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# ABSTRACT

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This is a study of the closure,  $Y$ , with respect to continua with connected interior. Chapter one develops the elementary properties of  $Y$ ; Chapter two develops the basic relationships between  $Y$  and  $T$ , where  $T$  denotes the closure with respect to continua; Chapter three develops relationships between  $Y$  and monotone maps.

In Chapter one the usual hypothesis is that  $S$  is a compact Hausdorff space. The main theorems are:

$S$  is locally connected if and only if for  $A \subset S$   
 $Y(A) = Cl(A)$ .

$S$  is locally connected if and only if

1.  $Y(p) = \{p\}$  for all  $p \in S$  and
2.  $S$  is Y-additive.

If  $S$  is Y-symmetric, then  $S$  is locally connected at  
 $p$ , if and only if  $Y(p) = \{p\}$ .

If  $C$  is a subcontinuum of the continuum  $S$ , then  
 $Y(C)$  is a continuum.

In Chapter two  $S$  denotes a Hausdorff continuum. The main theorems are:

If  $S$  is weakly irreducible, then  $S$  is locally con-  
nected at  $p$ , if and only if  $S$  is connected Im Kleinen at  $p$ ;

moreover, if  $S$  is also aposyndetic, then  $S$  is locally connected.

$S$  is weakly irreducible if and only if for any subcontinuum,  $W$ , of  $S$ ,  $S - W$  has a finite number of components.

$S$  is locally connected if and only if  $S \times S$  is  $Y$ -additive.

If  $A \subset \text{Int}(B) \subset B \subset S$  and  $T(B) = B$ , then  $Y(A) \subset B$ .

(Here  $S$  need not be connected.)

This last result generalizes the theorem which states:  
 $S$  is locally connected if and only if  $S$  is connected in  
 Kleinen.

In Chapter three  $S$  denotes a compact Hausdorff space,  
 which need not be connected. The main theorems are:

Let  $f$  be a monotone map of  $S$  onto  $Z$ , then  
 $Y(f^{-1}(A)) \subset f^{-1}(Y(A))$  for all  $A \subset Z$ .

Let  $f$  be an open monotone map of  $S$  onto  $Z$ , then  
 $Y(A) = f(Y(f^{-1}(A)))$  for all  $A \subset Z$ .

Let  $f$  be an open monotone map of  $S$  onto  $Z$ . Then

1. If  $S$  is  $Y$ -additive, then  $Z$  is  $Y$ -additive
2. If  $S$  is  $Y$ -symmetric, then  $Z$  is  $Y$ -symmetric.

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CHAPTER I  
ELEMENTARY PROPERTIES OF  $\mathcal{Y}$

Definition. Let  $S$  be a set and let  $P(S)$  denote the collection of all subsets of  $S$ . Let  $S$  be a topological space and let  $\mathcal{Y} \subset P(S)$ .  $\theta$  is the closure with respect to  $\mathcal{Y}$  if and only if  $\theta: P(S) \rightarrow P(S)$  by the following rule:  $x$  is not an element of  $\theta(A)$  if and only if there exist  $N$  and element of  $\mathcal{Y}$  such that  $x$  is an element of the interior of  $N$  and  $N$  and  $A$  are disjoint.

The following are directly verifiable.

Formulas. Let  $S$  be a topological space,  $\mathcal{Y} \subset P(S)$  and let  $\theta$  be the closure with respect to  $\mathcal{Y}$ , then

- i.  $A \subset \theta(A)$
- ii.  $\theta(A \cap B) \subset \theta(A) \cap \theta(B)$
- iii.  $\theta(A) \cup \theta(B) \subset \theta(A \cup B)$
- iv.  $\theta(S) = S$
- v.  $\theta(A)$  is closed
- vi. If  $A \subset B$ , then  $\theta(A) \subset \theta(B)$ .

In [1] the set function  $T$  was defined and its basic properties were discussed.  $T$  is the closure with respect to the collection of continua.

This paper is a study of the closure with respect to continua with connected interiors.



Definition. Let  $S$  be a topological space and let  $W$  be a subset of  $S$ , then  $W$  is called a strong continuum if and only if

1.  $W$  is a closed compact connected subset of  $S$
2. The interior of  $W$  is connected.

The set-function under consideration is defined as follows:

Definition. Let  $S$  be a topological space, then  $Y$  is the closure with respect to the collection of strong continua.

Definition. Let  $S$  be a topological space and let  $p$  be an element of  $S$ , the  $\mathcal{M}(p)$  is the set of all strong continua  $W$  in  $S$  such that  $p$  is an element of the interior of  $W$ .

Following are some immediate results for all topological spaces  $S$ .

Theorem 1. Let  $W \subset S$  be a strong continuum then the closure of the interior of  $W$  is a strong continuum of  $S$ .

Theorem 2. Let  $A$  be a subset of  $S$ , then

$$Y(A) = \{x | W \in \mathcal{M}(x) \Rightarrow W \cap A \neq \emptyset\} \cup \{x | W(x) = \emptyset\} = \{x | W \in \mathcal{M}(x) \Rightarrow W \cap A \neq \emptyset\}.$$

A sequence of related set-functions can be defined as follows.

Definition. Let  $n$  be a positive integer and let  $A$  be a subset of a topological space  $S$ , then  $Y^1(A) = Y(A)$  and  $Y^{n+1}(A) = Y(Y^n(A))$ .

Formulas for  $Y$ .

1.  $A \subset Y(A)$
2.  $Y(A \cap B) \subset Y(A) \cap Y(B)$
3.  $Y(A) \cup Y(B) \subset Y(A \cup B)$
4.  $Y(S) = S$

5.  $Y(A)$  is closed
6. If  $A \subset B$  then  $Y(A) \subset Y(B)$
7. Let  $m \leq n$  then  $Y^m(A) \subset Y^n(A)$ .

The following example shows that  $\mathcal{M}(p)$  can be empty and that the inequality in formula 1 may be proper for closed sets.

Example 1. Let  $S = \{(\frac{1}{n}, 0) \mid n \text{ is a positive integer}\} \cup \{(0, 0)\}$  with the relative plane topology, then  $\mathcal{M}((0, 0)) = \emptyset$  and  $Y((\frac{1}{n}, 0)) = \{(\frac{1}{n}, 0), (0, 0)\}$ .

The following example shows that the inequality in formula 1 may be proper for a closed set when  $\mathcal{M}(p) \neq \emptyset$  for all  $p \in S$ .

Example 2. Let  $S$  be the subcontinuum of the plane defined by the union of the closed line segments between  $(0, 1)$  and  $(\frac{1}{n}, 0)$  for  $n \geq 1$  and the closed line segment between  $(0, 0)$  and  $(0, 1)$ ; topologically this is the cone over example 1. In  $S$ ,  $Y((0, 1))$  is the closed line segment between  $(0, 0)$  and  $(0, 1)$ .

The following example shows that formula 3 need not be an equality.

