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EXTENSIONS OF VECTOR-VALUED FUNCTIONS WITH PRESERVATION OF DERIVATIVES

Let X and Y be Banach or normed linear spaces and $F \subset X$ a closed set. We apply our recent extension theorem for vector-valued Baire one functions [KK, Theorem 1.1] to obtain an extension theorem for vector-valued functions $f: F \to Y$ with pre-assigned derivatives, with preservation of differentiability (at every point where the pre-assigned derivative is actually a derivative), preservation of continuity, preservation of (pointwise) Lipschitz property and (for finite dimensional domain X) preservation of strict differentiability and global (eventually local) Lipschitz continuity. It is a joint work with Jan Kolář. Our results can be roughly viewed as a joint generalization of extension theorems of Tietze-Dugundji, Whitney (C^1 -case) and McShane-Johnson-Lindenstrauss-Schechtman (see [JLS, Theorem 2]), all in pointwise fashion. Nevertheless, they were created as vector-valued generalizations of extension theorems of Aversa, Laczkovich, Preiss [ALP] and Koc, Zajíček [KZ].

Theorem 1. Let X, Y be normed linear spaces, $F \subset X$ a closed set, $f: F \to Y$ an arbitrary function and $L: F \to \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ a Baire one function. Let $p \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$. Then there exists a function $\overline{f}: X \to Y$ such that

- (i) $\bar{f} = f$ on F,
- (ii) if $a \in F$ and f is continuous at a (with respect to F), then \overline{f} is continuous at a,
- (iii) if $a \in F$, $\alpha \in (0,1]$ and f is α -Hölder continuous at a (with respect to F), then \overline{f} is α -Hölder continuous at a; in particular, if f is Lipschitz at a (with respect to F), then \overline{f} is Lipschitz at a,

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- (iv) if $a \in F$ and L(a) is a relative Fréchet derivative of f at a (with respect to F), then $(\bar{f})'(a) = L(a)$,
- (v) \overline{f} is continuous on $X \setminus F$,
- (vi) if X admits C^p -smooth partition of unity, then $\overline{f} \in C^p(X \setminus F, Y)$.

Moreover, if dim $X < \infty$, then

- (vii) if $a \in F$, L is continuous at a and L(a) is a relative strict derivative of f at a (with respect to F), then the Fréchet derivative $(\bar{f})'$ is continuous at a with respect to $(X \setminus F) \cup \{a\}$ and L(a) is the strict derivative of \bar{f} at a (with respect to X),
- (viii) if $a \in F$, R > 0, L is bounded on $B(a, R) \cap F$ and f is Lipschitz continuous on $B(a, R) \cap F$, then \overline{f} is Lipschitz continuous on B(a, r) for every r < R; if L is bounded on F and f is Lipschitz continuous on F, then \overline{f} is Lipschitz continuous on X.

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