

# ON VECTOR MEASURES WITH VALUES IN $c_0(\kappa)$

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ABSTRACT. Let  $\nu$  be a vector measure defined on a  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\Sigma$  and taking values in a Banach space. We prove that if  $\nu$  is homogeneous and  $L_1(\nu)$  is non-separable, then there is a vector measure  $\tilde{\nu} : \Sigma \rightarrow c_0(\kappa)$  such that  $L_1(\nu) = L_1(\tilde{\nu})$  with equal norms, where  $\kappa$  is the density character of  $L_1(\nu)$ . This is a non-separable version of a result of [G.P. Curbera, Pacific J. Math. 162 (1994), no. 2, 287–303].

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Spaces of integrable functions with respect to a vector measure play an important role in Banach lattices and operator theory. Every Banach lattice with order continuous norm and a weak unit is lattice-isometric to the  $L_1$  space of some vector measure, [2, Theorem 8] (cf. [6, Proposition 2.4]). Such a representation is not unique, in the sense that a Banach lattice can be lattice-isometric to the  $L_1$  spaces of completely different vector measures. The following result was proved in [3, Theorem 1] (cf. [14, Theorem 5] for a different proof):

**Theorem 1.1** (G. P. Curbera). *Let  $\nu$  be a vector measure defined on a  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\Sigma$  and taking values in a Banach space. If  $\nu$  is atomless and  $L_1(\nu)$  is separable, then there is a vector measure  $\tilde{\nu} : \Sigma \rightarrow c_0$  such that  $L_1(\nu) = L_1(\tilde{\nu})$  with equal norms.*

In general, this result is not valid for vector measures with atoms, as shown in [3, pp. 294–295]. It is natural to ask about non-separable versions of Theorem 1.1 by using  $c_0(\kappa)$  as target space for a large enough cardinal  $\kappa$ . This question was posed by Z. Lipecki at the conference “Integration, Vector Measures and Related Topics VI” (Bedlewo, June 2014). In [19] we provided some partial answers by using a certain superspace of  $c_0(\kappa)$ , namely, the so-called Pełczyński-Sudakov space. In the particular case  $\kappa = \aleph_1$  (the first uncountable cardinal), this is the Banach space  $\ell_\infty^c(\aleph_1)$  of all bounded real-valued functions on  $\aleph_1$  with countable support.

In this note we refine the results of [19] by proving the following:

**Theorem 1.2.** *Let  $\nu$  be a vector measure defined on a  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\Sigma$  and taking values in a Banach space. If  $\nu$  is homogeneous and  $L_1(\nu)$  is non-separable, then*

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there is a vector measure  $\tilde{\nu} : \Sigma \rightarrow c_0(\kappa)$  such that  $L_1(\nu) = L_1(\tilde{\nu})$  with equal norms, where  $\kappa$  is the density character of  $L_1(\nu)$ .

The proof of Theorem 1.2 uses some ideas of [19, Example 2.6]. There we showed that, for an arbitrary uncountable cardinal  $\kappa$  and  $1 < p < \infty$ , the  $L_p$  space of the usual product probability measure on the Cantor cube  $\{-1, 1\}^\kappa$  is equal to  $L_1(\nu)$  for some  $c_0(\kappa)$ -valued vector measure  $\nu$ . We stress that one cannot arrive at the same conclusion by using a  $c_0$ -valued vector measure, see [17, Example 4.16].

The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2 we fix the terminology and include some preliminary facts on  $L_1$  spaces of a vector measure. In Section 3 we prove Theorem 1.2 and a similar result for non-homogeneous vector measures (Theorem 3.2). We finish the paper with further remarks on  $c_0(\kappa)$ -valued vector measures which might be of independent interest (Theorem 3.3).

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

Our notation is standard as can be found in [5] and [16]. We write  $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\}$ . The *density character* of a topological space  $T$ , denoted by  $\text{dens}(T)$ , is the minimal cardinality of a dense subset of  $T$ .

Given a non-empty set  $I$ , we denote by  $\Lambda_I$  the  $\sigma$ -algebra on  $\{-1, 1\}^I$  generated by all the sets of the form

$$\{x \in \{-1, 1\}^I : x(i) = y(i) \text{ for all } i \in J\},$$

where  $J \subseteq I$  is finite and  $y \in \{-1, 1\}^J$ . Every closed-and-open subset of  $\{-1, 1\}^I$  is a finite union of sets as above. The symbol  $\lambda_I$  stands for the usual product probability measure on  $(\{-1, 1\}^I, \Lambda_I)$ . For each  $i \in I$  we denote by

$$\pi_i^I : \{-1, 1\}^I \rightarrow \{-1, 1\}$$

the  $i$ th-coordinate projection and, for each non-empty set  $J \subseteq I$ , we denote by

$$\rho_J^I : \{-1, 1\}^I \rightarrow \{-1, 1\}^J$$

the canonical projection.

