

Math 8100 Assignment 6

Due date: Friday 8th of October 2010

1. 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)

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

2. Suppose that $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$. Show that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |f(x)| dx = \int_0^\infty m(\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |f(x)| > t\}) dt.$$

3. Recall that the Fourier transform of an integrable function f on \mathbb{R}^n may be defined by

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

and the convolution of two integrable functions f and g on \mathbb{R}^n may be defined by

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

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

(a) Prove that for each $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$ one has $\widehat{f * g}(\xi) = \widehat{f}(\xi) \widehat{g}(\xi)$.

(b) i. Show that $f * g = g * f$.

ii. Show that $(f * g) * h = f * (g * h)$.

(c) Show that there does not exist $I \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ such that $f * I = f$ for all $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

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. Suppose f is C^1 and vanishes at infinity. Let $h(x) = \frac{d}{dx} f(x)$.

Show that if $h \in L^1$, then $\widehat{h}(\xi) = 2\pi i \xi \widehat{f}(\xi)$.

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

5. 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 $\int_F I_F(x) dx < \infty$.

Challenge Problem VI

Hand this in to me at some point in the semester

- (a) Prove that if $A, B \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{R})$, then $A \times B \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{R}^2)$ with $m(A \times B) = m(A)m(B)$.
- (b) i. The *continuum hypothesis* asserts that whenever S is an infinite subset of \mathbb{R} , then either S is countable, or S has the cardinality of \mathbb{R} . Accepting the validity of the continuum hypothesis show that there exists an ordering \prec of \mathbb{R} with the property that for each $y \in \mathbb{R}$ the set $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \prec y\}$ is at most countable.
- ii. Given the ordering \prec from part (i) we define

$$E = \{(x, y) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1] : x \prec y\}.$$

Show that E is not measurable, even though the slices

$$E_x = \{y \in \mathbb{R} : (x, y) \in E\} \quad \text{and} \quad E^y = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : (x, y) \in E\}$$

are both measurable with $m(E_x) = 1$ and $m(E^y) = 0$ for each $x, y \in [0, 1]$.

[Hint for part (i): Let \prec denote a well-ordering of \mathbb{R} , and define

$$X = \{y \in \mathbb{R} : \text{the set } \{x : x \prec y\} \text{ is not countable}\}.$$

If X is empty we are done. Otherwise, consider the smallest element y' in X , and use the continuum hypothesis.]