

Analysis 101:

Curves and Length

ABSTRACT

In addition to providing a systematic account of the classical theorems of Jordan and Tonelli, I have also provided an introduction to the theory of the Weierstrass integral which in its definitive form is due to Cesari.

CURVES AND LENGTH

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§1. FUNDAMENTALS

1: NOTATION Given

$$\underline{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_M) \in \mathbb{R}^M \quad (M = 1, 2, \dots),$$

put

$$||\underline{x}|| = (x_1^2 + \dots + x_M^2)^{1/2},$$

hence

$$|x_m| \leq ||\underline{x}|| \leq |x_1| + \dots + |x_M| \quad (m = 1, \dots, M).$$

2: DEFINITION A function $\underline{f}: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$ is said to be a curve C , denoted $C \longleftrightarrow \underline{f}$, where

$$\underline{f}(x) = (f_1(x), \dots, f_M(x)) \quad (a \leq x \leq b).$$

3: EXAMPLE Every function $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ gives rise to a curve C in \mathbb{R}^2 , viz. the arrow $x \rightarrow (x, f(x))$.

4: DEFINITION The graph of C , denoted $[C]$, is the range of \underline{f} .

5: EXAMPLE Take $M = 2$, let $k = 1, 2, \dots$, and put

$$\underline{f}_k(x) = (\sin^2(kx), 0) \quad (0 \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}).$$

Then the \underline{f}_k all have the same range, i.e., $[C_1] = [C_2] = \dots$ if $C_k \longleftrightarrow \underline{f}_k$ but the C_k are different curves.

6: REMARK If C is a continuous curve, then its graph $[C]$ is closed, bounded, connected, and uniformly locally connected. Owing to a theorem of Hahn

and Mazurkiewicz, these properties are characteristic: Any such set is the graph of a continuous curve. So, e.g., a square in \mathbb{R}^2 is the graph of a continuous curve, a cube in \mathbb{R}^3 is the graph of a continuous curve etc.

7: DEFINITION The length of a curve C , denoted $\ell(C)$, is

$$T_{\underline{f}}[a,b] \equiv \sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}[a,b]} \sum_{i=1}^n \|\underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})\|,$$

C being termed rectifiable if $\ell(C) < +\infty$.

[Note: If C is continuous and rectifiable, then $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$:

$$\|P\| < \delta \Rightarrow \forall (\underline{f}; P) \equiv \sum_{i=1}^n \|\underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})\| > \ell(C) - \varepsilon.]$$

8: LEMMA Given a curve C ,

$$T_{\underline{f}_m}[a,b] \leq \ell(C) \leq T_{\underline{f}_1}[a,b] + \dots + T_{\underline{f}_M}[a,b] \quad (1 \leq m \leq M).$$

9: SCHOLIUM C is rectifiable iff

$$\underline{f}_1 \in BV[a,b], \dots, \underline{f}_M \in BV[a,b].$$

10: THEOREM Let

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} C_n \longleftrightarrow \underline{f}_n: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M \\ C \longleftrightarrow \underline{f}: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M \end{array} \right.$$

and assume that \underline{f}_n converges pointwise to \underline{f} --- then

$$\ell(C) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ell(C_n).$$

A continuous curve

$$\Gamma \longleftrightarrow \gamma: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$$

is said to be a polygonal line (and γ quasi linear in $[a,b]$) if there exists a $P \in \mathcal{P}[a,b]$ in each segment of which γ is linear or a constant.

11: DEFINITION The elementary length $\ell_e(\Gamma)$ of Γ is the sum of the lengths of these segments, hence $\ell_e(\Gamma) = \ell(\Gamma)$.

12: NOTATION Given a continuous curve C , denote by $\Gamma(C)$ the set of all sequences

$$\Gamma_n \longleftrightarrow \underline{\gamma}_n: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$$

of polygonal lines such that

$$\gamma_n \rightarrow \underline{f} \quad (n \rightarrow \infty)$$

uniformly in $[a,b]$.

Therefore

$$\ell(C) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ell(\Gamma_n) = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ell_e(\Gamma_n).$$

On the other hand, by definition, there is some $\{\Gamma_n\} \in \Gamma(C)$ such that

$$\ell_e(\Gamma_n) \rightarrow \ell(C) \quad (n \rightarrow \infty).$$

13: SCHOLIUM If C is a continuous curve, then

$$\ell(C) = \inf_{\{\Gamma_n\} \in \Gamma(C)} [\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ell_e(\Gamma_n)].$$

14: REMARK Let

$$C \longleftrightarrow f: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M.$$

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Assume: C is continuous and rectifiable -- then f can be decomposed as a sum $f = f_{AC} + f_C$, where f_{AC} is absolutely continuous and f_C is continuous and singular.

Therefore

$$\ell(C) = T_{f_{AC}} [a,b] + T_{f_C} [a,b].$$

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§2. ESTIMATES

1: NOTATION Write

$$T_{\underline{f}}[a,b]$$

in place of $\ell(C)$.

2: DEFINITION Assume that C is rectifiable -- then the arc length function

$$s: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

is defined by the prescription

$$s(x) = T_{\underline{f}}[a,x] \quad (a \leq x \leq b).$$

Obviously

$$s(a) = 0, \quad s(b) = \ell(C),$$

and s is an increasing function.

3: LEMMA If C is continuous and rectifiable, then s is continuous as are the $T_{\underline{f}_m}[a, _]$ ($m = 1, \dots, M$).

4: LEMMA If C is continuous and rectifiable, then s is absolutely continuous iff all the $T_{\underline{f}_m}[a, _]$ ($m = 1, \dots, M$) are absolutely continuous, hence iff all the \underline{f}_m ($m = 1, \dots, M$) are absolutely continuous.

If C is continuous and rectifiable, then the $\underline{f}_m \in BV[a,b]$, thus the derivatives \underline{f}'_m exist almost everywhere in $[a,b]$ and are Lebesgue integrable. On the other hand, s is an increasing function, thus it too is differentiable almost everywhere in $[a,b]$ and is Lebesgue integrable.

5: SUBLEMMA The connection between \underline{f}' and s' is given by the relation

$$||\underline{f}'|| \leq s'$$

almost everywhere in $[a,b]$.

[For any subinterval $[\alpha, \beta] \subset [a,b]$,

$$||\underline{f}(\beta) - \underline{f}(\alpha)|| \leq s(\beta) - s(\alpha).]$$

6: LEMMA

$$\ell(C) = s(b) - s(a) \geq \int_a^b s' \geq \int_a^b ||\underline{f}'||.$$

I.e.: Under the assumption that C is continuous and rectifiable,

$$\ell(C) \geq \int_a^b ||\underline{f}'||.$$

7: THEOREM

$$\ell(C) = \int_a^b ||\underline{f}'||$$

iff all the f_m ($m = 1, \dots, M$) are absolutely continuous.

This is established in the discussion to follow.

• Suppose that the equality sign obtains, hence

$$s(b) - s(a) = \int_a^b s'.$$

But also

$$s(x) - s(a) \geq \int_a^x s', \quad s(b) - s(x) \geq \int_x^b s'.$$

If

$$s(x) - s(a) > \int_a^x s', \quad s(b) - s(x) \geq \int_x^b s',$$

then

$$s(b) - s(a) > \int_a^b s',$$

a contradiction. Therefore

$$s(x) - s(a) = \int_a^x s'$$

$$\Rightarrow s \in AC[a,b] \Rightarrow f_m \in AC[a,b] \quad (m = 1, \dots, M).$$

• Consider the other direction, i.e., assume that the $f_m \in AC[a,b]$, the claim being that

$$\ell(C) = \int_a^b ||f' ||.$$

Given $P \in \mathcal{P}[a,b]$, write

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^n ||\underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1}) || \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left[\sum_{m=1}^M (f_m(x_i) - f_m(x_{i-1}))^2 \right]^{1/2} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left[\sum_{m=1}^M \left(\int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} f'_m \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} \left(\sum_{m=1}^M (f'_m)^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ &= \int_a^b ||\underline{f}' ||. \end{aligned}$$

Taking the sup of the first term over all P then gives

$$\begin{aligned} \ell(C) &\leq \int_a^b ||\underline{f}' || \quad (\leq \ell(C)) \\ \Rightarrow \\ \ell(C) &= \int_a^b ||\underline{f}' ||. \end{aligned}$$

8: N.B. Under canonical assumptions,

$$\left(\int_X \phi_1 \right)^2 + \dots + \left(\int_X \phi_n \right)^2 \Big)^{1/2}$$

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$$\leq \int_X (\phi_1^2 + \dots + \phi_n^2)^{1/2}.$$

9: RAPPEL Suppose that $f \in BV[a,b]$ -- then for almost all $x \in [a,b]$,

$$|f'(x)| = T'_f[a,x].$$

10: LEMMA Suppose that C is continuous and rectifiable -- then

$$s' = \|\underline{f}'\|$$

almost everywhere in $[a,b]$.

PROOF Since

$$\|\underline{f}'\| \leq s',$$

it suffices to show that

$$s' \leq \|\underline{f}'\|.$$

Let $E_0 \subset [a,b]$ be the set of x such that \underline{f} and s are differentiable at x and $s'(x) > \|\underline{f}'(x)\|$ and for $k = 1, 2, \dots$, let E_k be the set of $x \in E_0$ such that

$$\frac{s(t_2) - s(t_1)}{t_2 - t_1} \geq \frac{\|\underline{f}(t_2) - \underline{f}(t_1)\|}{t_2 - t_1} + \frac{1}{k}$$

for all intervals $[t_1, t_2]$ such that $x \in [t_1, t_2]$ and $0 < t_2 - t_1 \leq \frac{1}{k}$. So, by construction,

$$E_0 = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} E_k$$

and matters reduce to establishing that $\forall k, \lambda(E_k) = 0$. To this end, let $\varepsilon > 0$

and choose $P \in \mathcal{P}[a,b]$:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \|\underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})\| > T'_f[a,b] - \varepsilon.$$

Expanding P if necessary, it can be assumed without loss of generality that

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$$0 < x_i - x_{i-1} \leq \frac{1}{k} \quad (i = 1, \dots, n).$$

For each i , either $[x_{i-1}, x_i] \cap E_k \neq \emptyset$ and then

$$s(x_i) - s(x_{i-1}) \geq \left| \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1}) \right| + \frac{x_i - x_{i-1}}{k},$$

or $[x_{i-1}, x_i] \cap E_k = \emptyset$ and then

$$s(x_i) - s(x_{i-1}) \geq \left| \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1}) \right|.$$

Consequently

$$\begin{aligned} T_{\underline{f}}[a, b] &= s(b) = s(x_n) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (s(x_i) - s(x_{i-1})) \quad (s(x_0) = s(a) = 0) \\ &\geq \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\left| \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1}) \right| + \frac{1}{k} \lambda^*(E_k) \right) \\ &\geq T_{\underline{f}}[a, b] - \varepsilon + \frac{1}{k} \lambda^*(E_k) \\ &\Rightarrow \\ &\lambda^*(E_k) \leq k\varepsilon \Rightarrow \lambda(E_k) = 0 \quad (\varepsilon \downarrow 0). \end{aligned}$$

11: THEOREM Suppose that C is continuous and rectifiable. Assume: $M > 1$ -- then the M -dimensional Lebesgue measure of $[C]$ is equal to 0.

12: NOTATION Let

$$C \longleftrightarrow \underline{f}: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$$

be a continuous curve. Given $\underline{x} \in [C]$, let $N(\underline{f}; \underline{x})$ be the number of points $x \in [a, b]$ (finite or infinite) such that $\underline{f}(x) = \underline{x}$ and let $N(\underline{f}; \rightarrow) = 0$ in the complement $\mathbb{R}^M - [C]$ of $[C]$.

