

AMCS/MATH 609

Problem set 1 due January 27, 2015

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**Reading:** There are many excellent references for this material; I especially like *Real Analysis* by Elias Stein and Rami Shakarchi. **Standard problems:** The solutions to the following problems do not need to be handed in.

1. Let  $f$  be a measurable function defined in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  and define

$$\Gamma_f = \{(x, f(x)) : x \in \mathbb{R}^d\}. \quad (1)$$

Show that  $\Gamma_f$  is a measurable set, and that  $m(\Gamma_f) = 0$ .

2. Show that there does *not* exist a function  $I \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$  so that, for every  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ ,

$$f * I = f. \quad (2)$$

**Homework assignment:** The solutions to the following problems should be carefully written up and handed in.

1. Suppose that  $F$  is a closed set in  $\mathbb{R}$  whose complement has finite measure. Let  $\delta(x)$  denote the distance to  $F$  :

$$\delta(x) = \inf\{|x - y| : y \in F\}, \quad (3)$$

and let

$$I(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{\delta(y)dy}{|x - y|^2} \quad (4)$$

- (a) Prove that  $\delta$  is continuous, by showing that it satisfies the Lipschitz condition:

$$|\delta(x) - \delta(y)| \leq |x - y|. \quad (5)$$

- (b) Show that  $I(x) = \infty$  for each  $x \notin F$ .

- (c) Show that  $I(x) < \infty$  for a.e.  $x \in F$ . [Hint: Investigate  $\int_F \delta(x)dx$ .]

2. Let  $f$  be a measurable finite valued function defined on  $[0, 1]$ , and suppose that  $|f(x) - f(y)|$  is integrable over  $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ . Show that  $f(x)$  is integrable over  $[0, 1]$ .

3. Suppose that  $f$  and  $g$  are measurable functions on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .

(a) Prove that  $f(x - y)g(y)$  is measurable on  $\mathbb{R}^{2d}$ .

(b) Show that if  $f$  and  $g$  are integrable on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , then  $f(x - y)g(y)$  is integrable on  $\mathbb{R}^{2d}$ .

(c) Show that the convolution  $f * g(x)$ ,

$$f * g(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(x - y)g(y)dy \quad (6)$$

is well defined for a.e.  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ .

(d) Show that if  $f$  and  $g$  are integrable on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , then

$$\|f * g\|_{L^1} \leq \|f\|_{L^1} \|g\|_{L^1}, \quad (7)$$

with equality if  $f$  and  $g$  are non-negative.

(e) The Fourier transform of an  $L^1$ -function is defined by

$$\hat{f}(\xi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(x)e^{-2\pi i x \xi} dx. \quad (8)$$

Show that  $\hat{f}(\xi)$  is a bounded and continuous of  $\xi$ . If  $f$  and  $g$  are integrable, then show that, for each  $\xi$  we have

$$\widehat{f * g}(\xi) = \hat{f}(\xi)\hat{g}(\xi). \quad (9)$$

4. Let  $K_\delta(x) = e^{-\pi|x|^2/\delta}\delta^{-\frac{d}{2}}$ , and for  $\epsilon > 0$  define

$$f_\epsilon(x) = \int_0^\infty K_\delta(x)e^{-\pi\delta}\delta^{\epsilon-1}d\delta. \quad (10)$$

Use Fubini's theorem to show that  $f_\epsilon \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$  and show that

$$\hat{f}_\epsilon(\xi) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\pi\delta|\xi|^2}e^{-\pi\delta}\delta^{\epsilon-1}d\delta. \quad (11)$$

Finally show that there is a positive constant,  $C_\epsilon$ , so that

$$\hat{f}_\epsilon(\zeta) = \frac{C_\epsilon}{(1 + |\zeta|^2)^\epsilon} \quad (12)$$

5. Suppose that  $f$  is a non-trivial element of  $L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , and let  $f^*$  be its maximal function. Show that there is a constant  $c > 0$  so that

$$f^*(x) \geq \frac{c}{|x|^d} \text{ for all } |x| \geq 1, \quad (13)$$

and hence  $f^*$  is not integrable on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .

6. Define the function on  $\mathbb{R}$  by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{|x|(\log|x|)^2} & \text{for } |x| \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \text{for } |x| > \frac{1}{2}. \end{cases} \quad (14)$$

Show that  $f$  is integrable, but there is a positive constant  $c$  so that

$$f^*(x) \geq \frac{c}{|x||\log|x||} \text{ for } |x| \leq \frac{1}{2}, \quad (15)$$

and therefore  $f^*$  is not locally integrable.