## MUTUAL EXISTENCE OF PRODUCT INTEGRALS

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ABSTRACT. Definitions and integrals are of the subdivision-refinement type, and functions are from  $R \times R$  to R, where R represents the real numbers. Let  $OM^{\circ}$  be the class of functions G such that  $_x \prod^{r} (1+G)$  exists for  $a \le x < y \le b$  and  $\int_a^b |1+G-\prod(1+G)| = 0$ . Let  $OP^{\circ}$  be the class of functions G such that  $|\prod_{q=1}^b (1+G_q)|$  is bounded for refinements  $\{x_q\}_{q=0}^n$  of a suitable subdivision of [a, b]. If F and G are functions from  $R \times R$  to R such that  $F \in OP^{\circ}$  on [a, b],  $\lim_{x,y\to p^+} F(x,y)$  and  $\lim_{x,y\to p^+} F(x,y)$  exist and are zero for  $p \in [a,b]$ , each of  $\lim_{x\to p^+} F(p,x)$ ,  $\lim_{x\to p^-} F(x,p)$ ,  $\lim_{x\to p^+} G(p,x)$  and  $\lim_{x\to p^-} G(x,p)$  exist for  $p \in [a,b]$ , and G has bounded variation on [a,b], then any two of the following statements imply the other:  $(1) F+G \in OM^{\circ}$  on [a,b],  $(2) F\in OM^{\circ}$  on [a,b], and  $(3) G\in OM^{\circ}$  on [a,b].

All integrals and definitions are of the subdivision-refinement type, and functions are from  $R \times R$  to R, where R represents the set of real numbers. Furthermore, functions are assumed to be defined only for elements  $\{x, y\}$  of  $R \times R$  such that x < y. If  $D = \{x_q\}_{q=0}^n$  is a subdivision of [a, b], then  $D(I) = \{[x_{q-1}, x_q]\}_{q=1}^n$  and  $G_q = G(x_{q-1}, x_q)$ . Further,  $\{x_{qr}\}_{r=0}^{n(q)}$  represents a subdivision of the interval  $[x_{q-1}, x_q]$  and  $G_{qr} = G(x_{q,r-1}, x_{qr})$ . The statement that  $\int_a^b G$  exists means there exists a number L such that, if  $\varepsilon > 0$ , then there exists a subdivision D of [a, b] such that if J is a refinement of D, then

$$\left|L - \sum_{I(I)} G\right| < \varepsilon.$$

The statement that  $_a \prod^b (1+G)$  exists means there exists a number L such that, if  $\varepsilon > 0$ , then there exists a subdivision D of [a, b] such that if J is a refinement of D, then

$$\left|L - \prod_{I(I)} (1+G)\right| < \varepsilon.$$

Further,  $G \in OA^{\circ}$  on [a, b] only if  $\int_a^b G$  exists and  $\int_a^b |G - \int G| = 0$ , and

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 $G \in OM^{\circ}$  on [a, b] only if  $_{x}\prod^{y}(1+G)$  exists for  $a \le x < y \le b$  and  $\int_{a}^{b} |1+G-\prod (1+G)| = 0$ .

The statements that G is bounded,  $G \in OP^{\circ}$ ,  $G \in OQ^{\circ}$  and  $G \in OB^{\circ}$  on [a, b] mean there exist a subdivision D of [a, b] and positive numbers B and  $\beta$  such that if  $J = \{x_a\}_{a=0}^n$  is a refinement of D, then

- (1) |G(u)| < B for  $u \in J(I)$ ,
- (2)  $\left|\prod_{q=r}^{s} (1+G_q)\right| < B$  for  $1 \le r \le s \le n$ ,
- (3)  $\left|\prod_{q=r}^{s} (1+G_q)\right| > \beta$  for  $1 \le r \le s \le n$ , and
- (4)  $\sum_{J(I)} |G| < B$ ,

respectively.

