

## 98. On Locally $Q$ -complete Spaces. III

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We assume always that  $X^{*1}$  is locally  $Q$ -complete but not a  $Q$ -space. Then there are one-point  $Q$ -completions of  $X$  [2]. In this paper, we shall investigate some properties of one-point  $Q$ -completions of  $X$ . We noticed, in [2], that  $X$  is open in  $\nu X$  and  $X \smile (\nu X - X)^{\beta}$  is a  $Q$ -space. We have similarly that if  $B$  is any compact subset in  $\beta X - X$  which contains  $\nu X - X$  then the space  $X \smile B$  is also a  $Q$ -space, and moreover the space  $Z$  obtained from  $X \smile B$  by contracting  $B$  to a point in  $B$  is a one-point  $Q$ -completion (Theorem 1 in [2]). In the following, we shall prove that any one-point  $Q$ -completion of  $X$  is given as an image of a space  $X \smile B$  under a continuous mapping  $\varphi$  such that  $\varphi|X$  is a homeomorphism which leaves every point of  $X$  invariant where  $B$  is some compact subset in  $\beta X - X$  which contains  $\nu X - X$ .

**Lemma 1.** *Suppose that  $Z = X \smile \{p\}$  is a one-point  $Q$ -completion of  $X$ . Then there is a continuous mapping  $\psi$  of  $\nu X$  onto  $Z$  such that  $\psi(\nu X - X) = \{p\}$ ,  $\psi(x) = x$  for every  $x \in X$  and  $\psi|X$  is a homeomorphism.*

*Proof.*  $X$  is considered as a uniform space  $X_1$  with the structure generated by  $C = \{f|X; f \in C(Z)\}$  and  $Z$  becomes a completion of  $X_1$ . On the other hand,  $X$  may be considered as a uniform space  $X_2$  with the structure generated by  $C(X)$ . Since  $C(X) \supset C$  and the identical mapping  $i$  is uniformly continuous,  $i$  has a continuous extension  $\psi$  of  $\nu X$  to  $Z$ . Hence, to prove Lemma, it is sufficient to show that  $\psi(\nu X - X) = p$ . Suppose that  $\{a_\alpha; a_\alpha \in X\} \rightarrow a \in \nu X - X$  and  $\psi(a) = b \in X \subset Z$ . We take an open neighborhood  $V$  (in  $Z$ ) of  $b$  which does not contain  $p$ .  $i^{-1}(V)$  is open in  $\nu X$  because  $X$  is open in  $\nu X$ . By the assumption, for some index  $\alpha_0$ ,  $\alpha > \alpha_0$  implies  $\psi(a_\alpha) = i(a_\alpha) \in V$ , and hence  $i^{-1}(V) \ni a_\alpha$  for  $\alpha > \alpha_0$ . This is a contradiction. We have therefore that  $\psi(\nu X - X) = p$ .

For any point  $x \in Z$ , let us put  $B(x) = \bigcap \overline{\psi^{-1}(V)}$  (in  $\beta X$ ) where  $V$  runs over all neighborhoods (in  $Z$ ) of  $x$ . Since  $\psi(\nu X - X) = p$ ,  $B(p)$  is a compact subset containing  $\nu X - X$ .

**Lemma 2.**  $B(x) = \{x\}$  for any  $x \in X \subset Z$  and  $B(p) \subset \beta X - X$ .

*Proof.* For any point  $y \in X \subset Z$ , there is an open neighborhood  $U$  (in  $Z$ ) of  $y \in X \subset Z$  which is disjoint from some neighborhood (in  $Z$ ) of  $p$ . We have therefore  $B(p) \not\ni y$ , which implies that  $B(p) \subset \beta X - X$ . Simi-

\*1) A space  $X$  considered here is always a completely regular  $T_1$ -space, and other terminologies used here, for instance "Q-completion," are the same as in [2,3].