

## LEVY'S THEOREM AND STRONG CONVERGENCE OF MARTINGALES IN A DUAL SPACE

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ABSTRACT. We prove Levy's Theorem for a new class of functions taking values from a dual space and we obtain almost sure strong convergence of martingales and mils satisfying various tightness conditions.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

This work is devoted to the study of strong convergence of martingales and mils in the space  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  of  $X$ -scalarly measurable functions  $f$  such that  $\omega \rightarrow \|f(\omega)\|$  is  $P$ -integrable, where  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  is a complete probability space,  $X$  is a separable Banach space and  $X^*$  is its topological dual without the Radon-Nikodym Property. By contrast with the well known Chatterji result dealing with strong convergence of relatively weakly compact  $L_Y^1(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ -bounded martingales, where  $Y$  is a Banach space, the case of the space  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  considered here is unusual because the functions are no longer strongly measurable, the dual space is not strongly separable. Our starting point of this study is to characterize functions in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  whose associated regular martingales almost surely strong converge, by introducing the notion of  $\sigma$ -measurability. We then proceed by stating our main results, which stipule that under various tightness conditions,  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ -bounded martingales and mils almost surely converge with respect to the strong topology on  $X^*$ . Further, we study the special case of martingales in the subspace of  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  of all Pettis-integrable functions that satisfy a condition formulated in the manner of Marraffa [25]. For the weak star convergence of martingales and mils taking values from a dual space, the reader is referred to Fitzpatrick-Lewis [20] and the recent paper of Castaing-Ezzaki-Lavie-Saadoune [7].

The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2 we set our notations and definitions, and summarize needed results. In section 3 we present a weak compactness result for uniformly integrable *weak tight* sequences in the space  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  as well as we give application to biting lemma. These results will be used in the

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next sections. In Section 4  $\sigma$ -measurable functions are presented and Levy's theorem for such functions is stated. In Section 5 we give our main martingale almost surely strong convergence result (Theorem 5.1) accompanied by some important Corollaries 5.1–5.3. A version of Theorem 5.1 for mils is provided at the end of this section (Theorem 5.2). Finally, in Section 6 we discuss the special case of bounded martingales in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  whose members are also Pettis integrable. It will be shown that for such martingales it is possible to pass from convergence in a very weak sense (see [25], [17], [4]) to strong convergence (Proposition 6.1).

## 2. NOTATIONS AND PRELIMINARIES

In the sequel,  $X$  is a separable Banach space and  $(x_\ell)_{\ell \geq 1}$  is a fixed dense sequence in the closed unit ball  $\overline{B}_X$ . We denote by  $X^*$  the topological dual of  $X$  and the dual norm by  $\|\cdot\|$ . The closed unit ball of  $X^*$  is denoted by  $\overline{B}_{X^*}$ . If  $t$  is a topology on  $X^*$ , the space  $X^*$  endowed with  $t$  is denoted by  $X_t^*$ . Three topologies will be considered on  $X^*$ , namely the norm topology  $s^*$ , the weak topology  $w = \sigma(X^*, X^{**})$  and the weak-star topology  $w^* = \sigma(X^*, X)$ .

Let  $(C_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be a sequence of subsets of  $X^*$ . The *sequential weak upper limit*  $w - ls C_n$  of  $(C_n)$  is defined by

$$w - ls C_n = \{x \in X^* : x = w - \lim_{j \rightarrow +\infty} x_{n_j}, \quad x_{n_j} \in C_{n_j}\}$$

and the *topological weak upper limit*  $w - LS C_n$  of  $(C_n)$  is denoted by  $w - LS C_n$  and is defined by

$$w - LS C_n = \bigcap_{n \geq 1} w - \text{cl} \bigcup_{k \geq n} C_k,$$

where  $w - \text{cl}$  denotes the closed hull operation in the weak topology. The following inclusion

$$w - ls C_n \subseteq w - LS C_n$$

is easy to check. Conversely, if the  $C_n$  are contained in a fixed weakly compact subset, then both sides coincide.

Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  be a complete probability space. A function  $f: \Omega \rightarrow X^*$  is said to be  *$X$ -scalarly  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable* (or simply *scalarly  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable*) if the real-valued function  $\omega \rightarrow \langle x, f(\omega) \rangle$  is measurable with respect to (w.r.t.) the  $\sigma$ -field  $\mathcal{F}$  for all  $x \in X$ . We say also that  $f$  is *weak\*- $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable*. Recall that if  $f: \Omega \rightarrow X^*$  is a scalarly  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable function such that  $\langle x, f \rangle \in L_{\mathbb{R}}^1(\mathcal{F})$  for all  $x \in X$ , then for each  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ , there is  $x^* \in X^*$  such that

$$\forall x \in X, \quad \langle x, x^* \rangle = \int_A \langle x, f \rangle dP.$$

The vector  $x^*$  is called the *weak\* integral* (or *Gelfand integral*) of  $f$  over  $A$  and is denoted simply  $\int_A f dP$ . We denote by  $L_{X^*}^0[X](\mathcal{F})$  (resp.  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ ) the space of all (classes of) scalarly  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable functions (resp. scalarly  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable functions  $f$  such that  $\omega \rightarrow \|f(\omega)\|$  is  $P$ -integrable). By [14, Theorem VIII.5]

(actually, a consequence of it) (see also [3, Proposition 2.7]),  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  endowed with the norm  $\bar{N}_1$  defined by

$$\bar{N}_1(f) := \int_{\Omega} \|f\| \, dP, \quad f \in L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F}),$$

is a Banach space. For more properties of this space, we refer to [3] and [14].

Next, let  $(\mathcal{F}_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be an increasing sequence of sub- $\sigma$ -algebras of  $\mathcal{F}$ . We assume without loss of generality that  $\mathcal{F}$  is generated by  $\cup_n \mathcal{F}_n$ . A function  $\tau: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \cup \{+\infty\}$  is called a *stopping time* w.r.t.  $(\mathcal{F}_n)$  if for each  $n \geq 1$ ,  $\{\tau = n\} \in \mathcal{F}_n$ . The set of all bounded stopping times w.r.t.  $(\mathcal{F}_n)$  is denoted  $T$ . Let  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be a sequence in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ . If each  $f_n$  is  $\mathcal{F}_n$ -scalarly measurable, we say that  $(f_n)$  is adapted w.r.t.  $(\mathcal{F}_n)$ . For  $\tau \in T$  and  $(f_n)$  an adapted sequence w.r.t.  $(\mathcal{F}_n)$  recall that

$$f_{\tau} := \sum_{k=\min(\tau)}^{\max(\tau)} f_k 1_{\{\tau=k\}} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{F}_{\tau} = \{A \in \mathcal{F} : A \cap \{\tau = k\} \in \mathcal{F}_k, \forall k \geq 1\}.$$

It is readily seen that  $f_{\tau}$  is  $\mathcal{F}_{\tau}$ -scalarly measurable. Moreover, given a stopping time  $\sigma$  (not necessarily bounded), the following useful inclusion holds

$$(\ddagger) \quad \{\sigma = +\infty\} \cap \mathcal{F} \subset \sigma(\cup_n \mathcal{F}_{\sigma \wedge n}),$$

which is equivalent to

$$(\ddagger)' \quad \{\sigma = +\infty\} \cap \mathcal{F}_m \subset \sigma(\cup_n \mathcal{F}_{\sigma \wedge n}), \quad \text{for all } m \geq 1,$$

where  $\sigma \wedge n$  is the bounded stopping time defined by  $\sigma \wedge n(\omega) := \min(\sigma(\omega), n)$  and  $\sigma(\cup_n \mathcal{F}_{\sigma \wedge n})$  is the sub- $\sigma$ -algebra of  $\mathcal{F}$  generated by  $\cup_n \mathcal{F}_{\sigma \wedge n}$ . To verify  $(\ddagger)'$ , fix  $A$  in  $\mathcal{F}_m$  and consider the sequence  $(f_n)$  defined by  $f_n := 1_A$  if  $n = m$ , 0 otherwise. Then  $(f_n)$  is adapted w.r.t.  $(\mathcal{F}_n)$  and it is easy to check the following equality

$$1_{\{\sigma=+\infty\}} f_{\sigma \wedge m} = 1_{\{\sigma=+\infty\} \cap A}$$

with  $1_{\emptyset} = 0$ . As  $\{\sigma = +\infty\} \in \sigma(\cup_n \mathcal{F}_{\sigma \wedge n})$  (because  $\{\sigma < +\infty\} = \cup_n \{\sigma = n\}$  and  $\{\sigma = n\} \in \mathcal{F}_{\sigma \wedge n}$ , for all  $n \geq 1$ ), it follows that  $1_{\{\sigma=+\infty\}} f_{\sigma \wedge m}$  is measurable w.r.t.  $\sigma(\cup_n \mathcal{F}_{\sigma \wedge n})$  and so is the function  $1_{\{\sigma=+\infty\} \cap A}$ . Equivalently  $\{\sigma = +\infty\} \cap A \in \sigma(\cup_n \mathcal{F}_{\sigma \wedge n})$ . Thus  $\{\sigma = +\infty\} \cap \mathcal{F}_m \subset \sigma(\cup_n \mathcal{F}_{\sigma \wedge n})$ . Since this holds for all  $m \geq 1$ , the inclusion  $(\ddagger)'$  follows.

**Definition 2.1.** An adapted sequence  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  is a *martingale* if

$$\int_A f_n \, dP = \int_A f_{n+1} \, dP$$

for each  $A \in \mathcal{F}_n$  and each  $n \geq 1$ . Equivalently  $E^{\mathcal{F}_n}(f_{n+1}) = f_n$  for each  $n \geq 1$ .

$E^{\mathcal{F}_n}$  denotes the (Gelfand) conditional expectation w.r.t.  $\mathcal{F}_n$ . It must be noted that the conditional expectation of a Gelfand function in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  always exists, (see [32, Proposition 7, p. 366] and [35, Theorem 3]).

