

DIFFERENTIABILITY OF CONVEX FUNCTIONS AND RYBAKOV'S THEOREM

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ABSTRACT. Rybakov proved that if $\mu: \Sigma \rightarrow X$ is a countably additive Banach space valued measure on a σ -algebra Σ , then there is an element $x^* \in X^*$ so that $\mu \ll x^*\mu$. In this note, we show that Rybakov's theorem follows essentially from a classical result of Mazur on the Gateaux differentiability of convex functions.

Suppose that (Ω, Σ) is a measurable space, X is a (real) Banach space with dual X^* , and $\mu: \Sigma \rightarrow X$ is a countably additive vector valued measure. Let $ca(\Sigma)$ denote the Banach space ($\|\nu\| = |\nu|(\Omega)$) of all countably additive real valued measures defined on Σ . If $\nu, \lambda \in ca(\Sigma)$, then $D(\nu, \lambda)$ will denote $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} (1/t)(\|\nu + t\lambda\| - \|\nu\|)$, provided this limit exists. The one-sided limits will be denoted by $D^+(\nu, \lambda)$ and $D^-(\nu, \lambda)$. Since the norm is a convex function, $D^+(\nu, \lambda) \geq D^-(\nu, \lambda)$; also, $D(\nu, \lambda)$ exists iff $D^+(\nu, \lambda) = -D^+(\nu, -\lambda) = D^-(\nu, \lambda)$.

We begin our demonstration of Rybakov's theorem by showing that if $D(\nu, \lambda)$ exists, then $\lambda \ll \nu$. Write $\lambda = \lambda_a + \lambda_s$, where $\lambda_a \ll |\nu|$ and $|\lambda_s| \perp |\nu|$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} D^+(\nu, \lambda) &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} (1/t)(\|\nu + t\lambda\| - \|\nu\|) \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} (1/t)(\|\nu + t\lambda_a\| - \|\nu\| + \|t\lambda_s\|) = D^+(\nu, \lambda_a) + \|\lambda_s\|. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, $D^-(\nu, \lambda) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^-} (1/t)(\|\nu + t\lambda\| - \|\nu\|) = D^-(\nu, \lambda_a) - \|\lambda_s\|$. If $D(\nu, \lambda)$ exists, then $0 \leq D^+(\nu, \lambda_a) - D^-(\nu, \lambda_a) = -2\|\lambda_s\|$. Consequently, $\|\lambda_s\| = 0$ and $\lambda \ll \mu$.

Next, let (x_n^*) be a sequence of points in the unit ball of X^* so that $\mu \ll \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1/2^n) |x_n^* \mu|$ [1; 2, p. 12; 3]. Modifying the outline of Mazur's theorem in [4, p. 450], for $y^* \in X^*$ and $m \in \mathbb{N}$, put $\mathcal{D}(y^*, m) = \{x^* \in X^* : D^+(x^*\mu, y^*\mu) + D^+(x^*\mu, -y^*\mu) < 1/m\}$. Now let $x_0^* \in X^*$ and set $g(t) = \|(x_0^* + ty^*)\mu\|$ for $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Thus g is a continuous convex function, and consequently g is differentiable at all but countably many points. But if g is differentiable at t_0 , then $D((x_0^* + t_0 y^*)\mu, y^*\mu)$ exists, i.e. $D^+((x_0^* + t_0 y^*)\mu, y^*\mu) = -D^+((x_0^* + t_0 y^*)\mu, -y^*\mu)$ and $x_0^* + t_0 y^* \in \mathcal{D}(y^*, m)$. Therefore $\mathcal{D}(y^*, m)$ is a dense subset of X^* for each $y^* \in X^*$ and each $m \in \mathbb{N}$. Furthermore, the set

$$A_k = \{x^* \in X^* : k(\|x^*\mu + (1/k)y^*\mu\| - \|x^*\mu\| + \|x^*\mu - (1/k)x^*\mu\| - \|y^*\mu\|) < 1/m\}$$

is certainly open for all positive integers k and m . And because of the monotonicity of the difference quotients of a convex function, $\mathcal{D}(y^*, m) = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k$, a dense open set. Consequently, by the Baire category theorem, $\bigcap_{m=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{D}(y^*, m)$ is a dense G_δ for each $y^* \in X^*$, and $D(x^*\mu, y^*\mu)$ exists for each x^* in this intersection. Hence $\mathcal{D} = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{m=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{D}(x_n^*, m)$ is a dense G_δ , and $\mu \ll x^*\mu$ for each $x^* \in \mathcal{D}$.

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