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ON SOME CONDITIONS WHICH IMPLY THE CONTINUITY  
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*Summary.* Let  $I$  be an open interval,  $X$  a topological space and  $Y$  a metric space. Some local conditions implying continuity and quasicontinuity of almost all sections  $x \rightarrow f(t, x)$  of a function  $f: I \times X \rightarrow Y$  are shown.

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Let  $\mathbf{R}$  be the set of reals and let  $\mu$  (resp.  $\mu^*$ ) be the Lebesgue measure (resp. the outer Lebesgue measure) in  $\mathbf{R}$ . The upper outer density  $d_{u,e}(A, x)$  of a set  $A \subset \mathbf{R}$  at a point  $x \in \mathbf{R}$  is defined as  $\limsup_{h \rightarrow 0} \mu^*(A \cap [x - h, x + h])/2h$ . If the set  $A$  is measurable (in the Lebesgue sense) then upper outer density of  $A$  at  $x$  is called the upper density of  $A$  at  $x$  and it is denoted as  $d_u(A, x)$ . The corresponding lower limits are called lower outer density and lower density of  $A$  at  $x$  and denoted by  $d_{l,e}(A, x)$  and  $d_l(A, x)$  respectively. The family of all measurable sets  $A \subset \mathbf{R}$  such that if  $x \in A$  then  $d_l(A, x) = 1$  is a topology called the density topology  $\mathcal{T}_d$  [1, 5]. Moreover, the family  $\mathcal{T}_{ae}$  of all sets  $A \in \mathcal{T}_d$  such that  $\mu(A - \text{int } A) = 0$  is a topology [5] ( $\text{int } A$  denotes the Euclidean interior of  $A$ ). Let  $I \subset \mathbf{R}$  be an open interval, let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space, and let  $(Y, \varrho)$  be a metric space. In [2] the following condition  $(a_0)$  is introduced for a function  $f: I \times X \rightarrow Y$ :

- $(a_0)$   $f$  satisfies  $(a_0)$  if for every point  $(t, x) \in I \times X$  there is a measurable set  $A(t, x) \subset I$  such that  $d_l(A(t, x), t) = 1$  and the sections  $f_s(x) = f(s, x)$ ,  $s \in A(t, x)$ , are  $\mathcal{T}$ -equicontinuous at  $x$ , i.e. for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is a set  $U \in \mathcal{T}$  such that  $x \in U$  and  $f_s(U) \subset K(f_s(x), \varepsilon) = \{u \in Y; \varrho(f(s, x), u) < \varepsilon\}$  for every  $s \in A(t, x)$ .

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In [2] this condition is used to investigate Carathéodory's superposition  $h(t) = f(t, g(t))$  and it is proved that if  $X = Y$  is a separable Banach space and if  $f$  satisfies the condition  $(a_0)$  then almost all sections  $f_t$  are  $\mathcal{T}$ -continuous. Moreover, if  $f$  is a bounded function and all its sections  $f^x(t) = f(t, x)$  are derivatives then all sections  $f_t$  are continuous. In this article I examine some analogous conditions as  $(a_0)$ .

A function  $f: I \times X \rightarrow Y$  satisfies the condition:

- (a<sub>1</sub>) if for every point  $(t, x) \in I \times X$  there is a measurable set  $A(t, x) \subset I$  such that  $d_u(A(t, x), t) > 0$  and the sections  $f_s, s \in A(t, x)$ , are  $\mathcal{T}$ -equicontinuous at  $x$ ;
- (a<sub>2</sub>) if for every point  $(t, x)$  there is a measurable set  $A(t, x) \subset I$  such that  $d_u(A(t, x), t) > 0$  and the sections  $f_s, s \in A(t, x)$ , are  $\mathcal{T}$ -continuous at  $x$ ;
- (a<sub>3</sub>) if for every point  $(t, x)$  there is a measurable set  $A(t, x) \subset I$  such that  $d_u(A(t, x), t) > 0$  and the sections  $f_s, s \in A(t, x)$ , are  $\mathcal{T}$ -quasi-equicontinuous at  $x$ , i.e. for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  and for every  $\mathcal{T}$ -open set  $U \ni x$  there is a nonempty  $\mathcal{T}$ -open set  $V \subset U$  such that  $f_s(V) \subset K(f(s, x), \varepsilon)$  for every  $s \in A(t, x)$ ;
- (b<sub>1</sub>) if for every point  $(t, x)$  there is a set  $A(t, x) \subset I$  having the Baire property and of the second category at  $t$  such that the sections  $f_s, s \in A(t, x)$ , are  $\mathcal{T}$ -equicontinuous at  $x$ ;
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**Theorem 1.** *Suppose that  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is a topological space having a countable basis of open sets. If the function  $f: I \times X \rightarrow Y$  satisfies the condition  $(a_1)$  then there is a set  $Z \subset I$  of measure zero such that all sections  $f_t, t \in I - Z$ , are  $\mathcal{T}$ -continuous.*

