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Relations among Gauge and Pettis integrals for $cwk(X)$ -valued multifunctions

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15 **1 Introduction**

16 A large amount of work about measurable and integrable multifunctions was done in the
 17 last decades. Some pioneering and highly influential ideas and notions around the matter
 18 were inspired by problems arising in Control Theory and Mathematical Economics. But the
 19 topic is interesting also from the point of view of measure and integration theory, as showed
 20 in the papers [2, 3, 8, 9, 11, 12, 18–20, 29, 31–34, 37, 38]. In particular, comparison of different
 21 generalizations of Lebesgue integral is, in our opinion, one of the milestones of the modern
 22 theory of integration. Inspired by [6, 7, 10, 12, 13, 19, 24, 39], we continue in this paper the
 23 study on this subject and we examine relationship among “gauge integrals” (Henstock, Mc
 24 Shane, Birkhoff) and Pettis integral of multifunctions whose values are weakly compact and
 25 convex subsets of a general Banach space, not necessarily separable.

26 The name “gauge integrals” refers to integrals defined through partitions controlled by a
 27 positive function, traditionally named gauge. J. Kurzweil in 1957 and then R. Henstock in
 28 1963 were the first who introduced a definition of a gauge integral for real-valued functions,
 29 called now the Henstock–Kurzweil integral. Its generalization to vector-valued functions or
 30 to multivalued functions is called in the literature the Henstock integral. In the family of
 31 the gauge integrals, there is also the McShane integral and the versions of the Henstock
 32 and the McShane integrals when only measurable gauges are allowed (\mathcal{H} and \mathcal{M} integrals,
 33 respectively), and the variational Henstock and the variational McShane integrals. Moreover
 34 according to [41] and [39, Remark 1], the Birkhoff integral is a gauge integral too and it turns
 35 out to be equivalent to the \mathcal{M} integral.

36 The main results of the paper are the existence of variationally Henstock integrable selec-
 37 tions (Theorem 5.1), which solves the problem of the existence of variationally Henstock
 38 integrable selection for a $ckw(X)$ -valued variationally Henstock integrable multifunction (
 39 [6, Question 3.11]) and three decomposition theorems (Theorems 3.2, 4.2, 5.3). The first one
 40 says that each Henstock integrable multifunction is the sum of a McShane integrable mul-
 41 tifunction and a Henstock integrable function. The second one describes each \mathcal{H} -integrable
 42 multifunction as the sum of a Birkhoff integrable multifunction and an \mathcal{H} -integrable func-
 43 tion, and the third one proves that each variationally Henstock integrable multifunction is
 44 the sum of a variationally Henstock integrable selection of the multifunction and a Birkhoff
 45 integrable multifunction that is also variationally Henstock integrable. As applications of
 46 such decomposition results, characterizations of Henstock (Theorem 3.3) and \mathcal{H} (Theorem
 47 4.3) integrable multifunctions are presented as extensions of the result given by Fremlin, in
 48 the remarkable paper [22, Theorem 8], and of more recent results given in [6, 19].

49 Finally, we want to point out that in order to obtain the decomposition theorems and also
 50 the extension of the Fremlin result is not enough simply to apply the embedding theorem of
 51 Rådström, but more sophisticated techniques are required.

52 **2 Preliminary facts**

53 Let $[0, 1] \subset \mathbb{R}$ be endowed with the usual topology and Lebesgue measure λ . The family
 54 of all Lebesgue measurable subsets of $[0, 1]$ is denoted by \mathcal{L} , while \mathcal{I} is the collection of all
 55 closed subintervals of $[0, 1]$. If $I \in \mathcal{I}$, then its Lebesgue measure will be denoted by $|I|$.

56 A finite partition \mathcal{P} in $[0, 1]$ is a collection $\{(I_1, t_1), \dots, (I_m, t_m)\}$, where I_1, \dots, I_m
 57 are nonoverlapping (i.e., the intersection of two intervals is at most a singleton) closed
 58 subintervals of $[0, 1]$, t_i is a point of $[0, 1]$, $i = 1, \dots, m$. If $\cup_{i=1}^m I_i = [0, 1]$, then \mathcal{P} is a
 59 partition of $[0, 1]$.

60 If $t_i \in I_i, i = 1, \dots, m$, we say that \mathcal{P} is a *Perron partition* of $[0, 1]$.

61 A countable partition $(A_n)_n$ of $[0, 1]$ in \mathcal{L} is a collection of pairwise disjoint \mathcal{L} -measurable
 62 sets such that $\cup_n A_n = [0, 1]$; we admit empty sets.

63 A gauge on $[0, 1]$ is any strictly positive map on $[0, 1]$. Given a gauge δ , we say that a
 64 partition $\{(I_1, t_1), \dots, (I_m, t_m)\}$ is δ -fine if $I_i \subset (t_i - \delta(t_i), t_i + \delta(t_i)), i = 1, \dots, m$. Π_δ
 65 and Π_δ^P are the families of δ -fine partitions, and δ -fine Perron partitions of $[0, 1]$, respectively.

66 X is an arbitrary Banach space with its dual X^* . The closed unit ball of X^* is denoted by
 67 B_{X^*} . As usual $cwk(X)$ denotes the family of all nonempty convex weakly compact subsets of
 68 X ; on this hyperspace, the usual Minkowski addition and the multiplication by positive scalars
 69 are considered, together with the Hausdorff distance d_H . Moreover, $\|A\| := \sup\{\|x\| : x \in$
 70 $A\}$. The support function $s: X^* \times cwk(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined by $s(x^*, C) := \sup\{x^*(x) : x \in$
 71 $C\}$.