If G is a function, then  $G \in S_1$  on [a, b] only if  $\lim_{x,y\to p^+} G(x, y)$  and  $\lim_{x,y\to p^+} G(x, y)$  exist and are zero for  $p \in [a, b]$ , and  $G \in S_2$  on [a, b] only if  $\lim_{x\to p^+} G(p, x)$  and  $\lim_{x\to p^+} G(x, p)$  exist for  $p \in [a, b]$ . Further,  $G \in OL^\circ$  on [a, b] only if  $\lim_{x,y\to p^+} G(x, y)$ ,  $\lim_{x,y\to p^-} G(x, y)$ ,  $\lim_{x\to p^+} G(p, x)$  and  $\lim_{x\to p^-} G(x, p)$  exist for  $p \in [a, b]$ . See B. W. Helton [2] and J. S. MacNerney [7] for additional details.

LEMMA 1.1. If F and G are functions from  $R \times R$  to R such that  $F \in OP^{\circ}$  on [a, b] and  $G \in OB^{\circ}$  on [a, b], then  $F+G \in OP^{\circ}$  on [a, b].

Lemma 1.1 is part of a previous result by the author [5, Theorem 1].

LEMMA 1.2. If G is a function from  $R \times R$  to R such that  $\int_a^b G$  exists, then  $G \in OA^{\circ}$  on [a, b].

Lemma 1.2 is due to A. Kolmogoroff [6, p. 669]. The reader is also referred to results by W. D. L. Appling [1, Theorems 1, 2, p. 155] and B. W. Helton [2, Theorem 4.1, p. 304].

LEMMA 1.3. If G is a function from  $R \times R$  to R such that  $G \in OB^{\circ}$  on [a, b], then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1)  $G \in OM^{\circ}$  on [a, b],
- (2)  $G \in OA^{\circ}$  on [a, b], and
- (3)  $\int_a^b G \ exists$ .
- B. W. Helton [2, Theorem 3.4, p. 301] shows that (1) and (2) are equivalent. Further, by Lemma 1.2, (2) and (3) are equivalent.

LEMMA 1.4. If F and G are functions from  $R \times R$  to R such that  $F \in OM^{\circ}$ ,  $OP^{\circ}$  and  $S_1 \cap S_2$  on [a, b] and  $G \in OM^{\circ}$  and  $OB^{\circ}$  on [a, b], then  $F+G \in OM^{\circ}$  on [a, b].

Lemma 1.4 is proved in a previous paper by the author [5, Theorem 2]. In the original version [5, Theorem 2] the theorem is stated with the requirement that  $\int_a^b G$  exist rather than  $G \in OM^{\circ}$  on [a, b]. However, Lemma 1.3 establishes the equivalence of the two forms.

LEMMA 1.5. If E is a finite set of points from [a, b] and F, G and H are functions from  $R \times R$  to R such that

- (1)  $G \in OB^{\circ}$  and  $S_2$  on [a, b],
- (2)  $H \in OP^{\circ}$  and  $S_1 \cap S_2$  on [a, b],
- (3)  $H+G \in OM^{\circ}$  on [a, b], and
- (4)  $F \in S_2$  on [a, b] and if  $a \le x < y \le b$ , then F(x, y) = H(x, y) if  $x \notin E$  and  $y \notin E$ ,

then  $F+G \in OM^{\circ}$  on [a, b].

PROOF. Lemma 1.1 establishes that  $H+G \in OP^{\circ}$  on [a, b]. Further,  $H+G \in S_1 \cap S_2$  on [a, b]. Let H' be the function defined on [a, b] such that if  $a \le x < y \le b$ , then

- (1) H'(x, y)=0 if  $x \notin E$  and  $y \notin E$ , and
- (2) H'(x, y) = F(x, y) H(x, y) if  $x \in E$  or  $y \in E$ .

Thus,  $H' \in OM^{\circ}$  and  $OB^{\circ}$  on [a, b]. Therefore, by Lemma 1.4, H+G+H' is in  $OM^{\circ}$  on [a, b]. Hence, since  $H+G+H' \equiv F+G$  on [a, b],  $F+G \in OM^{\circ}$  on [a, b].

