

On The Equivalence of Convergence and 2-Norm Convergence in Normed Spaces

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ABSTRACT

Let $(X, \|.\|)$ be a normed space and $\|., ..., \|_G$ be the *n*-norm given by Gähler. In this paper, we show that $\|.\|$ -convergence and $\|., ..., \|_G$ 2-convergence are equivalent.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The theory of 2-normed spaces was first introduced by Gähler [1,2] as an interesting linear generalizations of a normed space which was subsequently studied by many others. For a fixed number $2 \le n \in \mathbb{N}$, an *n*-norm on a real vector space *X* (dim(*X*) $\ge n$) is a mapping $\|., ..., .\|: X^n \to \mathbb{R}$ which satisfies the following four conditions:

- 1. $||x_1, ..., x_n|| = 0$ if and only if $x_1, ..., x_n$ are linearly independent,
- 2. $||x_1, \dots, x_n||$ invariant under permutation,
- 3. $||x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}, \alpha x_n|| = |\alpha| ||x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}, x_n||$ for any $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$,
- $\begin{array}{ll} 4. & \|x_1,\ldots,x_{n-1},y+z\|\leq \|x_1,\ldots,x_{n-1},y\|+\\ & \|x_1,\ldots,x_{n-1},z\|. \end{array}$

The pair $(X, \|., ..., .\|)$ is called an *n*-normed space. An example of an *n*-normed space is $X = \mathbb{R}^n$ equipped with the following *n*-norm:

where $x_i = (x_{i1}, ..., x_{in}) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ for each i = 1, 2, ..., n. For n = 2, this is the area of the parallelogram determined by the vectors x_1 and x_2 . Another example of an *n*-normed space is the space l_p with $1 \le p < \infty$ equipped with the following *n*-norm:

$$\|x_{1}, \dots, x_{n}\|_{p} = \left[\frac{1}{n!} \sum_{j_{1}} \dots \sum_{j_{n}} \left|\det(x_{ij_{k}})\right|^{p}\right]^{\frac{1}{p}}, i$$

= 1,2, ..., n.

The following definitions was first introduced by White [7]. A sequence (x_k) in an *n*-normed space (X, ||., ..., ||) is said to cenverge to an $x \in X$ if

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \|x_k - x, y_1, \dots, y_{n-1}\| = 0$$

for all $y_1, \dots, y_{n-1} \in X$.

Gähler showed that if (X, ||.||) is a normed space with dual X', the following Formula defines an *n*-norm on *X*

 $^{\|}x_1, \dots, x_n\| = \left| \det \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & \cdots & x_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{n1} & \cdots & x_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \right|$

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$$\begin{aligned} \|x_1, \dots, x_n\|_G \\ &= \sup_{\substack{f_{i \in X', \|f_i\| \le 1} \\ i=1, \dots, n}} \left| det \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x_1) & \cdots & f_n(x_1) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ f_1(x_n) & \cdots & f_n(x_n) \end{pmatrix} \right| \end{aligned}$$

So every normed space is an *n*-normed space. Conversely, if $(X, \|., ..., .\|)$ is an *n*-normed space and $\{a_1, ..., a_n\}$ is a linearly independent set in X, then the function

$$\|x\|_* = maks \|x, a_{i_2}, \dots, a_{i_n}\| : \{i_2, \dots, i_n\} \subset \{1, \dots, n\}$$

[4]. Then, we say that every n-normed space is a normed space. Another norm obtained from n-norm is the following

$$\|x\|^* = \sum_{\{i_2,\dots,i_n\} \subset \{1,\dots,n\}} \|x, a_{i_2}, \dots, a_{i_n}\|$$

[3]. These norms are called as derived norm on X with respect to linearly independent set $\{a_1, ..., a_n\}$. It is easily seen that the norms $\|.\|^*$ and $\|.\|_*$ are equivalent. Therefore, it is not importent which one taken in this work. There are two important question in this topic:

- 1. Let (*X*, ||.,..., ||) be an *n*-normed space. Is there any norm on *X* such that *n*-norm convergence and norm convergence are equivalent?
- 2. Let (*X*, ||. ||) be a normed space. Is there any *n*-norm on *X* such that norm convergence and *n*-norm convergence are equivalent?

The answer of first question has been obtained partially. Gunawan and Mashadi have shown that the answer is affirmative in a finite dimension *n*-normed space and the space l_p with $1 \le p < \infty$ in [4]. Turan and Bilici give affirmative answer for an almost 2-Banach lattices in [6]. In this study, we show that the second question has affirmative answer. We refer to [5] for definitions and notations not explained here.

