

1. Let (a, b) be an arbitrary open interval, then $(-\infty, b) \in \mathcal{B}$, furthermore

$$\begin{aligned} \{(-\infty, a - 1/n)\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset \mathcal{B} &\implies \{[a - 1/n, \infty)\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset \mathcal{B} \\ &\implies (a, \infty) = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} [a - 1/n, \infty) \in \mathcal{B} \\ &\implies (a, b) = (a, \infty) \cap (-\infty, b) \in \mathcal{B} \end{aligned}$$

Now since each open interval is an open set we have that $\mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$. But since each open set is a countable union of open intervals it follows that each open set is in \mathcal{B} , and hence by closure properties we have that the sigma algebra they generate must also be contained in \mathcal{B} , so that $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}} \subset \mathcal{B}$.

2. Countable sets. As proof, assume X is countable, then $\{\{x\} : x \in X\} \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$, and each $\{x\}$ has counting measure 1. It follows by assumption that $\bigcup_{x \in X} \{x\} = X$ is a countable union of sets of finite measure, i.e. σ -finite. Conversely, if X is uncountable then it is not a countable union of countable sets, hence any countable collection of sets $\{X_i\}_{i \in I}$, such that $\bigcup_I X_i = X$ must have atleast one uncountable X_i (so that X_i has infinite counting measure).

3. (a) Suppose that $E \in f_*\mathcal{M}$, then since $f^{-1}(A^c) = f^{-1}(A)^c$,

$$f^{-1}(E) \in \mathcal{M} \implies (f^{-1}(E))^c = f^{-1}(E^c) \in \mathcal{M} \implies E^c \in f_*\mathcal{M}$$

Now suppose that $\{E_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \subset f_*\mathcal{M}$, then since $\bigcup_{\mathbb{N}} f^{-1}(E_i) = f^{-1}(\bigcup_{\mathbb{N}} E_i)$,

$$\bigcup_{\mathbb{N}} f^{-1}(E_i) \in \mathcal{M} \implies f^{-1}(\bigcup_{\mathbb{N}} E_i) \in \mathcal{M} \implies \bigcup_{\mathbb{N}} E_i \in \mathcal{M}$$

(b) We need only check that $f_*\mu$ is a measure. Since the image of $f_*\mu$ is a subset of the image of μ it is clear that for each E , $0 \leq f_*(\mu) \leq \infty$. It is also immediate that $f_*\mu(\emptyset) = \mu(f^{-1}(\emptyset)) = \mu(\emptyset) = 0$. To check additivity, consider $\{E_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \subset f_*\mathcal{M}$, where the E_i are disjoint (note this implies that each $f^{-1}(E_i)$ is disjoint). It follows that

$$f_*\mu(\bigcup_{\mathbb{N}} E_i) = \mu(f^{-1}(\bigcup_{\mathbb{N}} E_i)) = \mu(\bigcup_{\mathbb{N}} f^{-1}(E_i)) = \sum_{\mathbb{N}} \mu(f^{-1}(E_i)) = \sum_{\mathbb{N}} f_*\mu(E_i)$$

(c) The point mass at y_0 let $E \in f_*\mathcal{M}$, then

$$f_*\mu(E) = \begin{cases} \mu(\emptyset) = 0 & y_0 \notin E \\ \mu(f^{-1}(y_0)) = \mu(X) & y_0 \in E \end{cases}$$

(d) This measure counts the number of perfect squares in a set E . If $E \subset \mathbb{N}$, then $f_*\mu(E) = \#f^{-1}(E) = \#\{n \in \mathbb{N} : n^2 \in E\}$

4. μ is a measure for $j \geq 0$.

Suppose that $j \leq -1$, then consider the sets $E_n := \{n^2\}$.

$$\sum_{\mathbb{N}} \mu(E_n) = \sum_{\mathbb{N}} n^{2j} \leq \sum_{\mathbb{N}} n^{-2} < \infty = \mu\left(\bigcup_{\mathbb{N}} E_n\right)$$

Conversely, suppose that $j \geq 0$, $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$ by definition. If $\{E_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a countable disjoint family, then we are done immediately if any E_i is infinite, since then $\mu(\bigcup_{\mathbb{N}} E_i) = \infty = \mu(E_i) \leq \sum_{\mathbb{N}} \mu(E_i)$. Similarly, if infinitely many E_i are non-empty, then

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{\mathbb{N}} E_i\right) = \infty = \sum_{\mathbb{N}} 1 = \sum_{\mathbb{N}} \sum_{n \in E_i} n^0 \leq \sum_{\mathbb{N}} \sum_{n \in E_i} n^j$$

Finally, in the case where each E_i is finite, and only finitely many $E_i \neq \emptyset$, we have for some N , $\{E_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}} = \{E_i\}_{i=1}^N$, then

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_1^N E_i\right) = \sum_{n \in \bigcup_1^N E_i} n^j = \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{n \in E_i} n^j = \sum_{i=1}^N \mu(E_i)$$

where the second equality follows from the $\{E_i\}_1^n$ being disjoint.