LEMMA 1.6. If G is a bounded function from  $R \times R$  to R such that  ${}_{a} \prod^{b} (1+G)$  exists and is not zero, then  $G \in OP^{\circ}$  and  $OQ^{\circ}$  on [a, b].

Lemma 1.6 is a special case of a previous result by the author [4, Theorem 2].

LEMMA 1.7. If G is a bounded function from  $R \times R$  to R such that  $G \in OM^{\circ}$  on [a, b] and 1+G is bounded away from zero on [a, b], then  $G \in OP^{\circ}$  and  $OO^{\circ}$  on [a, b].

PROOF. Since  $G \in OM^{\circ}$  on [a, b] and 1+G is bounded away from zero on [a, b],  ${}_{a} \prod^{b} (1+G)$  exists and is not zero. Therefore, it follows from Lemma 1.6 that  $G \in OP^{\circ}$  and  $OQ^{\circ}$  on [a, b].

LEMMA 1.8. If G is a function from  $R \times R$  to R such that  $G \in OB^{\circ}$  on [a, b] and 1+G is bounded away from zero on [a, b], then  $G \in OQ^{\circ}$  on [a, b].

Lemma 1.8 is a special case of a previous result by the author [5, Theorem 3].

LEMMA 1.9. If G is a bounded function from  $R \times R$  to R such that  ${}_{a} \prod^{b} (1+G)$  exists and is not zero, then  $G \in OM^{\circ}$  on [a,b].

Lemma 1.9 follows from Lemma 1.6 and a result of B. W. Helton [2, Theorem 4.2, p. 305].

LEMMA 1.10. If G is a function from  $R \times R$  to R such that  $G \in OB^{\circ}$  and  $S_2$  on [a, b] and  $a \cap B \cap B$  and  $a \cap B \cap B$  and  $a \cap B \cap B$  and  $a \cap B \cap B \cap B$  are  $a \cap B \cap B \cap B$ .

**PROOF.** Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Since  $G \in OB^{\circ}$  on [a, b], there exist a subdivision  $D_0$  of [a, b] and a number B > 1 such that if  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^n$  is a refinement of  $D_0$  and  $1 \le r \le s \le n$ , then

$$\left| \prod_{i=r}^{s} \left( 1 + G_i \right) \right| < B.$$

There exists a subdivision  $E = \{w_q\}_{q=0}^t$  of [a, b] such that if  $1 \le q \le t$  and  $w_{q-1} < x < y < w_q$ , then  $|G(x, y)| < \frac{1}{2}$ . Further, there exist sequences  $\{u_q\}_{q=1}^t$  and  $\{v_q\}_{q=1}^t$  such that

- (1)  $w_{q-1} < u_q < v_q < w_q$ ,
- (2) if  $w_{a-1} < x < y \le u_a$ , then

$$|G(w_{g-1}, x) - G(w_{g-1}, y)| < \varepsilon(8t)^{-1},$$

(3) if  $w_{a-1} < x < u_a$  and J is a subdivision of  $[x, u_a]$ , then

$$\sum_{J(I)} |G| < \varepsilon (8B^3t)^{-1},$$

(4) if  $u_a \leq x < y < w_a$ , then

$$|G(x, w_a) - G(y, w_a)| < \varepsilon(8t)^{-1}$$

and

(5) if  $v_q < x < w_q$  and J is a subdivision of  $[v_q, x]$ , then

$$\sum_{J(I)} |G| < \varepsilon (8B^3t)^{-1}.$$

We know from the hypothesis that  $u_q \prod^{v_q} (1+G)$  exists for  $1 \le q \le t$ . Further, it follows from Lemma 1.8 that each of these integrals is nonzero. Thus, Lemma 1.9 implies that  $G \in OM^\circ$  on  $[u_q, v_q]$ . Hence, for  $1 \le q \le t$ , there exists a subdivision  $D_q$  of  $[u_q, v_q]$  such that if  $J = \{x_i\}_{i=0}^n$  is a refinement of  $D_q$  and  $\{x_{ij}\}_{j=0}^{n(i)}$  is a subdivision of  $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$ , then

