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CONTINUITY IN TERMS OF FUNCTIONAL CONVERGENCE

Abstract

The note presents a new approach to the notion of continuity of real function at a point. It is applied to obtain a characterization of continuity at a point with respect to *-topology (Hashimoto topology), density topology and I -density topology (Wilczyński topology). The latter is closely related to the definition of density point of measurable set formulated by W. Wilczyński in [8].

Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be an arbitrary function. For any sequence $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of real numbers decreasing to zero, with $(t_1 < 1)$, we define a sequence of functions $\{f_{t_n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, $f_{t_n} : [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ in the following way

$$f_{t_n}(x) = f(t_n \cdot x)$$

The theorem given below presents a new point of view on the notion of continuity. It describes a surprising connection between a continuity of a function at the point and a convergence of an appropriate sequence of functions. We omit the proof since it follows immediately from Cauchy's and Heine's definitions of continuity of a function at a point.

Theorem 1. *The following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1) f is continuous (with respect to the natural topology on the domain and on the range) at 0,
- (2) for every sequence $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ decreasing to zero the sequence of functions $\{f_{t_n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to $f(0)$ uniformly on $[-1, 1]$,
- (3) for every sequence $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ decreasing to zero the sequence of functions $\{f_{t_n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to $f(0)$ on $[-1, 1]$,
- (4) there exists a decreasing to zero sequence $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that the sequence of functions $\{f_{t_n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to $f(0)$ uniformly on $[-1, 1]$,

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(5) there are two points $x_1 \in (-1, 0)$ and $x_2 \in (0, -1)$ such that for every decreasing to zero sequence $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ the sequence of functions $\{f_{t_n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to $f(0)$ at x_1 and x_2 .

Now we shall give several applications of this new approach to continuity with respect to the Hashimoto topology, density topology and I -density topology.

Let \mathcal{S} be an algebra and \mathcal{I} a proper ideal of subsets of the real line \mathbb{R} . We assume \mathcal{S} and \mathcal{I} to be invariant with respect to linear transformations. If $A \in \mathcal{S}$, we say that A is \mathcal{S} -measurable. Similarly, if for a real function f , $f^{-1}(U)$ is \mathcal{S} -measurable for every open U , we say that f is \mathcal{S} -measurable. If some property holds for points from $A \setminus P$ for some $P \in \mathcal{I}$, we say that it holds \mathcal{I} -almost everywhere (\mathcal{I} -a.e.) on A . If $B = A \setminus P$ for some $P \in \mathcal{I}$, we say that B is *residual* subset of A or B is residual in A . We use A^c for the complement of A and $A - x$ for $\{y - x : y \in A\}$.

For a given sequence $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of real numbers decreasing to zero we shall now consider the convergence of a sequence of functions $\{f_{t_n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ on a given residual subset of $[-1, 1]$.

Definition 1. We say that a sequence of functions $\{f_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges *a.e. uniformly* on a set $A \subset \mathbb{R}$, if there is a residual subset B of A such that $\{f_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges uniformly on B .

Theorem 2. Let \mathcal{I} be a σ -ideal. For every real function f , if there exists a decreasing to zero sequence $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that the sequence of functions $\{f_{t_n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to $f(0)$ a.e. uniformly on $[-1, 1]$, then there exists a residual subset E of \mathbb{R} such that f restricted to $E \cup \{0\}$ is continuous at 0.

PROOF. Let $A \in \mathcal{I}$ be the set such that $\{f_{t_n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to $f(0)$ uniformly on $[-1, 1] - A$. Put $E = \mathbb{R} \setminus \bigcup_n (t_n \cdot A)$ and define a function g such that

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & x \in E \\ f(0) & x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus E. \end{cases}$$

Now the sequence $\{g_{t_n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges uniformly to $f(0)$ on $[-1, 1]$. By Theorem 1 (4) the function g is continuous at 0. Hence g restricted to $E \cup \{0\}$ is continuous at 0. As g restricted to $E \cup \{0\}$ equals f restricted to $E \cup \{0\}$, the proof is complete. \square

Theorem 3. Let \mathcal{I} be a σ -ideal. For every real function f , if there exists a residual subset E of \mathbb{R} such that f restricted to $E \cup \{0\}$ is continuous at 0, then for every decreasing to zero sequence $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ the sequence of functions $\{f_{t_n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to $f(0)$ a.e. uniformly on $[-1, 1]$.

PROOF. Let $A = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{E \cup \{0\}\}$ and $B = \bigcup_n \left(\left(\frac{1}{t_n} \cdot A \right) \cap [-1, 1] \right)$. As E is residual, we have $B \in \mathcal{I}$. Define function g such that

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & x \in E \cup \{0\} \\ f(0) & x \notin E \cup \{0\}. \end{cases}$$

Clearly, g is continuous at 0, hence the sequence $\{g_{t_n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges uniformly to $f(0)$ on $[-1, 1]$. The sequence $\{f_{t_n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to $f(0)$ a.e. uniformly on $[-1, 1]$, because f_n restricted to $\mathbb{R} \setminus B$ equals g_n restricted to $\mathbb{R} \setminus B$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and $B \in \mathcal{I}$. \square

Corollary 4. *Let \mathcal{I} be a σ -ideal. The following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1) *there exists a residual subset E of \mathbb{R} such that f restricted to $E \cup \{0\}$ is continuous at 0,*
- (2) *there exists a decreasing to zero sequence $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that the sequence of functions $\{f_{t_n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to $f(0)$ a.e. uniformly on $[-1, 1]$,*
- (3) *for every decreasing to zero sequence $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ the sequence of functions $\{f_{t_n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to $f(0)$ a.e. uniformly on $[-1, 1]$.*

Remark 1. The above Corollary gives us a characterization of continuity at a point of a real function with respect to \ast topology (Hashimoto topology) generated by the basis $\{U \setminus P : U \in \tau, P \in \mathcal{I}\}$, where τ is a natural topology on \mathbb{R} and \mathcal{I} is a σ -ideal (see [3], [5]).

In 1982, W. Wilczyński in his paper [8] formulated the following definition:

Definition 2. We say that the point 0 is an \mathcal{I} -density point of an \mathcal{S} -measurable set A if for any decreasing to zero sequence $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of real numbers there exists a subsequence $\{t_{n_m}\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $\chi_{\left\{ \frac{1}{t_{n_m}} \cdot A \right\} \cap [-1, 1]}$ converges to 1, \mathcal{I} -almost everywhere on $[-1, 1]$. (Equivalently such that $\liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(\left(\frac{1}{t_{n_m}} \cdot A \right) \cap [-1, 1] \right) = [-1, 1] \setminus P$ for some $P \in \mathcal{I}$)

We say that the point x is an \mathcal{I} -density point of an \mathcal{S} -measurable set A if 0 is an \mathcal{I} -density point of $A - x$.

If \mathcal{S} is the σ -algebra of a Lebesgue measurable sets and \mathcal{I} is the σ -ideal of sets of measure zero, this defines the usual density point of Lebesgue measurable set. If \mathcal{S} is the σ -algebra of sets having Baire property and \mathcal{I} is the σ -ideal of sets of the first category, this is a definition of an \mathcal{I} -density point of a Baire measurable set. The definition and all its consequences were deeply examined in a large number of papers - see [6], [7], and [1]. We adopt here their basic definitions. For $A \in \mathcal{S}$, let $\Phi(A)$ denote the set of all density

points of A . The family $\{A \in \mathcal{S}, A \subset \Phi(A)\}$ is a topology on \mathbb{R} called the \mathcal{I} -density topology (Wilczyński topology) and is denoted $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}$. We say that \mathcal{S} -measurable function f is *topologically \mathcal{I} -approximate* continuous at x , if and only if $f^{-1}(f(x) - a, f(x) + a)$ has x as its density point, for every positive a . The continuity of real functions with respect to $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}$ -topology was examined mainly for \mathcal{S} the σ -algebra of a Lebesgue measurable sets and \mathcal{I} the σ -ideal of sets of measure zero or \mathcal{S} the σ -algebra \mathcal{S} of Baire measurable sets with \mathcal{I} the σ -ideal of sets of first category.

Remark 2. We say that an \mathcal{S} -measurable function f is *restrictively \mathcal{I} -approximate* continuous at point x , if and only if there is a $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}$ -open neighborhood U of x such that f restricted to U is continuous at x in the natural topology relativised to U . The restrictional continuity of \mathcal{S} -measurable real function implies its topological continuity. In the case of \mathcal{S} the σ -algebra of a Lebesgue measurable sets and \mathcal{I} the σ -ideal of sets of measure zero, \mathcal{I} -approximate restrictional continuity and topological \mathcal{I} -approximate continuity coincide (See [4].)

Remark 3. Observe that the definition of an \mathcal{I} -density point can be reformulated in the following form: We say that the point 0 is an \mathcal{I} -density point of an \mathcal{S} -measurable set A if for any sequence $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of real numbers decreasing to zero there exists a subsequence $\{t_{n_m}\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $\chi_A(t_{n_m} \cdot x)$ converges to 1, \mathcal{I} -almost everywhere on $[-1, 1]$.

This leads in the natural way to the following definition:

Definition 3. We say that an \mathcal{S} -measurable function f has *property (*)* at a point 0, if and only if for any decreasing to zero sequence $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of real numbers there exists a subsequence $\{t_{n_m}\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $f(t_{n_m} \cdot x)$ converges to $f(0)$, \mathcal{I} -almost everywhere on $[-1, 1]$.

We say that an \mathcal{S} -measurable function f has property (*) at point x , if the function $g, g(y) = f(y - x)$, has property (*) at 0.

We shall show that for an \mathcal{S} -measurable function, the property (*) at a point x is equivalent to its \mathcal{I} -approximate topological continuity.

Theorem 5. *If the \mathcal{S} -measurable function f has property (*) at a point x , then it is \mathcal{I} -approximate topologically continuous at this point.*

PROOF. We shall restrict ourselves to the case $x = 0$ and additionally put $f(0) = 0$. Suppose that f is not \mathcal{I} -approximate topologically continuous at 0. Then there exists $a > 0$ such that the set $A = \{x : -a < f(x) < a\}$ has not 0 as its density point. It means that there exists a decreasing to zero

sequence $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of real numbers such that for each subsequence $\{t_{n_m}\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ the sequence $\chi_{\left\{\frac{1}{t_{n_m}} \cdot A\right\} \cap [-1, 1]}$ does not converge to 1, \mathcal{I} -almost everywhere on $[-1, 1]$. This is equivalent to $\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(\left(\frac{1}{t_{n_m}} \cdot A^c \right) \cap [-1, 1] \right) \notin \mathcal{I}$.

For $x \in A^c$, we have $|f(x)| \geq a$, hence for $x \in \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{t_{n_m}} \cdot A^c \right)$ the sequence $f(t_{n_m} \cdot x)$ does not converge to $f(0) = 0$. It follows that there exists a decreasing to zero sequence $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of real numbers such that for each subsequence $\{t_{n_m}\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$, the sequence $f(t_{n_m} \cdot x)$ does not converge to $f(0) = 0$, \mathcal{I} -a.e. on $[-1, 1]$; this means that f does not have property (*) at the point 0. \square

Theorem 6. *Let \mathcal{I} be a σ -ideal. If the \mathcal{S} -measurable function f is \mathcal{I} -approximate topologically continuous at point x then it has property (*) at this point.*

