

Math 8100 Assignment 1

Preliminaries

Due date: Tuesday the 27th of August 2019

1. The **Cantor set** \mathcal{C} is the set of all $x \in [0, 1]$ that have a ternary expansion $x = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k 3^{-k}$ with $a_k \neq 1$ for all k . Thus \mathcal{C} is obtained from $[0, 1]$ by removing the open middle third $(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$, then removing the open middle thirds $(\frac{1}{9}, \frac{2}{9})$ and $(\frac{7}{9}, \frac{8}{9})$ of the two remaining intervals, and so forth.
 - (a) Find a real number x belonging to the Cantor set which is not the endpoint of one of the intervals used in its construction.
 - (b) Prove that \mathcal{C} is both nowhere dense (and hence meager) and has measure zero.
 - (c) Prove that \mathcal{C} is uncountable by showing that the function $f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k 2^{-k}$ where $b_k = a_k/2$, maps \mathcal{C} onto $[0, 1]$.
2. A set $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is called an F_σ set if it can be written as the countable union of closed subsets of \mathbb{R}^n . A set $B \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is called a G_δ set if it can be written as the countable intersection of open subsets of \mathbb{R}^n .
 - (a) Argue that a set is a G_δ set if and only if its complement is an F_σ set.
 - (b) Show that every closed set is a G_δ set and every open set is an F_σ set.

Hint: One approach is to prove that every open subset of \mathbb{R}^n can be written as a countable union of closed cubes with disjoint interiors. This approach is however very specific to open sets in \mathbb{R}^n .
 - (c) Give an example of an F_σ set which is not a G_δ set and a set which is neither an F_σ nor a G_δ set.
3. (a) Let $\{r_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be any enumeration of all the rationals in $[0, 1]$ and define $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by setting

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{n} & \text{if } x = r_n \\ 0 & \text{if } x \in [0, 1] \setminus \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}.$$

Prove that $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = 0$ for every $c \in [0, 1]$ and conclude that set of all points at which f is discontinuous is precisely $[0, 1] \cap \mathbb{Q}$.

- (b) Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be bounded.

i. Recall that we defined the *oscillation of f at x* to be

$$\omega_f(x) := \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \sup_{y, z \in B_\delta(x)} |f(y) - f(z)|.$$

Briefly explain why this is a well defined notion and prove that

$$f \text{ is continuous at } x \iff \omega_f(x) = 0.$$

- ii. Prove that for every $\varepsilon > 0$ the set $A_\varepsilon = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : \omega_f(x) \geq \varepsilon\}$ is closed and deduce from this that the set of all points at which f is discontinuous is an F_σ set.

4. Let $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be any enumeration of a given countable set $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}$. For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ define

$$f_n(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x > x_n \\ 0 & \text{if } x \leq x_n \end{cases}.$$

Prove that

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} f_n(x)$$

defines an increasing function f on \mathbb{R} that is continuous on $\mathbb{R} \setminus X$.

5. Let $C([0, 1])$ denote the collection of all real-valued continuous functions with domain $[0, 1]$.
- Show that $d_\infty(f, g) = \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} |f(x) - g(x)|$ defines a metric on $C([0, 1])$ and that with the “uniform” metric $C([0, 1])$ is in fact a *complete* metric space.
 - Prove that the unit ball $\{f \in C([0, 1]) : d_\infty(f, 0) \leq 1\}$ is closed and bounded, but *not* compact.
 - ** Challenge: Can you show that $C([0, 1])$ with the metric d_∞ is not *totally bounded*.
A set is *totally bounded* if, for every $\varepsilon > 0$, it can be covered by finitely many balls of radius ε .
6. Let

$$g(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1 + n^2 x}.$$

- Show that the series defining g does not converge uniformly on $(0, \infty)$, but none the less still defines a continuous function on $(0, \infty)$.
Hint for the first part: Show that if $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g_n(x)$ converges uniformly on a set X , then the sequence of functions $\{g_n\}$ must converge uniformly to 0 on X .
 - Is g differentiable on $(0, \infty)$? If so, is the derivative function g' continuous on $(0, \infty)$?
7. Let $h_n(x) = \frac{x}{(1+x)^{n+1}}$.
- Prove that h_n converges uniformly to 0 on $[0, \infty)$.
 - Verify that

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h_n(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}$$

- Does $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h_n$ converge uniformly on $[0, \infty)$?
- Prove that $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h_n$ converges uniformly on $[a, \infty)$ for any $a > 0$.

