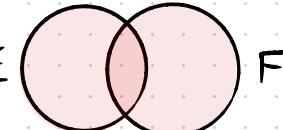


1. Measure Theory

Def: Fix a set Ω and a set A of subsets of Ω with $\emptyset \in A$

A is a **ring** if

- a) If $E, F \in A$ then $E \cup F \in A$,
- b) If $E, F \in A$ then $F \setminus E \in A$



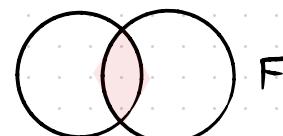
A is a **π -system** if

- c) If $E, F \in A$ then $E \cap F \in A$



A is a **field** if it is a ring and also

- b) If $E \in A$ then $E^c \in A$
- c) $E \in A$



Exercise Fields are π -systems.

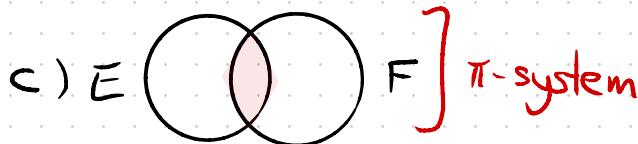
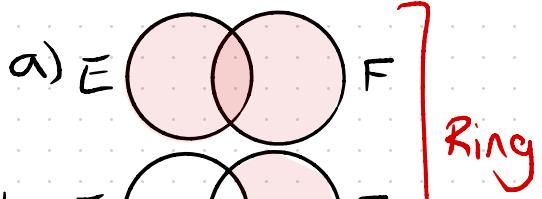
A is a **σ -field** if it is a field and also

- a') For any seq. $(A_n, n \geq 1)$ of elements of A , $\bigcup_{n \geq 1} A_n \in A$

Def: For any set A of subsets of Ω , the **σ -field generated by A** is

$$\sigma(A) := \bigcap \{ \mathcal{F} : A \subseteq \mathcal{F} \text{ and } \mathcal{F} \text{ a } \sigma\text{-field} \}.$$

The definition in pictures



Ring

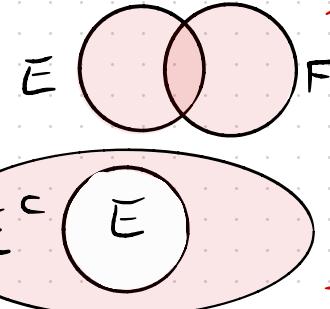
π -system

λ -system
(Ω must be
an element)

EUF

E^c

\cap



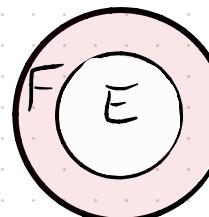
②

Field

σ -Field

E_∞ $E_\infty = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_n$

$F \setminus E$



μ additive:

$$E \cap F = \emptyset \Rightarrow \mu(E \cup F) = \mu(E) + \mu(F)$$

μ countably add.

$$(E_n, n \geq 1) \text{ disj} \Rightarrow \mu(\bigcup E_n) = \sum_n \mu(E_n)$$

$$A \rightarrow \sigma(A) := \bigcap \mathcal{F}$$

$\{ \mathcal{F} \supset A : \mathcal{F} \text{ } \sigma\text{-field}\}$

Pre-measure μ on ring A : ① $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$;

② If $(A_n, n \geq 1)$ disj. elts of A , $\bigcup_{n \geq 1} A_n \in A$ then $\sum_{n \geq 1} \mu(A_n) = \mu(\bigcup_{n \geq 1} A_n)$

Building measures

Def Fix a ring A over Ω . A pre-measure on A is a function $\mu: A \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ with $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$ st.

for any seq. $(A_n, n \geq 1)$ of disjoint elements of A

$$\text{if } \bigcup_{n \geq 1} A_n \in A \text{ then } \mu\left(\bigcup_{n \geq 1} A_n\right) = \sum_{n \geq 1} \mu(A_n)$$

We then say (Ω, A, μ) is a pre-measure space.

Carathéodory Extension Theorem Let (Ω, A, μ) be a pre-measure space. Then there exists a σ -field \mathcal{F} containing A st. μ extends to a measure on \mathcal{F} .

