

Folland: Real Analysis, Chapter 2
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Problem 2.3

If $\{f_n\}$ is a sequence of measurable functions on X , then $\{x : \lim f_n(x) \text{ exists}\}$ is a measurable set.

Solution:

Define $h = \limsup f_n$, $g = \liminf f_n$. By Proposition 2.7, h, g are measurable. Let

$$E_\infty = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} g^{-1}(n, \infty) \cap h^{-1}(n, \infty)$$

$$E_{-\infty} = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} g^{-1}(-\infty, -n) \cap h^{-1}(-\infty, -n)$$

It is clear that both E_∞ and $E_{-\infty}$ are measurable sets. Next, define

$$w(x) = \begin{cases} 29 & \text{if } g = h = \pm\infty \\ g(x) - h(x) & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Then w is a measurable function by Exercise 2. Therefore

$$E_1 = (w^{-1}(-\infty, 0) \cup w^{-1}(0, \infty))^c$$

is measurable. Hence the set $\{x : \lim f_n \text{ exists}\}$ is measurable since it is equal to

$$\{x \in X : g(x) = h(x)\} = E_1 \cup E_\infty \cup E_{-\infty}.$$

Problem 2.9

Let $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ be the Cantor function (§1.5), and let $g(x) = f(x) + x$.

a. g is a bijection from $[0, 1]$ to $[0, 2]$ and $h = g^{-1}$ is continuous from $[0, 2]$ to $[0, 1]$.

b. If C is the Cantor set, $m(g(C)) = 1$.

c. By Exercise 29 of Chapter 1, $g(C)$ contains a Lebesgue nonmeasurable set A . Let $B = g^{-1}(A)$. Then B is Lebesgue measurable but not Borel.

d. There exists a Lebesgue measurable function F and a continuous function G on \mathbb{R} such that $F \circ G$ is not Lebesgue measurable.

Solution:

(a) We know that f is an increasing function, and therefore $f(x) + x$ is a strictly increasing function. Also, since f is continuous, then $f(x) + x$ is continuous. Since $g(0) = 0$ and $g(1) = 2$, and g is continuous and strictly increasing on $[0, 1]$, then g is a bijection from $[0, 1]$ to $[0, 2]$. It follows that g^{-1} exists.

Since g is continuous map from a compact set to a Hausdorff space, then g^{-1} is continuous: indeed, $g(K)$ is compact for any compact set K , and compact sets are closed in a Hausdorff space, so $(g^{-1})^{-1}(C)$ is closed for any closed set C in the domain of g .

(b) Let

$$[0, 1] \cap C^c = \bigsqcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$$

where E_n are countably many disjoint intervals. Since f is constant on a given E_n , then $g(E_n)$ is a translate of E_n , so $m(g(E_n)) = m(E_n)$. Therefore

$$m(g([0, 1] \cap C^c)) = m\left(\bigsqcup_{m=1}^{\infty} g(E_n)\right) = m\left(\bigsqcup_{m=1}^{\infty} E_n\right) = m([0, 1] \cap C^c) = 1$$

Since $2 = m([0, 2]) = m(g(C)) + m(g([0, 1] \cap C^c))$, we have $m(g(C)) = 1$.

(c) Suppose B is a Borel set. Since g^{-1} is continuous, $(g^{-1})^{-1}(B) = A$ is Borel measurable. But A is not even Lebesgue measurable, which is a contradiction.

However, $B \subset C$. Since C is a null set, B is Lebesgue measurable by completeness of Lebesgue measure.

(d) Define G and F as follows:

$$G(x) = \begin{cases} g^{-1}(x) & \text{if } x \in [0, 2] \\ -x & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } x \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \in B \\ -69 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

G is continuous by the Pasting Lemma from elementary topology. F is measurable since $F^{-1}(a, \infty)$ is either empty, the whole real line, or a subset of B (which is measurable since B has measure zero).

$F \circ G$ is not Lebesgue measurable since $G^{-1}(F^{-1}(-1, \infty)) = G^{-1}(B) = A$.

Problem 2.14

If $f \in L^+$, let $\lambda(E) = \int_E f d\mu$ for $E \in \mathcal{M}$. Then λ is a measure on \mathcal{M} , and for any $g \in L^+$, $\int g d\lambda = \int f g d\mu$. (First suppose that g is simple.)

Solution:

We will show that λ is a measure on \mathcal{M} . It is clear that $\lambda(\emptyset) = 0$. Let $\{A_k\}$ be a countable sequence of disjoint sets, and define $A = \cup_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k$.

$$\lambda(\cup A_k) = \int_A f d\mu = \int_A \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \chi_{A_k} f \right) d\mu = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_A \chi_{A_k} f d\mu = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \lambda(A_k).$$

The summation can be taken out from the integral by Theorem 2.15.

