

## Comprehensive Exam, Spring 2005 (Analysis)

**Problem 1:** Show that the closed interval  $[0, 1]$  is not the disjoint union of a countably infinite family of disjoint nonempty closed sets  $\{A_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ .

**Solution:** Suppose  $[0, 1] = \sum_{n \geq 1} A_n$ . Denote  $U_n = \text{int}A_n$ . Then

$$\emptyset \neq X = [0, 1] \setminus \sum_{n \geq 1} U_n = \sum_{n \geq 1} (A_n \setminus U_n)$$

is complete with metric inherited from  $[0, 1]$ . Therefore by the Baire Category Theorem there exist  $n_0$  and an open interval  $V$  such that  $\emptyset \neq X \cap V \subset A_{n_0}$ . We claim that then  $V \cap U_n = \emptyset$  for  $n \neq n_0$ .

Let  $V = (a, b)$  and let  $x \in X \cap V$ . Suppose that  $y \in V \cap U_n$ . Without loss of generality we may assume that  $x < y$ . Then there must exist a point  $z \in A_n \setminus U_n$  such that  $a < x < z < y < b$ . This implies that  $z \in X \cap V$ , which implies that  $z \in A_{n_0}$ . This is a contradiction as  $A_n$  and  $A_{n_0}$  are disjoint.

Therefore we must have  $V \subset X \cup U_{n_0}$  and so  $V = (V \cap X) \cup (V \cap U_{n_0}) \subset A_{n_0}$ . Thus  $V \subset U_{n_0}$  which contradicts that  $\emptyset \neq X \cap V$ .

**Problem 2:** Let  $\mu(\Omega) < +\infty$  and let  $f_n : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, n \geq 1, f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be integrable functions such that  $0 \leq f_n \rightarrow f$  a.e., and  $\int f_n d\mu \rightarrow \int f d\mu$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Show that

$$\limsup_{a \rightarrow \infty} \int_{n \geq 1} \int_{\{f_n \geq a\}} f_n d\mu = 0.$$

**Solution:** Let  $\epsilon > 0$  and let  $\delta > 0$  be such that whenever  $\mu(E) \leq \delta$  then  $\int_E f d\mu \leq \epsilon$ . (This is possible since  $f$  is integrable.) Since  $\int f_n d\mu \rightarrow \int f d\mu$ ,  $\int f_n d\mu$  are uniformly bounded. Therefore there exists  $a_1$  such that  $\mu(\{f_n \geq a_1\}) \leq \delta$  for all  $n \geq 1$ .

Denote  $B_n = \{|f_n - f| \leq \epsilon\}$ . By Egoroff's Theorem there exists  $n_1$  such that  $\mu(\Omega \setminus B_n) \leq \delta$  for  $n \geq n_1$ . Finally let  $n_2$  be such that

$$\int_{\Omega} (f_n - f) d\mu \leq \epsilon$$

for  $n \geq n_2$ . Then for  $n \geq \max(n_1, n_2)$  and  $a \geq a_1$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\{f_n \geq a\}} f_n d\mu &\leq \int_{\{f_n \geq a\} \cap B_n} f_n d\mu + \int_{\Omega \setminus B_n} f_n d\mu \\
&\leq \int_{\{f_n \geq a\} \cap B_n} (|f_n - f| + f) d\mu + \int_{\Omega \setminus B_n} (f_n - f) d\mu + \int_{\Omega \setminus B_n} f d\mu \\
&\leq \int_{\{f_n \geq a\} \cap B_n} (\epsilon + f) d\mu + \int_{\Omega} (f_n - f) d\mu + \int_{B_n} |f_n - f| d\mu + \int_{\Omega \setminus B_n} f d\mu \\
&\leq \delta\epsilon + \epsilon + \epsilon + \mu(\Omega)\epsilon + \epsilon = \epsilon(3 + \delta + \mu(\Omega)).
\end{aligned}$$

We now take  $a_2$  such that

$$\int_{\{f_n \geq a_2\}} f_n d\mu \leq \epsilon \quad \text{for } n = 1, \dots, \max(n_1, n_2).$$

Then for  $a \geq \max(a_1, a_2)$  and all  $n \geq 1$  we have

$$\sup_{n \geq 1} \int_{\{f_n \geq a\}} f_n d\mu \leq \epsilon(3 + \delta + \mu(\Omega))$$

which proves the claim.

