# A NON-SEPARABLE MEASURABLE CHOICE PRINCIPLE RELATED TO INDUCED REPRESENTATIONS

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#### 1. Introduction.

Let G be a locally compact group, H a closed subgroup, K a topological group, and u a continuous homomorphism of H into K. We shall call a map P of G into K a  $\varrho$ -extension of u, if it is an extension of u satisfying

$$\forall g \in G \ \forall h \in H$$
:  $P(gh) = P(g)u(h)$ .

If T is a transversal containing the identity for the quotient map  $\pi: G \to G/H$ , then any identity preserving map of T into K is the restriction of a unique  $\varrho$ -extension, and conversely, if P is a  $\varrho$ -extension of an isomorphism, then the counter image of the identity is a transversal.

In some cases  $\varrho$ -extensions with useful continuity or measurability properties are known to exist, e.g. if G has countable basis for the topology, see [19, p. 104] and [20, p. 289], or if G is abelian and K = T or  $K = ]0, \infty[$ , cf. also [9]. The main result of the paper is an existence theorem of this type in the case where K is the unitary group of a von Neumann algebra with the ultraweak topology, and in the case where K is a closed subgroup of the unitary group of a von Neumann algebra with separable predual.

In some cases we can deduce the existence of measurable cross sections; and  $\varrho$ -extensions can be utilized in the theory of induced representations in much the same way as Borel cross sections are used in the case of second countable groups, cf. [19], [20]. We give some examples, among these a generalization of Theorem 8.2 of [20], cf. [2] Theorem 2.3, dropping the condition of countable basis on the groups but keeping it on the Hilbert space. This combined with results of Blattner [3] makes the little group method, [20] Theorem 8.4, work for  $\sigma$ -compact groups.

In a following paper we shall give another proof of the Mackey-Blattner-Nielsen theorem [24], cf. [25].

Most of our methods are borrowed from I. Segal's proof of the imprimitivity theorem [26, pp. 441–447], used here on an induced representation, and some

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of our results are implicitly given there. We also use the Aumann-von Neumann measurable choice principle [1], used in similar contexts in [14], [28] and [12]. We use freely [6], [7], [8], [10], and [11]. For the definition of induced representations in the non-separable case, see e.g. [24] section 2.

Professor Tatsuuma has kindly informed me that Takesaki and he has obtained (unpublished) Theorem 1 (a) of this paper some years ago, utilizing approximate cross sections, and not using the Aumann-von Neumann theorem.

#### 2. Preliminaries.

If T is a locally compact space,  $\mu$  a positive Radon measure on T, and S a topological space, we call a map f of T into S Lusin measurable if for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  any compact subset of T is the union of a compact set on which f is continuous and a set with measure less than  $\varepsilon$ , cf. [6]. If S is metrizable with countable basis, we usually just write measurable. If f is a Hilbert space and f is a measurable field when f is Lusin measurable for each f is a measurable subset of f, the essential measure of f is the supremum of the measures of the compact subsets of f, cf. [7]; we call f essential, if any nonempty relatively open subset has positive essential measure.

An essential value of a Lusin measurable map f of T into S is a point  $s \in S$  such that the counter image of any open neighbourhood of s has positive essential measure. The set of essential values of f is the closure of the set of values of f on essential compact (or measurable) sets on which f is continuous. Locally equivalent maps have the same essential values, and any Lusin measurable map is locally equivalent to a map taking essential values only. As in [6]  $\mathscr{L}^{\infty}(\mu)$  denotes the set of measurable complex functions on f with a bounded set of essential values, and f denotes the f classes with respect to equality locally almost everywhere (l.a.e.) of functions in f f classes

Now assume given a locally compact group G with left Haar measure dg and module  $\Delta_G$ , and a closed subgroup H with left Haar measure dh and module  $\Delta_H$ . Let  $\pi$  denote the quotient map of G onto G/H.

Choose a continuous  $\varrho$ -extension  $\varrho: G \to ]0, \infty[$  of  $h \mapsto \Delta_H(h)\Delta_G(h)^{-1}$ ,  $h \in H$ ; define a continuous function  $\kappa: G \times G/H \to ]0, \infty[$  by

$$\varkappa(g,\pi(k)) = \varrho(gk)\varrho(k)^{-1}, \quad g,k \in G,$$

and define a Radon measure  $\lambda$  on G/H by

$$\int_{G/H} \int_{H} f(gh) \, dh \, d\lambda \big( \pi(g) \big) \, = \, \int_{G} f(g) \varrho(g) \, dg, \quad f \in \mathscr{K}(G) \, .$$

The measure  $\lambda$  is quasi-invariant and

$$\int_{G/H} \varphi(g^{-1}x) d\lambda(x) = \int_{G/H} \varphi(x) \varkappa(g,x) d\lambda(x), \quad \varphi \in \mathscr{K}(G/H), g \in G,$$

cf. [9], [17], or [8].

Let u be a strongly continuous unitary representation of H on the non-zero Hilbert space h(u).

Let  $\mathscr{F}(u)$  denote the space of Lusin measurable functions  $f: G \to h(u)$  satisfying

$$\forall g \in G \ \forall h \in H \colon f(gh) = u(h)^{-1} f(g)$$

and

$$\int_{G/H} \|f(g)\|^2 d\lambda(\pi(g)) < \infty.$$

Let h(ind u) denote the Hilbert space of classes modulo equality l.a.e. of functions in  $\mathcal{F}(u)$ . We use the same notation for operators on  $\mathcal{F}(u)$  respecting the equivalence classes and the corresponding operators on h(ind u).

