

Real Analysis, Math 821.

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Assignment XI.

1. **Problem 1.** a) Let $E := \cup_{k=1}^{\infty} E_k \subset \mathbf{R}$, $E_k := [2^{-2k-1}, 2^{-2k}] \cup [-2^{-2k}, -2^{-2k-1}]$. Show that at 0, E has upper density $2/3$ and lower density $1/3$. In other words, show that

$$\overline{\lim}_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{m(E \cap (-\delta, \delta))}{2\delta} = \frac{2}{3}, \quad \underline{\lim}_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{m(E \cap (-\delta, \delta))}{2\delta} = \frac{1}{3}.$$

b) Construct a set $E \subset \mathbf{R}$ which has density $1/2$ at the origin.

c) Suppose that E is a measurable set of real numbers with arbitrary small periods, i.e., there exists a sequence $(p_i)_{i=1}^{\infty}$, $p_i > 0$, $p_i \rightarrow 0$ as $i \rightarrow \infty$, so that $E + p_i = E \forall i$. Prove that either $m(E) = 0$ or $m(\mathbf{R} \setminus E) = 0$.

Hint: Pick $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}$, and put $f(x) := m(E \cap [\alpha, x])$ for $x > \alpha$. Show that

$$f(x + p_i) - f(x - p_i) = f(y + p_i) - f(y - p_i), \quad \alpha + p_i < x < y.$$

What does this imply about $f'(x)$ if $m(E) > 0$?

d) Suppose that f is Lebesgue measurable on \mathbf{R} with periods s, t , $s/t \in \mathbf{R} \setminus \mathbf{Q}$ ($\forall x \in \mathbf{R}$, $f(x + t) = f(x)$, $f(x + s) = f(x)$). Prove that $f(x) = \text{const}$ almost everywhere, but f need not to be a constant.

Hint: Apply c) to the set $\{x \in \mathbf{R} : f(x) > \lambda\}$, where $\lambda > 0$.

2. **Problem 2.** In this exercise f is a continuous function on $[a, b]$, $F, E \subset [a, b]$ are measurable.

a) Let F be closed. Prove that $f(F)$ is closed.

b) Let F be F_{σ} , then $f(F)$ is F_{σ} .

Definition (Lusin). We say that f has N -property, if $m(f(E)) = 0 \forall E : m(E) = 0$.

c) Prove that absolutely continuous function has N -property.

d) Show that $f(E)$ is measurable $\forall E$ measurable **iff** f has N -property.

Hint. To prove part **if**, observe that f does not have N -property, implies the existence of E , such that $m(E) = 0$, and $\mu^*(f(E)) > 0$. Then there exists $B \subset f(E)$ which is not measurable (why?). Consider $A := f^{-1}(B) \subset E$. Show that A is measurable, and get a contradiction.

e) Prove that an absolutely continuous function maps measurable sets onto measurable sets.

f) Construct a **continuous** one-to-one mapping of $[0, 1]$ onto $[0, 2]$ which does not have N -property.

Hint: Consider $f(x) = c(x) + x$, where $c(x)$ is the Cantor ladder, defined in Problem 3, Assignment 7. What is the measure of the image of the Cantor set?

3. **Problem 3.** This exercise helps to understand “the change of variables” in the Lebesgue integral.

Let $(a, b) \subset \mathbf{R}$ be bounded.

a) Choose intervals $W_n \subset (a, b)$ in such way that $\cup_n W_n$ is dense in (a, b) , and the set $K := (a, b) \setminus \cup_n W_n$ has positive measure.

b) Choose continuous functions ϕ_n on W_n so that $\phi_n(x) = 0$ outside W_n , and $0 < \phi_n(x) < 2^{-n}$ in W_n .

Put

$$\phi(x) := \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \phi_n(x), \quad T(x) := \int_a^x \phi(t) dt, \quad x \in (a, b).$$

c) Prove that T is one-to-one, and differentiable at every point.

d) Prove that T' is continuous, $T'(x) = 0, \forall x \in K, m(T(K)) = 0$.

e) Prove that if E is a nonmeasurable subset of K (why it exists?), then $1_{T(E)}(x)$ is measurable, but $1_{T(E)}(Tx)$ is not.

Observe that ϕ_n can be chosen such that T is *infinitely differentiable homeomorphism* of (a, b) onto some segment in \mathbf{R} .

4. **Problem 4.** This exercise is a part of the proof of “the change of variables” in the Lebesgue integral.

Let ϕ be increasing and absolutely continuous function on $[p, q], x = \phi(t), a = \phi(p), b = \phi(q)$.

a) Let E_t me a measurable subset of $[p, q], E_x := \phi(E_t)$. Prove that

$$m(E_x) = \int_{E_t} \phi'(t) dt$$

Hint. Prove this at first for $E_t = [\alpha, \beta]$. Then for (α, β) , open and closed E_t . In the general case, find closed F_x , and open G_x such that $\forall \epsilon > 0$,

$$F_x \subset E_x \subset G_x \subset (a, b), \quad m(F_x) > m(E_x) - \epsilon, \quad m(G_x) < m(E_x) + \epsilon.$$

Consider $F_t := \phi^{-1}(F_x), G_t := \phi^{-1}(G_x)$, and observe that

$$m(F_x) \leq \int_{E_t} \phi'(t) dt \leq m(G_x).$$

b) Let all notation be as in a), and let $e_x \subset [a, b], m(e_x) = 0, e_t = \phi^{-1}(e_x)$. Prove that

$$m(e_t^*) = 0, \quad e_t^* := \{t \in e_t : \phi'(t) = 0 \text{ is false}\}.$$

Hint: Observe that

$$e_x \subset G_x^n \subset G_x^{n-1} \subset \dots \subset G_x^2 \subset G_x^1 \subset (a, b), \quad m(G_x^n) \rightarrow 0.$$

Define

$$H_x := \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} G_x^n, \quad H_t := \phi^{-1}(H_x), \quad G_t^n := \phi^{-1}(G_x^n),$$

and prove that H_t is measurable, and $m(H_x) = 0$. Show that $\int_{H_t} \phi'(t) dt = 0$.