

Special Uniform Approximations of Continuous Vector-Valued Functions. Part I: Special Approximations in $C_X(T)$

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In this paper, we give special uniform approximations of functions u from the spaces $C_X(T)$ and $C_\infty(T, X)$, with elements \bar{u} of the tensor products $C_\Gamma(T) \otimes X$, respectively $C_0(T, \Gamma) \otimes X$, for a topological space T and a Γ -locally convex space X . We call an approximation special, if \bar{u} satisfies additional constraints, namely $\text{supp } v \subset u^{-1}(X \setminus \{0\})$ and $\bar{u}(T) \subset \text{co}(u(T))$ (resp. $\subset \text{co}(u(T) \cup \{0\})$). In Section 3, we give three distinct applications, which are due exactly to these constraints: a density result with respect to the inductive limit topology, a Tietze–Dugundji’s type extension new theorem and a proof of Schauder–Tihonov’s fixed point theorem.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Throughout this paper, T is a topological space, X a locally convex space over the field $\Gamma \in \{\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{C}\}$ and $C_X(T)$ the linear space of all X -valued continuous functions on T . Consider the vector subspaces

$$C_b(T, X) := \{u \in C_X(T) \mid u(T) \text{ is bounded}\} \subset C_X(T),$$

$$C_{tb}(T, X) := \{u \in C_X(T) \mid u(T) \text{ is totally bounded}\} \subset C_b(T, X).$$

Recall that a subset $A \subset X$ is said to be totally bounded iff for every $W \in \mathcal{V}_X(0)$, there exists a finite subset $A_0 \subset X$, such that $A \subset A_0 + W$ (then, we can choose $A_0 \subset A$). If T and X are both Hausdorff spaces, we also use the standard notations

$$C_\infty(T, X) := \{u \in C_X(T) \mid \forall W \in \mathcal{V}_X(0), u^{-1}(X \setminus \overset{\circ}{W}) \text{ is compact}\},$$

$$C_0(T, X) := \{u \in C_X(T) \mid \text{supp } u := \overline{u^{-1}(X \setminus \{0\})} \text{ is compact}\}.$$

It is obvious that $C_0(T, X) \subset C_\infty(T, X) \subset C_{\text{tb}}(T, X) \subset C_b(T, X)$. We have the natural inclusions

$$C_\Gamma(T) \otimes X \subset C_X(T), \quad C_0(T, \Gamma) \otimes X \subset C_0(T, X).$$

Various results concerning the uniform density of $C_\Gamma(T) \otimes X$ in $C_X(T)$ and Weierstrass–Stone’s type theorems are known (see [1, 4–8]). Therefore, we will restrict our attention to special uniform approximations and its applications.

2. SPECIAL APPROXIMATIONS IN $C_X(T)$

2.1. The vector space $(C_\Gamma(T) \otimes X)_{\text{loc}}$

It is easily seen that if E is a Γ -normed space and if $u \in C_b(T, E)$ has the following uniform approximation property:

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists u_\varepsilon \in C_\Gamma(T) \otimes E, \text{ such that } \|u - u_\varepsilon\|_\infty < \varepsilon,$$

then $u \in C_{\text{tb}}(T, E)$. Therefore, to get ε -uniform approximations of u for arbitrary $\varepsilon > 0$, we have to accept $u \in C_{\text{tb}}(T, E)$ (Theorem 1 will prove that this condition is also sufficient, even for special approximations) or to replace the vector subspace $C_\Gamma(T) \otimes E$ of $C_E(T)$ by a larger one. This is a reason for:

DEFINITION 1. Consider the “locally tensor product”

$$(C_\Gamma(T) \otimes X)_{\text{loc}} := \{u : T \rightarrow X \mid \forall t \in T, \exists V \in \mathcal{V}_T(t),$$

$$\exists v \in C_\Gamma(T) \otimes X, \text{ such that } u|_V = v|_V\}.$$

PROPOSITION 1. (1) $(C_\Gamma(T) \otimes X)_{\text{loc}}$ is a Γ -vector space and

$$C_\Gamma(T) \otimes X \subset (C_\Gamma(T) \otimes X)_{\text{loc}} \subset C_X(T).$$

(2) If T is compact, then $(C_\Gamma(T) \otimes X)_{\text{loc}} = C_\Gamma(T) \otimes X$.