The induced representation  $\operatorname{ind}_{H\to G} u = U$  is defined by

$$(U(g)f)(k) = \varkappa(g^{-1}, \pi(k))^{\frac{1}{2}} f(g^{-1}k), \quad f \in \mathcal{F}(u), \ g, k \in G.$$

Define

$$(\varphi\xi)^{\mathbf{u}}(g) = \int_{H} \varphi(gh)u(h)\xi\,dh, \quad \varphi \in \mathcal{K}(G), \ \xi \in h(u) \ .$$

Then  $(\varphi \xi)^{\mu}$  is continuous and belongs to  $\mathscr{F}(u)$ , the corresponding elements in  $h(\operatorname{ind} u)$  span  $h(\operatorname{ind} u)$ , and for each  $g \in G$  the values  $(\varphi \xi)^{\mu}(g)$  span h(u) [19], [5].

LEMMA 1. Let A be a bounded measurable field:  $G \to \mathcal{L}(h(u))$  with the property

$$\forall g \in G, \ \forall h \in H: \quad A(gh) = u(h)^{-1}A(g)u(h)$$
.

If A(g)f(g) = 0 l.a.e. for every  $f \in \mathcal{F}(u)$ ,  $A(g)\xi = 0$  l.a.e. for every  $\xi \in h(u)$ , and A(g) = 0 l.a.e. if also h(u) is separable.

PROOF. For  $\varphi \in \mathcal{K}(G)$ ,  $\xi \in h(u)$  and F continuous in  $\mathcal{F}(u)$  we have

$$0 = \int_{G/H} (A(g)(\varphi \xi)^{u}(g) | F(g)) d\lambda(\pi(g))$$
$$= \int_{G/H} \int_{H} \varphi(gh)(u(h)A(gh)\xi | F(g)) dh d\lambda(\pi(g)),$$

so

$$0 = \int_{C} \varphi(g) (A(g)\xi | F(g)) \varrho(g) dg.$$

Since  $g \mapsto (A(g)\xi \mid F(g))\varrho(g)$  is locally integrable, the last formula holds for any  $\varphi \in \mathcal{L}^{\infty}(G)$  with compact support. So  $A(g)\xi = 0$  on any essential compact set K, on which  $g \mapsto A(g)\xi$  is continuous.

Define

$$p_{u}(\varphi)f = (\varphi \circ \pi)f, \quad \varphi \in \mathscr{L}^{\infty}(\lambda), f \in h(\text{ind } u).$$

Then  $p_{\mu}(\varphi) = 0$  if and, by Lemma 1, only if  $\varphi = 0$   $\lambda$  l.a.e.

Thus  $p_u$  defines an isomorphism and isometry (also denoted  $p_u$ ) of  $L^{\infty}(\lambda)$  onto a subalgebra  $\mathscr{A}$  of  $\mathscr{L}(h(\operatorname{ind} u))$ . Since  $p_u$  is continuous from  $\sigma(L^{\infty}(\lambda), L^1(\lambda))$  to weak operator topology, the unit sphere in  $\mathscr{A}$  is strongly closed and  $\mathscr{A}$  is a von Neumann algebra.

Since  $U(g) \mathscr{A} U(g)^{-1} = \mathscr{A}$ ,  $g \in G$ , and since the only U(g) invariant projections in  $\mathscr{A}$  are 0 and 1, because  $\lambda$  is ergodic,  $\mathscr{A}'$  is homogeneous, say of type  $I_n$ . It follows from Segal's proof of the imprimitivity theorem [26] combined with the Mackey-Blattner theorem [20], [4] that the multiplicity n of  $\mathscr{A}$  is equal to the dimension of h(u). We obtain it here as a corollary of Theorem 1.

Let  $h_n$  denote some Hilbert space with dimension n; there exists a unitary map D of  $L^2(\lambda, h_n)$  onto  $h(\operatorname{ind} u)$  intertwining the representation of  $L^{\infty}(\lambda)$  as multiplication operators on  $L^2(\lambda, h_n)$  and  $p_u$ , that is

$$D(\varphi f) = (\varphi \circ \pi)Df, \quad \varphi \in L^{\infty}(\lambda), \ f \in L^{2}(\lambda, h_{n}).$$

To any operator A in the commutant u(H)' of u(H) we define an operator  $\hat{A} \in \mathcal{L}(h(\operatorname{ind} u))$  by  $(\hat{A}f)(g) = A(f(g))$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{F}(u)$ . Then  $\hat{A} \in U(G)' \cap \mathcal{A}'$ , and  $A \mapsto \hat{A}$  is an injective \*-homomorphism, onto  $U(G)' \cap \mathcal{A}'$  by the Mackey-Blattner theorem [20], [4]. We sketch a proof. It is enough to show that to any closed  $U(G) \cup \mathcal{A}$ -invariant subspace L of  $h(\operatorname{ind} u)$  there exists a projection  $E \in u(H)'$ , such that  $\hat{E}$  is the projection on L.

If K is a u(H)-invariant closed subspace of h(u), let K denote the set of classes of functions in  $\mathcal{F}(u)$  with all essential values in K. If  $f \in \mathcal{F}(u)$  and L is a compact set on which f is continuous, then f is continuous on LH; if L is essential then so is LH, since if O is open any compact subset of  $OH \cap L$  is covered by finitely many translates of  $O \cap LH$ , so  $OH \cap L$  has essential measure zero if  $O \cap LH$  has. Thus any function in  $\mathcal{F}(u)$  is locally equivalent to a function in  $\mathcal{F}(u)$  taking essential values only. This implies that if  $F \in \mathcal{L}(h(u))$  is the projection on K, then  $\hat{F}$  is the projection on K. If L is a  $U(G) \cup \mathcal{L}$ -invariant closed subspace of  $h(\operatorname{ind} u)$  let L denote the closed subspace of h(u) spanned by the essential values of functions in  $\mathcal{F}(u)$  with equivalence classes in L. Then L is u(H)-invariant and  $L \subseteq L$ . To show equality it is enough to show that any essential value of any function  $h \in \mathcal{F}(u)$  with class orthogonal to L is orthogonal to L. So assume that there exists  $f \in \mathcal{F}(u)$  with class in L, and

essential values x of f and y of h, with  $(x|y) \neq 0$ ; then there exist compact sets K and M with positive measure, such that  $(f(k)|h(m)) \neq 0$  when  $k^{-1} \in K$  and  $m \in M$ ; since  $||1_M * 1_K||_1 \neq 0$  there exists  $a \in G$  such that  $N = aK^{-1} \cap M$  has positive measure, but this contradicts

$$\int_{G/H} \varphi \circ \pi(g) ((U(a)f)(g) | h(g)) d\lambda(\pi(g)) = 0,$$

if  $\varphi \in \mathscr{L}^{\infty}(\lambda)$  is chosen such that

$$\varphi \circ \pi(g) = \overline{\operatorname{sign} ((U(a)f)(g) | h(g))} 1_{N}(\pi(g)).$$

