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Chapter 1

Abstract Integration

Riemann integral has successfully defined the integral of a function f over an interval [a, b] as the limit of Riemann sums.

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} f(t_i) m(E_i)$$

where E_i are disjoint intervals whose union in [a, b]. However, this approach has limitations, particularly when dealing with functions that are not well-behaved or when the domain is not a simple interval. Following by the original idea of Riemann, using sums to approximate the integral, we can generalize the sum to more general case.

The generation of the "length" concept is called **measure**, and the process of defining the integral in this more general context is known as **abstract integration**.

1.1 The Extended \mathbb{R} Line

We extend the real line \mathbb{R} to include two points, $-\infty$ and $+\infty$, denoted as $\mathbb{R}_{\pm\infty}$. This allows us to handle limits and integrals that may diverge to infinity.

Now we give a formal definition of the extended real line $\mathbb{R}_{\pm\infty}$.

The **extended real line** $\mathbb{R}_{\pm\infty}$ is defined as the set $\mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty, \infty\}$ with the simple order relation defined as follows:

- For any $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, we have x < y the same as in \mathbb{R} .
- For any $x \in \mathbb{R}$, we have $-\infty < x < +\infty$.

The operations $+, \cdot$ are defined on $\mathbb{R}_{\pm\infty} \times \mathbb{R}_{\pm\infty}$ as follows: $(+ \text{ is not defined on } (+\infty, -\infty)_p)$ and $(-\infty, +\infty)_p)$

- \bullet +, · follows commutative, associative and distributive laws, and both has identity. (The existence of inverse is dropped in the sense of infinity)
- If $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, then $x + y, x \cdot y$ are defined as in \mathbb{R} .
- If $x \in \mathbb{R}$, then $x + (-\infty) = -\infty$, $x + (+\infty) = +\infty$.
- $+\infty + (+\infty) = +\infty$, $-\infty + (-\infty) = -\infty$.

• If $x \in \mathbb{R}_{\pm \infty}$, then

- If
$$x > 0$$
, then $x \cdot (+\infty) = +\infty$, $x \cdot (-\infty) = -\infty$.

- If
$$x < 0$$
, then $x \cdot (+\infty) = -\infty$, $x \cdot (-\infty) = +\infty$.

- If
$$x = 0$$
, then $0 \cdot (+\infty) = 0$, $0 \cdot (-\infty) = 0$.

Remark:

The last line, If x = 0, then $0 \cdot (+\infty) = 0$, $0 \cdot (-\infty) = 0$, is a special case that is not defined in the usual arithmetic of real numbers. It is included here to maintain consistency in the definition of multiplication in the extended real line, used in Lebesgue integration. It follows our intuition of the area of a line is zero.

It is rather more common to consider the nonnegative (called positive in the following context) extended real line $\mathbb{R}_{\pm\infty}^+ = [0, +\infty]$ with the same order relation and operations as above. The nonnegative extended real line is often used in measure theory and integration, especially when dealing with measures that are nonnegative. Here, the operations are defined fully, without "bad cases" like $+\infty - \infty$.

1.2 Measurability

We link the concept of measurable to continuity, as we did in Riemann integration. Therefore, we compare the concept of measurable space, measurable sets, measurable functions, to the topological space, open sets, continuous functions.

Definition 1.2.1: σ -algebra

A collection \mathcal{M} of subsets of X is called a σ -algebra in X if:

- $X \in \mathcal{M}$.
- If $A \in \mathcal{M}$, then $A^c = X A \in \mathcal{M}$.
- If $A_n \in \mathcal{M}$ for $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, then

$$\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \in \mathcal{M}.$$

If \mathcal{M} is a σ -algebra in X, then (X, \mathcal{M}) is called a **measurable space**, and members of \mathcal{M} are called **measurable sets**.

If X is a measurable space, Y is a topological space, and $f: X \to Y$ is said to be **measurable** if for every open set $U \subseteq Y$, the preimage $f^{-1}(U)$ is a measurable set in X.

Remark:

The definition implies that $\emptyset \in \mathcal{M}$, and countable intersections of measurable sets are also measurable. This is because we can express intersections in terms of unions and complements:

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n = \left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n^c\right)^c \text{(De Morgan's Law)}$$

An **algebra** is a collection of sets that is closed under finite unions and complements, but not necessarily countable unions. A σ -algebra is an algebra that is also closed under countable unions.

Theorem 1.2.1: Subsets of Measurable Spaces

Let (X, \mathcal{M}) be a measurable space, and $A \subseteq X$ be a subset of X. Then we can define a σ -algebra \mathcal{M}_A on A as follows:

$$\mathcal{M}_A = \{ E \cap A : E \in \mathcal{M} \} .$$

It is easy to see that \mathcal{M}_A is a σ -algebra on A, and the restriction of the measurable function $f: X \to Y$ to A is measurable with respect to \mathcal{M}_A .

Theorem 1.2.2: Composition of Continuous or Measurable Functions

Let Y, Z be topological spaces, and $g: Y \to Z$ be continuous, then

- If X is a topological space, $f: X \to Y$ is continuous, then $g \circ f: X \to Z$ is continuous.
- If X is a measurable space, $f: X \to Y$ is measurable, then $g \circ f: X \to Z$ is measurable.

Proof. Preimage of continuous functions of open sets is open.

Theorem 1.2.3: Composition of Products

Let X be measurable space, and $u, v: X \to \mathbb{R}$ be measurable. Let Y be a topological space, and $\Phi: \mathbb{R}^2 \to Y$ be continuous. Then $\Phi \circ (u, v): X \to Y$ is measurable.

Proof. We shall use the second countability of \mathbb{R}^2 . Specifically the rational interval basis.

Let $f(x) = (u(x), v(x))_p$. Then $h = \Phi \circ f$. We need only to prove the measurability of f. For a rational vertex rectangle $R = I_1 \times I_2 = (a, b) \times (c, d) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$, we have

$$f^{-1}(R) = u^{-1}(I_1) \cap v^{-1}(I_2).$$

which is a measurable set since u and v are measurable. Then for all open set $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$, we have $U = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} R_i$, so

$$f^{-1}(U) = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} f^{-1}(R_i).$$

is a measurable set, hence f is measurable.

Remark:

We can change \mathbb{R} to any second countable topological space, and the proof still holds. The key is that we can cover the space with countably many open sets, and the preimage of each open set is measurable.

The following are some corollaries of the above theorem.

