

**Question 1** (Leibniz Integral Rule). Let  $E \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{R})$  and let  $f : E \times [c, d] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be such that

- (I) for each  $t \in [c, d]$ , the function  $g_t : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $g(x) = f(x, t)$  is Lebesgue integrable,
- (II) for almost every  $x \in E$ , the function  $h_x : (c, d) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $h_x(t) = f(x, t)$  is differentiable on  $(c, d)$ , and
- (III) there exists a Lebesgue integrable function  $\theta : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $|h'_x(t)| \leq \theta(x)$  for all  $t \in (c, d)$  and almost every  $x \in E$ .

Then

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_E f(x, t) d\lambda(x) = \int_E \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(x, t) d\lambda(x)$$

for all  $t \in (c, d)$ .

**Solution.** To begin, let  $I : (c, d) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined by

$$I(t) = \int_E f(x, t) d\lambda(x)$$

for all  $t \in (c, d)$ . Therefore  $I$  is differentiable on  $(c, d)$  with

$$I'(t_0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{I(t_0 + h) - I(t_0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \int_E \frac{f(x, t_0 + h) - f(x, t_0)}{h} dt$$

for all  $t_0 \in (c, d)$  provided the limit exists.

Fix  $t_0 \in (c, d)$ . Suppose for the sake of a contradiction that the above limit does not exist or does not equal

$$\int_E \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(x, t_0) d\lambda(x).$$

Hence, there exists a sequence  $(h_n)_{n \geq 1}$  of non-zero real numbers such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} h_n = 0$  and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_E \frac{f(x, t_0 + h_n) - f(x, t_0)}{h_n} dt$$

either does not exist or does not equal  $\int_E \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(x, t_0) d\lambda(x)$ . For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $g_n : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined by

$$g_n(x) = \frac{f(x, t_0 + h_n) - f(x, t_0)}{h_n}$$

for all  $x \in E$ . Note that  $g_n$  is a Lebesgue integrable function by (I).

By (II) and the Mean Value Theorem, for almost every  $x \in E$  for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  there exists a  $t_{x,n} \in (c, d)$  such that

$$|g_n(x)| = \left| \frac{f(x, t_0 + h_n) - f(x, t_0)}{h_n} \right| = |h'_x(t_{x,n})|.$$

Therefore (III) implies that

$$|g_n(x)| \leq \theta(x)$$

for almost every  $x \in E$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore, since

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_n(x) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(x, t_0)$$

for almost every  $x \in E$  and since  $\theta$  is Lebesgue integrable, we obtain by the Dominated Convergence Theorem that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_E \frac{f(x, t_0 + h_n) - f(x, t_0)}{h_n} dt &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_E g_n(x) dt \\ &= \int_E \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_n(x) dt \\ &= \int_E \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(x, t_0) dt. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have a contradiction so the result follows.

**Question 2.** Recall that a function  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is said to be *Lipschitz* if there exists a constant  $K$  such that

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq K|x - y|$$

for all  $x, y \in [a, b]$ .

Prove that an absolutely continuous function  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is Lipschitz if and only if  $|f'| \in L_\infty([a, b], \lambda)$ .

**Solution.** Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be an absolutely continuous function. Assume  $f$  is Lipschitz. Hence there exists a constant  $K$  such that

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq K|x - y|$$

for all  $x, y \in [a, b]$ . Since  $f$  is absolutely continuous,  $f$  is differentiable on  $[a, b]$ . Moreover, by the Lipschitz condition, for all  $x \in (a, b)$

$$|f'(x)| = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|f(x+h) - f(x)|}{|h|} \leq \limsup_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{K|(x+h) - x|}{|h|} = \limsup_{h \rightarrow 0} K = K.$$

Hence  $f' \in L_\infty([a, b], \lambda)$  with  $\|f'\|_\infty \leq K$ .

