# **9.** $L^p$ -spaces, $p \in [1, +\infty]$

In the following,  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  is a measure space.

EXERCISE 1. Let  $f, g: (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \to [0, +\infty]$  be non-negative and measurable maps. Let  $p, q \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , such that 1/p + 1/q = 1.

- 1. Show that  $1 and <math>1 < q < +\infty$ .
- 2. For all  $\alpha \in ]0, +\infty[$ , we define  $\phi^{\alpha} : [0, +\infty] \to [0, +\infty]$  by:

$$\phi^{\alpha}(x) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} x^{\alpha} & \text{if} & x \in \mathbf{R}^{+} \\ +\infty & \text{if} & x = +\infty \end{array} \right.$$

Show that  $\phi^{\alpha}$  is a continuous map.

- 3. Define  $A = (\int f^p d\mu)^{1/p}$ ,  $B = (\int g^q d\mu)^{1/q}$  and  $C = \int f g d\mu$ . Explain why A, B and C are well defined elements of  $[0, +\infty]$ .
- 4. Show that if A = 0 or B = 0 then C < AB.
- 5. Show that if  $A = +\infty$  or  $B = +\infty$  then  $C \leq AB$ .

6. We assume from now on that  $0 < A < +\infty$  and  $0 < B < +\infty$ . Define F = f/A and G = g/B. Show that:

$$\int_{\Omega} F^p d\mu = \int_{\Omega} G^p d\mu = 1$$

7. Let  $a, b \in ]0, +\infty[$ . Show that:

$$\ln(a) + \ln(b) \le \ln\left(\frac{1}{p}a^p + \frac{1}{q}b^q\right)$$

and:

$$ab \le \frac{1}{p}a^p + \frac{1}{q}b^q$$

Prove this last inequality for all  $a, b \in [0, +\infty]$ .

8. Show that for all  $\omega \in \Omega$ , we have:

$$F(\omega)G(\omega) \le \frac{1}{p}(F(\omega))^p + \frac{1}{q}(G(\omega))^q$$

9. Show that  $C \leq AB$ .

**Theorem 41 (Hölder's inequality)** Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  be a measure space and  $f, g: (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \to [0, +\infty]$  be two non-negative and measurable maps. Let  $p, q \in \mathbf{R}^+$  be such that 1/p + 1/q = 1. Then:

$$\int_{\Omega} f g d\mu \leq \left(\int_{\Omega} f^p d\mu\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\int_{\Omega} g^q d\mu\right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

Theorem 42 (Cauchy-Schwarz's inequality:first)

Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  be a measure space and  $f, g : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \to [0, +\infty]$  be two non-negative and measurable maps. Then:

$$\int_{\Omega} f g d\mu \leq \left(\int_{\Omega} f^2 d\mu\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\int_{\Omega} g^2 d\mu\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

EXERCISE 2. Let  $f, g: (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \to [0, +\infty]$  be two non-negative and measurable maps. Let  $p \in ]1, +\infty[$ . Define  $A = (\int f^p d\mu)^{1/p}$  and

$$B = (\int g^p d\mu)^{1/p}$$
 and  $C = (\int (f+g)^p d\mu)^{1/p}$ .

- 1. Explain why A, B and C are well defined elements of  $[0, +\infty]$ .
- 2. Show that for all  $a, b \in ]0, +\infty[$ , we have:

$$(a+b)^p \le 2^{p-1}(a^p + b^p)$$

Prove this inequality for all  $a, b \in [0, +\infty]$ .

- 3. Show that if  $A = +\infty$  or  $B = +\infty$  or C = 0 then  $C \le A + B$ .
- 4. Show that if  $A < +\infty$  and  $B < +\infty$  then  $C < +\infty$ .
- 5. We assume from now that  $A, B \in [0, +\infty[$  and  $C \in ]0, +\infty[$ . Show the existence of some  $q \in \mathbb{R}^+$  such that 1/p + 1/q = 1.
- 6. Show that for all  $a, b \in [0, +\infty]$ , we have:

$$(a+b)^p = (a+b).(a+b)^{p-1}$$

7. Show that:

$$\int_{\Omega} f \cdot (f+g)^{p-1} d\mu \leq A C^{\frac{p}{q}}$$

$$\int_{\Omega} g \cdot (f+g)^{p-1} d\mu \leq B C^{\frac{p}{q}}$$

8. Show that:

$$\int_{\Omega} (f+g)^p d\mu \le C^{\frac{p}{q}} (A+B)$$

- 9. Show that  $C \leq A + B$ .
- 10. Show that the inequality still holds if we assume that p=1.

Theorem 43 (Minkowski's inequality) Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  be a measure space and  $f, g: (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \to [0, +\infty]$  be two non-negative and measurable maps. Let  $p \in [1, +\infty[$ . Then:

$$\left(\int_{\Omega} (f+g)^p d\mu\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq \left(\int_{\Omega} f^p d\mu\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} + \left(\int_{\Omega} g^p d\mu\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

**Definition 73** The  $L^p$ -spaces,  $p \in [1, +\infty[$ , on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , are:

$$L_{\mathbf{R}}^{p}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \left\{ f : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \to (\mathbf{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R})) \ measurable, \int_{\Omega} |f|^{p} d\mu < +\infty \right\}$$

$$L_{\mathbf{C}}^{p}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \left\{ f : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \to (\mathbf{C}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{C})) \ measurable, \int_{\Omega} |f|^{p} d\mu < +\infty \right\}$$

For all  $f \in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , we put:

$$||f||_p \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \left(\int_{\Omega} |f|^p d\mu\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

EXERCISE 3. Let  $p \in [1, +\infty[$ . Let  $f, g \in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ .

- 1. Show that  $L^p_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu) = \{ f \in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu) , f(\Omega) \subseteq \mathbf{R} \}.$
- 2. Show that  $L^p_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  is closed under **R**-linear combinations.
- 3. Show that  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  is closed under **C**-linear combinations.
- 4. Show that  $||f + g||_p \le ||f||_p + ||g||_p$ .
- 5. Show that  $||f||_p = 0 \Leftrightarrow f = 0 \mu$ -a.s.
- 6. Show that for all  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\|\alpha f\|_p = |\alpha| \cdot \|f\|_p$ .
- 7. Explain why  $(f,g) \to ||f-g||_p$  is not a metric on  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$

**Definition 74** For all  $f:(\Omega,\mathcal{F})\to (\mathbf{C},\mathcal{B}(\mathbf{C}))$  measurable, Let:

$$||f||_{\infty} \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \inf\{M \in \mathbf{R}^+, |f| \le M \ \mu\text{-}a.s.\}$$

The  $L^{\infty}$ -spaces on a measure space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  are:

$$L_{\mathbf{R}}^{\infty}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \{ f : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \to (\mathbf{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R})) \text{ measurable}, ||f||_{\infty} < +\infty \}$$
$$L_{\mathbf{C}}^{\infty}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \{ f : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \to (\mathbf{C}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{C})) \text{ measurable}, ||f||_{\infty} < +\infty \}$$

EXERCISE 4. Let  $f, g \in L^{\infty}_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ .

- 1. Show that  $L_{\mathbf{R}}^{\infty}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu) = \{ f \in L_{\mathbf{C}}^{\infty}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu) , f(\Omega) \subseteq \mathbf{R} \}.$
- 2. Show that  $|f| \leq ||f||_{\infty} \mu$ -a.s.
- 3. Show that  $||f + g||_{\infty} \le ||f||_{\infty} + ||g||_{\infty}$ .
- 4. Show that  $L_{\mathbf{R}}^{\infty}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  is closed under **R**-linear combinations.
- 5. Show that  $L^{\infty}_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  is closed under **C**-linear combinations.
- 6. Show that  $||f||_{\infty} = 0 \Leftrightarrow f = 0 \mu$ -a.s..
- 7. Show that for all  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\|\alpha f\|_{\infty} = |\alpha| \cdot \|f\|_{\infty}$ .

