- You have to sign all sheets with your name and your student number.
- You may use only the paper provided by the organiser.
- Use of any electronic devices is strictly prohibited.
- Each problem is worth 10 points.
- You should solve *exactly* 4 out of the 5 problems given below. In case you submit 5 solutions, only 4 will be evaluated (at random).
- You can use any fact that was proven in the lecture or in class.

**Problem 1.** Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  be  $\mathscr{L}^2$ -measurable with  $\mathscr{L}^2(A) > 0$ . Show that A contains vertices of some regular hexagon.

*Hint.* Balls are rotationally invariant.

**Problem 2.** We say that  $f : \mathbf{R} \to \mathbf{R}$  is good if:

for each  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that for any  $n \in \mathscr{P}$  if  $-\infty < x_1 \leq y_1 \leq \cdots \leq x_n \leq y_n < \infty$  satisfy  $\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i - y_i| \leq \delta$ , then  $\sum_{i=1}^n |f(x_i) - f(y_i)| \leq \varepsilon$ .

Assume f is good and non-decreasing. Let  $\psi$  be the associated Riemann-Stieltjes measure. Show that  $\psi \ll \mathscr{L}^1$ .

**Problem 3.** Assume  $0 < C < \infty$ ,  $k, n \in \mathcal{P}$ , k < n,

 $\begin{array}{l} \phi, \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots \quad \text{are non-zero Radon measures over } \mathbf{R}^n \,, \\ & \text{spt} \, \phi_i \text{ is path connected for } i \in \mathscr{P} \,, \quad \text{spt} \, \phi \text{ is compact} \,, \\ & \phi_i \to \phi \quad \text{as } i \to \infty \, (\text{weakly}) \,, \\ & \text{and} \quad \phi_i(\mathbf{B}(x,r)) \geqslant Cr^k \quad \text{whenever } 0 < r < 1, \, i \in \mathscr{P} \,, \, \text{and} \, x \in \text{spt} \, \phi_i \,. \end{array}$ 

Show that for any  $\delta > 0$  there exists  $i_0 \in \mathscr{P}$  such for all  $\mathscr{P} \ni i > i_0$ 

$$\operatorname{spt} \phi_i \subseteq \left(\operatorname{spt} \phi + \mathbf{B}(0, \delta)\right) = \mathbf{R}^n \cap \left\{x : \operatorname{dist}(x, \operatorname{spt} \phi) \leqslant \delta\right\}.$$

*Recall.* If  $\psi$  is a Radon measure over  $\mathbf{R}^n$ , then spt  $\psi = \mathbf{R}^n \sim \bigcup \{V : \psi(V) = 0, V \text{ is open in } \mathbf{R}^n \}$ .

**Problem 4.** Let  $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$  be arbitrary and  $\phi$  be a Radon measure over  $\mathbf{R}^n$ . Show that  $\mathbf{D}(\phi \sqcup A, \phi, x) = 1$  for  $\phi$  almost all  $x \in A$ .

Remark. This was not proven in the class.

**Problem 5.** Let  $0 < d < \infty$ ,  $0 < \gamma < 1$ ,  $1 \leq C < \infty$ ,  $(X, \rho)$ ,  $(Y, \sigma)$  be metric spaces, and for  $0 \leq s < \infty$  let  $\mathscr{H}_X^s$  and  $\mathscr{H}_Y^s$  be the s-dimensional Hausdorff measures over X and Y respectively. Assume  $f: X \to Y$  satisfies  $\sigma(f(x), f(y)) \leq C\rho(x, y)^{\gamma}$  whenever  $x, y \in X$ . Show that

$$\mathscr{H}^{d}_{Y}(f[A]) \leq \frac{C^{d} \boldsymbol{\alpha}(d)}{\boldsymbol{\alpha}(d\gamma)2^{d(1-\gamma)}} \mathscr{H}^{d\gamma}_{X}(A) \quad \text{whenever } A \subseteq X \,.$$

Conclude that  $\dim_{\mathscr{H}} f[A] \leq \gamma^{-1} \dim_{\mathscr{H}} A$ .

