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# Mirosław Ślosarski Multi-invertible maps and their applications

**Abstract.** In this article, we define multi-invertible, multivalued maps. These mappings are a natural generalization of r-maps (in particular, the singlevalued invertible maps). They have many interesting properties and applications. In this article, the multi-invertible maps are applied to the construction of morphisms and to the theory of coincidence.

## 1. Introduction

In mathematical literature multivalued admissible maps are known (see [4]). In [8] we defined multivalued locally admissible maps that are an essentially wider class of maps than admissible maps. In this article we define multivalued, multi-invertible maps in the context of locally admissible maps. These maps are a natural, essential generalization of r-maps (see [1]) in particular, the singlevalued invertible maps. The generalized Vietoris maps considered in the article (see [9]) are particularly multi-invertible. Multi-invertible maps have a lot of interesting properties. The composition of multi-invertible maps is multi-invertible. If a map is multi-invertible then there exists exactly one multi-inverse map. Multi-invertible maps have many applications. In this article they are applied to the construction of morphisms and to the theory of coincidence. The property of coincidence of multi-invertible maps can be applied to solving differential inclusions (see [3]). It is worth mentioning that multi-invertible maps can be also applied to the theory of multi-domination (see [9, 10]).

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## 2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper all spaces are assumed to be Hausdorff topological spaces. A continuous mapping  $f\colon X\to Y$  is called *perfect* if for each  $y\in Y$  the set  $f^{-1}(y)$  is non-empty and compact and f is a closed map. Let X and Y be two spaces and assume that for every  $x\in X$  a non-empty subset  $\varphi(x)$  of Y is given. In such a case we say that  $\varphi\colon X\multimap Y$  is a *multivalued mapping*. For a multivalued mapping  $\varphi\colon X\multimap Y$  and a subset  $A\subset Y$  we let

$$\varphi_s^{-1}(A) = \{ x \in X : \ \varphi(x) \subset A \},$$
  
$$\varphi_b^{-1}(A) = \{ x \in X : \ \varphi(x) \cap A \neq \emptyset \}.$$

Let  $H_*$  be the  $\check{C}ech$  homology functor with compact carriers and coefficients in the field of rational numbers  $\mathbb Q$  from the category of Hausdorff topological spaces and continuous maps to the category of a graded vector space and linear maps of degree zero. Thus  $H_*(X) = \{H_q(X)\}$  is a graded vector space,  $H_q(X)$  being a q-dimensional  $\check{C}ech$  homology group with compact carriers of X. For a continuous map  $f: X \to Y$ ,  $H_*(f)$  is the induced linear map  $f_* = \{f_q\}$ , where  $f_q: H_q(X) \to H_q(Y)$  (see [4]).

A set X is acyclic if

- (i) X is non-empty,
- (ii)  $H_q(X) = 0$  for every  $q \ge 1$  and
- (iii)  $H_0(X) \approx \mathbb{Q}$ .

A perfect map  $p \colon X \to Y$  is called *Vietoris* provided for every  $y \in Y$  the set  $p^{-1}(y)$  is acyclic. We recall that the composition of two Vietoris mappings is a Vietoris mapping and if  $p \colon X \to Y$  is a Vietoris map then  $p_* \colon H_*(X) \to H_*(Y)$  is an isomorphism (see [4]). The symbol D(X,Y) will denote the set of all diagrams of the form

$$X \xleftarrow{p} Z \xrightarrow{q} Y,$$

where  $p: Z \to X$  denotes a Vietoris map and  $q: Z \to Y$  denotes a continuous map. Each such diagram will be denoted by (p,q).

Definition 2.1 (see [4])

Let  $(p_1, q_1) \in D(X, Y)$  and  $(p_2, q_2) \in D(Y, T)$ . The composition of diagrams

$$X \xleftarrow{p_1} Z_1 \xrightarrow{q_1} Y \xleftarrow{p_2} Z_2 \xrightarrow{q_2} T_2$$

is called a diagram  $(p,q) \in D(X,T)$ ,

$$X \xleftarrow{p} Z_1 \triangle_{q_1p_2} Z_2 \xrightarrow{q} T,$$

where

$$Z_1 \triangle_{q_1 p_2} Z_2 = \{ (z_1, z_2) \in Z_1 \times Z_2 : q_1(z_1) = p_2(z_2) \},$$

$$p = p_1 \circ \pi_1, \quad q = q_2 \circ \pi_2,$$

$$Z_1 \xleftarrow{\pi_1} Z_1 \triangle_{q_1 p_2} Z_2 \xrightarrow{\pi_2} Z_2,$$

 $\pi_1(z_1, z_2) = z_1$  (Vietoris map),  $\pi_2(z_1, z_2) = z_2$  for each  $(z_1, z_2) \in Z$ .

It shall be written

$$(p,q) = (p_2,q_2) \circ (p_1,q_1).$$

Let  $\varphi \colon X \multimap Y$  be a multivalued map. We recall that the map  $\varphi$  is admissible (resp. s-admissible) (see [4]) if there exist a Vietoris map  $p \colon Z \to X$  and a continuous map  $q \colon Z \to Y$  such that for each  $x \in X$ ,

$$q(p^{-1}(x)) \subset \varphi(x)$$
 (resp.  $q(p^{-1}(x)) = \varphi(x)$ ),

to simplify the notation we will write  $(p,q) \subset \varphi$  (resp.  $(p,q) = \varphi$ )).

Let  $\varphi \colon X \multimap Y$  be a map and let  $A \subset X$  be a non-empty set. We denote by  $\varphi_A \colon A \multimap X$  a map given by the formula  $\varphi_A(x) = \varphi(x)$  for each  $x \in A$ .

## Definition 2.2

A multivalued map  $\varphi \colon X \multimap Y$  is called *locally admissible* provided for any compact and non-empty set  $K \subset X$  there exists an open set  $V \subset X$  such that  $K \subset V$  and  $\varphi_V \colon V \multimap X$  is admissible.

Proposition 2.3 ([8])

Let  $\varphi \colon X \multimap Y$  and  $\psi \colon Y \multimap Z$  be locally admissible maps. Then  $\psi \circ \varphi \colon X \multimap Z$  is locally admissible.

It is obvious that if a space X is compact then  $\varphi \colon X \multimap Y$  is locally admissible if and only if  $\varphi \colon X \multimap Y$  is admissible.

## Definition 2.4

A topological vector space is called *Klee admissible* provided for every compact  $K \subset E$  and for every open neighborhood of zero V in E there exists a continuous map  $\pi_V \colon K \to E$  such that

- (2.4.1)  $(x \pi_V(x)) \in V$  for every  $x \in K$ ,
- (2.4.2) there exists a natural number  $n = n_K$  such that  $\pi_V(K) \subset E^n$ , where  $E^n$  is an *n*-dimensional subspace of E.

