

Exercise 2.1 A (positive) measure μ on \mathbb{R}^n is called log-concave, if it has a density which is a measurable log-concave function. Show that for such a measure μ , $\alpha, \beta \geq 0$, $\alpha + \beta = 1$, and $A, B \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ with $A, B, \alpha A + \beta B$ measurable holds

$$\mu(\alpha A + \beta B) \geq \mu(A)^\alpha \mu(B)^\beta.$$

Hint: Prékopa-Leindler could help.

Exercise 2.2 Let $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be a strictly convex body containing $\mathbf{0}$ in the interior. Then for every $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a $\delta(\epsilon) > 0$ such that for all $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \text{bd } K$ with $|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}| \geq \epsilon$ we have $(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y})/2 \in (1 - \delta(\epsilon))K$. The function $\epsilon \rightarrow \delta(\epsilon)$ is called the modulus of convexity of K .

- i) Show that for the unit ball we may choose $\delta(\epsilon) = 1 - \sqrt{1 - \epsilon^2/4}$.
- ii) On $\text{bd } K$ we define a measure by setting $\mu(A) = \text{vol}(\text{conv}\{\mathbf{0}, A\})/\text{vol}(K)$, $A \subset \text{bd } K$. Now let $A \subset \text{bd } K$ with $\mu(A) \geq 1/2$. Show that for every $\epsilon > 0$ with $\delta(\epsilon) < 1/2$

$$\mu(\mathbf{x} \in \text{bd } K : \text{dist}(\mathbf{x}, A) \geq \epsilon) \leq 2(1 - \delta(\epsilon))^{2n}.$$

Hint: Let $B = \{\mathbf{x} \in \text{bd } K : \text{dist}(\mathbf{x}, A) \geq \epsilon\}$. First show $(1/2)\text{conv}\{\mathbf{0}, A\} + (1/2)\text{conv}\{\mathbf{0}, B\} \subseteq (1 - \delta(\epsilon))K$.

Exercise 2.3 Let $A \subseteq I_n$, $A \neq \emptyset$, and let $f : I_n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be given by $f(\mathbf{x}) = \text{dist}(\mathbf{x}, A)$. Let m_f be the median of f and a_f its average, i.e.,

$$a_f = \int_{I_n} f(\mathbf{x}) d\rho_n.$$

Show that $|m_f - a_f| \leq \sqrt{(n \ln n)/2} + 4\sqrt{n}$.

Exercise 2.4 Let $A \subseteq I_n$, $A \neq \emptyset$. Show that

$$\int_{I_n} \text{dist}(\mathbf{x}, A) d\rho_n \leq \frac{n}{2}.$$

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Exercise 1.1 Show that for $1 \leq p < \infty$ the space l_p is separable, i.e., it contains a countable dense subset. What about l_∞ ?

Exercise 1.2 Let $1 \leq p \leq 2$ and $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$. Show that

$$|x - y|^p + |x + y|^p \leq 2|x|^p + 2|y|^p.$$

Exercise 1.3 Let $1 \leq p \leq 2$. Infinitely many balls $B_p(\mathbf{z}, r)$ can be packed into the unit ball $B_p(\mathbf{0}, 1)$ if and only if

$$r \leq [1 + 2^{1-1/p}]^{-1}.$$

For $1 \geq r > [1 + 2^{1-1/p}]^{-1}$ let $m_p(r)$ be the maximum number of l_p -balls $B(\mathbf{z}, r)$ which can be packed into the unit l_p -ball $B(\mathbf{0}, 1)$. Then

$$m_p(r) \leq 1 + \left(\frac{1-r}{r}\right)^p \left(\frac{1-2^{1-p}}{1-2^{1-p}\left(\frac{1-r}{r}\right)^p}\right).$$

Exercise 1.4 Let $x \geq y \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$. Show that

$$x^p - y^p \begin{cases} \leq (x - y)^p, & 0 \leq p \leq 1, \\ \geq (x - y)^p, & 1 \leq p < \infty. \end{cases}$$

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