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left| 1 + G_i - \prod_{i=1}^{n(i)} (1 + G_{ii}) \right| < \varepsilon (8t)^{-1}.$$

Let D denote the subdivision  $\bigcup_{q=0}^t D_q \cup E$  of [a,b]. Suppose  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^n$  is a refinement of D. Let  $\{x_{w(i)}\}_{i=0}^t$  be the subsequence of  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^n$  such that  $x_{w(i)} = w_i$ . Further, let  $\{x_{u(i)}\}_{i=1}^t$  and  $\{x_{v(i)}\}_{i=1}^t$  be the subsequences of  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^n$  such that  $x_{u(i)} = u_i$  and  $x_{v(i)} = v_i$ . Let T(q), U(q) and V(q) denote  $\{i\}_{i=u(q)+1}^{v(q)}$ ,  $\{i\}_{i=w(q-1)+1}^{u(q)}$  and  $\{i\}_{i=v(q)+1}^{w(q)}$ , respectively. Further, let U, V, U'(q) and V'(q) denote  $\{w(i)+1\}_{i=0}^{t-1}$ ,  $\{w(i)\}_{i=1}^t$ ,  $\{i\}_{i=w(q-1)+2}^{u(q)}$  and  $\{i\}_{i=v(q)+1}^{w(q)-1}$ , respectively. Finally, let S(q) and S'(q) represent  $U(q) \cup V(q)$  and  $U'(q) \cup V'(q)$ , respectively.

For  $1 \le i \le n$ , there exists a subdivision  $\{x_{ij}\}_{j=0}^{n(i)}$  of  $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$  such that

$$\left| \prod_{j=1}^{n(i)} (1 + G_{ij}) - \prod_{x_{i-1}} x_i (1 + G) \right| < \varepsilon (8n)^{-1}.$$

Let  $H_i$  represent  $1+G_i-\prod_{j=1}^{n(i)}(1+G_{ij})$ . Thus,

$$\begin{split} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left| 1 + G_{i} - \prod_{x_{i-1} \prod z^{i}} (1+G) \right| &< \sum_{i=1}^{n} |H_{i}| + \left[ \varepsilon(8n)^{-1} \right] n \\ &= \sum_{q=1}^{t} \sum_{i \in S(q)} |H_{i}| + \sum_{q=1}^{t} \sum_{i \in T(q)} |H_{i}| + \frac{\varepsilon}{8} \\ &< \sum_{q=1}^{t} \sum_{i \in S(q)} |H_{i}| + \left[ \varepsilon(8t)^{-1} \right] t + \frac{\varepsilon}{8} \\ &= \sum_{i \in U \cup V} |H_{i}| + \sum_{q=1}^{t} \sum_{i \in S'(q)} |H_{i}| + \frac{\varepsilon}{4} \\ &= \sum_{i \in U \cup V} |H_{i}| \\ &+ \sum_{q=1}^{t} \sum_{i \in S'(q)} \left| \left\{ 1 + G_{i} \right\} - \left\{ 1 + \sum_{j=1}^{n(i)} \left[ \prod_{r=1}^{j-1} (1+G_{ir}) \right] \right. \right. \\ & \left. \left. \left[ G_{ij} \right] \left[ \prod_{s=j+1}^{n(i)} (1+G_{is}) \right] \right) \right| + \frac{\varepsilon}{4} \\ &< \sum_{i \in U \cup V} |H_{i}| + \left[ \varepsilon(8B^{3}t)^{-1} \right] t + B^{2} \left[ \varepsilon(8B^{2}t)^{-1} \right] t + \frac{\varepsilon}{4} \\ &< \sum_{i \in U \cup V} |H_{i}| + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \\ &\leq \sum_{i \in U \cup V} |H_{i}| + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \\ &\leq \sum_{i \in U} |(1+G_{i}) - (1+G_{i1})| + \sum_{i \in U} |1+G_{i1}| \left| -1 + \prod_{j=2}^{n(i)} (1+G_{ij}) \right| \\ &+ \sum_{i \in V} |1+G_{i,n(i)}| \left| -1 + \prod_{j=1}^{n(i)-1} (1+G_{ij}) \right| + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \\ &\leq \sum_{i \in U} |G_{i} - G_{i1}| + B \sum_{i \in U} \left| -1 + \left\{ 1 + \sum_{j=2}^{n(i)} \left[ \prod_{r=2}^{j-1} (1+G_{ir}) \right] \left[ G_{ij} \right] \right. \\ &\left. \left. \left[ \prod_{s=i+1}^{n(i)} (1+G_{is}) \right] \right| \right| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{split} + \sum_{i \in V} |G_i - G_{i,n(i)}| + B \sum_{i \in V} \left| -1 + \left\{ 1 + \sum_{j=1}^{n(i)-1} \left[ \prod_{r=1}^{j-1} (1 + G_{ir}) \right] [G_{ij}] \right. \\ & \cdot \left[ \prod_{s=j+1}^{n(i)-1} (1 + G_{is}) \right] \right\} \left| + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right. \\ < \left[ \varepsilon (8t)^{-1} \right] t + B^3 \sum_{i \in U} \sum_{j=2}^{n(i)} |G_{ij}| \\ & + \left[ \varepsilon (8t)^{-1} \right] t + B^3 \sum_{i \in V} \sum_{j=1}^{n(i)-1} |G_{ij}| + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \\ < B^3 [\varepsilon (8B^3t)^{-1}] t + B^3 [\varepsilon (8B^3t)^{-1}] t + \frac{3\varepsilon}{4} \\ &= \varepsilon. \end{split}$$

