

202B: Functional Analysis

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How strange to actually have to see the path of your journey in order to make it.

—Neal Shusterman, [Shu16]

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THEME 1

PRODUCT MEASURES

1.1 January 17

Let's just get started.

1.1.1 Course Notes

Here are some course notes.

- The professor for this course is Michael Christ.
- There is a bCourses, which I don't have access to.
- There will be an exam in the evening in February.
- Problem sets will be due on Fridays.
- We will assume analysis on the level of Math 202A; see something like [Elb22].
- The text for the course is [Fol99].

1.1.2 Measures

Our first topic is to integrate on product spaces. Roughly speaking, we might have some measure spaces (X, \mathcal{M}, μ) and (Y, \mathcal{N}, ν) with some way to measure on them, and then we will want to measure $X \times Y$. Let's quickly recall what a measure is; we won't bother to recall the definition of a σ -algebra, but we will refer to [Elb22, Definition 5.25]. This requires the definition of a σ -algebra.

Definition 1.1 (σ -algebra). Fix a set X . Then a collection $\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X)$ is a σ -algebra if and only if the following conditions are satisfied.

- $\emptyset \in \mathcal{M}$.
- \mathcal{M} is closed under countable unions.
- \mathcal{M} is closed under complements.

In the sequel, we will also want to produce σ -algebras.

Definition 1.2. Fix a set X . Given a collection $\mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X)$, we will say that the smallest σ -algebra generated by \mathcal{S} is the σ -algebra *generated by \mathcal{S}* .

It is lemma that a smallest (i.e., contained in all other such σ -algebras) such σ -algebra exists and is unique. Let's see this.

Lemma 1.3. Fix a set X and collection $\mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X)$. Then there is a σ -algebra \mathcal{M} containing \mathcal{S} such that $\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{M}'$ for any σ -algebra \mathcal{M}' containing \mathcal{S} . This \mathcal{M} is also unique.

Proof. There is certainly some σ -algebra on X containing \mathcal{S} , namely $\mathcal{P}(X)$. So there is a nonempty collection $\underline{\mathcal{M}}$ of all σ -algebras containing \mathcal{S} , and then we define

$$\mathcal{M} := \bigcap_{\mathcal{M}' \in \underline{\mathcal{M}}} \mathcal{M}'.$$

Certainly \mathcal{M} contains \mathcal{S} , and one can check directly that \mathcal{M} is a σ -algebra. (See [Elb22, Lemma 5.28] for details.) And by construction, we see that $\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{M}'$ for any σ -algebra \mathcal{M}' containing \mathcal{S} . Lastly, we note that \mathcal{M} is unique because any two such σ -algebras \mathcal{M}_1 and \mathcal{M}_2 will be contained in each other and hence equal. ■

Anyway, here is our definition of a measure.

Definition 1.4 (measure). Fix a σ -algebra \mathcal{M} on a set X . Then a *measure* μ is a countably additive non-negative function $\mu: \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \cup \{\infty\}$, and we require that $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$. Here, being countably additive means that

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

where the sum is allowed to be in ∞ (namely, diverge to infinity). We call the triple (X, \mathcal{M}, μ) a *measure space*.

Remark 1.5. If we have $\mu(\emptyset) > 0$, then the countably additive condition implies that $\mu(\emptyset) = \infty$ and then $\mu(E) = \infty$ for all $E \in \mathcal{M}$. This is in fact countably additive, but we would like to exclude it.

We will want to make our measures somewhat small.

Definition 1.6 (σ -finite). Fix a measure space (X, \mathcal{M}, μ) . Then μ is σ -finite if and only if X is a countable union of sets in \mathcal{M} of finite measure.

This smallness condition is quite tame, and in practice all measures are σ -finite.

1.1.3 The Extension Theorem

We would like to discuss how to build measures from objects easier to construct. The following generalization of Definition 1.1 will be useful.

Definition 1.7 (algebra). Fix a set X . Then a collection $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X)$ is an *algebra* if and only if the following conditions are satisfied.

