

MAPPING SPACES AND CS-NETWORKS

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In this paper the space of maps from an \aleph_0 -space to a space Y is studied by means of convergent sequence-networks. The notion of a cs - σ -space, a simultaneous generalization of metric spaces and \aleph_0 -spaces, is defined, and it is shown that if Y is a (paracompact) cs - σ -space then the mapping space from X to Y is a (paracompact) cs - σ -space when equipped with either the compact-open or the cs -open topology. It is proved that the compact sets are the same in the two topologies. The class of cs - σ -spaces and the class of \aleph_0 -spaces introduced by O'Meara are shown to be identical in the presence of paracompactness.

In this paper all maps are continuous and all spaces Hausdorff.

1. *CS-networks.* We shall call a collection \mathcal{P} of subsets of a space X a k -network for X if whenever $C \subset U$, with C compact and U open in X , there exist finitely many elements of \mathcal{P} whose union covers C and lies in U . This is a slight modification of what E. Michael [2] called a *pseudobase*. We may define the \aleph_0 -spaces of Michael as regular spaces with a countable k -network.

If X is a space with topology \mathcal{F} we shall denote by $k(X)$ the k -space obtained by retopologizing X so that a set is closed if its intersection with every \mathcal{F} -compact set is \mathcal{F} -closed.

If $\{z_1, z_2, \dots\}$ is a sequence of points which converges to a point z , then we call the set $Z = \{z, z_1, z_2, \dots\}$ a *convergent sequence* and denote by Z_n the convergent sequence $\{z, z_n, z_{n+1}, \dots\}$.

A collection \mathcal{P} of subsets of a space X is a *convergent sequence-network* or, more conveniently, a *cs-network* for X if whenever $Z \subset U$, with Z a convergent sequence and U open in X , then $Z_n \subset P \subset U$ for some n and some $P \in \mathcal{P}$. We call a collection \mathcal{P} of subsets of X a *network* for X if whenever $x \in U$ with U open in X , then $x \in P \subset U$ for some $P \in \mathcal{P}$.

The notion of cs -network was introduced in [1] where the following theorem was proved.

THEOREM 1. *For a topological space X the following are equivalent:*

- (1) X is an \aleph_0 -space.
- (2) X is a regular space with a countable cs -network.

We shall call a regular space with a σ -locally finite cs -network a cs - σ -space. It is clear from Theorem 1 that every \aleph_0 -space is a cs -