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## Extensions of Compact Continuous Maps into Decomposable Sets.

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**SUMMARY** - From the known fact that a compact map from a closed subset of a metric space, with values in a decomposable set can be extended with values in the same set, here is presented a construction that ensures also the compactness of the image of the extension.

### 1. Introduction.

Any continuous function which maps a subset  $A$  of a metric  $X$  into a totally bounded set of a normed space  $E$  can be extended to the whole space  $X$  keeping the values in a totally bounded set [4]. In fact the range of the extension, the convex hull of a totally bounded subset of a normed space, is totally bounded.

Purpose of this note is to present a similar result for maps into  $L^1(T, E)$  that uses the concept of decomposable hull instead of that of a convex hull. It is well known that decomposable sets are absolute retracts [1]; however knowing that a totally bounded map with values in a decomposable set can be extended with values in this set, does not imply by itself that the extension will have values in a totally bounded set. In fact the decomposable hull of a set cannot be totally bounded unless it is a singleton [3].

The range of the extension proposed here is a totally bounded subset of the decomposable hull of the original image; apparently it cannot be characterized in simple terms like convexity.

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A special case for  $X = L_1(I, K)$ , where  $I \subset \mathfrak{R}$  is an interval and  $K$  a closed subset of  $\mathfrak{R}^n$ , has been presented in [2].

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## 2. Notations and definitions.

Throughout this paper,  $(T, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  denotes a measure space with a  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{F}$  of subsets of  $T$  and a positive measure  $\mu$ . Given a  $\mu$ -integrable function  $f: T \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$ ,  $f \cdot \mu$  denote the measure having density  $f$  with respect to  $\mu$ . When  $E$  is a Banach space with norm  $\|\cdot\|_E$ ,  $M$  denotes the vector space of those functions  $u: T \rightarrow E$ , which are measurable with respect to  $\mathcal{F}$  and to the Borel subsets of  $E$ , while  $L_1(T, E)$  is the Banach space of those functions  $u \in M$  such that  $\|u\|_E \in L_1(T, \mathfrak{R})$ , with norm  $\|u\|_1 = \int_T \|u\|_E d\mu$  (See [8], p. 132).

The open unit ball of  $L_1(T, E)$  is denoted by  $B_1$ . For every  $x, y \in L_1(T, E)$ , set  $d(x, y) = \|x - y\|$  and  $d(x, A) = \inf_{a \in A} \|x - a\|$ , where  $A \subset L_1(T, E)$ .

Let  $\nu: \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}^n$  be a vector measure, whose components have no atoms. A family  $(A_\alpha)_{\alpha \in [0,1]}$ ,  $A_\alpha \in \mathcal{F}$ , is called increasing if  $A_\alpha \subset A_\beta$  when  $\alpha \leq \beta$ . An increasing family is called refining  $A \in \mathcal{F}$  with respect to the measure  $\nu$  if  $A_0 = \emptyset$ ,  $A_1 = A$  and  $\nu(A_\alpha) = \alpha\nu(A)$  for every  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ . Let  $\nu$  be a vector measure absolutely continuous with respect to  $\mu$ ; then if  $\mu$  is nonatomic there exists a family  $(A_\alpha)_{\alpha \in [0,1]}$  refining  $T$  with respect to  $(\nu, \mu)$  (see [5]). From this point on, we assume  $\mu$  nonatomic. For the following concept one can refer to [7].

**DEFINITION 1.** *A set  $K \subset M$  is decomposable if*

$$u \cdot \mathcal{X}_A + v \cdot \mathcal{X}_{T \setminus A} \in K \quad \text{whenever } u, v \in K, A \in \mathcal{F}.$$

The collection of all nonempty closed decomposable subsets of a subspace  $L$  of  $M$  is denoted by  $D(L)$ . For any set  $H \subset L$ , the decomposable hull of  $H$  in  $L$  is

$$\text{dec}_L(H) = \bigcap \{K \in D(L): H \subset K\}.$$

Clearly,  $\text{dec}_L(H)$  represents the smallest decomposable subset of  $L$  which contains  $H$ .