**Definition 2.2.** An adapted sequence  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  is a mil if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $p$  such that for each  $n \geq p$ , we have

$$P\left(\sup_{n \geq q \geq p} \|f_q - E^{\mathcal{F}_q} f_n\| > \varepsilon\right) < \varepsilon.$$

It is obvious that if  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  is a mil in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ , then for every  $x$  in  $\overline{B}_X$ , the sequence  $(\langle x, f_n \rangle)_{n \geq 1}$  is a mil in  $L_{\mathbb{R}}^1(\mathcal{F})$ .

We end this section by recalling two concepts of tightness which permit us to pass from weak star to strong convergence. For this purpose, let  $\mathcal{C} = \text{cwk}(X_w^*)$  or  $\mathcal{R}(X_w^*)$ , where  $\text{cwk}(X_w^*)$  (resp.  $\mathcal{R}(X_w^*)$ ) denotes the space of all nonempty  $\sigma(X^*, X^{**})$ -compact convex subsets of  $X_w^*$  (resp. closed convex subsets of  $X_w^*$  such that their intersections with any closed ball are weakly compact). A  $\mathcal{C}$ -valued multifunction  $\Gamma : \Omega \Rightarrow X^*$  is  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable if its graph  $Gr(\Gamma)$  defined by

$$Gr(\Gamma) := \{(\omega, x^*) \in \Omega \times X^* : x^* \in \Gamma(\omega)\}$$

belongs to  $\mathcal{F} \otimes \mathcal{B}(X_w^{**})$ .

**Definition 2.3.** A sequence  $(f_n)$  in  $L_{X^*}^0[X](\mathcal{F})$  is  $\mathcal{C}$ -tight if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is a  $\mathcal{C}$ -valued  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable multifunction  $\Gamma_\varepsilon : \Omega \Rightarrow X^*$  such that

$$\inf_n P(\{\omega \in \Omega : f_n(\omega) \in \Gamma_\varepsilon(\omega)\}) \geq 1 - \varepsilon.$$

In view of the completeness hypothesis on the probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ , the measurability of the set  $\{\omega \in \Omega : f_n(\omega) \in \Gamma_\varepsilon(\omega)\}$  is a consequence of the classical Projection Theorem [14, Theorem III.23] since  $X_w^{**}$  is a Suslin space and  $\Gamma_\varepsilon$  has its graph in  $\mathcal{F} \otimes \mathcal{B}(X_w^{**})$  (see [8, p. 171–172] and also [6, 11]).

Now let us introduce a weaker notion of tightness, namely  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{C})$ -tightness. It is a dual version of a similar notion in [6] dealing with primal space  $X$ .

**Definition 2.4.** A sequence  $(f_n)$  in  $L_{X^*}^0[X](\mathcal{F})$  is  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{C})$ -tight if there exists a  $\mathcal{C}$ -valued  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable multifunction  $\Gamma : \Omega \Rightarrow X^*$  such that for almost all  $\omega \in \Omega$ , one has

$$(*) \quad f_n(\omega) \in \Gamma(\omega) \text{ for infinitely many indices } n.$$

The following two results reformulate [6, Proposition 3.3] for sequences of measurable functions with values in a dual space.

**Proposition 2.1.** *Let  $(f_n)$  be an  $\mathcal{R}(X_w^*)$ -tight sequence. If it is bounded in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ , then it is also  $\text{cwk}(X_w^*)$ -tight.*

*Proof.* Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . By the  $\mathcal{R}(X_w^*)$ -tightness assumption, there exists a  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable  $\mathcal{R}(X_w^*)$ -valued multifunction  $\Gamma_\varepsilon : \Omega \Rightarrow X^*$  such that

$$(2.1) \quad \inf_n P(\{\omega \in \Omega : f_n(\omega) \in \Gamma_\varepsilon(\omega)\}) \geq 1 - \varepsilon.$$

On the other hand, since  $(\|f_n\|)$  is bounded in  $L_{\mathbb{R}^+}^1(\mathcal{F})$ , one can find  $r_\varepsilon > 0$  such that

$$(2.2) \quad \sup_n P(\{\|f_n\| > r_\varepsilon\}) \leq \varepsilon.$$

For each  $n \geq 1$ , put

$$A_{n,\varepsilon} := \{\omega \in \Omega : f_n(\omega) \in \Gamma_\varepsilon(\omega) \cap \overline{B}(0, r_\varepsilon)\}$$

and let us consider the multifunction  $\Delta_\varepsilon$  defined on  $\Omega$  by

$$\Delta_\varepsilon := s^*\text{-cl co} \left[ \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \{1_{A_{n,\varepsilon}} f_n\} \right].$$

The values of multifunction  $\Delta_\varepsilon$  are  $\text{cwk}(X_w^*)$ -valued, because  $\Delta_\varepsilon(\omega) \subset s^*\text{-cl co}(\{0\} \cup [\Gamma_\varepsilon(\omega) \cap \overline{B}(0, r_\varepsilon)])$  and  $\Gamma_\varepsilon(\omega) \in \mathcal{R}(X_w^*)$ , for all  $\omega$ . Therefore,  $\Delta_\varepsilon$  is  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable (see [6], [10]). Finally, using (2.1), (2.2) and the following inclusions

$$A_{n,\varepsilon} \subseteq \{\omega \in \Omega : f_n(\omega) \in \Delta_\varepsilon(\omega)\}, \quad n \geq 1,$$

we get

$$P(\{\omega \in \Omega : f_n(\omega) \in \Delta_\varepsilon(\omega)\}) > 1 - 2\varepsilon \quad \text{for all } n.$$

□

**Proposition 2.2.** *Every  $\mathcal{C}$ -tight sequence is  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{C})$ -tight.*

*Proof.* Let  $(f_n)$  be a  $\mathcal{C}$ -tight sequence in  $L_{X^*}^0[X](\mathcal{F})$  and consider  $\varepsilon_q := \frac{1}{q}$ ,  $q \geq 1$ . By the  $\mathcal{C}$ -tightness assumption, there is a  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable  $\mathcal{C}$ -valued multifunction  $\Gamma_{\varepsilon_q} : \Omega \Rightarrow X^*$  denoted simply  $\Gamma_q$  such that

$$(2.3) \quad \inf_n P(A_{n,q}) \geq 1 - \varepsilon_q,$$

where

$$A_{n,q} := \{\omega \in \Omega : f_n(\omega) \in \Gamma_q(\omega)\}.$$

Now, we define the sequence  $(\Omega_q)_{q \geq 1}$  by

$$\Omega_q = \limsup_{n \rightarrow +\infty} A_{n,q}$$

and the multifunction  $\Gamma$  on  $\Omega$  by

$$\Gamma = 1_{\Omega'_1} \Gamma_1 + \sum_{q \geq 2} 1_{\Omega'_q} \Gamma_q,$$

where  $\Omega'_1 = \Omega_1$  and  $\Omega'_q = \Omega_q \setminus \cup_{i < q} \Omega_i$  for all  $q > 1$ . Then inequality (2.3) implies

$$P(\Omega_q) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\bigcup_{m \geq n} A_{m,q}\right) \geq 1 - \varepsilon_q \rightarrow 1.$$

Further, for each  $\omega \in \Omega_q$ , one has

$$\omega \in A_{n,q} = \{\omega \in \Omega : f_n(\omega) \in \Gamma(\omega)\} \quad \text{for infinitely many indices } n.$$

This proves the  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{C})$ -tightness. □

**Remark 2.5.** By the Eberlein-Smulian theorem, the following implication

$$(f_n) \text{ } \mathcal{S}(\text{cwk}(X_w^*))\text{-tight} \Rightarrow w\text{-}ls f_n \neq \emptyset \text{ a.s.}$$

holds true. Conversely, if  $w\text{-}ls f_n \neq \emptyset$  a.s. then the condition (\*) in Definition 2.4 is satisfied, but the multifunction  $\mathcal{C}$  may fail to be  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable.

Actually, in all results involving the  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{C})$ -tightness condition, the measurability of the multifunction  $\Gamma$  is not essential.

### 3. WEAK COMPACTNESS IN THE SPACE $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$

We recall first the following weak compactness result in the space  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  due to Benabdellah and Castaing [3].

**Proposition 3.1.** ([3, Proposition 4.1]) *Suppose that  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  is a uniformly integrable sequence in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  and  $\Gamma$  is a  $cw(X_w^*)$ -valued multifunction such that*

$$f_n(\omega) \in \Gamma(\omega) \text{ a.s. for all } n \geq 1,$$

*then  $(f_n)$  is relatively weakly compact in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ .*

Proceeding as in the primal case (see [5], [1], [30]), it is possible to extend this result to uniformly integrable  $\mathcal{R}(X_w^*)$ -tight sequences in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$

**Proposition 3.2.** *Suppose that  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  is a uniformly integrable  $\mathcal{R}(X_w^*)$ -tight sequence in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ . Then  $(f_n)$  is relatively weakly compact in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ .*

*Proof.* By Proposition 2.1,  $(f_n)$  is  $cwk(X_w^*)$ -tight since it is bounded and  $\mathcal{R}(X_w^*)$ -tight. Consequently, for every  $q \geq 1$ , there is a  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable  $cwk(X_w^*)$ -valued multifunction  $\Gamma_{\frac{1}{q}} : \Omega \Rightarrow X^*$ , denoted simply  $\Gamma_q$ , such that

$$\inf_n P(A_{n,q}) \geq 1 - \frac{1}{q},$$

where

$$A_{n,q} := \{\omega \in \Omega : f_n(\omega) \in \Gamma_q(\omega)\}.$$

Now, for each  $q \geq 1$ , we consider the sequence  $(f_{n,q})$  defined by

$$f_{n,q} = 1_{A_{n,q}} f_n \quad n \geq 1.$$

By Proposition 3.1, the sequence  $(f_{n,q})$  is relatively weakly compact in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  since it is  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ -bounded and  $f_{n,q}(\omega)$  belongs to the  $w$ -compact set  $\Gamma(\omega)$  for all  $\omega \in \Omega$  and all  $n, q \geq 1$ . Furthermore, we have the following estimation

$$\sup_n \int_{\Omega} \|f_n - f_{n,q}\| dP \leq \sup_n \int_{\Omega \setminus A_{n,q}} \|f_n\| dP$$

for all  $q \geq 1$ . As  $(f_n)$  is uniformly integrable and  $\inf_n P(A_{n,q}) \geq 1 - \frac{1}{q}$ , we get

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} \sup_n \int_{\Omega \setminus A_{n,q}} \|f_n\| dP = 0.$$

Hence

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} \sup_n \int_{\Omega} \|f_n - f_{n,q}\| dP = 0.$$

Consequently, by Grothendieck's weak relative compactness lemma ([22, Chap. 5, 4, n°1]), the sequence  $(f_n)$  is relatively weakly compact in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ .  $\square$

Now, we provide the following version of the biting lemma in the space  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ . See [13] for other related results involving a weaker mode of convergence; see also [9] dealing with the primal case.