5. Note, for notational convenience I will use $\ell : (a, b) \mapsto b - a$.

(a) Let $\epsilon > 0$, and consider the finite collection $\{E_i\}_{i=1}^n \subset \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$ and intervals $\{I_i^j\}_{i,j=1}^{n,m}$, so that (note we may pick m independent of n by just choosing m to be the maximum number of intervals associated to any $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$)

$$\bigcup_{j=1}^m I_i^j \supset E_i, \text{ and } \sum_{j=1}^m \ell(I_i^j) < J^*(E_i) + \frac{\epsilon}{n}, \quad i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$$

This gives us the desired result,

$$J^*\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i\right) \leq \sum_{i,j=1}^{n,m} \ell(I_i^j) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m \ell(I_i^j) < \sum_{i=1}^n J^*(E_i) + \frac{\epsilon}{n} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n J^*(E_i)\right) + \epsilon$$

And since ϵ was arbitrary, this proves finite subadditivity. To show that J^* is not countably subadditive, notice that for any rational number q , $J^*(q) = 0$, since $(q - \epsilon/2, q + \epsilon/2)$ covers q for any $\epsilon > 0$. We may enumerate $\mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1] = \{q_1, q_2, \dots\}$, so that applying part (b),

$$J^*(\mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1]) = 1 > 0 = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} 0 = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} J^*(q_i)$$

(b) Assume for the sake of contradiction that $J^*(\mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1]) < 1$, then there exists some collection $\{I_i\}_{i=1}^n$, $I_i = (a_i, b_i)$ covering $\mathbf{Q} := \mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1]$, such that $\sum_{i=1}^n \ell(I_i) < 1$. We may reindex this collection, so that $a_i \leq a_{i+1}$ (note that this implies $a_1 < 0$), and assume WLOG that $b_i < b_{i+1}$, otherwise $\bigcup_{1 \leq j \leq n, j \neq i} I_j$ still covers \mathbf{Q} , and $\sum_{1 \leq j \leq n, j \neq i} \ell(I_j) \leq \sum_{1 \leq j \leq n} \ell(I_j)$, we may also assume $b_1 > 0$ and $a_n < 1$, otherwise $\mathbf{Q} \subset \bigcup_{i=2}^n I_i$ or $\mathbf{Q} \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} I_i$. Finally, we have $a_i \leq b_{i-1}$, otherwise $\emptyset \neq (b_{i-1}, a_i) \subset [0, 1]$, and since \mathbf{Q} is dense in \mathbb{R} ,

$$\emptyset \neq \mathbf{Q} \cap (b_{i-1}, a_i) = \mathbf{Q} \cap (b_{i-1}, a_i) \subset \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n I_i\right)^c \implies \mathbf{Q} \not\subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n I_i$$

Using the above results, we get

$$1 > \sum_{i=1}^n b_i - a_i \geq \sum_{i=1}^n b_i - b_{i-1} = b_n - b_1 \geq b_n - a_1 > b_n$$

And hence $1 \in \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n I_i\right)^c$, a contradiction.

(c) Consider any interval I , if $I \not\subset [0, 1]$, then $I \not\subset \mathbf{Q} := \mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1]$. If $I \subset [0, 1]$, then since the irrationals are dense in \mathbb{R} , there exists some $\alpha \in I \cap \mathbb{Q}^c \supset \mathbf{Q}^c$. This proves that there are no non-empty open intervals which are subsets of \mathbf{Q} , hence if $\{I_i\}_{i=1}^n$ is a collection of open intervals, such that $\bigcup_1^n I_i \subset \mathbf{Q}$, then each I_i must be empty, implying that $\sum_1^n \ell(I_i) = 0$, so that $J_*(\mathbf{Q}) = 0 \neq 1 = J^*(\mathbf{Q})$, i.e. \mathbf{Q} is not Jordan measurable.

6. First note that from monotonicity, $\mu^*(E) \leq \mu^*(\tilde{E}) = \mu(\tilde{E})$ for any $\tilde{E} \supset E$. Hence we need only show existence of some $\tilde{E} \supset E$, such that $\mu(\tilde{E}) \leq \mu^*(E)$. If $\mu^*(E) = \infty$ we are done trivially with $\tilde{E} = X$, so assume not. Define $I_n := \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \supset E$, such that for each i , $A_i \in \mathcal{A}$ and $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu_0(A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_i) < \mu^*(E) + \frac{1}{n}$; existence of such A_i is guaranteed by the definition of μ^* . It follows that since $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{M}$ (Folland 1.13), each $I_n \in \mathcal{M}$ by the property of \mathcal{M} being an algebra. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 E &\subset \tilde{E} := \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n \in \mathcal{M} \\
 \implies \mu^*(E) &\leq \mu^*(\tilde{E}) = \mu(\tilde{E}) \leq \mu(I_n), \forall n \\
 \implies \mu^*(E) &\leq \mu(\tilde{E}) \leq \mu^*(E) + \frac{1}{n}, \forall n \\
 \implies \mu(\tilde{E}) &= \mu^*(E)
 \end{aligned}$$