


Measure Theory
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Statement of the Riesz Representation Thm:

Let X be a LCH space, and $\Lambda: C_c(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a positive linear functional. Then Λ induces a σ -algebra \mathcal{B}_Λ containing the Borel σ -algebra $\mathcal{B}(X)$ & a unique measure μ_Λ on \mathcal{B}_Λ such that-

$$\Lambda(f) = \int_X f d\mu_\Lambda, \quad \forall f \in C_c(X).$$

\mathcal{B}_Λ can be constructed from Λ .



So let us look at this statement of the Riesz representation theorem it states that if X is a locally compact Hausdorff space. And λ is a positive linear functional on the space of continuous compactly supported functions on X . Then λ induces a sigma algebra \mathcal{B}_λ meaning that here induces means that \mathcal{B}_λ can be constructed from λ . So this is the statement saying that the λ induces the sigma algebra \mathcal{B}_λ meaning that \mathcal{B}_λ can be constructed just from the given λ .

And this sigma algebra \mathcal{B}_λ contains the Borel sigma algebra \mathcal{B}_X so remember that the Borel sigma algebra was the collection of all Borel subsets of X which is the smallest sigma algebra generated by the open subsets of X . And so the sigma algebra \mathcal{B}_λ that λ induces it contains all the Borel sets and a unique measure μ_λ defined on \mathcal{B}_λ such that the positive linear functional λ applied to f is nothing but the integral of f with respect to this measure μ_λ .

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which makes it a Radon measure.

Notation: $\mathcal{B}(X) := \sigma\text{-alg. of Borel sets of } X. (\text{Borel } \sigma\text{-algebra}).$
Defn. (Borel measure): If μ is a measure on $\mathcal{B}(X)$ then μ is called a
Borel measure on X .

Additionally μ_λ satisfies some extra nice conditions some other nice conditions properties of regularity which we call regularity of the measure which makes it a, what is called a Radon measure. So this μ_λ that is induced by the positively linear functional λ is the so called Radon measure. So before we come to the proof of the Riesz representation theorem let us look at the definition of Radon measure and see some nice properties that Radon measures enjoy on locally compact Hausdorff spaces.

So first let me fix some notation so \mathcal{B}_X is the sigma algebra of Borel sets of X so this is called the Borel sigma algebra. And if μ is a measure on this sigma algebra of Borel subsets then μ is called a Borel measure on X . So this is the definition of a Borel measure so, now if so let me go to another page.

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If $E \in \mathcal{B}(X)$. (E is a Borel set) then μ is called.
 \uparrow Borel measure.

(i) outer regular for E if

$$\mu(E) = \inf \{ \mu(U) : U \supseteq E, U \text{ is open in } X \}$$

(ii) inner regular for E if

$$\mu(E) = \sup \{ \mu(K) : K \subseteq E, K \text{ compact in } X \}$$

. If μ is both inner regular and outer regular for all Borel subsets of X , then μ is called a regular Borel measure.

So if E belongs to \mathcal{B} of X meaning that E is a Borel set then μ is called outer regular for E if μ of E is the infimum of μ of U such that U contains E and U is open in X . So if this equality holds then μ is called outer regular for E similarly μ is called inner regular for E if μ of E is now the supremum over μ of K .

Such that K is the subset of E which is compact so in this case μ is called inner regular for E if μ is both inner regular and outer regular for all Borel subsets in X of X . Then μ is called a regular Borel measure this is a regular Borel measure so if both these conditions so let me name them 1 and 2. So if both 1 and 2 are satisfied so it is both outer regular and inner regular for all Borel sets then μ is called a regular Borel measure.

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Def. (Locally finite Borel measure): A Borel measure μ on X is called locally finite if $\mu(K) < \infty$ for any $K \subseteq X$ compact.

Def. (Radon measure): A Borel measure μ on X is called a Radon measure if

- (i) μ is locally finite.
- (ii) μ is outer regular for all Borel sets.
- (iii) μ is inner regular for all open sets.

Now another definition this is about locally finite Borel measure so a Borel measure μ on X is called locally finite. If measure of all compact sets K is finite for any K compact we have that the measure of K is finite. So finally we come to the definition of the Radon measure and this is a measure a Borel measure μ on X is called a Radon measure. If μ is locally finite μ is outer regular for all Borel sets and μ is inner regular for all open sets.

So here we allow outer regularity for all Borel sets but inner regularity for only open subsets in X . So a locally finite measure which is outer regular for all Borel sets and inner regular for all open sets is called a Radon measure.

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Ex: (i) $X = \mathbb{R}^d$, $\mu = m$ is a Radon measure.
 we have - outer regularity for all Borel sets in \mathbb{R}^d .
 - inner regularity for all Borel sets in \mathbb{R}^d .

