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# On Projection Properties of Monotone Integrable Functions

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# Abstract

This research formulates an (i-1,i) - dimensional structure of  $\mu_{|f|^p}^{(i-1,i)}$ -vector measure integrable functions for i = 1, 2, ...n. Fixed point projection properties of a vector measure are applied to determine the measurability of sets in the domain of integrable functions. Measurable sets of the form  $\prod_i A_{i-1}^{(i,i+1)}$  are partitioned into disjoint sets  $\prod_i A_{i-1}^i$  of finite measure. The obtained results demonstrate utility of concepts of vector measure duality, continuity from below of a measure and monotonicity of a vector measure in integrating functions.

Keywords: Projection properties; measure space; integrable functions.

# 1 Introduction

This paper considers a sequence of monotone functions and integrability concepts of integrable functions with respect to  $\mu_{|f|^p}^{(i-1,i)}$ -vector measure. The utility of concepts such as vector measure duality, continuity from below

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and monotonicity of a vector measure are applied in constructing  $\mu_{|f|^p}^{(i-1,i)}$ -vector measurable sets with respect to the sigma ring  $\rho^{(i-1,i)}$  of subsets of an *n*-dimensional speace  $X^n$  where f is an integrable function with respect to a measure  $\mu^{(i-1,i)}$  defined on  $\rho^{(i-1,i)}$ .

This study involves partitioning of measurable sets into disjoint sets. The research further apllies projection properties of vector measure duality with values in a Hilbert space.

# 2 Preliminaries

**Definition 1**(*p* -Integrable Function) (Sanchez [9])

Let  $(X \times X, \rho^{(i-1,i)}, \mu^{(i-1,i)})$  be a measure space where  $\mu^{(i-1,i)}$  is a measure defined on a sigma ring  $\rho^{(i-1,i)}$  of subsets of  $X \times X$ . Then for  $\prod_i A_{i-1}^i \in \rho^{(i-1,i)}$  there exists a function f defined on  $X \times X$  such that  $\mu_{|f|^p}^{(i-1,i)}(\prod_i A_{i-1}^i) \in Z$  where Z is a Hilbert space and  $\prod_i A_{i-1}^i$  is the product of  $A_i$  for i = 1, 2, ...n. The function f defined on  $X \times X$  is said to be p-integrable with respect to  $\mu^{(i-1,i)}$  if

$$<\mu_{|f|^p}^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_i A_{i-1}^i), z'><\infty$$

where z' is an element in Z', the dual space of Z.

# Definition 2 (Vector Measure)(Otanga [6])

Let  $(X \times X, \rho^{(i-1,i)}, \mu^{(i-1,i)})$  be a measure space. If  $L_P(\mu^{(i-1,i)})$  is the function space of *p*-integrable functions with respect to  $\mu^{(i-1,i)}, \Pi_{i=1}A_{i-1}^i \in \rho^{(i-1,i)}, f \in L_P(\mu^{(i-1,i)})$  and  $\mu^{(i-1,i)}_{|f|^p}(\Pi_{i=1}A_{i-1}^i) \in Z$  where Z is a Hilbert space, then the set function  $\mu^{(i-1,i)}_{|f|^p}: \rho^{(i-1,i)} \to Z$  is called a vector measure.

## **Definition 3 (Norm of** p -Integrable Functions)(Sanchez [9])

The set  $L_P(\mu^{(i-1,i)})$  of *p*-integrable functions with respect to  $\mu^{(i-1,i)}$  defines an order continuous Hilbert function space whose norm is given by

$$\| f \|_{p} = \sup(\langle \mu_{|f|^{p}}^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}A_{i-1}^{i}), z' \rangle)^{1/p}$$

where  $\Pi_{i=1} A_{i-1}^i \in \rho^{(i-1,i)}, f \in L_P(\mu^{(i-1,i)})$  and  $z' \in Z'$ .

