

A WEAK HADAMARD SMOOTH RENORMING OF $L_1(\Omega, \mu)$

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ABSTRACT. We show that $L_1(\mu)$ has a weak Hadamard differentiable renorm (*i.e.* differentiable away from the origin uniformly on all weakly compact sets) if and only if μ is sigma finite. As a consequence several powerful recent differentiability theorems apply to subspaces of L_1 .

1. Introduction. Let X be a real Banach space, and let X^* be the continuous linear functionals on X , equipped with the usual norm $\|y\| := \sup\{\langle x, y \rangle : \|x\| \leq 1\}$. We recall that a function $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is *weak Hadamard differentiable* at a point x if the Gateaux derivative exists at x and is uniform on all weakly compact sets. Equivalently,

$$(1.1) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x + t_n h_n) - f(x)}{t_n} = \nabla f(x)(h)$$

whenever $h_n \rightarrow h$ weakly, and $t_n \rightarrow 0$. (See [BP] and [Ph].) Clearly any point of Fréchet differentiability is a point of weak Hadamard differentiability. The converse holds in the following setting:

THEOREM 1.1 ([BF]). *Let X be a Banach space and let $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be convex and continuous. Suppose X contains no copy of $\ell_1(\mathbb{N})$. Then f is Fréchet differentiable at x if and only if f is weak Hadamard differentiable at x . In particular any equivalent weak Hadamard norm on X is actually a Fréchet norm and X is necessarily Asplund.*

In [BF] it was shown that if X contains a copy of $\ell_1(\mathbb{N})$ then there is a convex continuous function with a point of weak Hadamard differentiability which is not a point of Fréchet differentiability (see also [Bo2], [Or]). In [Bo2] it was also shown that $C([0, 1])$ has no weak Hadamard renorm. Indeed:

THEOREM 1.2 ([Bo2]). *Let X be a $C(\Omega)$, with Ω a compact Hausdorff space. If X has a weak Hadamard renorm, then X is an Asplund space.*

It is the purpose of this note to show that $L_1(\mu) = L_1(\Omega, \Sigma, \mu)$ has a weak Hadamard differentiable renorm (*i.e.* Gateaux differentiable away from the origin uniformly on all weakly compact sets) if and only if μ is sigma finite. As a consequence several powerful recent “bornological” differentiability theorems ([BP], [Pr], [PPN]) apply in the weak

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Hadamard sense to subspaces of L_1 . Previously these theorems have really only found application in the Gateaux and Fréchet senses. We observe that as a consequence of Theorems 1.1 and 1.2 there are many separable (or WCG) spaces that do not admit such renorms: e.g., $C([0, 1])$ and any separable X not containing $\ell_1(\mathbb{N})$ whose dual is non separable.

2. Norms on $L_1(\mu)$. We write θ and $B(X)$ or B for the origin and closed unit ball of the Banach space X respectively. As is standard, we write f_x for any (sub)gradient of the norm at x . We begin by giving a sufficient condition for Mackey convergence of a sequence in the dual of a sigma-finite $L_1(\mu)$:

LEMMA 2.1. *Suppose that $\langle y_n \rangle$ converges to θ in mean (or only in measure) in $L_1(\mu)$ and suppose that $\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \|y_n\|_\infty < \infty$. Then $\langle y_n \rangle$ converges to θ in the Mackey topology, $\tau(L_\infty(\mu), L_1(\mu))$.*

PROOF. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given and fix a weakly compact set W in $L_1(\mu)$. Select $M > \sup_{w \in W} \|w\|_1 \vee \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \|y_n\|_\infty$. By the Dunford-Pettis criterion for weak compactness in $L_1(\mu)$ [Di2] there is $\varepsilon > \delta > 0$ such that

$$(2.1) \quad \sup_{w \in W} \int_B |w(t)| \, d\mu(t) < \varepsilon \text{ whenever } \mu(B) < \delta < \varepsilon.$$

Pick N in \mathbb{N} so that $\mu(\{t : |y_n(t)| \geq \delta\}) \leq \delta$ for $n \geq N$. Define $B_n := \{t : |y_n(t)| \geq \delta\}$ in Σ and set $A_n := \Omega \setminus B_n$. Then for $w \in W$ and $n > N$

