

11. Complex Measures

In the following, (Ω, \mathcal{F}) denotes an arbitrary measurable space.

Definition 90 Let $(a_n)_{n \geq 1}$ be a sequence of complex numbers. We say that $(a_n)_{n \geq 1}$ has the **permutation property** if and only if, for all bijections $\sigma : \mathbf{N}^* \rightarrow \mathbf{N}^*$, the series $\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} a_{\sigma(k)}$ converges in \mathbf{C} ¹

EXERCISE 1. Let $(a_n)_{n \geq 1}$ be a sequence of complex numbers.

1. Show that if $(a_n)_{n \geq 1}$ has the permutation property, then the same is true of $(\operatorname{Re}(a_n))_{n \geq 1}$ and $(\operatorname{Im}(a_n))_{n \geq 1}$.
2. Suppose $a_n \in \mathbf{R}$ for all $n \geq 1$. Show that if $\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} a_k$ converges:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} |a_k| = +\infty \Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} a_k^+ = \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} a_k^- = +\infty$$

¹which excludes $\pm\infty$ as limit.

EXERCISE 2. Let $(a_n)_{n \geq 1}$ be a sequence in \mathbf{R} , such that the series $\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} a_k$ converges, and $\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} |a_k| = +\infty$. Let $A > 0$. We define:

$$N^+ \triangleq \{k \geq 1 : a_k \geq 0\} \quad , \quad N^- \triangleq \{k \geq 1 : a_k < 0\}$$

1. Show that N^+ and N^- are infinite.
2. Let $\phi^+ : \mathbf{N}^* \rightarrow N^+$ and $\phi^- : \mathbf{N}^* \rightarrow N^-$ be two bijections. Show the existence of $k_1 \geq 1$ such that:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{k_1} a_{\phi^+(k)} \geq A$$

3. Show the existence of an increasing sequence $(k_p)_{p \geq 1}$ such that:

$$\sum_{k=k_{p-1}+1}^{k_p} a_{\phi^+(k)} \geq A$$

for all $p \geq 1$, where $k_0 = 0$.

4. Consider the permutation $\sigma : \mathbf{N}^* \rightarrow \mathbf{N}^*$ defined informally by:

$$(\phi^-(1), \underbrace{\phi^+(1), \dots, \phi^+(k_1)}_{}, \phi^-(2), \underbrace{\phi^+(k_1 + 1), \dots, \phi^+(k_2)}_{}, \dots)$$

representing $(\sigma(1), \sigma(2), \dots)$. More specifically, define $k_0^* = 0$ and $k_p^* = k_p + p$ for all $p \geq 1$. For all $n \in \mathbf{N}^*$ and $p \geq 1$ with: ²

$$k_{p-1}^* < n \leq k_p^* \quad (1)$$

we define:

$$\sigma(n) = \begin{cases} \phi^-(p) & \text{if } n = k_{p-1}^* + 1 \\ \phi^+(n - p) & \text{if } n > k_{p-1}^* + 1 \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

Show that $\sigma : \mathbf{N}^* \rightarrow \mathbf{N}^*$ is indeed a bijection.

²Given an integer $n \geq 1$, there exists a unique $p \geq 1$ such that (1) holds.

5. Show that if $\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} a_{\sigma(k)}$ converges, there is $N \geq 1$, such that:

$$n \geq N, p \geq 1 \Rightarrow \left| \sum_{k=n+1}^{n+p} a_{\sigma(k)} \right| < A$$

6. Explain why $(a_n)_{n \geq 1}$ cannot have the permutation property.

7. Prove the following theorem:

Theorem 56 *Let $(a_n)_{n \geq 1}$ be a sequence of complex numbers such that for all bijections $\sigma : \mathbf{N}^* \rightarrow \mathbf{N}^*$, the series $\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} a_{\sigma(k)}$ converges. Then, the series $\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} a_k$ converges absolutely, i.e.*

$$\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} |a_k| < +\infty$$

Definition 91 Let (Ω, \mathcal{F}) be a measurable space and $E \in \mathcal{F}$. We call **measurable partition** of E , any sequence $(E_n)_{n \geq 1}$ of pairwise disjoint elements of \mathcal{F} , such that $E = \uplus_{n \geq 1} E_n$.

