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TRANSFORMATIONS OF SETS IN TOPOLOGICAL GROUP

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Abstract. In this paper, along with some new results, we prove generalisations of some of the results proved in [4] in a topological group. Steinhaus' theorem on distance sets has been generalised by many mathematicians in various directions. We prove further generalisations of Steinhaus' theorem in a topological group.

1 Introduction

Let X be a locally compact Hausdorff topological group and S be the σ -ring generated by all compact subsets of X . Let m be a regular Haar (left) measure on S . In the sequel, we shall assume also that X is compact, because in that case when we restrict our considerations to Baire sets only, the left Haar measure coincides with the right Haar measure [p 262, [2]]. We shall need this fact very often. If E be any subset of X , then the outer measure, $m^*(E)$ of E is defined by

$$m^*(E) = \inf \{m(F) : E \subset F \in S\}.$$

In Section 4 we prove some lemmas which are vital in the proof of some of the subsequent theorems. Section 5 contains some convergence theorems which are motivated by and include as particular cases some convergence theorems proved in [4]. In Sections 6 and 7 we prove that certain sets in X and in the product space $X \times X$ are open. These are motivated by a basic result, proved in [4], that if F is a compact set of positive measure, then the set of points $a \in X$ for which $m[F \cap aF] > 0$ forms an open set. To prove theorems in these sections we need the equivalence of sequential continuity and continuity in a topological space. For this, we further assume that X is first countable. Equivalence under this assumption is known [p 131, [5]]. In one of the lemmas, we prove the equivalence in the product space $X \times X$, which we need to prove some theorems.

If F is a set of real numbers which is closed and is of positive measure (Lebesgue), then a fundamental theorem of Steinhaus [7] tells that the distance set of F fills up an interval. This theorem has been generalised, by Kestelman [3]

in an n -dimensional Euclidean space and by one of the authors [4], to a topological group. Also, Ray [6] generalised the theorem of Kestelman by considering more than one set in an n -dimensional Euclidean space. In Section 8, we obtain further generalisations of Steinhaus theorem in a topological group. In one of the generalisations, we require the notion of density of sets as introduced in [4] in a topological group and also the density theorem {Theorem 5.1, [4]}. The proof of density theorem, however, needs Vitali theorem for invariant measures which has been proved in [1].

2 Known definitions

Definition 1 [1]. Let $\{S_n\}$ be a sequence of compact subsets of X . The sequence $\{S_n\}$ is said to be a sequence of demi-spheres if

$$(i) \quad \lim m(S_n) = 0$$

and for some $\alpha > 0$ and each positive integer n ,

$$(ii) \quad S_{n+1}^{-1} S_{n+1} \subset S_n,$$

$$(iii) \quad m(S_{n+1}) > \alpha \cdot m(S_n).$$

An example of a demi-sphere may be seen in {Ex. 4.2 [i]}. As a consequence, it follows that $m(S_n) > 0$ for $n > 1$.

Definition 2 [4]. Let E be a subset of X and $x \in X$. The upper outer density of E at x , denoted by $\bar{D}^*(E, x)$, and the lower outer density of E at x , denoted by $\underline{D}^*(E, x)$, are defined as follows:

suppose that $\{S_n\}$ is a sequence of demi-spheres, then

$$\bar{D}^*(E, x) = \sup \left\{ \limsup_n \frac{m^*(E \cap g_n S_n)}{m(S_n)} \right\}$$

and

$$\underline{D}^*(E, x) = \inf \left\{ \liminf_n \frac{m^*[E \cap g_n S_n]}{m(S_n)} \right\},$$

where the supremum and the infimum are taken over all sequences $\{g_n S_n\}$, $g_n \in X$, $x \in g_n S_n$ for all values of n .

In $\bar{D}^*(E, x) = \underline{D}^*(E, x) = 1$, we say that E has outer density one at x . If $E \in \mathcal{S}$, then x is said to be a density point of E .

Definition 3 [4]. Let $A_r \in \mathcal{S}$, $r = 1, 2, 3, \dots$. If there exists a set $A \in \mathcal{S}$ such that $m[A_r, \Delta A] \rightarrow 0$ as $r \rightarrow \infty$, then the sequence of sets $\{A_r\}$ is said to converge to the set A , and in symbol we write $A_r \rightarrow A$ (where the notation Δ stands for the symmetric difference of sets).

