

AN APPLICATION OF A BERNSTEIN-TYPE INEQUALITY
FOR FRACTIONAL DERIVATIVES TO SOME
PROBLEMS OF MODULAR SPACES

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Summary. Applying an inequality of Bernstein type for fractional derivatives in Orlicz metric generated by a convex function φ , there are established relations between modulars $\varrho(a, x) = \int_a^b \varphi(|D^\alpha x(t)|) dt + |x(0)|$, $0 < \alpha \leq 1$, in a class X of functions x defined by (1). These relations are given by inequality (2), which is applied to investigate modular spaces \bar{X} and \underline{X} defined in 2.1 and X_ϱ defined in 2.5.

1.1. Let X be the class of complex-valued functions x defined in the interval (a, b) ($(a, b) = (-\infty, \infty)$ or $0 < b - a < \infty$), which are of the form

$$(1) \quad x(t) = \int_{-R}^R e^{itu} d\omega(u),$$

where $R > 0$ and ω is a function of bounded variation in $[-R, R]$, R and ω dependent on x , and which are $(b-a)$ -periodic in case of $b-a < \infty$. It is easily observed that X is a vector space. If $x \in X$ is of the form (1), then the derivative $D^\alpha x$ of x with $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ may be defined as

$$D^\alpha x(t) = \int_{-R}^R i^\alpha u^\alpha e^{itu} d\omega(u)$$

(see [2], p. 662). It is obvious that $D^\alpha x$ are continuous functions in $(-\infty, \infty)$, $D^0 x(t) = x(t)$ and $D^1 x(t) = x'(t)$ (the derivative in the usual sense). Moreover, the operator D^α is linear in X .

1.2. Now, let φ be a convex function defined for $u \geq 0$, $\varphi(u) = 0$, iff $u = 0$. We define the following functionals for $x \in X$:

$$\varrho(a, x) = \int_a^b \varphi(|D^\alpha x(t)|) dt + |x(0)| \text{ for } 0 < \alpha \leq 1.$$

This is a family of convex modulars depending on the parameter $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ (in the sense of [4]), i. e.

(1a) $\varrho(a, 0) = 0$,

(1b) if $\varrho(a, x) = 0$ for all $0 < \alpha \leq 1$, then $x = 0$,

- (2') $\varrho(\alpha, e^{ic}x) = \varrho(\alpha, x)$ for all real c ,
 (3') $\varrho(\alpha, \lambda_1 x + \lambda_2 y) \leq \lambda_1 \varrho(\alpha, x) + \lambda_2 \varrho(\alpha, y)$ for $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \geq 0, \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 1$,
 (4') $\varrho(\alpha, x)$ is a Lebesgue measurable function of $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ for every $x \in X$.

1.3. We shall now investigate the relations between $\varrho(\alpha, x)$ for different values of α . For this purpose we estimate the function $g(t) = \int_{-R}^R \mu(u) \gamma(u) e^{itu} d\omega(u)$ by means of the function $f(t) = \int_{-R}^R \gamma(u) e^{itu} d\omega(u)$ for $\gamma(u) = i^\alpha u^\alpha, \mu(u) = i^{\beta-\alpha} u^{\beta-\alpha}, 0 < \alpha < \beta \leq 1$. In [3] there were investigated the connections between the norms of the functions f and g in Orlicz spaces $L^\varphi(-\infty, \infty)$ and $L^\varphi(a, b)$ (the second one in $(b-a)$ -periodic case). Here, we shall consider connections between the respective modulars. Taking $p(\nu) = \nu \pi/R$ for $\nu = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$ and $\mu(u) = e^{iku} = \sum_{\nu=-\infty}^{\infty} c_\nu e^{i(p(\nu)u)}$ for $u \in [-R, R]$ and some $k \geq 0$, where $\sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} |c_\nu| < \infty$, we have

$$g(t) = \sum_{\nu=-\infty}^{\infty} c_\nu f[p(\nu) - k + t] \text{ for } -\infty < t < \infty \text{ (see [3]).}$$

Moreover, taking $x(t)$ of the form (1), we have $D^\alpha x(t) = f(t)$ and $D^\beta x(t) = g(t)$.