Remark: If X is a σ -compact LCH space and μ a Radon measure on X , then inner regularity for all Borel sets in X holds for μ . (σ -compact space $X = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} K_j$, K_j compact for each $j \geq 1$)

(ii) $X = \mathbb{R}$, $\alpha: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ non-decreasing fn.
 Then the Lebesgue-Stieltjes measure m_α is a Radon measure.

So what are the examples of Radon measures that we can construct so of course on \mathbb{R}^d the Lebesgue measure is a Radon measure. Because of course all compact sets have finite Lebesgue measure because they are bounded so they have finite Lebesgue measure. And we have already seen that for all Lebesgue measurable sets we have outer regularity as well as inner regularity. So in particular we have outer regularity for all Borel sets and we have inner regularity also for all Borel sets in \mathbb{R}^d .

So not just for open sets inner regularity holds for all Borel sets and in fact it we have seen that it also holds for all Lebesgue measurable sets. But for the purposes of seeing viewing it as a Radon measure it is enough to consider outer regularity for all Borel sets and inner regularity for all open sets. And here there is a (()) (11:20) that if your locally compact Hausdorff space so if so let me put this as a remark that if X is a sigma compact space locally compact Hausdorff space.

And μ a Radon measure on X then inner regularity for all Borel sets in X holds for μ . So a Radon measure by our definition as allowed to only have inner regularity for all open sets but in the case of a sigma compact space. So recall that sigma compact space X is countable union it can be expressed as a countable union of compact space K_j compact for each j . So when you have a sigma compact space then inner regularity for all open sets implies inner regularity for all Borel sets.

So now we have seen that our Lebesgue measure on \mathbb{R}^d is a Radon measure in fact if you consider α . So on X if you take X to be the real line α is a non-decreasing map non-decreasing function on \mathbb{R} . Then the Lebesgue Stieljis measure that we have constructed before m_α is a Radon measure. So all the nice examples of measures that, we have seen until now they are Radon measure.

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(iii) $(X, \mathcal{P}(X))$ a measurable space, with the measure defined as follows: Fix a point $x_0 \in X$, define μ_{x_0} as $\mu_{x_0}(E) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x_0 \in E \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

Ex: Check that μ_{x_0} is a measure on $\mathcal{P}(X)$.

If X is a LCH space, then μ_{x_0} is a Borel measure called the Dirac measure at x_0 .

Now let us look at another example for abstract spaces X an abstract space let us take an X and $\mathcal{P}(X)$ as a measurable space with the following measure with the measure defined as follows. Let us fix a point x_0 in X then we define the measure μ_{x_0} as follows $\mu_{x_0}(E) = 1$ if $x_0 \in E$ and 0 otherwise.

So this kind of so one can check actually so let me put this as an exercise is to check that μ_{x_0} is a measure on defined on the sigma algebra of all subsets of X . So in particular it is if X is a topological space a locally compact Hausdorff space then it will contain all the Borel subsets of X and it will be a Borel measure. And now if X is a locally compact Hausdorff space so this by this remark μ_{x_0} is a Borel measure this is called the Dirac measure at x_0 .

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1) μ_{x_0} is locally finite since it is finite.
 2) Outer regularity for Borel sets $E \subseteq X$:
 If $x_0 \in E$, then $\mu_{x_0}(E) = 1$.
 So for any open set $U \supseteq E$, we have $\mu_{x_0}(U) = 1$.
 ($x_0 \in U$).
 $\Rightarrow 1 = \mu_{x_0}(E) = \inf \left\{ \mu_{x_0}(U) : E \subseteq U \text{ open in } X \right\}$
 ($= 1$).
 If $x_0 \notin E$: $\mu_{x_0}(E) = 0$.
 Goal: Find an open set $U \supseteq E$ s.t. $x_0 \notin U \Rightarrow \inf \left\{ \mu_{x_0}(U) : E \subseteq U \text{ open} \right\} = 0$.



So now let us check whether this is a Radon measure so first is that μ_X is locally finite since it is finite so it is finite measure. So therefore it is locally finite because it takes only values 0 and 1 secondly for outer regularity for Borel subsets we have the following. So if x belongs to E then μ_X of E is 1 so for any open set u containing E we have μ_X of u is also equal to 1 because x belongs to u .

And this implies that 1 which is equal to μ_X of E is equal to the infimum of all μ_X of u . Such that E is the subset of u which is open in X because all of these are equal to this is equal to 1. So this whole set is the just 1 number which is 1 so the infimum of just a singleton set is the value of that set. So we get 1 so outer regularity for Borel sets holds in this case on the other hand if x does not belong to E we proceed as follows.

