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## Continuous solutions to two iterative functional equations

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Dedicated to Professor Ludwig Reich on his 80th birthday.

Abstract. Based on iteration of random-valued functions we study the problem of solvability in the class of continuous and Hölder continuous functions $\varphi$ of the equations

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \varphi(x)=F(x)-\int_{\Omega} \varphi(f(x, \omega)) P(d \omega) \\
& \varphi(x)=F(x)+\int_{\Omega} \varphi(f(x, \omega)) P(d \omega)
\end{aligned}
$$

where $P$ is a probability measure on a $\sigma$-algebra of subsets of $\Omega$.
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## 1. Introduction

Fix a probability space $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, P)$, a complete and separable metric space $(X, \rho)$ with the $\sigma$-algebra $\mathcal{B}$ of all its Borel subsets, and a $\mathcal{B} \otimes \mathcal{A}$-measurable function $f: X \times \Omega \rightarrow X$.

We continue the research of continuous solutions $\varphi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ of the equations

$$
\begin{align*}
& \varphi(x)=F(x)-\int_{\Omega} \varphi(f(x, \omega)) P(d \omega)  \tag{1}\\
& \varphi(x)=F(x)+\int_{\Omega} \varphi(f(x, \omega)) P(d \omega) \tag{2}
\end{align*}
$$

We refer mainly to $[2,5]$. Like in these papers we focus on the iteration of random-valued functions:

$$
f^{0}\left(x, \omega_{1}, \omega_{2}, \ldots\right)=x, \quad f^{n}\left(x, \omega_{1}, \omega_{2}, \ldots\right)=f\left(f^{n-1}\left(x, \omega_{1}, \omega_{2}, \ldots\right), \omega_{n}\right)
$$

for $n \in \mathbb{N}, x \in X$ and $\left(\omega_{1}, \omega_{2}, \ldots\right)$ from $\Omega^{\infty}$ defined as $\Omega^{\mathbb{N}}$. Note that for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ the $n$th iterate $f^{n}$ mapping $X \times \Omega^{\infty}$ into $X$ is $\mathcal{B} \otimes \mathcal{A}_{n}$-measurable, where $\mathcal{A}_{n}$ denotes the $\sigma$-algebra of all sets of the form

$$
\left\{\left(\omega_{1}, \omega_{2}, \ldots\right) \in \Omega^{\infty}:\left(\omega_{1}, \ldots, \omega_{n}\right) \in A\right\}
$$

with $A$ from the product $\sigma$-algebra $\mathcal{A}^{n}$. (See [13, section 1.4], [10].)
Let $\pi_{n}^{f}(x, \cdot)$ denote the distribution of $f^{n}(x, \cdot)$, i.e.,

$$
\pi_{n}^{f}(x, B)=P^{\infty}\left(f^{n}(x, \cdot) \in B\right) \quad \text { for } n \in \mathbb{N} \cup\{0\}, x \in X \text { and } B \in \mathcal{B} .
$$

If

$$
\begin{equation*}
\int_{\Omega} \rho(f(x, \omega), f(z, \omega)) P(d \omega) \leq \lambda \rho(x, z) \quad \text { for } x, z \in X \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

with a $\lambda \in(0,1)$, and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\int_{\Omega} \rho(f(x, \omega), x) P(d \omega)<\infty \quad \text { for } x \in X, \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

then (see [2, Theorem 3.1]) there exists a probability Borel measure $\pi^{f}$ on $X$ such that for every $x \in X$ the sequence $\left(\pi_{n}^{f}(x, \cdot)\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges weakly to $\pi^{f}$, and (see [11, Corollary 5.6 and Lemma 3.1], also [3, Lemma 2.2]) for every non-expansive $u: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ the inequality

