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On extension of Baire mappings and Lebesgue α -triples

A. Lebesgue [3] proved that each separately continuous function $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is of the first Baire class. In honour of this theorem we call a collection (X, Y, Z) of topological spaces a *Lebesgue α -triple*, or, briefly, *α -triple*, if any mapping $f : X \times Y \rightarrow Z$ which is continuous with respect to the first variable and of the α 'th Baire class with respect to the second one belongs to the $(\alpha + 1)$ 'th Baire class, where $0 \leq \alpha < \omega_1$.

Remark that α -triples were studied by a couple of mathematicians (see [2] and the references given there). Among others we indicate the result of W. Rudin [5] who showed that (X, Y, Z) is an α -triple for every $\alpha \geq 0$ if X is a metrizable space, Y is a topological space and Z is a locally convex space. It is well-known that a union of several metrizable spaces is not necessary metrizable. That's why it is naturally to ask: is (X, Y, Z) an α -triple if $X = \bigcup_{n=1}^N X_n$, where $2 \leq N \leq +\infty$ and (X_n, Y, Z) is an α -triple for each n ?

Theorem 1. *Let $1 \leq \alpha < \omega_0$, X be a completely regular space, $E \subseteq X$ be a set of the functionally multiplicative class α and let Y be a Polish arcwise connected and locally arcwise connected space. If one of the following conditions hold*

- (1) X is perfectly normal,
- (2) E is Lindelöf,
- (3) X is normal and E is F_σ ,

then (X, E, Y) has the B_α -extension property.

Applying Theorem 1 we may prove the following classification theorem.

Theorem 2. *Let $1 \leq \alpha < \omega_0$, $\alpha \leq \beta < \omega_1$, $X = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} X_n$ a completely regular space, Y a topological space and let Z be a Polish contractible locally connected space such that for each n the following conditions hold:*

- (1) (X_n, Y, Z) is a β -triple;
- (2) X_n is a set of the multiplicative class α in X_{n+1} ;
- (3) $X_n \times Y$ is Lindelöf or $X \times Y$ is perfectly normal.

Then (X, Y, Z) is β -triple.

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