Proof. Statement (1) is evident. The proof of (2) is immediate, using a partition of unity (p.u.) on T . ■

Remark 1. If $u \in (C_\Gamma(T) \otimes X)_{\text{loc}}$ and K is a compact subset of T , then $u|_K \in C_\Gamma(K) \otimes X$.

2.2. The uniform density of $(C_\Gamma(T) \otimes X)_{\text{loc}}$ in $C_X(T)$

THEOREM 1. *Consider $u \in C_X(T)$. If T or $u(T)$ is paracompact or if $u \in C_{\text{tb}}(T, X)$, then for every $W \in \mathcal{V}_X(0)$, there exists an approximant $u_W \in (C_\Gamma(T) \otimes X)_{\text{loc}}$, such that:*

- (1) $(u - u_W)(T) \subset W$, $u_W(T) \subset \text{co}(u(T))$, $\text{supp } u_W \subset u^{-1}(X \setminus \{0\})$,
- (2) $u_W = \sum_{i \in I} \varphi_i(\cdot) x_i$, with $(x_i)_{i \in I} \subset u(T)$ and $(\varphi_i)_{i \in I}$ p.u. on T . Moreover, if $u \in C_{\text{tb}}(T, X)$, then I can be choosen as a finite set and, consequently, $u_W \in C_\Gamma(T) \otimes X$.

Proof. Fix $W \in \mathcal{V}_X(0)$. We can certainly assume that W is open and convex. If $u \in C_{\text{tb}}(T, X)$, then $\exists A_0 \subset u(T)$, such that A_0 is finite and $u(T) \subset A_0 + 2^{-1}W$. Set $A := A_0$ if $u \in C_{\text{tb}}(T, X)$, and $A := u(T)$, otherwise. Thus, $u(T) \subset A + W$, and so $T = \bigcup_{x \in A} u^{-1}(x + W)$. There are three cases to consider:

(a) If T is paracompact, then $\exists (\varphi_x)_{x \in A}$ p.u. on T , subordinated to the open covering $(u^{-1}(x + W))_{x \in A}$ of T .

(b) If $u(T)$ is paracompact, then $\exists (\psi_x)_{x \in A}$ p.u. on $u(T)$, subordinated to the open covering $((x + W) \cap u(T))_{x \in A}$ of $u(T)$. For $x \in A$, set $\varphi_x := \psi_x \circ u$. Hence, $\text{supp } \varphi_x \subset u^{-1}(\text{supp } \psi_x) \subset u^{-1}(x + W) \forall x \in A$.

(c) If $u \in C_{\text{tb}}(T, X)$, then A is finite and $u(T) \subset A + 2^{-1}W$. Define the map $\omega : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$, $\omega(z) = 0 \vee [1 - 2p_W(z)]$, where p_W means Minkowski's functional associated to W . Clearly, ω is continuous and $\text{supp } \omega \subset 2^{-1}\bar{W}$. For every $x \in A$, define $\omega_x : u(T) \rightarrow [0, 1]$, $\omega_x(z) = \omega(z - x)$. But $\forall z \in u(T) \subset A + 2^{-1}W$, $\exists x \in A$, such that $z \in x + 2^{-1}W$, which gives $\omega_x(z) = \omega(z - x) > 0$. Since $\sum_{y \in A} \omega_y > 0$ on $u(T)$, we can define the map $\psi_x = (\sum_{y \in A} \omega_y)^{-1} \omega_x : u(T) \rightarrow [0, 1]$, $\varphi_x := \psi_x \circ u \forall x \in A$. Clearly, $\text{supp } \psi_x \subset (x + 2^{-1}\bar{W}) \cap u(T) \subset (x + W) \cap u(T)$, $\text{supp } \varphi_x \subset u^{-1}(\text{supp } \psi_x) \subset u^{-1}(x + W) \forall x \in A$.

In all the above three cases, $(\varphi_x)_{x \in A}$ p.u. on T , subordinated to the open covering $(u^{-1}(x + W))_{x \in A}$ of T . Now set $v := \sum_{x \in A} \varphi_x(\cdot) x \in (C_\Gamma(T) \otimes X)_{\text{loc}}$. Obviously, $v(T) \subset \text{co}(u(T))$. We next show that $(u - v)(T) \subset W$. Fix $t \in T$ and set $A_t := \{x \in A \mid \varphi_x(t) \neq 0\}$. Thus, A_t is finite, $\sum_{x \in A_t} \varphi_x(t) = 1$ and $\forall x \in A_t$, we have $t \in \text{supp } \varphi_x \subset u^{-1}(x + W)$, and so $(u - v)(t) = \sum_{x \in A_t} \varphi_x(t)(u(t) - x) \in \sum_{x \in A_t} \varphi_x(t)W = W$. Therefore, $(u - v)(T) \subset W$. We need consider two cases:

(i) If $0 \notin u(T)$, then $u^{-1}(X \setminus \{0\}) = T \supset \text{supp } v$, and so $u_W := v$ satisfies all required properties.