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|\int_{X} u(z) \pi_{n}^{f}(x, d z)-\int_{X} u(z) \pi^{f}(d z)\right| \leq \frac{\lambda^{n}}{1-\lambda} \int_{\Omega} \rho(f(x, \omega), x) P(d \omega) \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

holds for $x \in X$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
This limit distribution $\pi^{f}$ plays an important role in solving (1) and (2), see [5, Theorem 3.1], [2, Corollary 4.1], [3, Theorem 2.1]. In particular:
(I) If $F: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous and bounded, then any continuous and bounded solution $\varphi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ of (1) has the form

$$
\begin{align*}
\varphi(x)= & F(x)-\frac{1}{2} \int_{X} F(z) \pi^{f}(d z) \\
& +\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}(-1)^{n}\left(\int_{X} F(z) \pi_{n}^{f}(x, d z)-\int_{X} F(z) \pi^{f}(d z)\right) \quad \text { for } x \in X \tag{6}
\end{align*}
$$

if additionally $F$ is Lipschitz, then (6) defines a Lipschitz solution $\varphi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ of (1).
(II) If $F: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous and bounded and (2) has a continuous and bounded solution $\varphi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, then

$$
\begin{equation*}
\int_{X} F(x) \pi^{f}(d x)=0 \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

and any such solution has the form

$$
\varphi(x)=c+F(x)+\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{X} F(z) \pi_{n}^{f}(x, d z) \quad \text { for } x \in X
$$

with a real constant $c$.
(III) If $F: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is Lipschitz, then it is integrable for $\pi^{f}$ and (2) has a Lipschitz solution $\varphi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ if and only if (7) holds.

The limit distribution $\pi^{f}$ and facts cited above will be used in the main part of the paper. A characterization of this limit for some special randomvalued functions in Hilbert spaces have been given by [3, Theorem 3.1] and, in Banach spaces, by [4, Theorem 2.1].

Actually we do not have a sufficiently satisfactory theorem to guarantee the existence of continuous solutions to the equations considered. An explanation of this situation is given in the paper [9] by Witold Jarczyk (see also [13, Note 3.8.4]). Namely, in the case where $\Omega$ is a singleton and $X$ is a compact real interval, for the appropriate $f$ the set of continuous $F: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that the equation has a continuous solution is small in the sense of Baire category. It is also small from the measure point of view (see [1]). We will go also in this direction but, above all, we are looking for conditions under which Eqs. (1) and (2) have continuous and Hölder continuous solutions $\varphi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. In the case where $\Omega$ is a singleton, see [12, Chapter II, $\S 7]$.

## 2. Results

We will consider Eqs. (1) and (2) assuming the following hypothesis (H).
(H) $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, P)$ is a probability space, $(X, \rho)$ is a complete and separable metric space, $f: X \times \Omega \rightarrow X$ is $\mathcal{B} \otimes \mathcal{A}$-measurable, (3) holds with a $\lambda \in(0,1)$ and (4) is satisfied.

We regard $\lambda$ as fixed in $(0,1)$, and for any metric space $X$ we define $\mathcal{F}(X)$ as the set of all continuous functions $F: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that there are a sequence $\left(F_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of real functions on $X$ and constants $\vartheta \in(0,1), L \in\left(0, \frac{1}{\lambda}\right)$ and $\alpha, \beta \in(0, \infty)$ such that

$$
\left|F(x)-F_{n}(x)\right| \leq \alpha \vartheta^{n} \quad \text { for } x \in X, n \in \mathbb{N}
$$

and

$$
\left|F_{n}(x)-F_{n}(z)\right| \leq \beta L^{n} \rho(x, z) \quad \text { for } x, z \in X, n \in \mathbb{N} .
$$

