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## A SOLUTION OF THE TRIGONOMETRIC MOMENT PROBLEM VIA TAGAMLITZKI'S "THEOREM OF THE CONES"

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*In memory of my teacher  
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In 1952 Y. Tagamlitzki gave an elegant proof of the classical Bochner's theorem on the positively definite functions [1]. Unfortunately, he never published his proof. In this paper we consider a related but simpler problem, the trigonometric moment problem, by using Tagamlitzki's approach.

**Definition 1.** A sequence  $\{c_\nu\}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}$  of complex numbers is a moment sequence, if there exists a nondecreasing function  $\alpha: [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  such that the equalities

$$(1) \quad c_\nu = \int_0^{2\pi} e^{i\nu t} d\alpha(t), \quad \nu = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots,$$

hold.

The following result is classical.

**Theorem 1.** (F. Riesz [2]). A sequence  $\{c_\nu\}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}$  is a moment sequence, if and only if for any trigonometric polynomial  $q(t) = \sum_{-n}^n a_\nu e^{i\nu t}$ , non-negative on the real axis, we have

$$(2) \quad \sum_{-n}^n c_\nu a_\nu \geq 0.$$

(The degree  $n$  of  $q$  is arbitrary).

We shall prove Theorem 1 via Tagamlitzki's "Theorem of the cones." Since this general result of Tagamlitzki published in Bulgarian is unpopular, we are giving a complete formulation. To this end, we begin with some definitions.

Let  $W$  be a linear space and  $F = \{F_\nu\}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}$  be a sequence of linear functionals. We say that  $F$  is a coordinate system in  $W$ , if the equalities  $F_\nu(f) = 0$ ,  $f \in W$ ,  $\nu = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$  imply  $f = 0$ .

**Definition 2.** A set  $K \subset W$  is said to be a cone, if it has the following properties:

1. If  $f \in K$  and  $\lambda$  is a nonnegative real number, then  $\lambda f \in K$ .
2. If  $f \in K$ ,  $g \in K$ , then  $f + g \in K$ .

**Definition 3.** Let  $K \subset W$  be a cone and  $P$  be a norm defined in  $K$ . An element  $f \in K$ ,  $f \neq 0$ , is  $P$ -irreducible, if the equalities

$$(3) \quad f = g + h, \quad P(f) = P(g) + P(h), \quad f \in K, \quad h \in K,$$

are possible only if  $g = \lambda f$ ,  $h = \mu f$ ,  $\lambda \geq 0$ ,  $\mu \geq 0$ ,  $\mu + \lambda = 1$ .

**Definition 4.** Let  $F$  be a coordinate system in the linear space  $W$  and  $K \subset W$  be a cone. Further, let  $P$  be a norm defined in  $K$ . The cone  $K$  PLISKA *Studia mathematica bulgarica*, Vol. 11, 1991, p. 35-39.

is  $(F, P)$  compact, if for any sequence  $\{x_n\}_0^\infty \subset S_K$ ,  $S_K \stackrel{\text{det}}{=} \{x, x \in K, P(x) \leq 1\}$  there exist an element  $a \in S_K$  and a subsequence  $\{x_{n_k}\} \subset \{x_n\}$  such that

$$(4) \quad \lim_{n_k \rightarrow \infty} F_\nu(x_{n_k}) = F_\nu(a)$$

holds for any  $F_\nu \in F$ .

It is proved in [3] that every  $(F, P)$  compact cone contains  $P$ -irreducible elements.

Now we may state Tagamlitzki's result we need.

**Theorem 2.** (Theorem of the cones [3]). Let  $W$  be a linear space with coordinate system  $F$ . Given the two cones  $L$  and  $K$ ,  $L \subset K \subset W$ , suppose the following conditions are satisfied:

1. The cone  $L$  is  $(F, Q)$  compact, whereas  $K$  is  $(F, P)$  compact. ( $Q$  and  $P$  are norms defined in  $L$  and  $K$  respectively).

2. All the  $P$ -irreducible elements of  $K$  belong to  $L$  and for any  $P$ -irreducible  $f \in K$  the inequality  $P(f) \geq Q(f)$  holds.

Then,  $L = K$  and we have  $P \geq Q$  in the whole  $K$ .

Remark. For our goal in this paper the earlier version of Theorem 2 published in [4] is quite sufficient.

In order to prove Theorem 1, we introduce the linear space  $W$  of all the complex sequences  $\{a_\nu\}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}$  and set  $F_\nu(a) = a_\nu$ ,  $\nu = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$  for any  $a = \{a_\nu\}_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \in W$ . It is clear that  $F = \{F_\nu\}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}$  is a coordinate system in  $W$ . Further, we define the cones  $L$  and  $K$  as follows.

