

Measure Theory

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Chapter 1

Algebras and Sigma-Algebras

1.1 Definitions and Properties

Definition (Algebra). *Let \mathcal{A} be a non-empty collection of subsets of X . We say that \mathcal{A} is an **algebra** on X if it satisfies all of the following conditions.*

- (1) $\emptyset, X \in \mathcal{A}$
- (2) \mathcal{A} is closed under complement.
- (3) \mathcal{A} is closed under formation of finite union and intersection.

Definition (σ -algebra). *Let \mathcal{A} be a non-empty collection of subsets of X . We say that \mathcal{A} is a **σ -algebra** on X if it satisfies all of the following conditions.*

- (1) $\emptyset, X \in \mathcal{A}$
- (2) \mathcal{A} is closed under complement.
- (3) \mathcal{A} is closed under formation of countable union and intersection.

Proposition 1.1.1. *The set of all subsets of X and the set $\{\emptyset, X\}$ are the largest and smallest algebras on X , respectively; and also the largest and smallest σ -algebras on X .*

Proposition 1.1.2 (Set Operation). *The intersection of a non-empty collection of algebras is again an algebra.*

Proof.

Let $\{\mathcal{A}_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$ be a collection of algebras on X and let \mathcal{A} denote $\bigcap_{\alpha \in A} \mathcal{A}_\alpha$.

Part 1: \emptyset and X .

Since each \mathcal{A}_α is an algebra, by definition, $\emptyset \in \mathcal{A}_\alpha$ and $X \in \mathcal{A}_\alpha$ for each $\alpha \in A$.

Since $\emptyset \in \mathcal{A}_\alpha$ for each $\alpha \in A$, $\emptyset \in \mathcal{A}$.

Since $X \in \mathcal{A}_\alpha$ for each $\alpha \in A$, $X \in \mathcal{A}$.

Part 2: complements.

Let A be an arbitrary element in \mathcal{A} . Then A is in each of \mathcal{A}_k .

By definition of σ -algebra, A^c is also in each of \mathcal{A}_k . Then A^c is also in \mathcal{A} .

Thus \mathcal{A} is closed under complement. (**)

Let $\{A_k\}_{k=1}^\infty$ be an arbitrary sequence of elements in \mathcal{A} . Then $\{A_k\}$ is in each of \mathcal{A}_k .

By definition of σ -algebra, the union and intersection of $\{A_k\}$ are also in each of \mathcal{A}_k . Then the union and intersection are also in \mathcal{A} .

Thus \mathcal{A} is closed under countable union and intersection. (***)

From statements (*) ~ (***), \mathcal{A} is a σ -algebra. ■

1.2 Generated Algebras and Generated sigma-algebras

Definition (Generated Algebra). *Let \mathcal{S} be a collection of subsets of X . We define the algebra generated by \mathcal{S} to be the smallest algebra on X that contains \mathcal{S} , or equivalently, the intersection of all algebras on X that contains \mathcal{S} .*

Proposition 1.2.1. *Let \mathcal{S} be a collection of subsets of X . Then there exists uniquely a smallest algebra on X containing \mathcal{S} .*

Proof.

Part 1: existence

Let \mathcal{C} be the set of all algebras containing \mathcal{S} .

By definition, the set of all subsets $\mathcal{P}(X)$ of X is an algebra and contains \mathcal{S} .

Thus $\mathcal{P}(X)$ belongs to \mathcal{C} and \mathcal{C} is not empty.

Let \mathcal{A} be the intersection of all algebras in \mathcal{C} .

Part 2: the intersection is the smallest one

Let \mathcal{A}' be an arbitrary algebra on X containing \mathcal{S} .

By our choice of \mathcal{A} , \mathcal{A} is contained in \mathcal{A}' .

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Since \mathcal{A}' is arbitrary, \mathcal{A} is the smallest algebra on X containing \mathcal{S} .

Part 3: uniqueness

Let \mathcal{A}' be also a smallest algebra on X containing \mathcal{S} .

Since \mathcal{A} is the smallest, $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{A}'$.

Since \mathcal{A}' is the smallest, $\mathcal{A}' \subseteq \mathcal{A}$.

It follows that $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}'$. ■

Definition (Generated σ -algebra). *Let \mathcal{S} be a collection of subsets of X . We define the σ -algebra generated by \mathcal{S} to be the smallest σ -algebra on X that contains \mathcal{S} , or equivalently, the intersection of all σ -algebras on X that contains \mathcal{S} .*

Proposition 1.2.2. *Let \mathcal{F} be a set of subsets of X . Then there exists uniquely a smallest σ -algebra on X containing \mathcal{F} .*

Proof.

Proof of Existence

Let \mathcal{C} be the set of all σ -algebras that contains \mathcal{F} .

By definition of σ -algebra, the set of all subsets of X is a σ -algebra.

Note that this σ -algebra contains \mathcal{F} . Thus \mathcal{C} is non-empty.

By Proposition 2.1, the intersection of all sets in \mathcal{C} , denote by \mathcal{A} is also a σ -algebra.

Proof of Minimum

Let \mathcal{A}' be an arbitrary σ -algebra on X that contains \mathcal{F} .

By the choice of \mathcal{C} , \mathcal{A}' is in \mathcal{C} .

By the choice of \mathcal{A} , \mathcal{A} is a subset of \mathcal{A}' .

Thus \mathcal{A} is the smallest σ -algebra that contains \mathcal{F} .

Proof of Uniqueness

Assume that \mathcal{A}'' is another smallest σ -algebra on X that contains \mathcal{F} .

Since \mathcal{A} is a smallest σ -algebra, we get $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{A}''$.

Since \mathcal{A}'' is a smallest σ -algebra, we get $\mathcal{A}'' \subseteq \mathcal{A}$.

Thus $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}''$. ■

Example 1.2.1. *Let X be a non-empty set and \mathcal{A} be the set of all subsets A of X that either A or A^c is countable. Then \mathcal{A} is the σ -algebra generated by the set of singleton sets $\mathcal{S} = \{\{x\} : x \in X\}$.*

1.3 Borel Algebras

Definition (Borel σ -algebra). We define the **Borel σ -algebra** on \mathbb{R}^n , denoted by $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n)$, to be the σ -algebra on \mathbb{R}^n generated by the collection of all open subsets of \mathbb{R}^n . We say a set is a **Borel subset** of \mathbb{R}^n if it is an element in the Borel σ -algebra.

