



## A RADON-NIKODYM TYPE THEOREM

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### Abstract

In [6] and [7], the authors introduced and studied an integral for multifunctions with respect to a multimeasure which contains different multivalued integrals as particular cases. If  $\mathcal{P}_k(X)$  is the family of nonempty compact subsets of a locally convex algebra  $X$ , both the multifunction and the multimeasure take values in a subset  $\tilde{X}$  of  $\mathcal{P}_k(X)$  which satisfies certain conditions. In this paper, we continue this work and establish a Radon-Nikodym theorem, using a method of Maynard [13] which bases on the notion of exhaustion.

### Introduction

The study of multifunctions was intensified and diversified in the last period thanks to their multiple applications in mathematical economics, theory of games, optimization and optimal control.

In [6] and [7], we constructed an integration theory for multifunctions with respect to multimeasures. If  $\mathcal{P}_k(X)$  is the family of nonempty compact subsets of a locally convex algebra  $X$ , then the multifunctions and the multimeasures take values in a subset  $\tilde{X}$  of  $\mathcal{P}_k(X)$  which satisfies certain conditions. For different choices of the space  $X$ , of the multifunctions and of the multimeasures, this set-valued integral contains, like particular cases, the classical integrals of Dunford [10], Brooks [3] and the integrals introduced in Sambucini [14], Croitoru [4].

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One of the most interesting problems in the theory of integration is the existence of a Radon-Nikodym derivative. In this paper, we obtain a Radon-Nikodym type theorem in the context of the integration theory constructed in [6]. According to this result, we can express a multimeasure  $\Gamma$  like a set-valued integral of a multifunction with respect to a multimeasure  $\varphi$ , under a condition of absolute continuity:  $\Gamma \ll \varphi$ . In this case, the construction of the Radon-Nikodym derivative follows the method of Maynard [13], using the notion of exhaustion.

## 1 Terminology and notations

The terminology and different notations are those of [6] and [7]. Let  $S$  be a nonempty set,  $\mathcal{A}$  an algebra of subsets of  $S$ . Let  $X$  be a Hausdorff locally convex commutative algebra and let  $Q$  be a filtering family of seminorms which defines the topology of  $X$  and satisfies the following property for every  $x, y \in X$  and every  $p \in Q$ :

$$(*) \quad p(xy) \leq p(x)p(y).$$

### 1.1. Examples

- (a)  $X = \{f \mid f : T \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}$  where  $T$  is a nonempty set.  
Let  $Q = \{p_t \mid t \in T\}$  where  $p_t(f) = |f(t)|$ , for every  $f \in X$
- (b)  $X = \{f \mid f : T \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ is bounded}\}$  where  $T$  is a topological space.  
Let  $\mathcal{K} = \{K \subset T \mid K \text{ is compact}\}$  and  $Q = \{p_K \mid K \in \mathcal{K}\}$  where, for every  $f \in X$ ,  $p_K(f) = \sup_{t \in K} |f(t)|$ .
- (c)  $X = \{f \mid f : T \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ is continuous}\} = \mathcal{C}(T)$  where  $T$  is a topological space. Let  $\mathcal{K} = \{K \subset T \mid K \text{ is compact}\}$  and  $Q = \{p_K \mid K \in \mathcal{K}\}$  where, for every  $f \in X$ ,  $p_K(f) = \sup_{t \in K} |f(t)|$ .
- (d) As a particular case, we may consider  $X = L^1(\mathbb{R})$  which is a Banach algebra with the sum and the convolution as operations.

We denote by  $\mathcal{P}_k(X) = \mathcal{P}_k$  the family of all nonempty compact subsets of  $X$ . For every  $p \in Q$  and every  $A, B \in \mathcal{P}_k$ , let  $h_p(A, B)$  be the Hausdorff semimetric defined by  $p$  on  $\mathcal{P}_k$  analogously to the definition of Hausdorff metric [12]. We define  $\|A\|_p = h_p(A, O) = \sup_{x \in A} p(x)$  where  $O = \{0\}$ . It is known that  $\{h_p\}_{p \in Q}$  is a filtering family of semimetrics on  $\mathcal{P}_k$  which defines a Hausdorff topology on  $\mathcal{P}_k$ .

For greater convenience of the reader, we now recall some definitions and properties which be used in the following.

### 1.2. Definition.

$M : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_k$  is said to be an **additive multimeasure** if:

(i)  $M(\emptyset) = O$ ,

(ii)  $M(A \cup B) = M(A) + M(B)$ , for every  $A, B \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $A \cap B = \emptyset$ .

### 1.3. Examples and applications.

I. If  $\nu_1, \nu_2$  are two finite measures defined on  $\mathcal{A}$ , so that  $\nu_1 \leq \nu_2$  and  $\nu_2$  is a probability measure, then one obtains a particular multimeasure  $M : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_0([0, 1])$ ,  $M(A) = [\nu_1(A), \nu_2(A)]$ ,  $\forall A \in \mathcal{A}$ , which is the simplest example of a probability multimeasure. We recall that a multimeasure  $M : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_0([0, 1])$  is said to be a *probability multimeasure* if  $1 \in M(S)$ . These probability multimeasures are used in control, robotics and decision theory (in Bayesian estimation).

