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#### Abstract

In this paper, following the $p$-adic integration theory worked out by A. F. Monna and T. A. Springer [4, 5] and generalized by A. C. M. van Rooij and W. H. Schikhof $[6,7]$ for the spaces which are not $\sigma$-compacts, we study the class of integrable $p$-adic functions with respect to Bernoulli measures of rank 1. Among these measures, we characterize those which are invertible and we give their inverse in the form of series.


## 1. Preliminaries.

In what follows, we denote by $p$ a prime number, $\mathbb{Q}$ the field of rational numbers provided with the $p$-adic absolute value, $\mathbb{Q}_{p}$ the field of p-adic numbers that is the completion of $\mathbb{Q}$ for the p -adic absolute value and by $\mathbb{Z}_{p}$ the ring of $p$-adic integers. We denote by $v_{p}$ the normalized valuation of $\mathbb{Q}_{p}$.

Let $X$ be a totally discontinuous compact space and $\Omega(X)$ the Boolean algebra of closed and open subsets of $X$. If $U$ belongs to $\Omega(X)$, one denotes by $\chi_{U}$ the characteristic function of $U$ which is a continuous function. For $K$ a complete ultrametric valued field, $\mathcal{C}(X, K)$ is the Banach algebra of the continuous functions from $X$ into $K$ provided with the norm of uniform convergence, $\|f\|_{\infty}=\sup _{x \in X}|f(x)|$.
Definition 1.1. A measure on $X$ is an additive map $\mu: \Omega(X) \rightarrow K$ such that

$$
\|\mu\|=\sup _{V \in \Omega(X)}|\mu(V)|<+\infty
$$

One denotes by $M(X, K)$ the space of measures on $X$. Provided with the norm $\|\mu\|=\sup _{U \in \Omega(X)}|\mu(U)|$, it is an ultrametric $K$-Banach space.

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Let $\mu$ be a measure on $X$; for any locally constant function

$$
f=\sum_{j=1}^{n} \lambda_{j} \chi_{U_{j}}
$$

putting $\varphi_{\mu}(f)=\sum_{j=1}^{n} \lambda_{j} \mu\left(U_{j}\right)$, one defines on the space $\operatorname{Loc}(X, K)$ of the locally constant functions a continuous linear form such that

$$
\left|\varphi_{\mu}(f)\right| \leq\|\mu\|\|f\|_{\infty}
$$

then

$$
\left\|\varphi_{\mu}\right\|=\sup _{f \neq 0} \frac{\left|\varphi_{\mu}(f)\right|}{\|f\|_{\infty}} \leq\|\mu\| .
$$

The linear form $\varphi_{\mu}$ on $\operatorname{Loc}(X, K)$ associated to $\mu$ being continuous for the uniform norm on $\operatorname{Loc}(X, K)$ and since this space is a dense subspace of $\mathcal{C}(X, K)$, one sees that $\varphi_{\mu}$ extends to an unique continuous linear form on $\mathcal{C}(X, K)$ with the same norm and also noted $\varphi_{\mu}$.

On the other hand, if $\varphi$ is a continuous linear form on the Banach space $\mathcal{C}(X, K)$, by setting for any closed and open subset $U$ of $X: \mu_{\varphi}(U)=$ $\varphi\left(\chi_{U}\right)$, one defines a measure $\mu_{\varphi}$ on $X$ such that $\left\|\mu_{\varphi}\right\| \leq\|\varphi\|$.

Therefore, a measure $\mu=\mu_{\varphi}$ on $X$ which corresponds to some continuous linear form $\varphi$ on $\mathcal{C}(X, K)$ is such that $\varphi=\varphi_{\mu}$ and $\left\|\varphi_{\mu}\right\|=\|\mu\|$. Hence one sees that $M(X, K)$ is isometrically isomorphic to the dual Banach space $\mathcal{C}(X, K)^{\prime}$ of $\mathcal{C}(X, K)$.

Let $\mu$ be a measure on $X$ and $\varphi_{\mu}$ the continuous linear form associated to $\mu$. One defines an ultrametric seminorm on $\mathcal{C}(X, K)$ by setting, for $f \in \mathcal{C}(X, K)$ :

$$
\|f\|_{\mu}=\sup _{g \in \mathcal{C}(X, K), g \neq 0} \frac{|\mu(f g)|}{\|g\|_{\infty}},
$$

where $\mu(f)=\varphi_{\mu}(f)$ for $f \in \mathcal{C}(X, K)$.
Let us remind some fundamental notions on $p$-adic integration theory.
Theorem 1.2 (Schikhof). For any $\mu \in M(X, K)$, there exists a unique upper semicontinuous function $N_{\mu}: X \rightarrow[0, \infty)$ such that

$$
\|f\|_{\mu}=\sup _{x \in X}|f(x)| N_{\mu}(x)
$$

The function $N_{\mu}$ is given by the formula

$$
N_{\mu}(x)=\inf _{U \in \Omega(X), x \in U}\left\|\chi_{U}\right\|_{\mu}
$$

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Proof. See [7, page 278] or [6, Lemma 7.2] for a proof of the theorem.
For any closed and open subset $U \in \Omega(X)$

$$
\left\|\chi_{U}\right\|_{\mu}=\sup _{V \subset U, V \in \Omega(X)}|\mu(V)| .
$$

This relation is important for many computations which will follow.
If $\mu$ is a measure on $X$ and $f: X \rightarrow K$ a locally constant function, one sets $\varphi_{\mu}(f)=\int_{X} f(x) d \mu(x)$, called the integral of $f$ with respect to $\mu$.

Definition 1.3 ( $\mu$-integrable functions). Let $\mu$ be a measure on $X$ and $f: X \rightarrow K$ a function; one puts

$$
\|f\|_{s}=\sup _{x \in X}|f(x)| N_{\mu}(x) .
$$

One says that:

- $f$ is $\mu$-negligible if $\|f\|_{s}=0$ and a subset $U$ of $X$ is $\mu$-negligible if $\left\|\chi_{U}\right\|_{s}=0$.
- $f$ is $\mu$-integrable if there exists a sequence $\left(f_{n}\right)_{n}$ of locally constant functions such that $\lim _{n \rightarrow+\infty}\left\|f-f_{n}\right\|_{s}=0$.

