

## BOUNDS USING THE INDEX OF NAGAMI

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**ABSTRACT.** We consider the cardinal invariant *index of Nagami*,  $Nag(X)$ , which measures how the topological space  $X$  is determined by its compact subsets via upper semi-continuous compact valued maps defined on arbitrary topological spaces, to establish relationships between cardinal functions of  $X$  and  $C_p(X)$ , where  $C_p(X)$  is the space of continuous functions with the pointwise convergence topology. Applications to Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -spaces are given.

**1. Introduction.** Let  $X$  be a topological space and  $C_p(X)$  the space of continuous functions with the pointwise convergence topology; a natural question that arises is how the topological properties of both spaces are related. A way to “measure” topological properties is using cardinal inequalities in which cardinal functions are involved. A large list of well-known results about these questions can be found, see for example [1, 9].

The aim of this paper is to give new topological cardinal inequalities for a topological space. For that we use the index of Nagami,  $Nag(X)$  which measures how the topological space  $X$  is determined by its compact subsets via upper semi-continuous compact valued maps defined on arbitrary topological spaces.

In Section 3 we use the index of Nagami to establish a bound of the network weight of a topological space using continuous bijections. These results will be used in Section 4 to establish inequalities between the cardinal functions of a topological space  $X$  and the space of all real valued continuous functions on  $X$  in the topology of pointwise convergence,  $C_p(X)$ . Among other results, we prove that for a subspace  $H \subset C_p(X)$ ,  $nw(H) \leq \max\{Nag(X), d(H)\}$ . Monolithic properties are also studied. Finally, the last section is dedicated to the hereditarily Lindelöf number and the spread. Applications to the class of Lindelöf

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$\Sigma$ -spaces are given. The class of Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -spaces was introduced by Nagami [15], see also [13]. A topological space  $X$  is said to be a Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space if it is the image of some subset of  $\mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$  under an upper semicontinuous compact-valued map. The class of Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -spaces is the minimal class which contains all second countable spaces and all compact spaces and is closed with respect to finite products, closed subspaces and continuous images.

**2. Terminology and definitions.** We denote by  $X, Y, Z$  topological spaces. All our topological spaces are assumed to be Tychonoff. Our basic references are [1, 7, 9, 11]. A *cardinal number*  $m$  is the set of all ordinals which precede it. In particular,  $m$  is a set of cardinality  $m$ . Thus,  $\alpha < m$  and  $\alpha \in m$  are the same. The following set-theoretic notation is adopted:  $m, n$  and  $t$  are infinite cardinal numbers.  $\omega$  is the smallest infinite cardinality. The cardinal number assigned to the set of all real numbers is denoted by  $c$ . A *cardinal function*  $\phi$  is a function from the class of all topological spaces (or some precisely defined subclass) into the class of all infinite cardinalities such that  $\phi(X) = \phi(Y)$  whenever  $X$  and  $Y$  are homeomorphic. The requirement that cardinal functions take on only infinite cardinal numbers as values simplifies statements of theorems and places the emphasis on infinite cardinal arithmetic. We use well-known cardinal functions. The *weight* of  $X$ ,  $w(X)$ , is the minimal cardinality of a base for the topology of  $X$ . A *network* in a space  $X$  is a family  $\mathcal{F}$  of subsets of  $X$  such that for any point  $x \in X$  and any open neighborhood  $U$  of  $x$  there is  $F \in \mathcal{F}$  such that  $x \in F \subset U$ . The *network weight* of  $X$ ,  $nw(X)$ , is the minimal cardinality of a network in  $X$ . The *Lindelöf degree* of  $X$ , denoted by  $\ell(X)$ , is defined as the smallest infinite cardinality  $m$  such that every open cover of  $X$  has a subcollection of cardinality  $\leq m$  which covers  $X$ . The *hereditarily Lindelöf degree* of  $X$ ,  $hl(X)$  is defined by  $\sup\{\ell(Y) : Y \subseteq X\}$ . It is obvious that  $\ell(X) \leq hl(X)$ . The *density* of  $X$ ,  $d(X)$ , is the minimal cardinality of an everywhere dense set in  $X$ . The *hereditarily density* of  $X$ ,  $hd(X)$ , is  $\sup\{d(Y) : Y \subseteq X\}$ .

The notion of the usco map has been studied in [4, 6] among others. The definition is the following.

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be topological spaces. A multivalued map  $\phi : X \rightarrow 2^Y$  is said to be:

(i) *upper semicontinuous at*  $x_0 \in X$  if  $\phi(x_0)$  is not empty and for each open set  $V$  in  $Y$  with  $\phi(x_0) \subset V$  there exists an open neighborhood  $U$  of  $x_0$  in  $X$  such that  $\phi(U) \subset V$ .

