

## SELECTION THEOREMS AND INVARIANCE OF BOREL POINTCLASSES

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ABSTRACT. We generalize some known selection theorems and give simple proofs of results on the invariance of Borel pointclasses obtained by Saint-Raymond, Jayne and Rogers, and Kunen and Miller.

**1. Introduction.** In [9], Saint-Raymond proved the following selection theorem.

**THEOREM 1.1.** *Suppose  $X$  and  $Y$  are compact metrizable spaces and  $Z$  is a second countable metrizable space. If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is a continuous surjection and  $p: X \rightarrow Z$  is a Borel measurable function of class  $\alpha$ , then there is a class 1 map  $s: Y \rightarrow X$  such that  $p \circ s$  is of class  $\alpha$  and  $f(s(y)) = y$  for all  $y$ .*

Jayne and Rogers [3, 4] have made a detailed study of this result and have extended it to the nonseparable case for continuous as well as for class 1 maps. Here we extend the result of Saint-Raymond in the more general set-up of Kuratowski and Ryll-Nardzewski [7] and Debs [1]. Our proof is simpler than those of Saint-Raymond, Jayne and Rogers.

As an application Saint-Raymond, Jayne and Rogers gave results on the complexity of preimages of Borel sets. For the sake of completeness we indicate these applications in our paper.

**2. Notation and preliminaries.** Throughout  $T$  will denote an arbitrary set,  $\mathfrak{A}$  a family of subsets of  $T$ , and  $X, Y, Z$  second countable metrizable spaces. A second countable, completely metrizable space is called a *Polish space*. Given  $\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{A}_\sigma (\mathfrak{A}_\delta)$  will denote the family of unions (intersections) of a sequence of sets in  $\mathfrak{A}$ .

A *multifunction*  $F: T \rightarrow X$  is a map defined on  $T$  whose values are nonempty subsets of  $X$ . For  $E \subseteq X$ ,

$$F^{-1}(E) = \{t \in T: F(t) \cap E \neq \emptyset\}.$$

We say that  $F$  is  $\mathfrak{A}$ -*measurable* (*strongly  $\mathfrak{A}$ -measurable*) if  $F^{-1}(E) \in \mathfrak{A}$  for every open (closed) set  $E$  in  $X$ . In particular, a point map  $f: T \rightarrow X$  is  $\mathfrak{A}$ -measurable if  $f^{-1}(E) \in \mathfrak{A}$  for every open subset  $E$  of  $X$ . A function  $s: T \rightarrow X$  is called a *selector* for  $F$  if  $s(t) \in F(t)$  for every  $t \in T$ . The set

$$\{(t, x) \in T \times X: x \in F(t)\}$$

is called the *graph* of  $F$  and is denoted by  $\text{Graph}(F)$ . If  $T$  is a topological space then  $F: T \rightarrow X$  is called *lower semicontinuous* (*upper semicontinuous*) if  $F^{-1}(A)$  is open (closed) for every open (closed) set  $A$  in  $X$ .

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For notation and terminology in descriptive set theory we follow Kuratowski [6]. The set of natural numbers will be denoted by  $\omega$ . Further,  $\omega^{<\omega} = \bigcup_{k \in \omega} \omega^k$ . We shall use  $e$  to denote the empty sequence. A map  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is called an *open (closed) map* if  $f(X) = Y$  and the image of every open (closed) set in  $X$  is open (closed) in  $Y$ . For  $A \subseteq X$ ,  $\text{cl}(A)$  will denote the closure of  $A$  in  $X$ .

**3. Main results.** From now on,  $\mathcal{L}$  is a field of subsets of  $T, X$  and  $Y$  are Polish spaces and  $Z$  is a second countable metrizable space.

