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# QUOTIENT ADDITIVE PROPERTIES IN TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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## 1. Introduction

Suppose that R is an equivalence relation on a space X and [x] and X/R are compact for each x in X. If the projection map  $p: X \rightarrow X/R$  is closed, then X is compact. See theorem 4.2.

This result is not new. This paper is concerned with the more general question: If R is an equivalence relation on a space X and if P is a topological property, does X have property P when X/R and [x] have property P for each x in X?

We will call P a quotient additive property when the answer is in the affirmative.

The following properties are shown to be quotient additive: indiscreteness, discreteness,  $T_0$ ,  $T_1$ , connectedness, total disconnectedness and singleton path components.

The following properties fail to be quotient additive even when  $p: X \rightarrow X/R$  is an open map: Lindelof, countable compactness, extremally disconnected and cofinite.

The following properties fail to be quotient additive even when  $p: X \rightarrow X/R$  is both open and closed: paracompact, metacompact, Hausdorff, regular and normal.

The following properties fail to be quotient additive even when  $p: X \rightarrow X/R$  is closed: second axiom, separable, metrizable and path connected.

If  $p: X \rightarrow X/R$  is closed, the following properties are shown to be quotient additive: Lindelof, countably compactness and (if X is first axiom) sequential compactness.

In section 5,  $X \times Y$  is shown to be a fixed point space if X is a  $T_1$  fixed point space and Y is strongly separable (see definition 5.1).

## 2. General properties

We begin with

THEOREM 2.1. If X/R and [x] are indiscrete for each x in X, then X is indiscrete.

PROOF. Suppose that  $0 \neq 0 \neq X$  and O is open in X. Then for each x in X,  $[x] \subseteq 0$  or  $[x] \cap 0 = \phi$  since [x] is indiscrete. Let  $O^* = \{[x] : [x] \subseteq 0\}$ . Then  $0 \neq 0^* \neq X/R$  and  $O^*$  is open in X/R, a contradiction.

THEOREM 2.2. Let X/R be discrete and let [x] be discrete for each x in X. Then X is discrete.

PROOF.  $\{x\}$  is open in [x] and [x] is open in X since  $\{[x]\}$  is open in X/R. Thus  $\{x\}$  is open in X.

THEOREM 2.3. Let X/R be a  $T_0$ -space and let [x] be a  $T_0$ -space for each x in X. Then X is a  $T_0$ -space.

PROOF. Let  $x \neq y$ . Case 1.  $[x] \neq [y]$ . Then we can assume that there exists an open set  $O^*$  in X/R such that  $[x] \in O^*$  and  $[y] \notin O^*$ . Then  $x \in p^{-1}[O^*]$  and  $y \notin p^{-1}[O^*]$ . Case 2. [x] = [y]. Then there exists an open set O in X such that  $x \in O \cap [x]$  and  $y \notin O \cap [x]$ . Then  $x \in O$  and  $y \notin O$ .

THEOREM 2.4. Let X/R and [x] be  $T_1$ -spaces for each x in X. Then X is a  $T_1$ -space.

PROOF. Modify theorem 2.2.

We note that neither  $T_2$  nor  $T_3$  nor  $T_4$  nor  $T_5$  may be substituted for  $T_1$  in theorem 2.4 (see example 3.9).

THEOREM 2.5. Let X/R and [x] be connected for each x in X. Then X is connected.

PROOF. Suppose that  $X=O \cup V$  where O and V are nonempty disjoint sets in X. Then  $x \in O$  implies that  $[x] \subseteq O$  and  $y \in V$  implies that  $[y] \subseteq V$ . Let  $O^* =$  $\{[x] : x \in O\}$  and  $V^* = \{[y] : y \in V\}$ . Then  $X/R = O^* \cup V^*$  and  $O^*$  and  $V^*$  are disjoint nonempty open sets in X/R, a contradiction.

THEOREM 2.6. Let X/R and [x] be totally disconnected for each x in X. Then X is totally disconnected.

**PROOF.** Let  $A \subseteq X$  and suppose that A has more than one point. Case 1.  $A \subseteq [x]$  for some x in X. Then A is disconnected since [x] is totally disconnected. Case 2.  $A \subseteq [x]$  for no x in X. Then p[A] contains more than

one point in X/R and hence is disconnected. It follows then that A is disconnected.

THEOREM 2.7. Let X/R and [x] have singleton path components for each x in X. Then X has singleton path components.

PROOF. Let  $f:[0, 1] \rightarrow X$  be continuous. We will show that f is a constant. Now  $p \circ f:[0, 1] \rightarrow X/R$  is a constant and hence  $f[[0, 1]] \subseteq [x]$  for some x in X. Since [x] has singleton path components, f is a constant.

### 3. Some examples

The next two lemmas will be useful for counterexample purposes.

LEMMA 3.1. Let  $W = X \times Y$  and let  $W/R = \{A_x : x \in X\}$  where  $A_x = \{x\} \times Y$ . Then W/R is homeomorphic to X and  $A_x$  is homeomorphic to Y for each x in X.

