

Converse to Egoroff's Theorem

Let $\{f_k\}$ be a sequence of measurable fns with $f_k \rightarrow f$ in the sense of Egoroff. Then $f_k \rightarrow f$ pwise a.e.

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This means that pwise a.e. convergence is equivalent to "uniform off a set of arbitrarily small measure."

Lusin's Theorem

Theorem (Lusin) Let f be a f.v. a.e. measurable fn. defined on a measurable set E with $\lambda(E) < \infty$

Given $\varepsilon > 0$ there is a continuous function g so that

$|f(x) - g(x)| < \varepsilon$ except on a set of measure less than ε .

Similarly, there is a simple function h so that

$$\lambda(\{x : |f(x) - h(x)| \geq \varepsilon\}) < \varepsilon.$$

Proof We do the second part first. Suppose $f \geq 0$. For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and for $1 \leq k \leq 2^n n$, let

$$A_{n,k} = \left\{ x \in X : \frac{k-1}{2^n} \leq f(x) < \frac{k}{2^n} \right\}$$

$$B_n = \left\{ x \in X : f(x) \geq n \right\}$$

} Clearly both measurable sets

Define

$$S_n(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{2^k} \chi_{B_k}(x)$$

Then $|f(x) - S_n(x)| < \frac{1}{2^n}$ for all $x \in B_n^c$, so

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n(x) = f(x) \quad \text{a.e. } x \in X$$

If f is not ≥ 0 everywhere, apply the result to $\{x: f(x) \geq 0\}$ and $\{x: f(x) < 0\}$ to $-f(x)$ to see $\exists$ a sequence of simple functions f_n with $f_n \rightarrow f$ p.w. a.e. Now apply Egoroff to get the result.

Now for the first statement.

Let $\epsilon > 0$. Choose an open set U with $E \subset U$ and

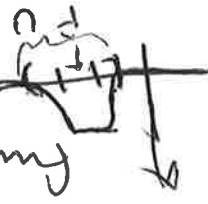
$$\lambda(U) \leq \lambda(E) + \frac{\epsilon}{4}$$

If $f = \chi_A$ for a measurable set $A \in \mathcal{E}$ with $\lambda(A) < \infty$

there is a compact set $F \subset A$ with $\lambda(A \setminus F) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$

By the Tietze Extension theorem $\exists$ a continuous function g with $g \equiv 1$ on F and $g \equiv 0$ outside U

$$\text{Thus } \lambda\{x: |f(x) - g(x)| \geq \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon\}$$



Next, use the first part of the proof to choose

a simple function $h = \sum_{j=1}^n a_j \chi_{A_j}$ with $|\lambda(h) - \lambda(f)| \geq \epsilon$

on a set of measure $< \epsilon$.

For each $j = 1, \dots, n$, choose a continuous function g_j

so that $|\lambda(A_j) - g_j| \geq \frac{\epsilon}{n}$ on a set F_n of measure $< \frac{\epsilon}{n}$

It follows that $|\lambda - \sum_{j=1}^n a_j g_j| < \epsilon$ on $E \setminus \bigcup F_n$.

The measure of the complement of this set is $\lambda(U \setminus F_n) \leq n \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{n} = \epsilon$

L'Hewitt's Three Principles

- (1) A measurable set is "almost" open
- (2) A measurable function is "almost" continuous
- (3) Fwise a.e. convergences "almost" uniform.

