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Lecture 3

Aim: Create a good theory of measure and measurable sets.

**Proposition 15** Suppose that  $u, v : (X, \mathcal{M}) \to (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$  are measurable and that  $\Phi : \mathbb{R}^2 \to Y$  is continuous. Then the function

$$h: (X, \mathcal{M}) \to (Y, \mathcal{B}(Y)), x \mapsto h(x) = \Phi(u(x), v(x))$$
 is measurable.

Picture

**proof** It is sufficient to show that the map

$$f: (X, \mathcal{M}) \to (\mathbb{R}^2, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^2)), x \mapsto f(x) = (u(x), v(x))$$

is measurable. Then  $h = \Phi \circ f$  is a composition of measurable functions and therefore measurable. To see that f is measurable we recall that the open rectangles with endpoints in  $\mathbb{Q}^2$  form a countable basis  $\beta$  of the topology of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . By **Lemma 14** it is therefore sufficient to show that for all  $R = (a_1, a_2) \times (b_1, b_2) \in \beta$  we have that  $f^{-1}(R) \in \mathcal{M}$ . But

In total f is a measurable function which implies that  $h = \Phi \circ f$  is measurable.

**Corollary 16** Suppose that  $f, g: (X, \mathcal{M}) \to \mathbb{R}$  are measurable. Then

 $f \pm g$ ,  $f \cdot g$  and  $f + i \cdot g$  are measurable.

**proof** (With u = f, v = g) we take the continuous functions

Then the corollary follows from our proposition.

**Corollary 17** Suppose that  $f, g: (X, \mathcal{M}) \to \mathbb{C}$  are measurable. Then

|f| ,  $\operatorname{Re}(f)$  ,  $\operatorname{Im}(f)$  and  $f\pm g$  ,  $f\cdot g$  are measurable.

**proof Idea:** These are consequences of **Remark 11** and **Proposition 15**: For |f|,  $\operatorname{Re}(f)$  and  $\operatorname{Im}(f)$  we note that

$$z \to |z|, z \to \operatorname{Re}(z)$$
 and  $z \to \operatorname{Im}(z)$ 

are continuous functions. Hence  $|\cdot| \circ f$ , Re  $\circ f$  and Im  $\circ f$  are each the composition of a measurable with a continuous function. Hence these composition are measurable by **Remark 11**.

We prove the statement for f - g and  $f \cdot g$  in a similar fashion.

#### Chapter 1.3 The extended real line

Aim: We want to allow real valued functions to take the values  $+\infty$  or  $-\infty$  so if  $(f_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  is a sequence of functions we can consider

$$f(x) := \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} f_n(x)$$

without fussing.

**Definition 1** The extended real line  $\overline{\mathbb{R}} = [-\infty, \infty]$  is the topological space  $\mathbb{R} \cup \{\pm \infty\}$  with the topology  $\mathcal{T}$  whose basis  $\overline{\beta}$  are the sets

 $(a,b) \ , \ [-\infty,a) = \{-\infty\} \cup (-\infty,a) \ , \ (b,+\infty) \cup \{+\infty\} = (b,+\infty], \ {\rm where} \ \ a,b \in \mathbb{R} \ .$ 

**Remark** By taking  $a, b \in \mathbb{Q}$  in the above definition, we see that  $\overline{\mathbb{R}}$  is second countable.

**Lemma 2** A function  $f: (X, \mathcal{M}) \to \mathbb{R}$  is measurable, if and only if

 $f^{-1}((a, +\infty]) \in \mathcal{M}$  for all  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**proof** " $\Rightarrow$ " Clearly, as f is measurable and the set  $(a, +\infty] \subset \mathcal{T}$  for all  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  we know that  $f^{-1}((a, +\infty)) \in \mathcal{M}$  for all  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ .

" $\Leftarrow$ " We have to show that  $f^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{M}$  for any element B of the basis  $\bar{\beta}$ . Then by Lemma 14 and as  $\mathbb{R}$  is second countable, we know that f is measurable.

We first prove this for the sets of the form  $[-\infty, a]$ :

Then we prove it for open intervals  $[-\infty, a)$  using countable unions. We know that  $[-\infty, b) =$ 

Finally,  $f^{-1}((a, b)) = f^{-1}([-\infty, b)) \cap f^{-1}((a, +\infty)) \in \mathcal{M}$ . Hence our statement is true.

#### lim inf and lim sup

We recall the following definitions from real analysis:

Let  $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset \overline{\mathbb{R}}$  be a sequence. For  $k \geq 1$  consider the new sequence

$$b_k = \sup_{n \ge k} a_n = \sup\{a_k, a_{k+1}, a_{k+2}, a_{k+3}, \ldots\}$$

Then  $b_{k+1} \leq b_k$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and therefore  $\lim_k b_k = \inf_{k \in \mathbb{N}} b_k \in \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ . We define

$$\limsup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n \stackrel{\text{Def.}}{=} \lim_{k \to \infty} b_k = \inf_{k \in \mathbb{N}} b_k.$$

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In a similar fashion we define

$$\liminf_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n \stackrel{\text{Def.}}{=} \lim_{k \to \infty} \inf_{k \ge n} a_n.$$

**Example** Sketch the sequence  $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ , where  $a_n := \frac{\cos(n)}{n}$ . Then sketch the sequences  $(\sup_{n \geq k} a_n)_k$  and  $(\inf_{n \geq k} a_n)_k$ .

**Proposition 3** For a sequence  $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset \overline{\mathbb{R}}$  we have that

- a)  $\liminf_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n \leq \limsup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n$ .
- b)  $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n$  exists if and only if  $\liminf_{n\in\mathbb{N}} a_n = \lim_{n\to\infty} a_n = \limsup_{n\in\mathbb{N}} a_n$ .

proof Look it up.

**Theorem 4** Suppose that  $f_n: (X, \mathcal{M}) \to \overline{\mathbb{R}}$  is measurable for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  Then so are

$$g = \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} f_n$$
,  $h = \limsup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} f_n$ ,  $p = \inf_{n \in \mathbb{N}} f_n$  and  $q = \limsup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} f_n$ . (pointwise)

proof Idea: We use Lemma 2:

1.) g: We have to show that for all  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ we have that  $g^{-1}((a, +\infty)) = \{x \in X \mid g(x) > a\} \in \mathcal{M}$ . But

Hence 
$$g^{-1}((a, +\infty)) = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} f_n^{-1}((a, +\infty)) \in \mathcal{M}$$
. Hence g is a measurable function.

- 2.) p:
- 3.) h: Using 1.) and 2,) we see that
- 4.) q: In a similar fashion, as  $q = \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} (\inf_{n \ge k} f_n)$  is measurable.

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This theorem implies that measurability is preserved under pointwise limits.

**Corollary 5** Suppose  $Y = \overline{\mathbb{R}}$  or  $Y = \mathbb{C}$  and let  $f_n : (X, \mathcal{M}) \to Y$  be measurable for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then if  $f_n(x) \xrightarrow{n \to \infty} f(x)$  for all  $x \in X$  then  $f : (X, \mathcal{M}) \to Y$  is measurable.

**proof** If  $Y = \overline{\mathbb{R}}$  we know that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} f_n(x) = \limsup_{n\in\mathbb{N}} f_n(x)$ . Hence the result follows from the theorem. If  $Y = \mathbb{C}$  then