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*Abstract.* In the present paper we are concerned with convergence in  $\mu$ -density and  $\mu$ -statistical convergence of sequences of functions defined on a subset  $D$  of real numbers, where  $\mu$  is a finitely additive measure. Particularly, we introduce the concepts of  $\mu$ -statistical uniform convergence and  $\mu$ -statistical pointwise convergence, and observe that  $\mu$ -statistical uniform convergence inherits the basic properties of uniform convergence.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Steinhaus [19] introduced the idea of statistical convergence (see also Fast [10]). If  $K$  is a subset of  $\mathbb{N}$ , the set of natural numbers, then the asymptotic density of  $K$ , denoted by  $\delta(K)$ , is given by

$$\delta(K) := \lim_n \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : k \in K\}|$$

whenever the limit exists, where  $|B|$  denotes the cardinality of the set  $B$ . A sequence  $x = (x_k)$  of numbers is statistically convergent to  $L$  if

$$\delta(\{k : |x_k - L| \geq \varepsilon\}) = 0$$

for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ . In this case we write  $\text{st-lim } x = L$  or  $x_k \rightarrow L$  (stat). Note that convergent sequences are statistically convergent but not conversely ([2], [11]).

Statistical convergence has been investigated in a number of recent papers [2], [6], [11], [12], [13], [14], [18]. Some generalizations of statistical convergence have

appeared in the study of locally convex spaces [16], strong integral summability [5], finitely additive set functions [6]. It is also connected with subsets of the Stone-Čech compactification of the set of natural numbers [7], [9]. Some results on characterizing Banach spaces with separable duals via statistical convergence may be found in [8]. This notion of convergence is also considered in measure theory [17] and trigonometric series [21].

Connor [3] gave an extension of the notion of statistical convergence where the asymptotic density is replaced by a finitely additive set function. Through the present paper, let  $\mu$  be a finitely additive set function taking values in  $[0, 1]$  defined on a field  $\Gamma$  of subsets of  $\mathbb{N}$  such that if  $|A| < \infty$ , then  $\mu(A) = 0$ ; if  $A \subset B$  and  $\mu(B) = 0$ , then  $\mu(A) = 0$ ;  $\mu(\mathbb{N}) = 1$ . Such a set function satisfying the above criteria will be called a measure. Following Connor [3], [4] we say that:

- (i)  $x$  is  $\mu$ -density convergent to  $L$  if there is an  $A \in \Gamma$  such that  $(x - L)\chi_A$  is a null sequence and  $\mu(A) = 1$ , where  $\chi_A$  is the characteristic function of  $A$ .
- (ii)  $x$  is  $\mu$ -statistically convergent to  $L$ , and write  $\text{st}_\mu\text{-lim } x = L$ , provided  $\mu(\{k: |x_k - L| \geq \varepsilon\}) = 0$  for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

If  $T = (t_{nk})$  is a nonnegative regular summability method, then  $T$  can be used to generate a measure as follows: for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , set  $\mu_n(A) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} t_{nk}\chi_A(k)$  for each  $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $\Gamma := \{A \subseteq \mathbb{N}: \lim_n \mu_n(A) = 0 \text{ or } \lim_n \mu_n(A) = 1\}$ . Define  $\mu_T: \Gamma \rightarrow [0, 1]$  by

$$\mu_T(A) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_n(A) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} t_{nk}\chi_A(k).$$

Then  $\mu_T$  and  $\Gamma$  satisfy the requirements of the preceding definitions. If  $T$  is the Cesàro matrix of order one, then  $\mu_T$ -statistical convergence is equivalent to statistical convergence.

It is known (Connor [3]) that (i) implies (ii), but not conversely. These two definitions are equivalent ([3], [4]) if  $\mu$  has the so-called additive property for null sets: if, given a collections of null sets  $\{A_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \subseteq \Gamma$ , there exists a collection  $\{B_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \subseteq \Gamma$  with the properties  $|A_i \triangle B_i| < \infty$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $B = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} B_i \in \Gamma$ , and  $\mu(B) = 0$ .

