

0.4 Frostman's Lemma

Thm (F.L): Let $0 \leq s \leq n$, $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be ^{compact}. Then $\mathcal{H}^s(A) > 0$ if and only if $\exists \mu \neq 0$ a Borel measure s.t. $\text{supp}(\mu) \subseteq A$ [$\mu \in \mathcal{M}(A)$] s.t. $\mu(B(x, r)) < r^s \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n, r > 0$.

Pf.: \Leftarrow . Let $A \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} B(x_i, r_i)$ be a covering by balls. Now

$\sum d(B(x_i, r_i))^s \sim \sum r_i^s > \sum \mu(B(x_i, r_i)) \geq \mu(A) > 0$. Since the covering was arbitrary, $\mathcal{H}^s(A) > 0$.

ASSUME $\mathcal{H}^s(A) > 0 \Rightarrow \exists c$ s.t. $\mathcal{H}^s(A) \geq c > 0$

\Rightarrow . We first construct a measure μ_k which will be "mu resolved to scales 2^{-k} ".

Let $\mathbb{R}^n = \bigsqcup_j C_{k,j}$ be the partition into cubes of sidelength 2^{-k} with sides parallel to the coordinate axes. Now define $f_{k,k}(x) = \begin{cases} d(C_{k,j})^s / \mathcal{L}^n(C_{k,j}) & \text{if } x \in C_{k,j} \cap A \text{ and } C_{k,j} \cap A \neq \emptyset \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Let $\mu_{k,k} = f_{k,k} \mathcal{L}^n$. Define inductively $f_{k,i}(x) = \begin{cases} d(C_{k,i})^s / \mathcal{L}^n(C_{k,i}) & \text{if } x \in C_{k,i} \cap A \text{ and } \mu_{k,i-1}(C_{k,i}) > d(C_{k,i}) \\ f_{k,i-1}(x) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Observe $f_{k,0} \geq f_{k,1} \geq f_{k,2} \geq \dots$. So $\mu_{k,i} \rightarrow \mu_k$. Also $\mu_k(\mathbb{R}^n) \geq \mathcal{H}^s(A) > 0$

As $\mu_k(B(x, r)) \leq r^s$, $\mu_k \rightarrow \mu$ weakly and μ does the job. \square

Application:

Defn.: The s-energy of a Borel measure μ is $I_s(\mu) := \iint |x-y|^{-s} d\mu(x) d\mu(y)$.

Note, μ has compact support \Rightarrow for $0 < t < s$ $I_s(\mu) < \infty \Rightarrow I_t(\mu) < \infty$.

Thm: Let $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be ^{compact}, then

$$\dim_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = \sup \{s : \exists \mu \in \mathcal{M}(A) \text{ with } I_s(\mu) < \infty\}.$$

Pf: Consider $I_s(\mu, x) = \int |x-y|^{-s} d\mu(y) = \int_0^{\infty} r^{-s} \frac{d}{dr} \mu(B(x, r)) dr = s \int_0^{\infty} r^{-(s+1)} \mu(B(x, r)) dr$

Let $\dim_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = s$, let μ_A be the Frostman measure.

$$\text{Thus } I_{s-\varepsilon}(\mu_A, x) \leq (s-\varepsilon) \int_0^{2^{-N}} r^{-1+\varepsilon} dr + (s-\varepsilon) \int_N^{\infty} r^{-(s+1)} C dr < \infty$$

$$\Rightarrow I_{s-\varepsilon}(\mu_A) < \infty.$$

Now suppose $\exists 0 \leq s \leq n$ s.t. $\exists \mu \in \mathcal{M}(A)$ s.t. $I_\mu(A) < \infty \Rightarrow \int |x-y|^{-s} d\mu(y) < \infty$ for μ -a.e. x

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^{\infty} r^{-(s+1)} \mu(B(x, r)) dr < \infty \text{ for } \mu\text{-a.e. } x$$

Thus $\exists M > 0$ s.t. $\mu(\{x : I(\mu, x) < M\}) > 0$. Consider $\mu \llcorner B$. Clearly $\mu \llcorner B \in \mathcal{M}(A)$, $\mu \llcorner B \neq 0$,

$$\mu \llcorner B(B(x, r)) \leq r^s.$$

So, by Frostman's Lemma, $\mathcal{H}^s(A) > 0 \Rightarrow \dim_{\mathcal{H}}(A) \geq s$. \square

Question: Define $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a^n \cos(\pi b^n x)$. For $ab \geq 1$, $0 < a < 1$ this is continuous but nowhere differentiable. What is the Hausdorff dim of the graph of f ? (~~I think this is still open~~)
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Ref to weak convergence:

Mattila "Fourier Analysis and Hausdorff Dimension"

0.5 Wavelets

$$X = \mathbb{R}^n$$

Idea: Want a basis of $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ to localize both in frequency and physical space.

