

# Convex Conjugate of A Bounded Linear Functional on $L^p$ - Space

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**Introduction:**

An  $L^p$ - space is a normed linear space  $X$  and the mapping  $\Gamma: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ (the set of real numbers) satisfying the linearity property given by  $\Gamma(\alpha f + \beta g) = \alpha \Gamma(f) + \beta \Gamma(g)$  and there is a constant  $M$  such that  $|\Gamma(f)| \leq M \cdot \|f\|$

Further, the norm of  $\Gamma$  can be defined by  $\|\Gamma\| = \sup \frac{|\Gamma(f)|}{\|f\|}$  ..... (1.1)

If in  $X$ ,  $\|f\|_p = \left(\int_0^1 |f|^p\right)^{1/p}$ , then  $X[0, 1]$  is the space of real valued functions with  $p$  to be a non negative real number that satisfies  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  for some real number  $q$ , and all such functions  $f$  are in this space  $L^p[0,1]$  of  $\int_0^1 |f|^p < \infty$ .  $L^p[0, 1]$  space here after conveniently be called  $L^p$ .

Properties of  $L^p[0, 1]$ :

- 1.1.  $\|\alpha f\|_p \leq |\alpha| \|f\|_p$
- 1.2.  $\|f + g\|_p \leq \|f\|_p + \|g\|_p$  called the Minkowski Inequality
- 1.3.  $\|f\|_p = 0 \leftrightarrow f = \bar{0}$
- 1.4. The precondition  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  in  $L^p$  -space gives that there is another normed linear space  $L^q$  - space that realizes  $f \in L^p$  and  $g \in L^q$  such that  $f \cdot g \in L^1[0,1]$  with the property  $\int |f \cdot g| \leq \|f\|_p \|g\|_q$

This property is called the Holder’s inequality.

Observe that the boundedness of each member  $f \in L^p$  by  $\int_0^1 |f|^p < \infty$  ascertains that, if  $\{f_n\}$  is monotonic and converging to  $f$  in  $L^p$ , then  $\|f_n - f\|_p \rightarrow 0$  which shows that  $f \in L^p$  and so,  $L^p$  - space is complete leading to  $L^p$  - space is a Banach Space. if monotonicity is not considered, then  $\{f_n\}$  convergence will become pointwise. also, showing the convergence of a Cauchy sequence within the  $L^p$  space will confirm the completeness of  $L^p$  - space.

The major question of how to realize the suitable  $f \in L^p$  for the given  $g \in L^q$ - space?

For this, there is a two step construction that a sequence of simple functions  $\{\varphi_n\}$  and a sequence of continuous functions  $\{\psi_n\}$  in view of Littlewood’s principles that

$$\|f - \varphi_n\|_p < \varepsilon \text{ and } \|f - \psi_n\|_p < \varepsilon$$

Now, the existence of  $\Gamma: L^p \rightarrow L^q$  for each  $g \in L^q$  that satisfies the relevant  $f \in L^p$  such that  $\Gamma(f) = \int_0^1 f \cdot g$  with  $\|\Gamma\| = \|g\|_q$

**Abstract:** if  $\Gamma: L^p \rightarrow L^q$  is a linear functional having  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ , for each  $g \in L^q$  that realizes the relevant  $f \in L^p$  such that

$\Gamma(f) = \int_0^1 f \cdot g$  with  $\|\Gamma\| = \|g\|_q$ , then there is a convex complement of  $\Gamma$  given by  $\Lambda: L^q \rightarrow L^p$  with the property  $\alpha\Gamma + \beta\Lambda = 1$  for some  $0 < \alpha < 1$  and  $\beta = 1 - \alpha$ . if  $\alpha = 0$  or  $\alpha = 1$ , then the functionals  $\Gamma$  and  $\Lambda$  will become singular and so, will not satisfy the contraction principle. Recollect that, if  $\{\varphi_n\}$  converges to  $f$  in  $L^p$  - space, then  $\|\Gamma(f) - \Gamma(\varphi_n)\|_p \leq \|\Gamma\| \|f - \varphi_n\|_p$  and by the properties of the linear functional  $\Gamma$ , it is known that  $\|\Gamma\| = \|g\|_q$ . Using this,  $\|\Gamma(f) - \Gamma(\varphi_n)\|_p \leq \|g\|_q \|f - \varphi_n\|_p$ . since  $L^p$  &  $L^q$  are linear spaces on the set of real numbers with the symmetric condition  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ , by interchanging the roles of  $f$  and  $g$  in the Riesz – representation theorem, for each  $\Lambda: L^q \rightarrow L^p$  and  $g \in L^q$ , there corresponds a unique  $f \in L^p$  with  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  such that  $\|\Lambda(g) - \Lambda(\psi_n)\|_q \leq \|\Lambda\| \|g - \psi_n\|_q$

