

# A Nonsingular Action of the Full Symmetric Group Admits an Equivalent Invariant Measure

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Let  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$  denote the set of all bijections of natural numbers. Consider an action of  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$  on a *measure space*  $(X, \mathfrak{M}, \mu)$ , where  $\mu$  is an  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$ -*quasi-invariant* measure. We prove that there exists an  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$ -invariant measure equivalent to  $\mu$ .

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## 1. Introduction

Let  $\mathbb{N}$  be the set of all natural numbers and let  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$  be the group of all bijections of  $\mathbb{N}$ . This group is called the *infinite full symmetric group*. Given an element  $s \in \overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$ , we put  $\text{supp } s = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : s(n) \neq n\}$ . An element  $s \in \overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$  is called *finite* if  $\#\text{supp } s < \infty$ . The set of all finite elements form the *infinite symmetric group* denoted by  $\mathfrak{S}_\infty$ .

Let  $\text{Aut}(X, \mathfrak{M}, \mu)$  be the set of all *nonsingular* automorphisms of a measure space  $(X, \mathfrak{M}, \mu)$ . Recall that the automorphism  $(X, \mu) \xrightarrow{T} (X, \mu)$  is *nonsingular* if for each measurable  $Y \in \mathfrak{M}$ ,  $\mu(TY) = 0$  if and only if  $\mu(Y) = 0$ . Throughout the paper we suppose that  $\mathfrak{M}$  is the *countably generated*  $\sigma$ -algebra of the measurable subsets of  $X$ . A homomorphism  $\alpha$  from a group  $G$  into  $\text{Aut}(X, \mathfrak{M}, \mu)$  is called the *action* of  $G$  on  $(X, \mathfrak{M}, \mu)$ . It is convenient to assume that  $\alpha$  is a right action of the group  $G$  on  $X$ :  $X \ni x \xrightarrow{\alpha_g} xg \in X$ ,  $g \in G$ . We suppose that

$$\mu(\{x \in X : x(gh) \neq (xg)h\}) = 0$$

for each fixed pair  $g, h \in G$  and  $Ag^{-1} \in \mathfrak{M}$  for all  $A \in \mathfrak{M}$ ,  $g \in G$ . Introduce the measure  $\mu \circ g$  by setting

$$\mu \circ g(A) = \mu(Ag), A \in \mathfrak{M}.$$

Suppose that the measures  $\mu$  and  $\mu \circ g$  are equivalent (i.e., mutually absolutely continuous) for every  $g \in G$ . In this case, the measure  $\mu$  is called  $G$ -*quasi-invariant*. To consider the equivalence class of measures  $\nu$ , equivalent to  $\mu$  (the

measure class of  $\mu$ ), is the same as to say that the action preserves the measure class of  $\mu$ . Any measure of the class is transferred to another measure of the same class. Let  $\frac{d\mu \circ g}{d\mu}$  denote the Radon–Nikodym derivative of  $\mu \circ g$  with respect to  $\mu$ .

For more convenience, we put  $\rho(g, x) = \sqrt{\frac{d\mu \circ g}{d\mu}}(x)$ . Then,

$$\int_X (\rho(g, x))^2 f(xg) d\mu = \int_X f(x) d\mu \quad \text{for all } f \in L^1(X, \mu). \quad (1.1)$$

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let an action of  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$  on  $(X, \mathfrak{M}, \mu)$  be measurable. If the measure  $\mu$  is  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$ -quasi-invariant and the  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathfrak{M}$  is countably generated, then there exists an  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$ -invariant measure  $\nu$  (finite or infinite) equivalent to  $\mu$ .*

## 2. Outline of the proof of Theorem 1.1

Since the action  $X \ni x \mapsto xg \in X, g \in \overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$ , preserves the measure class  $\mu$ , we can define the Koopman representation of  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$  associated to this action. It is given in the space  $L^2(X, \mu)$  by the unitary operators

$$(\mathcal{K}(g)\eta)(x) = \rho(g, x)\eta(xg), \quad \text{where } \eta \in L^2(X, \mu).$$

