

## EXTENSION OF RANDOM CONTRACTIONS

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**ABSTRACT.** Let  $\Omega$  be a measurable space. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be separable Hilbert spaces and let  $D$  be a subset of  $X$ . Then every random contraction  $f: \Omega \times D \rightarrow Y$  can be extended to a random contraction defined on all  $\Omega \times X$ . This statement remains true if  $\Omega$  is a complete measurable space,  $X$  and  $Y$  are separable metric spaces and the pair  $(X, Y)$  has the Kirszbraun intersection property.

**1. Introduction and notions.** Let  $\{X, d_1\}$  and  $\{Y, d_2\}$  be metric spaces and let  $f: D \rightarrow Y$  be a contraction from a nonempty subset  $D$  of  $X$  into  $Y$ , that is,

$$d_2(f(x_1), f(x_2)) \leq d_1(x_1, x_2) \quad (x_1, x_2 \in X).$$

The extension problem for contractions asks under what conditions can one always guarantee the existence of a contraction  $\tilde{f}: X \rightarrow Y$  such that  $\tilde{f}|_D = f$ . This problem has been studied by several authors; for a survey of basic results, see [3 and 8]. In particular, F. Valentine [9] proved that extension is always possible for a given pair  $(X, Y)$  if and only if the following property holds:

**KIRSZBRAUN INTERSECTION PROPERTY.** *For all choices  $x_i \in X$ ,  $y_i \in Y$  and  $r_i > 0$ ,  $i \in J$  ( $J$  an arbitrary index set) such that the intersection of the balls  $S(x_j, r_j)$  in  $X$  is nonempty and  $d_2(y_i, y_j) \leq d_1(x_i, x_j)$ ,  $i, j \in J$ , it follows that the intersection of the balls  $S(y_i, r_i)$  in  $Y$  is also nonempty.*

Here  $S(x, r)$  denotes the closed ball about  $x$  of radius  $r$ . Note that the Kirszbraun property (property (K)) is satisfied if  $X$  and  $Y$  are Hilbert spaces (see [3, 9]). In this paper we are concerned with the extension problem for random contractions.

Let  $\Omega$  be a measurable space with  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  and let  $D$  be a nonempty subset of  $X$ . A map  $f: \Omega \times D \rightarrow Y$  is called a *random contraction* if, for every  $x \in D$ ,  $f(\cdot, x)$  is measurable and, for every  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,  $f(\omega, \cdot)$  is a contraction. Our major results state conditions under which there exists a random contraction  $\tilde{f}: \Omega \times X \rightarrow Y$  such that  $\tilde{f}|_{\Omega \times D} = f$ .

Ideas from the theory of measurable multifunctions play a dominant role in the proofs. Let  $2^X$  denote the family of all nonempty subsets of  $X$ . A map  $\Gamma: \Omega \rightarrow 2^X$  is said to be *measurable* (resp. *weakly measurable*) if for every closed (resp. open) subset  $A$  of  $X$ , the set  $\{\omega \in \Omega: \Gamma(\omega) \cap A \neq \emptyset\}$  belongs to  $\mathcal{A}$ . Note that if  $X$  is a metric space, measurability implies weak measurability. If, in addition,  $X$  is  $\sigma$ -compact, then measurability is equivalent to weak measurability. By a *measurable*

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selection of  $\Gamma$  we mean a measurable function  $\gamma: \Omega \rightarrow X$  such that  $\gamma(\omega) \in \Gamma(\omega)$  for every  $\omega \in \Omega$ .