Therefore,  $G \in OM^{\circ}$  on [a, b].

Lemma 1.10 is not true if only  $_a \prod^b (1+G)$  is required to exist rather than  $_x \prod^y (1+G)$  for  $a \le x < y \le b$ . For example, consider the function G defined on [0, 1] such that, for  $0 \le x < y \le 1$ ,

- (1) G(0, x) = -1,
- (2) G(x, y) = y x if  $x \neq 0$  and y is irrational, and
- (3) G(x, y) = x y if  $x \neq 0$  and y is rational.

Thus,  $G \in OB^{\circ}$  and  $S_2$  on [a, b] and  $a \prod^b (1+G)$  exists and is zero. However,  $a \prod^y (1+G)$  does not exist for  $a \le x < y \le b$ , and thus,  $G \notin OM^{\circ}$  on [a, b].

LEMMA 1.11. If H and G are functions from  $R \times R$  to R such that  $H \in OL^{\circ}$  on [a, b],  $G \in OB^{\circ}$  on [a, b] and either  $G \in OM^{\circ}$  on [a, b] or  $G \in OA^{\circ}$  on [a, b], then  $HG \in OM^{\circ}$  and  $OA^{\circ}$  on [a, b].

Lemma 1.11 is a modification of a result of B. W. Helton [3, Theorem 2, p. 494] obtained by using Lemma 1.3.

THEOREM 1. If F and G are functions from  $R \times R$  to R such that  $F \in OP^{\circ}$  and  $S_1 \cap S_2$  on [a, b] and  $G \in OB^{\circ}$  and  $S_2$  on [a, b], then any two of the following statements imply the other:

- (1)  $F+G \in OM^{\circ}$  on [a,b],
- (2)  $F \in OM^{\circ}$  on [a, b], and
- (3)  $G \in OM^{\circ}$  on [a, b].

