

# Real Analysis

## Homework 1

HW1 marks: 9/10

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1.(Exercise 3) Construct a two..... September 24, 2018

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1. Construct a two-dimensional Cantor set in the unit square  $\{(x, y) : 0 \leq x, y \leq 1\}$  as follows. Subdivide the square into nine equal parts and keep only the four closed corner squares, removing the remaining region (which forms a cross). Then repeat this process in a suitably scaled version for the remaining squares, ad infinitum. Show that the resulting set is perfect, has plane measure zero, and equals  $C \times C$ .

**Proof.**

(i) The resulting set is perfect:

To prove  $C \times C$  is perfect, we have to show that for each point  $x \in C \times C$  and for each  $\epsilon > 0$ , we can find a point  $y \in C \times C - \{x\}$  s.t.  $|x - y| < \epsilon$

Choose  $k$  so that  $\sqrt{2/3^{2k}} < \epsilon$

Suppose  $x \in C \times C$ . Let  $[a_i, b_i] \times [a_j, b_j]$  be the interval of  $C_k \times C_k$  that contains  $x$ , for all  $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$

When the area is removed from  $[a_i, b_i] \times [a_j, b_j]$ , we get four parts  $[a_{i1}, b_{i1}] \times [a_{j1}, b_{j1}]$ ,  $[a_{i1}, b_{i1}] \times [a_{j2}, b_{j2}]$ ,  $[a_{i2}, b_{i2}] \times [a_{j1}, b_{j1}]$  and  $[a_{i2}, b_{i2}] \times [a_{j2}, b_{j2}]$  of  $C_{k+1} \times C_{k+1}$ . The point  $x$  is contained in one of those four parts, and there is a point  $y \in C \times C$  that is contained in the other one of those four intervals. So  $y \neq x$  and  $|x - y| \leq \sqrt{2/3^{2k}} < \epsilon$  ✓

(ii) The resulting set has measure zero:

$$|C \times C| = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 5 \cdot 2^{2(k-1)} \cdot 3^{-2k}\right) = 1 - 5 \cdot \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2^{2(k-1)} \cdot 3^{-2k} = 1 - 1 = 0$$

Hence, the resulting set has measure zero. ✓

2. Construct a subset of  $[0, 1]$  in the same manner as the Cantor set by removing from each remaining interval a subinterval of relative length  $\delta$ ,  $0 < \delta < 1$ . Show that the resulting set is perfect, has measure  $1 - \delta$ , and contains no intervals.

**Proof.**

(i) The resulting set is perfect:

To prove this Cantor set  $C$  is perfect, we have to show that for each  $x \in C$  and for each  $\epsilon > 0$ , we can find a point  $y \in C - \{x\}$  such that  $|x - y| < \epsilon$ .

To search for  $y$ , recall that  $C$  is constructed as the intersection of sets  $C_0 \supset C_1 \supset C_2 \supset C_3 \supset \dots$  where  $C_k$  is a union of  $2^k$  disjoint intervals each of length  $\delta/3^k$ , and recall also that  $C$  has nonempty intersection with each of those  $2^k$  intervals.

Choose  $k$  so that  $\delta/3^k < \epsilon$

Let  $[a, b]$  be the interval of  $C_k$  that contains  $x$ .

When the middle third is removed from  $[a, b]$ , one gets two intervals  $[a, b']$ ,  $[b'', b]$  of  $C_{k+1}$ . The point  $x$  is contained in one of those two intervals, and there is a point  $y \in C$  that is contained in the other one of those two intervals. So  $y \neq x$  and  $|x - y| < \epsilon$ . ✓

(ii) The resulting set has measure  $1 - \delta$ :

Let  $E_k$  be the  $k$ th stage of the resulting subinterval, so that the resulting set is  $C = \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} C_k$ . By the process of (i), we have

$$|C| = |\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} C_k| = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (1 - \sum_{i=1}^k 2^{i-1} \delta 3^{-i}) = 1 - \delta$$
 ✓

3. Construct a Cantor-type subset of  $[0, 1]$  by removing from each interval remaining at the  $k$ th stage a subinterval of relative length  $\theta_k$ ,  $0 < \theta_k < 1$ . Show that the remainder has measure zero if and only if  $\sum \theta_k = +\infty$ .

**Proof.**

Let  $E_k$  be the  $k$ th stage of the Cantor-type subinterval.