#### 3. The choice principle.

THEOREM 1. Let G be a locally compact group, H a closed subgroup, and u a strongly continuous unitary representation of H on a Hilbert space h(u).

- (a) There exists a  $\varrho$ -extension P of u with values in u(H)'', and with  $g \mapsto P(g)\xi$  and  $g \mapsto P(g)^*\xi$  Lusin measurable for each  $\xi \in h(u)$ .
- (b) If h(u) is separable, or if H is  $\sigma$ -compact and the center of u(H)'' is of countable type, then P can be chosen as a Lusin measurable map into the ultraweak closure  $\overline{u(H)}$  of u(H) in u(H)''.

Remark. We can obtain P with the following measurability property:

To each compact  $K \subseteq G$  there exists a family  $(h_i)_{i \in I}$  of pairwise orthogonal, separable closed subspaces of h(u), each invariant under P(K) and  $P(K)^*$ , with sum h(u), and such that each map  $k \mapsto P(k) | h_i$  is measurable.

Before the proof of Theorem 1 we mention some consequences.

COROLLARY 1.  $(\tilde{P}f)(\pi(g)) = P(g)(f(g))$  defines a map of  $\mathcal{F}(u)$  onto  $\mathcal{L}^2(\lambda, h(u))$  and a unitary map of  $h(\operatorname{ind} u)$  on  $L^2(\lambda, h(u))$ , transforming  $p_u$  into the representation of  $L^{\infty}(\lambda)$  as multiplication operators on  $L^2(\lambda, h(u))$ , and for each  $A \in u(H)'$  transforming the operator  $\hat{A}$  given by  $(\hat{A}f)(g) = A(f(g))$ , into the operator on  $L^2(\lambda, h(u))$  corresponding to the constant field  $x \mapsto A$  on G/H. The multiplicity n of  $p_u(L^{\infty}(\lambda))$  is equal to the dimension of h(u).

PROOF. Straight forward verification on basis on Theorem 1(a).

Corollary 2. Assume given a continuous homomorphism  $\psi$  of H into a locally compact group K with countable basis.  $\psi$  has a measurable  $\varrho$ -extension.

PROOF. Let  $\Phi$  be a homeomorphism and isomorphism of K with a closed

subgroup of the unitary group on a separable Hilbert space, e.g. the left regular representation. Choose a measurable  $\rho$ -extension P of  $\Phi \circ \psi$  and use  $\Phi^{-1} \circ P$ .

COROLLARY 3. Let N be a closed normal subgroup of H, and assume H/N has countable basis. There exists a measurable transversal and a Lusin measurable cross section for the natural map  $G/N \rightarrow G/H$ .

PROOF. Let  $\varphi$  denote the natural map  $G \to G/N$ . Choose a measurable  $\varrho$ -extension  $P: G \to H/N$  of  $\varphi \mid H$ . Then  $P^{-1}(\varrho N)$  has the form  $\varphi^{-1}(T)$  with T measurable in G/N;  $\varphi(\pi^{-1}(x))$  intersects T in a unique point c(x) for each  $x \in G/H$ . As  $g \mapsto gP(g)^{-1}$  is continuous where P is, and constant on H cosets, it defines a Lusin measurable cross section  $G/H \to G/N$ .

REMARK. Conversely, given a Lusin measurable cross section c with  $c(\pi(e)) = \varphi(e)$ ,  $g \mapsto [g^{-1}c(\pi(g))]^{-1}$  defines a Lusin measurable  $\varrho$ -extension. (To K compact in G we can choose a compact subset L of  $\pi(K)$  such that  $\pi^{-1}(L) \cap K$  has almost the same measure as K and  $c \mid L$  is continuous, so  $c \circ \pi$  is measurable.).

The case  $N = \{e\}$  should be compared with [23] and [13].

Corollary 4. If H has countable basis, any continuous homomorphism  $\psi$  of H into a topological group allows a Lusin measurable  $\varrho$ -extension.

**PROOF.** Choose a Lusin measurable  $\varrho$ -extension P of  $h \mapsto h$  and use  $\psi \circ P$ .

PROOF OF THEOREM 1. We split the proof in 7 steps.

STEP 1. We prove, after I. Segal [26, p. 445], that if G is  $\sigma$ -compact and h(u) is separable, then the multiplicity n of  $\mathscr{A}$  is  $\leq \aleph_0$ .

By the Mackey-Blattner theorem  $\mathscr{A}' \cap U(G)'$  is of countable type, and so has a separating sequence  $(x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$  of vectors. Then  $\{U(g)x_i \mid g \in G, i \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is  $\sigma$ -compact and metric and so contains a dense sequence  $(y_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ .

Let T be a projection in  $\mathscr{A}'$ , and assume  $Ty_j = 0$ ,  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ . Define  $S \in \mathscr{A}' \cap U(G)'$  by

$$S = \sup_{g \in G} U(g)TU(g)^{-1};$$

since  $U(g)TU(g^{-1})x_i=0$  for each  $g \in G$  and  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $Sx_i=0$  for each i, S=0, and T=0. Thus  $\mathscr{A}'$  is of countable type, and  $n \leq \aleph_0$ .