13: THEOREM

$$\ell(C) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^M} N(\underline{f}; \rightarrow) dH^1.$$

[Note: H^1 is the 1-dimensional Hausdorff outer measure in \mathbb{R}^M and

$$H^1([C]) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^M} \chi_{[C]} dH^1 \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^M} N(\underline{f}; \rightarrow) dH^1,$$

i.e.,

$$H^1([C]) \leq \ell(C)$$

and it can happen that

$$H^1([C]) < \ell(C).]$$

14: N.B. If \underline{f} is one-to-one, then

$$N(\underline{f}; \rightarrow) = \chi_{[C]}$$

and when this is so,

$$H^1([C]) = \ell(C).$$

§3. EQUIVALENCES

In what follows, by interval we shall understand a finite closed interval $c \subset \mathbb{R}$.

[Note: If I, J are intervals and if $\partial I = \{a, b\}$, $\partial J = \{c, d\}$, then the agreement is that a homeomorphism $\phi: I \rightarrow J$ is sense preserving, i.e., sends a to c and b to d .]

1: DEFINITION Suppose given intervals I, J , and curves $\underline{f}: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$, $\underline{g}: J \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$ — then \underline{f} and \underline{g} are said to be Lebesgue equivalent if there exists a homeomorphism $\phi: I \rightarrow J$ such that $\underline{f} = \underline{g} \circ \phi$.

2: LEMMA If

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \underline{f}: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M \\ \underline{g}: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M \end{array} \right.$$

are Lebesgue equivalent and if

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} C \longleftrightarrow \underline{f} \\ D \longleftrightarrow \underline{g}, \end{array} \right.$$

then

$$\ell(C) = \ell(D).$$

PROOF The homeomorphism $\phi: [a, b] \rightarrow [c, d]$ induces a bijection

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} P[a, b] \rightarrow P[c, d] \\ P \rightarrow Q. \end{array} \right.$$

Therefore

$$\ell(C) = \sup_{P \in P[a, b]} \sum_{i=1}^n \|\underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})\|$$

2.

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}[a,b]} \sum_{i=1}^n \left| \underline{g}(\phi(x_i)) - \underline{g}(\phi(x_{i-1})) \right| \\ &= \sup_{Q \in \mathcal{P}[c,d]} \sum_{i=1}^n \left| \underline{g}(y_i) - \underline{g}(y_{i-1}) \right| \\ &= \ell(D). \end{aligned}$$

3: DEFINITION Suppose given intervals I, J and curves $\underline{f}: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$, $\underline{g}: J \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$ -- then \underline{f} and \underline{g} are said to be Fréchet equivalent if for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a homeomorphism $\phi: I \rightarrow J$ such that

$$\left| \underline{f}(x) - \underline{g}(\phi(x)) \right| < \varepsilon \quad (x \in I).$$

4: REMARK It is clear that two Lebesgue equivalent curves are Fréchet equivalent but two Fréchet equivalent curves need not be Lebesgue equivalent.

5: LEMMA If

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \underline{f}: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M \\ \underline{g}: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M \end{array} \right.$$

are Fréchet equivalent and if

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} C \longleftrightarrow \underline{f} \\ D \longleftrightarrow \underline{g}, \end{array} \right.$$

then

$$\ell(C) = \ell(D).$$

PROOF For each $n = 1, 2, \dots$, there is a homeomorphism $\phi_n: [a,b] \rightarrow [c,d]$ such that $\forall x \in [a,b]$,

$$\left| \underline{f}(x) - \underline{g}(\phi_n(x)) \right| < \frac{1}{n}.$$

3.

Put $\underline{f}_n = \underline{g} \circ \phi_n$, hence \underline{f}_n is Lebesgue equivalent to \underline{g} (viz. $\underline{g} \circ \phi_n = \underline{g} \circ \phi_n \dots$),
thus if

$$C_n \longleftrightarrow \underline{f}_n, D \longleftrightarrow \underline{g},$$

then from the above

$$\ell(C_n) = \ell(D).$$

But $\forall x \in [a, b]$,

$$|\underline{f}(x) - \underline{f}_n(x)| < \frac{1}{n},$$

i.e., $\underline{f}_n \rightarrow \underline{f}$ pointwise, so

$$\begin{aligned} \ell(C) &\leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ell(C_n) \\ &= \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ell(D) \\ &= \ell(D). \end{aligned}$$

Analogously

$$\ell(D) \leq \ell(C).$$

Therefore

$$\ell(C) = \ell(D).$$

§4. . FRÉCHET DISTANCE

Let

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} C \longleftrightarrow \underline{f}: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M \\ D \longleftrightarrow \underline{g}: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M \end{array} \right.$$

be two continuous curves.

1: NOTATION H is the set of all homeomorphisms $\phi: [a,b] \rightarrow [c,d]$ ($\phi(a) = c$, $\phi(b) = d$).

Given $\phi \in H$, the expression

$$||\underline{f}(x) - \underline{g}(\phi(x))|| \quad (a \leq x \leq b)$$

has an absolute maximum $M(\underline{f}, \underline{g}; \phi)$.

2: DEFINITION The Fréchet distance between C and D , denoted $||C,D||$, is

$$\inf_{\phi \in H} M(\underline{f}, \underline{g}; \phi).$$

[Note: In other words, $||C,D||$ is the infimum of all numbers $\varepsilon \geq 0$ with the property that there exists a homeomorphism $\phi \in H$ such that

$$||\underline{f}(x) - \underline{g}(\phi(x))|| \leq \varepsilon$$

for all $x \in [a,b]$.]

3: N.B. If $||C,D|| < \varepsilon$, then there exists a $\phi \in H$ such that

$$M(\underline{f}, \underline{g}; \phi) < \varepsilon.$$

4: LEMMA Let C, D, C_0 be continuous curves -- then

$$(i) \quad ||C,D|| \geq 0;$$

- (ii) $||C,D|| = ||D,C||;$
- (iii) $||C,D|| \leq ||C,C_0|| + ||C_0,D||;$
- (iv) $||C,D|| = 0$ iff C and D are Fréchet equivalent.

Therefore the Fréchet distance is a premetric on the set of all continuous curves with values in \mathbb{R}^M .

5: THEOREM Let

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} C_n \longleftrightarrow \underline{f}_n: [a_n, b_n] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots) \\ C \longleftrightarrow \underline{f}: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M \end{array} \right.$$

be continuous curves. Assume:

$$||C_n, C|| \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty).$$

Then

$$\ell(C) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ell(C_n).$$

PROOF For every n , there is a homeomorphism

$$\phi_n: [a, b] \rightarrow [a_n, b_n] \quad (\phi_n(a) = a_n, \phi_n(b) = b_n)$$

such that for all $x \in [a, b]$,

$$||\underline{f}(x) - \underline{f}_n(\phi_n(x))|| < ||C, C_n|| + \frac{1}{n}.$$

Let

$$D_n \longleftrightarrow \underline{f}_n \circ \phi_n: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M.$$

Then pointwise

$$\underline{f}_n \circ \phi_n \rightarrow \underline{f}$$

\Rightarrow

$$\ell(C) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ell(D_n).$$

But $\ell(D_n) = \ell(C_n)$, hence

$$\ell(C) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ell(C_n).$$

In the set of continuous curves, introduce an equivalence relation by stipulating that C and D are equivalent provided C and D are Fréchet equivalent. The resulting set E_F of equivalence classes is then a metric space: If

$$\begin{cases} \{C\} \in E_F \\ \{D\} \in E_F, \end{cases}$$

then

$$||\{C\}, \{D\}|| = ||C, D||.$$

6: N.B. If C, C' are Fréchet equivalent and if D, D' are Fréchet equivalent, then

$$\begin{aligned} ||C, D|| &\leq ||C, C'|| + ||C', D|| \\ &\leq ||C', D|| \leq ||C', D'|| + ||D', D|| \\ &= ||C', D'|| \end{aligned}$$

and in reverse

$$||C', D'|| \leq ||C, D||.$$

So

$$||C, D|| = ||C', D'||.$$

§5. THE REPRESENTATION THEOREM

Assume:

$$C \longleftrightarrow \underline{f}: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$$

is a curve which is continuous and rectifiable.

1: THEOREM There exists a continuous curve

$$D \longleftrightarrow \underline{g}: [c,d] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$$

with the property that

$$\ell(D) = \ell(C) \quad (< + \infty)$$

and

$$\ell(D) = \int_c^d \|\underline{g}'\|,$$

where g_1, \dots, g_M are absolutely continuous and in addition \underline{f} and \underline{g} are Fréchet equivalent.

Take $\ell(C) > 0$ and define \underline{g} via the following procedure. In the first place, the domain $[c,d]$ of \underline{g} is going to be the interval $[0, \ell(C)]$. This said, note that $s(x)$ is constant in an interval $[\alpha, \beta]$ iff $\underline{f}(x)$ is constant there as well. Next, for each point s_0 ($0 \leq s_0 \leq \ell(C)$) there is a maximal interval $\alpha \leq x \leq \beta$ ($a \leq \alpha \leq \beta \leq b$) with $s(x) = s_0$. Definition: $\underline{g}(s_0) = \underline{f}(x)$ ($\alpha \leq x \leq \beta$).

2: LEMMA

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \underline{g}(s_0^-) = \underline{g}(s_0) \quad (0 < s_0 \leq \ell(C)) \\ \underline{g}(s_0^+) = \underline{g}(s_0) \quad (0 \leq s_0 < \ell(C)). \end{array} \right.$$

2.

Therefore

$$\underline{g}: [c,d] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$$

is a continuous curve.

3: SUBLEMMA Suppose that $\phi_n: [A,B] \rightarrow [C,D]$ ($n = 1,2,\dots$) converges uniformly to $\phi: [A,B] \rightarrow [C,D]$. Let $\Phi: [C,D] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$ be a continuous function -- then $\Phi \circ \phi_n$ converges uniformly to $\Phi \circ \phi$.

PROOF Since Φ is uniformly continuous, given $\varepsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta > 0$ such that

$$|u - v| < \delta \Rightarrow \|\Phi(u) - \Phi(v)\| < \varepsilon \quad (u,v \in [C,D]).$$

Choose N :

$$n \geq N \Rightarrow |\phi_n(x) - \phi(x)| < \delta \quad (x \in [A,B]).$$

Then

$$\|\Phi(\phi_n(x)) - \Phi(\phi(x))\| < \varepsilon.$$

4: LEMMA \underline{f} and \underline{g} are Fréchet equivalent.

PROOF Approximate s by quasilinear, strictly increasing functions $s_n(x)$ ($a \leq x \leq b$) with $s_n(a) = 0$, $s_n(b) = \ell(C)$ and

$$|s_n(x) - s(x)| < \frac{1}{n} \quad (n = 1,2,\dots).$$

Then

$$s_n: [a,b] \rightarrow [0, \ell(C)]$$

converges uniformly to

$$s: [a,b] \rightarrow [0, \ell(C)]$$

and

$$\underline{g}: [0, \ell(C)] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$$

is continuous, so

3.

$$\underline{g} \circ s_n \rightarrow \underline{g} \circ s$$

uniformly in $[a, b]$, thus $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N: n \geq N$

$$\Rightarrow \|\underline{g}(s_n(x)) - \underline{g}(s(x))\| < \varepsilon \quad (a \leq x \leq b)$$

or still,

$$\|\underline{f}(x) - \underline{g}(s_n(x))\| < \varepsilon \quad (a \leq x \leq b).$$

Since the s_n are homeomorphisms, it follows that \underline{f} and \underline{g} are Fréchet equivalent.

5: LEMMA

$$0 \leq u < v \leq \ell(C)$$

\Rightarrow

$$\|\underline{g}(v) - \underline{g}(u)\| = v - u$$

\Rightarrow

$$\|g_m(v) - g_m(u)\| \leq v - u \quad (1 \leq m \leq M).$$

Consequently g_1, \dots, g_M are absolutely continuous (in fact, Lipschitz).

