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## ON THE PRODUCT OF $M$ -MEASURES IN $l$ -GROUPS

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ABSTRACT. Some extension-type theorems and compactness properties for the product of  $l$ -group-valued  $M$ -measures are proved.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

In the study of probability theory, in many applications it is advisable to deal with set functions, which are not necessarily additive, but satisfy other properties: for example, continuity from below and from above for sequences of sets and "compatibility" with respect to the operations of finite suprema and infima. These functions are called  $M$ -measures (see [7, 12, 21]).

For example, in decision making, this is the case of the theory of intuitionistic fuzzy events (shortly IF-events), which are pairs  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  of measurable functions  $\mu_A, \nu_A : \Omega \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that  $\mu_A + \nu_A \leq 1$ . For a literature about IF-sets, see [1, 2, 5, 6, 12, 13, 17, 18, 19]. Another application is the theory of joint random variables: in this context the  $M$ -measure extension theorem plays a crucial role in the construction of joint observables. Moreover, to consider lattice-group or Riesz space-valued set functions allows to get applications in stochastic processes and in probabilities depending on the time and/or on the informations of the individual.

In this paper we continue the investigation dealt with in [4] and, starting from an extension-type existence theorem for  $M$ -measures with values in  $l$ -groups, we obtain existence results in the countably compact case for  $M$ -measures and product of  $M$ -measures.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES AND BASIC RESULTS

We begin with the following

**Definition 2.1.** An  $l$ -group (lattice ordered group)  $R$  is said to be

(2.1.1): *Dedekind complete* if every nonempty subset of  $R$ , bounded from above, has supremum in  $R$ ;

(2.1.2): *super Dedekind complete*, if it is Dedekind complete and for any nonempty set  $A \subseteq R$ , bounded from above, there exists a countable subset  $A^* \subseteq A$ , having the same supremum as  $A$ .

(2.1.3): A bounded double sequence  $(a_{i,j})_{i,j}$  in  $R$  is called *regulator* or  $(D)$ -sequence if, for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $a_{i,j} \searrow 0$ , that is  $a_{i,j} \geq a_{i,j+1}$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\bigwedge_{j \in \mathbb{N}} a_{i,j} = 0$ .

(2.1.4): Given a sequence  $(r_n)_n$  in  $R$ , we say that  $(r_n)_n$   $(D)$ -converges to an element  $r \in R$  if there is a regulator  $(a_{i,j})_{i,j}$ , such that to every map  $\varphi \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$  there corresponds a positive integer  $k$  with

$$|r_n - r| \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} a_{i,\varphi(i)}$$

for all  $n \geq k$ . In this case, we write  $(D) \lim_n r_n = r$  or simply  $\lim_n r_n = r$ , since no confusion can arise.

**Definition 2.2.** We say that  $R$  is *weakly  $\sigma$ -distributive* if, for every  $(D)$ -sequence  $(a_{i,j})_{i,j}$ ,

$$\bigwedge_{\varphi \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}} \left( \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} a_{i,\varphi(i)} \right) = 0.$$

**Remark 2.3.** Observe that in weakly  $\sigma$ -distributive  $l$ -groups  $(D)$ -convergence for sequences coincides with order convergence. An example of a super Dedekind complete weakly  $\sigma$ -distributive  $l$ -group is the space  $L^0(Y, \Sigma, \nu)$ , where  $(Y, \Sigma, \nu)$  is a measure space with  $\nu$   $\sigma$ -additive and  $\sigma$ -finite, see [14].

From now on, let  $X$  be a set and  $\mathcal{W}$  be an algebra of subsets of  $X$ .

**Definition 2.4.** A family  $\mathcal{A}$  of subsets of  $X$  is called *monotone class* if the following properties hold:

- (a):  $\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n \in \mathcal{A}$  for every non-decreasing sequence  $(A_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  in  $\mathcal{A}$ ,
- (b):  $\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n \in \mathcal{A}$  for every non-increasing sequence  $(A_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  in  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**Definition 2.5.** A family  $\mathcal{K}$  of subsets of  $X$  is called *countably compact class*, if for every sequence  $(C_n)_n$  of elements of  $\mathcal{K}$  we get  $\bigcap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} C_i \neq \emptyset$  whenever  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n C_i \neq \emptyset$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Definition 2.6.** A set function  $\lambda : \mathcal{W} \rightarrow R$  is said to be *countably compact*, if there is a countably compact class  $\mathcal{K}$  with the property that for any  $A \in \mathcal{W}$  there corresponds a  $(D)$ -sequence  $(a_{i,j})_{i,j}$  such that to any  $\varphi \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$  two sets  $B \in \mathcal{W}$ ,  $C \in \mathcal{K}$  can be found, with  $B \subseteq C \subseteq A$  and  $\lambda(A \setminus B) \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} a_{i,\varphi(i)}$ .

