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LOCALLY CONNECTED TOPOLOGIES ASSOCIATED WITH A GIVEN COMPLETE METRIZABLE TOPOLOGY

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It is proved that if  $(P, \tau)$  is a complete metrizable<sup>1)</sup> space of a countable order of disconnectedness, then  $(P, m(\tau))$  is a complete metrizable space and  $m(\tau) = s(\tau)$ .

Let  $\tau$  be a topology for a set  $P$ . Let us denote by  $C(\tau)$  the family of all connected subspaces of  $(P, \tau)$ . The family of all locally connected sets from  $C(\tau)$  will be denoted by  $LC(\tau)$ . Finally, the family of all compact connected and locally connected subspaces of  $(P, \tau)$  will be denoted by  $A(\tau)$ . The notation and terminology of [1] will be used throughout.

According to [1], 1.2, there exists a locally connected topology  $s(\tau)$  for the set  $P$  such that  $s(\tau) \leq \tau$  (that is,  $s(\tau)$  is finer than  $\tau$ ) and if  $\tau_0$  is a locally connected topology for the set  $P$  with  $\tau_0 \leq \tau$ , then  $\tau_0 \leq s(\tau)$ .

Let us denote by  $m(\tau)$  the finest among all the topologies for  $P$  which induce the same topology as  $\tau$  on every  $M \in LC(\tau)$ . According to [1], the topology  $m(\tau)$  is locally connected.

If  $U$  is an open subset of  $(P, \tau)$  and if  $x \in U$ , let  $S_1(x, U)$  be the union of all  $M \in LC(\tau)$ ,  $x \in M \subset U$ , and by induction, let  $S_{n+1}(x, U)$  be the union of all  $M \in LC(\tau)$  satisfying  $M \subset U$  and  $S_n(x, U) \cap M \neq \emptyset$ . Put

$$S_\infty(x, U) = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} S_n(x, U).$$

Let us denote by  $c(\tau)$  the topology for which the family

$$\{S_\infty(x, U); U \text{ is an open neighborhood of } x\}$$

is a local base at  $x$ . According to [1] the topology  $c(\tau)$  is locally connected and

$$m(\tau) \leq c(\tau) \leq s(\tau).$$

In general  $m(\tau) < c(\tau)$ . However, if  $\tau$  is a complete metrizable topology then

<sup>1)</sup> A space  $P$  will be called complete metrizable if there exists a metric  $\varphi$  generating the topology of  $P$  such that  $(P, \varphi)$  is a complete metric space.

$m(\tau) = c(\tau)$ . In the present note we shall prove that  $m(\tau) = s(\tau)$  in the case when  $\tau$  is a complete metrizable topology of a countable order of disconnectedness. Moreover, in this case  $(P, m(\tau))$  is complete metrizable.

The topology  $s(\tau)$  may be obtained by iterating the operator  $\eta^*$  defined as follows: Let  $\eta$  be a topology for a set  $P$ . The family of all  $\eta$ -components of all  $\eta$ -open sets is an open base for  $\eta^*$ . Let us define  $\tau^0 = \tau$  and for every ordinal  $\alpha \geq 1$ ,

$$\tau^\alpha = \inf \{(\tau^\beta)^*, \beta < \alpha\}.$$

It may be shown that  $s(\tau) = \inf \tau^\alpha$ . The least ordinal  $\alpha$  for which  $s(\tau) = \tau^\alpha$  is said to be the order of disconnectedness of the topology  $\tau$ .