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Convergence in measure

This is another type of convergence of

measurable fns

Definition. Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of f.v.a.e.

measurable fns. We say that $f_n \rightarrow f$ in measure if

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda(\{x : |f_n(x) - f(x)| \geq \epsilon\}) = 0$$

We say that $\{f_n\}$ is Cauchy in measure

$$\forall \epsilon, \delta > 0 \quad \exists N \text{ s.t. } n, k \geq N \Rightarrow$$

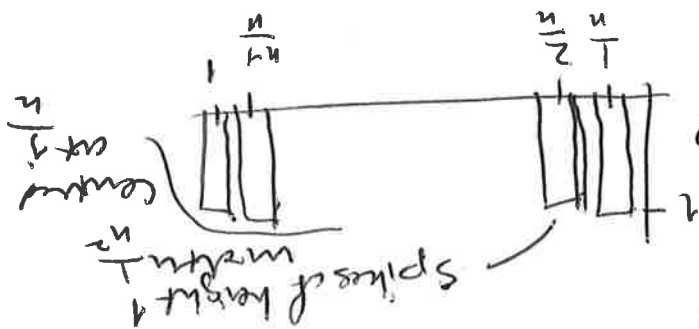
$$\lambda(\{x : |f_n - f_k| \geq \epsilon\}) < \delta.$$

Clearly $f_n \rightarrow f$ in measure a.e. $\Rightarrow f_n \rightarrow f$ in measure

(use Egoroff's Theorem)

Converse not true

Let $f_n(x) =$



From $0 < \epsilon < 1$ $\lambda(\{x : f_n(x) > \epsilon\}) = n \cdot \frac{1}{n^2} = \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0$
 So $f_n \rightarrow 0$ in measure, but $f_n \not\rightarrow 0$ pointwise a.e.

However, there's a completeness result for convergence in measure which is quite useful

(It's called convergence in probability in prob. theory)

Then let $\{f_k\}$ be a sequence of measurable,

converging in measure. Then there is a function f

s.t. $f_k \rightarrow f$ in measure.

Proof

We first prove a Lemma

Lemma Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of measurable

functions converging in measure. Then some subsequence

is converging in the ϵ -gauge sense.

Proof. $\forall k \exists n(k) : n, m \geq n(k)$

$$\Rightarrow \exists \{n_k\} : |f_{n_k}(x) - f_{m_k}(x)| \geq \frac{1}{2^k} < \frac{1}{2^k}$$

Choose an increasing sequence $n_1, n_2, n_3, \dots$

so that

$$\chi(E_k) = \chi(\{x : |f_{n_k}(x) - f_{n_{k+1}}(x)| \geq \frac{1}{2^k}\}) < \frac{1}{2^k}$$

Now $\forall x \in (\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} E_k)^c$, we have for $k, j \geq 1$

(say $k > j$)

$$|f_{n_k}(x) - f_{n_j}(x)| \leq \sum_{m=j}^{n_k} |f_{n_m}(x) - f_{n_{m+1}}(x)| < \sum_{m=j}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^m}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2^j} \leq \frac{1}{2^k}$$

$$\chi\left(\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} E_k\right) \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k} = 1$$

Thus f_{n_k} is converging in the ϵ -gauge sense

i.e. twice over.

Lemma proved!

Now define $f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x)$

Then f is measurable.

We define $f_n \rightarrow f$ in measure. To see this

↓ call this set A

$$\{x : |f_n(x) - f(x)| \geq \epsilon\} \subseteq \{x : |f_n(x) - f_{n_k}(x)| \geq \frac{\epsilon}{2}\}$$

$$\bigcup \{x : |f_{n_k} - f(x)| \geq \frac{\epsilon}{2}\}$$

↖ call this set B

Now f_{n_k} is Cauchy in measure so, for n, n_k

large enough, $\mu(A)$ is small. But $f_{n_k} \rightarrow f$ in the sense of Egoroff, so $\mu(B)$ is small if n_k is large enough.

Thus $\mu\{x : |f_n(x) - f(x)| \geq \epsilon\}$ is small if

n is large enough.