- If $f: X \to \mathbb{C}$, f(x) = u(x) + iv(x) where $u, v: X \to \mathbb{R}$ are measurable, then f is measurable.
- If $f: X \to \mathbb{C}$ is measurable, f = u + iv, then $u, v, |f|: X \to \mathbb{R}$ are measurable.
- If $f, g: X \to \mathbb{C}$ or \mathbb{R} are measurable, then f+g, f-g, fg, f/g (if $g(x) \neq 0$) are measurable.
- If $E \subseteq X$ is a measurable set, and let

$$\chi_E(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x \in E, \\ 0, & \text{if } x \notin E. \end{cases}$$
 (1.1)

Then $\chi_E: X \to \mathbb{R}$ is measurable. The function χ_E is called the **characteristic function** or **indicator function** of the set E.

Proposition: Normalize a Complex Measurable Function

Let $f: X \to \mathbb{C}$ be measurable, then there exists a measurable function $\alpha: X \to \mathbb{C}$ such that $|\alpha| = 1$, and $f = |f| \cdot \alpha$.

Proof. Let
$$E = \{x : f(x) = 0\}$$
, and $Y = \mathbb{C} - \{0\}$, define $\varphi(z) = z/|z|$ for $z \in Y$, and let
$$\alpha(x) = \varphi(f(x) + \chi_E(x)), \qquad x \in X$$

We have E is a measurable set: for $E = X - f^{-1}(Y)$. Then α is measurable since φ is continuous on Y, and f is measurable.

Theorem 1.2.4: Smallest σ -algebra

If \mathcal{F} is any collection of subsets of X, then there exists a unique smallest σ -algebra \mathcal{M} containing \mathcal{F} . That is, for any σ -algebra \mathcal{N} containing \mathcal{F} , we have $\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{N}$.

Proof. Let Ω be the collection of all σ -algebras containing \mathcal{F} . Then Ω is non-empty since the power set of X is a σ -algebra containing \mathcal{F} .

Let $\mathcal{M} = \bigcap \Omega$. Then $\mathcal{F} \subseteq \mathcal{M}$, and \mathcal{M} is contained in all σ -algebras in Ω . Showing that \mathcal{M} is a σ -algebra is trivial.

Definition 1.2.2: Borel Sets

Let X be a topological space. The Borel σ -algebra $\mathcal{B}(X)$ is the smallest σ -algebra containing all open sets in X, i.e., the topology of X. The sets in $\mathcal{B}(X)$ are called Borel sets.

In particular, closed sets, countable unions, countable intersections, and complements of Borel sets are also Borel sets. As we see,

- All countable unions of closed sets are called F_{σ} sets.
- All countable intersections of open sets are called G_{δ} sets.

Now we can consider any topological space X as a measurable space with the Borel σ -algebra $\mathcal{B}(X)$. Any continuous function $f: X \to Y$ where Y is a topological space, is measurable with respect to the Borel σ -algebra.

Borel measurable mappings are often called **Borel functions**. They are important in analysis and probability theory, as they allow us to work with functions that are continuous or piecewise continuous, while still being able to define integrals and measures.

Proposition: Borel Measurable Functions

Suppose \mathcal{M} is a σ -algebra in X, and Y is a topological space, let $f: X \to Y$.

- If Ω is the collection of all sets $E \subseteq Y$ that $f^{-1}(E) \in \mathcal{M}$, then Ω is a σ -algebra in Y.
- If f is measurable and E is a Borel set in Y, then $f^{-1}(E) \in \mathcal{M}$.
- If $Y = [-\infty, \infty]$ be the extended \mathbb{R} line, and $f^{-1}((\alpha, \infty]) \in \mathcal{M}$ for all $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, then f is measurable.
- If f is measurable, Z is a topological space, $g:Y\to Z$ is a Borel mapping, then $h=g\circ f$ is measurable.

Proof. All obvious. The first statement uses the closure condition of measurable sets. The second is just a corollary of the first. The third statement used the subbasis of $\mathbb{R}_{\pm\infty}$ and the second countability of $\mathbb{R}_{\pm\infty}$. The fourth statement uses the second statement.

Definition 1.2.3: Upper and Lower Limit

Let $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be a sequence in $\mathbb{R}_{\pm\infty}$, and let

$$b_n = \sup_{k \ge n} a_k, \qquad c_n = \inf_{k \ge n} a_k. \tag{1.2}$$

The **upper limit** of the sequence $\{a_n\}$ is defined as

$$\beta = \limsup_{n \to \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} b_n, \tag{1.3}$$

The **lower limit** of the sequence $\{a_n\}$ is defined similarly as

$$\gamma = \liminf_{n \to \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} c_n. \tag{1.4}$$

Remark:

The limit exists because the sequence $\{b_n\}$ and $\{c_n\}$ are monotonic.

Theorem 1.2.5: Limit of Function Sequences

If $f_n: X \to [-\infty, +\infty]$ is measurable for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, then we have

$$g = \sup_{n \ge 1} f_n, \qquad h = \limsup_{n \to \infty} f_n$$

are measurable functions. (the limits are defined pointwisely)

Proof. We shall prove that $g^{-1}((\alpha, \infty]) = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n^{-1}((\alpha, \infty])$. First, if $g(x) \leq \alpha$, then $f_n(x) \leq \alpha$ for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, also if $g(x) > \alpha$, then there exists $f_n(x) > \frac{1}{2}(g(x) - \alpha) > \alpha$.

The two statement holds obviously, as

$$h = \inf_{k \ge 1} \left\{ \sup_{i \ge k} f_i \right\}$$

Corollary 1.2.1: Measurability of Sequences Limit

- The limit of every pointwise convergent sequence of $X \to \mathbb{C}$ is measurable.
- If $f, g: X \to [-\infty, +\infty]$ are measurable, then $\max\{f, g\}$ and $\min\{f, g\}$ are measurable. In particular, the positive and negative part of f:

$$f^{+} = \max\{f, 0\}, \qquad f^{-} = -\min\{f, 0\}$$

are measurable.

1.3 Simple Functions

Definition 1.3.1: Simple Functions

A complex function $s: X \to \mathbb{C}$ where X is measurable space is called a **simple function** if the range of s is finite.

Note that we exclude ∞ .

If we set $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n$ be the range of s, then we can write s as

$$s = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i \chi_{A_i}, \qquad A_i = s^{-1}(\alpha_i)$$
 (1.5)

It is obvious that s is measurable if and only if each A_i is measurable. (Using max $\{s, \alpha_i\}$ for each i).

Theorem 1.3.1: Approaching by Simple Functions

Let $f: X \to [0, \infty]$ be measurable, then there exists simple measurable functions $s_n: X \to [0, \infty], n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ such that

- $\bullet \ 0 \le s_1 \le \dots \le f.$
- $\lim_{n\to\infty} s_n(x) = f(x)$ for all $x \in X$.