PROOF. Let  $p: W \to X$  via p((x, y)) = x and let  $q: W \to W/R$  via  $q((x, y)) = A_x$ . Let  $h: W/R \to X$  via  $h(A_x) = x$ . Then h is clearly bijective and  $h \circ q = p$ . Since q and p are quotient maps, h is a homeomorphism.

That  $A_{x}$  is homeomorphic to Y is well known.

LEMMA 3.2. Let  $X=I \times I$  Where I=[0, 1] and let X have the dictionary order topology. Let  $X/R=\{A_x : x \in I\}$  where  $A_x=\{x\} \times I$ . Then  $A_x$  is homeomorphic to I for each x in X and X/R is homeomorphic to I.

PROOF. Let  $p: X \to I$  by p(x, y) = x. p is clearly continuous and onto, and since X is compact and I is hausdorff,  $p: X \to I$  is a closed map and hence a quotient map. Let  $q: X \to X/R$  by  $q(x, y) = A_x$ . Since X/R is given the quotient topology,  $q: X \to X/R$  is a quotient map. Let  $h: X/R \to I$  by  $h(A_x) = x$ . As in lemma 3.1, h is a homeomorphism.

DEFINITION 3.3. A property p will be termed *finitely nonproductive* if the product of two spaces with property p need not have property p.

THEOREM 3.4. Let p be a finitely nonproductive property. If X/R and [x] have property p for each x in X, then X need not have property p even if  $p: X \rightarrow X/R$ is open.

PROOF. Use lemma 3.1.

COROLLARY 3.5. Let p be any one of the following properties: Lindelof, count-

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ably compact, paracompact, extremally disconnected, normal or cofinite. If X/Rand [x] have property p for each x in X, then X need not have property p even if  $p: X \rightarrow X/R$  is open.

PROOF. All of the above properties are finitely nonproductive.

COROLLARY 3.6. Let X, X/R and [x] be as in lemma 3.2. Then X/R and [x] are separable, second axiom, metrizable and path connected. X has none of these properties and  $p: X \rightarrow X/R$  is closed.

EXAMPLE 3.7. Let  $X = \{x: 0 \le x \le 1 \text{ or } 1 \le x \le 2 \text{ and } x \text{ is rational}\}$ . Let Y = [0, 1] and let  $f: X \to Y$  as follows: f(x) = x if  $0 \le x \le 1$  f(x) = x - 1 if  $1 \le x \le 2$ . Let X have the usual topology and let Y have the quotient topology. For each y in Y,  $f^{-1}[y]$  is a singleton set or a doubleton set and hence is compact, locally connected and sequentially compact. Y also has all of these properties. X has none of these properties.

EXAMPLE 3.8. Let  $X = \{a, 1, 2, \dots, n, \dots\}$  and let a subset of X be open iff it is empty or contains a. Let R be the equivalence relation whose equivalence classes are  $[a] = \{a\}$  and  $[1] = \{1, 2, \dots, n, \dots]$ . Now [a] and [1] are paracompact and metacompact. X/R is a two point space and hence is metacompact and every open cover has a locally finite open refinement. But  $\{\{a, x\} : x \text{ in } X\}$ is an open cover of X with no refinement which is locally finite or point finite. Note that p: X/R is both open and closed.

EXAMPLE 3.9. Let  $X = \{a, b, 1, 2, 3, \dots, n, \dots\}$  and let a subject A of X be open iff  $A \cap \{a, b\} = \phi$  or  $A \cap \{a, b\} \neq \phi$  and CA is finite, C denoting the complement operator. Let  $[a] = \{a, b\}$  and  $[n] = \{n\}$  for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ . Then X/R is homeomorphic to  $\{0, 1, \frac{1}{2}, \dots, \frac{1}{n}, \dots\}$  with the usual topology and  $p: X \rightarrow X/R$  is both open and closed and X/R and [x] are  $T_2$ ,  $T_3$ ,  $T_4$  and  $T_5$ . X has none of these properties.

### 4. $p: X \rightarrow X/R$ closed

When  $p: X \rightarrow X/R$  is a closed map, certain covering properties are well behaved.

We begin with a well known property of closed maps.

LEMMA 4.1. Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a closed map and let  $f^{-1}[y] \subseteq O$ , O being an open set in X. Then there exists an open set U in Y such that  $y \in U$  and  $f^{-1}[U] \subseteq O$ .

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PROOF. Let  $U = \mathscr{C}f[\mathscr{C}O]$ .

THEOREM 4.2. Let  $p: X \rightarrow X/R$  be closed and let X/R and [x] be compact for each x in X. Then X is compact.

PROOF. See [2], theorem 5.3, page 236 or modify the proof of the next theorem.

THEOREM 4.3. If  $p: X \rightarrow X/R$  is a closed map and if X/R and [x] are Lindelof for each x in X, then X is Lindelof.