(ii) *upper semicontinuous* if it is upper semicontinuous at each point  $x \in X$ .

(iii) *usco* if  $\phi$  is upper semicontinuous and the set  $\phi(x)$  is compact for each  $x \in X$ .

A usco map can be characterized in terms of nets, see [12, 14]. The following implication will be used throughout this paper.

**Proposition 2.2.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be topological spaces and  $\phi : X \rightarrow 2^Y$  a usco map. If  $(x_j)_{j \in J} \subset X$  is a net which converges to  $x \in X$  and  $(y_j)_{j \in J} \subset Y$  is a net such that  $y_j \in \phi(x_j)$  for every  $j \in J$ , then  $(y_j)_{j \in J}$  has a cluster point  $y$  which belongs to  $\phi(x)$ .*

The notion of the *Nagami index* of a topological space can be found in [3].

**Definition 2.3.** Let  $X$  be a topological space. The *index of Nagami* of  $X$ ,  $Nag(X)$  is the smallest infinite cardinality  $m$  such that there exist a topological space  $Y$ , with  $w(Y) \leq m$  and a usco map  $\phi : Y \rightarrow 2^X$  such that  $X = \bigcup \{\phi(y) : y \in Y\}$ .

When  $X$  is a Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space then  $Nag(X)$  is countable.

**3. Continuous bijections.** The following proposition will allow us to prove the main theorem of this section.

**Proposition 3.1.** *Let  $X$ ,  $Y$  and  $Z$  be topological spaces, and let  $\phi : X \rightarrow 2^Y$  be a usco map such that  $Y = \bigcup_{x \in X} \phi(x)$  and  $f : Y \rightarrow Z$  a continuous bijection. Then  $Y$  is the image under a continuous map of a closed subspace of the space  $X \times Z$ . In particular,*

$$nw(Y) \leq \max\{w(X), w(Z)\}.$$

*Proof.* We define  $T := \{(x, y) : y \in \phi(x)\} \subset X \times Y$ . Then  $T$  is closed in  $X \times Y$  in the product topology, see [10, Proposition 2.22]. Now, we consider the subspace  $T$  of  $X \times Y$  with the inherited topology and the map  $\Phi : T \rightarrow X \times Z$  defined by  $\Phi(x, y) := (x, f(y))$  for every  $(x, y) \in T$ . We will prove that  $\Phi(T)$  is closed in  $X \times Z$  and that  $\Phi : T \rightarrow \Phi(T)$  is a continuous closed bijection. To prove that  $\Phi(T)$  is closed in  $X \times Z$  we consider a net  $(x_j, z_j)_{j \in J} \subset \Phi(T)$  convergent to  $(x, z)$  in  $X \times Z$ . Since  $f$  is a one-to-one map, there exist unique  $y, y_j$  such that  $f(y) = z$  and  $f(y_j) = z_j$  for every  $j \in J$ . Now  $(x_j, y_j)_{j \in J} \subset T$ ; thus,  $y_j \in \phi(x_j)$  for every  $j \in J$ . Since  $(x_j)_{j \in J}$  is a convergent net to  $x$  in  $X$  we have, again for  $\phi$  being a usco, that  $(y_j)_{j \in J}$  has a cluster point  $y^* \in \phi(x)$ . We also have that  $f$  is continuous; hence,  $f(y^*)$  is a cluster point of  $(f(y_j))_{j \in J}$ . But  $(z_j)_{j \in J} = (f(y_j))_{j \in J}$  is convergent to  $z$ ; hence,  $z = f(y^*)$ . But  $y^* = y$  because  $f$  is one-to-one, and  $(x, z) = \Phi(x, y)$  where  $(x, y) \in T$ ; and we have proved that  $\Phi(T)$  is closed in  $X \times Z$ . The same proof allows us to affirm that  $\Phi$  is a closed map. To see that  $\Phi$  is continuous we consider a convergent net  $(x_j, y_j)_{j \in J}$  to  $(x, y)$  in  $T$  and we will prove that  $(\Phi(x_j, y_j))_{j \in J}$  converges. The net  $(\Phi(x_j, y_j))_{j \in J}$  is equal to  $(x_j, f(y_j))_{j \in J}$  and now it is obvious that it converges to  $(x, f(y))$ . Finally, the proof that  $\Phi$  is one-to-one is trivial. Thus,  $\Phi(T)$  is homeomorphic to  $T$ , and since  $\Phi(T)$  is a subspace of  $X \times Z$ , then  $w(\Phi(T)) \leq \max\{w(X), w(Z)\}$ , [7, Proposition 2.3.13, page 81]; and hence  $w(T) \leq \max\{w(X), w(Z)\}$ . On the other hand,  $Y$  is the continuous image of  $T$  by the projection  $\pi : T \rightarrow Y$ , where  $\pi(x, y) = y$  for every  $(x, y) \in T$ . Now, we have that  $nw(Y) \leq w(T)$  because if  $\mathcal{O} = \{O_i : i \in I\}$  is a base for the topology of  $T$ , then the family  $\mathcal{N} = \{f(O_i) : i \in I\}$  is a network for  $Y$ . Finally, we obtain  $nw(Y) \leq \max\{w(X), w(Z)\}$  and the proof is over.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be topological spaces and  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  a continuous bijection. Then*