**Problem 3:** Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  be a measure space. Let  $0 < p < 1$  and  $-\infty < q < 0$  be such that  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ . Let  $f, g$  be positive measurable functions such that  $f^p$  and  $g^q$  are integrable. Assume also that  $fg$  is integrable. Prove that

$$\left( \int_{\Omega} f^p d\mu \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_{\Omega} g^q d\mu \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq \int_{\Omega} fg d\mu.$$

**Solution:** Set  $r = \frac{1}{p}, s = -\frac{q}{p}$ . Then

$$\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{s} = p - \frac{p}{q} = p\left(1 - \frac{1}{q}\right) = 1.$$

Moreover  $(fg)^p \in L^r, g^{-p} \in L^s$ . Therefore by Hölder inequality

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\Omega} f^p d\mu &= \int_{\Omega} (fg)^p g^{-p} d\mu \leq \left( \int_{\Omega} (fg)^{\frac{p}{p}} d\mu \right)^p \left( \int_{\Omega} g^{-p(-\frac{q}{p})} d\mu \right)^{-\frac{p}{q}} \\
&= \left( \int_{\Omega} fg d\mu \right)^p \left( \int_{\Omega} g^q d\mu \right)^{-\frac{p}{q}}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore we obtain that

$$\left( \int_{\Omega} f^p d\mu \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq \left( \int_{\Omega} fg d\mu \right) \left( \int_{\Omega} g^q d\mu \right)^{-\frac{1}{q}}$$

which proves the inequality.

**Problem 4:** Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence of pairwise orthogonal vectors in a Hilbert space  $H$ . Show that the following are equivalent:

- (a)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  converges in the norm topology of  $H$ .
- (b)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|x_n\|^2 < +\infty$ .
- (c)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \langle x_n, y \rangle$  converges for every  $y \in H$ .

**Solution:** (b)  $\Rightarrow$  (a): Since  $\langle x_i, x_j \rangle = 0$  if  $i \neq j$ , we have

$$\|x_n + \dots + x_m\|^2 = \|x_n\|^2 + \dots + \|x_m\|^2$$

whenever  $n \leq m$ . Therefore (b) implies that the partial sums of  $\sum x_n$  form a Cauchy sequence in  $H$  which, by completeness of  $H$  implies (a).

(a)  $\Rightarrow$  (c) By the Schwarz inequality

$$|\langle x_n, y \rangle + \dots + \langle x_m, y \rangle| \leq \|x_n + \dots + x_m\| \|y\|$$

whenever  $n \leq m$  and so the series in (c) converges.

(c)  $\Rightarrow$  (b) Denote  $y_n = x_1 + \dots + x_n$  for  $n \geq 1$ . Then (c) implies that  $(y_n)$  converges weakly in  $H$  and so there exists  $C$  such that  $\|y_n\| \leq C$ . But since the  $x_n$  are pairwise orthogonal we have

$$\|x_1\|^2 + \dots + \|x_n\|^2 = \|x_1 + \dots + x_n\|^2 = \|y_n\|^2 \leq C^2$$

for every  $n \geq 1$ . This implies (b).

**Problem 5:** Let  $\{E_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of Lebesgue measurable subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $m(E_k) \rightarrow 0$ , where  $m(A)$  denote the Lebesgue measure of  $A \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ .

- (a) Show that there exists a subsequence  $\{E_{k_n}\}$  such that  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_{k_n} = \bigcap_{N=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{n=N}^{\infty} E_{k_n}$  has Lebesgue measure zero.

