

$\mathcal{M}$   $\sigma$ -algebra on  $X$

⑥  $\mathcal{M} \neq \emptyset$

①  $\mathcal{M}$  is closed under countable union

②  $\mathcal{M}$  is closed under complements

Observe if  $\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{N}$   $\sigma$ -algs on  $X$ , so is  $\mathcal{M} \cap \mathcal{N}$ .

So, for  $E \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$ , we can define  $\mathcal{M}(E)$  as the smallest  $\sigma$ -algebra on  $X$  containing  $E$ .

$$\mathcal{M}(E) := \bigcap_{E \subset \mathcal{M}} \mathcal{M}$$

Examples: Let  $(X, \overset{\text{topologies}}{\tau})$  be a topological space

$\tau \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$  s.t.

⑥  $\emptyset, X \in \tau$

①  $\tau$  closed under arbitrary unions

②  $\tau$  closed under finite intersections

Sets in  $\tau$  are open sets.

$\mathcal{B} := \mathcal{M}(\tau)$  is called the Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra

Defn. a countable intersection of open sets is a  $G_\delta$  set

" " union " closed "  $F_\sigma$  "

" " union "  $G_\delta$  "  $G_{\delta\sigma}$  "

" " intersection "  $F_\sigma$  "  $F_{\sigma\delta}$  "

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When  $X = \mathbb{R}$ , topology induced by  $\rho(x, y) = |x - y|$ ,

$\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$  is Borel  $\sigma$ -alg.

Prop:  $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}} = \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{E})$  for the following  $\mathcal{E}$ :

- ① open intervals  $(a, b)$
- ② closed intervals  $[a, b]$
- ③ half-open intervals  $[a, b)$  or  $(a, b]$  ← ③'
- ④ open rays  $(a, \infty)$  or  $(-\infty, a)$  ← ④'
- ⑤ closed rays  $[a, \infty)$  or  $(-\infty, a]$  ← ⑤'

Observation: If  $\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$  with  $\mathcal{E} \subset \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{F})$ ,  
then  $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{E}) \subset \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{F})$ .

proof of prop: ①, ②, ④, ..., ⑤ are open or closed,  
so they lie in  $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$ . ③ are  $(a, \infty) \cap (b, \infty)^c$   
and ③ similarly, so they lie in  $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$ , so  
their  $\sigma$ -algebras lie in  $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$ .

lemma: all open sets in  $\mathbb{R}$  are countable unions of <sup>disjoint</sup> open intervals.

steps of proof of prop: let  $U \subset \mathbb{R}$  be open.

- ①  $\forall x \in U$ , let  $I_x$  be max. interval  $\subset U$  containing  $x$ . This exists.
- ②  $\{I_x \mid x \in U\}$  has disjoint elts:  $I_x \cap I_y = \begin{cases} I_x \\ \emptyset \end{cases}$
- ③  $J$  is countable &  $\bigcup J = U$ .  
↳ inject  $J \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$ .

So conversely,  $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}} \subset \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{O})$ , and  $\forall$  else, show

$$\textcircled{1} \subset \mathcal{M}(\textcircled{1}) \quad \forall i > 1.$$

□

A set  $X$  equipped w/ a  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{M}$  is called a measurable space.

A measure on a measurable space  $(X, \mathcal{M})$  is a fn

$$\mu: \mathcal{M} \longrightarrow [0, \infty] \quad \text{s.t.}$$

$$\textcircled{a} \quad \mu(\emptyset) = 0$$

$$\textcircled{b} \quad \forall \text{ seq of disjoint sets } (E_n), \\ \mu\left(\bigsqcup E_n\right) = \sum \mu(E_n).$$

call  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  a measure space.

- A measure space is called finite if  $\mu(X) < \infty$ ,
- ↳ it's  $\sigma$ -finite if  $X = \bigcup E_n$  where  $\mu(E_n) < \infty \quad \forall n$ .
- ↳ It's semifinite if  $\forall E \in \mathcal{M}$  w/  $\mu(E) = \infty$ ,  $\exists F \subset E$  s.t.  $0 < \mu(F) < \infty$ .
- It's complete if  $E \in \mathcal{M}$  w/  $\mu(E) = 0$  and  $F \subset E \implies F \in \mathcal{M}$  &  $\mu(F) = 0$ .  
(all subsets of null-sets are in  $\sigma$ -algebra).

Examples:

① counting measure on  $P(X)$

② pick  $x_0 \in X$ , then on  $P(X)$ , define  $\mu(E) = 0$  if  $x_0 \notin E$ ,  
1 if  $x_0 \in E$ .  
(point mass / Dirac measure)

③ pick any  $f: X \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  and on  $P(X)$  define

$$\mu(E) = \sum_{x \in E} f(x)$$

④ on  $\sigma$ -algebra of countable or co-countable sets,

$$\mu(E) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for ctble sets} \\ 1 & \text{for co-ctble sets} \end{cases}$$

### Basic Properties:

① (Monotonicity)  $E, F \in \mathcal{M}$ ,  $E \subset F$ , then  $\mu(E) \leq \mu(F)$ .

pf  $F = E \cup (F \setminus E)$ .

② (sub additivity)  $(E_n) \subset \mathcal{M} \Rightarrow \mu(\cup E_n) \leq \sum \mu(E_n)$ .

pf disjointly.

③ (Continuity from below)  $E_1 \subset E_2 \subset E_3 \subset \dots \Rightarrow \mu(\cup E_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(E_n)$

pf disjointly easily. set  $E_0 = \emptyset$ ,

$$\mu(\cup E_n) = \mu(\cup (E_n \setminus E_{n-1}))$$

$$= \sum \mu(E_n \setminus E_{n-1})$$

$$= \lim_k \sum_1^k \mu(E_n \setminus E_{n-1})$$

$$= \lim_k \mu(\cup_1^k E_n \setminus E_{n-1})$$

$$= \lim_k \mu(E_k).$$