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Representations of generalized measures by integrals

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This note contains a generalization of classical Riesz's results (cf. I Ch.II. §36) of representation of functions by indefinite integrals of functions in  $L^p$ . We shall prove a necessary and sufficient condition for a generalized measure on a certain space with measure will be representable by an integral of a function in Orlicz's class  $L_\Phi$ .

Let  $\Phi(u)$  be an N-function, i.e. let

$$\Phi(u) = \int_0^{|u|} p(t) dt$$

where  $p(t)$  is positive for  $t > 0$ , right continuous for  $t \geq 0$  and nondecreasing function which satisfies the conditions:

$$p(0) = 0, \quad p(+\infty) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} p(t) = +\infty.$$

We use these properties of  $\Phi$  (see [2]):

$\Phi(u)$  is continuous and increases for  $u > 0$ , and

$$(1) \quad \lim_{u \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\Phi(u)}{u} = +\infty.$$

Let  $(X, S, \mu)$  be a space with fully finite continuous measure. Under the continuity we understand the following:

there exists a decreasing sequence  $E_1 \supseteq E_2 \supseteq \dots \supseteq E_n \supseteq \dots$  of sets with positive measures for which

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n = \emptyset \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \mu(E_n) = 0$$

If  $\mu$  is continuous in the sense [2] p.76 (for every set  $E$  there exists a subset with the measure  $\frac{1}{2} \mu(E)$ ), then it

is continuous in the sense above.

We denote  $L_{\Phi}(X, S, \mu)$  the Orlicz's class, i.e. the set of all real functions on  $X$ , for which

$$\int_X \Phi(f(x)) d\mu(x) < +\infty.$$

Next we use the Jensen's integral inequality: If  $f \in L_{\Phi}$ , then

$$\Phi\left(\frac{\int_E f d\mu}{\mu(E)}\right) \leq \frac{\int_E \Phi(f) d\mu}{\mu(E)}.$$

The proof in [2] substantially uses the fact that  $X$  is a subset of an  $n$ -dimensional euclidean space. Generally, let first  $f$  be an elementary function

$$(2) \quad f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k \chi_{E_k}(x), \quad \bigcup_{k=1}^n E_k = X.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi\left(\frac{\int_E f d\mu}{\mu(E)}\right) &= \Phi\left(\frac{\sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k \mu(E_k \cap E)}{\mu(E)}\right) \leq \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\Phi(\alpha_k) \mu(E_k \cap E)}{\mu(E)} = \frac{\int_E \Phi(f) d\mu}{\mu(E)}, \end{aligned}$$

by elementary Jensen's inequality. There exists a sequence of elementary functions  $\{f_n\}$ , for arbitrary  $f$ , which converges to  $|f|$ . By Beppo-Levi's theorem, we can write

$$\Phi\left(\frac{\int_E f d\mu}{\mu(E)}\right) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \Phi\left(\frac{\int_E f_n d\mu}{\mu(E)}\right) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\int_E \Phi(f_n) d\mu}{\mu(E)} = \frac{\int_E \Phi(f) d\mu}{\mu(E)}.$$

Theorem: Let  $(X, S, \mu)$  be a space with fully finite continuous measure  $\mu$ ,  $\nu$  a  $\sigma$ -finite generalized measure on  $S$ , and  $\Phi$  an  $N$ -function. A necessary and sufficient condition for

$$(3) \quad \nu(E) = \int_E f d\mu, \quad f \in L_{\Phi},$$

is that there exists a constant  $C$  such that, for arbitrary finite decomposition of  $X$

$$(4) \quad X = E_1 \cup \dots \cup E_n, \quad \mu(E_1) > 0,$$

the following holds:

$$(5) \quad \sum_{k=1}^n \mu(E_k) \Phi \left( \frac{\nu(E_k)}{\mu(E_k)} \right) < C.$$

Moreover,

$$\sup \sum_{k=1}^n \mu(E_k) \Phi \left( \frac{\nu(E_k)}{\mu(E_k)} \right) = \int_X \Phi(f) d\mu,$$

where the supremum is taken over all decompositions (4).

Proof: First, let (3). Then in virtue of Jensen's integral inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n \mu(E_k) \Phi \left( \frac{\nu(E_k)}{\mu(E_k)} \right) &= \sum_{k=1}^n \mu(E_k) \Phi \left( \frac{\int_{E_k} f d\mu}{\mu(E_k)} \right) \leq \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n \mu(E_k) \Phi \left( \frac{\int_E |f| d\mu}{\mu(E_k)} \right) \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \mu(E_k) \frac{\int \Phi(f) d\mu}{\mu(E_k)} = \\ &= \int_X \Phi(f) d\mu. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, let (5) be satisfied. Then  $\nu$  is absolutely continuous with respect to  $\mu$ : If we have  $\mu(E) = 0$  then, by continuity of  $\mu$ ,  $F_n = E_n \cup E \downarrow E$ , and hence  $\mu(F_n) \downarrow 0$ . By (5), we have

$$\mu(F_n) \Phi \left( \frac{\nu(F_n)}{\mu(F_n)} \right) < C.$$

If  $\nu(E) \neq 0$ , then, by (1) we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\mu(F_n) \Phi \left( \frac{\nu(F_n)}{\mu(F_n)} \right)) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \nu(F_n) \frac{\Phi \left( \frac{\nu(F_n)}{\mu(F_n)} \right)}{\frac{\nu(F_n)}{\mu(F_n)}} = +\infty.$$

By Radon-Nikodym's theorem there exists a function  $f$  such that

$$\nu(E) = \int_E f d\mu$$

Suppose that  $\nu$  is a measure. If  $\{f_n\}$  is a sequence of elementary functions (2),  $\mu(E_1) > 0$ ,  $f_n \uparrow f$ , then

$$(6) \quad \nu(E) \geq \sum_{k=1}^n (\mu(E_k) \Phi \left( \frac{\nu(E_k)}{\mu(E_k)} \right)) = \int_X \Phi(f_n) d\mu,$$

and, by Beppo-Levi's theorem, we conclude that  $f \in L_\Phi$ . Generally, let  $X = A \cup B$  be a Hahn's decomposition (cf. 3, §29),  $\nu^+$ ,  $\nu^-$  the upper and the lower variations of  $\nu$ ,

$$\nu^+(E) = \int_E f^+ d\mu, \quad \nu^-(E) = \int_E f^- d\mu.$$

Evidently,  $\nu^+$  ( $\nu^-$  resp.) satisfies (5) on  $A$  ( $B$  resp.). The assertion can be obtained by means of the following equality

$$(7) \quad \int_X \Phi(f) d\mu = \int_A \Phi(f^+) d\mu + \int_B \Phi(f^-) d\mu.$$

The last equality can be got from (6), for  $f \geq 0$ , and from (7), for arbitrary  $f$ .

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