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ABOUT THE COINCIDENCE OF WEIGHT AND NETWORK WEIGHT  
FOR MAPPINGS

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**Abstract.** We give sufficient conditions for the coincidence of weight and network weight for a mapping. In particular, we prove the equality  $w(f) = nw(f)$  for each Čech-complete mapping  $f$ .

All spaces in this paper are topological spaces and all mappings are continuous. If  $f':X' \rightarrow Y$ ,  $X \subset X'$  and  $f'|_X=f$ , then  $f$  is a submapping of  $f'$ . The following definitions for mappings were introduced by B. A. Pasyukov [1].

Let  $f:X \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping from a space  $X$  into a space  $Y$ . Then:

1)  $f$  is called a  $T_2$ -mapping (or a Hausdorff mapping) if for every pair of different points  $x, x' \in X$  with  $f(x) = f(x')$ , there exist open neighbourhoods  $U$  of  $x$  and  $V$  of  $x'$  such that  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ .

2)  $f$  is called regular if for every closed set  $F \subset X$  and every point  $x \in X \setminus F$  there exists an open set  $O=O(f(x)) \subset Y$  such that  $x$  and the set  $F \cap f^{-1}(O)$  have disjoint neighbourhoods.

3)  $f$  is normal if for every pair of disjoint closed subsets  $A, B \subset X$  and every point  $y \in Y$  there exists a neighbourhood  $O$  of  $y$  for which the sets  $A \cap f^{-1}(O)$  and  $B \cap f^{-1}(O)$  have disjoint neighbourhoods.

4)  $f$  is bicomact if it is a closed mapping and all the fibers  $f^{-1}(y)$ ,  $y \in Y$ , are compact subsets of  $X$ .

5) A family  $\mathcal{N}$  of subsets of  $X$  is a network for  $f$  if the family  $\{A \cap f^{-1}(O) : A \in \mathcal{N} \text{ and } O \text{ is open in } Y\}$  is a network in  $X$  (in the sense of Arhangel'skii). If all the sets  $A \in \mathcal{N}$  are open, then  $\mathcal{N}$  is called a base of  $f$ . The network weight of  $f$  [weight of  $f$ ], denoted  $nw(f)$  [ $w(f)$ ], is the smallest cardinal number of the form  $|\mathcal{N}|$ , where  $\mathcal{N}$  is a network for  $f$  [a base for  $f$ ].

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6) An external base for a submapping  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  of a mapping  $f': X' \rightarrow Y$  is a family  $\mathcal{B}$  of open subsets of  $X'$  with the property: for every  $x \in X$  and every its  $X'$ -neighbourhood  $U$  there exist  $V \in \mathcal{B}$  and an open set  $O \subset Y$  for which  $x \in V \cap f'^{-1}(O) \subset U$ .

**LEMMA.** Let  $f': X' \rightarrow Y$  be a Hausdorff bicomact mapping and  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  a submapping of  $f'$ . If  $Y$  has the following property

(\*) for every  $Z \subset Y$ , every open cover of  $Z$  has a  $\tau$ -disjoint open refinement,  $\tau$  a cardinal,

then the following conditions are equivalent:

(1)  $\text{nw}(f) \leq \tau$  and there exists a family  $\lambda$  of open subsets of  $X'$  with  $|\lambda| \leq \tau$  such that for every  $x \in X$  and every  $x' \in f'^{-1}f(x)$ ,  $x' \neq x$ , one can find a set  $U \in \lambda$  for which  $x \in U$  and  $x' \notin U$ .

(2) There exists a family  $\mathcal{F}$  of closed subsets of  $X'$  with  $|\mathcal{F}| \leq \tau$  such that for every  $x \in X$  and every  $x' \in f'^{-1}f(x)$ ,  $x' \neq x$ , there exist  $F_1, F_2 \in \mathcal{F}$  and an open set  $O \subset Y$  for which  $x \in F_1 \cap f'^{-1}(O)$ ,  $x' \in F_2 \cap f'^{-1}(O)$  and  $F_1 \cap F_2 \cap f'^{-1}(O) = \emptyset$ .