1.4. Lemma 1. Applying the notation of 1, 3, we have

$$\int_a^b \varphi(|g(t)|) dt \leq \int_a^b \varphi(|f(t)| \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} |c_\nu|) dt.$$

Proof. Denoting $g_n(t) = \sum_{\nu=-n}^n c_\nu f[p(\nu) - k + t]$ and applying Fatou lemma, we have

$$\int_a^b \varphi(|g(t)|) dt \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b \varphi(|g_n(t)|) dt.$$

Now, applying Jensen's inequality for convex functions, we obtain

$$\int_a^b \varphi(|g_n(t)|) dt \leq \int_a^b \varphi(|f(t)| \sum_{\nu=-n}^n |c_\nu|) dt \leq \int_a^b \varphi(|f(t)| \sum_{\nu=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_\nu|) dt.$$

Collecting the above two inequalities we get the desired result.

1.5. Theorem 1. If $0 < \alpha < \beta \leq 1$ and $x \in X$ is of the form (1) then

$$(2) \quad \varrho(\beta, x) \leq \varrho(\alpha, 7R^{\beta-\alpha} x/(\beta-\alpha)) + (1 - 7R^{\beta-\alpha}/(\beta-\alpha)) |x(0)|.$$

Proof. Applying the above lemma and the inequality $\sum_{\nu=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_\nu| \leq 7R^{\beta-\alpha}/(\beta-\alpha)$ (see [2] or [3], Theorem 3), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \varrho(\beta, x) &\leq \int_a^b \varphi(|f(t)| \sum_{\nu=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_\nu|) dt + |x(0)| \leq \int_a^b \varphi((\beta-\alpha)^{-1} 7R^{\beta-\alpha} |f(t)|) dt + |x(0)| \\ &= \varrho(\alpha, 7R^{\beta-\alpha} x/(\beta-\alpha)) + (1 - 7R^{\beta-\alpha}/(\beta-\alpha)) |x(0)|. \end{aligned}$$

2.1. Now, we shall investigate the modular space X_{ϱ_α} , defined by means of the convex pseudomodular $\varrho_\alpha(x) = \varrho(\alpha, x), 0 < \alpha \leq 1$, in the following manner:

$$X_{\varrho_a} = \{x: x \in X \text{ and } \varrho_a(\lambda x) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \lambda \rightarrow 0\}.$$

Evidently, we have $X_{\varrho_a} = \{x: x \in X \text{ and } D^a x \in L^\varphi(a, b)\}$. It is easily seen that

$$(3) \quad X_{\varrho_a} \subset X_{\varrho_\beta} \text{ for } 0 < a \leq \beta \leq 1;$$

this follows from the inequality [2]. Let us remark that if $0 < b-a < \infty$, i. e. X consists of $(b-a)$ -periodic functions of the form (1), then $X_{\varrho_a} = X$ for all $a \in (0, 1)$, because then $D^a x$ are continuous in $[a, b]$ and so $D^a x \in L^\varphi(a, b)$. Hence in the subsequent investigation of relations between spaces X_{ϱ_a} with various a , we limit ourselves to the case $(a, b) = (-\infty, \infty)$. Let us denote

$$\bar{X} = \bigcup_{0 < a < 1} X_{\varrho_a} \quad \text{and} \quad \underline{X} = \bigcap_{0 < a < 1} X_{\varrho_a}.$$

By (3), we may write

$$\bar{X} = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} X_{\varrho_{1-1/2^n}} \quad \text{and} \quad \underline{X} = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} X_{\varrho_{1/2^n}}.$$

First, we prove the following proposition concerning \bar{X} :

2.2. Let \bar{W}_φ^1 be the space of functions x in $(-\infty, \infty)$ possessing the derivative $x'(t)$ for all $t \in (-\infty, \infty)$ and such that $x' \in L^\varphi(-\infty, \infty)$. Then $\bar{X} \subset \bar{W}_\varphi^1 \cap X$.

