

Probability Notes 2024

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1. 单调类定理

Review:

- \mathcal{A} is a field, \mathcal{M} is a monotone class. Then

$$\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{M} \implies \sigma(\mathcal{A}) \subset \mathcal{M}.$$

- \mathcal{P} is a π -system, \mathcal{L} is a λ -system. Then

$$\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{L} \implies \sigma(\mathcal{P}) \subset \mathcal{L}.$$

- measurable spaces $(E, \mathcal{F}_E), (F, \mathcal{F}_F), f : (E, \mathcal{F}_E) \mapsto (F, \mathcal{F}_F)$.
 f is $\mathcal{F}_E/\mathcal{F}_F$ -measurable if

$$\sigma(f) \triangleq f^{-1}(\mathcal{F}_F) \subset \mathcal{F}_E.$$

Call it \mathcal{F}_E -measurable if

$$(F, \mathcal{F}_F) = (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})).$$

- $f : (E, \mathcal{F}_E) \mapsto (F, \sigma(\mathcal{E}))$, f is $\mathcal{F}_E/\sigma(\mathcal{E})$ -measurable if

$$f^{-1}(\mathcal{E}) \subset \mathcal{F}_E.$$

Def 1 (Simple function). $i = 1, \dots, n$, $A_i \in \mathcal{F}$ (pairwise) disjoint, $c_i \in \mathbb{R}$. f is (measurable) simple if $f = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i 1_{A_i}$.

Alt. $i = 1, \dots, n$, $A_i \in \mathcal{F}$, $c_i \in \mathbb{R}$ non-zero distinct, f is simple if $f = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i 1_{A_i}$.

▷ 1. $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, g simple, then $af + bg$ simple

Thm 1 (Simple approximation). (1) $f \geq 0$ measurable. There exist simple $\{f_n\}$, $0 \leq f_n \uparrow f$, uniform if f is bounded.

(2) f measurable. There exist simple $\{f_n\}$, $f_n \rightarrow f$, uniform if f is bounded.

PROOF. 1. Let

$$f_n = \frac{[2^n f]}{2^n} \wedge n = \sum_{i=0}^{n2^n-1} \frac{i}{2^n} 1_{\{i/2^n \leq f < (i+1)/2^n\}} + n 1_{\{f \geq n\}}.$$

Then

$$0 \leq f - f_n \leq \frac{1}{2^n} \text{ if } f < n; \quad f_n = n \leq f \text{ otherwise.}$$

$$2. \quad f = f^+ - f^-.$$

□

Thm 2 (Doob). $f : (E, \mathcal{F}_E) \mapsto (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$, g measurable $(E, \mathcal{F}_E) \mapsto (F, \mathcal{F}_F)$. If f is $\sigma(g)$ -measurable, then $f = h \circ g$ for some measurable h .

PROOF. 1. $f = 1_A$, $A = g^{-1}(B) \in \sigma(g)$, $B \in \mathcal{F}_F$. Then $x \in A$ if and only if $g(x) \in B$, i.e.,

$$f = 1_A = 1_B \circ g.$$

2. f simple, $f = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i 1_{A_i}$, $c_i \in \mathbb{R}$, $A_i \in \sigma(g)$ disjoint. Let $A_i = g^{-1}(B_i)$, $B_i \in \mathcal{F}_F$, then

$$C_i = B_i \setminus \left(\bigcup_{j < i} B_j \right) \in \mathcal{F}_F \text{ disjoint}$$

and

$$f^{-1}(C_i) = A_i \setminus \left(\bigcup_{j < i} A_j \right) = A_i.$$

By step 1,

$$f = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i 1_{A_i} = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i 1_{C_i} \circ g = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n c_i 1_{C_i} \right) \circ g \triangleq h \circ g.$$

3. $f \geq 0$ is $\sigma(g)$ -measurable, there exist $\sigma(g)$ -measurable simple f_n with $0 \leq f_n \uparrow f$. It follows $f_n = h_n \circ g$ for some h_n ,

$$h \triangleq \sup_n h_n$$

is $\sigma(g)$ -measurable,

$$f = \lim_n f_n = \sup_n (h_n \circ g) = \left(\sup_n h_n \right) \circ g = h \circ g.$$