8. Explain why  $(f,g) \to ||f-g||_{\infty}$  is not a metric on  $L^{\infty}_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega,\mathcal{F},\mu)$ 

**Definition 75** Let  $p \in [1, +\infty]$ . Let  $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{R}$  or  $\mathbf{C}$ . For all  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $f \in L^p_{\mathbf{K}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , we define the so-called **open ball** in  $L^p_{\mathbf{K}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ :

$$B(f,\epsilon) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \{g : g \in L^p_{\mathbf{K}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu), ||f - g||_p < \epsilon \}$$

We call usual topology in  $L^p_{\mathbf{K}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , the set  $\mathcal{T}$  defined by:

$$\mathcal{T} \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \{ U : U \subseteq L_{\mathbf{K}}^p(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu), \forall f \in U, \exists \epsilon > 0, B(f, \epsilon) \subseteq U \}$$

Note that if  $(f,g) \to ||f-g||_p$  was a metric, the usual topology in  $L^p_{\mathbf{K}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , would be nothing but the *metric* topology.

EXERCISE 5. Let  $p \in [1, +\infty]$ . Suppose there exists  $N \in \mathcal{F}$  with  $\mu(N) = 0$  and  $N \neq \emptyset$ . Put  $f = 1_N$  and g = 0

1. Show that  $f, g \in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  and  $f \neq g$ .

- 2. Show that any open set containing f also contains g.
- 3. Show that  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  and  $L^p_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  are not Hausdorff.

EXERCISE 6. Show that the usual topology on  $L^p_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  is induced by the usual topology on  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , where  $p \in [1, +\infty]$ .

**Definition 76** Let  $(E, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space. A sequence  $(x_n)_{n\geq 1}$  in E is said to **converge** to  $x \in E$ , and we write  $x_n \xrightarrow{\mathcal{T}} x$ , if and only if, for all  $U \in \mathcal{T}$  such that  $x \in U$ , there exists  $n_0 \geq 1$  such that:

$$n \ge n_0 \implies x_n \in U$$

When  $E = L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  or  $E = L^p_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , we write  $x_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} x$ .

EXERCISE 7. Let  $(E, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space and  $E' \subseteq E$ . Let  $\mathcal{T}' = \mathcal{T}_{|E'|}$  be the induced topology on E'. Show that if  $(x_n)_{n\geq 1}$  is a sequence in E' and  $x \in E'$ , then  $x_n \xrightarrow{\mathcal{T}} x$  is equivalent to  $x_n \xrightarrow{\mathcal{T}'} x$ .

EXERCISE 8. Let  $f, g, (f_n)_{n\geq 1}$  be in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  and  $p \in [1, +\infty]$ .

- 1. Recall what the notation  $f_n \to f$  means.
- 2. Show that  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$  is equivalent to  $||f_n f||_p \to 0$ .
- 3. Show that if  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$  and  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} g$  then  $f = g \mu$ -a.s.

EXERCISE 9. Let  $p \in [1, +\infty]$ . Suppose there exists some  $N \in \mathcal{F}$  such that  $\mu(N) = 0$  and  $N \neq \emptyset$ . Find a sequence  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  and f, g in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ ,  $f \neq g$  such that  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$  and  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} g$ .

**Definition 77** Let  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$  be a sequence in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , where  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  is a measure space and  $p \in [1, +\infty]$ . We say that  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$  is a **Cauchy sequence**, if and only if, for all  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $n_0 \geq 1$  such that:

$$n, m \ge n_0 \implies ||f_n - f_m||_p \le \epsilon$$

EXERCISE 10. Let  $f, (f_n)_{n\geq 1}$  be in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  and  $p \in [1, +\infty]$ . Show that if  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$ , then  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$  is a Cauchy sequence.

EXERCISE 11. Let  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$  be Cauchy in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu), p \in [1, +\infty]$ .

1. Show the existence of  $n_1 \ge 1$  such that:

$$n \ge n_1 \implies ||f_n - f_{n_1}||_p \le \frac{1}{2}$$

2. Suppose we have found  $n_1 < n_2 < \ldots < n_k, k \ge 1$ , such that:

$$\forall j \in \{1, \dots, k\} , n \ge n_j \Rightarrow \|f_n - f_{n_j}\|_p \le \frac{1}{2^j}$$

Show the existence of  $n_{k+1}$ ,  $n_k < n_{k+1}$  such that:

$$n \ge n_{k+1} \implies ||f_n - f_{n_{k+1}}||_p \le \frac{1}{2^{k+1}}$$

3. Show that there exists a subsequence  $(f_{n_k})_{k\geq 1}$  of  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$  with:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \|f_{n_{k+1}} - f_{n_k}\|_p < +\infty$$

EXERCISE 12. Let  $p \in [1, +\infty]$ , and  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , with:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \|f_{n+1} - f_n\|_p < +\infty$$

We define:

$$g \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} |f_{n+1} - f_n|$$

- 1. Show that  $g:(\Omega,\mathcal{F})\to [0,+\infty]$  is non-negative and measurable.
- 2. If  $p = +\infty$ , show that  $g \leq \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} ||f_{n+1} f_n||_{\infty} \mu$ -a.s.

3. If  $p \in [1, +\infty[$ , show that for all  $N \ge 1$ , we have:

$$\left\| \sum_{n=1}^{N} |f_{n+1} - f_n| \right\|_{p} \le \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \|f_{n+1} - f_n\|_{p}$$

4. If  $p \in [1, +\infty[$ , show that:

$$\left(\int_{\Omega} g^p d\mu\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \le \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \|f_{n+1} - f_n\|_p$$

- 5. Show that for  $p \in [1, +\infty]$ , we have  $g < +\infty$   $\mu$ -a.s.
- 6. Define  $A = \{g < +\infty\}$ . Show that for all  $\omega \in A$ ,  $(f_n(\omega))_{n \ge 1}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $\mathbb{C}$ . We denote  $z(\omega)$  its limit.
- 7. Define  $f:(\Omega,\mathcal{F})\to (\mathbf{C},\mathcal{B}(\mathbf{C}))$ , by:

$$f(\omega) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} z(\omega) & \text{ if } & \omega \in A \\ 0 & \text{ if } & \omega \not\in A \end{array} \right.$$

Show that f is measurable and  $f_n \to f$   $\mu$ -a.s.

- 8. if  $p = +\infty$ , show that for all  $n \ge 1$ ,  $|f_n| \le |f_1| + g$  and conclude that  $f \in L^{\infty}_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ .
- 9. If  $p \in [1, +\infty[$ , show the existence of  $n_0 \ge 1$ , such that:

$$n \ge n_0 \implies \int_{\Omega} |f_n - f_{n_0}|^p d\mu \le 1$$

Deduce from Fatou's lemma that  $f - f_{n_0} \in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ .

- 10. Show that for  $p \in [1, +\infty]$ ,  $f \in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ .
- 11. Suppose that  $f_n \in L^p_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , for all  $n \geq 1$ . Show the existence of  $f \in L^p_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , such that  $f_n \to f$   $\mu$ -a.s.

EXERCISE 13. Let  $p \in [1, +\infty]$ , and  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$  be in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , with:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \|f_{n+1} - f_n\|_p < +\infty$$

- 1. Does there exist  $f \in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  such that  $f_n \to f$   $\mu$ -a.s.
- 2. Suppose  $p = +\infty$ . Show that for all n < m, we have:

$$|f_{m+1} - f_n| \le \sum_{k=1}^m ||f_{k+1} - f_k||_{\infty} \mu$$
-a.s.

3. Suppose  $p = +\infty$ . Show that for all  $n \ge 1$ , we have:

$$||f - f_n||_{\infty} \le \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} ||f_{k+1} - f_k||_{\infty}$$

4. Suppose  $p \in [1, +\infty[$ . Show that for all n < m, we have:

$$\left( \int_{\Omega} |f_{m+1} - f_n|^p d\mu \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \le \sum_{k=n}^m ||f_{k+1} - f_k||_p$$

5. Suppose  $p \in [1, +\infty[$ . Show that for all  $n \ge 1$ , we have:

$$||f - f_n||_p \le \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} ||f_{k+1} - f_k||_p$$

- 6. Show that for  $p \in [1, +\infty]$ , we also have  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$ .
- 7. Suppose conversely that  $g \in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  is such that  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} g$ . Show that f = g  $\mu$ -a.s.. Conclude that  $f_n \to g$   $\mu$ -a.s..

