

## Extenders and $\varkappa$ -Metriizable Compacta\*

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**Abstract**—A characterization of  $\varkappa$ -metriizable compacta in terms of extension of functions and upper semicontinuous compact-valued retractions to superextensions is established.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

All topological spaces considered in this paper are assumed to be compact and Hausdorff and all single-valued maps, continuous.

Our main result is a characterization of  $\varkappa$ -metriizable compacta (see Theorem 1.1 below) similar to the original definition of *Dugundji spaces* given by Pełczyński in [1] (recall that the class of  $\varkappa$ -metriizable spaces was introduced by Shchepin [2] and contains all Dugundji spaces). This characterization is inspired by Shapiro's theorem [3, Theorem 3] that a compact space  $X$  is  $\varkappa$ -metriizable if and only if, for any embedding of  $X$  in a compact space  $Y$ , there exists a *monotone extender*

$$u: C_+(X) \rightarrow C_+(Y),$$

i.e.,  $u(f)|_X = f$  for each  $f \in C_+(X)$  and  $f \leq g$  implies  $u(f) \leq u(g)$ . Here by  $C(X)$  and  $C_+(X)$  we denote, respectively, all continuous and continuous nonnegative functions on  $X$ . Following [3], we say that a map  $u: C(X) \rightarrow C(Y)$  is (i) *monotone* (ii) *homogeneous*, or (iii) *weakly additive* if, for any  $f, g \in C(X)$  and every real number  $k$ ,

(i)  $f \leq g$  implies  $u(f) \leq u(g)$ ,

(ii)  $u(k \cdot f) = k \cdot u(f)$ , or

(iii)  $u(f + k) = u(f) + k$ ,

respectively. If a map  $u$  satisfies conditions (i), (ii), and (iii), then  $u(1) = 1$ ,  $u(0) = 0$ , and  $u(g) \geq 0$  for any  $f \in C(X)$  and  $g \in C_+(X)$ .

We say that a map  $\varphi: C(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is monotone, homogeneous, or weakly additive if  $\varphi$  satisfies condition (i), (ii), or (iii) with  $\mathbb{R}$  instead of  $C(Y)$ . We also introduce and investigate a covariant functor  $S$  which takes each  $X$  to the space  $S(X)$  of all monotone homogeneous weakly additive maps  $\varphi: C(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with the topology of pointwise convergence. It is easy to see that the map defined by  $x \rightarrow \delta_x$  for  $x \in X$ , where  $\delta_x(f) = f(x)$  for all  $f \in C(X)$  and  $x \in X$ , is an embedding of  $X$  into  $S(X)$ . It turns out that  $\varkappa$ -metriizable compacta are precisely  $S$ -injective compact spaces in the sense of Shchepin [4]. The functor  $S$ , which is a subfunctor of the functor  $O$  introduced by Radul in [5], has remarkable properties. For example,  $S$  is open and weakly normal (see Sec. 2).

The characterization of  $\varkappa$ -metriizable compacta mentioned above is as follows.

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**Theorem 1.1.** *For a compact space  $X$ , the following conditions are equivalent:*

- i)  $X$  is  $\kappa$ -metrizable;
- ii) for any embedding of  $X$  in a compact space  $Y$ , there exists a monotone homogeneous weakly additive extender  $u: C(X) \rightarrow C(Y)$ ;
- iii) for any embedding of  $X$  in a compact space  $Y$ , there exists a continuous map  $r: Y \rightarrow S(X)$  such that  $r(x) = \delta_x$  for all  $x \in X$ ;
- iv) for any embedding of  $X$  in a compact space  $Y$ , there exists an upper semicontinuous compact-valued map  $r: Y \rightarrow \lambda X$  such that  $r(x) = \eta_x$  for all  $x \in X$ .

Theorem 1.1 remains valid if  $S$  is replaced by  $O$ ; see Theorem 4.2.

Supercompacta and superextensions were introduced by de Groot [6]. A space is said to be *supercompact* if it has a binary subbase for closed subsets. A family  $\mathcal{S}$  of closed subsets of  $X$  is *binary* if any linked subfamily of  $\mathcal{S}$  has nonempty intersection (we say that a system of subsets of  $X$  is *linked* if any two elements of this system intersect). Of special interest to us are supercompacta with a binary normal subbase. A subbase  $\mathcal{S}$  is said to be *normal* if, for any  $S_0, S_1 \in \mathcal{S}$  with  $S_0 \cap S_1 = \emptyset$ , there exist  $T_0, T_1 \in \mathcal{S}$  such that

$$S_0 \cap T_1 = \emptyset = T_0 \cap S_1 \quad \text{and} \quad T_0 \cup T_1 = X.$$

A space  $X$  possessing a binary normal subbase  $\mathcal{S}$  is said to be *normally supercompact* [7] and denoted by  $(X, \mathcal{S})$ .

The *superextension*  $\lambda X$  of  $X$  consists of all maximal linked systems of closed sets in  $X$ . The family of sets

$$U^+ = \{\eta \in \lambda X : F \subset U \text{ for some } F \in \eta\},$$

where  $U$  ranges over all open subsets of  $X$ , is a subbase for the topology of  $\lambda X$ . It is well known that  $\lambda X$  is normally supercompact. Let  $\eta_x$ , where  $x \in X$ , be a maximal linked system of all closed sets containing  $x$  in  $X$ . The map  $x \rightarrow \eta_x$  is an embedding of  $X$  into  $\lambda X$ . The book [7] by van Mill contains more detailed information about normally supercompact spaces and superextensions; see also the book [8] by Fedorchuk and Filippov.

This paper is organized as follows. Section 2 is devoted to the functor  $S$ . In Sec. 3, we investigate a relationship between  $\kappa$ -metrizable compacta and spaces with a closed binary subbase. As corollaries, we obtain Ivanov's results from [9] and [10] concerning superextensions of  $\kappa$ -metrizable compacta, as well as results of Moiseev [11] on closed hyperspaces of inclusions. The proof of Theorem 1.1 is given in the final Section 4.

## 2. MONOTONE HOMOGENEOUS WEAKLY ADDITIVE FUNCTIONALS

The space  $S(X)$  can be represented as a subset of the product space  $\mathbb{R}^{C(X)}$  by identifying each  $\varphi \in S(X)$  with  $(\varphi(f))_{f \in C(X)} \in \mathbb{R}^{C(X)}$ . Note that, according to [5, Lemma 1], every monotone weakly additive functional is nonexpanding. Thus, all  $\mu \in S(X)$  are continuous maps on  $C(X)$ .

**Proposition 2.1.** *Let  $X$  be a compact space. Then  $S(X)$  is a compact convex subset of  $\mathbb{R}^{C(X)}$  containing the space  $P(X)$  of all regular probability measures on  $X$ .*

**Proof.** It can be proved by a standard argument that  $S(X)$  is a convex compact subset of  $\mathbb{R}^{C(X)}$ . Since  $P(X)$  is the space of all monotone linear maps  $\mu: C(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  $\mu(1) = 1$  endowed with the topology of pointwise convergence, it follows that  $P(X)$  is a subspace of  $S(X)$ .  $\square$

Obviously, for any map  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  between compacta, the formula

$$(S(f)(\mu))(h) = \mu(h \circ f), \quad \text{where } \mu \in S(X), \quad h \in C(Y),$$

defines a map  $S(f): S(X) \rightarrow S(Y)$ . Moreover,  $S(g \circ f) = S(g) \circ S(f)$ . Thus,  $S$  is a covariant functor in the category COMP of compacta and (continuous) maps.

We say that a covariant functor  $F$  in the category COMP is *weakly normal* if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (a)  $F$  preserves injective maps (i.e.,  $F$  is monomorphic);
- (b)  $F$  preserves surjective maps (i.e.,  $F$  is epimorphic);
- (c)  $F$  preserves intersections (i.e.,  $F(\bigcap_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha) = \bigcap_{\alpha \in A} F(X_\alpha)$  for any family of closed subsets  $X_\alpha$  of a given compact space  $X$ );
- (d)  $F$  is continuous (i.e.,  $F$  preserves the limits of inverse systems);
- (e)  $F$  preserves the weight of infinite compacta;
- (f)  $F$  preserves points and the empty set.

The above properties were considered in [4] by Shchepin, who introduced the important notion of a *normal functor*, that is, a weakly normal functor preserving preimages of sets. We have already mentioned that the functor  $S$  is a subfunctor of the functor  $O$  of order-preserving functionals introduced by Radul in [5]. Since  $O$  is weakly normal [5], it follows that  $S$  is injective and preserves weight, points, and the empty set.

**Theorem 2.2.** *The functor  $S$  is weakly normal but not normal.*

**Proof.** We follow the proof of a similar assertion for  $O$  given in [5]. First, let us show that  $S$  is epimorphic. Suppose that  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is a surjective map between compacta and  $\nu \in S(Y)$ . Let  $A$  denote the subspace of  $C(X)$  consisting of all compositions  $h \circ f$  for  $h \in C(Y)$ . We have  $0_X \in A$ , and if  $\varphi \in A$ , then  $A$  contains  $\varphi + k$  and  $k\varphi$  for any constant  $k \in \mathbb{R}$  (such a subspace  $A$  is called a *weakly additive homogeneous subspace* of  $C(X)$ ). Consider the monotone weakly additive homogeneous functional  $\mu': A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $\mu'(f \circ h) = \nu(h)$ . If  $\mu'$  can be extended to a functional  $\mu \in S(X)$ , then  $S(f)(\mu) = \nu$ . The proof that  $S$  is epimorphic is completed by applying the following statement.