**Theorem 1.** *If  $\tau$  is a complete metrizable topology for a set  $P$  of a countable order of disconnectedness, then  $s(\tau)$  is complete metrizable.*

First we shall prove the following

**Lemma 1.** *If  $\tau$  is a complete metrizable topology then  $\tau^*$  is a complete metrizable topology.*

*Proof.* Let  $\varphi$  be a complete metric for the space  $(P, \tau)$ . Without loss of generality we may assume that  $\varphi(x, y) \leq 1$  for every  $x$  and  $y$  in  $P$ . According to [1], theorem 1.11, the topology  $\tau^*$  is generated by the metric  $\varrho$  defined as follows: Let  $x, y \in P$ ; if there exists no  $M \in \mathcal{C}(\tau)$  containing both  $x$  and  $y$ , then  $\varrho(x, y) = 1$ ; in the opposite case  $\varrho(x, y)$  is the greatest lower bound of the set of diameters (with respect to  $\varphi$ ) of all  $M \in \mathcal{C}(\tau)$  containing both  $x$  and  $y$ . We shall prove that  $(P, \varrho)$  is a complete metric space. Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a Cauchy sequence with respect to  $\varrho$ . Since  $\varphi(x, y) \leq \varrho(x, y)$ ,  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence with respect to  $\varphi$ . Thus there exists a point  $x$  in  $P$  such that

$$(*) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(x_n, x) = 0.$$

We shall prove that

$$(**) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varrho(x_n, x) = 0.$$

Without loss of generality we may assume

$$\varrho(x_n, x_{n+1}) < 2^{-n} \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Let us choose  $C_n$  in  $\mathcal{C}(\tau)$  such that the diameter (with respect to  $\varphi$ ) of  $C_n$  is less than  $2^{-n}$  and  $x_n \in C_n, x_{n+1} \in C_n$ . It is easy to see that the sets

$$K_n = \bigcup \{C_k; k = n, n+1, \dots\}$$

are connected and the diameter of  $K_n$  ( $n = 1, 2, \dots$ ) is less than  $2^{-n+1}$ . It follows that the diameter of the  $\tau$ -closure  $L_n$  of  $K_n$  is less than  $2^{-n+1}$  and  $L_n \in \mathcal{C}(\tau)$ . According to (\*), the point  $x$  belongs to every  $L_n$ . Thus by definition of  $\varrho(x, y)$  we have

$$\varrho(x_n, x) \leq 2^{-n+1},$$

which establishes (\*\*) and completes the proof of lemma 1.

Proof of Theorem 1. Let  $\alpha$  be the order of disconnectedness of the topology  $\tau$ . By our assumption,  $\alpha < \omega_1$  and the topology  $\tau^0 = \tau$  is complete metrizable. Let  $1 \leq \beta_1 \leq \alpha_0 \leq \alpha$  and let us suppose that the topologies  $\tau^{\beta_1}, \beta_1 < \alpha_0$ , are complete metrizable. By definition of  $\tau^{\alpha_0}$ ,

$$\tau^{\alpha_0} = \inf \{(\tau^\beta)^*; \beta < \alpha\}.$$

Since  $\beta_1 \geq \beta_2$  implies  $(\tau^{\beta_1})^* \leq (\tau^{\beta_2})^*$  and  $\eta_1 \leq \eta_2$  implies  $\eta_1^* \leq \eta_2^*$ , we have that  $\beta_1 \geq \beta_2$  implies  $(\tau^{\beta_1})^* \leq (\tau^{\beta_2})^*$ . Thus we may choose ordinals  $\beta_n, n = 1, 2, \dots$ , such that

$$(*) \quad \tau^{\alpha_0} = \inf \{(\tau^{\beta_n})^*; n = 1, 2, \dots\}.$$

Since the topologies  $\tau^{\beta_n}$  are complete metrizable, by lemma 1 we may choose metrics  $\varrho_n$  for the set  $P$  such that the metric space  $(P, \varrho_n), n = 1, 2, \dots$ , is complete,  $\varrho_n(x, y) \leq 1$  and  $\varrho_n$  generates the topology  $\tau^{\beta_n}$ . For  $x$  and  $y$  in  $P$  put

$$(**) \quad \varrho(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{-n} \varrho_n(x, y).$$

By (\*),  $\varrho$  is a metric for the space  $(P, \tau^{\alpha_0})$ . From (\*\*) it follows at once that  $\varrho$  is a complete metric. Indeed, let  $\{x_n\}$  be a Cauchy sequence with respect to  $\varrho, i. e.$

$$\lim_{\substack{n \rightarrow \infty \\ m \rightarrow \infty}} \varrho(x_n, x_m) = 0.$$

