

LECTURE 8 — MATH 6301

MEASURE THEORY

1. Algebra of Sets:

Let X be a given set (we consider it as a space) and assume $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$ is a given family of subsets in X . We say that \mathcal{F} is an algebra of sets (finitely additive algebra) iff

$$(A1) \quad \emptyset \in \mathcal{F}$$

$$(A2) \quad A \in \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow A^c \in \mathcal{F} \quad (A^c := X \setminus A)$$

$$(A3) \quad A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \in \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_n \in \mathcal{F} \quad \text{Finite}$$

REMARKS: (a) Notice that if $\mathcal{F}_\lambda \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$ is an algebra of sets for every $\lambda \in \Lambda$, then

$$\mathcal{F}_0 := \bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \mathcal{F}_\lambda$$

is also an algebra of sets. Indeed, (A1) $\forall_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \emptyset \in \mathcal{F}_\lambda \Rightarrow \emptyset \in \bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \mathcal{F}_\lambda$

$$(A2) \quad \forall_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (A \in \mathcal{F}_\lambda \Rightarrow A^c \in \mathcal{F}_\lambda) \Rightarrow \text{if } A \in \mathcal{F}_0 \Leftrightarrow \forall_{\lambda \in \Lambda} A \in \mathcal{F}_\lambda \Rightarrow A^c \in \mathcal{F}_\lambda$$

$$\Rightarrow A^c \in \mathcal{F}_0 = \bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \mathcal{F}_\lambda, \text{ and in a similar way}$$

$$(A3) \quad \text{If } \forall_{\lambda \in \Lambda} A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \in \mathcal{F}_\lambda \Rightarrow A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_n \in \mathcal{F}_0 \quad (\text{since } \forall_{\lambda} A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_n \in \mathcal{F}_\lambda)$$

(b) The smallest algebra of sets in X is the family $\{\emptyset, X\}$ and the largest algebra of sets is $\mathcal{P}(X)$.

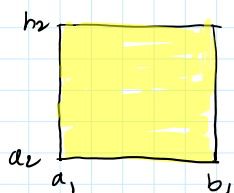
(c) Suppose $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$ is a given family of sets and put $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{A})$ to be the smallest algebra of sets containing \mathcal{A} , i.e.

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{A}) = \bigcap \{ \mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{P}(X) : \begin{array}{l} 1) \mathcal{F} \text{ is algebra of sets} \\ 2) \mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{F} \end{array} \}$$

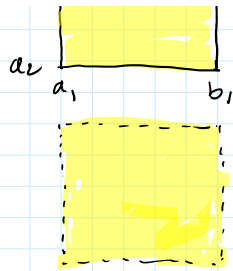
EXAMPLE: Take $\mathcal{A} = \emptyset$. What is $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{A})$?

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{A}) = \{\emptyset, X\}$$

EXAMPLE: Measurable objects in \mathbb{R}^2 : rectangles $[a_1, b_1] \times [a_2, b_2] = R$



$$R \text{ has an area} = (b_1 - a_1) \cdot (b_2 - a_2)$$

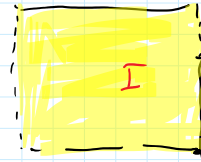


Clearly, one dimensional intervals do not contribute to area.

Notation: Take a rectangle R which we consider as our space X .
Then a set $I \subset R$ will be called an **interval** in X iff

$$(i) \text{ int}(I) = (a, b) \times (c, d)$$

$$(ii) \overline{I} = [a, b] \times [c, d]$$

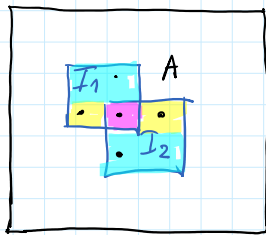


$$\mu(I) = (b-a)(d-c)$$

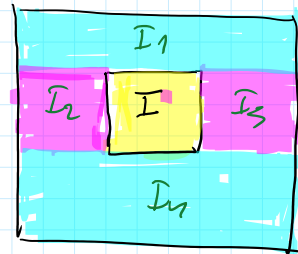
Take a family of all intervals $\mathcal{I} \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$
and consider $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{I})$. Then notice that

