

Mathematical Analysis II

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Returning to the proof of ??, we can assume g is continuous with compact support,

$$\frac{1}{m(B)} \int_B |f(y) - g(y)| dy \leq M(f - g)(x)$$

Hence by taking B sufficiently small s.t. $|g(y) - g(x)| \leq \varepsilon_0$ for all $x, y \in B$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{m(B)} \int_B f(y) dy &\geq 3\varepsilon_0 \\ \iff |f(x) - g(x)| + M(f - g)(x) &\geq 2\varepsilon_0. \end{aligned}$$

But

$$m\{|f(x) - g(x)| \geq \varepsilon_0\} + m\{M(f - g) > \varepsilon_0\} \leq \frac{\|f - g\|_{\mathcal{L}^1}}{\varepsilon_0} + \frac{3^d}{\varepsilon_0} \|f - g\|_{\mathcal{L}^1} \leq \frac{3^d + 1}{\varepsilon_0} \varepsilon.$$

This completes the proof.

Definition 0.1 (Lebesgue points). Let $|f(x)| < \infty$, f is *locally integrable*. If x satisfies

$$\lim_{|B| \rightarrow 0, B \ni x} \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |f(y) - f(x)| dy = 0,$$

we say x is a **Lebesgue point** of f .

Remark 0.2 — Here “locally integrable” means for all bounded measurable sets E , $f\chi_E \in \mathcal{L}^1$. This is denoted by $f \in \mathcal{L}_{loc}^1$.

Let E be a measurable set, χ_E locally integrable, If point x is called a **density point** of E if it's a Lebesgue point of χ_E .

Theorem 0.3

Let E be a measurable set, then almost all the points in E are density points of E , almost all the points outside of E are not density points of E .

Proof. This is a direct corollary of ??.

□

The differentiation theorem has some applications in convolution:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B f(y) \, dy &= c_d^{-1} \varepsilon^{-d} \int_{B(x, \varepsilon)} f(y) \, dy \\ &= \int f(x-y) \cdot c_d^{-1} \varepsilon^{-d} \chi_{B(0, \varepsilon)}(y) \, dy \\ &= f * K_\varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

where $K_\varepsilon = c_d^{-1} \varepsilon^{-d} \chi_{B(0, \varepsilon)}$, c_d is the measure of a unit sphere in \mathbb{R}^d .

By differentiation theorem, $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} f * K_\varepsilon = f(x)$, *a.e.*. In the homework we proved that there doesn't exist a function I s.t. $f * I = f$ for all $f \in \mathcal{L}^1$, but the functions K_ε is approximating this “convolution identity”.

Definition 0.4. In general, if $\int K_\varepsilon = 1$, $|K_\varepsilon| \leq A \min\{\varepsilon^{-d}, \varepsilon|x|^{-d-1}\}$ for some constant A , we say K_ε is an **approximation to the identity**.

“convolution kernel”

Let φ be a smooth function whose support is in $\{|x| \leq 1\}$, and $\int \varphi = 1$. The function $K_\varepsilon := \varepsilon^{-d} \varphi(\varepsilon^{-1}x)$ is called the Friedrichs smoothing kernel.

Theorem 0.5

If K_ε is an approximation to the identity, f integrable,

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \|f * K_\varepsilon - f\|_{\mathcal{L}^1} = 0.$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} |(f * K_\varepsilon)(x) - f(x)| &= \left| \int f(x-y) K_\varepsilon(y) \, dy - f(x) \right| \\ &\leq \int |f(x-y) - f(x)| |K_\varepsilon(y)| \, dy \\ &\leq \int_{|y| \leq R} |f(x-y) - f(x)| A \varepsilon^{-d} \, dy + \int_{|y| > R} |f(x-y) - f(x)| A \varepsilon |y|^{-d-1} \, dy. \end{aligned}$$