Extra Challenge Problems

Not to be handed in with the assignment

- Given an arbitrary F_σ set V , can you produce a function whose discontinuities lie precisely in V ?
Hint: First try to do this for an arbitrary closed set.
- (Baire Category Theorem) Prove that if X is a non-empty *complete* metric space, then X cannot be written as a countable union of nowhere dense sets.
Hint: Modify the proof given in class of the special case $X = \mathbb{R}$ replacing the use of the nested interval property with the following fact (which you should prove):
If $F_1 \supseteq F_2 \supseteq \dots$ is a nested sequence of closed non-empty and bounded sets in a complete metric space X with $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \text{diam } F_n = 0$, then $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n$ contains exactly one point.
- Complete the proof, sketched in class, of the so-called Lebesgue Criterion: *A bounded function on an interval $[a, b]$ is Riemann integrable if and only if its set of discontinuities has measure zero.*
 - Prove that if the set of discontinuities of f has measure zero, then f is Riemann integrable.
[Hint: Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Cover the compact set A_ε (defined in Q3(b)ii. above) by a finite number of open intervals whose total length is $\leq \varepsilon$. Select an appropriate partition of $[a, b]$ and estimate the difference between the upper and lower sums of f over this partition.]
 - Prove that if f is Riemann integrable on $[a, b]$, then its set of discontinuities has measure zero.
[Hint: The set of discontinuities of f is contained in $\bigcup_n A_{1/n}$. Given $\varepsilon > 0$, choose a partition P such that $U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \varepsilon/n$. Show that the total length of the intervals in P whose interiors intersect $A_{1/n}$ is $\leq \varepsilon$.]

Math 8100 Assignment 2

Lebesgue measure and outer measure

Due date: Wednesday the 5th of September 2018

1. Prove that if $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ with $m_*(E) = 0$, then $E^2 := \{x^2 \mid x \in E\}$ also has Lebesgue outer measure zero.

Hint: First consider the case when E is a bounded subset of \mathbb{R} .

[To what extent can you generalize this result?]

2. Prove that if E_1 and E_2 are measurable subsets of \mathbb{R}^n , then

$$m(E_1 \cup E_2) + m(E_1 \cap E_2) = m(E_1) + m(E_2).$$

3. Suppose that $A \subseteq E \subseteq B$, where A and B are Lebesgue measurable subsets on \mathbb{R}^n .

- (a) Prove that if $m(A) = m(B) < \infty$, then E is measurable.
- (b) Give an example showing that the same conclusion does not hold if A and B have infinite measure.

4. Suppose A and B are a pair of compact subsets of \mathbb{R}^n with $A \subseteq B$, and let $a = m(A)$ and $b = m(B)$. Prove that for any c with $a < c < b$, there is a compact set E with $A \subseteq E \subseteq B$ and $m(E) = c$.

Hint: As a warm-up example, consider the one dimensional example where A a compact measurable subset of $B := [0, 1]$ and the quantity $m(A) + t - m(A \cap [0, t])$ as a function of t .

5. Let \mathcal{N} denote the non-measurable subset of $[0, 1]$ that was constructed in lecture.

- (a) Prove that if E is a measurable subset of \mathcal{N} , then $m(E) = 0$.
- (b) Show that $m_*([0, 1] \setminus \mathcal{N}) = 1$
[Hint: Argue by contradiction and pick an open set G such that $[0, 1] \setminus \mathcal{N} \subseteq G \subseteq [0, 1]$ with $m_(G) \leq 1 - \varepsilon$.]*
- (c) Conclude that there exists *disjoint* sets $E_1 \subseteq [0, 1]$ and $E_2 \subseteq [0, 1]$ for which

$$m_*(E_1 \cup E_2) \neq m_*(E_1) + m_*(E_2).$$

6. (a) **The Borel-Cantelli Lemma.** Suppose $\{E_j\}_{j=1}^\infty$ is a countable family of measurable subsets of \mathbb{R}^n and that

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} m(E_j) < \infty.$$

Let

$$E = \limsup_{j \rightarrow \infty} E_j := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : x \in E_j, \text{ for infinitely many } j\}.$$

Show that E is measurable and that $m(E) = 0$. *Hint: Write $E = \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{j \geq k} E_j$.*

- (b) Given any irrational x one can show (using the pigeonhole principle, for example) that there exists infinitely many fractions a/q , with a and q relatively prime integers, such that

$$\left| x - \frac{a}{q} \right| \leq \frac{1}{q^2}.$$

However, show that the set of those $x \in \mathbb{R}$ such that there exists infinitely many fractions a/q , with a and q relatively prime integers, such that

$$\left| x - \frac{a}{q} \right| \leq \frac{1}{q^3}$$

is a set of Lebesgue measure zero.

Extra Challenge Problems

Not to be handed in with the assignment

1. Prove that any $E \subset \mathbb{R}$ with $m_*(E) > 0$ necessarily contains a non-measurable set.
2. The **outer Jordan content** $J_*(E)$ of a set E in \mathbb{R} is defined by

$$J_*(E) = \inf \sum_{j=1}^N |I_j|,$$

where the infimum is taken over every *finite* covering $E \subseteq \bigcup_{j=1}^N I_j$, by intervals I_j .