The separability of  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathfrak{M}$  implies the separability of unitary group of  $L^2(X, \mu)$  in the strong operator topology. Therefore, the homomorphism  $\mathcal{K}$  induces the separable topology on  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$ . But, by [1, Theorem 6.26],  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$  has exactly two separable group topologies, namely, the trivial and the standard Polish topologies. The last one is defined by a fundamental system of the neighborhoods  $\mathfrak{S}(n, \infty) = \{s \in \overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty : s(k) = k \text{ for } k = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  of the identity. Therefore, the representation  $\mathcal{K}$  is continuous. It follows that there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup 0$  and a non-zero  $\xi \in L^2(X, \mu)$  with the property

$$\mathcal{K}(g)\xi = \xi \quad \text{for all } g \in \mathfrak{S}(n, \infty). \quad (2.1)$$

Set  $E = \{x \in X : \xi(x) \neq 0\}$ . Using (2.1), we obtain

$$\mu(E\Delta(Eg)) = 0 \quad \text{for all } g \in \mathfrak{S}(n, \infty). \quad (2.2)$$

For  $A \subset E$ , we define the measure  $\nu$  by

$$\nu(A) = \int_X \chi_A(x) |\xi(x)|^2 d\mu.$$

It follows from (2.1) and (2.2) that  $\nu$  is a  $\mathfrak{S}(n, \infty)$ -invariant measure on  $E$ . This measure can be extended to a  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$ -invariant measure on  $X$ .

## 3. The properties of continuous representations of $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$

To prove Theorem 1.1, we use the general facts about continuous representations of the group  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$ , which have been well studied by A. Lieberman [2]

and G. Olshanski [3, 4]. In this section, we give simple constructions of certain operators and short direct proofs of their properties.

Let  $\mathcal{K}$  be a continuous representation of  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$  in a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ . It follows that for each  $\eta \in \mathcal{H}$ ,

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{s \in \mathfrak{S}(k, \infty)} \|\mathcal{K}(s)\eta - \eta\| = 0. \quad (3.1)$$

Set  ${}^n\sigma_m = (n+1 \ n+m+1)(n+2 \ n+m+2) \cdots (n+m \ n+2m)$ , where  $(k \ j)$  is the permutation of two numbers  $k, j$  while all other numbers remain fixed. We need a few auxiliary lemmas.

**Lemma 3.1.** *The sequence of operators  $\{\mathcal{K}({}^n\sigma_m)\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges in the weak operator topology to a self-adjoint operator  $P_n$ .*

*Proof.* Let us prove that the sequence  $\{\mathcal{K}({}^n\sigma_m)\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$  is fundamental in the weak operator topology. Assuming  $M > m$ , we write  ${}^n\sigma_M$  in the form  ${}^n\sigma_M = s {}^n\sigma_m t$ , where  $s, t \in \mathfrak{S}(n+m, \infty)$ . Hence, using (3.1), we have  $\lim_{m, M \rightarrow \infty} \langle (\mathcal{K}({}^n\sigma_M) - \mathcal{K}({}^n\sigma_m))\eta, \zeta \rangle = 0$  for all  $\eta, \zeta \in \mathcal{H}$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 3.2.** *The operator  $P_n$  is a projection.*

*Proof.* Using lemma 3.1, for any fixed  $\eta, \zeta \in \mathcal{H}$ , we find sequences  $\{m_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  and  $\{M_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  such that  $m_{k+1} > m_k$ ,  $M_k > 2m_k$ , and

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |\langle P_n^2 \eta, \zeta \rangle - \langle \mathcal{K}({}^n\sigma_{M_k}) \mathcal{K}({}^n\sigma_{m_k}) \eta, \zeta \rangle| = 0. \quad (3.2)$$

It should be noticed that  ${}^n\sigma_{M_k} {}^n\sigma_{m_k} = {}^n\sigma_{m_k} s_k$ , where  $s_k \in \mathfrak{S}(n+m_k, \infty)$ . Hence, using (3.1), (3.2), and Lemma 3.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |\langle P_n^2 \eta, \zeta \rangle - \langle \mathcal{K}({}^n\sigma_{m_k}) \mathcal{K}(s_k) \eta, \zeta \rangle| \\ &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |\langle P_n^2 \eta, \zeta \rangle - \langle \mathcal{K}({}^n\sigma_{m_k}) \eta, \zeta \rangle| = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |\langle P_n^2 \eta, \zeta \rangle - \langle P_n \eta, \zeta \rangle|. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 3.3.** *For any  $s \in \mathfrak{S}(n, \infty)$ , one has  $\mathcal{K}(s)P_n = P_n$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $m > n$  and  $M \geq 2m$ . Then  $(m \ m+1) {}^n\sigma_M = {}^n\sigma_M (m \ m+1)$ . Hence, applying lemma 3.1 and (3.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathcal{K}((m \ m+1))P_n \eta, \zeta \rangle &= \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \langle \mathcal{K}((m \ m+1))\mathcal{K}({}^n\sigma_M) \eta, \zeta \rangle \\ &= \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \langle \mathcal{K}({}^n\sigma_M) \mathcal{K}((m \ m+1)) \eta, \zeta \rangle \\ &= \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \langle \mathcal{K}({}^n\sigma_M) \eta, \zeta \rangle \end{aligned}$$