(ii) If $0 \in u(T)$, choose $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$. Clearly, $\varepsilon p \bar{W} \subset \overset{\circ}{W} = W$. Define the maps $\psi : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$, $\psi(x) = (0 \vee \frac{p_W(x) - \varepsilon}{1 - \varepsilon}) \wedge 1$, $\varphi = \psi \circ u : T \rightarrow [0, 1]$ and $u_W = \varphi v \in (C_\Gamma(T) \otimes X)_{\text{loc}}$. For every $t \in T$, we have the equivalences:

$$\varphi(t) = 1 \Leftrightarrow p_W(u(t)) \geq 1 \Leftrightarrow u(t) \in X \setminus W \Leftrightarrow t \in T \setminus u^{-1}(W),$$

$$\varphi(t) = 0 \Leftrightarrow p_W(u(t)) \leq \varepsilon \Leftrightarrow u(t) \in \varepsilon \bar{W} \Leftrightarrow t \in u^{-1}(\varepsilon \bar{W}).$$

Since $v(T) \subset \text{co}(u(T))$, $0 \in u(T)$, $0 \leq \varphi \leq 1$ and $u_W = \varphi v + (1 - \varphi)0$, it follows that $u_W(T) \subset \text{co}(u(T))$, $\text{supp } u_W \subset \text{supp } \varphi = T \setminus u^{-1}(\varepsilon \bar{W}) \subset T \setminus u^{-1}(\varepsilon W) = u^{-1}(X \setminus \varepsilon W) \subset u^{-1}(X \setminus \{0\})$. It remains to prove that $(u - u_W)(T) \subset W$. We have $u - u_W = u - \varphi v = (1 - \varphi)u + \varphi(u - v)$. If $t \in T \setminus u^{-1}(W)$, then $(u - u_W)(t) = (u - v)(t) \in (u - v)(T) \subset W$. If $t \in u^{-1}(W)$, then $(u - u_W)(t) \in (1 - \varphi(t))W + \varphi(t)W = W$. Therefore, $(u - u_W)(T) \subset W$. ■

COROLLARY 1. *If T is quasi-compact, then for all $u \in C_X(T)$ and $W \in \mathcal{V}_X(0)$, there exists an approximant $u_W \in C_\Gamma(T) \otimes X$, such that*

$$(u - u_W)(T) \subset W, \quad u_W(T) \subset \text{co}(u(T)), \quad \text{supp } u_W \subset u^{-1}(X \setminus \{0\}).$$

COROLLARY 2. $C_{\text{tb}}(T, \Gamma) \otimes X$ is uniformly dense in $C_{\text{tb}}(T, X)$.

2.3. The case of $C_0(T, \Gamma) \otimes X \subset C_\infty(T, X)$

THEOREM 2. *Assume that T and X are Hausdorff. If $u \in C_\infty(T, X)$, then for all $W \in \mathcal{V}_X(0)$ and K a compact subset of T , there exists an approximant $u_{W,K} \in C_0(T, \Gamma) \otimes X$, such that:*

(1) $(u - u_{W,K})(T) \subset W$, $u_{W,K}(T) \subset \text{co}(u(T) \cup \{0\})$, $u_{W,K}(K) \subset \text{co}(u(T))$, $\text{supp } u_{W,K} \subset u^{-1}(X \setminus \{0\})$,

(2) $u_{W,K} = \varphi \cdot \sum_{i \in I} \varphi_i(\cdot) x_i$, with I finite, $(x_i)_{i \in I} \subset u(T)$, $(\varphi_i)_{i \in I}$ p.u. on T and $\varphi : T \rightarrow [0, 1]$ a continuous map, such that $\varphi|_K \equiv 1$.

