

Last time

• Simple function $f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^N a_n \chi_{A_n} \rightsquigarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(x) dx = \sum_{n=1}^N a_n m(A_n)$

Non-negative measurable function $f \rightsquigarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(x) dx = \sup \left\{ \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} g(x) dx : 0 \leq g \leq f, g \text{ is simple} \right\}$

Basic properties • $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (c_1 f_1 + c_2 f_2) dx = c_1 \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_1(x) dx + c_2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_2(x) dx$

• $f_1 \leq f_2 \Rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_1(x) dx \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_2(x) dx$

• $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(x) dx = 0 \Leftrightarrow f = 0 \text{ a.e.}$

• $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(x+y) dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(x) dx$

• We say f is integrable if $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(x) dx < +\infty$

• A simple function f is integrable $\Leftrightarrow f$ is finite a.e., and $m(\text{supp } f) < +\infty$

• A non-negative measurable function f is integrable $\Rightarrow f$ is finite a.e.

Today: Convergence of integrals

1. Convergence in non-negative theory

• Recall: In Lecture 4, we proved monotone convergence of measurable sets.

$$A_1 \subset A_2 \subset A_3 \subset \dots \Rightarrow m\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m(A_n)$$

~~A consequence of the theorem~~

We can translate this to properties of characteristic functions χ_{A_n} 's:

$$\chi_{A_1} \leq \chi_{A_2} \leq \chi_{A_3} \leq \dots \Rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \chi_{A_n} dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \chi_{A_n} dx$$

It turns out that this is true in general:

Thm. (Levi's monotone convergence theorem)

Let f_n be a monotonely increasing sequence of nonnegative measurable functions.
 $0 \leq f_1 \leq f_2 \leq f_3 \leq \dots \leq f_n \leq \dots$

Then $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_n(x) dx$ [Note: Both limits exist!]

Proof: • Denote $f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) (= \sup_n f_n(x))$. Then $f_n \leq f \Rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_n(x) dx \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(x) dx$

So we get $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_n(x) dx \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(x) dx$

• To prove the converse, let's apply our favorite ε -trick.

Take any simple function $0 \leq h \leq f$, and define $A_n = \{x : f_n(x) \geq (1-\varepsilon)h(x)\}$.

Note that $f_n \leq f_{n+1} \Rightarrow A_n \subseteq A_{n+1}$. So we get an increasing sequence of sets $A_1 \subset A_2 \subset A_3 \subset \dots \subset A_n \subset \dots$

The fact $h \leq f = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n$ implies $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n = \mathbb{R}^d$.

Write $h(x) = \sum a_i \chi_{B_i}$.

It follows that $\sum a_i \chi_{B_i}$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{A_n} h(x) dx &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^N a_i m(B_i \cap A_n) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^N a_i m(B_i \cap \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n) \\ &= \int_{\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n} h(x) dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} h(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_n(x) dx \geq (1-\epsilon) \int_{A_n} h(x) dx \geq (1-\epsilon) \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} h(x) dx \rightarrow (1-\epsilon) \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} h(x) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_n(x) dx \geq (1-\epsilon) \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} h(x) dx$$

Taking supremum over h , we get

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_n(x) dx \geq (1-\epsilon) \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(x) dx.$$

Let $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$, we get

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_n(x) dx \geq \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(x) dx. \quad \square$$

Here is how you get the proof:

WANT: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_n(x) dx \geq \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(x) dx$

ϵ -trick $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_n(x) dx \geq (1-\epsilon) \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(x) dx$

def. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_n(x) dx \geq (1-\epsilon) \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} h(x) dx$

where $0 \leq h \leq f$, h is simple

But we only have a

weaker inequality

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_n(x) dx \geq \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (1-\epsilon) h(x) dx$$

So we need to introduce $A_n = \{x: f_n \geq (1-\epsilon)f\}$

and try to prove $\int_{A_n} h(x) dx \rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} h(x) dx$

So we need monotonicity of A_n and need

$$\mathbb{R}^d = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$$

Cor. (Integration by terms) For any sequence of non-negative measurable functions f_n , one has