72 **Definition 2.1** A map $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow cwk(X)$ is called a *multifunction*. Γ is *simple* if there
 73 exists a finite collection $\{A_1, \dots, A_p\}$ of measurable pairwise disjoint subsets of $[0, 1]$ such
 74 that Γ is constant on each A_j .

75 A map $\Gamma : \mathcal{I} \rightarrow cwk(X)$ is called an *interval multifunction*. A multifunction $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow$
 76 $cwk(X)$ is said to be *scalarly measurable* if for every $x^* \in X^*$, the map $s(x^*, \Gamma(\cdot))$ is
 77 measurable.

78 Γ is said to be *Bochner measurable* if there exists a sequence of simple multifunctions
 79 $\Gamma_n : [0, 1] \rightarrow cwk(X)$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_H(\Gamma_n(t), \Gamma(t)) = 0$ for almost all $t \in [0, 1]$.

80 It is well known that Bochner measurability of a $cwk(X)$ -valued multifunction yields its
 81 scalar measurability. The reverse implication in general fails, even if X is separable (see [6,
 82 p. 295 and Example 3.8]).

83 If a multifunction is a function, then we use the traditional name of strong measurability
 84 instead of Bochner measurability.

85 A function $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ is called a *selection* of Γ if $f(t) \in \Gamma(t)$, for every $t \in [0, 1]$.

86 **Definition 2.2** A multifunction $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow cwk(X)$ is said to be *Birkhoff integrable* on
 87 $[0, 1]$, if there exists a set $\Phi_\Gamma([0, 1]) \in cwk(X)$ with the following property: For every
 88 $\varepsilon > 0$, there is a countable partition \mathcal{P}_0 of $[0, 1]$ in \mathcal{L} such that for every countable partition
 89 $\mathcal{P} = (A_n)_n$ of $[0, 1]$ in \mathcal{L} finer than \mathcal{P}_0 and any choice $T = \{t_n : t_n \in A_n, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$, the series
 90 $\sum_n \lambda(A_n)\Gamma(t_n)$ is unconditionally convergent (in the sense of the Hausdorff metric) and

$$91 \quad d_H\left(\Phi_\Gamma([0, 1]), \sum_n \Gamma(t_n)\lambda(A_n)\right) < \varepsilon. \tag{1}$$

92 (see for example [11, Proposition 2.6]).

93 **Definition 2.3** A multifunction $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow cwk(X)$ is said to be *Henstock* (resp. *McShane*)
 94 *integrable* on $[0, 1]$, if there exists $\Phi_\Gamma([0, 1]) \in cwk(X)$ with the property that for every
 95 $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a gauge δ on $[0, 1]$ such that for each $\{(I_1, t_1), \dots, (I_p, t_p)\} \in \Pi_\delta^P$ (resp.
 96 $\in \Pi_\delta$) we have

$$97 \quad d_H\left(\Phi_\Gamma([0, 1]), \sum_{i=1}^p \Gamma(t_i)|I_i|\right) < \varepsilon. \tag{2}$$

Γ is said to be *Henstock* (resp. *McShane*) *integrable* on $I \in \mathcal{I}$ ($E \in \mathcal{L}$) if $\Gamma 1_I$ ($\Gamma 1_E$) is integrable on $[0, 1]$ in the corresponding sense.

In case the multifunction is a single-valued function, and X is the real line, the corresponding integral is called *Henstock–Kurzweil integral* (or *HK-integral*) and it is denoted by the symbol $(HK) \int_I$.

Remark 2.4 If the gauges above considered are taken to be measurable, then we speak of \mathcal{H} (resp. \mathcal{M})-integrability on $[0, 1]$.

Given $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow cwk(X)$, it is known that the property of integrability is inherited on every $I \in \mathcal{I}$ if Γ is Henstock (\mathcal{H}) integrable on $[0, 1]$, while the same is true for every $E \in \mathcal{L}$ when Γ is McShane (\mathcal{M}) integrable on $[0, 1]$ (see, e.g., [19]).

As pointed out before, in case of single-valued functions, according to [41] and [39, Remark 1], \mathcal{M} -integrability is equivalent to the Birkhoff integrability.

Definition 2.5 A multifunction $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow cwk(X)$ is said to be *Henstock–Kurzweil–Pettis integrable* (or *HKP-integrable*) on $[0, 1]$ if for every $x^* \in X^*$ the map $s(x^*, \Gamma(\cdot))$ is HK-integrable and for each $I \in \mathcal{I}$ there exists a set $W_I \in cwk(X)$ such that $s(x^*, W_I) = (HK) \int_I s(x^*, \Gamma)$, for every $x^* \in X^*$. The set W_I is called the *Henstock–Kurzweil–Pettis integral* of Γ over I , and we set $W_I := (HKP) \int_I \Gamma$.

In the previous definition, if HK-integral is replaced by Lebesgue integral and intervals by Lebesgue measurable sets, then we get the definition of the Pettis integral.

For more detailed properties of the integrals involved and for all that is unexplained in this paper, we refer to [12, 18, 19, 26, 35–38].

Definition 2.6 An interval multifunction $\Phi : \mathcal{I} \rightarrow cwk(X)$ is said to be *finitely additive*, if $\Phi(I_1 \cup I_2) = \Phi(I_1) + \Phi(I_2)$ for every nonoverlapping intervals $I_1, I_2 \in \mathcal{I}$ such that $I_1 \cup I_2 \in \mathcal{I}$. In this case, Φ is said to be an *interval multimeasure*.