## Solution of problem 1.

Recall that  $\mathbf{D}(\mathscr{L}^2 \sqcup A, \mathscr{L}^2, x) = 1$  for  $\mathscr{L}^2$  almost all  $x \in A$ . Let  $x \in A$  be such a point and assume x = 0. Let  $\rho_i : \mathbf{R}^2 \to \mathbf{R}^2$  be the clockwise rotation by angle  $2\pi i/6$  for  $i \in \{1, 2, \ldots, 6\}$ . Observe that  $\mathscr{L}^2(A \cap \mathbf{B}(0, r)) = \mathscr{L}^2(\rho_i[A] \cap \mathbf{B}(0, r))$  for r > 0 and  $i \in \{1, 2, \ldots, 6\}$ ; hence,  $\mathbf{D}(\mathscr{L}^2 \sqcup \rho_i[A], \mathscr{L}^2, x) = 1$ . Choose r > 0 such that

$$\mathscr{L}^{2}(\rho_{i}[A] \cap \mathbf{B}(0,r)) > 5/6\mathscr{L}^{2}(\mathbf{B}(0,r)) \text{ for } i \in \{1, 2, \dots, 6\},\$$

then

$$\mathscr{L}^2\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^6 \rho_i[A] \cap \mathbf{B}(0,r)\right) > 0$$

so there exists  $z \in \bigcap_{i=1}^{6} \rho_i[A]$  which means that  $\rho_i^{-1}(z) \in A$  for  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, 6\}$ . The six points  $\{\rho_i^{-1}(z) : i \in \{1, 2, \dots, 6\}\}$  are vertices of a regular hexagon.

## Solution of problem 2.

Recall the definition of  $\psi$ . For  $0 < \delta \leq \infty$  and  $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$  we have

$$\psi_{\delta}(A) = \inf \left\{ \sum_{I \in F} \operatorname{diam} f[I] : \begin{array}{c} F \text{ is countable family of open intervals,} \\ A \subseteq \bigcup F, \quad \operatorname{diam} I \leqslant \delta \text{ for } I \in F \end{array} \right\}$$
  
and  $\psi(A) = \sup_{\delta > 0} \psi_{\delta}(A) = \lim_{\delta \downarrow 0} \psi_{\delta}(A)$ .

Note that being *good* is stronger than being *continuous* so f is continuous; in particular, it does not have any jumps so diam f[I] = diam f[Clos I]. Therefore, the measure  $\psi$  will not change if we allow F inside the infimum to contain also closed and half-closed intervals.

Let  $Z \subseteq \mathbf{R}$  be such that  $\mathscr{L}^1(Z) = 0$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and choose  $\delta > 0$  for f as in the definition of good functions. Since  $\mathscr{L}^1(Z) = 0$  for any  $0 < \iota < \delta$  there exists a countable family F of open intervals such that

$$Z \subseteq \bigcup F$$
 and  $\sum_{J \in F} \operatorname{diam} J \leq \iota < \delta$ .

Let us order  $F = \{J_1, J_2, \ldots\}$  and set  $A_j = J_j \sim \bigcup_{i=1}^{j-1} J_i$  for  $j \in \mathscr{P}$ . Clearly  $\{A_j : j \in \mathscr{P}\}$  is disjointed and each  $A_j$  is a sum of a finite number of pairwise disjoint intervals (open, closed, or half-closed). Let G be the family of all intervals of all  $A_j$  for  $j \in \mathscr{P}$ , then G is a countable disjointed family of intervals such that

$$Z \subseteq \bigcup G$$
 and  $\sum_{J \in G} \operatorname{diam} J \leq \sum_{J \in F} \operatorname{diam} J \leq \iota < \delta$ 

For  $J \in G$  set  $a_J = \inf J$  and  $b_J = \sup J$ . Assume  $\inf Z > M > -\infty$  so that we can require that  $a_J \ge M$  for  $J \in F$ . Let us order the set of pairs  $\{(a_J, b_J) : J \in G\} = \{(x_i, y_i) : i \in \mathscr{P}\}$ so that  $x_i \le x_{i+1}$  for  $i \in \mathscr{P}$ . Since G is disjointed we also have  $y_i \le x_{i+1}$  for  $i \in \mathscr{P}$ . For each  $n \in \mathscr{P}$  we have, due to our choice of  $\delta$ ,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} |x_i - y_i| \leq \sum_{J \in G} \operatorname{diam} J \leq \iota < \delta \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{i=1}^{n} |f(x_i) - f(y_i)| \leq \varepsilon.$$

Passing to the limit  $n \to \infty$  we obtain

$$\sum_{J \in G} \operatorname{diam} f[J] = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |f(x_i) - f(y_i)| \leq \varepsilon.$$

Clearly diam  $J \leq \iota$  for  $J \in G$  and we get

 $\psi_{\iota}(Z) \leq \varepsilon$ .