3 Standing conventions and assumptions

(i) $\{S_n\}$ is a fixed sequence of demi-spheres, (ii) if $x \in X$, there exists a sequence $\{g_n\}$, $g_n \in X$ such that $x \in g_n S_n$ for all n , (iii) if $x \in X$ and V is open, $x \in V$ and $x \in g_n S_n$ for all n , then $g_n S_n \subset V$ for all large n , (iv) small and capital letters with or without suffixes denote respectively the elements and sets in X , (V) o denotes the identity element of X .

4 Lemmas

The following lemma is needed in the proof of several theorems.

Lemma 1. Let f be a mapping from the product space $X \times X$ into Y , where Y is a topological space. Then for the function f to be continuous at $(a, b) \in X \times X$, it is necessary that for every sequence $\{(a_n, b_n)\}$ of points in $X \times X$,

$$(a_n, b_n) \rightarrow (a, b)$$

in $X \times X$ implies $f(a_n, b_n) \rightarrow f(a, b)$. This condition is also sufficient.

Proof Necessity. Let N be a neighbourhood of $f(a, b)$ in Y . Since f is continuous at (a, b) , there exists an open set G in $X \times X$ with $(a, b) \in G$ such that $f[G] \subset N$.

Since $(a_n, b_n) \rightarrow (a, b)$, there exists a positive integer n_0 such that for $n > n_0$, $(a_n, b_n) \in G$. Thus for $n > n_0$, $f(a_n, b_n) \in f[G] \subset N$. Consequently, $f(a_n, b_n) \rightarrow f(a, b)$.

Sufficiency. Since X is the first countable, $X \times X$ is also so. There exists therefore a nested local base

$$\mathcal{B}(a, b) = \{B_1, B_2, B_3, \dots\}$$

at the point (a, b) .

If possible, assume that f is not continuous at (a, b) . Then there exists an open set H in Y with $f(a, b) \in H$ such that for every open set G in $X \times X$ containing (a, b) , $f[G]$ is not contained in H . Consequently, $f[B_n]$ is not contained in H for every n . So, for each n , there exists a point $(a_n, b_n) \in B_n$ such that $f(a_n, b_n)$ is not contained in H . Thus $\{f(a_n, b_n)\}$ cannot converge to $f(a, b)$. But we show that $(a_n, b_n) \rightarrow (a, b)$ and then we obtain a contradiction.

Let G be an open set containing (a, b) . Since $\mathcal{B}(a, b)$ is a local base at (a, b) , there exists a positive integer n_0 such that

$$(a, b) \in B_{n_0} \subset G.$$

Since $\mathcal{B}(a, b)$ is nested, $B_n \subset B_{n_0}$ for $n > n_0$. So, $(a_n, b_n) \in B_n \subset B_{n_0} \subset G$ if $n > n_0$. Thus $(a_n, b_n) \rightarrow (a, b)$. So f must be continuous at (a, b) . This proves the lemma.

Note 1. The above lemma can be extended to the product of a finite number of spaces.

Note 2. If the product space $X \times X$ is replaced by the single space and the assumptions are changed accordingly, then also the above lemma remains true [p 131, [5]].

The following lemma is vital in the proof of Theorem 12.

Lemma 2. Let C_1 and C_2 be two compact sets of positive measures. Then the set H of all those points $a \in X$ such that

$$m[C_1 \cap a^{-1}C_2] > 0$$

forms a nonempty open set.

Proof. We first show that H is nonempty. Since m is regular, there are open sets U_1 and U_2 containing C_1 and C_2 respectively such that $m(U_1) < \infty$ and $m(U_2) < \infty$. So by Theorem 5.1 [4] almost all points of C_1 and C_2 are points of densities of the sets C_1 and C_2 respectively. Let α, β be points of densities of the sets C_1 and C_2 respectively. Then corresponding to $\varepsilon = 1/4$, there exist $h_n \in X, g_n \in X$ and a positive integer N such that for $n \geq N$,

$$m[C_1 \cap h_n S_n] > 3/4 m(S_n), \alpha \in h_n S_n$$

and

$$m[C_2 \cap g_n S_n] > 3/4 m(S_n), \beta \in g_n S_n.$$

So, in particular,

$$m[C_1 \cap h_N S_N] > 3/4 m(S_N)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} m[C_2 \cap g_N S_N] > 3/4 m(S_N) &\rightsquigarrow m[h_N^{-1}C_1 \cap S_N] = \\ = m[h_N^{-1}(C_1 \cap h_N S_N)] &= m[C_1 \cap h_N S_N] > 3/4 m(S_N). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$m[g_N^{-1}C_2 \cap S_N] > 3/4 m(S_N).$$

