

**Functions of Real Variables 1 (62051/72051)**  
**Home Work 9, due on Tuesday November 26.**  
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**Problem 1.** *Prove the following variant of the Vitali covering lemma: If  $E$  is covered in the Vitali sense by a family  $\mathcal{B}$  of balls, and  $m_*(E) \in (0, \infty)$ , then for every  $\nu > 0$  there exists a disjoint collection of balls  $\{B_j\}_{j=1}^\infty$  in  $\mathcal{B}$  such that*

$$m_*(E \setminus \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} B_j) = 0 \text{ and } \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |B_j| \leq (1 + \nu)m_*(E).$$

**Problem 2.** *Construct an increasing function on  $\mathbb{R}$  whose set of discontinuities is precisely  $\mathbb{Q}$ .*

**Problem 3.** *Suppose  $F$  is an increasing function on  $[a, b]$ .*

- *Prove that we can decompose  $F$  as  $F = F_A + F_C + F_J$ , where  $F_A, F_C, F_J$  are increasing,  $F_A$  is absolutely continuous;  $F_C$  is continuous and  $F_J$  is a jump function.*
- *Please, also show that  $F_A, F_C$  and  $F_J$  are uniquely determined for each  $F$  up to an additive constant.*

*Note, that the above construction is the Lebesgue decomposition of  $F$ .*