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ABSTRACT

On a measure space (A, \mathcal{A}, μ) , a correspondence φ on A is a function which assigns to each a in A a nonempty subset $\varphi(a)$ of \mathbb{R}^n . Aumann has defined an integral of correspondences and has shown that if φ has certain properties then $\Phi(E) = \int_E \varphi \, d\mu$, $E \in \mathcal{A}$ defines a countably additive correspondence on \mathcal{A} . This paper offers a proof of the converse result; namely, if a correspondence Φ on \mathcal{A} satisfies certain properties, then a correspondence φ on A exists such that $\int_E \varphi \, d\mu = \Phi(E)$, $E \in \mathcal{A}$. This paper also provides conditions on φ such that every point in the set $\int_E \varphi \, d\mu$ is in fact the integral of a continuous function f such that $f(a) \in \varphi(a)$ a.e.

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Suppose \mathcal{A} is a σ -algebra with unit A and supporting a probability measure μ . Let S be a finite dimensional, real vector space. If Z is a correspondence from \mathcal{A} to S , then $Z(E)$ is a subset of S for each set E .¹ Let \mathcal{M}_Z denote the set of Z-valued measures on \mathcal{A} ; that is, $\zeta \in \mathcal{M}_Z$ implies $\zeta(E) \in Z(E)$ for every E in \mathcal{A} . This paper established conditions under which

$$Z(E) = \text{eval}_E(\mathcal{M}_Z)^2, \quad E \in \mathcal{A}.$$
³

If \mathcal{A} is a σ -field of subsets of a set A , then the preceding result is used to provide conditions under which there exists a correspondence $\varphi: A \rightleftarrows S$ such that

$$Z(E) = \int_E \varphi d\mu, \quad E \in \mathcal{A}$$

where $\int_E \varphi d\mu = \{z \in S: z = \int_E f d\mu, f \in \mathcal{L}_\varphi\}$ ⁴

where \mathcal{L}_φ is the set of integrable functions $f: A \rightarrow S$ with $f(a) \in \varphi(a)$ a.e. on A .

This Radon-Nikodym type of result can be strengthened if A is a topological space and if \mathcal{A} is the σ -field of Borel subsets of A . Letting

$$\mathcal{L}_\varphi^c = \{f \in \mathcal{L}_\varphi: f \text{ is continuous}\},$$
 conditions are stated for

¹The letters E, F, G, H will always refer to elements of \mathcal{A} . These elements will be called "sets". The operations in \mathcal{A} are "join", \cup , "meet", \cap , and "complementation", $'$. We define $E \cap F' = E \cap F'$ and $E \subset F$ if $E \cap F' = E'$. E is then called a "subset" of F . The zero element of \mathcal{A} is denoted \emptyset . E is null if $\mu(E) = 0$.

² $\text{eval}_E(\mathcal{M}_Z) = \{z \in S: z = \zeta(E), \zeta \in \mathcal{M}_Z\}$.

³This result, which is contained in Theorem 1 below, was first discovered by G. Debreu and was described to this author in a version akin to Theorem 2.

⁴This definition of the integral of a correspondence is due to Aumann [1]. It has been related to another definition by Debreu [7].

$$\int_E \varphi d\mu = \int_E^c \varphi d\mu$$

where $\int_E^c \varphi d\mu = \{z \in S: z = \int_E f d\mu, f \in \mathcal{L}_\varphi^c\}$. These results are useful in the analysis of economies with large numbers of traders.⁵

A correspondence Z on \mathcal{A} is μ -continuous if $\mu(E) = 0$ implies $Z(E) = \{0\}$. Z is countably additive if, for any disjoint sequence $\{E_n\}$ of sets,

$$Z(\cup E_n) = \Sigma Z(E_n)$$

where

$$\Sigma Z(E_n) = \{z = \lim_k \sum_{n=1}^k z_n, z_n \in Z(E_n)\},$$

where $\sum_{n=1}^k z_n$ converges absolutely to z . Z is nonempty if $Z(E)$ is nonempty for every E . Z is closed-and-convex-valued if $Z(E)$ is closed and convex for every E . Because \emptyset is disjoint from itself, the assumptions that $Z(\emptyset)$ is convex and contains 0 and that Z is (countably) additive imply that $Z(\emptyset)$ is a convex cone.

The correspondence Z is bounded below if there exists a continuous, antisymmetric vector order $\underline{\geq}$ on S and there exists an S -valued measure β such that for every E ,

$$z \in Z(E) \text{ implies } z \underline{\geq} \beta(E).$$

This condition is equivalent to requiring that there be a closed, convex cone P with a vertex 0 and containing no lines (one-dimensional linear manifolds) such that for every E , $Z(E) - \beta(E) \subset P$. Z is contained in P if $Z(E) \subset P$ for every E . The condition that Z be bounded below defines a collection of correspondences whose images may be unbounded in the usual sense, but for which

⁵For example, see [4], [5], [6], [8], [13].

many of the same results hold as for correspondences whose images are bounded. In particular, the following result holds:⁶

THEOREM 1: Let Z be a nonempty, closed- and convex-valued, countably additive, bounded below, μ -continuous correspondence from \mathcal{A} to S .