- (1) The Borel σ -algebra on \mathbb{R}^n can be generated by any of the collections of sets listed below.
- (a) The collection of all closed subsets of \mathbb{R}^n

$$\{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) : x_{j_0} \leq c\}$$

$$\{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) : a < x_{j_0} \leq b\}$$

$$\{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) : a_j < x_j \leq b_j \ (j = 1, 2, \dots, n)\}$$

Proof.

Proof Part 1

By definition of Borel σ -algebra, $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ contains all open subsets of \mathbb{R}^n .

By definition of σ -algebra, $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is closed under complement and hence contains all closed subsets of \mathbb{R}^n .

Thus all sets in collection (1) are contained in $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

It follows that the σ -algebra generated by collection (1), denote by \mathcal{B}_1 is contained in $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

Proof Part 2

Note that closed half-spaces in \mathbb{R}^n are closed subsets of \mathbb{R}^n .

Thus all sets in collection (2) are contained in \mathcal{B}_1 .

It follows that the σ -algebra generated by collection (2), denote by \mathcal{B}_2 , is contained in \mathcal{B}_1 .

Proof Part 3

Define sets

$$A = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) : a < x_{j_0} \leq b\}$$

$$B = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) : x_{j_0} \leq a\}$$

$$C = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) : x_{j_0} \leq b\}$$

Note that B and C are contained in \mathcal{B}_2 and $A = B^c \cap C$.

Thus all sets in collection (3) are contained in \mathcal{B}_2 .

It follows that the σ -algebra generated by collection (3), denote by \mathcal{B}_3 , is contained in \mathcal{B}_2 .

Proof Part 4

Define sets

$$A = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) : a_j < x_j \leq b_j \ (j = 1, 2, \dots, n)\}$$

$$A_k = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) : a_k < x_k \leq b_k\}$$

Note that every A_k is contained in \mathcal{B}_3 and $A = \bigcap_{k=1}^n A_k$.

Thus all sets in collection (4) are contained in \mathcal{B}_3 .

It follows that the σ -algebra generated by collection (4), denote by \mathcal{B}_4 , is contained in \mathcal{B}_3 .

Proof Part 5

Note that any open subset of \mathbb{R}^n can be written as a countable union of open rectangles and any open rectangle can be written as a countable union of rectangles in collection (4).

Thus all open subsets in \mathbb{R}^n are contained in \mathcal{B}_4 .

It follows that $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is contained in \mathcal{B}_4 .

Conclusion

We have proved that $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n) \subseteq \mathcal{B}_1 \subseteq \mathcal{B}_2 \subseteq \mathcal{B}_3 \subseteq \mathcal{B}_4 \subseteq \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

Thus the σ -algebra generated by each collection of sets is the Borel σ -algebra. ■

Notation (\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{F}) Let \mathcal{G} denote the set of all open subsets of \mathbb{R}^n and \mathcal{F} denote the set of all closed subsets of \mathbb{R}^n .

Notation ($\mathcal{F}_\delta, \mathcal{F}_\sigma$) \mathcal{F}_δ is the set of all intersections of collection of sets in \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{F}_σ is the set of all unions of collection of sets in \mathcal{F} .

- (1) Let \mathcal{S} be a non-empty collection of sets and let \mathcal{A} be an algebra generated by \mathcal{S} . Then for any set A in \mathcal{A} , there exists a sub-collection $\mathcal{S}'(A)$ of \mathcal{S} such that A is also in the algebra generated by \mathcal{S}' .

- (2) Let \mathcal{S} be a non-empty collection of sets and let \mathcal{A} be an σ -algebra generated by \mathcal{S} . Then for any set A in \mathcal{A} , there exists a sub-collection $\mathcal{S}'(A)$ of \mathcal{S} such that A is also in the σ -algebra generated by \mathcal{S}' .
- (3) (a) Any closed subset of \mathbb{R}^n is the intersection of some collection of open sets in \mathbb{R}^n .
- (b) Any open subset of \mathbb{R}^n is the union of some collection of closed sets in \mathbb{R}^n .
- (4) Let \mathcal{A} be an algebra on X . Then \mathcal{A} is also a σ -algebra if it satisfies any of the conditions listed below
- (a) \mathcal{A} is closed under the formation of the union of any increasing sequence of sets.
- (b) \mathcal{A} is closed under the formation of the intersection of any decreasing sequence of sets.
- (c) \mathcal{A} is closed under the formation of the union of any sequence of disjoint sets.

Proof.

Proof of (1)

Let $\{A_k\}$ be an arbitrary sequence of sets in \mathcal{A} .

Construct another sequence of sets $\{B_k\}$ by $B_n = \bigcup_{k=1}^n A_k$.

Then $\{B_k\}$ is increasing and we have $\bigcup_{k=1}^n B_k = \bigcup_{k=1}^n A_k$.

By assumption, $\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} B_k$ is in \mathcal{A} .

It follows that $\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k$ is also in \mathcal{A} .

Thus \mathcal{A} is closed under countable union.

By definition, \mathcal{A} is a σ -algebra.

Proof of (2)

Let $\{A_k\}$ be an arbitrary sequence of sets in \mathcal{A} .

Construct another sequence of sets $\{B_k\}$ by $B_n = \bigcap_{k=1}^n A_k$.

Then $\{B_k\}$ is decreasing and we have $\bigcap_{k=1}^n B_k = \bigcap_{k=1}^n A_k$.

By assumption, $\bigcap_{k=1}^n B_k$ is in \mathcal{A} .

It follows that $\bigcap_{k=1}^n A_k$ is also in \mathcal{A} .

Thus \mathcal{A} is closed under countable intersection.

By definition, \mathcal{A} is a σ -algebra.

Proof of (3)

Let $\{A_k\}$ be an arbitrary sequence of sets in \mathcal{A} .

Construct another sequence of sets $\{B_k\}$ by $B_1 = A_1$ and $B_k = A_k - A_{k-1}$ ($k \geq 2$).

Then $\{B_k\}$ is disjoint and we have $\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} B_k = \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k$.

By assumption, $\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} B_k$ is in \mathcal{A} .

It follows that $\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k$ is also in \mathcal{A} .

Thus \mathcal{A} is closed under countable union.

By definition \mathcal{A} is a σ -algebra.