Let

$$Z = S_N \cap h_N^{-1}C_1 \cap g_N^{-1}C_2.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} Z &= S_N - [(S_N - h_N^{-1}C_1) \cup (S_N - g_N^{-1}C_2)]. \\ \rightsquigarrow m(Z) &\geq m(S_N) - m(S_N - h_N^{-1}C_1) - m(S_N - g_N^{-1}C_2) > \\ &> m(S_N) - 1/4 m(S_N) - 1/4 m(S_N) > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since,

$$h_N^{-1} C_1 \cap g_N^{-1} C_2 \supset Z,$$

we get

$$m(h_N^{-1} C_1 \cap g_N^{-1} C_2) \geq m(Z) > 0.$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} m[C_1 \cap (g_N h_N^{-1})^{-1} C_2] &= m[C_1 \cap h_N g_N^{-1} C_2] = \\ &= m[h_N(h_N^{-1} C_1 \cap g_N^{-1} C_2)] = m[h_N^{-1} C_1 \cap g_N^{-1} C_2] > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the element $a = g_N h_N^{-1} \in X$ is such that

$$m(C_1 \cap a^{-1} C_2) > 0.$$

So, H is nonempty.

It now remains to show that H is open. We define a function

$$f: X \rightarrow R,$$

where R is the set of real numbers with the usual topology by

$$f(a) = m(C_1 \cap a^{-1} C_2), \quad a \in X.$$

We show that f is continuous and then the result follows.

Let $a_r \rightarrow a$. Since the mapping

$$g: X \rightarrow X$$

defined by $g(x) = x^{-1}$ for all $x \in X$ is continuous,

$$g(a_r) \rightarrow g(a), \quad \text{i.e. } a_r^{-1} \rightarrow a^{-1}.$$

Since $C_1 \in S$, by lemma 4.2 [4] we get

$$C_1 \cap a_r^{-1} C_2 \rightarrow C_1 \cap a^{-1} C_2.$$

Consequently,

$$m(C_1 \cap a_r^{-1} C_2) \rightarrow m(C_1 \cap a^{-1} C_2),$$

by Lemma 4.1 [4]. So, $f(a_r) \rightarrow f(a)$ and f is continuous by Note 2. This proves the lemma.

The proof of the following lemma is omitted as its technique is similar to Lemma 2 except for long calculations.

Lemma 3. Let C_1 and C_2 be compact sets of positive measures. Let $p > 1$ be an integer. Then the set G of all those points,

$$(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p) \in X \times X \times \dots \times X (p\text{-times})$$

such that

$$m[C_1 \cap a_1^{-1}C_2 \cap a_2^{-1}C_2 \dots \cap a_p^{-1}C_2] > 0,$$

forms a nonempty open set.

5 Convergence theorems

Theorem 1. Let F be a compact Baire set and $a_r, a, b_r, b \in X$. If $a_r \rightarrow a$ and $b_r \rightarrow b$, then

$$a_r F b_r \rightarrow a F b.$$

Proof. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be arbitrary. Since m is regular, there exists an open set U such that $a F b \subset U$ and

$$m(U - a F b) < \varepsilon/3.$$

So, there exists a (symmetric)neighbourhood V of o such that

$$V a F b V \subset U.$$

Since $a_r \rightarrow a$ and $b_r \rightarrow b$ and since $V a$ and $b V$ are open sets containing a and b respectively, there exists a positive integer N such that $a_r \in V a$ and $b_r \in b V$ for $r \geq N$. So, for $r \geq N$, $a_r F b_r \subset U$.

