

EXAMPLE

Fix $\lambda > 0$ and consider $R_{\geq 0} \xrightarrow{[0, +\infty]} \mathbb{R}$ which is nonnegative.
 $x \mapsto e^{-\lambda x}$

For every integer $n \geq 1$, take $J_n = [0, \infty]$, and $\int_{J_n} f(x) dx = \int_0^n e^{-\lambda x} dx = \left[-\frac{e^{-\lambda x}}{\lambda}\right]_0^n = \frac{1 - e^{-\lambda n}}{\lambda} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\lambda}$. $\therefore \int_{\mathbb{R}} f dx = \frac{1}{\lambda}$

EXAMPLE

The function $R_{\geq 0} \xrightarrow{[0, +\infty]} \mathbb{R}$ is nonnegative and not integrable
 $x \mapsto |\sin x|$

For $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $\int_{\frac{k\pi}{2}}^{(k+1)\pi} |\sin x| dx = \int_0^\pi \sin x dx = 2 \Rightarrow \int_0^{n\pi} |\sin x| dx = 2n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \infty$
 \therefore The integral isn't well defined.

EXAMPLE (RIEMANN INTEGRALS)

- 1) $t \mapsto t^{-\alpha}$ is integrable on $[a, +\infty)$ iff $\alpha > 1$ for some $a > 0$.
- 2) $t \mapsto t^{-\alpha}$ is integrable on $[0, a]$ iff $\alpha < 1$ for some $a > 0$.
- 3) For $a < b$, $t \mapsto (b-t)^{-\alpha}$ is integrable on $[a, b]$ iff $\alpha < 1$
- 4) For $a < b$, $t \mapsto (t-a)^{-\alpha}$ is integrable on $[a, b]$ iff $\alpha < 1$

EXAMPLE (BERTRAND'S INTEGRALS)

Fix $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$, consider $t \mapsto t^{-\alpha} |\ln t|^{-\beta}$

- 1) For $a > 1$, if $\alpha > 1$, it is integrable on $[a, +\infty)$ or $\alpha = 1$ and $\beta > 1$
- 2) For $a \in (0, 1)$, if $\alpha < 1$, it is integrable on $[0, a]$ or $\alpha = 1$ and $\beta > 1$

DEFINITION

Let $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be an interval and $(W, \|\cdot\|)$ is a Banach space. A function $f: I \rightarrow W$ is called integrable if $\|f\|$ is integrable.
 For a sequence $(J_n)_{n \geq 0}$ satisfying for $n \geq 1$, $J_n \subseteq J_{n+1} \subseteq \dots \subseteq I$, and $\bigcup_{n \geq 0} J_n = I$, define $\int_I f = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{J_n} f \in W$
 "interval-def"

Denote $L^1(I, W) := \{f: I \rightarrow W \mid \int_I \|f\| < +\infty\}$ (L^1 norm stuff...)

PROPOSITION

The definition of $\int_I f := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{J_n} f$ does not depend on the choice of $(J_n)_{n \geq 0}$ if it satisfies interval-def

REMARK

- For (a, b) , $-\infty < a < b < +\infty$, we may consider $(J_n = (a, b - \frac{1}{n}))_{n \geq 1}$
- For $[a, +\infty)$, $-\infty < a < +\infty$, we may consider $(J_n = [a, n])_{n \geq 1}$

PROOF OF PROPOSITION

We do so by considering two steps:

- (1) Given $(J_n)_{n \geq 1}$ satisfying interval-def, check that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{J_n} f$ is well-defined
- (2) Given $(J_n)_{n \geq 1}$ and $(K_n)_{n \geq 1}$ satisfying interval-def, check that their integrals are equal

Step 1

Let $(J_n = [a_n, b_n])_{n \geq 1}$ satisfying interval-def, $u_n := \int_{J_n} f$, $U_n := \int_{J_n} \|f\|$

Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and take $N \geq 1$ s.t. $|U_p - U_q| < \varepsilon$ for all $p, q \geq N$.