**2. Results.**

LEMMA 1. *Let  $\Omega$  be a measurable space and let  $X$  be a separable Hilbert space. Let  $f_i: \Omega \rightarrow X$  and  $\rho_i: \Omega \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots$ , be measurable functions such that for every  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,*

$$(1) \quad \Sigma(\omega) = \bigcap_{i \geq 1} S(f_i(\omega)\rho_i(\omega)) \neq \emptyset.$$

*Then the multifunction  $\Gamma: \Omega \rightarrow 2^X$  given by (1) is weakly measurable.*

PROOF. By [1, Theorem III.4.1] the multifunctions  $S(f_i(\cdot), \rho_i(\cdot))$ ,  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , are weakly measurable. Clearly they are also weakly measurable and, in addition, compact valued, with respect to the weak topology of  $X$ . Thus, by virtue of [5, Theorem 4.1]  $\Sigma$  is measurable with respect to the weak topology of  $X$ . Since  $S(x, r)$  is closed in the weak topology, the set  $\{\omega \in \Omega | \Sigma(\omega) \cap S(x, r) \neq \emptyset\}$  belongs to  $\mathcal{A}$  for every  $x \in X$  and  $0 < r < +\infty$ . From this and the fact that every open (in the strong topology) set in  $X$  is a countable union of closed balls (for  $X$  separable) it follows that  $\Sigma$  is weakly measurable with respect to the strong topology of  $X$ .

THEOREM 1. *Let  $\Omega$  be a measurable space. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be separable Hilbert spaces and let  $D$  be a subset of  $X$ . Then every random contraction  $f: \Omega \times D \rightarrow Y$  can be extended to a random contraction defined on all  $\Omega \times X$ .*

PROOF. First we show that  $f$  can be extended to a random contraction  $\tilde{f}: \Omega \times (D \cup \{x_0\}) \rightarrow Y$ , where  $x_0 \in X \setminus D$ . For this, let  $\{a_i\}$  be a dense countable subset of  $D$ . For  $\omega \in \Omega$ , set

$$(2) \quad \Gamma(\omega) = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} S(f(\omega, a_i), |a_i - x_0|).$$

We claim that for every  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,  $\Gamma(\omega) \neq \emptyset$ . Otherwise we would have  $\Gamma(\omega_0) = \emptyset$  for some  $\omega_0 \in \Omega$ . Since  $|f(\omega_0, a_i) - f(\omega_0, a_j)| \leq |a_i - a_j|$  and  $\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} S(a_i, |a_i - x_0|) \neq \emptyset$ , property (K) furnishes the contradiction.

By Lemma 1 the multifunction  $\Gamma$  is weakly measurable and so, by [6], it admits a measurable selection, say  $\gamma$ . It is easy to see that a map  $\tilde{f}: \Omega \times (D \cup \{x_0\}) \rightarrow Y$  given by  $\tilde{f}(\omega, x) = f(\omega, x)$ , if  $(\omega, x) \in \Omega \times D$  and  $\tilde{f}(\omega, x) = \gamma(\omega)$ , if  $(\omega, x) \in \Omega \times \{x_0\}$ , is an admissible extension.

Now let  $A$  be a dense countable subset of  $X \setminus D$ . By induction  $f$  can be extended to a random contraction defined on  $\Omega \times (D \cup A)$ . Since  $D \cup A$  is dense in  $X$ , by a standard argument  $f$  can be extended to a random contraction defined on  $\Omega \times X$ .

COROLLARY 1. *Let  $\Omega, X, Y, D$  be as in Theorem 1, let  $f: \Omega \times D \rightarrow Y$  be such that for every  $x \in D$ ,  $f(\cdot, x)$  is measurable and, for every  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,  $f(\omega, \cdot)$  is Lipschitz with constant  $L(\omega)$ . In addition suppose that  $L$  is a measurable function from  $\Omega$  to  $(0, +\infty)$ . Then  $f$  can be extended to a map  $\tilde{f}: \Omega \times X \rightarrow Y$  such that for every  $x \in X$ ,  $\tilde{f}(\cdot, x)$  is measurable and, for every  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,  $\tilde{f}(\omega, \cdot)$  is Lipschitz with the same constant  $L(\omega)$ .*

**COROLLARY 2.** *Let  $\Omega$  be a measurable space and let  $Y$  be a separable Hilbert space. Let  $f_i, g_i: \Omega \rightarrow Y$  ( $i \in \mathbb{N}$ ) be measurable functions such that  $|g_i(\omega) - g_j(\omega)| \leq |f_i(\omega) - f_j(\omega)|$  for every  $\omega \in \Omega$  and every  $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $f: \Omega \rightarrow Y$  be a measurable function. Then there exists a measurable function  $g: \Omega \rightarrow Y$  such that  $|g_i(\omega) - g(\omega)| \leq |f_i(\omega) - f(\omega)|$  for every  $\omega \in \Omega$  and every  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ .*

