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REGULARITY AND EXTENSION OF MAPPINGS IN SEQUENTIAL SPACES

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Abstract: The class of all topological spaces Y with unique sequential limits that satisfy the following property (*) is characterized:

(*) For each sequential space X and each continuous mapping f of a dense subspace X_0 of X into Y if f can be continuously extended onto each subspace $X_0 \cup \{x\}$, $x \in X$, then it can be continuously extended onto X .

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§ 0

For the reader's convenience we shall in this section briefly outline how to construct a sequential space by means of convergent sequences (cf. [4], [5], [6]) and recall some facts about sequential spaces needed in the sequel.

In a non-empty set X we define a convergence \mathcal{L} , i.e. we declare some sequences of points to converge to their limit points such that:

(\mathcal{L}_1) - constant sequences converge,

(\mathcal{L}_2) - subsequences of convergent sequences converge,

(\mathcal{L}) - the set of limit points of any sequence is se-

quentially closed.

Notice that the condition

(\mathcal{L}_0) - each sequence has at most one limit point implies (\mathcal{F}) . The convergence of sequences in every topological space satisfies Conditions (\mathcal{L}_1) , (\mathcal{L}_2) , (\mathcal{F}) , while it may not satisfy (\mathcal{L}_0) .

Now, the set of all sequentially open sets forms a topology for X . In this sequential space a sequence $\langle x_n \rangle$ converges to a point x iff every subsequence $\langle x'_m \rangle$ of $\langle x_n \rangle$ contains a subsequence $\langle x''_m \rangle$ which \mathcal{L} -converges to x . The convergence \mathcal{L} is sometimes called a priori and the convergence in the sequential space X is called a posteriori. Similarly, as in [6, Lemma 5] it can be proved that if f_1, f_2 are continuous mappings of a sequential space X into a sequential space Y with unique sequential limits such that f_1 and f_2 coincide on a dense subset of X , then they are equal. Finally, to each topological space Y , a sequential space ${}_s Y$ corresponds such that if f is a mapping of a sequential space X into Y , then f is continuous iff f is continuous as a mapping of X into ${}_s Y$. The topology of the sequential space ${}_s Y$ consists of all sequentially open sets in Y .

§ 1

It is well-known that if f is a continuous mapping of a dense subspace X_0 of a topological space X into a regular space Y and f can be continuously extended onto each subspace $X_0 \cup \{x\}$, $x \in X$, then f can be continuous-

ly extended onto X . Moreover, the regularity assumption is essential (cf. [1, pp.857]). However, if X is supposed to be sequential, then the regularity condition can be weakened and, in view of § 0, the weaker condition should concern the space $\mathcal{S}Y$.

Definition 1. A sequential space Y in which a sequence $\langle y_m \rangle$ converges to y whenever every closed neighbourhood of y contains y_m for all but finitely many m is said to be convergence regular or briefly c-regular. A topological space Y is called c-regular if $\mathcal{S}Y$ is c-regular.

Theorem 1. In a sequential space Y the following conditions are equivalent:

(a) Y is c-regular.

(b) If $\langle y_m \rangle$ is a sequence and $y \in Y - \overline{U(y_m)}$, then there is a closed neighbourhood O of y such that $y_m \in Y - O$ for infinitely many m .

(c) If $\langle y_m \rangle$ is a sequence and $y \in Y - \overline{U(y_m)}$, then there is a subsequence $\langle y'_m \rangle$ of $\langle y_m \rangle$ such that y and $\overline{U(y'_m)}$ can be separated by disjoint open sets.

Proof. (a) \implies (b). If $\langle y_m \rangle$ is a sequence and $y \in Y - \overline{U(y_m)}$, then $\langle y_m \rangle$ does not converge to y and (b) follows from Definition 1.