**Proof.** Assume that the set  $B = \{t \in I; f_t \text{ is not continuous at some point } x(t) \in X\}$  is of positive outer measure. Then there are a set  $C \subset B$  of positive outer measure and a positive number  $s$  such that for every  $t \in C$  the oscillation  $\text{osc } f_t(x(t)) = \inf\{\sup\{\rho(f(t, u), f(t, v)); u, v \in U\}; U \in \mathcal{T}, x(t) \in U\} > s$ . Let  $U_1, \dots, U_n, \dots$  be an enumeration of all open sets of a basis of the topology  $\mathcal{T}$  and let  $C_n = \{t \in C; x(t) \in U_n\}$  and  $D_n = \{t \in C_n; d_{l,e}(C_n, t) < 1\}$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ . Evidently,  $\mu(D_n) = 0$  for every  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ . Let  $D = C - (D_1 \cup D_2 \cup \dots)$ . Then  $\mu(C - D) = 0$  and  $D \subset C$  is a set of positive outer measure. Let  $t \in D$  be a point such that  $d_{l,e}(D, t) = 1$ . Since  $f$  satisfies the condition  $(a_1)$ , there is

a measurable set  $A(t, x(t)) \subset I$  such that  $d_u(A(t, x(t)), t) > 0$  and the sections  $f_r$ ,  $r \in A(t, x(t))$ , are equicontinuous at  $x(t)$ . Consequently, there is an integer  $n$  such that  $x(t) \in U_n$  and  $\text{osc } f_r < \frac{1}{2}s$  on  $U_n$  for every  $r \in A(t, x(t))$ . Since  $t \in D = C - (D_1 \cup D_2 \cup \dots) = (C - D_1) \cap (C - D_2) \cap \dots$ , we have  $d_{i,\epsilon}(\{r \in C; x(r) \in U_n\}, t) = 1$ . Observe that the set  $E = A(t, x(t)) \cap \{r \in C; x(r) \in U_n\} \neq \emptyset$ . If  $p \in E$  then  $x(p) \in U_n$  and  $\text{osc } f_p(x_p) > s$ , in a contradiction with the fact that  $\text{osc } f_p < \frac{1}{2}s$  on  $U_n$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.** *Suppose that a topological space  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  has a countable basis of open sets. If the function  $f: I \times X \rightarrow Y$  satisfies the condition (a<sub>3</sub>) then there is a set  $Z \subset I$  of measure zero such that all sections  $f_t$ ,  $t \in I - Z$ , are  $\mathcal{T}$ -quasicontinuous, i.e. for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , for every  $x \in X$  and for every set  $U \in \mathcal{T}$  with  $x \in U$  there is a nonempty set  $V \subset U$  such that  $V \in \mathcal{T}$  and  $f_t(V) \subset K(f(t, x), \epsilon)$  [6].*

