



## Baire measures and its unique extension to a regular borel measure

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### Abstract

A Baire measure is a probability measure on the Baire  $\sigma$ -algebra over a normal Hausdorff space  $X$ . A Borel measure is a probability measure on the Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra over a normal Hausdorff space  $X$ . In this paper we prove that every Baire measure has a unique extension to a regular Borel measure.

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### 1. Introduction

Baire measure is a measure on  $\sigma$ -algebra of Baire sets of a topological space  $X$  whose value on every compact Baire set is finite. In theory of measure and integration the Baire sets of a locally compact Hausdorff space form a  $\sigma$ -algebra related to continuous functions on the space. There are in equivalent definitions of Baire sets which are coincide with case of locally compact and  $\sigma$ -compact Hausdorff spaces. If  $X$  be a topological space, Baire sets are those subsets of  $X$  belonging to the smallest  $\sigma$ -algebra containing all zero sets in  $X$  where a zero set is defined as under:

**Definition:** A set  $Z \subset X$  is called a zero set if  $Z = f^{-1}(0)$  for some continuous real valued function  $f$  on  $X$ .

**Definition:** Let  $X$  be a topological space then Baire  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{B}_0(X)$  on  $X$  is the smallest  $\sigma$ -algebra containing the pre-images of all continuous functions  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . And if there exist a measure  $\mu$  on  $\mathcal{B}_0(X)$  s.t.  $\mu(X) < \infty$ . Then  $\mu$  is called a finite Baire measure on  $X$ . Further if  $\mathcal{B}(X)$  is the Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra on  $X$  (i.e. the smallest  $\sigma$ -algebra containing the open sets of  $X$ ) then  $\mathcal{B}_0(X) \subset \mathcal{B}(X)$ .

**Definition:** Borel sets are those sets of  $X$  belonging to the smallest  $\sigma$ -algebra that contains all closed subsets of  $X$ . Clearly a Baire set is always a Borel set. But in many familiar spaces including all metric spaces the classes of all Baire sets and Borel sets are coincide.

**Remark:** If  $X$  be the metric space then  $\mathcal{B}_0(X) = \mathcal{B}(X)$ .

**Regular Borel Measure:** Let  $\mu$  be a Borel measure on a space  $X$  and let  $E \in \mathcal{B}$ . We say that the measure  $\mu$  is outer regular on  $E$  if  $\mu(E) = \inf\{\mu(U) : E \subset U, U \text{ is open}\}$  and we say that measure  $\mu$  is inner regular on  $E$  if  $\mu(E) = \sup\{\mu(K) : K \subset E, K \text{ is compact}\}$ . If  $\mu$  is both inner and outer regular on  $E$  then we say that  $\mu$  is regular on  $E$ . Further  $\mu$  is called Regular Borel measure if it is regular on every Borel set. For example a Radon measure is a Borel measure which is

- Finite on every compact set.
- Outer regular on every Borel set.
- Inner regular on every open set.

**Proposition:** Let  $\mu$  be a Borel measure which is finite on compact sets. Then the following statements are equivalent.

- $\mu$  is outer regular on  $\sigma$ -bounded sets.
- $\mu$  is inner regular on  $\sigma$ -bounded sets.

**Proof:** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Suppose that  $E$  is a bounded Borel set and  $E \subset L$  Where  $L$  is compact. Assume that  $\varepsilon > 0$ . We have to prove that there is a compact set  $K \subseteq E$  with  $\mu(K) \geq \mu(E) - \varepsilon$ . As the relative complement  $L/E$  is bounded, by outer regularity there is an open set  $O \supseteq L/E$  such that  $\mu(O) \leq \mu(L/E) + \varepsilon$ . It follows that  $K = L/O = L \cap O^c$  is a compact set of  $E$  satisfying  $\mu(K) = \mu(L) -$

$\mu(L \cap O) \geq \mu(L) - \mu(O) \geq \mu(L/E) - \varepsilon$ , as required.

In general let  $E = E_1 \cup E_2 \cup E_3 \cup \dots$  is a countable union of bounded Borel sets  $E_i$ . We may assume that the sets  $E_i$  are disjoint. If some of the  $E_i$  has finite measure, then by above we have  $\text{Sup}\{\mu(K) : K \subseteq E_i, K \in \mathcal{K}\} = \mu(E_i) < +\infty$ , where  $\mathcal{K}$  is the family of compact sets. Then  $\text{Sup}\{\mu(K) : K \subseteq E, K \in \mathcal{K}\} = \mu(E) < +\infty$  Proved.

But on the other hand if  $\mu(E_i) < \infty$  for each  $i$  then for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  we can find a sequence of compact sets  $K_i \subseteq E_i$  with the property that  $\mu(E_i) \leq \mu(K_i) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2^i}$ .

Taking  $L_n = K_1 \cup K_2 \cup \dots \cup K_n$ , it is clear that  $L_n$  is a compact subset of  $E$  for which

$\mu(L_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mu(K_i) \geq \sum_{i=1}^n \mu(E_i) - \frac{\varepsilon}{2^i} \geq \sum_{i=1}^n \mu(E_i) - \varepsilon$ . Taking supremum over  $n$  we get  $\text{Sup } \mu(L_n) \geq \mu(E) - \varepsilon$ . Which shows that  $\mu$  is Inner regular on  $\sigma$ -bounded sets.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let  $E$  be bounded Borel set. Then closure of  $E$  is  $\bar{E}$  and is compact set and by single covering there exist a bounded open set  $U$  s.t.  $\bar{E} \subseteq U$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  then  $L/E$  is a bounded Borel set, then by Inner regularity there exist a bounded compact set  $K \subseteq L/E$  with the property that  $\mu(K) \geq \mu(L/E) - \varepsilon$ . Let  $V = U/K = U \cap K^c$  then  $V$  is a bounded and open which contains  $E$  and  $\mu(V) = \mu(U \cap K^c) \leq \mu(L \cap K^c) = \mu(L) - \mu(K) \leq \left(\mu\left(\frac{L}{E}\right) - \varepsilon\right) = \mu(E) - \varepsilon$ . As  $\varepsilon$  is arbitrary positive and this proves that  $\mu$  is outer regular on bounded sets.

Further let  $E = \bigcup_n E_n$  where each  $E_n$  is a bounded Borel set and each  $E_i$  is disjoint and  $\mu(E_n) < \infty$  for all  $n$ . From the above we have a sequence of open sets  $O_n \supseteq E_n$  such that  $\mu(O_n) \leq \mu(E_n) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2^n}$ . Therefore the set  $E$  is contained in the union of  $O = \bigcup_n O_n$  and we get  $\mu(O) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \mu(O_i) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \mu(E_i) + \varepsilon = \mu(E) + \varepsilon$ . Hence the proof.

**Content:** A real valued function defined on a  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  of sub sets of a space  $X$  is said to be a content on  $X$  if 1.)  $\mu(A) > 0$  for all  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ .

2.  $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$  and

3.  $\mu(A_1 \cup A_2) = \mu(A_1) + \mu(A_2)$  for all  $A_1, A_2 \in \mathcal{A}$ .

**Proposition:** Let  $\lambda$  be content on  $X$  and  $\mu$  be a regular Borel measure induced by  $\lambda$ , then the following statements are equivalent.

1.  $\lambda$  is regular content.
2.  $\mu$  is an extension of  $\lambda$ .

**Proof:** Suppose that (1) holds i.e.  $\lambda$  is a regular content. Let  $C$  be any compact set, and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , By the regularity of  $\lambda$ , we can find a compact set  $D$  s.t.

$$C \subseteq D \text{ and } \lambda(D) \leq \lambda(C) + \varepsilon \tag{1}$$

Let  $\lambda^*$  be the outer measure induced by  $\lambda$ . Then let  $U = D$  then  $C \subseteq U \subseteq D$  and  $U$  is an open bounded Borel set, we have  $\lambda^*(C) \leq \lambda^*(U)$  {Because  $\lambda^*$  is monotone}

$$\leq \lambda(D) \leq \lambda(C) + \varepsilon \text{ {By (1)}}$$

Hence  $\lambda^*(C) \leq \lambda(C)$  But  $\mu(C) = \lambda^*(C)$  Therefore  $\lambda^*(C) = \lambda(C)$  i.e.  $\mu(C) = \lambda(C)$  which shows that  $\mu$  is an extension of  $\lambda$ .