- (a) Prove that $J_*(E) = J_*(\bar{E})$ for every set E (here \bar{E} denotes the closure of E).
 - (b) Exhibit a countable subset $E \subseteq [0, 1]$ such that $J_*(E) = 1$ while $m_*(E) = 0$.
3. If I is a bounded interval and $\alpha \in (0, 1)$, let us call the open interval with the same midpoint as I and length equal to α times the length of I the “open middle α th” of I . If $\{\alpha_j\}_{j=1}^\infty$ is any sequence of numbers in $(0, 1)$, then, we can define a decreasing sequence $\{K_j\}$ of closed sets as follows: $K_0 = [0, 1]$, and K_j is obtained by removing the the open middle α_j th from each of the intervals that make up K_{j-1} . The resulting limiting set $K = \bigcap_{j=1}^\infty K_j$ is called a **generalized Cantor set**.
 - (a) Suppose $\{\alpha_j\}_{j=1}^\infty$ is any sequence of numbers in $(0, 1)$.
 - i. Prove that $\prod_{j=1}^\infty (1 - \alpha_j) > 0$ if and only if $\sum_{j=1}^\infty \alpha_j < \infty$.
 - ii. Given $\beta \in (0, 1)$, exhibit a sequence $\{\alpha_j\}$ such that $\prod_{j=1}^\infty (1 - \alpha_j) = \beta$.
 - (b) Given $\beta \in (0, 1)$, construct an open set G in $[0, 1]$ whose boundary has Lebesgue measure β .

Hint: Every closed nowhere dense set is the boundary of an open set.

Math 8100 Assignment 3

Lebesgue measurable sets and functions

Due date: 5:00 pm Friday the 20th of September 2019

1. (a) Prove that for every $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ there exists a Borel set $B \supseteq E$ with the property that $m(B) = m_*(E)$.
 (b) Prove that if $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is Lebesgue measurable, then there exists a Borel set $B \subseteq E$ with the property that $m(B) = m(E)$.
 (c) Prove that if $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is Lebesgue measurable with $m(E) < \infty$, then for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a set A that is a finite union of closed cubes such that $m(E \Delta A) < \varepsilon$.
[Recall that $E \Delta A$ stands for the symmetric difference, defined by $E \Delta A = (E \setminus A) \cup (A \setminus E)$]
2. Let E be a Lebesgue measurable subset of \mathbb{R}^n with $m(E) > 0$ and $\varepsilon > 0$.
 (a) Prove that E “almost” contains a closed cube in the sense that there exists a closed cube Q such that $m(E \cap Q) \geq (1 - \varepsilon)m(Q)$.
 (b) Prove that the so-called difference set $E - E := \{d : d = x - y \text{ with } x, y \in E\}$ necessarily contains an open ball centered at the origin.
Hint: It may be useful to observe that $d \in E - E \iff E \cap (E + d) \neq \emptyset$.

3. We say that a function $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is *upper semicontinuous* at a point x in \mathbb{R}^n if

$$f(x) \geq \limsup_{y \rightarrow x} f(y).$$

Prove that if f is upper semicontinuous at every point x in \mathbb{R}^n , then f is Borel measurable.

4. Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of measurable functions on \mathbb{R}^n . Prove that $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) \text{ exists}\}$ defines a measurable set.
5. Recall that the **Cantor set** \mathcal{C} is the set of all $x \in [0, 1]$ that have a ternary expansion $x = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k 3^{-k}$ with $a_k \neq 1$ for all k . Consider the function

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k 2^{-k} \quad \text{where } b_k = a_k/2.$$

- (a) Show that f is well defined and continuous on \mathcal{C} , and moreover $f(0) = 0$ as well as $f(1) = 1$.
- (b) Prove that there exists a continuous function that maps a measurable set to a non-measurable set.
6. Let us examine the map f defined in Question 5 even more closely. One readily sees that if $x, y \in \mathcal{C}$ and $x < y$, then $f(x) < f(y)$ unless x and y are the two endpoints of one of the intervals removed from $[0, 1]$ to obtain \mathcal{C} . In this case $f(x) = \ell 2^m$ for some integers ℓ and m , and $f(x)$ and $f(y)$ are the two binary expansions of this number. We can therefore extend f to a map $F : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ by declaring it to be constant on each interval missing from \mathcal{C} . F is called the **Cantor-Lebesgue function**.
 (a) Prove that F is non-decreasing and continuous.
 (b) Let $G(x) = F(x) + x$. Show that G is a bijection from $[0, 1]$ to $[0, 2]$.
 (c) i. Show that $m(G(\mathcal{C})) = 1$.
 ii. By considering rational translates of \mathcal{N} (the non-measurable subset of $[0, 1]$ that we constructed in class), prove that $G(\mathcal{C})$ necessarily contains a (Lebesgue) non-measurable set \mathcal{N}' .
 iii. Let $E = G^{-1}(\mathcal{N}')$. Show that E is Lebesgue measurable, but not Borel.
 (d) Give an example of a measurable function φ such that $\varphi \circ G^{-1}$ is not measurable.
Hint: Let φ be the characteristic function of a null set whose image under G is not measurable.

Extra Challenge Problems

Not to be handed in with the assignment

1. Let $\chi_{[0,1]}$ be the characteristic function of $[0, 1]$. Show that there is no function f satisfying $f = \chi_{[0,1]}$ almost everywhere which is also continuous on all of \mathbb{R} .
2. Question 6d above supplies us with an example that if f and g are Lebesgue measurable, then it does not necessarily follow that $f \circ g$ will be Lebesgue measurable, even if g is assumed to be continuous.
Prove that if f is Borel measurable, then $f \circ g$ will be Lebesgue or Borel measurable whenever g is.
3. Let f be a measurable function on $[0, 1]$ with $|f(x)| < \infty$ for a.e. x . Prove that there exists a sequence of continuous functions $\{g_n\}$ on $[0, 1]$ such that $g_n \rightarrow f$ for a.e. $x \in [0, 1]$.