**PROOF.** By property (K) and Lemma 1 we conclude that the multifunction  $\Gamma: \Omega \rightarrow 2^Y$  given by  $\Gamma(\omega) = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} S(g_i(\omega), |f_i(\omega) - f(\omega)|)$  is well defined and weakly measurable. Thus it admits a measurable selection, say  $g$ . Clearly  $g$  satisfies the statement of Corollary 2.

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $\Omega$  be a complete measurable space. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be separable metric spaces such that the pair  $(X, Y)$  has the property (K). Let  $D$  be a proper subset of  $X$ . Then every random contraction  $f: \Omega \times D \rightarrow Y$  can be extended to a random contraction defined on all  $\Omega \times X$ .*

**PROOF.** Runs as that of Theorem 1. In the place of the multifunction given by (2) we consider the multifunction  $\Gamma: \Omega \rightarrow 2^X$  given by

$$\Gamma(\omega) = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} S(f(\omega, a_i), d_1(a_i, x_0)).$$

The measurability of  $\Gamma$  follows from [5, Theorem 3.5(iii)].

**COROLLARY 3.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be normed spaces and let  $\Omega$  and  $D$  be as in Theorem 2. Suppose that the pair  $(X, Y)$  has property (K). Let  $f: \Omega \times D \rightarrow Y$  be such that for every  $x \in D$ ,  $f(\cdot, x)$  is measurable and, for every  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,  $f(\omega, \cdot)$  is Lipschitz with constant  $L(\omega)$ . In addition suppose that  $L$  is a measurable function from  $\Omega$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ . Then  $f$  can be extended to a map  $\tilde{f}: \Omega \times X \rightarrow Y$  such that for every  $x \in X$ ,  $\tilde{f}(\cdot, x)$  is measurable and, for every  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,  $\tilde{f}(\omega, \cdot)$  is Lipschitz with the same constant  $L(\omega)$ .*

Adopting the argument of the proof of [8, Theorem 11.3] and using the above results one can obtain the following

**COROLLARY 4.** *Let  $\Omega$  be a complete measurable space. Let  $X$  be a separable Hilbert space and let  $D$  be a subset of  $X$ . Suppose that  $f: \Omega \times D \rightarrow X$  is such that for every  $x \in D$ ,  $f(\cdot, x)$  is measurable and, for every  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,  $f(\omega, \cdot)$  is a Lipschitz-Hölder map of order  $\alpha$ ,  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$  (i.e.  $|f(\omega, x_1) - f(\omega, x_2)| \leq L(\omega)|x_1 - x_2|^\alpha$ ,  $x_1, x_2 \in D$ ). In addition suppose that  $L$  is a measurable function from  $\Omega$  to  $(0, +\infty)$ . Then  $f$  can be extended to a map  $\tilde{f}: \Omega \times X \rightarrow Y$  preserving measurability with respect to the first variable and the Lipschitz-Hölder condition with respect to the second variable with the same constant  $L(\omega)$ .*

**THEOREM 3.** *Let  $\Omega$  be a measurable space. Let  $X$  be a finite-dimensional Hilbert space and let  $D$  be a closed subset of  $X$ . Let  $f: \Omega \times D \rightarrow X$  be a random isometry (i.e. for every  $x \in D$ ,  $f(\cdot, x)$  is measurable and, for every  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,  $f(\omega, \cdot)$  is an isometry). Then  $f$  can be extended to a random isometry defined on  $\Omega \times X$ .*

**PROOF.** Fix  $u \in D$  and set  $\hat{D} = D - u$ . Consider the map  $g: \Omega \times \hat{D} \rightarrow X$  given by  $g(\omega, x) = f(\omega, x + u) - f(\omega, u)$ . Clearly  $g$  is a random isometry. For every  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,  $g(\omega, 0) = 0$ , and so, by [7],  $g(\omega, \cdot)$  is linear. Observe that  $|g(\omega, x)| = |x|$  and