One sets $\int_{X} f(x) d \mu(x)=\lim _{n \rightarrow+\infty} \int_{X} f_{n}(x) d \mu(x)$, which is seen to be independent of the sequence $\left(f_{n}\right)_{n}$.

For $x \in X$ and $\mu$ be a measure on $X$, one has $N_{\mu}(x) \leq\|\mu\|$ and one can show that $\|f\|_{s}=\|f\|_{\mu}$ for any continuous functions $f: X \rightarrow K$.

In the sequel, one denotes by $\mathcal{L}^{1}(X, \mu)$ the spaces of $\mu$-integrable functions and by $\mathrm{L}^{1}(\mathrm{X}, \mu)$ the quotient space $\mathcal{L}^{1}(X, \mu) / \Re$, where $\Re$ is the equivalence relation defined by $f \Re g$ if $f-g$ is $\mu$-negligible.

For any continuous function $f: X \rightarrow K$, one has $\|f\|_{s} \leq\|\mu\|\|f\|_{\infty}$.
Since the space of locally constant functions is uniformly dense in the space of continuous functions, one sees that any continuous function is $\mu$-integrable, in other words : $\mathcal{C}(X, K) \subseteq \mathcal{L}^{1}(X, K)$.

Furthermore if $f \in \mathcal{C}(X, K)$, one has $\int_{X} f(x) d \mu(x)=\varphi_{\mu}(f)$.

## 2. Integrable functions for the Bernoulli measures of rank 1.

We assume now that the complete valued field $K$ is a valued extension of $\mathbb{Q}_{p}$ and we let $\alpha$ be a $p$-adic unit. Let us remind that the Bernoulli

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polynomials $\left(B_{n}(x)\right)_{n \geq 0}$ are defined by

$$
\frac{t e^{x t}}{e^{t}-1}=\sum_{k \geq 0} B_{k}(x) \frac{t^{k}}{k!}
$$

Definition 2.1 (Koblitz [3], Proposition, page 35). Let $k \geq 1$ be a fixed integer and $B_{k}(x)$ be the $k$-th Bernoulli polynomial. For any integer $n \geq 1$ and $a \in\left\{0,1, \cdots, p^{n}-1\right\}$, put

$$
\mu_{k}\left(a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)=p^{n(k-1)} B_{k}\left(\frac{a}{p^{n}}\right)
$$

If $U=\bigcup_{i=1}^{N}\left(a_{i}+p^{n_{i}} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)$ is a partition of the closed and open subset $U$ of $\mathbb{Z}_{p}$, setting $\mu_{k}(U)=\sum_{i=1}^{N} \mu_{k}\left(a_{i}+p^{n_{i}} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)$, one can prove, with properties of Bernoulli polynomials, that this sum is independent of any such partition of $U$ and one obtains an additive map $\mu_{k}: \Omega\left(\mathbb{Z}_{p}\right) \rightarrow K$ called the Bernoulli distribution of rank $k$.

Definition 2.2 (B. Mazur). Let $k \geq 1$ be a fixed integer and $\alpha$ be a $p$ adic unit. The Bernoulli measure of rank $k$ normalized by $\alpha$ is the measure defined by setting for any closed and open set $U \in \Omega\left(\mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)$

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mu_{k, \alpha}(U)=\mu_{k}(U)-\alpha^{-k} \mu_{k}(\alpha U) \tag{2.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

Let $a$ be a $p$-adic integer, whose Hensel expansion is $a=\sum_{i \geq 0} a_{i} p^{i}$. For an integer $n \geq 1$, one puts

$$
(a)_{n}=\sum_{i<n} a_{i} p^{i} \text { and }[a]_{n}=\sum_{i \geq 0} a_{n+i} p^{i}
$$

One has then

$$
[a]_{n}=\frac{a}{p^{n}}-\frac{(a)_{n}}{p^{n}} \in \mathbb{Z}_{p} \text { and }[a \alpha]_{n}=\frac{a \alpha}{p^{n}}-\frac{(a \alpha)_{n}}{p^{n}} \in \mathbb{Z}_{p}
$$

Setting $U=a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}$ for any integer $a \in\left\{0,1, \ldots, p^{n}-1\right\}$ and $k=1$ in the relation (2.1), one has $\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)=B_{1}\left(\frac{a}{p^{n}}\right)-\alpha^{-1} B_{1}\left(\frac{(a \alpha)_{n}}{p^{n}}\right)$.

As $B_{1}(x)=x-1 / 2$, one obtains

$$
\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)=\left(\frac{a}{p^{n}}-\frac{1}{2}\right)-\alpha^{-1}\left(\frac{a \alpha}{p^{n}}-[a \alpha]_{n}-\frac{1}{2}\right)
$$

Thus, for all integers $n \geq 1$ and $a \in\left\{0,1, \ldots, p^{n}-1\right\}$,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)=\frac{1}{2 \alpha}\left(1-\alpha+2[a \alpha]_{n}\right) \tag{2.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

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Proposition 2.3. The measure $\mu_{1,-1}$ is equal to $-\delta_{0}$, where $\delta_{0}$ is the Dirac measure at 0 . The space of $\mu_{1,-1}$-integrable functions is equal to the space of all functions $f: \mathbb{Z}_{p} \rightarrow K$.

Proof. Let $n \geq 1$ be an integer, and $a$ be an integer such that $0 \leq a \leq p^{n}-$ 1 ; according to the relation (2.2), one has : $\mu_{1,-1}\left(a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)=-1-[-a]_{n}$.

