

1. Set $g = f - a$ so that

$$\int_E g \, d\mu \leq 0, \quad \text{all } E \in \mathcal{A}.$$

Now choose $E = \{g > 0\}$ to obtain

$$0 \geq \int_E g \, d\mu = \int_{\{g>0\}} g \, d\mu = \int_X g \, 1_{\{g>0\}} \, d\mu \geq 0$$

as $g \, 1_{\{g>0\}} \geq 0$, μ -almost everywhere. Hence

$$\int_X g \, 1_{\{g>0\}} \, d\mu = 0.$$

It follows that

$$E = \{g \, 1_{\{g>0\}} > 0\} = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ g \, 1_{\{g>0\}} > \frac{1}{n} \right\}$$

is a μ -null set, since

$$\mu(\{g \, 1_{\{g>0\}} > 1/n\}) \leq n \int_X g \, 1_{\{g>0\}} \, d\mu = 0$$

and a countable union of null sets is a null set (subadditivity of measures). Hence $f \leq a$, μ -a.e.

Alternative: Assume $E = \{g > 0\}$ has positive measure, $\mu(E) > 0$. Then

$$\int_E f \, d\mu > \int_E a \, d\mu = a\mu(E) \geq \int_E f \, d\mu,$$

again using the special assumption in this problem. This is a contradiction and the conclusion is $\mu(E) = 0$.

2. To find the limit

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \int_0^1 (1+x)^{-n} (1 - \sin x) \, dx,$$

a variable substitution from x to nx yields

$$n \int_0^1 (1+x)^{-n} (1 - \sin x) \, dx = \int_0^n f_n(x) \, dx, \quad f_n(x) = 1_{\{x \leq n\}} \left(1 + \frac{x}{n}\right)^{-n} \left(1 - \sin \frac{x}{n}\right).$$

For every fixed $x > 0$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$, $1_{\{x \leq n\}} \rightarrow 1$, $(1+x/n)^{-n} \rightarrow e^{-x}$ and $1 - \sin(x/n) \rightarrow 1$, and thus $f_n(x) \rightarrow e^{-x}$.

We want to apply dominated convergence, and we thus seek a dominating function that is integrable.

Method 1. Use the Taylor series expansion, for $0 \leq x \leq 1$,

$$\ln(1+x) = \left(x - \frac{x^2}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4}\right) + \cdots \geq x - \frac{x^2}{2} \geq x/2.$$

Hence, for $0 \leq x \leq n$,

$$\left(1 + \frac{x}{n}\right)^{-n} = e^{-n \ln(1+x/n)} \leq e^{-nx/2n} = e^{-x/2}$$

and thus, since $f_n(x) = 0$ for $x > n$,

$$|f_n(x)| \leq 2e^{-x/2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad n \geq 1.$$

Method 2. Use that $(1 + x/n)^n$ is an increasing function in n , for every $x \geq 0$. Thus,

$$\left(1 + \frac{x}{n}\right)^{-n} \leq \left(1 + \frac{x}{2}\right)^{-2} \leq \frac{1}{1+x},$$

and

$$|f_n(x)| \leq 2(1 + x/2)^{-2}, \quad x \geq 0,$$

which is integrable (the rightmost bound above is *not* integrable).

Method 3. For example, use the binomial theorem to find a lower bound of $(1 + x/n)^n$.

Now, the dominated convergence theorem applies and we conclude that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^\infty f_n(x) dx = \int_0^\infty \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) dx = \int_0^\infty e^{-x} dx = 1.$$

Alternative. Rewrite as

$$n \int_0^1 (1+x)^{-n} (1 - \sin x) dx = n \int_0^1 (1+x)^{-n} dx - n \int_0^1 (1+x)^{-n} \sin x dx,$$

evaluate the first integral and apply the DCT to the second using $\sin x \leq x$ to obtain a dominating function, which is integrable.

3. Since every subset is measurable, all functions f and f_n are measurable with respect to \mathcal{F} .

A sequence f_n is said to converge to f in measure with respect to μ , if $\mu(\{|f_n - f| > \varepsilon\}) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, for each $\varepsilon > 0$. In particular, if f_n converges to f in counting measure μ we can find N such that $\mu(\{z \in \mathbb{Z} : |f_n(z) - f(z)| > \varepsilon\}) < 1/2$ whenever $n \geq N$. But then $|f_n(z) - f(z)| \leq \varepsilon$ for each integer z , and hence $\sup_{z \in \mathbb{Z}} |f_n(z) - f(z)| \leq \varepsilon$, for $n \geq N$.

Conversely, assuming f_n converges uniformly to f , fix ε and take n so large that $\sup_{z \in \mathbb{Z}} |f_n(z) - f(z)| \leq \varepsilon$. Then $\{z : |f_n(z) - f(z)| > \varepsilon\}$ is a μ -zero set for such n and hence, obviously, $\mu\{z : |f_n(z) - f(z)| > \varepsilon\} \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

4. Writing

$$F(x, y) = f^2(x)g^2(y) + f^2(y)g^2(x) - G(x, y), \quad G(x, y) = 2f(x)f(y)g(x)g(y),$$

we observe that

$$|G(x, y)| \leq f^2(x)g^2(y) + f^2(y)g^2(x)$$

and

$$F(x, y) \leq f^2(x)g^2(y) + f^2(y)g^2(x) + |G(x, y)| \leq 2(f^2(x)g^2(y) + f^2(y)g^2(x)).$$

Hence

$$\int_{X \times X} |G(x, y)| d(\mu \otimes \mu) \leq 2 \int_{X \times X} f^2 g^2 d(\mu \otimes \mu),$$

where the factor 2 is from the symmetry in the variables x and y , and

$$\int_{X \times X} F(x, y) d(\mu \otimes \mu) \leq 4 \int_{X \times X} f^2 g^2 d(\mu \otimes \mu).$$