Clearly any real Lipschitz function defined on $X$ belongs to $\mathcal{F}(X)$.
Theorem 2.1. Assume (H). If $F \in \mathcal{F}(X)$, then formula (6) defines a continuous solution $\varphi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ of (1), and if additionally (7) holds, then the formula

$$
\begin{equation*}
\varphi_{0}(x)=F(x)+\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{X} F(z) \pi_{n}^{f}(x, d z) \quad \text { for } x \in X \tag{8}
\end{equation*}
$$

defines a continuous solution $\varphi_{0}: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ of (2).
The proof will be based on three lemmas. In each of them we assume (H).
Lemma 2.2. If $F \in \mathcal{F}(X)$, then the integrals

$$
\int_{\Omega}|F(f(x, \omega))| P(d \omega) \quad \text { for } x \in X, \quad \int_{X}|F(z)| \pi^{f}(d z)
$$

are finite, and the function

$$
\begin{equation*}
x \mapsto \int_{\Omega} F(f(x, \omega)) P(d \omega), \quad x \in X \tag{9}
\end{equation*}
$$

is continuous.
Proof. Corresponding to $F$ choose a sequence $\left(F_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of real functions on $X$ and constants $\vartheta \in(0,1), L \in\left(0, \frac{1}{\lambda}\right)$ and $\alpha, \beta \in(0, \infty)$ as in the definition of $\mathcal{F}(X)$. Then

$$
\int_{\Omega}|F(f(x, \omega))| P(d \omega) \leq \alpha \vartheta+\beta L \int_{\Omega} \rho(f(x, \omega), x) P(d \omega)+\left|F_{1}(x)\right|
$$

for $x \in X$, and

$$
\int_{X}|F(z)| \pi^{f}(d z) \leq \alpha \vartheta+\int_{X}\left|F_{1}(z)\right| \pi^{f}(d z)
$$

see also (III). Moreover, for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ the function

$$
x \mapsto \int_{\Omega} F_{n}(f(x, \omega)) P(d \omega), \quad x \in X
$$

is Lipschitz:

$$
\left|\int_{\Omega} F_{n}(f(x, \omega)) P(d \omega)-\int_{\Omega} F_{n}(f(z, \omega)) P(d \omega)\right| \leq \beta L^{n} \lambda \rho(x, z)
$$

for $x, z \in X$, and therefore function (9), as their uniform limit, is continuous.

Lemma 2.3. If $F \in \mathcal{F}(X)$, then

$$
\int_{X}|F(z)| \pi_{n}^{f}(x, d z)<\infty \quad \text { for } x \in X \text { and } n \in \mathbb{N}
$$

and for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ the function

$$
x \mapsto \int_{X} F(z) \pi_{n}^{f}(x, d z), \quad x \in X
$$

is continuous.

Proof. By induction, (3) and (4),

$$
\begin{equation*}
\int_{\Omega^{\infty}} \rho\left(f^{n}(x, \omega), f^{n}(z, \omega)\right) P^{\infty}(d \omega) \leq \lambda^{n} \rho(x, z) \quad \text { for } x, z \in X \text { and } n \in \mathbb{N} \tag{10}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\int_{\Omega^{\infty}} \rho\left(f^{n}(x, \omega), x\right) P^{\infty}(d \omega)<\infty \quad \text { for } x \in X \text { and } n \in \mathbb{N}
$$

Since

$$
\int_{X} F(z) \pi_{n}^{f}(x, d z)=\int_{\Omega^{\infty}} F\left(f^{n}(x, \omega)\right) P^{\infty}(d \omega) \quad \text { for } x \in X \text { and } n \in \mathbb{N},(11)
$$

an application of Lemma 2.2 with $f$ replaced by $f^{n}, n \in \mathbb{N}$, finishes the proof.

