

\mathcal{B}_X written for $\mathcal{B}(X)$

Corollary 2.2: Let X and Y be topological spaces (or metric spaces), $\mathcal{B}(X)$ and $\mathcal{B}(Y)$ be Borel sets. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous, then f is $(\mathcal{B}(X), \mathcal{B}(Y))$ -measurable.

Proof: Let X and Y be topological spaces (or metric spaces), \mathcal{B}_X and \mathcal{B}_Y be Borel sets and $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be continuous. Let \mathcal{E} be the collection of open subsets of Y . Then, \mathcal{E} generates \mathcal{B}_Y . Let $U \in \mathcal{E}$, then $f^{-1}(U)$ is open in X because f is continuous. This implies that $f^{-1}(U) \in \mathcal{B}_X$. Thus, by Proposition 2.1, f is $(\mathcal{B}_X, \mathcal{B}_Y)$ -measurable.

Shorthand: Let (X, \mathcal{M}) be a measurable space and $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, then we say that f is \mathcal{M} -measurable or measurable to mean that f is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}})$ -measurable. That is $f^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{M}$ for B , the Borel sets of \mathbb{R} .

Proposition 2.3: Let (X, \mathcal{M}) be a measurable space and $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (a) f is \mathcal{M} -measurable.
- (b) $f^{-1}((a, +\infty)) \in \mathcal{M}$ for all $a \in \mathbb{R}$.
- (c) $f^{-1}([a, +\infty)) \in \mathcal{M}$ for all $a \in \mathbb{R}$.
- (d) $f^{-1}((-\infty, a)) \in \mathcal{M}$ for all $a \in \mathbb{R}$.
- (e) $f^{-1}((-\infty, a]) \in \mathcal{M}$ for all $a \in \mathbb{R}$.

Proof: ((a) \Rightarrow (b)) Suppose that f is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}})$ -measurable. Then, $(a, +\infty) \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$ implies that $f^{-1}((a, +\infty)) \in \mathcal{M}$.

((b) \Rightarrow (a)) We have shown earlier that the sets of the form $\mathcal{E} = \{(a, +\infty) : a \in \mathbb{R}\}$ generate $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$. Thus, by Proposition 2.1, f is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}})$ -measurable.

Note: The rest of the proofs are similar. Use that fact that the given collections generate the Borel sets.

Composition

Note 1: Suppose that $f, g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, and they are both $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$ -measurable. This means that if $B \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$, then $f^{-1}(B), g^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$. Then, if $f \circ g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $B \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$, then $(f \circ g)^{-1}(B) = g^{-1}(f^{-1}(B)) \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$. Thus, $f \circ g$ is $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$ -measurable.

Note 2: Let \mathcal{L} be the collection of Lebesgue sets. Suppose that $f, g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and they are both \mathcal{L} -measurable. That is if $B \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$, then $f^{-1}(B), g^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{L}$. Now consider $f \circ g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and let $B \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$. Now, $(f \circ g)^{-1}(B) = g^{-1}(f^{-1}(B))$ and $f^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{L}$, but $f^{-1}(B)$ may not be a Borel set. Thus, in general, $(f \circ g)^{-1}(B) = g^{-1}(f^{-1}(B)) \notin \mathcal{L}$. That is, $f \circ g$ need not be \mathcal{L} -measurable. *In fact such examples exist.*

Definition: Let $E \subseteq X$. Then the function $\chi_E : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by

$$\chi_E(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in E \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin E \end{cases}$$

is called the **characteristic function** of the set E .

Proposition: Let (X, \mathcal{M}) be a measurable space, and $E \subseteq X$. Then, $\chi_E : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is \mathcal{M} -measurable if and only if $E \in \mathcal{M}$.

Proof: χ_E is measurable $\Leftrightarrow \chi_E^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{M}$ for all $B \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$. But,

$$\chi_E^{-1}(B) = \begin{cases} \emptyset, & 0, 1 \notin B \\ E, & 1 \in B, 0 \notin B \\ E^c, & 0 \in B, 1 \notin B \\ X, & \{0, 1\} \subseteq B \end{cases}$$

Thus, χ_E is measurable $\Leftrightarrow E, E^c \in \mathcal{M}$

$\Leftrightarrow E \in \mathcal{M}$.

Example: Recall $h(x) = x + f(x)$ where f is ternary, and $h : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 2]$ is a homeomorphism. If $C \subseteq [0, 1]$ is a Cantor set, then $h(C)$ has measure 1.

So, there exist $E \subseteq h(C)$ such that E is non-measurable. Pick E such that $0 \notin E$ and $2 \notin E$. Let $B = h^{-1}(E) \subseteq C$. Then, B is measurable, $0 \notin B$ and $1 \notin B$. So, $h^{-1} : [0, 2] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is continuous and can be extended to $b : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by

$$b(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ h^{-1}(x) & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 1 & \text{if } 2 < x \end{cases}$$

Thus, b is continuous on \mathbb{R} implies that b is $(\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}, \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}})$ -measurable.

Note that χ_B is $(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}})$ -measurable. Now, consider $(\chi_B \circ b)^{-1}(\{1\}) = \{x : (\chi_B \circ b)(x) = 1\} = \{x : b(x) \in B\} = \{x : h^{-1}(x) \in B\} = (h^{-1})^{-1}(B) = h(B) = E$ which is non-measurable. Thus, $\chi_B \circ b$ is not $(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}})$ -measurable.

OMIT

Idea of Finite Products: Given measurable spaces (Y_1, \mathcal{N}_1) and (Y_2, \mathcal{N}_2) . We want a σ -algebra on the product space $Y_1 \times Y_2$. To define such a σ -algebra, look at the σ -algebra generated by all sets of the form $\{B_1 \times B_2 : B_1 \in \mathcal{N}_1 \text{ and } B_2 \in \mathcal{N}_2\}$. This σ -algebra is denoted by $\mathcal{N}_1 \otimes \mathcal{N}_2$.

Proposition: Let $Y_1 = Y_2 = \mathbb{R}$ and $\mathcal{N}_1 = \mathcal{N}_2 = \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$. Then, $Y_1 \times Y_2 = \mathbb{R}^2$ and $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}} \otimes \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}} = \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^2}$.

Proof: [Show that $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^2} \subseteq \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}} \otimes \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$.]

Let $O \in \mathbb{R}^2$ be open. Look at rectangles $(p_1, q_1) \times (p_2, q_2) \subseteq O$ such that $p_i, q_i \in \mathbb{Q}$. Since O is open, $O = \cup \{(p_1, q_1) \times (p_2, q_2) : p_i, q_i \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ and } (p_1, q_1) \times (p_2, q_2) \subseteq O\}$. Then, this is a countable union. But, $(p_i, q_i) \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}} \Rightarrow (p_1, q_1) \times (p_2, q_2) \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}} \otimes \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}} \Rightarrow O \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}} \otimes \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$. Since open sets generate $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^2}$, $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^2} \subseteq \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}} \otimes \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$.

[Show that $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}} \otimes \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^2}$.]

It is enough to show that if $B_1, B_2 \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$, then $B_1 \times B_2 \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^2}$.

Let $\mathcal{A} = \{E \subseteq \mathbb{R} : E \times \mathbb{R} \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^2}\}$. Note that $\emptyset \in \mathcal{A}$, $\mathbb{R} \in \mathcal{A}$,

and $E \in \mathcal{A} \Rightarrow E \times \mathbb{R} \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^2} \Rightarrow (E \times \mathbb{R})^c \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^2}$. But,

$$(E \times \mathbb{R})^c = E^c \times \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow E^c \in \mathcal{A}.$$

Finally, $E_n \in \mathcal{A} \Rightarrow E_n \times \mathbb{R} \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^2} \Rightarrow \cup_n (E_n \times \mathbb{R}) \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^2}$. But,

$$\cup_n (E_n \times \mathbb{R}) = (\cup_n E_n) \times \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow \cup_n E_n \in \mathcal{A}.$$

Thus, \mathcal{A} is a σ -algebra.

If we do the following: $(a, b) \times \mathbb{R} \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^2} \Rightarrow (a, b) \in \mathcal{A}$. Thus,

$\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$. Hence, if $B \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$, then $B \times \mathbb{R} \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^2}$. Similarly, if

$B \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$, then $\mathbb{R} \times B \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^2}$. Hence, $B_1 \times B_2 = (B_1 \times \mathbb{R}) \cap$

$(\mathbb{R} \times B_2) \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^2}$. This shows that $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}} \otimes \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^2}$, and so

$$\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}} \otimes \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}} = \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^2}.$$

Proposition 2.4: (Case $n = 2$) Given (X, \mathcal{M}) , (Y_1, \mathcal{N}_1) , and (Y_2, \mathcal{N}_2) , and also $f_1 : X \rightarrow Y_1$ and $f_2 : X \rightarrow Y_2$, define $f : X \rightarrow Y_1 \times Y_2$ by $f(x) = (f_1(x), f_2(x))$. Then, f is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{N}_1 \otimes \mathcal{N}_2)$ -measurable if and only if f_i is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{N}_i)$ -measurable for each $i = 1, 2$.

Proof: (\Rightarrow) Given $B_1 \in \mathcal{N}_1 \Rightarrow B_1 \times Y_2 \in \mathcal{N}_1 \times \mathcal{N}_2 \Rightarrow$

$$f^{-1}(B_1 \times Y_2) \in \mathcal{M}. \text{ But, } f^{-1}(B_1 \times Y_2) =$$

$$\{x : f(x) \in B_1 \times Y_2\} = \{x : (f_1(x), f_2(x)) \in B_1 \times Y_2\} =$$

$$\{x : f_1(x) \in B_1\} = f_1^{-1}(B_1). \text{ Thus, } f_1^{-1}(B_1) \in \mathcal{M}, \text{ and so } f_1$$

is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{N}_1)$ -measurable. Similarly, f_2 is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{N}_2)$ -measurable.

(\Leftarrow) Let $\mathcal{A} = \{B \in Y_1 \times Y_2 : f^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{M}\}$. It is easy to

show that \mathcal{A} is a σ -algebra. Let $B_i \in \mathcal{N}_i$. Then, $B_1 \times B_2 =$

$$(B_1 \times Y_2) \cap (Y_1 \times B_2) \Rightarrow f^{-1}(B_1 \times B_2) = f^{-1}(B_1 \times Y_2) \cap$$

$$f^{-1}(Y_1 \times B_2). \text{ Now, } f^{-1}(B_1 \times Y_2) = \{x : f(x) \in B_1 \times Y_2\}$$

$$= \{x : f_1(x) \in B_1\} = f_1^{-1}(B_1) \in \mathcal{M} \Rightarrow B_1 \times Y_2 \in \mathcal{A}, \text{ and}$$

similarly $Y_1 \times B_2 \in \mathcal{A} \Rightarrow B_1 \times B_2 = (B_1 \times Y_2) \cap (Y_1 \times B_2) \in \mathcal{A}$. Thus, $\mathcal{N}_1 \otimes \mathcal{N}_2 \subseteq \mathcal{A}$, and so $f^{-1}(E) \in \mathcal{M}$ for all $E \in \mathcal{N}_1 \otimes \mathcal{N}_2$. Therefore, f is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{N}_1 \otimes \mathcal{N}_2)$ -measurable.

Proposition 2.6: Let (X, \mathcal{M}) be measurable. If $f, g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}})$ -measurable, then $f + g$ and fg are $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}})$ -measurable.

Proof: Look at $F : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ defined by $F(x) = (f(x), g(x))$. By Proposition 2.4, F is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}} \otimes \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}})$ -measurable.

Let $s : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by $s((x, y)) = x + y$. Then, s is continuous. This implies that s is $(\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^2}, \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}})$ -measurable by Corollary 2.2. But, $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}} \otimes \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}} = \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^2}$. So, $s \circ F : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}})$ -measurable, and $(s \circ F)(x) = s((f(x), g(x))) = f(x) + g(x)$. Thus, $f + g$ is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}})$ -measurable.

Next, $p : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by $p((a, b)) = ab$. Then, p is continuous. By Corollary 2.2, p is $(\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^2}, \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}})$ -measurable. So, $p \circ F : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}})$ -measurable, and $(p \circ F)(x) = p(f(x), g(x)) = f(x)g(x)$. Thus, fg is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}})$ -measurable.

General Product

Let $(Y_\alpha, \mathcal{N}_\alpha)$ where $\alpha \in A$ be measurable spaces. Then, $Y = \prod_{\alpha \in A} Y_\alpha$

$= \{y : y = (y_\alpha)_{\alpha \in A} \text{ and } y_\alpha \in Y_\alpha\}$. Also, the **product σ -algebra**, denoted by $\mathcal{N} = \bigotimes_{\alpha \in A} \mathcal{N}_\alpha$, is the σ -algebra generated by all sets of the

following form:

Pick countably many α 's, say $\{\alpha_n\}$.

For each n , pick $E_n \in \mathcal{N}_{\alpha_n}$.

Let $E = \{y = (y_\alpha) : y_{\alpha_n} \in E_n \text{ for all } n\}$ which is called **countable windows**.

Another set that generates \mathcal{N} :

Pick one α , say α_1 and $E_1 \in \mathcal{N}_{\alpha_1}$.

Let $E = \{y = (y_\alpha) : y_{\alpha_1} \in E_1\}$.

They are the same set because:

$$\{y = (y_\alpha) : y_{\alpha_n} \in E_n \text{ for all } n\} = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \{y = (y_\alpha) : y_{\alpha_n} \in E_n\}.$$

Proposition 2.4: Let (X, \mathcal{M}) and $(Y_\alpha, \mathcal{N}_\alpha)$ be measurable spaces, and $f_\alpha : X \rightarrow Y_\alpha$. Define $f : X \rightarrow \prod Y_\alpha$ by $f(x) = (f_\alpha(x))$. Then, f is $(\mathcal{M}, \bigotimes \mathcal{N}_\alpha)$ -measurable if and only if f_α is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{N}_\alpha)$ -measurable for all α .

omit

Extended Reals

$\overline{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\} \cup \{-\infty\}$
 $\mathcal{B}(\overline{\mathbb{R}}) = \{B \subseteq \overline{\mathbb{R}} : B \cap \mathbb{R} \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}\}$

Note that $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$ is a σ -algebra, and $B \in \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}}$ if and only if $B = B_1$, $B_1 \cup \{+\infty\}$, $B_1 \cup \{-\infty\}$, or $B_1 \cup \{+\infty\} \cup \{-\infty\}$ where $B_1 \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$.

Proposition: Let (X, \mathcal{M}) be a measurable space and $f : X \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$. Then, following statements are equivalent:

- (1) f is ~~$(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}})$ -measurable~~. $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}(\overline{\mathbb{R}}))$ -measurable
- (2) $f^{-1}((a, +\infty]) \in \mathcal{M}$ for all $a \in \mathbb{R}$
- (3) $f^{-1}([a, +\infty]) \in \mathcal{M}$ for all $a \in \mathbb{R}$
- (4) $f^{-1}([-\infty, a)) \in \mathcal{M}$ for all $a \in \mathbb{R}$
- (5) $f^{-1}([-\infty, a]) \in \mathcal{M}$ for all $a \in \mathbb{R}$

Proof: ((1) \Rightarrow (2)) Recall that $(a, +\infty] = (a, +\infty) \cup \{+\infty\}$, and $(a, +\infty) \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$ implies that $(a, +\infty) \cup \{+\infty\} \in \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}}$. Since f is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}})$ -measurable, $f^{-1}((a, +\infty]) \in \mathcal{M}$ for all $a \in \mathbb{R}$.

Similarly, (1) \Rightarrow (3), (1) \Rightarrow (4), and (1) \Rightarrow (5).

((2) \Rightarrow (1) - sketch) The set of the form $(a, +\infty]$ generates $\mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}}$, and $(a, +\infty]^c = \{-\infty\}$. Now, $\{B : f^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{M}\}$ is a σ -algebra, and a generating set for $\mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}}$. So, it must contain $\mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}}$. Thus, $B \in \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}}$, then $f^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{M}$, and so f is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}})$ -measurable.

Similarly, (3) \Rightarrow (1), (4) \Rightarrow (1), and (5) \Rightarrow (1) because $[a, +\infty]$, $[-\infty, a)$ and $[-\infty, a]$ also generate $\mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}}$.

Proposition 2.7: Let (X, \mathcal{M}) be a measurable space, and $f_j : X \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ be all $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}})$ -measurable. Then, $g_1(x) = \sup_j f_j(x)$, $g_2(x) = \inf_j f_j(x)$, $g_3(x) = \lim_j \sup_j f_j(x)$ and $g_4(x) = \lim_j \inf_j f_j(x)$ are all $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}})$ -measurable.

If $\lim_j f_j(x)$ exists for all x , then it is also $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}})$ -measurable.

Proof: [Show that g_1 is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}})$ -measurable.]

$g_1^{-1}((a, +\infty]) = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} f_j^{-1}((a, +\infty]) \in \mathcal{M}$ because each

$f_j^{-1}((a, +\infty]) \in \mathcal{M}$. Thus, g_1 is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}})$ -measurable.

[Show that g_2 is g_1 is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}})$ -measurable.]

$g_2^{-1}([-\infty, a)) = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} f_j^{-1}([-\infty, a)) \in \mathcal{M}$ because each

$f_j^{-1}([-\infty, a)) \in \mathcal{M}$. Thus, g_2 is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}})$ -measurable.

[Show that g_3 is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}})$ -measurable.]

Let $h_k(x) = \sup_{j>k} f_j(x)$, then $\inf_k h_k(x) = \lim_j \sup f_j(x)$. By

the first argument, h_k is measurable for all k . This implies that $\inf_k h_k(x) = \lim_j \sup f_j(x) = g_3(x)$ is measurable. Thus, g_3 is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}})$ -measurable.

[Show that g_4 is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}})$ -measurable.]

Similarly, let $l_k(x) = \inf_{j>k} f_j(x)$, then $\sup_k l_k(x) = \lim_j \inf f_j(x)$

$= g_4(x)$. Thus, g_4 is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}})$ -measurable.

Finally, if $\lim_j f_j(x)$ exists for all x , then it is the same as

$\lim_j \sup f_j(x) = \lim_j \inf f_j(x)$, and so $\lim_j f_j(x)$ is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}})$ -measurable.

Corollary 2.8: Let (X, \mathcal{M}) be a measurable space, and $f, g : X \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ be $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}})$ -measurable. Then, $\max\{f, g\}$ and $\min\{f, g\}$ are both $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}})$ -measurable.

Note: Let (X, \mathcal{M}) be a measurable space and $E \in \mathcal{M}$. Then, $\mathcal{M}_E = \{B \cap E : B \in \mathcal{M}\}$ is a σ -algebra of subsets of E .

Corollary 2.9⁺ (This says more than the text): Let (X, \mathcal{M}) be a measurable space, and suppose that $f_j : X \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ be all $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}})$ -measurable. Then, $E = \{x : \lim_j f_j(x) \text{ exists}\}$ is a measurable set. Moreover, if we define $f : E \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ by $f(x) = \lim_j f_j(x)$, then f is $(\mathcal{M}_E, \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}})$ -measurable.

Proof: Let $E = \{x : \lim_j f_j(x) \text{ exists}\} = \{x : \lim_j \sup f_j(x) = \lim_j \inf f_j(x)\} = \{x : g_3(x) = g_4(x)\} = \{x : g_3(x) - g_4(x) = 0\} = (g_3 - g_4)^{-1}(\{0\})$. Since $g_3 - g_4$ is $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}})$ -measurable, $(g_3 - g_4)^{-1}(\{0\}) = E \in \mathcal{M}$, that is E is a measurable set. On E , $\lim_j f_j(x) = g_3(x) = g_4(x)$. So, $\lim_j f_j(x)$ is measurable on E . Thus, if define $f : E \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ by $f(x) = \lim_j f_j(x)$, then f is $(\mathcal{M}_E, \mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{R}}})$ -measurable.