**Proof.** Let  $U_1, \dots, U_n, \dots$  be an enumeration of all open sets of a basis in  $X$ . Assume that the set  $B = \{t \in I; f_t \text{ is not } \mathcal{T}\text{-quasicontinuous at some point } x(t) \in X\}$  is of positive outer measure. Consequently, there are a positive number  $s$  and a set  $U_k$  such that the set  $C = \{t \in B; x(t) \in U_k \text{ and } \text{osc } f_t > s \text{ on } V \cup \{x(t)\} \text{ for every nonempty set } V \in \mathcal{T} \text{ such that } V \subset U\}$  is of positive outer measure. For  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , let  $C_n = \{t \in C; x(t) \in U_n\}$ ,  $D_n = \{t \in C_n; d_{i,\epsilon}(C_n, t) < 1\}$ , and  $D = C - (D_1 \cup D_2 \cup \dots)$ . Evidently,  $D \subset C$  is of positive outer measure. Let  $t \in D$  be such that  $d_{i,\epsilon}(D, t) = 1$ . Since  $f$  satisfies the condition (a<sub>3</sub>) there are a measurable set  $A(t, x(t))$  and a set  $U_n \subset U_k$  such that  $d_i(A(t, x(t)), t) = 1$  and  $\text{osc } f_r < \frac{1}{2}s$  on  $U_n \cup \{x(t)\}$  for every  $r \in A(t, x(t))$ . Observe that  $d_{i,\epsilon}(C_n, t) = 1$ . So,  $A(t, x(t)) \cap C_n \neq \emptyset$ . If  $p \in A(t, x(t)) \cap C_n$  then  $x(p) \in U_n \subset U_k$  and  $\text{osc } f_p < \frac{1}{2}s$  on  $U_n$ , in a contradiction with the fact that  $\text{osc } f_p > s$  on  $V \cup \{x(p)\}$  for every nonempty set  $V \in \mathcal{T}$  such that  $V \subset U_k$ . This contradiction completes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.** *Suppose that  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is a topological space having a countable basis of open sets. If  $f: I \times X \rightarrow Y$  satisfies the condition (b<sub>1</sub>) then there is a set  $Z \subset I$  of the first category such that all sections  $f_t$ ,  $t \in I - Z$ , are  $\mathcal{T}$ -continuous.*

**Proof.** Assume that the set  $B = \{t \in I; f_t \text{ is not continuous at some point } x(t) \in X\}$  is of the second category. Then there are a set  $C \subset B$  of the second category and a positive number  $s$  such that  $\text{osc } f_t(x(t)) > s$  for each  $t \in C$ . Let  $U_1, \dots, U_n, \dots$  be an enumeration of all open sets of a basis in  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  and let  $C_n = \{t \in C; x(t) \in U_n\}$ , and  $D_n = \{t \in C_n; C_n \text{ is of the first category at } t\}$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ . Every set  $D_n$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , is of the first category. Put  $D = C - (D_1 \cup D_2 \cup \dots)$ . Let  $t \in D$  be a point. There is an open interval  $J \subset I$  such that  $t \in J$  and every set  $K \subset J - D$  having the Baire property is of the first

category. Since  $f$  satisfies the condition  $(b_1)$ , there is a set  $A(t, x(t)) \subset J$  having the Baire property and of the second category at  $t$  and such that all sections  $f_r$ ,  $r \in A(t, x(t))$ , are  $\mathcal{T}$ -equicontinuous at  $x(t)$ . Consequently, there is an integer  $n$  such that  $x(t) \in U_n$  and for every  $r \in A(t, x(t))$  we have  $\text{osc } f_r < \frac{1}{2}s$  on  $U_n$ . Since  $t \in D = C - (D_1 \cup D_2 \cup \dots)$ , there is an open interval  $L \subset J$  such that  $t \in L$  and every set  $K \subset L - \{r \in C; x(r) \in U_n\}$  with the Baire property is of the first category. So the set  $E = A(t, x(t)) \cap \{r \in C \cap L; x(r) \in U_n\}$  is nonempty. If  $p \in E$  then  $x(p) \in U_n$  and  $\text{osc } f_p(x(p)) > s$ , in a contradiction with the fact  $\text{osc } f_p < \frac{1}{2}s$  on  $U_n$ . This contradiction finishes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.** *Suppose that in a topological space  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  there is a countable basis of open sets. If a function  $f: I \times X \rightarrow Y$  satisfies the condition  $(b_3)$  then there is a set  $Z \subset I$  of the first category such that all sections  $f_t$ ,  $t \in I - Z$ , are  $\mathcal{T}$ -quasicontinuous.*