Then, for every set E ,

$$Z(E) = \text{eval}_E (\mathcal{M}_Z)$$

PROOF: The proof uses an induction argument on the dimension of S . It is necessary to prove two preparatory lemmas:

LEMMA 1: Let Z be a nonempty, countably additive correspondence and

let $p \in S$. Define a function $\sigma_p(\cdot)$ from \mathcal{A} to $\mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$ by

$$\sigma_p(E) = \sup p \cdot Z(E), \quad E \in \mathcal{A}.$$

Then $\sigma_p(\cdot)$ is countably additive.

PROOF: Let $\{E_n\}$ be a sequence of disjoint sets and let $E = \bigcup E_n$. If $z \in Z(E)$ then there exist $z_n \in Z(E_n)$ such that $z = \sum_{n=1}^k z_n$ (where $\sum_{n=1}^k z_n$ converges absolutely to z as $k \rightarrow \infty$). Hence

$$p \cdot z = \lim_k \sum_{n=1}^k p \cdot z_n \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma_p(E_n),$$

so $\sigma_p(E) \leq \sum \sigma_p(E_n)$. If $\sigma_p(E) = +\infty$, we are finished. Suppose $\sigma_p(E) < \infty$ and suppose $\sigma_p(E_n) = +\infty$ for some n . Then there exists a sequence

$\{x_k\} \subset Z(E_n)$ with $p \cdot x_k \rightarrow +\infty$. Since Z is nonempty, there exists $y \in Z(E \setminus E_n)$

so $z_k = x_k + y \in Z(E)$ and $p \cdot z_k \rightarrow +\infty$. This contradicts the assumption that

$$\sigma_p(E) < +\infty \text{ so } \sigma_p(E_n) < +\infty \text{ for all } n.$$

⁶This result can also be obtained from recent work of Rieffel, [10] and [11], if Z is compact-valued.

⁷If $p \in S$ and $K \subset S$ then

$$\sup p \cdot K = \sup \{p \cdot x : x \in K\}.$$

For any $\epsilon > 0$, choose z_n in $Z(E_n)$ satisfying

$$\sigma_p(E_n) - p \cdot z_n < \frac{\epsilon}{2^n}.$$

If $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma_p(E_n) = +\infty$ then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p \cdot z_n = +\infty$.

Let x be any point in $Z(E) = \Sigma Z(E_n)$. Then x is the absolute sum of $\{x_n\}$ where $x_n \in Z(E_n)$.

Define $y_k = \sum_{n=1}^k z_n + \sum_{n=k+1}^{\infty} x_n$. Then $y_k \in Z(E)$ for every k . However,

$$p \cdot y_k = \sum_{n=1}^k p \cdot z_n + \sum_{n=k+1}^{\infty} p \cdot x_n \rightarrow +\infty_k$$

because

$$\left| \sum_{n=k+1}^{\infty} p \cdot x_n \right| \leq \sum_{n=k+1}^{\infty} |p \cdot x_n| \rightarrow 0_k$$

since

$$\sum_{n=k+1}^{\infty} |x_n| \rightarrow 0_k.$$

This contradicts the assumption that $\sigma_p(E) < +\infty$, so $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma_p(E_n) < +\infty$.

Choose k_0 large enough so that

$$\left| p \cdot y_{k_0} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p \cdot z_n \right| < \epsilon,$$

which is possible since $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p \cdot z_n$ is finite. But then

$$\left| p \cdot y_{k_0} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma_p(E_n) \right| < 2 \epsilon.$$

Further,

$$p \cdot y_{k_0} \leq \sigma_p(E) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma_p(E_n)$$

so

$$\left| \sigma_p(E) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma_p(E_n) \right| < 2 \epsilon.$$

Letting $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$, we have

$$\sigma_p(E) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma_p(E_n) .$$

This completes the proof of LEMMA 1. A correspondence S_p can be defined for each p in S by:

$$\begin{aligned} S_p(E) &= \{z \in Z(E) : p \cdot z = \sigma_p(E)\}, \quad E \in \mathcal{A} \\ &= p^{-1}(\sigma_p(E)) \cap Z(E). \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 2: Let Z be a nonempty, countably additive correspondence and let $p \in S$.

- (i) If $S_p(E)$ is not empty for some set E , then $S_p(F)$ is not empty for any subset F of E .
- (ii) If S_p is nonempty, then it is countably additive.

PROOF: If $\{E_n\}$ is a disjoint sequence of sets and if $z \in S_p(\cup E_n)$, then there exist z_n in $Z(E_n)$ such that $z = \sum z_n$. Suppose that for some n_0 , $z_{n_0} \notin S_p(E_{n_0})$. Then there exists $y \in Z(E_{n_0})$ with $p \cdot y > p \cdot z_{n_0}$. But if $z' = y + \sum_{n \neq n_0} z_n$, then $z' \in Z(\cup E_n)$ and $p \cdot z' > p \cdot z$. This contradicts the fact that $p \cdot z = \sigma_p(\cup E_n)$. Thus $z_n \in S_p(E_n)$ for every n . This proves (i) and half of (ii): $S_p(\cup E_n) \subset \sum S_p(E_n)$.

