

A RELATION BETWEEN POROSITY CONVERGENCE AND PRETANGENT SPACES

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ABSTRACT. The convergence of porosity is one of the relatively new concept in Mathematical analysis. It is completely structurally different from the other convergence concepts. Here we give a relation between porosity convergence and pretangent spaces.

1. Introduction

The notion of convergence, as one of the fundamental concepts in Mathematical analysis, has many generalizations such as statistical convergence [14, 23], ideal convergence [21], convergence in measure [26], A -convergence for a matrix A [15, 19, 20], etc. Unlike all types of convergences given in the literature with different forms, porosity convergence as relatively new is defined in [2]. The basis of this study lies in redefinition of the porosity notion from a point in $[0, \infty)$ to infinity in natural numbers [3].

Porosity notion appeared in the papers of Denjoy [7, 8] and Khintchine [18] and, Dolzenko [9]. It has many applications such as in theory of free boundarie [16], generalized subharmonic functions [11], complex dynamics [22], quasisymmetric maps [25], infinitesimal geometry [5] and some other areas of mathematics.

Let us remember the definitions of right upper porosity for subsets of real numbers at zero. Let $E \subset \mathbb{R}^+$, then the right upper porosity of E at 0 is defined as

$$p^+(E) = \limsup_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\lambda(E, h)}{h}$$

where $\lambda(E, h)$ is the length of the largest open subinterval of $(0, h)$ that contains no point of E [24].

The notion of right lower porosity of E at 0 is defined similarly.

In [3] the definition of porosity which was given for the subsets of real numbers, have been redefined for the subsets of natural numbers by using a special function which is called scaling function.

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Let $\mu: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ be a strictly decreasing function such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(n) = 0$ and let A be a subset of \mathbb{N} . Now, let us recall from [3] that upper and lower porosity of A at infinity as follows

$$\bar{p}_\mu(A) := \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\lambda_\mu(A, n)}{\mu(n)}, \quad \underline{p}_\mu(A) := \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\lambda_\mu(A, n)}{\mu(n)}$$

where

$$\lambda_\mu(A, n) := \sup \{ |\mu(n^{(1)}) - \mu(n^{(2)})| : n \leq n^{(1)} < n^{(2)}, (n^{(1)}, n^{(2)}) \cap A = \emptyset \}.$$

From the definitions of upper and lower porosity of a subset of \mathbb{N} at infinity, we have the following trivial result [3].

REMARK 1.1. [3] If A is a finite subset of \mathbb{N} , that is $|A| < \infty$, then, for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\lambda_\mu(A, n)$ is the length of the largest open subinterval of $(0, \mu(n))$ that contains no point of $\mu(A)$ and has a form $(\mu(n^{(2)}), \mu(n^{(1)}))$ with $\mu(n^{(1)}) < \mu(n^{(2)})$. For the case of finite A we evidently have $\lambda_\mu(A, n) = \mu(n)$ for all sufficiently large n . Consequently the equality $\bar{p}_\mu(A) = \underline{p}_\mu(A) = 1$ holds with every scaling function μ for all $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ with $|A| < \infty$.

Throughout this paper, we will use only the right upper porosity and the following terminology. A set $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ is called

- (i) porous at infinity if $\bar{p}_\mu(A) > 0$;
- (ii) strongly porous at infinity if $\bar{p}_\mu(A) = 1$;
- (iii) nonporous at infinity if $\bar{p}_\mu(A) = 0$.

Let us recall the definition of porosity convergence:

DEFINITION 1.1. [2] Let $\tilde{x} = (x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a real valued sequence. We say that, \tilde{x} is \bar{p}_μ convergent to l if for each $\varepsilon > 0$,

$$\bar{p}_\mu(A_\varepsilon) > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{p}_\mu(A_\varepsilon^c) = 0$$

where $A_\varepsilon := \{n : |x_n - l| \geq \varepsilon\}$ and A_ε^c is the complement of the set A_ε . It is denoted by $\tilde{x} \rightarrow l(\bar{p}_\mu)$.

Let us note that the second condition in Definition 1.1 is necessary for only uniqueness of \bar{p}_μ -limit.

In [2], it is particularly shown that \bar{p}_μ -convergence is a regular summability method for real (or complex) valued sequences.

Our aim is to establish the relationship between porosity convergence and pretangent space of the set $\mu(A_\varepsilon) \cup \{0\} \subset [0, \infty)$.

The concept of pretangent space was defined by Dovgoshey and Martio in [12, 13] for the first time. After this basic studies, tangent spaces are the focus of research [1, 6, 10].