**THEOREM 3.1.** *If  $F: T \rightarrow X$  is a closed valued, strongly  $\mathcal{L}_\sigma$ -measurable multifunction and  $g: X \rightarrow Z$  is a class 1 map, then there is an  $\mathcal{L}_\sigma$ -measurable selector  $s: T \rightarrow X$  for  $F$  such that  $g \circ s$  is also  $\mathcal{L}_\sigma$ -measurable.*

**PROOF.** Fix a complete metric  $d$  on  $X$  compatible with its topology such that  $d\text{-diameter}(X) < 1$ .

*Step 1.* There are systems of subsets  $\{T(s) : s \in \omega^{<\omega}\}$  and  $\{H(s) : s \in \omega^{<\omega}\}$  of  $T$  and  $X$  respectively such that, for every  $s \in \omega^k$  and  $n, m \in \omega$  ( $n \neq m$ ),

(i)  $T(s) \in \mathcal{L}_\sigma, T(e) = T,$

(ii)  $T(sn) \cap T(sm) = \emptyset,$

(iii)  $T(s) = \bigcup_{j \in \omega} T(sj),$

(iv)  $H(s)$  is closed and of  $d$ -diameter  $< 2^{-k},$

(v)  $d'\text{-diameter}(g(H(s))) < 1/2^k$  (where  $d'$  is a fixed metric on  $Z$  compatible with its topology),

(vii) for every  $t \in T(s), F(t) \cap H(s) \neq \emptyset.$

To see that such systems exist we shall proceed inductively. Define  $T(e) = T$  and  $H(e) = X$ . Suppose for every  $s \in \bigcup_{i=0}^k \omega^i, T(s)$  and  $H(s)$  have been defined satisfying (i)–(vii). Fix an  $s \in \omega^k$ . Fix a base  $W_0, W_1, \dots$  for  $Z$  such that  $d'\text{-diameter}(W_i) < 2^{-(k+1)}$  for all  $i$ . Also, fix a base  $V_0, V_1, \dots$  for  $X$  such that, for each  $i, d\text{-diameter}(V_i) < 2^{-(k+1)}$ .

Let  $g^{-1}(W_i) = \bigcup_{j \in \omega} E_{ij}$ , where  $E_{ij}$  are closed in  $X$ . Enumerate  $\{E_{ij} : i \in \omega, j \in \omega\}$  in a single sequence  $F_0, F_1, \dots$ . For  $m, n \in \omega$ , let

$$T'(s)(n, m) = \{t \in T(s) : F(t) \cap H(s) \cap \text{cl}(V_m) \cap F_n \neq \emptyset\}.$$

Since  $F$  is strongly  $\mathcal{L}_\sigma$ -measurable and  $T(s) \in \mathcal{L}_\sigma, T'(s)(n, m) \in \mathcal{L}_\sigma, \forall m, n \in \omega$ . Enumerate  $\{T'(s)(n, m) : m, n \in \omega\}$  in a single sequence  $\{T''(s)(n) : n \in \omega\}$ . By [7] we get pairwise disjoint sets  $T(sn), n \in \omega$ , in  $\mathcal{L}_\sigma$  such that

$$\bigcup_{n \in \omega} T(sn) = \bigcup_{n \in \omega} T''(s)(n)$$

and

$$T(sn) \subseteq T''(s)(n) \quad \text{for all } n.$$

Put

$$H(sn) = H(s) \cap \text{cl}(V_j) \cap F_i$$

whenever  $T(sn) \subseteq T'(s)(i, j)$ . This completes the definition of two systems of sets with required properties.

*Step 2.* We now define the selector  $s$  for  $F$ . Fix  $t \in T$ . There is a unique  $\alpha \in \omega^\omega$  such that  $t \in T(\alpha|k)$  for all  $k$ . By (iv) and (v),  $\bigcap_{k \in \omega} H(\alpha|k)$  is a singleton. We define  $s(t)$  to be the unique point of  $\bigcap_{k \in \omega} H(\alpha|k)$ .

To prove that  $s$  is  $\mathcal{L}_\sigma$ -measurable, fix a closed set  $E \subseteq X$ . Let

$$E_k = \{x \in X : (\exists y \in E)(d(y, x) < 1/2^k)\}, \quad k \in \omega.$$

Also, note that for each  $k$ , the multifunction  $F_k : T \rightarrow X$  defined by

$$F_k(t) = F(t) \cap H(n_0, \dots, n_{k-1}) \quad \text{if } t \in T(n_0, \dots, n_{k-1})$$

is strongly  $\mathcal{L}_\sigma$ -measurable. It is easy to check that

$$s^{-1}(E) = \bigcap_{k \in \omega} \{t \in T : F_k(t) \subseteq E_k\}.$$

Hence,  $s^{-1}(E) \in \mathcal{L}_\delta$ . Thus,  $s$  is  $\mathcal{L}_\sigma$ -measurable.