**Proposition 3.3.** *Let  $(f_n)$  be a bounded  $\mathcal{R}(X_w^*)$ -tight sequence in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ . Then there exist a subsequence  $(f'_n)$  of  $(f_n)$ , a function  $f_\infty \in L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  and an increasing sequence  $(B_p)$  of measurable sets with  $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} P(B_p) = 1$  such that  $(1_{B_p} f'_n)$  converges to  $1_{B_p} f_\infty$  in the weak topology of  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  for all  $p \geq 1$ .*

*Proof.* In view of the biting lemma (see [21], [33] [31]), there exist an increasing sequence  $(B_p)$  of measurable sets with  $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} P(B_p) = 1$  and a subsequence  $(f'_n)$  of  $(f_n)$  such that for all  $p \geq 1$ , the sequence  $(1_{B_p} f'_n)$  is uniformly integrable. It is also  $\mathcal{R}(X_w^*)$ -tight. Consequently, by Proposition 3.2, for each  $p \geq 1$ ,  $(1_{B_p} f'_n)$  is relatively weakly compact in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ . By applying the Eberlein-Smulian theorem via a standard diagonal procedure, we provide a subsequence of  $(f'_n)$ , not relabeled, such that for each  $p \geq 1$ ,  $(1_{B_p} f'_n)$  converges to a function  $f_{\infty,p} \in L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  in the weak topology of  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ , also denoted  $\sigma(L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F}), (L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F}))')$ . Finally, define

$$f_\infty := \sum_{p=1}^{p=\infty} 1_{C_p} f_{\infty,p},$$

where

$$C_1 := B_1 \text{ and } C_p := B_p \setminus \cup_{i < p} B_i \text{ for } p > 1.$$

It is not difficult to verify that  $(1_{B_p} f'_n)$  converges to  $1_{B_p} f_\infty$  in the weak topology of  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ . Since the norm  $\bar{N}_1(\cdot)$  of  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  is  $\sigma(L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F}), (L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F}))'$ -lower semi-continuous, we have

$$\int_{B_p} \|f_\infty\| dP \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{B_p} \|f'_n\| dP \leq \sup_n \int_{\Omega} \|f_n\| dP < \infty \text{ for all } p \geq 1.$$

As  $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} P(B_p) = 1$ , we deduce that  $\|f_\infty\| \in L_{\mathbb{R}}^1(\mathcal{F})$ . This completes the proof of Proposition 3.3.  $\square$

As a consequence of Proposition 3.3 and Mazur theorem we get the following corollary.

**Corollary 3.1.** *Let  $(f_n)$  be a bounded  $\mathcal{R}(X_w^*)$ -tight sequence in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ . Then there exist a sequence  $(g_n)$  with  $g_n \in \text{co}\{f_i : i \geq n\}$  and a function  $f_\infty \in L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  such that*

$$(g_n) \text{ } s^*\text{-converges to } f_\infty \text{ a.s.}$$

*Proof.* By the assumptions and Proposition 3.3, there exist a subsequence  $(f'_n)$  of  $(f_n)$ , a function  $f_\infty \in L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  and increasing sequence  $(B_p)$  of measurable sets with  $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} P(B_p) = 1$  such that for all  $p \geq 1$ ,  $(1_{B_p} f'_n)$  converges to  $1_{B_p} f_\infty$  in the weak topology of  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ . So, appealing to a diagonal procedure based on successively applying Mazur's theorem (see [10, Lemma 3.1]), one can show the existence of a sequence  $(g_n)$  of convex combinations of  $(f'_n)$ , such that for all  $p \geq 1$ ,  $(1_{B_p} g_n)$   $s^*$ -converges almost surely to  $1_{B_p} f_\infty$  and also strongly in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ . Since  $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} P(B_p) = 1$ ,  $(g_n)$   $s^*$ -converges almost surely to  $f_\infty$ .  $\square$

4. LEVY'S THEOREM IN  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ 

In this section, we present a new class of functions in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  whose associated regular martingales almost surely converge with respect to the strong topology of  $X^*$ .

**Definition 4.1.** A function  $f$  in  $L_{X^*}^0[X](\mathcal{F})$  is said to be  $\sigma$ -measurable, if there exists an adapted sequence  $(\Gamma_n)_{n \geq 1}$  (that is, for each integer  $n \geq 1$ ,  $\Gamma_n$  is  $\mathcal{F}_n$ -measurable) of  $\mathcal{R}(X_w^*)$ -valued multifunctions such that  $f(\omega) \in s^*\text{-cl co}(\cup_n \Gamma_n)$  a.s.

**Remark 4.2.** The sequence  $(\Gamma_n)$  given in this definition can be assumed to be adapted w.r.t. a subsequence of  $(\mathcal{F}_n)$ .

**Remark 4.3.** As a special case note that every strongly measurable function  $f: \Omega \rightarrow X^*$  is  $\sigma$ -measurable. Indeed, if  $(\xi_n)_{n \geq 1}$  is a sequence of measurable functions assuming a finite number of values and which norm converges a.s. to  $f$ , then  $f(\omega) \in s^*\text{-cl}(\cup_{n \geq 1} \xi_n(\Omega))$  a.s., ( $\Gamma_n := \xi_n(\Omega)$ ).

**Proposition 4.1.** Let  $f \in L_{X^*}^0[X](\mathcal{F})$  and suppose there exists a sequence  $(\Gamma_n)_{n \geq 1}$  of  $\mathcal{R}(X_w^*)$ -valued multifunctions which is adapted w.r.t. a subsequence of  $(\mathcal{F}_n)$  such that  $f(\omega) \in s^*\text{-cl co } w\text{-LS } \Gamma_n$  a.s., then  $f$  is  $\sigma$ -measurable.

*Proof.* Indeed, since

$$w\text{-LS } \Gamma_n := \bigcap_{k \geq 1} w\text{-cl} \left( \bigcup_{n \geq k} \Gamma_n \right) \subset \bigcap_{k \geq 1} s^*\text{-cl co} \left( \bigcup_{n \geq k} \Gamma_n \right) \subset s^*\text{-cl co} \left( \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \Gamma_n \right),$$

we have

$$s^*\text{-cl co } w\text{-LS } \Gamma_n \subset s^*\text{-cl co} \left( \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \Gamma_n \right).$$

□

In particular, we have the following result.

**Corollary 4.1.** Let  $f \in L_{X^*}^0[X](\mathcal{F})$ . If there exists a sequence  $(f_n)$  in  $L_{X^*}^0[X](\mathcal{F})$ , adapted w.r.t. a subsequence of  $(\mathcal{F}_n)$  which weak converges a.s. to  $f$ , then  $f$  is  $\sigma$ -measurable.

The following proposition will be useful in this work.

**Proposition 4.2.** Let  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be an adapted  $\mathcal{S}(cwk(X_w^*))$ -tight sequence in  $L_{X^*}^0[X](\mathcal{F})$  and  $f_\infty$  a function in  $L_{X^*}^0[X](\mathcal{F})$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_\ell, f_n \rangle = \langle x_\ell, f_\infty \rangle \text{ a.s. for all } \ell.$$

Then  $f_\infty$  is  $\sigma$ -measurable.

*Proof.*  $\mathcal{S}(cwk(X_w^*))$ -tightness and Remark 2.5 imply

$$w\text{-ls } f_n \neq \emptyset \text{ a.s.}$$

Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_\ell, f_n \rangle = \langle x_\ell, f_\infty \rangle$ , it is easy to prove that

$$w\text{-ls } f_n = \{f_\infty\} \text{ a.s.}$$



Thus  $f_\infty$  is  $\sigma$ -measurable, in view of Proposition 4.1  $\square$

There are two significant variants of Proposition 4.2. involving the  $\mathcal{R}(X_w^*)$ -tightness condition. The first one is essentially based on Proposition 3.2.

**Proposition 4.3.** *Let  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be a uniformly integrable  $\mathcal{R}(X_w^*)$ -tight adapted sequence in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  and  $f_\infty$  a function in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ . Suppose there exists a sequence  $(g_n)$  in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  with  $g_n \in \text{co}\{f_i : i \geq n\}$  such that*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_\ell, g_n \rangle = \langle x_\ell, f_\infty \rangle \text{ a.s. for all } \ell.$$

Then  $f_\infty$  is  $\sigma$ -measurable.

*Proof.* Let  $(g_n)$  be given as in the proposition. By Proposition 3.2 and Krein-Smulian theorem, the convex hull of the set  $\{f_n : n \geq 1\}$  is relatively weakly compact in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ ; hence  $(g_n)$  is relatively weakly compact in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ . Consequently, by the Eberlein Smulian theorem, there exists a subsequence of  $(g_n)$ , not relabeled, such that for each  $p \geq 1$ ,  $(g_n)$  converges to a function  $f'_\infty \in L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  in the weak topology of  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ . So, invoking Mazur's theorem it can be shown the existence of a sequence of convex combinations of  $(g_n)$ , still denoted in the same manner such that  $(g_n)$   $s^*$ -converges almost surely to  $f'_\infty$ . As  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_\ell, g_n \rangle = \langle x_\ell, f_\infty \rangle$  a.s. for all  $\ell$ , we get  $f_\infty = f'_\infty$  a.s. Therefore, since  $(g_n)$  is adapted w.r.t. a subsequence of  $(\mathcal{F}_n)$ , it follows that  $f_\infty$  is  $\sigma$ -measurable.  $\square$

The second variant is a consequence of the proof of Corollary 3.1.

**Proposition 4.4.** *Let  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be a bounded  $\mathcal{R}(X_w^*)$ -tight adapted sequence in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  and  $f_\infty$  a function in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  such that the following condition holds.*

*For any subsequence  $(f'_n)$  of  $(f_n)$ , there is a sequence  $(g_n)$  in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  with  $g_n \in \text{co}\{f'_i : i \geq n\}$  such that*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_\ell, g_n \rangle = \langle x_\ell, f_\infty \rangle \text{ a.s. for all } \ell.$$

Then  $f_\infty$  is  $\sigma$ -measurable.

Now our main result comes and shows that a regular martingale associated to a  $\sigma$ -measurable function in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  norm converges a.s.

**Proposition 4.5.** *Let  $f$  be a function in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ . Then the following two statements are equivalent:*

- (a)  $(E^{\mathcal{F}_n}(f))$   $s^*$ -converges a.s. to  $f$ ;
- (b)  $f$  is  $\sigma$ -measurable.

*Proof. Step 1.* The implication (a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b) is trivial. Conversely, suppose that  $f$  is  $\sigma$ -measurable. Then there exists an adapted sequence  $(\Gamma_n)$  of  $\mathcal{R}(X_w^*)$ -valued multifunctions such that

$$(4.1) \quad f(\omega) \in s^*\text{-cl co}\left(\bigcup_n \Gamma_n(\omega)\right) \text{ a.s.}$$

Without loss of generality, we may suppose that  $0 \in \Gamma_n(\omega)$ , for all  $\omega \in \Omega$  and all  $n \geq 1$ . For each  $n, p \geq 1$ , define the multifunction  $\Gamma_n^p$  by

$$\Gamma_n^p := \Gamma_n \cap \overline{B_{X^*}}(0, p).$$

Since this multifunction is  $\mathcal{F}_n$ -measurable, namely  $Gr(\Gamma_n^p) \in \mathcal{F}_n \otimes \mathcal{B}(X_{w^*}^*)$  and  $X_{w^*}^*$  is a Suslin space, invoking [14, Theorem III.22], one can find a sequence  $(\sigma_{n,i}^p)_{i \geq 1}$  of scalarly  $\mathcal{F}_n$ -measurable selectors of  $\Gamma_n^p$  that are also  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ -integrable (because the multifunctions  $\Gamma_n^p$  are integrably bounded) such that for every  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,

$$w^* - \text{cl}(\Gamma_n^p(\omega)) = w^* - \text{cl}(\{\sigma_{n,i}^p(\omega)\}_{i \geq 1}).$$

Equivalently

$$\Gamma_n^p(\omega) = w - \text{cl}(\{\sigma_{n,i}^p(\omega)\}_{i \geq 1}),$$

since  $\Gamma_n^p$  is  $w$ -compact valued. So

$$(4.2) \quad \Gamma_n^p(\omega) \subset w - \text{cl co}(\{\sigma_{n,i}^p(\omega)\}_{i \geq 1}) = s^* - \text{cl co}(\{\sigma_{n,i}^p(\omega)\}_{i \geq 1}).$$

Let  $(s_m)_{m \geq 1}$  be the sequence of all linear combinations with rational coefficients of  $\sigma_{n,i}^p$ , ( $n, p, i \geq 1$ ). It is easy to check that

$$s^* - \text{cl co}(\{\sigma_{n,i}^p(\omega)\}_{n,i,p \geq 1}) \subset s^* - \text{cl}(\{s_m(\omega)\}_{m \geq 1}).$$

Combining this with (4.2) we get

$$s^* - \text{cl co}(\bigcup_n \Gamma_n(\omega)) = s^* - \text{cl co}(\bigcup_n \bigcup_p \Gamma_n^p(\omega)) \subset s^* - \text{cl}(\{s_m(\omega)\}_{m \geq 1}),$$

whence, by (4.1)

$$(4.3) \quad f(\omega) \in s^* - \text{cl}(\{s_m(\omega)\}_{m \geq 1}) \text{ a.s.}$$

Now, for each  $q \geq 1$ , let us define the sets

$$B_m^q := \left\{ \omega \in \Omega : \|f(\omega) - s_m(\omega)\| < \frac{1}{q} \right\} \quad (m \geq 1),$$

$$\Omega_1^q := B_1^q, \quad \Omega_m^q := B_m^q \setminus \bigcup_{i < m} B_i^q \quad \text{for } m > 1$$

and the function

$$f_q := \sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} 1_{\Omega_m^q} s_m.$$

Since the functions  $\omega \rightarrow \|f(\omega) - s_m(\omega)\|$  are  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable,  $B_m^q \in \mathcal{F}$ , for all  $m \geq 1$ , and then each  $f_q$  is scalarly  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable. Further, from (4.3) it follows that  $\bigcup_m B_m^q = \Omega$  a.s., so that  $(\Omega_m^q)_m$  constitutes a sequence of pairwise disjoint members of  $\mathcal{F}$  which satisfies  $\bigcup_m \Omega_m^q = \Omega$  a.s., and so we have

$$(4.4) \quad \|f(\omega) - f_q(\omega)\| \leq \frac{1}{q} \text{ for almost all } \omega \in \Omega.$$

Next, we claim that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|E^{\mathcal{F}_n}(f) - f\| = 0 \text{ a.s.}$$

First, observe that by construction of the  $s_m$ 's, we can find a strictly increasing sequence  $(p_m)$  of positive integers such that  $(s_m)$  is adapted w.r.t.  $(\mathcal{F}_{p_m})$ . Now, let  $k \geq 1$  be a fixed integer. For each  $n \geq p_k$ , one has

$$E^{\mathcal{F}^n}(1_{\cup_{m=1}^{m=k} B_m^q} f_q) = E^{\mathcal{F}^n}(1_{\cup_{m=1}^{m=k} \Omega_m^q} f_q) = E^{\mathcal{F}^n} \sum_{m=1}^{m=k} 1_{\Omega_m^q} s_m = \sum_{m=1}^{m=k} (E^{\mathcal{F}^n} 1_{\Omega_m^q}) s_m,$$

whence by the classical Levy theorem

$$(4.5) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E^{\mathcal{F}^n}(1_{\cup_{m=1}^{m=k} B_m^q} f_q) = \sum_{m=1}^{m=k} 1_{\Omega_m^q} s_m = 1_{\cup_{m=1}^{m=k} B_m^q} f_q \text{ a.s.}$$

w.r.t. the norm topology of  $X^*$ . On the other hand, from (4.4) we deduce the following estimation

$$\begin{aligned} \|E^{\mathcal{F}^n}(1_{\cup_{m=1}^{m=k} B_m^q} f) - 1_{\cup_{m=1}^{m=k} B_m^q} f\| &\leq \|E^{\mathcal{F}^n}(1_{\cup_{m=1}^{m=k} B_m^q} f) - E^{\mathcal{F}^n}(1_{\cup_{m=1}^{m=k} B_m^q} f_q)\| \\ &\quad + \|E^{\mathcal{F}^n}(1_{\cup_{m=1}^{m=k} B_m^q} f_q) - 1_{\cup_{m=1}^{m=k} B_m^q} f_q\| \\ &\quad + \|1_{\cup_{m=1}^{m=k} B_m^q} f(\omega) - 1_{\cup_{m=1}^{m=k} B_m^q} f_q(\omega)\| \\ &\leq \|E^{\mathcal{F}^n}(1_{\cup_{m=1}^{m=k} B_m^q} f_q) - 1_{\cup_{m=1}^{m=k} B_m^q} f_q\| + \frac{2}{q}, \end{aligned}$$

which leads to

$$\begin{aligned} \|E^{\mathcal{F}^n}(f) - f\| &\leq \|E^{\mathcal{F}^n}(1_{\cup_{m=1}^{m=k} B_m^q} f) - 1_{\cup_{m=1}^{m=k} B_m^q} f\| \\ &\quad + \|E^{\mathcal{F}^n}(1_{\Omega \setminus \cup_{m=1}^{m=k} B_m^q} f) - 1_{\Omega \setminus \cup_{m=1}^{m=k} B_m^q} f\| \\ &\leq \|E^{\mathcal{F}^n}(1_{\cup_{m=1}^{m=k} B_m^q} f_q) - 1_{\cup_{m=1}^{m=k} B_m^q} f_q\| + \frac{2}{q} \\ &\quad + E^{\mathcal{F}^n}(1_{\Omega \setminus \cup_{m=1}^{m=k} B_m^q} \|f\|) + 1_{\Omega \setminus \cup_{m=1}^{m=k} B_m^q} \|f\|. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, from (4.5) and the classical Levy Theorem ( $\|f\|$  being in  $L_{\mathbb{R}}^1(\mathcal{F})$ ), it follows that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|E^{\mathcal{F}^n}(f) - f\| \leq 2 \left( 1_{\Omega \setminus \cup_{m=1}^{m=k} B_m^q} \|f\| + \frac{1}{q} \right),$$

a.s. for all  $k \geq 1$  and all  $q \geq 1$ . Since  $P(\cup_m B_m^q) = 1$ , by passing to the limit when  $k \rightarrow \infty$  and  $q \rightarrow \infty$ , respectively, we get the desired conclusion, and the proof is finished.  $\square$

## 5. STRONG CONVERGENCE OF MARTINGALES IN $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$

The main result of this section asserts that under the  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{R}(X_w^*))$ -tightness condition every bounded martingale in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  norm converges a.s. We begin with the following decomposition result for martingales which is borrowed from [7]. For the convenience of the reader we give a detailed proof.

