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# ANALYSIS 4 NOTES

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# I Measure

## MOTIVATION

In Analysis 3, we will formalize the concept of measure and study integration further. As motivation, consider the lower and upper Riemann integral:

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{\int_a^b} f(x)dx &:= \inf \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n \sup_{f_{[x_{i-1}, x_i]}} (x_i - x_{i-1}) \right\} \\ \underline{\int_a^b} f(x)dx &:= \sup \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n \inf_{f_{[x_{i-1}, x_i]}} (x_i - x_{i-1}) \right\}\end{aligned}$$

where  $a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n = b$ . Recall that  $f$  is called Riemann integrable if  $\overline{\int_a^b} f = \underline{\int_a^b} f$ , and we write instead  $\int_a^b f$ . Note that not all functions are integrable in this sense.

Consider  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f(x) = 1$  if  $x \in \mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1]$  and 0 otherwise. Since  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $\mathbb{Q}^c$  are both dense in  $\mathbb{R}$ , and in particular  $[0, 1]$ , we conclude that  $\overline{\int_a^b} f = 1$  and  $\underline{\int_a^b} f = 0$ . Thus,  $f$  is not Riemann integrable.

We introduce the Lebesgue integral as an alternative. Let  $A_i := \{x \in [a, b] : y_i \leq f(x) < y_{i+1}\}$ , where the  $y_i$ 's are increasing. See that now  $\sum y_i |A_i| \approx \int_a^b f$ . The following questions arise from this:

1. What is the “size” of  $A_i$ ?
2. What sets *can* we measure?

## $\sigma$ -ALGEBRAS

Let  $X$  be a non-empty set, and let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a collection of subsets of  $X$ . We call  $\mathcal{F}$  a  $\sigma$ -algebra of subsets of  $X$  if the following hold:

1.  $X \in \mathcal{F}$ .
2. If  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $A^c \in \mathcal{F}$  (“closed under compliments”).
3. If  $\{A_n : n \geq 1\} \subseteq \mathcal{F}$ , then  $\cup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \in \mathcal{F}$  (“closed under countable unions”).

We can derive the following from these axioms:

PROP. 1.1

1.  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{F}$

2. If  $\{A_n : n \geq 1\} \subseteq \mathcal{F}$ , then  $\cap_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \mathcal{F}$
3. If  $A_1, \dots, A_N \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $\cap A_i$  and  $\cup A_i \in \mathcal{F}$
4. If  $A, B \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $A \setminus B$ ,  $B \setminus A$ , and  $A \Delta B \in \mathcal{F}$

$$A \Delta B := (A \setminus B) \cup (B \setminus A)$$

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For a set  $X$ , consider  $\mathcal{F} = 2^X := \{A : A \subseteq X\}$ , the powerset of  $X$ . This is the largest  $\sigma$ -algebra of  $X$ . The smallest one can construct is  $\mathcal{F} = \{\emptyset, X\}$ . If we'd like to include a particular subset of  $X$ , say  $A$ , we can write  $\mathcal{F} = \{\emptyset, X, A, A^c\}$ .

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Let  $X$  be a space and  $\mathcal{C}$  be a collection of subsets of  $X$ . The  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by  $\mathcal{C}$ , denoted by  $\sigma(\mathcal{C})$ , is defined by the following:

1.  $\sigma(\mathcal{C})$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra with  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \sigma(\mathcal{C})$
2. If  $\mathcal{F}$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra with  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{F}$ , then  $\mathcal{F} \supseteq \sigma(\mathcal{C})$ .

We also say that  $\sigma(\mathcal{C})$  is the “ $\sigma$ -algebra generated by  $\mathcal{C}$ ”

In other words,  $\sigma(\mathcal{C})$  is the smallest  $\sigma$ -algebra which contains  $\mathcal{C}$ . From the example above, we can write  $\sigma(A) = \{\emptyset, X, A, A^c\}$ .

PROP 1.2

We can state the following about  $\sigma$ -algebras generated by  $\mathcal{C}$ :

1.  $\sigma(\mathcal{C}) = \cap \{\mathcal{F} : \mathcal{F} \text{ is a } \sigma\text{-algebra, } \mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{F}\}$
2. If  $\mathcal{C}$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra, then  $\sigma(\mathcal{C}) = \mathcal{C}$
3. If  $\mathcal{C}_1$  and  $\mathcal{C}_2$  are such that  $\mathcal{C}_1 \subseteq \mathcal{C}_2$ , then  $\sigma(\mathcal{C}_1) \subseteq \sigma(\mathcal{C}_2)$ .