

An F. and M. Riesz theorem on locally compact transformation groups

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§ 1. Introduction.

Helson and Lowdenslager extended the classical F. and M. Riesz theorem as follows.

THEOREM A (cf. [12, 8.2.3. Theorem]). *Let G be a compact abelian group with ordered dual, i. e., there exists a semigroup P in \widehat{G} such that (i) $P \cup (-P) = \widehat{G}$ and (ii) $P \cap (-P) = \{0\}$. Let μ be a measure in $M(G)$ such that $\widehat{\mu}(\gamma) = 0$ for $\gamma < 0$. Then*

$$(I) \quad \widehat{\mu}_a(\gamma) = \widehat{\mu}_s(\gamma) = 0 \quad \text{for } \gamma < 0;$$

$$(II) \quad \widehat{\mu}_s(0) = 0.$$

Theorem A (I) was extended, by the author ([13]) and Hewitt-Koshi-Takahashi ([7]), to LCA groups as follows.

THEOREM B (cf. [13, Corollary], [7, Theorem D]). *Let G be a LCA group and P a semigroup in \widehat{G} such that $P \cup (-P) = \widehat{G}$. Let μ be a measure in $M_p(G)$, where $M_p(G) = \{\nu \in M(G) : \widehat{\nu} = 0 \text{ on } P^c\}$. Then μ_a and μ_s also belong to $M_p(G)$.*

In Theorem B we can not expect " $\widehat{\mu}_s(0) = 0$ " in general. As pointed out in the proof of [13, Corollary], Theorem B follows from the following theorem.

THEOREM C (cf. [13, Main Theorem]). *Let G be a LCA group and P a closed semigroup in \widehat{G} such that $P \cup (-P) = \widehat{G}$. Let μ be a measure in $M_{p^c}(G)$. Then μ_a and μ_s also belong to $M_{p^c}(G)$.*

On the other hand, Forelli obtained the following theorem ([5]).

THEOREM D (cf. [5, Theorem 5]). *Let (\mathbf{R}, X) be a (topological) transformation group, in which the reals \mathbf{R} acts on a locally compact Hausdorff space X . Let σ be a positive Radon measure on X that is quasi-invariant. Let $\mu \in M(X)$, and let $\mu = \mu_a + \mu_s$ be the Lebesgue decomposi-*

tion of μ with respect to σ . Suppose μ is an analytic measure, i. e., the spectrum of μ is in $[0, \infty)$. Then μ_a and μ_s are also analytic measures.

We need a comment on Theorem D. Analytic measures treated in [5, Theorem 5] are bounded complex Baire measures. But every bounded complex Baire measures on a locally compact Hausdorff space is uniquely extended to a bounded complex, regular Borel measure. Thus Theorem D follows from [5, Theorem 5].

Moreover the author extended Theorem A (I) to a compact transformation group as follows.

THEOREM E (cf. [15, Theorem 2.1]). *Let (G, X) be a transformation group, in which a compact abelian group G acts on a locally compact Hausdorff space X . Let P be a semigroup in \widehat{G} such that $P \cup (-P) = \widehat{G}$. Let σ be a positive Radon measure on X that is quasi-invariant. Let μ be a measure in $M(X)$, and let $\mu = \mu_a + \mu_s$ be the Lebesgue decomposition of μ with respect to σ . Suppose $sp(\mu) \subset P$. Then $sp(\mu_a)$ and $sp(\mu_s)$ are also contained in P .*

In this paper, we shall extend Theorems D and E to a transformation group, in which a locally compact abelian (LCA) group acts on a locally compact Hausdorff space. In section 2, we state definitions and our theorems. In section 3, we give some results on a compact transformation group, and we give the proofs of our theorems in section 4. We also show that Theorem C follows from our theorems in section 4 (Remark 4.2).

§ 2. Notations and results.

Let (G, X) be a (topological) transformation group, in which G is a LCA group and X is a locally compact Hausdorff space. Suppose that the action of G on X is given by $(g, x) \rightarrow g \cdot x$, where $g \in G$ and $x \in X$. Let $C_0(X)$ and $C_c(X)$ be the Banach space of continuous functions on X which vanish at infinity and the space of continuous functions on X with compact supports respectively. Let $M(X)$ be the Banach space of bounded regular Borel measures on X with the total variation norm. Let $M^+(X)$ be the set of nonnegative measures in $M(X)$. For $\mu \in M(X)$ and $f \in L^1(|\mu|)$, we often write $\mu(f) = \int_X f(x) d\mu(x)$. Let X' be another locally compact Hausdorff space, and let $S : X \rightarrow X'$ be a continuous map. For $\mu \in M(X)$, let $S(\mu) \in M(X')$ be the continuous image of μ under S . We denote by $\mathcal{B}(X)$ the σ -algebra of Borel sets in X . $\mathcal{B}_0(X)$ stands for the

σ -algebra of Baire sets in X . That is, $\mathcal{B}_0(X)$ is the σ -algebra generated by compact G_δ -sets in X . A (Borel) measure σ on X is called quasi-invariant if $|\sigma|(F)=0$ implies $|\sigma|(g \cdot F)=0$ for all $g \in G$.

Let \widehat{G} be the dual group of G . $M(G)$ and $L^1(G)$ denote the measure algebra and the group algebra respectively. For $\lambda \in M(G)$, $\widehat{\lambda}$ denotes the Fourier-Stieltjes transform of λ , i. e., $\widehat{\lambda}(\gamma) = \int_G (-x, \gamma) d\lambda(x)$. m_G stands for the Haar measure of G . Let $M_a(G)$ be the set of measures in $M(G)$ which are absolutely continuous with respect to m_G . Then by the Radon-Nikodym theorem we can identify $M_a(G)$ with $L^1(G)$. For a subset E of \widehat{G} , $M_E(G)$ denotes the space of measures in $M(G)$ whose Fourier-stieltjes transforms vanish off E . E^- denotes the closure of E . A closed subset E of \widehat{G} is called a Riesz set if $M_E(G) \subset L^1(G)$. For a closed subgroup H of G , H^\perp denotes the annihilator of H .

Let f be a Borel measurable function on X . Then

(2. 1) $(g, x) \rightarrow f(g \cdot x)$ is a Borel measurable function on $G \times X$. For $\lambda \in M(G)$ and $\mu \in M(X)$, we can define $\lambda * \mu \in M(X)$, by virtue of [4, (7. 23) Lemma and (7. 27) Theorem], as follows.

$$(2. 2) \quad \lambda * \mu(f) = \int_G \int_X f(g \cdot x) d\lambda(g) d\mu(x) = \int_G \int_X f(g \cdot x) d\mu(x) d\lambda(g)$$

for $f \in C_0(X)$.

REMARK 2. 1. (2. 2) holds for all bounded Borel functions f on X . For $\xi, \lambda \in M(G)$ and $\mu \in M(X)$, the following hold.

$$(2. 3) \quad \|\lambda * \mu\| \leq \|\lambda\| \|\mu\|,$$

$$(2. 4) \quad \xi * (\lambda * \mu) = (\xi * \lambda) * \mu.$$

For a closed subgroup H of G , let $J(\mu : H) = \{k \in L^1(H) : k * \mu = 0\}$.

Set $J(\mu) = \{h \in L^1(G) : h * \mu = 0\}$ ($= J(\mu : G)$). Then, by (2. 3) and (2. 4), $J(\mu : H)$ and $J(\mu)$ are closed ideals in $L^1(H)$ and $L^1(G)$ respectively.

DEFINITION 2. 1. For $\mu \in M(X)$, define the spectrum of μ by $\text{sp}(\mu) = \bigcap_{h \in J(\mu)} \widehat{h}^{-1}(0)$. For a closed subgroup H of G , we also define $\text{sp}_H(\mu)$ by $\bigcap_{k \in J(\mu : H)} \widehat{k}^{-1}(0)$.

For $\mu, \nu \in M(X)$, it follows from (2. 4) and the definition of spectrum that $\text{sp}(\mu + \nu) \subset \text{sp}(\mu) \cup \text{sp}(\nu)$ (cf. [5, Lemma 3]). Now we state our theorems.

THEOREM 2. 1. Let (G, X) be a transformation group, in which G is

a LCA group and X is a locally compact Hausdorff space. Let P be a closed semigroup in \widehat{G} such that $P \cup (-P) = \widehat{G}$. Let σ be a positive Radon measure on X that is quasi-invariant. Let $\mu \in M(X)$, and let $\mu = \mu_a + \mu_s$ be the Lebesgue decomposition of μ with respect to σ . Suppose $sp(\mu) \subset P$. Then both $sp(\mu_a)$ and $sp(\mu_s)$ are also contained in P .

THEOREM 2.2. Let (G, X) and σ be as in Theorem 2.1. Let P be a proper closed semigroup in \widehat{G} such that $P \cup (-P) = \widehat{G}$, and suppose that $P \cap (-P)$ is open. Let $\mu \in M(X)$, and suppose that $sp(\mu) \subset P \setminus (-P)$. Then both $sp(\mu_a)$ and $sp(\mu_s)$ are also contained in $P \setminus (-P)$.

Before closing this section, we state several lemmas which we shall need later on. The following lemma is well-known.

LEMMA 2.1. For $f \in C_0(X)$ and $g \in G$, define $f_g \in C_0(X)$ by $f_g(x) = f(g \cdot x)$. Then $\lim_{g \rightarrow 0} \|f - f_g\|_\infty = 0$.

LEMMA 2.2. Let $\mu \in M(X)$, and suppose that $k * \mu = 0$ for all $k \in L^1(G)$. Then $\mu = 0$.

PROOF. Suppose $\mu \neq 0$. Then there exists $f \in C_0(X)$ such that $\int_X f(x) d\mu(x) \neq 0$. For an open neighborhood V of 0 in G , let h_V be a non-negative function in $C_c(G)$ such that $\text{supp}(h_V) \subset V$ and $\|h_V\|_1 = 1$. It follows from Lemma 2.1 that

$$(1) \quad \lim_V \|h_V * f - f\|_\infty = 0,$$

where $h_V * f(x) = \int_G f((-g) \cdot x) h_V(g) dm_G(g)$. Set $h_V^*(g) = h_V(-g)$. Then, by the hypothesis, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_X h_V * f(x) d\mu(x) &= \int_X \int_G f((-g) \cdot x) h_V(g) dm_G(g) d\mu(x) \\ &= \int_X f(x) d(h_V^* * \mu)(x) \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

which together with (1) yields $\int_X f(x) d\mu(x) = 0$. This contradicts the choice of f , and the proof is complete.

LEMMA 2.3. Let $\lambda \in M(G)$ and $\mu \in M(X)$. Then $sp(\lambda * \mu) \subset \{\gamma \in \widehat{G} : \widehat{\lambda}(\gamma) \neq 0\}^-$.

PROOF. Suppose $\gamma_0 \notin \{\gamma \in \widehat{G} : \widehat{\lambda}(\gamma) \neq 0\}^-$. Let U be an open neighbor-

hood of γ_0 such that $U \cap \{\gamma \in \widehat{G} : \widehat{\lambda}(\gamma) \neq 0\}^- = \phi$. Let h be a function in $L^1(G)$ such that $\widehat{h}(\gamma_0) \neq 0$ and $\widehat{h} = 0$ on U^c . Then $h * \lambda = 0$, and so $h * (\lambda * \mu) = (h * \lambda) * \mu = 0$. Since $\widehat{h}(\gamma_0) \neq 0$, we have $\gamma_0 \notin \text{sp}(\lambda * \mu)$. This completes the proof.

We shall use the following lemma frequently.

LEMMA 2.4 (cf. [12, 7.2.5. (a)]). *Let G be a LCA group. Let $F \in L^1(G)$, and let I be a closed ideal in $L^1(G)$. Suppose that $\bigcap_{h \in I} \widehat{h}^{-1}(0)$ is in the interior of $\widehat{F}^{-1}(0)$. Then $F \in I$.*

LEMMA 2.5. *Suppose $G = H \oplus K$, where H and K are closed subgroups of G . Let E and F be closed subsets of \widehat{H} and \widehat{K} respectively. Let $\mu \in M(X)$, and suppose that $\text{sp}_H(\mu) \subset E$ and $\text{sp}_K(\mu) \subset F$. Then $\text{sp}(\mu) \subset E \times F$.*

PROOF. For $x \in X$, $s \in H$ and $t \in K$, denote $(s, 0) \cdot x$ and $(0, t) \cdot x$ by $s \cdot x$ and $t \cdot x$ respectively. Suppose $(\gamma, \omega) \notin E \times F$. Then $\gamma \notin E$ or $\omega \notin F$. We may assume that $\gamma \notin E$. Then there exist $h \in L^1(H)$ and $k \in L^1(K)$ such that

- (1) $\widehat{h}(\gamma) \neq 0$,
- (2) $\widehat{k}(\omega) \neq 0$, and
- (3) E is in the interior of $\widehat{h}^{-1}(0)$.