It is well known that any locally convex space is Klee admissible. We will write that a space  $X \in A_C$   $(X \in NA_C)$  if there exists a Klee admissible space E and a closed embedding  $h: X \to E$  such that h(X) is a retract of E (h(X) is a retract of some open set  $U \subset E$  such that  $h(X) \subset U$ .

Proposition 2.5 ([4, 6])

Let  $X \in NA_C$  and let  $U \subset X$  be an open set. Then  $U \in NA_C$ .

Theorem 2.6 ([4, 6])

Let  $X \in NA_C$ . Consider a diagram

$$X \xleftarrow{p} Z \xrightarrow{q} X,$$

where p is Vietoris and q is compact  $(\overline{q(Z)} \subset X \text{ is compact})$ . Then  $q_* \circ p_*^{-1}$  is a Leray endomorphism and  $\Lambda(q_* \circ p_*^{-1}) \neq 0$  implies that p and q have a coincidence point, that is, there is a point  $z \in Z$  such that p(z) = q(z).

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## 3. Multi-invertible maps

#### Definition 3.1

We say that a multivalued map  $\varphi \colon X \multimap Y$  is *multi-invertible* if there exists a multivalued map  $\overleftarrow{\varphi} \colon Y \multimap X$  (multi-inverse map) such that the following conditions are satisfied

- (3.1.1) for each  $x \in X$  and for each  $y \in Y$   $(y \in \varphi(x) \Rightarrow x \in \overline{\varphi}(y))$ ,
- (3.1.2) for each  $x \in X$  and for each  $y \in Y$   $(x \in \overleftarrow{\varphi}(y) \Rightarrow y \in \varphi(x))$ .

We observe that if  $\varphi \colon X \multimap Y$  is multi-invertible then there exists exactly one multi-inverse map  $\varphi \colon Y \multimap X$  given by the formula

$$\overleftarrow{\varphi}(y) = \varphi_b^{-1}(y) = \{x \in X : \ y \in \varphi(x)\}.$$

It is clear that a multivalued map  $\varphi\colon X\multimap Y$  is multi-invertible if and only if  $\varphi(X)=Y$  and if a singlevalued map  $f\colon X\to Y$  is invertible then  $f=f^{-1}$ . Let  $\varphi\colon X\multimap Y$  be a multivalued map. If  $\varphi$  has compact images and for every open  $U\subset Y$  the set  $\varphi_s^{-1}(U)$  ( $\varphi_b^{-1}(Y\backslash U)$ ) is open (is closed), then  $\varphi$  is called an *upper semi-continuous mapping*; we shall write that  $\varphi$  is u.s.c. We will say that an u.s.c. multivalued map  $\varphi\colon X\multimap Y$  is *perfect*, if for each non-empty and compact set  $A\subset Y$  the set  $\varphi_b^{-1}(A)$  is non-empty and compact and  $\varphi$  is a closed map.

## Proposition 3.2

A map  $\varphi \colon X \multimap Y$  is perfect if and only if  $\varphi$  is multi-invertible and  $\overleftarrow{\varphi}$  is a perfect map.

*Proof.* It is obvious that

$$\varphi(A) = \overleftarrow{\varphi}_b^{-1}(A)$$
 for each non-empty set  $A \subset X$ 

and

$$\overleftarrow{\varphi}(B) = \varphi_b^{-1}(B)$$
 for each non-empty set  $B \subset Y$ .

From Proposition 3.2 we get

#### Proposition 3.3

Let X and Y be compact spaces and let  $\varphi \colon X \multimap Y$  such that  $\varphi(X) = Y$ . A multivalued map  $\varphi \colon X \multimap Y$  is u.s.c. if and only if  $\varphi \colon Y \multimap X$  is u.s.c..

We will give a few examples. Let  $\mathbb{K}^n$  be a closed ball in euclidean space  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with the center of 0 and radius 1 and let  $\mathbb{S}^n \subset \mathbb{K}^{n+1}$  be a sphere. We denote by  $\odot$  a scalar product in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and let I = [0, 1].

## Example 3.4

Let  $\varphi \colon \mathbb{S}^n \to \mathbb{S}^n$  be a multivalued map given by the formula

$$\varphi(x) = \{ y \in \mathbb{S}^n : x \odot y = 0 \}$$
 for each  $x \in \mathbb{S}^n$ .

We observe that  $\varphi$  is multi-invertible and  $\overline{\varphi} = \varphi$ . For n = 2k,  $\varphi$  is not admissible. Indeed, assume the contrary, i.e. that  $\varphi$  is admissible. Then there exist a Vietoris

map  $p: Z \to \mathbb{S}^n$  and a continuous map  $q: Z \to \mathbb{S}^n$  such that  $(p,q) \subset \varphi$ . Hence, for each  $z \in Z$ ,

$$p(z) \odot q(z) = 0$$
, so p and q are homotopic.

We have

$$\Lambda(q_* \circ p_*^{-1}) = \Lambda(p_* \circ p_*^{-1}) = \Lambda(Id_{H_*(\mathbb{S}^n)}) = 2.$$

From Theorem 2.6 there exists a point  $z \in Z$  such that p(z) = q(z), but it is a contradiction. From the mathematical literature we know that for n = 2k-1 there exists a continuous map  $f : \mathbb{S}^n \to \mathbb{S}^n$  such that, for each  $x \in \mathbb{S}^n$ ,  $x \odot f(x) = 0$ . Hence,  $\varphi$  is admissible, because  $(Id_{\mathbb{S}^n}, f) \subset \varphi$ .

## Example 3.5

Let  $\varphi \colon \mathbb{S}^n \to \mathbb{K}^{n+1}$  be a multivalued map given by the formula

$$\varphi(x) = \{t \cdot x : \ t \in I\}.$$

The map  $\varphi$  is u.s.c. and for each  $x \in \mathbb{S}^n$  the set  $\varphi(x)$  is compact and convex, so  $\varphi$  is s-admissible (in particular, admissible). A multivalued map  $\psi \colon \mathbb{K}^{n+1} \multimap \mathbb{S}^n$  given by the formula

$$\psi(x) = \begin{cases} x/\|x\| & \text{for } x \neq 0, \\ \mathbb{S}^n & \text{for } x = 0 \end{cases}$$

is multi-inverse to  $\varphi$ . We observe that  $\psi$  it is not an admissible map. Indeed, assume the contrary, i.e. that  $\varphi$  is admissible. Then there exist a Vietoris map  $p\colon Z\to \mathbb{K}^{n+1}$  and a continuous map  $q\colon Z\to \mathbb{S}^n$  such that  $(p,q)\subset \psi$ . Let  $j\colon \mathbb{S}^n\to \mathbb{K}^{n+1}$  be an inclusion. We have the following diagram

$$H_*(\mathbb{S}^n) \xrightarrow{\ j_* \ } H_*(\mathbb{K}^{n+1}) \xleftarrow{\ p_* \ } H_*(Z) \xrightarrow{\ q_* \ } H_*(\mathbb{S}^n).$$

Hence, it result that

$$(q_* \circ p_*^{-1}) \circ j_* = Id_{H_*(\mathbb{S}^n)},$$

but it is not possible.

