

# Comparison between different types of abstract integrals in Riesz spaces

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## Abstract

A comparison among different types of integral in Riesz spaces is given.

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## 1 Introduction.

In a previous paper (see [4]), we introduced a "monotone-type" integral for extended-real valued maps, with respect to Riesz-space-valued finitely additive function (see also [9], [12]). More precisely, given a mean  $\mu : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow R$  and a measurable function  $f : X \rightarrow \widetilde{\mathbb{R}}_0^+$ , we say that  $f$  is integrable in the monotone sense, or  $(M)$ -integrable, if there exists in  $R$  the

$$(o) - \lim_{a \rightarrow +\infty} \int_0^a u(t) dt,$$

where  $u(t) \equiv \mu(\{x \in X : f(x) > t\}) dt$ ,  $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , and the integral is intended as a Riemann-type integral.

In this paper, firstly we show that the Riemann integral is equivalent to the Mengoli-Cauchy integral, and after we compare the monotone integral with other types of integrals.

In particular, we introduce a Dunford-Schwartz-type integral (see also [11]), similar to the one introduced in [3], but with some differences, and we prove that it coincides with the monotone integral, by virtue of the Vitali-type theorem for the  $(M)$ -integral given in [4].

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Furthermore, some comparisons with pointwise-type integral and Chojnacki-integral are investigated.

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## 2 Preliminaries.

**Definition 2.1** Let  $X$  be any set,  $R$  a Dedekind complete Riesz space,  $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$  an algebra. A map  $\mu : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow R$  is said to be a *mean* if  $\mu(A) \geq 0$ ,  $\forall A \in \mathcal{A}$ , and  $\mu(A \cup B) = \mu(A) + \mu(B)$ , whenever  $A \cap B = \emptyset$ . A mean  $\mu$  is *countably additive* (or  *$\sigma$ -additive*) if  $\mu(\cap_n A_n) = \inf_n \mu(A_n)$ , whenever  $(A_n)_n$  is a decreasing sequence in  $\mathcal{A}$ , such that  $\cap_n A_n \in \mathcal{A}$ .

**Definition 2.2** A net  $\{x_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$  is said to be *(o)-convergent* (or simply *convergent*) if there exist in  $R$  the quantities

$$(o) - \limsup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} x_\alpha \equiv \inf_{\alpha} \sup_{\lambda \geq \alpha} x_\lambda$$

and

$$(o) - \liminf_{\alpha \in \Lambda} x_\alpha \equiv \sup_{\alpha} \inf_{\lambda \geq \alpha} x_\lambda,$$

and they coincide;

*convergent to  $x$*  if  $x = (o) - \limsup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} x_\alpha = (o) - \liminf_{\alpha \in \Lambda} x_\alpha$ ; in this case, we write  $(o) - \lim_{\alpha \in \Lambda} x_\alpha = x$ , and say that  $x$  is the *(o)-limit* of  $\{x_\alpha\}$ .

**Definition 2.3** A net  $\{x_\alpha\}_\alpha$  is said to be *(o)-Cauchy* (or simply *Cauchy*) if

$$\limsup_{\alpha, \beta} |x_\alpha - x_\beta| = 0.$$

**Definition 2.4** A Riesz space  $R$  is called  *$[\sigma]$ -Dedekind complete* if every [countable] subset of  $R$ , bounded from above, has supremum in  $R$ .

The following result justifies the above definition:

**Proposition 2.5** *Let  $R$  be a Dedekind complete Riesz space. Then, a net in  $R$  is convergent if and only if it is Cauchy* (see also [15]).

## 3 An equivalent definition of Riemann-integral for Riesz-space-valued functions.

In [4] we defined the integral  $\int_0^a u(t) dt$  as a Riemann - type integral. This integral can be defined also as a "Mengoli-Cauchy" type integral. We will show that the "Riemann"-integral and the "Mengoli-Cauchy"-integral coincide.

**Definition 3.1** Given an interval  $[a, b] \subset \mathbb{R}$ , we call *division of  $[a, b]$*  a finite set  $\{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\} \subset [a, b]$ , where  $x_0 = a$ ,  $x_n = b$ , and  $x_i < x_{i+1}$ ,  $\forall i = 0, \dots, n$ . We call *mesh of  $D$*  the quantity  $(\delta(D)) \equiv \max_i (x_{i+1} - x_i)$ . We say that  $D_1 \geq D_2$  if  $\delta(D_1) \leq \delta(D_2)$ .

We now recall the definition of "Riemann-integral" given in [4].

**Definition 3.2** Let  $R$  be a Dedekind complete Riesz space, and  $u : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  a bounded map. We call *upper integral* [resp. *lower integral*] of  $u$  the element of  $R$  given by

$$\inf_{v \in V_u} \int_a^b v(t) dt \quad [\sup_{s \in S_u} \int_a^b s(t) dt],$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} V_u &\equiv \{v : v \text{ is a step function, } v(t) \geq u(t), \forall t \in [a, b]\} \\ S_u &\equiv \{s : s \text{ is a step function, } s(t) \leq u(t), \forall t \in [a, b]\}. \end{aligned}$$

We say that a bounded function  $u : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  is *Riemann-integrable* (or *(R)-integrable*), if its lower integral coincides with its upper integral, and, in this case, we call *integral of  $u$*  (and write  $\int_a^b u(t) dt$ ) the common value of them. We also indicate it by

$$(R) - \int_a^b u(t) dt.$$

**Definition 3.3** Let  $[a, b] \subset \mathbb{R}$ ,  $R$  be as above, and  $u : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  be a map. We say that  $u$  is *Mengoli-Cauchy integrable* (*(MC)-integrable*) if there exists an element  $I \in R$  and a sequence  $(p_n)_n$ ,  $p_n \downarrow 0$ , such that,

$$\sup_{\delta(D) \leq \frac{1}{n}} \left| \sum_{i=1}^k u(z_i)(x_i - x_{i-1}) - I \right| \leq p_n, \quad \forall z_i \in [x_{i-1}, x_i] \quad (i = 1, \dots, k),$$

and we write  $(MC) - \int_a^b u(t) dt \equiv I$ .