Proof. We can assume that $u \neq 0$, that is $\exists t_0 \in T$, with $u(t_0) \neq 0$. Now fix $W \in \mathcal{V}_X(0)$, W convex and $K \subset T$, K compact. Set $M := K$ if $0 \notin u(K)$, and $M := \{t_0\}$ if $0 \in u(K)$. Since $u \in C_\infty(T, X) \subset C_{\text{tb}}(T, X)$, by Theorem 1, $\exists v = \sum_{i \in I} \varphi_i(\cdot) x_i \in C_\Gamma(T) \otimes X$, such that $(u - v)(T) \subset W$, $v(T) \subset \text{co}(u(T))$, $\text{supp } v \subset u^{-1}(X \setminus \{0\})$, with I finite, $(x_i)_{i \in I} \subset u(T)$ and $(\varphi_i)_{i \in I}$ p.u. on T . Since $0 \notin u(M)$ and $u(M)$ is compact, $\exists W_0 \in \mathcal{V}_X(0)$, such that $W_0 \subset W$, W_0 open and convex and $u(M) \cap W_0 = \emptyset$, that is $M \subset u^{-1}(X \setminus W_0)$. Now define $\psi : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$, $\psi(x) = [0 \vee (2p_{W_0}(x) - 1)] \wedge 1$, $\varphi = \psi \circ u : T \rightarrow [0, 1]$, $w := \varphi v \in C_\Gamma(T) \otimes X$. For every $t \in T$, we have the following equivalences:

$$\varphi(t) = 1 \Leftrightarrow 2p_{W_0}(u(t)) \geq 2 \Leftrightarrow u(t) \notin W_0 \Leftrightarrow t \in u^{-1}(X \setminus W_0),$$

$$\varphi(t) = 0 \Leftrightarrow 2p_{W_0}(u(t)) \leq 1 \Leftrightarrow 2u(t) \in \bar{W}_0 \Leftrightarrow t \in u^{-1}(2^{-1}\bar{W}_0).$$

Clearly, $w(T) \subset [0, 1] \cdot v(T) \subset \text{co}(u(T) \cup \{0\})$. Since $M \subset u^{-1}(X \setminus W_0)$, we have $\varphi|_M \equiv 1$, and so $w(M) = v(M) \subset v(T) \subset \text{co}(u(T))$ and $\text{supp } \varphi = \overline{u^{-1}(X \setminus 2^{-1}\bar{W}_0)} \subset u^{-1}(X \setminus 2^{-1}W_0)$ compact. Hence, $w \in C_0(T, \Gamma) \otimes X$, $\text{supp } w \subset \text{supp } \varphi \subset u^{-1}(X \setminus \{0\})$. We next show that $(u - w)(T) \subset W$. If

$t \in u^{-1}(X \setminus W_0)$, then $(u - w)(t) = (u - v)(t) \in W$ and if $t \in u^{-1}(W_0)$, then $(u - w)(t) = (1 - \varphi(t))u(t) + \varphi(t)(u - v)(t) \in (1 - \varphi(t))W_0 + \varphi(t)W \subset W$. Hence, $(u - w)(T) \subset W$. If $M \neq K$, then $0 \in u(K)$, and so $w(K) \subset w(T) \subset \text{co}(u(T) \cup \{0\}) = \text{co}(u(T))$ and $w = 1 \cdot (\sum_{i \in I} (\varphi \varphi_i)x_i + (1 - \varphi) \cdot 0)$. We conclude that $u_{W,K} := w$ satisfies all required properties. ■

3. APPLICATIONS OF SPECIAL APPROXIMATIONS

3.1. The density of $C_0(T, \Gamma) \otimes X$ in $C_0(T, X)$ with respect to the inductive limit topology

The following theorem is due to the constraint on the approximant's support.

THEOREM 3. *Assume that T and X are Hausdorff. If $u \in C_0(T, X)$, then for every $V \in \mathcal{V}_{C_0(T, X)}(0)$ with respect to the inductive limit topology, there exists an approximant $u_v \in C_0(T, \Gamma) \otimes X$, such that:*

- (1) $u - u_v \in V$, $u_v(T) \subset \text{co}(u(T))$, $\text{supp } u_v \subset u^{-1}(X \setminus \{0\})$,
- (2) $u_v = \sum_{i \in I} \varphi_i(\cdot)x_i$, with I finite, $(x_i)_{i \in I} \subset u(T)$ and $(\varphi_i)_{i \in I}$ p.u. on T .

