

## SOME SMOOTHNESS PROPERTIES OF MEASURES ON TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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**ABSTRACT.** V. S. Varadarajan has classified the bounded linear functionals on the algebra  $C(X)$  of bounded continuous functions on a topological space  $X$ , according to the properties of their smoothness and related this classification to the corresponding natural classification of finitely additive regular measures on the zero sets of  $X$ . In this paper, some of these results are extended to the linear functionals on an arbitrary uniformly closed algebra  $A$  of bounded functions on a set  $X$ .

**0. Introduction.** Starting from the classical theorem of F. Riesz (1909) there have been a number of attempts to give integral representations of bounded linear functionals on the space  $C(X)$  of bounded continuous functions on a topological space  $X$  under different restrictions on  $X$ . Among them are the results of Banach, Kakutani, Alexandroff, Varadarajan, Kirk, Kirk and Crenshaw, and others. These representations have been used to classify the bounded linear functionals in terms of the representing measures. This paper attempts to generalize some of the results of Varadarajan in this direction.

**1. Representation theorems.** Let  $m$  be a finitely additive bounded real valued set function on a field  $\Sigma$  of subsets of a set  $X$ . For a subfamily  $\omega$  of  $\Sigma$ ,  $m$  is said to be  $\omega$ -regular if for every  $A$  in  $\Sigma$  and for every positive  $\varepsilon$ , there exists  $W$  in  $\omega$  such that  $W \subset A$  and  $|m(B)| < \varepsilon$ , for all  $B$  in  $\Sigma$  with  $B$  contained in  $A - W$ . A family  $\omega$  of subsets of a set  $X$  is called a *full paving* in  $X$  if  $\omega$  contains  $\phi$ ,  $X$  and is closed under finite union and finite intersection. For a full paving  $\omega$  in  $X$ , we denote by  $\mathcal{F}(\omega)$  the field of subsets of  $X$  generated by  $\omega$ , and by  $M(\omega)$  the space of all finitely additive, bounded, real valued,  $\omega$ -regular set functions defined on  $\mathcal{F}(\omega)$ . The space  $M(\omega)$  is a Banach lattice under the usual pointwise operations and total variation norm. Let  $A$  be a uniformly closed algebra of bounded real valued functions on  $X$  which contains the constants and separates the points of  $X$ , and  $A^*$  be its Banach space dual.  $A^*$  is a Banach lattice with the usual definition of non-negative linear functionals. We say that  $M(\omega)$  *represents*  $A^*$  if there exists a Banach lattice isomorphism  $I$  of  $A^*$  onto  $M(\omega)$  such that for every non-negative bounded linear functional  $\psi$

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on  $A$ , we have

$$I\psi(W) = \inf\{\psi(f) \mid f \in A, \chi_w \leq f\}$$

for all  $W$  in  $\omega$ . Here  $\chi_w$  denotes the characteristic function on  $W$ . Obviously this condition on  $I$  makes such an isomorphism unique.

We state two representation theorems. Let  $X$  be a topological space. Let  $C(X)$  denote the algebra of all bounded real valued continuous functions on  $X$  with supremum norm, and  $C(X)^*$  be its Banach space dual. For an  $f$  in  $C(X)$ , the kernel of  $f$  in  $X$  is called a *zero set* in  $X$ . The full paving of all zero sets in  $X$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{Z}(X)$ . The following theorem is proved by Alexandroff [1]. Also see Varadarajan [5].