As the measure space is σ -finite we can apply Fubini's theorem. Fubini's theorem for non-negative functions (Fubini-Tonelli) implies

$$\int_{X \times X} f^2 g^2 d(\mu \otimes \mu) = \int_X f^2(x) \left(\int_X g^2(y) d\mu(y) \right) d\mu(x) = \int_X f^2 d\mu \int_X g^2 d\mu < \infty,$$

since f and g are square-integrable, Thus, we have shown that F is integrable on the product space. Moreover, $|G|$ is integrable and hence G is. By the regular Fubini's theorem for signed functions, we obtain

$$\int_{X \times X} G(x, y) d(\mu \otimes \mu) = 2 \int_X fg d\mu \int_X fg d\mu < \infty.$$

Furthermore,

$$\int_{X \times X} F(x, y) d(\mu \otimes \mu) = 2 \left(\int_X f^2 d\mu \int_X g^2 d\mu - \int_X fg d\mu \int_X fg d\mu \right) \geq 0$$

and therefore

$$\left| \int_X fg d\mu \right| \leq \sqrt{\int_X f^2 d\mu} \sqrt{\int_X g^2 d\mu},$$

which is the desired Cauchy-Schwarz inequality.

5. Let λ be the σ -finite measure $\lambda = \mu + \nu$. Then $\mu \ll \lambda$ and $\nu \ll \lambda$. By the Radon-Nikodym theorem there exists nonnegative functions g and h such that for every E in \mathcal{A} ,

$$\mu(E) = \int_E g d\lambda \quad \text{and} \quad \nu(E) = \int_E h d\lambda.$$

Let $A = \{x \in X : g(x)h(x) > 0\}$ and $B = A^c$. If $E \in \mathcal{A}$ and $E \subset A$ then $\mu(E)$ implies $\lambda(E) = 0$ since $g > 0$ on A , and therefore, $\nu(E) = 0$. Thus $\nu \ll \mu$ on A . By symmetry we can prove $\mu \ll \nu$ on A in the same manner. Hence, μ and ν are equivalent on A .

Next, we partition B as $B = C \cup D$, where

$$C = \{x : h(x) = 0\}, \quad D = B \setminus C = \{x : h(x) > 0, g(x) = 0\}.$$

For all measurable sets $E \subset C$ and $F \subset D$ we then have $\mu(E) = \nu(F) = 0$. Hence, indeed, μ and ν are singular measures on B .

6. We have

$$G(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-|y|} f(x-y) dy, \quad x \in \mathbb{R},$$

where $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a Lebesgue integrable function. Then there exists a unique signed measure μ_G on \mathbb{R} , such that $\mu_G((-\infty, x]) = G(x)$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$, if and only if 1) G is right-continuous, 2) G satisfies $G(x) \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow -\infty$, and 3) G has bounded variation.

Letting h be the exponential function $h(x) = e^{-|x|}$, G is the convolution $G = h * f$. By a general result, the convolution of a continuous function with an integrable function is continuous, which implies the weaker property 1). This follows from Lebesgue's dominated convergence theorem as sequential continuity. Indeed, let $(c_n)_{n \geq 1}$ be a sequence of real numbers that converges to a real number c . Then

$$G(c_n) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-|c_n - y|} f(y) dy \rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-|c - y|} f(y) dy = G(c).$$

Similarly, 2) follows from the DCT, as $G(c_n) \rightarrow 0$ whenever $c_n \rightarrow -\infty$.

To prove 3), let $\{x_k\}$ be a partition of the real line, $-\infty < x_0 < x_1 < \cdots < x_n < \infty$. Then

$$\sum_{k=1}^n |G(x_k) - G(x_{k-1})| \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} \sum_{k=1}^n |h(x_k - y) - h(x_{k-1} - y)| |f(y)| dy.$$

Now, the exponential function h has bounded variation. One way to see this is to write h as a difference of two increasing functions. Thus, taking the supremum over all partitions, there is a finite constant C such that

$$\sup_{\{x_k\}} |h(x_k) - h(x_{k-1})| \leq C.$$

Hence

$$\sup_{\{x_k\}} \sum_{i=1}^n |G(x_k) - G(x_{k-1})| \leq C \int_{\mathbb{R}} |f(y)| dy < \infty,$$

which completes the proof of 3) and hence the proof of existence of μ_G .

7. Since f is an absolutely continuous function on $[0, 1]$ with $f(0) = 0$,

$$f(t) = \int_0^t f'(y) dy,$$

where f' exists almost everywhere. By Hölder's inequality with conjugate exponents $p = 4$ and $q = 4/3$,

$$|f(t)| \leq \int_0^t |f'(y)| dy \leq \left(\int_0^t |f'(y)|^4 dy \right)^{1/4} t^{3/4} < \infty,$$

since $f' \in L^4$. Moreover,

$$\frac{|f(t)|^4}{t^3} \leq \int_0^t |f'(y)|^4 dy \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0.$$

Also, for every $\varepsilon > 0$,

$$\frac{|f(t)|^4}{t^{4-\varepsilon}} \leq \int_0^t |f'(y)|^4 dy t^{\varepsilon-1}, \quad t > 0,$$

and therefore, using Fubini's theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \frac{|f(t)|^4}{t^{4-\varepsilon}} dt &\leq \int_0^1 \int_0^t |f'(y)|^4 dy t^{\varepsilon-1} dt \\ &= \int_0^1 |f'(y)|^4 \int_y^1 t^{\varepsilon-1} dt dy \leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \int_0^1 |f'(y)|^4 dy < \infty. \end{aligned}$$