

Universality of the Closure Space of Filters in the Algebra of All Subsets

Abstract. In this paper we show that some standard topological constructions may be fruitfully used in the theory of closure spaces (see [5], [4]). These possibilities are exemplified by the classical theorem on the universality of the Alexandroff's cube for T_0 -closure spaces. It turns out that the closure space of all filters in the lattice of all subsets forms a "generalized Alexandroff's cube" that is universal for T_0 -closure spaces. By this theorem we obtain the following characterization of the consequence operator of the classical logic: If \mathcal{L} is a countable set and $C: \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{L}) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{L})$ is a closure operator on X , then C satisfies the compactness theorem iff the closure space $\langle \mathcal{L}, C \rangle$ is homeomorphically embeddable in the closure space of the consequence operator of the classical logic.

We also prove that for every closure space X with a countable base such that the cardinality of X is not greater than 2^ω there exists a subset X' of irrationals and a subset X'' of the Cantor's set such that X is both a continuous image of X' and a continuous image of X'' .

We assume the reader is familiar with notions in [5].

1. Product in the category of $\langle \alpha, \delta \rangle$ -closure spaces and continuous functions

Let α be a regular cardinal number or the "power" of a proper class and let δ be an infinite regular cardinal number or the "power" of a proper class.

Note that:

PROPOSITION 1. *Assume that:*

- X is a nonempty set,
- for every $i \in I$, $X_i = \langle X_i, \mathcal{F}_i \rangle$ is an $\langle \alpha, \delta \rangle$ -closure space,
- for every $i \in I$, f_i is a function from the set X into the set X_i .

Then there is an $\langle \alpha, \delta \rangle$ -closure space $X = \langle X, \mathcal{F} \rangle$ such that:

- for every $i \in I$ the function f_i is continuous,
- if $X' = \langle X, \mathcal{F}' \rangle$ is an $\langle \alpha, \delta \rangle$ -closure space such that for every $i \in I$ the function f_i is continuous, then $\mathcal{F} \subseteq \mathcal{F}'$.

PROOF. Note that if a family \mathcal{B} is such that:

$$\mathcal{B} = \{Z \subseteq X \mid (\exists i)_I (\exists F)_{\mathcal{F}_i} \ Z = \overleftarrow{f}(F)\},$$

then the closure space $X = \langle X, \mathcal{F} \rangle$ with an $\langle \alpha, \delta \rangle$ -base satisfies Proposition 1. \square

From Proposition 1 we have that for every family $\{X_i\}_{i \in I}$ of $\langle \alpha, \delta \rangle$ -closure spaces there is a *product of the family $\{X_i\}_{i \in I}$ in the category of all $\langle \alpha, \delta \rangle$ -closure spaces and continuous maps*, denoted by

$$\prod_{i \in I}^{\alpha, \delta} X_i.$$

If for every $i \in I$ the $\langle \alpha, \delta \rangle$ -closure space $X_i = \langle X, \mathcal{F} \rangle = X$ and $\overline{I} = m$, then let

$$[X]_{\alpha, \delta}^m = \prod_{i \in I}^{\alpha, \delta} X_i.$$

Note that:

PROPOSITION 2. *For every infinite cardinal number m and for every $\langle \alpha, \delta \rangle$ -closure space X the closure space $[X]_{\alpha, \delta}^m$ is homeomorphic to the closure space $[[X]_{\alpha, \delta}^m]_{\alpha, \delta}^m$. \square*

PROPOSITION 3. *Let $\{X_i\}_{i \in I} \cup \{X\}$ be a family of $\langle \alpha, \delta \rangle$ -closure spaces and let $\{f_i\}_{i \in I}$ be a family of continuous functions such that for every $i \in I$*

$$f_i: X \rightarrow X_i.$$

Then the diagonal function $\Delta f_i: X \rightarrow \prod_{i \in I}^{\alpha, \delta} X_i$ is continuous, where

$$\Delta f_i(x) = \langle f_i(x) \rangle_{i \in I}. \quad \square$$

Let \mathcal{R} be a family of subsets of a nonempty set X and for $i \in I$ let

$$f_i: X \rightarrow X_i.$$

Moreover we assume that for $i \in I$, C_i is a proper closure operator for a closure space $X_i = \langle X_i, \mathcal{F}_i \rangle$ and C is a proper closure operator for a closure space $\langle X, \mathcal{F} \rangle$. We will say that the family $\{f_i\}_{i \in I}$ *separates the family \mathcal{R}* provided that for every $x \in X$, if for every non-empty set $R \in \mathcal{R}$ and for every $i \in I$ we have:

$$f_i(x) \in C_i(\vec{f}_i(R)).$$

then $x \in C(R)$.