**Theorem 44** Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  be a measure space. Let  $p \in [1, +\infty]$ , and  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$  be a sequence in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  such that:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \|f_{n+1} - f_n\|_p < +\infty$$

Then, there exists  $f \in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  such that  $f_n \to f$   $\mu$ -a.s. Moreover, for all  $g \in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , the convergence  $f_n \to g$   $\mu$ -a.s. and  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} g$  are equivalent.

EXERCISE 14. Let  $f, (f_n)_{n\geq 1}$  be in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  such that  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$ , where  $p \in [1, +\infty]$ .

1. Show that there exists a sub-sequence  $(f_{n_k})_{k\geq 1}$  of  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$ , with:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \|f_{n_{k+1}} - f_{n_k}\|_p < +\infty$$

- 2. Show that there exists  $g \in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  such that  $f_{n_k} \to g$   $\mu$ -a.s.
- 3. Show that  $f_{n_k} \stackrel{L^p}{\to} g$  and  $g = f \mu$ -a.s.
- 4. Conclude with the following:

**Theorem 45** Let  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$  be in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  and  $f \in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  such that  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$ , where  $p \in [1, +\infty]$ . Then, we can extract a subsequence  $(f_{n_k})_{k\geq 1}$  of  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$  such that  $f_{n_k} \to f$   $\mu$ -a.s.

EXERCISE 15. Prove the last theorem for  $L^p_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ .

EXERCISE 16. Let  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$  be Cauchy in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu), p \in [1, +\infty]$ .

1. Show that there exists a subsequence  $(f_{n_k})_{k\geq 1}$  of  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$  and f belonging to  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , such that  $f_{n_k} \stackrel{L^p}{\longrightarrow} f$ .

2. Using the fact that  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$  is Cauchy, show that  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$ .

**Theorem 46** Let  $p \in [1, +\infty]$ . Let  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$  be a Cauchy sequence in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ . Then, there exists  $f \in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  such that  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$ .

EXERCISE 17. Prove the last theorem for  $L^p_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ .

## Solutions to Exercises

### Exercise 1.

- 1. Since  $p,q \in \mathbf{R}^+$ , we have  $p < +\infty$  and  $q < +\infty$ . From the inequality  $1/p \le 1/p + 1/q = 1$ , we obtain  $p \ge 1$ . If p = 1, then 1/q = 0, contradicting  $q < +\infty$ . So p > 1, and similarly q > 1. We have proved that  $1 and <math>1 < q < +\infty$ .
- 2. Let  $\alpha \in ]0, +\infty[$  and  $\phi = \phi^{\alpha}$ . We want to prove that  $\phi$  is continuous. For all  $a \in \mathbf{R}^+$ , it is clear that  $\lim_{x \to a} \phi(x) = \phi(a)$ . So  $\phi$  is continuous at x = a. Furthermore,  $\lim_{x \to +\infty} \phi(x) = \phi(+\infty)$ . So  $\phi$  is also continuous at  $+\infty$ . For many of us, this is sufficient proof of the fact that  $\phi$  is a continuous map. However, for those who want to apply definition (27), the following can be said: let V be open in  $[0, +\infty]$ . We want to show that  $\phi^{-1}(V)$  is open in  $[0, +\infty]$ . Let  $a \in \phi^{-1}(V)$ . Then  $\phi(a) \in V$ . Since  $\phi$  is continuous at x = a, there exists  $U_a$  open in  $[0, +\infty]$ , containing a, such that  $\phi(U_a) \subseteq V$ . So  $a \in U_a \subseteq \phi^{-1}(V)$ . It follows that

- $\phi^{-1}(V)$  can be written as  $\phi^{-1}(V) = \bigcup_{a \in \phi^{-1}(V)} U_a$ , and  $\phi^{-1}(V)$  is therefore open in  $[0, +\infty]$ . From definition (27), we conclude that  $\phi: [0, +\infty] \to [0, +\infty]$  is a continuous map.
- We proved that  $\phi^p$  is a continuous map. It is therefore measurable with respect to the Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra  $B([0,+\infty])$  on  $[0,+\infty]$ . It follows that  $f^p:(\Omega,\mathcal{F})\to [0,+\infty]$  is a measurable map, which is also non-negative. Hence, the integral  $\int f^p d\mu$  is a well-defined element of  $[0,+\infty]$ , and  $A=(\int f^p d\mu)^{1/p}$  is also well-defined, being understood that  $(+\infty)^{1/p}=+\infty$ . Similarly,  $B=(\int f^q d\mu)^{1/q}$  is a well-defined element of  $[0,+\infty]$ . Finally, the map  $fg:(\Omega,\mathcal{F})\to [0,+\infty]$  is non-negative and measurable, and  $C=\int fgd\mu$  is a well-defined element of  $[0+\infty]$ .

3.  $f^p$  can be viewed as  $f^p = \phi^p \circ f$ , where  $\phi^p$  is defined as in 2.

4. Suppose A = 0. Then  $\int f^p d\mu = 0$ , and since  $f^p$  is non-negative, we see that  $f^p = 0$   $\mu$ -a.s., and consequently f = 0  $\mu$ -a.s. So fg = 0  $\mu$ -a.s., and finally  $C = \int fg d\mu = 0$ . So  $C \leq AB$ . Similarly, B = 0 implies C = 0, and therefore C < AB.

- 5. Suppose  $A = +\infty$ . Then, either B = 0 or B > 0. If B = 0, then  $C \le AB$  is true from 4. If B > 0, then  $AB = +\infty$ , and consequently  $C \le AB$ . In any case, we see that  $C \le AB$ . Similarly,  $B = +\infty$  implies  $C \le AB$ .
- 6. Suppose  $A, B \in ]0, +\infty[$ . Let F = f/A and G = g/B. We have:

$$\int F^p d\mu = \int (f/A)^p d\mu = \frac{1}{A^p} \int f^p d\mu = 1$$

and similarly,  $\int G^p d\mu = 1$ .

7. Let  $a, b \in ]0, +\infty[$ . The map  $x \to -\ln(x)$  being convex on  $]0, +\infty[$ , since 1/p + 1/q = 1, we have:

$$-\ln(\frac{1}{p}a^p + \frac{1}{q}b^q) \le -\frac{1}{p}\ln(a^p) - \frac{1}{q}\ln(b^q) = -\ln(ab)$$

and consequently  $\ln(ab) \leq \ln(a^p/p + b^q/q)$ . The map  $x \to e^x$ 

being non-decreasing, we conclude that:

$$ab \le \frac{1}{p}a^p + \frac{1}{q}b^q \tag{1}$$

It is easy to check that inequality (1) is in fact true for all  $a, b \in [0, +\infty]$ .

8. For all  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,  $F(\omega)$  and  $G(\omega)$  are elements of  $[0, +\infty]$ . From 7.:

$$F(\omega)G(\omega) \le \frac{1}{p}F(\omega)^p + \frac{1}{q}G(\omega)^q$$

9. Integrating on both side of 8., we obtain:

$$\int FGd\mu \le \frac{1}{p} \int F^p d\mu + \frac{1}{q} \int G^q d\mu = 1$$

where we have used the fact that  $\int F^p d\mu = \int G^q d\mu = 1$ . Since  $\int FG d\mu = (\int fg d\mu)/AB = C/AB$ , we conclude that  $C \leq AB$ .

