

## On the $WM$ points of Orlicz function spaces endowed with Orlicz norm<sup>(\*)</sup>

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### ABSTRACT

In this paper, we introduce the concept of  $WM$  point and obtain the criterion of  $WM$  points for Orlicz function spaces endowed with Orlicz norm and the criterion of  $WM$  property for Orlicz space.

### § 1. Introduction

In 1975, while discussing the expansibility of local uniformly rotundity, B.B. Panda and O.P. Kappor [1] introduced the concept of  $WM$  property. Afterwards, F. Sullivan [2] introduced the idea of local  $k$  uniformly rotundity, and Nan Chaoxun and Wang Jianhua [3] introduced the notion of local  $k$  rotundity. They both are related to local uniformly rotundity. By making use of  $WM$  property, Wang Jianhua and Wang Musan [4] worked out the relationships among the local uniformly rotundity and obtained:

(1) Let  $X$  be a Banach space.  $X$  is local uniformly rotund if and only if  $X$  is strictly convex local  $k$  uniformly rotund and has  $WM$  property.

(2) Let  $X$  be a Banach space.  $X$  is local uniformly rotund if and only if  $X$  is local  $k$  rotund and has  $WM$  property.

$WM$  point is a kind of pointwise description of  $WM$  property. Obviously, local uniformly convex points and weakly local uniformly convex points are all  $WM$  points.

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For a Banach space  $X$ , let  $B(X), S(X)$  be the unit ball and unit sphere of  $X$ , respectively  $x \in S(X)$  is called a  $WM$  point if  $x_n \in B(X), \|x_n + x\| \rightarrow 2$  imply that there is a supporting functional  $f$  of  $x$ , satisfying  $f(x_n) \rightarrow 1$ . If all points of  $S(X)$  are  $WM$  points, then  $X$  has  $WM$  property.

Let  $M(u), N(v)$  be a pair of  $N$ -functions,  $p_-(u)$  and  $p(u)$  denote the derivatives of  $M(u)$  from the left and from the right, respectively  $[a, b]$  where  $a < b$  is called an affine segment of  $M(u)$ , if  $M(u)$  is linear in  $[a, b]$ , but not on  $[a - \varepsilon, b]$  or  $[a, b + \varepsilon]$  for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ . We denote  $S_M = \mathbb{R} \setminus \cup_{i=1}^{\infty} [a_i, b_i]$  where  $[a_i, b_i], i \in \mathbb{N}$  are the family of all affine segments of  $M(u)$ .  $M(u)$  is said to satisfy  $\Delta_2$ -condition ( $M \in \Delta_2$ ) if there is a constant  $K$  such that  $M(2u) \leq KM(u)$  for large  $u, M \in \nabla_2$  if and only if  $N \in \Delta_2$ . Let  $(G, \Sigma, \mu)$  be a nonatomic finite measurable space, and let  $X$  be the set of all  $\Sigma$ -measurable real scalar functions defined over  $G$ . For  $x \in X$ , we denote the modular of  $x$  by  $\rho_M(x) = \int_G M(x(t))d\mu$ . The family

$$L_M = \left\{ x(t) \in X : \text{for some } \lambda > 0, \rho_M(\lambda x) = \int_G M(\lambda x(t)) d\mu < \infty \right\}$$

is a linear set, and when it is endowed with Orlicz norm

$$\|x\|^\circ = \inf_{k>0} \frac{1}{k} (1 + \rho_M(kx)) = \sup_{\rho_N(y) \leq 1} \int_G x(t)y(t)d\mu$$

or Luxemburg norm

$$\|x\| = \inf \left\{ c > 0 : \rho_M\left(\frac{x}{c}\right) \leq 1 \right\}$$

forms a Banach space, called Orlicz space and denoted by  $L_M^\circ, L_M$  respectively. We know that ([8]) for any  $x \neq 0, \|x\|^\circ = \frac{1}{k} (1 + \rho_M(kx))$  if and only if

$$k \in K(x) = [k_x^*, k_x^{**}], \quad \text{where } k_x^* = \inf \{k > 0 : \rho_N(p(kx)) \geq 1\} \\ k_x^{**} = \sup \{k > 0 : \rho_N(p(kx)) \leq 1\}.$$

## § 2. Preparatory lemmas

For the sake of reading, we first give several Lemmas.

**Lemma 1** [9].

For arbitrary  $0 \leq \lambda, \delta, \lambda' < 1$ , there exists  $0 < \delta' \leq \delta$  such that for all  $u, v > 0$  with  $M(\lambda u + (1 - \lambda)v) \leq (1 - \delta)(\lambda M(u) + (1 - \lambda)M(v))$ , we have that

$$M(\lambda' u + (1 - \lambda')v) \leq (1 - \delta')(\lambda' M(u) + (1 - \lambda')M(v)).$$

**Lemma 2** [8].

For  $0 \neq x \in L_M^\circ$ ,  $f = y + \phi$  is a supporting functional of  $x$  if and only if for all (or some)  $k \in K(x)$ , where  $y \in L_N^\circ$ ,  $\phi$  is a singular function.

(i)  $\rho_N(y) + \|\phi\| = 1$

(ii)  $\|\phi\| = \phi(x)$

(iii)  $x(t)y(t) \geq 0$  and  $p_-(k|x(t)|) \leq |y(t)| \leq p(k|x(t)|)$  ( $\mu$ -a.e.).

**Lemma 3** [5].

Assume  $M \in \nabla_2$ . If  $[a, b]$  is an affine segment of  $M(u)$ , then for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , and  $\alpha \in \left(0, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ , there is  $\delta > 0$  such that if  $\lambda \in [\alpha, 1 - \alpha]$ ,  $v \in [a, b]$  and  $\lambda M(u) + (1 - \lambda)M(v) - M(\lambda u) - M((1 - \lambda)v) < \delta$  then  $u \in [a - \varepsilon, b + \varepsilon]$ .

**Lemma 4**

Assume  $M \in \nabla_2$ ,  $x \in S(L_M^\circ)$  is a WM point if and only if for  $x_n \in B(L_M^\circ)$ , if  $\|x_n + x\|^\circ \rightarrow 2$ , then there is a supporting functional  $y \in L_N$  of  $x$  satisfying  $\langle x_n, y \rangle \rightarrow 1$ .

*Proof.* **Sufficiency** is trivial.

**Necessity.** For the cutting function  $[x(t)]_n = x(t)$ , if  $|x(t)| \leq n$ ;  $= 0$  if  $|x(t)| > n$ , it holds that  $x_n \xrightarrow{\mu} x$ .

For  $x_n \in B(L_M^\circ)$ ,  $\|x_n + x\|^\circ \rightarrow 2$ , take  $[x_n]_{N_n}$  such that

$$\mu\{t : |x_n(t)| > N_n\} \rightarrow 0, \quad \|[x_n]_{N_n} + x\|^\circ \rightarrow 2.$$

Since  $x$  is a WM point, there is a supporting functional  $f = y + \phi$  of  $x$  satisfying  $f([x_n]_{N_n}) = \langle [x_n]_{N_n}, y \rangle \rightarrow 1$ . Hence  $\|y\|_N \geq 1$ . Moreover, by Lemma 2, we deduce that  $\rho_N(y) \leq 1$ , so  $\|y\| \leq 1$ . Thus  $\|y\| = 1$ . By  $M \in \nabla_2$ , it follows that  $\lim_n \langle x_n, y \rangle = \lim_n \langle [x_n]_{N_n}, y \rangle = 1$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 5**

For  $x, x_n \in S(L_M^\circ)$ , if  $\|x_n + x\|^\circ \rightarrow 2$ , then for any  $\eta > 0$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \rho_N \left( p \left( (1 + \eta) \frac{k k_n}{k + k_n} (x + x_n) \right) \right) \geq 1 \tag{1}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf \rho_N \left( p \left( (1 - \eta) \frac{k k_n}{k + k_n} (x + x_n) \right) \right) \leq 1 \tag{2}$$

where  $k \in K(x)$ ,  $k_n \in K(x_n)$ .

*Proof.* By the definition of Orlicz norm and the convexity of  $M(u)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leftarrow \|x\|^\circ + \|x_n\|^\circ - \|x_n + x\|^\circ \\ &\geq \frac{1}{k}(1 + \rho_M(kx)) + \frac{1}{k_n}(1 + \rho_M(k_n x_n)) - \frac{k + k_n}{kk_n} \left(1 + \rho_M\left(\frac{kk_n}{k + k_n}(x + x_n)\right)\right) \\ &= \frac{k + k_n}{kk_n} \left[ \frac{k_n}{k + k_n} \rho_M(kx) + \frac{k}{k + k_n} \rho_M(k_n x_n) - \rho_M\left(\frac{kk_n}{k + k_n}(x + x_n)\right) \right] \geq 0, \end{aligned}$$

i.e.  $\frac{1}{h_n}(1 + \rho_M(h_n(x + x_n))) - \|x_n + x\|^\circ \rightarrow 0$ , where  $h_n = \frac{kk_n}{k + k_n} \leq k$ .

If (1) fails, then for some  $\eta_0 > 0$ , and  $\theta_0 > 0$ , and for a subsequence of  $(x_n)$ , still denoted by  $(x_n)$ ,  $\rho_N(p((1 + \eta_0)h_n(x + x_n))) \leq 1 - \theta_0$  which leads to a contradiction:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leftarrow \frac{1}{h_n}(1 + \rho_M(h_n(x + x_n))) - \|x_n + x\|^\circ \\ &\geq \frac{1}{h_n}(1 + \rho_M(h_n(x + x_n))) - \frac{1}{(1 + \eta_0)h_n}(1 + \rho_M((1 + \eta_0)h_n(x + x_n))) \\ &= \frac{\eta_0}{(1 + \eta_0)h_n} \left\{ 1 - \frac{1 + \eta_0}{\eta_0} \int_G \left( \int_{h_n|x+x_n|}^{(1+\eta_0)h_n|x+x_n|} p(s) ds \right) d\mu \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \rho_M((1 + \eta_0)h_n(x + x_n)) \right\} \\ &\geq \frac{\eta_0}{(1 + \eta_0)h_n} \left\{ 1 - \frac{1 + \eta_0}{\eta_0} \int_G p((1 + \eta_0)h_n(x + x_n)) \eta_0 h_n |x + x_n| d\mu \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \rho_M((1 + \eta_0)h_n(x + x_n)) \right\} \\ &= \frac{\eta_0}{(1 + \eta_0)h_n} \{1 - \rho_N((1 + \eta_0)h_n(x + x_n))\} \\ &\geq \frac{\eta_0}{(1 + \eta_0)h_n} \{1 - (1 - \theta_0)\} \geq \frac{\eta_0 \theta_0}{(1 + \eta_0)k}. \end{aligned}$$

For (2), the argument is similar to that of (1).  $\square$

### Lemma 6

For  $1 = \|x\|^\circ = \frac{1}{k}(1 + \rho_M(kx)); 1 = \|x_n\|^\circ = \frac{1}{k_n}(1 + \rho_M(k_n x_n))$  if  $\bar{k} = \sup k_n < \infty$ ,  $\|x + x_n\|^\circ \rightarrow 2$ , then  $k_n x_n - kx \xrightarrow{\mu} 0$  over  $G_x$ , where  $G_x = \{t \in G : k|x(t)| \in S_M \setminus (\{a\} \cup \{b\})\}$ ,  $\{a\}$  and  $\{b\}$  are the sets of left and right extreme points of affine segments of  $M(u)$ , respectively.

*Proof.* Otherwise, for some  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $\sigma > 0$ , there exists a subsequence of  $\{x_n\}$ , still denoted by  $\{x_n\}$ , such that  $\mu\{t \in G_x : |k_n x_n(t) - kx(t)| \geq \varepsilon\} \geq \sigma$ .

From  $\bar{k} \geq k_n > \rho_M(k_n x_n) \geq M(D)\mu\{t : |k_n x_n(t)| > D\}$ , take  $D$  large enough such that  $\mu\{t : |kx(t)| > D\} < \frac{\sigma}{4}$  and  $\mu\{t : |k_n x_n(t)| > D\} < \frac{\sigma}{4}$ .

Denote  $\{a\}$  and  $\{b\}$  as  $c_1, c_2, c_3, \dots$ . Since  $t \in G_x, kx(t) \neq c_1$  for all  $i$ , then we can take open segments  $v_i \ni c_1$ , so that  $\mu\{t \in G_x; kx(t) \in v_i\} < \frac{\sigma}{4 \cdot 2^i}$ . Hence

$$\mu \left\{ d \in G_x : |kx(t)| \in \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} v_i \right\} \leq \frac{\sigma}{4}.$$

Denote

$$G_n = \left\{ t \in G_x : |k_n x_n(t) - kx(t)| \geq \varepsilon; |kx(t)|, |k_n x_n(t)| \leq D, kx(t) \in S_M \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} v_i \right\}.$$

Then  $\mu G_n \geq \frac{\sigma}{4}$ . For the bounded closed subset of  $\mathbb{R}^3$

$$\left\{ (u, v, \lambda) : |u - v| \geq \varepsilon, |u|, |v| \leq D, v \in S_M \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} v_i, \lambda \in \left[ \frac{1}{1 + \bar{k}}, \frac{\bar{k}}{1 + \bar{k}} \right] \right\},$$

because  $M(u)$  is strictly convex on  $S_M$ , there is  $\delta, 0 < \delta < 1$ , such that for any element  $(u, v, \lambda)$  of the above bounded closed subset,

$$M(\lambda u + (1 - \lambda)v) \leq (1 - \delta)(\lambda M(u) + (1 - \lambda)M(v)).$$

Thus, for  $t \in G_n$ ,

$$M \left( \frac{k k_n}{k + k_n} (x(t) + x_n(t)) \right) \leq (1 - \delta) \left( \frac{k_n}{k + k_n} M(kx(t)) + \frac{k}{k + k_n} M(k_n x_n(t)) \right).$$

It leads to a contradiction, since

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leftarrow \|x\|^\circ + \|x_n\|^\circ - \|x_n + x\|^\circ \\ &\geq \frac{k + k_n}{k k_n} \int_G \left[ \frac{k_n}{k + k_n} M(kx(t)) + \frac{k}{k + k_n} M(k_n x_n(t)) - M \left( \frac{k k_n}{k + k_n} (x(t) + x_n(t)) \right) \right] d\mu \\ &\geq \frac{k + k_n}{k k_n} \int_{G_n} \left[ \frac{k_n}{k + k_n} M(kx(t)) + \frac{k}{k + k_n} M(k_n x_n(t)) - M \left( \frac{k k_n}{k + k_n} (x(t) + x_n(t)) \right) \right] d\mu \\ &\geq \frac{k + k_n}{k k_n} \delta \int_{G_n} \left[ \frac{k_n}{k + k_n} M(kx(t)) + \frac{k}{k + k_n} M(k_n x_n(t)) \right] d\mu \\ &\geq \frac{1}{k} \delta M \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right) \frac{\sigma}{4}. \quad \square \end{aligned} \quad (++)$$

In the following, we still use  $\{a\}$  and  $\{b\}$  to denote the subsets of left and right extreme points of affine segment  $[a, b]$  of  $M(u)$  for which  $p_-(a) < p(a)$  and  $p_-(b) < p(b)$ .

### § 3. The main result

#### Theorem

For  $x \in S(L_M^\circ)$ ,  $k \in K(x)$ , let  $G_a = \{t : k|x(t)| \in \{a\}\}$ ,  $G_b = \{t : k|x(t)| \in \{b\}\}$ . Then  $x$  is a WM point if and only if

- (i)  $M \in \nabla_2$ ,
- (ii)  $\rho_N(p(kx)) \geq 1$ ,
- (iii)  $\rho_N(p(kx)) > 1 \Rightarrow \int_{G \setminus G_b} N(p(kx(t)))d\mu + \int_{G_b} N(p_-(kx(t)))d\mu \geq 1$ ,  
 $\rho_N(p_-(kx)) < 1 \Rightarrow \int_{G \setminus G_a} N(p_-(kx(t)))d\mu + \int_{G_a} N(p(kx(t)))d\mu \leq 1$ ,
- (iv)  $\rho_N(p(kx)) = 1 \Rightarrow \mu G_b = 0$  or  $\rho_N\left(p\left(\frac{kx}{1-\tau}\right)\right) < \infty$  for some  $\tau > 0$ ,
- (v) for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is  $\delta > 0$  such that for all  $y \in B(L_M^\circ)$  with  $\|x + y\|^\circ > 2 - \delta$  and for all  $e \subset G$  with  $\mu e < \delta$ , we have  $\rho_M(ky|e) < \varepsilon$ , where  $k \in K(y)$ .

*Proof. Necessity.* Without loss of generality, we can assume  $x(t) \geq 0$ .

- (i)  $M \in \nabla_2$ .

We first take  $y_n \in L_N$ ,  $\rho_N(y_n) = 1$  and  $\int_G x(t)y_n(t)d\mu > 1 - \frac{1}{n}$  and  $d > 0$  so that  $\mu E = \mu\{t \in G : kx(t) \leq d\} > 0$ .

If  $M \notin \nabla_2$ , there exists  $v_n \uparrow \infty$  with  $N\left(\frac{v_n}{1-1/n}\right) > 2nN(v_n)$ . Take  $G_n \subset E$  so that  $N(v_n)\mu G_n = \frac{1}{n}$ . Define  $z_n(t) = v_n|_{G_n}$ . Since  $\rho_N(z_n) = \frac{1}{n} < 1$  and  $\rho_N\left(\frac{z_n}{1-1/n}\right) > 2nN(v_n)\mu G_n = 2$ ,  $1 \geq \|z_n\| \geq 1 - \frac{1}{n}$ . By [8], there exists  $x_n(t) = u_n|_{G_n}$ ,  $\|x_n\|^\circ = 1$  such that  $\langle x_n, z_n \rangle = u_n v_n \mu G_n = \|z_n\| \geq 1 - \frac{1}{n}$ . Set

$$g_n(t) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)(y_n(t)|_{G \setminus G_n} + z_n(t)|_{G_n})$$

then  $\rho_N(g_n) \leq \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) = 1 - \frac{1}{n^2} < 1$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \|x + x_n\|^\circ &\geq \langle x + x_n, g_n \rangle \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) \left( \int_{G \setminus G_n} x(t)y_n(t)d\mu + \int_{G_n} x(t)v_n d\mu + \int_{G_n} u_n v_n d\mu \right) \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) \left( \int_G x(t)y_n(t)d\mu - \int_{G_n} x(t)y_n(t)d\mu + \int_{G_n} x(t)v_n d\mu + u_n v_n \mu G_n \right) \\ &\geq \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{n} - \|x|_{G_n}\|^\circ - \|x|_{G_n}\|^\circ + 1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) \rightarrow 2. \end{aligned}$$

For any supporting functional  $y \in L_N$  of  $x$ , noticing that  $y(t) \leq p(kx(t)) \leq p(d)$  whenever  $t \in G_n$ , we deduce that

$$\langle x_n, y \rangle = \int_{G_n} u_n y(t) d\mu \leq \|x_n\|^\circ \|y|_{G_n}\|_N \rightarrow 0$$

a contradiction with that  $x$  is WM point by Lemma 4.

(ii)  $\rho_N(p(kx)) \geq 1$ , otherwise,  $\rho_N(p(kx)) < 1$ . By Lemma 2,  $x$  does not have any supporting functional in  $L_N$ , then by Lemma 2, we deduce that  $x$  is not a WM point, a contradiction.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii)} \quad \rho_N(p(kx)) > 1 &\Rightarrow \int_{G \setminus G_b} N(p(kx(t)))d\mu + \int_{G_b} N(p_-(kx(t)))d\mu \geq 1 \\ \rho_N(p_-(kx)) < 1 &\Rightarrow \int_{G \setminus G_a} N(p_-(kx(t)))d\mu + \int_{G_a} N(p(kx(t)))d\mu \leq 1. \end{aligned}$$

Denote  $\{b\} = \{b_n\}_{n=1}^\infty, G_n = \{t \in G : kx(t) = b_n\}$ , and assume  $\mu G_n > 0$ .

If the first statement is not true, then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{G \setminus \bigcup_{n=1}^\infty G_n} N(p(kx(t)))d\mu + \int_{\bigcup_{n=1}^\infty G_n} N(p(kx(t)))d\mu \\ = \int_{G \setminus \bigcup_{n=1}^\infty G_n} N(p(kx(t)))d\mu + \sum_{n=1}^\infty N(p(b_n))\mu G_n > 1 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\int_{G \setminus \bigcup_{n=1}^\infty G_n} N(p(kx(t)))d\mu + \sum_{n=1}^\infty N(p_-(b_n))\mu G_n < 1.$$

For each  $n$ , take different subsets  $G'_n \neq G''_n, G'_n, G''_n \subset G_n$  so that  $\mu G'_n = \mu G''_n$  and

$$\int_{G \setminus \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} G_n} N(p(kx(t))) d\mu + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [N(p_-(b_n))\mu(G_n \setminus G'_n) + N(p(b_n))\mu G'_n] = 1, \quad (3)$$

$$\int_{G \setminus \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} G_n} N(p(kx(t))) d\mu + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [N(p_-(b_n))\mu(G_n \setminus G''_n) + N(p(b_n))\mu G''_n] = 1. \quad (4)$$

Take  $c_n < b_n$ ,  $p_-(c_n) = p(c_n) = p_-(b_n) < p(b_n)$ , and set

$$x_1(t) = x(t)|_{G \setminus \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} G_n} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{c_n}{k} |_{G_n \setminus G'_n} + \frac{b_n}{k} |_{G'_n} \right),$$

$$x_2(t) = x(t)|_{G \setminus \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} G_n} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{c_n}{k} |_{G_n \setminus G''_n} + \frac{b_n}{k} |_{G''_n} \right).$$

From (3) and (4), we get that  $k \in K(x_1), k \in K(x_2)$ . And by Lemma 2, we deduce that  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  have their unique supporting functionals:

$$y_1(t) = p(kx(t))|_{G \setminus \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} G_n} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [p_-(b_n)|_{G_n \setminus G'_n} + p(b_n)|_{G'_n}],$$

$$y_2(t) = p(kx(t))|_{G \setminus \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} G_n} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [p_-(b_n)|_{G_n \setminus G''_n} + p(b_n)|_{G''_n}],$$

i.e.,  $\langle \frac{x_1}{\|x_1\|^\circ}, y_1 \rangle = 1$ ,  $\langle \frac{x_2}{\|x_2\|^\circ}, y_2 \rangle = 1$ . By Lemma 2, it also follows that  $y_1, y_2$  are supporting functionals of  $x$ , i.e.,  $\langle \frac{x}{\|x\|^\circ}, y_1 \rangle = 1$ ,  $\langle \frac{x}{\|x\|^\circ}, y_2 \rangle = 1$ . Thus  $\langle x + \frac{x_1}{\|x_1\|^\circ}, y_1 \rangle = 2$ ,  $\langle x + \frac{x_2}{\|x_2\|^\circ}, y_2 \rangle = 2$ , so  $\|x + \frac{x_1}{\|x_1\|^\circ}\|^\circ = 2$  and  $\|x + \frac{x_2}{\|x_2\|^\circ}\|^\circ = 2$ .

Define  $z_n$  with  $z_1 = z_3 = \dots = \frac{x_1}{\|x_1\|^\circ}$ ,  $z_2 = z_4 = \dots = \frac{x_2}{\|x_2\|^\circ}$ , then  $\|z_n + x\|^\circ = 2$ . Since  $x$  is a  $WM$  point, there is a supporting functional  $y \in L_N$  such that  $\langle z_n, y \rangle \rightarrow 1$ . Hence  $\langle \frac{x_1}{\|x_1\|^\circ}, y \rangle = 1 = \langle \frac{x_1}{\|x_1\|^\circ}, y_1 \rangle$ ,  $\langle \frac{x_2}{\|x_2\|^\circ}, y \rangle = 1 = \langle \frac{x_2}{\|x_2\|^\circ}, y_2 \rangle$ . By the uniqueness of the supporting functionals of  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ , it yields that  $y_1 = y = y_2$ , a contradiction.

We can make the similar argument for

$$\rho_N(p_-(kx)) < 1 \Rightarrow \int_{G \setminus G_a} N(p_-(kx(t))) d\mu + \int_{G_a} N(p(kx(t))) d\mu \leq 1.$$

(iv)  $\rho_N(p(kx)) = 1 \Rightarrow \mu G_b = 0$  or  $\rho_N\left(p\left(\frac{kx}{1-\tau}\right)\right) < \infty$  for some  $\tau > 0$ .

If (iv) fails, then for some  $b \in \{b\}$ ,  $\mu E = \mu\{t \in G : kx(t) = b\} > 0$  and for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\rho_N(p((1+\varepsilon)kx)) = \infty$ .



Take  $c < b$ ,  $p_-(c) = p(c) = p_-(b) < p(b)$ . Set

$$x'(t) = x(t)|_{G \setminus E} + \frac{c}{k}|_E$$

then  $\rho_N(p(kx')) < \rho_N(p(kx)) = 1$ , and for all  $\eta > 0$ ,  $\rho_N(p((1+\eta)kx')) > \rho_N(p((1+\eta)kx|_{G \setminus E})) = \infty$ . Thus  $k \in K(x')$ , so  $k' = k\|x'\|^\circ \in K\left(\frac{x'}{\|x'\|^\circ}\right)$ . Clearly  $k' \leq k$ . From

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_N\left(p\left(\frac{kk'}{k+k'}\left(x + \frac{x'}{\|x'\|^\circ}\right)\right)\right) &= \rho_N\left(p\left(\frac{k'}{k+k'}kx + \frac{k}{k+k'}kx\right)\right) < \rho_N(p(kx)) = 1, \\ \rho_N\left(p\left((1+\eta)\frac{kk'}{k+k'}\left(x + \frac{x'}{\|x'\|^\circ}\right)\right)\right) &> \rho_N(p((1+\eta)kx|_{G \setminus E})) = \infty \end{aligned}$$

it follows that  $\frac{kk'}{k+k'} \in K\left(x + \frac{x'}{\|x'\|^\circ}\right)$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \left\|x + \frac{x'}{\|x'\|^\circ}\right\|^\circ &= \frac{k+k'}{kk'} \left(1 + \rho_M\left(\frac{kk'}{k+k'}\left(x + \frac{x'}{\|x'\|^\circ}\right)\right)\right) \\ &= \frac{k+k'}{kk'} \left[1 + \rho_M(kx|_{G \setminus E}) + M\left(\frac{k'}{k+k'}b + \frac{k}{k+k'}c\right)\mu E\right] \\ &= \frac{k+k'}{kk'} \left[1 + \rho_M(kx|_{G \setminus E}) + \left(\frac{k'}{k+k'}M(b) + \frac{k}{k+k'}M(c)\right)\mu E\right] \\ &= \frac{1}{k}(1 + \rho_M(kx)) + \frac{1}{k'} \left(1 + \rho_M\left(k' \frac{x'}{\|x'\|^\circ}\right)\right) = 2. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\rho_N(p(kx)) = 1$ , we get that  $x$  has the unique supporting functional  $y = p(k(x(t)))$  in  $L_N$ . From  $cp(b) < M(c) + N(p(b))$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} k' \left\langle \frac{x'}{\|x'\|^\circ}, y \right\rangle &= \langle kx', y \rangle = \int_{G \setminus E} kx(t)p(kx(t))d\mu + \int_E cp(b)d\mu \\ &< \rho_M(kx|_{G \setminus E}) + \rho_N(p(kx|_{G \setminus E})) + M(c)\mu E + N(p(b))\mu E \\ &= 1 + \rho_M(kx|_{G \setminus E}) + M(c)\mu E = 1 + \rho_M\left(k' \frac{x'}{\|x'\|^\circ}\right) = k' \end{aligned}$$

so  $\left\langle \frac{x'}{\|x'\|^\circ}, y \right\rangle < 1$ , a contradiction with  $x$  is a WM point.

(v) For any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is  $\delta > 0$  such that for all  $y \in B(L_M^\circ)$  with  $\|x+y\|^\circ > 2-\delta$  and all  $e \subset G$  with  $\mu e < \delta$ , we have  $\rho_M(ky|_e) < \varepsilon$  where  $k \in K(y)$ .

If there exist  $x_n \in B(L_M^\circ)$  and  $e_n \subset G$ ,  $\|x_n + x\|^\circ \rightarrow 2$ ,  $\mu e_n \rightarrow 0$ , but  $\rho_M(k_n x_n|_{e_n}) \geq \varepsilon$  for some  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

Since  $x$  is  $WM$  point, and  $M \in \nabla_2$ , there is a supporting functional  $y \in S(L_N) = S(E_N)$  such that  $\langle x_n, y \rangle \rightarrow 1$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
1 \leftarrow \|x_n\|^\circ &= \frac{1}{k_n} (1 + \rho_M(k_n x_n)) = \frac{1}{k_n} (\rho_N(y) + \rho_M(k_n x_n)) \\
&= \frac{1}{k_n} [\rho_N(y|_{G \setminus e_n}) + \rho_M(k_n x_n|_{G \setminus e_n}) + \rho_N(y|_{e_n}) + \rho_M(k_n x_n|_{e_n})] \\
&\geq \frac{1}{k_n} \int_{G \setminus e_n} y(t) k_n x_n(t) d\mu + \frac{\varepsilon}{k} \\
&= \int_G y(t) x_n(t) d\mu - \int_{e_n} y(t) x_n(t) d\mu + \frac{\varepsilon}{k} \\
&\geq \langle x_n, y \rangle - \|x_n\|^\circ \|y|_{e_n}\|_N + \frac{\varepsilon}{k} \\
&\rightarrow 1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{k},
\end{aligned}$$

a contradiction.

**Sufficiency.** For  $1 = \|x_n\|^\circ = \frac{1}{k_n} (1 + \rho_M(k_n x_n))$ ,  $\|x_n + x\|^\circ \rightarrow 2$ , we shall consider three cases.

(I).  $\rho_N(p_-(kx)) < 1 < \rho_N(p(kx))$ .

At first, by (v), we have

$$\lim_{\mu e \rightarrow 0} \sup_n \rho_M(k_n x_n|_e) = 0. \quad (*)$$

By (iii) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
&\int_{G \setminus (G_a \cup G_b)} N(p(kx(t))) d\mu + \int_{G_a} N(p(kx(t))) d\mu + \int_{G_b} N(p_-(kx(t))) d\mu \geq 1, \\
&\int_{G \setminus (G_a \cup G_b)} N(p_-(kx(t))) d\mu + \int_{G_a} N(p(kx(t))) d\mu + \int_{G_b} N(p_-(kx(t))) d\mu \leq 1.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus for  $v(t)$  satisfying that  $v(t) = p(kx(t))$  if  $t \in G_a$ ,  $v(t) = p_-(kx(t))$  if  $t \in G_b$ ;  $p_-(kx(t)) \leq v(t) \leq p(kx(t))$  if  $t \in G \setminus (G_a \cup G_b)$  and  $\rho_N(v) = 1$ , clearly,  $v$  is a supporting functional of  $x$ , we shall show  $\langle x_n, v \rangle \rightarrow 1$ .

Denote  $E_i = \{t \in G : kx(t) \in [a_i, b_i]\}$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots$ ), and  $E_0 = G \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i$  where  $[a_i, b_i]$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$  is the set of affine segments of  $M(\mu)$ . For any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , by (\*), there exist  $d > 0$ ,  $e \subset G$  such that  $\mu e < d$  and

$$\rho_M(k_n x_n|_e) < \varepsilon, \rho_M(kx|_e) < \varepsilon, \rho_N(v|_e) < \varepsilon.$$

Since  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu E_i \leq \mu G < \infty$ , choose  $m$  so that  $\mu \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i \right) < \frac{d}{3}$ . Since  $u \in [a_i, b_i]$ ,  $up(a_i) = M(u) + N(p(a_i))$ , there is  $\beta > 0$  such that for all  $u \in [a_i - \beta, b_i + \beta]$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ ),

$$up(a_i) > M(u) + N(p(a_i)) - \varepsilon. \quad (5)$$

By Lemma 3, there is  $\delta > 0$  such that for all  $\lambda \in \left[ \frac{1}{1+k}, \frac{k}{1+k} \right]$ ,  $v \in [a_i, b_i]$ , if  $\lambda M(u) + (1-\lambda)M(v) - M(\lambda u + (1-\lambda)v) < \delta$ , then  $u \in [a_i - \beta, b_i + \beta]$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ ).

As in (++), it is not difficult to prove that on  $\bigcup_{i=1}^m E_i$

$$f_n(t) = \frac{k}{k+k_n} M(k_n x_n(t)) + \frac{k_n}{k+k_n} M(kx(t)) - M\left(\frac{kk_n}{k+k_n}(x_n(t) + x(t))\right) \xrightarrow{\mu} 0.$$

Denote  $F_n = \left\{ t \in \bigcup_{i=1}^m E_i; f_n(t) \geq \delta \right\}$ , then for  $n$  large enough,  $\mu F_n < d$ . Hence, for all  $t \in \bigcup_{i=1}^m E_i \setminus F_n$ , we have  $kx(t) \in [a_i, b_i]$ .

Combine with  $\frac{1}{1+k} \leq \frac{k}{k+k_n}$ ,  $\frac{k_n}{k+k_n} \leq \frac{\bar{k}}{1+k}$ ,  $k_n x_n(t) \in [a_i - \beta, b_i + \beta]$ . Thus, from (5), it yields

$$k_n x_n(t) p(a_i) > M(k_n x_n(t)) + N(p(a_i)) - \varepsilon. \quad (6)$$

Noticing that if  $kx(t) = a_i$ ;  $v(t) = p(kx(t)) = p(a_i)$ ; if  $kx(t) = b_i$ ,  $v(t) = p_-(kx(t)) = p_-(b_i) = p(a_i)$ , if  $a_i < kx(t) < b_i$ ,  $v(t) = p(kx(t)) = p_-(kx(t)) = p(a_i)$ , from (6), we get that for  $t \in \bigcup_{i=1}^m E_i \setminus F_n$ ,

$$k_n x_n(t) v(t) > M(k_n x_n(t)) + N(v(t)) - \varepsilon. \quad (7)$$

By Lemma 6, it yields that  $k_n x_n - kx \xrightarrow{\mu} 0$  on  $E_0$ , so there is  $F_0 \subset E_0$  with  $\mu F_0 < d$  such that for all  $t \in E_0 \setminus F_0$ ,

$$|k_n x_n(t) - kx(t)| < \varepsilon, \quad |M(k_n x_n(t)) - M(kx(t))| < \varepsilon.$$

Thus for  $t \in E_0 \setminus F_0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} k_n x_n(t) v(t) &> (kx(t) - \varepsilon) v(t) = M(kx(t)) + N(v(t)) - \varepsilon v(t) \\ &> M(k_n v_n(t)) + N(v(t)) - \varepsilon - \varepsilon v(t) \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

By the boundedness of  $\{k_n\}$ , (7) and (8), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle k_n x_n, v \rangle &= \left( \int_{\bigcup_{i=1}^m E_i \setminus F_n} + \int_{E_0 \setminus F_0} + \int_{F_n \cup (\bigcup_{i>m} E_i) \cup F_0} \right) k_n x_n(t) v(t) d\mu \\
&\geq \int_{\bigcup_{i=1}^m E_i \setminus F_n} (M(k_n x_n(t)) + N(v(t)) - \varepsilon) d\mu \\
&\quad + \int_{E_0 \setminus F_0} (M(k_n x_n(t)) + N(v(t)) - \varepsilon - \varepsilon v(t)) d\mu \\
&\quad - \int_{F_n \cup (\bigcup_{i>m} E_i) \cup F_0} (M(k_n x_n(t)) + N(v(t))) d\mu \\
&= \left( \int_{\bigcup_{i=1}^m E_i \setminus F_n} + \int_{E_0 \setminus F_0} \right) [M(k_n x_n(t)) + N(v(t))] d\mu + 0(\varepsilon) \\
&= \int_G [M(k_n x_n(t)) + N(v(t))] d\mu + 0(\varepsilon) \\
&= 1 + \rho_M(k_n x_n) + 0(\varepsilon) = k_n + 0(\varepsilon).
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $\varepsilon$  is arbitrary, we conclude that  $\langle x_n, v \rangle \rightarrow 1$  and so  $x$  is a  $WM$  point.

(II).  $\rho_N(p_-(kx)) < 1 = \rho_N(p(kx))$ .

In this case,  $v(t) = p(kx(t))$  is the unique supporting functional of  $x$  in  $L_N$ . By (iv),  $\mu G_b = 0$  or  $\rho_N\left(p\left(\frac{kx}{1-\tau}\right)\right) < \infty$  for some  $\tau > 0$ . (If  $kx(t)$  is a left extreme point of an affine segment of  $M(u)$ , it is also a right extreme point of another segment. Let  $t \in G_n$ ).

If  $\mu G_b = 0$ . Using the argument similar to that of (I), it follows that  $\langle x_n, v \rangle \rightarrow 1$ , i.e.  $x$  is a  $WM$  point.

If  $\mu G_b > 0$ , and  $\rho_N\left(p\left(\frac{kx}{1-\tau}\right)\right) < \infty$  for some  $\tau > 0$ .

We only need to show that  $k_n x_n - kx \xrightarrow{\mu} 0$  on  $G_b$ . Then, similarly to (I),  $\langle x_n, v \rangle \rightarrow 1$ .

We first show that for some  $0 < \theta < 1$ ,

$$\lim_{\mu \varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \sup_n \rho_N \left( p \left( (1 + \theta) \frac{k k_n}{k + k_n} (x + x_n|_e) \right) \right) = 0. \quad (**)$$

Observe that for  $0 < \theta < 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
M(u) &> \int_{(1-\theta)u}^u p(t) d\mu \geq p((1-\theta)u) \theta u = \frac{\theta}{1-\theta} (1-\theta) u p((1-\theta)u) \\
&\geq \frac{\theta}{1-\theta} N(p((1-\theta)u))
\end{aligned}$$

from  $\lim_{\mu \varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \sup_n \rho_M(k_n x_n) = 0$ , we get

$$\lim_{\mu \varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \sup_n \rho_N(p(1 + \theta)k_n x_n|_e) = 0.$$

On the other hand, for  $\theta$  small enough, if  $|k_n x_n(t)| \leq \frac{kx(t)}{1 - \tau/2}$ , then

$$(1 + \theta) \frac{kk_n}{k + k_n} |x(t) + x_n(t)| \leq (1 + \theta) \frac{kx(t)}{1 - \tau/2} \leq \frac{kx(t)}{1 - \tau};$$

and if  $|k_n x_n(t)| > \frac{kx(t)}{1 - \tau/2}$ , then

$$(1 + \theta) \frac{kk_n}{k + k_n} |x(t) + x_n(t)| \leq (1 + \theta) \left(1 - \frac{\tau k_n}{\tau(k + k_n)}\right) k_n x_n \leq (1 - \theta') k_n x_n(t).$$

From

$$\rho_N \left( p \left( (1 + \theta) \frac{kk_n}{k + k_n} (x + x_n)|_e \right) \right) \leq \rho_N \left( p \left( \frac{kx}{1 - \tau} |_e \right) \right) + \rho_N(p((1 - \theta')k_n x_n|_e)) \rightarrow 0,$$

we conclude that (\*\*\*) holds.

Noticing that  $b$  is the right extreme point of an affine segment of  $M(u)$ , not left one, analogously with the proof of Lemma 6, we can deduce that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} k_n x_n(t) \leq kx(t) \quad (t \in G_b, \mu - a.e.).$$

Hence

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{kk_n}{k + k_n} (x(t) + x_n(t)) \leq kx(t) \quad (t \in G_b, \mu - a.e.). \quad (9)$$

For any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , by Lebesgue Theorem, there is  $\eta > 0$  so that  $\rho_N(p((1 + \eta)kx)) \leq \rho_N(p(kx)) + \varepsilon = 1 + \varepsilon$ . For such  $\varepsilon$  and  $\eta$ , by (\*\*), there is  $d > 0$ , when  $\mu \varepsilon < d$ ,

$$\sup_n \rho_N \left( p \left( (1 + \eta) \frac{kk_n}{k + k_n} (x + x_n)|_e \right) \right) < \varepsilon. \quad (10)$$

Since  $k_n x_n - kx \xrightarrow{\mu} 0$  on  $E_0$ ,  $\frac{kk_n}{k + k_n} (x + x_n) - kx \xrightarrow{\mu} 0$  on  $E_0$ .

Take  $F_0 \subset E_0$ ,  $\mu F_0 < d$  so that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{t \in E_0 \setminus F_0} \left[ \frac{kk_n}{k + k_n} (x(t) + x_n(t)) - kx(t) \right] = 0. \quad (11)$$

Take  $m$  so that  $\mu(\bigcup_{i>m} E_i) < d$ , and  $h$  small enough

$$\mu \left\{ \bigcup_{i=1}^m \{t \in E_i \setminus G_b : kx(t) > b_i - h\} \right\} < d.$$

Take  $\varepsilon'$  small enough, so that  $\frac{k}{k+k_n}(b_i + \varepsilon') + \frac{k_n}{k+k_n}(b_i - h) \leq b_i - \frac{h}{2}$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ ).

By Lemma 3, it follows that there is  $\delta > 0$  so that if  $kx(t) \in E_i$  and

$$f_n(t) = \frac{k}{k+k_n}M(k_n x_n(t)) + \frac{k_n}{k+k_n}M(kx(t)) - M\left(\frac{kk_n}{k+k_n}(x_n(t) + x(t))\right) \geq \delta$$

then  $k_n x_n(t) \in [a_i - \varepsilon', b_i + \varepsilon']$  ( $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, m$ ).

Since  $f_n(t) \xrightarrow{\mu} 0$  on  $\bigcup_{i=1}^m E_i$ , for  $n$  large enough,  $\mu F_n = \mu\{t \in G : f_n(t) \geq \delta\} < d$ . Denote  $E'_i = \{t \in E_i \setminus G_b : kx(t) \geq b_i - h\}$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ ). Then for  $n$  large enough,  $k_n x_n(t) \leq b_i + \varepsilon'$  whenever  $t \in \bigcup_{i=1}^m E'_i \setminus F_n$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{kk_n}{k+k_n}(x(t) + x_n(t)) &\leq \frac{k_n}{k+k_n}(b_i - h) + \frac{k}{k+k_n}(b_i + \varepsilon') \\ &\leq b_i - \frac{h}{2} \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, m, t \in E'_i \setminus F_n). \end{aligned}$$

Take  $\eta' \leq \eta$  so that  $(1 + \eta')(b_i - \frac{h}{2}) \leq b_i - \frac{h}{3}$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ ), then

$$(1 + \eta') \frac{kk_n}{k+k_n}(x(t) + x_n(t)) \leq b_i - \frac{h}{3} \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, m, t \in E'_i \setminus F_n) \quad (12)$$

Combining the nondecrease and right-continuity of  $p(u)$ , from (9), (10) and (12), we have that for all  $\bar{\eta} \leq \eta'$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} &\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} N \left( p \left( (1 + \bar{\eta}) \frac{kk_n}{k+k_n}(x(t) + x_n(t)) \right) \right) \\ &\leq N(p((1 + \bar{\eta})kx(t))) \left( t \in G_b \cup (E_0 \setminus F_0 \cup \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^m E'_i \setminus F_n \right)) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Noticing that for  $F_0, \bigcup_{i>m} E_i, F_n$  and  $\bigcup_{i=1}^m (E_i \setminus G_b \setminus E'_i)$ , their measures can be arbitrarily small, by (11), we have that for all  $\bar{\eta} \leq \eta'$ , and all  $T_n \subset G$ ,

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho_N \left( p \left( (1 + \bar{\eta}) \frac{kk_n}{k+k_n}(x + x_n)|_{T_n} \right) \right) \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho_N \left( ((1 + \bar{\eta})kx|_{T_n}) \right) + 4\varepsilon. \quad (13)$$

If  $k_n x_n - kx \xrightarrow{\mu} 0$  on  $G_b$ , then  $\frac{k k_n}{k + k_n}(x + x_n) - kx \xrightarrow{\mu} 0$  over  $G_b$ . From (9), for some  $\theta > 0, \sigma > 0$  and a right extreme point  $b$ ,

$$\mu H_n = \mu \left\{ t \in G_b : kx(t) = b, \frac{k k_n}{k + k_n}(x(t) + x_n(t)) \leq b - \theta \right\} \geq \sigma.$$

Take  $\eta'' \leq \eta'$  so that  $(1 + \eta'')(b - \theta) \leq b - \frac{\theta}{2}$ . From (13) and Lemma 5

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &\leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho_N \left( p \left( (1 + \eta'') \frac{k k_n}{k + k_n} (x + x_n) \right) \right) \\ &\leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \int_{G \setminus H_n} \rho_N \left( p \left( (1 + \eta'') kx(t) \right) \right) d\mu + N \left( p \left( b - \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \right) \mu H_n \right] + 4\varepsilon \\ &= \limsup_{\infty} \left[ \int_{G \setminus H_n} \rho_N \left( p \left( (1 + \eta'') kx(t) \right) \right) d\mu + (p(b)) \mu H_n \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \left( N(p(b)) - N(p_-(b)) \right) \mu H_n \right] + 4\varepsilon \\ &\leq \rho_N \left( p \left( (1 + \eta'') kx \right) \right) - \left( N(p(b)) - N(p_-(b)) \right) \sigma + 4\varepsilon \\ &\leq 1 - \left( N(p(b)) - N(p_-(b)) \right) \sigma + 5\varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\varepsilon$  is arbitrary, it leads to a contradiction, which show  $k_n x_n - kx \xrightarrow{\mu} 0$  on  $G_b$ .

**(III).**  $\rho_N(p_-(kx)) = 1$ .

In this case,  $v(t) = p_-(kx(t))$  is the unique supporting functional of  $x$  in  $L_N$ . We only need to show that  $k_n x_n - kx \xrightarrow{\mu} 0$  on  $G_a$ , then similar to (I), the proof is completed.

Since  $a$  is the left extreme point of an affine segment of  $M(u)$ , not right one, similarly to Lemma 6, we can deduce that

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} k_n x_n(t) \geq kx(t) \quad (t \in G_a, \mu - a.e.).$$

Thus

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k k_n}{k + k_n} (x(t) + x_n(t)) \geq kx(t), \quad (t \in G_a, \mu - a.e.). \quad (14)$$

For any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , take  $d > 0$  so that for all  $e \subset G$  with  $\mu e < d$ , then

$$\rho_N(p_-(kx|_e)) < \varepsilon. \quad (15)$$

Take  $\eta > 0$  so that  $\rho_N(p_-((1-\eta)kx))\rho_N(p_-(kx)) - \varepsilon = 1 - \varepsilon$ . Since  $k_n x_n - kx \xrightarrow{\mu} 0$  on  $E_0$ ,  $\frac{kk_n}{k+k_n}(x+x_n) - kx \xrightarrow{\mu} 0$  on  $E_0$ .

Choose  $F_0 \subset E_0$ ,  $\mu F_0 < d$  so that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{t \in E_0 \setminus F_0} \left[ \frac{kk_n}{k+k_n}(x(t) + x_n(t)) - kx(t) \right] = 0. \quad (16)$$

Take  $m$  so that  $\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^m E_i\right) < d$ , and  $h$  small enough, then

$$\mu \bigcup_{i=1}^m \{t \in E_i \setminus G_n : kx(t) < a_i + h\} < d.$$

Take  $\varepsilon' > 0$  small enough so that  $\frac{k}{k+k_n}(a_i - \varepsilon') + \frac{k_n}{k+k_n}(a_i + h) \geq a_i + \frac{h}{2}$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ ).

By Lemma 3, there is  $\delta > 0$  so that if  $f_n(t) < \delta$  and  $kx(t) \in E_i$ , then  $k_n x_n(t) \in [a_i - \varepsilon', b_i + \varepsilon']$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ ).

Since  $f_n(t) \xrightarrow{\mu} 0$ , for  $n$  large enough, we get that  $\mu F_n = \mu\{t \in G : f_n(t) \geq \delta\} < d$ . Denote  $E'_i = \{t \in E_i \setminus G_n : kx(t) \geq a_i + h\}$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ ). Then for  $n$  large enough,  $k_n x_n(t) \geq a_i + \varepsilon'$  whenever  $t \in \bigcup_{i=1}^m E'_i \setminus F_n$ .

Take  $\eta' \leq \eta$  so that  $(1 - \eta')\left(a_i + \frac{h}{2}\right) \geq a_i + \frac{h}{3}$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ ), then

$$(1 - \eta') \frac{kk_n}{k+k_n}(x(t) + x_n(t)) \geq a_i + \frac{h}{3}, \quad (t \in E'_i \setminus F_n). \quad (17)$$

Combining the nondecrease and left continuity of  $p_-(u)$ , from (14), (16) and (17), we deduce that for all  $\bar{\eta} \leq \eta'$ ,

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} N \left( p_- \left( (1 - \bar{\eta}) \frac{kk_n}{k+k_n}(x(t) + x_n(t)) \right) \right) \geq N \left( p_- \left( (1 - \bar{\eta}) kx(t) \right) \right) \left( t \in G_n \cup \left( E_0 \setminus F_0 \cup \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^m E'_i \setminus F_n \right) \right) \right).$$

Similarly to the above, from (15), we can show that for all  $T_n \subset G$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho_N \left( p_- \left( (1 - \bar{\eta}) \frac{kk_n}{k+k_n}(x + x_n)|_{T_n} \right) \right) \\ & \geq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho_N(p_-((1 - \bar{\eta})kx|_{T_n})) - 4\varepsilon. \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$



If suppose that  $k_n x_n - kx \xrightarrow{\mu} 0$  on  $G_a$ , then  $\frac{k k_n}{k + k_n}(x + x_n) - kx \xrightarrow{\mu} 0$  on  $G_a$ .

