

ITERATED INTEGRALS

Why

We integrate over a product space by integrating one coordinate at a time.

Result

Proposition 1. Suppose (X, \mathcal{A}, μ) and (Y, \mathcal{A}, ν) are σ -finite measurable spaces. Let $f: X \times Y \to \bar{\mathbf{R}}$ be $\mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{B}$ -measurable and $\mu \times \nu$ -integrable. Then

- 1. For μ -almost every x in X the section f_x is ν -integrable and for ν -almost every y in Y the section f^y is μ -integrable,
- 2. the functions I_f and J_f defined by

$$I_f(x) = \begin{cases} \int_Y f_x d\nu & \text{if } f_x \text{ is } \nu\text{-integrable}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and

$$J_f(y) = \begin{cases} \int_X f^y d\mu & \text{if } f^y \text{ is } \mu\text{-integrable,} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

belong to $\mathcal{L}(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu, \mathbf{R})$ and $\mathcal{L}(Y, \mathcal{A}, \nu, \mathbf{R})$ respectively, and

3. the relation

$$\int_{X\times Y} f d(\mu \times \nu) = \int_X I_f d\mu = \int_Y J_f d\nu$$

holds.

The above is called Fubini's Theorem. Next: Tonelli's theorem.