By (3) and the hypothesis, $\text{sp}_H(\mu)$ is in the interior of $\widehat{h}^{-1}(0)$. It follows from Lemma 2.4 that

- (4) $h \in J(\mu : H)$.

Define $F \in L^1(G)$ by $F(s, t) = h(s)k(t)$. For any $f \in C_0(X)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} F * \mu(f) &= \int_X \int_{H \oplus K} f((s, t) \cdot x) F(s, t) dm_{H \oplus K}(s, t) d\mu(x) \\ &= \int_K \int_X \int_H f_t(s \cdot x) h(s) dm_H(s) d\mu(x) k(t) dm_K(t) \\ &= \int_K \int_X f_t(x) d(h * \mu)(x) k(t) dm_K(t) \\ &= k * (h * \mu)(f) \\ &= 0, \end{aligned} \tag{by (4)}$$

where $f_t(x) = f(t \cdot x)$ ($t \in K, x \in X$). This shows that $F \in J(\mu)$. On the other hand, $\widehat{F}(\gamma, \omega) = \widehat{h}(\gamma) \widehat{k}(\omega) \neq 0$. Hence $(\gamma, \omega) \notin \text{sp}(\mu)$, and we have $\text{sp}(\mu) \subset E \times F$. This completes the proof.

§ 3. Some results on compact transformation groups.

In this section, let (G, X) be a transformation group, in which G is a compact abelian group and X is a locally compact Hausdorff space. For $\gamma \in \widehat{G}$ and $\mu \in M(X)$, we note that $\gamma \in \text{sp}(\mu)$ if and only if $\gamma * \mu \neq 0$ (cf. [14, Remark 1.1 (II.1)]). Let $\pi: X \rightarrow X/G$ be the canonical map. For $x \in X$, we define a continuous map $B_x: G \rightarrow G \cdot x (\subset X)$ by $B_x(g) = g \cdot x$. Set $G_x = \{g \in G: g \cdot x = x\}$. Then G_x is a closed subgroup of G . We define a map $\widetilde{B}_x: G/G_x \rightarrow G \cdot x$ by $\widetilde{B}_x(g + G_x) = g \cdot x$. Then \widetilde{B}_x is a homeomorphism.

DEFINITION 3.1. For $x \in X$, put $\dot{x} = \pi(x)$. Define $m_{\dot{x}} \in M^+(X)$ by $m_{\dot{x}} = B_x(m_G)$.

As noted in [14, Remark 1.2], $m_{\dot{x}}$ is well-defined because $B_y(m_G) = B_x(m_G)$ for every $y \in \pi^{-1}(\dot{x})$. We state two conditions (D. I) and (D. II).

(D. I) Let (G, X) be a transformation group, in which G is a metrizable compact abelian group and X is a locally compact Hausdorff space. For any $\mu \in M^+(X)$, put $\eta = \pi(\mu)$. Then there exists a family $\{\lambda_{\dot{x}}\}_{\dot{x} \in X/G}$ of measures in $M^+(X)$ with the following properties:

- (3.1) $\dot{x} \rightarrow \lambda_{\dot{x}}(f)$ is η -measurable for each bounded Baire function f on X ,
- (3.2) $\|\lambda_{\dot{x}}\| = 1$,
- (3.3) $\text{supp}(\lambda_{\dot{x}}) \subset \pi^{-1}(\dot{x})$,
- (3.4) $\mu(f) = \int_{X/G} \lambda_{\dot{x}}(f) d\eta(\dot{x})$ for each bounded Baire function f on X .

(D. II) Let (G, X) be as in (D. I). Let $\nu \in M^+(X/G)$. Suppose $\{\lambda_{\dot{x}}^1\}_{\dot{x} \in X/G}$ and $\{\lambda_{\dot{x}}^2\}_{\dot{x} \in X/G}$ are families of measures in $M(X)$ with the following properties:

- (3.5) $\dot{x} \rightarrow \lambda_{\dot{x}}^i(f)$ is ν -integrable for each bounded Baire function f on X ($i=1, 2$),
- (3.6) $\text{supp}(\lambda_{\dot{x}}^i) \subset \pi^{-1}(\dot{x})$ ($i=1, 2$),
- (3.7) $\int_{X/G} \lambda_{\dot{x}}^1(f) d\nu(\dot{x}) = \int_{X/G} \lambda_{\dot{x}}^2(f) d\nu(\dot{x})$ for each bounded Baire function f on X .

Then $\lambda_{\dot{x}}^1 = \lambda_{\dot{x}}^2$ ν -a.a. $\dot{x} \in X/G$.

Let $\mu \in M(X)$ and $\eta \in M^+(X/G)$. By an η -disintegration of μ , we mean a family $\{\lambda_{\dot{x}}\}_{\dot{x} \in X/G}$ of measures in $M(X)$ satisfying (3.1) $\dot{x} \rightarrow \lambda_{\dot{x}}(f)$

is η -integrable for each bounded Baire function f on X and (3. 3)-(3. 4) in (D. I). If, in addition, $\eta = \pi(|\mu|)$ and $\|\lambda_x^1\| = 1$ for all $x \in X/G$, then we call $\{\lambda_x\}_{x \in X/G}$ a canonical disintegration of μ . Thus condition (D. I) says that each $\mu \in M^+(X)$ has a canonical disintegration $\{\lambda_x\}_{x \in X/G}$ with $\lambda_x \in M^+(X)$.

REMARK 3.1. Let (G, X) be a transformation group, in which G is a metrizable compact abelian group and X is a locally compact metric space. Then (G, X) satisfies conditions (D. I) and (D. II) (cf. [14, Remark 6. 1]).

