

## Lecture 6

Proposition:- Suppose that in the definition of outer measure,  $m^*(E) = \inf \left\{ \left\{ \sum_n l(I_n) \right| E \subseteq \bigcup_n I_n, \{I_n\} \text{ collection of left closed right open intervals} \right\}$

for  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , we stipulate

(i)  $I_n$ 's open,  $\Rightarrow I_n = (a_n, b_n)$

(ii)  $I_n = [a_n, b_n)$   $\forall n$

(iii)  $I_n = [a_n, b_n]$ ,  $\forall n$

(iv)  $I_n = [a_n, b_n]$   $\forall n$

(v) mixture of all above four, for different  $n$ ,  
of the various types of intervals,

then the same  $m^*$  is obtained.

Proof:- In case (ii), we obtain  $m^*$  as definition.

In case (i), denote

$$m_0^*(E) = \inf \left( \left\{ \sum_n l(I_n) \right| E \subseteq \bigcup_n I_n, \text{ where } I_n \text{ are open intervals} \right)$$

By  $m_{oc}^*(E)$  in case (iii),  
 $m_c^*(E)$  in case (iv)  
&  $m_{in}^*(E)$  in (v).

We show that  $m^*(E) = m_o^*(E) = m_{oc}^*(E) = m_c^*(E) = m_{in}^*(E)$ .

To show:  $m_o^*(E) = m_{in}^*(E)$ .

From definition,  $\underline{m_{in}^*(E)} \leq m_o^*(E)$ .

Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . For each  $I_n$  any interval, let

$I_n'$  be an open interval such that

$$I_n \subseteq I_n' \quad \text{and} \quad l(I_n') = (1+\epsilon) l(I_n)$$

If  $I_n = [a_n, b_n]$  or  $[a_n, b_n]$  or  $(a_n, b_n]$  or  $(a_n, b_n)$ ,

choose  $I_n' = (a_n', b_n')$ , where

$$a_n' = a_n - \frac{(b_n - a_n)}{2}\epsilon$$

$$b_n' = b_n + \frac{(b_n - a_n)}{2}\epsilon.$$

Suppose for  $\{I_n\}$  such that  $E \subseteq \bigcup_n I_n$

$$\underline{m_{in}^*(E) + \epsilon} \geq \sum_n l(I_n). \rightarrow \text{X}$$

We know  $I_n \subseteq I_n'$  &

$$\Rightarrow E \subseteq \bigcup_n I_n \subseteq \bigcup_n I_n'$$

$$\therefore E \subseteq \bigcup_n I_n'$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore m_o^*(E) &\leq \sum_n l(I_n') \quad \left(\text{by def. of } m_o^*\right) \\&= \sum_n (1+\varepsilon) l(I_n) \\&= (1+\varepsilon) \sum_n l(I_n) \\&\leq (1+\varepsilon) (m_m^*(E) + \varepsilon) \\&= m_m^*(E) + \varepsilon (m_m^*(E) + \varepsilon)\end{aligned}$$

true for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

$$\therefore m_o^*(E) \leq m_m^*(E).$$

$$\therefore m_o^*(E) = m_m^*(E).$$

Remaining part: EXERCISE.

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Definition: Let  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . We say that  $E$  is Lebesgue measurable or simply measurable,

if for each  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , we have

$$m^*(A) = m^*(A \cap E) + m^*(A \cap E^c).$$

Remark: Since  $m^*$  is subadditive &  $A = (A \cap E) \cup (A \cap E^c)$   
 $\therefore m^*(A) \leq m^*(A \cap E) + m^*(A \cap E^c).$

Thus to show a subset  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is measurable  
 it is enough to show

$$m^*(A) \geq m^*(A \cap E) + m^*(A \cap E^c).$$

Proposition:- Let  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . Suppose  $m^*(E) = 0$ . Then,  
 $E$  is measurable.

Proof:- Given  $m^*(E) = 0$ .

To show:  $E$  is measurable.

i.e., to show: for any  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$m^*(A) \geq m^*(A \cap E) + m^*(A \cap E^c).$$

Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . We know

$$m^*(A \cap E) \leq m^*(E) = 0 \quad (\because A \cap E \subseteq E)$$

$$\Rightarrow m^*(A \cap E) = 0.$$

& we have  $A \cap E^c \subseteq A$

$$\Rightarrow m^*(A \cap E^c) \leq m^*(A)$$

$$\Rightarrow m^*(A \cap E) + m^*(A \cap E^c) \leq m^*(A)$$

$\therefore E$  is measurable.

Example:- ①  $E = \{x\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is measurable.

$$(\because m^*(E) = 0)$$

② Any finite subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  is measurable.

Let  $E = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$

$$E = \bigcup_{i=1}^n \{x_i\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} m^*(E) &= m^*\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n \{x_i\}\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n m^*(\{x_i\}) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n 0 \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore m^*(E) = 0.$$

$\therefore E$  is measurable.

