

5 Properties of Integrable Functions

5.1 Theorem

If $f \in \mathcal{L}$ and $g \in \mathcal{L}$ a.e. then $f = g$ a.e. and $\int f = \int g$

Proof

Let $N = \{x : f(x) \neq g(x)\}$. Let $\epsilon > 0$, by 4:17 there is an upper function $h : h \uparrow N = \infty, h \geq 0, \int h < \epsilon/2$. Let k be upper, $f \leq k$, $\int k < \int f + \epsilon/2$. Then $h+k$ is upper and $h+k \geq g$ and $\int (h+k) = \int h + \int k < \epsilon/2 + \int f + \epsilon/2$. Hence $\int g^* < \int f + \epsilon$. Now choose a lower function ℓ such that $\ell \leq f$ and $\int \ell > \int f - \epsilon/2$, by 4:15 we have

So observe that $-h$ is a lower function, $\int \ell < \int h+k$. $\ell-h$ is a lower function, so $\int (\ell-h) \leq \int g^*$

But $\int (\ell-h) = \int \ell - \int h > \int f - \epsilon/2 - \epsilon/2 = \int f - \epsilon$. Thus $\int g^* = \int g = \int f$. \square

5.2 Corollary

If $f \in \mathcal{L}$ and $f = 0$ a.e. then $\int f = 0$.

Proof

Take $g(x) = 0 \forall x$ in 5.1, (\exists is clearly in \mathcal{L} and $\int g = 0$).

5.3 Theorem

Let $f \in \mathcal{L}$. If $f \geq 0$ a.e. and $\int_{\mathbb{R}} f = 0$ then $f = 0$ a.e.

Proof

Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$, choose an upper function $g_n \geq f$ with $\int_{\mathbb{R}} g_n < \frac{1}{n}$. Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$, choose an upper function $g_n \geq f$ with $\int_{\mathbb{R}} g_n < \frac{1}{n}$. Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$, choose an upper function $g_n \geq f$ with $\int_{\mathbb{R}} g_n < \frac{1}{n}$.

Let $g = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=1}^m g_n$. Since we only know $f \geq 0$ a.e. we cannot assume $(\sum_{n=1}^m g_n)$ is increasing, to rectify this we use 4.17.

Let $N = \{x : f(x) \neq 0\}$ and let h_n be an upper function:

Let g_n be an upper function, then $g_n + h_n$ is an upper function $\uparrow \int_{\mathbb{R}} (g_n + h_n) < \frac{1}{n} + \frac{\epsilon}{2n}$. Let $g = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=1}^m (g_n + h_n)$.

Then g is an upper function and $\int_{\mathbb{R}} g = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}} (g_n + h_n)$ by 4.16.

Since g is an integrable upper function $\int_{\mathbb{R}} g = 1 + \epsilon$.

It is finite almost everywhere, that is, $g(x) < \infty$ for almost all x .

Now $g(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} g_n(x) + h_n(x) \geq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(x)$ (i.e. $f(x) + f(x) + \dots$) for almost all x .

So $f(x) = 0$ for almost all x . □

5.4 Corollary

If $f \in \mathcal{L}$ then $f = 0$ a.e. $\Leftrightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}} |f| = 0$.

Proof By 5.2 and 5.3. □

Remark.

Before we proceed to 5.5 we need

to introduce a technical device made necessary by our allowing functions to take non finite values. As you know in \mathbb{R}^* you cannot form $\infty - \infty$, this is an "illegal" move. But if f and g are integrable functions it is perfectly reasonable that there may exist $x \in \mathbb{R}$ for which $f(x) = \infty$ and $g(x) = -\infty$. This poses a problem; what is $f(x) + g(x)$?, i.e., how can we add the functions f and g together to form another function defined on all of \mathbb{R} ? The answer to this problem is to define $f(x) + g(x) = \infty$ at all points x where f and g take differing but infinite values. At all other points you just use the usual operations in \mathbb{R}^* . With this definition you can manipulate sums of functions with impunity. You might argue that it would be better to define $f(x) + g(x) = 0$. But look, if h also takes an infinite value at x ,

$$(f(x) + g(x)) + h(x) = (\infty - \infty) + \infty = 0 + \infty = \infty$$

$$\stackrel{\text{but then}}{=} h(x) + (f(x) + g(x)) = \infty + \infty = \infty$$

$$= (\infty + \infty) - \infty$$

$$= \infty - \infty = 0$$

But surely

$$(f(x) + g(x)) + h(x) = h(x) + (f(x) + g(x))$$

$$= (h(x) + f(x)) + g(x) ?$$

We'll obviously not if $x - x = 0$! So you
bugger up the algebraic operations with the definiti
Note however that, with our stated

definition

$$(f(x) + g(x)) + h(x) = (x - x) + x = x + x = x$$
$$f(x) + (g(x) + h(x)) = x + (-x + x) = x + x = x$$

