

CHARACTERIZATION OF NON-LINEAR TRANSFORMATIONS POSSESSING KERNELS

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1. Introduction. Recently, in collaboration with Martin [10] and Sundaresan [11], I obtained a characterization of certain classes of non-linear functionals defined on spaces of measurable functions (see also [12]). The functionals in question had the form

$$(1.1) \quad F(x) = \int_T (\varphi \circ x) \, d\mu = \int_T \varphi(x(t)) \, d\mu(t)$$

with a continuous “kernel” $\varphi: R \rightarrow R$, or

$$(1.2) \quad F(x, y) = \int_{S \times T} (\varphi \circ (x, y)) \, d\mu \otimes \nu = \int_{S \times T} \varphi(x(s), y(t)) \, d\mu(s) \, d\nu(t)$$

with a separately continuous kernel $\varphi: R^2 \rightarrow R$. There are direct applications of this work to the theory of generalized random processes in probability (see [8]) and to the theory of fading memory in continuum mechanics [3]. However, the main motivation for these studies was an interest in possible application to the functional analytic study of non-linear differential equations. From the standpoint of this latter application it would also be desirable to characterize the broader class of functionals having the form

$$(1.3) \quad F(x) = \int_T \varphi(x(t), t) \, d\mu(t),$$

where the kernel $\varphi: R \times T \rightarrow R$ satisfies “Carathéodory conditions”. This can be readily understood if we recall that the existence theory for $\dot{x}(t) = \varphi(x(t), t)$, with φ a function satisfying Carathéodory conditions, is very close to that for $\dot{x}(t) = \varphi(x(t))$ with $\varphi: R \rightarrow R$ continuous (see, e.g., [2]).

In the present paper we obtain an abstract characterization for functionals having the form (1.3), a characterization which is of the kind obtained earlier for functionals having the form (1.1). In addition, we characterize corresponding transformations from $L^p(T)$ to $C(S)$, where $C(S)$ is the space of continuous functions on a compact Hausdorff space. Our proofs utilize some results appearing in Krasnosel’skiĭ’s important summary [9] of work on transformations of the type $x \rightarrow \varphi \circ x$. For some work on a problem analogous to ours for

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functionals on the space of continuous functions on a compact metric space, see [1].†

2. Throughout this paper, $T = (T, \Sigma, \mu)$ is a complete measure space, R is the real line with Lebesgue measure, and $M(T)$ denotes the space of extended real-valued measurable functions on T .

Definition. A real-valued function $\varphi: R \times T \rightarrow R$ is said to be of *Carathéodory type* for T and we write $\varphi \in \text{Car}(T)$ if it satisfies the following conditions,

- (1) $\varphi(\cdot, t): R \rightarrow R$ is continuous for almost all $t \in T$,
- (2) $\varphi(c, \cdot): T \rightarrow R$ is measurable for all $c \in R$.

One can extend this definition in an obvious way to functions $\varphi: R^m \times T \rightarrow R^n$. We remark that $\text{Car}(T)$ is a subspace of the vector space $M(R \times T)$.

If x is an extended real-valued measurable function on T and φ is in $\text{Car}(T)$, then the function $\varphi \circ x$ defined by

$$(\varphi \circ x)(t) = \varphi(x(t), t),$$

is also a measurable function on T . This is obviously true when x is a measurable function whose range is a finite set. In the general case, x is the limit everywhere of a sequence of functions x_n of the above type. Hence by continuity of φ in its first argument, $\varphi \circ x$, as the pointwise limit almost everywhere of the measurable functions $\varphi \circ x_n$, is measurable. Thus for each $\varphi \in \text{Car}(T)$, the mapping $x \rightarrow \varphi \circ x$ is a mapping of $M(T)$ into itself.

It is useful to single out certain subspaces of the vector space $\text{Car}(T)$ in terms of their mapping properties.

Definition. Given the number p , $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, a function φ of Carathéodory type for T is said to be in the *Carathéodory p -class*, and we write $\varphi \in \text{Car}^p(T)$ if φ maps $L^p(T)$ into $L^1(T)$. That is, φ is in $\text{Car}^p(T)$ if

$$\varphi \circ x \in L^1(T) \quad \text{for all } x \in L^p(T).$$

Remark. For the case of a non-atomic σ -finite measure space it is known [9, p. 27] that φ is in $\text{Car}^p(T)$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, if and only if

$$|\varphi(x, t)| \leq a(t) + b|x|^p$$

for some $a \in L^1(T)$.

THEOREM 1. *Let $T = (T, \Sigma, \mu)$ be a finite or σ -finite measure space. Let F be a real-valued functional on $L^\infty(T)$ which satisfies:*

- (i) $F(x + y) = F(x) + F(y)$ when $xy = 0$ a.e.,
- (ii) F is uniformly continuous on each bounded subset of $L^\infty(T)$,
- (iii) $F(x_n) \rightarrow F(x)$ whenever $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ converges boundedly almost everywhere to $x \in L^\infty(T)$.

†Since the submission of this paper, two related papers [4; 7] have appeared. Of the two, [4] is more closely related to this work.

Then there exists a function $\varphi \in \text{Car}^\infty(T)$ such that

$$(2.1) \quad F(x) = \int_T (\varphi \circ x) \, d\mu = \int_T \varphi(x(t), t) \, d\mu(t).$$

Moreover, φ can be taken to satisfy

$$(2.2) \quad \varphi(0, \cdot) = 0 \text{ a.e.,}$$

and is then unique up to sets of the form $R \times N$ with N a null set in T .

Conversely, for every $\varphi \in \text{Car}^\infty(T)$ satisfying (2.2), (2.1) defines a functional satisfying (i), (ii), and (iii).

Remarks. (1) The final statement of the theorem is valid for any $\varphi \in \text{Car}^\infty(T)$ satisfying

$$(2.3) \quad \int_T (\varphi \circ 0) \, d\mu = 0.$$

Moreover, condition (i) on F can be modified in such a way that this result applies to all $\varphi \in \text{Car}^\infty(T)$. Namely, we could replace (i) by

(i') $F(x + y) - F(x) - F(y) = \text{const} = C_F$ whenever $xy = 0$ a.e.

Note that then the functional $F_1(x) = F(x) + C_F$ satisfies (i), (ii), and (iii).

(2) Unlike the results in [10; 11], the present characterization does not require a hypothesis concerning the non-atomic nature or almost non-atomic nature of T . The same holds true for Theorem 2 below.

Proof of Theorem 1. It follows from (i) and (iii) that for each real number h the real-valued set function a_h defined by $a_h(S) = F(h\chi_S)$ is countably additive and absolutely continuous relative to μ . Hence by the Radon-Nikodym theorem there corresponds to each h a function $\varphi_h \in L^1(T)$, unique up to a null set, such that

$$F(h\chi_S) = \int_S \varphi_h \, d\mu.$$

The functions φ_h with h rational will be utilized below in constructing the function φ occurring in (2.1). This construction applies the following lemma whose proof will be deferred until later.

LEMMA. Given any $\eta > 0$ there is a measurable set $S_\eta = \cup_{i=1}^\infty S_{\eta,i}$ such that

(1) $\mu(T - S_\eta) < \eta, \mu(S_{\eta,i}) < \infty, i = 1, 2, \dots,$

(2) on $S_{\eta,i}$ there exists for each pair of numbers $M, \epsilon > 0$ a $\delta = \delta_i(\epsilon, M) > 0$ such that for rational h and h' we have

$$h, h' \in [-M, M] \text{ and } |h - h'| < \delta \Rightarrow \sup_{t \in S_{\eta,i}} |\varphi_h(t) - \varphi_{h'}(t)| \leq \epsilon.$$

Now select a sequence $\eta_m \rightarrow 0$ and define a function $\varphi: R \times T \rightarrow R$ as follows:

$$(2.4) \quad \varphi(c, t) = \begin{cases} \lim_{\substack{h \rightarrow c; \\ (h \text{ rational})}} \varphi_h(t) & \text{for } t \in S = \bigcup_{m=1}^\infty S_{\eta_m}, \\ 0 & \text{for } t \in T - S. \end{cases}$$

It follows from the lemma that this defines φ unambiguously and that $\varphi(\cdot, t)$ is continuous for each $t \in T$. Moreover, since $T - S$ is a null set, for each $c \in R$ the function $\varphi(c, \cdot)$ is the almost everywhere pointwise limit of a sequence of measurable functions φ_h and is therefore measurable. Thus φ is of Carathéodory type for T . Further, since for c rational we have

$$\varphi(c, t) = \varphi_c(t) \quad \text{a.e.,}$$

it is clear that $\varphi(c, \cdot) \in L^1(T)$ for c rational and that φ satisfies (2.2). It remains to be shown that (2.1) holds. For this we shall utilize Vitali's convergence theorem.