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x) dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_n(x) dx.$$

~~[In particular, $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (f+g) dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f dx + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} g dx$. So we complete the proof of linearity.]~~

Proof: $\sum_{n=1}^N f_n(x) =: F_N(x)$ is an increasing sequence. So by monotone convergence,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x) dx &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} F_N(x) dx = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} F_N(x) dx = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=1}^N \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_n(x) dx \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_n(x) dx. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Cor. (linearity) $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (f+g) dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f dx + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} g dx.$

[As a consequence, $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \sum_{n=1}^N f_n(x) dx = \sum_{n=1}^N \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_n(x) dx$]

Proof: Pick monotone sequence of simple functions, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \phi_n = f$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \psi_n = g$, s.t.

$$0 \leq \phi_1 \leq \phi_2 \leq \dots \leq \phi_n \leq \dots \leq f,$$

$$0 \leq \psi_1 \leq \psi_2 \leq \dots \leq \psi_n \leq \dots \leq g.$$

$$\text{Then } 0 \leq \phi_1 + \psi_1 \leq \phi_2 + \psi_2 \leq \dots \leq \phi_n + \psi_n \leq \dots \leq f+g.$$

So by monotone convergence theorem, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\phi_n + \psi_n) = f+g.$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (f+g) dx &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (\phi_n + \psi_n) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \phi_n dx + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \psi_n dx \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \phi_n dx + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \psi_n dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f dx + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} g dx. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

(Cor. For non-negative f , we can define $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(x) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_n(x) dx$ where $0 \leq f_1 \leq f_2 \leq \dots \nearrow f$)

Cor. Suppose $A_n \in \mathcal{L}$, $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$ ($i \neq j$). Then for any non-negative measurable function f ,

$$\int_{\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n} f(x) dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{A_n} f(x) dx.$$

Proof.
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{A_n} f(x) dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(x) \chi_{A_n}(x) dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(x) \chi_{A_n}(x) dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(x) \cdot \chi_{\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n}(x) dx = \int_{\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n} f(x) dx. \quad \square$$

So: $\mu(A) := \int_A f dx$ defines a measure $\mu: \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

In general, if we are given a sequence of non-negative measurable functions, f_n , it is possible that they don't converge. In this case we have

Thm (Fatou lemma) For any sequence of non-negative measurable functions f_n ,

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n dx \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_n(x) dx,$$

Proof. For every $j \geq k$, we have $\inf_{n \geq k} f_n \leq f_j$. So we get

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \inf_{n \geq k} f_n dx \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_j(x) dx$$

Now the sequence $g_k := \inf_{n \geq k} f_n$ is a monotone increasing sequence of non-negative measurable functions, and $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} g_k(x) = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n$. So by monotone convergence theorem,

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} g_k(x) dx = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} g_k(x) dx$$

$$\leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \inf_{j \geq k} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_j(x) dx = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_n(x) dx. \quad \square$$

Using additivity, one can also prove the following description of Lebesgue integral that we introduced in Lect 1.

Prop. Let f be an a.e. finite and measurable function on A , where $m(A) < +\infty$. Then

$$\int_A f(x) dx = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (t_{k+1} - t_k) m(\{x: f(x) \geq t_k\}) \quad (= \int_0^{\infty} m(\{x: f(x) \geq t\}) dt)$$

Proof. Let $A_k = \{x: f(x) \geq t_k\}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} t_k (m(A_k) - m(A_{k+1})) &\leq \int_{A_k \setminus A_{k+1}} f(x) dx \leq t_{k+1} m(A_k \setminus A_{k+1}) \\ \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} t_k (m(A_k) - m(A_{k+1})) &\leq \int_A f(x) dx \leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} t_{k+1} (m(A_k) - m(A_{k+1})) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (t_{k+1} - t_k) m(A_k) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (t_{k+1} - t_k) m(A_{k+1}) + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (t_{k+1} - t_k) m(A_k) \geq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (t_{k+1} - t_k) m(A_k) - \delta m(A). \end{aligned}$$