II. We now give an example of such a multimeasure used by Wasserman [16] in robust Bayesian inference. In this paper, Wasserman generalizes previous works of Shafer [15] and Dempster [8] who defines the upper and lower probabilities generated by a multifunction. Following [16] p.454-455, let  $\Theta$  be a Polish space with Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{B}(\Theta)$  and let  $X$  be a convex compact metrizable subset of a locally convex topological vector space with Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{B}(X)$ . Let  $\mu$  be a probability measure on  $(X, \mathcal{B}(X))$  and let  $\Gamma$  be a multifunction defined on  $X$  with values in  $\mathcal{P}_f(\Theta)$  the family of nonempty closed subsets of  $\Theta$ . For each  $A \subset \Theta$ , we denote

$$A_* = \{x \in X; \Gamma(x) \subset A\} \text{ and } A^* = \{x \in X; \Gamma(x) \cap A \neq \emptyset\}.$$

Now, if, as in [16], we define on  $(\Theta, \mathcal{B}(\Theta))$  the *belief function*  $Bel$  and the *plausibility function*  $Pl$  by, for any  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\Theta)$ ,

$$Bel(A) = \mu(A_*) \text{ and } Pl(A) = \mu(A^*),$$

then we can consider the set  $\Pi$  of all probability measures  $P$  satisfying, for any  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\Theta)$ ,  $Bel(A) \leq P(A) \leq Pl(A)$ . It can be shown that  $\Pi$  is non empty and that, for every  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\Theta)$ ,

$$Bel(A) = \inf_{P \in \Pi} P(A) \text{ and } Pl(A) = \sup_{P \in \Pi} P(A).$$

So,  $Bel$  and  $Pl$  may be thought as the lower and upper bounds of the family of the selections measures of the multimeasure  $M$  such that, for every  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\Theta)$ ,  $M(A) = [Bel(A), Pl(A)]$ .

The next definition is a natural extension of the concept of the variation of a vector measure [10].

#### 1.4. Definition.

Let  $M : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_k$ . For every  $p \in Q$ , the  $p$ -variation of  $M$  is the non-negative (possibly infinite) set function  $v_p(M, \cdot)$  defined on  $\mathcal{A}$  as follows:

$$v_p(M, A) = \sup \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n \|M(E_i)\|_p \mid \begin{array}{l} (E_i)_{i=1}^n \subset \mathcal{A}, E_i \cap E_j = \emptyset \text{ for } i \neq j, \\ \bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i = A, n \in \mathbb{N}^* \end{array} \right\}, \forall A \in \mathcal{A}.$$

If  $M$  is an additive multimeasure, then  $v_p(M, \cdot)$  is finitely additive for every  $p \in Q$ . We say that  $M$  is **with bounded  $p$ -variation** iff  $v_p(M, \cdot)$  is bounded for every  $p \in Q$ .

In the sequel, multimeasures and multifunctions take their values in a subset  $\tilde{X}$  of  $\mathcal{P}_k$  satisfying the conditions:

- $\tilde{X}$  is complete with respect to  $\{h_p\}_{p \in Q}$ ,
- $O \in \tilde{X}$ ,
- $A + B, A \cdot B \in \tilde{X}$ , for all  $A, B \in \tilde{X}$ ,
- $A \cdot (B + C) = A \cdot B + A \cdot C$ , for all  $A, B, C \in \tilde{X}$ .

#### 1.5. Examples

- (a)  $\tilde{X} = \{\{f\} \mid f \in X\}$  for  $X$  like in Example 1.1, (a) and (b).
- (b)  $\tilde{X} = \{A \mid A \subset [0, +\infty[, A \text{ is nonempty compact convex}\}$  for  $X = \mathbb{R}$ .
- (c)  $\tilde{X} = \{[f, g] \mid f, g \in X, 0 \leq f \leq g\}$  for  $X$  like in 1.1-(a), where  $[f, g] = \{u \in X \mid f \leq u \leq g\} = \{u \in X \mid f(t) \leq u(t) \leq g(t), \text{ for every } t \in T\}$  and  $[f, f] = \{f\}$ .
- (c)  $\tilde{X}$  is the family of nonempty compact subsets of  $X$  like in Example 1.1 (c).

In the sequel, we also suppose that  $\varphi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \tilde{X}$  is an additive multimeasure such that its  $p$ -variation  $v_p(\varphi, \cdot)$ , denoted by  $\nu_p$ , is bounded and there exists at least one  $p \in Q$  such that  $(S, \mathcal{A}, \nu_p)$  is complete (cf. [10]-III).

**1.6. Definition**

A multimeasure  $\Gamma : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \tilde{X}$  is said to be **absolutely continuous with respect to the multimeasure  $\varphi$**  if, for every  $p \in Q$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta(p, \varepsilon) = \delta > 0$  such that for every  $E \in \mathcal{A}$ ,

$$\nu_p(E) < \delta \Rightarrow \nu_p(\Gamma, E) < \varepsilon$$

that is denoted:  $\Gamma \ll \varphi$ .

