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continuation of the proof of the fundamental theorem  
of calculus for  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$ ...

$$\text{let } A := \left\{ x \mid \overline{\lim}_{y \rightarrow x} \left| \frac{F(y) - F(x)}{y - x} - f(x) \right| > 0 \right\}$$

If we prove that  $m(A) = 0$  then we've proven that  
 $F'(x)$  exists and equals  $f(x)$  for almost all  $x$ .

$$\text{let } A_\delta := \left\{ x \mid \overline{\lim}_{y \rightarrow x} \left| \frac{F(y) - F(x)}{y - x} - f(x) \right| > \delta \right\}.$$

$$\forall \delta_n = 1/n \text{ then } A_{\delta_1} \supseteq A_{\delta_2} \supseteq A_{\delta_3} \supseteq \dots$$

$$\text{and } A = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_{\delta_n} \Rightarrow m(A) = m\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_{\delta_n}\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m(A_{\delta_n}).$$

We will prove that given  $\varepsilon > 0 \exists M$  (indep of  $\varepsilon$  &  $\delta$ )

so that  $m(A_\delta) \leq M\varepsilon$  for all  $\delta$ . It would

then follow that  $m(A) \leq M\varepsilon$ . Since  $\varepsilon$  is

arbitrary, this inequality holds for all  $\varepsilon \Rightarrow m(A) = 0$

as desired.

Fix  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $\delta > 0$ .

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Choose  $g \in C(\mathbb{R})$  so that  $\|f - g\|_1 < \varepsilon \delta$

Let  $G(x) := \int_a^x g(y) dy$ . Given  $y \neq x$  let  $I$  be the closed interval with endpoints  $x$  &  $y$ .

$$\text{if } x < y \text{ then } I = [x, y] \text{ and } \frac{F(y) - F(x)}{y - x} = \frac{1}{|I|} \int_{[x, y]} |f| = \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I f$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{F(y) - F(x)}{y - x} - f(x) \right| &\leq \frac{1}{|I|} \left| \int_I f - g \right| + \left| \frac{G(y) - G(x)}{y - x} - g(x) \right| + |g(x) - f(x)| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I |f - g| + \left| \frac{G(y) - G(x)}{y - x} - g(x) \right| + |g(x) - f(x)| \end{aligned}$$

$$h := f - g \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$$

The Hardy-Littlewood function  $h^*(x)$  is defined via open intervals. Introducing  $I_n = (x - \frac{1}{n}, x + \frac{1}{n})$  we can use the

Lebesgue Dominated Convergence theorem to show that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{|I_n|} \int_{I_n} |h| = \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I |h| \quad \text{Since } \frac{1}{|I_n|} \int_{I_n} |h| \leq h^*(x), \text{ it follows}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I |f - g| \leq h^*(x)$$

If  $x > y$ , the same argument with  $I = [y, x]$  leads to

$$\left| \frac{F(x) - F(y)}{x - y} - f(x) \right| \leq h^*(x).$$

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Hence

$$\left| \frac{F(y) - F(x)}{y - x} - f(x) \right| \leq h^*(x) + \left| \frac{G(y) - G(x)}{y - x} - g(x) \right| + |h(x)|$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{y \rightarrow x} \left| \frac{F(y) - F(x)}{y - x} - f(x) \right| &\leq h^*(x) + \lim_{y \rightarrow x} \left| \frac{G(y) - G(x)}{y - x} - g(x) \right| + |h(x)| \\ &= h^*(x) + |h(x)| \end{aligned}$$

Above, we used that the lim of a sum is less than or equal to the sum of the lim. We also used that  $h^*(x)$  and  $|h(x)|$  are indep of  $y$ . And that  $G'$  exists and equals  $g$ .

If  $a \leq b + c$  and  $b \leq \delta/2$  &  $c \leq \delta/2$  then  $a \leq \delta$

Hence if  $a > \delta$  then either  $b > \delta/2$  or  $c > \delta/2$ .

$$\text{Hence } A_\delta \subseteq \{h^* > \delta/2\} \cup \{|h| > \delta/2\}$$

$$\Rightarrow m(A_\delta) \leq m(\{h^* > \delta/2\}) + m(\{|h| > \delta/2\})$$

by the Hardy-Littlewood inequality,  $m(\{h^* > \delta/2\}) \leq \frac{5}{\delta/2} \|h\|_1 = \frac{10}{\delta} \|h\|_1$

$$\text{Also, } 0 \leq \frac{\delta}{2} m(\{|h| > \frac{\delta}{2}\}) \leq \int_{|h| > \frac{\delta}{2}} |h| \leq \int |h| = \|h\|_1$$

$$\Rightarrow m(\{|h| > \frac{\delta}{2}\}) \leq \frac{2}{\delta} \|h\|_1$$

Hence  $m(A_\delta) \leq \frac{10}{\delta} \|h\|_1 + \frac{2}{\delta} \|h_+\|_1 < \frac{12}{\delta} (\varepsilon\delta) = 12\varepsilon$

Since  $\|h\|_1 = \|f - g\|_1 < \varepsilon\delta$  by our choice of  $g$ .

We've now shown that  $m(A_\delta) \leq 12\varepsilon$  independent of  $\delta$ , as desired. //

We now prove the Hardy-Littlewood inequality using the following covering lemma from geometric measure theory.

Lemma: Suppose  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is measurable and  $E$  is the union of a family of open intervals of length  $\leq c < \infty$ . Then there exists a finite or countable subcollection of pairwise disjoint intervals  $I_1, I_2, \dots$  in the family such that

$$m(E) \leq 5 \sum |I_i|$$

proof of Hardy-Littlewood Inequality:

$$E_\lambda := \{h^* > \lambda\}.$$

Let  $x \in E_\lambda$ . Then  $\exists$  open interval  $I_x$  containing  $x$  such that  $\frac{1}{|I_x|} \int_{I_x} |h| > \lambda \Rightarrow |I_x| < \frac{1}{\lambda} \|h\|_1 =: C < \infty.$

Note that if  $y \in I_x$  then  $h^*(y) > \lambda$  too.

Hence  $I_x \subseteq E_\lambda$ . We now take the union over all  $x$  in  $E_\lambda$ . Hence

$$\bigcup_x I_x \subseteq E_\lambda \subseteq \bigcup_x I_x \Rightarrow E_\lambda = \bigcup_x I_x.$$

We have now proven that  $E_\lambda$  is the union of a family of open intervals each of whose length is  $\leq$  a finite constant  $C$ .

By the covering lemma, there's a finite or countable subcollection that also covers  $E_\lambda$ .

$$\text{such that } m(E_\lambda) \leq 5 \sum |I_{x_i}|$$

$$\leq \frac{5}{\lambda} \sum \int_{I_{x_i}} |h| \stackrel{\textcircled{*}}{=} \frac{5}{\lambda} \int_{\bigcup I_{x_i}} |h| \leq \frac{5}{\lambda} \|h\|_1.$$

$\textcircled{*}$  used the mutual disjointness of the subcollection.