

Positive Linear Functionals on Ideals of Continuous Functions

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Let N be the set of all continuous functions on a compact Hausdorff space or the set of all continuous functions whose carriers are compact on a locally compact Hausdorff space. Then any positive linear functional T on N has an integral representation (Kakutani [12] and Halmos [8]), so any T has the condition (MA') , i.e. $T(f_n)$ converges to $T(f)$ for any $f \in N$ and for any sequence $\{f_n\} \subset N$ with $f_n \uparrow f$. Let X be a locally compact space and let Y be the one-point compactification of X ([1], p. 93). Then we can regard the set of all continuous functions whose carriers are compact on X as an ideal ($=l$ -ideal, § 1) of $C(Y)$, the set of all real-valued continuous functions of Y . V.S. Varadarajan [16] raised the following question: Let X be a compact Hausdorff space and let N be an ideal of $C(X)$. When can we say that all non-negative linear functionals on N satisfy the condition (MA') ? An ideal N is said to satisfy the property (A) if T satisfies the condition (MA') for any non-negative linear functional T on N (§ 1). In this paper we consider more generalized problems. After some preliminaries in § 1 we consider in § 2 the above problem in the case where X is a completely regular space. We characterize ideals which satisfy the property (A) under some conditions (Theorem 4). In § 3 we prove that any m -closed (ring-) ideal satisfies (A) (Theorem 5), and in § 4 we show that an α -ideal satisfies the stronger property (B) (§ 1) if it satisfies (A) in the case where X is a normal Q -space (Theorem 6).

§ 1. Preliminaries.

Throughout this paper, spaces are always completely regular Hausdorff spaces.

For a space X , a subset N in $C(X)$ will be called an l -ideal²⁾ (or, briefly, an *ideal*) if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i) if $f, g \in N$, then $f + g \in N$,
- (ii) if $f \in N$ and t is any real number, then $tf \in N$,
- (iii) if $f \in N$, $|g|^{3)} \leq f$, then $g \in N$.

1) See, Bourbaki [3]. Varadarajan [16] used the term " σ -smooth" in place of "the condition (MA') ". Numbers in bracket refer to the references cited at the end of the paper.

2) See, Birkhoff [2].

3) For any function f , $|f|(x) = |f(x)|$.

Let X be a space and let f be in $C(X)$. Then we put

$$\begin{aligned} Z(f) &= \{x \mid x \in X, f(x) = 0\}, \\ P(f) &= \{x \mid x \in X, f(x) > 0\}, \\ \mathfrak{P}(X) &= \{P(f) \mid f \in C(X)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Let N be an ideal. Then we put

$$\begin{aligned} Z(N) &= \bigcap_{f \in N} Z(f), \\ \mathfrak{P}(N) &= \{P(f) \mid f \in N\}. \end{aligned}$$

Let N be an ideal and let T be a non-negative linear functional. Then T is said to satisfy the *condition* (MA') (resp. (MA)) if $T(f_n)$ (resp. $T(f_\omega)$) converges to $T(f)$ for any $f \in N$ and for any sequence $\{f_n\} \subset N$ (resp. for any directed set $\{f_\alpha\} \subset N$) with $f_n \uparrow f$ (resp. $f_\alpha \uparrow f$)⁴⁾. An ideal N is said to satisfy the *property* (A) (resp. (B)) if T satisfies the condition (MA') (resp. (MA)) for any non-negative linear functional T on N .

Let N be an ideal. Then we put

$$\begin{aligned} K &= \{f \mid f \in C(X), \varphi_{P(|f|)} \leq \text{some } h \in N\}, \\ K^* &= K \cap C^*(X), \end{aligned}$$

where $C^*(X)$ is the set of all bounded continuous functions. We denote by φ_A the characteristic function of a set A . We easily see that K and K^* are ideals and both are contained in N . If X is compact, then we have that $K = K^* = \{f \mid f \in C(X), \text{ the carrier of } f \text{ is contained in some compact subset of } Y = X - Z(N)\}$.

Let N be an ideal. Then N is called an α -ideal if $f \in N$ for any $f \in C(X)$ with $|f| \wedge n \in N$ ($n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$). If X is compact (or pseudo compact), then any ideal is an α -ideal, and if X is locally compact, the set of all continuous functions whose carriers are compact on X is an α -ideal. If N is an α -ideal and if $f \in K$, then we have that $K \supset \{g \mid g \in C(X), P(|g|) \subset P(f)\}$.

Let X be any space. Then E. Hewitt [10] introduced a Baire measure on $\mathfrak{P}(X)$. Let N be an α -ideal and let T be a non-negative linear functional. Similarly, we can introduce a countably additive measure on $\mathfrak{P}(K)$ as follows.