All our Banach spaces are real. The closed unit ball of a Banach space  $X$  is denoted by  $B_X$  and the dual of  $X$  is denoted by  $X^*$ . The symbol  $\|\cdot\|_X$  stands for the norm of  $X$ . Given a non-empty set  $\Gamma$ , we denote by  $c_0(\Gamma)$  the Banach space of all bounded functions  $\varphi : \Gamma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\{\gamma \in \Gamma : |\varphi(\gamma)| > \varepsilon\}$  is finite for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , equipped with the supremum norm.

Let  $(\Omega, \Sigma)$  be a measurable space. Given a Banach space  $X$ , we denote by  $\text{ca}(\Sigma, X)$  the set of all  $X$ -valued vector measures defined on  $\Sigma$ . Unless stated otherwise, our *measures* are meant to be countably additive.

Let  $\nu \in \text{ca}(\Sigma, X)$ . Given  $A \in \Sigma$ , we denote by  $\nu_A$  the restriction of  $\nu$  to

$$\Sigma_A := \{B \in \Sigma : B \subseteq A\}$$

(which is a  $\sigma$ -algebra on  $A$ ). The set  $A$  is called  $\nu$ -null if  $\nu(B) = 0$  for every  $B \in \Sigma_A$  or, equivalently,  $\|\nu\|(A) = 0$ , where  $\|\nu\|$  is the semivariation of  $\nu$ . The family of all  $\nu$ -null sets is denoted by  $\mathcal{N}(\nu)$ . We say that  $\nu$  is *atomless* if for every  $A \in \Sigma \setminus \mathcal{N}(\nu)$  there is  $B \in \Sigma_A$  such that neither  $B$  nor  $A \setminus B$  is  $\nu$ -null.

By a *Rybakov control measure* of  $\nu$  we mean a finite non-negative measure of the form  $\mu = |x^*\nu|$  for some  $x^* \in X^*$  such that  $\mathcal{N}(\mu) = \mathcal{N}(\nu)$  (see, e.g., [5, p. 268, Theorem 2]); here  $|x^*\nu|$  is the variation of the signed measure  $x^*\nu : \Sigma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  obtained as the composition of  $\nu$  with  $x^*$ .

A  $\Sigma$ -measurable function  $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is said to be  $\nu$ -integrable if it is  $|x^*\nu|$ -integrable for all  $x^* \in X^*$  and, for each  $A \in \Sigma$ , there is  $\int_A f d\nu \in X$  such that

$$x^* \left( \int_A f d\nu \right) = \int_A f d(x^*\nu) \quad \text{for all } x^* \in X^*.$$

By identifying functions which coincide  $\nu$ -a.e., the set  $L_1(\nu)$  of all (equivalence classes of)  $\nu$ -integrable functions is a Banach lattice with the  $\nu$ -a.e. order and the norm

$$\|f\|_{L_1(\nu)} := \sup_{x^* \in B_{X^*}} \int_{\Omega} |f| d|x^*\nu|.$$

We write  $\text{sim}(\Sigma)$  to denote the linear subspace of  $L_1(\nu)$  consisting of all (equivalence classes of) *simple functions*, that is, linear combinations of characteristic functions  $\chi_A$  where  $A \in \Sigma$ . The set  $\text{sim}(\Sigma)$  is norm dense in  $L_1(\nu)$ . As in the case of finite non-negative measures, if  $L_1(\nu)$  is infinite-dimensional, then its density character coincides with the minimal cardinality of a set  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \Sigma$  satisfying that  $\inf_{C \in \mathcal{C}} \|\nu\|(A \Delta C) = 0$  for all  $A \in \Sigma$ . We say that  $\nu$  is *homogeneous* if it is atomless and

$$\text{dens}(L_1(\nu)) = \text{dens}(L_1(\nu_A)) \quad \text{for every } A \in \Sigma \setminus \mathcal{N}(\nu).$$

In this case, the cardinal  $\text{dens}(L_1(\nu))$  is called the *Maharam type* of  $\nu$ . It is easy to check that: (i)  $\text{dens}(L_1(\nu)) = \text{dens}(L_1(\mu))$  for any Rybakov control measure  $\mu$  of  $\nu$ ; (ii)  $\nu$  is atomless (resp., homogeneous) if and only if some/any Rybakov control measure of  $\nu$  is atomless (resp., homogeneous).

