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## ON THE MEASURABILITY OF EXTREME PARTIAL $\mathcal{I}$ -APPROXIMATE DERIVATIVES

### Abstract

In this paper we prove that the extreme partial derivatives of a function having the Baire property, have the Baire property too.

Let  $\mathbb{R}(\mathbb{R}^2)$  denote the real line (the plane) and let  $\mathbb{N}$  the family of all positive integers. All topological notations are given with respect to the natural topology. We introduce the following notation:

$\mathcal{I}(\mathbb{R}^2)$  - the  $\sigma$ -ideal of subsets of  $\mathbb{R}(\mathbb{R}^2)$  of the first category,

$\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^2)$  - the  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\mathbb{R}(\mathbb{R}^2)$  having the Baire property.

We start with the definition of  $\mathcal{I}$ -density point which was introduced in [3].

**Definition 1** [3] *We shall say that 0 is a point of  $\mathcal{I}$ -density of a set  $A \in \mathcal{S}$  if and only if for each sequence of positive integers  $\{n_m\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ , there exists a subsequence  $\{n_{m_p}\}_{p \in \mathbb{N}}$  such that*

$$\{x : \chi_{n_{m_p} \cdot A \cap [-1,1]}(x) \not\rightarrow 1\} \in \mathcal{I}.$$

*A point  $x_0$  is a point of  $\mathcal{I}$ -density of a set  $A \in \mathcal{S}$  if and only if 0 is a point of  $\mathcal{I}$ -density of the set  $A - x_0$ . A point  $x_0$  is a point  $\mathcal{I}$ -dispersion of a set  $A \in \mathcal{S}$  if and only if  $x_0$  is a point of  $\mathcal{I}$ -density of the set  $\mathbb{R} \setminus A$ .*

**Definition 2** [1] *Let  $F : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  have the Baire property in a neighborhood of  $x_0$ . The upper  $\mathcal{I}$ -approximate limit of  $F$  at  $x_0$  ( $\mathcal{I}\text{-}\limsup_{x \rightarrow x_0} F(x)$ ) is the greatest lower bound of the set  $\{y : \{x : F(x) > y\} \text{ has } x_0 \text{ as an } \mathcal{I}\text{-dispersion point}\}$ . The lower  $\mathcal{I}$ -approximate limit, the right-hand and left-hand upper and lower  $\mathcal{I}$ -approximate limits are defined similarly. If  $\mathcal{I}\text{-}\limsup_{x \rightarrow x_0} F(x) = \mathcal{I}\text{-}\liminf_{x \rightarrow x_0} F(x)$ , their common value is called the  $\mathcal{I}$ -approximate limit of  $F$  at  $x_0$  and denoted by  $\mathcal{I}\text{-}\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} F(x)$ .*

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Let  $F : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $(x_0, y_0) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . Put

$$U_{(x_0, y_0)}(x) = \frac{F(x, y_0) - F(x_0, y_0)}{x - x_0} \text{ for } x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq x_0.$$

**Definition 3** [1] *Let  $F : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be any function defined in some neighborhood of  $(x_0, y_0) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  and having the Baire property there in the direction of the  $x$ -axis. We define the upper  $\mathcal{I}$ -approximate partial right derivative of  $F$  at  $(x_0, y_0)$  ( $D_{-\text{ap}}^+ F_x(x_0, y_0)$ ) in the  $x$  direction as a corresponding extreme limit of  $U_{(x_0, y_0)}(x)$  as  $x$  tends to  $x_0$  from the right. The other extreme  $\mathcal{I}$ -approximate partial derivatives in the  $x$  direction are define similarly. If all of these derivatives are equal and finite, we call their common value the  $\mathcal{I}$ -approximate partial derivative of  $F$  at  $(x_0, y_0)$  and denote it by  $\mathcal{I} - F'_x(x_0, y_0)$ . In a similar way we can define the extreme  $\mathcal{I}$ -approximate derivative in the direction of the  $y$ -axis.*

**Lemma 4** [2] *Let  $G$  be an open set of the real line; then  $0$  is an  $\mathcal{I}$ -dispersion point of  $G$  if and only if, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exist  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and a real number  $\delta > 0$  such that, for any  $h \in (0, \delta)$  and  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , there exist two numbers  $j, j' \in \{1, \dots, k\}$  such that*

$$G \cap \left( \left( \frac{i-1}{n} + \frac{j-1}{nk} \right) \cdot h, \left( \frac{i-1}{n} + \frac{j}{nk} \right) \cdot h \right) = \emptyset$$

and

$$G \cap \left( - \left( \frac{i-1}{n} + \frac{j'}{nk} \right) \cdot h, - \left( \frac{i-1}{n} + \frac{j'-1}{nk} \right) \cdot h \right) = \emptyset.$$