The proof that $\sum S_p(E_n) \subset S_p(\cup E_n)$ is made by supposing $\{z_n\}$ is a sequence of vectors satisfying $z_n \in S_p(E_n)$, $n=1,2,\dots$ and $\sum_{n=1}^k z_n$ converges absolutely to some z . Then $z \in Z(\cup E_n)$ and

$$p \cdot z = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p \cdot z_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma_p(E_n) = \sigma_p(\cup E_n)$$

by LEMMA 1.

⁸ p^{-1} denotes the function which is inverse to the function $p(\cdot): x \mapsto p \cdot x$.

To prove Theorem 1, it suffices to consider only the case where Z is contained in a closed convex cone with vertex zero and containing no lines, because if Z is bounded below, then there exists a measure β such that $Z-\beta$ is contained in such a cone. But if

$$(Z-\beta)(E) = \text{eval}_E(\mathcal{M}_{Z-\beta}), \quad \text{then} \quad Z(E) = \text{eval}_E \mathcal{M}_Z.$$

The relation $\text{eval}_E \mathcal{M}_Z \subset Z(E)$ is obvious. To prove the opposite inclusion, assume that the dimension N of the vector space S is at least equal to 2. Assume also that if Z' is a nonempty, closed, convex, countably additive correspondence from \mathcal{A} to R^{N-1} satisfying $Z'(0) = \{0\}$ and, for every E , $Z'(E)$ is contained in a fixed closed convex cone P' with vertex 0 containing no lines then $Z'(E) = \text{eval}_E(\mathcal{M}_{Z'})$. This is the induction hypothesis.

Because $Z(A)$ is a closed convex set containing no lines, any point in $Z(A)$ is a (finite) convex combination of points in $\text{ext } Z(A)$ ⁹, where $\text{ext } Z(A)$ is the union of the set of extreme points of $Z(A)$ with the extreme rays of $Z(A)$.¹⁰ Further, \mathcal{M}_Z is convex. Thus it suffices to show that if $z \in \text{ext } Z(A)$, then there exists $\zeta \in \mathcal{M}_Z$ with $\zeta(A) = z$.

If $z \in \text{ext } Z(A)$, then $z \in Z(A) \cap H$, where H is some supporting hyperplane to $Z(A)$.¹¹ Hence there exists a nonzero vector p in R^N such that $H = p^{-1}(\sigma_p(A))$ and $z \in S_p(A)$. By LEMMA 2, S_p is a nonempty, countably additive correspondence. Further, for each E , $S_p(E)$ is a closed convex subset

⁹ See, for example, THEOREM 6.13, page 54 in [12].

¹⁰ A point x in a set K is an extreme point of K if there is no line segment contained in K and containing x in its interior. A ray $\{z = x_0 + tx_1, t \geq 0\}$ is an extreme ray if every line segment, which is contained in K and which intersects the ray at a point in the interior of the segment, is entirely contained in the ray.

¹¹ See [12], THEOREM 7.11, page 66.

of P . Let H_0 be the $N-1$ dimensional subspace parallel to H . The remainder of the proof of the induction step consists of showing that, for each E , $S_P(E)$ can be projected into H_0 so as to yield a correspondence satisfying the conditions of the induction hypothesis. This requires the following result.

LEMMA 3: $S \setminus (H_0 \cup P \cup (-P))$ is not empty.

PROOF: If this were not true, then $H_0 \cup P \cup (-P) = S$ and hence

$$P \cup (-P) \supset (H_0 \cup P \cup (-P)) \setminus H_0 = S \setminus H_0.$$

Let $x \in H_0^+$, the open half space above H_0 . Then $x \in P$ or $x \in -P$. Suppose $x \in P$ and let y be any other element of H_0^+ . Suppose $y \in -P$. Now the line segment $[x,y]$ connecting x and y is in H_0^+ and $0 \notin [x,y]$. But then

$$[x,y] = \{[x,y] \cap P\} \cup \{[x,y] \cap (-P)\}$$

is a union of two nonempty, disjoint closed sets which contradicts the connectedness of $[x,y]$. Thus $y \in P$ so $H_0^+ \subset P$ and $H_0^- \subset -P$. This contradicts the assumption that P contains no lines. Similarly, if $x \in -P$, then $H_0^+ \subset -P$ and $H_0^- \subset P$ which is also impossible. Thus the LEMMA is correct.

Let L be the line through 0 generated by any point in $S \setminus (H_0 \cup P \cup (-P))$. Then $L \cap (H_0 \cup P \cup (-P)) = \{0\}$. Let P' be the projection of P into H_0 along L . P' is a convex cone with vertex 0 because projection is a linear mapping. Further,

LEMMA 4: P' is closed.

PROOF: Let y be any point in H_0 which is not in P' . This means that $y + L$ is disjoint from P . We want to find a neighborhood V in H_0 of y which is disjoint from P' . Let

$$W_\epsilon = \{w \in S : |w - (y + z)| < \epsilon \quad \text{for some } z \in L\}$$

be an ϵ -neighborhood of $y + L$. Then it suffices to show that for some $\epsilon > 0$, $W_\epsilon \cap P = \emptyset$.