LEMMA 3.1. Let (G, X) be a transformation group, in which G is a metrizable compact abelian group and X is a locally compact Hausdorff space. Suppose (G, X) satisfies conditions (D. I) and (D. II). Let P be a semigroup in \hat{G} such that (i) $P \cup (-P) = \hat{G}$ and (ii) $P \cap (-P) = \{0\}$. Let σ be a positive Radon measure on X that is quasi-invariant. Let ν be a measure in $M(X)$ such that $sp(\nu) \subset P$ and $\nu \perp \sigma$. Then $m_G * \nu \perp \sigma$.

PROOF. Since ν is bounded and regular, we may assume that $\sigma \in M^+(X)$ (cf. [14, the proof of Theorem 1.1, p. 311]). Put $\eta = \pi(|\nu|)$. By (D. I), $|\nu|$ has a canonical disintegration $\{\lambda_x\}_{x \in X/G}$ with $\lambda_x \in M^+(X)$. Let $\eta = \eta_a + \eta_s$ be the Lebesgue decomposition of η with respect to $\pi(\sigma)$. We define $\omega_1, \omega_2 \in M^+(X)$ as follows:

$$(1) \quad \begin{aligned} \omega_1(f) &= \int_{X/G} \lambda_x(f) d\eta_a(x), \\ \omega_2(f) &= \int_{X/G} \lambda_x(f) d\eta_s(x) \end{aligned}$$

for $f \in C_0(X)$. We note that (1) holds for all bounded Baire functions f on X . It is easy to verify that

$$(2) \quad |\nu| = \omega_1 + \omega_2, \text{ and}$$

$$(3) \quad \pi(\omega_2) \perp \pi(\sigma).$$

It follows from (2) and the hypothesis that $\omega_1 \perp \sigma$. Hence, by [14, Lemma 2.5 (II)], we have

$$(4) \quad \lambda_x \perp m_x \eta_a - \text{a.a. } x \in X/G.$$

Let h be a unimodular Baire function on X such that $\nu = h|\nu|$, and define measures $\nu_1, \nu_2 \in M(X)$ as follows:

$$(5) \quad \nu_1(f) = \int_{X/G} \nu_x(f) d\eta_a(x),$$

$$\nu_2(f) = \int_{X/G} \nu_{\dot{x}}(f) d\eta_s(\dot{x})$$

for $f \in C_0(X)$, where $\nu_{\dot{x}} = h\lambda_{\dot{x}}$. Then

$$(6) \quad \nu = \nu_1 + \nu_2.$$

We note that $\{\nu_{\dot{x}}\}_{\dot{x} \in X/G}$ is a canonical disintegration of ν . Since $\text{sp}(\nu) \subset P$, it follows from [14, Lemma 2.6] that

$$(7) \quad \text{sp}(\nu_{\dot{x}}) \subset P \quad \eta\text{-a.a. } \dot{x} \in X/G;$$

hence

$$(8) \quad \text{sp}(\nu_{\dot{x}}) \subset P \quad \eta_a\text{-a. a. } \dot{x} \in X/G.$$

Since $\text{supp}(\nu_{\dot{x}}) \subset \pi^{-1}(\dot{x})$ and $\tilde{B}_x: G/G_x \rightarrow G \cdot x (= \pi^{-1}(\dot{x}))$ is a homeomorphism, there exists a measure $\xi_{\dot{x}} \in M(G/G_x)$ such that $\tilde{B}_x(\xi_{\dot{x}}) = \nu_{\dot{x}}$, where $x \in \pi^{-1}(\dot{x})$. By (8) and [14, Proposition 1.2], we have

$$(9) \quad \xi_{\dot{x}} \in M_{P \cap G_x^{\perp}}(G/G_x) \quad \eta_a\text{-a.a. } \dot{x} \in X/G.$$

It follows from (4) and [14, Proposition 1.5] that

$$(10) \quad \xi_{\dot{x}} \perp m_{G/G_x} \quad \eta_a\text{-a.a. } \dot{x} \in X/G.$$

Hence we have, by (9), (10) and Theorem A (II),

$$(11) \quad \xi_{\dot{x}} \in M_{(P \setminus \{0\}) \cap G_x^{\perp}}(G/G_x) \quad \eta_a\text{-a.a. } \dot{x} \in X/G,$$

which yields

$$(12) \quad \text{sp}(\nu_{\dot{x}}) \subset P \setminus \{0\} \quad \eta_a\text{-a.a. } \dot{x} \in X/G$$

by [14, Proposition 1.2]. Hence

$$m_G^* \nu_{\dot{x}} = 0 \quad \eta_a\text{-a.a. } \dot{x} \in X/G,$$

which together with [14, Lemma 2.3] yields

$$m_G^* \nu_1(f) = \int_{X/G} m_G^* \nu_{\dot{x}}(f) d\eta_a(\dot{x}) = 0$$

for all $f \in C_0(X)$. This shows that

$$(13) \quad m_G^* \nu_1 = 0.$$

On the other hand, it is easy to verify that

$$(14) \quad \pi(m_G^* \omega_2) = \pi(\omega_2).$$

(3) and (14) imply that $m_G^* \omega_2 \perp \sigma$, and so $m_G^* \nu_2 \perp \sigma$ because $m_G^* \nu_2 <<$

$m_G * \omega_2$. By (6) and (13), we have $m_G * \nu = m_G * \nu_2$. Hence we get $m_G * \nu \perp \sigma$, and the proof is complete.