Proof. We use a stairs function to approximate the identity $t \mapsto t$ in \mathbb{R} . Let $\delta_n = 2^{-n}$ and $k = k_n(t)$ be the unique integer that $k\delta_n \leq t < (k+1)\delta_n$. Define

$$\varphi_n(t) = \begin{cases} k_n(t)\delta_n, & \text{if } 0 \le t < n, \\ n, & \text{if } t \ge n. \end{cases}, \quad t \in [0, \infty]$$

then each φ_n is a Borel function on $[0, \infty]$. We have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \varphi_n(t) = t, \qquad t \in [0, \infty].$$

Setting $s_n = \varphi_n \circ f$, we have s_n is a simple function, and according to proposition 1.2, s_n is measurable.

Remark:

The function we use is like a more and more dense stairs function, approximating the identity function. The limit of the sequence of simple functions s_n converges pointwise to f. This is a common technique in measure theory to approximate more complex functions with simpler ones, making it easier to define integrals and other operations.

1.4 Measures

Definition 1.4.1: Measures

- A positive measure on a measurable space (X, \mathcal{M}) is a function $\mu : \mathcal{M} \to [0, \infty]$ satisfying:
 - To avoid trivial case, $\exists A \in \mathcal{M}, \mu(A) < \infty$.
 - Countable Additivity: If $\{A_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$ is a countable disjoint collection of sets in \mathcal{M} , then

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_i). \tag{1.6}$$

- A measure space is a measurable space with a positive measure defined on it, i.e., (X, \mathcal{M}, μ) .
- A complex measure is a function $\mu : \mathcal{M} \to \mathbb{C}$ that is countably additive, i.e., for any countable disjoint collection $\{A_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$ in \mathcal{M} ,

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_i).$$

We require absolute convergence here to avoid Riemann rearrangement theorem.

Proposition: Positive Measures

Let μ be a positive measure on a σ -algebra \mathcal{M} , Then:

- $\bullet \ \mu(\emptyset) = 0.$
- For finite $A_1, \ldots, A_n \in \mathcal{M}$ are disjoint, we have

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{n} A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mu(A_i).$$

- If $A, B \in \mathcal{M}, A \subseteq B$, then $\mu(A) \leq \mu(B)$.
- If $A_i \in \mathcal{M}, i \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, and

$$A_1 \subseteq A_2 \subseteq A_3 \subseteq \cdots$$

and
$$A = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$$
, then

$$\mu(A) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \mu(A_n).$$

• If $A_i \in \mathcal{M}, i \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, and

$$A_1 \supseteq A_2 \supseteq A_3 \supseteq \cdots, \qquad \mu(A_1) < \infty$$

and
$$A = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$$
, then

$$\mu(A) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \mu(A_n).$$

Proof. • Take $\mu(A) < \infty$ would do.

- Take $A_{n+1} = A_{n+2} = \cdots = \emptyset$.
- $\bullet \ B = A \sqcup (B A).$
- $B_1 = A_1, B_n = A_n A_{n-1}$.
- $C_i = A_1 A_i$ would do.

Example: Measures

- The Counting Measure: Let $\mathcal{M} = P(X)$ and for $E \subseteq X$, let $\mu(E) = |E|$, which is the number of points in E, if E is infinite, then $\mu(E) = \infty$. This is a positive measure.
- Unit Mass Measure: Let $\mathcal{M} = P(X)$, fix $x_0 \in X$, let

$$\mu(E) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x_0 \in E, \\ 0, & \text{if } x_0 \notin E. \end{cases}$$

Theorem 1.4.1: Measures on Subspaces

Let (X, \mathcal{M}, μ) be a measure space, and $A \in \mathcal{M}$ be a measurable set. Then we can define a measure μ_A on the measurable space (A, \mathcal{M}_A) , where \mathcal{M}_A is the σ -algebra on A defined in theorem 1.2.1 as follows:

$$\mu_A(E) = \mu(E \cap A), \qquad E \in \mathcal{M}_A.$$

Remark:

In defining the measurable sets in subspaces, we do not require A to be a measurable set, but we require A to be a measurable set here in order to pass the measure to the subspace. It has been shown that all measurable spaces has a measure in the example above. If A is not measurable, then we shall find another measure on it.

1.5 Integration of Positive Functions

We let \mathcal{M} be a σ -algebra in X, and μ be a positive measure on \mathcal{M} .

Definition 1.5.1: Integration of Positive Functions

If $s: X \to [0, +\infty)$ is a simple measurable function, with the form

$$s = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i \chi_{A_i}, \qquad A_i \in \mathcal{M}, \alpha_i \in [0, +\infty) \text{ are distinct values}$$

If $E \in \mathcal{M}$, we define

$$\int_{E} s d\mu = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} \mu(E \cap A_{i}). \tag{1.7}$$

(The assumption $0 \cdot \infty = \infty$ is used here, in case $\mu(E \cap A_i) = \infty$ for some i.) If $f: X \to [0, \infty]$ is measurable, then we define the integral of f over $E \in \mathcal{M}$ as

$$\int_{E} f \mathrm{d}\mu = \sup \int_{E} s \mathrm{d}\mu \tag{1.8}$$

where s runs over all simple measurable functions $s: X \to [0, \infty]$ such that $0 \le s(x) \le f(x)$ for all $x \in E$.

This integral is called the **Lebesgue integral** of f over E with respect to the measure μ .

Remark:

A simple measurable function s is a stair-shape function below f, and we can approach the integral of f by taking the supremum of the integrals of all such simple functions. This is similar to the Riemann integral, where we approximate the area under the curve by using rectangles.

We notice that the integral can be seen as defined on the subset E of X, with the subset measure. So we can assume E = X without loss of generality when proving theorems about the Lebesgue integral.

Proposition: Direct Results for Lebesgue Integral

Let $f, g: X \to [0, \infty]$ be measurable functions, and μ be a positive measure on \mathcal{M} .

- If $0 \le f \le g$, then $\int_E f d\mu \le \int_E g d\mu$.
- If $A \subseteq B, f \ge 0$, then $\int_A f d\mu \le \int_B f d\mu$.
- If $c \in [0, \infty)$, $f \ge 0$, then $\int_E cf d\mu = c \int_E f d\mu$.
- If f = 0, then $\int_E f d\mu = 0$.
- If $\mu(E) = 0$, then $\int_E f d\mu = 0$.

• If
$$f \ge 0$$
 then $\int_E f d\mu = \int_X \chi_E f d\mu$.

Proposition: Sum of Simple Function Integral

Let $s, t: X \to [0, \infty]$ be simple measurable functions, then for $E \in \mathcal{M}$, define

$$\varphi(E) = \int_{E} s d\mu \tag{1.9}$$

Then φ is a positive measure on \mathcal{M} , and

$$\int_{X} (s+t) d\mu = \int_{X} s d\mu + \int_{X} t d\mu. \tag{1.10}$$

The measure here is like a weighting of the original length, if we take s to be the identity, then $\varphi = \mu$.