The following result holds:

**Theorem 3.4** *With the same notations as above, let  $u : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  be Mengoli-Cauchy integrable. Then  $u$  is bounded.*

The proof is straightforward.

**Theorem 3.5** *Let  $u : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  be Mengoli-Cauchy integrable. Then,  $u$  is Riemann integrable, and*

$$(R) - \int_a^b u(t) dt = (MC) - \int_a^b u(t) dt.$$

**Proof.** Let  $I, p_n \downarrow 0$  as in Definition 3.3. Let  $D \equiv \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_k\}$  be such that  $\delta(D) < \frac{1}{n}$ . We consider the following two functions associated with  $D$  :

$$s_0(x) = \begin{cases} \inf_{t \in ]x_{i-1}, x_i[} u(t), & x \in ]x_{i-1}, x_i[, \quad i = 1, \dots, k \\ u(x_i), & x = x_i, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, k; \end{cases}$$

$$v_0(x) = \begin{cases} \sup_{t \in ]x_{i-1}, x_i[} u(t), & x \in ]x_{i-1}, x_i[, \quad i = 1, \dots, k \\ u(x_i), & x = x_i, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, k; \end{cases}$$

By hypothesis, we have:

$$I - p_n \leq \sum_{i=1}^k u(z_i) (x_i - x_{i-1}) \leq I + p_n.$$

Then, keeping fixed  $z_i$  for  $i \geq 2$ , and taking the suprema as  $z_1$  varies, we get

$$I - p_n \leq \sum_{i \geq 2} u(z_i) (x_i - x_{i-1}) + v_0\left(\frac{x_1 + x_0}{2}\right) (x_1 - x_0) \leq I + p_n.$$

Now, we repeat the same procedure, keeping fixed  $z_i$  for  $i \geq 3$ , and so on, until we obtain

$$I - p_n \leq \int_a^b v_0(t) dt \leq I + p_n.$$

Similarly we can get

$$I - p_n \leq \int_a^b s_0(t) dt \leq I + p_n$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b v_0(t) dt - I &\leq p_n, \\ I - \int_a^b s_0(t) dt &\leq p_n, \end{aligned}$$

from which we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_a^b u(t) dt - I \right| &\leq p_n, \\ \left| \int_a^b u(t) dt - I \right| &\leq p_n, \\ \int_a^b u(t) dt - \int_a^b u(t) dt &\leq 2 p_n. \end{aligned}$$

By arbitrariness of  $D$ , we find that

$$* \int_a^b u(t) dt =_* \int_a^b u(t) dt = I \square.$$

**Theorem 3.6** *Let  $u : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  be Riemann-integrable. Then,  $u$  is Mengoli-Cauchy integrable, and*

$$(MC) - \int_a^b u(t) dt = (R) - \int_a^b u(t) dt.$$

**Proof:** Fix arbitrarily  $s \in S_u$  and  $v \in V_{u-s}$ . Choose a division  $D^* \equiv \{c_0, c_1, \dots, c_{N-1}\}$ , such that both  $s$  and  $v$  are constant in  $]c_{j-1}, c_j[$ ,  $\forall j$ , and put  $M \equiv \sup_{x \in [a, b]} u(x)$ . Fix  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and consider a division  $D \equiv \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_k\}$ , such that  $\delta(D) \leq \frac{1}{n}$ . Let  $z_i$  be in  $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$ . Now define the step function  $\theta : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  by setting

$$\theta(x) = \begin{cases} u(z_i), & \text{if } x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i[, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, k \\ u(b), & \text{if } x = b. \end{cases}$$

If  $x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i] \subset ]c_{j-1}, c_j[$  for some suitable  $j$ , then we have:

$$\begin{aligned} |u(x) - \theta(x)| &= |u(x) - u(z_i)| \leq [u(x) - s(x)] + |s(x) - u(z_i)| \leq \\ &\leq v(x) + \sup_{x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]} [u(x) - s(x)] \leq 2 v(x). \end{aligned}$$

If  $x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i] \not\subset ]c_{j-1}, c_j[ \forall j$ , then

$$|u(x) - \theta(x)| \leq |u(x)| + |\theta(x)| \leq 2 M.$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} & |(R) - \int_a^b u(x) dx - \sum_{i=1}^n u(z_i)(x_i - x_{i-1})| = |(R) - \int_a^b u(x) dx - \int_a^b \theta(x) dx| \leq \\ & \leq \int_a^b |u(x) - \theta(x)| dx \leq 2 \int_a^b v(x) dx + 2 N \frac{1}{n} M. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \sup_{\delta(D) \leq \frac{1}{n}} |(R) - \int_a^b u(x) dx - \sum_{i=1}^n u(z_i)(x_i - x_{i-1})| \leq \\ &\leq 2 \int_a^b v(x) dx + 2 N \frac{1}{n} M. \end{aligned}$$

