

## EXISTENCE OF A STRONG LIFTING COMMUTING WITH A COMPACT GROUP OF TRANSFORMATIONS

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Let  $G$  be a locally compact group with left Haar measure  $\gamma$ . The well-known "Theorem LCG" ([10]) states that there is a strong lifting of  $M^\infty(G, \gamma)$  commuting with left translations. We will prove partial generalizations of this theorem in case  $G$  is compact. Thus, let  $(G, X)$  be a free (left) transformation group with  $G, X$  compact such that (I)  $G$  is abelian, or (II)  $G$  is Lie, or (III)  $X$  is a product  $G \times Y$ . Let  $\nu_0$  be a Radon measure on  $Y = X/G$ , and let  $\mu$  be the Haar lift of  $\nu_0$ . We will show that, if  $\rho_0$  is a strong lifting of  $M^\infty(Y, \nu_0)$ , then there is a strong lifting  $M^\infty(X, \mu)$  which extends  $\rho_0$  and commutes with the action of  $G$ .

The proof is modeled on the proof of LCG in ([10]), and follows it closely in several places. The main difference is in the present use of the fact that, if  $(H, X)$  is a free transformation group with  $H$  Lie, then  $(H, X)$  admits local sections.

DEFINITIONS 1.1. Let  $X$  be a compact Hausdorff space. Let  $M_+(X)$  denote the set of positive Radon measures on  $X$  of norm 1 with the vague topology. For measure theory, we rely on [2], [3], [4]. If  $\eta \in M_+(X)$ , let  $M^\infty(X, \eta)$  be the set of all bounded  $\eta$ -measurable complex functions on  $X$ . If  $f \in M^\infty(X, \eta)$ , let  $N_\infty(f)$  denote its essential supremum. Let  $L^\infty(X, \eta)$  be the usual set of equivalence classes modulo null functions.

Define  $L^p(X, \eta)$  in the usual way; let  $N_p$  be its norm ( $1 \leq p < \infty$ ). Since  $X$  is compact, we can and will assume that

$$L_r(X, \eta) \subset L^r(X, \eta) \quad (1 \leq r \leq p \leq \infty).$$

DEFINITIONS 1.2. Let  $W$  be a topological space,  $f: X \rightarrow W$  a map. Say  $f$  is  $\eta$ -Lusin-measurable if there is a countable collection of pairwise disjoint compact sets  $K_i$  such that  $X \setminus \bigcup_i K_i$  has  $\eta$ -measure zero and  $f|_{K_i}$  is continuous ( $i \geq 1$ ).

DEFINITIONS, NOTATION 1.3. Let  $G$  be a compact Hausdorff topological group. The pair  $(G, X)$  is a free (left) transformation group (t.g.) if there is a jointly continuous map  $G \times X \rightarrow X: (g, x) \rightarrow g \cdot x$  such that, if  $g \cdot x = x$  for any  $g \in G$  and  $x \in X$ , then  $g = \text{id}_G$ , the