$$(3.1) \quad nw(X) \leq \max\{Nag(X), w(Y)\}.$$

*Proof.* Given  $X$ , there exist a topological space  $Z$  with  $w(Z) = Nag(X)$  and a usco map  $\phi : Z \rightarrow 2^X$  such that  $X = \bigcup_{z \in Z} \phi(z)$ . Now we use Proposition 3.1 to conclude that  $nw(X) \leq \max\{Nag(X), w(Y)\}$ .

$\square$

We cannot remove  $Nag(X)$  from inequality (3.1). The space  $(\tilde{\mathbf{R}}, \tau_d)$ , of all real numbers with the discrete topology gives us an example. The identity map from this space onto  $\mathbf{R}$  with the usual topology is a continuous bijection,  $w(\mathbf{R}) = \omega$  and  $nw(\tilde{\mathbf{R}}) = \mathfrak{c}$ ; thus,  $nw(\tilde{\mathbf{R}}) > w(\mathbf{R})$ .

Equation (3.1) holds for every topological space  $Y$  which is an image of  $X$  under a continuous bijection. Now, it makes sense to have the following definition, see [1, page 5].

**Definition 3.3.** Let  $X$  be a topological space; we call  $iw(X)$  the smallest cardinal  $m$  for which there exist a topological space  $Y$  with  $w(Y) \leq m$  and a continuous bijection  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ .

Theorem 3.2 can be reformulated in these terms as:

**Theorem 3.4.** *Let  $X$  be a topological space. Then*

$$nw(X) \leq \max\{Nag(X), iw(X)\}.$$

**4. Network weight and density.** In this section we establish bounds of the network weight of a subspace.

**Theorem 4.1.** *Let  $X$  be a topological space,  $G \subset X$  a subspace of  $X$  and  $H \subset C(X)$  a subspace of  $C_p(X)$ . Then:*

- (i)  $nw(\overline{H}^{\tau_p}) \leq \max\{Nag(X), |H|\}$ .
- (ii)  $nw(H) \leq \max\{Nag(X), d(H)\}$ .
- (iii)  $nw(G) \leq \max\{Nag(C_p(X)), d(G)\}$ .

*Proof.* (i) We consider a subspace  $H \subset C_p(X)$ . Let  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^H$  be the map defined by  $f(x) = (h(x))_{h \in H}$  for every  $x \in X$ . We define  $T := \{(h(x))_{h \in H} \in \mathbf{R}^H : x \in X\}$ . Let  $\tau$  be the product topology on  $\mathbf{R}^H$ . Now  $w(\mathbf{R}^H, \tau) \leq |H|$  and hence  $w(T, \tau) \leq |H|$ . Let  $\tilde{\tau}$  be the quotient topology in  $T$  defined as the largest topology such that  $f : X \rightarrow T$  is continuous. Also, this topology  $\tilde{\tau}$  is the topology on  $T$  such that for all functions  $g \in \mathbf{R}^T$ ,  $g \circ f \in C(X)$  [11, Theorem 9, page

95]. Now we have

$$X \xrightarrow{\tilde{f}} (T, \tilde{\tau}),$$

where  $\tilde{f}$  is a continuous map onto, being  $\tilde{f}(x) := f(x)$  for every  $x \in X$ . By Theorem 3.2 we have that  $nw(T, \tilde{\tau}) \leq \max\{Nag(T, \tilde{\tau}), w(T, \tau)\}$ . The index of Nagami does not increase by continuous image, because the composition of a usco and a continuous map onto is again usco, see [3, 6]; thus,  $Nag(T, \tilde{\tau}) \leq Nag(X)$ , and