By arbitrariness of  $v$  and  $(R)$ -integrability of  $u - s$ , we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &\leq (o) - \limsup_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \sup_{\delta(D) \leq \frac{1}{n}} \left| (R) - \int_a^b u(x) dx - \sum_{i=1}^n u(z_i)(x_i - x_{i-1}) \right| \leq \\
&\leq 2 \inf_{v \in V_{u-s}} \int_a^b v(x) dx + (o) - \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} 2 N \frac{1}{n} M = \\
&= 2 \int_a^b [u(x) - s(x)] dx = 2 \int_a^b u(x) dx - 2 \int_a^b s(x) dx.
\end{aligned}$$

By arbitrariness of  $s$  and  $(R)$ -integrability of  $u$ , we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &\leq (o) - \limsup_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \sup_{\delta(D) \leq \frac{1}{n}} \left| (R) - \int_a^b u(x) dx - \sum_{i=1}^n u(z_i)(x_i - x_{i-1}) \right| \leq \\
&\leq 2 \int_a^b u(x) dx - 2 \sup_{s \in S_u} \int_a^b s(x) dx = 0.
\end{aligned}$$

So,

$$(o) - \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \sup_{\delta(D) \leq \frac{1}{n}} \left| (R) - \int_a^b u(x) dx - \sum_{i=1}^n u(z_i)(x_i - x_{i-1}) \right| = 0$$

uniformly with respect to the  $z_i$ .  $\square$

## 4 Bochner-type integrals of real-valued function.

With the same notations as in the previous section, if  $R_1 = \mathbb{R}$ , and  $R \equiv R_2 = R_3$  is a Dedekind complete Riesz space, we can formulate the definition of convergence in measure and develop our theory in a way, which is somewhat different from the one in [3].

In [3], definitions of convergence in measure, integral, and so on were introduced; here, we give other definitions of "convergence in measure", "integral", etc. and compare them with the former.

**Definition 4.1** Let  $X$  be any set,  $\mu : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow R$  a positive finitely additive set function. We say that a sequence  $(f_n)_n$  of extended real-valued functions, defined on  $X$ ,  $(o)$ -converges in measure to  $f$  if

$$(o) - \lim_n \mu(\{x \in X : |f_n(x) - f(x)| > \varepsilon\}) = 0, \forall \varepsilon > 0;$$

$(B)$ -converges in measure to  $f$  if there exist two sequences  $(p_n)_n, (q_n)_n, R \ni p_n \downarrow 0, R \ni q_n \downarrow 0$ , such that

$$\mu(\{x \in X : |f_n(x) - f(x)| > q_n\}) \leq p_n, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

(see [3]).

**Definition 4.2** Let  $(f_n : X \rightarrow \widetilde{\mathbb{R}})_n$  be a sequence of simple functions. We say that  $(f_n)_n$  is *equiintegrable* if

$$\sup_n \int_X |f_n| d\mu \in R, \quad (1)$$

and

$$(o) - \lim_n \sup_{k \geq n} \left( \int_{A_n} |f_k| d\mu \right) = 0, \quad (2)$$

whenever  $(o) - \lim_k \mu(A_k) = 0$ .

Now, we compare  $(B)$ -convergence in measure with  $(o)$ -convergence in measure. We begin with the following:

**Definition 4.3** Let  $R$  be any Riesz space, and let  $u \in R$ ,  $u \geq 0$ . We say that  $u$  has the *Egoroff property* if, for each double sequence  $(u_{n,k})_{n,k}$  in  $R$ , satisfying  $u \geq u_{n,k} \downarrow 0$  ( $k \rightarrow +\infty$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ ), there exists a sequence  $(v_n)_n$  in  $R$ ,  $v_n \downarrow 0$ , with the property that, for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exists  $k = k_n \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that  $u_{n,k_n} \leq v_n$ .

We say that a Riesz space  $R$  has the *Egoroff property* (or is *Egoroff*) if every positive element of  $R$  has the Egoroff property.

We note that, if  $\Sigma$  is any finite or countable set, then  $\mathbb{R}^\Sigma$  is Egoroff, but, if the cardinality of  $\Sigma$  is greater or equal to  $c$ , then  $\mathbb{R}^\Sigma$  is not Egoroff. Moreover, if  $R = L^p(\lambda)$ , where  $0 \leq p \leq \infty$ , and  $\lambda$  is a countably additive  $\sigma$ -finite real-valued measure, then  $R$  is Egoroff. Furthermore, every solid subspace of an Egoroff space  $R$  is Egoroff too (see also [14]). The following result gives the comparison announced:

**Theorem 4.4** Let  $\mu : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow R$  be a positive finitely additive set function. If  $(f_n : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R})_n$   $(B)$ -converges in measure to  $f \in \mathbb{R}^X$ , then  $(f_n)_n$   $(o)$ -converges in measure to  $f$ .

Moreover, if  $\mu(X)$  has the Egoroff property, and  $(f_n)_n$   $(o)$ -converges in measure to  $f$ , then  $(f_n)_n$   $(B)$ -converges in measure to  $f$ .