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Chapter 2

Additive Set Functions and Measures

2.1 Additive Set Functions

Definition (Additive Set Functions). *Let \mathcal{A} be an algebra over some set X . Let ν be a set function on \mathcal{A} . We say that ν is **additive** if for any disjoint sets A and B in \mathcal{A} ,*

$$\nu(A \cup B) = \nu(A) + \nu(B)$$

Proposition 2.1.1. *Let ν is an additive set function, then $\nu(\emptyset) = 0$.*

Definition (Countably Additive Set Functions). *Let \mathcal{A} be an algebra on X . Let ν be a set function on \mathcal{A} . We say that ν is **countably additive** if it satisfies all of the conditions listed below.*

(1) $\nu(\emptyset) = 0$

(2)

$$\nu\left(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} S_k\right) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \nu(S_k)$$

Proposition 2.1.2. *Additive set functions cannot take on both $+\infty$ and $-\infty$ as values.*

Proof.

Let \mathcal{A} be an algebra on X and ν be an additive set function on \mathcal{A} .

Assume for the sake of contradiction that there exist sets A and B in \mathcal{A} such that

$$\nu(A) = +\infty$$

$$\nu(B) = -\infty$$

Define $S_1 = A - B$, $S_2 = A \cap B$, and $S_3 = B - A$. Then S_1 , S_2 , and S_3 are mutually disjoint.

By definition of additive set functions, we have

$$\nu(A) = \nu(S_1) + \nu(S_2) = +\infty \# (1)$$

$$\nu(B) = \nu(S_2) + \nu(S_3) = -\infty \# (2)$$

Case 1: $\nu(S_2)$ is finite. Say $\nu(S_2) = c$.

From equations (1) and (2), we get

$$\nu(S_1) = \nu(A) - \nu(S_2) = (+\infty) - c = +\infty \# (3)$$

$$\nu(S_3) = \nu(B) - \nu(S_2) = (-\infty) - c = -\infty \# (4)$$

Since S_1 and S_3 are disjoint, we should get

$$\nu(S_1 \cup S_3) = \nu(S_1) + \nu(S_3)$$

However, the RHS is $(+\infty) + (-\infty)$ and is not defined.

Thus a contradiction has occurred.

Case 2: $\nu(S_2)$ is infinite. Assume without loss of generality that $\nu(S_2) = +\infty$.

It follows from equation (4) that

$$\nu(S_3) = \nu(B) - \nu(S_2) = (-\infty) - (+\infty) = -\infty$$

Since S_2 and S_3 are disjoint, we should get

$$\nu(B) = \nu(S_2) + \nu(S_3)$$

However, the RHS is $(+\infty) + (-\infty)$ and is not defined.

Thus again a contradiction has occurred.

Thus ν cannot take on values $+\infty$ and $-\infty$ simultaneously. ■

2.2 Measures

Definition. (*Signed Measures*) Let \mathcal{M} be a σ -algebra on X . We define a **signed measure** on \mathcal{M} to be a set function μ on \mathcal{M} that satisfies all of the conditions listed below.

$$(1) \mu(\emptyset) = 0.$$

$$(2)$$

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} S_k\right) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \mu(S_k)$$

Definition. (*Measures*) Let \mathcal{M} be a σ -algebra on X . We define a **measure** on \mathcal{M} to be a set function μ on \mathcal{M} that satisfies all of the conditions listed below.

$$(1) \text{ (Non-negative) For any set } S \text{ in } \mathcal{M}, \text{ we have } \mu(S) \geq 0$$

$$(2) \mu(\emptyset) = 0.$$

Proposition 2.2.1.

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} S_k\right) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \mu(S_k)$$

$$\mu(B - A) = \mu(B) - \mu(A)$$

Proof.

Note that $B = A \cup (B - A)$ and that A and $(B - A)$ are disjoint.

By definition of measures, μ is countably additive and hence $\mu(B) = \mu(A) + \mu(B - A)$.

By definition of measures, μ is non-negative and hence $\mu(B - A) \geq 0$.

It follows that $\mu(A) \leq \mu(B)$.

If $\mu(A) \neq +\infty$, then we are allowed to subtract $\mu(A)$ from both sides.

Subtracting gives $\mu(B - A) = \mu(B) - \mu(A)$. ■

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k\right) \leq \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \mu(A_k)$$

Proof.

Construct another sequence of sets $\{B_k\}$ by $B_1 = A_1$ and $B_n = A_n - \bigcup_{k=1}^{n-1} A_k$ ($n \geq 2$).

Then $\{B_k\}$ is disjoint and we have

$$\bigcup_{k=1}^n B_k = \bigcup_{k=1}^n A_k \# (1)$$

$$B_k \subseteq A_k \# (2)$$

From (1), we automatically get

$$\mu(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} B_k) = \mu(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k) \# (3)$$

From (2), by the monotonicity of measures, we get

$$\mu(B_k) \leq \mu(A_k)$$

It follows that

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \mu(B_k) \leq \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \mu(A_k) \# (4)$$

By definition of measures, μ is countably additive and hence

$$\mu(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} B_k) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \mu(B_k) \# (5)$$

From (3) ~ (5), we get

$$\mu(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k) \leq \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \mu(A_k)$$

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- (1) Let (X, \mathcal{M}, μ) be a measure space. Then for any sets A and B in \mathcal{A} , we have $\mu(A \cup B) + \mu(A \cap B) = \mu(A) + \mu(B)$

Proof.

Note that $A \cup B = (A - B) \cup (A \cap B) \cup (B - A)$.

By the countable additivity of measures, we get

$$\mu(A \cup B) = \mu(A - B) + \mu(A \cap B) + \mu(B - A) \# (1)$$

Note that $A = (A - B) \cup (A \cap B)$ and $B = (B - A) \cup (A \cap B)$.

By the countable additivity of measures, we get

$$\mu(A) = \mu(A - B) + \mu(A \cap B) \# (2)$$

$$\mu(B) = \mu(B - A) + \mu(A \cap B) \#(3)$$

From (1) ~ (3), we get

$$\mu(A \cup B) + \mu(A \cap B) = \mu(A) + \mu(B)$$

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Definition. (*Point Mass*) Let \mathcal{A} be a σ -algebra on X and x be an element in X . We define a **point mass** concentrated at point x , denoted by δ_x , to be a set function on \mathcal{A} defined by

$$\delta_x(A) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in A \\ 0, & x \notin A \end{cases}$$

(1) Point masses are measures.

Proof.

By definition of point masses, they are non-negative.

For any element x in X , we have $x \notin \emptyset$. Thus $\delta_x(\emptyset) = 0$.

Let $\{A_k\}$ be an arbitrary sequence of disjoint sets in \mathcal{A} .