A map $M : \mathcal{L} \rightarrow cwk(X)$ is said to be a *multimeasure* if for every $x^* \in X^*$, the map $\mathcal{L} \ni A \mapsto s(x^*, M(A))$ is a real-valued measure (cf. [28, Theorem 8.4.10]).

$M : \mathcal{L} \rightarrow cwk(X)$ is said to be a *d_H -multimeasure* if for every sequence $(A_n)_{n \geq 1}$ in \mathcal{L} of pairwise disjoint sets with $A = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} A_n$, we have

$$d_H \left(M(A), \sum_{k=1}^n M(A_k) \right) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow +\infty.$$

A multimeasure $M : \mathcal{L} \rightarrow cwk(X)$ is said to be *λ -continuous*, and we write $M \ll \lambda$, if $M(A) = \{0\}$ for every $A \in \mathcal{L}$ such that $\lambda(A) = 0$.

Remark 2.7 It is well known that M is a d_H -multimeasure if and only if it is a multimeasure (cf. [28, Theorem 8.4.10]). Observe moreover that this is a multivalued analogue of Orlicz–Pettis Theorem. It is also known that the indefinite integrals of Henstock or \mathcal{H} integrable multifunctions are interval multimeasures, while the indefinite integrals of Pettis (hence also McShane or Birkhoff) integrable multifunctions are multimeasures.

Definition 2.8 A multifunction $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow cwk(X)$ is said to be *variationally Henstock* (*McShane*) *integrable*, if there exists an interval multimeasure $\Phi_\Gamma : \mathcal{I} \rightarrow cwk(X)$ with the following property: For every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a gauge δ on $[0, 1]$ such that for each $\{(I_1, t_1), \dots, (I_p, t_p)\} \in \Pi_\delta^P$ (resp. Π_δ), we have

$$\sum_{j=1}^p d_H(\Phi_\Gamma(I_j), \Gamma(t_j)|I_j) < \varepsilon. \quad (3)$$

139 We write then $(vH) \int_0^1 \Gamma dt := \Phi_\Gamma([0, 1])$ ($(vMS) \int_0^1 \Gamma dt := \Phi_\Gamma([0, 1])$). The set multi-
 140 function Φ_Γ will be called the *variational Henstock (McShane) primitive* of Γ .

141 The variational integrals on a set $I \in \mathcal{I}$ can be defined in an analogous way, and they
 142 are uniquely determined. It has been proven in [6, Proposition 2.8] that each variationally
 143 Henstock integrable multifunction $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow cwk(X)$ is Bochner measurable.

144 Important tools for the study of multifunctions are embeddings and variational measures.
 145 Let $l_\infty(B_{X^*})$ be the Banach space of bounded real-valued functions defined on B_{X^*} endowed
 146 with the supremum norm $\|\cdot\|_\infty$. The Rådström embedding $i : cwk(X) \ni W \rightarrow s(\cdot, W)$, allows to consider G-integrable
 147 multifunctions $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow cwk(X)$ as G-integrable functions $i \circ \Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow l_\infty(B_{X^*})$.
 148 Thanks to the embedding, a multifunction Γ is G-integrable if and only if its image $i \circ \Gamma$ in
 149 $l_\infty(B_{X^*})$ is G-integrable (G stands for any of the gauge integrals).

150 For what concerns the variational measure we recall that

151 **Definition 2.9** The *variational measure* $V_\Phi : \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ generated by an interval multimeasure
 152 $\Phi : \mathcal{I} \rightarrow cwk(X)$ is defined by

$$153 \quad V_\Phi(E) := \inf_{\delta} \{Var(\Phi, \delta, E) : \delta \text{ is a gauge on } E\},$$

154 where

$$155 \quad Var(\Phi, \delta, E) = \sup \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^p \|\Phi(I_j)\| : \{(I_j, t_j)\}_{j=1}^p \in \Pi_\delta^p \text{ and } t_j \in E, j = 1, \dots, p. \right\}$$

156 For other properties, we refer to [5, 6, 20].

157 We also remember that for a Pettis integrable mapping $G : [0, 1] \rightarrow cwk(X)$, its integral
 158 J_G is a multimeasure on the σ -algebra \mathcal{L} (cf. [13, Theorem 4.1]) that is λ -continuous. As
 159 also observed in [13, section 3], this means that the *embedded* measure $i(J_G)$ is a countably
 160 additive measure with values in $l_\infty(B_{X^*})$.

161 We recall that

162 **Definition 2.10** [39, Definition 2] A function $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ is said to be *Riemann mea-*
 163 *asurable* on $[0, 1]$ if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exist an $\eta > 0$ and a closed set $F \subset [0, 1]$
 164 with $\lambda([0, 1] \setminus F) < \varepsilon$ such that $\|\sum_{i=1}^p \{f(t_i) - f(t'_i)\} |I_i|\| < \varepsilon$ whenever $\{I_i\}$ is a finite
 165 collection of pairwise nonoverlapping intervals with $\max_{1 \leq i \leq p} |I_i| < \eta$ and $t_i, t'_i \in I_i \cap F$.

166 According to [39, Theorem 4], each \mathcal{H} -integrable function is Riemann measurable on $[0, 1]$.
 167 Moreover in [10, Theorem 9] it was proved that a function $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ is \mathcal{M} -integrable
 168 if and only if f is both Riemann measurable and Pettis integrable. So we get the following
 169 characterization, that is parallel to Fremlin's description [22]:

170 **Theorem 2.11** A function $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ is Birkhoff integrable if and only if it is \mathcal{H} -
 171 integrable and Pettis integrable.