Indeed, we have evidently $\bar{X} \subset X$. Supposing $x \in \bar{X}$, we have $D^a x \in L^\varphi(-\infty, \infty)$ for $0 < a < 1$, and so

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(\lambda 7(R^{1-a}/(1-a)) |D^a x(t)|) dt \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } \lambda \rightarrow 0, \quad 0 < a < 1.$$

Applying (2) with $\beta=1$, we get $\varrho(1, \lambda x) \rightarrow 0$ as $\lambda \rightarrow 0$, i. e. $x' \in L^\varphi(-\infty, \infty)$. This proves that $x \in \bar{W}_\varphi^1$.

2.3. Now, we proceed to investigation of \underline{X} . First, we establish the following

Lemma 2. The sequence of convex pseudomodulars $\varrho_{1/2^n}$ in X satisfies the following conditions:

$$(1^0a) \quad \varrho_{1/2^n}(0) = 0,$$

$$(1^0b) \quad \varrho_{1/2^n}(x) = 0 \text{ for } n=1, 2, \dots \text{ implies } x=0,$$

$$(2^0) \quad \varrho_{1/2^n}(e^{ic} x) = \varrho_{1/2^n}(x) \text{ for all real } c,$$

$$(3^0) \quad \varrho_{1/2^n}(\lambda_1 x + \lambda_2 y) \leq \lambda_1 \varrho_{1/2^n}(x) + \lambda_2 \varrho_{1/2^n}(y) \text{ for } \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \geq 0, \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 1.$$

Proof. (1^{0a}), (2⁰) and (3⁰) follow from (1a), (2') and (3') of 1.2, respectively. In order to prove (1^{0b}), let us suppose that $\varrho_{1/2^n}(x) = 0$ for $n=1, 2, \dots$. Applying (2) with $a=1/2^n, \beta=1$, we obtain

$$(4) \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(|x'(t)|) dt \leq \varrho(2^{-n}, 7R^{1-2^{-n}} x / (1-2^{-n})),$$

because from $\varrho_{1/2^n}(x)=0$ follows $x(0)=0$. Moreover, $\varrho_{1/2^n}(x)=0$ implies $D^{2-n}x(t)=0$ for all t and $n=1, 2, \dots$. Hence the right-hand side of inequality (4) is equal to 0. Consequently, we have $x'(t)=0$, and from $x(0)=0$ we conclude that $x(t)=0$ for all t .

2.4. **Theorem 2.** *Let us denote*

$$\underline{\varrho}(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{-n} \varrho_{1/2^n}(x) / (1 + \varrho_{1/2^n}(x)) \quad \text{for } x \in X$$

and

$$X_{\underline{\varrho}} = \{x : x \in X \text{ and } \underline{\varrho}(\lambda x) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \lambda \rightarrow 0\}.$$

Then $\underline{\varrho}$ is a modular in X and $X_{\underline{\varrho}} = X$.

Proof. From Lemma 2 it follows that $\varrho_{1/2^n}$ satisfy all the assumptions of [1], concerning a sequence of pseudomodulars on a vector space X . Thus, by [1], $\underline{\varrho}$ is a modular in X and $X_{\underline{\varrho}}$ is the respective countably modular space, and $X_{\underline{\varrho}}$ consists exactly of elements $x \in X$ such that $\varrho_{1/2^n}(\lambda x) \rightarrow 0$ as $\lambda \rightarrow 0$ for $n=1, 2, \dots$. Thus, we have $X_{\underline{\varrho}} = X$.

2.5. Now, we are going to show that the countably modular space $X_{\underline{\varrho}}$ may be defined also by means of integration with respect to the ordinary derivative. By 1.2,

$$(5) \quad \varrho(x) = \int_0^1 (1 + \varrho(a, x))^{-1} \varrho(a, x) da$$

is also a modular in X (see [4]); the respective modular space is

$$X_{\varrho} = \{x : x \in X \text{ and } \varrho(\lambda x) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \lambda \rightarrow 0\}.$$

First, we show some auxiliary inequalities.