STEP 2. If h(u) is separable and  $n \le \aleph_0$ , then  $n = \dim h(u)$  and u has a Lusin measurable  $\varrho$ -extension with values in u(H).

The operator  $D: L^2(\lambda, h_n) \to h(\operatorname{ind} u)$  introduced in Section 2 can be disintegrated. We follow the proof in [10, pp. 167-168], making all the choices of functions in the start of the proof in  $\mathscr{F}(u)$ , making all exceptional local null sets counter images under  $\pi$  of local  $\lambda$  null sets, and using the axiom of choice to get cross sections over these. This way we obtain a bounded measurable map  $\tilde{D}: G \to \mathscr{L}(h_n, h(u))$  with the properties: if  $f \in \mathscr{L}^2(\lambda, h_n)$ , then  $g \mapsto \tilde{D}(g)(f \circ \pi(g))$  is a function  $G \to h(u)$ , whose class is the image under D of the class of f, and

$$\forall g \in G \ \forall h \in H: \quad \tilde{D}(gh) = u(h)^{-1}\tilde{D}(g)$$
.

Then  $g \mapsto \tilde{D}(g)^*$  is a bounded measurable map  $\tilde{D}^*: G \to \mathcal{L}(h(u), h_n)$ ; if  $f \in \mathcal{F}(u)$ , then  $\pi(g) \mapsto \tilde{D}^*(g)(f(g))$  is a well-defined function in  $\mathcal{L}^2(\lambda, h_n)$  whose class in the image under  $D^*$  of the class of f[10, p. 161]. Now  $g \mapsto \tilde{D}^*(g)\tilde{D}(g)$  is a disintegration of  $1 \in \mathcal{L}(h_n)$ , so  $\tilde{D}(g)$  is an isometry l.a.e. [10, p. 160] and  $g \mapsto \tilde{D}(g)\tilde{D}^*(g)$  is a disintegration of  $1 \in \mathcal{L}(h(u))$ , satisfying

$$\forall\,g\in G\,\,\forall\,h\in H\colon\quad \tilde{D}(gh)\tilde{D}^*(\dot{gh})\,=\,u(h)^{-1}\tilde{D}(g)\tilde{D}^*(g)u(h)\;.$$

Subtracting the constant field  $g \mapsto 1$ , and using Lemma 1 we see that  $\tilde{D}(g)$  is unitary outside the counter image of a local  $\lambda$  null set, which we may assume empty.

This proves  $n = \dim h(u)$ , when both are  $\leq \aleph_0$ , and so by Step 1 when h(u) is separable and G is  $\sigma$ -compact.

Define  $C(g) = \tilde{D}(e)\tilde{D}(g)^{-1}$ ; then C is a measurable unitary  $\varrho$ -extension of u.

LEMMA 2. Let S be a locally compact space and v a Radon measure on S. Let T be a topological space homeomorphic to a Borel set in a Polish space. Let M be a metrizable space, F a Borel set in M, and f a map:  $S \times T \rightarrow M$ . Assume that

$$\forall s \in S \ \exists t \in T: \ f(s,t) \in F, \ and$$

 $\forall s \in S: t \mapsto f(s,t)$  is continuous, and

 $\forall t \in T: s \mapsto f(s,t)$  is measurable.

Then there exists a measurable map  $\varphi: S \to T$ , with the property

$$\forall s \in S: f(s, \varphi(s)) \in F$$
.

PROOF. By a result of Mackey [19, Lemma 9.2]  $f^{-1}(F)$  is Borel in the product Borel structure on  $S \times T$ , where we use the Borel structure of measurable sets on S. Choose a local null set N and a locally countable family  $(K_i)_{i \in I}$  of pairwise disjoint compact sets in S, with  $S = \bigcup_{i \in I} K_i \cup N$ , and choose  $\varphi$  on each  $K_i$  by the Aumann-von Neumann measurable choice principle [1], and on N by the axiom of choice.

Now let T denote the unitary group on h(u), and let  $f: G/H \times T \to T/\overline{u(H)}$  be defined by  $f(\pi(g),Q) = QC(g)\overline{u(H)}$ ,  $g \in G$ ,  $Q \in T$ . The lemma ensures the existence of a map  $A: G/H \to T$ , such that  $A(\pi(g))C(g)\overline{u(H)} = \overline{u(H)}$  for all  $g \in G$ , and  $A(\pi(e)) = 1$ .

The map  $g \mapsto P(g) = A(\pi(g))C(g)$  is a Lusin measurable  $\varrho$ -extension of u with values in u(H).

STEP 3. If G is  $\sigma$ -compact, there exists a  $\varrho$ -extension P of u with values in u(H)'', and with  $g \mapsto P(g)\xi$  and  $g \mapsto P(g)^*\xi$  Lusin measurable for each  $\xi \in h(u)$ .

First note that H is  $\sigma$ -compact.

If u(H)'' has separable predual, u is quasi-equivalent to a representation on a separable Hilbert space k, i.e. there exists an isomorphism  $\Phi$  of u(H)'' with a sub von Neumann algebra of  $\mathcal{L}(k)$ . By Step 1 and Step 2 there exists a measurable  $\varrho$ -extension R of  $\Phi \circ u$  with values in  $\overline{\Phi \circ u(H)}$ ; then  $\Phi^{-1} \circ R$  is a measurable  $\varrho$ -extension of u with values in  $\overline{u(H)}$ .

If the center of u(H)' is of countable type then u(H)' contains a projection E of countable type with central carrier 1 [10, Lemme 7, p. 236]; Eh(u) is separable since cyclic subspaces under u(H) are, so  $A \mapsto A \mid Eh(u)$  defines a quasi-equivalence as wanted.

