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## Extension of Group-Valued Function and Density of Sets in Topological Group

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### 1. Introduction

This paper is about the extension of a topological group-valued function  $m : S \rightarrow \hat{G}$  satisfying some given conditions, where  $G$  and  $\hat{G}$  are topological groups - the former locally compact Hausdorff and the latter complete, commutative, and normally preordered (see Def.2.2) and  $S$  is the  $\sigma$ -ring generated by compact subsets of  $G$ . We obtain an extension  $m^*$  of  $m$  on  $P(G)$  - the power class of  $G$ , and study the properties of  $m^*$  which are in tune with the order-structure of  $\hat{G}$ . Certain real-valued functions  $f$  are associated with  $\hat{G}$  in a natural manner (see Th.2.3). We also study these functions.

In the concluding section we utilize  $m^*$  and  $f$  to define density of set in  $G$ . The notion of density of sets is rooted in the classical analysis. It has been studied extensively in the context of metric space [2], measure space [7], Romanovsky space [9] and topological group [6]. Bhakat and Kundu [1] have considered the idea in a uniform space with respect to a positive outer measure  $\mu$  which besides satisfying a number of conditions { [1], §2.8 }, has been made to satisfy the Vitaly axiom and regularity conditions { [1], §§2.6 and 2.7 }.

We have made  $m^*$  to satisfy the Vitali axiom which is an adaptation from that in [1]. We have found a necessary and sufficient condition for the equality  $D^*(E, x) = D_*(E, x)$  to hold, where  $E \subset G, X \in G$ .

In our work the order-structure of  $\hat{G}$  plays a crucial role, and as such, we have been based on [8] for some results and definitions which we mention in the following section for ready reference.

### 2. Definitions and known results

A pre-order ' $\leq'$ ' on a set  $E$  is a reflexive and transitive relation; if, in addition ' $\leq'$ ' is antisymmetric, it is called an order. A set  $E$  equipped with a preorder (order) is called a preordered (ordered) set. We write  $b \geq a$  iff  $a \leq b$ .

Let  $E$  be a preordered set and  $F \subset E$ ;  $F$  is called increasing or decreasing according as  $(b \geq a, a \in F) \Rightarrow b \in F$  or  $(c \leq d, d \in F) \Rightarrow c \in F$ . It is easy to see that  $\cup_{\alpha} F_{\alpha}$ ,  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  is increasing or decreasing for every  $\alpha$ . The same is true for  $\cap_{\alpha} F_{\alpha}$ ,  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .

Given a set  $H \subset E$ , there exists a unique increasing set  $i(H)$  and a unique decreasing set  $d(H)$  containing  $H$ . It is, in fact, the smallest increasing or decreasing set containing  $H$ .

An element  $x \in i(H)[x \in d(H)]$  iff it is possible to choose  $y \in H$  such that  $x \geq y[x \leq y]$ .

Let  $E$  be a topological space equipped with a preorder; the preorder is called closed if its graph in  $E^2$  is a closed subset. In fact, if  $E$  is Hausdorff and we define  $x \leq y$  iff  $x = y$ , then ' $\leq$ ' is a closed preorder on  $E$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** {[8], Ch.1, Prop.1}. *The preorder of a topological space  $E$  is closed if and only if for every two points  $a, b \in E$  such that  $a \leq b$  is false, it is possible to determine an increasing neighbourhood  $V$  of ' $a$ ' and a decreasing neighbourhood  $W$  of ' $b$ ' which are disjoint. If the preorder of  $E$  is closed, then for every point  $a \in E$ , the sets  $d(a)$  and  $i(a)$  are closed.*

**Theorem 2.2.** {[8], Ch.1, Prop.2}. *Every topological space  $E$  equipped with a closed preorder is a Hausdorff space.*

**Definition 2.1.** {[8], Ch.1, §2}. A topological space  $E$  is said to be normally preordered if, for every two disjoint closed sets  $F_0$  and  $F_1$  of  $E$ ,  $F_0$  being decreasing and  $F_1$  increasing, there exists two disjoint open sets  $A_0 \supset F_0, A_1 \supset F_1$  such that  $A_0$  is decreasing and  $A_1$  increasing.

**Theorem 2.3.** {[8], Ch.1, Th.1}. *A topological space  $E$  equipped with a preorder is normally preordered, if and only if for every pair of disjoint closed sets  $F_0$  and  $F_1$  of  $E$ ,  $F_0$  decreasing and  $F_1$  increasing, there exists on  $E$  a continuous, increasing real-valued function  $f$  such that  $f(x) = 0$  for  $x \in F_0, f(x) = 1$  for  $x \in F_1$  and  $0 \leq f(x) \leq 1$  for  $x \in E$ .*

**Definition 2.2.** Let  $E$  be a nonempty preordered set;  $E$  is called a normally preordered topological group if:

- i)  $E$  is an additive topological equipped with a closed preorder;
- ii)  $E$  is normally preordered; and
- iii) for any pair of elements  $a, b \in E(a \leq b) \rightarrow (a + c \leq b + c)$  for every  $c \in E$ .

