

# Solutions for Problem Set 9 MATH 4122/9022

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**12.1** Let  $\mu$  be a signed measure on a measurable space  $(X, \mathcal{A})$ . Suppose first that  $A$  is a null set and let  $P, N \in \mathcal{A}$  be a pair of sets given by the Hahn decomposition theorem ( $P$  is positive,  $N$  is negative,  $X = P \cup N, P \cap N = \emptyset$ ). Then, by the Jordan decomposition theorem,  $|\mu|(A) = \mu^+(A) + \mu^-(A) = \mu(A \cap P) - \mu(A \cap N) = 0$ , because  $A \cap P \subset A, A \cap N \subset A$  and  $A$  is a null set. Conversely, if  $|\mu|(A) = 0$  then  $\mu^+(A) = \mu^-(A) = 0$ , since both  $\mu^+$  and  $\mu^-$  are positive measures. If  $B \subset A$  then  $\mu^+(B) = \mu^-(B) = 0$ , by monotonicity, hence  $\mu(B) = 0$ .

**12.3** Let  $s := \sup \left\{ \left| \int_A f d\mu \right| : |f| \leq 1 \right\}$ . By Exercise 12.2 (not included in this problem set),  $\left| \int_A f d\mu \right| \leq \int_A |f| d|\mu| \leq \int_A d|\mu| = |\mu|(A)$ , for all  $|f| \leq 1$ . This implies  $s \leq |\mu|(A)$ . For the converse inequality, let  $P, N \in \mathcal{A}$  be given by the Hahn decomposition theorem, with  $P$  is positive and  $N$  is negative. Then,  $|\mu|(A) = \mu^+(A) + \mu^-(A) = \mu(A \cap P) - \mu(A \cap N) = |\mu(A \cap P) - \mu(A \cap N)| = \left| \int_{A \cap P} d\mu - \int_{A \cap N} d\mu \right| = \left| \int (\chi_{A \cap P} - \chi_{A \cap N}) d\mu \right| = \left| \int_A (\chi_P - \chi_N) d\mu \right|$ . The function  $f := \chi_P - \chi_N$  satisfies  $|f| = 1$ , which shows that  $|\mu|(A) \in \left\{ \left| \int_A f d\mu \right| : |f| \leq 1 \right\}$ , hence  $|\mu|(A) \leq s$ .

**12.4** Let  $P, N \in \mathcal{A}$  be given by the Hahn decomposition theorem, where  $P$  is positive and  $N$  is negative. The first inequality:  $\lambda^+(A) = \lambda(A \cap P) = \mu(A \cap P) - \nu(A \cap P) \leq \mu(A \cap P) \leq \mu(A)$ , where in the second last inequality we used the fact that both  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  are positive and finite. Similarly, the second inequality is derived as follows:  $\lambda^-(A) = -\lambda(A \cap N) = -\mu(A \cap N) + \nu(A \cap N) \leq \nu(A \cap N) \leq \nu(A)$ .

**12.7** Let

$$a := \sup \left\{ \left| \int_A f d\mu \right| : |f| \leq 1 \right\}$$

and

$$b := \sup \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^n |\mu(B_j)| : B_j \in \mathcal{A}, \{B_j\}_{j=1}^n \text{ is a partition of } A, n \in \mathbb{N} \right\}.$$

By Exercise 12.3, it suffices to show that  $a = b$ . As we have seen in the same exercise,  $\left| \int_A f d\mu \right| \leq |\mu|(A)$ , for all  $|f| \leq 1$ , so  $a \leq b$ , since  $|\mu|(A) = \mu(A \cap P) - \mu(A \cap N) = |\mu(A \cap P)| + |\mu(A \cap N)|$ , which is an element of the set defined in the question (again, here  $P, N$  are given by the Hahn decomposition theorem). For the converse inequality, let  $\{B_j\}_{j=1}^n$  be a partition of  $A$ ,  $B_j \in \mathcal{A}$  and define  $f(x) := \frac{|\mu(B_j)|}{\mu(B_j)}$  for  $x \in B_j$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, n$ , and  $f(x) = 0$  for all  $x \in X \setminus A$  (note that  $|f| \leq 1$ ). Then,  $\left| \int_A f d\mu \right| = \left| \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{|\mu(B_j)|}{\mu(B_j)} \cdot \int_{B_j} d\mu \right| = \sum_{j=1}^n |\mu(B_j)|$ , which implies  $b \leq a$ .

5. (a) Let  $M(X)$  be the set of all complex measures on  $(X, \mathcal{M})$  endowed with the two operations defined in the question. Then,  $\mu_0 := 0$  (the zero-measure) is the additive identity,  $(-\mu)(A) := -\mu(A)$  is the additive inverse of any  $\mu \in M(X)$ ,  $1 \in \mathbb{C}$  is the complex scalar satisfying  $1 \cdot \mu = \mu$  and we let to the reader to prove the rest of the vector space axioms, which are straightforward to verify. For example, here is one of the distributivity axioms: if  $a, b \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\mu \in M(X)$  and  $E \in \mathcal{M}$ , then  $[(a+b)\mu](E) = (a+b) \cdot \mu(E) = a \cdot \mu(E) + b \cdot \mu(E) = (a\mu)(E) + (b\mu)(E)$ , hence  $(a+b)\mu = a\mu + b\mu$ .
- (b) We use the following definition for the total variation measure  $|\mu|$  of a complex measure  $\mu$  (see for example Rudin's *Real and Complex Analysis*, 3rd edition, p. 116):

$$|\mu|(A) = \sup \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\mu(B_j)| : B_j \in \mathcal{M}, \{B_j\}_j \text{ is a partition of } A \right\} \quad (0.1)$$

