

Lemma. Let H be a Hilbert space, and let $\{f_n\} \subset H$, $f_\infty \in H$. Then $\{f_n\}$ converges strongly to $f_\infty \in H$ if and only if that $\{f_n\}$ converges weakly to f_∞ with that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f_n\| = \|f_\infty\|$.

Proof. Let $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f_n = f_\infty$. It follows from the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality that $|\langle g, f_n - f_\infty \rangle|^2 \leq \|g\|^2 \cdot \|f_n - f_\infty\|^2$ for any $g \in H$, and as $n \rightarrow \infty$ we have $\langle g, f_n - f_\infty \rangle$ goes to 0 since $\|f_n - f_\infty\|^2 \rightarrow 0$ as $\{f_n\}$ converges strongly. On the other hand, it follows from triangle inequality that $|\|f_n\| - \|f_\infty\|| \leq \|f_n - f_\infty\|$ and by similar argument we get that $\{\|f_n\|\}$ converges to $\|f_\infty\|$ as real numbers.

Assume that $\{f_n\}$ converges weakly to f_∞ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f_n\| = \|f_\infty\|$.

Note that $\langle f_n - f_\infty, f_n - f_\infty \rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \|f_n\|^2 + \|f_\infty\|^2 - \langle f_n, f_\infty \rangle - \langle f_\infty, f_n \rangle \\ &= \|f_n\|^2 + \|f_\infty\|^2 - (\langle f_n, f_\infty \rangle - \langle f_\infty, f_n \rangle) - 2\langle f_\infty, f_n \rangle \\ &= \|f_n\|^2 - \|f_\infty\|^2 - 2\operatorname{Re}\langle f_n - f_\infty, f_\infty \rangle \end{aligned}$$

We have $\|f_n - f_\infty\|$ goes to 0 as n goes to ∞ since both $\|f_n\|^2 = \|f_\infty\|^2$ and $\langle f_n - f_\infty, -f_\infty \rangle$ has zero as their limits.

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