## Definition 3.6

A locally admissible map  $\varphi \colon X \multimap Y$  is *multi-invertible* if there exists a multi-inverse and locally admissible map  $\overleftarrow{\varphi} \colon Y \multimap X$ .

## Proposition 3.7

Let  $f\colon X\to Y$  be a continuous map. The map f is multi-invertible if and only if for each compact set  $K\subset Y$  there exist an open neighborhood U of K and a continuous map  $g\colon U\to X$  such that  $f\circ g\colon U\to Y$  is a Vietoris map.

*Proof.* Let  $f\colon X\to Y$  be a continuous and multi-invertible map. From Definition 3.6 the multi-inverse map  $f\colon Y\multimap X$  is locally admissible. Let  $K\subset Y$  be a compact set. There exists an open neighborhood  $U\subset Y$  of K such that  $f:U:U\multimap X$  is an admissible map, that is, there exists a diagram  $(p,q)\in D(U,X)$  such that  $(p,q)\subset f$ . Hence we have

$$q(p^{-1}(y)) \subset f^{-1}(y)$$
 for each  $y \in U$ ,

so  $f \circ q = p$  is a Vietoris map. The proof in the opposite direction is obvious.

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In particular, if a continuous map  $f: X \to Y$  is an r-map, that is, there exists  $g: Y \to X$  such that  $f \circ g = Id_Y$ , then it is multi-invertible.

### Proposition 3.8

Let  $\varphi \colon X \multimap Y$  be an admissible map. Assume that there exist Vietoris maps  $p_1 \colon Z \to X$  and  $p_2 \colon Z \to Y$  such that  $(p_1, p_2) \subset \varphi$ . Then  $\varphi$  is multi-invertible.

*Proof.* We observe that  $\varphi(X) = Y$  and  $((p_1, p_2) \subset \varphi) \Leftrightarrow ((p_2, p_1) \subset \varphi)$ .

We will say that  $\varphi \colon \underline{X} \multimap Y$  is relatively proper if for each non-empty and compact set  $K \subset Y$  the set  $\overline{\varphi_b^{-1}(K)}$  is non-empty and compact.

#### Proposition 3.9

Let  $\varphi \colon X \multimap Y$  be relatively proper. Assume that for each compact set  $K \subset X$  there exist an open neighborhood  $U \subset X$  of K, an open neighborhood  $V \subset Y$  of  $\varphi(K)$  and Vietoris maps  $p_1 \colon Z \to U$  and  $p_2 \colon Z \to V$  such that  $(p_1, p_2) \subset \varphi_U$ . Then  $\varphi$  is multi-invertible and  $\varphi$  is locally admissible.

*Proof.* It is easy to observe that  $\varphi$  is locally admissible. We show that the multiinverse map  $\overline{\varphi}: \underline{Y} \longrightarrow X$  is locally admissible. Let  $K \subset Y$  be a compact set. We denote by  $K_1 = \overline{\varphi_b^{-1}(K)} = \overline{\overline{\varphi}(K)}$ . From the assumption the set  $K_1$  is compact, so there exist an open neighborhood  $U \subset X$  of  $K_1$ , an open neighborhood  $V \subset Y$ of  $\varphi(K_1)$  and Vietoris maps  $p_1: Z \to U$  and  $p_2: Z \to V$  such that  $(p_1, p_2) \subset \varphi_U$ . We have

$$K \subset \varphi(\overleftarrow{\varphi}(K)) \subset \varphi(\overleftarrow{\overleftarrow{\varphi}(K)}) \subset V.$$

Hence  $(p_2, p_1) \subset \overleftarrow{\varphi}_V$  and the proof is complete.

A few obvious properties of multi-invertible mappings will follow, which do not require proof.

## Proposition 3.10

Let  $\varphi, \psi \colon X \multimap Y$ ,  $\eta \colon Y \multimap Z$  and  $\theta \colon T \multimap S$  be multi-invertible maps. Then we have

- (3.10.1) for each  $x \in X$  and  $y \in Y$   $y \in \varphi(\overleftarrow{\varphi}(y))$  and  $x \in \overleftarrow{\varphi}(\varphi(x))$ ,
- $(3.10.2) \ \overleftarrow{\eta \circ \varphi} = \overleftarrow{\varphi} \circ \overleftarrow{\eta},$
- $(3.10.3) \ \overline{(\overleftarrow{\varphi})} = \varphi,$
- (3.10.4)  $\varphi \times \theta = \varphi \times \varphi$ , where the map  $\varphi \times \theta \colon X \times T \multimap Y \times S$  given by the formula

$$(\varphi \times \theta)(x,t) = \varphi(x) \times \theta(t)$$
 for each  $(x,t) \in (X \times T)$ ,

(3.10.5) if  $\varphi(x) \cap \psi(x) \neq \emptyset$  for each  $x \in X$  and if  $\Theta: X \multimap Y$  is a map given by the formula

$$\Theta(x) = \varphi(x) \cap \psi(x)$$
 for each  $x \in X$ ,

then  $\Theta$  is multi-invertible and  $\overleftarrow{\Theta}$ :  $Y \multimap X$  is given by the formula

$$\overleftarrow{\Theta}(y) = \overleftarrow{\varphi}(y) \cap \overleftarrow{\psi}(y)$$
 for each  $y \in Y$ .

Remark 3.11 Let

$$X \xrightarrow{f_1} T$$

$$\downarrow \Delta_f \qquad \downarrow Id_T$$

$$Y \xrightarrow{f_2} T$$

be a commutative diagram, where  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are continuous maps such that  $f_1(X) = f_2(Y)$  and  $\Delta_f \colon X \multimap Y$  is a multivalued map given by the formula

$$\Delta_f(x) = f_2^{-1}(f_1(x)) \qquad \text{for each } x \in X.$$
 (1)

We observe that the map  $\Delta_f$  has a closed graph. Furthermore the map  $\Delta_f$  is multi-invertible and  $\stackrel{\longleftarrow}{\Delta}_f: Y \longrightarrow X$  is given by the formula

$$\overleftarrow{\Delta}_f(y) = f_1^{-1}(f_2(y)) \qquad \text{for each } y \in Y.$$
 (2)

Moreover, if  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are perfect maps then  $\Delta_f$  is u.s.c.. Let  $(p_1, q_1), (p_2, q_2) \in D(X, Y)$  be such that  $q_1 \circ \overleftarrow{p_1} = q_2 \circ \overleftarrow{p_2}$  and let

$$X \xleftarrow{p_1} Z_1 \xrightarrow{q_1} Y$$

$$\downarrow Id_X \qquad \downarrow \Delta_{pq} \qquad \downarrow Id_Y$$

$$X \xleftarrow{p_2} Z_2 \xrightarrow{q_2} Y$$

be commutative diagrams, where  $\Delta_{pq}\colon Z_1\multimap Z_2$  is a multivalued map given by the formula

$$\Delta_{nq}(x) = \Delta_n(x) \cap \Delta_q(x)$$
 for each  $x \in X$ 

(see (1)). It is easy to show that  $\Delta_{pq}$  is well defined. From Proposition 3.10 (see (3.10.5)) the map  $\Delta_{pq}$  is multi-invertible (see (2)) and u.s.c (see [4, 2]). It is clear that

$$p_2 \circ \Delta_{pq} = p_1$$
 and  $q_2 \circ \Delta_{pq} = q_1$ .