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{I}) = \left\{ A \subset \mathcal{P}(X) : \exists_{I_1, I_2, \dots, I_m} A = I_1 \cup \dots \cup I_m \right\}$$

(A1)



(A2)



$$I^c = \overline{I_1} \cup \overline{I_2} \cup \overline{I_3} \cup \overline{I_4}$$

$$A = I_1 \cup I_2 \cup \dots \cup I_m$$

$$A^c = I_1^c \cap I_2^c \cap \dots \cap I_m^c$$

In the case of the Euclidean space \mathbb{R}^n , one can introduce the notion of **n-interval** $I \subset X$, where

$$X := [c_1, d_1] \times [c_2, d_2] \times \dots \times [c_n, d_n] \quad c_k \leq d_k \quad k=1, 2, \dots, n$$

if

$$(i) \text{ int}(I) = (a_1, b_1) \times (a_2, b_2) \times \dots \times (a_n, b_n),$$

$$(ii) \overline{I} = [a_1, b_1] \times [a_2, b_2] \times \dots \times [a_n, b_n].$$

Notice, that

$$\mu(I) = \prod_{k=1}^n (b_k - a_k),$$

$$- \quad \overline{I}$$

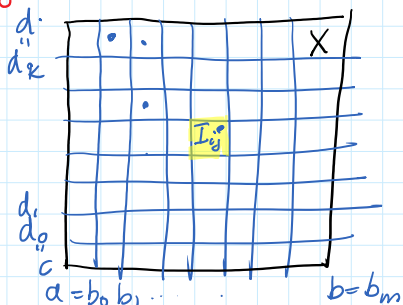
and if

$$A = I_1 \cup I_2 \cup \dots \cup I_m \quad I_j \cap I_k = \emptyset$$

then

$$\mu(A) = \mu(I_1) + \mu(I_2) + \dots + \mu(I_m).$$

The algebra $\mathcal{F}(I)$ is intimately connected to the notion of **Riemann integral**.
 $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ $x = (x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$



$$I_{ij} = [b_{i-1}, b_i] \times [d_{j-1}, d_j] \quad \{I_{ij}\} = \mathcal{P}$$

size $|\mathcal{P}| = \max_{i,j} \{b_i - b_{i-1}, d_j - d_{j-1}\}$

we can also choose $x_{ij}^* \in I_{ij}$ and define the Riemann sum

$$S(f, \mathcal{P}, \{x_{ij}^*\}) = \sum_{i,j} f(x_{ij}^*) \mu(I_{ij})$$

Then $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is **Riemann integrable**

$$\int_X f(x) dx = \lim_{|\mathcal{P}| \rightarrow 0} S(f, \mathcal{P}, \{x_{ij}^*\})$$

exists and is finite and doesn't depend on choice $\{x_{ij}^*\}$.

PROPOSITION: Darboux integrals: $\mathcal{P} = \{I_{ij}\}$

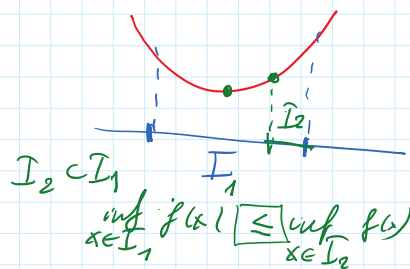
lower Darboux sum $s(f, \mathcal{P}) := \sum_{i,j} m_{ij} \mu(I_{ij})$, $m_{ij} = \inf_{x \in I_{ij}} f(x)$

upper Darboux sum $S(f, \mathcal{P}) := \sum_{i,j} M_{ij} \mu(I_{ij})$, $M_{ij} = \sup_{x \in I_{ij}} f(x)$

Then

$$\int_X f d\mu := \sup_{\mathcal{P}} s(f, \mathcal{P})$$

$$\int_X f d\mu := \inf_{\mathcal{P}} S(f, \mathcal{P})$$



$$s(f, \mathcal{P}) \leq S(f, \mathcal{P}, \{x_{ij}^*\}) \leq S(f, \mathcal{P})$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & |\mathcal{P}| \rightarrow 0 \\ & \searrow & \swarrow \\ & \int_X f dx & \end{array}$$

Note that if $Y \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is a bounded set, one (usually) defines the Riemann integral

