

## A NOTE ON THE COSINE EQUATION FOR PROBABILITY MEASURES ON LOCALLY COMPACT SEMIGROUPS

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### Abstract

In this note we study the cosine equation (5) where  $\mu_t (t \in \mathbf{R})$  is probability measure on locally compact semigroup. If, in addition, the function  $t \mapsto \mu_t (t \in \mathbf{R})$  satisfies the condition (6) it is shown that the solution of (5) is of the form  $\mu_t = \cos^* t \mu (t \in \mathbf{R})$ , where  $\mu \in M^1(S)$  is unique.

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Let  $S$  be a locally compact (Hausdorff) second countable semigroup with identity  $e$ . By a measure on  $S$ , we mean a finite regular non-negative measure on the class  $B_S$  of all Borel sets in  $S$ .  $P(S)$  denotes the set of all regular probability measures defined on  $S$ . Let  $K(S)$  be the space, of all (real-valued) continuous functions with compact support.  $K(S)$  can be normed by  $\|f\| = \sup_{x \in S} |f(x)| (f \in K(S))$ .

A net  $(\mu_\alpha)$  of a measures converges **vaguely** to a measure  $\mu$  if

$$\lim_{\alpha} \int_S f d\mu_{\alpha} = \int_S f d\mu, f \in K(S). \quad (1)$$

Then we write  $\mu = (v) \lim_{\alpha} \mu_{\alpha}$  or  $\mu_{\alpha} \xrightarrow{v} \mu$ .

The convolution  $\mu * \nu$  of two measures  $\mu, \nu$  is defined by

$$\int_S f d(\mu * \nu) = \int_S \int_S f(xy) d\mu(x) d\nu(y), f \in K(S). \quad (2)$$

If  $\mu, \nu \in P(S)$ , then  $\mu * \nu \in P(S)$ . Moreover  $P(S)$  is a topological semigroup with respect to the convolution (i.e. the mapping  $*$  :  $P(S) \times P(S) \rightarrow P(S)$  is jointly continuous in the vague topology).

$\mu * \mu \dots * \mu$  (with  $n$  terms) we denote by  $\mu^n$ . We also put  $\mu^0 = \delta_e$ , where  $\delta_e \in P(S)$  is concentrated at the identity  $e$ .

For  $\mu \in P(S)$  and  $t \in \mathbf{R}$  put

$$\mu_t = \cos^* t \mu = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^{2n}}{(2n)!} \mu^n. \quad (3)$$

The measure  $\mu_t$  is determined uniquely by relation

$$\int_S f d\mu_t = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^{2n}}{(2n)!} \int_S f d\mu^n, f \in K(S). \tag{4}$$

We assert that the function  $t \mapsto \mu_t$  ( $t \in \mathbf{R}$ ) satisfies the cosine equation

$$\mu_{t+s} + \mu_{t-s} = 2\mu_t * \mu_s, t, s \in \mathbf{R}. \tag{5}$$

Indeed, for  $f \in K(S)$  and  $t, s \in \mathbf{R}$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_S f d(\mu_{t+s} + \mu_{t-s}) &= \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n)!} \left[ \sum_{k=0}^{2n} \binom{2n}{k} t^k s^{2n-k} + \sum_{k=0}^{2n} (-1)^k \binom{2n}{k} t^k s^{2n-k} \right] \int_S f d\mu^n = \\ &= 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{t^{2k} s^{2n-2k}}{(2k)!(2n-2k)!} \right] \int_S f d\mu^n, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \int_S f d(\mu_t * \mu_s) &= \int_S \left[ \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{s^{2k}}{(2k)!} \int_S f(xy) d\mu^k(y) \right] d\mu_t(x) = \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^{2i} s^{2k}}{(2i)!(2k)!} \int_S f d\mu^{k+i} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{t^{2k} s^{2n-2k}}{(2k)!(2n-2k)!} \right] \int_S f d\mu^n \end{aligned}$$

Therefore (5) holds.

Now we shall consider the following problem. If we have a function  $t \mapsto \mu_t$  from  $\mathbf{R}$  into  $P(S)$  which satisfies (5) does there exist a measure  $\mu$ , which is not in  $P(S)$ , such that (3) and (4) hold.

For this purpose, by  $M^1(S)$  we denote the set of all regular (real-valued) signed measures on  $B_S$ .

**Theorem.** *Let  $S$  be a locally compact (Hausdorff) second countable semigroup with identity  $e$  and let  $t \mapsto \mu_t$  be a function from  $\mathbf{R}$  into  $P(S)$  which satisfies cosine equation (5) and*

$$\mu_0 = \delta_e, \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \mu_t(e) = 1. \tag{6}$$

*Then there exists an unique  $\mu \in M^1(S)$  such that  $\mu_t = \cos * t\mu$ ,  $t \in \mathbf{R}$  in the sense of (3) and (4).*

**Proof.** By the Riesz representation theorem there is a one-to-one correspondence between the set  $M^1(S)$  and the dual of  $K(S)$ . Elements from  $P(S)$  correspond to positive functionals with norm one. By [1], VIII. 3.1, p.142,  $M^1(S)$  is Banach algebra with convolution as multiplication and norm defined by

$$\|\mu\| = |\mu|(S), \mu \in M^1(S), \quad (7)$$

where  $|\mu|$  is the total variation of  $\mu$ .  $\delta_e$  is identity in  $M^1(S)$ .

Since  $P(S) \subset M^1(S)$  function  $t \mapsto \mu_t$  ( $t \in \mathbf{R}$ ) is the cosine function from  $\mathbf{R}$  into  $M^1(S)$ . Moreover we have

$$\|\mu_t - \delta_e\| = |\mu_t - \delta_e|(S) = 1 - \mu_t(e) + \mu_t(\{e\}^c) = 2[1 - \mu_t(e)].$$

It follows from (6) that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \mu_t = \delta_e \text{ (in } M^1(S)\text{)}. \quad (8)$$

Thus the function  $t \mapsto \mu_t$  from  $\mathbf{R}$  into  $M^1(S)$  is continuous, and therefore measurable cosine function. Then by [3] (Theorem 1) there exists the unique  $\mu \in M^1(S)$  such that

$$\mu_t = \cos t \mu = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^{2n}}{(2n)!} \mu^n, t \in \mathbf{R}, \quad (9)$$

where the series in (9) is convergent in  $M^1(S)$  for every  $t \in \mathbf{R}$ .

Since

$$\left| \int_s f(x) d\mu(x) \right| \leq \|\mu\| \|f\|, f \in K(S), \mu \in M^1(S) \quad (10)$$

we have  $\mu_t = \cos^* t \mu$  in the sense of (3) and (4).

Q.E.D.

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## O kosinusnoj jednadžbi za vjerojatnosne mjere na lokalno kompaktnim polugrupama

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### SAŽETAK

U članku se proučava kosinusova jednadžba (5), gdje je  $\mu_t (t \in \mathbf{R})$  vjerojatnosna mjera na lokalno kompaktnoj polugrupi. Ako, povrh toga, funkcija  $t \mapsto \mu_t (t \in \mathbf{R})$  zadovoljava uvjet (6), pokazano je da je rješenje jednadžbe (5) oblika  $\mu_t = \cos^* t\mu (t \in \mathbf{R})$ , gdje je  $\mu \in M^1(S)$  jedinstven.

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