Let $g \in L^+$ be a simple function. Then $g = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \chi_{A_i}$ where A_i are measurable sets. Therefore

$$\int g d\lambda = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \lambda(A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \int f \chi_{A_i} d\mu = \int \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \chi_{A_i} f d\mu = \int f g d\mu.$$

Now take any $g \in L^+$. By Theorem 2.10 there exists a sequence $\{\phi_n\}$ of simple functions that converges to g pointwise such that $0 \leq \phi_1 \leq \phi_2 \leq \dots \leq g$. Since $\{\phi_n\}$ and $\{f\phi_n\}$ are monotone increasing, we can apply the monotone convergence theorem twice to obtain

$$\int g d\lambda = \int \lim \phi_n d\lambda = \lim \int \phi_n d\lambda = \lim \int \phi_n f d\mu = \int f g d\mu.$$

Problem 2.16

If $f \in L^+$ and $\int f < \infty$, for every $\epsilon > 0$ there exists $E \in \mathcal{M}$ such that $\mu(E) < \infty$ and $\int_E f > (\int f) - \epsilon$.

Solution:

Let $f \in L^+$ such that $\int f < \infty$. Let $\epsilon > 0$. By definition of $\int f$, there exists a simple function $\phi = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \chi_{E_i}$ such that $0 \leq \phi \leq f$ and

$$\int f - \epsilon < \int \phi.$$

Let $E = \cup_{i=1}^n E_i$. Since the E_i are in \mathcal{M} , then $E \in \mathcal{M}$. Also, $\int \phi \leq \int f < \infty$, so for each E_i we have $\mu(E_i) < \infty$ and therefore $\mu(E) < \infty$. Hence we have

$$\int f - \epsilon < \int_E \phi \leq \int_E f.$$

Problem 2.20

(A generalized Dominated Convergence Theorem) If $f_n, g_n, f, g \in L^1$, $f_n \rightarrow f$ and $g_n \rightarrow g$ a.e., $|f_n| \leq g_n$, and $\int g_n \rightarrow \int g$, then $\int f_n \rightarrow \int f$. (Rework the proof of the dominated convergence theorem.)

Solution:

Since $f_n + g_n \geq 0$, we can apply Fatou's lemma:

$$\int f + g = \int \lim (f_n + g_n) \leq \liminf \int f_n + g_n = \int g + \liminf \int f_n.$$

The same process can be repeated for $g - f_n$:

$$\int g - f = \int \lim (g_n - f_n) \leq \liminf \int g_n - f_n = \int g - \limsup \int f_n.$$

Since

$$\limsup \int f_n \leq \int f \leq \liminf \int f_n$$

we can conclude that $\int f_n \rightarrow \int f$.

Problem 2.21

Suppose $f_n, f \in L^1$ and $f_n \rightarrow f$ a.e. Then $\int |f_n - f| \rightarrow 0$ iff $\int |f_n| \rightarrow \int |f|$. (Use Exercise 20.)

Solution:

Suppose $\int |f_n - f| \rightarrow 0$. Then

$$\limsup \int |f_n| \leq \limsup \int |f_n - f| + |f| = \int |f|.$$

On the other hand, we can apply Fatou's lemma to obtain

$$\int |f| \leq \liminf \int |f_n|.$$

Therefore

$$\limsup \int |f_n| \leq \int |f| \leq \liminf \int |f_n|$$

and hence $\int |f_n| \rightarrow \int |f|$.

Next we prove the converse: suppose $\int |f_n| \rightarrow \int |f|$. Define $g_n = |f_n| + |f|$. Then $|f_n - f| \leq g_n$ and $\int g_n \rightarrow 2 \int |f| \in L^1$. By applying the generalized Dominated Convergence Theorem (Problem 20) we obtain

$$\lim \int |f_n - f| = \int \lim |f_n - f| = 0.$$

Problem 2.25

Let $f(x) = x^{-1/2}$ if $0 < x < 1$, $f(x) = 0$ otherwise. Let $\{r_n\}_1^\infty$ be an enumeration of the rationals, and set $g(x) = \sum_1^\infty 2^{-n} f(x - r_n)$.

a. $g \in L^1(m)$, and in particular $g < \infty$ a.e.

b. g is discontinuous at every point and unbounded on every interval, and it remains so after any modification on a Lebesgue null set.

c. $g^2 < \infty$, but g^2 is not integrable on any interval.

Solution:

(a) We need to show $\int |g| < \infty$. Using Theorem 2.15 and the change of variables $z = x - r_n$, we can compute

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{-n} f(x - r_n) dx &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 2^{-n} f(x - r_n) dx \\
&= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{-n} \int_0^1 f(z) dz \\
&= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{-n} \int_0^1 z^{-1/2} dz \\
&= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{1-n} \\
&= 2 \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2^{-n} - 1 \right) = 2 < \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

(b) Let $x \in \mathbb{R}, M > 0, \delta > 0$. It will be shown that there exists a $y \in (x - \delta, x + \delta)$ such that $g(y) > M$. This will prove that g is unbounded on each interval and that g is discontinuous at every point.

There exists a rational number $r_n \in (x - \delta, x + \delta)$. Furthermore, there exists a $y \in (x - \delta, x + \delta)$ such that

$$0 < y - r_n < \frac{2^{-2n}}{4M^2}.$$

Then

$$g(y) \geq 2^{-n} f(y - r_n) \geq 2^{-n} (2^n (2M)) = 2M > M.$$

This proof does not fail after redefining g on any Lebesgue null set, since one can still find an irrational y with the desired properties.

(c) Since $g < \infty$ a.e., it follows that $g^2 < \infty$ a.e. However,

$$g^2 \geq \int \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{-2n} f^2(x - r_n) dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{-2n} \int_0^1 f^2(z) dz \geq \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{z} > \infty.$$

Problem 2.27

Let $f_n(x) = ae^{-nax} - be^{-nbx}$ where $0 < a < b$.

