

Multifunctions of Souslin type: Corrigendum

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In [1], Theorem 6, a sufficient condition is given for a multifunction to be "of Souslin type". However, the proof contains an error; we are required to prove that the multifunction $\Omega : S \rightarrow P \times N^N$ defined by

$$G(\Omega) = \bigcup_{\sigma} \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} [A_{\sigma|n} \times (B_{\sigma|n}^* \times C_{\sigma|n})]$$

has values which are closed subsets of $P \times N^N$ (the notation is explained in [1]). The "proof" of this fact given in [1] is manifestly incorrect as it appears to assume that N^N has the discrete topology. Instead we use the fact that, for a fixed sequence σ of positive integers, the sets $\{C_{\sigma|n} : n = 1, 2, \dots\}$ form a base of neighbourhoods of σ .

Suppose then that $(x, \tau) \notin \Omega(t)$. Then

$$(t, x, \tau) \notin \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} (A_{\tau|n} \times B_{\tau|n}^* \times C_{\tau|n}) = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} (A_{\tau|n} \times B_{\tau|n}^*) \times \{\tau\},$$

and so there is an integer n such that (t, x) does not belong to $A_{\tau|n} \times B_{\tau|n}^*$. There are two cases to consider. Firstly, if t does not belong to $A_{\tau|n}$, the reader may verify that the neighbourhood $P \times C_{\tau|n}$ of (x, τ) does not meet $\Omega(t)$. If t does belong to $A_{\tau|n}$, there is a neighbourhood $U \times C_{\tau|n}$ of (x, τ) which does not meet $\Omega(t)$. Therefore the set $\Omega(t)$ is closed.

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