

Lebesgue spaces (on \mathbb{R}^d)

(repetition)

Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ be measurable.

Definition (Lebesgue spaces)

Let $p \in [1, \infty]$. Then we define

$$L^p(\Omega) = \{ f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ measurable}; \|f\|_p < \infty \}, \text{ where}$$

$$\text{if } p \in [1, \infty): \|f\|_p = \left(\int_{\Omega} |f|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}},$$

$$\text{if } p = \infty: \|f\|_{\infty} = \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{x \in \Omega} |f(x)| = \inf \{ \alpha > 0: |f| \leq \alpha \text{ a.e. in } \Omega \}.$$

Moreover, for $p=2$ we define $(f, g)_{L^2} = \int_{\Omega} fg$.

We identify functions equal a.e., as usual.

Further, let $L^p_{loc}(\Omega) = \{ f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ measurable}; f \in L^p(K) \forall K \subset \Omega \text{ compact} \}$

Example $\frac{1}{|x|} \notin L^1((0,1))$, $\frac{1}{|x|} \in L^1_{loc}((0,1))$.

Proposition $(L^p(\Omega), \|\cdot\|_p)$ is a Banach space, $p \in [1, \infty]$.

$(L^2(\Omega), (\cdot, \cdot)_{L^2})$ is a Hilbert space.

Example (singularities of L^p functions) Let $p \in [1, \infty)$, $B(0,1) \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ the unit ball, and $f(x) = \frac{1}{|x|^{\alpha}}$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$. Then

(a) $f \in L^p(B(0,1))$ iff $\alpha < \frac{d}{p}$

(b) $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^d \setminus B(0,1))$ iff $\alpha > \frac{d}{p}$.

Proof (a) $\int_{B(0,1)} |f|^p = \int_0^1 \int_{S_r} \frac{1}{|x|^{\alpha p}} dS(x) dr = \int_0^1 \frac{|S_1|}{r^{\alpha p}} \cdot r^{d-1} \cdot \frac{1}{r^{\alpha p}} dr = |S_1| \int_0^1 \frac{1}{r^{\alpha p - d + 1}} dr < \infty$

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integration by spheres

area of unit sphere

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$$\alpha p - d + 1 < 1$$

$$\alpha > \frac{d}{p}$$

(b) similar

Definition (conjugate exponent) For $p \in [1, \infty]$ define $p' \in [1, \infty]$ such that $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p'} = 1$.

Lemma (Young's inequality) For any $a, b \geq 0$ and $p \in [1, \infty]$ it holds

$$ab \leq \frac{a^p}{p} + \frac{b^{p'}}{p'}$$

Proof $ab = e^{\log ab} = e^{\frac{1}{p} \log a^p + \frac{1}{p'} \log b^{p'}} \leq \frac{1}{p} e^{\log a^p} + \frac{1}{p'} e^{\log b^{p'}}$
 exp convex, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p'} = 1$ □

Theorem (Holder's inequality) Let $f \in L^p(\Omega)$, $g \in L^{p'}(\Omega)$, $p \in [1, \infty]$ then $fg \in L^1(\Omega)$, $\|fg\|_1 \leq \|f\|_p \|g\|_{p'}$.

Proof Let $\|f\|_p, \|g\|_{p'} > 0$ (otherwise $0 \leq 0$)

$p \in [1, \infty)$: Then for a.e. $x \in \Omega$: $\frac{|f(x)||g(x)|}{\|f\|_p \|g\|_{p'}} \stackrel{\text{Young}}{\leq} \frac{|f(x)|^p}{p \|f\|_p^p} + \frac{|g(x)|^{p'}}{p' \|g\|_{p'}^{p'}}$

integrate over Ω : $\frac{\|fg\|_1}{\|f\|_p \|g\|_{p'}} \leq \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p'} = 1$ □

$p=1$: $\|fg\|_1 = \int_{\Omega} |fg| \leq \int_{\Omega} |f||g| = \|f\|_1 \|g\|_{\infty}$
 $p=\infty$: $\|fg\|_1 = \int_{\Omega} |fg| \leq \int_{\Omega} |f||g| = \|f\|_{\infty} \|g\|_1$

Corollary (bounded domains) If $|\Omega| < \infty$, $1 \leq p \leq q \leq \infty$, then $L^q(\Omega) \subset L^p(\Omega)$ and $\forall f \in L^q(\Omega)$: $\|f\|_p \leq |\Omega|^{\frac{q-p}{pq}} \|f\|_q$.
[$\frac{1}{p}$ if $q = \infty$]

Proof $\|f\|_p = \|1 \cdot |f|^p\|_1^{\frac{1}{p}} \stackrel{\text{Hölder}}{\leq} \|1\|_{\frac{q}{q-p}}^{\frac{1}{p}} \| |f|^p \|_{\frac{q-p}{p}}^{\frac{1}{p}} = |\Omega|^{\frac{q-p}{pq}} \|f\|_q$ □

Corollary (interpolation of L^p spaces) Let $1 \leq p \leq r \leq q \leq \infty$

then $L^r(\Omega) \subset L^p(\Omega) \cap L^q(\Omega)$. Moreover, for $\theta \in [0, 1]$ s.t. $\frac{1}{r} = \frac{\theta}{p} + \frac{1-\theta}{q}$

$\forall f \in L^p(\Omega) \cap L^q(\Omega)$: $\|f\|_r \leq \|f\|_p^{\theta} \|f\|_q^{1-\theta}$.

