

# NEW RESULTS ABOUT THE H-MEASURE OF A SET

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**Abstract** The aim of this paper is to generalize our results ([1], [2]) related to the Hausdorff measure of a plane set.

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## 1. Introduction

We denote by  $R^n$  the Euclidean  $n$ -dimensional space and by  $d(E)$  - the diameter of a set  $E \subset R^n$ .

**Definition 1.1** If  $r_0 > 0$  is a fixed number, a continuous function  $h(r)$ , defined on  $[0, r_0)$ , nondecreasing and such that  $\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} h(r) = 0$  is called a *measure function*. If  $\delta \in R_+$ ,  $E \subset R^n$  is a bounded set, the *Hausdorff  $h$ -measure of  $E$*  is defined by:

$$H_h(E) = \liminf_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \sum_i h(\rho_i)$$

inf being considered over all coverings of  $E$  with a countable number of spheres of radii  $\rho_i \leq \delta$ .

**Definition 1.2**  $f : D(\subset R^n) \rightarrow \bar{R}$  is a  $\delta$ -class Lipschitz function if

$$|f(x + \alpha) - f(x)| \leq M |\alpha|^\delta, x \in D, \alpha \in R^n, x + \alpha \in D, M > 0. \quad (1)$$

**Definition 1.3** Let  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 > 0$  be functions defined in a neighborhood of  $0 \in R^n$ . We say that  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  are equivalent and we denote by:

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$\varphi_1 \sim \varphi_2$ , for  $x \rightarrow 0$ , if there exist  $r > 0, Q > 0$ , satisfying:

$$\frac{1}{Q}\varphi_1(x) \leq \varphi_2(x) \leq Q\varphi_1(x), (\forall)x \in R^n, |x| < r. \quad (2)$$

An analogous definition can be given for  $x \rightarrow \infty$ . In this case,  $\varphi_1 \sim \varphi_2$  means that the previous inequalities have place in all the space.

**Definition 1.4** The graph of the function  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \overline{R}$  is the set:

$$\Gamma = \{(x, f(x)) | x \in [0, 1]\}.$$

## 2. Known results

**Theorem 2.1** *If  $h$  is a measure function such that*

$$h(t) \sim t^p, p \geq 2, \quad (3)$$

*and  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \overline{R}$  is a  $\delta$  - class Lipschitz function, with  $\delta \in [0, 1]$ , then:  $H_h(\Gamma) < +\infty$ . In the same hypothesis about  $h$  and  $f$ , the result remains true if  $p \geq 1$  and  $\delta > 1$ .*

Consider

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 2x, & 0 \leq x < \frac{1}{2} \\ -2(x-1), & \frac{1}{2} \leq x < \frac{3}{2} \\ 2(x-2), & \frac{3}{2} \leq x < 2 \end{cases}$$

and:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \lambda_i^{-\delta} g(\lambda_i x), (\forall)x \in [0, 1], \quad (4)$$

where  $\{\lambda_i\}_{i \in N^*}$  is a sequence of positive numbers.

### Theorem 2.2

- a. *If  $f$  is the function defined in (4),  $\delta \in [0, 1], \varepsilon > 1, \{\lambda_i\}_{i \in N^*}$  is a sequence of positive numbers, such that  $\lambda_{i+1} > \varepsilon \lambda_i, (\forall) i \in N^*$  and  $h$  is a measure function, such that:  $h(t) \sim t^p, p \geq 2$ , then:  $H_h(\Gamma) < +\infty$ .*
- b. *In the same hypothesis about  $h, f$  and  $\{\lambda_i\}_{i \in N^*}$ , the result remains true if  $\delta > 1$  and  $\varepsilon > 1$ .*

### 3. New results

**Theorem 3.1** *If  $h$  is a measure function such that*

$$h(t) \sim e^{tp}, p \geq 2, \tag{5}$$

*and  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \overline{R}$  is a  $\delta$  - class Lipschitz function, with  $\delta \in [0, 1]$ , then:  $H_h(\Gamma) < +\infty$ . The result remains true if  $p \geq 1$  and  $\delta > 1$ .*

**Proof.** The first part of the proof follows that of [4].

First, we suppose that the coefficient in the Lipschitz inequality (1) can be taken 1, so that to any  $x$  corresponds an interval  $(x - k, x + k)$  such that, for any  $x + \alpha$  of this interval:

$$|f(x + \alpha) - f(x)| \leq |\alpha|^\delta.$$

Because  $[0, 1]$  is a compact set, there exists a finite set of overlapping intervals covering  $(0, 1)$ :

$$(0, k_0), (x_1 - k_1, x_1 + k_1), \dots, (x_{n-1} - k_{n-1}, x_{n-1} + k_{n-1}), (1 - k_n, 1).$$

If  $c_i$  are arbitrary points, satisfying:

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 &\in (0, x_1), c_i \in (x_{i-1}, x_i), i = 1, 2, \dots, n - 1, c_n \in (x_{n-1}, 1) \\ c_i &\in (x_{i-1} - k_{i-1}, x_{i-1} + k_{i-1}) \cap (x_i - k_i, x_i + k_i), i = 1, \dots, n - 1. \end{aligned}$$

we have:  $0 < c_1 < x_1 < c_2 < x_2 < \dots < x_{n-1} < c_n < 1$ .

