

Problem 1 (4 Punkte)

Let (X, d) be a metric space and let $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow X$ be a path. Show that the following two statements are equivalent.

1. γ is absolutely continuous (Lipschitz),
2. There exists $l \in L^1([a, b])$ ($l \in L^\infty([a, b])$) such that for all $s \leq t \in [a, b]$ we have

$$d(\gamma(s), \gamma(t)) \leq \int_s^t l(\tau) d\tau.$$

Problem 2 (4 Punkte)

Let (X, d) be a metric space and let $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow X$ be a path. Assume the speed $v_\gamma(t)$ exists for all $t \in [a, b]$ and is continuous in t . Prove that

$$L(\gamma) = \int_a^b v_\gamma(t) dt.$$

Problem 3 (4 Punkte)

Prove that for any path $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow X$, not necessarily simple, that

$$L(\gamma) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}} k \mathcal{H}^1(\{\gamma^{-1}(x) : \#\gamma^{-1}(x) = k\})$$

where $\#$ denotes the cardinality of a set and we use the convention $0 \cdot \infty = 0$.

Hint: The right hand side is an integral of the function $x \mapsto \#\gamma^{-1}(x)$ w.r.t. \mathcal{H}^1 . Use the theorem of monotone convergence of integrals and recall $\text{diam } \gamma([a, b]) \leq \mathcal{H}^1(\gamma([a, b])) \leq L(\gamma)$.

Abgabe am Mittwoch, 22. November bis 12 Uhr beim Assistenten.