We observe that if  $\varphi \colon Z_1 \multimap Z_2$  is a multivalued map such that

$$p_2 \circ \varphi = p_1$$
 and  $q_2 \circ \varphi = q_1$ ,

then  $\varphi(x) \subset \Delta_{pq}(x)$  for each  $x \in X$ .

(i) If there exists a homeomorphism  $h: Z_1 \to Z_2$  such that

$$p_2 \circ h = p_1$$
 and  $q_2 \circ h = q_1$ ,

then  $(p_1, q_1) \approx_{K1} (p_2, q_2)$  (in the sense of Kryszewski (see [7])) and  $(Id_{Z_1}, h) \subset \Delta_{pq}$  and  $(Id_{Z_2}, h^{-1}) \subset \overline{\Delta}_{pq}$ , where  $h^{-1} \colon Z_2 \to Z_1$  is an inverse homeomorphism to h.

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(ii) If there exist continuous maps  $f: Z_1 \to Z_2$  and  $g: Z_2 \to Z_1$  such that

$$p_2 \circ f = p_1, \quad q_2 \circ f = q_1, \quad p_1 \circ g = p_2 \quad \text{and} \quad q_1 \circ g = q_2,$$

then  $(p_1,q_1) \approx_G (p_2,q_2)$  (in the sense of Górniewicz (see [5])) and  $(Id_{Z_1},f) \subset \Delta_{pq}$  and  $(Id_{Z_2},g) \subset \overline{\Delta}_{pq}$ .

(iii) If there exist Vietoris maps  $v_1: Z \to Z_1$  and  $v_2: Z \to Z_2$  such that

$$p_2 \circ v_2 = p_1 \circ v_1 \quad \text{and} \quad q_2 \circ v_2 = q_1 \circ v_1,$$
 (3)

then  $(p_1,q_1) \approx_{K2} (p_2,q_2)$  (in the sense of Kryszewski (see [7, 11])) and  $(v_1,v_2) \subset \Delta_{pq}$  and  $(v_2,v_1) \subset \overleftarrow{\Delta}_{pq}$ .

## 4. Admissible morphisms

Remark 3.11 justify the following definition.

Definition 4.1

Let  $(p_1, q_1), (p_2, q_2) \in D(X, Y)$  and let

$$X \xleftarrow{p_1} Z_1 \xrightarrow{q_1} Y, \quad X \xleftarrow{p_2} Z_2 \xrightarrow{q_2} Y.$$

We will say that the diagrams  $(p_1, q_1)$  and  $(p_2, q_2)$  are in relation in the set D(X, Y) (we will write  $(p_1, q_1) \approx_{ad} (p_2, q_2)$ ) if there exists an admissible and multi-invertible map  $\varphi \colon Z_1 \multimap Z_2$  such that  $\overline{\varphi}$  is admissible and the following diagram is commutative

$$\begin{array}{cccc} X \xleftarrow{p_1} & Z_1 & \xrightarrow{q_1} & Y \\ \downarrow Id_X & & \downarrow \varphi & & \downarrow Id_Y \\ X \xleftarrow{p_2} & Z_2 & \xrightarrow{q_2} & Y \end{array}$$

that is

$$p_2 \circ \varphi = p_1$$
 and  $q_2 \circ \varphi = q_1$ .

Proposition 4.2

The relation in the set D(X,Y) introduced in Definition 4.1 is an equivalence relation.

*Proof.* In the proof of reflexivity of the relation, it is enough to assume that  $Z_1 = Z_2$  and  $\varphi = Id_{Z_1}$ . We observe that if

$$p_2 \circ \varphi = p_1$$
 and  $q_2 \circ \varphi = q_1$ 

then

$$p_1 \circ \overleftarrow{\varphi} = p_2 \quad \text{and} \quad q_1 \circ \overleftarrow{\varphi} = q_2,$$
 (4)

where  $\varphi \colon Z_1 \multimap Z_2$  is a multi-invertible and admissible map and  $\overline{\varphi}$  is admissible. Hence, the relation is symmetric.

It shall be now proven that the relation is transitive. Suppose that  $(p_1, q_1) \approx_{ad} (p_2, q_2)$  and  $(p_2, q_2) \approx_{ad} (p_3, q_3)$ . Then from the assumption we have the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{cccc} X \xleftarrow{p_1} & Z_1 & \stackrel{q_1}{\longrightarrow} Y \\ \downarrow^{Id} & \downarrow^{\varphi_1} & \downarrow^{Id} \\ X \xleftarrow{p_2} & Z_2 & \stackrel{q_2}{\longrightarrow} Y \\ \downarrow^{Id} & \downarrow^{\varphi_2} & \downarrow^{Id} \\ X \xleftarrow{p_3} & Z_3 & \stackrel{q_3}{\longrightarrow} Y \end{array}$$

that is

$$p_2 \circ \varphi_1 = p_1, \quad q_2 \circ \varphi_1 = q_1, \quad p_3 \circ \varphi_2 = p_2, \quad q_3 \circ \varphi_2 = q_2,$$

where  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  are admissible and multi-invertible maps. Let  $\varphi = \varphi_2 \circ \varphi_1$ . By Proposition 3.10 (see (3.10.2))  $\varphi$  is an admissible and multi-invertible map. We have

$$p_3 \circ \varphi = p_3 \circ (\varphi_2 \circ \varphi_1) = p_1$$
 and  $q_3 \circ \varphi = q_3 \circ (\varphi_2 \circ \varphi_1) = q_1$ 

and the proof is complete.