Proof Let $\theta \in (0, 1)$. $\|f\|_r = \| |f|^r \|_1^{\frac{1}{r}} = \| |f|^{\theta r} |f|^{(1-\theta)r} \|_1^{\frac{1}{r}} \stackrel{\text{Hölder}}{\leq}$

$\leq \| |f|^{\theta r} \|_{\frac{p}{\theta r}}^{\frac{1}{r}} \| |f|^{(1-\theta)r} \|_{\frac{q}{(1-\theta)r}}^{\frac{1}{r}} = \|f\|_p^{\theta} \|f\|_q^{1-\theta}$ □

(otherwise $r=p$ or $r=q$)

Now we aim to prove density of smooth functions in $L^p(\Omega)$, $1 \leq p < \infty$.

Theorem ~~Monotone~~ $C_c(\mathbb{R}^d)$ is dense in $L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)$, $p \in [1, \infty)$.

Proof Let $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. By definition of Lebesgue integral, we find a simple function $f_2 = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \chi_{M_i}$, $M_i \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ measurable disjoint, $a_i \in \mathbb{R}$, such that $\|f - f_2\| < \varepsilon$.

Further, by inner regularity of Lebesgue measure, we find compact sets $K_i \subset M_i$, s.t. $\sum_{i=1}^n |M_i \setminus K_i| \leq \frac{\varepsilon^p}{n \max |a_i|^p}$.

Then $f_3 = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \chi_{K_i}$ satisfies $\|f_3 - f_2\|_p = \left(\sum |M_i \setminus K_i| \cdot |a_i|^p \right)^{1/p} \leq \varepsilon$.

Then $\min_{i \neq j} \text{dist}(K_i, K_j) = d > 0$.

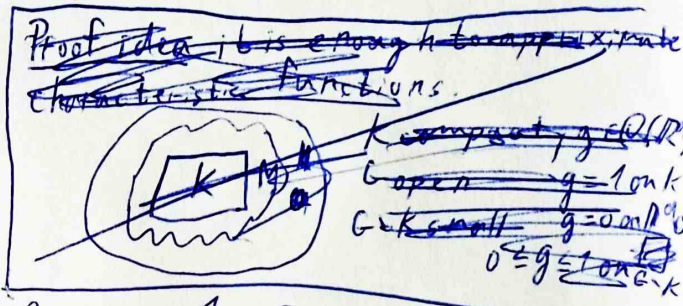
Choose $0 < \delta < \frac{d}{2}$ and put $f_4(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \max\left\{1 - \frac{1}{\delta} \text{dist}(x, K_i), 0\right\}$.

Then $f_4 \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and $f_4 = f_3$ on K_1, \dots, K_n , and

$f_4 \neq f_3$ only on δ -neigh neighborhood of K_i .

So for δ small we have $\|f_4 - f_3\| < \varepsilon$.

Altogether, $\|f - f_4\| < 3\varepsilon$. \square

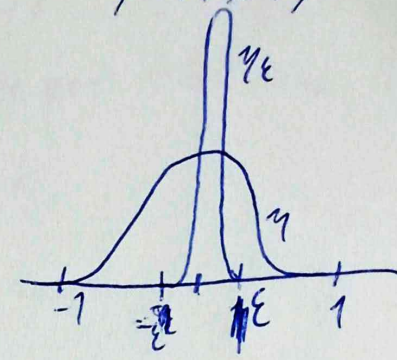


Notation If $|\Omega| < \infty$, we write $\int_{\Omega} f := \frac{1}{|\Omega|} \int_{\Omega} f$.
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 Lebesgue measure.

Theorem (Lebesgue points) Let $f \in L^1_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^d)$. Then a.e. $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ is a Lebesgue point, i.e. it satisfies $\lim_{r \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{B(x,r)} |f(y) - f(x)| dy = 0$.

Proof See Real Analysis course (uses Hardy-Littlewood maximal operator).

Definition (Mollification kernel) Let $\eta(x) = \begin{cases} C \cdot e^{-\frac{1}{|x|^2-1}}, & |x| < 1 \\ 0, & |x| \geq 1 \end{cases}$
 where $C = \frac{1}{\int_{B(0,1)} e^{-\frac{1}{|x|^2-1}}}$. For $\varepsilon > 0$ put $\eta_\varepsilon(x) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \eta\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right)$.