Dynkin's Theorem: Let (Ω, \mathcal{F}) be a set with a σ -field on it, and let $P \subset \mathcal{F}$ be a π -system with $\sigma(P) = \mathcal{F}$. If μ_1, μ_2 are measures on \mathcal{F} and $\mu_1(E) = \mu_2(E)$ for all $E \in P$ then $\mu_1 \equiv \mu_2$.

Aside

It seems to me that the following should be true.

Let $(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{P})$ be a set with a π -system on it.

Let $\mu: \mathcal{P} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ be s.t. $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$ and if

$(P_n, n \geq 1)$ are disjoint elements of \mathcal{P} s.t. $\bigcup_{n \geq 1} P_n \stackrel{?}{\subseteq} Q \in \mathcal{P}$

then $\sum_{n \geq 1} \mu(P_n) \stackrel{?}{\leq} \mu(Q)$

[Note: If $Q \subseteq \bigcup_{n \geq 1} P_n$ then $Q = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} Q \cap P_n$]

Then there exists a measure on $\sigma(\mathcal{P})$ extending μ .

Examples

- $\Omega = \mathbb{R}$, $A = \text{Finite unions of intervals } (a, b] = \{(a_1, b_1] \cup \dots \cup (a_k, b_k]\},$
 $(\text{CDF: } F_X(b) - F_X(a) = P(X \in (a, b]) = \mu_X(a, b]) \quad a_1, \dots, a_k, b_1, \dots, b_k \in \mathbb{R})$

A is an algebra; want to know that F_X determines dist. of X .

- $\Omega = \{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{N}} = \{(x_i, i \geq 1) : x_i \in \{0, 1\} \forall i\}$.

$A = \text{Cylinder sets. Cylinder set: for } S \subset \mathbb{N} \text{ finite and } \vec{y} = (y_i, i \in S),$
 $C_{\vec{y}} := \{\vec{x} \in \Omega : x_i = y_i \forall i \in S\}.$

For cylinder set $C_{\vec{y}}$ set $\mu(C_{\vec{y}}) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{|S|}$. ("IID Fair coins")

Should be able to extend μ to a p.m. on $(\Omega, \sigma(A))$; μ models "an ∞ sequence of fair coin tosses".

Carathéodory Proof

Idea: Approximate from above.

Let $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$ be a pre-measurable space

For $B \subset \Omega$ let

$$\mu^*(B) := \inf \left(\sum_{n \geq 1} \mu(A_n) : A_n \in \mathcal{A}, n \geq 1; \bigcup_{n \geq 1} A_n \subset B \right).$$

i.e. $(A_n, n \geq 1)$ covers B .

Prop: μ^* is an outer measure: $\mu^*: 2^\Omega \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ satisfies

i) $\mu^*(\emptyset) = 0$;

ii) $E \subset F \Rightarrow \mu^*(E) \leq \mu^*(F)$;

iii) if $(E_i, i \geq 1)$ are subsets of Ω then $\mu^*(\bigcup_{i \geq 1} E_i) \leq \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu^*(E_i)$.

i.e. μ^* is subadditive.

Def: Given an outer measure μ^* on Ω , say $A \subset \Omega$ is μ^* -additive if for all $B \subset \Omega$, $\mu^*(B) = \mu^*(A \cap B) + \mu^*(A \cap B)$

Carathéodory Lemma Let $\mathfrak{F} := \{A \subset \Omega : A \text{ is } \mu^*\text{-additive}\}$

Define $\mu: \mathfrak{F} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ by $\mu(B) = \mu^*(B)$. Then $(\Omega, \mathfrak{F}, \mu)$ is a measure space (i.e. \mathfrak{F} is a σ -algebra over Ω and μ is a measure on \mathfrak{F}).

Proof of Prop

(i) If $B \in A$ then $\mu^*(B) \leq \mu(B)$ since $(B, \emptyset, \emptyset, \dots)$ covers B .

In particular $\mu^*(\emptyset) \leq \mu(\emptyset) = 0$ so $\mu^*(\emptyset) = 0$.

(ii) If $E \subset F$ then any cover of F is a cover of E so

$\mu^*(F)$ is an inf over a smaller set so $\mu^*(F) \geq \mu^*(E)$.

(iii) "Dyadic trick": Given $(E_i, i \geq 1)$ subsets of Ω . Write $E = \bigcup_{i \geq 1} E_i$

We prove: $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \mu^*(E) \leq \left(\sum_{i \geq 1} \mu^*(E_i) \right) + \varepsilon$.