As a Banach lattice,  $L_1(\nu)$  has order continuous norm and a weak unit (the function  $\chi_{\Omega}$ ). If  $\mu$  is a Rybakov control measure of  $\nu$ , then  $L_1(\nu)$  is a *Köthe function space* over  $(\Omega, \Sigma, \mu)$  and we can consider its *Köthe dual*

$$L_1(\nu)' := \{g \in L_1(\mu) : fg \in L_1(\mu) \text{ for all } f \in L_1(\nu)\}.$$

For each  $g \in L_1(\nu)'$  we have a functional  $\varphi_g \in L_1(\nu)^*$  defined by

$$\varphi_g(f) := \int_{\Omega} fg d\mu \quad \text{for all } f \in L_1(\nu).$$

Since  $L_1(\nu)$  has order continuous norm, the equality

$$(2.1) \quad L_1(\nu)^* = \{\varphi_g : g \in L_1(\nu)'\}$$

holds (see, e.g., [13, p. 29]).

We will also need the following two auxiliary results, which can be found in [19, Lemma 2.3] and [15, Lemma 3.6], respectively.

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $\Gamma$  be a non-empty set and let  $Z$  be a closed subspace of  $\ell_{\infty}(\Gamma)$ . For each  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , denote by  $e_{\gamma}^* \in B_{\ell_{\infty}(\Gamma)^*}$  the  $\gamma$ -th coordinate projection. Let  $(\Omega, \Sigma)$*

be a measurable space and let  $\nu \in \text{ca}(\Sigma, Z)$ . Then

$$\|f\|_{L_1(\nu)} = \sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \int_{\Omega} |f| d|e_{\gamma}^* \nu| \quad \text{for every } f \in L_1(\nu).$$

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be Banach spaces, let  $(\Omega, \Sigma)$  be a measurable space and let  $\nu \in \text{ca}(\Sigma, X)$  and  $\tilde{\nu} \in \text{ca}(\Sigma, Y)$  such that  $\mathcal{N}(\nu) = \mathcal{N}(\tilde{\nu})$ . Suppose that there is a constant  $c > 0$  such that  $\|f\|_{L_1(\nu)} \leq c\|f\|_{L_1(\tilde{\nu})}$  for every  $f \in \text{sim}(\Sigma)$ . Then  $L_1(\tilde{\nu})$  embeds continuously into  $L_1(\nu)$  with norm  $\leq c$ .*

### 3. RESULTS

Given a probability space  $(\Omega, \Sigma, \mu)$ , we consider the equivalence relation on  $\Sigma$  defined by  $A \sim B$  if and only if  $\mu(A \Delta B) = 0$ . The set  $\Sigma/\mathcal{N}(\mu)$  of equivalence classes becomes a *measure algebra* with the usual Boolean algebra operations and the functional defined by  $\mu^\bullet(A^\bullet) := \mu(A)$  for all  $A \in \Sigma$ , where  $A^\bullet \in \Sigma/\mathcal{N}(\mu)$  is the equivalence class of  $A$ . We refer to [9] for more information on measure algebras.

We now proceed with the proof of our main result.

*Proof of Theorem 1.2.* We divide the proof into several steps.

STEP 1. Let  $(\Omega, \Sigma)$  be the underlying measurable space and let  $\mu$  be a Rybakov control measure of  $\nu$ . Suppose without loss of generality that  $\mu(\Omega) = 1$ . Since  $\mu$  is homogeneous and has Maharam type  $\kappa$ , Maharam's theorem (see, e.g., [9, Section 3] or [12, §14]) ensures that the measure algebras of  $\mu$  and  $\lambda_\kappa$  are isomorphic, that is, there is a Boolean algebra isomorphism

$$\theta : \Sigma/\mathcal{N}(\mu) \rightarrow \Lambda_\kappa/\mathcal{N}(\lambda_\kappa)$$

such that  $\lambda_\kappa^\bullet \circ \theta = \mu^\bullet$ . This isomorphism induces a lattice isometry

$$\Phi : L_1(\mu) \rightarrow L_1(\lambda_\kappa)$$

such that for every  $f \in L_1(\mu)$  we have

$$(3.1) \quad \int_{\Omega} f d\mu = \int_{\{-1,1\}^\kappa} \Phi(f) d\lambda_\kappa$$

and

$$(3.2) \quad \Phi(f\chi_A) = \Phi(f)\chi_C \quad \text{whenever } A \in \Sigma \text{ and } C \in \Lambda_\kappa \text{ satisfy } \theta(A^\bullet) = C^\bullet.$$

