

## Lecture 4

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Recall :

Lusin's theorem :  $\mu$  Borel measure on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  
 $u: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  Borel function,  $E \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  Borel,  
 $\mu(E) < \infty$ , then  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists K \subset E$  such that:  
 $u$  is continuous on  $K$  and  $\mu(E \setminus K) < \epsilon$ .

Using the method in the proof of Lusin's thm we get:

Theorem : If  $\mu$  is a Radon measure on  $\mathbb{R}^n$   
and  $p \in [1, \infty)$ , then for every  $u \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, \mu)$   
there exists a sequence  $\{u_k\} \subset C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$   
such that.

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |u - u_k|^p d\mu = 0$$

Riesz's theorem and vector-valued Radon measures

Consider  $C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , the space of continuous functions with compact support in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , equipped with the following topology:

" $\psi_i \rightarrow \psi$  in  $C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$  if  $\psi_i \rightarrow \psi$  uniformly on  $\mathbb{R}^n$   
and, for a compact set  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  :

$$\text{spt } \psi \cup \left[ \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \text{spt } \psi_i \right] \subset K$$

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Consider a linear functional  $L: C_c(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}^m) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Then

Lemma:  $L$  is continuous with respect to convergence in  $C_c(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}^m)$  if and only if it is bounded, in the sense that, for every compact set  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ ,

$$(*) \quad \sup \{ \langle L, \varphi \rangle : \varphi \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}^m), \text{spt } \varphi \subset K, |\varphi| \leq 1 \} < \infty$$

Ex: Let  $\mu$  be a Radon measure on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , let  $L: C_c(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ :

$$\langle L, \varphi \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi \, d\mu, \quad \varphi \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

It is easy to see that  $L$  is continuous on  $C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , since  $\varphi_i \rightarrow \varphi$  in  $C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$  implies:

$$\begin{aligned} |\langle L, \varphi_i \rangle - \langle L, \varphi \rangle| &= \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi_i \, d\mu - \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi \, d\mu \right| \\ &= \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (\varphi_i - \varphi) \, d\mu \right| \\ &\leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |\varphi_i - \varphi| \, d\mu \\ &\leq \int_K \varepsilon \, d\mu, \quad \text{for } i \text{ large, since } \varphi_i \rightarrow \varphi \text{ in } C_c(\mathbb{R}^n). \\ &= \varepsilon \mu(K) \end{aligned}$$

Clearly,  $(*)$  is true too.

Ex:  $\mu$  Radon measure on  $\mathbb{R}^n$

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$f \in L^1_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mu; \mathbb{R}^m)$ .

Define  $f\mu: C_c(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}^m) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  as:

$$\langle f\mu, \varphi \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (\varphi \cdot f) d\mu, \quad \varphi \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}^m)$$

Riesz's theorem ensures that every bounded linear functional on  $C_c(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}^m)$  can be represented as a product  $f\mu$ .

Def: Let  $L: C_c(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}^m) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  bounded linear functional, define the total variation of  $L$  as a set function:

$$|L|: \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow [0, \infty]$$

$$|L|(A) = \sup \{ \langle L, \varphi \rangle : \varphi \in C_c(A; \mathbb{R}^m), |\varphi| \leq 1 \}, \quad A \subset \mathbb{R}^n \text{ open}$$

$$|L|(E) = \inf \{ |L|(A) : E \subset A, A \text{ open} \}, \quad E \subset \mathbb{R}^n \text{ arbitrary.}$$

Riesz's theorem:  $L: C_c(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}^m) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  bounded linear functional, then:

•  $|L|$  is a Radon measure on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

•  $\exists g: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $|g| = 1$   $|L|$ -a.e. on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $|L|$ -measurable

and

$$\langle L, \varphi \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (\varphi \cdot g) d|L|, \quad \forall \varphi \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}^m)$$

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Ex: If  $L = f\mu$ ,  $\mu$  Radon measure  $\Rightarrow$   
 $|L| = |f|\mu$ ,  $g = \frac{f}{|f|}$ ,  $|f|$ - $\mu$ -a.e. on  $\mathbb{R}^n$

Remark: Note that the continuous linear functional  $L: C_c(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$\langle L, \varphi \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi d\mu, \quad \varphi \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n); \quad \mu \text{ Radon measure}$$

is positive, that is:

$$\langle L, \varphi \rangle \geq 0 \quad \text{if } \varphi \geq 0$$

or, equivalently,  $L$  is monotone; that is,

$$\langle L, \varphi_1 \rangle \leq \langle L, \varphi_2 \rangle, \quad \text{if } \varphi_1 \leq \varphi_2$$

Radon measures can be unambiguously identified with monotone linear functionals on  $C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

Indeed:

$L$  monotone  $\Rightarrow L$  bounded (Exercise 4.16)

$$\Rightarrow \langle L, \varphi \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi g d|L|, \quad |g|=1, |L| \text{ a.e.}$$

$$\Rightarrow g \geq 0, |L| \text{-a.e.}, \text{ by Exercise 4.5}$$

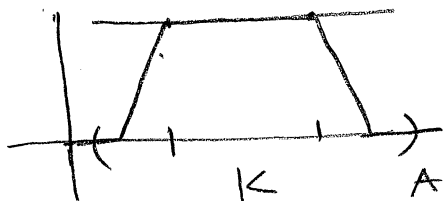
$$\Rightarrow g = 1, |L| \text{-a.e.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle L, \varphi \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi d|L|, \quad \forall \varphi \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n).$$

On the other hand:

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi d\mu_1 = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi d\mu_2 \quad \forall \varphi \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n) \Rightarrow \mu_1 = \mu_2, \text{ because:}$$

if  $K$  is compact,  $A$  open  $K \subset A$ ,  
 $\exists \varphi \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $\chi_K \leq \varphi \leq \chi_A$ .



$$\mu_1(K) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \chi_K d\mu_1 \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi d\mu_1 = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi d\mu_2 \leq \mu_2(A)$$

$\Rightarrow \mu_1(E) \leq \mu_2(E)$ ,  $E$  Borel (by regularity of Radon measures)

In the same way:

$$\mu_2(E) \leq \mu_1(E) \Rightarrow \mu_1 = \mu_2 \text{ on } \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

Now,  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$  are Borel regular measures, and from Exercise 2.6 ( $\mu, \nu$  Borel regular measures on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\mu = \nu$  on  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n) \Rightarrow \mu = \nu$  on  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ) we conclude  $\mu_1 = \mu_2$  on  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

Remark:  $L : C_c(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  bounded linear functional allows to define a vector-valued Radon measure as follows

$$\nu(E) = \int_E g d|L| ; \text{ that is, } \nu = g|L|$$

$$\nu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \nu(E_i), \quad E_i \text{ disjoint}$$

$$\langle \nu, \varphi \rangle = \int_E (\varphi \cdot g) d|L|$$

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Conversely, if  $\nu$  is a vector-valued Radon measure the  $\nu = g|\nu|$  (Polar decomposition) and  $|g|=1$ ,  $|\nu|$ -a.e., and  $\nu$  induces the linear functional:

$$\langle L, \varphi \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (\varphi \cdot g) |\nu|, \quad \varphi \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}^m).$$

Thus, we can write:

$$C_c(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}^m)^* = \{ \mathbb{R}^m\text{-valued Radon measures on } \mathbb{R}^n \},$$

When  $m=1$ , then  $\nu$  is called a signed Radon measure on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . In this case

$\nu = g|\nu|$ , with  $|g|=1$ ,  $|\nu|$ -a.e., and

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \nu^+ &= \chi_{\{g=1\}} |\nu| = \frac{|\nu| + \nu}{2} \\ \nu^- &= \chi_{\{g=-1\}} |\nu| = \frac{|\nu| - \nu}{2} \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} \nu &= \nu^+ - \nu^- \\ |\nu| &= \nu^+ + \nu^- \end{aligned} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Jordan} \\ \text{Decomp.} \\ \text{of} \\ \text{measures} \end{array}$$

Recall again; for  $m=1$ :

$$C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)^* = \{ \text{signed Radon measures on } \mathbb{R}^n \}$$

and

$$\{ \text{Monotone linear functionals on } C_c(\mathbb{R}^n) \} = \{ \text{Radon measures on } \mathbb{R}^n \}$$

# Weak-star convergence

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Definition:  $\{\mu_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}, \mu$   $\mathbb{R}^m$ -valued Radon measures on  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$\mu_i$  weak-star converges to  $\mu$ ,  $\mu_i \xrightarrow{*} \mu$ , if

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi \cdot d\mu = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi \cdot d\mu_i, \quad \varphi \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}^m)$$

Ex:  $\{x_i\} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\mu_i = \delta_{x_i}$ ,  $x_i \rightarrow x_0$  then

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi d\mu_i = \varphi(x_i) \rightarrow \varphi(x_0) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi d\mu, \quad \varphi \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

with  $\mu = \delta_{x_0} \Rightarrow \boxed{\delta_{x_i} \xrightarrow{*} \delta_{x_0}}$ .

If  $|x_i| \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \boxed{\delta_{x_i} \xrightarrow{*} 0}$ .

Note: For every  $\{x_i\} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$   $\exists \{x_{i_k}\}$  subsequence such that  $\delta_{x_{i_k}} \xrightarrow{*} \delta_{x_0}$  ( $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ) or  $\delta_{x_{i_k}} \xrightarrow{*} 0$ .