$\langle g(\omega, x), g(\omega, y) \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle, \omega \in \Omega, x, y \in X$ . (Here  $|\cdot|$  stands for the norm and  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  for the inner product.) Let  $V$  be the linear span of  $\widehat{D}$ . Define  $\hat{g}: \Omega \times V \rightarrow X$  by

$$\hat{g} \left( \omega, \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i x_i \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i g(\omega, x_i), \quad x_1, \dots, x_n \in \widehat{D}, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in \mathbf{R}.$$

Observe that  $\hat{g}$  is a random isometry.

Consider the multifunction  $\Gamma: \Omega \rightarrow 2^X$  given by  $\Gamma(\omega) = \hat{g}(\omega, V)$ . By [5, Theorem 6.5]  $\Gamma$  is weakly measurable. Moreover, for every  $\omega \in \Omega, \dim \Gamma(\omega) = \dim V$ . Denote by  $V^\perp$  and  $\Gamma^\perp(\omega)$  the orthogonal complement of  $V$  and  $\Gamma(\omega)$ , respectively. Clearly  $\dim V^\perp = \dim \Gamma^\perp(\omega)$ . Let  $\{\gamma_i: i \in \mathbf{N}\}$  be a measurable representation of  $\Gamma$  (see [1, Theorem III.6]). For  $i \in \mathbf{N}$  consider the multifunction  $\Gamma_i: \Omega \rightarrow 2^X$  given by  $\Gamma_i(\omega) = \{x \in X | \langle \gamma_i(\omega), x \rangle = 0\}$ . Since for any  $y \in X, \text{dist}(y, \Gamma_i(\omega)) = |\langle \gamma_i(\omega), y \rangle| / |\gamma_i(\omega)|$ , it follows from [5, Theorem 3.3] that  $\Gamma_i$  is weakly measurable. From the equality  $\Gamma^\perp(\omega) = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} (\bigcap_{i \geq 1} \Gamma_i(\omega) \cap S(0, n))$  and [5, Theorem 4.1 and Proposition 2.3] it follows that  $\Gamma^\perp$  is measurable.

Let  $\partial S$  denote the boundary of the unit ball  $S$  of  $X$ , and let  $k = \dim V^\perp$ . By [5, Proposition 2.4] the multifunction  $\Gamma^\perp \cap \partial S$  is measurable. Let  $\xi_1: \Omega \rightarrow X$  be a measurable selection of  $\Gamma^\perp \cap \partial S$ . Define  $\Sigma_1: \Omega \rightarrow 2^X$  by  $\Sigma_1(\omega) = \{x \in X | \langle x, \xi_1(\omega) \rangle = 0\}$ . The above argument shows that  $\Sigma_1$  is measurable. By [5, Theorem 4.1] the multifunction  $\Gamma^\perp \cap \Sigma_1 \cap \partial S$  is measurable. Let  $\xi_2$  be a measurable selection of  $\Gamma^\perp \cap \Sigma_1 \cap \partial S$ . By recurrence one can construct functions  $\xi_2, \dots, \xi_k$  such that  $\xi_i (i = 2, \dots, k)$  is a measurable selection of  $\Gamma^\perp \cap \Sigma_1 \cap \dots \cap \Sigma_{i-1} \cap \partial S$ . (Here  $\Sigma_i(\omega) = \{x \in X | \langle x, \xi_i(\omega) \rangle = 0\}$ .) Note that for every fixed  $\omega \in \Omega$ , the vectors  $\xi_1(\omega), \dots, \xi_k(\omega)$  are orthonormal.

Let  $e_1, \dots, e_k$  be an orthonormal base  $V^\perp$ . Clearly the function  $h: \Omega \times \{e_1, \dots, e_k\} \rightarrow X$  given by  $h(\omega, e_i) = \xi_i(\omega)$  is a random isometry. As above,  $h$  can be extended to all  $\Omega \times V^\perp$ . Since for every  $(\omega, x) \in \Omega \times V^\perp, h(\omega, x) \in \Gamma^\perp(\omega)$ , there is a random linear isometry  $\tilde{g}$  of all  $\Omega \times X$  onto  $X$  that extends  $g$  (cf. [4, Theorem 3]). To finish the proof it suffices to observe that the random isometry  $\tilde{f}: \Omega \times X \rightarrow Y$  given by  $\tilde{f}(\omega, x) = \tilde{g}(\omega, x - u) + f(\omega, u)$  is an admissible extension.

