

# Notes of Measure Space

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## 1 Measure Theory and Topology

Space is often a set with a certain structure or operation, rather than a simple set.

**Topology** Topology deals with open sets.

We have a set  $T$ .  $T$  has some open subsets  $O$ . If open sets satisfy some requirements in  $U = \{O\}$ , then  $(T, U)$  is a topology space.  $T$  is the origin space.  $U$  is a subset of  $2^T$  (set consisting of subsets of  $T$ ).

$U$  should satisfy:

1.  $T$  and  $\emptyset$  is open set.
2.  $\forall O_i \in U, \bigcap_{i=1}^N O_i$  is open set (must be finite).
3.  $\forall O_i \in U, \bigcup O_i$  is open set (arbitrary number).

We define **continuous function**  $f$  on  $T$  as

$$\forall G \text{ is an open set, } f^{-1}(G) \text{ is an open set as well.}$$

Measure Space has many similar definitions.

**Measurable Space** Similarly, measurable space is a dualistic group  $(X, \mathcal{F})$ .  $X$  is our origin discussion space, and  $\mathcal{F}$  is a subset of  $2^X$ , which satisfies some conditions as follows:

1.  $\emptyset, X \in \mathcal{F}$ .
2. If  $E \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $E^C \in \mathcal{F}$ .
3. If  $E_i \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $E_1 \cup E_2$  as well.

Those elements in  $\mathcal{F}$  is measurable. The measurable space  $(X, \mathcal{F})$  also can be described as " $\mathcal{F}$  is a  $\sigma$ -Algebra on  $X$ ".

**Measure Space** Measure spaces define a measure  $m$  on measurable space. Then measure space is a triple  $(X, \mathcal{F}, m)$ .

(if  $\mathcal{F}$  is too big, we cannot find a measure function  $m$  intuitively)

The measure  $m : \mathcal{F} \mapsto [0, \infty]$  has to satisfy:

1.  $m(\emptyset) = 0$ .
2. If  $F_i \cap F_j = \emptyset (i \neq j)$  and  $F = \cup F_n \in \mathcal{F}$ , then

$$m(F) = \sum m(F_n).$$

**Corollary 1.** (*Additive*) If  $F, G \in \mathcal{F}, F \cap G = \emptyset$ ,  $m(F \cup G) = m(F) + m(G)$ .

## 2 $\sigma$ -Algebra

$\sigma$ -Algebra has three basic rules, and some properties are derived from them.

**Corollary 2.** *These two corollary is useful!*

1.  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i \in \mathcal{F} (n \in \mathbb{N})$
2.  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n E_i = (\bigcup_{i=1}^n F_i^C)^C \in \mathcal{F}$ .

Thus we conclude that  $\sigma$ -Algebra is a family of subsets closed to any countable number of operations.

**Corollary 3.** (*Principle of Inclusion-exclusion*) For all  $F_i \in \Sigma$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu\left(\bigcup_{i \leq n} F_i\right) &= \sum_{i \leq n} \mu(F_i) - \sum_{i < j \leq n} \mu(F_i \cap F_j) \\ &\quad + \cdots + (-1)^{n-1} \mu(F_1 \cap F_2 \cap \cdots \cap F_n). \end{aligned}$$

The proof of Corollary 3 has been written in Chen Tong's notes on github.

### 2.1 Borel $\sigma$ -Algebra

$$\mathcal{B}(S) := \sigma(\text{open subsets of } S)$$

The most common Borel algebra is  $\mathcal{B} := \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ . It consists of the open subsets in  $\mathbb{R}$ . But it is hard to find a subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  but not in  $\mathcal{B}$ .

**Theorem 1.** Define  $\pi(\mathbb{R}) := \{(-\infty, x] \mid x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ , then

$$\mathcal{B} = \sigma(\pi(\mathbb{R})).$$

*Proof.* For all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $(-\infty, x] = \bigcap (-\infty, x + 1/n]$ . Use the property 2,  $(-\infty, x]$  is measurable, i.e.  $(-\infty, x] \in \mathcal{B}$ .

