

A list of statements/theorems that you should be able to prove, together with the main idea of the proof for some of them.

1. Let A, A_k be elementary subsets of $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$, such that

$$A \subset \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k.$$

Then

$$\tilde{m}(A) \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \tilde{m}(A_k).$$

[Replace A by a slightly smaller closed set, and enlarge each A_k a bit to get open sets. Then use compactness of the new A to reduce to a finite union.]

2. For every $A \subset [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ we have $\mu_*(A) \leq \mu^*(A)$.
[Otherwise we would have $\mu^(A) + \mu^*(E \setminus A) < 1$, where $E = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$, and we could get too small a cover of E , contradicting the previous theorem.]*
3. Suppose that $A, A_k \subset [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$, and $A \subset \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k$. Then

$$\mu^*(A) \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mu^*(A_k).$$

[By definition of μ^ each A_k can be covered by rectangles whose areas sum to slightly more than $\mu^*(A_k)$. The collection of all these rectangles cover A , giving an upper bound on $\mu^*(A)$.]*

4. If $A \subset [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ is an elementary set, then A is measurable and $\mu(A) = \tilde{m}(A)$.
[$\tilde{m}(A) \leq \mu^(A)$ follows from first theorem, and $\mu^*(A) \leq \tilde{m}(A)$ follows from writing A as a disjoint union of rectangles. Apply the same also to the complement of A .]*
5. The union, intersection, difference and symmetric difference of two measurable subsets of $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ is measurable.
[Use the fact that A is measurable if and only if for every $\epsilon > 0$ there is an elementary set B such that $\mu^(A \triangle B) < \epsilon$.]*
6. Suppose that A_1, A_2 are disjoint measurable subsets of $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$. Then $\mu(A_1 \cup A_2) = \mu(A_1) + \mu(A_2)$.
[Approximate A_1 and A_2 with elementary sets, and use the additivity of \tilde{m} . Note that the approximating sets may not be disjoint.]
7. The union of a countable collection of measurable sets is measurable.
[It's enough to do this for disjoint unions. Approximate the countable union with a finite union, and approximate the finite union with an elementary set.]
8. If $A = \bigcup_k A_k$ is a disjoint union of a countable collection of measurable sets, then

$$\mu(A) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_k).$$

[We know that $\mu(A) \leq \sum \mu(A_k)$. For the converse inequality use finite additivity.]

9. Let $f_n : X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be measurable, such that the limit $f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x)$ exists for all x . Then f is measurable.
[Express $f^{-1}(-\infty, c)$ in terms of sets of the form $f_n^{-1}(-\infty, d)$ using countably many unions / intersections]
10. If $f : X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ is measurable, and $g : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ is continuous, then $g \circ f$ is measurable.
11. A function $f : X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ is measurable if and only if f is a uniform limit of simple functions.
[For any $k > 1$ define a simple function $g : X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ by letting $g(x) = \frac{m}{k}$ if $\frac{m}{k} \leq f(x) < \frac{m+1}{k}$ for an integer m . Then g is simple, and $|f - g| \leq \frac{1}{k}$]
12. Suppose $f, g : X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ are measurable and $c \in \mathbf{R}$. Then $f + g, cf, fg, f/g$ are measurable if g is nowhere vanishing in the case of f/g .
13. Let $f, g : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be continuous such that $f(x) = g(x)$ for almost every x (with respect to Lebesgue measure). Then $f(x) = g(x)$ for all x .
14. (Egorov's theorem) Let $f_n : X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a sequence of measurable functions, converging almost everywhere to $f : X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$. For any $\delta > 0$ there exists a set $Y \subset X$ such that $\mu(X \setminus Y) < \delta$ and $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on Y .
[For $m, n > 0$ let E_n^m be the set of x such that $|f_i(x) - f(x)| < 1/m$ for all $i > n$. For almost every x we have $x \in \bigcup_n E_n^m$. Use this to show that there is an N_m such that $\mu(E_{N_m}^m) > \mu(X) - 2^{-m}\delta$. Finally define $Y = \bigcap_m E_{N_m}^m$.]
15. Suppose that $\phi : A \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ is integrable and $f : A \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ satisfies $|f(x)| \leq \phi(x)$ for all $x \in A$. Then f is integrable and

$$\left| \int_A f(x) \mu \right| \leq \int_A \phi(x) \mu.$$

[First assume that f, ϕ are simple functions. Then use approximation to extend to the general case.]

16. (Chebyshev's inequality) If $f : A \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ is integrable and $f(x) \geq 0$ for all $x \in A$, then

$$\mu\{x; x \in A, f(x) \geq c\} \leq \frac{1}{c} \int_A f(x) d\mu,$$

for all $c > 0$.

[Split the integral over A into two parts, over the sets where $f \geq c$ and where $f < c$.]

