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NOTES ON INTEGRATION

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The following result plays a fundamental role in the integration theory:

Theorem. Let C be the set of all real-valued continuous functions on a compact Hausdorff space S . Let r be a positive linear functional on C and let $\{f_n, n \in N\} \subset C$, $|f_n| \leq M < \infty$ for all $n \in N$ and $\lim f_n(s) = 0$ ($s \in S$). Then $\lim r(f_n) = 0$.

One of the "elementary" proofs is given in [1]. More general results from which the above theorem follows can be found in [2] and [3]. In this paper we prove a theorem from which the above theorem immediately follows.

Theorem 1. Let S be a nonvoid set and let C denote a set of real-valued functions on S which satisfies

(C1) $o \in C$, where $o(s) = 0$ ($s \in S$);

(C2) If $f, g \in C$ then

a) $f + g \in C$

b) $f \vee g = \sup(f, g) \in C$

c) $f \wedge g = \inf(f, g) \in C$.

Let $\{f_n, n \in N\}$ be a sequence of C , $\lim f_n(s) = 0$ ($s \in S$) and let r be a real-valued functional on C such that

(r1) $r(f + g) = r(f) + r(g)$ ($f, g \in C$);

(r2) $\sup_{n \in N} \sup_{i=1}^n \{ |r(f)|; \bigwedge_{i=1}^n f_i \wedge o \leq f \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^n f_i \vee o, f \in C \} < \infty$;

(r3) if $\{g_n, n \in N\}$ and $\{h_n, n \in N\}$ are sequences of C such that for some $k \in N$

$$\bigwedge_{i=1}^k f_i \wedge o \leq h_1 \leq \dots \leq h_{n-1} \leq h_n \leq \dots \leq o \leq \dots \leq g_n \leq g_{n-1} \leq \dots$$

$$\dots \leq g_1 \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^k f_i \vee o$$

and $\lim g_n(s) = \lim h_n(s) = 0$ for all $s \in S$, then $\lim r(g_n) = \lim r(h_n) = 0$.

Then $\lim r(f_n) = 0$.

Proof. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and let $\{\varepsilon_n; n \in N\}$ be a sequence of positive numbers, $\varepsilon = \sum_{n \in N} \varepsilon_n$. Let $f_n \geq 0$ for all $n \in N$. We set

$$G_1 = \left\{ \bigvee_{i \in K} f_i, K \text{ is a finite subset of } N \right\}.$$

Let g_1 be an element of G_1 such that

$$r(g_1) \geq \sup \{r(f), f \in G_1\} - \varepsilon_1.$$

Let G_1, \dots, G_n and g_1, \dots, g_n be defined; then we set

$$G_{n+1} = \left\{ \bigvee_{i \in K} (f_i \wedge g_n), K \text{ is a finite subset of } N_{n+1} \right\}$$

where $N_k = \{n \in N, n \geq k\}$ for any $k \in N$; let g_{n+1} be an element of G_{n+1} for which

$$r(g_{n+1}) \geq \sup \{r(f), f \in G_{n+1}\} - \varepsilon_{n+1}.$$

Then we have:

a) $g_n \in C$ for all $n \in N$, $0 \leq \dots g_n \leq g_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq g_1 \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^k f_i$ for some $k \in N$, $g_n(s) \leq \sup_{k \geq n} f_k(s)$ and hence $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_n(s) = 0$ ($s \in S$). So, by (r3):

$$(1) \quad \lim r(g_n) = 0.$$

b) $f_n \vee g_1 \in G_1$ and consequently

$$r(g_1) \geq r(f_n \vee g_1) - \varepsilon_1$$

for any $n \in N$. Further we have

$$(f_n \wedge g_1) + (f_n \vee g_1) = f_n + g_1$$

and hence we obtain

$$(2) \quad r(f_n \wedge g_1) = r(f_n) + r(g_1) - r(f_n \vee g_1) \geq r(f_n) - \varepsilon_1.$$

c) For $k \geq 2$ and $n \geq k$ we have

$$a_1 = (f_n \wedge g_{k-1}) \wedge g_k = f_n \wedge g_k, \quad a_2 = (f_n \wedge g_{k-1}) \vee g_k \in G_k.$$

From the equality

$$a_1 + a_2 = (f_n \wedge g_{k-1}) + g_k$$

we obtain that

$$(3) \quad r(f_n \wedge g_k) = r(f_n \wedge g_{k-1}) + r(g_k) - r(a_2) \geq r(f_n \wedge g_{k-1}) - \varepsilon_k.$$