#### Exercise 2.

- 1.  $f^p$ ,  $g^p$  and  $(f+g)^p$  are all non-negative and measurable. All three integrals  $\int f^p d\mu$ ,  $\int g^p d\mu$  and  $\int (f+g)^p d\mu$  are therefore well-defined. It follows that A, B and C are well-defined elements of  $[0,+\infty]$ .
- 2. Since p > 1, the map  $x \to x^p$  is convex on  $]0, +\infty[$ . In particular, for all  $a, b \in ]0, +\infty[$ , we have  $((a+b)/2)^p \le (a^p + b^p)/2$ . We conclude that:

$$(a+b)^p \le 2^{p-1}(a^p + b^p) \tag{2}$$

In fact, it is easy to check that (2) holds for all  $a, b \in [0, +\infty]$ .

- 3. If  $A=+\infty$  or  $B=+\infty$ , then  $A+B=+\infty$ , and  $C\leq A+B$ . If C=0, then clearly  $C\leq A+B$ .
- 4. Using 2., for all  $\omega \in \Omega$ , we have:

$$(f(\omega) + g(\omega))^p \le 2^{p-1} (f(\omega)^p + g(\omega)^p)$$

Integrating on both side of the inequality, we obtain:

$$\int (f+g)^p d\mu \le 2^{p-1} \left( \int f^p d\mu + \int g^p d\mu \right) \tag{3}$$

If  $A < +\infty$  and  $B < +\infty$ , then both integrals  $\int f^p d\mu$  and  $\int g^p d\mu$  are finite, and we see from (3) that  $\int (f+g)^p d\mu$  is itself finite. So  $C < +\infty$ .

- 5. Take q = p/(p-1). Since  $p \in ]1, +\infty[$ , q is a well-defined element of  $\mathbf{R}^+$ , and 1/p + 1/q = 1.
- 6. Let  $a, b \in [0, +\infty]$ . If  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , then:

$$(a+b)^p = (a+b).(a+b)^{p-1}$$
(4)

If  $a = +\infty$  or  $b = +\infty$ , then  $a + b = +\infty$  and both sides of (4) are equal to  $+\infty$ . So (4) is true for all  $a, b \in [0, +\infty]$ .

7. Using holder's inequality (41), since q(p-1) = p, we have:

$$\int f \cdot (f+g)^{p-1} d\mu \le \left( \int f^p d\mu \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int (f+g)^{q(p-1)} d\mu \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} = AC^{\frac{p}{q}}$$
 and:

$$\int g \cdot (f+g)^{p-1} d\mu \le \left( \int g^p d\mu \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int (f+g)^{q(p-1)} d\mu \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} = BC^{\frac{p}{q}}$$

8. From 6., we have:

$$\int (f+g)^p d\mu = \int f \cdot (f+g)^{p-1} d\mu + \int g \cdot (f+g)^{p-1} d\mu$$

and using 7., we obtain:

$$\int (f+g)^p d\mu \le C^{\frac{p}{q}}(A+B)$$

9. From 8., we have  $C^p \leq C^{\frac{p}{q}}(A+B)$ . Having assumed in 5. that  $C \in ]0, +\infty[$ , we can divide both side of this inequality by  $C^{\frac{p}{q}}$ ,

to obtain  $C^{p-\frac{p}{q}} \leq A+B$ . Since p-p/q=1, we conclude that  $C \leq A+B$ .

10. If p = 1, then C = A + B is equivalent to:

$$\int (f+g)d\mu = \int f d\mu + \int g d\mu$$

which is true by linearity. In particular,  $C \leq A + B$ . The purpose of this exercise is to prove minkowski's inequality (43).

#### Exercise 3.

1. Let  $f:(\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \to (\mathbf{C}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{C}))$  be a map. Then, if f has values in  $\mathbf{R}$ , i.e.  $f(\Omega) \subseteq \mathbf{R}$ , then the measurability of f with respect to  $(\mathbf{C}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{C}))$  is equivalent to its measurability with respect to  $(\mathbf{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}))$ . Hence:

$$L_{\mathbf{R}}^{p}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu) = \{ f \in L_{\mathbf{C}}^{p}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu) , f(\Omega) \subseteq \mathbf{R} \}$$

The equivalence of measurability with respect to  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbf{C})$  and  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R})$  may be taken for granted by many. It is easily proved from the fact that  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}) = \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{C})_{|\mathbf{R}}$ , i.e. the Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra on  $\mathbf{R}$  is the trace on  $\mathbf{R}$ , of the Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra on  $\mathbf{C}$ . This fact can be seen from the trace theorem (10), and the fact that the usual topology on  $\mathbf{R}$  is induced on  $\mathbf{R}$ , by the usual topology on  $\mathbf{C}$ .

2. Let  $f, g \in L^p_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}$ . The map  $f + \alpha g$  is  $\mathbf{R}$ -valued and measurable. Moreover, we have  $|f + \alpha g| \leq |f| + |\alpha| \cdot |g|$ . Since  $p \geq 1$ , (and in particular  $p \geq 0$ ), the map  $x \to x^p$  is non-decreasing on  $\mathbf{R}^+$ , so  $|f + \alpha g|^p \leq (|f| + |\alpha| \cdot |g|)^p$ . Hence,

we see that  $\int |f + \alpha g|^p d\mu \le \int (|f| + |\alpha| \cdot |g|)^p d\mu$ . However, using minkowski's inequality (43), we have:

$$\left(\int (|f|+|\alpha|.|g|)^p d\mu\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq \left(\int |f|^p d\mu\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} + |\alpha|. \left(\int |g|^p d\mu\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

We conclude that  $\int |f+\alpha g|^p d\mu < +\infty$ . So  $f+\alpha g \in L^p_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , and we have proved that  $L^p_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  is closed under **R**-linear combinations.

- 3. The fact that  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  is closed under **C**-linear combinations, is proved identically to 2., replacing **R** by **C**.
- 4. Using  $|f+g|^p \leq (|f|+|g|)^p$  and minkowski's inequality (43):

$$\left(\int (|f|+|g|)^p d\mu\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \le \left(\int |f|^p d\mu\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} + \left(\int |g|^p d\mu\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

we see that  $||f + g||_p \le ||f||_p + ||g||_p$ .

- 5. Suppose  $||f||_p = 0$ . Then  $\int |f|^p d\mu = 0$ . Since  $|f|^p$  is nonnegative,  $|f|^p = 0$   $\mu$ -a.s., and consequently f = 0  $\mu$ -a.s. Conversely, if f = 0  $\mu$ -a.s., then  $|f|^p = 0$   $\mu$ -a.s., so  $\int |f|^p d\mu = 0$  and finally  $||f||_p = 0$ .
- 6. Let  $\alpha \in \mathbf{C}$ . We have:

$$\|\alpha f\|_p = \left(\int |\alpha f|^p\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} = |\alpha| \cdot \left(\int |f|^p\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} = |\alpha| \cdot \|f\|_p$$

7.  $||f-g||_p = 0$  only implies  $f = g \mu$ -a.s, and not necessarily f = g. So  $(f,g) \to ||f-g||_p$ , may not be a metric on  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ .

#### Exercise 4.

1. For all  $f:(\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \to (\mathbf{C}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{C}))$  with values in  $\mathbf{R}$ , the measurability of f with respect to  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbf{C})$  is equivalent to its measurability with respect to  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R})$ . Hence:

$$L_{\mathbf{R}}^{\infty}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu) = \{ f \in L_{\mathbf{C}}^{\infty}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu) , f(\Omega) \subseteq \mathbf{R} \}$$

2. Since  $||f||_{\infty} < +\infty$ , for all  $n \ge 1$ , we have  $||f||_{\infty} < ||f||_{\infty} + 1/n$ .  $||f||_{\infty}$  being the greatest lower bound of all  $\mu$ -almost sure upper bounds of |f|,  $||f||_{\infty} + 1/n$  cannot be such lower bound. There exists  $M \in \mathbf{R}^+$ , such that  $|f| \le M \mu$ -a.s., and  $M < ||f||_{\infty} + 1/n$ . In particular,  $|f| < ||f||_{\infty} + 1/n \mu$ -a.s. Let  $A_n$  be the set defined by  $A_n = \{||f||_{\infty} + 1/n \le |f|\}$ . Then  $A_n \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $\mu(A_n) = 0$ . Moreover,  $A_n \subseteq A_{n+1}$  and  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{+\infty} A_n = \{||f||_{\infty} < |f|\}$ . It follows that  $A_n \uparrow \{||f||_{\infty} < |f|\}$ , and from theorem (7), we see that:

$$\mu(\{\|f\|_{\infty} < |f|\}) = \lim_{n \to +\infty} \mu(A_n) = 0$$

We conclude that  $|f| \leq ||f||_{\infty} \mu$ -a.s.