Example 3. Let  $S$  be the subcontinuum of the plane defined by the union of closed line segments between  $(0, 1)$  and  $(\frac{1}{n}, 0)$  for  $n \geq 1$ , the closed line segments between  $(0, -1)$  and  $(\frac{1}{n}, 0)$  for  $n \geq 1$  and the closed line segment between  $(0, 1)$  and  $(0, -1)$ ; this is topologically the suspension over example 1 with vertices  $(0, 1)$  and  $(0, -1)$ . In  $S$ ,  $Y((0, 1)) = (0, 1)$  and  $Y((0, -1)) = (0, -1)$  but  $Y(\{(0, 1), (0, -1)\})$  is the

closed line segment between  $(0,1)$  and  $(0,-1)$ .

The following example shows that  $Y(A)$  need not be  $Y^2(A)$  and similar examples can be found which have the property that for  $m$  and  $n$  distinct positive integers  $Y^m(A)$  need not be  $Y^n(A)$ .

Example 4. Let  $S = \{(x, \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x} \sin(\frac{1}{x})) \mid 0 < x \leq 1\} \cup \{(x, -\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x} \sin(\frac{1}{x})) \mid 0 < x \leq 1\} \cup \{(0, y) \mid -\frac{1}{2} \leq y \leq \frac{1}{2}\}$  with the topology induced by the plane, then  $Y((0, \frac{1}{2})) = \{(0, y) \mid 0 \leq y \leq \frac{1}{2}\}$  and  $Y^2((0, \frac{1}{2})) = \{(0, y) \mid -\frac{1}{2} \leq y \leq \frac{1}{2}\}$ .

Definition. A space  $S$  is called  $Y$ -additive if and only if for any collection  $\{A_\alpha\}$  of closed subsets whose union is closed  $Y(\bigcup\{A_\alpha\}) = \bigcup\{Y(A_\alpha)\}$ .

The space in example 3 is not  $Y$ -additive since  $Y(\{(0,1)\}) \cup Y(\{(0,-1)\}) \neq Y(\{(0,1), (0,-1)\})$ .

For the remainder of this chapter  $S$  will denote a compact Hausdorff space.

Theorem 3.  $Y(\phi) = \phi$  if and only if  $S$  has a finite number of components.

Proof. Let  $S$  have a finite number of components. Then each component is both open and closed, hence  $\mathcal{M}(p) \neq \phi$  for all  $p \in S$  and thus if  $p \in S$  then  $p \in Y(\phi)$ .

Let  $Y(\phi) = \phi$ . Then  $\mathcal{M}(p) \neq \phi$  for all  $p \in S$ , hence each component of  $S$  is open. Since  $S$  is compact and each component of  $S$  is open,  $S$  has only a finite number of components.

The following theorems show the relationships between the concept of locally connected and the set function  $Y$ .

Theorem 4.  $S$  is locally connected at a point  $p$  if and only if for all subsets  $A$  of  $S$ , if  $p$  is an element of  $Y(A)$ , then  $p$  is an element of the closure of  $A$ .

Proof. Let  $S$  be locally connected at  $p$  and suppose  $p$  is not an element of the closure of  $A$ . There exists an open set  $U$  such that  $p \in U$  and  $Cl(U) \cap A = \emptyset$ . Since  $S$  is locally connected at  $p$ , there exist an open connected set  $V$  such that  $p \in V \subset U$ .  $Cl(V) \cap A = \emptyset$  and  $Cl(V) \in \mathcal{M}(p)$ . Therefore  $p$  is not an element of  $Y(A)$  and it follows that if  $p$  is an element of  $Y(A)$ , then  $p$  is an element of the closure of  $A$ .

Let  $p$  be an element of  $S$  such that for all  $A \subset S$ , if  $p$  is an element of  $Y(A)$ , then  $p$  is an element of the closure of  $A$ . Let  $U$  be an open set containing  $p$ , then  $S - U$  is a closed set and  $p$  is not an element of  $S - U$ . There exist  $W \in \mathcal{M}(p)$  such that  $W \cap (S - U) = \emptyset$ , hence  $p \in \text{Int}(W) \subset W \subset U$  and thus,  $S$  is locally connected at  $p$ . The theorem is proven.

Corollary 5.  $S$  is locally connected if and only if for  $A \subset S$ ,  $Y(A) = Cl(A)$ .

The next theorem shows the relation between  $Y$ -additivity and the locally connected spaces.

Theorem 6.  $S$  is locally connected if and only if

1.  $Y(p) = \{p\}$  for all  $p \in S$  and
2.  $S$  is  $Y$ -additive.

Proof. Let  $Y(p) = \{p\}$  for all  $p \in S$  and let  $S$  be  $Y$ -additive. Let  $A \subset S$ , then  $Cl(A) \subset Y(A) \subset Y(Cl(A)) =$

$Y(\cup\{\{p\} \mid p \in Cl(A)\}) = \cup\{Y(p) \mid p \in Cl(A)\} = \cup\{\{p\} \mid p \in Cl(A)\} = Cl(A)$ . Hence  $Y(A) = Cl(A)$  and thus by corollary 5  $S$  is locally connected.

Let  $S$  be locally connected and let  $\{A_\alpha\}$  be a set of closed sets such that  $\cup\{A_\alpha\}$  is closed. By corollary 5  $Y(A_\alpha) = A_\alpha$  and  $Y(\cup\{A_\alpha\}) = \cup\{A_\alpha\}$ . Hence  $\cup\{Y(A_\alpha)\} = \cup\{A_\alpha\} = Y(\cup\{A_\alpha\})$  and  $S$  is  $Y$ -additive. Since  $S$  is Hausdorff, for  $p \in S$   $\{p\}$  is closed and by corollary 5  $Y(p) = \{p\}$ . The theorem is proven.

The following two examples show that neither  $Y$ -additivity or  $Y(p) = \{p\}$  for all  $p \in S$  implies the other.

In example 3  $S$  was not  $Y$ -additive, but  $Y(p) = \{p\}$  for all  $p$  element of  $S$  (hence  $S$  is not locally connected).

In example 2  $S$  was  $Y$ -additive, but  $Y((0,1)) = \{(0,y) \mid 0 \leq y \leq 1\}$  (hence  $S$  is not locally connected).

Definition.  $S$  is called  $Y$ -symmetric if and only if for any two closed subsets  $A$  and  $B$  of  $S$ , if  $Y(A)$  is disjoint from  $B$ , then  $Y(B)$  is disjoint from  $A$ .

Theorem 7. Let  $S$  be  $Y$ -symmetric, then  $S$  is  $Y$ -additive.

