

4.5 The Fundamental Theorem of Calculus

Lemma: Let $f: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be Lebesgue integrable. Let $F: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

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

If F is non-decreasing, then $f \geq 0$ almost everywhere.

Corollary: If F is constant, then $f = 0$ almost everywhere.

Proof: Use Lemma for f and $-f$.

Proof of Lemma: Assume for a contradiction that $f \not\equiv 0$ almost everywhere. Then

$$X = \{x \in [a,b] : f(x) < 0\} \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{R})$$

and $\lambda(X) > 0$. By inner regularity, there exists $K \subseteq X \subseteq [a,b]$ compact such that $\lambda(K) > 0$.

Let $V = (a,b) \setminus K$ which is open. Then

$$\begin{aligned} F(b) - F(a) &= \int_{[a,b]} f d\lambda \\ &= \int_{K \cup V} f d\lambda \\ &= \underbrace{\int_K f d\lambda}_{< 0} + \int_V f d\lambda \\ &< \int_V f d\lambda \end{aligned}$$

Since V is open, $V = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n, b_n)$ where $(a_n, b_n) \cap (a_m, b_m) = \emptyset$ if $n \neq m$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \int_V f d\lambda &= \int_{\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n, b_n)} f d\lambda \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{(a_n, b_n)} f d\lambda \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (F(b_n) - F(a_n)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq F(b) - F(a)$$

as F is non-decreasing, which is absurd. \square

Theorem: (Fundamental Theorem of Calculus, I). Let $f \in L[a, b]$ be real-valued and let $F : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

$$F(x) = \int_{[a, x]} f \, dx$$

Then $F' = f$ almost everywhere.

Proof: Because F is absolutely continuous, then F' exists a.e. and is Lebesgue measurable.

Case 1: f is bounded

Let $M > 0$ such that $|f(x)| \leq M$ for all $x \in [a, b]$. For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let $F_n : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$F_n(x) = \frac{F(x + \frac{1}{n}) - F(x)}{\frac{1}{n}} = n \int_{[x, x + \frac{1}{n}]} f \, dx.$$

Extend f to \mathbb{R} by $f(x) = f(b)$ for all $x \geq b$ and also $f(x) = f(a)$ for all $x \leq a$. Note f is still absolutely continuous.

Note F_n is measurable for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $F_n \rightarrow F'$ pointwise almost everywhere as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Since f is bounded

$$\begin{aligned} |F_n(x)| &= n \left| \int_{[x, x + \frac{1}{n}]} f \, dx \right| \leq n \int_{[x, x + \frac{1}{n}]} |f| \, dx \\ &\leq n \int_{[x, x + \frac{1}{n}]} M \, dx \leq M. \end{aligned}$$

so $|F_n| \leq M$, so F' and F are integrable. By the Dominated Convergence, we have for all $c \in [a, b]$ that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{[a, c]} F' \, dx &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{[a, c]} F_n \, dx \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \int_{[a, c]} F(x + \frac{1}{n}) - F(x) \, dx \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \int_{[c, c + \frac{1}{n}]} F \, dx - n \int_{[a, a + \frac{1}{n}]} F \, dx \end{aligned}$$

Claim: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{[c, c+\frac{1}{n}]} F d\lambda = F(c).$

Indeed, because F is continuous, for all $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that if $x \in [c, c+\frac{1}{n}]$ for all $n \geq N$ then $|F(x) - F(c)| < \epsilon$. Hence, for all $n \geq N$

$$\begin{aligned} |F(c) - \int_{[c, c+\frac{1}{n}]} F d\lambda| &= \left| n \int_{[c, c+\frac{1}{n}]} F(c) d\lambda - n \int_{[c, c+\frac{1}{n}]} F d\lambda \right| \\ &= n \left| \int_{[c, c+\frac{1}{n}]} F(c) - F(x) d\lambda(x) \right| \\ &\leq n \int_{[c, c+\frac{1}{n}]} |F(c) - F(x)| d\lambda(x) \\ &< n \left(\frac{1}{n} \cdot \epsilon \right) \\ &= \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{[a, a+\frac{1}{n}]} F d\lambda = F(a)$. Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{[a, c]} F' d\lambda &= F(c) - F(a) \\ &= \int_{[a, c]} f d\lambda \end{aligned}$$

