

## CHOICE TOPOLOGY

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**0. Introduction.** Let  $X$  be a topological space. The topology on  $X$  will be denoted by  $\mathcal{G}$  or  $\mathcal{G}_X$ . If  $R$  is an equivalence relation on  $X$ , the quotient set obtained by  $R$  we shall denote equivalently by  $X/R$  or  $D = \{D_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A, A \text{ some index set}\}$ . The quotient topology of  $X/R$  will be denoted by  $\mathcal{G}/R$  or  $\mathcal{G}_Q$ . The topology of the subspace  $A$  of  $X$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{G}/A$ . The set of all subsets of  $X$  is  $\mathcal{P}(X)$ . Recall that the power topology  $\mathcal{G}_*$  on  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  is defined in [2] in the following way. Subbase for  $\mathcal{G}_*$  is the family of sets  $\{U_* \mid U \in \mathcal{G}\}$  where  $U_* = \{A \mid \emptyset \neq A \subset X \text{ and } A \cap U \neq \emptyset\}$ .

The most natural topology on  $X/R$  is  $\mathcal{G}/R$ . Here we introduce another topology on  $X/R$  which is almost as natural as  $\mathcal{G}/R$ . It is denoted by  $\mathcal{G}_Z$  and called *choice topology*. The way of introducing of  $\mathcal{G}_Z$  is as follows. Let  $D = \{D_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}$ . Consider any mapping  $\varphi: D \rightarrow X$  defined so that  $\varphi(D_\alpha) \in D_\alpha$ . Such a mapping is called a *choice function*. Let  $\mathcal{Z}$  denote the family of all choice functions.  $\mathcal{G}_Z$  is the coarsest topology on  $D$  for which all choice functions are continuous.

In this note we examine some properties of  $\mathcal{G}_Z$  and its connection with the power topology, obtaining as consequence a theorem of Michael [3] and Franklin [1] (as the corollary of the theorem 1.3).

### 1. Some properties

**Theorem 1.1.**  $\mathcal{G}_Z$  is not coarser than  $\mathcal{G}_Q$ .

**Proof.** Consider the mapping  $p: X \rightarrow D$  defined in the following way: for all  $x \in X$   $p(x)$  is the element of  $D$  to which  $x$  belongs. It is clear that if we have a mapping of a topological space  $X$  into the set  $D$  and if it is a continuous mapping with respect to some topology  $\mathcal{G}_1$  on  $D$  the same mapping must be continuous with respect to any other topology on  $D$  which is coarser than  $\mathcal{G}_1$ . To prove that  $\mathcal{G}_Z$  is not coarser than  $\mathcal{G}_Q$  it is sufficient to prove that from the continuity of  $p$  in the topology  $\mathcal{G}_Z$  it follows that  $\mathcal{G}_Z = \mathcal{G}_Q$ . Prove, first, that  $p$  is an open mapping. Let  $O$  be an open set in  $X$ . First of all  $p(O) \supseteq \varphi^{-1}(O)$  (\*) for some choice function  $\varphi$ . To prove it, consider all those members of  $D$  which intersect  $O$ . Denote that part by  $O_D$ ,  $O_D = \{A \mid A \in D, \text{ and } A \cap O \neq \emptyset\}$ . Consider  $O'_D = \{A' \mid A' = A \cap O\}$ . According to the axiom of choice there exists a choice function  $\varphi$  for  $O'_D$  and consequently also for  $O_D$ . The (\*) is proved.

From the definition of the topology  $\mathcal{G}_Z$  it follows that  $\varphi^{-1}(O)$  is open. Suppose that we have  $\mathcal{G}_Z \subset \mathcal{G}_Q$ . Then  $p$  is continuous mapping of  $(X, \mathcal{G})$  onto  $(D, \mathcal{G}_Z)$  since  $p$  is continuous mapping of  $(X, \mathcal{G})$  onto  $(D, \mathcal{G}_Q)$ . Since  $p$  is open and continuous mapping of  $(X, \mathcal{G})$  onto  $(D, \mathcal{G}_Z)$  according to ([2], theorem 3.8.)  $\mathcal{G}_Z = \mathcal{G}_Q$ , as was to be proved. Let us show by an example that  $\mathcal{G}_Z$  could be strictly finer than  $\mathcal{G}_Q$ . Consider the one dimensional Euclidian space  $R^1$  and take the following partition of  $R^1: D_n = (n, n+1)$  and  $\overline{D}_n = \{n\}$ . Using the same method as in proof of (\*) we obtain that  $\mathcal{G}_Z$  is discrete. But quotient topology of that set is not discrete since the set  $\{n\}$  is not open in  $R^1$ . The proof is complete.

