

**Measure Theory**  
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**Properties of Radon measures and Lusin's theorem on LCH spaces**

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Nice properties of Radon measures:

Thm: If  $X$  is a LCH space &  $\mu$  is a Radon measure on  $X$   
then  $C_c(X)$  is dense in  $L^1(X, \mu) \Leftrightarrow$  Given  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  
and  $f \in L^1(X, \mu)$ ,  $\exists g \in C_c(X)$  such that  
 $\|f - g\|_1 \leq \epsilon$ .

Prf: Since simple fns. are dense in  $L^1$ , it suffices to  
prove the result for  $f = \chi_E$ ,  $E$  is a Borel set with  
 $\mu(E) < \infty$ .

So now let us look at some nice properties that Radon measures enjoy nice properties of Radon measures. So first is that so let me write this as theorem if  $X$  is a locally compact Hausdorff theorem space and  $\mu$  is a Radon measure on  $X$ . Then the space of continuously compactly supported functions is dense in  $L^1 X \mu$  meaning that given any epsilon greater than 0. And  $f$  in  $L^1 X \mu$  there exist  $g$  epsilon so this  $g$  depends on epsilon which is a continuous function with compact support.

Such that the norm of  $f - g$  epsilon of  $L^1$  norm this is less than or equal to epsilon. So we have already seen that in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  with Lebesgue measure this kind of results holds that  $C_c \mathbb{R}^d$  is dense in  $L^1$  of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  with the Lebesgue measure. But now if you have a Radon measure  $\mu$  then also this kind of results holds. So let us see a proof the first thing to note is that since simple functions are dense in  $L^1$  just by the definition of the Lebesgue integrals it is suffices to prove the result for  $f$  equals the indicative function  $E$  where  $E$  is a Borel set with finite measure.

So,  $\mu E$  is finite so if we can prove this for indicative functions of Borel sets with finite measure then we can easily do it for any general  $L^1$  measure by first taking finite linear combination of simple function and then approximating in  $L^1$  norm by simple functions.

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Claim: If  $E \in \mathcal{B}(X)$  s.t.  $\mu(E) < \infty$ , then  $\mu$  is inner-regular for  $E$ .



To show:  $\mu(E) = \sup \{ \mu(K) : K \subseteq E, \text{ compact} \}$ .

$\mu$  is outer regular for  $E$ : Given  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists$  an open set  $U \supseteq E$

such that  $\mu(U) < \mu(E) + \frac{\epsilon}{2}$

$\Rightarrow \mu(\underbrace{U \setminus E}_{\text{Borel set}}) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$

$\Rightarrow \exists$  an open set  $V \supseteq U \setminus E$  such that  $\mu(V) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ .  
(again by outer regularity).

So now we need another result I claim that if  $E$  is a Borel set such that  $\mu E$  is finite then  $\mu$  is inner regular for  $E$ . So note that Radon measure assumption is only that  $\mu$  is in a regular for open sets but I now claim that any Borel set with finite measure  $\mu$  is inner regular. So let us see why this is true? So we have to show that  $\mu$  of  $E$  is equal to the supremum of  $\mu k$  such that  $k$  is compact in  $E$ .

So to do this first we use that  $E$  is a Borel set so  $\mu$  is outer regular for  $E$  which means that given  $\epsilon$  greater than 0. There exist an open set  $u$  containing in  $E$  such that we have  $\mu u$  is less than  $\mu E + \epsilon$  by 2. So this is just by outer regularity of  $\mu$  for Borel sets so this means that  $\mu$  of  $u - E$  is less than  $\epsilon$  by 2 and in particular this is a Borel set. So this implies that there exist an open set  $V$  containing  $u - E$  such that  $\mu V$  is less than  $\epsilon$  by 2.

Again by outer regularity so we have first chosen an open set containing  $E$  such that  $\mu E$  is less than  $\mu E + \epsilon$  by 2. And then we choose an open set  $v$  containing  $u - E$  such that  $\mu v$  is less than  $\epsilon$  by 2.