In any case there exists a family  $(E_i)_{i \in I}$  of pairwise orthogonal projections of countable type in the center of u(H)' with sum 1. The direct sums P(g) of the corresponding unitary operators  $P_i(g)$  on  $E_ih(u)$  define a  $\varrho$ -extension P of u with values in u(H)'', such that  $g \mapsto P(g)\xi$  and  $g \mapsto P(g)^*\xi$  are Lusin measurable for each  $\xi \in h(u)$ .

# STEP 4. Completion of the proof of Theorem 1 (a).

Let K be a compact set in G/H. Choose an open  $\sigma$ -compact subgroup  $G_0$  of G with  $\pi(G_0) \supseteq K$ . Let  $H_0 = G_0 \cap H$  and  $u_0 = u \mid H_0$ . Choose a  $\varrho$ -extension  $P_0$  of  $u_0$  with values in  $u_0(H_0)'' \subseteq u(H)''$ , such that  $g \mapsto P_0(g)\xi$  and  $g \mapsto P_0(g)^*\xi$  are Lusin measurable on  $G_0$  for each  $\xi \in h(u)$ .

Then  $gh \mapsto P_0(g)u(h)$  is a well-defined map  $P: G_0H \to u(H)''$ , and P(ghk) = P(gh)u(k) when  $k \in H$ . Let  $\xi \in h(u)$  and a compact set  $L \subseteq G_0H$  be given; choose  $L_0$  compact in  $G_0$  with  $L_0H = LH$ , and put  $M = (L_0^{-1}L) \cap H$ ; choose a dense sequence  $(x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$  in  $u(M)\xi$  and a compact set  $Q_0 \subseteq L_0$ , such that  $Q = (Q_0H) \cap L$  has almost the same measure as L and  $g \mapsto P_0(g)x_i$  is continuous on  $Q_0$  for each i; then  $g \mapsto P_0(g)u(h)\xi$  is continuous on  $Q_0$  for each  $h \in M$ ,  $(g,h) \mapsto P(gh)\xi$  is continuous on  $Q_0 \times M$ , and  $gh \mapsto P(gh)\xi$  is continuous on Q.

So  $g \mapsto P(g)\xi$  and (similarly)  $g \mapsto P(g)^*\xi$  are Lusin measurable on  $G_0H \supseteq \pi^{-1}(K)$  for each  $\xi \in h(u)$ .

Now write G/H as  $\bigcup_{i \in I} K_i \cup N$ , where  $(K_i)_{i \in I}$  is a locally countable family of pairwise disjoint compact sets and N is a local  $\lambda$  null set. Define a map Q as P above on  $\pi^{-1}(K_i)$  for each  $i \in I$ , and by choice of an arbitrary cross section on  $\pi^{-1}(N)$ . Finally define  $P = Q(e)^{-1}Q$ .

STEP 5.  $n = \dim h(u)$ .

This is contained in Corollary 1, which is an immediate consequence of Theorem 1 (a).

STEP 6. If h(u) is separable, then u has a Lusin measurable  $\varrho$ -extension with values in  $\overline{u(H)}$ .

In fact  $n \leq \aleph_0$  by Step 5, so Step 2 applies.

STEP 7. Completion of the proof of Theorem 1 (b).

Assume H is  $\sigma$ -compact and the center of u(H)'' is of countable type. As in Step 3 there exists an isomorphism  $\Phi$  of u(H)'' with a von Neumann algebra on some separable Hilbert space. By Step 6 there exists a measurable  $\varrho$ -extension R of  $\Phi \circ u$  with values in  $\overline{\Phi} \circ u(H)$ ; then  $\Phi^{-1} \circ R$  is a measurable  $\varrho$ -extension of u with values in  $\overline{u(H)}$ .

### 4. The groupoid viewpoint. Some commutants.

Let the locally compact group G, the closed subgroup H, and the representation u of H be given as above. Let a  $\varrho$ -extension P of u be given with values in u(H)'' and such that P and  $P^*$  are measurable fields.

It is wellknown that products of measurable fields are measurable fields (cf. the proof in the beginning of Step 4 of the proof of Theorem 1). Also if Q is any Lusin measurable map on G, then  $(g,k) \mapsto Q(gk)$  is Lusin measurable on  $G \times G$ .

So  $(g_1, g_2) \mapsto P(g_1g_2)P(g_2)^{-1}$  is a measurable field on  $G \times G$ , constant on  $\{e\} \times H$  cosets, and defines a measurable field K on  $G \times G/H$  with values in u(H)'', also measurable in the variables separately. K satisfies:

$$\forall g_1, g_2 \in G \ \forall x \in G/H: \ K(g_1g_2, x) = K(g_1, g_2x)K(g_2x)$$

i.e. K is a representation of the associated groupoid, cf. [18]. Define the operator  $K(g, \lambda)$  on  $L^2(\lambda, h(u))$  by

$$(K(g,\lambda)f)(x) = K(g,x)f(x), f \in \mathcal{L}^2(\lambda,h(u)), g \in G, x \in G/H$$

and define V(g) on  $L^2(\lambda, h(u))$  by

$$(V(g)f)(x) = \varkappa(g^{-1},x)^{\frac{1}{2}}f(g^{-1}x)$$
.

Then just as in the second countable case

 $V(g)K(g,\lambda) = \tilde{P} \operatorname{ind} u(g)\tilde{P}^{-1}.$ 

PROPOSITION 1. The von Neumann algebra generated by  $\operatorname{ind} u(G)$  and  $p_u(L^{\infty}(\lambda))$  is spatially isomorphic to the von Neumann tensor product  $\mathcal{L}(L^2(\lambda)) \otimes u(H)''$ .

PROOF. By Corollary 1 of Theorem 1, and the Mackey-Blattner Theorem (cf. Section 2)  $\tilde{P}$  takes ind  $u(G)' \cap p_u(L^{\infty}(\lambda))'$  onto  $1 \otimes u(H)'$ .