**Proof.** Assume that the set  $B = \{t \in I; f_t \text{ is not } \mathcal{T}\text{-quasicontinuous at some point } x(t)\}$  is of the second category. Then there are a positive number  $s$  and a nonempty set  $U \in \mathcal{T}$  such that the set  $C = \{t \in B; x(t) \in U \text{ and } \text{osc } f_t > s \text{ on } V \cup \{x(t)\} \text{ for every nonempty set } V \subset U \text{ such that } V \in \mathcal{T}\}$  is of the second category. Let  $U_1, \dots, U_n, \dots$  be an enumeration of all open sets of a basis of the space  $(X, \mathcal{T})$ . For  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , put  $C_n = \{t \in C; x(t) \in U_n\}$ ,  $D_n = \{t \in C_n; C_n \text{ is of the first category at } t\}$ , and  $D = C - (D_1 \cup D_2 \cup \dots)$ . Since every set  $D_n$  is of the first category, the set  $D \subset C$  is of the second category. Let  $t \in D$  be a point. There is an open interval  $J \subset I$  such that  $t \in J$  and every set  $K \subset J - D$  having the Baire property is of the first category. Since  $f$  satisfies the condition  $(b_3)$ , there are a set  $A(t, x(t)) \subset J$  having the Baire property and of the second category at  $t$  and a set  $U_n \subset U$  such that  $\text{osc } f_r < \frac{1}{2}s$  on  $U_n \cup \{x(t)\}$  for every  $r \in A(t, x(t))$ . Since  $t \in D$ , there is an open interval  $L \subset J$  such that  $t \in L$  and every set  $K \subset L - \{r \in C; x(r) \in U_n\}$  with the Baire property is of the first category. Thus, the set  $E = A(t, x(t)) \cap \{r \in C \cap L; x(r) \in U_n\}$  is nonempty. If  $p \in E$  then  $x(p) \in U_n$  and  $\text{osc } f_p < \frac{1}{2}s$  on  $U_n$ , in a contradiction with the fact that  $\text{osc } f_p > s$  on  $V \cup \{x(p)\}$  for every nonempty set  $V \subset U$  such that  $V \in \mathcal{T}$ . This contradiction completes the proof.  $\square$

**Remark 1.** The Continuum Hypothesis  $CH$  implies that there is a function  $f: \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  satisfying the conditions  $(a_2)$ ,  $(b_2)$  (with respect to the Euclidean metric in  $\mathbf{R} = X = Y$ ) and such that all its sections  $f_t$  are not quasicontinuous. Really, there is a nonmeasurable set  $D \subset \mathbf{R}^2$  which has not the Baire property and which is such that all its sections  $D_t = \{x \in \mathbf{R}; (t, x) \in D\}$  are singletons or contain two points. The construction of such set  $D$  is analogous to the construction of Sierpinski's set

in [7]. Then the function  $f(t, x) = 1$  for  $(t, x) \in D$  and  $f(t, x) = 0$  otherwise satisfies the conditions  $(a_2)$ ,  $(b_2)$ , but all its sections  $f_t$  are not quasicontinuous.

**Remark 2.** Observe that all sections  $f_t$  of the function  $f$  from Remark 1 are almost everywhere (with respect to the Lebesgue measure) continuous. CH implies that there exists a function  $g: \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow R$  satisfying the conditions  $(a_2)$ ,  $(b_2)$  such that all its sections  $g_t$  are not quasicontinuous at all points of sets of positive measure. Really, let  $a_1, \dots, a_\alpha, \dots, \alpha < \Omega$ , be a transfinite sequence of all reals such that  $a_\alpha \neq a_\beta$  for  $\alpha \neq \beta$  ( $\alpha, \beta < \Omega$  and  $\Omega$  denotes the first uncountable ordinal number). For every  $\alpha < \Omega$  there is a nowhere dense closed set  $A_\alpha$  of positive measure such that  $a_\beta$  is not in  $A_\alpha$  for  $\beta < \alpha$ . Let  $g(t, x) = 1$  for  $t = a_\alpha$  and  $x \in A_\alpha$ ,  $\alpha < \Omega$ , and  $g(t, x) = 0$  otherwise. Then  $g$  satisfies the conditions  $(a_2)$ ,  $(b_2)$  and any section  $g_t$  is not quasicontinuous at a point  $x \in A_\alpha$ , where  $\alpha$  is such that  $t = a_\alpha$ .