Taking the integral over \mathbb{R}^d :

$$\begin{aligned} &\|K_\varepsilon * f - f\|_{\mathcal{L}^1} \\ &\leq A \varepsilon^{-d} \int \int_{|y| \leq R} |f(x-y) - f(x)| \, dy \, dx + A \varepsilon \int \int_{|y| > R} |f(x-y) - f(x)| |y|^{-d-1} \, dy \, dx \\ &\leq A \varepsilon^{-d} \int \int_{|y| \leq R} |\tau_{-y} f(x) - f(x)| \, dy \, dx + A \varepsilon \int_{|y| > R} |y|^{-d-1} \int |\tau_{-y} f(x)| + |f(x)| \, dx \, dy \\ &\leq A \varepsilon^{-d} \int_{|y| \leq R} \|\tau_{-y} f - f\|_{\mathcal{L}^1} \, dy + A \varepsilon \int_{|y| > R} |y|^{-d-1} 2 \|f\|_{\mathcal{L}^1} \, dy. \end{aligned}$$

By the continuity of translation, $\forall \varepsilon_0$, let R be sufficiently small we have

$$\|\tau_{-y} f - f\|_{\mathcal{L}^1} < \varepsilon_0, \forall |y| < R.$$

$$\|K_\varepsilon * f - f\|_{\mathcal{L}^1} \leq A\varepsilon^{-d} R^d c_d \varepsilon_0 + \varepsilon R^{-1} C$$

where C is a constant.

Take suitable $\varepsilon, \varepsilon_0$ s.t. $R = \varepsilon \varepsilon_0^{-\frac{1}{2d}}$, then $LHS \leq C_1 \varepsilon_0^{\frac{1}{2}} + C_2 \varepsilon_0^{\frac{1}{2d}} \rightarrow 0$. \square

Theorem 0.6

Let K_ε be an approximation to the identity, f integrable,

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} f * K_\varepsilon = f(x)$$

holds for Lebesgue points x of f .

Proof. WLOG $x = 0$, let

$$\omega(r) = \frac{1}{r^d} \int_{B(0,r)} |f(y) - f(0)| \, dy,$$

we have $\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \omega(r) = 0$, and ω is continuous.

$$\omega(r) \leq \frac{\|f\|_{\mathcal{L}^1}}{r^d} + |f(0)|,$$

Thus ω is bounded.

Therefore we can compute

$$\begin{aligned} |K_\varepsilon * f(x) - f(x)| &\leq \int |K_\varepsilon(y)| |f(x-y) - f(x)| \, dy \\ &\leq \int_{B(0,r)} |K_\varepsilon(y)| |f(x-y) - f(x)| \, dy + \sum_{k \geq 0} \int_{2^k r \leq |y| < 2^{k+1} r} |K_\varepsilon(y)| |f(x-y) - f(x)| \, dy \\ &\leq A\varepsilon^{-d} \cdot r^d \omega(r) + \sum_{k \geq 0} \int_{2^k r \leq |y| < 2^{k+1} r} A\varepsilon |y|^{-d-1} |f(x-y) - f(x)| \, dy \\ &\leq A\varepsilon^{-d} r^d \omega(r) + \sum_{k \geq 0} A\varepsilon 2^{-k(d+1)} r^{-d-1} \cdot 2^{(k+1)d} r^d \omega(2^{k+1} r) \\ &= A\varepsilon^{-d} r^d \omega(r) + A2^d \varepsilon r^{-1} \sum_{k \geq 0} 2^{-k} \omega(2^{k+1} r). \end{aligned}$$

Let $r = \varepsilon$, since $\omega(r)$ is continuous and bounded, we're done. \square

§0.1 Lebesgue Differentiation theorem part 2

Recall that Fundamental theorem of Calculus has a second part, Given any differentiable function $F(x)$, if $F'(x)$ Riemann integrable, then

$$F(b) - F(a) = \int_a^b F'(x) \, dx.$$

When F has nice properties (smooth), then it has a generalization to higher dimensions (Stokes' theorem).

But in Lebesgue integration theory, the derivative of a function is hard to define. Hence we'll find an alternative for $F'(x)$.

