

## THE EXPOSED POINTS OF THE SET OF INVARIANT MEANS

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**ABSTRACT.** Let  $G$  be a  $\sigma$ -compact infinite locally compact group, and let  $LIM$  be the set of left invariant means on  $L^\infty(G)$ . We prove in this paper that if  $G$  is amenable as a discrete group, then  $LIM$  has no exposed points. We also give another proof of the Granirer theorem that the set  $LIM(X, G)$  of  $G$ -invariant means on  $L^\infty(X, \beta, p)$  has no exposed points, where  $G$  is an amenable countable group acting ergodically as measure-preserving transformations on a nonatomic probability space  $(X, \beta, p)$ .

### 1. INTRODUCTION AND NOTATIONS

Let  $G$  be a locally compact group with a fixed left Haar measure  $\lambda$ . If  $G$  is compact, we assume  $\lambda(G) = 1$ . Let  $L^p(G)$  be the associated real Lebesgue spaces ( $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ ). For  $f \in L^\infty(G)$  and  $x \in G$ , the left translation of  $f$  by  $x$  is defined by  ${}_x f(y) = f(xy)$ ,  $y \in G$ . A mean on  $L^\infty(G)$  is a positive functional on  $L^\infty(G)$  with  $m(1) = 1$ . A left invariant mean is a mean with  $m({}_x f) = m(f)$  for any  $x \in G$  and  $f \in L^\infty(G)$ . The set of left invariant mean on  $L^\infty(G)$  is denoted by  $LIM$ .

If  $LIM \neq \phi$ , we say that  $G$  is amenable. Let  $G_d$  be the same algebraic group as  $G$  with a discrete topological structure. Then  $G$  is amenable if  $G_d$  is amenable. Properties of amenable groups and left invariant means can be found in Greenleaf [9], Paterson [10] and Pier [11].

When  $G$  is amenable,  $LIM$ , as a  $w^*$ -compact convex subset of  $L^\infty(G)^*$ , is the  $w^*$ -closed convex hull of all its extreme points. It is natural to ask how many exposed points  $LIM$  has. Granirer [4] studied intensively the existence of exposed points of  $LIM$  for a countable amenable semigroup (also see Chou [1]). In particular, he proved by using very general theorems that  $LIM$  has exposed points if and only if  $G$  has finite left ideals for a countable amenable semigroup  $G$  [4, Corollary 4.1]. Yang [15] proved that if  $G$  is a infinite amenable discrete group, then  $LIM$  has no exposed points.

In this paper, we prove that  $LIM$  has no exposed points for any  $\sigma$ -compact locally compact group which is amenable as a discrete group. The idea of the proof is to "split" a nonnegative function in  $L^\infty(G)$  by a category argument,

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the technique used by Rosenblatt [12]. We also adapt this technique to prove the Granirer theorem of [5] and [6] in a different way that the set  $LIM(X, G)$  of  $G$ -invariant means on  $L^\infty(X, \beta, p)$  has no exposed points, where  $G$  is an amenable countable group acting ergodically as measure-preserving transformations on a nonatomic probability space  $(X, \beta, p)$ . He derives it using very general theorems. See Chou [2] and Rosenblatt [13] for details of the study of the set  $LIM(X, G)$ .

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### 2. EXPOSED POINTS OF LIM

In this section we will be concerned with  $LIM$  for a locally compact group and will prove our first main result. We need the following, probably known, proposition for which we were unable to find a reference.

**Proposition 1.** *Let  $G$  be a nondiscrete locally compact group, and let  $K$  be a compact subset of  $G$ . If  $f \in L^\infty(G)$  and  $\lambda\{t \in G : f(t) \neq 0\}$  is finite, then the function defined by*

$$F(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \lambda \left\{ t \in G : \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i f(t) > a \right\}$$

is lower semicontinuous on  $K^n$ , where  $a$  is a constant.