The family $\{f_i\}_{i \in I}$ *separates points* provided that for every $x, y \in X$, if for every $i \in I$

$$f_i(x) = f_i(y),$$

then $x = y$.

Note that:

LEMMA 1. A family $\{f_i\}_{i \in I}$ separates points iff $\Delta_{i \in I} f_i$ is a one-to-one mapping. \square

LEMMA 2. A function f is a homeomorphic embedding from a closure space X_1 into a closure space X_2 iff f is a continuous and one-to-one mapping such that the family $\{f\}$ separates all closed sets in X_1 . \square

Moreover we can prove the following:

LEMMA 3. Let \mathcal{B} be an $\langle \alpha, \delta \rangle$ -base for the closure space X and let $\{f_i\}_{i \in I}$ be a family of functions such that for every $i \in I$

$$f_i: X \rightarrow X_i,$$

where X_i is an $\langle \alpha, \delta \rangle$ -closure space. If the family $\{f_i\}_{i \in I}$ separates the family \mathcal{B} , then the family $\{\Delta_{i \in I} f_i\}$ separates the family of all closed sets in X .

PROOF. Put $f = \Delta_{i \in I} f_i$ and $X_1 = \text{P}^{\alpha, \delta} X_i$. Moreover we assume that:

- (i) $\mathcal{B}' = \{F \mid (\exists \mathcal{R})(\overline{\mathcal{R}} < \alpha \ \& \ \mathcal{R} \subseteq \mathcal{B} \ \& \ F = \cup \mathcal{R}) \vee F \in \{\emptyset, X\}\}$,
- (ii) $\mathcal{B}'' = \{F \mid (\exists \mathcal{R})(\mathcal{R} \subseteq \mathcal{B}' \ \& \ F = \cap \mathcal{R})\}$,
- (iii) $\mathcal{B}''' = \{F \mid (\exists \mathcal{R})(\mathcal{R} \subseteq \mathcal{B}'' \ \& \ \mathcal{R} \text{ is a } \delta\text{-directed family} \ \& \ F = \cup \mathcal{R})\}$

By Theorem 1 (see [4]) \mathcal{B}''' is the set of all closed sets in the $\langle \alpha, \delta \rangle$ -closure space X . To prove Lemma 3 it is sufficient to prove that if $\mathcal{R} \in \{\mathcal{B}', \mathcal{B}'', \mathcal{B}'''\}$, then the family $\{f\}$ separates the family \mathcal{R} .

1° Let $\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{B}'$. Assume that $x \notin F = \cup_{k \in K} F_k$, where $\overline{K} < \alpha$ and for every $k \in K$ we have $F_k \in \mathcal{B}$.

For every $k \in K$ there is an $i_0 \in I$ such that

$$f_{i_0}(x) \notin C_{i_0}(\vec{f}_{i_0}(F_k)).$$

Hence for every $k \in K$

$$f(x) \notin C_1(\vec{f}(F_k)).$$

It means that

$$f(x) \notin \cup_{k \in K} C_1(\vec{f}(F_k)).$$

Note that:

$$\cup_{k \in K} \vec{f}(F_k) \subseteq \cup_{k \in K} C_1(\vec{f}(F_k))$$

and the set

$$\cup_{k \in K} C_1(\vec{f}(F_k))$$

is closed in the α -closure space X_1 . Thus

$$x \notin C_1\left(\bigcup_{k \in K} \vec{f}(F_k)\right).$$

2° Let $\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{B}''$. Assume that $x \notin F = \bigcap_{l \in L} F_l$, where for every $l \in L$ we have $F_l \in \mathcal{B}'$. By 1° there is an $l_0 \in L$ and an $i_0 \in I$ such that:

$$f_{i_0}(x) \notin C_{i_0}(\vec{f}_{i_0}(F_{l_0})).$$

It means that:

$$f(x) \notin C_1(\vec{f}(F_{l_0})).$$

Hence

$$f(x) \notin \bigcap_{l \in L} C_1(\vec{f}(F_l)).$$

Of course

$$C_1(\vec{f}(\bigcap_{l \in L} F_l)) \subseteq \bigcap_{l \in L} C_1(\vec{f}(F_l)).$$

Thus

$$f(x) \notin C_1(\vec{f}(\bigcap_{l \in L} F_l)).$$

3° Let $\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{B}'''$. Assume that $\{F_p\}_{p \in P}$ is a δ -directed family such that $x \notin \bigcup_{p \in P} F_p$ and for every $p \in P$ we have $F_p \in \mathcal{B}''$.

By 2° we have that for every $p \in P$

$$f(x) \notin C_1(\vec{f}(F_p)).$$

Hence

$$f(x) \notin \bigcup_{p \in P} C_1(\vec{f}(F_p)).$$

X_1 is a δ -inductive closure space and of course

$$C_1\left(\bigcup_{p \in P} \vec{f}(F_p)\right) \subseteq \bigcup_{p \in P} C_1(\vec{f}(F_p)).$$

Thus

$$f(x) \notin C_1\left(\bigcup_{k \in K} \vec{f}(F_k)\right) = C_1\left(\vec{f}\left(\bigcup_{k \in K} F_k\right)\right).$$

This ends the proof of Lemma 3. \square

We assume that for a cardinal number n , the symbol $l(n)$ denotes the least cardinal number m such the one can find $\mathcal{R} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(n)$ with $\overline{\overline{\mathcal{R}}} = m$ and such that for every $x, y \in n$ there exists an $R \in \mathcal{R}$ with $\overline{\overline{\{x, y\} \cap R}} = 1$. For example $l(3) = l(4) = 2$, $l(5) = l(6) = l(7) = l(8) = 3, \dots$ etc.

PROPOSITION 4. For every cardinal number m we have

$$l(2^m) = m.$$

PROOF. For a family $\mathcal{R} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X)$ let

$$\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{R}} = \{\cap \mathcal{B} \mid \mathcal{B} \subseteq \mathcal{R}\}.$$

Of course $\overline{\overline{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{R}}}} \leq 2^{\overline{\overline{\mathcal{R}}}}$. Moreover if the family \mathcal{R} is such that for every $x, y \in X$ there exists an $R \in \mathcal{R}$ with $\overline{\overline{\{x, y\} \cap R}} = 1$, then $\langle X, \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{R}} \cup \{\emptyset, X\} \rangle$ is a T_0 -closure space. In this case $\overline{\overline{X}} \leq \overline{\overline{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{R}}}} \leq 2^{\overline{\overline{\mathcal{R}}}}$. Thus for every cardinal number n we have $n \leq 2^{l(n)}$. If $n = 2^m$ we obtain that $m \leq l(2^m)$.

On the other hand note that if for a set T a family \mathcal{R} is such that

$$\mathcal{R} = \{F_t \subseteq \mathcal{P}(T) \mid F_t = \{Z \subseteq T \mid t \in Z\} \ \& \ t \in T\},$$

Then $\overline{\overline{\mathcal{R}}} = \overline{\overline{T}}$ and for every $U, V \subseteq T$ if $t \in U - V$, then $U \in F_t$ and $V \notin F_t$. Thus for the set $\mathcal{P}(T)$ there exists a family $\mathcal{R} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(T))$ with $\overline{\overline{\mathcal{R}}} = m$ and such that for every $U, V \in \mathcal{P}(T)$ there exists an $R \in \mathcal{R}$ with $\overline{\overline{\{U, V\} \cap R}} = 1$. It means that $l(2^m) \leq m$. \square

Let Y be the closure space such that (see [6] pp. 114):

$$Y = \langle \{0, 0', 1, 1'\}, \{\emptyset, \{1, 1'\}, \{0, 0', 1, 1'\}\} \rangle.$$

By Lemma 2 and Lemma 3 we have the following theorem:

THEOREM 1. For every closure space X and cardinal number n the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i) X is an $\langle \alpha, \delta \rangle$ -closure space such that $w_{\alpha, \delta}(X) \leq n$ and $l(\overline{\overline{X}}) \leq n$,
- (ii) X is homeomorphically embeddable into the closure space $[Y]_{\alpha, \delta}^n$.