A special case of this is [27, Lemma 10.1].

PROPOSITION 2. (cf. [27], [24]). To any operator  $A \in \mathcal{L}(h(\text{ind } u))$  commuting with  $p_u(L^{\infty}(\lambda))$  there exists a bounded measurable field  $a: G \to \mathcal{L}(h(u))$ , such that for each  $f \in \mathcal{F}(u)$  the function  $g \mapsto a(g)(f(g))$  is a function in  $\mathcal{F}(u)$  the class of which is the image under A of the class of f, and such that

$$\forall g \in G \ \forall h \in H : \ a(gh) = u(h)^{-1}a(g)u(h)$$
.

PROOF. By [21] or [29] any operator on  $L^2(\lambda, h(u))$  commuting with all multiplication operators can be disintegrated. Transformation with  $\tilde{P}$  gives the proposition.

## 5. Mackey's Theorem 8.2.

In this section H is a locally compact group; U = U(h) will denote the unitary group on a Hilbert space h, with ultraweak topology; T = U(C) will be identified with the center of U(h).

By a multiplier on  $H \times H$  we understand a map  $\omega: H \times H \to T$  measurable with respect to Haar measure on  $H \times H$ , and satisfying

$$\forall \, h_1, h_2, h_3 \in H \colon \omega(h_1, h_2) \omega(h_1 h_2, h_3) \, = \, \omega(h_1, h_2 h_3) \omega(h_2, h_3)$$

and

$$\omega(e,e) = 1.$$

We review some known facts, cf. [20], [16].

From  $\omega(h, e)\omega(h, k) = \omega(h, k)\omega(e, k)$  we see that  $\omega(h, e) = \omega(e, h) = 1$  for all  $h \in H$ .

The map  $k \mapsto \omega(h, k)$  is measurable on H for each  $h \in H$ . Without lack of generality we assume, to show this, that H is  $\sigma$ -compact. Let  $H_0$  denote the set

$$H_0 = \{ h \in H \mid k \mapsto \omega(h, k) \text{ is measurable} \}.$$

Since  $\omega(h_1h_2,k) = \omega(h_1,h_2)^{-1}\omega(h_1,h_2k)\omega(h_2,k)$ , and  $\omega(h^{-1},k) = \omega(h,h^{-1}k)^{-1}\omega(h,h^{-1})$ ,  $H_0$  is a subgroup of H. By the Fubini theorem the complement of  $H_0$  in H is a local null set, so  $H_0 = H$ .

An  $\omega$ -representation on a Hilbert space h = h(u) is a map  $u: H \to U(h)$  satisfying  $\forall h, k \in H: u(h)u(k) = \omega(h, k)u(hk)$ , and  $\forall \xi \in h(u): h \mapsto u(h)\xi$  is Lusin measurable.

When  $\omega$  is a multiplier on  $H \times H$ ,  $\gamma_{\omega}$  defined by

$$(\gamma_{\omega}(h)f)(k) = \omega(h, h^{-1}k)f(h^{-1}k), \quad h, k \in H, f \in \mathcal{L}^2(H),$$

is an  $\omega$ -representation of H. The Lusin measurability of  $h\mapsto \gamma_\omega(h)f$  follows from

LEMMA 3. Let S and T be locally compact spaces with Radon measures  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  respectively. Let  $\varphi$  be a bounded measurable complex function on  $S \times T$ , and assume that  $t \mapsto \varphi(s,t)$  is measurable for each  $s \in S$ . Define the operator  $\varphi(s,\beta)$  on  $L^2(\beta)$  by

$$(\varphi(s,\beta)f)(t) = \varphi(s,t)f(t), \quad f \in \mathcal{L}^2(\beta)$$
.

Then  $s \mapsto \varphi(s, \beta) f$  is Lusin measurable for each  $f \in L^2(\beta)$ .

PROOF. It is enough to observe that if K is a compact subset of S and L is a compact subset of T, then there exists a bounded sequence  $(\varphi_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  of functions in  $\mathcal{K}(S\times T)$  tending to  $\varphi$  almost everywhere on  $K\times L$ . (We owe this simple proof to C. Berg).

A projective representation of H on h is a continuous homomorphism:  $H \to U(h)/T$  (with quotient topology).

When v is an  $\omega$ -representation,  $h \mapsto v(h)\mathsf{T}$  is a projective representation, see [16] Theorem 3. For completeness we sketch a proof.

It is enough to show that to any  $\xi \in h(v)$  there exists a set  $A \subseteq G$  with positive essential measure, such that v maps  $A^{-1}A$  into  $\{\eta \in h(v) \mid \|\eta - \mathsf{T}\xi\| < 1\}$ ; choose a compact set  $K \subseteq G$  with positive measure, such that  $g \mapsto v(g)\xi$  is continuous on K, and a sequence  $(g_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$  of elements in K with  $\{g_i\xi \mid i \in \mathbb{N}\}$  dense in  $K\xi$ ; define

$$A = \{ y \in G \mid \exists t \in T : ||v(g)\xi - t\xi|| < \frac{1}{2} \};$$

then A is measurable, and has positive essential measure because  $K \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} g_i A$ ; and if  $a, b \in A$ ,  $s, t \in \mathbb{T}$  then

$$\|\dot{v}(a^{-1}b)\xi - t^{-1}s\omega(a^{-1},b)^{-1}\omega(a,a^{-1})\xi\|$$

$$\leq \|v(b)\xi - s\xi\| + \|t\xi - v(a)\xi\|.$$

When w is a projective representation,  $\tilde{H} = \{(h, u) \in H \times U \mid w(h) = u\mathsf{T}\}$  is a closed subgroup of  $H \times U$ ;  $(h, u) \mapsto h$  is a continuous homomorphism of  $\tilde{H}$  onto H with kernel  $\{(e, t) \mid t \in \mathsf{T}\}$ , open since the image of  $(V \times W) \cap \tilde{H}$  is  $V \cap w^{-1}(W)$ , so  $\tilde{H}$  is an extension of  $\mathsf{T}$  by H, cf. [15]. The homomorphism  $\tilde{w}: (h, u) \mapsto u$  restricts to  $t \mapsto t1$  on (the copy in  $\tilde{H}$  of)  $\mathsf{T}$ , and  $\tilde{w}(\tilde{h})\mathsf{T} = w(\tilde{h}\mathsf{T})$ ,  $\tilde{h} \in \tilde{H}$ .  $\tilde{H}$  is locally compact by [22, p. 52].