- For $a=0$, it follows that $\mu_{1,-1}\left(p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)=-1$.
- For $1 \leq a \leq p^{n}-1$, one has $-\left(p^{n}-1\right) \leq-a \leq-1$ and

$$
1 \leq p^{n}-a \leq p^{n}-1
$$

As $-1=\sum_{i \geq 0}(p-1) p^{i}$, one has

$$
-a=\left(p^{n}-a\right)-p^{n}=\left(p^{n}-a\right)+p^{n} \sum_{i \geq 0}(p-1) p^{i}
$$

Hence, one has $[-a]_{n}=\sum_{i \geq 0}(p-1) p^{i}=-1$ and $\mu_{1,-1}\left(a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)=0$.
Let $\delta_{0}$ be the Dirac measure at 0 . It is readily seen that $\mu_{1,-1}=-\delta_{0}$ and $\mathrm{L}^{1}\left(\mathbb{Z}_{p}, \mu_{1,-1}\right)$ is algebraically isomorphic to $K$.

We now assume that $\alpha$ is a $p$-adic unit different from 1 and of -1 and we set $\gamma_{\alpha}=\inf _{x \in \mathbb{Z}_{p}} N_{\mu_{1, \alpha}}(x)$.

Let $j \geq 1$ be an integer; for any integer $a \in\left\{0,1, \cdots, p^{j}-1\right\}$, one has $\left|\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(a+p^{j} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)\right|=\left|\frac{1}{2 \alpha}\left(1-\alpha+2[a \alpha]_{j}\right)\right| \leq \max \left(|1-\alpha|,\left|2[a \alpha]_{j}\right|\right) \leq 1$.
Let us remind that any closed and open subset $V$ of $\mathbb{Z}_{p}$ can be written as disjoint union $V=\bigsqcup_{k=1}^{m}\left(a_{k}+p^{j_{k}} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)$. Hence, one has

$$
\left|\mu_{1, \alpha}(V)\right| \leq \max _{1 \leq k \leq m}\left|\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(a_{k}+p^{j_{k}} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)\right| \leq 1
$$

Thus, for all integer $n \geq 1$ and $a$ such that $0 \leq a \leq p^{n}-1$, one has

$$
\left\|\chi_{a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}}\right\|_{\mu_{1, \alpha}}=\sup _{V \subset a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}}\left|\mu_{1, \alpha}(V)\right| \leq 1
$$

Moreover, we have $N_{\mu_{1, \alpha}}(x) \leq\left\|\mu_{1, \alpha}\right\| \leq 1$, for any $p$-adic integer $x$.
Lemma 2.4. Let $\alpha=1+b p^{r}$ be a principal unit of the ring of p-adic integer, different from 1, with $r=v_{p}(\alpha-1) \geq 1$. For any p-adic integer $x$, one has

- $N_{\mu_{1, \alpha}}(x) \geq \frac{1}{p^{r}}$, if $p$ is odd;


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- $N_{\mu_{1, \alpha}}(x) \geq \frac{1}{2^{r-1}}$, if $p=2$ and $r \geq 2$.

Therefore $\gamma_{\alpha} \geq \frac{1}{p^{r}}$ if $p \neq 2$ and $\gamma_{\alpha} \geq \frac{1}{2^{r-1}}$ if $p=2$ and $r \geq 2$.
Proof. Let us remind that

$$
\mu_{1,1+b p^{r}}\left(a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)=\frac{1}{\alpha}\left([a \alpha]_{n}-\frac{1}{2} b p^{r}\right)
$$

where $n$ and $a$ be an integers such that $n \geq 1$ and $a \in\left\{0,1, \ldots, p^{n}-1\right\}$, and where $r=v_{p}(\alpha-1) \geq 1$. One has two cases :

First case : $p$ odd.

- If $a=0$, one has $\left|\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)\right|=\frac{1}{p^{r}}$; it follows that $\left\|\chi_{p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}}\right\|_{\mu_{1, \alpha}} \geq$ $\frac{1}{p^{r}}$.
- Now, assume that $1 \leq a \leq p^{n}-1$;
(1) If $\left|[a \alpha]_{n}\right|<\frac{1}{p^{r}}$, one has $\left|\mu_{1,1+b p^{r}}\left(a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)\right|=\left|\frac{1}{2} b p^{r}\right|=\frac{1}{p^{r}}$;
(2) If $\left|[a \alpha]_{n}\right|>\frac{1}{p^{r}}$, one has $\left|\mu_{1,1+b p^{r}}\left(a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)\right|=\left|[a \alpha]_{n}\right|>\frac{1}{p^{r}}$.

In these two cases, one obtains $\left\|\chi_{a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}}\right\|_{\mu_{1, \alpha}} \geq \frac{1}{p^{r}}$.
(3) If $\left|[a \alpha]_{n}\right|=\frac{1}{p^{r}}$, consider $c_{n}+c_{n+1} p+\cdots+c_{n+r} p^{r}+\cdots$ the Hensel expansion of $[a \alpha]_{n}$. One then has $c_{n}=c_{n+1}=\cdots=$ $c_{n+r-1}=0$ and $c_{n+r} \neq 0$. It follows that $[a \alpha]_{n+1}=c_{n+r} p^{r-1}+$ $c_{n+r+1} p^{r}+\cdots$; since $\left|2[a \alpha]_{n+1}\right|=\left|[a \alpha]_{n+1}\right|$, one has

$$
\left|\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(a+p^{n+1} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)\right|=\frac{1}{p^{r-1}} \geq \frac{1}{p^{r}}
$$

and $\left\|\chi_{a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}}\right\|_{\mu_{1, \alpha}} \geq \frac{1}{p^{r}}$.
Let $V_{x}$ be an open and closed neighborhood of $x$. There exists an integer $j_{0} \geq 1$ such that $x+p^{j_{0}} \mathbb{Z}_{p} \subset V_{x}$. Thus, one has $\left\|\chi_{x+p^{j} 0 \mathbb{Z}_{p}}\right\|_{\mu_{1, \alpha}} \leq\left\|\chi_{V_{x}}\right\|_{\mu_{1, \alpha}}$.