Now suppose that (2) holds, that means  $\mu$  is an extension of  $\lambda$ . Hence  $\lambda$  is restriction of  $\mu$  and  $\mu$  is regular Borel measure. Hence by case (1)  $\lambda$  is a regular content.

**Remark:** Let  $C$  and  $D$  be two disjoint sets of  $X$ , and then there exist open bounded Baire sets  $U$  and  $V$  s.t.  $C \subseteq U$  and  $D \subseteq V$ .

Proof: Let  $x \in C$  then  $x \notin D$  we can find disjoint open sets  $U_x$  and  $V_x$  s.t.  $x \in U_x, D \subseteq V_x$ . It is clear that  $\{V_x / x \in C\}$  is an open cover for  $C$  and  $C$  is compact, hence there exist a finite sub cover  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  s.t.  $C \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n U_{x_i}$ . Let  $U^* = \bigcup_{i=1}^n U_{x_i}$  and  $V^* = \bigcap_{i=1}^n V_{x_i}$  then  $U^*$  and  $V^*$  are disjoint open sets and  $C \subseteq U^*$  and  $D \subseteq V^*$ , By Baire sandwich theorem there exist open bounded Baire sets  $U$  and  $V$  s.t.  $C \subseteq U \subseteq U^*$  and  $D \subseteq V \subseteq V^*$  and obviously  $U$  and  $V$  are disjoint.

**Main Result:** Every Baire measure has a unique extension to a regular Borel measure.

**Lemma:** Let  $\nu$  be any Baire measure on X. Define for compact set C  $\lambda(C) = \text{Inf}\{\nu(U) / C \subset U, U \text{ is open Baire set}\}$ . Then  $\lambda$  is a regular content and  $\lambda(D) = \mu(D)$  for every compact  $G_\delta$  set D.

**Proof of the Lemma:** (1) Since  $\nu \geq 0$  then obviously  $\lambda \geq 0$ .

Let C be any compact set, By Baire sandwich theorem we can find an open Baire set U and a compact  $G_\delta$  set D s.t.  $C \subset U \subset D$ . Which gives that  $\lambda(C) \leq \nu(U) \leq \nu(D) < \infty$  which shows that  $\lambda$  is real valued.

(2) Suppose C and D are two compact sets and  $C \subset D$ . Let U be any open Borel set s.t.  $D \subset U$  then  $C \subset U \Rightarrow \lambda(C) \leq \nu(U) \Rightarrow \lambda(C) = \text{Inf}\{\nu(U) / U \text{ is open Baire set and } D \subset U\} \Rightarrow \lambda(C) \leq \lambda(D) \Rightarrow \lambda$  is monotone.

(3) Let C and D be compact sets and U be any open Baire set s.t.  $C \subset U$  and V any open Baire set s.t.  $D \subset V$  then  $C \cup D \subset U \cup V \Rightarrow \lambda(C \cup D) \leq \nu(U \cup V) \leq \nu(U) + \nu(V) \Rightarrow \lambda(C \cup D) \leq \text{inf}\{\nu(U)\} + \text{inf}\{\nu(V)\} \Rightarrow \lambda(C \cup D) \leq \lambda(C) + \lambda(D) \Rightarrow \lambda$  is sub additive.

(4) Let C and D be any two disjoint compact sets then by above remark we can find disjoint open bounded Baire sets U and V s.t.  $C \subset U$  and  $D \subset V$ . Let W be an open Baire set s.t.  $C \cup D \subset W$  then  $C \subset U \cap W$  and  $D \subset V \cap W$ . Since  $W \supset (U \cap W) \cup (V \cap W)$ , we get  $\nu(W) \geq \nu[(U \cap W) \cup (V \cap W)] = \nu(U \cap W) + \nu(V \cap W) \geq \lambda(C) + \lambda(D) \Rightarrow \text{Inf}\{\nu(W)\} \geq \lambda(C) + \lambda(D)$  then from (3) we get  $\lambda(C \cup D) \leq \lambda(C) + \lambda(D)$ . Hence we get  $\lambda(C \cup D) = \lambda(C) + \lambda(D)$ . This proves that  $\lambda$  is content.

