

# Math 720: Homework.

Do, but don't turn in optional problems. *There is a firm 'no late homework' policy.*

## Assignment 1: Assigned Wed 09/05. Due Wed 09/12

Following the notation of Cohn, I use  $\lambda$  to denote the Lebesgue measure.

- For each of the following sets, compute the Lebesgue outer measure.
  - Any countable set.
  - The Cantor set.
  - $\{x \in [0, 1] \mid x \notin \mathbb{Q}\}$ .
- If  $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$  is a subspace with  $\dim(V) < d$ , then show that  $\lambda(V) = 0$ .
  - If  $P \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  is a polygon show that  $\text{area}(P) = \lambda(P)$ .
- Say  $\mu$  is a *translation invariant* measure on  $(\mathbb{R}^d, \mathcal{L})$  (i.e.  $\mu(x + A) = \mu(A)$  for all  $A \in \mathcal{L}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ) which is finite on bounded sets. Show that  $\exists c \geq 0$  such that  $\mu(A) = c\lambda(A)$ .
  - Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  be an orthogonal linear transformation, and  $A \in \mathcal{L}$ . Show that  $T(A) \in \mathcal{L}$  and  $\lambda(T(A)) = \lambda(A)$ . [HINT: Express  $T$  in terms of elementary transformations.]
- Let  $\mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X)$ , and  $\rho : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  be such that  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{E}$ ,  $X \in \mathcal{E}$  and  $\rho(\emptyset) = 0$ . For any  $A \subseteq X$  define

$$\mu^*(A) = \inf \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \rho(E_i) \mid E_i \in \mathcal{E}, \text{ and } A \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i \right\}.$$

Show that  $\mu^*$  is an outer measure.

- Let  $(X, d)$  be any metric space,  $\delta > 0$  and define  $\mathcal{E}_\delta = \{B(x, r) \mid x \in X, r \in (0, \delta)\}$ . Given  $\alpha > 0$  define  $\rho(B(x, r)) = c_\alpha r^\alpha$ , where  $c_\alpha = \pi^{\alpha/2} / \Gamma(1 + \alpha/2)$  is a normalization constant. Let  $H_{\alpha, \delta}^*$  be the outer measure obtained with this choice of  $\rho$  and the collection of sets  $\mathcal{E}_\delta$ . Define  $H_\alpha^* = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} H_{\alpha, \delta}^*$ . Show  $H_\alpha^*$  is an outer measure and restricts to a measure  $H_\alpha$  on a  $\sigma$ -algebra that contains all Borel sets. The measure  $H_\alpha$  is called the *Hausdorff measure of dimension  $\alpha$* . [Don't reprove Caratheodory.]
- If  $X = \mathbb{R}^d$ , and  $\alpha = d$  show that  $H_d$  is the Lebesgue measure.
- Let  $S \in \mathcal{B}(X)$ . Show that there exists (a unique)  $d \in [0, \infty]$  such that  $H_\alpha(S) = \infty$  for all  $\alpha \in (0, d)$ , and  $H_\alpha(S) = 0$  for all  $\alpha \in (d, \infty)$ . This number is called the *Hausdorff dimension* of the set  $S$ .
- Compute the Hausdorff dimension of the Cantor set.

*Details in class I left for you to check. (Do it, but don't turn it in.)*

- \* We saw in class  $\ell(I) = I$  for closed cells. Show it for arbitrary cells.
- \* Show that  $m^*(a + E) = m^*(E)$  for all  $a \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$ .
- \* Show that the arbitrary intersection of  $\sigma$ -algebras on  $X$  is also a  $\sigma$ -algebra.
- \* Verify that the counting measures and delta measures are measures.
- \* When proving Caratheodory, we proved in class  $\Sigma$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra, and that  $\mu^*|_\Sigma$  is *finitely* additive. Show that  $\mu^*|_\Sigma$  is countably additive.