Ex (Spreading of mass):  $\mu_k = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{1}{k} \delta_{i/k} \xrightarrow{*} \mathcal{L}^1[0,1]$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi d\mu_k = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{1}{k} \varphi(i/k) \rightarrow \int_{(0,1)} \varphi dx$$

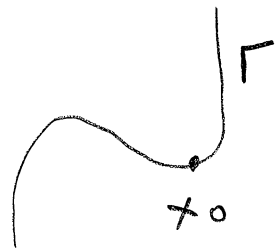
Ex (Concentration of mass):  $\mu_k = \frac{1}{|B_k|} \chi_{B_k(0)} \xrightarrow{*} \delta_0$

Ex (Averaging effects):  $\mu_k = (1 + \sin(kx)) \mathcal{L}^1 \xrightarrow{*} \mathcal{L}^1$

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## A fundamental idea in Geometric Measure Theory (Blow-ups):

"Existence of tangent spaces in terms of weak-star convergence of Radon measures"



$\Gamma$  smooth curve in  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$\Gamma = \gamma((a,b))$ ,  $\gamma: (a,b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$   
injective

$\gamma(t_0) = x_0$

Tangent space to  $\Gamma$  at  $x_0$  is line  $\pi = \{s\gamma'(t_0) : s \in \mathbb{R}\}$

- Consider  $\Gamma$  as the Radon measure  $\mu = \gamma' \llcorner \Gamma$
- Define the blow-ups  $\mu_{x_0, r}$  of  $\mu$  at  $x_0$  as:

$$\mu_{x_0, r} = \frac{1}{r} (\Phi_{x_0, r})_{\#} (\gamma' \llcorner \Gamma) = \gamma' \llcorner \left( \frac{\Gamma - x_0}{r} \right)$$

$$\Phi_{x_0, r}(y) = \frac{y - x_0}{r}, \quad y \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\Phi_{x_0, r}: B_r(x) \rightarrow B_1(0) \quad (\text{blow-up})$$

Claim:  $\mu_{x_0, r} \xrightarrow{*} \gamma' \llcorner \pi$  as  $r \rightarrow 0^+$ .

Indeed, if  $\varphi \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi \, d\mu_{x_0, r} &= \frac{1}{r} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi \, d(\Phi_{x_0, r})_{\#} \\ &= \frac{1}{r} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi \circ \Phi_{x_0, r} \, d\mu \end{aligned}$$



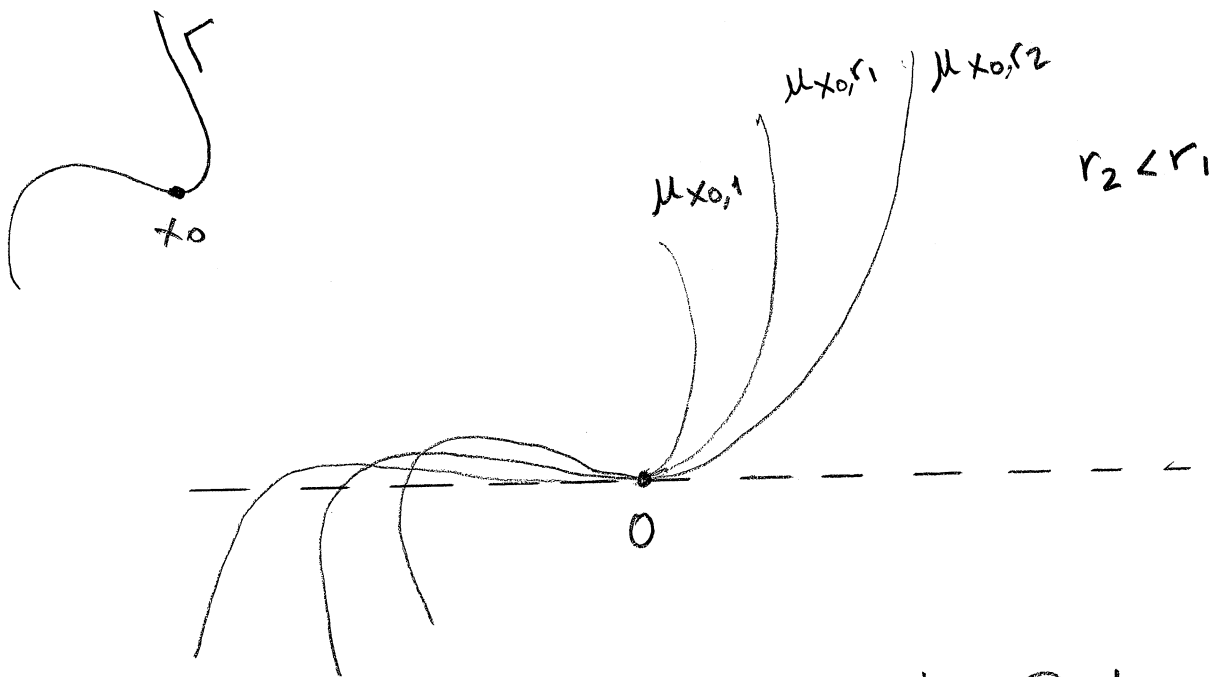
$$= \frac{1}{r} \int_{\Gamma} \varphi\left(\frac{y-x_0}{r}\right) d\mathcal{H}^1(y)$$