**Statement 1.** *Let  $\mu': A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a monotone weakly additive homogeneous functional. Then  $\mu'$  can be extended to a monotone weakly additive homogeneous functional  $\mu: C(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .*

Following the proof of [5, Lemma 2], consider all pairs  $(B, \mu_B)$ , where  $B \supset A$ ,  $B$  is a weakly additive homogeneous subspace of  $C(X)$ , and  $\mu_B$  is a monotone weakly additive homogeneous functional on  $B$ . We define a partial order on these pairs by setting  $(B, \mu_B) \leq (C, \mu_C)$  if and only if  $B \subset C$  and  $\mu_C$  extends  $\mu_B$ . By Zorn's lemma, there exists a maximal pair  $(B_0, \mu_0)$ . If  $B_0 \neq C(X)$ , then we take any  $\varphi_0 \in C(X) \setminus B_0$  and define  $B_0^+ (B_0^-)$  to be the set of all  $\varphi \in B_0$  such that  $\varphi \geq \varphi_0$  (respectively,  $\varphi \leq \varphi_0$ ). Since  $\mu_0$  is monotone, there exists a  $p \in \mathbb{R}$  for which  $\mu_0(B_0^-) \leq p \leq \mu_0(B_0^+)$ . The set  $B_0$  is disjoint from  $\{k\varphi + c : k, c \in \mathbb{R}\}$ , and

$$D = B_0 \cup \{k\varphi + c : k, c \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

is a weakly additive homogeneous subspace of  $C(X)$ . Consider the functional  $\mu: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$\mu|_{B_0} = \mu_0 \quad \text{and} \quad \mu(k\varphi + c) = kp + c$$

for all constants  $k$  and  $c$ . It is easy to see that  $\mu$  is a monotone weakly additive homogeneous functional on  $D$  extending  $\mu_0$ , which contradicts the maximality of  $(B_0, \mu_0)$ . Hence  $B_0 = C(X)$ .

Therefore,  $S$  is epimorphic. This fact, together with the continuity of the functor  $O$  (see [5]), implies the continuity of  $S$ . The argument used in the proof of [5, Lemma 5 and Proposition 5] implies that  $S$  preserves intersections. Thus,  $S$  is weakly normal. In [5], an example showing that  $O$  does not preserve preimages is given; the same example, without any modification, shows that  $S$  does not preserve preimages either. □

Since  $S$  is monomorphic, it follows that the set

$$\text{supp}(\mu) = \bigcap \{H \subset X : H \text{ is closed and } \mu \in S(H)\}$$

is well defined for any  $\mu \in S(X)$ ; this set is called the *support* of  $\mu$ . Moreover,  $S$  is continuous and epimorphic; thus, Proposition 3.5 in [4] implies the following assertion.

**Corollary 2.3.** *The set  $S_\omega(X) = \{\mu \in S(X) : \text{supp}(\mu) \text{ is finite}\}$  is dense in  $S(X)$  for any compact space  $X$ .*

**Theorem 2.4.** *A surjective map  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is open if and only if so is the map  $S(f): S(X) \rightarrow S(Y)$ .*

**Proof.** We say that a subset  $A \subset S(X)$  is  $S$ -convex if  $A$  contains all  $\mu \in S(X)$  for which

$$\inf A \leq \mu \leq \sup A.$$

Here  $\inf A$  is the functional  $\inf A: C(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$(\inf A)(h) = \inf \{\nu(h) : \nu \in S(X)\};$$

the definition of  $\sup A$  is similar. Note that the functionals  $\inf A$  and  $\sup A$  are monotone and weakly additive but not homogeneous. Hence they are not elements of  $S(X)$ .

The proof of the theorem is completed by using the notion of  $S$ -continuity and following the same line of reasoning as in the proof of Theorem 1 in [12]. □

Recall that  $\varkappa$ -metrizable compacta are precisely compacta which can be represented as limits of inverse sigma-systems with open bonding maps [4]; therefore, Theorem 2.4 has the following corollary.

