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*Abstract.* A negative answer to a question of E.A. Michael is given: A convex  $G_\delta$ -subset  $Y$  of a Hilbert space is constructed together with a l.s.c. map  $Y \rightarrow Y$  having closed convex values and no continuous selection.

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In [1] E.A. Michael has proved the following fundamental theorem: *Let  $F : X \rightarrow B$  be a lower semicontinuous multivalued mapping of a paracompact space  $X$  into a Banach space  $B$ . Let the values of  $F$  be convex and closed. Then the mapping  $F$  has a continuous selection.*

In [2] E.A. Michael has asked: *Let  $Y$  be a convex  $G_\delta$ -subset of a Banach space  $B$ . Does then every lower semicontinuous mapping  $F : X \rightarrow Y$  of a paracompact space  $X$  with convex closed values in  $Y$  have a continuous selection?* V.G. Gutev proved in [3] that the answer is affirmative when  $X$  is a countably dimensional metric space or a strongly countably dimensional paracompact space. In [4] V.G. Gutev and V. Valov proved that the answer is affirmative for a paracompact  $C$ -space  $X$ . See also [5].

Here we will construct an example giving a negative answer. We will construct a lower semicontinuous mapping  $F : Y \rightarrow Y$  of a convex  $G_\delta$ -subset  $Y$  of Hilbert space into itself with convex closed values in  $Y$ , which has no continuous singlevalued selection.

**Example.** We start with the space  $P([0, 1])$  of all probability measures on the segment  $[0, 1]$ . We identify a measure  $m \in P([0, 1])$  with the corresponding linear functional  $C([0, 1]) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  on the space  $C([0, 1])$  of real continuous functions on the segment  $[0, 1]$ . So we associate with a measure  $m \in P([0, 1])$  a point of the Tychonoff product  $\prod\{[-\|\phi\|, \|\phi\|] : \phi \in C([0, 1])\}$ . Conditions defining probability measures describe closed subset of the Tychonoff product. Then the defined topological space  $P([0, 1])$  is compact. The sets

$$O(m_0; \phi_1, \dots, \phi_k; \varepsilon) = \{m : m \in P([0, 1]), |m(\phi_i) - m_0(\phi_i)| < \varepsilon, \quad i = 1, \dots, k\},$$

where  $\phi_1, \dots, \phi_k \in C([0, 1])$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , give us a base at a point  $m_0 \in P([0, 1])$ . There exists a countable dense subset  $W$  of the space of continuous functions on

$[0, 1]$ . The mapping which associates with a measure  $m$  the sequence  $\{m(w) : w \in W\}$  maps  $P([0, 1])$  into a countable product of segments, which can be considered as the Hilbert cube embedded in a Hilbert space. This mapping keeps the convex structure. So we may consider  $P([0, 1])$  as a subset of a Banach space. Denote by  $\rho$  an arbitrary metric on  $P([0, 1])$ .

There exists a proper convex  $G_\delta$ -subset  $Y$  of the space  $P([0, 1])$  of all probability measures on the segment  $[0, 1]$  which contains all Dirac measures, see [6]. The set  $Y$  may be constructed as follows. Let  $\lambda$  denote the Lebesgue measure. Let us denote by  $A_k$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ , the set of all points  $m \in P([0, 1])$ , satisfying the condition: *There exists a point  $n \in P([0, 1])$ , such that  $\rho(n, \lambda) \geq 2^{-k}$  and the segment  $[m, n]$  contains  $\lambda$ .* It is easy to show that the sets  $A_k$  are closed, the set  $Y = P([0, 1]) \setminus \bigcup\{A_k : k = 1, 2, \dots\}$  is convex, contains all Dirac measures and does not contain the measure  $\lambda$ .

The mapping  $H_0 : P([0, 1]) \rightarrow [0, 1]$  which associates with a measure its support is lower semicontinuous. So the mapping  $H_1 : P([0, 1]) \rightarrow Y$  which associates with a measure  $m$  the set of all Dirac measures whose supports lie in  $H_0(m)$  is lower semicontinuous. So the mapping  $H_2 : P([0, 1]) \rightarrow Y$  which associates with a measure  $m$  the convex hull of  $H_1(m)$  is lower semicontinuous. So the mapping  $H_3 : P([0, 1]) \rightarrow Y$  which associates with a measure  $m$  the closure of  $H_2(m)$  is lower semicontinuous. The values of the mapping  $H_3$  are convex and closed in  $Y$  ( $H_3(m) = [H_2(m)]_Y = [H_2(m)]_{P([0, 1])} \cap Y$ , where  $[H_2(m)]_Y$  denotes the closure of  $H_2(m)$  in  $Y$  and  $[H_2(m)]_{P([0, 1])}$  denotes the closure of  $H_2(m)$  in  $P([0, 1])$ ).

Denote by  $\Delta(a_0, \dots, a_n)$  the set of all measures whose supports lie in the finite set  $\{a_0, \dots, a_n\}$ . It is homeomorphic to an  $n$ -dimensional simplex. The mappings  $H_2$  and  $H_3$  associate with a point  $p$  of the simplex the minimal face which contains  $p$ . So for every selection  $h$  and for every point  $p$  of the boundary  $\beta$  of the simplex  $\Delta(a_0, \dots, a_n)$ , the segment connecting the points  $p$  and  $h(p)$  lies in  $\beta$ . So the identity mapping  $i : \beta \rightarrow \beta$  and  $h|_\beta : \beta \rightarrow \beta$  are homotopic. So the degree of the mapping  $h|_\beta$  is equal to 1. So the mapping  $h|_{\Delta(a_0, \dots, a_n)}$  is surjective. See [7].

So the image  $I$  of a selection  $h$  must contain the set of all measures with finite supports. This set is dense in  $P([0, 1])$ . But  $I$  is compact, so  $I = P([0, 1])$ . On the other hand  $I \subset Y$ , a contradiction.

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