

## 22. Convex Operators and Convex Integrands

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**Introduction.** Let  $\Omega$  be an arbitrary set, let  $\Sigma$  be a  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\Omega$  (the measurable sets), and let  $\mu$  denote a nonnegative  $\sigma$ -finite measure on  $\Sigma$ . Let  $S(\Omega)$  be the space of all finite valued measurable functions on  $\Omega$ . We identify  $f$  and  $g \in S(\Omega)$  if they differ only on a set of  $\mu$ -measure zero. With the usual ordering  $S(\Omega)$  is an order complete vector lattice. A mapping  $F: \mathbf{R}^d \supset D(F) \rightarrow S(\Omega)$  is called a convex operator if  $D(F)$  the domain of  $F$  is a convex set of the  $d$ -dimensional Euclidean space  $\mathbf{R}^d$  and

$$F(\lambda x + (1-\lambda)y) \leq \lambda F(x) + (1-\lambda)F(y)$$

holds for every  $x, y \in D(F)$  and  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ . Many kinds of ordered vector spaces can be regarded as the subspaces of  $S(\Omega)$ , and hence this class of convex operators covers many cases. A function  $f: \mathbf{R}^d \times \Omega \rightarrow \mathbf{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$  is said to be a *convex integrand* if  $f(\cdot, t)$  is a convex function for each  $t \in \Omega$ . We say that a convex integrand  $f$  is a *representation* of a convex operator  $F$  if  $f(x, t)$  is measurable in  $t \in \Omega$  and  $f(x, \cdot) = F(x)$  holds for every  $x \in D(F)$ . Our main result (Theorem 1) asserts that every convex operator  $F: \mathbf{R}^d \supset D(F) \rightarrow S(\Omega)$  has at least a representation of  $F$ . In [3], one can see the proof of this result in one dimensional case. In general case, the proof is more complicated. In §2, we consider the relations between convex operators and their representations. In §3, we generalize the Fenchel-Moreau theorem by using representations, and give some conditions with which a convex operator can be represented by a normal convex integrand.

### §1. Representation theorem.

**Theorem 1.** *For every convex operator  $F: \mathbf{R}^d \supset D(F) \rightarrow S(\Omega)$ , there exists at least a representation of  $F$ .*

*Outline of the proof.* The proof is done by constructing a representation. The difficulty is to determine the value of  $f(x, t)$  when  $x$  belongs to  $\partial D(F)$  the boundary of  $D(F)$ . For each  $x \in \partial D(F)$ , let  $L_x$  be the largest linear manifold such that some neighborhoods of  $x$  in  $L_x$  are contained by  $\partial D(F)$ . First we define the values of  $f(x, t)$  on  $D^\circ(F) \times \Omega$  by a countable argument which is an analogy of the proof in one dimensional case. Next, for each  $L_x$  with  $\dim L_x = d-1$ , we define  $f(y, t)$  on  $(L_x \cap \partial D(F)) \times \Omega$  satisfying the followings.

- (a)  $\sup_{z \in D(F)} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} f(y + \lambda(z-y), t) \leq f(y, t)$  for every  $y \in L_x$ ,
- (b)  $f(\cdot, t)$  is convex on  $L_x$  on  $L_x \cap \partial D(F)$  for every  $t \in \Omega$ ,
- (c)  $f(y, \cdot) = (F(y))(\cdot)$  for every  $y \in L_x \cap D(F)$ .

We can choose such values for  $f(y, t)$  if we use the fact that, for each  $y \in L_x$ ,