STEP 2. It is well known that for an arbitrary Banach space  $Y$  the inequalities

$$\text{dens}(Y^*, \text{weak}^*) \leq \text{dens}(B_{Y^*}, \text{weak}^*) \leq \text{dens}(Y)$$

hold. If, in addition,  $Y$  is weakly compactly generated, then they turn out to be equalities (see, e.g., [7, Theorem 13.3]). Therefore, since  $L_1(\nu)$  is weakly compactly generated, [2, Theorem 2] (cf. [1, p. 193]), we have

$$\text{dens}(B_{L_1(\nu)^*}, \text{weak}^*) = \text{dens}(L_1(\nu)) = \kappa.$$

Let  $H \subseteq B_{L_1(\nu)^*}$  be a weak\*-dense subset of  $B_{L_1(\nu)^*}$  with cardinality  $\kappa$ . Let us write  $H = \{\varphi_{h_\alpha} : \alpha < \kappa\}$  where  $h_\alpha \in L_1(\nu)'$  for all  $\alpha < \kappa$  (see equality (2.1) at page 3). Then

$$\|f\|_{L_1(\nu)} = \sup_{\alpha < \kappa} \varphi_{h_\alpha}(f) \quad \text{for all } f \in L_1(\nu).$$

Since  $|h_\alpha| \in L_1(\nu)'$  and  $\varphi|_{h_\alpha} \in B_{L_1(\nu)}^*$  for all  $\alpha < \kappa$ , the previous equality yields

$$(3.3) \quad \|f\|_{L_1(\nu)} = \sup_{\alpha < \kappa} \varphi|_{h_\alpha}(|f|) \quad \text{for all } f \in L_1(\nu).$$

Fix  $\alpha < \kappa$ . Then  $h_\alpha \in L_1(\mu)$  and so we can consider  $\Phi(h_\alpha) \in L_1(\lambda_\kappa)$ . Hence, there exist a countable set  $I_\alpha \subseteq \kappa$  and  $\tilde{h}_\alpha \in L_1(\lambda_{I_\alpha})$  such that

$$(3.4) \quad \Phi(h_\alpha) = \tilde{h}_\alpha \circ \rho_{I_\alpha}^\kappa$$

(see, e.g., [10, 254Q]).

Let  $\psi : \kappa \rightarrow \kappa$  be an injective map such that  $\psi(\alpha) \notin I_\alpha$  for all  $\alpha < \kappa$ . Note that such a map can be constructed by transfinite induction. Indeed, take  $\alpha < \kappa$  and suppose that  $\psi(\beta)$  is already defined for all  $\beta < \alpha$ . Then  $\{\psi(\beta) : \beta < \alpha\} \cup I_\alpha$  has cardinality strictly less than  $\kappa$  (bear in mind that  $\kappa$  is uncountable and  $I_\alpha$  is countable). Hence, we can pick  $\psi(\alpha) \in \kappa \setminus \{\psi(\beta) : \beta < \alpha\} \cup I_\alpha$ .

STEP 3. Fix  $\alpha < \kappa$ . We write

$$\pi_{\psi(\alpha)}^\kappa = \chi_{C_{\psi(\alpha)}} - \chi_{\{-1,1\}^\kappa \setminus C_{\psi(\alpha)}},$$

where  $C_{\psi(\alpha)} := (\pi_{\psi(\alpha)}^\kappa)^{-1}(\{1\}) \in \Lambda_\kappa$ . Then

$$\Phi^{-1}(\pi_{\psi(\alpha)}^\kappa) = \chi_{A_{\psi(\alpha)}} - \chi_{\Omega \setminus A_{\psi(\alpha)}},$$

where  $A_{\psi(\alpha)}$  is some element of  $\Sigma$  with  $\theta(A_{\psi(\alpha)}^\bullet) = C_{\psi(\alpha)}^\bullet$ . Since  $|\Phi^{-1}(\pi_{\psi(\alpha)}^\kappa)| = \chi_\Omega$  and  $\varphi_{h_\alpha} \in B_{L_1(\nu)}^*$ , we have

$$g_\alpha := h_\alpha \Phi^{-1}(\pi_{\psi(\alpha)}^\kappa) \in L_1(\nu)'$$

with  $\varphi_{g_\alpha} \in B_{L_1(\nu)}^*$  and so

$$\left| \int_A g_\alpha d\mu \right| = |\varphi_{g_\alpha}(\chi_A)| \leq \|\chi_A\|_{L_1(\nu)} \|\varphi_{g_\alpha}\|_{L_1(\nu)^*} \leq \|\chi_A\|_{L_1(\nu)} = \|\nu\|(A)$$

for every  $A \in \Sigma$ . Hence, we have

$$\tilde{\nu}(A) := \left( \int_A g_\alpha d\mu \right)_{\alpha < \kappa} \in \ell_\infty(\kappa)$$

and

$$(3.5) \quad \|\tilde{\nu}(A)\|_{\ell_\infty(\kappa)} \leq \|\nu\|(A)$$

for every  $A \in \Sigma$ . Clearly,  $\tilde{\nu} : \Sigma \rightarrow \ell_\infty(\kappa)$  is finitely additive. Since  $\|\nu\|(A) \rightarrow 0$  as  $\mu(A) \rightarrow 0$  (see, e.g., [5, p. 10, Theorem 1]), inequality (3.5) ensures that  $\tilde{\nu}$  is countably additive, that is,  $\tilde{\nu} \in \text{ca}(\Sigma, \ell_\infty(\kappa))$ .

