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## PERFECT MEASURES AND THE DUNFORD-PETTIS PROPERTY\*

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### Abstract

Let  $X$  be a completely regular Hausdorff space. We denote by  $C_b(X)$  the Banach space of all real-valued bounded continuous functions on  $X$  endowed with the supremum-norm.  $M_p(X)$  denotes the subspace of the  $(C_b(X), \|\cdot\|)'$  of all perfect measures on  $X$  and  $\beta_p$  denotes a topology on  $C_b(X)$  whose dual is  $M_p(X)$ .

In this paper we give a characterization of  $E$ -valued weakly compact operators which are  $\beta$ -continuous on  $C_b(X)$ , where  $E$  denotes a Banach space. We also prove that  $(C_b(X), \beta_p)$  has strict Dunford-Pettis property and, if  $X$  contains a  $\sigma$ -compact dense subset,  $(C_b(X), \beta_p)$  has Dunford-Pettis property.

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## 1. Perfect Measures

Let  $X$  be a completely regular Hausdorff space, and let  $C_b(X)$  denote the space of all bounded continuous real-valued functions on  $X$ ;  $M(X)$  denotes the dual of  $(C_b(X), \|\cdot\|)$  which is, by The Alexandroff Representation's Theorem, the space of all zero set regular, finitely additive set functions on the Baire Algebra  $Ba^*(X)$ . Basic references for the theory of measure on topological spaces are on [6]. A countable additive measure  $\mu$  on a measurable space  $(S, \mathcal{A})$  is said to be perfect, if for every  $\mathcal{A}$ -measurable function  $g : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , there is a Borel set  $B$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  such that  $B \subset g(S)$  and  $|\mu|(g^{-1}(B)) = |\mu|(S)$ . Our principal references about perfect measures are on [4]. If  $X$  is a completely regular space,  $M_p(X)$  denotes the space of all perfect measures defined on the  $\sigma$ -algebra  $Ba(X)$  of Baire sets. It is known  $M_\sigma(X) \supset M_p(X) \supset M_t(X)$  (for definitions of  $M_\sigma(X)$ , and  $M_t(X)$  see [6] and, if  $X$  is a separable metric space,  $M_p(X) = M_t(X)$  [4].

Perfect measures were first defined by Gnedenko and Kolmogorov in 1949. In 1975 Fremlin proved a very interesting result which reveals the usefulness of perfect measures on arbitrary measurable spaces Fremlin's theorem says that every sequence of measurable scalar functions on a finite perfect measurable space has either a subsequence that converges almost everywhere or it has no measurable pointwise cluster point.

Sentilles [5] defined three topologies on  $C_b(X)$ , so-called strict topologies, denoted by  $\beta_0$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\beta_1$  whose duals are  $M_t(X)$ ,  $M_\tau(X)$  and  $M_\sigma(X)$  respectively. Following this work, Koumoullis [4] defined another topology on  $C_b(X)$ , denoted by  $\beta_p$ , and showed that  $(C_b(X), \beta_p)' = M_p(X)$ . The definition of this strict topology is based on some special class of sets, the distinguishable sets of Frolik: a subset  $G$  of a completely regular space  $Y$  is distinguishable if there is a continuous function  $\varphi$  from  $Y$  onto a separable metric space such that  $G = \varphi^{-1}(\varphi(G))$ . We denote by  $\mathcal{D}(Y)$  the family of distinguishable set in  $Y$ .  $\mathcal{D}(Y)$  is a  $\varphi$ -algebra containing the  $\sigma$ -algebra of Baire sets. For every  $Q \subset \beta X - X$ , the spaces  $C_b(X)$  and  $C_b(\beta X - Q)$  are isomorphic since  $\beta(\beta X - Q) = \beta X$ . So the topology  $\beta_0$  on  $C_b(\beta X - Q)$ , which is defined as the finest locally convex topology agreeing with the compact-open topology on all norm bounded subsets, can be regarded as a topology on  $C_b(X)$  which is denoted by  $\beta_Q$ . It is defined the strict topology  $\beta_p$  by  $\beta_p = \text{Lin}\{\beta_G : G \in \mathcal{D}(X), G \subset \beta X - X\}$ . Since  $\beta_1 = \text{Lin}\{\beta_Z : Z \text{ in a zero set, } Z \subset \beta X - X\}$  and every zero set is distinguishable, we have  $\beta_1$  is finer than  $\beta_p$ .

The following results can be found in [4].

**Lemma 1.** If  $\mu \in M_\sigma^+(X)$ , then  $\mu$  is perfect if and only if for every continuous function  $f$  from  $X$  onto a separable metric space  $M$ ,  $f_*(\mu) \in M_t(M)$ , where  $f_*(\mu)(g) = \mu(g \circ f)$ .

**Theorem 2.** A subset  $H$  of  $M_p(X)$  is  $\beta_p$ -equicontinuous if and only if (a)  $H$  is bounded, and (b) for every continuous function  $f$  from  $X$  onto a separable

metric space  $M$  and every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a compact  $K, K \subset M$ , such that  $|\mu|(X - f^{-1}(K)) < \epsilon$  for all  $\mu \in H$ .

## 2. Perfects Measures and the Dunford-Pettis Property

We shall say that a Hausdorff locally convex space  $E$  has the Dunford-Pettis Property (resp. strict Dunford-Pettis Property) if for any Banach space  $F$  and every linear continuous weakly compact operator  $T : E \rightarrow F$ ,  $T(C)$  is relatively compact (resp.  $\{Tx_n\}$  is Cauchy) in  $F$  for any absolutely convex weakly compact subset  $C$  (resp. weak Cauchy sequence  $\{x_n\} \in E$ ).

Let  $T$  be a linear operator defined from  $C_b(X)$  into a Banach  $E$  which is norm-continuous' let  $m$  denote its associated measure. The following relations will be used:  $\|Tf\| = \sup\{|x' \circ T(f)| : \|x'\| \leq 1\}$ .

The first theorem of this work gives a characterization of the weakly compact operators defined on  $C_b(X)$  into a Banach space  $E$  which are  $\beta_p$ -continuous.

**Theorem 3:** Let  $T$  be a bounded linear weakly compact operator defined on  $C_b(X)$  into a Banach space  $E$ , and let  $m$  be its associated vector measure. The following statements are equivalent:

- a)  $T$  is  $\beta_p$ -continuous.
- b) For every continuous mapping  $g$  from  $X$  onto a separable metric space  $M$ , and for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a compact subset  $K_\epsilon$  of  $M$  such that  $\|m\|(X \setminus g^{-1}(K_\epsilon)) < \epsilon$ .

**Proof:**

- a)  $\Rightarrow$  b) Suppose  $T$  is  $\beta_p$ -continuous, this implies that the subset  $\{x' \circ m : \|x'\| \leq 1\}$  is  $\beta_p$ -equicontinuous; therefore, for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , and for every continuous map  $g$  from  $X$  onto a separable metric space  $M$ , there exists a compact subset  $K$  of  $M$  such that  $|x' \circ m|(X \setminus g^{-1}(K)) < \epsilon/2$ , for all  $x', \|x'\| \leq 1$  [4]. The statement follows from the fact that

$$\|m\|(X \setminus g^{-1}(K)) = \sup\{|x' \circ m|(X \setminus g^{-1}(K)) : \|x'\| \leq 1\}.$$

- b)  $\Rightarrow$  a) It is enough to prove  $H = \{x' \circ m : \|x'\| \leq 1\}$  is bounded, since  $\|m\|(X) < \infty$ . Also, by the fact  $|x' \circ m|(A) \geq \|m\|(A)$ , for all  $\|x'\| \leq 1$  and for all Baire subset  $A$  of  $X$ , and from  $X$  onto a separable metric space  $M$ , there exists a compact subset  $K$  of  $M$  such that  $|x' \circ m|(X \setminus g^{-1}(K)) < \epsilon$ , for all  $x', \|x'\| \leq 1$ . These two facts and Theorem 2 show  $H$  is  $\beta_p$ -equicontinuous. The statement follows from this since  $\|Tf\| = \sup\{|x' \circ T(f)| : \|x'\| \leq 1\}$  and  $\{|x' \circ T(f)| : \|x'\| \leq 1\}$  is  $\beta_p$ -equicontinuous.

**Theorem 4.**  $(C_b(X), \beta_p)$  has the strict Dunford-Pettis property.

**Proof:** Since  $\beta_p \geq \beta_1$ , a linear operator  $\beta_p$ -continuous  $T$  is also  $\beta_1$ -continuous.

Let  $T$  be a linear  $\beta_1$ -continuous operator of  $C_b(X)$  to  $E$  which is weakly compact, and let  $\{f_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a weakly Cauchy sequence in  $C_b(X)$ . Then  $\{f_n(x)\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is Cauchy in  $\mathbb{R}$  for each  $x \in X$ .