**Proof:** We begin with proving the first part of the assertion. Fix  $\varepsilon > 0$ , and let  $(p_n)_n$  and  $(q_n)_n$  satisfy the definition of  $(o)$ -convergence in measure. Then, there exists a natural number  $\bar{n}(\varepsilon)$  such that  $q_n < \varepsilon$ ,  $\forall n \geq \bar{n}$ , and so

$$\mu(\{x \in X : |f_n(x) - f(x)| > \varepsilon\}) \leq \mu(\{x \in X : |f_n(x) - f(x)| > q_n\}).$$

$$\text{Define } r_n = r_n(\varepsilon) \equiv \begin{cases} \mu(X) & \text{if } n < \bar{n}(\varepsilon) \\ p_n \wedge \mu(X), & \text{if } n \geq \bar{n}(\varepsilon). \end{cases}$$

Thus, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have:

$$\mu(\{x \in X : |f_n(x) - f(x)| > \varepsilon\}) \leq r_n \downarrow 0.$$

Now, we prove the second part. By hypothesis, there exists a double sequence  $(r_{n,k})_{n,k}$ ,  $R \ni r_{n,k} \downarrow 0$  ( $k \rightarrow +\infty$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ ) such that

$$\mu(\{x \in X : |f_k(x) - f(x)| > \frac{1}{n}\}) \leq r_{n,k}, \quad \forall n, k \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Put  $u_{n,k} \equiv r_{n,k} \wedge \mu(X)$ ,  $\forall n, k$ . Of course,  $u_{n,k} \leq \mu(X)$  for every  $n, k$ , and  $u_{n,k} \downarrow 0$  ( $k \rightarrow +\infty$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ ). As  $\mu(X)$  has the Egoroff property, then there exists a sequence  $(v_n)_n$ ,  $v_n \downarrow 0$ , such that,  $\forall n$ ,  $\exists k = k(n) \in \mathbb{N} : u_{n,k(n)} \leq v_n$ .

$$\text{For } k \in \mathbb{N}, \text{ set } p_k \equiv \begin{cases} \mu(X) \vee v_1, & \text{if } 1 \leq k \leq k_1 \\ v_n, & \text{if } k_n \leq k \leq k_{n+1}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}. \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Moreover, put } q_k \equiv \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } 1 \leq k \leq k_1 \\ \frac{1}{n}, & \text{if } k_n \leq k \leq k_{n+1}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}. \end{cases}$$

It is easy to check that

$$\mu(\{x \in X : |f_k(x) - f(x)| > q_k\}) \leq p_k, \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N},$$

and  $p_k, q_k \downarrow 0$ . So, the theorem is completely proved.

**Definition 4.5** A sequence  $(f_n)_n$  of measurable functions is said to be *Cauchy in measure* if

$$(o) - \lim_n \mu(\{x \in X : |f_n(x) - f_{n+p}(x)| > \varepsilon\}) = 0$$

uniformly with respect to  $p \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ .

**Definition 4.6** A sequence  $(f_n)$  of simple functions *converges in  $L^1$*  to the simple function  $f$  if

$$(o) - \lim_n \int_X |f_n - f| d\mu = 0.$$



Convergence in  $L^1$  can be characterized as follows:

**Proposition 4.7** *Let  $f_n$  and  $f$  be as above. Then,  $(f_n)_n$  converges in  $L^1$  to  $f$  if and only if*

$$(o) - \lim_n \int_A f_n d\mu = \int_A f d\mu$$

*uniformly with respect to  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ .*

**Proof:** The "only if" part is easy.

We now turn to the "if" part. By hypothesis, there exists a sequence  $(p_n)_n$ ,  $R \ni p_n \downarrow 0$ , such that

$$\left| \int_A f_n d\mu - \int_A f d\mu \right| \leq p_n, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{A}.$$

For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $A_n \equiv \{x \in X : f_n(x) \geq f(x)\}$ . We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_X |f_n - f| d\mu &= \int_{A_n} (f_n - f) d\mu + \int_{A_n^c} (f - f_n) d\mu = \\ &= \left| \int_{A_n} f_n d\mu - \int_{A_n} f d\mu \right| + \left| \int_{A_n^c} f d\mu - \int_{A_n^c} f_n d\mu \right| \leq 2 p_n, \end{aligned}$$

that is the assertion.  $\square$

**Definition 4.8** A sequence  $(f_n)$  of simple functions is *Cauchy in  $L^1$*  if

$$(o) - \lim_n \int_X |f_n - f_{n+p}| d\mu = 0$$

uniformly with respect to  $p \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Analogously as in Proposition 4.7, one can prove the following:

**Proposition 4.9** *Let  $(f_n)_n$  be as above. Then,  $(f_n)_n$  is Cauchy in  $L^1$  if and only if the sequence  $(\int_A f_n d\mu)_n$  is Cauchy uniformly with respect to  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ .*

**Definition 4.10** Under the same notations as above, a map  $f$  is said to be *integrable* if there exists a sequence  $(f_n)_n$  of simple functions, convergent in measure to  $f$  and Cauchy in  $L^1$ . In this case, we define

$$\int_A f d\mu \equiv (o) - \lim_n \int_A f_n d\mu, \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{A}.$$

**Definition 4.11** If  $f$  is integrable, put

$$\int_A f d\mu \equiv (o) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_A f_n d\mu, \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{A},$$

where  $(f_n)_n$  is a sequence of simple function, convergent in measure to  $f$  and Cauchy in  $L^1$ .

Now, we prove that the integral in 4.11 is well-defined.

**Theorem 4.12** *Let  $f$  be an integrable function, and  $(f_n)_n$  as in 4.11. Then the limit  $(o) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_A f_n d\mu$  exists uniformly with respect to  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  and does not depend on the choice of  $(f_n)_n$ .*

**Proof** (see also [11]): Let  $(f_n^1)_n$ ,  $(f_n^2)_n$  be two sequences of simple maps, convergent in measure to the same limit  $f$  and Cauchy in  $L^1$ . Then, there exists  $(q_n^i)_n$ ,  $R \ni q_n^i \downarrow 0$ , such that

$$\left| \int_A f_n^i d\mu - \int_A f_m^i d\mu \right| \leq \int_X |f_n^i - f_m^i| d\mu \leq q_n^i \leq q_n^1 + q_n^2 \quad (i = 1, 2),$$

$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\forall m \geq n$ ,  $\forall A \in \mathcal{A}$ .