17. Let $f : A \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be integrable. For any $\epsilon > 0$ there is a $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\left| \int_E f(x) d\mu \right| \leq \epsilon,$$

whenever $E \subset A$ satisfies $\mu(E) < \delta$.

[First find an N such that the integral of $|f|$ on the set where $|f| > N$ is at most $\epsilon/2$. Then the integral of $|f|$ on a set E will be at most $\epsilon/2 + N\mu(E)$.]

18. (Bounded convergence theorem) Let $f_n \rightarrow f$ almost everywhere on A , and let $\phi : A \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be an integrable function such that $|f_n(x)| \leq \phi(x)$ for almost every $x \in A$. Then f is integrable, and

$$\int_A f(x) d\mu = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_A f_n(x) d\mu.$$

[By Egorov's theorem $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly outside of a small set $C \subset A$. If C has sufficiently small measure, then we can make the integral of ϕ on C as small as needed.]

19. (Monotone convergence theorem) Suppose that $f_1(x) \leq f_2(x) \leq \dots$ for all $x \in A$, each f_n is integrable, and

$$\int_A f_n d\mu \leq M,$$

for some constant M . Then $f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x)$ is defined almost everywhere on A , f is integrable, and

$$\int_A f d\mu = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_A f_n d\mu.$$

[First show that for almost every x the sequence $f_n(x)$ is bounded, by looking at the measure of the set of x for which $f_n(x) > C$ for large C . Now you can define $f(x)$ almost everywhere. To control its integral, find a simple function bigger than f , and show that it's integrable, then apply the bounded convergence theorem.]

20. (Fatou's theorem) Let $f_n \geq 0$ be integrable on A , such that for some $M > 0$ we have

$$\int_A f_n d\mu \leq M,$$

and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = f(x)$ for almost every $x \in A$. Then f is integrable, and

$$\int_A f d\mu \leq M.$$

[Let $\phi_n = \inf_{k \geq n} f_k$, and apply the monotone convergence theorem to ϕ_n .]

21. The space $L^1(X, \mu)$ is complete.

[If f_n is a Cauchy sequence in L^1 , then a subsequence f_{n_k} satisfies $\|f_{n_{k+1}} - f_{n_k}\|_1 < 2^{-k}$. Construct the limit of this subsequence as a telescoping sum, and use the monotone convergence theorem to give the existence of the limit.]

22. The space $L^2(X, \mu)$ is complete.

[Show that a Cauchy sequence in L^2 is also a Cauchy sequence in L^1 , and then use the completeness of L^1 .]

23. (Lusin's Theorem) Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be measurable, with respect to the Lebesgue measure. For every $\epsilon > 0$ there is a set $E \subset [a, b]$ with $\mu([a, b] \setminus E) < \epsilon$ such that the restriction of f to E is continuous.

[Use the density of continuous functions in L^1 together with Egorov's theorem]

24. (Riesz representation theorem) For every bounded linear functional $f : H \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ on a Hilbert space H , there is an element $y \in H$ such that

$$f(x) = \langle x, y \rangle, \text{ for all } x \in H.$$

[Let $y = \|\tilde{y}\|^{-2}\tilde{y}$, where \tilde{y} is the closest point to the origin in $f^{-1}(0)$.]

25. If $A : E \rightarrow F$ is a bounded linear operator between Banach spaces, then the adjoint A^* is bounded, and $\|A^*\| = \|A\|$.

[To get a lower bound on $\|A^*\|$, you need to use the Hahn-Banach theorem to write $\|Ax\| = |g(Ax)|$ for some $g \in F^*$.]

26. The set of invertible elements in a Banach algebra with unit is open.

[Use that if $\|a\| < 1$, then $e - a$ is invertible.]

27. Any maximal ideal in a Banach algebra with unit is closed.

[Use the fact that the invertible elements form an open set to show that the closure of a proper ideal is closed.]

28. If $a \in A$ is an element in a Banach algebra with unit, then the spectral radius $\nu(a)$ satisfies $\nu(a) \leq \|a\|$.

[Use that $e - x$ is invertible if $\|x\| < 1$.]

29. If A is a Banach algebra where every non-zero element is invertible, then $A \cong \mathbf{C}$.

[The spectrum of every element is non-empty.]

30. If $a \in A$ is normal in a C^* -algebra A , then $\nu(a) = \|a\|$.

[Use the spectral radius formula.]

31. If A is a commutative Banach algebra with unit, then there is a bijection between maximal ideals of A and non-zero homomorphisms $A \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$.

[The bijection is given by identifying a homomorphism with its kernel.]

32. For a commutative Banach algebra A with unit, the spectrum $\sigma(a)$ of any element is the range of its Gelfand transform \hat{a} .

[Use that an element $x \in A$ is invertible if and only if $\phi(x) \neq 0$ for all non-zero homomorphisms ϕ .]