for any  $\eta, \zeta$  in  $\mathcal{H}$ . By lemma 3.1,  $\mathcal{K}((m \ m+1))P_n = P_n$ . Since the transpositions  $(m \ m+1)$  ( $m > n$ ) generate the subgroup  $\mathfrak{S}(n, \infty)$ , the lemma is proved.  $\square$

It follows from Lemmas 3.1 and 3.3 that

$$P_n \mathcal{H} = \{\eta \in \mathcal{H} : \mathcal{K}(s)\eta = \eta \text{ for all } s \in \mathfrak{S}(n, \infty)\}. \quad (3.3)$$

**Lemma 3.4.** *The sequence  $\{\mathcal{K}((k \ N))\}_{N \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges in the weak operator topology to a self-adjoint projection  $O_k$ .*

*Proof.* Using (3.1) and the relation  $(k \ N_2) = (N_1 \ N_2)(k \ N_1)(k \ N_2)$ , we deduce that the sequence  $\{\mathcal{K}((k \ N))\}_{N \in \mathbb{N}}$  is fundamental. Since  $(k \ N_1)(k \ N_2) = (k \ N_2)(N_1 \ N_2)$ , the operator  $O_k$  is a self-adjoint projection.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.5.** *The projections  $P_n$  and  $O_k$  commute:  $P_n O_k = O_k P_n$ .*

*Proof.* Since, by Lemma 3.3,  $O_k P_n = P_n$  for  $k > n$ , we suppose that  $k \leq n$ . By Lemmas 3.1 and 3.4, for any  $\eta, \zeta \in \mathcal{H}$ , there exists a sequence  $\{M_l\}_{l \in \mathbb{N}} \subset \mathbb{N}$  such that  $M_{k+1} > M_k$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} |\langle P_n O_k \eta, \zeta \rangle - \langle \mathcal{K}({}^n \sigma_{M_l}) O_k \eta, \zeta \rangle| &= 0, \\ \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} |\langle O_k P_n \eta, \zeta \rangle - \langle O_k \mathcal{K}({}^n \sigma_{M_l}) \eta, \zeta \rangle| &= 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

In the same way, we can find a sequence  $\{N_l\}_{l \in \mathbb{N}} \subset \mathbb{N}$  such that  $N_{k+1} > N_k > n + 2M_k$ , and

$$\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} |\langle \mathcal{K}({}^n \sigma_{M_l}) \mathcal{K}(k \ N_l) \eta, \zeta \rangle - \langle \mathcal{K}({}^n \sigma_{M_l}) O_k \eta, \zeta \rangle| = 0, \quad (3.5)$$

$$\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} |\langle \mathcal{K}(k \ N_l) \mathcal{K}({}^n \sigma_{M_l}) \eta, \zeta \rangle - \langle O_k \mathcal{K}({}^n \sigma_{M_l}) \eta, \zeta \rangle| = 0. \quad (3.6)$$

Now, using (3.4), (3.5) and the relation  $(k \ N_l) {}^n \sigma_{M_l} = {}^n \sigma_{M_l} (k \ N_l)$ , we obtain  $P_n O_k = O_k P_n$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 3.6.** *Let  $\mathfrak{S}(k, n, \infty)$  denote the group generated by the transposition  $(k \ n+1)$  and the subgroup  $\mathfrak{S}(n, \infty)$ . Then  $O_k P_n$  is a self-adjoint projection onto the subspace  $\{\eta \in \mathcal{H} : \mathcal{K}(s)\eta = \eta \text{ for all } s \in \mathfrak{S}(k, n, \infty)\}$ . In particular,  $O_n P_n = P_{n-1}$  (see (3.3)).*