- $\sum_1^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} |f_n(x)| dx = \infty$.
- $\sum_1^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} f_n(x) dx = 0$.
- $\sum_1^{\infty} f_n \in L^1([0, \infty), m)$, and $\int_0^{\infty} \sum_1^{\infty} f_n(x) dx = \log(b/a)$.

Solution:

(a) Since f_n is the difference of two exponential functions, we can find a point $c \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $f_n < 0$ on $(0, c)$ and $f_n > 0$ on (c, ∞) . In order to find this point c , we solve

$$\begin{aligned} be^{-nbc} &= ae^{-nac} \\ \log(b/a) &= nc(b-a) \\ c &= \log(b/a) \frac{1}{n(b-a)} \end{aligned}$$

We can now split up the integral in order to integrate $|f_n|$:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty |f_n| &= -\int_0^c (ae^{-nax} - be^{-nbx}) dx + \int_c^\infty (ae^{-nax} - be^{-nbx}) dx \\ &= \left(\frac{e^{-nax}}{n} - \frac{e^{-nbx}}{n} \right) \Big|_0^c + \left(\frac{e^{-nax}}{n} - \frac{e^{-nbx}}{n} \right) \Big|_c^\infty \\ &= \frac{2}{n} (e^{-nac} - e^{-nbc}) \\ &= \frac{2}{n} \left(e^{-\frac{a}{b-a} \log(b/a)} - e^{-\frac{b}{b-a} \log(b/a)} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\int_0^\infty |f_n|$ is proportional to $(1/n)$, hence $\sum_1^\infty \int_0^\infty |f_n| = \infty$.

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty f_n(x) dx &= \int_0^\infty ae^{-nax} dx - \int_0^\infty be^{-nbx} dx \\ &= \frac{e^{-nax}}{-n} \Big|_0^\infty + \frac{e^{-nbx}}{n} \Big|_0^\infty \\ &= \frac{1}{n} (-1 + 1) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\sum_1^\infty \int_0^\infty f_n(x) dx = 0$.

(c)

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^\infty f_n &= \sum_{n=1}^\infty (ae^{-nax} - be^{-nbx}) \\ &= a \left(\sum_{n=0}^\infty e^{-nax} - 1 \right) - b \left(\sum_{n=0}^\infty e^{-nbx} - 1 \right) \\ &= a \left(\frac{1}{1 - e^{-ax}} - 1 \right) - b \left(\frac{1}{1 - e^{-bx}} - 1 \right) \\ &= \frac{a}{1 - e^{-ax}} - \frac{b}{1 - e^{-bx}} + (b - a). \end{aligned}$$

We can see that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n$ is positive on $(0, \infty)$, so to show that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n \in L^1$ we must compute $\int_0^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n$:

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n &= \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{a}{1 - e^{-ax}} - \frac{b}{1 - e^{-bx}} + (b - a) \right) dx \\
&= \left(\log(1 - e^{ax}) - \log(1 - e^{bx}) + (b - a)x \right) \Big|_0^{\infty} \\
&= \log \left(\frac{(1 - e^{ax})(e^{(b-a)x})}{1 - e^{bx}} \right) \Big|_0^{\infty} \\
&= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \log \left(\frac{(1 - e^{ax})(1 - e^{bz})e^{bx}e^{-ax}}{(1 - e^{bx})(1 - e^{az})e^{bz}e^{-az}} \right) \\
&= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \log \left(\frac{(1 - e^{bz} - e^{ax} + e^{ax+bz})e^{bx}e^{az}}{(1 - e^{az} - e^{bx} + e^{bx+az})e^{bz}e^{ax}} \right) \\
&= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \log \left(\frac{e^{ax}(e^{-ax} - e^{bz-ax} - 1 + e^{bz})e^{bx}e^{az}}{e^{bx}(e^{-bx} - e^{az-bx} - 1 + e^{az})e^{bz}e^{ax}} \right) \\
&= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \log \left(\frac{(e^{-ax} - e^{bz-ax} - 1 + e^{bz})e^{az}}{(e^{-bx} - e^{az-bx} - 1 + e^{az})e^{bz}} \right) \\
&= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \log \left(\frac{(e^{bz} - 1)e^{az}}{(e^{az} - 1)e^{bz}} \right) \\
&= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \log \left(\frac{1 - e^{-bz}}{1 - e^{-az}} \right) \\
&= \log(b/a).
\end{aligned}$$

The last step follows from l'Hopital's rule:

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - e^{-bz}}{1 - e^{-az}} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{be^{-bz}}{ae^{-az}} = \frac{b}{a}.$$

Problem 2.28

Compute the following limits and justify the calculations:

- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{\infty} (1 + (x/n))^{-n} \sin(x/n) dx.$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 (1 + nx^2)(1 + x^2)^{-n} dx.$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{\infty} n \sin(x/n) [x(1 + x^2)]^{-1} dx.$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^{\infty} n(1 + n^2x^2)^{-1} dx.$ (The answer depends on whether $a > 0$, $a = 0$, or $a < 0$. How does this accord with the various convergence theorems?)

