

98. A Convergence Theorem in Measurable Function Spaces of Concave Type^{*)}

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1. L. Schwarz has shown that in $L^p(\Omega, \mu)$ ($0 \leq p < +\infty$) for every C -sequence its sum is convergent [3]. In this note, we shall show that this fact is true in some type of measurable function spaces. Let L be a measurable function space (topological vector space) with a linear topology \mathcal{T} . A sequence $f_n \in L$ ($n=1, 2, \dots$) is called C -sequence in L if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n f_n$ converges with respect to \mathcal{T} for all sequences of real numbers $\{c_n\}$ which tend to 0.

Now, we shall consider some class of function spaces which includes L^p ($0 \leq p \leq 1$).

2. Let Ω be a measure space with measure μ where Ω is a union of mutually disjoint measurable set A_λ ($\lambda \in \Lambda$) with finite measure and every measurable set of finite measure is contained in at most countable union from A_λ ($\lambda \in \Lambda$). Let \mathcal{M} be the set of all measurable functions.

Let m be a functional on \mathcal{M} with the following conditions.

- (1) $0 \leq m(f) \leq +\infty$ for $f \in \mathcal{M}$.
- (2) $|f| \leq |g|$ a.e. $\Rightarrow m(f) \leq m(g)$.
- (3) $m(f) = 0$ if and only if $f = 0$ a.e.
- (4) $\inf(f, g) = 0$ i.e. $f \cap g = 0 \Rightarrow m(f+g) = m(f) + m(g)$.
- (5) $0 \leq f_n \uparrow, \sup_n m(f_n) < +\infty \Rightarrow m(f) = \sup_n m(f_n)$ for $f = \sup_n f_n$.
- (6) $m(\alpha_n f) \rightarrow 0$ as $\alpha_n \rightarrow 0$ for every f with $m(f) < +\infty$.
- (7) $m(\alpha f) \geq \alpha m(f)$ for $1 \geq \alpha \geq 0$.
- (8) $m(\chi_E) < +\infty$ for every characteristic function χ_E of E with $\mu(E) < +\infty$.

We shall consider a subset of \mathcal{M} : $L_m = \{f \in \mathcal{M}, m(f) < +\infty\}$. We shall identify f and g if $f = g$ a.e. in L_m . If $m(f) = \int |f|^p d\mu$ ($0 < p \leq 1$), then L_m coincides with L^p . If $\Omega = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i$ (disjoint union) ($0 < \mu(A_i) < +\infty$ for all $i=1, 2, \dots$) and $m(f) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^i \mu(A_i)} \int_{A_i} \frac{|f|}{1+|f|} d\mu$, then L_m is the space of all measurable functions (essentially finite). In this case, (5) must be changed.

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Abstract form of L_m is considered by Nakano [2].

3. Lemma 1. *There exists a function $M(t, \omega)$ of two variables of real $t \geq 0$ and $\omega \in \Omega$ such that*

- 1 $M(t, \omega)$ is a non-negative measurable function of ω for a fixed $t \geq 0$ with $M(0, \omega) = 0$,
- 2 $M(t, \omega)$ is a continuous function of $t \geq 0$ for a.e. $\omega \in \Omega$,
- 3 $M(\alpha, \omega) \geq M(\beta, \omega)$ for $\alpha \geq \beta \geq 0$ a.e. $\omega \in \Omega$,
- 4 $M(\alpha + \beta, \omega) \leq M(\alpha, \omega) + M(\beta, \omega)$ for a.e. $\omega \in \Omega$ ($\alpha \geq 0, \beta \geq 0$),
- 5 $m(f) = \int M(|f(\omega)|, \omega) d\mu$.

Since m is an additive functional of L_m , Lemma 1 is essentially proved in [1] by virtue of Radon-Nikodym's theorem and Conditions (1)~(7).

Lemma 2. $m(f+g) \leq m(f) + m(g)$ for $f, g \in L_m$.

This lemma is a direct consequence of Lemma 1.

Lemma 3. L_m is a topological vector space with the topology by m (sequential topology).

