

measure theory part 2 : independence
&
expectation.

* in the lectures we do not give any proofs from this section — i include them here in case you're interested.

① independence

def let $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ be a probability space, and let $A_i \in \mathcal{F} \quad \forall i \in I$, where I is any index set we say $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$ are independent if for all finite sets $J \subset I$,

$$\mathbb{P}\left[\bigcap_{i \in J} A_i\right] = \prod_{i \in J} \mathbb{P}[A_i].$$

def let \mathcal{F}_i be a sub- σ -algebra of $\mathcal{F} \quad \forall i \in I$. (subsets of \mathcal{F} which are σ -algebras). we say $\{\mathcal{F}_i\}_{i \in I}$ are independent if $\forall A_i \in \mathcal{F}_i, i \in I$, $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$ are independent.

thm let A_1, A_2 satisfy $\emptyset \in A_i, A, B \in A_i \Rightarrow A \cap B \in A_i$ $\forall i=1,2$. suppose

$$\mathbb{P}[A_1 \cap A_2] = \mathbb{P}[A_1] \mathbb{P}[A_2]$$

$\forall A_1 \in \mathcal{A}_1, A_2 \in \mathcal{A}_2$. then $\sigma(\mathcal{A}_1), \sigma(\mathcal{A}_2)$ indep.

proof fix $A_1 \in \mathcal{A}_1$ and define for all $A \in \mathcal{F}$

$$\mu(A) := \mathbb{P}(A_1 \cap A), \quad \nu(A) := \mathbb{P}[A_1] \mathbb{P}[A]$$

then μ and ν are measures which agree on \mathcal{A}_2 , with $\mu(\Omega) = \nu(\Omega) = \mathbb{P}[A_1] < \infty$. so by uniqueness of Carathéodory, $\forall A_2 \in \sigma(\mathcal{A}_2)$,

$$\mathbb{P}[A_1 \cap A_2] = \mu(A_2) = \nu(A_2) = \mathbb{P}[A_1] \mathbb{P}[A_2].$$

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now fix $A_2 \in \sigma(\mathcal{A}_2)$ and repeat the argument with

$$\mu'(A) := \mathbb{P}[A \cap A_2], \quad \nu'(A) := \mathbb{P}[A] \mathbb{P}[A_2]$$

lem (exercises) let $(\Omega_1, \mathcal{F}_1)$, $(\Omega_2, \mathcal{F}_2)$ be sets with σ -algebras, and $X: \Omega_1 \rightarrow \Omega_2$ measurable. then

$X^{-1}(\mathcal{F}_2) := \left\{ X^{-1}(A) : A \in \mathcal{F}_2 \right\}$ is a σ -algebra.

we often write $\sigma(X) := X^{-1}(\mathcal{F}_2)$.

def $(X_i : i \in I)$ RVs on $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ are independent if the σ -algebras $\sigma(X_i)$ are independent.

② expectation

- we will define, for measurable functions f on $(\Omega, \mathbb{F}, \mu)$ the integral of f

$$\mu(f) = \int_{\Omega} f \, d\mu.$$

when $(\Omega, \mathbb{F}) = (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B})$ and μ is Lebesgue measure, we write

$$\mu(f) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x) \, dx.$$

for $(\Omega, \mathbb{F}, \mathbb{P})$ a probability space, $f = X$ a random variable, we call it the expectation of X

$$\mu(X) = \mathbb{E}[X].$$

def $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is simple if

$$f = \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \mathbb{1}_{A_k},$$

where $0 \leq a_k < \infty$, $A_k \in \mathbb{F}$, $m \in \mathbb{N}$. for f simple, define

$$\mu(f) := \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \mu(A_k)$$

(setting $0 \cdot \infty = 0$).

def we say a property P holds almost everywhere (or almost surely in the probability setting) if $\mu(\{P \text{ doesn't hold}\}) = 0$.

lem for $\alpha, \beta \geq 0$, f, g simple,

a. $\mu(\alpha f + \beta g) = \alpha \mu(f) + \beta \mu(g)$

b. $f \leq g \Rightarrow \mu(f) \leq \mu(g)$

c. $f = 0$ a.e. $\Leftrightarrow \mu(f) = 0$

def if f is measurable & non-negative, let

$$\mu(f) := \sup \{ \mu(g) : g \text{ simple, } g \leq f \}$$

- if f measurable, set $f^+ = f \vee 0$, $f^- = (-f) \vee 0$. then $f = f^+ - f^-$, $|f| = f^+ + f^-$ (all measurable).

def if $\mu(|f|) < \infty$, we say f is integrable and

$$\mu(f) := \mu(f^+) - \mu(f^-).$$

def let $x_n, n \in \mathbb{N}$ and x lie in $[0, \infty]$. we say $x_n \rightarrow x$ if $x_n \leq x_{n+1} \forall n$ and $x_n \rightarrow x$.

def let Ω be a set, $f_n, n \in \mathbb{N}$ and f non-negative functions on Ω . we say $f_n \rightarrow f$ if $f_n(x) \rightarrow f(x) \forall x \in \Omega$.

def let $A_n, n \in \mathbb{N}$ and A be subsets of Ω . we say $A_n \rightarrow A$ if $A_n \subset A_{n+1} \forall n$ and $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n = A$.

thm (monotone convergence thm). let $f, (f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ non-negative measurable, with $f_n \rightarrow f$. then $\mu(f_n) \rightarrow \mu(f)$.