*Proof.* Due to Lemmas 3.3 and 3.4, the proof follows from the next chain of equalities:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathcal{K}((k \ n+1)) O_k P_n \eta, \zeta \rangle &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \langle \mathcal{K}((k \ n+1)(k \ N)) P_n \eta, \zeta \rangle \\ &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \langle \mathcal{K}((k \ N)) \mathcal{K}((n+1 \ N)) P_n \eta, \zeta \rangle \\ &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \langle \mathcal{K}((k \ N)) P_n \eta, \zeta \rangle = \langle O_k P_n \eta, \zeta \rangle. \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

Since the representation  $\mathcal{K}$  is continuous, then there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $P_n \neq 0$ . Set  $\text{depth}(\mathcal{K}) = \min \{n : P_n \neq 0\}$ .

**Lemma 3.7.** *If  $n = \text{depth}(\mathcal{K})$  and  $g \notin \mathfrak{S}(n, \infty)$ , then  $P_n \mathcal{K}(g) P_n = 0$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $k \leq n$  and  $g(k) = m > n$ . Then  $g = (k \ m)s$ , where  $s(m) = m$ . Let  $\mathbb{S} = \{M \in \mathbb{N} : \min \{M, s^{-1}(M)\} > n\}$ . It is clear that  $\#\mathbb{S} = \infty$ . Applying Lemmas 3.3 and 3.5, under this condition for  $M \in \mathbb{S}$ , we have

$$P_n \mathcal{K}(g) P_n = P_n \mathcal{K}((m \ M)) \mathcal{K}((k \ m)) \mathcal{K}(s) \mathcal{K}((m \ s^{-1}(M))) P_n$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= P_n \mathcal{K}((m \ M)) \mathcal{K}((k \ m)) \mathcal{K}((m \ M)) \mathcal{K}(s) P_n \\
&= P_n \mathcal{K}((k \ M)) \mathcal{K}(s) P_n = P_n O_k \mathcal{K}(s) P_n.
\end{aligned}$$

But, by (3.3) and Lemma 3.6, taking into account  $\text{depth}(\mathcal{K}) = n$ , we get

$$\mathcal{K}((k \ n)) P_n O_k \mathcal{K}((k \ n)) = P_n O_n = P_{n-1} = 0.$$

Therefore,  $P_n \mathcal{K}(g) P_n = 0$ .  $\square$

#### 4. The proof of Theorem 1.1

*Proof of Theorem 1.1.* We follow the notations used in Section 2. Without loss of generality, we may assume that  $\mu$  is a probability measure. Set  $n = \text{depth}(\mathcal{K})$  (see page 49). Recall that we denote by  $P_n$  the projection of  $L^2(X, \mu)$  onto the subspace  $L_n^2 = \{\eta \in L^2(X, \mu) : \mathcal{K}(s)\eta = \eta \text{ for all } s \in \mathfrak{S}(n, \infty)\}$ . Let the operator  $\mathfrak{M}(f)$ , where  $f \in L^\infty(X, \mu)$ , act on  $\eta \in L^2(X, \mu)$  as follows:

$$(\mathfrak{M}(f)\eta)(x) = f(x)\eta(x).$$

Denote by  $\mathcal{N}$  the von Neumann algebra generated by  $\mathcal{K}(\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty)$  and  $\mathfrak{M}(L^\infty(X, \mu))$ . Let  $\mathbb{S}$  be a subset of  $L^2(X, \mu)$ , and let  $[\mathcal{N}\mathbb{S}]$  be the closure of  $\mathcal{N}\mathbb{S}$ .

Since  $\mathcal{K}$  is continuous (see subsection 2), we have

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} P_k = I. \quad (4.1)$$

If  $I - P_l = 0$  for some  $l \in \mathbb{N} \cup 0$ , then the representation  $\mathcal{K}$  is trivial; i. e.,  $\mathcal{K}(s) = I$  for all  $s \in \overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$ . Thus we can suppose that  $P_l \neq I$  for all  $l \in \mathbb{N} \cup 0$ .

In the sequel, we will identify the measurable subsets  $\mathbb{A}$  and  $\mathbb{B}$  if their symmetric difference  $\mathbb{A} \Delta \mathbb{B}$  is of measure zero.