Proof. We can certainly assume that $0 \in u(T)$, since otherwise T is compact and the conclusion is given by Theorem 1. Fix $V \in \mathcal{V}_{C_0(T, X)}(0)$ and set $K := \text{supp } u$, $C_0(T, X)_K := \{w \in C_0(T, X) \mid \text{supp } w \subset K\}$. Since $V \cap C_0(T, X)_K$ is a neighborhood of the origin in $C_0(T, X)_K$ with respect to the uniform convergence topology, $\exists W \in \mathcal{V}_X(0)$, such that $\{w \in C_0(T, X)_K \mid w(T) \subset W\} \subset V \cap C_0(T, X)_K$. Now Theorem 2 shows that $\exists v = \varphi \cdot \sum_{i \in I} \varphi_i(\cdot)x_i \in C_0(T, \Gamma) \otimes X$, with I finite, $(x_i)_{i \in I} \subset u(T)$, $(\varphi_i)_{i \in I}$ p.u. on T , $\varphi : T \rightarrow [0, 1]$ continuous, $\varphi|_K \equiv 1$, and such that $(u - v)(T) \subset W$, $v(T) \subset \text{co}(u(T))$, $\text{supp } v \subset u^{-1}(X \setminus \{0\}) \subset K$. We thus get $u - v \in C_0(T, X)_K$, $(u - v)(T) \subset W$, and so $u - v \in V$. Since $v = \sum_{i \in I} (\varphi \varphi_i)x_i + (1 - \varphi) \cdot 0$, $u_v := v$ satisfies all required properties. ■

COROLLARY 3. *If T, X are Hausdorff, then $C_0(T, \Gamma) \otimes X$ is dense in $C_0(T, X)$ with respect to the inductive limit topology. Moreover, if X is metrizable, then this density is sequential.*

Proof. The proof is immediate, with Theorem 3. ■

3.2. A Tietze–Dugundji's type extension theorem

In this subsection, T denotes a topological space and X a Γ -locally convex Hausdorff space. The following two lemmas emphasize the existing connection between approximation and extension theorems.

LEMMA 1. Assume that X is also a Fréchet space. Then, for every subset $F \subset T$, the following two statements are equivalent:

(1) For all $u \in C_X(F)$ and $W \in \mathcal{V}_X(0)$, there exists $u_W \in C_X(T)$, such that $(u - u_W)(F) \subset W$.

(2) For every $u \in C_X(F)$, there exists $\tilde{u} \in C_X(T)$, such that $\tilde{u}|_F = u$ and $\tilde{u}(T) \subset \text{co}(\overline{u(F)})$.

Proof. It is to prove $(1) \Rightarrow (2)$. Let us first show that $\forall u \in C_X(F)$, $\forall W \in \mathcal{V}_X(0), \exists v \in C_X(T)$, with $(u - v)(F) \subset W, v(T) \subset \text{co}(u(F)) + W$. Fix $u \in C_X(F), W \in \mathcal{V}_X(0)$ and choose $W_0 \in \mathcal{V}_X(0), W_0$ balanced, convex, such that $2W_0 \subset W$. According to our hypothesis, $\exists w \in C_X(T)$, with $(u - w)(F) \subset W_0$. It follows that $\overline{w(F)} \subset w(F) + W_0 \subset \text{co}(u(F)) + 2W_0$, and so $\text{co}(\overline{w(F)}) \subset \text{co}(u(F)) + 2W_0 \subset \text{co}(u(F)) + W$. Now define the map $\tilde{f} : w(F) \rightarrow X, \tilde{f}(x) = x$. By Dugundji's theorem, $\exists \tilde{f} \in C_X(X)$, such that $\tilde{f}|_{\overline{w(F)}} = \tilde{f}$ and $\tilde{f}(X) \subset \text{co}(\overline{w(F)})$. Set $v := \tilde{f} \circ w \in C_X(T)$. It follows that $v|_{\overline{w(F)}} = \tilde{f} \circ w|_F = w|_F, (u - v)(F) = (u - w)(F) \subset W_0 \subset W, v(T) \subset \tilde{f}(X) \subset \text{co}(\overline{w(F)}) \subset \text{co}(u(F)) + W$. To finally prove (2), fix again $u \in C_X(F)$. Since X is metrizable, we can choose $(W_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ a fundamental system of convex neighborhoods of the origin in X , with $2W_{n+1} \subset W_n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$. For $u_0 := u \in C_X(F), \exists v_0 \in C_X(T)$, such that $(u_0 - v_0)(F) \subset W_0$ and $v_0(T) \subset \text{co}(u_0(F)) + W_0$. Set $u_1 := u_0 - v_0|_F \in C_X(F)$. Thus, we can inductively define $(u_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset C_X(F), (v_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset C_X(T)$, such that $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, we have: $(u_n - v_n)(F) \subset W_n, v_n(T) \subset \text{co}(u_n(F)) + W_n, u_{n+1} := u_n - v_n|_F$. Hence, $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, u_{n+1}(F) = (u_n - v_n)(F) \subset W_n, v_{n+2}(T) \subset \text{co}(u_{n+2}(F)) + W_{n+2} \subset W_{n+1} + W_{n+2} \subset 2W_{n+1} \subset W_n$. Therefore, $u_n \xrightarrow{u} 0$ on F and $\sum_{n \geq 0} v_n$ is uniformly convergent on T . Set $v := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} v_n \in C_X(T)$. But $\forall t \in F$, we have $v(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=0}^n v_j(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=0}^n (u_j(t) - u_{j+1}(t)) = u(t)$, and so $v|_F = u$. As before, $\exists \tilde{g} \in C_X(X)$, with $\tilde{g}(x) = x \forall x \in \overline{u(F)}$ and $\tilde{g}(X) \subset \text{co}(\overline{u(F)})$. For $\tilde{u} := \tilde{g} \circ v \in C_X(T)$, we clearly have $\tilde{u}|_F = u$ and $\tilde{u}(T) \subset \text{co}(\overline{u(F)})$. ■

