

Math 564: Advance Analysis 1

Lecture 5

Since the cylinders generate the Borel σ -algebra of $\mathbb{Z}^{\mathbb{N}}$ and the boxes generate the Borel σ -alg. of \mathbb{R}^d , we get the so called Bernoulli(p) measure μ_p , $p \in (0,1)$, and the Lebesgue measure on \mathbb{R}^d , defined on all Borel sets.

Def. For a topol. space X , the Borel σ -algebra $\mathcal{B}(X)$ is that generated by open sets. The sets in $\mathcal{B}(X)$ are called Borel sets. A Borel measure on X is any measure defined on $\mathcal{B}(X)$.

In particular, the Bernoulli(p) & Lebesgue are Borel measures.

An example of non-unique extension of premeasure. Let \mathcal{A} be the algebra generated by the half-intervals $[a,b) \in \mathbb{R}$, i.e. \mathcal{A} consists of finite unions of half-intervals of the form $[a,b)$, where we treat $(-\infty, a)$ as a half interval. Define a premeasure μ on \mathcal{A} by setting

$$\mu(A) := \begin{cases} \infty & \text{if } A \neq \emptyset \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

Then $\langle \mathcal{A} \rangle_{\sigma} = \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ and μ^* (any nonempty set) = ∞ . Here are two other extensions to $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$: for each $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$, put

$$\mu_1(B) := \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } B \text{ is finite} \\ \infty & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$\mu_2(B) := \text{the counting measure} = \begin{cases} \infty & \text{if } B \text{ is infinite} \\ |B| & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

Measurable sets. Let (X, \mathcal{B}) be a measurable space, i.e. \mathcal{B} a σ -alg on X .

Let μ be a measure on \mathcal{B} . We call (X, \mathcal{B}, μ) a measure space.

A set $Z \subseteq X$ is called μ -null if $\exists \hat{Z} \in \mathcal{B}$ s.t. $Z \subseteq \hat{Z}$ and $\mu(\hat{Z}) = 0$.

Let Null_μ denote the collection of μ -null sets.

Obs. Null_μ is a σ -ideal, i.e. it contains \emptyset and is closed under subsets and ctbl unions.

Lemma. $\forall B \in \mathcal{B}$ and $Z \in \text{Null}_\mu$,

(a) $B \cup Z = \tilde{B} \setminus \tilde{Z}$ for some $\tilde{B} \in \mathcal{B}$ and \tilde{Z} μ -null.

(b) $B \setminus Z = \tilde{B} \cup \tilde{Z}$ for some $\tilde{B} \in \mathcal{B}$ and \tilde{Z} μ -null.

Proof. (a) Let $\hat{Z} \in \mathcal{B}$ with $Z \subseteq \hat{Z}$ and $\mu(\hat{Z}) = 0$. Then set $\tilde{B} := B \cup \hat{Z} \in \mathcal{B}$ and $\tilde{Z} := \hat{Z} \setminus Z$.

(b) ... □

Let $\text{Meas}_\mu := \{B \cup Z : B \in \mathcal{B}, Z \in \text{Null}_\mu\}$, call the sets in this μ -measurable.

Prop. Meas_μ is the σ -algebra generated by $\mathcal{B} \cup \text{Null}_\mu$.

Proof. It's enough to show that Meas_μ is a σ -algebra.

o Complements: let $B \cup Z \in \text{Meas}_\mu$, then $(B \cup Z)^c = B^c \cap Z^c = B^c \setminus Z \in \text{Meas}_\mu$ by the lemma above.

o Ctbl unions: let $B_n \cup Z_n \in \text{Meas}_\mu$, then $\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} (B_n \cup Z_n) = (\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} B_n) \cup (\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} Z_n) = B \cup Z \in \text{Meas}_\mu$. □

Prop. The measure μ admits a unique extension to Meas_μ , called the completion of μ , denoted $\bar{\mu}$.

Proof. Define $\bar{\mu}$ on Meas_μ by setting $\bar{\mu}(B \cup Z) := \mu(B)$ for $B \in \mathcal{B}, Z \in \text{Null}_\mu$.

We show that $\bar{\mu}$ is well-defined: let $M = B_0 \cup Z_0 = B_1 \cup Z_1$, where $B_0, B_1 \in \mathcal{B}$ and $Z_0, Z_1 \in \text{Null}_\mu$. Need to show $\mu(B_0) = \mu(B_1)$.