As we know that Cantor-type set  $E$  is equivalent to  $\bigcap_k E_k$ , so  $|E| = |\bigcap_k E_k| = \prod_k (1 - \theta_k)$

( $\Leftarrow$ )

Since  $0 < \theta_k < 1$ , we have

$$\log(1 - \theta_k) = \int_0^{\theta_k} \frac{-1}{1-x} dx = - \int_0^{\theta_k} 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots dx = - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\theta_k^n}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow -\log(1 - \theta_k) > \theta_k$$

Moreover, we know  $\sum \theta_k = +\infty$ , so

$$\sum \theta_k = +\infty < - \sum \log(1 - \theta_k) = -\log\left(\prod_k (1 - \theta_k)\right)$$

Hence,  $\log(\prod_k (1 - \theta_k)) = -\infty$ .

Since  $\log(\prod_k (1 - \theta_k)) \rightarrow -\infty \Rightarrow \prod_k (1 - \theta_k) = |E| \rightarrow 0$

Hence, if  $\sum \theta_k = +\infty$  then the remainder has measure zero.

( $\Rightarrow$ )

If  $\sum \theta_k = c < +\infty$ , then  $\theta_k \rightarrow 0$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  and  $(1 - \theta_k) \rightarrow 1$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .

Hence,  $|E| = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |E_k| = \prod_k (1 - \theta_k) > 0$ .

So the remainder has measure zero if  $\sum \theta_k = +\infty$ . ✓

4. If  $\{E_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  is a sequence of sets with  $\sum |E_k|_e < +\infty$ , show that  $\limsup E_k$  has measure zero.

**Proof.**

Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . By the definition of limit, since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n |E_k|_e = \sum |E_k|_e < +\infty$ , there exists  $N$  such that for  $n \geq N$ ,

$$\sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} |E_k|_e = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |E_k|_e - \sum_{k=1}^n |E_k|_e < \epsilon$$

Since  $\limsup E_k = \bigcap_{j=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{k=j}^{\infty} E_k \subseteq \bigcup_{k=N+1}^{\infty} E_k$ ,

$$|\limsup E_k|_e \leq \left| \bigcup_{k=N+1}^{\infty} E_k \right|_e \leq \sum_{k=N+1}^{\infty} |E_k|_e < \epsilon$$

$\epsilon > 0$  is arbitrary, so  $|\limsup E_k|_e = 0$ . Hence,  $\limsup E_k$  has measure zero. ✓

Since  $\liminf E_k \subseteq \limsup E_k$ ,  $|\liminf E_k|_e \leq |\limsup E_k|_e = 0$ .

Hence,  $\liminf E_k$  has also measure zero.

5. If  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  are measurable, show that  $|E_1 \cup E_2| + |E_1 \cap E_2| = |E_1| + |E_2|$ .

**Proof.**

Since  $E_1$  is measurable, we have

$$|E_1 \cup E_2| = |(E_1 \cup E_2) \cap E_1| + |(E_1 \cup E_2) \cap E_1^c| = |E_1| + |E_2 \cap E_1^c|$$

Moreover, we know that

$$\begin{aligned} |E_2| &= |E_1 \cap E_2| + |E_1^c \cap E_2| \\ \Rightarrow |E_1^c \cap E_2| &= |E_2| - |E_1 \cap E_2| \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} |E_1 \cup E_2| &= |E_1| + |E_2 \cap E_1^c| = |E_1| + (|E_2| - |E_1 \cap E_2|) \\ \Rightarrow |E_1 \cup E_2| + |E_1 \cap E_2| &= |E_1| + |E_2| \end{aligned}$$



6. If  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  are measurable subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^1$ , show that  $E_1 \times E_2$  is a measurable subset of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and  $|E_1 \times E_2| = |E_1| |E_2|$ .

**Proof.**

(i)  $|E_1 \times E_2|$  is measurable:

Since  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  are measurable,  $E_1 = H_1 \cup Z_1$  and  $E_2 = H_2 \cup Z_2$ , where  $H_1, H_2$  are of type  $F_\sigma$  and  $|Z_1| = 0, |Z_2| = 0$ .

Then

$$E_1 \times E_2 = (H_1 \times H_2) \cup (H_1 \times Z_2) \cup (Z_1 \times H_2) \cup (Z_1 \times Z_2)$$

Since  $H_1 \times H_2$  is also of type  $F_\sigma$ , we have to prove other terms have measure zero.

Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Since  $|Z_2| = 0$ , there exists intervals  $\{I_k\}$  such that  $Z_2 \subseteq \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} I_k$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |I_k| < \epsilon$ . Write  $H_1^n = H_1 \cap [-n, n]$ , then  $H_1 = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} H_1^n$ . Note that

$$H_1^n \times Z_2 \subseteq [-n, n] \times \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} I_k = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} ([-n, n] \times I_k)$$

so

$$|H_1^n \times Z_2|_e \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2n |I_k| = 2n\epsilon$$

Since  $\epsilon > 0$  is arbitrary,  $|H_1^n \times Z_2| = 0$  for each  $n$ . So

$$|H_1 \times Z_2| = \left| \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (H_1^n \times Z_2) \right|_e \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |H_1^n \times Z_2|_e = 0$$

Thus  $|H_1 \times Z_2| = 0$ , similarly,  $Z_1 \times H_2$  and  $Z_1 \times Z_2$  have also measure zero.

