

THE EXISTENCE OF STRONG LIFTINGS FOR TOTALLY ORDERED MEASURE SPACES

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Let X be a totally ordered space, μ a finite Borel measure on X with full support, and \mathcal{F} the σ -algebra of all μ^* -measurable subsets of X . Then there exists a lifting $\rho: \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$ which satisfies $U \subset \rho(U)$ for every open subset U of X .

Assume that X is a topological space and μ a finite, Borel measure on X with full support. We are interested in finding conditions for the topology of X , which insure the existence of strong liftings for the associated topological measure space. In [8] Losert has given an example showing that this is not always possible even if X is compact. On the other hand Graf has proved that strong liftings always exist for measures on second countable spaces [6]. Other positive results on the existence of strong liftings are given in [2] and [4].

In this paper we show that every totally ordered measure space admits a strong lifting. Moreover we prove that if μ is a Radon, non-atomic measure on a totally ordered space then every lifting of the associated measure space is almost strong, if and only if, the set of all two sided limit points of the support of μ is μ^* -measurable with full measure.

1. Preliminaries and notation. Throughout X will be a set and " \leq " a total order on X . If x, y are two points of X , let $x < y$ means that $x \leq y$ and $x \neq y$. Let $(-\infty, x) = \{z \in X: z < x\}$, $(x, +\infty) = \{z \in X: x < z\}$ and $(x, y) = (-\infty, y) \cap (x, +\infty)$. Assume that $Y \subset X$ and $y \in Y$. We say that y is a left limit point of Y if $(-\infty, y) \cap Y \neq \emptyset$ and there is no z in Y such that $z < y$ and $(z, y) \cap Y = \emptyset$. Analogous is the definition of the right limit point. A point y in Y is said to be a two sided limit point of Y if it is both a left and right limit point of Y .

We say that (X, \leq) is a totally ordered (topological) space if its topology is generated by all the intervals of the form $(-\infty, x)$, $(x, +\infty)$. By a measure on X we mean a finite, non-negative, countably additive set function defined on the Borel sets of X . A measure μ on X is said to be Radon if it is inner approximated by the compact sets of X . The support S_μ of a measure μ on X is defined by

$$S_\mu = \bigcap \{F: F \text{ closed subset of } X \text{ such that } \mu(F) = \mu(X)\}.$$