

# A $v$ -INTEGRAL REPRESENTATION FOR LINEAR OPERATORS ON SPACES OF CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS WITH VALUES IN TOPOLOGICAL VECTOR SPACES

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Suppose  $X$  and  $Y$  are topological vector spaces. This paper gives an analytic representation of continuous linear operators from  $C$  into  $Y$ , where  $C$  denotes the space of continuous functions from the interval  $[0, 1]$  into  $X$  with the topology of uniform convergence. In order to obtain an integral representation theorem analogous to the ones given by R. K. Goodrich for the locally convex setting in *Trans. Amer. Math. Soc.* 131 (1968), 246–258, certain strong hypotheses on  $C$  must be assumed because of the need to be able to extend the operators to a subset of the double dual of  $C$ . However, by using the notion of  $v$ -integral, it is possible to avoid this problem and give a representation theorem without additional hypothesis.

Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be the collection of intervals in  $(0, 1]$  of the form  $(a, b]$  and let  $L[X, Y]$  denote the space of linear operators from  $X$  into  $Y$ . Then the set function  $K$  from  $\mathcal{I}$  into  $L[X, Y]$  is said to be convex with respect to length if  $K(I) = \sum_{i=1}^n [l(I_i)/l(I)]K(I_i)$  whenever  $I = \bigcup_{i=1}^n I_i$ , and where  $l(I)$  denotes the length of  $I$ . If  $K$  is convex with respect to length, then  $K$  is said to be  $v$ -integrable with respect to  $f$  if  $\lim_{|\sigma| \rightarrow 0} \sum K(I_i)(\Delta_i f) = v \int Kdf$  exists in  $\bar{Y}$ , the completion of  $Y$  (by  $\Delta_i f$  we mean  $f(t_{i+1}) - f(t_i)$  where  $\{t_i\}$  is the partition  $\sigma$  of  $[0, 1]$ ).

If  $I \in \mathcal{I}$ , with endpoints  $a$  and  $b$ , then the function  $\Psi_I$  defined by  $\Psi_I(t) = 0$  for  $t \leq a$ ,  $\Psi_I(t) = (t - a)/(b - a)$  for  $a \leq t \leq b$ , and  $\Psi_I(t) = 1$  for  $t \geq b$ , is called the fundamental function associated with  $I$ . A set function  $K$  whose domain is  $\mathcal{I}$  and whose range is in  $L[X, Y]$  is said to be quasi-Gowurin if given a neighborhood  $V$  of  $\theta_Y$ , there is a neighborhood  $U$  of  $\theta_C$  such that  $\sum \Psi_{I_i} \cdot x_i \in U$  implies  $\sum [K(I_i)](x_i) \in V$ .

Finally, if  $f \in C$  and  $\sigma$  is a partition of  $[0, 1]$ , then  $p_\sigma^f$  denotes the polygonal function determined by  $\sigma$  and  $f$ .

2. The representation theorem. Let  $C_\theta$  denote the subspace of  $C$  such that  $f(0) = \theta_X$ .

**THEOREM 2.1.** *Suppose  $K$  is a set function on  $\mathcal{I}$  with values*