## Proposition 4.3

Let  $(p_1, q_1), (p_2, q_2) \in D(X, Y)$ . The relation  $\approx_{ad}$  in the set D(X, Y) satisfies the following conditions

$$(4.3.1) ((p_1, q_1) \approx_{ad} (p_2, q_2)) \Rightarrow (q_1 \circ \overleftarrow{p_1} = q_2 \circ \overleftarrow{p_2}),$$

$$(4.3.2) ((p_1, q_1) \approx_{ad} (p_2, q_2)) \Rightarrow (q_{1*} \circ p_{1*}^{-1} = q_{2*} \circ p_{2*}^{-1}),$$

$$(4.3.3)$$
 let  $(p_3, q_3), (p_4, q_4) \in D(Y, T),$  then

$$((p_1, q_1) \approx_{ad} (p_2, q_2) \text{ and } (p_3, q_3) \approx_{ad} (p_4, q_4))$$
  
 $\Rightarrow (((p_3, q_3) \circ (p_1, q_1)) \approx_{ad} ((p_4, q_4) \circ (p_2, q_2))).$ 

*Proof.* (4.3.1). Let  $(p_1, q_1) \approx_{ad} (p_2, q_2)$ . Then there exists a multi-invertible and admissible map  $\varphi$  such that  $p_2 \circ \varphi = p_1$  and  $q_2 \circ \varphi = q_1$ . We observe that if  $p_2 \circ \varphi = p_1$  then  $\varphi \circ p_2 = p_1$ . Hence we have

$$q_1 \circ \overleftarrow{p_1} = q_1 \circ (\overleftarrow{\varphi} \circ \overleftarrow{p_2}) = (q_1 \circ \overleftarrow{\varphi}) \circ \overleftarrow{p_2} = q_2 \circ \overleftarrow{p_2}$$
 (see (4))

(4.3.2). Let  $(p_1, q_1) \approx_{ad} (p_2, q_2)$ . Then there exists a multi-invertible and admissible map  $\varphi$  such that  $p_2 \circ \varphi = p_1$  and  $q_2 \circ \varphi = q_1$ . Let  $(r, s) \subset \varphi$  then (see (4)),

$$q_1 \circ s = q_2 \circ r$$
 and  $p_1 \circ s = p_2 \circ r$ .

Hence

$$q_{1*} \circ s_* = q_{2*} \circ r_*$$
 and  $p_{1*} \circ s_* = p_{2*} \circ r_*$ .

We observe that  $s_*$  is an isomorphism, so

$$p_{1*} = p_{2*} \circ r_* \circ s_*^{-1}.$$

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We have

$$\begin{aligned} q_{1*} \circ p_{1*}^{-1} &= q_{1*} \circ (p_{2*} \circ r_* \circ s_*^{-1})^{-1} = q_{1*} \circ (s_* \circ r_*^{-1} \circ p_{2*}^{-1}) \\ &= (q_{1*} \circ s_*) \circ r_*^{-1} \circ p_{2*}^{-1} = q_{2*} \circ p_{2*}^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

(4.3.3). We have the following commutative diagrams

$$X \xleftarrow{p_1} Z_1 \xrightarrow{q_1} Y \xleftarrow{p_3} Z_3 \xrightarrow{q_3} T$$

$$\downarrow Id_X \qquad \downarrow \varphi_1 \qquad \downarrow Id_Y \qquad \downarrow \varphi_2 \qquad \downarrow Id_T$$

$$X \xleftarrow{p_2} Z_2 \xrightarrow{q_2} Y \xleftarrow{p_4} Z_4 \xrightarrow{q_4} T$$

that is

$$p_2 \circ \varphi_1 = p_1, \quad q_2 \circ \varphi_1 = q_1, \quad p_4 \circ \varphi_2 = p_3, \quad q_4 \circ \varphi_2 = q_3.$$

We make the following diagram (see Definition 2.1)

$$X \xleftarrow{p} Z_1 \triangle_{q_1p_3} Z_3 \xrightarrow{q} T$$

$$\downarrow Id_X \qquad \qquad \downarrow \psi \qquad \qquad \downarrow Id_T,$$

$$X \xleftarrow{p'} Z_2 \triangle_{q_2p_4} Z_4 \xrightarrow{q'} T$$

where  $(p,q) = (p_3,q_3) \circ (p_1,q_1), (p',q') = (p_4,q_4) \circ (p_2,q_2)$  and  $\psi(z_1,z_3) = \varphi_1(z_1) \times \varphi_2(z_3)$  for each  $(z_1,z_3) \in Z_1 \triangle_{q_1p_3} Z_3$ . First we need to prove that the map  $\psi$  is well defined. Let  $(z_1,z_3) \in Z_1 \triangle_{q_1p_3} Z_3$  and  $(z_2,z_4) \in \varphi_1(z_1) \times \varphi_2(z_3)$ . We have

$$q_2(z_2) = q_1(z_1) = p_3(z_3) = p_4(z_4).$$

It is clear that (see (3.10.4)) the map  $\psi$  is multi-invertible, admissible and  $\overline{\psi}$  given by the formula

$$\overleftarrow{\psi}(z_2, z_4) = \overleftarrow{\varphi_2}(z_2) \times \overleftarrow{\varphi_4}(z_4)$$

is admissible. We will show now that the above diagram is commutative. Let  $f_1\colon Z_1\bigtriangleup_{q_1p_3}Z_3\to Z_1,\ f_3\colon Z_1\bigtriangleup_{q_1p_3}Z_3\to Z_3,\ f_2\colon Z_2\bigtriangleup_{q_2p_4}Z_4\to Z_2,\ f_4\colon Z_2\bigtriangleup_{q_2p_4}Z_4\to Z_4$  be projections (see Definition 2.1). Note that  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are Vietoris mappings. We recall that by Definition 2.1 we have

$$p = p_1 \circ f_1$$
  $q = q_3 \circ f_3$ ,  $p' = p_2 \circ f_2$ ,  $q' = q_4 \circ f_4$ .

Let  $(z_1, z_3) \in Z_1 \triangle_{q_1 p_3} Z_3$  and  $(z_2, z_4) \in \varphi_1(z_1) \times \varphi_2(z_3)$ . Thus

$$p'(z_2, z_4) = p_2(f_2(z_2, z_4)) = p_2(z_2) = p_1(z_1) = p_1(f_1(z_1, z_3)) = p(z_1, z_3)$$

and similarly

$$q'(z_2, z_4) = q_4(f_4(z_2, z_4)) = q_4(z_4) = q_3(z_3) = q_3(f_3(z_1, z_3)) = q(z_1, z_3)$$

and the proof is complete.

The set of the class of the abstraction of the relation  $\approx_{ad}$  will be denoted by the symbol

$$M_{ad}(X,Y) = D(X,Y)_{/\approx_{ad}}.$$

The elements of the set  $M_{ad}(X,Y)$  will be called admissible morphisms and denoted by  $\varphi_{ad}, \psi_{ad}, \ldots$  The following denotation is assumed

$$\varphi_{ad} = [(p,q)]_{ad}$$
 (we write  $(p,q) \in \varphi_{ad}$ ),

where the diagram (p,q) is representative of the class of the abstraction  $[(p,q)]_{ad}$  in the relation  $\approx_{ad}$ . We recall that a multivalued u.s.c. map  $\varphi \colon X \multimap Y$  is acyclic if for each  $x \in X$  the set  $\varphi(x)$  is acyclic. The acyclic map  $\varphi$  is determined by an admissible morphism  $\varphi_{ad} = [(p_{\varphi}, q_{\varphi})]_{ad} \in M_{ad}(X, Y)$ , where

$$X \xleftarrow{p_{\varphi}} \Gamma_{\varphi} \xrightarrow{q_{\varphi}} Y,$$

 $\Gamma_{\varphi} = \{(x,y) \in X \times Y : y \in \varphi(x)\}, p_{\varphi}(x,y) = x \text{ (Vietoris map)}, q_{\varphi}(x,y) = y \text{ for each } (x,y) \in \Gamma_{\varphi} \text{ such that for each } x \in X,$ 

$$q_{\varphi}(p_{\varphi}^{-1}(x)) = \varphi(x).$$

For singlevalued mappings, there is the following fact (see [11]).

