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Fact: $\|f_n - f\|_1 \rightarrow 0$ does not imply that $f_n \rightarrow f$ pointwise almost everywhere

ex: $f_1 = 1_{[0,1]}$

$$f_2 = 1_{[0,1/2]} \quad f_3 = 1_{[1/2,1]}$$

$$f_4 = 1_{[0,1/4]}, f_5 = 1_{[1/4,1/2]}, f_6 = 1_{[1/2,3/4]}, f_7 = 1_{[3/4,1]}$$

$$f_8 = 1_{[0,1/8]}, \dots$$

then $\|f_n\|_1 \rightarrow 0$ but $f_n \not\rightarrow 0$ pointwise almost everywhere.

Given $x \in [0,1]$, x will be in infinitely many dyadic intervals and so there will be infinitely many n so that $f_n(x) = 1$. Hence $f_n(x) \not\rightarrow 0$.

Note: You can certainly find a subsequence so that $f_{n_k} \rightarrow 0$ almost everywhere. For example, $\{f_{2^n}\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$.

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thm: Assume $\{f_n\} \subseteq L^1$ and $f \in L^1$ and $\|f_n - f\|_1 \rightarrow 0$.

Then \exists a subsequence f_{n_k} so that $f_{n_k} \rightarrow f$ pointwise almost everywhere.

proof: It suffices to show that if $\|f_n\|_1 \rightarrow 0$ then \exists a subsequence $\{f_{n_k}\}$ so that $f_{n_k} \rightarrow 0$ a.e.

We first show that if $\varepsilon > 0$ is fixed then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m(\{|f_n| \geq \varepsilon\}) = 0.$$

Let $E_{n,\varepsilon} := \{|f_n| \geq \varepsilon\}$. Then

$$0 \leq \varepsilon m(E_{n,\varepsilon}) \leq \int_{E_{n,\varepsilon}} |f_n| \leq \int |f_n| < \infty$$

and so $m(E_{n,\varepsilon}) < \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \|f_n\|_1$. Since $\|f_n\|_1 \rightarrow 0$ this shows $m(E_{n,\varepsilon}) \rightarrow 0$.

Given k , $\exists N(k)$ so that for all $n \geq N(k)$

$$m(\{|f_n| \geq \frac{1}{2^k}\}) < \frac{1}{2^k}$$

(why? see previous paragraph w/ $\varepsilon = 1/2^k$)

Choose $N(k)$ so that

$$N(1) < N(2) < N(3) < \dots$$

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Let $g_n := f_{N(n)}$ and $E_n := \{|g_n| \geq \frac{1}{2^n}\}$

$$F_n := \bigcup_{j=n}^{\infty} E_j \quad F_1 \supseteq F_2 \supseteq F_3 \supseteq \dots$$

I claim that if $x \in \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n^c$ then $g_n(x) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

since $x \in \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n^c$ then $x \in F_{k_0}^c$ some k_0 .

$$\text{So } x \in \left(\bigcup_{j=k_0}^{\infty} E_j \right)^c = \bigcap_{j=k_0}^{\infty} E_j^c = \bigcap_{j=k_0}^{\infty} \left\{ |g_j| < \frac{1}{2^j} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow |g_j(x)| < \frac{1}{2^j} \text{ for all } j \geq k_0$$

This shows that $g_n(x) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

Hence, if $D = \{x \mid g_n(x) \not\rightarrow 0\}$ then

$$D \subseteq \left[\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n^c \right]^c. \text{ We finish the proof by}$$

$$\text{showing that } m\left(\left[\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n^c \right]^c \right) = 0.$$

$$\left[\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} F_k^c \right]^c = \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} [F_k^c]^c = \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} F_k$$

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so by the continuity of measure,

$$m \left(\left[\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} F_k^c \right]^c \right) = m \left(\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} F_k \right) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} m(F_k)$$

$$= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} m \left(\bigcup_{j=k}^{\infty} E_j \right)$$

$$\leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} m(E_j)$$

$$< \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^j} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^{k-1}} = 0,$$

as desired //

§12D the space $L^2(\mathbb{R})$.

