

Singular sets of n -uniform measures

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Besicovitch(1938) Let $E \subset \mathbb{R}^2$, $0 < \mathcal{H}^1(E) < \infty$ and for \mathcal{H}^1 almost every $x \in E$,

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{\mathcal{H}^1(E \cap B(x, r))}{2r} = 1.$$

Then

E is 1 – rectifiable.

Theorem (Preiss)

Let Φ be a Radon measure on \mathbb{R}^d . Then Φ is n -rectifiable (i.e. $\Phi \ll \mathcal{H}^n$ and that $\Phi(\mathbb{R}^d \setminus E) = 0$ for some n -rectifiable set E) if and only if for Φ almost every x , $\Theta^n(\Phi, x) = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Phi(B(x, r))}{\omega_n r^n}$ exists and

$$0 < \Theta^n(\Phi, x) < \infty.$$

Definition

Let Φ be a Radon measure on \mathbb{R}^d , x a point in its support such that $\Theta^n(\Phi, x)$ is positive and finite. We say that λ is a tangent measure of Φ at x and denote $\lambda \in \text{Tan}(\Phi, x)$ if $\lambda \neq 0$ and there exists a sequence of positive radii (r_i) , with $r_i \downarrow 0$ such that:

$$\Phi_{x, r_i} \rightharpoonup \lambda \text{ as } i \rightarrow \infty,$$

where the convergence is the weak convergence of measures and

$$\Phi_{x, r} = r^{-n} T_{x, r} \Phi$$

is the push-forward of Φ by the homothety $T_{x, r}(y) = \frac{y-x}{r}$.

Definition

Let μ be a Radon measure in \mathbb{R}^d . We say μ is n -uniform if there exists $c > 0$ such that for all $x \in \text{spt}(\mu)$, $r > 0$:

$$\mu(B(x, r)) = cr^n.$$

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Let μ be an n -uniform measure in \mathbb{R}^d .

- We call x_0 a flat point of μ if there exists a unique n -plane V_{x_0} such that $Tan(\mu, x_0) = \{c\mathcal{H}^n \llcorner V_{x_0}; c > 0\}$.
- We denote by S_μ the singular set of μ defined as:

$$S_\mu = \{x \in spt(\mu); x \text{ is not a flat point} \}.$$

- We say μ is a conical n -uniform measure if for $A \subset \mathbb{R}^d$, $r > 0$,

$$\mu(rA) = r^n \mu(A).$$

Theorem (N. 2015)

Let μ be an n -uniform measure in \mathbb{R}^d , $n \geq 3$ and \mathcal{S}_μ be its set of singularities. Then:

$$\dim_{\mathcal{H}}(\mathcal{S}_\mu) \leq n - 3.$$

This bound is sharp. Indeed, taking $\mu = \mathcal{H}^n_{\perp}(\mathbb{R}^{n-3} \times C)$ we have

$$\dim_{\mathcal{H}}(\mathcal{S}_{\mu}) = n - 3.$$

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Let ν be a conical 3-uniform measure, $\Omega = \text{spt}(\nu) \cap \mathbb{S}^{d-1}$, and $\sigma = \mathcal{H}^2 \llcorner \Omega$. Then for all $x \in \Omega$, for $0 \leq r \leq 2$:

$$\sigma(B(x, r)) = \pi r^2.$$

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Let μ be an n -uniform measure in \mathbb{R}^d , $x_0 \in \text{spt}(\mu)$. Let ν be a tangent to μ at x_0 and let r_j be a sequence of positive radii so that

$$\mu_{x_0, r_j} \rightharpoonup \nu.$$

Then if $\{x_j\} \subset \mathcal{S}_\mu$, there exists $y \in \mathcal{S}_\nu$ so that:

$$\frac{x_j - x_0}{r_j} \rightarrow y.$$

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