**THEOREM 1.1.** *There exists a Banach lattice isomorphism  $T$  of  $C(X)^*$  onto  $M(\mathcal{Z}(X))$  and the corresponding elements  $\Lambda \in C(X)^*$  and  $m = T(\Lambda)$  of  $M(\mathcal{Z}(X))$  satisfy the identities,*

$$\Lambda(f) = \int f dm \quad \text{for every } f \in C(X)$$

and

$$m(Z) = \inf\{\Lambda(g) : \chi_Z \leq g\} \quad \text{for every } Z \in \mathcal{Z}(X).$$

*In other words  $M(\mathcal{Z}(X))$  represents  $C(X)^*$ . Here the integration of  $f$  with respect to  $m$  is taken in the sense of Dunford and Schwartz [2].*

There have been attempts to generalize the Alexandroff's theorem to a wider class of functions. Among them are the works of Kirk [3], Kirk and Crenshaw [4]. Given a set  $X$  and a uniformly closed algebra  $A$  of bounded real valued functions on  $X$  which contains the constants and separates the points of  $X$ , there exists, as a consequence of Stone-Weierstrass theorem, a compact Hausdorff space  $X_A$  such that  $X$  can be embedded into  $X_A$  as a dense subspace of  $X_A$  and  $A$  is isomorphic as a Banach lattice to  $C(X_A)$  [2, p. 276]. The topology on  $X$  inherited by the topology of  $X_A$  is denoted by  $\tau_A$ . For an  $f$  in  $A$ , let  $\bar{f}$  denote the unique continuous extension of  $f$  to  $X_A$ . For a subset  $S$  of  $X$ , we denote the closure of  $S$  in  $X_A$  by  $\bar{S}$ . The algebra  $A$  is said to *separate* a full paving  $\omega$  in  $X$  if whenever  $W_1, W_2$  are disjoint sets in  $\omega$ , there exists  $f$  in  $A$  with  $f=0$  on  $W_1$  and  $f=1$  on  $W_2$ . It is obvious that  $A$  separates  $\omega$  if and only if  $\bar{W}_1$  and  $\bar{W}_2$  are disjoint whenever  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  in  $\omega$  are disjoint. However for arbitrary  $W_1, W_2$  in  $\omega$ ,  $\overline{W_1 \cap W_2}$  may fail to be equal to  $\bar{W}_1 \cap \bar{W}_2$ . If  $\overline{W_1 \cap W_2} = \bar{W}_1 \cap \bar{W}_2$  whenever  $W_1, W_2$  are in  $\omega$ , we say that  $A$  *strongly separates*  $\omega$ . A strongly separates  $\omega$  implies that  $A$  separates  $\omega$ . A set  $Z \subset X$  is called a  *$A$ -zero set* if there exists  $f \in A$  such that  $Z = Z(f) = \{x \in X \mid f(x) = 0\}$ . We denote the family of  *$A$ -zero sets* by  $\mathcal{Z}(A)$ .  $\mathcal{Z}(A)$  is a full paving in  $X$  constituting a base for  $\tau_A$ -closed sets in  $X$ . In this case,  $A$  separates  $\mathcal{Z}(A)$  if and only if  $A$  strongly separates  $\mathcal{Z}(A)$ . Furthermore if  $\omega$  is any full paving of  $\tau_A$ -closed sets constituting a base for  $\tau_A$ -closed sets and contains  $\mathcal{Z}(A)$ , then

also  $A$  separates  $\omega$  if and only if  $A$  strongly separates  $\omega$ . Kirk [3] has proved that  $A$  separates  $\mathcal{L}(A)$  if and only if  $M(\mathcal{L}(A))$  represents  $A^*$ . Kirk has also given a class of algebras which do not separate  $\mathcal{L}(A)$ .

A more general case is considered by Kirk and Crenshaw. The following theorem is proved in [4].

**THEOREM 1.2.** *Let  $A$  be a uniformly closed algebra of bounded real valued functions on  $X$  which contains the constants and separates the points of  $X$  and let  $\omega$  be a full paving of  $\tau_A$ -closed subsets of  $X$ . Then  $M(\omega)$  represents  $A^*$  if and only if*

1.  $A$  strongly separates  $\omega$ .
2. For any  $0 \leq \psi \in A^*$  and  $Z \in \mathcal{L}(A)$ ,

$$\sup_{W \in \omega(Z)} \inf\{\psi(f) \mid \chi_W \leq f\} = \sup\{\psi(g) \mid g \in A, g \leq \chi_{X-Z}\}$$

where  $\omega(Z) = \{W \in \omega \mid \text{there exists } f \in A \text{ with } f(Z) = 0 \text{ and } f(W) = 1\}$ . Furthermore if  $M(\omega)$  represents  $A^*$  and  $m \in M(\omega)$ , then each  $f \in A$  is  $m$ -integrable with  $I^{-1}m(f) = \int f dm$ .