For instance,  $\mathbf{R}^n$  is a normally preordered topological group, if one defines the closed preorder as  $(x_i) \leq (y_i)$  iff  $x_i = y_i, 1 \leq i \leq n$ . We call  $E^+ = \{x \in$

$E \mid x \geq 0$  the positive cone of  $E$ ;  $E^+$  is called generating {[12], Ch. 12, §89, p.96}, if every element  $s \in E$  can be expressed as  $s = u - \nu$ ,  $u, \nu \in E^+$  in at least one way.

Thus, in view of Theorem 2.2,  $\hat{G}$  is Hausdorff and the sets  $d(a)$  and  $i(a)$  are closed sets because of Theorem 2.1,  $a \in \hat{G}$ . We note that  $d(\hat{0}) = \{x \in \hat{G} \mid x \leq \hat{0}\}$ .

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $D \subset \hat{G}^+ - \{\hat{0}\}$  be a finite set; then  $i(D)$  is a closed subset of  $\hat{G}$  and  $i(D) \cap d(\hat{0}) = \emptyset$ ,  $\hat{0}$  being the zero-element of  $\hat{G}$ .*

The proof is omitted.

Let  $\xi_D(\hat{G})$  be the class of all continuous, increasing real-valued functions  $f$  on  $\hat{G}$ , relative to  $D$ , such that  $f(x) = 0$  if  $x \in d(\hat{0})$ ,  $f(x) = 1$  if  $x \in i(D)$  and  $0 \leq f(x) \leq 1$  for all  $x \in \hat{G}$ .  $\xi_D(\hat{G})$  is nonempty (see Theorem 2.3).

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $U$  be an increasing (resp. decreasing) neighbourhood of  $\hat{0}$  in  $\hat{G}$ ; then for any  $x \in \hat{G}$ ,  $x + U$  is an increasing (resp. decreasing) neighbourhood of  $x$ . Further,  $A + U$  is an increasing (resp. decreasing) neighbourhood of  $A \subset \hat{G}$ .*

The proof is omitted.

**Lemma 2.3.** *Let decreasing neighbourhoods form a neighbourhood basis at  $\hat{0}$ , and  $x_2 \in \hat{G}^+$ ; then for any  $f \in \xi_D(\hat{G})$  and  $x_1 \in \hat{G}$ ,*

$$f(x_1 + x_2) = f(x_1) + f(x_2).$$

**Proof.** Choose  $\epsilon > 0$  and decreasing neighbourhoods  $U, U_1$  and  $U_2$  of  $\hat{0}$  such that

$$(2.1) \quad |f(x_1 + x_2) - f(y)| < \frac{\epsilon}{3} \quad \text{whenever} \quad y \in x_1 + x_2 + U,$$

$$(2.2) \quad |f(x_1) - f(y)| < \frac{\epsilon}{3} \quad \text{whenever} \quad y \in x_1 + U_1,$$

and

$$(2.3) \quad |f(x_2) - f(y)| < \frac{\epsilon}{3} \quad \text{whenever} \quad y \in x_2 + U_2.$$

By Lemma 2.2,  $x_2 + U_2$  is a decreasing neighbourhood of  $x_2$ , and since  $\hat{0} \leq x_2 \in x_2 + U_2$  it follows that

$$(2.4) \quad \hat{0} \in x_2 + U_2.$$

Set  $W = U \cap U_1$ ; then  $W$  is decreasing and since  $x_1 \leq x_1 + x_2 \in x_1 + x_2 + W \subset x_1 + x_2 + U$  it follows that  $x_1 \in x_1 + x_2 + U$ . Accordingly,

$$(x_1 + U_1) \cap (x_1 + x_2 + U) \neq \emptyset.$$

Choose  $y \in (x_1 + U_1) \cap (x_1 + x_2 + U)$ . Now

$$f(x_1 + x_2) - f(x_1) - f(x_2) \leq |f(x_1 + x_2) - f(y)| + |f(y) - f(x_1)| \\ + |f(x_2) - f(\hat{0})| + |f(\hat{0})| < \epsilon,$$

by (2.1)-(2.4). Since  $\epsilon > 0$  is arbitrary,

$$f(x_1 + x_2) = f(x_1) + f(x_2). \quad \blacksquare$$

**Corollary 2.1.** *If  $x, y, \in \hat{G}^+, f \in \xi_D(\hat{G})$ , then*

$$f(x + y) = f(x) + f(y).$$

**Corollary 2.2.** *If  $\hat{G}^+$  is generating, then*

$$f(x + y) = f(x) + f(y), \quad x, y \in \hat{G}^+, f \in \xi_D(\hat{G}).$$

This follows from Lemma 2.3.