3. Since  $|f+g| \le |f| + |g|$ , using 2., we have:

$$|f+g| \le ||f||_{\infty} + ||g||_{\infty} \mu$$
-a.s.

Hence,  $||f||_{\infty} + ||g||_{\infty}$  is a  $\mu$ -almost sure upper bound of |f+g|.  $||f+g||_{\infty}$  being a lower bound of all such upper bounds, we have  $||f+g||_{\infty} \leq ||f||_{\infty} + ||g||_{\infty}$ .

4. Let  $f, g \in L^{\infty}_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}$ . Then  $f + \alpha g$  is **R**-valued and measurable. Furthermore, using 2., we have:

$$|f + \alpha g| \le |f| + |\alpha| \cdot |g| \le ||f||_{\infty} + |\alpha| \cdot ||g||_{\infty} \mu$$
-a.s.

It follows that  $||f + \alpha g||_{\infty} \leq ||f||_{\infty} + |\alpha|.||g||_{\infty} < +\infty$ . We conclude that  $f + \alpha g \in L^{\infty}_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , and we have proved that  $L^{\infty}_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  is closed under **R**-linear combinations.

- 5. The fact that  $L^{\infty}_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  is closed under **C**-linear combinations can be proved identically, replacing **R** by **C**.
- 6. Suppose  $||f||_{\infty} = 0$ . Then  $|f| \le 0$   $\mu$ -a.s., and consequently f = 0  $\mu$ -a.s. Conversely, if f = 0  $\mu$ -a.s., then  $|f| \le 0$   $\mu$ -a.s., and 0 is

therefore a  $\mu$ -almost sure upper bound of |f|. So  $||f||_{\infty} \leq 0$ . Since  $||f||_{\infty}$  is an infimum of a subset of  $\mathbf{R}^+$ , it is either  $+\infty$  (when such subset is empty), or lies in  $\mathbf{R}^+$ . So  $||f||_{\infty} \geq 0$  and finally  $||f||_{\infty} = 0$ .

7. We have  $|\alpha f| \leq |\alpha| \cdot ||f||_{\infty} \mu$ -a.s., and hence  $||\alpha f||_{\infty} \leq |\alpha| \cdot ||f||_{\infty}$ . if  $\alpha \neq 0$ , we have:

$$||f||_{\infty} = ||\frac{1}{\alpha} \cdot (\alpha f)||_{\infty} \le \frac{1}{|\alpha|} ||\alpha f||_{\infty}$$

It follows that  $\|\alpha f\|_{\infty} = |\alpha| \cdot \|f\|_{\infty}$ , (also true if  $\alpha = 0$ ).

8.  $||f - g||_{\infty} = 0$  implies f = g  $\mu$ -a.s., but not f = g. It follows that  $(f, g) \to ||f - g||_{\infty}$  may not be a metric on  $L^{\infty}_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ .

#### Exercise 5.

- 1. Since  $N \neq \emptyset$ ,  $1_N \neq 0$ , so  $f \neq g$ . Since  $N \in \mathcal{F}$ , the map  $f = 1_N$  is measurable, and being **R**-valued, it is also **C**-valued. Moreover, since  $\mu(N) = 0$ ,  $\|f\|_p = 0 < +\infty$  (whether  $p = +\infty$  or lies in  $[1, +\infty[$ ), and we see that  $f \in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ . Since g = 0, it is **C**-valued, measurable and  $\|g\|_p = 0 < +\infty$ , so  $g \in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ .
- 2. Let U be open in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , such that  $f \in U$ . By definition (75), there exists  $\epsilon > 0$ , such that  $B(f, \epsilon) \subseteq U$ . However,  $\|f g\|_p = \|f\|_p = 0$   $(p = +\infty \text{ or } p \in [1, +\infty[)$ . So in particular  $\|f g\|_p < \epsilon$ . So  $g \in B(f, \epsilon)$  and finally  $g \in U$ .
- 3. If  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  was Hausdorff, since  $f \neq g$ , there would exist U, V open sets in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  such that  $f \in U$ ,  $g \in V$  and  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ . However from 2., this is impossible, as g would always be an element of U as well as V. We conclude similarly that  $L^p_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  is not Hausdorff.

**Exercise 6.** Let  $L^p_{\mathbf{R}}$  and  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}$  denote  $L^p_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  and  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  respectively. Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be the usual topology on  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}$  and  $\mathcal{T}'$  be the usual topology on  $L^p_{\mathbf{R}}$ . We want to prove that  $\mathcal{T}' = \mathcal{T}_{|L^p_{\mathbf{R}}}$ , i.e. that  $\mathcal{T}'$  is the topology on  $L^p_{\mathbf{R}}$  induced by  $\mathcal{T}$ . Given  $f \in L^p_{\mathbf{R}}$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ , let  $B(f, \epsilon)$  denote the open ball in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}$  and  $B'(f, \epsilon)$  denote the open ball the  $L^p_{\mathbf{R}}$ . Then  $B'(f, \epsilon) = B(f, \epsilon) \cap L^p_{\mathbf{R}}$ . It is a simple exercise to show that any open ball in  $L^p_{\mathbf{R}}$  or  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}$ , is in fact open with respect to their usual topology. Let  $U' \in \mathcal{T}'$ . For all  $f \in U'$ , there exists  $\epsilon_f > 0$  such that  $f \in B'(f, \epsilon_f) \subseteq U'$ . It follows that:

$$U' = \bigcup_{f \in U'} B'(f, \epsilon_f) = (\bigcup_{f \in U'} B(f, \epsilon_f)) \cap L_{\mathbf{R}}^p$$

and we see that  $U' \in \mathcal{T}_{|L^p_{\mathbf{R}}}$ . So  $\mathcal{T}' \subseteq \mathcal{T}_{|L^p_{\mathbf{R}}}$ . Conversely, let  $U' \in \mathcal{T}_{|L^p_{\mathbf{R}}}$ . There exists  $U \in \mathcal{T}$  such that  $U' = U \cap L^p_{\mathbf{R}}$ . Let  $f \in U'$ . Then  $f \in U$ . There exists  $\epsilon > 0$  such that  $B(f, \epsilon) \subseteq U$ . It follows that  $B'(f, \epsilon) = B(f, \epsilon) \cap L^p_{\mathbf{R}} \subseteq U'$ . So U' is open with respect to the usual topology in  $L^p_{\mathbf{R}}$ , i.e.  $U' \in \mathcal{T}'$ . We have proved that  $\mathcal{T}_{|L^p_{\mathbf{R}}} \subseteq \mathcal{T}'$ , and finally  $\mathcal{T}' = \mathcal{T}_{|L^p_{\mathbf{R}}}$ .

**Exercise 7.** let  $(E,\mathcal{T})$  be a topological space and  $E'\subseteq E$ . Let  $\mathcal{T}' = \mathcal{T}_{|E'|}$  be the induced topology on E'. We assume that  $(x_n)_{n\geq 1}$  is a sequence in E', and that  $x \in E'$ . Suppose that  $x_n \stackrel{\mathcal{T}}{\to} x$ . Let  $U' \in \mathcal{T}'$ be such that  $x \in U'$ . There exists  $U \in \mathcal{T}$  such that  $U' = U \cap E'$ . Since  $x \in U$  and  $x_n \xrightarrow{\mathcal{T}} x$ , there exists  $n_0 \geq 1$  such that  $x_n \in U$ for all  $n \geq n_0$ . But  $x_n \in E'$  for all  $n \geq 1$ . So  $x_n \in U \cap E' = U'$ for all  $n \geq n_0$ , and we see that  $x_n \stackrel{\mathcal{T}'}{\to} x$ . Conversely, suppose that  $x_n \xrightarrow{\mathcal{T}'} x$ . Let  $U \in \mathcal{T}$  be such that  $x \in U$ . Then  $U \cap E' \in \mathcal{T}'$  and  $x \in U \cap E'$ . There exists  $n_0 \ge 1$ , such that  $x_n \in U \cap E'$  for all  $n \ge n_0$ . In particular,  $x_n \in U$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ , and we see that  $x_n \stackrel{\mathcal{T}}{\to} x$ . We have proved that  $x_n \stackrel{\mathcal{T}'}{\to} x$  and  $x_n \stackrel{\mathcal{T}}{\to} x$  are equivalent.

