

PMATH 451: Measure and Integration

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1. Chapter 1

1.1 Lecture 1 A brief review of Riemann integrals

Limitations of Riemann Integration (R-int)

- (1) Heavily rely on the structure of real line \mathbb{R}
- (2) Not many functions are R-int

Theorem 1.1 — Lebesgue.

$f[a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is R-int if and only if the set of discontinuity of f is Lebesgue null set (has Lebesgue measure 0). (i.e. $\exists(a_n, b_n)$ s.t. the set of discontinuities $\subseteq \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n, b_n)$, $\sum(b_n - a_n) < \epsilon$)

■ **Example 1.1** $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}, x \in [0, 1]$. f is nowhere continuous. f is NOT R-int

- (3) NOT well behaved under limits

■ **Example 1.2** Let $\{r_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ be all \mathbb{Q} in $[0, 1]$, $f_n(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in \{r_1, \dots, r_n\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

- f_n is R-int
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in \mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1] \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin \mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1] \end{cases} = f(x)$ (pointwise limit) is not R-int

Lebesgue's Idea

Ideally, define $m : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow [0, \infty]$

- $m([a, b]) = b - a$
- $m(A + x) = m(A)$
- $m(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n) = \sum m(A_n)$, A_n disjoint

Problem: m does not exist

Proof. Define $x \sim y$ if $x - y \in \mathbb{Q}$, consider $[0, 1]$.

Let $A =$ pick one x from each eq-class of \sim .

Let $\{r_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ be all rationals in $[-1, 1]$.

Let $A_k = A + r_k$

(1) A_k are disjoint. If $x \in A_k \cap A_\ell$, then

$$\begin{aligned} x = \underbrace{a}_{\in A} + r_k = \underbrace{b}_{\in A} + r_\ell &\implies a - b = r_\ell - r_k \in \mathbb{Q} \\ &\implies a \sim b, a \neq b \end{aligned}$$

not possible

(2) $[0, 1] \subseteq \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \subseteq [-1, 2]$

(a) $A \subseteq [0, 1]$, $-1 \leq r_k \leq 1$, $-1 \leq a + r_k \leq 2$, $A + r_k \subseteq [-1, 2]$

(b) $\forall x \in [0, 1]$, $\exists a \in A$, $a \sim x$, $x - a \in \mathbb{Q}$, $-1 \leq x - a \leq 1$, $\implies x - a = r_k$ for some k , $x = a + r_k \in A + r_k \subseteq \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$

(c)

$$1 = m([0, 1]) \leq m\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) \leq m([-1, 2]) = 3$$

$$m\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} m(A_n) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} m(A)$$

not possible

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1.2 Lecture 2 Introduction to Sigma Algebra

Definition 1.1 — algebra.

Let X be a set. An **algebra** \mathcal{A} is a collection of subsets of X ($\mathcal{A} \subseteq (x)$) s.t.

- (1) $\emptyset \in \mathcal{A}$
- (2) $X \setminus A \in \mathcal{A}$ for all $A \in \mathcal{A}$
- (3) If $A_1, \dots, A_n \in \mathcal{A}$, then $\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \in \mathcal{A}$

We call \mathcal{A} a σ -**algebra** if

- (3') If $A_1, \dots, A_n, \dots \in \mathcal{A}$, then $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \mathcal{A}$

■ **Example 1.3** (1) X be any set, $\{\emptyset, X\}$ is a σ -algebra

Note 1.1 If \mathcal{A} is a σ -algebra, then it's an algebra

(2) $\mathcal{P}(X)$ is a σ -algebra

(3) Let X be an uncountable set (real line, Cantor set, etc.) Let $\mathcal{A} = \{E \subseteq X : \text{either } E \text{ is countable, or } X \setminus E \text{ is countable}\}$.

Claim: \mathcal{A} is a σ -algebra

Proof. (a) $\emptyset \subseteq \mathcal{A}$, \emptyset is countable

(b) Let $E \in \mathcal{A}$,

- Case 1: E is countable, $X \setminus (X \setminus E) = E$ is countable, $\implies X \setminus E \in \mathcal{A}$
- Case 2: $X \setminus E$ is countable, $\implies X \setminus E \in \mathcal{A}$

(c) Let $\{E_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$, consider $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$

- Case 1: If all E_n are countable, $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$ is countable $\implies \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n \in \mathcal{A}$
- Case 2: $\exists E_N$, s.t. $X \setminus E_N$ is countable.

$$X \setminus \left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n \right) = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} (X \setminus E_n) \subseteq X \setminus E_N \implies \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n \in \mathcal{A}$$