Conversely, assume  $|f'| \in L_\infty([a, b], \lambda)$ . Since  $f$  is absolutely continuous, the second Fundamental Theorem of Calculus implies for all  $x \in [a, b]$  that

$$f(x) = f(a) + \int_{[a, x]} f' d\lambda.$$

Thus for all  $x, y \in [a, b]$  with  $y \leq x$  we have that

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x) - f(y)| &= \left| \int_{[a, x]} f' d\lambda - \int_{[a, y]} f' d\lambda \right| \\ &= \left| \int_{[y, x]} f' d\lambda \right| \\ &\leq \int_{[y, x]} |f'| d\lambda \\ &\leq \int_{[y, x]} \|f'\|_\infty d\lambda \\ &= \|f'\|_\infty |x - y|. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $f$  is Lipschitz with constant  $\|f'\|_\infty$ .

**Question 3.** Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a strictly increasing, absolutely continuous function.

- a) Prove that if  $G$  is a  $G_\delta$ -subset of  $(a, b)$ , then  $f(G)$  is Lebesgue measurable and  $\lambda(f(G)) = \int_G f' d\lambda$ .
- b) Prove that if  $A \subseteq [a, b]$  is Lebesgue measurable with  $\lambda(A) = 0$  then  $\lambda(f(A)) = 0$ .
- c) Let  $c = f(a)$  and  $d = f(b)$ . Prove that if  $g : [c, d] \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  is Borel, then

$$\int_{[c, d]} g d\lambda = \int_{[a, b]} (g \circ f) f' d\lambda.$$

**Solution.**

a) Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a strictly increasing, absolutely continuous function. Hence  $f'$  exists,  $f' \geq 0$ , and the second Fundamental Theorem of Calculus implies that

$$f(x) = f(a) + \int_{[a, x]} f' d\lambda$$

for all  $x \in [a, b]$ .

Consider  $(c, d) \subseteq (a, b)$ . Since  $f$  is a strictly increasing continuous function, the Intermediate Value Theorem implies that

$$f((c, d)) = (f(c), f(d)).$$

Hence  $f((c, d))$  is Lebesgue measurable and

$$\lambda(f((c, d))) = f(d) - f(c) = \int_{[a, d]} f' d\lambda - \int_{[a, c]} f' d\lambda = \int_{(c, d)} f' d\lambda$$

(as the Lebesgue integral over a singleton is zero). Hence the result holds for open intervals.

Next, assume  $U \subseteq (a, b)$  is an open set. Hence  $U$  is a countable union of pairwise disjoint open intervals, say  $\{(c_k, d_k)\}_{k=1}^\infty$ , contained in  $(a, b)$ . Since  $f$  is a strictly increasing function,  $f$  is injective on  $(a, b)$  so  $\{f((c_k, d_k))\}_{k=1}^\infty$  is a countable collection of disjoint sets with union  $f(U)$ . Hence  $f(U)$  is Lebesgue measurable by the previous paragraph. Therefore, since  $\nu : \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  defined by  $\nu(A) = \int_A f' d\lambda$  for all  $A \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{R})$  is a measure (as  $f' \geq 0$ ), we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(f(U)) &= \lambda\left(\bigcup_{k=1}^\infty f((c_k, d_k))\right) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^\infty \lambda(f((c_k, d_k))) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^\infty \int_{(c_k, d_k)} f' d\lambda \\ &= \int_{\bigcup_{k=1}^\infty (c_k, d_k)} f' d\lambda \\ &= \int_U f' d\lambda. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, let  $G \subseteq (a, b)$  be an arbitrary  $G_\delta$  set. Hence there exists a countable collection  $\{U_k\}_{k=1}^\infty$  of open subsets of  $(a, b)$  such that  $G = \bigcap_{k=1}^\infty U_k$ . Hence