Let G be any set in $\mathfrak{P}(K)$. We define the measure $\gamma(G)$ as $\sup T(f)$,

4) Let A be a directed system. Then $\{f_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$ is said to be a directed set if for any pair α_1, α_2 with $\alpha_1 \geq \alpha_2$, $f_{\alpha_1} \geq f_{\alpha_2}$. " $f_\alpha \uparrow f$ " means that $\lim_{\alpha} f_\alpha(x) = f(x)$ for any x . We see that a non-negative linear functional T on N satisfies (MA') (resp. (MA)) if $T(f_n)$ (resp. $T(f_\alpha)$) converges to $T(f)$ for any $f(\geq 0) \in N$ and for any sequence $\{f_n\} \subset N$ (resp. for any directed set $\{f_\alpha\} \subset N$) such that $f_n \uparrow f$ (resp. $f_\alpha \uparrow f$) and $f_n \geq 0$ for any n (resp. $f_\alpha \geq 0$ for any α) (Cf. [14]).

where f runs through the set of all functions in K such that $0 \leq f \leq \varphi_G$. By the similar method as Hewitt [10], we have

- (1) a) $G \subset H$ implies that $\gamma(G) \leq \gamma(H)$,
- b) $0 \leq \gamma(G) < +\infty$
- c) $\gamma(0) = 0$,
- G and H being arbitrary sets in $\mathfrak{B}(K)$.
- (2) $\gamma(G \cup H) \leq \gamma(G) + \gamma(H)$ for any G, H in $\mathfrak{B}(K)$.
- (3) If $G, H \in \mathfrak{B}(K)$ and $G \cap H = 0$, then $\gamma(G \cup H) = \gamma(G) + \gamma(H)$.
- (4) Let G_n, G be in $\mathfrak{B}(K)$ and let $G \subset \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} G_n$. Then $\gamma(G) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \gamma(G_n)$.

For any subset $A \subset X$, we put

$$\gamma^*(A) = \inf \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \gamma(G_n), A \subset \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} G_n, G_n \in \mathfrak{B}(K) \right\}$$

if this set is non-empty, and $\gamma^*(A) = +\infty$ otherwise.

Then we have

- (5) a) $0 \leq \gamma^*(A)$ for any $A \subset X$,
- b) $\gamma^*(A) \leq \gamma^*(B)$ if $A \subset B$,
- c) $\gamma^*\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \gamma^*(A_n)$ for all $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n, \dots\}$,
- d) $\gamma^*(G) = \gamma(G)$ for any $G \in \mathfrak{B}(K)$.
- (6) Every set in $\mathfrak{B}(K)$ is measurable with respect to the outer measure γ^* .
- (7) The outer measure γ^* is countably additive on the family $\overline{\mathfrak{B}(K)}$, where $\overline{\mathfrak{B}(K)}$ is the smallest family which contains $\mathfrak{B}(K)$ and closed under the formation of complements and of countable unions.
- (8) For any non-negative function $f \in K$, there exists some $a > 0$ such that $\gamma[x | x \in X, 0 < f(x) \leq a] = \gamma(P(f))$.

If X is a locally compact space and if N is the set of all continuous functions on X whose carriers are compact, then we easily see that $\gamma(G) = \mu(G)$ for any $G \in \mathfrak{B}(N) = \mathfrak{B}(K)$, whose μ is the measure introduced by Halmos ([8], p. 247, Theorem 8).

By the similar method as Hewitt, we have that for any α -ideal N and for any $f \in K$, $T(f) = \int f(x) d\gamma(x)$. If T satisfies the condition (MA') and if f is a non-negative function in N , then $g_n = f - f \wedge n^{-1} \uparrow f$ and $g_n \in K$, so $T(f) = \int f(x) d\gamma(x)$. Therefore we have

Let N be an α -ideal. Then a non-negative linear functional T satisfies the condition (MA') if and only if there exists a countably additive measure γ on $\overline{\mathfrak{B}(K)}$ for which

$$T(f) = \int f(x) d\gamma(x) \quad (f \in N).$$

Let X be a space and let $\mathfrak{D}(X)$ be the set of all open subsets in X . By a Borel measure, we shall mean a real-valued function γ defined on $\overline{\mathfrak{D}(X)}$ which is countably additive, where $\overline{\mathfrak{D}(X)}$ is the smallest family which contains $\mathfrak{D}(X)$ and closed under the formation of complements and of countable unions.

Let N be a set of continuous functions such that (i) N is a linear lattice, (ii) if $f \in N$, then $1 \wedge f \in N$ and (iii) for any closed subset F and for any point p with $p \notin F$, there is an $f \in N$ such that $f(F) = 0$, $f(p) = 1$ and $0 \leq f(x) \leq 1$. Then Ishii [11] proved the following: Let T be a positive linear functional on N having the condition (MA). Then there is a reducible⁵⁾ Borel measure γ on X such that $T(f) = \int f(x) d\gamma(x)$ ($f \in N$).

Similarly, we have

Let N be an ideal and let T be a positive linear functional on N having the condition (MA). Then there is a reducible Borel measure γ on $Y = X - Z(N)$ such that

$$T(f) = \int_Y f(x) d\gamma(x) \quad (f \in N).$$

§ 2. Property (A).

We first prove the following lemmas.

Lemma 1. *Let N be an α -ideal and let T be a non-negative functional on N . Then the restriction T_0 on K of T satisfies the condition (MA').*

Proof. By § 1, there is a measure γ such that for any $f \in K$ $T_0(f) = T(f) = \int f(x) d\gamma(x)$, so the lemma is clear.

This lemma can also be proved directly.

Lemma 2. *If N is an α -ideal, then it is a ring, i.e. if $f, g \in N$, then $fg \in N$.*

Proof. Let $f \in N$ $f \geq 0$ and let m be a natural number. Then $mf - (f^2 \wedge m) \geq mf - f(f \wedge m) = f(m - f \wedge m) \geq 0$, or $mf \geq f^2 \wedge m$. Since $f \in N$ and N is an α -ideal, $f^2 \in N$. If $f, g \in N$, then $fg \in N$ since $(|f| + |g|)^2 \geq 4|fg|$.

We can prove the following theorem.

Theorem 1. *Let N be an α -ideal. Then the following conditions are equivalent :*

5) A measure γ on X is said to be reducible if there is a closed subsets F in X such that F is measurable and $\gamma(X - F) = 0$. (Cf. [13]).

- (1) N satisfies the property (A).
- (2) If T is a non-negative functional on N such that $T(K^*)=0$, then T is identically zero.
- (3) If T is a non-negative functional on N such that $T(K)=0$, then T is identically zero.

Proof. (1)→(2). Suppose that there is a positive functional T on N such that $T(K^*)=0$ and $T(f)=1$ for some $f \in N, f \geq 0$. Put $f_n=(f-n) \vee (f \wedge n^{-1})$. Then $f_n \downarrow 0$. We easily see that $\varphi_{p(f-f_n)} \leq nf \in N$ and $0 \leq f-f_n \leq n$, so $f-f_n \in K^*$ and $T(f)-T(f_n)=0$, or $T(f_n)=T(f)=1$ for any n . This shows that (1) does not hold.

(2)→(3). Clear.

(3)→(1). Let T be a non-negative linear functional on N . For any $f \in N, f \geq 0$, we put $T'(f)=\inf \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T(f_n)$, where $f_n \geq 0 (n=1, 2, 3, \dots)$ and $f_n \uparrow f$, and the infimum is taken for all sequences $\{f_n\}$ such that $f_n \uparrow f, f_n \geq 0$ and $f_n \in N$. Then we have that for any $f, g \in N, f, g \geq 0, T'(f+g) = T'(f)+T'(g)$ and for any real number $t \geq 0, T'(tf)=tT'(f)$. For any arbitrary function $f \in N$, we define $T'(f)=T'(f^+)-T'(f^-)$, where f^+ and f^- denotes $f \vee 0$ and $(-f) \vee 0$ respectively. Then T' is a linear functional on N and $T \geq T'$. Put $T''=T-T'$, then T'' is non-negative linear functional on N . But, by Lemma 1, $T''(K)=0$ and by (2) $T'' \equiv 0$, so $T'=T$. This shows that N has the property (A)⁶⁾.

If N is an ideal which is not an α -ideal, we can easily see that Theorem 1 does not always hold.

DEFINITION. An ideal $N(=N_{f_0})$ will be called a *principal ideal* if there exist a non-negative function $f_0 \in N$ such that $N=\{g|g \in C(X), |g| \leq \alpha f_0$ for some $\alpha \geq 0\}$. An ideal N will be called a *0-principal* (resp. *∞ -principal*) if there exists a non-negative s -function (resp. an unbounded function) f_0 such that $N=\{g|g \in C(X), |g(x)| \leq \alpha f_0(x)$ on U_m for some $\alpha > 0$ and some natural number $m\}$ (resp. $N=\{g|g \in C(X), |g(x)| \geq \alpha f_0(x)$ on V_m for some $\alpha > 0$ and $m\}$), where $U_m=\{x|x \in X, 0 < f(x) < m^{-1}\}$ and $V_m=\{x|x \in X, f(x) > m\}$. A positive function f is said to be an *s-function* if it admits any small value, i.e. U_m is not empty for any m . If X is compact, then any 0-principal ideal is principal, but it is not true in general.

Theorem 2. (1) A principal ideal $N(=N_{f_0})$ fulfills the condition (A) if and only if $Z(f_0)$ is open, $Y=X-Z(f_0)$ is pseudo-compact⁶⁾ and $N=\{f|f \in C(X), f(Z(f_0))=0\}$ (it is lattice-isomorphic to $C(Y)$).

6) A topological space X is said to be pseudo-compact if any continuous function on X is bounded.

(2) Any 0-principal (or ∞ -principal) ideal $N(=N_{f_0})$ does not fulfill the condition (A).