(b) \implies (a). Let $\langle y_m \rangle$ be a sequence and let every closed neighbourhood of y contain y_m for all but finitely many m . Then the same holds for any subsequence $\langle y'_m \rangle$ of $\langle y_m \rangle$ and by (b) we have $y \in \overline{U(y'_m)}$ for any such $\langle y'_m \rangle$. It follows that $\langle y_m \rangle$ converges to y .

The proof of (b) \iff (c) is easy and omitted.

Theorem 2. Let X_0 be a dense subspace of a sequential space X . Let f be a continuous mapping of X_0 into a c-regular space Y . If f can be continuously extended onto each subspace $X_0 \cup \{x\}$, $x \in X$, then it can be continuously extended onto X .

Proof. Without loss of generality we can obviously suppose that $Y = \bar{Y}$. In this proof the bar always denotes the closure in X, Y respectively. Let for each $x \in X$ there be a continuous extension f_x of f onto the subspace $X_0 \cup \{x\}$. From the continuity of f_x it follows that

$$(i) \quad f_x(x) \in \overline{f[A]} \quad \text{for each } A \subset X_0, x \in \bar{A}.$$

Moreover,

(ii) if $y \in X_0 \cup \{x\}$ and $O \subset Y$ is an open set such that $f_x(y) \in O$, then $y \in \overline{f^{-1}[O]}$, since $f^{-1}[O] = f_x^{-1}[O] \cap X_0$ and X_0 is dense in X . Denote by F the mapping defined on X as follows:

$$(iii) \quad F(x) = f(x) \quad \text{for } x \in X_0, \\ F(x) = f_x(x) \quad \text{for } x \in X - X_0.$$

We shall prove that F is continuous (i.e. sequentially continuous). Let $x = \lim x_n$ in X and suppose that, on the contrary, $F(x) \in Y - \overline{U(F(x'_m))}$ for some subsequence $\langle x'_m \rangle$ of $\langle x_n \rangle$. Since Y is c-regular, there is a subsequence $\langle x''_m \rangle$ of $\langle x'_m \rangle$ and disjoint open sets $O_1, O_2 \subset Y$ such that $F(x) \in O_1$, $U(F(x''_m)) \subset O_2$. From (ii) it follows that for $m \in \mathbb{N}$ we have $x''_m \in \overline{f^{-1}[O_2]}$ and hence

$x \in \overline{U(x''_n)}$ implies $x \in \overline{f^{-1}[O_2]}$. On the other hand, from (i) and (iii) follows $F(x) \in f[f^{-1}[O_2]] \subset \overline{O_2} \subset Y - O_1$. This is a contradiction and the theorem is proved.

Theorem 3. Let Y be a topological space with unique sequential limits which is not c -regular. Then there exist a sequential space X , a dense subspace X_0 of X and a continuous mapping f of X_0 into Y such that f can be continuously extended onto each subspace $X_0 \cup \{x\}$, $x \in X$, but cannot be continuously extended onto X .

Proof. Again, it is sufficient to prove the theorem in the case of $Y = \mathfrak{R}Y$. According to (b) of Theorem 1 there is a sequence $\langle y_n \rangle$ and a point y in Y such that $y \in Y - \overline{U(y_n)}$ and for every closed neighbourhood O of y we have $y_n \in O$ for all but finitely many n . There are three possibilities:

1. The sequence $\langle y_n \rangle$ is totally divergent. We can suppose without loss of generality that $\langle y_n \rangle$ is one-to-one. Then there is a natural m such that the set $Y - \bigcup_{n > m} U(y_n)$ is dense in Y . For otherwise there is a subsequence $\langle y'_n \rangle$ of $\langle y_n \rangle$ such that the points y'_n are isolated. Thus $U(y'_n)$ is a closed-open set not containing y and we have a contradiction. Now, we enlarge the convergence in Y declaring all subsequences of $\langle y_n \rangle$ to be convergent to y and denote by X the induced sequential space. Clearly, the topology of X is coarser than that of Y . Finally, let $X_0 = Y - \bigcup_{n > m} U(y_n)$, let f be the identical mapping on X_0 considered as a mapping of X_0 into Y . Since X_0 is dense in Y , it is also dense in X . The identi-

cal mapping on each subspace $X_0 \cup \langle \psi_m \rangle$, $m > m_0$, is clearly the uniquely determined continuous extension of f , but it cannot be continuously extended onto X .

