

# Title

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## 1 Measure Theory

### 1.1 Useful Techniques

- $s = \inf \{x \in X\} \implies$  for every  $\varepsilon$  there is an  $x \in X$  such that  $x \leq s + \varepsilon$ .
- Always consider bounded sets, and if  $E$  is unbounded write  $E = \bigcup_n B_n(0) \cap E$  and use countable subadditivity or continuity of measure.

### 1.2 Definitions

**Definition (Outer Measure)** The outer measure of a set is given by

$$m_*(E) := \inf_{\substack{\{Q_i\} \supset E \\ \text{closed cubes}}} \sum |Q_i|.$$

**Definition (Limsup and Liminf of Sets)**

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_n A_n &:= \bigcap_n \bigcup_{j \geq n} A_j = \left\{ x \mid x \in A_n \text{ for inf. many } n \right\} \\ \liminf_n A_n &:= \bigcup_n \bigcap_{j \geq n} A_j = \left\{ x \mid x \in A_n \text{ for all except fin. many } n \right\} \end{aligned}$$

**Definition (Lebesgue Measurable Set)** A subset  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is *Lebesgue measurable* iff for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists an open set  $O \supseteq E$  such that  $m_*(O \setminus E) < \varepsilon$ . In this case, we define  $m(E) := m_*(E)$ .

### 1.3 Theorems

**Lemma** Every open subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  (resp  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ) can be written as a unique countable union of disjoint (resp. almost disjoint) intervals (resp. cubes).

**Lemma (Properties of Outer Measure)**

- Monotonicity:  $E \subseteq F \implies m_*(E) \leq m_*(F)$ .
- Countable Subadditivity:  $m_*(\bigcup E_i) \leq \sum m_*(E_i)$ .
- Approximation: For all  $E$  there exists a  $G \supseteq E$  such that  $m_*(G) \leq m_*(E) + \varepsilon$ .
- Disjoint<sup>1</sup> Additivity:  $m_*(A \amalg B) = m_*(A) + m_*(B)$ .

**Lemma (Subtraction of Measure)**

$$m(A) = m(B) + m(C) \quad \text{and} \quad m(C) < \infty \implies m(A) - m(C) = m(B).$$

**Lemma (Continuity of Measure)**

$$\begin{aligned} E_i \nearrow E &\implies m(E_i) \longrightarrow m(E) \\ m(E_1) < \infty \text{ and } E_i \searrow E &\implies m(E_i) \longrightarrow m(E). \end{aligned}$$

**Proof** 1. Break into disjoint annuli  $A_2 = E_2 \setminus E_1$ , etc then apply countable disjoint additivity to  $E = \amalg A_i$ .

2. Use  $E_1 = (\amalg E_j \setminus E_{j+1}) \amalg (\bigcap E_j)$ , taking measures yields a telescoping sum, and use countable disjoint additivity.

**Theorem** Suppose  $E$  is measurable; then for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

1. There exists an open  $O \supset E$  with  $m(O \setminus E) < \varepsilon$
2. There exists a closed  $F \subset E$  with  $m(E \setminus F) < \varepsilon$
3. There exists a compact  $K \subset E$  with  $m(E \setminus K) < \varepsilon$ .

**Proof**

- (1): Take  $\{Q_i\} \rightrightarrows E$  and set  $O = \bigcup Q_i$ .
- (2): Since  $E^c$  is measurable, produce  $O \supset E^c$  with  $m(O \setminus E^c) < \varepsilon$ .
  - Set  $F = O^c$ , so  $F$  is closed.
  - Then  $F \subset E$  by taking complements of  $O \supset E^c$
  - $E \setminus F = O \setminus E^c$  and taking measures yields  $m(E \setminus F) < \varepsilon$
- (3): Pick  $F \subset E$  with  $m(E \setminus F) < \varepsilon/2$ .
  - Set  $K_n = F \cap \mathbb{D}_n$ , a ball of radius  $n$  about 0.
  - Then  $E \setminus K_n \searrow E \setminus F$
  - Since  $m(E) < \infty$ , there is an  $N$  such that  $n \geq N \implies m(E \setminus K_n) < \varepsilon$ .