The oscillation of  $f(x)$  in the interval  $(c_{i-1}, c_i)$  is less than  $2(c_i - c_{i-1})^\delta$  and thus the part of the curve corresponding to the interval  $(c_{i-1}, c_i)$  can be enclosed in a rectangle of height  $2(c_i - c_{i-1})^\delta$  and of base  $c_i - c_{i-1}$ , and consequently in  $\left[2(c_i - c_{i-1})^{\delta-1}\right] + 1$  squares of side  $c_i - c_{i-1}$  or in the number of circles of radius  $\frac{c_i - c_{i-1}}{\sqrt{2}}$  circumscribed about each of these squares.

We denoted by  $[x]$  the integer part of  $x$ .

Given an arbitrary  $r \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$  we can always assume:  $c_i - c_{i-1} < r$ ,  $i = 2, 3, \dots, n$ .

Denote by  $C_r$  the set of all the above circles and consider

$$\sum_{C_r} h(2r) = \sum_{C_r} \left\{ \frac{h(2r)}{e^{2r}(2r)^p} \cdot e^{2r}(2r)^p \right\}. \tag{6}$$

$$r \in \left(0, \frac{1}{2}\right), e^{2r} \in (1, e) \tag{7}$$

We have to estimate  $\sum_{C_r} (2r)^p$ . The sum of the terms corresponding to the interval  $(c_{i-1}, c_i)$  is:

$$S = \left\{ \left[ 2(c_i - c_{i-1})^{\delta-1} \right] + 1 \right\} \left\{ (c_i - c_{i-1}) \sqrt{2} \right\}^p \Leftrightarrow$$

$$S = 2^{\frac{p}{2}} (c_i - c_{i-1})^p \left\{ \left[ 2(c_i - c_{i-1})^{\delta-1} \right] + 1 \right\}.$$

$$S \leq 2^{\frac{p}{2}} (c_i - c_{i-1})^p \left\{ 2(c_i - c_{i-1})^{\delta-1} + 1 \right\} \Rightarrow$$

$$S \leq 2^{\frac{p}{2}+1} (c_i - c_{i-1})^{p+\delta-1} + 2^{\frac{p}{2}} (c_i - c_{i-1})^p \quad (8)$$

$$c_i - c_{i-1} < 1, p \geq 2, \delta \in [0, 1] \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{cases} (c_i - c_{i-1})^p < c_i - c_{i-1} \\ p + \delta - 1 \geq 1 \Rightarrow (c_i - c_{i-1})^{p+\delta-1} < c_i - c_{i-1} \end{cases} \quad (9)$$

From (8) and (9) it results:

$$S \leq 2^{\frac{p}{2}+1} (c_i - c_{i-1}) + 2^{\frac{p}{2}} (c_i - c_{i-1}) = 3 \cdot 2^{\frac{p}{2}} (c_i - c_{i-1}) \Rightarrow$$

$$\sum_{C_r} (2r)^p \leq \sum_{i=2}^n 3 \cdot 2^{\frac{p}{2}} (c_i - c_{i-1}) = 3 \cdot 2^{\frac{p}{2}} \sum_{i=2}^n (c_i - c_{i-1}) \leq 3 \cdot 2^{\frac{p}{2}} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\sum_{C_r} (2r)^p \leq 3 \cdot 2^{\frac{p}{2}} \quad (10)$$

Using the definition 2 and the relations (7) and (10), (6) gives:

$$\sum_{C_r} h(2r) = \sum_{C_r} \left\{ \frac{h(2r)}{(2r)^p} (2r)^p \right\} < Qe \sum_{C_r} (2r)^p \leq 3 \cdot 2^{\frac{p}{2}} \cdot Q,$$

where  $Q > 0$  and  $r \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$ , small enough.

Then  $H_h(\Gamma) < +\infty$ .

If  $M \neq 1$ , then  $\sum_{C_r} h(2r) \leq 3 \cdot 2^{\frac{p}{2}} \cdot QM \Rightarrow H_h(\Gamma) < +\infty$ .

