

## Chapter 1: Measure and Random Variables (JAW Ch 0)

### 1.1 Measurable spaces

- (i)  $\Omega$  a fixed non-empty set.  $\mathcal{A}$  non-empty class of subsets.
- (ii) A field: closed under complements and finite unions.
- (iii) A  $\sigma$ -field: closed under complements and countable unions.

**Note:**  $\cap_1^\infty A_i = (\cup_1^\infty A_i^c)^c$

**Examples:**

- (a)  $\Omega$  finite or countable.  $2^\Omega =$  set of all subsets of  $\Omega$
- (b)  $\mathcal{C} =$  some set of subsets of  $\Omega$ ,  $\sigma(\mathcal{C}) =$  smallest  $\sigma$ -field containing  $\mathcal{C}$ .
- (c)  $\Omega = \mathfrak{R}$ :  $\mathcal{C}$  the set of half-left-open intervals  $(a, b]$  (including  $(c, \infty)$ ).  $\mathcal{B} = \sigma(\mathcal{C}) \equiv$  Borel sets in  $\mathfrak{R}$ .
- (d)  $\Omega$  a metric space, metric  $\rho$ .  $\mathcal{C}$  the open sets in  $\Omega$ .  $\mathcal{B} = \sigma(\mathcal{C}) \equiv$  Borel sets in  $\Omega$ .

## 1.2 Measures and probability

(i) Measure  $\mu : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ , countably additive, with  $\mu(\Phi) = 0$

(ii) Measure space is triple  $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$

(iii) Finite measure:  $\mu(\Omega) < \infty$ .

Probability Measure:  $\mu(\Omega) = 1$

$\sigma$ -finite measure:  $\Omega = \cup_1^\infty F_i, F_i \in \mathcal{A}, \mu(F_i) < \infty$

(For example, Borel sets in  $\mathfrak{R}$ .)

(iv) Caratheodory-Hahn Extension Theorem – ( $\sigma$ -finite) measure  $\mu$  on field  $\mathcal{C}$  can be extended to (unique  $\sigma$ -finite) measure on  $\sigma(\mathcal{C})$ .

(v) Complete measure space:

$\{B \subset A, A \in \mathcal{A}, \mu(A) = 0\} \Rightarrow B \in \mathcal{A} (\mu(B) = 0)$

(vi) Completing spaces:

$\mathcal{A}^* = \{A \cup N; A \in \mathcal{A}, N \subset B, B \in \mathcal{A}, \mu(B) = 0\}$

$\mu^*(A \cup N) = \mu(A)$

(vii) Lebesgue-Stieltjes measure: Measure  $\mu$  on  $\mathfrak{R}$  assigning finite values to finite intervals.

(viii) Generalized df: function  $F$  on  $\mathfrak{R}$ , finite, increasing and right-continuous.

(xi) Correspondence Theorem: (1-1) correspondence between L-S measure  $\mu$  on Borel sets and generalised dfs:  $\mu((a, b]) = F(b) - F(a)$ .

(x) For a probability measure  $P$  on  $\mathfrak{R}$ :

A df  $F$ : increasing, rt. cts., fn on  $\mathfrak{R}, F(-\infty) = 0, F(\infty) = 1$ .

Correspondence theorem gives (1-1) relationship between  $P$ s and  $F$ s:  $P((a, b]) = F(b) - F(a)$ .

### 1.3 Measurable functions and random variables (JAW 0.7)

(i)  $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$  measurable if  $X^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{A}$  for  $B$  Borel in  $\mathfrak{R}$ .  
(Note: Sufficient to check  $B$  of form  $(x, \infty)$ ).

(ii)  $X_1, \dots, X_n \dots$  measurable  $\Rightarrow \sup(X_n), \inf(X_n), \overline{\lim}(X_n), \underline{\lim}(X_n), -X_n$  are measurable (also  $\lim(X_n)$  if  $\exists$ ).

(iii) Simple function:  $X(\omega) = \sum_1^m a_i I_{A_i}(\omega)$  where  $A_i$  are disjoint,  $A_i \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $a_i \in \mathfrak{R}$ ,  $m < \infty$ .

(iv) Any measurable  $X \geq 0$  is limit of increasing sequence of simple functions.

**Proof:** by construction of simple  $X_n \nearrow X$ ,

based on  $A_0 = I(X > n)$ ,  $A_{n,k} = I(X \in ((k-1)2^{-n}, k2^{-n}])$ .

(v)  $X$  measurable iff it is limit of simple functions.

**Proof:** use (ii) and (iv).

(vi)  $X$  and  $Y$  measurable,  $g$  measurable  $\Rightarrow X + Y, X - Y, XY, X/Y, X^+ = \max(X, 0), X^- = \max(0, -X), |X|$  are measurable. (Proof: use (v))

(vii)  $g$  a measurable function  $\mathfrak{R} \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$ ,  $X$  measurable  $\Rightarrow g(X)$  measurable since  $(gX)^{-1}(B) = X^{-1}(g^{-1}(B))$ .

$g$  continuous  $\Rightarrow g$  measurable, since  $g^{-1}(\text{open})$  is open.

## 1.4 Integration and integrability (JAW 0.8-9)

(i) For  $X$  simple,  $X = \sum_1^m a_i I_{A_i}$ , define  $\int X d\mu = \sum_1^m a_i \mu(A_i)$ . For  $X \geq 0$ ,  $X$  measurable,  $\exists X_n$  simple,  $X_n \nearrow X$ , define  $\int X d\mu = \lim_n (\int X_n d\mu)$ .