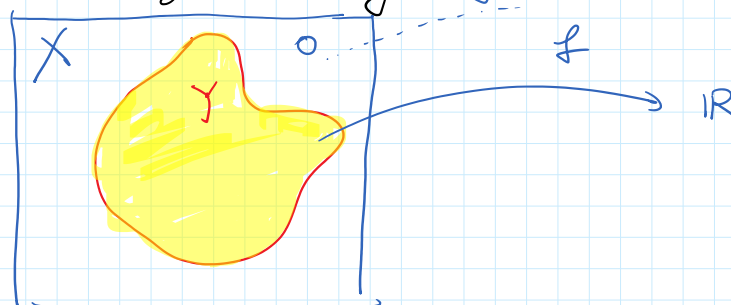
$$\left(\int_Y f(x) dx \right) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left(\int \tilde{f}(x) dx \right) \quad \tilde{f}(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & x \in Y \\ 0 & x \notin Y \end{cases}$$

define the Riemann integral

$$\int_Y f(x) dx \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \int_X \tilde{f}(x) dx$$

$$\tilde{f}(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & x \in Y \\ 0 & x \notin Y \end{cases}$$

where X is a rectangle containing Y .



Is the function $\tilde{f}: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ Riemann integrable?

For example, for $A \subset \mathbb{R}^n$; define $\chi_A: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $\chi_A(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \in A \\ 0 & x \notin A \end{cases}$
characteristic function

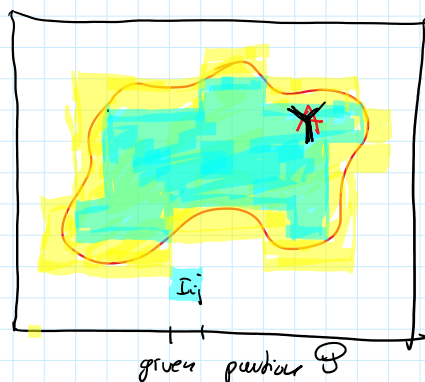
and consider the integral (if it is integrable)

$$\int_X \chi_Y(x) dx$$

inner Jordan measure of Y
 $\mu_*(Y) = \sup_{\mathcal{P}} S(\chi_Y, \mathcal{P})$

$$\mu^*(Y) = \inf_{\mathcal{P}} S(\chi_Y, \mathcal{P})$$

We say that Y is Jordan measurable if
 $\mu_*(Y) = \mu^*(Y)$



χ_Y

$$S(\chi_Y, \mathcal{P}) = \sum_{\substack{i,j \\ I_{ij} \subset Y}} 1 \cdot \mu(I_{ij}) + 0$$

$$S(\chi_Y, \mathcal{P}) = \sum_{\substack{i,j \\ I_{ij} \cap Y \neq \emptyset}} 1 \cdot \mu(I_{ij}) + 0$$

In this way, we obtain a new class \mathcal{J} of sets in \mathbb{R}^n , which are bounded and Jordan measurable. One can show that \mathcal{J} is an algebra of sets.

2. σ -Algebra of Sets:

Let X be a given space and $\mathcal{S} \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$ a family of sets in X .
 We say that \mathcal{S} is a σ -algebra (countably additive algebra) of sets in X if the following conditions are satisfied:

$$(\sigma A_1) \quad \emptyset \in \mathcal{S}$$

$$(\sigma A_2) \quad A \in \mathcal{S} \Rightarrow A^c \in \mathcal{S}$$

$$(\sigma A_3) \quad \{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n, \dots\} \subset \mathcal{S} \Rightarrow \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k \in \mathcal{S}$$

Notice that we also have the following properties of σ -algebra

$$(\sigma A_4) \quad \{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n, \dots\} \subset \mathcal{S} \Rightarrow \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k \in \mathcal{S}$$

Indeed, since $A^{cc} = A$

$$\begin{aligned} \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k &= X \setminus \left(\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k^c \right)^c \in \mathcal{S} \quad \square \\ &= X \setminus \underbrace{\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k^c}_{(\sigma A_3) \in \mathcal{S}} \\ &\quad \underbrace{(\sigma A_2) \in \mathcal{S}} \end{aligned}$$