Denote by  $\tilde{P}_k$  the orthogonal projection onto the subspace  $[\mathcal{N}L_k^2]$ . Since  $\tilde{P}_k$  belongs to the commutant of  $\mathcal{N}$ , there exists a measurable  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$ -invariant subset  $X_k \subset X$  such that

$$\tilde{P}_k = \mathfrak{M}(\chi_{X_k}),$$

where  $\chi_{X_k}$  is the characteristic function of  $X_k$ .

Applying (4.1), we obtain

$$X_k \subset X_{k+1} \text{ and } \bigcup_k X_k = X. \quad (4.2)$$

Consider the family of the pairwise orthogonal subspaces  $H_0 = L_n^2$ ,  $H_1 = (\tilde{P}_{n+1} - \tilde{P}_n) L_{n+1}^2, \dots$ ,  $H_j = (\tilde{P}_{n+j} - \tilde{P}_{n+j-1}) L_{n+j}^2, \dots$ . Using the definitions of  $\tilde{P}_k$  and  $L_k^2$ , we conclude from (4.1) that the subspaces  $[\mathcal{N}H_k]$  are pairwise orthogonal, and

$$\bigoplus_k [\mathcal{N}H_k] = L^2(X, \mu) \text{ and } P_k H_j = 0 \text{ for all } k < n + j. \quad (4.3)$$

Now we fix the orthonormal basis  $\{\eta_k\}_{i=1}^{\dim H_k}$  in  $H_k$ . Denote by  ${}^i\tilde{P}_k$  the orthogonal projection onto the subspace  $[\mathcal{N} \eta_k] \subset [\mathcal{N} H_k]$ . Then  ${}^i\tilde{P}_k = \mathfrak{M}(\chi_{{}^iX_k})$ , where  ${}^iX_k$  is a measurable  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$ -invariant subset of  $X_k$ . Since  $\{\eta_k\}_{i=1}^{\dim H_k}$  is a basis in  $H_k$ , we have

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^{\dim H_k} {}^iX_k = X_{n+k} \setminus X_{n+k-1}. \quad (4.4)$$

Define the family  $\{{}^iQ_k\}_{i=1}^{\dim H_k}$  of the pairwise orthogonal projections as follows:

$${}^1Q_k = {}^1\tilde{P}_k, \quad {}^2Q_k = {}^2\tilde{P}_k - {}^2\tilde{P}_k {}^1Q_k, \quad \dots, \quad {}^lQ_k = {}^l\tilde{P}_k - {}^l\tilde{P}_k \sum_{i=1}^{l-1} {}^iQ_k, \quad \dots$$

It follows from the above discussion that

$${}^i\eta_k \in \bigoplus_{j=1}^i [\mathcal{N} {}^jQ_k {}^j\eta_k] \quad \text{for all } i = 1, 2, \dots, \dim H_k. \quad (4.5)$$

Therefore,

$$[\mathcal{N} H_k] = \bigoplus_{j=1}^{\dim H_k} [\mathcal{N} {}^jQ_k {}^j\eta_k]. \quad (4.6)$$

As above,  ${}^iQ_k = \mathfrak{M}(\chi_{{}^iA_k})$ , where  $\{{}^iA_k\}_{i=1}^{\dim H_k}$  is the measurable  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$ -invariant subset in  $X_{n+k} \setminus X_{n+k-1}$  such that  ${}^iA_k \cap {}^jA_k = \emptyset$  for different  $i, j$ . By (4.4),

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\dim H_k} {}^iQ_k = \tilde{P}_{n+k} - \tilde{P}_{n+k-1} \quad \text{and} \quad \bigcup_{i=1}^{\dim H_k} {}^iA_k = X_{n+k} \setminus X_{n+k-1}. \quad (4.7)$$

Denote by  ${}^i\mathcal{K}_k$  the restriction of the representation  $\mathcal{K}$  to the subspace

$${}^iQ_k L^2(X, \mu) = [\mathcal{N} {}^i\xi_k], \quad (4.8)$$

where  ${}^i\xi_k = {}^iQ_k {}^i\eta_k$  (see (4.6)). Therefore, if  ${}^iQ_k {}^i\eta_k \neq 0$ , then, using the definitions of  $H_k$ , we obtain

$$\text{depth}({}^i\mathcal{K}_k) = n + k. \quad (4.9)$$

Let us now build an  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$ -invariant measure  ${}^i\nu_k$  on  ${}^iA_k$ .