It follows that $\left\|\chi_{V_{x}}\right\|_{\mu_{1, \alpha}} \geq \frac{1}{p^{r}}$. Taking infimum, one obtains

$$
N_{\mu_{1, \alpha}}(x) \geq \frac{1}{p^{r}}
$$

Second case : $p=2$ and $r \geq 2$. Putting $\alpha=1+2^{r} b$, one has

$$
\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(a+2^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{2}\right)=\frac{1}{\alpha}\left([a \alpha]_{n}-2^{r-1} b\right)
$$

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- If $a=0$, for any integer $n \geq 1$, one has $\left|\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(2^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{2}\right)\right|=\frac{1}{2^{r-1}}$.

It follows that $\left\|\chi_{2^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{2}}\right\|_{\mu_{1, \alpha}} \geq \frac{1}{2^{r-1}}$.

- Let us suppose that $1 \leq a \leq 2^{n}-1$.
(1) If $\left|[a \alpha]_{n}\right|<\frac{1}{2^{r-1}}$, one has $\left|\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(a+2^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{2}\right)\right|=\frac{1}{2^{r-1}}$;
(2) If $\left|[a \alpha]_{n}\right|>\frac{1}{2^{r-1}}$, one has $\left|\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(a+2^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{2}\right)\right|=\left|[a \alpha]_{n}\right|>\frac{1}{2^{r-1}}$.

In these two cases, one obtains $\left\|\chi_{a+2^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{2}}\right\|_{\mu_{1, \alpha}} \geq \frac{1}{2^{r-1}}$.
(3) If $\left|[a \alpha]_{n}\right|=\frac{1}{2^{r-1}}$, as in the First case (3), one shows that $\left\|\chi_{a+2^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{2}}\right\|_{\mu_{1, \alpha}} \geq \frac{1}{2^{r-1}}$.
Let $x \in \mathbb{Z}_{2}$; one shows as in the First case that $N_{\mu_{1, \alpha}}(x) \geq \frac{1}{2^{r-1}}$ and again that $\gamma_{\alpha} \geq \frac{1}{2^{r-1}}$.

Lemma 2.5. Let $p$ be an odd prime number, $\alpha=\alpha_{0}+b p^{r}$ be a $p$-adic unit, where $\alpha_{0}$ is an integer such that $2 \leq \alpha_{0} \leq p-1$ and $r=v_{p}\left(\alpha-\alpha_{0}\right) \geq 2$. One has $N_{\mu_{1, \alpha}}(x) \geq \frac{1}{p^{r}}$ for any $p$-adic integer $x$ and $\gamma_{\alpha} \geq \frac{1}{p^{r}}$.

Proof. Let $p$ be an odd prime number and $\alpha=\alpha_{0}+b p^{r}$ be a $p$-adic unit, where $\alpha_{0}$ is an integer such that $2 \leq \alpha_{0} \leq p-1$ and $r=v_{p}\left(\alpha-\alpha_{0}\right) \geq 2$. Let us remind that, for all integers $n \geq 1$ and $a$ such that $0 \leq a \leq p^{n}-1$, one has

$$
\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)=\frac{1}{\alpha}\left([a \alpha]_{n}+\frac{1-\alpha}{2}\right)=\frac{1}{\alpha}\left[\left([a \alpha]_{n}-\frac{\alpha_{0}-1}{2}\right)-\frac{1}{2} b p^{r}\right] .
$$

- If $a=0$, one has $\left|\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)\right|=\left|\frac{1-\alpha}{2 \alpha}\right|=1$;
- Let us suppose that $a \in\left\{1,2, \cdots, p^{n}-1\right\}$.
(1) If $\left|[a \alpha]_{n}-\frac{\alpha_{0}-1}{2}\right|<\frac{1}{p^{r}}$, one has $\left|\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)\right|=\left|\frac{1}{2} b p^{r}\right|=\frac{1}{p^{r}}$.
(2) If $\left|[a \alpha]_{n}-\frac{\alpha_{0}-1}{2}\right|>\frac{1}{p^{r}}$, one has $\left|\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)\right|>\frac{1}{p^{r}}$.

In these two cases, one obtains $\left\|\chi_{a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}}\right\|_{\mu_{1, \alpha}} \geq \frac{1}{p^{r}}$.
(3) If $\left|[a \alpha]_{n}-\frac{\alpha_{0}-1}{2}\right|=\frac{1}{p^{r}}$, let $c_{n}+c_{n+1} p+\ldots$ be the Hensel expansion of $[a \alpha]_{n}$; there is two cases according to the parity of $\alpha_{0}$ :
First case : $\alpha_{0}$ odd.
One has $c_{n}=\frac{\alpha_{0}-1}{2}, c_{n+1}=\cdots=c_{n+r-1}=0$ and $c_{n+r} \neq 0$.

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Hence $[a \alpha]_{n+1}=c_{n+r} p^{r-1}+c_{n+r+1} p^{r}+\ldots$. It follows that

$$
\left|[a \alpha]_{n+1}-\frac{\alpha_{0}-1}{2}\right|=\left|\frac{\alpha_{0}-1}{2}\right|=1
$$

and $\left|\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(a+p^{n+1} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)\right|=1$.
Second case : $\alpha_{0}$ even.
The Hensel expansion of $\frac{\alpha_{0}-1}{2}$ is

$$
\frac{\alpha_{0}-1}{2}=\frac{p+\alpha_{0}-1}{2}+\sum_{i \geq 1} \frac{p-1}{2} p^{i}
$$

In this case, one has : $c_{n}=\frac{p+\alpha_{0}-1}{2}$ and for $j \in\{n+1, \ldots, n+$ $r-1\}, c_{j}=\frac{p-1}{2}$. Hence,

$$
[a \alpha]_{n+1}=\sum_{i=0}^{r-2} \frac{p-1}{2} p^{i}+\sum_{i \geq r-1} c_{n+i+1} p^{i}
$$

Therefore

$$
[a \alpha]_{n+1}-\frac{\alpha_{0}-1}{2}=-\frac{\alpha_{0}}{2}+\sum_{i \geq r-1}\left(c_{n+i+1}-\frac{p-1}{2}\right) p^{i}
$$

Thus, one has $\left|[a \alpha]_{n+1}-\frac{\alpha_{0}-1}{2}\right|=\left|-\frac{\alpha_{0}}{2}\right|=1$ and

$$
\left|\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(a+p^{n+1} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)\right|=1
$$

Finally, in these two cases, we have proved that

$$
\left\|\chi_{a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}}\right\|_{\mu_{1, \alpha}} \geq \frac{1}{p^{r}}
$$

As in the proof of Lemma 2.4, one proves that $N_{\mu_{1, \alpha}}(x) \geq p^{-r}$, for any $p$-adic integer $x$ and $\gamma_{\alpha}=\inf _{x \in \mathbb{Z}_{p}} N_{\mu_{1, \alpha}}(x) \geq p^{-r}$.