*Proof.* First let us prove that  $\int_G |x f - f| dt \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow e$ . If  $f = 1_E$ , then  $\int_G |x f - f| dt = \lambda(x^{-1} E \Delta E) \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow e$  since the map  $x \rightarrow \lambda(x^{-1} E \cap E)$  is continuous from  $K$  to  $R$ . For any  $f$  with  $\lambda\{t \in G : f(t) \neq 0\}$  finite and an  $\epsilon > 0$ , choose a simple function  $\varphi = \sum_{p=1}^q a_p 1_{E_p}$  such that  $\|f - \varphi\|_1 < \epsilon$ . There exists an open neighborhood  $U$  of  $e$  such that  $\sum_{p=1}^q |a_p| \int_G |x 1_{E_p} - 1_{E_p}| dt < \epsilon$  for any  $x \in U$ . Hence, for every  $x \in U$ ,

$$\int_G |x f - f| dt \leq \int_G |x f - x \varphi| dt + \int_G |x \varphi - \varphi| dt + \int_G |\varphi - f| dt \leq 3\epsilon.$$

Let  $u^\alpha = (u_1^\alpha, u_2^\alpha, \dots, u_n^\alpha)$  be a net and  $u = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) \in K^n$  with  $u^\alpha \rightarrow u$  in  $K^n$ . If there is an  $\epsilon_0 > 0$  such that  $F(u^\alpha) < F(u) - \epsilon_0$ , then we can find a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $F(u^\alpha) < \lambda\{t \in G : \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n u_i f(t) > a + \delta\} - \epsilon_0$  for every  $\alpha$ . Thus

$$\int_G \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n u_i^\alpha f - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n u_i f \right| dt \leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \int_G |u_i^\alpha f - u_i f| dt \rightarrow 0$$

when  $u^\alpha \rightarrow u$  in  $K^n$ . On the other hand,

$$\int_G \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n u_i^\alpha f - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n u_i f \right| dt \geq \int_{B_\alpha} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n u_i^\alpha f - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n u_i f \right| dt \geq \delta \lambda(B_\alpha) \geq \delta \epsilon_0,$$

where

$$B_\alpha = \left\{ t \in G : \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n u_i f(t) > a + \delta \right\} \sim \left\{ t \in G : \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n u_i^\alpha f(t) > a \right\}$$

with  $\lambda(B_\alpha) \geq \lambda\{t \in G : \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n u_i f(t) > a + \delta\} - F(u^\alpha) > \epsilon_0$ . This is a contradiction. Therefore the function  $F$  from  $K^n$  to  $R$  is lower semicontinuous.  $\square$

To prove our result, we will need the following two lemmas.

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $G$  be a locally compact group and let  $f \in L^\infty(G)$  be a function with  $0 \leq f \leq 1$  and  $\lambda\{x \in G : f(x) \neq 0\} < \infty$ . If  $f_k$  is a sequence of functions in  $L^\infty(G)$  with  $0 \leq f_k \leq f$  ( $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ),  $f_k \rightarrow f_0$  in  $\|\cdot\|_1$ -norm, then  $\inf_{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in K^n} F_{f_k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = 0$  for any  $k \geq 1$  implies  $\inf_{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in K^n} F_{f_0}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = 0$ , where  $K$  is a compact subset of  $G$  and  $F_h(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \lambda\{t \in G : \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i h(t) > a\}$  for any  $h \in L^\infty(G)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\inf_{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in K^n} F_{f_0}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \epsilon_0 > 0$ . Then for any  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in K^n$ , there is an  $i_x \in N$  such that  $\lambda\{t \in G : \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i f_0(t) > a + \frac{1}{i_x}\} > \frac{\epsilon_0}{2}$ . Since the map  $(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) \rightarrow \lambda\{t \in G : \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i f_0(t) > a + \frac{1}{i_x}\}$  from  $K^n$  to  $R$  is lower semicontinuous by Proposition 1, there exists an open neighborhood  $U_x$  of  $x$  in  $K^n$  such that  $\lambda\{t \in G : \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i f_0(t) > a + \frac{1}{i_x}\} > \frac{\epsilon_0}{2}$  for any  $y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) \in U_x$ . Let  $U_{x^{(1)}}, U_{x^{(2)}}, \dots, U_{x^{(p)}}$  be a cover of  $K^n$ . Then for any  $y \in K^n$ ,  $\lambda\{t \in G : \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i f_0(t) > a + \frac{1}{i_0}\} > \frac{\epsilon_0}{2}$ , where  $i_0 = \max\{i_{x^{(1)}}, i_{x^{(2)}}, \dots, i_{x^{(p)}}\}$ .