Suppose this is not true, so for $n=1,2,\dots$ there exist x_n in P and z_n in L such that

$$|x_n - y - z_n| < 1/n.$$

If $\{z_n\}$ has a convergent subsequence $\{z'_n\}$, then its limit z is also in L . Further, for any n and m ,

$$\begin{aligned} |x'_n - x'_m| &\leq |x'_n - y - z'_n| + |z'_n - z'_m| + |x'_m - y - z'_m| \\ &\leq 1/n + 1/m + |z'_n - z'_m| \end{aligned}$$

so $\{x'_n\}$ is Cauchy. If x is the limit of $\{x'_n\}$, then x is in P .

Further

$$|x - y - z| \leq |x - x'_n| + |x'_n - y - z'_n| + |z'_n - z| \rightarrow 0.$$

Thus $y + z = x \in P$. But then $y \in P'$ which contradicts our hypothesis.

Thus $\{z_n\}$ has no convergent subsequence, and hence $\{z_n\}$ is unbounded. Choose a subsequence $\{z'_n\}$ for which $|z'_n| \rightarrow +\infty$. This subsequence contains a subsequence $\{z''_n\}$ such that $\frac{z''_n}{|z''_n|}$ converges to some z in L . But

$$\left| z - \frac{x''_n}{|z''_n|} \right| \leq \left| z - \frac{z''_n}{|z''_n|} \right| + \left| \frac{z''_n + y}{|z''_n|} - \frac{x''_n}{|z''_n|} \right| + \frac{|y|}{|z''_n|}$$

so $\frac{x''_n}{|z''_n|} \rightarrow z$ also. Hence $z \in P \cap L$ which is impossible since $z \neq 0$.

Thus there exists $\epsilon > 0$ such that W_ϵ is disjoint from P .

LEMMA 5: P' contains no lines.

PROOF: Suppose P' contains a line, which will be represented:

$$L_1 = \{z = x + \lambda y, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

where x is some vector in P' and y is some nonzero vector in H_0 . It will be shown that the line

$$L_2 = \{z = \lambda y, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

is also in P' : Let λy be a point in L_2 . Then set

$$y_t = t(x + \lambda y) + (1-t)\lambda y, \quad t \in (0,1).$$

Then

$$\frac{1}{t} y_t = x + \lambda y + \frac{1-t}{t} \lambda y = x + \frac{\lambda}{t} y \in L_1 \subset P'.$$

Thus y_t is a convex combination of the vectors 0 and $\frac{1}{t} y_t$, both of which are in P' , so $y_t \in P'$ for $t \in (0,1)$. But $y_t \rightarrow \lambda y$ as $t \rightarrow 0$ and P' is closed so $\lambda y \in P'$. Since λ was arbitrary, $L_2 \subset P'$.

This shows, in particular, that $y \in P'$ and $-y \in P'$. Hence there exist vectors z and w in L such that $y + z \in P$ and $-y + w \in P$. If $z = -w$, then $0 \neq y + z \in P$ and $-(y + z) = -y + w \in P$. This is impossible since $P \cap (-P) = \{0\}$; that is, P contains no lines. Thus

$$0 \neq \frac{1}{2} (z + w) = \frac{1}{2} (y + z) + \frac{1}{2} (-y + w) \in P.$$

But $\frac{1}{2} (z + w) \in L$ also, which contradicts the disjointness of $P \setminus \{0\}$ and $L \setminus \{0\}$. Thus P' contains no lines.

In summary P' , which is the projection of P into H_0 , is a closed convex cone with vertex 0 containing no lines. For each E , let $S'_p(E)$

be the projection of $S_p(E)$ into H_0 along L and let $\delta(E)$ be the projection of $S_p(E)$ into L along H_0 . Because $S_p(E)$ is contained in a translate of H_0 , $\delta(E)$ is a singleton. It is convenient to treat δ as a function, rather than a correspondence, on \mathcal{A} .

Let $\text{proj}_L(\cdot)$ be the continuous linear function which maps each x in S into its projection into L along H_0 . To show that δ is a countably additive function, choose any $x \in S_p(\cup E_n)$ where $\{E_n\}$ is some disjoint sequence of sets. Because S_p is countably additive, there exist x_n in $S_p(E_n)$ such that the sum $\sum x_n$ converges absolutely to x . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^k \delta(E_n) &= \sum_{n=1}^k \text{proj}_L(x_n) \\ &= \text{proj}_L \left(\sum_{n=1}^k x_n \right) \\ &\xrightarrow{k} \text{proj}_L(x) = \delta(\cup E_n) . \end{aligned}$$

In particular, the sum $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \delta(E_n)$ is independent of the order of summation.

For each E , $S'_p(E)$ is a translate of $S_p(E)$ which is nonempty, closed and convex. Hence S'_p is nonempty, closed, convex and P' -valued. Further, $S'_p = S_p - \delta$ so S'_p is countably additive. Thus S'_p satisfies the conditions of the induction hypothesis. If z is any point in $S'_p(A) = Z(A) \cap H$, then $z = y + \delta(A)$ where $y \in S'_p(A)$. By the induction hypothesis, there exists a measure ζ' on \mathcal{A} such that $\zeta'(E) \in S'_p(E)$ for all E and $\zeta'(A) = y$. Then $\zeta' + \delta \in \mathcal{M}_Z$ and $(\zeta' + \delta)(A) = z$.

