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Overview

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Equicontinuous Families of Functions

Definition

Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of functions defined on a set E .

- ▶ We say that $\{f_n\}$ is pointwise bounded on E if for every $x \in E$, there exists a finite-valued function ϕ defined on E such that

$$|f_n(x)| < \phi(x)$$

for all $x \in E$.

- ▶ We say that $\{f_n\}$ is uniformly bounded on E if there exists a number M such that

$$|f_n(x)| < M$$

for all $x \in E$.

Equicontinuous Families of Functions

Example

Let $f_n(x) = \sin nx$ for $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$ and for all n . Then there is no convergent subsequence.

Example

Let $f_n(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2 + (1-nx)^2}$ for $0 \leq x \leq 1$. Then $\{f_n\}$ is uniformly bounded on $[0, 1]$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = 0$ for all x but $f_n\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) = 1$ for all n . So there is no subsequence converging uniformly on $[0, 1]$.

Equicontinuous Families of Functions

Definition

A family \mathcal{F} of complex functions f defined on a set E in a metric space X is said to be equicontinuous on E if for every $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that

$$|f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$$

whenever $d(x, y) < \delta$, $x, y \in E$, and $f \in \mathcal{F}$.

Equicontinuous Families of Functions

Theorem

If $\{f_n\}$ is a pointwise bounded sequence of complex functions on a countable set E , then $\{f_n\}$ has a subsequence $\{f_{n_k}\}$ such that $\{f_{n_k}(x)\}$ converges for every $x \in E$.

Equicontinuous Families of Functions

Theorem

If K is a compact metric space, if $f_n \in \mathcal{C}(K)$ for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ and if $\{f_n\}$ converges uniformly on K , then $\{f_n\}$ is equicontinuous on K .

Equicontinuous Families of Functions

Theorem

If K is compact, if $f_n \in \mathcal{C}(K)$ for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, and if $\{f_n\}$ is pointwise bounded and equicontinuous on K , then

- (a) $\{f_n\}$ is uniformly bounded on K ,
- (b) $\{f_n\}$ contains a uniformly convergent subsequence.

Exercises

Ex 7.1

Prove that every uniformly convergent sequence of bounded function is uniformly bounded.

Exercises

Ex 7.11

Suppose $\{f_n\}, \{g_n\}$ are defined on E , and

- (a) $\sum f_n$ has uniformly bounded partial sums;
- (b) $g_n \rightarrow 0$ uniformly on E ;
- (c) $g_1(x) \geq g_2(x) \geq g_3(x) \geq \cdots$ for every $x \in E$.

Prove that $\sum f_n g_n$ converges uniformly on E .

Exercises

Ex 7.13

Assume that $\{f_n\}$ is a sequence of monotonically increasing functions on \mathbb{R} with $0 \leq f_n(x) \leq 1$ for all x and all n .

(a) Prove that there is a function f and a sequence $\{n_k\}$ such that

$$f(x) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f_{n_k}(x)$$

for every $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

(b) If, moreover, f is continuous, prove that $f_{n_k} \rightarrow f$ uniformly on compact sets.

Exercises

Ex 7.15

Suppose f is a real continuous function on \mathbb{R} , $f_n(t) = f(nt)$ for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, and $\{f_n\}$ is equicontinuous on $[0, 1]$. What conclusion can you draw about f ?

Exercises

Ex 7.16

Suppose $\{f_n\}$ is an equicontinuous sequence of functions on a compact set K , and $\{f_n\}$ converges pointwise on K . Prove that $\{f_n\}$ converges uniformly on K .

Exercises

Ex 7.17

- ▶ Define the notions of uniform convergence and equicontinuity for mappings into any metric space.
- ▶ Theorems 7.9 and 7.12 are valid for mappings into any metric space.
- ▶ Theorems 7.8 and 7.11 are valid for mappings into any complete metric space.
- ▶ Theorems 7.10, 7.16, 7.17, 7.24 and 7.25 hold for vector-valued functions, that is, for mappings into any \mathbb{R}^k .

