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# PRETOPOLOGICAL CONVERGENCE QUOTIENT MAPS

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## 1. Introduction

A convergence structure defined by Kent [4] is a correspondence between the filters on a given set X and the subsets of X which specifies which filters converge to points of X. This concept is defined to include types of convergence which are more general than that defined by specifying a topology on X. Thus, a convergence structure may be regarded as a generalization of a topology.

With a given convergence structure q on a set X, Kent [4] introduced associated convergence structures which are called a topological modification and a pretopological modification.

Also, Kent [6] introduced a convergence quotient map, which is a quotient map for a convergence space.

In this paper, we introduce notions of pretopological convergence quotient maps and topological convergence quotient maps, and investigate some properties on them.

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# 2. Preliminaries

A convergence structure q on a set X is defined to be a function from the set F(X) of all filters on X into the set P(X) of all subsets of X, satisfying the following conditions:

- (1)  $x \in q(\dot{x})$  for all  $x \in X$ ;
- (2)  $\Phi \subset \Psi$  implies  $q(\Phi) \subset q(\Psi)$ ;
- (3)  $x \in q(\Phi)$  implies  $x \in q(\Phi \cap \dot{x})$ ,

where  $\dot{x}$  denotes the principal ultrafilter containing  $\{x\}$ ;  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  are in F(X). Then the pair (X,q) is called a convergence space. If  $x \in q(\Phi)$ , then we say that  $\Phi$  q-converges to x. The filter  $V_q(x)$  obtained by intersecting all filters which q-converge to x is called the q-neighborhood filter at x. If  $V_q(x)$  q-converges to x for each  $x \in X$ , then q is said to be pretopological and the pair (X,q) is called a pretopological convergence space.

A convergence structure q is said to be topological if q is pretopological and for each  $x \in X$ , the filter  $V_q(x)$  has a filter base  $B_q(x)$  with the following property:

$$y \in G \in B_q(x)$$
 implies  $G \in B_q(y)$ .

In this case, the pair (X,q) is called a topological convergence space.

Let C(X) be the set of all convergence structures on X, partially ordered as follows:

$$q_{\scriptscriptstyle 1} \leq q_{\scriptscriptstyle 2} \iff q_{\scriptscriptstyle 2}(\Phi) \subset q_{\scriptscriptstyle 1}(\Phi) \text{ for all } \Phi \in F(X).$$

If  $q_1 \leq q_2$ , then we say that  $q_1$  is coarser than  $q_2$ , and  $q_2$  is finer than  $q_1$ . By [5], we know that if  $q_1$  is pretopological, then

$$q_1 \leq q_2 \iff V_{q_1}(x) \subset V_{q_2}(x) \text{ for all } x \in X.$$

Let (X,q) be a convergence space. Then

$$\tau(q) = \{ U \subset X \mid U \in V_q(x) \text{ for all } x \in U \}$$

is said to be the topology induced by a convergence structure q.

While, let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and N(x) the neighborhood system at  $x \in X$  with respect to given topology  $\tau$ . Then the convergence structure  $c(\tau)$  induced by  $\tau$  is defined as follows:

$$x \in c(\tau)(\Phi) \iff N(x) \subset \Phi.$$

for each  $\Phi \in F(X)$ . Then,  $c(\tau)$  is a topological convergence structure on X.

For any  $q \in C(X)$ , we define the following related convergence structures,  $\pi(q)$ , and  $\lambda(q)$ :

- (1)  $x \in \pi(q)(\Phi)$  iff  $V_q(x) \subset \Phi$ .
- (2)  $x \in \lambda(q)(\Phi)$  iff  $U_q(x) \subset \Phi$ , where  $U_q(x)$  is the filter generated by the sets  $U \in V_q(x)$  which have the property:  $y \in U$  implies  $U \in V_q(y)$ . In this case,  $\pi(q)$  and  $\lambda(q)$  are called the *pretopological modification* and the topological modification of q, and the pairs  $(X, \pi(q))$  and  $(X, \lambda(q))$  are called the *pretopological modification* and the topological modification of (X, q), respectively.

Let (X, q) be a convergence space and N(x) the neighborhood system at  $x \in X$  with respect to the topology  $\tau(q)$ .

Since  $U_q(x) = V_{\lambda(q)}(x) = N(x)$ , we know that

$$\lambda(q)=c(\tau(q)), \quad \tau(\lambda(q))=\tau(q), \quad N(x)\subset V_q(x).$$

**Proposition 1([4]).** (1)  $\pi(q)$  is the finest pretopological convergence structure coarser than q.

- (2)  $\lambda(q)$  is the finest topological convergence structure coarser than q.
- (3)  $\lambda(q) \leq \pi(q) \leq q$ .

Let f be a map from X into Y and  $\Phi$  a filter on X. Then  $f(\Phi)$  means the filter generated by  $\{f(F) \mid F \in \Phi\}.([1])$ 

Let f be a map from a convergence space (X,q) to a convergence space (Y,p). Then f is said to be *continuous* at a point  $x \in X$ , if the filter  $f(\Phi)$  on Y p-converges to f(x) for every filter  $\Phi$  on X q-converging to x. If f is continuous at every point  $x \in X$ , then f is said to be continuous.

Let q and q' be in C(X), and p and p' in C(Y). Then, we know that if  $q \leq q'$ ,  $p \geq p'$  and  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,p)$  is continuous, then  $f:(X,q') \to (Y,p')$  is continuous.

**Proposition 2 ([6]).** (1) If  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,p)$  is continuous at  $x \in X$ , then  $V_p(f(x)) \subset f(V_q(x))$ .

(2) If p is pretopological and  $V_p(f(x)) \subset f(V_q(x))$ , then  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,p)$  is continuous at  $x \in X$ .

**Proposition 3.** Let (X,q) and (Y,p) be convergence spaces. Then,  $f:(X,\lambda(q)) \to (Y,\lambda(p))$  is continuous if and only if  $f:(X,\tau(q)) \to (Y,\tau(p))$  is continuous.

**Proof.** The proof is clear from  $V_{\lambda(p)}(f(x)) = N(f(x))$  and  $V_{\lambda(q)}(x)$  = N(x) for each  $x \in X$ , where N(x) and N(f(x)) are the neighborhood systems at x and f(x) with respect to  $\tau(q)$  and  $\tau(p)$ , respectively.

**Proposition 4.** If  $f:(X,q)\to (Y,p)$  is continuous, then

- (1)  $f:(X,\pi(q))\to (Y,\pi(p))$  is continuous.
- (2)  $f:(X,\lambda(q))\to (Y,\lambda(p))$  is continuous.

**Proof.** (1) Let  $\Phi \in F(X)$  and  $x \in \pi(q)(\Phi)$ . Then  $V_q(x) \subset \Phi$ . Since  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,p)$  is continuous at x,  $V_p(f(x)) \subset f(V_q(x)) \subset f(\Phi)$ . Thus,  $f(x) \in \pi(p)(f(\Phi))$ . This

completes the proof.

(2) By Proposition 3, it is sufficient to show that  $f:(X,\tau(q)) \to (Y,\tau(p))$  is continuous. Let  $U \in \tau(p)$  and  $x \in f^{-1}(U)$ . Then  $f(x) \in U$  and  $U \in N(f(x)) \subset V_p(f(x))$ . Since  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,p)$  is continuous,  $U \in f(V_q(x))$ . Thus,  $f^{-1}(U) \in V_q(x)$  and  $f^{-1}(U) \in \tau(q)$ . This completes the proof.

Let (X,q) be a convergence space, Y a nonempty set, and a map  $f:(X,q) \to Y$  a surjection. The convergence quotient structure p on Y is the finest convergence structure on Y relative to which f is continuous. In this case,  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,p)$  is called a convergence quotient map and the pair (Y,p) is called a convergence quotient space.

**Proposition 5([6]).** If  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,p)$  is a convergence quotient map, then, for each  $y \in Y$ ,  $V_p(y) = \bigcap \{f(V_q(x)) \mid x \in f^{-1}(y)\}.$ 

# 3. Main Results

A surjection  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,p)$  is called a pretopological (resp. topological) convergence quotient map if p is the finest pretopological (resp. topological) convergence structure on Y relative to which f is continuous.

**Theorem 6.** Let  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,p)$  be continuous. Then the following hold:

- (1) If q is pretopological and for each  $y \in Y$  there exists  $x \in f^{-1}(y)$  such that  $V_p(y) = f(V_q(x))$ , then p is pretopological and  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,p)$  is a convergence quotient map.
- (2) If p is pretopological and  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,p)$  is a convergence quotient map, then for each  $y \in Y$  there exists  $x \in f^{-1}(y)$  such that  $V_p(y) = f(V_q(x))$ .
- **Proof.** (1) Suppose that for each  $y \in Y$ , there exists  $x \in f^{-1}(y)$  such that  $V_p(y) =$

 $f(V_q(x))$ . Since q is pretopological, we obtain  $x \in q(V_q(x))$ . From the continuity of  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,p)$ , we obtain  $y = f(x) \in p(f(V_q(x))) = p(V_p(y))$  and so p is pretopological.

