

3. Measures

3.1: Generalities on Measures:

Def: Let (X, \mathcal{A}) be a measurable space. A measure on X is a function $\mu: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ such that:

① $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$

② For any disjoint sequence $(A_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \in \mathcal{A}$

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} A_j\right) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_j)$$

The set (X, \mathcal{A}, μ) will be called a measure space (σ -additive)

exps:

① Let X be any non-empty set and let $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{P}(X)$. For $A \in \mathcal{A}$ we define $\mu(A)$ the number of elements in A is finite and equal to $+\infty$ if not. μ is a measure on \mathcal{A} . This measure is called the counting measure.

② $\delta_x(A) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in A \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$. The measure δ_x is called the point mass at x or the Dirac measure on x .

③ Let μ defined on $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$ by $\mu(A) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } A \text{ is finite} \\ \infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
 μ is finite additive but not countably additive since $\mathbb{N} = \bigcup_{j=0}^{\infty} \{j\}$, but $\mu(\mathbb{N}) = \infty \neq \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \mu(\{j\}) = 0$. Then μ is not a measure.

Theorem Let μ be a measure on (X, \mathcal{A}) . We have:

① μ is finitely additive: For any finite subsets $A_1, \dots, A_n \in \mathcal{A}$ of disjoint elements of \mathcal{A} , $\mu\left(\bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j\right) = \sum_{j=1}^n \mu(A_j)$.

② μ is monotone, If $A, B \in \mathcal{A}$ with $A \subset B$ then $\mu(A) \leq \mu(B)$.

③ μ is countably subadditive: If $(A_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \in \mathcal{A}$ and $A = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} A_j$ then $\mu(A) \leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_j)$.

④ If $(A_j)_j$ is an increasing sequence in \mathcal{A} and $A = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} A_j$ then $\mu(A) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_n)$. (Continuity)

⑤ If $A, B \in \mathcal{A}$ and $A \subset B$ and $\mu(B) < \infty$ then
 $\mu(B|A) = \mu(B) - \mu(A)$. ($\mu(A) < \infty$ suffices)

⑥ If $(A_j)_j$ is a decreasing sequence in \mathcal{A} with $\mu(A_1) < \infty$
 then $\mu(A) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_n)$ with $A = \bigcap_{j=1}^{\infty} A_j$. (continuity).

⚠ $X =]0, 1]$, $A_n =]0, \frac{1}{n}]$, μ counting measure. $\mu(X) = \infty$
 we have: $\mu(A_n) = \infty$; $(A_n) \downarrow$; $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = A = \{\emptyset\}$
 $\mu(A) = 0$.

exercise: Show that μ is a measure on the measurable space (X, \mathcal{B})
 iff
 (i) $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$
 (ii) $\mu(A \cup B) = \mu(A) + \mu(B)$ if $A \cap B = \emptyset$
 (iii) If $(A_n)_n$ is an increasing sequence of the σ -algebra \mathcal{B} then
 $\mu\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) = \sup_n \mu(A_n)$.

Def: We say that the measure μ is finite if $\mu(X) < \infty$.

- We say that the measure μ is σ -finite if there exists an increasing sequence $(A_j)_j$ of measurable subsets of finite measure and $\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} A_j = X$

- A probability measure is a measure on (X, \mathcal{A}) is a measure such that $\mu(X) = 1$. In this case the σ -algebra \mathcal{A} is called the space of events.
 $\mu(A^c) = \mu(X) - \mu(A) = 1 - \mu(A)$

3.2 Properties of measures:

Let (X, \mathcal{B}) be a measurable space. We denote by $\mathcal{M}(X, \mathcal{B})$ or $\mathcal{M}(X)$ the set of measures on (X, \mathcal{B}) . We have:

① The set $\mathcal{M}(X)$ is a convex cone. If $\mu_1, \mu_2 \in \mathcal{M}(X)$, and $\lambda > 0$ then $\mu_1 + \mu_2, \lambda \mu_1 \in \mathcal{M}(X)$.

We order the set $\mathcal{M}(X)$ by the relationship:

$$\mu_1 \leq \mu_2 \Leftrightarrow \mu_1(A) \leq \mu_2(A) \forall A \in \mathcal{B}.$$

② If $(\mu_n)_n$ is an \uparrow increasing sequences of measures,

then the mapping $\mu: \mathcal{B} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ defined by

$$\mu(A) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_n(A) = \sup_n \mu_n(A) \text{ for}$$

any $A \in \mathcal{B}$ is a measure on X .