So sums associate, and,

$$f(x) + g(x) = x + (-x) = x$$
$$g(x) + f(x) = (-x) + x = x$$

So sums commute.

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5.5 Theorem

Let $f, g, \dots, h \in \mathcal{L}$ and $\alpha, \beta, \dots \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

(i) $\alpha f + \beta g \in \mathcal{L}$, and $\int (\alpha f + \beta g) = \alpha \int f + \beta \int g$.

(ii) $f \leq g \Rightarrow \int f \leq \int g$.

(iii) $f \in \mathcal{L} \Rightarrow |f|, f^+, f^- \in \mathcal{L}$.

(iv) $f, g \in \mathcal{L} \Leftrightarrow \exists f \vee g \equiv x \mapsto \max\{f(x), g(x)\}$

(v) $f, g \in \mathcal{L} \Leftrightarrow \exists f \wedge g \equiv x \mapsto \min\{f(x), g(x)\}$

Proof (i) Exercise

(ii) Exercise

(iii) Exercise

(iv) From (iii) & (i)

$f \wedge g = \frac{1}{2}(f+g) - \frac{1}{2}|f-g|$
 $f \vee g = \frac{1}{2}(f+g) + \frac{1}{2}|f-g|$

The following result ties together our treatment of the measure of sets and the integral of functions

5.6 (Big) Theorem

Let $E \in \mathcal{R}$ then E is integrable $\Leftrightarrow \chi^E \in \mathcal{L}$.

Moreover $\mu E = \int \chi^E$ whenever E is integrable.

Proof { Let $\epsilon > 0$, E is integrable $\exists g$ outer and h inner with $g \geq E \geq h$ and $\mu(g \setminus h) < \epsilon$. Let $g = \chi^g$ and $h = \chi^h$ then (Ex) $\int g = \mu g$ and $\int h = \mu h$ and $\int g - \int h = \mu E = \mu E$.

Conversely if χ^E is integrable $\exists g$ upper and h lower, $h \leq \chi^E \leq g$

and $\int_{\mathbb{R}} (g-h) < \epsilon/2$. Let g be the limit of the increasing sequence of step functions (U_n) . If $G_n = \{x : U_n(x) \geq 1\}$ then G_n is a

basic set () and hence $G = \bigcup_n G_n$ is an outer set. Clearly $\mathbb{R} \setminus K = \{x : h(x) < k\}$

$E \subseteq G$. Let $K = \{x : h(x) \geq k\}$ then $\mathbb{R} \setminus K = \{x : h(x) < k\}$

() . Since K is bounded (Ex) it follows that K is an inner set.

Clearly $K \in E$. Now $G \setminus K$ is an outer set and $g-h$ is an

outer function. Both are 'integrable' so $(g-h)\chi_{G \setminus K}$ is an integrat

outer function. Now on $G \setminus K$ $g-h \geq k$ so

$(g-h)\chi_{G \setminus K} \geq k\chi_{G \setminus K}$ (in the sense of 4.13 (iv))

hence $\int_{\mathbb{R}} (g-h) \chi_{G \setminus K} \geq \int_{\mathbb{R}} k \chi_{G \setminus K}$ (i) $\int_{\mathbb{R}} \chi_{G \setminus K} = 1/2$

4.18 $\int_{\mathbb{R}} (g-h) \chi_{G \setminus K} \geq \int_{\mathbb{R}} (g-h) \chi_{G \setminus K} \geq \int_{\mathbb{R}} k \chi_{G \setminus K}$

4.18 $\int_{\mathbb{R}} (g-h) \chi_{G \setminus K} \geq \int_{\mathbb{R}} k \chi_{G \setminus K}$

So $k \int_{\mathbb{R}} \chi_{G \setminus K} = k(g-h) < \epsilon$. This shows E is integrable. \square

This proof is wrong

Take $g_n = (U_n)^{3/4}$ $K = (k \geq 1/4)$ etc.

