

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx$$

$$U \subset \mathbb{R}, \quad \chi_U(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in U \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \chi_U(x) dx = \mu(U) \quad \text{measure of } U$$

μ can be defined only on certain subsets of \mathbb{R} ,
the so-called measurable sets

Work with at most countable set operations

Def: Let E be a set.

$\mathcal{M} \subset \mathcal{P}(E)$ is a σ -algebra if

(i) $\emptyset \in \mathcal{M}$

(ii) $A \in \mathcal{M} \Rightarrow CA \in \mathcal{M}$

(iii) $(A_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, A_n \in \mathcal{M}$
 $\Rightarrow \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \in \mathcal{M}$.

The elements of \mathcal{M} are called measurable sets

Def: A measure μ is a mapping

$$\mu: \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0^+ \cup \{\infty\}$$

with the following properties:

(i) $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$

(ii) σ -additivity: $(A_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, A_n \in \mathcal{M}$
and pairwise disjoint

$$\Rightarrow \mu\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_n)$$

Def: A function $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is called measurable if $f^{-1}(U) \in \mathcal{M} \quad \forall U \subset \mathbb{R}$ open

For measurable function,

$\int_E |f(x)| d\mu(x) \in \mathbb{R}_0^+ \cup \{\infty\}$ is well-defined.

If this integral is finite, also

$\int_E f(x) d\mu(x) \in \mathbb{R}$ is well-defined

Such functions are called integrable

$L^1(E, d\mu)$ vector space of all integrable functions

$$\|f\|_{L^1} := \int_E |f(x)| d\mu(x)$$

$$L^2(E, d\mu) := \left\{ f \text{ measurable, } \int_E |f(x)|^2 d\mu(x) < \infty \right\}$$

$$\langle f, g \rangle_{L^2} := \int_E \overline{f(x)} g(x) d\mu(x)$$

Let (E, \mathcal{O}) be a topological space.

The Borel algebra \mathcal{B} is the smallest σ -algebra with $\mathcal{O} \subset \mathcal{B}$.

$\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \text{sets which can be generated from } \mathcal{O} \text{ with at most countable set operations} \right\}$

The elements of \mathcal{B} are the Borel sets

A measure $\mu: \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0^+ \cup \{\infty\}$ is a Borel measure.