

Strong mixing measures and invariant sets in linear dynamics

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Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a linear operator on a topological vector space (in short, tvs) X .

Definitions

- Given two operators (Y, S) and (X, T) , we will say that T is **quasi-conjugated** to S if there exists a continuous map $\phi : Y \rightarrow X$ with dense range such that $T \circ \phi = \phi \circ S$. If ϕ can be chosen to be a homeomorphism, then S and T are conjugated.
- (X, T) is called **topologically transitive** if for any pair of nonempty open sets $U, V \subset X$ there exists an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $T^n(U) \cap V \neq \emptyset$.

- (X, T) is called **mixing** if for any pair of nonempty open sets $U, V \subset X$ there exists some $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $T^n(U) \cap V \neq \emptyset$ for every integer $n \geq n_0$.
- (X, T) is **weakly mixing** if $T \times T$ is transitive.
- (X, T) is called **hypercyclic** if there is some $x \in X$ whose orbit $\text{Orb}(x, T)$ is dense in X .
- (X, T) is called **chaotic** if it is hypercyclic and the set of periodic points of T is dense in X .

The corresponding notions for a sequence of operators $T_n : X \rightarrow X$ are defined by considering the sequence $(T_n)_n$.

Definitions

A Borel probability measure μ , has **full support** if for all non-empty open set $U \subset X$ we have $\mu(U) > 0$. T is **ergodic** if $T^{-1}(A) = A$ for $A \in \mathfrak{B}$ implies $\mu(A)(1 - \mu(A)) = 0$. T is **strongly mixing** with respect to μ if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A \cap T^{-n}(B)) = \mu(A)\mu(B) \quad (A, B \in \mathfrak{B}),$$

Definition

An operator T on a t.v.s space X is called **frequently hypercyclic** if there is some $x \in X$ such that, for any nonempty open subset U of X ,

$$\liminf_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\text{card}\{0 \leq n \leq N; T^n x \in U\}}{N + 1} > 0.$$

Under the same hypothesis of the Frequent Hypercyclicity Criterion, given by Bonilla and Grosse-Erdmann, we derive a stronger result by showing that a T -invariant mixing measure can be obtained.

Theorem

Let T be an operator on a **separable Banach space** X . If there is a dense subset X_0 of X and a sequence of maps $S_n : X_0 \rightarrow X_0$ such that, for each $x \in X_0$,

- (i) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} T^n x$ converges unconditionally
- (ii) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} S_n x$ converges unconditionally, and
- (iii) $T^n S_n x = x$ and $T^m S_n x = S_{n-m} x$ if $n > m$.

then there is a T -invariant strongly mixing Borel probability measure μ on X with full support.

Sketch of the proof

The idea behind the proof is to construct

- 1 a “model” probability space $(Z, \bar{\mu})$ and
- 2 a Borel measurable map $\Phi : Z \rightarrow X$, where
 - $Z \subset \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{Z}}$ is such that $\sigma(Z) = Z$ for the Bernoulli shift $\sigma(\dots, n_{-1}, n_0, n_1, \dots) = (\dots, n_0, n_1, n_2, \dots)$,
 - $\bar{\mu}$ is a σ^{-1} -invariant strongly mixing measure,
 - $\Phi\sigma^{-1} = T\Phi$,

As a consequence the Borel probability measure μ on X defined by $\mu(A) = \bar{\mu}(\Phi^{-1}(A))$, $A \in \mathfrak{B}(X)$, is T -invariant and strongly mixing.

Corollary

Let $B_w : X \rightarrow X$ be a bilateral weighted backward shift on $X = \ell_p(\mathbb{Z})$ defined as

$$B_w(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} = (w_{n+1}x_{n+1})_{n \in \mathbb{Z}},$$

such that

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^0 \left(\prod_{\nu=n+1}^0 w_\nu \right) e_n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\prod_{\nu=1}^n w_\nu \right)^{-1} e_n$$

converges unconditionally in X . Then there exists a T -invariant strongly mixing Borel probability measure on X with full support.

Definition

A one-parameter family $(T_t)_{t \geq 0}$ of operators on a Banach space X is called a **C_0 -semigroup** if the following three conditions are satisfied:

- (i) $T_0 = I$,
- (ii) $T_t T_s = T_{t+s}$ for all $t, s \geq 0$
- (iii) $\lim_{s \rightarrow t} T_s x = T_t x$ for all $x \in X$ and $t \geq 0$

Mangino and Peris gave a continuous version of the Frequently Hypercyclicity Criterion. Under the same hypothesis we derive a stronger result, the existence of a strongly mixing measure with full support.