Let x be an element in $\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k$. Then x is in exactly one of A_k .

It follows that

$$\delta_x\left(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k\right) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \mu(A_k) = 1$$

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Chapter 3

Limits Theorems

Definition. (*Limits of Monotone Sequences of Sets*) Let $\{A_k\}$ be a sequence of subsets of X .

(1) If $\{A_k\}$ is increasing, we define the limit by

$$A_k = \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k$$

(2) If $\{A_k\}$ is decreasing, we define the limit by

$$A_k = \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k$$

Definition. (*Limit Superior and Limit Inferior*) Let $\{A_k\}$ be a sequence of subsets of X .

$$A_k = \bigcap_{m=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{k=m}^{\infty} A_k$$

$$A_k = \bigcup_{m=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{k=m}^{\infty} A_k$$

Definition. (*Convergence of Sequences of Sets*) Let $\{A_k\}$ be a sequence of subsets of X . We say that $\{A_k\}$ **converges** if $A_k = A_k$. In this case, we denote the common set by A and say that $\{A_k\}$ converges to A or symbolically $A_k = A$.

Proposition 3.0.1. Let $\{A_k\}$ be a sequence of subsets of X . Then

(1) $A_k = \{x : x \in A_k \text{ for infinitely many } k\}$

(2) $A_k = \{x : x \in A_k \text{ for all but finitely many } k\}$

Proof.

Proof of (1)

For one direction, let x be an arbitrary element in A_k .

By definition of limit superior, x is in each of the sets $S_m = \bigcup_{k=m}^{\infty} A_k$.

For $m = 1$, since $x \in S_1 = \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k$, there exists an index $k_1 \geq 1$ such that $x \in A_{k_1}$.

For $m = k_1 + 1$, since $x \in S_{k_1} = \bigcup_{k=k_1}^{\infty} A_k$, there exists an index $k_2 > k_1$ such that $x \in A_{k_2}$.

Repeat and get a subsequence $\{A_{n_k}\}$ of $\{A_k\}$ such that x is in each A_{n_k} .

For the reverse direction, let x be an arbitrary element such that $x \in A_k$ for infinitely many k .

Assume for the sake of contradiction that $x \notin A_k$.

Then there exists an integer m_0 such that $x \notin S_{m_0} = \bigcup_{k=m_0}^{\infty} A_k$.

It follows that x is not in each A_k for $k \geq m_0$.

This contradicts to the fact that $x \in A_k$ for infinitely many k .

Proof of (2)

For one direction, let x be an arbitrary element in A_k .

By definition of limit inferior, there exists an integer m_0 such that $x \in \bigcap_{k=m_0}^{\infty} A_k$.

It follows that x is in each A_k for $k \geq m_0$.

For the reverse direction, let x be an arbitrary element such that $x \in A_k$ for all but finitely many k .

Then there exists an integer m_0 such that $x \in A_k$ for each $k \geq m_0$.

It follows that $x \in \bigcap_{k=m_0}^{\infty} A_k$.

It follows that $x \in A_k$.

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Proposition 3.0.2. *Let $(X, \mathcal{M}_\mu, \mu)$ be a measure space and $\{A_k\}$ be a monotone sequence of sets in \mathcal{M}_μ . Then*

(1)

$$\mu(A_k) = \mu(A_k)$$

(2)

$$\mu(A_k) = \mu(A_k)$$

Proof.

Proof of (1)

Construct another sequence of sets $\{B_k\}$ by $B_1 = A_1$ and $B_n = A_n - \bigcup_{k=1}^{n-1} A_k$. Then $\{B_k\}$ is disjoint and we have

$$\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k = \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} B_k \# (1)$$

$$A_n = \bigcup_{k=1}^n B_k \# (2)$$

From (1), by the countable additivity of measures, we get

$$\mu(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \mu(B_k) \# (3)$$

From (2), by the countable additivity of measures again, we get

$$\mu(A_n) = \sum_{k=1}^n \mu(B_k)$$

It follows that

$$\mu(A_n) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \mu(B_k) \# (4)$$

From (3) and (4), we get

$$\mu(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k) = \mu(A_n)$$

Proof of (2)

Note that $\{A_k\}$ is decreasing. Thus we can assume without loss of generality that $N = 1$.

Construct another sequence of sets $\{B_k\}$ by $B_k = A_1 - A_k$.

Then $\{B_k\}$ is increasing and we have

$$\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k = A_1 - \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} B_k \# (1)$$

$$A_n = A_1 - B_n \# (2)$$

From (1), by the monotonicity of measures, we get

$$\mu(\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k) = \mu(A_1) - \mu(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} B_k)$$

Since $\{B_k\}$ is increasing, it follows that

$$\mu(\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k) = \mu(A_1) - \mu(B_n) \# (3)$$

From (2), by the monotonicity of measures again, we get

$$\mu(A_n) = \mu(A_1) - \mu(B_n)$$

It follows that

$$\mu(A_n) = \mu(A_1) - \mu(B_n) \# (4)$$

From (3) and (4), we get

$$\mu(\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k) = \mu(A_n)$$

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Proposition 3.0.3. *Let $(X, \mathcal{M}_\mu, \mu)$ be a measure space and $\{A_k\}$ be an arbitrary sequence of sets in \mathcal{M}_μ . Then*

$$(1) \mu(A_k) \leq \mu(A_k).$$

$$(2) \mu(A_k) \geq \mu(A_k) \text{ provided that } \mu(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k) < \infty.$$

$$(3) \mu(A_k) = \mu(A_k) \text{ provided that the sequence converges and } \mu(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k) < \infty.$$

Proof.

Proof of (1)

Define set S_m by $S_m = \bigcap_{k=m}^{\infty} A_k$. Then the sequence $\{S_m\}$ is non-decreasing and $S_m \subseteq A_m$ for each index m .

$$\mu(\bigcup_{m=1}^{\infty} S_m) = \mu(S_m) = \mu(S_k) \# (1)$$

$$\mu(S_m) \leq \mu(A_m)$$

$$\mu(S_k) \leq \mu(A_k) \# (2)$$

$$\mu(\bigcup_{m=1}^{\infty} S_m) \leq \mu(A_k)$$

$$\mu(A_k) \leq \mu(A_k)$$

Proof of (2)

Define set S_m by $S_m = \bigcup_{k=m}^{\infty} A_k$. Then the sequence $\{S_m\}$ is non-increasing with $\mu(S_1) < \infty$ and $A_m \subseteq S_m$ for each index m .

$$\mu(\bigcap_{m=1}^{\infty} S_m) = \mu(S_m) = \mu(S_k) \# (1)$$

$$\mu(S_m) \geq \mu(A_m)$$

$$\mu(S_k) \geq \mu(A_k) \# (2)$$

$$\mu(\bigcap_{m=1}^{\infty} S_m) \geq \mu(A_k)$$

$$\mu(A_k) \geq \mu(A_k)$$

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Proposition 3.0.4. *Let (X, \mathcal{A}) be a measurable space and μ be a finitely additive measure. Then μ is also a measure if it satisfies any of the conditions listed below.*

(1)

$$\mu(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k) = \mu(A_n)$$

(2)

$$\mu(A_k) = 0$$

Proof.