Lemma 2.6. - Let $p$ be an odd prime number and $\alpha$ be an integer $\geq 2$ which is a p-adic unit not congruent to 1 modulo $p$, then $\gamma_{\alpha}=1$.

- Let $\alpha$ be a negative integer $<-1$ which is a p-adic unit; one has then

$$
\gamma_{\alpha} \geq \min \left(\left|\frac{1-\alpha}{2}\right|,\left|\frac{1+\alpha}{2}\right|\right)>0
$$

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Proof. Let us remind that $\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)=\frac{1}{2 \alpha}\left(1-\alpha+2[a \alpha]_{n}\right)$, for all integers $n \geq 1$ and $a \in\left\{0,1, \ldots, p^{n}-1\right\}$.

- Let $p$ be an odd prime number and $\alpha \geq 2$ be an integer which is a $p$-adic unit such that $\alpha \not \equiv 1(\bmod p)$ and $n \geq 1$ be a fixed integer; let us consider an integer $a$ such that $0 \leq a \leq p^{n}-1$.
If $a=0$, one has $\left\|\chi_{p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}}\right\|_{\mu_{1, \alpha}} \geq\left|\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)\right|=|\alpha-1|=1$.
Now, let us suppose that $1 \leq a \leq p^{n}-1$ and let us consider an integer $j$ such that $p^{j} \geq \alpha p^{n}-\alpha+1$; one has $\alpha \leq a \alpha \leq \alpha p^{n}-\alpha<$ $p^{j}$. It follows that $(a \alpha)_{j}=a \alpha$ and $[a \alpha]_{j}=0$. In this case, one has $\left|\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(a+p^{j} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)\right|=1$. Hence, one has $\left\|\chi_{a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}}\right\|_{\mu_{1, \alpha}} \geq 1$, for all integers $n$ and $a$ such that $n \geq 1$ and $a \in\left\{0,1, \cdots, p^{n}-1\right\}$.
Thus, as in the proof of Lemma 2.4, we have $N_{\mu_{1, \alpha}}(x) \geq 1$, for any $p$-adic integer $x$. Since $N_{\mu_{1, \alpha}}(x) \leq 1$, for any $p$-adic integer $x$, the function $N_{\mu_{1, \alpha}}$ is constant and $N_{\mu_{1, \alpha}}(x)=1=\gamma_{\alpha}$.
- Let $\alpha$ be a negative integer $<-1$ which is a $p$-adic unit, $n \geq 1$ be an integer and $a \in\left\{1,2, \cdots, p^{n}-1\right\}$. One obtains a strictly positive integer while setting $m=-a \alpha$; let us denote by $s(m)$ the highest power of $p$ in the Hensel expansion of $m$. One has two cases:
First case : $m=p^{s(m)}$. One has $a \alpha=-m=p^{s(m)} \sum_{k \geq 0}(p-1) p^{k}$. Thus $[a \alpha]_{j}=\sum_{i \geq 0}(p-1) p^{i}=-1$ and $\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(a+p^{j} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)=-\frac{\alpha+1}{2 \alpha}$, for any integer $j>\max (s(m), n)$. It follows that

$$
\left|\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(a+p^{j} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)\right|=\left|\frac{\alpha+1}{2 \alpha}\right|=\left|\frac{\alpha+1}{2}\right| \leq\left\|\chi_{a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}}\right\|_{\mu_{1, \alpha}}
$$

Second case : $m \neq p^{s(m)}$. One has $-m=\left(p^{s(m)+1}-m\right)-p^{s(m)+1}$; the Hensel expansion of $a \alpha=-m$ is given by

$$
a \alpha=\sum_{\ell=0}^{s(m)} \beta_{\ell} p^{\ell}+\sum_{j \geq 0}(p-1) p^{s(m)+1+j}
$$

Thus, for any integer $j>\max (s(m)+1, n)$, one has $[a \alpha]_{j}=$ $\sum_{i \geq 0}(p-1) p^{i}=-1$ and

$$
\left|\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(a+p^{j} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)\right|=\left|\frac{\alpha+1}{2}\right| \leq\left\|\chi_{a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}}\right\|_{\mu_{1, \alpha}}
$$

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On other hand, one has

$$
\left\|\chi_{p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}}\right\|_{\mu_{1, \alpha}} \geq\left|\mu_{1, \alpha}\left(p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)\right|=\left|\frac{\alpha-1}{2}\right| .
$$

It follows that $\left\|\chi_{a+p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p}}\right\|_{\mu_{1, \alpha}} \geq \min \left(\left|\frac{\alpha+1}{2}\right|,\left|\frac{\alpha-1}{2}\right|\right)$, for any integer $n \geq 1$ and any integer $a \in\left\{0,1, \cdots, p^{n}-1\right\}$. One concludes that $\gamma_{\alpha}>0$.

Theorem 2.7. Let $\alpha$ be a p-adic unit of one of the following forms:

- $\alpha=1+b p^{r}$, where $r=v_{p}(\alpha-1)$ is such that $r \geq 1$ if $p \neq 2$ and $r \geq 2$ if $p=2$;
- $\alpha=\alpha_{0}+b p^{r}$, if $p \neq 2, \alpha_{0} \in\{2, \ldots, p-1\}$ and $r=v_{p}\left(\alpha-\alpha_{0}\right) \geq 2$;
- $\alpha \geq 2$ is an integer such that $\alpha \not \equiv 1(\bmod p)($ with $p$ odd $)$.
- $\alpha$ is a negative integer different from -1 .