Math 8100 Assignment 4

Lebesgue Integration

Due date: Tuesday the 1st of October 2019

Definition. Let E be a Lebesgue measurable subset of \mathbb{R}^n .

We say that a measurable function $f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is *integrable on E* if $\int_E |f(x)| dx < \infty$.

1. (a) Give an example of a continuous integrable function f on \mathbb{R} for which $f(x) \not\rightarrow 0$ as $|x| \rightarrow \infty$.
 (b) Prove that if f is integrable on \mathbb{R} and uniformly continuous, then $\lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 0$.
2. Let f be an integrable function on \mathbb{R}^n .
 (a) Prove that $\{x : |f(x)| = \infty\}$ has measure equal to zero.
 (b) Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Prove that there exists a measurable set E with $m(E) < \infty$ for which

$$\int_E |f| > \left(\int |f| \right) - \varepsilon.$$

3. Let f be a function in $L^+(\mathbb{R}^n)$ that is finite almost everywhere.

Let $E_{2^k} = \{x : f(x) > 2^k\}$, $F_k = \{x : 2^k < f(x) \leq 2^{k+1}\}$, and note that since f is finite almost everywhere it follows that $\bigcup_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} F_k = \{x : f(x) > 0\}$, and the sets F_k are disjoint. Prove that

$$\int f(x) < \infty \iff \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^k m(F_k) < \infty \iff \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^k m(E_{2^k}) < \infty.$$

4. Prove the following:

(a)

$$\int_{\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |x| \leq 1\}} |x|^{-p} dx < \infty \quad \text{if and only if} \quad p < n.$$

(b)

$$\int_{\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |x| \geq 1\}} |x|^{-p} dx < \infty \quad \text{if and only if} \quad p > n.$$

Hint: One possible approach is to use the first equivalence in Question 3 above. I suggest however that in this case you also try simply writing \mathbb{R}^n as a disjoint union of the annuli $A_k = \{2^k < |x| \leq 2^{k+1}\}$.

5. Given any integrable function f on \mathbb{R}^n , the *Fourier transform of f* is defined by

$$\widehat{f}(\xi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x) e^{-2\pi i x \cdot \xi} dx$$

where $x \cdot \xi = x_1 \xi_1 + \cdots + x_n \xi_n$. Show that \widehat{f} is a bounded continuous function of ξ .

6. Let $\{f_k\}$ be a sequence of integrable functions on \mathbb{R}^n , f be integrable on \mathbb{R}^n , and $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f_k = f$ a.e.

(a) Suppose further that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int |f_k(x)| dx = A < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \int |f(x)| dx = B.$$

- i. Prove that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int |f_k(x) - f(x)| dx = A - B.$$

Hint: Use the fact that

$$|f_k(x)| - |f(x)| \leq |f_k(x) - f(x)| \leq |f_k(x)| + |f(x)|.$$

- ii. Give an example of a sequence $\{f_k\}$ of such functions for which $A \neq B$.

- (b) Deduce that

$$\int |f - f_k| \rightarrow 0 \iff \int |f_k| \rightarrow \int |f|.$$

7. (a) Suppose that $f(x)$ and $xf(x)$ are both integrable functions on \mathbb{R} . Prove that the function

$$F(t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x) \cos(tx) dx.$$

is differentiable at every t and find a formula for $F'(t)$.

- (b) Giving complete justification, evaluate

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \int_0^1 \frac{e^{t\sqrt{x}} - 1}{t} dx.$$

Extra Challenge Problems

Not to be handed in with the assignment

- Assume Fatou's theorem and deduce the monotone convergence theorem from it.
- A sequence $\{f_k\}$ of integrable functions on \mathbb{R}^n is said to *converge in measure* to f if for every $\varepsilon > 0$,

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} m(\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |f_k(x) - f(x)| \geq \varepsilon\}) = 0.$$

- Prove that if $f_k \rightarrow f$ in L^1 then $f_k \rightarrow f$ in measure.
- Give an example to show that the converse of Question 2a is false.
- Prove that if we make the additional assumption that there exists an integrable function g such that $|f_k| \leq g$ for all k , then $f_k \rightarrow f$ in measure implies that
 - * (Bonus points) $f \in L^1$
Hint: First show that $\{f_k\}$ contains a subsequence which converges to f almost everywhere.
 - $f_k \rightarrow f$ in L^1 .
Hint: Try using absolute continuity and "small tails property" of the Lebesgue integral.

- Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be measurable with $m(\Omega) < \infty$. A set $\Phi \subseteq L^1(\Omega)$ is said to be *uniformly integrable* if, for any $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists $\delta > 0$ such that whenever $f \in \Phi$ and $E \subseteq \Omega$ is measurable with $m(E) < \delta$, then

$$\int_E |f(x)| dx < \varepsilon.$$

- Prove that if $f \in L^1(\Omega)$ and $\{f_k\}$ is a uniformly integrable sequence of functions in $L^1(\Omega)$ such that $f_k \rightarrow f$ almost everywhere on Ω , then $f_k \rightarrow f$ in $L^1(\Omega)$.
- Is it necessary to assume that $f \in L^1(\Omega)$?