Proof. Let $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n$ be the distinct values of s, and β_1, \ldots, β_m be the distinct values of t. And $A_i = s^{-1}(\alpha_i), B_i = t^{-1}(\beta_i)$.

Then we can write $E = \bigsqcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i$, then we have $\varphi(\emptyset) = 0$ and

$$\varphi(E) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i \mu(E \cap A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i \mu\left(\bigsqcup_{j=1}^{\infty} (E_i \cap A_j)\right)$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \mu(E_j \cap A_i) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i \mu(E_j \cap A_i)$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \varphi(E_j).$$

Now we let $E_{ij} = A_i \cap B_j$, then we have

$$\int_{E_{ij}} (s+t) d\mu = (\alpha_i + \beta_j) \mu(E_{ij}) = \alpha_i \mu(E_{ij}) + \beta_j \mu(E_{ij}) = \int_{E_{ij}} s d\mu + \int_{E_{ij}} t d\mu.$$

As $X = \bigsqcup_{i=1}^n \bigsqcup_{j=1}^m E_{ij}$, the first half implies the result.

We shall see that the Lebesgue integral has satisfying limit properties.

Proposition: Limit Properties of Lebesgue Integral

• Let $s: X \to [0, \infty]$ be a simple measurable function and E_i be measurable sets such that $E_1 \subseteq E_2 \subseteq \cdots$, and $E = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$. Then the sequence $\int_{E_n} s d\mu$ is non-decreasing, and

$$\int_{E} s d\mu = \lim_{n \to \infty} \int_{E_n} s d\mu.$$

Proof. Using the fact that the integral defines a measure and the fourth proposition in proposition 1.4.

Theorem 1.5.1: Lebesgue's Monotone Convergence Theorem

Let $f_n: X \to [0, \infty]$ be a sequence of measurable functions such that

- $f_n \leq f_{n+1}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$.
- $\lim_{n\to\infty} f_n(x) = f(x)$ for all $x \in X$.

Then f is measurable, and

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \int_X f_n d\mu = \int_X f d\mu. \tag{1.11}$$

Proof. By theorem 1.2.5, f is measurable. As $f_n \leq f_{n+1} \leq f$, then the sequence $\int_X f_n d\mu$ is non-decreasing, and bounded above by $\int_X f d\mu$. Therefore, there is α that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \int_X f_n \mathrm{d}\mu = \alpha \le \int_X f \mathrm{d}\mu$$

To prove the other side, let 0 < c < 1 be a constant, and s be a simple measurable function such that $0 \le s \le f$, and define

$$E_n = \{x : f_n(x) \ge cs(x)\}.$$

Then E_n is measurable because $g_n = f_n - cs$ is measurable and $E_n = g_n^{-1}([0, \infty])$. Also we have $E_1 \subseteq E_2 \subseteq \cdots$, and $X = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$ (obviously). We have

$$\int_X f_n d\mu \ge \int_{E_n} f_n d\mu \ge c \int_{E_n} s d\mu.$$

$$\alpha \ge c \int_X s d\mu, \quad \forall c \in (0, 1), \forall 0 \le s \le f.$$

So we have

$$\int_X f \mathrm{d}\mu \le \alpha.$$

Remark:

Note that the monotone convergence theorem 1.5.1 and proposition 1.5 are very useful in proving theorems about Lebesgue integrals. They allow us to interchange limits and integrals for either the domain or the function.

Theorem 1.5.2: Finite Sums of Integrals

Let $f, g: X \to [0, \infty]$ be measurable functions, then

$$\int_X (f+g) d\mu = \int_X f d\mu + \int_X g d\mu.$$

Proof. There are sequences of simple measurable functions s_n, t_n such that $0 \le s_n \le f$, $0 \le t_n \le g$, and $\lim_{n\to\infty} s_n(x) = f(x)$, $\lim_{n\to\infty} t_n(x) = g(x)$ for all $x \in X$. Then we have $s_n + t_n$ is a sequence of simple measurable functions such that $0 \le s_n + t_n \le f + g$, and $\lim_{n\to\infty} (s_n + t_n)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$ for all $x \in X$. By the monotone convergence theorem and the sum of simple function integral (proposition 1.5), we have

$$\int_X (f+g) d\mu = \lim_{n \to \infty} \int_X (s_n + t_n) d\mu = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(\int_X s_n d\mu + \int_X t_n d\mu \right) = \int_X f d\mu + \int_X g d\mu.$$

Theorem 1.5.3: Infinite Series and Integral

If $f_n: X \to [0, \infty]$ is a sequence of measurable functions and

$$f = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n$$

then,

$$\int_X f \mathrm{d}\mu = \sum_{n=1}^\infty \int_X f_n \mathrm{d}\mu.$$

(The integral and infinite series can be interchanged.)

Proof. Put $g_n = f_1 + \cdots + f_n$ would do. (By the monotone convergence theorem 1.5.1)

Remark:

If μ is the counting measure on a countable X, then theorem 1.5.3 is just a statement about double series about nonnegative reals.

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_{ij} = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_{ij}.$$

Lemma 1.5.1: Fatou's Lemma

If $f_n: X \to [0, \infty]$ is a sequence of measurable functions, then

$$\int_{X} \liminf_{n \to \infty} f_n d\mu \le \liminf_{n \to \infty} \int_{X} f_n d\mu.$$
 (1.12)

Proof. Let $g_n(x) = \inf_{i \geq n} f_i(x)$, then g_n is measurable, and $g_n \leq f_n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$. By the monotone convergence theorem, we have

$$\int_{X} g_n d\mu \le \int_{X} f_n d\mu, \qquad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}_{+}.$$

Also, $0 \le g_n \le g_{n+1}$, and $\lim_{n\to\infty} g_n(x) = \liminf_{n\to\infty} f_n(x)$ for all $x \in X$. By the monotone convergence theorem, we have

$$\int_X \liminf_{n \to \infty} f_n d\mu = \lim_{n \to \infty} \int_X g_n d\mu \le \liminf_{n \to \infty} \int_X f_n d\mu.$$

Fautou's lemma can be interpreted as this:

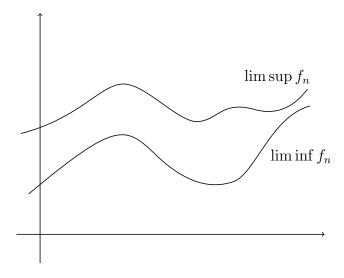


Figure 1.1: Fatou's Lemma

It is quite obvious that $\liminf \int_X f_n d\mu$ is above the area of the lower envelope of the function f_n .