Proof. (1) Suppose that N fulfills (A). Then we put $U_n = \{x \mid x \in X, 0 < f_0(x) < n^{-1}\}$. If for any n U_n is not empty, we can select a point x_n in U_n . We put $M = \{g \mid g \in N, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(x_n)/f_0(x_n) \text{ exists}\}$. For any $g \in M$, we define $T(g) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(x_n)/f_0(x_n)$. Then T is a positive linear functional on M . For any $g \in N_{f_0}$ there exists an $m > 0$ such that $|g| \leq mf_0$. Since $mf_0 \in M$, T is extended to a positive linear functional on N_{f_0} (Cf. [4] p. 20). We denote it again with T . If $f_n = f_0 \wedge 1/n$, we have that $f_n \downarrow 0$ and $T(f_n) = 1$ for any n . Since T satisfies (MA') , it is a contradiction. This fact shows that U_m is empty for some m , or $f(x) \geq m^{-1}$ for any x with $f(x) \neq 0$. Therefore $Z(f_0)$ is open, so $Y = X - Z(f_0)$ is open and closed. Let f' be the restriction of f on Y . Then $N_{f'} (\subset C(Y))$ satisfies the property (A). For any non-negative linear functional T^* on $C^*(Y)$ and for any $h \in N_{f'}$, we define $T_1(h) = T^*(h/f')$. Then $T^*(g) = T_1(f'g)$ for any $g \in C^*(Y)$. We easily see that $C^*(Y)$ satisfies (A). By Glucksberg [5], Y is pseudo-compact and $N_{f'} = C^*(Y) = C(Y)$. The converse is clear by [5].

(2) We define U_n, M and T as (1). Then T is a positive linear functional on M . For any $g \in N$, there are a positive integer m and $\alpha > 0$ such that $|g(x)| \leq \alpha f_0(x)$ on U_m . We put $h = \alpha f_0 \vee |g|$. Then $h \in M$ and $|g| \leq h$, so T is extended to a positive functional on N . If $f_n = f_0 \wedge n^{-1}$, then $T(f_n) = 1$ for any n and $f_n \downarrow 0$. This is a contradiction.

REMARK. If X is an infinite (completely regular) space, then there is an α -ideal in $C(X)$ which does not satisfy (A). For, if X is infinite, then there is an s -function $f \in C(X)$, so the 0-principal ideal N_f does not satisfy (A) (Theorem 2. (2)). We easily see that N_f is an α -ideal.

DEFINITION. A directed set⁴⁾ $\{f_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$ of positive functions ($\subset N$) is called a base of an ideal N if for any $f \in N$ there is an f_α such that $|f| \leq mf_\alpha$ for some m .

Let f be a positive s -function in $C(X)$ and let g be any function in $C(X)$. Then we define

$$\overline{\lim}_{f \rightarrow 0} g/f = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{U_n} g(x)/f(x),$$

$$\underline{\lim}_{f \rightarrow 0} g/f = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf_{U_n} g(x)/f(x),$$

where $U_n = \{x \mid x \in X, 0 < f(x) < n^{-1}\}$.

If $\overline{\lim}_{h \rightarrow 0} g/f = \underline{\lim}_{f \rightarrow 0} g/f$, we write simply $\lim_{f \rightarrow 0} g/f$ (admits $+\infty$).

Theorem 3. *Let N be an α -ideal and let $\{f_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$ be a base in N . If for any s -function f_α there is an f_β such that $\varinjlim_{f_\alpha \rightarrow 0} f_\beta/f_\alpha = \infty$, then N satisfies the property (A).*

Proof. Suppose that N does not satisfy (A). By Theorem 1 there exists a positive functional T such that $T(K)=0$ and $T(f)=1$ for some positive function $f \in N$. Since $\{f_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$ is a base in N , there is an f_α and a positive constant c such that $0 \leq f \leq cf_\alpha$. Now let f_α be an s -function. Then by the hypothesis, there is an f_β such that $\varinjlim_{f_\alpha \rightarrow 0} f_\beta/f_\alpha = \infty$. Therefore, for any positive number M there is an m such that $f_\beta(x) \geq Mf_\alpha(x)$ if $x \in U_m$. We set $W_m = \{x | x \in X, 0 \leq f_\alpha(x) < m^{-1}\}$ and $F = X - W_m$. Then if $x \in W_m$, $f_\beta(x) \leq Mf_\alpha(x)$. Let h be a function in K^* such that $h(F)=1$. Then we easily see that $Mf_\alpha h + f_\beta \geq Mf_\alpha$, or $cMf_\alpha h + cf_\beta \geq cMf_\alpha \geq Mf$. Since $f_\alpha h \in K$, $T(f_\alpha h)=0$, so $cT(f_\beta) \geq M$. But M is an arbitrary positive number. This is a contradiction.

Next, let f_α be not an s -function. Then if $f_\alpha(x) \neq 0$, $f_\alpha(x) \geq \delta$ for some positive number δ . The set $P = \{x | x \in X, f_\alpha(x) > 0\}$ is open and closed and $N \supset \{f | f \in C^*(X), f(Z(f_\alpha))=0\}$. Since N is an α -ideal, $N \supset N_0 = \{f | f \in C(X), f(Z(f_\alpha))=0\}$ and $K \supset N_0$. Since $T(K)=0$, $T(N_0)=0$. But $f \in N_0$ and $T(f)=1$. This is a contradiction.