**Definition.** Decomposition  $D$  is *I-non-void* if for each  $D_\alpha \in D$  there exists some  $x \in D_\alpha$  and a neighbourhood  $V(x)$  of  $x$ , with the property

$$D_\beta \setminus V(x) \neq \emptyset \text{ for all } \beta \neq \alpha.$$

As for  $\beta = \alpha$ , it is possible both  $D_\alpha \setminus V \neq \emptyset$  and  $D_\alpha \setminus V = \emptyset$ .

**Theorem 1.2.**  $\mathcal{G}_Z$  is discrete if and only if the decomposition  $D$  is I-non-void.

**Proof.** Let the decomposition  $D$  be I-non-void. From that hypothesis and above definition it follows existence of  $x \in D_\alpha$  and  $V(x)$ . Take the choice function  $\varphi$  which has the following property:  $\varphi(D_\beta) \in D_\beta \setminus V(x)$  for  $\beta \neq \alpha$  and  $\varphi(D_\alpha) \in V(x)$ . We have  $\varphi^{-1}(V(x)) = D_\alpha$ . Hence  $\{D_\alpha\}$  as singleton is open in  $(D, \mathcal{G}_Z)$ . As it is possible deduce for all  $\alpha$ , the first part of the statement is proved.

Conversely, suppose that  $D$  is not I-non-void. Then for at least one  $\alpha$ , all  $x \in D_\alpha$  and every  $V(x)$  there exists at least one  $\beta \neq \alpha$  with the property  $D_\beta \subset V(x)$ . Then the relation  $\{D_\alpha\} = \varphi^{-1}(V(x))$  is not possible, whatever would be  $\varphi$  and  $V(x)$ , because of the fact that  $\varphi^{-1}(V(x))$  contains always at least one point more. It means  $\{D_\alpha\} \notin \mathcal{G}_Z$  and  $\mathcal{G}_Z$  is not discrete.

**Theorem 1.3.** Let  $f$  be continuous function on  $X$  onto  $Y$ ,  $D = D(f)$  i. e.  $D_\alpha = f^{-1}(\alpha)$ ,  $\alpha \in Y$ , and let  $f: D \rightarrow Y (f(D_\alpha) = \alpha)$  be continuous and open, then

$$1^\circ \mathcal{G}_Q = \mathcal{G}_Z$$

2°  $\mathcal{G}_Q = \mathcal{G}_*^R(X) | (X | R)$ , where  $\mathcal{G}_*^R(X)$  is the family of all  $R$ -saturated sets in the  $\mathcal{G}$  and consequently in the  $\mathcal{G}_*$  (that is  $D = \bigcup R_\alpha, \alpha \in A^* \subset A$ ).

**Proof.** Prove first that  $f^{-1}(O)$  is  $R$ -saturated in  $\mathcal{G}$  for all  $O \in \mathcal{G}_Y$ . First of all  $f^{-1}(O) \in \mathcal{G}$  since  $f$  is continuous. Let for some  $x \in D_\alpha$  we have  $f(x) \in O$ , then we have  $f(x) \in O$  for all  $x \in D_\alpha$  according to the definition of  $R$ .

Consider  $\mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{G}_Z$ , we have  $\mathcal{G}' = \overline{f}(\mathcal{G}) \in \mathcal{G}(Y)$  since  $\overline{f}$  is open. From the continuity of  $f$  it follows that  $f^{-1}(\mathcal{G}') \in \mathcal{G}$  and  $R$ -saturated. Set  $p^{-1}(\mathcal{G}) = V$ , and prove that  $V = f^{-1}(\mathcal{G}')$ .  $f^{-1}(\mathcal{G}') = f^{-1}(\overline{f}(\mathcal{G})) = f^{-1}(\{y \in Y | y = \overline{f}(D_\alpha), D_\alpha \in \mathcal{G}\})$ . If we denote by  $|\mathcal{G}'|$  the subset of  $X$  such that  $p(|\mathcal{G}'|) = \mathcal{G}$ , we have  $f^{-1}(\mathcal{G}') = f^{-1}(\{y \in Y | y \in f(|\mathcal{G}'|)\}) = \{x \in X | f(x) \in \mathcal{G}\} = |\mathcal{G}'| = p^{-1}(\mathcal{G})$ . Hence  $p$  is continuous in  $\mathcal{G}_Z$ . Having in mind that  $\mathcal{G}_Q$  is the finest topology of  $D$  for which  $p$  is continuous we have  $\mathcal{G}_Z \subset \mathcal{G}_Q$ . Using it and the theorem 1.1 we obtain 1°.