In the present paper we are concerned with convergence in  $\mu$ -density and  $\mu$ -statistical convergence of sequences of functions defined on a subset  $D$  of  $\mathbb{R}$ , the set of real numbers. Particularly, we introduce the concepts of  $\mu$ -statistical uniform convergence and  $\mu$ -statistical pointwise convergence, and observe that  $\mu$ -statistical uniform convergence inherits the basic properties of uniform convergence.

2.  $\mu$ -STATISTICALLY AND  $\mu$ -DENSITY CONVERGENT FUNCTION SEQUENCES

Let  $D \subset \mathbb{R}$  and let  $(f_n)$  be a sequence of real functions on  $D$ .

**Definition 2.1.**  $(f_n)$  converges  $\mu$ -density pointwise to  $f \Leftrightarrow \forall \varepsilon > 0$  and  $\forall x \in D$ ,  $\exists K_x \in \Gamma$ ,  $\mu(K_x) = 1$  and  $\exists n_0 = n_0(\varepsilon, x) \in K_x \ni \forall n \geq n_0$  and  $n \in K_x$ ,  $|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \varepsilon$ .

In this case we will write  $f_n \rightarrow f$  ( $\mu$ -density) on  $D$ .

**Definition 2.2.**  $(f_n)$  converges  $\mu$ -density uniform to  $f \Leftrightarrow \forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists K \in \Gamma$ ,  $\mu(K) = 1$  and  $\exists n_0 = n_0(\varepsilon) \in K \ni \forall n \geq n_0$  and  $n \in K$  and  $\forall x \in D$ ,  $|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \varepsilon$ .

In this case we will write  $f_n \rightrightarrows f$  ( $\mu$ -density) on  $D$ .

**Definition 2.3.**  $(f_n)$  converges  $\mu$ -statistically pointwise to  $f \Leftrightarrow \forall \varepsilon > 0$  and  $\forall x \in D$ ,  $\mu(\{n: |f_n(x) - f(x)| \geq \varepsilon\}) = 0$ .

In this case we will write  $f_n \rightarrow f$  ( $\mu$ -stat) on  $D$ . We note that this definition includes the definition given in [20].

**Definition 2.4.** The sequence  $(f_n)$  of bounded functions on  $D$  converges  $\mu$ -statistically uniformly to  $f \Leftrightarrow \text{st}_\mu\text{-lim} \|f_n - f\|_B = 0$ , where the norm  $\|\cdot\|_B$  is the usual supremum norm on  $B(D)$ , the space of bounded functions on  $D$ .

In this case we will write  $f_n \rightrightarrows f$  ( $\mu$ -stat) on  $D$ . Observe that  $f_n \rightrightarrows f$  ( $\mu$ -stat) on  $D$  if and only if  $\text{st}_\mu\text{-lim} \left( \sup_{x \in D} |f_n(x) - f(x)| \right) = 0$ .

As in the ordinary case the property of Definition 2.1 implies that of Definition 2.3; and, of course for bounded functions, the property of Definition 2.2 implies that of Definition 2.4. If  $\mu$  has the additive property for null sets, then Definitions 2.1 and 2.3 are equivalent, and Definitions 2.2 and 2.4 are equivalent.

The next result is a  $\mu$ -statistical analogue of a well-known result.

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let all functions  $f_n$  be continuous on  $D$ . If  $f_n \rightrightarrows f$  ( $\mu$ -density) on  $D$ , then  $f$  is continuous on  $D$ .*

*Proof.* Assume  $f_n \rightrightarrows f$  ( $\mu$ -density) on  $D$ . Then, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a set  $K \in \Gamma$  of measure 1 and  $n_0 = n_0(\varepsilon) \in K$  such that  $|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \varepsilon/3$  for each  $x \in D$  and for all  $n \geq n_0$  and  $n \in K$ . Let  $x_0 \in D$ . Since  $f_{n_0}$  is continuous at  $x_0 \in D$ , there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|x - x_0| < \delta$  implies  $|f_{n_0}(x) - f_{n_0}(x_0)| < \varepsilon/3$  for each  $x \in D$ . Now for all  $x \in D$  for which  $|x - x_0| < \delta$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x) - f(x_0)| &\leq |f(x) - f_{n_0}(x)| + |f_{n_0}(x) - f_{n_0}(x_0)| \\ &\quad + |f_{n_0}(x_0) - f(x_0)| < \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $x_0 \in D$  is arbitrary,  $f$  is continuous on  $D$ . □