**Corollary 2.3.** *If  $\hat{G}^+$  is generating, then*

$$f(x - y) = f(x) - f(y), \quad x, y \in \hat{G}^+, f \in \xi_D(\hat{G}).$$

### 3. Extension of $m$

Let  $G$  be an additive locally compact Hausdorff topological group,  $s$  be the  $\sigma$ -ring generated by the compact subsets of  $G$  and  $K \subset S$  be the class of open sets. For  $E \subset G$ , define

$$S(E) = \{F | E \subset F \in K\}.$$

Clearly,  $S(E)$  is a directed set -  $F_1 \geq F_2$  iff  $F_1 \subset F_2$  where  $F_1, F_2 \in S(E)$ .

Let  $m : S \rightarrow \hat{G}$  be a monotone increasing function satisfying the following conditions  $\{[5], \S 2\}$ :

- i)  $m(\emptyset) = \hat{0}$ ;
- ii)  $m(a + F) = m(a) + m(F)$  for every compact set  $F$  [we write  $m(a)$  for  $m(\{a\})$ ]
- iii) Given a neighbourhood  $U$  of  $\hat{0}$  and  $A \in S$ ,  $m(B) - m(A) \in U$  whenever  $B \subset A$  and  $B \in S$ .

**Definition 3.1.**  $\{[10], \S 0.2\}$  For any index set  $I, x : I \rightarrow \hat{G}$  and  $y \in \hat{G}, y = \sum x_l$  iff for every neighbourhood  $U$  of  $y$  there exists a finite set  $J \subset I$  such that  $J$  is finite and  $J \subset J' \subset I \Rightarrow \sum_{l \in J'} x_l \in U$ .

**Definition 3.2.**  $\{[11]\}$  For any  $E \subset G$  we define

$$m^*(E) = \lim m(D), D \in S(E).$$

Since  $\hat{G}$  is complete, the limit exists uniquely.

**Definition 3.3.** {[10], §2.1} A set  $E$  is  $m^*$ -measurable iff  $E \subset G$  and, for every  $T \subset G, m^*(T) = m^*(T \cap E) + M^*(T \setminus E)$ .

Let  $T(m)$  denote the set of all  $m^*$ -measurable sets.

**Definition 3.4.** {[5], §3} Two sets  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  are  $m^*$ -separated iff  $E_1 \subset G, E_2 \subset G$  and given any neighbourhood  $U$  of  $\hat{0}$  there exist open sets  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  in  $S, A_1 \supset E_1, A_2 \supset E_2$  such that  $m^*(A_1 \cup A_2) \in U$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** For any  $A \in S, m^*(A) = m(A)$ , and in particular,  $m^*(\emptyset) = 0$ .

*Proof.* Let  $U$  be an arbitrary neighbourhood of  $\hat{0}$  in  $\hat{G}$ ; choose symmetric neighbourhoods  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  of  $\hat{0}$  such that  $U_1 + U_2 \subset U$ . There exists  $D_0 \in S(A)$  such that

$$m(D) \in m^*(A) + U_1.$$

Whenever  $A \subset D \subset D_0$ . Further, in view of axiom (iii),

$$m(D) - m(A) \in U_2.$$

So,  $m^*(A) - m(A) = m^*(A) - m(D) + m(D) - m(A) \in U_1 + U_2 \subset U$ . Since  $\hat{G}$  is Hausdorff, it follows that

$$m^*(A) = m(A)$$

and when  $A = \emptyset, m^*(\emptyset) = 0$ . ■

**Lemma 3.2.**  $m^*$  is monotone increasing on  $P(G)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $E, F \in P(G)$  and  $E \subset F$ ; suppose  $m^*(E) \leq m^*(F)$  is false. By Theorem 2.1, there exists an increasing neighbourhood  $U$  of  $M^*(E)$  and a decreasing neighbourhood  $V$  of  $m^*(F)$  such that

$$(3.1) \quad U \cap V = \emptyset$$

However,

$$m^*(E) = \lim m(D), D \in S(E)$$

and

$$m^*(F) = \lim m(D), D \in S(F).$$

Accordingly, there exists  $\bar{D} \in S(E), \tilde{D} \in S(F)$  such that

$$(3.2) \quad \begin{cases} m(D_1) \in U & \text{whenever } E \subset D_1 \subset \bar{D} \\ m(D_2) \in V & \text{whenever } F \subset D_2 \subset \tilde{D}. \end{cases}$$

