

This portion of the 200 point final examination is “open book”; that is, you may freely use your two textbooks for this class: Rudin’s *Principles of Mathematical Analysis* and Royden’s *Real Analysis*. Work any three problems of your choosing, subject to the constraints that at least one problem must be chosen from Group A and at least one problem must be chosen from Group B. Please **CIRCLE** the numbers of the problems on this portion whose solutions you wish me to grade.

Group A.

4.(33 pts.) Let $\alpha(x)$ denote the fractional part of the real number x . For instance $\alpha(5/4) = .25$, $\alpha(2) = 0$, and $\alpha(\pi) = .1415926\dots$

- (a) Compute the total variation of α on the interval $[1,4]$.
 (b) Show that the product of two functions of bounded variation on a closed bounded interval is of bounded variation on that interval.
 (c) Let $f(x) = 1/x$ and $\beta(x) = \alpha^2(x)$. Why is f Riemann-Stieltjes integrable with respect to β on the interval $[1,4]$?

(d) Evaluate the Riemann-Stieltjes integral $\int_1^4 f d\beta$.

5.(33 pts.) Let f be the 2π -periodic function defined on a fundamental period by the formula

$$f(x) = x^2 - \frac{\pi^2}{3} \quad \text{if } -\pi \leq x < \pi.$$

Show, by rigorous argument, that

$$u(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4(-1)^n}{n^2} \cos(nx) e^{-n^2 t}$$

defines a function which solves the diffusion equation $u_t = u_{xx}$ in the region $t > 0$ of the xt -plane and which satisfies the initial condition $u(x,0) = f(x)$ for $-\infty < x < \infty$.

6.(33 pts.) (a) If $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $f(x) = e^{ikx}$, show that

$$(*) \quad \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N f(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) dt.$$

- (b) Show that (*) holds for every complex, continuous, 2π -periodic function f on \mathbb{R} .
 (c) Does (*) hold for every complex, bounded, measurable, 2π -periodic function f on \mathbb{R} ? Prove your assertion.

Group B.

7.(33 pts.) Let f be a function defined and bounded on the unit square

$$S = \{(x,t) : 0 < x < 1, 0 < t < 1\}.$$

Suppose that:

- (a) for each fixed t in $(0,1)$ the function $x \mapsto f(x,t)$ is measurable,

(b) at each (x, t) in S , the partial derivative $\frac{\partial f}{\partial t}$ exists, and

(c) $\frac{\partial f}{\partial t}$ is a bounded function in S .

Show that $\frac{d}{dt} \int_0^1 f(x, t) dx = \int_0^1 \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(x, t) dx$.

8.(33 pts.) Let E denote the set of real numbers in the interval $[0, 1]$ which possess a decimal expansion which contains no 2's and no 7's. For instance, the numbers $1/2 = .5$, and $7/10 = .6999\dots$ belong to E , while the numbers $1/4 = .25 = .24999\dots$ and $1/\sqrt{2} = .7071\dots$ do not.

(a) Compute the Lebesgue measure of E .

(b) Determine, with proof, whether E is a Borel set.

9.(33 pts.) Let f be a function defined on the interval $[0, 1]$ as follows: $f(x) = 0$ if x is a point of the Cantor ternary set and $f(x) = 1/k$ if x is in one of the complementary intervals of the Cantor set with length 3^{-k} . For example, $f(1/3) = 0$, $f(1/2) = 1$, and $f(4/5) = 1/2$.

(a) Show that f is a measurable function.

(b) Evaluate the Lebesgue integral $\int_0^1 f(x) dx$.

(a) - (c) 8 pts. each (a) 9 pts.

