

An application of almost invariant sets and uniqueness property of invariant measures

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Abstract. It is shown that \mathbf{R}^ω can be represented as the union of two disjoint almost invariant sets.

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The main purpose of this paper is to consider some properties of almost invariant sets and their applications in the infinite-dimensional topological vector space.

Throughout this article, we use the following standard notation:

\mathbf{R} is the set of all real numbers;

ω is the first infinite cardinal number;

\mathbf{c} is the cardinality of the continuum (i.e., $\mathbf{c} = 2^\omega$);

$\text{dom}(\mu)$ is the domain of a given measure μ ;

μ' is the completion of a given measure μ ;

\mathbf{R}^ω is the space of all real-valued sequences;

$B(\mathbf{R}^\omega)$ is the σ -algebra of all Borel subsets in \mathbf{R}^ω .

Let E be a nonempty set, G be a group of transformations of E .

Let X be a subset of E . We say that X is almost G -invariant if, for each transformation $g \in G$ we have the inequality

$$\text{card}(g(X) \Delta X) < \text{card}(E),$$

where the symbol Δ denotes, as usual, the operation of the symmetric difference of two sets.

From the above definition of the almost G -invariant set, the following two assertions are true:

1. if a set X is almost G -invariant, then the set $E \setminus X$ is almost G -invariant, too;
2. if the sets X and Y are almost G -invariant, then the set $X \cup Y$ is almost G -invariant, too;

In particular, the family of all almost G -invariant sets forms an algebra of subsets of E .

Property of an almost invariant sets is frequently crucial in the process of investigation of many significant questions of the theory of invariant and quasi-invariant measures. For instance, some applications of such sets to the theory of invariant extensions of the Lebesgue measure on the n -dimensional Euclidean space \mathbf{R}^n are considered in the works [1], [2]. Namely, in the paper by Kakutani and Oxtoby [1], a certain method was developed, by means of which it is possible to construct a nonseparable \mathbf{R}^n -invariant extension of the lebesgue measure. This method is essentially based on some deep properties of almost invariant subsets of \mathbf{R}^n .

It is known that in infinite-dimensional vector spaces there are no analogies of the classical Lebesgue measure. In other words, the above-mentioned spaces do not admit nontrivial, σ -finite translation-invariant Borel measure. In this context notice that A. Kharazishvili constructed a normalized σ -finite metrically transitive Borel measure χ in \mathbf{R}^ω , which is invariant with respect to the everywhere dense vector subspace G of \mathbf{R}^ω , where

$$G = \{x : x \in \mathbf{R}^\omega, \text{card}\{i : i \in \omega : x_i \neq 0\} < \omega\}.$$

We put

$$A_n = \mathbf{R}_1 \times \mathbf{R}_2 \times \cdots \times \mathbf{R}_n \times \left(\prod_{i>n} \Delta_i \right),$$

where $n \in \mathbf{N}$ and

$$(\forall i)(i \in \mathbf{N} \Rightarrow \mathbf{R}_i = \mathbf{R} \wedge \Delta_i = [0, 1]).$$

For arbitrary natural number $i \in \mathbf{N}$, consider the Lebesgue measure μ_i defined on the space \mathbf{R}_i and satisfying the condition $\mu_i(\Delta_i) = 1$. Let us denote by λ_i the normed Lebesgue measure defined on the Δ_i . In other words, $\lambda_i(\Delta_i) = 1$.

For arbitrary $n \in \mathbf{N}$, let us denote by χ_n the measure defined by

$$\chi_n = \left(\prod_{1 \leq i \leq n} \mu_i \right) \times \left(\prod_{i>n} \lambda_i \right),$$

and by $\overline{\chi}_n$ the Borel measure In the space \mathbf{R}^ω defined by

$$\overline{\chi}_n = \chi_n(X \cap A_n), \quad X \in B(\mathbf{R}^\omega).$$

Lemma. For arbitrary Borel set $X \in B(\mathbf{R}^\omega)$ there exists a limit

$$\chi(X) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\chi}_n(X).$$

Moreover, the functional χ is a nonzero σ -finite measure on the Borel σ -algebra $B(\mathbf{R}^\omega)$, which is invariant with respect to the group generated by the everywhere dense vector subspace G and the central symmetry of \mathbf{R}^ω .

Let χ' denotes the completion of measure χ . In other words, χ' is the complete G -measure in \mathbf{R}^ω .

Let s_0 be the central symmetry of \mathbf{R}^ω with respect to the origin;

S_ω be the group generated by s_0 and G .

It is not hard to verify that the linear hull (over Q) of the set $\{e_\xi : \xi < \alpha\}$ coincide with \mathbf{R}^ω , where $\{e_\xi : \xi < \alpha\}$ is the Hamel basis in \mathbf{R}^ω .

For any $x \in \mathbf{R}^\omega$, we have a unique representation

$$x = \sum_{\xi < \alpha} q_\xi e_\xi,$$

where all q_ξ ($\xi < \alpha$) are rational numbers and

$$\text{card}(\{\xi < \alpha : q_\xi \neq 0\}) < \omega.$$

For each $x \in \mathbf{R}^\omega \setminus \{0\}$ denote by $\xi(x)$ the largest ordinal from the interval $[0, \alpha)$ satisfying the relation $q_{\xi(x)} \neq 0$ and define

$$A = \{x \in \mathbf{R}^\omega : q_{\xi(x)} > 0\},$$

$$B = \{x \in \mathbf{R}^\omega : q_{\xi(x)} < 0\}.$$

It is clear that

$$\mathbf{R}^\omega = A \cup B \cup \{0\}.$$

The following statement is valid.

Theorem 1. There exists a partition $\{A, B\}$ of \mathbf{R}^ω satisfying next three conditions:

(1) $(\forall F)(F \subset \mathbf{R}^\omega, F \text{ is a closed subset, } \chi'(F) > 0 \Rightarrow \text{card}(A \cap F) = \text{card}(B \cap F) = \mathfrak{c})$;

(2) $(\forall g)(g \in G \Rightarrow \text{card}(A \Delta g(A)) < \mathfrak{c}, \text{card}(B \Delta g(B)) < \mathfrak{c})$;

(3) $(\forall h)(h \in s_0 \Rightarrow h(B) = A \cup \{0\}, \text{ where } \{0\} \text{ is the neutral element of additive group } \mathbf{R}^\omega)$.

Analogous partitions of n -dimensional Euclidean spaces can be found in the works [3], [4], [5].

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