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LOCALLY FINITE BOREL MEASURES IN RADON SPACES

Abstract. For any locally finite Borel measure μ in a Radon space X we establish that the following properties are equivalent: (i) μ is semifinite; (ii) μ has a concassage; (iii) each atom of μ has finite μ -measure; (iv) μ is a Radon measure.

1. Introduction and preliminaries

Let X be a Hausdorff topological space. We shall denote by \mathcal{G} , \mathcal{K} and \mathcal{B} , respectively, the families of all open, compact and Borel subsets of X .

A Borel measure in X is a measure on \mathcal{B} . A Borel measure μ in X is called

- (a) *locally finite* if each $x \in X$ has an open neighborhood V_x such that $\mu(V_x) < +\infty$;
- (b) *semifinite* if $\mu(A) = \sup\{\mu(B) : A \supset B \in \mathcal{B}, \mu(B) < +\infty\}$ for each $A \in \mathcal{B}$;
- (c) *Radon* if it is locally finite and $\mu(A) = \sup\{\mu(K) : A \supset K \in \mathcal{K}\}$ for each $A \in \mathcal{B}$.

The space X is said to be a *Radon* (resp. *strongly Radon*) *space* if each finite (resp. locally finite) Borel measure μ in X is a Radon measure. For an extensive treatment of Radon measures and Radon spaces, we refer to [3].

The *support* of a Borel measure μ in X is the set of all $x \in X$ such that $\mu(U) > 0$ for each open neighborhood U of x . It is clear that the support S of a Borel measure μ in X is a closed subset of X .

Let μ be a Borel measure in X . A *concassage* of μ is a disjoint family \mathcal{D} of compact subsets of X such that

- (a) $\mu(G \cap D) > 0$ for each $G \in \mathcal{G}$ and each $D \in \mathcal{D}$ with $G \cap D \neq \emptyset$;
- (b) $\mu(A) = \sum_{D \in \mathcal{D}} \mu(A \cap D)$ for each $A \in \mathcal{B}$.

A set $A \in \mathcal{B}$ is called an *atom* of μ if $\mu(A) > 0$ and for each $B \in \mathcal{B}$ with $B \subset A$ either $\mu(B) = 0$ or $\mu(B) = \mu(A)$.

Let μ be a Radon measure in X . We shall recall three known facts:

- 1.1. μ is semifinite;

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- 1.2. μ has a concassage (see e. g. ([2], Proposition 12.10));
- 1.3. each atom of μ has finite μ -measure (see ([1], Theorem 1)).

In this paper we establish the converse propositions for locally finite Borel measures in Radon spaces, and we deduce that a Radon space X is a strongly Radon space if and only if each locally finite Borel measure μ in X satisfies any of the conditions 1.1, 1.2 or 1.3.

2. The results

THEOREM 1. *Let X be a Radon space and let μ be a locally finite Borel measure in X . The following properties are equivalent:*

- (i) μ is semifinite;
- (ii) μ has a concassage;
- (iii) each atom of μ has finite μ -measure;
- (iv) μ is a Radon measure.

Proof. It is clear that (ii) \implies (iii) and that (iv) \implies (i). We shall prove that (i) \implies (ii) and that (iii) \implies (iv).

(i) \implies (ii). By Zorn's lemma there is a maximal disjoint family \mathcal{D} of compact subsets of X which satisfies the first condition of definition of concassage. In four steps we shall prove that \mathcal{D} also satisfies the second condition.

Let $B \in \mathcal{B}$ with $\mu(B) < +\infty$ and $B \cap \cup \mathcal{D} = \emptyset$, and suppose that $\mu(B) > 0$. The measure ν defined by $\nu(A) = \mu(A \cap B)$ for each $A \in \mathcal{B}$ is a finite Borel measure in the Radon space X , hence it is a Radon measure in X . Therefore

$$\mu(B) = \nu(B) = \sup\{\nu(K) : B \supset K \in \mathcal{K}\} = \sup\{\mu(K) : B \supset K \in \mathcal{K}\}$$

and there is $K \in \mathcal{K}$ such that $K \subset B$ and $\mu(K) > 0$. The restriction μ_K of ν to the family $\{A \in \mathcal{B} : A \subset K\}$ is a Radon measure in K . Let S be the support of μ_K . Then S is a compact subset of X and $S \cap \cup \mathcal{D} = \emptyset$, and adding S to \mathcal{D} we obtain a contradiction to the maximality of \mathcal{D} . Thus $\mu(B) = 0$.

