On strongly norm attaining Lipschitz maps

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- *M* is compact countable (Dalet, 2015)
- *M* is compact Hölder (Weaver, 1999)
- M is a closed subset of  $\mathbb R$  with measure 0 (Godard, 2010)

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#### Thank you for your attention