Theorem

Let $(T_t)_t$ be a C_0 -semigroup on a **separable Banach space** X . If there exists $X_0 \subset X$ dense in X and maps $S_t : X_0 \rightarrow X_0$, $t > 0$, such that :

- (i) $T_t S_t x = x$, $T_t S_r x = S_{r-t} x$, $t > 0$, $r > t > 0$,
- (ii) $t \rightarrow T_t x$ is Pettis integrable in $[0, \infty)$ for all $x \in X_0$,
- (iii) $t \rightarrow S_t x$ is Pettis integrable in $[0, \infty)$ for all $x \in X_0$.

then there is a $(T_t)_t$ -invariant strongly mixing Borel probability measure μ on X with full support.

Example

Let us consider the death model with variable coefficients

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial t} = -\alpha_n f_n + \beta_n f_{n+1}, & n \geq 1, \\ f_n(0) = a_n, & n \geq 1 \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

with $(\alpha_n)_n, (\beta_n)_n$ bounded positive sequences and $(a_n)_n \in \ell^1$ is a real sequence. Let $X = \ell^1$, and

$$Af = (-\alpha_n f_n + \beta_n f_{n+1})_n \text{ for } f = (f_n)_n \in X,$$

It generates a C_0 -semigroup $(T_t)_{t \geq 0}$ which is solution of (1). If $\sup_{n \geq 1} \alpha_n < \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta_n$ the semigroup $(T_t)_{t \geq 0}$ admits an invariant mixing measure with full support on X .

Recently Bayart and Ruzsa (2013), characterized frequently hypercyclic weighted shifts on $\ell_p(\mathbb{Z})$ and $c_0(\mathbb{Z})$.

Definition

Let $L_p^\rho(\mathbb{R}) = \{f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} ; f \text{ is measurable and } \|f\|_p < \infty\}$, where $\|f\|_p = (\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(t)|^p \rho(t) dt)^{\frac{1}{p}}$ and $C_0^\rho(\mathbb{R}) = \{f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} ; f \text{ is continuous and } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)\rho(x) = 0\}$, with $\|f\|_\infty = \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} f(t)\rho(t)$.

If X is any of the spaces above, the **translation semigroup** $(T_t)_{t \geq 0}$ defined by $T_t f(x) = f(x + t)$ is a well defined C_0 -semigroup.

Proposition

Let $(T_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be a mixing (equivalently chaotic) translation C_0 -semigroup on $C_0^\rho(\mathbb{R})$. Then $(T_t)_{t \geq 0}$ is frequently hypercyclic.

The converse of the previous proposition does not hold.

Theorem

Let $(T_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be the translation semigroup defined on $L_p^\rho(\mathbb{R})$. The following assertions are equivalent:

- (1) $(T_t)_{t \geq 0}$ is frequently hypercyclic.
- (2) $\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \rho(k) < \infty$.
- (3) $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \rho(t) dt < \infty$.
- (4) $(T_t)_{t \geq 0}$ is chaotic.
- (5) $(T_t)_{t \geq 0}$ satisfies the Frequently Hypercyclicity Criterion.

Proposition

Let $(K_n)_n$ be an increasing sequence of T -invariant sets, and $Y = \overline{\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} K_n}$. We have:

- (i) If $T|_{K_n}$ is transitive for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ then $T : Y \rightarrow Y$ is transitive.
- (ii) If $T|_{K_n}$ is mixing for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ then $T : Y \rightarrow Y$ is mixing.
- (iii) If $T|_{K_n}$ is weakly-mixing for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ then $T : Y \rightarrow Y$ is weakly-mixing.
- (iv) If $T|_{K_n}$ is chaotic for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ then $T : Y \rightarrow Y$ is chaotic.

Corollary

Let K be an absolutely convex T -invariant set such that $T|_K$ is transitive (respectively weakly-mixing, mixing, chaotic, topologically ergodic), then $T|_{\overline{\text{span}(K)}}$ is transitive (respectively ...). In particular, if $\overline{\text{span}(K)} = X$, then the property is inherited by T on X .

Theorem

Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be an operator and $(K_n)_n$ an increasing sequence of T -invariant compact sets such that $T|_{K_n}$ is transitive and $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} K_n = X$. Then T is weakly mixing.