Then $\eta \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$

$\text{supp } \eta \subset \overline{B(0,1)}$

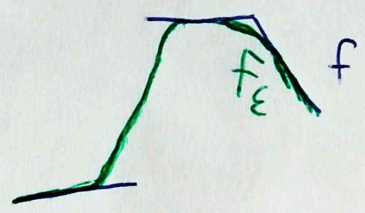
$(\Rightarrow \text{supp } \eta_\varepsilon \subset \overline{B(0,\varepsilon)})$

$\eta \geq 0$

$|x|=|y| \Rightarrow \eta(x)=\eta(y)$

$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \eta = 1$

$(\Rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \eta_\varepsilon = 1)$



Theorem (smoothing of L^p functions). Let $f \in L^1_{loc}(\Omega)$, Define $f=0$ on $\mathbb{R}^d \setminus \Omega$. Denote $f_\varepsilon := f * \eta_\varepsilon$, i.e. $f_\varepsilon(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(y) \eta(x-y) dy$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$

Then (i) $f_\varepsilon \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$

(ii) $f_\varepsilon \rightarrow f$ a.e. in Ω .

(iii) $f \in C^k(G)$, $G \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ open $\Rightarrow f_\varepsilon \xrightarrow{loc} f$ on G . [i.e. $f_\varepsilon \rightarrow f \forall K \subset G$ compact]

(iv) $f \in L^p(\Omega) \Rightarrow f_\varepsilon \rightarrow f$ in $L^p(\Omega)$.

Proof Notice that after extending by 0 we still have $f \in L^1_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^d)$, so f_ε is well defined.

(i) $f_\varepsilon(x) = \int_{B(x,\varepsilon)} f(y) \eta_\varepsilon(x-y) dy$, we can differentiate the integral w.r.t. parameter x_i , we get $\frac{\partial f_\varepsilon}{\partial x_i}(x) = \int_{B(x,\varepsilon)} f(y) \frac{\partial \eta_\varepsilon}{\partial x_i}(x-y) dy$.
 We can continue indefinitely.

(ii) Let x be a Lebesgue point of f . Then

$$\begin{aligned} |f_\varepsilon(x) - f(x)| &\leq \int_{B(x,\varepsilon)} |f(x) - f(y)| \eta_\varepsilon(x-y) dy = \frac{1}{\varepsilon^d} \int_{B(x,\varepsilon)} |\eta\left(\frac{x-y}{\varepsilon}\right)| |f(x) - f(y)| dy \\ &\stackrel{\text{Hölder}}{\leq} |B(x,\varepsilon)| \cdot \|\eta\|_\infty \int_{B(x,\varepsilon)} |f(x) - f(y)| dy \quad \varepsilon > 0 \end{aligned}$$

(iii) Let $K \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ compact. Find $K \subset V \subset \subset G$, V open.
 (V compact, $V \subset G$.)

Then f is uniformly continuous on V , from which we get that the

limit $\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{B(x, \epsilon)} |f(x) - f(y)| dy = 0$ is uniform in $x \in K$.

Using the same inequality as in (ii) concludes the proof.

(iv) For $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)$ we first show that $\|f_\epsilon\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)} \leq \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)}$. (*) :

$$\|f_\epsilon\|_p^p = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \|f \cdot \eta_\epsilon(x - \cdot)\|_1^p dx \stackrel{\text{Hölder}}{\leq} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \underbrace{\|\eta_\epsilon(x - \cdot)\|_1^{1/p}}_{=1}^p \cdot \|\eta_\epsilon(x - \cdot)\|_1^{1/p} \|f\|_p^p dx$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \eta_\epsilon(x-y) |f(y)|^p dy dx \stackrel{\text{Fubini}}{=} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f(y)|^p \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \eta_\epsilon(x-y) dx dy = \|f\|_p^p$$

Now, for $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)$ find $g \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^d)$, $\|f - g\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)} < \delta$.

$$\|f - f_\epsilon\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)} \leq \underbrace{\|f - g\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)}}_{< \delta} + \underbrace{\|g - g_\epsilon\|_{L^p(V)}}_{\xrightarrow{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} 0} + \underbrace{\|g_\epsilon - f_\epsilon\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)}}_{\leq \|g - f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)} < \delta}$$

$$\Rightarrow \limsup_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \|f - f_\epsilon\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)} < 2\delta \quad \forall \delta > 0.$$

$\forall \text{supp } g \text{ open, } V \text{ compact}$
 $g_\epsilon \xrightarrow{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} g \text{ on } V.$

□

Remark This cannot hold for $p = \infty$, because convergence of continuous functions in L^∞ is uniform convergence.