Let

$$Y_r = (a F b) \cap (a_r F b_r), \quad r \geq N.$$

Then

$$Y_r \subset U \quad \text{for } r \geq N \quad \text{and} \quad Y_r = U - [(U - a F b) \cup (U - a_r F b_r)].$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} m(Y_r) &\geq m(U) - m(U - a F b) - m(U - a_r F b_r) > m(U) - \varepsilon/3 - m(U) + \\ &\quad + m(a_r F b_r) = m(a F b) - \varepsilon/3 > m(U) - 2\varepsilon/3 > m(U) - \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$m[U - Y_r] < \varepsilon \quad \text{for } r \geq N,$$

$$\text{i.e. } m[(U - a F b) \cup (U - a_r F b_r)] < \varepsilon, \quad r \geq N.$$

Since

$$a_r F b_r \Delta a F b \subset (U - a F b) \cup (U - a_r F b_r) \quad \text{for } r \geq N,$$

we obtain that

$$m(a, Fb_r, \Delta aFb) < \varepsilon \quad \text{if } r \geq N.$$

So, $a, Fb_r \rightarrow aFb$.

This proves the theorem.

Note 3. A particular case of the above theorem has been proved in Theorem 4.1 of [4] by taking $b_r = 0$ for each r .

Corollary 1. Let F be a compact Baire set and $a_r, a, b_r, b \in X$. If $a_r \rightarrow a$ and $b_r \rightarrow b$, then for $A \in S$

$$a_r Fb_r \cap A \rightarrow aFb \cap A.$$

Proof. By Theorem 1 we have

$$\begin{aligned} m[(a_r Fb_r \cap A) \Delta (aFb \cap A)] &= m[(a_r Fb_r, \Delta aFb) \cap A] \leq \\ &\leq m(a_r Fb_r, \Delta aFb) \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

Corollary 2. Let F be a compact Baire set and A be compact. Let a_r, a, b_r, b and $c_r, c \in X$. If $a_r \rightarrow a, b_r \rightarrow b$ and $c_r \rightarrow c$, then

$$(a_r Fb_r) \cap c_r A \rightarrow (aFb) \cap cA.$$

Proof. By Theorem 1, $a_r Fb_r \rightarrow aFb$.

Also, $c_r A \rightarrow cA$, by Theorem 4.1 [4].

So, $(a_r Fb_r) \cap c_r A \rightarrow (aFb) \cap cA$, by Lemma 4.4[4].

Corollary 3. Let F be a compact Baire set and $a_r, a, b_r, b \in X$. If $a_r \rightarrow a$ and $b_r \rightarrow b$, and U is an open set containing $aFb, a_r Fb_r, r = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ such that $m(U) < \infty$, then

$$U - a_r Fb_r \rightarrow U - aFb.$$

Proof. We have

$$[(U - a_r Fb_r) - (U - aFb)] \cup [(U - aFb) - (U - a_r Fb_r)] = (a_r Fb_r, \Delta aFb)$$

and so the Corollary follows from Theorem 1.

Corollary 4. Let F be a compact Baire set and $b_r, b \in X$. If $b_r \rightarrow b$, then $Fb_r \rightarrow Fb$.

Proof. In Theorem 1, assume $a_r = e$ for all r .

Corollary 5. Let F be a compact Baire set and $a_r, a \in X$. If $a_r \rightarrow a$, then for $A \in S$

$$Fa_r \cap A \rightarrow Fa \cap A.$$

Proof. By Corollary 4 we have

$$m[(Fa_r \cap A) \Delta (Fa \cap A)] = m[(Fa_r, \Delta Fa) \cap A] \leq m[Fa_r, \Delta Fa] \rightarrow 0$$

Theorem 2. Suppose that $\{A_r\}$ is a sequence of Baire sets and A is a compact Baire set. Let $a_r, a, b_r, b \in X$. If $a_r \rightarrow a, b_r \rightarrow b$ and $A_r \rightarrow A$, then

$$a_r A_r b_r \rightarrow aAb.$$

Proof. We have

$$a_r A_r b_r - aAb \subset (a_r A_r b_r - a_r A b_r) \cup (a_r A b_r - aAb)$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} m(a_r A_r b_r - aAb) &\leq m(a_r A_r b_r - a_r A b_r) + m(a_r A b_r - aAb) = \\ &= m[a_r(A_r - A)b_r] + m(a_r A b_r - aAb) = m(A_r - A) + m(a_r A b_r - aAb) \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

as $r \rightarrow \infty$ by Theorem 1 and because $A_r \rightarrow A$.