③  $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ ,  $m^*(\mathbb{Q}) = ?$

Let  $\mathbb{Q} = \{q_1, q_2, \dots\}$ .

$$= \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \{q_n\}$$

$$m^*(\mathbb{Q}) = m^*\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \{q_n\}\right)$$

$$\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} m^*(\{q_n\})$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 0 = 0$$

$$\therefore m^*(\mathbb{Q}) = 0.$$

$\therefore \mathbb{Q}$  is measurable.

In fact, any countable subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  is measurable.

Ques- What are all the measurable subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$ ?

Definition:- A class of subsets  $\mathcal{M}$  of an arbitrary space  $X$  is said to be a  $\sigma$ -algebra or a  $\sigma$ -field if it satisfies the following conditions :

(i)  $x \in \gamma$

(ii) If  $A \in \gamma$ , then  $A^c \in \gamma$

& (iii) If  $E_i \in \gamma$ ,  $\forall i \geq 1$ , then  $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i \in \gamma$ .

Let  $M$  = the class of all Lebesgue measurable subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Theorem:  $M$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra.

Proof: From the definition of Lebesgue measure,

if  $E \in M$ , then  $E^c \in M$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\because m^*(A) &\geq m^*(A \cap E) + m^*(A \cap E^c) \\ &= m^*(A \cap E^c) + m^*(A \cap (E^c)^c)\end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow E^c$  is measurable )

$\therefore$  (ii) is true.

Since  $m^*(\emptyset) = 0$ ,  $\emptyset \in M$

$$\Rightarrow \emptyset^c = \mathbb{R} \in M$$

$\therefore$  (i) is true.

Remain to show: If  $\{E_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$  is a sequence  
of measurable sets, then  $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i$  is also  
measurable.

Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ .

To show:  $m^*(A) \geq m^*(A \cap (\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i)) + m^*(A \cap (\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i)^c)$

Given  $E_1$  is measurable,

$$\Rightarrow m^*(A) = m^*(A \cap E_1) + m^*(A \cap E_1^c).$$

Now  $E_2$  is measurable, & replace  $E_1$  by  $E_2$

&  $A$  by  $A \cap E_1^c$  in the above equality, we get

$$m^*(A \cap E_1^c) = m^*(A \cap E_1^c \cap E_2) + m^*(A \cap E_1^c \cap E_2^c)$$

$$\therefore m^*(A) = m^*(A \cap E_1) + m^*(A \cap E_1^c \cap E_2) + m^*(A \cap E_1^c \cap E_2^c)$$

Continuing in this way we get

$$m^*(A) = m^*(A \cap E_1) + \sum_{i=2}^n m^*(A \cap E_i \cap (\bigcap_{j=i+1}^n E_j^c))$$

$$+ m^*(A \cap (\bigcap_{j=1}^n E_j^c)) \rightarrow \textcircled{S}.$$

$(\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i)^c \quad \# n \geq 1$

$$\Rightarrow m^*(A) \geq m^*(A \cap E_1) + \sum_{i=2}^n m^*(A \cap E_i \cap (\bigcup_{j < i} E_j)^c)$$

$$+ m^*(A \cap (\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} E_j)^c)$$

$\left( \because \left(\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} E_j\right)^c \subseteq \left(\bigcup_{j=1}^n E_j\right)^c, \forall n \right).$

$\forall n \geq 1.$

$$\Rightarrow m^*(A) \geq m^*(A \cap E_1) + \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} m^*(A \cap E_i \cap (\bigcup_{j < i} E_j)^c)$$

$$+ m^*(A \cap (\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} E_j)^c).$$

$$\Rightarrow m^*(A) \geq m^*(A \cap E_1) + m^*\left(\bigcup_{i=2}^{\infty} (A \cap E_i \cap (\bigcup_{j < i} E_j)^c)\right)$$

$$+ m^*(A \cap (\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} E_j)^c).$$

$\left( \text{by subadditive property of } m^* \right)$

Now

$$\bigcup_{i=2}^n (E_i \cap (\bigcup_{j < i} E_j)^c) = \bigcup_{i=2}^n E_i \quad (\text{check it!})$$

$\forall n \geq 2 \quad ??$

$$\therefore m^*(A) \geq m^*(A \cap E_1) + m^*\left(A \cap \left(\bigcup_{i=2}^{\infty} E_i\right)\right) \\ + m^*\left(A \cap \left(\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} E_j\right)^c\right).$$

$$\Rightarrow m^*(A) \geq m^*\left(A \cap \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i\right)\right) + m^*\left(A \cap \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i\right)^c\right)$$

$\therefore \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i$  is measurable

$$\Rightarrow \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i \in \mathcal{M}.$$

$\therefore \mathcal{M}$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra.

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