

Lec. 25-e- proof of proportion

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Proposition: $\tau(\text{Disc}_\epsilon(f)) = 0 \quad \forall \epsilon > 0$
 $\iff |\text{Disc}(f)| = 0$

Claim

Let $S \subseteq [a, b]$ then $\tau(S) = 0 \iff$

$\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists$ finite collection

I_1, I_2, \dots, I_N of closed non-overlapping intervals of $[a, b]$ s.t.

- $S \subseteq \bigcup_{j=1}^N I_j$

- $\sum_{j=1}^N l(I_j) < \epsilon$

Outer Jordan content is the infimum of the upper partition characteristic of S

Proof of claim:

$$\tau(S) = \overline{J}(S) = \inf_{P \in \mathcal{P}_{[a,b]}} \{ \overline{U}(P, S) \}$$

corollary of claim:

We know $\text{Disc}(f) = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \text{Disc}_{\frac{1}{n}}(f)$

if $\tau(\text{Disc}_{\frac{1}{n}}(f)) = 0 \quad \forall n$

then $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists I_{n_1}, \dots, I_{n_{N(n)}} \begin{matrix} \bullet \text{ non-overlapping} \\ \bullet \text{ closed intervals} \end{matrix}$
 $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\uparrow}$
 $[a, b]$

Such that

- $\text{Disc}_{\frac{1}{n}}(f) \subseteq \bigcup_{j=1}^{N(n)} I_{n_j}$

- $\sum_{1 \leq j \leq N(n)} l(I_{n_j}) < \frac{\epsilon}{2^{n+1}}$

we have

$$\text{Disc}(f) \subseteq \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \bigcup_{1 \leq j \leq N(n)} I_{n_j}$$

Decompose $\text{Disc}(f)$ into two subsets

$$\text{Disc}_I(f) := \text{Disc}(f) \cap \left(\bigcup_{n \geq 1} \bigcup_{1 \leq j \leq N(n)} \partial I_{n_j} \right)$$

Discontinuity of f on the countable collection at the end points

$$\text{Disc}_{II}(f) := \text{Disc}(f) \cap \left(\bigcup_{n \geq 1} \bigcup_{1 \leq j \leq N(n)} \overset{\circ}{I}_{n_j} \right)$$

the discontinuity of the open interval

observer: (a) $\text{Disc}_I(f)$ is countable \therefore has measure 0

(b)

\therefore Covered by countably many open intervals call it $\epsilon/2$

Since $\text{Disc}_I(f) \subseteq \left\{ \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \bigcup_{1 \leq j \leq N(n)} \overset{\circ}{I}_{n_j} \right\}$

$$\sum_{n \geq 1} \sum_{1 \leq j \leq N(n)} l(I_{n_j}) \leq \epsilon/2$$

Exercise

$|\text{Disc}(f)| = 0$ then $\tau(\text{Disc}_\epsilon(f)) = 0$

$\forall \epsilon > 0 \quad \square$