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ZESZYTY NAUKOWE WYŻSZEJ SZKOŁY PEDAGOGICZNEJ W BYDGOSZCZY  
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ON THE FUNCTIONS APPROXIMATELY- AND QUASI-CONTINUOUS WHICH ARE  
ALMOST EVERYWHERE DISCONTINUOUS

Denote by  $R$  the set of reals numbers.

A function  $f : [0,1] \rightarrow R$  is said to be quasi-continuous at a point  $x_0$ , if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  and for every neighborhood  $U$  of  $x_0$  there exists a nonempty open set  $V \subset U$  such that  $|f(x) - f(x_0)| < \varepsilon$  for each point  $x \in V$ .

A function  $f : [0,1] \rightarrow R$  is said to be quasi-continuous if it is quasi-continuous at each point  $x \in [0,1]$  (see [1]).

It is known there exists an approximately continuous function  $f : [0,1] \rightarrow R$  having the set of discontinuity points of full Lebesgue measure (Zahorski [2]). But this Zahorski's function isn't quasi-continuous. I shall prove the following theorem:

**Theorem 1.** There exists an approximately- and quasi-continuous function having the set of discontinuity points of full Lebesgue measure.

Proof. Let  $(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be sequence of positive reals such that

$$(1) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \leq 1.$$

Let  $C_1$  be a Cantor's set in  $[0,1]$  such that  $m(C_1) = \frac{1}{2}$  ( $m$  denotes the Lebesgue measure). Let  $F_1 \subset C_1$  be a  $F_\sigma$  sets such that  $m(C_1 - F_1) = 0$  and every point  $x \in F_1$  is a density point of the set  $F_1$ .

Let  $(I_{1k})_{k=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of all components of the set  $[0,1] - C_1$  and let  $(J_{1k})_{k=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of closed intervals such that

$$(2) \quad J_{1k} \subset I_{1k} \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots);$$

$$(3) \quad \frac{m(J_{1k})}{\text{dist}(J_{1k}, \text{Fr } I_{1k})} < \frac{1}{k} \quad \text{for } k = 1, 2, \dots, \text{ where } \text{Fr } I_{1k}$$

denotes the boundary of the set  $I_{1k}$ , and  $\text{dist}(J_{1k}, \text{Fr } I_{1k}) =$

$$= \inf_{\substack{x \in J_{1k} \\ y \in \text{Fr } I_{1k}}} |x - y|.$$

There is an approximately continuous function  $g_1 : [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $g_1(x) = 0$  for each point  $x \in [0,1] - F_1$  and  $0 < g_1(x) \leq a_1$  for each  $x \in F_1$  ([2]).

Let  $h_1 : [0,1] \rightarrow [0, a_1]$  be a function such that:

$$(4) \quad h_1(x) = 0 \quad \text{for each } x \in [0,1] - \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} J_{1k};$$

$$(5) \quad h_1(J_{1k}) = [0, a_1] \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots); \text{ and}$$

$$(6) \quad h_1 \text{ is continuous at each point } x \in [0,1] - C_1.$$

The condition (3) implies that the function  $h_1$  is approximately continuous. The function

$$f_1 = g_1 + h_1$$

is approximately continuous and by (3), (4), (5) it is quasi-continuous. Let  $C_2 \subset [0,1] - C_1$  be a Cantor's set such that  $m(C_2) = \frac{1}{4}$ . Denote by  $(I_{2k})_{k=1}^{\infty}$  a sequence of all components of the set  $[0,1] - C_2$ . There exists a sequence of closed intervals

$(J_{2k})_{k=1}^{\infty}$  such that:

$$(7) \quad J_{2k} \subset I_{2k} \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots): \text{ and}$$

$$(8) \quad \frac{m(J_{2k})}{\text{dist}(J_{2k}, \text{Fr } I_{2k})} < \frac{1}{k} \quad \text{for } k = 1, 2, \dots .$$

There exists a function approximately continuous  $g_2: [0,1] \rightarrow [0, a_2]$  such that  $g_2(x) = 0$  for each  $x \in [0,1] - F_2$  and  $0 < g_2(x) \leq a_2$  for each  $x \in F_2$  ([2]), where  $F_2 \subset C_2$  is a  $F_\sigma$  set such that  $m(C_2 - F_2) = 0$  and every  $x \in F_2$  is a density point of  $F_2$ .

Let  $h_2: [0,1] \rightarrow [0, a_2]$  be a function such that:

$$h_2(x) \neq 0 \quad \text{for each } x \in [0,1] - \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} J_{2k};$$

$$(9) \quad h_2(J_{2k}) = [0, a_2] \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots); \text{ and}$$

$$(10) \quad h_2 \text{ is continuous at each point } x \in [0,1] - C_2 .$$

The condition (8) implies that the function  $h_2$  is approximately

continuous. Then the function

$$f_2 = g_2 + h_2$$

is approximately continuous and by (9) and (10) it is quasi-continuous.