(Thus $\overline{C_c(\mathbb{R}^d)}^{L^\infty} \subset C(\mathbb{R}^d)$.)

Example of a PDE: eigenvalues of the Laplacian

Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ be open. Recall that for $u: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ we have the Laplace operator

$$\Delta u = \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_i^2}.$$

We have the Laplace equation

$$\Delta u = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega$$

or the Poisson equation

$$-\Delta u = f \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad \text{for } f \text{ given.}$$

We can also prescribe boundary conditions, such as

$$u = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega \quad (\text{Dirichlet b.c.})$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial n} = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega \quad (\text{Neumann b.c.})$$

\hat{n} normal derivative - normal to $\partial\Omega$ has to be defined

and if Ω is unbounded, some growth condition at ∞ .

General principle: $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{equation in } \Omega \\ \text{data on } \partial\Omega \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \text{solution in } \Omega.$

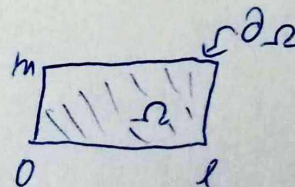
Classical theory of PDE: explicit solutions only in special cases
(i.e. Laplace on ball, half space, entire space, ...)

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HW 1

Example Let us solve the eigenvalue problem for Laplace
(also called Helmholtz equation) in a rectangle:

$$-\Delta u = \lambda u \quad \text{in } \Omega := [0, l] \times [0, m]$$

$$u = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega$$



Solution by separation of variables:

Suppose that $u(x,y) = X(x) \cdot Y(y)$.

Then the equation becomes $X'' Y + X Y'' = \lambda X Y$

$$X(0) = X(l) = Y(0) = Y(l) = 0.$$

Formally compute $\frac{X''}{X} = \lambda - \frac{Y''}{Y} =: \mu \in \mathbb{R}$
 \uparrow independent of y \uparrow independent of x

$\Rightarrow X'' = \mu X$... has solution only if $\mu = \left(\frac{j\pi}{l}\right)^2$, $j \in \mathbb{N}$
 $X(0) = X(l) = 0$ $X(x) = \sin\left(\frac{j\pi}{l}x\right)$.

similarly $Y'' = \left(\lambda - \left(\frac{j\pi}{l}\right)^2\right) Y \Rightarrow \lambda - \left(\frac{j\pi}{l}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{k\pi}{m}\right)^2$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$
 $Y(0) = Y(m) = 0$ $Y(y) = \sin\left(\frac{k\pi}{m}y\right)$.

\Rightarrow eigenvalues $\lambda_{jk} = \left(\frac{j\pi}{l}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{k\pi}{m}\right)^2$, $j, k \in \mathbb{N}$

corresponding eigenfunctions $\varphi_{jk}(x,y) = \sin\left(\frac{j\pi}{l}x\right) \sin\left(\frac{k\pi}{m}y\right)$

Remark $\varphi_{j,k}$ are orthogonal in $L^2(\Omega)$:

$$\begin{aligned} (\varphi_{j_1 k_1}, \varphi_{j_2 k_2})_{L^2} &= \int_{\Omega} \varphi_{j_1 k_1}(x,y) \varphi_{j_2 k_2}(x,y) d(x,y) = \int_0^l \underbrace{\sin\left(\frac{j_1 \pi}{l}x\right) \sin\left(\frac{j_2 \pi}{l}x\right)}_{= \frac{1}{2}(\cos\left(\frac{j_1 - j_2}{l}x\right) - \cos\left(\frac{j_1 + j_2}{l}x\right))} dx \cdot \\ &\cdot \int_0^m \underbrace{\sin\left(\frac{k_1 \pi}{m}y\right) \sin\left(\frac{k_2 \pi}{m}y\right)}_{= \frac{1}{2}(\cos\left(\frac{k_1 - k_2}{m}y\right) - \cos\left(\frac{k_1 + k_2}{m}y\right))} dy = 0 \text{ if } j_1 \neq j_2 \text{ or } k_1 \neq k_2. \end{aligned}$$

This is no coincidence, in fact $\{\varphi_{j,k}; j, k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is an orthogonal basis of $L^2(\Omega)$, since:

Theorem Let H be separable Hilbert space, $K: H \rightarrow H$ linear, compact, self-adjoint. Then there exists a countable basis of H formed by eigenvectors of K .

The "solution operator $\Delta^{-1}: L^2(\Omega) \rightarrow L^2(\Omega)$ " satisfies the assumptions (we will see later)

Attention! boundary conditions are a part of the operator.

For instance, for ~~Dirichlet~~ Neumann b.c. $\frac{\partial u}{\partial n} = 0$ on $\partial\Omega$,
the eigenfunctions would be $\varphi_{jk} = \cos\left(\frac{j\pi}{2}x\right) \cos\left(\frac{k\pi}{2}y\right)$.