

UNDEFINED CONTROL SEQUENCES

1. HÖLDER'S INEQUALITY AND MINKOWSKI'S INEQUALITY.

We fix $p, q \in [1, \infty]$ such that

$$\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1.$$

Definition 1.1. Suppose $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is Lebesgue measurable. We let

$$\|f\|_p = \left(\int |f(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p} \quad \text{if } p < \infty$$

and we let

$$\|f\|_\infty = \sup\{t \in (0, \infty) : \mathbb{L}e\mathbb{b}^n(\{|f| > t\}) > 0\}.$$

Proposition 1.1. Suppose $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is Lebesgue measurable and $c \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

$$\|cf\|_p = |c|\|f\|_p.$$

Proof. Exercise for the reader. □

Theorem 1.1. (Hölder's Inequality.) Suppose $f, g : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are Lebesgue measurable. Then

$$\|fg\|_1 \leq \|f\|_p \|g\|_q.$$

Proof. Exercise for the reader. Here are some hints. Treat the case $p = \infty$ or $q = \infty$ by a straightforward argument. When $p < \infty$ and $q < \infty$ first reduce to the case $\|f\|_p = 1$ and $\|g\|_q = 1$ by making use of the previous Proposition; then apply the inequality

$$a^{1/p} b^{1/q} \leq \frac{1}{p} a + \frac{1}{q} b \quad \text{for } a, b \in (0, \infty).$$

□

Theorem 1.2. Minkowski's Inequality. Suppose $f, g : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are Lebesgue measurable. Then

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

Proof. Exercise for the reader. Here are some hints. The cases $p = 1$ and $p = \infty$ follow from the triangle inequality. In case $1 < p < \infty$ apply Hölder's Inequality to $|f + g|^p \leq |f + g|^{p-1}(|f| + |g|)$. □

1.1. An extension of Hölder's Inequality. Suppose $p, q, r \in [0, \infty]$ and

$$\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{r}.$$

Theorem 1.3. Suppose $f, g : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are Lebesgue measurable. Then

$$\|fg\|_r \leq \|f\|_p \|g\|_q.$$

Proof. Exercise for the reader. It easily reduces to the Hölder Inequality. □

1.2. Minkowski's inequality in integral form.

Theorem 1.4. (Minkowski's inequality in integral form.) Suppose $f : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is Lebesgue measurable and $1 \leq p < \infty$. Then

$$\left(\int \left| \int h(x, y) dy \right| dx \right)^{1/p} \leq \int \left(\int |h(x, y)|^p dx \right)^{1/p} dy.$$

Proof. By an approximation argument we need only consider h of the form

$$h(x, y) = \sum_{j=1}^N f_j(x) 1_{F_j}(y), \quad (x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R},$$

where N is a positive integer; f_j is Lebesgue measurable; and $F_j \in \mathcal{F}$, $j = 1, \dots, N$; and $F_i \cap F_j = \emptyset$ if $1 \leq i < j \leq N$. We use Minkowski's inequality to estimate

$$\left(\int \left| \int h(x, y) dy \right| dx \right)^{1/p} = \left(\int \left| \sum_{j=1}^N \|F_j\| f_j(x) \right|^p dx \right)^{1/p} \leq \sum_{j=1}^N \|F_j\| \left(\int |f_j(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p}.$$

But

$$\int \left(\int |h(x, y)|^p dx \right)^{1/p} dy = \sum_{j=1}^N \int_{F_j} \left(\int |h(x, y)|^p dx \right)^{1/p} = \sum_{j=1}^N \int_{F_j} \left(\int |f_j(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p}.$$

□

2. CONVOLUTION AND OTHER STUFF.

Definition 2.1. Whenever X is a set, f is a function with domain X and P is a permutation of X we let

$$Pf = f \circ P^{-1};$$

thus if Q is another permutation of X then

$$(P \circ Q)f = P(Qf).$$

Definition 2.2. For each $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$ let

$$\tau_a : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n,$$

translation by a , be such that

$$\tau_a(x) = x + a.$$

Evidently,

$$\tau_a^{-1} = \tau_{-a}$$

and

$$\tau_a \circ \tau_b = \tau_{a+b} \quad \text{for } b \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Proposition 2.1. Suppose $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

If $f \in \mathcal{L}^1_n$ then

$$f \in \mathbf{Leb}_n^+ \Leftrightarrow \tau_a f \in \mathbf{Leb}^+$$

in which case $\mathbf{I}(f) = \mathbf{I}(\tau_a f)$.

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Proof. Exercise for the reader. Proceed as follows. First, show that $|\tau_a[R]| = |R|$ whenever R is a rectangle. Second, show that $\mathbb{I}_n(\tau_a s) = \mathbb{I}_n(s)$ whenever $s \in n$ and that $n(\tau_a s) = n(s)$ whenever $s \in n$. Lastly, approximate f above by $s \in n$ if $f \in \mathbf{Leb}_n^+$ and by $s \in n$ if $f \in \mathbf{Leb}_n$. \square

Definition 2.3. Whenever $f, g \in \mathbf{Leb}_n^+$ we define

$$f * g \in \mathbf{Leb}_n$$

by letting

$$f * g(x) = \int f(x-y)g(y) dy \quad \text{for } x \in \mathbb{R}n.$$

We say the pair $(f, g) \in n \times n$ of functions on $\mathbb{R}n$ is **admissible** if f and g are Lebesgue measurable and

$$\mathbb{L}eb^n(\{|f| * |g| = \infty\}) = 0$$

in which case we define

$$f * g : \mathbb{R}n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

by letting

$$f * g(x) = \begin{cases} \int f(x-y)g(y) dy & \text{if } |f| * |g|(x) < \infty, \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

Proposition 2.2. Suppose $f, g \in \mathbf{Leb}_n^+$. Then the following statements hold.