PROOF. We restrict ourselves again to the case $x = 0$ and additionally we put $f(0) = 0$. As f is \mathcal{I} -approximate topologically continuous at 0 then $A_\varepsilon = f^{-1}((-\varepsilon, \varepsilon))$ has 0 as its density point, for every $\varepsilon > 0$. The latter can be stated equivalently that 0 is a density point of $A_k = f^{-1}\left(\left(-\frac{1}{k}, \frac{1}{k}\right)\right)$, for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Let $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence of real numbers decreasing to zero and put $k = 1$. We may choose a subsequence $\left\{t_n^{(1)}\right\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $\chi_{\left\{\frac{1}{t_n^{(1)}} \cdot A_1\right\} \cap [-1, 1]}$ converges to 1, \mathcal{I} -almost everywhere on $[-1, 1]$. This means that there exists a set E_1 such that $[-1, 1] - E_1 \in \mathcal{I}$ and for points from E_1 , $\chi_{\left\{\frac{1}{t_n^{(1)}} \cdot A_1\right\} \cap [-1, 1]}$ converges to 1. Since $E_1 = \liminf_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left(\left\{ \frac{1}{t_n^{(1)}} \cdot A_1 \right\} \cap [-1, 1] \right)$ we have $\limsup_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left| f\left(t_n^{(1)} \cdot x\right) \right| < 1$ for $x \in E_1$. Similarly we can find, for every natural $k > 1$, a set $E_k \subset E_{k-1}$ and a subsequence $\left\{t_n^{(k)}\right\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of $\left\{t_n^{(k-1)}\right\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $[-1, 1] \setminus E_k \in \mathcal{I}$ and $\limsup_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left| f\left(t_n^{(k)} \cdot x\right) \right| < \frac{1}{k}$ for $x \in E_k$. Let $\left\{t_{n_p}\right\}_{p \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a diagonal subsequence of subsequences $\left\{t_n^{(k)}\right\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$. We have $\limsup_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left| f\left(t_{n_p} \cdot x\right) \right| = 0$ for x from $\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} E_k$. Since \mathcal{I} is a σ -ideal and $[-1, 1] \setminus E_k \in \mathcal{I}$ for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$ then $[-1, 1] \setminus \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} E_k \in \mathcal{I}$. So, for any sequence $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of real numbers there exists a subsequence $\{t_{n_p}\}_{p \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $f(t_{n_p} \cdot x)$ converges to $f(0)$, \mathcal{I} -almost everywhere on $[-1, 1]$, i.e., function f has property (*) at point 0. \square

If \mathcal{I} is a σ -ideal, Theorems 5 and 6 state that for the \mathcal{S} -measurable function f its \mathcal{I} -approximate topological continuity and property (*) are equivalent at point x .

Theorem 7. *If the \mathcal{S} -measurable function f is \mathcal{I} -approximate restrictively continuous at point x then it has property (*) at this point.*

PROOF. Since the restrictional continuity implies the topological continuity, the theorem follows immediately. However, we would like to present the proof with the use of the property (*). We shall restrict our considerations to the case $x = 0$. From the assumption it follows that there exists an $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}$ -open neighborhood U of 0 such that f restricted to U is continuous at 0. As 0 is an \mathcal{I} -density point of U , for any sequence $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of real numbers decreasing to zero there exists a subsequence $\{t_{n_m}\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $\chi_{\{\frac{1}{t_{n_m}} \cdot U\} \cap [-1, 1]}$ converges to 1, \mathcal{I} -almost everywhere on $[-1, 1]$. This means that there exists a set E such that $[-1, 1] - E \in \mathcal{I}$ and for points from E , $\chi_{\{\frac{1}{t_{n_m}} \cdot U\} \cap [-1, 1]}$ converges to 1. Put

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & x \in U \\ f(0) & x \notin U \end{cases} .$$

By the assumption g is continuous at 0 and by Theorem 1 (3), $g(t_{n_m} \cdot x)$ converges to $f(0)$ everywhere on $[-1, 1]$. Therefore, $f(t_{n_m} \cdot x)$ converges to $f(0)$ for points from E , i.e. \mathcal{I} -almost everywhere on $[-1, 1]$. \square

Now we shall give a definition closely related to Lemma 1 in [7].