Now we recall some integral notions already used in [6] and [7].

If  $F : S \rightarrow \tilde{X}$  is the simple multifunction  $F = \sum_{i=1}^n B_i \cdot \mathcal{X}_{A_i}$ , where  $B_i \in \tilde{X}$ ,  $A_i \in \mathcal{A}, i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ ,  $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$  for  $i \neq j$ ,  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i = S$  and  $\mathcal{X}_{A_i}$  is the characteristic function of  $A_i$ , the integral of  $F$  over  $E \in \mathcal{A}$  with respect to  $\varphi$  is:

$$\int_E F d\varphi = \sum_{i=1}^n B_i \cdot \varphi(A_i \cap E) \in \tilde{X}.$$

**1.7. Definition** (Definition 2.2 of [6])

A multifunction  $F : S \rightarrow \tilde{X}$  is called  **$\varphi$ -totally measurable in seminorm** if for every  $p \in Q$ , there is a sequence  $(F_n^p)_n$  of simple multifunctions  $F_n^p : S \rightarrow \tilde{X}$  such that  $h_p(F_n^p, F) \xrightarrow{\nu_p} 0$ .

**1.8. Definition** (Definition 2.3 of [6])

A multifunction  $F : S \rightarrow \tilde{X}$  is called  **$\varphi$ -integrable in seminorm** if, for every  $p \in Q$ , there exists a sequence  $(F_n^p)_n$  of simple multifunctions,  $F_n^p : S \rightarrow \tilde{X}$ , satisfying the following conditions:

- (i)  $h_p(F_n^p, F) \xrightarrow{\nu_p} 0$  (that is:  $F$  is  $\varphi$ -totally measurable in seminorm),
  - (ii)  $h_p(F_n^p, F)$  is  $\nu_p$ -integrable, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,
  - (iii)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_E h_p(F_n^p, F) d\nu_p = 0$ , for every  $E \in \mathcal{A}$ ,
  - (iv) For every  $E \in \mathcal{A}$ , there exists  $I_E \in \tilde{X}$  such that, for every  $p \in Q$ ,
- $$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} h_p \left( \int_E F_n^p d\varphi, I_E \right) = 0.$$

We denote  $I_E = \int_E F d\varphi$  and call it the **integral of  $F$  on  $E$  with respect to  $\varphi$** . The sequence  $(F_n^p)_n$  is said to be a  **$p$ -defining sequence** for  $F$ .

### 1.9. Remark (Connections with previous integrals)

I. In the above definition of  $\varphi$ -integrability in seminorm, the  $p$ -defining sequence depends on the seminorm. This setting is weaker and differs from that of [5], where the defining sequence is independent of the seminorm.

II. In [6] and [7], we have shown that this integral contains different classical integrals or multivalued integrals ([1], [2], [3], [4], [10] and [14]) and has some of the classical properties of an integral.

For examples:

- (a) If  $X$  is a real Banach algebra, then we obtain the integral defined in [4].
- (b) If  $X = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\tilde{X} = \{A \mid A \subset [0, +\infty), A \text{ is a nonvoid compact convex set}\}$  and  $\varphi = \{\mu\}$  (where  $\mu$  is finitely additive), then we obtain the integral (defined in [14]) of the multifunction  $F$  with respect to  $\mu$ .

The next convergence theorem of Vitali type (Theorem 3.1 of [7]) will be used in the next section.

### 1.10. Theorem(Vitali)

Let  $F : S \rightarrow \tilde{X}$  be a multifunction and, for every  $p \in Q$ ,  $(F_n^p)_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*}$  be a sequence of  $\varphi$ -integrable in seminorm multifunctions  $F_n^p : S \rightarrow \tilde{X}$ . We denote, for every  $E \in \mathcal{A}$ , every  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$  and every  $p \in Q$ ,  $\Gamma_n^p(E) = \int_E \|F_n^p\|_p d\nu_p$  and, for every  $p \in Q$ , we suppose the following conditions:

- (i)  $h_p(F_n^p, F) \xrightarrow{\nu_p} 0$ ,
- (ii)  $\Gamma_n^p \ll \nu_p$ , uniformly in  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$  (i.e. for every  $p \in Q$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is  $\delta(p, \varepsilon) = \delta > 0$  such that  $\Gamma_n^p(E) < \varepsilon$  for all  $E \in \mathcal{A}$  with  $\nu_p(E) < \delta$  and for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ).

Then the multifunction  $F$  is  $\varphi$ -integrable in seminorm and, for every  $E \in \mathcal{A}$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_E F_n^p d\varphi = \int_E F d\varphi.$$

## 2 Radon-Nikodym type theorem

In this section, the approach to be used in obtaining a Radon-Nikodym theorem will be analogous to that of Maynard in [13]. We begin by recalling some definitions.

In the sequel, we denote  $\mathcal{A}^+ = \{E \in \mathcal{A} \mid \nu_p(E) > 0, \forall p \in Q\}$ .