Letting first  $\iota \downarrow 0$  and then  $\varepsilon \downarrow 0$  we get  $\psi(Z) = 0$ . In case  $\inf Z = -\infty$  we consider an increasing sequence  $Z_k = Z \cap \{t : t > -k\}$  for  $k \in \mathscr{P}$  and argue that each  $Z_k$  is a  $\psi$  null set so it is  $\psi$ -measurable and we can write

$$\psi(Z) = \psi(\bigcup\{Z_k : k \in \mathscr{P}\}) = \lim_{k \to \infty} \psi(Z_k) = 0.$$

Solution of problem 3.

First we shall prove that for each  $\delta > 0$  there exists  $i_0 \in \mathscr{P}$  such that for  $i \in \mathscr{P}$  with  $i \ge i_0$  there exists  $y_i \in \operatorname{spt} \phi_i$  such that  $\operatorname{dist}(y_i, \operatorname{spt} \phi) \le \delta$ . Assume the contrary, i.e., that  $\rho_i = \inf\{|x - y| : x \in \operatorname{spt} \phi, y \in \operatorname{spt} \phi_i\} > \delta$  for all  $i \in \mathscr{P}$  larger than some  $i_0 = i_0(\delta) \in \mathscr{P}$  depending on  $\delta$ . Let  $f \in \mathscr{K}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  be such that f(z) = 1 whenever  $\operatorname{dist}(z, \operatorname{spt} \phi) \le \delta/2$  and f(z) = 0 if  $\operatorname{dist}(z, \operatorname{spt} \phi) \ge \delta$ . Such f exists since  $\operatorname{spt} \phi$  is compact and non-empty. Clearly

$$\lim_{i \to \infty} \int f \, \mathrm{d}\phi_i = \lim_{i \to \infty} \int_{\operatorname{spt} \phi_i} 0 \, \mathrm{d}\phi_i = 0 \quad \text{but} \quad \int f \, \mathrm{d}\phi = \phi(\operatorname{spt} \phi) > 0 \quad \text{a contradiction} \, .$$

Now, we turn to the proof of the main claim. Assume the contrary, i.e., that there exists  $\delta > 0$ such that for all  $i \in \mathscr{P}$  there exists  $x_i \in \operatorname{spt} \phi_i$  with  $\operatorname{dist}(x_i, \operatorname{spt} \phi) > \delta$ . If  $i \ge i_0(\delta)$ , then the first part of our proof above yields a point  $y_i \in \operatorname{spt} \phi_i$  with  $\operatorname{dist}(y_i, \operatorname{spt} \phi) \le \delta$  and, since  $\operatorname{spt} \phi_i$  is path connected, we may and shall assume that  $\operatorname{dist}(x_i, \operatorname{spt} \phi) \le 2\delta$ . Since  $\operatorname{spt} \phi$  is compact we see that  $\operatorname{spt} \phi + \mathbf{B}(0, 2\delta)$  is also compact and we may assume (possibly choosing a sub-sequence) that  $\lim_{i\to\infty} x_i = x$  exists. Clearly  $\delta \le \operatorname{dist}(x, \operatorname{spt} \phi) \le 2\delta$ . Let  $f \in \mathscr{K}(\mathbf{R}^n)$  be such that  $f \ge 0$ , f(z) = 1 whenever  $\delta/2 \le \operatorname{dist}(z, \operatorname{spt} \phi) \le 3\delta$  and f(z) = 0 for  $z \in \operatorname{spt} \phi$ . We have

$$\int f \,\mathrm{d}\phi_i \ge \int_{\mathbf{B}(x,\delta/2)} f \,\mathrm{d}\phi_i \ge \int_{\mathbf{B}(x_i,\delta/2-|x-x_i|)} f \,\mathrm{d}\phi_i \ge \phi_i(\mathbf{B}(x_i,\delta/4)) \ge C4^{-k}\delta^k > 0$$

whenever  $i \in \mathscr{P}$  is so big that  $|x - x_i| \leq \delta/4$ . Since  $\int f d\phi = 0$ , this contradicts  $\phi_i \to \phi$  as  $i \to \infty$ .