In the sequel we will use the following fundamental results ([8, 9, 10, 20]).

**Lemma 2.7.** ([20], Theorem 3.2.3) *Let  $\{(a_{i,j}^{(n)})_{i,j} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be any countable family of regulators. Then for each fixed element  $u \in R$ ,  $u \geq 0$ , there exists a regulator  $(a_{i,j})_{i,j}$  such that, for every  $\varphi \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$ ,*

$$u \wedge \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} a_{i,\varphi(i+n)}^{(n)} \right) \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} a_{i,\varphi(i)}.$$

**Theorem 2.8.** ([11], Theorem 1.6.B) *If  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X)$  is a monotone class of sets such that*

- (c):  $\mathcal{W} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$ ,

*then  $\mathcal{A}$  includes the  $\sigma$ -algebra of subsets of  $X$   $\sigma(\mathcal{W})$  generated by  $\mathcal{W}$ .*

**Lemma 2.9.** ([10], Lemma 413R) *Let  $\mathcal{K}$  be a countably compact class of sets. Then there is a countably compact class  $\mathcal{K}^* \supseteq \mathcal{K}$  such that  $K \cup L \in \mathcal{K}^*$  and  $\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} K_n \in \mathcal{K}^*$  whenever  $K, L \in \mathcal{K}^*$  and  $(K_n)_n$  is a sequence in  $\mathcal{K}^*$ .*

**Definition 2.10.** A set function  $\mu : \mathcal{W} \rightarrow R$  is called *M-measure* if it satisfies the following properties:

- (2.10.i):  $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$ ;
- (2.10.ii):  $\mu(A \cup B) = \mu(A) \vee \mu(B) = \sup(\mu(A), \mu(B))$  for all  $A, B \in \mathcal{W}$ ;
- (2.10.iii):  $\mu(A \cap B) = \mu(A) \wedge \mu(B) = \inf(\mu(A), \mu(B))$  for any  $A, B \in \mathcal{W}$ ;
- (2.10.iv):  $\mu$  is *continuous* both from below and from above, that is: if  $A_n \nearrow A$ , (resp.  $B_n \searrow B$ ),  $A_n, A$  ( $B_n, B$ )  $\in \mathcal{W}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\mu(A_n) \nearrow \mu(A)$  ( $\mu(B_n) \searrow \mu(B)$ ).

It is known that

**Theorem 2.11.** ([4], Theorem 3.1) *Let  $R$  be a super Dedekind complete weakly  $\sigma$ -distributive  $l$ -group. For every bounded  $R$ -valued  $M$ -measure  $\mu$ , defined on a ring  $\mathcal{W}$ , there is a unique  $M$ -measure  $\bar{\mu}$  defined on the  $\sigma$ -ring  $\sigma(\mathcal{W})$  generated by  $\mathcal{W}$ , extending  $\mu$ .*

The line of the proof of this theorem is the following: at the first step, the  $M$ -measure  $\mu$  is extended to  $\mathcal{W}^+$ , which is the class of all sets  $A$  of the type

$$A := \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n, \quad \text{with } A_n \subset A_{n+1}, \quad A_n \in \mathcal{W} \quad \text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N},$$

by setting  $\mu^+(A) = \lim_n \mu(A_n)$  (the limit exists in  $R$  and does not depend on the choice of the sequence  $(A_n)_n$ ).