Example 0.7

Consider Heaviside function $H(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & t > 0 \\ 0, & t \leq 0 \end{cases}$

Then H is differentiable almost everywhere, but $\int_{-1}^1 H'(t) dt = 0 \neq H(1) - H(-1)$.

Example 0.8

Consider Cantor-Lebesgue function F , similarly we have $F'(x) = 0, a.e.$, but $\int_0^1 F'(x) dx = 0 \neq F(1) - F(0)$.

Definition 0.9 (Dini derivatives). Let $f(x)$ be a measurable function, define

$$D^+(f)(x) = \limsup_{h>0, h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}, \quad D^-(f)(x) = \limsup_{h<0, h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}.$$

$$D_+(f)(x) = \liminf_{h>0, h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}, \quad D_-(f)(x) = \liminf_{h<0, h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}.$$

Theorem 0.10 (Lebesgue Differentiation theorem for increasing functions)

Let f be an increasing function on $[a, b]$, then $F'(x)$ exists almost everywhere, and

$$\int_a^b F'(x) dx \leq F(b) - F(a).$$

Sketch of the proof. The outline of the proof is as follows:

Step 1: Decompose $F = F_c + J$, where F_c is continuous, J is a jump function.

Step 2: Prove F_c increasing and $J' = 0, a.e.$

Step 3: Prove $D^+(F) < +\infty, a.e.$, $D^+(F) \leq D_-(F), a.e.$, and $D^-(F) \leq D_+(F), a.e.$ □

We proceed step by step.

Step 1 Denote $F(x+0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} F(x+h)$, $F(x-0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} F(x+h)$.

Since F increasing, let $\{x_n\}$ be all the discontinuous points of F . Define:

$$j_n(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < x_n \\ \beta_n, & x = x_n \\ \alpha_n, & x > x_n \end{cases}$$

where $\alpha_n = F(x_n+0) - F(x_n-0)$, $\beta_n = F(x_n) - F(x_n-0)$.

Hence the jump function

$$J_F(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} j_n(x) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \alpha_n = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (F(x_n+0) - F(x_n-0)) \leq F(b) - F(a)$$

is well-defined and increasing.

Theorem 0.11

$F - J_F$ is continuous and increasing.

Proof. First note that

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} (F(x+h) - J_F(x+h)) = F(x+0) - \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} J_F(x+h) = F(x-0) - \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} J_F(x-h)$$

This can be derived from the definition of J_F : If F is continuous at x , the equality is obvious;

If $x = x_n$ for some n ,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} J_F(x+h) &= \sum_{x_k \leq x_n} \alpha_k + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \sum_{x_n < x_k \leq x_n+h} j_k(x+h) = \sum_{x_k \leq x_n} \alpha_k \\ \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} J_F(x-h) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \sum_{x_k < x_n-h} \alpha_k + \lim_{j \rightarrow 0^+} \sum_{x_k = x_n-h} \beta_k = \sum_{x_k < x_n} \alpha_k \end{aligned}$$

Note that $\alpha_n = F(x_n+0) - F(x_n-0)$, thus $F - J_F$ is continuous.

Secondly,

$$F(x) - J_F(x) \leq F(y) - J_F(y), \quad \forall a \leq x \leq y \leq b.$$

Because

$$J_F(y) - J_F(x) = \sum_{x < x_j < y} \alpha_j + \sum_{x_k = y} \beta_k - \sum_{x_k = x} \beta_k \leq \sum_{x < x_j < y} \alpha_j + F(y) - F(y-0) \leq F(y) - F(x).$$

which means $F - J_F$ is increasing. \square

Step 2**Proposition 0.12**

The jump function $J(x)$ is differentiable almost everywhere, and $J'(x) = 0, a.e..$

Proof. The Dini derivatives of $J(x)$ exist and are non-negative (since J is increasing).

$$\overline{D}(J)(x) = \max\{D^+(J)(x), D^-(J)(x)\}.$$

Let $E_\varepsilon = \{\overline{D}(J)(x) > \varepsilon > 0\}$. We'll prove E_ε is null for all ε . If $x \in E_\varepsilon$, $\exists h$ s.t.