2. There is a one-to-one subsequence $\langle \psi'_m \rangle$ of $\langle \psi_m \rangle$ converging to a point $q \in Y$. Since Y is a sequential space with unique sequential limits, the set $\{q\}$ is closed and the open subspace $Y' = Y - \{q\}$ is sequential (cf. [2]). It is easy to see that in Y' we have $\psi'_m \in Y' - \overline{\langle \psi'_m \rangle}$ and $\psi'_m \in O$ for all but finitely many m for every closed neighbourhood O of q . Now we proceed similarly as in 1.

3. There is a point $x \in Y$ and a subsequence $\langle \psi'_m \rangle$ of $\langle \psi_m \rangle$ such that $\psi'_m = x$, $m = 1, 2, \dots$. Notice that Y is not Hausdorff in this case, since q and x cannot be separated by disjoint open sets. Let X be the union of a one-to-one double sequence $\langle x_{m,m} \rangle$ a one-to-one sequence $\langle x_m \rangle$ and a point x . We introduce into X a sequential topology by means of convergent sequences as follows: for each $a \in X$ the constant sequence $\langle a \rangle$ converges to a , for every m each subsequence $\langle a_m \rangle$ of $\langle x_{m,m} \rangle$ converges to x_m , each subsequence of $\langle x_m \rangle$ converges to x . Denote $X_0 = X - \cup \langle x_m \rangle$ the dense subspace of X and define a mapping f of X_0 into Y in the following way: $f(x_{m,m}) = x$, $f(x) = q$. Then f can be uniquely continuously extended onto each subspace $X_0 \cup \langle x_m \rangle$, but cannot be continuously extended onto X . This completes the proof.

Corollary. Let Y be a topological space with unique sequential limits. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

(d) Y is c-regular.

(*) For each sequential space X and each continuous mapping f of a dense subspace X_0 of X into Y if f can be continuously extended onto each subspace $X_0 \cup \{x\}$, $x \in X$, then it can be continuously extended onto X .

Example. Let Y be the real line the topology of which is enlarged in such a way that the sets $(-\epsilon, \epsilon) - \cup(\pi/m)$, $\epsilon > 0$, are also neighbourhoods of 0. Then Y is a Hausdorff (Fréchet) sequential space which is not c-regular.

§ 2

In this section we shall study further properties of c-regular spaces. We start with mutual relations between c-regularity and the separation axioms.

Theorem 4. A regular space is c-regular.

Proof. Let Y be a regular space. If $\langle y_n \rangle$ is a sequence and $y \in Y - \overline{\cup(y_n)}$ in Y , then there exists a subsequence $\langle y'_n \rangle$ of $\langle y_n \rangle$ such that $y \in Y - \overline{\cup(y'_n)}$ in Y . Since Y is regular, y and $\overline{\cup(y'_n)}$ can be separated by disjoint open sets in Y and hence in $\mathcal{S}Y$.

For our purpose we shall generalize the notion of sequential regularity introduced by J. Novák ([6]) for convergence closure spaces.

Definition 2. A topological space Y is said to be sequentially regular if the convergence of sequences in Y is projectively generated by the set of all continuous func-

tions on Y , i.e. $\langle y_m \rangle$ converges to y in Y whenever for each continuous function f on Y we have $f(y) = \lim f(y_m)$.

Notice that a sequentially regular space with unique sequential limits is completely Hausdorff.

Theorem 5. A sequentially regular space is c-regular.