Recall that $L^2(\mathbb{R}) := \{ f \mid f \text{ real-valued \& measurable, } \int |f|^2 < \infty \}$

Further $L^1(\mathbb{R}) \not\subseteq L^2(\mathbb{R})$ and $L^2(\mathbb{R}) \not\subseteq L^1(\mathbb{R})$

We will study $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ via its inner product

where $(f, g) := \int fg$

This inner product induces the norm $\|f\| := \sqrt{(f, f)}$



Before considering $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ in depth, let's look at some general properties of vector spaces that have inner products.

defn: Let X be a vector space over \mathbb{R} . Then

$(\cdot, \cdot) : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is an inner product

if the following hold:

$(f, f) \geq 0 \quad \forall f \in X$

$(f, f) = 0 \iff f = 0$

$(f, g) = (g, f) \quad \forall f, g \in X$

$(af, g) = a(f, g) \quad \forall f, g \in X \quad \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$

$(f+g, h) = (f, h) + (g, h) \quad \forall f, g, h \in X$

claim: If X is a real vector space and

(\cdot, \cdot) is an inner product then $\|f\| := \sqrt{(f, f)}$

is a norm on X .

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proof: To see that $\|\cdot\|$ is a norm, we need to verify three things:

nondegeneracy: $\|f\| \geq 0 \quad \forall f, \|f\|=0 \Leftrightarrow f=0$

homogeneity: $\|\alpha f\| = |\alpha| \|f\|$

triangle inequality: $\|f+g\| \leq \|f\| + \|g\|$.

nondegeneracy:

$$\|f\| = \sqrt{(f,f)} \geq 0 \text{ since } (f,f) \geq 0$$

$$\|f\| = \sqrt{(f,f)} = 0 \Leftrightarrow (f,f) = 0 \Leftrightarrow f = 0 \checkmark$$

homogeneity:

$$\|\alpha f\| = \sqrt{(\alpha f, \alpha f)} = \sqrt{\alpha (f, \alpha f)}$$

$$= \sqrt{\alpha (\alpha f, f)} = \sqrt{\alpha^2 (f, f)}$$

$$= |\alpha| \sqrt{(f, f)} = |\alpha| \|f\| \checkmark$$

used the symmetry of (\cdot, \cdot) & the property of (\cdot, \cdot) & scalar mult.

triangle inequality:

$$\|f+g\|^2 = (f+g, f+g) = (f, f) + 2(f, g) + (g, g)$$

$$= \|f\|^2 + 2(f, g) + \|g\|^2$$

By the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality

$$|(f, g)| \leq \|f\| \|g\|$$

hence

$$\begin{aligned} \|f+g\|^2 &\leq \|f\|^2 + 2\|f\| \|g\| + \|g\|^2 \\ &= (\|f\| + \|g\|)^2 \end{aligned}$$

proving $\|f+g\| \leq \|f\| + \|g\|$ //

Great! So all we need to prove is the

Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality: Let X be a real vector space, (\cdot, \cdot) an inner product on X , and $\|\cdot\|$ the norm induced by (\cdot, \cdot) . Then

$$|(f, g)| \leq \|f\| \|g\| \quad \forall f, g \in X.$$

proof 1: Fix $f, g \in X$.

define $\phi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ by $\phi(\lambda) := (f + \lambda g, f + \lambda g)$

Using the definition of inner product,

$$\phi(\lambda) = (f, f) + 2\lambda(f, g) + \lambda^2(g, g)$$

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The graph of ϕ is a parabola with

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_{\min} &= \phi(\lambda_{\min}) = \phi\left(-\frac{(f,g)}{(g,g)}\right) \\ &= (f,f) - \frac{2(f,g)}{(g,g)}(f,g) + \frac{(f,g)^2}{(g,g)^2}(g,g) \\ &= (f,f) - \frac{(f,g)^2}{(g,g)}\end{aligned}$$

Note that I found λ_{\min} via calculus: $\frac{d\phi}{d\lambda} = 2(f,g) + 2\lambda(g,g) = 0$

when $\lambda = -(f,g)/(g,g)$.

Since $\phi_{\min} \geq 0$ we see that

$$\phi_{\min} = (f,f) - \frac{(f,g)^2}{(g,g)} \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (f,f)(g,g) \geq (f,g)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (f,g)^2 \leq \|f\|^2 \|g\|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow |(f,g)| \leq \|f\| \|g\|, \text{ as desired.} //$$