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(33) The Lebesgue Integral

If $f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \chi_{E_i}(x)$ is a

simple function with $E_1, \dots, E_n$ being disjoint

measurable sets and $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{C}$, define

$$\int f dx = \int f(x) dx = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \chi(E_i)$$

Further, define, for a measurable set E

$$\int_E f dx = \int f(x) \chi_E(x) dx \quad (= \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \chi(E \cap E_i))$$

Basic properties of this integral

If f, g are simple functions and $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$

then $\int (\alpha f + \beta g) dx = \alpha \int f dx + \beta \int g dx$

If f is real-valued and $f \geq 0$ a.s. then $\int f dx \geq 0$

Note that $|f+g|, |f|$ and $|g|$ are all simple functions so

$$\int |f+g| dx \leq \int |f| dx + \int |g| dx$$

(so $\|f\|_1 = \int |f| dx$ is a norm on the vector space of all simple functions)

Definition. We say that $\{f_k\}$, a sequence of simple functions, is Cauchy in mean if

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists N \text{ s.t. } m, n > N \Rightarrow \int |f_k - f_m| d\lambda < \epsilon$$

[N.B. If $\{f_k\}$ is Cauchy in mean, then

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int f_k d\lambda \text{ exists.}]$$

Definition of integrable function

Defn. A finite valued almost everywhere function f is said to be integrable if $\exists$ a sequence of integrable simple functions $\{f_k\}$ with $\{f_k\}$ Cauchy in mean and such that $f_k \rightarrow f$ in measure.

The integral of f is given by

$$\int f d\lambda = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int f_k d\lambda.$$

We have to show this is well-defined
Specifically, is it independent of the choice of $\{f_k\}$?

Lemma A. Suppose that $\{f_k\}, \{g_k\}$ are sequences of integrable simple functions, Cauchy in mean with $\int f_k \rightarrow f$ in measure and $\int g_k \rightarrow g$ in measure.

$$\text{Then } \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_E g_k d\lambda = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int f_k d\lambda.$$

Proof. Suppose first $f, \{f_k\}, \{g_k\}$ are all supported on E with $\lambda(E) < \infty$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Since $\{f_k\}$ and $\{g_k\}$ are both Cauchy in mean, choose k_1 so large that $k \geq k_1 \Rightarrow \int |f_k - f_{k_1}| d\lambda < \varepsilon$ and $\int |g_k - g_{k_1}| d\lambda < \varepsilon$.

Now $\exists k_0 \geq k_1$ such that $k \geq k_0 \Rightarrow$

$$\lambda(E_k') < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \text{ and } \lambda(E_k'') < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}, \text{ where}$$

$$E_k' = \{x \in E : |f(x) - f_k(x)| \geq \varepsilon\}$$

$$E_k'' = \{x \in E : |f(x) - g_k(x)| \geq \varepsilon\}$$

Then for $k \geq k_0$, $\lambda(E_k' \cup E_k'') < \varepsilon$, and

$$|f_k(x) - g_k(x)| < \varepsilon \text{ for } x \in \underbrace{(E_k' \cup E_k'')^c}_{E_k}$$

We may assume that $k \geq k_0 \Rightarrow$

$$\int_{E_k} |f_{k_1}| d\lambda < \varepsilon \text{ and } \int_{E_k} |g_{k_1}| d\lambda < \varepsilon.$$

Thus for $n \geq k_0$

$$\left| \int_{E_n} (f_n - g_n) d\lambda \right| \leq \int_{E_n} |f_n - g_n| d\lambda + \int_{E_n} |f_n - f_k| d\lambda + \int_{E_n} |g_k - g_n| d\lambda$$

$$\leq \epsilon(2(\epsilon) + \epsilon) = \epsilon + \epsilon + \epsilon + \epsilon = 4\epsilon$$

$$\text{Thus } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{E_n} f_n d\lambda = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{E_n} g_n d\lambda$$

Now suppose we have no restriction on

the support of f .

Since $\exists \delta > 0 : |f_n(x) - f(x)| \geq \delta \Rightarrow 0$ and

f_n is finitely supported, $\exists \delta > 0 : |f_n(x) - f(x)| \geq \delta \Rightarrow 0$ must be

finite. Call it $E(\delta)$.