REMARK. Theorem 3 fails, even in deterministic case, if  $X$  is supposed to be infinite-dimensional (see [8]).

The next theorem is a random version of Grunbaum's result [2] concerning the properties of monotone sets.

**THEOREM 4.** *Let  $\Omega$  be a measurable space and let  $Y$  be a separable Hilbert space. Let  $f_i, g_i: \Omega \rightarrow Y (i = 1, \dots, n)$  be measurable functions such that*

$$\langle f_i(\omega) - f_j(\omega), g_i(\omega) - g_j(\omega) \rangle \geq 0, \quad \omega \in \Omega, i, j = 1, \dots, n.$$

*Let  $\rho: \Omega \rightarrow (0, +\infty)$  be a measurable function.*

*Then there is a measurable function  $h: \Omega \rightarrow Y$  such that*

$$\langle f_i(\omega) + \rho(\omega)h(\omega), g_i(\omega) - h(\omega) \rangle \geq 0, \quad \omega \in \Omega, i = 1, \dots, n.$$

PROOF. From [2] it follows that for every fixed  $\omega \in \Omega$ , there is a vector  $u \in Y$  (more precisely  $u \in \text{span}\{f_1(\omega), \dots, f_n(\omega), g_1(\omega), \dots, g_n(\omega)\}$ ) such that

$$(3) \quad \langle f_i(\omega) + \rho(\omega)u, g_i(\omega) - u \rangle \geq 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

A simple calculation shows that for every vector  $u$  satisfying (3) we have

$$(4) \quad |u| \leq \sigma(\omega)$$

where  $\sigma(\omega) = (\beta(\omega) + \sqrt{\beta^2(\omega) + 4\alpha(\omega)\rho(\omega)})/2\rho(\omega)$ ,  $\alpha(\omega) = \sup\{|\langle f_i(\omega), g_i(\omega) \rangle| : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ ,  $\beta(\omega) = \sup\{|\rho(\omega)g_i(\omega) - f_i(\omega)| : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . Note that a multifunction  $\Sigma: \Omega \rightarrow 2^Y$  given by  $\Sigma(\omega) = S(0, \sigma(\omega))$  is weakly measurable, for  $\sigma(\cdot)$  being measurable.

For  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  and  $k \in \mathbf{N}$  consider  $\Gamma_i^k: \Omega \rightarrow 2^Y$  given by

$$\Gamma_i^k(\omega) = \text{cl}\{y \in Y \mid \langle f_i(\omega) + \rho(\omega)y, g_i(\omega) - y \rangle > -1/k\}.$$

(Here  $\text{cl}\{\dots\}$  denotes the closure of the set  $\{\dots\}$ .) By virtue of [2 and 5, Theorem 6.2 and Proposition 2.6],  $\Gamma_i^k$  is nonempty valued and weakly measurable. Consider the multifunction  $\Gamma: \Omega \rightarrow 2^Y$  given by

$$\Gamma(\omega) = \Sigma(\omega) \cap \bigcap_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n \\ k \in \mathbf{N}}} \Gamma_i^k(\omega).$$

From [2] and (4) it follows that  $\Gamma$  is nonempty valued. Since  $\Sigma$  and  $\Gamma_i^k$  are weakly measurable with respect to the weak topology of  $Y$  and, in addition,  $\Sigma$  is weakly compact valued, by [5, Theorem 4.1]  $\Gamma$  is measurable with respect to the weak topology of  $Y$ , and so weakly measurable with respect to the strong topology of  $Y$ ,  $Y$  being separable. Let  $h$  be a measurable selection of  $\Gamma$ . It is easy to see that  $h$  satisfies the statement of Theorem 4.

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