Definition 92 We call **complex measure** on a measurable space (Ω, \mathcal{F}) any map $\mu : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$, such that for all $E \in \mathcal{F}$ and $(E_n)_{n \geq 1}$ measurable partition of E , the series $\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \mu(E_n)$ converges to $\mu(E)$. The set of all complex measures on (Ω, \mathcal{F}) is denoted $M^1(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$.

Definition 93 We call **signed measure** on a measurable space (Ω, \mathcal{F}) , any complex measure on (Ω, \mathcal{F}) with values in \mathbf{R} .³

EXERCISE 3.

1. Show that a measure on (Ω, \mathcal{F}) may not be a complex measure.
2. Show that for all $\mu \in M^1(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$, $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$.

³In these tutorials, signed measure may not have values in $\{-\infty, +\infty\}$.

3. Show that a finite measure on (Ω, \mathcal{F}) is a complex measure with values in \mathbf{R}^+ , and conversely.
4. Let $\mu \in M^1(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$. Let $E \in \mathcal{F}$ and $(E_n)_{n \geq 1}$ be a measurable partition of E . Show that:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} |\mu(E_n)| < +\infty$$

5. Let μ be a measure on (Ω, \mathcal{F}) and $f \in L^1_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$. Define:

$$\forall E \in \mathcal{F}, \nu(E) \triangleq \int_E f d\mu$$

Show that ν is a complex measure on (Ω, \mathcal{F}) .

Definition 94 Let μ be a complex measure on a measurable space (Ω, \mathcal{F}) . We call **total variation** of μ , the map $|\mu| : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$, defined by:

$$\forall E \in \mathcal{F}, |\mu|(E) \triangleq \sup \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} |\mu(E_n)|$$

where the 'sup' is taken over all measurable partitions $(E_n)_{n \geq 1}$ of E .

EXERCISE 4. Let μ be a complex measure on (Ω, \mathcal{F}) .

1. Show that for all $E \in \mathcal{F}$, $|\mu(E)| \leq |\mu|(E)$.
2. Show that $|\mu|(\emptyset) = 0$.

EXERCISE 5. Let μ be a complex measure on (Ω, \mathcal{F}) . Let $E \in \mathcal{F}$ and $(E_n)_{n \geq 1}$ be a measurable partition of E .

1. Show that there exists $(t_n)_{n \geq 1}$ in \mathbf{R} , with $t_n < |\mu|(E_n)$ for all n .

2. Show that for all $n \geq 1$, there exists a measurable partition $(E_n^p)_{p \geq 1}$ of E_n such that:

$$t_n < \sum_{p=1}^{+\infty} |\mu(E_n^p)|$$

3. Show that $(E_n^p)_{n,p \geq 1}$ is a measurable partition of E .
4. Show that for all $N \geq 1$, we have $\sum_{n=1}^N t_n \leq |\mu|(E)$.
5. Show that for all $N \geq 1$, we have:

$$\sum_{n=1}^N |\mu|(E_n) \leq |\mu|(E)$$

6. Suppose that $(A_p)_{p \geq 1}$ is another arbitrary measurable partition

of E . Show that for all $p \geq 1$:

$$|\mu(A_p)| \leq \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} |\mu(A_p \cap E_n)|$$

7. Show that for all $n \geq 1$:

$$\sum_{p=1}^{+\infty} |\mu(A_p \cap E_n)| \leq |\mu|(E_n)$$

8. Show that:

$$\sum_{p=1}^{+\infty} |\mu(A_p)| \leq \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} |\mu|(E_n)$$