$$f(G) = \bigcap_{k=1}^\infty f(U_k)$$

since  $f$  is injective. Hence  $f(G)$  is Lebesgue measurable by the previous paragraph. Since  $\lambda(f((a, b))) \leq \lambda([f(a), f(b)]) < \infty$  as  $f$  is a strictly increasing continuous function, and since

$$\nu([a, b]) = \int_{[a, b]} f' d\lambda = f(b) - f(a) < \infty$$

by the Second Fundamental Theorem of Calculus, we obtain by the Monotone Convergence Theorem for measures that

$$\begin{aligned}
\lambda(f(G)) &= \lambda\left(\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} f(U_k)\right) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda\left(\bigcap_{k=1}^n U_k\right) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\bigcap_{k=1}^n U_k} f' d\lambda \\
&= \int_G f' d\lambda
\end{aligned}$$

since  $\bigcap_{k=1}^n U_k$  is an open set for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Hence the result is complete.

b) Let  $A \subseteq [a, b]$  be a Lebesgue measurable subset such that  $\lambda(A) = 0$ . Since the Lebesgue measure of any singleton is zero, we can assume that  $A \subseteq (a, b)$ . By Assignment 1, Question 3 there exists a  $G_\delta$ -subset  $G$  of  $\mathbb{R}$  such that  $A \subseteq G$  and  $\lambda(G \setminus A) = 0$ . Therefore

$$\lambda(G) = \lambda(G \setminus A) + \lambda(A) = 0.$$

Hence  $\lambda(f(G)) = 0$  by part a). Therefore, since  $f(A) \subseteq f(G)$ , we obtain that  $\lambda^*(f(A)) = 0$  by monotonicity.

c) First, we claim that if  $A \subseteq [a, b]$  is Lebesgue measurable, then  $f(A)$  is Lebesgue measurable and  $\lambda(f(A)) = \int_A f' d\lambda$ . To see this, let  $A \subseteq [a, b]$  be an arbitrary Lebesgue measurable set. By Assignment 1, Question 3 there exists a  $G_\delta$ -subset  $G$  of  $\mathbb{R}$  such that  $A \subseteq G$  and  $\lambda(G \setminus A) = 0$ . Therefore

$$\lambda(G) = \lambda(G \setminus A) + \lambda(A) = \lambda(A),$$

$f(G \setminus A)$  is Lebesgue measurable by part b) and the fact that  $\lambda$  is complete, and  $\lambda(f(G \setminus A)) = 0$  by part b). Since

$$f(G) = f(A) \cup f(G \setminus A) \quad \text{and} \quad f(A) \cap f(G \setminus A) = \emptyset$$

as  $f$  is injective, we see  $f(A) = f(G) \setminus f(G \setminus A)$  is Lebesgue measurable by part a), and

$$\begin{aligned}
\lambda(f(A)) &= \lambda(A) + \lambda(f(G \setminus A)) \\
&= \lambda(f(G)) \\
&= \int_G f' d\lambda \\
&= \int_A f' d\lambda + \int_{G \setminus A} f' d\lambda \\
&= \int_A f' d\lambda
\end{aligned}$$

by part a) since  $\lambda(G \setminus A) = 0$  implies  $\int_{G \setminus A} f' d\lambda = 0$ . Hence the claim is complete.

For the main result, let  $c = f(a)$  and  $d = f(b)$  and let  $g : [c, d] \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  be Borel. First assume that  $g = \chi_A$  for some Borel set  $A \subseteq [c, d]$ . Hence

$$\int_{[a,b]} (g \circ f) f' d\lambda = \int_{[a,b]} (\chi_A \circ f) f' d\lambda = \int_{\{x \mid f(x) \in A\}} f' d\lambda = \lambda(f(\{x \mid f(x) \in A\})) = \lambda(A) = \int_{[c,d]} g d\lambda$$

as desired (note we needed  $A$  Borel here so that  $\{x \mid f(x) \in A\}$  is Lebesgue measurable). Therefore, by the linearity of the integral and by the linearity of  $g \circ f$  in  $g$ , the above implies that

$$\int_{[c,d]} g d\lambda = \int_{[a,b]} (g \circ f) f' d\lambda$$

for all simple Borel functions  $g$ .

