

GENERALIZED Φ -EPI MAPS AND TOPOLOGICAL COINCIDENCE PRINCIPLES

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Abstract. In this paper we present the notion of a Φ -epi map for a general class of maps and we present coincidence and homotopy properties for these maps.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The notion of a 0-epi map was introduced by Furi, Martelli and Vignoli [4] and extended in a variety of settings in the literature by other authors, see for example [5, 7, 9, 11]. In this paper we present a generalization of Φ -epi maps motivated in part, for example, from continuation theorems of set valued maps which have continuous selections [1, 2]. In particular we present coincidence, homotopy and normalization properties of these Φ -epi maps.

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