**Corollary 2.5.** *A compact space  $X$  is  $\varkappa$ -metrizable if and only if so is  $S(X)$ .*

**Proposition 2.6.** *For each compact space  $X$ , there exists an embedding  $i: \lambda X \rightarrow S(X)$  such that  $i(\eta_x) = \delta_x$  for any  $x \in X$ . Moreover, if  $X$  is disconnected, then  $i(\lambda X) \neq S(X)$ .*

**Proof.** The same argument as in the proof of Theorem 3 in [3] shows that

$$\max_{F \in \eta} \min_{x \in F} f(x) = \min_{F \in \eta} \max_{x \in F} f(x) \tag{1}$$

for any  $\eta \in \lambda X$  and  $f \in C(X)$ , and  $\varphi_\eta(f) = \max_{F \in \eta} \min_{x \in F} f(x)$  defines a monotone homogeneous weakly additive map  $\varphi_\eta: C(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Therefore,  $\varphi_\eta \in S(X)$  for any  $\eta \in \lambda X$ . Moreover,

$$\varphi_{\eta_x}(f) = \max_{\{F: x \in F\}} \min_{y \in F} f(y) = f(x) \quad \text{for any } x \in X.$$

Thus, the map  $i: \lambda X \rightarrow S(X)$  defined by  $i(\eta) = \varphi_\eta$  satisfies the condition  $i(\eta_x) = \delta_x$  for  $x \in X$ . To prove the first part of the proposition, we must show that  $i$  is injective and continuous.

Take  $\eta \in \lambda X$  and let  $W$  be a neighborhood of  $\varphi_\eta$  in  $S(X)$ . We can assume that  $W$  consists of all  $\varphi \in S(X)$  such that  $|\varphi_\eta(f_i) - \varphi(f_i)| < \epsilon_i$  for some functions  $f_i \in C(X)$  and numbers  $\epsilon_i > 0$ , where  $i = 1, \dots, k$ . We set

$$U_i = \{x \in X : f_i(x) > \varphi_\eta(f_i) - \epsilon_i\}, \quad V_i = \{x \in X : f_i(x) < \varphi_\eta(f_i) + \epsilon_i\}.$$

By virtue of (1), for any  $i \leq k$ , there exist  $F_i, H_i \in \eta$  such that  $F_i \subset U_i$  and  $H_i \subset V_i$ . The intersection  $G = \bigcap_{i=1}^{i=k} (U_i^+ \cap V_i^+)$  is a neighborhood of  $\eta$  in  $\lambda X$ , and  $i(\xi) \in W$  for all  $\xi \in G$ . Thus, the map  $i$  is continuous.

Let  $\eta$  and  $\xi$  be two different elements of  $\lambda X$ . Then there exist  $F_0 \in \eta$  and  $H_0 \in \xi$  for which  $F_0 \cap H_0 = \emptyset$ . Let  $f \in C_+(X)$  be a function with the properties  $f \leq 1$ ,  $f(F_0) = 1$ , and  $f(H_0) = 0$ . Then

$$\varphi_\eta(f) = \max_{F \in \eta} \min_{x \in F} f(x) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \varphi_\xi(f) = \min_{H \in \xi} \max_{x \in H} f(x) = 0.$$

This implies the injectivity of  $i$ .

The second part of the proposition follows directly from the fact that  $S(X)$  is always connected (as a convex set in  $\mathbb{R}^{C(X)}$ ), whereas  $\lambda X$  is disconnected for disconnected  $X$ . □

3.  $\varkappa$ -METRIZABLE COMPACT SPACES AND SUPEREXTENSIONS

Recall that a compact space  $X$  is said to be openly generated [4] if  $X$  is the limit space of an inverse sigma-system with open bonding maps. Shchepin [2] proved that any  $\varkappa$ -metrizable compact space is openly generated. On the other hand, any openly generated compact space is  $\varkappa$ -metrizable (see [4]); this follows from Ivanov's theorem that  $\lambda X$  is a Dugundji space for any openly generated  $X$  [9]. We apply Ivanov's result to prove Theorem 1.1 in the next section. For this reason, in this section, we give an independent proof of a more general assertion (Proposition 3.2). A part of this proof is Lemma 3.1, which was first proved by Shirokov in [13]. Shirokov's proof of Lemma 3.1 is based on Ivanov's result mentioned above, while our proof is based on Shchepin's results [14] on inverse systems with open bonding maps.

We say that a subspace  $X$  in a space  $Y$  is *regularly embedded* in  $Y$  if there exists a map  $e$  from the topology of  $X$  to the topology of  $Y$  which satisfies the conditions  $e(\emptyset) = \emptyset$ ,  $e(U) \cap X = U$ , and  $e(U) \cap e(V) = \emptyset$  provided that  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** *Any embedding of an openly generated compact space  $X$  in a space  $Y$  is regular.*