Consider now the family of all  $R$ -saturated sets in the topology  $\mathcal{G}_*$ ,  $\mathcal{G}_*^R$ , and its subfamily  $\mathcal{G}_*^R(X)$  which is isomorphic to the  $R$ -saturated sets

in  $\mathcal{G}$ . Let  $\mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{G}_Z$ . Then for some  $V \in \mathcal{G}$  and for all  $\varphi \in Z$  we have  $\varphi^{-1}(V) = \mathcal{G}$ . Let  $U \in \mathcal{G}$  be maximal  $R$ -saturated set contained in  $V$ . Then there exists a choice function  $\varphi_0$  such that  $\varphi_0^{-1}(U) = \mathcal{G}$ . [Proof. Let  $D_\alpha \in D$  and  $D_\alpha \cap V \neq \emptyset$  and  $D_\alpha \cap CV \neq \emptyset$ . Then there exists a choice function  $\varphi_0$  having its value in  $D_\alpha \setminus V$  and so  $\varphi_0^{-1}(V) = \varphi_0^{-1}(U)$  what was to be proved]. So every element of  $\mathcal{G}_Z = \mathcal{G}_\mathcal{G}$  is obtained as a projection (being  $p(U) = \varphi_0^{-1}(U) = \mathcal{G}$ ) of a  $R$ -saturated set in  $\mathcal{G}$ . From the isomorphism of  $\mathcal{G}_*(X) | (X | R)$  and the family of all  $R$ -saturated sets in  $\mathcal{G}$  it follows 2°.

2. Now we shall establish connection between the power topology on  $D$  and the choice topology on  $D$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $\mathcal{G}$  be a topology on  $X$ ,  $\mathcal{G}_*$  the power topology on  $\mathcal{P}(X)$ ,  $R$  an equivalence relation on  $X$  and  $\mathcal{G}'$  an arbitrary topology of  $X/R$ . The equality  $\mathcal{G}' = \mathcal{G}_* | (X/R)$  is valid if and only if  $\mathcal{G}' = \mathcal{G}_Z$ .

**Corollary (Michael).** For any equivalence relation  $R$  on  $X$  the topology  $\mathcal{G}_* | (X/R)$  is finer than the quotient topology  $\mathcal{G}/R$ .

*Proof of the theorem.* Let  $U_* \in \mathcal{G}/R$ . Then  $U_* | (X/R) = \{A | \emptyset \neq A \subseteq X, A \in X/R \text{ and } A \cap U \neq \emptyset \text{ for some } U \in \mathcal{G}\}$ . But for all  $\varphi \in Z$  we have  $\varphi^{-1}(U)$  is open according to the definition of  $\mathcal{G}_Z$  in  $D$ . Besides, we have  $\varphi^{-1}(U) = \{A | A \in X/R \text{ and } \varphi(A) \in U\}$ . But the fact  $\varphi(A) \in U$  for some  $\varphi \in Z$  is equivalent to the fact  $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$  and consequently we have  $\varphi^{-1}(U) = U_* | (X/R)$ , i. e.  $U_* | (X/R) \in \mathcal{G}_Z$ , that is  $\mathcal{G}_* | R \subset \mathcal{G}_Z$ .

Conversely, let  $V' \in \mathcal{G}_Z$ . We have  $V'_* = \{A \in X/R | \varphi(A) \in V \text{ for some } V \in \mathcal{G} \text{ and some } \varphi \in Z\}$ . By the above arguments we obtain  $V'_* = \{A | A \cap V \neq \emptyset\} = V_* | (X/R)$  for  $V_* \in \mathcal{G}_*$ . Consequently  $V'_* \in \mathcal{G}_* | R$ , and  $\mathcal{G}_Z \subset \mathcal{G}_* | R$ . The proof is complete.