Now Theorem 2.1 yields immediately the following

**Corollary 2.2.** *Let all functions  $f_n$  be continuous on a compact subset  $D$  of  $\mathbb{R}$ , and let  $\mu$  be a measure with the additive property for null sets. If  $f_n \rightrightarrows f$  ( $\mu$ -stat) on  $D$ , then  $f$  is continuous on  $D$ .*

The next example shows that neither of the converses of Theorem 2.1 and Corollary 2.2 are true.

**Example 2.1.** Let  $\mu(K) = 1$ . Define  $f_n: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$f_n(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & n \notin K, \\ \frac{2nx}{1+n^2x^2}, & n \in K. \end{cases}$$

Then we have  $f_n \rightarrow f = 0$  ( $\mu$ -density) on  $[0, 1]$ . Hence we get  $f_n \rightarrow f = 0$  ( $\mu$ -stat) on  $[0, 1]$ . Though all  $f_n$  and  $f$  are continuous on  $[0, 1]$ , it follows from Definition 2.4 that the  $\mu$ -statistical convergence of  $(f_n)$  is not uniform for

$$c_n := \max_{0 \leq x \leq 1} |f_n(x) - f(x)| = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \text{st}_\mu\text{-lim } c_n = 1 \neq 0.$$

The following result is an analogue of Dini's theorem.

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $\mu$  be a measure with the additive property for null sets. Let  $D$  be a compact subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  and let  $(f_n)$  be a sequence of continuous functions on  $D$ . Assume that  $f$  is continuous and  $f_n \rightarrow f$  ( $\mu$ -stat) on  $D$ . Also, let  $(f_n)$  be monotonic decreasing on  $D$ ; i.e.  $f_n(x) \geq f_{n+1}(x)$  ( $n = 1, 2, \dots$ ) for every  $x \in D$ . Then  $f_n \rightrightarrows f$  ( $\mu$ -stat) on  $D$ .*

**Proof.** Write  $g_n(x) := f_n(x) - f(x)$ . By hypothesis, each  $g_n$  is continuous and  $g_n \rightarrow 0$  ( $\mu$ -stat) on  $D$ , also  $(g_n)$  is a monotonic decreasing sequence on  $D$ . Now, since  $g_n \rightarrow 0$  ( $\mu$ -stat) on  $D$  and  $\mu$  has the additive property for null sets,  $g_n \rightarrow 0$  ( $\mu$ -density) on  $D$ . Hence for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  and each  $x \in D$  there exists  $K_x \in \Gamma$  of measure 1 and a number  $n(x) := n(\varepsilon, x) \in K_x$  such that  $0 \leq g_n(x) < \varepsilon/2$  for all  $n \geq n(x)$  and  $n \in K_x$ . Since  $g_{n(x)}$  is continuous at  $x \in D$ , for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is an open set  $J(x)$  which contains  $x$  such that  $|g_{n(x)}(t) - g_{n(x)}(x)| < \varepsilon/2$  for all  $t \in J(x)$ . Hence given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , by monotonicity we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq g_n(t) &\leq g_{n(x)}(t) = g_{n(x)}(t) - g_{n(x)}(x) + g_{n(x)}(x) \\ &\leq |g_{n(x)}(t) - g_{n(x)}(x)| + g_{n(x)}(x) < \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

for every  $t \in J(x)$  and for all  $n \geq n(x)$  and  $n \in K_x$ . Since  $D \subset \bigcup_{x \in D} J(x)$  and  $D$  is a compact set, by the Heine-Borel theorem  $D$  has a finite open covering such that  $D \subset J(x_1) \cup J(x_2) \cup \dots \cup J(x_m)$ . Now, let  $K := K_{x_1} \cap K_{x_2} \cap \dots \cap K_{x_m}$  and  $N = \max\{n(x_1), n(x_2), \dots, n(x_m)\}$ . Observe that  $\mu(K) = 1$ . Then  $0 \leq g_n(t) < \varepsilon$  for every  $t \in D$  and for all  $n \geq N$  and  $n \in K$ . So  $g_n \rightrightarrows 0$  ( $\mu$ -density) on  $D$ . Consequently,  $g_n \rightrightarrows 0$  ( $\mu$ -stat) on  $D$ , which completes the proof.  $\square$

The following theorem is the Cauchy criterion for  $\mu$ -statistical uniform convergence.

