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A FEW REMARKS

ON THE RESULTS OF ROSINSKI AND SUCHANECKI CONCERNING

UNCONDITIONAL CONVERGENCE AND C-SEQUENCES

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In this exposé I would like to present some of the recent preliminary results obtained by my students J. Rosinski and Z. Suchanecki (the full version of their paper to be published elsewhere). The results deal with unconditional convergence of series in metric groups, unconditional almost sure convergence of group valued functions and the C-sequences i.e. the sequences in F-spaces that are summable after multiplication by all  $c_0$ -multipliers. In spite of their elementary character these results to some extent complement the work on the topic done, mainly in Paris, during last few years (cf. References).

### § I. UNCONDITIONAL CONVERGENCE IN METRIC GROUPS

Let  $(G, d)$  be an abelian, metric, complete group. We may assume (cf. [5]) that  $d$  is invariant under translations. Usage :  $\|g\| = d(g, 0)$ ,  $g \in G$ . We say that the series  $\sum g_n$ ,  $g_n \in G$ , is unconditionally convergent if it remains convergent after every permutation of its terms. The following "uniformization" lemma is a convenient tool.

Lemma 1 : The series  $\sum g_n$ ,  $g_n \in G$ , is unconditionally convergent if and only if  $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists N \in \mathbf{N} \forall$  permutation  $(n_k)$  of  $[N, \infty[$  and  $\forall 1 \leq M_1 \leq M_2 < \infty$

$$\left\| \sum_{k=M_1}^{M_2} g_{n_k} \right\| < \varepsilon .$$

Proof : The implication  $\Leftarrow$  is obvious. We prove  $\Rightarrow$ . Assume that  $\exists \varepsilon > 0 \forall N \exists$  permutation  $(n_k)$  of  $[N, \infty[$  and  $\exists M_1 \leq M_2$  such that

$$\left\| \sum_{k=M_1}^{M_2} g_{n_k} \right\| > \varepsilon .$$

Now, if  $N = 1$  we find a permutation  $(n_k^{(1)})$  of  $[1, \infty[$  and  $M_1^{(1)} \leq M_2^{(1)}$  such that

$$\left\| \sum_{k=M_1^{(1)}}^{M_2^{(1)}} g_{n_k^{(1)}} \right\| > \varepsilon .$$

Let  $A_1 = \max\{n_k^{(1)} : M_1^{(1)} \leq k \leq M_2^{(1)}\}$ . Take  $N = A_1 + 1$  and find a permutation  $(n_k^{(2)})$  of  $[A_1 + 1, \infty[$  and  $M_1^{(2)} \leq M_2^{(2)}$  such that

$$\left\| \sum_{k=M_1^{(2)}}^{M_2^{(2)}} g_{n_k^{(2)}} \right\| > \varepsilon ,$$

and let  $A_2 = \max\{n_k^{(1)} : M_1^{(2)} \leq k \leq M_2^{(2)}\}$ . Proceeding as above one chooses accordingly  $n_k^{(i)}$ ,  $M_1^{(i)}$ ,  $M_2^{(i)}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots$ . Denoting by  $h_j$  those  $g_j$  which are not of the form  $g_{n_k^{(i)}}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots$ ,  $M_1^{(i)} \leq k \leq M_2^{(i)}$  we see that the series

$$\sum_{k=M_1^{(1)}}^{M_2^{(1)}} g_{n_k^{(1)}} + h_1 + \sum_{k=M_1^{(2)}}^{M_2^{(2)}} g_{n_k^{(2)}} + h_2 + \dots$$

does not converge. A contradiction.

Proposition 1 : The series  $\sum g_n$ ,  $g_n \in G$ , is unconditionally convergent if and only if for each bounded sequence of integers  $(i_n) \subset \mathbb{N}$  the series  $\sum i_n g_n$  is convergent.