LEMMA 2. Assume that X is also a Fréchet space. Then, for every subset $F \subset T$, the following two statements are equivalent:

(1) For all $u \in C_{\text{tb}}(F, X)$ and $W \in \mathcal{V}_X(0)$, there exists $u_W \in C_{\text{tb}}(T, X)$, such that $(u - u_W)(F) \subset W$.

(2) For every $u \in C_{\text{tb}}(F, X)$, there exists $\tilde{u} \in C_{\text{tb}}(T, X)$, such that $\tilde{u}|_F = u$ and $\tilde{u}(T) \subset \text{co}(\overline{u(F)})$.

Proof. It is to show $(1) \Rightarrow (2)$. The proof is similar to that of Lemma 1, observing first that $\forall u \in C_{\text{tb}}(F, X), \forall W \in \mathcal{V}_X(0), \exists v \in C_{\text{tb}}(T, X)$, with $(u - v)(F) \subset W, v(T) \subset \text{co}(u(F)) + W$. Consequently, $u - v \in C_{\text{tb}}(F, X)$. Thus, the same construction as in the previous proof finally leads to the maps $v := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} v_n \in C_{\text{tb}}(T, X)$ and $\tilde{u} := \tilde{g} \circ v \in C_{\text{tb}}(T, X)$. ■

The following lemma is a variant of Theorem 1.

LEMMA 3. *Assume that T is normal. Consider a closed subset $F \subset T$ and $u \in C_X(F)$. If T is paracompact or $u \in C_{\text{tb}}(F, X)$, then for every $W \in \mathcal{V}_X(0)$, there is a $u_W \in (C_\Gamma(T) \otimes X)_{\text{loc}}$, with $(u - u_W)(F) \subset W$ and $u_W(T) \subset \text{co}(u(F))$. Moreover, if $u \in C_{\text{tb}}(F, X)$, then we can find $u_W \in C_\Gamma(T) \otimes X$.*