If  $p \geq 1$  and  $\delta > 1$ , then:

$$c_i - c_{i-1} < 1, p \geq 1, \delta \geq 1 \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} (c_i - c_{i-1})^p < c_i - c_{i-1} \\ p + \delta - 1 \geq 1 \Rightarrow (c_i - c_{i-1})^{p+\delta-1} < c_i - c_{i-1} \end{cases} \quad (11)$$

and the proof is the same as above if we replace the relation (9) with (11). ■

**Theorem 3.2** *If  $h$  is a measure function such that*

$$h(t) \sim P(t)e^{T(t)}, \quad (12)$$

where  $P$  and  $T$  are polynomials with positive coefficients:

$$\begin{aligned} P(t) &= a_1t + a_2t^2 + \dots + a_pt^p, \quad p \geq 1 \\ T(t) &= b_0 + b_1t + \dots + a_mt^m, \end{aligned}$$

$f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$  is a  $\delta$ -class Lipschitz function, with  $\delta \geq 1$ , then:  $H_h(\Gamma) < +\infty$ . The result is also true if  $p \geq 2, a_1 = 0$  and  $\delta \in [0, 1]$ .

**Proof.** The first part follows that of the previous theorem. We have to estimate the sum  $\sum_{C_r} h(2r)$ , for  $r \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$ .

$$\sum_{C_r} h(2r) = \sum_{C_r} \frac{h(2r)}{P(2r)e^{T(2r)}} \cdot P(2r)e^{T(2r)} < Qe^{\sum_{k=0}^m \frac{b_k}{2^k}} \sum_{C_r} P(2r), \quad (13)$$

because we have used the fact that  $r \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$  and (12).

Now, we estimate  $\sum_{C_r} P(2r)$ . The sum of the terms corresponding to the interval  $(c_{i-1}, c_i)$  is:

$$S = \left\{ \left[ 2(c_i - c_{i-1})^{\delta-1} \right] + 1 \right\} \sum_{k=1}^p a_k \left( (c_i - c_{i-1}) \sqrt{2} \right)^k,$$

where  $[x]$  is the integer part of  $x$ .

$$S \leq \left\{ 2(c_i - c_{i-1})^{\delta-1} + 1 \right\} \sum_{k=1}^p a_k (c_i - c_{i-1})^k 2^{k/2} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$S \leq 2^{\frac{p}{2}} \max_{k=1, p} a_k \left\{ 2(c_i - c_{i-1})^{\delta-1} + 1 \right\} \sum_{k=1}^p (c_i - c_{i-1})^k \Leftrightarrow$$

$$S \leq 2^{\frac{p}{2}} \max_{k=1, p} a_k \sum_{k=1}^p \left\{ 2(c_i - c_{i-1})^{k+\delta-1} + (c_i - c_{i-1})^k \right\}. \quad (14)$$

If  $p, \delta \geq 1$ , then  $k + \delta - 1 \geq 1$  and  $(c_i - c_{i-1})^{k+\delta-1} \leq c_i - c_{i-1}$ ; thus:

$$S \leq 3 \cdot 2^{\frac{p}{2}} \max_{k=1, p} a_k \sum_{k=1}^p (c_i - c_{i-1})$$

and it results, from (13):

$$\sum_{C_r} h(2r) < Qe^{\sum_{k=0}^m \frac{b_k}{2^k}} \cdot 3 \cdot 2^{\frac{p}{2}},$$

where  $Q > 0$  and  $r \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$ , small enough.

Then  $H_h(\Gamma) < +\infty$ .

If  $p \geq 1, \delta \in [0, 1)$ , then

$$1 \leq k - 1 \leq k + \delta - 1 < k$$

and

$$(c_i - c_{i-1})^k < (c_i - c_{i-1})^{k+\delta-1} \leq c_i - c_{i-1}.$$

Thus

$$S \leq 3 \cdot 2^{\frac{p}{2}} \max_{k=2, p} a_k \sum_{k=2}^p (c_i - c_{i-1})$$

and, analogous, it results that  $H_h(\Gamma) < +\infty$ . ■

**Theorem 3.3**

- a. *If  $f$  is the function defined in (4),  $\delta \in [0, 1), \varepsilon > 1, \{\lambda_i\}_{i \in N^*}$  is a sequence of positive numbers, such that  $\lambda_{i+1} > \varepsilon \lambda_i, (\forall) i \in N^*$  and  $h$  is a measure function, satisfying the relation (5), then:  $H_h(\Gamma) < +\infty$ .*
- b. *In the same hypothesis about  $f$  and  $\{\lambda_i\}_{i \in N^*}$ , if  $\delta > 1$  and  $\varepsilon > 1$ , then  $H_h(\Gamma) < +\infty$ .*

**Proof.** The proof is analogous with that of the Theorem 2.2. (See [3].) ■

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