Definition 4. We shall say that the pair $(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{I})$ is of type I (is of type II), if for every increasing sequences $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, $\{s_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of real numbers tending to infinity and such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{t_n}{s_n} = 1$$

and for every \mathcal{S} -measurable set A such that $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} (t_n \cdot A) \cap [-1, 1]$ is residual in $[-1, 1]$ then also $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} (s_n \cdot A) \cap [-1, 1]$ is residual in $[-1, 1]$ (there exists a subsequence $\{n_m\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $\liminf_{m \rightarrow \infty} (s_{n_m} \cdot A) \cap [-1, 1]$ is residual in $[-1, 1]$).

In Lemma 1 in [7] it is proved that the pair $(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{I})$ where \mathcal{S} is the σ -algebra of sets having Baire property and \mathcal{I} the σ -ideal of sets of the first category is of type I. It is not difficult to show that in measure case the pair $(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{I})$, where \mathcal{S} is the σ -algebra of Lebesgue measurable sets and \mathcal{I} the σ -ideal of sets of measure zero, is of type II.

Lemma 8. *Let \mathcal{I} be a σ -ideal. Suppose a pair $(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{I})$ is of type I (is of type II) and $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, \{s_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ are sequences of real numbers decreasing to zero such that*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{t_n}{s_n} = 1.$$

If for a real \mathcal{S} -measurable function f , $f(t_n \cdot x)$ converges to $f(0)$ \mathcal{I} -almost everywhere on $[-1, 1]$ then $f(s_n \cdot x)$ converges to $f(0)$ \mathcal{I} -almost everywhere on $[-1, 1]$. (There is a subsequence $\{s_{n_m}\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ of $\{s_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $f(s_{n_m} \cdot x)$ converges to $f(0)$, \mathcal{I} -a.e. on $[-1, 1]$.)

PROOF. Put $A_k = \{x \in [-1, 1] : |f(x)| < \frac{1}{k}\}$. For every decreasing to zero sequence $\{u_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of real numbers we have

$$\begin{aligned} \bigcup_p \bigcap_{n \geq p} \left(\frac{1}{u_n} \cdot A_{k+1} \right) \cap [-1, 1] &= \bigcup_p \bigcap_{n \geq p} \left\{ x \in [-1, 1] : |f(u_n \cdot x)| < \frac{1}{k+1} \right\} \\ &= \left\{ x \in [-1, 1] : \exists_p \forall_{n \geq p} |f(u_n \cdot x)| < \frac{1}{k+1} \right\} \\ &\subset \left\{ x \in [-1, 1] : \limsup_n |f(u_n \cdot x)| \leq \frac{1}{k+1} \right\} \\ &\subset \left\{ x \in [-1, 1] : \limsup_n |f(u_n \cdot x)| < \frac{1}{k} \right\} \\ &\subset \left\{ x \in [-1, 1] : \exists_p \forall_{n \geq p} |f(u_n \cdot x)| < \frac{1}{k} \right\} \\ &= \bigcup_p \bigcap_{n \geq p} \left\{ x \in [-1, 1] : |f(u_n \cdot x)| < \frac{1}{k} \right\} \\ &= \bigcup_p \bigcap_{n \geq p} \left(\frac{1}{u_n} \cdot A_k \right) \cap [-1, 1]. \end{aligned}$$