(3) There exists a family  $\mu$  of open subsets of  $X'$  with  $|\mu| \leq \tau$  such that for every  $x \in X$  and every  $x' \in f'^{-1}f(x)$ ,  $x' \neq x$ , there are sets  $V_1, V_2 \in \mu$  for which  $x \in V_1$ ,  $x' \in V_2$  and  $V_1 \cap V_2 = \emptyset$ .

(4) There exists an external base  $\mathcal{B}$  for  $f$  having cardinality  $\leq \tau$ .

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). Let  $\mathcal{N}$  be a network for  $f$  with  $|\mathcal{N}| \leq \tau$ . Put

$$\mathcal{F} = \{F = [A]: A \in \mathcal{N}\} \cup \{X' \setminus U: U \in \lambda\}$$

and prove that  $\mathcal{F}$  satisfies (2). Take  $U \in \lambda$  with  $x \in U$  and  $x' \notin U$ . Let  $F_2 = X' \setminus U$ . then  $x' \in F_2 \in \mathcal{F}$ . The mapping  $f'$  is regular and thus there is a neighbourhood  $O$  of  $f(x)$  such that in the set  $f'^{-1}(O)$  the point  $x$  and the set  $F_2 = X' \setminus U$  have disjoint neighbourhoods  $V$  and  $W$ , respectively. Take  $A \in \mathcal{N}$  and a neighbourhood  $O_1$  of  $f(x)$  such that  $x \in A \cap f'^{-1}(O_1) \subset V$ . From  $A \subset X$  we obtain  $A \cap f'^{-1}(O_1) = A \cap f'^{-1}(O_1) \equiv A' \subset V$ . Let us denote  $O_2 = O \cap O_1$ ,  $A'' = A' \cap f'^{-1}(O_2)$ ,  $V' = V \cap f'^{-1}(O_2)$ ,  $F_2'' = F_2 \cap f'^{-1}(O_2)$ ,  $W' = W \cap f'^{-1}(O_2)$ . Then  $x \in A'' \subset V'$ ,  $x' \in F_2'' \subset W'$  and  $V' \cap W' = \emptyset$ . From  $A = A'' \cup (A \setminus A'')$  and  $A \setminus A'' \subset X' \setminus f'^{-1}(O_2)$  we obtain  $[A \setminus A''] \cap f'^{-1}(O_2) = \emptyset$ . Then  $[A] \cap f'^{-1}(O_2) = [A''] \cap f'^{-1}(O_2) \subset [A''] \subset [V']$ ,  $[A''] \cap W' = \emptyset$  and  $[A''] \cap F_2'' = \emptyset$ . Let  $F_1 = [A]$ . Then  $x \in F_1 \cap f'^{-1}(O_2)$ ,  $x' \in F_2 \cap f'^{-1}(O_2)$  and  $F_1 \cap F_2 \cap f'^{-1}(O_2) = \emptyset$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3). Let  $F_a, F_b \in \mathcal{F}$ . Take the greatest open set  $O_{ab} \subset Y$  with the property  $F_a \cap F_b \cap f'^{-1}(O_{ab}) = \emptyset$ . The mapping  $f'$  is normal, and thus every point  $y \in O_{ab}$  has a neighbourhood  $O(y) \subset O_{ab}$  such that in the set