**Theorem 2.4.** *Let  $\mu$  be a measure with the additive property for null sets, and let  $(f_n)$  be a sequence of bounded functions on  $D$ . Then  $(f_n)$  is  $\mu$ -statistically uniformly convergent on  $D$  if and only if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is an  $n(\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$  such that*

$$(2.1) \quad \mu(\{n : \|f_n - f_{n(\varepsilon)}\|_B < \varepsilon\}) = 1.$$

**Note.** The sequence  $(f_n)$  satisfying the property (2.1) is said to be  $\mu$ -statistically uniformly Cauchy on  $D$ .

**Proof.** Assume that  $(f_n)$  converges  $\mu$ -statistically uniformly to a function  $f$  defined on  $D$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Then we have  $\mu(\{n : \|f_n - f\|_B < \varepsilon/2\}) = 1$ . We can select an  $n(\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\|f_{n(\varepsilon)} - f\|_B < \varepsilon/2$ . The triangle inequality yields that  $\mu(\{n : \|f_n - f_{n(\varepsilon)}\|_B < \varepsilon\}) = 1$ . Since  $\varepsilon$  was arbitrary,  $(f_n)$  is  $\mu$ -statistically uniformly Cauchy on  $D$ .

Conversely, assume that  $(f_n)$  is  $\mu$ -statistically uniformly Cauchy on  $D$ . Let  $x \in D$  be fixed. By (2.1), for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is an  $n(\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\mu(\{n : |f_n(x) - f_{n(\varepsilon)}(x)| < \varepsilon\}) = 1$ . Hence  $\{f_n(x)\}$  is  $\mu$ -Cauchy, so by Proposition 3 of Connor [4] we have that  $\{f_n(x)\}$  converges  $\mu$ -statistically to  $f(x)$ . Then  $f_n \rightarrow f$  ( $\mu$ -stat) on  $D$ . Now we shall show that this convergence must be uniform. Note that since  $\mu$  has the additive property for null sets, by (2.1) there is a  $K \in \Gamma$  of measure 1 such that  $\|f_n - f_{n(\varepsilon)}\|_B < \varepsilon/2$  for all  $n \geq n(\varepsilon)$  and  $n \in K$ . So for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is a  $K \in \Gamma$  of measure 1 and  $n(\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$(2.2) \quad |f_n(x) - f_m(x)| < \varepsilon$$

for all  $n, m \geq n(\varepsilon)$  and  $n, m \in K$  and for each  $x \in D$ . Fixing  $n$  and applying the limit operator on  $m \in K$  in (2.2), we conclude that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is a  $K \in \Gamma$  of measure 1 and an  $n(\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \varepsilon$  for all  $n \geq n_0$  and for each  $x \in D$ . Hence  $f_n \rightrightarrows f$  ( $\mu$ -density) on  $D$ , consequently  $f_n \rightrightarrows f$  ( $\mu$ -stat) on  $D$ .  $\square$

### 3. APPLICATIONS

Using  $\mu$ -statistical uniform convergence, we can also get some applications. We merely state the following theorems and omit the proofs.

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $\mu$  be a measure with the additive property for null sets. If a function sequence  $(f_n)$  converges  $\mu$ -statistically uniformly on  $[a, b]$  to a function  $f$  and each  $f_n$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$ , then  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$ . Moreover,*

$$\text{st}_\mu\text{-lim} \int_a^b f_n(x) dx = \int_a^b \text{st}_\mu\text{-lim} f_n(x) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx.$$

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $\mu$  be a measure with the additive property for null sets. Suppose that  $(f_n)$  is a function sequence such that each  $(f_n)$  has a continuous derivative on  $[a, b]$ . If  $f_n \rightarrow f$  ( $\mu$ -stat) on  $[a, b]$  and  $f'_n \rightrightarrows g$  ( $\mu$ -stat) on  $[a, b]$ , then  $f_n \rightrightarrows f$  ( $\mu$ -stat) on  $[a, b]$ , where  $f$  is differentiable, and  $f' = g$ .*

### 4. FUNCTION SEQUENCES THAT PRESERVE $\mu$ -STATISTICAL CONVERGENCE

This section is motivated by a paper of Kolk [15]. Recall that a function sequence  $(f_n)$  is called convergence-preserving (or conservative) on  $D \subset \mathbb{R}$  if the transformed sequence  $\{f_n(x_n)\}$  converges for each convergent sequence  $x = (x_n)$  from  $D$  [15]. In this section, analogously, we describe the function sequences which preserve the  $\mu$ -statistical convergence of sequences. Our arguments also give a sequential characterization of the continuity of  $\mu$ -statistical limit functions of  $\mu$ -statistically uniformly convergent function sequences. This result is complementary to Theorem 2.1.

First we introduce the following definition.

**Definition 4.1.** Let  $D \subset \mathbb{R}$  and let  $(f_n)$  be a sequence of real functions on  $D$ . Then  $(f_n)$  is called a *function sequence preserving  $\mu$ -statistical convergence* (or  $\mu$ -statistically conservative) on  $D$  if the transformed sequence  $\{f_n(x_n)\}$  converges  $\mu$ -statistically for each  $\mu$ -statistically convergent sequence  $x = (x_n)$  from  $D$ . If  $(f_n)$  is  $\mu$ -statistically conservative and preserves the limits of all  $\mu$ -statistically convergent sequences from  $D$ , then  $(f_n)$  is called  *$\mu$ -statistically regular* on  $D$ .

Hence, if  $(f_n)$  is conservative on  $D$ , then  $(f_n)$  is  $\mu$ -statistically conservative on  $D$ . But the following example shows that the converse of this result is not true.

**Example 4.1.** Let  $K \in \Gamma$  be a set such that  $\mathbb{N} \setminus K$  is infinite and  $\mu(K) = 1$ . Define  $f_n: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$f_n(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & n \in K, \\ 1, & n \notin K. \end{cases}$$

Suppose that  $(x_n)$  from  $[0, 1]$  is an arbitrary sequence such that  $\text{st}_\mu\text{-lim } x_n = L$ . Then, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\mu(\{n: |f_n(x) - 0| \geq \varepsilon\}) = \mu(\mathbb{N} \setminus K) = 0$ . Hence  $\text{st}_\mu\text{-lim } f_n(x_n) = 0$ , so  $(f_n)$  is  $\mu$ -statistically conservative on  $[0, 1]$ . But observe that  $(f_n)$  is not conservative on  $[0, 1]$ .

Now we have

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $\mu$  be a measure with the additive property for null sets and let  $(f_k)$  be a sequence of functions defined on a closed interval  $[a, b] \subset \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $(f_k)$  is  $\mu$ -statistically conservative on  $[a, b]$  if and only if  $(f_k)$  converges  $\mu$ -statistically uniformly on  $[a, b]$  to a continuous function.

*Proof.* *Necessity.* Assume that  $(f_k)$  is  $\mu$ -statistically conservative on  $[a, b]$ . Choose the sequence  $(v_k) = (t, t, \dots)$  for each  $t \in [a, b]$ . Since  $\text{st}_\mu\text{-lim } v_k = t$ ,  $\text{st}_\mu\text{-lim } f_k(v_k)$  exists, hence  $\text{st}_\mu\text{-lim } f_k(t) = f(t)$  for all  $t \in [a, b]$ . We claim that  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ . To prove this we suppose that  $f$  is not continuous at a point  $t_0 \in [a, b]$ . Then there exists a sequence  $(u_k)$  in  $[a, b]$  such that  $\lim u_k = t_0$ , but  $\lim f(u_k)$  exists and  $\lim f(u_k) \neq f(t_0)$ . Since  $(f_k)$  is  $\mu$ -statistically pointwise convergent to  $f$  on  $[a, b]$  and  $\mu$  has the additive property for null sets, we obtain  $f_k \rightarrow f$  ( $\mu$ -density) on  $[a, b]$ . Hence, for each  $j$ ,  $\{f_k(u_j) - f(u_j)\} \rightarrow 0$  ( $\mu$ -density). It follows from Corollary 9 of Connor [4] that there exists  $\lambda: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\mu(\{\lambda(k): k \in \mathbb{N}\}) = 1$  and