STEP 4. Let  $C \subseteq \{-1, 1\}^\kappa$  be an arbitrary closed-and-open set (in particular,  $C \in \Lambda_\kappa$ ) and let  $A \in \Sigma$  such that  $\theta(A^\bullet) = C^\bullet$ . We claim that for every sequence  $(\alpha_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  of pairwise distinct elements of  $\kappa$  we have  $\int_A g_{\alpha_n} d\mu = 0$  for  $n$  large enough.

Indeed, since  $C$  is closed-and-open, there exist a finite set  $I \subseteq \kappa$  and a set  $B \subseteq \{-1, 1\}^I$  such that  $C = B \times \{-1, 1\}^{\kappa \setminus I}$ . For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  we define  $J_n := I \cup I_{\alpha_n}$  and, bearing in mind (3.4), we write

$$(3.6) \quad \Phi(h_{\alpha_n})\chi_C = \hat{h}_{\alpha_n} \circ \rho_{J_n}^\kappa$$

for some  $\hat{h}_{\alpha_n} \in L_1(\lambda_{J_n})$ . Since  $I$  is finite,  $\psi$  is injective and the  $\alpha_n$ 's are pairwise distinct, there is  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for every  $n \geq n_0$  we have  $\psi(\alpha_n) \notin J_n$ , thus

$$(3.7) \quad \int_{\{-1,1\}^{\kappa \setminus J_n}} \pi_{\psi(\alpha_n)}^{\kappa \setminus J_n} d\lambda_{\kappa \setminus J_n} = 0$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} \int_A g_{\alpha_n} d\mu &= \int_{\Omega} h_{\alpha_n} (\chi_{A_{\psi(\alpha_n)} \cap A} - \chi_{A \setminus A_{\psi(\alpha_n)}}) d\mu \\ &\stackrel{(3.1) \ \& \ (3.2)}{=} \int_{\{-1,1\}^{\kappa}} \Phi(h_{\alpha_n}) (\chi_{C_{\psi(\alpha_n)} \cap C} - \chi_{C \setminus C_{\psi(\alpha_n)}}) d\lambda_{\kappa} \\ &= \int_{\{-1,1\}^{\kappa}} \Phi(h_{\alpha_n}) \chi_C \pi_{\psi(\alpha_n)}^{\kappa} d\lambda_{\kappa} \\ &\stackrel{(3.6)}{=} \int_{\{-1,1\}^{\kappa}} (\hat{h}_{\alpha_n} \circ \rho_{J_n}^{\kappa}) (\pi_{\psi(\alpha_n)}^{\kappa \setminus J_n} \circ \rho_{\kappa \setminus J_n}^{\kappa}) d\lambda_{\kappa} \\ &\stackrel{(*)}{=} \left( \int_{\{-1,1\}^{J_n}} \hat{h}_{\alpha_n} d\lambda_{J_n} \right) \left( \int_{\{-1,1\}^{\kappa \setminus J_n}} \pi_{\psi(\alpha_n)}^{\kappa \setminus J_n} d\lambda_{\kappa \setminus J_n} \right) \stackrel{(3.7)}{=} 0, \end{aligned}$$

where equality (\*) follows from Fubini's theorem.

STEP 5. We claim that

$$\tilde{\nu}(A) \in c_0(\kappa) \quad \text{for every } A \in \Sigma$$

and so  $\tilde{\nu} \in \text{ca}(\Sigma, c_0(\kappa))$ .

Indeed, fix  $A \in \Sigma$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Choose  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$\|\tilde{\nu}(B)\|_{\ell_{\infty}(\kappa)} \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \quad \text{for every } B \in \Sigma \text{ with } \mu(B) \leq \delta$$