(5) **Regularity:** Let C be any compact set,  $\epsilon > 0$  then by definition of  $\lambda$  we can find an open Baire set U such that  $C \subset U$  and  $\nu(U) \leq \lambda(C) + \epsilon$ . By Baire sandwich theorem we can find an open Baire set V and a compact  $G_\delta$  set D s.t.  $C \subset V \subset D \subset U$ . Then  $C \subset D$  and  $\lambda(D) \leq \nu(U) \leq \lambda(C) + \epsilon \Rightarrow \lambda(C) = \text{Inf}\{\lambda(D) / C \subset D, D \text{ is compact}\}$ . This proves that  $\lambda$  is regular content.

(6) **Finally:** Let D be any compact  $G_\delta$  set. Let  $(U_n)$  be any sequence of open sets s.t.  $D = \bigcap_{i=1}^n (U_n)$  for each n,  $D \subset U_n$ , By Baire sandwich theorem we can find an open Baire set  $V_n$  and compact  $G_\delta$  set  $D_n$  s.t.  $D \subset V_n \subset D_n \subset U_n \Rightarrow D = \bigcap_{i=1}^n (V_n)$ . Define  $W_n = \bigcap_{i=1}^n (V_i)$ . Then  $(W_n)$  is a monotone decreasing sequence of open bounded Baire sets s.t.  $(W_n) \rightarrow D \Rightarrow \nu(W_n) \rightarrow \nu(D)$ , as  $D \subset W_n$  for all n  $\Rightarrow \lambda(D) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \nu(W_n) \Rightarrow \lambda(D) \leq \nu(D)$  ..... (\*)  
 If V be any Open Baire set s.t.  $D \subset V$  then  $\nu(D) \leq \nu(V) \Rightarrow \nu(D) \leq \text{Inf}\{\nu(W)\} \Rightarrow \nu(D) \leq \lambda(D)$  ..... (\*\*)  
 From (\*) and (\*\*) we get  $\lambda(D) = \nu(D)$ .

**Proof of the Main Theorem:** Let  $\nu$  be any Baire measure on X. Define for compact set C,  $\lambda(C) = \text{Inf}\{\nu(U) / C \subset U, U \text{ is Baire set}\}$ . Then  $\lambda$  is a regular content. Let  $\mu$  be the regular Borel measure induced by  $\lambda$ . Then Let  $\mu$  is an extension of  $\lambda$ . Let  $\nu'$  be the Baire restriction of  $\mu$ . Let D be any compact  $G_\delta$  set, then  $\nu(D) = \lambda(D) = \nu'(D)$  [By above lemma]  
 $\Rightarrow \nu(E) = \nu'(E)$  For all Baire sets E.  $\Rightarrow \nu(E) = \mu(E)$  For every Baire set E.  
 i.e.  $\mu$  is an extension of  $\nu$ . Thus Baire measure  $\nu$  has been extended to a regular Borel measure  $\mu$ .

**Uniqueness:** Let  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$  be two regular Borel measures such that  $\mu_1(D) = \mu_2(D)$  for every compact  $G_\delta$  set D. To prove above we have to show that  $\mu_1(E) = \mu_2(E)$  for every Borel set E. For this it is suffices to prove that  $\mu_1(C) = \mu_2(C)$  for every compact set C.

Let C be any compact set. Since  $\mu_1$  is regular Borel measure we can find a compact  $G_\delta$  set  $D_1$  such that  $C \subset D_1$  and  $\mu_1(C) = \mu_1(D_1)$  ..... (1)

By the same argument we can find a compact  $G_\delta$  set  $D_2$  such that  $C \subset D_2$  and  $\mu_2(C) = \mu_2(D_2)$  ..... (2)

Define  $D = D_1 \cap D_2$ , then  $D$  is a compact  $G_\delta$  set and  $C \subset D_1$  and  $C \subset D_2 \Rightarrow C \subset D$  shows that  $\mu_1(C) = \mu_1(D_1) \leq \mu_1(D) = \mu_2(D) \leq \mu_2(D_2) = \mu_2(C) \Rightarrow \mu_1(C) \leq \mu_2(C)$

By the same argument  $\mu_2(C) \leq \mu_1(C)$ .

Hence proved that  $\mu_1(C) = \mu_2(C)$ . Hence the theorem.

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