

**Measure Theory**  
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**Characterization of Jordan Measurable sets and Basic Properties of Jordan Measure**  
**– Part 2**

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Properties of Jordan measurable sets:

1. [Boolean closure] If  $E, F$  are Jordan measurable in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , then  $E \cup F, E \cap F, E \setminus F$  and  $E \Delta F$  are Jordan measurable.

Pf: To show:  $E \setminus F$  is Jordan measurable.  
 Given  $\epsilon > 0$ , It suffices to produce sets  $S \subseteq E \setminus F \subseteq T$  elementary elementary  
 s.t.  $m(T \setminus S) \leq \epsilon$ .

Since  $E, F$  are Jordan measurable,  $\exists A_1 \subseteq E \subseteq B_1, A_1, B_1$  elementary  
 s.t.  $m(B_1 \setminus A_1) \leq \epsilon/2$   
 and  $\exists A_2 \subseteq F \subseteq B_2, A_2, B_2$  elementary such that  
 $m(B_2 \setminus A_2) \leq \epsilon/2$ .



So the first of these properties is called Boolean closure and this is that if  $E$  and  $F$  are Jordan measurable subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  Jordan measurable in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  then the union  $E \cup F$  the intersection and the said differences as well as the symmetric difference are all Jordan measurable. So let me prove one of that to illustrate the use of our equivalent conditions in the previous theorem. So I will only prove that  $E - F$  is Jordan measurable.

So to show this it suffices to produce sets  $S$  and  $T$  both elementary so  $S$  is elementary as well as  $T$  is elementary. So again given  $\epsilon > 0$  one can sandwich our set  $E - F$  between 2 elementary sets  $S$  and  $T$  says that the measure of  $T - S$  is less than equal to  $\epsilon$ . So this was the second condition in our previous theorem which was in equivalent condition for Jordan measurability.

So I am going to use that  $E$  and  $F$  are themselves Jordan measurable so since  $E, F$  are Jordan measurable. So we have there exist the elementary sets  $A_1$  and  $B_1$  elementary which sandwich

E such that the measure of  $B_1 - A_1$  is less than or equal to  $\epsilon / 2$ . And similarly for f they are exist  $A_2$  and  $B_2$  elementary such that the measure of  $B_2 - A_2$  is less than or equal to  $\epsilon / 2$ . Now I am going to use that this sets  $B_1, B_2, A_1, A_2$  to produce our T and S.

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \underbrace{A_1 \setminus B_2} \subseteq E \setminus F \subseteq \underbrace{B_1 \setminus A_2} \\
 T &= B_1 \setminus A_2, \quad S = A_1 \setminus B_2 \\
 T \setminus S &= \underbrace{(B_1 \cap A_2^c)}_T \cap \underbrace{(A_1 \cap B_2^c)}_S^c \\
 &= \underline{(B_1 \cap A_2^c)} \cap \underline{(A_1^c \cup B_2)} \\
 &= (B_1 \cap A_2^c \cap A_1^c) \cup (B_1 \cap A_2^c \cap B_2) \\
 &= (B_1 \setminus (A_1 \cup A_2)) \cup ((B_1 \cap B_2) \setminus A_2) \\
 &\subseteq (B_1 \setminus A_1) \cup (B_2 \setminus A_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

Now we have set inclusions our set  $E - F$  is included in  $B_1 - A_2$  simply because is the subset of  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  is the subset of  $F$ . Similarly since  $A_2$  is the subset of  $E$  and  $f$  is the subset of  $B_1$  should be  $A_1 - B_2$ . So since  $A_1$  is the subset of  $E$  and  $f$  is the subset of  $B_2$ . We have the first inclusions. So we will just take T to be  $B_1 - A_2$  and S to be  $A_1 - B_2$  so let us see what is  $T - S$ , so this is  $B$  intersection  $A_2$  complement intersection with  $A_1$  intersection  $B_2$  complement and there is in another complement here.

So this set is S and you take T intersection S complement so we can write this as so first one is  $B_1$  intersection  $A_2$  complement intersection  $A_1$  complement union  $B_2$ . So by using De Morgan's law and now we can distribute this set inside the union so we will get  $B_1$  intersection  $A_2$  complement intersection  $A_1$  complement union  $B_1$  union  $B_2$ . Now we can distribute this set  $B_1$  intersection  $A_2$  complement the  $A_2$  complement inside the union to get  $B_1$  intersection  $A_2$  complement intersection  $A_1$  complement union  $B_1$  intersection  $A_2$  complement intersection  $B_2$ .

So see that the first one is  $B_1 - A_1$  union  $A_2$  and this is the union with  $B_1$  intersection  $B_2 - A_2$  now this is a subset of  $B_1 - A_1$  and the second one is the subset of  $B_2 - A_2$ .

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2. Extension of properties of elementary measure:  
 Let  $E, F \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$  be Jordan measurable. Then
- (i) [Non-negativity]  $m(E) \geq 0$
  - (ii) [Finite-additivity] if  $E$  &  $F$  are disjoint then  
 $= m(E \cup F) = m(E) + m(F)$
  - (iii) [Monotonicity] if  $E \subseteq F$ , then  $m(E) \leq m(F)$
  - (iv) [Finite sub-additivity]  $m(E \cup F) \leq m(E) + m(F)$
  - (v) [Translation-invariance] For any  $z \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  
 $E+z$  is Jordan measurable, and  
 $m(E+z) = m(E)$

Therefore this implies by monotonicity that the measure of  $T - S$  is less than or equal to the measure of  $B_1 - A_1$  union  $B_2 - A_2$  and by finite sub-additivity this is less than or equal to  $B_1 - A_1 +$  measure of  $B_2 - A_2$  which is epsilon. So this implies that the said difference  $E - F$  is Jordan measurable. Now we can state the definition for Jordan measure which is that given a Jordan measurable subset  $E$  of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  then we know that the inner Jordan measure is equal to the outer Jordan measure and so we called the common value as the Jordan measure of  $E$ .

And it is denoted by  $m$  of  $E$  now the second part is just the extension of the properties of the elementary measure we have seen already. So for this we suppose that if  $E$  and  $F$  are Jordan measurable subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  then the first is non-negativity we have already seen this for elementary measure finite additivity monotonicity, finite sub-additivity and translation invariance.

So these are the properties we have already proved for elementary measure and we see that the Jordan measurable sets inherit this nice properties from our elementary measure. So these are quite easy to prove so let me just prove the second part which is finite additivity.

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(ii) PP: Given  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists$  elementary sets  $A_1 \subseteq E$ ,  $A_2 \subseteq F$   
s.t.

$$m_J(E) \leq m(A_1) + \epsilon/2 \quad -$$

$$m_J(F) \leq m(A_2) + \epsilon/2 \quad -$$

Since  $A_1 \cup A_2 \subseteq E \cup F$ ,

$$m(E \cup F) = m_J(E \cup F) \geq m(A_1 \cup A_2) = m(A_1) + m(A_2)$$

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disjoint union

$$\geq \underbrace{m_J(E)}_{m(E)} + \underbrace{m_J(F)}_{m(F)} - \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow m(E \cup F) \geq m(E) + m(F) - \epsilon$$

So for the proof of the second part; so give epsilon greater than 0 choose elementary sets. So given epsilon greater than 0 there exist elementary sets  $A_1$  inside  $E$  and  $A_2$  inside  $F$  such that the inner Jordan measure is less than or equal to  $m(A_1) + \epsilon/2$  and the inner Jordan measure of  $F$  is less than or equal to  $m(A_2) + \epsilon/2$ . So the inner Jordan measure of  $E \cup F$ . So now note that since  $A_1 \cup A_2$  is inside the union  $E \cup F$  so we get that inner Jordan measure of  $E \cup F$  is greater than or equal to the measure of  $A_1 \cup A_2$ .

But now we know that because  $E$  and  $F$  are disjoint these 2 are disjoint so this is the disjoint union and therefore this is equal to  $m(A_1) + m(A_2)$  by finite sub-additivity. And therefore this is greater than equal to by our 2 inequalities here this is greater than or equal to the inner Jordan measure of  $E$  + the inner Jordan measure of  $F - \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2$ . So this is nothing but epsilon now note that  $E$  and  $F$  are Jordan measurable so this is nothing but the Jordan measure of  $E$  which is nothing but the Jordan measure of  $F$ .

And we have already seen that if 2 sets are Jordan measurable they are union is also Jordan measurable so this is nothing but Jordan measure of  $E \cup F$ . So we get that that the Jordan measure of  $E \cup F$  is greater than or equal to  $m(E) + m(F) - \epsilon$ .

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Similarly, the same argument for the outer Jordan measure gives

$$m(E) + m(F) - \epsilon \leq m(E \cup F) \leq m(E) + m(F) + \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow m(E \cup F) = m(E) + m(F)$$

So this we did for the inner Jordan measure similarly for the outer Jordan measure similarly the same argument for the outer Jordan measure which will give us that the measure of E union F is less than or equal to the measure of E + the measure of F + epsilon and from the inner Jordan measure condition we get  $m(E) + m(F) - \epsilon$ . So since epsilon is arbitrary we have an equality so we that the finite additivity condition holds for E and F Jordan measurable and disjoint.

So we stop our lecture here and in the next class we will see what kind of specific examples of Jordan measurable subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  we can produce and we will see that there are plenty of them.