The space $\mathcal{L}^{1}\left(\mathbb{Z}_{p}, \mu_{1, \alpha}\right)$ of $\mu_{1, \alpha}$-integrable functions is equal to the space of continuous functions $\mathcal{C}\left(\mathbb{Z}_{p}, K\right)$.

Furthermore, one has $\mathrm{L}^{1}\left(\mathbb{Z}_{p}, \mu_{1, \alpha}\right)=\mathcal{C}\left(\mathbb{Z}_{p}, K\right)$.
Proof. Let us suppose that the conditions on $\alpha$ (of Theorem 2.7) are satisfied. According to Lemmas 2.4, 2.5 and 2.6, one has $\gamma_{\alpha}>0$. Hence, one has $\gamma_{\alpha} \leq N_{\mu_{1, \alpha}}(x) \leq 1$ for any $p$-adic integers $x$. Thus, for any function $f: \mathbb{Z}_{p} \rightarrow K$, one has

$$
\gamma_{\alpha}\|f\|_{\infty} \leq\|f\|_{s} \leq\|f\|_{\infty}
$$

Let us assume that $f: \mathbb{Z}_{p} \rightarrow K$ is a $\mu_{1, \alpha}$-integrable function. There exists a sequence $\left(f_{n}\right)_{n \geq 0}$ of locally constant functions such that $\lim _{n \rightarrow+\infty} \| f-$ $f_{n} \|_{s}=0$. Since $\gamma_{\alpha}\left\|f-f_{n}\right\|_{\infty} \leq\left\|f-f_{n}\right\|_{s}, f$ is a uniform limit of continuous functions. Hence $f$ is continuous. It follows that $\mathcal{L}^{1}\left(\mathbb{Z}_{p}, \mu_{1, \alpha}\right)=C\left(\mathbb{Z}_{p}, K\right)$.

Moreover the null function is the only $\mu_{1, \alpha}$-negligible function and one has $\mathrm{L}^{1}\left(\mathbb{Z}_{p}, \mu_{1, \alpha}\right)=\mathcal{C}\left(\mathbb{Z}_{p}, K\right)$.
Remark 2.8. It remains to characterize the $\mu_{1, \alpha}$-integrable functions, where $\alpha=\alpha_{0}+b p$ is not an integer, $\alpha_{0} \in\{2, \ldots, p-1\}$ and $v_{p}\left(\alpha-\alpha_{0}\right)=1$ for $p \neq 2$ and $\alpha=1+2 b$ not a negative integer $\leq-1$ with $v_{2}(\alpha-1)=1$ for $p=2$.

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## 3. Inversibility of measures $\mu_{1, \alpha}$.

In what follows, if $n \geq 1$ is an integer, we denote by $s(n)$ the highest power of $p$ in the Hensel expansion of $n$.

Lemma 3.1. Let $p$ be a prime number and $\alpha=1+b p^{r}$ be a principal unit of the ring of $p$-adic integer different of 1 (with $r=v_{p}(\alpha-1) \geq 1$ ).

There exists an integer $n \geq 1$ such that $\left|[n \alpha]_{s(n)+1}\right|=1$.
Proof. Let $\alpha=1+b p^{r}$ be a principal unit of the ring of $p$-adic integer different from 1 (with $r=v_{p}(\alpha-1) \geq 1$ ) and $m$ be an integer such that $m \geq r$. Let us consider the positive integer $n=p^{m-r+1}\left(1+p+\cdots+p^{r-1}\right)$; one has $s(n)=m$ and $n=p^{s(n)-r+1}+\cdots+p^{s(n)}$. Hence, one has

$$
\begin{aligned}
n \alpha & =\left[p^{s(n)-r+1}+\cdots+p^{s(n)}\right]\left(1+b p^{r}\right) \\
& =p^{s(n)-r+1}+\cdots+p^{s(n)}+b p^{s(n)+1}\left(1+p+\cdots+p^{r-1}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

It follows that $[n \alpha]_{s(n)+1}=b\left(1+p+\cdots+p^{r-1}\right)$ and $\left|[n \alpha]_{s(n)+1}\right|=1$.
Definition 3.2. Let $n$ be an integer $\geq 0$, and $x$ be a $p$-adic integer.
The integer $n$ is called an initial part of $x$, and one notes $n \triangleleft x$ if $|x-n|<\frac{1}{n}$.
M. van der Put could showed that the sequence of functions $\left(e_{n}\right)_{n}$ defined by $e_{n}(x)=\left\{\begin{array}{r}1 \text { if } n \triangleleft x \\ 0 \text { overwise }\end{array}\right.$. is an orthonormal base of $\mathcal{C}\left(\mathbb{Z}_{p}, K\right)$; $\left(e_{n}\right)_{n}$ is called the van der Put base.

Theorem 3.3. Let $p$ be a prime number and $\alpha \neq 1$ be a p-adic unit. Then $\left\|\mu_{1, \alpha}\right\|=1$.
Proof. - If $p$ be an odd prime number and $\alpha$ be a $p$-adic unit of the form $\alpha=\alpha_{0}+b p^{r}$, where $\alpha_{0} \in\{2,3, \cdots, p-1\}$ and $r=$ $v_{p}\left(\alpha-\alpha_{0}\right) \geq 1$, one has $1=\left|\frac{1-\alpha}{2 \alpha}\right|=\left|\left\langle\mu_{1, \alpha}, e_{0}\right\rangle\right| \leq\left\|\mu_{1, \alpha}\right\| \leq 1$. Hence, one has $\left\|\mu_{1, \alpha}\right\|=1$.

- If $\alpha=1+b p^{r}$ is a principal unit of the ring of $p$-adic integers, different from 1 , one has two cases :
(1) $p \neq 2$ or $r \geq 2$.

