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We consider the Banach space  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$  of functions with bounded upper means. A detailed study is made of the extremal structure of the closed unit sphere, the dual space and the representations of the bounded linear functionals on  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$ .

1. Introduction. In his celebrated paper on generalized harmonic analysis [13], Wiener introduced the following integrated transformation

$$(1.1) \quad s(u) = \text{l.i.m.}_{A \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2\pi} \left( \int_{-A}^{-1} + \int_1^A \right) \frac{f(x)e^{-iux}}{-ix} dx + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-1}^1 f(x) \frac{e^{-iux} - 1}{-ix} dx,$$

where  $f$  is a complex valued Borel measurable function on  $\mathbf{R}$  which satisfies  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x)|^2/(1+x^2)dx < \infty$ . By using a deep Tauberian theorem, he showed that if either limit exists, then

$$(1.2) \quad \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T |f(x)|^2 dx = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{2h} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |s(u+h) - s(u-h)|^2 du.$$

The formula has important applications in studying physical phenomena such as white light, noise, and turbulence where ordinary harmonic analysis is not applicable [2], [12], [13].

Unfortunately, the class  $\mathcal{W}^2(\mathbf{R})$  of Borel measurable functions  $f$  such that  $\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} 1/2T \int_{-T}^T |f(x)|^2 dx$  exists is not closed under addition. It is natural to consider a larger linear space which contains the above nonlinear space of functions. In [11], Marcinkiewicz defined the class  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , as the set of Borel measurable functions  $f$  with

$$\|f\| = \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T |f(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p} < \infty.$$

By identifying functions whose difference has zero norm, he proved that  $(\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R}), \|\cdot\|)$  is actually a Banach space. The space had been studied by many authors in the theory of almost periodic functions and generalized harmonic analysis (e.g., Besicovitch [4], Bohr and Følner [6], Bertrandias [3] and Lau and Lee [10]). In [10], it was shown that the transformation defined in (1.1) can be extended to an isomorphism from  $\mathcal{M}^2(\mathbf{R})$  onto the space  $\mathcal{V}^2(\mathbf{R})$  of functions with

bounded quadratic variations (i.e.,  $\|s\| = \overline{\lim}_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \left( \frac{1}{2h} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |s(u+h) - s(u-h)|^2 du \right)^{1/2} < \infty$ ,  $s \in \mathcal{V}^2(\mathbf{R})$ ). Note that Wiener's identity (1.2) implies that transformation (1.1) is an isometry on  $\mathcal{W}^2(\mathbf{R})$ . The theorem revealed that  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$  and  $\mathcal{V}^p(\mathbf{R})$  are interesting spaces and further study is desirable. In this paper, we concentrate on two topics, viz., the extremal structure of the closed unit sphere in  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$  and the representations of functionals on  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$ .

In § 3, we prove

**THEOREM 3.8.** *Let  $1 < p < \infty$  and let  $f \in \mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$  with  $\|f\| = 1$ . Suppose there exists an increasing sequence  $\{T_n\}$  which diverges to  $\infty$ , with  $\{T_{n+1}/T_n\}$  bounded and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T_n} \int_{-T_n}^{T_n} |f(x)|^p dx = 1$ . Then  $f$  is an extreme point of the closed unit sphere  $S(\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R}))$ .*

In particular, every function in  $\mathcal{W}^p(\mathbf{R})$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ , is an extreme point of  $S(\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R}))$ . A partial converse of the above theorem is also given (Theorem 3.10). For  $p = 1$ , we show that  $S(\mathcal{M}^1(\mathbf{R}))$  does not have any extreme points (Theorem 3.11).

In order to study the dual space of  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$ , it is convenient to make use of the following spaces:

$$M^p(\mathbf{R}) = \left\{ f: f \text{ is Borel measurable, } \|f\| = \sup_{1 \leq T < \infty} \left( \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T |f|^p \right)^{1/p} < \infty \right\},$$

$$I^p(\mathbf{R}) = \left\{ f \in M^p(\mathbf{R}): \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T |f|^p = 0 \right\}.$$

We will identify  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$  with the quotient space  $M^p(\mathbf{R})/I^p(\mathbf{R})$ . For  $1 < p < \infty$ , we show that  $M^p(\mathbf{R})$  is the second dual of  $I^p(\mathbf{R})$  and  $M^p(\mathbf{R})^* = I^p(\mathbf{R})^* \oplus I^p(\mathbf{R})^\perp$ , with  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})^*$  isometric isomorphic to  $I^p(\mathbf{R})^\perp$ . By using a method of Cwikel [7] and the theorem of Bishop and Phelps [5], we will give concrete representations of functionals on  $I^p(\mathbf{R})$  and  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$  (Theorem 4.6, Theorem 5.2).

**THEOREM.** *Suppose that  $1 < p < \infty$  and  $1/p + 1/q = 1$ .*

(i) *If  $l \in I^p(\mathbf{R})^*$ , then there exists a  $\psi \in M^q(\mathbf{R})$  and a countably additive, positive, bounded regular Borel measure on  $[1, \infty)$  such that for all  $f \in I^p(\mathbf{R})$ ,*

$$(1.3) \quad \langle l, f \rangle = \int_1^\infty \left( \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T f(x) \psi(x) dx \right) d\mu(T).$$

(ii) *There exists a (norm) dense subset  $D \subseteq \mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})^*$  such that each  $l$  in  $D$  can be represented as in (1.3) with  $\psi \in \mathcal{M}^q(\mathbf{R})$  and  $\mu$  a*

finitely additive, positive, bounded regular Borel measure on  $[1, \infty)$  concentrated at  $\infty$ .

We are unable to represent every functional in  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})^*$ . However, if we consider the subspace  $\mathcal{M}_r^p(\mathbf{R})$ , the  $\mathcal{M}^p$ -regular functions defined by

$$\mathcal{M}_r^p(\mathbf{R}) = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R}) : \lim_{T \rightarrow \pm\infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_T^{T+1} |f|^p = 0 \right\}$$

we can show that (Theorem 5.5).

(iii) Each  $l \in \mathcal{M}_r^p(\mathbf{R})^*$  can be represented as in (1.3), where  $\mu$  is the same as in (ii) and  $\psi$  is a Borel measurable function on  $[1, \infty) \times \mathbf{R}$  with  $\psi(T, \cdot) \in \mathcal{M}_r^q(\mathbf{R})$  for each  $T \in [1, \infty)$ .

We remark that the representations in (i), (ii), (iii) are not unique. Our paper is organized as follows: in §2, we list some relevant properties of Banach space theory and prove some elementary results for the spaces  $M^p(\mathbf{R})$ ,  $I^p(\mathbf{R})$  and  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$ . In §3, we study the extreme points of  $S(M^p(\mathbf{R}))$  and  $S(\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R}))$ . In §4, we show that  $I^p(\mathbf{R})^{**} = M^p(\mathbf{R})$  and part (i) of the above theorem. These results are used in §5 to prove part (ii) and (iii) of the theorem.

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**2. Notations and basic properties.** Let  $X$  be a Banach space and let  $S(X) = \{f \in X : \|f\| \leq 1\}$  be the closed unit sphere of  $X$ .  $X^*$  will denote the dual space of  $X$ . An  $l \in X^*$  is called a *norm attaining functional* if there exists an  $f \in S(X)$  such that  $\langle l, f \rangle = \|l\|$ . The well known theorem of Bishop and Phelps [5] states that

*The set of norm attaining functionals on  $X$  is dense in  $X^*$ .*

For any closed subspace  $Y$  of  $X$ , let  $X/Y$  be the quotient space and let  $Y^\perp$  be the annihilator of  $Y$ . It is elementary that  $(X/Y)^*$  is isometrically isomorphic to  $Y^\perp$ .

A Banach space  $X$  is called *uniformly convex* [8] if

$$\delta(\varepsilon) = \inf \left\{ 1 - \frac{\|f + g\|}{2} : \|f - g\| \geq \varepsilon, f, g \in S(X) \right\}, \quad \varepsilon > 0$$

is a strictly positive function on  $\mathbf{R}^+$ ,  $\delta(\cdot)$  is called the *modulus of convexity* of  $X$ . If  $(\Omega, \mu)$  is a measure space, it is known that  $L^p(\Omega, \mu)$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ , is uniformly convex and that  $\delta(\cdot)$  depends only on  $\varepsilon$  and  $p$  and is independent of the underlying measure space.

Let  $X$  be a uniformly convex space. It follows directly from the definition that if  $f, g \in S(X)$  with  $\|f\| = 1$  and  $\|f - g\| \geq \varepsilon$ , then  $|\langle l_f, g \rangle| \leq 1 - 2\delta(\varepsilon)$  where  $l_f$  is a norm one functional on  $X$  and

attains its norm on  $f$ . We will need the following slightly stronger statement:

**LEMMA 2.1.** *Let  $X$  be a uniform convex space with modulus of convexity  $\delta(\cdot)$ . Suppose that given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exist  $f, g$  in  $S(X)$  and  $l_f \in S(X^*)$  such that  $\|f - g\| \geq \varepsilon$ ,  $1 - \varepsilon/2 \leq \|f\| \leq 1$  and  $l_f$  attains its norm at  $f/\|f\|$ . Then  $|\langle l_f, g \rangle| \leq 1 - 2\delta(\varepsilon/2)$ .*

Throughout, we shall assume that  $f$  is a complex valued Borel measurable function on  $\mathbf{R}$ . Given a positive Borel measurable function  $w(x)$ , we will use  $L^p(\mathbf{R}, w(x)dx)$  to be the Banach space of Borel measurable functions  $f$  such that  $\|f\| = \left( \int_{\mathbf{R}} |f(x)|^p w(x) dx \right)^{1/p} < \infty$ . For a locally integrable function  $f$ , we define

$$A(T, f) = \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T f(x) dx, \quad T \geq 1.$$

Let  $M^p(\mathbf{R})$  and  $I^p(\mathbf{R})$  be defined as in the introduction with  $\|f\| = \sup_{1 \leq T < \infty} A(T, |f|^p)^{1/p}$ . It is known that  $M^2(\mathbf{R}) \subsetneq L^2(\mathbf{R}, dx/(1+x^2))$  [14]. We refer to [10] for the following result.

**PROPOSITION 2.2.** *Let  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , then for any  $a > 0$ ,  $M^p(\mathbf{R}) \subsetneq L^p(\mathbf{R}, dx/(1+|x|^{1+a}))$ .*

**PROPOSITION 2.3.** *Let  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , then*

- (i)  $L^p(\mathbf{R})$  is a dense subspace in  $I^p(\mathbf{R})$  and  $I^p(\mathbf{R})$  is separable;
- (ii)  $I^p(\mathbf{R})$  contains a subspace isomorphic to  $c_0$ .

*Proof.* We omit the simple proof of (i). To show that  $I^p(\mathbf{R})$  contains a  $c_0$ , we proceed as follows: let  $n_1 = 1$ ,  $f_1 = 4^{1/p} \chi_{[1,2]}$  and choose for  $k > 1$ ,  $n_k$  and  $f_k$  such that  $1 < n_1 + 1 < n_2 < \dots < n_{k-1} + 1 < n_k$ ,  $f_k = (2(n_k + 1))^{1/p} \chi_{[n_k, n_{k+1}]}$  and

$$\frac{1}{2n_k} \int_0^{n_{k-1}+1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} f_j(x)^p dx < \frac{1}{2}.$$

Clearly,  $\|f_k\| = 1$ . We claim that the subspace generated by  $\{f_k\}$  is isomorphic to  $c_0$ . If  $\{c_k\}$  is a sequence in  $c_0$  such that  $\sup_k |c_k| = 1$ , then for any  $T$ , we can find a  $k$  such that  $n_k \leq T < n_{k+1}$ . Thus by our construction of  $\{f_k\}$ ,

$$A\left(T, \left| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} c_k f_k \right|^p\right) \leq \frac{1}{2n_k} \int_0^{n_{k+1}} \sum_{j=1}^k |c_j|^p f_j^p \leq \frac{n_k + 1}{n_k} |c_k|^p + \frac{1}{2} < 3.$$

Hence  $1 \leq \|\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} c_k f_k\| \leq 3^{1/p}$  for any  $\{c_k\}$  in  $c_0$  with  $\sup_k |c_k| = 1$  and the claim is proved.

Let  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$  be the set of measurable functions on  $\mathbf{R}$  such that  $\|f\| = \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} A(T, |f|^p)^{1/p} < \infty$ . By identifying functions whose difference has zero norm,  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$  is a Banach space [11]. Let  $\mathcal{W}^p(\mathbf{R})$  be the set of  $f \in \mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$  such that  $\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} A(T, |f|^p)$  exists. Note that  $\mathcal{W}^p(\mathbf{R})$  is a nonlinear subspace. The following identification of  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$  will be very useful for us. The proof is in [10].

**PROPOSITION 2.4.**  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$  is isometric isomorphic to  $M^p(\mathbf{R})/I^p(\mathbf{R})$  under the natural identification.

**PROPOSITION 2.5.**  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$  contains a subspace isomorphic to  $l^\infty$ . Consequently,  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$  is nonseparable and nonreflexive.

*Proof.* Let  $a_1 = 0$ ,  $b_1 = 1$  and  $a_n = 2^n b_{n-1}$ ,  $b_n = 2^n a_n$ . Then

$$\frac{1}{a_n} \int_{-a_n}^{a_n} \chi_{[a_{n-1}, b_{n-1}]} < \frac{1}{2^n} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{b_n} \int_{-b_n}^{b_n} \chi_{[a_n, b_n]} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^n}.$$

Let  $\{\mathcal{T}_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a partition of the set of natural number  $\mathbb{N}$  such that each  $\mathcal{T}_n$  is an infinite set. Let  $f_n = 2 \sum_{k \in \mathcal{T}_n} \chi_{[a_k, b_k]}$ , note that  $\overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} A(T, |f_n|^p) = 1$  for each  $n$ . If  $\{c_n\}$  is a sequence such that  $\sup_n |c_n| = 1$ , then it is clear that  $1 \leq \|\sum_{n=1}^\infty c_n f_n\|$ . For each  $T$ , there exists a  $k$  such that  $a_k \leq T < a_{k+1}$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} A\left(T, \left|\sum_{n=1}^\infty c_n f_n\right|^p\right) &\leq A\left(T, \left|\sum_{j=1}^k \chi_{[a_j, b_j]}\right|^p\right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T \chi_{[a_k, b_k]} + \frac{1}{2a_k} \int_{-a_k}^{a_k} \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} \chi_{[a_j, b_j]} \\ &\leq 1 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} \frac{1}{2^j} \\ &\leq 2. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $1 \leq \|\sum_{n=1}^\infty c_n f_n\| \leq 2^{1/p}$  and this induces an isomorphism from  $l^\infty$  onto the subspace generated by  $\{f_n\}$  in  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$ .

Let  $B^p AP$  be the class of (Besicovitch) almost periodic functions, the  $\mathcal{M}^p$ -closure of the set of trigonometric polynomials  $\sum_{k=1}^n a_k e^{it_k(\cdot)}$ ,  $t_k \in \mathbf{R}$ . It is known that  $B^p AP$  is a closed subspace of  $\mathcal{W}^p(\mathbf{R})$  ([6, p. 45]). For the case  $p = 2$ , we can define an inner product by

$$(f, g) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} A(T, f\bar{g}), \quad f, g \in B^2 AP.$$

This inner product induces a norm on  $B^2 AP$  which coincides with the  $\mathcal{M}^2$ -norm. It follows that  $\mathcal{M}^2(\mathbf{R})$  contains a nonseparable Hilbert space (since  $f_t(\cdot) = e^{it(\cdot)} \in B^2 AP$  for all  $t \in \mathbf{R}$ ).

**PROPOSITION 2.6.** *For  $1 < p < \infty$ ,  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$  contains a nonseparable reflexive Banach space.*

*Proof.* It follows from the definition of  $B^pAP$  and the Hölder inequality that for  $f \in B^pAP$ ,  $g \in B^qAP$ ,  $1/p + 1/q = 1$ ,  $fg \in B^1AP$ , hence  $\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} A(T, fg)$  exists. By defining  $\langle g, f \rangle = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} A(T, fg)$ , we can show that  $(B^pAP)^* = B^qAP$  and  $(B^qAP)^* = B^pAP$ . Hence,  $B^pAP$  is reflexive. Observe that it is also nonseparable. This proves the proposition.

**3. Extreme points.** Let  $K$  be a convex subset in a linear space  $X$ .  $f \in K$  is called an *extreme point* of  $K$  if for any  $g, h \in K$  such that  $f = \lambda g + (1 - \lambda)h$ ,  $0 < \lambda < 1$ , then  $f = g = h$ . The definition is equivalent to the statement:  $\forall g \in X$ ,  $f \pm g \in K$  implies that  $g = 0$ .

**LEMMA 3.1.** *Let  $f \in M^p(\mathbf{R})$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . Then  $A(T, |f|^p) = 1$  for all  $T \geq 1$  if and only if  $|f(x)|^p + |f(-x)|^p = 2$  for almost all  $x \geq 1$ .*

*Proof.* The sufficiency is obvious. To prove the necessity, observe that  $A(T, |f|^p) = 1/2T \int_{-T}^T |f|^p$  is absolutely continuous on  $T$ . Differentiation yields that

$$-\frac{1}{2T^2} \int_{-T}^T |f|^p + \frac{1}{2T} (|f(T)|^p + |f(-T)|^p) = 0 \quad \text{a.a. } T \geq 1$$

and this implies  $|f(x)|^p + |f(-x)|^p = 2$  for almost all  $x \geq 1$ .

**THEOREM 3.2.** *Let  $1 < p < \infty$  and let  $f \in S(M^p(\mathbf{R}))$ .*

(i) *Suppose there exists a  $c > 0$  and a sequence  $\{T_n\}$  diverging to  $\infty$  with  $A(T_n, |f|^p)^{1/p} > 1 - \delta((c/T_n)^{1/p})$ , where  $\delta(\cdot)$  is the modulus of convexity of  $L^p$ . Then  $f$  is an extreme point of  $S(M^p(\mathbf{R}))$ . Conversely,*

(ii) *Suppose  $f$  is an extreme point of  $S(M^p(\mathbf{R}))$ . Then for any  $c > 0$ , there exists a sequence  $\{T_n\}$  diverging to  $\infty$  such that  $A(T_n, |f|^p)^{1/p} > 1 - (c/T_n)^{1/p}$ .*

**REMARK.** Geometrically, condition (i) says that if there exists a sequence  $\{T_n\}$  such that  $A(T_n, |f|^p) \rightarrow 1$  sufficiently fast, then  $f$  is an extreme point of  $S(M^p(\mathbf{R}))$ .

*Proof.* (i) Suppose there exists a  $g \in M^p(\mathbf{R})$  such that  $\|f \pm g\| \leq 1$  and  $g \neq 0$  on  $[-T_0, T_0]$  for some  $T_0 > 0$ . Let  $c = \int_{-T_0}^{T_0} |g|^p$ . The uniform convexity of  $L^p([-T, T], dx/2T)$ ,  $T > T_0$  and the fact that

$1/2T \int_{-T}^T |(f+g) - (f-g)|^p \geq c/T$  yield  $A(T, |f|^p)^{1/p} \leq 1 - \delta((c/T)^{1/p})$ . This is a contradiction.

Suppose statement (ii) is false. Then there exists a  $c > 0$  such that for  $T > T_0$ ,  $A(T, |f|^p)^{1/p} + (c/T)^{1/p} \leq 1$ . If  $g = (2c)^{1/p} \chi_{[T_0, T_0+1]}$ , then

$$A(T, |f \pm g|^p)^{1/p} \leq A(T, |f|^p)^{1/p} + (c/T)^{1/p} \leq 1.$$

This implies  $f$  is not an extreme point of  $S(M^p(\mathbf{R}))$ .

**COROLLARY 3.3.** *Let  $1 < p < \infty$  and let  $f \in M^p(\mathbf{R})$  such that  $|f(x)|^p + |f(-x)|^p = 2$  a.e. Then  $f$  is an extreme point of  $S(M^p(\mathbf{R}))$ .*

*Proof.* The result follows directly from Lemma 3.1 and Theorem 3.2.

Clarkson proved that on  $L^p$ , the modulus of convexity satisfies

$$\delta(\varepsilon) = \begin{cases} 1 - \left(1 - \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right)^p\right)^{1/p}, & 2 \leq p < \infty \\ \frac{p-1}{8} \varepsilon^2 + \dots \geq \frac{p-1}{8} \varepsilon^2, & 1 < p < 2, \end{cases}$$

[8, p. 149]. By considering  $\varepsilon = (2c/T)^{1/p}$  for some  $c > 0$ , the following results are obtained:

**COROLLARY 3.4.** *Let  $2 \leq p < \infty$  and let  $f \in S(M^p(\mathbf{R}))$ . Suppose there exists a  $c > 0$  and a sequence  $\{T_n\}$  diverging to  $\infty$  such that  $A(T_n, |f|^p) > 1 - (c/T_n)$ . Then  $f$  is an extreme point of  $S(M^p(\mathbf{R}))$ .*

**COROLLARY 3.5.** *Let  $1 < p < 2$  and let  $f \in S(M^p(\mathbf{R}))$ . Then the same conclusion holds if we replace the above inequality by  $A(T_n, |f|^p)^{1/p} > 1 - (c/T_n)^{2/p}$ .*

For the case  $p = 1$ , we have

**THEOREM 3.6.**  $S(M^1(\mathbf{R}))$  contains no extreme point.

*Proof.* Let  $f \in S(M^1(\mathbf{R}))$  and  $\|f\| = 1$ . If  $\int_{-1}^1 |f| = a > 0$ , by the fact that  $L^1$  contains no extreme point, we can find a nonzero  $g$  which vanishes outside  $[-1, 1]$  and  $\int_{-1}^1 |f \pm g| = a$ . Hence

$$A(T, |f \pm g|) \leq 1 \quad \text{for all } T \geq 1$$



and  $f$  is not an extreme point of  $S(M^1(\mathbf{R}))$ . If  $\int_{-1}^1 |f| = 0$ , choose  $T_0$  such that for  $1 \leq T \leq T_0$ ,

$$0 < \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T |f| \leq \frac{1}{2}.$$

By the same argument as about, we can find a  $g$  such that  $0 < \int_{-T_0}^{T_0} |g| \leq 1/2$ ,  $g$  vanishes outside  $[-T_0, T_0]$  and

$$\int_{-T_0}^{T_0} |f \pm g| = \int_{-T_0}^{T_0} |f|.$$

Again we have  $A(T, |f \pm g|) \leq 1$  for all  $T \geq 1$  and  $f$  is not an extreme point of  $S(M^1(\mathbf{R}))$ .

The argument in Theorem 3.2 and Theorem 3.6 also implies the following result.

**PROPOSITION 3.7.** *For  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ,  $S(I^p(\mathbf{R}))$  does not contain an extreme point.*

In the rest of this section, we will consider the extreme points of  $S(\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R}))$ .

**THEOREM 3.8.** *Let  $1 < p < \infty$  and let  $f \in S(\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R}))$ . Suppose there exists a sequence  $\{T_n\}$  diverging to  $\infty$ , such that  $\{T_{n+1}/T_n\}$  is bounded and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A(T_n, |f|^p) = 1$ . Then  $f$  is an extreme point of  $S(\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R}))$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose  $g$  in  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$  is such that  $\overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} A(T, |f \pm g|^p) \leq 1$ . We claim that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A(T_n, |g|^p) = 0$  where  $\{T_n\}$  is the sequence in the hypothesis. For otherwise, by passing to subsequence if necessary, we may assume that  $A(T_n, |g|^p) \geq \varepsilon$  for some  $\varepsilon > 0$ . For each  $n$ , consider  $f, f \pm g$  as elements of  $L^p([-T_n, T_n], dx/2T_n)$ . The uniform convexity of the  $L^p$ -norm implies that there exists a  $\delta(\varepsilon) > 0$  such that  $A(T_n, |f|^p) < 1 - \delta$ . This contradicts the hypothesis that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A(T_n, |f|^p) = 1$  and the claim is proved. If  $T > 0$ , then  $T_n \leq T < T_{n+1}$  for some  $n$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} A(T, |g|^p) &\leq \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T_{n+1}}^{T_{n+1}} |g|^p \leq \frac{T_{n+1}}{T_n} \cdot \frac{1}{2T_{n+1}} \int_{-T_{n+1}}^{T_{n+1}} |g|^p \\ &= \frac{T_{n+1}}{T_n} A(T_{n+1}, |g|^p). \end{aligned}$$

The boundedness of  $\{T_{n+1}/T_n\}$  implies that the last term tends to 0

as  $T \rightarrow \infty$ . Therefore  $\|g\| = 0$  and  $f$  is an extreme point of  $S(\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R}))$ .

**COROLLARY 3.9.** *Let  $1 < p < \infty$  and let  $f \in \mathcal{W}^p(\mathbf{R})$  with  $\|f\| = 1$ . Then  $f$  is an extreme point of  $S(\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R}))$ .*

It is easy to construct an extreme point of  $S(\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R}))$  which is not in  $\mathcal{W}^p(\mathbf{R})$ . For example, let  $0 < a < b < 1$  and let  $\{\alpha_n\}$  be a sequence such that  $\alpha_1 = 1$ ,  $\alpha_n b + 1 < \alpha_{n+1} a$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = \infty$ . Let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & |x| < a \\ 0 & \alpha_n a \leq |x| < \alpha_n b \\ ((b+1) - a)^{1/p}, & \alpha_n b < |x| < \alpha_n b + 1 \\ 1 & \alpha_n b + 1 < |x| < \alpha_{n+1} a \end{cases}$$

Then we have  $A(T, |f|^p) \leq 1$  for all  $T > 0$ , and  $A(T, |f|^p) = 1$  for  $T \in \mathbf{R} \setminus \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (\alpha_n a, \alpha_n b + 1)$  and  $A(\alpha_n b, |f|^p) = a/b < 1$ . This shows that  $f \in S(\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})) \setminus \mathcal{W}^p(\mathbf{R})$  and  $f$  satisfies the condition in Theorem 3.8, hence it is an extreme point.

In the following, we will give a partial converse to Theorem 3.8.

**THEOREM 3.10.** *Let  $1 < p < \infty$  and let  $f \in S(\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R}))$ . Suppose there exists an  $\alpha$  in  $(0, 1)$  such that*

(i)  $\{T > 0: A(T, |f|^p) \geq 1 - \alpha\} = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} [a_n, b_n]$  where  $b_n < a_{n+1}$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = \infty$ .

(ii)  $\{a_{n+1}/b_n\}$  is an unbounded sequence.

*Then  $f$  is not an extreme point of  $S(\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R}))$ .*

**REMARK.** The hypotheses of the theorem essentially mean that if  $A(T, |f|^p)$  stays below  $(1 - \alpha)$  infinitely often and long enough, then  $f$  is not an extreme point of  $S(\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R}))$ . A simple example of such  $f$  is provided in the proof of Proposition 2.5. We also note that conditions (i) and (ii) are equivalent to: there exists an  $\alpha$  in  $(0, 1)$  such that no sequence  $\{T_n\}$  will satisfy  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n = \infty$ ,  $\{T_{n+1}/T_n\}$  is bounded and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A(T_n, |f|^p) > 1 - \alpha$ . (Compare this with Theorem 3.8.)

*Proof.* Without loss of generality we assume that  $\|f\| = 1$ . Also, by passing to a subsequence, we assume that for each  $n$ , there exists a  $T \in [a_n, b_n]$  such that  $A(T, |f|^p) \geq 1 - \alpha/2$  and that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n+1}/b_n = \infty$ . If  $c_n = \sup\{T \in [a_n, b_n]: A(T, |f|^p) = 1 - \alpha/2\}$ , then for all  $T$  in  $[c_n, b_n]$ ,  $A(T, |f|^p) \leq 1 - \alpha/2$ . Define  $B = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n$  where

$B_n = [-b_n, -c_n] \cup [c_n, b_n]$ . We will consider the following two cases:

(i) Suppose  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A(b_n, |f\chi_{B_n}|^p) = 0$ . This implies that there is a subsequence  $\{b_{n_k}\}$  such that  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} A(b_{n_k}, |f\chi_{B_{n_k}}|^p) = 0$  and yet another subsequence  $\{b_{n_{k'}}\}$  of  $\{b_{n_k}\}$  such that  $\lim_{k' \rightarrow \infty} A(b_{n_{k'}}, |f\chi_{\cup_{j' \in B_{n_{j'}}}}|^p) = 0$ . In order to dispense with cumbersome notation, we assume that  $\{n_{k'}\} = \{n\}$  and by adjusting a zero function in  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$ , we assume that  $f\chi_{\cup_n B_n} = 0$ . Hence  $f\chi_{B_n} = 0$  for each  $n$  and

$$A(c_n, |f|^p) = 1 - \frac{\alpha}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad A(b_n, |f|^p) = \frac{1}{2b_n} \int_{-c_n}^{c_n} |f|^p = 1 - \alpha.$$

Subtraction yields that

$$\left( \frac{b_n - c_n}{b_n} \right) = \frac{\alpha}{2 - \alpha}.$$

Let  $0 < \alpha^p < 1/2(2 - \alpha)$ , we claim that  $A(T, |f \pm a\chi_{B_n}|^p) \leq 1 + 1/2(b_n/a_{n+1})$  for all  $T > 0$ . This is clear if  $0 < T \leq c_n$ . For  $c_n < T \leq b_n$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} A(T, |f \pm a\chi_{B_n}|^p) &= A(T, |f|^p) + 2a^p \cdot \frac{T - c_n}{2T} \\ &\leq \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}\right) + a^p \cdot \frac{b_n - c_n}{b_n} \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}\right) + \frac{a^p \alpha}{2 - \alpha} \\ &\leq 1. \end{aligned}$$

A similar proof shows that  $A(T, |f \pm a\chi_{B_n}|^p) \leq 1$  for  $b_n \leq T < a_{n+1}$ . If  $a_{n+1} \leq T$ , then

$$A(T, |f \pm a\chi_{B_n}|^p) \leq 1 + 2a^p \cdot \frac{b_n}{2a_{n+1}} \leq 1 + \frac{b_n}{a_{n+1}}$$

and the claim is proved.

Choose a subsequence  $\{n_k\}$  of  $\{n\}$  with  $n_1 = 1$  and  $n_{k+1}$  such that for  $T > n_{k+1}$ ,

$$A\left(T, \left|\sum_{j=1}^k a\chi_{B_{n_j}}\right|^p\right) \leq \frac{1}{k+1}.$$

Let  $g = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a\chi_{B_{n_k}}$ . Then  $g \in \mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$  and  $\overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} A(T, |g|^p) \geq a^p \alpha / (2 - \alpha) > 0$ . Given  $T > 0$ , then  $n_k < T < n_{k+1}$  for some  $k$  and

$$\begin{aligned} A(T, |f \pm g|^p)^{1/p} &\leq A(T, |f \pm a\chi_{B_{n_k}}|^p)^{1/p} + A\left(T, \left|\sum_{j=1}^{k-1} a\chi_{B_{n_j}}\right|^p\right)^{1/p} \\ &\leq \left(1 + \frac{b_{n_k}}{a_{n_k} + 1}\right)^{1/p} + \left(\frac{1}{k}\right)^{1/p}. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that  $\overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} A(T, |f \pm g|^p) = 1$  with  $g \neq 0$ . Hence  $f$  is not an extreme point of  $S(\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R}))$ .

(ii) Suppose  $\underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} A(b_n, |f\chi_{B_n}|^p) > 0$ . Let  $0 < a < 1$  be such that  $0 < |(1 \pm a)^p - 1| < a/2$ . For each  $n$ , we claim that

$$A(T, |f \pm af\chi_{B_n}|^p) \leq 1 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \frac{b_n}{a_{n+1}}.$$

Indeed, if  $c_n \leq T \leq a_{n+1}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} A(T, |f \pm af\chi_{B_n}|^p) &\leq A(T, |f|^p) + |(1 \pm a)^p - 1| \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T |f\chi_{B_n}|^p \\ &\leq \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}\right) + |(1 \pm a)^p - 1| \leq 1. \end{aligned}$$

If  $a_{n+1} \leq T$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} A(T, |f \pm af\chi_{B_n}|^p) &\leq 1 + |(1 \pm a)^p - 1| \cdot \frac{b_n}{a_{n+1}} \cdot \frac{1}{2b_n} \int_{-b_n}^{b_n} |f|^p \\ &\leq 1 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \frac{b_n}{a_{n+1}}. \end{aligned}$$

This proves the claim. The same argument as in the last paragraph of part (i) enables us to derive a contradiction by choosing a  $g \in \mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$  with  $\|g\| \neq 0$  and  $\|f \pm g\| \leq 1$ .

**THEOREM 3.11.** *The set  $S(\mathcal{M}^1(\mathbf{R}))$  contains no extreme points.*

*Proof.* Let  $f \in S(\mathcal{M}^1(\mathbf{R}))$  with  $\|f\| = 1$ ,  $B_1 = [-T_1, T_1]$  where  $\int_{B_1} |f| = 1$  and let  $B_{n+1} = [-T_{n+1}, T_{n+1}] \setminus [-T_n, T_n]$  where  $\int_{B_{n+1}} |f| = 1$ . It is easy to show that  $T_n \rightarrow \infty$ . Let  $g = 1/2(\chi_{\cup B_{2n+1}} - \chi_{\cup B_{2n}})f$ . Then  $\|g\| = 1/2$ . For any  $T$ ,  $T_n \leq T < T_{n+1}$  for some  $n$ , it follows from the construction that

$$|A(T, |f \pm g|) - A(T, |f|)| \leq \frac{1}{2T} \int_{B_n} |f| = \frac{1}{2T}.$$

Hence  $\|f \pm g\| \leq 1$  and  $f$  is not an extreme point of  $S(\mathcal{M}^1(\mathbf{R}))$ .

**4.  $I^p(\mathbf{R})^*$  and  $M^p(\mathbf{R})^*$ .** Let  $K$  be a topological space and let  $C(K)$  denote the set of bounded continuous functions on  $K$ . Let  $\text{rca}(K)$  ( $\text{rba}(K)$ ) denote the set of countably (finitely, respectively) additive, bounded regular Borel measures on  $K$ . From the Hölder inequality we obtain this result.

**PROPOSITION 4.1.** *Let  $1 < p$ ,  $q < \infty$  and  $1/p + 1/q = 1$ . Let*

$\psi \in M^q(\mathbf{R})$  and  $\mu \in \text{rca}[1, \infty)$ . If  $l: I^p(\mathbf{R}) \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  is defined by

$$(4.1) \quad \langle l, f \rangle = \int_1^\infty A(T, f\psi) d\mu(T), \quad f \in I^p(\mathbf{R}),$$

then  $l \in I^p(\mathbf{R})^*$  and

$$\frac{1}{\|\psi\|^{q-1}} \int_1^\infty A(T, |\psi|^q) d\mu \leq \|l\| \leq \int_1^\infty A(T, |\psi|^q)^{1/q} d\mu.$$

In this section, we will consider the converse of Proposition 4.1, i.e., can each  $l \in I^p(\mathbf{R})^*$  be represented by (4.1)? For  $1 < p < \infty$ , let  $K_p = [1, \infty) \times S(M^q(\mathbf{R}))$ ,  $1/p + 1/q = 1$ , be equipped with the product topology.

LEMMA 4.2. Let  $1 < p < \infty$ . For each  $f \in M^p(\mathbf{R})$ , define  $\tilde{f}$  as

$$\tilde{f}(T, \phi) = A(T, f\phi), \quad (T, \phi) \in K_p.$$

Then  $\sim$  is an isometric isomorphism from  $M^p(\mathbf{R})$  into  $C(K_p)$ .

*Proof.* The Hölder inequality implies that

$$|\tilde{f}(T, \phi)| = |A(T, f\phi)| \leq A(T, |f|^p)^{1/p} \cdot A(T, |\phi|^q)^{1/q} \leq A(T, |f|^p)^{1/p}.$$

Hence  $\|\tilde{f}\|_{C(K_p)} \leq \|f\|_{M^p(\mathbf{R})}$ . On the other hand, by taking  $\phi_0 = (|f|/||f||)^{p-1} \text{sgn } \tilde{f}$ , we have

$$\|\tilde{f}\|_{C(K_p)} \geq \sup_{1 \leq T} A(T, f\phi_0) = \sup_{1 \leq T} A(T, |f|^p)^{1/p} = \|f\|_{M^p(\mathbf{R})}.$$

Henceforth we will not distinguish  $f$  and  $\tilde{f}$ ,  $f \in M^p(\mathbf{R})$ . For a normal topological space  $K$ , we will use  $\beta(K)$  to denote its Stone-Čech compactification. It is known that every bounded continuous function on  $K$  has a unique norm preserving extension to  $\beta(K)$ . Hence one can identify  $C(K)$  and  $C(\beta(K))$ . This identification induces an isometric isomorphism from  $\text{rba}(K)$  onto  $\text{rca}(\beta(K))$ . For each  $\mu \in \text{rca}(\beta(K))$ , if we let  $\nu(E) = \mu(E)$  where  $E$  is a Borel subset in  $K$ , then  $\nu \in \text{rba}(K)$  and  $\int_K f d\nu = \int_{\beta(K)} \tilde{f} d\mu$  for all  $f \in C(K)$ , where  $\tilde{f}$  is the extension of  $f$  on  $\beta(K)$ .

LEMMA 4.3. Let  $1 < p < \infty$  and let  $l$  be a norm attaining functional in  $M^p(\mathbf{R})^*$ . Then there exists a  $\psi \in S(M^q(\mathbf{R}))$  and a positive  $\mu \in \text{rba}[1, \infty)$  such that  $\|\mu\| = \|l\|$  and

$$\langle l, f \rangle = \int_1^\infty A(T, f\psi) d\mu(T) \quad \forall f \in M^p(\mathbf{R}).$$

*Proof.* We will identify  $M^p(\mathbf{R})$  as a subspace of  $C(\beta(K_p)) (=C(K_p))$  and assume that  $\|l\| = 1$ . The Hahn-Banach theorem and the Riesz Representation theorem imply that there exists a  $\nu \in \text{rca}(\beta(K_p))$  such that  $\|\nu\| = 1$  and

$$\langle l, f \rangle = \int_{\beta(K_p)} f(T, \phi) d\nu(T, \phi), \quad f \in M^p(\mathbf{R}).$$

Suppose that  $l$  attains its norm on  $g \in S(M^p(\mathbf{R}))$ , i.e.,  $\langle l, g \rangle = \|g\| = \|l\| = 1$ , and let

$$B = \{(T, \phi) \in \beta(K_p) : |g(T, \phi)| = 1\}.$$

Note that  $\nu$  vanishes outside  $B$ . For each  $(T, \phi) \in B$ , there exists a net  $\{(T_r, \phi_r)\}$  in  $K_p$  which converges to  $(T, \phi)$ . Let  $\psi = |g|^{p-1} \text{sgn } \bar{g}$ . Then  $\lim_r |A(T_r, g\phi_r)| = 1 = \lim_r A(T_r, g\psi)$ . By the uniform convexity of  $L^q([-T_r, T_r], dx/2T_r)$  (note that each  $L^q$  has the same modulus of convexity) and Lemma 2.1, we conclude that  $\lim_r A(T_r, |\psi - \phi_r|^q) = 0$ . This, combined with the Hölder inequality, implies that  $\lim_r A(T_r, f\phi_r) = \lim_r A(T_r, f\psi)$  for all  $f \in M^p(\mathbf{R})$ , and hence  $f(T, \phi) = f(T, \psi)$  for all  $f \in M^p(\mathbf{R})$ ,  $(T, \phi) \in B$ . Now, for any  $f \in M^p(\mathbf{R})$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |\langle l, f \rangle| &= \left| \int_B f(T, \phi) d\nu(T, \phi) \right| \\ &\leq \|\nu\| \cdot \sup \{|f(T, \phi)| : (T, \phi) \in B\} \\ &= \sup \{|f(T, \psi)| : (T, \phi) \in B\} \\ &\leq \sup \{|f(T, \psi)| : T \geq 1\}. \end{aligned}$$

If  $\tau(f) = \sup \{|f(T, \psi)| : T \in \mathbf{R}^+\}$ ,  $f \in C(\beta(K_p))$ ,  $\tau$  is a nonnegative, positive homogeneous subadditive functional. An application of the Hahn-Banach theorem yields a norm preserving extension,  $\tilde{\mu} \in \text{rca}(\beta(K_p))$ , of  $l$  such that  $|\langle \tilde{\mu}, f \rangle| \leq \tau(f)$  for all  $f$  in  $C(\beta(K_p))$ . It follows that  $\|\tilde{\mu}\| = 1$  and  $\tilde{\mu}$  is supported by  $\beta[1, \infty) \times \{\psi\}$ . By letting  $\mu(E) = \tilde{\mu}(E \times \{\psi\})$  for each Borel subset  $E$  of  $[1, \infty)$

$$\langle l, f \rangle = \int_1^\infty A(T, f\psi) d\mu(T) \quad \forall f \in M^p(\mathbf{R}).$$

The fact that  $\mu$  is positive follows from  $\|\mu\| = 1$ ,  $\|g\| = 1$  and  $\int_1^\infty A(T, |g|^p) d\mu(T) = 1$ .

Let  $K$  be a topological space. For each  $\mu \in \text{rba}(K)$ ,  $\mu$  can be decomposed as  $\mu = \mu_1 + \mu_2$  where  $\mu_1 \in \text{rca}(K)$  and  $\mu_2$  is purely finitely additive, i.e., if  $0 \leq \nu \leq |\mu_2|$  and  $\nu \in \text{rca}(K)$ , then  $\nu = 0$ . Note that  $\mu_2$  vanishes on compact sets of  $K$ .

**COROLLARY 4.4.** *Let  $1 < p < \infty$  and let  $l$  be a norm attaining functional in  $I^p(\mathbf{R})^*$ . Then there exists a  $\psi \in S(I^q(\mathbf{R}))$  and a positive  $\mu \in \text{rca}[1, \infty)$  such that  $\|\mu\| = \|l\|$  and*

$$\langle l, f \rangle = \int_1^\infty A(T, f\psi) d\mu(T) \quad \forall f \in I^p(\mathbf{R}).$$

*Proof.* Let  $l \in I^p(\mathbf{R})^*$  with  $\|l\| = 1$  and let  $g \in S(I^p(\mathbf{R}))$  such that  $\langle l, g \rangle = \|g\| = \|l\| = 1$ . If  $\psi = |g|^{p-1} \text{sgn } \bar{g}$  and  $\tilde{l}$  is the norm preserving extension of  $l$  on  $M^p(\mathbf{R})$ , then by Lemma 4.3, there exists a positive  $\tilde{\mu} \in \text{rba}[1, \infty)$  such that  $\|\tilde{l}\| = \|\tilde{\mu}\|$ ,

$$\langle \tilde{l}, f \rangle = \int_0^\infty A(T, f\psi) d\tilde{\mu}(T) \quad \forall f \in M^p(\mathbf{R}).$$

Let  $\tilde{\mu} = \mu + \mu'$  where  $\mu \in \text{rca}[1, \infty)$  and  $\mu'$  is purely finitely additive. Note that  $\int_1^\infty A(T, f\psi) d\mu' = 0$  for all  $f$  in  $I^p(\mathbf{R})$  and we have

$$\langle l, f \rangle = \int_1^\infty A(T, f\psi) d\mu(T) \quad \forall f \in I^p(\mathbf{R}).$$

Since  $\|\mu\| \leq 1$  and  $\int_1^\infty A(T, |g|^p) d\mu(T) = \langle l, g \rangle = \|g\| = 1$ , it follows that the norm of  $\mu$  is 1. This completes the proof.

Since  $S(I^p(\mathbf{R}))$  contains no extreme point (Proposition 3.7), it follows that  $I^p(\mathbf{R})$  is not a dual space. However, the above corollary implies the following more interesting result.

**THEOREM 4.5.** *For  $1 < p < \infty$ ,  $I^p(\mathbf{R})^{**} = M^p(\mathbf{R})$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\sigma$  be the weak topology on  $M^p(\mathbf{R})$  induced by  $I^p(\mathbf{R})^*$ . We will show that: (i) For each  $f \in M^p(\mathbf{R})$ ,  $\|f\| = \sup \{\langle l, f \rangle : l \in S(I^p(\mathbf{R})^*)\}$ ; (ii)  $I^p(\mathbf{R})$  is  $\sigma$ -dense in  $M^p(\mathbf{R})$ ; (iii) Every bounded net in  $I^p(\mathbf{R})$  has a  $\sigma$ -convergent subnet in  $M^p(\mathbf{R})$ . It then follows that  $I^p(\mathbf{R})^{**} = M^p(\mathbf{R})$ .

To prove (i), we let  $f \in M^p(\mathbf{R})$  with  $\|f\| = 1$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and suppose that  $T_0$  satisfies  $A(T_0, |f|^p) > 1 - \varepsilon$ . Let  $\psi = |f|^{p-1} \text{sgn } \bar{f}$  and let  $\mu = \delta_{T_0}$ , the point mass measure at  $T_0$ . If  $l_0$  is the functional defined by  $\psi$  and  $\mu$  as in Proposition 4.1, then

$$1 - \varepsilon \leq \langle l_0, f \rangle \leq \sup \{\langle l, f \rangle : l \in S(I^p(\mathbf{R})^*)\}.$$

Conversely, if  $D$  is the set of norm attaining functionals in  $S(I^p(\mathbf{R})^*)$ , then the theorem of Bishop and Phelps [5] implies that  $D$  is dense in  $S(I^p(\mathbf{R})^*)$ . Corollary 4.4 implies that each  $l \in D$  can be represented in terms of  $\psi \in S(I^q(\mathbf{R}))$  and a positive  $\mu \in \text{rca}(\mathbf{R}^+)$ . Hence

$$\langle l, f \rangle = \int_1^\infty A(T, f\psi) d\mu \leq \int_1^\infty A(T, |\psi|^q)^{1/q} d\mu \leq 1.$$

By taking the supremum of the left hand side, part (i) follows. To prove (ii), let  $f \in M^p(\mathbf{R})$  be given. For any  $l \in S(I^p(\mathbf{R})^*)$  and for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , choose  $l' \in D$  such that  $\|l - l'\| \leq \varepsilon/\|f\|$ , where  $l'$  is represented by  $\mu$  and  $\psi$  as in Corollary 4.4. There exists a compact set  $K$  in  $\mathbf{R}^+$  such that  $\mu(\mathbf{R}^+ \setminus K) < \varepsilon/\|f\|$ . If  $f_K = f \cdot \chi_{K \cup (-K)}$ , then  $f_K \in I^p(\mathbf{R})$  and

$$\begin{aligned} |\langle l, f \rangle - \langle l, f_K \rangle| &\leq |\langle l, f \rangle - \langle l', f \rangle| + |\langle l', f \rangle - \langle l', f_K \rangle| + |\langle l', f_K \rangle - \langle l, f_K \rangle| \\ &\leq \varepsilon + \int_{\mathbf{R}^+} A(T, (f - f_K)\psi) d\mu + \varepsilon \\ &\leq 3\varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

To prove (iii), let  $\{f_\alpha\}$  be a net in  $S(I^p(\mathbf{R}))$ . For each  $n$ , the weak compactness of  $L^p[-n, n]$  and an application of the diagonal method imply that there exists a subnet  $\{f_\beta\}$  of  $\{f_\alpha\}$  and a locally  $L^p$  function  $f$  such that  $f_\beta \cdot \chi_{[-n, n]} \xrightarrow{w^*} f \cdot \chi_{[-n, n]}$  for each  $n$ . Since  $A(T, |f_\beta|^p) \leq 1$ , it follows that  $A(T, |f|^p) \leq 1$  and therefore  $f \in M^p(\mathbf{R})$ . The dominated convergence theorem yields that

$$\lim_\beta \int_1^\infty A(T, (f_\beta - f)\psi) d\mu = 0$$

for any  $\phi \in M^q(\mathbf{R})$  and  $\mu \in \text{rca}(\mathbf{R}^+)$ . Corollary 4.4 and the density of  $D$  in  $S(I^p(\mathbf{R})^*)$  imply that  $\{f_\beta\}$  converges to  $f$  in the  $\sigma$ -topology.

**THEOREM 4.6.** *Let  $1 < p < \infty$  and let  $l \in I^p(\mathbf{R})^*$ . Then there exists a  $\psi \in S(M^q(\mathbf{R}))$  and a positive  $\mu \in \text{rca}[1, \infty)$  such that  $\|\mu\| = \|l\|$  and*

$$\langle l, f \rangle = \int_1^\infty A(T, f\psi) d\mu(T) \quad \forall f \in I^p(\mathbf{R}).$$

*Proof.* Since  $M^p(\mathbf{R}) = I^p(\mathbf{R})^{**}$ , there exists a  $g \in S(M^p(\mathbf{R}))$  such that  $\langle l, g \rangle = \|l\|$ . Let  $\psi = |g|^{p-1} \text{sgn } \bar{g}$  and let  $\tilde{l}$  be the norm preserving extension of  $l$  on  $M^p(\mathbf{R})$ . By Lemma 4.3, there exists a positive  $\tilde{\mu} \in \text{rba}[1, \infty)$  such that  $\tilde{l}$  can be represented by  $\tilde{\mu}$  and  $\psi$ . The same argument as in Corollary 4.4 yields

$$\langle l, f \rangle = \int_1^\infty A(T, f\psi) d\mu(T) \quad \forall f \in I^p(\mathbf{R})$$

where  $\mu$  is the countably additive component of  $\tilde{\mu}$ ,  $\mu$  is positive and  $\|\mu\| = \|l\|$ .

**THEOREM 4.7.** *For  $1 < p < \infty$ ,  $M^p(\mathbf{R})^* = I^p(\mathbf{R})^* \oplus I^p(\mathbf{R})^\perp$  and  $\|l_1 + l_2\| = \|l_1\| + \|l_2\|$  for  $l_1 \in I^p(\mathbf{R})^*$  and  $l_2 \in I^p(\mathbf{R})^\perp$ .*



*Proof.* Since  $M^p(\mathbf{R}) = I^p(\mathbf{R})^{**}$ , it follows that  $M^p(\mathbf{R})^* = I^p(\mathbf{R})^* \oplus I^p(\mathbf{R})^\perp$ . To prove the second assertion, we may assume that  $\|l_1\| = \|l_2\| = 1$ . For  $\varepsilon > 0$ , choose  $f_1 \in I^p(\mathbf{R})$ ,  $f_2 \in M^p(\mathbf{R})$  such that  $\langle l_i, f_i \rangle \geq 1 - \varepsilon$  and  $\|f_i\| = 1$ . Note that

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} A(T, |f_2|^p) = 1.$$

Without loss of generality, assume that  $\text{supp } f_1 \subseteq [-a, a]$  for some  $a > 0$  such that  $\mu(R \setminus (a, \infty)) < \varepsilon$  where  $\mu$  is the measure in the representation of  $l_1$  and

$$A(T, |f_1|^p) < \varepsilon^p \quad \text{for all } T > a.$$

Let  $f = f_1 + f_2 \cdot \chi_{R \setminus [-a, a]}$ . Then  $\|f\| = \sup_{1 \leq T} A(T, |f|^p)^{1/p} \leq 1 + \varepsilon$ . The fact that  $\langle l_2, g \rangle = 0$  for all  $g \in M^p(\mathbf{R})$  with compact support implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle l_1 + l_2, f \rangle &\geq (\langle l_1, f_1 \rangle - \varepsilon) + \langle l_2, f_2 \cdot \chi_{R \setminus [-a, a]} \rangle \\ &= \langle l_1, f_1 \rangle + \langle l_2, f_2 \rangle - \varepsilon \\ &\geq 2 - 3\varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that  $\|l_1 + l_2\| \geq (2 - 3\varepsilon)/(1 + \varepsilon)$  and since  $\varepsilon$  is arbitrary,  $\|l_1 + l_2\| = 2$ . This completes the proof.

**5. Representation of  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})^*$ .** A finitely additive measure  $\mu \in \text{rba}[1, \infty)$  is said to be *concentrated at  $\infty$*  if  $\mu(E) = 0$  for any measurable subset  $E$  contained in a finite interval. It is easy to show that for  $1 < p < \infty$ , if  $\psi \in \mathcal{M}^q(\mathbf{R})$ ,  $\mu \in \text{rba}[1, \infty)$  and  $\mu$  is concentrated at  $\infty$ , then

$$\langle l, f \rangle = \int_1^\infty A(T, f\psi) d\mu(T) \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$$

defines a functional on  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$ . We will show that every norm attaining functional on  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$  is of this form.

Recall that  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$  is isometric isomorphic to  $M^p(\mathbf{R})/I^p(\mathbf{R})$  (Proposition 2.4). This implies that  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})^*$  is isometric isomorphic to  $I^p(\mathbf{R})^\perp$ .

**LEMMA 5.1.** *Let  $1 < p < \infty$ . Then for each  $\bar{f} \in M^p(\mathbf{R})/I^p(\mathbf{R})$ , there exists an  $f \in M^p(\mathbf{R})$  such that  $\|f\| = \|\bar{f}\|$ .*

*Proof.* Theorem 4.7 implies that  $I^p(\mathbf{R})$  is an  $M$ -ideal  $[1]$  in  $M^p(\mathbf{R})$ . Hence it is a proximal subspace of  $M^p(\mathbf{R})$ , i.e., for each  $f \in M^p(\mathbf{R})$ , there exists a  $g \in I^p(\mathbf{R})$  such that

$$\|f - g\| = \inf \{\|f - h\| : h \in I^p(\mathbf{R})\}.$$

It follows that each  $\bar{f} \in M^p(\mathbf{R})/I^p(\mathbf{R})$  is the image of an  $f \in M^p(\mathbf{R})$  such that  $\|f\| = \|\bar{f}\|$ .

**THEOREM 5.2.** *Let  $1 < p < \infty$  and let  $l$  be a norm attaining functional on  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$ . Then there exists a  $\psi \in \mathcal{M}^q(\mathbf{R})$ ,  $1/p + 1/q = 1$ , and a positive  $\mu \in \text{rba}[1, \infty)$  which is concentrated at  $\infty$  such that*

$$\langle l, f \rangle = \int_1^\infty A(T, f\psi) d\mu \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R}).$$

*Proof.* We will assume that  $\|l\| = 1$ . The identification of  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})^*$  and  $I^p(\mathbf{R})^\perp$ , and Lemma 5.1 enable one to assume that  $l \in I^p(\mathbf{R})^\perp$  and  $l$  attains its norm on a  $g \in S(M^p(\mathbf{R}))$ . Recalling the notation and proof of Lemma 4.3, we claim that for  $(T, \phi) \in B$ , if  $\{(T_r, \phi_r)\}$  is a net in  $K_p$  which converges to  $(T, \phi)$ , then  $\lim_r T_r = \infty$ . This holds, since if not, there is a subnet  $\{T_\alpha\}$  such that  $\lim_\alpha T_\alpha = T_0 < \infty$ . If  $g_n = g \cdot \chi_{\mathbf{R} \setminus [-n, n]}$ , then  $\langle l, g_n \rangle = \langle l, g \rangle = 1$  (for  $l \in I^p(\mathbf{R})^\perp$ ). This implies that  $|g_n(T, \phi)| = 1$ . But for  $n > T_0$ , there exists an  $\alpha_0$  such that for  $\alpha > \alpha_0$ ,

$$|g_n(T_\alpha, \phi_\alpha)| \leq A(T_\alpha, |g_n|^{1/p}) \cdot A(T_\alpha, |\phi_\alpha|^q)^{1/q} = 0.$$

Hence  $|g_n(T, \phi)| = 0$ . This is a contradiction and the claim is proved. It follows that one can show that

$$(5.1) \quad |\langle l, f \rangle| \leq \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} |f(T, \psi)| \quad \forall f \in M^p(\mathbf{R}).$$

Moreover, using the proof of Lemma 4.3, one can find a  $\mu \in \text{rba}[1, \infty)$  such that

$$(5.2) \quad \langle l, f \rangle = \int_1^\infty A(T, f\psi) d\mu(T) \quad \forall f \in M^p(\mathbf{R})$$

with  $\mu$  positive and  $\|l\| = \|\mu\|$ . Inequality (5.1) clearly implies that  $\mu$  is concentrated at  $\infty$ . By considering (5.2) with  $f \in \mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$ , we have  $\psi \in \mathcal{M}^q(\mathbf{R})$  such that

$$\langle l, f \rangle = \int_1^\infty A(T, f\psi) d\mu(T) \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R}).$$

**COROLLARY 5.3.** *Let  $1 < p < \infty$  and let  $X$  be a closed subspace of  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$ . Then there exists a norm dense subset  $D$  in  $X^*$  such that each  $l \in D$  can be represented as in equation (5.2).*

*Proof.* Let  $D$  be the set of norm attaining functionals in  $X^*$ . Let  $l \in D$ . By the Hahn-Banach theorem,  $l$  can be extended to a functional  $\tilde{l}$  in  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})^*$  with  $\|\tilde{l}\| = \|l\|$  and  $\tilde{l}$  also attains its norm.

The representation of  $\tilde{l}$  on  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})$  will give the representation for  $l$  on  $X$ .

We are unable to represent every functional  $l$  in  $\mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R})^*$  as in (5.2). However, if we consider the subspace

$$\mathcal{M}_r^p(\mathbf{R}) = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{M}^p(\mathbf{R}) : \lim_{T \rightarrow \pm\infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_T^{T+1} |f|^p = 0 \right\},$$

the space of  $\mathcal{M}^p$ -regular functions, a complete representation can be obtained. The method is due to Cwikel [7, Erratum].

**LEMMA 5.4.** *For  $1 < p < \infty$ , let  $f \in M_r^p(\mathbf{R})$ ,  $\phi \in M_r^q(\mathbf{R})$  and suppose that  $|S - T| < 1$ . Then  $|A(T, f\phi) - A(S, T\phi)| \rightarrow 0$  uniformly as  $T \rightarrow \infty$ .*

*Proof.* The lemma follows from the following inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} & |A(T, f\phi) - A(S, f\phi)| \\ & \leq \left| \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T f\phi - \frac{1}{2S} \int_{-T}^T f\phi \right| + \frac{1}{2S} \int_{[-T, T] \Delta [-S, S]} |f\phi| \\ & \leq \left| 1 - \frac{T}{S} \right| A(T, f\phi) + \frac{T}{S} \cdot \frac{1}{2T} \left( \int_{-(T+1)}^{-T} + \int_T^{T+1} |f\phi| \right). \end{aligned}$$

**THEOREM 5.5.** *Let  $1 < p < \infty$  and let  $l \in \mathcal{M}_r^p(\mathbf{R})^*$ . Then there exists a positive  $\mu \in \text{rba}[1, \infty)$  which is concentrated at  $\infty$  and a two variable Borel measurable function  $\psi(T, x)$  such that for each fixed  $T$ ,  $\psi(T, \cdot) \in \mathcal{M}_r^q(\mathbf{R})$  and*

$$(5.3) \quad \langle l, f \rangle = \int_1^\infty \left( \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T f(x) \psi(T, x) dx \right) d\mu(T) \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{M}_r^p(\mathbf{R}).$$

*Proof.* Let  $I_m = [m, m+1)$ ,  $m \geq 1$ , and partition  $I_m$  into  $2m+1$  disjoint consecutive subintervals  $E_{1,m}, \dots, E_{2m+1,m}$ . If  $E_n = \bigcup_{m \geq n} (E_{2n,m} \cup (-E_{2n,m}))$ , then  $\{E_n\}$  is a disjoint sequence of sets. Applying the notation and proof as in Lemma 4.3 and Theorem 5.2, with  $M_r^p(\mathbf{R})$  in place of  $M^p(\mathbf{R})$ , we have for each norm attaining functional  $l$  on  $\mathcal{M}_r^p(\mathbf{R})$ , there exists a  $g \in S(M_r^p(\mathbf{R}))$  such that  $\langle l, g \rangle = \|l\|$  and

$$|\langle l, f \rangle| \leq \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} |f(T, \phi)| = \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} |f(T, \phi)| \cdot \chi_{E_n} \quad \forall f \in M_r^p(\mathbf{R})$$

where  $\phi = |g|^{p-1} \text{sgn } \bar{g}$  (the last equality follows from Lemma 5.5). Hence we can choose a representation of  $l$  with  $\phi \in M_r^q(\mathbf{R})$  and a  $\nu \in \text{rba}[1, \infty)$  which is supported by  $E_n$  and concentrated at  $\infty$ .

Now, for any  $l \in \mathcal{M}_r^p(\mathbf{R})^*$ , let  $\{l_n\}$  be a sequence of norm attaining functionals which converges to  $l$ . Suppose that the  $l_n$ 's are represented by (5.2):

$$\langle l_n, f \rangle = \int_1^\infty A(T, f\psi_n) d\nu_n(T) \quad \forall f \in M_r^p(\mathbf{R}),$$

where  $\psi_n \in M_r^q(\mathbf{R})$  and  $\nu_n$  is supported by  $E_n$  and is concentrated at  $\infty$ . If one defines

$$\psi(T, x) = \sum_{n=1}^\infty \psi_n(x) \chi_{E_n}(T).$$

Then it follows that

$$\langle l_n, f \rangle = \int_1^\infty \left( \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T f(x) \psi(T, x) dx \right) d\nu_n(T) \quad \forall f \in M_r^p(\mathbf{R}).$$

The weak compactness of the unit sphere of  $\text{rba}[1, \infty)$  allows one to assume  $\mu$  is a  $w^*$ -limit point of  $\{\nu_n\}$  and hence

$$\langle l, f \rangle = \int_1^\infty \left( \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T f(x) \psi(T, x) dx \right) d\mu(T) \quad \forall f \in M_r^p(\mathbf{R}).$$

It follows immediately that  $\mu$  is concentrated at  $\infty$  and  $\mu$  is positive. By considering  $l \in \mathcal{M}_r^p(\mathbf{R})^*$ , we have  $\psi(T, \cdot) \in \mathcal{M}_r^q(\mathbf{R})$

$$\langle l, f \rangle = \int_1^\infty \left( \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T f(x) \psi(T, x) dx \right) d\mu(T) \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{M}_r^p(\mathbf{R}).$$

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