

This is an application of what we learnt in W10 about signed measures and the Radon-Nikodym Theorem.

Definition If V is a Banach space (complete, normed vector space) then the dual space of V is written V' and is the space of all bounded linear operators $V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. We can put a norm on V' by

$$\|K\| = \sup_{v \neq 0} \frac{|K(v)|}{\|v\|} = \sup_{\|v\|=1} |K(v)|.$$

Now if $g \in L^q(E, \mathcal{E}, \mu)$ then we can define a linear operator $K_g : L^p(E, \mathcal{E}, \mu) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $K_g(f) = \mu(fg)$.

This is bounded by Hölder's inequality

$$|\mu(fg)| \leq \mu(|fg|) \leq \|f\|_p \|g\|_q$$

$$\text{so } \|K_g\| \leq \|g\|_q.$$

Theorem Let (E, \mathcal{E}, μ) be a finite measure space and $p \in (1, \infty)$. Then the map $g \mapsto K_g$ defines a bijective isometry between $L^q(E, \mathcal{E}, \mu)$ and $(L^p(E, \mathcal{E}, \mu))'$. ($\|K_g\| = \|g\|_q$).

Remark We don't need the finite assumption its a bonus to make the proof shorter.

Lemma just there to make the proof shorter.

We have already shown $g \mapsto Kg$ is linear
and $\|Kg\| \leq \|g\|_q$.

Claim $\|Kg\| = \|g\|_q$.

We look at $f = \operatorname{sgn}(g(x)) |g(x)|^{q-1}$ then

$$f \in L^p \quad \mu(|f|^p) = \mu(|g|^q) \quad \text{so} \quad \|f\|_p = \|g\|_q^{q/p}$$

$$\text{so} \quad \frac{Kg(f)}{\|f\|_p} = \frac{\mu(|g|^q)}{\|g\|_q^{q/p}} = \|g\|_q^{q(1-\frac{1}{p})} = \|g\|_q$$

$$\|Kg\| \geq \frac{Kg(f)}{\|f\|_p} \quad \text{and} \quad \|Kg\| \leq \|g\|_q \quad \text{so} \quad \|Kg\| = \|g\|_q$$

Shows $g \mapsto Kg$ is an isometry to some subset of $L^p(\mathcal{E})'$. We want to show its surjective.

Take K an arbitrary element of $L^p(\mathcal{E})'$ wts $\exists g$
s.t. $K = Kg$. wts $K(f) = \mu(fg)$ some g .

We can make a signed measure from K . Let $A \in \mathcal{E}$
then define a function $k: \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $k(A) = K(\mathbb{1}_A)$.
 $\mathbb{1}_A \in L^p$ since its a finite space. $\|\mathbb{1}_A\|_p = \mu(A) < \infty$

then define a function since its a finite space. $\| \mathbb{1}_A \|_p = \mu(A) < \infty$

Claim: k is a signed measure

$$k(\emptyset) = K(0) = 0.$$

Now let A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots be a sequence of disjoint sets in Σ . Then

$$k\left(\bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j\right) = K\left(\mathbb{1}_{\bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j}\right) = K\left(\sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{A_j}\right) = \sum_{j=1}^n K(\mathbb{1}_{A_j}) = \sum_{j=1}^n k(A_j)$$

so we know k is finitely additive

$$\|\mathbb{1}_{\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} A_j} - \mathbb{1}_{\bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j}\|_p = \|\mathbb{1}_{\bigcup_{j=n+1}^{\infty} A_j}\|_p = \mu\left(\bigcup_{j=n+1}^{\infty} A_j\right) \rightarrow 0$$

as we're in a finite measure space and the A_j are disjoint.

The fact that k is bounded means its continuous

$$|K(\mathbb{1}_{\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} A_j}) - K(\mathbb{1}_{\bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j})| = |K(\mathbb{1}_{\bigcup_{j=n+1}^{\infty} A_j})| \leq \|k\| \|\mathbb{1}_{\bigcup_{j=n+1}^{\infty} A_j}\|_p \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } K\left(\mathbb{1}_{\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} A_j}\right) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} K\left(\mathbb{1}_{\bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j}\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^n K(\mathbb{1}_{A_j}) \\ |K(\mathbb{1}_{A_j})| &\leq \|k\| \mu(A_j) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_j) < \infty \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} K(\mathbb{1}_{A_j}) \end{aligned}$$

$$K\left(\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} A_j\right) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} K(A_j)$$

so k is countably additive.

... signed measure and by our

So k is a signed measure and by our decomposition theorem $\exists (P, N)$ s.t. $E = P \cup N$
 P is a +ve set for k , N is a negative set for k

$$k_+(A) = k(A \cap P) \quad k_-(A) = -k(A \cap N)$$

$$k = k_+ - k_-.$$

k_+ and k_- are both finite measures.