Solution:

(a) Denote

$$f_n = \frac{\sin(x/n)}{(1 + (x/n))^n}.$$

First, notice that by the binomial theorem, when $n \geq 2$, for all $x \in [0, \infty)$ we have

$$(1 + (x/n))^n \geq 1 + x + \binom{n}{2} \frac{x^2}{n^2} \geq 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{4}.$$

Thus we can bound f_n on $[0, \infty)$ by

$$|f_n| = \left| \frac{\sin(x/n)}{(1 + (x/n))^n} \right| \leq \frac{1}{(1 + (x/n))^n} \leq \frac{1}{1 + x + x^2/4}.$$

A rough computation shows that the following integral is bounded:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{1 + x + x^2/4} &= \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{1 + x + x^2/4} + \int_1^\infty \frac{dx}{1 + x + x^2/4} \\ &\leq \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{1 + 0 + 0} + \int_1^\infty \frac{dx}{0 + 0 + x^2/4} \\ &\leq 1 + 4 < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

By the Dominated Convergence Theorem, we can throw the limit under the integral.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \int_0^\infty f_n dx \right| \leq \int_0^\infty \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |f_n| dx = \int_0^\infty \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\sin(x/n)}{(1 + (x/n))^n} \right| dx = \int_0^\infty \sin(0) e^{-x} dx = 0.$$

(b) Denote

$$f_n = \frac{1 + nx^2}{(1 + x^2)^n}.$$

By the binomial theorem, we know

$$(1 + x^2)^n \geq 1 + nx^2.$$

Therefore $f_n \leq 1$, and $\int_0^1 1 < \infty$, so by the Dominated Convergence Theorem we can conclude

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 f_n dx = \int_0^1 \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + nx^2}{(1 + x^2)^n} \right) dx = 0.$$

(c) Denote

$$f_n = \frac{n \sin(x/n)}{x(1 + x^2)}.$$

Since $|\sin(x/n)| \leq (x/n)$ for $x > 0$, we can bound f_n on $(0, \infty)$ by

$$\left| \frac{n \sin(x/n)}{x(1 + x^2)} \right| \leq \frac{1}{1 + x^2}.$$

Next we verify that

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{1+x^2} = \arctan(x) \Big|_0^\infty = \pi/2 < \infty.$$

By the Dominated Convergence Theorem we can conclude

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^\infty f_n dx = \int_0^\infty \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin(x/n)}{x/n} (1+x^2)^{-1} \right) dx = \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{1+x^2} = \pi/2.$$

(d) In this case we can evaluate the integral directly:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^\infty \frac{n}{1+n^2x^2} dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{na}^\infty \frac{dy}{1+y^2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \arctan(y) \Big|_{na}^\infty = \pi/2 - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \arctan(na).$$

Hence

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^\infty \frac{n}{1+n^2x^2} dx = \begin{cases} 0 & a > 0 \\ \pi/2 & a = 0 \\ \pi & a < 0 \end{cases}$$

This agrees with the fact that one cannot apply the Dominated Convergence Theorem unless $a > 0$ since there is no way to bound $f_n(0)$.

Problem 2.32

Suppose $\mu(X) < \infty$. If f and g are complex-valued measurable functions on X , define

$$\rho(f, g) = \int \frac{|f - g|}{1 + |f - g|} d\mu.$$

Then ρ is a metric on the space of measurable functions if we identify functions that are equal a.e., and $f_n \rightarrow f$ with respect to this metric iff $f_n \rightarrow f$ in measure.

Solution:

We will first show that ρ is a metric on the space of measurable functions if we identify functions that are equal a.e.

It is clear that $\rho(f, g) = \rho(g, f)$ and that $\rho(f, g) \geq 0$. We can also see that

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(f, g) = 0 &\iff \int \frac{|f - g|}{1 + |f - g|} d\mu = 0 \\ &\iff \frac{|f - g|}{1 + |f - g|} = 0 \text{ a.e. (by Proposition 2.16)} \\ &\iff f = g \text{ a.e.} \end{aligned}$$

It only remains to show the triangle inequality. Let $x, y, z \in X$. First, suppose $|x - z| \leq |x - y|$ and $|z - y| \leq |x - y|$. Then we have

$$\frac{|x-y|}{1+|x-y|} \leq \frac{|x-z|}{1+|x-y|} + \frac{|z-y|}{1+|x-y|} \leq \frac{|x-z|}{1+|x-z|} + \frac{|z-y|}{1+|z-y|}.$$

On the other hand, suppose $|x-z| \geq |x-y|$. Then

$$\frac{|x-y|}{1+|x-y|} \leq \frac{|x-y|}{1+|x-y|} + \frac{|z-y|}{1+|z-y|} \leq \frac{|x-z|}{1+|x-z|} + \frac{|z-y|}{1+|z-y|}.$$

The above argument can be repeated when $|z-y| \geq |x-y|$. Hence for all $x, y, z \in X$,

$$\frac{|x-y|}{1+|x-y|} \leq \frac{|x-z|}{1+|x-z|} + \frac{|z-y|}{1+|z-y|}.$$

Using basic properties of the integral (Proposition 2.13), we can conclude that $\rho(f, g) \leq \rho(f, h) + \rho(h, g)$ for any measurable functions f, g, h . This completes the proof that ρ is a metric.