- (b) In general, does  $m(E_k) \rightarrow 0$  imply  $m(\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} E_k) = 0$ ?

**Solution:**

- (a) Choose an increasing sequence  $k_n \uparrow \infty$  such that  $m(E_{k_n}) < 2^{-n}$ . In order for this to hold, we just need to pick large enough  $k_n$ , since  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} m(E_k) = 0$ .

Denote  $E = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_{k_n}$ . For every  $N$ , we have  $E \subset \bigcup_{n=N}^{\infty} E_{k_n}$  and hence

$$m(E) \leq m\left(\bigcup_{n=N}^{\infty} E_{k_n}\right) \leq \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} m(E_{k_n}).$$

From  $m(E_{k_n}) < 2^{-n}$  it follows that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} m(E_{k_n}) < \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{-n} < \infty$ . Hence, the partial sum  $\sum_{n=N}^{\infty} m(E_{k_n})$  converges to 0 as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ . Thus,  $m(E) = 0$ .

(b)

(b) Answer: No.

Example: Let

$$\begin{aligned} E_1 &= [0, 1/2], E_2 = [1/2, 1], \\ E_3 &= [0, 1/3], E_4 = [1/3, 2/3], E_5 = [2/3, 1], \\ &\dots \\ &[0, 1/n], [1/n, 2/n], \dots, [(n-1)/n, 1], \\ &\dots \end{aligned}$$

Clearly,  $m(E_k) \rightarrow 0$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . However, every point  $x \in [0, 1]$  belongs to infinitely many  $E_k$ 's; that is,  $\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} E_k = [0, 1]$ .

**Problem 6:** Let  $(X, d)$  be a compact metric space and  $f : X \rightarrow X$  be a map satisfying

$$d(f(x), f(y)) < d(x, y) \quad \text{for all } x \in X, y \in X, x \neq y. \quad (*)$$

(a) Show that the function  $g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $g(x) = d(x, f(x))$ , is uniformly continuous on  $X$ .

(b) Show that  $\min_{x \in X} g(x) = 0$ .

(c) Show that there exists a unique  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $f(x_0) = x_0$ .

**Solution:**

(a) Let  $x \in X, y \in X$ . Estimate using the triangle inequality and (\*):

$$\begin{aligned} |d(x, f(x)) - d(y, f(y))| &\leq |d(x, f(x)) - d(y, f(x))| + |d(y, f(x)) - d(y, f(y))| \\ &\leq d(x, y) + d(f(x), f(y)) \\ &\leq 2d(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $g$  is Lipschitz continuous with Lipschitz constant 2. This shows the uniform continuity of  $g$ .

(b) Since  $g$  is continuous on a compact space  $X$ , it attains its minimum value on  $X$ . Let  $x_0 \in X$  be a minimum point. Suppose on the contrary that  $g(x_0) = d(x_0, f(x_0)) > 0$ . This means  $f(x_0) \neq x_0$ . Condition (\*) implies

$$d(f(x_0), f^2(x_0)) < d(x_0, f(x_0)).$$

That is  $g(f(x_0)) < g(x_0)$ , contradicting  $g(x_0) = \min g$ .

(c) Existence: Part (b) shows that at a minimum point  $x_0$  of  $g$ , we have  $f(x_0) = x_0$ .

Uniqueness: Let  $x \neq x_0$ . Condition (\*) implies  $d(f(x), f(x_0)) < d(x, x_0)$ . Since  $f(x_0) = x_0$ , it follows that  $d(f(x), x_0) < d(x, x_0)$ . Thus,  $f(x) \neq x$ .

**Problem 7:** Let  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^2) \cap L^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$ . For  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ , define

$$u(y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} |f(x, y)| dx.$$

For  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , define

$$v(x) = \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} |f(x, y)|^2 dy \right)^{1/2}.$$

(a) Show that  $u \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$  and  $v \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ .

(b) Show that for any Lebesgue measurable function  $g \geq 0$ ,

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} u(y)g(y)dy \leq \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} v(x)dx \right) \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(y)^2 dy \right)^{1/2}.$$

(c) Show that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} u(y)^2 dy \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} v(x)dx.$$

(In particular, if  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} u(y)^2 dy = \infty$ , then  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} v(x)dx = \infty$ .)

**Solution:**

(a) For  $u$ : Since

$$\|f\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^2)} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} |f| < \infty,$$

the Fubini-Tonelli theorem implies that the function

$$u(y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} |f(x, y)| dx$$

is Lebesgue integrable on  $\mathbb{R}$  with  $\|u\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R})} = \|f\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^2)}$ .

For  $v$ : Since

$$\|f\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^2)}^2 = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} |f|^2 < \infty,$$

the Fubini-Tonelli theorem implies that the function

$$v(x)^2 = \int_{\mathbb{R}} |f(x, y)|^2 dy$$

is Lebesgue integrable on  $\mathbb{R}$  with  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} v(x)^2 dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} |f|^2$ . This means  $v \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ .

(b) By Fubini-Tonelli and Cauchy-Schwarz,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{\mathbb{R}} u(y)g(y)dy &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} |f(x,y)|g(y)dx \right) dy \\
 &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} |f(x,y)|g(y)dy \right) dx \\
 &\leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} |f(x,y)|^2 dy \right)^{1/2} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(y)^2 dy \right)^{1/2} dx \\
 &= \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} v(x) dx \right) \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(y)^2 dy \right)^{1/2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

(c) If  $u \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ , just let  $g = u$  in (b) and we are done.

If  $u \notin L^2(\mathbb{R})$ , we have  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} u(y)^2 dy = \infty$ . We need to show that  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} v(x) dx = \infty$ . Let

$$u_n(x) = \begin{cases} u(x) & \text{for } |y| < n \text{ where } u(y) < n; \\ n & \text{for } |y| < n \text{ where } n \leq u(y) \leq \infty; \\ 0 & \text{for } |y| \geq n. \end{cases}$$

Then, every  $u_n \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ . Moreover,  $u_n(y) \uparrow u(y)$  pointwise everywhere in  $\mathbb{R}$ . The monotone convergence theorem implies

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} u_n(x)^2 dx \uparrow \int_{\mathbb{R}} u(x)^2 dx = \infty.$$

Applying (b) to  $g = u_n$ , we obtain

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} u(y)u_n(y)dy \leq \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} v(x)dx \right) \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} u_n(x)^2 dx \right)^{1/2}.$$

Since  $u_n \leq u$ , the integral on the left hand side is no less than  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} u_n(x)^2 dx$ . Hence,

$$\left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} u_n(x)^2 dx \right)^{1/2} \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} v(x) dx.$$

Passing to the limit  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , this shows  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} v(x) dx = \infty$ .

**Problem 8:** Let  $(\Omega, \Sigma, \mu)$  be a measure space with  $\mu(\Omega) < \infty$ . Let  $\psi : \Omega \rightarrow \Omega$  be a map satisfying

- (i)  $\psi^{-1}(A) \in \Sigma$  for any  $A \in \Sigma$ ;
- (ii) if  $A \in \Sigma$  and  $\mu(A) = 0$ , then  $\mu(\psi^{-1}(A)) = 0$ .

Prove the following statements (a)-(b):

(a) There exists a unique nonnegative  $h \in L^1(\Omega, \mu)$  such that

$$\mu(\psi^{-1}(A)) = \int_A h(x) d\mu,$$

for any  $A \in \Sigma$ .

