

# Harmonic Analysis, homework assignment no. 1

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- (a) Verify that the Sierpinski triangle (see wikipedia) has Hausdorff dimension  $\log 3 / \log 2$ .  
(b) Watch a video on a construction of a Besicovitch set at  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j-dce6QmVAQ>

- Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  be independent, identically distributed random variables with  $\mathbb{P}(X_k = 0) = \mathbb{P}(X_k = 2) = 1/2$ . Prove that for any Borel subset  $A$  of the Cantor set  $C \subseteq [0, 1]$ ,

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{X_k}{3^k} \in A\right) = c \cdot \mathcal{H}_{\alpha}(A)$$

for  $\alpha = \log 2 / \log 3$  and some constant  $c > 0$ .

- For any  $0 < t < n$ , find a compactly-supported, finite Borel measure  $\mu$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with a finite  $t$ -energy, i.e.,  $I_t(\mu) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n} |x - y|^{-t} d\mu(x) d\mu(y) < \infty$ , yet for any  $M > 1$  there exist  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n, r > 0$  with

$$\mu(B(x, r)) > Mr^t.$$

- Write  $\mathcal{S}$  for the space of Schwartz functions in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $T : \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$  be a continuous, translation-invariant linear operator (i.e.,  $T(f_a) = (Tf)_a$  when  $f_a(x) = f(x + a)$ ). Prove that  $\mathcal{F}^{-1} \circ T \circ \mathcal{F}$  is a multiplication operator, where  $\mathcal{F}$  is the Fourier transform.
- Prove that for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , the function  $f(\xi) = (1 + |\xi|^2)^{-\varepsilon}$  on  $\mathbb{R}$  is the Fourier transform of an  $L^1$ -function  $g$ . Hint: Express  $g$  as a mixture of Gaussians, try

$$g(x) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x^2/t} \varphi(t) dt.$$

say with  $\varphi(t) = e^{-t\alpha}$ .

- Prove that if  $f \in L^1$  is continuous, bounded and with a non-negative Fourier transform, then  $\hat{f} \in L^1$ . Hint: Maybe look at  $\int \hat{f}(\xi) \theta(\varepsilon\xi) d\xi$ .  
(By the way, the boundness and continuity of  $f$  are not necessary here).