This lemma follows from Lemma 2 and (6). Moreover the topology by m is complete by (5) and (6).

Remark. L_m is not locally convex in general. It may happen that the dual of L_m consists of only zero element.

Lemma 4. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m(f_n - f) = 0$ implies that f_n converges to f in measure in every measurable set of finite measure.

Proof. For a measurable set E with finite measure and $\delta > 0$, there exist a positive number α and a measurable set A such that $\mu(A) < \delta$ and $\alpha \leq M(1, \omega) < +\infty$ for $\omega \in E - A$ by Lemma 1 and (8). Hence, for $1 > \varepsilon > 0$ and $g \in L_m$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(\omega \in E, |g(\omega)| > \varepsilon) &\leq \alpha \int_{|g| > \varepsilon} M\left(\frac{|g(\omega)|}{\varepsilon}, \omega\right) d\mu + \delta \\ &\leq \alpha m\left(\frac{g}{\varepsilon}\right) + \delta \leq \frac{\alpha}{\varepsilon} m(g) + \delta. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $m(f_n) \rightarrow 0$ implies $\mu(\omega \in E, |f_n(\omega)| > \varepsilon) \rightarrow 0$ for $\varepsilon > 0$. This proves Lemma 4.

Lemma 5. *If $\{f_n\}$ is a C-sequence of L_m , then f_n converges to 0 a.e. on every measurable set of finite measure.*

This lemma is proved by Lemma 4 and the result of Kolmogorov-Khintchin (cf. [3]).

Theorem. *If $\{f_n\}$ is a C-sequence of L_m , then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n$ is convergent.*

Proof. Suppose that $m(f_n) \geq \delta > 0$ for all $f_n \in L_m$ ($n=1, 2, \dots$) and f_n converges to 0 a.e. on every measurable set of finite measure. For f_1 , we choose some measurable set F with $\mu(F) < +\infty$ such that

$m(f_1\chi_F) \geq \frac{\delta}{2}$. We can find $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $m(f_1\chi_{E_0}) \leq \frac{\delta}{4}$ for $\mu(E_0) < \varepsilon$, $E_0 \subset F$. Since f_n converges to 0 a.e. on F , there exists E with $\mu(E) < \varepsilon$ such that f_n converges uniformly on $F - E$ (by Egoroff's theorem) and $m(f_1\chi_E) \leq \frac{\delta}{4}$. For $E_1 = F - E$, we have $m(f_1\chi_{E_1}) \geq \frac{\delta}{4}$.

Since $\{f_n\}$ converges uniformly on E_1 , we can find f_{n_2} such that $m(f_{n_2}\chi_{E_1}) \leq \frac{\delta}{4}$ by (6) and (8). By the same argument as above, there exists E_2 with $\mu(E_2) < +\infty$ and $E_1 \cap E_2 = \phi$ such that $m(f_{n_2}\chi_{E_2}) \geq \frac{\delta}{4}$ and $\{f_n\}$ converges uniformly on E_2 .

Hence, by induction we can choose a sequence of numbers $1 = n_1 < n_2 < \dots$ and mutually disjoint measurable sets with finite measure E_1, E_2, \dots such that

$$m(f_{n_k}\chi_{E_k}) \geq \frac{\delta}{4} \quad (k=1, 2, \dots).$$

By (4) and (7), we have

$$\begin{aligned} m\left(\sum_{k=1}^l \frac{1}{k} f_{n_k}\right) &\geq m\left(\sum_{k=1}^l \frac{1}{k} f_{n_k}\chi_{E_k}\right) \geq \sum_{k=1}^l \frac{1}{k} m(f_{n_k}\chi_{E_k}) \\ &\geq \frac{\delta}{4} \sum_{k=1}^l \frac{1}{k} \quad \text{for all } l=1, 2, \dots \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\{f_{n_k}\}$ is not a C -sequence. This prove that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m(f_n) = 0$ for a C -sequence $\{f_n\}$ by Lemma 5. It is easy to see that if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m(f_n) = 0$, then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n$ is convergent for a C -sequence $\{f_n\}$ (cf. [3]).

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