

1116-AC-1278 **Julius Barbanel*** (barbanej@union.edu), Department of Mathematics, Union College,
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We consider the following setting for fair division of a “cake” C : Each of n players has a countably additive, non-atomic, probability measure (defined on some σ -algebra of subsets of the cake) that is used to evaluate the size of pieces of cake (i.e., subsets of C). Two geometric structures that arise naturally in this context are:

1. The “Individual Pieces Set” or IPS, defined by

$$\text{IPS} = \{\langle m_1(P_1), m_2(P_2), \dots, m_n(P_n) \rangle : \langle P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n \rangle \in \mathcal{P}\}$$

where \mathcal{P} is the set of all partitions of C into n measurable subsets, and

2. The “Radon-Nikodym Set” or RNS, defined by

$$\text{RNS} = \{\langle f_1(a), f_2(a), \dots, f_n(a) \rangle : a \in C\}$$

where f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n are the Radon-Nikodym derivatives of m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n , respectively, with respect to the measure $m = m_1 + m_2 + \dots + m_n$.

These two structures (individually and in relation to each other) provide insight into various fair division properties, such as proportionality, envy-freeness, and efficiency. (Received September 18, 2015)