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Abstract

1 Basic properties

Let $\nu = g d\mu$. Then

$$\int g \, d\nu = \int g f \, d\mu$$

Let $\nu = \mu_{x,r}$. Then

$$\int f \, d\nu = \int f(\frac{y-x}{r}) \, d\mu(y) = \int (s_r \circ \tau_x) f \, d\mu$$

where $s_r f(y) := f(y/r)$ and $\tau_x f(y) := f(y-x)$. One can define s_r, τ_x for measures, and write as

$$\int f d(\tau_x \circ s_r) = \int (s_r \circ \tau_x) f d\mu$$

2 Chapter 2

2.1 Proof of Prop 2.2 (Lebesgue differentiation theorem)

Using the Besicovitch Differentiation of Measures (Theorem 2.10), we prove the Proposition 2.2, which states: If μ is locally finite Borel regular measure and $f \in L^1(\mu)$, then for μ -a.e. x, f is Lebesgue continuous at x with respect to μ .

To begin with, consider the following basic lemmas:

Lemma 2.1. Let μ be any measure, f be a measurable function. If $\int_A f d\mu = 0$ for all measurable A then f = 0 for μ -a.e.

To prove this, notice that $f = f\chi_{\{f>0\}} + f\chi_{\{f\leq 0\}}$ Using the assumption, one can easily show that $f\chi_{\{f>0\}} = 0$ and $f\chi_{\{f\leq 0\}} = 0$.

Now prove the Proposition 2.2:

Proof. Let $q \in \mathbb{Q}$ and $\nu_q := |f - q| d\mu$. One can easily check that ν_q is locally finite Borel regular measure. By the Besicovitch Differentiation of Measures, the limit

$$h(x) = \lim_{r \downarrow 0} \frac{\nu_q(B_r(x))}{\mu(B_r(x))}$$

exists for μ -a.e. $x \in \text{supp}(\mu)$, and $\nu_q = h d\mu$ (one can easily check that $\nu_q \perp E$ vanishes, i.e. zero measure). By the Lemma 1.1, h = |f - q|, which is

$$\lim_{r \downarrow 0} \frac{1}{\mu(B_r(x))} \int_{B_r(x)} |f(y) - q| \, d\mu(y) = |f(x) - q|$$

for μ -a.e. x.

Let $D_q := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \frac{1}{\mu(B_r(x))} \int_{B_r(x)} |f(y) - q| d\mu(y) = |f(x) - q| \}$. By above, $\mu(\mathbb{R}^n \setminus D_q) = 0$ for any $q \in \mathbb{Q}$. Let $D := \bigcap_{q \in \mathbb{Q}} D_q$ which satisfies $\mu(\mathbb{R}^n \setminus D) = 0$ (where \mathbb{Q} being countable is important here). Now, for each $x \in D$,

$$\lim_{r \downarrow 0} \frac{1}{\mu(B_r(x))} \int_{B_r(x)} |f(y) - q| \, d\mu(y) = |f(x) - q|$$

which holds for any $q \in \mathbb{Q}$.

We see that

$$\limsup_{r \downarrow 0} \frac{1}{\mu(B_{r}(x))} \int_{B_{r}(x)} |f(y) - f(x)| d\mu(y)$$

$$\leq \limsup_{r \downarrow 0} \frac{1}{\mu(B_{r}(x))} \int_{B_{r}(x)} |f(y) - q| d\mu(y) + \limsup_{r \downarrow 0} \frac{1}{\mu(B_{r}(x))} \int_{B_{r}(x)} |q - f(x)| d\mu(y)$$

$$= 2|f(x) - q|$$

for any $q \in \mathbb{Q}$. By the density of \mathbb{Q} ,

$$\lim_{r \downarrow 0} \frac{1}{\mu(B_r(x))} \int_{B_r(x)} |f(y) - f(x)| \, d\mu(y) = 0$$

for $x \in D$.

Remark. We can always switch the order of universal quantifiers, i.e. $\forall x \in A, \forall y \in X, P(x, y)$ is equivalent to $\forall y \in X, \forall x \in A, P(x, y)$. But, we cannot always switch the order if we had a.e. instead, i.e. $\forall x \in A$, for a.e. $y \in X, P(x, y)$ may not be equivalent to for a.e. $y \in X, \forall x \in A, P(x, y)$. One can check that the second statement is stronger than the first. Problem with the first statement is that the a.e. set where P holds depends on x. But when A is countable, we can switch, which is what we did in the proof with $A = \mathbb{Q}$.