Let $f, g, \dots, h \in \mathcal{L}$ and $\alpha, \beta, \dots \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

$$(i) \quad \alpha f + \beta g \in \mathcal{L} \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{\mathbb{R}} (\alpha f + \beta g) = \alpha \int_{\mathbb{R}} f + \beta \int_{\mathbb{R}} g$$

$$(ii) \quad f \leq g \implies \int_{\mathbb{R}} f \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} g$$

Proof

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Proof

(i) let $f \in \mathcal{L}$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. If $\alpha > 0$ and u is upper, l lower and, we can choose u, l so that $l \leq f \leq u$ and $\epsilon > 0$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} u < \int_{\mathbb{R}} f + \epsilon, \quad \int_{\mathbb{R}} f < \int_{\mathbb{R}} l + \epsilon$$

But then $\alpha l \leq \alpha f \leq \alpha u$ and αl is lower ~~and αu is upper.~~

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \alpha u = \alpha \int_{\mathbb{R}} u < \alpha \int_{\mathbb{R}} f + \alpha \frac{\epsilon}{\alpha} = \alpha \int_{\mathbb{R}} f + \epsilon$$

$$\alpha \int_{\mathbb{R}} f < \alpha \int_{\mathbb{R}} l + \alpha \frac{\epsilon}{\alpha} = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \alpha l + \epsilon$$

So that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \alpha f > \alpha \int_{\mathbb{R}} f + \epsilon > \int_{\mathbb{R}} \alpha f + 2\epsilon$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \alpha f < \alpha \int_{\mathbb{R}} f < \int_{\mathbb{R}} \alpha f + \epsilon$$

Since $\epsilon > 0$ is arbitrary

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \alpha f = \alpha \int_{\mathbb{R}} f$$

and $\alpha f \in \mathcal{L}$.

If $\alpha = 0$ the result is obvious.

If $\alpha < 0$ and u, ℓ, ϵ are as above then

$$\alpha u \leq \alpha f \leq \alpha \ell$$

but all is ^{now} lower, ~~all upper~~ and

$$\alpha \int_{\mathbb{R}} u > \alpha \int_{\mathbb{R}} f + \epsilon, \quad \alpha \int_{\mathbb{R}} f > \alpha \int_{\mathbb{R}} \ell + \epsilon.$$

Once again, $\alpha \int_{\mathbb{R}} u = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \alpha u$ and $\alpha \int_{\mathbb{R}} \ell = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \alpha \ell$

so that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \alpha f \geq \int_{\mathbb{R}} \alpha u = \alpha \int_{\mathbb{R}} u > \alpha \int_{\mathbb{R}} \ell + \epsilon$$

$$> \alpha \int_{\mathbb{R}} \ell + 2\epsilon$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}} \alpha \ell + 2\epsilon$$

$$\geq \int_{\mathbb{R}} \alpha f + 2\epsilon,$$

Argue as above to get,

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \alpha f = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \alpha f^* = \alpha \int_{\mathbb{R}} f$$

and $\alpha f \in \mathcal{L}$.

So

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} (f+g) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f + \int_{\mathbb{R}} g = \int_{\mathbb{R}} (f+g)^*$$

Thus $f+g \in \mathcal{L}$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} (u_f + u_g) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} u_f + \int_{\mathbb{R}} u_g < \int_{\mathbb{R}} f + \int_{\mathbb{R}} g + \epsilon$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}} f + \int_{\mathbb{R}} g - \epsilon$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} (r_f + r_g) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} r_f + \int_{\mathbb{R}} r_g > \int_{\mathbb{R}} f - \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \int_{\mathbb{R}} g - \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

and

$r_f + r_g$ is lower, $u_f + u_g$ is upper

$$r_f + r_g \leq f + g \leq u_f + u_g$$

infinite functions,

Now, bearing in mind our definition of the sum of possible

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} r_g > \int_{\mathbb{R}} g - \frac{\epsilon}{2}, \int_{\mathbb{R}} u_g < \int_{\mathbb{R}} g + \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} r_f > \int_{\mathbb{R}} f - \frac{\epsilon}{2}, \int_{\mathbb{R}} u_f < \int_{\mathbb{R}} f + \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

and

$$r_g \leq g \leq u_g$$

$$r_f \leq f \leq u_f$$

with,

If $f, g \in \mathcal{L}$ then for $\epsilon > 0$ there are upper functions u_f, u_g , lower functions r_f, r_g