172 *Proof* The only if part is trivial. For the converse observe that \mathcal{H} -integrability implies Rie-
 173 mann measurability by [39, Theorem 4]. Moreover by [22, Theorem 8] f is Mc Shane
 174 integrable, and Riemann measurability together with Mc Shane integrability implies \mathcal{M} -
 175 integrability by [39, Theorem 7]. □

176 We denote by $S_P(\Gamma), S_{MS}(\Gamma), S_{\mathcal{H}}(\Gamma), S_H(\Gamma), S_{Bi}(\Gamma) = S_{\mathcal{M}}(\Gamma)$ and $S_{vH}(\Gamma)$,
 177 the collections of all selections of $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow cwk(X)$, which are, respectively, Pettis,
 178 McShane, \mathcal{H} , Henstock, Birkhoff and variationally Henstock integrable.

3 Henstock and McShane integrability of $cwk(X)$ -valued multifunctions

Proposition 3.1 Let $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow cwk(X)$ be such that $\Gamma(\cdot) \ni 0$ a.e. If Γ is Henstock integrable (resp. \mathcal{H} -integrable) on $[0, 1]$, then it is also McShane (resp. Birkhoff, i.e., \mathcal{M}) integrable on $[0, 1]$.

Proof Let i be the Rådström embedding of $cwk(X)$ into $l_\infty(B_{X^*})$. If Γ is Henstock integrable, then we just have to prove that $i \circ \Gamma$ is McShane integrable. By the hypothesis, we have that $i \circ \Gamma$ is Henstock integrable. Then, thanks to [22, Corollary 9 (iii)], it will be sufficient to prove convergence in $l_\infty(B_{X^*})$ of all series of the type $\sum_n (H) \int_{I_n} i \circ \Gamma$, where $(I_n)_n$ is any sequence of pairwise nonoverlapping subintervals of $[0, 1]$.

But Γ is HKP-integrable and $s(x^*, \Gamma) \geq 0$ a.e. for every $x^* \in X^*$. It follows from [18, Lemma 1] that Γ is Pettis integrable. Consequently, the range of the indefinite Pettis integral of Γ via the Rådström embedding is a vector measure. This fact guarantees the convergence of the series $\sum_n (H) \int_{I_n} i \circ \Gamma$, since $(P) \int_I \Gamma = (H) \int_I \Gamma$ and $i \circ ((H) \int_I \Gamma) = (H) \int_I i \circ \Gamma$, for every $I \in \mathcal{I}$.

As said before, thanks to [22, Corollary 9 (iii)], $i \circ \Gamma$ is McShane integrable. Consequently, Γ is McShane integrable.

If Γ is \mathcal{H} -integrable, then $i \circ \Gamma$ is \mathcal{H} -integrable and being already McShane integrable, it is also Pettis integrable [22, Theorem 8]. Applying now Theorem 2.11, we obtain Birkhoff integrability of $i \circ \Gamma$. This yields Birkhoff integrability of Γ . \square

Observe that from this proposition it follows that if Γ is Henstock integrable and $\Gamma(\cdot) \ni 0$ a.e., then $i \circ \Gamma$ is Pettis. We remember that the relation between Pettis integrability of Γ and $i \circ \Gamma$ is delicate question and it is examined, for example, in [12].

Theorem 3.2 Let $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow cwk(X)$ be a multifunction. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i) Γ is Henstock integrable;
- (ii) $\mathcal{S}_H(\Gamma) \neq \emptyset$ and for every $f \in \mathcal{S}_H(\Gamma)$ the multifunction $\Gamma - f$ is McShane integrable;
- (iii) there exists $f \in \mathcal{S}_H(\Gamma)$ such that the multifunction $G := \Gamma - f$ is McShane integrable.

Proof (i) \Rightarrow (ii) According to [19, Theorem 3.1] $\mathcal{S}_H(\Gamma) \neq \emptyset$. Let $f \in \mathcal{S}_H(\Gamma)$ be fixed. Then $\Gamma - f$ is also Henstock integrable (in $cwk(X)$) and $0 \in \Gamma - f$ for every $t \in [0, 1]$. By Proposition 3.1, the multifunction $\Gamma - f$ is McShane integrable. Since each McShane integrable multifunction is also Henstock integrable, (ii) \Rightarrow (iii) is trivial, (iii) \Rightarrow (i) follows at once. \square

The next result generalizes [19, Theorem 3.4], proved there for $cwk(X)$ -valued multifunctions with compact valued integrals.

Theorem 3.3 Let $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow cwk(X)$ be a multifunction. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i) Γ is McShane integrable;
- (ii) Γ is Henstock integrable and $\mathcal{S}_H(\Gamma) \subset \mathcal{S}_{MS}(\Gamma)$;
- (iii) Γ is Henstock integrable and $\mathcal{S}_H(\Gamma) \subset \mathcal{S}_P(\Gamma)$;
- (iv) Γ is Henstock integrable and $\mathcal{S}_P(\Gamma) \neq \emptyset$;
- (v) Γ is Henstock and Pettis integrable.

221 *Proof* (i) \Rightarrow (ii) Pick $f \in \mathcal{S}_H(\Gamma)$; then, according to Theorem 3.2, $\Gamma = G + f$ for a
 222 McShane integrable G . But as Γ is Pettis integrable, also f is Pettis integrable (cf. [37,
 223 Corollary 1.5], [13, Corollary 2.3]). In view of [22, Theorem 8], f is McShane integrable.