Since  ${}^i\xi_k = {}^iQ_k {}^i\eta_k \in H_k$ , we have

$$({}^i\mathcal{K}_k(s) {}^i\xi_k)(x) = \rho(s, x) {}^i\xi_k(xs) = {}^i\xi_k(x)$$

for each  $s \in \mathfrak{S}(n+k, \infty)$ . Therefore, for each  $s \in \mathfrak{S}(n+k, \infty)$ ,

$$\rho(s, x) |{}^i\xi_k(xs)| = |{}^i\xi_k(x)|. \quad (4.10)$$

Set  ${}^iE_k = \{x \in X : {}^i\xi_k(x) \neq 0\}$ . It is clear that  ${}^iE_k \subset {}^iA_k$ . Since  $\mu(\{x \in X : \rho(g, x) = 0\}) = 0$ , from (4.10), we conclude that for all  $s \in \mathfrak{S}(n+k, \infty)$ :

$$\mu({}^iE_k \Delta ({}^iE_k s)) = 0. \quad (4.11)$$

Let us prove that for each  $g \notin \mathfrak{S}(n+k, \infty)$ ,

$$\mu({}^iE_k g \cap {}^iE_k) = 0. \quad (4.12)$$

Applying (4.9) and Lemma 3.7, we obtain

$$0 = \langle {}^i\mathcal{K}_k(g) | {}^i\xi_k |, | {}^i\xi_k | \rangle = \int_X \rho(g, x) | {}^i\xi_k(xg) | | {}^i\xi_k(x) | d\mu.$$

Hence, using the equality  $\mu(\{x \in X : \rho(g, x) = 0\}) = 0$ , we get that

$$\int_X | {}^i\xi_k(xg) | | {}^i\xi_k(x) | d\mu = 0.$$

Therefore

$$| {}^i\xi_k(xg) | | {}^i\xi_k(x) | = 0$$

holds  $\mu$ -almost everywhere. Hence (4.12) follows.

Now we define the measure  ${}^i\mu_k$  on  $X$  as follows:

$${}^i\mu_k(Y) = \mu(Y \setminus {}^iE_k) + \int_{{}^iE_k} \chi_Y(x) | {}^i\xi_k(x) |^2 d\mu. \quad (4.13)$$

Assuming that  $Y \subset {}^iE_k$ ,  $s \in \mathfrak{S}(n+k, \infty)$  and using (1.1), (4.10), (4.11), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} {}^i\mu_k(Ys) &= \int_{{}^iE_k} \chi_{Ys}(x) | {}^i\xi_k(x) |^2 d\mu = \int_{{}^iE_k} \chi_Y(xs^{-1}) | {}^i\xi_k(x) |^2 d\mu \\ &= \int_{{}^iE_k} (\rho(s, x))^2 \chi_Y(x) | {}^i\xi_k(xs) |^2 d\mu \\ &= \int_{{}^iE_k} \chi_Y(x) | {}^i\xi_k(x) |^2 d\mu = {}^i\mu_k(Y). \end{aligned} \quad (4.14)$$

For the construction of an  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$ -invariant measure  ${}^i\nu_k$  on  ${}^iA_k$ , we consider the right coset  $H \setminus G$ , where  $H = \mathfrak{S}(n+k, \infty)$  and  $G = \overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$ . Since every bijection  $s \in G$  can be written as  $s = hf$ , where  $h \in H$  and  $f \in \mathfrak{S}_\infty$  is a finite permutation, then there exists a countable full set of the representatives  $g_1, g_2, \dots$  in  $G$  of the cosets  $H \setminus G$ . Define the map  $\tau : H \setminus G \rightarrow G$  as follows:  $\tau(z) = g_j$ , if  $z = Hg_j$ . We will assume that  $\tau(H)$  is the identity  $e$  of  $G$ .

In the sequel, we will need the next useful equality, which follows from (4.8), (4.11) and the definition of  ${}^iE_k$ ,

$${}^iA_k = \bigcup_{z \in H \setminus G} {}^iE_k \tau(z). \quad (4.15)$$

For completeness, we give below a standard algorithm allowing one to extend a finite  $\mathfrak{S}(n+k, \infty)$ -invariant measure  ${}^i\mu_k$  on  ${}^iE_k$  to a  $\sigma$ -finite  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$ -invariant measure on  ${}^iA_k$ .

