

Math 217 Fall 2013 Homework 9 Solutions

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- This homework consists of 6 problems of 5 points each. The total is 30.
- You need to fully justify your answer – prove that your function indeed has the specified property – for each problem.
- Please read this week’s lecture notes before working on the problems.

Question 1. Consider the following set:

$$A := \left\{ \left(\frac{p}{q}, \frac{r}{q} \right) \mid p, q \in \mathbb{N}, (p, q), (r, q) \text{ co-prime} \right\} \cap [0, 1]^2. \quad (1)$$

Prove that for every $\alpha \in [0, 1]$, $\mu(A \cap \{x = \alpha\}) = \mu(A \cap \{y = \alpha\}) = 0$, therefore

$$\int_0^1 \mu(A \cap \{x = t\}) dt = \int_0^1 \mu(A \cap \{y = t\}) dt = 0, \quad (2)$$

but $\mu(A)$ does not exist. (This example is constructed by A. Pringsheim in 1898).

Solution.

Note that if $\alpha \notin \mathbb{Q}$, then $A \cap \{x = \alpha\} = A \cap \{y = \alpha\} = \emptyset$ so the (1-dimensional) measure is 0. If $\alpha \in \mathbb{Q}$, then $\alpha = \frac{m}{n}$ for some (m, n) co-prime. But then both $A \cap \{x = \alpha\}$ and $A \cap \{y = \alpha\}$ are finite set so again the measure is 0.

Since $A \subseteq \mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q}$, it is clear that $A^o = \emptyset$ so $\mu_{\text{in}}(A) = 0$. To show that A is not measurable, we prove $\bar{A} = [0, 1]^2$. For any $(x, y) \in [0, 1]^2$ and any $r > 0$, there is always $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and k, l odd such that

$$\left| x - \frac{k}{2^n} \right| < \frac{r}{2}, \quad \left| y - \frac{l}{2^n} \right| < \frac{r}{2}. \quad (3)$$

Thus

$$B((x, y), r) \cap A \neq \emptyset \quad (4)$$

and consequently $(x, y) \in \bar{A}$. Thus ends the proof.

Question 2. Calculate

$$\int_D x^2 y^2 d(x, y) \quad (5)$$

where D is the triangle enclosed by $y = \frac{b}{a}x$, $y = 0$, $x = a$.

Solution. We have

$$\begin{aligned}\int_D x^2 y^2 d(x, y) &= \int_0^a \left[\int_0^{\frac{bx}{a}} x^2 y^2 dy \right] dx \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \frac{b^3}{a^3} \int_0^a x^5 dx = \frac{a^3 b^3}{18}.\end{aligned}\tag{6}$$

Question 3. Calculate

$$\int_D (x^2 + y^2) d(x, y)\tag{7}$$

where D is enclosed by

$$y = a + x, y = x, y = a, y = 3a.\tag{8}$$

Solution. We have

$$\int_D (x^2 + y^2) d(x, y) = \int_a^{3a} \left[\int_{y-a}^y (x^2 + y^2) dx \right] dy = 14a^4.\tag{9}$$

Question 4. Calculate the area enclosed by $y = x^2$ and $y^2 = x$.

Solution. Let D be the set. We have

$$\int_D 1 d(x, y) = \int_0^1 \left[\int_{x^2}^{\sqrt{x}} dy \right] dx = \int_0^1 (\sqrt{x} - x^2) dx = \frac{1}{3}.\tag{10}$$

Question 5. Let $f(x, y)$ be continuous on $I := [a, b] \times [c, d]$. Define for $(x, y) \in I$,

$$F(x, y) := \int_{[a, x] \times [c, y]} f(u, v) d(u, v).\tag{11}$$

Prove that

$$\frac{\partial^2 F(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 F(x, y)}{\partial y \partial x} = f(x, y).\tag{12}$$

Solution. Since $f(x, y)$ is continuous, by Fubini we have

$$F(x, y) = \int_a^x \left[\int_c^y f(u, v) dv \right] du.\tag{13}$$

Now for fixed y , we show

$$\Phi(u) := \int_c^y f(u, v) dv\tag{14}$$

is a continuous function of u . Fix u_0 . We show that $\Phi(u)$ is continuous at u_0 .

Since f is continuous on I , it is uniformly continuous. Thus for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there is $r > 0$ such that for all $\|(u_1, v_1) - (u_2, v_2)\| < r$, $|f(u_1, v_1) - f(u_2, v_2)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{d-c}$. Now for every $|u - u_0| < r$, we have

$$|\Phi(u) - \Phi(u_0)| = \left| \int_c^y |f(u, v) - f(u_0, v)| dv \right| < \varepsilon. \quad (15)$$

Therefore $\Phi(u)$ is continuous.