## Assignment 2: Assigned Wed 09/12. Due Wed 09/19

- Let  $(X, \Sigma, \mu)$  be a measure space. For  $A \in \mathcal{P}(X)$  define  $\mu^*(A) = \inf\{\mu(E) \mid E \supseteq A \text{ \& } E \in \Sigma\}$ , and  $\mu_*(A) = \sup\{\mu(E) \mid E \subseteq A \text{ \& } E \in \Sigma\}$ .
  - Show that  $\mu^*$  is an outer measure.
  - Let  $A_1, A_2, \dots \in \mathcal{P}(X)$  be disjoint. Show that  $\mu_*(\bigcup_1^\infty A_i) \geq \sum_1^\infty \mu_*(A_i)$ . [The set function  $\mu_*$  is called an *inner measure*.]
  - Show that for all  $A \subseteq X$ ,  $\mu^*(A) + \mu_*(A^c) = \mu(X)$ .
  - Show that  $\Sigma_\mu = \{A \in \mathcal{P}(X) \mid \mu_*(A) = \mu^*(A)\}$ .
- Here's an alternate (cleaner) approach to proving  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{B}_\lambda$ . We do it by proving a stronger statement than necessary.
  - If  $A \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  show that for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists two sets  $C, U$  such that  $C \subseteq A \subseteq U$ ,  $C$  is closed,  $U$  is open and  $\lambda(U - C) < \varepsilon$ .
  - For  $A \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , show that there exists an  $F_\sigma$ ,  $F$  and a  $G_\delta$ ,  $G$  such that  $F \subseteq A \subseteq G$  and  $\lambda(G - F) = 0$ . Conclude  $\mathcal{B}_\lambda = \mathcal{L}$ .
- Let  $A \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ . Prove every subset of  $A$  is Lebesgue measurable  $\iff \lambda(A) = 0$ .
- Prove  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^{m+n}) = \sigma(\{A \times B \mid A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^m) \text{ \& } B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n)\})$ .
  - Prove  $\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^{m+n}) \supsetneq \sigma(\{A \times B \mid A \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^m) \text{ \& } B \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^n)\})$ .
  - Show  $\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^2) \supsetneq \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^2)$ .
- Find  $E \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$  so that for all  $a < b$ , we have  $0 < \lambda(E \cap (a, b)) < b - a$ .

We say  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X)$  is an algebra if  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{A}$ , and  $\mathcal{A}$  is closed under complements and finite unions. We say  $\mu_0 : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  is a (positive) *pre-measure* on  $\mathcal{A}$  if  $\mu_0(\emptyset) = 0$ , and for any countable disjoint sequence of sets sequence  $A_i \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $\bigcup_1^\infty A_i \in \mathcal{A}$ , we have  $\mu_0(\bigcup_1^\infty A_i) = \sum_1^\infty \mu_0(A_i)$ .

Namely, a pre-measure is a finitely additive measure on an algebra  $\mathcal{A}$ , which is also countably additive for disjoint unions *that belong to the algebra*.

- (*Caratheodory extension*) If  $\mathcal{A}$  is an algebra, and  $\mu_0$  is a pre-measure on  $\mathcal{A}$ , show that there exists a measure  $\mu$  defined on  $\sigma(\mathcal{A})$  that extends  $\mu_0$ .

*Optional problems, and details in class I left for you to check.*

- \* Prove any open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  is a countable union of cells. Conclude  $\mathcal{L} \supseteq \mathcal{B}$ .
- \* Show that the cardinality  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$  is the same as that of  $\mathbb{R}$ , however, the cardinality of  $\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R})$  is the same as that of  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$ . Conclude  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) \subsetneq \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R})$ . [There are of course other ways to prove this.]
- \* If  $A_i \in \Sigma$  are such that  $A_i \supseteq A_{i+1}$ , show that  $\mu(\bigcap_{i=1}^\infty A_i) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_i)$ , provided  $\mu(A_1) < \infty$ . Given an example to show this is not true if  $\mu(A_1) = \infty$ .
- \* We saw in class  $\lambda(A) = \sup\{\lambda(K) \mid K \subseteq A \text{ \& } K \text{ is compact}\}$  for all bounded sets  $A \in \mathcal{L}$ . Prove it for arbitrary  $A \in \mathcal{L}$ .
- \* Show that there exists  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  such that if  $B \subseteq A$  and  $B \in \mathcal{L}$  then  $\lambda(B) = 0$ , and further, if  $B \subseteq A^c$  and  $B \in \mathcal{L}$  then  $\lambda(B) = 0$ .