Theorem 1.5.4: Integration and Measure

Suppose $f,g:X\to [0,\infty]$ are measurable, and

$$\varphi(E) = \int_{E} f d\mu, \qquad E \in \mathcal{M}.$$
(1.13)

Then φ is a measure on \mathcal{M} , and

$$\int_{X} g d\varphi = \int_{X} g f d\mu, \qquad E \in \mathcal{M}. \tag{1.14}$$

Proof. Let $E = \bigsqcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i$, where $E_i \in \mathcal{M}$, then we have

$$\chi_E f = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \chi_{E_i} f, \quad \varphi(E) = \int_X \chi_E f d\mu, \quad \varphi(E_i) = \int_X \chi_{E_i} f d\mu.$$

Using theorem 1.5.3 we have

$$\varphi(E) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \varphi(E_i)$$

Since $\varphi(\emptyset) = 0$, then φ is a measure.

We've shown that if $g = \chi_E$ then

$$\int_X \chi_E d\varphi = \varphi(E) = \int_E f d\mu = \int_X \chi_E f d\mu.$$

This implies that the result holds for all g = s, where s is a simple measurable function. Let $g = \lim_{n\to\infty} s_i$, where s_i is a sequence of simple measurable functions. Applying the monotone convergence theorem, we have

$$\int_{X} g d\varphi = \int_{X} \lim_{n \to \infty} s_{i} d\varphi = \lim_{n \to \infty} \int_{X} s_{i} f d\mu = \int_{X} g f d\mu.$$

The last equality follows from $gf = \lim_{n \to \infty} s_i f$.

Remark:

Sometimes, the result is denoted as

$$d\varphi = f d\mu \tag{1.15}$$

We do not formalize this donation.

This theorem shows that an integration is just creating a measure, with the intuition of weighing the length.

1.6 Integration of Complex Functions

 μ is a positive measure on a measurable space (X, \mathcal{M}) .

Notation 1.6.1: $L^{1}(\mu)$

We define $L^1(\mu)$ to be the collection of all complex measurable functions $f:X\to\mathbb{C}$ which

$$\int_{X} |f| \, \mathrm{d}\mu < \infty. \tag{1.16}$$

Note that when f is measurable, |f| is automatically measurable, and the integral is well-defined.

The members of $L^1(\mu)$ are called **Lebesgue integrable functions** or **Summable functions**.

Definition 1.6.1: Complex Integral

If f = u + iv, where $u, v : X \to [-\infty, \infty]$ are measurable functions, and $f \in L^1(\mu)$, then we define the integral of f over $E \in \mathcal{M}$ as

$$\int_{E} f d\mu = \int_{E} u^{+} d\mu - \int_{E} u^{-} d\mu + i \left(\int_{E} v^{+} d\mu - \int_{E} v^{-} d\mu \right).$$
 (1.17)

where u^+ and u^- are the positive and negative part of u (defined in corollary 1.2.1).

Note that $u^+ \leq |u| < |f|$, etc. So the four integrals are all $< \infty$, and the operation is well-defined.

Usually, we can define the integral of a measurable function $f: X \to \mathbb{R}_{\pm \infty}$ to be

$$\int_{E} f d\mu = \int_{E} f^{+} d\mu - \int_{E} f^{-} d\mu, \qquad (1.18)$$

If at least one of the integrals is finite, then the integral is well-defined.

Theorem 1.6.1: The Additivity of Complex Integral

Suppose $f, g \in L^1(\mu)$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$, then $\alpha f + \beta g \in L^1(\mu)$, and

$$\int_{X} (\alpha f + \beta g) d\mu = \alpha \int_{X} f d\mu + \beta \int_{X} g d\mu.$$
 (1.19)

Proof. The measurability follows from theorem 1.2.3. Also,

$$\int_X |\alpha f + \beta g| \, \mathrm{d}\mu \le |\alpha| \int_X |f| \, \mathrm{d}\mu + |\beta| \int_X |g| \, \mathrm{d}\mu < \infty.$$

Thus $\alpha f + \beta g \in L^1(\mu)$.

The additivity follows from the definition.

Theorem 1.6.2: The Fundamental Inequality

If $f \in L^1(\mu)$, we have

$$\left| \int_{X} f \, \mathrm{d}\mu \right| \le \int_{X} |f| \, \mathrm{d}\mu. \tag{1.20}$$

Proof. Let $z = \int_X f d\mu$, then let $|z| = \alpha z$, where $|\alpha| = 1$, and u be the real part of αf , we have

$$\left| \int_X f d\mu \right| = \alpha \int_X f d\mu = \int_X \alpha f d\mu = \int_X u d\mu \le \int_X |u| d\mu = \int_X |\alpha f| d\mu = \int_X |f| d\mu.$$

We introduce another important convergence theorem.

Theorem 1.6.3: Lebesgue's Dominated Convergence Theorem

Suppose $f_n: X \to \mathbb{C}$ is a sequence of complex measurable functions such that

$$f(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} f_n(x), \qquad x \in X.$$

exists. If there is a function $g \in L^1(\mu)$ such that $|f_n(x)| \leq g(x)$ for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ and $x \in X$, then $f \in L^1(\mu)$, and

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \int_{Y} |f_n - f| \, \mathrm{d}\mu = 0.$$

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \int_X f_n d\mu = \int_X f d\mu$$

Proof. As $|f| \leq g$, then $f \in L^1(\mu)$. Since $|f_n - f| \leq 2g$, using Fatou's lemma ?? for $2g - |f_n - f|$, we have

$$\int_X 2g \mathrm{d}\mu \le \liminf_{n \to \infty} \int_X \left(2g - |f_n - f|\right) \mathrm{d}\mu = \int_X 2g \mathrm{d}\mu - \limsup_{n \to \infty} \int_X |f_n - f| \, \mathrm{d}\mu.$$

Thus we have

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} \int_X |f_n - f| \, \mathrm{d}\mu \le 0.$$

This implies our result by the non-negativity of the integral and theorem 1.6.2.

1.7 Sets of Measure Zero

Let P(x) be a property concerning $x \in X$, and μ is a measure on \mathcal{M} , let $E \in \mathcal{M}$, then we say that "P holds almost everywhere on E" iff

$$\exists N \in \mathcal{M}, \mu(N) = 0, \forall x \in E - N, P(x).$$

If f, g are measurable functions, and if

$$\mu(\{x : f(x) \neq g(x)\}) = 0$$

Then we say f = g almost everywhere (a.e.) $[\mu]$ on X. We also denote this as $f \sim g$ (a.e. $[\mu]$). It is easily seen that this is an equivalence relation on the set of measurable functions.

If $f \sim g$ on X, then $\forall E \in \mathcal{M}$, we have

$$\int_E f \mathrm{d}\mu = \int_E g \mathrm{d}\mu.$$

Proof. Let $N = \{x : f(x) \neq g(x)\}$, then $\mu(N) = 0$, and E - N is measurable. Then we have

$$\int_{E} f d\mu = \int_{E-N} f d\mu = \int_{E-N} g d\mu = \int_{E} g d\mu.$$

We can say that sets of measure zero are negligible in the sense of integration.