Suppose that $x \in L^\infty(T)$ is a simple function with rational values, i.e.

$$x = \sum_{k=1}^N c_k \chi_{T_k}, \quad c_k \text{ rational, } \{T_k\} \text{ disjoint.}$$

Then, using (i),

$$\begin{aligned} F(x) &= \sum_{k=1}^N F(c_k \chi_{T_k}) = \sum_{k=1}^N \int_{T_k} \varphi_{c_k} d\mu \\ &= \int_T (\varphi \circ (\sum c_k \chi_{T_k})) d\mu = \int_T (\varphi \circ x) d\mu. \end{aligned}$$

Thus (2.1) holds in this special case.

Now each $x \in L^\infty(T)$ is the limit almost everywhere as well as in norm of a sequence x_n of simple functions with rational values,

$$x_n \rightarrow x \quad \text{a.e. and in } L^\infty(T).$$

Since $\varphi \in \text{Car}(T)$, it follows that

$$(2.5) \quad \varphi \circ x_n \rightarrow \varphi \circ x \quad \text{a.e.}$$

In addition, the sequence $\varphi \circ x_n \in L^1(T)$ is uniformly absolutely continuous, i.e.

$$(2.6) \quad \int_R |\varphi \circ x_n| d\mu \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } \mu(R) \rightarrow 0, \text{ uniformly in } n.$$

Otherwise there would exist for some $\epsilon > 0$ a sequence of sets $R_m \subset T$ with $\mu(R_m) < 3^{-m}$ and a corresponding sequence $\varphi \circ x_{n_m}$ such that

$$\int_{R_m} |\varphi \circ x_{n_m}| d\mu > \epsilon.$$

It follows that each R_m possesses a subset R'_m satisfying

$$\left| \int_{R'_m} (\varphi \circ x_{n_m}) d\mu \right| > \epsilon/2.$$

Now the functions $y_m = x_{n_m} \chi_{R'_m}$ form a bounded set in $L^\infty(T)$ since the x_n

form such a set, and hence $y_m \rightarrow 0$ boundedly almost everywhere. Moreover, y_m being a rational-valued simple function implies that

$$F(y_m) = \int_T (\varphi \circ y_m) d\mu = \int_{R_m'} (\varphi \circ x_{n_m}) d\mu.$$

However, by the construction of R_m' this implies that the $F(y_m)$ do not converge to zero, contradicting property (iii).

Furthermore, the sequence $\varphi \circ x_n$ has the property that for each $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a set R_ϵ such that $\mu(R_\epsilon) < \infty$ and

$$(2.7) \quad \int_{T-R_\epsilon} |\varphi \circ x_n| d\mu < \epsilon \quad \text{for all } n.$$

Otherwise, for some $\epsilon > 0$ there would exist an expanding sequence of sets R_m with $\mu(R_m) < \infty$ and $\cup_{m=1}^\infty R_m = T$ and a corresponding sequence $\varphi \circ x_{n_m}$ such that $\int_{T-R_m} |\varphi \circ x_{n_m}| d\mu > \epsilon$. Thus for some $R_m'' \subset T - R_m$,

$$\left| \int_{R_m''} (\varphi \circ x_{n_m}) d\mu \right| > \epsilon/2.$$

The functions $y_m = x_{n_m} \chi_{R_m''}$ satisfy $y_m \rightarrow 0$ boundedly almost everywhere, while the formula

$$F(y_m) = \int_T (\varphi \circ y_m) d\mu = \int_{R_m''} (\varphi \circ x_{n_m}) d\mu$$

implies that the $F(y_m)$ do not converge to zero, contradicting (iii).

Since the sequence $\varphi \circ x_n$ in $L^1(T)$ satisfies (2.5)–(2.7), it follows by Vitalli's convergence theorem (see [5, p. 150]) that $\varphi \circ x$ belongs to $L^1(T)$ and that $\varphi \circ x_n \rightarrow \varphi \circ x$ in $L^1(T)$, whereby

$$F(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F(x_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_T (\varphi \circ x_n) d\mu = \int_T (\varphi \circ x) d\mu.$$

Thus $\varphi \in \text{Car}^\infty(T)$ and (2.1) holds. The uniqueness of φ follows from the fact that by (2.2),

$$F(c \chi_S) = \int_T \chi_S \varphi(c, t) d\mu = \int_S \varphi_c d\mu.$$

Considering only rational c , we see that this condition determines $\varphi(c, \cdot)$ up to a null set, and hence determines $\varphi \in \text{Car}(T)$ up to sets of the form $R \times N$ as claimed. This completes the proof of the first half.

For the converse let φ be a function in $\text{Car}^\infty(T)$ which satisfies condition (2.2). Then the functional F defined by (2.1) obviously satisfies (i). We proceed to show that (ii) holds. Otherwise there would exist numbers $A, a > 0$ such that corresponding to each positive integer n there is a pair of functions $x_n, y_n \in L^\infty(T)$ satisfying

$$(2.8) \quad \begin{aligned} \|x_n\|_\infty, \|y_n\|_\infty &\leq A, & \|x_n - y_n\|_\infty &< 1/n, \\ \|\varphi \circ x_n - \varphi \circ y_n\|_1 &> a. \end{aligned}$$

Consider first the case in which $\mu(T)$ is finite and set $S_1 = T$. Select a subsequence of x_n, y_n as follows. By the absolute continuity of the indefinite integral of $\varphi \circ x_1 - \varphi \circ y_1$ there exists an $\epsilon_1 > 0$ such that

$$\int_S |\varphi \circ x_1 - \varphi \circ y_1| d\mu < a/3 \quad \text{whenever } \mu(S) < 2\epsilon_1.$$

Obviously, $\epsilon_1 < \frac{1}{2}\mu(T)$. Since $\varphi(\cdot, t)$ is continuous for almost all $t \in T$, it is uniformly continuous on the set $[-A, A] \subset R$ for such t . Thus for each ϵ ,

$$T = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ t | c_1, c_2 \in [-A, A], |c_1 - c_2| \leq \frac{1}{n} \Rightarrow |\varphi(c_1, t) - \varphi(c_2, t)| \leq \epsilon \right\} \cup N,$$

where $\mu(N) = 0$. Hence by selecting n_2 sufficiently large one can find a measurable set T_2 satisfying

$$|(\varphi \circ x_{n_2})(t) - (\varphi \circ y_{n_2})(t)| \leq \frac{a}{3\mu(T)} \quad \text{for } t \in T_2,$$

and $\mu(T - T_2) < \epsilon_1$. By (2.8), this implies that with $S_2 = T - T_2$,

$$\int_{S_2} |\varphi \circ x_{n_2} - \varphi \circ y_{n_2}| d\mu > 2a/3, \quad \mu(S_2) < \epsilon_1.$$

Again, since the indefinite integral of $\varphi \circ x_{n_2} - \varphi \circ y_{n_2}$ is absolutely continuous, there exists an $\epsilon_2 > 0$ such that

$$\int_S |\varphi \circ x_{n_2} - \varphi \circ y_{n_2}| d\mu < a/3 \quad \text{whenever } \mu(S) < 2\epsilon_2.$$

Obviously, $2\epsilon_2 < \frac{1}{2}\mu(S_2)$. Again by the uniform continuity of $\varphi(\cdot, t)$ on $[-A, A]$ for almost all t , there exists an n_3 sufficiently large and a corresponding set T_3 such that

$$|(\varphi \circ x_{n_3})(t) - (\varphi \circ y_{n_3})(t)| < \frac{a}{3\mu(T)} \quad \text{for } t \in T_3,$$

and $\mu(T - T_3) < \epsilon_2$. By (2.8), this implies that with $S_3 = T - T_3$,

$$\int_{S_3} |\varphi \circ x_{n_3} - \varphi \circ y_{n_3}| d\mu > 2a/3, \quad \mu(S_3) < \epsilon_2.$$