Let  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,r)$  be a convergence quotient map. Then  $p \leq r$ . While, let  $\Psi \in F(Y)$  and  $y \in p(\Psi)$ . Then  $\Psi \supset V_p(y) = f(V_q(x))$  for some  $x \in f^{-1}(y)$ . Since  $x \in q(V_q(x))$  and  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,r)$  is a convergence quotient map, we obtain  $y \in r(\Psi)$ . Thus  $p(\Psi) \subset r(\Psi)$  and so  $p \geq r$ . Finally, p = r. This completes the proof.

(2) Let  $y \in Y$ . Since p is pretopological, we obtain  $y \in p(V_p(y))$ . Since  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,p)$  is a convergence quotient map, there exist  $x \in f^{-1}(y)$  and  $\Phi \in F(X)$  such that  $V_p(y) \supset f(\Phi)$  and  $x \in q(\Phi)$ . Thus,  $V_q(x) \subset \Phi$  and so  $V_p(y) \supset f(V_q(x))$ . Since  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,p)$  is continuous,  $V_p(y) \subset f(V_q(x))$ . Finally,  $V_p(y) = f(V_q(x))$ . This completes the proof.

**Theorem 7.** Let (Y, p) be pretopological and  $f: (X, q) \to (Y, p)$  a surjection. Then the following are equivalent:

- (a)  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,p)$  is a pretopological convergence quotient map.
- (b)  $\cap \{f(V_q(x)) \mid x \in f^{-1}(y)\} = V_p(y)$  for each  $y \in Y$ .

*Proof.* (a)  $\Longrightarrow$  (b): It is clear that  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,p)$  is continuous. Let  $V(y) = \bigcap \{f(V_q(x)) \mid x \in f^{-1}(y)\}$  and define a convergence structure  $r \in C(Y)$  as follows:

$$y \in r(\Psi) \iff V(y) \subset \Psi.$$

Since  $V_r(y) = \cap \{\Psi \mid y \in r(\Psi)\} = \cap \{\Psi \mid V(y) \subset \Psi\} = V(y)$ , we know that r is pretopological. Since  $V_r(y) = V(y) \subset f(V_q(x))$  for all  $x \in f^{-1}(y)$ , we obtain that  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,r)$  is continuous. Since  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,p)$  is a pretopological convergence quotient map, we obtain  $r \leq p$ . While, since  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,p)$  is continuous,  $V_p(y) \subset f(V_q(x))$  for all  $x \in f^{-1}(y)$  and so  $V_p(y) \subset \cap \{f(V_q(x)) \mid x \in f^{-1}(y)\} = V(y) = V_r(y)$ . Thus,  $V_p(y) \subset V_r(y)$ . Since p is pretopological, we obtain that  $p \leq r$  and so p = r. This completes the proof.

(b)  $\Longrightarrow$  (a): By the hypothesis, we know that  $V_p(y) \subset f(V_q(x))$  for each  $x \in f^{-1}(y)$ . Since p is pretopological, we obtain that  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,p)$  is continuous.

Let r be pretopological and  $f:(X,q)\to (Y,r)$  continuous. Then  $V_r(y)\subset f(V_q(x))$  for all  $x\in f^{-1}(y)$ . Thus,  $V_r(y)\subset \cap\{f(V_q(x))\mid x\in f^{-1}(y)\}=V_p(y)$ . Since r is pretopological, we obtain  $r\leq p$ . This completes the proof.

**Theorem 8.** If  $f:(X,q)\to (Y,p)$  is a convergence quotient map, then the following hold:

- (1)  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,\pi(p))$  and  $f:(X,\pi(q)) \to (Y,\pi(p))$  are pretopological convergence quotient maps.
- (2)  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,\lambda(p))$  and  $f:(X,\lambda(q)) \to (Y,\lambda(p))$  are topological convergence quotient maps.
- *Proof.* (1) Since  $\pi(p) \leq p$ , we know that  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,\pi(p))$  is continuous.

Let  $r \in C(Y)$  be pretopological and  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,r)$  continuous. We will show that  $r \leq \pi(p)$ . Let  $y \in Y$ . Then  $V_r(y) \subset f(V_q(x))$  for all  $x \in f^{-1}(y)$ . By Proposition 5,  $V_r(y) \subset \cap \{f(V_q(x)) \mid x \in f^{-1}(y)\} = V_p(y)$ . Since r is pretopological,  $r \leq p$ . Consequently,  $r \leq \pi(p)$ . and so  $f:(X,q) \to (Y,\pi(p))$  is a pretopological convergence quotient map.

Also, by Proposition 4,  $f:(X,\pi(q))\to (Y,\pi(p))$  is continuous. Thus,  $f:(X,\pi(q))\to (Y,\pi(p))$  is a pretopological convergence quotient map. (2) The proof is similar to (1).

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