Successively, it is extended to  $\mathcal{W}^*$ , which is the ideal generated by  $\mathcal{W}^+$ , by setting  $\mu^*(A) = \inf\{\mu^+(B) : B \in \mathcal{W}^+, B \supset A\}$  for every  $A \in \mathcal{W}^*$ . Then it is proved that  $\bar{\mu} := \mu^*_{|\sigma(\mathcal{W})}$  is an  $M$ -measure, extending  $\mu$ . Finally, in order to prove uniqueness, observe that, if  $\nu : \sigma(\mathcal{W}) \rightarrow R$  is an  $M$ -measure which extends  $\mu$ , then it coincides with  $\bar{\mu}$  on a monotone family containing  $\mathcal{W}$ , and this concludes the assertion.

We denote by  $\bar{\mu} : \sigma(\mathcal{W}) \rightarrow R$  this extension. Observe that:

**Theorem 2.12.** *If  $\mu$  is countably compact, then  $\bar{\mu}$  is countably compact too.*

**Proof:** Let  $\mathcal{K}$  be the countably compact class related with countable compactness of  $\mu$  and  $\mathcal{K}^* \supseteq \mathcal{K}$  be a countably compact class associated with  $\mathcal{K}$ , closed with respect to finite unions and countable intersections, existing by virtue of Lemma 2.9. Set

$$(2.1) \quad \mathcal{L} = \{A \in \sigma(\mathcal{W}) : \text{there is a regulator } (a_{i,j}^{(A)})_{i,j} \text{ such that } \forall \varphi \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}} \\ \exists B_A \in \sigma(\mathcal{W}), C_A \in \mathcal{K}^* : B_A \subseteq C_A \subseteq A \text{ and } \bar{\mu}(A \setminus B_A) \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} a_{i,\varphi(i)}^{(A)}\}.$$

It is enough to prove that  $\mathcal{L}$  satisfies Theorem 2.8. First of all, the inclusion  $\mathcal{W} \subseteq \mathcal{L}$  follows directly from the definition of countably compact measure. We now prove that  $\mathcal{L}$  is a monotone class.

If  $(A_n)_n$  is a non-decreasing sequence in  $\mathcal{L}$ , let  $A = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n$ . Since  $\bar{\mu}$  is continuous from below, there is a regulator  $(b_{i,j})_{i,j}$  with the property that to every  $\varphi \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$  there corresponds a positive integer  $k$  with  $\bar{\mu}(A \setminus A_n) \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} b_{i,\varphi(i)}$  whenever  $n \geq k$ . By (2.1), in correspondence with  $A_k$  let  $(a_{i,j}^{(k)})_{i,j}$  be the associated regulator,  $B_k \in \sigma(\mathcal{W})$ ,  $C_k \in \mathcal{K}^*$  be such that  $B_k \subseteq C_k \subseteq A_k \subseteq A$  and

$$\bar{\mu}(A_k \setminus B_k) \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} a_{i,\varphi(i)}^{(k)}.$$

Set  $c_{i,j}^{(k)} = 2(a_{i,j}^{(k)} + b_{i,j})$ ,  $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$ . The double sequence  $(c_{i,j})_{i,j}$  is a regulator. We obtain:

$$\bar{\mu}(A \setminus B_k) \leq \bar{\mu}(A \setminus A_k) + \bar{\mu}(A_k \setminus B_k) \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} c_{i,\varphi(i)}^{(k)};$$

moreover, by Lemma 2.7, there exists a  $(D)$ -sequence  $(f_{i,j})_{i,j}$  such that

$$\bar{\mu}(A \setminus B_k) \leq \bar{\mu}(\Omega) \wedge \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} c_{i,\varphi(i+n)}^{(n)} \right) \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} f_{i,\varphi(i)}.$$

Let now  $(A_n)_n$  be a non-increasing sequence in  $\mathcal{L}$ , and set  $A = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n$ . In correspondence with  $A_n$ , let  $B_n, C_n, (a_{i,j}^{(n)})_{i,j}$  be as in (2.1). Set  $B = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} B_n$ ,  $C = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} C_n$ . Then there is a positive integer  $p$  such that

$$\bar{\mu}(A \setminus B) \leq \bar{\mu}(A_p \setminus B_p) \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} a_{i,\varphi(i+p)}^{(p)}$$

and, by Lemma 2.7, there exists a  $(D)$ -sequence  $(g_{i,j})_{i,j}$  such that

$$\bar{\mu}(A_p \setminus B_p) \leq \bar{\mu}(\Omega) \wedge \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} a_{i,\varphi(i+n)}^{(n)} \right) \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} g_{i,\varphi(i)}.$$