Lemma 2.4. If $F \in \mathcal{F}(X)$, then there are constants $\theta \in(0,1)$ and $M \in(0, \infty)$ such that

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left|\int_{X} F(z) \pi_{n}^{f}(x, d z)-\int_{X} F(z) \pi^{f}(d z)\right| \\
& \quad \leq M \theta^{n}\left(1+\rho\left(x, x_{0}\right)+\int_{\Omega} \rho\left(f\left(x_{0}, \omega\right), x_{0}\right) P(d \omega)\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

for $x, x_{0} \in X$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Proof. Corresponding to $F$ choose a sequence $\left(F_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of real functions on $X$ and constants $\vartheta \in(0,1), L \in\left(0, \frac{1}{\lambda}\right)$ and $\alpha, \beta \in(0, \infty)$ as in the definition of $\mathcal{F}(X)$, and put

$$
\theta=\max \{\vartheta, \lambda L\}, \quad M=2 \max \left\{\alpha, \frac{\beta}{1-\lambda}\right\} .
$$

Then $\theta \in(0,1)$, and by Lemmas 2.3 and 2.2, (5) with $u=\frac{F_{n}}{\beta L^{n}}$ and (3) for every $x, x_{0} \in X$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we have

$$
\begin{array}{rl}
\mid \int_{X} & F(z) \pi_{n}^{f}(x, d z)-\int_{X} F(z) \pi^{f}(d z) \mid \\
\leq & \left|\int_{X} F(z) \pi_{n}^{f}(x, d z)-\int_{X} F_{n}(z) \pi_{n}^{f}(x, d z)\right| \\
& +\left|\int_{X} F_{n}(z) \pi_{n}^{f}(x, d z)-\int_{X} F_{n}(z) \pi^{f}(d z)\right| \\
& +\left|\int_{X} F_{n}(z) \pi^{f}(d z)-\int_{X} F(z) \pi^{f}(d z)\right| \\
\leq & \int_{X}\left|F(z)-F_{n}(z)\right| \pi_{n}^{f}(x, d z)+\beta L^{n} \frac{\lambda^{n}}{1-\lambda} \int_{\Omega} \rho(f(x, \omega), x) P(d \omega) \\
& +\int_{X}\left|F_{n}(z)-F(z)\right| \pi^{f}(d z) \leq 2 \alpha \vartheta^{n}+\beta L^{n} \frac{\lambda^{n}}{1-\lambda} \int_{\Omega} \rho(f(x, \omega), x) P(d \omega) \\
\leq & 2 \alpha \theta^{n}+\frac{\beta}{1-\lambda} \theta^{n}\left(\lambda \rho\left(x, x_{0}\right)+\int_{\Omega} \rho\left(f\left(x_{0}, \omega\right), x_{0}\right) P(d \omega)+\rho\left(x, x_{0}\right)\right) \\
\leq & M \theta^{n}\left(1+\rho\left(x, x_{0}\right)+\int_{\Omega} \rho\left(f\left(x_{0}, \omega\right), x_{0}\right) P(d \omega)\right)
\end{array}
$$

Proof of Theorem 2.1. It follows from Lemmas 2.2-2.4 that formula (6) defines a continuous function $\varphi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and arguing like in the proof of Theorem 3.1(ii) of [5] (see also the calculations below) we show that it solves (1).

Assume now that also (7) holds. Then it follows from Lemmas 2.3 and 2.4 that formula (8) defines a continuous function $\varphi_{0}: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Applying (11), Lemma 2.4, the Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem and the Fubini theorem we observe that for every $x \in X$ the function $\varphi_{0} \circ f(x, \cdot)$ is integrable for $P$ and

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \int_{\Omega} \varphi_{0}(f(x, \omega)) P(d \omega)=\int_{\Omega} F(f(x, \omega)) P(d \omega) \\
& \quad+\int_{\Omega} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty}\left(\int_{X} F(z) \pi_{n}^{f}(f(x, \omega), d z)\right) P(d \omega)=\int_{X} F(z) \pi_{1}^{f}(x, d z) \\
& \quad+\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{\Omega}\left(\int_{\Omega^{\infty}} F\left(f^{n}\left(f\left(x, \omega_{1}\right), \omega_{2}, \omega_{3}, \ldots\right)\right) P^{\infty}\left(d\left(\omega_{2}, \omega_{3}, \ldots\right)\right)\right) P\left(d \omega_{1}\right) \\
& =\int_{X} F(z) \pi_{1}^{f}(x, d z)+\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{\Omega^{\infty}} F\left(f^{n+1}\left(x, \omega_{1}, \omega_{2}, \ldots\right)\right) P^{\infty}\left(d\left(\omega_{1}, \omega_{2}, \ldots\right)\right) \\
& =\int_{X} F(z) \pi_{1}^{f}(x, d z)+\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{X} F(z) \pi_{n+1}^{f}(x, d z)=\varphi_{0}(x)-F(x)
\end{aligned}
$$