It will be useful the following,

**PROPOSITION 2.** *If  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n \in L_1(T, E)$ , and  $(A_\alpha)_{\alpha \in [0,1]}$  is an increasing family refining the measure  $f_1 \cdot \mu, f_2 \cdot \mu, \dots, f_n \cdot \mu$ , then the*

set

$$S = \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^n f_j \mathcal{X}_{B(\lambda, j)} \right\},$$

where  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$  is such that  $\lambda_h \geq 0$ ,  $\sum_{h=1}^n \lambda_h = 1$ , and  $B(\lambda, j) = A_{l(j)} \setminus A_{l(j-1)}$  with  $l(j) = \sum_{h=1}^j \lambda_h$  ( $l(0) = 0$ ), is compact.

### 3. Main result.

**THEOREM 3.** *Let  $A \subset L_1(T, E)$  be totally bounded and  $i: A \rightarrow A$  be the identity. Then there exists a totally bounded set  $B$ , with  $A \subset B \subset \text{dec}(A)$ , and a continuous function  $\hat{i}: L_1(T, E) \rightarrow B$  such that  $\hat{i}|_A = i$ .*

**PROOF:** Set  $X = L_1(T, E)$ . It is not restrictive to assume  $A$  closed. The proof is divided into several steps.

a) Let  $(A_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be the open sets defined by

$$A_1 = \{x \in X: d(x, A) > 1\}$$

$$A_2 = \left\{ x \in X: \frac{1}{2} < d(x, A) < \frac{3}{2} \right\}$$

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$$A_n = \left\{ x \in X: \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} < d(x, A) < \frac{3}{2^{n-1}} \right\}$$

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We have:  $X \setminus A = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} A_n$ .

Set  $\varepsilon_n = 1/2^n$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , and let  $N_n = \{a_0^n, \dots, a_{j_n}^n\}$  be an  $\varepsilon_n$ -net of  $A$ . Let  $\pi: X \rightarrow A$  be a function such that  $d(x, \pi x) = d(x, A)$  ( $\pi$  is any selection of the projection of minimal distance). Put

$$\mathcal{U}_j^n = A_n \cap (\pi^{-1}(a_j^n + \varepsilon_n B_1) + \varepsilon_n B_1).$$

Consider the pairs  $(n, j)$ ;  $n \geq 1, j = 0, \dots, j_n$ , in the lexicographic order; the pair  $(n, j)$  is identified with a natural  $h$  by the relation  $h = \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} (j_l + 1) + j + 1$ . If  $h$  corresponds to the pair  $(n, j)$ ,  $a^h \in \mathcal{U}^h$  will denote respectively  $a_j^n$  and  $\mathcal{U}_j^n$ .

Let  $\{q^h(x)\}$  be a continuous partition of unity subordinate to  $\{\mathcal{U}^h\}$ . Set  $\theta^0(x) = 0$  and define  $\theta^h(x) = \sum_{l=1}^h q^l(x)$ .

Denote by  $s_k^1(t); k = 0, \dots, (j_1 + j_2)$  the elements in the set  $N_1 \cup N_2 \cup \{0\}$ .

Let  $(E_\lambda)_{\lambda \in [0,1]}$  be an increasing family refining  $T$  with respect to the measures generated by the densities  $g_{l,m}^1(t) = \|s_l^1(t) - s_m^1(t)\|_E$ , where  $l, m = 0, \dots, (j_1 + j_2)$ .