Lemma 3. *Let $x \in X$ be of the form (1) with $R \geq 1$, and let $0 < \alpha < 1$, $0 < \varepsilon < 2$. Then the following inequalities hold:*

$$(6) \quad \frac{3 \cdot 2^{-n-2} \varrho(2^{-n+1}, 2^{-n-2} R^{-2-n} x/7)}{1 + \varrho(2^{-n+1}, 2^{-n-2} R^{-2-n} x/7)} \leq \int_{2^{-n}}^{2^{-n+1}} \frac{\varrho(a, x)}{1 + \varrho(a, x)} da$$

$$\leq \varepsilon 2^{-n-2} + 2^{-n} \varrho(2^{-n}, 7 \cdot 2^{n+3} \varepsilon^{-1} R^{2-n} x) / (1 + \varrho(2^{-n}, 7 \cdot 2^{n+3} \varepsilon^{-1} R^{2-n} x)).$$

Proof. First, we prove the left one of the inequalities (6). Supposing $0 < \alpha < 2^{-n+1}$ and applying (2) with $\beta = 2^{-n+1}$ and with $(2^{-n+1} - \alpha) R^{-2^{-n+1} + \alpha} x/7$ in place of x , we obtain

$$\varrho(a, x) \geq \varrho(2^{-n+1}, (2^{-n+1} - \alpha) x / (7R^{2^{-n+1} - \alpha}))$$

$$+ (1 - (2^{-n+1} - \alpha) / (7R^{2^{-n+1} - \alpha})) |x(0)|.$$

But the second term on the right-hand side of this inequality is nonnegative for $R \geq 1$. Hence

$$\varrho(a, x) \geq \varrho(2^{-n+1}, (2^{-n+1} - \alpha) x / (7R^{2^{-n+1} - \alpha})).$$

Consequently, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{2^{-n}}^{2^{-n+1}} (1+\varrho(a, x))^{-1} \varrho(a, x) d a &\geq \int_{2^{-n}}^{7 \cdot 2^{-n-2}} (1+\varrho(a, x))^{-1} \varrho(a, x) d a \\
&\geq \int_{2^{-n}}^{7 \cdot 2^{-n-2}} \varrho(2^{-n+1}, (2^{-n+1}-a) x / (7 \cdot 2^{-n+1}-a)) \\
&\quad \times [1+\varrho(2^{-n+1}, (2^{-n+1}-a) x / (7 \cdot 2^{-n+1}-a))]^{-1} d a \\
&\geq 3 \cdot 2^{-n-2} \varrho(2^{-n+1}, \frac{1}{7} 2^{-n-2} R^{-2^{-n}} x) [1+\varrho(2^{-n+1}, \frac{1}{7} 2^{-n-2} R^{-2^{-n}} x)]^{-1}.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, we prove the right one of the inequalities (6). Applying (2) with a in place of β and with 2^{-n} in place of α , we obtain for $2^{-n} < a < 1$:

$$\varrho(a, x) \leq \varrho(2^{-n}, 7R^{a-2^{-n}}x/(a-2^{-n})) + (1-7R^{a-2^{-n}}/(a-2^{-n}))|x(0)|.$$

However, the second term on the right-hand side of this inequality is non-positive for $R \geq 1$. Hence

$$\varrho(a, x) \leq \varrho(2^{-n}, 7R^{a-2^{-n}}x/(a-2^{-n})).$$

Thus, taking $0 < \varepsilon < 2$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{2^{-n}}^{2^{-n+1}} (1+\varrho(a, x))^{-1} \varrho(a, x) d a &\leq \varepsilon 2^{-n-3} + \int_{2^{-n+\varepsilon} 2^{-n-3}}^{2^{-n+1}} (1+\varrho(a, x))^{-1} \varrho(a, x) d a \\
&\leq \varepsilon 2^{-n-3} + \int_{2^{-n+\varepsilon} 2^{-n-3}}^{2^{-n+1}} \varrho(2^{-n}, 7R^{a-2^{-n}}x/(a-2^{-n})) [1+\varrho(2^{-n}, 7R^{a-2^{-n}}x \\
&\quad : (a-2^{-n}))]^{-1} d a \leq \varepsilon 2^{-n-3} + 2^{-n} (1-\varepsilon/8) \varrho(2^{-n}, 7 \cdot 2^{n+3} \varepsilon^{-1} R^{2^{-n}} x) \\
&\quad \times [1+\varrho(2^{-n}, 7 \cdot 2^{n+3} \varepsilon^{-1} R^{2^{-n}} x)]^{-1}.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, we are able to prove the following

Theorem 3. *If ϱ is defined by (5), then $\bar{X} = X_\varrho$.*

Proof. First, we remark that without loss of generality we may assume $R \geq 1$ in formula (1).