Proceeding with this construction we obtain a subsequence x_{n_k}, y_{n_k} and a corresponding sequence of sets S_k satisfying

$$\int_{S_k} |\varphi \circ x_{n_k} - \varphi \circ y_{n_k}| d\mu > 2a/3, \quad \int_{S_{k+1}} |\varphi \circ x_{n_k} - \varphi \circ y_{n_k}| d\mu < a/3,$$

and $\mu(S_k) < \epsilon_{k-1} < \mu(S_{k-1})/2$. Now define $R_k = S_k - \bigcup_{i=k+1}^{\infty} S_i$. The sets R_k are disjoint. Moreover,

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=k+1}^{\infty} S_i\right) < 2\mu(S_{k+1}) < 2\epsilon_k$$

so that, recalling how the ϵ_j are defined, one has

$$\int_{R_k} |\varphi \circ x_{n_k} - \varphi \circ y_{n_k}| d\mu > a/3.$$

Define

$$x = \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} x_{n_l} \chi_{R_l}, \quad y = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} y_{n_k} \chi_{R_k}.$$

By construction, $x, y \in L^\infty(T)$, so that $\varphi \circ x, \varphi \circ y \in L^1(T)$, and

$$\int_{R_k} |\varphi \circ x - \varphi \circ y| d\mu = \int_{R_k} |\varphi \circ x_{n_k} - \varphi \circ y_{n_k}| d\mu > a/3, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots$$

Since the R_k are disjoint, this is a contradiction.

Consider now the case $\mu(T) = \infty$ and assume that (2.8) holds. One constructs sequences of functions $\{x_{n_k}\}, \{y_{n_k}\}$ and a sequence of disjoint sets $\{R_k\}$ such that

$$(2.9) \quad \mu(R_k) < \infty, \quad \int_{R_k} |\varphi \circ x_{n_k} - \varphi \circ y_{n_k}| d\mu > a/2.$$

The procedure is again inductive. Let R_1 be a set of finite measure such that

$$\int_{R_1} |\varphi \circ x_1 - \varphi \circ y_1| d\mu > a/2.$$

This is possible by (2.8). Then, by the result in the preceding paragraph, for n_2 sufficiently large,

$$\int_{R_1} |\varphi \circ x_{n_2} - \varphi \circ y_{n_2}| d\mu < a/2.$$

Hence there exists a set $R_2 \subset T - R_1$ such that $\mu(R_2) < \infty$ and

$$\int_{R_2} |\varphi \circ x_{n_2} - \varphi \circ y_{n_2}| d\mu > a/2.$$

Again since $\mu(R_1 \cup R_2) < \infty$, we have by our earlier result that for n_3 sufficiently large,

$$\int_{R_1 \cup R_2} |\varphi \circ x_{n_3} - \varphi \circ y_{n_3}| d\mu < a/2.$$

Hence there exists a set $R_3 \subset T - (R_1 \cup R_2)$ such that $\mu(R_3) < \infty$ and

$$\int_{R_3} |\varphi \circ x_{n_3} - \varphi \circ y_{n_3}| d\mu > a/2.$$

Proceeding in this fashion one arrives at sequences of functions $\{x_{n_k}\}, \{y_{n_k}\}$ and of disjoint sets $\{R_k\}$ for which (2.9) holds. Now define

$$x = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x_{n_k} \chi_{R_k}, \quad y = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} y_{n_k} \chi_{R_k}.$$

By construction,

$$\int_{R_k} |\varphi \circ x - \varphi \circ y| d\mu > \alpha/2, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots,$$

contradicting the fact that $\varphi \circ x, \varphi \circ y \in L^1(T)$.

There remains the proof of (iii). Let x_n be a sequence such that

$$(2.10) \quad x_n \rightarrow x \text{ a.e.}, \quad \|x_n\|_\infty, \|x\|_\infty \leq A.$$

Since $\varphi \in \text{Car}(T)$, it follows that

$$(2.11) \quad \varphi \circ x_n \rightarrow \varphi \circ x \text{ a.e.},$$

while by (ii),

$$(2.12) \quad \|\varphi \circ x_n\|_1, \|\varphi \circ x\|_1 \leq M = M(A).$$

It will be shown that (iii) holds by proving that

$$\varphi \circ x_n \rightarrow \varphi \circ x \text{ in } L^1 \text{ norm.}$$

The argument again utilizes Vitalli's convergence theorem. First, we show that for every sequence $\{x_n\}$ satisfying (2.10), the functions $\varphi \circ x_n$ have uniformly absolutely continuous indefinite integrals, i.e.

$$(2.13) \quad \int_U |\varphi \circ x_n| d\mu \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \mu(U) \rightarrow 0, \text{ uniformly in } n.$$

For otherwise there would exist for certain numbers $A, \alpha > 0$ a sequence $\{x_n\}$ satisfying (2.10) and a corresponding sequence of measurable sets S_n such that

$$\mu(S_n) \rightarrow 0, \quad \int_{S_n} |\varphi \circ x_n| d\mu > 2\alpha.$$

It then follows that there exists for each S_n a measurable subset S_n' such that

$$\mu(S_n') \rightarrow 0, \quad \left| \int_{S_n'} (\varphi \circ x_n) d\mu \right| > \alpha.$$

By extracting a subsequence if necessary, we may assume without loss of generality that all the integrals in the above formula have the same sign, say positive. That is,

$$(2.14) \quad \mu(S_n') \rightarrow 0, \quad \int_{S_n'} (\varphi \circ x_n) d\mu > \alpha.$$

Now by a construction analogous to that used in the proof of (ii) we can extract a subsequence $\{x_{n_k}\}$ such that the corresponding sets S_{n_k}' satisfy

$$(2.15) \quad \mu(S_{n_{k+1}}') < \epsilon_k/2 < \mu(S_{n_k}')/4,$$

where $\epsilon_k > 0$ is selected so that

$$\mu(U) < \epsilon_k \Rightarrow \int_U |\varphi \circ x_{n_k}| d\mu < \alpha/2.$$

Namely, with $n_1 = 1$ and with $n_1 < \dots < n_k$ already chosen, select $n_{k+1} > n_k$ to be the smallest integer such that

$$\mu(S_{n_{k+1}}') < \epsilon_k/2.$$

It then follows that

$$(2.16) \quad \int_{R_k} (\varphi \circ x_{n_k}) d\mu > \alpha/2, \quad \text{where } R_k = S_{n_k}' - \bigcup_{j=k+1}^{\infty} S_{n_j}',$$

since (2.15) implies that

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{j=k+1}^{\infty} S_{n_j}'\right) < \epsilon_k.$$

Consider now the function

$$y = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x_{n_k} \chi_{R_k}.$$

By (2.16) one has $\varphi \circ y \notin L^1(T)$, a conclusion which contradicts the fact that $\varphi \in \text{Car}^\infty(T)$.

