

More on coarse embeddings of ℓ_2 .

Th (Newak 2006) If $1 \leq p < \infty$, then $\ell_2 \hookrightarrow_{\ell_p}$.

Ostrovskii went further using the following:

Th (Odell-Schlumprecht 2004) Let X be a Banach with an unconditional basis and nontrivial cotype (ℓ_2 does not uniformly embed into X) then $S_X \approx S_{\ell_2}$.

(Corollary): (Ostrovskii) Let X satisfy the same conditions. Then $\ell_2 \hookrightarrow X$.

Th (O-S) Let X have 1-u.b. and be uniformly convex and uniformly smooth. Then $S_X \approx S_{\ell_1}$.

p -convexity and q -concavity: For X with a 1-u.b. (e_i), we will write $(u_i) \in X$ if $\sum x_i e_i \in X$. For $t > 0$ and $x = (u_i) \in X$, $|x|^t = (|u_i|; t^t)$.

For $1 \leq p, q \leq \infty$, say X is p -convex if $\{u_j\}_{j=1}^n \subseteq X$ $\left\| \left(\sum |u_j|^{\frac{p}{p-1}} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{p}} \right\| \leq M \left\| \left(\sum |u_j| \right)^p \right\|^\frac{1}{p}$ for some $M > 0$. The smallest M is denoted $M^p(X)$.

Every X is 1-convex. Say X is q -concave if the reverse inequality holds. and $M_q(X)$ is defined similarly.

By duality, X is p -convex iff X^* is p' -concave.

p -convexification of X : this is $X^{(p)} = \{(u_i) : \|(|u_i|)\|_{(\ell_p)} = \left\| \left(\sum |u_i|^{\frac{p}{p-1}} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{p}} \right\| \leq 1\}$

If X has a 1-unconditional basis (e_i), $(X^{(p)})$ has also a 1-unconditional basis again denoted by (e_i).

If X is r -convex, then for $x, y \in X^{(p)}$ $\left\| (|x|^{pr} + |y|^{pr})^{\frac{1}{pr}} \right\|_{(\ell_p)}^{pr} = \left\| (|x|^{pr} + |y|^{pr})^{\frac{1}{pr}} \right\|_r^r$
 $\leq M^r(X)^r (||x||^{pr} + ||y||^{pr})$
so that $M^{pr}(X) \leq M^r(X)^{\frac{p}{r}}$.

More generally, if X is r -convex and s -concave, $1 \leq r \leq s < \infty$, then

$X^{(p)}$ is pr -convex and ps -concave with $M^{pr}(X^{(p)}) \leq M^r(X)^{\frac{p}{r}}$
 $M_{ps}(X^{(p)}) \leq M_s(X)^{\frac{p}{s}}$.

Proposition 1: Let X have a 1-ub and $M_q(X) = 1$. Then $M^p(X^{(p)}) = 1 = M_{pq}(X^{(p)})$.

Proposition 2: Let $1 < q < \infty$ and X q -convex and with 1-ub (e_i). Then X admits an equivalent norm for which $M_q(X) = 1$ and (e_i) is 1-ub.

Proposition 3: Let $1 < p \leq q < \infty$ and X with 1-ub and $M^p(X) = 1 = M_q(X)$. Then X is uniformly smooth and uniformly convex.

Proof: by duality, it suffices to show that X is u.c.

Lemma: let $q \geq 2$. Then for any $1 < p < \infty$ there exists $C = C(p, q)$ s.t.

$$\left| \frac{s-t}{C} \right|^q + \left| \frac{s+t}{2} \right|^q \leq \left(\frac{|s|^p + |t|^p}{2} \right)^{q/p}$$

Proof: We may assume that $s = 1 > t \geq -1$. Consider $\varphi(t) = \left(\frac{1+|t|^p}{2} \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} - \left(\frac{1+|t|}{2} \right)^q$. φ is ≥ 0 on $[-1, 1]$ and $\varphi''(1) > 0$, so $\frac{\varphi(t)}{1-t^2}$ is bounded from below, hence so is $\frac{\varphi(t)}{(1-t)^q}$.

Fix $\varepsilon > 0$ and let $x, y \in S_X$ be st $\|x-y\| = \varepsilon$. By the lemma, there is $C = C(p, q)$ s.t. $\left\| \left(\left(\frac{|x-y|}{C} \right)^q + \left(\frac{|x+y|}{2} \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \right\| \leq \left\| \left(\frac{|x|^p + |y|^p}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \right\|$

Apply $M^p(X) = 1 = M_q(X)$ to obtain $\left(\left\| \frac{x-y}{C} \right\|^q + \left\| \frac{x+y}{2} \right\|^q \right)^{1/q} \leq \frac{\left(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p \right)^{1/p}}{2^{1/p}}$

Thus $\frac{\varepsilon^q}{C^q} \leq 1 - \left\| \frac{x+y}{2} \right\|^q \leq q \left(1 - \frac{\|x+y\|}{2} \right)$. Hence $S_X(\varepsilon) \geq \frac{\varepsilon^q}{C^q}$.