Proof: $\mu(\emptyset) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_n(\emptyset) = 0 \quad \checkmark$

\cdot If $A, B \in \mathcal{B}$ and disjoint $A \cap B = \emptyset$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(A \cup B) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_n(A \cup B) = \lim_n \mu_n(A) + \lim_n \mu_n(B) \\ &= \mu(A) + \mu(B). \end{aligned}$$

\cdot Let $(A_n)_n$ be \uparrow sequence of \mathcal{B} and $A = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$.

We have

$$\mu_j(A_n) \leq \mu(A_n) \leq \mu(A) \quad \forall j, n$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu_j(A) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_j(A_n) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_n) \leq \mu(A)$$

$$\text{and } \mu(A) = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \mu_j(A) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_n) \leq \mu(A)$$

$$\text{Then } \mu(A) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_n).$$

Continuity of measure

4. Complete measure spaces:

Def: Let (X, \mathcal{B}, μ) be a measure space. A subset of X is called a null set or a negligible set if A is contained in a measurable subset of measure zero. We denote by \mathcal{N} the set of null sets.

Example: Let (X, \mathcal{B}) be a measurable space such that

$$\forall x \in X, \{x\} \in \mathcal{B}. \text{ If we take } \mu = \delta_a \text{ with } a \in X.$$

Then every subset $A \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $a \notin A$, is a null set.

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1) $\emptyset \in \mathcal{N}$

2) Any subset of a null set is a null set. If $A \subset B$ and $B \in \mathcal{N}$ then there is an $C \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $\mu(C) = 0$ and $B \subset C$.

3) A countable union of null sets is a null set: If $(A_n)_n$ is any sequence in \mathcal{N} , for each n , choose an $B_n \in \mathcal{B} / A_n \subset B_n$ and $\mu(B_n) = 0$. Now we put $B = \bigcup_n B_n \in \mathcal{B}$ and $\bigcup_n A_n \subset \bigcup_n B_n$

$$\text{and } \mu\left(\bigcup_n B_n\right) \leq \sum_n \mu(B_n) = 0. \text{ So } \mu(B) = 0.$$

Def: If $P(x)$ is some assertion applicable to numbers x of the set X , we say that: $P(x)$ for almost every $x \in X$ or $P(x)$ a.e. x or $P(x)$ for μ -almost every x , $P(x)$ μ -a.e. x .
to mean that $A = \{x \in X, P(x) \text{ is false}\} \subset X$ is a null set.

Def: A measure space (X, \mathcal{B}, μ) is said to be complete if any nullset is measurable ($N \subset \mathcal{B}$), we say that the measure μ is complete.

Thm Let (X, \mathcal{B}, μ) be a measure space and let N be the set of the null sets of X . Let $\mathcal{B}' = \{A \cup B / A \in \mathcal{B}, B \in N\}$. \mathcal{B}' is a σ -algebra on X and there exists a unique measure μ' which extends the measure μ on the σ -algebra \mathcal{B}' . The measure space (X, \mathcal{B}', μ') is complete.

$$\mu' = \mu \text{ on } \mathcal{B}$$

5. Outer Measure

Def Let X be a non empty set. An outer measure μ^* on X is a mapping $\mu^*: \mathcal{P}(X) \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ which fulfills the following axioms:

- i) $\mu^*(\emptyset) = 0$
- ii) If $(A_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a sequence of subsets of X , then $\mu^*(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu^*(A_n)$
- iii) μ^* is increasing (ie $\mu^*(A) \leq \mu^*(B)$ if $A \subset B$)

exple Any measure on $\mathcal{P}(X)$ is an outer measure.

Def: Let X be a set and μ^* be an outer measure on X . A subset A of X is called μ^* -measurable if

$$\forall B \subset X: \mu^*(B) = \mu^*(B \cap A) + \mu^*(B \cap A^c).$$

Thm (Carathéodory's construction)

Let X be a non empty set and μ^* be an outer measure on X . Then the set \mathcal{B}' of the μ^* -measurable subsets is a σ -algebra on X and the restriction of μ^* on \mathcal{B}' denoted μ^*/\mathcal{B}' is a complete measure.

Proof: * \mathcal{B}' is a σ -algebra on X :

- \emptyset is μ^* -measurable.
- If A is μ^* -measurable then A^c is μ^* -measurable.
- If A, B are μ^* -measurable then $A \cup B$ is μ^* -measurable.
- If $(A_j)_j$ is a sequence of μ^* -measurable subsets then $\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} A_j$ is μ^* -measurable.
- * μ^* is a measure on \mathcal{B}' .
- * μ^* is complete. (If A is null set, then exists $B \in \mathcal{B}'$ such that $A \subset B$ and $\mu^*(B) = 0$).

