

(93), Absolute continuity and Singularity: Unit - 4

Def. A set function  $\chi$  is said to be  $\mu$ -continuous or absolutely continuous w.r.t a measure  $\mu$  if  
 $\underline{\mu(A)} = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{\chi(A)} = 0$ , where  $A$  is a mble set.

Notation:-  $\chi \ll \mu$

Def:- A set function  $\chi$  is said to be singular w.r.t. a measure  $\mu$  if  $\exists$  a mble set  $N$  s.t.  
 $\underline{\mu(N)} = 0$  (i.e.  $N$  is a  $\mu$ -null set) &  
 $\underline{\chi(A)} = \underline{\chi(A \cap N)}$  i.e.  $\underline{\chi(A \cap N')} = 0$ .  
i.e.  $\chi$  has all its mass concentrated on a  $\mu$ -null set.

Notation:  $\chi \perp \mu$ .

examples: All continuous distributions have their probability measures absolutely continuous w.r.t the Lebesgue measure.

Similarly All discrete distributions have their prob. measure singular w.r.t. Lebesgue measure.

e.g. let  $Z^+ = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

let  $\mu_p$  denote prob. measure of Poisson dist<sup>n</sup>

then  $\mu_p(Z^+) = 1$

but  $\lambda(Z^+) = 0$

$\Rightarrow \mu_p \perp \lambda$

Similarly if  $\mu_B$  represents prob. measure of Binomial dist<sup>n</sup>, then  $\mu_B \perp \lambda$ .

1) In fact, all discrete distributions are singular w.r.t. Lebesgue measure.

2) All continuous distributions (like Normal, Gamma, Beta, Uniform, t etc) all are absolutely continuous w.r.t. Lebesgue measure.

3) All discrete distribution are singular w.r.t. all continuous distribution.

4) All discrete distribution are absolutely continuous w.r.t. counting measure.

$$\phi_{\text{Normal}} < \phi_{\text{Student's } t}$$

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Result:- If  $\psi_1 < \psi_2, \psi_2 < \psi_3 \Rightarrow \psi_1 < \psi_3$

Now, we like to define a set function using the concept of integral of a mble function.

So let us define set function  $v(A)$  as

$$\mathcal{V}(A) = \int_A f d\mu = \int f I_A d\mu.$$

Then  $\mathcal{V}(\cdot)$  is a set function defined on  $\sigma$ -field  $\mathcal{A}$ .  
 $\mathcal{V}$  is known as indefinite integral of  $f$ .

1) Now suppose first  $f$  is integrable, then we know that  $f$  is finite a.e. i.e  $\mu[f = \infty] = 0$ .

$\Rightarrow \int f d\mu < \infty$  hence  $V(\mu) < \infty$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{V}(A) \subset \omega \quad \forall A \in \mathbb{A}.$$

i.e  $\nu$  is finite  $\Rightarrow \nu$  is  $\sigma$ -finite also.

If we assume  $\mathcal{S}_f$  does exist then

$$\int f^+ d\mu < \infty \quad \text{OR} \quad \int \bar{f}^- d\mu < \infty.$$

Suppose  $\int f^+ d\mu < \infty$

Claim 1:  $\nu$  is  $\sigma$ -additive (countably additive).

i.e to prove if  $\{A_n\}$  is a seq<sup>n</sup> of disjoint sets in  $A$ ,

$(A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset \quad \forall i \neq j)$ , then  $\sum_{i=1}^n V(A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n V(A_i)$

Consider  $\mathcal{V}(\bigcup_{i=1}^n U_i) = \sum f_i d_{U_i}$

$$= \int f(I_{UA_n}) d\mu$$

$$= \int_f^+ I_{UA_n} du - \int_f^- I_{UA_n} du$$

$$= \int_{\Gamma}^+ f(\sum I_{A_n}) d\mu - \int_{\Gamma}^- f(\sum I_{A_n}) d\mu$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \textcircled{95} \quad \int \sum f^+ I_{A_n} du - \int \sum f^- I_{A_n} du \\
 &= \sum \int f^+ I_{A_n} du - \sum \int f^- I_{A_n} du \quad (\because \text{Indefinite}) \\
 &= \sum \left[ \int f^+ I_A du - \int f^- I_A du \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{integrals are } \sigma\text{-additive} \\ \text{by MCT} \end{array} \\
 &= \sum_{A_n} \int f d\mu \\
 &= \sum \nu(A_n) \\
 \Rightarrow \nu & \text{ is } \sigma\text{-additive}
 \end{aligned}$$