Proof. Fix $W \in \mathcal{V}_X(0)$, with W open and convex. If $u \in C_{\text{tb}}(F, X)$, then $\exists A_0 \subset u(F)$, with A_0 finite and $u(F) \subset A_0 + W$. Set $A := A_0$ if $u \in C_{\text{tb}}(F, X)$, and $A := u(F)$, otherwise. Therefore, $u(F) \subset A + W$, $F = u^{-1}(A + W) = \bigcup_{x \in A} u^{-1}(x + W)$. For every $x \in A$, $u^{-1}(x + W)$ is open in F , and so $\exists U_x$ open in T , with $u^{-1}(x + W) = U_x \cap F$. Thus, $T = (T \setminus F) \cup \bigcup_{x \in A} U_x = \bigcup_{x \in B} U_x$, where $B := A \cup \{A\}$, $U_A := T \setminus F$. If $u \in C_{\text{tb}}(F, X)$, then $(U_x)_{x \in B}$ is a finite open covering of T , which is a normal space. If $u \notin C_{\text{tb}}(F, X)$, then $(U_x)_{x \in B}$ is an open covering of the paracompact space T . In both cases, $\exists (\varphi_x)_{x \in B}$ p.u. on T , subordinated to $(U_x)_{x \in B}$. Hence, $\varphi_A = 1 - \sum_{x \in A} \varphi_x$, $\text{supp } \varphi_A \subset T \setminus F$. Now choose $z \in u(F)$ and consider $u_W := \sum_{x \in A} \varphi_x(\cdot)x + \varphi_A(\cdot)z \in (C_\Gamma(T) \otimes X)_{\text{loc}}$. Obviously, $u_W(T) \subset \text{co}(u(F))$. We next show that $(u - u_W)(F) \subset W$. Fix $t \in F$ and set $J := \{x \in A \mid \varphi_x(t) \neq 0\}$. Thus, $\sum_{x \in J} \varphi_x(t) = 1$, $(u - u_W)(t) = \sum_{x \in J} \varphi_x(t) \times (u(t) - x)$. But $\forall x \in J$ we have $\varphi_x(t) \neq 0$, and so $t \in \text{supp } \varphi_x \subset U_x$, $u(t) \in x + W$. We thus get $(u - u_W)(t) \in \sum_{x \in J} \varphi_x(t)W = W$. Hence, u_W satisfies all required properties. ■

THEOREM 4. *Assume that T is normal and X is Fréchet. Consider a closed subset $F \subset T$ and $u \in C_X(F)$. If T is paracompact or $u \in C_{\text{tb}}(F, X)$, then there exists $\tilde{u} \in C_X(T)$, such that $\tilde{u}|_F = u$ and $\tilde{u}(T) \subset \text{co}(u(F))$.*

Proof. By Lemma 3, F satisfies condition (1) of Lemma 1 or 2. In both cases, $\exists \tilde{u} \in C_X(T)$, such that $\tilde{u}|_F = u$ and $\tilde{u}(T) \subset \text{co}(u(F))$. ■

The above theorem is a strengthening of Theorem 3.6 [6], since u need not be a compact map (if T is paracompact) and X need not be a Banach space. For a metrizable space T , we recover Dugundji's extension theorem (see [2, 3]). The following corollary is known (see [6, Corollary 3.5, p. 54]).

COROLLARY 4. *Assume that T is completely regular and that X is metrizable. Consider a compact subset $F \subset T$ and $u \in C_X(F)$. Then, there exists $\tilde{u} \in C_X(T)$, such that $\tilde{u}|_F = u$ and $\tilde{u}(T) \subset \text{co}(u(F))$.*

Proof. Since T is completely regular, $\exists \tilde{T}$ a compact topological space, such that T is a dense subspace of \tilde{T} . Let \tilde{X} denote the completion of X . Since $u \in C_{\tilde{X}}(F)$ and F is compact in \tilde{T} , Theorem 4 shows that $\exists v \in C_{\tilde{X}}(\tilde{T})$,

such that $v|_F = u$, $v(\tilde{T}) \subset \overline{\text{co}(u(F))} = \text{co}(u(F)) \subset X$. We thus get $\tilde{u} := v|_T \in C_X(T)$, $\tilde{u}|_F = u$, $\tilde{u}(T) \subset \text{co}(u(F))$. ■

COROLLARY 5. *Assume that T is σ -compact and that X is metrizable. Consider a closed subset $F \subset T$ and $u \in C_X(F)$. Then, there exists $\tilde{u} \in C_X(T)$, such that $\tilde{u}|_F = u$ and $\tilde{u}(T) \subset \text{co}(u(F))$.*