By the hypothesis and the fact that  $K^n$  is compact, for each  $k \in N$ , we can choose an  $x^k = (x_1^k, x_2^k, \dots, x_n^k) \in K^n$  such that  $\lambda\{t \in G : \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^k f_k(t) > a\} = 0$ . Then

$$\int_G \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^k f_0(t) - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^k f_k(t) \right| dt \leq \|f_0 - f_k\|_1.$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_G \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^k f_0(t) - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^k f_k(t) \right| dt \\ &= \int_{\{t \in G : \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^k f_k(t) \leq a\}} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^k f_0(t) - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^k f_k(t) \right| dt \\ &\geq \frac{1}{i_0} \lambda \left\{ t \in G : \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^k f_0(t) > a + \frac{1}{i_0} \right\} \\ &\geq \frac{1}{i_0} \frac{\epsilon_0}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

This contradicts to that  $\|f_k - f_0\|_1 \rightarrow 0$ .  $\square$

The following lemma is a consequence of Lemma 6A and Lemma 6C of Talagrand [14].

**Lemma 3.** *Let  $G$  be a  $\sigma$ -compact nondiscrete locally compact group. If  $G$  is amenable as a discrete group and  $f \in L^\infty(G)$ , then for any  $\epsilon > 0$  there is an open subset  $\Omega$  of  $G$  and an  $m_0 \in LIM$  such that  $\lambda(\Omega) < \epsilon$ ,  $m_0(1_\Omega) = 1$ , and  $m_0(f) = \text{Sup}\{m(f) : m \in LIM\}$ .*

*Proof.* It follows from step 1 of the proof of Theorem 6D in [14] that for any positive integer  $n$ , there exists an open set  $\Omega_n$  and an  $m_n \in LIM$  such that

$\lambda(\Omega_n) < \frac{\epsilon}{2^n}$ ,  $m_n(1_{\Omega_n}) = 1$ , and  $m_n(f) \geq \text{Sup}\{m(f) : m \in LIM\} - \frac{1}{n}$  (in fact, the condition of that  $\nu$  is a topologically left invariant is not used and  $\lambda(\Omega)$  can be made as small as we want in the proof of step 1).

Let  $m_0$  be a  $w^*$ -limit point of  $\{m_n\}$  and  $\Omega = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \Omega_n$ . Then  $\lambda(\Omega) < \epsilon$ ,  $m_0 \in LIM$  with  $m_0(1_{\Omega}) = 1$ , and  $m_0(f) = \text{Sup}\{m(f) : m \in LIM\}$ .  $\square$

Now we are ready to prove our first main result concerning the exposed points of  $LIM$  for a locally compact group.

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $G$  be a  $\sigma$ -compact infinite locally compact group. If  $G$  is amenable as a discrete group, then  $LIM$  has no exposed points.*

*Proof.* When  $G$  is discrete, it is proved by Yang [15] that  $LIM$  has no exposed points. Assume that  $G$  is nondiscrete. Since  $G$  is  $\sigma$ -compact, there is a sequence of subsets  $\{K_n : n \in N\}$  such that  $G = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} K_n$ , where  $K_n$  is compact and  $K_n \subseteq K_{n+1}$  ( $n = 1, 2, \dots$ ). Assume that  $m_0 \in LIM$  is an exposed point of  $LIM$ . Then there is an  $f_0 \in L^\infty(G)$  such that

$$(*) \quad m_0(f_0) > m(f_0) \quad \text{for any } m \in LIM \text{ and } m \neq m_0.$$