## **Definition 4** $(k_{i+1}$ -Projection Product Measure)(Otanga [5])

Let  $\mu_{i-1}^{(i,i+1)}$  represent the product measure  $\mu_{i-1} \times \mu_i \times \mu_{i+1}$  defined on a sigma ring  $\rho_{i-1}^{(i,i+1)}$  of subsets of an i + 1-dimensional space for i = 1, 2, ..n. For a fixed positive integer  $k_{i+1}$ , the set function  $\mu_{i-1}^{i}$  where i = 1, 2, ..n is called the projection product measure and is denoted by

# $proj_{k_{i+1}}(\mu_{i-1}^{(i,i+1)})$

**Definition 5**  $(\mu^{i-1,i})_{|f|^p}$ -Measurable Set)(Sanchez [9])

Let  $(X \times X, \rho^{(i-1,i)}, \mu^{(i-1,i)})$  be a measure space. If  $\prod_i A_{i-1}^i$  is a measurable set with respect to  $\rho^{(i-1,i)}$ , then  $\mu^{(i-1,i)}(\prod_i A_{i-1}^i) = \mu_{i-1}(A_{i-1}) \times \mu_i(A_i)$  for i = 1, 2, ...n

If  $f \in L_P(\mu_{i-1}^i)$  then for a fixed positive integer  $k_{i+1}$ , the set  $\prod_i A_{i-1}^i$  is said to be  $(\mu^{i-1,i})_{|f|^p}$ -measurable if  $< \mu_{i+1}^{(i-1,i)}(\prod_i A_{i-1}^i), z' >$  is finite for i = 1, 2, ... n

## **Definition 6** $(k_{i+1}$ -Projection of a Measurable Set)(Otanga [6])

Let  $\Pi_{i=1}A_{i-1}^{(i,i+1)}$  be a measurable set with respect to  $\rho^{(i-1,i,i+1)}$ . Then the  $k_{i+1}$ -projection  $\Pi_{i=1}A_{i-1}^{i}$  of  $\Pi_{i=1}A_{i-1}^{(i,i+1)}$  is denoted by  $proj_{k_{i+1}}(\Pi_{i=1}A_{i-1}^{(i,i+1)})$  where  $k_{i+1}$  is a fixed positive integer.

#### Definition 7 (Monotone *p*-Integrable Functions)

According to the results in (Otanga [5] and Sanchez [9]), a sequence  $(f_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  of *p*-integrable functions is said to be monotonically increasing if  $\prod_{i=1} A_{i-1}^i \subseteq \prod_{i=1} B_{i-1}^i$  for i = 1, 2, ..., n implies that

$$<\mu_{|f_n|^p}^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}A_{i-1}^i), z'>^{1\backslash p} \le <\mu_{|f_n|^p}^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}B_{i-1}^i), z'>^{1\backslash p}$$

Similarly a sequence  $(f_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  of p-integrable functions is said to be monotonically decreasing if

 $\Pi_{i=1}A_{i-1}^i \subseteq \Pi_{i=1}B_{i-1}^i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots n$  implies that

$$<\mu^{(i-1,i)}_{|f_n|^p}(\Pi_{i=1}A^i_{i-1}), z'>^{1\backslash p} \ge <\mu^{(i-1,i)}_{|f_n|^p}(\Pi_{i=1}B^i_{i-1}), z'>^{1\backslash p}$$

# 3 Main Results

## Proposition 1

Let  $(X \times X, \rho^{(i-1,i)}, \mu^{(i-1,i)})$  be a measure space and  $(f_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a monotonically decreasing sequence of *p*-integrable functions with respect to  $\mu^{(i-1,i)}$ . If  $f_n \downarrow 0$  for each *n* and  $((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f_1(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0)$  for all  $(x_{i-1}, x_i)$ , then  $\langle \mu_{|f|^p}^{(i-1,i)}((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f_1(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0), z' \rangle^{1/p}$  is monotonically decreasing to zero for i = 1, 2, ..., n

## Proof

Let  $proj_{k_{i+1}}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{n_{i-1}}^{(i,i+1)}) = \Pi_{i=1}E_{n_{i-1}}^{i}$  such that  $\Pi_{i=1}E_{n_{i-1}}^{i} = ((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f_n(x_{i-1}, x_i)) > \epsilon)$ where  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $f_{n+1} \le f_n$  for all n. It follows that  $\Pi_{i=1}E_{n_{i-1}}^{i} \subset ((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f_1(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0)$ As a consequence of  $f_n(x) \downarrow 0$  and  $((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f_1(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0)$ , it follows that  $\Pi_{i=1}E_{n_{i-1}}^{i} \downarrow 0$  for all n (Lech [2]) Let  $\Pi_{i=1}E_{i-1}^{i} = ((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f_1(x_{i-1}, x_i) \ge f_n(x_{i-1}, x_i)).$ If  $(x_{i-1}, x_i) \in \Pi_{i=1}E_{i-1}^{i}$ , then  $(f_n \cap f_1)(x_{i-1}, x_i) = f_n(x_{i-1}, x_i)$ 

