

## NONSTANDARD CRITERIA FOR BOREL-MEASURABILITY

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### Abstract

Let  $(X, \mathcal{A})$  be a measurable space,  $(Y, \delta)$  be a metric space with Borel- $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a function. If  $(Y, \delta)$  is a  $\sigma$ -compact space, then it is shown that the  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$ -measurability of  $f$  is equivalent to the fact that the standard part of  ${}^*f$  is constant on  $\mathcal{A}$ -monads, a result which is not true any more if we replace “ $\sigma$ -compact” by “locally compact”. We moreover prove nonstandard criteria for special classes of  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$ -measurable functions with values in an arbitrary metric space.

### 1. The results

In this paper we consider a superstructure containing two given sets  $X, Y$  and the set  $\mathbb{R}$  of real numbers, and we work with a polysaturated non-standard model for this superstructure.

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a  $\sigma$ -algebra on  $X$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  be the Borel- $\sigma$ -algebra of a metric space  $(Y, \delta)$ . For  $x_1, x_2 \in {}^*X$  we write  $x_1 \approx_{\mathcal{A}} x_2$  iff for all  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  there holds:  
 $x_1 \in {}^*A \iff x_2 \in {}^*A$ .

According to Ross [5] the following two conditions are equivalent for a function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ :

- (I)  $f$  is  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$ -measurable.
- (II)  $x_1 \approx_{\mathcal{A}} x_2 \implies {}^*f(x_1) \approx_{\mathcal{B}} {}^*f(x_2) \quad (x_1, x_2 \in {}^*X)$ .

As the referee has pointed out this equivalence can also be shown with similar methods as those in the proof of Lemma 6.

In  ${}^*Y$  we have furthermore an equivalence relation  $\approx_{\delta}$  derived from the metric  $\delta$ , namely  $y_1 \approx_{\delta} y_2 \iff {}^*\delta(y_1, y_2) \approx 0$ . If  $Y = \mathbb{R}$  it is known that for bounded  $f$  the  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$ -measurability of  $f$  is furthermore equivalent to

- (III)  $x_1 \approx_{\mathcal{A}} x_2 \implies {}^*f(x_1) \approx_{\delta} {}^*f(x_2) \quad (x_1, x_2 \in {}^*X)$ ,

see Ross [5]. This result can also be derived from Loeb [4], Theorem 1.3, p. 67.

The following Theorem 1 extends this result to metric spaces  $Y$ , and it shows furthermore that condition (III) already implies that  $f(X)$  is totally bounded.

1. THEOREM. For a function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i)  $f$  is  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$ -measurable and  $f(X)$  is totally bounded.
- (ii)  $x_1 \approx_{\mathcal{A}} x_2 \Rightarrow {}^*f(x_1) \approx_{\delta} {}^*f(x_2)$ .

Now we give results which, for the case  $Y = \mathbb{R}^n$ , are nonstandard criteria for the  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$ -measurability of arbitrary not necessarily bounded functions.

Let  $\text{fin}({}^*Y) := \{z \in {}^*Y : {}^*\delta(z, {}^*y) \text{ is finite for all } y \in Y\}$  and  $\text{cpt}({}^*Y) := \cup \{ {}^*C : C \subset Y \text{ compact} \}$ . Let furthermore  $\text{ns}({}^*Y)$  and  $\text{pns}({}^*Y)$  be the systems of nearstandard-points and prenearstandard-points of  ${}^*Y$ .

2. THEOREM. For a function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i)  $f$  is  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$ -measurable and bounded subsets of  $f(X)$  are totally bounded.
- (ii)  $(x_1 \approx_{\mathcal{A}} x_2 \wedge {}^*f(x_1) \in \text{fin}({}^*Y)) \Rightarrow {}^*f(x_1) \approx_{\delta} {}^*f(x_2)$ .

If  $\mathcal{C}$  is a system of subsets of  $Y$ ,  $\sigma(\mathcal{C})$  denotes the smallest  $\sigma$ -algebra on  $Y$  containing  $\mathcal{C}$ .

3. THEOREM. Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be the system of all compact subsets of  $Y$ . For a function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i)  $f$  is  $\mathcal{A}, \sigma(\mathcal{C})$ -measurable.
- (ii)  $(x_1 \approx_{\mathcal{A}} x_2 \wedge {}^*f(x_1) \in \text{cpt}({}^*Y)) \Rightarrow {}^*f(x_1) \approx_{\delta} {}^*f(x_2)$ .