# Exercise 8.

- 1. The notation  $f_n \to f$  has been used throughout these tutorials, to refer to a *simple* convergence, i.e.  $f_n(\omega) \to f(\omega)$  as  $n \to +\infty$ , for all  $\omega \in \Omega$ .
- 2. Suppose  $f_n \xrightarrow{L^p} f$ . Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . The open ball  $B(f, \epsilon)$  being open with respect to the usual topology in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , there exists  $n_0 \geq 1$ , such that  $f_n \in B(f, \epsilon)$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ , i.e.:

$$n \ge n_0 \implies ||f_n - f||_p < \epsilon$$

So  $||f_n - f||_p \to 0$ . Conversely, suppose  $||f_n - f||_p \to 0$ . Let U be open in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , such that  $f \in U$ . From definition (75), there exists  $\epsilon > 0$  such that  $B(f, \epsilon) \subseteq U$ . By assumption, there exists  $n_0 \geq 0$ , such that  $||f_n - f||_p < \epsilon$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ . So  $f_n \in B(f, \epsilon)$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ . Hence, we see that  $f_n \in U$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ , and we have proved that  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$ . We conclude that  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$  and  $||f_n - f||_p \to 0$  are equivalent.

3. Suppose  $f_n \xrightarrow{L^p} f$  and  $f_n \xrightarrow{L^p} g$ . From 2., we have  $||f_n - f||_p \to 0$  and  $||f_n - g||_p \to 0$ . Using the triangle inequality (ex. (3) for  $p \in [1, +\infty[$  and ex. (4) for  $p = +\infty$ ):

$$||f - g||_p \le ||f_n - f||_p + ||f_n - g||_p$$

for all  $n \ge 1$ . It follows that we have  $||f - g||_p < \epsilon$  for all  $\epsilon > 0$ , and consequently  $||f - g||_p = 0$ . From ex. (3) and ex. (4) we conclude that  $f = g \mu$ -a.s.

**Exercise 9.** Take  $f_n = 1_N = f$  for all  $n \ge 1$ . Take g = 0. Then  $f_n, f$  and g are all elements of  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , and  $f \ne g$ . Moreover, for all  $n \ge 1$ , we have  $||f_n - f||_p = ||f_n - g||_p = 0$ . So  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$  and  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} g$ . The purpose of this exercise is to show that a limit in  $L^p$  may not be unique  $(f \ne g)$ . However, it is unique, up to  $\mu$ -almost sure equality (See exercise (8)).

**Exercise 10.** Suppose  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$ . Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . There exists  $n_0 \ge 1$ , with:

$$n \ge n_0 \implies ||f_n - f||_p \le \epsilon/2$$

From the triangle inequality, for all  $n, m \geq 1$ :

$$||f_n - f_m||_p \le ||f_n - f||_p + ||f_m - f||_p$$

It follows that we have:

$$n, m \ge n_0 \implies ||f_n - f_m||_p \le \epsilon$$

We conclude that  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ . Exercise 10

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# Exercise 11.

1. Take  $\epsilon = 1/2$ . There exists  $n_1 \geq 1$ , such that:

$$n, m \ge n_1 \implies ||f_n - f_m||_p \le \frac{1}{2}$$

In particular, we have:

$$n \ge n_1 \implies ||f_n - f_{n_1}||_p \le \frac{1}{2}$$

2. Let  $k \geq 1$ . We have  $n_1 < \ldots < n_k$ , such that for all  $j = 1, \ldots, k$ :

$$n \ge n_j \implies \|f_n - f_{n_j}\|_p \le \frac{1}{2^j}$$

Take  $\epsilon = 1/2^{k+1}$ . There exists  $n'_{k+1} \ge 1$ , such that:

$$n, m \ge n'_{k+1} \implies ||f_n - f_m||_p \le \frac{1}{2^{k+1}}$$

Take  $n_{k+1} = \max(n_k + 1, n'_{k+1})$ . Then  $n_k < n_{k+1}$ , and:

$$n \ge n_{k+1} \implies ||f_n - f_{n_{k+1}}||_p \le \frac{1}{2^{k+1}}$$

3. By induction from 2., we can construct a strictly increasing sequence of integers  $(n_k)_{k>1}$ , such that for all  $k \geq 1$ :

$$n \ge n_k \implies ||f_n - f_{n_k}||_p \le \frac{1}{2^k}$$

In particular,  $||f_{n_{k+1}} - f_{n_k}||_p \le 1/2^k$  for all  $k \ge 1$ . It follows that we have found a subsequence  $(f_{n_k})_{k>1}$  of  $(f_n)_{n>1}$ , such that:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \|f_{n_{k+1}} - f_{n_k}\|_p < +\infty$$

### Exercise 12.

- 1. Each finite sum  $g_N = \sum_{n=1}^N |f_{n+1} f_n|$  is well-defined and measurable. It follows that  $g = \sup_{N \ge 1} g_N$  is itself measurable. It is obviously non-negative.
- 2. Suppose  $p = +\infty$ . From exercise (4), for all  $n \ge 1$ , we have:

$$|f_{n+1} - f_n| \le ||f_{n+1} - f_n||_{\infty}$$
,  $\mu$ -a.s.

The set  $N_n = \{|f_{n+1} - f_n| > ||f_{n+1} - f_n||_{\infty}\}$  which lies in  $\mathcal{F}$ , is such that  $\mu(N_n) = 0$ . It follows that if  $N = \bigcup_{n \ge 1} N_n$ , then  $\mu(N) = 0$ . However, for all  $\omega \in N^c$ , we have:

$$g(\omega) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} |f_{n+1}(\omega) - f_n(\omega)| \le \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} ||f_{n+1} - f_n||_{\infty}$$

We conclude that  $g \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ||f_{n+1} - f_n||_{\infty} \mu$ -a.s.

3. Let  $p \in [1, +\infty[$  and  $N \ge 1$ . By the triangle inequality (ex. (3)):

$$\left\| \sum_{n=1}^{N} |f_{n+1} - f_n| \right\|_{p} \le \sum_{n=1}^{N} \|f_{n+1} - f_n\|_{p} \le \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \|f_{n+1} - f_n\|_{p}$$

4. Let  $p \in [1, +\infty[$ . Given  $N \ge 1$ , let  $g_N = \sum_{n=1}^N |f_{n+1} - f_n|$ . Then  $g_N \to g$  as  $N \to +\infty$ . The map  $x \to x^p$  being continuous on  $[0, +\infty]$ , we have  $g_N^p \to g^p$ , and in particular  $g^p = \liminf g_N^p$  as  $N \to +\infty$ . Using Fatou's lemma (20), we see that:

$$\int g^p d\mu \le \liminf_{N \ge 1} \int g_N^p d\mu \tag{5}$$

However, from 3., we have  $||g_N||_p \le \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} ||f_{n+1} - f_n||_p$ , for all  $N \ge 1$ . Since  $p \ge 0$ , the map  $x \to x^p$  is non-decreasing on  $[0, +\infty]$ , and therefore:

$$\int g_N^p d\mu \le \left(\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \|f_{n+1} - f_n\|_p\right)^p \tag{6}$$

From inequalities (5) and (6), we conclude that:

$$\int g^p d\mu \le \left(\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \|f_{n+1} - f_n\|_p\right)^p$$

and finally:

$$\left(\int g^p d\mu\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \le \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \|f_{n+1} - f_n\|_p$$

5. Let  $p \in [1, +\infty]$ . If  $p = +\infty$ , from 2. we have:

$$g \le \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|f_{n+1} - f_n\|_p , \mu\text{-a.s.}$$
 (7)

By assumption, the series in (7) is finite. So  $g < +\infty$   $\mu$ -a.s. If  $p \in [1, +\infty[$ , from 4. we have:

$$\left(\int g^p d\mu\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \le \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \|f_{n+1} - f_n\|_p$$

So  $\int g^p d\mu < +\infty$ . Since  $(+\infty)\mu(\{g^p = +\infty\}) \leq \int g^p d\mu$ , we see that  $\mu(\{g^p = +\infty\}) = 0$  and finally  $g < +\infty$   $\mu$ -a.s.