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By inner regularity for open sets:  $\mu$  is inner-regular for  $U$ :

$\exists K \subseteq U$ ,  $K$  compact such that

$$\mu(U) < \mu(K) + \frac{\epsilon}{2}. \quad \text{--- } \textcircled{1}$$

Now, take  $F = K \setminus V$   <sup>$\leftarrow$  open set</sup>  $= K \cap V^c \leftarrow$  compact

$F \subseteq E$ . since  $v \supseteq U \setminus F$ .

and we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(F) &= \mu(K) - \mu(V) > \mu(U) - \frac{\epsilon}{2} - \mu(V) \\ &\stackrel{\text{Monotonicity}}{>} \mu(E) - \frac{\epsilon}{2} - \frac{\epsilon}{2} \\ &= \mu(E) - \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu(E) = \sup \{ \mu(F) : F \subseteq E, F \text{ compact} \}.$$

Now by inner regularity for open sets we have that  $\mu$  is inner regular for  $U$  which means that there exist a compact set  $K$  such that  $\mu(U) < \mu(K) + \epsilon/2$ . Now take  $F$  to be the set  $K - V$  so remember that  $V$  was an open set so this is equal to  $K \cap V^c$  and since  $K$  is compact and  $V^c$  is closed so this is compact. So this set is compact and  $F$  is a subset of  $E$  this is because  $V$  covers  $U - E$  so  $U - E$  is contained in  $V$ .

So  $F$  is in fact contained inside  $E$  and finally we have that the measure of  $\mu$  of  $F$  is equal to  $\mu(K) - \mu(V)$ . But  $\mu(K) > \mu(U) - \epsilon/2$  so from 1 this is 1 which says that  $\mu(K) > \mu(U) - \epsilon/2$ . But  $\mu(V) < \mu(U) - \epsilon/2$  so  $\mu(K) - \mu(V) > \mu(U) - \epsilon/2 - \mu(V) > \mu(U) - \epsilon/2 - (\mu(U) - \epsilon/2) = \mu(U) - \epsilon$ . But  $\mu(U) > \mu(E)$  by monotonicity because  $E$  is the subset of  $U$  and then we have because  $\mu(V) < \mu(U) - \epsilon/2$  this is greater than  $\mu(U) - \epsilon/2 - \epsilon/2 = \mu(U) - \epsilon$  which is  $\mu(E) - \epsilon$ .

So this means that we have found a compact set which is greater than  $\mu(E) - \epsilon$  which means that  $\mu(E)$  is the supremum of  $\mu(F)$  such that  $F \subseteq E$  is compact. So once we have shown this it is easy to show that we can find a continuous function with compact support which approximates the indicator function of Borel set in the  $L^1$  norm.

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To show: Given  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists g \in C_c(X)$  s.t.  

$$\|\chi_E - g\|_{L^1} \leq \epsilon$$



We can use that  $\mu(E) < \infty \Rightarrow \mu$  is inner-regular for  $E$ .

$\Rightarrow \exists K \subseteq E \subseteq U$  s.t.  $\mu(U \setminus K) \leq \epsilon$ .  
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(By inner & outer-regularity).

By Urysohn's lemma,  $\exists g \in C_c(X)$  s.t.  $K \prec g \prec U$ .

$0 \leq g(x) \leq 1$ ;  $\text{supp}(g)$  is compact,  $g \equiv 1$  on  $K$

and  $\text{supp}(g) \subseteq U$ . ( $g = 0$  outside  $U$ )

$\Rightarrow \chi_K \leq g \leq \chi_U$  pointwise.



So now we have to show that there exist given epsilon there exist  $g$  in  $CCX$  such that the  $L^1$  norm of  $\chi_E - g$  is less than or equal to epsilon. So now we can use the fact that  $\mu E$  is finite implies that  $\mu$  is inner regular for  $E$  and this means that there exist a compact set  $k$  in  $E$  and an open set  $u$ . So this is compact and this is open such that  $\mu u - k$  is less than or equal to epsilon because by inner and outer regularity.

