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**Abstract:** It is proved that if  $X$  is a uniformly non-square normed space,  $\Phi$  is a uniformly convex Orlicz function satisfying the respective condition  $\Delta_2$  and  $\mu$  is a non-negative and  $\sigma$ -finite measure, then the Orlicz-Bochner space  $L^{\Phi}(\mu, X)$  is uniformly non-square. It is proved also that the assumptions about  $X$  and partially about  $\Phi$  are necessary.

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0. Introduction.  $(T, \Sigma, \mu)$  is a measure space with non-negative and  $\sigma$ -finite measure,  $R$  denotes the real line,  $R_+ = [0, +\infty)$ ,  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  is a normed space. We assume for simplicity that all atoms are of measure one. A mapping  $\Phi: R \rightarrow R_+$  is called an Orlicz function if it is convex, even, and vanishing only at zero. By  $F(\mu, X)$  we denote the space of all equivalence classes of strongly  $\Sigma$ -measurable functions  $f: T \rightarrow X$ .

Let  $\Phi$  be an Orlicz function. We define on  $F(\mu, X)$  the convex modular  $I$  (for definition see [9]) by

$$I(f) = \int_T \Phi(\|f(t)\|) d\mu.$$

The Orlicz-Bochner space  $L^{\Phi}(\mu, X)$  is defined by

$$L^{\Phi}(\mu, X) = \{f \in F(\mu, X): I(kf) < \infty \text{ for some } k > 0\}.$$

This space is a normed space under the so-called Luxemburg norm

$$\|f\|_{\Phi} = \inf \{r > 0: I(x/r) \leq 1\}.$$

We say an Orlicz function  $\Phi$  is uniformly convex (see [8]) if for every  $a \in (0,1)$  there exists  $p(a) \in (0,1)$  such that

$$\Phi\left(\frac{u+au}{2}\right) \leq \frac{1-p(a)}{2} \{\Phi(u) + \Phi(au)\}$$

for every  $u \in \mathbb{R}$ . If  $\Phi$  is a uniformly convex Orlicz function, then the inequality

$$\Phi\left(\frac{u+bu}{2}\right) \leq \frac{1-p(a)}{2} \{\Phi(u) + \Phi(bu)\}$$

holds for all  $u \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $0 \leq b \leq a$  (see [1]).

A normed space  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  is called uniformly non-square if there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that for every  $x, y \in X$  satisfying  $\max(\|x\|, \|y\|) \leq 1$  we have  $\min(\|\frac{x+y}{2}\|, \|\frac{x-y}{2}\|) \leq 1 - \varepsilon$  (see [5]).

### 1. Results

Theorem 1.1. Let  $\Phi$  be a uniformly convex Orlicz function satisfying the respective condition  $\Delta_2$ , i.e. there exists a constant  $K, a > 0$  such that the inequality  $\Phi(2u) \leq K \Phi(u)$  holds:

- (i) for all  $u \in \mathbb{R}$  if  $\mu$  is an infinite measure that is not purely atomic,
- (ii) for  $u \in \mathbb{R}$  satisfying  $|u| \geq a$  if  $\mu$  is an atomless and finite measure,
- (iii) for  $u \in \mathbb{R}$  satisfying  $|u| \leq a$  if  $\mu$  is a purely atomic measure.

Let  $X$  be a uniformly non-square normed space. Then the Orlicz-Bochner space  $L^{\Phi}(\mu, X)$  is uniformly non-square.

Proof. It follows from the respective condition  $\Delta_2$  for  $\Phi$  that for every  $\varepsilon \in (0,1)$  there exists  $\sigma(\varepsilon) \in (0,1)$  such that for every  $f \in L^{\Phi}(\mu, X)$  the inequality  $I(f) \leq 1 - \varepsilon$  implies  $\|f\|_{\Phi} \leq 1 -$

-  $\delta(\varepsilon)$  (see [3], [6], [8]).

First, we shall prove the inequality

$$(1) \quad \Phi\left(\left\|\frac{x+y}{2}\right\|\right) + \Phi\left(\left\|\frac{x-y}{2}\right\|\right) \leq \alpha \{\Phi(\|x\|) + \Phi(\|y\|)\}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$  (with an absolute constant  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ ). Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be the  $\varepsilon$  in the definition of  $X$  being uniformly non-square and let  $x, y \in X$ . We have

$$\min\left(\left\|\frac{x+y}{2}\right\|, \left\|\frac{x-y}{2}\right\|\right) \leq (1 - \varepsilon) \max(\|x\|, \|y\|).$$

Without loss of generality we may assume that  $\|y\| \leq \|x\|$  and  $\|x+y\| \leq \|x-y\|$ . Thus, we have  $\|x+y\| \leq 2(1 - \varepsilon) \|x\|$ . We shall consider two cases.