6. Let  $A = \{g < +\infty\}$ . Let  $\omega \in A$ . Then  $g(\omega) < +\infty$ . The series  $\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} |f_{n+1}(\omega) - f_n(\omega)|$  is therefore finite. Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . There exists  $n_0 \ge 1$ , such that:

$$n \ge n_0 \implies \sum_{k=-n}^{+\infty} |f_{k+1}(\omega) - f_k(\omega)| \le \epsilon$$

Given  $m > n \ge n_0$ , we have:

$$|f_m(\omega) - f_n(\omega)| \le \sum_{k=n}^{m-1} |f_{k+1}(\omega) - f_k(\omega)| \le \epsilon$$

We conclude that the sequence  $(f_n(\omega))_{n\geq 1}$  is Cauchy in **C**. It therefore has a limit<sup>1</sup>, denoted  $z(\omega)$ .

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The completeness of **C** is proved in the next Tutorial.

- 7. From 6.,  $f_n(\omega) \to z(\omega) = f(\omega)$  for all  $\omega \in A$ . Since by definition,  $f(\omega) = 0$  for all  $\omega \in A^c$ , we see that  $f_n(\omega)1_A(\omega) \to f(\omega)$  for all  $\omega \in \Omega$ . Hence, we have  $f_n1_A \to f$ , and since  $f_n1_A$  is measurable for all  $n \geq 1$ , we see from theorem (17) that  $f = \lim f_n1_A$  is itself measurable. Since  $\mu(A^c) = 0$  and  $f_n(\omega) \to f(\omega)$  on A, we have  $f_n \to f$   $\mu$ -a.s.
- 8. Suppose  $p = +\infty$ . For all  $n \ge 1$ , we have:

$$|f_n - f_1| \le \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} |f_{k+1} - f_k| \le g$$

So  $|f_n| \leq |f_1| + g$ . Taking the limit as  $n \to +\infty$ , we obtain  $|f| \leq |f_1| + g$   $\mu$ -a.s. Let  $M = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} ||f_{n+1} - f_n||_{\infty}$ . Then by assumption,  $M < +\infty$  and from 2. we have  $g \leq M$   $\mu$ -a.s. Moreover, since  $f_1 \in L^{\infty}_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , using exercise (4), we have  $|f_1| \leq ||f_1||_{\infty} \mu$ -a.s. with  $||f_1||_{\infty} < +\infty$ . Hence, we see that

 $|f| \leq ||f_1||_{\infty} + M \mu$ -a.s., and consequently:

$$||f||_{\infty} \le ||f_1||_{\infty} + \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} ||f_{n+1} - f_n||_{\infty} < +\infty$$

f is therefore **C**-valued, measurable and with  $||f||_{\infty} < +\infty$ . We have proved that  $f \in L^{\infty}_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ .

9. Let  $p \in [1, +\infty[$ . The series  $\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} ||f_{n+1} - f_n||_p$  being finite, there exists  $n_0 \ge 1$ , such that:

$$n \ge n_0 \implies \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \|f_{k+1} - f_k\|_p \le 1$$

Let  $n \geq n_0$ . By the triangle inequality:

$$||f_n - f_{n_0}||_p \le \sum_{k=n_1}^{n-1} ||f_{k+1} - f_k||_p \le 1$$

Hence, we see that:

$$n \ge n_0 \implies \int |f_n - f_{n_0}|^p d\mu \le 1^p = 1$$
 (8)

From 6.,  $f_n(\omega) \to f(\omega)$  as  $n \to +\infty$ , for all  $\omega \in A$ , where  $\mu(A^c) = 0$ . In particular:

$$1_A|f - f_{n_0}|^p = \liminf_{n > 1} 1_A|f_n - f_{n_0}|^p$$

Using inequality (8) and Fatou's lemma (20), we obtain:<sup>2</sup>

$$\int |f - f_{n_0}|^p d\mu \le \liminf_{n \ge 1} \int |f_n - f_{n_0}|^p d\mu \le 1$$

In particular,  $\int |f - f_{n_0}|^p d\mu < +\infty$ . Since  $f - f_{n_0}$  is C-valued and measurable, we conclude that  $f - f_{n_0} \in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ .

10. Let  $p \in [1, +\infty]$ . If  $p = +\infty$ , then  $f \in L^{\infty}_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  was proved in 8. If  $p \in [1, +\infty[$ , we saw in 9. that  $f - f_{n_0} \in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  for

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Note that  $n \ge n_0 \ \Rightarrow \ u_n \le 1$  is enough to ensure  $\liminf_{n \ge 1} u_n \le 1$ .

some  $n_0 \geq 1$ . Since  $f_{n_0}$  is itself an element of  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , we conclude from exercise (3) that  $f = (f - f_{n_0}) + f_{n_0}$  is also an element of  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ .

11. The purpose of this exercise is to prove that given a sequence  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$  in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  such that  $\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \|f_{n+1} - f_n\|_p < +\infty$ , there exists  $f \in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , such that  $f_n \to f$   $\mu$ -a.s. We now assume that all  $f_n$ 's are in fact  $\mathbf{R}$ -valued, i.e.  $f_n \in L^p_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ . There exists  $f^* \in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  such that  $f_n \to f^*$   $\mu$ -a.s. However,  $f^*(\omega)$  may not be  $\mathbf{R}$ -valued for all  $\omega \in \Omega$ . Yet, if  $N \in \mathcal{F}$  is such that  $\mu(N) = 0$  and  $f_n(\omega) \to f^*(\omega)$  for all  $\omega \in N^c$ , then  $f^*$  is  $\mathbf{R}$ -valued on  $N^c$  (as a limit of an  $\mathbf{R}$ -valued sequence). If we define  $f = f^* 1_{N^c}$ , then f is  $\mathbf{R}$ -valued and measurable, with  $\|f\|_p = \|f^*\|_p < +\infty$ . So  $f \in L^p_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  and furthermore since  $f = f^*$   $\mu$ -a.s.,  $f_n \to f$   $\mu$ -a.s.

