

Updates on Traveling Salesman in Banach Spaces

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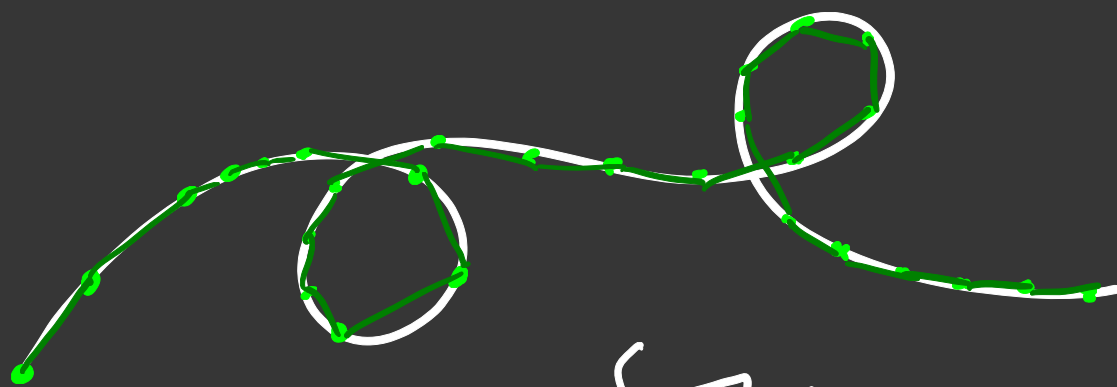
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X metric space

$\Gamma \subset X$ is a curve if $\Gamma = f([0,1])$

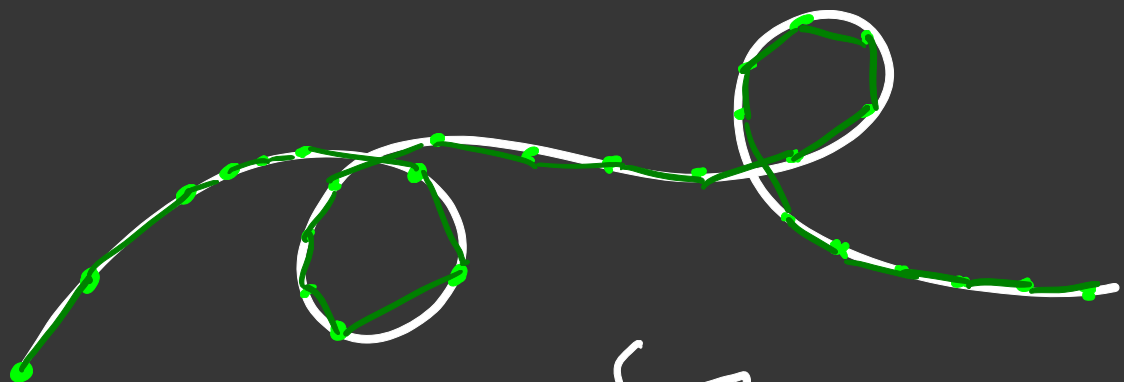
for some cts map $f: [0,1] \rightarrow X$

f is a parameterization of Γ



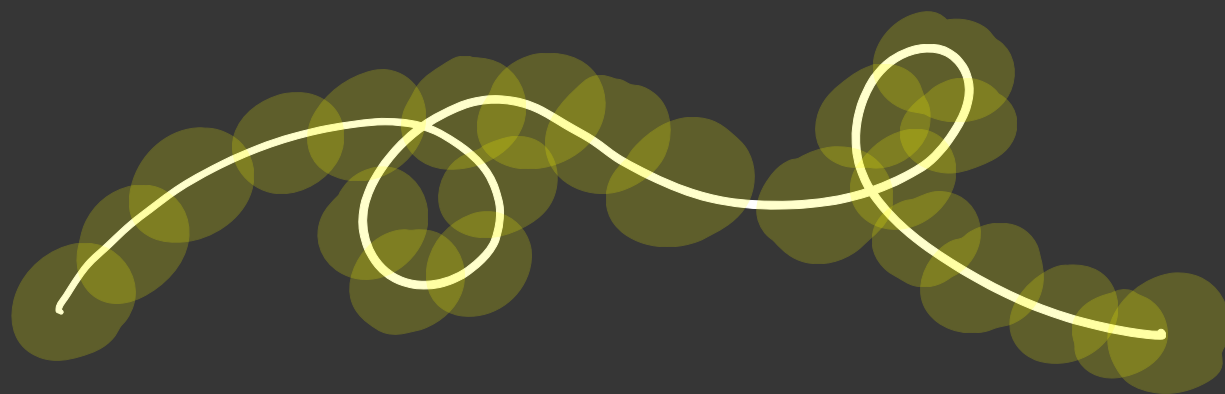
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"Extrinsic Length"