Put $B_k = \bigcup_p \bigcap_{n \geq p} \left(\frac{1}{u_n} \cdot A_k \right) \cap [-1, 1]$. Now we have

$$\begin{aligned} B_{k+1} &= \bigcup_p \bigcap_{n \geq p} \left(\frac{1}{u_n} \cdot A_{k+1} \right) \cap [-1, 1] \subset \left\{ x \in [-1, 1] : \limsup_n |f(u_n \cdot x)| < \frac{1}{k} \right\} \\ &\subset \bigcup_p \bigcap_{n \geq p} \left(\frac{1}{u_n} \cdot A_k \right) \cap [-1, 1] = B_k, \text{ and} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bigcap_k \left\{ x \in [-1, 1] : \limsup_n |f(u_n \cdot x)| < \frac{1}{k} \right\} &= \bigcap_k \bigcup_p \bigcap_{n \geq p} \left(\frac{1}{u_n} \cdot A_k \right) \cap [-1, 1] \\ &= \bigcap_k B_k. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \left\{ x \in [-1, 1] : \lim_n f(u_n \cdot x) = 0 \right\} &= \left\{ x \in [-1, 1] : \limsup_n |f(u_n \cdot x)| = 0 \right\} \\ &= \bigcap_k \left\{ x \in [-1, 1] : \limsup_n |f(u_n \cdot x)| < \frac{1}{k} \right\} = \bigcap_k \bigcup_p \bigcap_{n \geq p} \left(\frac{1}{u_n} \cdot A_k \right) \cap [-1, 1]. \end{aligned}$$

By the assumption $f(t_n \cdot x)$ converges to $f(0)$, \mathcal{I} -almost everywhere on $[-1, 1]$, therefore $\left\{ x \in [-1, 1] : \lim_n f(t_n \cdot x) = 0 \right\}$ is residual on $[-1, 1]$ and consequently $\bigcap_k \bigcup_p \bigcap_{n \geq p} \left(\frac{1}{t_n} \cdot A_k \right) \cap [-1, 1]$ is residual on $[-1, 1]$. As \mathcal{I} is a σ -ideal, the countable intersection of sets is residual, if and only if every set is residual and the latter implies that $\bigcup_p \bigcap_{n \geq p} \left(\frac{1}{t_n} \cdot A_k \right) \cap [-1, 1]$ is residual on $[-1, 1]$, for every $k \in N$.

Now, if a pair $(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{I})$ is of type I then also $\bigcup_p \bigcap_{n \geq p} \left(\frac{1}{s_n} \cdot A_k \right) \cap [-1, 1]$ is residual on $[-1, 1]$, for every $k \in N$ and $\bigcap_k \bigcup_p \bigcap_{n \geq p} \left(\frac{1}{s_n} \cdot A_k \right) \cap [-1, 1]$ is residual on $[-1, 1]$. By the last statement $\left\{ x \in [-1, 1] : \lim_n f(s_n \cdot x) = 0 \right\}$ is residual on $[-1, 1]$ and $f(s_n \cdot x)$ converges to $f(0)$, \mathcal{I} -almost everywhere on $[-1, 1]$.

Suppose now that a pair $(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{I})$ is of type II. Then for $k = 1$ the set $\bigcup_p \bigcap_{n \geq p} \left(\frac{1}{t_n} \cdot A_k \right) \cap [-1, 1]$ is residual on $[-1, 1]$ and we may choose a subsequence $\left\{ s_n^{(1)} \right\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of $\{s_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $\bigcup_p \bigcap_{n \geq p} \left(\frac{1}{s_n^{(1)}} \cdot A_k \right) \cap [-1, 1]$ is residual on $[-1, 1]$. For $k = 2$, the set $\bigcup_p \bigcap_{n \geq p} \left(\frac{1}{t_n^{(1)}} \cdot A_k \right) \cap [-1, 1]$ is residual on $[-1, 1]$ and we may choose a subsequence $\left\{ s_n^{(2)} \right\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of $\left\{ s_n^{(1)} \right\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $\bigcup_p \bigcap_{n \geq p} \left(\frac{1}{s_n^{(2)}} \cdot A_k \right) \cap [-1, 1]$ is residual on $[-1, 1]$. Similarly, we can find for every natural $k > 1$ a subsequence $\left\{ s_n^{(k)} \right\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of $\left\{ s_n^{(k-1)} \right\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $\bigcup_p \bigcap_{n \geq p} \left(\frac{1}{s_n^{(k)}} \cdot A_k \right) \cap [-1, 1]$ is residual on $[-1, 1]$. Let $\{s_{n_m}\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a diagonal subsequence of subsequences $\left\{ s_n^{(k)} \right\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$. The set $\bigcup_p \bigcap_{m \geq p} \left(\frac{1}{s_{n_m}} \cdot A_k \right) \cap$

