

Lecture 3: February 6

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Last Time:

- Measure (Probability is a special case)
- Measurable space
- Satisfying properties → notably countable additivity
- Inclusion-Exclusion Principle (see Wikipedia):
if $\mu(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i) < \infty$ then,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i\right) &= \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k+1} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_k = n} \mu(A_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap A_{i_n}) \\ &= \sum_{J \subseteq [n] = \{1, \dots, n\}} (-1)^{|J|-1} \mu\left(\bigcup_{i \in J} A_i\right), \text{ where } J \neq \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

- $\pi - \lambda$ Theorem (see notes for proof)
 - uniqueness of measure
 - 2 measures on σ -field describing properties over π -system is unique
 - way of describing uniqueness
 - more of a technicality

New Material:**3.1 Caratheodory's Extension**

Theorem 3.1 *Let μ be a σ -finite measure over a field \mathcal{C} (need to assume we have countable additive sets over the field). Then μ has a unique extension to a measure on $\sigma(\mathcal{C})$.*

See notes for proof.

3.2 Measures from CDFs

Let $F : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ be a CDF such that:

1. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(x) = 1$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F(x) = 0$
2. F has left limits: $\lim_{y \uparrow x} F(y)$ exists $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$
3. Continuity from the right: $\lim_{y \downarrow x} F(y) = F(x)$
 Functions of this form are known as Càdlàg (see Wikipedia).
4. Monotonicity: $x \leq y \Rightarrow F(x) \leq F(y)$
 Let $\mathbf{C} = \{\text{set of discontinuity of Càdlàg function}\}$, then \mathbf{C} is countable! (Any probability distribution defined over discrete space \rightarrow countably infinite set of discontinuity).

Let x be a point of discontinuity for F ,

$$\lim_{y \uparrow x} F(y) = F(x^-) < F(x) = \lim_{y \downarrow x} F(y)$$

Let r_x be any rational such that

$$\begin{aligned} F(x^-) < r_x \leq F(x) \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{C} \text{ is a one-to-one to a subset of } \mathbb{Q} \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{C} \text{ is countable} \end{aligned}$$

Recall the field \mathcal{U} of finite disjoint unions of sets of the form $(a, b]$, $-\infty \leq a < b$ and complements.

Let $\mu : \mathcal{U} \Rightarrow [0, 1]$ given by,

$$\mu(A) = \sum_{k=1}^n F(b_k) - F(a_k)$$

when $A = \bigcup_{k=1}^n (a_k, b_k]$ disjoint!

If μ is a measure on \mathcal{U} then it will extend to unique measure on $\sigma(\mathcal{U}) = \mathcal{B}$, Borel σ -field.

We need to show that μ is countably additive over \mathcal{U} .

Lemma 3.2 Let $(a, b] = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} (c_k, d_k]$ (infinite disjoint union) then,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu((a, b]) &= F(b) - F(a) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} F(d_k) - F(c_k) \end{aligned}$$

Proof: Since $(a, b] \supseteq \bigcup_{k=1}^n (a_k, b_k]$ (finite n),

$$\Rightarrow F(b) - F(a) \geq \sum_{k=1}^n F(d_k) - F(c_k), \forall n$$

because sets are disjoint and by finite additivity.

To show for infinite, take limit on both sides,

$$\Rightarrow F(b) - F(a) \geq \lim \sum_{k=1}^n F(d_k) - F(c_k) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} F(d_k) - F(c_k)$$

Assume a, b are finite. For each $k \exists e_k > d_k$ such that,

$$F(d_k) \leq F(e_k) \leq F(d_k) + \frac{\epsilon}{2^n}$$

by right continuity, for some arbitrarily small ϵ . Also $\exists f > a$ s.t. $F(a) \geq F(f) - \epsilon$, holds by right continuity.

Next the set $[f, b]$,

If \mathcal{C} is compact and $\mathcal{C} \subset \bigcup_{\alpha} U_{\alpha}$ (open sets) then \exists a finite collection $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ s.t. $\mathcal{C} \subset \bigcup_i^n U_{\alpha_i}$.

In \mathbb{R}^k , \mathcal{C} is compact iff it is closed and bounded.

Since $[f, b] \subseteq \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} (c_k, e_k)$ there exist finitely many indices k , which assume to be the first n such that:

$$\begin{aligned} [f, b] &\subseteq \bigcup_{k=1}^n (c_k, e_k) \subset \bigcup_{k=1}^n (c_k, e_k] \\ F(b) - F(a) &\leq F(b) - F(f) + \epsilon \\ &\leq \epsilon + \sum_{k=1}^n F(e_k) - F(c_k) \\ &\leq \epsilon + \sum_{k=1}^n [(F(d_k) - F(c_k)) + \frac{\epsilon}{2^k}] \\ &\leq \epsilon + \sum_k^n \frac{\epsilon}{2^k} + \sum_k^n F(d_k) - F(c_k) \end{aligned}$$

$\forall \epsilon$ and all n .

Take limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$,

$$= \epsilon + \epsilon + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} F(d_k) - F(c_k)$$

Since ϵ is arbitrarily small,

$$F(b) - F(a) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} F(d_k) - F(c_k)$$

(One of the purposes of seeing this proof is to see the use of compact sets. This is how you construct measures on Borel σ -field, **HW** - if you have a measure on a Borel σ -field then you also have a CDF, not hard to show).

This result holds even if F is unbounded. If $F(x) = x$ then the resulting μ on $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B})$ is the Lebesgue measure.

If I is an interval $(a, b]$ or $[a, b)$ or (a, b) (any form) then $\mu(I) = \text{length of interval } b - a$ (over real, measure of \mathcal{B} σ -field defining length) then it is σ -finite.

3.3 Extension to \mathbb{R}^k

Let $F : \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow [0, 1]$ s.t.,

1. F is non-decreasing (if $x \leq y$ in \mathbb{R}^k , $x_i \leq y_i \forall i$, $\Rightarrow F(x) \leq F(y)$).
2. F has left limits
3. F is right-continuous
- 4.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} F(x) = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F(x) = 0$$

Let A be a hyper-rectangle,

$$A = (a, b] \times \dots \times (a_k, b_k]$$

\mathcal{B}^k is a σ -field generated by such sets.

Example: $k = 2$,

$$\mu((a_1, b_1] \times (a_2, b_2]) = F(b_1, b_2) - F(a_1, b_2) - F(a_2, b_1) + F(a_1, a_2)$$

where $F(b_1, b_2) = \mu((-\infty, b_1] \times (-\infty, b_2])$.

But μ is not a measure,

$$F(x_1, x_2) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x_1, x_2 \geq 1 \\ \frac{2}{3}, & \text{if } x_1 \geq 1, x_2 \in [0, 1) \\ \frac{2}{3}, & \text{if } x_2 \geq 1, x_1 \in [0, 1) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\mu(\{1, 1\}) = \frac{-1}{3}$$

$$a_1 = a_2 = 1 - \epsilon$$

$$b_1 = b_2 = 1$$

Let $\epsilon \downarrow 0$, as we increase dimensions it no longer holds.

Leads to one more condition,

5. Let $A = (a_1, b_1] \times \dots \times (a_k, b_k]$, and $V_A = \{a_1, b_1\} \times \dots \times \{a_k, b_k\}$ equal the vertices of A . For $v \in V_A$ let $sign(v) = (-1)^{\# \text{ a's in } v}$, let $\Delta_A F = \sum_{v \in V_A} sign(v) F(v)$, condition is that $\Delta_A F \geq 0$ for all such A .

This is to make us aware of the difficulties of switching to higher dimensions and how we get Lebesgue measure on \mathbb{R}^k . Apply Caratheodory's extension \Rightarrow Lebesgue measure on \mathbb{R}^k , $\mu(A) = \text{volume of } A$.

3.4 Measurable Functions

Let (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) be a probability space (where P is a probability measure and $f : \Omega \rightarrow S$).

What is $P(h(\omega) \in A)$, $A \subseteq S$ (also equals $P(\omega : h(\omega) \in A)$)? Write as " $Pr(\{\omega : h(\omega) \in A\})$ ".

Definition 3.3 Let (Ω, \mathcal{F}) and (S, \mathcal{A}) be measurable spaces.

Let $f : \Omega \rightarrow S$ s.t. $f^{-1}(A) \in \mathcal{F} \forall A \in \mathcal{A}$ then f is \mathcal{F}/\mathcal{A} measurable or measurable.

Example: $\mathcal{F} = 2^\Omega$ then every $f : \Omega \rightarrow S$ is measurable.

Example: $\mathcal{A} = \{\emptyset, S\}$ then any $f : \Omega \rightarrow S$ is measurable.

$f(B) \in \mathcal{A}, \forall B \in \mathcal{B}$? \rightarrow is this the case?

\rightarrow even if f is measurable there is no guarantee that $f(B) \in \mathcal{A}$, example is $\mathcal{A} = \{\emptyset, S\}$.

Facts:

- $f^{-1}(A^c) = (f^{-1}(A))^c$
- $f^{-1}(\bigcup_n A_n) = \bigcup_n f^{-1}(A_n)$
- $f^{-1}(\bigcap_n A_n) = \bigcap_n f^{-1}(A_n)$

In general $f(B^c) \neq (f(B))^c$ as these are very different sets.