


Lebesgue Theory I

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Proposition: A subset O of \mathbb{R} is open if and only if it is union of at the most of countable number of disjoint open intervals.

Proof: If O is a countable union of open intervals then clearly O is open.

Conversely, suppose that O is an open set.

Let $x \in O$ then there exists y such that $(x,y) \subseteq O$

Let $b = \sup\{y \mid (x,y) \subseteq O\}$

Similarly, there exists z such that $(z,x) \subseteq O$

Let $a = \inf\{z \mid (z,x) \subseteq O\}$

Define

$I_x = (a,b)$ then $x \in I_x$

And $I_x \subseteq O$. Since if $w \in I_x$, $w \neq x$

Then either $w < x$ or $w > x$ and $a < w < b$.

Next, if $a \in O$, then $(a-\varepsilon, a+\varepsilon) \in O$ for some $\varepsilon > 0$

and so $(a-\varepsilon, x) \subseteq O$.

This contradicts the definition of a .

Therefore $a \notin O$. Similarly, $b \notin O$.

Now, $O = \bigcup_{x \in O} I_x$

To prove that the result we need to show that the collection $\{I_x \mid x \in O\}$ has at the most countable number of open intervals which are mutually disjoint.

To show that this collection consists of disjoint open intervals, we show that for $x, y \in O$, $x \neq y$ either $I_x = I_y$ or $I_x \cap I_y = \emptyset$

Let $I_x = (a,b)$ and $I_y = (c,d)$

Let $w \in I_x \cap I_y$

Then $a < w < d$ implies that $a < d$.

Since $a < d$ and $I_y = (c,d)$ and $a \notin I_y$, $a \leq c$.

Similarly, $c < w < b \Rightarrow c < b$ and so $c \leq a$

Therefore $c = a$.


Similar arguments imply that $b = d$.

Hence $I_x \cap I_y \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow I_x = I_y$

Thus the collection, $C = \{I_x \mid x \in O\}$ consists of disjoint open intervals.

Let q_x be a fixed rational number in I_x

Then $I_x \rightarrow q_x$ is one-one mapping from C to Q .



Therefore, C consists of at most countable numbers of distinct open intervals.

This completes the proof.

Lindelof of Covering

Preposition: Let $e = \{O_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ be a collection of open intervals in \mathbb{R} . Then e has a countable sub-collection $\{O_i \mid i = 1, 2, \dots\}$ such that

$$\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} O_\alpha = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} O_i$$

Proof: Let $x \in \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} O_\alpha$. Then $x \in O_\alpha$ for some $\alpha \in \Lambda$ and so there exists an open interval I_x such that

$$x \in I_x \subseteq O_\alpha$$

Let J_x be an open interval with rational end points such that $x \in J_x \subseteq I_x$.

$$\text{Therefore, } \bigcup_{\alpha} O_{\alpha} = \bigcup_{x \in \bigcup O_{\alpha}} J_x$$

Since, $\{J_x \mid x \in O_{\alpha}\}$ is a countable collection.

$$\text{Write } \{J_x \mid x \in O_{\alpha}\} = \{J_1, J_2, \dots\}$$

Let $O_k \in e$ such that $J_k \in O_k$

$$\text{Then } \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} O_{\alpha} = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} O_k$$

Unit III: Lebesgue Theory

Let I_1 be an interval in \mathbb{R} .

Define the length of I .

$$l(I) = \begin{cases} \infty & \text{if } I \text{ is unbounded} \\ \text{Sup } I - \text{Inf } I & \text{if } I \text{ is bounded} \end{cases}$$

Bounded intervals in \mathbb{R} are $[a,b]$, $(a,b]$, (a,b) , $[a,b)$

for $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$.

The length of these intervals is $b-a$.

We define (Lebesgue) outer Measure.

Let $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ and let $\{I_i \mid i= 1, 2, \dots\}$ be the set of open intervals in \mathbb{R} such that

$$A = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} I_i$$

Define $m^* A = \inf \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} l(I_i) \mid A \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} I_i \right\}$

Where the inf is taken over all at the most countable number of open intervals which cover I .

If $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$;

$$0 \leq m^*A < \infty$$

1) Outer Measure of A is non- negative.

2) If $A \subseteq B \subseteq \mathbb{R}$

$$m^*A \leq m^*B$$

(\because Every open covering of B is open covering of
A)

As set increases, its measure also increases.

$\Rightarrow m^*$ is non- negative and monotone function.

$$m^* : P(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{\infty\}$$

3) For any $x \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\text{Define } A+x = \{a+x \mid a \in A\}$$

Then, $m^*(A+x) = m^*A$,

$$l(I_n +x) = l(I_n)$$

If $\{I_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is an open covering of A .

Then, $\{I_n+x\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is an open covering of $A+x$.

$$A+x \subseteq \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n+x$$

$$m^*(A+x) \leq m^* \left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n+x \right)$$

$$= \sum_n l(I_n+x)$$

$$= \sum_n l(I_n)$$

4) $m^*A < \infty$ for any bounded set A .

