

# MATH 5302 Elementary Analysis II - Homework 7

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## Preliminaries

**Definition 1.**  $n$ -dimensional Euclidean norm-space: Let  $\mathbb{R}^n$  be defined as

$$\mathbb{R}^n := \{x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) : x_j \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

Let  $A, B \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ .

a. Compliment of  $A$

$$A^c := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : x \notin A\}$$

b. Union of  $A$  and  $B$

$$A \cup B := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : x \in A \vee x \in B\}$$

c. Intersection of  $A$  and  $B$

$$A \cap B := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : x \in A \wedge x \in B\}$$

d. Difference of  $A$  and  $B$

$$A \setminus B = A \cap B^c := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : x \in A \wedge x \notin B\}$$

e. Closure of  $A$

$$\overline{A} := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : x \in A \vee x = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k : [x_k] \in A\}$$

f. Euclidean norm on  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$\|x\| := \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2}$$

with triangular inequality:

$$\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$$

g. Metric on  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$d(x, y) = \|x - y\|$$

with properties

$$(a) \ d(x, y) \geq 0$$

$$(b) \ d(x, y) = 0 \iff x = y$$

$$(c) \ d(x, y) = d(y, x)$$

$$(d) \ d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y)$$

h.  $A$  is considered bounded if every point in  $A$  is bounded:

$$\exists_{M>0} : \forall_{x \in A} \|x\| \leq M$$

**Definition 2. Open and Closed Sets:** Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $x \in A$ .

a. Denote the open ball centered at  $x$  of radius  $r$  as:

$$B(x, r) := \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n : d(x, y) < r\}$$

b.  $x$  is considered an interior point of  $A$  if :

$$\exists_{r>0} : B(x, r) \subseteq A$$

c.  $A$  is considered open if every point  $x \in A$  is an interior point of  $A$ :

$$\forall_{x \in A} \exists_{r>0} : B(x, r) \subseteq A$$

The following properties exist for open sets:

- (a)  $\emptyset$  is open
  - (b)  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is open
  - (c) Union of any collection of open sets is open
  - (d) Intersection of any finite collection of open sets is open
  - (e) Any open ball is an open set
- d. The Interior of  $A$  is the set of all interior points of  $A$

$$A^\circ := \{x : x \text{ is an interior point of } A\}$$

Properties of  $A^\circ$

- (a)  $A$  open  $\iff A^\circ = A$
  - (b)  $A^\circ$  open
  - (c)  $(A^\circ)^\circ = A^\circ$
  - (d)  $(A \cap B)^\circ = A^\circ \cap B^\circ$
  - (e)  $A^\circ \cup B^\circ$  not generally equal to  $(A \cup B)^\circ$
  - (f)  $A^\circ$  is the union of all open subsets of  $A$
  - (g)  $A^\circ$  is the largest open subset of  $A$
- e. The Boundary of  $A$  is defined as the closure minus the Interior of  $A$ :

$$\partial A := \overline{A} \setminus A^\circ$$

f.  $A$  is considered closed if  $A^c$  is open. Properties of closed sets

- (a)  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is closed
- (b)  $\emptyset$  is closed
- (c) The intersection of any collection of closed sets is closed
- (d) The union of any finite collection of closed sets is closed

**Definition 3. Compact set:** Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ .

- a.
- b.  $A$  is called compact if every open cover of  $A$  has a finite subcover.
- c. Properties of compact sets
- (a)  $\emptyset$  is compact
  - (b) Any finite set is compact

- (c)  $A$  and  $B$  compact  $\implies A \cup B$  compact
- (d) Any finite union of compact sets is compact
- (e)  $B(x, r)$  is not compact
- (f)  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is not compact
- (g) If  $A$  is compact then  $A$  is closed and bounded.

**Definition 4. Lebesgue Measure:** Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ . Note: For various  $n$ , a Lebesgue Measure is essentially:

- a. For  $n = 1$ ,  $\lambda(A)$  is a length
- b. For  $n = 2$ ,  $\lambda(A)$  is an area
- c. For  $n = 3$ ,  $\lambda(A)$  is a volume

Each of the following stages define the Lebesgue measure in increasing complexity.

- a. **Empty Set:**

$$\lambda(\emptyset) = 0$$

- b. **Special Rectangles:**

Let

$$I = [a_1, b_1] \times \cdots \times [a_n, b_n]$$

then

$$\lambda(I) = (b_1 - a_1) \cdots (b_n - a_n)$$

- c. **Special Polygons:** Special polygons are a finite union of special rectangles. They are closed and bounded subsets and therefore compact.