Next, we show that the functions $\varphi \circ x_n$ are uniformly equicontinuous, i.e. given an $\epsilon > 0$ there is a measurable set S_ϵ satisfying

$$(2.17) \quad \mu(S_\epsilon) < \infty, \quad \int_{T-S_\epsilon} |\varphi \circ x_n| d\mu < \epsilon \quad \text{uniformly in } n.$$

For otherwise there would exist for certain numbers $A, \epsilon > 0$ a sequence satisfying (2.10) which fails to satisfy (2.17) for any set S of finite measure. We could then extract a subsequence $\{x_{n_k}\}$ and a disjoint sequence of sets R_k such that

$$\mu(R_k) < \infty, \quad \left| \int_{R_k} (\varphi \circ x_{n_k}) d\mu \right| > \epsilon/4, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots$$

Namely, let n_1 be chosen so that $\|x_{n_1}\|_1 \geq \epsilon$. There then exists a measurable set U_1 such that

$$\left| \int_{U_1} (\varphi \circ x_{n_1}) d\mu \right| \geq \epsilon/2,$$

and hence a set $R_1 \subset U_1$ such that

$$\mu(R_1) < \infty, \quad \left| \int_{R_1} (\varphi \circ x_{n_1}) d\mu \right| > \epsilon/4.$$

In general, with $n_1 < \dots < n_k$ already chosen, select $n_{k+1} > n_k$ to be the smallest integer such that

$$\int_{T-S_k} |\varphi \circ x_{n_{k+1}}| d\mu \geq \epsilon, \quad \text{where } S_k = \bigcup_{j=1}^k R_j.$$

There then exists a measurable set $U_{k+1} \subset T - S_k$ such that

$$\left| \int_{U_{k+1}} (\varphi \circ x_{n_{k+1}}) d\mu \right| \geq \epsilon/2,$$

and hence a set $R_{k+1} \subset U_{k+1}$ such that

$$\mu(R_{k+1}) < \infty, \quad \left| \int_{R_{k+1}} (\varphi \circ x_{n_{k+1}}) d\mu \right| > \epsilon/4.$$

By extracting a further subsequence if necessary we may assume without loss of generality that all the integrals in the above formula have the same sign, say positive. Thus,

$$(2.18) \quad \mu(R_k) < \infty, \quad \int_{R_k} (\varphi \circ x_{n_k}) d\mu > \epsilon/4, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots$$

Consider now the function

$$y = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x_{n_k} \chi_{R_k}.$$

By (2.18) and the disjointness of the sets R_k , we see that $\varphi \circ y \notin L^1(T)$, which contradicts the fact that $\varphi \in \text{Car}^\infty(T)$.

However, (2.11), (2.13), and (2.17) imply the L^1 -convergence of $\{\varphi \circ x_n\}$ to $\varphi \circ x$, which ensures (iii).

Proof of the Lemma. In the following we restrict the symbols h and r to denote rational numbers. Consider first the case of a finite measure space. To begin with we show that, for each $M > 0$ and each positive integer n , the contracting sequence of measurable sets $A_j^{M,n} = \{t \mid |\varphi_h(t) - \varphi_{h'}(t)| > 1/n \text{ for some } h, h' \in [-M, M] \text{ with } |h - h'| < 1/j\}$, $j = 1, 2, \dots$, converges to a null set. Otherwise for some fixed $c > 0$,

$$\mu(A_j^{M,n}) \geq c, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots$$

Now

$$A_j^{M,n} \subset \bigcup_{h \in [-M, M]} \bigcup_{r \in [-1/j, 1/j]} B_{h,r} = \bigcup_{h \in [-M, M]} B_h^{(j)},$$

where

$$B_{h,r} = \{t \mid |\varphi_h(t) - \varphi_{h+r}(t)| > 1/n\}, \quad B_h^{(j)} = \bigcup_{r \in [-1/j, 1/j]} B_{h,r}.$$

Enumerating the rationals in $[-M, M]$ and $[-1/j, 1/j]$ as h_1, h_2, \dots and r_1, r_2, \dots , respectively, define the sets $C_{h_k}^{(j)}$ and C_{h_k, r_l} as follows:

$$C_{h_k}^{(j)} = B_{h_k}^{(j)} - \bigcup_{i=1}^{k-1} B_{h_i}^{(j)}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots,$$

$$C_{h_k, r_l} = B_{h_k, r_l} - \bigcup_{i=1}^{l-1} B_{h_k, r_i}, \quad l = 1, 2, \dots$$

For each j define the functions x_j and y_j by

$$(2.19) \quad x_j = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} h_k \chi_{C_{h_k}^{(j)}},$$

$$(2.20) \quad y_j = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} (h_k + r_l) \chi_{C_{h_k, r_l}}.$$

By construction, x_j and y_j are in $L^\infty(T)$ and satisfy

$$(2.21) \quad \|x_j\|_\infty, \|y_j\|_\infty \leq M + 1,$$

$$(2.22) \quad \|x_j - y_j\|_\infty \leq 1/j.$$

Moreover, for $N, N' \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\sum_{k=1}^N h_k \chi_{C_{h_k}(j)} \rightarrow x_j \quad \text{boundedly a.e.,}$$

and

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \sum_{l=1}^{N'} (h_k + r_l) \chi_{C_{h_k, r_l}} \rightarrow y_j \quad \text{boundedly a.e. .}$$

Hence by (i) and (iii) and the definition of φ_h , we have:

$$\begin{aligned} F(x_j) - F(y_j) &= \sum_{k=1}^\infty F(h_k \chi_{C_{h_k}(j)}) - \sum_{k=1}^\infty \sum_{l=1}^\infty F((h_k + r_l) \chi_{C_{h_k, r_l}}) \\ &= \int_T \sum_{k=1}^\infty \left[\varphi_{h_k} \chi_{C_{h_k}(j)} - \sum_{l=1}^\infty \varphi_{h_k+r_l} \chi_{C_{h_k, r_l}} \right] d\mu > \frac{1}{n} \mu \left(\bigcup_{h \in [-M, M]} B_n^{(j)} \right) \geq \frac{1}{n} c, \end{aligned}$$

$j = 1, 2, \dots,$

contradicting (ii).

It follows from the above that with M given there exists for each $\eta > 0$ a set S_η^M satisfying

$$(2.23) \quad \text{for each } \epsilon > 0 \text{ there exists a } \delta = \delta(\epsilon, M) > 0 \text{ such that } h, h' \in [-M, M] \text{ and } |h - h'| < \delta \Rightarrow |\varphi_h(t) - \varphi_{h'}(t)| \leq \epsilon \text{ for } t \in S_\eta^M,$$

$$(2.24) \quad \mu(T - S_\eta^M) < \eta.$$

For by the preceding paragraph one can select for each integer n an index j_n such that

$$\mu(A_{j_n}^{M,n}) < \eta/2^n, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

Then the set S_η^M , defined by

$$(2.25) \quad S_\eta^M = T - \bigcup_{n=1}^\infty A_{j_n}^{M,n},$$

satisfies (2.23) and (2.24).

In addition, the set S_η defined by

$$(2.26) \quad S_\eta = \bigcap_{M=1}^\infty S_\eta^M$$

is readily seen to satisfy (2.23) and (2.24) for all M . Thus the lemma is proved in case T is a finite measure space (with $S_{\eta, i} = S_\eta$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots$).

Now suppose that $\mu(T) = \infty$. By hypothesis,

$$T = \bigcup_{i=1}^\infty T_i \quad \text{with } \mu(T_i) < \infty.$$

Using the result established in the preceding paragraphs, we construct sets $S_{\eta,i} \subset T_i, i = 1, 2, \dots$, by defining

$$S_{\eta,i} = S_{\eta/2^i} \quad (\text{relative to the measure space } T_i).$$

It is then clear that the set $S_\eta \subset T$ which is defined by

$$S_\eta = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} S_{\eta,i}$$

satisfies all the requirements stated in the lemma.

COROLLARY 1. *With T non-atomic let F be a real-valued functional on a subspace V of $M(T)$ such that $V \supset L^\infty(T)$. Suppose that F satisfies the following conditions:*

- (i) $F(x + y) = F(x) + F(y)$ when $xy = 0$ a.e.,
- (ii) F is uniformly continuous on each bounded subset of $L^\infty(T)$,
- (iii)' $F(x_n) \rightarrow F(x)$ whenever $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1} \in V$ converges a.e. to $x \in L^\infty(T)$.

Then there exists a function φ in $\text{Car}(T)$ such that

$$(2.27) \quad F(x) = \int_T (\varphi \circ x) d\mu \quad \text{for } x \in V$$

and $F: V \rightarrow R$ is bounded. In fact,

$$(2.28) \quad \varphi(V) = R_\varphi \subset L^1(T) \text{ is bounded.}$$

Moreover, φ can be taken to satisfy (2.2) and is then unique in the same sense as in Theorem 1.

Conversely, for every $\varphi \in \text{Car}^\infty(T)$ which satisfies conditions (2.2) and (2.28) [the latter for $V = L^\infty(T)$], the functional defined by (2.27) satisfies (i), (ii), and (iii) with $V = M(T)$.