9. Show that $|\mu| : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$ is a measure on (Ω, \mathcal{F}) .

EXERCISE 6. Let $a, b \in \mathbf{R}, a < b$. Let $F \in C^1([a, b]; \mathbf{R})$, and define:

$$\forall x \in [a, b], H(x) \triangleq \int_a^x F'(t) dt$$

1. Show that $H \in C^1([a, b]; \mathbf{R})$ and $H' = F'$.

2. Show that:

$$F(b) - F(a) = \int_a^b F'(t) dt$$

3. Show that:

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi/2}^{+\pi/2} \cos \theta d\theta = \frac{1}{\pi}$$

4. Let $u \in \mathbf{R}^n$ and $\tau_u : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$ be the translation $\tau_u(x) = x + u$. Show that the Lebesgue measure dx on $(\mathbf{R}^n, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^n))$ is invariant by translation τ_u , i.e. $dx(\{\tau_u \in B\}) = dx(B)$ for all $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^n)$.

5. Show that for all $f \in L^1_{\mathbf{C}}(\mathbf{R}^n, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^n), dx)$, and $u \in \mathbf{R}^n$:

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f(x+u)dx = \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f(x)dx$$

6. Show that for all $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}$, we have:

$$\int_{-\pi}^{+\pi} \cos^+(\alpha - \theta)d\theta = \int_{-\pi-\alpha}^{+\pi-\alpha} \cos^+ \theta d\theta$$

7. Let $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}$ and $k \in \mathbf{Z}$ such that $k \leq \alpha/2\pi < k+1$. Show:

$$-\pi - \alpha \leq -2k\pi - \pi < \pi - \alpha \leq -2k\pi + \pi$$

8. Show that:

$$\int_{-\pi-\alpha}^{-2k\pi-\pi} \cos^+ \theta d\theta = \int_{\pi-\alpha}^{-2k\pi+\pi} \cos^+ \theta d\theta$$

9. Show that:

$$\int_{-\pi-\alpha}^{+\pi-\alpha} \cos^+ \theta d\theta = \int_{-2k\pi-\pi}^{-2k\pi+\pi} \cos^+ \theta d\theta = \int_{-\pi}^{+\pi} \cos^+ \theta d\theta$$

10. Show that for all $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}$:

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{+\pi} \cos^+(\alpha - \theta) d\theta = \frac{1}{\pi}$$

EXERCISE 7. Let z_1, \dots, z_N be N complex numbers. Let $\alpha_k \in \mathbf{R}$ be such that $z_k = |z_k|e^{i\alpha_k}$, for all $k = 1, \dots, N$. For all $\theta \in [-\pi, +\pi]$, we define $S(\theta) = \{k = 1, \dots, N : \cos(\alpha_k - \theta) > 0\}$.

1. Show that for all $\theta \in [-\pi, +\pi]$, we have:

$$\left| \sum_{k \in S(\theta)} z_k \right| = \left| \sum_{k \in S(\theta)} z_k e^{-i\theta} \right| \geq \sum_{k \in S(\theta)} |z_k| \cos(\alpha_k - \theta)$$

2. Define $\phi : [-\pi, +\pi] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ by $\phi(\theta) = \sum_{k=1}^N |z_k| \cos^+(\alpha_k - \theta)$. Show the existence of $\theta_0 \in [-\pi, +\pi]$ such that:

$$\phi(\theta_0) = \sup_{\theta \in [-\pi, +\pi]} \phi(\theta)$$

3. Show that:

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{+\pi} \phi(\theta) d\theta = \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{k=1}^N |z_k|$$

4. Conclude that:

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{k=1}^N |z_k| \leq \left| \sum_{k \in S(\theta_0)} z_k \right|$$

EXERCISE 8. Let $\mu \in M^1(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$. Suppose that $|\mu|(E) = +\infty$ for some $E \in \mathcal{F}$. Define $t = \pi(1 + |\mu|(E)) \in \mathbf{R}^+$.

