

continuity and discontinuity of $\alpha(x)$ and as such
that $\alpha(x) - \alpha(a) = \alpha_1(x) - \alpha_2(x)$

$$V_\alpha(x) = \alpha_1(x) + \alpha_2(x), \quad a < x < b$$

Proof:- We define α_1 and α_2 as follows

$$\alpha_1(x) = \frac{1}{2} [V_\alpha(x) + \alpha(x) - \alpha(a)] \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\alpha_2(x) = \frac{1}{2} [V_\alpha(x) - \alpha(x) + \alpha(a)] \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

Also, we know that, $|\alpha(x) - \alpha(a)| \leq V_\alpha(x)$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \alpha(x) - \alpha(a) \leq V_\alpha(x) \\ \text{and } \alpha(a) - \alpha(x) \leq V_\alpha(x) \end{cases}$$

Hence, $\alpha_1(x)$ and $\alpha_2(x)$ are non-negative by condition (i) and (ii).

Since $\alpha(x)$ is of bounded variation on $[a, b]$

$\Rightarrow \alpha(x)$ is bounded and $V_\alpha(x)$ exists.

$\Rightarrow \alpha(x), V_\alpha(x)$ both bounded.

$\therefore \alpha_1(x)$ is bounded by condition (i) and $\alpha_2(x)$ is bounded by condition (ii).

When $x = a$

$$\text{then } \alpha_1(a) = \frac{1}{2} [V_\alpha(a) + \alpha(a) - \alpha(a)] \\ = 0 \quad \because V_\alpha(a) = 0$$

Similarly, $\alpha_2(a) = 0$

$\therefore \alpha_1(x)$ and $\alpha_2(x)$ vanish at $x = a$

Moreover, $\alpha(x)$ is discontinuous or continuous

$\Rightarrow \alpha_1(x)$ and $\alpha_2(x)$ both are discontinuous or

Hence, $\alpha_1(x)$ and $\alpha_2(x)$ have the same point of continuity and discontinuity as $\alpha(x)$

Next,

$$\alpha_1(x) - \alpha_2(x) = \frac{1}{2} [V_\alpha(x) + \alpha(x) - \alpha(a) - V_\alpha(x) + \alpha(x) - \alpha(a)]$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1(x) - \alpha_2(x) = \alpha(x) - \alpha(a)$$

$$\text{and } \alpha_1(x) + \alpha_2(x) = \frac{1}{2} \times 2 V_\alpha(x) = V_\alpha(x)$$

Lastly, we are left to prove $d_1(x)$ and $d_2(x)$ are non-decreasing

Taking $a \leq x < y \leq b$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore d_1(y) - d_1(x) &= \frac{1}{2} [V_a(y) + \alpha(y) - \alpha(b) - V_a(x) - \alpha(x) + \alpha(b)] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [V_a(x) + V([x,y], \alpha) + \alpha(y) - V_a(x) - \alpha(x)] \end{aligned}$$

$\because (V([a,y], \alpha) = V([a,x], \alpha) + V([x,y], \alpha), \text{ if } a \leq x < y \leq b)$

$$\Rightarrow d_1(y) - d_1(x) = \frac{1}{2} [V([x,y], \alpha) + \alpha(y) - \alpha(x)]$$

Similarly

$$d_2(y) - d_2(x) = \frac{1}{2} [V([x,y], \alpha) - \alpha(y) + \alpha(x)]$$

Since, $|\alpha(y) - \alpha(x)| \leq V([x,y], \alpha)$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha(y) - \alpha(x) \leq V([x,y], \alpha)$$

$$\text{and } \alpha(x) - \alpha(y) \leq V([x,y], \alpha)$$

\therefore from above we see

$$d_1(y) - d_1(x) \geq 0 \quad \text{when } y > x$$

$$\text{and } d_2(y) - d_2(x) \geq 0$$

$\therefore d_1(x)$ and $d_2(x)$ are non-decreasing on $[a, b]$

Remark:

$$\alpha(x) - \alpha(a) = d_1(x) - d_2(x)$$

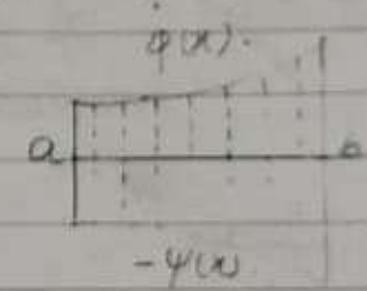
$$\Rightarrow \alpha(x) = [d_1(x) + \alpha(a)] - d_2(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha(x) = \phi(x) - \psi(x)$$

where $\phi(x) = d_1(x) + \alpha(a)$ & $\psi(x) = d_2(x)$

Also, $d_1(x), d_2(x)$ are non-negative, non-decreasing

$\Rightarrow \phi(x), \psi(x)$ are so



\therefore Hence, a funct. $\alpha(x)$ of bounded variation on $[a, b]$ can always be represented into the form $\alpha(x) = \phi(x) - \psi(x)$ where ϕ, ψ are non-decreasing and non-negative

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Imp Theorem (●)

If $d_1(x)$ and $d_2(x)$ are monotonic and bounded in $[a, b]$ and if $\alpha(x) = d_1(x)$ and $d_2(x)$, then $V_\alpha(x) = |d_1(x) - d_1(a)| + |d_2(x) - d_2(a)|$.

Proof: Since $d_1(x)$ and $d_2(x)$ are monotonic and bounded in $[a, b]$

$$\Rightarrow V_{d_1}(x) = |d_1(x) - d_1(a)| \quad [\text{by theorem's}]$$

$$\text{and } V_{d_2}(x) = |d_2(x) - d_2(a)|$$

$$\therefore V_{d_1}(x) + V_{d_2}(x) = |d_1(x) - d_1(a)| + |d_2(x) - d_2(a)|$$

$$\because \alpha(x) = d_1(x) \Rightarrow V_\alpha(x) = V_{d_1}(x)$$

$$\text{and } \alpha(x) = d_2(x) \Rightarrow V_\alpha(x) = V_{d_2}(x)$$

$$\therefore V_\alpha(x) + V_\alpha(x) = |d_1(x) - d_1(a)| + |d_2(x) - d_2(a)|$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 V_\alpha(x) = |d_1(x) - d_1(a)| + |d_2(x) - d_2(a)|$$

$$\Rightarrow V_\alpha(x) \leq 2 V_\alpha(x) = |d_1(x) - d_1(a)| + |d_2(x) - d_2(a)|$$

Existence Theorem 4(a):

If $f(x)$ is continuous and $\alpha(x)$ is of bounded variation in $[a, b]$, then the Stieltjes integral of $f(x)$ wrt. $\alpha(x)$ from a to b exists.

Proof:-

Given, $f(x)$ is continuous and $\alpha(x)$ is of bounded variation in $[a, b]$

To prove Stieltjes integral of $f(x)$ wrt. from a to b exists i.e. $\int_a^b f(x) d\alpha(x)$ exists

Let us assume that $f(x)$ and $\alpha(x)$ are real functions.

As, $\alpha(x)$ is of bounded variation in $[a, b]$, we