

## Some Topics in Measure Theory

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### 1 Introduction

This is a collection of concepts in measure theory that serves as my crash course to the subject. Read at your own risk!!!

### 2 Some Theorems on Subsets of $\mathbb{R}^n$

**Theorem 2.1.** *Every open subset  $\mathcal{O}$  of  $\mathbb{R}$  can be written uniquely as a countable union of disjoint open intervals.*

**Theorem 2.2.** *Every open subset  $\mathcal{O}$  of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $d \geq 1$ , can be written as a countable union of almost disjoint closed cubes.*

### 3 Exterior measure

**Definition 3.1.** *If  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$ , then the exterior measure of  $E$  is*

$$m_*(E) = \inf \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |Q_j| \in [0, \infty]$$

*where the infimum is taken over all countable coverings  $E \subseteq \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} Q_j$  by closed cubes.*

**Proposition 3.1.** (Monotonicity) If  $E_1 \subset E_2$  then  $m_*(E_1) \leq m_*(E_2)$ .

**Proposition 3.2.** (Countable Sub-additivity) If  $E = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} E_j$  then  $m_*(E) \leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} m_*(E_j)$ .

**Proposition 3.3.** If  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $m_*(E) \leq \inf m_*(\mathcal{O})$  where the infimum is taken over all open  $\mathcal{O} \supseteq E$ .

**Proposition 3.4.** If  $E = E_1 \cup E_2$  and  $d(E_1, E_2) > 0$  then  $m_*(E) = m_*(E_1) + m_*(E_2)$ .

**Proposition 3.5.** If  $E$  is a countable union of almost disjoint cubes  $E = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} Q_i$  then  $m_*(E) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |Q_i|$ .

### 4 Measurable sets and the Lebesgue measure

**Definition 4.1** (Lebesgue measurable). *A subset  $E$  of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  is Lebesgue measurable if for any  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists an open set  $\mathcal{O}$  containing  $E$  such that*

$$m_*(\mathcal{O} \setminus E) \leq \epsilon,$$

*in which case, the Lebesgue measure of  $E$  is given by*

$$m(E) = m_*(E).$$

**Proposition 4.1.** Every open set in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  is measurable.

**Proposition 4.2.** If  $m_*(E) = 0$  then  $E$  is measurable. In particular, if  $F \subseteq E$  with  $m_*(E) = 0$  then  $F$  is measurable.

**Proposition 4.3.** A countable union of measurable sets is measurable.

**Proposition 4.4.** Closed sets are measurable.

**Proposition 4.5.** The complement of a measurable set is measurable.

**Proposition 4.6.** A countable intersection of measurable sets is measurable.

**Theorem 4.2.** If  $E_1, \dots$ , are disjoint measurable sets, and  $E = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i$  then

$$m(E) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} m(E_i)$$

**Corollary 4.3.** Suppose  $E_1, \dots$ , are measurable subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ ,

- If  $E_k \uparrow E$  then  $m(E) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m(E_n)$ .
- If  $E_k \downarrow E$  and  $m(E_k) < \infty$  for some  $k$  then  $m(E) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m(E_n)$ .

**Theorem 4.4.** If  $E$  is a measurable subset of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  then for every  $\epsilon > 0$ ,

- There exists an open set  $\mathcal{O}$  with  $E \subseteq \mathcal{O}$  and  $m(\mathcal{O} \setminus E) \leq \epsilon$ .
- There exists a closed set  $F$  with  $F \subseteq E$  and  $m(E \setminus F) \leq \epsilon$ .
- If  $m(E)$  is finite, there exists a compact set  $K$  with  $K \subseteq E$  and  $m(E \setminus K) \leq \epsilon$ .
- If  $m(E)$  is finite, then there exists a finite union  $F = \bigcup_{i=1}^N Q_i$  of closed cubes such that  $m(E \Delta F) \leq \epsilon$ , where the notation  $E \Delta F$  stands for the symmetric difference between the sets  $E$  and  $F$ :

$$E \Delta F = (E \setminus F) \cup (F \setminus E).$$

**Corollary 4.5.** A subset  $E$  of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  is measurable

- if and only if  $E$  differs from a  $G_\delta$  set by a set of measure zero. Here a  $G_\delta$  set is a countable intersection of open sets,
- if and only if  $E$  differs from a  $F_\sigma$  by a set of measure zero. Here an  $F_\sigma$  set is a countable union of closed sets.