**Proposition 5.1.** *Let  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be a bounded martingale in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ . Then there exists  $f_\infty \in L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  such that*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f_n - E^{\mathcal{F}^n} f_\infty\| = 0 \text{ a.s. and,}$$

$(f_n)$   $w^*$ -converges to  $f_\infty$  a.s.

*Proof.* As  $(f_n)$  is a bounded martingale in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  for each  $x \in X$ ,  $(\langle x, f_n \rangle)$  is a bounded real martingale in  $L_{\mathbb{R}}^1(\mathcal{F})$ , hence it converges a.s. to a function  $r_x \in L_{\mathbb{R}}^1(\mathcal{F})$  for every  $x \in X$ . By using [11, Theorem 6.1(4)], we provide an increasing sequence  $(A_p)_{p \geq 1}$  in  $\mathcal{F}$  with  $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} P(A_p) = 1$ , a function  $f_\infty \in L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  and a subsequence  $(f'_n)_{n \geq 1}$  of  $(f_n)$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{A_p} \langle h, f'_n \rangle dP = \int_{A_p} \langle h, f_\infty \rangle dP$$

for all  $p \geq 1$  and all  $h \in L_X^\infty(\mathcal{F})$ . So by identifying the limit, we get  $r_x = \langle x, f_\infty \rangle$  a.s. Hence

$$(5.1) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x, f_n \rangle = \langle x, f_\infty \rangle, \text{ a.s. for all } x \in X$$

and then in view of the classical Levy's theorem

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [\langle x, f_n \rangle - \langle x, E^{\mathcal{F}^n}(f_\infty) \rangle] = 0 \text{ a.s. for all } x \in X.$$

Furthermore,  $\{(\langle x_\ell, f_n \rangle - \langle x_\ell, E^{\mathcal{F}^n}(f_\infty) \rangle)_{n \geq 1} : \ell \geq 1\}$  is a countable family of real-valued  $L_{\mathbb{R}}^1(\mathcal{F})$ -bounded martingales, thus invoking [28, Lemma V.2.9], we see that

$$(5.2) \quad \begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f_n - E^{\mathcal{F}^n} f_\infty\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\ell \geq 1} [\langle x_\ell, f_n \rangle - \langle x_\ell, E^{\mathcal{F}^n}(f_\infty) \rangle] \\ &= \sup_{\ell \geq 1} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [\langle x_\ell, f_n \rangle - \langle x_\ell, E^{\mathcal{F}^n}(f_\infty) \rangle] = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\sup_n \|E^{\mathcal{F}^n}(f_\infty)\| \leq \sup_n E^{\mathcal{F}^n} \|f_\infty\| < \infty,$$

equation (5.2) entails

$$\sup_n \|f_n\| < \infty \text{ a.s.}$$

Invoking the separability of  $X$  and (5.1), we get

$$(f_n) \text{ } w^*\text{-converges to } f_\infty \text{ a.s.,}$$

by a routine argument. This completes the proof.  $\square$

Propositions 4.5 and 5.1 together allow us to pass from weak star convergence to strong convergence of martingales.

**Theorem 5.1.** *Let  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be a bounded martingale in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  satisfying the following condition.*

$$(T) \quad \begin{aligned} &\text{There exists a } \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{R}(X_w^*))\text{-tight sequence } (g_n) \text{ in } L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F}) \\ &\text{with } g_n \in \text{co}\{f_i : i \geq n\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then there exists  $f_\infty \in L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  such that

$$(f_n) \text{ } s^*\text{-converges to } f_\infty \text{ a.s.}$$

*Proof.* Let  $(g_n)$  be as in condition  $(\mathcal{T})$ . By Proposition 5.1, there exists  $f_\infty \in L^1_{X^*}[X](\mathcal{F})$  such that

- (a)  $\|f_n - E^{\mathcal{F}_n}(f_\infty)\| \rightarrow 0$  a.s.  
 (b)  $(f_n)$   $w^*$ -converges to  $f_\infty$  a.s.

By (b),  $(f_n)$  is pointwise bounded a.s., and so is the sequence  $(g_n)$ . Consequently,  $(g_n)$  is  $\mathcal{S}(cwk(X_w^*))$ -tight, since it is  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{R}(X_w^*))$ -tight (by  $(\mathcal{T})$ ). Furthermore, we have

$$(g_n) \text{ } w^*\text{-converges to } f_\infty \text{ a.s.}$$

Therefore, noting that  $(g_n)$  is adapted w.r.t. a subsequence of  $\mathcal{F}_n$ , we conclude that  $f_\infty$  is  $\sigma$ -measurable in view of Proposition 4.2. In turn, by Proposition 4.5, this ensures the a.s.  $s^*$ -convergence of  $E^{\mathcal{F}_n}(f_\infty)$  to  $f_\infty$ . Coming back to (a), we get the desired conclusion.  $\square$

An alternative proof of Theorem 5.1 via a standard stopping time argument is also available. We want to emphasize that some of the arguments used in this proof will be helpful in the next section.

*Second proof.* Reasoning as at the beginning of the proof of Proposition 5.1 we find a function  $f_\infty \in L^1_{X^*}[X](\mathcal{F})$  such that

$$(5.3) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x, f_n(\omega) \rangle = \langle x, f_\infty(\omega) \rangle \text{ a.s. for all } x \in X.$$

1) Suppose that  $\sup_n \|f_n\| \in L^1_{\mathbb{R}}(\mathcal{F})$ . Then equation (5.3) implies

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_A \langle x, f_n \rangle dP = \int_A \langle x, f_\infty \rangle dP$$

for all  $x \in X$  and for all  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ . Since  $(f_n)$  is a martingale, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_A \langle x, f_m \rangle dP &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty, n \geq m} \int_A \langle x, f_n \rangle dP \\ &= \int_A \langle x, f_\infty \rangle dP = \int_A \langle x, E^{\mathcal{F}_m}(f_\infty) \rangle dP \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in X$ ,  $m \geq 1$  and  $A \in \mathcal{F}_m$ . Hence

$$f_m = E^{\mathcal{F}_m}(f_\infty) \text{ a.s. for all } m \geq 1,$$

by the separability of  $X$ . On the other hand, the sequence  $(g_n)$  appearing in the condition  $(\mathcal{T})$  above is  $\mathcal{S}(cwk(X_w^*))$ -tight, since it is  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{R}(X_w^*))$ -tight and pointwise-bounded almost surely in view of the inequality

$$\sup_{n \geq 1} \|g_n(\omega)\| \leq \sup_{n \geq 1} \|f_n(\omega)\| < \infty \text{ a.s.}$$

Further, from (5.3) it follows

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x, g_n \rangle = \langle x, f_\infty \rangle \text{ a.s.,}$$

for every  $x \in X$ . Taking into account Proposition 4.2, it follows that  $f_\infty$  is  $\sigma$ -measurable. Therefore, by Proposition 4.5,  $(f_n)$   $s^*$ -converges a.s. to  $f_\infty$ .

2) The case  $\sup_n \int_{\Omega} \|f_n\| dP < \infty$ . For each  $t > 0$ , define the following well known stopping time

$$\sigma_t(\omega) = \begin{cases} n & \text{if } \|f_i(\omega)\| \leq t, \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, n-1 \text{ and } \|f_n(\omega)\| \geq t, \\ +\infty & \text{if } \|f_i(\omega)\| \leq t, \text{ for all } i. \end{cases}$$

Then, following the same lines as those of the  $L_E^1(\mathcal{F})$  case ([15], [19]) we show that:

- (i)  $(f_{\sigma_t \wedge n}, \mathcal{F}_{\sigma_t \wedge n})$  is a  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ -bounded martingale.
- (ii) The function  $\omega \rightarrow \sup_n \|f_{\sigma_t \wedge n}(\omega)\|$  is integrable.
- (iii)  $P(A_t := \{\omega : \sigma_t(\omega) = \infty\}) \rightarrow 1$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

Moreover, using (5.3) it is not difficult to check that

$$(5.4) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x, f_{\sigma_t \wedge n}(\omega) \rangle = \langle x, f_{\infty}^t(\omega) \rangle, \text{ a.s.}$$

for every  $x \in X$ , where

$$f_{\infty}^t(\omega) := \begin{cases} f_{\infty}(\omega) & \text{if } \omega \in A_t, \\ f_{\sigma_t(\omega)}(\omega) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

By (5.4), it is clear that  $f_{\infty}^t$  is scalarly  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable. Furthermore, one has

$$\|f_{\infty}^t\| \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \|f_{\sigma_t \wedge n}\| \text{ a.s.}$$

which in view of (i) and Fatou's lemma (or (ii)) shows that  $\|f_{\infty}^t\|$  is integrable. Thus  $f_{\infty}^t \in L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ .

Now, writing each  $g_n$  in the form

$$g_n = \sum_{i=n}^{k_n} \mu_n^i f_i \text{ with } 0 \leq \mu_n^i \leq 1 \text{ and } \sum_{i=n}^{k_n} \mu_n^i = 1,$$

we define

$$g_n^t(\omega) := \sum_{i=n}^{k_n} \mu_n^i f_{\sigma_t \wedge n}(\omega), \quad (t > 0).$$

Observing that

$$g_n^t(\omega) = \begin{cases} g_n(\omega) & \text{if } \omega \in A_t, \\ f_{\sigma_t(\omega)}(\omega) & \text{otherwise for all } n \geq \sigma_t(\omega), \end{cases}$$

we conclude that  $(g_n^t(\omega))$  is  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{R}(X_w^*))$ -tight and equation (5.4) entails the following convergence

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x, g_n^t(\omega) \rangle = \langle x, f_{\infty}^t(\omega) \rangle, \text{ a.s.}$$

for every  $x \in X$ . Consequently, by (i), (ii), (5.4) and the first part of the proof, it follows that  $(f_{\sigma_t \wedge n})$   $s^*$ -converges a.s. to  $f_{\infty}^t$ . Since  $(f_{\sigma_t \wedge n})$  and  $f_{\infty}^t$  respectively, coincide with  $(f_n)$  and  $f_{\infty}$  on  $A_t$  and  $P(A_t) \rightarrow 1$  when  $t \rightarrow \infty$  (in view of (iii)), we deduce that  $(f_n)$   $s^*$ -converges a.s. to  $f_{\infty}$ .  $\square$

Now here are some important corollaries.

**Corollary 5.1.** *Let  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be a bounded martingale in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  satisfying the following condition*

$(\mathcal{T}^+)$  *There exists a  $\mathcal{R}(X_w^*)$ -tight sequence  $(g_n)$  with  $g_n \in \text{co}\{f_i : i \geq n\}$ .*

*Then there exists  $f_\infty \in L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  such that*

$$(f_n) \text{ s}^*\text{-converges a.s. to } f_\infty.$$

*Proof.* In view of Proposition 2.2,  $(\mathcal{T}^+)$  implies  $(\mathcal{T})$ . This implication is also a consequence of Corollary 3.1. □

As a special case of this corollary we obtain the following extension of Chatterji result [16] (see also [19, Corollary II.3.1.7]) to the space  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ .

**Corollary 5.2.** *Let  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be a bounded martingale in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ . Suppose there exists a  $\text{cwk}(X_w^*)$ -valued multifunction  $K$  such that*

$$f_n(\omega) \in K(\omega) \text{ for all } n \geq 1.$$

*Then there exists  $f_\infty \in L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  such that  $(f_n)$  s\*-converges a.s. to  $f_\infty$ .*

**Corollary 5.3.** *Let  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be a bounded martingale in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  and let  $f_\infty \in L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  be such that*

$$(\star) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_\ell, f_n(\omega) \rangle = \langle x_\ell, f_\infty(\omega) \rangle \text{ a.s. for all } \ell \geq 1.$$

*Then the following statements are equivalent*

- (1)  $(f_n)$  s\*-converges to  $f_\infty$  a.s.
- (2) There exists a sequence  $(g_n)$  with  $g_n \in \text{co}\{f_i : i \geq n\}$  which a.s. w-converges to  $f_\infty$ .
- (3)  $f_\infty$  is  $\sigma$ -measurable.

*Proof.* The implication (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) is obvious, whereas (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) follows from Corollary 4.1.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): A close look at the first proof of Theorem 5.1 reveals that the condition  $(\mathcal{T})$  may be replaced with  $(\star)$  and (3). □

It is worth to give the following variant of Proposition 5.1–Theorem 5.1.

**Proposition 5.2.** *Let  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be a martingale in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  satisfying the following two conditions:*

- (C<sub>1</sub>) *For each  $\ell \geq 1$ , there exists a sequence  $(h_n)$  with  $h_n \in \text{co}\{f_i : i \geq n\}$  such that  $(\langle x_\ell, h_n \rangle)$  is uniformly integrable.*
- (C<sub>2</sub>)  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f_n\| \in L_{\mathbb{R}}^1(\mathcal{F})$

*Then there exists  $f_\infty \in L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  such that*

$$f_n = E^{\mathcal{F}_n}(f_\infty) \text{ for all } n \geq 1 \text{ a.s. and}$$

$$(f_n) \text{ w}^*\text{-converges to } f_\infty \text{ a.s.}$$

*Furthermore, if the condition  $(\mathcal{T})$  is satisfied, then*

$$(f_n) \text{ s}^*\text{-converges to } f_\infty \text{ a.s.}$$

*Proof.* Let  $\ell \geq 1$  be fixed and let  $(h_n)$  be the sequence associated to  $\ell$  according with  $(C_1)$ . As the sequence  $(\langle x_\ell, h_n \rangle)$  is uniformly integrable, there exist a subsequence  $(h_{n_k})$  of  $(h_n)$  (possibly depending upon  $\ell$ ) and a function  $\varphi_\ell \in L^1_{\mathbb{R}}(\mathcal{F})$  such that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_A \langle x_\ell, h_{n_k} \rangle dP = \int_A \varphi_\ell dP$$

for every  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ . Since  $h_n \in \text{co}\{f_i : i \geq n\}$  and  $(\langle x_\ell, f_n \rangle)_n$  is a martingale, it is easy to check that

$$\int_A \langle x_\ell, h_{n_k} \rangle dP = \int_A \langle x_\ell, f_m \rangle dP$$

for all  $k \geq m$  and  $A \in \mathcal{F}_m$ . Therefore

$$\int_A \langle x_\ell, f_m \rangle dP = \int_A \varphi_\ell dP \quad \text{for all } A \in \mathcal{F}_m$$

which is equivalent to

$$(5.5) \quad \langle x_\ell, f_m \rangle = E^{\mathcal{F}_m}(\varphi_\ell) \quad \text{a.s.}$$

This holds for all  $\ell \geq 1$  and  $m \geq 1$ . Using the classical Levy's theorem, we get

$$(5.6) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \langle x_\ell, f_n \rangle = \varphi_\ell \quad \text{a.s. for all } \ell \geq 1.$$

On the other hand, by  $(C_2)$  and the cluster point approximation theorem [2, Theorem 1]), (see also [18]), there exists an increasing sequence  $(\tau_n)$  in  $T$  with  $\tau_n \geq n$  for all  $n$ , such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f_{\tau_n}\| = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f_n\| \quad \text{a.s.}$$

Then, for each  $\omega$  outside a negligible set  $N$ , the sequence  $(f_{\tau_n}(\omega))$  is bounded in  $X^*$ ; hence it is relatively  $w^*$ -sequentially compact (the weak star topology being metrizable on bounded sets). Therefore, there exists a subsequence of  $(f_{\tau_n})$  (possibly depending upon  $\omega$ ) not relabeled and an element  $x_\omega^* \in X^*$  such that

$$(f_{\tau_n}(\omega)) \quad w^*\text{-converges to } x_\omega^*.$$

Define  $f_\infty(\omega) := x_\omega^*$  for  $\omega \in \Omega \setminus N$  and  $f_\infty(\omega) := 0$  for  $\omega \in N$ . Then, taking into account (5.6), we get

$$(5.7) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \langle x_\ell, f_n \rangle = \langle x_\ell, f_\infty \rangle = \varphi_\ell \quad \text{a.s. for all } \ell \geq 1.$$

This implies the scalar  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurability of  $f_\infty$ . Furthermore, one has

$$\|f_\infty\| \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \|f_n\| \quad \text{a.s.}$$

which in view of  $(C_2)$  shows that  $\|f_\infty\|$  is integrable. Thus  $f_\infty \in L^1_{X^*}[X](\mathcal{F})$ . Next, replacing  $\varphi_\ell$  in (5.5) with  $\langle x_\ell, f_\infty \rangle$  (because of the second equality of (5.7)), we get

$$f_n = E^{\mathcal{F}_n}(f_\infty) \quad \text{a.s. for all } n \geq 1.$$

In particular, this yields

$$(5.8) \quad \sup_n \|f_n\| \leq \sup_n E^{\mathcal{F}_n} \|f_\infty\| < \infty \quad \text{a.s.}$$



Using the separability of  $X$ , (5.7) and (5.8), we get

$$(f_n) \text{ } w^*\text{-converges to } f_\infty \text{ a.s.}$$

Finally, if the condition  $(\mathcal{T})$  is satisfied, then, reasoning as in the first proof (or the first part of the second proof) of Theorem 5.1, we deduce that  $(f_n)$   $s^*$ -converges a.s. to  $f_\infty$ .  $\square$

We finish this section by extending Theorem 5.1 to mils. For this purpose the following decomposition result is needed [7, Corollary 3.1].

**Proposition 5.3.** *Let  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be a bounded mil in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ . Then there exists  $f_\infty \in L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  such that*

$$\begin{aligned} \|f_n - E^{\mathcal{F}_n}(f_\infty)\| &\rightarrow 0 \text{ a.s. and} \\ (f_n) &w^*\text{-converges to } f_\infty \text{ a.s.} \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* As  $(f_n)$  is a bounded mil in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  for each  $x \in X$ ,  $(\langle x, f_n \rangle)$  is a bounded real mil in  $L_{\mathbb{R}}^1(\mathcal{F})$ , hence it converges a.s. to a function  $r_x \in L_{\mathbb{R}}^1(\mathcal{F})$ . On the other hand, using [11, Theorem 6.1(4)], we provide an increasing sequence  $(A_p)_{p \geq 1}$  in  $\mathcal{F}$  with  $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} P(A_p) = 1$ , a function  $f_\infty \in L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  and a subsequence  $(f'_n)_{n \geq 1}$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{A_p} \langle h, f'_n \rangle dP = \int_{A_p} \langle h, f_\infty \rangle dP$$

for all  $p \geq 1$  and  $h \in L_X^\infty(\mathcal{F})$ . By identifying the limit, we get  $r_x = \langle x, f_\infty \rangle$  a.s. Thus

$$(5.9) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x, f_n(\omega) \rangle = \langle x, f_\infty(\omega) \rangle \text{ a.s.,}$$

for every  $x \in X$ . So the real mil  $(\langle x, f_n - E^{\mathcal{F}_n}(f_\infty) \rangle)$  converges to 0 a.s. Consequently, it is possible to invoke an important result of Talagrand, ([34, Theorem 6]) which gives

$$\|f_n - E^{\mathcal{F}_n}(f_\infty)\| \rightarrow 0 \text{ a.s.}$$

As

$$\sup_{n \geq 1} \|E^{\mathcal{F}_n}(f_\infty)\| \leq \sup_{n \geq 1} E^{\mathcal{F}_n}(\|f_\infty\|) < \infty \text{ a.s.,}$$

we deduce that

$$\sup_{n \geq 1} \|f_n\| < \infty \text{ a.s.}$$

Then, using (5.9), the separability of  $X$  and the point-wise boundedness of  $(f_n)$ , we obtain the a.s.  $w^*$ -convergence of  $(f_n)$  to  $f_\infty$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 5.2.** *Let  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be a bounded mil in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  satisfying the condition  $(\mathcal{T})$ . Then there exists  $f_\infty \in L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  such that*

$$(f_n) \text{ } s^*\text{-converges a.s. to } f_\infty.$$

*Proof.* The proof is similar to the one given in Theorem 5.1 by using Proposition 5.3 instead of Proposition 5.1.  $\square$

6. THE SPECIAL CASE OF MARTINGALES IN THE SUBSPACE  
OF  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  OF ALL PETTIS-INTEGRABLE FUNCTIONS

In this section we provide a version of Theorem 5.1 in the special case of martingales in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  whose members are also Pettis-integrable and satisfy a condition formulated in the manner of Marraffa [25]. For this purpose we need to recall a few extra definitions.