Let  $P$  be a special polygon, decomposed into the following union of nonoverlapping special rectangles:

$$P = \bigcup_{k=1}^N I_k$$

The Lebesgue Measure for the special polygon is defined as the sum of the Lebesgue Measures of the special rectangles:

$$\lambda(P) = \sum_{k=1}^N \lambda(I_k)$$

The following are a few properties of the Lebesgue Measure for Special Polygons:

- (a)  $P_1 \subseteq P_2 \implies \lambda(P_1) \leq \lambda(P_2)$
- (b)  $P_1 \cap P_2 = \emptyset \implies \lambda(P_1 \cup P_2) = \lambda(P_1) + \lambda(P_2)$

- d. **Open Sets:** Let  $G \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  be open and  $G \neq \emptyset$ .

The Lebesgue Measure of an open set is defined as

$$\lambda(G) = \sup\{\lambda(P) : P \subset G, P \text{ is a special polygon}\}$$

The following are some properties of the Lebesgue Measure for open sets:

- (a)  $0 \leq \lambda(G) \leq \infty$
- (b)  $\lambda(G) = 0 \iff G = \emptyset$
- (c)  $\lambda(\mathbb{R}^n) = \infty$
- (d)  $G_1 \subseteq G_2 \implies \lambda(G_1) \leq \lambda(G_2)$
- (e)  $\lambda(\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} G_k) \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \lambda(G_k)$

$$(f) \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} G_k = \emptyset \implies \lambda(\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} G_k) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \lambda(G_k)$$

$$(g) \text{ If } P \text{ is a special polygon, then } \lambda(P) = \lambda(P^\circ)$$

e. **Compact Sets:** Let  $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  be a compact set.

The Lebesgue Measure of a compact set is defined as

$$\lambda(K) = \inf\{\lambda(G) : K \subset G, G \text{ is an open set}\}$$

The following are some properties of the Lebesgue Measure for compact sets:

$$(a) 0 \leq \lambda(K) \leq \infty$$

$$(b) K_1 \subseteq K_2 \implies \lambda(K_1) \leq \lambda(K_2)$$

$$(c) \lambda(K_1 \cup K_2) \leq \lambda(K_1) + \lambda(K_2)$$

$$(d) K_1 \cap K_2 = \emptyset \implies \lambda(K_1 \cup K_2) = \lambda(K_1) + \lambda(K_2)$$

## Problem 1

### Problem:

Let  $A \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be a compact set. Show that  $A$  is bounded.

### Solution:

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $A \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ . If  $A$  is a compact set then  $A$  is also bounded.*

*Proof.* For  $x \in A$ , let

$$G_i = B(x, r_i) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n : d(x, y) < r_i\}, \forall i \in \mathbb{N}$$

with  $r_i \leq r_{i+1}$ , meaning  $G_i \subset G_{i+1}$  and also that

$$A \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} G_i$$

$A$  compact means that the finite subcover exists

$$\exists_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_N} : A \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^N G_{i_k}$$

and therefore

$$\exists_k : A \subseteq G_{i_k}$$

which means that

$$\exists_{r_k} : \forall_{y \in A} d(x, y) \leq r_k$$

which is the definition of a bounded set. □

## Problem 2

### Problem:

Let  $G$  be a nonempty subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . If  $G$  is open and  $P$  is a special polygon with  $P \subset G$ , prove there exists a special polygon  $P'$  such that  $P \subset P' \subset G$  and  $\lambda(P) < \lambda(P')$ . (Hint: consider  $G \setminus P$ ).

### Solution:

**Theorem 2.** Let  $G \neq \emptyset \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $P \subset G$ . If  $G$  open and  $P$  is a special polygon, then

$$\exists_{P'} : P \subset P' \subset G \wedge \lambda(P) < \lambda(P')$$

*Proof.* By definition,  $P$  is composed of a finite collection of nonoverlapping special rectangles:

$$P = \bigcup_{k=1}^N I_k$$

Since  $G$  is open and  $P \subset G$ ,

$$G \setminus P \neq \emptyset \implies \exists_{I_{N+1} \text{ special rectangle}} I_{N+1} \subset G \setminus P$$

$I_{N+1}$  is then another nonoverlapping special rectangle so that

$$P' = P \cup I_{N+1} = \bigcup_{k=1}^{N+1} I_k \subset G$$

Since  $\lambda(P) = \sum_{k=1}^N \lambda(I_k)$ ,

$$\lambda(P') = \lambda(P) + \lambda(I_{N+1}) > \lambda(P)$$

therefore

$$P \subset P' \subset G \wedge \lambda(P) < \lambda(P')$$

□

### Problem 3

#### Problem:

Use the definition of Lebesgue measure,  $\lambda(G)$ , of an open set  $G \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  to prove the following statements:

a. If  $G$  is a bounded open set, then  $\lambda(G) < \infty$ .

b. Let

$$G = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 0 < x < 1 \wedge 0 < y < x^2\}$$

Then  $\lambda(G) = \frac{1}{3}$ .