Finally, we characterize ideals which satisfy the property (A) under some conditions. We see that these conditions are necessary as the later example shows.

Theorem 4. *Let N be an α -ideal and let it have a base $\{f_\alpha\}$ such that for any s -function f_α and for any f_β with $\beta \geq$ some α' (α' depends on α), $\varinjlim_{f_\alpha \rightarrow 0} f_\beta/f_\alpha$ exists (admits $+$). Then N satisfies the property (A) if and only if N is not 0-principal.*

Proof. If N satisfies (A), then by Theorem 2. (2), N is not 0-principal. Conversely, suppose that N is not 0-principal. Then for any f_α which is an s -function, there exists an f_β such that $\varinjlim_{f_\alpha \rightarrow 0} f_\beta/f_\alpha = \infty$. For, otherwise, there would exist an s -function f_α such that for any $f_\gamma \in \{f_\alpha\}$ $\varinjlim_{f_\alpha \rightarrow 0} f_\gamma/f_\alpha \leq$ some $M_\gamma < +\infty$, i.e. if $x \in U_m$, then $f_\gamma(x) \leq M'_\gamma f_\alpha(x)$ for some m and $M'_\gamma > 0$, so N would be a 0-principal ideal N_{f_α} . This is a contradiction. We can here assume that for any α the above $\beta \geq \alpha'$. Therefore, by the hypothesis, for any s -function f_α there is an f_β such that $\varinjlim_{f_\alpha \rightarrow 0} f_\beta/f_\alpha = \infty$. By Theorem 4 N satisfies (A).

Let X be a locally compact space and let N be the set of all continuous functions on X whose carriers are compact. Then $N^+ = \{f | f \in N,$

$f \geq 0\}$ forms a base which satisfies the hypothesis of Theorem 4. The ordering of the directed system for the base can be defined as follows: $\alpha > \beta$ if $f_\alpha \geq \varphi_{P(f_\beta)}$, for any f_α, f_β in N^+ .

EXAMPLE. The hypothesis in Theorem 4 is necessary. The following example shows it. Let X be the closed interval $[0, 1]$ and let N be an ideal having a base $\{f_n\}$. For any n we define: $f_n(x) = x$ if $x = 2^{-2m}$ or $x = 0$ ($m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$), $f_n(x) = x^{1/n}$ if $x = 2^{-(2m+1)}$ ($m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$) and it is linear on the intervals $[2^{-(m+1)}, 2^{-m}]$ ($m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$). We see that N is an α -ideal (since X is compact) and is not 0-principal. But N does not satisfy (A). For, Put $M = \{f | f \in N, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{2n} f(2^{-2n}) \text{ exists}\}$. Define $T(f) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{2n} f(2^{-2n})$ for any $f \in M$. T is extended to a positive linear functional on N (Cf. [4]. p. 20) Set $g_m = f_1 \wedge m^{-1}$. Then we have that $g_m \downarrow 0$ and $T(g_m) = 1$ for any m , so N does not satisfy (A).

§ 3. Ring-ideals.

A subset N in $C(X)$ is called a *ring-ideal*⁷⁾ if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (i) if $f, g \in N$, then $f + g \in N$,
- (ii) if $f \in N$ and if $h \in C(X)$, then $hf \in N$.

A ring-ideal N is said to be *m-closed* if N is closed in the m -topology $C(X)$. Any neighborhood of $f \in C(X)$ in the m -topology is the set $\{g | g \in C(X), |g - f| < \pi\}$ for some everywhere positive function $\pi \in C(X)$ according to Hewitt [9]. Shiota [15], and Gillman, Henrikson, and Jerison [7] proved that any m -closed ring-ideal is an intersection of some maximal ring-ideals. We shall show that any m -closed ring-ideal is an α -ideal and it satisfies (A) (Cf. Theorem 5).

The following lemma is proved by [16] in the case where X is compact.

Lemma 3. *Let N be an α -ideal and let it have the property such that if $f \in N$ then $|f|^{1/2} \in N$. Then N satisfies the property (A).*

Proof. Suppose that a positive functional T on N satisfies the property such that $T(K) = 0$ and $T(f) = 1$ for some positive $f \in N$ (Cf. Theorem 1). We put $g_n = (nf - f^{1/2}) \vee 0$. Then $n^2 f \geq \varphi_{P(g_n)}$ and $g_n \in K$. $0 = T(g_n) \geq T(nf - f^{1/2})$, or $T(f^{1/2}) \geq nT(f) = n$ for any n . This contradiction proves the lemma.

We can easily prove the following lemmas.

7) We use the word "ring-ideal" to avoid the confusion.

Lemma 4. *If N is a maximal ideal ($=l$ -ideal), then it satisfies the property (A).*

Proof. By Lemma 3, it is sufficient prove that (i) for any positive f in N , $f^{1/2} \in N$ and (ii) N is an α -ideal.