$$\mathcal{H}^1(\Gamma) = \lim_{\delta \downarrow 0} \inf \left\{ \sum_i \text{diam } U_i : \Gamma \subset \bigcup_i U_i, \text{diam } U_i \leq \delta \right\}$$

1-dimensional Hausdorff Measure

Ważewski's Theorem

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X is a metric space

$\Gamma \subset X$ nonempty

T.F.A.E.

① Γ is a rectifiable curve, i.e. $\Gamma = f([0,1])$
for some f with $\text{var}(f) < \infty$

② Γ is compact, connected, and $\mathcal{H}^1(\Gamma) < \infty$

③ Γ is a Lipschitz curve, $\Gamma = f([0,1])$
for some f s.t. $|f(x) - f(y)| \leq L|x - y|$

$$l_p = \left\{ (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) \in \mathbb{R}^\omega : \sum_i |x_i|^p < \infty \right\}$$

- Banach space when $1 \leq p < \infty$

$$\|x\|_p = \left(\sum_i |x_i|^p \right)^{1/p}, \quad \text{dist}_p(x, y) = \|x - y\|_p$$

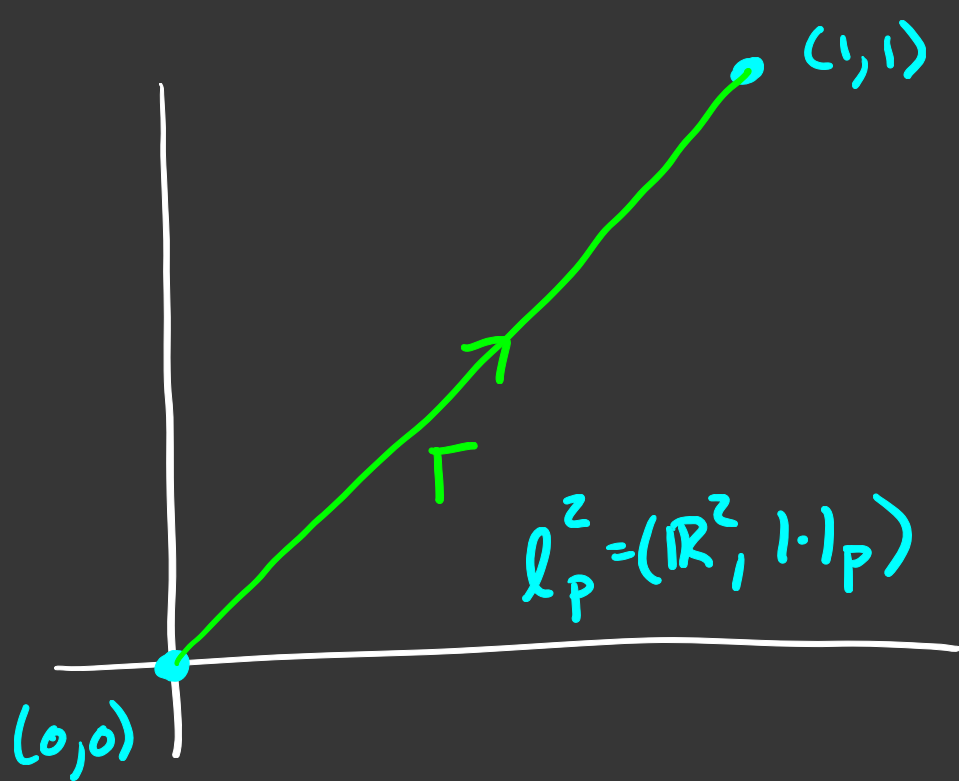
- separable ($1 \leq p < \infty$), reflexive ($1 < p < \infty$)

- increasing:

$$p < q \implies l_p \subset l_q$$

Identity is 1-Lipschitz embedding: $\|x\|_q \leq \|x\|_p$

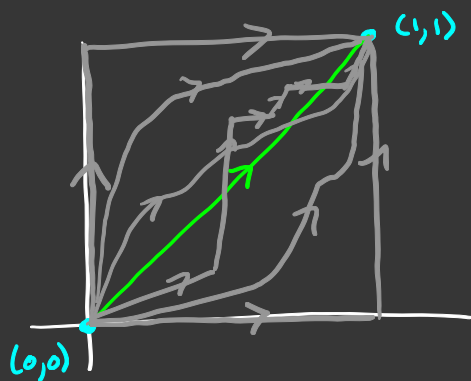
Corollary Γ rectifiable in $l_p \implies \Gamma$ rectifiable in l_q



$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}'(\Gamma) &= \|(1,1) - (0,0)\|_p \\ &= 2^{1/p} \end{aligned}$$

- rectifiable in each L_p
- shorter as $p \rightarrow \infty$

- In finite-dimensions, rectifiability independent of norm but length of curve depends on norm
- What about in infinite-dimensions?

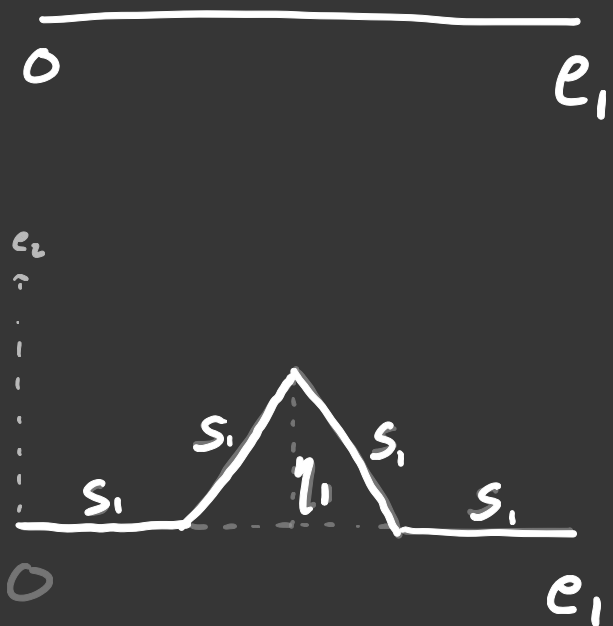


In L_1 , there are infinitely many geodesics between $(0,0)$ and $(1,1)$

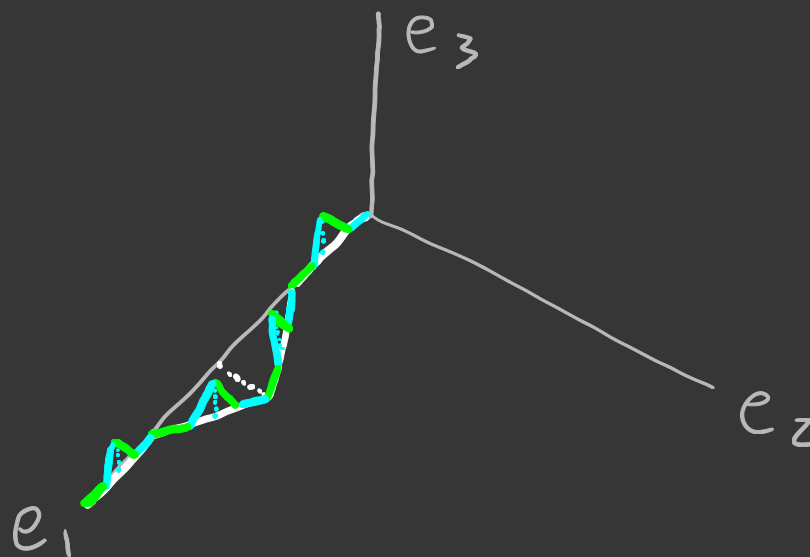
Example (B-McCurdy) Related Example by Edelen-Naber-Valtoyta