Varadarajan [5] has classified the bounded linear functionals on  $C(X)$  in accordance with their properties of smoothness and applied Alexandroff's theorem to relate this classification of functionals to the corresponding natural classification of elements of  $M(\mathcal{L}(X))$ . In this paper we apply the theorem of Kirk and Crenshaw to relate the classification of bounded linear functionals on  $A$  to the corresponding classification of elements of  $M(\omega)$  where  $M(\omega)$  represents  $A^*$  and thus generalize some results of Varadarajan.

**2. Classification of functionals and measures.** Throughout this section  $X$  is an arbitrary set,  $\omega$  is a full paving in  $X$  and  $A$  is a uniformly closed algebra of bounded real valued functions on  $X$  containing the constants and separating the points of  $X$ . The symbols  $\mathcal{F}(\omega)$ ,  $M(\omega)$ ,  $X_\tau$ ,  $\mathcal{L}(X)$ ,  $\mathcal{L}(A)$  all have the same meanings as defined in §1.

For a net  $\{f_\alpha\}$  in  $A$  we say  $\{f_\alpha\}$  decreases to 0 and write  $f_\alpha \downarrow 0$  if for each  $x \in X$ ,  $0 \leq f_\alpha(x) \leq f_\beta(x)$  whenever  $\alpha \geq \beta$  and  $\lim_\alpha f_\alpha(x) = 0$ . The symbol  $f_n \downarrow 0$  is analogously defined for a sequence  $\{f_n\}$  in  $A$ .

**DEFINITIONS 2.1.** Let  $\psi \in A^*$ . Then  $\psi$  is said to be

- (i)  $\tau$ -smooth if  $\lim_\alpha \psi(f_\alpha) = 0$  whenever  $\{f_\alpha\}$  is a net in  $A$  with  $f_\alpha \downarrow 0$ .
- (ii)  $\sigma$ -smooth if  $\lim_n \psi(f_n) = 0$  whenever  $\{f_n\}$  is a sequence in  $A$  with  $f_n \downarrow 0$ .

The space of all  $\tau$ -smooth and  $\sigma$ -smooth functionals in  $A^*$  are denoted by  $A_\tau^*$  and  $A_\sigma^*$  respectively. Clearly

$$A_\tau^* \subset A_\sigma^* \subset A^*.$$

Following the theorems 7 and 8 of part I in [5] we can prove

PROPOSITION 2.2.  $\psi \in A^*$  is  $\tau$ -smooth ( $\sigma$ -smooth) if and only if its positive and negative variations  $\psi^+$  and  $\psi^-$  are  $\tau$ -smooth ( $\sigma$ -smooth). Consequently  $\psi$  is  $\tau$ -smooth ( $\sigma$ -smooth) if and only if its total variation  $|\psi|$  is  $\tau$ -smooth ( $\sigma$ -smooth).

DEFINITIONS 2.3. For a net  $\{A_\alpha\}$  of subsets of  $X$  we say that  $A_\alpha$  decreases to  $\phi$  and we write  $A_\alpha \downarrow \phi$  if  $A_\alpha \subset A_\beta$  whenever  $\alpha \geq \beta$  and  $\bigcap_\alpha A_\alpha = \phi$ . We similarly define the symbol  $A_n \downarrow \phi$  for a sequence  $\{A_n\}$  of subsets of  $X$ .

Let  $m \in M(\omega)$  and let  $|m|$  be the total variation of  $m$ . Then  $m$  is said to be

- (i)  $\tau$ -smooth if  $|m|(W_\alpha) \rightarrow 0$  for every net  $\{W_\alpha\}$  in  $\omega$  with  $W_\alpha \downarrow \phi$ .
- (ii)  $\sigma$ -smooth if  $|m|(W_n) \rightarrow 0$  for every sequence  $\{W_n\}$  in  $\omega$  with  $W_n \downarrow \phi$ .