$$\frac{J(x+h) - J(x)}{h} > \varepsilon \implies J(x+h) - J(x-h) > \varepsilon h.$$

Let $N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $\sum_{n>N} \alpha_n < \frac{\varepsilon \delta}{10}$. Define $J_N(x) = \sum_{n>N} j_n(x)$.

$$E_{\varepsilon, N} = \{\overline{D}(J_N)(x) > \varepsilon\}, \quad E_\varepsilon \subset E_{\varepsilon, N} \cup \{x_1, \dots, x_N\},$$

Since for $x \neq x_i$,

$$\overline{D}(J)(x) = \limsup_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{J(x+h) - J(x)}{h} = \limsup_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{J_N(x+h) - J_N(x)}{h} + \frac{1}{h} \sum_{n=1}^N (j_n(x+h) - j_n(x)) \right).$$

Lemma 0.13

Let \mathcal{B} be a collection of balls with bounded radius in \mathbb{R}^d . There exists countably many disjoint balls B_i s.t.

$$\bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{B}} B \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} 5B_i.$$

Proof. Let $r(B)$ denote the radius of B . Take B_1 s.t. $r(B_1) > \frac{1}{2} \sup_{B \in \mathcal{B}} r(B)$.

The rest is the same as before. □

By lemma, there exists countably many disjoint intervals $(x_i + h_i, x_i - h_i)$ s.t.

$$\begin{aligned} m^*(E_{\varepsilon, N}) &\leq 5 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} 2h_i \\ &\leq 10 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \varepsilon^{-1} (J_N(x_i + h_i) - J_N(x_i - h_i)) \\ &\leq 10\varepsilon^{-1} (J_N(b) - J_N(a)) < \delta. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $E_{\varepsilon, N}$ is a null set $\implies E_{\varepsilon}$ null, and at last $\overline{D}(J) = 0, a.e..$ □

Step 3 First we prove $D^+(F) < \infty, a.e..$

Let $E_{\gamma} = \{x : D^+(F)(x) > \gamma\}$.

When $h \in [\frac{1}{n+1}, \frac{1}{n}]$:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{F(x+h) - F(x)}{h} &\leq \frac{n+1}{n} \frac{F(x + \frac{1}{n}) - F(x)}{\frac{1}{n}}, \\ &\geq \frac{n}{n+1} \frac{F(x + \frac{1}{n+1}) - F(x)}{\frac{1}{n+1}}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$D^+(F)(x) = \limsup_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{F(x+h) - F(x)}{h} = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{F(x + \frac{1}{n}) - F(x)}{\frac{1}{n}}$$

is measurable.

Lemma 0.14 (Sunrise lemma)

Let $G(x)$ be a continuous function on \mathbb{R} . Define

$$E = \{x : \exists h > 0, G(x+h) > G(x)\}.$$

Then E is open and $E = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} (a_i, b_i)$, where (a_i, b_i) are disjoint finite intervals s.t. $G(a_i) = G(b_i)$.

When G is defined on finite interval $[a, b]$, we also have $G(a) \leq G(b_1)$.

Proof. E is open since G is continuous.

Take an interval (a, b) , by definition $a, b \notin E$, so $G(a) \geq G(b)$.

Since $b \notin E, G(x) \leq G(b), \forall x > b$. If $G(a) > G(b)$, Let $G(a + \varepsilon) > G(b)$, as $a + \varepsilon \in E$, exists $h > 0$ s.t. $G(a + \varepsilon + h) > G(a + \varepsilon)$.

But G has a maximum on $[a + \varepsilon, b]$, say $G(c)$, we must have $c \neq a + \varepsilon, b$. This leads to a contradiction. \square

For $x \in E_\gamma$, $\exists h > 0$ s.t. $F(x + h) - F(x) > \gamma h$, by Sunrise Lemma on $F(x) - \gamma x$,

$$m(E_\gamma) \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (b_k - a_k) \leq \gamma^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (F(b_k) - F(a_k)) \leq \gamma^{-1} (F(b) - F(a)).$$

Therefore when $\gamma \rightarrow \infty$, $m(E_\gamma) \rightarrow 0$.