PROOF. By Corollary in [5] the implication (ii) \Rightarrow (i) is obvious. To prove that (i) \Rightarrow (ii) assume that \mathcal{B} is an $\langle \alpha, \delta \rangle$ -base for X and $\mathcal{R} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X)$ is such that for every $x, y \in X$ there is an $R \in \mathcal{R}$ such that $\overline{\overline{\{x, y\} \cap R}} = 1$ and $\overline{\overline{\mathcal{B}}}, \overline{\overline{\mathcal{R}}} \leq n$. Without loss of generality we can assume that $\mathcal{R} = \{R_i\}_{i \in I}$, $\mathcal{B} = \{B_i\}_{i \in I}$ and $\overline{\overline{I}} = n$.

For $i \in I$ let $f_i: X \rightarrow Y$ be such that

$$f_i(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in B_i \cap R_i, \\ 1' & \text{if } x \in B_i - R_i, \\ 0 & \text{if } x \in R_i - B_i, \\ 0' & \text{if } x \notin B_i \cup R_i. \end{cases}$$

By Lemma 3 and Lemma 2 the function $\Delta \bigwedge_{i \in I} f_i$ is a homeomorphic embedding of X into $[Y]_{\alpha, \delta}^n$. \square

2. Closure space of filters in a lattice of sets

Let Y_0 be the closure space such that:

$$Y_0 = \langle \{0, 1\}, \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{0, 1\}\} \rangle.$$

The closure space $[Y_0]_{\alpha, \delta}^n$ is homeomorphic to the contraction of the closure space $[Y]_{\alpha, \delta}^n$ (i.e. $[Y_0]_{\alpha, \delta}^n = [Y]_{\alpha, \delta}^n[\emptyset]$). Hence every $T_0 \langle \alpha, \delta \rangle$ -closure space is homeomorphically embeddable into the respective closure space $[Y_0]_{\alpha, \delta}^n$. Let $B_{\alpha, \delta}^n = \langle \mathcal{P}(n), \mathcal{R} \rangle$ be the $\langle \alpha, \delta \rangle$ -closure space such that:

$\mathcal{P}(n)$ is the family of all subsets of n , the $\langle \alpha, \delta \rangle$ -base for $\langle \mathcal{P}(n), \mathcal{R} \rangle$ is the set of all complete ultrafilters in the lattice $\langle \mathcal{P}(n), \subseteq \rangle$.

Note that:

PROPOSITION 5. $B_{\alpha, \delta}^n = [Y_0]_{\alpha, \delta}^n$. \square

By Proposition 5, Lemma 2 and Lemma 3 we have

THEOREM 2 (see [3]). *For every closure space X and cardinal number n the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i) X is a $T_0 \langle \alpha, \delta \rangle$ -closure space such that $w_{\alpha, \delta}(X) \leq n$,
- (ii) X is homeomorphically embeddable into the closure space $B_{\alpha, \delta}^n$. \square

Let $m \geq \omega$ and let $F_m = \langle \mathcal{L}, \mathcal{T} \cup \{\emptyset\} \rangle$ be the closure space such that:

- \mathcal{L} — is the set of all propositional sentences of the classical propositional calculus with a set of propositional variables of power m .
- \mathcal{T} — is the set of all theories in the language \mathcal{L} — for the classical propositional calculus.

Observe that the proper closure operator for F_m is the consequence operator for classical propositional calculus. Of course the contraction $F_m[\emptyset]$ is the closure space of all filters in the free Boolean algebra of power m . By Theorem 2 we have:

THEOREM 3 (see [3]). *For every closure space X the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i) X satisfies the compactness theorem and X is a countable closure space,
- (ii) X is homeomorphically embeddable in F_ω .

PROOF. Note that for every $a \in F^\omega$ the set

$$\{x \mid C(\{a\}) = C(\{x\})\}$$

(where C is the proper closure operator for F_ω) is infinite. Hence if $X[\emptyset]$ is homeomorphically embeddable into the closure space F_ω , then X is homeomorphically embeddable into the closure space F_ω too. Thus by the corollary in [3] if X is a countable closure space which satisfies the ω -compactness theorem then X is homeomorphically embeddable in F_ω . \square

If X is an uncountable closure space and F_m is uncountable, then Theorem 3 is not true. For the proof of this remark let D_{ω_1} be the closure space such that:

$$D_{\omega_1} = \langle \omega_1, \{\{t\}, \{0, t\}\}_{t \in \omega_1 - \{0\}} \cup \{\emptyset, \omega_1\} \rangle.$$

REMARK 1. For every cardinal number m the closure space D_{ω_1} is not homeomorphically embeddable into the closure space F_m .