**Remark 3.** Suppose that  $X = Y = \mathbf{R}$  and consider  $X$  with the topology  $\mathcal{T}_{ae}$  and  $Y$  with the Euclidean metric. There is a function  $f: \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow R$  satisfying the conditions  $(a_1)$ ,  $(b_1)$  (with respect to the topology  $\mathcal{T}_{ae}$  in  $X$ ) and such that any section  $f_t$ ,  $t \in \mathbf{R}$ , is not  $\mathcal{T}_d$ -continuous. Really, let  $C \subset \mathbf{R}$  be a Cantor set of measure zero and let  $g: \mathbf{R} \rightarrow C$  be an one-to-one function. Put  $f(t, x) = 1$  if  $t \in \mathbf{R}$  and  $x = g(t)$  and  $f(t, x) = 0$  otherwise. Since  $f/(\mathbf{R}^2 - (\mathbf{R} \times C)) = 0$ , for every  $(t, x) \in \mathbf{R}^2$  we can take the set  $\mathbf{R} - \{t\}$  as  $A(t, x)$ . So,  $f$  satisfies the conditions  $(a_1)$ ,  $(b_1)$ , but any section  $f_t$ ,  $t \in \mathbf{R}$ , is not  $\mathcal{T}_d$ -continuous at the point  $g(t)$ .

In connection with Remarks 1, 2, 3 we will prove the following:

**Theorem 5.** *Let  $J \subset \mathbf{R}$  be an open interval and let  $\mathcal{T}$  be a topology in  $J$  such that every set  $Z \in \mathcal{T}$  is measurable and if  $x \in Z$  then  $d_u(Z, x) > 0$ . Then for every function  $f: I \times J \rightarrow Y$  satisfying the condition  $(a_1)$  there is a set  $U \subset I$  of measure zero such that for every  $t \in I - U$  the section  $f_t$  is almost everywhere (with respect to the Lebesgue measure)  $\mathcal{T}$ -continuous.*

**Proof.** We may assume that  $I$  and  $J$  are of finite measure. Assume that Theorem 5 does not hold. Then there are a set  $B \subset I$  of positive outer measure and a positive number  $s$  such that for every  $t \in B$  the set  $C(t) = \{x \in J; \text{osc } f_t(x) > s\}$  is of positive outer measure. Observe that the set  $D = \bigcup_{t \in B} (\{t\} \times C(t))$  is of positive outer measure in  $I \times J$ . Let  $\Phi_1$  be the family of all sets  $K \times L$  such that  $K \subset I$  is a measurable set of positive measure and  $L \in \mathcal{T}$  is a nonempty set such that  $\text{osc } f_t < \frac{1}{2}s$  on  $L$  for every  $t \in K$ . Since  $f$  satisfies the condition  $(a_1)$ , the family  $\Phi_1$  is nonempty. Let  $s_1 = \sup\{\mu_2(K \times L); K \times L \in \Phi_1\}$ , where  $\mu_2$  denotes the Lebesgue measure in  $\mathbf{R}^2$ . Evidently,  $0 < s_1 \leq \mu_2(I \times J)$ . Let  $K_1 \times L_1 \in \Phi_1$  be such that  $\mu_2(K_1 \times L_1) > \frac{1}{2}s_1$ . If  $\mu_2((I \times J) - (K_1 \times L_1)) > 0$  then we denote by