### 2.1. Definition

(i) A finite or countable family of pairwise disjoint sets  $(E_i)_i \subset \mathcal{A}^+$  will be called an **uniform exhaustion** of  $S$  if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\nu_p\left(S \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^{n_0} E_i\right) < \varepsilon$  for every  $p \in Q$ .

(ii) A set property  $P$  is said to be **uniformly exhaustive** on  $E \in \mathcal{A}$  if there exists an uniform exhaustion  $(E_i)_i$  of  $E$  such that every  $E_i$  has  $P$ .

### 2.2. Definition

A set property  $P$  is called "**uniform null difference**" if whenever  $A, B \in \mathcal{A}^+$ , from  $\nu_p(A \Delta B) = 0$  for every  $p \in Q$ , it follows that either  $A$  and  $B$  both have  $P$  or neither does.

### 2.3. Theorem

Let  $P$  be an uniform null difference property such that  $P$  is uniformly exhaustive on  $S$ . Then there exists  $I \subset \mathbb{N}^*$  and  $(E_i)_{i \in I}$  an uniform exhaustion of  $S$ , such that every  $E_i$  has  $P$  and  $S = \bigcup_{i \in I} E_i$ .

*Proof*

Since  $P$  is uniformly exhaustive on  $S$ , there exists  $I \subset \mathbb{N}^*$  and  $(A_i)_{i \in I}$  an uniform exhaustion of  $S$ , such that every  $A_i$  has  $P$ . Thus, we have:

$$(1) \quad \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists n_0(\varepsilon) = n_0 \in \mathbb{N}^* \text{ such that } \nu_p\left(S \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^{n_0} A_i\right) < \varepsilon, \quad \forall p \in Q.$$

Let  $A_0 = S \setminus \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$ . By the inclusion  $A_0 \subset S \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^{n_0} A_i$  and from (1), it results that  $\nu_p^*(A_0) < \varepsilon, \forall \varepsilon > 0$  (where  $\nu_p^*(A_0) = \inf\{\nu_p(C) \mid A_0 \subset C, C \in \mathcal{A}\}$ , cf. Dunford and Schwartz [10]-III). So  $\nu_p^*(A_0) = 0$ . If there is  $q \in Q$  such that  $(S, \mathcal{A}, \nu_q)$  is complete, from  $\nu_q^*(A_0) = 0$ , it follows that  $A_0 \in \mathcal{A}$  and, for every  $p \in Q$ ,  $\nu_p(A_0) = 0$ .

Let  $(E_i)_{i \in I}$  be the family of sets defined by:  $E_1 = A_0 \cup A_1 \in \mathcal{A}$  and for  $i \geq 2$ ,  $E_i = A_i \in \mathcal{A}$ . We have, for every  $p \in Q$ , for  $i = 1$ ,  $\nu_p(E_1) \geq \nu_p(A_1) > 0$  and for every  $i \geq 2$ ,  $\nu_p(E_i) = \nu_p(A_i) > 0$ . Evidently,  $S = \bigcup_{i \in I} E_i$ .

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . For  $n_0$  of (1) we have  $\bigcup_{i=1}^{n_0} E_i = A_0 \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^{n_0} A_i$ .

By the inclusion  $S \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^{n_0} E_i \subset S \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^{n_0} A_i$  and from (1), it follows:

$$\nu_p\left(S \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^{n_0} E_i\right) \leq \nu_p\left(S \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^{n_0} A_i\right) < \varepsilon, \quad \forall p \in Q$$

which assures that  $(E_i)_{i \in I}$  is an uniformly exhaustion of  $S$ . Now, for every  $i \geq 2, E_i = A_i$  has  $P$ . So, we have only to prove that  $E_1$  has  $P$ . By the relations:

$$E_1 \triangle A_1 = (A_0 \cup A_1) \triangle A_1 = A_0 \setminus A_1 \subset A_0$$

it follows

$$\nu_p(E_1 \triangle A_1) \leq \nu_p(A_0) = 0, \quad \forall p \in Q$$

and  $\nu_p(E_1 \triangle A_1) = 0$ , for every  $p \in Q$ . Since  $P$  is uniform null difference and  $A_1$  has  $P$ , we obtain that  $E_1$  has  $P$ .  $\square$

Now, we give two properties of a set-valued integral  $\Gamma$ , properties which will be of use in the next Radon-Nikodym theorem.

#### 2.4. Theorem

Let  $F : S \rightarrow \tilde{X}$  be a  $\varphi$ -integrable in seminorm bounded multifunction and  $\Gamma(E) = \int_E F d\varphi, E \in \mathcal{A}$  ( $\Gamma$  is a multimeasure according to Theorem 2.8-(a) of [6]). Then we have:

- (i)  $\Gamma \ll \varphi$ ;
- (ii) for every  $p \in Q$ , there exists  $r_p > 0$  such that, for every  $E \in \mathcal{A}$  with  $\nu_p(E) > 0$ ,  $\|\Gamma(E)\|_p \leq r_p \nu_p(E)$ .