Apply the ~~previous~~ part of the proof

to $f|_{E(\frac{\epsilon}{2})}, g_k|_{E(\frac{\epsilon}{2})}, g_n|_{E(\frac{\epsilon}{2})}$

deduce that $\exists k_0$ such that $k > k_0 \Rightarrow$

$$\int_{E(\frac{\epsilon}{2})} |f_n - g_n| d\lambda < \epsilon$$

Now let $n \rightarrow \infty$ to see

$$\int_{E(\frac{\epsilon}{2})} |f_n - g_n| d\lambda < \epsilon$$

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Lemma 5 Let f be an a.e. bdd measurable function on a set E of finite measure.

The sequence $\{f_k\}$ of simple functions

such that $f_k \rightarrow f$ in measure and f_k is bounded

in mean.

Thus f is integrable.

Proof Since f is a.e. bdd $\exists N$ s.t.

$$-N \leq f(x) \leq N \text{ for a.e. } x \in E.$$

Now for each integer k , $[-N, N]$ can be

divided into 2^k intervals of length $\frac{2N}{2^k}$ by

$$I_{k,i} = \left(-N + (i-1)\frac{2N}{2^k}, -N + i\frac{2N}{2^k} \right) \quad i=1, \dots, 2^k$$

Since f is measurable, $f^{-1}(I_{k,i})$ is a measurable set $A_{k,i}$.

Set $E_k = f^{-1}(I_{k,i})$ and define a function

$$f_k(x) = \sum f(I_{k,i}) \chi_{E_k}(x)$$

Then

(1) $f_k \rightarrow f$ in measure (indeed, $f_k \rightarrow f$ unif. because by def $|f_k(x) - f(x)| \leq \frac{2N}{2^k}$ a.e.)

(2) $\{f_k\}$ is Cauchy in mean because if $k, l > k_0$

$$\text{then } |f_k(x) - f_l(x)| \leq \frac{2N}{2^{k_0}}$$

$$\therefore \int_E |f_k(x) - f_l(x)| dx \leq \frac{2N}{2^{k_0}} \chi(E)$$

So, as $k_0 \rightarrow \infty$, the RHS $\rightarrow 0$

Observe that if f, g are integrable, then $f+g, |f|, f \vee g$ are all integrable

The basic result for integration of simple functions

pass over to integrable functions

Defn If f, g and f are integrable, we

say $f_n \rightarrow f$ in mean (or in L^1) if

$$\int |f_n - f| d\lambda \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Proposition A. Let $f_n \rightarrow f$ in mean. Then $f_n \rightarrow f$ in measure.

measure

[Proof] Let $\epsilon > 0$. Define $E_n = \{x : |f_n(x) - f(x)| > \epsilon\}$

$$\text{Since } \int |f_n - f| d\lambda \geq \int \epsilon \chi_{E_n} d\lambda = \epsilon \lambda(E_n)$$

Then $\lambda(E_n) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for any ϵ

Proposition B. Let f be an a.e. non-negative

integrable fn. Then $\int f d\lambda = 0$ iff $f = 0$ a.e.

Proof $\Rightarrow$ If $f = 0$ a.e. define simple fns

$f_n \equiv 0$ on E_n where E_n be simple and locally in mean converges to f in measure. Since $f \geq 0$ we may (by taking $f_n \vee 0$)

assume $f_n \geq 0$. Then $\int f d\lambda = 0 \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int f_n d\lambda = 0 \Rightarrow \lim \int |f_n| d\lambda = 0$

$\Rightarrow f_n \rightarrow 0$ in mean $\Rightarrow f_n \rightarrow 0$ in measure

But $f_n \rightarrow f$ in measure. Therefore $f = 0$ a.e. $\square$

Proposition C Suppose f is integrable, $f > 0$ a.e. ~~and~~ (56)
on E a measurable set, and $F \subseteq E$

Then $\int_F f d\lambda = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda(F) = 0$.