Exercises

Definition

We say that a sequence of functions $\{f_n\}$ converges uniformly on E to a function f if for every $\epsilon > 0$, there is an integer N such that $n \geq N$ implies

$$|f_n(x) - f(x)| \leq \epsilon$$

for all $x \in E$.

Theorem (7.9)

Suppose

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = f(x) \quad (x \in E).$$

Put

Theorem (7.12)

If $\{f_n\}$ is a sequence of continuous functions on E , and if $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on E , then f is continuous on E .

Exercises

Theorem (7.8)

The sequence of functions $\{f_n\}$, defined on E , converges uniformly on E if and only if for every $\epsilon > 0$ there exists an integer N such that $m, n \geq N$, $x \in E$ implies

$$|f_n(x) - f_m(x)| \leq \epsilon.$$

Theorem (7.11)

Suppose $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on a set E in a metric space. Let x be a limit point of E , and suppose that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow x} f_n(t) = A_n.$$

Then $\{A_n\}$ converges, and

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow x} f(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n.$$

Exercises

Theorem (7.10)

Suppose $\{f_n\}$ is a sequence of functions defined on E , and suppose

$$|f_n(x)| \leq M_n.$$

Then $\sum f_n$ converges uniformly on E if $\sum M_n$ converges.

Theorem (7.16)

Let α be monotonically increasing on $[a, b]$. Suppose $f_n \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ on $[a, b]$, and suppose $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on $[a, b]$. Then $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ and

$$\int_a^b f \, d\alpha = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b f_n \, d\alpha.$$

Theorem (7.17)

Suppose $\{f_n\}$ is a sequence of functions, differentiable on $[a, b]$ and such that $\{f_n(x_0)\}$ converges for some x_0 on $[a, b]$. If $\{f'_n\}$ converges uniformly on $[a, b]$, then $\{f_n\}$ converges uniformly on $[a, b]$, to a function f , and

$$f'(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f'_n(x).$$

Exercises

Theorem (7.24)

If K is a compact metric space, if $f_n \in \mathcal{C}(K)$ for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ and if $\{f_n\}$ converges uniformly on K , then $\{f_n\}$ is equicontinuous on K .

Theorem (7.25)

If K is compact, if $f_n \in \mathcal{C}(K)$ for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, and if $\{f_n\}$ is pointwise bounded and equicontinuous on K , then

- (a) $\{f_n\}$ is uniformly bounded on K ,*
- (b) $\{f_n\}$ contains a uniformly convergent subsequence.*

Exercises

Ex 7.18

Let $\{f_n\}$ be a uniformly bounded sequence of functions which are Riemann-integrable on $[a, b]$, and put

$$F_n(x) = \int_a^x f_n(t) dt \quad (a \leq x \leq b).$$

Prove that there exists a subsequence $\{F_{n_k}\}$ which converges uniformly on $[a, b]$.

Exercises

Ex 7.19

Let K be a compact metric space, let S be a subset of $\mathcal{C}(K)$. Prove that S is compact if and only if S is uniformly closed, pointwise bounded, and equicontinuous.

The Stone-Weierstrass Theorem

Theorem

If f is a continuous complex function on $[a, b]$, there exists a sequence of polynomial P_n such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_n(x) = f(x)$$

uniformly on $[a, b]$. If f is real, the P_n may be taken real.

The Stone-Weierstrass Theorem

Proof, Step 1

We may assume that $[a, b] = [0, 1]$ and $f(0) = f(1) = 0$. Furthermore, we define $f(x) = 0$ for $x \notin [0, 1]$. Put $Q_n(x) = c_n(1 - x^2)^n$ where c_n satisfies

$$\int_{-1}^1 Q_n(x) \, dx = 1.$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-1}^1 (1 - x^2)^n \, dx &= 2 \int_0^1 (1 - x^2)^n \, dx \geq 2 \int_0^{1/\sqrt{n}} (1 - x^2)^n \, dx \\ &\geq 2 \int_0^{1/\sqrt{n}} (1 - nx^2) \, dx = \frac{4}{3\sqrt{n}} > \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}, \end{aligned}$$

$$c_n < \sqrt{n}.$$

The Stone-Weierstrass Theorem

Proof, Step 2

For any $\delta > 0$, we have

$$Q_n(x) \leq \sqrt{n}(1 - \delta^2)^n \quad \delta \leq |x| \leq 1,$$

so that $Q_n \rightarrow 0$ uniformly on $\delta \leq |x| \leq 1$.