As  $R$  is Dedekind complete, then the sequences  $(\int_A f_n^i d\mu)_n$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) are  $(o)$ -convergent, uniformly with respect to  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ . We denote by  $l_i(A)$  their  $(o)$ -limits. For every  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ , let  $P_n(A) \equiv \int_A p_n d\mu$ , where  $p_n(x) \equiv |f_n^1(x) - f_n^2(x)|$ ,  $\forall x \in X$ . The sequence  $(p_n)_n$  converges in measure to 0, and it is easy to see that  $(P_n(A))_n$  is Cauchy uniformly with respect to  $A$ ; then,  $(o) - \lim_n P_n(A)$  exists in  $R$ , uniformly with respect to  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ : we denote this limit by  $P(A)$ . As the integral of simple functions is absolutely continuous, we have that

$$[(o) - \lim_k \mu(E_k) = 0] \implies [(o) - \lim_k P_n(E_k) = 0, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.]$$

Now, we prove that  $(o) - \lim_k P(E_k) = 0$ . Fix arbitrarily  $n, k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, there exist some sequences in  $R$ ,  $(t_n)_n$ ,  $(r_{n,k})_{n,k}$ , such that  $t_n \downarrow 0$ ,  $r_{n,k} \downarrow_k 0$  for all fixed  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and

$$|P(E_k) - P_n(E_k)| \leq t_n, \quad P_n(E_k) \leq r_{n,k}, \quad \forall n, k.$$

Thus,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq (o) - \limsup_k (P(E_k)) \leq (o) - \limsup_k |P(E_k) - P_n(E_k)| + \\ &\quad + (o) - \limsup_k (P_n(E_k)) \leq t_n + \inf_k r_{n,k} = t_n. \end{aligned}$$

By arbitrariness of  $n$ , we get  $(o) - \lim_k (P(E_k)) = 0$ .

By convergence in measure of  $(p_n)_n$  to 0, for every fixed  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq P(X) = P(\{x \in X : p_n(x) > \varepsilon\}) + [P(\{x \in X : p_n(x) \leq \varepsilon\}) - P_n(\{x \in X : p_n(x) \leq \varepsilon\})] + \\ &\quad + P_n(\{x \in X : p_n(x) \leq \varepsilon\}) \leq v_n + w_n + \varepsilon \mu(X), \end{aligned}$$

for some suitable sequences  $(v_n)_n$ ,  $(w_n)_n$  in  $R$ , such that  $v_n \downarrow 0 \downarrow w_n$ . Taking the infima with respect to  $n$ , and by arbitrariness of  $\varepsilon$ , we

obtain  $P(X) = 0$ . As  $0 \leq P_n(A) \leq P_n(X) \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \forall A \in \mathcal{A}$ , we get:  $P(A) = 0, \forall A \in \mathcal{A}$ . So,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \forall A \in \mathcal{A}$ , we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_A |l_1(A) - l_2(A)| &\leq \left| \int_A f_n^1 d\mu - l_1(A) \right| + \left| l_2(A) - \int_A f_n^2 d\mu \right| + \\ &+ \left| \int_A f_n^1 d\mu - \int_A f_n^2 d\mu \right| \leq a_n + b_n + \int_A p_n d\mu \leq a_n + b_n + c_n, \end{aligned}$$

for some suitable sequences  $(a_n)_n, (b_n)_n, (c_n)_n, a_n \downarrow 0, b_n \downarrow 0, c_n \downarrow 0$ . Taking the infima, we get:

$$\sup_A |l_1(A) - l_2(A)| \leq \inf_n (a_n + b_n + c_n) = 0.$$

Thus,  $l_1(A) = l_2(A), \forall A \in \mathcal{A}$ .  $\square$

**Remark 4.13** It is readily seen that the integral introduced in 4.11 is a linear monotone functional and a finitely additive set function.

**Lemma 4.14** *Under the same notations as above, let  $f$  be an integrable function, and  $(f_n)_n$  a sequence of simple function, convergent in measure to  $f$  and Cauchy in  $L^1$ . Then,*

$$(o) - \lim_n \int_X |f_n - f| d\mu = 0.$$

**Proof:** As  $(f_n)_n$  is Cauchy in  $L^1$ , there exists a sequence  $(y_n)_n, y_n \downarrow 0$ , such that

$$\int_X |f_n - f_m| d\mu \leq y_n.$$

Fix  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . As  $(f_m)_m$  converges in measure to  $f$ , then  $(|f_n - f_m|)_m$  converges in measure to  $|f_n - f|$ . Moreover, it is easy to check that  $(|f_n - f_m|)_m$  is Cauchy in  $L^1$ . So,

$$\int_A |f_n - f| d\mu = (o) - \lim_m \int_A (|f_n - f_m|) d\mu,$$

uniformly with respect to  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ , and thus

$$\int_X |f_n - f| d\mu \leq y_n,$$

that is the assertion.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.15** *Let  $f$  be an integrable function, and let  $(A_{n,\lambda})_{n \in \mathbb{N}, \lambda \in \Lambda}$  be a family of subsets of  $X$ , such that*

$$(o) - \lim_n \left( \sup_\lambda \mu(A_{n,\lambda}) \right) = 0.$$

Then,

$$(o) - \lim_n \left( \sup_{\lambda} \int_{A_{n,\lambda}} |f| d\mu \right) = 0.$$