Proof. Let  $\{A_\alpha\}$  be a set of closed sets such that  $\cup\{A_\alpha\}$  is closed, then  $\cup\{Y(A_\alpha)\} \subset Y(\cup\{A_\alpha\})$ . Hence all that needs to be shown is that  $Y(\cup\{A_\alpha\}) \subset \cup\{Y(A_\alpha)\}$ . Let  $S$  be  $Y$ -symmetric. Let  $p \in Y(\cup\{A_\alpha\})$ , then  $Y(\cup\{A_\alpha\}) \cap \{p\} \neq \emptyset$ , hence  $Y(p) \cap (\cup\{A_\alpha\}) \neq \emptyset$ . Hence there exists  $\beta$  such that  $Y(p) \cap A_\beta \neq \emptyset$ . Therefore  $\{p\} \cap Y(A_\beta) \neq \emptyset$ , hence  $p \in Y(A_\beta)$  and therefore  $p \in \cup\{Y(A_\alpha)\}$ . Therefore  $Y(\cup\{A_\alpha\}) \subset \cup\{Y(A_\alpha)\}$  and the theorem is proven.

In example 2  $S$  is  $Y$ -additive but  $S$  is not  $Y$ -symmetric since  $Y((0,1)) = \{(0,y) \mid 0 \leq y \leq 1\} \supset \{(0,0)\}$  and  $Y((0,0)) = \{(0,0)\}$ .

Theorem 8. Let  $S$  be  $Y$ -symmetric, then  $S$  is locally connected at  $p$ , if and only if  $Y(p) = \{p\}$ .

Proof. Let  $S$  be  $Y$ -symmetric and locally connected at  $p$ . Let  $q \in Y(p)$ , then  $Y(p) \cap \{q\} \neq \emptyset$ , hence  $Y(q) \cap \{p\} \neq \emptyset$ , hence  $p \in Y(q)$ ; since  $S$  is locally connected at  $p$ ,  $p \in Cl(\{q\}) = \{q\}$  and hence  $p = q$ . Therefore  $\{p\} = Y(p)$ .

Let  $S$  be  $Y$ -symmetric and  $\{p\} = Y(p)$ . Let  $U$  be an open set containing  $p$ . If  $p \in Y(S - U)$ , then  $(S - U) \cap Y(p) \neq \emptyset$ , but  $Y(p) = \{p\}$  and hence  $(S - U) \cap \{p\} \neq \emptyset$ , a contradiction. Therefore  $p \notin Y(S - U)$  and hence there exists  $W \in \mathcal{M}(p)$  such that  $W \cap (S - U) = \emptyset$ . Thus  $p \in \text{Int}(W) \subset W \subset U$  and the theorem is proven.

Following the convention in [4] page 6,  $\mathfrak{F}$  is called a filter-base in a topological space  $S$  if and only if

1.  $\mathfrak{F} \subset P(S)$
2.  $\mathfrak{F} \neq \emptyset$
3.  $A, B \in \mathfrak{F}$  implies that there exist  $C \in \mathfrak{F}$  such that  $C$  is a subset of  $A$  intersect  $B$ .

$\mathfrak{F}$  is said to be proper if and only if  $\emptyset \notin \mathfrak{F}$ .

$\mathfrak{F}$  is said to be closed if and only if  $A \in \mathfrak{F}$  implies  $A$  is closed.

Theorem 9. If  $\mathfrak{F}$  is a proper closed filter-base in  $S$ , then  $Y(\cap\{A \mid A \in \mathfrak{F}\}) = \cap\{Y(A) \mid A \in \mathfrak{F}\}$ .

Proof. Let  $x \in Y(\cap\{A \mid A \in \mathfrak{F}\})$ , then for all  $W \in \mathcal{M}(x)$   
 $W \cap (\cap\{A \mid A \in \mathfrak{F}\}) \neq \emptyset$ . Therefore for all  $A \in \mathfrak{F}$  and all  $W \in \mathcal{M}(x)$ ,  
 $W \cap A \neq \emptyset$ , hence  $x \in Y(A)$  for all  $A \in \mathfrak{F}$ , hence  
 $x \in \cap\{Y(A) \mid A \in \mathfrak{F}\}$  and  $Y(\cap\{A \mid A \in \mathfrak{F}\}) \subset \cap\{Y(A) \mid A \in \mathfrak{F}\}$ .

Let  $x \notin Y(\cap\{A \mid A \in \mathfrak{F}\})$ , then there exists  $W \in \mathcal{M}(x)$   
such that  $W \cap (\cap\{A \mid A \in \mathfrak{F}\}) = \emptyset$ . Hence  $W \subset S - \cap\{A \mid A \in \mathfrak{F}\}$   
and  $\{S - A \mid A \in \mathfrak{F}\}$  is an open covering for  $W$ . Since  $W$  is  
compact there exist  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  such that  
 $W \subset \cup\{S - A_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\} = S - \cap\{A_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ . Since  $\mathfrak{F}$  is a  
proper closed filter base, there exists an element,  $A$ , of  $\mathfrak{F}$   
such that  $A \subset \cap\{A_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ , hence  $W \cap A = \emptyset$  and  $x \notin Y(A)$ .  
Therefore  $x \notin \cap\{Y(A) \mid A \in \mathfrak{F}\}$  and  $\cap\{Y(A) \mid A \in \mathfrak{F}\} \subset Y(\cap\{A \mid A \in \mathfrak{F}\})$ .  
The theorem is proven.

Theorem 10.  $S$  is  $Y$ -additive if and only if for each  
pair  $A$  and  $B$  of closed subsets of  $S$   $Y(A \cup B) = Y(A) \cup Y(B)$ .

Proof. Let  $S$  be  $Y$ -additive and let  $A$  and  $B$  be  
closed subsets, then  $Y(A) \cup Y(B) = Y(A \cup B)$ .

Let  $Y(A) \cup Y(B) = Y(A \cup B)$  for any two closed subsets  
of  $S$ . Let  $\{A_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \mathcal{A}\}$  be a set of closed sets such that  
 $\cup\{A_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \mathcal{A}\}$  is closed.

Since  $\cup\{Y(A_\alpha) \mid \alpha \in \mathcal{A}\} \subset Y(\cup\{A_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \mathcal{A}\})$  all that needs  
to be shown is that  $Y(\cup\{A_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \mathcal{A}\}) \subset \cup\{Y(A_\alpha) \mid \alpha \in \mathcal{A}\}$ .

For each  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$  let  $\mathfrak{F}(A_\alpha)$  be the collection of closed  
subsets  $B$  of  $S$  such that  $A_\alpha \subset \text{Int}(B)$ . If  $A_\alpha = \emptyset$  then  
 $Y(A_\alpha) = \cap\{Y(B) \mid B \in \mathfrak{F}(A_\alpha)\}$ . If  $A_\alpha \neq \emptyset$ , then  $\mathfrak{F}(A_\alpha)$  is a closed  
proper filter base of  $S$  and since  $\cap\{B \mid B \in \mathfrak{F}(A_\alpha)\} = A_\alpha$ ,  
 $Y(A_\alpha) = \cap\{Y(B) \mid B \in \mathfrak{F}(A_\alpha)\}$ .