Math 8100 Assignment 5

Repeated Integration

Due date: Friday the 18th of October 2019

1. Prove that if $\{a_{jk}\}_{(j,k) \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}}$ is a “double sequence” with $a_{jk} \geq 0$ for all $(j, k) \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$, then

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{jk} = \sup \left\{ \sum_{(j,k) \in B} a_{jk} : B \text{ is a finite subset of } \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \right\}$$

and deduce from this that

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{jk} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_{jk}.$$

This conclusion holds more generally provided $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_{jk}| < \infty$, see Theorem 8.3 in “Baby Rudin”.

2. Let $f \in L^1([0, 1])$, and for each $x \in [0, 1]$ define

$$g(x) = \int_x^1 \frac{f(t)}{t} dt.$$

Show that $g \in L^1([0, 1])$ and that

$$\int_0^1 g(x) dx = \int_0^1 f(x) dx.$$

3. Carefully prove that if we define

$$f(x, y) := \begin{cases} \frac{x^{1/3}}{(1 + xy)^{3/2}} & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq y \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

for each $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, then f defines a function in $L^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$.

4. Let $A, B \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be bounded measurable sets with positive Lebesgue measure. For each $t \in \mathbb{R}^n$ define the function

$$g(t) = m(A \cap (t - B))$$

where $t - B = \{t - b : b \in B\}$.

- (a) Prove that g is a continuous function and

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(t) dt = m(A) m(B).$$

- (b) Conclude that the sumset

$$A + B = \{a + b : a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}$$

contains a non-empty open subset of \mathbb{R}^n .

5. Let $f, g \in L^1([0, 1])$ and for each $0 \leq x \leq 1$ define

$$F(x) := \int_0^x f(y) dy \quad \text{and} \quad G(x) := \int_0^x g(y) dy.$$

Prove that

$$\int_0^1 F(x)g(x) dx = F(1)G(1) - \int_0^1 f(x)G(x) dx.$$

6. Let $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$. For any $h > 0$ we define

$$A_h(f)(x) := \frac{1}{2h} \int_{x-h}^{x+h} f(y) dy$$

(a) Prove that for all $h > 0$,

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} |A_h(f)(x)| dx \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} |f(x)| dx.$$

(b) Prove that

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{\mathbb{R}} |A_h(f)(x) - f(x)| dx = 0.$$

One can in fact show that $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} A_h(f) = f$ almost everywhere. This result is actually equivalent to the Lebesgue Density Theorem in \mathbb{R} and we will establish this later in the course.

Extra Challenge Problems

Not to be handed in with the assignment

1. (a) Prove that

$$\int_0^\infty \left| \frac{\sin x}{x} \right| dx = \infty.$$

(b) By considering the iterated integral

$$\int_0^\infty \left(\int_0^\infty x e^{-xy} (1 - \cos y) dy \right) dx$$

show (with justification) that

$$\lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^A \frac{\sin x}{x} dx = \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

2. Suppose that F is a closed subset of \mathbb{R} whose complement has finite measure. Let $\delta(x)$ denote the distance from x to F , namely

$$\delta(x) = d(x, F) = \inf\{|x - y| : y \in F\}$$

and

$$I_F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{\delta(y)}{|x - y|^2} dy.$$

(a) Prove that δ is continuous, by showing that it satisfies the Lipschitz condition $|\delta(x) - \delta(y)| \leq |x - y|$.

(b) Show that $I_F(x) = \infty$ if $x \notin F$.

(c) Show that $I_F(x) < \infty$ for a.e. $x \in F$, by showing that $\int_F I_F(x) dx < \infty$.

Math 8100 Assignment 6

The Fourier Transform

Due date: Thursday the 31st of October 2019

Recall that we have defined the Fourier transform of an integrable function f on \mathbb{R}^n by

$$\widehat{f}(\xi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x) e^{-2\pi i x \cdot \xi} dx$$

where $x \cdot \xi = x_1 \xi_1 + \cdots + x_n \xi_n$ and the convolution of two integrable functions f and g on \mathbb{R}^n by

$$f * g(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x - y) g(y) dy.$$

1. Prove that if $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$, then $\widehat{f}(\xi) \rightarrow 0$ as $|\xi| \rightarrow \infty$. (This is called the Riemann-Lebesgue lemma.)

Hint: Write $\widehat{f}(\xi) = \frac{1}{2} \int [f(x) - f(x - \xi')] e^{-2\pi i x \cdot \xi} dx$, where $\xi' = \frac{\xi}{2|\xi|^2}$.

