

Real Analysis

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Chap 3 Lebesgue measures and Hausdorff measures.

§ 3.1 Lebesgue measures on \mathbb{R}^n .

Let $R = \prod_i [a_i, b_i]$ be a closed rectangles in \mathbb{R}^n .

Let $|R|$ denote the volume of R , i.e. $|R| = \prod_i (b_i - a_i)$.

A cube in \mathbb{R}^n is a rectangle R such that $b_j - a_j$ are the same.

Def. The n -dim Lebesgue measure on \mathbb{R}^n is defined by

$$\mathcal{L}^n(E) = \inf \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |R_i| : \bigcup_i R_i \supset E, R_i \text{ closed cubes} \right\}$$

• \mathcal{L}^n is generated by the gauge $(\mathcal{R}, |\cdot|)$, where

\mathcal{R} is the collection of closed cubes in \mathbb{R}^n , $|R|$ is the volume of R .

Facts and remarks:

① Equivalently

$$\mathcal{L}^n(E) = \inf \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |R_i| : E \subset \bigcup_i R_i, R_i \text{ open cubes} \right\}.$$

② $\forall \delta > 0,$

$$\mathcal{L}^n(E) = \inf \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |R_i| : E \subset \bigcup_i R_i, R_i \text{ closed cubes of diameter } \leq \delta \right\}$$

③ \mathcal{L}^n is a metric outer measure, so it is a Borel measure.

④ $\mathcal{L}^n(R) = |R|$ for each cube R .

⑤ Every set in \mathbb{R}^n is outer regular (w.r.t. \mathcal{L}^n)

⑥ Every measure set is inner regular.

⑦ The σ -algebra of measurable sets in the completion of the Borel σ -algebra.

⑧ \mathcal{L}^n is translation invariant,

$$\text{i.e. } \mathcal{L}^n(E+x) = \mathcal{L}^n(E), \quad \forall E \subset \mathbb{R}^n, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

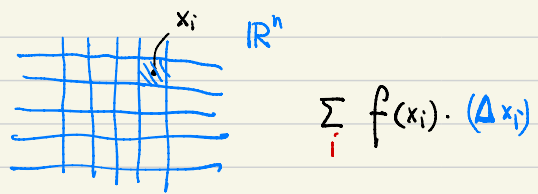
⑨ For any Borel measure μ on \mathbb{R}^n , if μ is translation invariant on \mathbb{R}^n , then $\mu = c \cdot \mathcal{L}^n$ for some c .

Alternatively, Lebesgue measure can be constructed using Riesz representation Thm.

To see this, we define an operator L on $C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$ by

$$L(f) = \int f \, dx, \quad f \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

↑
(Riemann integral via Darboux sum)



- $L(f)$ is well-defined (any $f \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is Riemann integrable)
- L is linear
- L is positive.

Hence L is a positive linear functional over $C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

By Riesz representation Thm, \exists a Borel measure μ_R on \mathbb{R}^n such that μ_R is finite on compact sets and

$$L(f) = \int \underbrace{f}_{\text{Leb. integration}} d\mu_R$$

Prop 3.1 $\mu_R = \mathcal{L}^n$.

pf. We first prove that μ_R is translation invariant.

Let G be open in \mathbb{R}^n , let $f \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$ such that $f < G$.

Let $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$, define $g(x) = f(x+x_0)$. It is direct to see that

$$g < G - x_0.$$

Moreover (using the def of R.I.)

$$\int_G f dx = \int_{G-x_0} g dx$$

Hence $L(f) = L(g)$, so

$$\mu_R(G) = \mu_R(G - x_0). \quad \left(\text{using } \mu_R(G) = \sup \left\{ \int f \right\} : f < G \right)$$

Using the outer regularity of μ_R , we see that

$$\mu_R(E) = \mu_R(E - x_0) \quad \text{for any } E \subset \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Hence μ_R is translation invariant.

