

## ON THE EXISTENCE OF A CONTROL MEASURE FOR STRONGLY BOUNDED VECTOR MEASURES

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In this note we extend a theorem of Bartle, Dunford, and Schwartz [1] which states that for every countably additive measure defined on a  $\sigma$ -algebra there exists a positive "control measure"  $\nu$  such that  $\nu(E) \rightarrow 0$  if and only if  $\|\mu\|(E) \rightarrow 0$ , where  $\|\mu\|$  is the semivariation of  $\mu$ . In this paper,  $\mu$ , which is defined on a ring  $\Sigma$ , is assumed to be finitely additive and strongly bounded ( $s$ -bounded) [8] (that is  $\mu(E_i) \rightarrow 0$  whenever  $\{E_i\}$  is a disjoint sequence of sets). The existing decomposition and extension theorems for vector measures can now be easily deduced by using the control measure. These applications will be presented in [2].

$\mathfrak{X}$  is a Banach space over the reals (the complex case is treated in a similar fashion);  $S^*$  is the unit sphere in the conjugate space of  $\mathfrak{X}$ .  $\sigma(\mathcal{E})$  denotes the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by the class of sets  $\mathcal{E}$ . A  $\delta$ -ring is a ring of sets closed under countable intersections.

**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $\Sigma$  be a ring of subsets of a set  $S$ .  $\mu: \Sigma \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}$  is finitely additive and  $s$ -bounded if and only if there exists a positive finitely additive bounded set function  $\nu$  defined on  $\Sigma$  such that*

$$\lim_{\nu(E) \rightarrow 0} \mu(E) = 0$$

and

$$\nu(E) \leq \sup\{\|\mu(F)\|: F \subseteq E, F \in \Sigma\}, \quad E \in \Sigma.$$

**SKETCH OF THE PROOF.** First assume  $\Sigma$  is an algebra. Let  $T$  be the isometric isomorphism of  $ba(S, \Sigma)$  onto  $ba(S_1, \Sigma_1)$ , where  $\Sigma_1$  is the Stone algebra of all open-closed subsets of the compact totally disconnected Hausdorff space  $S_1$  [4, IV.9].  $U$  is the isometric isomorphism between  $ba(S_1, \Sigma_1)$  and  $ca(S_1, \Sigma_2)$ , where  $\Sigma_2 = \sigma(\Sigma_1)$ .

We prove that  $\{(UT)(x^*\mu): x^* \in S^*\}$  is uniformly countably additive on  $\Sigma_2$ . It suffices to show that  $\{(UT)[(x^*\mu)^+]: x^* \in S^*\}$  is uniformly countably additive, where  $x^*\mu = (x^*\mu)^+ - (x^*\mu)^-$  is the Jordan

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