LEMMA 3.2. *Let (G, X) be a transformation group, in which G is a compact abelian group and X is a locally compact metric space. Then the conclusion of Lemma 3.1 holds.*

PROOF. Let ν be a measure in $M(X)$ such that $\text{sp}(\nu) \subset P$ and $\nu \perp \sigma$. Since ν is bounded and regular, we may assume that X is σ -compact and $\sigma \in M^+(X)$. Suppose $m_G * \nu$ and σ are not mutually singular. Let $m_G * \nu = \omega + \zeta$ be the Lebesgue decomposition of $m_G * \nu$ with respect to σ , where $\omega \ll \sigma$ and $\zeta \perp \sigma$. Then $\omega \neq 0$. By [14, Lemmas 2.11 and 2.13], there exists a countable subgroup Γ of \hat{G} such that

- (1) $\pi_H(\omega) \neq 0$,
- (2) $\pi_H(|\nu|) \perp \pi_H(\sigma)$, and
- (3) $\pi_H(|\zeta|) \perp \pi_H(\sigma)$,

where $H = \Gamma^\perp$ and $\pi_H: X \rightarrow X/H$ is the canonical map. Let $(G/H, X/H)$ be the transformation group induced by (G, X) . By [14, Lemma 2.9], $\pi_H(m_G * \nu) = m_{G/H} * \pi_H(\nu)$. Since $\pi_H(\omega) \ll \pi_H(\sigma)$, it follows from (3) that $m_{G/H} * \pi_H(\nu) = \pi_H(\omega) + \pi_H(\zeta)$ is the Lebesgue decomposition of $m_{G/H} * \pi_H(\nu)$ with respect to $\pi_H(\sigma)$. Since σ is quasi-invariant, $\pi_H(\sigma)$ is quasi-invariant. By [14, Lemma 2.10], we have $\text{sp}(\pi_H(\nu)) \subset P \cap \Gamma$. Since G/H and X/H are metrizable, it follows from Remark 3.1 that $(G/H, X/H)$ satisfies conditions (D.I) and (D.II). Hence, by (2) and Lemma 3.1, we have $m_{G/H} * \pi_H(\nu) \perp \pi_H(\sigma)$, which yields $\pi_H(\omega) = 0$. This contradicts (1), and the proof is complete.

PROPOSITION 3.1. *Let (G, X) be a transformation group, in which G is a compact abelian group and X is a locally compact Hausdorff space. Let P be a semigroup in \hat{G} such that (i) $P \cup (-P) = \hat{G}$ and (ii) $P \cap (-P) = \{0\}$. Let σ be a positive Radon measure on X that is quasi-invariant. Let ν be a measure in $M(X)$ such that $\text{sp}(\nu) \subset P$ and $\nu \perp \sigma$. Then $m_G * \nu \perp \sigma$.*

PROOF. Since ν is bounded and regular, we may assume that X is σ -compact and $\sigma \in M^+(X)$. Suppose that $m_G * \nu$ and σ are not mutually singular. Let $m_G * \nu = \omega + \zeta$ be the Lebesgue decomposition of $m_G * \nu$ with respect to σ , where $\omega \ll \sigma$ and $\zeta \perp \sigma$. Then $\omega \neq 0$. By [15, Lemma 3.1], there exists an equivalence relation " \sim " on X with the following properties:

- (1) X/\sim is a σ -compact metrizable, locally compact Hausdorff space with respect to the quotient topology ;
- (2) $(G, X/\sim)$ becomes a transformation group by the action $g \cdot \tau(x) = \tau(g \cdot x)$ for $g \in G$ and $x \in X$, where $\tau : X \rightarrow X/\sim$ is the canonical map ;
- (3) $\tau(\omega) \neq 0$;
- (4) $\tau(|\nu| + |\zeta|) \perp \tau(\sigma)$.

By [15, Lemma 2.1], $\tau(\sigma)$ is quasi-invariant. By (4), $\tau(\nu)$ and $\tau(\sigma)$ are mutually singular. It follows from [15, Lemma 2.2] that $\text{sp}(\tau(\nu)) \subset \text{sp}(\nu) \subset P$. Hence, by (1) and Lemma 3.2, we have $m_G \tau(\nu) \perp \tau(\sigma)$. On the other hand, $m_G \tau(\nu) = \tau(m_G \nu) = \tau(\omega) + \tau(\zeta)$. And (3)-(4) implies that $0 \neq \tau(\omega) \ll \tau(\sigma)$ and $\tau(\zeta) \perp \tau(\sigma)$. Thus we have a contradiction. This completes the proof.

PROPOSITION 3.2. *Let (G, X) , P and σ be as in the previous proposition. Let μ be a measure in $M(X)$ such that $\text{sp}(\mu) \subset P \setminus \{0\}$. Let $\mu = \mu_a + \mu_s$ be the Lebesgue decomposition of μ with respect to σ . Then both $\text{sp}(\mu_a)$ and $\text{sp}(\mu_s)$ are also contained in $P \setminus \{0\}$.*

PROOF. We may assume that $\sigma \in M^+(X)$. It suffices to prove that $\text{sp}(\mu_s) \subset P \setminus \{0\}$ because of [14, Remark 1.1 (II)]. Suppose $\text{sp}(\mu_s) \not\subset P \setminus \{0\}$. Since $\text{sp}(\mu) \subset P$, it follows from [15, Theorem 2.1] that $\text{sp}(\mu_s) \subset P$; hence $0 \in \text{sp}(\mu_s)$. Thus $m_G \mu_s \neq 0$. Since $0 = m_G \mu = m_G \mu_a + m_G \mu_s$, it follows from [14, Lemma 1.1] that

$$0 \neq m_G \mu_s = -m_G \mu_a \ll m_G \sigma \ll \sigma.$$

This contradicts Proposition 3.1, and the proof is complete.

§ 4. Proofs of Theorems 2.1 and 2.2.

In this section we prove Theorems 2.1 and 2.2. Let (G, X) be a transformation group, in which G is a LCA group and X is a locally compact Hausdorff space. Suppose \widehat{G} is ordered, i.e., there exists a closed semigroup P in \widehat{G} such that (i) $P \cup (-P) = \widehat{G}$ and (ii) $P \cap (-P) = \{0\}$ (cf. [12, 8.1]). If G is noncompact and not isomorphic with \mathbf{R} , G is isomorphic with $\mathbf{R} \oplus H$ and $P = \{(x, d) \in \mathbf{R} \oplus \widehat{H} : d > 0, \text{ or } d = 0 \text{ and } x \geq 0\}$, where H is a compact connected subgroup of G (cf. [12, 8.1.5. Theorem and 8.1.6. Theorem]).

LEMMA 4.1. *Suppose \widehat{G} is ordered and G is isomorphic with $\mathbf{R} \oplus H$, where H is a compact connected abelian group. Let P be the closed semigroup in \widehat{G} which induces an order on \widehat{G} , and set $P_H = \{d \in \widehat{H} : d \geq 0\}$. Let $\mu \in M(X)$, and suppose $\text{sp}(\mu) \subset P$. Then $\text{sp}_H(\mu - m_H \mu) \subset P_H \setminus \{0\}$.*

PROOF. Evidently $P \subset \mathbf{R} \times P_H$.