**Proof.** It suffices to prove the existence of a regular embedding of  $X$  in the Tychonoff cube  $\mathbb{I}^A$  for some  $A$ . Such an embedding exists if  $X$  is metrizable (see [15, Sec. 21. XI, Theorem 2]). Suppose that the required assertion holds for any openly generated compact space of weight  $< \tau$  and consider an openly generated compact space  $X$  of weight  $\tau$ . Such a space  $X$  is the limit of a well-ordered inverse system

$$S = \{X_\alpha, p_\beta^\alpha, \beta < \alpha < \omega(\tau)\}$$

in which all bonding maps  $p_\alpha: X \rightarrow X_\alpha$  are open surjections and all  $X_\alpha$  are openly generated compacta of weight  $< \tau$  (see [4]). Here  $\omega(\tau)$  denotes the first ordinal of cardinality  $\tau$ . By assumption, for any  $\alpha < \omega(\tau)$ , there exists a regular embedding of  $X_\alpha$  into the cube  $\mathbb{I}^{A(\alpha)}$ . According to [14],  $X$  has a base  $\mathcal{B}$  consisting of open sets  $U \subset X$  with finite rank  $d(U)$ , where

$$d(U) = \{\alpha : p_{\alpha+1}(U) \neq (p_\alpha^{\alpha+1})^{-1}(p_\alpha(U))\}.$$

For any  $U \in \mathcal{B}$ , we set

$$\Gamma(U) = \{\alpha_0, \alpha, \alpha + 1 : \alpha \in d(U)\},$$

where  $\alpha_0 \in A$  is fixed. Obviously,  $X$  is a subset of  $\prod\{X_\alpha : \alpha < \omega(\tau)\}$ . For any  $U \in \mathcal{B}$ , consider the open set  $\gamma_1(U) \subset \prod\{X_\alpha : \alpha < \omega(\tau)\}$  defined by

$$\gamma_1(U) = \prod\{p_\alpha(U) : \alpha \in \Gamma(U)\} \times \prod\{X_\alpha : \alpha \notin \Gamma(U)\}.$$

Let

$$\gamma(W) = \bigcup\{\gamma_1(U) : U \in \mathcal{B} \text{ and } \overline{U} \subset W\}, \quad W \in \mathcal{T}_X.$$

**Statement 2.** *The following assertions hold:*

- i)  $\gamma(W_1) \cap \gamma(W_2) = \emptyset$  whenever  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  are disjoint open sets in  $X$ ;
- ii)  $\gamma(W) \cap X = W$  for  $W \in \mathcal{T}_X$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that  $W_1 \cap W_2 = \emptyset$ . To prove assertion (i), it suffices to show that  $\gamma_1(U_1) \cap \gamma_1(U_2) = \emptyset$  for any pair of sets  $U_1, U_2 \in \mathcal{B}$  such that  $\overline{U_i} \subset W_i$  for  $i = 1, 2$ . Indeed, take such a pair  $U_1, U_2$  and let  $\beta = \max\{\Gamma(U_1) \cap \Gamma(U_2)\}$ . Then  $\beta$  is either  $\alpha_0$  or  $\max\{d(U_1) \cap d(U_2)\} + 1$ . In both cases, we have  $d(U_1) \cap d(U_2) \cap [\beta, \omega(\tau)) = \emptyset$ . It follows from [14, Sec. 5, Lemma 3] that  $p_\beta(U_1) \cap p_\beta(U_2) = \emptyset$ . The relation  $\beta \in \Gamma(U_1) \cap \Gamma(U_2)$  implies  $\gamma_1(U_1) \cap \gamma_1(U_2) = \emptyset$ .

Obviously,  $W \subset \gamma(W) \cap X$  for all  $W \in \mathcal{T}_X$ . Thus, condition (ii) will follow as soon as we prove that  $\gamma(W) \cap X \subset W$ . Take  $x \in \gamma(W) \cap X$  and  $U \in \mathcal{B}$  for which  $x \in \gamma_1(U)$  and  $\overline{U} \subset W$ . Let

$$\beta(U) = \max d(U) + 1.$$

Then  $p_\alpha(x) \in p_\alpha(U)$  for all  $\alpha \leq \beta(U)$ . Since  $\alpha \notin d(U)$  for all  $\alpha \geq \beta(U)$ , it follows that

$$(p_{\beta(U)}^\alpha)^{-1}(p_{\beta(U)}(x)) \subset p_\alpha(U) \quad \text{for } \alpha > \beta(U).$$

Therefore,  $p_\alpha(x) \in p_\alpha(U)$  for all  $\alpha$ , whence  $x \in \overline{U}$ . Thus,  $x \in W$ , which proves the required assertion.  $\square$