(b) For any  $f \in L^1(\Omega, \mu)$ .

$$\int_{\Omega} f \circ \psi(x) d\mu = \int_{\Omega} f(x) h(x) d\mu.$$

**Solution:**

(a) Consider  $\nu(A) = \mu(\psi^{-1}(A))$  for  $A \in \Sigma$ .  $\nu$  defines a measure on  $\Sigma$ : if  $\cup_n A_n$  is a countable disjoint union of sets  $A_n \in \Sigma$ , then so is  $\psi^{-1}(\cup_n A_n) = \cup_n \psi^{-1}(A_n)$ . Hence,

$$\nu(\cup_n A_n) = \mu(\cup_n \psi^{-1}(A_n)) = \sum_n \mu(\psi^{-1}(A_n)) = \sum_n \nu(A_n).$$

Moreover, condition (ii) implies the absolute continuity of  $\nu$  with respect to  $\mu$ .

By the Radon-Nikodym theorem, there exists a unique nonnegative  $h \in L^1(\Omega, \mu)$  such that

$$\nu(A) = \int_A h(x) d\mu,$$

for any  $A \in \Sigma$ .

(b) It suffices to prove the integral identity for a real-valued nonnegative  $L^1$  function  $f$ . (For a complex-valued  $f$ , consider  $f = \operatorname{Re} f + i \operatorname{Im} f$ . For a real-valued sign-changing  $f$ , consider  $f = f_+ - f_-$ .)

First for  $f \in L^1(\Omega)$  that are nonnegative and simple, the required integral identity is an immediate consequence of part (a). Details follow: Let  $f$  be a finite sum:  $f = \sum_n a_n \chi_{A_n}$ , where  $A_n$ 's are measurable and pairwise disjoint and  $a_n$  are distinct values.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} f \circ \psi(x) d\mu &= \int_{\Omega} \sum_n a_n \chi_{A_n} \circ \psi(x) d\mu \\ &= \sum_n a_n \int_{\Omega} \chi_{\psi^{-1}(A_n)}(x) d\mu \\ &= \sum_n a_n \mu(\psi^{-1}(A_n)) \\ &= \sum_n a_n \int_{A_n} h(x) d\mu \quad (\text{used (a) here}) \\ &= \sum_n a_n \int_{\Omega} \chi_{A_n}(x) h(x) d\mu \\ &= \int_{\Omega} f(x) h(x) d\mu. \end{aligned}$$

Next let  $f \in L^1(\Omega)$  be nonnegative. Take a sequence of nonnegative simple functions  $f_n \in L^1(\Omega)$  such that  $f_n(x) \uparrow f(x)$  a.e. in  $\Omega$ . For  $f_n$  we have already shown that

$$\int_{\Omega} f_n \circ \psi(x) d\mu = \int_{\Omega} f_n(x) h(x) d\mu. \quad (*)$$

Now we take the limit as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Since  $f_n(x) \uparrow f(x)$  a.e. in  $\Omega$  and  $h$  is nonnegative, we have  $f_n(x)h(x) \uparrow f(x)h(x)$  a.e. in  $\Omega$ . By the Monotone Convergence Theorem, the right hand side of  $(*)$  converges to  $\int_{\Omega} f(x)h(x)d\mu$ . Similarly, if we can show

$$f_n \circ \psi(x) \uparrow f \circ \psi(x) \quad \text{a.e. in } \Omega, \quad (**)$$

then the left hand side of  $(*)$  converges to  $\int_{\Omega} f \circ \psi(x)d\mu$  and we are done. Now we prove  $(**)$ . By the assumption, there is a set  $Z \in \Sigma$  such that  $\mu(Z) = 0$  and  $f_n(x) \uparrow f(x)$  for every  $x \in \Omega \setminus Z$ . Hence,  $f_n \circ \psi(x) \uparrow f \circ \psi(x)$  for every  $x$  such that  $\psi(x) \in \Omega \setminus Z$ , or, equivalently, for every  $x \in \psi^{-1}(\Omega \setminus Z) = \Omega \setminus \psi^{-1}(Z)$ . Condition (ii) guarantees  $\mu(\psi^{-1}(Z)) = 0$ . Thus,  $(**)$  holds and the proof is complete.