

THEOREM (DIRICHLET TEST)

Let $\sum u_n$ be a series with general terms in a Banach space $(W, \|\cdot\|)$. Suppose that its general term u_n writes $u_n = a_n b_n$ with $a_n \in \mathbb{R}$ and $b_n \in W$ for all $n \geq 1$, and satisfies:

(i) the sequence $(a_n)_{n \geq 1}$ is nonnegative, nonincreasing, and tends to 0

(ii) the series $\sum b_n$ is bounded

Then, $\sum u_n$ converges.

Proof

Let us apply Abel transform eq to $\sum u_n$. $\forall n \geq 0$, $\sum_{k=1}^n u_k = \sum_{k=1}^n (a_k - a_{k+1}) S_k + a_{n+1} S_n$, where S_n is the n -th partial sum of series $\sum b_n$.

Let $M > 0$, s.t. $|S_n| = |\sum_{k=1}^n b_k| \leq M \quad \forall n \geq 1$. Then, $|a_n S_n| \leq |a_n| M \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$, so the series $\sum u_n$ and $\sum (a_n - a_{n+1}) S_n$ share the same behavior. Moreover, $\forall k \geq 0$, $|(a_k - a_{k+1}) S_k| \leq (a_k - a_{k+1}) M$ since $(a_k)_{k \geq 1}$ is nonincreasing.

$\therefore \forall n \geq 0$, $\sum_{k=1}^n |(a_k - a_{k+1}) S_k| \leq \sum_{k=1}^n (a_k - a_{k+1}) M = (a_1 - a_{n+1}) M \leq a_1 M$. Hence, $\sum (a_n - a_{n+1}) S_n$ is absolutely convergent and hence convergent. \square

EXAMPLES (Applications of Dirichlet Test)

(1) Let $(a_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be a nonincreasing sequence tending to 0. We know the alternating series $\sum (-1)^n a_n$ is convergent since the partial sum $|(-1)^1 + (-1)^2 + \dots + (-1)^n| \leq 1$ is bounded (see "bounded" suffices, no need for "converge").

(2) Let $(a_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be a nonincreasing sequence tending to 0. Let $\theta \in \mathbb{R} \setminus 2\pi\mathbb{Z}$. Consider the series $\sum a_n e^{in\theta}$.

$\forall n \geq 0$, we have $1 + e^{i\theta} + \dots + e^{in\theta} = \frac{1 - e^{i(n+1)\theta}}{1 - e^{i\theta}} = \left| \sin\left(\frac{(n+1)\theta}{2}\right) \div \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \right| \leq \frac{1}{|\sin(\frac{\theta}{2})|} \therefore$ The series converges if $\theta \in \mathbb{R} \setminus 2\pi\mathbb{Z}$

REARRANGEMENT OF SERIES

Let $\sum u_n$ be a series with terms in $(W, \|\cdot\|)$

DEFINITION \hookrightarrow we don't say "permutation" cuz it can be uncountable

We say $\sum v_n$ is a rearrangement of $\sum u_n$ if \exists a bijection $\varphi: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$, s.t. $v_n = u_{\varphi(n)} \quad \forall n \geq 1$

THEOREM

If $\sum u_n$ converges absolutely to s , then any rearrangement of $\sum u_n$ is also absolutely convergent with the same limit

Proof

Let $\varphi: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ be a bijection and $\sum v_n$ with $v_n = u_{\varphi(n)}$, $n \geq 1$, be a rearrangement of $\sum u_n$.

$\forall n \geq 1$, $\sum_{k=1}^n \|v_k\| = \sum_{k=1}^n \|u_{\varphi(k)}\| \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \|u_k\| < +\infty \therefore \sum_{k=1}^n \|v_k\|$ converges $\Rightarrow \sum v_k$ absolutely converges

Now, for "same limit",

Let $\varepsilon > 0$, take $N \geq 1$, s.t. $\sum_{n=N}^{\infty} \|u_n\| < \varepsilon$. For $n \geq 0$, $S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n u_k$, $T_n = \sum_{k=1}^n v_k$

From the ε we chose, we know that $\|S_N - S\| = \|\sum_{n=N}^{\infty} u_n\| < \varepsilon$

Note that $\{1, \dots, N\}$ is a finite set, so it has an upper bound $\varphi(M)$, that is $\{1, \dots, N\} \subseteq \{\varphi(1), \dots, \varphi(M)\}$

For $n \geq M$, $\|T_n - S_n\| = \|\sum_{k=1}^n v_k - \sum_{k=1}^n u_k\| = \|\sum_{k=1}^n u_{\varphi(k)} - \sum_{k=1}^n u_k\| = \|\sum_{k \in A} u_k\| \leq \sum_{k \in A} \|u_k\| \leq \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} \|u_n\| < \varepsilon$, where $A = \{\varphi(1), \dots, \varphi(M)\} \setminus \{1, \dots, N\}$

\therefore For $n \geq M$, $\|T_n - S\| \leq \|T_n - S_n\| + \|S_n - S\| < 2\varepsilon \quad \square$

WHAT HAPPENS IF $\sum u_n$ DOES NOT CONVERGE ABSOLUTELY?