Step 1. $\text{sp}_H(\mu) \subset P_H$.

Suppose $d \in \widehat{H} \setminus P_H$. For any $\omega \in L^1(\mathbf{R})$, define $F_\omega \in L^1(\mathbf{R} \oplus H)$ by $F_\omega(s, t) = \omega(s) \chi(t, d)$. Then $\text{sp}(\mu)$ is in the interior of $\widehat{F}_\omega^{-1}(0)$. It follows from Lemma 2.4 that $F_\omega * \mu = 0$. For any $f \in C_0(X)$, put $f_s(x) = f(s \cdot x)$ ($s \in \mathbf{R}, x \in X$). Then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= F_\omega * \mu(f) = \int_X \int_{\mathbf{R} \oplus H} f((s, t) \cdot x) F_\omega(s, t) dm_{\mathbf{R} \oplus H}(s, t) d\mu(x) \\ (1) \quad &= \int_{\mathbf{R}} \int_X \int_H f_s(t \cdot x) \chi(t, d) dm_H(t) d\mu(x) \omega(s) ds \\ &= \int_{\mathbf{R}} (dm_H)^* \mu(f_s) \omega(s) ds. \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 2.1, $s \rightarrow (dm_H)^* \mu(f_s)$ is a bounded continuous function on \mathbf{R} . By (1), we have

$$(dm_H)^* \mu(f_s) = 0 \quad \text{a.a. } s \in \mathbf{R};$$

hence

$$(dm_H)^* \mu(f) = 0 \quad \text{for all } f \in C_0(X).$$

Hence $(dm_H)^* \mu = 0$, and so $d \notin \text{sp}_H(\mu)$. This shows that Step 1 holds.

Step 2. $0 \notin \text{sp}_H(\mu - m_H * \mu)$.

We note that $m_H * (\mu - m_H * \mu) = m_H * \mu - (m_H * m_H)^* \mu = 0$. Since $\widehat{m}_H(0) = 1$, we have $0 \notin \text{sp}_H(\mu - m_H * \mu)$. Thus Step 2 is obtained.

Since $J(\mu : H) \subset J(m_H * \mu : H)$, we have $\text{sp}_H(m_H * \mu) \subset \text{sp}_H(\mu)$. Hence, by Steps 1 and 2, we have $\text{sp}_H(\mu - m_H * \mu) \subset P_H \setminus \{0\}$. This completes the proof.

THEOREM 4.1. *Let (G, X) be a transformation group, in which G is a LCA group and X is a locally compact Hausdorff space. Suppose there exists a closed semigroup in \widehat{G} such that (i) $P \cup (-P) = \widehat{G}$ and (ii) $P \cap (-P) = \{0\}$. Let σ be a positive Radon measure on X that is quasi-invariant. Let $\mu \in M(X)$, and let $\mu = \mu_a + \mu_s$ be the Lebesgue decomposition of μ with respect to σ . Suppose $\text{sp}(\mu) \subset P$. Then both $\text{sp}(\mu_a)$ and $\text{sp}(\mu_s)$ are also contained in P .*

PROOF. By [12, 8.1.5. Theorem], we have

$$(a) \quad G \cong \mathbf{R}, \quad (b) \quad G \text{ is compact, or } (c) \quad G \cong \mathbf{R} \oplus H,$$

where H is a compact connected subgroup of G .

Case 1. $G \cong \mathbf{R}$.

In this case, the theorem follows from Theorem D.

Case 2. G is compact.

In this case, the theorem follows from Theorem E.

Case 3. $G \cong \mathbf{R} \oplus H$, where H is a compact connected subgroup of G .

As seen at the beginning of this section, we have $P = \{(x, d) \in \mathbf{R} \oplus \widehat{H} : d > 0, \text{ or } d = 0 \text{ and } x \geq 0\}$. Put $P_H = \{d \in \widehat{H} : d \geq 0\}$. Set

$$(1) \quad \mu = (\mu - m_H * \mu) + m_H * \mu.$$

By Lemma 4.1, $\text{sp}_H(\mu - m_H * \mu) \subset P_H \setminus \{0\}$. Hence Proposition 3.2 implies that

$$(2) \quad \text{sp}_H((\mu - m_H * \mu)_a), \text{sp}_H((\mu - m_H * \mu)_s) \subset P_H \setminus \{0\}.$$

Since $\mathbf{R} \times (P_H \setminus \{0\}) \subset P$, it follows from (2) and Lemma 2.5 that

$$(3) \quad \text{sp}((\mu - m_H * \mu)_a), \text{sp}((\mu - m_H * \mu)_s) \subset P.$$

Claim. $\text{sp}_{\mathbf{R}}(m_H * \mu) \subset \mathbf{R}^+$, where \mathbf{R}^+ is the nonnegative real numbers. For any $x_0 \in \mathbf{R} \setminus \mathbf{R}^+$, there exists a function k in $L^1(\mathbf{R})$ such that $\widehat{k}(x_0) \neq 0$ and \mathbf{R}^+ is in the interior of $\{x \in \mathbf{R} : \widehat{k}(x) = 0\}$. Define $F \in L^1(\mathbf{R} \oplus H)$ by $F(s, t) = k(s)$. Then $\text{sp}(\mu)$ is in the interior of $\widehat{F}^{-1}(0)$. It follows from Lemma 2.4 that

$$(4) \quad F * \mu = 0.$$

We note that $k * (m_H * \mu) = F * \mu$ (see the proof of Lemma 2.5). Hence (4) yields $k * (m_H * \mu) = 0$. Since $\widehat{k}(x_0) \neq 0$, x_0 does not belong to $\text{sp}_{\mathbf{R}}(m_H * \mu)$. This shows that the claim holds.