Proposition 2.5. If $F$ is a real function on a metric space $X$ and

$$
\begin{equation*}
|F(x)-F(z)| \leq \beta \rho(x, z)^{\alpha} \quad \text { for } x, z \in X \tag{12}
\end{equation*}
$$

with some constants $\alpha \in(0,1), \beta \in[0, \infty)$, then $F \in \mathcal{F}(X)$.
Proof. Fix $L \in\left(1, \frac{1}{\lambda}\right)$, put

$$
\vartheta=L^{-\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}}, \quad \theta=\vartheta^{\frac{1}{\alpha}},
$$

and for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ let $A_{n}$ be a maximal for inclusion subset of $X$ such that

$$
\rho(x, z) \geq \theta^{n} \quad \text { for every pair of distinct points } x, z \text { of } A_{n} \text {. }
$$

By the maximality,

$$
X=\bigcup_{z \in A_{n}}\left\{x \in X: \rho(x, z)<\theta^{n}\right\} \quad \text { for } n \in \mathbb{N}
$$

If $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $x, z$ are distinct points of $A_{n}$, then by (12),

$$
|F(x)-F(z)| \leq \beta \rho(x, z)^{\alpha-1} \rho(x, z) \leq \beta \theta^{(\alpha-1) n} \rho(x, z)=\beta L^{n} \rho(x, z)
$$

It follows from this, using Kirszbraun-McShane extension theorem [7, Theorem 6.1.1], that for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ there exists an $F_{n}: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$
\left.F_{n}\right|_{A_{n}}=\left.F\right|_{A_{n}} \quad \text { and } \quad\left|F_{n}(x)-F_{n}(z)\right| \leq \beta L^{n} \rho(x, z) \quad \text { for } x, z \in X
$$

If $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $x \in X$, then there is a $z \in A_{n}$ such that $\rho(x, z)<\theta^{n}$, and

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left|F(x)-F_{n}(x)\right| \leq|F(x)-F(z)|+\left|F_{n}(z)-F_{n}(x)\right| \\
& \quad \leq \beta \rho(x, z)^{\alpha}+\beta L^{n} \rho(x, z) \\
& \quad \leq \beta \theta^{\alpha n}+\beta L^{n} \theta^{n}=2 \beta \vartheta^{n} .
\end{aligned}
$$

Corollary 2.6. Assume (H). If $F: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfies (12) with some constants $\alpha \in(0,1), \beta \in[0, \infty)$, then formula (6) defines a solution $\varphi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ of (1) such that

$$
|\varphi(x)-\varphi(z)| \leq \frac{\beta}{1-\lambda^{\alpha}} \rho(x, z)^{\alpha} \quad \text { for } x, z \in X
$$

and if additionally (7) holds, then formula (8) defines a solution $\varphi_{0}: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ of (2) such that

$$
\left|\varphi_{0}(x)-\varphi_{0}(z)\right| \leq \frac{\beta}{1-\lambda^{\alpha}} \rho(x, z)^{\alpha} \quad \text { for } x, z \in X
$$