For the rest of the proof, we shall write  $\sup \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\mu(B_j)|$  instead of the full expression (0.1), where the supremum is taken over all partitions  $\{B_j\}_j$  of  $X$  with  $B_j \in \mathcal{M}$ . For  $a \in \mathbb{C}$  we have  $\|a\mu\| = |a\mu|(X) = \sup \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |a\mu(B_j)| = |a| \sup \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\mu(B_j)| = |a| \mu(X) = |a| \|\mu\|$ . Next, suppose that  $\|\mu\| := |\mu|(X) = 0$  and let  $A \in \mathcal{M}$ . Then,  $|\mu(A)| \leq |\mu(A)| + |\mu(X \setminus A)| \leq$

$\sup \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\mu(B_j)| = |\mu|(X) = 0$ . This proves that  $\|\mu\| = 0$  implies  $\mu \equiv 0$ .

Lastly, for the triangle inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|\mu + \nu\| &= |\mu + \nu|(X) \\
&= \sup \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\mu(B_j) + \nu(B_j)| \\
&\leq \sup \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\mu(B_j)| + |\nu(B_j)| \\
&\leq \sup \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\mu(B_j)| + \sup \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\nu(C_j)| \\
&= |\mu|(X) + |\nu|(X) = \|\mu\| + \|\nu\|.
\end{aligned}$$

The last inequality involves all possible partitions of  $X$ , separately for  $\mu$  and  $\nu$ , respectively. That is why we used different notations ( $B_j$  and  $C_j$ ).

6. This is Proposition 6.8 in Rudin's *Real and Complex Analysis*, 3rd edition, p. 120., whose solution we present in here.
  - (a) First note that  $\lambda$  is concentrated on  $A$  iff  $\lambda(E) = 0$  for all  $E \in \mathcal{M}$  that do not intersect  $A$ . Indeed, one direction is immediate and, to prove the other one, just write  $E = (E \setminus A) \cup (E \cap A)$ , as a disjoint union, and note that, by hypothesis,  $\lambda(E \setminus A) = 0$ . Now, let  $E \in \mathcal{M}$  such that  $E \cap A = \emptyset$ . Then,  $\lambda(E) = 0$  so, for any partition  $\{E_j\}_j$  of  $E$  we have  $\lambda(E_j) = 0$  for all  $j$ , since none of the  $E_j$  intersect  $A$ . By the definition used in Question 5 above (for complex measures) and also, by Exercise 12.7 (for signed measures), it follows that  $|\lambda|(E) = 0$ .
  - (b) For two measures  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  to be mutually singular (as per the definition in the textbook) is the same as saying that  $\lambda_1$  is concentrated on  $A$  and  $\lambda_2$  is concentrated on  $B$ , for some measurable sets  $A, B \in \mathcal{M}$ ,  $A \cap B = \emptyset$ ,  $A \cup B = X$  (we leave the straightforward proof of this statement to the reader). Then, point (b) is an immediate consequence of point (a).
  - (c)  $\lambda_1 \perp \mu$  implies the existence of two measurable sets  $A_1, B_1 \in \mathcal{M}$ , disjoint,  $A_1 \cup B_1 = X$ , such that  $\lambda_1$  is concentrated on  $A_1$  and  $\mu$  on  $B_1$ . Similarly, there exists disjoint measurable sets  $A_2, B_2 \in \mathcal{M}$  such that  $\lambda_2$  is concentrated on  $A_2$  and  $\mu$  on  $B_2$ . Then,  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2$  is concentrated on  $A := A_1 \cup A_2$ ,  $\mu$  is concentrated on  $B := B_1 \cap B_2$ ,  $X = A \cup B$  and  $A \cap B = \emptyset$ .
  - (d) This point is immediate.
  - (e) Let  $E \in \mathcal{M}$  be such that  $\mu(E) = 0$  and let  $\{E_j\}_j$  be a partition of  $E$ . Since  $\mu$  is positive, it follows that  $\mu(E_j) = 0$  for all  $j$ , so  $\lambda(E_j) = 0$  for all  $j$ , hence  $\sum_j |\lambda(E_j)| = 0$ , which implies  $|\lambda|(E) = 0$ .

(f)  $\lambda_2 \perp \mu$  implies that there exists a set  $A$  such that  $\mu(A) = 0$  and on which  $\lambda_2$  is concentrated. Since  $\lambda_1 \ll \mu$ ,  $\lambda_1(B) = 0$  for all  $B \subset A$ , hence  $\lambda_1$  is concentrated on the complement of  $A$ , which proves the statement.

(g) By point (f), it follows that  $\lambda \perp \lambda$  which clearly implies  $\lambda \equiv 0$ .

7. Suppose there exist two pairs  $\lambda_a, \lambda_s$  and  $\lambda'_a, \lambda'_s$  such that  $\lambda = \lambda_a + \lambda_s = \lambda'_a + \lambda'_s$  such that  $\lambda_a \ll \mu$ ,  $\lambda_s \perp \mu$  and  $\lambda'_a \ll \mu$ ,  $\lambda'_s \perp \mu$ . Then

$$\lambda'_a - \lambda_a = \lambda_s - \lambda'_s \tag{0.2}$$

Then, by point (c) in the previous exercise, we have  $\lambda_s - \lambda'_s \perp \mu$ . By point (d), we have  $\lambda'_a - \lambda_a \ll \mu$ . By (0.2),  $\lambda'_a - \lambda_a$  and  $\lambda_s - \lambda'_s$  are the same measure, so by point (g) we must have  $\lambda'_a - \lambda_a = \lambda_s - \lambda'_s = 0$ , which proves the statement.