We want to show that the set  $\prod\{X_\alpha : \alpha < \omega(\tau)\}$  is regularly embedded in  $\prod\{\mathbb{I}^{A(\alpha)} : \alpha < \omega(\tau)\}$ . The regular embedding of  $X_\alpha$  in  $\mathbb{I}^{A(\alpha)}$  implies the existence of a regular operator  $e_\alpha : \mathcal{T}_{X_\alpha} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{I}^{A(\alpha)}}$  for each  $\alpha$ . Let  $\mathcal{B}_1$  be a base for the topology of  $\prod\{X_\alpha : \alpha < \omega(\tau)\}$  consisting of sets of the form

$$V = \prod\{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda(V)\} \times \prod\{X_\alpha : \alpha \notin \Lambda(V)\},$$

where  $\Lambda(V)$  is finite. To each  $V \in \mathcal{B}_1$  we assign the open set

$$\theta_1(V) \subset \prod\{\mathbb{I}^{A(\alpha)} : \alpha < \omega(\tau)\}$$

defined by

$$\theta_1(V) = \prod\{e_\alpha(U_\alpha) : \alpha \in \Lambda(V)\} \times \prod\{\mathbb{I}^{A(\alpha)} : \alpha \notin \Lambda(V)\}.$$

Consider the regular operator  $\theta$  from the topology of  $\prod\{X_\alpha : \alpha < \omega(\tau)\}$  to the topology of  $\prod\{\mathbb{I}^{A(\alpha)} : \alpha < \omega(\tau)\}$  defined by

$$\theta(G) = \bigcup\{\theta_1(V) : V \in \mathcal{B}_1 \text{ and } V \subset G\}.$$

By Statement 2,  $X$  is regularly embedded in  $\prod\{X_\alpha : \alpha < \omega(\tau)\}$ , and  $\gamma$  is the corresponding regular operator. Therefore, the relation  $e_1(W) = \theta(\gamma(W))$ , where  $W \in \mathcal{T}_X$ , defines a regular operator from the topology of  $X$  to that of  $\prod\{\mathbb{I}^{A(\alpha)} : \alpha < \omega(\tau)\}$ . Thus,  $X$  is regularly embedded in  $\mathbb{I}^A$ , where  $A = \bigcup\{A(\alpha) : \alpha < \omega(\tau)\}$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.2.** *Let  $X$  be an openly generated compact space with a binary subbase  $\mathcal{S}$  for closed subsets. Then  $X$  is a Dugundji space. Moreover, if, in addition,  $X$  is connected and  $\mathcal{S}$  is normal, then  $X$  is an absolute retract.*

**Proof.** Let  $X$  be an openly generated compact set with a binary subbase  $\mathcal{S}$  for closed subsets. The space  $X$  is embedded in  $\mathbb{I}^\tau$  for some  $\tau$ . By Lemma 3.1,  $X$  is regularly embedded in  $\mathbb{I}^\tau$ ; hence there exists a regular operator  $e : \mathcal{T}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{I}^\tau}$ . Consider the (set-valued) map  $r : \mathbb{I}^\tau \rightarrow X$  defined by

$$r(y) = \begin{cases} \bigcap\{I_{\mathcal{S}}(\overline{U}) : y \in e(U), U \in \mathcal{T}_X\} & \text{for } y \in \bigcup\{e(U) : U \in \mathcal{T}_X\}, \\ X & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \tag{2}$$

where  $\overline{U}$  is the closure of  $U$  in  $X$  and

$$I_{\mathcal{S}}(\overline{U}) = \bigcap\{S \in \mathcal{S} : \overline{U} \subset S\}.$$

Since  $e$  is regular, it follows that the system  $\gamma_y = \{U \in \mathcal{T}_X : y \in e(U)\}$  is linked for any  $y \in \mathbb{I}^\tau$ . Therefore, the system

$$\omega_y = \{S \in \mathcal{S} : \overline{U} \subset S \text{ for some } U \in \gamma_y\}$$

is linked as well, and  $r(y) = \bigcap\{S : S \in \omega_y\} \neq \emptyset$ .

It is easy to see that  $r(x) = x$  for all  $x \in X$ . Moreover,  $r$  is upper semicontinuous. Indeed, take  $y \in \mathbb{I}^\tau$  and suppose that  $r(y) \subset W$ , where  $W \in \mathcal{T}_X$ . Then there exist finitely many sets  $U_i \in \mathcal{T}_X$ , where  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ , for which

$$y \in \bigcap_{i=1}^{i=k} e(U_i) \quad \text{and} \quad \bigcap_{i=1}^{i=k} I_{\mathcal{S}}(\overline{U}_i) \subset W.$$

Obviously,  $r(y') \subset W$  for all  $y' \in \bigcap_{i=1}^{i=k} e(U_i)$ . Thus,  $r$  is an upper semicontinuous compact-valued retraction of  $\mathbb{I}^\tau$  to  $X$ . According to [16],  $X$  is a Dugundji space.