Moreover  $B \subseteq C \subseteq A$ ,  $B \in \sigma(\mathcal{W})$  and  $C \in \mathcal{K}^*$ , since  $\mathcal{K}^*$  is closed with respect to countable intersections. This concludes the proof.  $\square$

### 3. EXISTENCE OF PRODUCT MEASURES

Let  $R$  be a super Dedekind complete weakly  $\sigma$ -distributive  $l$ -group,  $(X, \mathcal{S}, \mu)$ ,  $(Y, \mathcal{T}, \nu)$  be two measure spaces, where  $\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{T}$  are algebras and  $\mu, \nu$  are  $R$ -valued countably compact  $M$ -measures. We want to define the product measure of  $\mu$  and  $\nu$ . By Theorem 2.12 there exist two countably compact  $M$ -measures  $\bar{\mu} : \sigma(\mathcal{S}) \rightarrow R, \bar{\nu} : \sigma(\mathcal{T}) \rightarrow R$ , extending  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  respectively.

Let now  $\mathcal{E}$  be the family of the *elementary sets*, of the type

$$(3.1) \quad \bigcup_{l=1}^n (A_l \times B_l),$$

where  $n \in \mathbb{N}, A_l \in \sigma(\mathcal{S}), B_l \in \sigma(\mathcal{T}), l = 1, \dots, n$ , and  $(A_l \times B_l) \cap (A_s \times B_s) = \emptyset$  whenever  $l \neq s$ . We prove the following:

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $\mu, \nu$  be  $R$ -valued countably compact  $M$ -measures as above. Then there is exactly one countably compact  $M$ -measure  $\bar{\kappa} : \sigma(\mathcal{E}) \rightarrow R$  with*

$$(3.2) \quad \bar{\kappa}(A \times B) = \bar{\mu}(A) \wedge \bar{\nu}(B) \quad \text{for all } A \in \sigma(\mathcal{S}), B \in \sigma(\mathcal{T}).$$

**Proof:** Set

$$\kappa(A \times B) = \bar{\mu}(A) \wedge \bar{\nu}(B), \quad A \in \sigma(\mathcal{S}), B \in \sigma(\mathcal{T}).$$

Let now  $E = A \times B, F = C \times D \in \sigma(\mathcal{S}) \times \sigma(\mathcal{T})$ . We get:

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa(E \cup F) &= \kappa((A \times B) \cup (C \times D)) \\ &= \kappa(((A \setminus C) \times B) \cup ((A \cap C) \times (B \cup D)) \cup ((C \setminus A) \times D)) \\ &= (\bar{\mu}(A \setminus C) \wedge \bar{\nu}(B)) \vee (\bar{\mu}(A \cap C) \wedge \bar{\nu}(B \cup D)) \vee (\bar{\mu}(C \setminus A) \wedge \bar{\nu}(D)) \\ &= (\bar{\mu}(A \setminus C) \wedge \bar{\nu}(B)) \vee (\bar{\mu}(A \cap C) \wedge \bar{\nu}(B)) \vee \\ &\vee (\bar{\mu}(A \cap C) \wedge \bar{\nu}(D)) \vee (\bar{\mu}(C \setminus A) \wedge \bar{\nu}(D)) \\ &= (\bar{\mu}(A) \wedge \bar{\nu}(B)) \vee (\bar{\mu}(C) \wedge \bar{\nu}(D)) = \kappa(E) \vee \kappa(F). \end{aligned}$$

Analogously, it is possible to check that

$$\kappa(E \cap F) = \kappa(E) \wedge \kappa(F) \quad \text{for all } E, F \in \sigma(\mathcal{S}) \times \sigma(\mathcal{T}).$$

If  $E, F \in \mathcal{E}$ , the analogous results follow by virtue of the distributive laws. So,  $\kappa : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow R$  can be defined as follows:

$$\kappa \left( \bigcup_{l=1}^n (A_l \times B_l) \right) = \bigvee_{l=1}^n (\bar{\mu}(A_l) \wedge \bar{\nu}(B_l)).$$