Set

$$P_n(x) = \int_{-1}^1 f(x+t)Q_n(t) dt \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1.$$

By a simple change of variable,

$$P_n(x) = \int_{-x}^{1-x} f(x+t)Q_n(t) dt = \int_0^1 f(t)Q_n(t-x) dt,$$

and the last integral is clearly a polynomial in x . Thus $\{P_n\}$ is a sequence of polynomials, which are real if f is real.

The Stone-Weierstrass Theorem

Proof, Step 3

Given $\epsilon > 0$, we choose $\delta > 0$ such that $|y - x| < \delta$ implies $|f(y) - f(x)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$. Let $M = \sup |f(x)|$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} |P_n(x) - f(x)| &= \left| \int_{-1}^1 [f(x+t) - f(x)] Q_n(t) dt \right| \\ &\leq \int_{-1}^1 |f(x+t) - f(x)| Q_n(t) dt \\ &\leq 2M \int_{-1}^{-\delta} Q_n(t) dt + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} Q_n(t) dt + 2M \int_{\delta}^1 Q_n(t) dt \\ &\leq 4M\sqrt{n}(1-\delta^2)^n + \frac{\epsilon}{2} < \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

□

The Stone-Weierstrass Theorem

Corollary

For every interval $[-a, a]$, there is a sequence of real polynomials P_n such that $P_n(0) = 0$ and such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_n(x) = |x|$$

uniformly on $[-a, a]$.

The Stone-Weierstrass Theorem

Definition

- ▶ A family \mathcal{A} of complex functions defined on a set E is said to be an algebra if for all $f, g \in \mathcal{A}$ and for all $c \in \mathbb{C}$,
 - (i) $f + g \in \mathcal{A}$;
 - (ii) $fg \in \mathcal{A}$;
 - (iii) $cf \in \mathcal{A}$.
- ▶ If \mathcal{A} has the property that $f \in \mathcal{A}$ whenever $f_n \in \mathcal{A}$ and $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on E , then \mathcal{A} is said to be uniformly closed.
- ▶ Let \mathcal{B} be the set of all functions which are limits of uniformly convergent sequences of members of \mathcal{A} . Then \mathcal{B} is called the uniform closure of \mathcal{A} .

Example

The set of all polynomials is an algebra, and the Weierstrass theorem may be stated by saying that the set of continuous on $[a, b]$ is the uniform closure of the set of polynomials on $[a, b]$.

The Stone-Weierstrass Theorem

Theorem

Let \mathcal{B} be the uniform closure of an algebra \mathcal{A} of bounded functions. Then \mathcal{B} is a uniformly closed algebra.

The Stone-Weierstrass Theorem

Definition

- ▶ Let \mathcal{A} be a family of functions on a set E . Then \mathcal{A} is said to separate points on E if every pair of distinct points $x_1, x_2 \in E$ there corresponds a function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ such that $f(x_1) \neq f(x_2)$.
- ▶ If to each $x \in E$ there corresponds a function $g \in \mathcal{A}$ such that $g(x) \neq 0$, we say that \mathcal{A} vanishes at no point of E .

Example

- ▶ The algebra of all polynomials in one variable has these properties on \mathbb{R} .
- ▶ An algebra of all even polynomials does not separate points.

The Stone-Weierstrass Theorem

Theorem

Suppose \mathcal{A} is an algebra of functions on a set E , \mathcal{A} separates points on E , and \mathcal{A} vanishes at no point of E . Suppose x_1, x_2 are distinct points of E , and c_1, c_2 are constants (real if \mathcal{A} is a real algebra). Then \mathcal{A} contains a function f such that

$$f(x_1) = c_1, \quad f(x_2) = c_2.$$

The Stone-Weierstrass Theorem

Theorem

Let \mathcal{A} be an algebra of real continuous functions on a compact set K . If \mathcal{A} separates on K and if \mathcal{A} vanishes at no point of K , then the uniform closure \mathcal{B} of \mathcal{A} consists of all real continuous functions on K .