Now by FTC (single variable),

$$\frac{\partial F(x, y)}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\int_a^x \Phi(u) du \right] = \Phi(x) = \int_c^y f(x, v) dv. \quad (16)$$

Now since $f(x, v)$ is clearly continuous in v , applying FTC again we have

$$\frac{\partial^2 F(x, y)}{\partial y \partial x} = f(x, y). \quad (17)$$

The proof for $\frac{\partial^2 F(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y} = f(x, y)$ is similar.

Question 6. Let $I := [a, b] \times [c, d]$. Let $f(x): [a, b] \mapsto \mathbb{R}$, $g(x): [c, d] \mapsto \mathbb{R}$. Let $F(x, y) := f(x)g(y)$.

- a) Prove that $F(x, y)$ is integrable on I if f, g are integrable on $[a, b]$, $[c, d]$ respectively. Furthermore we have

$$\int_I F(x, y) d(x, y) = \left[\int_a^b f(x) dx \right] \left[\int_c^d g(x) dx \right]. \quad (18)$$

- b) Does it hold that $F(x, y)$ is integrable only if f, g are integrable?
c) Prove

$$\left[\int_a^b f(x) dx \right]^2 \leq (b-a) \int_a^b f(x)^2 dx \quad (19)$$

through studying

$$\int_{[a, b]^2} [f(x) - f(y)]^2 d(x, y). \quad (20)$$

Solution.

- a) Note that it suffices to prove for $f, g \geq 0$. For general f, g we use

$$f(x)g(y) = f^+(x)g^+(y) - f^-(x)g^+(y) - f^+(x)g^-(y) + f^-(x)g^-(y) \quad (21)$$

where

$$f^+(x) := \max(f(x), 0), f^-(x) := \min(f(x), 0) \quad (22)$$

and g^+, g^- are defined similarly.

Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $h_1 := \frac{b-a}{n}$, $h_2 := \frac{d-c}{n}$. Define

$$I_{i,n} := [a + (i-1)h_1, a + ih_1], \quad J_{j,n} := [c + (j-1)h_2, c + jh_2], \quad I_{ij,n} := I_{i,n} \times J_{j,n}. \quad (23)$$

For each i we set

$$f_{i,n} := \sup_{x \in I_{i,n}} f(x); \quad g_{i,n} := \sup_{x \in J_{i,n}} g(x). \quad (24)$$

Then define

$$G_h(x, y) := f_{i,n} g_{j,n} \quad (25)$$

for all $(x, y) \in I_{ij,n}$. Now we have $G_h \geq F(x, y)$ and is a simple function. Thus

$$U(F, I) \leq \int_I G_h(x, y) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n f_{i,n} h_1 \right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^n g_{j,n} h_2 \right). \quad (26)$$

Taking $n \rightarrow \infty$ we have

$$U(F, I) \leq \left[\int_a^b f(x) dx \right] \left[\int_c^d g(x) dx \right] \quad (27)$$

by the integrability of f, g . Similarly we have

$$L(F, I) \geq \left[\int_a^b f(x) dx \right] \left[\int_c^d g(x) dx \right]. \quad (28)$$

Thus $U(F, I) = L(F, I) = \left[\int_a^b f(x) dx \right] \left[\int_c^d g(x) dx \right]$ and the conclusion follows.

- b) "Only if" does not hold. For example take $f(x) = D(x)$ the Dirichlet function and $g(x) = 0$.
- c) By a) $f(x) f(y)$ is integrable on $[a, b]^2$. Furthermore $f(x)$ integrable on $[a, b]$ means $f(x)^2$ is integrable on $[a, b]$. Now by a) we have $f(x)^2 = f(x)^2 \cdot 1$ is integrable on $[a, b]^2$. Similarly $f(y)^2$ is integrable on $[a, b]^2$.

We have, again through application of a),

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \int_{[a,b]^2} [f(x) - f(y)]^2 d(x, y) \\ &= \int_{[a,b]^2} f(x)^2 d(x, y) + \int_{[a,b]^2} f(y)^2 d(x, y) - 2 \int_{[a,b]^2} f(x) f(y) d(x, y) \\ &= 2(b-a) \int_a^b f(x)^2 dx - 2 \left[\int_a^b f(x) dx \right]^2 \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

and the conclusion follows.

Remark. For the "only if" part, in fact the only problem is that one of f, g can be 0. But formulating a positive statement seems messy.