Proof. Observe that the functional $F_1 = F|L^\infty(T)$ satisfies (i), (ii), and (iii) of Theorem 1, and hence is given by

$$(2.29) \quad F_1(x) = \int_T (\varphi \circ x) d\mu \quad \text{for } x \in L^\infty(T),$$

for some $\varphi \in \text{Car}^\infty(T)$.

We show first that $\varphi(L^\infty(T)) \subset L^1(T)$ is bounded. Since every $x \in M(T)$ is the limit almost everywhere of a sequence $x_n \in L^\infty(T)$, it will then follow by Fatou's lemma that $|\varphi \circ x|$ being the almost everywhere limit of $\{|\varphi \circ x_n|\}$ is in $L^1(T)$ and is norm bounded by the same constant as $\{|\varphi \circ x_n|\}$. Thus $\varphi(M(T)) \subset L^1(T)$ is also a bounded set. Suppose that $\varphi(L^\infty(T))$ were unbounded. Then there exists a sequence $x_n \in L^\infty(T)$ such that

$$(2.30) \quad \|\varphi \circ x_n\|_1 = c_n \rightarrow \infty.$$

It follows that there exists a subset $A_n \subset T$ such that

$$(2.31) \quad |F(x_n \chi_{A_n})| = \left| \int_{A_n} (\varphi \circ x_n) d\mu \right| \geq c_n/2 \rightarrow \infty.$$

Consider first the case $\mu(T) < \infty$. Then since T is non-atomic, there exists for each sufficiently large n a subset A_n' of A_n such that

$$(2.32) \quad |F(x_n \chi_{A_n'})| \geq 1, \quad \mu(A_n') \leq 2/c_n.$$

However, since $x_n \chi_{A_n'} \rightarrow 0$ a.e., (2.32) contradicts (iii)'.

Now suppose that $T = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} T_i, \mu(T_i) < \infty$. The preceding argument shows that for each m there is a constant N_m such that

$$\|\varphi \circ x\|_1 \leq N_m \text{ for } x \text{ such that } \text{supp } x \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^m T_i.$$

By extracting a subsequence we can assume that in (2.20), $c_m > 3N_m$. Consequently, there exist sets $A_m \subset T - \bigcup_{i=1}^m T_i$ such that

$$\|\varphi \circ x_m \chi_{A_m}\|_1 > 2N_m, \quad m = 1, 2, \dots$$

It then follows that for some subset $A_m' \subset A_m$,

$$(2.33) \quad |F(x_m \chi_{A_m'})| = \left| \int_{A_m'} (\varphi \circ x_m) d\mu \right| > N_m.$$

Now

$$x_m \chi_{A_m'} \rightarrow 0 \text{ a.e.,}$$

and hence (2.33) contradicts (iii)'.

For the converse, suppose that $\varphi \in \text{Car}^\infty(T)$ satisfies (2.2) and (2.28). By the argument given earlier, it follows that $\varphi(M(T)) \subset L^1(T)$ is bounded, so that F is defined on $M(T)$. Property (i) is obvious and (ii) is a consequence of the theorem. It only needs to be shown that (iii)' holds. Suppose that $x_n \in V, x \in L^\infty(T)$ and $x_n \rightarrow x$ a.e. Then it can be shown just as in the proof of the theorem that

$$\varphi \circ x_n \rightarrow \varphi \circ x \text{ in } L^1 \text{ norm}$$

and therefore

$$F(x_n) = \int (\varphi \circ x_n) d\mu \rightarrow \int (\varphi \circ x) d\mu = F(x).$$

Remark. It is easy to show by examples that on atomic measure spaces, (i), (ii), and (iii)' do not imply (2.28). On the other hand, the above proof shows that for all T , if $\varphi \in \text{Car}^\infty(T)$ and φ satisfies (2.2) and (2.28), then F satisfies (i), (ii), and (iii)'.

THEOREM 2. *With T as in Theorem 1, let F be a real-valued functional on $L^p(T), 1 \leq p < \infty$, which satisfies the following conditions:*

- (i) $F(x + y) = F(x) + F(y)$ when $xy = 0$ a.e.,
- (ii) _{p} F is continuous on $L^p(T)$,
- (iii) _{p} F is uniformly continuous relative to the L^∞ norm on each bounded subset of $L^\infty(T)$ which is supported by a set of finite measure.

Then there exists a function $\varphi \in \text{Car}^p(T)$ such that

$$(2.34) \quad F(x) = \int_T (\varphi \circ x) d\mu \text{ for } x \in L^p(T).$$

Moreover, φ can be taken to satisfy

$$(2.2) \quad \varphi(0, \cdot) = 0 \quad \text{a.e.}$$

and is then unique up to sets of the form $R \times N$ with N a null set in T .

Conversely, for every $\varphi \in \text{Car}^p(T)$ satisfying (2.2), the formula (2.34) defines a functional satisfying (i), (ii)_p, and (iii)_p.

Remarks. (1) Observe that when F is a linear functional, (ii)_p signifies uniform continuity on bounded subsets of $L^p(T)$ and hence implies (iii)_p. In addition, for such cases the function φ necessarily has the form $\varphi(x, t) = xu(t)$ for some locally summable function u . Thus the present result includes the Riesz representation theorem, modulo a proof that $u \in L^q(T)$ is necessary and sufficient in order that the above φ be in $\text{Car}^p(T)$.

(2) Combining Theorem 2 with results in [9], it follows even for the case of non-linear F that F is locally bounded on $L^p(T)$. However, F is generally *not* uniformly continuous on bounded subsets of $L^p(T)$. (See the remark following Corollary 2.)

(3) This result provides a significant strengthening of a result stated in [6] (see Corollary 2).

Proof of Theorem 2. By hypothesis, $T = \cup_{i=1}^{\infty} T_i$ where the T_i are disjoint subsets of finite measure. Thus $L^{\infty}(T_i)$ can be identified in the obvious way with a subspace of $L^{\infty}(T)$, $i = 1, 2, \dots$. Define

$$F_i = F|L^{\infty}(T_i), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots$$

Then (i), (ii)_p, and (iii)_p imply that each of the functionals F_i satisfies the hypotheses of Theorem 1, the validity of (iii) being a consequence of (ii)_p and the dominated convergence theorem. Hence there exist functions $\varphi_i \in \text{Car}(T_i)$, unique up to null sets, which satisfy (2.2) on T_i and

$$(2.35) \quad F_i(x) = \int_{T_i} (\varphi_i \circ x) d\mu \quad \text{for } x \in L^{\infty}(T_i), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots$$

Now define $\varphi: R \times T \rightarrow R$ by means of

$$(2.36) \quad \varphi(h, \cdot)|_{T_i} = \varphi_i(h, \cdot), \quad h \in R, i = 1, 2, \dots$$

It is clear that $\varphi \in \text{Car}(T)$ and that φ satisfies (2.2). It remains to show that (2.34) holds for $x \in L^p(T)$. Now for each simple function x the set $A = \text{supp}(x)$ has finite measure. Hence by the reasoning above,

$$F(x) = \int_A (\psi \circ x) d\mu, \quad \text{where } \psi \in \text{Car}^{\infty}(A).$$

Now by uniqueness of the Radon-Nikodym derivative of the set function $a(S) = F(a\chi_S)$ we have, on the sets $(\cup_{i=1}^n T_i) \cap A$, and hence on A , that $\varphi \circ x|_A = \psi \circ x$ a.e. Thus

$$F(x) = \int_A (\varphi \circ x) d\mu = \int_T (\varphi \circ x) d\mu.$$

Therefore (2.34) has been established for simple functions.

