

Lebesgue measure

Riemann integrals give us a way of integrating certain functions $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, where $[a, b]$ is an interval in \mathbb{R}^n

Lebesgue integrals allow us to integrate a wider class of functions $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, where $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ may not be an interval.

In order to compute Lebesgue integrals we need a concept of the **measure** of Ω , $m(\Omega)$ which will act as an analogue for length, area and volume of intervals in \mathbb{R}^n , s.t. $m(\Omega) = \int_{\Omega} 1$

Such a measure should satisfy certain properties such as the measure of a box corresponding to its area/volume, the measure of a set remaining constant under translation, $m(A) + m(B) = m(A \cup B)$ if A and B are disjoint, and $m(A) \leq m(B)$ if $A \subseteq B$.

Not all sets can be measured in this way, eg. the **Banach Tarski paradox** demonstrates that the set of points on the surface of a sphere can be decomposed and reassembled into 2 spheres by rotations, failing translational invariance.

A **measurable set** can be measured by a Lebesgue measure $m(\Omega)$ satisfying these properties.

Properties of the Lebesgue measure:

Borel property: every open and every closed set in \mathbb{R}^n is measurable

Complementarity: if Ω is measurable the $\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \Omega$ is also measurable

Boolean algebra: if $(\Omega_i)_{i \in I}$ is a finite collection of measurable then the union $\bigcup_{i \in I} \Omega_i$ and intersection $\bigcap_{i \in I} \Omega_i$ are also measurable

σ -algebra: If $(\Omega_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a countable collection of measurable sets then the union $\bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \Omega_j$ and the intersect $\bigcap_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \Omega_j$ are also countable

Empty set: $m(\emptyset) = 0$

Positivity: $0 \leq m(\Omega) \leq +\infty$ for every measurable set Ω

Monotonicity: If A and B are measurable and $A \subseteq B$ then $m(A) \leq m(B)$

Finite subadditivity: If $(A_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a finite collection of measurable sets then $m(\bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} A_j) \leq \sum_{j \in \mathbb{N}} m(A_j)$

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Normalisation: The unit cube $[0, 1]^n = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid 0 \leq x_i \leq 1 \forall i \leq n\}$ has measure $m([0, 1]^n) = 1$

Translational invariance: If Ω is a measurable set and $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ then $x + \Omega = \{x + y \mid y \in \Omega\}$ is measurable and $m(x + \Omega) = m(\Omega)$

There exists a measure which satisfies the above properties and can assign a number $m(\Omega)$ to every measurable set Ω

Outer Measure

An **open box** $B \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is a set of the form:

$$B = \prod_{i=1}^n (a_i, b_i) = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mid x_i \in (a_i, b_i) \forall i \leq n\}$$

This is an open interval in \mathbb{R} , an open ~~ss~~ rectangle in \mathbb{R}^2 etc.

A collection of boxes $(B_i)_{i \in \mathbb{J}}$ **cover** $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ if $\Omega \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{J}} B_i$

The **outer measure** of a set Ω is the quantity

$$m^*(\Omega) = \inf \left\{ \sum_{i \in \mathbb{J}} \text{vol}(B_i) \mid (B_i)_{i \in \mathbb{J}} \text{ is a countable collection of open boxes which cover } \Omega \right\}$$

Properties of the outer measure:

$$\rightarrow m^*(\emptyset) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow 0 \leq m^*(\Omega) \leq +\infty \quad \forall \Omega$$

\rightarrow monotonicity

\rightarrow finite subadditivity

\rightarrow countable subadditivity

For any closed box $B = \prod_{i=1}^n [a_i, b_i] = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mid x_i \in [a_i, b_i] \forall i \leq n\}$

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$$m^*(\mathbb{R}) = +\infty \quad m^*(\mathbb{Q}) = 0 \quad m^*(\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}) = +\infty$$

$$m^*(\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \in (0, 1)\}) = 1 \quad m^*(\{(x, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x \in (0, 1)\}) = 0$$

There exists a countable collection of disjoint sets $(A_i)_{i \in \mathbb{J}} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$

$$\text{s.t. } m^*(\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{J}} A_i) \neq \sum_{i \in \mathbb{J}} m^*(A_i)$$

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$$\text{s.t. } m^*(\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{J}} A_i) \neq \sum_{i \in \mathbb{J}} m^*(A_i)$$