(i) Suppose that $f \in N$ and $f^{1/2} \notin N$. Since N is maximal, the set $\{h | h \in C(X), \lambda f^{1/2} + g \geq |h| \text{ for some positive } g \in N \text{ and for some } \lambda > 0\}$ is identical to $C(X)$. Therefore $\lambda f^{1/2} + g \geq f^{1/4}$ for some positive $g \in N$ and for some $\lambda > 0$, or $g \geq f^{1/4} - \lambda f^{1/2} = f^{1/4}(1 - \lambda f^{1/4})$. For any x in X with $f(x) \leq (2\lambda)^{-4}$, $g(x) \geq 1/2 f^{1/4}(x)$, or $2g(x) \geq f^{1/4}(x)$. For any x in X with $f(x) > (2\lambda)^{-4}$, $(2\lambda)^3 f(x) - f^{1/4}(x) = f^{1/4}(x)((2\lambda)^3 f^{3/4}(x) - 1) \geq 0$, or $(2\lambda)^3 f(x) \geq f^{1/4}(x)$. Therefore $2g \vee (2\lambda)^3 f \geq f^{1/4}$, and so $f^{1/4} \in N$. By Lemma 2, we have $f^{1/2} \in N$. This contradiction proves (i).

(ii) Let f be a positive function in $C(X)$ such that for any n $f \wedge n \in N$ and $f \notin N$. Since N is a maximal ideal, the set $\{h | \lambda f + g \geq |h| \text{ for some positive } g \in N \text{ and for some } \lambda > 0\}$ is identical to $C(X)$. Therefore $\lambda f + g \geq f^2$ for some positive $g \in N$ and $\lambda > 0$, or $g \geq f^2 - \lambda f = f(f - \lambda)$. For $x \in X$ with $f(x) \geq 1 + \lambda$, we have $g(x) \geq f(x)$. For $x \in X$ with $f(x) < 1 + \lambda$, we can select a natural number n such that $n \geq 1 + \lambda$. If we put $f_n = f \wedge n$, then $(1 + \lambda)^{1/2} f_n^{1/2}(x) \geq f(x)$. Therefore $g \vee (1 + \lambda)^{1/2} f_n^{1/2} \geq f$. Since $f_n^{1/2} \in N$ by (i), $f \in N$.

Lemma 5. *A maximal ring-ideal is a maximal ideal.*

Proof. Let M be a maximal ring-ideal. Then we must first prove that it is an ideal. We put $M_0 = \{f | f \in C(X), |f| \leq \alpha g \text{ for some positive } g \in M \text{ and some } \alpha > 0\}$. Then M_0 is a proper ring-ideal (for, $M_0 \not\ni 1$ since $M \not\ni 1$), and $M \subset M_0$, so $M = M_0$, i.e. M is an ideal. To prove the lemma, it is sufficient to show that if N is a maximal ideal, then it is a proper ring-ideal. We put $N_0 = \{f | f \in C(X), |f| \leq hg \text{ for some positive } h \in C(X) \text{ and some } g \in N\}$. Then N_0 is an ideal and $N \subset N_0$. Therefore it is sufficient to prove that N_0 is proper. Suppose that $N_0 = C(X)$. Then there exist $h \in C(X)$ and $g \in N$ such that $hg \geq 1$, so g is everywhere positive. If we put $N' = \{fg^{-1}; f \in N\}$, then N' is a maximal ideal and $N' \ni 1$. By the proof of Lemma 4, N' is an α -ideal, so $N' = C(X)$ and $N = C(X)$. This is a contradiction.

Now we can prove the following theorem.

Theorem 5. *Any m -closed ring-ideal is an α -ideal and it satisfies the property (A).*

Proof. Let N be an m -closed ring-ideal. Then N is an intersection of some maximal ideals M_α ([15] or [7]). Any M_α is a maximal ideal

(Lemma 5) and by the proof of Lemma 4, any M_α is an α -ideal and has the property such that for any positive $f \in M_\alpha$, $f^{1/2} \in M_\alpha$. Therefore N is an α -ideal and has the property such that for any positive $f \in N$, $f^{1/2} \in N$. By Lemma 3, N satisfies (A).

REMARK. If X is a P -space (Cf. Gillman and Henriksen [6]), then any ring-ideal in $C(X)$ satisfies (A) since any ring-ideal is m -closed ([6], p. 345).

EXAMPLE. An m -closed ideal (not a ring-ideal) does not always satisfy the property (A). Such an example is the following: Let X be the semi-line $[0, \infty)$ and let $N = \{f \in C(X), |f(x)| \leq \alpha x \text{ for some } \alpha > 0 \text{ and for } x \geq 1\}$. Then we easily see that N is an m -closed ideal but it does not satisfy (A) since N is ∞ -principal (Cf. Theorem 2. (2)).

§4. Property (B)

Let X be a locally compact space and let N be the set of all continuous functions whose carriers are compact on X . McShane [14] proved that N has the property (B). We can regard N as an ideal in $C(X_0)$, where X_0 is the one-point compactification of X . We here consider ideals in $C(X)$, where X is a Q -space. Q -spaces are considered in [9]. Any separable metric space or any locally compact Hausdorff space which is sum of countable compact subsets is always a Q -space [9]. We here show that an α -ideal satisfies the property (B) if it satisfies (A) in the case X is a normal Q -space.