(see STEP 3). Take  $C \in \Lambda_{\kappa}$  such that  $\theta(A^{\bullet}) = C^{\bullet}$ . There is a closed-and-open set  $C_{\varepsilon} \subseteq \{-1,1\}^{\kappa}$  such that  $\lambda_{\kappa}(C \Delta C_{\varepsilon}) \leq \delta$ . Take  $A_{\varepsilon} \in \Sigma$  such that  $\theta(A_{\varepsilon}^{\bullet}) = C_{\varepsilon}^{\bullet}$ . By STEP 4, we have  $\tilde{\nu}(A_{\varepsilon}) \in c_0(\kappa)$ . Since  $\mu(A \Delta A_{\varepsilon}) = \lambda_{\kappa}(C \Delta C_{\varepsilon}) \leq \delta$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\tilde{\nu}(A) - \tilde{\nu}(A_{\varepsilon})\|_{\ell_{\infty}(\kappa)} &= \|\tilde{\nu}(A \setminus A_{\varepsilon}) - \tilde{\nu}(A_{\varepsilon} \setminus A)\|_{\ell_{\infty}(\kappa)} \\ &\leq \|\tilde{\nu}(A \setminus A_{\varepsilon})\|_{\ell_{\infty}(\kappa)} + \|\tilde{\nu}(A_{\varepsilon} \setminus A)\|_{\ell_{\infty}(\kappa)} \leq \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

As  $\varepsilon > 0$  is arbitrary,  $\tilde{\nu}(A_{\varepsilon}) \in c_0(\kappa)$  and  $c_0(\kappa)$  is a closed subspace of  $\ell_{\infty}(\kappa)$ , it follows that  $\tilde{\nu}(A) \in c_0(\kappa)$ . This proves the claim.

STEP 6. Fix  $f \in \text{sim}(\Sigma)$ . By Lemma 2.1 and the very definition of  $\tilde{\nu}$ , we have

$$\|f\|_{L_1(\tilde{\nu})} = \sup_{\alpha < \kappa} \int_{\Omega} |f g_{\alpha}| d\mu = \sup_{\alpha < \kappa} \int_{\Omega} |f h_{\alpha}| d\mu = \sup_{\alpha < \kappa} \varphi_{|h_{\alpha}|}(|f|) \stackrel{(3.3)}{=} \|f\|_{L_1(\nu)}.$$

In particular,  $\mathcal{N}(\nu) = \mathcal{N}(\tilde{\nu})$  and we can apply Lemma 2.2 twice to infer that  $L_1(\nu) = L_1(\tilde{\nu})$  with equal norms. The proof is finished.  $\square$

The following lemma will be useful when dealing with non-homogeneous vector measures. Let us recall first a standard renorming for the  $L_1$  space of a vector measure. Let  $X$  be a Banach space, let  $(\Omega, \Sigma)$  be a measurable space and let  $\nu \in \text{ca}(\Sigma, X)$ . Then the formula

$$\| \|f\| \|_{L_1(\nu)} := \sup_{A \in \Sigma} \left\| \int_A f d\nu \right\|_X, \quad f \in L_1(\nu),$$

defines an equivalent norm on  $L_1(\nu)$  and, in fact, one has

$$(3.8) \quad \| \|f\| \|_{L_1(\nu)} \leq \|f\|_{L_1(\nu)} \leq 2 \| \|f\| \|_{L_1(\nu)} \quad \text{for all } f \in L_1(\nu)$$

(see, e.g., [16, p. 112]).

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let  $X$ ,  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  be Banach spaces, let  $(\Omega, \Sigma)$  be a measurable space and let  $\nu \in \text{ca}(\Sigma, X)$ . Let  $A_1, A_2 \in \Sigma$  be disjoint with  $\Omega = A_1 \cup A_2$  and let  $\nu_i \in \text{ca}(\Sigma_{A_i}, X_i)$  such that  $L_1(\nu_{A_i}) = L_1(\nu_i)$  with equivalent norms for  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ . Define  $\tilde{\nu} : \Sigma \rightarrow X_1 \oplus_\infty X_2$  by*

$$\tilde{\nu}(A) := (\nu_1(A \cap A_1), \nu_2(A \cap A_2)) \quad \text{for all } A \in \Sigma.$$

*Then  $\tilde{\nu} \in \text{ca}(\Sigma, X_1 \oplus_\infty X_2)$  and  $L_1(\nu) = L_1(\tilde{\nu})$  with equivalent norms.*

*Proof.* Write  $Z := X_1 \oplus_\infty X_2$ . Clearly,  $\tilde{\nu} \in \text{ca}(\Sigma, Z)$ . Let  $c$  and  $d$  be positive constants such that

$$(3.9) \quad c^{-1} \|f|_{A_1}\|_{L_1(\nu_1)} \leq \|f|_{A_1}\|_{L_1(\nu_{A_1})} \leq c \|f|_{A_1}\|_{L_1(\nu_1)}$$

and

$$(3.10) \quad d^{-1} \|f|_{A_2}\|_{L_1(\nu_2)} \leq \|f|_{A_2}\|_{L_1(\nu_{A_2})} \leq d \|f|_{A_2}\|_{L_1(\nu_2)}$$

for every  $f \in \text{sim}(\Sigma)$ .

