

1/2 the course: Lebesgue measure
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Shortcomings of the Riemann Integral:

- The underlying space is like \mathbb{R}^n :
- We can only consider bounded
- If $f_n \rightarrow f$ pointwise and f_n is Riemann integrable, it is not true that f is Riemann integrable.

Enter the Lebesgue integral:

$$\int_{\Omega} f dx \quad \text{where } \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n, \quad dx = dx_1, \dots, dx_n$$

- What Ω do we allow?
 - Lebesgue measurable sets
- What f do we allow?
 - Lebesgue integrable functions

The Lebesgue Measure: $m(\Omega) = \int_{\Omega} 1 dx$

- If $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}$, then $m(\Omega)$ should be the length of Ω
- If $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, then $m(\Omega)$ should be the volume of Ω
- We know the length of $[a, b]$: $|b-a|$ But can we "consistently" define "length" for any subset of \mathbb{R}^n ?
- The desirable properties:

1) monotonicity: $A \subset B \subset \mathbb{R}^n \implies m(A) \leq m(B)$

2) additivity: If $A \cap B = \emptyset$ then $m(A \cup B) = m(A) + m(B)$

Q: If $A \subsetneq B \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, when will we have $m(A) = m(B)$?

examples: - $(a, b) \subset [a, b]$

• $\{1\} \subset \{1, 2\}$

3) translation invariance: $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n, E \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, we want $m(E) = m(x+E)$

But there is a problem: m does not exist! (Read: Tao 7.3 or Wiki: The Banach-Tarski paradox)

We get around this problem by restricting the class of subsets in \mathbb{R}^n to which we assign measure.

Axioms of Measurable Subsets (Tao II, pg. 180)

Notation: If S is a set, 2^S denotes the set of subsets of S .

Let M_n denote the set of measurable subsets of \mathbb{R}^n .

(1) If $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is open, then $U \in M_n$

(2) If $U \in M_n$, $U^c \in M_n$

(3) If $U, V \in M_n$, then $U \cup V \in M_n$ and $U \cap V \in M_n$

2 and 3 imply M_n is a **Boolean algebra**. However we want something stronger: A **σ -algebra** If U_1, U_2, \dots is a sequence of measurable sets, then $\bigcup_n U_n$ and $\bigcap_n U_n$ are both measurable.

Axioms of the Lebesgue Measure: (Read Tao!!!)

Thm: There exists a definition of M_n and Lebesgue measure satisfying the axioms.

Defⁿ: **Outer Measure**

$\forall E \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, define \leftarrow countably infinite!

$$m^*(E) = \inf \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |B_i|, E \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} B_i, B_i \subset \mathbb{R}^n \text{ are open boxes} \right\}$$

m^* is well-defined for all subsets.

In discussion: Try to prove nice properties of m^* ... (Lemmas 7.2.5 and 7.2.6)

Positivity: inf of \sum |positives| is never negative.