This completes the proof of the fact that if the induction hypothesis holds then $Z(A) = \text{eval}_A(\mathcal{M}_Z)$. If E is a proper subset of A , then the preceding remarks show that for each $z \in Z(E)$ there exists a measure ζ' on \mathcal{A}_E , the σ -algebra of subsets of E , such that $\zeta'(F) \in Z(F)$ for every $F \subset E$ and

$\zeta'(E) = z$. Similarly, there exists a measure ζ'' on $\mathcal{A}_{A \setminus E}$ satisfying $\zeta''(F) \in Z(F)$ for every $F \subset A \setminus E$. If ζ' and ζ'' are extended to all of \mathcal{A} in an obvious way, then $\zeta' + \zeta'' \in \mathcal{M}_Z$ and $(\zeta' + \zeta'')(E) = z$. Thus, under the induction hypothesis, $Z(E) = \text{eval}_E(\mathcal{M}_Z)$.

To complete the proof of THEOREM 1, it is only necessary to consider the case where $N = 1$; that is, where $Z(E)$ is a subset of the real line. $Z(E)$ is nonempty, closed, convex and contains no lines so it is either a singleton, an interval or a half line. Define

$$\mathcal{H}_1 = \{H \in \mathcal{A} : Z(H) \text{ is a singleton}\}.$$

Then \mathcal{H}_1 is closed under countable unions and hence there exists a set $H_1 \in \mathcal{H}_1$ such that

$$\mu(H_1) = \sup\{\mu(H) : H \in \mathcal{H}_1\}.$$

If E is any subset of H_1 , then $Z(E)$ is a singleton. If E is any nonnull set disjoint from H_1 , then $Z(E)$ contains more than one point. It is clear that $Z(E) = \text{eval}_E(\mathcal{M}_{Z|H_1})$ holds for any $E \subset H_1$, where $\mathcal{M}_{Z|H_1}$ is the set of S -valued measures ζ on \mathcal{A}_{H_1} such that $\zeta(E) \in Z(E)$ for $E \in \mathcal{A}_{H_1}$.

Define

$$\mathcal{H}_2 = \{H \in \mathcal{A} : Z(H) \text{ is a bounded, nondegenerate interval}\},$$

and let $s = \sup\{\mu(H) : H \in \mathcal{H}_2\}$. For every $n=1,2,\dots$ there exists $G_n \in \mathcal{H}_2$ satisfying $s - \mu(G_n) < 1/n$. Let

$$H_2 = \bigcup G_n \quad \text{and} \quad F_n = G_n \setminus \left(\bigcup_{k=1}^{n-1} G_k \right).$$

It suffices to show for each n that if $E \subset F_n$ then $Z(E) = \text{eval}_E(\mathcal{M}_{Z|F_n})$. But since $Z(F_n)$ is a bounded interval, there exist p and p' in \mathbb{R} such that $S_p(F_n)$ and $S_{p'}(F_n)$ are singletons and $Z(F_n) = \langle S_p(F_n), S_{p'}(F_n) \rangle$,

the convex hull of $\{S_p(F_n), S_{p'}(F_n)\}$. By LEMMA 2, S_p and $S_{p'}$ are countably additive on \mathcal{A}_{F_n} and so can be considered elements of $\mathcal{M}_{Z|F_n}$. Further, $\mathcal{M}_{Z|F_n}$ is convex. It is then clear that $Z(E) = \text{eval}_E(\mathcal{M}_{Z|F_n})$ if $E \in \mathcal{A}_{F_n}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$.

Let $H_3 = A \setminus (H_1 \cup H_2)$ ¹². If H_3 is null, the proof is finished. Otherwise, for every nonnull subset F of H_3 , $Z(F)$ is a half-line. If $p \in -P$ and if z is any point in $Z(F)$, then $z \geq S_p(F)$ (where \geq is the order induced on R by P). Define

$$\zeta = S_p|_{H_3} + \frac{(z - S_p(F))}{\mu(F)} \mu|_{H_3}.$$

Then LEMMA 2 implies that $\zeta \in \mathcal{M}_{Z|H_3}$ and $\zeta(F) = z$. Thus $Z(F) = \text{eval}_F(\mathcal{M}_{Z|H_3})$.

This completes the proof of THEOREM 1.

It will now be shown that THEOREM 1 yields a Radon-Nikodym theorem for countably additive correspondences. The following LEMMA is needed:

LEMMA 6: If $\{p_n\}$ is any countable dense subset of S and if K is a nonempty closed convex set containing no lines, then $K = \bigcap_n H_n^-$ where $H_n^- = \{z \in S: p_n \cdot z \leq \sup p_n \cdot K\}$.

PROOF: It is clear that K is contained in the intersection specified above. Conversely suppose there exists $x \notin K$. Then there exists a vector p such that $\sup p \cdot K < p \cdot x$. If y is any element of K , then there exists $z \in [x, y]$ such that $\sup p \cdot K < p \cdot z < p \cdot x$. We can suppose without loss of generality that $z = 0$ by translating by $-z$.

¹²If H_2 is empty, let H_2 be the empty subset of A . The μ -continuity of Z implies that H_1 is not empty.

Let P be the smallest closed convex cone with vertex 0 containing K ; that is, P is the projecting cone of K with respect to 0 . If $A(K)$ is the asymptotic cone of K , then it can be shown (see [12] THEOREM 5.12) that

$$(1) \quad P = \bigcup_{\lambda > 0} \lambda K \cup A(K) .$$

It can also be shown (see [12] THEOREM 5.7) that if u is any vector in K , then

$$(2) \quad A(K) = \{zeS: u + \lambda z \in K, \text{ for every } \lambda \geq 0\} .$$

This implies that $A(K) + u \subset K$.