In generality, we define for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , the approximately- and quasi-continuous  $f_n : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, a_n]$ , which are continuous at each point  $x \in [0, 1] - C_n$  and discontinuous at each point  $x \in C_n$ , where  $C_n \subset [0, 1] - \bigcup_{k=1}^{n-1} C_k$  is a Cantor's set of measure  $\frac{1}{2^n}$ .

Let us put

$$(11) \quad f = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n.$$

The condition (1) implies the uniform convergence of the serie (11). The uniform convergence of the serie (11) implies the approximately continuity of the function  $f$  at each  $x \in [0, 1]$  and her continuity at each point  $x \in [0, 1] - \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n$ .

If  $x \in C_{n_0}$ , then all function  $f_n$  ( $n \neq n_0$  and  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ ) are continuous at point  $x$  and  $f_{n_0}$  isn't continuous and is quasi-continuous at this point  $x$ . Hence,  $f$  is quasi-continuous and isn't continuous at each point  $x \in \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n$ .

But

$$m\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n\right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} m(C_n) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} = 1$$

the set of discontinuity points of  $f$  is of full Lebesgue measure.

We consider the space of all bounded, approximately- and quasi-continuous functions  $f, g : [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with Tchebyshev metric

$$\rho(f, g) = \sup_{x \in [0,1]} |f(x) - g(x)|.$$

**Theorem 2.** Let  $\varepsilon$  be a positive number and let  $f : [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a bounded approximately- and quasi-continuous function. There exists a bounded approximately- and quasi-continuous function  $g : [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  having the set of discontinuity points of full Lebesgue measure and such that  $\rho(f, g) \leq \varepsilon$ .

**Proof.** If the set  $D(f)$  of all discontinuity points of  $f$  is of full Lebesgue measure, then  $g = f$ .

If  $m(D(f)) < 1$ , then we can show of the proof of the theorem 1 that there exists an approximately- and quasi-continuous function  $h : [0,1] \rightarrow [0, \varepsilon]$  which is discontinuous at each point  $x$  of a set  $E \subset C(f)$  ( $C(f)$  denotes the set of all continuity points of  $f$ ) such that  $m(C(f) - E) = 0$  and continuous at each point  $x \in [0,1] - E$ . Hence the function  $g = f + h$  satisfies all required conditions.

**Theorem 3.** Let  $\varepsilon$  be a positive number and let  $f : [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a bounded approximately- and quasi-continuous function. There exists a bounded approximately- and quasi-continuous function  $g : [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  having the set of continuity points of positive Lebesgue measure and such that  $\rho(f, g) \leq \varepsilon$ .

**Proof.** If the set  $C(f)$  of continuity points of  $f$  is of positive measure, then  $g = f$ . If  $m(C(f)) = 0$ , let

$A_{\frac{\varepsilon}{2}}(f) = \left\{ x \in [0,1] ; \text{ the oscillation of } f \text{ at point } \right.$

$$x \text{ is } < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \left. \right\}.$$

The set  $A_{\frac{\varepsilon}{2}}(f)$  is open and dense. Let  $I = [a,b] \subset A_{\frac{\varepsilon}{2}}(f)$

$(a < b \text{ and } \text{osc}_I f < \frac{\varepsilon}{2})$  a closed interval such that  $f(a) =$

$= f(b)$ . There exists such intervalle, because monotone approximately continuous function is continuous. Define

$$h(x) = \begin{cases} -f(x) + f(a) & \text{if } x \in I \\ 0 & \text{if } x \in [0,1] - I. \end{cases}$$

Then the function  $g = f + h$  is approximately- and quasi-continuous,  $g|_I \equiv f(a)$  and  $|f - g| \leq \varepsilon$ . Because  $C(g) \supset \text{Int } I$ , we have  $m(C(h)) > 0$ .

This complete the proof.

Remarque. Let

$$AQ = \left\{ f : [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} ; f \text{ is bounded, approximately- and quasi-continuous} \right\},$$

$$AQ_0 = \left\{ f \in AQ ; m(C(f)) = 0 \right\} \text{ and}$$

$$AQ_1 = \left\{ f \in AQ ; m(C(f)) > 0 \right\}.$$

From the theorems 2 and 3 we see that the sets  $AQ_0$  and  $AQ_1$  are dense both in  $AQ$ .

Corollary. The set  $AQ_1$  is a residual  $G_\delta$  set in  $AQ$ .

Proof. Because  $AQ_1 = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ f \in AQ ; m(C(f)) \leq \frac{1}{4} \right\}$  and all the sets  $\left\{ f \in AQ ; m(C(f)) \leq \frac{1}{n} \right\}$  are open ([3], Lemma 1), so  $AQ_1$  is a  $G_\delta$  set in  $AQ$ . Every a dense  $G_\delta$  set is residual.

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O FUNKCJACH APROKSYMATYWNIE - ORAZ QUASI-CIĄGŁYCH, KTÓRE SĄ  
PRAWIE WSZĘDZIE NIECIĄGŁE

#### Streszczenie

W tym artykule pokazuję, że w przestrzeni funkcji ograniczonych  $f : [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  aproksymatywnie- i quasi-ciągłych z metryką Czebyszewa zarówno zbiór funkcji prawie wszędzie nieciągłych, jak i jego dopełnienie są gęste.