

# 1 Lesson 14/09/2022

Question: What is  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ ? Is  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) \neq \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$ ? No.

## Definition 1.1

$(X, \mathcal{M})$  measurable space. A function  $\mu : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$  is called a **positive measure** if  $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$  and if  $\mu$  is countably additive, that is

$$\forall \{E_n\} \subseteq \mathcal{M} \quad \text{disjoint}$$

we have that

$$\mu \left( \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n \right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu(E_n) \quad \sigma\text{-additivity}$$

## Remark 2

a set  $A$  is countable if  $\exists f \mathbb{N} \rightarrow A$  s.t.  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  Examples:  $\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}$  are countable, while  $\mathbb{R}$  is not, also  $(0, 1)$  is uncountable.

We always assume that  $\exists E \neq \emptyset, E \in \mathcal{M}$  s.t.  $\mu(E) \neq \infty$ .

If  $(X, \mathcal{M})$  is a measurable space, and  $\mu$  is a measure on it, then  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  is a measure space.

Then:

(1)  $\mu$  is **finitely additive**:

$$\forall E, F \in \mathcal{M}, \text{ with } E \cap F = \emptyset \implies \mu(E \cup F) = \mu(E) + \mu(F)$$

(2) the **excision property**

$$\forall E, F \in \mathcal{M}, \text{ with } E \subset F \text{ and } \mu(E) < +\infty \implies \mu(F \setminus E) = \mu(F) - \mu(E)$$

(3) **monotonicity**

$$\forall E, F \in \mathcal{M}, \text{ with } E \subset F \implies \mu(E) \leq \mu(F)$$

(4) if  $\Omega \in \mathcal{M}$  then  $(\Omega, \mathcal{M}|_{\Omega}, \mu|_{\mathcal{M}|_{\Omega}})$  is a measure space

**Proof.** (1)  $E_1 = E, E_2 = F, E_3 = \dots = E_n = \dots = \emptyset$  This is a disjoint sequence  $\implies$  by  $\sigma$ -additivity.

$$\mu(E \cup F) = \mu \left( \bigcup_n E_n \right) = \sum_n \mu(E_n) = \mu(E) + \mu(F) + \underbrace{\mu(E_k)}_{=\mu(\emptyset)}$$

(2)  $E \subset F$ , so  $F = E \cup (F \setminus E)$  and this is disjoint  $\xrightarrow{(i)} \mu(F) = \mu(E) + \mu(F \setminus E)$ , and since  $\mu(E) < \infty$ , the property follows.

(3)  $E \subset F \implies \mu(F) = \mu(E) + \underbrace{\mu(F \setminus E)}_{\geq 0} \geq \mu(E)$

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## Definition 2.1

$(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  measure space.

- If  $\mu(X) < +\infty$ , we say that  $\mu$  is **finite**.
- If  $\mu(X) = +\infty$ , and  $\exists \{E_n\} \subset \mathcal{M}$  s.t.  $X = \bigcup_n E_n$  and each  $E_n$  has finite measure, then we say that  $\mu$  is  $\sigma$ -finite.
- If  $\mu(X) = 1$  we say that  $\mu$  is a **probability measure**.

Some examples:

- Trivial Measure:  $(X, \mathcal{M})$  measurable space.  $\mu : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  defined by  $\mu(E) = 0 \quad \forall E \in \mathcal{M}$
- Counting Measure:  $(X, \mathcal{P}(X))$  measurable space. We define

$$\mu_C : \mathcal{P}(X) \rightarrow [0, \infty], \quad \mu_C(E) = \begin{cases} n & \text{if } E \text{ has } n \text{ elements} \\ \infty & \text{if } E \text{ has } \infty\text{-many elements} \end{cases}$$

- Dirac Measure:  $(X, \mathcal{P}(X))$  measurable space,  $t \in X$ . We define

$$\delta_t : \mathcal{P}(X) \rightarrow [0, +\infty], \quad \delta_t(E) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } t \in E \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Continuity of the measure along monotone sequences

$(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  measure space

- (1)  $\{E_i\} \subset \mathcal{M}$ ,  $E_i \subseteq E_{i+1} \forall i$  and let

$$E = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i = \lim_i E_i$$

Then:

$$\mu(E) = \lim_i \mu(E_i)$$

- (2)  $\{E_i\} \subset \mathcal{M}$ ,  $E_{i+1} \subseteq E_i \forall i$  and let  $E = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i = \lim_i E_i$ .

**Proof.** (1) if  $\exists i$  s.t.  $\mu(E_i) = +\infty$ , then is trivial. Assume then that every  $E_i$  has a finite measure, so that  $E = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i = \bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} (E_{i+1} \setminus E_i)$  with  $E_0 = \emptyset$ .

So, by  $\sigma$ -additivity

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(E) &= \mu \left( \bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} (E_{i+1} \setminus E_i) \right) = \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \mu(E_{i+1} \setminus E_i) \stackrel{(excision)}{=} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (\mu(E_{i+1}) - \mu(E_i)) = \\ &\stackrel{(telescopic series)}{=} \lim_n \mu(E_n) - \underbrace{\mu(E_0)}_{=0} = \lim_n \mu(E_n) \end{aligned}$$

- (2) For simplicity, suppose  $\tau = 1$ , and define  $F_k = E_i \setminus E_k$

$$\{E_k\} \searrow \implies \{F_k\} \nearrow$$

$$\mu(E_i) = \mu(E_k) + \mu(F_k) \text{ and } \bigcup_k F_k = E_i \setminus \left( \bigcap_k E_k \right)$$

$$\mu(E_i) = \mu\left(\bigcup_k F_k\right) + \underbrace{\mu\left(\bigcap_k E_k\right)}_{\mu(E)} =$$

$$\stackrel{(i)}{=} \lim_k \mu(F_k) + \mu(E) = \lim_k (\mu(E_i) - \mu(E_k)) + \mu(E)$$