It follows that

$$\lim_{\substack{n \rightarrow \infty \\ m \rightarrow \infty}} \varrho_k(x_n, x_m) = 0 \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots).$$

The metrics  $\varrho_k$  being complete, we may choose  $y_k \in P, k = 1, 2, \dots$ , such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varrho_k(x_n, y_k) = 0.$$

Since  $n \geq m$  implies  $\tau^{\beta_n} \leq \tau^{\beta_m}$ , we may conclude at once that  $y_1 = y_k$  for every  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ . Now it is easy to see that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varrho(x_n, y_1) = 0.$$

The proof of Theorem 1 is complete.

If  $(P, \tau)$  is a space and  $M$  is a subset of  $P$  then the symbol  $\tau/M$  denotes the relativisation of  $\tau$  to  $M$  and the symbol  $\tau_M$  denotes the infimum of all topologies  $\eta$  for the set  $P$  satisfying  $\eta/M \geq \tau/M$ . In [1] the following theorem (3.7) is proved:

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $\tau$  be a complete metrizable topology for a set  $P$ . Then*

$$c(\tau) = \sup \{\tau_M; M \in \mathbf{L} \mathbf{C}(\tau)\} = \sup \{\tau_M; M \in \mathbf{A}(\tau)\}.$$

**Theorem 3.** *Let  $\tau$  be a complete metrizable topology (for a set  $P$ ) of a countable order of disconnectedness. Then  $s(\tau) = \sup \{\tau_M; M \in \mathbf{A}(\tau)\}$ . In consequence,  $s(\tau) = c(\tau) = m(\tau)$ .*

PROOF. Let us denote by  $\tau_0$  the topology  $\sup \{\tau_M; M \in \mathbf{A}(\tau)\}$ . It is easy to see that  $\tau \geq \tau_0$ . It may be noticed that  $\mathbf{A}(\tau) = \mathbf{A}(\tau_0)$ . Indeed, if  $M \in \mathbf{A}(\tau)$ , then by definition of  $\tau_0$  we have  $\tau_0/M \geq \tau/M$ . Now from the inequality  $\tau \geq \tau_0$  it follows that  $\tau_0/M = \tau/M$ . Thus  $M \in \mathbf{A}(\tau_0)$ . Conversely, if  $M \in \mathbf{A}(\tau_0)$  then from the fact that the topology  $\tau_0/M$  is compact and from the inequality  $\tau \geq \tau_0$  it follows at once that  $\tau_0/M = \tau/M$ . Thus  $M \in \mathbf{A}(\tau)$ . Since  $\tau \geq s(\tau) \geq \tau_0$ , from the equality  $\mathbf{A}(\tau) = \mathbf{A}(\tau_0)$  we have at once

$$\mathbf{A}(\tau) = \mathbf{A}(s(\tau)) = \mathbf{A}(\tau_0).$$

Since the topology  $s(\tau)$  is locally connected, we have

$$s(\tau) = \sup \{\tau_M; M \in \mathbf{L} \mathbf{C}(s(\tau))\}.$$

By theorem 2 we have

$$\sup \{\tau_M; M \in \mathbf{A}(s(\tau))\} = \sup \{\tau_M; M \in \mathbf{L} \mathbf{C}(s(\tau))\}.$$

Finally, combining (\*), (\*\*) and (\*\*\*) , we obtain  $s(\tau) = \tau_0$ . The proof of the theorem 3 is complete.

By theorem 1, if the topology is complete metrizable, then the topology  $s(\tau)$  is complete metrizable. Now we shall construct a complete metric for  $(P, s(\tau))$ .