The Stone-Weierstrass Theorem

Step 1

If $f \in \mathcal{B}$, then $|f| \in \mathcal{B}$.

The Stone-Weierstrass Theorem

Step 2

If $f, g \in \mathcal{B}$, then $\max(f, g), \min(f, g) \in \mathcal{B}$.

The Stone-Weierstrass Theorem

Step 3

Given a real function f , continuous on K , a point $x \in K$, and $\epsilon > 0$, there exists a function $g_x \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $g_x(x) = f(x)$ and

$$g_x(t) > f(t) - \epsilon \quad t \in K.$$

The Stone-Weierstrass Theorem

Step 4

Given a real function f , continuous on K , and $\epsilon > 0$, there exists a function $h \in \mathcal{B}$ such that

$$|h(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon \quad x \in K.$$

Since \mathcal{B} is uniformly closed, this statement is equivalent to the conclusion of the theorem.

The Stone-Weierstrass Theorem

Definition

A complex algebra \mathcal{A} is said to be self-adjoint if for every $f \in \mathcal{A}$, $\bar{f} \in \mathcal{A}$, where $\bar{f}(x) = \overline{f(x)}$.

Theorem

Suppose \mathcal{A} is a self-adjoint algebra of complex continuous functions on a compact set K , \mathcal{A} separates points on K , and \mathcal{A} vanishes at no point of K . Then the uniform closure \mathcal{B} of \mathcal{A} consists of all complex continuous functions on K . In other words, \mathcal{A} is dense in $\mathcal{C}(K)$.

Exercises

Ex 7.20

If f is continuous on $[0, 1]$ and if

$$\int_0^1 f(x)x^n dx = 0 \quad (n = 0, 1, 2, \dots),$$

prove that $f(x) = 0$ on $[0, 1]$.

Exercises

Ex 7.21

Let K be the unit circle in the complex plane, and let \mathcal{A} be the algebra of all functions of the form

$$f(e^{i\theta}) = \sum_{n=0}^N c_n e^{in\theta} \quad (\theta \text{ real}).$$

Then \mathcal{A} separates points on K and \mathcal{A} vanishes at no point of K , but nevertheless there are continuous on K which are not in the uniform closure of \mathcal{A} .

Exercises

Ex 7.22

Assume $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ on $[a, b]$, and prove that there are polynomials P_n such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b |f - P_n|^2 d\alpha = 0.$$

Exercises

Ex 7.23

Put $P_0 = 0$, and define, for $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$,

$$P_{n+1}(x) = P_n(x) + \frac{x^2 - P_n^2(x)}{2}.$$

Prove that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_n(x) = |x|,$$

uniformly on $[-1, 1]$.

Exercises

Ex 7.24

Let X be a metric space, with metric d . Fix a point $a \in X$. Assign to each $p \in X$ the function f_p defined by

$$f_p(x) = d(x, p) - d(x, a) \quad (x \in X).$$

Prove that $|f_p(x)| \leq d(p, a)$ for all $x \in X$, and therefore $f_p \in \mathcal{C}(X)$.

Prove that

$$\|f_p - f_q\| = d(p, q)$$

for all $p, q \in X$.

If $\Phi(p) = f_p$, it follows that Φ is an isometry of X onto $\Phi(X) \subset \mathcal{C}(X)$.

Let Y be the closure of $\Phi(X)$ in $\mathcal{C}(X)$. Show that Y is complete. (Hence, every metric space is a dense subset of a complete metric space.)

Exercises

Ex 7.25, Picard Iteration

Suppose ϕ is a continuous bounded real function in the strip defined by $0 \leq x \leq 1, -\infty < y < \infty$. Prove that the initial-value problem

$$y' = \phi(x, y), \quad y(0) = c$$

has a solution.

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