α is right-continuous on $[1, 4]$ and

#4 (e) Since $\alpha \uparrow$ on $[1, 2)$, $[2, 3)$, and $[3, 4)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(\alpha; 1, 4) &= \alpha(2^-) - \alpha(1) + \alpha(2^-) - \alpha(2) + \alpha(3^-) - \alpha(2) + \alpha(3^-) - \alpha(3) \\ &\quad + \alpha(4^-) - \alpha(3) + \alpha(4^-) - \alpha(4) \\ &= \boxed{6}. \end{aligned}$$

(b) Let f and g be in $BV[a, b]$. For all $x \in [a, b]$,

$$|f(x)| \leq |f(x) - f(a)| + |f(a)| \leq \text{Var}(f; a, x) + |f(a)| \leq \text{Var}(f; a, b) + |f(a)|,$$

$$\text{so } M_f = \sup\{|f(x)| : x \in [a, b]\} \leq \text{Var}(f; a, b) + |f(a)| < \infty.$$

Similarly, $M_g = \sup\{|g(x)| : x \in [a, b]\} < \infty$. Let $P = \{a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n = b\}$ be a partition of $[a, b]$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n |\Delta(fg)_i| &= \sum_{i=1}^n |f(x_i)g(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})g(x_{i-1})| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n (|f(x_i)g(x_i) - f(x_i)g(x_{i-1})| + |f(x_i)g(x_{i-1}) - f(x_{i-1})g(x_{i-1})|) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n M_f |g(x_i) - g(x_{i-1})| + \sum_{i=1}^n M_g |f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})|, \end{aligned}$$

so taking the supremum over all partitions P of $[a, b]$ yields

$$\text{Var}(fg; a, b) \leq M_f \text{Var}(g; a, b) + M_g \text{Var}(f; a, b) < \infty.$$

(c) $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ is continuous on $[1, 4]$ and $\beta = \alpha^2$ is of bounded

visions on $[1, 4]$ (see parts (a) & (b)). Consequently, the Riemann-Stieltjes integral $\int_1^4 f d\beta$ exists. (Cf. Theorem 6.8 in Rudin.)

(d) Using integration by parts and Theorem 6.17 in Rudin produces

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_1^4 f d\beta &= f(4)\beta(4) - f(1)\beta(1) - \int_1^4 \beta df = - \int_1^4 \alpha^2 f' dx = \int_1^4 \alpha^2(x) \frac{1}{x^2} dx \\
 &= \int_1^2 (x-1) \frac{1}{x^2} dx + \int_2^3 (x-2) \frac{1}{x^2} dx + \int_3^4 (x-3) \frac{1}{x^2} dx \\
 &= \int_1^2 \left(1 - \frac{2}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) dx + \int_2^3 \left(1 - \frac{4}{x} + \frac{4}{x^2}\right) dx + \int_3^4 \left(1 - \frac{6}{x} + \frac{9}{x^2}\right) dx \\
 &= \left(x - 2 \ln(x) - \frac{1}{x}\right) \Big|_1^2 + \left(x - 4 \ln(x) - \frac{4}{x}\right) \Big|_2^3 + \left(x - 6 \ln(x) - \frac{9}{x}\right) \Big|_3^4 \\
 &= \boxed{\frac{59}{12} + 2 \ln\left(\frac{3}{32}\right)} \doteq 0.1824
 \end{aligned}$$

(#5) Let $\delta \in (0, 1)$ and consider $H_\delta^+ = \{(x, t) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : t \geq \delta\}$.

The sequence of functions $f_n(x, t) = \frac{4(-1)^n}{n^2} \cos(nx) e^{-n^2 t}$ ($n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$,

$(x, t) \in H_\delta^+$) satisfies

$$\left| \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial t}(x, t) \right| = \left| 4(-1)^{n+1} \cos(nx) e^{-n^2 t} \right| \leq 4e^{-n^2 t} \leq 4e^{-nt} \leq 4e^{-n\delta} \equiv M_n.$$

Since $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M_n = 4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (e^{-\delta})^n$ is a convergent geometric series, it

follows from the Weierstrass M-test that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial t}(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 4(-1)^{n+1} \cos(nx) e^{-n^2 t}$

is uniformly convergent on H_δ^+ . Clearly, for each fixed $x \in \mathbb{R}$,

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4(-1)^n}{n^2} \cos(nx) e^{-n^2 t}$ converges. (Use the Weierstrass M-

test, for instance.) Therefore Theorem 7.17 in Rudin shows that

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4(-1)^n}{n^2} \cos(nx) e^{-n^2 t}$$

converges uniformly on H_δ^+ and

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial t}(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 4(-1)^{n+1} \cos(nx) e^{-n^2 t}$$