4. f is $\sigma(g)$ -measurable. f^+ , f^- are $\sigma(g)$ -measurable. Use **3.** \square

Thm 3. \mathcal{A} is a π -system, $\Omega \in \mathcal{A}$, \mathcal{H} is a collection of real-valued functions. Suppose

(1) If $A \in \mathcal{A}$, then $1_A \in \mathcal{H}$

(2) If $f, g \in \mathcal{H}$, $c \in \mathbb{R}$, then $f + g, cg \in \mathcal{H}$

(3) If $f_n \in \mathcal{H}$, $0 \leq f_n \uparrow f$ with f bounded, then $f \in \mathcal{H}$

Then

$$\{f : f \text{ bounded } \sigma(\mathcal{A})\text{-measurable}\} \subset \mathcal{H}$$

PROOF. The system of sets

$$\mathcal{G} = \{A : 1_A \in \mathcal{H}\}$$

is a λ -system and $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{G}$. Hence

$$\sigma(\mathcal{A}) \subset \mathcal{G}.$$

(2) implies that \mathcal{H} contains all $\sigma(\mathcal{A})$ -measurable simple functions, (3) implies that \mathcal{H} contains all bounded $\sigma(\mathcal{A})$ -measurable functions. \square

▷ 2. \mathcal{A} is a π -system, $\Omega \in \mathcal{A}$, \mathcal{H} is a collection of real-valued functions. Suppose

(1) If $A \in \mathcal{A}$, then $1_A \in \mathcal{H}$

(2) If $f, g \in \mathcal{H}$, $a, b \geq 0$, then $af + bg \in \mathcal{H}$

(3) If $f, g \in \mathcal{H}$ are bounded, $f \geq g$, then $f - g \in \mathcal{H}$

(4) If $f_n \in \mathcal{H}$, $0 \leq f_n \uparrow f$, then $f \in \mathcal{H}$

Then

$$\{f : f \text{ nonnegative } \sigma(\mathcal{A})\text{-measurable}\} \subset \mathcal{H}$$

2. 集函数与测度

2.1. 集函数. \mathcal{E} is a collection of subsets of E .

Def 2. *Set function, $\mu : \mathcal{E} \mapsto \mathbb{R} \cup \{\pm\infty\}$.*

Def 3. *Nonnegative set function, $\mu : \mathcal{E} \mapsto \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$.*

Def 4. *μ is finite if, $\forall A \in \mathcal{E}, |\mu(A)| < \infty$.*

Def 5. *μ is σ -finite on \mathcal{E} if, $\forall A \in \mathcal{E}$, there exist $\{A_n\} \subset \mathcal{E}$, $A = \bigcup_n A_n$ with $|\mu(A_n)| < \infty$.*

Def 6. *μ is additive if, $\forall A, B \in \mathcal{E}, AB = \emptyset$,*

$$\mu(A + B) = \mu(A) + \mu(B).$$

Def 7. *μ is countably additive if, $\forall A_i \in \mathcal{E}, i = 1, 2, \dots$, disjoint,*

$$\mu\left(\sum_i A_i\right) = \sum_i \mu(A_i).$$

Def 8. $\emptyset \in \mathcal{E}$. μ is a measure on \mathcal{E} if it is nonnegative, countably additive, $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$.

E.g. 1. (X, \mathcal{F}) measurable space, $x \in X$,

$$\delta_x(A) = 1_A(x), \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{F}.$$

$x_1, \dots, x_n \in X$,

$$\mu(A) = \sum_i \delta_{x_i}(A), \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{F}.$$

E.g. 2. F real-valued nonnegative, non-decreasing, right continuous. Semi-ring on \mathbb{R} ,

$$\mathcal{A} = \{(a, b] : a, b, \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

Then

$$\mu((a, b]) = F(b) - F(a)$$

defines a measure \mathcal{A} . It is unique on $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$.

