

$C_0$ -SPACES AND  $C_1$ -SPACES

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ABSTRACT. The aim of this paper is to introduce the concepts of  $C_0$ -spaces and  $C_1$ -spaces and study its basic properties in closure spaces.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Closure spaces were introduced by E. Čech [2] and then studied by many authors, see e.g. [3,4,5,6]. M. Caldas and S. Jafari [1] introduced the notions of  $\wedge_\delta - R_0$  and  $\wedge_\delta - R_1$  topological spaces as a modification of the known notions of  $R_0$  and  $R_1$  topological spaces. In this paper, we introduce the concepts of  $C_0$ -spaces and  $C_1$ -spaces and study its basic properties in closure spaces.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

A map  $u : P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$  defined on the power set  $P(X)$  of a set  $X$  is called a *closure operator* on  $X$  and the pair  $(X, u)$  is called a *closure space* if the following axioms are satisfied :

(N1)  $u\emptyset = \emptyset$ ,

(N2)  $A \subseteq uA$  for every  $A \subseteq X$ ,

(N3)  $A \subseteq B \Rightarrow uA \subseteq uB$  for all  $A, B \subseteq X$ .

A closure operator  $u$  on a set  $X$  is called *additive* (respectively, *idempotent*) if  $A, B \subseteq X \Rightarrow u(A \cup B) = uA \cup uB$  ( respectively,  $A \subseteq X \Rightarrow uuA = uA$ ). A subset  $A \subseteq X$  is *closed* in the closure space  $(X, u)$  if  $uA = A$  and it is *open* if its complement is closed. The empty set and the whole space are both open and closed.

A closure space  $(Y, v)$  is said to be a *subspace* of  $(X, u)$  if  $Y \subseteq X$  and  $vA = uA \cap Y$  for each subset  $A \subseteq Y$ . If  $Y$  is closed in  $(X, u)$ , then the subspace  $(Y, v)$  of  $(X, u)$  is said to be closed too.

Let  $(X, u)$  and  $(Y, v)$  be closure spaces. A map  $f : (X, u) \rightarrow (Y, v)$  is said to be *continuous* if  $f(uA) \subseteq vf(A)$  for every subset  $A \subseteq X$ .

One can see that a map  $f : (X, u) \rightarrow (Y, v)$  is continuous if and only if  $uf^{-1}(B) \subseteq f^{-1}(vB)$  for every subset  $B \subseteq Y$ . Clearly, if  $f : (X, u) \rightarrow (Y, v)$  is continuous, then  $f^{-1}(F)$  is a closed subset of  $(X, u)$  for every closed subset  $F$  of  $(Y, v)$ .

Let  $(X, u)$  and  $(Y, v)$  be closure spaces and let  $f : (X, u) \rightarrow (Y, v)$  be a map. If  $f$  is continuous, then  $f^{-1}(G)$  is an open subset of  $(X, u)$  for every open subset  $G$  of  $(Y, v)$ .

Let  $(X, u)$  and  $(Y, v)$  be closure spaces. A map  $f : (X, u) \rightarrow (Y, v)$  is said to be *closed* ( resp. *open* ) if  $f(F)$  is a closed (resp. open) subset of  $(Y, v)$  whenever  $F$  is a closed (resp. open) subset of  $(X, u)$ .

The *product* of a family  $\{(X_\alpha, u_\alpha) : \alpha \in I\}$  of closure spaces, denoted by  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} (X_\alpha, u_\alpha)$ , is the closure space  $(\prod_{\alpha \in I} X_\alpha, u)$  where  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} X_\alpha$  denotes the cartesian product of sets  $X_\alpha$ ,  $\alpha \in I$ , and  $u$  is the closure operator generated by the projections  $\pi_\alpha : \prod_{\alpha \in I} (X_\alpha, u_\alpha) \rightarrow (X_\alpha, u_\alpha)$ ,  $\alpha \in I$ , i.e., is defined by  $uA = \prod_{\alpha \in I} u_\alpha \pi_\alpha(A)$  for each  $A \subseteq \prod_{\alpha \in I} X_\alpha$ .

The following statement is evident:

**Proposition 1.** *Let  $\{(X_\alpha, u_\alpha) : \alpha \in I\}$  be a family of closure spaces and let  $\beta \in I$ . Then the projection map  $\pi_\beta : \prod_{\alpha \in I} (X_\alpha, u_\alpha) \rightarrow (X_\beta, u_\beta)$  is closed and continuous.*

**Proposition 2.** *Let  $\{(X_\alpha, u_\alpha) : \alpha \in I\}$  be a family of closure spaces and let  $\beta \in I$ . Then  $F$  is a closed subset of  $(X_\beta, u_\beta)$  if and only if  $F \times \prod_{\substack{\alpha \neq \beta \\ \alpha \in I}} X_\alpha$  is a closed subset of  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} (X_\alpha, u_\alpha)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\beta \in I$  and let  $F$  be a closed subset of  $(X_\beta, u_\beta)$ . Since  $\pi_\beta$  is continuous,  $\pi_\beta^{-1}(F)$  is a closed subset of  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} (X_\alpha, u_\alpha)$ . But  $\pi_\beta^{-1}(F) = F \times \prod_{\substack{\alpha \neq \beta \\ \alpha \in I}} X_\alpha$ ,

hence  $F \times \prod_{\substack{\alpha \neq \beta \\ \alpha \in I}} X_\alpha$  is a closed subset of  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} (X_\alpha, u_\alpha)$ .