- $\emptyset \in \mathcal{A}$.
- \mathcal{A} is closed under finite unions.
- \mathcal{A} is closed under complements.

Example 1.8. Fix an uncountable set X , and let \mathcal{A} denote the collection of finite and cofinite sets. Then \mathcal{A} is an algebra (the finite union of finite sets is finite, and the finite union of cofinite sets is cofinite), but it need not be a σ -algebra because the countable union of finite sets need not be finite nor cofinite.

Example 1.9. Fix $X := \mathbb{R}$, and let \mathcal{A} denote the collection of finite unions of open or closed intervals. Then \mathcal{A} is an algebra but not a σ -algebra.

Additionally, the following generalization of Definition 1.4 will be useful.

Definition 1.10 (premeasure). Fix an algebra \mathcal{A} on a set X . Then a *premeasure* is a function $\rho: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \cup \{\infty\}$ which satisfies the following.

- $\rho(\emptyset) = 0$.
- Finitely additive: we have $\rho(A \sqcup B) = \rho(A) + \rho(B)$ for $A, B \in \mathcal{A}$.
- Countably additive: suppose $\{A_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$ is pairwise disjoint, and $\bigsqcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \mathcal{A}$. Then

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

And now here is our theorem.

Theorem 1.11 (Extension). Fix a set X and a premeasure ρ on an algebra \mathcal{A} over X . Then there exists a measure μ on the σ -algebra \mathcal{M} generated by \mathcal{A} such that $\mu|_{\mathcal{A}} = \rho$. Additionally, if ρ is σ -finite, then μ is unique on \mathcal{M} .

Here, σ -finiteness for ρ takes the same definition as Definition 1.6.

Proof of Theorem 1.11. For existence, combine [Elb22, Lemma 6.16 and Theorems 6.21, 6.24]. Further, uniqueness is [Elb22, Theorem 6.35]. It will be helpful to say a few words about the construction. Essentially, one builds an “outer measure” ρ^* on $\mathcal{P}(X)$ by

$$\rho^*(E) := \inf \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \rho(A_n) : \{A_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subseteq \mathcal{A} \text{ and } E \subseteq \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \right\}.$$

Then one restricts ρ^* to a smaller σ -algebra over which it becomes a bona fide measure. ■

1.1.4 Towards Product Measures

For our product measures, we take the following outline. Fix measure spaces (X, \mathcal{M}, μ) and (Y, \mathcal{N}, ν) .

1. We will construct a special σ -algebra $\mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{N}$ on $X \times Y$. Then we will construct a measure $\mu \times \nu$ on $\mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{N}$.
2. Once the construction is in place, we will find a way to compare “double integrals” with “single integrals.” Morally, one wants equalities comparing

$$\iint_{X \times Y} f d(\mu \times \nu) \quad \text{and} \quad \int_X \left(\int_Y f(x, y) d\nu(y) \right) d\mu(x).$$

The moral of the story is that we will be able to compare our product measure with the measures on X and Y which we already understand.

3. Lastly, we will specialize to Euclidean space \mathbb{R}^d .

Let’s go ahead and begin.

Definition 1.12 (measurable rectangle). Fix measure spaces (X, \mathcal{M}, μ) and (Y, \mathcal{N}, ν) . A measurable rectangle $E \subseteq X \times Y$ is a set of the form $A \times B$ where $A \in \mathcal{M}$ and $B \in \mathcal{N}$.

Example 1.13. The product of the circles $S^1 \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ and $S^1 \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ is the torus $S^1 \times S^1$ in \mathbb{R}^4 (identified with $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2$).

Definition 1.14 (product algebra). Fix measure spaces (X, \mathcal{M}, μ) and (Y, \mathcal{N}, ν) . Then we define the product algebra $\mathcal{A}(X, Y)$ as the collection of all finite disjoint unions of measure rectangles.

Remark 1.15. The reason that we have taken finite disjoint unions of rectangles is because we know how to measure measurable rectangles, and we know how to sum their measures as disjoint unions.

It's not totally clear that we have actually defined an algebra. We'll show this next class.

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Here we go.