Now, suppose that  $X$  is connected and  $\mathcal{S}$  is a binary normal subbase for  $X$ . According to [7], any set of the form  $I_{\mathcal{S}}(F)$  is  $\mathcal{S}$ -convex (a set  $A \subset X$  is said to be  $\mathcal{S}$ -convex if  $I_{\mathcal{S}}(x, y) \subset A$  for any  $x, y \in A$ ). Thus, each  $r(y)$  is  $\mathcal{S}$ -convex. By Corollary 1.5.8 from [7], all closed  $\mathcal{S}$ -convex subsets in  $X$  are connected. Hence the map  $r$  defined by (2) is connected-valued. Therefore, according to [16],  $X$  is an absolute extensor in dimension 1, and there exists a map  $r_1: \mathbb{I}^\tau \rightarrow \exp X$  such that  $r_1(x) = \{x\}$  for all  $x \in X$  (see [17, Theorem 3.2]). Here  $\exp X$  is the space of all closed subsets of  $X$  with the Vietoris topology. On the other hand, since  $X$  is a normal supercompact space, there exists a retraction  $r_2$  of  $\exp X$  to  $X$  (see [7, Corollary 1.5.20]). The composition  $r_2 \circ r_1: \mathbb{I}^\tau \rightarrow X$  is a (single-valued) retraction. It follows that  $X \in \text{AR}$ . □

**Corollary 3.3** ([9], [10]). *If  $X$  is an openly generated compact space, then  $\lambda X$  is a Dugundji space. If, in addition,  $X$  is connected, then  $\lambda X$  is an absolute retract.*

**Proof.** It is easy to see that  $\lambda$  is a continuous functor preserving open maps (see [8]). Therefore,  $\lambda X$  is openly generated. Moreover,  $\lambda X$  has a binary normal subbase, and the application of Proposition 3.2 completes the proof. □

A closed subset  $\mathcal{A}$  of  $\exp X$  is called an *inclusion hyperspace* if, for any  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $B \in \exp X$ , the inclusion  $A \subset B$  implies  $B \in \mathcal{A}$ . The space of all inclusion hyperspaces with the topology induced by  $\exp^2 X$  is a closed subspace of  $\exp^2 X$ ; it is denoted by  $GX$  [11].

**Corollary 3.4** ([11]). *If  $X$  is an openly generated compact space, then  $GX$  is a Dugundji space. If, in addition,  $X$  is connected, then  $GX$  is an absolute retract.*

**Proof.** Since  $G$  is a continuous functor preserving open maps [18], it follows that  $GX$  is openly generated, provided that so is  $X$ . On the other hand,  $GX$  admits a binary subbase [19]. Hence, by Proposition 3.2,  $GX$  is a Dugundji space. Suppose that  $X$  is connected and openly generated. Then  $GX$  is a connected Dugundji space. Therefore,  $\lambda(GX)$  is an absolute retract. Moreover, there are natural inclusions

$$GX \subset \lambda(GX) \subset G^2 X = G(GX)$$

and a retraction of  $G^2 X$  to  $GX$  (see [19, Lemma 2]). Therefore,  $GX \in \text{AR}$  as a retract of  $\lambda(GX)$ . □

#### 4. PROOF OF THEOREM 1.1

We begin this section with the following lemma.

**Lemma 4.1.** *Let  $X$  be a compact regularly embedded subset of a space  $Y$ . Then there exists an upper semicontinuous compact-valued map  $r: Y \rightarrow \lambda X$  such that  $r(x) = \eta_x$  for all  $x \in X$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $e: \mathcal{T}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_Y$  be a regular operator from the topology of  $X$  to the topology of  $Y$ . Consider the map  $r: Y \rightarrow \lambda X$  defined by

$$r(y) = \begin{cases} \bigcap \{(\overline{U})^+ : y \in e(U), U \in \mathcal{T}_X\} & \text{if } y \in \bigcup \{e(U) : U \in \mathcal{T}_X\}, \\ \lambda X & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where  $\overline{U}$  denotes the closure of  $U$  in  $X$  and  $(\overline{U})^+ \subset \lambda X$  consists of all  $\eta \in \lambda X$  for which  $\overline{U} \in \eta$ . Since  $e$  is regular, it follows that the system  $\{U \in \mathcal{T}_X : y \in e(U)\}$  is linked for any  $y \in Y$ . Therefore, the system  $\{\overline{U} : y \in e(U)\}$  is linked as well, and it consists of sets closed in  $X$ . This implies  $\bigcap \{(\overline{U})^+ : y \in e(U), U \in \mathcal{T}_X\} \neq \emptyset$ . Thus, the values of  $r$  are nonempty compact sets. It is easy to see that  $r(x) = \eta_x$  for all  $x \in X$ . It can also be shown (in the same way as in the proof of Proposition 3.2) that  $r$  is upper semicontinuous. □