**Definition 5.** A sequence  $\{c_\nu\}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}$  belongs to  $K$ , if and only if the Riesz condition (2) is satisfied. Finally  $L$  consists of all moment sequences

$$(5) \quad c_\nu = \int_0^{2\pi} e^{i\nu t} \alpha(t) dt, \quad \nu = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots,$$

where  $\alpha: [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  is nondecreasing,  $\alpha(0) = 0$  and  $\alpha(t) = \alpha(t-0)$  for  $0 < t \leq 2\pi$

It is well known and easily seen that under these conditions  $\alpha$  is uniquely determined by its moments  $\{c_\nu\}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}$ .

The following lemma is obvious.

**Lemma 1.** The inclusion  $L \subset K$  holds.

**Proof.** It  $q(t) = \sum_{-n}^n a_\nu e^{i\nu t}$  is non-negative on the real axis and  $\{c_\nu\}_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \subset L$ , we have

$$\sum_{-n}^n c_\nu a_\nu = \int_0^{2\pi} \sum_{-n}^n a_\nu e^{i\nu t} \alpha(t) dt = \int_0^{2\pi} q(t) \alpha(t) dt \geq 0$$

and (2) is established.

**Lemma 2.** Denote by  $P$  the linear functional  $a \rightarrow a_0$ , where  $a = \{a_\nu\}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}$ . Then  $P$  is a norm in  $K$ .

**Proof.** Let  $c = \{c_\nu\}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}$  be an element of  $K$ . Since the trigonometric polynomials  $q_1(t) = 1$  and  $q_2(t) = 2 + \xi e^{int} + \bar{\xi} e^{-int}$ ,  $|\xi| = 1$  are non-negative on the real axis, taking into account (2) we get  $c_0 \geq 0$  and  $2c_0 + \bar{\xi} c_n + \xi c_{-n} \geq 0$ . In turn, the second inequality implies that the number  $D = \xi c_n + \bar{\xi} c_{-n}$  is real. Setting  $\xi = x + iy$ ,  $c_n = p + iq$ ,  $c_{-n} = \delta + i\gamma$ , we find  $\text{Im} D = (q + \gamma)x + (p - \delta)y = 0$ , i. e.  $p = \delta$ ,  $q = -\gamma$ , since  $\xi = x + iy$  is an arbitrary point on the unite circle.

Thus, we have proved  $c_{-n} = \bar{c}_n$  and the relation  $2c_0 + \xi c_n + \bar{\xi} c_{-n} \geq 0$  takes the form  $c_0 + \operatorname{Re}(c_n \xi) \geq 0$ , i. e.  $-\operatorname{Re}(c_n \xi) \leq c_0$ . Now choosing  $\xi = -e^{i\varphi}$  with  $\varphi = -\arg c_n$ , we get  $|c_n| \leq c_0$ ,  $n=0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$ , i. e.  $|c_n| \leq P(c)$  so that  $P(c)=0$ ,  $c \in K$ , implies  $c=0$ . Since  $P$  is linear, it is a norm in  $K$ . Now, the inclusion  $L \subset K$  shows that  $P$  is a norm also in  $L$ .

The following lemma is crucial in the whole proof.

Lemma 3. *The  $P$ -irreducible elements in  $K$  have the form*

$$(6) \quad c = \{A \lambda^v\}_{-\infty}^{+\infty},$$

where  $A > 0$  and  $|\lambda| = 1$ .

Proof. Let  $c = \{c_v\}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}$  be an element of  $K$ . Inspired by Tagamlitzki's proof of the Bochner theorem, we set

$$(7) \quad c = \frac{1}{4} A(\xi) + \frac{1}{4} A(-\xi), \quad A(\xi) = \{A_v(\xi)\}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}, \quad |\xi| = 1,$$

where  $A_v(\xi) = 2c_v + \xi c_{v+1} + \bar{\xi} c_{v-1}^*$ ,  $v=0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$ . It is not difficult to verify that  $A(\xi) \in K$  for any complex  $\xi$  with  $|\xi| = 1$ . Indeed, let the trigonometric polynomial  $q(t) = \sum_{-n}^n a_v e^{ivt}$  be non-negative on the real axis. Then

$$(8) \quad \sum_{-n-1}^{n+1} b_v e^{ivt} = (2 + \xi e^{it} + \bar{\xi} e^{-it}) q(t)$$

has the same property. Thus, we have the inequality

$$(9) \quad \sum_{-n-1}^{n+1} b_v c_v \geq 0,$$

which after a substitution of the explicit expressions of  $\{b_v\}$  takes the form

$$(10) \quad \sum_{-n}^n a_v A_v(\xi) \geq 0$$

and shows that  $A(\xi) \in K$ . Since  $-\xi$  is also on the unit circle, we conclude that  $A(-\xi) \in K$ , so (7) is a decomposition in  $K$ . Finally,  $P$  is linear and we have  $P(c) = P(A(\xi)/4) + P(A(-\xi)/4)$ . Now, we are ready to complete the proof.