**Lemma 5** *Let  $H \in \mathcal{S}$ . If  $0$  is an  $\mathcal{I}$ -dispersion point of  $H$ , then, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exist  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and a real number  $\delta > 0$  such that, for any  $h \in (0, \delta)$  and  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , there exist two numbers  $j, j' \in \{1, \dots, k\}$  such that*

$$H \cap \left( \left( \frac{i-1}{n} + \frac{j-1}{nk} \right) \cdot h, \left( \frac{i-1}{n} + \frac{j}{nk} \right) \cdot h \right) \in \mathcal{I}$$

and

$$H \cap \left( - \left( \frac{i-1}{n} + \frac{j'}{nk} \right) \cdot h, - \left( \frac{i-1}{n} + \frac{j'-1}{nk} \right) \cdot h \right) \in \mathcal{I}.$$

**PROOF.** Let  $H \in \mathcal{S}$ . Then there exist an open set  $G$  and two sets of the first category  $P_1, P_2$  such that  $H = (G \setminus P_1) \cup P_2$ . If  $0$  is an  $\mathcal{I}$ -dispersion point of the set  $H$ , then  $0$  is an  $\mathcal{I}$ -dispersion point of the set  $G$ . Therefore, by Lemma 4, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exist  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and a real number  $\delta > 0$  such that, for any  $h \in (0, \delta)$  and  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , there exist two numbers  $j, j' \in \{1, \dots, k\}$  such that

$$G \cap \left( \left( \frac{i-1}{n} + \frac{j-1}{nk} \right) \cdot h, \left( \frac{i-1}{n} + \frac{j}{nk} \right) \cdot h \right) = \emptyset$$

and

$$G \cap \left( - \left( \frac{i-1}{n} + \frac{j'}{nk} \right) \cdot h, - \left( \frac{i-1}{n} + \frac{j'-1}{nk} \right) \cdot h \right) = \emptyset.$$

We observe that, for each open interval  $(a, b)$ , if  $G \cap (a, b) = \emptyset$ , then  $H \cap (a, b) \subset P_2 \in \mathcal{I}$ . Therefore, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exist  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and a real number  $\delta > 0$  such that, for any  $h \in (0, \delta)$  and  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  there exist two numbers  $j, j' \in \{1, \dots, k\}$  such that

$$H \cap \left( \left( \frac{i-1}{n} + \frac{j-1}{nk} \right) \cdot h, \left( \frac{i-1}{n} + \frac{j}{nk} \right) \cdot h \right) \in \mathcal{I}$$

and

$$H \cap \left( - \left( \frac{i-1}{n} + \frac{j'}{nk} \right) \cdot h, - \left( \frac{i-1}{n} + \frac{j'-1}{nk} \right) \cdot h \right) \in \mathcal{I}.$$

**Theorem 6** *If a function  $F : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  has the Baire property, then the extreme  $\mathcal{I}$ -approximate partial derivatives also have the Baire property.*

**PROOF.** We shall only show that the function  $D_{\mathcal{I}\text{-ap}}^+ F_x$  has the Baire property. By our assumption, there exists a residual subset  $Q$  of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $F|_Q$  is a continuous function. It is sufficient to show that, for each  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , a set

$$A = \{(x, y) \in Q : D_{\mathcal{I}\text{-ap}}^+ F_x(x, y) < a\} \in \mathcal{S}^2.$$

We assume that  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $A \notin \mathcal{I}^2$ . Let  $\{t_m\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$  be an increasing sequence of real numbers such that  $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} t_m = a$ .

Let  $(x_0, y_0) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . We put  $Q_{y_0} = \{x : (x, y_0) \in Q\}$  and

$$G_m(x_0, y_0) = \{x > x_0 : U_{(x_0, y_0)}(x) > t_m \text{ and } x \in Q_{y_0}\}.$$

By the continuity of the function  $F|_Q$  we have that, for each  $(x_0, y_0) \in Q$ , the function  $U_{(x_0, y_0)|Q_{y_0}}(x)$  is a continuous one at each point  $x \neq x_0$  and therefore the set  $G_m(x_0, y_0)$  is an open set relative to  $Q_{y_0}$ . Additionally, by Kuratowski-Ulam theorem we have that

$$V = \{y : Q_y \text{ is not a residual subset of } \mathbb{R}\} \in \mathcal{I}.$$

Therefore a set  $C = \{(x, y) \in Q : y \in V\} \subset \mathbb{R} \times V \in \mathcal{I}^2$  and, for each  $(x, y) \in Q \setminus C$ ,  $G_m(x, y) \in \mathcal{S}$ . For each  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , let

$$A_m = \{(x, y) \in A \setminus C : x \text{ is a } \mathcal{I}\text{-dispersion point of the set } G_m(x, y)\}.$$

Then  $A \setminus C = \bigcup_{m \in \mathbb{N}} A_m$ .