We would want that every subsets of a negligible set is negligible, so we want that if $\mu(N) = 0$, then every subset $A \subseteq N$ is also measurable and $\mu(A) = 0$. We are pleased to say that for every μ , we can extend \mathcal{M} and μ to satisfy this property. We call the extended measure **complete**.

Theorem 1.7.1: Complete Measure

Let (X, \mathcal{M}, μ) be a measure space, and \mathcal{M}^* be the set

$$\mathcal{M}^* = \{ E \subset X : \exists A, B \in \mathcal{M}, A \subset E \subset B, \mu(B - A) = 0 \}$$

Then \mathcal{M}^* is a σ -algebra, and μ can be extended to a measure μ^* on \mathcal{M}^* such that

$$\mu^*(E) = \mu(A) = \mu(B).$$

The extended measure μ^* is called the **complete measure** of μ , or μ -complete.

Proof. First we verify that μ^* is well defined. For every $E \in \mathcal{M}^*$, if $A_1 \subseteq E \subseteq B_1$, $A_2 \subseteq E \subseteq B_2$ and $\mu(B_1 - A_1) = \mu(B_2 - A_2) = 0$, then we have

$$A_1 - A_2 \subseteq E - A_2 \subseteq B_2 - A_2$$

so we have $\mu(A_1 - A_2) = 0$, then $\mu(A_1) = \mu(A_2)$.

Proving \mathcal{M}^* is a σ -algebra requires some labor work.

Remark:

As functions are almost everywhere equal is indistinguishable in integration, we can expand a function defined on a set E to include a set of measure zero, and the integral would not change. This is useful in many cases, such as when we want to extend a function defined on a set to the whole space.

Now, we can call a function f defined on $E \subseteq X$ measurable if $\mu(E^c) = 0$ and $\forall V$ open, $f^{-1}(V) \cap E$ is measurable. This is a generalization to the definition of measurable functions on a measurable space (X, \mathcal{M}) . If we define $f(x) = 0, x \in E^c$, then we get a measurable function in the old sense.

Theorem 1.7.2: Integral of Almost Measurable Series

Suppose $\{f_n\}$ is a sequence of complex measurable functions defined almost everywhere on X, and

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{X} |f_n| \, \mathrm{d}\mu < \infty.$$

Then the series

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x)$$

converges almost everywhere on X, and $f \in L^1(\mu)$, and

$$\int_X f \mathrm{d}\mu = \sum_{n=1}^\infty \int_X f_n \mathrm{d}\mu.$$

Proof. Let S_n be the domain of f_n , then $\mu(S^{nc}) = 0$. Let $\varphi(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |f_n(x)|$, defined on $S = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} S_n$, then $\mu(S^c) = 0$. Using theorem 1.5.3, we have

$$\int_{S} \varphi d\mu = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{X} |f_{n}| d\mu < \infty.$$

Let $E = \{x \in S : \varphi(x) < \infty\}$, then $\mu(E^c) = 0$, otherwise contradicting that the total integral is finite. Then the series converges absolutely everywhere on E. Then $|f(x)| \le \varphi(x)$ on E, so $f \in L^1(\mu)$ on E. Now Lebsgue's dominated convergence theorem 1.6.3 applies, and we have

$$\int_{E} f d\mu = \lim_{n \to \infty} \int_{E} S_{n} d\mu = \lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \int_{E} f_{i} d\mu = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \int_{E} f_{i} d\mu.$$

Change E to X would not change the integral, as $\mu(E^c) = 0$.

Remark:

Even if f_n is defined everywhere on X, then condition $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{X} |f_n| d\mu < \infty$ would still imply that the series converges almost everywhere on X.

Proposition: Almost Everywhere Results

- Suppose $f: X \to [0, \infty]$ is measurable, $E \in \mathcal{M}$ and $\int_E f d\mu = 0$, then f(x) = 0 almost everywhere on E.
- Suppose $f \in L^1(\mu)$ and $\int_E f d\mu = 0$ for every $E \in \mathcal{M}$, then f(x) = 0 almost everywhere on X.
- Suppose $f \in L^1(\mu)$ and

$$\left| \int_X f \mathrm{d}\mu \right| = \int_X |f| \, \mathrm{d}\mu = 0,$$

Then there is a constant α such that $\alpha f = |f|$ almost everywhere on X.

Proof. • Let $A_n = \{x \in E : f(x) > 1/n\}$, for $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, then

$$\frac{1}{n}\mu(A_n) \le \int_{A_n} f d\mu \le \int_E f d\mu = 0.$$

So $\mu(A_n) = 0$ for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$. Then $\{x \in E : f(x) > 0\} = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$, which is a countable union of sets of measure zero, so it is also a set of measure zero. Thus f(x) = 0 almost everywhere on E.

• Let f = u + iv, and let $E = \{x : u(x) > 0\}$, then

$$\int_E u^+ \mathrm{d}\mu = \operatorname{Re} \int_E f \mathrm{d}\mu = 0.$$

 \bullet In the proof of theorem 1.6.2, the equality holds iff

$$\int_{X} (|u| - u) \mathrm{d}\mu = 0.$$

where u is the real part of αf . This means that $u \geq 0$ almost everywhere, or equivalently, $\alpha f \geq 0$ almost everywhere.

Theorem 1.7.3: The Average Value Theorem

Suppose $\mu(X) < \infty$, and $f \in L^1(\mu)$, S is a closed set in \mathbb{C} , and the average

$$A_E(f) = \frac{1}{\mu(E)} \int_E f d\mu, \qquad E \in \mathcal{M}$$

We have $\forall E \in \mathcal{M}, \mu(E) > 0 \to A_E(f) \in S$, then $f(x) \in S$ for almost every $x \in X$.

Proof. Let Δ be a closed disc $D(\alpha, r) \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ with $\alpha \in S$ and r > 0 such that $D(\alpha, r) \subseteq S^c$. Let $E = f^{-1}(\Delta)$, and we shall prove $\mu(E) = 0$.

If $\mu(E) > 0$, then we have

$$|A_E(f) - \alpha| = \frac{1}{\mu(E)} \left| \int_E (f - \alpha) d\mu \right| \le \frac{1}{\mu(E)} \int_E |f - \alpha| d\mu \le r.$$

This holds for all r > 0, so we have $|A_E(f) - \alpha| = 0$, which implies $A_E(f) = \alpha \in S^c$. This contradicts the assumption that $A_E(f) \in S$.

So we have $\mu(E) = 0$, as S^c is a countable union of closed discs, we have $\mu(f^{-1}(S^c)) = 0$.

