

*Exercise 8.3.2.* Prove Proposition 8.3.3. (Hint: for (b), break  $f$ ,  $g$ , and  $f + g$  up into positive and negative parts, and try to write everything in terms of integrals of non-negative functions only, using Lemma 8.2.10.)

**Proposition 8.3.3.** Let  $\Omega$  be a measurable set, and let  $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  and  $g : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  be absolutely integrable functions.

- (a) For any real number  $c$  (positive, zero, or negative), we have that  $cf$  is absolutely integrable and  $\int_{\Omega} cf = c \int_{\Omega} f$ .
- (b) The function  $f + g$  is absolutely integrable, and  $\int_{\Omega} (f + g) = \int_{\Omega} f + \int_{\Omega} g$ .
- (c) If  $f(x) \leq g(x)$  for all  $x \in \Omega$ , then we have  $\int_{\Omega} f \leq \int_{\Omega} g$ .
- (d) If  $f(x) = g(x)$  for almost every  $x \in \Omega$ , then  $\int_{\Omega} f = \int_{\Omega} g$ .

*Proof.* See Exercise 8.3.2. □

(a) Since  $f$  is absolutely integrable,

$$\int_{\Omega} |f| < \infty$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\Omega} |cf| = \int_{\Omega} |c| |f|$$

$$= |c| \int_{\Omega} |f| \quad (\text{By Proposition 8.2.6})$$

$$< \infty$$

$\Rightarrow cf$  is absolutely integrable

Now, since  $\int_{\Omega} cf = \int_{\Omega} (cf)^+ - \int_{\Omega} (cf)^-$  by definition

we have 3 cases:

$$1) c=0: \int_{\Omega} cf = \int_{\Omega} 0 = 0 = c \int_{\Omega} f$$

$$2) c>0: \int_{\Omega} (cf)^+ = \int_{\Omega} cf^+ = c \int_{\Omega} f^+$$

$$\int_{\Omega} (cf)^- = \int_{\Omega} cf^- = c \int_{\Omega} f^-$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\Omega} cf = c \int_{\Omega} f^+ - c \int_{\Omega} f^-$$

$$= c ( \int_{\Omega} f^+ - \int_{\Omega} f^- )$$

$$= c \int_{\Omega} f$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 3) \quad c < 0 : \int_{\Omega} (cf)^+ &= \int_{\Omega} \max(cf, 0) \\
 &= \int_{\Omega} c \min(f, 0) \\
 &= \int_{\Omega} -cf^- \\
 &= -c \int_{\Omega} f^-
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{\Omega} (cf)^- &= \int_{\Omega} -\min(cf, 0) \\
 &= \int_{\Omega} -c \max(f, 0) \\
 &= \int_{\Omega} -cf^+ \\
 &= -c \int_{\Omega} f^+
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow \int_{\Omega} cf &= -c \int_{\Omega} f^- + c \int_{\Omega} f^+ \\
 &= c (\int_{\Omega} f^+ - \int_{\Omega} f^-) \\
 &= c \int_{\Omega} f
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) First, since  $\int_{\Omega} |f| < \infty$ ,  $\int_{\Omega} |g| < \infty$ , and  $|f+g| \leq |f| + |g|$ ,

$$\int_{\Omega} |f+g| \leq \int_{\Omega} |f| + |g| = \int_{\Omega} |f| + \int_{\Omega} |g| < \infty$$

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 (Prop. 8.2.6(c)) (Lemma 8.2.10)

Then, we have

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f = f^+ - f^- \\ g = g^+ - g^- \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} f+g &= f^+ - f^- + g^+ - g^- \\ &= (f^+ + g^+) - (f^- + g^-) \end{aligned}$$

Since, also,  $f+g = (f+g)^+ - (f+g)^-$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (f+g)^+ - (f+g)^- &= (f^+ + g^+) - (f^- + g^-) \\
 \Rightarrow (f+g)^+ + (f^- + g^-) &= (f^+ + g^+) + (f+g)^- \\
 \Rightarrow \int_{\Omega} [(f+g)^+ + (f^- + g^-)] &= \int_{\Omega} [(f^+ + g^+) + (f+g)^-] \quad (\text{Prop. 8.2.6(d)})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\Omega} (f+g)^+ + \int_{\Omega} (f^-+g^-) = \int_{\Omega} (f^++g^+) + \int_{\Omega} (f^-+g^-)$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\Omega} (f+g)^+ - \int_{\Omega} (f+g)^- = \int_{\Omega} (f^++g^+) - \int_{\Omega} (f^-+g^-)$$

Since, by definition,  $\int_{\Omega} (f+g) = \int_{\Omega} (f+g)^+ - \int_{\Omega} (f+g)^-$ ,

$$\int_{\Omega} (f+g) = \int_{\Omega} (f^++g^+) - \int_{\Omega} (f^-+g^-)$$

$$= \int_{\Omega} f^+ + \int_{\Omega} g^+ - \int_{\Omega} f^- - \int_{\Omega} g^-$$

$$= (\int_{\Omega} f^+ - \int_{\Omega} f^-) + (\int_{\Omega} g^+ - \int_{\Omega} g^-)$$

$$= \int_{\Omega} f + \int_{\Omega} g$$

(c) Since  $f \leq g$ ,

$$f^+ = \max(f, 0) \leq \max(g, 0) = g^+$$

$$f^- = -\min(f, 0) \geq -\min(g, 0) = g^-$$

as we can consider the 3 cases :  $\begin{cases} 0 \leq f \leq g \\ f \leq 0 \leq g \\ f \leq g \leq 0 \end{cases}$

Then,

$$\int_{\Omega} f^+ \leq \int_{\Omega} g^+, \quad \int_{\Omega} f^- \geq \int_{\Omega} g^- \quad (\text{Prop. 8.2.6 (c)})$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\Omega} f = \int_{\Omega} f^+ - \int_{\Omega} f^- \leq \int_{\Omega} g^+ - \int_{\Omega} g^- = \int_{\Omega} g$$

(d) Since  $f(x) = g(x)$  for a.e.  $x \in \Omega$ ,

$$f^+(x) = g^+(x), \quad f^-(x) = g^-(x) \text{ for a.e. } x \in \Omega$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\Omega} f = \int_{\Omega} f^+ - \int_{\Omega} f^- = \int_{\Omega} g^+ - \int_{\Omega} g^- = \int_{\Omega} g$$

(Prop. 8.2.6 (d))

*Exercise 8.3.3.* Let  $f : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  and  $g : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  be absolutely integrable, measurable functions such that  $f(x) \leq g(x)$  for all  $x \in \mathbf{R}$ , and that  $\int_{\mathbf{R}} f = \int_{\mathbf{R}} g$ . Show that  $f(x) = g(x)$  for almost every  $x \in \mathbf{R}$  (i.e., that  $f(x) = g(x)$  for all  $x \in \mathbf{R}$  except possibly for a set of measure zero).

By prop. 8.3.3 (a), (b)

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}} (g - f) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} g - \int_{\mathbf{R}} f = 0$$

Since  $g \geq f$ ,  $g - f \geq 0$   $\forall x \in \mathbf{R} \Rightarrow \int_{\mathbf{R}} (g - f) \geq 0$ , by Prop. 8.2.6 (a),

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbf{R}} (g - f) = 0 &\Rightarrow (g - f)(x) = g(x) - f(x) = 0 \text{ for a.e. } x \in \mathbf{R} \\ &\Rightarrow g(x) = f(x) \text{ for a.e. } x \in \mathbf{R} \end{aligned}$$