for $(x, t) \in H_\delta^+$. Similarly

$$\left| \frac{\partial^2 f_n}{\partial x^2}(x, t) \right| = \left| 4(-1)^{n+1} \cos(nx) e^{-n^2 t} \right| \leq 4e^{-\delta n} = M_n$$

$$\left| \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x}(x, t) \right| = \left| \frac{4(-1)^{n+1} \sin(nx)}{n} e^{-n^2 t} \right| \leq \frac{4}{n} e^{-\delta n} = \frac{M_n}{n}$$

for $(x,t) \in H_\delta^+$ and $n=1,2,3,\dots$ with $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M_n$ and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{M_n}{n}$ convergent,

so by Theorem 7.17 in Rudin

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x}(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \sin(nx) e^{-n^2 t}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\partial^2 f_n}{\partial x^2}(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 4(-1)^{n+1} \cos(nx) e^{-n^2 t}$$

for $(x,t) \in H_\delta^+$. Note that $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x,t) = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}(x,t)$ for all $(x,t) \in H_\delta^+$

so $u(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4(-1)^n}{n^2} \cos(nx) e^{-n^2 t}$ satisfies the diffusion equation

$u_t = u_{xx}$ in H_δ^+ . But $\delta \in (0,1)$ was arbitrary, so this function

$u = u(x,t)$ satisfies the diffusion equation in $H^+ = \{(x,t) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : t > 0\}$.

It remains to show that

$$(*) \quad u(x,0) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4(-1)^n}{n^2} \cos(nx) = f(x) \quad \text{for all real } x.$$

By routine calculations, we compute the Fourier coefficients of f :

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \left(x^2 - \frac{\pi^2}{3}\right) dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \left(\frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{\pi^2 x}{3}\right) \Big|_0^{\pi} = 0.$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin(nx) dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \underbrace{\left(x^2 - \frac{\pi^2}{3}\right)}_{\text{even}} \underbrace{\sin(nx)}_{\text{odd}} dx = 0 \quad (n=1,2,3,\dots)$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos(nx) dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \underbrace{\left(x^2 - \frac{\pi^2}{3}\right)}_U \underbrace{\cos(nx)}_{dV} dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \left(x^2 - \frac{\pi^2}{3}\right) \sin(nx) \Big|_0^{\pi} - \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \frac{\sin(nx)}{n} 2x dx$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{-4}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \underbrace{x \sin(nx)}_{dV} dx = \frac{-4}{\pi} \left(\left. \frac{-x \cos(nx)}{n} \right|_0^{\pi} - \int_0^{\pi} \frac{-\cos(nx)}{n} dx \right) \\
 &= \frac{4 \cos(n\pi)}{n^2} = \frac{4(-1)^n}{n^2} \quad (n=1, 2, 3, \dots)
 \end{aligned}$$

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Therefore, the Fourier series of f is

$$a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos(nx) + b_n \sin(nx)) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4(-1)^n}{n^2} \cos(nx).$$

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Note that $f'(x) = 2x$ if $-\pi < x < \pi$,

$$f'_+(-\pi) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(-\pi+h) - f(-\pi)}{h} = -2\pi,$$

$$\text{and } f'_-(-\pi) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(-\pi+h) - f(-\pi)}{h} = 2\pi.$$

Therefore, using 2π -periodicity of f and the Mean Value Theorem,

$$|f(x+t) - f(x)| \leq 2\pi |t|$$

for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and all t sufficiently small in absolute value.

Theorem 8.14 in Rudin implies that f is equal to its Fourier

series at each $x \in \mathbb{R}$; i.e. $u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4(-1)^n}{n^2} \cos(nx) e^{-n^2 t}$

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satisfies the boundary condition (*).