Hence \mathcal{A} is a σ -algebra. ■

1.3 Lecture 3 Properties of Sigma Algebra

Basic properties of Algebra and σ -algebra

Let \mathcal{A} be an algebra, \mathcal{B} be a σ -algebra

- $E, F \in \mathcal{A} \implies E \cap F, E \setminus F \in \mathcal{A}$
- $\{E_n\} \subseteq \mathcal{B} \implies \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n \in \mathcal{B}$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} X \setminus (E \cap F) &= \underbrace{(X \setminus E)}_{\in \mathcal{A}} \cup \underbrace{(X \setminus F)}_{\in \mathcal{A}} \in \mathcal{A} \\ E \cap F &= X \setminus (X \setminus (E \cup F)) \in \mathcal{A} \\ E \setminus F &= E \cap (X \setminus F) \in \mathcal{A} \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 1.1 $\bigcup_{n=1}^k E_n \in \mathcal{A}$, induction

$$X \setminus \left(\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n \right) = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (X \setminus E_n) \in \mathcal{B}$$

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Proposition 1.2

Let \mathcal{A} be an algebra, $\forall \{A_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ disjoint $\implies \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \in \mathcal{A}$. Then \mathcal{A} is a σ -algebra

Proof. Let $\{E_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$, goal is to show $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n \in \mathcal{A}$. Consider

$$\begin{aligned} E_1 : A_1 &= E_1 \\ E_2 : A_2 &= E_2 \setminus E_1 \\ E_3 : A_3 &= E_3 \setminus (E_1 \cup E_2) \\ &\vdots \\ E_n : A_n &= E_n \setminus \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} E_i \right) \\ &\vdots \end{aligned}$$

Claim:

(1) $\bigcup_{n=1}^k A_n = \bigcup_{n=1}^k E_n$ (exercise using induction)

(2) A_n are disjoint.

$$A_n \cap \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} E_i \right) = \emptyset$$

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(3) $A_n \in \mathcal{A}$.

By definition, $A_n = E_n \setminus \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} E_i \right) \in \mathcal{A}$

$\implies \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \in \mathcal{A}$ (by assumption)

$\implies \mathcal{A}$ is σ -algebra ■

Proposition 1.3

Suppose $\{\mathcal{B}_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$ are σ -algebras (on X). Then $\bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \mathcal{B}_\lambda$ is a σ -algebra

Proof. (1) $\emptyset \in \mathcal{B}_\lambda, \forall \lambda \implies \emptyset \in \bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \mathcal{B}_\lambda$

(2) Take

$$\begin{aligned} A \in \bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \mathcal{B}_\lambda &\implies A \in \mathcal{B}_\lambda \forall \lambda \\ &\implies X \setminus A \in \mathcal{B}_\lambda \forall \lambda \\ &\implies X \setminus A \in \bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \mathcal{B}_\lambda \forall \lambda \end{aligned}$$

(3) Take

$$\{A_n\}_{n=1}^\infty \subseteq \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \mathcal{B}_\lambda \implies \bigcup_{n=1}^\infty A_n \in \bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \mathcal{B}_\lambda \text{ (exercise)}$$

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Definition 1.2

Let $\mathcal{F} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X)$. Define σ -algebra generated by \mathcal{F} to be $\sigma(\mathcal{F}) = \bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \mathcal{B}_\lambda$, $\{\mathcal{B}_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$ are all σ -algebra containing \mathcal{F}

(1) $\mathcal{F} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X)$, $\mathcal{P}(X)$ is a σ -algebra, so this intersection makes sense.

(2) Since \mathcal{B}_λ is σ -algebra $\implies \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \mathcal{B}_\lambda$ is a σ -algebra ($\sigma(\mathcal{F})$ is a σ -algebra)

Proposition 1.4

$\sigma(\mathcal{F})$ is the **smallest** σ -algebra containing \mathcal{F} .

By smallest: if $\exists \mathcal{B}$ σ -algebra, $\mathcal{B} \supseteq \mathcal{F}$, then $\sigma(\mathcal{F}) \subseteq \mathcal{B}$

Proof. By defn, $\sigma(\mathcal{F}) = \bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \mathcal{B}_\lambda$, σ -alg $\mathcal{B} \supseteq \mathcal{F} \implies \mathcal{B} = \mathcal{B}_{\lambda_0}$ for some λ_0 . $\sigma(\mathcal{F}) = \bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \mathcal{B}_\lambda \subseteq \mathcal{B}_{\lambda_0} = \mathcal{B}$

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1.3.1 Borel σ -algebra

Let X be a metric space, let $\mathcal{G} = \{A \subseteq X : A \text{ open}\}$

Definition 1.3 — Borel σ -algebra.

the **Borel σ -alg** on X is $\sigma(\mathcal{G})$. Denote by $\mathcal{B}_X = \sigma(\mathcal{G})$

Notation 1.1.

- \mathcal{G} = set of open sets
- \mathcal{F} = set of closed sets
- $\mathcal{G}_\delta = \{\bigcap_{n=1}^\infty A_n : A_n \in \mathcal{G}\}$
- $\mathcal{F}_\sigma = \{\bigcup_{n=1}^\infty A_n : A_n \text{ closed}\}$
- $\mathcal{G}_\delta, \mathcal{F}_\sigma \subseteq \mathcal{B}_X$
- a set $A \subseteq X$ is Borel if $A \in \mathcal{B}_X$
 - open set
 - closed set
 - $\mathcal{G}_\delta, \mathcal{F}_\sigma$
 - $X = \mathbb{R}, (a, b] \in \mathcal{B}_X$