PROOF. **1.** Additivity. $(a_i, b_i]$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, disjoint, $(a, b] = \bigcup_i^n (a_i, b_i]$, then

$$\mu((a, b]) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mu((a_i, b_i]).$$

2. $(a_i, b_i]$, $i = 1, \dots$, disjoint, $\bigcup_i (a_i, b_i] \subset (a, b]$, then

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu((a_i, b_i]) \leq \mu((a, b]).$$

3. $(a_i, b_i]$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, $(a, b] \subset \bigcup_i^n (a_i, b_i]$, then

$$\mu((a, b]) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \mu((a_i, b_i]).$$

4. $(a_i, b_i]$, $i = 1, \dots$, disjoint, $\bigcup_i (a_i, b_i] = (a, b]$, then

$$\mu((a, b]) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu((a_i, b_i]).$$

$\forall \varepsilon > 0$, there is $\delta_i > 0$,

$$F(b_i + \delta_i) - F(b_i) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2^i}.$$

$\forall \theta > 0$, $\{(a_i, b_i + \delta_i) : i\}$ is an open cover of $[a + \theta, b]$, there exists n_0

$$(a + \theta, b] \subset \bigcup_i^{n_0} (a_i, b_i + \delta_i].$$

By **3.**,

$$\begin{aligned}\mu((a + \theta, b]) &\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n_0} \mu((a_i, b_i + \delta_i]) \\&= \sum_{i=1}^{n_0} (F(b_i + \delta_i) - F(b_i)) \\&\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n_0} (F(b_i) - F(b_i)) + \sum_{i=1}^{n_0} \frac{\varepsilon}{2^i} \\&\leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (F(b_i) - F(b_i)) + \varepsilon.\end{aligned}$$

□

2.2. 半环上非负集函数. \mathcal{E} is a collection of subsets of E , μ is a nonnegative set function on \mathcal{E} .

Def 9. *Monotonicity:* $\forall A \subset B \in \mathcal{E}$,

$$\mu(A) \leq \mu(B).$$

Def 10. *Countably subadditive:* $\forall A_i \in \mathcal{E}, i = 1, 2, \dots, \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \mathcal{E}$,

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_i).$$

Def 11. *Continuity from below:* $A_i \in \mathcal{E}, A_i \uparrow A \in \mathcal{E}$,

$$\lim_n \mu(A_i) = \mu(A).$$

Def 12. *Continuity from above:* $A_i \in \mathcal{E}, A_i \downarrow A \in \mathcal{E}, \mu(A_1) < \infty$,

$$\lim_n \mu(A_i) = \mu(A).$$

\mathcal{S} is a semi-ring on E , μ is a nonnegative set function on \mathcal{S} .

Suppose μ is **additive**.

1. $\mu(\emptyset) = 0, +\infty$.

PROOF. $\emptyset \in \mathcal{S}$. By additivity

$$\mu(\emptyset) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mu(\emptyset).$$

$\mu(\emptyset)$ equals 0, or ∞ .

□

2. Monotonicity.

PROOF. $A, B \in \mathcal{S}$, $A \subset B$. There exist disjoint $C_1, \dots, C_k \in \mathcal{S}$,

$$B \setminus A = \bigcup_{i=1}^k C_i.$$

$$B = A \cup (B \setminus A) = A \cup \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^k C_i \right).$$

By additivity

$$\mu(B) = \mu(A) + \sum_{i=1}^k \mu(C_i) \geq \mu(A).$$

□

Suppose μ is **countably additive**.

3. Continuity from below.

PROOF. $A_i \in \mathcal{S}$, $A_i \uparrow A \in \mathcal{S}$. There exist disjoint $C_{n,1}, \dots, C_{n,k_n} \in \mathcal{S}$,

$$B_n \triangleq A_n \setminus A_{n-1} = \bigcup_{i=1}^{k_n} C_{n,i}.$$

$$(A_0 = \emptyset)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mu(A) &= \mu\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) = \mu\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n\right) = \mu\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{i=1}^{k_n} C_{n,i}\right) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{k_n} \mu(C_{n,i}) = \lim_N \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{i=1}^{k_n} \mu(C_{n,i}) \\ &= \lim_N \mu\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^N \bigcup_{i=1}^{k_n} C_{n,i}\right) = \lim_n \mu(A_n).\end{aligned}$$

□

4. Continuity from above.

PROOF. (**WRONG PROOF**) $A_i \in \mathcal{S}$, $A_i \downarrow A \in \mathcal{S}$, $\mu(A_1) < \infty$.
Clearly

$$\mu\left(\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) \leq \mu(A_i) \leq \mu(A_1) < \infty.$$

$$\lim_n \mu(A_n) = \mu\left(\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right)$$

$$\iff$$

$$\mu(A_1) - \lim_n \mu(A_n) = \mu(A_1) - \mu\left(\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right)$$

$$\iff$$

$$\lim_n \mu(A_1 \setminus A_n) = \mu\left(A_1 \setminus \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) = \mu\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (A_1 \setminus A_n)\right).$$

□

5. Subadditivity.

PROOF. Analogous to continuity from below. □

2.3. 环上非负集函数.