Proof. Let Y be a sequentially regular space. If $\langle y_m \rangle$ is a sequence and $y \in Y - \overline{U(y_m)}$ in ${}_s Y$, then $\langle y_m \rangle$ does not converge to y in Y . Consequently, there is a continuous function f on Y such that $\langle f(y_m) \rangle$ does not converge to $f(y)$. Hence there is a subsequence $\langle y'_m \rangle$ of $\langle y_m \rangle$ such that $f(y) \in \mathbb{R} - \overline{U(f(y'_m))}$ and from the regularity of \mathbb{R} follows the existence of disjoint open sets $O_1, O_2 \subset \mathbb{R}$ such that $f(y) \in O_1, \overline{U(f(y'_m))} \subset O_2$. The sets $f^{-1}[O_1], f^{-1}[O_2]$ are open in ${}_s Y$ and separate y and $\overline{U(y'_m)}$.

Proposition 1. A c-regular sequential Hausdorff space need not be sequentially regular.

The well-known example of a regular space on which every continuous function is constant constructed by J. Novák in [4] yields a counter-example.

Proposition 2. A c-regular sequential Hausdorff space need not be regular.

Consider the convergence space L_{10} in [6, p.96]. The induced sequential space is a Hausdorff sequentially regular and hence, by Theorem 5, c-regular space. It is easy to verify that the space is not regular.

Notice that taking the disjoint topological sum (see Theorem 7) of the above two spaces we obtain a c-regular sequential Hausdorff space which is neither regular nor sequentially regular.

Theorem 6. A c-regular sequential T_1 space is Hausdorff.

Proof. Let Y be a c-regular sequential T_1 space and let $x, y \in Y, x \neq y$. Then the constant sequence $\langle x \rangle$ and y satisfy the assumption of (c) in Theorem 1 and hence can be separated by disjoint open sets.

Proposition 3. A c-regular T_1 space need not be Hausdorff.

As a counter-example there can serve the space constructed by V. Koutník in [3, Example 3].

Proposition 4. A c-regular sequential space need not be Hausdorff.

The two-point accrete space is a trivial counter-example.

Theorem 7. The class of all c-regular spaces is closed under formation of subspaces, disjoint topological sums and products.

Proof. The first two statements are self-evident. Let $Y = \prod Y_\alpha$ be a product of c-regular spaces $Y_\alpha, \alpha \in I$. Then Y is c-regular, for if $y \in Y - \overline{U(y_m)}$ in Y , then there is an index $\alpha \in I$ and a subsequence $\langle y'_m \rangle$ of $\langle y_m \rangle$ such that $\mu_\alpha(y) \in Y_\alpha - \overline{U(\mu_\alpha(y'_m))}$ in Y_α . Since Y_α is c-regular, the assertion follows immediately.

Proposition 5. A quotient of a sequential c-regular

space need not be c-regular.

Consider the convergence space L_{10} in [6, p.96]. The induced sequential space is c-regular (see Proposition 2). Let us identify the points $(\xi, 1)$, $\xi < \omega_1$, with $(1, 1)$ and take the quotient space. The quotient space of a sequential space is sequential (see [2]). Since the quotient space is T_1 non Hausdorff ($(1, 1)$, $(\omega_1, 1)$ cannot be separated), the proof follows from Theorem 6.

Proposition 6. Let G be a convergence commutative group. Then the induced sequential space need not be c-regular.

Consider the completion L_1 of the group of rational numbers constructed by J. Novák in [7]. The completion consists of the group of real numbers endowed with the sequential (Fréchet) Hausdorff topology finer than the usual one. The identical mapping on the rational numbers considered as a mapping on \mathbb{Q} into L_1 can be continuously extended onto each subspace $\mathbb{Q} \cup \{x\}$, x irrational, but cannot be continuously extended onto \mathbb{R} . Thus, by Theorem 2, L_1 is not c-regular.

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