

TWO APPLICATIONS OF THE METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION BY ULTRAPOWERS TO ANALYSIS

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1. Introduction. Recently, A. Robinson in [1] has given a proper extension of classical analysis, which he called nonstandard analysis. His theory is based on the general metamathematical result that there exist nonstandard models for the system R of real numbers. Such models of R may be constructed in the form of ultrapowers as defined by T. Frayne, D. Scott, and A. Tarski in [2]. The object of this paper is to apply Robinson's method in order to obtain a new proof of the Hahn-Banach extension theorem and in order to give a new and simple proof of a result about the existence of certain measures on Boolean algebras which was recently obtained by O. Nikodým in [3; 4].

It may be of interest to the reader to point out that the use of nonstandard arguments in the proof of the Hahn-Banach extension theorem eliminates the use of Zorn's lemma. In fact, the validity of the Hahn-Banach extension theorem is a consequence of the apparently weaker hypothesis that every proper filter is contained in an ultrafilter, i.e., the prime ideal theorem for Boolean algebras. It seems likely, that conversely the Hahn-Banach extension theorem implies the prime ideal theorem for Boolean algebras.

A more detailed presentation of the subject of this announcement will be contained in lecture notes on nonstandard analysis under preparation by the author.

2. Nonstandard models of R . Let R denote the real number system. Let D be an arbitrary set and let \mathfrak{U} be an ultrafilter on D . If A and B are two mappings of D into R , i.e., $A, B \in D^R$, then we say that $A \equiv_{\mathfrak{U}} B$ if and only if $\{n: n \in D \text{ and } A(n) = B(n)\} \in \mathfrak{U}$. The relation $A \equiv_{\mathfrak{U}} B$ is easily seen to be an equivalence relation. The set D^R/\mathfrak{U} of all equivalence classes will be denoted by R^* and the equivalence class of a mapping A of D into R will be denoted by a . Thus $A \in a$. Finally, we define the algebraic operations in R^* as follows: $a + b = c$ if and only if there exist elements $A \in a$, $B \in b$ and $C \in c$ such that $\{n: n \in D \text{ and } A(n) + B(n) = C(n)\} \in \mathfrak{U}$; and a similar definition

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for $ab = c$ and $a \leq b$. With these definitions R^* is a totally-ordered field and $R \subseteq R^*$. If $R \neq R^*$, then R^* is non-archimedean and is a non-standard model of R . In this case the following two subsets are introduced. M_0 is the set of all $a \in R^*$ such that $|a| < r$ for some $r \in R$. Then M_0 is a ring and the elements of M_0 are called the finite elements of R^* . M_1 is the set of all $a \in R^*$ such that $|a| < r$ for all $r \in R$ and $r > 0$. The elements of M_1 are called infinitesimals. Furthermore, M_1 is a maximal ideal of M_0 and M_0/M_1 is isomorphic to R . The homomorphism of M_0 onto R with kernel M_1 will be called "standard part" and will be denoted by st . If $a \in M_0$, then $st(a)$ is the unique real number which is infinitely close to a . This homomorphism is order preserving.

The terminology used in this section is taken from [1].

3. The Hahn-Banach extension theorem. In this section we shall sketch a proof of the Hahn-Banach extension theorem using non-standard arguments.

THEOREM (HAHN-BANACH). *Let E be a real linear space and let p be a sublinear functional defined on E , i.e., a mapping p of E into R such that $p(x+y) \leq p(x) + p(y)$ for all $x, y \in E$ and $p(tx) = tp(x)$ for all $x \in E$ and all real $t \geq 0$. If f is a real linear functional defined on a linear subspace G of E such that $f(x) \leq p(x)$ for all $x \in G$, then there exists a real linear functional F on E such that $F(x) = f(x)$ for all $x \in G$ and $F(x) \leq p(x)$ for all $x \in E$.*