$$nw(T, \tilde{\tau}) \leq \max\{Nag(X), |H|\}.$$

In fact, as  $nw(C_p(T, \tilde{\tau})) = nw(T, \tilde{\tau})$ , see [1, Theorem I.1.3, page 26], we have the inequality  $nw(C_p(T, \tilde{\tau})) \leq \max\{Nag(X), |H|\}$ . The space  $C_p(T, \tilde{\tau})$  is homeomorphic to the subspace  $F = \{g \circ \tilde{f} : g \in C_p(T, \tilde{\tau})\}$  of  $C_p(X)$ . We show that  $F$  is closed in  $C_p(X)$ . To this end, let  $s \in \overline{F}^{\tau_p}$  be a map in  $C_p(X)$ . Then there is a net  $(s_i)_{i \in I}$  in  $F$  such that  $(s_i) \xrightarrow{\tau_p} s$ . For each  $i \in I$ , choose  $g_i \in C(T, \tilde{\tau})$  such that  $s_i = g_i \circ \tilde{f}$ . Note that, for each  $t \in T$ , all  $s_i$ 's are constant on  $\tilde{f}^{-1}(t)$ . Since  $s_i \xrightarrow{\tau_p} s$ , we conclude that  $s$  is constant on  $\tilde{f}^{-1}(t)$  as well. Thus, we can define a map  $g : (T, \tilde{\tau}) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  such that for each  $t \in T$ ,  $g(t) = s(x)$  for any  $x \in \tilde{f}^{-1}(t)$ . This implies that  $s = g \circ \tilde{f}$ , and the continuity of  $g$  follows from the fact of  $s \in C(X)$  and the choice of  $\tilde{\tau}$ . Therefore,  $s \in F$ , which verifies that  $F$  is closed in  $C_p(X)$ . Fix  $h \in H$ . Then  $h = \pi_h \circ i \circ \tilde{f}$ , where  $\pi_h : \mathbf{R}^H \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  is the projection in the  $h$ -coordinate and  $i : (T, \tilde{\tau}) \rightarrow (T, \tau)$  is the identity map. The map  $\pi_h \circ i : (T, \tilde{\tau}) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , again because of  $h \in C(X)$  and the choice of  $\tilde{\tau}$  verifies that  $\pi_h \circ i \in C_p(T, \tilde{\tau})$ . Thus,  $h \in F$ . It follows that  $\overline{H}^{\tau_p} \subset \overline{F}^{\tau_p} = F$  and  $nw(\overline{H}^{\tau_p}) \leq nw(F) = nw(T, \tilde{\tau}) \leq \max\{Nag(X), |H|\}$ , and the proof is finished.

(ii) follows immediately from (i). Let  $H' \subset H$  be a set with the minimal cardinality such that  $H \subseteq \overline{H'}^{\tau_p}$ ; then using (i) we have

$$nw(H) = nw(\overline{H'}^{\tau_p}) \leq \max\{Nag(X), |H'|\} \leq \max\{Nag(X), d(H)\}.$$

(iii) Using (ii) we have that for every  $H \subset C_p(C_p(X))$  we obtain the following inequality

$$nw(H) \leq \max\{Nag(C_p(X)), d(H)\}.$$

To finish the proof, it is enough to observe that the network weight is a hereditarily invariant cardinal function and  $X \subset C_p(C_p(X))$  is a subspace. The inclusion is given by  $i : X \rightarrow C_p(C_p(X))$ , where  $i(x) : C_p(X) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  is defined as  $i(x)(h) = h(x)$  for every  $h \in C_p(X)$ .  $\square$

The following definition can be found in [1, page 83].

**Definition 4.2.** A topological space  $X$  is called *m-monolithic* if  $nw(\overline{A}) \leq m$  for every  $A \subset X$  such that  $|A| \leq m$ . A space  $X$  is called *strongly m-monolithic* if for every  $Y \subset X$  with  $|Y| \leq m$ , the weight of the space  $\overline{Y}$  does not exceed  $m$ .

We obtain the following result, which was proved in [3] using properties of the index of Nagami.

**Corollary 4.3.** *Let  $X$  be a topological space and  $H \subset C(X)$   $\tau_p$ -compact. Then  $H$  is strongly Nag( $X$ )-monolithic.*

*Proof.* We consider  $H' \subset H$  with  $|H'| \leq \text{Nag}(X)$ . Then, after Theorem 4.1 (i) and since, for compact space, the network weight and the weight coincides [7, Theorem 3.1.19, page 127],  $w(\overline{H'}) = nw(\overline{H'}) \leq \max\{\text{Nag}(X), |H'|\} = \text{Nag}(X)$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 4.4.** *Let  $X$  be a topological space and  $H \subset X$  compact. Then  $H$  is strongly Nag( $C_p(X)$ )-monolithic.*

*Proof.* We consider  $H' \subset H$  with  $|H'| \leq \text{Nag}(C_p(X))$ . Then, by Theorem 4.1 (iii),

$$w(\overline{H'}) = nw(\overline{H'}) \leq \max\{\text{Nag}(C_p(X), |H'|\} = \text{Nag}(C_p(X)). \quad \square$$

The following corollaries can be found in [1, Theorem II.6.9].