Proof of (1)

Let $\{B_k\}$ be a sequence of disjoint sets in \mathcal{A} .

Construct another sequence of sets $\{A_k\}$ by $A_n = \bigcup_{k=1}^n B_k$.

Then $\{A_k\}$ is increasing and we have

$$\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k = \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} B_k \# (1)$$

$$A_n = \bigcup_{k=1}^n B_k \# (2)$$

From (1), we get

$$\mu(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k) = \mu(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} B_k) \# (3)$$

From (2), by the finite additivity of μ , we get

$$\mu(A_n) = \sum_{k=1}^n \mu(B_k)$$

It follows that

$$\mu(A_n) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \mu(B_k) \# (4)$$

Apply condition (1) to $\{A_n\}$, we get

$$\mu(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k) = \mu(A_n) \# (5)$$

From (3) \sim (5), we get

$$\mu(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} B_k) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \mu(B_k)$$

Thus μ is countably additive.

By definition of measures, μ is a countably additive measure.

Proof of (2)

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Chapter 4

Variations and Decompositions

4.1 Variations

Definition. (*Variations*) Let \mathcal{A} be an algebra on X and ν be an additive set function on \mathcal{A} .

$$\overline{V}(\nu, S) = \sup\{\nu(S') : S' \in \mathcal{A}, S' \subseteq S\}$$

$$(\nu, S) = \inf\{\nu(S') : S' \in \mathcal{A}, S' \subseteq S\}$$

$$V(\nu, S) = \overline{V}(\nu, S) - (\nu, S)$$

Proposition 4.1.1.

(1) *Positive variations are non-negative.*

(2) *Negative variations are non-positive.*

Proof.

Let \mathcal{A} be an algebra on X and ν be an additive set function on \mathcal{A} .

Proof of (1)

Let S be a set in \mathcal{A} .

Since $\emptyset \subseteq S$, $\nu(\emptyset) \in \{\nu(S') : S' \in \mathcal{A}, S' \subseteq S\}$.

$$\nu(\emptyset) \leq \sup\{\nu(S') : S' \in \mathcal{A}, S' \subseteq S\} \# (*)$$

By definition of additive set functions, $\nu(\emptyset) = 0$.

By definition of positive variations, $\sup\{\nu(S') : S' \in \mathcal{A}, S' \subseteq S\} = \bar{V}(\nu, S)$.

Substitution gives $\bar{V}(\nu, S) \geq 0$.

Proof of (2)

Let S be a set in \mathcal{A} .

Since $\emptyset \subseteq S$, $\nu(\emptyset) \in \{\nu(S') : S' \in \mathcal{A}, S' \subseteq S\}$.

$$\nu(\emptyset) \geq \inf\{\nu(S') : S' \in \mathcal{A}, S' \subseteq S\} \# (*)$$

By definition of additive set functions, $\nu(\emptyset) = 0$.

By definition of negative variations, $(\nu, S) = \inf\{\nu(S') : S' \in \mathcal{A}, S' \subseteq S\}$.

Substitution gives $(\nu, S) \leq 0$.

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(1) Variations of additive set functions are also additive.

Proof. Let \mathcal{A} be an algebra on X and ν be an additive set function on \mathcal{A} .

Part 1: values at empty set

$$\bar{V}(\nu, \emptyset) = \sup\{\nu(\emptyset)\} = \nu(\emptyset) = 0 \setminus n(\nu, \emptyset) = \inf\{\nu(\emptyset)\} = \nu(\emptyset) = 0$$

Part 2: additivity

$$\bar{V}(\nu, A \cup B) \leq \bar{V}(\nu, A) + \bar{V}(\nu, B) \# (*) \setminus n \bar{V}(\nu, A \cup B) \geq \bar{V}(\nu, A) + \bar{V}(\nu, B) \# (**)$$

Let S be an arbitrary subset of $A \cup B$.

Since $S \subseteq A \cup B$ and A and B are disjoint, S can be written as $S = (S \cap A) \cup (S \cap B)$ and the sets $S \cap A$ and $S \cap B$ are disjoint.

$$\nu(S) = \nu(S \cap A) + \nu(S \cap B)$$

$$\nu(S \cap A) \leq \bar{V}(\nu, A) \setminus n \nu(S \cap B) \leq \bar{V}(\nu, B)$$

$$\nu(S) \leq \bar{V}(\nu, A) + \bar{V}(\nu, B)$$

$$\overline{V}(\nu, A \cup B) \leq \overline{V}(\nu, A) + \overline{V}(\nu, B) \#(*)$$

Let ε be an arbitrary positive number.

$$\nu(A') > \overline{V}(\nu, A) - \varepsilon/2$$

$$\nu(B') > \overline{V}(\nu, B) - \varepsilon/2$$

Define set S_0 by $S_0 = A' \cup B'$.

Since $A' \subseteq A$, $B' \subseteq B$, and A and B are disjoint, A' and B' are disjoint.

$$\nu(S_0) = \nu(A') + \nu(B')$$

Since $A' \subseteq A$, $B' \subseteq B$, and $S = A' \cup B'$, $S \subseteq A \cup B$.

$$\overline{V}(\nu, A \cup B) \geq \nu(S_0)$$

$$\overline{V}(\nu, A \cup B) \geq \overline{V}(\nu, A) + \overline{V}(\nu, B) - \varepsilon$$

$$\overline{V}(\nu, A \cup B) \geq \overline{V}(\nu, A) + \overline{V}(\nu, B) \#(**)$$

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(1) Variations of signed measures are still signed measures.

Proof.

Proof part (1): values at empty set

Let \mathcal{A} be a σ -algebra on set X and ν be a signed measure on \mathcal{A} .

