

MATH 20510 NOTES

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Lecture 1

Lebesgue integration is a generalization of Riemann of the Riemann-Stieltjes integral. Idea is that we have some set and we can cover a set in \mathbb{R}^n with n - cells and then shrink the size of the n - cells to decrease the size of the over-approximation.

Definition 0.1. A family \mathcal{A} of sets is called a **ring** if for every $A, B \in \mathcal{A}$

- (1) $A \cup B \in \mathcal{A}$
- (2) $A \setminus B \in \mathcal{A}$

A ring is called a σ -**ring** if, for every $\{A_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$, then $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \in \mathcal{A}$.

Remark 0.2. If \mathcal{A} is a σ -ring and $\{A_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$, then $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \in \mathcal{A}$.

Definition 0.3. -

- (1) ϕ is a set function defined on a ring \mathcal{A} if $\phi(A) \in [-\infty, \infty] \forall A \in \mathcal{A}$.
- (2) ϕ is **additive** if $A \cap B = \emptyset$, $\phi(A \cup B) = \phi(A) + \phi(B)$.
- (3) ϕ is **countably additive** if $\{A_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is pairwise disjoint (if $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$ if $i \neq j$), then $\phi(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \phi(A_n)$ (assuming we don't have $\phi(A) = \pm\infty$ for any $A \in \mathcal{A}$).

Remark 0.4. If ϕ is additive, then

- (1) $\phi(\emptyset) = 0$ (We know $\phi(\emptyset)$ is well-defined because $\phi(A \setminus A) = \phi(\emptyset)$)
- (2) $\phi(A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_n) = \sum_{k=1}^n \phi(A_k)$ if A_1, \dots, A_n are pairwise disjoint.
- (3) $\phi(A_1 \cup A_2) + \phi(A_1 \cap A_2) = \phi(A_1) + \phi(A_2)$, $\forall A_1, \dots, A_2 \in \mathcal{A}$.
- (4) If ϕ is non-negative and $A_1 \subseteq A_2 \subseteq A_3 \subseteq \dots$, then $\phi(A_1) \leq \phi(A_2) \leq \phi(A_3) \leq \dots$
- (5) If $B \subseteq A$ and $|\phi(B)| < \infty$, then $\phi(A \setminus B) = \phi(A) - \phi(B)$.

The proofs for all of these are exercises.

Theorem 0.5. ϕ is countably additive on a ring \mathcal{A} . Suppose that $\{A_n\} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$, $A_1 \subseteq A_2 \subseteq A_3 \dots$ and $A = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \in \mathcal{A}$, then $\phi(A_n) \rightarrow \phi(A)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Note: \mathcal{A} is not a σ -ring because the above holds for the sequence.

Proof. Set $B_1 = A_1$ and define $B_n = A_n \setminus A_{n-1}$. Note that

- (1) $\{B_n\}$ are pairwise disjoint
- (2) $A_n = \bigcup_{i=1}^n B_i$
- (3) $A = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} B_i$

We have $\phi(A_n) = \phi(\bigcup_{i=1}^n B_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \phi(B_i)$ and $\phi(A) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \phi(B_i)$.

The conclusion clearly follows. \square

Construction of the Lebesgue Measure

Definition 0.6. -

- (1) An interval of \mathbb{R}^n (empty set is an interval) is a set of points $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ such that $a_i \leq x_i \leq b_i$ or $a_i \leq x_i < b_i$ or $a_i < x_i \leq b_i$ or $a_i < x_i < b_i \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq n$.
- (2) If $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is a union of a finite number of intervals, we say that A is **elementary**.
- (3) The set of all elementary sets is denoted by \mathcal{E} .
- (4) If $I = \{(a, b)\}^n$ is an interval of \mathbb{R}^n , define $\text{vol}(I) = \prod_{i=1}^n (b_i - a_i)$.
- (5) If $A_k = \bigcup_{i=1}^k I_i$ and $\{I_k\}$ are pairwise disjoint, we define $\text{vol}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \text{vol}(I_i)$.

Lecture 2

Remarks 0.7. (Prove these)

- (1) \mathcal{E} is a ring, but not a σ -ring.
- (2) $A \in \mathcal{E}$, then A can be written as a finite union of disjoint intervals.
- (3) If $A \in \mathcal{E}$, then $\text{vol}(A)$ does not depend on the decomposition of intervals.
- (4) Vol is additive on \mathcal{E} ($\text{vol}(A \sqcup B) = \text{vol}(A) + \text{vol}(B)$).

Definition 0.8. A nonnegative additive set function ϕ on \mathcal{E} is **regular** if the following holds: For every $A \in \mathcal{E}$, $\forall \epsilon > 0 \quad \exists$ open $G \supseteq A$ and \exists compact set $F \subseteq A$ s.t. $\phi(G) - \epsilon \leq \phi(A) \leq \phi(F) + \epsilon$ (we will eventually talk about sets with no open subsets).

Remarks 0.9. -

- (1) Since $F \subseteq A \subseteq G$ and ϕ non-negative, then $\phi(F) \leq \phi(A) \leq \phi(G)$.
- (2) vol is regular

Definition 0.10. -

- (1) A **countable open cover** of $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is a countable collection of open elementary sets $\{A_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ s.t. $E \subseteq \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$.
- (2) Define the **Lebesgue outer measure** of any set $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ by $m^*(E) = \inf \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \text{vol}(A_n)$ where we take the inf over all countable open covers of E .

Remarks 0.11. -

- (1) m^* is well defined for every $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$
- (2) $m^* \geq 0$
- (3) If $E_1 \subseteq E_2$, then $m^*(E_1) \leq m^*(E_2)$.

Theorem 0.12. If A is an elementary set, then $m^*(A) = \text{vol}(A)$.

Proof. Let $A \in \mathcal{E}$, $\epsilon > 0$. Since vol is regular, \exists open elementary set $G \supseteq A$ s.t. $\text{vol}(G) \leq \text{vol}(A) + \epsilon$. Since $G \supseteq A$ and $G \in \mathcal{E}$, then $m^*(A) \leq \text{vol}(A) + \epsilon$. By the definition of the outer measure, \exists a collection of open elementary sets $\{A_n\}$ s.t. $A \subseteq \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$ and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \text{vol}(A_n) \leq m^*(A) + \epsilon$. Call this result 1.

Recall that since vol is regular, \exists compact elementary set F s.t. $F \subseteq A$ and $\text{vol}(A) \leq \text{vol}(F) + \epsilon$. Since F is compact, $F \subseteq A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_N$ for some sufficiently large N . We have $\text{vol}(A) \leq \text{vol}(F) + \epsilon \leq \text{vol}(A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_N) + \epsilon \leq \sum_{i=1}^N \text{vol}(A_i) + \epsilon \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \text{vol}(A_i) + \epsilon \leq m^*(A) + \epsilon + \epsilon$. Call this result 2.

From results 1 and 2, we have $\text{vol}(A) - 2\epsilon \leq m^* \leq \text{vol}(A) + \epsilon$. Since ϵ is arbitrary, we are done. \square