For all $1 < p < \infty$, there exists a curve Γ in l_p s.t.

$\mathcal{H}_{l_p}^1(\Gamma) = \infty$ and $\mathcal{H}_{l_q}^1(\Gamma) < \infty$ for all $q < p$.



Add blip of relative height η_1 in e_2 -direction



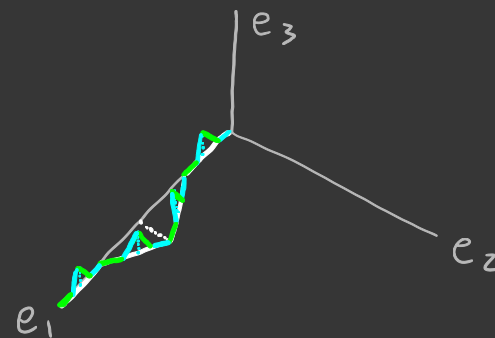
Add blips of relative height η_2 in e_3 direction

Add blips of relative height η_3 in e_4 direction ...

Example (B-McCurdy) Related Example by Edelen-Naber-Valtorza

For all $1 < p < \infty$, there exists a curve Γ in ℓ_p s.t.

$$\mathcal{H}'_{\ell_p}(\Gamma) = \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{H}'_{\ell_q}(\Gamma) < \infty \quad \text{for all } q > p$$



Basic Computation

$\Gamma \subset \ell_p$ relative heights η_i

$$\mathcal{H}'_{\ell_p}(\Gamma) \approx \exp\left(\sum_i \eta_i^p\right)$$

• Rectifiable \iff

$$\sum_i \eta_i^p < \infty$$

• If rectifiable, then Γ is Ahlfors regular

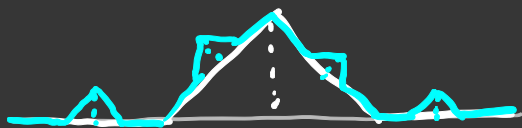
Choose $\eta_i = \frac{\delta}{i \log(i+i_0)}$ with $\delta > 0, i_0 \geq 1$ so $\eta_i \leq \frac{1}{16}$

$$\mathcal{H}'_{\ell_p}(\Gamma) = \infty, \quad \text{but} \quad \mathcal{H}'_{\ell_q}(\Gamma) \approx \exp\left(\sum_i \frac{\delta^{q/p}}{(i \log(i+i_0))^{q/p}}\right) < \infty$$

when $p < q$

We still do not have a complete picture!

$$l_p^2 = (\mathbb{R}^2, |\cdot|_p)$$

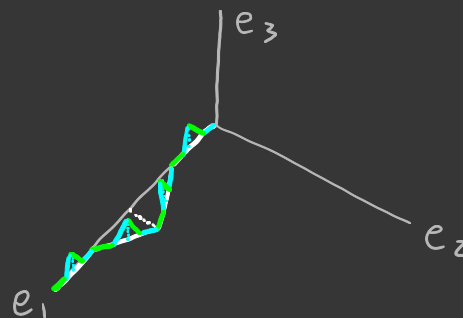


von Koch curve

- add blips in "⊥" directions
- relative heights η_i

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_{l_p}^1(\Gamma) &\approx \mathcal{H}_{l_2}^1(\Gamma) \\ &\approx \exp\left(\sum_i \eta_i^2\right) \end{aligned}$$

l_p infinite-dimensional



von Koch curve

- add blips in new e_{i+1} directions
- relative heights " η_i "

$$\mathcal{H}_{l_p}^1(\Gamma) \approx \exp\left(\sum_i \eta_i^p\right)$$

Length gained by adding blips sensitive to direction of blip!