6: LEMMA

$$\ell(C) = \ell(D) = \int_0^{\ell(D)} \|\underline{g}'\|,$$

where $\|\underline{g}'\| \leq 1$.

So

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \ell(D) - \int_0^{\ell(D)} \|\underline{g}'\| \\ &= \int_0^{\ell(D)} 1 - \|\underline{g}'\| \\ &= \int_0^{\ell(D)} (1 - \|\underline{g}'\|) \end{aligned}$$

implying thereby that $\|\underline{g}'\| = 1$ almost everywhere.

§6. INDUCED MEASURES

1: NOTATION $\text{BO}[a,b]$ is the set of Borel subsets of $[a,b]$.

Let

$$C \longleftrightarrow \underline{f}: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$$

be a curve, continuous and rectifiable.

2: LEMMA The interval function defined by the rule

$$[c,d] \rightarrow s(d) - s(c) \quad ([c,d] \subset [a,b])$$

can be extended to a measure μ_C on $\text{BO}[a,b]$.

3: LEMMA For $m = 1, \dots, M$, the interval function defined by the rule

$$[c,d] \rightarrow T_{f_m} [c,d] \quad ([c,d] \subset [a,b])$$

can be extended to a measure μ_m on $\text{BO}[a,b]$.

4: FACT Given $S \in \text{BO}[a,b]$,

$$\mu_m(S) \leq \mu_C(S) \leq \mu_1(S) + \dots + \mu_M(S).$$

5: LEMMA For $m = 1, \dots, M$, the interval functions defined by the rule

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} [c,d] \rightarrow T_{f_m}^+ [c,d] \\ \\ [c,d] \rightarrow T_{f_m}^- [c,d] \end{array} \right. \quad ([c,d] \subset [a,b])$$

can be extended to measures

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \mu_m^+ \\ \\ \mu_m^- \end{array} \right.$$

on $\text{BO}[a,b]$.

6: NOTATION Put

$$v_m = \mu_m^+ - \mu_m^- \quad (m = 1, \dots, M).$$

[Thus v_m is a countably additive, totally finite set function on $BO[a,b]$.]

7: RECOVERY PRINCIPLE For any $S \in BO[a,b]$,

$$\mu_C(S) = \sup_{\{P\}} \sum_{E \in P} \left\{ \sum_{m=1}^M v_m(E)^2 \right\}^{1/2},$$

where the supremum is taken over all partitions P of S into disjoint Borel measurable sets E .

8: FACT The set functions μ_m , μ_m^+ , μ_m^- , v_m are absolutely continuous w.r.t. μ_C .

9: NOTATION The corresponding Radon-Nikodym derivatives are denoted by

$$\beta_m = \frac{d\mu_m}{d\mu_C}, \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \beta_m^+ = \frac{d\mu_m^+}{d\mu_C} \\ \beta_m^- = \frac{d\mu_m^-}{d\mu_C} \end{array} \right], \quad \theta_m = \frac{dv_m}{d\mu_C}.$$

10: CONVENTION The term almost everywhere (or measure 0) will refer to the measure space

$$([a,b], BO[a,b], \mu_C).$$

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11: FACT

$$\beta_m = \beta_m^+ + \beta_m^-$$

and

$$(m = 1, \dots, M)$$

$$\theta_m = \beta_m^+ - \beta_m^-$$

almost everywhere.

12: NOTATION Let

$$\underline{\theta} = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_M).$$

[Note: By definition,

$$\|\underline{\theta}(x)\| = (\theta_1(x)^2 + \dots + \theta_M(x)^2)^{1/2}.]$$

13: NOTATION Given a linear orthogonal transformation $\lambda: \mathbb{R}^M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$, let $\bar{C} = \lambda C$.

14: N.B.

$$\mu_{\bar{C}} = \mu_C.$$

15: LEMMA

$$(\bar{v}_1, \dots, \bar{v}_M) = \lambda(v_1, \dots, v_M).$$

16: APPLICATION

$$(\bar{\theta}_1, \dots, \bar{\theta}_M) = \lambda(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_M)$$

almost everywhere.

[Differentiate the preceding relation w.r.t. $\mu_{\bar{C}} = \mu_C \cdot I$

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17: LEMMA

$$|\theta_m| \leq 1 \quad (m = 1, \dots, M)$$

almost everywhere, so

$$||\underline{\theta}|| \leq M^{1/2}$$

almost everywhere.

18: THEOREM

$$||\underline{\theta}|| = 1$$

almost everywhere.

PROOF Let $0 < \delta < 1$ and let

$$S = \{x: ||\underline{\theta}(x)|| < 1 - \delta\}.$$

Then

$$\mu_C(S) = \sup_{\{P\}} \sum_{E \in P} \left\{ \sum_{m=1}^M v_m(E)^2 \right\}^{1/2}.$$

But

$$\begin{aligned} v_m(E) &= \int_E \frac{dv_m}{d\mu_C} d\mu_C \\ &= \int_E \theta_m d\mu_C. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} &\left\{ \sum_{m=1}^M v_m(E)^2 \right\}^{1/2} \\ &= \left\{ \sum_{m=1}^M \left(\int_E \theta_m d\mu_C \right)^2 \right\}^{1/2} \\ &\leq \int_E \left\{ \sum_{m=1}^M \theta_m^2 \right\}^{1/2} d\mu_C \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \int_E \|\underline{\theta}(x)\| \, d\mu_C \\
&\leq (1 - \delta) \int_E \, d\mu_C \\
&= (1 - \delta) \mu_C(E).
\end{aligned}$$

Since

$$S = \bigsqcup E,$$

it follows that

$$\sum_{E \in \mathcal{P}} \left\{ \sum_{m=1}^M v_m(E)^2 \right\}^{1/2} \leq (1 - \delta) \mu_C(S).$$

Taking the supremum over the \mathcal{P} then implies that

$$\mu_C(S) \leq (1 - \delta) \mu_C(S),$$

thus $\mu_C(S) = 0$ and $\|\underline{\theta}(x)\| \geq 1$ almost everywhere (let $\delta = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \dots$). To derive a contradiction, take $M \geq 2$ and suppose that $\|\underline{\theta}(x)\| \geq 1 + \delta > 1$ on some set T such that $\mu_C(T) > 0$ -- then for some vector

$$\underline{\xi} = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_M) \in \mathbb{R}^M \quad (\|\underline{\xi}\| = 1),$$

the set

$$T(\underline{\xi}) = \{x \in T : \left| \frac{\underline{\theta}(x)}{\|\underline{\theta}(x)\|} - \underline{\xi} \right| \leq \frac{\delta}{M^2}\}$$

has measure $\mu_C(T(\underline{\xi})) > 0$ (see below). Let

$$\underline{\lambda}_j = (\lambda_{j1}, \dots, \lambda_{jM}) \quad (j = 2, \dots, M)$$

be unit vectors such that

$$\lambda = \begin{bmatrix} \xi_1, \dots, \xi_M \\ \lambda_{21}, \dots, \lambda_{2M} \\ \vdots \\ \lambda_{M1}, \dots, \lambda_{MM} \end{bmatrix}$$

is an orthogonal matrix. Viewing λ as a linear orthogonal transformation, from as above $\bar{C} = \lambda C$, hence

$$(\bar{\theta}_1, \dots, \bar{\theta}_M) = \lambda(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_M).$$

On $T(\underline{\xi})$,

$$\begin{aligned} |\bar{\theta}_j| &= |\lambda_{j1}\theta_1 + \dots + \lambda_{jM}\theta_M| \\ &\leq \|\underline{\theta}\| \frac{\delta}{M^2} \\ &\leq M^{1/2} \frac{\delta}{M^2} \leq M \frac{\delta}{M^2} = \frac{\delta}{M}, \end{aligned}$$

while

$$\begin{aligned} \|\underline{\bar{\theta}}\| &\leq |\bar{\theta}_1| + \dots + |\bar{\theta}_M| \\ \Rightarrow |\bar{\theta}_1| &\geq \|\underline{\bar{\theta}}\| - |\bar{\theta}_2| - \dots - |\bar{\theta}_M| \\ &\geq (1 + \delta) - (M - 1) \frac{\delta}{M} = 1 + \frac{\delta}{M}. \end{aligned}$$

However

$$|\bar{\theta}_1| \leq 1,$$

so we have a contradiction.

19: N.B. Let $\{\xi_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be a dense subset of the unit sphere $U(M)$ in \mathbb{R}^M (thus $\forall n, \|\xi_n\| = 1$). Given a point $x \in T$, pass to

$$\frac{\underline{\theta}(x)}{\|\underline{\theta}(x)\|} \in U(M).$$

Then there exists a $\underline{\xi}_{n_x}$:

$$\left\| \frac{\underline{\theta}(x)}{\|\underline{\theta}(x)\|} - \underline{\xi}_{n_x} \right\| < \frac{\delta}{M^2},$$

a point in the $\frac{\delta}{M^2}$ -neighborhood of

$$\frac{\underline{\theta}(x)}{\|\underline{\theta}(x)\|}$$

in $U(M)$. Therefore

$$T = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} T(\underline{\xi}_n)$$

\Rightarrow

$$0 < \mu_C(T) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu_C(T(\underline{\xi}_n))$$

$\Rightarrow \exists n:$

$$\mu_C(T(\underline{\xi}_n)) > 0.$$

§7. TWO THEOREMS

Let

$$C \longleftrightarrow \underline{f}: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$$

be a curve, continuous and rectifiable.

Let $P \in \mathcal{P}[a, b]$, say

$$P: a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n = b.$$

1: DEFINITION Let $i = 1, \dots, n$ and for $m = 1, \dots, M$ let

$$\eta_m(x; P) = \frac{f_m(x_i) - f_m(x_{i-1})}{\mu_C([x_{i-1}, x_i])},$$

where $x_{i-1} < x < x_i$ if $\mu_C([x_{i-1}, x_i]) \neq 0$ and let

$$\eta_m(x; P) = 0,$$

where $x_{i-1} < x < x_i$ if $\mu_C([x_{i-1}, x_i]) = 0$.

2: NOTATION

$$\underline{\eta}(x; P) = (\eta_1(x; P), \dots, \eta_M(x; P)).$$

3: THEOREM

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b \|\underline{\theta}(x) - \underline{\eta}(x; P)\|^2 d\mu_C \\ \leq 2[\ell(C) - \sum_{i=1}^n \|\underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})\|]. \end{aligned}$$

PROOF Given $P \in \mathcal{P}[a, b]$, let Σ' denote a sum over intervals $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$, where

$\|\underline{\eta}(x; P)\|^2 \neq 0$ and let Σ'' denote a sum over what remains. Now compute:

2.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_a^b \|\underline{\theta}(x) - \underline{\eta}(x;P)\|^2 d\mu_C \\
&= \Sigma' \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} \|\underline{\theta}(x) - \underline{\eta}(x;P)\|^2 d\mu_C \\
&\quad + \Sigma'' \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} \|\underline{\theta}(x)\|^2 d\mu_C \\
&= \Sigma' \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} [\|\underline{\theta}(x)\|^2 + \|\underline{\eta}(x;P)\|^2 - 2\underline{\theta}(x) \cdot \underline{\eta}(x;P)] d\mu_C \\
&\quad + \Sigma'' \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} \|\underline{\theta}(x)\|^2 d\mu_C \\
&= \Sigma' \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} [1 + \|\underline{\eta}(x;P)\|^2 - 2\underline{\theta}(x) \cdot \underline{\eta}(x;P)] d\mu_C \\
&\quad + \Sigma'' \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} 1 d\mu_C \\
&= \Sigma' [\mu_C([x_{i-1}, x_i])] \\
&\quad + \left[\frac{\|\underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})\|}{\mu_C([x_{i-1}, x_i])} \right]^2 \mu_C([x_{i-1}, x_i]) \\
&\quad - 2 \frac{\|\underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})\|^2}{\mu_C([x_{i-1}, x_i])} + \Sigma'' \mu_C([x_{i-1}, x_i]) \\
&\leq \ell(C) - \Sigma' \frac{\|\underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})\|^2}{\mu_C([x_{i-1}, x_i])} \\
&\leq \ell(C) - \Sigma' \|\underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})\|
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \Sigma' \left| \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1}) \right| \left(1 - \frac{\left| \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1}) \right|}{\mu_C([x_{i-1}, x_i])} \right) \\
& \leq \ell(C) - \Sigma' \left| \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1}) \right| \\
& + \Sigma' \mu_C([x_{i-1}, x_i]) \left(1 - \frac{\left| \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1}) \right|}{\mu_C([x_{i-1}, x_i])} \right) \\
& \leq \ell(C) - \Sigma' \left| \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1}) \right| \\
& + \Sigma' (\mu_C([x_{i-1}, x_i]) - \left| \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1}) \right|) \\
& \leq \ell(C) - \Sigma' \left| \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1}) \right| \\
& + \Sigma' \mu_C([x_{i-1}, x_i]) - \Sigma' \left| \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1}) \right| \\
& = \ell(C) + \Sigma' \mu_C([x_{i-1}, x_i]) - 2 \Sigma' \left| \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1}) \right| \\
& = \ell(C) + \ell(C) - 2 \Sigma' \left| \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1}) \right| \\
& = 2[\ell(C) - \Sigma' \left| \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1}) \right|] \\
& = 2[\ell(C) - \sum_{i=1}^n \left| \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1}) \right|].
\end{aligned}$$

4: N.B. By definition, $\mu_C([x_{i-1}, x_i])$ is the length of the restriction of

C to $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$, i.e.,

$$\mu_C([x_{i-1}, x_i]) = s(x_i) - s(x_{i-1}).$$

Moreover

$$\left| \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1}) \right| \leq s(x_i) - s(x_{i-1}).$$

So, if $\mu_C([x_{i-1}, x_i]) = 0$, then

$$||\underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})|| = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{f}(x_i) = \underline{f}(x_{i-1})$$

\Rightarrow

$$\begin{aligned} & \Sigma' ||\underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})|| \\ &= \Sigma' ||\underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})|| + \Sigma'' ||\underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})|| \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n ||\underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})||. \end{aligned}$$

Abbreviate

$$L^2([a,b], \mathcal{BO}([a,b]), \mu_C)$$

to

$$L^2(\mu_C).$$

5: APPLICATION In $L^2(\mu_C)$,

$$\lim_{||P|| \rightarrow 0} \underline{\eta}(\underline{---}; P) = \underline{\theta}.$$

6: SETUP

$$\bullet C_0 \longleftrightarrow \underline{f}_0: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$$

is a curve, continuous and rectifiable.

$$\bullet C_k \longleftrightarrow \underline{f}_k: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots)$$

is a sequence of curves, continuous and rectifiable.

Assumption: \underline{f}_k converges uniformly to \underline{f}_0 in $[a,b]$ and

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \ell(C_k) = \ell(C_0).$$

7: THEOREM

$$\lim_{\|Q\| \rightarrow 0} \int_a^b (f_k; Q) = \ell(C_k) \quad (Q \in \mathcal{P}[a, b])$$

uniformly in k , i.e., $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ such that

$$\|Q\| < \delta \Rightarrow \left| \int_a^b (f_k; Q) - \ell(C_k) \right| < \varepsilon$$

for all $k = 1, 2, \dots$, or still,

$$\|Q\| < \delta \Rightarrow \ell(C_k) - \int_a^b (f_k; Q) < \varepsilon$$

for all $k = 1, 2, \dots$.

The proof will emerge in the lines to follow. Start the process by choosing $\delta_0 > 0$ such that

$$\ell(C_0) - \int_a^b (f_0; P_0) < \frac{\varepsilon}{4}$$

provided $\|P_0\| < \delta_0$. Consider a $P \in \mathcal{P}[a, b]$:

$$a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n = b$$

with $\|P\| < \delta_0$. Choose $\rho > 0$ such that

$$\left| \int_{\underline{k}} f_k(c) - \int_{\underline{k}} f_k(d) \right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{4n} \quad ([c, d] \subset [a, b])$$

for all $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, so long as $|c - d| < \rho$ (equicontinuity). Take a partition $Q \in \mathcal{P}[a, b]$:

$$a = y_0 < y_1 < \dots < y_m = b$$

subject to

$$\|Q\| < \gamma \equiv \min_{i=1, \dots, n} \left\{ \rho, \frac{x_i - x_{i-1}}{2} \right\} \quad (\Rightarrow \|Q\| < \delta_0).$$

Put

$$\alpha_k = \sup_{a < x < b} \left| \frac{f_k(x)}{\underline{k}} - \frac{f_0(x)}{\underline{0}} \right|$$

and let k_0 be such that

$$k > k_0 \Rightarrow \alpha_k < \frac{\varepsilon}{4n} \quad \text{and} \quad |\ell(C_k) - \ell(C_0)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{4}.$$

The preparations complete, to minimize technicalities we shall suppose that each $I_j = [y_{j-1}, y_j]$ is contained in just one $I_i = [x_{i-1}, x_i]$ and write $\Sigma^{(i)}$ for a sum over all such I_j -- then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b (f_k; Q) &= \sum_{j=1}^m \int_{\underline{k}} v(f_k; I_j) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^m \left| \frac{f_k(y_j)}{\underline{k}} - \frac{f_k(y_{j-1})}{\underline{k}} \right| \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \Sigma^{(i)} \left| \frac{f_k(y_j)}{\underline{k}} - \frac{f_k(y_{j-1})}{\underline{k}} \right| \\ &\geq \sum_{i=1}^n \left| \frac{f_k(x_i)}{\underline{k}} - \frac{f_k(x_{i-1})}{\underline{k}} \right|. \end{aligned}$$

8: SUBLEMMA Let $\underline{A}, \underline{B}, \underline{C}, \underline{D} \in \mathbb{R}^M$ --- then

$$\|\underline{C} - \underline{D}\| > \|\underline{A} - \underline{B}\| - \|\underline{A} - \underline{C}\| - \|\underline{B} - \underline{D}\|.$$

[In fact,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\underline{A} - \underline{B}\| &= \|\underline{A} - \underline{C} + \underline{C} - \underline{D} + \underline{D} - \underline{B}\| \\ &\leq \|\underline{A} - \underline{C}\| + \|\underline{C} - \underline{D}\| + \|\underline{D} - \underline{B}\|. \end{aligned}$$

Take

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \underline{C} = \frac{f_k(x_1)}{\underline{k}} \\ \underline{D} = \frac{f_k(x_{i-1})}{\underline{k}} \end{array} \right], \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \underline{A} = \frac{f_0(x_1)}{\underline{0}} \\ \underline{B} = \frac{f_0(x_{i-1})}{\underline{0}} \end{array} \right].$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_{\underline{k}} f_k(x_i) - \int_{\underline{k}} f_k(x_{i-1}) \right| \\ & \geq \left| \int_{\underline{0}} f_0(x_i) - \int_{\underline{0}} f_0(x_{i-1}) \right| \\ & - \left| \int_{\underline{0}} f_0(x_i) - \int_{\underline{k}} f_k(x_i) \right| - \left| \int_{\underline{0}} f_0(x_{i-1}) - \int_{\underline{k}} f_k(x_{i-1}) \right|, \end{aligned}$$

thus

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^n \left| \int_{\underline{k}} f_k(x_i) - \int_{\underline{k}} f_k(x_{i-1}) \right| \\ & \geq \ell(C_0) - \frac{\varepsilon}{4} - n\sigma_k - n\sigma_k \\ & \geq \ell(C_0) - \frac{\varepsilon}{4} - \frac{\varepsilon}{4} - \frac{\varepsilon}{4} \\ & = \ell(C_0) - \frac{3\varepsilon}{4}. \end{aligned}$$

But

$$\begin{aligned} k > k_0 & \Rightarrow \left| \ell(C_k) - \ell(C_0) \right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{4} \\ & \Rightarrow \ell(C_k) - \frac{\varepsilon}{4} < \ell(C_0). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \ell(C_0) - \frac{3\varepsilon}{4} & > \ell(C_k) - \frac{\varepsilon}{4} - \frac{3\varepsilon}{4} \\ & = \ell(C_k) - \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Thus: $\forall k > k_0,$

$$\ell(C_k) - \int_a^b (f_k; Q) < \varepsilon \quad (||Q|| < \gamma).$$

Finally, for $k \leq k_0$, let γ_k be chosen so as to ensure that

$$\ell(C_k) - \int_a^b (f_k; Q) < \varepsilon$$

for all partitions Q with $\|Q\| < \gamma_k$. Put now

$$\delta = \min_{1, \dots, k_0} \{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_{k_0}, \gamma\}.$$

Then

$$\|Q\| < \delta \Rightarrow \ell(C_k) - \int_a^b (f_k; Q) < \varepsilon$$

for all $k = 1, 2, \dots$.

Changing the notation (replace Q by P), $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta > 0$ such that

$$\|P\| < \delta \Rightarrow \ell(C_k) - \int_a^b (f_k; P) < \varepsilon$$

for all $k = 1, 2, \dots$. Consequently

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b \left| \theta_k(x) - \eta_k(x; P) \right|^2 d\mu_{C_k} \\ & \leq 2 \left[\ell(C_k) - \sum_{i=1}^n \left| \int_a^{x_i} (f_k; P) - \int_a^{x_{i-1}} (f_k; P) \right| \right] \\ & = 2 \left[\ell(C_k) - \int_a^b (f_k; P) \right] \\ & < 2\varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

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§8. LINE INTEGRALS

Let

$$C \longleftrightarrow \underline{f}: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$$

be a curve, continuous and rectifiable.

Suppose that

$$F: [C] \times \mathbb{R}^M \rightarrow \mathbb{R},$$

say

$$F(\underline{x}, \underline{t}) \quad (\underline{x} \in [C], \underline{t} \in \mathbb{R}^M).$$

1: DEFINITION F is a parametric integrand if F is continuous in $(\underline{x}, \underline{t})$ and $\forall K \geq 0$,

$$F(\underline{x}, K\underline{t}) = KF(\underline{x}, \underline{t}).$$

2: EXAMPLE Let

$$F(\underline{x}, \underline{t}) = (t_1^2 + \dots + t_M^2)^{1/2}.$$

3: EXAMPLE ($M = 2$) Let

$$F(x_1, x_2, t_1, t_2) = x_1 t_2 - x_2 t_1.$$

4: N.B. If F is a parametric integrand, then $\forall \underline{x}$,

$$F(\underline{x}, \underline{0}) = 0.$$

5: RAPPEL

$$||\underline{0}|| = 1$$

almost everywhere.

6: LEMMA Suppose that F is a parametric integrand -- then the integral

$$I(C) \equiv \int_a^b F(\underline{f}(x), \underline{\theta}(x)) d\mu_C$$

exists.

PROOF $[C] \times U(M)$ is a compact set on which F is bounded. Since

$$(\underline{f}(x), \underline{\theta}(x)) \in [C] \times U(M)$$

almost everywhere, the function

$$F(\underline{f}(x), \underline{\theta}(x))$$

is Borel measurable and essentially bounded w.r.t. the measure μ_C . Therefore

$$I(C) \equiv \int_a^b F(\underline{f}(x), \underline{\theta}(x)) d\mu_C$$

exists.

[Note: The requirement "homogeneous of degree 1" in t plays no role in the course of establishing the existence of $I(C)$. It will, however, be decisive in the considerations to follow.]

Let $P \in \mathcal{P}[a,b]$ and let ξ_i be a point in $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$).

7: THEOREM If F is a parametric integrand, then

$$\lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^n F(\underline{f}(\xi_i), \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1}))$$

exists and equals $I(C)$, denote it by the symbol

$$\int_C F,$$

and call it the line integral of F along C .