Now, it only remains to show that  $g \circ s$  is  $\mathcal{L}_\sigma$ -measurable. To see this choose a point  $x(n_0, \dots, n_{k-1}) \in H(n_0, \dots, n_{k-1})$  for each  $(n_0, \dots, n_{k-1})$ . Define  $f_k : T \rightarrow X$  by

$$f_k(t) = x(n_0, n_1, \dots, n_{k-1}) \quad \text{if } t \in T(n_0, \dots, n_{k-1}).$$

It is easy to see that  $g \circ f_k$  is  $\mathcal{L}_\sigma$ -measurable. Further, by (v),  $\{g \circ f_k\}_{k \in \omega}$  converges uniformly to  $g \circ s$ . Hence,  $g \circ s$  is  $\mathcal{L}_\sigma$ -measurable [7]. The proof is complete.

We now extend this theorem for  $G_\delta$ -valued multifunctions.

**THEOREM 3.2.** *Let  $T, X, Z, \mathcal{L}$  and  $g$  be as in the previous theorem. Suppose  $F : T \rightarrow X$  is a strongly  $\mathcal{L}_\sigma$ -measurable multifunction such that*

$$\text{Graph}(F) \in (\mathcal{L} \times \mathcal{U})_{\sigma\delta}$$

where

$$\mathcal{L} \times \mathcal{U} = \{E \times U \subseteq T \times X : E \in \mathcal{L} \text{ and } U \subseteq X \text{ is open}\}.$$

Then there is an  $\mathcal{L}_\sigma$ -measurable selector  $s : T \rightarrow X$  for  $F$  such that  $g \circ s$  is also  $\mathcal{L}_\sigma$ -measurable.

**PROOF.** Set  $\text{Graph}(F) = \bigcap_{k=1}^\infty G_k$ , where  $G_k = \bigcup_{n \in \omega} (E_{nk} \times U_{nk})$ ,  $E_{nk} \in \mathcal{L}$  and  $U_{nk}$  open in  $X$ , for all  $n$  and  $k$ .

A slight modification of the argument in Step 1 of the previous theorem gives us a system of sets  $\{T(s) : s \in \omega^{<\omega}\}$  and  $\{H(s) : s \in \omega^{<\omega}\}$  in  $T$  and  $X$  respectively which satisfy conditions (i)–(vii) and

$$\text{(viii) for every } k \in \omega, \bigcup_{s \in \omega^k} \{T(s) \times H(s)\} \subseteq G_k.$$

Now we follow the arguments of Theorem 3.1 and obtain a selector  $s$  with required properties.

**REMARK.** The set up of Theorem 3.2 is very similar to that of the main theorem in [1].

**4. Selection theorems for lower semicontinuous and upper semicontinuous multifunctions.** As a corollary to Theorem 3.1, we now give several generalizations to the selection theorem of Saint-Raymond. See also [3, 4].

**THEOREM 4.1.** *Let  $X$  be a Polish space and let  $T, Z$  be second countable completely metrizable spaces. Suppose  $g : X \rightarrow Z$  is a Borel measurable function of class  $\alpha$  ( $1 \leq \alpha < \omega_1$ ) and  $F : T \rightarrow X$  is an upper semicontinuous (u.s.c.) closed valued*

*multifunction. Then there is a class 1 selector  $s: T \rightarrow X$  for  $F$  such that  $g \circ s$  is of class  $\alpha$ .*

PROOF. Since every u.s.c. closed valued multifunction admits a class 1 selector, the result is true for  $\alpha > \omega_0$ . To prove the result for finite  $\alpha$ , we proceed by induction.

Suppose  $\alpha = 1$ . Take  $\mathcal{L}$  to be the family of subsets of  $T$  which are simultaneously  $F_\sigma$  and  $G_\delta$  and apply Theorem 3.1.