(Hint: relate  $\lambda(G)$  to the lower and upper Darboux sums of the function  $f(x) = x^2$  on  $[0, 1]$ . However, you cannot use the methods of calculus to the extent that  $\lambda(G) = \int_0^1 x^2 dx = \frac{1}{3}$ . You must use the actual definition of  $\lambda(G)$ ).

**a) If  $G$  is a bounded open set, then  $\lambda(G) < \infty$ .**

**Theorem 3.** *Let  $G \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ . If  $G$  is a bounded open set then  $\lambda(G) < \infty$ .*

*Proof.* The definition of  $\lambda(G)$  as an open set is

$$\lambda(G) = \sup\{\lambda(P) : P \subset G, P \text{ is a special polygon}\}$$

Let  $P_k$  be defined as a sequence with  $P_k = \cup_{i=1}^k I_i \subset P_{k+1} \subset G \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since  $G$  is bounded, every  $P_k \subset G$  would also be bounded (which is enough to conclude that  $\lambda(P_k) \forall k$  is bounded). We have  $\lambda(P_k) \leq \lambda(P_{k+1})$ , and more specifically,

$$\lambda(P_{k+1}) = \lambda(P_k) + \lambda(I_{k+1})$$

Since  $I_{k+1} \cup G \setminus P_{k+1} = G \setminus P_k \subset G \setminus P_{k-1}$ ,

$$\lambda(G \setminus P_k) = \lambda(G \setminus P_{k+1}) + \lambda(I_{k+1})$$

and therefore  $\lambda(I_{k+1}) < \lambda(I_k)$ . This means that a finite upper bound exists on  $P_k$  as

$$\sup P_k = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^k I_i$$

and thus  $\lambda(G) = \sup P_k < \infty$ . □

**b) Let  $G = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 0 < x < 1 \wedge 0 < y < x^2\}$  Then  $\lambda(G) = \frac{1}{3}$ .**

**Example 1.** *Let*

$$G = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 0 < x < 1 \wedge 0 < y < x^2\}$$

$\lambda(G) = \frac{1}{3}$ .

*Proof.* Consider  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined as

$$f(x) = x^2$$

Defining a partition of  $[0, 1]$

$$\mathcal{P}_k = \{0 = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_k = 1\}$$

Since  $f$  is increasing  $\forall x \in [0, 1]$ , special polygons  $P_{l_k} \subset G \subset P_{u_k}$  can be defined as the union of special rectangles:

$$P_{l_k} = \bigcup_{i=1}^k I_{l_i}, \quad I_i = [x_{i-1}, x_i] \times [0, f(x_{i-1})]$$

and

$$P_{u_k} = \bigcup_{i=1}^k I_{u_i}, \quad I_i = [x_{i-1}, x_i] \times [0, f(x_i)]$$

We then have the Lebesgue Measures for the upper and lower special polygons as

$$\lambda(P_{l_k}) = \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda(I_{l_i}) = \sum_{i=1}^k (f(x_{i-1}) - 0) \cdot (x_i - x_{i-1}) = L(f, P_k)$$

and

$$\lambda(P_{u_k}) = \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda(I_{u_i}) = \sum_{i=1}^k (f(x_i) - 0) \cdot (x_i - x_{i-1}) = U(f, P_k)$$

where each are equivalent to their respective Darboux sums. Therefore,

$$\lambda(P_{l_k}) = L(f, P_k) \leq \sup_{P_k} \lambda(P_k) = L(f) \leq U(f) = \inf_{P_k} \lambda(P_k) \leq U(f, P_k) = \lambda(P_{u_k})$$

Since we know that these Darboux sums result in equivalent Darboux integrals,  $L(f) = U(f) = \mathcal{R} \int_0^1 f = \frac{1}{3}$ , we can say that

$$\lambda(P_{l_\infty}) = \lambda(G) = \lambda(P_{u_\infty}) = \frac{1}{3}$$

□



## Problem 4

### Problem:

Prove that every nonempty open subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  can be expressed as a countable disjoint union of open intervals:

$$G = \bigcup_k (a_k, b_k)$$

where the range on  $k$  can be finite or infinite. Furthermore, show that this expression is unique except for the number of the component intervals. (Hint: for any  $x \in G$ , show that there exist a largest open interval  $A_x$  such that  $x \in A_x$  and  $A_x \subseteq G$ . Also note that the set of rational numbers is countable and dense in  $\mathbb{R}$ .)