Proposition 4: Let $1 < p < \infty$ and X has 1-ub (e_i). Then the

'Norm' map $G_{p,X} : S_{X^{(p)}} \rightarrow S_X$
 $x \mapsto (\operatorname{sgn} x_i) |x_i|^\frac{1}{p}$

is a uniform homeomorphism

Proof: Let $x = (x_i), y = (y_i) \in S_{X^{(p)}}$. Let $I_+ = \{i : \operatorname{sgn} x_i = \operatorname{sgn} y_i\}$. It suffices to show that for $\delta = \|x-y\|_{(p)}$, $2^{1-p} \delta^p \leq \|G_{p,X}(x) - G_{p,X}(y)\| \leq \delta \frac{2^{\frac{1}{p}}}{2^{\frac{1}{p}}} + (1-(1-\delta)^p)$

$$\begin{aligned} \|G_{p,X}(x) - G_{p,X}(y)\| &= \left\| \sum_i ((x_i - y_i)^p - (x_i^p - y_i^p)) e_i \right\| \\ &= \left\| \underbrace{\sum_{i \in I_+} (|x_i|^p - |y_i|^p) e_i}_{= d_+} + \underbrace{\sum_{i \in I_-} (|x_i|^p + |y_i|^p) e_i}_{= d_-} \right\| \end{aligned}$$

By 1-a. of (e_i) and $a^p - b^p \geq (a-b)^p$
and $a^p + b^p \geq 2^{1-p}(a+b)^p$ for $a, b \geq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so that } \|d_+ + d_- - 1\| &\geq \left\| \sum_{i \in I_+} (|x_i| - |y_i|)^p e_i + 2^{1-p} \sum_{i \in I_-} (|x_i| + |y_i|)^p e_i \right\| \\ &\geq 2^{1-p} \left\| \sum_i |x_i - y_i|^p e_i \right\| = 2^{1-p} \|x - y\|_{(p)}^p \end{aligned}$$

For the upper estimate, first note that $\|d_-\| \leq \left\| \sum_{i \in I_-} (|x_i| - |y_i|)^p e_i \right\| \leq \|x - y\|_{(p)}^p \leq \delta^p$

$$\text{Set } q = 1 - \sqrt{s} \text{ and } c = (1-q)^{-p} = s^{-p/2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{For } a, b \geq 0 \text{ with } 0 \leq b \leq q a, \text{ we have } c(a-b)^p - (a^p - b^p) &\geq c(1-q)a^p - a^p \\ &= a^p(c(1-q) - 1) \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Let } I'_+ = \{ i \in I_+ : |y_i| < q|x_i| \text{ or } |x_i| < q|y_i| \}$$

$$I'_+ = I_+ \setminus I''_+. \text{ Then } d_+ = d'_+ + d''_+, \text{ where } d'_+ = \sum_{i \in I'_+} (|x_i|^p - |y_i|^p) e_i.$$

$$\text{By } (*), \|d'_+\| \leq c \left\| \sum_{i \in I'_+} (|x_i|^p - |y_i|^p) e_i \right\| \leq s^{-p/2} \|x - y\|_{(p)}^p = \delta^{p/2}$$

Proof of Odell-Schlumprecht: Let X have \mathbb{Q} -basis (e_i) and $\ell_\infty \not\subseteq X$

We need the following:

Theorem (Maurey-Pisier): Let X be a Banach space with some hypothesis:

Then X is q -concave for every $q > q'$.

By an equivalent renorming, we may assume (e_i) is monotone.

By Maurey-Pisier X is q -concave for some $q \in [2, q]$.

By Prop'n 2, we may assume $\pi_q(X) = 1$, hence $\pi_q^2(X^{(1)}) = 1 = \pi_q(X^{(1)})$

by Prop'n 1, note also that $X^{(1)}$ has a 1-unb. Moreover by Prop'n 3,

$X^{(1)}$ is UC and US and hence $G_{2,X} : S_{X^{(1)}} \rightarrow S_X$ is a uniform homeomorphism (Prop'n 4).

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By Ozell-Schuppert theorem from last week, there is a uniform homeomorphism $F: S_{X(2)} \rightarrow S_{\ell_1}$. Then $F \circ G_{2,1}^{-1}: S_X \rightarrow S_{\ell_1}$ is a uniform homeomorphism.

There is a converse: X with 1-ub: If $S_X \cong S_{\ell_1}$, then $\ell_2 \notin X$.
(Engel's result.)