We shall show that P contains no lines by assuming that P contains a line L and by then finding a contradiction. Because P is a closed convex cone with vertex 0 , it suffices to consider the case where $0 \in L$.¹³ By (1), we first consider the case $L \subset A(K)$. Then by (2), $L + u \subset A(K) + u \subset K$ which contradicts the assumption that K contains no lines. Thus there exists $y_0 \in L$ satisfying $y_0 \notin A(K)$. This means that

$$L^+ = \{yeS: y = \lambda y_0, \text{ some } \lambda > 0\}$$

is disjoint from $A(K)$. Define

$$L^- = \{yeS: y = \lambda y_0, \text{ some } \lambda \leq 0\} .$$

Suppose $L^- \subset A(K)$. Now $L^+ \subset \bigcup_{\lambda > 0} \lambda K$ so there exists $veL^+ \cap K$.

Then $-veL^- \subset A(K)$ so there exist $\lambda_n > 0$ and $x_n \in K$ such that $\lambda_n \rightarrow 0$ and $\lambda_n x_n \rightarrow -v$. For any $\epsilon > 0$, choose M so $|\lambda_n x_n - (-v)| < \epsilon$. Define

¹³See the first part of the proof of LEMMA 5.

$$z = \frac{v}{1+\lambda_M} + \frac{\lambda_M}{1+\lambda_M} x_M$$

which is an element of K since K is convex. But

$$|z| \leq |v + \lambda_M x_M| < \epsilon .$$

Since ϵ was arbitrary and K is closed, $0 \in K$. This is false and so we conclude that $L^- \cap A(K) = \{0\}$.

We assumed that $L^- \subset P$ so $L^- \subset \bigcup_{\lambda > 0} \lambda K$. In particular, $-v = \lambda_0 v_0$ for some $\lambda_0 > 0$ and $v_0 \in K$ where v is the element of $L^+ \cap K$ chosen in the preceding paragraph. But then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= v - v \\ &= v + \lambda_0 v_0 \\ &= \frac{1}{1+\lambda_0} v + \frac{\lambda_0}{1+\lambda_0} v_0 \in K . \end{aligned}$$

But $0 \notin K$ so $L^- \not\subset P$. Thus P contains no lines.

Let $P^\circ = \{z \in S: z \cdot y \leq 0 \text{ for every } y \in P\}$ be the polar of P , let $S' = P^\circ - P^\circ$ be the subspace generated by P° and let $(S')^\perp$ be the orthogonal complement of S' . If $x \in (S')^\perp$ then $x \in P^{\circ\circ} = P$ so $(S')^\perp \subset P$. Because P contains no lines, $(S')^\perp$ has dimension 0 and $S' = S$. Thus P° has a non-empty interior.

Because $\sup p \cdot K < 0$, $K \subset \{z \in S: p \cdot z \leq 0\}$ which is a closed convex cone with vertex 0. Hence $P \subset \{z \in S: p \cdot z \leq 0\}$ so $p \in P^\circ$, where p was chosen in the first paragraph of this proof. Because P° is convex and has a nonempty interior, any neighborhood of p contains a set which is a subset of P° and which is an open set in S . But then this neighborhood contains an element of the sequence $\{p_n\}$ which is dense in S . Thus there

exists a subsequence $\{p'_n\}$ of $\{p_n\}$ such that $p'_n \in P^0$ and $p'_n \rightarrow p$. Because $p'_n \in P^0$, $\sup p'_n \cdot K \leq 0$ for every n . Because $p'_n \rightarrow p$, there exists n_0 such that $p'_{n_0} \cdot x > 0$. Thus $x \notin \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} H_n^-$. This ends the proof of LEMMA 6.

Let \mathcal{A} be a σ -field of subsets of a set A and let μ be a probability measure on \mathcal{A} . \mathcal{A}_μ will denote the μ -completion of \mathcal{A} ; that is, $E \in \mathcal{A}_\mu$ if and only if there exist F and G in \mathcal{A} such that $\mu(G) = 0$ and $E = F \cup H$ for some subset H of G . A correspondence φ from A to S is measurable if the graph of φ ,

$$G_\varphi = \{(a, x) \in A \times S : x \in \varphi(a)\},$$

is an element of $\mathcal{A}_\mu \otimes \mathcal{B}$, the product σ -field on $A \times S$ generated by \mathcal{A}_μ and \mathcal{B} , the Borel subsets of S . \mathcal{L}_φ is defined to be the collection of μ -integrable functions f from A to S such that for almost every $a \in A$, $f(a) \in \varphi(a)$. We then define the integral of a measurable correspondence φ on A by

$$\int_E \varphi \, d\mu = \left\{ \int_E f \, d\mu : \text{some } f \text{ in } \mathcal{L}_\varphi \right\}.$$

If Z is μ -continuous, define \mathcal{L}_Z to be the collection of μ -integrable functions f from A to S such that there exists $\xi \in \mathcal{M}_Z$ satisfying $f(a) = \frac{d\xi}{d\mu}(a)$ for almost every $a \in A$.