2. (a) Prove that if $f, g \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$, then $\widehat{f * g}(\xi) = \widehat{f}(\xi) \widehat{g}(\xi)$ for all $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$.
 (b) Conclude from part (a) that
 - i. if $f, g, h \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$, then $f * g = g * f$ and $(f * g) * h = f * (g * h)$ almost everywhere.
 - ii. there does not exist $I \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ such that $f * I = f$ almost everywhere for all $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

3. Let $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

- (a) Show that if $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and
 - i. $g(x) = f(x - y)$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, then $\widehat{g}(\xi) = e^{-2\pi i y \cdot \xi} \widehat{f}(\xi)$ for all $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$.
 - ii. $h(x) = e^{2\pi i x \cdot y} f(x)$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, then $\widehat{h}(\xi) = \widehat{f}(\xi - y)$ for all $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$.
- (b) Show that if T be a non-singular linear transformation of \mathbb{R}^n and $S = (T^*)^{-1}$ denote its inverse transpose, then

$$\widehat{f \circ T}(\xi) = \frac{1}{|\det T|} \widehat{f}(S\xi)$$

for all $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

4. (a) Let $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$.
 - i. Let $g(x) = xf(x)$. Show that if $g \in L^1$, then \widehat{f} is differentiable and $\frac{d}{d\xi} \widehat{f}(\xi) = -2\pi i \widehat{g}(\xi)$.
 - ii. Let $f \in C_0^1(\mathbb{R})$ and $h(x) = \frac{d}{dx} f(x)$. Show that if $h \in L^1$, then $\widehat{h}(\xi) = 2\pi i \xi \widehat{f}(\xi)$.

Recall that $C_0^1(\mathbb{R})$ is the collection of functions in $C^1(\mathbb{R})$ which vanishes at infinity.

- (b) Let $G(x) = e^{-\pi x^2}$. By considering the derivative of $\widehat{G}(\xi)/G(\xi)$, show that $\widehat{G}(\xi) = G(\xi)$.

Hint: You may also want to use the fact that $\int_{\mathbb{R}} G(x) dx = 1$ (see “challenge” problem).

5. The functions D , F , and P defined below are all bounded $L^+(\mathbb{R})$ functions with integrals equal to 1.

- (a) Show that if

$$D(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } |x| \leq 1/2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

then

$$\widehat{D}(\xi) = \frac{\sin \pi \xi}{\pi \xi}.$$

This gives, in light of Assignment 5 Challenge Problem 1(a), an explicit example of a function which is not in $L^1(\mathbb{R})$, but yet is the Fourier transform of an L^1 function. See Question 6 for additional higher dimensional examples.

(b) Let

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - |x| & \text{if } |x| \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}.$$

i. Show that

$$\widehat{F}(\xi) = \left(\frac{\sin \pi \xi}{\pi \xi} \right)^2.$$

Hint: It may help to write $\widehat{F}(\xi) = h(\xi) + h(-\xi)$ where $h(\xi) = e^{2\pi i \xi} \int_0^1 y e^{-2\pi i y \xi} dy$.

ii. Find the Fourier transform of the function

$$f(x) = \left(\frac{\sin \pi x}{\pi x} \right)^2.$$

Be careful to fully justify your answer.

(c) Show that if

$$P(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1}{1 + x^2}.$$

then

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2\pi|\xi|} e^{2\pi i x \xi} d\xi = P(x)$$

and hence that

$$\widehat{P}(\xi) = e^{-2\pi|\xi|}.$$

Be careful to fully justify your answer.

Remark: In Questions 4b and 5 above D is for Dirichlet, F is for Fejér, P is for Poisson, and G is for Gauss-Weierstrass. The respective “approximate identities”, namely $\{(\widehat{D})_t\}_{t>0}$, $\{(\widehat{F})_t\}_{t>0}$, $\{P_t\}_{t>0}$, and $\{G_{\sqrt{t}}\}_{t>0}$, are generally referred to as Dirichlet, Fejér, Poisson, and Gauss-Weierstrass kernels.

6. Show that for any $\varepsilon > 0$ the function $F(\xi) = (1 + |\xi|^2)^{-\varepsilon}$ is the Fourier transform of an $L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ function.

Hint: Consider the function

$$f(x) = \int_0^\infty G_t(x) e^{-\pi t^2} t^{2\varepsilon-1} dt,$$

where $G_t(x) = t^{-n} e^{-\pi|x|^2/t^2}$. Now use Fubini/Tonelli to prove that $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ with $\widehat{f}(\xi) = F(\xi) \|f\|_1$.

Extra Challenge Problems

Not to be handed in with the assignment

1. By considering the iterated integral

$$\int_0^\infty \left(\int_0^\infty x e^{-x^2(1+y^2)} dx \right) dy$$

show (with justification) that

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$$

and hence that

$$\int_{-\infty}^\infty e^{-\pi x^2} dx = 1.$$

Math 8100 Assignment 7

Hilbert Spaces

Due date: Thursday 14th of November 2019

1. (a) Prove that $\ell^2(\mathbb{N})$ is complete.

Recall that $\ell^2(\mathbb{N}) := \{x = \{x_j\}_{j=1}^\infty : \|x\|_{\ell^2} < \infty\}$, where $\|x\|_{\ell^2} := \left(\sum_{j=1}^\infty |x_j|^2\right)^{1/2}$.

- (b) Let H be a Hilbert space. Prove the so-called *polarization identity*, namely that for any $x, y \in H$,

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \frac{1}{4} (\|x + y\|^2 - \|x - y\|^2 + i\|x + iy\|^2 - i\|x - iy\|^2)$$

and conclude that any invertible linear map from H to $\ell^2(\mathbb{N})$ is *unitary* if and only if it is *isometric*.