Similarly, $m(aAb - a_r A_r b_r) \rightarrow 0$ as $r \rightarrow \infty$.

We now conclude that

$$a_r A_r b_r \rightarrow aAb.$$

This proves the theorem.

Note 4. In Theorem 4.2 of [4], a particular case of the above theorem has been obtained by taking $b_r = e$ for each r .

6 Certain open sets in X

If F is a closed set of Lebesgue positive measure in the n -dimensional Euclidean space E^n then it is known [3] that the set of all translates of F those intersect F in a set of positive measure is a nonvoid open set containing the origin. In fact this is a generalisation of Steinhaus theorem [7]. Guided by this fact, in this section and in the following section we prove that certain sets in X and in the product space $X \times X$ are open where our basic sets are compact Baire sets of positive measures.

Theorem 3. Let F be a compact Baire set of positive measure. Then the set of all those points $a \in X$ such that

$$m(aF \cap Fa) > 0$$

forms a nonempty open set containing e .

Proof. We define a function

$$\Phi: X \rightarrow R,$$

where R is the set of real numbers with the usual topology by

$$\Phi(a) = m(aF \cap Fa), \quad a \in X.$$

We show that Φ is continuous and then the proof follows.

Let $a_r \rightarrow a$. Then, $a_r F \rightarrow aF$ and $F a_r \rightarrow Fa$, by Theorem 4.1 [4] and Corollary 4. So,

$$a_r F \cap F a_r \rightarrow aF \cap Fa$$

by Lemma 4.4 [4].

Consequently, $m(a_r F \cap F a_r) \rightarrow m(aF \cap Fa)$, by Lemma 4.1 [4], i.e. $\Phi(a_r) \rightarrow \Phi(a)$. The proof is now complete with the help of Note 2.

The proofs of the following theorems are omitted as these can be constructed by a method similar to Theorem 3.

Theorem 4. Let F be a compact Baire set of positive measure. Then the set of all those points $a \in X$ for which

$$m(F \cap aFa) > 0,$$

forms a nonempty open set containing e .

Theorem 5. Let F be a compact Baire set of positive measure. Then the set of all those points $a \in X$ for which

$$m(F \cap Fa) > 0 \quad \text{or} \quad m(F \cap aF) > 0$$

forms a nonempty open set containing e .

Note 5. The case $m(F \cap aF) > 0$ has been considered in Theorem 4.3 [4].

7 Certain open sets in $X \times X$

Theorem 6. Let F be a compact set of positive measure. Then the set of all those points $(a, b) \in X \times X$ for which

$$m(aF \cap bF) > 0$$

forms a nonempty open set containing the point (e, e) .

Proof. We define a function

$$\psi: X \times X \rightarrow R,$$

where R is the set of all real numbers with the usual topology, by

$$\psi(a, b) = m(aF \cap bF), \quad (a, b) \in X \times X.$$

We show that ψ is continuous. Let $(a_r, b_r) \rightarrow (a, b)$. Then $a_r \rightarrow a$ and $b_r \rightarrow b$. So, $a_r F \rightarrow aF$ and $b_r F \rightarrow bF$, by Theorem 4.1 [4]. By Lemma 4.4 [4] $a_r F \cap b_r F \rightarrow aF \cap bF$.

Consequently, $m(a_r F \cap b_r F) \rightarrow m(aF \cap bF)$, by Lemma 4.1 [4].

So, $\psi(a_r, b_r) \rightarrow \psi(a, b)$.

Continuity of ψ now follows from Lemma 1 and hence the proof.

Note 6. The above theorem generalises Theorem 4.3 [4] to product spaces.

Theorem 7. Let C_1 and C_2 be two compact Baire sets of positive measures. Then the set of all those points $(a, b) \in X \times X$ for which

$$m(aC_1b \cap bC_2a) > 0$$

forms an open set in $X \times X$.

Proof. We define a function

$h: X \times X \rightarrow R$, where R is the set of all real numbers with the usual topology, by

$h(a, b) = m(aC_1b \cap bC_2a)$ for all $(a, b) \in X \times X$ and prove its continuity as in Theorem 6, from which the result follows.