Take a measurable subset  $Y \subset {}^iA_k$  and define its measure  ${}^i\nu_k(Y)$  as follows:

$${}^i\nu_k(Y) = \sum_{z \in H \setminus G} {}^i\mu_k \left( (Y \cap ({}^iE_k \mathfrak{r}(z))) (\mathfrak{r}(z))^{-1} \right). \quad (4.16)$$

Let us prove that for all  $g \in G$  and  $Y \subset {}^iA_k$ ,

$${}^i\nu_k(Y) = {}^i\nu_k(Yg). \quad (4.17)$$

First, we should notice that

$$\begin{aligned} {}^i\nu_k(Yg) &= \sum_{z \in H \setminus G} {}^i\mu_k \left( ((Yg) \cap ({}^iE_k \mathfrak{r}(z))) (\mathfrak{r}(z))^{-1} \right) \\ &= \sum_{z \in H \setminus G} {}^i\mu_k \left( (Y \cap ({}^iE_k \mathfrak{r}(z)g^{-1})) g(\mathfrak{r}(z))^{-1} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Then, by using (4.11), we get

$$\begin{aligned} {}^i\nu_k(Yg) &= \sum_{z \in H \setminus G} {}^i\mu_k \left( (Y \cap ({}^iE_k \mathfrak{r}(zg^{-1}))) g(\mathfrak{r}(z))^{-1} \right) \\ &= \sum_{z \in H \setminus G} {}^i\mu_k \left( (Y \cap ({}^iE_k \mathfrak{r}(zg^{-1}))) (\mathfrak{r}(zg^{-1}))^{-1} \mathfrak{r}(zg^{-1})g(\mathfrak{r}(z))^{-1} \right) \\ &= \sum_{z \in H \setminus G} {}^i\mu_k \left( (Y \cap ({}^iE_k \mathfrak{r}(z))) (\mathfrak{r}(z))^{-1} \mathfrak{r}(z)g(\mathfrak{r}(zg))^{-1} \right), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathfrak{r}(z)g(\mathfrak{r}(zg))^{-1} \in H = \mathfrak{S}(n+k, \infty)$ . Hence, using (4.14), and (4.16), we obtain

$${}^i\nu_k(Yg) = \sum_{z \in H \setminus G} {}^i\mu_k \left( (Y \cap ({}^iE_k \mathfrak{r}(z))) (\mathfrak{r}(z))^{-1} \right) = {}^i\nu_k(Y).$$

Thus (4.17) is proved.

Now we fix  $Y \subset {}^iA_k$  such that  ${}^i\nu_k(Y) = 0$  and prove that  $\mu(Y) = 0$ .

Indeed, applying (4.16), we have

$${}^i\mu_k \left( (Y \cap ({}^iE_k \mathfrak{r}(z))) (\mathfrak{r}(z))^{-1} \right) = 0 \quad \text{for all } z \in H \setminus G.$$

It follows from (4.13) that  $\mu \left( (Y \cap ({}^iE_k \mathfrak{r}(z))) (\mathfrak{r}(z))^{-1} \right) = 0$  for all  $z \in H \setminus G$ . Therefore,  $\mu \left( (Y \cap ({}^iE_k \mathfrak{r}(z))) \right) = 0$  for all  $z$ . Hence, using (4.15), we deduce  $\mu(Y) = 0$ .

Thus, the restrictions of the measures  $\mu$  and  ${}^i\nu_k$  onto  ${}^iA_k$  are equivalent. Finally, applying (4.7) and (4.2), we conclude that  $\mu$  is equivalent to the  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$ -invariant measure  $\nu = \sum_{i,k} {}^i\nu_k$ . Theorem 1.1 is proved.  $\square$



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### Існування інваріантної міри для несингулярної дії повної симетричної групи

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Позначимо через  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$  множину всіх бієкцій натуральних чисел. Розглянемо дію  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$  на вимірному просторі  $(X, \mathfrak{M}, \mu)$ , де  $\mu \in \overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$  — квазіінваріантна міра. Ми доводимо існування  $\overline{\mathfrak{S}}_\infty$ -інваріантної міри, яка еквівалентна мірі  $\mu$ .

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