When  $\tilde{H}$  is an extension of T by H there exists a Lusin measurable cross section  $c: H \to \tilde{H}$  with c(e) = e, by Corollary 3 of Theorem 1, cf. [16]. We give a direct proof, related to the proof by Takesaki and Tatsuuma of Theorem 1 (a). Choose a function  $f \in \mathcal{K}(G)$  with f(t) = t,  $t \in T$ ; define

$$d(g) = \int_{\mathsf{T}} f(gt)t^{-1} dt;$$

then  $g \mapsto g(\operatorname{sign} d(g))^{-1}$  defines a continuous cross section in a neighbourhood of T; from this it is easy to construct a Lusin measurable cross section.

When c is a Lusin measurable cross section with c(e) = e, then  $(h_1, h_2) \mapsto c(h_1)c(h_2)c(h_1h_2)^{-1}$  defines a multiplier  $\omega_c$ .

If v is an  $\omega$ -representation and  $\widetilde{H}$  and  $\widetilde{v}$  are the extension and the representation corresponding to  $h \mapsto v(h)\mathsf{T}$ , and c is a Lusin measurable cross section  $H \to \widetilde{H}$  with c(e) = e, then  $\widetilde{v}(c(h))\mathsf{T} = v(h)\mathsf{T}$ , and  $h \mapsto d(h) = c(h)\widetilde{v}(c(h))^{-1}v(h)$  defines a new Lusin measurable cross section with  $\omega_d = \omega$  and  $\widetilde{v} \circ d = v$ .

When  $\tilde{H}$  is an extension of T by H and c is a Lusin measurable cross section with c(e)=e, then  $\tilde{h}\mapsto c(\tilde{h}\mathsf{T})^{-1}\tilde{h}$  is measurable  $\tilde{H}\to\mathsf{T}$  (see remark after Corollary 3 of Theorem 1), and for any  $\omega_c$ -representation v of H the map  $\tilde{h}\mapsto v(\tilde{h}\mathsf{T})c(\tilde{h}\mathsf{T})^{-1}\tilde{h}$  defines a representation  $\tilde{v}$  of  $\tilde{H}$  with  $\tilde{v}(t)=t\cdot 1$ ,  $t\in\mathsf{T}$ , and  $\tilde{v}\circ c=v$ . Thus  $x\mapsto x\circ c$  is a bijection of the set of representations of  $\tilde{H}$  restricting to  $t\mapsto t\cdot 1$  on T onto the set of  $\omega_c$ -representations of H. E.g.  $\gamma_{\omega_c}$  corresponds to the representation of  $\tilde{H}$  induced from the representation  $t\mapsto t$  of T on C.

PROPOSITION 3. Let H be locally compact group, N a closed normal subgroup, and v an irreducible representation of N on a separable Hilbert space h(v). Assume that the class of v is invariant under H, i.e.

$$\forall h \in H \exists u(h) \subset U(h(v)) \forall n \in N: \quad v(hnh^{-1}) = u(h)v(n)u(h)^{-1}.$$

Then there exists a multiplier representation w of H, which is also a  $\varrho$ -extension of v; the corresponding multiplier is constant on  $N \times N$  cosets.

PROOF. Choose a sequence  $(n_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$  of elements in N such that  $\{v(n_i) \mid i \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is dense in v(N). Define

$$\varphi_i(h, u) = v(hn_ih^{-1})uv(n_i)^{-1}u^{-1}, \quad h \in H, u \in U,$$

and let  $\varphi$  denote the continuous map  $(h, u) \mapsto (\varphi_i(h, u))_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$  of  $H \times U$  into the product of countably many copies of U. Since  $\{v(n_i) \mid i \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is dense in v(N) and the class of v is invariant,

$$\varphi^{-1}(1) = \{(h, u) \in H \times U \mid \forall n \in N : v(hnh^{-1}) = uv(n)u^{-1}\}.$$

By Lemma 2 there exists a measurable map  $a: H \to U$ , such that  $(h, a(h)) \in \varphi^{-1}(1)$ ,  $h \in H$ ; we may assume  $a \mid N = v$ , because N is open or a local null set in H. Since v is irreducible,  $h \mapsto a(h)T$  is a projective representation and  $\varphi^{-1}(1)$  is the corresponding extension  $\tilde{H}$  of T by H.

Let  $\tilde{N}$  denote the counter image of N in  $\tilde{H}$ ; i.e.

$$\tilde{N} = \{(n, v(n)t) \mid n \in \mathbb{N}, t \in \mathsf{T}\}.$$

Then  $(n, v(n)t) \mapsto t$  is a continuous homomorphism:  $\widetilde{N} \to T$ ; let  $q: \widetilde{H} \to T$  be a measurable  $\varrho$ -extension (Corollary 2 of Theorem 1). Define  $W: \widetilde{H} \to U$  by  $W(h, u) = q(h, u)^{-1}u$ . W is measurable and constant on T cosets, and thus defines a measurable map  $w: H \to U$ . Then  $w(h) = q(h, a(h))^{-1}a(h)$ ,  $h \in H$ , and straight forward computations show that w has the wanted properties.