**Proof:** Let  $(f_h)_{h \in \mathcal{N}}$  be as in Lemma 4.14. There exist some sequences  $(z_n)_n$ ,  $(d_h)_h$ ,  $R \ni z_n \downarrow 0$ ,  $R \ni d_h \downarrow 0$ , and there exists some real numbers  $v_h$ ,  $h \in \mathcal{N}$ , such that, for all  $n, k, \lambda$ , we have:

$$\int_{A_{n,\lambda}} |f| d\mu \leq \int_X |f - f_h| d\mu + \int_{A_{n,\lambda}} |f_h| d\mu \leq d_h + v_h z_n,$$

and hence

$$\sup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \int_{A_{n,\lambda}} |f| d\mu \leq d_h + v_h z_n;$$

thus

$$0 \leq (o) - \limsup_n \left( \sup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \int_{A_{n,\lambda}} |f| d\mu \right) \leq d_h + (o) - \limsup_n v_h z_n, \forall h$$

and therefore

$$0 \leq (o) - \limsup_n \left( \sup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \int_{A_{n,\lambda}} |f| d\mu \right) \leq \inf_h d_h = 0,$$

that is

$$(o) - \lim_n \left( \sup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \int_{A_{n,\lambda}} |f| d\mu \right) = 0. \square$$

We now state the following:

**Theorem 4.16** *Let  $(f_n)_n$  be a sequence of simple functions of  $R^X$ , convergent in measure to  $f \in R^X$ . Then, the following are equivalent:*

**4.16.1.)**  $(f_n)_n$  is Cauchy in  $L^1$

**4.16.2.)**  $f$  is integrable and  $(f_n)_n$  converges in  $L^1$  to  $f$ .

**4.16.3.)**  $\sup_n \int_X f_n d\mu \in R$ ; and

$$(o) - \lim_n \left[ \sup_{\lambda} \left( \sup_{m \geq n} \int_{A_{n,\lambda}} |f_m| d\mu \right) \right] = 0,$$

for every family  $(A_{n,\lambda})_{n \in \mathcal{N}, \lambda \in \Lambda}$  of subsets of  $X$ , such that

$$(o) - \lim_n \left( \sup_{\lambda} \mu(A_{n,\lambda}) \right) = 0.$$

**4.16.4.)**  $(o) - \lim_n \sup_{k \geq n} \int_{\{x \in X: |f_k(x)| > n\}} |f_k| d\mu = 0.$

**Proof:** We observe that we will use convergence in measure only in order to prove the implications [4.16.1.)]  $\implies$  [4.16.2.)] and [4.16.3.)]  $\implies$  [4.16.1.)].

[4.16.1.)]  $\implies$  [4.16.2.)]: See Definition 4.10 and Lemma 4.14.

[4.16.2.)]  $\implies$  [4.16.3.)]: Fix  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ ,  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ , with  $m \geq n$ . By virtue of Lemma 4.15, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{A_{n,\lambda}} |f_m| d\mu &\leq \int_X |f - f_m| d\mu + \\ &+ \int_{A_{n,\lambda}} |f| d\mu \leq s_m + e_n \leq s_n + e_n, \end{aligned}$$

for some suitable sequences  $(s_n)_n$  and  $(e_n)_n$ ,  $R \ni s_n \downarrow 0$ ,  $R \ni e_n \downarrow 0$ . So,

$$\sup_{\lambda} \left( \sup_{m \geq n} \int_{A_{n,\lambda}} |f_m| d\mu \right) \leq s_n + e_n, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N},$$

and therefore

$$(o) - \lim_n \left[ \sup_{\lambda} \left( \sup_{m \geq n} \int_{A_{n,\lambda}} |f_m| d\mu \right) \right] = 0.$$

By proceeding analogously, it is easy to prove that

$$\sup_n \int_X f_n d\mu \in R.$$

[4.16.3.)]  $\implies$  [4.16.4.)]: For every  $n, k \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $A_{n,k} \equiv \{x \in X : |f_k(x)| > n\}$ . Then, there exists  $r \in R$ , such that

$$r \geq \int_X |f_k| d\mu \geq \int_{A_{n,k}} |f_k| d\mu \geq \int_{A_{n,k}} n d\mu = n \mu(A_{n,k}).$$

Thus,  $\mu(A_{n,k}) \leq \frac{r}{n}$ . So,

$$(o) - \lim_n \int_{A_{n,k}} |f_{n+p}| d\mu = 0$$

uniformly with respect to  $k$  and  $p \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore,

$$(o) - \lim_n \left( \sup_{k \geq n} \int_{A_{n,k}} |f_k| d\mu \right) = 0.$$

(see also [8] [4.16.4.])  $\implies$  [4.16.3.]) : Let  $A_{n,k}$  ( $n, k \in \mathbb{N}$ ) be as in the previous step. For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , with  $k \geq n$ , one has:

$$\int_X |f_k| d\mu = \int_{X \cap A_{n,k}} |f_k| d\mu + \int_{X \cap A_{n,k}^c} |f_k| d\mu \leq \alpha_n + n \mu(X),$$

where  $\alpha_n$  is a suitable decreasing sequence in  $R$ , with  $\inf_n \alpha_n = 0$ . Taking  $n = 1$ , we get:

$$\int_X |f_k| d\mu \leq \alpha_1 + \mu(X) :$$

so,

$$\sup_{k \geq 1} \int_X |f_k| d\mu \in R.$$

Let now  $(E_{n,\lambda})_{n,\lambda}$  be such that  $(o) - \lim_n \sup_\lambda \mu(E_{n,\lambda}) = 0$ . Then,  $\forall \lambda \in \Lambda$ ,  $\forall h, n, k \in \mathbb{N}$ , with  $k \geq n$ , and  $k \geq h$ , we have:

$$\int_{E_{n,\lambda}} |f_k| d\mu = \int_{E_{n,\lambda} \cap A_{h,k}} |f_k| d\mu + \int_{E_{n,\lambda} \cap A_{h,k}^c} |f_k| d\mu \leq \rho_h + h \mu(E_{n,\lambda}) \leq \rho_h + h \sigma_n,$$

for two suitable sequences  $(\rho_h)_h$  and  $\sigma_n$  in  $R$ , such that  $\rho_h \downarrow 0 \downarrow \sigma_n$ . Therefore, for every  $k \geq n$ , we get:

$$\sup_\lambda \left( \sup_{k \geq n} \int_{E_{n,\lambda}} |f_k| d\mu \right) \leq \rho_h + h \sigma_n.$$

Thus,

$$0 \leq (o) - \limsup_n \left[ \sup_\lambda \left( \sup_{k \geq n} \int_{E_{n,\lambda}} |f_k| d\mu \right) \right] \leq \rho_h + h \inf_n \sigma_n = \rho_h, \forall h.$$

By arbitrariness of  $h$ , we get:

$$0 \leq (o) - \limsup_n \left[ \sup_\lambda \left( \sup_{k \geq n} \int_{E_{n,\lambda}} |f_k| d\mu \right) \right] \leq \inf_h \rho_h = 0.$$

Hence,

$$(o) - \lim_n \left[ \sup_\lambda \left( \sup_{k \geq n} \int_{E_{n,\lambda}} |f_k| d\mu \right) \right] = 0.$$

[4.16.3.]  $\implies$  [4.16.1.] : Fix  $\varepsilon > 0$ . As  $(f_n)_n$  converges in measure to  $f$ , then  $(f_n)_n$  is Cauchy in measure. So, there exists a sequence

$(z_n)_n$ ,  $z_n \downarrow 0$ , such that, for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\forall m \geq n$ ,  $\mu(A_{n,m}) \leq z_n$ , where  $A_{n,m} = \{x \in X : |f_n(x) - f_m(x)| > \varepsilon\}$ . By 4.16.3.), we have

$$\int_{A_{n,m}} |f_m| d\mu \leq t_n, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \forall m \geq n,$$

for a suitable sequence  $(t_n)_n$ ,  $t_n \downarrow 0$ . Thus,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\forall m \geq n$  :

$$\begin{aligned} \int_X |f_n - f_m| d\mu &= \int_{A_{n,m}^c} |f_n - f_m| d\mu + \int_{A_{n,m}} |f_n - f_m| d\mu \leq \\ &\leq \varepsilon \mu(X) + \int_{A_{n,m}} |f_n| d\mu + \int_{A_{n,m}} |f_m| d\mu \leq \\ &\leq \varepsilon \mu(X) + t_n + w_n, \end{aligned}$$

for some suitable sequences  $t_n \downarrow 0$ ,  $w_n \downarrow 0$ . So, the assertion follows.  $\square$

A consequence of Theorem 4.16 is the following:

**Corollary 4.17** *With the same hypotheses and notations as above, let  $f \in R^X$  be an integrable function. Then there exists an equiintegrable sequence  $(f_n)_n$  of simple functions, convergent in measure to  $f$ .*

We will prove the following theorem, which is the converse of Corollary 4.17:

**Theorem 4.18** *If  $f \in R^X$  is such that there exists an equiintegrable sequence  $(f_n)_n$  of functions, convergent in measure to  $f$ , then  $f$  is integrable, and*

$$\int_X f d\mu = \lim_n \int_X f_n d\mu.$$

Now we compare the integral introduced in 4.11 with the (B)-integral introduced in [3], and the "monotone integral" introduced in [4].

**Definition 4.19** Under the same notations as above, a map  $f$  is said to be (B)-integrable if there exists a sequence  $(s_n)_n$  of simple functions, satisfying 4.16.3.) and (o)-convergent in measure to  $f$ . In this case, we define

$$(B) - \int_A f d\mu \equiv (o) - \lim_n \int_A s_n d\mu, \forall A \in \mathcal{A}.$$

The following result is a consequence of 4.4 and 4.16.

**Theorem 4.20** *Let  $R$  be a Dedekind complete Riesz space. Then, every (B)-integrable function  $f$  is integrable too. Moreover, if  $R$  is Egoroff,  $f$  is integrable if and only if it is (B)-integrable.*

**Theorem 4.21** *If  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is bounded measurable, then  $\int_X f d\mu = (M) - \int_X f d\mu$ .*

**Proof:** First of all, we note that the quantity at the right side exists in  $R$ , by construction.

Without loss of generality, we may suppose that  $f$  is nonnegative. If  $f$  is simple, the assertion is immediate. Now, let  $L \equiv \sup_{x \in X} f(x)$ , and  $(s_n)_n$  be as the functions  $g_n$  in Proposition 3.11. of [4]. For every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $x \in X$ , it is:

$$s_n(x) \leq f(x) \leq s_n(x) + \frac{L}{2^n}.$$

So, the sequence  $(s_n)_n$  converges uniformly to  $f$ . Then

$$(o)\text{-}\lim_n \int_X s_n d\mu = (o)\text{-}\lim_n (M) - \int_X s_n d\mu = \sup_n (M) - \int_X s_n d\mu = (M) - \int_X f d\mu.$$