224 (ii) \Rightarrow (iii) is valid, because each McShane integrable function is also Pettis integrable
 225 ([23, Theorem 2C]).

226 (iii) \Rightarrow (iv) In view of [19, Theorem 3.1] $\mathcal{S}_H(\Gamma) \neq \emptyset$ and so (iii) implies $\mathcal{S}_P(\Gamma) \neq \emptyset$.

227 (iv) \Rightarrow (v) Take $f \in \mathcal{S}_P(\Gamma)$. Since Γ is Henstock integrable, it is also HKP-integrable
 228 and so applying [18, Theorem 2], we obtain a representation $\Gamma = G + f$, where $G : [0, 1] \rightarrow$
 229 $ckw(X)$ is Pettis integrable in $ckw(X)$. Consequently, Γ is also Pettis integrable in $ckw(X)$
 230 and so (v) holds.

231 (v) \Rightarrow (i) In virtue of [19, Theorem 3.1] Γ has a McShane integrable selection f . It
 232 follows from Theorem 3.2 that the multifunction $G : [0, 1] \rightarrow ckw(X)$ defined by $\Gamma(t) =$
 233 $G(t) + f(t)$ is McShane integrable. □

234 4 Birkhoff and \mathcal{H} -integrability of $ckw(X)$ -valued multifunctions

235 A quick analysis of the proof of [19, Theorem 3.1] proves the following:

236 **Proposition 4.1** *If $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow ckw(X)$ is \mathcal{H} -integrable, then $\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}}(\Gamma) \neq \emptyset$. If $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow$
 237 $ckw(X)$ is Pettis and \mathcal{H} -integrable, then $\mathcal{S}_{Bi}(\Gamma) \neq \emptyset$.*

238 As a consequence, we have the following result:

239 **Theorem 4.2** *Let $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow ckw(X)$ be a multifunction. Then the following conditions
 240 are equivalent:*

- 241 (i) Γ is \mathcal{H} -integrable;
- 242 (ii) $\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}}(\Gamma) \neq \emptyset$ and for every $f \in \mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}}(\Gamma)$ the multifunction $\Gamma - f$ is Birkhoff integrable;
- 243 (iii) there exists $f \in \mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}}(\Gamma)$ such that the multifunction $\Gamma - f$ is Birkhoff integrable.

244 *Proof* (i) \Rightarrow (ii) Instead of [19, Theorem 3.1] we apply Proposition 4.1. The remaining
 245 implications are trivial. □

246 Applying Theorems 4.2 and 2.11, we have the following:

247 **Theorem 4.3** *Let $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow ckw(X)$ be a multifunction. Then the following conditions
 248 are equivalent:*

- 249 (i) Γ is Birkhoff integrable;
- 250 (ii) Γ is \mathcal{H} -integrable and $\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}}(\Gamma) \subset \mathcal{S}_{Bi}(\Gamma)$.
- 251 (iii) Γ is \mathcal{H} -integrable and $\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}}(\Gamma) \subset \mathcal{S}_{MS}(\Gamma)$.
- 252 (iv) Γ is \mathcal{H} -integrable and $\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}}(\Gamma) \subset \mathcal{S}_P(\Gamma)$;
- 253 (v) Γ is \mathcal{H} -integrable and $\mathcal{S}_P(\Gamma) \neq \emptyset$.
- 254 (vi) Γ is Pettis and \mathcal{H} -integrable.

255 *Proof* (i) \Rightarrow (ii) If $f \in \mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}}(\Gamma)$, then, according to Theorem 4.2, $\Gamma = G + f$ for a Birkhoff
 256 integrable G . But as Γ is Pettis integrable, also f is Pettis integrable (cf. [13, Corollary 2.3],
 257 [37, Corollary 1.5]). In view of Theorem 2.11, f is Birkhoff integrable.

258 (ii) \Rightarrow (iii) \Rightarrow (iv) are valid, because each Birkhoff integrable function is McShane
 259 integrable ([21, Proposition 4]) and each McShane integrable function is also Pettis integrable
 260 ([23, Theorem 2C]).

(iv) \Rightarrow (v) In view of Proposition 4.1 $\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}}(\Gamma) \neq \emptyset$ and so (iii) implies $\mathcal{S}_P(\Gamma) \neq \emptyset$.

(v) \Rightarrow (vi) Take $f \in \mathcal{S}_P(\Gamma)$. Since Γ is \mathcal{H} -integrable, it is also HKP-integrable and so applying [18, Theorem 2], we obtain a representation $\Gamma = G + f$, where $G : [0, 1] \rightarrow cwk(X)$ is Pettis integrable in $cwk(X)$. Consequently, Γ is also Pettis integrable in $cwk(X)$ and so (v) holds.

(vi) \Rightarrow (i) In virtue of Proposition 4.1, Γ has a Birkhoff integrable selection f . It follows from Theorem 4.2 that the multifunction $G : [0, 1] \rightarrow cwk(X)$ defined by $G := \Gamma - f$ is Birkhoff integrable. \square

5 Variationally Henstock integrable selections

Now, in order to examine [6, Question 3.11], we are going to consider the existence of variationally Henstock integrable selections for a variationally Henstock integrable multifunction $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow cwk(X)$. In particular, we extend [6, Theorem 3.12] which gives only a partial answer, and we remove the hypothesis that X has the Radon–Nikodým property or the hypothesis $\mathcal{S}_{vH} \neq \emptyset$ in the theorems of decomposition arising from the previous quoted result; so we give a complete answer to the open question.

