

ON CERTAIN TRANSFORMATIONS OF SETS  
 OF POSITIVE MEASURE

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In a recent paper K. C. Ray [2] has proved some theorems on sets of positive measures in  $R_N$  ( $N$ -dimensional Euclidean space of points or vectors) under certain transformations. In doing so he has considered transformations of the form:

$$x'_i = \sum_{j=1}^N a_{ij} x_j + a_{i, N+1}; \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N,$$

where the coefficients  $a_{ij}$  satisfy

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 1 < a_{ij} < 1 + \frac{\delta}{(M+1)N}, \quad i=j \\ 0 < a_{ij} < \frac{\delta}{(M+1)N}, \quad i \neq j \end{array} \right\} \quad i, j = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

for suitable positive numbers  $\delta$  and  $M$ . Here the coefficients  $a_{ij}$  have been chosen only from suitable right neighbourhoods of 1 (if  $i=j$ ) and 0 (if  $i \neq j$ ).

In this paper we extend some theorems of [2]. In fact, we show that the conclusions of those theorems remain true even if we choose  $a_{ij}$  from suitable unrestricted neighbourhoods of 1 (if  $i=j$ ) and 0 ( $i \neq j$ ). The methods of proofs adopted here differ considerably from those of Ray. Moreover, we have given functional representations of our results.

Now we state a well-known result [3], viz, if  $C$  is a Lebesgue measurable set in  $R_N$  and  $T$  any non-singular linear transformation in  $R_N$  then  $T(C)$  (the set of points of  $R_N$  which are the transformed points of  $C$  under  $T$ ) is also Lebesgue measurable and its measure  $m(T(C)) = |D| m(C)$ , where  $|D|$  is the absolute value of the determinant of the transformation.

**N o t a t i o n s.** (i) Lebesgue measure of any measurable set  $X$  will be denoted by  $|X|$ . (ii)  $S[c, \rho]$  will stand for the closed sphere in  $R_N$  with centre  $c$  and radius  $\rho$ . (iii)  $A/B$  will mean the set of those points of the set  $A$  which do not belong to the set  $B$ .

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two closed bounded sets having positive measures and  $p$  be any positive integer. Then we can find numbers  $M (> 0)$ ,  $\delta (> 0)$  and  $p$  vectors*

$$u_k = (\alpha_{1, N+1}^k, \alpha_{2, N+1}^k, \dots, \alpha_{N, N+1}^k)$$

such that if  $T_k$  ( $k = 1, 2, \dots, p$ ) be any linear transformations given by

$$x_i' = \sum_{j=1}^N a_{ij}^k x_j + \alpha_{i, N+1}^k, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N,$$

where

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (1) \quad 1 - \frac{\delta}{(M+1)N} < a_{ij}^k < 1 + \frac{\delta}{(M+1)N}, \quad i=j \\ (2) \quad -\frac{\delta}{(M+1)N} < a_{ij}^k < \frac{\delta}{(M+1)N}, \quad i \neq j \end{array} \right\} \quad i, j = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

then the points  $\xi_k$  such that  $\xi_k \in A$  and  $T_k^{-1} \xi_k \in B$  ( $k = 1, 2, \dots, p$ ) form a closed set of positive measure.

**Proof.** Since  $A$  and  $B$  are of positive measures, there exist two spheres

$$S_1 = S[a, r] \text{ and } S_2 = S[b, s], \text{ where } s = \left(\frac{p}{p+1}\right)^{\frac{1}{N}} r, \text{ such that } |S_1/A| < \varepsilon |S_1|, \\ |S_2/B| < \varepsilon |S_2| \text{ and } 0 < \varepsilon < \frac{1}{2p^2 + 2p + 1}.$$

Let  $a - b = c$ . Since  $A$  and  $B$  are bounded, there exists a sphere  $S[0, M]$  which contains both  $A$  and  $B$ .

Let  $T_1^k$  be given by

$$T_1^k: \bar{x}_i = x_i + b_{i, N+1}^k \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, N; \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, p),$$

where  $(b_{1, N+1}^k, b_{2, N+1}^k, \dots, b_{N, N+1}^k) \in S\left[c, \frac{r-s}{2}\right]$  and  $T_2^k$  be given by

$$T_2^k: x_i' = \sum_{j=1}^N a_{ij}^k \bar{x}_j$$

satisfying (1) and (2),  $\delta$  being replaced by  $\delta_1$ , where  $0 < \delta_1 < \frac{r-s}{2+r}$ .

Also, let  $C_k = T_k(S_2 \cap B)$  and  $C = S_1 \cap A$ , where  $T_k = T_2^k T_1^k$ .

Let  $X = C \cap C_1 \cap C_2 \cap \dots \cap C_p$ .

We shall show that  $|X| > 0$ .

If  $x'$  be the corresponding point of  $x$  under  $T_2^k$  then from the conditions imposed on the coefficients  $a_{ij}^k$  it follows that  $|x - x'| < \delta_1$ .

So,  $C_k \subset S_1$  ( $k = 1, 2, \dots, p$ ).

Again, if

$$\Phi(x_{11}, x_{12}, \dots, x_{1N}; x_{21}, x_{22}, \dots, x_{2N}; \dots; x_{N1}, x_{N2}, \dots, x_{NN}) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 + x_{11} & x_{12} \cdots x_{1N} \\ x_{21} & 1 + x_{22} \cdots x_{2N} \\ \dots & \dots \dots \dots \\ x_{N1} & x_{N2} \cdots 1 + x_{NN} \end{vmatrix}$$

then  $\Phi(x_{11}, x_{12}, \dots, x_{1N}; x_{21}, x_{22}, \dots, x_{2N}; \dots; x_{N1}, x_{N2}, \dots, x_{NN})$  is a continuous function of  $N^2$  variables and

$$\Phi(0, 0, \dots, 0; \dots; 0, 0, \dots, 0) = 1.$$

So, there exists  $\delta_2 > 0$  such that

$\Phi(x_{11}, x_{12}, \dots, x_{1N}; x_{21}, x_{22}, \dots, x_{2N}; \dots; x_{N1}, x_{N2}, \dots, x_{NN}) > 1 - \frac{1}{2p^2}$  for  $|x_{ij}| < \delta_2$ . Let  $\delta = \min\{\delta_1, \delta_2\}$ . If  $D_k$  be the determinant of  $T_k$ , then

$$D_k > 1 - \frac{1}{2p^2}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, p.$$

Now,  $|X| \geq |S_1| - [|C'_1| + |C'_2| + \dots + |C'_p| + |C'|]$ , dashes denote complements with respect to  $S_1$ .

But  $|C'| = |S_1/A|$  and

$$\begin{aligned} |C'_k| &= |S_1 - D_k|S_2| + D_k|S_2/B| \\ &< |S_1| - \left(1 - \frac{1}{2p^2}\right) [|S_2| - |S_2/B|]. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } |X| &> |S_1| - \left[ p|S_1| - p|S_2| + \frac{1}{2p}|S_2| + \left(p - \frac{1}{2p}\right)|S_2/B| + |S_1/A| \right] = \\ &= |S_1| - \left[ |S_2| + \frac{1}{2p}|S_2| + \left(p - \frac{1}{2p}\right)|S_2/B| + |S_1/A| \right] \\ &> |S_1| - \left[ |S_2| + \frac{1}{2p}|S_2| + \left(p - \frac{1}{2p}\right)\varepsilon|S_2| + \varepsilon|S_1| \right] \\ &> 0, \text{ since } 0 < \varepsilon < \frac{1}{2p^2 + 2p + 1}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, if  $\xi \in X$ , then  $\xi \in S_1 \cap A$  and  $\xi \in T_k(S_2 \cap B)$ . i.e.,  $\xi \in A$  and  $T_k^{-1}\xi \in B$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, p$ . This completes the proof.

**Theorem 2.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two closed bounded sets of positive measures. There exist a positive number  $M$  and linear transformation

$$T_{\delta_k} : x'_i = \sum_{j=1}^N a^k_{ij} x_j + a^k_{i, N+1}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N; k = 1, 2, \dots$$

where the coefficients  $a^k_{ij}$  satisfy the relations (1), (2) replacing  $\delta$  by  $\delta_k$  such that if  $\{\lambda_k\}$ ,  $\lambda_k > 0$  be any null sequence, there exists a subsequence  $\{\lambda_{n_k}\}$  of  $\{\lambda_k\}$  and a point  $\xi \in A$  such that  $T_{\lambda_{n_k}}^{-1}\xi \in B$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots$

This theorem can be easily proved by applying Theorem 1.

**Theorem 3.** Let  $A, A_1, A_2, \dots, A_{m-1} (m > 1)$  be closed bounded sets of positive measures. Then we can find a positive number  $M$ , a number  $\delta (> 0)$  and vectors  $(a_{1,N+1}^k, \dots, a_{N,N+1}^k)$  such that if  $T_\delta^k$  be any linear transformation given by

$$T_\delta^k : x_i' = \sum_{j=1}^N a_{ij} x_j + a_{i,N+1}^k, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N; \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, m-1$$

and satisfying (1) and (2), then the set of points  $\xi$  such that  $\xi \in A$  and  $T_\delta^{k-1} \xi \in A_k (k = 1, 2, \dots, m-1)$  is a closed set of positive measure.

**Proof.** Since  $A$  is a set of positive measure, there exists a sphere  $\Gamma = S[a, r]$  such that

$$|\Gamma \cap A| > \left(1 - \frac{1}{4(m-1)}\right) v \quad \text{where} \quad |\Gamma| = v.$$

Similarly, there exist spheres  $\Gamma_k = S[a_k, s]$  such that

$$|\Gamma_k \cap A_k| > \left(1 - \frac{1}{4(m-1)}\right) v_k,$$

where

$$|\Gamma_k| = v_k (k = 1, 2, \dots, m-1),$$

and

$$s = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2m}\right)^{\frac{1}{N}} r.$$

Since the sets are bounded, there exists a sphere  $S[O, M]$  which contains all the sets  $A$  and  $A_i (i = 1 \dots, m-1)$ . We choose  $\delta_1$  such that  $0 < \delta_1 < \frac{r-s}{r+1}$ .

Let  $c_k = a - a_k, k = 1, \dots, m-1$ . Let the transformations  $T_1^k$  and  $T_2$  be given by

$$T_1^k : \bar{x}_i = x_i + c_k, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, m-1$$

$$T_2 : x_i' = \sum_{j=1}^N a_{ij} \bar{x}_j,$$

where in (1) and (2)  $\delta$  is to be replaced by  $\delta_1$ .

Let  $X = \Gamma \cap A$  and  $X_k = T_{\delta_1}^k (\Gamma_k \cap A_k), k = 1, \dots, m-1$  where  $T_2 T_1^k = T_{\delta_1}^k$ .

We show that  $|Y| > 0$ ,

where  $Y = X \cap X_1 \cap X_2 \cap \dots \cap X_{m-1}$ .

If  $x'$  be the corresponding point of  $x$  under  $T_2$  then from the conditions imposed on the elements  $a_{ij}$ , it follows that  $|x - x'| < \delta_1$ . So,  $X_k \subset \Gamma, k = 1, 2, \dots, m-1$ .

Again, if

$$\Phi(x_{11}, x_{12}, \dots, x_{1N}; x_{21}, x_{22}, \dots, x_{2N}; \dots; x_{N1}, x_{N2}, \dots, x_{NN}) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 + x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1N} \\ x_{21} & 1 + x_{22} & \dots & x_{2N} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ x_{N1} & x_{N2} & \dots & 1 + x_{NN} \end{vmatrix}$$

then as in theorem 1, there exists  $\delta_2 > 0$  such that

$$\Phi(x_{11}, x_{12}, \dots, x_{1N}; x_{21}, x_{22}, \dots, x_{2N}; \dots; x_{N1}, x_{N2}, \dots, x_{NN}) > 1 - \frac{1}{(4m-5)(2m-1)}$$

for

$$|x_{ij}| < \delta_2.$$

Thus, if we choose  $\delta = \min \{\delta_1, \delta_2\}$  then

$$D_\delta > 1 - \frac{1}{(4m-5)(2m-1)}$$

where  $D_\delta$  is the determinant of  $T_\delta^k$ .

Now  $|Y| > \nu - [ |X'| + |X'_1| + \dots + |X'_{m-1}| ],$

where the dashes denote complements with respect to  $\Gamma$ .

But  $|X'| < \nu - \left( 1 - \frac{1}{4(m-1)} \right) \nu = \frac{1}{4(m-1)} \nu$

and

$$|X'_k| < \nu - D_\delta \left( 1 - \frac{1}{4(m-1)} \right) \nu_k,$$

$$k = 1, 2, \dots, m-1.$$

$$= \nu - D_\delta \left( 1 - \frac{1}{4(m-1)} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2m} \right) \nu = \nu \left[ 1 - D_\delta \frac{(4m-5)(2m-1)}{4(m-1)2m} \right].$$

Therefore,  $|X'_1| + |X'_2| + \dots + |X'_{m-1}|$

$$< \nu \left[ (m-1) - D_\delta \frac{(4m-5)(2m-1)}{8m} \right] < \nu \left[ (m-1) - \frac{(4m-5)(2m-1)}{8m} + \frac{1}{8m} \right].$$

Hence,  $|Y| > \nu \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{4(m-1)} - (m-1) + \frac{(4m-5)(2m-1)}{8m} - \frac{1}{8m} \right]$

$$= \nu \left[ \frac{m^2 - 2}{4m(m-1)} \right] > 0.$$

Thus, if  $\xi \in Y$  then  $\xi \in \Gamma \cap A$  and  $\xi \in T_\delta^k (\Gamma_k \cap A_k), k = 1, 2, \dots, m-1.$

So,  $\xi \in A$  and  $T_\delta^{k-1} \xi \in A_k, k = 1, 2, \dots, m-1.$

This completes the proof.

We now give functional representations of the above theorems.

For this, we treat transformations as functions and a neighbourhood is defined for each function making the aggregate of such functions into a topological space and the transformations (functions) are treated as points of this space.

We proceed as follows [1]:

Let  $T$  denote the linear non-singular transformation, viz.

$$x'_i = \sum_{j=1}^N a_{ij} x_j + a_{i, N+1}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N; a_{ij} \text{ real.}$$

Now if we write

$$f = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1N} & a_{1N+1} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2N} & a_{2N+1} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ a_{N1} & a_{N2} & \cdots & a_{NN} & a_{NN+1} \end{pmatrix}$$

then by the function  $f$  we shall understand the correspondence between a set  $C (\subset R_N)$  and  $T(C)$ . Since  $T$  is non-singular,  $f$  transforms  $R_N$  onto  $R_N$  in a biuniform and bicontinuous manner. We denote by  $f(C)$  and  $f(\xi)$  the transform of the set  $C \subset R_N$  and the point  $\xi \in R_N$  respectively by the function  $f$  (i. e. transformation  $T$ ).

Let now  $\varepsilon$  be any positive number and

$$g = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \cdots & x_{1N} & a_{1N+1} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \cdots & x_{2N} & a_{2N+1} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ x_{N1} & x_{N2} & \cdots & x_{NN} & a_{NN+1} \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $x_{ij}$ 's are any real numbers such that

$$a_{ij} - \varepsilon < x_{ij} < a_{ij} + \varepsilon, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N; j = 1, 2, \dots, N.$$

Then we say that the set of functions  $g$  constitutes a neighbourhood of  $f$ . Having given  $\varepsilon > 0$  we say that the neighbourhood of  $f$  is determined by  $\varepsilon$ .

In the light of the above considerations, Theorem 1 proved above may be restated as follows:

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two bounded closed sets of positive measures in  $R_N$  and  $p$  be any positive integer. Then there exist a  $\delta (> 0)$  and  $p$  vectors  $c^{(k)} = (c_1^{(k)}, c_2^{(k)}, \dots, c_N^{(k)})$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, p$  such that if  $f_k (k = 1, 2, \dots, p)$  be any function belonging to the neighbourhood of

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & c_1^{(k)} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & c_2^{(k)} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 & c_N^{(k)} \end{pmatrix}$$

determined by  $\delta$ , then the set

$$A \cap f_1(B) \cap f_2(B) \cap \cdots \cap f_p(B) \text{ is of positive measure.}$$

Similarly, in the same light functional representations of Theorem 2 and Theorem 3 will follow.

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