Theorem 8. Let C_1 and C_2 be two compact sets of positive measures. Then the set of all those points $(a, b) \in X \times X$ for which

$$m(aC_1 \cap bC_2) > 0$$

forms an open set in $X \times X$.

Proof. We define a function

$$\chi: X \times X \rightarrow R,$$

where R is the set of real numbers with the usual topology, by

$\chi(a, b) = m(aC_1 \cap bC_2)$, $(a, b) \in X \times X$, and prove its continuity as in Theorem 6. The proof follows from the continuity property.

We mention the following theorems without proof.

Theorem 9. Let F be a compact Baire set of positive measure. Then the set of all those points $(a, b) \in X \times X$ for which $m(F \cap aFb) > 0$ forms a nonempty open set containing (e, e) .

Theorem 10. Let F be a compact Baire set of positive measure. Then the set of all those points $(a, b) \in X \times X$ for which

$$m(aFb \cap bFa) > 0$$

forms a nonempty open set containing (e, e) .

8 Generalisation of Steinhaus' Theorem in topological group

Theorem 11. Let C be a compact Baire set of positive measure. Let p be any positive integer and λ be any number such that $0 < \lambda < m(C)$. There exists a neighbourhood V of e such that if $\xi_r \in V$, $\eta_r \in V$, $r = 1, 2, \dots, p$ and $\lambda \in V$, then the set Y of all points x such that

$$\lambda x \in C \quad \text{and} \quad \xi_r x \eta_r \in C, \quad r = 1, 2, \dots, p$$

is a compact set of positive measure such that

$$m(Y) > m(C) - \lambda$$

Proof. Let λ be such that $0 < \lambda < m(C)$. Since m is regular, there exists an open set U with $C \subset U$ such that

$$m(U - C) < \frac{\lambda}{p+1}.$$

There exists a symmetric neighbourhood V of e such that

$$VCV \subset U.$$

Let $\xi_r \in V$, $\eta_r \in V$, $r = 1, 2, \dots, p$ and let also $\lambda \in V$.

Let $Y = (\lambda^{-1}C) \cap (\xi_1^{-1}C\eta_1^{-1}) \cap \dots \cap (\xi_p^{-1}C\eta_p^{-1})$.

Then Y is compact and if $x \in Y$, then

$$x \in \lambda^{-1}C \quad \text{and} \quad x \in \xi_r^{-1}C\eta_r^{-1} \quad r = 1, 2, \dots, p,$$

i.e. $\lambda x \in C$, and $\xi_r x \eta_r \in C$, $r = 1, 2, \dots, p$.

So, Y is the set of points as desired in the theorem. The proof will, therefore, be completed if we show that $m(Y) > m(C) - \lambda$.

Now

$$Y = U - \left[(U - \lambda^{-1}C) \cup \left\{ \bigcup_{r=1}^p (U - \xi_r^{-1}C\eta_r^{-1}) \right\} \right]$$

$$\hookrightarrow m(Y) \geq m(U) - m(U - \lambda^{-1}C) - \sum_{r=1}^p m(U - \xi_r^{-1}C\eta_r^{-1}).$$

Since $\lambda^{-1}C \subset U$ and $\xi_r^{-1}C\eta_r^{-1} \subset U$, $r = 1, 2, \dots, p$, we have

$$m(U - \lambda^{-1}C) = m(U - C)$$

and $m(U - \xi_r^{-1}C\eta_r^{-1}) = m(U - C)$.

$$\hookrightarrow m(Y) > m(U) - \frac{\lambda}{p+1} - p \cdot \frac{\lambda}{p+1} = m(U) - \lambda \geq m(C) - \lambda.$$

Note 7. The above theorem coincides with Theorem 6.1 of [4] if $\eta_r = e$ and $\lambda = e$, where of course it is only shown that Y is of positive measure. We, however, show that the measure of the set Y may be made arbitrarily near to the measure of the set C .

The following theorems are generalisations of Steinhaus Theorem to more than one set.

Theorem 12. Let C_1 and C_2 be two compact sets of positive measures. Then there exists a nonempty open set G such that if $a \in G$, then the set of all those points x such that

$$x \in C_1 \quad \text{and} \quad ax \in C_2$$

forms a compact set of positive measure.