PROOF. Let $\{f_n : n \in D\}$ be the family of all linear functionals which are defined on some linear subspace of E which contains G and which have the following properties: $f_n(x) = f(x)$ for all $x \in G$ and $f_n(x) \leq p(x)$ for all $x \in E$ for which $f_n(x)$ is defined. It is evident that $D \neq \emptyset$. For every $x \in E$ we denote by D_x the set of all indices $n \in D$ such that the domain of f_n contains x . It follows from Banach's proof (see [5, p. 28]) that $D_x \neq \emptyset$ for all $x \in E$. Furthermore, the family $\{D_x : x \in E\}$ of subsets of D has the finite intersection property, i.e., if x_1, \dots, x_n are elements of E , then $\bigcap_{i=1}^n D_{x_i} \neq \emptyset$. Indeed, apply Banach's construction successively to the elements x_1, \dots, x_n . Hence, there exists an ultrafilter \mathcal{U} on D which contains the family $\{D_x : x \in E\}$. Let R^* be the ultrapower D^R/\mathcal{U} . Then we define the following mapping \tilde{f} of E into R^* . If $x \in E$, then $\tilde{f}(x)$ is that element of R^* which is determined by an element A of D^R such that $A(n) = f_n(x)$ for all $n \in D_x$. Then it is easy to see that \tilde{f} is a linear transformation of E into R^* (consider R^* as a vector space over R) and that \tilde{f} has the following properties: (i) $\tilde{f}(x) = f(x)$ for all $x \in G$ and (ii) $\tilde{f}(x) \leq p(x)$ for all $x \in E$.

From (ii) it follows that $-p(-x) \leq \bar{f}(x) \leq p(x)$ for all $x \in E$, i.e., $\bar{f}(x)$ is finite for all $x \in E$. Hence, $F(x) = \text{st}(\bar{f}(x))$ is the required linear functional. This completes the proof of the theorem.

REMARK. The proof shows that the ultrafilter \mathfrak{U} is fixed, i.e., there exists an element $n \in D$ such that $\{n\} \in \mathfrak{U}$. Furthermore, there exists a one-to-one correspondence between the family of all ultrafilters on D containing the family $\{D_x: x \in E\}$ and the family of all extensions of f satisfying the conditions of the theorem.

4. **A theorem of Nikodým.** Let B be a Boolean algebra. It is well-known that there does not always exist on B a strictly positive real-valued finitely additive measure. Therefore, the following result, which was recently obtained by O. Nikodým in [3; 4], is of interest.

THEOREM (O. NIKODYM). *For every Boolean algebra B there exists a totally ordered field F which is in general non-archimedean such that B admits a strictly positive F -valued finitely additive measure.*

PROOF. Let B be a Boolean algebra and let $\{\mu_n: n \in D\}$ be the collection of all real-valued measures on B such that $\mu_n(1) = 1$ for all $n \in D$. For every $0 \neq a \in B$ we denote by D_a the set of all $n \in D$ such that $\mu_n(a) \neq 0$. It is well known that $D \neq \emptyset$ for all $0 \neq a \in B$ (Stone's Theorem). Hence, the family of sets $\{D_a: 0 \neq a \in B\}$ has the finite intersection property. Let \mathfrak{U} be an ultrafilter on D which contains the family $\{D_a: 0 \neq a \in B\}$. Let F be the ultrapower $D^{\mathbb{R}}/\mathfrak{U}$. Then F is a totally-ordered field, $R \subseteq F$ and $R \neq F$ if and only if F is non-archimedean. We define now the following mapping $\bar{\mu}$ of B into F . If $0 \neq a \in B$, then $\bar{\mu}(a)$ is that element of F which is determined by the element $A \in D^{\mathbb{R}}$ which has the following property: $A(n) = \mu_n(a)$ for all $n \in D_a$; and we define $\bar{\mu}(0) = 0$. Then, by construction, $\bar{\mu}$ has the following properties: (i) $\bar{\mu}(a) = 0$ if and only if $a = 0$, i.e., $\bar{\mu}$ is strictly positive and (ii) $\bar{\mu}(a \vee b) = \bar{\mu}(a) + \bar{\mu}(b)$ whenever $a \wedge b = 0$, i.e., $\bar{\mu}$ is finitely-additive. This completes the proof of the theorem.

REMARK. If B does not admit a strictly positive real-valued finitely additive measure, then the totally-ordered field F constructed in the proof of the preceding theorem is a proper extension of R and hence, $\bar{\mu}(a)$ is infinitesimal for at least one element $0 \neq a \in B$.

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