Now, let us recall construction of pretangent spaces to E in the particular case when $E \subset \mathbb{R}^+$. Let $\tilde{r} = (r_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence of positive real numbers such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r_n = 0$. The sequence \tilde{r} will be called a normalizing sequence. We define the set

$$\tilde{E} := \{ \tilde{x} = (x_n) : x_n \in E, \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0 \}.$$

DEFINITION 1.2. [3] Two sequences $\tilde{x} = (x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in \tilde{E}$ and $\tilde{y} = (y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in \tilde{E}$ are mutually stable w.r.t. \tilde{r} if the following limit

$$(1.1) \quad |\tilde{x} - \tilde{y}|_{\tilde{r}} := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x_n - y_n|}{r_n}$$

exists and is finite.

A family $\tilde{F} \subseteq \tilde{E}$ is called self-stable (w.r.t. \tilde{r}) if each pair of sequences $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y} \in \tilde{F}$ are mutually stable. A family $\tilde{F} \subseteq \tilde{X}$ is called maximal self-stable if \tilde{F} is self-stable and for an arbitrary $\tilde{z} \in \tilde{E}$ either $\tilde{z} \in \tilde{F}$ or there is a sequence $\tilde{x} \in \tilde{F}$ such that \tilde{x} and \tilde{z} are not mutually stable.

PROPOSITION 1.1. [12, 13] Let $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^+$ be a pointed set with the marked point $0 \in E$. Then, for every normalizing sequence $\tilde{r} = (r_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, there exists a maximal self-stable family $\tilde{E}_{0, \tilde{r}}$ such that $\tilde{0} := (0, \dots, 0, 0, \dots) \in \tilde{E}_{0, \tilde{r}}$.

Consider a function $|\cdot, \cdot|_{\tilde{r}} : \tilde{E}_{0, \tilde{r}} \times \tilde{E}_{0, \tilde{r}} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that $|\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}|_{\tilde{r}} = |\tilde{x} - \tilde{y}|_{\tilde{r}}$ is defined by (1.1). Obviously, it is nonnegative, symmetric and satisfies the triangle inequality $|\tilde{x} - \tilde{y}|_{\tilde{r}} \leq |\tilde{x} - \tilde{z}|_{\tilde{r}} + |\tilde{z} - \tilde{y}|_{\tilde{r}}$ for all $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{z} \in \tilde{E}_{0, \tilde{r}}$. Therefore, $(\tilde{E}_{0, \tilde{r}}, |\cdot, \cdot|_{\tilde{r}})$ is a pseudometric space.

DEFINITION 1.3. [12, 13] Let $\tilde{E}_{0, \tilde{r}}$ be a maximal self-stable family. A pretangent space to $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^+$ (at the point $0 \in E$ w.r.t. \tilde{r}) is the metric identification of a pseudometric space $(\tilde{E}_{0, \tilde{r}}, |\cdot, \cdot|_{\tilde{r}})$.

Because the notion of pretangent space is important for the paper, we shall describe the metric identification construction (see, for example, [17]). Define a binary relation \sim on $\tilde{E}_{0, \tilde{r}}$ by $\tilde{x} \sim \tilde{y}$ if and only if $|\tilde{x} - \tilde{y}|_{\tilde{r}} = 0$. It is clear that \sim is an equivalence relation. Let us denote by $\Omega_{0, \tilde{r}}^E$ the set of equivalence classes in $\tilde{E}_{0, \tilde{r}}$ under \sim . For an arbitrary $\alpha, \beta \in \Omega_{0, \tilde{r}}^E$, we set

$$\rho(\alpha, \beta) := |\tilde{x} - \tilde{y}|_{\tilde{r}}, \quad \tilde{x} \in \alpha, \tilde{y} \in \beta.$$

The function ρ is a well-defined metric on $\Omega_{0, \tilde{r}}^E$. By definition, $(\Omega_{0, \tilde{r}}^E, \rho)$ is the metric identification of $(\tilde{E}_{0, \tilde{r}}, |\cdot, \cdot|_{\tilde{r}})$.

LEMMA 1.1. *The equality*

$$(1.2) \quad \bar{\Omega}_{0, \tilde{r}}^{\mathbb{R}^+} = \mathbb{R}^+$$

holds for any normalizing sequence \tilde{r} .

PROOF. Let us note that $0 \in \bar{\Omega}_{0, \tilde{r}}^{\mathbb{R}^+}$ to prove (1.2). If $\tilde{x} := (hr_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ for any $h \in (0, \infty)$, then we obviously have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} hr_n/r_n = h$. By [3, Corollary 2.5] we obtain $\tilde{x} \in \bar{\mathbb{R}}_{0, \tilde{r}}^+$ is a maximal self-stable family corresponding to $\Omega_{0, \tilde{r}}^{\mathbb{R}^+}$. The statements $h \in \bar{\Omega}_{0, \tilde{r}}^{\mathbb{R}^+}$ is fulfilled by [3, Proposition 2.6]. Consequently, (1.2) holds. \square

DEFINITION 1.4. Let A and B be any subsets of \mathbb{R}^+ . We shall write $A \preceq B$, if for every sequence $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in \tilde{A} \setminus \{\tilde{0}\}$, there is a sequence $(t_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in \tilde{B} \setminus \{\tilde{0}\}$, such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n/t_n = 1$ holds [3].

2. Main results

Let $\tilde{x} = (x_n)$ be a real valued sequence and $\mu: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ be a scaling function. Consider the sets $A_\varepsilon^\mu := \mu(A_\varepsilon) \cup \{0\} \subset [0, \infty)$ and $A_\varepsilon^{c\mu} := \mu(A_\varepsilon^c) \cup \{0\} \subset [0, \infty)$ where $A_\varepsilon := \{k : |x_k - l| \geq \varepsilon\}$ for any $\varepsilon > 0$.

THEOREM 2.1. *The following statements are equivalent.*

(i) *The sequence $\tilde{x} = (x_n)$ is not \bar{p}_μ -convergent to l . i.e.,*

$$(2.1) \quad x \not\rightarrow l(\bar{p}_\mu), \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

(ii) *The equality*

$$(2.2) \quad \bar{\Omega}_{0, \tilde{r}}^{A_\varepsilon^\mu} = \mathbb{R}^+$$

holds for every normalizing sequence \tilde{r} .

(iii) *There exists a subsequence \tilde{r}' of normalizing sequence \tilde{r} such that the pretangent space $\bar{\Omega}_{0, \tilde{r}'}^{A_\varepsilon^\mu}$ includes a dense subset of $(0, 1)$.*

PROOF. (i) \Rightarrow (ii) Assume that $x \not\rightarrow l(\bar{p}_\mu)$, $n \rightarrow \infty$. Then, the set A_ε is a nonporous subset of \mathbb{N} at infinity for every ε . So, the set A_ε has infinitely many elements, and it can be represented as $A_\varepsilon = \{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k, n_{k+1}, \dots\}$ where (n_k) is strictly increasing sequence of natural numbers.

Since $\bar{p}_\mu(A_\varepsilon) = 0$, then from [3, Proposition 3.5] we have that

$$(2.3) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mu(n_{k+1})}{\mu(n_k)} = 1.$$

Let $\tilde{t} = \{t_m\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence of positive reals such that $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} t_m = 0$. For every $m \in \mathbb{N}$, define the number $k(m)$ as follows $k(m) := \min\{k \in \mathbb{N} : \mu(n_k) \leq t_m\}$. Then, the double inequalities

$$(2.4) \quad \mu(n_{k(m)}) \leq t_m < \mu(n_{k(m)-1})$$

hold for all sufficiently large m . It follows from (2.3) and (2.4) that

$$1 \leq \liminf_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{t_m}{\mu(n_{k(m)})} \leq \limsup_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{t_m}{\mu(n_{k(m)})} \leq \limsup_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mu(n_{k(m)-1})}{\mu(n_{k(m)})} = 1$$

holds. Hence, we conclude that $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{t_m}{\mu(n_{k(m)})} = 1$ holds. Since $(t_m) \subset \mathbb{R}^+$ and $\mu(n_{k(m)}) \subset \mu(A_\varepsilon) \cup \{0\}$, then we have

$$(2.5) \quad \mathbb{R}^+ \preceq \mu(A_\varepsilon) \preceq A_\varepsilon^\mu \preceq \mathbb{R}^+.$$

Let $\tilde{r} = (r_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be any normalizing sequence. By considering (2.5) with [3, Proposition 2.9] we have $\bar{\Omega}_{0, \tilde{r}}^{A_\varepsilon^\mu} = \bar{\Omega}_{0, \tilde{r}}^{\mathbb{R}^+}$. Consequently, from Lemma 1.1, (2.2) holds.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii) is trivial. Let prove (iii) \Rightarrow (i). Now assume that (iii) holds. Using [3, Theorem 3.6] we obtain that

$$(2.6) \quad \bar{p}(A_\varepsilon^\mu) = 0.$$

Since $\bar{p}(A_\varepsilon^\mu) = \bar{p}(\mu(A_\varepsilon))$, then equality (2.6) implies that $\bar{p}(\mu(A_\varepsilon)) = 0$. By the equality of $\bar{p}(\mu(E)) = \bar{p}_\mu(E)$ for $E \subseteq \mathbb{N}$, we have $\bar{p}(\mu(A_\varepsilon)) = \bar{p}_\mu(A_\varepsilon)$. Consequently (2.1) holds. \square