For  $\sigma$ -compact spaces  $Y$ , we obtain by Theorem 3 two equivalences for the  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$ -measurability. Both equivalences do not hold for arbitrary metric spaces (see Remark 5).

4. COROLLARY. Let  $(Y, \delta)$  be a  $\sigma$ -compact metric space. For a function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i)  $f$  is  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$ -measurable.
- (ii)  $(x_1 \approx_{\mathcal{A}} x_2 \wedge {}^*f(x_1) \in \text{ns}({}^*Y)) \Rightarrow {}^*f(x_1) \approx_{\delta} {}^*f(x_2)$ .
- (iii)  $(x_1 \approx_{\mathcal{A}} x_2 \wedge {}^*f(x_1) \in \text{cpt}({}^*Y)) \Rightarrow {}^*f(x_1) \approx_{\delta} {}^*f(x_2)$ .

PROOF. Direct consequence of  $\mathcal{B} = \sigma(\mathcal{C})$ , Theorem 3 and (I)  $\iff$  (II).

One can apply Corollary 4 to  $Y = \mathbb{R}^n$ . Observe that in this case  $\text{fin}({}^*\mathbb{R}^n) = \text{ns}({}^*\mathbb{R}^n) = \text{cpt}({}^*\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

5. **REMARK.** In Corollary 4 condition (i) always implies (ii) and (iii) for arbitrary metric spaces. However, even for locally-compact metric spaces, (ii) (and hence (iii)) do not imply (i): Consider  $X := Y := \mathbb{R}$  and let  $\delta$  be the discrete metric on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Let  $f$  be the identity function on  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $\mathcal{A} := \{A \subset \mathbb{R} : A \text{ or } \mathbb{R} \setminus A \text{ is countable}\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $\text{ns}(*Y) = \mathbb{R}$  and  $f$  is not  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$ -measurable. However (ii) holds, as  $x_1 \approx_{\mathcal{A}} x_2$  and  $*f(x_1) = x_1 \in \mathbb{R}$  implies  $x_1 = x_2$ .

**2. Proof of the Results**

The following Lemma is the crucial tool for the proof of our main results. In the proof of Lemma 6 and Theorem 1 we use that there exists a hyperfinite  $*\mathcal{A}$ -partition of  $*X$ , say  $\mathbf{P}_h$ , which refines each finite standard  $*\mathcal{A}$ -partition (see [4]). Then  $x_1 \approx_{\mathcal{A}} x_2$  if  $x_1, x_2 \in E \in \mathbf{P}_h$ .

6. **LEMMA.** *Let  $C \subset Y$  be closed. Then  $f^{-1}(C) \in \mathcal{A}$  if:*

$$(C) \quad (x_1 \approx_{\mathcal{A}} x_2 \wedge *f(x_1) \in *C) \Rightarrow *f(x_1) \approx_{\delta} *f(x_2).$$

**PROOF.** Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, using (C), the existence of  $\mathbf{P}_h$  and backwards transfer, it follows that there exists a finite  $\mathcal{A}$ -measurable partition  $\{E_1^{(n)}, \dots, E_{k(n)}^{(n)}\}$  of  $X$  with

$$(\forall x_1, x_2 \in E_i^{(n)})(f(x_1) \in C \Rightarrow \delta(f(x_1), f(x_2)) \leq 1/n).$$

Hence there exists  $I_n \subset \{1, \dots, k(n)\}$  with

$$(1) \quad f^{-1}(C) \subset \bigcup_{i \in I_n} E_i^{(n)} \subset \{x \in X : \delta(f(x), C) \leq 1/n\}.$$

As  $C$  is closed, we have  $f^{-1}(C) = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \{x \in X : \delta(f(x), C) \leq 1/n\}$ ; since  $\bigcup_{i \in I_n} E_i^{(n)} \in \mathcal{A}$ , we obtain  $f^{-1}(C) \in \mathcal{A}$  by (1).

