

**Math 413 Analysis I**  
Bonus Problems 4 & 5

**Bonus Problem 4** If  $I = (a, b)$  is an interval, then the length of  $I$  is  $(b - a)$ . If  $O = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n$  where  $I_i \cap I_j = \emptyset$  for  $i \neq j$ , then the length of  $O$  is the sum of the lengths of the  $I_i$ . If  $O \subseteq [0, 1]$  has length  $l$ , then the closed set  $[0, 1] \cap O^c$  has length  $1 - l$ .

Modify the construction of the Cantor set as follows. Fix  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ . Such that the intervals removed at the  $n^{\text{th}}$  step has length  $\frac{\alpha}{3^n}$ . Prove that the set  $C^*$  constructed is closed, totally disconnected, nowhere dense, and has length  $1 - \alpha$ .

**Bonus Problem 5** For any set  $A$  let  $L(A)$  denote the limit points of  $A$ .

- a) Prove that  $L(A)$  is a closed set.
- b) Give an example of a closed set  $F$  where

$$F \supset L(F) \supset L(L(F)) \supset L(L(L(F))) = \emptyset.^1$$

- c) Give an example of a closed set  $F$  where

$$F \supset L(F) \supset L(L(F)) = L(L(L(F))) \neq \emptyset.$$

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<sup>1</sup>Note: We write  $A \subset B$  if  $A \subseteq B$  but  $A \neq B$ .