A function  $f : \Omega \rightarrow X^*$  is said to be  $X^{**}$ -scalarly  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable if for each  $x^{**} \in X^{**}$ , the real-valued function  $\langle x^{**}, f \rangle$  is  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable. We say also that  $f$  is weakly  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable. If  $f : \Omega \rightarrow X^*$  is a weakly  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable function such that  $\langle x^{**}, f \rangle \in L_{\mathbb{R}}^1(\mathcal{F})$  for all  $x^{**} \in X^{**}$ , then for each  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ , there is  $x_A^{***} \in X^{***}$  such that

$$\langle x^{**}, x_A^{***} \rangle = \int_A \langle x^{**}, f \rangle dP.$$

The vector  $x_A^{***}$  is called the *Dunford integral* of  $f$  over  $A$ . In the case that  $x_A^{***} \in X^*$  for all  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $f$  is called *Pettis-integrable* and we write  $P - \int_A f dP$  instead of  $x_A^{***}$  to denote the *Pettis integral* of  $f$  over  $A$ . We denote by  $P_{X^*}^1(\mathcal{F})$  the space of (equivalence class of) Pettis-integrable  $X^*$ -valued functions defined on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ . Clearly, we have

$$P - \int_A f dP = \int_A f dP$$

for all  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ , whenever  $f$  is Pettis-integrable.

Before going further, we reformulate Corollary 3.1 under condition  $(\mathcal{T}^+)$  for functions in the subspace  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F}) \cap P_{X^*}^1(\mathcal{F})$ .

**Proposition 6.1.** *Let  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be a bounded sequence in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  whose members are also Pettis-integrable. If  $(f_n)$  satisfies the condition  $(\mathcal{T}^+)$ , then there exist a function  $f_\infty \in L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F}) \cap P_{X^*}^1(\mathcal{F})$  and a sequence  $(g_n)$  in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  with  $g_n \in \text{co}\{f_i : i \geq n\}$  such that*

$$(g_n) \text{ } s^* \text{-converges to } f_\infty \text{ a.s.}$$

*Proof.* Let  $(g_n)$  be as mentioned in  $(\mathcal{T}^+)$ . Since  $(f_n)$  is bounded in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ , so is the sequence  $(g_n)$  which is also  $\mathcal{R}(X_w^*)$ -tight (by  $(\mathcal{T}^+)$ ). Consequently, using Corollary 3.1 and its proof, we provide a sequence of convex combinations of the  $(g_n)$  not relabeled, a function  $f_\infty \in L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  and an increasing sequence  $(B_p)$  of measurable sets with  $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} P(B_p) = 1$  such that

- (i)  $(g_n)$   $s^*$ -converges almost surely to  $f_\infty$ .
- (ii) For each  $p \geq 1$ ,  $(1_{B_p} g_n)$  converges strongly in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  to  $1_{B_p} f_\infty$ .

Next, we will prove that  $f_\infty$  is Pettis integrable. Noting that the functions  $g_n$  are Pettis integrable, conclusion (i) shows that  $f_\infty$  is  $X^{**}$ -scalarly  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable, and hence  $X^{**}$ -scalarly integrable (that is, for every  $x^{**} \in X^{**}$ , the scalar function  $\omega \rightarrow \langle x^{**}, f_\infty(\omega) \rangle$  is integrable) because  $\|f_\infty\| \in L_{\mathbb{R}}^1(\mathcal{F})$ . Consequently, (ii) implies

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_A \langle x^{**}, 1_{B_p} g_n \rangle dP = \int_\Omega \langle x^{**}, 1_{B_p} f_\infty \rangle dP$$

for all  $p \geq 1$ ,  $x^{**} \in X^{**}$  and  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ . This equation together with (ii) entails

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \langle x^{**}, \int_A 1_{B_p} f_\infty \, dP \rangle - \int_A \langle x^{**}, 1_{B_p} f_\infty \rangle \, dP \right| \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \langle x^{**}, \int_A 1_{B_p} f_\infty \, dP \rangle - \int_A \langle x^{**}, 1_{B_p} g_n \rangle \, dP \right| \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \langle x^{**}, \int_A 1_{B_p} f_\infty \, dP \rangle - \langle x^{**}, \int_A 1_{B_p} g_n \, dP \rangle \right| \\
&\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \int_A 1_{B_p} f_\infty \, dP - \int_A 1_{B_p} g_n \, dP \right\| \\
&\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_A \|1_{B_p} f_\infty \, dP - 1_{B_p} g_n\| \, dP = 0
\end{aligned}$$

for all  $x^{**} \in X^{**}$  and  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ . Hence  $1_{B_p} f_\infty$  is Pettis integrable for all  $p \geq 1$ . This yields to

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \langle x^{**}, \int_A f_\infty \, dP \rangle - \int_A \langle x^{**}, f_\infty \rangle \, dP \right| \\
&\leq \left| \langle x^{**}, \int_A 1_{B_p} f_\infty \, dP \rangle - \int_\Omega \langle x^{**}, 1_{B_p} f_\infty \rangle \, dP \right| \\
&\quad + \left| \langle x^{**}, \int_A 1_{\Omega \setminus B_p} f_\infty \, dP \rangle - \int_\Omega \langle x^{**}, 1_{\Omega \setminus B_p} f_\infty \rangle \, dP \right| \\
&\leq 2 \int_A 1_{\Omega \setminus B_p} \|f_\infty\| \, dP
\end{aligned}$$

for all  $p \geq 1$ . Letting  $p \rightarrow +\infty$ , we get

$$\langle x^{**}, \int_A f_\infty \, dP \rangle = \int_A \langle x^{**}, f_\infty \rangle \, dP,$$

for all  $x^{**} \in X^{**}$  and  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ , thus  $f_\infty$  is Pettis integrable.  $\square$

**Remark 6.1.** If  $X$  does not contain any isomorphic copy of  $\ell_1$  (or equivalently  $X^*$  has the weak Radon-Nikodym property (WRNP)), then, according to Theorem 3 of Musial [26], every  $X$ -scalarly integrable function  $f: \Omega \rightarrow X^*$  (that is, for every  $x \in X$ ,  $\langle x, f \rangle \in L^1_{\mathbb{R}}(\mathcal{F})$ ) is Pettis integrable, and hence each member of  $L^1_{X^*}[X](\mathcal{F})$  is Pettis-integrable, i.e.  $L^1_{X^*}[X](\mathcal{F}) \subset P^1_{X^*}(\mathcal{F})$ .

Now we are ready to state the main result of this section which can be seen as a dual variant of [17, Theorem 3]. For this purpose, recall that a subset  $H \subset X^{**}$  is *total* if it separates the points of  $X^*$ , that is,  $H$  is total if  $\langle x^{**}, x^* \rangle = 0$  for all  $x^{**} \in H$  implies  $x^* = 0$ .

**Proposition 6.2.** *Let  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be a bounded martingale in  $L^1_{X^*}[X](\mathcal{F})$  whose members are also Pettis-integrable satisfying the following condition.*

( $\mathcal{T}^-$ ) *There exist a total subset  $H$  of  $X^{**}$ , a  $\sigma$ -measurable function  $f$  in  $L^0_{X^*}[X](\mathcal{F})$  and an increasing sequence  $(B_p)$  of measurable sets with  $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} P(B_p) = 1$  such that for every  $p \geq 1$ ,  $1_{B_p} f \in P^1_{X^*}(\mathcal{F})$  and to each corresponds a sequence  $(g_n)$  in  $L^1_{X^*}[X](\mathcal{F})$  with  $g_n \in \text{co}\{f_i : i \geq n\}$  satisfying*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x^{**}, g_n \rangle = \langle x^{**}, f \rangle \text{ a.s. for each } x^{**} \in H.$$

Then  $f \in L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F}) \cap P_{X^*}^1(\mathcal{F})$  and we have

$$(f_n) \text{ } s^* \text{-converges to } f \text{ a.s.}$$

Note that the function  $f$  in condition  $(\mathcal{T}^-)$  is necessarily weakly measurable, since the functions  $1_{B_p} f$  ( $p \geq 1$ ) are weakly measurable and  $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} P(B_p) = 1$ .

**Remark 6.2.** In view of Proposition 6.1, condition  $(\mathcal{T}^-)$  is weaker than  $(\mathcal{T}^+)$  when dealing with bounded sequences in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  whose members are also Pettis-integrable.

Taking account of Proposition 5.2, we deduce the following variant of Proposition 6.2.

**Corollary 6.1.** *Let  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be a martingale in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F}) \cap P_{X^*}^1(\mathcal{F})$  satisfying the conditions  $(C_1)$ ,  $(C_2)$  and  $(\mathcal{T}^-)$ . Then the limit function  $f$  in  $(\mathcal{T}^-)$  belongs to  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F}) \cap P_{X^*}^1(\mathcal{F})$  and we have*

$$(f_n) \text{ } s^* \text{-converges to } f \text{ a.s.}$$

**Remark 6.3.** In Proposition 6.2 as well as in Corollary 6.1, condition  $(\mathcal{T}^-)$  may be replaced with  $\mathcal{T}^{--}$ .