Suppose  $x \notin \bigcup \{Y(A_\alpha) \mid \alpha \in \mathcal{A}\}$ . Then for each  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$  there exists  $B_\alpha \in \mathfrak{F}(A_\alpha)$  such that  $x \notin Y(B_\alpha)$ .  $\{Int(B_\alpha) \mid \alpha \in \mathcal{A}\}$  is an open covering of the compact set  $\bigcup \{A_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \mathcal{A}\}$  and hence there exists  $B_1, \dots, B_n$  such that  $\bigcup \{A_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \mathcal{A}\} \subset \bigcup \{Int(B_i) \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ . By hypothesis  $Y(\bigcup \{B_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}) = \bigcup \{Y(B_i) \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ , hence  $x \notin Y(\bigcup \{B_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}) \supset Y(\bigcup \{A_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \mathcal{A}\})$ . Therefore  $Y(\bigcup \{A_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \mathcal{A}\}) \subset \bigcup \{Y(A_\alpha) \mid \alpha \in \mathcal{A}\}$  and the theorem is proven.

The following example shows that  $Y(\{p, q\}) = Y(p) \cup Y(q)$  for any two elements of  $Z$  and that  $Z$  is not  $Y$ -additive.

Example 5. Let  $S$  be the space in example 3 and let  $Z = S \times I$ . Then  $Y(p) \cup Y(q) = Y(\{p, q\})$  for all  $p, q \in Z$ , but  $Y((0, 1) \times I) = (0, 1) \times I$  and  $Y((0, -1) \times I) = (0, -1) \times I$  but  $Y(((0, 1) \times I) \cup ((0, -1) \times I)) = \{(0, y) \mid -1 \leq y \leq 1\} \times I$ .

Theorem 11. If for all  $p \in S$  and any finite collection,  $\{W_i\}$ , of elements of  $\mathcal{M}(p)$ , there exists  $W \in \mathcal{M}(p)$  such that  $W \subset \bigcap \{W_i\}$ , then  $S$  is  $Y$ -additive.

Proof. By Theorem 10 all that is needed to be shown is that  $Y(A) \cup Y(B) = Y(A \cup B)$  for any two closed subsets of  $S$ . By formula 3 all that needs to be shown is that  $Y(A \cup B) \subset Y(A) \cup Y(B)$ .

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be any two closed subsets of  $S$  and let  $p \notin Y(A) \cup Y(B)$ . There exists  $W_1, W_2 \in \mathcal{M}(p)$  such that  $W_1 \cap A = \emptyset = W_2 \cap B$ . By hypothesis there exists  $W \in \mathcal{M}(p)$  such that  $W \subset W_1 \cap W_2$ . Hence  $W \cap (A \cup B) = \emptyset$  and  $p \notin Y(A \cup B)$ , thus  $Y(A \cup B) \subset Y(A) \cup Y(B)$ . Compare with Chapter 1, paragraph 2 of [5].

Theorem 12. Let  $C$  be a subcontinuum of the continuum  $S$ , then  $Y(C)$  is a continuum.

Proof. Since  $Y(C)$  is closed and hence compact, all that needs to be proven is that  $Y(C)$  is connected.

Suppose  $Y(C) = A \cup B_{\text{sep}}$  and  $C \subset A$ . Since  $S$  is normal, there exists  $U$  and  $V$  open set with disjoint closures such that  $A \subset U$  and  $B \subset V$ . Since  $C \subset A \subset U$  and  $B \subset V$ ,  $Y(C)$  is disjoint from  $\text{Fr}(V)$ , where  $\text{Fr}(V)$  denotes the boundary of  $V$ . Therefore for all  $y \in \text{Fr}(V)$ , there exists  $W_y \in \mathcal{M}(y)$  such that  $W_y \cap C = \emptyset$ . Since  $\{\text{Int}(W_y)\}$  forms an open covering of  $\text{Fr}(V)$ , there exists strong continua  $W_1, \dots, W_n$  such that  $W_i \cap C = \emptyset$  and  $\bigcup \{\text{Int}(W_i) \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\} \supset \text{Fr}(V)$ . If  $K$  is a component of  $V$  then  $\text{Cl}(K) \cap \text{Fr}(V) \neq \emptyset$ , hence  $V \cup (\bigcup \{\text{Int}(W_i) \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\})$  has only a finite number of components. Therefore each component of  $V \cup (\bigcup \{\text{Int}(W_i) \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\})$  is open. Let  $b \in B$  and  $K_b$  be the component of  $V \cup (\bigcup \{\text{Int}(W_i) \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\})$  containing  $b$ , then  $\text{Cl}(K_b) \in \mathcal{M}(b)$  and  $\text{Cl}(K_b) \cap C = \emptyset$ . Therefore  $b \notin Y(C)$ , but this contradicts the fact that  $B \subset Y(C)$ . Therefore  $Y(C)$  is a continuum.

## CHAPTER 2

### RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN $Y$ AND $T$

This chapter develops some relationships between  $T$  and  $Y$ .

Definition. Let  $S$  be a topological space, then  $T$  is the closure with respect to continua.

Theorem 13. Let  $A$  be a subset of the topological space  $S$ , then  $T(A)$  is a subset of  $Y(A)$ .

Proof. Suppose  $x \notin Y(A)$ . Then there exists  $W \in \mathcal{M}(p)$  such that  $W \cap A = \emptyset$ . Since  $W \in \mathcal{M}(p)$ ,  $x \in \text{Int}(W)$  and therefore  $x \notin T(A)$ . Hence  $T(A) \subset Y(A)$ .

The following example shows that  $T(A)$  need not be  $Y(A)$ .

Example 6. Let  $S$  be the subcontinuum of the plane defined as follows.  $S$  is the closed line segments between  $(1,0)$  and  $(0, \frac{1}{n})$  for  $n \geq 1$  union with the closed line segments between  $(1, \frac{1}{n})$  and  $(2,0)$  for  $n \geq 1$  union with the closed line segment between  $(0,0)$  and  $(2,0)$ .  $T((2,0)) = \{(x,0) \mid 1 \leq x \leq 2\}$  and  $Y((2,0)) = \{(x,0) \mid 0 \leq x \leq 2\}$ .

The following is an example of a space that is  $Y$ -additive, but not  $T$ -additive.

Example 7. Let  $S_0$  be the closed line segments between  $(0, \frac{1}{n}, 0)$  and  $(1, 0, 0)$ , between  $(1, \frac{1}{n}, 0)$  and  $(2, 0, 0)$ , between

$(2, \frac{1}{n}, 0)$  and  $(3, 0, 0)$ , between  $(1, -\frac{1}{n}, 0)$  and  $(0, 0, 0)$ , between  $(2, -\frac{1}{n}, 0)$  and  $(1, 0, 0)$ , between  $(3, -\frac{1}{n}, 0)$  and  $(2, 0, 0)$ , between  $(1\frac{1}{2}, 0, \frac{1}{n})$  and  $(0, 0, 0)$ , between  $(3, 0, 0)$  and  $(1\frac{1}{2}, 0, \frac{1}{n})$  for  $n \geq 1$  unioned with the closed line segment  $(0, 0, 0)$  and  $(3, 0, 0)$ .  $T((0, 0, 0)) = \{(x, 0, 0) \mid 0 \leq x \leq 1\}$  and  $T((3, 0, 0)) = \{(x, 0, 0) \mid 2 \leq x \leq 3\}$ , but  $T(\{(0, 0, 0), (3, 0, 0)\}) = \{(x, 0, 0) \mid 0 \leq x \leq 3\}$ .