Proof. Let $G = \{\xi: \xi \in X \text{ and } m(C_1 \cap \xi^{-1}C_2) > 0\}$. By Lemma 2, G is a nonempty open set. Let $a \in G$ and $A = C_1 \cap a^{-1}C_2$, then $m(A) > 0$ and A is compact. If $x \in A$, then $x \in C_1$ and $ax \in C_2$. This proves the theorem.

The above theorem can easily be generalised to the following one whose proof is omitted.

Theorem 13. Let C_1 and C_2 be two compact sets of positive measures and p be any positive integer. Then there exists a nonempty open set G such that if $\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_p \in G$, then the set of all those points x such that

$$x \in C_1 \quad \text{and} \quad \xi_r x \in C_2, \quad r = 1, 2, \dots, p$$

forms a compact set of positive measure.

Theorem 14. Let $A, A_1, A_2, \dots, A_{m-1}$ ($m > 1$) be compact sets of positive measures. Then there exist open sets G_1, G_2, \dots, G_{m-1} such that if $\xi_r \in G_r$, $r = 1, 2, \dots, m-1$, then the set of points x such that

$$x \in A \quad \text{and} \quad \xi_r x \in A_r \quad (r = 1, 2, \dots, m-1)$$

is a compact set of positive measure.

Proof. Let $Y = X \times X \times \dots \times X$ ($m-1$ times). We define a function

$$f: Y \rightarrow R,$$

where R is the set of real numbers with the usual topology, by

$$f(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{m-1}) = m[A \cap a_1^{-1}A_1 \cap \dots \cap a_{m-1}^{-1}A_{m-1}]$$

for all $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{m-1}) \in Y$.

We show that f is continuous and then it will follow that the set H of all those points $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{m-1}) \in Y$ for which

$$m[A \cap a_1^{-1}A_1 \cap \dots \cap a_{m-1}^{-1}A_{m-1}] > 0$$

forms an open set in Y .

Let $(a_1^{(r)}, a_2^{(r)}, \dots, a_{m-1}^{(r)}) \rightarrow (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{m-1})$. Then, $a_i^{(r)} \rightarrow a_i$, $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, m-1$.

Since the mapping

$$g: X \rightarrow X$$

given by $g(x) = x^{-1}$ for all $x \in X$ is continuous, it follows that

$$a_i^{(r)-1} \rightarrow a_i^{-1}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m-1.$$

So, by Theorem 4.1 [4], Lemma 4.2 [4] and Lemma 4.4 [4], we get

$$A \cap a_1^{(r)-1} A_1 \cap \dots \cap a_{m-1}^{(r)-1} A_{m-1} \rightarrow A \cap a_1^{-1} A_1 \cap \dots \cap a_{m-1}^{-1} A_{m-1}.$$

Consequently, by Lemma 4.1 [4]

$$m(A \cap a_1^{(r)-1} A_1 \cap \dots \cap a_{m-1}^{(r)-1} A_{m-1}) \rightarrow m(A \cap a_1^{-1} A_1 \cap \dots \cap a_{m-1}^{-1} A_{m-1}),$$

i.e. $f(a_1^{(r)}, a_2^{(r)}, \dots, a_{m-1}^{(r)}) \rightarrow f(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{m-1})$.

So, f is continuous because of Note 1.

We now show that H is nonempty. Since m is regular, there are open sets $U, U_1, U_2, \dots, U_{m-1}$ containing $A, A_1, A_2, \dots, A_{m-1}$ respectively such that $i_1(U) < \infty$ and $m(U_i) < \infty, i = 1, 2, \dots, m-1$. So, by Theorem 5.1 [4] almost all points of $A, A_1, A_2, \dots, A_{m-1}$ are points of densities of the respective sets. Let $\alpha, \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_{m-1}$ be points of densities of $A, A_1, A_2, \dots, A_{m-1}$ respectively. Then there exist $g_n \in X, h_n^{(1)} \in X, h_n^{(2)} \in X, \dots, h_n^{(m-1)} \in X$, and a positive integer N such that

$$m[A \cap g_n S_N] > (1 - 1/4m)m(S_N)$$

and

$$m[A_i \cap h_n^{(i)} S_N] > (1 - 1/4m)m(S_N), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m-1,$$

where

$$\alpha \in g_n S_n \quad \text{and} \quad \beta_i \in h_n^{(i)} S_n, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m-1; n = 1, 2, \dots$$

So,

$$m[g_N^{-1} A \cap S_N] = m[g_N^{-1} (A \cap g_N S_N)] = m[A \cap g_N S_N] > (1 - 1/4m)m(S_N).$$

Similarly,

$$m[h_N^{(i)-1} A_i \cap S_N] > (1 - 1/4m)m(S_N), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m-1.$$

Let $Z = S_N \cap g_N^{-1} A \cap h_N^{(1)-1} A_1 \cap \dots \cap h_N^{(m-1)-1} A_{m-1}$.