Therefore

$$((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f_n(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0) \subset ((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f_1(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0)$$

For each set  $((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f_1(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0)$ , we have

 $\chi_{((x_{i-1},x_i):f_1(x_{i-1},x_i)\neq 0)}f_n = f_n \text{ for } i = 1,2,...n$ 

Applying the results on integrable functions (Sanchez [9] and okada [3]) and vector duality functions (Campo *et. al.* [1]), we obtain

$$< \mu_{|f|^{p}}^{(i-1,i)}((x_{i-1},x_{i}) : f_{1}(x_{i-1},x_{i}) \neq 0), z' >^{1\setminus p} = < \mu_{|f|^{p}}^{(i-1,i)}((x_{i-1},x_{i}) : f_{1}(x_{i-1},x_{i}) \neq 0) \cap$$

$$(\Pi_{i=1}E_{ni-1}^{i})^{c}, z' >)^{1\setminus p} + < \mu_{|f|^{p}}^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{ni-1}^{i}), z' >)^{1\setminus p}$$

$$(*)$$

where  $(\prod_{i=1} E_{ni-1}{}^{i})^{c}$  represents the complement of  $\prod_{i=1} E_{ni-1}{}^{i}$  in the set

$$((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f_1(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0)$$

Given that  $f_n(x_{i-1}, x_i) \leq \epsilon$  on  $((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f_1(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0) \setminus \prod_{i=1} E_{n_i-1}^{i_i})$ , it follows that

 $< \mu_{|f|p}^{(i-1,i)}((x_{i-1}, x_i : f_1(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0) \cap (\Pi_{i=1}E_{ni-1}{}^i)^c, z' >)^{1\setminus p}$   $\le \epsilon < \mu^{(i-1,i)}(((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f_1(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0) \cap (\Pi_{i=1}E_{ni-1}{}^i)^c), z' >$   $\le \epsilon < \mu_{i-1}^i((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f_1(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0), z' >$   $Let \ M = sup \ (|\ f_n(x_{i-1}, x_i) | \forall (x_{i-1}, x_i). \ Then$   $< \mu_{|f|p}^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{ni-1}{}^i), z' >)^{1\setminus p} \le M < \mu^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{ni-1}{}^i), z' >$ for all n Therefore, equation (\*) becomes  $< \mu_{|f|p}^{(i-1,i)}((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f_1(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0), z' >^{1\setminus p}$   $\le \epsilon < \mu^{(i-1,i)}(x_{i-1}, x_i : f_1(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0), z' >$   $HM < \mu^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{ni-1}{}^i), z' >$   $Since \ \epsilon \text{ is arbitrary and } < \mu^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{ni-1}{}^i), z' > 0 \text{ for each } n, \text{ it follows that }$   $< \mu_{|f|p}^{(i-1,i)}((x_{i-1}, x_i : f_1(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0), z' >^{1\setminus p} \cup 0 \text{ for } i = 1, 2, ... n$ 

#### Proposition 2

Let  $(X \times X, \rho^{(i-1,i)}, \mu^{(i-1,i)})$  be a measure space, f and g be positive p-integrable functions with respect to  $\mu^{(i-1,i)}$ . If  $\prod_{i=1} E_{i-1}^i = (x_{i-1}, x_i : g(x_{i-1}, x_i) \ge f(x_{i-1}, x_i))$ , then

 $\parallel f \parallel_p \leq \parallel g \parallel_p$ 

# Proof

Let  $(f_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  and  $(g_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be monotonically increasing *p*-integrable functions such that  $\chi_{\prod_{i=1}A_{i-1}^i}g_n \uparrow \chi_{\prod_{i=1}A_{i-1}^i}g_n$ and  $\chi_{\prod_{i=1}A_{i-1}^i}f_n \uparrow \chi_{\prod_{i=1}A_{i-1}^i}f$  for each *n* and for every measurable set  $\prod_{i=1}A_{i-1}^i$  of finite measure.