By Claim and Theorem D, we have

$$(5) \quad \text{sp}_{\mathbf{R}}((m_H * \mu)_a), \text{sp}_{\mathbf{R}}((m_H * \mu)_s) \subset \mathbf{R}^+.$$

By Lemma 2.3, we have $\text{sp}_H(m_H * \mu) \subset \{0\}$, and $\{0\}$ is a Riesz set in \widehat{H} . Hence, by [15, Theorem 2.4], we have

$$(6) \quad \text{sp}_H((m_H * \mu)_a), \text{sp}_H((m_H * \mu)_s) \subset \{0\},$$

which together with (5) and Lemma 2.5 yields

$$(7) \quad \text{sp}((m_H * \mu)_a), \text{sp}((m_H * \mu)_s) \subset \mathbf{R}^+ \times \{0\} \subset P.$$

It follows from (1), (3) and (7) that $\text{sp}(\mu_a) \subset P$ and $\text{sp}(\mu_s) \subset P$. This completes the proof.

We return to the general case. For $\mu \in M(X)$, set $J_{M(G)}(\mu) = \{\lambda \in M(G) : \lambda * \mu = 0\}$.

DEFINITION 4.1. For $\mu \in M(X)$, define $\text{sp}_{M(G)}(\mu)$ by $\bigcap_{\lambda \in J_{M(G)}(\mu)} \mu^{\widehat{\lambda}^{-1}(0)}$.

LEMMA 4.2. For $\mu \in M(X)$, we have $\text{sp}(\mu) = \text{sp}_{M(G)}(\mu)$.

PROOF. Since $J_{M(G)}(\mu) \supset J(\mu)$, we have $\text{sp}_{M(G)}(\mu) \subset \text{sp}(\mu)$. Suppose $\gamma \notin \text{sp}_{M(G)}(\mu)$. Then there exists $\lambda \in J_{M(G)}(\mu)$ such that $\widehat{\lambda}(\gamma) \neq 0$. Let k be a function in $L^1(G)$ such that $\widehat{k}(\gamma) \neq 0$. Then $k * \lambda \in L^1(G)$, $(k * \lambda) * \mu = k * (\lambda * \mu) = 0$ and $(k * \lambda)^\wedge(\gamma) \neq 0$. Hence $\gamma \notin \text{sp}(\mu)$, and so $\text{sp}(\mu) \subset \text{sp}_{M(G)}(\mu)$. This completes the proof.

Suppose there exists a proper closed semigroup P in \widehat{G} such that $P \cup (-P) = \widehat{G}$. Put $\Lambda = P \cap (-P)$, and let $\tau : \widehat{G} \rightarrow \widehat{G}/\Lambda$ be the natural homomorphism. Let $H = \Lambda^\perp$, and set $\widetilde{P} = \tau(P)$. Then \widetilde{P} is a proper closed semigroup in \widehat{G}/Λ such that (i) $\widetilde{P} \cup (-\widetilde{P}) = \widehat{G}/\Lambda$ and (ii) $\widetilde{P} \cap (-\widetilde{P}) = \{0\}$. From Proposition 4.1 through Proposition 4.3, we assume that there exists such a proper closed semigroup P in \widehat{G} .

PROPOSITION 4.1. Let E be a closed set in \widehat{G} such that $E + \Lambda = E$, and let $\widetilde{E} = \tau(E)$. Let μ be a measure in $M(X)$. Then the following are equivalent.

- (i) $\text{sp}_H(\mu) \subset \widetilde{E}$;
- (ii) $\text{sp}(\mu) \subset E$.

PROOF. Since $E + \Lambda = E$, we note that \widetilde{E} is a closed set in \widehat{G}/Λ .

(i) \Leftrightarrow (ii): Suppose $\gamma \notin E$. Since $E + \Lambda = E$, $\tau(\gamma) \notin \widetilde{E}$, and so $\tau(\gamma) \notin \text{sp}_H(\mu)$. Hence there exists $f \in L^1(H)$ such that $f * \mu = 0$ and $\widehat{f}(\tau(\gamma)) \neq 0$. We can consider f as a measure in $M(G)$. We denote it by λ_f . Then $\lambda_f * \mu = f * \mu = 0$ and $\widehat{\lambda}_f(\gamma) = \widehat{f}(\tau(\gamma)) \neq 0$. It follows from Lemma 4.2 that $\gamma \notin \text{sp}_{M(G)}(\mu) = \text{sp}(\mu)$. Hence we have $\text{sp}(\mu) \subset E$.

(ii) \Leftrightarrow (i): Suppose $\tau(\gamma) \notin \widetilde{E}$ ($\gamma \notin E$). Let \widetilde{V} be a compact neighborhood of $\tau(\gamma)$ such that $\widetilde{V} \cap \widetilde{E} = \emptyset$. Then there exists $f \in L^1(H)$ such that $\widehat{f}(\tau(\gamma)) \neq 0$ and $\text{supp}(\widehat{f}) \subset \widetilde{V}$. Let μ_f be the measure in $M(G)$ corresponding to f . Then

$$(1) \quad \widehat{\lambda}_f(\gamma) = \widehat{f}(\tau(\gamma)) \neq 0.$$

We note that

$$(2) \quad \text{supp}(\widehat{\lambda}_f) \subset \tau^{-1}(\widetilde{V}).$$

Since $E + \Lambda = E$, we have $\tau^{-1}(\widetilde{E}) = E$. This together with $\widetilde{V} \cap \widetilde{E} = \phi$ yields

$$(3) \quad \tau^{-1}(\widetilde{V}) \cap E = \phi.$$

It follows from (ii), (2) and (3) that

$$(4) \quad \text{sp}(\mu) \text{ is in the interior of } \widehat{\lambda}_f^{-1}(0).$$

Claim. $\lambda_f * \mu = 0$.

For any $h \in L^1(G)$, $h * \lambda_f \in L^1(G)$, and (4) implies that $\text{sp}(\mu)$ is in the interior of $\{\gamma \in \widehat{G} : (h * \lambda_f)^\wedge(\gamma) = 0\}$. It follows from Lemma 2.4 that $h * (\lambda_f * \mu) = (h * \lambda_f) * \mu = 0$. Hence, by Lemma 2.2, we have $\lambda_f * \mu = 0$, and the claim is obtained.

By Claim, $f * \mu = 0$, and $\widehat{f}(\tau(\gamma)) \neq 0$. Hence $\tau(\gamma) \notin \text{sp}_H(\mu)$. This shows that $\text{sp}_H(\mu) \subset \widetilde{E}$, and the proof is complete.

The following two propositions follow from the previous proposition.

PROPOSITION 4.2. *Let μ be a measure in $M(X)$. Then the following are equivalent.*

- (i) $\text{sp}_H(\mu) \subset \widetilde{P}$;
- (ii) $\text{sp}(\mu) \subset P$.