Let  $L = \{(x, 0, 0) \mid 0 \leq x \leq 3\}$ . If  $A \subset S$  is closed then  $Y(A) = A$  if  $A \cap L = \emptyset$  and  $Y(A) = A \cup L$  if  $A \cap L \neq \emptyset$ . Thus  $S$  is  $Y$ -additive.

For the remainder of this chapter  $S$  will be a compact Hausdorff continuum.

Definition.  $S$  is called weakly irreducible if and only if given  $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n$  subcontinua of  $S$ ,  $S - \bigcup\{C_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  has a finite number of components.

Lemma 14. Let  $S$  be weakly irreducible and let  $C$  be a subcontinuum of  $S$ , then  $\text{Int}(C)$  has only a finite number of components.

Proof. Let  $S - C$  have components  $K_1, \dots, K_n$ , then  $\text{Int}(C) = S - \bigcup\{Cl(K_i) \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  which has only a finite number of components.

Theorem 15. Let  $S$  be weakly irreducible and let  $A$  be a subset of  $S$ , then  $T(A) = Y(A)$ .

Proof. Since  $T(A) \subset Y(A)$ , all that needs to be shown is that  $Y(A) \subset T(A)$ . Let  $x \notin T(A)$ , then there exists a continuum  $W$  such that  $x \in \text{Int}(W)$  and  $W \cap A = \emptyset$ . Since  $\text{Int}(W)$  has only a finite number of components each component is open;

let  $K$  be the component containing  $x$ , then  $Cl(K) \in \mathcal{M}(p)$  and  $Cl(K) \cap A = \emptyset$ , therefore  $x \notin Y(A)$ ; hence  $Y(A) \subset T(A)$  and the theorem is proven.

Corollary 16. If  $S$  is weakly irreducible, then

1.  $S$  is  $Y$ -symmetric
2.  $S$  is locally connected at  $p$ , if and only if  $S$  is connected Im Kleinen at  $p$ .
3. If  $S$  is also aposynedetic, then  $S$  is locally connected.

Proof. This follows from the previous theorem and from Theorem 6 of [2].

The following develops a weaker statement which is equivalent to weakly irreducible.

Definition. Let  $S$  be a continuum and let  $A$  be a subset of  $S$ .  $S$  is called irreducible about  $A$  if and only if for  $C$  a subcontinuum of  $S$  such that  $A \subset C$ , then  $C = S$ .  
Notation  $S = [A]$ .

Definition. Let  $S$  be a topological space, let  $A$  and  $B$  be two disjoint closed subsets of  $S$  and let  $M$  be a subcontinuum of  $S$ .  $M$  is called irreducible from  $A$  to  $B$  if and only if  $M$  intersects both  $A$  and  $B$  non-voidly and no proper subcontinuum of  $M$  intersects both  $A$  and  $B$ .

The following two theorems are from [6].

Theorem A (Theorem 43). Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two disjoint closed subsets of  $S$ , then  $S$  contains a continuum irreducible from  $A$  to  $B$ .

Theorem B (Theorem 47). Let A and B be two disjoint closed subsets of S and let M be an irreducible continuum from A to B, then  $M - (A \cup B)$  and  $M - A$  are connected.

Theorem 17. Let  $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n$  be disjoint subcontinua of S, then there exists a component K of  $S - \bigcup\{C_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  such that  $\text{Cl}(K) \cap C_1 \neq \emptyset$  and  $\text{Cl}(K) \cap (\bigcup\{C_i \mid 2 \leq i \leq n\}) \neq \emptyset$ .

Proof. Since  $C_1$  and  $\bigcup\{C_i \mid 2 \leq i \leq n\}$  are closed disjoint subsets of S, S contains a continuum, M, irreducible from  $C_1$  to  $\bigcup\{C_i \mid 2 \leq i \leq n\}$ .

Let  $L = M - \bigcup\{C_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ , then  $\text{Cl}(L) \cap C_1 \neq \emptyset$ ,  $\text{Cl}(L) \cap (\bigcup\{C_i \mid 2 \leq i \leq n\}) \neq \emptyset$  and L is connected. Let K be the component of  $S - \bigcup\{C_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  containing L, then  $\text{Cl}(K) \cap C_1 \neq \emptyset$  and  $\text{Cl}(K) \cap (\bigcup\{C_i \mid 2 \leq i \leq n\}) \neq \emptyset$ .

Corollary 18. Let  $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n$  be disjoint subcontinua of S, then there exists  $K_1, \dots, K_m$ , components of  $S - \bigcup\{C_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ ,  $m \leq n$ , such that  $(\bigcup\{K_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq m\}) \cup \{\bigcup\{C_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}\}$  is a subcontinuum of S.

Theorem 19. S is weakly irreducible if and only if given any W a subcontinuum of S,  $S - W$  has a finite number of components.

Proof. Let S be weakly irreducible and let C be a subcontinuum of S, then  $S - C$  has a finite number of components by definition.

Let S be such that for any subcontinuum W of S,  $S - W$  has a finite number of components. Let  $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n$  be subcontinua of S. Then  $\bigcup\{C_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\} = \bigcup\{M_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq m\}$  where the  $M_i$  are disjoint components of  $\bigcup\{C_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ .

The  $M_i$  are disjoint subcontinua of  $S$ . Therefore there exist  $k_1, \dots, k_\ell$  components of  $S - \bigcup\{M_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq m\}$  such that  $C = (\bigcup\{k_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq \ell\}) \cup (\bigcup M_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq m)$  is a continuum. Therefore  $S - C$  has a finite number of components  $t_1, \dots, t_0$ . Therefore  $S - \bigcup\{C_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  has less than or equal to  $\ell + 0$  components. The theorem is proven.

Theorem 20. Let  $S = [\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}]$ , then  $S$  is weakly irreducible.

Proof. Let  $C$  be a subcontinuum of  $S$  and let  $k_i$  be the component of  $S - C$  containing  $x_i$  if  $x_i \notin C$ .  $(\bigcup\{k_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } x_i \notin C\}) \cup C$  is a subcontinuum and  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\} \subset (\bigcup\{k_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } x_i \notin C\}) \cup C$ ; therefore  $S = (\bigcup\{k_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } x_i \notin C\}) \cup C$ . Hence  $S - C$  has less than or equal to  $n$  components. Therefore  $S$  is weakly irreducible.

