

Short Communication

Notes on Riesz's theorem on fuzzy measure space<sup>1</sup>

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**Abstract**

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Let  $X$  be a nonempty set,  $\mathcal{L}$  a  $\sigma$ -algebra of subsets of  $X$  and  $\mu: \mathcal{L} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  a fuzzy measure [1], i.e., with monotonicity and continuity and  $\mu(\Phi) = 0$ . We shall work throughout with the fixed fuzzy measure space  $(X, \mathcal{L}, \mu)$ . Let  $\bar{F}$  denote the class of all nonnegative finite measurable functions.

**Definition 1** (Zhenyuan [2]).  $\mu$  is said to be autocontinuous from above (resp. from below), if  $\mu(A \cup B_n) \rightarrow \mu(A)$  (resp.  $\mu(A - B_n) \rightarrow \mu(A)$ ) whenever  $A \in \mathcal{L}$ ,  $B_n \in \mathcal{L}$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , and  $\mu(B_n) \rightarrow 0$ .  $\mu$  is called autocontinuous, if it is both autocontinuous from above and from below.

By [4, Theorem 1], we know that the autocontinuity, the autocontinuity from above and the autocontinuity from below are equivalent.

**Definition 2.**  $\mu$  is said to have the property (S) (resp. (PS)), if for every sequence  $\{E_n\} \subset \mathcal{L}$  with  $\mu(E_n) \rightarrow 0$ , there exists a subsequence  $\{E_{n_i}\}$  of  $\{E_n\}$  such that

$$\mu\left(\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{i=k}^{\infty} E_{n_i}\right) = 0$$

$$\left(\text{resp. } \mu\left(X - \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{i=k}^{\infty} E_{n_i}\right) = \mu(X)\right).$$

By [2, Lemma 4.1], we know that the autocontinuity from above (resp. from below) implies the property (S) (resp. (PS)).

Example 5.2 in [3] says that the property (S) (resp. (PS)) is much weaker than the autocontinuity from above (resp. from below).

**Theorem 1.** Let  $A \in \mathcal{L}$ .  $\mu$  has the property (S) (resp. (PS)) if and only if for each  $f \in \bar{F}$ ,  $\{f_n\} \subset \bar{F}$ , if  $f_n \xrightarrow{\mu} f$  (resp.  $f_n \xrightarrow{p, \mu} f$ ) on  $A$ , then there exists a

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subsequence  $\{f_{n_i}\}$  of  $\{f_n\}$  such that  $f_{n_i} \xrightarrow{a.e.} f$  (resp.  $f_{n_i} \xrightarrow{p.a.e.} f$ ) on  $A$ .

**Proof.** Necessity: It is similar to the proof of Theorem 4.1 in [2].

Sufficiency: We may assume  $A = X$  without any loss of generality. For arbitrary  $\{B_n\} \subset \mathcal{L}$  with  $\mu(B_n) \rightarrow 0$ , let

$$f_n(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \in B_n, \\ 1, & x \in B_n^c. \end{cases}$$

It is obvious that  $f_n \xrightarrow{\mu} 0$ . By the hypothesis of sufficiency, there exists a subsequence  $\{f_{n_i}\}$  of  $\{f_n\}$  such that  $f_{n_i} \xrightarrow{a.e.} 0$ . Thus, there exists a set  $B$ , such that  $\mu(B) = 0$  and such that  $f_{n_i} \rightarrow 0$  on  $B^c$  (the complementary set of  $B$ ). By the construction of  $\{f_n\}$ , it is not difficult to prove that  $\{x: f_{n_i}(x) \rightarrow 0\} = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{i=k}^{\infty} B_{n_i}^c$ , and hence,  $\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{i=k}^{\infty} B_{n_i}^c \supset B^c$ , that is,  $\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{i=k}^{\infty} B_{n_i} \subset B$ . Further we have  $\mu(\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{i=k}^{\infty} B_{n_i}) \leq \mu(B) = 0$ . With an argument which is similar to preceding procedure, we can show latter part of the theorem. This completes the proof of the theorem.  $\square$

**Remark 1.** The theorem is a substantial improvement of [2, Theorem 4.1] (Riesz’s theorem on fuzzy measure spaces).

Analogously, we give the following definition and theorem.

**Definition 3.** Let  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $\{f_n\} \subset \bar{\mathcal{F}}$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ . If

$$\lim_{\substack{n \rightarrow \infty \\ m \rightarrow \infty}} |f_n - f_m| = 0 \quad [\text{a.e.}] \quad (\text{resp. } [\text{p.a.e.}], [\mu], [\text{p.}\mu])$$

on  $A$  then we say that  $\{f_n\}$  converges fundamentally [a.e.] (resp. [p.a.e.],  $[\mu]$ ,  $[\text{p.}\mu]$ ) on  $A$ .

**Theorem 2.** Let  $A \in \mathcal{L}$ ,  $\{f_n\} \subset \bar{\mathcal{F}}$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ .  $\mu$  has the property (S) (resp. (PS)) if and only if, if  $\{f_n\}$  is fundamentally  $[\mu]$  (resp.  $[\text{p.}\mu]$ ) convergent on  $A$ , then there exists a subsequence  $\{f_{n_i}\}$  of  $\{f_n\}$  such that  $\{f_{n_i}\}$  is fundamentally [a.e.] (resp. [p.a.e.]) convergent on  $A$ .

**Proof.** Necessity: We only prove the first part of the theorem (the rest can be proved similarly). We

may assume  $A = X$  without loss of generality. By the definition of being fundamental  $[\mu]$  convergent, for any natural number  $k$ , there exists  $n_k(\uparrow)$  such that

$$\mu\left(\left\{x: |f_{n_{k+1}}(x) - f_{n_k}(x)| \geq \frac{1}{2^k}\right\}\right) < \frac{1}{2^k}.$$

Let

$$E_k = \left\{x: |f_{n_{k+1}}(x) - f_{n_k}(x)| \geq \frac{1}{2^k}\right\}$$

then  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mu(E_k) = 0$ . Since  $\mu$  has the property (S), there exists a subsequence  $\{E_{k_i}\}$  of  $\{E_k\}$  such that

$$\mu\left(\limsup_i E_{k_i}\right) = \mu\left(\bigcap_{j=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{i=j}^{\infty} E_{k_i}\right) = 0.$$

In the following, we shall prove that  $\{f_{n_k}\}$  is fundamentally convergent on  $X - \bigcap_{j=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{i=j}^{\infty} E_{k_i}$ . In fact, for every  $x \in X - \bigcap_{j=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{i=j}^{\infty} E_{k_i}$ , there exists a  $j(x) \in \mathbb{N}$  (the set of all natural numbers) such that  $x \in \bigcap_{j=j(x)}^{\infty} E_{k_j}^c$ , or equivalently

$$\begin{aligned} |f_{n_i}(x) - f_{n_k}(x)| &< \sum_{m=k}^{\infty} |f_{n_{m+1}}(x) - f_{n_m}(x)| \\ &\leq \sum_{m=k}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^m} = \frac{1}{2^{k-1}}. \end{aligned}$$

Whenever  $1 \geq k > j(x)$ . Thus, for arbitrary  $\varepsilon > 0$ , we choose  $k_0$  with  $1/2^{k_0-1} < \varepsilon$ , such that

$$|f_{n_i}(x) - f_{n_k}(x)| < \frac{1}{2^{k-1}} < \varepsilon$$

whenever  $1 \geq k > \max\{j(x), k_0\}$ .

Sufficiency: It is similar to the proof of sufficiency of Theorem 1. This completes the proof of the theorem.  $\square$

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