We are going to show that we can choose  $f_0$  as above such that  $0 \leq f_0 \leq 1$  and  $f_0 \in L^1(G)$ . Let  $f_1 = \frac{f_0 + \|f_0\|_\infty}{\|f_0 + \|f_0\|_\infty\|_\infty}$ . Then  $f_1$  also satisfies (\*) since  $f_1 \geq 0$  and  $m(1) = 1$  for all  $m \in LIM$ . Thus,  $m_0(f_1) > 0$  by the fact that  $LIM \neq \{m_0\}$  (see [7]). By Lemma 3, there exists an open subset  $\Omega$  of  $G$  and an  $m_1 \in LIM$  such that  $\lambda(\Omega) < 1$ ,  $m_1(1_\Omega) = 1$ , and  $m_1(f_1) = \text{Sup}\{m(f_1) : m \in LIM\}$ . Hence  $m_1(f_1) = m_0(f_1)$  and  $m_1 = m_0$  by (\*). Let  $g = f_1 1_\Omega$ . Then  $g$  satisfies (\*). In fact, for any  $m \in LIM \sim \{m_0\}$ ,  $m(g) = m(f_1 1_\Omega) \leq m(f_1) < m_0(f_1) = m_0(g)$  since  $m_0(f_1 1_{G \sim \Omega}) = m_1(f_1 1_{G \sim \Omega}) = 0$ . Note that  $g \geq 0$  and  $g \in L^\infty(G) \cap L^1(G)$ . Let  $X = \{f \in L^\infty(G) : 0 \leq f \leq g\}$  and  $a = m_0(g)$ . Then  $(X, \|\cdot\|_1)$  is a complete metric space and  $a > 0$ .

Let  $n \in N$  and  $n > 0$  be fixed. For any  $p, q \in N$ , put

$$X_{p,q} = \left\{ f \in X : \exists x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p \in K_q \right. \\ \left. \text{with } \lambda \left\{ t \in G : \frac{1}{p} \sum_{i=1}^p x_i f(t) > a - \frac{1}{n} \right\} = 0 \right\}.$$

At first, each  $X_{p,q}$  is closed. In fact, let  $f_k \in X_{p,q}$  and  $f_k \rightarrow f$  in  $(X, \|\cdot\|_1)$ . By Lemma 2,

$$\inf_{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) \in K_q^p} \lambda \left\{ t \in G : \frac{1}{p} \sum_{i=1}^p x_i f(t) > a - \frac{1}{n} \right\} = 0.$$

By Lemma 1, the map  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) \rightarrow \lambda\{t \in G : \frac{1}{p} \sum_{i=1}^p x_i f(t) > a - \frac{1}{n}\}$  from  $K_q^p$  to  $R$  is lower semicontinuous. Since  $K_q^p$  is compact, there exists  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) \in K_q^p$  such that  $\lambda\{t \in G : \frac{1}{p} \sum_{i=1}^p x_i f(t) > a - \frac{1}{n}\} = 0$ . Therefore  $f \in X_{p,q}$ .

Also,  $X_{p,q}$  is nowhere dense. In fact, for any  $f \in X$  and any  $\epsilon > 0$ , by Lemma 3 there is an open subset  $\Omega_1$  of  $G$  and an  $m_1 \in LIM$  such that  $\lambda(\Omega_1) < \epsilon$ ,  $m_1(1_{\Omega_1}) = 1$ , and  $m_1(g) = \text{Sup}\{m(g) : m \in LIM\}$ . Since

$g$  satisfies  $(*)$ ,  $m_1 = m_0$ . Let  $f^* = g1_{\Omega_1} + f1_{G \sim \Omega_1}$ . Then  $f^* \in X$  and  $\|f^* - f\|_1 = \|g1_{\Omega_1} - f1_{\Omega_1}\|_1 < 2\epsilon$ . Since  $m_0(f^*) = m_0(g1_{\Omega_1}) = m_0(g) = a > a - \frac{1}{n}$ ,  $\lambda\{t \in G : \frac{1}{p} \sum_{i=1}^p x_i f^*(t) > a - \frac{1}{n}\} \neq 0$  for any  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) \in K_q^p$ . Hence  $f^* \notin X_{p,q}$ .