PROOF. Since $P + \Lambda = P$, the proposition follows from Proposition 4.1.

PROPOSITION 4.3. *Let μ be a measure in $M(X)$. If Λ is open, then the following are equivalent.*

- (i) $\text{sp}_H(\mu) \subset \widetilde{P} \setminus \{0\}$;
- (ii) $\text{sp}(\mu) \subset P \setminus (-P)$.

PROOF. $P \setminus (-P)$ is closed because $P \setminus (-P) = P \setminus \Lambda$. It is easy to verify that $P \setminus (-P) + \Lambda = P \setminus (-P)$ and $\tau(P \setminus (-P)) = \widetilde{P} \setminus \{0\}$. Hence the proposition follows from Proposition 4.1.

Now we prove Theorem 2.1. We may assume that P is a proper closed semigroup in \widehat{G} . Put $\Lambda = P \cap (-P)$ and $H = \Lambda^\perp$. Let $\tau: \widehat{G} \rightarrow \widehat{G}/\Lambda$ be the natural homomorphism, and set $\widetilde{P} = \tau(P)$. Then \widetilde{P} is a closed semigroup in \widehat{G}/Λ such that $\widetilde{P} \cup (-\widetilde{P}) = \widehat{G}/\Lambda$ and $\widetilde{P} \cap (-\widetilde{P}) = \{0\}$. Since $\text{sp}(\mu) \subset P$, it follows from Proposition 4.2 that $\text{sp}_H(\mu) \subset \widetilde{P}$. We note that $\widehat{H} \cong \widehat{G}/\Lambda$. Hence Theorem 4.1 implies that

$$\text{sp}_H(\mu_a), \text{sp}_H(\mu_s) \subset \widetilde{P},$$

which together with Proposition 4.2 yields that $\text{sp}(\mu_a), \text{sp}(\mu_s) \subset P$. This completes the proof of Theorem 2.1.

Next we prove Theorem 2.2. Notations are as in the proof of Theorem 2.1. Since $\text{sp}(\mu) \subset P \setminus (-P)$, it follows from Proposition 4.3 that $\text{sp}_H(\mu) \subset \tilde{P} \setminus \{0\}$. Since $P \cap (-P)$ is open, H is a compact subgroup of G . It follows from Proposition 3.2 that $\text{sp}_H(\mu_a), \text{sp}_H(\mu_s) \subset \tilde{P} \setminus \{0\}$. Hence, by Proposition 4.3, we have $\text{sp}(\mu_a), \text{sp}(\mu_s) \subset P \setminus (-P)$. This completes the proof of Theorem 2.2.

REMARK 4.1. Let G be a LCA group. Then we get a transformation group (G, G) . Let $\mu \in M(G)$, and let E be a closed subset of \hat{G} . The following are equivalent.

- (i) $\hat{\mu}$ vanishes on E^c ;
- (ii) $\text{sp}(\mu) \subset E$.

In fact, “(i) \Leftrightarrow (ii)” is not difficult, and “(ii) \Leftrightarrow (i)” is obtained as follows: Let $\gamma \in E^c$. Then there exists $f \in L^1(G)$ such that $\hat{f}(\gamma) = 1$ and E is in the interior of $\hat{f}^{-1}(0)$. By (ii), $\text{sp}(\mu)$ is in the interior of $\hat{f}^{-1}(0)$. By Lemma 2.4, we have $f * \mu = 0$. Hence $0 = \hat{f}(\gamma) \hat{\mu}(\gamma) = \hat{\mu}(\gamma)$. This shows that (i) holds.

REMARK 4.2. Theorem C follows from Theorems 2.1 and 2.2. In fact, let μ be a measure in $M_{P^c}(G)$. We may assume that P is a proper closed semigroup in \hat{G} . First we consider the case that $P \cap (-P)$ is not open. Since $\mu \in M_{P^c}(G)$, μ belongs to $M_{(-P)}(G)$. It follows from Theorem 2.1 and Remark 4.1 that $\mu_a, \mu_s \in M_{(-P)}(G)$. Since $(-P)^c$ is dense in P , we have $\mu_a, \mu_s \in M_{P^c}(G)$. Next we consider the case that $P \cap (-P)$ is open. Since $P^c = (-P) \setminus P$ is closed, $\mu \in M_{P^c}(G)$ implies that $\text{sp}(\mu) \subset P^c = (-P) \setminus P$, by Remark 4.1. Hence, by Theorem 2.2 and Remark 4.1, we have $\mu_a, \mu_s \in M_{P^c}(G)$.

REMARK 4.3. Let (\mathbf{R}, X) be a transformation group, in which the reals \mathbf{R} acts on a locally compact Hausdorff space X . Let σ be a quasi-invariant, positive Radon measure on X . Let μ be an analytic measure on X , and let $\mu = \mu_a + \mu_s$ be the Lebesgue decomposition of μ with respect to σ . In [5, Theorem 5], Forelli showed that $\text{sp}(\mu_a)$ and $\text{sp}(\mu_s)$ are contained in $\text{sp}(\mu)$. This result seems to depend on the fact that the semigroup $[0, \infty)$ is a Riesz set (cf. [15, Theorem 2.4]). In general, this result does not hold for another transformation group. We give an example: Let G be a compact connected abelian group which is not isomorphic to the circle group \mathbf{T} , and let P be a semigroup in \hat{G} such that $P \cup$

$(-P)=\widehat{G}$ and $P\cap(-P)=\{0\}$. We consider the transformation group (G, G) . We take m_G as a quasi-invariant measure. Since G is not isomorphic to T , there exists a nonzero singular measure $\xi\in M_P(G)$. Then there exists $\gamma_0\in P$ such that $\widehat{\xi}(\gamma_0)\neq 0$. Let $\mu=\widehat{\xi}(\gamma_0)m_G-\xi$. Then $\widehat{\mu}(\gamma_0)=0$ and $\widehat{\mu}_s(\gamma_0)=-\widehat{\xi}(\gamma_0)\neq 0$. It follows from Remark 4.1 and [14, Remark 1.1 (II. 1)] that $\text{sp}(\mu)\subset P$ and $\text{sp}(\mu_s)\not\subset \text{sp}(\mu)$.

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