First of all we give the following result which extends [6, Theorem 3.12].

Theorem 5.1 *Let $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow cwk(X)$ be any variationally Henstock integrable multifunction. Then $\mathcal{S}_{vH} \neq \emptyset$ and every strongly measurable selection of Γ is also variationally Henstock integrable.*

Proof Let us notice first that Γ is Bochner measurable and so it possesses strongly measurable selections [6, Proposition 3.3] (the quoted result is a consequence of [27]). Let f be a strongly measurable selection of Γ . Then f is Henstock–Kurzweil–Pettis integrable, and the mapping G defined by $G := \Gamma - f$ is Pettis integrable: see [18, Theorem 1]. Since Γ is vH-integrable, then Γ is Bochner measurable ([6, Proposition 2.8]). As the difference of $i(\Gamma)$ and $i(\{f\})$, the function $i(G)$ is strongly measurable, together with G . Therefore, G has essentially d_H -separable range (that is, there is $E \in \mathcal{L}$, with $\lambda([0, 1] \setminus E) = 0$ and $G(E)$ is d_H -separable) and so $i(G)$ is also Pettis integrable (see [11, Theorem 3.4 and Lemma 3.3 and their proofs]).

Now, since Γ is variationally Henstock integrable, the variational measure V_ϕ associated with the vH-integral of Γ is absolutely continuous (see [40, Proposition 3.3.1]). If V_ψ is associated with the Henstock–Kurzweil–Pettis integral of f , then $V_\psi \leq V_\phi$ and so it is also absolutely continuous with respect to λ . Since $\|G\| \leq \|\Gamma\| + \|f\|$, it is clear that also V_G is λ -continuous.

Then, $i(G)$ satisfies all the hypotheses of [5, Corollary 4.1], and therefore, it is variationally Henstock integrable. But then $i(\{f\})$ is too, as the difference of $i(\Gamma)$ and $i(G)$, and finally f is variationally Henstock integrable. \square

Remark 5.2 At this point, it is worth to observe that the thesis of Theorem 5.1 holds true only for strongly measurable selections of Γ . In general, Γ may have scalarly measurable selections which are neither strongly measurable nor even Henstock integrable (see [6, Proposition 3.2] and [1, Theorem 3.7]).

A decomposition result, similar to Theorem 4.2, can be formulated now. It is also given in [7, Corollary 3.5] but with a different proof.

Theorem 5.3 ([7, Corollary 3.5]) *Let $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow cwk(X)$ be a variationally Henstock integrable multifunction. Then Γ is the sum of a variationally Henstock integrable selection f*

304 and a Birkhoff integrable multifunction $G : [0, 1] \rightarrow cwk(X)$ that is variationally Henstock
 305 integrable.

306 *Proof* Let f be any variationally Henstock integrable selection of Γ . Then, as previously
 307 proved, Γ is Bochner measurable, f is strongly measurable and the variational measures
 308 associated with their integral functions are λ -continuous. Moreover, f is HKP-integrable,
 309 and, according to [18, Theorem 1], the multifunction G , defined by $G := \Gamma - f$, is Pettis
 310 integrable. Since Γ and f are variationally Henstock integrable, the same holds true for G .
 311 Hence, also $i(G)$ is variationally Henstock integrable and, consequently, by [6, Proposition
 312 4.1], G is also Birkhoff integrable. \square

313 *Remark 5.4* There is now an obvious question: Let $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow cwk(X)$ be a variation-
 314 ally Henstock integrable multifunction. Does there exist a variationally Henstock integrable
 315 selection f of Γ such that $G := \Gamma - f$ is variationally McShane integrable?

316 Unfortunately, in general, the answer is negative. The argument is similar to that applied
 317 in [17]. Assume that X is separable and g is the X -valued function constructed in [15] that is
 318 vH (and so strongly measurable by [6, Proposition 2.8]), Pettis but not vMS-integrable (see
 319 [15]). Let $\Gamma(t) := \text{conv}\{0, g(t)\}$. Then, Γ is vH-integrable (see [6, Example 4.7]), but it is
 320 not vMS-integrable ([6, Theorem 3.7] or [6, Example 4.7]) and possesses at least one vH-
 321 integrable selection by Theorem 5.1. Let now $f \in S_{vH}(\Gamma)$ and consider the multifunction
 322 $G = \Gamma - f$. Clearly G is vH-integrable and $G(t) = \text{conv}\{-f(t), g(t) - f(t)\}$ for all
 323 $t \in [0, 1]$. If we suppose that G is variationally McShane integrable, then its selections
 324 $-f, g - f$ will be Bochner integrable since they are strongly measurable and dominated by
 325 $\|G\|$, but that would mean that g is Bochner integrable, contrary to the assumption. \square

326 The next theorems 5.5 extend [6, Theorems 4.3, 4.4]. In fact we can remove the hypothesis
 327 $S_{vH}(\Gamma) \neq \emptyset$ thanks to Theorem 5.1 and [6, Proposition 3.6]. Its proof is the same of the
 328 quoted results in [6].

329 **Theorem 5.5** Let $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow cwk(X)$ be a vH-integrable multifunction. Then the follow-
 330 ing equivalences hold true:

$$331 \quad S_{vH}(\Gamma) \subset S_{MS}(\Gamma) \iff S_{vH}(\Gamma) \subset S_P(\Gamma) \iff S_P(\Gamma) \neq \emptyset \iff$$

$$332 \quad \Gamma \text{ is Pettis integrable} \iff \Gamma \text{ is McShane integrable}$$

333 Moreover if Γ is also integrably bounded, then all the previous statements are equivalent to
 334 the variational McShane integrability of Γ .