Fix $\varepsilon > 0$, then for all $i \geq 1$ fix a cover $(A_n^i, n \geq 1)$ of E_i

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_{n \geq 1} \mu(A_n^i) \leq \mu^*(E_i) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2^i}.$$

Then $(A_n^i, n, i \geq 1)$ covers E so

$$\mu^*(E) \leq \sum_{n, i \geq 1} \mu(A_n^i) \leq \sum_{i \geq 1} \left(\mu^*(E_i) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2^i} \right) = \left(\sum_{i \geq 1} \mu^*(E_i) \right) + \varepsilon \quad \square$$

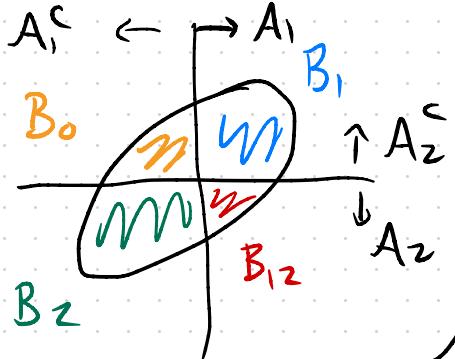
Proof of Carathéodory Lemma

Step 1: Prove \mathcal{F} is a σ -field

Step 2: Prove μ is a measure on \mathcal{F} .

Step 1: * \mathcal{F} obv. closed under complements (def. is invariant to $A \mapsto A^c$)

* Closure under \cap trickier. Fix $A_1, A_2 \in \mathcal{F}$ and any $B \subset \mathbb{R}$.



Write $B = B_0 \cup B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_{12}$ according to \cap with A_1, A_2 .

Then $A_1 \in \mathcal{F}$

$$\mu^*(B) = \mu^*(B \cap A_1) + \mu^*(B \cap A_1^c)$$

$$A_2 \in \mathcal{F} - = \mu^*(B_1) + \mu^*(B_{12}) \quad \mu^*(B_0) + \mu^*(B_2) \leq A_1 \cap A_2$$

Also

$$\mu^*(B \setminus B_{12}) = \mu^*(B_1) + \mu^*(B_0) + \mu^*(B_2) \in \mathcal{F}.$$

$$\text{So } \mu^*(B) = \mu^*(B \setminus B_{12}) + \mu^*(B_{12}) = \mu^*(B \cap (A_1 \cap A_2)^c) + \mu^*(B \cap A_1 \cap A_2)$$

*Countable \cup : Fix disjoint sets $(A_n, n \geq 1)$ in \mathcal{F} , let $A = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} A_n$

Fix $B \in \mathcal{F}$. Since μ^* is an outer measure, it is subadditive so
 $\mu(A) \leq \mu(A \cap B) + \mu(A^c \cap B)$; need to prove " \geq ".

"Cut A into pieces" with A_1 , then A_2 , etc. Disjointness plus
the fact that all $A_i \subset A$ gives

$$\mu^*(B) = \mu^*(A_1 \cap B) + \mu^*(A_2 \cap B) + \dots + \mu^*(A_n \cap B) + \mu^*\left(B \cap \bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i^c\right)$$

$$\stackrel{\begin{array}{l} B \cap \bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i^c \\ \supseteq B \cap A^c \end{array}}{\Rightarrow} \mu^*(A_1 \cap B) + \dots + \mu^*(A_n \cap B) + \mu^*(A^c \cap B)$$

Take a limit in n to get

$$\mu^*(B) \geq \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu^*(A_i \cap B) + \mu^*(A^c \cap B)$$

$$\geq \mu\left(\bigcup_{i \geq 1} A_i \cap B\right) + \mu^*(A^c \cap B) = \mu(A \cap B) + \mu(A^c \cap B), \text{ so } A \in \mathcal{F}.$$

We also just proved that if $(A_n, n \geq 1)$ disjoint set in \mathcal{F}

then

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

So $\mu^*(A) = \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu^*(A_i)$, i.e. μ restricts to a measure on \mathcal{F} .

Proof of Carathéodory X Theorem Let μ^* be the outer measure as above.

Step 1: If $A \in \mathcal{A}$ then $\mu^*(A) = \mu(A)$
(so μ^* extends μ)

Step 2: $A \in \mathcal{F}$
(so \mathcal{F} extends \mathcal{A})

Step 1: We know $\mu^*(A) \leq \mu(A)$, want rev. ineq.