$$\lim_k [f_{\lambda(k)}(u_j) - f(u_j)] = 0$$

for each  $j$ . Now, by the “diagonal process” [1, p. 192] we can choose an increasing index sequence  $(n_k)$  in such a way that  $\mu(\{n_k: k \in \mathbb{N}\}) = 1$  and  $\lim_k [f_{n_k}(u_k) - f(u_k)] = 0$ . Now define a sequence  $x = (t_i)$  by

$$t_i = \begin{cases} t_0, & i = n_k \text{ and } i \text{ is odd,} \\ u_k, & i = n_k \text{ and } i \text{ is even,} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Hence  $t_i \rightarrow t_0$  ( $\mu$ -density), which implies  $\text{st}_\mu\text{-lim } t_i = t_0$ . But if  $i = n_k$  and  $i$  is odd, then  $\lim f_{n_k}(t_0) = f(t_0)$ , and if  $i = n_k$  and  $i$  is even, then  $\lim f_{n_k}(u_k) = \lim [f_{n_k}(u_k) - f(u_k)] + \lim f(u_k) \neq f(t_0)$ . Hence  $\{f_i(t_i)\}$  is not  $\mu$ -density convergent since the

sequence  $\{f_i(t_i)\}$  has two disjoint subsequences of positive measure that converge to two different limit values. So, the sequence  $\{f_i(t_i)\}$  is not  $\mu$ -statistically convergent, which contradicts the hypothesis. Thus  $f$  must be continuous on  $[a, b]$ . It remains to prove that  $(f_k)$  converges  $\mu$ -statistically uniformly on  $[a, b]$  to  $f$ . Assume that  $(f_k)$  is not  $\mu$ -statistically uniformly convergent to  $f$  on  $[a, b]$ , then  $(f_k)$  is not  $\mu$ -density uniformly convergent to  $f$  on  $[a, b]$ . Hence, for an arbitrary index sequence  $(n_k)$  with  $\mu(\{n_k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}) = 1$ , there exists a number  $\varepsilon_0 > 0$  and numbers  $t_k \in [a, b]$  such that  $|f_{n_k}(t_k) - f(t_k)| \geq 2\varepsilon_0$  ( $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ). The bounded sequence  $x = (t_k)$  contains a convergent subsequence  $(t_{k_i})$ ,  $\text{st}_\mu\text{-lim } t_{k_i} = \alpha$ , say. By the continuity of  $f$ ,  $\lim f(t_{k_i}) = f(\alpha)$ . So there is an index  $i_0$  such that  $|f(t_{k_i}) - f(\alpha)| < \varepsilon_0$  ( $i \geq i_0$ ). For the same  $i$ 's, we have

$$(4.1) \quad |f_{n_{k_i}}(t_{k_i}) - f(\alpha)| \geq |f_{n_{k_i}}(t_{k_i}) - f(t_{k_i})| - |f(t_{k_i}) - f(\alpha)| \geq \varepsilon_0.$$