Proof. By Proposition 2.5 and Theorem 2.1 formula (6) defines a solution $\varphi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ of (1). Using (6), (11), (12), Jensen's inequality and (10) for every $x, z \in X$ we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
& |\varphi(x)-\varphi(z)| \leq|F(x)-F(z)| \\
& \quad+\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{\Omega^{\infty}}\left|F\left(f^{n}(x, \omega)\right)-F\left(f^{n}(z, \omega)\right)\right| P^{\infty}(d \omega) \\
& \leq \beta \rho(x, z)^{\alpha}+\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{\Omega^{\infty}} \beta \rho\left(f^{n}(x, \omega), f^{n}(z, \omega)\right)^{\alpha} P^{\infty}(d \omega) \\
& \leq \beta \rho(x, z)^{\alpha}+\beta \sum_{n=1}^{\infty}\left(\int_{\Omega^{\infty}} \rho\left(f^{n}(x, \omega), f^{n}(z, \omega)\right) P^{\infty}(d \omega)\right)^{\alpha} \\
& \leq \beta \rho(x, z)^{\alpha}+\beta \sum_{n=1}^{\infty}\left(\lambda^{n} \rho(x, z)\right)^{\alpha}=\frac{\beta}{1-\lambda^{\alpha}} \rho(x, z)^{\alpha} .
\end{aligned}
$$

For the second part we argue similarly.
Regarding the uniqueness of solutions, we have the following theorem.
Theorem 2.7. Assume $(\mathrm{H})$ and let $F: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.
(i) If $\varphi_{1}, \varphi_{2} \in \mathcal{F}(X)$ are solutions of (1), then $\varphi_{1}=\varphi_{2}$.
(ii) If $\varphi_{1}, \varphi_{2} \in \mathcal{F}(X)$ are solutions of (2), then $\varphi_{1}-\varphi_{2}$ is a constant function.

Proof. Let $\varphi_{1}, \varphi_{2} \in \mathcal{F}(X)$ and put $\varphi=\varphi_{1}-\varphi_{2}$. Then $\varphi \in \mathcal{F}(X)$. Corresponding to $\varphi$ choose a sequence $\left(F_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of real functions on $X$ and constants $\vartheta \in(0,1), L \in\left(0, \frac{1}{\lambda}\right)$ and $\alpha, \beta \in(0, \infty)$ as in the definition of $\mathcal{F}(X)$.

If $\varphi_{1}, \varphi_{2}$ are solutions of (1), then $\varphi$ solves (1) with $F=0$, and, by induction,

$$
\varphi(x)=(-1)^{n} \int_{\Omega^{\infty}} \varphi\left(f^{n}(x, \omega)\right) P^{\infty}(d \omega) \quad \text { for } x \in X, n \in \mathbb{N} .
$$

If $\varphi_{1}, \varphi_{2}$ are solutions of (2), then $\varphi$ solves (2) with $F=0$, and

$$
\varphi(x)=\int_{\Omega^{\infty}} \varphi\left(f^{n}(x, \omega)\right) P^{\infty}(d \omega) \quad \text { for } x \in X, n \in \mathbb{N}
$$

In both cases

$$
|\varphi(x)-\varphi(z)| \leq \int_{\Omega^{\infty}}\left|\varphi\left(f^{n}(x, \omega)\right)-\varphi\left(f^{n}(z, \omega)\right)\right| P^{\infty}(d \omega)
$$

for $x, z \in X, n \in \mathbb{N}$. Moreover,

$$
\begin{aligned}
|\varphi(x)-\varphi(z)| & \leq\left|\varphi(x)-F_{n}(x)\right|+\left|F_{n}(x)-F_{n}(z)\right|+\left|F_{n}(z)-\varphi(z)\right| \\
& \leq 2 \alpha \vartheta^{n}+\left|F_{n}(x)-F_{n}(z)\right| \quad \text { for } x, z \in X, n \in \mathbb{N}
\end{aligned}
$$

Consequently, applying among others (10),

$$
\begin{aligned}
|\varphi(x)-\varphi(z)| & \leq 2 \alpha \vartheta^{n}+\int_{\Omega^{\infty}}\left|F_{n}\left(f^{n}(x, \omega)\right)-F_{n}\left(f^{n}(z, \omega)\right)\right| P^{\infty}(d \omega) \\
& \leq \beta L^{n} \lambda^{n} \rho(x, z) \quad \text { for } x, z \in X, n \in \mathbb{N}
\end{aligned}
$$

whence $\varphi(x)=\varphi(z)$ for $x, z \in X$, i.e., $\varphi$ is a constant function. Noting that if a constant $\varphi$ solves (1) with $F=0$, then $\varphi=0$, we end the proof.