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Claim 2: Let  $f$  be almost everywhere finite valued  
 i.e  $\mu\{f = \pm\infty\} = 0$ . Let  $\mu$  be  $\sigma$ -finite then  
 $\nu$  is also  $\sigma$ -finite.

Proof:  $\mu$  is  $\sigma$ -finite  
 $\Rightarrow \exists \{B_n\}$  s.t.  ~~$\cup B_n = \Omega$~~   $\Rightarrow \Omega = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n$   
 $\& \mu(B_n) < \infty$

To prove  $\nu(B_n) < \infty$ ,  $\nu(B_n) = \int_B f d\mu$

Now  $f$  is a.e. finite

$\Rightarrow N = \{w \mid |f(w)| < \infty\}$  then  $\mu(N) = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \nu(B_n) &= \nu(B_n \cap N) + \nu(B_n \cap N^c) \\
 &= \nu(B_n \cap N)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$N = \{w \mid |f(w)| < \infty\}$$

$$= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \{w \mid k \leq f(w) < k+1\}$$

$$\text{i) } \nu(B_n) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \nu(B_n \cap \{k \leq f(w) < k+1\})$$

$$\text{ii) } |\nu(B_n)| = \left| \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{B_n \cap \{k \leq f(w) < k+1\}} f d\mu \right|$$

$$\leq 2 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (k+1) \int_{B_n \cap \{k \leq f(w) < k+1\}} d\mu$$

$$= 2 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (k+1) \mu[B_n \cap \{k \leq f(w) \leq k+1\}]$$

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$\langle \infty \because \mu$  is finite.

Thus  $\nu$  is  $\sigma$ -finite

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Remark: The problem which arises is whether the above stated properties characterize indefinite integrals? The answer lies in the following two celebrated theorems.

Lebesgue's decomposition theorem:

Let  $\mu$  be a  $\sigma$ -finite measure. Let  $\nu$  be a  $\sigma$ -finite and  $\sigma$ -additive set function on the same measure space. Then there exists a unique decomposition of  $\nu$  as  $\nu = \nu_1 + \nu_2$  where  $\nu_1$  and  $\nu_2$  satisfy,

$$\nu_1 \ll \mu \text{ & } \nu_2 \perp \mu.$$

Further  $\exists$  a non-negative a.e. finite valued function  $f$  which is determined up to an equivalence  $\exists \nu(A) = \int_A f d\mu, \forall A \in \mathcal{A}$ .

$f$  is called Radon-Nikodym derivative of  $\nu_1$  w.r.t.  $\mu$ .

Radon-Nikodym theorem:

Let  $\mu$  be  $\sigma$ -finite measure. Let  $\nu$  be a  $\sigma$ -finite and  $\sigma$ -additive measure. Let  $\nu \ll \mu$ . Then  $\nu$  is the indefinite integral of some a.e. finite valued function  $f$  i.e.  $\nu(A) = \int_A f d\mu, \forall A \in \mathcal{A}$ .

→ Here  $f$  is determined up to equivalence.  $f$  is called the R-N derivative of  $\nu$  w.r.t.  $\mu$  i.e.

$$f = \frac{d\nu}{d\mu}.$$

e.g. Let  $\mu_F$  be the L-S measure corresponding to a DF  $F$ .

Let  $\lambda$  be the Lebesgue measure

Suppose  ~~$\mu_F$~~   $\mu_F \ll \lambda$

$$\text{then } \mu_F(-\infty, x] = \int_{(-\infty, x]} f d\lambda = \int_{-\infty}^x f(t) dt :$$

$$\Rightarrow F(x) - F(-\infty) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(t) dt$$

(ii) i.e.  $F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(t)dt$

then  $\frac{d}{dx} F(x) = f(x)$

i.e.  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \mu_F = f(x)$

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The converse of the above theorems is also true.