For any  $p, q \in N$ , let  $X_{p,q}^c = \{f \in X : g - f \in X_{p,q}\}$ . Then  $X_{p,q}$  and  $X_{p,q}^c$  are isometric in  $(X, \|\cdot\|_1)$ . So  $X_{p,q}^c$  is also nowhere dense in  $(X, \|\cdot\|_1)$ . Hence there exists an  $f \in X \sim \bigcup_{p,q} (X_{p,q} \cup X_{p,q}^c)$  by the completeness of  $X$ .

For any  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p \in G$ , there is  $q \in N$  such that  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p \in K_q$ . Thus,  $\lambda\{t \in G : \frac{1}{p} \sum_{i=1}^p x_i f(t) > a - \frac{1}{n}\} \neq 0$  since  $f \notin X_{p,q}$ . There exists  $m_n \in LIM$  such that  $m_n(f) > a - \frac{1}{n}$  by Proposition 3 of [7]. Similarly, since for any  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p \in G$ ,  $\lambda\{t \in G : \frac{1}{p} \sum_{i=1}^p x_i (g - f)(t) > a - \frac{1}{n}\} \neq 0$ , there exists  $M_n \in LIM$  such that  $M_n(g - f) > a - \frac{1}{n}$ . Let  $m$  and  $M$  be  $w^*$  limit points of  $m_n$  and  $M_n$ , respectively. Then  $m, M \in LIM$  and  $m(f) \geq a$  and  $M(g - f) \geq a$ . Since  $0 \leq f \leq g$  and  $0 \leq g - f \leq g$ ,  $m(g) \geq a$  and  $M(g) \geq a$ . Hence  $m = M = m_0$  by  $(*)$  and since  $a = m_0(g) = \text{Sup}\{m(g) : m \in LIM\}$ . Therefore  $M(g - f) = 0$ . This contradicts  $a > 0$ .  $\square$

### 3. EXPOSED POINTS OF $LIM(X, G)$

In this section we are going to prove an analogue of Theorem 1 for groups acting ergodically as measure-preserving transformations on a nonatomic probability space  $(X, \beta, p)$ .

Let  $(X, \beta, p)$  be a nonatomic probability space,  $G$  a group, and  $(s, x) \rightarrow sx$  a measure-preserving ergodic action of  $G$  on  $(X, \beta, p)$ . Then  $G$  also acts on  $L^\infty(X, \beta, p)$ :  $(sf)(x) = f(sx)$ ,  $f \in L^\infty(X, \beta, p)$ ,  $s \in G$ , and  $x \in X$ . A positive linear functional of norm 1 on  $L^\infty(X, \beta, p)$  is said to be  $G$ -invariant mean if  $m(sf) = m(f)$  for  $s \in G$  and  $f \in L^\infty(X, \beta, p)$ . The set of  $G$ -invariant means is denoted by  $LIM(X, G)$ .

It is natural to ask how big the set  $LIM(X, G)$  is. When  $G$  is a countable amenable semigroup, del Junco and Rosenblatt [3] proved  $LIM(X, S)$  contains more than one element. Chou [2] showed that the cardinality of  $LIM(X, G)$  is at least  $2^c$  for any countable amenable group, where  $c$  is the cardinality of the continuum. Our Theorem 2 shows that  $LIM(X, G)$  does not have exposed points in the case that  $G$  is an amenable countable group acting ergodically as measure-preserving transformations on a nonatomic probability space. This theorem was proved by Granirer in Theorem 3 in [5] and Theorem 2.6 in [6] without the assumptions of the ergodic acting and the measure-preserving transformations. Here we will give a different and direct proof.