The space of all  $\tau$ -smooth and  $\sigma$ -smooth elements in  $M(\omega)$  are denoted by  $M_\tau(\omega)$  and  $M_\sigma(\omega)$  respectively. Clearly  $M_\tau(\omega) \subset M_\sigma(\omega) \subset M(\omega)$ .

It is immediate from the definition that  $m$  is  $\tau$ -smooth ( $\sigma$ -smooth) if and only if its positive and negative variation  $m^+$  and  $m^-$  are  $\tau$ -smooth ( $\sigma$ -smooth). Hence  $m$  is  $\tau$ -smooth ( $\sigma$ -smooth) if and only if  $|m|$  is so.

The next result proves that a  $\sigma$ -smooth  $m \in M(\omega)$  is  $\sigma$ -additive.

PROPOSITION 2.4. An  $m \in M(\omega)$  is  $\sigma$ -smooth if and only if for every sequence  $\{A_n\}$  in  $\mathcal{F}(\omega)$  with  $A_n \downarrow \phi$ , we have  $m(A_n) \rightarrow 0$ .

**Proof.** Without loss of generality we assume that  $m$  is non-negative so that  $|m| = m$ . Suppose  $m$  is  $\sigma$ -smooth. Suppose  $m(A_n) \rightarrow \delta > 0$  for some sequence  $\{A_n\}$  in  $\mathcal{F}(\omega)$  with  $A_n \downarrow \phi$ . By  $\omega$ -regularity of  $m$ , we can choose  $W_n \in \omega$ ,  $W_n \subset A_n$  such that  $m(A_n) < m(W_n) + \delta/4^n$ . Let  $\hat{W}_n = W_1 \cap W_2 \cap \dots \cap W_n$ . Then  $\{\hat{W}_n\} \subset \omega$  with  $\hat{W}_n \downarrow \phi$ . However

$$\begin{aligned} m(\hat{W}_n) &= m(A_n - (A_n - \hat{W}_n)) \\ &\geq m(A_n) - \sum_{i=1}^n m(A_i - W_i) \\ &\geq m(A_n) - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\delta}{4^i} \\ &\rightarrow \frac{2}{3}\delta > 0. \end{aligned}$$

This contradicts the fact that  $m$  is  $\sigma$ -smooth and proves that we must have  $m(A_n) \rightarrow 0$ .

The converse is obvious.

As an immediate consequence we have

COROLLARY 2.5. An  $m \in M(\omega)$  is  $\sigma$ -smooth if and only if for every disjoint sequence  $\{A_n\}$  in  $\mathcal{F}(\omega)$  for which  $\bigcup_{n=1}^\infty A_n \in \mathcal{F}(\omega)$ , we have  $m(\bigcup_{n=1}^\infty A_n) = \sum_{n=1}^\infty m(A_n)$ .

We give below two examples one of which is not  $\sigma$ -smooth whereas the other is  $\sigma$ -smooth but not  $\tau$ -smooth.

EXAMPLE 2.6. Let  $X = \mathbb{R}$ . Let  $\omega = \{(-\infty, a] \mid a \in \mathbb{R}\} \cup \{X, \phi\}$ . Then  $\omega$  is a full paving in  $X$ . Define  $m$  on  $\mathcal{F}(\omega)$  by

$$m(W) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if either } W = X \text{ or } (-\infty, a] \subset W \text{ for some } a \in \mathbb{R} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then  $m \in M(\omega)$ . However  $m$  is not  $\sigma$ -smooth. Indeed let  $A_n = (-n-1, -n]$  for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ . Then  $\{A_n\}$  is a disjoint sequence in  $\mathcal{F}(\omega)$  with  $\bigcup_{n=1}^\infty A_n = (-\infty, -1] \in \mathcal{F}(\omega)$ . Hence  $m(\bigcup_{n=1}^\infty A_n) = 1$  whereas  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty m(A_n) = 0$  since  $m(A_n) = 0$  for each  $n$ .