335 So, in particular

336 **Corollary 5.6** A function $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ is variationally McShane integrable (= Bochner
 337 integrable, cf. [16]) if and only if it is variationally Henstock integrable and integrably
 338 bounded.

339 6 Variational \mathcal{H} -integral

340 Recently, Naralenkov introduced stronger forms of Henstock and McShane integrals of func-
 341 tions and called them \mathcal{H} and \mathcal{M} integrals. We apply that idea to variational integrals. Since the
 342 variational McShane integral of functions coincides with Bochner integral, the same holds
 343 true for the \mathcal{M} -integral. In case of the variational \mathcal{H} -integral, the situation is not as obvious,

344 but we shall prove in this section that the variational \mathcal{H} -integral coincides with the variational
 345 Henstock integral. We begin with the following strengthening of the Riemann measurability,
 346 due to [39].

347 **Definition 6.1** We say that a function $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ is *strongly Riemann measurable*,
 348 if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exist a positive number η and a closed set $F \subset [0, 1]$ such that
 349 $\lambda([0, 1] \setminus F) < \varepsilon$ and $\sum_{k=1}^K \|f(t_k) - f(t'_k)\| \cdot |I_k| < \varepsilon$ whenever $\{I_1, \dots, I_K\}$ is a nonover-
 350 lapping finite family of subintervals of $[0, 1]$ with $\max_k |I_k| < \eta$ and, all points t_k, t'_k
 351 are chosen in $I_k \cap F, k = 1, \dots, K$.

352 **Lemma 6.2** *If $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ is strongly measurable, then f is strongly Riemann measur-*
 353 *able.*

354 *Proof* Fix $\varepsilon > 0$. Then there exists a closed set $F \subset [0, 1]$ such that $\lambda([0, 1] \setminus F) < \varepsilon$ and
 355 $f|_F$ is continuous. Since F is compact, then $f|_F$ is uniformly continuous, and so there exists
 356 a positive number $\delta > 0$ such that, as soon as t, t' are chosen in F , with $|t - t'| < \delta$, then
 357 $\|f(t) - f(t')\| < \varepsilon$. Now, fix any finite family $\{I_1, \dots, I_K\}$ of nonoverlapping intervals with
 358 $\max_k |I_k| < \eta$, and choose arbitrarily points t_k, t'_k in $I_k \cap F$ for every k : Then we have

$$359 \quad \sum_{k=1}^K \|f(t_k) - f(t'_k)\| \cdot |I_k| < \sum_{k=1}^K \varepsilon |I_k| < \varepsilon.$$

360 □

361 Now, in order to prove that each variationally Henstock function $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ is also
 362 variationally \mathcal{H} -integrable, we shall follow the lines of the proof of [39, Theorem 6], with
 363 $E = [0, 1]$.

364 Another preliminary result is needed, concerning *interior* Perron partitions.

365 **Definition 6.3** Let $\delta : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ be any gauge on $[0, 1]$, and let $P := \{(t_1, I_1), (t_2, I_2),$
 366 $\dots, (t_K, I_K)\} \in \Pi_\delta^P$. P is said to be an *interior* Perron partition if $t_k \in \text{int}(I_k)$ for all k ,
 367 except when I_k contains 0 or 1, in which case $t_k \in \text{int}(I_k)$ or $t_k \in I_k \cap \{0, 1\}$.

368 We can observe that the result given by Naralenkov in [39, Lemma 3] can be expressed
 369 in the following way:

370 **Lemma 6.4** [39, Lemma 3] *Let δ be a gauge on $[0, 1]$, and let $P := \{(t_1, I_1), \dots, (t_K, I_K)\}$*
 371 *be any δ -fine Perron partition of $[0, 1]$, where the tags t_1, \dots, t_K are all distinct. Then, for*
 372 *each function $\phi : [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ and each $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a δ -fine interior Perron partition*
 373 *of $[0, 1]$, $P' := \{(t_1, I'_1), (t_2, I'_2), \dots, (t_K, I'_K)\}$ such that $\sum_{k=1}^K \|\phi(t_k)\| \cdot |I_k| - |I'_k| < \varepsilon$.*

374 Thanks to this Lemma we can obtain, for variationally Henstock integrable functions, the
 375 following result:

376 **Lemma 6.5** *Let $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ be any variationally Henstock integrable mapping, and*
 377 *denote by Φ its primitive, i.e., $\Phi(I) = \int_I f$, for all intervals I . Suppose that δ is*
 378 *a gauge on $[0, 1]$, and $P := \{(t_1, I_1), (t_2, I_2), \dots, (t_K, I_K)\} \in \Pi_\delta^P$ has all the tags*
 379 *t_1, \dots, t_K distinct. Then, for each $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a δ -fine interior Perron partition*
 380 *$P' := \{(t_1, I'_1), (t_2, I'_2), \dots, (t_K, I'_K)\}$ of $[0, 1]$, such that $\sum_{k=1}^K \|f(t_k)\| \cdot |I_k| - |I'_k| < \varepsilon$,*
 381 *and $\sum_{k=1}^K \|\Phi(I_k) - \Phi(I'_k)\| \leq \varepsilon$.*