Proposition 4.4

Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a continuous mapping and let  $(p,q) \in D(X,Y)$ , where

$$X \xleftarrow{p} Z \xrightarrow{q} Y.$$

Then the following conditions are equivalent

- (4.4.1)  $q = f \circ p$ .
- $(4.4.2) (p,q) \approx_{ad} (Id, f),$
- (4.4.3)  $q(p^{-1}(x)) = f(x)$  for each  $x \in X$ .

*Proof.*  $(4.4.1) \Rightarrow (4.4.2)$ . There is the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{cccc} X & \stackrel{p}{\longleftarrow} & Z & \stackrel{q}{\longrightarrow} & Y \\ \downarrow^{Id_X} & & \downarrow^p & & \downarrow^{Id_Y}. \\ X & \stackrel{Id_X}{\longleftarrow} & X & \stackrel{f}{\longrightarrow} & Y \end{array}$$

Let  $\varphi = p$ . Then  $\varphi$  is a multi-invertible and admissible map and  $\overleftarrow{\varphi}$  is admissible. Hence  $(p,q) \approx_{ad} (Id,f)$ .

 $(4.4.2) \Rightarrow (4.4.3)$ . This implication is the result of Proposition 4.3 (see 4.3.1).

 $(4.4.3) \Rightarrow (4.4.1)$ . Let  $(p,q) \in D(X,Y)$  such that for each  $x \in X$   $q(p^{-1}(x)) = f(x)$  and let  $z \in Z$ . Then there exists a point  $x_1 \in X$  such that  $z \in p^{-1}(x_1)$ . Hence we get

$$q(z) = f(x_1) = f(p(z)),$$

and the proof is complete.

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Let  $(p_1, q_1), (p_2, q_2) \in D(X, Y)$  and let  $(p_1, q_1) \approx_{K_2} (p_2, q_2)$  (see (3)). If  $\varphi = v_2 \circ \overleftarrow{v_1}$  then  $\overleftarrow{\varphi} = v_1 \circ \overleftarrow{v_2}$  and

$$p_2 \circ \varphi = p_1$$
 and  $q_2 \circ \varphi = q_1$ .

Hence  $(p_1, q_1) \approx_{ad} (p_2, q_2)$ .

Example 4.5

Let J = [-1, 1].

$$I \xleftarrow{p_1} I \times J \xrightarrow{q_1} I$$

$$\downarrow Id_I \qquad \qquad \downarrow \varphi \qquad \qquad \downarrow Id_I,$$

$$I \xleftarrow{p_2} I \times I \xrightarrow{q_2} I$$

where  $p_1(x,y) = x$ ,  $q_1(x,y) = y^2$  for each  $(x,y) \in I \times J$ ,  $p_2(x,y) = x$ ,  $q_2(x,y) = y$  for each  $(x,y) \in I \times I$  and  $\varphi(x,y) = (x,y^2)$  for each  $(x,y) \in I \times J$ . It is clear that

$$(p_1, q_1) \approx_{ad} (p_2, q_2).$$

Assume that  $(p_1, q_1) \approx_{K_2} (p_2, q_2)$ . Then there exist Vietoris maps  $v_1 : Z \to I \times J$  and  $v_2 : Z \to I \times I$  such that  $q_1 \circ v_1 = q_2 \circ v_2$ . Let  $y \in I$ . We have

$$q_1^{-1}(y) \, \xleftarrow{\ v_1 \ } \, v_1^{-1}(q_1^{-1}(y)) = v_2^{-1}(q_2^{-1}(y)) \, \xrightarrow{\ v_2 \ } \, q_2^{-1}(y).$$

Hence,  $H_*(q_1^{-1}(y)) \cong H_*(q_2^{-1}(y))$  for each  $y \in I$ , but this is not possible.

Definition 4.6

For any  $\varphi_{ad} \in M_{ad}(X,Y)$ , the set  $\varphi(x) = q(p^{-1}(x))$  where  $\varphi_{ad} = [(p,q)]_{ad}$  is called an image of point x in an admissible morphism  $\varphi_{ad}$ .

We denote by

$$\varphi \colon X \to_{ad} Y$$

a multivalued map (see, Definition 4.6) determined by an admissible morphism  $\varphi_{ad} = [(p,q)]_{ad} \in M_{ad}(X,Y)$ .

Let  $\mathbf{TOP}$  denote categories in which Hausdorff topological spaces are objects and continuous mappings are category mappings. Let  $\mathbf{TOP_{ad}}$  denote categories in which Hausdorff topological spaces are objects and multivalued maps determined by admissible morphisms are category mappings. According to Proposition 4.3, (4.4.3) the category of  $\mathbf{TOP_{ad}}$  is well defined and  $\mathbf{TOP} \subset \mathbf{TOP_{ad}}$ . Let  $\mathbf{VECT_G}$  denote categories in which linear graded vector spaces are objects and linear mappings of degree zero are category mappings.

THEOREM 4.7 (see [12])

The mapping  $\widetilde{\mathbf{H}}_* \colon \mathbf{TOP_{ad}} \to \mathbf{VECT_G}$  given by the formula

$$\widetilde{\mathbf{H}_*}(\varphi) = q_* \circ p_*^{-1},$$

where  $\varphi$  is a multivalued map determined by  $\varphi_{ad} = [(p,q)]_{ad}$  is a functor and the extension of the functor of the Čech homology  $\mathbf{H}_* \colon \mathbf{TOP} \to \mathbf{VECT_G}$ .

## 5. The strongly acyclic spaces

We will say that a space X is strongly acyclic if for each compact set  $K \subset X$  there exists a compact and acyclic set  $A \subset X$  such that  $K \subset A$ . We observe that from the construction of the Čech homology with compact carriers, we get:

## Proposition 5.1

If X is a strongly acyclic space then X is an acyclic space.

Proof. Let

$$C(X) = \{K \subset X : K \text{ is compact}\}\$$

and let

$$CA(X) = \{A \subset X : A \text{ is compact and acyclic}\}.$$

From the assumption the set CA(X) is cofinal in the set C(X) and the proof is complete.

The following fact results from the Mazur's Lemma.

#### Proposition 5.2

If E is a Banach space then it is a strongly acyclic space.

#### Proposition 5.3

Let  $\{X_t, \pi_s^t, \Sigma\}$  be an inverse system, where  $\Sigma$  is a directed set and for each  $t \in \Sigma$  a space  $X_t$  is strongly acyclic. Assume that for each  $t \in \Sigma$  and for any compact set  $K_t \subset X_t$  there exists an acyclic set  $A_t \subset X_t$  such that  $K_t \subset A_t$  and  $\{A_t, (\pi_A)_s^t, \Sigma\}$  is an inverse system, where for  $s \leq t$  the map  $(\pi_A)_s^t$  is a restriction of  $\pi_s^t$ . Then a space

$$Y = \lim_{\leftarrow} \{X_t, \pi_s^t, \Sigma\}$$

is strongly acyclic.