To show that (2.34) holds for all $x \in L^p(T)$, we again utilize the Vitalli convergence theorem. Notice that each $x \in L^p(T)$ is the limit almost everywhere as well as in norm of a sequence x_n of simple functions,

$$(2.37) \quad x_n \rightarrow x \text{ a.e. and in } L^p(T).$$

Since $\varphi \in \text{Car}(T)$, it follows that

$$(2.38) \quad \varphi \circ x_n \rightarrow \varphi \circ x \text{ a.e.}$$

In addition, the indefinite integrals of the sequence $\varphi \circ x_n \in L^1(T)$ are uniformly absolutely continuous, i.e.

$$(2.39) \quad \int_U |\varphi \circ x_n| d\mu \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \mu(U) \rightarrow 0, \text{ uniformly in } n.$$

Otherwise there would exist for some $a > 0$, a sequence of sets $U_m \subset T$ with $\mu(U_m) < 3^{-m}$, and a corresponding sequence $\varphi \circ x_{n_m}$ such that

$$\int_{U_m} |\varphi \circ x_{n_m}| d\mu > a.$$

It follows that each U_m (even if U_m is an atom) would possess a subset U'_m satisfying

$$\left| \int_{U'_m} (\varphi \circ x_{n_m}) d\mu \right| > a/2.$$

Now by (2.37) and the Vitalli convergence theorem [5, p. 150] applied to the x_n , the functions x_n form a bounded set in $L^p(T)$ and

$$\lim_{\mu(U) \rightarrow 0} \int_U |x_n|^p d\mu = 0$$

uniformly in n . Hence the functions $y_m = x_{n_m} \chi_{U'_m}$ lie in a bounded subset of $L^p(T)$ and satisfy $y_m \rightarrow 0$ in $L^p(T)$. Moreover, since y_m is a simple function,

$$F(y_m) = \int_T (\varphi \circ y_m) d\mu = \int_{U'_m} (\varphi \circ x_{n_m}) d\mu.$$

However, by the construction of U'_m , this formula implies that the $F(y_m)$ do not converge to zero, contradicting (ii_p).

Finally, the sequence $\varphi \circ x_n$ has the property that for each $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a set U_ϵ such that $\mu(U_\epsilon) < \infty$ and

$$(2.40) \quad \int_{T-U_\epsilon} |\varphi \circ x_n| d\mu < \epsilon \text{ for all } n.$$

Otherwise for some $\epsilon > 0$ there exists an expanding sequence of sets U_m with $\mu(U_m) < \infty$, $\bigcup_{m=1}^\infty U_m = T$, and a corresponding sequence $\varphi \circ x_{n_m}$ such that

$$\int_{T-U_m} |\varphi \circ x_{n_m}| d\mu > \epsilon.$$

Thus (even if $T - U_m$ is an atom) for some $U_m'' \subset T - U_m$,

$$\left| \int_{U_m''} (\varphi \circ x_{n_m}) d\mu \right| > \epsilon/2.$$

By (2.37) and the Vitalli convergence theorem, the indefinite integrals of the functions x_n are equicontinuous with respect to μ , so that the functions $y_m = x_{n_m} \chi_{U_m''}$ satisfy $y_m \rightarrow 0$ in $L^p(T)$. However, the formula

$$F(y_m) = \int_T (\varphi \circ y_m) d\mu = \int_{U_m''} (\varphi \circ x_{n_m}) d\mu$$

implies that the $F(y_m)$ do not converge to zero, contradicting (ii_p).

Since the sequence $\varphi \circ x_n$ satisfies (2.36)–(2.40), it follows by the Vitalli convergence theorem that $\varphi \circ x$ is in $L^1(T)$ and that $\varphi \circ x_n \rightarrow \varphi \circ x$ in $L^1(T)$, whereby

$$F(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F(x_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_T (\varphi \circ x_n) d\mu = \int_T (\varphi \circ x) d\mu.$$

Thus (2.34) holds for all $x \in L^p(T)$. The uniqueness of φ assuming that (2.2) holds, is immediate, since Theorem 1 then asserts the uniqueness of $\varphi|_{T_i}$, $i = 1, 2, \dots$.

For the converse we proceed as follows. Suppose that φ is a function in $\text{Car}^p(T)$ which satisfies (2.2). Then (i) obviously holds. Moreover, for any S such that $\mu(S) < \infty$, the restriction $\varphi|_S$ is in $\text{Car}^p(S)$. This implies in particular that $\varphi|_S$ is in $\text{Car}^\infty(S)$ and satisfies (2.2). Thus the validity of (iii_p) follows from Theorem 1. On the other hand, (ii_p) is a consequence of a theorem of Nemitskiĭ [9, p. 32] which asserts that every $\varphi \in \text{Car}^p(T)$ yields a *continuous* transformation from $L^p(T)$ to $L^1(T)$ by $x \rightarrow \varphi \circ x$. Indeed, the continuity of the function $x \rightarrow \int_T (\varphi \circ x) d\mu$ is a direct consequence of the continuity of the above transformation.

COROLLARY 2. *With T as above, there exists for every real-valued functional F on $L^p(T)$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, which satisfies the following conditions:*

- (i) $F(x + y) = F(x) + F(y)$ when $xy = 0$ a.e.,
 - (ii_p') F is uniformly continuous on each bounded subset of $L^p(T)$,
- a function $\varphi \in \text{Car}^p(T)$ such that

$$F(x) = \int_T (\varphi \circ x) d\mu \quad \text{for } x \in L^p(T).$$

Moreover, φ can be taken to satisfy (2.2), and is then unique up to sets of the form $R \times N$ with $N \subset T$ a null set.

Remark. The converse to this corollary is false except for a purely atomic space T consisting of a finite number of atoms. That is, φ being in $\text{Car}^p(T)$ and satisfying (2.2) does not in other cases ensure that (ii_p') holds. To see

this, let $T = \cup_{i=1}^{\infty} T_i$, where $0 < \mu(T_i) < \infty$ and T_i are disjoint. Then the function

$$\varphi(h, t) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} f_i(h)h^p \chi_{T_i}(t)$$

is in $\text{Car}^p(T)$ provided that each $f_i: R \rightarrow R$ is continuous and satisfies $|f_i| \leq 1$. However, it is easy to prevent *uniform* continuity on certain bounded sets in $L^p(T)$ by selecting the f_i to have appropriate zeros.

3. In this section we analyze transformations from $L^p(T)$ to $C(S)$.

THEOREM 3. *With T as in Theorem 1 let A be a transformation on $L^\infty(T)$ with values in $C(S)$, where S is a compact Hausdorff space. Suppose that A satisfies the conditions*

- (i_A) $A(x + y) = A(x) + A(y)$ when $xy = 0$ a.e.,
- (ii_A) A is uniformly continuous on each bounded subset of $L^\infty(T)$,
- (iii_A) $A(x_n) \rightarrow A(x)$ whenever $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ converges boundedly a.e. to $x \in L^\infty(T)$.

Then there exists a transformation $\Phi: S \rightarrow \text{Car}^\infty(T)$ such that

$$(3.1) \quad A(x)(s) = \int_T (\Phi(s) \circ x) d\mu = \int_T \Phi(s; x(t), t) d\mu(t).$$

The transformation Φ can be taken to satisfy

- (a) $\Phi(s) \circ 0 = 0$ a.e. for all $s \in S$,

in which case $\Phi(s)$ is unique, for each s , up to sets of the form $R \times N$ with N a null set T . Moreover, Φ has the following additional properties:

- (b) the mapping $s \mapsto \Phi(s) \circ x$ is weakly continuous for each $x \in L^\infty(T)$,
- (c) the mapping $x \mapsto \Phi(s) \circ x \in L^1(T)$ is uniformly continuous on each bounded subset of $L^\infty(T)$, uniformly in s ,
- (d) if $x_n \rightarrow x$ boundedly a.e., then
 - (1) $\lim_{\mu(E) \rightarrow 0} \int_E (\Phi(s) \circ x_n) d\mu = 0$ uniformly in s and n ,
 - (2) for any expanding sequence E_j such that $\cup E_j = T$,

$$\lim_{E_j \uparrow T} \int_{T-E_j} (\Phi(s) \circ x_n) d\mu = 0 \quad \text{uniformly in } s \text{ and } n.$$

Conversely, every transformation $\Phi: S \rightarrow \text{Car}^\infty(T)$ satisfying (a), (b), (c), and (d) determines by means of (3.1) a transformation $A: L^\infty(T) \rightarrow C(S)$ satisfying (i_A), (ii_A), (iii_A).