## 5 $\sigma$ -algebra

**Definition 5.1.** Consider a set  $X$  and its power set  $\mathcal{P}(X)$ . A set  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X)$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra if

- $\emptyset, X \in \mathcal{A}$
- $A \in \mathcal{A} \implies A^c = X \setminus A \in \mathcal{A}$ .
- $A_j \in \mathcal{A}, i \in \mathbb{N} \implies \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \mathcal{A}$ .

Any set  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  is called an  $\mathcal{A}$ -measurable set.

**Remark 1.** If  $\mathcal{A}_i$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra on  $X$ , then for  $i \in I$  where  $I$  is any index set, then  $\bigcap_{i \in I} \mathcal{A}_i$  is also a  $\sigma$ -algebra on  $X$ .

This is important especially when we want to construct some  $\sigma$ -algebra that has all the properties of other  $\sigma$ -algebras.

## 6 Borel $\sigma$ -algebra

**Definition 6.1.** For  $\mathcal{M} \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$ , there is a smallest  $\sigma$ -algebra that contains  $\mathcal{M}$ :

$$\sigma(\mathcal{M}) := \bigcap_{\mathcal{A} \supseteq \mathcal{M}} \mathcal{A}, \quad \mathcal{A} \text{ is a } \sigma\text{-algebra}$$

called the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by  $\mathcal{M}$ .

**Definition 6.2.** Let  $X$  be a topological space (or a metric space, or a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ), so that we have “open sets.” The Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{B}(X)$  is the smallest  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by the open sets.

## 7 Measure(able) space

**Definition 7.1.** Consider a set  $X$  and a  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  on  $X$ .  $(X, \mathcal{A})$  is a measurable space. The map  $\mu : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow [0, \infty] = [0, \infty) \cup \{\infty\}$  is called a measure if it satisfies:

- $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$
- $\sigma$ -additivity

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

whenever  $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$  for  $i \neq j$  and  $A_i \in \mathcal{A}$  for all  $i$ .

Once the measure  $\mu$  is defined on the measurable space  $(X, \mathcal{A})$ , the triple  $(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  is called a measure space.

## 8 Measurable functions

**Definition 8.1.** Given measurable spaces  $(\Omega_1, \mathcal{A}_1)$  and  $(\Omega_2, \mathcal{A}_2)$ . Consider a map  $f : \Omega_1 \rightarrow \Omega_2$ .  $f$  is measurable (w.r.t  $\mathcal{A}_1, \mathcal{A}_2$ ) if the pre-image  $f^{-1}(A_2) \in \mathcal{A}_1$  for all  $A_2 \in \mathcal{A}_2$ .

**Example 8.1.** Given  $(\Omega, \mathcal{A})$  and  $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$ . It is easy to check that the characteristic function (or the indicator function)  $\chi_A : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a measurable function.

**Proposition 8.1.** If  $f, g$  are measurable functions, then  $f \circ g$  (if it is defined) is also a measurable function. This can be checked by looking at subsequent pre-images.

**Proposition 8.2.** Given  $(\Omega, \mathcal{A})$  and  $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$  and measurable functions  $f, g : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $f \pm g, f \circ g, |f|$  are measurable functions.

**Proposition 8.3.** The finite-value function  $f$  is measurable if and only if  $f^{-1}(\mathcal{O})$  is measurable for every open set  $\mathcal{O}$  and if and only if  $f^{-1}(F)$  is measurable for every closed set  $F$ .

**Proposition 8.4.** If  $f$  is continuous on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , then  $f$  is measurable. If  $f$  is measurable and finite-valued, and  $\Phi$  is continuous, then  $\Phi \circ f$  is measurable.

**Proposition 8.5.** Suppose  $\{f_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a sequence of measurable functions then

$$\sup_n f_n(x), \quad \inf_n f_n(x), \quad \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x), \quad \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x)$$

are all measurable.

**Proposition 8.6.** Suppose  $\{f_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a sequence of measurable functions and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = f(x)$$

then  $f$  is measurable.