The last part is $D^+(F) \leq D_-(F), a.e..$

Similarly let

$$E_{r,R} = \{D^+(F)(x) > R, D_-(F)(x) < r\}.$$

WLOG $E_{r,R} \subset [c, d]$, and $d - c < \frac{R}{r} m(E_{r,R})$.

Let $G(x) = F(-x) + rx$, by Sunrise Lemma on $[-d, -c]$,

$$\{s : \exists h > 0, G(x + h) > G(x)\} = \bigcup_k (-b_k, -a_k).$$

Note that $-E_{r,R}$ is contained in the above set, and $G(-b_k) \leq G(-a_k) \iff F(b_k) - F(a_k) \leq r(b_k - a_k)$,

We use Sunrise Lemma again on each (a_k, b_k) and $F(x) - Rx$,

$$E_{r,R} \cap (a_k, b_k) \subset \{x : \exists h > 0, F(x + h) - F(x) \geq Rh\} = \bigcup_{l=1}^{\infty} (a_{k,l}, b_{k,l}).$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} m(E_{r,R}) &\leq \sum_{k,l=1}^{\infty} (b_{k,l} - a_{k,l}) \\ &\leq R^{-1} \sum_{k,l=1}^{\infty} (F(b_{k,l}) - F(a_{k,l})) \leq R^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (F(b_k) - F(a_k)) \\ &\leq R^{-1} r \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (b_k - a_k) \leq R^{-1} r (d - c), \end{aligned}$$

which gives a contradiction!

Now we can complete the proof of [Theorem 0.10](#). Here we state the theorem again:

Let F be an increasing function on $[a, b]$, then F is differentiable almost everywhere, and

$$\int_a^b F'(x) dx \leq F(b) - F(a).$$

Let $F_n(x) = n(F(x + \frac{1}{n}) - F(x))$, Since $F_n \geq 0$, by Fatou's Lemma,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_a^b \liminf F_n \, dx &\leq \liminf \int_a^b F_n \, dx \\
 &= \int_a^b F'(x) \, dx \leq \liminf \int_a^b n \left(F\left(x + \frac{1}{n}\right) - F(x) \right) \, dx \\
 &= \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left(\int_{a+\frac{1}{n}}^{b+\frac{1}{n}} F(x) \, dx - \int_a^b F(x) \, dx \right) \\
 &= \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(F(b) - n \int_a^{a+\frac{1}{n}} F(x) \, dx \right) \\
 &\leq F(b) - F(a)
 \end{aligned}$$

§0.2 Absolute continuous functions

§1 Multi-dimensional Calculus

In this section we'll generalize the differentiation and integration theory to higher dimensions. Recall that Lebesgue integral is already defined on higher dimensions, so here we mainly study the differentiation of multi-dimensional functions.

Definition 1.1 (Absolute continuity). We say a function $F(x)$ is **absolutely continuous** on interval $[a, b]$, if $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$, such that for all disjoint intervals $(a_k, b_k), k = 1, \dots, N$ with

$$\sum_{k=1}^N (b_k - a_k) < \delta,$$

we must have

$$\sum_{k=1}^N |F(b_k) - F(a_k)| < \varepsilon.$$

The space consisting of all the absolutely continuous functions on $[a, b]$ is denoted by $Ac([a, b])$.

Example 1.2

A C^1 function with bounded derivative or a Lipschitz function is absolutely continuous.

Some obvious properties of absolutely continuous function F :

- F is continuous;
- F has bounded variation, i.e. $F \in BV$.
- F is differentiable almost everywhere, since $F = F_1 - F_2$, where F_1, F_2 are increasing.

In fact we have

$$T_F([a, b]) = \int_a^b |F'(x)| \, dx.$$

- If N is a null set, then $F(N)$ is also null. In particular F maps measurable sets to measurable sets.

Proof of the last property. Take intervals (a_k, b_k) s.t. $N \subset \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} (a_k, b_k)$. Since $F(N) \subset F(\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} (a_k, b_k))$,

$$|F(N)| \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |F([a_k, b_k])| \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |F(\tilde{b}_k) - F(\tilde{a}_k)| < \varepsilon.$$

□

Proposition 1.3

The space $Ac([a, b]) \subset BV([a, b])$, moreover it's an algebra, and it's a separable Banach space under the norm induced from BV .

Finally we come to the full generalization of Newton-Lebniz formula:

Theorem 1.4 (Fundamental theorem of Calculus)

A function $F \in Ac([a, b]) \implies F$ is differentiable almost everywhere, F' is integrable, and

$$F(x) - F(a) = \int_a^x F'(\tilde{x}) d\tilde{x}, \quad \forall x \in [a, b].$$

Proof. Let $\tilde{F}(x) = F(a) + \int_a^x F'(y) dy \in Ac([a, b])$ (by the absolute continuity of integrals).

We have $F - \tilde{F} \in Ac([a, b])$ and $(F - \tilde{F})' = 0, a.e..$

Thus it suffices to prove the following theorem:

Theorem 1.5

Let $F \in Ac([a, b])$, and $F' = 0, a.e.$, then $F(a) = F(b)$, i.e. F is constant on $[a, b]$.

□

To prove this, we'll need Vitali covering theorem:

Definition 1.6 (Vitali covering). Let $\mathcal{B} = \{B_\alpha\}$, where B_α is closed balls in \mathbb{R}^d . We say \mathcal{B} is a **Vitali covering** of a set E , if $\forall x \in E, \forall \eta > 0$, exists $B_\alpha \in \mathcal{B}$ s.t. $m(B_\alpha) < \eta, x \in B_\alpha$.

Theorem 1.7 (Vitali)

Let $E \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ with $m^*(E) < \infty$, for any Vitali covering \mathcal{B} of E and $\delta > 0$, exists disjoint balls $B_1, \dots, B_n \in \mathcal{B}$, such that

$$m^*\left(E \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^n B_i\right) < \delta.$$

Proof. For all $\varepsilon > 0$, exists an open set A s.t. $E \subset A$ and $m(A) < m^*(E) + \varepsilon < +\infty$.

Remove all the balls in \mathcal{B} with radius greater than 1. Each time we take a ball B_i with radius greater than $\frac{1}{2} \sup_{B \in \mathcal{B}'} r(B)$, where \mathcal{B}' are the remaining balls, and remove all the balls which intersect with B_i .

If we end up with finitely many balls B_1, \dots, B_n , we must have $E \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n B_i$, otherwise $x \notin B_i \implies \exists B \ni x, B \cap B_i = \emptyset$, contradiction!

If we take out countably many balls $B_1, B_2, \dots \subset A$, since $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} m(B_i) \leq m(A) < \infty$, there exists N s.t. $\sum_{i=N+1}^{\infty} m(B_i) < 5^{-d}\delta$.

Now we only need to prove

$$E \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^N B_i \subset \bigcup_{i>N} 5B_i.$$

□

Let $E = \{x : F'(x) = 0\}$, $\forall x \in E, \exists \delta(x) > 0$, s.t.

$$|F(y) - F(x)| < \varepsilon|y - x|, \forall |y - x| < \delta(x).$$

Hence $[x-h, x+h], 0 < h < \delta(x)$ is a Vitali covering of E . By Vitali's theorem, there exists finitely many disjoint intervals $[x_k - h_k, x_k + h_k] = I_k$ s.t.

$$m^*(E \setminus \bigcup_{k=1}^N I_k) < \varepsilon.$$

Assume $a \leq a_1 < b_1 < \dots < a_N < b_N \leq b$.

$$F(b) - F(a) \leq \sum_{k=1}^N |F(b_k) - F(a_k)| + \sum_{k=0}^N |F(a_{k+1}) - F(b_k)| \leq \varepsilon(b-a) + \delta.$$