Proof. If A satisfies (i_A), (ii_A), and (iii_A), then for each fixed $s \in S$ the functional defined by $F_s(x) = A(x)(s)$ satisfies (i), (ii), and (iii) of Theorem 1. Hence by Theorem 1 there exists an element $\Phi(s) \in \text{Car}^\infty(T)$ satisfying (a) for which the representation

$$F_s(x) = A(x)(s) = \int_T (\Phi(s) \circ x) d\mu$$

holds, and $\Phi(s)$ is unique up to sets of the form $R \times N$ with N a null set in T .

To show that (b), (c), and (d) are satisfied, we proceed as follows. According to (i_A) and (iii_A), F_s determines for each $x \in L^\infty(T)$ a μ -continuous measure ν_x by means of

$$(3.2) \quad \nu_x(G) = F_s(x\chi_G) = \int_T (\Phi(s) \circ x\chi_G) d\mu.$$

Using (a) we can rewrite this as follows:

$$(3.3) \quad \nu_x(G) = \int_G (\Phi(s) \circ x) d\mu = A(x\chi_G)(s).$$

Thus for any $x, y \in L^\infty(T)$ we have

$$(3.4) \quad \int_G [\Phi(s) \circ x - \Phi(s) \circ y] d\mu = \nu_x(G) - \nu_y(G) \\ = A(x\chi_G)(s) - A(y\chi_G)(s).$$

Now the total variation of the signed measure $\nu_x - \nu_y$ is given by

$$(3.5) \quad \text{Var}(\nu_x - \nu_y) = \int_T |\Phi(s) \circ x - \Phi(s) \circ y| d\mu \\ = \sup_{G \in \Sigma} [A(x\chi_G)(s) - A(y\chi_G)(s)] \\ - \inf_{G' \in \Sigma} [A(x\chi_{G'})(s) - A(y\chi_{G'})(s)].$$

However, by (ii_A) we see that on each bounded subset B of $L^\infty(T)$ there exists for each $\epsilon > 0$ a δ , independent of s , such that for $x, y \in B, \|x - y\|_\infty < \delta$ the right side of equation (3.5) is less than ϵ . This yields (c).

To show that (b) holds, we observe first that, as a consequence of (c), for each $x \in L^\infty(T)$ the family

$$\mathcal{R}_x = \{\Phi(s) \circ x \mid s \in S\}$$

is a bounded subset of $L^1(T)$ (here the bounded subset of $L^\infty(T)$ is taken as $B_x = \{y \in L^\infty(T) \mid \|y\|_\infty \leq \|x\|_\infty\}$). Moreover, since A maps $L^\infty(T)$ into $C(S)$, we have for each $E \in \Sigma$:

$$(3.6) \quad \int_T (\Phi(s) \circ x\chi_E) d\mu = \int_T \chi_E(\Phi(s) \circ x) d\mu = A(x\chi_E)(s)$$

is continuous with respect to s . It then follows by (i_A) and (a) that

$$(3.7) \quad \int_T z(\Phi(s) \circ x) d\mu \in C(S)$$

for every measurable function z whose range is a finite set. Since these functions are dense in $L^\infty(T) = L^1(T)'$ and \mathcal{R}_x is a bounded subset of $L^1(T)$, it follows that (3.7) holds for all $z \in L^\infty(T)$, which yields (b).

To prove (d) we argue by contradiction. If (d) (1) were false, then there would exist a sequence x_n converging to x boundedly almost everywhere and

a sequence of triples (E_m, s_m, x_{n_m}) with $\mu(E_m) < 1/m$ such that for some fixed $\alpha > 0$,

$$(3.8) \quad \left| \int_{E_m} (\Phi(s_m) \circ x_{n_m}) d\mu \right| > \alpha, \quad m = 1, 2, \dots$$

By compactness of S we may assume without loss of generality that $s_m \rightarrow s_0$. Moreover, by (iii_A) we have for each $G \in \Sigma$:

$$(3.9) \quad \nu_{x_n, s_m}(G) = \int_G (\Phi(s_m) \circ x_n) d\mu = A(x_n \chi_G)(s_m) \rightarrow A(x \chi_G)(s_m) \\ = \int_G (\Phi(s_m) \circ x) d\mu \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

uniformly in m . The continuity of $A(x \chi_G)$ now implies that

$$(3.10) \quad \lim_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} \nu_{x_n, s_m}(G) = A(x \chi_G)(s_0) = \nu_{x, s_0}(G).$$

Therefore it follows by the Vitalli-Hahn-Saks theorem [5, p. 158] that

$$(3.11) \quad \lim_{\mu(E) \rightarrow 0} \nu_{x_n, s_m}(E) = \lim_{\mu(E) \rightarrow 0} \int_E (\Phi(s_m) \circ x_n) d\mu = 0 \text{ uniformly in } m \text{ and } n,$$

which contradicts (3.8). If (d) (2) were false, then there would exist a sequence x_n converging boundedly to x almost everywhere and a sequence of triples (E'_m, s_m, x_{n_m}) , with $\{E'_m\}$ an expanding family in Σ whose union is T , such that for some fixed $\alpha > 0$, we have:

$$(3.12) \quad \left| \int_{T-E'_m} (\Phi(s_m) \circ x_{n_m}) d\mu \right| > \alpha, \quad m = 1, 2, \dots$$

Again we may assume that $s_m \rightarrow s_0$, so that (3.10) holds. Therefore it follows by Nikodym's corollary to the Vitalli-Hahn-Saks theorem [5, p. 160] that

$$(3.13) \quad \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \int_{T-E'_m} (\Phi(s_m) \circ x_{n_m}) d\mu = 0 \text{ uniformly in } m \text{ and } n,$$

which contradicts (3.12).

For the converse we observe by Theorem 1 that (i_A), (ii_A), and $\mathcal{R}_A \subset C(s)$ all follow directly from (a), (b), and (c). To prove (iii_A) we observe that x_n converging to x boundedly almost everywhere implies by (d) (2) that for each $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a set E_ϵ , with $\mu(E_\epsilon) < \infty$, such that

$$\int_{T-E_\epsilon} (\Phi(s) \circ x_n) d\mu < \epsilon \text{ uniformly in } s \text{ and } n.$$

Now bounded almost everywhere convergence of x_n to x implies that on the set E_ϵ this convergence is almost uniform. Hence by (d) (1) there exists a subset $F_{\epsilon_\mu} \subset E_\epsilon$ such that

$$\left| \int_{F_{\epsilon_\mu}} (\Phi(s) \circ x_n) d\mu \right| < \epsilon \text{ uniformly in } n \text{ and } s$$

while the convergence of x_n to x on $E_\epsilon - F_\epsilon$ is uniform. Thus by (i_A), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.14) \quad |A(x_n)(s) - A(x)(s)| &= \left| \int_{T-E_\epsilon} (\Phi(s) \circ x_n) d\mu - \int_{T-E_\epsilon} (\Phi(s) \circ x) d\mu \right. \\
 &\quad + \int_{F_\epsilon} (\Phi(s) \circ x_n) d\mu - \int_{F_\epsilon} (\Phi(s) \circ x) d\mu \\
 &\quad \left. + \int_{E_\epsilon-F_\epsilon} (\Phi(s) \circ x_n - \Phi(s) \circ x) d\mu \right| \\
 &\leq 4\epsilon + \int_{E_\epsilon-F_\epsilon} |\Phi(s) \circ x_n - \Phi(s) \circ x| d\mu.
 \end{aligned}$$

Then by (ii_A) we have, for sufficiently large n :

$$(3.15) \quad |A(x_n)(s) - A(x)(s)| \leq 5\epsilon \quad \text{uniformly in } s.$$

Since $\epsilon > 0$ was arbitrary, this yields (iii_A).

We now give an analogue for $L^p(T)$, $1 \leq p < \infty$.

THEOREM 4. *With T as in Theorem 1, let A be a transformation on $L^p(T)$ with values in $C(S)$, where S is a compact Hausdorff space. Suppose that A satisfies the conditions*

- (i_A) $A(x + y) = A(x) + A(y)$ when $xy = 0$ a.e.,
- (ii_{A_p}) A is continuous on $L^p(T)$,
- (iii_{A_p}) A is uniformly continuous relative to the L^∞ norm on each bounded subset of $L^\infty(T)$ which is supported by a set of finite measure.