Proposition D Suppose f is integrable and E has
measure 0. Then $\int_E f d\lambda = 0$

Proof of C Let $F_0 = \{x: f(x) > 0\}$
 $F_n = \{x: f(x) > \frac{1}{n}\}$

Since $f > 0$ on E , $\lambda(E - F_0) = 0$, so we must
show that $\lambda(F \cap F_0)$ is measure 0.

$$0 = \int_{F \cap F_n} f d\lambda \geq \frac{1}{n} \lambda(F \cap F_n) \geq 0$$

$$\therefore \lambda(F \cap F_n) = 0 \quad \forall n$$

$$\text{But } F \cap F_0 \subseteq F \cap F_n \quad \forall n$$

$$\therefore \lambda(F \cap F_0) \leq \sum \lambda(F \cap F_n) = 0 \quad \square$$

(3.4) The Big Theorems of Lebesgue Integration

Recall the problems of exchanging limits and
integrals, in particular the sliding hump example.

We showed in the last section that if f is
~~integrable~~ a bdd a.e. msble fn on a set E of
finite measure, $\exists$ an integrable simple function g
with $\int_E |f - g| d\lambda < \epsilon$.

Theorem (Bounded Convergence Theorem)

Let $\{f_k\}$ be a sequence of measurable fns on a set E of finite measure.

Suppose $\exists M \in \mathbb{R}$ with $|f_k(x)| \leq M \quad \forall k, a.e. x \in E$

If $f(x) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f_k(x)$ a.e. x then

$$\int_E f d\lambda = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_E f_k d\lambda.$$

Proof Let $\varepsilon > 0$. $\exists N$ and a null set $A \subseteq E$ with $\lambda(A) < \frac{\varepsilon}{4M}$ s.t. $n \geq N$ and $x \in E - A$

$$\Rightarrow |f_n(x) - f(x)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2\lambda(E)}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \left| \int_E f_n d\lambda - \int_E f d\lambda \right| &= \left| \int_E f_n - f d\lambda \right| \leq \int_E |f_n - f| d\lambda \\ &= \int_{E-A} |f_n - f| d\lambda + \int_A |f_n - f| d\lambda \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + 2M\lambda(A) \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Theorem (Fatou's Lemma) Let $\{f_k\}$ be a

sequence of non-negative measurable fns s.t. $f_k \geq f$ a.e. on a measurable set E . Then

$$\int_E f d\lambda = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_E f_n d\lambda.$$

Proof of Fatou . By deleting a set of measure zero, we may as well assume that $f_k \rightarrow f$ everywhere.

Let h be a bdd. msble function vanishing outside a set $E' \subseteq E$ m. th $\lambda(E') < \infty$, where $h \leq f$.

$$\text{Let } h_n(x) = \min \{ h(x), f_n(x) \} \quad n=1, 2, \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \int_E h d\lambda &= \int_{E'} h d\lambda = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{E'} h_n d\lambda \\ &\leq \liminf \int_{E'} f_n d\lambda \end{aligned}$$

Given $\epsilon > 0$,

This may be done for any integrable simple f_n $h \leq f$ such that $\int_E |f - h| d\lambda < \epsilon$.

$$\text{Thus } \left| \int_E f - \int_E h \right| \leq \epsilon \text{ i.e.}$$

$$\int_E f d\lambda \leq \liminf \int_E f_n + \epsilon$$

Since ϵ is arbitrary, we see

$$\int_E f d\lambda \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_E f_n d\lambda \quad \square$$

N.B. We didn't assume that f was measurable in the above proof. That's a consequence...

Theorem (Monotone Convergence Theorem)

Let f_n be an increasing sequence of non-neg. msble f_n s, $f = \lim f_n$ (pwse limit)

Then f is integrable iff $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int f_n d\lambda < \infty$

and furthermore

$$\int f d\lambda = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int f_n d\lambda.$$

Proof. By Fatou, $\int f dx \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int f_n dx$

But, for all n , $f_n \leq f$, so $\int f_n dx \leq \int f dx$

Thus $\limsup \int f_n dx \leq \int f dx \leq \liminf \int f_n dx$

and hence $\lim \int f_n dx = \int f dx$ □

Proposition. Let f be a non-negative function, integrable over E .