Define a continuous function  $i_1$  on  $A_1$  by setting

$$i_1(x) = \sum_h a^h \mathcal{X}_{E_{\theta^h(x)} \setminus E_{\theta^{h-1}(x)}}.$$

b) Let  $R_1 = \{b_m^1\}_{m=0, \dots, m_1}$  be an  $\varepsilon_3$ -net of the totally bounded set  $i_1(A_1)$ . It is easy to verify that there exists a finite decomposition of  $T, E^\beta; \beta = 0, \dots, \beta_1$ , i.e.  $E^\alpha \cap E^\beta \neq \emptyset$  if  $\alpha \neq \beta$  and  $T = \bigcup_{\beta=0}^{\beta_1} E^\beta$ , such that  $b_m^1$  coincides on  $E^\beta$  with an element  $y_{m,\beta}^1$  of the set  $N_1 \cup N_2$ .

Let  $f_1$  be a function mapping each  $x$  belonging to  $i_1(A_1)$  into an element of  $R_1$ , whose distance from  $x$  is less than  $\varepsilon_3$ . Define the open sets

$$\mathcal{V}_{j,m}^1 = \mathcal{U}_j^1 \cap (f_1^{-1}(b_m^1) + \varepsilon_4 B_1), \quad j = 0, \dots, j_1; m = 0, \dots, m_1$$

$$\mathcal{V}_{j,0}^n = \mathcal{U}_j^n, \quad j = 0, \dots, j_n; n \geq 2.$$

Consider the triples  $(n, j, m); n \geq 1, j = 0, \dots, j_n, m = 0, \dots, m_n$  (set  $m_n = 0$  if  $n \neq 1$ ), in the lexicographic order; the triple  $(n, j, m)$  is identified with a natural  $h$  by the relation  $h = \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} (j_l + 1)(m_l + 1) + (j + 1) \cdot (m + 1)$ . Denote with  $h_n$  the index corresponding to the triple  $(n, j_n, m_n)$ . If  $h$  corresponds with the triple  $(n, j, m); y_\beta^h, a^h, \mathcal{V}^h$  will denote respectively  $y_{m,\beta}^n, a_j^n$  and  $\mathcal{V}_{j,m}^n$ .

Let  $\{q^h(x)\}$  be a continuous partition of unity subordinate to  $\{\mathcal{V}^h\}$ . Set  $\gamma^0(x) = 0$  and define  $\gamma^h(x) = \sum_{l=1}^h q^l(x)$ .

Denote by  $s_k^2; k = 0, \dots, k_2$  the elements in the set  $N_1 \cup N_2 \cup N_3 \cup \{0\}$ .

Let  $(E_\lambda^\beta)_{\lambda \in [0,1]}$  be an increasing family refining  $E^\beta$  with respect to the measures generated by the densities  $g_{l,m}^2(t) = \|s_l^2(t) - s_m^2(t)\|_E$ ;

$l, m = 0, \dots, k_2$ . Define a continuous function  $i_2$  on  $A_1 \cup A_2$  by setting

$$i_2(x) = \sum_{\beta} \left( \sum_{h=1}^{h_1} y_{\beta}^h \mathcal{X}_{E_{\beta}^{h(x)} \setminus E_{\beta}^{h-1(x)}} + \sum_{h=h_1+1}^{+\infty} a^h \mathcal{X}_{E_{\beta}^{h(x)} \setminus E_{\beta}^{h-1(x)}} \right).$$

Further, from the definition of  $\{b_m^1\}$ , for every  $x \in A_1 \setminus \bar{A}_2$ , we have

$$\|i_1(x) - i_2(x)\|_1 \leq \|i_1(x) - b_m^1\| + \|b_m^1 - i_2(x)\| \leq 4\varepsilon_3 = \varepsilon_1.$$

c) Let us proceed by induction. Suppose that we have defined continuous functions  $i_j$  on  $\bigcup_{l \leq j} A_l$  such that

$$(@) \quad \|i_{j-1}(x) - i_j(x)\|_1 \leq \varepsilon_{j-1} \quad \text{on } \left( \bigcup_{l \leq j-1} A_l \right) \setminus \bar{A}_j \quad \text{for } j = 2, \dots, n.$$

Then there exists  $i_{n+1}$  such that (@) holds for  $j = n + 1$ . In fact, let  $R_n = \{b_m^n\}_{m=0, \dots, m_n}$  be an  $\varepsilon_{n+2}$ -net of the totally bounded set  $i_n(\bigcup_{m \leq n} A_m)$ . Then, there exists a finite decomposition of  $T$ ,  $(E^{\beta})_{\beta=0, \dots, \beta_n}^{n+1}$ , such that  $b_m^n$  coincides on each  $E^{\beta}$  with an element  $y_{m, \beta}^n$  of the set  $\bigcup_{j=1}^{n+1} N_j$ .

Let  $f_n$  be a function that maps each  $x$  belonging to  $i_n(\bigcup_{l \leq n} A_l)$  into an element of  $R_n$ , whose distance from  $x$  is less than  $\varepsilon_{n+2}$ . Then, define the open sets

$$\mathcal{V}_{h, m}^k = \mathcal{U}_h^k \cap (f_n^{-1}(b_m^n) + \varepsilon_{n+3} B_1); \quad h = 0, \dots, j_k; \quad m = 0, \dots, m_n; \quad k = 0, \dots, n-1,$$

$$\mathcal{V}_{h, 0}^k = \mathcal{U}_h^k, \quad h = 0, \dots, j_k; \quad k \geq n.$$

Let  $\{q^h(x)\}$  be a continuous partition of unity subordinate to  $\{\mathcal{V}^k\}$ . Denote by  $s_k^n; k = 0, \dots, k_n$  the elements in the set  $\bigcup_{j=1}^{n+2} N_j \cup \{0\}$ . Let

$(E_{\lambda}^{\beta})_{\lambda \in [0,1]}$  be an increasing family refining  $E^{\beta}$  with respect to the measures generated by the densities,  $g_{l, m}^n(t) = \|s_l^n(t) - s_m^n(t)\|_E$ ;  $l, m = 0, \dots, k_n$ .

Then, define a continuous function  $i_{n+1}$  on  $\bigcup_{j=1}^{n+1} A_j$ , by setting

$$i_{n+1}(x) = \sum_{\beta} \left( \sum_{h=1}^{h_n} y_{\beta}^h \mathcal{X}_{E_{\beta}^{h(x)} \setminus E_{\beta}^{h-1(x)}} + \sum_{h=h_n+1}^{+\infty} a^h \mathcal{X}_{E_{\beta}^{h(x)} \setminus E_{\beta}^{h-1(x)}} \right).$$

Further, from the definition of  $\{b_m^n\}$ , for every  $x \in \bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j \setminus \overline{A_{n+1}}$ , we have

$$\|i_n(x) - i_{n+1}(x)\|_1 \leq \|i_n(x) - b_m^n\|_1 + \|b_m^n - i_{n+1}(x)\|_1 \leq 4\varepsilon_{n+2} = \varepsilon_n.$$

d) Define a function  $\hat{i}: X \rightarrow X$  by setting, for every  $x \in A_n$ ,

$$\hat{i}(x) = \lim_{m \geq n} i_m(x)$$

and  $\hat{i}(x) = i(x)$  for every  $x \in A$ . Since the image of each  $i_m$  is contained in  $\text{dec} A$ , then also  $\hat{i}(X) \subset \text{dec} A$ .

From the relation

$$\|i_p(x) - i_q(x)\|_1 \leq \sum_{j=p}^{q-1} \varepsilon_j, \quad p < q, \quad x \in \bigcup_{h=1}^p A_h \setminus \overline{A_{p+1}}$$

it is easy to verify that  $\hat{i}$  is continuous on  $X \setminus A$ . Let us check the continuity on  $A$ . Fix  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $a \in A$ ; there exists a  $\delta > 0$ ,  $\delta < \varepsilon$ , such that if  $b \in A$  with  $\|a - b\|_1 < \delta$  then  $\|\hat{i}(a) - \hat{i}(b)\|_1 < \varepsilon/4$ . Now, if  $x \in X \setminus A$  and  $\|x - a\|_1 < \delta/4$ , then  $x$  belongs to some  $U_{j_0}^n$ , with  $n$  sufficiently large. Indeed,  $d(\pi x, a_{j_0}^n) < \varepsilon_n + \varepsilon_n = \varepsilon_{n-1}$ .