Now let M be a closed subgroup of H. We shall say that a multiplier  $\omega$  on  $H \times H$  is adapted to M, if  $\omega \mid M \times H$  is measurable with respect to Haar measure on  $M \times H$ .

LEMMA 4. Let  $\omega$  be a multiplier on  $H \times H$ . There exists a measurable function  $a: H \to T$ , such that the multiplier

$$(h_1, h_2) \mapsto a(h_1)a(h_2)a(h_1h_2)^{-1}\omega(h_1, h_2)$$

on  $H \times H$  is adapted to M. There exists an  $\omega$ -representation v of H such that  $v \mid M$  is a measurable field on M, if and only if  $\omega$  is adapted to M. If  $\omega$  is adapted to M, then  $\omega \mid M \times M$  is a multiplier on  $M \times M$ , and the restriction to M of any  $\omega$ -representation of H is an  $\omega \mid M \times M$ -representation of M.

PROOF. Choose an extension  $\tilde{H}$  of T by H and a cross section  $d: H \to \tilde{H}$  with  $\omega_d = \omega$ . Let  $\tilde{M}$  be the counter image of M in  $\tilde{H}$ ; then  $\tilde{m} \mapsto \tilde{m} T$  is an open mapping of  $\tilde{M}$  onto M. Choose a Lusin measurable cross section  $c: M \to \tilde{M}$  with c(e) = e, and define c(h) = d(h),  $h \in H \setminus M$ , and define  $a = d^{-1}c$ . Then c is Lusin measurable, and  $(m, h) \mapsto c(mh)$  is Lusin measurable on  $M \times H$  by a well known argument based on the homeomorphism  $(m, h) \mapsto (m, mh)$ , so  $\omega_c$  is adapted to M.

Assume there exists an  $\omega$ -representation v of H such that  $v \mid M$  is a measurable field on M. Then  $(m,h) \mapsto v(mh)$  is a measurable field on  $M \times H$ , and  $\omega$  is adapted to M.

Now assume  $\omega$  is adapted to M. Then  $\gamma_{\omega} | M$  is a measurable field on M by Lemma 3, and  $\omega | M \times M$  is measurable. In this case the cross section c can be chosen such that  $\omega_{c|M} = \omega | M \times M$ . Any  $\omega$ -representation w of H has the form  $\tilde{w} \circ c$  for some representation  $\tilde{w}$  of  $\tilde{H}$ ; hence  $w | M = \tilde{w} \circ (c | M)$  is a measurable field on M.

Theorem 2. (cf. [20], [2]). Let H be a locally compact group, N a closed normal subgroup,  $\omega$  a multiplier on  $H \times H$  adapted to N, and v an irreducible  $\omega \mid N \times N$ -representation of N on a separable Hilbert space h(v). Assume

$$\forall h \in H \ \exists u(h) \in U(h(v)) \ \forall n \in N$$
:

$$\omega(h,n)\omega(hn,h^{-1})\omega(h^{-1},h)^{-1}v(hnh^{-1}) = u(h)v(n)u(h)^{-1}.$$

Then there exist a multiplier  $\omega_1$  on  $H \times H$  constant on  $N \times N$  cosets and an  $\omega \overline{\omega_1}$ -representation w of H extending v.

PROOF. Let  $\tilde{H}$  be an extension of T by H and c a cross section  $H \to \tilde{H}$  with  $\omega_c = \omega$  and c and  $c \mid N$  Lusin measurable. Let  $\tilde{N}$  be the counter image of N in  $\tilde{H}$ , and let  $\tilde{v} : \tilde{n} \mapsto v(\tilde{n}\mathsf{T})c(\tilde{n}\mathsf{T})^{-1}\tilde{n}$  be the representation of  $\tilde{N}$  corresponding to v. The class of  $\tilde{v}$  is invariant under  $\tilde{H}$ ,  $\tilde{v}(\tilde{h}\tilde{n}\tilde{h}^{-1}) = \tilde{u}(\tilde{h})\tilde{v}(\tilde{n})\tilde{u}(\tilde{h})^{-1}$ , where  $\tilde{u}(\tilde{h}) = u(\tilde{h}\mathsf{T})c(\tilde{h}\mathsf{T})^{-1}\tilde{h}$ . So by Proposition 3 there exists a multiplier  $\tilde{\omega}$  on  $\tilde{H} \times \tilde{H}$  constant on  $\tilde{N} \times \tilde{N}$  cosets and an  $\tilde{\omega}$ -representation  $\tilde{w}$  of  $\tilde{H}$  extending  $\tilde{v}$ .

From  $\tilde{w}(\tilde{h}\tilde{n}) = \tilde{w}(\tilde{h})\tilde{v}(\tilde{n})$  we get that  $\tilde{h} \mapsto \tilde{w}(c(\tilde{h}\mathsf{T})) = \tilde{w}(\tilde{h})\tilde{h}^{-1}c(\tilde{h}\mathsf{T})$  is measurable and constant on T cosets, so  $w = \tilde{w} \circ c$  is measurable on H; also  $w(n) = \tilde{v}(c(n)) = v(n)$  when  $n \in N$ .

Define  $\omega_1(h_1, h_2) = \tilde{\omega}(c(h_1), c(h_2))$ ,  $h_1, h_2 \in H$ ; then  $\omega_1$  is measurable and constant on  $N \times N$  cosets, and w is an  $\omega \omega_1$ -representation.

As noted in [2] Theorem 8.3 of [20] is easily extended. Concerning Theorem 8.1 of [20], see [3] and [2]. Combination gives a generalization of Theorem 8.4 of [20] valid (in the case of ordinary representations) for a locally compact group G and a closed normal subgroup N of type I with  $\hat{N}/G$  almost Hausdorff, provided that for any  $\psi \in \hat{N}$  the Hilbert space of  $\psi$  is separable and the coset space G/H of G over the isotropy group  $H = G_{\psi}$  of  $\psi$  is  $\sigma$ -compact.

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