1.2.1 The Product Algebra

We quickly pick up the following lemma.

Lemma 1.16. Fix finitely many subsets $A_1, \dots, A_n \subseteq X$, and suppose that these subsets live in an algebra \mathcal{A} on X . Then there exists a finite partition $\{C_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \kappa}$ of X of sets in the algebra such that

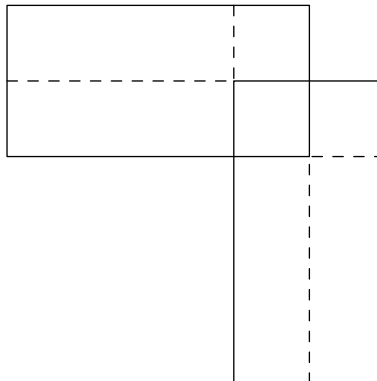
$$A_i = \bigsqcup_{\substack{\alpha \in \kappa \\ C_\alpha \subseteq A_i}} C_\alpha.$$

Proof. We basically build a Venn diagram. Choose index set I to be $\{0, 1\}^n$, and define C_α for $\alpha \in I$ to be the set of $x \in X$ such that $x \in A_i$ if and only if $\alpha_i = 1$. Note that we can write C_α as

$$C_\alpha := \bigcup_{\alpha_i=1} A_i \setminus \bigcup_{\alpha_i=0} A_i.$$

Now, these C_α 's of course provide a partition satisfying the needed condition by its construction. ■

Anyway, let's return to showing that we have a product algebra. For example, it turns out that the union of two measure rectangles is again a measurable rectangle. Here's the image.



And here is our statement.

Lemma 1.17. Fix measure spaces (X, \mathcal{M}, μ) and (Y, \mathcal{N}, ν) . Then $\mathcal{A}(X, Y)$ is actually an algebra.

Proof. Here are our checks.

- Note $\emptyset \times \emptyset = \emptyset$, so $\emptyset \in \mathcal{A}(X, Y)$.
- Finite union of rectangles: suppose that we have measurable rectangles $\{A_i \times B_i\}_{i=1}^n$. Then we show that the union is in $\mathcal{A}(X, Y)$. Now, the A_i 's produce some partition $\{C_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I} \subseteq \mathcal{M}$ of X via Lemma 1.16, and the B_i 's produce some partition $\{D_\beta\}_{\beta \in J} \subseteq \mathcal{N}$ of Y via Lemma 1.16 again. Now

$$A_i \times B_i = \bigsqcup_{\substack{C_\alpha \subseteq A_i \\ D_\beta \subseteq B_i}} C_\alpha \times D_\beta,$$

so

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \times B_i = \bigcup_{i=1}^n \bigsqcup_{\substack{C_\alpha \subseteq A_i \\ D_\beta \subseteq B_i}} C_\alpha \times D_\beta,$$

so our union is a union of measurable rectangles of the form $C_\alpha \times D_\beta$. But these measurable rectangles are all pairwise disjoint because the C_α 's and D_β 's are all pairwise disjoint, so the above union is in \mathcal{A} .

- Finite union: given $E_1, \dots, E_n \in \mathcal{A}$, we need to show the union is in \mathcal{A} . Well, write

$$E_i = \bigsqcup_{j=1}^{n_i} A_{ij} \times B_{ij}$$

for some $A_{ij} \in \mathcal{M}$ and $B_{ij} \in \mathcal{N}$. Then

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i = \bigcup_{i=1}^n \bigcup_{j=1}^{n_i} A_{ij} \times B_{ij}$$

is a union of measurable rectangles and hence lives in \mathcal{A} by the above check.