Let $x \in X_\varrho$, then $\varrho(\lambda x) \rightarrow 0$ as $\lambda \rightarrow 0$ and applying the left one of inequalities (6) with λx in place of x we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
3 \cdot 2^{-n-3} \frac{\varrho(2^{-n+1}, 2^{-n-2} R^{-2^{-n}} \lambda x / 7)}{1+\varrho(2^{-n+1}, 2^{-n-2} R^{-2^{-n}} \lambda x / 7)} &\leq \int_{2^{-n}}^{2^{-n+1}} \varrho(a, \lambda x) (1+\varrho(a, \lambda x))^{-1} d a \\
&\leq \varrho(\lambda x) \rightarrow 0
\end{aligned}$$

as $\lambda \rightarrow 0$. Hence, writing $\eta_n(\lambda) = 2^{-n-3} R^{-2^{-n-1}} \lambda / 7$, we have $\varrho_{1/2^n}(\eta_n(\lambda) x) \rightarrow 0$ as $\lambda \rightarrow 0$. Let us choose an arbitrary $0 < \varepsilon < 2$ and let us take N so large that

$\sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} 2^{-n} < \varepsilon/2$. Taking $\eta(\lambda) = \max\{\eta_n(\lambda) : 1 \leq n \leq N\}$, we have $\eta(\lambda) \rightarrow 0$ as $\lambda \rightarrow 0$; moreover, $\varrho_{1/2^n}(\eta(\lambda) x) \rightarrow 0$ as $\lambda \rightarrow 0$. Choosing $\lambda_0 > 0$ in such a way that $\varrho_{1/2^n}(\eta(\lambda) x) < \varepsilon/(2-\varepsilon)$ for $0 \leq \lambda \leq \lambda_0$ and $n=1, 2, \dots, N$, we thus have

$\varrho(\eta x) < \varepsilon$ for $0 \leq \eta \leq \eta(\lambda_0)$. This shows that $x \in X_\varepsilon$; by Theorem 2, we obtain $x \in X$.

Now, let us suppose that $x \in X$, i. e. by Theorem 2, $x \in X_\varepsilon$. Hence $\varrho(\eta x) \rightarrow 0$, as $\eta \rightarrow 0$, and so $\varrho_{1/2^n}(\eta x) \rightarrow 0$ as $\eta \rightarrow 0$ for $n=1, 2, \dots$. Let $0 < \varepsilon < 2$. Applying the right one of inequalities (6) with ηx in place of x , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \varrho(\eta x) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{2^{-n}}^{2^{-n+1}} (1 + \varrho(a, \eta x))^{-1} \varrho(a, \eta x) \, da \\ &< (3\varepsilon/4 + \sum_{n=1}^N 2^{-n} \varrho_{1/2^n}(7 \cdot 2^{n+3} \varepsilon^{-1} R^{2^{-n}} \eta x) [1 + \varrho_{1/2^n}(7 \cdot 2^{n+3} \varepsilon^{-1} R^{2^{-n}} \eta x)]^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

for any $\eta > 0$, where N is chosen in the same manner as in the first part of the proof. Since $\varrho_{1/2^n}(7 \cdot 2^{n+3} \varepsilon^{-1} R^{2^{-n}} \eta x) \rightarrow 0$ as $\eta \rightarrow 0$, we may choose an $\eta_0 > 0$ such that

$$\varrho_{1/2^n}(7 \cdot 2^{n+3} \varepsilon^{-1} R^{2^{-n}} \eta x) < \varepsilon/(4-\varepsilon) \text{ for } 0 \leq \eta \leq \eta_0$$

and $n=1, 2, \dots, N$. Consequently, $\varrho(\eta x) < \varepsilon$ for $0 \leq \eta \leq \eta_0$, i. e. $x \in X_\varepsilon$.

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