We finish with a qualitative result.
Following [6] by Jens Peter Reus Christensen we say that a Borel subset $B$ of an abelian Polish group $G$ is a Haar zero set if there is a probability Borel measure $\mu$ on $G$ such that $\mu(B+x)=0$ for every $x \in G$. See also [8] where measurability in abelian Polish groups related to Christensen's Haar zero set is studied.

Assume
$\left(\mathrm{H}_{0}\right)(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, P)$ is a probability space, $(X, \rho)$ is a compact metric space, $f: X \times \Omega \rightarrow X$ is $\mathcal{B} \otimes \mathcal{A}$-measurable and (3) holds with a $\lambda \in(0,1)$.

Assuming $\left(\mathrm{H}_{0}\right)$ we have in particular (4):

$$
\int_{\Omega} \rho(f(x, \omega), x) P(d \omega) \leq \operatorname{diam}(X) \quad \text { for } x \in X
$$

Moreover one can consider the Banach space $C(X)$ of all continuous real functions on $X$ with the uniform norm and its subspace $C_{f}$,

$$
C_{f}=\left\{F \in C(X): \int_{X} F(x) \pi^{f}(d x)=0\right\} .
$$

Clearly $C_{f}$ is a closed linear subspace of $C(X)$ and (see, e.g., [7, Corollary 11.2.5]) $C(X)$ is a separable Banach space. We have also the following lemma.

Lemma 2.8. Assume $\left(\mathrm{H}_{0}\right)$. If $F: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous, then so is the function

$$
x \mapsto \int_{\Omega} F(f(x, \omega)) P(d \omega), \quad x \in X .
$$

Proof. Fix $\varepsilon \in(0, \infty)$ and choose $\delta \in(0, \infty)$ such that

$$
|F(x)-F(z)| \leq \varepsilon \quad \text { for } x, z \in X \text { with } \rho(x, z) \leq \delta
$$

Then, by (3), for all $x, z \in X$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left|\int_{\Omega} F(f(x, \omega)) P(d \omega)-\int_{\Omega} F(f(z, \omega)) P(d \omega)\right| \\
& \quad \leq \int_{\Omega}|F(f(x, \omega))-F(f(z, \omega))| P(d \omega) \\
& \quad \leq \varepsilon+\int_{\{\omega \in \Omega: \rho(f(x, \omega), f(z, \omega))>\delta\}}|F(f(x, \omega))-F(f(z, \omega))| P(d \omega) \\
& \quad \leq \varepsilon+2\|F\| P(\{\omega \in \Omega: \rho(f(x, \omega), f(z, \omega))>\delta\}) \\
& \quad \leq \varepsilon+2\|F\| \frac{1}{\delta} \int_{\Omega} \rho(f(x, \omega), f(z, \omega)) P(d \omega) \leq \varepsilon+\frac{2 \lambda\|F\|}{\delta} \rho(x, z)
\end{aligned}
$$

and therefore the discussed function is continuous.
Let

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathcal{F}_{1}=\{F \in C(X): \text { equation (1) has a continuous solution } \varphi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}, \\
& \mathcal{F}_{2}=\left\{F \in C_{f}: \text { equation }(2) \text { has a continuous solution } \varphi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\right\}
\end{aligned}
$$

Theorem 2.9. Under the assumptions $\left(\mathrm{H}_{0}\right)$ :
(i) $\mathcal{F}_{1}$ is a Borel and dense subset of $C(X)$, and if $\mathcal{F}_{1} \neq C(X)$, then $\mathcal{F}_{1}$ is of first category in $C(X)$ and a Haar zero subset of $C(X)$.
(ii) $\mathcal{F}_{2}$ is a Borel and dense subset of $C_{f}$, and if $\mathcal{F}_{2} \neq C_{f}$, then $\mathcal{F}_{2}$ is of first category in $C_{f}$ and a Haar zero subset of $C_{f}$.