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_\Omega y_n(t)w(t) \, d\mu \right| &\leq \left| \int_{A_n} y_n(t)w(t) \, d\mu \right| + \left| \int_{B_n} y_n(t)w(t) \, d\mu \right| \\ &\leq \delta \int_{A_n} |w(t)| \, d\mu + M \int_{B_n} |w(t)| \, d\mu \\ &\leq \delta \int_\Omega |w(t)| \, d\mu + M \int_{B_n} |w(t)| \, d\mu. \end{aligned}$$

Thus for $n > N$

$$\left| \int_\Omega y_n(t)w(t) \, d\mu \right| \leq M \left(\delta + \int_{B_n} |w(t)| \, d\mu \right) < 2M\varepsilon$$

on using (2.1). As ε is arbitrary $\langle y_n \rangle$ converges to θ in the Mackey topology. (Note that there is no loss of generality in considering null sequences.) ■

Given a Hausdorff topology T , we say that a norm on X is *locally T rotund* (LTR) if whenever $\langle x_n \rangle$ and x lie in the unit ball $B(X)$

$$(2.2) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \frac{x_n + x}{2} \right\| = 1 \Rightarrow T\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x.$$

Observe that any LTR norm is strictly convex. In particular, we say that a dual norm is *locally Mackey rotund* (LMR) if this holds in the Mackey topology $\tau(X^*, X)$. Correspondingly, a dual norm is *locally weak* rotund* if this holds in $\sigma(X^*, X)$ and is *locally uniformly rotund* if this holds in the strong topology $\beta(X^*, X)$. This last case recaptures the standard definition, [Da], [Di1].

LEMMA 2.2. Let $\|\cdot\|$ on X be such that the dual norm, $\|\cdot\|_*$, is a locally Mackey rotund dual norm. Then $\|\cdot\|$ is weak Hadamard differentiable on X (away from θ).

PROOF. Since $\|\cdot\|_*$ is LMR it is strictly convex, and so $\|\cdot\|$ is smooth (Gateaux). Let $\langle h_n \rangle$ converge weakly to h in X , and let $\langle t_n \rangle$ converge to 0 from above. We apply (1.1) to the norm. By the Mean Value theorem

$$(2.3) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\|x - t_n h_n\| - \|x\|}{t_n} - f_x(h) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [f_{x_n}(h_n) - f_x(h_n)]$$

for some $\langle x_n \rangle$ converging to x in norm. However, $f_{x_n}(x) + f_x(x) \rightarrow 2$ since the gradient is norm-weak* continuous. Thus $\|\frac{f_{x_n} + f_x}{2}\|_* \rightarrow 1$ as each support functional has unit norm. Since the dual norm is LMR we deduce that $f_{x_n} \rightarrow f_x$ in the Mackey topology and that the error term in (2.3), $f_{x_n}(h_n) - f_x(h_n)$, tends to zero as is required. ■

The converse to Lemma 2.2 is certainly false since the dual of a Fréchet norm need not be (LUR) and in an Asplund setting (LUR) and (LMR) coincide [Bo2].

PROPOSITION 2.3. Every $L_1(\mu)$ with μ finite admits an equivalent locally Mackey rotund dual norm on $L_\infty(\mu)$.

PROOF. For m in $L_\infty(\mu)$, set $\|m\| := \sqrt{\|m\|_\infty^2 + \|m\|_2^2}$. Since $L_2(\mu)$ embeds in $L_1(\mu)$ it follows that $\|\cdot\|$ is weak* lower semicontinuous and so defines an equivalent dual norm. We verify that it is LMR. So suppose that $\langle m_n \rangle$ and m lie in $\{m : \|m\| \leq 1\}$, and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\frac{m_n + m}{2}\| = 1$. Then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|m_n\| = \|m\| = 1$. As usual, define

$$\Delta(m_n, m, \|\cdot\|) := \frac{\|m_n\|^2 + \|m\|^2}{2} - \left\| \frac{m_n + m}{2} \right\|^2.$$

Then $\Delta(m_n, m, \|\cdot\|) \geq \Delta(m_n, m, \|\cdot\|_2)$ so as $L_2(\mu)$ is LUR we deduce that $\|m_n - m\|_2 \rightarrow 0$ and so $m_n - m \rightarrow \theta$ in $L_1(\mu)$. As $\langle m_n \rangle$ is uniformly bounded, Lemma 2.1 now applies. ■

THEOREM 2.4. $L_1(\mu)$ has a weak Hadamard differentiable renorm if and only if μ is sigma finite.