(#6) (a) If $k=0$ so $f(x) = e^{ikx} = 1$ for all real x , then clearly $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N f(n) = 1 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) dt$. Suppose k is

a nonzero integer and $f(x) = e^{ikx}$. Then

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N f(n) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N e^{ikn}$$

A geometric series with first term e^{ik} and ratio $e^{ik} \neq 1$.

$$= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \left(\frac{e^{ik} - e^{ik(N+1)}}{1 - e^{ik}} \right)$$

The numerator is a bounded function of N .

$$= 0.$$

On the other hand $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{ikt} dt = \frac{e^{ikt}}{2\pi ik} \Big|_{t=-\pi}^{\pi} = \frac{e^{ik\pi} - e^{-ik\pi}}{2\pi ik} = 0.$

Therefore, in every case when $f(x) = e^{ikx}$ for some integer k , we have

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N f(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) dt.$$

(b) Let f be a complex, continuous, 2π -periodic function on \mathbb{R} and let $\varepsilon > 0$. By Theorem 8.15 in Rudin there exists a 2π -periodic trigonometric polynomial $P(x) = \sum_{k=-M}^M c_k e^{ikx}$ such that

$|P(x) - f(x)| < \frac{\epsilon}{3}$ for all real x . By part (a), $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N P(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} P(t) dt$

so there exists $N_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\left| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N P(n) - \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} P(t) dt \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{3}$ for

all $N \geq N_0$. If $N \geq N_0$ then

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N f(n) - \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) dt \right| &\leq \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N |f(n) - P(n)| + \left| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N P(n) - \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} P(t) dt \right| \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |P(t) - f(t)| dt \\ &\leq \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} = \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N f(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) dt$.

(c) No, (*) does not hold for every complex, bounded, measurable, 2π -periodic function on \mathbb{R} for consider

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } t - 2k\pi \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ for some integer } k, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Clearly f is a 2π -periodic, complex (real, in fact!), bounded function on \mathbb{R} . Since there are only countably many points t in \mathbb{R} such that $t - 2k\pi \in \mathbb{Z}$ for some integer k (they are all of the form $m + 2j\pi$ where $m, j \in \mathbb{Z}$), it follows that $f = 0$ a.e. so f is measurable.

However $f(n) = 1$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ so

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N f(n) = 1 \neq 0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} 0 dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) dt.$$

(#7) Note that for each fixed $t \in (0,1)$, the function $x \mapsto f(x,t)$

is measurable and bounded, and hence belongs to $L^1(0,1)$. Let

$$F(t) = \int_0^1 f(x,t) dx \quad \text{for } t \in (0,1). \text{ In order to show that}$$

F is differentiable, we must show that for each $t_0 \in (0,1)$

and each sequence $\langle t_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ such that $t_n \rightarrow t_0$ and $t_n \neq t_0$

for all $n \geq 1$, the limit $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{F(t_n) - F(t_0)}{t_n - t_0}$ exists and is

independent of the sequence $\langle t_n \rangle$. To this end let t_0 and $\langle t_n \rangle$

be as above and define a sequence of functions on $(0,1)$ by

$$g_n(x) = \frac{f(x, t_n) - f(x, t_0)}{t_n - t_0} \quad (n = 1, 2, 3, \dots)$$

By hypothesis $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_n(x) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(x, t_0)$ for all $x \in (0,1)$.

The mean value theorem implies the existence of a number

c_n between t_0 and t_n such that

$$f(x, t_n) - f(x, t_0) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(x, c_n) \cdot (t_n - t_0),$$

so for all $x \in (0,1)$ and all $n \geq 1$, we have $|g_n(x)| \leq M$

where $M = \sup \left\{ \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(x, t) \right| : (x, t) \in S \right\} < \infty$ by hypothesis.

It follows from the dominated convergence theorem that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 g_n(x) dx = \int_0^1 \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(x, t_0) dx.$$

But

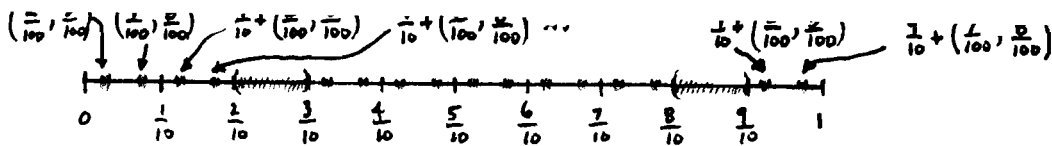
$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{F(t_n) - F(t_0)}{t_n - t_0} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\int_0^1 f(x, t_n) dx - \int_0^1 f(x, t_0) dx}{t_n - t_0} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 g_n(x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $F(t) = \int_0^1 f(x, t) dx$ is differentiable at each $t \in (0, 1)$

with

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_0^1 f(x, t) dx = F'(t) = \int_0^1 \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(x, t) dx.$$

E_1 :



#8 We imitate the construction of the Cantor ternary set to derive an alternate description of E . At the zeroth stage, we delete the two open intervals $(\frac{2}{10}, \frac{3}{10})$ and $(\frac{7}{10}, \frac{8}{10})$ from $[0, 1]$ to obtain the closed set E_0 .