**Lemma 4.** *Let  $G$  be a group acting ergodically as measure-preserving transformations on a nonatomic probability space  $(X, \beta, p)$ . If  $m \in LIM(X, G)$  and  $f \in L^\infty(X)$  with  $0 \leq f \leq 1$ , then for any  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in G$ ,  $\epsilon > 0$ , and  $\delta > 0$  there exists a subset  $V$  of  $X$  such that  $p(V) < \epsilon$  and*

$$p \left\{ t \in X : \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i (f1_V)(t) > m(f) - \delta \right\} \neq 0.$$

*Proof.* Let  $a = m(f)$ . Since  $m(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i f) = a$ ,  $p\{t \in X : \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i f(t) > a - \delta\} > 0$ . Hence there is a subset  $J \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  and  $a_i$  for each  $i \in J$

such that  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i \in J} a_i > a - \delta$  and  $p(\bigcap_{i \in J} \{t \in X : x_i f(t) > a_i\}) > 0$ . Let  $E_{a_i} = \{t \in X : f(t) > a_i\}$ . Then  $\{t \in X : x_i f(t) > a_i\} = \{t \in X : x_i t \in E_{a_i}\}$ , which is denoted by  $x_i^{-1} E_{a_i}$ . Hence  $p(\bigcap_{i \in J} x_i^{-1} E_{a_i}) > 0$ . Since  $X$  is nonatomic, there exists  $A \subseteq \bigcap_{i \in J} x_i^{-1} E_{a_i}$  such that  $0 < p(A) < \frac{1}{n} \epsilon$ . Let  $V = \bigcup_{i \in J} x_i A$ . Then  $0 < p(V) < \epsilon$ . If  $t \in A$ , then  $x_i t \in V \cap E_{a_i}$  for each  $i \in J$ . Hence  $x_i(f1_V)(t) = 1_V(x_i t)f(x_i t) > a_i$ , i.e.  $A \subseteq \bigcap_{i \in J} \{t \in X : x_i(f1_V)(t) > a_i\}$  and

$$\begin{aligned} & 0 < p(A) \\ & \leq p \left\{ t \in X : \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i \in J} x_i(f1_V)(t) > a - \delta \right\} \\ & \leq p \left\{ t \in X : \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i(f1_V)(t) > a - \delta \right\}. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

The following lemma is due to Granirer. See [7, Proposition 3] and [8, Proposition 5] for its proof.

**Lemma 5.** *Let  $G$  be a group acting ergodically as measure-preserving transformations on a nonatomic probability space  $(X, \beta, p)$ . If  $m \in LIM(X, G)$  and  $f \in L^\infty(X)$ , then*

$$\sup\{m(f) : m \in LIM(X, G)\} = \inf_{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in G} \operatorname{ess\,sup}_t \left[ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i f(t) \right].$$

**Theorem 2** (Granirer). *If  $G$  is a amenable countable group acting ergodically as measure-preserving transformations on a nonatomic probability space  $(X, \beta, p)$ , then the set  $LIM(X, G)$  of  $G$ -invariant means on  $L^\infty(X, \beta, p)$  has no exposed points.*

*Proof.* Let  $G = \bigcup_{n=1}^\infty K_n$ , where each  $K_n$  is a finite subset of  $G$  and  $K_n \subseteq K_{n+1}$  ( $n = 1, 2, \dots$ ). Let  $m_0 \in LIM(X, G)$  be an exposed point of  $LIM(X, G)$ . Then there is an  $f_0 \in L^\infty(X)$  such that

$$(*) \quad m_0(f_0) > m(f_0) \quad \text{for any } m \in LIM(X, G) \text{ and } m \neq m_0.$$