Thus we have the following results which states both parts.

Thm: Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  be a  $\sigma$ -finite measure space. A set function  $\nu$  which is absolutely continuous w.r.t.  $\mu$  can be expressed as an indefinite integral of a finite function  $f$  i.e.

$$\nu(A) = \int_A f d\mu \quad \text{iff } \nu \text{ is } \sigma\text{-additive and } \sigma\text{-finite.}$$

Further  $f$  is integrable iff  $\nu$  is finite

( $f$  is determined up to an equivalence

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(98) Product space:

Suppose  $\Omega_1$  and  $\Omega_2$  are two abstract spaces with  $\sigma$ -fields  $\mathcal{A}_1$  and  $\mathcal{A}_2$  on them, & measures  $\mu_1$  &  $\mu_2$  respectively.

Thus  $(\Omega_1, \mathcal{A}_1, \mu_1)$  and  $(\Omega_2, \mathcal{A}_2, \mu_2)$  are two measure spaces.

Define

$$\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2 = \{(w_1, w_2) | w_1 \in \Omega_1, w_2 \in \Omega_2\}$$

is called the product space of the two spaces  $\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2$ .

Rectangles  $A_1 \times A_2$  in the product space is given by  $A_1 \times A_2 = \{(w_1, w_2) | w_1 \in A_1, w_2 \in A_2\}$

$$A_1 \subset \Omega_1, A_2 \subset \Omega_2, A_1 \in \mathcal{A}_1, A_2 \in \mathcal{A}_2$$

The question is to find appropriate  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2$  & to find measure on this  $\sigma$ -field.

Suppose  $A_1 \in \mathcal{A}_1, A_2 \in \mathcal{A}_2$  & consider

$$\mathcal{C} = \{A_1 \times A_2 \mid A_i \in \mathcal{A}_i, i=1,2\}$$

Is  $\mathcal{C}$  is a  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2$ ? Note that  $\mathcal{C}$  is not closed under compliments / Unions. So we find the  $\sigma$ -field generated by  $\mathcal{C}$ .

[Recall:-  $\sigma$  field generated by  $\mathcal{C}$  is the smallest  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2$  containing  $\mathcal{C}$ ].

We consider this  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2$  as the appropriate  $\sigma$ -field & call it product  $\sigma$ -field. & give the notation as  $\sigma(\mathcal{C}) = A_1 \times A_2$ . Thus  $A_1 \times A_2 \in \sigma(\mathcal{C})$ .

(99) Now define  $\mu(A_1 \times A_2) = \mu_1(A_1) \times \mu_2(A_2)$

Let  $B \in \mathcal{A}_1 \times \mathcal{A}_2$  be any mble set in  $\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2$ .

By Caratheodory extension theorem,

$\exists$  a measure  $\bar{\mu}$  on the  $\sigma$ -field  $\mathcal{A}_1 \times \mathcal{A}_2$

s.t. the above measure  $\mu$  is a restriction of  $\bar{\mu}$  on the rectangles.

$\bar{\mu}$  is called the extension of  $\mu$ .

$$\bar{\mu}(A_1 \times A_2) = \mu(A_1 \times A_2) = \mu_1(A_1) \times \mu_2(A_2).$$

Thus we have the measure space

$(\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2, \mathcal{A}_1 \times \mathcal{A}_2, \mu_1 \times \mu_2)$ , which is known as product measure space.