We observe that the monotone integral satisfies Lemma 4.15 (see also [4]); thus, it follows that  $(s_n)_n$  converges in measure to  $f$  and satisfies 4.16.3.); so, by Theorem 4.16, we can conclude that  $f$  is integrable and  $\int_X f d\mu = (M) - \int_X f d\mu$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.22** *Let  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a measurable map. Then, the following are equivalent:*

- 1.) *There exists an equiintegrable sequence of simple functions  $(s_n)_n$ , convergent in measure to  $f$ .*
- 2.)  *$f$  is  $(M)$ -integrable.*
- 3.)  *$f$  is integrable.*

**Proof.** (see also [5]) Without any restriction, we can suppose that  $f$  is nonnegative.

[1.]  $\implies$  [2.] : Let  $(s_n)_n$  satisfy [1.]). Then, by Theorem 3.23. of [4] [Vitali's theorem], it follows that  $f$  is integrable, and

$$\int_X f d\mu = (o) - \lim_n \int_X s_n d\mu = (B) - \int_X f d\mu.$$

[2.]  $\implies$  [3.] : Assume that  $f$  is (nonnegative and)  $(M)$ -integrable, and let  $(s_n)_n$  be as in Proposition 3.11. of [4]. Then  $(s_n)_n$  is an (increasing) sequence of simple functions, convergent in measure to  $f$  and satisfying 4.16.3.), because Lemma 4.15 holds for the  $(M)$ -integral. Thus,  $f$  is integrable.

[3.]  $\implies$  [1.] : Straightforward.



Now, when  $X$  is a Banach lattice, it is possible to compare the integral defined in 4.11 with the Bochner integral. The following result holds:

**Theorem 4.23** *Let  $R$  be a Banach lattice,  $\mu : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow R$  be an  $s$ -bounded finitely additive measure,  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a map. Then,  $f$  is integrable if and only if  $f$  is Bochner integrable.*

**Proof:** We denote by  $\nu$  a control for  $\mu$ . If  $f$  is integrable, then there exists a sequence  $(s_n)_n$  of simple functions, converging in measure to  $f$  and uniformly integrable.

Thus,  $\int_X f_n d\mu \ll m \ll \nu$ , uniformly with respect to  $n$ . By Theorem 2.5. of [5],  $f$  is Bochner integrable.

Conversely, let  $f$  be Bochner integrable. Without any restriction, we may assume that  $f$  is nonnegative. Then, there exists a sequence  $(f_n)_n$  of simple functions,  $0 \leq f_n \leq f$ , converging in measure to  $f$ . Then we have:

$$\int_X f_n d\mu \leq (\text{Bochner}) - \int_X f d\mu \ll \mu.$$

So, integrability of  $f$  follows.  $\square$

Hence, in Banach lattices, the Bochner and the monotone integral coincide.

Let now  $R$  be a Dedekind complete Riesz space: by Maeda-Ogasawara-Vulikh representation theorem (see also [1]), there exists a compact extremally disconnected topological space  $\Omega$  such that  $R$  can be embedded as a solid subspace of  $\mathcal{C}_\infty(\Omega) \equiv \{f : \Omega \rightarrow \tilde{\mathbb{R}} : f \text{ is continuous, and } \{\omega \in \Omega : |f(\omega)| = +\infty\} \text{ is nowhere dense in } \Omega\}$ .

Now, let  $u : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  be a Riemann integrable map. Then, there exists a nowhere dense set  $N \subset \Omega$  such that the map  $t \mapsto u_\omega(t)$ , defined by setting  $u_\omega(t) \equiv u(t)(\omega)$ , is real-valued and bounded. We observe that, for each function  $s \in S_u$ , for every  $\omega \notin N$ , the map  $s_\omega(t) \equiv s(t)(\omega)$  is a step function, and

$$s(t)(\omega) \leq u(t)(\omega), \quad \forall t \in [a, b].$$

So we get, up to the complement of a meager set:

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \int_a^b u(t) dt \right) (\omega) &= \left[ \sup_{s \in S_u} \left( \int_a^b s(t) dt \right) \right] (\omega) \leq \sup_{w \in S_{u_\omega}} \int_a^b w(t) dt = {}^* \int_a^b u(t)(\omega) dt; \\ \left( \int_a^b u(t) dt \right) (\omega) &= \left[ \inf_{v \in V_u} \left( \int_a^b v(t) dt \right) \right] (\omega) \geq \inf_{z \in V_{u_\omega}} \int_a^b z(t) dt = {}^* \int_a^b u(t)(\omega) dt; \end{aligned}$$

that is,  $u_\omega$  is Riemann-integrable, and

$$\left( \int_a^b u(t) dt \right) (\omega) = \int_a^b u(t)(\omega) dt.$$

**Remark 4.24** By proceeding as above, we have that, if  $R = \mathcal{B}(D) = \{f \in \mathbb{R}^D : f \text{ is bounded}\}$ , where  $D$  is an arbitrary set, then

$$\left( \int_a^b u(t) dt \right) (d) = \int_a^b u(t)(d) dt \quad \forall d \in D.$$

Endow now  $D$  with the discrete topology, let  $R' \equiv \mathcal{C}(\beta D) = \{f \in \mathbb{R}^{\beta D} : f \text{ is continuous}\}$ , and  $u : [a, b] \rightarrow R'$  be a Riemann-integrable function: then, the map  $\xi \mapsto (\int_a^b u(t) dt)(\xi)$  is the (unique) continuous extension to the whole of  $\beta D$  of the map  $d \mapsto (\int_a^b u(t) dt)(d)$ , and thus it is equal to the Chojnacki-integral of the map  $u$ , where the chosen retraction  $r : \beta D \rightarrow \beta D$  is the identity (see also [2], [7]).

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