- (ii) $f * g = g * f$;
- (iii) $f * (g * h) = (f * g) * h$;
- (iv) if $a \in \mathbb{R}n$ then

$$(\tau_a f) * g = \tau_a(f * g) = f * (\tau_a g).$$

Proof. Exercise for the reader. Use Tonelli's Theorem and Proposition ?? \square

Proposition 2.3. Suppose $f, g, h \in \mathbf{Leb}_n$. Then the following statements hold.

- (i) (f, g) is admissible;
- (ii) $f * g \in \mathbf{Leb}_n$ and $f * g = g * f$ almost everywhere;
- (iii) $f * (g * h) = (f * g) * h$ almost everywhere;
- (iv) if $a \in \mathbb{R}n$ then

$$(\tau_a f) * g = \tau_a(f * g) = f * (\tau_a g) \quad \text{almost everywhere.}$$

Proof. Exercise for the reader. Use Tonelli's Theorem and Proposition ?? to show that (f, g) is admissible. You could also peak at the proof of the next Theorem. \square

Theorem 2.1. Suppose f and g are Lebesgue measurable, $\|f\|_p < \infty$ and $\|g\|_1 < \infty$. Then (f, g) is admissible and

$$\|f * g\|_p \leq \|f\|_p \|g\|_1.$$

Proof. Using Minkowski's Inequality in integral form we estimate

$$\begin{aligned}
\|f * g\|_p &= \left(\int \left| \int f(x-y)g(y) dy \right|^p dx \right)^{1/p} \\
&\leq \int \left(\int |f(x-y)g(y)|^p dx \right)^{1/p} dy \\
&= \int \left(\int |f(x-y)|^p dx \right)^{1/p} |g(y)| dy \\
&= \int \left(\int |f(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p} |g(y)| dy \\
&= \|f\|_p \|g\|_1.
\end{aligned}$$

□

Proposition 2.4. Suppose $1 \leq p < \infty$, f is Lebesgue measurable and

$$\|f\|_p < \infty.$$

Then for each $\epsilon > 0$ there is an elementary function s such that $\|f - s\|_p < \epsilon$.

Proof. Let $\epsilon > 0$.

For each positive integer ν let $E_\nu = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |f(x)| \leq \nu\}$. Since $1_{E_\nu}|f|^p \uparrow |f|^p$ as $\nu \uparrow \infty$ we infer from the Monotone Convergence Theorem and the additivity of the integral that

$$\int_{E_\nu} |f(x)|^p dx \uparrow \int |f(x)|^p dx \quad \text{as } \nu \uparrow \infty.$$

By the additivity of the integral we infer that

$$\|f - 1_{E_\nu} f\|_p^p = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus E_\nu} |f(x)|^p dx = \int |f(x)|^p dx - \int_{E_\nu} |f(x)|^p dx \downarrow 0 \quad \text{as } \nu \uparrow \infty.$$

We may therefore choose a positive integer N such that $\|f - 1_{E_N} f\|_p \leq \epsilon/2$. Since $f 1_{E_N} \in \mathbf{Leb}_1$ we may choose an elementary function s such that $|s| \leq N$ and

$$(2N)^p \int |f 1_{E_N} - s|(x) dx \leq \left(\frac{\epsilon}{2}\right)^p.$$

Then

$$\|f 1_{E_N} - s\|_p^p = \int |f 1_{E_N} - s|^p dx \leq (2M)^p \int |f 1_{E_N} - s| dx \leq \left(\frac{\epsilon}{2}\right)^p.$$

It follows from Minkowski's Inequality that

$$\|f - s\|_p \leq \|f - 1_{E_N} f\|_p + \|1_{E_N} f - s\|_p \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon.$$

□

2.1. Smoothing. Let

$$\phi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

be a smooth function such that

- (i) $0 \leq \phi$;
- (ii) $\mathbf{cl}\{\phi \neq 0\} \subset \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |x| < 1\}$;
- (iii) $\int \phi(x) dx = 1$.

For each $\epsilon > 0$ we let

$$\phi_\epsilon(x) = \epsilon^{-n} \phi(\epsilon^{-1}x) \quad \text{for } x \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Then

- (i) $0 \leq \phi_\epsilon$;
- (ii) $\text{cl}\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \phi_\epsilon(x) \neq 0\} \subset \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |x| < \epsilon\}$;
- s(iii) $\int \phi_\epsilon(x) dx = 1$.

Theorem 2.2. Suppose $1 \leq p < \infty$ and f is measurable and

$$\int |f(x)|^p dx < \infty.$$

Then $\phi_\epsilon * f$ is smooth and

$$\|f - \phi_\epsilon * f\|_p \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \epsilon \downarrow 0.$$

Proof. Let $\eta > 0$ and let s be a elementary function such that $\|f - s\|_p < \eta/3$.

Then

$$\|f - \phi_\epsilon * f\|_p \leq \|f - s\|_p + \|s - \phi_\epsilon * s\|_p + \|\phi_\epsilon * (f - s)\|_p < 2\eta + \|s - \phi_\epsilon * s\|_p.$$

Finally, as s is elementary, $\|s - \phi_\epsilon * s\|_p \rightarrow 0$ as $\epsilon \downarrow 0$. (Do you see why?) \square