**Corollary 4.5.** *Let  $X$  be a Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space and  $H \subset C_p(X)$ . Then*

$$nw(H) = d(H).$$

*In particular, if  $H$  is  $\tau_p$ -compact subspace then  $H$  is metrizable, see [5].*

*Proof.* By Theorem 4.1 (ii) we have that  $nw(H) \leq d(H)$ . Another inequality is always true, see [8, page 14]. For  $H$  a compact space  $w(H) = nw(H)$ ; hence,  $w(H) = nw(H) = d(H) = \omega$  and the proof is over.  $\square$

**Corollary 4.6.** *Let  $X$  be a topological space such that  $C_p(X)$  is a Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space. Then for every subspace  $H$  of  $X$  we have that  $nw(H) = d(H)$ .*

**5. Hereditarily Lindelöf number and spread.** The *spread* of  $X$ ,  $s(X)$ , is the smallest infinite cardinal  $m$  such that the cardinality of every discrete subspace of  $X$  does not exceed  $m$ .

The following result is due to Šapirovskiĭ [16].

**Proposition 5.1.** *Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open cover of a topological space  $X$ , and let  $s(X) \leq m$ . Then there exist a subset  $A$  of  $X$  with  $|A| \leq m$  and a subfamily  $\mathcal{V}$  of  $\mathcal{U}$  with  $|\mathcal{V}| \leq m$  such that  $X = \overline{A} \cup (\cup \mathcal{V})$ .*

**Theorem 5.2.** *Let  $X$  be a topological space. Then:*

- (i)  $hl(X) \leq \max\{Nag(C_p(X)), s(X)\}$ .
- (ii)  $hl(C_p(X)) \leq \max\{Nag(X), s(C_p(X))\}$ .

*Proof.* (i) Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be any family of open subsets of  $X$ . It is enough to show that there is a subfamily  $\mathcal{W}^*$  with  $|\mathcal{W}^*| \leq \max\{Nag(X), s(X)\}$ , such that  $\cup \mathcal{U} = \cup \mathcal{W}^*$ . By Proposition 5.1, we can find a subset  $A$  of  $X$  with  $|A| \leq s(X)$  and a subfamily  $\mathcal{V}$  of  $\mathcal{U}$  with  $|\mathcal{V}| \leq s(X)$  such that  $\cup \mathcal{U} = \overline{A} \cup (\cup \mathcal{V})$ . Theorem 4.1 (iii) implies that  $nw(\overline{A}) \leq \max\{Nag(C_p(X)), |A|\}$ . Hence, since  $\ell(\overline{A}) \leq nw(\overline{A})$ , [7, Theorem 3.8.12, page 193], we have that there exists a subfamily  $\mathcal{W}$  such that

$$|\mathcal{W}| \leq \max\{Nag(C_p(X)), s(X)\}$$

and  $\overline{A} \subseteq \cup \mathcal{W}$ . Finally  $\cup \mathcal{U} = (\cup \mathcal{W}) \cup (\cup \mathcal{V})$ . The family  $\mathcal{W}^* := \mathcal{V} \cup \mathcal{W}$  has cardinality  $|\mathcal{W}^*| \leq \max\{Nag(X), s(X)\}$  and the proof is over.

(ii) The proof mimics the steps used in (i), now using Theorem 4.1 (iii).  $\square$



The following theorem follows using that  $hd(X^2) \leq hl(C_p(X))$ , see [1, Corollary II.5.27, page 73] and Theorem 5.2 (ii).

**Theorem 5.3.** *Let  $X$  be a topological space. Then*

$$hd(X^2) \leq \max\{Nag(X), s(C_p(X))\}.$$

The following corollary can be found in [2].

**Corollary 5.4.** *If  $X$  is a Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space and the spread of  $C_p(X)$  is countable, then  $C_p(X)$  is hereditarily Lindelöf, and  $X \times X$  is hereditarily separable.*

*Proof.* After Theorem 5.2 (ii) we have that  $hl(C_p(X)) \leq s(C_p(X))$ , and by Theorem 5.3, a Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space  $X$  verifies that  $hd(X^2) \leq s(C_p(X))$ .  $\square$

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