Consider the empty set. Then the only subset is the empty set itself.

$$\overline{V}(\nu, \emptyset) = \sup\{\nu(\emptyset)\} = 0 \setminus n$$

Proof Part (2): countably additivity

Let $\{S_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ be an arbitrary sequence of disjoint sets in \mathcal{A} and let S denote their union.

$$\overline{V}(\nu, S) \leq \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \overline{V}(\nu, S_k) \#(*)$$

$$\bar{V}(v, S) \geq \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \bar{V}(v, S_k) \# (**)$$

Let S' be an arbitrary subset of S that is in \mathcal{A} and S'_k be an arbitrary subset of S_k that is in \mathcal{A} for each k .

$$S' = \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} (S' \cap S_k)$$

$$\nu(S' \cap S_k) \leq \nu(S_k)$$

Note that S_k is a subset of itself and is in \mathcal{A} .

$$\nu(S_k) \leq \sup\{\nu(S'_k) : S'_k \in \mathcal{A}, S'_k \subseteq S_k\}$$

$$\nu(S' \cap S_k) \leq \sup\{\nu(S'_k) : S'_k \in \mathcal{A}, S'_k \subseteq S_k\}$$

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \nu(S' \cap S_k) \leq \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \sup\{\nu(S'_k) : S'_k \in \mathcal{A}, S'_k \subseteq S_k\}$$

$$\nu(S') = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \nu(S' \cap S_k)$$

$$\nu(S') \leq \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \sup\{\nu(S'_k) : S'_k \in \mathcal{A}, S'_k \subseteq S_k\}$$

i.e., the RHS is an upper bound for the set $\{\nu(S') : S' \in \mathcal{A}, S' \subseteq S\}$.

$$\sup\{\nu(S') : S' \in \mathcal{A}, S' \subseteq S\} \leq \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \sup\{\nu(S'_k) : S'_k \in \mathcal{A}, S'_k \subseteq S_k\}$$

$$\bar{V}(\nu, S) \leq \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \bar{V}(\nu, S_k) \# (*)$$

Let ε be an arbitrary positive number.

$$\nu(S'_k) > \sup\{\nu(S'_k) : S'_k \in \mathcal{A}, S'_k \subseteq S_k\} - \varepsilon/2^k$$

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \nu(S'_k) > \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \sup\{\nu(S'_k) : S'_k \in \mathcal{A}, S'_k \subseteq S_k\} - \varepsilon$$

Note that $\{S'_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ are disjoint. Let S denote their union.

$$\begin{aligned}
\nu(S') &= \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \nu(S'_k) \\
\nu(S') &> \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \sup\{\nu(S'_k) : S'_k \in \mathcal{A}, S'_k \subseteq S_k\} - \varepsilon \\
\sup\{\nu(S') : S' \in \mathcal{A}, S' \subseteq S\} &\geq \nu(S') \\
\sup\{\nu(S') : S' \in \mathcal{A}, S' \subseteq S\} &> \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \sup\{\nu(S'_k) : S'_k \in \mathcal{A}, S'_k \subseteq S_k\} - \varepsilon \\
\sup\{\nu(S') : S' \in \mathcal{A}, S' \subseteq S\} &\geq \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \sup\{\nu(S'_k) : S'_k \in \mathcal{A}, S'_k \subseteq S_k\} \\
\overline{V}(v, S) &\geq \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \overline{V}(v, S_k) \#(**)
\end{aligned}$$

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4.2 Hahn Decomposition

- (1) (Hahn Decomposition) Let \mathcal{M} be a σ -algebra on X and let ν be a signed measure on \mathcal{M} . Then there exist sets P and N in \mathcal{M} such that
- (a) $P \cup N = X$ and $P \cap N = \emptyset$.
 - (b) For any set S with $S \in \mathcal{M}$ and $S \subseteq P$, we have $\nu(S) \geq 0$.
 - (c) For any set S with $S \in \mathcal{M}$ and $S \subseteq N$, we have $\nu(S) \leq 0$.

Definition. (Hahn Decomposition) We call the set P a positive set for ν , the set N a negative set for ν , and the set pair (P, N) a Hahn decomposition for ν .

4.3 Jordan Decomposition

$$\nu(S) = \overline{V}(\nu, S) + (\nu, S)$$

Chapter 5

Outer Measures

Definition. (*Outer Measure*) Let $\mathcal{P}(X)$ be the set of all subsets of X . We define an **outer measure** on X , denoted by μ^* , to be the set function on \mathcal{P} that satisfies

- (1) μ^* is non-negative.
- (2) $\mu^*(\emptyset) = 0$.
- (3) μ^* is monotone.
- (4) μ^* is countably sub-additive.

Definition. (*Lebesgue Outer Measure*) Let A be a subset of \mathbb{R}^n and \mathcal{C}_A be the set of all sequences $\{R_k\}$ of bounded open n -dimensional intervals such that $A \subseteq \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} R_k$. We define the **Lebesgue outer measure** of A , denoted by $\lambda^*(A)$, by

$$\lambda^*(A) = \inf \left\{ \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \text{vol}(R_k) : \{R_k\} \in \mathcal{C}_A \right\}$$

Proposition 5.0.1. *The Lebesgue outer measure is an outer measure.*

Proof.

Proof Part (1)

Since each of $\text{vol}(R_k)$ is non-negative, $\lambda^*(A)$ is non-negative.

Proof Part (2)

Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be arbitrary.

Construct a sequence $\{R_k\}$ of bounded open n -dimensional intervals by

$$R_k = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) : 0 < x_j < \sqrt[n]{\frac{\varepsilon}{2^k}} \ (j = 1, 2, \dots, n)\}$$

Then $\emptyset \subseteq \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} R_k$ and we have

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \text{vol}(R_k) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{\varepsilon}{2^k} = \varepsilon$$

By definition of infimum, we get $\lambda^*(\emptyset) = 0$.

Proof Part (3): Monotonicity

Let A and B be arbitrary subsets of \mathbb{R}^n with $A \subseteq B$.

Then every sequence of open n -dimensional intervals that covers B also covers A .

It follows that $\mathcal{C}_B \subseteq \mathcal{C}_A$.

Then

$$\left\{ \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \text{vol}(R_k) : \{R_k\} \subseteq \mathcal{C}_B \right\} \subseteq \left\{ \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \text{vol}(R_k) : \{R_k\} \subseteq \mathcal{C}_A \right\}$$

Then

$$\lambda^*(A) = \inf \left\{ \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \text{vol}(R_k) : \{R_k\} \subseteq \mathcal{C}_A \right\} \leq \lambda^*(B) = \inf \left\{ \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \text{vol}(R_k) : \{R_k\} \subseteq \mathcal{C}_B \right\}$$

Proof Part (4): Countable Sub-additivity

Let $\{A_k\}$ be an arbitrary sequence of subsets of \mathbb{R}^n and let $\varepsilon > 0$ be arbitrary.

For each A_k , construct a sequence of open n -dimensional intervals $\{R_{k,j}\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$ that covers A_k and that

$$\lambda^*(A_k) \leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \text{vol}(R_{k,j}) < \lambda^*(A_k) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2^k}$$

Consider the union of the sequences $\{R_{k,j}\}_{k,j}$. Then it covers $\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k$ and we have

$$\sum_{k,j} \text{vol}(R_{k,j}) < \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \lambda^*(A_k) + \varepsilon$$

Since $\varepsilon > 0$ is arbitrary, we get

$$\sum_{k,j} \text{vol}(R_{k,j}) \leq \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \lambda^*(A_k)$$

By the definition of infimum, we get

$$\inf \left\{ \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \text{vol}(R_k) : \{R_k\} \in \mathcal{C} \left(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k \right) \right\} \leq \sum_{k,j} \text{vol}(R_{k,j})$$

It follows that

$$\lambda^* \left(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k \right) \leq \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \lambda^*(A_k)$$

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- (1) The Lebesgue outer measure on \mathbb{R}^n assigns to each n -dimensional interval its volume.

Definition (Outer Measurable Sets). *Let μ^* be an outer measure on X . Let M be a subset of X . We say that M is measurable with respect to μ^* if for any subset A of X , we have*

$$\mu^*(A) = \mu^*(A \cap M) + \mu^*(A \cap M^c)$$

Proposition 5.0.2. *Let μ^* be an outer measure on X . Let S be a subset of X . Then S is μ^* -measurable if either $\mu^*(S) = 0$ or $\mu^*(S^c) = 0$.*

Proof.

Let A be an arbitrary subset of X .

Note that $A = (A \cap S) \cup (A \cap S^c)$.

By the sub-additivity of μ^* , we get

$$\mu^*(A) \leq \mu^*(A \cap S) + \mu^*(A \cap S^c) \quad (*)$$

By the monotonicity of μ^* , we get

$$\mu^*(A \cap S) \leq \min\{\mu^*(A), \mu^*(S)\}$$

$$\mu^*(A \cap S^c) \leq \min\{\mu^*(A), \mu^*(S^c)\}$$

Adding both sides gives

$$\mu^*(A \cap S) + \mu^*(A \cap S^c) \leq \min\{\mu^*(A), \mu^*(S)\} + \min\{\mu^*(A), \mu^*(S^c)\}$$

Rearranging gives

$$\mu^*(A \cap S) + \mu^*(A \cap S^c) \leq \mu^*(A) + \min\{\mu^*(S), \mu^*(S^c)\}$$

By assumption, we get $\min\{\mu^*(S), \mu^*(S^c)\} = 0$. Substituting gives

$$\mu^*(A \cap S) + \mu^*(A \cap S^c) \leq \mu^*(A) \# (**)$$

From inequations (*) and (**), we get

$$\mu^*(A) = \mu^*(A \cap S) + \mu^*(A \cap S^c)$$

By definition of outer measurable, S is μ^* -measurable. ■

- (1) The sets \emptyset and X are outer measurable for any outer measure on X .
- (2) Let μ^* be an outer measure on X and S be a subset of X . If S is μ^* -measurable, then S^c is also μ^* -measurable.
- (1) Let μ^* be an outer measure on X and let \mathcal{M}_{μ^*} be the set of all μ^* -measurable subsets of X . Then
 - (a) \mathcal{M}_{μ^*} is a σ -algebra.
 - (b) The restriction of μ^* to \mathcal{M}_{μ^*} is a measure on \mathcal{M}_{μ^*} .

Proof of (1)

By Proposition 4.4, the sets \emptyset and X are in \mathcal{M}_{μ^*} .

By Proposition 4.5, \mathcal{M}_{μ^*} is closed under complement.

Definition (Lebesgue Measurable Sets). *We define the **Lebesgue measurable sets** to be the Lebesgue outer measurable subsets of \mathbb{R}^n .*

Definition (Lebesgue Measure on $(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathcal{M}_{\lambda^*})$). *We define the **Lebesgue measure** on $(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathcal{M}_{\lambda^*})$, denoted by λ_n , to be the Lebesgue outer measure on \mathbb{R}^n , restricted to the set of Lebesgue measurable subsets of \mathbb{R}^n .*

Proposition 5.0.3. *A subset S of \mathbb{R} is Lebesgue measurable if and only if for any open subinterval I of \mathbb{R} , we have $\lambda^*(I) = \lambda^*(I \cap S) + \lambda^*(I \cap S^c)$.*

Proposition 5.0.4. *Borel subsets of \mathbb{R}^n are Lebesgue measurable.*

Definition (Lebesgue Measure on $(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n))$). *We define the **Lebesgue measure** on $(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n))$, denoted also by λ_n , to be the Lebesgue outer measure on \mathbb{R}^n , restricted to Borel subsets of \mathbb{R}^n .*

Proposition 5.0.5. *Let μ be a finite measure on $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$. Let F_μ be a function $F_\mu: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $F_\mu(x) = \mu((-\infty, x))$. Then F_μ is bounded, non-decreasing, and right-continuous and satisfies $F_\mu(x) = 0$.*

Proposition 5.0.6. *For any bounded, non-decreasing, and right-continuous function $F: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ that satisfies $F(x) = 0$, there exists a unique finite measure μ on $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$ such that $F(x) = \mu((-\infty, x))$.*

Proposition 5.0.7. *Let μ be a finite measure on $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$ and F_μ be a function from \mathbb{R} to \mathbb{R} defined by $F_\mu(x) = \mu((-\infty, x))$. Then we have the followings.*

- (1) $\mu((-\infty, c)) = F_\mu(c^-)$
- (2) $\mu(\{c\}) = F_\mu(c) - F_\mu(c^-)$
- (3) $\mu((a, b)) = F_\mu(b) - F_\mu(a)$
- (4) $\mu((a, b)) = F_\mu(b^-) - F_\mu(a^-)$
- (5) $\mu((a, b)) = F_\mu(b^-) - F_\mu(a)$
- (6) $\mu((a, b)) = F_\mu(b) - F_\mu(a^-)$

Chapter 6

Lebesgue Measure

6.1 Lebesgue Measure on the Line

$$\lambda^*(S) = \inf\{\lambda(S')\}.$$

$$\lambda_*(S) = \sup\{\lambda(S')\}.$$

Definition. (*Lebesgue Measurable, Lebesgue Measure*) Let S be a subset of \mathbb{R} . If S is bounded, we say that S is **Lebesgue measurable** if $\lambda^*(S) = \lambda_*(S)$. If S is unbounded, we say that S is Lebesgue measurable if the set $S \cap I$ is measurable for any interval I . In this case, we define the **Lebesgue measure** of S , denoted by $\lambda(S)$, to be the common number.

