

Unit IV L^p -spaces, convex functions, Jensen's inequality, Holder and Minkowski inequality, completeness of L^p .

The L^p spaces:

If $[X, \mathcal{S}, \mu]$ is a measure space¹ and $p > 0$ we define $L^p(\mu)$ or $L^p(X, \mu)$ to be the class of functions $\{f : \int |f|^p d\mu < \infty\}$.

* Any two functions equal almost everywhere specify the same element of $L^p(\mu)$.

eg On the real line if $X = (a, b)$ and μ is Lebesgue measure and $\mathcal{S}$ is the collection of all Lebesgue measurable sets then $[X, \mathcal{S}, \mu]$ is a measurable² space.

[From page 102 - 105, write all the definitions and the statement of theorems, they will be needed to understand this unit].

* i.e. $f \in L^p(\mu) \Rightarrow f$ is measurable and

$$\int |f|^p d\mu < \infty.$$

Definition 2 L^p -norm.

Let $f \in L^p(\mu)$ then the L^p -norm of f , denoted by $\|f\|_p$ is given by

$$\left(\int |f|^p d\mu \right)^{1/p}.$$

1 $\rightarrow$ see page number 102, definition 8, 9.

2) See definition 12, 13 and 14 in page 105

* ① if f and g are measurable and $f = g$ a.e. then $\|f\|_p = \|g\|_p$.

② $\|f\|_p = 0$ if and only if f is the zero element of $L^p(M)$.

③ $\|af\| = |a| \|f\|$ if a is a constant.

Theorem 1 let $f, g \in L^p(M)$ and let a, b be constants then $af + bg \in L^p(M)$.

Proof Given, $f, g \in L^p(M)$ and a and b are constants.

claim $af \in L^p(M)$.

Since $f \in L^p(M)$

$$\Rightarrow \int |f|^p dM < \infty.$$

and a is finite constant.

$$\Rightarrow |a|^p \int |f|^p dM < \infty.$$

$$\Rightarrow \int |af|^p dM < \infty.$$

$$\therefore af \in L^p(M) \text{ --- (1)}$$

claim $f + g \in L^p(M)$.

Given

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

since $|f|^p < \infty$ and $|g|^p < \infty$ [as $f, g \in L^p(M)$]

$$\Rightarrow |f+g|^p < \infty.$$

$$\therefore f+g \in L^p(M) \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

from (i) & (ii) it may be concluded that
 $a f + b g \in L^p(M)$.

★ The above theorem shows that
 $L^p(M)$ is a vector space.

Definition 3: If $[X, \mathcal{S}, \mu]$ is a measure space
we define $L^\infty(X, \mu)$ or just $L^\infty(M)$ to be the class
of measurable functions $\{f: \text{ess sup } |f| < \infty\}$
and $\|f\|_\infty = \text{ess sup } |f|$.

Example show that $L^\infty(X, \mu)$ is a vector space
over the real numbers.

Proof It is enough to show that if $f, g \in L^\infty(X, \mu)$
then $a f + b g \in L^\infty(X, \mu) \quad \forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$.

Sing Since, $f, g \in L^\infty(X, \mu)$

$$\|f\|_\infty < \infty \quad \text{ess sup } |f| < \infty \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\& \quad \text{ess sup } |g| < \infty \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

$$\text{no, } |af + bg| \leq |a| \operatorname{ess\,sup} |f| + |b| \operatorname{ess\,sup} |g|$$

$$\text{-e. } |af + bg| < \infty \quad [\text{from ① \& ②}]$$

$$\text{ss } \operatorname{ess\,sup} [af + bg] < \infty.$$

$$\therefore af + bg \in L^{\infty}(X, M),$$