(ii)

If $f \leq g$ and l is lower $l \leq f$ and u is upper $g \leq u$ then by 4.15 we know $\int_{\mathbb{R}} l \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} u$ because $u \geq l$. So taking the supremum of the left side of

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} l \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} u$$

over all lower $l \leq f$ gives

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} f \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} u.$$

Taking the infimum of the right side of the last inequality over all upper $u \geq g$ gives

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} f \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} g.$$

But $f, g \in \mathcal{L}$ so $\int_{\mathbb{R}} f = \int_{\mathbb{R}}^* f \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}}^* g = \int_{\mathbb{R}} g$.

Let $E \in \mathcal{R}$. E is integrable $\Leftrightarrow \chi^E \in \mathcal{L}$, and moreover

$$\mu E = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \chi^E \text{ whenever } E \text{ is integrable.}$$

Proof

Let $\epsilon > 0$. If E is an integrable set \exists G outer and H inner with $G \supseteq E \supseteq H$, and $\mu(G \setminus H) < \epsilon$. Let $g = \chi_G$, $h = \chi_H$. Then g is upper and h lower because G outer means there are basic sets $G_n \downarrow G$ now χ_{G_n} is a step function and $\chi_{G_n} \downarrow \chi_G$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}$ making g an upper function. A similar argument works for h using the fact that H is the intersection of a decreasing sequence of basic sets. It is clear then that $\int_{\mathbb{R}} g = \mu G$ and $\int_{\mathbb{R}} h = \mu H$ while

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} g - \int_{\mathbb{R}} h = \mu G - \mu H = \mu(G \setminus H) < \epsilon.$$

Now $h \leq \chi^E \leq g$ and so

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} h \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} \chi^E \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} g$$

Thus $\int_{\mathbb{R}} \chi^E - \int_{\mathbb{R}} g - \int_{\mathbb{R}} h < \epsilon$. Since $\epsilon > 0$ was arbitrary this shows χ^E is integrable. But what is $\int_{\mathbb{R}} \chi^E$? Well

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} h = \mu H \leq \mu E \leq \mu G = \int_{\mathbb{R}} g$$

and

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} h \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} \chi^E \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} g$$

So that $\int_{\mathbb{R}} \chi^E - \mu E \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} g - \int_{\mathbb{R}} h = \mu(g \setminus H) < \epsilon$

and we have $\int_{\mathbb{R}} \chi^E = \mu E$. Conversely let us suppose

$\chi^E \in \mathcal{I}$. There are functions g (upper), h (lower),

$$h \leq \chi^E \leq g \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{\mathbb{R}} (g-h) < \epsilon/2. \quad \text{If } g \text{ is}$$

the pointwise limit of the increasing sequence of step functions (u_n) and $g_n = \{x : u_n(x) \geq 3/4\}$ then g_n is a basic

set, $g_n \subseteq g_{n+1}$, and so $g = \bigcup_n g_n$ is an outer set

If $x \in E$ then $\chi^E(x) = 1 \leq g(x) = \lim_n u_n(x)$ and so

Now let K

be $\{x : h(x) \geq 1/4\}$. Consider $\mathbb{R} \setminus K = \{x : h(x) < 1/4\}$

$= \{x : -h(x) > -1/4\}$ and as $-h$ is upper this set

is outer (Exercise: if h is upper and $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $\{x : h(x) > \alpha\}$ is outer ^(why?) and $\mathbb{R} \setminus K$ is outer, so K is inner)

By 4. $g \setminus K$ is an outer set and as $g-h$ is

integrable $(g-h)\chi^{g \setminus K}$ is integrable (by 4.18). So

$$\frac{\epsilon}{2} > \int_{\mathbb{R}} (g-h) \chi^{g \setminus K} \geq \int_{\mathbb{R}} \chi^{g \setminus K} (g-h) \geq \int_{\mathbb{R}} \chi^{g \setminus K} \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad \text{5.5(iii)}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{5.5(i)}}{=} \frac{\epsilon}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \chi^{g \setminus K} = \frac{\epsilon}{2} \mu(g \setminus K).$$