Let $(A_i, i \geq 1)$ be a cover of A . For $n \geq 1$ let $B_n = A_n \setminus (A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_{n-1})$

Then $(B_i, i \geq 1)$ is a disjoint cover of A ($\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} B_i \text{ for } n$),

$$\bigcup_{i \geq 1} (B_i \cap A) = A \text{ so}$$

$$\mu(A) = \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu(B_i \cap A) \leq \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu(B_i) \leq \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu(A_i).$$

Take inf over covers $(A_i, i \geq 1)$ of A to get

$$\mu(A) \leq \mu^*(A) \quad \square$$

Step 2: Need to show if $A \in \mathcal{A}$ then A is μ^* -additive: \cup

$$B \subseteq \mathbb{R}, \quad \mu^*(B) = \mu^*(A \cap B) + \mu^*(A^c \cap B).$$

" \leq " easy (subadditivity)

" $>$ " Fix $\varepsilon > 0$, fix a cover $(A_n, n \geq 1)$ of B with elements of \mathcal{A}

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_{n \geq 1} \mu(A_n) \leq \mu^*(B) + \varepsilon.$$

Then $(A \cap A_n, n \geq 1)$ covers $A \cap B$ and $(A^c \cap A_n, n \geq 1)$ covers $A^c \cap B$,

so

$$\begin{aligned} \mu^*(A \cap B) + \mu^*(A^c \cap B) &\leq \sum_{n \geq 1} \mu^*(A \cap A_n) + \sum_{n \geq 1} \mu^*(A^c \cap A_n) \\ &= \sum_{n \geq 1} \mu^*(A \cap A_n) + \mu^*(A^c \cap A_n) \\ &= \sum_{n \geq 1} \mu^*(A_n) \leq \mu^*(B) + \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

But $\varepsilon > 0$ arbitrary \Rightarrow

$$\mu^*(A \cap B) + \mu^*(A^c \cap B) \leq \mu^*(B) + \varepsilon. \quad \square$$

Last class:

Carathéodory Extension Theorem Let $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$ be a pre-measure space. Then there exists a σ -field \mathcal{F} containing \mathcal{A} st. μ extends to a measure on \mathcal{F} .

The field \mathcal{F} was the sets E st. $\mu(E) = \mu^*(E \cap F) + \mu^*(E \cap F^c)$ for all $F \subset \Omega$.

If $A = A(\mathbb{R}) := \{(a_1, b_1] \cup \dots \cup (a_k, b_k], k \in \mathbb{N}, -\infty < a_1 \leq b_1 \leq \dots \leq a_k \leq b_k < \infty\}$

then \mathcal{F} is called the Lebesgue measurable sets of \mathbb{R} ; denote this by $\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R})$.

NB: $\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R})$ is not the smallest σ -field containing A . The smallest is $\sigma(A(\mathbb{R})) = \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$, the Borel σ -field over \mathbb{R} . In fact, $\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R})$ is the completion of $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$.

This class:

① Dynkin's Theorem: Let (Ω, \mathcal{F}) be a set with a σ -field on it, and let $P \subset \mathcal{F}$ be a π -system with $\sigma(P) = \mathcal{F}$. If μ_1, μ_2 are measures on \mathcal{F} and $\mu_1(E) = \mu_2(E)$ for all $E \in P$ then $\mu_1 \equiv \mu_2$.

② Stieltjes Measures

One more definition:

A set $A \subset 2^{\Omega}$ is a λ -system over Ω if $\Omega \in A$ and

- $E, F \in A, E \subset F \Rightarrow F \setminus E \in A$
- $E_n \in A, n \geq 1$ with $E_n \cap E_{\infty} \Rightarrow E_{\infty} \in A$

Exercises

- ① If A a σ -field over $\Omega \Rightarrow A$ a λ -system over Ω
- ② If $A \subset 2^{\Omega}$ is a π -system and a λ -system then A is a σ -field.
- ③ If $\{\Lambda_i, i \in I\}$ are λ -systems over Ω then $\bigcap_{i \in I} \Lambda_i$ is a λ -system over Ω .