Since  $E \subset D_1 \cup D_2 \subset \bar{D} \cap \tilde{D} \subset \bar{D}$  ( or  $\tilde{D}$ ) and  $\bar{D} \cap \tilde{D} \in S(E)$  it follows, in view of (3.2), that  $m(D_1 \cap D_2) \in U$ . Further,  $m$  being monotone,  $U$  increasing and

$$\begin{aligned} m(D_2) &\geq m(D_2 \cap D_2) \in U \\ \Rightarrow m(D_2) &\in U \Rightarrow m(D_2) \in U \cap V. \end{aligned}$$

This contradicts (3.1). Hence the lemma is proved. ■

**Remark 3.2.**  $A \subset G \Rightarrow m^*(A) \geq 0$ .

**Lemma 3.3.**  $m^*$  is countably subadditive on  $\mathbf{P}(G)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\{E_n\} \subset \mathbf{P}(G)$  be an arbitrary sequence with  $E = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$ . Suppose

$$(3.3) \quad m^*(E) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} m^*(E_i)$$

is false. There exist, in view of Theorem 2.1, an increasing neighbourhood  $U$  of  $m^*(E)$  and a decreasing neighbourhood  $V$  of  $y = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} m^*(E_i)$  such that

$$(3.4) \quad U \cap V = \emptyset.$$

Since

$$m^*(E) = \lim m(D), \quad D \in S(E),$$

there exists  $D_0 \in S(E)$  such that

$$(3.5) \quad m(D) \in U.$$

Whenever  $E \subset D \subset D_0$ ,  $D \in S(E)$ .

Further, there exists a positive integer  $N$  such that

$$M^*(E_N) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n m^*(E_i) \in V, \quad n \geq N.$$

This gives, as  $V$  is decreasing,

$$m^*(E_n) \in V, \quad n \geq N.$$

Accordingly, there exists  $D^* \in S(E_n)$  such that

$$(3.6) \quad m(D) \in V.$$

Whenever  $E_n \subset D \subset D^*$ ,  $n \geq N$ .

Choose open sets  $D_1, D_2 \in K$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} E &\subset D_1 \subset D_0 \\ E &\subset D_2 \subset D^* \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$(3.7) \quad \begin{aligned} E &\subset D_1 \cap D_2 \subset D_0 \cap D^* \subset D_0 \\ E_n &\subset E \subset D_1 \cap D_2 \subset D_2 \subset D^*. \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$(3.8) \quad m^*(D_1 \cap D_2) = m(D_1 \cap D_2) \in U$$

by (3.5), (3.7) and Lemma 3.1.

Also,

$$(3.9) \quad m^*(D_1 \cap D_2) = m(D_1 \cap D_2) \in V$$

by (3.6) and (3.7). Therefore,

$$m^*(D_1 \cap D_2) \in U \cap V$$

which contradicts (3.4).

This completes the proof. ■

**Theorem 3.1.** *If  $\hat{G}$  is ordered, then  $m^*$  is countably additive on  $T(m)$ .*

Proof of this, being routine, is omitted.

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $\hat{G}$  be such that the neighbourhood system  $\hat{0}$  has a countable base consisting of decreasing neighbourhoods whose intersection is  $\{\hat{0}\}$ . Then for any  $E \in \mathbf{P}(G)$  there exists  $D \in S$ ,  $E \subset D$  such that  $m(D) = m^*(E)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\{U_n\}$  be a countable base at  $\hat{0}$  consisting of decreasing neighbourhoods with  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n = \{\hat{0}\}$ . So, for every  $n$ , there exists  $F_n \in S(E)$  such that  $m(E_n) \in m^*(E) + U_n$  whenever

$$E \subset E_n \subset F_n, \quad E_n \in S(E), \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

Set

$$D = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n,$$

then  $D \in S$  and  $e \subset D$ . Therefore,

$$m(E) \leq m(D) \leq m(E_n) \in m^*(E) + U_n, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

Since  $m^*(E) + U_n$  is decreasing by Lemma 2.2 for every  $n$ , it follows that

$$m(D) \in m^*(E) + U_n, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

Consequently,

$$m(D) - m^*(E) \in U_n, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots,$$

and as such



$$m(D) - m^*(E) \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n = \{\hat{0}\}.$$

Therefore,  $m(D) = m^*(E)$ . ■

#### 4. Density of sets

In this section we assume the following:

- i) The class of decreasing open neighbourhoods at  $\hat{0}$  forms a neighbourhood basis at  $\hat{0}$ ;
- ii)  $\hat{G}$  is ordered and  $\hat{G}^+$  is generating;
- iii)  $m^*$  satisfies the Vitali axiom which follows.