Therefore

$$\mu_R = c \cdot \mathcal{L}^n \quad \text{for some } c \geq 0.$$

Next we prove $c=1$.

$$\text{Let } R_0 = (0, 1)^n, \quad \text{let } R_\varepsilon = (\varepsilon, 1-\varepsilon)^n \\ \text{for } 0 < \varepsilon < \frac{1}{2}$$

For $\bar{R}_\varepsilon < f < R_0$,

$$\mu_R(R_0) \geq \int f \, dx \geq |\bar{R}_\varepsilon| = (1-2\varepsilon)^n \\ \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{because } f \equiv 1 \text{ on } \bar{R}_\varepsilon \\ \text{and } f \geq 0 \end{array} \right)$$

Letting $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ gives $\mu_R(R_0) \geq 1$.

However for any $f < R_0$,

$$\int f \, dx = \int_{R_0} f \, dx \leq |R_0| \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} f \text{ is supported} \\ \text{on } R_0 \\ \text{and } f \leq 1 \end{array} \right)$$

Hence

$$\mu_R(R_0) = \sup \{ L(f) : f < R_0 \} \leq |R_0| = 1$$

Therefore $\mu_R(R_0) = 1 = \mu^n(R_0) \Rightarrow c = 1$.

□

Prop. 3.2 Let $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be a linear transformation

Then \exists a constant $\Delta(T) \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$\mu^n(TE) = \Delta(T) \mu^n(E), \quad \forall E \subset \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Furthermore $\Delta(T) = 1$ if T is a rotation or a reflection.

Pf. Define

$$\mu(E) = \mu^n(TE), \quad E \subset \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Clearly μ is an outer measure on \mathbb{R}^n .

Next we assume T is non-singular. Notice that for $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

$$x - y = T^{-1}(Tx - Ty)$$

Hence

$$\|x - y\| \leq \|T^{-1}\| \cdot \|Tx - Ty\|$$

It implies $\|Tx - Ty\| \geq \frac{1}{\|T^{-1}\|} \cdot \|x - y\|$

($\|\vec{a}\| = \sqrt{a_1^2 + \dots + a_n^2}$
for $\vec{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$)

Hence for $A, B \subset \mathbb{R}^n$

$$d(A, B) > 0 \Rightarrow d(TA, TB) > 0$$

It implies that μ is a metric outer measure.

(Recall $\mu(E) = \mathcal{L}^n(TE)$)

Therefore $\mu = C \cdot \mathcal{L}^n$ for some constant.

Next assume T is singular, then $T(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is contained in a hyplane of \mathbb{R}^n so,

$$\mathcal{L}^n(T(\mathbb{R}^n)) = 0. \quad \text{Then } \mu = 0$$

In the case that T is a rotation or a reflection,
then

$B = T(B)$ where B is the unit ball centered
at the origin.

$$\text{So } \mu(B) = \mathcal{L}^n(TB) = \mathcal{L}^n(B) \Rightarrow c=1.$$



§ 3.1 Lebesgue measure on \mathbb{R} .

- Non-measurable subsets of \mathbb{R} .

Q: Is every subset of \mathbb{R} measurable wrt

\mathcal{L}^1 ?

No. Answered by Vitali at 1905.

Vitali's construction of non-measurable sets.

We introduce a relation " \sim " on \mathbb{R} by

$$x \sim y \quad \text{if and only} \quad x - y \in \mathbb{Q}$$

↓
(the set of rationals)

One can check that \sim is an equivalence relation

- $x \sim y \Rightarrow y \sim x$
- $x \sim y, y \sim z \Rightarrow x \sim z$
- $x \sim x$

Then

$$\mathbb{R} = \bigsqcup_{\alpha} E_{\alpha} \quad \text{where } E_{\alpha} \text{ are equivalence classes.}$$

By the axiom of choice, by picking x_{α} from E_{α} for each α ,

we form a set $\{x_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha} =: E$

We call E a Vitali set. Then as a remarkable

fact, we have

$$\mathbb{R} = \bigsqcup_{q \in \mathbb{Q}} (\Sigma + q)$$

where the union is disjoint. (check it).