Theorem

Let X be a Banach space and let the system $(X, (T_n)_n)$, where $\{T_n : X \rightarrow X ; n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a sequence of operators such that $T_n(Y) \subset Y$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and for certain $Y \subset X$ with $0 \in Y$. We consider $Z := \text{span}(Y)$.

- (1) If $(Y, (T_n|_Y)_n)$ is weakly mixing of all orders then $(Z, (T_n|_Z)_n)$ is also weakly mixing of all orders.
- (2) If $(Y, (T_n|_Y)_n)$ is mixing then $(Z, (T_n|_Z)_n)$ is also mixing.

Example

Logistic map: Let $p : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ be the logistic polynomial $p(x) := 4x(1 - x)$, which is chaotic and mixing. We will embed $[0, 1]$ in a locally convex space X via a map ϕ , and we define $T : X \rightarrow X$ such that $T \circ \phi = \phi \circ p$ and $\overline{\text{span}(\phi[0, 1])} = X$. Let

$$X = \{(x_i)_i \in \mathbb{C}^{\mathbb{N}} ; \exists r > 0 \text{ such that } \sup_i |x_i| r^i < \infty\}.$$

X has its natural inductive topology.

We define $\phi : I \rightarrow X$ as $\phi(x) = (x, x^2, x^3, \dots)$, and

$$T(x_1, x_2, \dots)_k = 4^k \sum_{j=0}^k (-1)^j \binom{k}{j} x_{j+k}, \quad k \in \mathbb{N}.$$

$T \circ \phi = \phi \circ p$. Let $Y := \phi[0, 1]$. $\text{span}(Y)$ is dense in X , hence T is mixing and chaotic.

Definition

A **lattice** is a non-empty set M with an order \leq such that every pair of elements $x, y \in M$ has both a supremum and an infimum. An **ordered vector space** is a real vector space X which is also an ordered space such that:

- If $x, y, z \in X$ and $x \leq y$ then $x + z \leq y + z$
- If $x, y \in X$, $x \leq y$ and $0 \leq \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, then $\alpha x \leq \alpha y$

The set $X^+ = \{x \in X ; x \geq 0\}$ is termed the **positive cone** in X . An ordered vector space which is also a lattice is a **vector lattice**. If X and Y are vector lattices then an operator $T : X \rightarrow Y$ is **positive** if $x \geq 0$ implies $Tx \geq 0$.

A **Banach(Fréchet) lattice** is a Banach(Fréchet) space which is also a vector lattice in which $x \leq y$ implies $\|x\| \leq \|y\|$ ($\|x\|_n \leq \|y\|_n$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, where $(\|\cdot\|_n)_n$ is an increasing sequence of seminorms).

Theorem

Let $(T_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be a C_0 -semigroup of positive operators on a separable Banach lattice X . If there exist $X_0 \subset X^+$ dense in X and maps $S_t : X_0 \rightarrow X^+$, $t > 0$ such that

- $T_t S_t x = x$, $T_t S_r x = S_{r-t} x$, $t > 0, r > t > 0$,
- $t \rightarrow T_t x$ is Pettis integrable in $[0, \infty)$ for all $x \in X_0$,
- $t \rightarrow S_t x$ is Pettis integrable in $[0, \infty)$ for all $x \in X_0$.

then $(T_t|_{X^+})_{t \geq 0}$ is mixing, each operator $T_t|_{X^+}$ with $t > 0$ is chaotic, and there is a $(T_t)_t$ -invariant strongly mixing Borel probability measure μ on X^+ whose support is X^+ .

Example

Let $X = \{f \in C([0, 1], \mathbb{R}) : f(0) = 0\}$ with the sup norm. We consider the following initial value problem of a partial differential equation:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \gamma x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + h(x)u, \\ u(0, x) = f(x) \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

where $\gamma < 0$, $h \in C([0, 1], \mathbb{R})$ and $f \in X$. Then the solution semigroup $(T_t)_{t \geq 0}$,

$$T_t f(x) = e^{\int_0^t h(e^{\gamma(t-s)}x) ds} f(e^{\gamma t}x)$$

to the equation (2) is a strongly continuous semigroup on X . If $\min\{h(x) : x \in [0, 1]\}$ is positive, then there exists a $(T_t)_t$ -invariant strongly mixing Borel probability measure μ on X^+ whose support is X^+ .

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