**Proposition 8.7.** If  $f, g$  are measurable, then

- The integer powers  $f^k$ ,  $k \geq 1$ , are measurable.
- $f + g, fg$  are measurable if both  $f, g$  are finite-valued.

**Proposition 8.8.** If  $f$  is measurable and  $f = g$  for almost every  $x$  then  $g$  is measurable.

## 9 Lebesgue Integral

**Definition 9.1** (Simple Functions). A function  $f$  is a simple function if we can find measurable sets  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  and numbers  $c_1, \dots, c_n \in \mathbb{R}$  such that we can write

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \chi_{A_i}(x).$$

**Remark 2.** Simple functions are measurable.

Suppose a simple function  $f$  is given by the representation

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \chi_{A_i}(x).$$

then the “Lebesgue integral” of  $f$  is given by

$$I(f) := \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \mu(A_i)$$

where  $\mu$  is the Lebesgue measure. However, this becomes problematic when some measures are infinite and the  $c_i$  are not all negative or positive. One way to refine this to introduce the set of nonnegative simple functions:

$$\mathcal{S}^+ := \{f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ simple, } f \geq 0\}.$$

**Definition 9.2** (Lebesgue integral of a nonnegative simple function). Let  $f \in \mathcal{S}^+$  be given and choose a representation:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \chi_{A_i}(x).$$

The Lebesgue integral of  $f$  with respect to the measure  $\mu$  is

$$\int_X f d\mu \equiv \int_X f(x) d\mu(x) = I(f) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \mu(A_i) \in [0, \infty].$$

**Theorem 9.3.** Suppose  $f$  is measurable on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . Then there exists a sequence of simple functions  $\{\varphi_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  that satisfies

$$|\varphi_k(x)| \leq |\varphi_{k+1}(x)|, \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \varphi_k(x) = f(x), \forall x$$

In particular, we have  $|\varphi_k(x)| \leq |f(x)|$  for all  $x, k$ .

**Theorem 9.4.** Suppose  $f$  is measurable on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . Then there exists a sequence of step functions  $\{\psi_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  that converges pointwise to  $f(x)$  for almost every  $x$ .

**Definition 9.5** (L-integrals for nonnegative functions). Let  $f : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a measurable function.

$$\int_X f d\mu = \sup\{I(h) \mid h \in \mathcal{S}^+, h \leq f\} \in [0, \infty]$$

$f$  is  $\mu$ -integrable if  $\int_X f d\mu < \infty$ .

**Proposition 9.1.** Given measurable nonnegative functions  $f, g : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ ,  $f = g$   $\mu$ -almost everywhere (a.e.)  $\implies \int_X f d\mu = \int_X g d\mu$ . By  $f = g$   $\mu$ -a.e., we mean  $\mu(\{x \in X \mid f(x) \neq g(x)\}) = 0$ .

**Proposition 9.2** (Linearity).  $I(\alpha f + \beta g) = \alpha I(f) + \beta I(g)$  for  $\alpha, \beta \geq 0$ .

**Proposition 9.3** (Monotonicity).  $f \leq g \implies I(f) \leq I(g)$  for  $f, g \in \mathcal{S}^+$ .

**Proposition 9.4.** Given measurable nonnegative functions  $f, g : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ ,  $f \leq g$   $\mu$ -a.e.  $\implies \int_X f d\mu \leq \int_X g d\mu$ .

**Proposition 9.5.** Given measurable nonnegative functions  $f, g : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ ,  $f = 0$   $\mu$ -a.e.  $\iff \int_X f d\mu = 0$ .

**Proposition 9.6** (Additivity). If  $E$  and  $F$  are disjoint subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  with finite measure, then

$$\int_{E \cup F} \varphi = \int_E \varphi + \int_F \varphi.$$

**Proposition 9.7** (Triangle Inequality). If  $\varphi$  is a simple function, then so is  $|\varphi|$ , and

$$\left| \int \varphi \right| \leq \int |\varphi|.$$

**Proposition 9.8.** The propositions above hold for functions  $f, g$  which are bounded and supported on sets of finite measure.