EXAMPLE 2.7. Let  $X = \Omega$  where  $\Omega$  is the first uncountable ordinal. For each  $\alpha \in \Omega$  let  $W_\alpha = \{\lambda \in X \mid \alpha < \lambda < \Omega\}$ . Let  $\omega = \{W_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \Omega\} \cup \{X, \phi\}$ . Then  $\omega$  is a full paving in  $X$ . Define  $m$  on  $\mathcal{F}(\omega)$  by

$$m(W) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } W_\alpha \subset W \text{ for some } \alpha \in \Omega \text{ or } W = X \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then  $m \in M(\omega)$ . Let  $\{W_n\}$  be any sequence in  $\omega$  with  $W_n \downarrow \phi$ . We can assume that  $W_n \neq X$  for any  $n$ . Suppose  $W_n \neq \phi$  for all  $n$ . Let  $W_n = W_{\alpha_n}$  where  $\alpha_n \in \Omega$ . Since the set of positive integers is countable and  $\Omega$  is the first uncountable ordinal there exists  $\alpha \in \Omega$  such that  $\alpha_n \leq \alpha$  for all  $n$ . Then  $W_\alpha \subset W_n$  for each  $n$  contradicting the fact that  $W_n \downarrow \phi$ . Hence  $W_n = \phi$  for all  $n \geq n_0$  for some  $n_0$  so that  $m(W_n) \rightarrow 0$ . Thus  $m$  is  $\sigma$ -smooth. However  $m$  is not  $\tau$ -smooth since  $\{W_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \Omega\}$  is a net in  $\omega$  with  $W_\alpha \downarrow \phi$  but  $m(W_\alpha) = 1$  for each  $\alpha \in \Omega$ .

Now suppose  $\omega$  is a full paving of subsets of  $X$  such that  $M(\omega)$  represents  $A^*$ . Then (i) Does  $M_\sigma(\omega)$  necessarily correspond to  $A_\sigma^*$ ? (ii) Does  $M_\tau(\omega)$  necessarily correspond to  $A_\tau^*$ ? With  $X$  a topological space,  $\omega = \mathcal{Z}(X)$  and  $A = C(X)$  both questions (i) and (ii) have been answered affirmatively by Varadarajan [5]. However the Example 2.8 below shows that this is not true in general. We prove in Theorem 2.10 that if  $\omega = \mathcal{Z}(A)$  is the full paving of  $A$ -zero sets and  $A$  is such that  $M(\mathcal{Z}(A))$  represents  $A^*$  then  $M_\sigma(\omega)$  necessarily corresponds to  $A_\sigma^*$ . As is already pointed out,  $M(\mathcal{Z}(A))$  represents  $A^*$  iff  $A$  separates  $\mathcal{Z}(A)$ . Furthermore if  $M(\mathcal{Z}(A))$  represents  $A^*$ , in general  $A$  need not be equal to  $C(X)$ ;  $A = C(X)$  if and only if  $\mathcal{Z}(A) = \mathcal{Z}(X)$ . (See Example 3.5 and Theorem 3.12 of [3]). Also if  $M(\mathcal{Z}(A))$  represents  $A^*$  then  $\mathcal{Z}(A)$  is a normal base in  $X$  and  $X_A$  is the Wallman compactification of  $X$  relative to the normal base  $\mathcal{Z}(A)$ . Finally in Theorem 2.11 we prove that if  $\omega$  is a base of  $\tau_A$ -closed sets, then  $M_\tau(\omega)$  necessarily corresponds to  $A_\tau$ .

The following example is due to Kirk and Crenshaw [4].