Proof : The implication  $\Leftarrow$  with  $i_n = \pm 1$  is essentially due to Orlicz (cf. [10]). To prove  $\Rightarrow$  assume  $\sum g_n$  converges unconditionally. By Orlicz's theorem (cf. [10]) for arbitrary  $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots = \pm 1$ , the series  $\sum \varepsilon_n g_n$  is unconditionally convergent so that by lemma 1  $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \forall$  permutation  $(n_k)$  of  $[N, \infty[ \forall M_1 \leq M_2$

$$\left\| \sum_{k=M_1}^{M_2} \varepsilon_{n_k} g_{n_k} \right\| < \varepsilon .$$

Assume that  $(i_n)$  is bounded by  $i_0$ . By the above statement we get that  $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists N \forall M_1 \leq M_2$

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \sum_{n=M_1}^{M_2} i_n g_n \right\| &\leq 1 \left\| \sum_{n=M_1}^{M_2} \varepsilon_n g_n^{(1)} \right\| + 2 \left\| \sum_{n=M_1}^{M_2} \varepsilon_n g_n^{(2)} \right\| + \dots + i_0 \left\| \sum_{n=M_1}^{M_2} \varepsilon_n g_n^{(i_0)} \right\| \\ &\leq \frac{i_0(i_0 + 1)}{2} \varepsilon , \end{aligned}$$

where  $\varepsilon_n = \text{sgn } i_n$  and  $g_n^{(i)} = g_n$  if  $i_n = i$  and  $g_n^{(i)} = 0$  if  $i_n \neq i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, i_0$ . That ends the proof.

Theorem 1 : If the series  $\sum g_n$ ,  $g_n \in G$ , is unconditionally convergent then there exists a sequence of integers  $(i_n) \subset \mathbb{N}$ ,  $i_n \uparrow \infty$  such that  $\sum i_n g_n$  is unconditionally convergent.

Proof : By Lemma 1  $\forall 1 \leq r < \infty \exists N_r \forall$  permutation  $(n_k)$  of  $[N_r, \infty[ \forall M_1 \leq M_2$  we have

$$\left\| \sum_{k=M_1}^{M_2} g_{n_k} \right\| < 3^{-r} .$$

We may assume that  $N_1 < N_2 < \dots$ . Put  $i_n = r$  for  $N_r \leq n < N_{r+1}$ . We shall show that the series  $\sum i_n g_n$  satisfies the Cauchy condition for each permutation of its term. Assume that it is not the case i.e. that  $\exists$  permutation  $(m_k)$  of  $\mathbb{N}$  such that  $\exists \varepsilon_0 > 0 \exists M_1 \leq M_2 \leq \dots$  such that

$$(*) \quad \left\| \sum_{k=M_r}^{M_{r+1}-1} i_{m_k} g_{m_k} \right\| > \varepsilon_0, \quad r = 1, 2, \dots .$$

Now, take  $s \in \mathbb{N}$  so that  $2^{-s} < \varepsilon_0$  and then take  $r_0$  such that for  $k \geq M_{r_0}$ ,  $m_k > N_s$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \sum_{k=M_{r_0}}^{M_{r_0+1}-1} i_{m_k} g_{m_k} \right\| &= \left\| \sum_{j=s}^{\infty} \sum_{\substack{k=M_{r_0} \\ N_j \leq m_k < N_{j+1}}}^{M_{r_0+1}-1} i_{m_k} g_{m_k} \right\| \\ &\leq \sum_{j=s}^{\infty} j \left\| \sum_{\substack{k=M_{r_0} \\ N_j \leq m_k < N_{j+1}}}^{M_{r_0+1}-1} g_{m_k} \right\| \leq \sum_{j=s}^{\infty} j 3^{-j} < 2^{-s} < \varepsilon_0 \end{aligned}$$

what contradicts (\*).

In the case of  $G$  being a linear space and of real (instead of integer) multipliers the picture is much different as there are examples [11] such spaces in which there exist unconditionally convergent series  $\sum x_n$  such that for some bounded multipliers  $(\alpha_n) \subset \mathbb{R}$  the series  $\sum \alpha_n x_n$  diverges. Some linear metric spaces in which unconditional convergence implies bounded multiplier convergence are found in [10], [13] and in references quoted therein. However, from the above theorem one gets immediately the following

Corollary 1 : Let  $f_n \in L^{\Phi}(\Omega, \mathfrak{F}, \mu; E)$  where  $\Phi$  is a (possibly bounded) Orlicz function,  $\mu \geq 0$ ,  $\mu(\Omega) < \infty$ , and  $E$  is a Banach space. If the series  $\sum f_n$  is unconditionally convergent in  $L^{\Phi}$  then there exists a sequence  $(i_n) \subset \mathbb{N}$ ,  $i_n \uparrow \infty$  such that for  $\forall (\alpha_n) \subset \mathbb{R}$ ,  $|\alpha_n| \leq i_n$ , the series  $\sum \alpha_n f_n$  converges in  $L^{\Phi}$  (unconditionally).