Dynkin's π -system lemma

Let P be a π -system over Ω . Then

$$[\sigma(P) := \bigcap_{\{\mathcal{F} \ni P : \mathcal{F} \text{ a } \sigma\text{-field}\}} \mathcal{F} = \bigcap_{\{\mathcal{F} \ni P : \mathcal{F} \text{ a } \lambda\text{-system}\}} \mathcal{F}] = \lambda(P)$$

Proof: $\lambda(P) \subseteq \sigma(P)$

By ③, σ -fields are λ -systems, so RHS is an \bigcap of a larger collection of sets.

$\sigma(P) \subseteq \lambda(P)$ We'll show $\lambda(P)$ is a π -system. Exercise ② then implies $\lambda(P)$ is a σ -field, so $\sigma(P) = \bigcap_{\mathcal{F} \text{ a } \sigma\text{-field}} \mathcal{F} \subseteq \lambda(P)$

Remains to prove $\lambda(P)$ is a π -system

Proof Must prove: $E \cap F \in \lambda(P)$ for all $E, F \in \lambda(P)$

- Say $E \in \lambda(P)$ is cooperative if $E \cap P \in \lambda(P)$ for all $P \in \mathcal{P}$.
- Say $E \in \lambda(P)$ is helpful if $E \cap F \in \lambda(P)$ for all $F \in \lambda(P)$.

If we show all elements of $\lambda(P)$ are helpful then we are done.

Which sets are cooperative? • Ω is cooperative $\Omega \cap P = P \in \lambda(P)$ for all $P \in \mathcal{P}$.

- If $E \in \mathcal{P}$ then $E \cap P \in \mathcal{P}$ for all $P \in \mathcal{P}$ so E is cooperative

All elts of \mathcal{P} cooperative

- If E, F coop. then $\forall P \in \mathcal{P}, E \cap P \in \lambda(P)$ and $F \cap P \in \lambda(P)$

If also $E \subset F$ then $E \cap P \subset F \cap P$, so $(F \setminus E) \cap P = (F \cap P) \setminus (E \cap P) \in \lambda(P)$

If E, F coop. and $E \subset F$ then $F \setminus E$ coop.

$\lambda(P)$ a π -system

- If $(E_n, n \geq 1)$ increasing, $E_n \uparrow E_\infty$, all E_n cooperative, then for all $P \in P$, $E_n \cap P \in \lambda(P)$, and $E_n \cap P \uparrow E_\infty \cap P$ so $E_\infty \in P$.

If $E_n \uparrow E_\infty$, all E_n coop. then E_∞ coop

We have showed that $\{\text{Cooperative sets}\}$ is a λ -system containing P ; so all sets in $\lambda(P)$ cooperative.

Which sets are helpful? • Ω is helpful $\Omega \cap F = F \in \lambda(P)$ for all $F \in \lambda(P)$.

- If $E \in P$ then for all $F \in \lambda(P)$, E cooperative so $E \cap F \in \lambda(P)$; so E helpful.

All sets of P are helpful

- If E, F helpful then $\forall G \in \lambda(P)$, $E \cap G \in \lambda(P)$ and $F \cap G \in \lambda(P)$

If also $E \subset F$ then $E \cap G \subset F \cap G$, so $(F \setminus E) \cap G = (F \cap G) \setminus (E \cap G) \in \lambda(P)$

If E, F helpful and $E \subset F$ then $F \setminus E$ helpful

- Likewise, if $(E_n, n \geq 1)$ are helpful and $E_n \uparrow E_\infty$ then E_∞ helpful.

So $\{\text{helpful sets}\}$ is a λ -system containing P ; so all sets in $\lambda(P)$ are helpful. So we are done. □

Dynkin's Theorem: Let (Ω, \mathcal{F}) be a set with a σ -field on it, and let $P \subset \mathcal{F}$ be a π -system with $\sigma(P) = \mathcal{F}$. If μ_1, μ_2 are measures on \mathcal{F} and $\mu_1(E) = \mu_2(E)$ for all $E \in P$ then $\mu_1 = \mu_2$.

Proof of Dynkin's Thm

Let $\Lambda = \{F \in \mathcal{F} : \mu_1(F) = \mu_2(F)\}$.