Since F' and F are integrable, we have

$$\int_{[a, c]} F' - f d\lambda = 0 \quad \text{for all } c \in [a, b]$$

By the corollary, $F' - f = 0 \Rightarrow F' = f$ almost everywhere.

Case 2: If $f \geq 0$ almost everywhere

For all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let $f_n = \min\{f, n\}$. Then $f_n: [a, b] \rightarrow [0, n]$ and is measurable being the infimum of measurable functions. Moreover, $f_n \rightarrow f$ pointwise and $0 \leq f_n \leq f$ so $f_n \in L^1[a, b]$.

For all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $x \in [a, b]$, let

$$F_n(x) = \int_{[a, x]} f_n d\lambda \quad \text{and} \quad G_n(x) = \int_{[a, x]} f_n - F d\lambda.$$

Since f and f_n are integrable, F_n, G_n are well-defined. $F = F_n + G_n$, and F_n and G_n are absolutely continuous, differentiable a.e. with $F' = F'_n + G'_n$ a.e.

By Case 1, $F'_n = f_n$. Since $f - f_n \geq 0$ $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, G_n is non-decreasing so $G'_n \geq 0$ a.e. \rightarrow and G'_n is integrable, so is F' . By Lebesgue Differentiation Theorem, $F' \geq f_n$ a.e. So $F' \geq f$ a.e., so

$$0 \leq \int_{[a,x]} F' - f \, d\lambda = \int_{[a,x]} F' \, d\lambda - \int_{[a,x]} f \, d\lambda \\ = \int_{[a,x]} F' \, d\lambda - F(x) \leq F(x) - F(a) - F(x) = 0$$

$$\text{so } \int_{[a,x]} F' - f \, d\lambda = 0, \text{ so } F' = f \text{ a.e.}$$

Case 3: If $f : [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

Write $f = f_+ - f_-$ with f_+, f_- nonnegative and integrable

Theorem: (Fundamental Theorem of Calculus, II) If $F : [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is absolutely continuous, then \square

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

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

Proof: Because F is absolutely continuous, F' exists a.e. and $F' \in L^1[a,b]$. Define $G : [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

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

Then G is absolutely continuous, by I, $G' = F$, so $G' - F$ is absolutely continuous, and $(G - F)' = 0$ a.e. So $G - F$ is constant, so

$$G(x) - F(x) = G(a) - F(a) = -F(a)$$

Signed Measures

Definition: let (X, \mathcal{A}) be a measurable space. A signed measure is a function $\nu: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ such that

① $\nu(\emptyset) = 0$

② $\text{Range}(\nu) \subseteq (-\infty, \infty]$ or $\text{Range}(\nu) \subseteq [-\infty, \infty)$.

③ If $\{A_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$ are pairwise disjoint, then

(a) $\nu\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \nu(A_n) = \pm \infty$,

(b) $|\nu\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right)| < \infty$, then $\nu\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \nu(A_n) < \infty$.

Example:

① Measures are signed measures

② If μ_1, \dots, μ_n are finite measures and $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in \mathbb{R}$ then
 $\nu = \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k \mu_k$ is a signed measure.

③ Let (X, \mathcal{A}, μ) be a measure space and let $f \in L_1(X)$ be real-valued. Then $\nu: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$

$$\nu(A) = \int_A f d\mu$$

is a signed measure.

Remark: $\nu(A) = \int_A f d\mu$ can be written as a linear combination of finite measures. Let

$$\mu_{\pm}(A) = \int_A f_{\pm} d\mu.$$

$$\text{Then } \nu = \mu_+ - \mu_-$$