Proof : Apply Theorem 1 with  $G = L^{\Phi}(\Omega, \mathfrak{F}, \mu; E)$  and  $\|\cdot\|$  being the usual Orlicz F-norm. Thus  $\exists (i_n) \subset \mathbb{N}$ ,  $i_n \uparrow \infty$ , such that  $\sum i_n f_n$  converges unconditionally in  $L^{\Phi}$ . Put  $\beta_n = \alpha_n / i_n$ . Then  $|\beta_n| \leq 1$  and by the main result of [13]  $\sum \beta_n i_n f_n = \sum \alpha_n f_n$  converges in  $L^{\Phi}$ .

## § II. UNCONDITIONAL ALMOST SURE CONVERGENCE FOR GROUP-VALUED FUNCTIONS

Consider a sequence  $(f_n)$  of measurable functions on the finite measure space  $(\Omega, \mathfrak{F}, \mu)$  with values in  $(G, \|\cdot\|)$ . We say that the series  $\sum f_n$  is convergent unconditionally almost everywhere if after every permutation of its terms the series converges  $\mu$ -a.e.

Notation :  $\|f\|_F = \int_{\Omega} [\|f(\omega)\| / (1 + \|f(\omega)\|)] \mu(d\omega)$ . As in Section I, the following uniformization lemma will be instrumental.

Lemma 2 : The series  $\sum f_n$  is unconditionally a.e. convergent if and only if  $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \forall$  permutation  $(n_k)$  of  $[N, \infty[ \forall$  bounded integer valued measurable functions  $M_1(\omega) \leq M_2(\omega)$  we have that

$$\| \sum_{k=M_1}^{M_2} f_{n_k} \|_F < \varepsilon .$$

Proof :  $\Rightarrow$ . Firstly, let us notice that

$$(**) \quad \|f\|_F > \varepsilon \text{ implies that } \mu\{\omega : \|f(\omega)\| > \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\} > \frac{\varepsilon}{2} .$$

Assume to the contrary that  $\exists \varepsilon > 0 \forall N \exists$  permutation  $(n_k)$  of  $[N, \infty[ \exists$  bounded measurable functions  $M_1(\omega) \leq M_2(\omega)$  such that

$$\| \sum_{k=M_1}^{M_2} f_{n_k} \|_F > \varepsilon .$$

If  $N = 1$  we find a permutation  $(n_k^{(1)})$  of  $[1, \infty[$  and  $M_1^{(1)}(\omega) \leq M_2^{(1)}(\omega)$  such that, by (\*\*)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\varepsilon}{2} &< \mu\{\omega : \left\| \sum_{k=1}^{M_2^{(1)}(\omega)} f_{n_k^{(1)}}(\omega) \right\| + \left\| \sum_{k=1}^{M_1^{(1)}(\omega)-1} f_{n_k^{(1)}}(\omega) \right\| > \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\} \\ &\leq \mu\{\omega : 2 \max_{1 \leq k \leq M^{(1)}} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^k f_{n_j^{(1)}}(\omega) \right\| > \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\} \end{aligned}$$

where  $M^{(1)} = \max_{\omega} M_2^{(1)}(\omega)$ . Then put  $A_1 = \max\{n_k^{(1)} : k \leq M^{(1)}\}$  and find a permutation  $(n_k^{(2)})$  of  $[A_1 + 1, \infty[$  and an integer  $M^{(2)}$  such that

$$\frac{\varepsilon}{2} < \mu\{\omega : 2 \max_{1 \leq k \leq M^{(2)}} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^k f_{n_j^{(2)}}(\omega) \right\| > \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\} .$$

Proceeding by induction we find permutations  $(n_k^{(i)})$  and integers  $M^{(i)}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots$  such that the series

$$\sum_{k=1}^{M^{(1)}} f_{n_k^{(1)}} + \varphi_1 + \sum_{k=1}^{M^{(2)}} f_{n_k^{(2)}} + \varphi_2 + \dots$$

(where  $\varphi_j$  are those  $f_j$  that are missing in the sums constructed above) does not satisfy the Cauchy condition for a.e. convergence. A contradiction.

The implication  $\Leftarrow$  follows immediately from the lemma of [10] which says that if  $\sum f_n(\omega)$  diverges on the set of positive measure then  $\exists \varepsilon > 0 \exists F, \mu(F) > 0 \exists N_1 < N_2 < \dots$  such that

$$\max_{N_i \leq k \leq N_{i+1}} \left\| \sum_{j=N_i}^k f_j(\omega) \right\| > \varepsilon, \quad \forall \omega \in F, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots .$$

Exactly as in Section I (Proposition 1), using Lemma 2 and Theorem 2 of [10] one can prove (but only one implication can be proved this way !)