Conversely, let  $F \times \prod_{\substack{\alpha \neq \beta \\ \alpha \in I}} X_\alpha$  be a closed subset of  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} (X_\alpha, u_\alpha)$ . Since  $\pi_\beta$  is closed,  $\pi_\beta \left( F \times \prod_{\substack{\alpha \neq \beta \\ \alpha \in I}} X_\alpha \right) = F$  is a closed subset of  $(X_\beta, u_\beta)$ . □

**Proposition 3.** *Let  $\{(X_\alpha, u_\alpha) : \alpha \in I\}$  be a family of closure spaces and let  $\beta \in I$ . Then  $G$  is an open subset of  $(X_\beta, u_\beta)$  if and only if  $G \times \prod_{\substack{\alpha \neq \beta \\ \alpha \in I}} X_\alpha$  is an open subset of  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} (X_\alpha, u_\alpha)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\beta \in I$  and let  $G$  be an open subset of  $(X_\beta, u_\beta)$ . Since  $\pi_\beta$  is continuous,  $\pi_\beta^{-1}(G)$  is an open subset of  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} (X_\alpha, u_\alpha)$ . But  $\pi_\beta^{-1}(G) = G \times \prod_{\substack{\alpha \neq \beta \\ \alpha \in I}} X_\alpha$ ,

therefore  $G \times \prod_{\substack{\alpha \neq \beta \\ \alpha \in I}} X_\alpha$  is an open subset of  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} (X_\alpha, u_\alpha)$ .

Conversely, let  $G \times \prod_{\substack{\alpha \neq \beta \\ \alpha \in I}} X_\alpha$  be an open subset of  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} (X_\alpha, u_\alpha)$ . Then  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} X_\alpha - G \times \prod_{\substack{\alpha \neq \beta \\ \alpha \in I}} X_\alpha$  is a closed subset of  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} (X_\alpha, u_\alpha)$ . But  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} X_\alpha - G \times \prod_{\substack{\alpha \neq \beta \\ \alpha \in I}} X_\alpha = (X_\beta - G) \times \prod_{\substack{\alpha \neq \beta \\ \alpha \in I}} X_\alpha$ , hence  $(X_\beta - G) \times \prod_{\substack{\alpha \neq \beta \\ \alpha \in I}} X_\alpha$  is a closed subset of  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} (X_\alpha, u_\alpha)$ .

By Proposition 2,  $X_\beta - G$  is a closed subset of  $(X_\beta, u_\beta)$ . Consequently,  $G$  is an open subset of  $(X_\beta, u_\beta)$ . □

### 3. $C_0$ -SPACES AND $C_1$ -SPACES

**Definition 4.** A closure space  $(X, u)$  is said to be a  $C_0$ -space if, for every open subset  $G$  of  $(X, u)$ ,  $x \in G$  implies  $u\{x\} \subseteq G$ .

**Proposition 5.** *A closure space  $(X, u)$  is a  $C_0$ -space if and only if, for every closed subset  $F$  of  $(X, u)$  such that  $x \notin F$ ,  $u\{x\} \cap F = \emptyset$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $F$  be a closed subset of  $(X, u)$  such that  $x \notin F$ . Then  $X - F$  is an open subset of  $(X, u)$  such that  $x \in X - F$ . Since  $(X, u)$  is a  $C_0$ -space,  $u\{x\} \subseteq X - F$ . Consequently,  $u\{x\} \cap F = \emptyset$ .

Conversely, let  $G$  be an open subset of  $(X, u)$  and let  $x \in G$ . Then  $X - G$  is a closed subset of  $(X, u)$  such that  $x \notin X - G$ . Therefore,  $u\{x\} \cap (X - G) = \emptyset$ . Consequently,  $u\{x\} \subseteq G$ . Hence,  $(X, u)$  is a  $C_0$ -space.  $\square$

**Definition 6.** A closure space  $(X, u)$  is said to be a  $C_1$ -space if, for each  $x, y \in X$  such that  $u\{x\} \neq u\{y\}$ , there exists disjoint open subsets  $U$  and  $V$  of  $(X, u)$  such that  $u\{x\} \subseteq U$  and  $u\{y\} \subseteq V$ .

**Proposition 7.** Let  $(X, u)$  be a closure space. If  $(X, u)$  is a  $C_1$ -space, then  $(X, u)$  is a  $C_0$ -space.