**EXAMPLE 2.8.** Topologize the closed unit disk  $S$  in the plane as follows: For a non-zero  $z_0 \in S$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , let  $N(z_0, \varepsilon)$  denote the set of all  $z \in S$  which lie on the radius of the disk through  $z_0$  and satisfy  $|z_0| - \varepsilon < |z| < |z_0| + \varepsilon$ . The family of sets  $N(z_0, \varepsilon)$ ,  $0 < \varepsilon < |z_0|$  forms a base for the neighbourhood system at  $z_0$ . A basic neighbourhood  $N(0; z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n)$  of  $0 \in S$  is the whole disk deleting a finite number of closed segments of the radii from  $z_k$  to the boundary of  $S$  for  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Since every basic open cover of  $S$  contains a neighbourhood of  $0$  which itself covers  $S$  except a finite number of compact line segments,  $S$ , with this topology, is compact Hausdorff. We take  $X = S - \{0\}$ .

Let  $A$  be the algebra of all restrictions  $f$  to  $X$  of the elements  $\bar{f}$  of  $C(S)$ . Then  $X_A = S$  and  $\tau_A$  is the relative topology on  $X$  induced by the topology of  $S$ . Let  $\omega$  be the full paving on  $X$  generated by the  $A$ -zero sets together with the closed sets of the form  $B_\varepsilon = \{z \in X \mid |z| \leq \varepsilon\}$ ,  $0 < \varepsilon \leq 1$ . For an  $f \in A$ , if  $\bar{f}(0) \neq 0$ , then there is a neighbourhood of  $0$  in  $S$  in which  $f$  does not vanish. So the zero set of  $f$  is compact in  $X$ . If  $\bar{f}(0) = 0$ , then for every positive integer  $n$ , there is a neighbourhood of  $0$  in which  $|f(x)| < 1/n$ , so that  $f$  vanishes in the intersection of these neighbourhoods. Thus, in this case the zero set of  $f$  is the whole disk except possibly a countable number of radius-segments deleted. Then a routine verification shows that  $A$  separates  $\omega$ . Also  $\omega \supset \mathcal{Z}(A)$  forms a base for closed sets of  $X$ . Hence  $M(\omega)$  represents  $A^*$  (Theorem 5.11 of [3]).

Now define  $\psi \in A^*$  by  $\psi(f) = \bar{f}(0)$  for every  $f \in A$ . If  $\{f_n\}$  is a sequence in  $A$  with  $f_n \downarrow 0$  pointwise on  $X$ , then  $\bar{f}_n(0) \downarrow 0$ . For otherwise, by continuity of  $f_n$  there is an  $x \in X$  such that,  $f_n(x) > \alpha > 0$  for infinitely many  $n$  which is not possible. Thus  $\psi$  is  $\sigma$ -smooth. If  $m \in M(\omega)$  is the representing measure of  $\psi$ , then  $m(B_\varepsilon) = \inf\{\psi(f) \mid \chi_{B_\varepsilon} \leq f\} = 1$  for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Thus  $B_{1/n} \downarrow \phi$  in  $\omega$  whereas  $m(B_{1/n}) \not\rightarrow 0$ . Hence  $m$  is not  $\sigma$ -smooth.

**PROPOSITION 2.9.** *Let  $M(\omega)$  represent  $A^*$  and let  $m \in M(\omega)$ . If  $m$  is  $\sigma$ -smooth then the corresponding linear functional  $\psi \in A^*$  is  $\sigma$ -smooth.*

**Proof.** We may assume  $m \geq 0$ . Then  $m$  is a countably additive measure. The result follows from an application of Lebesgue monotone convergence theorem.