- Complement: given $E \in \mathcal{A}$, write

$$E = \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \times B_i$$

for measurable rectangles $A_i \times B_i$. As before, the A_i 's produce some partition $\{C_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I} \subseteq \mathcal{M}$ of X via Lemma 1.16, and the B_i 's produce some partition $\{D_\beta\}_{\beta \in J} \subseteq \mathcal{N}$ of Y via Lemma 1.16 again. This allows us to write

$$E = \bigsqcup_{i=1}^n \bigsqcup_{\substack{C_\alpha \subseteq A_i \\ D_\beta \subseteq B_i}} C_\alpha \times D_\beta,$$

and then the complement $(X \times Y) \setminus E$ will be the union of the measurable rectangles $C_\alpha \times D_\beta$ not in the above union. But these are still disjoint measurable rectangles, so the union remains in \mathcal{A} . ■

1.2.2 The Product Measure

Let's now define our product premeasure. Given the measure spaces (X, \mathcal{M}, μ) and (Y, \mathcal{N}, ν) , we would like to define

$$\rho\left(\bigsqcup_{i=1}^n A_i \times B_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mu(A_i)\nu(B_i),$$

but it is not obvious that this is well-defined. Instead of doing this, we will choose the following definition.

Definition 1.18 (product premeasure). Fix measure spaces (X, \mathcal{M}, μ) and (Y, \mathcal{N}, ν) . Given $E \in \mathcal{A}(X, Y)$, we define the *product premeasure* $\rho(E)$ as

$$\rho(E) := \int_X \nu(E_x) d\mu(x),$$

where $E_x := \{y \in Y : (x, y) \in E\}$.

Remark 1.19. One should perhaps check that E_x is always in \mathcal{N} and hence measurable. But for this we simply write $E = \bigsqcup_{i=1}^n (A_i \times B_i)$ for measurable rectangles $A_i \times B_i$ and note that

$$E_x = \{y \in Y : (x, y) \in A_i \times B_i \text{ for some } i\} = \bigcup_{\substack{i=1 \\ x \in A_i}}^n B_i,$$

which is a finite union of measurable sets and hence in \mathcal{N} . In fact,

Remark 1.20. One should perhaps check that $x \mapsto \nu(E_x)$ is integrable. Continuing from the above, we can see that these B_i must be disjoint if $x \in A_i$ for each of these i , so actually

$$\nu(E_x) = \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ x \in A_i}}^n \nu(B_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n 1_{A_i}(x) \nu(B_i),$$

which is a linear combination of indicators of μ -measurable sets, so this is a μ -integrable function.

Remark 1.21. It is notable that we can write

$$\rho(E) = \int_X \nu(E_x) d\mu(x) = \int_X \int_Y 1_E(x, y) d\nu(y) d\mu(x),$$

where the equality follows because the measure $\nu(E_x)$ is simply integrating Y over the indicator of $1_E(x, y)$.

We now check that we have a premeasure.

Proposition 1.22. Fix measure spaces (X, \mathcal{M}, μ) and (Y, \mathcal{N}, ν) . Then the defined product premeasure ρ on $\mathcal{A}(X, Y)$ is in fact a premeasure.

Proof. Here are our checks.

- Note $\rho(\emptyset) = 0$ because $\emptyset_x = \emptyset$ always.
- Finitely additive: fix disjoint $E_1, E_2 \in \mathcal{A}(X, Y)$, and we want to compute $\rho(E_1 \sqcup E_2)$. Well, we use Remark 1.21 to note

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(E_1 \sqcup E_2) &= \int_X \nu((E_1 \sqcup E_2)_x) d\mu(x) \\ &= \int_X \int_Y 1_{E_1 \sqcup E_2}(x, y) d\nu(y) d\mu(x) \\ &= \int_X \int_Y (1_{E_1}(x, y) + 1_{E_2}(x, y)) d\nu(y) d\mu(x) \end{aligned}$$

Now, by linearity of integration, this is

$$\begin{aligned}\rho(E_1 \sqcup E_2) &= \int_X \int_Y 1_{E_1}(x, y) d\nu(y) d\mu(x) + \int_X \int_Y 1_{E_2}(x, y) d\nu(y) d\mu(x) \\ &= \rho(E_1) + \rho(E_2),\end{aligned}$$

as desired.