So of course then μ_X of E equal to 0 and now we have to find an open set containing E which does not contain x . So goal our goal is to find an open set u containing E such that x does not belong to u . So this would imply that the infimum of μ_X of u such that E is the subset of u and u is open this is equal to 0 and this would imply that it is also satisfies outer regularity when x does not belong to E .

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For each $y \in E$, since X is Hausdorff, choose an open neighborhood U_y of y s.t. $x_0 \notin U_y$. (T_1 -separability).

$$U := \bigcup_{y \in E} U_y \supseteq E \quad \text{and} \quad x_0 \notin U$$

$\Rightarrow \mu_{x_0}$ is outer-regular on all Borel sets in X .

(ii) Inner regularity on open sets: if E is open in X :

if $x_0 \in E \Rightarrow \mu_{x_0}(E) = 1$.

Since μ_{x_0} can only take values 0 and 1:

$$1 \leq \sup \{ \mu_{x_0}(K) : K \subseteq E \text{ compact} \} \leq 1.$$

$$\{x_0\} \subseteq E \quad \text{and} \quad \mu_{x_0}(\{x_0\}) = 1.$$

$$\Rightarrow \sup \{ \mu_{x_0}(K) : K \subseteq E \text{ compact} \} \geq 1 \Rightarrow \mu_{x_0}(E) = \sup \{ \mu_{x_0}(K) : K \subseteq E \text{ compact} \} = 1$$



So let us say how this can be done so for each y in E because x is Hausdorff since x is Hausdorff we choose an open set an neighborhood U_y of y such that x naught does not belong to U_y . So in fact this is does not even require the full Hausdorff condition is just t_1 so this is the t_1 separability axiom. Now we can write we can take the union over y in E of this open sets U_y . So this is an open sets U and this contains E because the union is over all points in E and x naught does not belong to U because x naught does not belong to any of the U_y 's.

So x naught does not belong to U . So this means that our μ_{x_0} is outer regular on all Borel sets in X . Now for inner regularity on open sets so if E is open in X now we can again we can divide it 2 cases. If x naught belongs to E then again $\mu_{x_0}(E) = 1$. And now we have to take the supremum of all compact subsets of E and see whether the measures of the supremum of those measures of compact subsets inside E also gives you 1.

Now since μ_{x_0} can only take values 0 and 1 then this implies that the supremum of $\mu_{x_0}(K)$ such that K sitting inside E is compact this is of course less than or equal to 1. On the other hand they have the compact set the singleton set the x naught this is a compact set this sits inside E and μ_{x_0} of this compact set x naught this is equal to 1. So this implies that the supremum is also greater than or equal to 1 which proves that this is in fact.

So equal to 1 so this is implies that $\mu_{x_0}(E) = 1$ is equal to the supremum of $\mu_{x_0}(K)$ such that K is in E and K compact. So this is the case when x naught belongs to E .

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{if } x_0 \notin E: \text{ then } \mu_{x_0}(E) &= 0. \\ \text{if } K \subseteq E \text{ then } x_0 \notin K &\Rightarrow \mu_{x_0}(K) = 0. \\ \Rightarrow \sup \{ \mu_{x_0}(K) : K \subseteq E, K \text{ compact} \} &= 0. \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \mu_{x_0}$ is a Radon measure.

Non-example: Take $X = \mathbb{R}$, $\mu = \#$ (counting measure), $\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$.
 and $\#(E) = \begin{cases} |E| & \text{if } E \text{ is finite.} \\ \infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
 $\#([0,1]) = \infty \Rightarrow$ not locally finite $\Rightarrow \#$ not a Radon measure.



On the other hand if x_0 does not belong to E then of course $\mu_{x_0}(E)$ is equal to 0. But now it is obvious that if K is any subset of E then x_0 does not belong to K , and this implies that $\mu_{x_0}(K) = 0$, which means that the supremum of $\mu_{x_0}(K)$ for if you only consider compact sets then also this is going to 0 all of these are 0. So we see that it is both inner and outer regular and it is locally finite so this means that μ_{x_0} is a Radon measure.

Now let us see a non-example so it is an example of a measure which is not a Radon measure so we can take X as \mathbb{R}^d even just \mathbb{R} . And μ to be the counting measure so what is the counting measure so this is defined on all subsets of \mathbb{R} and this counting measure of a set E is just the cardinality of E . So if E is finite and infinity otherwise so if E not finite it is infinite and so the cardinality we set it to be infinity.

So of course if you have a compact set so let us say the set $[0, 1]$ the interval $[0, 1]$ this is a compact subset of \mathbb{R} . But this gives you a value infinity so this means that it is not locally finite implies that this is not a Radon measure. So one can even have examples where the measure is finite but not either inner regularity fails or outer regularity fails but I will not go into these examples. You can look at chapter 7 in Folland's books for those kinds of examples where your measure is finite but it is not Radon meaning that either outer regularity or inner regularity fails to hold okay.