Proof: Let $a = \inf A$ and $b = \sup A$

Then for any $\varepsilon > 0$,

$$A \subseteq (a - \varepsilon/2, b + \varepsilon/2)$$

And so by definition,

$$\begin{aligned} m^*A &\leq l(a - \varepsilon/2, b + \varepsilon/2) \\ &= b - a + \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

Then, $m^*A < \infty$

5) $m^*A = 0$ if A is countable.

Let $A = \{ a_1, a_2, \dots \}$

For any $\varepsilon > 0$, consider the intervals

$$I_n = (a_n - \varepsilon/2^{n+1}, a_n + \varepsilon/2^{n+1})$$

Then for each n , $a_n \in I_n$

$$\text{So, } A \subseteq \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} m^*A &\leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} l(I_n) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \varepsilon/2^n \\ &= \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

Hence for any $\varepsilon > 0$,

$$m^*A \leq \varepsilon$$

Since ε is arbitrary number,

We have, $m^*A = 0$

Definition: A set with outer measure zero is a null set.

Example: \mathbb{Q} is countable.

\therefore Its outer measure = 0

$m^*\mathbb{Q} = 0 \therefore$ **It is a null set**

(\mathbb{Q} is unbounded but it is having finite measure so
if a set is unbounded then measure may be finite
or not)

Metric set is said to separate if it has a countable dense subset.

An uncountable set with measure zero is Q and this set is called cantor set.

For cantor set,

$$m^*A \leq \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n \forall n$$

As $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$m^*A = 0$$



\therefore Cantor set has measure zero.

It is perfect so it is uncountable.

\therefore A Cantor set is compact perfect.

So, it is uncountable

And its measure is zero.

Example: Let I be an interval then $m^*I = l(I)$

Proof: Assume first that the result holds for
compact intervals

i.e. Intervals of type $[a,b]$, $a,b \in \mathbb{R}$

If I is bounded and

$a = \inf I$, $b = \sup I$

$a,b \in \mathbb{R}$, we have for any $\varepsilon > 0$

$$[a + \varepsilon/2, b - \varepsilon/2] \subseteq I \subseteq [a, b]$$

And so

$$m^* [a + \varepsilon/2, b - \varepsilon/2] \leq m^* I \leq m^* [a, b]$$

$$b - a - \varepsilon \leq m^* I \leq b - a$$

Since ε is arbitrary

$$\Rightarrow m^* I = b - a$$

$$m^* I = l(I)$$

If I is unbounded then for any positive integer n ,

I has an interval J such that $l(J) = n$

Thus $J \subseteq I$

$$\Rightarrow m^*I > m^*J = l(J) = n$$

Therefore

$$m^*I = \infty = l(I)$$

Let I be a compact interval and let $\varepsilon > 0$

Then \exists an open covering $\{ I_n \}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ such that

$$m^*(I) + \varepsilon > \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} l(I_n)$$

Since I is compact, this open covering has a finite subcovering.

Let $J_1 = (a_1, b_1), \dots, J_m = (a_m, b_m)$ be a subcovering of I such that

$$I \cap J_i \neq \emptyset \quad \forall i$$

And $a_1 < a_2 < \dots < a_m$

Since an interval is connected,

The intervals J_i 's are overlapping.

Therefore,

$$\sum_{n=1}^m l(J_n) \geq l(I) = b - a$$

Thus,

$$m^*(I) + \varepsilon \geq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} l(I_n)$$

$$\geq \sum_{n=1}^m l(J_n) \geq l(I)$$

Therefore, $m^*(I) \geq l(I)$

Also as $I = [a, b]$

$$\Rightarrow I \subseteq [a - \varepsilon/2, b + \varepsilon/2]$$

$$\Rightarrow m^*I \leq b - a = l(I)$$

$$\Rightarrow m^*I = l(I)$$

Outer Measure

Theorem: Let (A_n) be a sequence of subsets of

$$\mathbb{R} \text{ then } m^*\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} m^* A_n$$

Proof:

If $m^* A_n = \infty$ then it is obvious; if $m^* A_n < \infty$

Let $\varepsilon > 0$, for each n , \exists an open interval such that

$$A_n \subseteq \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} I_{n,k}$$

$$\text{And } m^* A_n + \varepsilon/2^n > \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} l(I_{n,k})$$

Now, $\{I_{n,k}\}_{n,k}$ is a sequence of open intervals such that

$$\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) \subseteq \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} I_{n,k}$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} m^* \left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} l(I_{n,k}) \\ &< \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} m^* A_n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varepsilon / 2^n \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} m^* A_n + \varepsilon$$

Hence, $m^* \left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \right) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} m^* A_n$

Example:

On open interval (0,1) for $x, y \in (0,1)$ define

$x \sim y$ if $x - y \in \mathbb{Q}$.

Then \sim is an equivalence relation.

Let A be the set consisting of exactly one element from each equivalence class.

Then $A \subseteq (0,1)$

And so $m^*A < \infty$ ($\because A$ is bdd)

A_1, A_2 are equivalence classes.

Therefore,

$$\bigcup A_i = (0,1)$$

$(0,1)$ is uncountable

Since $m^*(0,1) = 1 \neq 0$

Therefore, by theorem

$(0, 1)$ is uncountable.