Suppose $f_n \rightarrow f$ with respect to ρ . Let $E_{n,\epsilon} = \{x : |f_n(x) - f(x)| \geq \epsilon\}$.

$$\int \frac{|f_n - f|}{1+|f_n - f|} d\mu \geq \int_{E_{n,\epsilon}} \frac{|f_n - f|}{1+|f_n - f|} d\mu \geq \frac{\epsilon}{1+\epsilon} \mu(E_{n,\epsilon}).$$

It follows that

$$\mu(E_{n,\epsilon}) \leq \frac{1+\epsilon}{\epsilon} \int \frac{|f - g|}{1+|f - g|} d\mu \rightarrow 0.$$

Conversely, suppose $f_n \rightarrow f$ in measure. Let $\epsilon > 0$. Choose $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all integers $n > N$, we have

$$\mu\left(\left\{x : |f_n(x) - f(x)| \geq \frac{\epsilon}{2\mu(X)}\right\}\right) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$$

Let $A = \{x : |f_n(x) - f(x)| \geq \frac{\epsilon}{2\mu(X)}\}$. Then the following holds for all $n > N$:

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(f_n, f) &= \int \frac{|f - g|}{1+|f - g|} d\mu = \int_A \frac{|f - g|}{1+|f - g|} d\mu + \int_{X \setminus A} \frac{|f - g|}{1+|f - g|} d\mu \\ &\leq \mu(A) + \frac{\epsilon}{2\mu(X)} \mu(X \setminus A) \\ &< \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 = \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Problem 2.40

In Egoroff's theorem, the hypothesis " $\mu(X) < \infty$ " can be replaced by " $|f_n| \leq g$ for all n , where $g \in L^1(\mu)$."

Solution:

Suppose f_1, f_2, \dots and f are measurable complex-valued functions on X such that $f_n \rightarrow f$ a.e. and $|f_n| \leq g$ for all n , where $g \in L^1(\mu)$. We will follow the proof of Theorem 2.33 and make some minor adjustments.

Without loss of generality, assume that $f_n \rightarrow f$ everywhere on X . For $k, n \in \mathbb{N}$, let

$$E_n(k) = \bigcup_{m=n}^{\infty} \{x : |f_m(x) - f(x)| \geq k^{-1}\}.$$

For fixed k , $E_n(k)$ decreases as n increases and $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n(k) = \emptyset$. To apply continuity of measure from above, we need $\mu(E_1) < \infty$. Since $|f_n - f| \leq 2|g|$, we observe that

$$E_1(k) \subseteq A(k) := \{x : 2|g(x)| \geq k^{-1}\}.$$

We can use the fact that

$$\infty > 2 \int_X |g| \geq \int_{A(k)} 2|g| \geq k^{-1} \mu(A(k)),$$

in order to conclude

$$\mu(E_1(k)) \leq \mu(A(k)) < \infty.$$

Therefore, by continuity of measure from above, $\mu(E_n(k)) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Given $\epsilon > 0$ and $k \in \mathbb{N}$, there exists a positive integer n_k such that $\mu(E_{n_k}(k)) < \epsilon 2^{-k}$.

If we define $E = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} E_{n_k}(k)$, then $\mu(E) < \epsilon$ and $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on E^c .

Problem 2.49

Prove Theorem 2.39 by using Theorem 2.37 and Proposition 2.12 together with the following lemmas.

a. If $E \in \mathcal{M} \times \mathcal{N}$ and $\mu \times \nu(E) = 0$, then $\nu(E_x) = \mu(E^y) = 0$ for a.e. x and y .

b. If f is \mathcal{L} -measurable and $f = 0$ λ -a.e., then f_x and f^y are integrable for a.e. x and y , and $\int f_x d\nu = \int f^y d\mu = 0$ for a.e. x and y . (Here the completeness of μ and ν is needed.)

Solution:

(a) Suppose $E \in M \times N$ and $\mu \times \nu(E) = 0$. Define $f = \chi_E$. Then $f_x = \chi_{E_x}$ and $f^y = \chi_{E^y}$. Apply Fubini's theorem:

$$0 = \int f d(\mu \times \nu) = \int \left(\int f_x d\nu(y) \right) d\mu(x) = \int \left(\int f^y d\mu(x) \right) d\nu(y).$$

It follows that $\int \chi_{E_x} d\nu = 0$ μ -a.e. and $\nu(E_x) = 0$ μ -a.e., and similarly $\int \chi_{E^y} d\mu = 0$ ν -a.e. and $\mu(E^y) = 0$ ν -a.e..

(b) Suppose f is \mathcal{L} -measurable and $f = 0$ λ -a.e.. Define

$$A = \{(x, y) \in M \times N : f(x, y) \neq 0\}.$$

Then $A \subseteq E$ for some $E \in M \otimes N$ such that $\mu \times \nu(E) = 0$. By part (a), $\nu(E_x) = 0$ and $\mu(E^y) = 0$ for a.e. x and y . Since $A_x \subseteq E_x$ and $A^y \subseteq E^y$, we have $\nu(A_x) = 0$ and $\mu(A^y) = 0$. Therefore $\int |f_x| d\mu = \int \chi_{A_x} |f_x| d\mu = 0$ for μ -a.e. x and $\int |f^y| d\nu = \int \chi_{A^y} |f^y| d\nu = 0$ for ν -a.e. y .