*Proof of the corollary.* According to the previous theorem  $\mathcal{G}_* | (X/R) = \mathcal{G}_Z$  but according to the theorem 1.1  $\mathcal{G}_Z \supset \mathcal{G}/R$  that is the corollary.

### 3. Separation properties

**Theorem 3.1.** If  $(X, \mathcal{G})$  has one of the below listed topological properties, then  $(D, \mathcal{G}_Z)$  has the same topological property:

- a)  $T_1$ ,
- b) Hausdorff,
- c) Regular,
- d) Normal.

*Proof.* a) If  $\{x\}$  is closed for all  $x \in X$ , then there exists  $\varphi \in Z$  such that  $\varphi^{-1}(x) = D_\alpha$  (where  $x \in D_\alpha$ ). Since  $\varphi$  is continuous,  $\{D_\alpha\}$  is closed in  $D$ .

The converse is not true: Example.  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  $\mathcal{G} = \{a, c, ac, X, \emptyset\}$ . Decomposition  $D = \{D_1, D_2\}$ ,  $D_1 = \{a, b\}$ ,  $D_2 = \{c, d\}$ .  $\mathcal{G}_Z$  is discrete while  $\mathcal{G}$  is not  $T_1$ -topology.

b) Let  $X$  be Hausdorff-space and  $D_\alpha, D_\beta \in D$ ,  $D_\alpha \neq D_\beta$ . Then there exist  $a \in D_\alpha$  and  $b \in D_\beta$ , and  $a \neq b$ . Since  $X$  is Hausdorff there exists neighbourhoods  $V(a)$  and  $V(b)$  of  $a$  and  $b$  respectively, such that  $V(a) \cap V(b) = \emptyset$ . But for some choice function  $\varphi \in Z$  it is valid  $\varphi(D_\alpha) = a$  and  $\varphi(D_\beta) = b$ , and consequently,  $\varphi^{-1}(V(a))$  which is neighbourhood of  $D_\alpha$  does not intersect  $\varphi^{-1}(V(b))$  (which is neighbourhood of  $D_\beta$ ). Hence  $D$  is Hausdorff-space.

c) Remark. Regularity in this paper includes that topology is  $T_1$ .

Let  $D_\alpha \in D$  and  $F$  closed subset of  $D$ . Denote by  $|F|$  union of all equivalence classes  $D_\alpha$  which are members of  $F$ . Since  $F$  is closed there exists a closed set  $F_1$  contained in  $|F|$  which intersects all members of  $F$ . Let  $a \in D_\alpha$ . Evidently  $a \in F_1$ . Since  $(X, \mathcal{G})$  is regular there exists open  $V$  containing  $a$  and open  $W$  containing  $F_1$  and  $V \cap W = \emptyset$ . But for some choice function  $\varphi$  we have  $\varphi(D_\alpha) = a$  and  $\varphi(F) \subset F_1$  so that  $\varphi^{-1}(V)$  and  $\varphi^{-1}(W)$  are distinct open neighbourhoods of  $D_\alpha$  and  $F$  respectively.

d) Let  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  be two closed sets of  $(D, \mathcal{G}_Z)$ . Consider subsets of  $(X, \mathcal{G})$ ,  $|F_1|$  and  $|F_2|$ , where  $|F| = \bigcup_{\mathcal{G} \in F} \mathcal{G}$ . It is evidently  $|F_1| \cap |F_2| = \emptyset$ . Besides there exists a closed set  $F'$  contained in  $|F_1|$  and such that  $\mathcal{G}_1 \cap F' \neq \emptyset$  for all  $\mathcal{G}_1 \in F_1$  or otherwise  $F_1$  would not be closed. In the same way there exists a closed set  $F''$  contained in  $|F_2|$  and  $F'' \cap \mathcal{G}_2 \neq \emptyset$  for all  $\mathcal{G}_2 \in F_2$ . Since  $(X, \mathcal{G})$  is normal there exist disjoint open sets  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  containing  $|F_1|$  and  $|F_2|$  respectively. The sets  $\varphi^{-1}(V_1)$  and  $\varphi^{-1}(V_2)$  are disjoint neighbourhoods of  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ ; hence  $(D, \mathcal{G}_Z)$  is normal.

The theorem is proved.

Obtained results are better than we can conclude on  $(D, \mathcal{G}_*/D)$  considered as subspace of  $(\mathcal{P}(X), \mathcal{G}_*)$  (see [3], theorem 4.9).

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