Then we just need to prove that  $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}, (a, b) \in \sigma(\pi(\mathbb{R}))$ . First,  $(a, b)$  can be represented as  $\bigcup_i^\infty (a, b - \epsilon/n]$ , where  $\epsilon = (b - a)/2$  (in fact it can be arbitrary small). Then we have

$$(a, k] = (-\infty, k] \cap (a, \infty) = (-\infty, k] \cap (-\infty, a]^C \in \mathcal{B},$$

thus  $(a, b - \epsilon/n] \in \mathcal{B}$ . In this way,  $(a, b) = \bigcup_i^\infty (a, b - \epsilon/n] \in \mathcal{B}$ . □

## 2.2 Finite and $\sigma$ -finite

We have a measure space  $(S, \Sigma, \mu)$ .

**Finite** The measure space is finite iff  $\mu(S) < \infty$ .

**$\sigma$ -finite** The measure space is  $\sigma$ -finite iff there exists a sequence  $\{S_n\} (S_i \in \Sigma), \text{s.t.}$

$$\mu(S_n) < \infty (\forall n \in \mathbb{N}) \text{ and } \bigcup S_n = S.$$

## 2.3 Minimum $\sigma$ -algebra

Here we introduce a signal  $\sigma(A)$ , which denote the minimum  $\sigma$ -algebra including  $A$ .

## 3 $\pi$ -System

We have a set  $S$  and  $\mathcal{I} \subseteq 2^S$ .  $(S, \mathcal{I})$  is a  $\pi$ -System iff

$$I_1, I_2 \in \mathcal{I} \Rightarrow I_1 \cap I_2 \in \mathcal{I}$$

$\pi$ -System is easier for us to research, for it is just closed on  $\cap$  while  $\sigma$ -algebra is closed on both  $\cap$  and  $\cup$  (in my opinion like a group to a ring in abstract algebra).

**Theorem 2.** Define  $\Sigma := \sigma(\mathcal{I})$ . If there exists two measures  $\mu_1, \mu_2$  on  $(S, \Sigma)$  satisfy:

$$\mu_1(S) = \mu_2(S) < \infty$$

and

$$\mu_1(x) = \mu_2(x), \forall x \in \mathcal{I},$$

then

$$\mu_1(x) = \mu_2(x), \forall x \in \Sigma.$$

*Proof.* The proof is in Appendix in our textbook, using Dynkin lemma. □

**Theorem 3. (Carathéodory Expansion Theorem)**  $S$  is a set, and  $\Sigma_0$  is an algebra on  $S$  ( $\Sigma_0$  is a  $\pi$ -system as well). Define

$$\Sigma := \sigma(\Sigma_0).$$

**(Existence)** If  $\mu_0 : \Sigma_0 \mapsto [0, \infty]$  is a mapping satisfies the rule of measure function, then there exists a  $\mu$  on  $\Sigma$  and satisfies

$$\mu(x) = \mu_0(x), \forall x \in \Sigma_0.$$

**(Uniqueness)** Furthermore, if  $\mu_0(S) < \infty$ , then according to Theorem 2, the expansion  $\mu$  is unique.

### 3.1 Lebesgue Measure

Let  $S = (0, 1]$ . Define

$$F = (a_1, b_1] \cup \cdots \cup (a_r, b_r] \subseteq S, \text{ where } 0 \leq a_1 \leq b_1 \leq \cdots \leq a_r \leq b_r.$$

And the union of  $F$  is defined as  $\pi$ -System  $\Sigma_0$ . According to 2.3, we can define a minimum  $\sigma$ -algebra

$$\Sigma := \sigma(\Sigma_0) = (0, 1].$$

Define the measure  $\mu_0$  on  $\Sigma_0$  as

$$\mu_0(F) = \sum_{k \leq r} (b_k - a_k).$$

We can prove that  $\mu_0$  satisfy the premise of theorem 3, thus we conclude that there exists a unique measure  $\mu$  on  $\Sigma$ . We call this measure  $\mu$  as Lebegue measure on  $(0, 1]$  (Leb.  $([0, 1], \mathcal{B}[0, 1])$ ).

\* Note that we can simply define  $\mu(\{0\}) = 0$  to obtain

$$\text{Leb.}([0, 1], \mathcal{B}[0, 1]) = \text{Leb.}((0, 1], \mathcal{B}(0, 1]).$$

## 4 Probability space

A probability space is a special measure space where  $\mu(S) = 1$ . Then  $\mu$  corresponds to the probability that we're familiar with. This concept will be used in the future.