Therefore the outer measure fails both finite and countable additivity

Measurable sets

A set $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is **Lebesgue measurable** if $\forall A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$,
 $m^*(A) = m^*(A \cap E) + m^*(A \setminus E)$

~~A~~ The **half space** is the set $\{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x_n > 0\}$

Half spaces are measurable

Properties of ~~half spaces~~ measurable sets:

- E is measurable $\Rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \setminus E$ is measurable
- Translation invariance
- ~~If~~ E_1 and E_2 are measurable $\Rightarrow E_1 \cap E_2$ and $E_1 \cup E_2$ are measurable
- Boolean algebra property
- Every open and every closed box is measurable (Borel)
- Any set of outer measure 0 is measurable
- Finite additivity
- If $A \subseteq B$ are measurable the $B \setminus A$ is measurable and $m(B \setminus A) = m(B) - m(A)$
- Countable additivity

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Every open set can be written as a countable or finite union of open boxes

Let $\{E_k\}$ and $\{F_k\}$ be sequences of measurable sets

$E_k \uparrow E$ indicates $E_1 \subseteq E_2 \subseteq \dots$ and $E = \bigcup E_k$

$F_k \downarrow F$ indicates $F_1 \supseteq F_2 \supseteq \dots$ and $F = \bigcap F_k$

Upward measure continuity: $E_k \uparrow E \Rightarrow m(E_k) \uparrow m(E)$

Downward measure continuity: $F_k \downarrow F, m(F_k) < \infty, \Rightarrow m(F_k) \downarrow m(F)$

Measurable functions

Let Ω be a measurable set in \mathbb{R}^n and let $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ be a function. f is **measurable** iff $f^{-1}(V)$ is measurable for every open set $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$

If $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is measurable and $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is continuous then f is measurable

Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be measurable and let $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$. f is measurable iff $f^{-1}(B)$ is measurable \forall open box B

Let $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ s.t. $f = (f_1, \dots, f_i, \dots, f_n)$, $f_i: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. f is measurable iff f_i is measurable $\forall i$

Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be measurable and let $W \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ be an open set. If $f: \Omega \rightarrow W$ is measurable and $g: W \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$ is continuous then $g \circ f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$ is measurable

If $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are measurable functions, then so are $f+g$, $f-g$, fg , $\max(f, g)$, $\min(f, g)$.
If $g(x) \neq 0 \forall x \in \Omega$, then so is $\frac{f}{g}$

Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be measurable and $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$. f is measurable iff $f^{-1}(a, \infty)$ is measurable $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}$

Let Ω be a measurable subset of \mathbb{R}^n , $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^*$. f is **measurable** iff $f^{-1}(a, +\infty]$ is measurable $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}$

Let Ω be measurable, let $f_n: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ be measurable $\forall n$. The functions $\sup f_n$, $\inf f_n$, $\limsup f_n$ and $\liminf f_n$ are also measurable

If $f_n \rightarrow f$ ~~pointwise~~ pointwise, then f is measurable

Abstract Measure Spaces

Let S be a set, 2^S be the power set of S

A σ -algebra is a subset $\mathcal{M}_S \subset 2^S$ satisfying:

- 1) $\emptyset \in \mathcal{M}_S$
- 2) \mathcal{M}_S is closed under countable unions ($A_i \in \mathcal{M}_S \Rightarrow \bigcup A_i \in \mathcal{M}_S$)
- 3) \mathcal{M}_S is closed under complementation ($A \in \mathcal{M}_S \Rightarrow A^c \in \mathcal{M}_S$)

A space with a σ -algebra (S, \mathcal{M}_S) is a **measurable space**

A **measure** on (S, \mathcal{M}_S) is a function $\omega: \mathcal{M}_S \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ s.t.:

- 1) $\omega(\emptyset) = 0$
- 2) countable additivity holds for disjoint sets in \mathcal{M}_S
$$\omega(\bigcup A_i) = \sum \omega(A_i)$$

A space with a σ -algebra and a measure $(S, \mathcal{M}_S, \omega)$ is a **measure space**

A **topological space** (S, \mathcal{T}_S) is a set S and a collection of subsets $\mathcal{T}_S \subset 2^S$, satisfying:

- 1) $\emptyset, S \in \mathcal{T}_S$
- 2) \mathcal{T}_S is closed under finite intersection
- 3) \mathcal{T}_S is closed under arbitrary unions

The elements of \mathcal{T}_S are called **open sets**. A set $X \subset S$ is **closed** iff $X^c \in \mathcal{T}_S$. \mathcal{T}_S is a **topology** on S .