We want to apply the Radon-Nikodym theorem
so wts $k_+ \ll \mu$ and $k_- \ll \mu$.

So take some $A \in \mathcal{E}$ with $\mu(A) = 0$

$$\mu(A \cap P) = 0 = \mu(A \cap N)$$

$$\text{so } k_+(A) = k(A \cap P) = K(1_{A \cap P})$$

then $1_{A \cap P}$ is a.e. equal to the zero function

since K is an operator on L^P it only sees functions

up to almost everywhere equality so $K(1_{A \cap P}) = K(0) = 0$.

so $k_+(A) = 0$ and in exactly the same way $k_-(A) = 0$.

so we've shown $k_+, k_- \ll \mu$.

Therefore we can apply Radon-Nikodym to get

functions g_+ and g_- s.t. $k_+(A) = \mu(g_+ 1_A)$

and $k_-(A) = \mu(g_- 1_A)$. Let $g = g_+ - g_-$.

now we know $K(1_A) = \mu(g 1_A)$

we want to show $g \in L^{\mu}(E, E, \mu)$ and $K(f) = \mu(g \cdot f) \forall f$.

Let us define $E_n = \{x : |g(x)| \leq n\}$

then $g \mathbb{1}_{E_n}$ is in L^{μ} $\mu(|g \mathbb{1}_{E_n}|^p)$
 $= \mu(|g|^p \mathbb{1}_{E_n})$
 $\leq n \mu(E_n)$
 $\leq n \mu(E) < \infty$.

Let us define two sequences of linear operators on L^p . K_n be defined by $K_n(f) = K(f \mathbb{1}_{E_n})$

\tilde{K}_n be defined by $\tilde{K}_n(f) = \mu(gf \mathbb{1}_{E_n})$

then $\|\tilde{K}_n\| = \|g \mathbb{1}_{E_n}\|$
 $\|K_n\| = \sup_{\|f\|_p=1} K(f \mathbb{1}_{E_n}) \leq \sup_{\|f\|_p=1} \frac{K(f \mathbb{1}_{E_n})}{\|f \mathbb{1}_{E_n}\|_p}$
 $\leq \sup_{f \neq 0} \frac{K(f)}{\|f\|_p} = \|K\|$

$\|f \mathbb{1}_{E_n}\|_p \leq \|f\|_p$

Claim: $K_n(\mathbb{1}_A) = \tilde{K}_n(\mathbb{1}_A)$

$$\begin{aligned} K_n(\mathbb{1}_A) &= K(\mathbb{1}_{A \cap E_n}) = K(A \cap E_n) = \mu(g \mathbb{1}_{A \cap E_n}) \\ &= \mu(g \mathbb{1}_A \mathbb{1}_{E_n}) = \tilde{K}_n(\mathbb{1}_A). \end{aligned}$$

So if h is a simple function then by linearity

$$K_n(h) = \tilde{K}_n(h).$$

Now if $f \in L^p(E)$, $\varepsilon > 0$ then $\exists h$ simple with

$$\|f-h\|_p < \varepsilon.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 |k_n(f) - \tilde{k}_n(f)| &\leq |k_n(f) - k_n(h)| + |k_n(h) - \tilde{k}_n(h)| \\
 &\quad + |\tilde{k}_n(h) - \tilde{k}_n(f)| \\
 &\leq (\|k_n\| + \|\tilde{k}_n\|) \|f-h\|_p \\
 &\leq (\|k_n\| + \|\tilde{k}_n\|) \varepsilon
 \end{aligned}$$

since ε is arbitrary this means

$$k_n(f) = \tilde{k}_n(f).$$

$$\text{so } \|k_n\| = \|\tilde{k}_n\|$$

$$\|k_n\| \leq \|k\|$$

we showed

$$\text{and } \|\tilde{k}_n\| = \|g \mathbb{1}_{E_n}\|_q$$

$$\text{so } \|g \mathbb{1}_{E_n}\|_q \leq \|k\| \quad \forall n$$

$$\mu(g \mathbb{1}_{E_n}) = \mu(g^q \mathbb{1}_{E_n}) \text{ so } (g^q \mathbb{1}_{E_n}) \uparrow g^q$$

$$\text{so by monotone convergence } \|g \mathbb{1}_{E_n}\|_q \rightarrow \|g\|_q$$

$$\text{so } \|g\|_q \leq \|k\| \text{ so } g \in L^q.$$

so we know $k = kg$ on indicator functions,

so we know it for simple function and since

we can approximate any function in L^p by a simple $k = kg$ on all $f \in L^p$.