PROOF. Assume that $f: D_{\omega_1} \rightarrow F_m$ is such that D_{ω_1} is homeomorphically embeddable in F_m by f . Without loss of generality we can assume that $f(0)$ is an antitautology in F_m (if $f(0)$ is not an antitautology in F_m , then we can put $f'(x) = f(x) - f(0)$).

By Theorem 5 (ii) (see [5]) for every $x, y \in \omega_1 - \{0\}$ such that $x \neq y$ the conjunction of $\{f'(x), f'(y)\}$ in F_m is an antitautology in F_m . Thus the Boolean algebra α' generated by $f'(\omega_1)$ is isomorphic to the Boolean algebra of finite and cofinite subsets in the set ω_1 . It means that α' is isomorphically embeddable in F_m . But the Stone space of α' (i.e. the Alexandroff compactification for the discrete space of power ω_1) is not a continuous image of the Stone space of $F_m[\emptyset]$ — i.e. the Cantor cube (see [1]). \square

We can give some modifications of Theorem 3 for uncountable cardinal numbers. In a way similar to the proof of Theorem 3 we can prove the following theorems:

THEOREM 4. *For every closure space X and infinite cardinal number m the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i) X satisfies the compactness theorem and the power of $X[\emptyset]$ is not greater than m ,

- (ii) *there is a subset T of F_m such that $X[\emptyset]$ is homeomorphically embeddable in $F_m[T]$.*

PROOF. Of course every Boolean algebra is the image of a free Boolean algebra. \square

THEOREM 5. *If we have GCH, then for every infinite cardinal number m there is a subset T in F_m such that for every closure space X the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i) *X satisfies the compactness theorem and the power of $X[\emptyset]$ is not greater than m ,*
(ii) *$X[\emptyset]$ is homeomorphically embeddable in $F_m[T]$.*

PROOF. If we have GCH, then we can prove that for every cardinal number $m \geq \omega$ there is a Boolean algebra \mathfrak{a} such that every Boolean algebra of power not greater than m is isomorphically embeddable in \mathfrak{a} and the power of \mathfrak{a} is m (see [2]). \square

REMARK 2. Observe that there are many examples of consequence operators C for non-classical logics such that the consequence operator for the classical propositional logic is embeddable into C . For example F_ω is embeddable into the consequence operator for intuitionistic logic, modal logic, Post logic etc. (see [7]). Hence we can give many modifications of Theorems 3, 4 and 5. \square

Let D be the closure space such that

$$D = \langle \{0, 1\}, \{\{0\}, \{1\}, \{0, 1\}, \emptyset\} \rangle.$$

Of course $[D]_{\omega, \infty}^\omega$ is the Cantor space (see [1]) and if $\alpha \leq \alpha'$, $\delta \geq \delta'$, $\omega \leq n \leq n'$, then the closure space $[Y]_{\alpha, \delta}^n$ is a continuous image of the closure space $[D]_{\alpha', \delta'}^{n'}$. Thus by Theorem 1 we have:

THEOREM 6. *Assume that $\alpha' \geq \alpha$, $\delta' \leq \delta$ and $\omega \leq n \leq n'$. Then for every $\langle \alpha, \delta \rangle$ -closure space Y such that $w_{\alpha, \delta}(Y) \leq n$ and $l(\overline{Y}) \leq n$ there is a subset Y' in the closure space $[D]_{\alpha', \delta'}^{n'}$, such that Y is a continuous image of Y' . In particular for every closure space X such that $w_{0, \infty}(X) \leq \omega$ and $\overline{X} \leq 2^\omega$ there is a subset X' of the Cantor space (irrational numbers, real numbers) such that X is a continuous image of X' . \square*

REMARK 3. Note that Theorem 6 is a modification of Theorem III.9.4 in [6]. Moreover let a closure Boolean algebra be a Boolean algebra \mathcal{A} with an operation I which, to every element $a \in \mathcal{A}$, assigns an element Ia in

such a way that the following axioms are satisfied:

$$\begin{aligned} Ia &\leq a, \\ IIa &= Ia, \\ I1_{\mathcal{A}} &= 1_{\mathcal{A}}. \end{aligned}$$

if $a \leq b$, then $Ia \leq Ib$

We can give now a modification of the theory of topological Boolean algebras (see III in [6], VI in [7]) and its application in the algebraic semantics of modal logic (see X in [6], XIII in [7] and Supplement in [7]). \square

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