

# ON NIKODYM'S UNIFORM BOUNDEDNESS PRINCIPLE

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An infinite Boolean algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  is said to have *the Nikodym property* provided that every sequence of measures  $\langle \mu_n : n \in \omega \rangle$  on  $\mathcal{A}$  which is pointwise bounded (ie.  $\sup_n |\mu_n a| < \infty$  for every  $a \in \mathcal{A}$ ) is uniformly bounded (ie.  $\sup_n \|\mu_n\| < \infty$ ). It is known that such an algebra cannot have cardinality less than  $\max(\mathfrak{b}, \mathfrak{s})$  where  $\mathfrak{b}$  and  $\mathfrak{s}$  are respectively the bounding number and the splitting number. However, all the known so far examples of algebras with the Nikodym property have cardinality not less than the continuum  $\mathfrak{c}$ . Assuming that the cofinality of the Lebesgue null ideal is  $\omega_1$ , I will provide a brief sketch of an argument leading to the construction of a Boolean algebra with the Nikodym property and cardinality  $\omega_1$ . This gives a new example of an algebra with cofinality  $\omega_1$  as well as contributes a new consistent counterexample to the Efimov problem.

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