$f'^{-1}(0(y))$  the sets  $F_a \cap f'^{-1}(0(y))$  and  $F_b \cap f'^{-1}(0(y))$  have disjoint neighbourhoods. The open cover  $\{O(y): y \in O_{ab}\}$  of  $O_{ab}$ , according to (\*) has an open  $\tau$ -disjoint refinement  $\Omega_{ab} = \cup \{ \Omega_{abc}: c \in C, |C| \leq \tau \}$ , where all  $\Omega_{abc}$  are disjoint systems. For each  $\Omega_{abc}$  take two  $X'$ -open disjoint sets  $U'_{abc}$  and  $U''_{abc}$  as follows: if  $V \in \Omega_{abc}$ , then in its inverse image  $f'^{-1}(V)$ , the sets  $F_a \cap f'^{-1}(V)$  and  $F_b \cap f'^{-1}(V)$  have disjoint neighbourhoods  $U'(V)$  and  $U''(V)$ ; we put  $U'_{abc} = \cup \{U'(V): V \in \Omega_{abc}\}$  and  $U''_{abc} = \cup \{U''(V): V \in \Omega_{abc}\}$ . Let  $\mu_{ab} = \{U'_{abc}: c \in C\} \cup \{U''_{abc}: c \in C\}$  and  $\mu = \bigcup_{a,b} \mu_{ab}$ . Then  $\mu$  satisfies (3).

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4). Let  $\mathcal{B}$  consist of all different members of  $\mu$  and all their (different) finite unions and intersections. We will show that  $\mathcal{B}$  is an external base for  $f$ . Take a point  $x \in X$  and a  $X'$ -neighbourhood  $U$  of  $x$ . The set  $M = f'^{-1}f(x) \setminus U$  is bicomact, so that from this and from (3) it follows that we may choose a finite number  $V_1, \dots, V_n$  of neighbourhoods of some points  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in M$  and neighbourhoods  $W_1, \dots, W_n$  of  $x$  such that  $V_i \cap W_i = \emptyset$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , and  $V = V_1 \cup \dots \cup V_n$  is a neighbourhood of  $M$ . Then  $U^* = U \cup V$  is a neighbourhood of  $f'^{-1}f(x)$ . Let  $W = W_1 \cap \dots \cap W_n$ . Then  $V \cap W = \emptyset$ . Since  $f'$  is a closed mapping, there is a neighbourhood  $O$  of  $f(x)$  for which  $f'^{-1}(O) \subset U^*$ . Then  $W \cap f'^{-1}(O) \subset U$ , i.e.  $\mathcal{B}$  is an external base of  $f$  such that  $|\mathcal{B}| \leq \tau$ .

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be as in (4). We are going to prove that  $\mathcal{B}$  may be  $\lambda$  from (1). Let  $x \in X$  and  $x' \in f'^{-1}f(x)$ ,  $x' \neq x$ . As  $f'$  is a  $T_1$ -mapping we can choose a neighbourhood  $U$  of  $x$  with  $x' \notin U$ . By (4), there exist a set  $V \in \mathcal{B}$  and an open set  $O \subset Y$  such that  $x \in f'^{-1}(O) \cap V \subset U$ . Then  $x \in V$  and  $x' \notin V$ . On the other hand, it is easily seen that  $\mathcal{B}_X = \{B \cap X: B \in \mathcal{B}\}$  is a base for the mapping  $f$  and  $|\mathcal{B}_X| \leq \tau$ .

The lemma is proved.

A mapping  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is Čech-complete if it has a Hausdorff bicomactification  $uf: uX \rightarrow Y$  ( $X \subset uX$ ,  $uf|_X = f$ ) such that  $X$  is a  $G_\delta$ -set in  $uX$ .

**THEOREM.** *Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a Čech-complete mapping and  $nw(f) \leq \tau$ . If the space  $Y$  has property (\*), then  $w(f) \leq \tau$  (and thus  $w(f) = nw(f)$ ).*

**NOTE.** If in the above theorem  $Y$  is the one-point space, we get the following known result of Arhangel'skii: for every Čech-complete space  $X$  we have  $w(X) = nw(X)$ .

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O JEDNAKOSTI TEŽINE I MREŽNE TEŽINE PRESLIKAVANJA

Teorema Arhangel'skog o jednakosti težine i mrežne težine Čech-kompletnih topoloških prostora prenosi se na slučaj neprekidnih Čech-kompletnih preslikavanja.

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