Prop 3: Every set in \mathbb{R} with positive Lebesgue measure contains a non-measurable subset.

pf. It is equivalent to prove the following:

If $A \subset \mathbb{R}$ such that all subsets of A are measurable, then $\lambda^1(A) = 0$.

Fix such a set A . For $q \in \mathbb{Q}$, we define

$$A_q = A \cap (\Sigma + q),$$

where Σ is a Vitali set. Then

$$A = \bigsqcup_{q \in \mathbb{Q}} A_q \quad \left(\text{because } \mathbb{R} = \bigsqcup_{q \in \mathbb{Q}} (\Sigma + q) \right)$$

Since A_q are measurable by assumption, we have

$$\mu^1(A) = \sum_{q \in \mathbb{Q}} \mu^1(A_q)$$

Now we need to show that $\mu^1(A_q) = 0$ for each $q \in \mathbb{Q}$.

By the inner regularity of μ^1 , it is enough to

show that

$\mu^1(K) = 0$ for each compact subset K of A_q .

Fix such a compact $K \subset A_q$. Define

$$H = \bigcup_{\substack{r \in \mathbb{Q} \\ |r| \leq 1}} K+r$$

For rationals $r_1 \neq r_2$, since $K+r_1 \subset \Sigma + q+r_1$ $\left(\begin{smallmatrix} \text{they are} \\ \text{disjoint} \end{smallmatrix} \right)$
 $K+r_2 \subset \Sigma + q+r_2$

Hence the union in defining H is disjoint

$$\text{So } \mu^1(H) = \sum_{\substack{r \in \mathbb{Q} \\ |r| \leq 1}} \mu^1(K+r) = \sum_{\substack{r \in \mathbb{Q} \\ |r| \leq 1}} \mu^1(K).$$

$$\text{If } \lambda^1(K) > 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^1(H) = +\infty$$

however this is impossible because H is a bounded set

$$\text{Hence } \lambda^1(K) = 0. \quad \square$$

Remark: Any Vitali set Σ is non-measurable.

Pf. Suppose on the contrary Σ is measurable.

$$\mathbb{R} = \bigsqcup_{q \in \mathbb{Q}} (\Sigma + q)$$

(disjoint) measurable

$$\text{Hence } \lambda^1(\mathbb{R}) = \sum_{q \in \mathbb{Q}} \lambda^1(\Sigma + q)$$

$$= \sum_{q \in \mathbb{Q}} \lambda^1(\Sigma)$$

which implies $\lambda^1(\Sigma) > 0$.

However for any compact subset K of \mathbb{R} ,

Using the same trick,

$$H = \bigsqcup_{\substack{r \in \mathbb{Q} \\ |r| \leq 1}} K+r$$

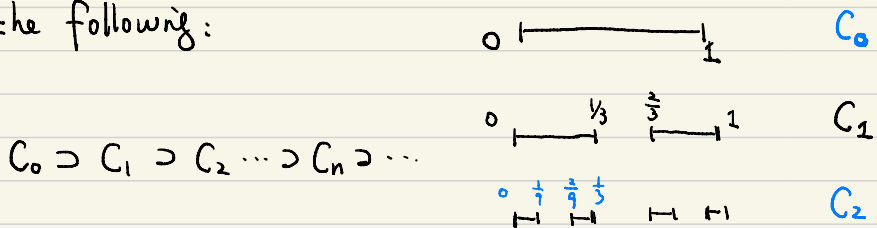
H is bdd, $\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}^1(K) = 0$

By the inner regularity of \mathbb{R} $\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}^1(\mathbb{R}) = 0$.

- Cantor set and Cantor function.

Middle-third Cantor set C . The construction is

the following:



$$\text{Let } C = \bigcap_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n$$

We call C the middle-third Cantor set.