PROOF. Let  $X = \{O_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \mathcal{A}\}$  where  $O_{\alpha}$  is open in X. Since [x] is a Lindelof space, there exists a countable set  $\mathcal{A}([x]) \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  such that  $p^{-1}[[x]] = [x] \subseteq \bigcup \{O_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \mathcal{A}([x])\}$ . By lemma 4.2, there exists an open set U([x]) in X/R such that  $[x] \in U([x])$  and  $p^{-1}[U[x]] \subseteq \bigcup \{O_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \mathcal{A}([x])\}$ . Since X/R is Lindelof, X/R =  $\bigcup \{U([x]_i) : i \ge 1\}$  and thus  $X = \bigcup \{O_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \bigcup \{\mathcal{A}([x]_i) : i \ge 1\}\}$ .

THEOREM 4.4. If  $p: X \rightarrow X/R$  is a closed map and if X/R and [x] are countably compact for each x in X, then X is countably compact.

PROOF. Let  $\{E_n : n \ge 1\}$  be a sequence of closed sets with the finite intersection property. We may assume that  $E_n \supseteq E_{n+1}$  for all n. Now  $\{p[E_n] : n \ge 1\}$  is a sequence of closed sets in X/R with the finite intersection property. Since X/R is countably compact, there exists a [x] in X/R such that  $[x] \in \bigcap \{p[E_n] : n \ge 1\}$ . Then  $\{[x] \cap E_n : n \ge 1\}$  is a sequence of sets closed in [x] with the finite intersection property and since [x] is countably compact,  $\bigcap \{p[x] \cap E_n : n \ge 1\} \neq \phi$ . Thus  $\bigcap \{E_n : n \ge 1\} \neq \phi$  and X is countably compact.

COROLLARY 4.5. If  $p: X \rightarrow X/R$  is closed and if X/R and [x] are sequentially compact for each x in X and if X is a first axiom space, then X is a first axiom space.

PROOF. X/R and [x] are countably compact for each x in X. Then X is countably compact by theorem 4.4 and hence X is sequentially compact since first axiom is assumed.

### 5. A fixed point theorem

We first note that  $X \times Y$  need not be a fixed point space when X and Y are fixed point spaces. See [1].

Using some of the earlier ideas, we will give a sufficient condition for

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 $X \times Y$  to be a fixed point space.

DEFINITION 5.1. A space X will be called *strongly separable* iff there exists a point  $x^*$  in X such that  $X=c(\{x^*\})$  and  $x\neq x^*$  implies that  $\{x\}$  is closed. c denotes the closure operator.

EXAMPLE 5.2. Let X be a set and  $x^* \in X$ . Let  $\mathscr{T}_1 = \{0 \subseteq X : 0 = 0 \text{ or } x^* \in 0\}$ . Let  $\mathscr{T}_2 = \{0 \subseteq X : 0 = 0 \text{ or } x^* \in 0 \text{ and } \mathscr{C}0 \text{ is finite}\}$ . Let  $\mathscr{T}_3$  be any topology on X for which  $\mathscr{T}_2 \subseteq \mathscr{T}_3 \subseteq \mathscr{T}_1$ . Then  $(X, \mathscr{T}_3)$  is strongly separable.

LEMMA 5.3. Let X be a strongly separable space with distinguished point  $x^*$ . Then X is a fixed point space.

PROOF. Let  $f: X \to X$  be continuous. If  $f(x^*) = x^*$ , we are done. So assume that  $f(x^*) = y \rightleftharpoons x^*$ . Then  $f(y) \in f(c(\{x^*\})) \subseteq c f[\{x^*\}] = c(\{y\}) = \{y\}$ . Thus f(y) = y.

LEMMA 5.4. Let X be a space and  $\{A_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  a partition of X. Suppose further that for each  $\alpha \in \Delta$ , there is a point  $x_{\alpha}$  in X such that  $A_{\alpha} = c(\{x_{\alpha}\})$ . If  $f : X \to Y$  is continuous and  $\alpha \in \Delta$ , there exists a  $\beta \in \Delta$  such that  $f[A_{\alpha}] \subseteq A_{\beta}$ .

PROOF. Let  $f(x_{\alpha}) \in A_{\beta}$ . Then  $f[A_{\alpha}] = f[c(\{x_{\alpha}\})] \subseteq c f[\{x_{\alpha}\}] \subseteq c A_{\beta} = A_{\beta}$ .

THEOREM 5.5. Let X be a  $T_1$ -fixed point space and let Y be a strongly separable space with distinguished point y<sup>\*</sup>. Then  $X \times Y$  is a fixed point space.

PROOF. Let R be the equivalence relation induced by the partition  $\{\{x\} \times Y : x \in X\}$ . Note that  $\{x\} \times Y = c(\{(x, y^*)\})$ . Now let  $f : X \times Y \to X \times Y$  be continuous and let  $f/R : (X \times Y)/R \to (X \times Y)/R$  be the map induced by lemma 5.4. f/R is continuous. By lemma 3.1,  $(X \times Y)/R$  is homeomorphic to X and hence is a fixed point space. There exists then an x in X such that  $f/R(\{x\} \times Y) = \{x\} \times Y$ . Then  $f|\{x\} \times Y : \{x\} \times Y \to \{x\} \times Y$  and since  $\{x\} \times Y$  is a fixed point space, f(x, y) = (x, y) for some y in Y.

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