The relation $r(g_k) \geq r(f_n \wedge g_{k-1}) - \varepsilon_k$ for $n \geq k$ together with (2) and (3) imply the following assertion:

$$(4) \quad r(g_k) \geq r(f_n) - \sum_{i=1}^k \varepsilon_i \quad \text{for } k \in N \quad \text{and } n \geq k.$$

Hence, by (1), $\limsup r(f_n) \leq \varepsilon$ for any $\varepsilon > 0$ and so

$$(5) \quad \limsup r(f_n) \leq 0.$$

Since the functional $(-r)$ also satisfies the assumptions of Theorem 1, we have

$$(6) \quad 0 \geq \limsup (-r)(f_n) = -\liminf r(f_n).$$

(5) and (6) imply $\lim r(f_n) = 0$.

If $f_n \leq o$ for $n \in N$, we can prove $\lim r(f_n) = 0$ analogously, by replacing \vee by \wedge , sup by inf etc. For arbitrary f_n (which satisfy the assumptions of Theorem 1) we have

$$\lim r(f_n) = \lim r((f_n \vee o) + (f_n \wedge o)) = \lim r(f_n \vee o) + \lim r(f_n \wedge o) = 0$$

because $\{f_n \vee o, n \in N\}$ and $\{f_n \wedge o, n \in N\}$ also satisfy the assumptions of Theorem 1.

Theorem 2. Let S be a nonvoid set and let C denote a set of real-valued bounded functions on S such that (C2) and

$$(C3) \text{ If } f \in C \text{ then } (-f) \in C$$

are fulfilled.

Let p be a real-valued functional defined on C with the following properties:

$$(p1) \quad p(f + g) = p(f) + p(g) \quad (f, g \in C)$$

$$(p2) \quad |p(f)| \leq K \sup \{|f(s)|, s \in S\} \quad \text{for any } f \in C$$

$$(p3) \quad \lim p(g_n) = 0 \quad \text{for any sequence } \{g_n, n \in N\} \text{ of } C \text{ such that } g_{n+1} \leq g_n \text{ for } n \in N \text{ and } \lim g_n(s) = 0 \quad (s \in S).$$

Let $\{f_n, n \in N\}$ be a sequence of C such that $|f_n(s)| \leq M$ ($n \in N, s \in S$) and $\lim f_n(s) = 0$ ($s \in S$). Then $\lim p(f_n) = 0$.

Proof. Theorem 2 is an easy consequence of Theorem 1.

Theorem 3. Let S be a nonvoid set and let C be a set of real-valued bounded functions on S such that (C2) and (C3) are fulfilled. Let p be a real-valued functional on C which fulfils the assumptions (p1), (p2), (p3). Let $\{f_n, n \in N\}$ be a sequence of functions from C such that $|f_n(s)| \leq M$ ($n \in N, s \in S$) and $\lim f_n(s) = f(s)$ ($s \in S$). Then $\lim p(f_n)$ exists and $\lim p(f_n) = p(f)$ if $f \in C$.

Proof. It is very well known that a sequence $\{x_n, n \in N\}$ of real numbers is a Cauchy sequence ($\lim x_n$ exists) if and only if $\lim (x_{k_{n+1}} - x_{k_n}) = 0$ for any sequence $\{k_n, n \in N\}$ of natural numbers with $k_{n+1} > k_n$.

Let $\{k_n, n \in N\}$ be a sequence of N such that $k_{n+1} > k_n$ for any $n \in N$. Then the functions $g_n = f_{k_{n+1}} - f_{k_n}$ satisfy the assumptions of Theorem 2 and so $0 = \lim p(g_n) = \lim (p(f_{k_{n+1}}) - p(f_{k_n}))$. Hence we obtain that $\lim p(f_n)$ exists.

If $f \in C$, then $\lim p(f_n - f) = 0$ by Theorem 2, i.e. $\lim p(f_n) = p(f)$.

Example. Let AP be the set of all continuous almost periodic real-valued functions on the set of real numbers R and let b be a functional defined on AP by

$$b(f) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} T^{-1} \int_0^T f(s) ds.$$

Then there exists a sequence $\{f_n, n \in N\} \subset AP$ such that $f_n \geq f_{n+1} \geq 0$ ($n \in N$), $\lim f_n(s) = 0$ ($s \in R$) and $b(f_n) \geq c > 0$.

Proof. If such a sequence does not exist, then the assumptions of Theorem 3 are obviously fulfilled. But for the sequence $\{g_n, n \in N\}$ where $g_n(s) = \cos n^{-1}s$ ($s \in S$) we have $1 = b(\lim g_n) \neq \lim b(g_n) = 0$.

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