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$$= \frac{1}{r} \int_a^b \varphi\left(\frac{\gamma(t) - \gamma(t_0)}{r}\right) |\gamma'(t)| dt$$

$$= \int_{t=t_0+rs}^{t_0+\frac{b-t_0}{r}} \varphi\left(\frac{\gamma(t_0+rs) - \gamma(t_0)}{r}\right) |\gamma'(t_0+rs)| ds$$

$$\rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}} \varphi(s\gamma'(t_0)) |\gamma'(t_0)| ds = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \varphi d\mathcal{H}^1, \text{ as } r \rightarrow 0^+$$



The blow-ups at  $x_0$  of the Radon measure  $\mathcal{H}^1 \llcorner \Gamma$  weak-star converge to  $\mathcal{H}^1 \llcorner \Pi$ .

Prop:  $\{\mu_i\}$ ,  $\mu$  Radon measures on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  (recall non-negatives). The following are equivalent:

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(i)  $\mu_i \xrightarrow{*} \mu$

(ii)  $\forall K$  compact,  $\limsup_{i \rightarrow \infty} \mu_i(K) \leq \mu(K)$

$\forall A$  open,  $\liminf_{i \rightarrow \infty} \mu_i(A) \geq \mu(A)$

(iii)  $\forall E$  Borel,  $\mu(\partial E) = 0 \Rightarrow \mu_i(E) \rightarrow \mu(E)$

Prop:  $\{\mu_i\}$  vector-valued Radon measures. Then

(i)  $\mu_i \xrightarrow{*} \mu \Rightarrow \forall A$  open  $|\mu|(A) \leq \liminf_{i \rightarrow \infty} |\mu_i|(A)$

Recall from Riesz's Theorem:

$$|\mu|(A) = \sup \left\{ \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi \cdot d\mu : \varphi \in C_c(A; \mathbb{R}^m), |\varphi| \leq 1 \right\}$$

(ii) If  $\mu_i \xrightarrow{*} \mu$  and  $|\mu_i| \xrightarrow{*} \nu \Rightarrow |\mu|(E) \leq \nu(E), \forall E$  Borel

$E$  Borel  $\nu(\partial E) = 0 \Rightarrow \mu_i(E) \rightarrow \mu(E)$

Weak-star compactness criteria

Compactness for Radon measures:  $\{\mu_i\}$  Radon measures on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $\forall K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  compact:

$$\sup_i \mu_i(K) < \infty$$

$\Rightarrow \exists \mu$  Radon on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\{\mu_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  s.t.  $\mu_k \xrightarrow{*} \mu$

Corollary:  $\{\mu_i\}$  are  $\mathbb{R}^m$ -valued Radon measures on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,

$\sup_i |\mu_i|(K) < \infty, \forall K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  compact

$\Rightarrow \exists \mu$   $\mathbb{R}^m$ -valued and  $\{\mu_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  s.t.  $\mu_k \xrightarrow{*} \mu$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .

Ex:  $\mu_k = \delta_{1/k} - \delta_{-1/k} \xrightarrow{*} 0$  and

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$|\mu_k| = \delta_{1/k} + \delta_{-1/k} \xrightarrow{*} 2\delta_0$ , thus it is not necessarily true that  $\mu_k \xrightarrow{*} \mu^+$  or  $\mu_k \xrightarrow{*} \mu^-$ .

### Regularization of Radon measures

We can take convolutions of Radon measures:

Let  $\mu$  be an  $\mathbb{R}^m$ -valued Radon measure on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,

define

$$(\mu * \rho_\varepsilon)(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \rho_\varepsilon(x-y) d\mu(y), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Then:

$$\mu_\varepsilon := \mu * \rho_\varepsilon \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}^m)$$

$\mu_\varepsilon$  is an  $\mathbb{R}^m$ -valued Radon measure on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  given by:

$$\langle \mu_\varepsilon, \varphi \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi(x) \cdot (\mu * \rho_\varepsilon)(x) dx, \quad \varphi \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}^m)$$

$$\mu_\varepsilon(E) = \int_E (\mu * \rho_\varepsilon)(x) dx$$

This is a useful theorem:

Theorem:  $\mu_\varepsilon \xrightarrow{*} \mu, \quad |\mu_\varepsilon| \xrightarrow{*} |\mu|$