## 10 Bounded Convergence Theorem

**Theorem 10.1** (BCT). Suppose that  $\{f_n\}$  is a sequence of measurable functions that are all bounded by  $M$ , are supported on a set  $E$  of finite measure, and  $f_n(x) \rightarrow f(x)$  for almost every  $x$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Then  $f$  is measurable, bounded, supported on  $E$  for almost every  $x$ , and

$$\int |f_n - f| \rightarrow 0, \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Consequently,

$$\int f_n \rightarrow \int f, \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

## 11 Monotone Convergence Theorem

**Theorem 11.1** (MCT). Let a measure space  $(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  and measurable functions  $f_n, f : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be given for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  with

- $f_1 \leq f_2 \leq f_3 \leq \dots$   $\mu$ -a.e.
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = f(x)$   $\mu$ -a.e.

then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_X f_n d\mu = \int \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n d\mu = \int_X f d\mu.$$

**Corollary 11.2.** Suppose  $(g_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  with  $g_n : X \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  measurable for all  $n$  be given. Then  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} g_n : X \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  is measurable. By the MCT

$$\int_X \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} g_n d\mu = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \int_X g_n d\mu.$$

## 12 Fatou's Lemma

**Lemma 12.1** (Fatou's). Let a measure space  $(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  be given with  $f_n : X \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  be measurable for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then

$$\int_X \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n d\mu \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_X f_n d\mu$$

where  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n : X \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  is defined by

$$g(x) := \left( \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n \right) (x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{\left( \inf_{k \geq n} f_k(x) \right)}_{g_k(x)} \in [0, \infty].$$

It turns out that  $g_1 \leq g_2 \leq \dots$  are measurable and thus  $g(x)$  is also measurable.

### 13 Lebesgue's Dominated Convergence Theorem

**Theorem 13.1** (LDCT). *Let a measure space  $(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  be given. Consider the set of all Lebesgue-integrable functions:*

$$\mathcal{L}^1(\mu) := \{f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ measurable} \mid \int_X |f|^1 d\mu < \infty\}.$$

For  $f \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mu)$ , write  $f = f^+ - f^-$  with  $f^+, f^- \geq 0$  and define

$$\int_X f d\mu := \int_X f^+ d\mu - \int_X f^- d\mu.$$

Consider  $f_n : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  a sequence of measurable functions and  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = f(x)$  for  $x \in X$ ,  $\mu$ -a.e. where  $|f_n| \leq g$  with  $g \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mu)$  for all  $n$ . Then  $f_1, \dots, \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mu)$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mu)$  and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_X f_n d\mu = \int_X f d\mu.$$

### 14 $\sigma$ -finite measure

**Definition 14.1.** *Let  $(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  be a measure space. The measure  $\mu$  is called a  $\sigma$ -finite measure if it satisfies one of the following equivalent criteria:*

- The set  $X$  can be covered with at most countably many measurable sets with finite measure, i.e., there are sets  $A_1, \dots, \in \mathcal{A}$  with  $\mu(A_n) < \infty$  for all  $n$  such that  $\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n = X$ .
- The set  $X$  can be covered with at most countable many measurable disjoint sets with finite measure, i.e., there are sets  $B_1, \dots, \in \mathcal{A}$  with  $\mu(B_n) < \infty$  for all  $n$  and  $B_i \cap B_j = \emptyset$  for  $i \neq j$  that satisfy  $\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} B_n = X$ .
- The set  $X$  can be covered with a monotone sequence of measurable sets with finite measure, i.e., there are sets  $C_1, \dots, \in \mathcal{A}$  with  $C_1 \subseteq C_2 \subseteq \dots$  and  $\mu(C_n) < \infty$  for all  $n$  that satisfy  $\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} C_n = X$ .
- There exists a strictly positive measurable function  $f$  whose integral is finite, i.e.,  $f(x) > 0$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $\int_X f d\mu < \infty$ .

If  $\mu$  is a  $\sigma$ -finite measure, the measure space  $(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  is called a  $\sigma$ -finite measure space.

### 15 Lebesgue's Decomposition Theorem & Radon-Nikodym Theorem

Consider the special measure space  $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}), \lambda)$  where  $\lambda$  is the Lebesgue reference measure:  $\lambda([a, b)) = b - a$ . Also, consider another measure  $\mu : \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ .

**Definition 15.1.**

- $\mu$  is called **absolutely continuous** with respect to the reference measure  $\lambda$  if  $\lambda(A) = 0 \implies \mu(A) = 0$  for all  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ . To denote this, one writes  $\mu \ll \lambda$ .

- $\mu$  is called **singular** with respect to the reference measure  $\lambda$  if there is  $N \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$  with  $\lambda(N) = 0$  and  $\mu(\mathbb{R} \setminus N) = 0$ . To denote this, one writes  $\mu \perp \lambda$ .

**Theorem 15.2.** Consider some measure  $\mu : \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  that is  $\sigma$ -finite.

- (Lebesgue's Decomposition Theorem). There are two measures (uniquely determined)  $\mu_{ac}, \mu_s : \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  with

$$\mu = \mu_{ac} + \mu_s$$

where  $\mu_{ac} \ll \lambda$  and  $\mu_s \perp \lambda$ .

- (Radon-Nikodym Theorem). There is a measurable map  $h : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  with

$$\mu_{ac}(A) = \int_A h d\lambda$$

for all  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ . We call such an  $h$  a **density function**.

## 16 Product Measure

Let  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{N}, \nu)$  be measure spaces. We have the product  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{N}$  on  $X \times Y$ , so now we construct the a measure on  $\mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{N}$  that is the product of  $\mu$  and  $\nu$ .

A measurable **rectangle** is a set of the form  $A \times B$  where  $A \in \mathcal{M}$  and  $B \in \mathcal{N}$ . The collection  $\mathcal{A}$  of finite disjoint unions of rectangles is an algebra. The  $\sigma$ -algebra it generates is  $\mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{N}$ .

Suppose  $A \times B$  is a rectangle that is a finite/countable **disjoint** union of rectangles  $A_j \times B_j$ . Then for  $x \in X, y \in Y$ ,

$$\chi_A(x)\chi_B(y) = \chi_{A \times B}(x, y) = \sum \chi_{A_j \times B_j}(x, y) = \sum \chi_{A_j}(x)\chi_{B_j}(y).$$

Integrating wrt  $x$  to get

$$\mu(A)\chi_B(y) = \cdots = \sum \mu(A_j)\chi_{B_j}(y).$$

By symmetry, we get

$$\mu(A)\nu(B) = \sum \mu(A_j)\nu(B_j)$$

Thus, if  $E \in \mathcal{A}$  is a disjoint union of rectangles  $A_1 \times B_1, \dots, A_n \times B_n$  and we set

$$\pi(E) = \sum_{j=1}^n \mu(A_j)\nu(B_j)$$

then  $\pi$  is well-defined on  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\pi$  is a premeasure (a function that satisfies  $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$  and  $\sigma$ -additivity but isn't necessarily defined on a  $\sigma$  algebra) on  $\mathcal{A}$ . Theorem 1.4 of Folland says that  $\pi$  generates an exterior measure on  $X \times Y$  whose restriction to  $\mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{N}$  is a measure that extends  $\pi$ . This measure is the product of  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  and we denote it by  $\mu \times \nu$ .

If  $\mu, \nu$  are  $\sigma$ -finite, then  $\mu \times \nu$  is also  $\sigma$ -finite. In this case, Theorem 1.4 of Folland also tells us that  $\mu \times \nu$  is a **unique** measure on  $\mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{N}$  such that

$$\mu \times \nu(A \times B) = \mu(A)\nu(B)$$

for all rectangles  $A \times B$ .

## 17 “Measurable Slice” Theorems

**Definition 17.1.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu), (Y, \mathcal{N}, \nu)$  be measure spaces. If  $E \subset X \times Y$ , for  $x \in X, y \in Y$  we define the  $x$ -section  $E_x$  and  $y$ -section  $E^y$  of  $E$  by

$$E_x = \{y \in Y : (x, y) \in E\} \subseteq Y, \quad E^y = \{x \in X : (x, y) \in E\} \subseteq X$$

Also, if  $f$  is a function on  $X \times Y$  we define the  $x$ -section  $f_x$  and  $y$ -section  $f^y$  of  $f$  by

$$f_x(y) = f^y(x) = f(x, y).$$

**Example 17.1.** One can check that

$$(\chi_E)_x = \chi_{E_x}, \quad (\chi_E)^y = \chi_{E^y}$$

**Proposition 17.1.**

- If  $E \in \mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{N}$ , then  $E_x \in \mathcal{N}$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $E^y \in \mathcal{M}$  for all  $y \in Y$ .
- If  $f$  is  $\mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{N}$ -measurable, then  $f_x$  is  $\mathcal{N}$ -measurable for all  $x \in X$  and  $f^y$  is  $\mathcal{M}$ -measurable for all  $y \in Y$ .

## 18 Monotone Class Lemma

**Definition 18.1** (Algebra in a set). Let  $X$  be a set. An algebra in  $X$  is a non-empty collection of subsets of  $X$  that is closed under complements, finite unions, and finite intersections.

**Definition 18.2** (Premeasure). Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an algebra in  $X$ . A premeasure on an algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  is a function  $\mu_0 : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  that satisfies

- $\mu_0(\emptyset) = 0$ .
- If  $E_1, \dots$  is a countable collection of disjoint sets in  $\mathcal{A}$  with  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n \in \mathcal{A}$  then

$$\mu_0\left(\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} E_k\right) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mu_0(E_k)$$

In particular,  $\mu_0$  is finitely additive on  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**Definition 18.3** (Monotone class). A monotone class on a space  $X$  is a subset  $\mathcal{C} \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$  that is closed under increasing unions and countable decreasing intersections. That is, if  $E_j \in \mathcal{C}$  and  $E_1 \subset E_2 \subset \dots$  then  $\bigcup E_j \in \mathcal{C}$ , and likewise for intersections.

**Remark 3.** Every  $\sigma$ -algebra is a monotone class.

**Remark 4.** The intersection of any family of monotone classes is a monotone class.

**Definition 18.4** (Monotone class Generated by a subset of  $\mathcal{P}(X)$ ). For any  $\mathcal{E} \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$ , there is a unique smallest monotone class containing  $\mathcal{E}$ , called the monotone class **generated by**  $\mathcal{E}$ .

**Definition 18.5** ( $\sigma$ -algebra generated by a family of subsets). Let  $F$  be an arbitrary family of subsets of  $X$ . Then there exists a unique smallest  $\sigma$ -algebra which contains every set in  $F$ . It is, in fact, the intersection of all  $\sigma$ -algebras containing  $F$ . This  $\sigma$ -algebra is denoted  $\sigma(F)$  and is called the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by  $F$ .

**Lemma 18.6** (Monotone Class Lemma). If  $\mathcal{A}$  is an algebra of subsets of  $X$ , then the monotone class  $\mathcal{C}$  generated by  $\mathcal{A}$  coincides with the  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{M}$  generated by  $\mathcal{A}$ .



*Proof.*  $\mathcal{M}$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra, so it is a monotone class. As a result,  $\mathcal{C} \subset \mathcal{M}$ . To show the reverse containment, we show that  $\mathcal{C}$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra. To do this, let  $E \in \mathcal{C}$  be given and define

$$\mathcal{C}(E) = \{F \in \mathcal{C} : E \setminus F, F \setminus E, E \cap F \in \mathcal{C}\}.$$

Check that  $\emptyset, E \in \mathcal{C}(E)$ , and  $E \in \mathcal{C}(F) \iff F \in \mathcal{C}(E)$ . Check that  $\mathcal{C}(E)$  is a monotone class. Because  $\mathcal{A}$  is an algebra,  $E \in \mathcal{A} \implies F \in \mathcal{C}(E) \forall F \in \mathcal{A}$ . This means  $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{C}(E) \implies \mathcal{C} \subset \mathcal{C}(E)$ . This means if  $F \in \mathcal{C}$  then  $F \in \mathcal{C}(E) \iff E \in \mathcal{C}(F) \forall E \in \mathcal{A}$ , and by a similar argument we get  $\mathcal{C} \in \mathcal{C}(F)$ . So, if  $E, FC, E \setminus F, E \cap F \in \mathcal{C}$ . Now,  $X \in \mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{C}$ , so  $\mathcal{C}$  is an algebra. Finally, since  $\mathcal{C}$  is closed under countable increasing unions,  $\mathcal{C}$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra.  $\square$