Section of sets:-

For any set  $A \subseteq \Omega_1 \times \Omega_2$ , define the section of  $A$  at  $w_1$  as

$$\{w_2 \in \Omega_2 \mid (w_1, w_2) \in A\} = A_{w_1}$$

Thus  $A_{w_1} \subseteq \Omega_2$

Similarly,

$$A_{w_2} = \{w_1 \in \Omega_1 \mid (w_1, w_2) \in A\} \subseteq \Omega_1$$

$$(A_1 \times A_2)_{w_1} = \begin{cases} A_2 & \text{if } w_1 \in A_1 \\ \emptyset & \text{if } w_1 \notin A_1 \end{cases}$$

Similarly

$$(A_1 \times A_2)_{w_2} = \begin{cases} A_1 & \text{if } w_2 \in A_2 \\ \emptyset & \text{if } w_2 \notin A_2 \end{cases}$$

Now let us define functions on the product measure space.

$$f(w_1, w_2) : \Omega_1 \times \Omega_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$f$  is mble iff  $\bar{f}(B) \in \mathcal{A}_1 \times \mathcal{A}_2 \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{B}$ .

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So let  $f: \mathbb{R}_1 \times \mathbb{R}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a mble function.

For fixed  $w_1 \in \mathbb{R}_1$ , section of  $f$  at  $w_1$  is defined by

$$f_{w_1}(w_2) = f(w_1, w_2) : \mathbb{R}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

Similarly, for fixed  $w_2 \in \mathbb{R}_2$ , section of  $f$  at  $w_2$  is defined as

$$f_{w_2}(w_1) = f(w_1, w_2) : \mathbb{R}_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

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Thm : Sections of mble sets are mble sets.

Proof : Recall sections of a rectangle  $A_1 \times A_2$  at  $w_1$

is either  $A_2$  or  $\emptyset$ . Since  $A_2 \neq \emptyset \in \mathcal{A}_2 \Rightarrow (A_1 \times A_2)_{w_1}$  is a mble set.

Since all mble sets  $A \in \mathcal{A}_1 \times \mathcal{A}_2$  are generated from rectangles  $A_1 \times A_2$ , it follows that  $A_{w_1}$  is also a mble set. Hence the theorem.

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Thm : Sections of mble functions are also mble.

Proof : Let  $f: \mathbb{R}_1 \times \mathbb{R}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a mble function.

$$\Rightarrow \bar{f}^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{A}_1 \times \mathcal{A}_2 \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{B}.$$

Consider  $f_{w_1}(w_2) : \mathbb{R}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  (for fixed  $w_1$ )

To prove  $\bar{f}_{w_1}^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{A}_2 \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{B}$ .

$$\text{Consider } \bar{f}_{w_1}^{-1}(B) = \{w_2 \mid f_{w_1}(w_2) \in B\}$$

$$= \{w_2 \mid f(w_1, w_2) \in B\}$$

$$= \{(w, w_2) \mid f(w, w_2) \in B\}_{w_1}$$

$$= \{\bar{f}^{-1}(B)\}_{w_1} \in \mathcal{A}_2$$

$\Rightarrow f_{w_1}$  is mble. Similarly we can prove  
 $f_{w_2}$  is also mble

$\Rightarrow$  Sections of mble functions are also mble

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### Fubini's Theorem:-

Let  $(\Omega_1, \mathcal{A}_1, \mu_1) \neq (\Omega_2, \mathcal{A}_2, \mu_2)$  be two  $\sigma$ -finite measure spaces.

Let  $(\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2, \mathcal{A}_1 \times \mathcal{A}_2, \mu_1 \times \mu_2)$  be the product measure space. Let  $f$  be a function measurable w.r.t.  $\mathcal{A}_1 \times \mathcal{A}_2$ . Let  $f(w_1, w_2)$  be either non-negative or integrable w.r.t. measure  $\mu_1 \times \mu_2$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2} f \, d(\mu_1 \times \mu_2) &= \int_{\Omega_1} \left[ \int_{\Omega_2} f(w_1, w_2) \, d\mu_2 \right] d\mu_1 \\ &= \int_{\Omega_2} \left[ \int_{\Omega_1} f(w_1, w_2) \, d\mu_1 \right] d\mu_2. \end{aligned}$$

Further sections of  $\times$  i.e.  $x_{w_1(\cdot)}$  &  $x_{w_2(\cdot)}$  also integrable.

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Remark : (i) Iterated integrals are to be read from right to left.

(ii) The above result extends to products of arbitrary but finite no. of product measure spaces.

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