## Solution of problem 4.

Observe that since A may be  $\phi$  non-measurable the measure  $\phi \sqcup A$  might not be Borel regular; hence,  $\phi \sqcup A$  might not be Radon and we cannot directly use any results concerning existence of densities for Radon measures.

Let  $K \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$  be compact and  $C = A \cap K$ . We shall show that  $\mathbf{D}(\phi \sqcup C, \phi, x) = 1$  for  $\phi$  almost all  $x \in C$ . Since  $\mathbf{R}^n$  is a sum of countably many compact sets, this will suffices to prove the main claim.

If  $\phi(C) = 0$ , then there is nothing to prove so assume  $\phi(C) > 0$ . Let  $B \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  be Borel and such that  $C \subseteq B$  and  $\phi(B) = \phi(C)$ . Then B is a  $\phi$ -hull of C, i.e.,  $\phi(T \cap C) = \phi(T \cap B)$  for any  $\phi$ -measurable set T. Since balls are  $\phi$  measurable we get

$$\mathbf{D}(\phi \llcorner C, \phi, x) = \lim_{r \downarrow 0} \frac{\phi(C \cap \mathbf{B}(x, r))}{\phi(\mathbf{B}(x, r))} = \lim_{r \downarrow 0} \frac{\phi(B \cap \mathbf{B}(x, r))}{\phi(\mathbf{B}(x, r))} = \lim_{r \downarrow 0} f_{\mathbf{B}(x, r)} \mathbb{1}_B \,\mathrm{d}\phi = \mathbb{1}_B(x)$$

for  $\phi$  almost all x. In particular,  $\mathbf{D}(\phi \sqcup C, \phi, x) = 1$  for  $\phi$  almost all  $x \in B$  but  $C \subseteq B$  so  $\mathbf{D}(\phi \sqcup A, \phi, x) = 1$  for  $\phi$  almost all  $x \in C$ .

Solution of problem 5.

Note that diam  $f[S] \leq C(\operatorname{diam} S)^{\gamma}$  whenever  $S \subseteq X$ . Let  $A \subseteq X$ . Employing the fact that  $\inf C \leq \inf D$  whenever  $D \subseteq C \subseteq \mathbf{R}$ , for  $0 < \delta \leq \infty$ , setting  $\kappa = (\frac{\delta}{C})^{1/\gamma}$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2^d}{\boldsymbol{\alpha}(d)} \mathscr{H}^d_{\delta}(f[A]) \\ &= \inf \left\{ \sum_{P \in F} (\operatorname{diam} P)^d : F \subseteq \mathbf{2}^Y, \, F \text{ countable}, \, f[A] \subseteq \bigcup F, \, \operatorname{diam} P \leqslant \delta \text{ for } P \in F \right\} \\ &\leqslant \inf \left\{ \sum_{S \in G} (\operatorname{diam} f[S])^d : G \subseteq \mathbf{2}^X, \, G \text{ countable}, A \subseteq \bigcup G, \, \operatorname{diam} S \leqslant \kappa \text{ for } S \in G \right\} \\ &\leqslant \inf \left\{ \sum_{S \in G} C^d (\operatorname{diam} S)^{d\gamma} : G \subseteq \mathbf{2}^X, \, G \text{ countable}, A \subseteq \bigcup G, \, \operatorname{diam} S \leqslant \kappa \text{ for } S \in G \right\} \\ &= \frac{C^d 2^{d\gamma}}{\boldsymbol{\alpha}(d\gamma)} \mathscr{H}^{d\gamma}_{\kappa}(A) \leqslant \sup_{\iota > 0} \frac{C^d 2^{d\gamma}}{\boldsymbol{\alpha}(d\gamma)} \mathscr{H}^{d\gamma}_{\iota}(A) = \frac{C^d 2^{d\gamma}}{\boldsymbol{\alpha}(d\gamma)} \mathscr{H}^{d\gamma}(A) \,. \end{aligned}$$

Passing to the limit  $\delta \downarrow 0$ , we get the claim.

If  $\mathscr{H}^{s}(A) = 0$  for some  $0 \leq s < \infty$ , then  $\mathscr{H}^{s/\gamma}(f[A]) = 0$ ; hence, if  $\dim_{\mathscr{H}}(A) < s$ , then  $\dim_{\mathscr{H}} f[A] \leq s/\gamma$  so  $\dim_{\mathscr{H}} f[A] \leq \dim_{\mathscr{H}}(A)/\gamma$ .