THEOREM 2.2. *The following statements are equivalent.*

- (i) *The sequence $\tilde{x} = (x_n)$ is (\bar{p}_μ) -convergent to l . i.e., $x_n \rightarrow l(\bar{p}_\mu)$.*
- (ii) *There is a normalizing sequence \tilde{r} and an interval $(a, b) \subseteq (0, 1)$ with $|a - b| > 0$ such that the equalities $\bar{\Omega}_{0, \tilde{r}}^{A_\varepsilon^\mu} \cap (a, b) = \emptyset$ and $\bar{\Omega}_{0, \tilde{r}}^{A_\varepsilon^{c\mu}} = \mathbb{R}^+$ holds for every \tilde{r}' and $\varepsilon > 0$.*

PROOF. Let us assume that $x_n \rightarrow l(\bar{p}_\mu)$ holds. So, $\bar{p}_\mu(A_\varepsilon) > 0$ and $\bar{p}_\mu(A_\varepsilon^c) = 0$ hold for any $\varepsilon > 0$. From [3, Theorem 3.4] we have $\bar{p}(\mu(A_\varepsilon)) > 0$ and $\bar{p}(\mu(A_\varepsilon^c)) = 0$. Also, it is clear that $\bar{p}(A_\varepsilon^\mu) > 0$ and $\bar{p}(A_\varepsilon^{c\mu}) = 0$ hold. If we use [3, Theorems 2.1 and 2.12], then we obtain that (i) \Leftrightarrow (ii). \square

COROLLARY 2.1. *Let $\tilde{x} = (x_n)$ be a real valued sequence. If $x_n \rightarrow l(\bar{p}_\mu)$, then there exists a normalizing sequence \tilde{r} such that $\mathbb{R}^+ \setminus \bar{\Omega}_{0, \tilde{r}}^{A_\varepsilon^\mu} \neq \emptyset$ holds.*

3. Some examples

In this section we give two examples as application of last section. We take here $\mu(n) = \frac{1}{n}$ as a scaling function only for simplicity.

EXAMPLE 3.1. Consider the sequence $\tilde{x} = ((-1)^n)$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$. It is clear that it is not porosity convergent i.e., $(-1)^n \not\rightarrow 1(\bar{p}_\mu)$ and $(-1)^n \not\rightarrow -1(\bar{p}_\mu)$. So, from Theorem 2.1 we have

$$(3.1) \quad \bar{\Omega}_{0, \tilde{r}}^{A_\varepsilon^\mu} = \mathbb{R}^+ \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{\Omega}_{0, \tilde{r}}^{A_\varepsilon^{c\mu}} = \mathbb{R}^+$$

for $A_\varepsilon = \{n : |(-1)^n - 1| \geq \varepsilon\}$ and $A_\varepsilon^c = \{n : |(-1)^n - (-1)| \geq \varepsilon\}$, respectively.

Indeed, $A_\varepsilon = \mathbb{N}_O$ and $A_\varepsilon^c = \mathbb{N}_E$. So, (3.1) hold. The third condition of Theorem 2.1 is obvious from second.

EXAMPLE 3.2. Consider the sequence $\tilde{x} = (\frac{1}{n})$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$. It is clear that $x_n \rightarrow 0(\bar{p}_\mu)$ because $x_n \rightarrow 0, n \rightarrow \infty$. So, from Theorem 2.2 we can infer that

$$(3.2) \quad \bar{\Omega}_{0, \tilde{r}}^{A_\varepsilon^\mu} \cap (a, b) = \emptyset \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{\Omega}_{0, \tilde{r}}^{A_\varepsilon^{c\mu}} = \mathbb{R}^+$$

for $(a, b) \subseteq (0, 1)$ where $A_\varepsilon = \{n : \frac{1}{n} \geq \varepsilon\}$ and A_ε^c is the complement of A_ε .

Indeed, let $\varepsilon = 1/2$. From the definition of porosity convergence the set $A_{1/2} = \{n : \frac{1}{n} \geq \frac{1}{2}\}$ is porous at infinity. Also the set $A_{1/2}^c = \{n : \frac{1}{n} < \frac{1}{2}\}$ is nonporous at infinity.

$A_{1/2}^\mu = \mu(A_{1/2}) \cup \{0\}$ is a finite set and 0 is not an accumulation point of this set. So, $\bar{\Omega}_{0, \tilde{r}}^{A_{1/2}^\mu} = \{0\}$. Therefore, $\bar{\Omega}_{0, \tilde{r}}^{A_{1/2}^\mu} \cap (a, b) = \emptyset$ for any interval $(a, b) \subseteq (0, 1)$.

$A_{1/2}^{c\mu} = \mu(A_{1/2}^c) \cup \{0\} = \mu(\mathbb{N}) \cup \{0\} = \mathbb{R}^+$. Then $\bar{\Omega}_{0, \tilde{r}}^{A_{1/2}^{c\mu}} = \bar{\Omega}_{0, \tilde{r}}^{\mathbb{R}^+} = \mathbb{R}^+$ is obtained.

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