Since  $\mu(E_i) < \infty$  we can subtract it from both sides

$$0 = -\lim_k \mu(E_k) + \mu(E)$$

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Counterexample: given  $(\mathcal{N}, \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N}), \mu_C)$  measure space. Let  $E_n = \{n, n+1, n+2, \dots\}$ . In this case  $\mu_C(E_n) = +\infty, E_{n+1} \subseteq E_n \forall n$ , but  $\bigcap_n E_n = \emptyset \implies \mu(\bigcap_n E_n) = 0$

**Theorem 2.1** ( $\sigma$ -subadditivity of the measure)

$(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  is a measure space.  $\forall \{E_n\} \subseteq \mathcal{M}$  (not necessarily disjoint):  $\mu(\bigcup_n E_n) \leq \sum_n \mu(E_n)$

**Proof.**  $E_1, E_2 \in \mathcal{M}$  and also  $E_1 \cup E_2 = E_1 \cup (E_2 \setminus E_1)$  disjoint sets.

$$\mu(E_1 \cup E_2) = \mu\left(\underbrace{E_2 \setminus E_1}_{\subseteq E_2}\right) \stackrel{(\text{monotonicity})}{\leq} \mu(E_1) + \mu(E_2)$$

that means that we have the subadditivity for finitely many sets.

$$A = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n, \quad A_k = \bigcup_{n=1}^k E_n$$

$$\{A_k\} \nearrow, \quad A_{k+1} \supseteq A_k, \quad \lim_k A_k = A$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n\right) &\stackrel{(\text{continuity})}{=} \lim_k \mu(A_k) = \lim_k \mu\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^k E_n\right) \leq \\ &\leq \lim_k \sum_{n=1}^k \mu(E_n) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu(E_n) \end{aligned}$$

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Exercise:  $(X, \mathcal{M})$  measurable space.  $\mu : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$  s.t.  $\mu$  is finitely additive,  $\sigma$ -subadditive and  $\mu(\emptyset) = 0 \implies \mu$  is  $\sigma$ -additive, and hence is a measure.

Exercise: the Borel-Cantelli lemma states that, given  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  and  $\{E_n\} \subseteq \mathcal{M}$ . Then

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu(E_n) < \infty \implies \mu(\limsup_n E_n) = 0$$

It can be phrased as:

If the series of the probability of the events  $E_n$  is convergent, then the probability that  $\infty$ -many events occur is 0

**Proof.** The thesis is:

$$\mu(\limsup_n E_n) = \mu\left(\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \underbrace{\bigcup_{k \geq n} E_k}_{A_n := \bigcup_{k \geq n} E_k}\right)$$

Is it true that  $\{A_n\} \searrow$ ? Yes.

$$A_{n+1} = \bigcup_{k \geq n+1} E_k \subseteq \bigcup_{k \geq n} E_k = A_n$$

Does some  $A_n$  have a finite measure?

$$\mu(A_n) = \mu\left(\bigcup_{k \geq n} E_k\right) \leq \sum_{k \geq n} \mu(E_k) < \infty$$

by assumption. Therefore, we can use the continuity along decreasing sequences:

$$\mu(\limsup_n E_n) = \lim_n \mu(A_n) = \lim_n \mu\left(\bigcup_{k \geq n} E_k\right) \stackrel{\sigma\text{-sub.}}{\leq} \lim_n \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \mu(E_k) = 0$$

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## Sets of 0 measure

$(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  measure space.

- $N \subseteq X$  is a set of 0 measure if  $N \in \mathcal{M}$  and  $\mu(N) = 0$
- $E \subseteq X$  is called **negligible set** if  $\exists N \in \mathcal{M}$  with 0 measure s.t.  $E \subseteq N$  ( $E$  does not necessarily stay in  $\mathcal{M}$ )

### Definition 2.2

$(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  measure space s.t. every negligible set is measurable (and hence of 0 measure), then  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  is said to be a **complete measure space**.

A measure space may not be complete. However, let

$$\overline{\mathcal{M}} := \{E \subseteq X : \exists F, G \in \mathcal{M} \text{ with } F \subseteq E \subseteq G \text{ and } \mu(G \setminus F) = 0\}$$

Clearly  $\mathcal{M} \subseteq \overline{\mathcal{M}}$ . For  $E \in \overline{\mathcal{M}}$ , take  $F$  and  $G$  as above and let  $\bar{\mu}(E) = \bar{\mu}(F)$  then  $\bar{\mu}|_{\mathcal{M}} = \mu$ , and moreover:

### Theorem 2.2

$(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  is a complete measure space. Let's observe that  $\bar{\mu}$  is well defined: let  $E \subseteq X$  and  $F_1, F_2, G_1, G_2$  s.t.  $F_i \subseteq E \subseteq G_i$   $i = 1, 2$ . Then  $\mu(G_i \setminus F_i) = 0$ . Now we have to check that  $\mu(F_1) = \mu(F_2)$ .

Since

$$F_1 \setminus F_2 \subseteq E \setminus F_2 \subseteq G_2 \setminus F_2$$

and  $G_2 \setminus F_2$  has 0 measure  $\implies \mu(F_1 \setminus F_2) = 0$ . Then  $F_1 = (F_1 \setminus F_2) \cup (F_1 \cap F_2) \implies \mu(F_1) = \mu(F_1 \cap F_2)$ . In the same way,  $\mu(F_2) = \mu(F_1 \cap F_2)$