To see the final result, let  $g : [c, d] \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  be Borel. Hence there exists a sequence  $(\varphi_n)_{n \geq 1}$  of simple Borel functions such that  $\varphi_n \leq \varphi_{n+1}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $(\varphi_n)_{n \geq 1}$  converges pointwise to  $g$ . Hence  $(\varphi_n \circ f)$  is an increasing sequence of Borel functions that converges to  $g \circ f$  pointwise. Therefore, by two applications of the Monotone Convergence Theorem and the above case, we obtain that

$$\int_{[c,d]} g \, d\lambda = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{[c,d]} \varphi_n \, d\lambda = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{[a,b]} (\varphi_n \circ f) f' \, d\lambda = \int_{[a,b]} (g \circ f) f' \, d\lambda$$

as desired.

**Question 4.** A monotone function  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is said to be *singular* if  $f' = 0$   $\lambda$ -almost everywhere.

- a) Prove that any non-decreasing function on  $[a, b]$  is the sum of an absolutely continuous non-decreasing function and a singular non-decreasing function.
- b) Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a non-decreasing singular function. Prove that  $f$  has the following property: (S)  
For all  $\epsilon, \delta > 0$  there exists

$$a \leq a_1 < b_1 \leq a_2 < b_2 \leq \cdots \leq a_n < b_n \leq b$$

such that

$$\sum_{k=1}^n |b_k - a_k| < \delta \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{k=1}^n |f(b_k) - f(a_k)| > f(b) - f(a) - \epsilon.$$

- c) Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a non-decreasing function with property (S) from part b). Use part a) to prove that  $f$  is singular.
- d) Let  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be a sequence of non-decreasing singular functions on  $[a, b]$  such that the function  $f$  defined for all  $x \in [a, b]$  by

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x)$$

is finite everywhere. Prove that  $f$  is singular.

- e) Show that there exists a strictly increasing, singular, continuous function on  $[0, 1]$ .

**Solution.**

- a) Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a non-decreasing function. Hence  $f$  is differentiable  $\lambda$ -almost everywhere with  $f'$  Lebesgue measurable by the Lebesgue Differentiation Theorem. Define  $F : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$F(x) = \int_{[a, x]} f' d\lambda$$

for all  $x \in [a, b]$ . Hence  $F$  is absolutely continuous with derivative  $f'$   $\lambda$ -almost everywhere by the first Fundamental Theorem of Calculus. Moreover, since  $f$  is non-decreasing,  $f' \geq 0$   $\lambda$ -almost everywhere and thus  $F$  is non-decreasing.

Define  $g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $g = f - F$  so that  $f = F + g$ . However, since  $g$  is the difference of two  $\lambda$ -almost everywhere differentiable functions,  $g$  is differentiable  $\lambda$ -almost everywhere with  $g' = f' - F' = 0$   $\lambda$ -almost everywhere. Hence  $g$  is singular. Finally, to see that  $g$  is non-decreasing, let  $x, y \in [a, b]$  with  $x < y$ . Then, by the Lebesgue Differentiation Theorem,

$$g(y) - g(x) = f(y) - f(x) - (F(y) - F(x)) = f(y) - f(x) - \int_{[x, y]} f' d\lambda \geq 0.$$

Hence  $g$  is non-decreasing thereby completing the proof.

- b) Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a non-decreasing singular function. Hence  $f'$  Lebesgue measurable with  $f' = 0$   $\lambda$ -almost everywhere. Let

$$X = \{x \in (a, b) \mid f'(x) \text{ exists and } f'(x) = 0\}.$$

Since  $f'$  is Lebesgue measurable with  $f' = 0$   $\lambda$ -almost everywhere, we know that  $X$  is measurable and  $\lambda(X) = b - a$ .