- **Countably additive:** we use the Monotone convergence theorem. Fix some disjoint subsets $\{E_i\}_{i=1}^\infty \subseteq \mathcal{A}(X, Y)$ such that $E := \bigcup_{i=1}^\infty E_i$ is in $\mathcal{A}(X, Y)$. Proceeding as in the previous check, we see that

$$\begin{aligned}\rho(E) &= \int_X \int_Y 1_E(x, y) d\nu(y) d\mu(x) \\ &= \int_X \int_Y 1_E(x, y) d\nu(y) d\mu(x) \\ &= \int_X \int_Y \left(\sum_{i=1}^\infty 1_{E_i}(x, y) \right) d\nu(y) d\mu(x).\end{aligned}$$

Now, the functions 1_{E_i} and 1_E are all integrable (for suitably fixed coordinates), so applying the Monotone convergence theorem [Elb22, Theorem 9.18] tells us that

$$\rho(E) = \sum_{i=1}^\infty \int_X \int_Y 1_{E_i}(x, y) d\nu(y) d\mu(x) = \sum_{i=1}^\infty \rho(E_i),$$

as desired. ■

We can now produce our product measure.

Definition 1.23 (product measure). Fix measure spaces (X, \mathcal{M}, μ) and (Y, \mathcal{N}, ν) . Define the *product σ -algebra* $\mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{N}$ to be the σ -algebra generated by $\mathcal{A}(X, Y) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X \times Y)$. Then the product premeasure ρ on $\mathcal{A}(X, Y)$ extends by Theorem 1.11 to a measure $\mu \times \nu$ on $\mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{N}$.

Remark 1.24. By Theorem 1.11, if μ and ν are both σ -finite, then one can see that ρ is still σ -finite by some covering with measurable rectangles, so $\mu \times \nu$ becomes the unique measure on $\mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{N}$ extending ρ .

1.2.3 Tonelli's Theorem

The construction of our product premeasure in Definition 1.18 has a “handedness” in that we integrate with respect to Y and then with respect to X . This is somewhat upsetting, so we work to remedy this.

Theorem 1.25 (Tonelli). Fix σ -finite measure spaces (X, \mathcal{M}, μ) and (Y, \mathcal{N}, ν) . Fix a measurable function $f: X \times Y \rightarrow [0, \infty]$.

- The function $y \mapsto f(x, y)$ is \mathcal{N} -measurable.
- The function $x \mapsto \int_Y f(x, y) d\nu(y)$ is \mathcal{M} -measurable.
- We have

$$\int_{X \times Y} f d(\mu \times \nu) = \int_X \int_Y f(x, y) d\nu(y) d\mu(x) = \int_Y \int_X f(x, y) d\mu(x) d\nu(y).$$

Remark 1.26. Note that, once measurable, we can integrate a nonnegative function if we allow for infinite values. For example, see something like [Elb22, Proposition 9.22]

Proof. We begin with two reductions.

- We reduce to the case where f is the indicator of a function 1_E . Indeed, having the result for indicators shows the conclusions for any linear combination of these, so we get the result for simple measurable functions, and then we can get the general case by taking monotone limits via the Monotone convergence theorem [Elb22, Theorem 9.18].

(Namely, (a) is direct by taking limits, (b) follows by the Monotone convergence theorem to move out the limit out of the integral and then taking limits to get measurable, and (c) is achieved directly by the Monotone convergence theorem repeatedly.)

- We reduce to the case where X and Y are spaces of finite measure. Indeed, by the σ -finiteness of X and Y , we can partition each into countable disjoint union of sets of finite measure, and then by taking rectangles, we see that $X \times Y$ is a countable union of disjoint sets of finite measure. So achieving the result on these disjoint sets of finite measure, we can check the conclusions by summing over all the disjoint spaces, again concluding via the Monotone convergence theorem [Elb22, Theorem 9.18]. Namely, one can do an identical argument to the parenthetical remark of the previous reduction.

Before doing anything, we note that the σ -algebra $\mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{N}$ is not obviously generated at finite steps from $\mathcal{A}(X, Y)$; in fact, there is no countable constructive procedure to do this. So we are not going to proceed by trying to build up to $\mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{N}$; instead we will have to do something difficult. ■

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