According to Lemma 3.1, there exists an integer $n_{0} \geq 1$ such that $\left|\left[n_{0} \alpha\right]_{s\left(n_{0}\right)+1}\right|=1$. In this case, one has $1=\left|\left\langle\mu_{1, \alpha}, e_{n_{0}}\right\rangle\right| \leq$ $\left\|\mu_{1, \alpha}\right\| \leq 1$. It follows that $\left\|\mu_{1, \alpha}\right\|=1$.

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(2) $r=1$ and $p=2$.

One has $\alpha=1+2 b$ and $\left\langle\mu_{1,1+2 b}, e_{0}\right\rangle=\frac{-2 b}{2(1+2 b)}=\frac{-b}{\alpha}$.
Hence,

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \quad 1=\left|\frac{-b}{\alpha}\right|=\left|\left\langle\mu_{1,1+2 b}, e_{0}\right\rangle\right| \leq\left\|\mu_{1,1+2 b}\right\| \leq 1 \\
& \text { and }\left\|\mu_{1,1+2 b}\right\|=1 \text {. }
\end{aligned}
$$

- If $\alpha$ is a $p$-adic unit such that $2 \leq \alpha \leq p-1$ (with $p$ odd), one has

$$
1=\left|\frac{1-\alpha}{2 \alpha}\right|=\left|\left\langle\mu_{1, \alpha}, e_{0}\right\rangle\right| \leq\left\|\mu_{1, \alpha}\right\| \leq 1
$$

It follows that $\left\|\mu_{1, \alpha}\right\|=1$.

Let $\delta_{a}$ be the Dirac measure associated to the $p$-adic integer $a$. Let us put $\omega=\delta_{1}-\delta_{0}$. It is known that any measure $\mu \in M\left(\mathbb{Z}_{p}, K\right)$ can be written as a pointwise convergent series $\mu=\sum_{n \geq 0}\left\langle\mu, Q_{n}\right\rangle Q_{n}^{\prime}$, where $\left(Q_{n}\right)_{n \geq 0}$ is an orthonormal base of $\mathcal{C}\left(\mathbb{Z}_{p}, K\right)$ called the Mahler basis, defined by $Q_{n}(x)=\binom{x}{n}$ and $\left(Q_{n}^{\prime}\right)_{n \geq 0}$ is the dual family of $\left(Q_{n}\right)_{n \geq 0}$ defined by $\left\langle Q_{n}^{\prime}, Q_{m}\right\rangle=\delta_{n m}$. The convolution product $Q_{n}^{\prime} \star Q_{m}^{\prime}$ gives $\bar{Q}_{n+m}^{\prime}$; one deduces that $Q_{n}^{\prime}=Q_{1}^{\prime n}$. As $Q_{1}^{\prime}=\omega$, one has $Q_{n}^{\prime}=\omega^{n}$; it follows that $\mu=\sum_{n \geq 0}\left\langle\mu, Q_{n}\right\rangle \omega^{n}$. Hence the measure $\mu$ corresponds to the formal power series of bounded coefficients $S_{\mu}=\sum_{n \geq 0}\left\langle\mu, Q_{n}\right\rangle X^{n}$. Therefore, the algebra $M\left(\mathbb{Z}_{p}, K\right)$, provided with the convolution product, is isometrically isomorphic to the algebra $K\langle X\rangle$ of bounded formal power series with bounded coefficients, the norm being the supremum of the coefficients.

Let us remind (see for instance [2] or [1]) that an element $S$ of the Banach algebra $K\langle X\rangle$ is invertible if and only if $\|S\|=|S(0)| \neq 0$.

Theorem 3.4. Let $p$ be a prime number, and $\alpha$ be a p-adic unit.
The measure $\mu_{1, \alpha}$ is invertible for the convolution product if and only if $\alpha \not \equiv 1(\bmod p)$ if $p$ is odd $($ resp. $\alpha \not \equiv 1(\bmod 4)$ for $p=2)$.

Moreover its inverse $\nu_{\alpha}$ is given by the formula

$$
\nu_{\alpha}=\sum_{n \geq 0} d_{n}(\alpha) \omega^{n}
$$

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where $d_{0}(\alpha)=\frac{2 \alpha}{1-\alpha}, d_{1}(\alpha)=\frac{1+\alpha}{3(1-\alpha)}$ and for $n \geq 2$ :

$$
d_{n}(\alpha)=\alpha^{n}\left(\frac{2 \alpha}{1-\alpha}\right)^{n+1} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq j \leq n \\ i_{1}+\cdots+i_{j}=n \\ i_{1}, \ldots, i_{j} \in\{1, \ldots, n\}}}(-1)^{j}\binom{\alpha^{-1}}{i_{1}+2} \cdots\binom{\alpha^{-1}}{i_{j}+2} .
$$

Proof. Let $p$ be a prime number; let us denote by $S_{1, \alpha}(X)$ the formal power series with bounded coefficients which corresponds to the measure $\mu_{1, \alpha}$. One then has $S_{1, \alpha}(0)=\left\langle\mu_{1, \alpha}, Q_{0}\right\rangle=\frac{1-\alpha}{2 \alpha}$.

The measure $\mu_{1, \alpha}$ is invertible in $M\left(\mathbb{Z}_{p}, K\right)$ (for the convolution product) if and only if $S_{1, \alpha}$ is invertible in the Banach algebra $K\langle X\rangle$ (for the Cauchy product). According to Theorem 3.3, the norm of measure $\mu_{1, \alpha}$ is equal to 1 . Hence, $S_{1, \alpha}$ is invertible in $K\langle X\rangle$ if and only if:

$$
1=\left\|S_{1, \alpha}\right\|=\left|S_{1, \alpha}(0)\right|=\left|\frac{1-\alpha}{2 \alpha}\right|=\left|\frac{1-\alpha}{2}\right| .
$$

Thus $\mu_{1, \alpha}$ is invertible if and only if $\alpha-1 \not \equiv 0(\bmod p)$ for $p \neq 2$ (respectively $\alpha \not \equiv 1(\bmod 4)$ for $p=2)$.