# Exercise 13.

- 1. Yes, there does exist  $f \in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  such that  $f_n \to f$   $\mu$ -a.s. This was precisely the object of the previous exercise.
- 2. Suppose  $p = +\infty$ , and let n < m. From exercise (4), we have  $|f_{m+1} f_n| \le ||f_{m+1} f_n||_{\infty} \mu$ -a.s. Furthermore, from the triangle inequality,  $||f_{m+1} f_n||_{\infty} \le \sum_{k=n}^m ||f_{k+1} f_k||_{\infty}$ . It follows that:

$$|f_{m+1} - f_n| \le \sum_{k=n}^{m} ||f_{k+1} - f_k||_{\infty} , \mu\text{-a.s.}$$
 (9)

3. Suppose  $p = +\infty$  and let  $n \ge 1$ . For all m > n, let  $N_m \in \mathcal{F}$  be such that  $\mu(N_m) = 0$ , and inequality (9) holds for all  $\omega \in N_m^c$ . Furthermore, since  $f_{m+1} \to f$   $\mu$ -a.s., let  $M \in \mathcal{F}$  be such that  $\mu(M) = 0$ , and  $f_{m+1}(\omega) \to f(\omega)$  for all  $\omega \in M^c$ . Then, if  $N = M \cup (\cup_{m>n} N_m)$ , we have  $N \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $\mu(N) = 0$  and for all

 $\omega \in \mathbb{N}^c$ ,  $f_{m+1}(\omega) \to f(\omega)$ , together with, for all m > n:

$$|f_{m+1}(\omega) - f_n(\omega)| \le \sum_{k=n}^m ||f_{k+1} - f_k||_{\infty}$$

Taking the limit as  $m \to +\infty$ , we obtain:

$$|f(\omega) - f_n(\omega)| \le \sum_{k=n}^{+\infty} ||f_{k+1} - f_k||_{\infty}$$

This being true for all  $\omega \in N^c$ , we have proved that:

$$|f - f_n| \le \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} ||f_{k+1} - f_k||_{\infty}, \ \mu\text{-a.s.}$$

From definition (74), we conclude that:

$$||f - f_n||_{\infty} \le \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} ||f_{k+1} - f_k||_{\infty}$$

4. Let  $p \in [1, +\infty[$  and n < m. From exercise (3), we have:

$$\left(\int |f_{m+1} - f_n|^p d\mu\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} = \|f_{m+1} - f_n\|_p \le \sum_{k=n}^m \|f_{k+1} - f_k\|_p$$

5. Let  $p \in [1, +\infty[$  and  $n \ge 1$ . Let  $N \in \mathcal{F}$  be such that  $\mu(N) = 0$ , and  $f_{m+1}(\omega) \to f(\omega)$  for all  $\omega \in N^c$ . Then, we have:

$$|f - f_n|^p 1_{N^c} = \liminf_{m > n} |f_{m+1} - f_n|^p 1_{N^c}$$

Using Fatou's lemma (20), we obtain:

$$\int |f - f_n|^p d\mu \le \liminf_{m > n} \int |f_{m+1} - f_n|^p d\mu$$

Hence, from 4. we see that:

$$\int |f - f_n|^p d\mu \le \left( \sum_{k=n}^{+\infty} \|f_{k+1} - f_k\|_p \right)^p$$

and consequently:

$$||f - f_n||_p \le \sum_{k=n}^{+\infty} ||f_{k+1} - f_k||_p$$

- 6. Let  $p \in [1, +\infty]$ . whether  $p = +\infty$  or  $p \in [1, +\infty[$ , from 3. and 5., for all  $n \ge 1$ , we have  $\|f f_n\|_p \le \sum_{k=n}^{+\infty} \|f_{k+1} f_k\|_p$ . Since by assumption, the series  $\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \|f_{k+1} f_k\|_p$  is finite, we conclude that  $\|f f_n\|_p \to 0$ , as  $n \to +\infty$ . It follows that not only  $f_n \to f$   $\mu$ -a.s., but also  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$ .
- 7. Suppose  $g \in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  is such that  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} g$ . Then  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$  together with  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} g$ . From ex. (8), f = g  $\mu$ -a.s. Furthermore, since  $f_n \to f$   $\mu$ -a.s., we see that  $f_n \to g$   $\mu$ -a.s. The purpose of this exercise (and the previous) is to prove theorem (44).

# Exercise 14.

- 1. Since  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$ , from exercise (10),  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ . Using exercise (11), there exists a sub-sequence  $(f_{n_k})_{k\geq 1}$  of  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$ , such that  $\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \|f_{n_{k+1}} f_{n_k}\|_p < +\infty$ .
- 2. Applying theorem (44) to the sequence  $(f_{n_k})_{k\geq 1}$ , there exists  $g\in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega,\mathcal{F},\mu)$ , such that  $f_{n_k}\to g$   $\mu$ -a.s.
- 3. Also from theorem (44), the convergence  $f_{n_k} \to g$   $\mu$ -a.s. and  $f_{n_k} \stackrel{L^p}{\to} g$  are equivalent. Hence, we also have  $f_{n_k} \stackrel{L^p}{\to} g$ . However, since by assumption  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$ , we see that  $f_{n_k} \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$ , and consequently from exercise (8), f = g  $\mu$ -a.s.
- 4. From 2.,  $f_{n_k} \to g \mu$ -a.s., and from 3.,  $f = g \mu$ -a.s. It follows that  $f_{n_k} \to f \mu$ -a.s. Given a sequence  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$  and f in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , such that  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$ , we have been able to extract a sub-sequence  $(f_{n_k})_{k\geq 1}$  such that  $f_{n_k} \to f \mu$ -a.s. This proves theorem (45).

**Exercise 15.** Suppose  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$  is a sequence in  $L^p_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , and  $f \in L^p_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  such that  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$ . Then in particular, all  $f_n$ 's and f are elements of  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  with  $\|f - f_n\|_p \to 0$  as  $n \to +\infty$ . From theorem (45), we can extract a sub-sequence  $(f_{n_k})_{k\geq 1}$  of  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$ , such that  $f_{n_k} \to f$   $\mu$ -a.s. This proves theorem (45), where  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  is replaced by  $L^p_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ . Anyone who feels there was very little to prove in this exercise, could make a very good point.

### Exercise 16.

1. Since  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$  is Cauchy in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , from exercise (11), we can extract a sub-sequence  $(f_{n_k})_{k\geq 1}$  of  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$ , such that:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \|f_{n_{k+1}} - f_{n_k}\|_p < +\infty$$

From theorem (44), there exists  $f \in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ , such that  $f_{n_k} \to f$   $\mu$ -a.s., as well as  $f_{n_k} \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$ .

2. Let  $\epsilon > 0$ .  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  being Cauchy, there exists  $n_0 \geq 1$ , such that:

$$n, m \ge n_0 \implies ||f_m - f_n||_p \le \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

Furthermore, since  $f_{n_k} \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$ , there exists  $k_0 \ge 1$ , such that:

$$k \ge k_0 \implies ||f - f_{n_k}||_p \le \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

However,  $n_k \uparrow +\infty$  as  $k \to +\infty$ . There exists  $k_0 \geq 1$ , such that  $k \geq k_0' \Rightarrow n_k \geq n_0$ . Choose an arbitrary  $k \geq \max(k_0, k_0')$ . Then  $||f - f_{n_k}||_p \leq \epsilon/2$  together with  $n_k \geq n_0$ . Hence, for all  $n \geq n_0$ , we have:

$$||f - f_n||_p \le ||f - f_{n_k}||_p + ||f_{n_k} - f_n||_p \le \epsilon$$

We have found  $n_0 \ge 1$  such that:

$$n \ge n_0 \implies ||f - f_n||_p \le \epsilon$$

This shows that  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$ . The purpose of this exercise, is to prove theorem (46). It is customary to say in light of this theorem, that  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  is *complete*, even though as defined in these tutorials,  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  is not strictly speaking a metric space.

**Exercise 17.** Let  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$  be a Cauchy sequence in  $L^p_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega,\mathcal{F},\mu)$ . Then in particular, it is a Cauchy sequence in  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ . From theorem (46), there exists  $f^* \in L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  such that  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f^*$ . Furthermore, from theorem (45), there exists a sub-sequence  $(f_{n_k})_{k\geq 1}$ of  $(f_n)_{n\geq 1}$ , such that  $f_{n_k}\to f^*$   $\mu$ -a.s. It follows that  $f^*$  is in fact **R**-valued  $\mu$ -almost surely. There exists  $N \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $\mu(N) = 0$ , such that  $f^*(\omega) \in \mathbf{R}$  for all  $\omega \in N^c$ . Take  $f = f^*1_{N^c}$ . Then f is **R**-valued, measurable and  $||f||_p = ||f^*||_p < +\infty$ . So  $f \in L^p_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ . Furthermore,  $||f - f_n||_p = ||f^* - f_n||_p \to 0$ , which shows that  $f_n \stackrel{L^p}{\to} f$ . This proves theorem (46), where  $L^p_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  is replaced by  $L^p_{\mathbf{R}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ . Exercise 17