

Probability

- The sample space Ω is the set of all possible outcomes.

e.g. $\Omega = \{H, T\}, \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}, \{R, B, G, Y, O, P\}$

↘ Single coin flip

↘ Single die roll

- * An event specifies the outcome we are interested in. It is a subset of the sample space.

e.g. $\{4\}$ rolling 4

$\{2, 4, 6\}$ rolling an even number

} The elements of the event space

all satisfy the event specified and none other.

- A σ -algebra ($\mathcal{F}$) is a collection of subsets of the sample space Ω that satisfy the following properties.

$$\Omega \in \mathcal{F}$$

$$\emptyset \in \mathcal{F}$$

if $A \in \mathcal{F}$ then $\Omega \setminus A \in \mathcal{F}$

if $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots \in \mathcal{F}$ then $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \mathcal{F}$

These axioms allow for a measure space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ to be defined. Those subsets which are measurable can be in the σ -algebra and can be assigned probabilities

* An event is a subset that: 1) Satisfy the event specified

2) belong to $\mathcal{F}$

This ensure that probability can be defined for these events.

→ Events are elements of the σ -Algebra and the latter determines which subset of Ω are valid events.

- A probability space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ is a measure that ensures all elements of $\mathcal{F}$ sum up to 1.

It obeys the axioms of the σ -algebra as well as the following:

$$P(\emptyset) = 0$$

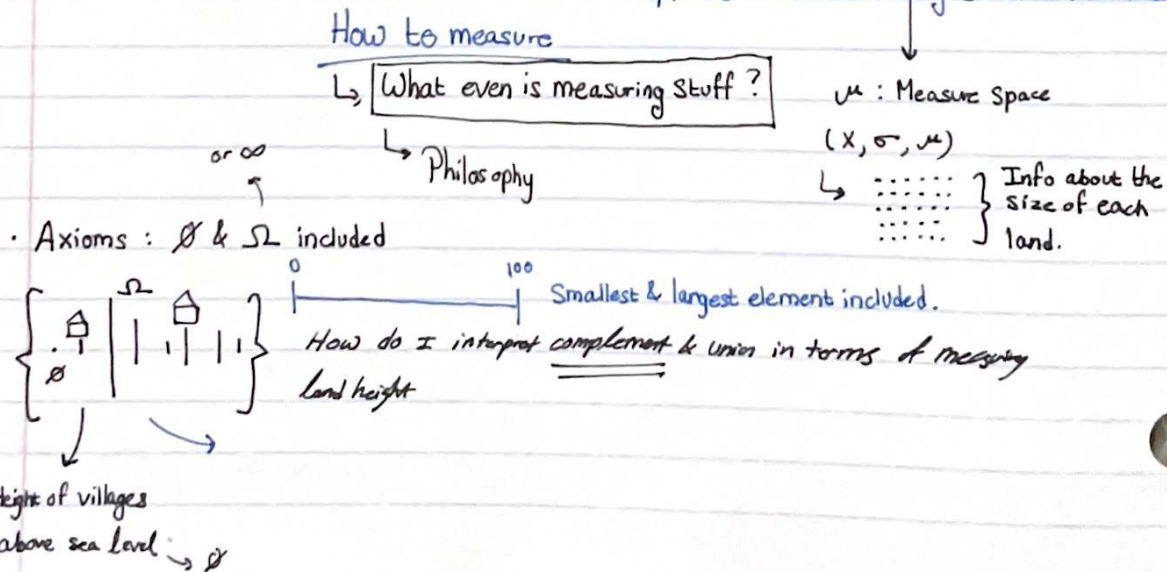
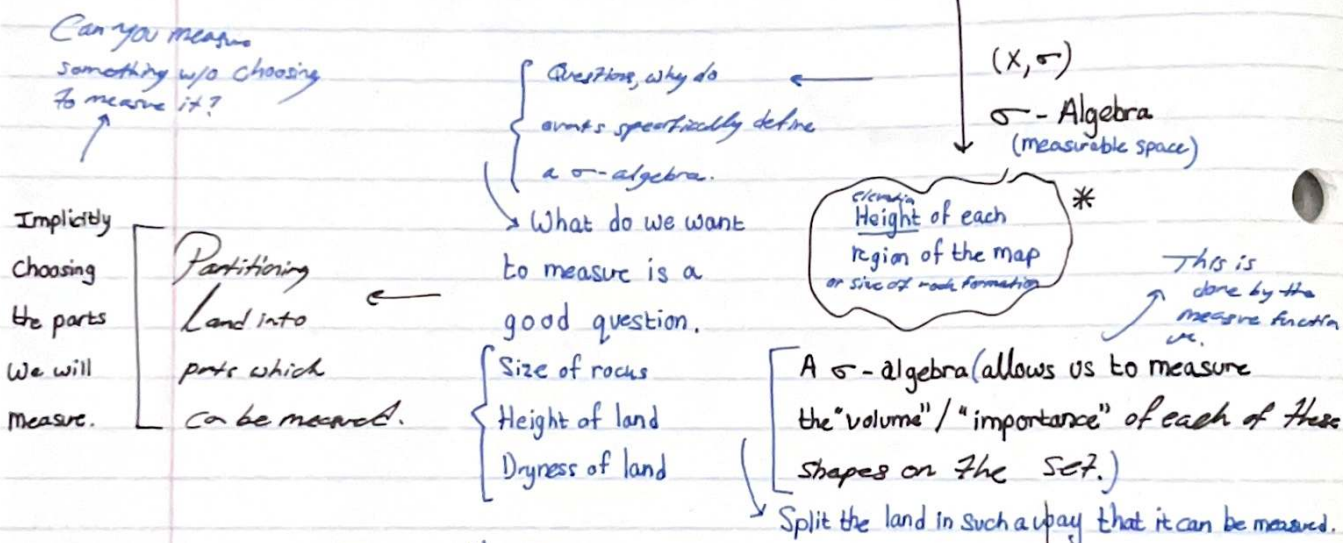
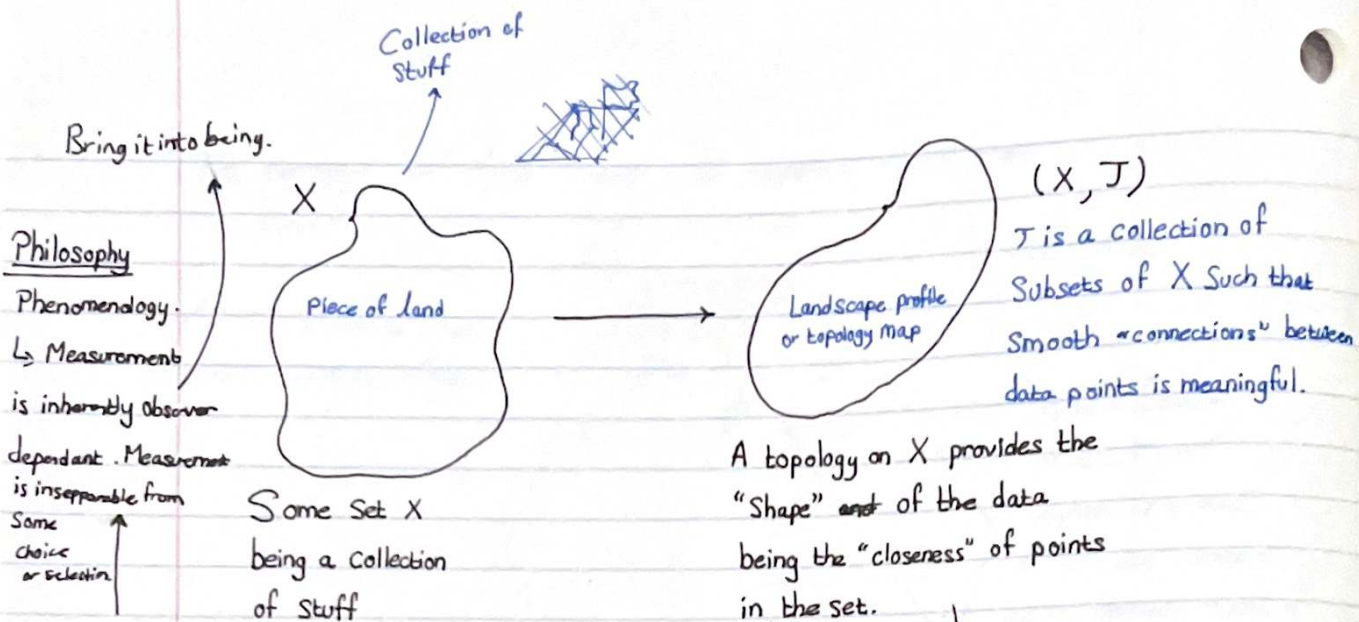
$$P(\Omega) = 1$$

$$P(A) \geq 0$$

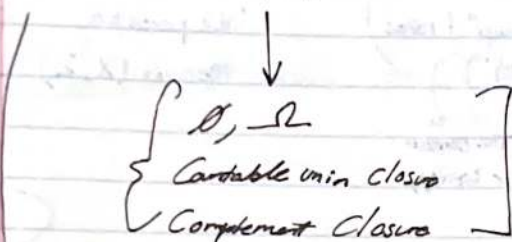
$$P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(A_i)$$

These ensure that probability is calculated as traditionally done.

~~You don't need to think to live.
You don't need to be smart to live.
You don't need to solve problems to live.
Don't think too much.~~



Measure μ & Measurable Space (X, Σ) = Measure Space (X, Σ, μ)



Countable additive ✓

Elements of a measurable space are measurable sets

Why do the axioms make them measurable?

What can we measure?

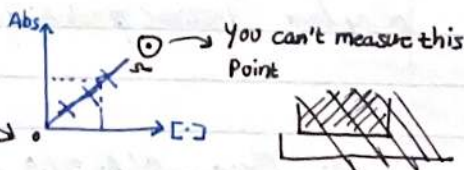
* A measurable space is a set equipped with a σ -algebra structure. (X, Σ)

→ Collection of subsets of X .

In our case, a Subset would correspond to choosing a region of the landscape profile.

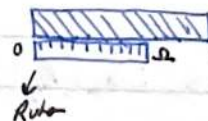
Axioms: There is an empty region ($\emptyset$) and the whole region (X or Ω) as part of the measurement structure.

① The measurement system is closed.



② Closed under complementarity.

↳ When we choose a subset A of landscape, we implicitly state that it is not A^c (relative to universal set Ω)



Can't measure this point too. $C = A + B$

③ Closed under union

↳ Choosing piece of land A & B together makes it as a single choice of larger piece of land C

You can't measure something without choosing to measure it.

Same as choosing over.



Pushforward Measure

A pushforward measure is obtained by transferring a measure from one measurable space to another using a measurable function.

Given measurable spaces (X_1, Σ_1) and (X_2, Σ_2) , a measurable mapping $f: X_1 \rightarrow X_2$ and a measure $\mu: \Sigma_1 \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$

$$\mu: \Sigma_1 \rightarrow [0, +\infty],$$

the pushforward of μ is defined to be the measure $f_*(\mu): \Sigma_2 \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$ given by

$$f_*(\mu)(B) = \mu(f^{-1}(B)) \text{ for } B \in \Sigma_2$$

The pushforward measure is also denoted $f_{\#}\mu$

Ensures measure of events occur properly

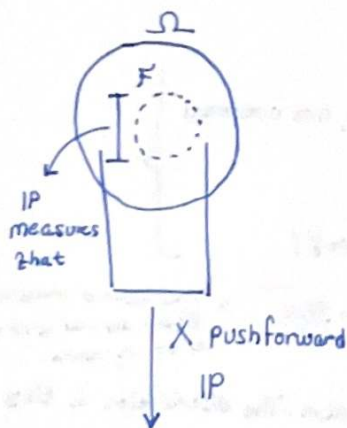
this is defined as IP on $\mathcal{F}$

In terms of probability, A random variable pushforward the probability measure IP defined on a probability space to the real line (equipped with a Borel σ -algebra).

→ To also allow for measure to be defined consistently.

$$\underbrace{IP_X(B)}_{X_{\#}IP} = IP(X^{-1}(B)) \text{ for } B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$$

IP_X reflects the distribution of the probability on $\mathbb{R}$.



You need a good number system to be able to write probability density functions.

The pushforward transfers that probability to that number system so it can be captured in equations and interpreted numerically.

This is the thing that is captured by probability density functions.

This was evaluated by IP involving $\mathcal{F}$ & Ω

$$IP: \mathcal{F} \rightarrow [0, 1]$$

Now, the measure IP must also in some way involve Ω for the ^{notion} measure of probability to be relevant.