Since

$$
(1+X)^{\alpha^{-1}}=\sum_{j \geq 0}\binom{\alpha^{-1}}{j} X^{j}
$$

one obtains

$$
S_{1, \alpha}(X)=U_{\alpha}(X)\left[1+X U_{\alpha}(X)\right]^{-1}
$$

where

$$
U_{\alpha}(X)=\alpha \sum_{j \geq 0}\binom{\alpha^{-1}}{j+2} X^{j}
$$

Moreover, if $\alpha$ is a $p$-adic unit such that $\alpha-1 \not \equiv 0(\bmod p)$ for $p \neq 2$ and $\alpha \not \equiv 1(\bmod 4)$ for $p=2$, one has $1=\left|\frac{1-\alpha}{2 \alpha}\right|=\left|U_{\alpha}(0)\right| \leq\left\|U_{\alpha}\right\| \leq 1$. One has $\left\|U_{\alpha}\right\|=\left|U_{\alpha}(0)\right| \neq 0$; hence $U_{\alpha}$ is invertible. It is readily seen that $1+X U_{\alpha}$ is invertible; one deduces that $\mu_{1, \alpha}=U_{\alpha}(\omega)\left[1+\omega U_{\alpha}(\omega)\right]^{-1}$. Thus, the convolution inverse $\nu_{\alpha}$ of the measure $\mu_{1, \alpha}$ is then given by $\nu_{\alpha}=U_{\alpha}(\omega)^{-1}\left[1+\omega U_{\alpha}(\omega)\right]=\omega+U_{\alpha}(\omega)^{-1}$. Setting

$$
c_{j}(\alpha)=\binom{\alpha^{-1}}{j+2}
$$

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for $j \geq 0, b_{0}(\alpha)=0$ and $b_{j}(\alpha)=c_{0}(\alpha)^{-1} c_{j}(\alpha)$ for $j \geq 1$, one has

$$
\begin{aligned}
U_{\alpha}(\omega)^{-1} & =\alpha^{-1} c_{0}(\alpha)^{-1}\left[1+\sum_{n \geq 1} b_{n}(\alpha) \omega^{n}\right]^{-1} \\
& =\alpha^{-1} c_{0}(\alpha)^{-1} \sum_{j \geq 0}(-1)^{j}\left[\sum_{n \geq 1} b_{n}(\alpha) \omega^{n}\right]^{j} \\
& =\frac{2 \alpha}{1-\alpha}+\frac{2 \alpha}{1-\alpha} \sum_{j \geq 1} \sum_{n \geq 1}(-1)^{j} b_{n}(j, \alpha) \omega^{n}
\end{aligned}
$$

with $b_{n}(j, \alpha)=\sum_{i_{1}+\cdots+i_{j}=n} b_{i_{1}}(\alpha) \cdots b_{i_{j}}(\alpha)$.
Since $b_{0}(\alpha)=0$,

$$
b_{n}(j, \alpha)=\sum_{i_{1}+\cdots+i_{j}=n} b_{i_{1}}(\alpha) \cdots b_{i_{j}}(\alpha)=0
$$

for $j \geq n+1$, one has

$$
b_{n}(j, \alpha)=\sum_{\substack{i_{1}, \ldots, i_{j} \geq 1 \\ i_{1}+\cdots+i_{j}=n}} b_{i_{1}}(\alpha) \cdots b_{i_{j}}(\alpha), \text { for } j \leq n
$$

More precisely, one has

$$
b_{n}(j, \alpha)=\left(\frac{2 \alpha^{2}}{1-\alpha}\right)^{n} \sum_{\substack{i_{1}, \ldots, i_{j} \in\{1, \ldots, n\} \\ i_{1}+\cdots+i_{j}=n}}\binom{\alpha^{-1}}{i_{1}+2} \cdots\binom{\alpha^{-1}}{i_{j}+2}, \text { for } j \leq n
$$

It follows that

$$
U_{\alpha}(\omega)^{-1}=\frac{2 \alpha}{1-\alpha}+\frac{2 \alpha}{1-\alpha} \sum_{n \geq 1} \sum_{j=1}^{n}(-1)^{j} b_{n}(j, \alpha) \omega^{n}
$$

and

$$
\nu_{\alpha}=\frac{2 \alpha}{1-\alpha} \delta_{0}+\left[1-\frac{2 \alpha}{1-\alpha} b_{1}(1, \alpha)\right] \omega+\frac{2 \alpha}{1-\alpha} \sum_{n \geq 2} \sum_{j=1}^{n}(-1)^{j} b_{n}(j, \alpha) \omega^{n}
$$

$$
\text { As } b_{1}(1, \alpha)=b_{1}(\alpha)=\binom{\alpha^{-1}}{2}^{-1}\binom{\alpha^{-1}}{3}=\frac{1-2 \alpha}{3 \alpha} \text {, one obtains }
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
\nu_{\alpha} & =\frac{2 \alpha}{1-\alpha} \delta_{0}+\frac{1+\alpha}{3(1-\alpha)} \omega+\frac{2 \alpha}{1-\alpha} \sum_{n \geq 2}\left[\sum_{j=1}^{n}(-1)^{j} b_{n}(j, \alpha)\right] \omega^{n} \\
& =\sum_{n \geq 0} d_{n}(\alpha) \omega^{n}
\end{aligned}
$$

where $d_{0}(\alpha)=\frac{2 \alpha}{1-\alpha}, d_{1}(\alpha)=\frac{1+\alpha}{3(1-\alpha)}$ and for $n \geq 2$ :

$$
\begin{aligned}
d_{n}(\alpha) & =\frac{2 \alpha}{1-\alpha} \sum_{j=1}^{n}(-1)^{j} b_{n}(j, \alpha) \\
& =\alpha^{n}\left(\frac{2 \alpha}{1-\alpha}\right)^{n+1} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq j \leq n \\
i_{1}+\cdots+i_{j}=n \\
i_{1}, \ldots, i_{j} \in\{1, \ldots, n\}}}(-1)^{j}\binom{\alpha^{-1}}{i_{1}+2} \cdots\binom{\alpha^{-1}}{i_{j}+2}
\end{aligned}
$$

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