We now prove Theorem 2.39. Suppose f is \mathcal{L} -measurable and either (a) $f \geq 0$ or (b) $f \in L^1(\lambda)$. By Proposition 2.12, there exists a $M \otimes N$ -measurable function g such that $f = g$ λ -almost everywhere. By Proposition 2.34, g_x is N -measurable and g^y is M -measurable. Define $h = g - f$. Then $h = 0$ λ -a.e.. By lemma (b), h_x is N -measurable for a.e. x and h^y is M -measurable for almost every y , hence f_x is N -measurable for a.e. x and f^y is M -measurable for almost every y .

In case (b), $g \in L^1(\mu \times \nu)$, so by lemma (b), $h_x = g_x - f_x$ is integrable for a.e. x . By Fubini's theorem, g_x is integrable for a.e. x , hence f_x is integrable for a.e. x . Similarly f^y is integrable for a.e. y .

By applying lemma (b) on the function h , we can see that for a.e. x we have $\int (g_x - f_x) d\nu = 0$ hence $\int g_x d\nu = \int f_x d\nu$. Similarly for a.e. y we have $\int g^y d\mu = \int f^y d\mu$. In case (a), $g \in L^+(M \times N)$, so by Tonelli's theorem $x \rightarrow \int g_x d\nu = \int f_x d\nu$ is measurable, and $y \rightarrow \int g^y d\mu = \int f^y d\mu$ is measurable. In case (b), $g \in L^1(M \times N)$, so by Fubini's theorem $x \rightarrow \int g_x d\nu = \int f_x d\nu$ is integrable, and $y \rightarrow \int g^y d\mu = \int f^y d\mu$ is integrable.

Since $\int g d\lambda = \int f d\lambda$, after applying Tonelli's theorem (case a) or Fubini's theorem (case b) and using the fact that $\int g^y d\mu = \int f^y d\mu$ and $\int g_x d\nu = \int f_x d\nu$ for almost every x and y , we obtain

$$\int f d\lambda = \int \int f(x, y) d\mu d\nu = \int \int f(x, y) d\nu d\mu.$$

Problem 2.55

Let $E = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$. Investigate the existence and equality of $\int_E f dm^2$, $\int_0^1 \int_0^1 f(x, y) dx dy$, and $\int_0^1 \int_0^1 f(x, y) dy dx$ for the following f .

- a. $f(x, y) = (x^2 - y^2)(x^2 + y^2)^{-2}$.
- b. $f(x, y) = (1 - xy)^{-a}$ ($a > 0$).
- c. $f(x, y) = (x - 1/2)^{-3}$ if $0 < y < |x - 1/2|$, $f(x, y) = 0$ otherwise.

Solution:

(a) First, we evaluate

$$\int_0^1 \frac{x^2 - y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} dx.$$

Using the substitution $x = y \tan \theta$, $dx = y \sec^2 \theta d\theta$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^1 \frac{x^2 - y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} dx &= \int_0^{\arctan(1/y)} \frac{(\tan^2 \theta - 1)y^3 \sec^2 \theta d\theta}{(y^2(\tan^2 \theta + 1))^2} \\
&= \int_0^{\arctan(1/y)} \frac{(\tan^2 \theta - 1)d\theta}{y \sec^2 \theta} \\
&= \frac{1}{y} \int_0^{\arctan(1/y)} (\sin^2 \theta - \cos^2 \theta) d\theta \\
&= \frac{1}{y} \int_0^{\arctan(1/y)} (1 - 2 \cos^2 \theta) d\theta \\
&= \frac{1}{y} \int_0^{\arctan(1/y)} \cos 2\theta d\theta \\
&= \frac{-1}{2y} \sin(2 \arctan(1/y)) \\
&= \frac{-1}{y} \sin(\arctan(1/y)) \cos(\arctan(1/y)) \\
&= \frac{-1 \sin(\arctan(1/y)) \cos(\arctan(1/y))}{y \cos(\arctan(1/y)) \frac{1}{\cos(\arctan(1/y))}} \\
&= \frac{-1 \tan(\arctan(1/y))}{y (1 + \tan^2(\arctan(1/y)))} \\
&= \frac{-1}{1 + y^2}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{x^2 - y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} dx dy = \int_0^1 \frac{-dy}{1 + y^2} = -\pi/4.$$

We observe that

$$\int_0^1 \frac{x^2 - y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} dx = - \int_0^1 \frac{y^2 - x^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} dx = - \int_0^1 \frac{x^2 - y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} dy.$$

Hence

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{x^2 - y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} dy dx = \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{1 + x^2} = \pi/4.$$

By Fubini's theorem, $\int_E f dm^2$ is not defined.

(b) Since f is non-negative on $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$, $f \in L^+(E)$, so by Tonelli's theorem $\int_E f dm^2 = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 f(x, y) dx dy = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 f(x, y) dy dx$. The integral may be infinite for some values of a ... I haven't had time to do this computation yet.