$\Phi_2$  the family of all sets  $(K \times L) \in \Phi_1$  such that  $\mu_2((K \times L) - (K_1 \times L_1)) > 0$ . The family  $\Phi_2$  is nonempty. Really, for this let  $E \subset (I \times J) - (I_1 \times J_1)$  be an  $F_\sigma$  set such that  $\mu_2((I \times J) - (K_1 \times L_1) - E) = 0$  and for every  $(t, x) \in E$  we have  $d_1(E_t, x) = 1$ ,  $d_1(E^x, t) = 1$  ( $E^x = \{r \in I; (r, x) \in E\}$ ) [3]. Let  $(t, x) \in E$  be a point. Since  $f$  satisfies the condition  $(a_1)$ , there is a measurable set  $A(t, x) \subset I$  and a nonempty set  $J(t, x) \in \mathcal{T}$  such that  $x \in J(t, x)$ ,  $\text{osc } f_r < \frac{1}{2}s$  on  $J(t, x)$  for every  $r \in A(t, x)$  and  $d_u(A(t, x), t) > 0$ . Observe that  $\mu(J(t, x) \cap E_r) > 0$  for every  $r \in A(t, x) \cap E^x$ . So,  $A(t, x) \times J(t, x) \in \Phi_2$  and the family  $\Phi_2$  is nonempty. Let  $s_2 = \sup\{\mu_2((K \times L) - (K_1 \times L_1)); (K \times L) \in \Phi_2\}$ . Obviously,  $0 < s_2$ . Let  $K_2 \times L_2 \in \Phi_2$  be such that  $\mu_2((K_2 \times L_2) - (K_1 \times L_1)) > \frac{1}{2}s_2$ . In general, for  $n > 2$ , if  $\mu_2((I \times J) - ((K_1 \times L_1) \cup \dots \cup (K_{n-1} \times L_{n-1}))) > 0$  we find a set  $K_n \times L_n \in \Phi_1$  such that

$$(i) \quad \mu_2\left((K_n \times L_n) - \bigcup_{i < n} (K_i \times L_i)\right) > \frac{1}{2}s_n,$$

where  $s_n = \sup\{\mu_2((K \times L) - \bigcup_{i < n} (K_i \times L_i)); K \times L \in \Phi_1\}$ . Since  $\mu_2(I \times J) < \infty$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = 0$ . From this and from (i) it follows that  $\mu_2((I \times J) - \bigcup_n (K_n \times L_n)) = 0$ . Since  $D$  is of positive outer measure, there are an integer  $n$  and a point  $(t, x) \in D \cap (K_n \times L_n)$ . Consequently,  $\text{osc } f_t < \frac{1}{2}s$  on  $L_n$ , in a contradiction with the fact that  $x \in C(t)$  and  $\text{osc } f_t(x) > s$ . This contradiction finishes the proof.  $\square$

Evidently, the Euclidean topology  $\mathcal{T}_e$  in  $\mathbf{R}$  and the topology  $\mathcal{T}_d$  and the topology  $\mathcal{T}_{ae}$  satisfy the hypothesis of Theorem 5.

**Problem 1.** Let  $(J, \mathcal{T})$  be the same as in Theorem 5 and let  $f: I \times J \rightarrow Y$  satisfies the condition  $(b_1)$ . If a set  $U \subset I$  of the first category and such that for every  $t \in I - U$  the section  $f_t$  is almost everywhere  $\mathcal{T}$ -continuous?

**Theorem 6.** If  $X = Y = \mathbf{R}$  and  $\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{T}_d$  [ $\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{T}_{ae}$ ] and a function  $f: I \times \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  satisfies the condition  $(a_3)$  [ $(b_3)$ ] and all its sections  $f^x(t) = f(t, x)$  are measurable [have the Baire property] then  $f$  is measurable [has the Baire property] as the function of two variables.

**Proof.** For the proof of this theorem see the proofs of Theorems 2 and 4 from [4].  $\square$

**Remark 5.** In [2] it is proven that if  $Y$  is a separable Banach space and a bounded function  $f: I \times Y \rightarrow Y$  satisfies the condition  $(a_0)$  and all its sections  $f^x$  are derivatives then all sections  $f_t$  are continuous. ( $f^x$  is a derivative if for every  $t \in I$ ,  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (1/h) \int_t^{t+h} f(s) ds = f(t, x)$ ). Obviously, it is also true for locally bounded