Thm: Let (X, \mathcal{B}, μ) be a measure space and μ - σ -finite measure. Let μ^* the outer measure defined on $\mathcal{P}(X)$ by $\mu^*(A) = \inf \left\{ \sum_j \mu(A_j) ; A \subset \bigcup_j A_j \text{ and } A_j \in \mathcal{B} \right\}$. We denote by $\hat{\mathcal{B}}$ the complete σ -algebra and \mathcal{B}_0 the σ -algebra of the μ^* -measurable sets then $\hat{\mathcal{B}} = \mathcal{B}_0$.

- ! μ^* is an outer measure.
- Any $A \in \mathcal{B}$ is μ^* -measurable, ($A \in \mathcal{B}_0$). So $\mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{B}_0$.
 - $\mu^*/\mathcal{B} = \mu$.

Proof:

- $\hat{\mathcal{B}} \subset \mathcal{B}_0$: If A is a null set then A is μ^* -measurable.
- $\mathcal{B}_0 \subset \hat{\mathcal{B}}$: If $A \in \mathcal{B}_0$
 - $\rightarrow \mu^*(A) < \infty \rightarrow A \in \hat{\mathcal{B}}$
 - $\rightarrow \mu^*(A) = \infty \rightarrow A \in \hat{\mathcal{B}}$

5.1 Monotone class and σ -Algebra

Def: A collection of sets \mathcal{M} is called a monotone class if for any monotone sequence $(A_n)_n$ of \mathcal{M} ,
 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n \in \mathcal{M}$.

examples: ① Any σ -algebra is a monotone class.

② Any arbitrary intersection of monotone classes is a monotone class.

③ If $A \subset X$, the intersection of all monotone classes that contain A is called the monotone class generated by A and denoted by $\mathcal{M}(A)$.

Thm Let \mathcal{A} be an algebra of X . We denote by $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A})$ the monotone class generated by \mathcal{A} and by $\sigma(\mathcal{A})$ the σ -algebra generated by \mathcal{A} . Then $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A}) = \sigma(\mathcal{A})$

Proof: $\sigma(\mathcal{A})$ is a monotone class.

$\mathcal{A} \subset \sigma(\mathcal{A})$ then $\sigma(\mathcal{A}) \supset \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A})$

Now $\sigma(\mathcal{A}) \in \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A})$.

We define $\tilde{\mathcal{S}} = \left\{ T \in \mathcal{P}(X) \mid \begin{matrix} \text{SUT} \\ \text{SIT} \\ \text{TIS} \end{matrix} \in \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A}) \right\}$ For $S \subset X$

$\tilde{\mathcal{S}}$ is monotonic class. $\mathcal{A} \subset \tilde{\mathcal{S}}$

then $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A}) \subset \tilde{\mathcal{S}} \quad \forall S \in \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A})$.

We prove also $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A})$ is an algebra

by lemma

Let \mathcal{M} be an algebra closed under increasing limit then \mathcal{M} is σ -algebra.

* We end this paragraph with a property of measure:

Thm let μ_1 and μ_2 be 2 positive measures on a measurable space (X, \mathcal{B}) . Assume that there exists a class \mathcal{C} of measurable subsets such that:

- \mathcal{C} is closed under finite intersection and that the σ -algebra generated by \mathcal{C} is equal to \mathcal{B} .
- There exists an increasing sequence $(E_n)_n$ in \mathcal{C} such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_n = X$
- $\mu_1(C) = \mu_2(C) < \infty$ for any $C \in \mathcal{C}$.

Then $\mu_1 = \mu_2$.

Proof: Consider $\mathcal{A} = \{A \in \mathcal{B} \mid \mu_1(A) = \mu_2(A)\}$

- $\mathcal{C} \subset \mathcal{A}$
- \mathcal{A} is a monotone class
- \mathcal{A} is a σ -algebra
- $\sigma(\mathcal{C}) = \mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{A} \Rightarrow \mathcal{A} = \mathcal{B}$ and $\mu_1 = \mu_2$.

6. Lebesgue Measure on \mathbb{R}

Thm There exists only and only one measure λ on $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$ satisfying:

- λ is invariant under translation
 $(\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \forall A \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}; \lambda(x+A) = \lambda(A))$
- $\lambda([0,1]) = 1$.

Proof: Uniqueness Assume there exists 2 measures μ and ν on $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$ satisfying (i) and (ii)

$$\mu\left(0, \frac{1}{n}\right) \leq \frac{1}{n} \Rightarrow \mu(\{0\}) = 0$$

Then any finite set or countable set is a null set and all intervals $[a,b], (a,b], [b,a)$ have the same measure.

use Thm 4.4: