

Improved Bounds in the Scaled Enflo Type Inequality for Banach Spaces *

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Abstract: It is shown that if $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$ is a Banach space with Rademacher type $p \geq 1$ then for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ there exists an even integer $m \lesssim n^{2-1/p} \log n$ such that for every $f : \mathbb{Z}_m^n \rightarrow X$,

$$\mathbb{E}_{x,\varepsilon} \left[\left\| f \left(x + \frac{m\varepsilon}{2} \right) - f(x) \right\|_X^p \right] \lesssim_X m^p \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}_x \left[\|f(x + e_j) - f(x)\|_X^p \right],$$

where the expectation is with respect to uniformly chosen $x \in \mathbb{Z}_m^n$ and $\varepsilon \in \{-1, 1\}^n$. This improves a bounds of $m \lesssim n^{3-2/p}$ that was obtained in [7]. The proof is based on an augmentation of the “smoothing and approximation” scheme, which was implicit in [7].

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