

9.2. Absolute Continuity.

Definition 9.13. Let μ, ν be two measures. We say ν is absolutely continuous with respect to μ (notation $\nu \ll \mu$) if whenever $\mu(A) = 0$ we have $\nu(A) = 0$.

Example 9.14. Let $g \geq 0$ and define $\nu(A) = \int_A g d\mu$. (Notation: Say $d\nu = g d\mu$.)

Theorem 9.15 (Radon-Nikodym). If μ, ν are two positive measures such that ν is σ -finite and $\nu \ll \mu$, then there exists a measurable function g such that $0 \leq g < \infty$ almost everywhere and $d\nu = g d\mu$.

Last time: (1) Case I: $\nu(X) < \infty$. (& $\mu(X) < \infty$)

(2) $\mathcal{F} = \{f \mid f \geq 0 \text{ \& \forall } A, \int_A f d\mu \leq \nu(A)\}$

(3) Note if $f_1, f_2 \in \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow f_1 \vee f_2 \in \mathcal{F}$.

(4) $\Rightarrow \exists$ a seq $(f_n) \nearrow \int_X f_n d\mu \rightarrow \sup_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \int_X f d\mu$ (~~is~~ $< \nu(X) < \infty$)

by ③ can ensure $f_n \leq f_{n+1}$

⑤ let $g = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n$.

Claim $dv = g d\mu$

⑥ let $d\lambda = dv - g d\mu$ (i.e. $\lambda(A) = \nu(A) - \int_A g d\mu$)

Note: $g \in \mathcal{F}$ (M.C.) $\Rightarrow \lambda$ is a +ve meas.

⑦ NTS $\lambda = 0$. Will show $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \lambda \leq \varepsilon \mu$. (\Rightarrow QED)

Note $\lambda - \varepsilon \mu$ is a signed measure. Let $X = P \cup N$ be the Hahn decomposition of $\lambda - \varepsilon \mu$.

Claim: $g + \varepsilon \mathbb{1}_P \in \mathcal{F}$.

\hookrightarrow Pf: NTS $\forall A$, $\int_A (g + \varepsilon \mathbb{1}_P) d\mu \leq v(A)$

$$\int_A (g + \varepsilon \mathbb{1}_P) d\mu = v(A) - \lambda(A) + \varepsilon \mu(A \cap P)$$

$$= v(A) - \underbrace{\lambda(A \cap N)}_{\geq 0} - \underbrace{(\lambda(A \cap P) - \varepsilon \mu(A \cap P))}_{\geq 0 \text{ (}\varepsilon \text{ is +ve for } \lambda - \varepsilon \mu)}$$

$$\leq v(A)$$

\Rightarrow Claim.

\Rightarrow ~~Claim~~ $g + \varepsilon \mathbb{1}_P \in \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow \mu(P) = 0 \xrightarrow{\text{a.e.}} v(P) = 0$

$$\int g d\mu = \sup_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \int f d\mu$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda(P) \neq 0 \Rightarrow (\lambda - \varepsilon\mu)(P) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow \lambda - \varepsilon\mu$ is a -ve meas

$$\Rightarrow \lambda \leq \varepsilon\mu. \Rightarrow \text{QED.}$$

Uniqueness: If $d\nu = g d\mu = h d\mu \Rightarrow g = h$ a.e.

Pf: $\forall A, \int_A g d\mu = \int_A h d\mu \Rightarrow \int_A (g-h) d\mu = 0 \forall A.$

Choose $A = \{g-h > 0\} \Rightarrow \int (g-h) d\mu = 0 \Rightarrow \mu\{g > h\} = 0$

By $\mu\{g < h\} = 0 \Rightarrow g = h$ a.e. $\{g > h\}$

Case II: Write $X = \cup F_n$, $\mu(F_n) < \infty$, $\nu(F_n) < \infty$.

W.L. assume $F_n \subseteq F_{n+1}$.

By Case I, $\exists g_n \uparrow \forall A$, $\nu(A \cap F_n) = \int_{A \cap F_n} g_n d\mu$

By uniqueness $g_{n+1}|_{F_n} = g_n$

Set $g = \lim g_n$ (is an inc. lim).

$$\nu(A) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \nu(A \cap F_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{A \cap F_n} g d\mu = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_A \frac{1}{F_n} g d\mu.$$

$\stackrel{MC}{=} \int_A g d\mu. \quad \square \text{ QED.}$

Theorem 9.16. Let μ, ν be positive measures such that ν is σ -finite. There exists a unique pair of measures $(\underline{\nu}_{ac}, \underline{\nu}_s)$ such that $\underline{\nu}_{ac} \ll \mu$, $\underline{\nu}_s \perp \mu$, and $\nu = \underline{\nu}_{ac} + \underline{\nu}_s$.

Pf: Case I : ν finite

Let $\mathcal{N} = \{A \mid \mu(A) = 0\}$ &

Consider $\sup \{ \nu(A) \mid A \in \mathcal{N} \}$, & find $N_k \nearrow \nu(N_k) \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{A \in \mathcal{N}} \nu(A)$

let $N = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} N_k$. & $\nu_s(A) = \nu(A \cap N)$, $\nu_{ac}(A) = \nu(A \cap N^c)$.

Claim is

- (1) $\nu_s \perp \mu$.
- (2) $\nu_{ac} \ll \mu$.

Pf of ① : $\nu_S(N^c) = 0$ & $\mu(N) = 0 \Rightarrow$ ①.

Pf of ② : NTS $\mu(A) = 0 \Rightarrow \nu_{ac}(A) = 0$

i.e. NTS $\mu(A) = 0 \Rightarrow \nu(A \cap N^c) = 0$

$$\nu(N) \leq \nu(A \cup N) \leq \nu(N) \quad \left(\because \nu(N) = \sup_{\mu(B)=0} \nu(B) \right)$$

& $\mu(A \cup N) = 0$

($\because \nu$ is finite) $\Rightarrow \nu(A - N) = 0 \Rightarrow \nu(A \cap N^c) = 0$ Q.E.D.