Let  $g = \frac{f_0 + \|f_0\|_\infty}{\|f_0 + \|f_0\|_\infty\|_\infty}$ . Then  $g$  also satisfies  $(*)$  since  $m(1) = 1$  for any  $m \in LIM(X, G)$ . Note that  $g \in L^\infty(X) \cap L^1(X)$  and  $g \geq 0$ . Thus  $m(g) \geq 0$  for any  $m \in LIM(X, G)$ . By  $(*)$  and the fact that  $M(X, G)$  contains more than one element (see del Junco and Rosenblatt [3]),  $m_0(g) > 0$ . Let  $a = m_0(g)$  and  $Y = \{f \in L^\infty(X) : 0 \leq f \leq g\}$ . Then  $(Y, \|\cdot\|_1)$  is a complete metric space and  $a > 0$ . For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\delta > 0$ , set

$$X_n = \left\{ f \in Y : \exists x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k \in K_n \text{ with } p \left\{ t \in X : \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k x_i f(t) > a - \delta \right\} = 0 \right\}.$$

At first, each  $Y_n$  is closed. In fact, let  $f_k \in Y_n$  and  $f_k \rightarrow f$  in  $(Y, \|\cdot\|_1)$ . We can assume that  $f_k \rightarrow f$  a.e. [p]. So for any  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_r \in K_n$

$$\frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^r x_i f_k(t) \rightarrow \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^r x_i f(t) \quad \text{a.e. [p] as } k \rightarrow \infty.$$

Also, for each  $k$ , there are  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_r \in K_n$  such that

$$p \left\{ t \in X : \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^r x_i f_k(t) > a - \delta \right\} = 0.$$

Since  $K_n$  is finite, there are  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_r \in K_n$  such that

$$p \left\{ t \in X : \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^r x_i f(t) > a - \delta \right\} = 0.$$

Thus,  $f \in Y_n$ . Therefore  $Y_n$  is closed.

Also, for any  $f \in Y$  and any  $\epsilon > 0$ , for any  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_r \in K_n$ , by Lemma 4, there is a subset  $V$  of  $X$  such that  $p(V) < \epsilon$  and

$$p \left\{ t \in X : \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^r x_i (g1_V)(t) > a - \delta \right\} > 0.$$

Let  $f^* = g1_V + f1_{X \setminus V}$ . Then  $f^* \in Y$  and  $\|f^* - f\|_1 = \|g1_V - f1_V\|_1 < 2\epsilon$ . Since  $f1_{X \setminus V} \geq 0$ ,

$$0 < p \left\{ t \in X : \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^r x_i (g1_V)(t) > a - \delta \right\} \leq p \left\{ t \in X : \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^r x_i f^*(t) > a - \delta \right\}.$$

Hence  $f^* \notin Y_n$  and  $Y_n$  is nowhere dense.

For any  $n \in N$ , let  $Y_n^c = \{f \in Y : g - f \in Y_n\}$ . Then  $Y_n$  and  $Y_n^c$  are isometric in  $(Y, \|\cdot\|_1)$ . So  $Y_n^c$  is also nowhere dense in  $(Y, \|\cdot\|_1)$ . Hence there exists an  $f \in Y \sim \bigcup_n (Y_n \cup Y_n^c)$  by the completeness of  $Y$ .

For any  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in G$ , since  $p\{t \in X : \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i f(t) > a - \delta\} > 0$ , by Lemma 5 there exist  $m_\delta \in LIM(X, G)$ , such that  $m_\delta(f) > a - \delta$ . Let  $m$  be the  $w^*$  limit point of  $\{m_\delta\}$ . Then  $m \in LIM(X, G)$  and  $m(f) \geq a$ . Similarly, since for any  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in G$ ,  $p\{t \in X : \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i (g - f)(t) > a - \delta\} > 0$ , there exists  $M \in LIM(X, G)$  such that  $M(g - f) \geq a$ . Since  $0 \leq f \leq g$ ,  $m(g) \geq a$  and  $M(g) \geq a$ . By (\*),  $m = M = m_0$ . So  $M(g - f) = 0$ . This contradicts  $a > 0$ .  $\square$

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