

Γ -CONVERGENCE OF PAIRS OF DUAL FUNCTIONALS

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We consider a slightly modified notion of Γ -convergence of convex functionals in uniformly convex separable Banach spaces. More precisely, we follow the approach by V.V. Zhikov [1] and consider a uniformly convex separable Banach space X and its closed subspace V , and we say that a sequence $\{F_j\}$ Γ -converges to \tilde{F} if

$$\tilde{F}(x) = \inf \{ \liminf_{j \rightarrow \infty} F_j(x + v_j) \mid \{v_j\} \subset V, v_j \rightharpoonup 0 \text{ weakly as } j \rightarrow \infty \}. \quad (1)$$

We establish that under standard coercitivity and growth conditions the Γ -convergence of a sequence of convex functionals $\{F_j\}$ to \tilde{F} implies that the corresponding sequence of dual functionals $\{F_j^*\}$ converges in an analogous sense to the dual to \tilde{F} functional $(\tilde{F})^*$.

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