3 Chapter 3

We would like to prove Theorem 3.1:

Let μ be a locally finite Borel measure, $\alpha \geq 0$, and E be a Borel set with $\mu(E) > 0$. Suppose that

$$0 < \theta_*(\mu, x) = \theta^*(\mu, x) < \infty$$
 for all $x \in E$.

Then α is an integer.

3.1 Proof of Prop 3.4

Proposition 3.4 states that:

Let μ be as in Theorem 3.1. Then for μ -a.e. $x \in E$,

$$\emptyset \neq \operatorname{Tan}_{\alpha}(\mu, x) \subseteq \{\theta^{\alpha}(\mu, x)\nu : \nu \in \mathcal{U}^{\alpha}(\mathbb{R}^n)\}\$$

Proof. For positive integers i, j, k, define

$$E^{i,j,k} := \{ x \in E : \frac{(j-1)\omega_{\alpha}}{i} \le \frac{\mu(B_r(x))}{r^{\alpha}} \le \frac{(j+1)\omega_{\alpha}}{i} \quad \text{for all } r \le 1/k \}$$

Since $\theta_*(\mu, x) = \theta^*(\mu, x)$ for $x \in E$, for each i,

$$E = \bigcup_{j,k} E^{i,j,k}$$

Claim: for each positive integers i, j, k, and for μ -a.e. $x \in E^{i,j,k}$

$$|\nu(B_r(y)) - \theta^{\alpha}(\mu, x)\omega_{\alpha}r^{\alpha}| \le \frac{2\omega_{\alpha}r^{\alpha}}{i}$$
 for every $y \in \text{supp}(\nu)$ and $r > 0$

for all $\nu \in \operatorname{Tan}_{\alpha}(\mu \, \bigsqcup E^{i,j,k}, x)$.

By the locality of tangent measure, $\operatorname{Tan}_{\alpha}(\mu \, \sqcup \, E^{i,j,k}, x) = \operatorname{Tan}_{\alpha}(\mu, x)$ for μ -a.e. $x \in E^{i,j,k}$. Moreover, since positive integers is countable, we can switch "for all positive integers i, j, k" and "for μ -a.e. $x \in E^{i,j,k}$ ". To sum up, the claim becomes:

For μ -a.e. $x \in E$ and $\nu \in \operatorname{Tan}_{\alpha}(\mu, x)$,

$$\nu(B_r(y)) = \theta^{\alpha}(\mu, x)\omega_{\alpha}r^{\alpha}$$
 for every $y \in \text{supp}(\nu)$ and $r > 0$

This implies that $\nu/\theta^{\alpha}(\mu, x)$ is an α -uniform measure.

To show that $0 \in \text{supp}(\nu)$, let $x \in E$ and $r_i \downarrow 0$ so that $\mu_{x,r_i}/r_i^{\alpha} \stackrel{*}{\rightharpoonup} \nu$. For any $\rho > 0$,

$$0 < \omega_{\alpha}\theta_{*}(\mu, x) = \liminf_{r \downarrow 0} \frac{\mu(B_{r}(x))}{r^{\alpha}} \leq \liminf_{j \to \infty} \frac{\mu(B_{\rho r_{j}}(x))}{(\rho r_{j})^{\alpha}} \leq \limsup_{j \to \infty} \frac{\mu(B_{\rho r_{j}}(x))}{(\rho r_{j})^{\alpha}} = \rho^{-\alpha} \limsup_{j \to \infty} \frac{\mu_{x, r_{j}}(B_{\rho}(0))}{r_{j}^{\alpha}}$$

$$\leq \rho^{-\alpha} \limsup_{j \to \infty} \frac{\mu_{x,r_j}(\overline{B}_{\rho}(0))}{r_j^{\alpha}} \leq \rho^{-\alpha} \nu(\overline{B}_{\rho}(0))$$

Hence, $\theta_*(\nu, 0) \ge \theta_*(\mu, x) > 0$ by the continuity of measures. Note that given the assumption that $\theta_*(\mu, x) = \theta^*(\mu, x)$, the second and third inequalities become inequality. The point is that this argument still holds without the assumption that $\theta_*(\mu, x) = \theta^*(\mu, x)$.