We consider the topological group  $G$  to be a uniform space  $(G, \mathcal{U})$ , where the uniformity  $\mathcal{U}$  is generated by sets of the form

$$R_U = \{(x, y) \in G \times G \mid y - x \in U\},$$

$U$  being an arbitrary neighbourhood of the identity element in  $G$ . Let  $\mathcal{V}$  be a base of  $\mathcal{U}$  consisting of closed and symmetric members of  $\mathcal{U}$ .

**Definition 4.1.** {[1], Def.2.1} Let  $A \subset G$ ; if  $A \times A \subset U$  for some  $U \in \mathcal{V}$ , we say that the diameter of  $A$  is less than  $U$  and write  $\delta(A) < U$ .

**Definition 4.2.** {[1], Def.2.2} Let  $\{A_\alpha, \alpha \in \Gamma, \geq\}$  be a net of subset of  $G$ ; if for every  $U \in \mathcal{V}$  there exists  $\alpha_0 \in \Gamma$  such that  $\delta(A_\alpha) < U$  for all  $\alpha \in \Gamma, \alpha \geq \alpha_0$ , we say that the diameter of  $A_\alpha$  tends to zero and write  $\delta(A_\alpha) \rightarrow 0$ .

**Definition 4.3.** {[1], Def.2.3} A net  $\{A_\alpha, \alpha \in \gamma, \geq\}$  of subsets of  $G$  is said to converge to  $x \in G$ , if  $x \in \bigcap_\alpha A_\alpha$  and  $\delta(A_\alpha) \rightarrow 0$ .

**Definition 4.4.** {[1], Def.2.4} For every  $V \in \mathcal{V}$  and  $x \in G$  we define

$$V^x = \{y \in G \mid (y, x) \in V\}$$

and call  $V^x$  a closed ball with center  $x$  and radius  $V$ .

Let  $U, V \in \mathcal{V}$ ; we define  $U \geq V$  iff  $U \subset V$ . It is easy to check that  $(\mathcal{V}, \geq)$  is a directed set. For  $V_0 \in \mathcal{V}$ , we write

$$\mathcal{V}(V_0) = \{V \in \mathcal{V} \mid V \subset V_0\}.$$

**Definition 4.5.** {[1], Def.2.5} Let  $E \subset U$  and let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a family of closed balls of  $G$ . We say that  $\mathcal{F}$  covers  $E$  in the sense of Vitali, if for every  $x \in E$  there is a net  $\{F_\alpha, \alpha \in \Gamma$  of closed balls such that  $F_\alpha \rightarrow x$ .

**Vitali axiom.** {[1], §2.6} Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a family of closed balls in  $G$  which covers  $E \subset G$  in the sense of Vitali; then for every neighbourhood  $U$  of  $\hat{0}$  in  $\hat{G}$  there is a countable family of pairwise disjoint closed balls  $\{F_i\} \subset \mathcal{F}$  such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} m^*(F_i) + m^*(E) \in U.$$

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $E \subset G$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  be a family of closed balls in  $G$  which covers  $E$  in the sense of Vitali. Then for a neighbourhood  $U$  of  $\hat{0}$  in  $\hat{G}$  there is a finite family of pairwise disjoint closed balls  $\{F_{j_i} : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  in  $\mathcal{F}$  such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} m^*(F_{j_i}) + m^*(E) \in U.$$

**Proof.** Choose neighbourhoods  $V_i, 1 \leq i \leq 3$  of  $\hat{0}$  such that

$$(4.1) \quad \sum_{i=1}^3 V_i \subset U.$$

By the Vitali axiom, there exists a countable family of pairwise disjoint closed balls  $\{F_i\}, i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$  such that

$$(4.2) \quad \sum_{i=1}^{\alpha} m^*(F_i) + m^*(E) \in V_1.$$

Let  $y = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} m^*(F_i)$ ; then for  $V_2$  there exists [cf. Def.3.1] a finite set  $J \subset N$  such that  $J'$  is finite, and

$$(4.3) \quad J \subset J' \subset N \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^r m^*(F_{j_i}) \in y + V_2,$$

where we suppose  $J' = \{j_i | i = 1, 2, \dots, r\}$  and  $N$  is the set of natural numbers.