*Proof.* Let  $K \subset Y$  be a compact set and let  $t \in \Sigma$ . We denote by  $f_t \colon Y \to X_t$  a restriction of projection map. The set  $K_t = f_t(K) \subset X_t$  is compact. From the mathematical literature (see [2]) we know that

$$K = \lim_{\leftarrow} \{ K_t, (\pi_K)_s^t, \Sigma \},$$

where for  $s \leq t$  the map  $(\pi_K)_s^t$  is a restriction of  $\pi_s^t$ . In turn, from the assumption there exists an acyclic and compact set  $A_t \subset X_t$  such that  $K_t \subset A_t$  and  $\{A_t, (\pi_A)_s^t, \Sigma\}$  is an inverse system, where for  $s \leq t$  the map  $(\pi_A)_s^t$  is a restriction of  $\pi_s^t$ . The set

$$A = \lim_{\leftarrow} \{ A_t, (\pi_A)_s^t, \Sigma \} \subset Y$$

is compact and from the continuity of the Čech homology it results that A is acyclic. It is clear that  $K \subset A$  and the proof is complete.

## Proposition 5.4

If  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$  are strongly acyclic spaces then  $X_1 \times X_2 \times \cdots \times X_n$  is a strongly acyclic space.

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*Proof.* Let  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$  be strongly acyclic spaces and let  $K \subset X_1 \times X_2 \times \cdots \times X_n$  be a compact set. We denote by  $K_i = \pi_i(K)$ , where  $\pi_i \colon X_1 \times X_2 \times \cdots \times X_n \to X_i$  is a projection,  $i = 1, 2, \ldots, n$ . The set  $K_i$  is compact, so there exists an acyclic and compact set  $A_i \subset X_i$  such that  $K_i \subset A_i, i = 1, 2, \ldots, n$ . Let  $A = A_1 \times A_2 \times \cdots \times A_n$ . Then A is compact and acyclic (see [4]),  $K \subset A$  and the proof is complete.

From Proposition 5.3 and Proposition 5.4 we get the following fact.

#### Proposition 5.5

Let S be a non-empty set and let for each  $s \in S$  a space  $X_s$  be strongly acyclic. Then the cartesian product

$$X = \prod_{s \in S} X_s$$

is a strongly acyclic space.

*Proof.* Let  $\Sigma = \{ \xi \subset S : \xi \text{ is a finite set} \}$ . Then  $(\Sigma, \leq)$  is a directed set, where  $\leq$  is an inclusion. From the mathematical literature we know that

$$X = \lim_{\leftarrow} \{ Y_{\xi}, \pi_{\zeta}^{\xi}, \Sigma \},$$

where  $Y_{\xi} = X_{s_1} \times X_{s_2} \times \cdots \times X_{s_n}$ ,  $\xi = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n\} \subset S$  and for each  $\zeta \leq \xi$ ,  $\pi_{\zeta}^{\xi} \colon Y_{\xi} \to Y_{\zeta}$  is a projection. From Proposition 5.4 the space  $Y_{\xi}$  for each  $\xi \in \Sigma$  is strongly acyclic. We observe that the inverse system satisfies the assumption of Proposition 5.3 (see proof of Proposition 5.4) and the proof is complete.

## Proposition 5.6

Let  $\Sigma$  be a non-empty, directed set and let  $E_t$  be a Banach space for each  $t \in \Sigma$ . Let  $\{E_t, \pi_s^t, \Sigma\}$  be an inverse system. Assume that

$$E = \lim_{\leftarrow} \{ E_t, \pi_s^t, \Sigma \}$$

is a linear space. Then E is a strongly acyclic space.

*Proof.* Let  $K \subset E$  be a compact set and let  $t \in \Sigma$ . We denote by  $f_t : E \to E_t$  a restriction of a projection map. The set  $K_t = f_t(K) \subset E_t$  is compact. We have (see proof of Proposition 5.3),

$$K = \lim_{\leftarrow} \{ K_t, (\pi_K)_s^t, \Sigma \},$$

where for  $s \leq t$  the map  $(\pi_K)_s^t$  is a restriction of  $\pi_s^t$ . From the assumption  $E_t$  is a Banach space, so the set  $\overline{\text{conv}}(K_t) \subset E_t$  is compact and convex. Let

$$A = \prod_{t \in \Sigma} \overline{\operatorname{conv}}(K_t).$$

Then A is compact and convex. The space E is a closed subset in the cartesian product  $\prod_{t\in\Sigma} E_t$ , so the set  $A\cap E\subset E$  is compact and, from the assumption, is convex. Hence the set  $f_t(A\cap E)=A_t\subset E_t$  is compact and convex (in particular, acyclic),  $K_t\subset A_t$  and  $\{A_t,(\pi_A)_s^t,\Sigma\}$  is an inverse system, where for  $s\leq t$  the map  $(\pi_A)_s^t$  is a restriction of  $\pi_s^t$ . From Proposition 5.3 it results that E is strongly acyclic and the proof is complete.

The next fact is obvious.

Proposition 5.7

Let X and Y be homeomorphic spaces. The space X is strongly acyclic if and only if the space Y is strongly acyclic.

We will give the following important example.

Example 5.8

By  $C^k([0,m],\mathbb{R}^n)$ , where  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $k = 0,1,\ldots$ , we denote the Banach space of all  $C^k$ -functions with the usual maximum norm

$$||x||_m = \sum_{i=0}^k \max\{||x^{(i)}(t)||, \ t \in [0, m]\}.$$

Here  $x^{(k)}$  denotes the k-th derivative of x and we also put  $x^{(1)} = x'$ ,  $x^{(0)} = x$ . Let  $C^k([0,\infty],\mathbb{R}^n)$  be a Fréchet space of all  $C^k$ -functions with the metric

$$d(x,y) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} 2^{-m} \frac{\|x - y\|_m}{1 + \|x - y\|_m}.$$

Let  $\{C_m^k, \pi_m^p, \mathbb{N}\}$  be an inverse system, where  $\pi_m^p = x|_{[0,m]}$  for every  $x \in C_p^k$ . One can easily check that

$$E = \lim \{C_m^k, \pi_m^p, \mathbb{N}\}$$
 is homeomorphic to  $C^k([0, \infty], \mathbb{R}^n)$ 

and E is a linear space. From Proposition 5.6 and Proposition 5.7 the space  $C^k([0,\infty],\mathbb{R}^n)$  is strongly acyclic.