**Proposition 2** : If the series  $\sum f_n$  is unconditionally almost everywhere convergent then for each bounded sequence  $(i_n) \subset \mathbb{N}$  the series  $\sum i_n f_n$  is convergent a.e.



Now, one can prove, following the lines of the proof of Theorem 1 (or of [6]), but utilizing Lemma 2 instead of Lemma 1, the following

Theorem 2 : If the series  $\sum f_n$  is convergent unconditionally a.e. then one can find a sequence of integers  $(i_n)$ ,  $i_n \uparrow \infty$  such that  $\sum i_n f_n$  converges unconditionally a.e.

Using the above Theorem 2 and the Theorem 2 from [10] one gets immediately Theorem 3 of [10] as a

Corollary 2 : If  $(G, \|\cdot\|)$  is a Banach space and if the series  $\sum f_n$  is unconditionally a.e. convergent then  $\exists (i_n)$ ,  $i_n \uparrow \infty$  such that  $\forall (\alpha_n) \subset \mathbb{R}$ ,  $|\alpha_n| < i_n$  the series  $\sum \alpha_n f_n$  converges unconditionally a.e.

### § III. C-SEQUENCES AND C-SPACES

Recall that a sequence  $(x_n)$  of an F-space  $X$  is said to be a C-sequence if  $\forall (\alpha_n) \in c_0$  the series  $\sum \alpha_n x_n$  converges. An F-space  $X$  is said to be a C-space if for any C-sequence  $(x_n) \subset X$  the series  $\sum x_n$  converges. L. Schwartz [12] has proved that if in an F-space  $X$  every C-sequence converges to zero then  $X$  is a C-space, and Bessaga-Pełczyński [1] have shown that if  $X$  is not a C-space then it contains a subspace isomorphic to  $c_0$ . Some examples of C-spaces are in [12] and [14] and in [2] one can find alternative characterizations of C-spaces.

In what follows  $(E, \|\cdot\|)$  will be a real Banach space and we shall say that  $E$  is of cotype  $p$  ( $2 \leq p < \infty$ ) if the convergence a.s. of the series  $\sum \varepsilon_n x_n$  ( $\varepsilon_n$ -Rademachers) implies that  $\sum \|x_n\|^p < \infty$ . Equivalently  $E$  is of cotype- $p$  iff  $\exists C > 0 \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \forall x_1, \dots, x_n \in E$

$$(***) \quad \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^p \leq CE \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \varepsilon_i x_i \right\|^p$$

(cf. e.g. [9]). We shall also have need of the following "uniformization" Lemma the proof thereof is a straightforward adaptation of the proof of Lemma 1 from [10].

Lemma 3 : If the series  $\sum f_n$ ,  $f_n \in L^0(T, \mathfrak{F}, \mu; E)$  is unbounded on a set of positive measure  $\mu$  then  $\exists F \in \mathfrak{F}$ ,  $\mu(F) > 0$  and  $\exists N_1 < N_2 < \dots$  such that

$$\max_{N_i \leq k < N_{i+1}} \left\| \sum_{j=N_i}^k f_j(t) \right\| > i, \quad \forall t \in F, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots$$

The theorem proved below is, in the case  $E = \mathbb{R}$ , due to Kolmogorov and Khinchine [7] (cf. also Kwapien [8]) but the proof given below differs essentially from those of [7] and [8].

Theorem 3 : Let  $E$  be a Banach space. Then the following two conditions are equivalent

- (a) for arbitrary finite measure space  $(T, \mathfrak{F}, \mu)$  and for arbitrary C-sequence  $(f_n) \subset L^0(T, \mathfrak{F}, \mu; E)$  the series  $\sum \|f_n(t)\|^p$  is  $\mu$ -a.e. convergent  
 (b)  $E$  is of cotype  $p$ .

Proof : (a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b). Let  $T = [0, 1]$ ,  $\mathfrak{F}$ -Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra,  $\mu$ -Lebesgue measure. Take  $(x_n) \subset E$  such that  $\sum r_n(t) x_n$  is  $\mu$ -a.e. convergent,  $r_n$  being the usual Rademacher functions. By the contraction principle (Kahane [4]) for any  $(\alpha_n) \in c_0$ ,  $\sum \alpha_n r_n(t) x_n$  converges  $\mu$ -a.e. what implies that  $(r_n x_n)$  is a C-sequence in  $L^0(T, \mathfrak{F}, \mu; E)$ . Hence the series  $\sum \|r_n(t) x_n\|^p = \sum \|x_n\|^p$  converges so that  $E$  is of cotype  $p$ .

