

Real Analysis

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§ 5.2 Radon - Nikodym Thm

Def (Absolute continuity).

Let μ be a measure on (X, \mathcal{M}) .

Let λ be a measure / signed measure on (X, \mathcal{M}) .

We say that λ is abs. cts w.r.t μ if

$$E \in \mathcal{M}, \mu(E) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda(E) = 0.$$

We write $\lambda \ll \mu$.

Def. • Say that λ is concentrated on $A \in \mathcal{M}$

$$\text{if } \lambda(E) = \lambda(E \cap A) \quad \forall E \in \mathcal{M}.$$

• Say that $\lambda_1 \perp \lambda_2$ if \exists disjoint $A, B \in \mathcal{M}$

such that λ_1 is concentrated on A ,

λ_2 is concentrated on B .

Prop 5.3. Let μ be a measure on (X, \mathcal{M})

Let λ_1, λ_2 be measures / signed measures on (X, \mathcal{M}) .

Then the following hold:

(a) λ is concentrated on $A \in \mathcal{M}$

$\Rightarrow |\lambda|$ is concentrated on $A \in \mathcal{M}$

(b) $\lambda_1 \perp \lambda_2 \Rightarrow |\lambda_1| \perp |\lambda_2|$

(c) $\lambda_1 \perp \mu, \lambda_2 \perp \mu \Rightarrow \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 \perp \mu$

(d) $\lambda_1 \ll \mu, \lambda_2 \ll \mu \Rightarrow \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 \ll \mu$.

(e) $\lambda \ll \mu \Rightarrow |\lambda| \ll \mu$

(f) $\lambda_1 \ll \mu, \lambda_2 \perp \mu \Rightarrow \lambda_1 \perp \lambda_2$

(g) $\lambda \ll \mu, \lambda \perp \mu \Rightarrow \lambda = 0$.

Pf of (g): Since $\lambda \perp \mu$, \exists disjoint $A, B \in \mathcal{M}$

for which λ is concentrated on A , μ is concentrated on B .

Hence $\forall E \in \mathcal{M}$,

$$\lambda(E) = \lambda(E \cap A).$$

In the mean time,

$$\mu(E \cap A) = \mu(E \cap A \cap B) = 0.$$

Since $\lambda \ll \mu$, $\lambda(E \cap A) = 0$

Hence $\lambda(E) = \lambda(E \cap A) = 0$. \square

Thm 5.5 (Lebesgue decomposition)

Let μ be a σ -finite measure on (X, \mathcal{M}) .

Let λ be a signed measure on (X, \mathcal{M}) .

Then \exists a unique decomposition

$$\lambda = \lambda_{ac} + \lambda_s$$

Such that $\lambda_{ac} \ll \mu$ and $\lambda_s \perp \mu$.

Thm 5.6 (Radon-Nikodym Thm).

Under the same assumptions in Thm 5.5.

Suppose that $\lambda \ll \mu$.

Then \exists a unique $h \in L^1(\mu)$ such that

$$\lambda(E) = \int_E h d\mu, \quad \forall E \in \mathcal{M}.$$

Pf of Thm 5.5 & Thm 5.6.

Step 1. We first consider the case when both μ and λ are finite measures.

Let $\rho = \mu + \lambda$. Then ρ is a finite measure. Next we introduce $\Lambda: L^2(\rho) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \Lambda(\phi) = \int \phi d\lambda, \quad \forall \phi \in L^2(\rho).$$

By Cauchy-Schwartz inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} |\Lambda(\phi)| &= \left| \int \phi d\lambda \right| \\ &\leq \left(\int \phi^2 d\lambda \right)^{1/2} \left(\int 1 d\lambda \right)^{1/2} \\ &\leq \left(\int \phi^2 d\rho \right)^{1/2} \lambda(X)^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \| \phi \|_{L^2(\rho)} \cdot \lambda(X)^{1/2}$$

Hence $\Lambda \in L^2(\rho)'$

Hence $\exists g \in L^2(\rho)$ such that

$$(2) \quad \Lambda(\phi) = \int \phi g \, d\rho, \quad \forall \phi \in L^2(\rho). \\ = \int \phi \, d\lambda$$

Taking $\phi = \chi_E$ in (2) gives

$$\Lambda(\chi_E) = \int \chi_E g \, d\rho = \int_E g \, d\rho \\ = \int \chi_E \, d\lambda = \lambda(E).$$

That is,

$$\lambda(E) = \int_E g \, d\rho, \quad \forall E \in \mathcal{M}$$

$$\text{So } 0 \leq \frac{1}{\rho(E)} \int_E g \, d\rho = \frac{\lambda(E)}{\rho(E)} \leq 1, \quad \forall E \in \mathcal{M}.$$

This implies $0 \leq g(x) \leq 1$ for ρ -a.e x .