From (14), it follows that for some  $\theta > 0$ ,  $\sigma > 0$  and a left extreme point of an affine segment of  $M(u)$ ,

$$\mu H_n = \mu \left\{ t \in G_a : kx(t) = a, \frac{k k_n}{k + k_n}(x(t) + x_n(t)) \geq a + \theta \right\} \geq \sigma.$$

Take  $\eta'' \leq \eta'$  so that  $(1 - \eta'')(a + \theta) \geq a + \frac{\theta}{2}$ . From (18) and Lemma 5 we have

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &\geq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho_N \left( p_- \left( (1 - \eta'') \frac{k k_n}{k + k_n}(x + x_n) \right) \right) \\ &\geq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \int_{G \setminus H_n} N \left( p_- \left( (1 - \eta'') kx(t) \right) \right) d\mu + N \left( p_- \left( a + \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \right) \mu H_n \right] - 4\varepsilon \\ &\geq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \int_{G \setminus H_n} N \left( p_- \left( (1 - \eta'') kx(t) \right) \right) d\mu + N(p(a)) \mu H_n \right] - 4\varepsilon \\ &= \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \int_{G \setminus H_n} N \left( p_- \left( (1 - \eta'') kx(t) \right) \right) d\mu + N(p_-(a)) \mu H_n \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left( N(p(a)) - N(p_-(a)) \right) \mu H_n \right] - 4\varepsilon \\ &\geq \rho_N \left( p_- \left( (1 - \eta'') kx \right) \right) + \left( N(p(a)) - N(p_-(a)) \right) \sigma - 4\varepsilon \\ &> 1 - \left( N(p(a)) - N(p_-(a)) \right) \sigma - 5\varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

By the arbitrariness of  $\varepsilon$ , it leads a contradiction, which shows  $k_n x_n - kx \xrightarrow{\mu} 0$  on  $G_a$ .  $\square$

### Corollary

$L_M^\circ$  possesses a WM property if and only if  $M \in \Delta_2 \cap \nabla_2$  and all extreme points of the affine segments of  $M(u)$  are continuous points of  $p(u)$ .

*Proof. Sufficiency.* Let  $x \in S(L_M^\circ)$ .

First, (i) holds. Then by  $M \in \Delta_2 \cap \nabla_2$ , (ii) holds. Since there is not any extreme point of affine segment of  $M(u)$  which is not any continuous point of  $p(u)$ , it follows that  $\mu G_a = 0$  and  $\mu G_b = 0$ , thus (iii) and (iv) hold.

If (v) fails, then there exist  $1 = \|x_n\|^\circ = \frac{1}{k_n}(1 + \rho_M(k_n x_n)) \|x + x_n\|^\circ \rightarrow 2$ , and  $e_n \subset G$ ,  $\mu e_n \rightarrow 0$ , but  $\rho_M(k_n x_n|_{e_n}) \geq \sigma$  for some  $\sigma > 0$ .

For any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , since  $M \in \nabla_2$  and

$$\rho_M \left( \frac{kk_n}{k+k_n}(x+x_n) \right) \leq \frac{k}{k+k_n} \rho_M(kx) + \frac{k_n}{k+k_n} \rho_M(kx) = \bar{k}$$

for  $n$  large enough,

$$\rho_M \left( \frac{kk_n}{k+k_n}(x+x_n)|_{e_n} \right) \leq \rho_M \left( \frac{kk_n}{k+k_n}x_n|_{e_n} \right) + \varepsilon$$

and for some  $0 < \delta < 1$ , it holds

$$M \left( \frac{kk_n}{k+k_n}u \right) \leq (1-\delta) \frac{k}{k+k_n} M(k_n u).$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_M \left( \frac{kk_n}{k+k_n}(x+x_n)|_{e_n} \right) &\leq (1-\delta) \frac{k}{k+k_n} \rho_M(k_n x_n|_{e_n}) + \varepsilon \\ &\leq \frac{k}{k+k_n} \rho_M(k_n x_n|_{e_n}) - \frac{\delta\sigma}{1+\bar{k}} + \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

which leads to a contradiction:

$$\begin{aligned} 2 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x+x_n\|^\circ = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k+k_n}{kk_n} \left( 1 + \rho_M \left( \frac{kk_n}{k+k_n}(x+x_n) \right) \right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k+k_n}{kk_n} \left[ 1 + \rho_M \left( \frac{kk_n}{k+k_n}(x+x_n)|_{G \setminus e_n} \right) + \rho_M \left( \frac{kk_n}{k+k_n}(x+x_n)|_{e_n} \right) \right] \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k+k_n}{kk_n} \left[ 1 + \frac{k_n}{k+k_n} \rho_M(kx|_{G \setminus e_n}) + \frac{k}{k+k_n} \rho_M(k_n x_n|_{G \setminus e_n}) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{k}{k+k_n} \rho_M(k_n x_n|_{e_n}) - \frac{\delta\sigma}{1+\bar{k}} + 2\varepsilon \right] \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{k_n} (1 + \rho_M(k_n x_n)) + \frac{1}{k} (1 + \rho_M(kx)) - \frac{\delta\sigma}{1+\bar{k}} + 2\varepsilon \\ &= 2 - \frac{\delta\sigma}{1+\bar{k}} + 2\varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

The contradiction shows (v) holds. So  $x$  is a *WM* point.

**Necessity.** Clearly  $M \in \nabla_2$ . If  $M \in \bar{\Delta}_2$ , by [7], there is  $x \in S(L_M^\circ)$  with  $\rho_N(p(kx)) < 1$ , (ii) fails, which contradicts that  $x$  is a *WM* point.

If for some  $[a, b]$  with  $p_-(b) < p(b)$  and  $[a, b]$  is an affine segment of  $M(u)$ , then take disjoint subsets  $E, D \subset G$ ,  $a < c < b$  and  $d > 0$  such that

$$\frac{N(p(c)) + N(p(b))}{2} \mu E + N(p(d)) \mu D = 1.$$

Set

$$x = \frac{b|_E + d|_D}{k} \quad \text{where} \quad k = \|b|_E + c|_D\|^\circ.$$

Take disjoint  $A, B \subset E$  with  $\mu A = \mu B = \frac{1}{2} \mu E$ , set

$$v = p(b)|_A + p(c)|_B + p(d)|_D,$$

then  $\rho_N(v) = 1$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \geq \langle x, v \rangle &= \frac{1}{k} (bp(b)\mu A + bp(c)\mu B + dp(d)\mu D) \\ &= \frac{1}{k} \left( M(b)\mu E + \frac{N(p(c)) + N(p(b))}{2} \mu E + M(d)\mu D + N(p(d))\mu D \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{k} (1 + \rho_M(kx)) \geq \|x\|^\circ = 1 \end{aligned}$$

and  $k \in K(x)$ . But on the other hand,

$$\rho_N(p(kx)) = N(p(b))\mu E + N(p(d))\mu D > 1$$

and

$$N(p_-(b))\mu E + N(p(d))\mu D = N(p(c))\mu E + N(p(d))\mu D < 1$$

which shows that (iii) fails. So  $x$  is not a WM point, a contradiction.

Analogously, we can show that all  $a \in \{a\}$  of left extreme points of affine segments of  $M(u)$  are continuous points of  $p(u)$ .  $\square$

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