On the other hand, the associated vector measure  $m$  of  $T$  is  $\sigma$ -additive and then it admits a real-valued Baire control measure  $\mu$ , that is, given  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that for every Baire subset  $F$  of  $X$ ,  $\mu(F) < \delta$  implies  $\|m\|(F) < \epsilon$ .

Now, since  $\{f_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges pointwise in  $X$ , we have that, by Egoroff's Theorem, there exists a Baire subset  $F_\delta$  of  $X$  such that  $\{f_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges uniformly on  $X - F_\delta$  and  $\mu(F_\delta) < \delta$ .

Let  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for  $n, m \leq n_0$

$$\sup\{\|f_n(x) - f_m(x)\| : x \in X - F_\delta\} < \epsilon/(2M), \quad \text{where } M = \|m\|(X).$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \|Tf_n - Tf_m\| &\leq \left\| \int_{X-F_\delta} (f_n - f_m) dm \right\| + \left\| \int_{F_\delta} (f_n - f_m) dm \right\| \\ &\leq \sup\{\|f_n(x) - f_m(x)\| : x \in X - F_\delta\} \|m\|(X) + L \|m\|(F_\delta) < \epsilon, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\|f_n\| \leq L$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Theorem 5.** If  $X$  is  $\sigma$ -compact, then  $(C_b(X), \beta_p)$  has the Dunford-Pettis property.

**Proof:** Let  $\{K_n\}$  be an increasing sequence of compact subset of  $X$  whose union  $\cup K_n$  is dense in  $X$ . Denoting by  $B_n$  the closed unit ball of  $(C(K_n), \|\cdot\|)'$ , we get for any  $\mu \in B_n$ ,  $\tilde{\mu} \in M_p(X)$  defined by  $\tilde{\mu}(f) = \mu(f|_{K_n})$ . In fact, first of all observe that  $\tilde{\mu} \in M_\sigma(X)$  since if  $f_m \downarrow 0$ , then  $f_m \rightarrow 0$  uniformly on  $K_n$  (by Dini's Theorem) which implies  $\tilde{\mu}(f_m) = \mu(f_m|_{K_n}) \rightarrow 0$ . Let  $g$  be a continuous function from  $X$  onto a separable metric space  $M$ , and consider the induced map  $g_* : M_\sigma(X) \rightarrow M_\sigma(M)$ , defined by  $g_*(\mu)(B) = \mu(g^{-1}(B))$  for all Baire subset of  $M$ . In order to prove  $\tilde{\mu} \in M_p(X)$ , by Lemma 1, we have to show  $g_*(|\tilde{\mu}|) \in M_t(M)$ . Take a  $h_\alpha \rightarrow 0$  in the compact-open topology on the unit ball of  $C_b(M)$ , without loss of generality we assume  $h_\alpha \geq 0$ ,  $g_*(|\tilde{\mu}|)(h_\alpha) = |\tilde{\mu}|(h_\alpha \circ g) \leq |\mu|((h_\alpha \circ g)|_{K_n}) \rightarrow 0$  since  $h_\alpha \rightarrow 0$  uniformly on the compact subset  $g(K_n)$ , this says  $g_*(|\mu|) \in M_t(M)$ .

Putting  $\tilde{B}_n = \{\tilde{\mu} : \mu \in B_n\}$  and taking a net  $\{\tilde{\mu}_\beta\}$  such that  $\mu_\beta \rightarrow \mu \in B_n$  (note  $B_n$  is compact in weak\*-topology), i.e.  $\mu_\beta(f) \rightarrow$

$\mu(f), \forall f \in C(K_n)$ . This implies  $\tilde{\mu}_\beta(f) \rightarrow \tilde{\mu}(f) \quad \forall f \in C_b(X)$  and so  $\tilde{B}_n$  is compact in  $(M_p(X), \sigma(M_p(X), C_b(X)))$ .

The vector subspace  $B = \cup_{n,m \in \mathbf{N}} m\tilde{B}_n$  is dense in  $(M_p(X), \sigma(M_p(X), C_b(X)))$ , since if  $f \in C_b(X)$  and  $f \equiv 0$  on  $X$ . Therefore,  $(M_p(X), \sigma(M_p(X), C_b(X)))$  is  $\sigma$ -compact. The result now follows from the fact that  $(C_b(X), \beta_p)$  possesses the strict Dunford-Pettis property and Theorem 1 [3].

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