 $\text{Let} < \mu_{|g_n|^p}^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}A_{i-1}^i), z' >^{1 \setminus p} \leq M \text{ for each } n \text{ and } M > 0.$ 

If  $(\Pi_{i=1}A_{i-1}^i) \cap ((x_{i-1}, x_i) : h_n(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0)$ =  $(\Pi_{i=1}A_{i-1}^i) \cap ((x_{i-1}, x_i) : (f_n \cap g_n)(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0)$ , then

 $(\prod_{i=1} A_{i-1}^i) \cap ((x_{i-1}, x_i) : h_n(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0)$  is a subset of

 $(\Pi_{i=1}A_{i-1}^i) \cap ((x_{i-1}, x_i) : g_n(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0)$ 

#### Therefore

 $< \mu_{|h_n|^p}^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}A_{i-1}^i), z' >^{1 \setminus p} \le M$ If  $(x_{i-1}, x_i) \in \Pi_{i=1}E_{i-1}^i$ , then  $(f \cap g)(x_{i-1}, x_i) = f(x_{i-1}, x_i)$ It follows that  $\Pi_{i=1}A_{i-1}^i \cap (x \in X : h_n(x) \neq 0)$  is monotonically increasing to  $(\Pi_{i=1}A_{i-1}^i) \cap ((x_{i-1}, x_i) : (f \cap g)(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0)$ 

$$= (\Pi_{i=1}A_{i-1}^i) \cap ((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0)$$

## Therefore

 $<\mu_{|f|^p}^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}A_{i-1}^i), z'>^{1\setminus p} = \text{LUB} < \mu_{|h_n|^p}^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}A_{i-1}^i), z'>^{1\setminus p}$ 

 $\leq LUB < \mu_{|g_n|^p}^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}A_{i-1}^i), z' >^{1\backslash p} = < \mu_{|g|^p}^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}A_{i-1}^i), z' >^{1\backslash p}$ 

Taking the supremum on both sides of the inequality, (Sanchez [9]) we obtain

 $\parallel f \parallel_p \leq \parallel g \parallel_p$ 

# Proposition 3

Let  $(X \times X, \rho^{(i-1,i)}, \mu^{(i-1,i)})$  be a measure space and  $(f_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of positive bounded *p*-integrable functions with respect to  $\mu^{(i-1,i)}$  such that  $f_n \uparrow f$  for each *n*. If  $\prod_i E_{i-1}^i = ((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f((x_{i-1}, x_i)) > \epsilon)$ , then

 $< \mu^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_i E_{i-1}^i), z' >$ is bounded.

## Proof

Since  $f_n \uparrow f$  for each n (by hypothesis), it follows that  $f = LUBf_n$  and  $f = (f_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ 

Let 
$$\prod_{i=1} E_{n_{i-1}}^{i} = ((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f_n(x_{i-1}, x_i) > \epsilon)$$
 such that

 $<\mu_{|f_n|^p}^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_i E_{n\,i-1}{}^i), z'>^{1\setminus p} \le M$  for all n and M>0

It follows that  $\prod_{i=1} E_{ni-1}{}^i \uparrow \prod_{i=1} E_{1-1}^i$  for each n

Since  $f_n(x_{i-1}, x_i) > \epsilon$  for each  $(x_{i-1}, x_i)$ , it follows that

$$\epsilon < \mu^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{ni-1}{}^i)), z' \ge < \mu^{(i-1,i)}_{|f_n|^p}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{ni-1}{}^i), z' >^{1\backslash p} \le M$$

Let  $(\prod_{i=1} F_{n_i-1}{}^i)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of mutually disjoint sets such that

$$\Pi_{i=1} E_{i-1}^{i} = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \Pi_{i=1} F_{n\,i-1}{}^{i}$$

On application of the results in (Rodriguez [8] and Otanga [7]) and by finiteness of a vector measure (Otanga [4] and Yaogan [10]), we obtain

$$<\mu^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{i-1}^{i}), z' >= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} <\mu(\Pi_{i=1}F_{k\,i-1}^{i}), z' >$$

$$= LUB_{n}\sum_{k=1}^{n} <\mu^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}F_{k\,i-1}^{i}), z' >$$

$$= LUB_{n} <\mu^{(i-1,i)}(\bigcup_{k=1}^{n}\Pi_{i=1}F_{k\,i-1}^{i}), z' >$$

$$= LUB_{n} <\mu^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{n\,i-1}^{i}), z' > \leq M$$