(because $g-h \geq 1/2$ on $g \setminus K$)

This shows F is an integrable set, for $Q \subseteq F \subseteq K$,
 Q is outer, K inner, and $\mu(Q - K) < \epsilon$

5.1 Theorem Lebesgue's Monotone Convergence Theorem

Let (f_n) be a sequence of integrable functions with

$$f_n \leq f_{n+1}, n=1, 2, \dots \text{ and } f = \lim_n f_n \text{ and } \sup \int_n f_n < \infty$$

Then $f \in \mathcal{L}$ and $\int f = \lim_n \int f_n$.

Proof

For each n $f_n \leq f$ and there is a lower function

$$g_n \leq f_n \text{ with } \int_{\mathbb{R}} g_n \geq \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_n > \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_n - \frac{1}{n}, \text{ so that we must}$$

have $\lim_n \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_n \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} f$.

Define $g_n = f_{n+1} - f_n \geq 0$, so that $\sum_{k=1}^n g_k = f_{n+1} - f_1$

and $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} g_k = f - f_1$. By 5.5 (i) $g_n \in \mathcal{L}$ and

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n g_k \right) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} g_k = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_{n+1} - \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_1$$

hence

$$\lim_n \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n g_k \right) = \lim_n \sum_{k=1}^n \int_{\mathbb{R}} g_k = \lim_n \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} f_{n+1} \right) - \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_1$$

Let $\epsilon > 0$ and for each n let h_n be an integrable upper

function satisfying

$$h_n \geq g_n \text{ and } \int_{\mathbb{R}} h_n < \int_{\mathbb{R}} g_n + \epsilon/2^n$$

By 4.16 $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} h_k$ is an upper function and

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} h_k \right) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}} h_k \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} g_k + \epsilon/2^k \right) = \lim_n \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_{n+1} - \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_1 + \epsilon$$

Proof

Exercise (application of 5.7), you will need 5.1 for (ii) perhaps

and $\int_{\mathbb{R}} g = \sum_n \int_{\mathbb{R}} g_n$.

a.e. and $\sum_n \int_{\mathbb{R}} g_n < \infty$. Then $g = \sum_n g_n \in \mathcal{L}$

(ii) Let (g_n) be a sequence of integrable functions with $g_n \geq 0$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} f = \lim_n \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_n$$

(i) Let (f_n) be a decreasing sequence of integrable functions with $\inf_n \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_n > -\infty$. Then $\lim_n f_n = f \in \mathcal{L}$ and

5.8 Corollary

And so

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} f^* = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f$$

$f \in \mathcal{L}$. \square

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} f^* \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} f$$

$$\lim_n \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_n \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} f$$

Now $\int_{\mathbb{R}} f^* = \int_{\mathbb{R}} (f - f_1)^* + f_1 = \int_{\mathbb{R}} (f - f_1)^* + \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_1$

this says that $\int_{\mathbb{R}} (f - f_1)^* \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} (\sum_1^{\infty} h_n) \leq \lim_n \int_{\mathbb{R}} h_n - \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_1$

So $\sum_1^{\infty} h_n \geq \sum_1^{\infty} g_n = f - f_1$ and $\forall \epsilon > 0$ $\int_{\mathbb{R}} (\sum_1^{\infty} h_n) < \lim_n \int_{\mathbb{R}} h_n - \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_1 + \epsilon$

5.9 Theorem

Let $f \in \mathcal{L}$. Then $|f| \in \mathcal{L}$ as f^+ and f^- .

Proof

Let u, v be upper functions, $u_n \in \mathcal{S}, v_n \in \mathcal{S}$ with

$u_n \downarrow u$ and $v_n \downarrow v$. Then $u_n \wedge v_n \in \mathcal{S}$ and $u_n \wedge v_n$

increases to $u \wedge v$. So the minimum of two upper functions

is an upper function.