THEOREM 2. If Z is a nonempty, closed, convex, bounded below, countably additive, μ -continuous correspondence on \mathcal{A} , then there exists a measurable, closed-and convex-valued correspondence φ on A such that for every coalition E ,

$$Z(E) = \int_E \varphi \, d\mu.$$

PROOF: Let $\{p_n\}$ be a countable dense subset of S . For each n , define

$$\sigma_n(E) = \sup p_n \cdot Z(E).$$

σ_n is $R \cup \{+\infty\}$ -valued, countably additive (by LEMMA 1) and μ -continuous.

Thus there exists a measurable function s_n from A to $R \cup \{+\infty\}$ such that

for every E , $\sigma_n(E) = \int_E s_n d\mu$.¹⁴ φ_n is defined by:

$$\varphi_n(a) = \{x \in S: p_n \cdot x \leq s_n(a)\}, \quad a \in A,$$

and φ is defined by:

$$\varphi(a) = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \varphi_n(a), \quad a \in A.$$

Since $G_\varphi = \bigcap_n G_{\varphi_n}$, it suffices to show $G_{\varphi_n} \in \mathcal{A}_\mu \otimes \mathcal{B}$ for each n .

To simplify notation, the subscript n will be dropped from s_n . φ_n will be replaced by ψ , so that

$$\psi(a) = \{x \in S: p \cdot x \leq s(a)\} \quad a \in A.$$

For any two elements c and d of $R \cup \{+\infty\}$, let

$$[s \leq c] = \{a \in A: s(a) \leq c\}$$

$$[s \geq c] = \{a \in A: s(a) \geq c\}$$

$$[s = c] = [s \leq c] \cap [s \geq c]$$

$$[s < c] = [s \leq c] \setminus [s \geq c]$$

$$[c < s \leq d] = [s \leq d] \setminus [s \leq c]$$

$$[c < s < d] = [s < d] \setminus [s \leq c].$$

¹⁴This because of the usual Radon-Nikodym Theorem. See Proposition IV.1.4, page 111 in Neveu [9].

For each $m = 1, 2, \dots$ define a simple measurable function from A to $\mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$ by

$$f_m = -m \chi_{[s \leq -m]} + \sum_{k=-m2+1}^{m2} \frac{k}{2^m} \chi_{[\frac{k-1}{2^m} < s \leq \frac{k}{2^m}]} + m \chi_{[m < s < +\infty]} + \infty \chi_{[s = \infty]}$$

where χ_B is the characteristic function of the set B .

Then $f_m(a) \rightarrow s(a)$ for every $a \in A$ and for every $a \in A$ there exists k such that $m \geq k$ implies $f_m(a) \geq s(a)$.

Define

$$\begin{aligned} G_m &= \{(a, x) \in A \times S : p \cdot x \leq f_m(a)\} \\ &= \bigcup_{i=1}^{k_m} A_i x p^{-1}((-\infty, c_i]) \end{aligned}$$

where the c_i are scalars in $\mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$ and the A_i are disjoint measurable sets such that $f_m = \sum_{i=1}^{k_m} c_i \chi_{A_i}$. It is clear that $G_m \in \mathcal{A}_\mu \otimes \mathcal{B}$

since it is a union of measurable rectangles. Further,

$$G_\psi = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{m \geq k} G_m$$

so $G_\psi \in \mathcal{A}_\mu \otimes \mathcal{B}$, as was to be shown.

To complete the proof of the THEOREM, it will be shown that $\mathcal{L}_\varphi = \mathcal{L}_Z$ and hence $Z(E) = \text{eval}_E(\mathcal{M}_Z) = \int_E \varphi d\mu$ for every E in \mathcal{A} , by THEOREM 1. The relation $\mathcal{L}_Z \subset \mathcal{L}_\varphi$ is clear. Conversely, suppose $f \notin \mathcal{L}_Z$. Then for some nonnull E in \mathcal{A} , $\int_E f d\mu \notin Z(E)$. Because $Z(E)$ is a closed convex nonempty set containing no lines, LEMMA 6 implies there exists n such that $p_n \cdot \int_E f d\mu > \sigma_n(E)$. But then $f(a) \notin \varphi_n(a) \supset \varphi(a)$ for every a in some nonnull subset of E . Thus $f \notin \mathcal{L}_Z$ implies $f \notin \mathcal{L}_\varphi$.

We now assume that A is a compact topological space and that \mathcal{A} is the σ -field of Borel subsets of A . A correspondence $\varphi : A \rightrightarrows S$ is upper-semi-continuous (usc) if, for every open subset G of S , the set

$$\varphi^+(G) = \{a \in A: \varphi(a) \subset G\}$$

is open; φ is lower-semi-continuous (lsc) if G open in S implies

$$\varphi^-(G) = \{a \in A: \varphi(a) \cap G \neq \emptyset\}$$

is open. φ is continuous if it is usc and lsc.

THEOREM 3: Suppose that $\varphi: A \rightrightarrows S$ is a convex- and compact-valued, continuous, nonempty correspondence. Then for every Borel subset E of the compact set A :

$$\int_E \varphi \, d\mu = \int_E^c \varphi \, d\mu .$$

PROOF: The proof uses induction on the dimension of S .

