

Characterisations of \mathcal{M} (Lebesgue measurable sets)

Lemma Null sets are Lebesgue measurable

If $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ $\lambda^*(A) = 0$ then $A \in \mathcal{M}$

~~Def~~ This is a question on the assignment.

Hint: Remember to do the inequality both ways.

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We also showed last week $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) \subseteq \mathcal{M}$

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We can characterise all of \mathcal{M} using these two groups of sets.

Propⁿ (1.2 in notes)

If $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ then $S \in \mathcal{M}$ iff $\exists B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ and N
a null set s.t. $S = B \Delta N$

"Lebesgue measurable sets differ from
Borel sets by a null set"

↑ everything in B and not N
+ everything in N and not B .

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In the exercise sheet this week show

If $A \in \mathcal{M}$ then $\exists F$ and F_0 set and N a null set
s.t. $A = F \cup N$. Recall: F_0 set is a countable union of
closed sets.

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Key to proving this is the regularity property of Lebesgue
measure.

In Lecture 1: we'll show there \exists non-Lebesgue measurable sets.