Let $f \in \mathcal{L}$ and $\forall n$ u_n be an upper function

with $u_n \geq f$ and $\int u_n < \int f + \frac{1}{n}$. Now define

$$h_1 = u_1, h_2 = u_1 \vee u_2, h_3 = u_1 \vee u_2 \vee u_3, \dots, h_n = \bigvee_{l=1}^n u_l, \dots$$

then (h_n) is a decreasing sequence of upper functions, and

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} f \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} h_n \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} u_n \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} f + \frac{1}{n} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{centre} \\ \text{please Jane} \end{array} \right)$$

So $\lim_n \int_{\mathbb{R}} h_n = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f$. But by the monotone convergence theorem

$\lim_n h_n = h \in \mathcal{L}$ and clearly $h \geq f$, because $h_n \geq f$,

and also $\int (h-f) = 0$. So by 5.1 $h = f$ a.e.

Now $h_n \uparrow h$ pointwise so $h_n \downarrow h$ pointwise.

Now h_n is an upper function and $h_n \uparrow$ and since

$h_n \geq 0$ $\forall n$ we must have $\inf \int_{\mathbb{R}} h_n > -\infty$. Using monotone

convergence we deduce that $h^+ = \lim_n h_n^+ \in \mathcal{L}$. Now

$h(x) = f(x)$ for μ almost every $x \in \mathbb{R}$, by discarding a null set N

We have $h(x) = f(x)$ for $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus N$. So $h(x) = f(x)$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}$.
 for $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus N$ or $f_+ = h_+$ for μ almost every $x \in \mathbb{R}$.
 But 5.1 now tells us that in this case $f_+ \in \mathcal{L}$. So
 $f \in \mathcal{L} \Rightarrow f_+ \in \mathcal{L}$. If $f \in \mathcal{L}$ and $f_+ \in \mathcal{L}$ then derivability
 $f_- \in \mathcal{L}$ and so $|f| = f_+ + f_- \in \mathcal{L}$ (by 5.5(i) in each case)

5.9 Theorem (VIT)

Suppose $(g_n) \subset \mathcal{L}$ and $\sum \int |g_n| < \infty$ then

(i) $\sum g_n(x)$ converges μ -a.e. and $g(x) = \sum g_n(x)$ if $\int \sum g_n(x) < \infty$ if not 0

is an integrable function.

(ii) $\int g = \int \sum g_n = \sum \int g_n$

Proof (19_{n1}) is a sequence of non negative integrable functions (5.9). Hence by 5.8(ii) $\sum |19_{n1}| \in \mathcal{L}$.

So $\sum |19_{n1}(x)|$ is finite a.e. (Ex.). Hence $\sum g_n(x)$

is (absolutely) convergent a.e. Let g be as in (i) and

above. Now $g_n = g_n^+ - g_n^-$ and $g_n^+ \geq 0$ and

$|19_{n1}| = g_n^+ + g_n^- \geq g_n^+$. So $\int g_n^+ \leq \int |19_{n1}|$ and

hence $\sum \int g_n^+ \leq \sum \int |19_{n1}| < \infty$. Thus $\sum g_n^+ \in \mathcal{L}$

by 5.8(iii) and

$\int \sum g_n^+ = \sum \int g_n^+$

For almost every x $g(x) = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=1}^m \{g_n^+(x) - g_n^-(x)\}$

$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} g_n^+(x) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} g_n^-(x)$

and $\sum g_n^+$ and $\sum g_n^-$ are integrable. This shows that g is

(ii) read the argument either with + or with - exclusively.

equal (a.e.) to the difference of two integrable functions, which is again an integrable function (5.5(ii)). Apply 5.1 to conclude $g \in \mathcal{L}$. Now, (5.1 again),

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} g = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(\sum_{n^+} g_n^+ - \sum_{n^-} g_n^- \right)$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}} \sum_{n^+} g_n^+ - \int_{\mathbb{R}} \sum_{n^-} g_n^-$$

integral is linear

$$= \sum_{n^+} \int_{\mathbb{R}} g_n^+ - \sum_{n^-} \int_{\mathbb{R}} g_n^-$$

by 5.8(ii) i.e. Monotone convergence

$$= \sum_{n^+} \int_{\mathbb{R}} g_n^+ - \int_{\mathbb{R}} g_n^-$$

(series converge abs)

$$= \sum_{n^+} \int_{\mathbb{R}} g_n^+ - g_n^-$$

integral is linear

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}} g_n$$

$g_n \equiv g_n^+ - g_n^-$

□