PROOF. If the measure is not sigma finite then it is well known that $L_1(\mu)$ admits no smooth renorm, [Da, p. 161], and is not a Gateaux differentiability space. Indeed, by the Borwein-Preiss Theorem [BP, Ph], it suffices to show that the original norm is nowhere Gateaux differentiable. But, since the support of any member of $L_1(\mu)$ is sigma finite, it is always possible to construct two subgradients in $L_\infty(\mu)$ at every point of the standard unit sphere. (Here as throughout the literature we implicitly assume that measures have no infinite atoms!)

Suppose $L_1(\mu)$ is sigma finite. Then there is an isometric linear mapping of $L_1(\mu)$ onto $L_1(\mu^*)$ for some finite measure μ^* [La, p. 138]. Thus there is no loss of generality in assuming that μ is a finite measure. Let $\|m\| := \sqrt{\|m\|_\infty^2 + \|m\|_2^2}$. Now $\|\cdot\|$ defines an equivalent dual norm on $L_\infty(\mu)$. By Proposition 2.3, $\|\cdot\|$ is locally Mackey rotund. By Lemma 2.2 $\|\cdot\|$ is weak Hadamard differentiable on $L_1(\mu)$. ■

We recall that a vector e in a Banach lattice is a *weak order unit* or Freudenthal unit when $e \wedge x = 0$ implies $x = 0$. The representation theory of abstract L spaces (AL spaces) [Da, p. 138] produces:

COROLLARY 2.5. *An abstract L space admits a weak Hadamard differentiable renorm if and only if it admits a Gateaux differentiable renorm as holds if and only if it possesses a weak order unit.*

REMARKS 2.6. (a) When μ is finite, the constructed norm on $L_1(\mu)$ is given by the infimal convolution $\|x\| := \inf_z \sqrt{\|z\|_1^2 + \|x - z\|_2^2}$. It is easy to check that the infimum is attained. It also follows that when μ is a probability measure, $\|\cdot\|$ and $\|\cdot\|_2$ coincide on $L_2(\mu)$.

(b) In terms of the duality map $J_{\|\cdot\|}$, which is the subgradient of $\frac{1}{2}\|\cdot\|^2$, we may explicitly compute that $x^* \in J_{\|\cdot\|}(x)$ if and only if $x - x^* \in J_{\|\cdot\|_1}(x)$. This in turn means that

$$x^* = x \wedge s \vee (-s) \text{ where } s \text{ uniquely solves } s = \|(x - s)^+\|_1 + \|(-x - s)^+\|_1.$$

Also $s = \|x^*\|_\infty$.

(c) If X is weakly compactly generated [Di1, Di2] (as are separable or reflexive spaces) there is a continuous linear mapping T of a reflexive space R densely into X [DFJP]. Then $\|x^*\| := \sqrt{\|x^*\|_*^2 + \|T^*x^*\|_R^2}$ (where $\|\cdot\|_R$ is LUR) defines a locally weak* rotund dual norm on X^* . Not every strictly convex dual norm is locally weak* rotund—even on $\ell_2(\mathbb{N})$.

(d) With some computation, Lemma 2.1 may also be used to show that every smooth point of the standard unit sphere in $L_1(\mu)$ is weak Hadamard smooth.

(e) It is worth noting that Lemma 2.1 needs more than weak* convergence as hypothesis on $\langle y_n \rangle$. Indeed, in $L_1(0, 1)$ with Lebesgue measure, we let

$$y_n = x_n = \sin(2n\pi x).$$

Then the Riemann-Lebesgue lemma shows that $\langle y_n \rangle \rightarrow \theta$ weak* in $L_\infty(0, 1)$ and so, *a fortiori*, $\langle x_n \rangle \rightarrow \theta$ weakly in $L_1(0, 1)$. However $\langle y_n, x_n \rangle = \left(\int_0^1 \sin^2(2n\pi x) dx\right) = 1/2$ and does not tend to zero. Thus $\langle y_n \rangle$ is not Mackey null. ■

3. Applications. Let \mathbf{B} denote any symmetric, spanning, bornology of bounded convex subsets of X . We also suppose that \mathbf{B} is closed under positive multiples and that if B_1, B_2 lie in \mathbf{B} then $B_1 \cup B_2$ lies in a member of \mathbf{B} . This insures that the topology, \mathbf{B}^0 , of uniform convergence on members of \mathbf{B} is a well defined locally convex topology on X^* . In reality we are most interested in the following cases:

GATEAUX (G). \mathbf{B} is all finite dimensional bounded convex sets and \mathbf{B}^0 is the weak* topology.