Now, defining

$$u_j = \begin{cases} \alpha, & j = n_{k_i} \text{ and } j \text{ is odd,} \\ t_{k_i}, & j = n_{k_i} \text{ and } j \text{ is even,} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

we get  $u_j \rightarrow \alpha$  ( $\mu$ -density). Hence  $\text{st}_\mu\text{-lim } u_j = \alpha$ . But if  $j = n_{k_i}$  and  $j$  is odd, then  $\lim f_{n_{k_i}}(\alpha) = f(\alpha)$ , and if  $j = n_{k_i}$  and  $j$  is even, then, by (4.1),  $\lim f_{n_{k_i}}(t_{k_i}) \neq f(\alpha)$ . Hence  $\{f_j(t_j)\}$  is not  $\mu$ -density convergent since the sequence  $\{f_j(t_j)\}$  has two disjoint subsequences of positive measure that converge to two different limit values. So, the sequence  $\{f_j(t_j)\}$  is not  $\mu$ -statistically convergent, which contradicts the hypothesis. Thus  $(f_k)$  must be  $\mu$ -statistically uniformly convergent to  $f$  on  $[a, b]$ .

*Sufficiency.* Assume that  $f_n \rightrightarrows f$  ( $\mu$ -stat) on  $[a, b]$  and  $f$  is continuous. Let  $x = (x_n)$  be a  $\mu$ -statistically convergent sequence in  $[a, b]$  with  $\text{st}_\mu\text{-lim } x_n = x_0$ . Since  $\mu$  has the additive property for null sets,  $x_n \rightarrow x_0$  ( $\mu$ -density), so there is an index sequence  $\{n_k\}$  such that  $\lim x_{n_k} = x_0$  and  $\mu(\{n_k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}) = 1$ . By the continuity of  $f$  at  $x_0$ ,  $\lim_k f(x_{n_k}) = f(x_0)$ . Hence  $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x_0)$  ( $\mu$ -density). Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. Then there exists  $K_1 \in \Gamma$  of measure 1 and a number  $n_1 \in K_1$  such that  $|f(x_n) - f(x_0)| < \varepsilon/2$  for all  $n \geq n_1$  and  $n \in K_1$ . By assumption  $\mu$  has the additive property for null sets. Hence the  $\mu$ -statistical uniform convergence is equivalent to the  $\mu$ -density uniform convergence, so there exists a  $K_2 \in \Gamma$  of measure 1 and a number  $n_2 \in K_2$  such that  $|f_n(t) - f(t)| < \varepsilon/2$  for every  $t \in [a, b]$  for all  $n \geq n_2$  and  $n \in K_2$ . Let  $N := \max\{n_1, n_2\}$  and  $K := K_1 \cap K_2$ . Observe that  $\mu(K) = 1$ . Hence taking  $t = x_n$  we have

$$|f_n(x_n) - f(x_0)| \leq |f_n(x_n) - f(x_n)| + |f(x_n) - f(x_0)| < \varepsilon$$

for all  $n \geq N$  and  $n \in K$ . This shows that  $f_n(x_n) \rightarrow f(x_0)$  ( $\mu$ -density) which necessarily implies that  $\text{st}_\mu\text{-lim } f_n(x_n) = f(x_0)$ , whence the proof follows.  $\square$

Theorem 4.1 contains the following necessary and sufficient condition for the continuity of  $\mu$ -statistical limit functions of function sequences that converge  $\mu$ -statistically uniformly on a closed interval.

**Theorem 4.2.** *Let  $\mu$  be a measure with the additive property for null sets and let  $(f_k)$  be a sequence of functions that converges  $\mu$ -statistically uniformly on a closed interval  $[a, b]$  to a function  $f$ . The  $\text{st}_\mu$ -lim function  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  if and only if  $(f_k)$  is  $\mu$ -statistically conservative on  $[a, b]$ .*

Now, we study the  $\mu$ -statistical regularity of function sequences. If  $(f_k)$  is  $\mu$ -statistically regular on  $[a, b]$ , then obviously  $\text{st}_\mu$ -lim  $f_k(t) = t$  for all  $t \in [a, b]$ . So, taking  $f(t) = t$  in Theorem 4.1, we immediately get the following

**Theorem 4.3.** *Let  $\mu$  be a measure with the additive property for null sets and let  $(f_k)$  be a sequence of functions on  $[a, b]$ . Then  $(f_k)$  is  $\mu$ -statistically regular on  $[a, b]$  if and only if  $(f_k)$  is  $\mu$ -statistically uniformly convergent on  $[a, b]$  to the function  $f$  defined by  $f(t) = t$ .*

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