*f.* We shall show that there is a function  $f: \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  satisfying the condition  $(a_0)$  and such that all its sections  $f^x$  are derivatives and the section  $x \mapsto f(0, x)$  is not continuous. For this, let  $a_n = 1/n$ ,  $b_n = a_n - 4^{-n}$ ,  $c_n = a_n + 4^{-n}$ ,  $d_n = 1/n - 1/(n+1)$  and let  $g_n$  ( $n = 1, 2, \dots$ ) be defined as follows:  $g_n(t) = d_k 4^k$  for  $t = a_k$ ,  $k > n$ ,  $g_n(t) = 0$  for  $t \geq c_n$  or  $t \in [c_{k+1}, b_k]$ ,  $k \geq n$ ,  $g_n(0) = 1$ ,  $g_n$  is linear in the intervals  $[b_k, a_k]$  and  $[a_k, c_k]$ , and  $g_n(t) = g_n(-t)$  for  $t < 0$ . Then the function  $f(t, x) = g_n(x)g_n(t) \min(|x - b_n|, |x - c_n|)$  for  $x \in [b_n, c_n]$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , and  $f(t, x) = 0$  otherwise, satisfies required conditions.

In connection with Remark 5 we have also:

**Remark 6.** Let  $X = Y = \mathbf{R}$  and  $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{F}_e$ . There is a bounded function  $f: \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  satisfying the condition  $(a_1)$ , having derivatives as its sections  $f^x$ ,  $x \in \mathbf{R}$ , and such that its section  $x \mapsto f(0, x)$  is discontinuous. For this, let  $a_n = 1/n$ ,  $b_n = \frac{1}{2}(a_{n+1} + a_n)$ ,  $c_n = b_n + 10^{-n}$ ,  $d_n = a_n - 10^{-n}$  and let  $g_n$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , be defined as follows:  $g_n(t) = 1$  for  $t \in [a_{k+1}, b_k]$ ,  $k \geq n$ ,  $g_n(t) = 0$  for  $t \in [c_k, d_k]$ ,  $k \geq n$ , or  $t \geq a_1$ ,  $g_n$  is linear in the intervals  $[b_k, c_k]$  and  $[d_k, a_k]$ ,  $k \geq n$ ,  $g_n(0) = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $g_n(t) = g_n(-t)$  for  $t < 0$ . Then the function  $f(t, x) = g_n(t)g_n(x) \min(|x + 4^{-n} - a_n|, |a_n + 4^{-n} - x|)$  for  $x \in [a_n - 4^{-n}, a_n + 4^{-n}]$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , and  $f(t, x) = 0$  otherwise, satisfies all required conditions.

**Theorem 7.** Let  $J \subset \mathbf{R}$  be an open interval,  $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{F}_e$  and let  $(Y, \varrho)$  be a metric space. If a function  $f: I \times J \rightarrow Y$  satisfies the condition  $(a_1)$  and all its sections  $f^x$  are  $\mathcal{F}_d$ -continuous then all sections  $f_t$ ,  $t \in \mathbf{R}$ , are  $\mathcal{F}_e$ -continuous.

**Proof.** If Theorem 7 does not hold then there are  $t \in I$ ,  $x \in J$  and  $s > 0$  such that  $\text{osc } f_t(x) > 5s$ . Consequently, there is a sequence of points  $x_n \in J$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$  and  $\varrho(f(t, x_n), f(t, x)) > 2s$  for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ . Since  $f$  satisfies the condition  $(a_1)$  there are a measurable set  $A(t, x) \subset I$  and an open set  $K \subset J$  such that  $d_u(A(t, x), t) > 0$ ,  $x \in K$  and  $\text{osc } f_t < \frac{1}{2}s$  on  $K$  for each  $t \in A(t, x)$ . Let  $x_n \in K$ . Since the sections  $t \mapsto f(t, x_n)$  and  $t \mapsto f(t, x)$  are  $\mathcal{F}_d$ -continuous, there is a measurable set  $B \subset I$  such that  $d_l(B, t) = 1$ ,  $\varrho(f(r, x_n), f(t, x_n)) < \frac{1}{2}s$ , and  $\varrho(f(r, x), f(t, x)) < \frac{1}{2}s$  for each  $r \in B$ . Evidently,  $B \cap A(t, x) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $p \in B \cap A(t, x)$ . Then  $2s < \varrho(f(t, x_n), f(t, x)) \leq \varrho(f(t, x_n), f(p, x_n)) + \varrho(f(p, x_n), f(p, x)) + \varrho(f(p, x), f(t, x)) < \frac{1}{2}s + \frac{1}{2}s + \frac{1}{2}s = \frac{3}{2}s$ . This contradiction completes the proof.  $\square$



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