Theorem 1.7.4: Finite Container

Let $\{E_k\}$ be a sequence of measurable sets such that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mu(E_k) < \infty.$$

Then $\forall x \in X$, there are only finite many k such that $x \in E_k$.

Proof. If $A \subseteq X$ is the set of all $x \in X$ such that $x \in E_k$ for infinitely many k, then we have to prove $\mu(A) = 0$.

Let

$$g(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \chi_{E_i}(x).$$

Then $x \in A \Leftrightarrow g(x) = \infty$. We have

$$\int_X g d\mu = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_X \chi_{E_k} d\mu = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mu(E_k) < \infty.$$

Thus $g \in L^1(\mu)$.

Chapter 2

Positive Borel Measures

We've seen that $L^1(\mu)$ is a vector space for every μ from theorem 1.6.1. For a given measure μ , the mappings (g is a bounded measurable function)

$$f \mapsto \int_X f d\mu, \qquad f \mapsto \int_X f g d\mu$$

are linear functionals on $L^1(\mu)$.

We can also consider the mapping Λ , for every continuous function $f:[0,1]\to\mathbb{C}$, define

$$\Lambda f = \int_0^1 f(x) \mathrm{d}x.$$

where the integral is just the ordinary Riemann integral. Then Λ is a linear functional on the space of continuous functions on [0,1]. This leads us to the construction of measures on [0,1] and the Riesz representation theorem.

2.1 Preliminary Definitions

Definition 2.1.1: Semicontinuous

Let f be a real (or extended real) function on a topological space X. Then

- f is lower semicontinuous if $\{x: f(x) > \alpha\}$ is open for every $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$.
- f is upper semicontinuous if $\{x: f(x) < \alpha\}$ is open for every $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$.

Obviously, a real function is continuous if and only if it is both upper and lower semicontinuous.

- Characteristic functions of open sets are lower semicontinuous.
- Characteristic functions of closed sets are upper semicontinuous.
- The supremum of a family of lower semicontinuous functions is lower semicontinuous. The infimum of a family of upper semicontinuous functions is upper semicontinuous.

Definition 2.1.2: Support

Let X be a topological space. The support of a function $f: X \to \mathbb{C}$ is defined as

$$\operatorname{supp} f = \overline{\{x \in X : f(x) \neq 0\}}.$$

The collection of all continuous complex functions on X with compact support is denoted by $C_c(X)$.

It is easy to see that $C_c(X)$ is a vector space. The support of f + g lies in the union of the supports of f and g, and it is compact for it is a closed subset of a compact set. Also, any linear combination of continuous functions is again a continuous function.

Proposition: Range of $C_c(X)$

The range of any $f \in C_c(X)$ is a compact subset of \mathbb{C} .

Proof. The continuous image of a compact set is compact. Let K be the support of f, then f(K) is compact. Then $f(X) = f(K) \cup \{0\}$ or f(K) is compact as well.

The following is a corollary of Urysohn's lemma, which consists of a locally compact Hausdorff space. Usual Urysohn's lemma states that for any two disjoint closed sets in a normal space, there exists a continuous function that separates them. It is usually proved by a sequence of rationally indexed open sets.

Theorem 2.1.1: A Corollary of Urysohn's Lemma

Suppose X is a locally compact Hausdorff space. V is open in X and $K \subseteq V$ is compact. Then there exists a function $f \in C_c(X)$ such that

- $\forall x \in X, 0 \le f(x) \le 1$.
- $\forall x \in K, f(x) = 1.$
- The support of f is contained in V. (This means $\forall x \in X V, f(x) = 0$.)

Proof. We do this by taking the one-point compactification of X, denoted $Y = X \cup \{\infty\}$. Then Y is a normal space (compact Hausdorff implies normality). The open sets in Y include:

- All open sets in X.
- Sets of the form Y C, where C is a compact subset of X.

Let V' be an open set that $\overline{K} \subseteq V', \overline{V'} \subseteq V$. (We shall see why later).

We denote N = Y - V', then N is closed in Y. As Y - K is open, then K is closed in Y. K, N are disjoint closed sets in Y.

There is a continuous function $g: Y \to [0,1]$ such that $g(K) = \{1\}$ and $g(N) = \{0\}$. Let $f = g|_X$. Then f is continuous on X. As $g(\infty) = 0$, then supp f = supp g is compact (because it is a closed subset of a compact space). As $\{x: f(x) \neq 0\} \subseteq V'$, then supp $f \subseteq \overline{V'} \subseteq V$ as desired.

Notation 2.1.1: \prec

Let X be a topological space, and $f \in C_c(X)$. We say

- $K \prec f$ if K is a compact subset, $0 \le f \le 1$ for $x \in X$, and f(x) = 1 for $x \in K$.
- $f \prec V$ if V is an open set, $0 \leq f \leq 1$ for $x \in X$, and supp $f \subseteq V$.
- $K \prec f \prec V$ if $K \prec f$ and $f \prec V$.

In this notation, the corollary of Urysohn's lemma can be stated as follows: For any open set V and compact set $K \subseteq V$, there exists a function $f \in C_c(X)$ such that $K \prec f \prec V$.

Theorem 2.1.2: Partition of Unity

Suppose V_1, \ldots, V_n are open sets of a locally compact Hausdorff space X, and

$$K \subseteq V_1 \cup \ldots \cup V_n$$

is a compact set. Then there exists functions $h_i \prec V_i$ such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} h_i(x) = 1 \quad \forall x \in K.$$

The functions h_i are called a **partition of unity** on K, subordinate to the open sets V_i .

Proof. $\forall x \in K$, there exists i and a neighborhood W_x with compact closure such that $x \in W_x \subseteq V_i$. As K is compact, there are points x_1, \ldots, x_m such that $K \subseteq W_{x_1} \cup \ldots \cup W_{x_m}$. Let

$$H_i = \bigcup \left\{ \overline{W_{x_j}} : \overline{W_{x_j}} \subseteq V_i \right\}$$

Then H_i is a compact closed set, and $H_i \subseteq V_i$. By the corollary of Urysohn's lemma, there exists functions $g_i \in C_c(X)$ that $H_i \prec g_i \prec V_i$. Define

$$h_i(x) = (1 - g_1)(1 - g_2) \dots (1 - g_{i-1})g_i.$$
 $(h_1 = g_1)$

We have supp $h_i \subseteq \text{supp } g_i \subseteq V_i$. We have

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} h_i(x) = 1 - (1 - g_1)(1 - g_2) \cdots (1 - g_n).$$

As $\forall x \in K \subseteq H_1 \cup \cdots \cup H_n$, at least one g_i is 1, so the sum is 1 for all $x \in K$.

Remark:

The construction in the proof is a good way of letting $h_i = 0$ for all $x \in H_1, \ldots, H_{i-1}$, and still preserve continuity.