Question: Can you build Γ , $\mathcal{H}_{l_p}^1(\Gamma) \approx \exp\left(\sum_i \eta_i^q\right)$, $q \in [2, p]$?

Analyst's Traveling Salesman Problem

P. Jones (1990): Given a set E in a metric space X , decide whether or not E is contained in some rectifiable curve Γ . If so, find a curve $\Gamma \supset E$ "short as possible".

Full solutions for sets in

\mathbb{R}^2 (P. Jones, 1990)

\mathbb{R}^2 (R. Schul, 2007)*

proof has technical errors, but can be fixed (B-McCooly, forthcoming)

Radon measures in \mathbb{R}^n
(M.B., R. Schul 2017)

\mathbb{R}^n (K. Okikiolu, 1992)

Carnot Groups (S. Li 2019)

Graph Inverse Limit Spaces
(G.C. David, R. Schul 2017)

Partial Survey (Continued)

I. Hahlomaa (2005)

- Sufficient Conditions for $\exists \Gamma \supset E$ in arbitrary metric space X
- Condition is not necessary in $\ell_1^2 = (\mathbb{R}^2, l_1)$

G.C. David, R. Schul (2019)

- Necessary Conditions for Γ to be rectifiable in arbitrary metric space X when Γ doubling

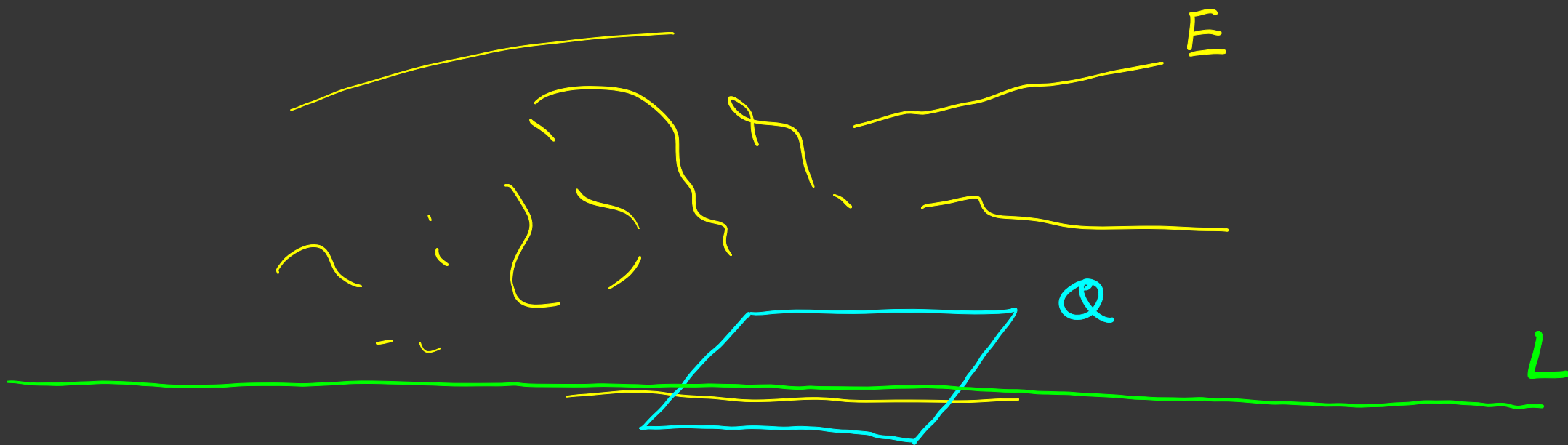
Reifenberg's Algorithm

N. Edelen, A. Naber, D. Valtorta (2019)

- Sufficient Conditions for \exists bi-Lipschitz surface $\supset E$ in ℓ_2 and for \exists bi-Lip curve $\supset E$ in $\ell_p, 1 < p < \infty$

