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## ON FIRST RETURN CHARACTERIZATIONS OF BAIRE CLASSES $\alpha \ge 1$

Consider the following characterization of Baire 1 functions given in [1].

**Theorem 1** Suppose X is a compact metric space and Y is a separable metric space. A function  $f : X \to Y$  is first return recoverable iff f is of Baire class 1. (Refer to [1] for the relevant definitions.)

We raise the following questions concerning the above theorem.

**Problem 1** Can the hypothesis of X being a compact space be weakened to X being a complete metric space?

**Problem 2** Are there first return type characterizations of functions of Baire class  $\alpha$  for  $\alpha > 1$ ?

## References

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