Suppose on the contrary that $\exists \varepsilon > 0$ such that

either ① $g > 1 + \varepsilon$ on a set C
with $p(C) > 0$.

or ② $g < -\varepsilon$ on a set
 \tilde{C} with $p(\tilde{C}) > 0$.

If ① holds,

$$\frac{1}{p(C)} \int_C g \, d\rho \geq 1 + \varepsilon \quad \text{leading to a contradiction}$$

If ② holds

$$\frac{1}{p(\tilde{C})} \int_{\tilde{C}} g \, d\rho \leq -\varepsilon, \quad \text{a contradiction}$$

Now by redefining g on a null set

we may assume

$$0 \leq g(x) \leq 1, \quad \forall x \in X.$$

Then we define

$$A = \{x : g(x) \in [0, 1)\},$$

$$B = \{x : g(x) = 1\}.$$

Define for $E \in \mathcal{M}$,

$$\lambda_{ac}(E) = \lambda(E \cap A)$$

$$\lambda_s(E) = \lambda(E \cap B).$$

By definition, λ_{ac} is concentrated on A
 λ_s is concentrated on B .

Recall that

$$\begin{aligned} \int \phi d\lambda &= \int \phi g d\rho, \quad \forall \phi \in L^2(\rho) \\ &= \int \phi g d\lambda + \int \phi g d\mu \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \int \phi(1-g) d\lambda = \int \phi g d\mu.$$

Taking $\phi = \chi_B$ in $\textcircled{3}$ gives

$$\int_B 1-g d\lambda = \int_B g d\mu$$

Hence $0 = \mu(B)$.

Recall that λ_S is concentrated on B ,
but μ is concentrated on $X \setminus B$

So $\lambda_S \perp \mu$.

Next we prove $\lambda_{ac} \ll \mu$.

To see this, taking $\phi = \chi_E (1 + g + \dots + g^n)$ in (3)
gives

$$\int \chi_E (1 + g + \dots + g^n) (1 - g) d\lambda = \int \chi_E (1 + g + \dots + g^n) g d\mu$$

$$\text{LHS} = \left(\int_A + \int_B \right) \chi_E (1 + g + \dots + g^n) (1 - g) d\lambda$$

$$= \int_{A \cap E} (1 + g + \dots + g^n) (1 - g) d\lambda$$

$$= \int_{A \cap E} 1 - g^{n+1} d\lambda$$

$$\longrightarrow \int_{A \cap E} 1 d\lambda = \lambda(E \cap A) = \lambda_{ac}(E)$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

$$(RHS) = \left(\int_A + \int_B \right) \chi_E (1 + g + \dots + g^n) g \, d\mu$$

$$\stackrel{\mu(B)=0}{=} \int_{A \cap E} g \cdot \frac{1 - g^{n+1}}{1 - g} \, d\mu$$

$$\longrightarrow \int_{A \cap E} \frac{g}{1 - g} \, d\mu \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$= \int_E \frac{g}{1 - g} \, d\mu \quad (\text{since } \mu(B) = 0)$$

Hence

$$\lambda_{ac}(E) = \int_E \frac{g}{1 - g} \, d\mu, \quad \forall E \in \mathcal{M}.$$

Set $h = \frac{g}{1 - g}$. Then

$$\lambda_{ac}(E) = \int_E h \, d\mu$$

which implies $\infty > \lambda_{ac}(X) = \int_X h \, d\mu$,

Hence $h \in L^1(\mu)$ and

$$\lambda_{ac}^{(E)} = \int_E h \, d\mu \Rightarrow \lambda_{ac} \ll \mu.$$

Step 2. Assume μ is finite, λ is a signed measure.

Define

$$\lambda^+ = \frac{1}{2}(\lambda + |\lambda|),$$

$$\lambda^- = \frac{1}{2}(|\lambda| - \lambda).$$

Then from the property that

$$|\lambda(E)| \leq |\lambda|(E), \quad E \in \mathcal{M}$$

We see that

λ^+, λ^- are two finite measures on (X, \mathcal{M}) .

Moreover $\lambda = \lambda^+ - \lambda^-$.

We call the above decomposition the **John decomposition** of λ .

By step 1,

$$\lambda^+ = \lambda_{ac}^+ + \lambda_s^+$$

$$\lambda^- = \lambda_{ac}^- + \lambda_s^-$$

where $\lambda_{ac}^+ \ll \mu$, $\lambda_{ac}^- \ll \mu$, $\lambda_s^+, \lambda_s^- \perp \mu$.

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda &= \lambda^+ - \lambda^- \\ &= (\lambda_{ac}^+ - \lambda_{ac}^-) + (\lambda_s^+ - \lambda_s^-)\end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\lambda_{ac}^+ - \lambda_{ac}^- \ll \mu, \quad \lambda_s^+ - \lambda_s^- \perp \mu.$$

Step 3. Now consider the case that

μ is σ -finite and λ is a signed measure.

Let $\{X_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$ be a partition of X such that

$$\mu(X_j) < \infty.$$

Write

$$\mu_j = \mu|_{X_j}$$

$$\lambda_j = \lambda|_{X_j}$$

(i.e. $\mu_j(E) = \mu(E \cap X_j)$, $\lambda_j(E) = \lambda(E \cap X_j)$)

Then μ_j are finite measures on (X, \mathcal{M})
 λ_j are signed measures on (X, \mathcal{M}) .

$$\text{Then } \lambda_j = \lambda_{ac}^j + \lambda_s^j$$

$$\lambda_{ac}^j \ll \mu_j$$

$$\lambda_s^j \perp \mu_j$$

$$\text{Then } \exists h_j \in L^1(\mu_j) \text{ s.t.}$$

$$\lambda_{ac}^j(E) = \int_E h_j d\mu_j, \quad j=1, \dots$$

Finally let

$$\lambda_{ac} = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \lambda_{ac}^j$$

$$\lambda_s = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \lambda_s^j$$

Then $\lambda_{ac} \ll \mu$ and $\lambda_s \perp \mu$

$$\lambda_{ac}(E) = \int_E h d\mu,$$

where

$$h = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} p_j \chi_{x_j}.$$

Step 4. (Uniqueness of the Lebesgue decomposition)

μ — σ -finite measure

λ — a signed measure.

Suppose

$$\lambda = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2$$

$$= \lambda_3 + \lambda_4$$

such that $\lambda_1, \lambda_3 \ll \mu$

$\lambda_2, \lambda_4 \perp \mu.$

Notice that $\lambda_1 - \lambda_3 \ll \mu$

But $\lambda_1 - \lambda_3 = \lambda_4 - \lambda_2 \perp \mu$

By (8) of Prop 5.3, $\lambda_1 - \lambda_3 = 0$

Hence $\lambda_1 = \lambda_3$, $\lambda_2 = \lambda_4$. \square

Uniqueness part in R-N Thm.

Suppose $\lambda \ll \mu$ and $\exists h_1, h_2 \in L^1(\mu)$

such that

$$\lambda(E) = \int_E h_1 d\mu = \int_E h_2 d\mu, \quad \forall E \in \mathcal{M}$$

Hence

$$\int_E h_1 - h_2 d\mu = 0, \quad \forall E \in \mathcal{M}.$$

We need to show that $h_1 - h_2 = 0$ a.e.

If not, ^{then} $\exists \varepsilon > 0$ such that either

$h_1 - h_2 > \varepsilon$ on a set B of positive measure
or $h_1 - h_2 < -\varepsilon$ on a set B of positive meas.

$$\int_B h_1 - h_2 d\mu \geq \sum \mu(B) > 0$$

leading a contradiction

Prop 5.7. Let μ be a signed measure on (X, \mathcal{M}) .

Let $|\mu|$ denote the total variation of μ .

Then the following hold:

① $\exists h \in L^1(|\mu|)$ such that $|h|=1$ for $|\mu|$ -a.e.
and

$$\mu(E) = \int_E h d|\mu|.$$

② \exists disjoint $A, B \in \mathcal{M}$ such that

$$\mu^+(E) = \mu(E \cap A), \quad \forall E \in \mathcal{M}$$

$$\mu^-(E) = -\mu(E \cap B), \quad \forall E \in \mathcal{M},$$

$$\text{where } \mu^+ = \frac{1}{2}(|\mu| + \mu), \quad \mu^- = \frac{1}{2}(|\mu| - \mu).$$

③ If $\mu = \lambda_1 - \lambda_2$ for two measures λ_1, λ_2
then $\lambda_1 \geq \mu^+$, $\lambda_2 \geq \mu^-$.

Pf. Since $|\mu(E)| \leq |\mu|(E)$, $\mu \ll |\mu|$.

By the Radon-Nikodym Thm,

$\exists h \in L^1(|\mu|)$ such that

$$\mu(E) = \int_E h \, d|\mu|, \quad \forall E \in \mathcal{M}.$$

First we prove that $|h| \leq 1$ for $|\mu|$ -a.e.

If not, then $\exists \varepsilon > 0$ such that

either $h > 1 + \varepsilon$ on a set E with $|\mu|(E) > 0$

or $h < -(1 + \varepsilon)$ on a set E with $|\mu|(E) > 0$.

WLOG, suppose the first case occurs.

$$\mu(E) = \int_E h \, d|\mu|(E) \geq (1 + \varepsilon) |\mu|(E) > 0,$$

which is impossible, because $|\mu(E)| \leq |\mu|(E)$.

Next we show that $|h| \geq 1$ for $|\mu|$ -a.e.

For $0 < r < 1$, define

$$A_r = \{x : |h(x)| < r\}.$$

Then if $\{E_j\}$ is a partition of A_r ,

then

$$|\mu(E_j)| = \left| \int_{E_j} h \, d|\mu| \right|$$

$$\leq \int_{E_j} |h| \, d|\mu|$$

$$\leq \int_{E_j} r \, d|\mu|$$

$$\leq r \cdot |\mu|(E_j).$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\mu(E_j)| &\leq r \cdot \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\mu|(E_j) \\ &= r \cdot |\mu|(A_r) \end{aligned}$$

Taking supremum over $\{E_j\}$ gives

$$|\mu|(A_r) \leq r \cdot |\mu|(A_r)$$

$$\Rightarrow |\mu|(A_r) = 0.$$

So

$$|\mu|\left\{x: |h| < 1\right\}$$

$$= |\mu|\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_{1/n}\right) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\mu|(A_{1/n})$$
$$= 0.$$

Hence $|h| \geq 1$ $|\mu|$ -a.e.

So $|h| = 1$ $|\mu|$ -a.e.

This completes the proof of ①.

Next set

$$A = \{x: h(x) = 1\}$$

$$B = \{x: h(x) = -1\}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}\mu(E \cap A) &= \int_{E \cap A} h \, d|\mu| \\ &= \int_{E \cap A} 1 \, d|\mu| \\ &= |\mu|(E \cap A), \quad (1)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mu(E \cap B) &= \int_{E \cap B} h \, d|\mu| \\ &= \int_{E \cap B} (-1) \, d|\mu| \\ &= -|\mu|(E \cap B) \quad (2)\end{aligned}$$

From this, we can check that

$$\mu^+ = \mu|_A \quad \text{and} \quad \mu^- = -\mu|_B$$

Indeed
$$\begin{aligned}\mu^+(E) &= \frac{1}{2}(|\mu|(E) + \mu(E)) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(|\mu|(E \cap A) + |\mu|(E \cap B) + \mu(E \cap A) + \mu(E \cap B)) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(|\mu|(E \cap A) + \mu(E \cap A)) \\ &= \mu(E \cap A).\end{aligned}$$

Similarly
$$\mu^-(E) = -\mu(E \cap B).$$

③. Suppose

$$\mu = \lambda_1 - \lambda_2, \quad \text{where } \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \text{ are measures.}$$

We need to show that

$$\lambda_1 \geq \mu^+$$

$$\lambda_2 \geq \mu^-.$$

Notice by ②, $\exists A, B$ disjoint,

such that

$$\mu^+(E) = \mu(E \cap A)$$

$$\mu^-(E) = -\mu(E \cap B).$$

So

$$\begin{aligned}\mu^+(E) &= \mu(E \cap A) \\ &= \lambda_1(E \cap A) - \lambda_2(E \cap A) \\ &\leq \lambda_1(E \cap A) \\ &\leq \lambda_1(E).\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mu^-(E) &= -\mu(E \cap B) \\ &= \lambda_2(E \cap B) - \lambda_1(E \cap B) \\ &\leq \lambda_2(E \cap B) \\ &\leq \lambda_2(E).\end{aligned}$$