We first prove the following

Lemma 6. *Let X be a normal Q -space and let F be a closed subset in X . Let Y be the decomposition space⁸⁾ consisting of F and all elements in $X - F$. Then Y is also a Q -space.*

Proof. Let φ be the mapping such that $\varphi^{-1}(y_0) = F$ and $\varphi^{-1}(y)$ is a set consisting of only one point for any $y \in Y$, $y \neq y_0$. Then φ is continuous. Now suppose that Y is not a Q -space. Then there exists a family

8) Let X be a topological space and let $\{F_\alpha\}$ be a division by closed sets of X , i.e. $X = \bigcup F_\alpha$, any F_α is closed and elements of $\{F_\alpha\}$ are mutually disjoint. We can consider new space Y whose points are $\{F_\alpha\}$. This space is called the decomposition space of X if for any open set $U \supset F_\alpha$, there exists an open set $V \supset F_\alpha$ such that $F_\beta \cap V \neq \emptyset$ implies that $F_\alpha \subset U$. For any point $y_0 = F_\alpha$ in the decomposition space Y , any neighborhood of y_0 is the set $\{y | y = F_\beta, F_\beta \subset U\}$ for some open set U in X (Cf. [1]). Then there exists a continuous mapping from X onto Y .

$\mathfrak{F} \subset \mathfrak{B}(Y)^{\circledast}$ such that (i) \mathfrak{F} is Z -maximal, (ii) any countable family of \mathfrak{F} has a non-void intersection and (iii) $\bigcap_{B \in \mathfrak{F}} B = 0$ (Cf. [9]). Let $\mathfrak{G} = \{A \mid A \in \mathfrak{B}(X), A \supset \varphi^{-1}B \text{ for some } B \in \mathfrak{F}\}$. Then we shall first prove that \mathfrak{G} is Z -maximal. If \mathfrak{G} is not Z -maximal, then there exists an $A_0 \notin \mathfrak{G}$ ($A_0 \in \mathfrak{B}(X)$) such that $\varphi^{-1}B \cap A_0 \neq 0$ for any $B \in \mathfrak{F}$. Since $A_0 \notin \mathfrak{G}$, $A_0 \not\supset \varphi^{-1}B$ for any $B \in \mathfrak{F}$, so $\varphi A_0 \not\supset B$ for any $B \in \mathfrak{F}$. For, if $\varphi A_0 \supset B$ for some $B \in \mathfrak{F}$, by (iii), there exists a $B_1 \in \mathfrak{F}$ such that $\varphi A_0 \supset B_1$ and $B_1 \not\supset y_0$. Therefore $A_0 \supset \varphi^{-1}B_1$. This is a contradiction, so $\varphi A_0 \not\supset B$ for any $B \in \mathfrak{F}$. Let $A_0 = Z(f)$ ($f \in C^*(C)$) and let $V(y_0)$ be a neighborhood of y_0 in Y . Then $f\varphi^{-1}$ is continuous on $Y - V(y_0)$. Let g be an extended continuous function of $f\varphi^{-1} \mid (Y - V(y_0))$ on Y (Y is a normal space). Then we have $Z(g) \subset \varphi A_0 \cup V(y_0)$. We take a $B_2 \in \mathfrak{F}$ $B_2 \not\supset y_0$ and $V(y_0)$ such that $V(y_0) \cap B_2 = 0$. To prove that $Z(g) \notin \mathfrak{F}$, we suppose that $Z(g) \in \mathfrak{F}$. Then $\varphi A_0 \supset \varphi A_0 \cap B_2 = (\varphi A_0 \cup V(y_0)) \cap B_2 \supset Z(g) \cap B_2$ and $Z(g) \cap B_2 \in \mathfrak{F}$, this is a contradiction. Since \mathfrak{F} is Z -maximal, there exists a $B \in \mathfrak{F}$ such that $B \cap Z(g) = 0$. We can assume that $B \not\supset y_0$ and $B \cap V(y_0) = 0$. $0 = \varphi^{-1}B \cap \varphi^{-1}(Z(g)) \supset \varphi^{-1}B \cap \varphi^{-1}(\varphi A_0 - V(y_0)) = \varphi^{-1}[B \cap (\varphi A_0 - V(y_0))] = \varphi^{-1}(B \cap \varphi A_0) = \varphi^{-1}B \cap A_0$. But $\varphi^{-1}B \cap A_0 \neq 0$. This contradiction shows that \mathfrak{G} is Z -maximal. We easily see that any countable family of \mathfrak{G} has non-empty intersection and $\bigcap_{A \in \mathfrak{G}} A = 0$. Therefore X is not a Q -space. This shows that Y is a Q -space.