Now, in order to prove that  $\kappa$  is countably compact, we show that for each  $A \in \mathcal{E}$  a  $(D)$ -sequence  $(c_{i,j})_{i,j}$  can be found, with the property that:

$$(3.3) \quad \forall \varphi \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}, \exists B \in \mathcal{E}, \exists C \in \mathcal{K} \quad \text{with } B \subseteq C \subseteq A \text{ and } \kappa(A \setminus B) \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} c_{i,\varphi(i)}.$$

As  $\bar{\mu}$  and  $\bar{\nu}$  are countably compact measures, there are countably compact classes  $\mathcal{K}_1 \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X), \mathcal{K}_2 \subseteq \mathcal{P}(Y)$ , with the following property: for all  $A \in \sigma(\mathcal{S})$  and  $B \in \sigma(\mathcal{T})$  there is a regulator

$(\alpha_{i,j})_{i,j}$  such that  $\forall \varphi \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}} \exists E \in \sigma(\mathcal{S}), C \in \mathcal{K}_1, F \in \sigma(\mathcal{T}), D \in \mathcal{K}_2$ , with  $E \subseteq C \subseteq A$ ,  $F \subseteq D \subseteq B$ ,

$$\sup\{\bar{\mu}(A \setminus E), \bar{\nu}(B \setminus F)\} \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} \alpha_{i,\varphi(i)}.$$

Set now

$$\mathcal{H} = \{E = C \times D : C \in \mathcal{K}_1, D \in \mathcal{K}_2\}.$$

It is easy to see that  $\mathcal{H}$  is countably compact. By [10], Lemma 451H and Lemma 2.9 there exists a countably compact class  $\mathcal{K}$  containing  $\mathcal{H}$ , and closed with respect to finite unions and countable intersections.

Let  $A$  be any element of  $\mathcal{E}$ . There exist  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $A_l \in \mathcal{S}$ ,  $B_l \in \mathcal{T}$ ,  $l = 1, \dots, n$  such that  $A = \bigcup_{l=1}^n (A_l \times B_l)$ . Since  $\bar{\mu}, \bar{\nu}$  are countably compact  $M$ -measures, then to  $l = 1, \dots, n$  there correspond two  $(D)$ -sequences  $(a_{i,j}^{(l)})_{i,j}$ ,  $(b_{i,j}^{(l)})_{i,j}$  and  $H_l \in \mathcal{K}_1, G_l \in \mathcal{K}_2, E_l, F_l \in \mathcal{S}$  with  $E_l \subseteq H_l \subseteq A_l, F_l \subseteq G_l \subseteq B_l$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mu}(A_l \setminus E_l) &\leq \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} a_{i,\varphi(i+l)}^{(l)}, \\ \bar{\nu}(B_l \setminus F_l) &\leq \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} b_{i,\varphi(i+l)}^{(l)}. \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 2.7, there are two regulators  $(a_{i,j})_{i,j}$ ,  $(b_{i,j})_{i,j}$ , with

$$\begin{aligned} [\bar{\mu}(X)] \wedge \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \left( \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} a_{i,\varphi(i+l)}^{(l)} \right) &\leq \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} a_{i,\varphi(i)}, \\ [\bar{\nu}(Y)] \wedge \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \left( \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} b_{i,\varphi(i+l)}^{(l)} \right) &\leq \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} b_{i,\varphi(i)} \quad \text{for all } \varphi \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}. \end{aligned}$$

Put  $c_{i,j} = a_{i,j} \vee b_{i,j}$ ,  $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$ , and

$$C = \bigcup_{l=1}^n (H_l \times G_l), \quad B = \bigcup_{l=1}^n (E_l \times F_l) :$$

we get  $B \subseteq C \subseteq A$ ,  $C \in \mathcal{K}$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa(A \setminus B) &= \kappa \left( \left[ \bigcup_{l=1}^n (A_l \times B_l) \right] \setminus \left[ \bigcup_{s=1}^n (E_s \times F_s) \right] \right) \\ &= \kappa \left( \left[ \bigcup_{l=1}^n ((A_l \setminus E_l) \times B_l) \right] \cup \left[ \bigcup_{s=1}^n (A_s \times (B_s \setminus F_s)) \right] \right) \\ &= \left[ \bigvee_{l=1}^n (\bar{\mu}(A_l \setminus E_l) \wedge \bar{\nu}(B_l)) \right] \vee \left[ \bigvee_{s=1}^n (\bar{\mu}(A_s) \wedge \bar{\nu}(B_s \setminus F_s)) \right] \\ &\leq \left[ \bigvee_{l=1}^n \bar{\mu}(A_l \setminus E_l) \right] \vee \left[ \bigvee_{s=1}^n \bar{\nu}(B_s \setminus F_s) \right] \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} c_{i,\varphi(i)}. \end{aligned}$$

Countable compactness of  $\kappa$  follows.

