

Formalising Mathematics

Project 1

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Introduction

For the first project in *Formalising Mathematics*, I decided to formalise a result from measure theory known as Egorov's theorem. Egorov's theorem is a useful result establishing a relation between convergence almost everywhere and uniform convergence. In particular, Egorov's theorem states that a sequence of almost everywhere convergent functions converge uniformly everywhere except on an arbitrarily small set.

Egorov's theorem is used to prove the Vitali convergence theorem (a generalisation of the monotone convergence theorem for uniformly integrable functions) and is also useful to simplify more elementary results such as convergence almost everywhere implies convergence in measure.

Formalisation of Egorov's Theorem

We will in this section outline the proof of Egorov's theorem and comment on the formalisation effort. For the remainder of this document, let us assume α is a measure space with measure μ and β is a second-countable metric space.

Theorem 1 (Egorov's Theorem). If $(f_n : \alpha \rightarrow \beta)_{n=0}^\infty$ is a sequence of measurable functions which converge almost everywhere on a set $s \subseteq \alpha$ of finite measure to $g : \alpha \rightarrow \beta$, then, for any $\epsilon > 0$, there exists some $t \subseteq s$ with measure $\mu(t) \leq \epsilon$ and f_n converges uniformly to g on $s \setminus t$.

Proof. Let $\epsilon > 0$ and for $i, j \geq 1$, define

$$C_{ij} := \bigcup_{k=j}^{\infty} \{x \in s \mid |f_k(x) - g(x)| > i^{-1}\}.$$

Since C_{ij} is measurable with finite measure and $C_{i,j+1} \subseteq C_{i,j}$, by the continuity of measures from above, we have

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \mu(C_{ij}) = \mu \left(\bigcap_{j=1}^{\infty} C_{ij} \right) = 0.$$

Now, since f_k converges to g almost everywhere, by the definition of limits, there exists a subsequence $(C_{i,J(i)})$ such that $\mu(C_{i,J(i)}) < \epsilon 2^{-i}$. Then, by defining

$$t := \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} C_{i,J(i)},$$

we have

$$\mu(s \setminus t) = \mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} C_{i,J(i)}\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(C_{i,J(i)}) < \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \epsilon 2^{-i} = \epsilon.$$

Now, by construction, the elements of t are namely the elements x which $|f_k(x) - g(x)|$ converges slower than i^{-1} , the elements in $s \setminus t$ converges at a speed uniform bounded above by i^{-1} , and hence, f converges to g uniformly on $s \setminus t$ as required. \square

In Lean, this statement is represented by

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  (hf :  $\forall n$ , measurable (f n)) (hg : measurable g)
  (hfg :  $\forall^m x \ \partial \mu$ , tendsto ( $\lambda n$ , f n x) at_top ( $\mathcal{N}$  (g x)))
  { $\epsilon$  :  $\mathbb{R}$ } (h $\epsilon$  :  $0 < \epsilon$ ) :
 $\exists t$ , measurable_set t  $\wedge \mu t \leq \text{ennreal.of\_real } \epsilon \wedge$ 
  tendsto_uniformly_on f g at_top tc

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