### Solution:

**Theorem 4.** *Let  $G \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be nonempty and open.  $G$  can be expressed as a countable disjoint union of open intervals:*

$$G = \bigcup_k (a_k, b_k)$$

*Proof.* Let  $x \in G$ . The largest open interval within  $G$  containing  $x$  is defined as

$$A_x := (a_x, b_x) \subseteq G : x \in (a_x, b_x) \wedge (\forall (a'_x, b'_x) \subseteq G, x \in (a'_x, b'_x) \implies (a'_x, b'_x) \subset (a_x, b_x))$$

From this definition we have the following for  $A_x = (a_x, b_x)$ ,

$$A_x = (a_x, b_x) \subseteq G \implies a_x \in \overline{G} \wedge b_x \in \overline{G}$$

Furthermore, the definition that  $A_x$  is the maximum possible subset implies that

$$a_x \in \partial G \wedge b_x \in \partial G$$

therefore

$$a_x < x < b_x : a_x, b_x \in \partial G$$

Since  $G \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , these boundary points will be unique. i.e.

$$\forall x \in G \exists! \text{unique } a_x, b_x \in \partial G : a_x < x < b_x$$

Consider  $K = \{x_k \in \mathbb{Q}\}$ . Since  $\mathbb{Q}$  is complete in  $\mathbb{R}$ , and therefore complete in  $G$ , we have that

$$\exists_{K \subset \mathbb{Q}} \bigcup_{x_k \in K} A_{x_k} = G$$

This is because every open region  $A_k = (a_k, b_k) \in G$  will contain a point  $x_k \in K$  which will result in the union of all these countable open regions to be equivalent to  $G$ .  $\square$

## Problem 5

### Problem:

In the notation of Problem 4, prove that  $\lambda(G) = \sum_k (b_k - a_k)$ .

### Solution:

**Theorem 5.** *Let  $G \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be nonempty and open. The Lebesgue Measure of  $G$  is defined as*

$$\lambda(G) = \sum_k (b_k - a_k)$$

*Proof.* From Theorem 4 we have that

$$G = \bigcup_k (a_k, b_k)$$

Since  $(a_k, b_k) \subset \mathbb{R}$ , we know that

$$\lambda((a_k, b_k)) = b_k - a_k$$

Since  $G$  is composed of a collection of disjoint open sets, we have that

$$\lambda\left(\bigcup_k (a_k, b_k)\right) = \sum_k \lambda((a_k, b_k))$$

Therefore,

$$\lambda(G) = \sum_k (b_k - a_k)$$

□

## Problem 6

### Problem:

Let  $C$  be the Cantor Set. Show that  $\frac{1}{4} \in C$  and that  $\frac{1}{4}$  is not an end point of any of the intervals in the  $G_k$ 's.

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**Definition 5.** The Cantor set  $C$  is defined by

$$C = [0, 1] \setminus \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} G_k$$

where  $G_k$  are defined as

$$\bigcup_{i=0}^{3^{k-1}-1} \left( \frac{3i+1}{3^{i+1}}, \frac{3i+2}{3^{i+1}} \right)$$

### Solution:

**Example 2.** Let  $C$  be the Cantor Set. Show that  $\frac{1}{4} \in C$  and  $\frac{1}{4} \notin \partial G_k \forall G_k$ .

*Proof.* For  $n = 1$ , we have  $C_n = C_1 = [0, 1] \setminus (\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$ .  $\frac{1}{4}$  is clearly in  $C_1$  since  $\frac{1}{4} \in [0, 1] \wedge \frac{1}{4} \notin (\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$ .  
Generally for  $n$ ,  $\frac{1}{4} \notin G_n$  since  $\forall i \in \mathbb{N} \frac{1}{4} \notin (\frac{3i+1}{3^{i+1}}, \frac{3i+2}{3^{i+1}})$ . Therefore, if  $\frac{1}{4} \in C_n$  then  $\frac{1}{4} \in C_{n+1}$  since

$$\frac{1}{4} \in C_n \implies \left( \frac{1}{4} \in [0, 1] \setminus \bigcup_{k=1}^n G_k \right) \wedge \frac{1}{4} \notin G_{n+1}$$

Therefore, by induction,  $\frac{1}{4} \in C$ .

Additionally, since  $\forall i \in \mathbb{N} \neg 3^i \vdots 4$ ,  $\frac{1}{4} \neq \frac{3i+1}{3^{i+1}} \neq \frac{3i+2}{3^{i+1}}$ . Therefore,  $\frac{1}{4}$  is not an endpoint of any of the intervals of  $G_k$ .  $\square$