Proposition 6.1.1.

$$\lambda_*(S) + \lambda^*((a, b) - S) = b - a.$$

Proposition 6.1.2 (Monotonicity). *Both the Lebesgue outer measure and the Lebesgue inner measure are monotonic.*

Proposition 6.1.3 (Translation Invariant). *Both the Lebesgue outer measure and the Lebesgue inner measure are translation invariant.*

Proposition 6.1.4. (1) *Open subsets of \mathbb{R} are Lebesgue measurable.*

(2) *Closed and bounded subsets of \mathbb{R} are Lebesgue measurable.*

Proposition 6.1.5 (Regularity). *Let A be a Lebesgue measurable subset of \mathbb{R}^n . Then*

(1) $\lambda(A) = \inf\{\lambda(U)\}$ where the infimum is taken over all open sets U that contains A .

(2) $\lambda(A) = \sup\{\lambda(K)\}$ where the supremum is taken over all compact sets K that is contained in A .

Proof.

Proof of (1)

By the monotonicity of Lebesgue measure, for any open set U that contains A , we have

$$\lambda(U) \geq \lambda(A) \quad \#(1)$$

Let ε be an arbitrary positive number.

By definition of infimum, there exists a sequence $\{R_k\}$ of open n -dimensional intervals that covers A and that

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \text{vol}(R_k) < \lambda(A) + \varepsilon \quad \#(2)$$

Define set U_0 to be the union of $\{R_k\}$. Then U_0 is open and U_0 contains A .

By the sub-additivity of measures, we have

$$\lambda(U_0) = \lambda(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} R_k) \leq \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \lambda(R_k) \quad \#(3)$$

By definition of Lebesgue measure, we have

$$\lambda(R_k) = \text{vol}(R_k) \quad \#(4)$$

From (in)equations (2) ~ (4), we get

$$\lambda(U_0) < \lambda(A) + \varepsilon \quad \#(5)$$

From inequations (1) and (5), by definition of infimum, we get

$$\lambda(A) = \inf\{\lambda(U)\}$$

Proof of (2)

By the monotonicity of Lebesgue measure, we get

$$\lambda(K) \leq \lambda(A)$$

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- (1) The Lebesgue measure on $(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n))$ is the only measure on $(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n))$ that assigns to each n -dimensional intervals its volume.
- (2) The Lebesgue outer measure on \mathbb{R}^n is translation invariant.
- (3) Let μ be a measure on $(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n))$. Suppose that μ is finite on bounded Borel subsets of \mathbb{R}^n and is translation invariant. Then there exists a positive number c such that for any set Borel subset B of \mathbb{R}^n , we have $\mu(B) = c\lambda(B)$.
- (1) There exists a subset of $(0, 1)$ that is not Lebesgue measurable.

Chapter 7

Completeness

Definition. (Completeness) Let (X, \mathcal{M}, μ) be a measure space. We say that μ is complete and that (X, \mathcal{M}, μ) is a complete measure space if for any zero-measure set S in \mathcal{M} , any subset S' is also in \mathcal{M} .

Definition. (Completion) Let (X, \mathcal{M}, μ) be a measure space. Define sets \mathcal{Z} and $\overline{\mathcal{M}}$ by

$$\mathcal{Z} = \{Z \in \mathcal{M} : \exists N \in \mathcal{M}, Z \subseteq N, \mu(N) = 0\}$$

$$\overline{\mathcal{M}} = \{M \cup Z : M \in \mathcal{M}, Z \in \mathcal{Z}\}$$

Then we define the **completion** $\overline{\mu}$ of μ to be a set function on $\overline{\mathcal{M}}$ given by

$$\overline{\mu}(M \cup Z) = \mu(M)$$

- (1) (a) $\overline{\mathcal{M}}$ is a σ -algebra.
(b) $\overline{\mu}$ is a measure.
(c) $\overline{\mu}$ is complete.

Proof.

Proof of (1)

By definition of set \mathcal{Z} , one can easily prove that the sets \emptyset and X are in \mathcal{Z} .

By definition of measures, the sets \emptyset and X are also in \mathcal{M} .

It follows from the definition of set $\overline{\mathcal{M}}$ that the sets \emptyset and X are in $\overline{\mathcal{M}}$.

Let S be an arbitrary set in $\overline{\mathcal{M}}$. Then S can be written as $S = M \cup Z$.

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Chapter 8

Measurable Functions

Definition. (*Measurable Functions*) Let X be a non-empty set and f be a function $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^*$. We say that f is measurable if it satisfies any of the 4 equivalent conditions listed below.

- (1) $f^{-1}((-\infty, c))$ is a measurable set for any real number c .
- (2) $f^{-1}((-\infty, c])$ is a measurable set for any real number c .
- (3) $f^{-1}((c, +\infty))$ is a measurable set for any real number c .
- (4) $f^{-1}([c, +\infty))$ is a measurable set for any real number c .

Notations For a real-valued function f , we define

$$f^+(x) = \max\{f(x), 0\}$$

$$f^-(x) = -\min\{f(x), 0\}$$

$$|f|(x) = |f(x)|$$

- (1) (a) Constant functions are measurable.
- (b) If f is measurable, then the inverse image of any interval is measurable.
- (c) If f is measurable, then the inverse image of any open subset of \mathbb{R}^* is measurable.

- (2) If f is measurable, then the functions f^+ , f^- , and $|f|$ are measurable.
- (3) Let f be a measurable function. Then af is measurable for any real number a .
- (4) Let f and g be measurable functions. Then $f + g$ is measurable provided that the sum $f(x) + g(x)$ is everywhere defined.
- (5) (Measurability of Products) Let f and g be measurable functions. Then fg is measurable.
- (6) Let $\{f_k\}$ be a sequence of measurable functions. Then the functions listed below are all measurable.
 - (a)