PROOF  $(1, 2\rightarrow 3)$ . There exists a subdivision  $E = \{w_i\}_{i=0}^t$  of [a, b] such that if  $1 \le i \le t$  and  $w_{i-1} < x < y < w_i$ , then  $|F(x, y)| < \frac{1}{2}$ . Let F'(x, y) = F(x, y) if  $x \notin E$  and  $y \notin E$ , and let F'(x, y) = 0 if  $x \in E$  or  $y \in E$ . Thus,  $(1+F')^{-1}$  is in  $OL^{\circ}$  on [a, b]. Further, it follows from Lemma 1.5 that  $F' + G \in OM^{\circ}$  on [a, b] and  $F' \in OM^{\circ}$  on [a, b]. Hence, since  $F' \in OM^{\circ}$  on

[a, b], Lemma 1.7 implies that  $F' \in OQ^{\circ}$  on [a, b]. Also, note that  $G(1+F')^{-1}$  is in  $OB^{\circ}$  and  $OP^{\circ}$  on [a, b].

We now establish that  ${}_x\prod^y [1+G(1+F')^{-1}]$  exists by using the Cauchy criterion for product integrals, where  $a \le x < y \le b$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . There exist a subdivision D of [x, y] and positive numbers B and  $\beta$  such that if J and K are refinements of D, then

- (1)  $|\prod_{J(I)} (1+F')| > \beta$ ,
- (2)  $|\prod_{J(I)} [1+G(1+F')^{-1}]| < B$ ,
- (3)  $|\prod_{J(I)} (1+F') \prod_{K(I)} (1+F')| < \beta \varepsilon (2B)^{-1}$ , and
- (4)  $|\prod_{J(I)} (1+F'+G) \prod_{K(I)} (1+F'+G)| < \beta \varepsilon/2$ .

Suppose J and K are refinements of D. Thus,

$$\frac{\beta \varepsilon}{2} > \left| \prod_{J(I)} (1 + F' + G) - \prod_{K(I)} (1 + F' + G) \right| \\
= \left| \left\{ \prod_{J(I)} (1 + F') \right\} \left\{ \prod_{J(I)} [1 + G(1 + F')^{-1}] \right\} \right| \\
- \left\{ \prod_{K(I)} (1 + F') \right\} \left\{ \prod_{K(I)} [1 + G(1 + F')^{-1}] \right\} \right| \\
\ge \left| \prod_{J(I)} (1 + F') \right| \left| \prod_{J(I)} [1 + G(1 + F')^{-1}] - \prod_{K(I)} [1 + G(1 + F')^{-1}] \right| \\
- \left| \prod_{J(I)} (1 + F') - \prod_{K(I)} (1 + F') \right| \left| \prod_{K(I)} [1 + G(1 + F')^{-1}] \right| \\
> \beta \left| \prod_{J(I)} [1 + G(1 + F')^{-1}] - \prod_{K(I)} [1 + G(1 + F')^{-1}] \right| - [\beta \varepsilon (2B)^{-1}] B,$$

and hence,

$$\varepsilon > \left| \prod_{I(I)} \left[ 1 + G(1+F')^{-1} \right] - \prod_{F(I)} \left[ 1 + G(1+F')^{-1} \right] \right|.$$

Therefore, the desired product integral exists.

Now, since  ${}_{x}\prod^{y}[1+G(1+F')^{-1}]$  exists for  $a \le x < y \le b$  and  $G(1+F')^{-1}$  is in  $OB^{\circ}$  on [a, b], it follows from Lemma 1.10 that  $G(1+F')^{-1}$  is in  $OM^{\circ}$  on [a, b]. Hence, since 1+F' is in  $OL^{\circ}$ , Lemma 1.11 implies that  $G \in OM^{\circ}$  on [a, b].

PROOF  $(2, 3\rightarrow 1)$ . This result is stated as Lemma 1.4 and is proved in a previous paper by the author [5, Theorem 2].

PROOF  $(1, 3 \rightarrow 2)$ . It follows from Lemma 1.1 that  $F+G \in OP^{\circ}$  on [a, b]. Further,  $F+G \in S_1 \cap S_2$  on [a, b], and  $-G \in OB^{\circ}$  and  $OM^{\circ}$  on [a, b]. Therefore, Lemma 1.4 implies that  $F \equiv F+G-G$  is in  $OM^{\circ}$  on [a, b].

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