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#### ON THE DIFFERENTIATION OF CONVEX FUNCTIONS

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If f is a real continuous convex function which domain  $D_f$  is an open convex subset of a Banach space B, we denote by N(f) the set of all points  $x \in D_f$  at which f is not Gâte-aux differentiable.

Definition: A set XCB is called (C - C)-hypersurface if there exist a closed hyperplane  $H \subset B$ , a vector  $\mathbf{v} \notin H$ -H and two continuous convex functions f, g defined on H such that

$$X = \{x + (f(x) - g(x)) \cdot v, x \in H\}$$

Theorem (i) If f is a continuous convex function in a separable Banach space then N(f) can be covered by a countable union of (C - C)-hypersurfaces.

(ii) If  $A \subset B$  is a countable union of (C - C)-hypersurfaces then there exists a continuous convex function f on B such that  $A \subset N(f)$ .

Remark: It follows from independent results of N. Aronszajn and R. Phelps on Gâteaux differentiation of Lipschitz functions that N(f) and consequently any (C - C)-hypersurface in separable Banach space is of measure zero for any Gaussian measure on B. But I am not able to prove it directly using the above theorem.