By this lemma, we have

Theorem 6. *Let X be a normal Q -space and let N be an α -ideal. Then N satisfies the property (B) if and only if N satisfies the property (A).*

Proof. It is sufficient to prove that if N satisfies (A), then it satisfies (B). Suppose that N satisfied (A). Let T be a positive linear functional on N and let f be a positive function N . Then we define $T'(f) = \inf_{f_\omega} T(f_\omega)$, where any f_ω of a directed set $\{f_\omega\}$ is non-negative and $f_\omega \uparrow f$, and the infimum is taken for all directed sets $\{f_\omega\}$ such that $f_\omega \uparrow f$, $f_\omega \geq 0$ and $f_\omega \in N$. Then we have that for any $f, g (\geq 0) \in N$, $T'(f+g) = T'(f) + T'(g)$ and $T'(tf) = tT'(f)$ for any $t \geq 0$. For any $f \in N$, we put $T'(f) = T'(f^+) - T'(f^-)$. Then T' is linear functional on N . If we put $T'' = T - T'$, then $T'' \geq 0$. To prove that $T = T'$, it is sufficient to show that $T''(K) = 0$ (Theorem 1). Therefore we have only to show that for any positive function $f \in K$, $T \mid K_f$ satisfies the condition (MA), where $K_f = \{g \mid g \in K, P(|g|) < P(f)\}$. Since N is an α -ideal, $K_f = \{g \mid g \in C(X), P(|g|) < P(f)\}$. If we put $F = \overline{P(f)}^{10}$, we can regard K_f as the set of

9) For any topological space X , we denote by $\mathfrak{B}(X)$ the family $\{Z(f) \mid f \in C(X)\}$.

10) For any subset A , \bar{A} denotes the closure of A .

all functions in $C(F)$ vanishing on $F-P(f)$. Therefore to prove the Theorem, we have only to show that if M is the set of all functions in $C(F)$ (F is a Q -space) vanishing on a fixed closed subset A in F , then M satisfies (B).

(i) If A is the empty set, then $M=C(F)$. If T is a positive linear functional on M , then there are a Baire measure γ on F and a compact set $C \subset F$ with $T(f) = \int_C f(x) d\gamma^*$ ($f \in M$) ([10]. Theorem 18). Therefore M fulfills (B)¹¹⁾.

(ii) Let A be a set consisting of one point and let $A=(p)$. Let T be a positive linear functional. Then T is continuous, i.e. $\|T\| = \sup_{\substack{0 \leq f \leq 1 \\ f \in M}} T(f) < +\infty$. We can assume that $\|T\|=1$. We put for any $f \in C(F)$, $T^*(f) = T(f-f(p)) + f(p)$. We easily see that T^* is a positive linear functional on $C(F)$. By (i) T^* satisfies (MA) and so does T .

(iii) If A is an arbitrary closed subset in F , let Y be the decomposition space consisting of A and $\{x\}_{x \in F-A}$. Then by Lemma 6 Y is a Q -space. Let φ be the mapping such that $\varphi^{-1}(y_0) = A$ and $\varphi^{-1}(y)$ is a set consisting of only one point for any $y \in Y, y \neq y_0$. For any $f \in M$ we put $f'(y) = f(\varphi^{-1}y)$, then f' is continuous on Y . $M^* = \{f' | f \in M\}$ is the set of all continuous functions vanishing at y_0 . Let T be a positive linear functional on M and let $T_1(f') = T(f)$ for any $f' \in M^*$. Then T_1 is positive on M^* . By (ii) T_1 satisfies (MA) and so does T .

Let N be an ideal and let T be a non-negative linear functional on N . T is said to have the property (D) if $T(f) = T(g)$ for any $f, g \in N$ where $f=g$ on some open set $U \supset Z(N)$.

In the case where X is compact, we have

Theorem 7. *Let X be a compact space and let N be an ideal. Then N satisfies the property (B) (or (A)) if and only if any non-negative linear functional on N which has the property (D) is identically zero.*

Proof. By Theoreme 1 and 6, we have only to show that T has the property (D) if and only if $T(K)=0$. Since X is compact, it is clear.

REMARK. Any non-negative linear functional T on N which has the property (D) is of the following form. For any s -function $f \in N$ we put $M = \{g | g \in N, Z(g) \supset Z(f) \text{ and } \lim_{f \rightarrow 0} g/f \text{ exists}\}$. Then we have that for any $g \in M$

$$T(g) = c \lim_{f \rightarrow 0} g/f, \text{ where } c \geq 0$$

For, if we put $\lim_{f \rightarrow 0} g/f = a$, then for any $\varepsilon > 0$ there is an m such that

11) This fact is pointed out by [11].

$(a-\varepsilon)f(x) \leq g(x) \leq (a+\varepsilon)f(x)$ if $f(x) \leq m^{-1}$. $(a-\varepsilon)f \wedge g \leq g \leq (a+\varepsilon)f \vee g$, so $(a-\varepsilon)T(f) = T((a-\varepsilon)f \wedge g) \leq T(g) \leq T((a+\varepsilon)f \vee g) = (a+\varepsilon)T(f)$. Since ε is an arbitrary positive number, $T(g) = aT(f) = c \lim_{f \rightarrow 0} g/f$, where $c = T(f)$.

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