For all $\epsilon > 0$ $\exists \delta > 0$ s.t. $A \in E$ with $\lambda(A) < \delta$

$$\int_A f dx < \epsilon$$

Proof. Suppose not. Then there is a sequence A_n of sets

such that

$$\int_{A_n} f dx \geq \epsilon \text{ and } \lambda(A_n) < \frac{1}{2^n}$$

Let $g_n = f \cdot \chi_{A_n}$. Then $g_n \rightarrow 0$, except on the

$$\text{set } \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$$

$$\text{But } \lambda\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^i} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Hence $g_n \rightarrow 0$ a.e.

Let $f_n = f - g_n$. Then $\{f_n\}$ is a sequence of non-neg.

functions. By Fatou's Lemma

$$\int f dx \leq \liminf \int f_n dx \leq \int f - \limsup \int g_n \leq \int f dx$$

This is a contradiction

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Theorem (Dominated Convergence Theorem - DCT)

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Let g be a nonnegative integrable function on the measurable set E , $\{f_n\}$ a sequence of measurable functions with $|f_n| \leq g$ on E (a.e.)

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x)$$

$$\text{Then } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_E f_n d\lambda = \int_E f d\lambda.$$

Proof. It follows from the assumption that

$g - f_n \geq 0$, and hence by Fatou's Lemma

$$\int (g - f) d\lambda \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int (g - f_n) d\lambda$$

Now $|f| \leq g$ and g is integrable, so by MCT f is integrable and hence

$$\int_E g d\lambda - \int_E f d\lambda \leq \int_E g d\lambda - \limsup \int_E f_n d\lambda$$

$$\text{hence } \int_E f d\lambda \geq \limsup \int_E f_n d\lambda$$

Now repeat the same argument with $g + f_n$ (instead of $g - f_n$) to get

$$\int_E f d\lambda \leq \liminf \int_E f_n d\lambda$$

and hence

$$\limsup \int_E f_n d\lambda \leq \int_E f d\lambda \leq \liminf \int_E f_n d\lambda \leq \limsup \int_E f_n d\lambda$$

Thus they're all equal and the limit exists and is equal to $\int f d\lambda$. $\square$

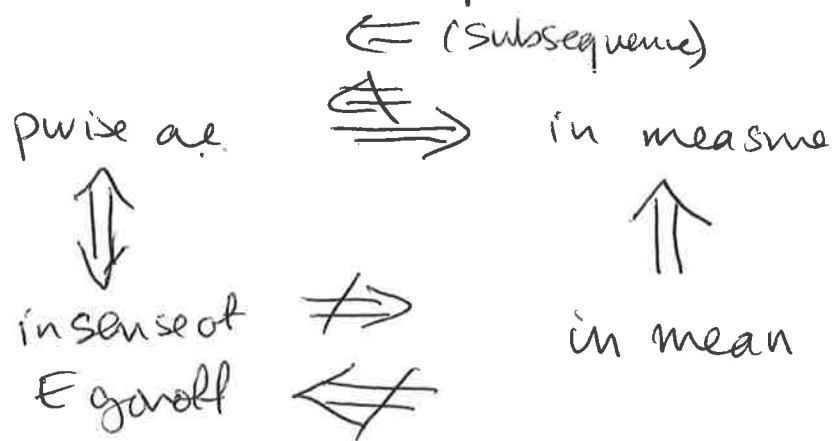
Convergence (Summary)

Suppose $\{f_n\}$ is a sequence of measurable functions and f is a measurable function

We have considered the following 4 types of convergence (more to come!!)