Thm 4. \mathcal{R} is a ring. μ is nonnegative additive.

(1) μ countably additive



(2) μ countably subadditive



(3) μ continuity from below



(4) μ continuity from above



(5) μ continuity from above at \emptyset .

If μ is finite, (5) implies (1).

PROOF. **1.** Already have: $(1) \implies (2)$, $(1) \implies (3)$, $(1) \implies (4)$, $(4) \implies (5)$.

2. $(2) \implies (1)$. Suppose $A_i \in \mathcal{R}$, $i = 1, 2, \dots$, disjoint, $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \mathcal{R}$.

By countable subadditivity,

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_i).$$

By monotonicity and additivity,

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) \geq \mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mu(A_i), \quad \forall n.$$

Sending $n \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) \geq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_i).$$

3. (3) \implies (1). Suppose $A_i \in \mathcal{R}$, $i = 1, 2, \dots$, disjoint, $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \mathcal{R}$.

Since

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \uparrow \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i,$$

by continuity from below,

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) = \lim_n \mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i\right) = \lim_n \sum_{i=1}^n \mu(A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_i).$$

4. (5) \implies (1). Suppose $A_i \in \mathcal{R}$, $i = 1, 2, \dots$, disjoint, $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \mathcal{R}$.

Then, $\forall n$,

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \in \mathcal{R} \text{ and } \bigcup_{i=n+1}^{\infty} A_i = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \in \mathcal{R}.$$

By additivity

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) = \mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i\right) + \mu\left(\bigcup_{i=n+1}^{\infty} A_i\right).$$

Since μ is finite

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) < \infty.$$

The continuity from above at \emptyset yields,

$$\lim_n \mu\left(\bigcup_{i=n+1}^{\infty} A_i\right) = 0.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) &= \lim_n \mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i\right) + \lim_n \mu\left(\bigcup_{i=n+1}^{\infty} A_i\right) \\ &= \lim_n \sum_{i=1}^n \mu(A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_i).\end{aligned}$$

□

3. Carathéodory's 延拓

3.1. 外测度.

Def 13. μ^* is an outer measure on E if

(1) $\mu^*(\emptyset) = 0$

(2) $\forall A, B \in 2^E$, if $A \subset B$, then

$$\mu^*(A) \leq \mu^*(B)$$

(3) If $A_i \in 2^E, i = 1, 2, \dots$,

$$\mu^*\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu^*(A_i)$$

Thm 5. Let \mathcal{E} be a collection of sets on E , $\emptyset \in \mathcal{E}$. μ is a nonnegative set function on \mathcal{E} with $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$. Define, $\forall A \in 2^E$,

$$\mu^*(A) = \inf \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_i) : A_i \in \mathcal{E}, A \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \right\}.$$

Then $\mu^*(A)$ is an outer measure.

PROOF. **1.** $\mu^*(\emptyset) = 0$ since $\emptyset \in \mathcal{E}$, $\emptyset \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \emptyset$.

2. If $A \subset B$, $B \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} B_i$, then $A \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} B_i$, from the definition $\mu^*(A) \leq \mu^*(B)$.

3. Let $A_i \in 2^E, i = 1, 2, \dots, \varepsilon > 0$. There are $A_{i,k} \in \mathcal{E}$, $A_i \subset \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} A_{i,k}$,

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_{i,k}) \leq \mu^*(A_i) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2^i}, \quad \forall i.$$

Since

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} A_{i,k},$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mu^*\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) &\leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_{i,k}) \\
&\leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left[\mu^*(A_i) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2^i} \right] \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu^*(A_i) + \varepsilon.
\end{aligned}$$

□

Def 14. μ^* is an outer measure on E . $A \in 2^E$ is μ^* -measurable if

$$\mu^*(D) = \mu^*(D \cap A) + \mu^*(D \cap A^c), \quad \forall D \in 2^E.$$

The class of μ^* -measurable sets is denoted by \mathcal{F}_μ^* .