Corollary 21. If  $S = [\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}]$ , then

1.  $S$  is connected Im Kleinen at  $p$  if and only if  $S$  is locally connected at  $p$
2.  $S$  is Y-symmetric.

Proof. This follows from Corollary 16 and Theorem 20.

In Example 2  $S = [\{(\frac{1}{n}, 0) \mid n > 0\} \cup \{(0, 0), (0, 1)\}]$ , but  $S$  is not weakly irreducible since  $S - \{(0, 0)\}$  has an infinite number of components.

Definition.  $B$  is called a compact separator of the topological space  $S$  if and only if

1.  $B$  is compact
2.  $S - B = H \cup K$  sep.

Theorem 22. If  $A$  is a subset of  $S$ , then  $Y(A)$  intersects any compact separator of  $S$  that separates  $A$  from any point of  $Y(A)$ .

Proof. Suppose the theorem is false and there exists a compact set  $B$  such that  $S - B = H \cup K$  sep,  $A \subset H$ ,  $p \in Y(A) \cap K$  and  $S - B \supset Y(A)$ . Since  $B$  is closed, both  $H$  and  $K$  are open and since  $Cl(K) \cap H = \emptyset$ , if  $k$  is a component of  $K$  then  $Cl(k) \cap B \neq \emptyset$ . Since  $B \subset S - Y(A)$ , there exists a finite number of strong continua,  $W_i$ , such that  $W_i \cap A = \emptyset$  and  $B \subset \bigcup \{Int(W_i)\}$ . Therefore  $K \cup (\bigcup \{Int(W_i)\})$  has a finite number of components and each component is open. Let  $k$  be the component of  $K \cup (\bigcup \{Int(W_i)\})$  containing  $p$ , then  $Cl(k) \in \mathcal{M}(p)$  and  $Cl(k) \cap A = \emptyset$ . Therefore  $p \notin Y(A)$ , contradiction. The theorem is proven.

Corollary 23. If  $A \subset S$ , then every component of  $Y(A)$  intersects  $\bar{A}$ .

Proof. See Corollary 1.1 of [7].

Corollary 24. If  $A$  is a closed subset of  $S$  and  $Y(A)$  is totally disconnected, then  $Y(A) = A$ .

Proof. See Corollary 1.2 of [7].

Corollary 25. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be closed, totally disconnected subsets, where  $A \subset S_1$  and  $B \subset S_2$ , then for any closed subset  $K \subset A \times B \subset S_1 \times S_2$ ,  $Y(K) = K = T(K)$ .

Proof. See Theorem 2 of [7].

Theorem 26. Let  $p \in S \times S$ , then  $Y(p) = \{p\}$ .

Proof. Let  $q = (a, b)$  and  $p = (c, d)$  be two distinct points of  $S \times S$ , then  $a \neq c$  or  $b \neq d$ . It may be assumed



that  $a \neq c$ . There exists  $U$  and  $V$  open set such that  $a \in U$ ,  $c \notin \bar{U}$  and  $d \notin \bar{V}$ . Then  $(a,b)$  is an element of the open set  $(U \times S) \cup (S \times V)$  and  $(c,d)$  is not an element of the closed set  $(Cl(U) \times S) \cup (S \times Cl(V))$ .

To show that  $(U \times S) \cup (S \times V)$  is connected, it need only be shown that for  $(e,f)$  and  $(h,g)$  elements of  $(U \times S) \cup (S \times V)$  that there are elements of a connected subset of  $(U \times S) \cup (S \times V)$ .

Case 1.  $(e,f)$  and  $(h,g)$  are elements of  $U \times S$  or  $S \times V$ . It may be assumed that there are elements of  $U \times S$ . Let  $t \in V$  then  $(\{e\} \times S) \cup (\{h\} \times S) \cup (S \times \{t\})$  is a connected set since  $(\{e\} \times S) \cap (S \times \{t\}) = (e,t)$ ,  $(\{h\} \times S) \cap (S \times \{t\}) = (h,t)$  and  $(\{e\} \times S) \cup (\{h\} \times S) \cup (S \times \{t\}) \subset U \times S \cup S \times V$ .

Case 2.  $(e,f) \in U \times S$  and  $(h,g) \in S \times V$  then  $(\{e\} \times S) \cup (S \times \{g\})$  is a connected subset of  $(U \times S) \cup (S \times V)$ . The theorem is proven.

Corollary 27. The following are equivalent

1.  $S$  is locally connected
2.  $S \times S$  is Y-additive
3.  $S \times S$  is T-additive.

In the following theorem the hypothesis that  $S$  is connected is not necessary.

Theorem 28. If  $A \subset \text{Int}(B) \subset B \subset S$  and  $T(B) = B$ , then  $Y(A) \subset B$ .

Proof. First we show that each component of  $S - B$  is open. Let  $K$  be a component of  $S - B$  and let  $x \in K$ .

Since  $x \notin T(B)$ , there exists a continuum  $W$  such that  $x \in \text{Int}(W)$  and  $W \cap B = \emptyset$ . Hence  $W \subset K$  and  $x \in \text{Int}(W)$ , therefore  $x \in \text{Int}(K)$ . Since  $x$  could be any element of  $K$ ,  $K$  is open.

Now we show that  $Y(A) \subset B$ . Let  $p \in S - B$  and let  $K$  be the component of  $S - B$  containing  $p$ . Then  $\text{Cl}(K) \in \mathcal{M}(p)$  and  $\text{Cl}(K) \cap A = \emptyset$ , therefore  $p \notin Y(A)$  and thus  $Y(A) \subset B$ .

**Corollary 29.**  $S$  is locally connected if and only if  $S$  is connected Im Kleinen.

**Proof.** If  $S$  is locally connected then  $S$  is connected Im Kleinen.

Let  $S$  be connected Im Kleinen, then  $T(A) = \text{Cl}(A)$  and  $S$  is  $T$ -additive [2]. Let  $U$  be an open set containing  $A$ , then  $T(\text{Cl}(U)) = \text{Cl}(U)$ , hence  $Y(A) \subset \text{Cl}(U)$  by Theorem 28.  $\text{Cl}(A) \subset Y(A) \subset \bigcap \{ \text{Cl}(U) \mid A \subset U \text{ and } U \text{ is open} \} = \text{Cl}(A)$ , hence  $T = Y$ . Therefore  $S$  is  $Y$ -additive and  $Y(p) = \{p\}$  for all  $p \in S$ , thus  $S$  is locally connected.

Davis has the following theorem in [9].

Let  $S$  be a compact Hausdorff space, then the following are equivalent

1.  $T(A) \cap B = \emptyset$  where  $A$  and  $B$  are closed
2. There exist closed subsets  $M$  and  $N$  such that  $A \subset \text{Int}(M)$ ,  $B \subset \text{Int}(N)$  and  $T(M) \cap N = \emptyset$ .