*Proof*

- (i) It follows from Theorem 2.8-(c) of [6].
- (ii) Since the boundedness of  $F$ , for every  $p \in Q$ , there exists  $r_p > 0$  such that:

$$(2) \quad \|F(s)\|_p \leq r_p, \quad \forall s \in S.$$

From (2) and Theorem 2.7-(b) of [6], for each  $E \in \mathcal{A}$  with  $\nu_p(E) > 0$ , we have:

$$\|\Gamma(E)\|_p = \left\| \int_E F d\varphi \right\|_p \leq \int_E \|F\|_p d\nu_p \leq r_p \nu_p(E).$$

$\square$

The next sentence follows from classical properties of the variation of a vector measure ([9], [10]).

#### 2.5. Proposition

If  $\Gamma$  is a multimeasure which satisfy condition (ii) of Theorem 2.4, then  $\Gamma$  is a multimeasure with bounded  $p$ -variation.

We now give a definition of approximate average ranges which is adapted from that of [13] for set-valued case.

## 2.6. Definition

For a multifunction  $\Gamma : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \tilde{X}$ ,  $p \in Q, \varepsilon > 0$  and  $E \in \mathcal{A}$ , let:

$$D_p(\Gamma, E, \varepsilon) = \{C \in \tilde{X} \mid h_p(\Gamma(B), \nu_p(B) \cdot C) \leq \varepsilon \nu_p(B), \forall B \in \mathcal{A}, B \subset E\},$$

$$\tilde{D}_p(\Gamma, E, \varepsilon) = \{C \in \tilde{X} \mid h_p(\Gamma(B), \varphi(B) \cdot C) \leq \varepsilon \nu_p(B), \forall B \in \mathcal{A}, B \subset E\}.$$

The next proposition give examples of uniform null difference properties which will used in this paper. Its demonstration is adapted from that of Theorem 3.6 of [5].

## 2.7. Proposition

Let  $\Gamma$  be an additive multimeasure with bounded  $p$ -variation which is absolutely continuous with respect to  $\varphi$ . Then,

- (i)  $D_p(\Gamma, E, \gamma) \neq \emptyset$ ,
  - (ii)  $\tilde{D}_p(\Gamma, E, \gamma) \neq \emptyset$  and
  - (iii)  $D_p(\Gamma, E, \gamma) \cap \tilde{D}_p(\Gamma, E, \gamma) \neq \emptyset$
- are uniform null difference properties.

*Proof*

It is clear it is sufficient to prove (i) and (ii).

(i) Since  $\Gamma \ll \varphi$ , for every  $p \in Q$  and every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta(p, \varepsilon) = \delta > 0$  such that, for every  $E \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $\nu_p(E) < \delta$ ,  $\|\Gamma(E)\|_p \leq \nu_p(\Gamma, E) < \varepsilon$ . Now, we have to show that, if  $A$  and  $B \in \mathcal{A}^+$  such that  $\nu_p(A \Delta B) = 0$  for every  $p \in Q$ ,  $D_p(\Gamma, A, \gamma) = D_p(\Gamma, B, \gamma)$  for each  $p \in Q$ . Now we fix one  $p \in Q$  and consider  $C \in D_p(\Gamma, A, \gamma)$ .

$C \in \tilde{X}$  and, for every  $B \in \mathcal{A}, B \subset A$ ,  $h_p(\Gamma(B), \nu_p(B) \cdot C) \leq \gamma \nu_p(B)$ .

Let  $H \in \mathcal{A}, H \subset B$ . Since  $\nu_p(A \Delta B) = 0$ ,  $\nu_p(H \setminus A) \leq \nu_p(B \setminus A) = 0$  and  $\nu_p(H) = \nu_p(H \cap A) + \nu_p(H \setminus A) \leq \nu_p(H \cap A) + \nu_p(B \setminus A) = \nu_p(H \cap A) \leq \nu_p(H)$ . So,  $\nu_p(H) = \nu_p(H \cap A)$  for every  $H \in \mathcal{A}, H \subset B$ .

From  $H \cap A \subset A$ , it follows  $h_p(\Gamma(A \cap H), \nu_p(A \cap H) \cdot C) \leq \gamma \nu_p(A \cap H)$ . Since  $\nu_p(H \setminus A) = 0 < \delta$ ,  $\|\Gamma(H \setminus A)\|_p < \varepsilon$  and this for all  $\varepsilon$ . So,  $\|\Gamma(H \setminus A)\|_p = 0$ . Now, we can write:

$$h_p(\Gamma(H), \nu_p(H) \cdot C) = h_p(\Gamma(H \cap A) + \Gamma(H \setminus A), (\nu_p(H \cap A) + \nu_p(H \setminus A)) \cdot C) \leq h_p(\Gamma(H \cap A), \nu_p(H \cap A) \cdot C) + \|\Gamma(H \setminus A)\|_p \leq \gamma \nu_p(H \cap A) = \gamma \nu_p(H).$$

So for every  $H \in \mathcal{A}, H \subset B$ , we have  $h_p(\Gamma(H), \nu_p(H) \cdot C) \leq \gamma \nu_p(H)$ . That is:  $C \in D_p(\Gamma, B, \gamma)$ . The inclusion  $D_p(\Gamma, B, \gamma) \subset D_p(\Gamma, A, \gamma)$  is similarly proved by exchange of  $A$  and  $B$ . So, the first part "  $D_p(\Gamma, E, \gamma) \neq \emptyset$  is an uniform null difference property" is proved.