## **Proposition 4**

Let  $(X \times X, \rho^{(i-1,i)}, \mu^{(i-1,i)})$  be a measure space, f be a p-integrable function with respect to  $\mu^{(i-1,i)}$  and  $(\prod_{i=1}E_{ni-1})_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of measurable sets such that

 $\Pi_{i=1} E_{n\,i-1}{}^{i} = ((x_{i-1}, x_i) : | f(x_{i-1}, x_i) | \ge 1 \setminus n) \text{ for each } n.$ 

If  $\prod_{i=1} E_{ni-1}{}^i$  is a  $\mu_{|f|^p}^{(i-1,i)}$  - null set for each n, then

$$<\mu^{(i-1,i)}((x_{i-1},x_i):f(x)\neq 0), z'>=0$$

## Proof

Consider the measurable sets  $((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0)$  and  $\prod_{i=1} E_{ni-1}{}^i = ((x_{i-1}, x_i) : |f(x_{i-1}, x_i)| \geq 1 \setminus n)$ such that  $((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0) = LUB_n \prod_{i=1} E_{ni-1}{}^i$ 

It follows that

 $\Pi_{i=1}E_{ni-1}{}^{i} \uparrow ((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0)$ Let  $G_{k_i} \bigcap G_{k_j} = \emptyset$  for  $k_i \neq k_j$  where  $k_i, k_j = 1, 2, \dots$  and  $((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0) = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} \Pi_{i=1}G_{k_i-1}{}^{i}$  By the property of countable additivity of a vector measure (Otanga *et. al.* [5]), we obtain  $\langle \mu^{(i-1,i)}((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0), z' \rangle$ 

$$\begin{split} &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} < \mu^{(i-1,i)} (\Pi_{i=1} G_{ki-1}{}^{i}), z' > \\ &= LUB_n \sum_{k=1}^n < \mu^{(i-1,i)} (\Pi_{i=1} G_{ki-1}{}^{i}), z' > \\ &= LUB_n < \mu^{(i-1,i)} (\bigcup_{k=1}^n \Pi_{i=1} G_{ki-1}{}^{i}), z' > \\ &= LUB_n < \mu^{(i-1,i)} (\Pi_{i=1} E_{ni-1}{}^{i}), z' > \\ &\text{Since } 1 \setminus n \leq |f(x_{i-1}, x_i)| \text{ on } \Pi_{i=1} E_{ni-1}{}^{i} \text{ and } \Pi_{i=1} E_{ni-1}{}^{i} \text{ is a } \mu^{(i-1,i)}_{|f|^p} \text{ - null set for each } n \text{ (by hypothesis), then} \end{split}$$

 $1 \setminus n < \mu^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{n\,i-1}{}^i), z' > \le < \mu^{(i-1,i)} | f |^p (\Pi_{i=1}E_{n\,i-1}{}^i), z' >^{1 \setminus p} = 0,$ Therefore  $< \mu^{(i-1,i)}(x_{i-1}, x_i) : f(x) \neq 0, z' > = 0$ 

#### **Proposition 5**

Let  $(X \times X, \rho^{(i-1,i)}, \mu^{(i-1,i)})$  be a measure space, f be a p-integrable function with respect to  $\mu^{(i-1,i)}$  and  $((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0)$  be a  $\mu^{(i-1,i)}_{|f|^p}$  - null set, then f = 0 on the complement of set  $((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0)$ 

#### Proof

Let  $\Pi_{i=1}G_{i-1}^{i} = ((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0), \ \Pi_{i=1}E_{i-1}^{i} = ((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f(x_{i-1}, x_i) > 0 \text{ and } \Pi_{i=1}F_{i-1}^{i} = ((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f(x_{i-1}, x_i) < 0)$  be measurable sets with respect to  $\rho^{(i-1,i)}$ . Since  $((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0)$  is a  $\mu^{(i-1,i)}_{|f|^p}$  - null set (by hypothesis), then  $\langle \mu^{(i-1,i)}_{|f|^p}(\Pi_{i=1}G_{i-1}^{i}), z' \rangle^{1\setminus p} = 0$ . Since f(x) > 0 for each  $(x_{i-1}, x_i) \in \Pi_{i=1}E_{i-1}^{i}$ , then  $\langle \mu^{(i-1,i)}_{|f|^p}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{i-1}^{i}), z' \rangle^{1\setminus p} = 0$  and  $f(x_{i-1}, x_i) < 0$  for each  $(x_{i-1}, x_i) \in \Pi_{i=1}F_{i-1}^{i}$  implies that  $\langle \mu^{(i-1,i)}_{|f|^p}(\Pi_{i=1}F_{i-1}^{i}), z' \rangle^{1\setminus p} = 0$ .