Hence

$$|E_1 \times E_2| = |(H_1 \times H_2) \cup (H_1 \times Z_2) \cup (Z_1 \times H_2) \cup (Z_1 \times Z_2)| = |E_1||E_2|$$

(ii)  $|E_1 \times E_2| = |E_1||E_2|$ :

**Case 1** Suppose  $|E_1|$  and  $|E_2|$  are both finite:

Since  $E_1, E_2$  are measurable, for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  there are open sets  $S_k \supseteq E_1, T_k \supseteq E_2$  such that  $|S_k - E_1| < 1/k, |T_k - E_2| < 1/k$ . We may assume  $S_{k+1} \subseteq S_k, T_{k+1} \subseteq T_k$ .

Since  $S_k$  is open,  $S_k = \cup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} I_i$  for some non-overlapping closed intervals. Similarly,  $T_k = \cup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} J_j$  for some non-overlapping closed intervals.

So

$$|S_k \times T_k| = |\cup_{(i,j) \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}} (I_i \times J_j)| = \sum_{i,j \in \mathbb{N}} |I_i \times J_j| = \sum_{i,j \in \mathbb{N}} |I_i||J_j| = (\sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} |I_i|)(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{N}} |J_j|) = |S_k||T_k|$$

Write  $S = \cap_{k=1}^{\infty} S_k, T = \cap_{k=1}^{\infty} T_k$ . then  $|S - E_1| = |T - E_2| = 0$ .

Hence

$$|E_1 \times E_2| = |S \times T| = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |S_k \times T_k| = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |S_k||T_k| = |E_1||E_2|$$

where the second equality follows by Monotone Convergence Theorem for measure, since  $S_k \times T_k \searrow S \times T$  and  $|S_k \times T_k| < \infty$  for some  $k$  since  $|E_1|, |E_2|$  are both finite. The last equality also follows by Monotone Convergence Theorem for measure.

**Case 2** Suppose one of  $|E_1|, |E_2|$  are infinite:

If  $|E_1| = \infty$  and  $|E_2| > 0$ , then write  $E_1^n = E_1 \cap [-n, n]$ .

$$|E_1 \times E_2| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |E_1^n \times E_2| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |E_1^n||E_2| = |E_1||E_2| = \infty$$

where the first equality follows by Monotone Convergence Theorem for measure, since  $E_1^n \times E_2 \nearrow E_1 \times E_2$ .

If  $|E_1| = \infty$  and  $|E_2| = 0$ ,  $|E_1 \times E_2| = 0$  by our first lemma. ✓

7. Motivated by (3.7), define the *inner measure* of  $E$  by  $|E|_i = \sup |F|$ , where the supremum is taken over all closed subsets  $F$  of  $E$ . Show that (i)  $|E|_i \leq |E|_e$ , and (ii) if  $|E|_e < +\infty$ , then  $E$  is measurable if and only if  $|E|_i = |E|_e$

**Proof.**

(i)

Since  $F$  is closed, we know  $F$  is measurable and  $|F| = |F|_e$ .

Since  $F \subset E \Rightarrow |F| = |F|_e \leq |E|_e$ .

Moreover, by the definition of *inner measure*, we now have

$$|E|_i = \sup |F| \leq \sup |E|_e = |E|_e \quad \checkmark$$


(ii)

By **Lemma 3.22**,  $E$  is measurable if and only if give  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a closed set  $F \subset E$  such that  $|E - F|_e < \epsilon$ .

So what we need to do is to prove that  $|E - F|_e < \epsilon$  is equivalent to  $|E|_i = |E|_e$ .

$E = (E - F) \cup F$  and  $|E|_e < \infty$ , so we have

$$|E|_e = |E - F|_e + |F|_e < \epsilon + |F|_e \Rightarrow |E|_e \leq \sup |F| = |E|_i$$

Since  $|E|_e \leq \sup |F| = |E|_i$  and (i)  $|E|_i \leq |E|_e$ , hence,  $|E|_i = |E|_e$ . 

8. Show that the conclusion of part (ii) of Exercise 13 is false if  $|E|_e = +\infty$ .

**Proof.**

Given  $A$  is a non-measurable set in  $(0, 1)$  and define  $E = (-\infty, 0] \cup A \cup [1, +\infty)$ .

Then we will have

$$|E|_e = \infty = |E|_i$$

But  $E$  is non-measurable, so the conclusion of part (ii) in previous Exercise will be false if  $|E|_e = +\infty$ . 