On the one hand, we have

$$(3.11) \quad \|f\|_{L_1(\nu)} \leq 2(c+d) \|f\|_{L_1(\tilde{\nu})}$$

for every  $f \in \text{sim}(\Sigma)$ . Indeed, note that

$$(3.12) \quad \int_A f d\tilde{\nu} = \left( \int_{A \cap A_1} f|_{A_1} d\nu_1, \int_{A \cap A_2} f|_{A_2} d\nu_2 \right) \quad \text{for all } A \in \Sigma$$

and so for each  $i \in \{1, 2\}$  we have

$$(3.13) \quad \|f|_{A_i}\|_{L_1(\nu_i)} \stackrel{(3.8)}{\leq} 2 \sup_{A \in \Sigma} \left\| \int_{A \cap A_i} f|_{A_i} d\nu_i \right\|_{X_i} \stackrel{(3.12)}{\leq} 2 \sup_{A \in \Sigma} \left\| \int_A f d\tilde{\nu} \right\|_Z \stackrel{(3.8)}{\leq} 2 \|f\|_{L_1(\tilde{\nu})}.$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|_{L_1(\nu)} &\leq \|f\chi_{A_1}\|_{L_1(\nu)} + \|f\chi_{A_2}\|_{L_1(\nu)} \\ &= \|f|_{A_1}\|_{L_1(\nu_{A_1})} + \|f|_{A_2}\|_{L_1(\nu_{A_2})} \\ &\stackrel{(3.9) \ \& \ (3.10)}{\leq} c \|f|_{A_1}\|_{L_1(\nu_1)} + d \|f|_{A_2}\|_{L_1(\nu_2)} \stackrel{(3.13)}{\leq} 2(c+d) \|f\|_{L_1(\tilde{\nu})}. \end{aligned}$$

This proves inequality (3.11).

On the other hand, we have

$$(3.14) \quad \|f\|_{L_1(\tilde{\nu})} \leq 2 \max\{c, d\} \|f\|_{L_1(\nu)}$$

for every  $f \in \text{sim}(\Sigma)$ . Indeed, observe that

$$\begin{aligned}
\|f\|_{L_1(\tilde{\nu})} &\stackrel{(3.8)}{\leq} 2 \sup_{A \in \Sigma} \left\| \int_A f \, d\tilde{\nu} \right\|_Z \\
&\stackrel{(3.12)}{=} 2 \sup_{A \in \Sigma} \max \left\{ \left\| \int_{A \cap A_1} f|_{A_1} \, d\nu_1 \right\|_{X_1}, \left\| \int_{A \cap A_2} f|_{A_2} \, d\nu_2 \right\|_{X_2} \right\} \\
&\stackrel{(3.8)}{\leq} 2 \max \{ \|f|_{A_1}\|_{L_1(\nu_1)}, \|f|_{A_2}\|_{L_1(\nu_2)} \} \\
&\stackrel{(3.9) \ \& \ (3.10)}{\leq} 2 \max \{ c \|f|_{A_1}\|_{L_1(\nu_{A_1})}, d \|f|_{A_2}\|_{L_1(\nu_{A_2})} \} \\
&\leq 2 \max \{ c, d \} \|f\|_{L_1(\nu)},
\end{aligned}$$

as claimed.

Finally, inequalities (3.11) and (3.14) allow to apply Lemma 2.2 to deduce that  $L_1(\nu) = L_1(\tilde{\nu})$  with equivalent norms.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $X$  be a Banach space, let  $(\Omega, \Sigma)$  be a measurable space and let  $\nu \in \text{ca}(\Sigma, X)$ . If  $\nu$  is atomless and  $L_1(\nu)$  has density character  $\aleph_k$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , then there is  $\tilde{\nu} \in \text{ca}(\Sigma, c_0(\aleph_k))$  such that  $L_1(\nu) = L_1(\tilde{\nu})$  with equivalent norms.*

*Proof.* Let  $\mu$  be a Rybakov control measure of  $\nu$ . Then  $\mu$  is atomless and  $L_1(\mu)$  has density character  $\aleph_k$ . Therefore, there exists a finite partition  $\{A_1, \dots, A_n\}$  of  $\Omega$  consisting of elements of  $\Sigma$  such that, for each  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , the restriction of  $\mu$  to  $\Sigma_{A_i}$  is homogeneous and has Maharam type  $\aleph_{m_i}$  for some  $m_i \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$  satisfying  $m_1 < m_2 < \dots < m_n = k$  (see, e.g., [9, Section 3] or [12, p. 122, Theorem 7]). Now, for each  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  we can apply either Theorem 1.1 or Theorem 1.2 to  $\nu_{A_i}$  in order to get  $\nu_i \in \text{ca}(\Sigma_{A_i}, c_0(\aleph_{m_i}))$  such that  $L_1(\nu_{A_i}) = L_1(\nu_i)$  with equal norms. Let us consider the Banach space

$$Y := \left( \bigoplus_{i=1}^n c_0(\aleph_{m_i}) \right)_{\infty},$$

which is isometric to  $c_0(\aleph_k)$ . Finally, we can apply inductively Lemma 3.1 to get  $\tilde{\nu} \in \text{ca}(\Sigma, Y)$  such that  $L_1(\nu) = L_1(\tilde{\nu})$  with equivalent norms.  $\square$

