

Lecture 12

Proposition:- Let $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function, where E is measurable. Then f is measurable

iff $f^{-1}([a, b])$ is measurable, $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

proof:-

\Rightarrow : Suppose f is measurable.

$$\text{Then } f^{-1}([a, b]) = f^{-1}((-\infty, b]) \cap f^{-1}([a, \infty)) \in \mathcal{M}$$

\Leftarrow : Suppose $f^{-1}([a, b]) \in \mathcal{M} \quad \forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$.

To show: f is measurable.

Let $a \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$(-\infty, a) = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (-n, a)$$

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}((-\infty, a)) &= f^{-1}\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (-n, a)\right) \\ &= \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \underbrace{f^{-1}((-n, a))}_{\text{①}} \in \mathcal{M} \end{aligned}$$

\mathcal{M} by our assumption

Thus $f^{-1}((-\infty, a)) \in \mathcal{M}, \quad \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$

$\therefore f$ is measurable.

Proposition:- Let $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a measurable function.

Then $f \leq \text{esssup}(f)$ a.e.

proof:-

If $\text{esssup}(f) = +\infty$, then there is nothing to prove.

Suppose $\text{esssup}(f) = -\infty = \inf \left(\left\{ \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \mid f \leq \alpha \text{ a.e. on } E \right\} \right)$

$$\Rightarrow \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, f \leq n \text{ a.e.}$$

$$\Rightarrow f = -\infty \text{ a.e.}$$

$$\therefore f \leq -\infty \text{ a.e.}$$

$$\underbrace{(-\infty \leq f \leq -\infty)}_{\text{a.e.}}$$

Suppose $\text{esssup}(f)$ is a finite number.

$$\text{Let } E_n = \left\{ x \in E \mid f(x) > \frac{1}{n} + \text{esssup}(f) \right\} \in \mathcal{M}$$

$$\& F = \left\{ x \in E \mid f(x) > \text{esssup}(f) \right\} \in \mathcal{M} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

To show: $m(F) = 0$. ✓

$$\text{We have } F = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n \quad \checkmark$$

$$\therefore m(F) = m\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n\right)$$

$$\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} m(E_n) \longrightarrow \textcircled{\times}$$

But by the definition of $\text{esssup}(f)$, we have

$$\text{esssup}(f) = \inf \left\{ \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \mid f \leq \alpha \text{ a.e. on } E \right\}$$

To show: $m(E_n) = 0 \quad \forall n$.

Take $\alpha = \frac{1}{n} + \text{esssup}(f) > \text{esssup}(f)$.

$\therefore f \leq \alpha$ a.e. on E . (use inf. property)??

$\Rightarrow \left\{ x \in E \mid f(x) \not\leq \alpha \right\}$ has measure 0.

$\left\{ x \in E \mid f(x) > \frac{1}{n} + \text{esssup}(f) \right\}$ has

measure 0.

$\therefore m(E_n) = 0 \quad \forall n$

\therefore From $\textcircled{\times}$, $m(F) \leq 0$

$\therefore m(F) = 0$.

Proposition: Let $f, g: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be measurable functions.

Then $\text{esssup}(f+g) \leq \text{esssup}(f) + \text{esssup}(g)$.

& this inequality can be strict.

Proof: By above Proposition,

$$f \leq \text{esssup}(f) \text{ a.e.}$$

$$g \leq \text{esssup}(g) \text{ a.e.}$$

$$\Rightarrow f+g \leq \text{esssup}(f) + \text{esssup}(g) \text{ a.e.}$$

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Example: ① Let $f = \chi_{[-1,0]} - \chi_{[0,1]}$

$$\& \quad g = -f = \chi_{[0,1]} - \chi_{[-1,0]}$$

$$f+g \equiv 0$$

$$\therefore \text{esssup}(f+g) = 0.$$

&

$$\text{esssup}(f) = 1$$

$$\text{esssup}(g) = 1$$

$$\therefore \text{esssup}(f) + \text{esssup}(g) = 2 \neq \text{esssup}(f+g).$$

Proposition:- Let $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a measurable function.

Then $\text{ess-sup}(f) = -\text{ess-inf}(-f)$.

Proof:-

$$\begin{aligned}\text{ess-sup}(f) &= \inf \left(\left\{ \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \mid f \leq \alpha \text{ a.e. on } E \right\} \right) \\ &= \inf \left(\left\{ \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \mid -f \geq -\alpha \text{ a.e. on } E \right\} \right) \\ &= - \sup \left(\left\{ \underbrace{-\alpha}_{\beta} \mid -f \geq \underbrace{-\alpha}_{\beta} \text{ a.e. on } E \right\} \right) \\ &= -\text{ess-inf}(-f)\end{aligned}$$

Definition:- A measurable function $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to be essentially bounded if

$$\text{ess-sup}(|f|) < \infty.$$