- $f_n \rightarrow f$ pwise a.e
- $f_n \rightarrow f$ in measure
- $f_n \rightarrow f$ in the sense of Egoroff
- $f_n \rightarrow f$ in mean. (or L^1)

The relationships between these are as follows



(3.4) L^p -spaces

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Defn Let $1 \leq p < \infty$. Denote

$$L^p = \{ f : |f|^p \text{ is integrable} \}$$

If $p = \infty$, let

$$L^\infty = \{ f : |f| \text{ is a.e. bounded} \}$$

$$\text{Let } \|f\|_p = \left(\int |f|^p d\lambda \right)^{1/p} \quad 1 \leq p < \infty$$

$$\|f\|_\infty = \text{ess. sup } |f(x)|$$

$$= \inf_{X_{\text{meas}} x \in X} \sup |f(x)|$$

These spaces are normed Banach spaces.

Proposition (Hölder's Inequality)

Let $f \in L^p$, $g \in L^q$ with $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$

$$\text{Then } \left| \int f g d\lambda \right| \leq \|f\|_p \|g\|_q$$

Proof

Note that for $x, y \geq 0$ $xy \leq \frac{1}{p} x^p + \frac{1}{q} y^q$
(Prove this by minimizing $\frac{1}{p} x^p + \frac{1}{q} y^q - xy$!)

$$\text{Now } \left| \int f g d\lambda \right| \leq \int |f| |g| d\lambda$$

$$\text{so } \int \frac{|f|}{\|f\|_p} \frac{|g|}{\|g\|_q} d\lambda \leq \frac{1}{p} \int \frac{|f|^p}{\|f\|_p^p} d\lambda + \frac{1}{q} \int \frac{|g|^q}{\|g\|_q^q} d\lambda = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$$

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Lemma (Minkowski's Inequality). Let $1 \leq p < \infty$
 if $f, g \in L^p$, $f+g \in L^p$ and

$$\|f+g\|_p \leq \|f\|_p + \|g\|_p$$

$$\overline{p} \int |f+g|^p \leq \int |f+g|^{p-1} |f| + \int |f+g|^{p-1} |g|$$

$$\leq \|f\|_p \|f+g\|_p^{p-1} + \|g\|_p \|f+g\|_p^{p-1}$$

$$\text{Now } \|f+g\|_p^{p-1} = (\int (f+g)^{p-1})^{1/(p-1)} = (\int |f+g|^{p-1})^{1/(p-1)}$$

$$\text{Since } (p-1)q = p$$

$$\text{and so } \|f+g\|_p^p \leq (\|f\|_p + \|g\|_p)^{p/q} (\|f+g\|_p)^{p/q}$$

$$\therefore \|f+g\|_p = \|f+g\|_p^{(p-p/q)} \leq \|f\|_p + \|g\|_p \quad \square$$

Unfortunately, $\|f\|_p$ is not quite a norm

since we can have $f \neq 0$ with $\int |f| = 0$

if f is supported on a set of measure zero!

So we define $f \sim g$ if $f=g$ a.e.

and take L^p to be the set of all equivalence classes of functions with this relation.

Mostly, we just treat elements of L^p

as functions, but we have to remember that

our conclusions are up to a.e.

Then L^p equipped with norm $\| \cdot \|_p$ is a metric space. We show that it is complete.

Proposition L^p is a complete metric space —

a Banach space

Proof. Suppose $\{f_n\}$ is Cauchy in the L^p sense

i.e. $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists N$ s.t. $n, m \geq N \Rightarrow$

$$\|f_n - f_m\|_p < \epsilon.$$

Then by Proposition $\times$ $\|f_n - f_m\|_p$ is Cauchy

in $\mathbb{R}$. Hence $\{f_n\}$ is Cauchy in

measure.

By Theorem $\exists$ a measurable function f

s.t. $f_n \rightarrow f$ in measure.

Since $\|f_n\|_p \rightarrow \|f\|_p$ in measure and $\|f_n\|_p < \infty$

Fatou's lemma implies that $\int \|f\|_p = \liminf \int \|f_n\|_p$

Thus $f \in L^p$.

$\square$

Remarks See later in the course

L^2 is a Hilbert space

L^p is the dual space of L^q if

$$1 \leq p < \infty \text{ and } \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1. \quad (L^\infty \text{ is the dual of } L^1)$$

Not conversely!