Since φ is compact valued and is a continuous correspondence, it is a continuous function from A to \mathcal{K} , the nonempty, compact subsets of S with the Hausdorff metric topology.¹⁵ Hence the image of A under φ is compact in \mathcal{K} and hence bounded in S . This implies that φ is integrably bounded which implies that $\int_E \varphi \, d\mu$ is compact in S for every Borel E ([1], THEOREM 4).

¹⁵This topology on \mathcal{K} is defined in [3] pp. 132-133. The continuity of φ with respect to the Hausdorff metric on \mathcal{K} is implied by THEOREM 1, page 133 in [3].

If z is in the compact, convex set $\int_E \varphi \, d\mu$, then z is a convex combination of a finite number of points z_i in $\text{Ext} \int_E \varphi \, d\mu$, the set of points in $\int_E \varphi \, d\mu$ through which some supporting hyperplane passes. Suppose that for each i there exists a continuous function f_i in \mathcal{L}_φ with $z_i = \int_E f_i \, d\mu$. Since $z = \sum \lambda_i z_i$, where $\sum \lambda_i = 1$, $\lambda_i > 0$, then $f = \sum \lambda_i f_i \in \mathcal{L}_\varphi$ and f is continuous. But then $z = \int_E f \, d\mu \in \int_E^c \varphi \, d\mu$.

Thus it suffices to show that if $z \in \text{Ext} \int_E \varphi \, d\mu$, then $z \in \int_E^c \varphi \, d\mu$.

There exists a nonzero p in S such that $p \cdot z \geq p \cdot y$, $y \in \int_E \varphi \, d\mu$.

Define

$$\begin{aligned} s(a) &= \sup p \cdot \varphi(a) \\ \psi(a) &= \{x \in \varphi(a) : p \cdot x = s(a)\} \\ &= \varphi(a) \cap \Delta(a) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\Delta(a) = \{y \in S : p \cdot y \geq s(a)\}.$$

By a well-known result ([3], p. 122), $s(\cdot)$ is a continuous function and ψ is usc. It is easy to show that ψ is also lsc: Suppose $a_0 \in \Delta^-(G) = \{a \in A : G \cap \Delta(a) \neq \emptyset\}$ for a given open subset G of S . Then there exists $y_0 \in G$ with $p \cdot y_0 \geq s(a_0)$. Since G is open and $p \neq 0$, there exists $y_1 \in G$ with $p \cdot y_1 > s(a_0)$. Since $s(\cdot)$ is continuous, there is a neighborhood $U(a_0)$ such that $a \in U(a_0)$ implies $s(a) < p \cdot y_1$. Thus $y_1 \in \Delta(a) \cap G$ for a in $U(a_0)$, so $U(a_0) \subset \Delta^-(G)$; that is, $\Delta^-(G)$ is open in A . Thus Δ is lsc and hence so is $\psi = \varphi \cap \Delta$ ([3], THEOREM 3, p. 120).

Now $z \in [\int_E \varphi \, d\mu] \cap [p^{-1}(\sup p \cdot \int_E \varphi \, d\mu)]$. But it is easily seen that this intersection equals $\int_E \psi \, d\mu$.¹⁶ Thus it suffices to show

$$\int_E \psi \, d\mu = \int_E^c \varphi \, d\mu.$$

¹⁶This demonstration requires the use of the Measurable Choice Theorem. See [2], page 4.

This relation will be shown to hold by the induction hypothesis.

Let L be the line generated by a vector in the algebraic complement of $H = p^{-1}(0)$. Let proj_H be the mapping projecting S into H along L and let proj_L be the mapping projecting S into L along H . Define

$$\begin{aligned} t(a) &= \text{proj}_L \psi(a) & a \in A, \\ \theta(a) &= \text{proj}_H \psi(a) & a \in A. \end{aligned}$$

Since ψ is a compact-, convex-valued continuous correspondence, so is θ , by the continuity and linearity of proj_H . By the induction hypothesis,

$$\int_E \theta \, d\mu = \int_E^c \theta \, d\mu .$$

But

$$\begin{aligned} \int_E \psi \, d\mu &= \int_E [\theta + t] \, d\mu \\ &= \int_E \theta \, d\mu + \int_E t \, d\mu \\ &= \int_E^c \theta \, d\mu + \int_E t \, d\mu \\ &= \int_E^c \psi \, d\mu \end{aligned}$$

because t is a continuous function on A .

To complete the proof of the theorem, it is necessary to consider the case where $S = R$. Define two functions on A :

$$\begin{aligned} u(a) &= \max \{x \in \varphi(a)\} \\ b(a) &= \min \{x \in \varphi(a)\} . \end{aligned}$$

Then $u(a) = \sup p \cdot \varphi(a)$ where $p = 1$ and $b(a) = -\sup p \cdot \varphi(a)$ where $p = -1$. Thus $u(\cdot)$ and $b(\cdot)$ are continuous. They are both integrable since A is compact. Further, if

$$z \in \int \varphi \, d\mu$$

then $z = \lambda \int b \, d\mu + (1-\lambda) \int u \, d\mu$ for some λ in $[0,1]$. Then

$$z = \int [\lambda b + (1-\lambda) u] \, d\mu \in \int^c \varphi \, d\mu .$$

This completes the proof of THEOREM 3.

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