Then

- $P \subset \Lambda$ by def.
- If $E, F \in \Lambda$, $E \subset F$ then $\mu_1(F \setminus E) = \mu_1(F) - \mu_1(E)$
 $= \mu_2(F) - \mu_2(E) = \mu_2(F \setminus E)$

so $\mu_1(F \setminus E) = \mu_2(F \setminus E)$. If $E, F \in \Lambda$, $E \subset F$ then $F \setminus E \in \Lambda$

- If $E_n \in \Lambda$, $n \geq 1$ and $E_n \uparrow E_\infty$ then $\mu_1(E_\infty) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_1(E_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_2(E_n) = \mu_2(E_\infty)$

If $E_n \in \Lambda$, $n \geq 1$ $E_n \uparrow E_\infty$ then $E_\infty \in \Lambda$

Thus Λ is a λ -system containing P , so $\Lambda \supseteq \sigma(P)$, so $\mu_1 = \mu_2$ \square

Four notes about last class ① Examples of π -systems {Open sets}; {Intervals}; {Boxes}

① In hypothesis of Dynkin's Theorem we should assume that $S\mathcal{L} \in \mathcal{P}$, or equivalently that $\mu_1(S\mathcal{L}) = \mu_2(S\mathcal{L})$

② Def: Given a measurable space (Ω, \mathcal{F}) , a measure μ on \mathcal{F} is σ -finite if there exist sets $(S\mathcal{L}_n, n \geq 1)$ in \mathcal{F} s.t. $S\mathcal{L}_n \uparrow \Omega$ and $\mu(S\mathcal{L}_n) < \infty$ for all n .

σ -finiteness should also appear in the hyp. of Dynkin's Theorem

In that case, if $\mu_1(E) = \mu_2(E)$ and $\mu_1(F) = \mu_2(F)$, and $E \subset F$, then

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_1(F \setminus E) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_1((F \setminus E) \cap S\mathcal{L}_n) \xrightarrow{\text{additivity of } \mu_1} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\mu_1(F \cap S\mathcal{L}_n) - \mu_1(E \cap S\mathcal{L}_n)) \\ &\stackrel{\text{assumption}}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\mu_2(F \cap S\mathcal{L}_n) - \mu_2(E \cap S\mathcal{L}_n)) \\ &\xrightarrow{\text{additivity of } \mu_2} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_2((F \setminus E) \cap S\mathcal{L}_n) = \mu_2(F \setminus E)\end{aligned}$$

③ Recall: $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) := \sigma(\{U \subset \mathbb{R} : U \text{ open}\}) = \sigma(\mathcal{A}(\mathbb{R}))$ is called the Borel sets of \mathbb{R} . Likewise $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^d) := \sigma(\{U \subset \mathbb{R}^d : U \text{ open}\})$.

Key example: Cumulative distribution functions / Stieltjes functions. $F(x) = \lim_{y \downarrow x} F(y)$. (15)

Def: A Stieltjes function is a $F^n : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ which is non-decreasing and right-continuous.

It is a CDF if $F(-\infty) := \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F(x) = 0$ and $F(\infty) := \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(x) = 1$.

Prop: Let F be a dist. function, and let $A = A(\mathbb{R}) := \{(a_i, b_i] \cup \dots \cup (a_k, b_k], k \in \mathbb{N},$

Define $\mu = \mu_F$ by $\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^k (a_i, b_i]\right) = \sum_{i=1}^k F(b_i) - F(a_i), -\infty < a_1 < b_1 < \dots < a_k < b_k < \infty\}$.

Then μ is a pre-measure on ring A .

Proof: We prove this for the special case that $F(x) = x$ (i.e. for Lebesgue measure).

General case: same proof, more notation (in notes!).

Step 1: The definition makes sense.

Suppose $\bigcup_{i=1}^n (a_i, b_i] = \bigcup_{j=1}^m (c_j, d_j]$, where both sides are disjoint unions.

Then for $i \in [n], j \in [m]$, let $S_{ij} = (a_i, b_i] \cap (c_j, d_j]$. If $S_{ij} \neq \emptyset$ write $S_{ij} = (l_{ij}, r_{ij}]$

$$\text{Then } \sum_{i=1}^n (b_i - a_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m (r_{ij} - l_{ij}) = \sum_{j=1}^m (d_j - c_j)$$

So def. makes sense

Step 2 μ is additive.