P. Jones β number in a Banach space

"unilateral linear approximation"



set E

window Q

line L

$$\beta_E(Q, L) = \sup_{x \in E \cap Q} \frac{\text{dist}(x, L)}{\text{diam } Q} \in [0, 1]$$

$$\beta_E(Q) = \inf_L \beta_E(Q, L)$$

Jones-Okikiolu Theorem in Banach spaces

$(X, \|\cdot\|)$ finite-dimensional Banach space

Δ system of dyadic cubes (choice of basis)

$E \subset X$ bounded set

$\exists \Gamma \supset E$ with $\mathcal{H}'(\Gamma) < \infty$ iff

$$S_E = \sum_{Q \in \Delta} \beta_E(3Q)^2 \cdot \text{diam } Q < \infty$$

Moreover, can find Γ with $\mathcal{H}'(\Gamma) \approx \text{diam } E + S_E$

where implicit constants only depend on $\dim X$, Δ (choice of basis) and norm $\|\cdot\|$

Challenges in Infinite-Dimensions

① No "Dyadic Cubes"

↳ Many Good Ideas
by R. Schul

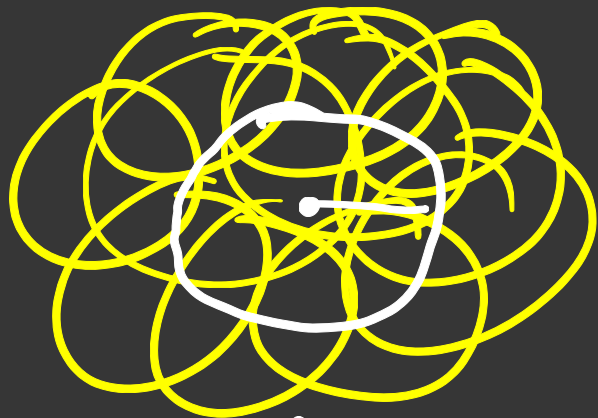
↳ Solution: Use 2^{-k} -nets X_k for E

and multiresolution families $\{B(x, 3 \cdot 2^{-k})\}_{x \in X_k}$

② Uncontrolled Overlap

↳ If $E = \Gamma$ and $\mathcal{H}'(\Gamma) < \infty$, X_k locally finite

but



can be arbitrarily large
number of balls $B(y, 3 \cdot 2^{-k})$
that intersect $B(x, 3 \cdot 2^{-k})$

↳ Soln: Complicated, but use fact when this happens β large

Theorem (R. Schul 2007) * Proof corrected by B-McCurdy (forthcoming)

$EC l_2$ bounded is contained in rectifiable curve

iff
$$\sum_{Q \in \mathcal{G}} \beta_E(Q)^2 \text{diam } E < \infty$$

↑ Multiresolution Family for E

Theorem (B-McCurdy 2020/2021) $1 < p < \infty$

$EC l_p$ bounded

• If $\sum_{Q \in \mathcal{G}} \beta_E(Q)^{\min(p,2)} \cdot \text{diam } Q < \infty$, then ECT
 $\mathcal{H}'(\Gamma) < \infty$

• If ECT
 $\mathcal{H}'(\Gamma) < \infty$, then $\sum_{Q \in \mathcal{G}} \beta_E(Q)^{\max(p,2)} \text{diam } Q < \infty$

Examples show gap btw $\min(p,2)$ and $\max(p,2)$
cannot be filled in.

↑ Modulus of
Smoothness

↑ Modulus of
Convexity

Takeaways

① Analyst's TSP

Trying to understand what rectifiable curves and their subsets look like

② Still open!

We only have solutions in a few metric spaces
Euclidean/Carathéodory methods not strong enough

③ Length gain is sensitive to direction

In spaces like ℓ_p , $p \neq 2$, we don't understand how to effectively estimate length gain
Beta numbers are not strong enough

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