Indeed, if  $c \in K$  is  $P$ -irreducible, we obtain

$$(11) \quad 4\lambda(\xi)c = A(\xi), \text{ i. e. } 4\lambda(\xi)c_v = A_v(\xi), \quad v=0, \pm 1, \dots,$$

where  $0 \leq \lambda(\xi) \leq 1$ . First, we shall solve (11) under the supposition that  $c_0 = 1$ . In this case we have  $4\lambda(\xi) = 2 + \xi c_1 + \bar{\xi} c_{-1}$  and (11) takes the form

$$(12) \quad (2 + \xi c_1 + \bar{\xi} c_{-1}) c_v = 2c_v + \xi c_{v+1} + \bar{\xi} c_{v-1},$$

i. e.

$$(13) \quad (c_1 c_v - c_{v+1}) \xi + (c_{-1} c_v - c_{v-1}) \bar{\xi} = 0.$$

Since  $\xi$  is an arbitrary point on the unit circle, (13) implies

$$(14) \quad c_{v+1} = c_1 c_v, \quad c_{v-1} = c_{-1} c_v, \quad v = \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots,$$

\*  $\bar{\xi}$  is the conjugate number of  $\xi$ .

and by setting  $\lambda = c_1$ ,  $\mu = c_{-1}$  we easily get

$$(15) \quad c_v = \lambda^v, \quad c_{-v} = \mu^v, \quad v = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Further, taking into account that  $c_{-1}c_1 = c_0 = 1$  and according to lemma 2  $c_{-1} = \bar{c}_1$ , we get  $\lambda\mu = 1$ ,  $\bar{\lambda} = \mu$ , i. e.  $\mu = \frac{1}{\lambda}$ ,  $|\lambda| = 1$ . Now, (15) takes the form

$$(16) \quad c_v = \lambda^v, \quad v = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

Finally, if  $c \in K$  is an arbitrary  $P$ -irreducible element of  $K$ , we have  $c \neq 0$ , i. e.  $P(c) = c_0 \neq 0$ , and by applying (16) to  $\frac{c}{c_0}$ , we obtain

$$(17) \quad c = \{c_0 \lambda^v\}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}, \quad |\lambda| = 1, \quad c_0 > 0$$

and thus complete the proof.

*Corollary.* All the  $P$ -irreducible elements of  $K$  belong to  $L$ .

*Proof.* Let  $c = \{A\lambda^v\}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}$ ,  $A > 0$  be  $P$ -irreducible. Since  $|\lambda| = 1$ , there is a  $t_0$ ,  $0 \leq t_0 < 2\pi$  such that  $\lambda = e^{it_0}$ , so  $c = \{Ae^{ivt_0}\}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}$ . Now define the function

$$a(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq t \leq t_0, \\ A, & t_0 < t \leq 2\pi, \end{cases}$$

which is increasing because  $A > 0$ . Since the equalities

$$c_v = \int_0^{2\pi} e^{ivt} da(t)$$

are obvious, the corollary is proved.

*Lemma 4.* The cones  $K$  and  $L$  are  $(F, P)$  compact.

*Proof.* First, let  $\{c(m)\}_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \subset K$ ,  $P(c(m)) \leq 1$  be a sequence of elements of  $K$ . Since we have  $|c_v(m)| \leq P(c(m)) \leq 1$ ,  $v = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$ , we may apply the Cantor diagonal process and select a subsequence  $\{m_k\}$ , such that  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} c_v(m_k)$ ,  $v = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$ , exist. Setting  $c_v = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} c_v(m_k)$ , we get a sequence  $c = \{c_v\}_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \subset K$  with  $P(c) \leq 1$  and such that  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} F_v(c(m_k)) = F_v(c)$  for any  $F_v \in F$ .

Thus, the  $(F, P)$  compactness of  $K$  is proved.

Now let  $\{c(m)\}_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \subset L$ ,  $P(c(m)) \leq 1$  be an arbitrary sequence. In this case we have

$$P(c(m)) = c_0(m) = \int_0^{2\pi} d\alpha_m(t) = \alpha_m(2\pi) - \alpha_m(0) = \alpha_m(2\pi) \leq 1$$

and by applying a well-known theorem of Helly [5], we select a subsequence  $\{m_k\}$  such that  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_{m_k}(t)$  exists for every  $t \in [0, 2\pi]$ . Setting

$$\alpha(t) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_{m_k}(t), \quad c_v = \int_0^{2\pi} e^{ivt} d\alpha(t), \quad v = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots,$$

by means of the second theorem of Helly [5], we get  $c_v = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} c_v(m_k)$ . Since  $c = \{c_v\}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}$  obviously belongs to  $L$  and satisfies the inequality  $P(c) \leq 1$ , the proof of Lemma 4 is completed.

It remains to summarize now. Since Lemma 1, the corollary of Lemma 3 and Lemma 4 permit us to apply Theorem 2 with  $Q = P$ , we conclude that  $L = K$  and complete the proof of Theorem 1.

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