If $\left[\bigcup_{i=1}^n (a_i, b_i) \right] \cap \left[\bigcup_{i=1}^m (c_i, d_i) \right] = \emptyset$ then

$$\mu \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n (a_i, b_i) \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^m (c_i, d_i) \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n (b_i - a_i) + \sum_{i=1}^m (d_i - c_i) = \mu \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n (a_i, b_i) \right) + \mu \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^m (c_i, d_i) \right)$$

So μ is additive.

Step 3: μ is a pre-measure.

We must show: if $L := \bigcup_{i=1}^n (a_i, b_i) = \bigcup_{i=1}^\infty (c_i, d_i)$, where both are disjoint unions,

$$\text{then } \mu(L) = \sum_{i=1}^n (b_i - a_i) = \sum_{i=1}^\infty (d_i - c_i).$$

$$\mu(L) \geq \sum_{i=1}^\infty d_i - c_i. \text{ For all } m, L \supseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^m (c_i, d_i) \text{ so } \mu(L) \geq \mu \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^m (c_i, d_i) \right) = \sum_{i=1}^m (d_i - c_i)$$

$$\text{Thus } \mu(L) \geq \sum_{i=1}^\infty (d_i - c_i).$$

$$\mu(L) \leq \sum_{i=1}^\infty d_i - c_i. \text{ Suppose for a contradiction that } \mu(L) = \sum_{i=1}^\infty (d_i - c_i) + 2\epsilon, \text{ some } \epsilon > 0.$$

We'll show the two sides weren't equal after all. For $m \geq 0$ write $\Delta_m = L \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^m (c_i, d_i)$.

Then $\Delta_m = \bigcup_{i=1}^m (a_i, b_i] \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^m (c_i, d_i] \in A$ and $\Delta_m > \Delta_{m+1} > \dots$

with $\Delta_m \downarrow 0$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$.



Also, $\mu(\Delta_m)$

$$= \mu(L \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^m (c_i, d_i])$$

$$= \mu(L) - \mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^m (c_i, d_i)\right) = \mu(L) - \sum_{i=1}^m (d_i - c_i) \geq 2\varepsilon.$$

Choose $D_m \in A$ with $\overline{D}_m \subset \Delta_m$ st. $\mu(\Delta_m \setminus D_m) \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2^m}$.

(For $x \in \Delta_m$, if $\exists i$ st. $x \notin D_i$ then $x \in \Delta_i \setminus D_i$)

Note that $\Delta_m = \bigcap_{i=1}^m D_i \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^m (\Delta_m \setminus D_i) \subseteq \bigcap_{i=1}^m D_i \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^m (\Delta_i \setminus D_i)$,

so monotonicity

$$\mu(\Delta_m) \leq \mu\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^m D_i \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^m (\Delta_i \setminus D_i)\right)$$

$$\text{subadditivity} \leq \mu\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^m D_i\right) + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^m \mu(\Delta_i \setminus D_i)}_{\leq \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\varepsilon}{2^i} < \varepsilon} \leq \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\varepsilon}{2^i} < \varepsilon.$$

$$< \mu\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^m D_i\right) + \varepsilon$$

Also, $\mu(\Delta_m) \geq 2\varepsilon$, so $\mu(\bigcap_{i=1}^m D_i) \geq \varepsilon$.

Thus $\bigcap_{i=1}^m \overline{D}_i \neq \emptyset$ for all m , so $\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} \overline{D}_i \neq \emptyset$. But $\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} \overline{D}_i \subseteq \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} \Delta_m = \emptyset$, a contradiction. \square

Theorem: Let F be a Stieltjes function. Then there exists a unique measure μ on $\sigma(A(\mathbb{R}))$ s.t. $\mu(a,b] = F(b) - F(a)$ for all $-\infty < a < b < \infty$.

Proof: Existence

By the proposition, there exists a pre-measure μ on $A(\mathbb{R})$ with this property.

By CXT, μ extends to a measure on $L(A(\mathbb{R})) \supset \sigma(A(\mathbb{R}))$,

Uniqueness

Suppose μ_1, μ_2 are as in the Theorem statement.

Let $P = \{(a,b] : -\infty < a \leq b < \infty\}$.

Then P is a π -system with $\sigma(P) = \sigma(A(\mathbb{R}))$, so by Dynkin's theorem $\mu_1 \equiv \mu_2$. \square

Exercise If μ is a σ -finite measure on $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$ then there exists a Stieltjes f.n F s.t. $\mu_F = \mu$.