Def 15. Let μ be a measure on a σ -field \mathcal{F} of E , the measure space (E, \mathcal{F}, μ) is complete if

$$A \in \mathcal{F}, \quad \mu(A) = 0 \implies B \in \mathcal{F}, \quad \forall B \subset A.$$

Thm 6 (Carathéodory). *Let \mathcal{E} be a collection of sets on E , $\emptyset \in \mathcal{E}$. μ is a nonnegative set function on \mathcal{E} with $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$.*

(1) \mathcal{F}_μ^* is a σ -field.

(2) $(E, \mathcal{F}_\mu^*, \mu^*)$ is a complete measure space.

PROOF. 1. Obviously, $E \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*$ and $A^c \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*$ if $A \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*$.

2. If $A_1, A_2 \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*$, then $A_1 \cup A_2, A_1 \cap A_2 \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*$.

$\forall D \in 2^E$, we note

$$D \cap (A_1 \cup A_2) = (D \cap A_1) \cup (D \cap A_1^c \cap A_2).$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \mu^*(D \cap (A_1 \cup A_2)) + \mu^*(D \cap (A_1 \cup A_2)^c) \\ & \leq \mu^*(D \cap A_1) + \mu^*(D \cap A_1^c \cap A_2) + \mu^*(D \cap A_1^c \cap A_2^c) \quad (\text{subadditivity}) \\ & \leq \mu^*(D \cap A_1) + \mu^*(D \cap A_1^c) \quad (A_2 \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*) \\ & = \mu^*(D) \quad (A_1 \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*). \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$A_1 \cup A_2 \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*.$$

It follows that

$$(A_1 \cap A_2)^c = A_1^c \cup A_2^c \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*.$$

3. Finite additivity. If $A_1, \dots, A_n \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*$ disjoint, then $\forall D \in 2^E$,

$$\mu^* \left(D \cap \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \right) \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mu^*(D \cap A_i).$$

Indeed, since $A_1 \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*$,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mu^* \left(D \cap \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \right) \right) \\
&= \mu^* \left(D \cap \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \right) \cap A_1 \right) + \mu^* \left(D \cap \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \right) \cap A_1^c \right) \\
&= \mu^*(D \cap A_1) + \mu^* \left(D \cap \left(\bigcup_{i=2}^n A_i \right) \right) = \cdots = \sum_{i=1}^n \mu^*(D \cap A_i)
\end{aligned}$$

4. If $A_1, A_2, \dots \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*$, then $A \triangleq \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*$.

We can assume that $A_1, A_2, \dots \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*$ are disjoint. Indeed, by **1** and **2**, $B_i = A_i \setminus \left(\bigcup_{j < i} A_j \right) \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*$, are disjoint and $\bigcup_{i=1}^n B_i = \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i$,

$\forall n$. Let

$$C_n = \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*, \quad \forall n.$$

Since A_1, A_2, \dots are disjoint, we can use **3** (the finite additivity). $\forall D \in 2^E$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu^*(D) &= \mu^*(D \cap C_n) + \mu^*(D \cap C_n^c) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \mu^*(D \cap C_i) + \mu^*(D \cap C_n^c) \\ &\geq \sum_{i=1}^n \mu^*(D \cap C_i) + \mu^*(D \cap A^c), \quad \forall n. \end{aligned}$$

Let $n \rightarrow \infty$, note $A \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} C_i$ and use subadditivity of outer measure

$$\mu^*(D) \geq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu^*(D \cap C_i) + \mu^*(D \cap A^c) \geq \mu^*(D \cap A) + \mu^*(D \cap A^c).$$

5. Countable additivity.

If $A_1, A_2, \dots, \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*$ are disjoint, use **3** and send $n \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\mu^*\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) \geq \mu^*\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mu^*(A_i), \quad \forall n.$$

The opposite inequality is subadditivity of outer measure.

6. Completeness. If $A \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*$, $\mu^*(A) = 0$ and $B \subset A$, then $\mu^*(B) = 0$. $\forall D \in 2^E$,

$$\mu^*(D) \geq \mu^*(D \cap B^c) = \mu^*(D \cap B) + \mu^*(D \cap B^c).$$

So $B \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*$. □

3.2. 域上测度的延拓.