Assume the result is true for  $\alpha = m$ . If  $g$  is of class  $(m + 1)$  then there is a sequence of class  $m$  function  $g_n: X \rightarrow Z$  which converges pointwise to  $g$ . Define  $h: X \rightarrow Z^\omega$  by

$$h(x) = (g_0(x), g_1(x), \dots), \quad x \in X.$$

By induction hypothesis, we get a class 1 selector  $s: T \rightarrow X$  for  $F$  such that  $h \circ s$  is of class  $m$ . Then  $g \circ s = \lim_n g_n \circ s$ , and hence is of class  $(m + 1)$ .

REMARK. The induction argument above is due to Saint-Raymond.

**THEOREM 4.2.** *The previous theorem is also true when  $F$  is lower semicontinuous (l.s.c.).*

PROOF. We need to prove the result for  $\alpha = 1$  only. By a result of Michael [8] there is a compact valued, u.s.c. multifunction  $H: T \rightarrow X$  such that  $H(t) \subseteq F(t)$  for all  $t$ . We use Theorem 4.1 for  $H$  and  $g$ .

**THEOREM 4.3.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be Polish spaces and let  $Z$  be a second countable metrizable space. If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is a class 1, closed map and  $g: X \rightarrow Z$  of class  $\alpha$ , then there is a class 1 map  $s: Y \rightarrow X$  such that*

- (i)  $f(s(y)) = y$  for all  $y \in Y$ ,
- (ii)  $g \circ s$  is of class  $\alpha$ .

PROOF. As in the case of Theorem 4.1, we need to prove the result for  $\alpha = 1$  only.

*Case  $f$  is continuous.* Consider the multifunction  $F(y) = f^{-1}(y), y \in Y$ . Apply Theorem 4.1 for  $T = Y, F$  and  $g$ .

*Case  $f$  is of class 1.* Let  $\tilde{X}$  be  $\text{graph}(f)$ ,  $\tilde{f}$  the projection  $\pi_Y: \tilde{X} \rightarrow Y$  and  $\tilde{g} = g \circ \pi_X$ . By a result of Jayne and Rogers [4, Lemma 5], the map  $f$  is closed. We now use the previous case, get a class 1 map  $\tilde{s}: Y \rightarrow \tilde{X}$  such that  $\pi_Y(\tilde{s}(y)) = y$  for all  $y$  and  $\tilde{g} \circ \tilde{s}$  is of class 1. Put  $s = \pi_X \circ \tilde{s}$ .

**THEOREM 4.4.** *The previous theorem is true for an open class 1 map  $f$  also.*

PROOF. As in the previous theorem, we can assume  $\alpha = 1$  and  $f$  continuous. By the theorem of Michael, there is an  $X' \subseteq X$  such that  $f(X') = Y$  and the restriction of  $f$  to  $X'$  is perfect (or proper). It follows that  $X'$  is Polish [2]. Now use the previous theorem for  $f: X' \rightarrow Y$  and  $g: X' \rightarrow Z$ .

The idea of using projection to deduce the results for class 1 maps from that in continuous maps is due to Jayne and Rogers. However, we can use Theorem 3.2 to get the results for class 1 closed maps and extend the result of Michael for class 1 open maps.

**5. Invariance of Borel pointclasses.** As an application of our results, we deduce the invariance results for Borel pointclasses (obtained by Saint-Raymond, Jayne and Rogers, and Kunen and Miller [5]).

**THEOREM 5.1.** *Let  $X, Y$  be Polish spaces and let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a class 1 surjection which is either open or closed. If  $E \subseteq Y$  is such that  $f^{-1}(E)$  is a Borel set of multiplicative class  $\alpha$  or of additive class  $\alpha$  then  $E$  is of the same class as that of  $f^{-1}(E)$ .*

**PROOF.** The proof is sufficient to prove the result for multiplicative class  $\alpha$ . So assume  $E \subseteq Y$  and  $f^{-1}(E)$  is of multiplicative class  $\alpha$ . Get a class  $\alpha$  map  $g: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that  $g^{-1}(0) = f^{-1}(E)$ . By our results, there is a class 1 map  $s: Y \rightarrow X$  such that  $g \circ s$  is of class  $\alpha$  and  $f(s(y)) = y$  for all  $y$ . Hence,  $E = (g \circ s)^{-1}(0)$  is of multiplicative class  $\alpha$ .

An examination of the proof shows that the above theorem is also true when  $f$  is a closed map and  $f^{-1}(y)$  is closed in  $X$  for each  $y \in Y$ .

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