Then there exists a transformation $\Phi: S \rightarrow \text{Car}^p(T)$ such that

$$(3.16) \quad A(x)(s) = \int_T (\Phi(s) \circ x) d\mu.$$

The transformation Φ can be taken to satisfy:

- (a) $\Phi(s) \circ 0 = 0$ a.e. for all $s \in S$,
- in which case $\Phi(s)$ is unique, for each s , up to sets of the form $R \times N$ with N a null set in T . Moreover, Φ has the following additional properties:
- (b_p) the mapping $s \mapsto \Phi(s) \circ x \in L^1(T)$ is weakly continuous for each $x \in L^p(T)$,
 - (c_p) the mapping $x \mapsto \Phi(s) \circ x \in L^1(T)$ is weakly continuous (using the norm topology on $L^p(T)$), uniformly in s ,
 - (d_p) the mapping $x \mapsto \Phi(s) \circ x$ is uniformly continuous (relative to the L^∞ norm), uniformly in s , on each bounded subset of $L^\infty(T)$ which is supported by a set of finite measure.

Conversely, every transformation $\Phi: S \rightarrow \text{Car}^p(T)$ satisfying (a), (b_p), (c_p), and (d_p) determines by means of (3.16) a transformation $A: L^p(T) \rightarrow C(S)$ satisfying (i_A), (ii_{A_p}), and (iii_{A_p}).

Proof. If A satisfies (i_A), (ii_{A_p}), and (iii_{A_p}), then for each fixed $s \in S$ the

functional defined by $F_s(x) = A(x)(s)$ satisfies (i), (ii_p), and (iii_p). Hence by Theorem 2 there exists an element $\Phi(s) \in \text{Car}^p(T)$ satisfying (a) for which the representation

$$F_s(x) = A(x)(s) = \int_T (\Phi(s) \circ x) d\mu$$

holds, and $\Phi(s)$ is unique up to sets of the form $R \times N$. To show that (b_p), (c_p), and (d_p) hold, we proceed as follows. According to (i_A) and (ii_{A_p}), F_s determines for each $x \in L^p(T)$ a μ -continuous measure ν_x by means of

$$(3.17) \quad \nu_x(G) = F_s(x\chi_G) = \int_T (\Phi(s) \circ x\chi_G) d\mu.$$

Using (a) we can rewrite this as follows

$$(3.18) \quad \nu_x(G) = \int_G (\Phi(s) \circ x) d\mu = A(x\chi_G)(s).$$

Thus the variation of the signed measure ν_x is given by

$$(3.19) \quad \begin{aligned} \text{Var}(\nu_x) &= \int_T |\Phi(s) \circ x| d\mu \\ &= \sup_{G \in \Sigma} A(x\chi_G)(s) - \inf_{G' \in \Sigma} A(x\chi_{G'})(s). \end{aligned}$$

We now show that for each x , the right side of equation (3.19) is bounded. Since x is in $L^p(T)$, we deduce by equicontinuity of the indefinite integral of $|x|^p$ that corresponding to each ϵ there is a set $E_\epsilon \in \Sigma$, $\mu(E_\epsilon) < \infty$, such that $\|x\chi_{T-E_\epsilon}\|_p < \epsilon$. We can require without loss of generality that E_ϵ contain at most finitely many atoms, $E_1, \dots, E_{n_\epsilon}$. Moreover, by absolute continuity of the indefinite integral of x there exists a δ such that

$$(3.20) \quad \|x\chi_E\|_p < \epsilon \quad \text{whenever } \mu(E) < \delta.$$

Now by (ii_{A_p}), A is continuous at $0 \in L^p(T)$. Hence on taking ϵ sufficiently small we deduce that

$$(3.21) \quad (*) \quad |A(x\chi_F)(s)| \leq 1 \quad \text{uniformly in } s, \text{ whenever } \mu(F) \leq \delta,$$

$$(**) \quad |A(x\chi_F)(s)| \leq 1 \quad \text{uniformly in } s, \text{ whenever } F \subset T - E_\epsilon.$$

Now for any $G \in \Sigma$ we have, by (i_A),

$$(3.22) \quad \begin{aligned} |A(x\chi_G)(s)| &= \left| A(x\chi_{G \cap (T-E_\epsilon)})(s) + \sum_{i=1}^{n_\epsilon} A(x\chi_{G \cap E_i})(s) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + A(x\chi_{G \cap (E - \cup_{i=1}^{n_\epsilon} E_i)})(s) \right| \\ &\leq 1 + \sum_{i=1}^{n_\epsilon} |A(x\chi_{E_i})(s)| + |A(x\chi_{G \cap (E - \cup_{i=1}^{n_\epsilon} E_i)})(s)|. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, by splitting the non-atomic subset $E_\epsilon - \bigcup_{i=1}^{n_\epsilon} E_i$ into parts of measure less than δ and applying (3.21) (*), we obtain the estimate

$$(3.23) \quad |A(x\chi_{G \cap (E_\epsilon - \bigcup_{i=1}^{n_\epsilon} E_i)})(s)| \leq \frac{\mu(E_\epsilon - \bigcup_{i=1}^{n_\epsilon} E_i)}{\delta} + 1 \leq \frac{\mu(E_\epsilon)}{\delta} + 1.$$

Combining (3.22) and (3.23) we deduce that

$$(3.24) \quad |A(x\chi_G)(s)| \leq 2 + \frac{\mu(E_\epsilon)}{\delta} + \sum_{i=1}^{n_\epsilon} \|A(x\chi_{E_i})\|_\infty \equiv M_x$$

uniformly in s and G .

Therefore by (3.19) it follows that the set

$$(3.25) \quad B_x = \{\Phi(s) \circ x\chi_E \mid E \in \Sigma, s \in S\}$$

is a bounded subset of $L^1(T)$.

Now since A takes $L^p(T)$ into $C(S)$ we have for each $E \in \Sigma$:

$$(3.26) \quad \int_T (\Phi(s) \circ x\chi_E) d\mu = \int_T \chi_E(\Phi(s) \circ x) d\mu = A(x\chi_E)(s)$$

is continuous with respect to s . It then follows by (i_A) that

$$(3.27) \quad \int_T z(\Phi(s) \circ x) d\mu \text{ is in } C(S)$$

for every simple function z . Since the simple functions are dense in $L^\infty(T) = L^1(T)'$ and B_x is a bounded subset of $L^1(T)$, it follows that (3.27) holds for all $z \in L^\infty(T)$, which yields (b_p).

To show that (c_p) holds, let $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ denote a sequence converging to $x = x_0$ in $L^p(T)$. Then the indefinite p th power integrals of the $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 0}$ are uniformly absolutely continuous and equicontinuous with respect to μ . Hence it follows by the technique used in deriving (3.24) that

$$B_{\{x_n\}} = \{\Phi(s) \circ x_n\chi_E \mid E \in \Sigma, s \in S, n \geq 0\}$$

is a bounded subset of $L^1(T)$.

Now for each $E \in \Sigma$, $x_n\chi_E$ converges to $x \in \chi_E$ in $L^p(T)$ and hence by (ii_{A_p}) we have

$$(3.28) \quad \int_T (\Phi(s) \circ x_n\chi_E) d\mu = \int_T \chi_E(\Phi(s) \circ x_n) d\mu \rightarrow \int_T \chi_E(\Phi(s) \circ x) d\mu$$

uniformly in s .

It then follows by (i_A) that

$$(3.29) \quad \int_T z(\Phi(s) \circ x_n) d\mu \rightarrow \int_T z(\Phi(s) \circ x) d\mu \text{ uniformly in } s,$$

for every simple function z . Since the simple functions are dense in $L^\infty(T) = L^1(T)'$ and $B_{\{x_n\}}$ is a bounded subset of $L^1(T)$, it follows that (3.29) holds for all $z \in L^\infty(T)$, which yields (c_p). Finally, the transformation

$A_1 = A|L^\infty(E)$, for any E such that $\mu(E) < \infty$, satisfies (i_A), (ii_A), and (iii_A) of Theorem 3, the last following from (ii_{A_p}) by virtue of the Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem. Therefore (d_p) is a consequence of Theorem 3.

The converse is immediate.

Remark. Theorems 3 and 4 are well known in the linear case [5, p. 490].

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