2. MAIN RESULTS

To be effortless we will take n = 2 throughout the study. However, it can be given for an arbitrary $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $2 \le n$. Let $(X, \|.\|)$ be a normed space,

$$\|x_1, x_2\|_G = \sup_{\substack{f_i \in X', \|f_i\| \le 1\\ i=1,2}} \left| det \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x_1) & f_2(x_1) \\ f_1(x_2) & f_2(x_2) \end{pmatrix} \right|$$

be the 2-norm denoted by Gähler and

$$||x||_{G}^{*} = ||x,a||_{G} + ||x,b||_{G}$$

be derived norm with respect to linearly independent set $\{a, b\}$.

Lemma 1. Let (X, ||.||) be a normed space. For every $x_1, x_2 \in X$ the following inequality holds

$$||x_1, x_2||_G \le 2||x_1|| ||x_2||$$
.

Proof For every $x_1, x_2 \in X$ we have

$$\frac{2\|a,b\|_{G}}{(\|a\|+\|b\|)}\|x\| \le \|x\|_{G}^{*} \le 2(\|a\|+\|b\|)\|x\|.$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \|x_1, x_2\|_G \\ &= \sup_{\substack{f_i \in X', \|f_i\| \le 1 \\ i=1,2}} \left| det \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x_1) & f_2(x_1) \\ f_1(x_2) & f_2(x_2) \end{pmatrix} \right| \\ &= \sup_{\substack{f_i \in X', \|f_i\| \le 1 \\ i=1,2}} |f_1(x_1)f_2(x_2) - f_1(x_2)f_2(x_1)| \\ &\leq \sup_{\substack{f_i \in X', \|f_i\| \le 1 \\ i=1,2}} \{ |f_1(x_1)| |f_2(x_2)| + |f_1(x_2)| |f_2(x_1)| \} \\ &\leq \|x_1\| \|x_2\| + \|x_2\| \|x_1\| \\ &= 2\|x_1\| \|x_2\|. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 2. Let (X, ||.||) be a normed space. For every $x, y_1, y_2 \in X$, we have

$$||x|| ||y_1, y_2||_G \le 2||y_2|| ||x, y_1||_G + ||y_1|| ||x, y_2||_G.$$

Proof For every $x, y_1, y_2 \in X$ we get

$$\begin{split} \|x\|\|\|y_{1}, y_{2}\|_{G} &= \|x\| \sup_{\substack{f_{i} \in X', \|f_{i}\| \leq 1 \\ i=1,2}} \left| det \begin{pmatrix} f_{1}(y_{1}) & f_{2}(y_{1}) \\ f_{1}(y_{2}) & f_{2}(y_{2}) \end{pmatrix} \right| \\ &= \|x\| \sup_{\substack{f_{i} \in X', \|f_{i}\| \leq 1 \\ i=1,2}} |f_{1}(y_{1})f_{2}(y_{2}) \\ &= \int_{f_{i} \in X', \|f_{i}\| \leq 1} |f_{3}(x)| \sup_{\substack{f_{i} \in X', \|f_{i}\| \leq 1 \\ i=1,2}} |f_{1}(y_{1})f_{2}(y_{2}) \\ &= \int_{f_{i} \in X', \|f_{i}\| \leq 1} |f_{3}(x)f_{1}(y_{1})f_{2}(y_{2}) \\ &= \int_{f_{i} \in X', \|f_{i}\| \leq 1} |f_{3}(x)f_{1}(y_{2})f_{2}(y_{1})| \\ &= \int_{f_{i} \in X', \|f_{i}\| \leq 1} |f_{3}(x)f_{1}(y_{1})f_{2}(y_{2}) - f_{3}(y_{1})f_{1}(x)f_{2}(y_{2}) + f_{3}(y_{1})f_{1}(x)f_{2}(y_{2}) \\ &= \int_{f_{i} \in X', \|f_{i}\| \leq 1} |f_{3}(x)f_{1}(y_{1})f_{2}(y_{2}) - f_{3}(y_{1})f_{1}(x)f_{2}(y_{2}) + f_{3}(x)f_{1}(y_{2})f_{2}(x) - f_{3}(x)f_{1}(y_{2})f_{2}(y_{1})| \\ &= \sup_{f_{i} \in X', \|f_{i}\| \leq 1} |f_{2}(y_{2})[f_{3}(x)f_{1}(y_{1}) - f_{3}(y_{1})f_{1}(x)] \\ &+ \int_{f_{i} \in X', \|f_{i}\| \leq 1} |f_{2}(y_{2})[f_{3}(x)f_{1}(y_{1}) - f_{3}(x)f_{2}(y_{1})] | \\ &\leq \sup_{f_{i} \in X', \|f_{i}\| \leq 1} |f_{2}(y_{2})[f_{3}(x)f_{1}(y_{1}) \\ &= \int_{f_{i} \in X', \|f_{i}\| \leq 1} |f_{2}(y_{2})[f_{3}(x)f_{1}(y_{1}) \\ &+ \int_{f_{i} \in X', \|f_{i}\| \leq 1} |f_{3}(y_{1})[f_{1}(x)f_{2}(y_{2}) - f_{1}(y_{2})f_{2}(x)] | \\ &+ \sup_{i=1,2,3} |f_{3}(y_{1})[f_{1}(x)f_{2}(y_{2}) - f_{1}(y_{2})f_{2}(x)]| \\ &+ \sup_{i=1,2,3} |f_{3}(y_{1})[f_{1}(x)f_{2}(y_{2}) - f_{1}(y_{2})f_{2}(x)]| \end{aligned}$$