Proof. By hypothesis, $\exists (K_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ a family of compact subsets of T , such that $T = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} K_n$ and $K_n \subset K_{n+1} \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$. Set $F_n := F \cap K_n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$. Since F_0 is compact, K_0 is normal and $u|_{F_0} \in C_X(F_0)$, by Corollary 4, $\exists u_0 \in C_X(K_0)$, with $u_0|_{F_0} = u|_{F_0}$, $u_0(K_0) \subset \text{co}(u(F_0))$. For fixed $n \in \mathbb{N}$, assume that $\exists u_n \in C_X(K_n)$, such that $u_n|_{F_n} = u|_{F_n}$, $u_n(K_n) \subset \text{co}(u(F_n))$. Define $v \in C_X(K_n \cup F_{n+1})$ by $v|_{K_n} = u_n$, $v|_{F_{n+1}} = u|_{F_{n+1}}$. By Corollary 4, it follows that $\exists u_{n+1} \in C_X(K_{n+1})$, such that $u_{n+1}|_{(K_n \cup F_{n+1})} = v$ and $u_{n+1}(K_{n+1}) \subset \text{co}(v(K_n \cup F_{n+1}))$. This easily gives $u_{n+1}|_{F_{n+1}} = u|_{F_{n+1}}$, $u_{n+1}(K_{n+1}) \subset \text{co}(u_n(K_n) \cup u(F_{n+1})) = \text{co}(u(F_{n+1}))$ and $u_{n+1}|_{K_n} = u_n$. Therefore, we can inductively define $u_n \in C_X(K_n)$, such that $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, we have $u_{n+1}|_{K_n} = u_n$, $u_n|_{F_n} = u|_{F_n}$ and $u_n(K_n) \subset \text{co}(u(F_n))$. It follows that $\exists \tilde{u} \in C_X(T)$, defined by $\tilde{u}|_{K_n} = u_n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$. Obviously, $\tilde{u}|_F = u$ and $\tilde{u}(T) \subset \text{co}(u(F))$. ■

3.3. A proof of Schauder–Tihonov’s fixed point theorem

LEMMA 4. *Let T be a topological space, Y a Γ -topological vector space and $(u_\delta)_{\delta \in \Delta} \subset C_Y(T)$, $(t_\delta)_{\delta \in \Delta} \subset T$ nets, such that $t_\delta \rightarrow t \in T$ and $u_\delta \xrightarrow{u} u$, $u : T \rightarrow Y$. Then, $u_\delta(t_\delta) \rightarrow u(t)$.*

Proof. The proof is standard. ■

The following proof is due to the constraint on the approximant’s range.

THEOREM 5 (Schauder–Tihonov). *Let X be a Γ -locally convex Hausdorff space, M a closed convex subset of X and $U : M \rightarrow M$ a completely continuous operator. Then, U has a fixed point.*

Proof. Since U is completely continuous, $K := \overline{U(M)}$ is compact in X . Clearly, $K \subset M$. On $\mathcal{W} := \{W \in \mathcal{V}_X(0) \mid W \text{ is balanced}\}$, we consider the usual order relation, given by: $W_1 \preceq W_2 \Leftrightarrow W_1 \supset W_2$. Now fix $W \in \mathcal{W}$. Since $U \in C_{\text{tb}}(M, X)$, by Theorem 1, $\exists U_W = \sum_{i \in I} \varphi_i(\cdot)x_i \in C_\Gamma(M) \otimes X$, such that $(U - U_W)(M) \subset W$, $(x_i)_{i \in I} \subset U(M)$, $(\varphi_i)_{i \in I}$ p.u. on M for some finite set I . Set $K_W := \text{co}(\{x_i \mid i \in I\}) \subset \text{co}(U(M)) \subset M$, $X_W := \text{Sp}(K_W)$. But X_W is clearly normable since it is Hausdorff and has finite dimension, K_W is convex and compact and $U_W(K_W) \subset U_W(M) \subset K_W$. Now Brouwer’s fixed point theorem shows that $\exists x_W \in K_W$, such that $U_W(x_W) = x_W$. This

leads to $x_W = U_W(x_W) \in U_W(M) \subset U(M) + W \subset K + W$, and so $\exists y_W \in K$, such that $x_W - y_W \in W$. We thus get $(U_W)_{W \in \mathcal{W}} \subset C_X(M)$, $(x_W)_{W \in \mathcal{W}} \subset M$ and $(y_W)_{W \in \mathcal{W}} \subset K$, nets with the above properties. But $(U - U_W)(M) \subset W$ and $x_W - y_W \in W \ \forall W \in \mathcal{W}$, lead to $U_W \xrightarrow{u} U$ and $x_W - y_W \rightarrow 0$. As K is compact, $(y_W)_{W \in \mathcal{W}} \subset K$ has a subnet $(y_{\varphi(\delta)})_{\delta \in \Delta}$, convergent to an element $\xi \in K$. Therefore, $U_{\varphi(\delta)} \xrightarrow{u} U$ and $x_{\varphi(\delta)} \rightarrow \xi$. Now Lemma 4 gives $x_{\varphi(\delta)} = U_{\varphi(\delta)}(x_{\varphi(\delta)}) \rightarrow U(\xi)$, and so $U(\xi) = \xi$. ■

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