Therefore, if  $q_j^n(x) \neq 0$ ,  $d(a, a_j^n) < d(a, x) + d(x, \pi x) + d(\pi x, a_j^n) < < 3d(a, x) < \delta$ , and so  $\|\hat{i}(a) - \hat{i}(a_j^n)\|_1 < \varepsilon/4$ ; then  $\|i_n(x) - i(a_{j_0}^n)\|_1 \leq \leq \sup_{(j: q_j^n(x) \neq 0)} \|i(a_j^n) - i(a_{j_0}^n)\|_1 \leq \varepsilon/2$ , and so  $d(i_n(x), \hat{i}(a)) \leq d(i_n(x), i(a_{j_0}^n)) + d(i(a_{j_0}^n), \hat{i}(a)) < \varepsilon/2 + \varepsilon/4$ .

Because of the relation

$$(*) \quad \|\hat{i}(x) - i_n(x)\|_1 < \sum_{j=n}^{\infty} \varepsilon_j \leq \varepsilon_n < \frac{\delta}{4} < \frac{\varepsilon}{4},$$

$$\text{for every } x \in \bigcup_{h=1}^n A_h \setminus \overline{A_{n+1}},$$

we have,  $\|\hat{i}(x) - i(a)\|_1 < \varepsilon$ , for every  $x \in X$  with  $d(x, a) < \delta/4$ .

It is left to show that  $\hat{i}(X)$  is totally bounded. Fix  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Since  $\hat{i}$  is continuous, and  $A$  is compact, there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $\hat{i}(A + \delta B_1) \subset i(A) + (\varepsilon/2) B_1$ . Since  $A$  is totally bounded, then  $\hat{i}(A + \delta B_1)$  can be covered by a finite number of balls of radius  $\varepsilon$ . Choose  $m$  so that  $\{A_j: j = 1, \dots, m\}$  cover  $X \setminus [A + \delta B_1]$  while  $A_{m+1}$  has empty intersection with it. Since each  $i_j(\bigcup_{l=1}^m A_l)$ ,  $j \geq m$  is totally bounded, and  $(*)$  holds, we have that whenever  $j$  satisfies  $\varepsilon_j < \varepsilon/2$ , an  $(\varepsilon/2)$ -net of  $i_j(\bigcup_{l=1}^m A_l)$  is also an  $\varepsilon$ -net of  $\hat{i}(\bigcup_{l=1}^m A_l)$ .

Hence we have found a finite  $\varepsilon$ -net for the set  $\hat{i}(X)$ .  $\triangle$

As an application of theorem 3, the following result give in particular a new proof of a result of Fryszkowski[6].

**THEOREM 4.** *Let  $K$  be any closed, decomposable subset of  $L_1(T, E)$ , and let  $F: K \rightarrow K$  be continuous with  $F(K)$  totally bounded. Then  $F$  has a fixed point in  $K$ .*

**PROOF.** Set  $A = \overline{F(K)}$ . Following the notations of theorem 3, define the function  $\hat{F}: L_1(T, E) \rightarrow L_1(T, E)$  by  $\hat{F}(x) = F(\hat{i}(x))$ .

For every  $x \in L_1(T, E)$ ,  $\hat{F}(x) \subset F(B) \subset A$ ; in particular  $\hat{F}$  maps  $\overline{co}(A)$  into itself.

Let  $x^*$  be a fixed point of  $\hat{F}$ . Then  $x^* = F(\hat{i}(x^*)) \in A$ , hence,  $\hat{F}(x^*) = F(x^*)$ .  $\triangle$

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