



λ - Algebra with Some of Their Properties

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Abstract

The objective of this paper is, firstly, we study a new concept noted by λ -algebra and discuss the properties of this concept. Secondly, we introduce a new concept related to the λ -algebra such as smallest λ -algebra. Thirdly, we introduce the notion of the restriction of λ -algebra on a nonempty subset \mathfrak{D} of \mathfrak{B} and investigate some of its basic properties. Furthermore, we present the relationships between α - σ -field, monotone class, β - σ -field and λ -algebra. Finally, we introduce the concept of measure relative to the λ -algebra and prove that every measure relative to the λ -algebra is complete.

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1. Introduction

About forty seven year ago, Robert [1]. Studied the concept of σ -field, where a collection \mathcal{K} is called σ -field of a set \mathfrak{B} if $\mathfrak{B} \in \mathcal{K}$ and \mathcal{K} is closed under complementation and countable union. Many authors studied the concept of σ -field, for example see [2-4]. And [5]. The notion of increasing sequence and decreasing sequence studied by Robert, where D_1, D_2, \dots are subsets of a set \mathfrak{B} , if $D_1 \subset D_2 \subset \dots$ and $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} D_i = D$. Then we say that D_i increase to D ; we write $D_i \uparrow D$. If $D_1 \supset D_2 \supset \dots$ and $\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} D_i = D$, we say that D_i decrease to D ; we write $D_i \downarrow D$ [1]. Zhenyuan and George in 2009 studied the concept of monotone class which represents the generalization of σ -field, where a collection \mathcal{K} of subsets of a nonempty set \mathfrak{B} is said to be monotone class iff whenever $D_1, D_2, \dots \in \mathcal{K}$ such that $D_i \uparrow D$, then $D \in \mathcal{K}$ and if $D_i \downarrow D$, then $D \in \mathcal{K}$ [6]. In 2019, Ibrahim and Hassan introduced some concepts such as α - σ -field and β - σ -field which represent the generalizations of σ -field, where a collection \mathcal{K} is said to be α - σ -field iff $\Phi, \mathfrak{B} \in \mathcal{K}$ and \mathcal{K} is closed under countable union [7]. And a collection \mathcal{K} is said to be β - σ -field if $\Phi, \mathfrak{B} \in \mathcal{K}$ and \mathcal{K} is closed under countable intersection [7]. Ibrahim and Hassan in 2019 also introduced the concept of δ -field as a stronger form of these concepts, where a collection \mathcal{K} is said to δ -field iff $\Phi \in \mathcal{K}$ and if $\Phi \neq A \in \mathcal{K}$ and $A \subset B \subseteq \mathfrak{B}$, then $B \in \mathcal{K}$ and \mathcal{K} is closed under countable intersection [8]. The concept of complete measure on



σ -field was studied by Robert in 1972, but not necessarily that every measure defined on σ -field is complete. In this work, we prove that every measure defined on λ -algebra is complete.

The main aim of this paper is to introduce and study new concept such as λ -algebra as a stronger form of α - σ -field and monotone class. And we give basic properties and examples of this concept.

2. The main results:

Let $P(\mathfrak{B})$ denoted to the power set of a nonempty set \mathfrak{B} and we start this section by the definition of λ -algebra.

Definition 1

A nonempty collection \mathcal{K} of a set \mathfrak{B} , $\mathcal{K} \neq \{\mathfrak{B}\}$ is called λ -algebra or (λ -field) of a set \mathfrak{B} if:

- 1- $\mathfrak{B} \in \mathcal{K}$.
- 2- If $D \in \mathcal{K}$ and $E \subset D \subset \mathfrak{B}$, then $E \in \mathcal{K}$.
- 3- If $D_1, D_2, \dots \in \mathcal{K}$, then $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} D_i \in \mathcal{K}$.

Definition 2

If \mathcal{K} is a λ -algebra of a set \mathfrak{B} . Then a pair $(\mathfrak{B}, \mathcal{K})$ is called measurable space relative to the λ -algebra \mathcal{K} and the elements of \mathcal{K} are called the measurable sets.

Example 3

Let $\mathfrak{B} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ and $\mathcal{K} = \{ \Phi, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{4\}, \{1, 2\}, \{1, 4\}, \{2, 4\}, \{1, 2, 4\}, \mathfrak{B} \}$. Then $(\mathfrak{B}, \mathcal{K})$ is measurable space relative to the λ -algebra \mathcal{K} .

Proposition 4

For any λ -algebra \mathcal{K} of a set \mathfrak{B} , the following hold:

- 1- $\Phi \in \mathcal{K}$
- 2- If $D_1, D_2, \dots, D_n \in \mathcal{K}$, then $\bigcup_{i=1}^n D_i \in \mathcal{K}$.
- 3- If $D_1, D_2, \dots \in \mathcal{K}$, then $\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} D_i \in \mathcal{K}$.
- 4- If $D_1, D_2, \dots, D_n \in \mathcal{K}$, then $\bigcap_{i=1}^n D_i \in \mathcal{K}$.

Proof

The proof follows from definition of λ -algebra.

Lemma 5

Let $\{\mathcal{K}_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$ be a collection of λ -algebra on \mathfrak{B} . Then $\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} \mathcal{K}_\alpha$ is a λ -algebra on \mathfrak{B} .

Proof

Since \mathcal{K}_α is λ -algebra $\forall \alpha \in I$, then $\mathfrak{B} \in \mathcal{K}_\alpha \forall \alpha \in I$, hence $\mathcal{K}_\alpha \neq \Phi \forall \alpha \in I$ and $\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} \mathcal{K}_\alpha \neq \Phi$, therefore $\mathfrak{B} \in \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} \mathcal{K}_\alpha$. Let $D \in \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} \mathcal{K}_\alpha$ and $E \subset D \subset \mathfrak{B}$, then $D \in \mathcal{K}_\alpha \forall \alpha \in I$, but \mathcal{K}_α is λ -algebra $\forall \alpha \in I$ and $E \subset D$. So, we get $E \in \mathcal{K}_\alpha \forall \alpha \in I$, hence $E \in \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} \mathcal{K}_\alpha$. Let $D_1, D_2, \dots \in \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} \mathcal{K}_\alpha$. Then, $D_1, D_2, \dots \in \mathcal{K}_\alpha, \forall \alpha \in I$, but \mathcal{K}_α is λ -algebra $\forall \alpha \in I$ which implies that $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} D_n \in \mathcal{K}_\alpha, \forall \alpha \in I$, hence $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} D_n \in \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} \mathcal{K}_\alpha$. Therefore, $\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} \mathcal{K}_\alpha$ is a λ -algebra.

Definition 6

Let $J \subseteq P(\mathfrak{F})$. Then the intersection of all λ -algebra of \mathfrak{F} which includes J is called the λ -algebra generated by J and denoted by $\lambda(J)$, that is,
 $\lambda(J) = \cap \{ \mathcal{K}_\alpha : \mathcal{K}_\alpha \text{ is a } \lambda\text{-algebra of } \mathfrak{F} \text{ and } J \subseteq \mathcal{K}_\alpha, \forall \alpha \in I \}$.

Proposition 7

Let $J \subseteq P(\mathfrak{F})$. Then $\lambda(J)$ is the smallest λ -algebra of \mathfrak{F} which includes J .

Proof

Since $\lambda(J) = \cap \{ \mathcal{K}_\alpha : \mathcal{K}_\alpha \text{ is a } \lambda\text{-algebra of } \mathfrak{F} \text{ and } J \subseteq \mathcal{K}_\alpha, \forall \alpha \in I \}$. Then $\lambda(J)$ is λ -algebra of \mathfrak{F} by Lemma 5. To prove $\lambda(J) \supseteq J$, let each of \mathcal{K}_α is a λ -algebra of \mathfrak{F} and $J \subseteq \mathcal{K}_\alpha, \forall \alpha \in I$. Then $J \subseteq \cap_{\alpha \in I} \mathcal{K}_\alpha$, therefore $J \subseteq \lambda(J)$. Now, let \mathcal{K}^* is a λ -algebra of \mathfrak{F} such that $\mathcal{K}^* \supseteq J$. Then $\cap \{ \mathcal{K}_\alpha : \mathcal{K}_\alpha \text{ is a } \lambda\text{-algebra of } \mathfrak{F} \text{ and } J \subseteq \mathcal{K}_\alpha, \forall \alpha \in I \} \subseteq \mathcal{K}^*$, hence $\lambda(J) \subseteq \mathcal{K}^*$. Therefore, $\lambda(J)$ is the smallest λ -algebra of \mathfrak{F} which includes J .

If we take Example 3 and if we assume $J = \{ \{1\}, \{2\} \}$, then $\lambda(J) = \{ \Phi, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{1,2\}, \mathfrak{F} \}$ is the smallest λ -algebra of a set \mathfrak{F} which includes J .

Theorem 8

Let $J \subseteq P(\mathfrak{F})$. Then (\mathfrak{F}, J) is measurable space relative to the λ -algebra J .
 if and only if $J = \lambda(J)$.

Proof

Suppose that (\mathfrak{F}, J) is (a) measurable space relative to the λ -algebra J . From Proposition 7, we have $\lambda(J)$ is the smallest λ -algebra of a set \mathfrak{F} which includes J implies that $J \subseteq \lambda(J)$. By hypothesis, we have J is a λ -algebra of a set \mathfrak{F} , but $J \subseteq \lambda(J)$ and $\lambda(J)$ is the smallest λ -algebra of a set \mathfrak{F} which includes J , then $\lambda(J) \subseteq J$, hence $J = \lambda(J)$.
 Conversely) Let $J \subseteq P(\mathfrak{F})$ and let $J = \lambda(J)$. Since $\lambda(J)$ is a λ -algebra of a set \mathfrak{F} , then J is λ -algebra of a set \mathfrak{F} .

If we take Example 3 and if we assume $J = \{ \Phi, \{1\}, \mathfrak{F} \}$, then we conclude that $\lambda(J) = J$.

Now, we introduce the notion of restriction and study the basic properties of this notion.

Definition 9

Let $\mathcal{K} \subseteq P(\mathfrak{F})$ and $\Phi \neq \mathfrak{D} \subseteq \mathfrak{F}$. Then, the restriction of \mathcal{K} over the set \mathfrak{D} is denoted by $\mathcal{K}|_{\mathfrak{D}}$ and defined as follows:
 $\mathcal{K}|_{\mathfrak{D}} = \{ B : B = E \cap \mathfrak{D}, \text{ for some } E \in \mathcal{K} \}$.

Proposition 10

Let $(\mathfrak{F}, \mathcal{K})$ is measurable space relative to the λ -algebra \mathcal{K} and $\Phi \neq \mathfrak{D} \subseteq \mathfrak{F}$. Then $\mathcal{K}|_{\mathfrak{D}} = \{ E \subseteq \mathfrak{D} : E \in \mathcal{K} \}$.

Proof

Let $B \in \mathcal{K}|_{\mathfrak{D}}$. Then $B = E \cap \mathfrak{D}$, for some $E \in \mathcal{K}$. Since $E \cap \mathfrak{D} \subseteq E$ and \mathcal{K} is λ -algebra of a set \mathfrak{F} , then $E \cap \mathfrak{D} \in \mathcal{K}$, hence $B \in \mathcal{K}$. Since, $E \cap \mathfrak{D} \subseteq \mathfrak{D}$, then $B \subseteq \mathfrak{D}$. Therefore $B \in \{ E \subseteq \mathfrak{D} : E \in \mathcal{K} \}$ and $\mathcal{K}|_{\mathfrak{D}} \subseteq \{ A \subseteq \mathfrak{D} : A \in \mathcal{K} \}$. Let $C \in \{ E \subseteq \mathfrak{D} : E \in \mathcal{K} \}$. Then, $C \subseteq \mathfrak{D}$, and $C \in \mathcal{K}$, hence,

$C=C \cap \mathcal{D}$, but $C \in \mathcal{K}$, then $C \in \mathcal{K}|_{\mathcal{D}}$ which implies that $\{E \subseteq \mathcal{D}: E \in \mathcal{K}\} \subseteq \mathcal{K}|_{\mathcal{D}}$, therefore $\mathcal{K}|_{\mathcal{D}} = \{A \subseteq \mathcal{D}: A \in \mathcal{K}\}$.

Corollary 11

Let $(\mathfrak{F}, \mathcal{K})$ is measurable space relative to the λ - algebra \mathcal{K} and $\Phi \neq \mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathfrak{F}$. Then $\mathcal{K}|_{\mathcal{D}} \subseteq \mathcal{K}$.

Proof

The result follows from Proposition 10

Proposition 12

Let $(\mathfrak{F}, \mathcal{K})$ is measurable space relative to the λ - algebra \mathcal{K} , and $\Phi \neq \mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathfrak{F}$. Then $(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{K}|_{\mathcal{D}})$ is measurable space relative to the λ - algebra $\mathcal{K}|_{\mathcal{D}}$

Proof

Since $(\mathfrak{F}, \mathcal{K})$ is measurable space relative to the λ - algebra \mathcal{K} , then $\mathfrak{F} \in \mathcal{K}$. Since $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathfrak{F}$, then $\mathcal{D} = \mathfrak{F} \cap \mathcal{D}$ and $\mathcal{D} \in \mathcal{K}|_{\mathcal{D}}$. Let $B \in \mathcal{K}|_{\mathcal{D}}$ and $F \subset B \subset \mathcal{D}$. Then by Corollary 11, we get $B \in \mathcal{K}$. But $F \subset B \subset \mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathfrak{F}$ and $(\mathfrak{F}, \mathcal{K})$ is measurable space relative to the λ - algebra \mathcal{K} , then $F \in \mathcal{K}$. Now, $F \subset \mathcal{D}$, and $F \in \mathcal{K}$, then by Proposition 10, we have $F \in \mathcal{K}|_{\mathcal{D}}$. Let $B_1, B_2, \dots \in \mathcal{K}|_{\mathcal{D}}$. Then there exist $E_1, E_2, \dots \in \mathcal{K}$ such that $B_i = E_i \cap \mathcal{D}$ where $i=1,2,\dots$, hence $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} B_i = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} (E_i \cap \mathcal{D}) = (\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i) \cap \mathcal{D}$. But $(\mathfrak{F}, \mathcal{K})$ is measurable space relative to the λ - algebra \mathcal{K} and $E_1, E_2, \dots \in \mathcal{K}$, then, $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i \in \mathcal{K}$. Hence, $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} B_i \in \mathcal{K}|_{\mathcal{D}}$. Therefore, $(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{K}|_{\mathcal{D}})$ is measurable space relative to the λ - algebra $\mathcal{K}|_{\mathcal{D}}$.

Example 13

Let $\mathfrak{F} = \{1,2,3,4,5\}$ and $\mathcal{K} = \{ \Phi, \{1\}, \{3\}, \{5\}, \{1,3\}, \{1,5\}, \{3,5\}, \{1,3,5\}, \mathfrak{F} \}$. Then $(\mathfrak{F}, \mathcal{K})$ is measurable space relative to the λ - algebra \mathcal{K} . If $\mathcal{D} = \{1,2,4\}$, then $\mathcal{K}|_{\mathcal{D}} = \{ \Phi, \{1\}, \mathcal{D} \}$, hence $(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{K}|_{\mathcal{D}})$ is measurable space relative to the λ - algebra $\mathcal{K}|_{\mathcal{D}}$ and $\mathcal{K}|_{\mathcal{D}} \subseteq \mathcal{K}$.

Proposition 14

Let $J \subseteq P(\mathfrak{F})$ and $\Phi \neq \mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathfrak{F}$. If \mathcal{K} is a λ - algebra of \mathfrak{F} which includes J , then $\lambda(J)|_{\mathcal{D}}$ is a λ - algebra of a set \mathcal{D} .

Proof

The result follows from Proposition 7 and Proposition 12.

Proposition 15

Let $J \subseteq P(\mathfrak{F})$ and $\Phi \neq \mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathfrak{F}$ and $J|_{\mathcal{D}}$ is the restriction of J over the set \mathcal{D} . Then $\lambda(J|_{\mathcal{D}})$ is the smallest λ - algebra of a set \mathcal{D} , which includes $J|_{\mathcal{D}}$, where $\lambda(J|_{\mathcal{D}}) = \bigcap \{ \mathcal{K}_i|_{\mathcal{D}}: \mathcal{K}_i|_{\mathcal{D}}$ is a λ - algebra of \mathcal{D} , and $\mathcal{K}_i|_{\mathcal{D}} \supseteq J|_{\mathcal{D}}, \forall i \in I \}$.

Proof

From Lemma 5, we get $\lambda(J|_{\mathcal{D}})$ is a λ - algebra of a set \mathcal{D} . To prove that $\lambda(J|_{\mathcal{D}}) \supseteq J|_{\mathcal{D}}$, suppose that each of $\mathcal{K}_i|_{\mathcal{D}}$ is a λ - algebra of a set \mathcal{D} and $\mathcal{K}_i|_{\mathcal{D}} \supseteq J|_{\mathcal{D}}, \forall i \in I$, then $J|_{\mathcal{D}} \subseteq \bigcap_{i \in I} \mathcal{K}_i|_{\mathcal{D}}$, hence $J|_{\mathcal{D}} \subseteq \lambda(J|_{\mathcal{D}})$. Now, let $\mathcal{K}^*|_{\mathcal{D}}$ is a λ - algebra of a set \mathcal{D} such that $\mathcal{K}^*|_{\mathcal{D}} \supseteq J|_{\mathcal{D}}$. Then $\mathcal{K}^*|_{\mathcal{D}} \supseteq \lambda(J|_{\mathcal{D}})$. Therefore, $\lambda(J|_{\mathcal{D}})$ is the smallest λ - algebra of a set \mathcal{D} includes $J|_{\mathcal{D}}$.

Proposition 16

Let $\mathcal{J} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\mathfrak{F})$ and $\Phi \neq \mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathfrak{F}$, define the collection \mathcal{K} as:
 $\mathcal{K} = \{E \subseteq \mathfrak{F}: (E \cap \mathcal{D}) \in \lambda(\mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}})\}$. Then $(\mathfrak{F}, \mathcal{K})$ is measurable space relative to the λ -algebra \mathcal{K} .

Proof

Since $\lambda(\mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}})$ is a λ -algebra of a set \mathcal{D} , then $\Phi, \mathcal{D} \in \lambda(\mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}})$. Since $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathfrak{F}$, then $\mathcal{D} = \mathfrak{F} \cap \mathcal{D}$ and $\mathfrak{F} \in \mathcal{K}$. Let $E \in \mathcal{K}$ and $F \subset E \subset \mathfrak{F}$. Then, $(E \cap \mathcal{D}) \in \lambda(\mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}})$. Since, $F \subset E$, then $(F \cap \mathcal{D}) \subset (E \cap \mathcal{D})$. But $\lambda(\mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}})$ is a λ -algebra of a set \mathcal{D} , which implies that $(F \cap \mathcal{D}) \in \lambda(\mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}})$ and $F \in \mathcal{K}$. Let $E_1, E_2, \dots \in \mathcal{K}$. Then $(E_i \cap \mathcal{D}) \in \lambda(\mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}})$, for all $i=1,2,\dots$, hence $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} (E_i \cap \mathcal{D}) \in \lambda(\mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}})$ and $((\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i) \cap \mathcal{D}) \in \lambda(\mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}})$ implies that $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i \in \mathcal{K}$. Therefore \mathcal{K} is λ -algebra of a set \mathfrak{F} .

Theorem 17

Let $\mathcal{J} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\mathfrak{F})$ and $\Phi \neq \mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathfrak{F}$. Then $\lambda(\mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}}) = \lambda(\mathcal{J})|_{\mathcal{D}}$.

Proof

Let $B \in \mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}}$, then $B = E \cap \mathcal{D}$, for some $E \in \mathcal{J}$. But $\mathcal{J} \subseteq \lambda(\mathcal{J})$, then $E \in \lambda(\mathcal{J})$, thus $B \in \lambda(\mathcal{J})|_{\mathcal{D}}$, hence $\mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}} \subseteq \lambda(\mathcal{J})|_{\mathcal{D}}$, but $\lambda(\mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}})$ is smallest λ -algebra of a set \mathcal{D} , which include $\mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}}$ and $\lambda(\mathcal{J})|_{\mathcal{D}}$ is a λ -algebra of a set \mathcal{D} which include $\mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}}$, then $\lambda(\mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}}) \subseteq \lambda(\mathcal{J})|_{\mathcal{D}}$. Now, define collection \mathcal{K} as: $\mathcal{K} = \{E \subseteq \mathfrak{F} : E \cap \mathcal{D} \in \lambda(\mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}})\}$, then from Proposition 16, we obtain \mathcal{K} is a λ -algebra of a set \mathfrak{F} . Let $C \in \mathcal{J}$, then $(C \cap \mathcal{D}) \in \mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}}$, but $\mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}} \subseteq \lambda(\mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}})$ implies that $(C \cap \mathcal{D}) \in \lambda(\mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}})$, hence $C \in \mathcal{K}$ and $\mathcal{J} \subseteq \mathcal{K}$. Let $B \in \lambda(\mathcal{J})|_{\mathcal{D}}$, then $B = F \cap \mathcal{D}$, for some $F \in \lambda(\mathcal{J})$. But $\lambda(\mathcal{J}) \subseteq \mathcal{K}$, then $F \in \mathcal{K}$, hence $B \in \lambda(\mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}})$ and $\lambda(\mathcal{J})|_{\mathcal{D}} \subseteq \lambda(\mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}})$, consequently $\lambda(\mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}}) = \lambda(\mathcal{J})|_{\mathcal{D}}$.

We end this section by introduce the relationships between α - σ -field, monotone class, β - σ -field and λ -algebra.

Proposition 18

Every λ -algebra is a α - σ -field.

Proof

Let \mathcal{K} be a λ -algebra of a set \mathfrak{F} . Then by definition of λ -algebra, we have $\Phi, \mathfrak{F} \in \mathcal{K}$. Let $D_1, D_2, \dots \in \mathcal{K}$. Since \mathcal{K} is a λ -algebra, then by definition of \mathcal{K} , we have $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} D_i \in \mathcal{K}$. Therefore \mathcal{K} is a α - σ -field.

In general, the converse of above proposition is not true. For example, if $\mathfrak{F} = \{1,2,3\}$ and $\mathcal{K} = \{\Phi, \{1\}, \{1,3\}, \mathfrak{F}\}$, then \mathcal{K} is α - σ -field but not λ -algebra, because $\{1,3\} \in \mathcal{K}$ and $\{3\} \subset \{1,3\}$, but $\{3\} \notin \mathcal{K}$.

Proposition 19

Every λ -algebra is a β - σ -field.

Proof

The proof follows from Proposition 4 and definition of λ -algebra.

In general, the converse of above proposition is not true as shown in following example.

Example 20

Let $\mathfrak{P} = \{1,2,3,4\}$ and $\mathcal{K} = \{ \Phi, \{1\}, \{1,3,4\}, \{3,4\}, \mathfrak{P} \}$. Then, \mathcal{K} is β - σ - field but not λ -algebra, because $\{1,3,4\} \in \mathcal{K}$ and $\{3,4\} \subset \{1,3,4\}$, but $\{3,4\} \notin \mathcal{K}$.

Proposition 21

Every λ -algebra is a monotone class.

Proof

Let \mathcal{K} be a λ -algebra of a set \mathfrak{P} and $D_1, D_2, \dots \in \mathcal{K}$ such that $D_i \uparrow D$. Then $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} D_i = D$. Since \mathcal{K} is a λ -algebra, then by definition of \mathcal{K} , we have $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} D_i \in \mathcal{K}$ which implies that $D \in \mathcal{K}$. Let $D_1, D_2, \dots \in \mathcal{K}$ such that $D_i \downarrow D$. Then, $\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} D_i = D$, but \mathcal{K} is a λ -algebra, implies that $\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} D_i \in \mathcal{K}$ and $D \in \mathcal{K}$. Hence \mathcal{K} is a monotone class.

In general, the converse of above proposition is not true. For example, if $\mathfrak{P} = \{1,2,3\}$ and $\mathbb{M} = \{ \Phi, \{1\}, \{1,2\} \}$, then \mathbb{M} is a monotone class, but not λ -algebra, because $\{1,2\} \in \mathbb{M}$ and $\{2\} \subset \{1,2\}$, but $\{2\} \notin \mathbb{M}$.

Definition 22 [6]

Let $\mathcal{J} \subseteq P(\mathfrak{P})$. Then the intersection of all monotone classes of \mathfrak{P} which include \mathcal{J} is called the monotone class generated by \mathcal{J} and denoted by $\mathbb{M}(\mathcal{J})$, that is, $\mathbb{M}(\mathcal{J}) = \bigcap \{ \mathbb{M}_i : \mathbb{M}_i \text{ is a monotone class of } \mathfrak{P} \text{ and } \mathcal{J} \subseteq \mathbb{M}_i, \forall i \in I \}$.

Lemma 23 [6]

Let $\{ \mathbb{M}_i \}_{i \in I}$ be a collection of monotone classes on \mathfrak{P} . Then $\bigcap_{i \in I} \mathbb{M}_i$ is a monotone class on \mathfrak{P} .

Proposition 24 [6]

Let $\mathcal{J} \subseteq P(\mathfrak{P})$. Then $\mathbb{M}(\mathcal{J})$ is the smallest monotone class of \mathfrak{P} which includes \mathcal{J} .

Theorem 25

Let $\mathcal{J} \subseteq P(\mathfrak{P})$. Then $\mathbb{M}(\mathcal{J}) \subseteq \lambda(\mathcal{J})$.

Proof

Let $\mathcal{J} \subseteq P(\mathfrak{P})$. Then by Proposition 7, we have $\lambda(\mathcal{J})$ is a λ -algebra of \mathfrak{P} which includes \mathcal{J} . From Proposition 21, we have, every λ -algebra is a monotone class, implies that $\lambda(\mathcal{J})$ is a monotone class which includes \mathcal{J} . But $\mathbb{M}(\mathcal{J})$ is the smallest monotone class which includes \mathcal{J} by Proposition 24, then $\mathbb{M}(\mathcal{J}) \subseteq \lambda(\mathcal{J})$.

3. Measure Defined on λ - algebra

Our aim in this section is to prove that any measure defined on λ - algebra is complete. We begin with the notions of measure on λ - algebra.

Definition 26

Let $(\mathfrak{P}, \mathcal{K})$ is measurable space relative to the λ -algebra \mathcal{K} . Then, a set function $\mathfrak{M}, \mathfrak{M}: \mathcal{K} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ is called measure relative to the λ -algebra \mathcal{K} if whenever D_1, D_2, \dots form a finite or countably infinite collection of disjoint sets in \mathcal{K} , we have $\mathfrak{M}(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} D_n) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathfrak{M}(D_n)$ and $\mathfrak{M}(\Phi) = 0$.

Example 27

Let $\mathfrak{P} = \{1,2,3\}$ and $\mathcal{K} = \{ \Phi, \{1\}, \{3\}, \{1,3\}, \mathfrak{P} \}$. Then $(\mathfrak{P}, \mathcal{K})$ is measurable space relative to the λ - algebra \mathcal{K} . If we define a set function $\mathfrak{M}: \mathcal{K} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ by

$$\mathfrak{M}(D) = \begin{cases} 0 & ; \text{if } D = \Phi \\ \frac{1}{2} & ; \text{if } D = \{1\} \text{ or } \{3\} \\ 1 & ; \text{other wise} \end{cases}$$

Then \mathfrak{M} is a measure relative to the λ - algebra \mathcal{K} .

Definition 28

A measure space relative to the λ - algebra \mathcal{K} is a triple $(\mathfrak{P}, \mathcal{K}, \mathfrak{M})$ where $(\mathfrak{P}, \mathcal{K})$ is measurable space relative to the λ - algebra \mathcal{K} and \mathfrak{M} is a measure relative to the λ - algebra \mathcal{K} .

In the following Theorem, we use mathematical induction to prove that the linear combination of measure relative to the λ - algebra \mathcal{K} is also measure relative to the λ - algebra \mathcal{K} .

Theorem 29

Let $(\mathfrak{P}, \mathcal{K}, \mathfrak{M}_j)$ be a measure space relative to the λ - algebra \mathcal{K} and $c_j \in [0, \infty)$ for all $j = 1, 2, \dots, k$. If a set function $\sum_{j=1}^k c_j \mathfrak{M}_j: \mathfrak{P} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ is defined by:

$(\sum_{j=1}^k c_j \mathfrak{M}_j)(D) = \sum_{j=1}^k c_j \cdot \mathfrak{M}_j(D) \forall D \in \mathfrak{P}$, then $(\mathfrak{P}, \mathcal{K}, \sum_{j=1}^k c_j \mathfrak{M}_j)$ is measure space relative to the λ - algebra \mathcal{K} .

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} \text{If } k = 2, \text{ then } (c_1 \mathfrak{M}_1 + c_2 \mathfrak{M}_2)(\Phi) &= c_1 \cdot \mathfrak{M}_1(\Phi) + c_2 \cdot \mathfrak{M}_2(\Phi) \\ &= c_1 \cdot 0 + c_2 \cdot 0 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Let D_1, D_2, \dots are disjoint sets in \mathcal{K} . Since \mathfrak{M}_j is measure relative to the λ - algebra \mathcal{K} , $j = 1, 2$

Then, $\mathfrak{M}_j(\cup_{n=1}^{\infty} D_n) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathfrak{M}_j(D_n)$. So, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (c_1 \mathfrak{M}_1 + c_2 \mathfrak{M}_2)(\cup_{n=1}^{\infty} D_n) &= c_1 \cdot \mathfrak{M}_1(\cup_{n=1}^{\infty} D_n) + c_2 \cdot \mathfrak{M}_2(\cup_{n=1}^{\infty} D_n) \\ &= c_1 \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathfrak{M}_1(D_n) + c_2 \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathfrak{M}_2(D_n) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_1 \cdot \mathfrak{M}_1(D_n) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_2 \cdot \mathfrak{M}_2(D_n) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [c_1 \cdot \mathfrak{M}_1(D_n) + c_2 \cdot \mathfrak{M}_2(D_n)] \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (c_1 \mathfrak{M}_1 + c_2 \mathfrak{M}_2)(D_n) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $(\mathfrak{P}, \mathcal{K}, (c_1 \mathfrak{M}_1 + c_2 \mathfrak{M}_2))$ is measure space relative to the λ - algebra \mathcal{K} .

Now, we assume that $(\mathfrak{P}, \mathcal{K}, \sum_{j=1}^k c_j \mathfrak{M}_j)$ is measure space relative to the λ - algebra \mathcal{K} , when $k = m$ and we prove this fact when $k = m + 1$. Let $(\mathfrak{P}, \mathcal{K}, \mathfrak{M}_j)$ be a measure space relative to the λ - algebra \mathcal{K} and $c_j \in [0, \infty)$ for all $j = 1, 2, \dots, m, m + 1$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (\sum_{j=1}^{m+1} c_j \mathfrak{M}_j)(\Phi) &= (\sum_{j=1}^m c_j \mathfrak{M}_j + c_{m+1} \mathfrak{M}_{m+1})(\Phi) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^m c_j \cdot \mathfrak{M}_j(\Phi) + c_{m+1} \cdot \mathfrak{M}_{m+1}(\Phi) \\ &= 0 \text{ since, } \mathfrak{M}_j \text{ is measure relative to the } \lambda\text{- algebra } \mathcal{K}. \end{aligned}$$

Let D_1, D_2, \dots are disjoint sets in \mathcal{K} . Since $(\mathfrak{P}, \mathcal{K}, \sum_{j=1}^m c_j \mathfrak{M}_j)$ is measure space relative to the λ - algebra \mathcal{K} , then $\sum_{j=1}^m c_j \mathfrak{M}_j(\cup_{n=1}^{\infty} D_n) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [\sum_{j=1}^m c_j \mathfrak{M}_j](D_n)$. So, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\sum_{j=1}^{m+1} c_j \mathfrak{M}_j) (\cup_{n=1}^{\infty} D_n) &= (\sum_{j=1}^m c_j \mathfrak{M}_j + c_{m+1} \mathfrak{M}_{m+1}) (\cup_{n=1}^{\infty} D_n) \\
 &= \sum_{j=1}^m c_j \cdot \mathfrak{M}_j (\cup_{n=1}^{\infty} D_n) + c_{m+1} \cdot \mathfrak{M}_{m+1} (\cup_{n=1}^{\infty} D_n) \\
 &= (\sum_{j=1}^m c_j \mathfrak{M}_j) (\cup_{n=1}^{\infty} D_n) + c_{m+1} \cdot \mathfrak{M}_{m+1} (\cup_{n=1}^{\infty} D_n) \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\sum_{j=1}^m c_j \mathfrak{M}_j) (D_n) + c_{m+1} \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathfrak{M}_{m+1} (D_n) \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [\sum_{j=1}^m c_j \cdot \mathfrak{M}_j (D_n)] + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_{m+1} \cdot \mathfrak{M}_{m+1} (D_n) \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [\sum_{j=1}^m c_j \cdot \mathfrak{M}_j (D_n) + c_{m+1} \cdot \mathfrak{M}_{m+1} (D_n)] \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [\sum_{j=1}^m c_j \mathfrak{M}_j + c_{m+1} \mathfrak{M}_{m+1}] (D_n) \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [\sum_{j=1}^{m+1} c_j \mathfrak{M}_j] (D_n).
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\sum_{j=1}^{m+1} c_j \mathfrak{M}_j$ is measure relative to \mathcal{K} , therefore $(\mathfrak{P}, \mathcal{K}, \sum_{j=1}^k c_j \mathfrak{M}_j)$ is measure space relative to the λ - algebra \mathcal{K} .

Definition 30 [1]

A measure on a σ - field \mathcal{K} is a nonnegative, extended real-valued set function \mathfrak{M} on \mathcal{K} such that whenever A_1, A_2, \dots form a finite or countably infinite collection of disjoint sets in \mathcal{K} , we have, $\mathfrak{M}(\cup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathfrak{M}(A_n)$.

Definition 31 [1, 3]

A measure \mathfrak{M} on a σ -field \mathcal{K} is said to be complete iff whenever $A \in \mathcal{K}$ and $\mathfrak{M}(A) = 0$, we have $B \in \mathcal{K}$ for all $B \subset A$.

The following example shows that, if \mathfrak{M} is a measure on σ -field \mathcal{K} , then not necessarily that \mathfrak{M} is complete.

Example 32

Let $\mathfrak{P} = \{1, 2, 3\}$ and $\mathcal{K} = \{ \Phi, \{1\}, \{2, 3\}, \mathfrak{P} \}$. Then \mathcal{K} is σ -field of a set \mathfrak{P} . If we define a set function $\mathfrak{M}: \mathcal{K} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ by

$$\mathfrak{M}(D) = \begin{cases} 0 & ; \text{if } D = \Phi \text{ or } D = \{2, 3\} \\ 1 & ; \text{other wise} \end{cases}$$

Then \mathfrak{M} is a measure on σ -field \mathcal{K} , it is clear that \mathfrak{M} is not complete, because $\{2, 3\} \in \mathcal{K}$ and $\mathfrak{M}(\{2, 3\}) = 0$, now $\{2\}, \{3\} \subset \{2, 3\}$, but $\{2\}, \{3\} \notin \mathcal{K}$.

Theorem 33

Every measure relative to the λ - algebra is complete.

Proof

Let \mathfrak{M} be a measure relative to the λ - algebra \mathcal{K} . Assume that $A \in \mathcal{K}$ such that $\mathfrak{M}(A) = 0$, since \mathcal{K} is a λ - algebra, then $B \in \mathcal{K}$ for all $B \subset A$. Therefore \mathfrak{M} is complete measure.

Example 34

Let $\mathfrak{P} = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $\mathcal{K} = \{ \Phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{a, c\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \mathfrak{P} \}$. Then \mathcal{K} is λ - algebra of a set \mathfrak{P} . If we define a set function $\mathfrak{M}: \mathcal{K} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ by

$$\mathfrak{M}(D) = \begin{cases} 0 & ; \text{if } D \neq \mathfrak{P} \\ 1 & ; \text{if } D = \mathfrak{P} \end{cases}$$

Then \mathfrak{M} is a measure on λ -algebra \mathcal{K} . Now, for any $A \in \mathcal{K}$ such that $\mathfrak{M}(A) = 0$, then $B \in \mathcal{K}$ for all $B \subset A$. Therefore \mathfrak{M} is complete measure.

4. Conclusions

The main results of this paper are the following:

- (1) Let $\{\mathcal{K}_i\}_{i \in I}$ be a collection of λ -algebra on \mathfrak{F} . Then $\bigcap_{i \in I} \mathcal{K}_i$ is a λ -algebra on \mathfrak{F} .
- (2) Let $\mathcal{J} \subseteq P(\mathfrak{F})$. Then $\lambda(\mathcal{J})$ is the smallest λ -algebra of \mathfrak{F} which includes \mathcal{J} .
- (3) Let $\mathcal{J} \subseteq P(\mathfrak{F})$. Then \mathcal{J} is a λ -algebra of a set \mathfrak{F} if and only if $\mathcal{J} = \lambda(\mathcal{J})$.
- (4) Let $\mathcal{J} \subseteq P(\mathfrak{F})$ and $\Phi \neq \mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathfrak{F}$. If \mathcal{K} is a λ -algebra of \mathfrak{F} which includes \mathcal{J} , then $\lambda(\mathcal{J})|_{\mathcal{D}}$ is a λ -algebra of a set \mathcal{D} .
- (5) Let $\mathcal{J} \subseteq P(\mathfrak{F})$ and $\Phi \neq \mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathfrak{F}$. Then $\lambda(\mathcal{J}|_{\mathcal{D}}) = \lambda(\mathcal{J})|_{\mathcal{D}}$.
- (6) Every λ -algebra is a α - σ -field.
- (7) Every λ -algebra is a β - σ -field.
- (8) Every λ -algebra is a monotone class.
- (9) Let \mathcal{J} be a collection of subsets of a nonempty set \mathfrak{F} . Then $\mathfrak{M}(\mathcal{J}) \subseteq \lambda(\mathcal{J})$.
- (10) Let $(\mathfrak{F}, \mathcal{K}, \mathfrak{M}_j)$ be a measure space relative to the λ -algebra \mathcal{K} and $c_j \in [0, \infty)$ for all $j = 1, 2, \dots, k$. If a set function $\sum_{j=1}^k c_j \mathfrak{M}_j: \mathcal{D} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ is defined by: $(\sum_{j=1}^k c_j \mathfrak{M}_j)(D) = \sum_{j=1}^k c_j \cdot \mathfrak{M}_j(D) \forall D \in \mathcal{D}$, then $(\mathfrak{F}, \mathcal{K}, \sum_{j=1}^k c_j \mathfrak{M}_j)$ is measure space relative to the λ -algebra \mathcal{K} .
- (11) Every measure relative to the λ -algebra is complete.

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