Thm 7. *If μ is a measure on a field \mathcal{A} with the generated outer measure μ^* . Then*

(1) $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{F}_\mu^*$ thus $\sigma(\mathcal{A}) \subset \mathcal{F}_\mu^*$.

(2) μ^* is an extension of μ to $\sigma(\mathcal{A})$ in the sense that

$$\mu(A) = \mu^*(A), \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{A}.$$

PROOF. 1. Let $A \in \mathcal{A}$. If $A_i \in \mathcal{A}$, $A \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i$, then

$$\mu(A) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_i).$$

So

$$\mu(A) \leq \mu^*(A).$$

Since $A \in \mathcal{A}$, $A_1 = A$, $A_2 = A_3 = \dots = \emptyset$ form a countable cover of A ,
so

$$\mu^*(A) \leq \mu(A).$$

2. Fix $A \in \mathcal{A}$, will prove $A \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*$. $\forall D \in 2^E$, it is enough to show that

$$\mu^*(D) \geq \mu^*(D \cap A) + \mu^*(D \cap A^c).$$

There is nothing to prove if $\mu^*(D) = \infty$, so we assume that $\mu^*(D) < \infty$. Then, $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, there exist $A_i \in \mathcal{A}$, $D \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i$ so that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_i) \leq \mu^*(D) + \varepsilon.$$

Since \mathcal{A} is a field,

$$A_i \cap A, A_i \cap A^c \in \mathcal{A}.$$

By 1 and the additivity of μ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(A_i) &= \mu(A_i \cap A) + \mu(A_i \cap A^c) \\ &= \mu^*(A_i \cap A) + \mu^*(A_i \cap A^c). \end{aligned}$$

Summing over i gives

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_i) &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu^*(A_i \cap A) + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu^*(A_i \cap A^c) \\ &\geq \mu^*(D \cap A) + \mu^*(D \cap A^c).\end{aligned}$$

So

$$\mu^*(D) + \varepsilon \geq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_i) \geq \mu^*(D \cap A) + \mu^*(D \cap A^c).$$

□

Thm 8 (Uniqueness). *Let \mathcal{P} be a π -system on E , μ and ν measures on $\sigma(\mathcal{P})$. Assume that*

(1) *μ and ν agree on \mathcal{P} .*

(2) *There are $B_i \in \mathcal{P}$, $i = 1, 2, \dots$, disjoint so that $\bigcup_{i=1}^n B_i = E$ and*

$$\mu(B_i) < \infty.$$

Then μ and ν are equal on $\sigma(\mathcal{P})$.

PROOF. **1.** Let $B \in \mathcal{P}$ have $\mu(B) < \infty$. Define

$$\mathcal{L} = \{A \in \sigma(\mathcal{P}) : \mu(A \cap B) = \nu(A \cap B)\}.$$

\mathcal{L} is a λ -system, $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{L}$. So

$$\sigma(\mathcal{P}) \subset \mathcal{L},$$

i.e.

$$\mu(A \cap B) = \nu(A \cap B), \quad \forall A \in \sigma(\mathcal{P}).$$

2. $\forall A \in \sigma(\mathcal{P})$, use (2) to write it as disjoint union,

$$A = \bigcup_{i=1}^n (A \cap B_i), \quad \mu(A \cap B_i) \leq \mu(B_i) < \infty.$$

Then, by 1,

$$\begin{aligned}\mu(A) &= \mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n (A \cap B_i)\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mu(A \cap B_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \nu(A \cap B_i) = \nu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n (A \cap B_i)\right) = \nu(A).\end{aligned}$$

□

▷ 3. The condition Theorem 8 (2) can be replaced with either one of the following:

(2') $E \in \mathcal{S}$ and σ -finite on \mathcal{S} .

(2'') there are $B_1, B_2, \dots \in \mathcal{S}$, so that $B_i \uparrow E$ and $\mu(B_i) < \infty$.

3.3. 半环上测度的延拓.

Thm 9. Let μ be a measure on the semi-ring \mathcal{S} with the generated outer measure μ^* . Then

(1) $\mathcal{S} \subset \mathcal{F}_\mu^*$ thus $\sigma(\mathcal{S}) \subset \mathcal{F}_\mu^*$.

(2) μ^* is an extension of μ to $\sigma(\mathcal{S})$ in the sense that

$$(3.1) \quad \mu(A) = \mu^*(A), \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{S}.$$

(3) Assume that there are $B_i \in \mathcal{S}$, $i = 1, 2, \dots$, disjoint so that $\bigcup_{i=1}^n B_i = E$ and $\mu(B_i) < \infty$, then the extension of μ to $\sigma(\mathcal{S})$ is unique.

PROOF. Let $\bar{\mu}$ be the outer measure generated by μ .

1. $\bar{\mu}$ agrees with μ on \mathcal{S} .

The proof is identical to Theorem 7 (1).

2. Fix $A \subset \mathcal{S}$, will prove $A \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*$.

The proof is identical to Theorem 7 (2). The difference is $A_i \cap A^c$ is replaced with disjoint union of sets in \mathcal{S} .

3. Uniqueness. Apply Theorem 8 to conclude.

□

3.4. Approximating $\mu^*|_{\mathcal{F}_\mu^*}$ by $\mu^*|_{\sigma(\mathcal{S})}$.

Thm 10. *Let μ be a measure on the semi-ring \mathcal{S} with the generated outer measure μ^* . Suppose $E \in \mathcal{S}$.*

(1) *$\forall A \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*$, there is $B \in \sigma(\mathcal{S})$ such that $A \subset B$ and*

$$\mu^*(A) = \mu^*(B).$$

(2) *If μ is σ -finite on \mathcal{S} , then $\forall A \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*$, there is $B \in \sigma(\mathcal{S})$ such that $A \subset B$ and*

$$\mu^*(B \setminus A) = 0.$$

PROOF.

1. There is nothing to prove if $\mu^*(A) = \infty$, we assume that $\mu^*(A) < \infty$. There are $B_{n,i} \in \mathcal{S}$, $A \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} B_{n,i}$,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(B_{n,i}) < \mu^*(A) + \frac{1}{n}.$$

Set

$$B = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} B_{n,i}.$$

Then $A \subset B \in \sigma(\mathcal{S})$,

$$\mu^*(A) \leq \mu^*(B).$$

Moreover

$$\mu^*(B) \leq \mu^*\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} B_{n,i}\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(B_{n,i}) \leq \mu^*(A) + \frac{1}{n}.$$

It follows that

$$\mu^*(B) \leq \mu^*(A).$$

2. If μ is *finite* on \mathcal{S} , then by **1**, $\forall A \in \mathcal{F}_{\mu}^*$, there is $B \in \sigma(\mathcal{S})$ such that $A \subset B$ and

$$\mu^*(A) = \mu^*(B).$$

Since μ^* is a measure on \mathcal{F}_{μ}^* , this gives

$$\mu^*(B \setminus A) = 0.$$

The σ -finite case follows from similar argument as in step **3** of Theorem 9. \square

3.5. Approximating $\mu|_{\sigma(\mathcal{A})}$ by $\mu|_{\mathcal{A}}$.

Thm 11. *Let μ be a measure on the field \mathcal{A} with the generated outer measure μ^* . For any $A \in \sigma(\mathcal{A})$ with $\mu^*(A) < \infty$, $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, there is $B \in \mathcal{A}$ such that $\mu^*(A \Delta B) < \varepsilon$.*

If, in the last Theorem, the measure μ is defined on $\sigma(\mathcal{A})$ and σ -finite on \mathcal{A} , then μ must equal μ^* on $\sigma(\mathcal{A})$ by uniqueness, we can use μ in place of μ^* in the conclusion.

Thm 12. *Let \mathcal{A} be a field, μ a measure on $\sigma(\mathcal{A})$ and σ -finite on \mathcal{A} . For any $A \in \sigma(\mathcal{A})$ with $\mu(A) < \infty$, $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, there is $B \in \mathcal{A}$ such that $\mu(A \Delta B) < \varepsilon$.*

3.6. Completion of a measure space.

Thm 13. *Let (X, \mathcal{F}, μ) be a measure space,*

$$\bar{\mathcal{F}} \triangleq \{A \cup N : A \in \mathcal{F}, N \subset B \text{ for some } B \in \mathcal{F} \text{ with } \mu(B) = 0\}.$$

Define

$$\bar{\mu}(A \cup N) = \mu(A), \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{F}.$$

Then $(X, \bar{\mathcal{F}}, \bar{\mu})$ is a complete measure space.

