

Lesson 24

24.1

Thm: A bounded function $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is Riemann integrable if and only if f is continuous λ -a.e. on $[a, b]$.

Proof:

\Leftarrow Assume that f is continuous λ -a.e. on $[a, b]$. Then $\exists N \subset [a, b]$, $\lambda(N) = 0$ such that f is continuous at each $x \notin N$.

Let $\{P_k\}$ be any sequence of partitions of $[a, b]$ such that $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|P_k\| = 0$.

Let $P = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} P_k$, $P_k = \{x_0^k, x_1^k, \dots, x_{m_k}^k\}$. Then

$$\lambda(N \cup P) = 0$$

Recall the functions u_k, l_k defined in previous theorem:

$$u_k(x) = \sup_{t \in [x_{i-1}^k, x_i^k]} f(t), \quad x \in [x_{i-1}^k, x_i^k], \quad 1 \leq i \leq m_k$$

$$l_k(x) = \inf_{t \in [x_{i-1}^k, x_i^k]} f(t), \quad x \in [x_{i-1}^k, x_i^k], \quad 1 \leq i \leq m_k.$$

We now fix $x \notin \mathbb{NUP}$.

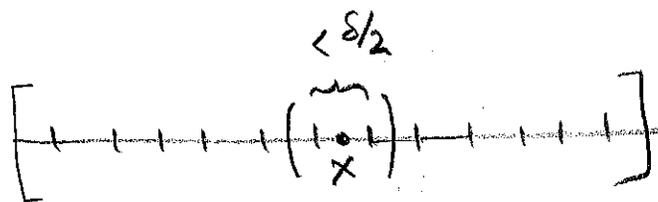
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Claim: $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (u_k(x) - l_k(x)) = 0$

Let $\epsilon > 0$, since f is continuous at x then $\exists \delta > 0$ such that

$$|y - x| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(y)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}. \text{ Let}$$

There exists k_0 such that $\|P_k\| < \frac{\delta}{2}, \forall k \geq k_0$.



$$k > k_0 \\ N_\delta = (x - \delta, x + \delta)$$

Let $k > k_0$, then x belongs to some $[x_{i-1}^k, x_i^k]$. Thus:

$$u_k(x) - l_k(x) = \sup_{y \in [x_{i-1}^k, x_i^k]} f(y) - \inf_{y \in [x_{i-1}^k, x_i^k]} f(y)$$

$$\quad \quad \quad \parallel \quad \quad \quad \parallel \\ \quad \quad \quad M_i^k \quad \quad \quad m_i^k$$

$$= M_i^k - m_i^k$$

$$= M_i^k - f(x) + f(x) - m_i^k$$

$$\leq \left| \sup_{y \in N_\delta} f(y) - f(x) \right| + \left| f(x) - \inf_{y \in N_\delta} f(y) \right|$$

Hence

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$$\begin{aligned}u_k(x) - l_k(x) &= \left| \lim_{y_i \in N_\delta} f(y_i) - f(x) \right| \\ &\quad + \left| f(x) - \lim_{y_j \in N_\delta} f(y_j) \right| \\ &= \lim_{y_i \in N_\delta} |f(y_i) - f(x)| \\ &\quad + \lim_{y_j \in N_\delta} |f(x) - f(y_j)| \\ &\leq \sup_{y \in N_\delta} |f(y) - f(x)| + \sup_{y \in N_\delta} |f(x) - f(y)| \\ &= 2 \sup_{y \in N_\delta} |f(y) - f(x)| \\ &\leq 2\left(\frac{\epsilon}{2}\right) = \epsilon, \quad \forall k \geq k_0.\end{aligned}$$

thus

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (u_k(x) - l_k(x)) = 0, \quad x \notin NUP.$$

By LDCT; since $|u_k - l_k| \leq 2 \sup_{[a,b]} f$,

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (U(P_k) - L(P_k)) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{[a,b]} (u_k - l_k) d\lambda$$

$$= 0$$

$$\therefore \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (U(P_k) - L(P_k)) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is Riemann integrable

\Rightarrow Assume now that $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is Riemann integrable. (24.4)

Let $\{P_k\}$ be a sequence of partitions of $[a, b]$ such that

$$P_k \subset P_{k+1} \text{ and}$$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|P_k\| = 0.$$

Let:
$$P = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} P_k.$$

Consider the functions u_k, l_k previously defined, and their limits

$$u(x) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} u_k(x), \quad l(x) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} l_k(x)$$

It was proved in the previous Theorem that $u = l$ λ -a.e. Then, $\exists N, \lambda(N) = 0$. Thus $\lambda(N \cup P) = 0$. Fix $x \notin N \cup P$.

Claim: f is continuous at x .

Let $\varepsilon > 0$, then $\exists K$ such that

$$u_k(x) - l_k(x) < \varepsilon.$$

For this K , x belongs to one of the subintervals $[x_{j-1}^k, x_j^k)$ for some $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, m_k\}$.