PROOF Fix $\varepsilon > 0$ and let $B(M)$ be the unit ball in \mathbb{R}^M . Put

$$M_F = \sup_{[C] \times B(M)} |F|.$$

Choose $\gamma > 0$:

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} || \underline{x}_1 - \underline{x}_2 || < \gamma \quad (\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2 \in [C]) \\ || \underline{t}_1 - \underline{t}_2 || < \gamma \quad (\underline{t}_1, \underline{t}_2 \in B(M)) \end{array} \right.$$

\Rightarrow

$$|F(\underline{x}_1, \underline{t}_1) - F(\underline{x}_2, \underline{t}_2)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3\ell(C)}.$$

Introduce $\underline{\eta}(x; P)$ and set

$$g(x; P) = F(\underline{f}(\xi_i), \underline{\eta}(x; P))$$

if $x_{i-1} < x < x_i$ -- then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b g(x; P) d\mu_C &= \sum_{i=1}^n F(\underline{f}(\xi_i), \frac{\underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})}{\mu_C([x_{i-1}, x_i])}) \mu_C([x_{i-1}, x_i]) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n F(\underline{f}(\xi_i), \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})) \end{aligned}$$

modulo the usual convention if $\mu_C([x_{i-1}, x_i]) = 0$. Recall now that in $L^2(\mu_C)$,

$$\lim_{||P|| \rightarrow 0} \underline{\eta}(\cdot; P) = \underline{\theta},$$

hence $\underline{\eta}(\cdot; P)$ converges in measure to $\underline{\theta}$, so there is a $\rho > 0$ such that for all P with $||P|| < \rho$,

$$||\underline{\theta}(x) - \underline{\eta}(x; P)|| < \gamma$$

except on a set S_P of measure

$$\mu_C(S_P) < \frac{\varepsilon}{3M_F}.$$

Define σ :

$$|t_1 - t_2| < \delta \Rightarrow ||f(t_1) - f(t_2)|| < \gamma.$$

Let $\delta = \min(\sigma, \rho)$ and let P be any partition with $\|P\| < \delta$ -- then

$$\begin{aligned} I(C) &= \sum_{i=1}^n F(\underline{f}(\xi_i), \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})) \\ &= \int_a^b F(\underline{f}(x), \underline{\theta}(x)) d\mu_C - \int_a^b g(x; P) d\mu_C \\ &= \int_a^b [F(\underline{f}(x), \underline{\theta}(x)) - g(x; P)] d\mu_C. \end{aligned}$$

By definition, $\delta \leq \rho$, hence

$$\|\underline{\theta}(x) - \underline{\eta}(x; P)\| < \gamma$$

except in S_P , and

$$\|\underline{f}(x) - \underline{f}(\xi_i)\| < \gamma$$

since

$$|x - \xi_i| < \gamma \quad (x_{i-1} \leq x \leq x_i).$$

To complete the argument, take absolute values:

$$\begin{aligned} |I(C) - \sum_{i=1}^n F(\underline{f}(\xi_i), \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1}))| \\ \leq \int_a^b |F(\underline{f}(x), \underline{\theta}(x)) - g(x; P)| d\mu_C \\ = \int_{[a,b] - S_P} |\dots| d\mu_C + \int_{S_P} |\dots| d\mu_C. \end{aligned}$$

- On $[a,b] - S_P$ at an index i ,

$$\begin{aligned} &|F(\underline{f}(x), \underline{\theta}(x)) - g(x; P)| \\ &= |F(\underline{f}(x), \underline{\theta}(x)) - F(\underline{f}(\xi_i), \underline{\eta}(x; P))| \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{3\ell(C)}. \end{aligned}$$

Here, of course, up to a set of measure 0,

$$\underline{\theta}(x) \in B(M) \text{ and } \underline{\eta}(x;P) \in B(M).$$

Therefore

$$\int_{[a,b]-S_P} |\dots| d\mu_C \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{3\ell(C)} \ell(C) = \frac{\varepsilon}{3}.$$

- On S_P ,

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} |F(\underline{f}(x), \underline{\theta}(x))| \leq M_F \\ |F(\underline{f}(\xi_1), \underline{\eta}(x;P))| \leq M_F. \end{array} \right.$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{S_P} |\dots| d\mu_C &\leq 2M_F \int_{S_P} 1 d\mu_C \\ &= 2M_F \mu_C(S_P) \\ &< 2M_F \frac{\varepsilon}{3M_F} = \frac{2\varepsilon}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

So in conclusion,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{[a,b]-S_P} |\dots| d\mu_C + \int_{S_P} |\dots| d\mu_C \\ < \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{2\varepsilon}{3} = \varepsilon \quad (||P|| < \delta) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$I(C) = \int_C F.$$

8: N.B. The end result is independent of the choice of the ξ_1 .

9: THEOREM If $f_1, \dots, f_M \in AC[a,b]$, then for any parametric integrand F ,

$$\int_C F = \int_a^b F(f_1(x), \dots, f_M(x), f_1'(x), \dots, f_M'(x)) dx,$$

the integral on the right being in the sense of Lebesgue.

PROOF The absolute continuity of the f_m implies that

$$\nu_C([c,d]) = \int_c^d ||f'|| dx$$

for every subinterval $[c,d] \subset [a,b]$, hence ν_C is absolutely continuous w.r.t.

Lebesgue measure. It is also true that ν_m is absolutely continuous w.r.t. Lebesgue measure. This said, write

$$f'_m = \frac{df_m}{dx} = \frac{d\nu_m}{dx} = \frac{d\nu_m}{d\nu_C} \frac{d\nu_C}{dx} = \theta_m \frac{d\nu_C}{dx}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} I(C) &= \int_a^b F(\underline{f}(x), \underline{\theta}(x)) d\nu_C \\ &= \int_a^b F(\underline{f}(x), \underline{\theta}(x)) \frac{d\nu_C}{dx} dx \\ &= \int_a^b F(\underline{f}(x), \underline{\theta}(x)) \frac{d\nu_C}{dx} dx, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\frac{d\nu_C}{dx} = ||\underline{f}'|| \geq 0.$$

Continuing

$$\begin{aligned} I(C) &= \int_a^b F(f_1(x), \dots, f_M(x), \theta_1(x) \frac{d\nu_C}{dx}, \dots, \theta_M(x) \frac{d\nu_C}{dx}) dx \\ &= \int_a^b F(f_1(x), \dots, f_M(x), f_1'(x), \dots, f_M'(x)) dx, \end{aligned}$$

the integrals being in the sense of Lebesgue.

Let

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} C \longleftrightarrow \underline{f}: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ D \longleftrightarrow \underline{g}: [c,d] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \end{array} \right.$$

be curves, continuous and rectifiable.

10: RAPPEL If C and D are Fréchet equivalent, then

$$[C] = [D] \text{ and } \ell(C) = \ell(D).$$

11: THEOREM If C and D are Fréchet equivalent and if F is a parametric integrand, then

$$\int_C F = \int_D F.$$

PROOF Fix $\varepsilon > 0$ and choose $\delta > 0$:

- $P \in \mathcal{P}[a,b]$ & $\|P\| < \delta \Rightarrow$

$$\left| I(C) - \sum_{i=1}^n F(\underline{f}(\xi_i), \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})) \right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}.$$

- $Q \in \mathcal{P}[c,d]$ & $\|Q\| < \delta \Rightarrow$

$$\left| I(D) - \sum_{j=1}^m F(\underline{f}(\xi_j), \underline{f}(y_j) - \underline{f}(y_{j-1})) \right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}.$$

Fix P and Q satisfying these conditions and let k be the number of intervals in P and let ℓ be the number of intervals in Q . Fix $\gamma > 0$ such that

$$|F(\underline{x}_1, \underline{t}_1) - F(\underline{x}_2, \underline{t}_2)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3(k+\ell)}$$

when

$$\|\underline{x}_1 - \underline{x}_2\| < \gamma \quad (\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2 \in [C] = [D])$$

and

$$\|\underline{t}_1 - \underline{t}_2\| < 2\gamma \quad (\|\underline{t}_1\| \leq \ell(C), \|\underline{t}_2\| \leq \ell(D)).$$

Let $\phi: [a, b] \rightarrow [c, d]$ be a homeomorphism ($\phi(a) = c$, $\phi(b) = d$) such that

$$| | \underline{f}(x) - \underline{g}(\phi(x)) | | < \gamma \quad (x \in [a, b]).$$

Let

$$P^*: a = x_0^* < x_1^* < \dots < x_r^* = b$$

be the partition obtained from P by adjoining the images under ϕ^{-1} of the partition points of Q . Let

$$Q^*: c = y_0^* < y_1^* < \dots < y_s^* = d$$

be the partition obtained from Q by adjoining the images under ϕ of the partition points of P . So, by construction, $r = s$, either one is $\leq k + l$, and $y_p^* = \phi(x_p^*)$

($p = 0, 1, \dots, q$). Choose a point $\xi_p \in [x_{p-1}^*, x_p^*]$ and work with

$$\underline{f}(\xi_p) \text{ and } \underline{g}(\phi(\xi_p)).$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} & |I(C) - I(D)| \\ & \leq |I(C) - \sum_{p=1}^q F(\underline{f}(\xi_p), \underline{f}(x_p^*) - \underline{f}(x_{p-1}^*))| \\ & + \sum_{p=1}^q |F(\underline{f}(\xi_p), \underline{f}(x_p^*) - \underline{f}(x_{p-1}^*)) - F(\underline{g}(\phi(\xi_p)), \underline{g}(y_p^*) - \underline{g}(y_{p-1}^*))| \\ & + | \sum_{p=1}^q F(\underline{g}(\phi(\xi_p)), \underline{g}(y_p^*) - \underline{g}(y_{p-1}^*)) - I(D) |. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\begin{cases} ||P^*|| \leq ||P|| < \delta \\ ||Q^*|| \leq ||Q|| < \delta, \end{cases}$$

the first and third terms are each $< \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$. As for the middle term,

$$||\underline{f}(\xi_p) - \underline{g}(\phi(\xi_p))|| < \gamma$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & ||\underline{f}(x_p^*) - \underline{f}(x_{p-1}^*) - \underline{g}(y_p^*) + \underline{g}(y_{p-1}^*)|| \\ & \leq ||\underline{f}(x_p^*) - \underline{g}(y_p^*)|| + ||\underline{f}(x_{p-1}^*) - \underline{g}(y_{p-1}^*)|| \\ & = ||\underline{f}(x_p^*) - \underline{g}(\phi(x_p^*))|| + ||\underline{f}(x_{p-1}^*) - \underline{g}(\phi(x_{p-1}^*))|| \\ & < \gamma + \gamma = 2\gamma. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the middle term is

$$< q \frac{\varepsilon}{3(k+l)} = \frac{q}{k+l} \frac{\varepsilon}{3} < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}.$$

And finally

$$|I(C) - I(D)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} = \varepsilon$$

\Rightarrow

$$I(C) = I(D) \quad (\varepsilon \downarrow 0)$$

\Rightarrow

$$\int_C F = \int_D F.$$

12: SETUP

- $C_0 \longleftrightarrow \underline{f}_0: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$

is a curve, continuous and rectifiable.

- $C_k \longleftrightarrow \underline{f}_k: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots)$

is a sequence of curves, continuous and rectifiable.

Assumption: \underline{f}_k converges uniformly to \underline{f}_0 in $[a,b]$ and

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \ell(C_k) = \ell(C_0).$$

13: THEOREM

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} I(C_k) = I(C_0)$$

or still,

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{C_k} F = \int_{C_0} F.$$

§9. QUASI ADDITIVITY

1: DATA A is a nonempty set, $I = \{I\}$ is a nonempty collection of subsets of A , $\mathcal{D} = \{D\}$ is a nonempty collection of nonempty finite collections $D = [I]$ of sets $I \in I$, and δ is a real valued function defined on \mathcal{D} .