I.  $\|x\| \leq \|y\|/\sqrt{1 - \varepsilon}$ . Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi\left(\left\|\frac{x+y}{2}\right\|\right) &\leq \Phi((1 - \varepsilon)\|x\|) \leq \Phi(\sqrt{1 - \varepsilon} \frac{\|x\| + \|y\|}{2}) \leq \\ &\leq \frac{\sqrt{1 - \varepsilon}}{2} \{\Phi(\|x\|) + \Phi(\|y\|)\}. \end{aligned}$$

II.  $\|y\| \leq \sqrt{1 - \varepsilon} \|x\|$ . Then, by uniform convexity of  $\Phi$ , we have

$$\Phi\left(\left\|\frac{x+y}{2}\right\|\right) \leq \Phi\left\{\frac{\|x\| + \|y\|}{2}\right\} \leq \frac{1-p(\sqrt{1 - \varepsilon})}{2} \{\Phi(\|x\|) + \Phi(\|y\|)\}.$$

Denoting  $\sigma = \max(\sqrt{1 - \varepsilon}, 1 - p(\sqrt{1 - \varepsilon}))$  and applying the triangle inequality for the norm  $\|\cdot\|$  and convexity of  $\Phi$  to the term  $\Phi\left(\left\|\frac{x-y}{2}\right\|\right)$ , we get the inequality (1) with  $\alpha = (\sigma + 1)/2$ .

Now, let  $f, g \in L^{\Phi}(\mu, X)$  and  $\max(\|f\|_{\Phi}, \|g\|_{\Phi}) \leq 1$ . Then  $\max(I(f), I(g)) \leq 1$ . Applying the inequality (1), we have for any  $t \in T$

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi\left(\left\|\frac{f(t) + g(t)}{2}\right\|\right) + \Phi\left(\left\|\frac{f(t) - g(t)}{2}\right\|\right) &\leq \alpha \{\Phi(\|f(t)\|) + \\ &+ \Phi(\|g(t)\|)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Integrating this inequality both-side over  $T$ , we get

$$I\left(\frac{f+g}{2}\right) + I\left(\frac{f-g}{2}\right) \leq \alpha(I(f) + I(g)) \leq 2\alpha.$$

Thus, we have

$$\min\left(I\left(\frac{f+g}{2}\right), I\left(\frac{f-g}{2}\right)\right) \leq \alpha.$$

Hence, we obtain

$$\min\left(\left\|\frac{f+g}{2}\right\|_{\Phi}, \left\|\frac{f-g}{2}\right\|_{\Phi}\right) \leq 1 - \sigma(1 - \alpha),$$

and the proof is finished.

**Theorem 1.2.** If the Orlicz-Bechner space  $L^{\Phi}(\mu, X)$  is uniformly non-square, then  $\Phi$  is an Orlicz function satisfying the respective condition  $\Delta_2$  and  $X$  is a uniformly non-square normed space.

**Proof.** If  $\Phi$  does not satisfy the respective condition  $\Delta_2$ , then the space  $L^{\Phi}(\mu, X)$  contains an isometric copy of  $l^{\infty}$  (see e.g. [3], [4], [7] and [11]) and so  $L^{\Phi}(\mu, X)$  is not a uniformly non-square, because  $l^{\infty}$  is not, too (see [2]).

If  $X$  is not uniformly non-square, then for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there exist  $x, y \in X$  such that  $\max(\|x\|, \|y\|) \leq 1$  and  $\min(\|x+y\|, \|x-y\|) > 2(1 - \epsilon)$ . Let  $u_0 > 0$  and  $\Lambda \in \Sigma$  be such that  $\Phi(u_0)\mu(\Lambda) = 1$ , and let

$$f = u_0 x \chi_{\Lambda}, \quad g = u_0 y \chi_{\Lambda}.$$

We have  $\max(\|f\|_{\Phi}, \|g\|_{\Phi}) \leq 1$  and  $\min(\|f+g\|_{\Phi}, \|f-g\|_{\Phi}) > 2(1 - \epsilon)$ . Thus, the space  $L^{\Phi}(\mu, X)$  is not uniformly non-square.

**Remarks.** Theorem 1.1 and inequality (1) are some generalizations of Theorem 15 [10] and of Lemma 14 [10], respectively, in the case  $n=2$ . Note that the method of the proof of the inequality (1) is new.

An example of uniformly convex Orlicz function is  $\Phi_p(u) = |u|^p$ , where  $1 < p < \infty$ . Then  $p(a) = 1 - 2^{1-p}(1+a^p)$ . Moreover, if  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  are two Orlicz functions and if at least one of them

is uniformly convex, then the Orlicz functions  $\Phi \circ \Psi$  and  $\bar{\Phi} \cdot \Psi$  are also uniformly convex (see [3]). The function  $\bar{\Phi} \circ \Psi$  may be uniformly convex even if no function  $\bar{\Phi}, \Psi$  is uniformly convex.

Question. Does Theorem 1.1 hold under the weaker assumption  $\Phi(u/2) \leq \sigma \Phi(u)/2$  for all  $u \in \mathbb{R}$  with an absolute constant  $\sigma \in (0,1)$  instead of the assumption of uniform convexity of  $\Phi$  ?

This weaker condition is necessary in order that  $L^{\Phi}(\mu, X)$  be uniformly non-square.

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