Choose decreasing open neighbourhood  $W_i, 1 \leq i \leq r$  such that

$$(4.4) \quad \sum_{i=1}^r W_i \in V_3.$$

Now,

$$m^*(E \cap F_{j_i}) \leq m^*(F_{j_i}) \in m^*(F_{j_i}) + W_i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq r,$$

by Lemma 3.2; however  $m^*(F_{j_i}) + W_i, 1 \leq i \leq r$  are decreasing (cf. Lemma 2.2) and so,

$$m^*(E \cap F_{j_i}) - m^*(F_{j_i}) \in W_i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq r.$$

Summing over  $i$ , we get

$$\sum_{i=1}^r m^*(E \cap F_{j_i}) \in \sum_{i=1}^r m^*(F_{j_i}) \sum_{i=1}^r W_i \subset -m^*(E) + U,$$

by using (4.1)-(4.4). Therefore,

$$\sum_{i=1}^r m^*(E \cap F_{j_i}) + m^*(E) \subset U.$$

This proves the theorem. ■

**Definition 4.6.** {[1], Def.4.1} Let  $E \subset G$ ,  $c \in G$ ,  $V \in \mathcal{V}$  and  $f \in \xi_D(\hat{G})$ . Write  $\Delta(x, v) = \{W^x | W \in \mathcal{V}(v)\}$ . Define

$$D^*(E, x; v) = \sup \left\{ \frac{f[m^*(E \cap W^*)]}{f[m^*(W^*)]} \mid W^x \in \Delta(x, v) \right\}$$

and

$$D_*(E, x; v) = \inf \left\{ \frac{f[m^*(E \cap W^*)]}{f[m^*(W^*)]} \mid W^x \in \Delta(x, v) \right\}$$

[If  $f[m^*(W^*)] = 0$ , we take  $\frac{f[m^*(E \cap W^*)]}{f[m^*(W^*)]} = 0$ ].

Also, define

$$D^*(E, x) = \inf \{D^*(E, x; V) \mid V \in \mathcal{V}\}$$

and

$$D_*(E, x) = \sup \{D^*(E, x; V) \mid V \in \mathcal{V}\}.$$

$D^*(E, x)$  and  $D_*(E, x)$  are called respectively the upper and lower density of  $E$  at  $x$ .

It is clear that

$$0 \leq D_*(E, x) \leq D^*(E, x) \leq 1.$$

If  $D_*(E, x) = D^*(E, x) = 1$ , then  $x$  is called density point of  $E$ ; on the other hand, if  $D_*(E, x) = D^*(E, x) = 0$ ,  $x$  is called a dispersion point of  $E$ .

**Theorem 4.2.** *The functions  $D_*(E, x)$  and  $D^*(E, x)$  are monotone increasing and finitely subadditive for any fixed  $x \in G$  and  $E \subset G$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $E, F \subset G$ ,  $E \subset F$  and  $x \in G$ . Since  $m^*$  is monotone increasing,  $m^*(E \cap W^x) \leq m^*(F \cap W^x)$ ,  $W^x \in \Delta(x, v)$ ,  $V \in \mathcal{V}$ . Consequently,

$$\frac{f[m^*(E \cap W^*)]}{f[m^*(W^*)]} \leq \frac{f[m^*(F \cap W^*)]}{f[m^*(W^*)]} \leq D^*(E, x; v)$$

for every  $V \in \mathcal{V}$ ,  $f \in \xi_D(\hat{G})$ , and hence

$$D^*(E, x; v) \leq D^*(F, x; v)$$

for every  $V \in \mathcal{V}$ . This gives

$$D^*(E, x) \leq D^*(F, x).$$

Likewise,

$$D_*(E, x) \leq D_*(F, x).$$

Further,  $m^*$  is subadditive and so,

$$f[m^*(E \cup F) \cap W^x] \leq f[m^*(E \cap W^x)] + f[m^*(F \cap W^x)],$$

by Corollary 2.2,  $E, F \subset G$ ,  $W^x \in \Delta(x, v)$ ,  $V \in \mathcal{V}$ .

It follows, taking sup over  $W^x \in \Delta(x, v)$ , that

$$D^*(E \cup F, x; v) \leq D^*(E, x; v) + D^*(F, x; v), \quad V \in \mathcal{V}.$$

This leads to

$$D^*(E \cup F, x) \leq D^*(E, x) + D^*(F, x),$$

on taking inf over  $V \in \mathcal{V}$ .

Similarly,

$$D_*(E \cup F, x) \leq D_*(E, x) + D_*(F, x).$$

This proves the theorem. ■

**Lemma 4.1.** *Let  $V_1, V_2 \in \mathcal{V}$  and  $V_1 \subset V_2$ ; then*

i)  $D^*(E, x; v_1) \leq D^*(E, x; v_2)$

ii)  $D_*(E, x; v_1) \leq D_*(E, x; v_2)$

for any  $x \in G$  and  $E \subset G$ .

The proof is omitted.