EXAMPLE

Recall: We know that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} = \ln 2$ but is not absolutely convergent

A possible rearrangement: $(1 - \frac{1}{2}) - \frac{1}{4} + (\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4}) - \frac{1}{8} + \dots + (\frac{1}{2k-1} - \frac{1}{2k}) - \frac{1}{4k} = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{8} + \dots = \frac{1}{2} \ln 2$

RIEMANN SERIES THEOREM

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Let $\sum u_n$ be a real-valued series that is conditionally convergent

For $-\infty < x < y < \infty$, then \exists a bijection $\varphi: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$, s.t. the rearrangement $\sum u_{\varphi(n)}$ satisfies $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n u_{\varphi(k)} = x$ and $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n u_{\varphi(k)} = y$

(Proof sketch: Let $\sum a_n$ have the sum of all the terms, $\sum b_n$ have the sum of all -ve terms. Both diverge, so we can find distinct values to match)

REMARK

If we take $x=y$, then the arrangement satisfies $\sum u_{\varphi(n)} = x=y$ (i.e. it conv)

CAUCHY SERIES

DEFINITION

Let $K = \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C} and $(A, \|\cdot\|)$ be a normed vector space over K . Consider a binary operator $A \times A \rightarrow A$ denoted by \cdot .

(1) We say that (A, \cdot) is an algebra if:

↳ Right distributivity: $\forall x, y, z \in A, (x+y) \cdot z = x \cdot z + y \cdot z$

↳ Left distributivity: $\forall x, y, z \in A, z \cdot (x+y) = z \cdot x + z \cdot y$

↳ Scalar multiplication: $\forall x, y, z \in A, a, b \in K, (ax) \cdot (by) = (ab)(x \cdot y)$

(2) We say $(A, \|\cdot\|)$ is a **normed algebra** if (A, \cdot) is an algebra and $\forall x, y \in A, \|x \cdot y\| \leq \|x\| \|y\|$

EXAMPLE

(1) $(\mathbb{R}, \|\cdot\|)$ and $(\mathbb{C}, \|\cdot\|)$ are normed algebras

(2) For $n \geq 1$, $M_{n \times n}(K)$ equipped with matrix norm $\|\cdot\|$ is a normed algebra, where $\|A\| = \sup_{x \in K^n, \|x\|=1} \|Ax\|$

(3) Let U be a normed vector space. $\mathcal{L}(U) = \{\text{linear maps: } U \rightarrow U\}$ with the operator norm $\|\cdot\|$ is a normed algebra

THEOREM (CAUCHY PRODUCT)

Let $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ and $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n$ be absolutely convergent series with general terms in a normed algebra $(A, \cdot, \|\cdot\|)$. We define its Cauchy series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n$ to be $\forall n \geq 0, c_n = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k b_{n-k}$. Then, $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n$ converges absolutely to $(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n)(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n)$

Proof

Denote $A := \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \|a_p\|$ and $B := \sum_{q=0}^{\infty} \|b_q\|$

Let $n \geq 0$, then $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \|c_k\| \leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{p+q=k} \|a_p\| \|b_q\| \right) \leq \sum_{p,q \geq 0} \|a_p\| \|b_q\| = \left(\sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \|a_p\| \right) \left(\sum_{q=0}^{\infty} \|b_q\| \right) \leq AB \quad \therefore \sum c_n \text{ converges absolutely (rearrangement ok)}$

Now, define $\forall n \geq 0, \Delta_n = \sum_{k=0}^n c_k - \left(\sum_{p=0}^n a_p \right) \left(\sum_{q=0}^n b_q \right)$

Thus, $\forall n \geq 0, \Delta_n = \sum_{p,q=0}^n a_p b_q - \sum_{0 \leq p,q \leq n} a_p b_q = \sum_{p=0, q \geq n+1} a_p b_q + \sum_{q=0, p \geq n+1} a_p b_q$

\therefore By Δ inequality, $\forall n \geq 0, \|\Delta_n\| \leq \sum_{p=0, q \geq n+1} \|a_p\| \|b_q\| + \sum_{q=0, p \geq n+1} \|a_p\| \|b_q\| \leq \sum_{p \geq n+1} \|a_p\| \sum_{q=0}^{\infty} \|b_q\| + \sum_{q \geq n+1} \|a_p\| \|b_q\| = B \sum_{p \geq n+1} \|a_p\| + A \sum_{q \geq n+1} \|b_q\| \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0 \quad \square$

EXAMPLE (Applications)

(1) On \mathbb{R} , define the exponential function $e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$

For $x, y \in \mathbb{R}, e^x \cdot e^y = \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} \right) \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{y^n}{n!} \right) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n$

Here, we know $c_n = \sum_{p+q=n} \frac{x^p}{p!} \frac{y^q}{q!} = \sum_{p=0}^n \binom{n}{p} \frac{1}{p!q!} x^p y^q = \frac{1}{n!} (x+y)^n \Rightarrow e^x e^y = e^{x+y}$ (given commutativity)

Notably, Cauchy product makes us able to extend this concept to other normed algebras.