Let $B := B_0 \cap B_1$ and let $\hat{Z} \supseteq Z_0 \cup Z_1$ be a μ -null Borel set. Then

$$\mu(B) \leq \mu(B_i) \leq \mu(B \cup \hat{Z}) = \mu(B)$$

because $B_i \subseteq B \cup \hat{Z} = B \cup Z_0 \cup Z_1$ because $B_0 \setminus B_1 \subseteq Z_1$ and $B_1 \setminus B_0 \subseteq Z_0$. Thus, $\mu(B_i) = \mu(B) = \mu(B_{i,c})$.

For uniqueness, let ν be any extension to Meas_μ . Then

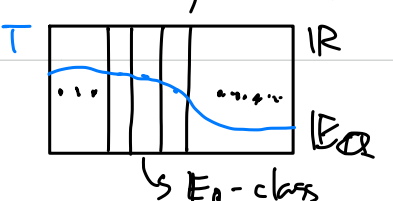
$$\mu(B) = \nu(B) \leq \nu(B \cup Z) \leq \mu(B \cup \hat{Z}) = \mu(B), \text{ so } \nu(B \cup Z) = \mu(B),$$

where $B, \hat{Z} \in \mathcal{B}$, Z, \hat{Z} are null and $\hat{Z} \supseteq Z$. □

We will drop back from the notation $\bar{\mu}$ and just write μ for the completion as well.

Remark. Note that any Polish space has a ctbl open basis, like rational open boxes in \mathbb{R}^d , which implies that there are only continuum many open sets, hence also only continuum many Borel sets. However, because $\mathcal{P}(\text{any null set}) \subseteq \text{Meas}_\mu$ and some measures, like Lebesgue and Borel on \mathbb{R} , have continuum-sized null sets, we get that $|\text{Null}_\mu|$ can be $2^{\text{continuum}}$. So typically there are many-many more μ -measurable sets than Borel sets.

An example of a non-measurable set. We'll construct a non-Lebesgue measurable subset of \mathbb{R} . Let $\mathbb{E}_\mathbb{Q}$ be the coset equivalence relation of $\mathbb{Q} \leq \mathbb{R}$, i.e. $x \mathbb{E}_\mathbb{Q} y \iff x - y \in \mathbb{Q}$. Each $\mathbb{E}_\mathbb{Q}$ -class is ctbl (it's a copy of \mathbb{Q}), so there are continuum-many classes. Using Axiom of Choice,



we get a transversal T for $\mathbb{E}_\mathbb{Q}$, i.e. a set that

intersects every $\mathbb{K}_{\mathbb{Q}}$ -class in exactly one point.

Claim. $T_1 := T \cap [0,1)$ is not Lebesgue measurable.

"You shall never pick a point from each class" — D. Cantor.

Proof. Suppose T_1 is Lebesgue measurable.

Note that for $q_0 \neq q_1$ rationals, $q_0 + T_1$ and $q_1 + T_1$ are disjoint, so

$$[0,1] \subseteq \bigsqcup_{\substack{q \in \mathbb{Q} \\ q \in [-1,1]}} (q + T_1) \subseteq [-1,2].$$

Because Lebesgue measure is translation invariant, $\lambda(q + T_1) = \lambda(T_1)$ $\forall q \in \mathbb{Q}$. Thus,

$$1 = \lambda([0,1]) \leq \sum_{q \in \mathbb{Q} \cap [-1,1]} \lambda(q + T_1) = \sum_{q \in \mathbb{Q} \cap [-1,1]} \lambda(T_1) \leq \lambda([-1,2]) = 3.$$

If $\lambda(T_1) = 0$, then $1 \leq 0$, and if $\lambda(T_1) > 0$, then $\infty \leq 3$, a contradiction. \square

Remark. (a) The Lebesgue measure λ on \mathbb{R}^d is translation invariant, i.e. $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ and $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$ λ -measurable, $\lambda(x + A) = \lambda(A)$.

This is here it's true for boxes by definition.

(b) The Bernoulli(p) measure μ_p , $p \in (0,1)$, on $2^{\mathbb{N}}$ is shift-invariant, where the **shift** is the transformation $s: 2^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow 2^{\mathbb{N}}$

Being shift invariant means: $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mapsto (x_{n+1})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$.

$s^{-1}(A)$ has the same measure as A , for any meas. $A \subseteq 2^{\mathbb{N}}$.

This comes from the condition that $\text{Prob}[x \in A] = \text{Prob}[s(x) \in A] = \text{Prob}[x \in s^{-1}(A)]$. Shift-invariance is true because it's true for cylinders:

$$s^{-1}[\omega] = [0\omega] \cup [1\omega], \text{ so } \mu_p(s^{-1}[\omega]) = \mu_p([0\omega]) + \mu_p([1\omega]) =$$

$$(1-p) \cdot \mu_p([\omega]) + p \cdot \mu_p([\omega]) = \mu_p([\omega]).$$