**PROOF OF THEOREM 1.** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii): Let  $x_1 \approx_{\mathcal{A}} x_2$  and  $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}_+$ . As  $f$  is  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$ -measurable we have  $*f(x_1) \approx_{\mathcal{B}} *f(x_2)$  (use (I)  $\iff$  (II)). Since  $f(X)$  is totally bounded, there exists  $y \in Y$  with  $*f(x_1) \in *(U_\varepsilon(y))$ , where  $U_\varepsilon(y) = \{z \in Y : \delta(z, y) < \varepsilon\}$  (see e.g. 24.9(ii) of [3]). As  $U_\varepsilon(y) \in \mathcal{B}$ , we obtain  $*f(x_2) \in *(U_\varepsilon(y))$ . Hence  $*f(x_1) \approx_{\delta} *f(x_2)$ .

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i): Let  $C \subset Y$  be a closed set. Then (ii) implies that condition (C) of Lemma 6 is fulfilled. Hence  $f^{-1}(C) \in \mathcal{A}$ , whence  $f$  is  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$ -measurable.

Let  $\varepsilon \in \mathbf{R}_+$ . Then, using (ii), the existence of  $\mathbf{P}_h$  and backwards transfer, it follows that there exists a finite  $\mathcal{A}$ -measurable partition  $\{E_1, \dots, E_k\}$  of  $X$  with

$$(x_1, x_2 \in E_i) \Rightarrow \delta(f(x_1), f(x_2)) \leq \varepsilon.$$

Hence  $f(X)$  is totally bounded.

**PROOF OF THEOREM 2.** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii): Let  $x_1 \approx_{\mathcal{A}} x_2$  and  $*f(x_1) \in \text{fin}(*Y)$ . Then there exists a bounded set  $B \subset f(X)$  with  $*f(x_1) \in *B$ . By (i)  $B$  is totally bounded and hence  $*f(x_1) \in \text{pns}(*Y)$  (see 24.9(ii) of [3]). Let  $\varepsilon \in \mathbf{R}_+$ . Then there exists  $y_1 \in Y$  with  $*f(x_1) \in *(U_\varepsilon(y_1))$ . As  $f$  is  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$ -measurable and  $x_1 \approx_{\mathcal{A}} x_2$  we obtain  $*f(x_2) \in *(U_\varepsilon(y_1))$  and hence  $*f(x_1) \approx_{\delta} *f(x_2)$ .

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i): The  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$ -measurability follows from Lemma 6 applied to all bounded and closed sets  $C$ .

Let  $B \subset f(X)$  be a bounded set. It remains to show that  $B$  is totally bounded. There exists  $X_0 \subset X$  with  $B = f(X_0)$ . Let  $f_0 := f|_{X_0}$ . Then we have for  $x_1, x_2 \in *X_0$ :

$$x_1 \approx_{\mathcal{A} \cap X_0} x_2 \Rightarrow x_1 \approx_{\mathcal{A}} x_2 \stackrel{\text{(ii)}}{\Rightarrow} *\delta(*f(x_1), *f(x_2)) \approx 0 \Rightarrow *\delta(*f_0(x_1), *f_0(x_2)) \approx 0.$$

Hence by Theorem 1 the set  $B = f(X_0) = f_0(X_0)$  is totally bounded.

**PROOF OF THEOREM 3.** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii): Let  $x_1 \approx_{\mathcal{A}} x_2$  and  $*f(x_1) \in *C$  for some  $C \in \mathcal{C}$ . Since  $*C \subset \text{ns}(*Y)$ , there exists  $y_1 \in Y$  with  $*f(x_1) \approx_{\delta} *y_1$ . Let  $\varepsilon \in \mathbf{R}_+$  and put  $C_\varepsilon := \{y \in Y : \delta(y, y_1) \leq \varepsilon\}$ . Then  $C \cap C_\varepsilon$  is compact and  $*f(x_1) \in *(C \cap C_\varepsilon)$ . Since  $x_1 \approx_{\mathcal{A}} x_2$  and  $f$  is  $\mathcal{A}, \sigma(\mathcal{C})$ -measurable, we obtain that  $*f(x_2) \in *(C \cap C_\varepsilon)$  (use (I)  $\iff$  (II) with  $\sigma(\mathcal{C})$  instead of  $\mathcal{B}$ ). Hence  $*\delta(*f(x_1), *f(x_2)) \leq 2\varepsilon$ , whence  $*f(x_1) \approx_{\delta} *f(x_2)$ .

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i): Apply Lemma 6 to all compact sets  $C$ .

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