So this is by inner and outer regularity and then we can find by Urysohn's lemma there exist, a continuous function with compact support. Such that  $k \prec g \prec u$  which means so in this in our last lecture we use this notation to mean that  $g$  takes values between 0 and 1. Support of  $g$  is compact  $g$  is identically equal to 1 on  $k$  and support of  $g$  equals is a subset of  $u$ . So  $g$  is 0 outside  $u$  so by Urysohn's lemma we have this and we have seen that this is equivalent to.

Saying that the indicative function of  $k$  is less than or equal to  $g$  and this is less than or equal to indicative function of  $u$  point wise. Meaning that  $g$  can be sandwiched between the indicative function of  $k$  and the indicative of  $u$ .

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$$\begin{aligned}
\|\chi_E - g\|_{L^1} &= \int_X |\chi_E - g| d\mu \\
&\leq \int_X |\chi_u - g| d\mu \quad (\text{since } \chi_E \leq \chi_u) \\
&= \int_X (\chi_u - g) d\mu \\
&\leq \int_X (\chi_u - \chi_k) d\mu = \mu(u) - \mu(k) \leq \epsilon.
\end{aligned}$$



So now we can estimate  $\chi_E - g$  the  $L^1$  norm and this is nothing but the integral of  $\chi_E - g$  mod  $d\mu$  and this is less than or equal to integral of  $\chi_u - g$   $d\mu$ . Since  $\chi_E$  is less than or equal to  $\chi_u$  and this is nothing but now  $\chi_u$  is always greater than or equal to  $g$ . So we can lose the modulus sign so this is equal to  $\chi_u - g$   $d\mu$ . And now this is again less than or equal to  $\chi_u - \chi_k$   $d\mu$ .

And then this is nothing but the  $\mu$  of  $u$  minus the  $\mu$  of  $k$  and this is less than or equal to  $\epsilon$ . So we see that continuous functions of compact support are dense in the  $L^1$  norm are dense in the  $L^1$  functions in the space of  $L^1$  functions on  $X$  with the Radon measure.

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Corollary: (Lusin's theorem): If  $X$  is a LCH space and  $\mu$  is a Radon measure on  $X$ , and if  $f$  is a <sup>Borel</sup> measurable fn on  $X$ ,  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that  $f = 0$  outside a set  $E \in \mathcal{B}(X)$  of finite measure. Then, given  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists$  a Borel set  $A \in \mathcal{B}(X)$  st.  $\mu(A) \leq \epsilon$  and  $f$  is continuous on  $E \setminus A$ .

Pf: Repetition of the proof for  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . [Eo: check these details].

And so once we have this as a corollary we have Lusin's theorem which says that if  $X$  is locally compact Hausdorff space and  $\mu$  is a Radon measure on  $X$ . And if  $f$  is a Borel measurable function on  $X$ . So  $f$  is a complex valued Borel measurable function then I need another assumption that such that  $f$  is 0 outside a set  $E$  a Borel set  $E$  of finite measure. So again we would need an inner regularity so outside a set  $E$  of finite measure  $f$  is 0.

So support of,  $f$  is contained inside a set of finite measure given any  $\epsilon$  greater than 0 there exist a Borel set  $A$  such that the measure of  $A$  is less than or equal to  $\epsilon$  and  $f$  is continuous on  $E - A$ . So this is a generalization of the Lusin's theorem that we have seen for  $\mathbb{R}^d$  to locally compact Hausdorff spaces but with a radon measure and the proof is essentially just a repetition of the proof for  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .

But taking into account that we have a radon measure and we have chosen  $f$  to be to have support inside a set of finite measure and then we can basically repeat the proof. But this is left as an exercise to check the details of this proof so then we get Lusin's theorem for locally compact Hausdorff spaces with radon measures.