## 6. The points of coincidence

We observe that a map  $\varphi \colon X \multimap Y$  is admissible if and only if there exists a map  $\Delta_{\varphi} \colon X \to_{ad} Y$  such that  $\Delta_{\varphi}(x) \subset \varphi(x)$  (we write  $\Delta_{\varphi} \subset \varphi$ ) for each  $x \in X$ . We say that a map  $\varphi$  is compact if  $\overline{\varphi(X)} \subset Y$  is a compact set. Let  $\varphi \colon X \to_{ad} X$ . By the symbol  $\Lambda(\varphi)$  we will denote a generalized Lefschetz number of  $\varphi$  (see [4]), that is

$$\Lambda(\varphi) = \Lambda(\varphi_*) = \Lambda(q_* \circ p_*^{-1})$$
 (provided that it is well defined),

where  $(p,q) \in \varphi_{ad}$  (see Proposition 4.3). Let  $\varphi, \psi \colon X \multimap Y$  be multivalued maps. We recall that the maps  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  have a coincidence point if there exists a point  $x \in X$  such that

$$\varphi(x) \cap \psi(x) \neq \emptyset$$
.

Let  $\varphi \colon X \to_{ad} X$  be a multivalued map given by  $\varphi_{ad} = [(p,q)]_{ad} \in M_{ad}(X,Y)$ . It is easy to see that  $p,q \colon Z \to X$  have a coincidence point if and only if there exists a fixed point of  $\varphi$ , that is, there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $x_0 \in \varphi(x_0)$ .

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THEOREM 6.1

Let  $\varphi \colon X \multimap Y$  be a multi-invertible and locally admissible map and let  $\psi \colon X \multimap Y$  be a compact and locally admissible map. Let  $X \in NA_C$   $(Y \in NA_C)$ . Then there exists an open set  $U \subset X$   $(U \subset Y)$  and  $\Delta \colon U \to_{ad} U$ ,  $\Delta \subset (\overline{\varphi} \circ \psi)_U$   $(\Delta \subset (\psi \circ \overline{\varphi})_U)$  such that  $\Lambda(\Delta)$  is well defined and if  $\Lambda(\Delta) \neq 0$  then  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  have a coincidence point.

Proof. Let  $X \in NA_C$ . From the assumption the map  $\overleftarrow{\varphi}: Y \multimap X$  is locally admissible. Let  $\psi\colon X \multimap Y$  be a compact and locally admissible map. The set  $K_1 = \overline{\psi(X)} \subset Y$  is compact, so there exists an open neighborhood  $V \subset Y$  of  $K_1$  such that  $\overleftarrow{\varphi}_V\colon V \multimap X$  is admissible. Hence, there exists a multivauled map  $\Phi_V\colon V \to_{ad} X$  such that  $\Phi_V \subset \overleftarrow{\varphi}_V$ . Let  $K = \Phi_V(K_1) \subset X$ . It is clear that K is compact. There exists an open neighborhood  $U \subset X$  of K such that  $\psi_U\colon U \multimap V \subset Y$  is admissible. Let  $\Psi_U\colon U \to_{ad} V$  be a map such that  $\Psi_U \subset \psi_U$ . We have the following diagram

$$U \xrightarrow{\Psi_U} V \xrightarrow{\Phi_V} X.$$

Let  $\Delta = \Phi_V \circ \Psi_U$ . We observe that  $\Delta$  is compact,  $\overline{\Delta(U)} \subset U$  and  $\Delta \subset (\overleftarrow{\varphi} \circ \psi)_U$ . Hence and from Proposition 2.5 and Theorem 2.6  $\Lambda(\Delta)$  is well defined. Assume that  $\Lambda(\Delta) \neq 0$  then there exists a point  $x \in U$  such that

$$x \in \Delta(x) \subset \overleftarrow{\varphi}(\psi(x)).$$

There exists a point  $y \in \psi(x)$  such that  $x \in \overleftarrow{\varphi}(y)$ . Hence,  $y \in \varphi(x)$ , so

$$\varphi(x) \cap \psi(x) \neq \emptyset$$
.

Let  $Y \in NA_C$  and let  $\psi \colon X \multimap Y$  be a compact and locally admissible map. From Proposition 2.3 the map  $\psi \circ \overleftarrow{\varphi} \colon Y \multimap Y$  is locally admissible. From the assumption the set  $K = \overline{\psi}(\overleftarrow{\varphi}(Y))$  is compact, so there exists an open neighborhood  $U \subset Y$  of K such that  $(\psi \circ \overleftarrow{\varphi})_U \colon U \multimap U \subset Y$  is admissible. Hence, there exists  $\Delta \colon U \to_{ad} U$  such that  $\Delta \subset (\psi \circ \overleftarrow{\varphi})_U$ . It is obvious that  $\Delta$  is compact and  $\Lambda(\Delta)$  is well defined. Assume that  $\Lambda(\Delta) \neq 0$  then there exists a point  $y \in U$  such that

$$y \in \Delta(y) \subset \psi(\overleftarrow{\varphi}(y)).$$

There exists a point  $x \in \overleftarrow{\varphi}(y)$  such that  $y \in \psi(x)$ . Hence,  $y \in \varphi(x)$ , so

$$\varphi(x) \cap \psi(x) \neq \emptyset$$

and the proof is complete.

The following fact results from Theorem 6.1.

## Proposition 6.2

Let  $\varphi \colon X \multimap Y$  be a multi-invertible and locally admissible map and let  $\psi \colon X \multimap Y$  be a compact and locally admissible map. Assume that  $X \in NA_C$  is strongly acyclic or  $Y \in NA_C$  is strongly acyclic, then  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  have a coincidence point.

*Proof.* In the proof of Theorem 6.1 it is enough to replace the set K with the set of acyclic and compact A such that  $K \subset A$ . Then  $\Lambda(\Delta) = 1$  and the proof is complete.

From the last fact and Proposition 5.2, we get

#### Proposition 6.3

Let E be a Banach space. Let  $\varphi \colon X \multimap E$  be a multi-invertible and locally admissible map and let  $\psi \colon X \multimap E$  be a compact and locally admissible map. Then  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  have a coincidence point.

The next fact is the simple conclusion of Proposition 6.2.

#### Proposition 6.4

Let  $\varphi \colon X \multimap Y$  be a multi-invertible and admissible map and let  $\psi \colon X \multimap Y$  be a compact and admissible map. Furthermore, assume that an inverse map  $\overleftarrow{\varphi}$  is admissible. If  $X \in A_C$  or  $Y \in A_C$  then the maps  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  have a coincidence point.

## 7. Conclusion

In the third paragraph we have proposed the definition of a multivalued invertible mapping. In the context of such a definition if a mapping is multi-invertible then there exists exactly one multi-inverse mapping. Moreover, if a single-valued mapping  $f\colon X\to Y$  is invertible, then it is multi-invertible and  $f=f^{-1}$ . Multi-invertible mappings constitute a wide class of mappings and have many interesting applications. In paragraph four we have applied multi-invertible mappings for the construction of morphisms. Then, in paragraph six, it was proven that multi-invertible mappings have coincidence properties.

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