Recall that if H_1 and H_2 are Hilbert spaces with inner products $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_1$ and $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_2$, then a mapping $U : H_1 \rightarrow H_2$ is said to be **unitary** if it is an invertible linear map that preserves inner products, namely $\langle Ux, Uy \rangle_2 = \langle x, y \rangle_1$, and an **isometry** if it preserves “lengths”, namely $\|Ux\|_2 = \|x\|_1$.

2. Let E be a subset of a Hilbert space H .

(a) Show that $E^\perp := \{x \in H : \langle x, y \rangle = 0 \text{ for all } y \in E\}$ is a closed subspace of H .

(b) Show that $(E^\perp)^\perp$ is the smallest closed subspace of H that contains E .

3. In $L^2([0, 1])$ let $e_0(x) = 1$, $e_1(x) = \sqrt{3}(2x - 1)$ for all $x \in (0, 1)$.

(a) Show that e_0, e_1 is an orthonormal system in $L^2(0, 1)$.

(b) Show that the polynomial of degree 1 which is closest with respect to the norm of $L^2(0, 1)$ to the function $f(x) = x^2$ is given by $g(x) = x - 1/6$. What is $\|f - g\|_2$?

4. (a) Verify that the following systems are orthogonal in $L^2([0, 1])$:

i. $\{1/\sqrt{2}, \cos(2\pi x), \sin(2\pi x), \dots, \cos(2\pi kx), \sin(2\pi kx), \dots\}$

ii. $\{e^{2\pi i k x}\}_{k=-\infty}^\infty$

(b) Let $f \in L^1([0, 1])$.

i. Show that for any $\epsilon > 0$ we can write $f = g + h$, where $g \in L^2$ and $\|h\|_1 < \epsilon$.

ii. Use this decomposition of f to prove the so-called *Riemann-Lebesgue lemma*:

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 f(x) \cos(2\pi kx) dx = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 f(x) \sin(2\pi kx) dx = 0$$

5. (a) The first three Legendre polynomials are

$$P_0(x) = 1, \quad P_1(x) = x, \quad P_2(x) = (3x^2 - 1)/2.$$

Show that the orthonormal system in $L^2([-1, 1])$ obtained by applying the Gram-Schmidt process to $1, x, x^2$ are scalar multiples of these.

(b) Compute

$$\min_{a,b,c} \int_{-1}^1 |x^3 - a - bx - cx^2|^2 dx$$

(c) Find

$$\max \int_{-1}^1 x^3 g(x) dx$$

where g is subject to the restrictions

$$\int_{-1}^1 g(x) dx = \int_{-1}^1 xg(x) dx = \int_{-1}^1 x^2 g(x) dx = 0; \quad \int_{-1}^1 |g(x)|^2 dx = 1.$$

6. Let

$$\mathcal{C} = \left\{ f \in L^2([0, 1]) : \int_0^1 f(x) dx = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \int_0^1 xf(x) dx = 2 \right\}$$

(a) Let $g(x) = 18x^2 - 5$. Show that $g \in \mathcal{C}$ and that

$$\mathcal{C} = g + \mathcal{S}^\perp$$

where \mathcal{S}^\perp denotes the orthogonal complement of $\mathcal{S} = \text{Span}(\{1, x\})$.

(b) Find *the* function $f_0 \in \mathcal{C}$ for which

$$\int_0^1 |f_0(x)|^2 dx = \inf_{f \in \mathcal{C}} \int_0^1 |f(x)|^2 dx.$$

Extra Challenge Problems

Not to be handed in with the assignment

1. Prove that every closed convex set K in a Hilbert space has a unique element of minimal norm.

2. **The Mean Ergodic Theorem:** Let U be a unitary operator on a Hilbert space H .

Prove that if $M = \{x : Ux = x\}$ and $S_N = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} U^n$, then $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \|S_N x - Px\| = 0$ for all $x \in H$, where Px denotes the orthogonal projection of x onto M .

Math 8100 Assignment 8

Basic Function Spaces

Due date: Tuesday the 26th of November 2019

1. Prove the following basic properties of $L^\infty = L^\infty(X)$, where X is a measurable subset of \mathbb{R}^n :

- (a) $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ is a norm on L^∞ and when equipped with this norm L^∞ is a Banach space.
- (b) $\|f_n - f\|_\infty \rightarrow 0$ iff there exists $E \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $m(E^c) = 0$ and $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on E .
- (c) Simple functions are dense in L^∞ , but continuous functions with compact support are not.

Recall that if $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is measurable and f is a measurable function on X , then we define

$$\|f\|_\infty = \inf\{a \geq 0 : m(\{x \in X : |f(x)| > a\}) = 0\},$$

with the convention that $\inf \emptyset = \infty$, and

$$L^\infty = L^\infty(X) = \{f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \text{ measurable} : \|f\|_\infty < \infty\},$$

with the usual convention that two functions that are equal a.e. define the same element of L^∞ . Thus $f \in L^\infty$ if and only if there is a bounded function g such that $f = g$ almost everywhere; we can take $g = f\chi_E$ where $E = \{x : |f(x)| \leq \|f\|_\infty\}$.