proof

exercise

rmk we have been using monotone convergence already.

ex in chapter 5, we $\mathbb{P}_p[\# \infty \text{ clusters} \geq 3] = 1$.

let $I_n = \{ \geq 3 \infty \text{ clusters intersecting } B_n \}$.

then $I_n \subset I_{n+1}$, and $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n = \{ \exists \geq 3 \infty \text{ clusters} \}$

hence $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}_p[I_n] = 1$ by monotone convergence

$\Rightarrow \exists n_0$ with $\mathbb{P}_p[I_{n_0}] > 0$.

thm for $\alpha, \beta \geq 0$, $f, g \geq 0$ and measurable

a. $\mu(\alpha f + \beta g) = \alpha \mu(f) + \beta \mu(g)$

b. $f \leq g \Rightarrow \mu(f) \leq \mu(g)$

c. $f = 0$ a.e. $\Leftrightarrow \mu(f) = 0$

proof • define simple functions

$$f_n = \min \{ (2^{-n} \lfloor 2^n f \rfloor), n \} \quad \text{where}$$

$\lfloor x \rfloor$ is the largest integer k with $k \leq x$,

and g_n similar.

- then $f_n \nearrow f$, $g_n \nearrow g$, so $\alpha f_n + \beta g_n \nearrow \alpha f + \beta g$.
hence by monotone convergence, $\mu(f_n) \nearrow \mu(f)$,
 $\mu(g_n) \nearrow \mu(g)$ and $\mu(\alpha f_n + \beta g_n) \nearrow \mu(\alpha f + \beta g)$.
- we obtain (a) from above and linearity for simple functions
- (b) from definition of the integral
- if $f = 0$ a.e. then $f_n = 0$ a.e., so
 $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\mu(f_n) = 0 \Rightarrow \mu(f) = 0$. on the
other hand, if $\mu(f) = 0$ then $\mu(f_n) = 0 \forall n$,
so $f_n = 0$ a.e. $\Rightarrow f = 0$ a.e. ▣

thm for $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$, f, g integrable

a. $\mu(\alpha f + \beta g) = \alpha \mu(f) + \beta \mu(g)$

b. $f \leq g \Rightarrow \mu(f) \leq \mu(g)$

c. $f = 0$ a.e. \Rightarrow $\mu(f) = 0$

proof • note $\mu(-f) = -\mu(f)$. for $\alpha > 0$,

$$\mu(\alpha f) = \mu(\alpha f^+) - \mu(\alpha f^-) = \alpha \mu(f^+) - \alpha \mu(f^-) = \alpha \mu(f)$$

- if $h = f + g$, then $h^+ + f^- + g^- = h^- + f^+ + g^+$
 $\Rightarrow \mu(h^+) + \mu(f^-) + \mu(g^-) = \mu(h^-) + \mu(f^+) + \mu(g^+)$
 $\Rightarrow \mu(f) = \mu(f) + \mu(g)$, so (a) holds.

- (b): if $f \leq g$ then $\mu(g) - \mu(f) = \mu(g - f) \geq 0$

- (c): $f = 0$ a.e. $\Rightarrow f^\pm = 0$ a.e.

$$\Rightarrow \mu(f^\pm) = 0 \Rightarrow \mu(f) = 0. \quad \blacksquare$$

lem (Fatou's lemma) let $f_n, n \in \mathbb{N}$ be ≥ 0 and measurable.
then $\mu(\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(f_n)$.

(where recall $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf_{m \geq n} \{x_m\}$
and $(\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n)(x) := \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f_n(x))$.)

proof

- for all $k \geq n$, $\inf_{m \geq n} f_m \leq f_k$

$$\Rightarrow \mu(\inf_{m \geq n} f_m) \leq \inf_{k \geq n} \mu(f_k) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(f_n).$$

\square

- further, $\inf_{m \geq n} f_m \rightarrow \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n$

so by monotone convergence,

$$\mu\left(\inf_{m \geq n} f_m\right) \rightarrow \mu\left(\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n\right)$$

- hence by \square $\mu\left(\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n\right) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(f_n)$.

thm (dominated convergence theorem)

let $f_n, n \in \mathbb{N}$ and f be measurable. suppose $f_n \rightarrow f$ and $|f_n| \leq g$ $\forall n$, g some integrable function.

then f and f_n are integrable $\forall n$, and

$$\mu(f_n) \rightarrow \mu(f).$$

proof • f is measurable and $|f| \leq g$, so $\mu(|f|) \leq \mu(g) < \infty$, so f is integrable. similar for f_n .

• we have $0 \leq g \pm f_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} g \pm f$.

so certainly $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} (g \pm f_n) = g \pm f$

- by Fatou,

$$\mu(g) + \mu(f) = \mu\left(\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} (g + f_n)\right) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(g + f_n) = \\ = \mu(g) + \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(f_n)$$

and

$$\mu(g) - \mu(f) = \mu\left(\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} (g - f_n)\right) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(g - f_n) \\ = \mu(g) - \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(f_n)$$

since $\mu(g) < \infty$, the above gives

$$\mu(f) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(f_n) \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(f_n) \leq \mu(f)$$

so $\mu(f_n) \rightarrow \mu(f)$. ■

def let f, g be integrable on $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$.

- $\text{cov}(f, g) := \mathbb{E}[fg] - \mathbb{E}[f]\mathbb{E}[g]$

- $\text{var}(f) := \text{cov}(f, f)$.