**Lemma** Lebesgue measure is translation and dilation invariant.

**Proof** Obvious for cubes; if  $Q_i \rightrightarrows E$  then  $Q_i + k \rightrightarrows E + k$ , etc.

**Theorem (Non-Measurable Sets)** There is a non-measurable set.

Flesh out this proof.

<sup>1</sup>This holds for outer measure **iff**  $\text{dist}(A, B) > 0$ .

**Proof**

- Use AOC to choose one representative from every coset of  $\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Q}$  on  $[0, 1)$ , which is countable, and assemble them into a set  $N$
- Enumerate the rationals in  $[0, 1]$  as  $q_j$ , and define  $N_j = N + q_j$ . These intersect trivially.
- Define  $M := \coprod N_j$ , then  $[0, 1) \subseteq M \subseteq [-1, 2)$ , so the measure must be between 1 and 3. By translation invariance,  $m(N_j) = m(N)$ , and disjoint additivity forces  $m(M) = 0$ , a contradiction.

**Proposition (Borel Characterization of Measurable Sets)** If  $E$  is Lebesgue measurable, then  $E = H \coprod N$  where  $H \in F_\sigma$  and  $N$  is null.

**Useful technique:**  $F_\sigma$  sets are Borel, so establish something for Borel sets and use this to extend it to Lebesgue.

**Proof** For every  $\frac{1}{n}$  there exists a closed set  $K_n \subset E$  such that  $m(E \setminus K_n) \leq \frac{1}{n}$ . Take  $K = \bigcup K_n$ , wlog  $K_n \nearrow K$  so  $m(K) = \lim m(K_n) = m(E)$ . Take  $N := E \setminus K$ , then  $m(N) = 0$ .

**Lemma** If  $A_n$  are all measurable,  $\limsup A_n$  and  $\liminf A_n$  are measurable.

**Proof** Measurable sets form a sigma algebra, and these are expressed as countable unions/intersections of measurable sets.

**Theorem (Borel-Cantelli)** Let  $\{E_k\}$  be a countable collection of measurable sets. Then

$$\sum_k m(E_k) < \infty \implies \text{almost every } x \in \mathbb{R} \text{ is in at most finitely many } E_k.$$

**Proof**

- If  $E = \limsup_j E_j$  with  $\sum m(E_j) < \infty$  then  $m(E) = 0$ .
- If  $E_j$  are measurable, then  $\limsup_j E_j$  is measurable.
- If  $\sum_j m(E_j) < \infty$ , then  $\sum_{j=N}^{\infty} m(E_j) \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} 0$  as the tail of a convergent sequence.
- $E = \limsup_j E_j = \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{j=k}^{\infty} E_j \implies E \subseteq \bigcup_{j=k}^{\infty} E_j$  for all  $k$
- $E \subseteq \bigcup_{j=k}^{\infty} E_j \implies m(E) \leq \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} m(E_j) \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty} 0$ .

**Lemma**

- Characteristic functions are measurable
- If  $f_n$  are measurable, so are  $|f_n|$ ,  $\limsup f_n$ ,  $\liminf f_n$ ,  $\lim f_n$ ,
- Sums and differences of measurable functions are measurable,
- Cones  $F(x, y) = f(x)$  are measurable,
- Compositions  $f \circ T$  for  $T$  a linear transformation are measurable,
- “Convolution-ish” transformations  $(x, y) \mapsto f(x - y)$  are measurable

**Proof (Convolution)** Take the cone on  $f$  to get  $F(x, y) = f(x)$ , then compose  $F$  with the linear transformation  $T = [1, -1; 1, 0]$ .