**Proof of Theorem 1.1.** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii). We follow the proof of Theorem 3 in [3]. Relation (1) defines a homogeneous weakly additive extender  $u_1: C(X) \rightarrow C(\lambda X)$ . Consider the space  $Z$  obtained by attaching  $\lambda X$  to  $Y$  at the points of  $X$ . The space  $\lambda X$  is a closed subset of  $Z$ , and since  $\lambda X$  is a Dugundji space (see Corollary 3.3), there exists a linear monotone extension operator  $u_2: C(\lambda X) \rightarrow C(Z)$  for which  $u_2(1) = 1$ . The map  $u: C(X) \rightarrow C(Y)$  defined by  $u(f) = u_2(u_1(f))|_Y$  for  $f \in C(X)$  is a monotone homogeneous weakly additive extender.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii). Let  $X$  be a subspace of  $Y$ , and let  $u: C(X) \rightarrow C(Y)$  be a monotone homogeneous weakly additive extender. Consider the map  $r: Y \rightarrow S(X)$  defined by  $r(y)(f) = u(f)(y)$  for  $y \in Y$  and  $f \in C(X)$ . It is easy to see that  $r$  is continuous and  $r(x) = \delta_x$  for all  $x \in X$ .

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iv). Let  $r_2: Y \rightarrow S(X)$  be a continuous map such that  $r_2(x) = \delta_x$  for all  $x \in X$ . The formula  $u(f)(\varphi) = \varphi(f)$  defines a monotone extender  $u: C(X) \rightarrow C(S(X))$ . By virtue of Theorem 4.1 from [20],  $X$  is regularly embedded in  $S(X)$ . Thus, by Lemma 4.1, there exists an upper semicontinuous compact-valued map  $r_1: S(X) \rightarrow \lambda X$  such that  $r_1(\delta_x) = \eta_x$  for  $x \in X$ . The map  $r = r_1 \circ r_2: Y \rightarrow \lambda X$  has the required property.

(iv)  $\Rightarrow$  (i). The space  $X$  is embedded in  $\mathbb{I}^A$  for some  $A$ . Let  $r: \mathbb{I}^A \rightarrow \lambda X$  be an upper semicontinuous compact-valued map such that  $r(x) = \eta_x$  for  $x \in X$ . For any open set  $U \subset X$ , we put

$$e(U) = \{y \in \mathbb{I}^A : r(y) \subset U^+\}.$$

Since  $U^+$  is open in  $\lambda X$  and  $r$  is upper semicontinuous, it follows that  $e(U)$  is open in  $\mathbb{I}^A$ . Moreover,  $e(U) \cap X = U$  and  $e(U) \cap e(V) = \emptyset$ , provided that  $U$  and  $V$  are disjoint. Thus,  $X$  is regularly embedded in  $\mathbb{I}^A$ . Finally, according to [13],  $X$  is  $\varkappa$ -metrizable.  $\square$

Now, consider the functor  $O$  of order-preserving functionals introduced by Radul in [5]. Recall that a map  $\varphi: C(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is said to be *order-preserving* if this map is monotone and weakly additive and  $\varphi(1_X) = 1$ . Theorem 4.2 stated below follows from Theorem 1.1. Indeed, since  $S$  is a subfunctor of the functor  $O$ , we have an embedding  $X \subset S(X) \subset O(X)$  for any compact set  $X$ . This proves the implications (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) and (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) in Theorem 4.2. The proofs of (iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (vi) and (vi)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) are similar.

**Theorem 4.2.** *For any compact space  $X$ , the following conditions are equivalent:*

- i)  $X$  is  $\varkappa$ -metrizable;
- ii) for any embedding of  $X$  in a compact space  $Y$ , there exists a monotone weakly additive extender  $u: C(X) \rightarrow C(Y)$  such that  $u(1_X) = 1_Y$ ;
- iii) for any embedding of  $X$  in a compact space  $Y$ , there exists a continuous map  $r: Y \rightarrow O(X)$  such that  $r(x) = \delta_x$  for all  $x \in X$ ;
- iv) for any embedding of  $X$  in a compact space  $Y$ , there exists an upper semicontinuous compact-valued map  $r: Y \rightarrow \lambda X$  such that  $r(x) = \eta_x$  for all  $x \in X$ .

Let  $F$  be a covariant functor in the category of compacta and continuous maps. A compact space  $X$  is said to be  *$F$ -injective* [4] if, for any map  $f: Y \rightarrow X$  and any embedding  $i: Y \rightarrow Z$ , there exists a map  $g: F(Z) \rightarrow F(X)$  for which  $F(f) = g \circ F(i)$ . It is easy to see that if  $F$  is a functor with the property that, for any  $X$ , there exists an embedding  $j_X: X \rightarrow F(X)$ , then  $X$  is  $F$ -injective if and only if, for any embedding of  $X$  in a compact space  $Y$ , there exists a map  $h: Y \rightarrow F(X)$  such that  $h(x) = j_X(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ . It follows from Theorem 1.1 (iii) that  $\varkappa$ -metrizable compacta are precisely  $S$ -injective compact sets.

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