HADAMARD (H). \mathbf{B} is all norm compact convex sets and \mathbf{B}^0 is the bounded weak* topology (which coincides with the weak* topology since X is complete).

WEAK HADAMARD (W). \mathbf{B} is all weakly compact convex sets and \mathbf{B}^0 is the Mackey topology (which coincides with the norm topology when X is reflexive).

FRÉCHET (F). \mathbf{B} is all bounded convex sets and \mathbf{B}^0 is the strong (*i.e.* norm) topology.

A function $f: X \rightarrow [-\infty, \infty]$ is said to be **B-differentiable** at x if it is Gateaux differentiable uniformly on elements of **B**. Then **B**-subdifferentiability is defined similarly. (See [BP], [Ph] for details.)

We define X to be a **B-Asplund space** if every continuous convex function defined on an open set U is generically **B**-differentiable throughout U (that is the differentiability points contain a dense G_δ). We define X to be **B-differentiability space** if every continuous convex function defined on an open set U is densely **B**-differentiable throughout U . We define X to be a **Minkowski B-differentiability space** if every continuous sublinear function defined on X is densely **B**-differentiable throughout X . Finally, we say that a member x^* of a set C in X^* is *weak* \mathbf{B}^0 -exposed* by x in X if $x^*(x) = \sup\{c(x) : c \in C\}$ and whenever $\langle c_n \rangle \in C$ has $c_n(x) \rightarrow x^*(x)$ it follows that $c_n \rightarrow x^*$ in the topology \mathbf{B}^0 .

It is shown in [Bo2] that in an Asplund space every Mackey convergent sequence in the dual is norm convergent. In particular, in an Asplund space weak* Mackey exposed points and weak* strongly exposed points coincide. We also observe that Gateaux and Hadamard differentiability coincide for Lipschitz functions. Thus any Gateaux smooth norm is Hadamard differentiable. Hadamard subdifferentiability of a non-Lipschitz function is, by contrast, stronger than Gateaux subdifferentiability.

Examination of the results of Chapter 6 in Phelps [Ph] will convince the reader that with minor adjustments in the proofs the following holds:

THEOREM 3.1. *The following are equivalent:*

- (i) X is a **B-differentiability space**;
- (ii) X is a **Minkowski B-differentiability space**;
- (iii) $X \times \mathbb{R}$ is a **B-differentiability space**;
- (iv) every weak* compact convex subset of X^* is the weak* closed convex hull of its weak* \mathbf{B}^0 -exposed points.

We now formulate our main application. Additional details of definitions can be found in [Bo1] [BFK], [BP], [DGZ], [Pr], [PPN].

THEOREM 3.2. *Suppose that X admits an equivalent weak Hadamard renorm. Then*

- (i) X is a weak Hadamard Asplund space;
- (ii) every real valued locally Lipschitz function is densely weak Hadamard differentiable. Moreover, the Clarke derivative of f at x is the weak* closed convex hull of weak* limits of weak Hadamard gradients:

$$\partial f(x) = w^* \text{co}\{w^* \lim \nabla_w f(x_n) : x_n \rightarrow x\};$$

- (iii) every real valued lower semicontinuous function is densely weak Hadamard subdifferentiable throughout its graph;
- (iv) every maximal monotone mapping (every minimal weak* cusco) from X to X^* is generically single-valued and norm-Mackey upper semicontinuous.

In particular, all the above hold in any subspace of $L_1(\mu)$ when μ is sigma finite.

PROOF. (i) and (iv) follow from the main result in [PPN], (ii) from the corresponding result in [Pr], and (iii) from the result in [BP] or [DGZ]. ■

Unlike Asplund or weak Asplund spaces, weak Hadamard Asplund spaces are not preserved by quotients. This is related to the fact that while in a reflexive space the weak Hadamard bornology coincides with the Fréchet bornology, in a Schur space [Di, p. 212] it coincides with the Gateaux bornology.

EXAMPLE 3.3. Theorem 1.2 shows that $C[0, 1]$ has no weak Hadamard renorm. Now, it is well known that every separable space is a quotient of $\ell_1(\mathbb{N})$ [LT]. But $\ell_1(\mathbb{N})$ is separable and so has a Hadamard differentiable renorm. Since $\ell_1(\mathbb{N})$ is Schur, (or by Theorem 2.4) this norm is necessarily weak Hadamard differentiable. Thus $\ell_1(\mathbb{N})$ is a weak Hadamard Asplund space whose quotient $C[0, 1]$ is not even a weak Hadamard differentiability space. ■

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