If (S, \mathcal{T}_S) is a topological space, there exists a minimal σ -algebra containing \mathcal{T}_S called a **Borel σ -algebra** denoted \mathcal{B}_S . A **Borel set** is a subset of S in \mathcal{B}_S .

If (S, \mathcal{T}_S) is a topological space, then a countable intersection of open sets is a **G_δ -set** and a countable union of closed sets is an **F_σ -set**.
 G_δ -sets and F_σ -sets are Borel sets.

Let S be a set. Let ω be an outer measure on S

An **outer measure** is a function $\omega: 2^S \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ satisfying:

1) $\omega(\emptyset) = 0$

2) ~~$\forall E$~~ Monotonicity ($A \subset B \Rightarrow \omega(A) \leq \omega(B)$)

3) Countable subadditivity ($\omega(\cup A_i) \leq \sum \omega(A_i)$)

We can define $\mathcal{M}_\omega \subset 2^S$ s.t. E a set $E \subset S$ is in \mathcal{M}_ω if

$$\forall X \subset S, \omega(X) = \omega(X \cap E) + \omega(X \cap E^c)$$

\mathcal{M}_ω is a σ -algebra and $(S, \mathcal{M}_\omega, \omega)$ is a measure space.

A **null set** is a subset $E \subset S$ with $\omega(E) = 0$

If $E \subset S$ is a null set:

1) $\forall A \subset S, \omega(A \cup E) = \omega(A)$

2) $E' \subset E \Rightarrow \omega(E') = 0$

3) $\forall A \subset S, \omega(A \cap E^c) = \omega(A)$

4) $\omega(E) = 0 \Rightarrow E$ is measurable

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The outer measure ω is unchanged by adding or removing a null set E

Every Lebesgue measurable set in S is equivalent to a Borel set plus or minus a null set

$\forall E \subset S, E$ is Lebesgue measurable iff \exists an F_σ -set F and a G_δ -set G s.t. $F \subset E \subset G$ and $\omega(G \setminus F) = 0$

Open sets and closed sets in \mathbb{R}^n are Lebesgue measurable

The Lebesgue measure of a closed or partially closed box is the volume of its interior

The boundary of a box is a null set.

Lebesgue measure is **regular**: \forall measurable set E ,
 \exists F_σ -set F and G_δ -set G s.t. $F \subset E \subset G$ and $G \setminus F$ is a null set.

A bounded subset $E \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is measurable iff \exists F_σ -set F and G_δ -set G s.t. $F \subset E \subset G$ and $m(F) = m(G)$

Every open set is a countable disjoint union of balls, plus a null set

Every open set in \mathbb{R}^n is a countable disjoint union of open boxes plus a null set

Let E be a measurable set. \exists G_δ -set M_E and F_σ -set K_E s.t. $K_E \subset E \subset M_E$ and $m(M_E \setminus K_E) = 0$

M_E is the **hull** of E . K_E is the **kernel** of E .

These are unique up to null sets.

The outer measure $m^+(E)$ is attained by the hull M_E

The inner measure $m_+(E)$ is attained by the kernel K_E

If $E \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, $F \subset \mathbb{R}^k$ are measurable sets then
 $m(E \times F) = m(E)m(F)$

By convention, if $m(E) = \infty$ and $m(F) = 0$, $m(E \times F) = 0$

The hull of a product is the product of the hulls
The kernel of a product is the ~~kernel~~^{product} of the kernels

A *slice* of a set $E \subset \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^k$ at $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is the set,
 $E_x = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^k \mid (x, y) \in E\} \subset \mathbb{R}^k$

Zero slice theorem:

If $E \subset \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^k$ is measurable then E is a zero set
iff almost every slice of E is a zero set.

Let $W \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be a set. $X_\alpha(W) = \{x \mid m(W_x) > \alpha\}$
we can think of the slices W_x , $x \in X_\alpha$ as 'heavy'.

If $W \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is open then $m(W) > \alpha$, $m(X_\alpha(W)) > \alpha$