2. Let $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be measurable.

- (a) i. Prove that if $m(X) < \infty$, then

$$L^\infty(X) \subset L^2(X) \subset L^1(X) \tag{1}$$

with strict inclusion in each case, and that for any measurable $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ one in fact has

$$\|f\|_{L^1(X)} \leq m(X)^{1/2} \|f\|_{L^2(X)} \leq m(X) \|f\|_{L^\infty(X)}.$$

- ii. Give examples to show that no such result of the form (1) can hold if one drops the assumption that $m(X) < \infty$. Prove, furthermore, that if $L^2(X) \subseteq L^1(X)$, then $m(X) < \infty$.

- (b) Prove that

$$\underbrace{L^1(X) \cap L^\infty(X) \subset L^2(X)}_{(*)} \subset L^1(X) + L^\infty(X)$$

and that in addition to $(*)$ one in fact has

$$\|f\|_{L^2(X)} \leq \|f\|_{L^1(X)}^{1/2} \|f\|_{L^\infty(X)}^{1/2}$$

for any measurable function $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$.

3. Prove that

$$\ell^1(\mathbb{Z}) \subset \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}) \subset \ell^\infty(\mathbb{Z})$$

with strict inclusion in each case, and that for any sequence $a = \{a_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{Z}}$ of complex numbers one in fact has

$$\|a\|_{\ell^\infty(\mathbb{Z})} \leq \|a\|_{\ell^2(\mathbb{Z})} \leq \|a\|_{\ell^1(\mathbb{Z})}.$$

Recall that for $p = 1, 2, \infty$ we define

$$\ell^p(\mathbb{Z}) = \{a = \{a_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \subseteq \mathbb{C} : \|a\|_{\ell^p(\mathbb{Z})} < \infty\}$$

where

$$\|a\|_{\ell^1(\mathbb{Z})} = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |a_j|, \quad \|a\|_{\ell^2(\mathbb{Z})} = \left(\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |a_j|^2 \right)^{1/2}, \quad \text{and} \quad \|a\|_{\ell^\infty(\mathbb{Z})} = \sup_j |a_j|.$$

4. Let $C([0, 1])$ denote the space of all continuous real-valued functions on $[0, 1]$.

(a) Prove that $C([0, 1])$ is complete under the uniform norm $\|f\|_u := \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} |f(x)|$.

(b) Prove that $C([0, 1])$ is not complete under the L^1 -norm $\|f\|_1 = \int_0^1 |f(x)| dx$

5. Let H be a Hilbert space with orthonormal basis $\{u_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$.

(a) Let $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ be a sequence of complex numbers. Prove that

$$\sum_{n=1}^\infty a_n u_n \text{ converges in } H \iff \sum_{n=1}^\infty |a_n|^2 < \infty,$$

and moreover that if $\sum_{n=1}^\infty |a_n|^2 < \infty$, then $\left\| \sum_{n=1}^\infty a_n u_n \right\| = \left(\sum_{n=1}^\infty |a_n|^2 \right)^{1/2}$.

(b) i. Is there a continuous linear functional L on H such that $L(u_n) = n^{-1}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$? If L exists, find its norm.

ii. Is there a continuous linear functional L on H such that $L(u_n) = n^{-1/2}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$? If L exists, find its norm.

6. For each $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, define $\Lambda_p : L^p([0, 1]) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$\Lambda_p(f) = \int_0^1 x^2 f(x) dx.$$

Explain why Λ_p is a continuous linear functional and compute its norm (in terms of p).

Extra Practice Problems

Not to be handed in with the assignment

1. Let f and g be two non-negative Lebesgue measurable functions on $[0, \infty)$. Suppose that

$$A := \int_0^\infty f(y) y^{-1/2} dy < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad B := \left(\int_0^\infty |g(y)|^2 dy \right)^{1/2} < \infty$$

Prove that

$$\int_0^\infty \left(\int_0^x f(y) dy \right) \frac{g(x)}{x} dx \leq AB$$

2. Let $\{f_k\}$ be any sequence of functions in $L^2([0, 1])$ satisfying $\|f_k\|_2 \leq 1$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

(a) i. Prove that if $f_k \rightarrow f$ either a.e. on $[0, 1]$ or in $L^1([0, 1])$, then $f \in L^2([0, 1])$ with $\|f\|_2 \leq 1$.

ii. Do either of the above hypotheses guarantee that $f_k \rightarrow f$ in $L^2([0, 1])$?

(b) Prove that if $f_k \rightarrow f$ a.e. on $[0, 1]$, then this in fact implies that $f_k \rightarrow f$ in $L^1([0, 1])$.

3. Let $1 \leq p \leq \infty$. Prove that if $\{f_k\}_{k=1}^\infty$ is a sequence of functions in $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ with the property that

$$\sum_{k=1}^\infty \|f_k\|_p < \infty,$$

then $\sum f_k$ converges almost everywhere to an $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ function with

$$\left\| \sum_{k=1}^\infty f_k \right\|_p \leq \sum_{k=1}^\infty \|f_k\|_p.$$