$[-1, 1]$ is residual on $[-1, 1]$ for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$ so the set $\bigcap_k \bigcup_p \bigcap_{m \geq p} \left(\frac{1}{s_{n_m}} \cdot A_k \right) \cap [-1, 1]$ is also residual on $[-1, 1]$ and $f(s_{n_m} \cdot x)$ converges to $f(0)$, \mathcal{I} -a.e. on $[-1, 1]$. \square

Theorem 9. *Let \mathcal{I} be a σ -ideal. Suppose a pair $(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{I})$ is of type I or II. If for the real \mathcal{S} -measurable function f , $f(s_n \cdot x)$ converges to $f(0)$ \mathcal{I} -almost everywhere on $[-1, 1]$ for some decreasing to zero sequence $\{s_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of real numbers such that $s_{k+1} > r \cdot s_k$, for some $r > 0$ then f has the property $(*)$ at 0.*

PROOF. Let $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be any sequence of real numbers decreasing to zero. Choose subsequences $\{s_{k_p}\}_{p \in \mathbb{N}}$ and $\{t_{n_p}\}_{p \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $t_{n_p} \in (s_{k_p+1}, s_{k_p}]$. We have $0 < r \cdot s_{k_p} < s_{k_p+1} < t_{n_p} \leq s_{k_p}$ and $0 < r < \frac{t_{n_p}}{s_{k_p}} \leq 1$. We choose again subsequences $\{s_{k_{p_m}}\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ and $\{t_{n_{p_m}}\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that the sequence $\left\{ \frac{t_{n_{p_m}}}{s_{k_{p_m}}} \right\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to some a , where $0 < r \leq a \leq 1$. The sequence $\left\{ \frac{t_{n_{p_m}}}{a \cdot s_{k_{p_m}}} \right\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to 1 and clearly $f(a \cdot s_{k_{p_m}} \cdot x)$ converges to $f(0)$, \mathcal{I} -almost everywhere on $[-1, 1]$. Directly from Lemma 8 there exists a subsequence $\{t_{n_{p_{m_v}}}\}_{v \in \mathbb{N}}$ of $\{t_{n_{p_m}}\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $f(t_{n_{p_{m_v}}} \cdot x)$ converges to $f(0)$, \mathcal{I} -almost everywhere on $[-1, 1]$. As $\{t_{n_{p_{m_v}}}\}_{v \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a subsequence of $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, f has the property $(*)$ at 0. \square

Theorem 10. *Let \mathcal{S} be any algebra containing the Borel sets and \mathcal{I} be an ideal. If $\{s_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a sequence of real numbers decreasing to zero such that $\liminf_n \frac{s_{n+1}}{s_n} = 0$, then there exists an \mathcal{S} -measurable function f such that $f(s_n \cdot x)$ converges to $f(0)$, \mathcal{I} -almost everywhere on $[-1, 1]$ and f has not the property $(*)$ at 0.*

PROOF. The example from the necessary part of the Theorem 1 in [9] is good here. \square

As the consequence of Theorems 9 and 10, we have the following generalization of Theorem 1 in [9] and Theorem 1 in [2].

Corollary 11. *Let \mathcal{S} be any algebra containing the Borel sets and \mathcal{I} a σ -ideal. Suppose a pair $(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{I})$ is of type I or II. Then for every decreasing to zero sequence $\{s_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ the condition that $s_{k+1} > r \cdot s_k$, for some $r > 0$, is for every real function f equivalent to the fact that \mathcal{I} -almost everywhere on $[-1, 1]$ convergence of $f(s_n \cdot x)$ to $f(0)$ implies that f has the property $(*)$ at 0.*

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