**THEOREM 2.10.** *Let  $M(\mathcal{Z}(A))$  represent  $A^*$  and  $m \in M(\mathcal{Z}(A))$ . Then  $m$  is  $\sigma$ -smooth if and only if the corresponding bounded linear functional  $\psi \in A^*$  is  $\sigma$ -smooth.*

**Proof.** If  $m$  is  $\sigma$ -smooth then  $\psi$  is  $\sigma$ -smooth by Proposition 2.9. Conversely suppose  $\psi$  is  $\sigma$ -smooth. Let  $\{Z_n\}$  be a sequence in  $\mathcal{Z}(A)$  with  $Z_n \downarrow \phi$ . For each  $k$  choose  $f_k^* \in A$  with  $0 \leq f_k^* \leq 1$  and  $Z_k = Z(f_k^*) = f_k^{*-1}(0)$ . For  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , let  $f_n = \max\{f_1^*, \dots, f_n^*\}$ . Then  $\{f_n\}$  is an increasing sequence in  $A$ .

Furthermore since  $Z_n \downarrow \phi$  we have  $Z_n = f_n^{-1}(0)$  for each  $n$ . Let

$$U_n = \left\{ x \in X_A \mid \bar{f}_n(x) < \frac{1}{n} \right\}$$

and

$$V_n = \left\{ x \in X \mid f_n(x) \leq \frac{1}{n+1} \right\}.$$

where  $\bar{f}_n$  is the unique continuous extension of  $f_n$  to  $X_A$ . Clearly  $\bar{V}_n \subset U_n \subset \bar{V}_{n-1}$  for each  $n$ . We claim that  $V_n \downarrow \phi$ . Let  $x \in X$ . Since  $Z_n \downarrow \phi$ , there is some  $n_0$  such that  $x \notin Z_n$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ . Therefore  $f_n(x) > 0$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ . In particular  $f_{n_0}(x) > 0$ . Choose  $n_1 > n_0$  such that  $f_{n_0}(x)n_1 > 1$ . Then  $f_{n_1}(x) > 1/n_1$  and hence  $x \notin V_{n_1}$ . This proves that  $V_n \downarrow \phi$ .

Since  $\bar{V}_n$  and  $X_A - U_n$  are disjoint closed sets in the compact Hausdorff space  $X_A$ , there exists by Urysohn's lemma,  $\bar{g}_n \in C(X_A)$  such that  $\bar{g}_n(\bar{V}_n) = 1$  and  $\bar{g}_n(X_A - U_n) = 0$  for each  $n$ . Let  $\bar{h}_n = \min(\bar{g}_1, \bar{g}_2, \dots, \bar{g}_n)$ . Then  $\bar{h}_n \in C(X_A)$  with  $\bar{h}_n(\bar{V}_n) = 1$  and  $\bar{h}_n(X_A - U_n) = 0$ . Let  $h_n$  be the restriction of  $\bar{h}_n$  to  $X$ . Then  $\{h_n\}$  is a decreasing sequence in  $A$  with  $h_n(V_n) = 1$  and  $h_n(X - V_{n-1}) = 0$ . Furthermore  $h_n \downarrow 0$ . In fact, if  $x \in X$ , since  $V_n \downarrow \phi$ , there exists  $n_0$  such that  $x \notin V_n$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ . Then

$$h_n(x) = 0 \quad \text{for all } n \geq n_0.$$

Now since  $M(\mathcal{L}(A))$  represents  $A^*$ , each  $h_n$  is  $m$ -integrable and

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(h_n) &= \int h_n \, dm \\ &= \int_{V_n} h_n \, dm + \int_{V_{n-1} - V_n} h_n \, dm + \int_{X - V_{n-1}} h_n \, dm \\ &\geq m(V_n) \geq m(Z_n). \end{aligned}$$

Then  $m(Z_n) \leq \psi(h_n) \rightarrow 0$ .

This proves that  $m$  is  $\sigma$ -smooth and completes the proof of the theorem.