To see that  $f$  has property (S), let  $\epsilon, \delta > 0$  be arbitrary. Using the definition of  $X$  together with the fact that  $f$  is non-decreasing, for each  $y \in X$  and  $\delta_0 > 0$  there exists a  $0 < h < \delta_0$  such that  $(y, y + h) \subseteq (a, b)$  and  $f(y + h) - f(y) < \frac{\epsilon}{b-a} h$ . Since the collection of such intervals forms a Vitali covering of  $X$ , the Vitali Covering Lemma implies there exists an  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and a collection of open intervals  $\{I_k\}_{k=1}^n$  such that if  $I_k = (b_k, a_{k+1}) \subseteq (a, b)$  for all  $k \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ,  $a_{k+1} \leq b_{k+1}$  for all  $k$  (by reordering the intervals if necessary),

$$f(a_{k+1}) - f(b_k) < \frac{\epsilon}{b-a} (a_{k+1} - b_k),$$

for all  $k$ , and

$$\lambda \left( X \setminus \bigcup_{k=1}^n (b_k, a_{k+1}) \right) < \delta.$$

By setting  $a_1 = a$  and  $b_{n+1} = b$ , we obtain that

$$a = a_1 < b_1 \leq a_2 < b_2 \leq \cdots \leq a_{n+1} < b_{n+1} = b$$

since  $b_1 > a$  and  $a_{n+1} < b$ . Moreover

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} |b_k - a_k| = \lambda \left( [a, b] \setminus \bigcup_{k=1}^n (b_k, a_{k+1}) \right) = \lambda \left( X \setminus \bigcup_{k=1}^n (b_k, a_{k+1}) \right) < \delta.$$

since  $\lambda([a, b] \setminus X) = 0$ . Finally, since  $f$  is non-decreasing, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} |f(b_k) - f(a_k)| &= \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} f(b_k) - f(a_k) \\ &= f(b) - f(a) - \sum_{k=1}^n f(a_{k+1}) - f(b_k) \\ &> f(b) - f(a) - \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\epsilon}{b-a} (a_{k+1} - b_k) \\ &> f(b) - f(a) - \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

as  $\sum_{k=1}^n a_{k+1} - b_k < b - a$ . Hence the proof is complete.

c) Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a non-decreasing function with property (S). To see that  $f$  is singular, let  $F, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be as in the solution to part a). Therefore, since  $f = F + g$  and  $g$  is singular, it suffices to show that  $F = 0$ .

Let  $\epsilon > 0$  be arbitrary. Let  $\delta > 0$  be as in the definition of absolute continuity for  $F$ .

Since  $f$  has property (S), there exists

$$a \leq a_1 < b_1 \leq a_2 < b_2 \leq \cdots \leq a_n < b_n \leq b$$

such that

$$\sum_{k=1}^n |b_k - a_k| < \delta \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{k=1}^n |f(b_k) - f(a_k)| > f(b) - f(a) - \epsilon.$$

Hence, by our choice of  $\delta$ , we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} &(F(b) - F(a)) + (g(b) - g(a)) - \epsilon \\ &= f(b) - f(a) - \epsilon \\ &< \sum_{k=1}^n |f(b_k) - f(a_k)| \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n |(F(b_k) - F(a_k)) + (g(b_k) - g(a_k))| \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n (F(b_k) - F(a_k)) + (g(b_k) - g(a_k)) && \text{since } F \text{ and } g \text{ are non-decreasing} \\ &\leq \epsilon + \sum_{k=1}^n g(b_k) - g(a_k) && \text{by the choice of } \delta \\ &\leq \epsilon + g(b) - g(a) && \text{since } g \text{ is non-decreasing.} \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $F(b) - F(a) < 2\epsilon$ . Therefore, since  $\epsilon > 0$  was arbitrary, we obtain that  $F(b) = F(a)$ . Hence, since  $F$  is non-decreasing and  $F(a) = 0$ ,  $F = 0$  as desired.



d) Let  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be a sequence of non-decreasing singular functions on  $[a, b]$  such that the function  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined for all  $x \in [a, b]$  by

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x)$$

is finite everywhere. To show that  $f$  is singular, note  $f$  is clearly non-decreasing so it suffices to show that  $f$  satisfies property (S) by part c).