(b)  $\Rightarrow$  (a). Assume  $\mu(T) = 1$ . Let  $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots$  be some Rademacher's r.v.s. on certain probability space  $(\Omega, P)$ . We first show that for arbitrary C-sequence  $(f_n) \subset L^0(T, \mathfrak{F}, \mu; E)$  the series  $\sum \varepsilon_n(\omega) f_n(t)$  is  $P \times \mu$ -a.e. bounded on  $\Omega \times T$ . Indeed, assume it is not. Then by Lemma 3  $\exists \delta > 0$  and  $N_1 < N_2 < \dots$  such that

$$(P \times \mu) \left\{ \max_{N_i \leq k < N_{i+1}} \left\| \sum_{j=N_i}^k \varepsilon_j(\omega) f_j(t) \right\| > i \right\} \geq \delta$$

By the Fubini theorem,  $\forall i = 1, 2, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta &\leq \int_T P \left\{ \max_{N_i \leq k < N_{i+1}} \left\| \sum_{j=N_i}^k \varepsilon_j(\omega) f_j(t) \right\| > i \right\} \mu(dt) \\ &\leq 2 \int_T P \left\{ \left\| \sum_{j=N_i}^{N_{i+1}-1} \varepsilon_j(\omega) f_j(t) \right\| > i \right\} \mu(dt) \\ &= 2(P \times \mu) \left\{ \left\| \sum_{j=N_i}^{N_{i+1}-1} \varepsilon_j(\omega) f_j(t) \right\| > i \right\} \end{aligned}$$

the last inequality being motivated by the fact that for fixed  $t$   $\varepsilon_j(\omega)f_j(t)$ ,  $j=1,2, \dots$  form a sequence of independent and symmetric random vectors [3]. Therefore  $\forall i \exists N_i$  such that

$$\mu\left\{\left\|\sum_{j=N_i}^{N_{i+1}-j} \varepsilon_j(\omega)f_j(t)\right\| > i\right\} \geq \frac{\delta}{2}.$$

Taking  $\alpha_j = \varepsilon_j(\omega)/\sqrt{i}$  for  $N_i \leq j < N_{i+1}$ ,  $(\alpha_j) \in c_0$ , and we get that

$$\mu\left\{\left\|\sum_{j=N_i}^{N_{i+1}-1} \alpha_j f_j\right\| > \sqrt{i}\right\} \geq \frac{\delta}{2}$$

what contradicts the assumption that  $(f_n)$  is a C-sequence in  $L^0(T, \mathfrak{F}, \mu; E)$ .

Now, by the Fubini theorem for  $\mu$  almost all  $t \in T$

$$M(\omega) = \sup_n \left\|\sum_{j=1}^n \varepsilon_j(\omega)f_j(t)\right\| < \infty$$

with probability  $P = 1$ . Then by Th. 2.4 of [4]  $M^p \in L^1$  for each  $p \geq 1$ . Because  $E$  is of cotype  $p$  then by (\*\*\*) we get that

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \|f_j(t)\|^p \leq C \int_{\Omega} \left\|\sum_{j=1}^n \varepsilon_j(\omega)f_j(t)\right\|^p dP \leq C \int_{\Omega} M^p(\omega) dP$$

so that  $\sum \|f_n(t)\|^p < \infty$  for  $\mu$ -a. a.  $t \in T$ . Q.E.D.

Using the above Theorem 3 one can get (as e.g. in L. Schwartz [12])

**Corollary 3** : If  $E$  is of cotype  $p$  for some  $2 \leq p < \infty$  then  $\forall q$ ,  $0 \leq q < \infty$ ,  $L^q(T, \mathfrak{F}, \mu; E)$  is a C-space.

Same results for Orlicz spaces of  $E$  valued functions analogous to [14]. Gilles Pisier made a remark to the effect that in view of the, rather deep, results of J. Hoffmann-Jørgensen [15] and S. Kwapien' [16] one can obtain the more general result saying that  $E$  is a C-space iff  $\forall q$ ,  $0 \leq q < \infty$ ,  $L^q(E)$  is a C-space. For  $1 \leq q < \infty$  this actually is proven in [15] and [16].

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