(c) First, we compute

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 f(x, y) dy dx = \int_0^1 \int_0^{|x-0.5|} (x - \frac{1}{2})^{-3} dy dx = \int_0^1 \frac{(x - \frac{1}{2}) dx}{|x - \frac{1}{2}|^3}.$$

The function $\frac{(x-\frac{1}{2})dx}{|x-\frac{1}{2}|^3}$ is not integrable on $[0, 1]$:

$$\int_0^1 \frac{|x - \frac{1}{2}| dx}{|x - \frac{1}{2}|^3} = \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{|x - \frac{1}{2}|^2} = \infty.$$

Therefore, the integral $\int_0^1 \int_0^1 f(x, y) dy dx$ does not exist, and hence $\int_E f dm^2$ does not exist.

However, $\int_0^1 \int_0^1 f(x, y) dx dy = 0$:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 f(x, y) dx &= \int_0^1 \chi_{\{y < |x-1/2|\}} (x - \frac{1}{2})^{-3} dx \\ &= \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} \chi_{\{|z| > y\}} \frac{dz}{z^3} \\ &= \int_{-1/2}^{-y} \frac{dz}{z^3} + \int_y^{1/2} \frac{dz}{z^3} \\ &= -2 + \frac{1}{2y^2} - \frac{1}{2y^2} + 2 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Problem 2.57

Show that $\int_0^\infty e^{-sx} x^{-1} \sin x dx = \arctan(s^{-1})$ for $s > 0$ by integrating $e^{-sxy} \sin x$ with respect to x and y . (It may be useful to recall that $\tan(\pi/2 - \theta) = (\tan \theta)^{-1}$. Cf. Exercise 31d.)

Solution:

We will investigate the integral

$$\int_0^\infty \int_1^\infty e^{-sxy} \sin x dy dx.$$

We want to apply Fubini's theorem, so first we verify that

$$\int_0^\infty \int_1^\infty |e^{-sxy} \sin x| dy dx \leq \int_0^\infty \int_1^\infty e^{-sxy} x dy dx = \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-sx}}{s} dx < \infty.$$

Next, we observe that

$$\int_0^\infty \int_1^\infty e^{-sxy} \sin x dy dx = \frac{1}{s} \int_0^\infty e^{-sx} x^{-1} \sin x dx.$$

This integral can be computed by switching the order of integration. The first step is to use integration by parts to compute

$$\begin{aligned}
I &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-sxy} \sin x dx = \int_0^{\infty} (-sy)e^{-sxy} \cos x dx - e^{sxy} \cos x \Big|_0^{\infty} \\
&= \int_0^{\infty} (-sy)e^{-sxy} \cos x dx + 1 \\
&= \int_0^{\infty} (-s^2y^2)e^{-sxy} \sin x dx - sye^{-sxy} \sin x \Big|_0^{\infty} + 1 \\
&= \int_0^{\infty} (-s^2y^2)e^{-sxy} \sin x dx + 1.
\end{aligned}$$

$$I = -s^2y^2I + 1.$$

Therefore

$$I = \frac{1}{1 + s^2y^2}.$$

Thus

$$\int_1^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-sxy} \sin x dx dy = \int_1^{\infty} \frac{dy}{1 + s^2y^2} = \frac{1}{s} \int_s^{\infty} \frac{dz}{1 + z^2} = \frac{1}{s} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \arctan(s) \right).$$

It is given that

$$\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) = (\tan \theta)^{-1}$$

which implies

$$\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \arctan(s)\right) = \frac{1}{s}.$$

Therefore

$$\frac{\pi}{2} - \arctan(s) = \arctan(s^{-1}).$$

By Fubini's theorem, we conclude

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{s} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-sx} x^{-1} \sin x dx &= \frac{1}{s} \arctan(s^{-1}). \\
\int_0^{\infty} e^{-sx} x^{-1} \sin x dx &= \arctan(s^{-1}).
\end{aligned}$$

Problem 2.58

Show that $\int e^{-sx} x^{-1} \sin^2 x dx = \frac{1}{4} \log(1 + 4s^{-2})$ for $s > 0$ by integrating $e^{-sx} \sin 2xy$ with respect to x and y .

Solution:

We will investigate the integral

$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^1 e^{-sx} \sin(2xy) dy dx.$$

We want to apply Fubini's theorem, so first we verify that

$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^1 |e^{-sx} \sin(2xy)| dy dx \leq \int_0^\infty \int_0^1 e^{-sxy} 2xy dy dx = \int_0^\infty e^{-sx} x dx < \infty.$$

Next, we observe that

$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^1 e^{-sx} \sin(2xy) dy dx = \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-sx}}{x} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos 2x \right) = \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-sx} \sin^2 x dx}{x}.$$

This integral can be computed by switching the order of integration. The first step is to use integration by parts to compute

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_0^\infty e^{-sx} \sin(2xy) dx = \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-sx}}{s} 2y \cos(2yx) dx - \frac{e^{-sx}}{s} \sin(2yx) \Big|_0^\infty \\ &= \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-sx}}{s} 2y \cos(2yx) dx \\ &= \int_0^\infty \frac{-(2y)^2 e^{-sx}}{s^2} \sin(2yx) dx - \frac{2y}{s^2} e^{-sx} \cos(2yx) \Big|_0^\infty \\ &= \int_0^\infty \frac{-(2y)^2 e^{-sx}}{s^2} \sin(2yx) dx + \frac{2y}{s^2}. \end{aligned}$$

$$I = \frac{-4y^2 I}{s^2} + \frac{2y}{s^2}.$$

$$I = \frac{2y}{s^2 + 4y^2}.$$

Therefore

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^\infty e^{-sx} \sin(2xy) dx dy = \int_0^1 \frac{2y}{s^2 + 4y^2} dy = \frac{1}{4} \log(s^2 + 4) - \frac{1}{4} \log(s^2) = \frac{1}{4} \log(1 + 4s^{-2}).$$