To see that  $f$  has property (S), let  $\epsilon, \delta > 0$  be arbitrary. Since  $f(a)$  and  $f(b)$  are finite, there exists an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\left| f(a) - \sum_{n=1}^N f_n(a) \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{3} \quad \text{and} \quad \left| f(b) - \sum_{n=1}^N f_n(b) \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{3}.$$

Consider  $g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$g(x) = \sum_{n=1}^N f_n(x)$$

for all  $x \in [a, b]$ . Since each  $f_k$  is non-decreasing,  $g$  is non-decreasing. Moreover, since  $f'_n = 0$  almost everywhere, we have by taking a finite sum of limits that  $g' = 0$  almost everywhere. Hence  $g$  is singular so there exists

$$a \leq a_1 < b_1 \leq a_2 < b_2 \leq \cdots \leq a_m < b_m \leq b$$

such that

$$\sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^m f_n(b_k) - f_n(a_k) = \sum_{k=1}^m g(b_k) - g(a_k) = \sum_{k=1}^m |g(b_k) - g(a_k)| > g(b) - g(a) - \frac{\epsilon}{3} = \sum_{n=1}^N f_n(b) - f_n(a) - \frac{\epsilon}{3}.$$

Therefore, since each  $f_n$  is non-negative and thus  $f$  is non-negative, we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n |f(b_k) - f(a_k)| &= \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} f_m(b_k) - f_m(a_k) \\ &\geq \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{m=1}^N f_m(b_k) - f_m(a_k) && \text{since } f_m(b_k) - f_m(a_k) \geq 0 \text{ for all } m \\ &> \left( \sum_{m=1}^N f_m(b) - f_m(a) \right) - \frac{\epsilon}{3} \\ &> \left( \sum_{m=1}^N f_m(b) \right) - \left( \sum_{m=1}^N f_m(a) \right) - \frac{\epsilon}{3} \\ &> \left( f(b) - \frac{\epsilon}{3} \right) - \left( f(a) + \frac{\epsilon}{3} \right) - \frac{\epsilon}{3} \\ &= f(b) - f(a) - \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, since  $\epsilon, \delta > 0$  were arbitrary,  $f$  has property (S) and thus is singular.

e) Let  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  denote the Cantor ternary function. Define  $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1]$  by

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & \text{if } x \in [0, 1] \\ 0 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases}.$$

Clearly  $g$  is a non-decreasing continuous function on  $\mathbb{R}$  that is differentiable  $\lambda$ -almost everywhere on  $\mathbb{R}$  with  $g' = 0$   $\lambda$ -almost everywhere.

Let  $\{r_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  be an enumeration of the countable set  $\mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1]$  and define  $G : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  by

$$G(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} g(x - r_n).$$

Since clearly this sum converges uniformly on  $[0, 1]$ , we see that  $G$  is a continuous function on  $[0, 1]$ . Moreover, since  $g$  is singular and translations of singular functions is singular, we obtain via part d) that  $G$  is singular. Finally, if  $x, y \in [0, 1]$  are such that  $x < y$ , then there exists an  $r_k \in \mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1]$  such that  $x < r_k < y$ . Therefore

$$0 = \frac{1}{2^k} g(x - r_k) < \frac{1}{2^k} g(y - r_k)$$

so, since  $g$  is non-decreasing, we obtain that  $G(x) < G(y)$ . Hence  $G$  is a continuous, strictly increasing singular function on  $[0, 1]$ .