(ii) For the second property, with same notations as in the first part, if  $H \in \mathcal{A}, H \subset B$ , since, for every  $p \in Q$ ,  $\nu_p(A \Delta B) = 0$ , it follows from  $\|\varphi(H \setminus A)\|_p \leq$

$\nu_p(H \setminus A) = 0$ , as in the first part, that  $\|\Gamma(H \setminus A)\|_p = 0$  and  $h_p(\Gamma(H), \varphi(H) \cdot C) = h_p(\Gamma(H \cap A), \varphi(H \cap A) \cdot C) + \|\Gamma(H \setminus A)\|_p \leq \leq \gamma \nu_p(H \cap A) = \gamma \nu_p(H)$ . The proof is finished as in the first part.  $\square$

### 2.8. Theorem

Let  $F : S \rightarrow \tilde{X}$  be a  $\varphi$ -integrable in seminorm bounded multifunction and  $\Gamma(E) = \int_E F d\varphi$ ,  $E \in \mathcal{A}$ . Then,  
 $\forall p \in Q$ ,  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$  and  $\forall E \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $\nu_p(E) > 0$ , there exists  $B \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $B \subset E$   $\nu_p(B) > 0$  such that  $\tilde{D}_p(\Gamma, B, \varepsilon) \neq \emptyset$ .

*Proof*

Since  $F$  is  $\varphi$ -integrable in seminorm, for every  $p \in Q$ , there exists  $(F_n^p)_n$  a  $p$ -defining sequence of simple multifunctions  $F_n^p : S \rightarrow \tilde{X}$ . So,

- (i)  $h_p(F_n^p, F) \xrightarrow{\nu_p} 0$ ,
- (ii)  $h_p(F_n^p, F)$  is  $\nu_p$ -integrable, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,
- (iii)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_E h_p(F_n^p, F) d\nu_p = 0$ , for every  $E \in \mathcal{A}$ .

Thanks to (i), there exists a strictly increasing sequence  $(n_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}^*} \subset \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\nu_p(\{s \in S \mid h_p(F_{n_k}^p(s), F(s)) > \frac{1}{2^k}\}) \leq \frac{1}{2^k}$ . Let  $A_k^p = \{s \in S \mid h_p(F_{n_k}^p(s), F(s)) > \frac{1}{2^k}\}$ . If we denote  $G_k^p = F_{n_k}^p \mathcal{X}_{\mathbb{C}A_k^p}$ ,  $G_k^p$  is a simple function and for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $h_p(G_k^p, F)$  is  $\nu_p$ -measurable. It is easy to see that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  and every  $k \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\nu_p(\{s \in S \mid h_p(G_k^p(s), F(s)) > \varepsilon\}) \leq \nu_p(A_k^p) + \nu_p(\{s \in S \mid h_p(F_{n_k}^p(s), F(s)) > \varepsilon\})$ . So  $h_p(G_k^p, F) \xrightarrow{\nu_p} 0$ . And, with notations of Theorem 2.4,

$$\int_S h_p(G_k^p, F) d\nu_p = \int_{A_k^p} \|F\|_p d\nu_p + \int_{\mathbb{C}A_k^p} h_p(G_k^p, F) d\nu_p \leq r_p \nu_p(A_k^p) + \frac{1}{2^k} \nu_p(S).$$

Then,  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_S h_p(G_k^p, F) d\nu_p = 0$  and  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_E h_p(G_k^p, F) d\nu_p = 0$ ,  $\forall E \in \mathcal{A}$ . Since  $\nu_p(E) > 0$  and  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \nu_p(A_k^p) = 0$ ,  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \nu_p(E \cap \mathbb{C}A_k^p) = \nu_p(E)$ . So, there exists  $k_0$  such that, for every  $k \geq k_0$ ,  $\nu_p(E \cap \mathbb{C}A_k^p) > 0$ .

If  $G_k^p = \sum_{i=1}^l C_i \mathcal{X}_{A_i}$ ,  $\nu_p(E \cap \mathbb{C}A_k^p) = \sum_{i=1}^l \nu_p(E \cap \mathbb{C}A_k^p \cap A_i)$  and there exists at least one  $i = i_0(k) = i_0$  such that  $\nu_p(E \cap \mathbb{C}A_k^p \cap A_{i_0}) > 0$ .