**Corollary 30.** If  $T^2(A) = T(A)$  for all  $A \subset S$ , then  $T(A) = Y(A)$  for all  $A \subset S$ .

**Proof.** Let  $x \notin T(A)$ , then there exists an open set  $U$  such that  $A \subset U$  and  $x \notin T(\text{Cl}(U))$ , [9]. Since  $T(T(\text{Cl}(U))) =$

$T(Cl(U))$  and since  $A \subset U \subset \text{Int}(T(Cl(U)))$ ,  $Y(A) \subset T(Cl(U))$  by Theorem 28, therefore  $x \notin Y(A)$ . Thus  $T(A) = Y(A)$ .

## CHAPTER 3

### Y AND MONOTONE MAPS

This chapter is a study of the relations between  $Y$  and monotone functions.

For the following theorems all spaces are Hausdorff.

Definition. A function  $f$  from  $S$  onto  $Z$  is called monotone if and only if  $f$  is continuous and  $f^{-1}(z)$  is connected for all  $z \in Z$ .

Theorem. Let  $f$  be an open monotone map of  $S$  onto  $Z$  and let  $A$  be a connected subset of  $Z$ , then  $f^{-1}(A)$  is connected.

Proof. See Chapter VI, section 3, problem 1 of [8].

Theorem 31. Let  $f$  be a closed monotone map of  $S$  onto  $Z$  and let  $A$  be a connected subset of  $Z$ , then  $f^{-1}(A)$  is connected.

Proof. Suppose the theorem is false and let  $C$  be a connected subset of  $Z$  such that  $f^{-1}(C) = M \cup N$  sep.  $f(M) \cap f(N) = \emptyset$ , for if  $p \in f(M) \cap f(N)$ , then  $f^{-1}(p) \cap N \neq \emptyset$  and  $f^{-1}(p) \cap M \neq \emptyset$ , but  $f^{-1}(p)$  is connected, hence  $f^{-1}(C) \neq M \cup N$  sep. Therefore  $f(N) \cap f(M) = \emptyset$ .

$C = f(f^{-1}(C)) = f(M \cup N) = f(M) \cup f(N)$  and  $C$  is connected. Therefore  $Cl(f(N)) \cap f(M) \neq \emptyset$  or  $f(N) \cap Cl(f(M)) \neq \emptyset$ . We may assume that  $Cl(f(N)) \cap M \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $p \in Cl(f(N)) \cap f(M)$ ,

then  $f^{-1}(p) \cap M \neq \emptyset$ .  $f^{-1}(p)$  is connected, hence  $f^{-1}(p) \subset M$ .  
 $\{p\} \subset \text{Cl}(f(N)) = f(\text{Cl}(N))$  since  $f$  is a closed map. Therefore  
 $f^{-1}(p) \cap \text{Cl}(N) \neq \emptyset$ , hence  $\text{Cl}(N) \cap M \neq \emptyset$ . This is a contradiction of separability. Thus  $f^{-1}(C)$  is connected.

For the following theorems all spaces are compact Hausdorff spaces.

Theorem 32. Let  $f$  be a monotone map of  $S$  onto  $Z$   
and let  $W$  be a strong subcontinuum of  $Z$ , then  $\text{Cl}(f^{-1}(\text{Int}(W)))$   
is a strong continuum.

Proof. Since  $f$  is a continuous map of a compact Hausdorff space onto a compact Hausdorff space  $f$  is a closed map. Therefore by Theorem 29  $f^{-1}(\text{Int}(W))$  is connected. Since  $f$  is continuous,  $f^{-1}(\text{Int}(W))$  is open. Thus,  $\text{Cl}(f^{-1}(\text{Int}(W)))$  is a strong continuum.

The following example shows that even if  $f$  is a closed monotone map,  $f^{-1}$  of a strong continuum need not be a strong continuum.

Example 8. Let  $S = I^2$ ,  $Z = \{(x,y) \mid \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1 \text{ and } 0 \leq y \leq 1\}$  and let  $A = \{(x,y) \mid 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2} \text{ and } 0 \leq y \leq 1\}$ .  
define  $f: S \rightarrow Z$  by  $f(x,y) = (x,y)$  if  $\frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1$  and  
 $f(x,y) = (\frac{1}{2}, y)$  if  $0 \leq x < \frac{1}{2}$ . Let  $W = \{(x,y) \mid (x - 3/4)^2 + (y - 1/4)^2 \leq 1/4\} \cup \{(\frac{1}{2}, y) \mid 0 \leq y \leq 1\}$ .  $f^{-1}(W) = A \cup W$ ,  
 $\text{Int}(A) \cap W = \emptyset$  and  $A \cap \text{Int}(W) = \emptyset$ .

Theorem 33. Let  $f$  be a monotone map of  $S$  onto  $Z$ ,  
then  $Y(f^{-1}(A)) \subset f^{-1}(Y(A))$ .

Proof. Let  $A$  be a subset of  $Z$  and suppose  $p \notin f^{-1}(Y(A))$ ,  
then  $f(p) \notin Y(A)$ . Hence there exist  $W \in \mathcal{M}(f(p))$  such that

$W \cap A = \emptyset$ . Therefore  $f^{-1}(W) \cap f^{-1}(A) = \emptyset$ . By Theorem 30  $\text{Cl}(f^{-1}(\text{Int}(W))) \in \mathcal{M}(p)$ , hence  $p \notin Y(A)$  and thus  $Y(f^{-1}(A)) \subset f^{-1}(Y(A))$ .

Theorem 34. Let  $f$  be a monotone map of  $S$  onto  $Z$ ,  
then  $f(Y(A)) \subset Y(f(A))$ .

Theorem 35. Let  $f$  be an open monotone map of  $S$  onto  
 $Z$ , then  $Y(f^{-1}(A)) = f^{-1}(Y(A))$ .

Proof. By Theorem 33  $Y(f^{-1}(A)) \subset f^{-1}(Y(A))$ , hence all that needs to be shown is that  $f^{-1}(Y(A)) \subset Y(f^{-1}(A))$ . Suppose  $p \notin Y(f^{-1}(A))$ , then there exist  $W \in \mathcal{M}(p)$  such that  $W \cap f^{-1}(A) = \emptyset$ , hence  $f(W) \cap A = \emptyset$ . Since  $f$  is open  $f(W) \in \mathcal{M}(f(p))$  and  $f(p) \notin Y(A)$ . Thus  $p \notin f^{-1}(Y(A))$  and  $f^{-1}(Y(A)) \subset Y(f^{-1}(A))$ .

Theorem 36. Let  $f$  be an open monotone map of  $S$  onto  
 $Z$ , then  $Y(A) = f(Y(f^{-1}(A)))$ .

Corollary 37. Let  $f$  be an open monotone map of  $S$   
onto  $Z$ , then

1. If  $S$  is  $Y$ -additive then  $Z$  is  $Y$ -additive
2. If  $S$  is  $Y$ -symmetric, then  $Z$  is  $Y$ -symmetric.