Let $K \in \mathcal{K}$. Since μ is locally finite, each $x \in X$ has a open neighborhood V_x with $\mu(V_x) < +\infty$ and a finite family $\{V_{x_1}, \dots, V_{x_n}\}$ of these neighborhoods is a cover of K . Then $G = \cup_{i=1}^n V_{x_i}$ is an open set such that $K \subset G$ and $\mu(G) < +\infty$. Since \mathcal{D} is a disjoint family, we have

$$\sum_{D \in \mathcal{D}} \mu(G \cap D) \leq \mu(G) < +\infty$$

hence the family

$$\mathcal{D}_0 = \{D \in \mathcal{D} : G \cap D \neq \emptyset\} = \{D \in \mathcal{D} : \mu(G \cap D) > 0\}$$

is countable. Since $(K \cap \cup \mathcal{D}_0) \cap (\cup \mathcal{D}) = \emptyset$, we have

$$\mu(K) = \mu(K \cap \cup \mathcal{D}_0) = \sum_{D \in \mathcal{D}_0} \mu(K \cap D) = \sum_{D \in \mathcal{D}} \mu(K \cap D).$$

Now, let $B \in \mathcal{B}$ with $\mu(B) < +\infty$. For each $K \in \mathcal{K}$ with $K \subset B$ we have

$$\mu(K) = \sum_{D \in \mathcal{D}} \mu(K \cap D) \leq \sum_{D \in \mathcal{D}} \mu(B \cap D)$$

and since the measure ν defined by $\nu(A) = \mu(A \cap B)$ for each $A \in \mathcal{B}$ is a Radon measure in X , as in the first etap we show that

$$\mu(B) = \sup\{\mu(K) : B \supset K \in \mathcal{K}\}$$

Consequently,

$$\mu(B) \leq \sum_{D \in \mathcal{D}} \mu(B \cap D)$$

Finally, let $A \in \mathcal{B}$. For each $B \in \mathcal{B}$ with $B \subset A$ and $\mu(B) < +\infty$ we have

$$\mu(B) \leq \sum_{D \in \mathcal{D}} \mu(B \cap D) \leq \sum_{D \in \mathcal{D}} \mu(A \cap D)$$

and since μ is semifinite,

$$\mu(A) = \sup\{\mu(B) : A \supset B \in \mathcal{B}, \mu(B) < +\infty\} \leq \sum_{D \in \mathcal{D}} \mu(A \cap D).$$

The reverse inequality is obvious because \mathcal{D} is a disjoint family.

(iii) \implies (iv). As above we show that

$$\mu(A) = \sup\{\mu(K) : A \supset K \in \mathcal{K}\}$$

for each $A \in \mathcal{B}$ with $\mu(A) < +\infty$. Let $A \in \mathcal{B}$ with $\mu(A) = +\infty$. It suffices to prove that

$$\sup\{\mu(B) : A \supset B \in \mathcal{B}, \mu(B) < +\infty\} = +\infty.$$

Proceeding towards a contradiction, let

$$\sup\{\mu(B) : A \supset B \in \mathcal{B}, \mu(B) < +\infty\} = \alpha < +\infty$$

and for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let $A_n \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $A_n \subset A$ and

$$\alpha - \frac{1}{n} < \mu(A_n) \leq \alpha.$$

With no loss of generality, we can suppose that $(A_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is an increasing sequence in \mathcal{B} . Then we have

$$\mu(\cup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n) = \alpha.$$

If $B \in \mathcal{B}$ is contained in $A \setminus \cup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n$, we have either $\mu(B) = +\infty$ or $\mu(B) = 0$. Then $A \setminus \cup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n$ is an atom of μ with infinite measure against (iii). \square

COROLLARY 1. *A Radon space X is a strongly Radon space if and only if each locally finite Borel measure μ in X satisfies any of the following conditions:*

- (i) μ is semifinite;
- (ii) μ has a concassage;
- (iii) each atom of μ has finite μ -measure.

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