*Proof.* Let  $U$  be an open subset of  $(X, u)$  and let  $x \in U$ . If  $y \notin U$ , then  $u\{x\} \neq u\{y\}$  because  $x \notin u\{y\}$ . Then there exists an open subset  $V_y$  of  $(X, u)$  such that  $u\{y\} \subseteq V_y$  and  $x \notin V_y$ , which implies  $y \notin u\{x\}$ . Thus,  $u\{x\} \subseteq U$ . Hence,  $(X, u)$  is a  $C_0$ -space.  $\square$

The converse is not true as can be seen from the following example.

**Example 8.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and define a closure operator  $u : P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$  on  $X$  by  $u\emptyset = \emptyset$ ,  $u\{a\} = \{a\}$ ,  $u\{b\} = u\{c\} = \{b, c\}$  and  $u\{a, b\} = u\{a, c\} = u\{b, c\} = uX = X$ . Then  $(X, u)$  is a  $C_0$ -space but not a  $C_1$ -space.

**Proposition 9.** A closure space  $(X, u)$  is a  $C_1$ -space if and only if, for every pair of points  $x, y$  of  $X$  such that  $u\{x\} \neq u\{y\}$ , there exists open subsets  $U$  and  $V$  of  $(X, u)$  such that  $x \in U$ ,  $y \in V$  and  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $(X, u)$  is a  $C_1$ -space. Let  $x, y$  be points of  $X$  such that  $u\{x\} \neq u\{y\}$ . There exists open subsets  $U$  and  $V$  of  $(X, u)$  such that  $x \in u\{x\} \subseteq U$  and  $y \in u\{y\} \subseteq V$ .

Conversely, suppose that there exists open subsets  $U$  and  $V$  of  $(X, u)$  such that  $x \in U$ ,  $y \in V$  and  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ . Since every  $C_1$ -space is  $C_0$ -space,  $u\{x\} \subseteq U$  and  $u\{y\} \subseteq V$ . This gives the statement.  $\square$

**Proposition 10.** Let  $\{(X_\alpha, u_\alpha) : \alpha \in I\}$  be a family of closure spaces. If  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} (X_\alpha, u_\alpha)$  is a  $C_0$ -space, then  $(X_\alpha, u_\alpha)$  is a  $C_0$ -space for each  $\alpha \in I$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} (X_\alpha, u_\alpha)$  is a  $C_0$ -space. Let  $\beta \in I$  and let  $G$  be an open subset of  $(X_\beta, u_\beta)$  such that  $x_\beta \in G$ . Then  $G \times \prod_{\substack{\alpha \neq \beta \\ \alpha \in I}} X_\alpha$  is an open subset of  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} (X_\alpha, u_\alpha)$  such that  $(x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I} \in G \times \prod_{\substack{\alpha \neq \beta \\ \alpha \in I}} X_\alpha$ . Since  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} (X_\alpha, u_\alpha)$  is a  $C_0$ -space,  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} u_\alpha \pi_\alpha(\{(x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}\}) \subseteq G \times \prod_{\substack{\alpha \neq \beta \\ \alpha \in I}} X_\alpha$ . Consequently,  $u_\beta \{x_\beta\} \subseteq G$ . Hence,  $(X_\beta, u_\beta)$  is a  $C_0$ -space. □

**Proposition 11.** *Let  $\{(X_\alpha, u_\alpha) : \alpha \in I\}$  be a family of closure spaces. If  $(X_\alpha, u_\alpha)$  is a  $C_1$ -space for each  $\alpha \in I$ , then  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} (X_\alpha, u_\alpha)$  is a  $C_1$ -space.*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $(X_\alpha, u_\alpha)$  is a  $C_1$ -space for each  $\alpha \in I$ . Let  $(x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$  and  $(y_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$  be points of  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} X_\alpha$  such that  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} u_\alpha \pi_\alpha(\{(x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}\}) \neq \prod_{\alpha \in I} u_\alpha \pi_\alpha(\{(y_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}\})$ . There exist  $\beta \in I$  such that  $u_\beta \{x_\beta\} \neq u_\beta \{y_\beta\}$ . Since  $(X_\beta, u_\beta)$  is a  $C_1$ -space, there exist open subsets  $U$  and  $V$  of  $(X_\beta, u_\beta)$  such that  $u_\beta \{x_\beta\} \subseteq U$  and  $u_\beta \{y_\beta\} \subseteq V$ . Consequently,

$$\prod_{\alpha \in I} u_\alpha \pi_\alpha(\{(x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}\}) \subseteq U \times \prod_{\substack{\alpha \neq \beta \\ \alpha \in I}} X_\alpha, \quad \prod_{\alpha \in I} u_\alpha \pi_\alpha(\{(y_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}\}) \subseteq V \times \prod_{\substack{\alpha \neq \beta \\ \alpha \in I}} X_\alpha$$

such that  $U \times \prod_{\substack{\alpha \neq \beta \\ \alpha \in I}} X_\alpha$  and  $V \times \prod_{\substack{\alpha \neq \beta \\ \alpha \in I}} X_\alpha$  are open subsets of  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} (X_\alpha, u_\alpha)$ . Hence,

$\prod_{\alpha \in I} (X_\alpha, u_\alpha)$  is a  $C_1$ -space. □

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