Below we list some properties of C

- C is compact, non-empty, uncountable
- nowhere dense
- perfect (no isolated points)
- $\mathcal{L}^1(C) = 0$
- $C = \left\{ x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n 3^{-n} : a_n = 0 \text{ or } 2 \right\}$

Next we introduce the Cantor function F

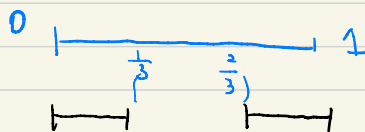
Define $F: C \rightarrow [0, 1]$ by

$$x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n 3^{-n} \longmapsto \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{2} \cdot 2^{-n}$$

- Then the function F is continuous, increasing, surjective.
- Moreover if (a, b) is an interval in the complement of C_n , then

$$F(a) = F(b)$$

For instance $a = \frac{1}{3}$, $b = \frac{2}{3}$



Recall that $\frac{1}{3} = 0.0222\dots 2\dots$ (in base 3)
 $\frac{2}{3} = 0.20000\dots$ (in base 3)

$$F\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = 0.011111\dots \text{ (in base 2)}$$

$$F\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = 0.100000\dots \text{ (in base 2)}$$

Now we extend $F: C \rightarrow [0, 1]$

to $F: [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$

such that F is constant in each component
of $[0, 1] \setminus C$

We call $F: [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ the Cantor function.

Then F satisfies the following properties:

① F is increasing on $[0, 1]$

② F is cts

③ $F'(x) = 0$ for d^1 -a.e $x \in [0, 1]$

④ $F(C) = [0, 1]$

⑤ $|F(x) - F(y)| \leq D |x - y|^{\frac{\log 2}{\log 3}} \quad \forall x, y \in [0, 1]$
and D is a constant.

Next we build an invertible cts function $h: [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 2]$
such that h^{-1} maps some non-measurable sets
into measurable subset.

$$\text{Let } h(x) = x + F(x) \text{ for } x \in [0, 1]$$

Notice that h is cts and strictly increasing.

$$h(0) = 0 + F(0) = 0, \quad h(1) = 1 + F(1) = 2.$$

So h is a homeomorphism from $[0, 1]$ to $[0, 2]$.

Key point: $\lambda^1(h(C)) = 1$.

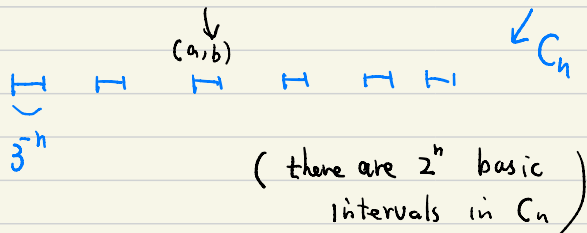
$$\text{Notice that } C = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n, \quad C_n \downarrow$$

$$\text{So } h(C) = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} h(C_n), \quad h(C_n) \downarrow$$

By the continuity of Leb. measure

$$\lambda^1(h(C)) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda^1(h(C_n)).$$

Notice that for each basic interval in C_n



$$d^1(h(a, b)) = 2^{-n} + 3^{-n}$$

$$h(x) = x + F(x) \quad (b - a = 3^{-n})$$

$$d^1(h(a, b)) = b + F(b) - a - F(a)$$

$$= (b - a) + (F(b) - F(a))$$

$$= 3^{-n} + 2^{-n} \quad (\text{using the 3-adic expansions of } b, a.)$$

I leave it as an exer.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } d^1(h(C_n)) &= 2^n (2^{-n} + 3^{-n}) \\ &= 1 + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n. \end{aligned}$$

Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$ gives $d^1(h(C)) = 1.$

Now by Prop 3.3, \exists a non-measurable

$$A \subset h(C)$$

$$\text{Let } B = h^{-1}(A) \subset C.$$

So $h(B) = A$, with A being non-measurable.

However $B \subset C$, so $\lambda^1(B) = 0 \Rightarrow B$ is measurable.

Remark: If $f: [a, b] \rightarrow [c, d]$

is a homeomorphism,

then f maps every Borel subset of $[a, b]$ into a Borel subset of $[c, d]$.

(Exer.)