For  $X = X^+ - X^-$ , define  $\int X d\mu = \int X^+ d\mu - \int X^- d\mu$  provided at least one of these  $< \infty$ .

If  $|\int X d\mu| < \infty$ ,  $X$  is integrable. (Equiv.  $\int |X| d\mu < \infty$ )

(ii) Then for integrable  $X, Y$ ,  $\int (X + Y) d\mu = \int X d\mu + \int Y d\mu$ ,  $X \geq Y \Rightarrow \int X d\mu \geq \int Y d\mu$ , etc.

(iii) Three important theorems:

**MCT:**  $0 \leq X_n \nearrow X$ , then  $\int X_n d\mu \rightarrow \int X d\mu$ .

**Fatou's lemma:**  $0 \leq X_n$ , then  $\int \liminf X_n d\mu \leq \liminf (\int X_n d\mu)$ .

**DCT:**  $|X_n| \leq Y$ ,  $Y$  integrable, and  $X_n \rightarrow X$  except perhaps on a set  $N$  with  $\mu(N) = 0$ , then  $\int |X_n - X| d\mu \rightarrow 0$  and  $\lim \int X_n d\mu = \int X d\mu$ .

(iv) Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, P)$  be a probability space.

A real-valued random variable  $X$  is a finite measurable function  $\Omega \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$ . For  $B$  a Borel set in  $\mathfrak{R}$ ,

$P_X(B) \equiv P(X \in B) = P(\{\omega \in \Omega : X(\omega) \in B\})$ . The associated df is  $F_X(-\infty) = 0$ ,  $F_X(\infty) = 1$ ,  $F_X(x) = P_X((-\infty, x])$ ,

Then  $(\mathfrak{R}, \mathcal{B}, P_X)$  is a probability space.

**Theorem of the unconscious statistician:**

$$\int_{\Omega} g(X(\omega)) dP = \int_{\mathfrak{R}} g(x) dP_X \equiv \int_{\mathfrak{R}} g(x) dF_X(x).$$

## 1.5 Absolute continuity and densities. JAW 0.11

(i)  $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  a measure space.  $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$  measurable fn.,  $X \geq 0$ . Define  $\nu(A) = \int_A X d\mu \equiv \int_{\Omega} X I_A d\mu$ .

Then  $\nu$  is also a measure, and is finite iff  $X$  is integrable.

(ii) We say,  $\nu$  has density  $X$  w.r.t.  $\mu$

(iii)  $\mu(A) = 0 \Rightarrow \nu(A) = 0$ :  $\nu \ll \mu$  ( $\nu$  is absolutely continuous w.r.t.  $\mu$ , or  $\mu$  dominates  $\nu$ ).

(iv) Radon-Nikodym theorem

$(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  a measure space.  $\mu$   $\sigma$ -finite.  $\nu \ll \mu$ .

Then  $\exists$  measurable  $X \geq 0$  s.t.  $\nu(A) = \int_A X d\mu$  for all  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ .

Further,  $X$  is unique a.e. ( $\mu$ ).

Write  $X = \frac{d\nu}{d\mu} \equiv$  Radon-Nikodym derivative of  $\nu$  w.r.t.  $\mu$ .

(v) Change of variable theorem

$(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$ ,  $\nu \ll \mu$  as above.  $Z$  measurable and  $\int Z d\nu$  well defined. Then, for all  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $\int_A Z d\nu = \int_A Z \frac{d\nu}{d\mu} d\mu$ .

Proof: (see JAW 0.11-12):

$Z = I_B$ ,  $Z$  simple,  $Z \geq 0$ ,  $Z = Z^+ - Z^-$ .

(vi) Example: real-valued vector random variables:

Probability space is  $(\mathfrak{R}^n, \mathcal{B}_n, P)$ .

We assume  $P$  has a density  $f$  w.r.t.  $\sigma$ -finite measure  $\mu$ .

If  $\mu$  is Lebesgue measure of  $\mathfrak{R}^n$ :  $f$  is pdf.

If  $\mu$  is counting measure on countable set,  $f$  is pmf.

## 1.6 Product spaces and product measures. (JAW 0.13)

### (i) Product measures

Let  $(X, \mathcal{X}, \mu)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{Y}, \nu)$  be  $\sigma$ -finite measure spaces.

Let  $A \in \mathcal{X}, B \in \mathcal{Y}$ :  $A \times B \equiv \{(x, y); x \in A, y \in B\}$ .

Define  $\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \equiv \sigma(\{A \times B : A \in \mathcal{X}, B \in \mathcal{Y}\})$

Let  $\pi(A \times B) = \mu(A)\nu(B)$  for “measurable rectangle”  $A \times B$ .  
 $\pi$  is “product measure” on  $\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}$ .

### (ii) Fubini’s Theorem

Suppose  $f : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is  $\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}$  measurable. Then  
 $\int_{\mathcal{Y}} f(x, y) d\nu(y)$  is  $\mathcal{X}$ -measurable.

and  $\int_{\mathcal{X}} f(x, y) d\mu(x)$  is  $\mathcal{Y}$ -measurable.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}} f(x, y) d\pi(x, y) &= \int_{\mathcal{X}} \left( \int_{\mathcal{Y}} f(x, y) d\nu(y) \right) d\mu(x) \\ &= \int_{\mathcal{Y}} \left( \int_{\mathcal{X}} f(x, y) d\mu(x) \right) d\nu(y). \end{aligned}$$

If  $f$  is s.t.  $\int |f| d\pi < \infty$ , then above is true even if  $f$  is not  $\geq 0$ .