**THEOREM 2.11.** *Let  $\omega$  be a full paving of  $\tau_A$ -closed sets forming a base for  $\tau_A$ -closed sets in  $X$ . Let  $M(\omega)$  represent  $A^*$ . Then  $m \in M(\omega)$  is  $\tau$ -smooth if and only if the corresponding  $\psi \in A^*$  is  $\tau$ -smooth.*

**Proof.** Without loss of generality we may assume that  $m$  and  $\psi$  are non-negative. Suppose  $\psi$  is  $\tau$ -smooth. Let  $\{W_\alpha\} \subset \omega$  with  $W_\alpha \downarrow \phi$ . Let  $D = \{f \in A \mid 0 \leq f \leq 1 \text{ } f = 1 \text{ on some } W_\alpha\} = \{f_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ , where  $\Lambda$  is so chosen that  $\lambda \leq \mu$  if and only if  $f_\lambda \geq f_\mu$ . Since  $W_\alpha \downarrow \phi$ , it is not hard to check that  $\{f_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is a decreasing net. Furthermore  $f_\lambda \downarrow 0$ . Let  $x \in X$ . There exists  $\alpha$  for which  $x \notin W_\alpha$ . Since  $W_\alpha$  is  $\tau_A$ -closed,  $x \notin \bar{W}_\alpha$ . Then by Urysohn's lemma we can choose  $\bar{f} \in C(X_A)$  such that  $0 \leq \bar{f} \leq 1$ ,  $\bar{f}(x) = 0$  and  $\bar{f} = 1$  on  $\bar{W}_\alpha$ . If  $f$  is the restriction of  $\bar{f}$  to  $X$  then  $f(x) = 0$  and  $f \in D$ . Let  $f = f_{\lambda_0}$ . Then for any  $\lambda \geq \lambda_0$ ,



$f_\lambda(x) \leq f_{\lambda_0}(x) = 0$ . Thus  $f_\lambda \downarrow 0$ . Given  $\varepsilon > 0$  choose  $\lambda_1 \in \Lambda$  and  $\alpha_0$  such that  $\psi(f_{\lambda_1}) < \varepsilon$  and  $f_{\lambda_1} = 1$  on  $W_{\alpha_0}$ . Then for all  $\alpha \geq \alpha_0$   $m(W_\alpha) \leq (m(W_{\alpha_0}) \leq \psi(f_{\lambda_1}) < \varepsilon$ . This proves that  $\lim m(W_\alpha) = 0$  so that  $m$  is  $\tau$ -smooth.

Conversely suppose  $m$  is  $\tau$ -smooth. Without loss of generality we assume  $m(X) = 1$ . Let  $\{f_\alpha\} \subset A$  with  $f_\alpha \downarrow 0$ . Assume  $\|f_\alpha\| \leq 1$  for each  $\alpha$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be arbitrary. For each  $\alpha$  let  $Z_\alpha = \{x \in X \mid f_\alpha(x) \geq \varepsilon/2\}$ . Then  $Z_\alpha$  is  $\tau_A$ -closed with  $Z_\alpha \downarrow \phi$ . Since  $\omega$  is a base for  $\tau_A$ -closed sets for each  $Z_\alpha$  there is some  $W \in \omega$  with  $Z_\alpha \subset W$ . Let  $D_0 = \{W \in \omega \mid \text{there is some } Z_\alpha \text{ with } Z_\alpha \subset W\} = \{W_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda_0\}$  where  $\Lambda_0$  is so chosen that  $\lambda \leq \mu$  if and only if  $W_\mu \subset W_\lambda$ . Since  $Z_\alpha \downarrow \phi$  it follows that  $\{W_\lambda\}$  is a decreasing net with  $W_\lambda \downarrow \phi$ . Hence  $m(W_\lambda) \rightarrow 0$ . Choose  $\lambda_0$  such that  $m(W_\lambda) < \varepsilon/2$  for all  $\lambda \geq \lambda_0$ . Choose  $Z_{\alpha_0}$  such that  $Z_{\alpha_0} \subset W_{\lambda_0}$ . Then for all  $\alpha \geq \alpha_0$

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(f_\alpha) &= \int_X f_\alpha \, dm \\ &= \int_{X-Z_\alpha} f_\alpha \, dm + \int_{Z_\alpha} f_\alpha \, dm \\ &< \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + m(Z_{\alpha_0}) \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + m(W_{\lambda_0}) < \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\psi(f_\alpha) \rightarrow 0$ . This completes the proof.

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