382 *Proof* Since f is variationally Henstock integrable, the function $t \mapsto \Phi([0, t])$ is continuous
 383 with respect to the norm topology of X . □

384 We are now ready to present the announced result.

385 **Theorem 6.6** *Let $\Gamma: [0, 1] \rightarrow cwk(X)$ be any variationally Henstock integrable multifunc-*
 386 *tion. Then it is also variationally \mathcal{H} -integrable.*

387 *Proof* Thanks to Rådström embedding Theorem we may assume that Γ is a function taking
 388 values in a Banach space. Denote it by f . First of all, we observe that f is strongly measurable,
 389 and therefore strongly Riemann measurable. Fix $\varepsilon > 0$. Then there exists a sequence of
 390 pairwise disjoint closed sets $(F_n)_n$ in $[0, 1]$ and a decreasing sequence $(\eta_n)_n$ in \mathbb{R}^+ tending
 391 to 0, such that the set $N := \bigcap_n ([0, 1] \setminus F_n)$ has Lebesgue measure 0, and moreover such that
 392 for every integer n

$$\sum_{k=1}^K \|f(t_k) - f(t'_k)\| \cdot |I_k| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2^n}$$

394 holds, as soon as $(I_k)_{k=1}^K$ is any nonoverlapping family of subintervals with $\max_k |I_k| < \eta_n$
 395 and the points t_k, t'_k are taken in $F_n \cap I_k$. Now, choose any bounded gauge δ_0 , corresponding
 396 to ε in the definition of variational Henstock integral of f , and set $\delta(t) = \theta_n(t)$, when $t \in F_n$
 397 for some index n , and $\delta(t) = \delta_0$ if $t \in N$, where

$$\theta_n(t) = \min \left\{ \eta_n, \frac{1}{2} \max \{ \delta_0(t), \limsup_{F_n \ni \tau \rightarrow t} \delta_0(\tau) \} \right\}.$$

399 δ is measurable, as proved in [39, Theorem 6]. We shall prove now that the gauge $\delta/2$ can be
 400 chosen in correspondence with ε in the notion of variational integrability of f . To this aim,
 401 fix any partition $P := \{(t_1, I_1), \dots, (t_K, I_K)\} \in \Pi_{\delta/2}^P$. Without loss of generality, we may
 402 assume that all tags t_k are distinct. Indeed, if a tag t is common to two intervals I, J of P ,
 403 then

$$\left\| f(t)|I| - \int_I f \right\| + \left\| f(t)|J| - \int_J f \right\| \leq 2 \max \left\{ \left\| f(t)|I| - \int_I f \right\|, \left\| f(t)|J| - \int_J f \right\| \right\}$$

405 and therefore the sum

$$\sum_k \left\| f(t_k)|I_k| - \int_{I_k} f \right\|$$

407 is dominated by twice the analogous sum evaluated on a (possibly partial) partition with
 408 distinct tags.

409 Thanks to Lemma 6.5, there exists an interior Perron partition $P' := \{(t_k, J_k), k =$
 410 $1, \dots, K\} \in \Pi_{\delta/2}^P$ such that

$$\max \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^K \|f(t_k)\| \cdot |I_k| - |J_k|, \sum_{k=1}^K \left\| \int_{I_k} f - \int_{J_k} f \right\| \right\} \leq \varepsilon. \tag{4}$$

412 Now, we shall suitably modify the tags of P' ; fix k and consider the tag t_k .

413 If $t_k \in F_n$ for some n and $\limsup_{F_n \ni s \rightarrow t_k} \delta_0(s) \geq \delta_0(t_k)$, then we pick t'_k in the set
 414 $\text{int}(I_k) \cap F_n$ in such a way that $\delta_0(t'_k) > \delta(t_k)$. This is possible since then we have
 415 $\limsup_{F_n \ni s \rightarrow t_k} \delta_0(s) \geq 2\delta(t_k)$.

416 If $t_k \in F_n$ for some n and $\limsup_{F_n \ni s \rightarrow t_k} \delta_0(s) < \delta_0(t_k)$ or if $t_k \in N$, then we set $t'_k = t_k$.
 417 From this, it follows that the partition $P'' := \{(t'_k, I_k) : k = 1, \dots, K\}$ is a δ_0 -fine interior
 418 Perron partition. Summarizing, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_k \left\| f(t_k)|I_k| - \int_{I_k} f \right\| &\leq \sum_k \|f(t_k)\| \cdot ||I_k| - |J_k|| + \sum_k \|f(t_k) - f(t'_k)\| \cdot |J_k| + \\ &+ \sum_k \left\| f(t'_k)|J_k| - \int_{J_k} f \right\| + \sum_k \left\| \int_{I_k} f - \int_{J_k} f \right\|. \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\sum_k \|f(t_k)\| \cdot ||I_k| - |J_k|| + \sum_k \left\| \int_{I_k} f - \int_{J_k} f \right\| \leq 2\varepsilon$$

thanks to (4), and

$$\sum_k \left\| f(t'_k)|J_k| - \int_{J_k} f \right\| \leq \varepsilon$$

because P'' is δ_0 -fine. Finally, thanks to the strong Riemann measurability,

$$\sum_k \|f(t_k) - f(t'_k)\| \cdot |J_k| = \sum_{t_k \in N^c} \|f(t_k) - f(t'_k)\| \cdot |J_k| \leq \sum_n \frac{\varepsilon}{2^n} = \varepsilon,$$

and so

$$\sum_k \left\| f(t_k)|I_k| - \int_{I_k} f \right\| \leq 4\varepsilon$$

which concludes the proof. \square

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