Then

$$Z = S_N - [(S_N - g_N^{-1} A) \cup (S_N - h_N^{(1)-1} A_1) \cup \dots \cup (S_N - h_N^{(m-1)-1} A_{m-1})].$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} m(Z) &\geq m(S_N) - m(S_N - g_N^{-1} A) - \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} m(S_N - h_N^{(i)-1} A_i) > \\ &> m(S_N) - m \cdot \frac{1}{4m} m(S_N) > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$g_N^{-1} A \cap h_N^{(1)-1} A_1 \cap \dots \cap h_N^{(m-1)-1} A_{m-1} \supset Z,$$

we get

$$m(g_N^{-1}A \cap h_N^{(0)-1}A_1 \cap \dots \cap h_N^{(m-1)-1}A_{m-1}) \geq m(Z) > 0.$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} m[A \cap (h_N^{(0)}g_N^{-1})^{-1}A_1 \cap \dots \cap (h_N^{(m-1)}g_N^{-1})^{-1}A_{m-1}] &= \\ = m[A \cap g_N h_N^{(0)-1}A_1 \cap \dots \cap g_N h_N^{(m-1)-1}A_{m-1}] &= \\ = m[g_N(g_N^{-1}A \cap h_N^{(0)-1}A_1 \cap \dots \cap h_N^{(m-1)-1}A_{m-1})] &= \\ = m[g_N^{-1}A \cap h_N^{(0)-1}A_1 \cap \dots \cap h_N^{(m-1)-1}A_{m-1}] &> 0. \end{aligned}$$

Let $a_i = h_N^{(i)}h_N^{-1}$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, m-1$.

Then the point $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{m-1}) \in Y$ is such that

$$m(A \cap a_1^{-1}A_1 \cap \dots \cap a_{m-1}^{-1}A_{m-1}) > 0.$$

So, $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{m-1}) \in H$. Therefore, H is nonempty and this gives that H is a nonempty open set. Consequently, there exist open sets G_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots, m-1$ such that $a_i \in G_i$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, m-1$ and such that

$$G_1 \times G_2 \times \dots \times G_{m-1} \subset H.$$

Let $\xi_r \in G_r$, $r = 1, 2, \dots, m-1$, then

$$(\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_{m-1}) \in H.$$

Let $L = A \cap \xi_1^{-1}A_1 \cap \dots \cap \xi_{m-1}^{-1}A_{m-1}$.

Then L is compact. Also, if $x \in L$, then $x \in A$ and $x \in \xi_r^{-1}A_r$, $r = 1, 2, \dots, m-1$, i.e. $x \in A$ and $\xi_r x \in A_r$, $r = 1, 2, \dots, m-1$. Since $(\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_{m-1}) \in H$,

$$m(A \cap \xi_1^{-1}A_1 \cap \dots \cap \xi_{m-1}^{-1}A_{m-1}) > 0,$$

i.e. $m(L) > 0$.

This proves the theorem.

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TRANSFORMATIONS OF SETS IN TOPOLOGICAL GROUP

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V práci sú študované niektoré možnosti zovšeobecnenia známej Steinhausovej vety. Tieto otázky sa tu skúmajú pomocou istých transformácií množín v topologických grupách. Získané výsledky sú vlastne zovšeobecnením výsledkov práce [4].

РЕЗЮМЕ

ТРАНСФОРМАЦИИ ОФ МНОЖЕСТВ ИН ТОПОЛОГИЧЕСКИХ ГРУПП

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В этой работе исследуются некоторые возможности обобщения знакомой теоремы тайнхауса. Эти вопросы здесь рассматриваются при помощи некоторых трансформации множеств в топологических группах. Полученные результаты являются обобщениями результатов работы [4].