Denoting  $B = E \cap \mathbb{C}A_k^p \cap A_{i_0}$ , for every  $H \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $H \subset B$ , we have  $h_p(\Gamma(H), \varphi(H) \cdot C_{i_0}) = h_p(\int_H F d\varphi, \int_H G_k^p d\varphi) \leq \int_H h_p(G_k^p, F) d\nu_p \leq \frac{1}{2^k} \nu_p(H)$ . That is:  $C_{i_0} \in \tilde{D}_p(\Gamma, B, \frac{1}{2^k})$ . And, since, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $k \geq k_0$  such that  $\frac{1}{2^k} \leq \varepsilon$ , we can conclude that  $C_{i_0} \in \tilde{D}_p(\Gamma, B, \varepsilon)$ .  $\square$

**2.9. Remark**

Let  $\Gamma : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \tilde{X}$  be a bounded multimeasure such that:

$$(3) \quad \text{for every } \varepsilon > 0 \text{ and every } p \in Q, D_p(\Gamma, E, \varepsilon) \cap \tilde{D}_p(\Gamma, E, \varepsilon) \neq \emptyset$$

is an uniformly exhaustive property on every  $E \in \mathcal{A}^+$ .

Since (3) and Theorem 2.3, for every  $p \in Q$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is  $(E_i^{p,\varepsilon})_i$  an uniform exhaustion of each  $E \in \mathcal{A}^+$ , such that  $E = \bigcup_i E_i^{p,\varepsilon}$  and:

$$D_p(\Gamma, E_i^{p,\varepsilon}, \varepsilon) \cap \tilde{D}_p(\Gamma, E_i^{p,\varepsilon}, \varepsilon) \neq \emptyset, \quad \forall i.$$

By induction, following the same way as in Hagood [11], we can obtain a sequence  $E_\alpha^{p,n} (n \in \mathbb{N}, \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^n)$  of uniform exhaustions of  $S$  such that:

$$(4) \quad D_p(\Gamma, E_\alpha^{p,n}, 2^{-n}) \cap \tilde{D}_p(\Gamma, E_\alpha^{p,n}, 2^{-n}) \neq \emptyset, \quad \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^n, n \in \mathbb{N},$$

$$(5) \quad E_\alpha^{p,n} = \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} E_{\alpha,i}^{p,n}, \text{ where } (E_{\alpha,i}^{p,n+1})_i \text{ is an uniform exhaustion of } E_\alpha^{p,n}, \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^n, n \in \mathbb{N},$$

$$(6) \quad S = \bigcup_\alpha E_\alpha^{p,n} \text{ and } (E_\alpha^{p,n})_\alpha \text{ is an uniform exhaustion of } S, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

From (6), for  $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{n}$ , there exists  $k(n) = k \in \mathbb{N}$  such that:

$$(7) \quad \nu_p \left( S \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^k E_i^{p,n} \right) < \frac{1}{n}.$$

If we consider  $G_n^p = \sum_{i=1}^k C_i^{p,n} \cdot \mathcal{X}_{E_i^{p,n}} + O \cdot \mathcal{X}_{S \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^k E_i^{p,n}}$ , where

$C_i^{p,n} \in D_p(\Gamma, E_i^{p,n}, 2^{-n}) \cap \tilde{D}_p(\Gamma, E_i^{p,n}, 2^{-n})$ ,  $G_n^p$  is simple and therefore  $\varphi$ -integrable in seminorm. The sequence  $(G_n^p)_n$  is called *associate* to  $\Gamma$ .

**2.10. Theorem(Radon-Nikodym)**

Let  $\Gamma : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \tilde{X}$  be a multimeasure satisfying the three following conditions:

- (i)  $\Gamma \ll \varphi$ ,
- (ii) for every  $p \in Q$ , there exists  $r_p > 0$  such that  $\|\Gamma(E)\|_p \leq r_p \nu_p(E)$ , for every  $E \in \mathcal{A}$  with  $\nu_p(E) > 0$ ,

(iii) for every  $p \in Q$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , the property " $D_p(\Gamma, E, \varepsilon) \cap \tilde{D}_p(\Gamma, E, \varepsilon) \neq \emptyset$ " is an uniform exhaustive property on every  $E \in \mathcal{A}^+$ , and the sequence  $(G_n^p)_n$ , associate to  $\Gamma$  (see Remark 2.9), is convergent in  $\nu_p$ -measure.

Then there exists a  $\varphi$ -integrable in seminorm multifunction  $F : S \rightarrow \tilde{X}$ , such that  $\Gamma(E) = \int_E F d\varphi$ , for every  $E \in \mathcal{A}$ .

*Proof*

Thanks to Propositions 2.7 and 2.5,  $\Gamma$  has a bounded  $p$ -variation and, for every  $p \in Q$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , the property " $D_p(\Gamma, E, \varepsilon) \cap \tilde{D}_p(\Gamma, E, \varepsilon) \neq \emptyset$ " is an uniform null difference property on every  $E \in \mathcal{A}^+$ . So, we can use Theorem 2.3.