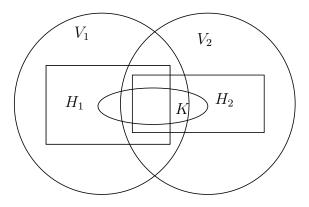


Figure 2.1: Partition of Unity

2.2 The Riesz Representation Theorem

Theorem 2.2.1: Riesz Representation Theorem

Let X be a locally compact Hausdorff space, and Λ be a positive linear functional on $C_c(X)$, which means that

$$\forall f \in C_c(X), f(X) \subseteq [0, \infty) \to \Lambda f \in [0, \infty).$$

Then there exists a σ -algebra \mathcal{M} on X containing all Borel sets, and a unique positive measure μ on \mathcal{M} which satisfies

1. The representation property:

$$\Lambda f = \int_X f \mathrm{d}\mu \quad \forall f \in C_c(X).$$

- 2. Compact measure finiteness: For every compact set $K \subseteq X$, $\mu(K) < \infty$. (Compact sets are closed in a Hausdorff space, so they are Borel sets.)
- 3. Open set lower limit (Outer Regular): For every $E \in \mathcal{M}$, we have

$$\mu(E) = \inf \{ \mu(V) : E \subseteq V, V \in \mathcal{T} \}$$

4. Compact set upper limit (Inner Regular): For every $E \in \mathcal{T}$ or $E \in \mathcal{M} \wedge \mu(E) < \infty$, we have

$$\mu(E) = \sup \{ \mu(K) : K \subseteq E, K \text{ compact } \}.$$

5. Zero measure closure (completeness): If $E \subseteq \mathcal{M}, A \subseteq E, \mu(E) = 0$, then $A \in \mathcal{M}$.

Proof. We denote K to be a compact subset of X, and V to be an open subset of X.

• First we prove that μ is unique. The conditions 3,4 implies that if we know all $\mu(K)$ with K compact, then we can determine $\mu(E)$ for all $E \in \mathcal{T}$, so we can determine μ for all $E \in \mathcal{M}$. So it suffices to prove that $\mu_1(K) = \mu_2(K)$ for all compact K.

If μ_1, μ_2 both holds, then for any K compact and $\epsilon > 0$, we can find an open set V such that $K \subseteq V$ and $\mu_2(V) < \mu_2(K) + \epsilon$ (by 2,3). So by the corollary of Urysohn's lemma, there exists a function $f \in C_c(X)$ such that $K \prec f \prec V$. Then

$$\mu_1(K) = \int_X \chi_K d\mu_1 \le \int_X f d\mu_1 = \Lambda f = \int_X f d\mu_2 \le \int_X \chi_V d\mu_2 = \mu_2(V) < \mu_2(K) + \epsilon.$$

So we have $\mu_1(K) \leq \mu_2(K)$, and by symmetry $\mu_1(K) = \mu_2(K)$.

• Construction of μ and \mathcal{M}

For every open set $V \subseteq X$, define

$$\mu(V) = \sup \left\{ \Lambda f : f \prec V \right\}$$

Using 3, we can determine $\mu(E)$ for every $E \subseteq X$. (We can see that if E is open, for every $E \subseteq V$, we have $\mu(E) \leq \mu(V)$, so it is consistent).

We've defined μ for every subset of X. But it is not a measure. We need to specify a σ algebra on which μ is a measure. Let \mathcal{M}_F be the collection of $E \subseteq X$ satisfying following
conditions

$$\mu(E) < \infty \land \mu(E) = \sup \left\{ \mu(K) : K \subseteq E, K \text{ compact } \right\}$$

And let \mathcal{M} be

$$\mathcal{M} = \{ E \subseteq X : \forall K \text{ compact }, E \cap K \in \mathcal{M}_F \}$$

• Proof that \mathcal{M} and μ satisfies the condition

3 holds by the definition. It is obvious that μ is monotone, if $A \subseteq B$ then $\mu(A) \leq \mu(B)$. We have $\mu(E) = 0, A \subseteq E$ implies $E \in \mathcal{M}_F$, and $E \in \mathcal{M}$, so $A \in \mathcal{M}$, so 5 holds. (Every zero measure set must be a supremum of the measure of its subsets.)

We also discover that Λ is monotone: If $f \leq g$, then $\Lambda g = \Lambda f + \Lambda (g - f) \geq \Lambda f$.

- If E_1, E_2, \ldots are arbitrary subsets of X, then

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i\right) \le \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(E_i).$$

Proof. We first show that

$$\mu(V_1 \cup V_2) \le \mu(V_1) + \mu(V_2).$$

for open V_1, V_2 . Choose $g \prec V_1 \cup V_2$, then we can find $h_1 \prec V_1$ and $h_2 \prec V_2$ such that $h_1 + h_2 = 1, \forall x \in \text{supp } g$. Then $h_i g \prec V_i$, and $g = h_1 g + h_2 g$, so

$$\Lambda q = \Lambda(h_1 q) + \Lambda(h_2 q) < \mu(V_1) + \mu(V_2).$$

2.3 Regularity of Borel Measures

Definition 2.3.1: Borel Measures and Regularity

A measure μ defined on the σ -algebra of all Borel sets in a compact Hausdorff space X is called a **Borel measure**.

If μ is positive, a Borel set $E \subseteq X$ is called

• Outer regularity:

$$\mu(E) = \inf \{ \mu(V) : E \subseteq V, V \text{ open } \}.$$

• Inner regularity:

$$\mu(E) = \sup \left\{ \mu(K) : K \subseteq E, K \text{ compact } \right\}.$$

If every Borel set E satisfies both outer and inner regularity, then μ is called a **regular** Borel measure.

The measure constructed by the Riesz representation theorem is not always a regular Borel measure. We have outer regularity holds for every set, but inner regularity holds for all open sets and all $E \in \mathcal{M}, \mu(E) < \infty$, others we cannot promise.

However, a slight strengthening of conditions would give us a regular measure.

Definition 2.3.2: σ -compact and σ -finite

X is a topological space.

- A set $E \subseteq X$ is called σ -compact if it can be expressed as a countable union of compact sets.
- A set E on a measure space (X, \mathcal{M}, μ) is called σ -finite if it is a countable union of sets $E_i \in \mathcal{M}$ such that $\mu(E_i) < \infty$ for all i.

Theorem 2.3.1: Regular Borel Measure

Suppose X is a locally compact, σ -compact Hausdorff space. If \mathcal{M}, μ follows from the Riesz representation theorem conditions, then they have the following properties

• If $E \in \mathcal{M}$, $\epsilon > 0$, then there exists closed F and open V such that $F \subseteq E \subseteq V$, $\mu(V - F) < \epsilon$.