2: DEFINITIONS The sets $I \in I$ are called intervals, the collections $D \in \mathcal{D}$ are called systems, and the function δ is called a mesh.

3: ASSUMPTIONS A is a nonempty topological space, each interval I has a nonempty interior, the intervals of each system D are nonoverlapping: $I_1, I_2 \in D$, $I_1 \neq I_2$

=>

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{int } I_1 \cap \text{cl } I_2 = \emptyset \\ \text{cl } I_1 \cap \text{int } I_2 = \emptyset. \end{array} \right.$$

4: ASSUMPTION For each system D , $0 < \delta(D) < +\infty$, and each $\varepsilon > 0$, there are systems with $\delta(D) < \varepsilon$.

5: REMARK In the presence of δ , one is able to convert \mathcal{D} into a directed set with direction " $>$ " by defining $D_2 > D_1$ iff $\delta(D_2) < \delta(D_1)$.

6: EXAMPLE Take $A = [a, b]$ and let $I = \{I\}$ be the collection of all closed subintervals of $[a, b]$. Take for \mathcal{D} the class of all partitions D of $[a, b]$, i.e., $\mathcal{D} = P[a, b]$, and let $\delta(D)$ be the norm of D .

[Note: Strictly speaking, an element of $P[a, b]$ is a finite set $P = \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}$, where

$$a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n = b,$$

the associated element D in \mathcal{D} being the set

$$[x_{i-1}, x_i] \quad (i = 1, \dots, n).]$$

7: DEFINITION An interval function is a function $\phi: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$.

[Note: Associated with ϕ are the interval functions $||\phi||$, as well as

$$\phi_m, |\phi_m|, \begin{cases} \phi_m^+ \\ \phi_m^- \end{cases} \quad (m = 1, \dots, M).]$$

8: NOTATION Given an interval function ϕ , a subset $S \subset A$, and a system $D = [I]$, put

$$\Sigma[\phi, S, D] = \sum_I s(I, S) \phi(I),$$

where \sum_I ranges over all $I \in D$ and $s(I, S) = 1$ or 0 depending on whether $I \subset S$ or

$I \not\subset S$.

[Note: Take for S the empty set \emptyset -- then $I \subset \emptyset$ is inadmissible (I has a nonempty interior) and $I \not\subset \emptyset$ gives rise to zero. Therefore

$$\Sigma[\phi, \emptyset, D] = 0.]$$

9: N.B. The absolute situation is when $S = A$, thus in this case,

$$\Sigma[\phi, A, D] \equiv \Sigma[\phi, D] = \sum_I \phi(I).$$

10: DEFINITION Given an interval function ϕ and a subset $S \subset A$, the BC-integral of ϕ over S is

$$\lim_{\delta(D) \rightarrow 0} \Sigma[\phi, S, D]$$

provided the limit exists in \mathbb{R}^M .

[Note: B = Burkill and C = Cesari.]

11: NOTATION The BC-integral of ϕ over S is denoted by

$$\text{BC} \int_S \phi.$$

12: EXAMPLE

$$\text{BC} \int_{\emptyset} \phi = \underline{0} \ (\in \mathbb{R}^M).$$

13: DEFINITION An interval function ϕ is quasi additive on S if for each $\epsilon > 0$ there exists $\eta(\epsilon, S) > 0$ such that if $D_0 = [I_0]$ is any system subject to $\delta(D_0) < \eta(\epsilon, S)$ there also exists $\lambda(\epsilon, S, D_0) > 0$ such that for every system $D = [I]$ with $\delta(D) < \lambda(\epsilon, S, D_0)$, the relations

$$(\text{qa}_1\text{-S}) \sum_{I_0} s(I_0, S) \left| \left| \sum_I s(I, I_0) \phi(I) - \phi(I_0) \right| \right| < \epsilon$$

$$(\text{qa}_2\text{-S}) \sum_I s(I, S) \left[1 - \sum_{I_0} s(I, I_0) s(I_0, S) \right] \left| \left| \phi(I) \right| \right| < \epsilon$$

obtain.

14: N.B. In the absolute situation, matters read as follows: An interval function ϕ is quasi additive if for each $\epsilon > 0$ there exists $\eta(\epsilon) > 0$ such that if $D_0 = [I_0]$ is any system subject to $\delta(D_0) < \eta(\epsilon)$ there exists $\lambda(\epsilon, D_0) > 0$ such that for every system $D = [I]$ with $\delta(D) < \lambda(\epsilon, D_0)$, the relations

$$(\text{qa}_1\text{-A}) \sum_{I_0} \left| \left| \sum_{I \subset I_0} \phi(I) - \phi(I_0) \right| \right| < \epsilon$$

$$(qa_2^{-A}) \sum_{I \neq I_0} ||\phi(I)|| < \varepsilon$$

obtain.

[Note: The sum

$$\sum_{I \neq I_0} ||\phi(I)||$$

is over all $I \in D$, $I \neq I_0$ for any $I_0 \in D_0$.]

So, under the preceding conditions,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_I \phi(I) - \sum_{I_0} \phi(I_0) \\ &= \sum_{I_0} [\sum_{I \in I_0} \phi(I) - \phi(I_0)] + \sum_{I \neq I_0} \phi(I) \end{aligned}$$

=>

$$|| \sum_I \phi(I) - \sum_{I_0} \phi(I_0) || < 2\varepsilon.$$

15: THEOREM If ϕ is quasi additive on S , then

$$BC \int_S \phi$$

exists.

PROOF To simplify the combinatorics, take $S = A$. Given $\varepsilon > 0$, let $\eta(\varepsilon)$, D_0 , $\lambda(\varepsilon, D_0)$ be per qa_1^{-A} , qa_2^{-A} and suppose that $D_1, D_2 \in \mathcal{D}$, where

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \delta(D_1) < \lambda(\varepsilon, D_0) \\ \delta(D_2) < \lambda(\varepsilon, D_0). \end{array} \right.$$

Then

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \left| \left| \sum_{I_1} \phi(I_1) - \sum_{I_0} \phi(I_0) \right| \right| < 2\epsilon \\ \left| \left| \sum_{I_2} \phi(I_2) - \sum_{I_0} \phi(I_0) \right| \right| < 2\epsilon \end{array} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \left| \sum_{I_1} \phi(I_1) - \sum_{I_2} \phi(I_2) \right| \right| < 4\epsilon.$$

Therefore BC $\int_A \phi$ exists.

16: REMARK

- If the ϕ_m ($m = 1, \dots, M$) are quasi additive, then ϕ is quasi additive.
- If the $|\phi_m|$ ($m = 1, \dots, M$) are quasi additive, then $||\phi||$ is quasi additive.

17: DEFINITION A real valued interval function ψ is quasi subadditive on S if for each $\epsilon > 0$ there exists $\eta(\epsilon, S) > 0$ such that if $D_0 = [I_0]$ is any system subject to $\delta(D_0) < \eta(\epsilon, S)$ there also exists $\lambda(\epsilon, S, D_0) > 0$ such that for every system $D = [I]$ with $\delta(D) < \lambda(\epsilon, S, D_0)$ the relation

$$(qsa - S) \sum_{I_0} s(I_0, S) \left[\sum_I s(I, I_0) \psi(I) - \psi(I_0) \right]^- < \epsilon$$

obtains.

18: N.B. In the absolute situation, matters read as follows: ...

$$(qsa - A) \sum_{I_0} \left[\sum_{I \subset I_0} \psi(I) - \psi(I_0) \right]^- < \epsilon.$$

19: LEMMA If $\psi: \mathcal{D} \rightarrow R_{\geq 0}$ is nonnegative and quasi subadditive on S , then

$$\text{BC } \int_S \psi$$

exists ($+\infty$ is a permissible value).

20: THEOREM If $\psi: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ is nonnegative and quasi subadditive on S and if

$$\text{BC } \int_S \psi$$

is finite, then ψ is quasi additive on S .

PROOF To simplify the combinatorics, take $S = A$. Since

$$\text{BC } \int_A \psi$$

exists and is finite, given $\varepsilon > 0$ there is a number $\mu(\varepsilon) > 0$ such that for any

$D_0 = [I_0] \in \mathcal{D}$ with $\delta(D_0) < \mu(\varepsilon)$, we have

$$\left| \text{BC } \int_A \psi - \sum_{I_0} \psi(I_0) \right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3},$$

where \sum_{I_0} is a sum ranging over all $I_0 \in D_0$. Now choose D_0 in such a way that

$$\delta(D_0) < \min\{\mu(\varepsilon), \eta(\varepsilon/6)\},$$

take

$$\lambda'(\varepsilon) = \min\{\mu(\varepsilon), \lambda(\varepsilon/6, D_0)\},$$

and consider any system $D = [I]$ with $\delta(D) < \lambda'$. Since ψ is quasi subadditive,

$$\sum_{I_0} \left[\sum_{I \in I_0} \psi(I) - \psi(I_0) \right]^- < \frac{\varepsilon}{6}.$$

On the other hand,

$$\left| \text{BC } \int_A \psi - \sum_I \psi(I) \right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}.$$

Denote by Σ' a sum over all $I \in D$ with $I \neq I_0$ for any $I_0 \in D_0$ -- then

$$0 \leq \sum_{I_0} \left| \sum_{I \in I_0} \psi(I) - \psi(I_0) \right| + \Sigma' \psi(I)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{I_0} \left[\sum_{I \in I_0} \psi(I) - \psi(I_0) \right] \\
&\quad + 2 \sum_{I_0} \left[\sum_{I \in I_0} \psi(I) - \psi(I_0) \right]^+ \\
&\quad + \sum' \psi(I) \\
&= \left[\sum_I \psi(I) - \text{BC} \int_A \psi \right] \\
&\quad - \left[\sum_{I_0} \psi(I_0) - \text{BC} \int_A \psi \right] \\
&\quad + 2 \sum_{I_0} \left[\sum_{I \in I_0} \psi(I) - \psi(I_0) \right]^+ \\
&\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + 2 \frac{\varepsilon}{6} = \varepsilon.
\end{aligned}$$

The requirements for quasi additivity are thus met.

21: THEOREM Suppose that $\phi: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$ is quasi additive on S -- then $\|\phi\|: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ is quasi subadditive on S .

PROOF Fix $\varepsilon > 0$, take $S = A$, and in the notation above, introduce $\eta(\varepsilon)$, $D_0 = [I_0]$, $\lambda(\varepsilon, D_0)$, $D = [I]$ -- then the objective is to show that

$$\sum_{I_0} \left[\sum_{I \in I_0} \|\phi(I)\| - \|\phi(I_0)\| \right]^+ \leq \varepsilon.$$

To this end, let

$$\Phi(I_0) = \sum_{I \in I_0} \phi(I) - \phi(I_0).$$

Then

$$\|\phi(I_0) + \Phi(I_0)\| = \sum_{I \in I_0} \phi(I)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left[\sum_{m=1}^M \left(\sum_{I \in I_0} \phi_m(I) \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \\
&\leq \sum_{I \in I_0} \left[\sum_{m=1}^M \phi_m(I)^2 \right]^{1/2} \\
&= \sum_{I \in I_0} \|\phi(I)\|.
\end{aligned}$$

Meanwhile

$$\phi(I_0) = [\phi(I_0) + \Phi(I_0)] + [-\Phi(I_0)]$$

\Rightarrow

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{I \in I_0} \|\phi(I)\| - \|\phi(I_0)\| \\
&\geq \|\phi(I_0) + \Phi(I_0)\| - \|\phi(I_0)\| \\
&\geq -\|\Phi(I_0)\|
\end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow

$$\left[\sum_{I \in I_0} \|\phi(I)\| - \|\phi(I_0)\| \right]^+ \leq \|\Phi(I_0)\|$$

\Rightarrow

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{I_0} \left[\sum_{I \in I_0} \|\phi(I)\| - \|\phi(I_0)\| \right]^+ \leq \sum_{I_0} \|\Phi(I_0)\| \\
&= \sum_{I_0} \left\| \sum_{I \in I_0} \phi(I) - \phi(I_0) \right\| \\
&< \varepsilon,
\end{aligned}$$

ϕ being quasi additive.