It follows that

$$\Pi_{i=1}G_{i-1}^{i} = ((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f(x_{i-1}, x_i) > 0) \cup ((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f(x_{i-1}, x_i) < 0)$$
 is a  $\mu_{|f|^p}^{(i-1,i)}$  - null set

Therefore

f = 0 on the complement of  $\prod_{i=1} G_{i-1}^i = ((x_{i-1}, x_i) : f(x_{i-1}, x_i) \neq 0)$ 

#### Corollary 1

Let  $(f_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of monotonically increasing *p*-integrable functions such that  $\langle \mu_{|f_n|^p}^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{i-1}^i), z' \rangle^{1/p}$  is bounded for each *n*. Let  $\Pi_{i=1}E_{ni-1}^i$  be monotonically increasing to  $\Pi_{i=1}E_{i-1}^i$  where  $\mu^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{ni-1}^i) < \infty$  for all *n* and  $\Pi_{i=1}E_{i-1}^i = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \Pi_{i=1}E_{ni-1}^i$ . If  $\Pi_{i=1}E_{ni-1}^i = ((x_{i-1},x_i):f_n(x_{i-1},x_i) \geq M)$  for M > 0, then  $\Pi_{i=1}E_{i-1}^i$  is a  $\langle \mu^{(i-1,i)}(), z' > \mu$  - null set

# Proof

Since  $< \mu_{|f_n|^p}^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{i-1}^i), z' >^{1\backslash p}$  is bounded for each n, then  $< \mu_{|f_n|^p}^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{i-1}^i), z' >^{1\backslash p} \le \beta$  for  $\beta > 0$ .

From the hypothesis,  $M \leq f_n(x_{i-1}, x_i)$  on  $\prod_{i=1} E_{n_i-1}^i$ . Therefore,

$$M < \mu^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{ni-1}^{i}), z' > \leq < \mu_{|f_n|^p}^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{ni-1}^{i}), z' >^{1 \setminus p}$$

Since  $\prod_{i=1} E_{ni-1}^{i}$  is monotonically increasing to  $\prod_{i=1} E_{i-1}^{i}$ , it follows that

 $\Pi_{i=1} E_{n\,i-1}{}^i \uparrow \Pi_{i=1} E_{i-1}^i \text{ (Otanga and Oduor [6])}$ 

### Therefore,

$$M < \mu^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{n\,i-1}{}^i), z' > \le < \mu^{(i-1,i)}_{|f_n|^p}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{n\,i-1}{}^i), z' >^{1\backslash p} \le \beta \text{ for } \beta > 0.$$

$$\begin{split} &LUB < \mu^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{ni-1}{}^{i}), z' > = < \mu^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{i-1}^{i}), z' >. \\ &\text{Subsequently,} \\ &< \mu^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{ni-1}{}^{i}), z' > \leq \beta \\ &\text{From } \Pi_{i=1}E_{i-1}^{i} = \cap_{n=1}^{\infty}\Pi_{i=1}E_{ni-1}{}^{i}, \text{ we have } \Pi_{i=1}E_{ni-1}{}^{i} \downarrow \Pi_{i=1}E_{i-1}^{i}. \\ &\text{This implies that } \Pi_{i=1}E_{i-1}^{i} \subset \Pi_{i=1}E_{ni-1}{}^{i} \text{ for } i = 1, 2, ...n \\ &\text{Hence,} \\ &< \mu^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{i-1}^{i}), z' > \leq \beta \setminus M \\ &\text{Taking } M \to \infty, \text{ we obtain} \\ &< \mu^{(i-1,i)}(\Pi_{i=1}E_{i-1}^{i}), z' > = 0 \end{split}$$

# 4 Conclusion

The results obtained in this paper demonstrate utility of concepts of vector measure duality, continuity from below of a measure and monotonicity of a vector measure in integrating functions in  $L_P(\mu^{(i-1,i)})$  for 0

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