Proof. By Lemma 2.8 the formulas

$$
\begin{aligned}
& T_{1}(\varphi)(x)=\varphi(x)+\int_{\Omega} \varphi(f(x, \omega)) P(d \omega) \\
& T_{2}(\varphi)(x)=\varphi(x)-\int_{\Omega} \varphi(f(x, \omega)) P(d \omega) \quad \text { for } \varphi \in C(X) \text { and } x \in X
\end{aligned}
$$

define self-mappings $T_{1}, T_{2}$ of $C(X)$. Clearly, these operators are linear and continuous. Moreover,

$$
T_{1}(C(X))=\mathcal{F}_{1}
$$

Furthermore, for every $F \in T_{2}(C(X))$ Eq. (2) has a continuous solution $\varphi$ : $X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Hence (II) gives $T_{2}(C(X)) \subset C_{f}$, and

$$
T_{2}(C(X))=\mathcal{F}_{2}
$$

Applying now [1, Lemma] we see that $\mathcal{F}_{1}$ is a Borel subset of $C(X)$, and if $\mathcal{F}_{1} \neq C(X)$, then $\mathcal{F}_{1}$ is of first category in $C(X)$ and a Haar zero subset of $C(X)$, and $\mathcal{F}_{2}$ is a Borel subset of $C_{f}$, and if $\mathcal{F}_{2} \neq C_{f}$, then $\mathcal{F}_{2}$ is of first category in $C_{f}$ and a Haar zero subset of $C_{f}$.

Since by (I) the set

$$
\{F \in C(X): F \text { is Lipschitz }\}
$$

is contained in $\mathcal{F}_{1}$ and (see [7, Theorem 11.2.4]) dense in $C(X)$, the set $\mathcal{F}_{1}$ is dense in $C(X)$.

To show that $\mathcal{F}_{2}$ is dense in $C_{f}$, fix $F \in C_{f}$ and $\varepsilon \in(0, \infty)$. Choose a Lipschitz $F_{1}: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ so that $\left\|F-F_{1}\right\|<\frac{\varepsilon}{2}$. According to (III), $F_{1}-$ $\int_{X} F_{1} d \pi^{f} \in \mathcal{F}_{2}$. Moreover,

$$
\left\|F-\left(F_{1}-\int_{X} F_{1} d \pi^{f}\right)\right\| \leq\left\|F-F_{1}\right\|+\left|\int_{X} F_{1} d \pi^{f}-\int_{X} F d \pi^{f}\right|<\varepsilon
$$

Remark 2.10. It is possible that $\left(\mathrm{H}_{0}\right)$ holds and $\mathcal{F}_{1}=C(X), \mathcal{F}_{2}=C_{f}$.
To see it consider an $\mathcal{A}$-measurable $\xi: \Omega \rightarrow X$ and let $f(x, \omega)=\xi(\omega)$ for $(x, \omega) \in X \times \Omega$. Then $f^{n}(x, \omega)=\xi\left(\omega_{n}\right)$ for $(x, \omega) \in X \times \Omega^{\infty}$, so $\pi_{n}^{f}(x, B)=$ $P(\xi \in B)=\pi^{f}(B)$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}, x \in X, B \in \mathcal{B}$, and $\int_{X} F d \pi^{f}=\int_{\Omega}^{n} F \circ \xi d P$ for $F \in C(X)$. Consequently for every $F \in C(X)$ the function $F-\frac{1}{2} \int_{X} F d \pi^{f}$ solves (1), and every $F \in C_{f}$ solves (2).

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