Section 1: *Norm of the convex conjugate operator*

Theorem 1.1: for each  $f$  in  $L^p$ ,  $g$  in  $L^q$ , there exists a unique pair of linear functionals  $\Gamma: L^p \rightarrow L^q$  and  $\Lambda: L^q \rightarrow L^p$  such that  $\Gamma(f) = \int_0^1 f g \, d\mu = \Lambda(g)$  with  $\|\Gamma\| = \|g\|_q$  and  $\|\Lambda\| = \|f\|_p$

Proof: there is a sequence of simple functions that estimate  $\{\psi_n\}$  that converges to  $g$  in  $L^q$  space and while  $L^q$ - space is complete,  $g \in L^q$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\Lambda(g) &= \int_0^1 gf \, d\mu = \int_0^1 |f|^p \, d\mu \\ &= (\|f\|_p)^p = (\|f\|_p)^{p-1+1} \\ &= (\|f\|_p)^{p-1} (\|f\|_p)^1 \\ &= (\|f\|_p)^{\frac{p}{q}} (\|f\|_p)^1 \\ &= \|g\|_q \|f\|_p\end{aligned}$$

But by (1.1),  $\|\Lambda\| = \sup \frac{|\Lambda(g)|}{\|g\|}$

That means,  $\|\Lambda\| \geq \frac{|\Lambda(g)|}{\|g\|_q}$  or  $|\Lambda(g)| \leq \|\Lambda\| \|g\|_q$

$$\|\Lambda\| \|g\|_q \geq \|g\|_q \|f\|_p$$

$$\|\Lambda\| \geq \|f\|_p$$

Also, Holder's inequality leads to  $|\Lambda(g)| = \left| \int_0^1 gf \, d\mu \right| \leq \|g\|_q \|f\|_p$

Consequently,  $\|\Lambda\| \leq \|f\|_p$  and thus  $\|\Lambda\| = \|f\|_p$

Result: 1.1: by 1.4.,  $gf \in L^1$  and the indefinite integral  $\int_0^t gf \, d\mu$  is a continuous function for  $0 \leq t \leq 1$  saying that  $\Lambda(g)$  is a continuous function on  $L^1$ .

## Section 2: Convexity of the operator $\Lambda$

Theorem 2.1: if  $f \in L^p$ ,  $g \in L^q$ , then  $\alpha \Gamma(f) + (1 - \alpha)\Lambda(g) = \Gamma(f) = \Lambda(g)$  for each  $0 < \alpha < 1$ .

Proof:  $\Gamma(f) = \int_0^1 fg \, d\mu = \Lambda(g)$ , then  $\alpha f \in L^p$  for every scalar  $\alpha$ ,  $(1 - \alpha)g \in L^q$ .

$$\int_0^1 \alpha fg \, d\mu = \alpha \Gamma(f) \text{ and } \int_0^1 (1 - \alpha)fg \, d\mu = (1 - \alpha) \Lambda(g)$$

So,  $\alpha \Gamma(f) + (1 - \alpha) \Lambda(g) = \int_0^1 fg \, d\mu = \Gamma(f) = \Lambda(g)$

Result 2.1:  $\|\Gamma\| = \|g\|_q$  shows that  $\Gamma$  is a bounded linear functional on  $L^p$  while  $\int_0^1 |g|^q \, d\mu < \infty$ . Also,  $\Gamma(f) = \Lambda(g)$  for some  $f \in L^p$  &  $g \in L^q$ . this shows that  $\Lambda$  is a bounded linear functional on  $L^q$ .

Definition 2.1: The bounded linear functional  $\Lambda$  on  $L^q$  is the convex conjugate of  $\Gamma$  on  $L^p$  with the property with  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$

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