Proof of claim:

For simplicity, let $F := E^{i,j,k}$ and

$$F_1 := \left\{ x \in F : \lim_{r \to 0} \frac{\mu(B_r(x) \setminus F)}{r^{\alpha}} = 0 \right\}$$

For μ -a.e. $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

$$\lim_{r\downarrow 0} \frac{\mu(B_r(x) \setminus F)}{\mu(B_r(x))} = \lim_{r\downarrow 0} \frac{1}{\mu(B_r(x))} \int_{B_r(x)} \chi_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus F} d\mu = \chi_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus F}(x)$$

Since $\theta^*(\mu, x) < \infty$, it follows that

$$\lim_{r\downarrow 0} \frac{\mu(B_r(x) \setminus F)}{r^{\alpha}} = \lim_{r\downarrow 0} \frac{1}{r^{\alpha}} \int_{B_r(x)} \chi_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus F} d\mu = \chi_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus F}(x) = 0$$

Thus, $\mu(F \setminus F_1) = 0$ and so it suffices to prove the claim with $x \in F_1$.

Let $\nu \in \operatorname{Tan}_{\alpha}(\mu \, \sqsubseteq \, F, x)$ and $r_i \downarrow 0$ so that $\nu^i := (\mu \, \sqsubseteq \, F)_{x,r_i} / r_i^{\alpha} \stackrel{*}{\rightharpoonup} \nu$. Fix $y \in \operatorname{supp}(\nu)$.

We start by making a naive attempt, which will be remedied soon. By Prop 2.7, there is a countable set S such that

$$\lim_{m \to \infty} \nu^m(B_r(y)) = \nu(B_r(y)) \quad \text{for all } r \in \mathbb{R}^+ \setminus S$$

Rewriting this limit,

$$\lim_{m \to \infty} \frac{\mu(B_{rr_m}(x_m) \cap F)}{r_m^{\alpha}} = \nu(B_r(y)) \quad \text{for all } r \in \mathbb{R}^+ \setminus S$$

where $x_m \coloneqq x + r_m y$.

Since $x_m = x + r_m y \to x$ (here, it is important that $|x_m - x| \le C r_m$ for some large C) and $x \in F_1$, one can show that

$$\lim_{m \to \infty} \frac{\mu(B_{rr_m}(x_m) \cap F)}{r_m^{\alpha}} = \lim_{m \to \infty} \frac{\mu(B_{rr_m}(x_m))}{r_m^{\alpha}}$$

and so

$$\lim_{m \to \infty} \frac{\mu(B_{rr_m}(x_m))}{r_m^{\alpha}} = \nu(B_r(y)) \quad \text{for all } r \in \mathbb{R}^+ \setminus S$$

By definition,

$$\lim_{m\to\infty}\frac{\mu(B_{rr_m}(x))}{r_m^\alpha}=\theta(\mu,x)\omega_\alpha r^\alpha\quad\text{for all }r>0$$

If we had $x_m \in F$ for all m, then

$$\left| \frac{\mu(B_{rr_m}(x_m) \cap F)}{r_m^{\alpha}} - \frac{\mu(B_{rr_m}(x))}{r_m^{\alpha}} \right| \le \frac{2\omega_{\alpha}r^{\alpha}}{i}$$

and by taking limit as $m \to \infty$, we get the desired inequality for $r \in \mathbb{R}^+ \setminus S$. Then, since S is countable, for every $r \in S$, we have $s_{\ell} \in \mathbb{R}^+ \setminus S$ so that $s_{\ell} \uparrow r$. By the continuity of measures, we get the desired inequality for all r > 0.

Thus, to end this proof, it suffices to pick $x_m \in F$ satisfying $|x_m - x| \le Cr_m$ for some large C. In particular, we show that there is a sequence (x_m) in F so that

$$y_m \coloneqq \frac{x_m - x}{r_m} \to y$$

finish the rest...

proof of step 3 (existence of tangent measure)