Then :

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$y \in (x_{j-1}^k, x_j^k)$ implies :

$$f(y) - f(x) \leq \sup_{t \in [x_{j-1}^k, x_j^k]} f(t) - \inf_{t \in [x_{j-1}^k, x_j^k]} f(t)$$

$$= U_k(x) - l_k(x); \text{ since } x \in [x_{j-1}^k, x_j^k)$$

$$\leq \varepsilon$$

In the same way :

$$f(x) - f(y) \leq U_k(x) - l_k(x) \leq \varepsilon$$

$$\therefore |f(x) - f(y)| \leq \varepsilon \text{ if } |y - x| < \delta,$$

$$\text{where } \delta = \min \{x - x_{j-1}^k, x_j^k - x\}$$

$\therefore f$ is continuous at each $x \notin NUP$

$\therefore f$ is continuous at λ -a.e. $x \in [a, b]$

Improper integrals.

Def: $a \in \mathbb{R}$, $f: [a, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function that is Riemann integrable on each subinterval of $[a, \infty)$.

The improper integral of f is defined as:

$$(I) \int_a^\infty f(x) dx := \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} (R) \int_a^b f(x) dx \quad (*)$$

If $(*)$ is finite we say that the improper integral of f exist

We have the theorem:

Thm: Let $f: [a, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a nonnegative function that is Riemann integrable on any subinterval of $[a, b]$. Then

$$(I) \int_a^\infty f d\lambda = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} (R) \int_a^b f dx$$

Thus, f is Lebesgue integrable on $[a, \infty)$ if and only if the improper integral $\int_a^\infty f(x) dx$ exists. Moreover, in this case, $\int_a^\infty f(x) d\lambda = (I) \int_a^\infty f(x) dx$

Proof: Let $b_n, n=1, 2, 3, \dots$ be any sequence with $b_n \rightarrow \infty, b_n > a$. We define

$$f_n = f \chi_{[a, b_n]}, \quad n=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Then the Monotone Convergence Theorem yields:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^\infty f \, d\lambda &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^\infty f_n \, d\lambda; \quad f_n \leq f_{n+1} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{[a, b_n]} f \, d\lambda \end{aligned}$$

Since f is Riemann integrable on each interval $[a, b_n]$, then Theorem 157.1 yields:

$$\int_{[a, b_n]} f \, d\lambda = (R) \int_a^{b_n} f \, dx$$

and we conclude:

$$\int_a^\infty f \, d\lambda = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (R) \int_a^{b_n} f \, dx$$

The second part of the Theorem follows by noticing that both terms in (1) are both finite or ∞ at the same time.

If $f: [a, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ takes negative values, then we have:

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Thm: Let $f: [a, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be Riemann integrable on every subinterval of $[a, \infty)$. Then f is Lebesgue integrable if and only if the improper integral (I) $\int_a^\infty |f(x)| dx$ exists. Moreover, in this case,

$$\int_a^\infty f d\lambda = (I) \int_a^\infty f(x) dx.$$

Proof: Let $f = f^+ - f^-$

f Leb. int on $[a, \infty) \Rightarrow f^+, f^-$ Leb. int. on $[a, \infty)$

Previous Thm \Rightarrow

(I) $\int_a^\infty f^+ dx$ and (I) $\int_a^\infty f^- dx$ exist.

Let $\{b_n\}$, $b_n \rightarrow \infty$, $b_n > a$. Then; from

previous Thm:

$$(1) \int_a^\infty f^+ d\lambda = (I) \int_a^\infty f^+ dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (R) \int_a^{b_n} f^+ dx$$

$$(2) \int_a^\infty f^- d\lambda = (I) \int_a^\infty f^- dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (R) \int_a^{b_n} f^- dx.$$

Note:

$$(R) \int_a^{b_n} f dx = (R) \int_a^{b_n} f^+ dx - (R) \int_a^{b_n} f^- dx$$

From (1) + (2):

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (R) \int_a^{b_n} f dx$ exists and moreover:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (R) \int_a^{b_n} f dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (R) \int_a^{b_n} f^+ dx - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (R) \int_a^{b_n} f^- dx,$$

which implies that the improper integral $\int_a^\infty f dx$ exists and:

$$\int_a^\infty f dx = \int_a^\infty f^+ d\lambda - \int_a^\infty f^- d\lambda = \int_a^\infty f d\lambda$$

Analogously,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (R) \int_a^{b_n} |f| dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (R) \int_a^{b_n} f^+ dx + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (R) \int_a^{b_n} f^- dx$$

$< \infty$, by (1) and (2),

and therefore the improper integral

$$(II) \int_a^\infty |f| dx \text{ exists and } (I) \int_a^\infty |f| dx = \int_a^\infty f^+ d\lambda + \int_a^\infty f^- d\lambda = \int_a^\infty |f| d\lambda$$

Converse is proved in a similar way.