We now prove **(2.10.iv)**, namely that  $\kappa(A_n) \searrow 0$  (resp.  $\kappa(B_n) \nearrow \kappa(B)$ ) whenever  $(A_n)_n$  is a non-increasing sequence in  $\mathcal{E}$ , with  $\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n = \emptyset$  (resp.  $B_n \in \mathcal{E}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $B_n \nearrow B$ ,  $B \in \mathcal{E}$ ).

Pick now arbitrarily any sequence  $(A_n)_n$  in  $\mathcal{E}$ , with  $A_n \searrow \emptyset$ . Since  $\kappa$  is countably compact, then in correspondence with each positive integer  $n$  a  $(D)$ -sequence  $(d_{i,j}^{(n)})_{i,j}$  and two elements  $B_n \in \mathcal{E}$ ,  $C_n \in \mathcal{K}$  can be found, with  $B_n \subseteq C_n \subseteq A_n$  and

$$\kappa(A_n \setminus B_n) \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} d_{i,\varphi(i+n)}^{(n)}.$$

Again by Lemma 2.7, there exists a  $(D)$ -sequence  $(d_{i,j})_{i,j}$  with the property that

$$[\kappa(X \times Y)] \wedge \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} d_{i,\varphi(i+n)}^{(n)} \right) \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} d_{i,\varphi(i)}.$$

Set now  $D_n = \bigcap_{l=1}^n C_l$ . We get

$$\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} D_n \subseteq \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n = \emptyset.$$

Since  $\mathcal{K}$  is a countably compact class, a positive integer  $m$  can be found, with

$$\bigcap_{l=1}^m B_l \subseteq D_m = \bigcap_{l=1}^m C_l = \emptyset.$$

For each  $n \geq m$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa(A_n) &\leq \kappa(A_m) = \kappa \left( A_m \setminus \left[ \bigcap_{l=1}^m B_l \right] \right) = \kappa \left( \bigcup_{l=1}^m (A_m \setminus B_l) \right) \\ &\leq \kappa \left( \bigcup_{l=1}^m (A_l \setminus B_l) \right) = \bigvee_{l=1}^m \kappa(A_l \setminus B_l) \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} d_{i,\varphi(i)} \end{aligned}$$

and then  $\lim_n \kappa(A_n) = 0$ .

Let now  $B_n \in \mathcal{E}$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ),  $B_n \nearrow B$ ,  $B \in \mathcal{E}$ . Then  $B \setminus B_n \searrow \emptyset$ , and hence

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa(B) &= \kappa((B \setminus B_n) \cup B_n) = \kappa(B \setminus B_n) \vee \kappa(B_n) \\ &\leq \kappa(B \setminus B_n) \vee \left( \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} \kappa(B_i) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus we get:

$$\kappa(B) \leq \lim_n \kappa(B \setminus B_n) \vee \left( \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} \kappa(B_i) \right) = \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} \kappa(B_i) \leq \kappa(B),$$

and hence  $\kappa(B) = \lim_i \kappa(B_i)$ . Furthermore, if  $C_n \searrow C$ , then  $C_n \setminus C \searrow \emptyset$ ,

$$\kappa(C_n) = \kappa((C_n \setminus C) \cup C) = \kappa(C_n \setminus C) \vee \kappa(C),$$

and

$$\bigwedge_{n=1}^{\infty} \kappa(C_n) = \left( \bigwedge_{n=1}^{\infty} \kappa(C_n \setminus C) \right) \vee \kappa(C) = 0 \vee \kappa(C) = \kappa(C).$$

Thus we proved that  $\kappa$  is an  $R$ -valued countably compact  $M$ -measure, defined on  $\mathcal{E}$ . By Theorem 2.12 there is a (unique) countably compact  $M$ -measure  $\bar{\kappa}$ , defined on  $\sigma(\mathcal{E})$  and extending  $\kappa$ .  $\square$

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