**Theorem 4.** *Let  $(P, \tau)$  be a complete metrizable space. Let  $\varphi$  be a complete metric generating the topology  $\tau$  such that  $\varphi(x, y) \leq 1$  for every  $x$  and  $y$  in  $P$ . Let us define a metric  $\varrho$  for the set  $P$  as follows:*

*If there exists no  $A \in \mathbf{A}(\tau)$  containing both  $x$  and  $y$ , then  $\varrho(x, y) = 1$ . In the other case let  $\varrho(x, y)$  be the greatest lower bound of the set of diameters of all  $A \in \mathbf{A}(\tau)$  containing both  $x$  and  $y$ .*

*The metric space  $(P, \varrho)$  is complete (and by [1], theorem 3.7,  $\varrho$  generates the topology  $m(\tau) = c(\tau)$ ) and by theorem 3 on the present note, the metric  $\varrho$  generates the topology  $s(\tau)$ .*

PROOF. Let us suppose that  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence with respect to the metric  $\varrho$ . Since  $\varphi(x, y) \leq \varrho(x, y)$ ,  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence with respect to  $\varphi$ . Thus there exists a point  $x$  in  $P$  such that

$$(*) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(x, x_n) = 0.$$

We shall prove

$$(**) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varrho(x, x_n) = 0.$$

To prove (\*\*), we may assume without loss of the generality that

$$\varrho(x_n, x_{n+1}) < 2^{-n} \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Let us choose  $A_n \in \mathbf{A}(\tau)$  for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , such that the diameter (with respect to  $\varphi$ ) of  $A_n$  is less than  $2^{-n}$  and that both  $x_n$  and  $x_{n+1}$  belong to  $A_n$ . Put

$$K_n = \bigcup_{k=n}^{\infty} A_k \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Let us denote by  $C_n$  the  $\tau$ -closure of  $K_n$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ . Evidently the diameter (with respect to  $\varphi$ ) of  $K_n$ , and hence that of  $C_n$  also, is less than  $\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} 2^{-k} = 2^{-n+1}$ . By (\*) the point  $x$  belongs to  $C_n$  ( $n = 1, 2, \dots$ ). Thus to prove (\*\*) it is sufficient to show that  $C_n \in A(\tau)$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ . Evidently the sets  $C_n$  are  $\tau$ -connected. To prove compactness of  $C_n$ , it is sufficient to notice that any infinite subset  $M$  of  $C_n$  either is contained in the union of a finite number of  $A_n$  or the point  $x$  is an accumulation point of  $M$ . It remains to prove that the sets  $C_n$  are locally connected. If  $y \in C_n$  and  $y \neq x$ , then  $\varrho(x, y) = \varepsilon > 0$ , and consequently, the  $\varphi$ -spheres about  $x$  of radius less than  $\varepsilon$  are contained in the union of a finite number of  $A_k$ . Thus  $C_n$  is locally connected at every point  $y \neq x$ . To prove that  $C_n$  is locally connected at the point  $x$ , it is sufficient to notice that the sets  $C_k$  are connected, the sets  $A_k$  are locally connected and the diameters with respect to  $\varphi$  of  $C_k$  converge to zero with  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . Thus the proof is complete.

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#### Резюме

### ЛОКАЛЬНО СВЯЗНЫЕ ТОПОЛОГИИ АССОЦИИРОВАННЫЕ С ДАННОЙ ПОЛНО МЕТРИЗУЕМОЙ ТОПОЛОГИЕЙ

ЗДЕНЕК ФРОЛИК (Zdeněk Frolík), Прага

Топология  $\tau$  на множестве  $P$  называется полно метризуемой, если существует метрика  $\varrho$  пространства  $(P, \tau)$  такая, что  $(P, \varrho)$  является полным метрическим пространством.

В работе [1] для всякой топологии  $\tau$  на множестве  $P$  определены локально связные топологии  $s(\tau)$ ,  $m(\tau)$  и  $c(\tau)$  на множестве  $P$ , и рассматриваются соотношения между  $\tau$ ,  $s(\tau)$ ,  $c(\tau)$  и  $m(\tau)$ .

Главным результатом настоящей работы является теорема 3, которая утверждает, что  $s(\tau) = c(\tau) = m(\tau)$ , если только  $\tau$  полно метризуема и если  $\tau$  имеет счетный порядок несвязности. В этом случае также конструируется полная метрика для пространства  $(P, s(\tau))$ .