**Theorem 18.7.** Suppose  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu), (Y, \mathcal{N}, \nu)$  are  $\sigma$ -finite measure spaces. If  $E \in \mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{N}$  then the functions  $x \mapsto \nu(E_x)$  and  $y \mapsto \mu(E^y)$  are measurable on  $X, Y$  respectively and

$$\mu \times \nu(E) = \int \nu(E_x) d\mu(x) = \int \mu(E^y) d\nu(y)$$

## 19 Fubini-Tonelli's Theorem

**Theorem 19.1.** Suppose that  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{N}, \nu)$  are  $\sigma$ -finite measure spaces

- (Tonelli's) If  $f \in \mathcal{L}^+(X \times Y)$  then the functions  $g(x) = \int f_x d\nu$  and  $h(y) = \int f^y d\mu$  are in  $\mathcal{L}^+(X), \mathcal{L}^+(Y)$ , respectively, and

$$\int f d(\mu \times \nu) = \int \left[ \int f(x, y) d\nu(y) \right] d\mu(x) = \int \left[ \int f(x, y) d\mu(x) \right] d\nu(y).$$

- (Fubini's) If  $f \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mu \times \nu)$  then  $f_x \in \mathcal{L}^1(\nu)$  for a.e.  $x \in X$ ,  $f^y \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mu)$  for a.e.  $y \in Y$ , the a.e.-defined functions  $g(x) = \int f_x d\nu$  and  $h(y) = \int f^y d\mu$  are in  $\mathcal{L}^1(\mu), \mathcal{L}^1(\nu)$  respectively, and

$$\int f d(\mu \times \nu) = \int \left[ \int f(x, y) d\nu(y) \right] d\mu(x) = \int \left[ \int f(x, y) d\mu(x) \right] d\nu(y).$$

## 20 Fubini's Theorem for Complete Measures

**Theorem 20.1.** Suppose that  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{N}, \nu)$  are  $\sigma$ -finite and complete measure spaces, and let  $(X \times Y, \mathcal{L}, \lambda)$  be the completion of  $(X \times Y, \mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{N}, \mu \times \nu)$ . If  $f$  is  $\mathcal{L}$ -measurable and either (a)  $f \geq 0$  or (b)  $f \in \mathcal{L}^1(\lambda)$ , then  $f_x, f^y$  are also integrable for a.e.  $x, y$ . Moreover,  $x \mapsto \int f_x d\nu, y \mapsto \int f^y d\mu$  are measurable, and in case (b) also integrable, and

$$\int f d\lambda = \iint f(x, y) d\mu(x) d\nu(y) = \iint f(x, y) d\nu(y) d\mu(x).$$

## 21 Integration in Polar Coordinates

Denote the unit sphere  $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |x| = 1\}$  by  $S^{n-1}$ . If  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$  then the polar coordinates of  $x$  are

$$r = |x| \in (0, \infty), \quad x' = \frac{x}{|x|} \in S^{n-1}.$$

The map  $\Phi(x) = (r, x')$  is a continuous bijection from  $\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$  to  $(0, \infty) \times S^{n-1}$  whose continuous inverse is  $\Phi^{-1}(r, x') = rx'$ . Denote by  $m_*$  the Borel measure on  $(0, \infty) \times S^{n-1}$  induced by  $\Phi$  from the Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , that is

$$m_*(E) = m(\Phi^{-1}(E)).$$

Moreover, define the measure  $\rho = \rho_n$  on  $(0, \infty)$  by

$$\rho(E) = \int_E r^{n-1} dr.$$

**Theorem 21.1.** *There is a unique Borel measure  $\sigma = \sigma_{n-1}$  on  $S^{n-1}$  such that  $m_* = \rho \times \sigma$ . If  $f$  is Borel measurable on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $f \geq 0$  or  $f \in \mathcal{L}^1(m)$ , then*

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x) dx = \int_0^\infty \int_{S^{n-1}} f(rx') r^{n-1} d\sigma(x') dr.$$

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