$(0,1) = A_1 \cup A_2 \dots$

Each of A_1, A_2 are countables

Collection of sets \rightarrow points both uncountable

Let $D = (-1, 1) \cap \mathbb{Q}$

Let $B = D + A$

Since D is countable with $D = \{r_1, r_2, \dots\}$

So that

$$B = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (r_n + A)$$

$$(0, 1) \subseteq B \subseteq (-1, 2)$$

Thus, $1 \leq m^*B \leq 3$

Let $A_n = r_n + A$

For $n \neq m$,

$$A_n \cap A_m = \phi$$

Let $x \in A_n \cap A_m$

$$x = r_n + a = r_m + a'$$

r_n and r_m are rationals.

So a and a' differ by rational.

But we are taking one element from each
equivalence class and a and a' are equivalent.

$$\Rightarrow a = a'$$

$$\Rightarrow a, a' \in A$$

$$\Rightarrow r_n = r_m, n=m$$

Also $m^* A_n = m^* A$

Now (A_n) is sequence of disjoint and distinct sets
with finite measure

Such that $B = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$

For these sets,

$$m^* B \neq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} m^* A_n$$

First note that $m^*A \neq 0$

As then $m^*B = 0$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} m^* A_n = \infty$$

But, $B = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$

m^*B is finite

Therefore,

$$m^*B \neq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} m^* A_n$$

A subset E of \mathbb{R} is called Lebesgue Measurable

$$\text{if } m^*A = m^*(A \cap E) + m^*(A \cap E^c)$$

For every $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$,

(I) If E is measurable then so is E^c

Since for $A, B \subseteq \mathbb{R}$

$$m^*(A \cup B) \leq m^*A + m^*B$$

$$A = (A \cap E) \cup (A \cap E^c)$$

$$\text{So, } m^*A \leq m^*(A \cap E) + m^*(A \cap E^c)$$

For showing that E is measurable, we need to check that

$$m^*A \geq m^*(A \cap E) + m^*(A \cap E^c)$$

(II) If $m^* E = 0$ then E is measurable.

Let $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$

Since $E \cap A \subseteq E$

$$m^* (A \cap E) = 0$$

Now, $(A \cap E^c) \subseteq A$

$$\Rightarrow m^* (A \cap E^c) \leq m^* A$$

Thus, $m^*A \geq m^*(A \cap E) + m^*(A \cap E^c)$

Hence E is measurable.

(III) If E is measurable then so is $E+x$ for any

$x \in \mathbb{R}$

$\Rightarrow m^*A = m^*(A-x) = m^*((A-x) \cap E) +$

$m^*((A-x) \cap E^c)$

$$= m^* ((A-x) \cap E + x) + m^* ((A-x) \cap E^c + x)$$

$$= m^* (A \cap E + x) + m^* (A \cap (E + x)^c)$$

Hence,

$E + x$ is measurable.

(IV) If E and F are measurable then $E \cup F$ is also measurable.

\Rightarrow If E, F are measurable then,

$$E \cap F = (E^c \cup F^c)^c$$

$$E \setminus F = E \cap F^c$$

E, F are measurable $\Rightarrow E \cup F$ is also measurable.

To prove this, we need to verify that

$$m^*A = m^* (A \cap (E \cup F)) + m^* (A \cap (E \cup F)^c)$$

For any $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$,

$$m^*A = m^* (A \cap (E \cup F)) + m^* (A \cap (E^c \cap F^c))$$

Now,

$$(A \cap (E \cup F)) \cap E = A \cap E$$

$$(A \cap (E \cup F) \cap E^c = A \cap F \cap E^c$$

$$m^*A = m^*(A \cap E) + m^*(A \cap E^c)$$

$$= m^*(A \cap E) + m^*(A \cap E^c \cap F) +$$

$$m^*(A \cap E^c \cap F^c)$$

$$= m^*(A \cap (E \cup F) \cap E) + m^*(A \cap F \cap E^c)$$

$$+ m^*(A \cap (E \cup F)^c)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= m^* (A \cap (E \cup F) \cap E) + \\ &m^* (A \cap (E \cup F) \cap E^c) + m^* (A \cap (E \cup F)^c) \\ &= m^* (A \cap (E \cup F)) + m^* (A \cap (E \cup F)^c) \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$m^* (A \cap (E \cup F)) = m^* (A \cap E) + m^* (A \cap F \cap E^c)$$

Provided E is measurable.

If $E \cap F = \phi$, E, F measurable

Then $F \subseteq E^c$

$$m^*(A \cap (E \cup F)) = m^*(A \cap E) + m^*(A \cap F)$$

In particular,

If $A = E \cup F$

$$m^*(E \cup F) = m^*E + m^*F$$

Thus, we can say

If E and F are measurable and $E \cap F = \phi$

Then,

$$m^* (A \cap (E \cup F)) = m^* (A \cap E) + m^* (A \cap F)$$

$$\forall A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{And, } m^* (E \cup F) = m^*(E) + m^* (F)$$

Now, inductively, if E_1, E_2, \dots, E_n are mutually disjoint measurable sets then,

$$m^*\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n m^* E_i$$