1. Show that there is a measurable partition $(E_n)_{n \geq 1}$ of E , with:

$$t < \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} |\mu(E_n)|$$

2. Show the existence of $N \geq 1$ such that:

$$t < \sum_{n=1}^N |\mu(E_n)|$$

3. Show the existence of $S \subseteq \{1, \dots, N\}$ such that:

$$\sum_{n=1}^N |\mu(E_n)| \leq \pi \left| \sum_{n \in S} \mu(E_n) \right|$$

4. Show that $|\mu(A)| > t/\pi$, where $A = \uplus_{n \in S} E_n$.

5. Let $B = E \setminus A$. Show that $|\mu(B)| \geq |\mu(A)| - |\mu(E)|$.

6. Show that $E = A \uplus B$ with $|\mu(A)| > 1$ and $|\mu(B)| > 1$.
7. Show that $|\mu|(A) = +\infty$ or $|\mu|(B) = +\infty$.

EXERCISE 9. Let $\mu \in M^1(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$. Suppose that $|\mu|(\Omega) = +\infty$.

1. Show the existence of $A_1, B_1 \in \mathcal{F}$, such that $\Omega = A_1 \uplus B_1$, $|\mu(A_1)| > 1$ and $|\mu|(B_1) = +\infty$.
2. Show the existence of a sequence $(A_n)_{n \geq 1}$ of pairwise disjoint elements of \mathcal{F} , such that $|\mu(A_n)| > 1$ for all $n \geq 1$.
3. Show that the series $\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \mu(A_n)$ does not converge to $\mu(A)$ where $A = \uplus_{n=1}^{+\infty} A_n$.
4. Conclude that $|\mu|(\Omega) < +\infty$.

Theorem 57 *Let μ be a complex measure on a measurable space (Ω, \mathcal{F}) . Then, its total variation $|\mu|$ is a finite measure on (Ω, \mathcal{F}) .*

EXERCISE 10. Show that $M^1(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$ is a \mathbf{C} -vector space, with:

$$\begin{aligned}(\lambda + \mu)(E) &\stackrel{\Delta}{=} \lambda(E) + \mu(E) \\ (\alpha\lambda)(E) &\stackrel{\Delta}{=} \alpha.\lambda(E)\end{aligned}$$

where $\lambda, \mu \in M^1(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$, $\alpha \in \mathbf{C}$, and $E \in \mathcal{F}$.

Definition 95 *Let \mathcal{H} be a \mathbf{K} -vector space, where $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{R}$ or \mathbf{C} . We call **norm** on \mathcal{H} , any map $N : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^+$, with the following properties:*

- (i) $\forall x \in \mathcal{H}$, $(N(x) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = 0)$
- (ii) $\forall x \in \mathcal{H}, \forall \alpha \in \mathbf{K}$, $N(\alpha x) = |\alpha|N(x)$
- (iii) $\forall x, y \in \mathcal{H}$, $N(x + y) \leq N(x) + N(y)$

EXERCISE 11.

1. Explain why $\|\cdot\|_p$ may not be a norm on $L^p_{\mathbf{K}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$.
2. Show that $\|\cdot\| = \sqrt{\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle}$ is a norm, when $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is an inner-product.
3. Show that $\|\mu\| \triangleq |\mu|(\Omega)$ defines a norm on $M^1(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$.

EXERCISE 12. Let $\mu \in M^1(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$ be a signed measure. Show that:

$$\begin{aligned}\mu^+ &\triangleq \frac{1}{2}(|\mu| + \mu) \\ \mu^- &\triangleq \frac{1}{2}(|\mu| - \mu)\end{aligned}$$

are finite measures such that:

$$\mu = \mu^+ - \mu^- \quad , \quad |\mu| = \mu^+ + \mu^-$$

EXERCISE 13. Let $\mu \in M^1(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$ and $l : \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a linear map.

1. Show that l is continuous.
2. Show that $l \circ \mu$ is a signed measure on (Ω, \mathcal{F}) .⁴
3. Show that all $\mu \in M^1(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$ can be decomposed as:

$$\mu = \mu_1 - \mu_2 + i(\mu_3 - \mu_4)$$

where $\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3, \mu_4$ are finite measures.

⁴ $l \circ \mu$ refers strictly speaking to $l(\operatorname{Re}(\mu), \operatorname{Im}(\mu))$.