

- Homework 7 is up.

Last lecture we defined outer measure  $m^*$

Today's goal: Work out properties of  $m^*$  (7.2.5)

- Empty set: No cover is needed
- Nonnegativity: inf over nonnegatives
- Monotonicity: For any open cover of  $B$ , if  $A \subset B$ , the cover covers  $A$  as well. So
 
$$\inf \{ \sum \text{cov of } A \} \leq \inf \{ \sum \text{cov of } B \}$$
 since volume covering  $A \leq$  volume covering  $B$
- Finite sub-additivity:  $m^*(A \cup B) \leq m^*(A) + m^*(B)$   
 Try proving  $m^*(A) + m^*(B) \geq (\text{area of some covering of } A, \text{ and covering of } B) - \varepsilon$

then total area  $\geq m^*(A \cup B)$  thus

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \quad m^*(A) + m^*(B) \geq m^*(A \cup B) - \varepsilon \Rightarrow m^*(A) + m^*(B) \geq m^*(A \cup B)$$

$$\therefore m^*(A) = \inf \{ \sum \text{vol}(B_i) \mid \{B_i\} \text{ cov } A \}$$

$$\therefore \forall \varepsilon > 0 \quad \exists \text{ covering } \{B_i\} \text{ s.t. } \sum |B_i| \leq m^*(A) + \varepsilon$$

Similarly do it for  $B$ . Then take the union of the two covers to get a cover of  $A \cup B$

- Countable sub-additivity.

$$\text{W.T.S.: } m^*\left(\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} A_j\right) \leq \sum m^*(A_j)$$

$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \quad \exists$  covers  $\{B_i^{(j)}\}$  for  $A_j$  s.t.

$$m^*\left(\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} A_j\right) \leq \sum_j m^*(A_j) + \varepsilon$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left( m^*(A_j) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2^j} \right)$$

We can find open cover  $\{B_i^{(j)}\}$  for  $A_j$  s.t. ... ?

Prop<sup>n</sup>:

Outer measure of closed box  $B$ :

$$m^*(B) = \prod_{i=1}^n (b_i - a_i)$$

(Compare to the Riemann integral)

proof.

For we can choose a open box slightly larger than  $B$  to cover  $B$ , thus

$$M^*(B) \leq \text{vol}(B) + \varepsilon$$

( $n=1$  case)

Because  $B = [a, b]$  is compact any open cover of  $B$  can be reduced to a finite subcover. Let  $\{B_i\}_{i=1}^N$  be a finite open cover of  $B$ . w.t.s.

$$\sum_{i=1}^N |B_i| \geq \text{vol}(B)$$

$$\text{Let } f_i(x) = \mathbb{1}_{B_i}(x), \text{ then } \sum_{i=1}^N |B_i| = \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_i dx \right) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \sum_{i=1}^N f_i dx$$

Claim:  $f(x) \geq \mathbb{1}_B(x)$ .

$$\text{Indeed } B \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^N B_i \text{ thus } \mathbb{1}_B \leq \sum \mathbb{1}_{B_i}$$

( $n=2$  case)

w.t.s given any finite cover  $\{B_i\}_{i=1}^N$  of  $B$  that  $\sum_{i=1}^N |B_i| \geq |B|$ . Again  $|B_i| = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \mathbb{1}_{B_i}(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2 = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \underset{\uparrow}{w_i} \cdot \mathbb{1}_{B_{i,1}}(x_1) dx_1$ ,

$$w_i \boxed{|B_i|}$$

Integrating along  $x_2$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^N \int \mathbb{1}_{B_i}(x) dx_1 dx_2 &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{1}_{B_i}(x) dx_1 dx_2 \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left( \int \sum_i \mathbb{1}_{B_i}(x_1, x_2) dx_2 \right) dx_1 \end{aligned}$$

Claim:  $f(x_1) \geq \mathbb{1}_{[a_1, b_1]}(x_1) \cdot \underbrace{|b_2 - a_2|}_{\text{height of } B}$

$$\Leftrightarrow x_1 \in [a_1, b_1], f(x_1) \geq |b_2 - a_2|. \text{ If } x_2 \notin [a_2, b_2]$$

$f(x_1) \geq 0$  is true

And

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left( \sum_i I_{B_i}(x_1, x_2) dx_2 \right) dx_1 \\ & \geq \int_{\mathbb{R}} I_{[a_1, b_1]}(b_2 - a_2) dx_1 \\ & = (b_2 - a_2)(b_1 - a_1) \\ & = \text{Vol}(B) \end{aligned}$$