For $p, q \geq N$, $p \geq q$, $u_p - u_q = \int_{J_p} f - \int_{J_q} f = \int_{[a_p, a_q]} f - \int_{[b_p, b_q]} f$

$\therefore \|u_p - u_q\| \leq \int_{[a_p, a_q]} \|f\| + \int_{[b_p, b_q]} \|f\| = U_p - U_q < \varepsilon$

This means that $(u_n)_{n \geq 1}$ is a Cauchy sequence in W , so it converges. \checkmark

Step 2

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Let $(J_n)_{n \geq 1}$ and $(K_n)_{n \geq 1}$ satisfy interval-def.

From (1), we know that $u_n = \int_{J_n} f \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} u$ and $v_n = \int_{K_n} f \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} v$

For $n \geq 1$, let $L_n := J_n \cup K_n$. Due to interval-def, we may find $N \geq 1$ s.t. $J_n \cap K_n = \emptyset \ \forall n \geq N$. Thus, $(L_n)_{n \geq 1}$ satisfies interval-def.

Now, we want to show that $w = u$, then by symmetry we also have $w = v$, so $u = v$.

$$\bullet \ \forall n \geq 1, J_n \subseteq L_n$$

$$\bullet \ \forall n \geq 1, U_n := \int_{J_n} \|f\|, W_n := \int_{L_n} \|f\|$$

$\therefore \|W_n - U_n\| = \left\| \int_{L_n \setminus J_n} f \right\| \leq \int_{L_n \setminus J_n} \|f\| = W_n - U_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$ since we found W_n, U_n are nonneg \Rightarrow their integrals/limits are well-def, hence $W_n - U_n \rightarrow 0$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (W_n - U_n) = 0 \Rightarrow w = u. \quad \square$$

PROPERTIES

Properties that can be preserved when we take a limit still hold for integrable functions, such as

$$\bullet \ L^1(I, W) \longrightarrow W \text{ is a linear map}$$

$$f \longmapsto \int_I f$$

$$\bullet \ \int_I f + \int_I f = \int_{I \cup J} f \quad \text{if } I \cap J = \emptyset$$

$$\bullet \ \triangle \text{ ineq, } \|\int_I f\| \leq \int_I \|f\|, \text{ IBP, change of variables}$$

PROPOSITION

Let $f \in \mathcal{PC}(I, W)$ be a piecewise continuous function on I . TFAE

(1) f is integrable on $[a, b]$

(2) [Partial integral] $x \mapsto \int_a^x \|f(t)\| dt$ is bounded on $[a, b]$

(3) [Partial integral] $x \mapsto \int_a^x \|f(t)\| dt$ has a limit when $x \rightarrow b^-$

(4) [Remainder integral] The limit of $x \mapsto \int_x^b \|f(t)\| dt$ when $x \rightarrow b^-$ is 0

(5) [Cauchy's criterion] $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists A \in I$, s.t. $\forall x, y \in [A, b), x < y, \int_x^y \|f(t)\| dt < \varepsilon$

PROPOSITION

Let $f \in \mathcal{PC}(I, W)$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$. Define $I_- := I \cap (-\infty, c)$ and $I_+ := [c, +\infty)$, then TFAE

(1) f is integrable on I

(2) f is integrable on I_- and I_+

And in this case, we have $\int_I f = \int_{I_-} f + \int_{I_+} f$

PROPOSITION

Let $f \in \mathcal{PC}(I, W), \varphi \in \mathcal{PC}_+(I)$.

(1) If $\|f\| \leq \varphi$ on I and φ is integrable, then f is integrable and $\|\int_I f\| \leq \int_I \varphi$

(2) If $f \in \mathcal{PC}_+(I)$ and is nonintegrable with $f \leq \varphi$, then φ is nonintegrable

Proof

(1) For any subsegment $J \subseteq I$, we have $\int_J \|f(t)\| dt \leq \int_J \varphi(t) dt \leq \int_a^b \varphi(t) dt = \int_I \varphi$

(2) By contradiction \square

EXAMPLE

Check that $f: t \mapsto \frac{1}{\sqrt{t(t-1)}}$ is integrable on $(0, 1)$.

Let $c = \frac{1}{2}, I_- = (0, \frac{1}{2}), I_+ = [\frac{1}{2}, 1)$

\bullet For $t \in I_-$, $f(t) \leq \frac{2}{\sqrt{t}}$, which is integrable on $(0, \frac{1}{2})$, and so is f

\bullet For $t \in I_+$, $f(t) \leq \frac{2}{\sqrt{1-t}}$, which is integrable on $[\frac{1}{2}, 1)$, so is f

COMPARISON OF INTEGRALS

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DEFINITION

Let $f: (a, b) \rightarrow W$, $g: (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be piecewise continuous

We say $f \sim O(g)$ or $f(x) = O(g(x))$ when $x \rightarrow b^-$ if $\exists M > 0, \delta > 0$, s.t. $\forall x \in [a, b) \cap B(b, \delta)$, we have $\|f(x)\| \leq M \|g(x)\|$

i.e. $\forall a \in (b-\delta, b)$

We say $f \sim o(g)$ or $f(x) = o(g(x))$ when $x \rightarrow b^-$ if $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$, s.t. $\forall x \in (b-\delta, b)$, $\|f(x)\| \leq \varepsilon \|g(x)\|$

We say $f \sim g$ or $f(x) \sim g(x)$ when $x \rightarrow b^-$ if $f/g \sim O(1)$

PROPOSITION

Let $f: (a, b) \rightarrow W$ be p.c. and $g: (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ be integrable

Crucial!!

(1) If $f \sim O(g)$, then f is integrable on (a, b) and $\int_a^b f \sim O(\int_a^b g)$

(2) If $f \sim o(g)$, then f is integrable on (a, b) and $\int_a^b f \sim o(\int_a^b g)$

(3) If $W = \mathbb{R}$ and $f \sim g$, then f is integrable on (a, b) and $\int_a^b f \sim \int_a^b g$

Proof

As (2), (3) are similar, we only prove (1) here.

By assumption, take $M > 0, \delta > 0$, s.t. $\forall x \in (b-\delta, b)$, $\|f(x)\| \leq M g(x)$

$\therefore \forall x \in (b-\delta, b)$, we have $\|\int_a^b f\| \leq \int_a^b \|f\| \leq M \int_a^b g \square$

EXAMPLE (THE GAMMA FUNCTION)

Define the gamma function $\Gamma: (0, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$x \mapsto \int_0^{+\infty} t^{x-1} e^{-t} dt$$

• $t \mapsto t^{x-1} e^{-t}$ is nonnegative

• Around 0^+ , $t^{x-1} e^{-t} \sim t^{x-1}$ and $t \mapsto t^{x-1}$ is nonnegative around 0 and integrable, so $t^{x-1} e^{-t}$ is too

• Around 0^- , $t^{x-1} e^{-t} = O(t^{\frac{1}{2}})$ and $t \mapsto t^{\frac{1}{2}}$ is integrable around $+\infty$, so $t^{x-1} e^{-t}$ is too

• E.g.: $\Gamma(1) = 1$, $\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) = \sqrt{\pi}$

• Hence, $\Gamma(x+1) = \int_0^{+\infty} t^x e^{-t} dt = -(t^x e^{-t})|_0^{+\infty} + \int_0^{+\infty} x t^{x-1} e^{-t} dt = x \Gamma(x) \quad \forall x > 0$, which is the factorial

EXAMPLE

Goal: Find the asymptotic behavior of \arccos around $x=1^-$

Note that $\int_x^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-t^2}} dt = \arccos x$, $x \in (0, 1)$.

As $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-t^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(1-t)(1+t)}} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-t}}$, thus $\arccos x \sim \sqrt{2(1-x)}$ (integrate both sides)

EXAMPLE

We know that $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx = 1$

We want to find the asymptotic behavior of $F(x) = \int_x^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} dt$ when $x \rightarrow +\infty$

1) Note that $e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} = o(te^{-\frac{t^2}{2}}) \Rightarrow F(x) = o(\int_x^{+\infty} te^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} dt) = o(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}})|_x^{+\infty} = o(e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}})$