+
$$\sup_{\substack{f_{i\in X', ||f_i|| \le 1} \\ i=1,2,3}} |f_1(y_2)[f_3(y_1)f_2(x) - f_3(x)f_2(y_1)]|$$

$$\leq \|y_2\| \|x, y_1\|_G + \|y_1\| \|x, y_2\|_G \\ + \|y_2\| \|x, y_1\|_G$$
$$= 2\|y_2\| \|x, y_1\|_G$$

 $+ \|y_1\|\|x, y_2\|_G.$

Proposition 1. Let $(X, \|.\|)$ be a normed space, $\|., \|_G$ be the 2-norm obtained from norm and $\|.\|_G^*$ be derived norm with respect to linearly independent set $\{a, b\}$. Then, the following inequality holds

Proof By the inequality in Lemma 1, for any $x \in X$ we obtain

 $\begin{aligned} \|x\|_{G}^{*} &= \|x, a\|_{G} + \|x, b\|_{G} \leq 2\|x\| \|a\| + 2\|x\| \|b\| \\ &\leq 2(\|a\| + \|b\|) \|x\|. \end{aligned}$

From the inequality in Lemma 2, we have

$$||x|||a,b||_{G} \le 2||b|||x,a||_{G} + ||a|||x,b||_{G}$$

$$\le 2(||a|| + ||b||)||x||_{G}^{*}.$$

Theorem 1. Let $(X, \|.\|)$ be a normed space. A sequence in *X* convergent in the norm $\|.\|$ if and only if it is convergent in the 2-norm $\|.,.\|_G$.

Proof If (x_k) converges to an $x \in X$ in the norm, then

$$\lim_{k\to\infty}\|x_k-x\|=0.$$

Hence, for every $y \in X$, we have

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} ||x_k - x, y||_G \le \lim_{k \to \infty} 2||x_k - x|| ||y|| = 0$$

It has been proved that $(x_k) \parallel_{.,.} \parallel_G$ -converges to x. Conversely, let $(x_k) \subseteq X \parallel_{.,.} \parallel_G$ - converges to $x \in X$, that is,

$$\lim_{k\to\infty} \|x_k - x, y\|_G = 0$$

for every $y \in X$. Let $\{a, b\}$ be a linearly independent set in *X*. Then, we have

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} ||x_k - x, a||_G = 0 \text{ and } \lim_{k \to \infty} ||x_k - x, b||_G = 0$$

so

$$\lim \|x_k - x\|^* = 0.$$

This implies, by Proposition 1,

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \|x_k - x\| = 0$$

as required.

A sequence (x_k) in an *n*-normed space X is called a Cauchy sequence if

$$\lim_{k,l\to\infty} \|x_k - x_l, y_1, \dots, y_{n-1}\| = 0$$

for all $y_1, ..., y_{n-1} \in X$ and all k, l. An *n*-normed space in which every Cauchy sequence is convergent is called an *n*-Banach space. We can give the following result from the above theorem.

Corollary 1. Let (X, ||.||) be a normed space. X is a Banach space if and only if X is a 2-Banach space.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflict of interest was declared by the authors.

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