Proof. Let  $S$  be  $Y$ -symmetric and let  $A$  and  $B$  be closed subsets of  $Z$  such that  $Y(A) \cap B = \emptyset$ , then  $f^{-1}(Y(A)) \cap f^{-1}(B) = \emptyset$ . Since  $f^{-1}(Y(A)) = Y(f^{-1}(A))$ ,  $Y(f^{-1}(A)) \cap f^{-1}(B) = \emptyset$ . Since  $S$  is  $Y$ -symmetric  $Y(f^{-1}(B)) \cap f^{-1}(A) = \emptyset$ , thus  $Y(B) \cap A = \emptyset$  and  $Z$  is  $Y$ -symmetric.

Let  $S$  be  $Y$ -additive and let  $A$  and  $B$  be closed subsets of  $Z$ , then  $f^{-1}(Y(A) \cup Y(B)) = f^{-1}(Y(A)) \cup f^{-1}(Y(B)) = Y(f^{-1}(A)) \cup Y(f^{-1}(B)) = Y(f^{-1}(A) \cup f^{-1}(B)) = Y(f^{-1}(A \cup B)) =$

$f^{-1}(Y(A \cup B))$ , thus  $Y(A) \cup Y(B) = Y(A \cup B)$  and  $Z$  is  $Y$ -additive.

Corollary 38. Let  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  be continua, then  $S_1 \times S_2$  is locally connected if and only if  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are locally connected.

Proof. Let  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  be the two projection maps, then  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are open monotone maps.

Let  $S_1 \times S_2$  be locally connected, then  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are  $Y$ -additive and hence it suffices to show that  $Y(a) = \{a\}$  for all  $a \in S_1$ . Let  $a \in S_1$ , then  $Y(a) = P_1(Y(P_1^{-1}(a))) = P_1(Y(\{a\} \times S_2)) = P_1(\{a\} \times S_2) = a$ . Thus  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are locally connected.

Let  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  be locally connected. Let  $p \in S_1 \times S_2$  and let  $A$  be any subset of  $S_1 \times S_2$  such that  $p \notin Cl(A)$ , then there exist  $O_1 \subset S_1$  and  $O_2 \subset S_2$ , both open, such that  $p \in O_1 \times O_2$  and  $(O_1 \times O_2) \cap A = \emptyset$ . Since  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are locally connected, there exist  $W_1 \in \mathcal{M}(P_1(p))$  and  $W_2 \in \mathcal{M}(P_2(p))$  such that  $W_1 \subset O_1$  and  $W_2 \subset O_2$ , hence  $p \in W_1 \times W_2$  and  $(W_1 \times W_2) \cap A = \emptyset$ . Therefore  $p \notin Y(A)$ . Thus by Theorem 4  $S_1 \times S_2$  is locally connected.

Theorem 39. Let  $H$  and  $K$  be closed subsets of  $S$ , then the following are equivalent.

- a.  $H \cap Y(K) = \emptyset$
- b. There exists a finite collection  $C$  of strong continua such that  $H$  is contained in the union of the interiors of the elements of  $C$  and the intersection of each element of  $C$  with  $K$  is empty.

c. There exist two closed subsets M and N such that H is a subset of the interior of M, K is a subset of the interior of N and M intersect  $Y(N)$  is empty.

Proof. a implies b.

Let L be the set of strong continua of S such that  $\text{Int}(W) \cap H \neq \emptyset$  and  $W \cap K = \emptyset$ . Since  $H \cap Y(K) = \emptyset$ ,  $H \subset (\cup \{\text{Int}(W) \mid W \in L\})$ . Since H is compact, there exist  $W_1, \dots, W_n$  such that  $W_i \in L$  and  $H \subset (\cup \{\text{Int}(W_i) \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\})$ . Let  $C = \{W_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ .

b implies c.

Since S is normal there exist V such that V is open  $H \subset V \subset \text{Cl}(V) \subset \cup \{\text{Int}(W) \mid W \in C\}$  and there exist U such that U is open  $K \subset U$  and  $\text{Cl}(U) \cap (\cup \{W \mid W \in C\}) = \emptyset$ . Therefore  $\text{Cl}(V) \cap Y(\text{Cl}(U)) = \emptyset$ . Let  $\text{Cl}(V) = M$  and  $\text{Cl}(U) = N$ .

c implies a.

$K \subset N$ , therefore  $Y(K) \subset Y(N)$ ,  $H \subset M$  and  $M \cap Y(N) = \emptyset$ , thus  $H \cap Y(K) = \emptyset$ .

The closed monotone image of a T-symmetric compact Hausdorff space is a T-symmetric compact Hausdorff space. This final example shows that the closed monotone image of a Y-symmetric space need not be Y-symmetric and that  $f(Y(A))$  need not be  $Y(f(A))$ .

Example 9. Let S be the closed line segments between  $(-\frac{1}{n}, 0)$  and  $(0, 1)$  and the closed line segments between  $(-\frac{1}{n}, 2)$  and  $(0, 3)$  unioned with  $\{(x, \frac{1}{2} + \sin(\frac{1}{x})) \mid 0 < x \leq 1\} \cup \{(x, 2\frac{1}{2} + \sin(\frac{1}{x})) \mid 0 < x \leq 1\}$  unioned with the closed line segment



between  $(0,0)$  and  $(0,3)$ , then  $S$  is  $Y$ -symmetric and

$$Y((0,3)) = \{(0,y) \mid 2 \leq y \leq 3\}.$$

Let  $Z$  be the closed line segments between  $(-\frac{1}{n}, 0)$  and  $(0,1)$  unioned with those between  $(-\frac{1}{n}, 1)$  and  $(0,2)$  for  $n \geq 1$  unioned with  $\{(x, \frac{1}{2} + \sin(\frac{1}{x})) \mid 1 < x \leq 1\} \cup \{(x, 1\frac{1}{2} + \sin(\frac{1}{x})) \mid 0 < x \leq 1\}$  unioned with the closed line segment between  $(0,0)$  and  $(0,2)$ .

Let  $f((x,y)) = (x,y)$  if  $y \leq 1$ ,  $f((x,y)) = (0,1)$  if  $1 \leq y \leq 2$  and  $f((x,y)) = (x,y-1)$  if  $2 \leq y \leq 3$ .

$Z$  is not  $Y$ -symmetric since  $Y((0,0)) = \{(0,y) \mid 0 \leq y \leq 1\}$  and  $Y((0,2)) = \{(0,y) \mid 0 \leq y \leq 2\}$ .  $f(Y(0,3)) \neq Y(f(0,3))$  since  $f(Y((0,3))) = f(\{(0,y) \mid 2 \leq y \leq 3\}) = \{(0,y) \mid 1 \leq y \leq 2\}$  and  $Y(f((0,3))) = Y((0,2)) = \{(0,y) \mid 0 \leq y \leq 2\}$ .

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