According to Remark 2.9, the sequence  $(G_n^p)_n$ , associate to  $\Gamma$ , is given by:

$$G_n^p = \sum_{i=1}^k C_i^{p,n} \cdot \mathcal{X}_{E_i^{p,n}} + O \cdot \mathcal{X}_{S \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^k E_i^{p,n}},$$

where

$$(8) \quad C_i^{p,n} \in D_p(\Gamma, E_i^{p,n}, 2^{-n}) \cap \tilde{D}_p(\Gamma, E_i^{p,n}, 2^{-n}).$$

Since (iii), there exists a multifunction  $F : S \rightarrow \tilde{X}$  such that:

$$(9) \quad h_p(G_n^p, F) \xrightarrow{\nu_p} 0.$$

From (8) and (ii), it results:

$$(10) \quad \begin{aligned} \|C_i^{p,n}\|_p &= h_p(C_i^{p,n}, O) = \frac{1}{\nu_p(E_i^{p,n})} h_p(\nu_p(E_i^{p,n}) C_i^{p,n}, O) \leq \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\nu_p(E_i^{p,n})} h_p(\nu_p(E_i^{p,n}) C_i^{p,n}, \Gamma(E_i^{p,n})) + \frac{1}{\nu_p(E_i^{p,n})} \|\Gamma(E_i^{p,n})\|_p \leq 2^{-n} + r_p. \end{aligned}$$

Since (10), we have for every  $E \in \mathcal{A}$ :

$$(11) \quad \begin{aligned} \int_E \|G_n^p\|_p d\nu_p &= \int_E \sum_{i=1}^k \|C_i^{p,n}\|_p \mathcal{X}_{E_i^{p,n}} d\nu_p = \sum_{i=1}^k \int_E \|C_i^{p,n}\|_p \mathcal{X}_{E_i^{p,n}} d\nu_p \leq \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^k (2^{-n} + r_p) \int_E \mathcal{X}_{E_i^{p,n}} d\nu_p = (2^{-n} + r_p) \sum_{i=1}^k \nu_p(E \cap E_i^{p,n}) = \\ &= (2^{-n} + r_p) \nu_p(E). \end{aligned}$$

If we consider now  $\delta(p, \varepsilon) = \delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{2^{-n} + r_p} > 0$ , then for every  $E \in \mathcal{A}$  with  $\nu_p(E) < \delta$ , using (11), we obtain  $\int_E \|G_n^p\|_p d\nu_p < \varepsilon$ . So, we have:

(12) for every  $p \in Q$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta(p, \varepsilon) = \delta > 0$  such that for every  $E \in \mathcal{A}$  with  $\nu_p(E) < \delta$ , it follows  $\int_E \|G_n^p\|_p d\nu_p < \varepsilon$ .

From (9) and (12), using Theorem 1.10 (Vitali), it results that  $F$  is  $\varphi$ -integrable in seminorm and:

$$(13) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_E G_n^p d\varphi = \int_E F d\varphi, \quad \forall E \in \mathcal{A}.$$

Now we prove that  $\Gamma(E) = \int_E F d\varphi, \forall E \in \mathcal{A}$ . Let us fix  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $p \in Q$  and let  $\delta(p, \frac{\varepsilon}{3}) = \delta > 0$  given from (i). According to (13), let  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$  such that  $\frac{1}{n} < \delta$  and:

$$(14) \quad h_p \left( \int_E G_n^p d\varphi, \int_E F d\varphi \right) < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}.$$

Then we have:

$$\begin{aligned} & h_p \left( \Gamma(E), \int_E F d\varphi \right) \leq h_p \left( \Gamma(E), \Gamma \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^k (E \cap E_i^{p,n}) \right) \right) + \\ & + h_p \left( \Gamma \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^k (E \cap E_i^{p,n}) \right), \sum_{i=1}^k C_i^{p,n} \cdot \varphi(E \cap E_i^{p,n}) \right) + \\ & + \underbrace{h_p \left( \int_E G_n^p d\varphi, \int_E G d\varphi \right)}_{< \frac{\varepsilon}{3}, \text{ cf. (14)}} < \|\Gamma(E \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^k (E \cap E_i^{p,n}))\|_p + \\ & + \sum_{i=1}^k h_p \left( \Gamma(E \cap E_i^{p,n}), C_i^{p,n} \cdot \varphi(E \cap E_i^{p,n}) \right) + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} \leq \\ & \leq \underbrace{v \left( \Gamma, E \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^k (E \cap E_i^{p,n}) \right)}_{< \frac{\varepsilon}{3}, \text{ cf. (i) and (7)}} + 2^{-n} \sum_{i=1}^k \nu_p(E \cap E_i^{p,n}) + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} < \\ & < \frac{2\varepsilon}{3} + 2^{-n} \nu_p(E) \leq \frac{2\varepsilon}{3} + 2^{-n} \nu_p(S) < \varepsilon, \end{aligned}$$

which shows that  $\Gamma(E) = \int_E F d\varphi, \forall E \in \mathcal{A}$ . □

### 2.11. Remark

In the previous Theorem of Radon-Nikodym type (in [5]) the first three conditions fulfilled by  $\Gamma$  are the following:

- (a)  $\Gamma$  is uniformly bounded;
- (b)  $\Gamma \ll \nu_p$ , uniformly in  $p \in \mathbb{Q}$ ;
- (c) there exists  $r > 0$  such that  $\|\Gamma(E)\| \leq r\nu_p(E)$ , for every  $E \in \mathcal{A}$  with  $\nu_p(E) > 0$  and for every  $p \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

As we may observe, Theorem 2.10 applies to a wider class of multimeasures  $\Gamma$ , that are not necessarily uniformly bounded.

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