22: APPLICATION If $\phi: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$ is quasi additive, then the interval functions

$$I \rightarrow |\phi_m(I)| \quad (m = 1, \dots, M)$$

are quasi subadditive.

[In fact, the quasi additivity of ϕ implies the quasi additivity of the ϕ_m and

$$||\phi_m|| = |\phi_m|.]$$

[Note: It is also true that ϕ_m^+, ϕ_m^- are quasi subadditive.]

23: LEMMA If $\phi: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$ is quasi additive on S and if

$$BC \int_S ||\phi|| < +\infty,$$

then ϕ is quasi additive on every subset $S' \subset S$.

PROOF First of all, $||\phi||$ is quasi subadditive on S , hence also on S' .

Therefore

$$BC \int_{S'} ||\phi||$$

exists and

$$BC \int_{S'} ||\phi|| \leq BC \int_S ||\phi|| < +\infty,$$

from which it follows that $||\phi||$ is quasi additive on S' . Given $\varepsilon > 0$, determine the parameters in the definition of quasi additive in such a way that the relevant relations are simultaneously satisfied per ϕ on S and per $||\phi||$ on S' , hence

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{I_0} s(I_0, S') || \sum_I s(I, I_0) \phi(I) - \phi(I_0) || \\ \leq \sum_{I_0} s(I_0, S) || \sum_I s(I, I_0) \phi(I) - \phi(I_0) || < \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\sum_I s(I, S') [1 - \sum_{I_0} s(I, I_0) s(I_0, S')] ||\phi(I)|| < \varepsilon.$$

Therefore ϕ is quasi additive on S' .

24: APPLICATION If $\phi: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$ is quasi additive and if

$$\text{BC } \int_A ||\phi|| < + \infty,$$

then ϕ is quasi additive on every subset of A .

Here is a summary of certain fundamental points of this §. Work with ϕ and $||\phi||$.

- Suppose that $||\phi||$ is quasi subadditive on S and

$$\text{BC } \int_S ||\phi|| < + \infty.$$

Then $||\phi||$ is quasi additive on S .

- Suppose that ϕ is quasi additive on S -- then $||\phi||$ is quasi subadditive on S .

So: If ϕ is quasi additive on S AND if

$$\text{BC } \int_S ||\phi|| < + \infty,$$

then $||\phi||$ is quasi additive on S .

[Note: It is not true in general that $||\phi||$ quasi additive implies ϕ quasi additive.]

25: EXAMPLE Take $A = [a,b]$ and let I , \mathcal{D} , and δ be as at the beginning.

Given a continuous curve

$$C \longleftrightarrow \underline{f}: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M,$$

define a quasi additive interval function $\phi: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$ by the rule

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(I) &= (\phi_1(I), \dots, \phi_M(I)) \\ &= (f_1(d) - f_1(c), \dots, f_M(d) - f_M(c)), \end{aligned}$$

where $I = [c,d] \subset [a,b]$, thus

$$||\phi(I)|| = ||\underline{f}(d) - \underline{f}(c)||,$$

so if $P \in \mathcal{P}[a,b]$ corresponds to

$$D \longleftrightarrow \{[x_{i-1}, x_i] : i = 1, \dots, n\},$$

then

$$\sum_{I \in D} ||\phi(I)|| = \sum_{i=1}^n ||\underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})||$$

\Rightarrow

$$\begin{aligned} \text{BC } \int_A ||\phi|| &= \lim_{\delta(D) \rightarrow 0} \sum_{I \in D} ||\phi(I)|| \\ &= \lim_{||P|| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^n ||\underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})|| \\ &= \ell(C). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore C is rectifiable iff

$$\text{BC } \int_A ||\phi|| < +\infty.$$

And when this is the case, $||\phi||$ is quasi additive on A .

[Note: A priori,

$$\ell(C) = \sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}[a,b]} \sum_{i=1}^n ||\underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})||.$$

But here, thanks to the continuity of \underline{f} , the sup can be replaced by lim.]

26: EXAMPLE Take $A = [a,b]$ and let I and \mathcal{D} be as above. Suppose that

$$C \longleftrightarrow \underline{f}: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$$

is a rectifiable curve, potentially discontinuous.

- Given $a \leq x_0 < b$, put

$$s^+(x_0) = \limsup_{x \downarrow x_0} ||\underline{f}(x) - \underline{f}(x_0)||$$

and let $s^+(b) = 0$.

- Given $a < x_0 \leq b$, put

$$s^-(x_0) = \limsup_{x \uparrow x_0} | \underline{f}(x) - \underline{f}(x_0) |$$

and let $s^-(a) = 0$. Combine the data and set

$$s(x) = s^+(x) + s^-(x) \quad (a \leq x \leq b).$$

Then $s(x)$ is zero everywhere save for at most countably many x and

$$\sigma = \sum_x s(x) \leq \ell(C).$$

Take ϕ as above and define a mesh δ by the rule

$$\delta(D) = ||P|| + \sigma - \sum_{i=0}^n s(x_i).$$

One can then show that ϕ is quasi additive and

$$\text{BC } \int_A ||\phi|| = \ell(C).$$

27: NOTATION Given a quasi additive interval function ϕ , let

$$V[\phi, S] = \sup_{D \in \mathcal{D}} \Sigma[||\phi||, S, D].$$

28: N.B. By definition,

$$\text{BC } \int_S ||\phi|| = \lim_{\delta(D) \rightarrow 0} \Sigma[||\phi||, S, D],$$

so

$$\text{BC } \int_S ||\phi|| \leq V[\phi, S]$$

and strict inequality may hold.

29: LEMMA Given a quasi additive ϕ and a subset $S \subset A$, suppose that for every $\varepsilon > 0$ and any $D_0 = [I_0]$ there exists $\lambda(\varepsilon, S, D_0) > 0$ such that for every system $D = [I]$ with $\delta(D) < \lambda(\varepsilon, S, D_0)$ the relation

$$\sum_{I_0} s(I_0, S) \left[\sum_I s(I, I_0) \left| \|\phi(I)\| - \|\phi(I_0)\| \right| \right] < \varepsilon$$

obtains — then

$$\text{BC } \int_S \|\phi\| = V[\phi, S].$$

§10. LINE INTEGRALS (bis)

Through out this §, the situation will be absolute, where $A = [a, b]$ and I , \mathcal{D} , and δ have their usual connotations.

If

$$C \longleftrightarrow \underline{f}: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$$

is a curve, continuous and rectifiable, then

$$\int_A |\phi| = \ell(C).$$

And if F is a parametric integrand, then

$$\int_C F = \lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^n F(\underline{f}(\xi_i), \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1}))$$

exists, the result being independent of the ξ_i .

1: N.B. Recall the procedure: Introduce the integral

$$I(C) = \int_a^b F(\underline{f}(x), \underline{\theta}(x)) d\mu_C$$

and prove that

$$\lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^n F(\underline{f}(\xi_i), \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1}))$$

exists and equals $I(C)$, the result being denoted by the symbol.

$$\int_C F$$

and called the line integral of F along C .

There is another approach to all this which does not use measure theory.

Thus define an interval function $\Phi: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by the prescription

$$\Phi(I; \xi) = F(\underline{f}(\xi), \phi(I)),$$

where $\xi \in I$ is arbitrary.

[Note: By definition,

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(I) &= (\phi_1(I), \dots, \phi_M(I)) \\ &= (f_1(d) - f_1(c), \dots, f_M(d) - f_M(c)),\end{aligned}$$

I being $[c, d] \subset [a, b]$. Moreover, ϕ is quasi additive.]

2: THEOREM ϕ is quasi additive.

Admit the contention -- then

$$\begin{aligned}& \lim_{\delta(D) \rightarrow 0} \sum_{I \in D} \phi(I; \xi) \\ &= \lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^n F(\underline{f}(\xi_i), \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1}))\end{aligned}$$

exists, call it

$$(\xi) \int_C F.$$

3: N.B. Needless to say, it turns out that

$$(\xi) \int_C F$$

is independent of the ξ (this follows by a standard " $\epsilon/3$ " argument) (details at the end).

[Note: This is one advantage of the approach via $I(C)$ in that independence is manifest.]

To simplify matters, it will be best to generalize matters.

Assume from the outset that $\phi: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$ is now an arbitrary interval function which is quasi additive with

$$(BC) \int_A \|\phi\| < +\infty,$$

3.

hence that $||\phi||$ is also quasi additive as well.

Introduce another interval function $\zeta: I \rightarrow R^N$ and expand the definition of parametric integrand so that

$$F: X \times R^M \rightarrow R,$$

where $X \subset R^N$ is compact and $\zeta(I) \subset X$.

4: EXAMPLE To recover the earlier setup, take $N = M$, keep $\phi: I \rightarrow R^M$, let $\omega: I \rightarrow [a,b]$ be a choice function, i.e., suppose that $\omega(I) \in I \subset [a,b]$, let $\zeta(I) = \underline{f}(\omega(I))$, and take $X = [C] \subset R^M$.

5: CONDITION (ζ) $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists t(\varepsilon) > 0$ such that if $D_0 = [I_0]$ is any system subject to $\delta(D_0) < t(\varepsilon)$ there also exists $T(\varepsilon, D_0)$ such that for any system $D = [I]$ with $\delta(D) < T(\varepsilon, D_0)$, the relation

$$\max_{I_0} \max_{I \subset I_0} ||\zeta(I) - \zeta(I_0)|| < \varepsilon$$

obtains.

6: N.B. Owing to the uniform continuity of \underline{f} , this condition is automatic in the special case supra.

7: THEOREM Let F be a parametric integrand, form the interval function $\Phi: I \rightarrow R$ defined by the prescription

$$\Phi(I) = F(\zeta(I), \phi(I)),$$

and impose condition (ζ) -- then Φ is quasi additive.

The proof will emerge from the discussion below but there are some preliminaries that have to be dealt with first.

Start by writing down simultaneously (qa₁-A) and (qa₂-A) for ϕ and $||\phi||$ (both are quasi additive), $\bar{\varepsilon}$ to be determined.

$$\sum_{I_0} \left| \left| \sum_{I \subset I_0} \phi(I) - \phi(I_0) \right| \right| < \bar{\varepsilon}$$

$$\sum_{I \notin I_0} \left| \left| \phi(I) \right| \right| < \bar{\varepsilon}$$

$$\sum_{I_0} \left| \sum_{I \subset I_0} \left| \left| \phi(I) \right| \right| - \left| \left| \phi(I_0) \right| \right| \right| < \bar{\varepsilon}$$

$$\sum_{I \notin I_0} \left| \left| \left| \phi(I) \right| \right| \right| < \bar{\varepsilon}$$

for $\delta(D_0) < \eta(\bar{\varepsilon})$ and $\delta(D) < \lambda(\bar{\varepsilon}, D_0)$ and in addition

$$\left| \sum_{I \in D} \left| \left| \phi(I) \right| \right| - BC \int_A \left| \left| \phi \right| \right| \right| < \bar{\varepsilon}$$

for $\delta(D) < \sigma(\bar{\varepsilon})$.