At the first stage, we delete the 16 open intervals

$$\frac{k}{10} + (\frac{2}{100}, \frac{3}{100}) \text{ and } \frac{k}{10} + (\frac{7}{100}, \frac{8}{100}) \quad (k = 0, 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9)$$

from E_0 to obtain the closed set E_1 . Continuing in this manner, at the k^{th} stage we delete $2 \cdot 8^k$ disjoint open intervals, each of length $10^{-(k+1)}$

from E_{k-1} to obtain the closed set E_k . It is clear that

$$E = \bigcap_{k=0}^{\infty} E_k.$$

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(b) E is closed, being the intersection of closed sets, so E is a Borel set.

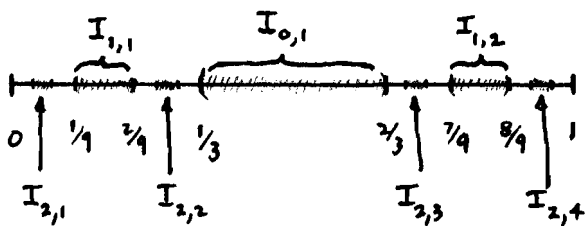
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(a) We compute the Lebesgue measure of E by first computing the measure of the open set $[0, 1] \setminus E$. By construction $[0, 1] \setminus E$ is countable union of disjoint open intervals so

$$\begin{aligned} m([0, 1] \setminus E) &= 2 \cdot \frac{1}{10} + 2 \cdot 8 \left(\frac{1}{100}\right) + 2 \cdot 8 \cdot 8 \left(\frac{1}{1000}\right) + \dots \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2 \cdot 8^k \cdot 10^{-(k+1)} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^{k+1} = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{4/5}{1 - 4/5} = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $m(E) = 0$.

#9 Let $I_{k,j}$ ($j=1, \dots, 2^k$) denote the j^{th} interval removed at the k^{th} step in the construction of the Cantor ternary set, arranged in ascending order; i.e. $I_{k,1} < I_{k,2} < \dots < I_{k,2^k}$.



16 pts.

(a) Note that $f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{2^k} \frac{1}{k+1} \chi_{I_{k,j}}(x)$ for $0 \leq x \leq 1$,

so f is measurable, being the pointwise limit of a sequence of simple measurable functions: $f_k = \sum_{k=0}^K \sum_{j=1}^{2^k} \frac{1}{k+1} \chi_{I_{k,j}}$ ($K=0,1,2,\dots$).

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(b) $\int_0^1 f dx \stackrel{\text{M.C.T.}}{=} \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 \left(\sum_{k=0}^K \sum_{j=1}^{2^k} \frac{1}{k+1} \chi_{I_{k,j}} \right) dx$

$$= \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^K \sum_{j=1}^{2^k} \frac{1}{k+1} m(I_{k,j})$$

$$= \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^K \sum_{j=1}^{2^k} \frac{1}{k+1} \cdot 3^{-(k+1)}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k+1} \cdot \frac{2^k}{3^{k+1}}$$

(see next page for calculation)

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2/3)^l}{l} = \boxed{\frac{1}{2} \ln(3)}$$

Computation for #9(b):

$$\text{Since } \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} t^k = \frac{1}{1-t} \quad \text{if } |t| < 1,$$

where the series converges uniformly on each compact subset of $(-1, 1)$, we have for each $x \in (-1, 1)$ that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^l}{l} &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{k+1}}{k+1} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int_0^x t^k dt \stackrel{\text{(uniform convergence!)}}{=} \int_0^x \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} t^k \right) dt \\ &= \int_0^x \frac{1}{1-t} dt = -\ln(1-t) \Big|_{t=0}^x = -\ln(1-x). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, setting $x = \frac{2}{3}$ we have

$$\sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^l}{l} = -\ln\left(1 - \frac{2}{3}\right) = \ln(3).$$