$(\mathcal{T}^{--})$  There exist a total subspace  $H$  of  $X^{**}$ , a  $\sigma$ -measurable function  $f$  in  $L_{X^*}^0[X](\mathcal{F})$  and an increasing sequence  $(B_p)$  of measurable sets with  $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} P(B_p) = 1$  such that, for every  $p \geq 1$ ,  $1_{B_p} f \in P_{X^*}^1(\mathcal{F})$ , and  $\langle x^{**}, f \rangle$  is a cluster point of  $(\langle x^{**}, f_n \rangle)$  a.s. for each  $x^{**} \in H$ .

Indeed, let  $H$  and  $f$  be as mentioned in  $(\mathcal{T}^{--})$ . Let  $x^{**} \in H$  be arbitrary fixed. Then  $\langle x^{**}, f \rangle$  is a cluster point of  $(\langle x^{**}, f_n \rangle)$  a.s. Further,  $f$  is weakly measurable. Consequently, by the cluster point approximation theorem (Theorem 1, [2]), there exists an increasing sequence  $(\tau_n)$  in  $T$  (which may depend on  $x^{**}$ ) with  $\tau_n \geq n$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x^{**}, f_{\tau_n} \rangle = \langle x^{**}, f \rangle \text{ a.s.}$$

On the other hand, as  $(f_n)$  is a bounded martingale in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  and each  $f_n$  is Pettis integrable, it is easy to see that the sequence  $(\langle x^{**}, f_n \rangle)$  is a bounded real-valued martingale in  $L_{\mathbb{R}}^1(\mathcal{F})$ . So it converges a.s. to an integrable function in  $L_{\mathbb{R}}^1(\mathcal{F})$  which is necessarily a.s. equal to  $\langle x^{**}, f \rangle$ . Thus condition  $(\mathcal{T}^-)$  is satisfied.

*Proof of Proposition 6.2.* As  $(f_n)$  is a bounded martingale in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$ , by Proposition 5.1, there exists  $f_{\infty} \in L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  such that

$$(a) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f_n - E^{\mathcal{F}_n} f_{\infty}\| \text{ a.s.}$$

$$(b) \quad (f_n) \text{ } w^* \text{-converges to } f_{\infty} \text{ a.s.}$$

Next, let  $H$ ,  $f$  and  $(B_p)$  be as mentioned in  $(\mathcal{T}^-)$ . We will show that  $f_{\infty} = f$  a.s.; once this is done we can invoke (a), the  $\sigma$ -measurability of  $f$  and Proposition 4.5 to conclude that  $(f_n)$   $s^*$ -converges to  $f$  a.s.

We will use again a standard stopping time argument. Let  $\sigma_t$ ,  $A_t$  and  $f_\infty^t$  be defined exactly as in the second proof of Theorem 5.1. First, by the expression  $f_{\sigma_t \wedge n} = \sum_{k=\min \sigma_t \wedge n}^{\max \sigma_t \wedge n} f_k 1_{\{\sigma_t \wedge n = k\}}$  and since the functions  $f_n$  are Pettis-integrable, it is clear that the functions  $f_{\sigma_t \wedge n}$  are also Pettis-integrable. Further, from (b) it follows

$$(6.1) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x, f_{\sigma_t \wedge n} \rangle = \langle x, f_\infty^t \rangle.$$

Since  $(f_{\sigma_t \wedge n})$  is a uniformly integrable martingale, from (6.1) it follows

$$\begin{aligned} \int_A \langle x, f_{\sigma_t \wedge m} \rangle dP &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty, n \geq m} \int_A \langle x, f_{\sigma_t \wedge n} \rangle dP \\ &= \int_A \langle x, f_\infty^t \rangle dP = \int_A \langle x, E^{\mathcal{F}_{\sigma_t \wedge m}}(f_\infty^t) \rangle dP \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in X$ ,  $m \geq 1$  and  $A \in \mathcal{F}_{\sigma_t \wedge m}$ . Hence

$$f_{\sigma_t \wedge m} = E^{\mathcal{F}_{\sigma_t \wedge m}}(f_\infty^t) \text{ a.s. for all } m \geq 1,$$

by the separability of  $X$ . Next, let  $x^{**}$  be an arbitrary fixed element in  $H$ . Then, by  $(\mathcal{T}^-)$ , there exists a sequence  $(g_n)$  of the form

$$g_n = \sum_{i=n}^{k_n} \mu_n^i f_i \quad \text{with} \quad 0 \leq \mu_n^i \leq 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{i=n}^{k_n} \mu_n^i = 1$$

such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x^{**}, g_n \rangle = \langle x^{**}, f \rangle$$

which implies

$$(6.2) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x^{**}, g_n^t \rangle = \langle x^{**}, f^t \rangle,$$

where

$$g_n^t := \sum_{i=n}^{k_n} \mu_n^i f_{\sigma_t \wedge i}$$

and

$$f^t(\omega) := \begin{cases} f(\omega) & \text{if } \omega \in A_t, \\ f_{\sigma_t(\omega)}(\omega) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(see the second proof of Theorem 5.1). As the function  $\sup_n \|g_n^t\|$  is also integrable, (by (ii) and the inequality  $\sup_n \|g_n^t\| \leq \sup_n \|f_{\sigma_t \wedge n}\|$ ) equation (6.2) entails

$$(6.3) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_A \langle x^{**}, g_n^t \rangle dP = \int_A \langle x^{**}, f^t \rangle dP \quad \text{for all } A \in \mathcal{F}.$$

On the other hand, recalling that for each  $m \geq 1$ ,  $f_{\sigma_t \wedge m} = E^{\mathcal{F}_{\sigma_t \wedge m}}(f_\infty^t)$  a.s. and  $f_{\sigma_t \wedge m} \in P_{X^*}^1(\mathcal{F})$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_A \langle x^{**}, g_n^t \rangle dP &= \sum_{i=n}^{k_n} \mu_n^i \int_A \langle x^{**}, f_{\sigma_t \wedge i} \rangle dP = \int_A \langle x^{**}, f_{\sigma_t \wedge m} \rangle dP \\ &= \langle x^{**}, \int_A f_{\sigma_t \wedge m} dP \rangle = \langle x^{**}, \int_A E^{\mathcal{F}_{\sigma_t \wedge m}}(f_\infty^t) dP \rangle = \langle x^{**}, \int_A f_\infty^t dP \rangle \end{aligned}$$

for all  $m \geq 1$ ,  $n \geq m$  and  $A \in \mathcal{F}_{\sigma_t \wedge m}$ . Together with (6.3), we get

$$\int_A \langle x^{**}, f^t \rangle dP = \langle x^{**}, \int_A f_\infty^t dP \rangle$$

for all  $m \geq 1$  and  $A \in \mathcal{F}_{\sigma_t \wedge m}$ . Since the functions  $\langle x^{**}, f^t \rangle$  and  $\|f_\infty^t\|$  are integrable, this equality extends easily to all  $A \in \sigma(\cup_n \mathcal{F}_{\sigma_t \wedge n})$ . In particular, for all  $p \geq 1$  and for all  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ , we have

$$\int_{A \cap A^t \cap B_p} \langle x^{**}, f^t \rangle dP = \langle x^{**}, \int_{A \cap A^t \cap B_p} f_\infty^t dP \rangle$$

because  $A_t \cap \mathcal{F} \subset \sigma(\cup_n \mathcal{F}_{\sigma_t \wedge n})$  in view of the inclusion (‡) presented in Section 2. As  $1_{A^t} f_\infty^t = 1_{A^t} f_\infty$ ,  $1_{A^t} f^t = 1_{A^t} f$  and  $1_{B_p} f \in P_{X^*}^1(\mathcal{F})$  for all  $p \geq 1$ , it follows that

$$\langle x^{**}, \int_{A \cap A^t \cap B_p} f dP \rangle = \langle x^{**}, \int_{A \cap A^t \cap B_p} f_\infty dP \rangle$$

for all  $p \geq 1$  and  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ . Since this holds for all  $x^{**} \in H$  and  $H$  is total, we get

$$\int_A 1_{A^t \cap B_p} f dP = \int_A 1_{A^t \cap B_p} f_\infty dP$$

for every  $p \geq 1$  and  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ . Equivalently

$$1_{A^t \cap B_p} \langle x, f \rangle = 1_{A^t \cap B_p} \langle x, f_\infty \rangle \text{ a.s.}$$

for every  $p \geq 1$  and  $x \in X$ . Since  $X$  is separable,  $P(B_p) \rightarrow 1$  and  $P(A_t) \rightarrow 1$  when  $p, t \rightarrow \infty$ , it follows that

$$f = f_\infty \text{ a.s.}$$

Finally, to prove that  $f \in P_{X^*}^1(\mathcal{F})$ , it suffices to repeat the arguments used at the end of the proof of Proposition 6.1.  $\square$

We finish this work by providing the following result which extends Proposition 6.2 to mils. It can be seen as a mil version of the Ito-Nisio theorem (the main implication of it) (see [23]) in the framework of a dual space. For various martingale generalizations dealing with primal space, one can look at the contributions of Marraffa [25], Bouzar [4] and Luu [24].

**Proposition 6.3.** *Let  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be a bounded mil in  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F})$  whose members are also Pettis-integrable satisfying the condition  $(\mathcal{T}^{--})$ . Then  $f$  is a member of  $L_{X^*}^1[X](\mathcal{F}) \cap P_{X^*}^1(\mathcal{F})$  and we have*

$$(f_n) \text{ s}^* \text{-converges to } f \text{ a.s.,}$$

where  $f$  is the limit function in  $(\mathcal{T}^{--})$ .

For the sake of shortness, we refrain from giving the details of proofs and refer to our forthcoming work [29].

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