Let  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . By Lemma 5 and since  $G_m(x, y) \in \mathcal{S}$ , for any  $(x, y) \in A_m$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exist  $p, k \in \mathbb{N}$  such that, for any  $0 < \delta < \frac{1}{p}$  and  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , there exists  $j \in \{1, \dots, k\}$  such that  $G_m(x, y) \cap I_{ijnk\delta}(x, y) \in \mathcal{I}$  where

$$I_{ijnk\delta}(x, y) = \left( \left( \frac{i-1}{n} + \frac{j-1}{n \cdot k} \right) \cdot \delta + x, \left( \frac{i-1}{n} + \frac{j}{n \cdot k} \right) \cdot \delta + x \right).$$

For any  $n, k, p \in \mathbb{N}$  let

$$D_{mnkp} = \bigcap_{\delta \in (0, \frac{1}{p})} \bigcap_{i \in \{1, \dots, n\}} \bigcup_{j \in \{1, \dots, k\}} \{(x, y) \in A_m : G_m(x, y) \cap I_{ijnk\delta}(x, y) \in \mathcal{I}\}.$$

Then, by the above,  $A_m = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \bigcup_{p \in \mathbb{N}} D_{mnkp}$ . Let  $n, m, k, p \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\delta \in W_p$ ,  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  and  $j \in \{1, \dots, k\}$ . We put

$$Z = \{(x, y) \in A_m : G_m(x, y) \cap I_{ijnk\delta}(x, y) \in \mathcal{I}\}.$$

We shall show that  $Z$  is a closed set relative to  $Q \setminus C$ . Let  $(x_0, y_0) \in ((Q \setminus C) \setminus Z)$ . Then  $G_m(x_0, y_0) \cap I_{ijnk\delta}(x_0, y_0) \notin \mathcal{I}$ . Therefore there exists  $x_1 \in G_m(x_0, y_0) \cap I_{ijnk\delta}(x_0, y_0) \cap Q_{y_0}$ . Since the point  $x_1 \in G_m(x_0, y_0)$ , we have that  $F(x_1, y_0) - F(x_0, y_0) > t_m \cdot t^*$  where  $t^* = x_1 - x_0$ . Let  $\epsilon > 0$  be such that  $F(x_1, y_0) - F(x_0, y_0) - 2 \cdot \epsilon > t_m \cdot t^*$ . By the continuity of the function  $F|_Q$  at  $(x_1, y_0)$  and since  $(x_1, y_0) \in Q$ , we have that there exists  $\eta_1 > 0$  such that if  $(x, y) \in (K((x_1, y_0), \eta_1) \cap Q)$ , then  $|F(x, y) - F(x_1, y_0)| < \epsilon$ . By the continuity of the function  $F|_Q$  in  $(x_0, y_0)$ , there exists  $\eta_0 > 0$  such that if  $(x, y) \in K((x_0, y_0), \eta_0) \cap Q$ , then  $|F(x, y) - F(x_0, y_0)| < \epsilon$ . Let  $\eta = \min\{\eta_1, \eta_0\}$  such that

$$x_1 \in \left( \frac{(i-1)k + j - 1}{nk} \delta + x_0 + \eta, \frac{(i-1)k + j}{nk} \delta + x_0 + \eta \right)$$

and

$$x_1 \in \left( \frac{(i-1)k + j - 1}{nk} \delta + x_0 - \eta, \frac{(i-1)k + j}{nk} \delta + x_0 - \eta \right)$$

We observe that if  $(x, y) \in K((x_0, y_0), \eta_1) \cap (Q \setminus C)$ , then there exists an open interval  $(a, b)$  such that

$$((a, b) \cap Q_y) \times \{y\} \subset K((x_1, y_0), \eta) \cap (I_{ijnk\delta}(x, y) \times \{y\}).$$

Let  $x' \in (a, b) \cap Q_y$  such that  $x' - x < t^*$ . Then

$$F(x', y) - F(x, y) > t_m \cdot t^* > t_m \cdot (x' - x).$$

Therefore there exists  $x' \in G_m(x, y) \cap I_{ijnk\delta}(x, y) \cap Q_y$ . Since the set  $G_m(x, y)$  is an open set in  $Q_y$ , we have that  $G_m(x, y) \cap I_{ijnk\delta}(x, y) \notin \mathcal{I}$ , so  $(x, y) \notin Z$ .

We showed that  $(Q \setminus C) \setminus Z$  is an open set in  $Q \setminus C$ , so  $Z$  is a closed set in  $Q \setminus C$ . Hence  $D_{mnkp}$  is also a closed set in  $Q \setminus C$ . Since  $C \in \mathcal{I}^2$  we have that  $D_{mnkp} \in \mathcal{S}^2$ . Therefore, for each  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $A_m \in \mathcal{S}^2$  and  $A \in \mathcal{S}^2$ . Thus the proof of the theorem is completed.

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