By Fubini's theorem, this proves that

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-sx} \sin^2 x dx}{x} = \frac{1}{4} \log(1 + 4s^{-2}).$$

Problem 2.60

$\Gamma(x)\Gamma(y)/\Gamma(x+y) = \int_0^1 t^{x-1}(1-t)^{y-1} dt$ for $x, y > 0$. (Recall that Γ was defined in §2.3. Write $\Gamma(x)\Gamma(y)$ as a double integral and use the argument of the exponential as a new variable of integration.)

Solution:

By definition, we have

$$\Gamma(x)\Gamma(y) = \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty t^{x-1} s^{y-1} e^{-t-s} ds dt.$$

We perform the change of variables $s = u - uv$, $t = uv$. The Jacobian is

$$\frac{\partial(s, t)}{\partial(u, v)} = \frac{\partial s}{\partial u} \frac{\partial t}{\partial v} - \frac{\partial s}{\partial v} \frac{\partial t}{\partial u} = (1-v)u - (-uv) = u.$$

The change of variables formula for multiple integrals yields

$$\Gamma(x)\Gamma(y) = \int_0^1 \int_0^\infty (uv)^{x-1} (u-uv)^{y-1} e^{-u} u du dv = \int_0^1 \int_0^\infty v^{x-1} (1-v)^{y-1} e^{-u} u^{x+y-1} du dv.$$

By definition of $\Gamma(x+y)$ and Fubini's theorem, this can be rewritten as

$$\Gamma(x)\Gamma(y) = \left(\int_0^1 v^{x-1} (1-v)^{y-1} dv \right) \Gamma(x+y).$$

This proves that

$$\frac{\Gamma(x)\Gamma(y)}{\Gamma(x+y)} = \int_0^1 t^{x-1} (1-t)^{y-1} dt.$$

Problem 2.63

The technique used to prove Proposition 2.54 can also be used to integrate any polynomial over S^{n-1} . In fact, suppose $f(x) = \prod_1^n x_j^{\alpha_j}$ ($\alpha_j \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$) is a monomial. Then $\int f d\sigma = 0$ if any α_j is odd, and if all α_j 's are even,

$$\int f d\sigma = \frac{2\Gamma(\beta_1) \cdots \Gamma(\beta_n)}{\Gamma(\beta_1 + \cdots + \beta_n)}, \text{ where } \beta_j = \frac{\alpha_j + 1}{2}.$$

Solution:

By Theorem 2.49, we know that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-|x|^2} \prod_{j=1}^n x_j^{\alpha_j} dx = \int_0^\infty \int_{S^{n-1}} e^{-r^2} \prod_{j=1}^n \left(\frac{x_j}{|x_j|} \right)^{\alpha_j} r^{\sum \alpha_j} r^{n-1} d\sigma dr.$$

First we compute the right-hand side:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty \int_{S^{n-1}} e^{-r^2} \prod_{j=1}^n \left(\frac{x_j}{|x_j|} \right)^{\alpha_j} r^{\sum \alpha_j} r^{n-1} d\sigma dr &= \left(\int_{S^{n-1}} f d\sigma \right) \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-r^2} r^{n-1 + \sum \alpha_j} dr \right) \\ &= \left(\int_{S^{n-1}} f d\sigma \right) \left(\int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-s}}{2} s^{\sum \frac{\alpha_j}{2}} s^{\frac{n-1}{2}} s^{-\frac{1}{2}} ds \right) \\ &= \left(\int_{S^{n-1}} f d\sigma \right) \frac{1}{2} \Gamma\left(\sum \frac{\alpha_j + 1}{2}\right). \end{aligned}$$

If any α_i is odd, then $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x_i^2} x_i^{\alpha_i} dx_i = 0$ by symmetry, hence then left-hand side is zero:

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-|x|^2} \prod_{j=1}^n x_j^{\alpha_j} dx = \prod_{j=1}^n \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x_j^2} x_j^{\alpha_j} dx_j = 0.$$

Therefore

$$\int_{S^{n-1}} f d\sigma = 0.$$

If every α_i is even, then by symmetry $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x_i^2} x_i^{\alpha_i} dx_i = 2 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x_i^2} x_i^{\alpha_i} dx_i$. The left-hand side is then

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-|x|^2} \prod_{j=1}^n x_j^{\alpha_j} dx = 2^n \prod_{j=1}^n \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x_j^2} x_j^{\alpha_j} dx_j = \prod_{j=1}^n \int_0^{\infty} e^{-s} s^{\frac{\alpha_j}{2} - \frac{1}{2}} ds = \prod_{j=1}^n \Gamma\left(\frac{\alpha_j + 1}{2}\right).$$

By combining the identities of the left-hand side and right-hand side, we obtain

$$\int_{S^{n-1}} f d\sigma = \frac{2\Gamma(\beta_1) \cdots \Gamma(\beta_n)}{\Gamma(\beta_1 + \cdots + \beta_n)}$$

where $\beta_j = \frac{\alpha_j + 1}{2}$.