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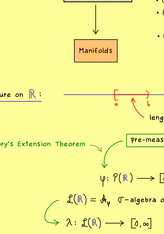
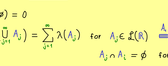
Multidimensional Integration - Part 1



Lebesgue measure on $\mathbb{R}$:



Carathéodory's Extension Theorem → pre-measure

$\psi: \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}) \longrightarrow [0,\infty]$ — outer measure

$\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}) = \mathcal{A}_\psi$ σ-algebra of Lebesgue-measurable sets

$\lambda: \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}) \longrightarrow [0,\infty]$ — Lebesgue measure on $\mathbb{R}$

measure

Properties:

- $\lambda(\emptyset) = 0$
- $\lambda\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \lambda(A_i)$ for $A_i \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R})$, $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$ for $i \neq j$

- $\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R})$ is larger than the Borel σ-algebra.
- If $A \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R})$ with $\lambda(A) = 0$, (A is called null set) then each $B \subseteq A$ satisfies $B \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R})$.
- $\lambda([a,b]) = b-a$, $b \geq a$
- $\lambda(x + A) = \lambda(A)$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $A \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R})$

(translation-invariant)

Definition (Lebesgue integral):

$$\int_A f \, d\lambda = \int_A f(x) \, d\lambda(x) = \int_A f(x) \, dx$$

defined by approximation with simple functions: