

We have seen
 Then $A \subset \mathbb{R}^1$, measurable, $\lambda(E) = c$

Then we can cover A by
 countably many 1-width strips
 of total width C/ϵ .

Trivial Corollary
 Let $A \subset \mathbb{R}^1$, $\lambda(E) = 0$

Then for every $\epsilon > 0$ we
 can cover A by lip strips
 of total width ϵ .

(non-trivial) Corollary
 Let $A \subset \mathbb{R}^1$, $\lambda(A) = 0$
 (Borel measurable)

Then $A = A_1 \cup A_2$
 such that $\forall \epsilon > 0$,
 we can cover A_1 by countably
 many "horizontal" 1-lip strips
 (of varying ϵ) of total width ϵ

and
 A_2 by "vertical" lip strips of
 varying total width ϵ .

Remark A_1 and A_2 does not depend on ϵ .

Proof of Corollary from Thm
 This $\forall \epsilon > 0$ we can cover A by "horizontal" and "vertical" strips.
 Let $A_1 = A \cap (\text{union of "horizontal" strips})$
 $A_2 = A \cap (\text{"vertical" strips})$

Then let
 $A_1 = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i^{(n)}$

$A_2 = A \setminus A_1$

$\forall N$ $A_1 \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^N A_i^{(i)}$, so A_1 can be covered
 by countably many
 horizontal lip strips
 of total width $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} 2^{-i} = 2^{-N+1}$ say

and $A_2 \setminus A_1 \subset \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i^{(n)}$ □

Weak tangent fields

Def $E \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ Borel
 Let $\tau: E \rightarrow \mathbb{G}(2,1)$ Borel
 straight lines through origin
 in the plane
 (it's like fixing one line
 through each point
 of E)

This τ is a weak tangent
 field to E if

for every C^1 smooth curve S
 $S \cap E \neq \emptyset$ for \mathcal{H}^1 -almost all
 points $p \in S \cap E$
 $\tau(p)$ is the tangent
 of S at p .

Example
 If E is itself a smooth curve,
 then $\tau =$ tangent line
 is a weak tangent field



Example $E = \{0\}^2$. Then there
 is no weak tangent
 field.

Proof
 Consider horizontal line curve
 Then τ must be horizontal
 at almost every point
 of every line
 so τ is horizontal
 Lebesgue-a.e. $x \in \{0\}^1$
 And vertical is not
 possible. □

Same argument gives:
 The weak tangent field exists $\Rightarrow E$ has
 Lebesgue measure zero

Thm If $E \subset \mathbb{R}^2$, Borel, $\lambda(E) = 0$
 Then there is a weak tangent
 field.

Def Weak tangent cone field:
 $\tau: E \rightarrow \text{cones}$
 such that $\forall C^1$ curve
 S , at \mathcal{H}^1 -a.e. point of
 $S \cap E$ the
 the tangent of S is
 the cone given by τ .



Lemma Let E be a Borel null-set in the plane.

Let $E = E_1 \cup E_2$ such that $\forall \epsilon > 0$ E_1 can be covered by "horizontal" $1-\epsilon$ lip strips of total width ϵ and E_2 ... "vertical" ...

Let $\tau(x) = \begin{cases} \text{horizontal line} & \text{if } x \in E_1 \\ \text{vertical line} & \text{if } x \in E_2 \end{cases}$
we may assume $E_1 \cap E_2 = \emptyset$
the cone contains lines of slope between -1 and 1

Claim: Then this τ is a weak tangent cone field to E .

Proof Assume S is a C^1 -curve we may assume that S is actually a graph of a $y=f(x)$ 1-Lipich (C^1) function.

It is now enough to show that

$$\mathcal{H}^1(S \cap E_2) = 0$$

if S is graph of a $1-\delta$ lip function and E_2 is covered by "vertical" lip strips of total width δ

$$\text{then } \mathcal{H}^1(S \cap E_2) \leq C \delta \approx 0$$

Now we know there is cone field

for every ϵ there is a cone field using cones



$\tau_\epsilon: E \rightarrow$ cones that are the ϵ widened copy of τ or τ

Let $\Theta =$ countable dense set of angles

Let $\tau(p) = \bigcap_{\theta \in \Theta} \tau_\theta(p)$
countable intersection of cones

Claim: $\tau(p)$ is a line (or a point)



Lemma τ is a tangent field, because intersection of cone fields is still a cone field

Proof Fix S C^1 -curve

We know that for W a ϵ point of $S \cap E$

the cone $\tau_\epsilon(p)$ contains the tangent of S at p .

so at a ϵ point of $S \cap E$ $\forall \theta \in \Theta$ $\tau_\theta(p)$ contains the tangent of S at p

so $\tau = \bigcap \tau_\theta$ equals (contains) the tangent of S at p .

Remark The defined τ is either a line or $\{p\}$ at every $p \in E$

Remark If $E \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ is purely unrectifiable (so intersects every C^1 -curve in \mathcal{H}^1 -measure zero)

then every τ is a weak tangent field to E .
(Example: $E = \text{Cantor set} \times \{\text{Cantor set}\}$) \square

Things to read for this topic are:

AlbeAri-Csörnyei-Piess:

Structure of null sets
in the plane and applications

Matoušek's paper

Paper by My or Khovshchev

Simple proof of a
theorem on removable
singularities of analytic
functions satisfying a
Lipschitz condition

Remark

If $E \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ is a Kakeya set
(Besicovitch)

of zero Lebesgue measure

there is still a well tangent

(What does it look like?)^{field}

Thm (Ug 1573)

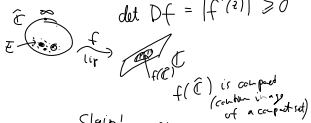
Let $E \subset \mathbb{C}$ compact
of positive Lebesgue measure.
Then there is a non-constant
function $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$
that is analytic in $\mathbb{C} \setminus E$
and Lipschitz in \mathbb{C} .
and bounded.
(And in fact, $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$,
analytic at ∞ as well)

Observation (P. Jones)

This then implies that E
is mapped onto a set
of non-empty interior
by this Lipschitz map f .

Why? \mathbb{C} is a sphere topologically
Analytic maps are orientation preserving

Remark $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, analytic at z ,
then $f'(z) \in \mathbb{C}$
and $Df = 2 \times 2$ matrix
 $\det Df = |f'(z)|^2 \geq 0$



$f(\mathbb{C})$ is compact
(continuous image
of a compact)

Claim 1 $f(\mathbb{C})$ has non-empty interior

Proof f is not constant and
analytic at $\mathbb{C} \setminus E$
If $f'(z) \neq 0$ for some $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus E$
then $f(B(z, \epsilon))$ has non-empty
interior
If $f'(z) = 0 \forall z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus E$
then f is
constant on connected
components of
 $\mathbb{C} \setminus E$

Assume:
 \mathbb{C} is totally disconnected,
then $\mathbb{C} \setminus E$ is connected.

Then $f|_{\mathbb{C} \setminus E}$ is constant

so $f|_{\overline{\mathbb{C} \setminus E}}$ is constant

and $\overline{\mathbb{C} \setminus E} = \mathbb{C}$. (as E has
empty interior)

So Claim 1 holds if E is totally disconnected
(that we can assume)

Claim 2 $f(\mathbb{C}) = f(E)$

(So Claim 1 + Claim 2 $\Rightarrow f(\mathbb{C})$ has non-empty
interior)

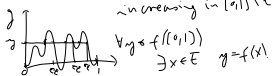
Claim 2a
 $f: S^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ continuous
and f is orientation preserving
at all points of $S^1 \setminus E$
then $f(S^1) = f(E)$.
 f is smooth in \mathbb{R}^2 and $\det Df(p) > 0$
for $p \in S^1 \setminus E$

Why is this Claim true? f is not
Let's look at it for $f: S^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

Claim Let $f: S^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ continuous,
 $E \subset S^1$ compact,
 f is orient. preserving in $S^1 \setminus E$
then $f(S^1) = f(E)$.

Proof Assume f is smooth in $S^1 \setminus E$

Let $g: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $g(0) = g(1)$.
 $E \subset (0, 1)$ compact,
 g is orient. preserving in $(0, 1) \setminus E$
that is $g'(p) > 0$ for $p \in (0, 1) \setminus E$
(or g is locally monotone
increasing in $(0, 1) \setminus E$).



If f is smooth $(0, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$,
for almost every $y \in \mathbb{R}$
for every $x \in f^{-1}(y)$

$$f^{-1}(y) \neq \emptyset$$

$$p = \#\{x \in f^{-1}(y) : f'(x) > 0\}$$

$$n = \#\{x \in f^{-1}(y) : f'(x) < 0\}$$

$$p - n = \text{constant zero}$$

for every y .

Degree (Brouwer)

Def Degree (Brouwer's degree)
 for smooth maps between
^{compact}
 closed ^{oriented} manifolds (of
 the same dimension)

$$f: M^n \rightarrow N^n$$

↑ ↗
closed oriented manifolds

Most $y \in N^n$ has the property that
 $f^{-1}(y)$ is finite and

$\forall x \in f^{-1}(y)$ " $f'(x)$ " has full
 rank
 sign $\det Df(x)$ is ± 1 .

$$\text{degree } f = \frac{\#\{i: \text{sign } x_i = +1\}}{\#\{i: \text{sign at } x_i = -1\}}$$