**Theorem 4.3.** *A necessary and sufficient condition that  $D^*(E, x) = D_*(E, x)$  for any  $x \in G$  and  $E \subset G$  is that given  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists  $W$  in  $\mathcal{V}$  such that*

$$D^*(E, x; W) - D_*(E, x; W) < \epsilon.$$

**Proof. Sufficiency:** Let the condition hold. Then,

$$D^*(E, x) \leq D^*(E, x; W) < D_*(E, x; W) + \epsilon \leq D_*(E, x) + \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \leq D^*(E, x) - D_*(E, x) < \epsilon.$$

Since  $\epsilon$  is arbitrary,

$$D^*(E, x) = D_*(E, x).$$

**Necessity:** Choose  $\epsilon > 0$ , and suppose that  $D^*(E, x) = D_*(E, x)$ . There exists  $V_1, V_2 \in \mathcal{V}$  such that

$$D^*(E, x) + \epsilon/2 > D^*(E, x; V_1),$$

$$D_*(E, x) - \epsilon/2 < D_*(E, x; V_2),$$

choose  $W \subset V_1 \cap V_2$ ,  $W \in \mathcal{V}$ .

By the preceding lemma,

$$D^*(E, x) + \epsilon/2 > D^*(E, x; V_1) \geq D^*(E, x; W),$$

$$D_*(E, x) - \epsilon/2 < D_*(E, x; V_2) \leq D^*(E, x; W).$$

Therefore,

$$D_*(E, x) - \epsilon/2 < D_*(E, x; W) \leq D^*(E, x; W) < D^*(E, x) + \epsilon/2$$

$$\Rightarrow D^*(E, x; W) - D_*(E, x; W) < \epsilon.$$

This completes the proof. ■

**Lemma 4.2.** *Let  $E \subset G$ ,  $x \in G$  and  $0 < \lambda < 1$ . If  $D_*(E, x) < \lambda$ , then there is a net  $\{F_V^x \mid V \in \mathcal{V}(V_0)\}$  of closed balls with centre  $x$  which converges to  $x$ , and*

$$f[m^*(E \cap F_V^x)] < \lambda f[m^*(F_V^x)]$$

for all  $V \in \mathcal{V}(V_0)$ , where  $V_0$  is a fixed member of  $\mathcal{V}$ .

**Proof.** Choose  $U \in \mathcal{V}$ ; then there exists  $V_0 \in \mathcal{V}$  such that  $V_0 \cdot V_0 \subset U$  {[4], Ch.6, Th.2}. Take  $V \in \mathcal{V}$ ; consequently,

$$D_*(E, x; V) \leq D_*(E, x) < \lambda.$$

So, there exist closed balls  $F_V^x \in \Delta(x, V)$ ,  $V \in \mathcal{V}$  with  $x$  as centre such that

$$f[m^*(E \cap F_V^x)] < \lambda f[m^*(F_V^x)].$$

Now we consider the net of the closed balls  $\{F_V^x\}$  each with centre  $x$  and  $V \in \mathcal{V}(V_0)$ . This net has the desired property. For,  $F_V^x \subset V^x \Rightarrow F_V^x \times F_V^x \subset V * x \times V^x \subset V \cdot v \subset V_0 \cdot V_0 \subset U$ , and so,

$$\delta(F_V^x) < U$$

and  $x \in F_V^x$ .

This proves the lemma. ■

**Lemma 4.3.** *Let  $E \subset G$ ,  $x \in G$  and  $0 < \lambda < 1$ . If  $D^*(E, x) > \lambda$ , then there is a net  $\{F_V^x \mid V \in \mathcal{V}(V_0)\}$  of closed balls with centre  $x$  which converges to  $x$ , and*

$$f[m^*(E \cap F_V^x)] > \lambda f[m^*(F_V^x)]$$

for all  $V \in \mathcal{V}(V_0)$ , where  $V_0$  is a fixed member of  $\mathcal{V}$ .

The proof is identical to that of Lemma 4.1.

**Theorem 4.4.** *Let  $E \subset G$ ; then almost all points of  $E$  are density points of  $E$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $W$  be an arbitrary neighbourhood of  $\hat{0}$  in  $\hat{G}$ ; choose a neighbourhood  $V$  of  $\hat{0}$  such that

$$V - V \in W.$$

Choose a decreasing neighbourhood  $U$  of  $\hat{0}$  such that

$$U \subset V.$$

Let  $\{\lambda_n\}$  be a sequence of positive real numbers such that  $\lambda_n \rightarrow 1$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Set

$$A_n = \{x \in E \mid D_*(E, x) < \lambda_n\},$$

and choose  $x \in A_n$ ; in view of Lemma 4.2, there exists a net of closed balls  $\{F_V^x \mid V \in \mathcal{V}(V_0)\}$  with centre  $x$  which converges to  $x$ . We, therefore, obtain a family of closed balls  $\{F_V^x\}$ ,  $V \in \mathcal{V}(V_0)$  corresponding to all points  $x \in A_n$  which covers  $A_n$  in the sense of Vitali. Accordingly, by theorem 4.1 there exists a finite pairwise disjoint sequence of closed balls