Clearly the Theorem says

$$\bar{\mu}(A) = \mu(A), \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{F}.$$

PROOF. 1. $\bar{\mathcal{F}}$ is a σ -field.

Suppose $A \cup N \in \bar{\mathcal{F}}$ where $A \in \mathcal{F}$, $N \subset B$, $B \in \mathcal{F}$ with $\mu(B) = 0$.
Then

$$(A \cup N)^c = (A^c \cap B^c) \cup (B \cap A^c \cap N^c) \in \bar{\mathcal{F}}.$$

Suppose $A_i \cup N_i \in \bar{\mathcal{F}}$ where $A_i \in \mathcal{F}$, $N_i \subset B_i$, $B_i \in \mathcal{F}$ with $\mu(B_i) = 0$. Then

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} (A_i \cup N_i) = \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \right) \cup \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} N_i \right) \in \bar{\mathcal{F}},$$

since

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} N_i \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} B_i \in \mathcal{F}$$

and

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} B_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(B_i) = 0.$$

2. The definition of $\bar{\mu}$ nonambiguous, i.e.

$$A_1 \cup N_1 = A_2 \cup N_2 \in \tilde{\mathcal{F}} \implies \bar{\mu}(A_1 \cup N_1) = \bar{\mu}(A_2 \cup N_2).$$

Here $N_i \subset B_i$ for some $B_i \in \mathcal{F}$ with $\mu(B_i) = 0$, $i = 1, 2$.

$$\bar{\mu}(A_1 \cup N_1) = \mu(A_1) = \mu(A_1 \cup B_1 \cup B_2) \geq \mu(A_2) = \bar{\mu}(A_2 \cup N_2).$$

By symmetry,

$$\bar{\mu}(A_1 \cup N_1) \leq \bar{\mu}(A_2 \cup N_2).$$

3. Countable additivity. Suppose $A_i \cup N_i \in \bar{\mathcal{F}}$ disjoint, where $A_i \in \mathcal{F}$, $N_i \subset B_i$, $B_i \in \mathcal{F}$ with $\mu(B_i) = 0$. Then

$$\bar{\mu}\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty}(A_i \cup N_i)\right) = \mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty}A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty}\mu(A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty}\bar{\mu}(A_i \cup N_i).$$

4. Completeness. Let $A \cup N \in \bar{\mathcal{F}}$, $N \subset B$, $B \in \mathcal{F}$ with $\mu(B) = 0$ and $\bar{\mu}(A \cup N)$, then

$$\mu(A \cup B) = \mu(A) = \bar{\mu}(A \cup N) = 0.$$

So for any $C \subset A \cup N$, $C \subset A \cup B$,

$$C = \emptyset \cup C \in \bar{\mathcal{F}}.$$

□

Thm 14. Suppose that μ is σ -finite on the semi-ring \mathcal{S} with the generated outer measure μ^* . Then $(X, \mathcal{F}_\mu^*, \mu^*)$ is the completion of $(X, \sigma(\mathcal{S}), \mu^*)$.

PROOF. Let

$$\bar{\mathcal{F}} \triangleq \{A \cup N : A \in \sigma(\mathcal{S}), N \subset B \text{ for some } B \in \sigma(\mathcal{S}) \text{ with } \mu(B) = 0\}.$$

It is enough to show that

$$\mathcal{F}_\mu^* = \bar{\mathcal{F}}.$$

Since $(X, \mathcal{F}_\mu^*, \mu^*)$ is a complete measure space,

$$\bar{\mathcal{F}} \subset \mathcal{F}_\mu^*.$$

Let $A \in \mathcal{F}_\mu^*$, by Theorem 10 there exist $B, C \in \sigma(\mathcal{S})$ so that

$$A \subset B, \mu^*(B \setminus A) = 0; B \setminus A \subset C, \mu^*(C) = \mu^*(B \setminus A) = 0.$$

Writing

$$A = (B \cap C^c) \cup (A \cap C),$$

we get that $B \cap C^c \in \sigma(\mathcal{S})$, $(A \cap C) \subset C$, $\mu^*(C) = 0$, so $A \in \bar{\mathcal{F}}$. \square