Let  $X$  be a Banach space, let  $(\Omega, \Sigma)$  be a measurable space and let  $\nu : \Sigma \rightarrow X$  be a map. The Orlicz-Pettis theorem (see, e.g., [5, p. 22, Corollary 4]) implies that  $\nu \in \text{ca}(\Sigma, X)$  if and only if the composition of  $\nu$  with each  $x^* \in X^*$  is countably additive. Diestel and Faires [4] (cf. [5, p. 23, Corollary 7]) proved that if  $X$  contains no closed subspace isomorphic to  $\ell_{\infty}$  and  $\Delta \subseteq X^*$  is a total set (i.e.,  $\bigcap_{x^* \in \Delta} \ker x^* = \{0\}$ ), then  $\nu \in \text{ca}(\Sigma, X)$  if and only if the composition of  $\nu$  with each  $x^* \in \Delta$  is countably additive. As an application, we get part (i) of the following result, which also collects further properties of  $c_0(\kappa)$ -valued vector measures.

**Theorem 3.3.** *Let  $(\Omega, \Sigma)$  be a measurable space and let  $\nu : \Sigma \rightarrow c_0(\kappa)$  be a map, where  $\kappa$  is a cardinal. For each  $\alpha < \kappa$ , let  $e_{\alpha}^* \in c_0(\kappa)^*$  be the  $\alpha$ th-coordinate projection and let  $\nu_{\alpha} : \Sigma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be the composition of  $\nu$  with  $e_{\alpha}^*$ . The following statements hold:*



- (i)  $\nu \in \text{ca}(\Sigma, c_0(\kappa))$  if and only if  $\nu_\alpha \in \text{ca}(\Sigma, \mathbb{R})$  for all  $\alpha < \kappa$ .
- (ii) If  $\nu \in \text{ca}(\Sigma, c_0(\kappa))$ , then:
  - (ii.a) There is a countable set  $\Gamma \subseteq \kappa$  such that  $\bigcap_{\alpha \in \Gamma} \mathcal{N}(\nu_\alpha) \subseteq \mathcal{N}(\nu)$ .
  - (ii.b) For each  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is a countable partition  $\kappa = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \Gamma_{n,\varepsilon}$  such that for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and for every  $A \in \Sigma$  the set  $\{\alpha \in \Gamma_{n,\varepsilon} : |\nu_\alpha(A)| > \varepsilon\}$  has cardinality less than  $n$ .

*Proof.* (i) This follows from the aforementioned result of Diestel and Faires applied to the total set  $\Delta := \{e_\alpha^* : \alpha < \kappa\} \subseteq c_0(\kappa)^*$  (bear in mind that weakly compactly generated Banach spaces, like  $c_0(\kappa)$ , contain no closed subspace isomorphic to  $\ell_\infty$ ).

(ii.a) Let  $\mu$  be a Rybakov control measure of  $\nu$ . Since  $c_0(\kappa)^* = \ell_1(\kappa)$ , there is  $\varphi \in \ell_1(\kappa)$  such that  $\mu = |\varphi \circ \nu|$ . The set  $\Gamma := \{\alpha < \kappa : \varphi(\alpha) \neq 0\}$  is countable and  $(\varphi \circ \nu)(A) = \sum_{\alpha \in \Gamma} \varphi(\alpha) \nu_\alpha(A)$  for every  $A \in \Sigma$ , the series being absolutely convergent. Clearly, the inclusion  $\bigcap_{\alpha \in \Gamma} \mathcal{N}(\nu_\alpha) \subseteq \mathcal{N}(\mu) = \mathcal{N}(\nu)$  holds.

(ii.b) Let  $K \subseteq c_0(\kappa)$  be the weak closure of the set  $\{\nu(A) : A \in \Sigma\}$ . Then  $K$  is weakly compact (see, e.g., [5, p. 14, Corollary 7]) and, in fact, it is uniform Eberlein compact (i.e., it is homeomorphic to a weakly compact subset of a Hilbert space) when equipped with the weak topology, [18, Corollary 2.3]. The conclusion follows from Farmaki's characterization of those compact subsets of sigma-products which are uniform Eberlein compact, see [8] (cf. [11, Corollary 6.33(i)]).  $\square$

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