Fix $\varepsilon > 0$. Put

$$V = BC \int_A \left| \left| \phi \right| \right| \quad (< +\infty).$$

- (F) $X \times U(M)$ is a compact set on which F is bounded:

$$|F(\underline{x}, \underline{t})| \leq C \quad (\underline{x} \in X, \underline{t} \in U(M))$$

and uniformly continuous: $\exists \gamma$ such that

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \left| \underline{x} - \underline{x}' \right| \\ \left| \underline{t} - \underline{t}' \right| \end{array} \right] < \gamma \Rightarrow |F(\underline{x}, \underline{t}) - F(\underline{x}', \underline{t}')| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3(V+\varepsilon)}.$$

- (α)

$$\alpha(I_0) = \frac{\phi(I_0)}{|\phi(I_0)|} \text{ if } \phi(I_0) \neq 0$$

but 0 otherwise and

$$\alpha(I) = \frac{\phi(I)}{|\phi(I)|} \text{ if } \phi(I) \neq 0$$

but 0 otherwise.

8: NOTATION Denote by

$$\Sigma_{\gamma^+}^{(I_0)}$$

the sum over the $I \subset I_0$ for which

$$||\alpha(I_0) - \alpha(I)|| \geq \gamma$$

and denote by

$$\Sigma_{\gamma^-}^{(I_0)}$$

the sum over the $I \subset I_0$ for which

$$||\alpha(I_0) - \alpha(I)|| < \gamma.$$

Therefore

$$\Sigma_{I \subset I_0} = \Sigma_{\gamma^+}^{(I_0)} + \Sigma_{\gamma^-}^{(I_0)}.$$

9: LEMMA

$$\frac{\gamma^2}{2} \Sigma_{I_0} \Sigma_{\gamma^+}^{(I_0)} ||\phi(I)||$$

$$\leq \sum_{I_0} \left| \left| \sum_{I \in I_0} \phi(I) - \phi(I_0) \right| \right|$$

$$+ \sum_{I_0} \left| \left| \sum_{I \in I_0} \|\phi(I)\| - \|\phi(I_0)\| \right| \right|.$$

PROOF The inequality

$$\left| \alpha(I_0) - \alpha(I) \right| \geq \gamma$$

implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma^2 &\leq \left| \alpha(I_0) - \alpha(I) \right|^2 \\ &= (\alpha(I_0) - \alpha(I)) \cdot (\alpha(I_0) - \alpha(I)) \\ &= \left| \alpha(I_0) \right|^2 - 2\alpha(I_0) \cdot \alpha(I) + \left| \alpha(I) \right|^2 \\ &= 2 - 2\alpha(I_0) \cdot \alpha(I), \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\frac{\gamma^2}{2} \leq 1 - \alpha(I_0) \cdot \alpha(I)$$

=>

$$\frac{\gamma^2}{2} \|\phi(I)\| \leq \|\phi(I)\| - \alpha(I_0) \cdot \phi(I).$$

But for any I ,

$$0 \leq \|\phi(I)\| - \alpha(I_0) \cdot \phi(I).$$

Proof: In fact,

$$\begin{aligned} &\|\phi(I)\| - \frac{\phi(I_0) \cdot \phi(I)}{\|\phi(I_0)\|} \\ &= \frac{1}{\|\phi(I_0)\|} [\|\phi(I)\| \|\phi(I_0)\| - \phi(I_0) \cdot \phi(I)]. \end{aligned}$$

Now quote Schwarz's inequality. Thus we may write

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{\gamma^2}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{I} \in \mathbf{I}_0} \|\phi(\mathbf{I})\|^2 \\
 & \leq \sum_{\mathbf{I} \in \mathbf{I}_0} \left(\|\phi(\mathbf{I}) - \alpha(\mathbf{I}_0) \cdot \phi(\mathbf{I}_0)\|^2 \right) \\
 & \leq \sum_{\mathbf{I} \in \mathbf{I}_0} \left(\|\phi(\mathbf{I}) - \alpha(\mathbf{I}_0) \cdot \phi(\mathbf{I}_0)\|^2 \right) \\
 & = \sum_{\mathbf{I} \in \mathbf{I}_0} \left(\|\phi(\mathbf{I})\|^2 - \|\phi(\mathbf{I}_0)\|^2 + \alpha(\mathbf{I}_0) \cdot (\phi(\mathbf{I}_0) - \sum_{\mathbf{I} \in \mathbf{I}_0} \phi(\mathbf{I})) \right) \\
 & \leq \left| \sum_{\mathbf{I} \in \mathbf{I}_0} \|\phi(\mathbf{I})\|^2 - \|\phi(\mathbf{I}_0)\|^2 \right| \\
 & \quad + \left\| \phi(\mathbf{I}_0) - \sum_{\mathbf{I} \in \mathbf{I}_0} \phi(\mathbf{I}) \right\| \quad (\text{Schwarz}).
 \end{aligned}$$

To finish, sum over \mathbf{I}_0 .

- (D_0) Assume

$$\delta(D_0) < \min\{\tau(\gamma), \eta(\varepsilon), \eta(\varepsilon\gamma^2)\}.$$

- (D) Assume

$$\delta(D) < \min\{\sigma(\varepsilon), \lambda(\varepsilon, D_0), \lambda(\varepsilon\gamma^2, D_0), \mathbb{T}(\gamma, D_0)\}.$$

- $(\bar{\varepsilon})$ Assume

$$\bar{\varepsilon} < \min\left\{\gamma, \frac{\varepsilon}{3C}, \frac{\varepsilon\gamma^2}{24C}\right\}.$$

Then

$$\sum_{\mathbf{I}_0} \left| \sum_{\mathbf{I} \in \mathbf{I}_0} \phi(\mathbf{I}) - \phi(\mathbf{I}_0) \right|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{I_0} \left| \sum_{I \subset I_0} F(\zeta(I), \phi(I)) \right. \\
&\quad - \sum_{I \subset I_0} F(\zeta(I_0), \alpha(I_0)) \|\phi(I)\| \\
&\quad + \sum_{I \subset I_0} F(\zeta(I_0), \alpha(I_0)) \|\phi(I)\| \\
&\quad \left. - F(\zeta(I_0), \alpha(I_0)) \|\phi(I_0)\| \right| \\
&= \sum_{I_0} \left| \sum_{I \subset I_0} (F(\zeta(I), \alpha(I)) - F(\zeta(I_0), \alpha(I_0))) \|\phi(I)\| \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{I \subset I_0} F(\zeta(I_0), \alpha(I_0)) (\|\phi(I)\| - \|\phi(I_0)\|) \right| \\
&\leq \sum_{I_0} |F(\zeta(I_0), \alpha(I_0))| \left| \sum_{I \subset I_0} \|\phi(I)\| - \|\phi(I_0)\| \right| \\
&\quad + \sum_{I_0} \sum_{I \subset I_0} |F(\zeta(I), \alpha(I)) - F(\zeta(I_0), \alpha(I_0))| \|\phi(I)\| \\
&= \sum_{I_0} |F(\zeta(I_0), \alpha(I_0))| \left| \sum_{I \subset I_0} \|\phi(I)\| - \|\phi(I_0)\| \right| \\
&\quad + \sum_{I_0} \left(\sum_{\gamma^-}^{(I_0)} + \sum_{\gamma^+}^{(I_0)} \right) |F(\zeta(I_0), \alpha(I_0)) - F(\zeta(I), \alpha(I))| \|\phi(I)\|.
\end{aligned}$$

First:

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{I_0} |F(\zeta(I_0), \alpha(I_0))| \left| \sum_{I \subset I_0} \|\phi(I)\| - \|\phi(I_0)\| \right| \\
&\leq C \sum_{I_0} \left| \sum_{I \subset I_0} \|\phi(I)\| - \|\phi(I_0)\| \right|
\end{aligned}$$

$$< C\bar{\varepsilon} < C \frac{\varepsilon}{3C} = \frac{\varepsilon}{3}.$$

Second: Consider

$$\sum_{I_0} \sum_{\gamma^-}^{(I_0)} |F(\zeta(I_0), \alpha(I_0)) - F(\zeta(I), \alpha(I))| \|\phi(I)\|.$$

Here

$$\|\alpha(I_0)\| = 1, \|\alpha(I)\| = 1, \|\alpha(I_0) - \alpha(I)\| < \gamma,$$

$$\|\zeta(I_0) - \zeta(I)\| < \gamma$$

=>

$$|F(\zeta(I_0), \alpha(I_0)) - F(\zeta(I), \alpha(I))| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3(V+\varepsilon)}.$$

The entity in question is thus majorized by

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\varepsilon}{3(V+\varepsilon)} \sum_{I_0} \sum_{\gamma^-}^{(I_0)} \|\phi(I)\| &\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{3(V+\varepsilon)} \sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} \|\phi(I)\| \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{3(V+\varepsilon)} (V + \varepsilon) = \frac{\varepsilon}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

Third:

$$\sum_{I_0} \sum_{\gamma^+}^{(I_0)} |F(\zeta(I_0), \alpha(I_0)) - F(\zeta(I), \alpha(I))| \|\phi(I)\|$$

$$\leq 2C \sum_{I_0} \sum_{\gamma^+}^{(I_0)} \|\phi(I)\|$$

$$\leq \frac{4C}{\gamma^2} \left[\sum_{I_0} \sum_{I \in I_0} \|\phi(I) - \phi(I_0)\| \right]$$

$$+ \sum_{I_0} \left| \sum_{I \in I_0} \|\phi(I)\| - \|\phi(I_0)\| \right|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \frac{4C}{\gamma^2} (\bar{\varepsilon} + \bar{\varepsilon}) \\
&= \frac{8C}{\gamma^2} \bar{\varepsilon} \\
&< \frac{8C}{\gamma^2} \cdot \frac{\varepsilon \gamma^2}{24C} = \frac{\varepsilon}{3}.
\end{aligned}$$

In total then:

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{I_0} \left| \sum_{I \subset I_0} \phi(I) - \phi(I_0) \right| &< \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} \\
&= \varepsilon.
\end{aligned}$$

And finally

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{I \neq I_0} |\phi(I)| \\
&= \sum_{I \neq I_0} |F(\zeta(I), \phi(I))| \\
&= \sum_{I \neq I_0} |F(\zeta(I), \alpha(I))| \|\phi(I)\| \\
&\leq C \sum_{I \neq I_0} \|\phi(I)\| \\
&< C \bar{\varepsilon} < C \frac{\varepsilon}{3C} = \frac{\varepsilon}{3} < \varepsilon.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore ϕ is quasi additive. And since the conditions on F carry over to $|F|$, it follows that $\|\phi\|$ is also quasi additive, hence

$$BC \int_A \|\phi\|$$

exists and is finite.

To tie up one loose end, return to the beginning and consider the line integrals

$$(\xi) \int_C F, (\xi') \int_C F,$$

the claim being that they are equal. That this is so can be seen by writing

$$\begin{aligned}
 & |(\xi) \int_C F - (\xi') \int_C F| \\
 &= |(\xi) \int_C F - \sum_{i=1}^n F(\underline{f}(\xi_i), \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})) \\
 &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^n F(\underline{f}(\xi_i), \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})) \\
 &\quad - \sum_{i=1}^n F(\underline{f}(\xi'_i), \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})) \\
 &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^n F(\underline{f}(\xi'_i), \underline{f}(x_i) - \underline{f}(x_{i-1})) - (\xi') \int_C F|
 \end{aligned}$$

and proceed from here in the obvious way.

10: EXAMPLE Take $N = 1$, $M = 1$ and define an interval function $[\cdot, \cdot]: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by sending I to its length $|I|$. Fix a choice function $\omega: I \rightarrow [a, b]$. Consider a curve

$$C \longleftrightarrow f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}.$$

Assume: f is continuous and of bounded variation, thus

$$\ell(C) = T_f[a, b] < +\infty.$$

Work with the parametric integrand $F(x, t) = xt$ -- then the data

$$\begin{aligned}
 I &\rightarrow F(\zeta(I), |I|) \\
 &= F(f(\omega(I)), |I|) \\
 &= f(\omega(I)) |I|
 \end{aligned}$$

leads to sums of the form

$$\sum_{i=1}^n f(\xi_i) (x_i - x_{i-1}),$$

hence to

$$\int_C F = \int_a^b f,$$

the Riemann integral of f .