$$\{F_{V_1}^{x_1}, F_{V_2}^{x_2}, \dots, F_{V_n}^{x_n}\} \subset \{F_V^x\}, \quad x_i, x \in A_n, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$

such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n m^*(F_{V_i}^{x_i}) + m^*(A_n) \in U$$

and as such

$$\sum_{i=1}^n m^*(A_n \cap F_{V_i}^{x_i}) - m^*(A_n) \in U.$$

For some  $u_1, u_2 \in U$  we obtain, therefore,

$$(4.5) \quad \sum_{i=1}^n m^*(F_{V_i}^{x_i}) = -m^*(A_n) + u_1$$

$$(4.6) \quad \sum_{i=1}^n m^*(A_n \cap F_{V_i}^{x_i}) = m^*(A_n) + u_2.$$

Because of monotonicity of  $m^*$  we have from (4.5) and (4.6)

$$\begin{aligned} m^*(A_n) = u_2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n m^*(A_n \cap F_{V_i}^{x_i}) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n m^*(F_{V_i}^{x_i}) = -m^*(A_n) + u_1 \\ &\Rightarrow m^*(A_n) \leq 2m^*(A_n) \leq u_1 - u_2 \\ &\Rightarrow m^*(A_n) \in U - U \subset V - V \subset W. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\mathcal{G}$  is Hausdorff, it follows that

$$m^*(A_n) = 0.$$

If  $A$  is the set of points in  $E$  at which the lower density is less than unity, then

$$A = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n.$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} m^*(A) &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} m^*(A_n) \\ &\Rightarrow m^*(A) \leq 0 \\ &\Rightarrow m^*(A) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

This proves the theorem. ■

**Theorem 4.5.** *Let  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  be two subsets of  $G$ , then almost all points of  $E_2$  are dispersion points of  $E_1$  and vice versa.*

**Proof.** Let  $W$  be an arbitrary neighbourhood of  $\hat{0}$  in  $\hat{G}$ ; choose a decreasing neighbourhood  $U$  of  $\hat{0}$  such that  $U + U \subset W$ .

Let

$$A_n = \{x \in E_2 \mid D^*(E_1, x) > \frac{1}{n}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots\}$$

If  $x \in A$ , then by Lemma 4.3, there exists a net of closed balls  $\{F_V^x \mid V \in \mathcal{V}(V_0)\}$  with centre  $x$  which converges to  $x$ . Consequently, we obtain, as we did in the proof of the last theorem, a finite sequence of pairwise disjoint closed balls

$$\{F_{V_1}^{x_1}, F_{V_2}^{x_2}, \dots, F_{V_n}^{x_n}\} \subset \{F_V^x\}, \quad x_i, x \in A_n, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$

such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n m^*(F_{V_i}^{x_i}) + m^*(A_n) \in U$$

and so

$$\sum_{i=1}^n m^*(A_n \cap F_{V_i}^{x_i}) - m^*(A_n) \in U.$$

Proceeding analogously as in the proof of the preceding theorem, we obtain

$$m^*(A_n) = 0$$

for every  $n$ .

Let

$$A = \{x \in E_2 \mid D^*(E_1, x) > 0\}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \\ \Rightarrow m^*(A) &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} m^*(A_n) = 0 \quad [\text{Lemma 3.2}] \\ \Rightarrow m^*(A) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the upper density of  $E_1$  is zero almost everywhere in  $E_2$ ; accordingly, lower density of  $E_1$  is also zero almost everywhere in  $E_2$ . So, almost all points of  $E_2$  are dispersion points of  $E_1$ . Similarly, one can show that almost all points of  $E_1$  are dispersion points of  $E_2$ . This proves the theorem. ■

**Theorem 4.6.** *Let  $E \subset G$  be arbitrary; then almost all points of  $G$  are either density points or dispersion points of  $E$ .*

**Proof.** Suppose  $E_1 \subset E$  is the set of density points of  $E$ ; by Theorem 4.4,  $m^*(E \setminus E_1) = 0$ . If  $E_2 \subset E^c$  be the set of dispersion points of  $E$ , then because of Theorem 4.5,

$$m^*(E^c \setminus E_2) = 0.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} G = E \cup E^c &= E_1 \cup (E \setminus E_1) \cup (E^c \setminus E_2) \cup E_2 \\ &= E_1 \cup E_2 \cup (E \setminus E_1) \cup (E^c \setminus E_2), \end{aligned}$$

where  $m^*((E \setminus E_1) \cup (E^c \setminus E_2)) = 0$  and  $E_1 \cup E_2$  is the set of either a density or a dispersion point. Hence the theorem is proved. ■

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