Eg 1 (the Haar basis): Let $\psi = \chi_{[0,1/2)} - \chi_{[1/2,1)}$, $\varphi = \chi_{[0,1)}$,
the set $\{2^{j/2} \psi(2^j x - k) : j, k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ is an orthonormal basis of $L^2(\mathbb{R})$.

Let $\psi^0 = \varphi$, $\psi^1 = \psi$, for $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ $\psi^{(e_1, \dots, e_n)}(x) = \psi^{e_1}(x_1) \dots \psi^{e_n}(x_n)$ $e_i \in \{0, 1\}$

then $\{2^{nj/2} \psi^{(e_1, \dots, e_n)}(2^j x - k) : j \in \mathbb{Z}, k \in \mathbb{Z}^n, (e_1, \dots, e_n) \in \{0, 1\}^n \setminus \{(0, \dots, 0)\}\}$
 $\psi_{j,k}^{(e)}$ is an orthonormal basis for $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

Any $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ can be written (uniquely) as $f = \sum_{e, j, k} \langle f, \psi_{j,k}^{(e)} \rangle \psi_{j,k}^{(e)}$

However, partial sums of this do not encode "low frequency" parts of f as ψ is not smooth.

Eg 2: The ψ, φ can be chosen to be Schwartz fns. and we consequently ~~get~~ as above we get a WAVELET basis of $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

Eg 3 (Characterizing Besov spaces): Let $\alpha_{p,q}(h) = \sup_{l \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \frac{\|f(\cdot + l) - f(\cdot)\|_p}{h^\alpha}$

$$f \in B_{p,q}^\alpha \Leftrightarrow \int_0^\infty (\alpha_{p,q}(h))^q \frac{dh}{h} < +\infty$$

Let $\varphi_h(\cdot) = \frac{1}{h^n} \varphi(\frac{\cdot}{h})$ be an approximation of the identity, $f_h = f * \varphi_h$

$$\text{Now } \|f_h - f\|_{L^p} = \left\| \int_{B(x,h)} (f(y) - f(x)) \varphi_h(x-y) dy \right\|_{L^p} \leq \alpha_{p,q}(h) h^\alpha$$

Similarly, $\|\partial^\beta f_h\|_{L^p} \leq \alpha_{p,q}(h) h^{-m+\alpha}$, where β is a multi-index with $|\beta| = m$.

Note for $h' < h$, $\alpha_{p,q}(h') \leq \alpha_{p,q}(h) \left[\frac{h}{h'}\right]^{\alpha p}$

Let $\tilde{\alpha}(h) = \alpha_{p,q}(2^j)$ for $2^{j-1} < h \leq 2^j$. So $\tilde{\alpha}(h) \leq \alpha_{p,q}(h) \leq 2^\alpha \tilde{\alpha}(h)$

$$\int_0^\infty (\alpha_{p,q}(h))^p \frac{dh}{h} = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_{2^{j-1}}^{2^j} (\alpha_{p,q}(h))^p \frac{dh}{h} \sim \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \tilde{\alpha}(2^j)^p < +\infty \Leftrightarrow (\alpha_{p,q}(2^j))_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \in \ell^q(\mathbb{Z})$$

$$f \in B_{p,q}^\alpha \Leftrightarrow \exists f_0, g_1, g_2, \dots \text{ st. } \begin{aligned} \|g_j\|_{L^p} &\leq \varepsilon_j 2^{-j\alpha} \\ \|\partial^\beta g_j\|_{L^p} &\leq \varepsilon_j 2^{-j(\alpha-m)}, |\beta| = m \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{with } (\varepsilon_j)_{j=1}^\infty \in \ell^q$$

Put $g_j = \sum_{e, k} \langle f, \psi_{j,k}^{(e)} \rangle \psi_{j,k}^{(e)}$, so $\|g_j\|_{L^p}^p \sim \sum_{e, k} |\langle f, \psi_{j,k}^{(e)} \rangle|^p 2^{nj(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{p})p}$

$$f \in B_{p,q}^\alpha \Leftrightarrow \left(\sum_{e, k} |\langle f, \psi_{j,k}^{(e)} \rangle|^p \right)^{1/p} 2^{nj(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{p}) + j\alpha} \Big|_{j=1}^\infty \in \ell^q$$