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**DISCONNECTEDNESSES COGENERATED BY HAUSDORFF SPACES**  
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**RÉSUMÉ.** Nous prouvons que, si  $\mathcal{P}$  est une sous-catégorie non triviale disconnexe de  $\mathbf{Top}$  telle que  $\mathcal{P} = U(\mathcal{P}')$  où les espaces de  $\mathcal{P}'$  sont Hausdorff, alors  $\mathcal{P}$  n'est pas l'enveloppe réflexive avec quotient d'un seul espace.

**0. INTRODUCTION.**

The non-simplicity of some subcategories of the category  $\mathbf{Top}$  of topological spaces has already been studied in [8], [9] and [10]. In this paper we prove that  $U(\mathcal{P})$  cannot be the quotient reflective hull of a single space, when  $\mathcal{P}$  is contained in the class of Hausdorff spaces. This last condition cannot be removed, since we find a class  $\mathcal{P}$  (not contained in Hausdorff spaces) such that  $U(\mathcal{P})$  is the quotient reflective hull of  $\mathcal{P}$ .

**1. PRELIMINARIES.**

In this paper we denote by  $\mathbf{Top}$  the category of topological spaces and maps, by  $\mathbf{Haus}$  the category of topological Hausdorff spaces and maps, and by  $\mathcal{P}$  a full and replete subcategory of  $\mathbf{Top}$ .

We recall the definitions of  $\mathcal{P}$ -component and of  $\mathcal{P}$ -quasicomponent studied by Preuss in [13] as well as the definitions of  $\mathcal{P}$ -epiclosed subspace and of  $K^{\mathcal{P}}$ -closed subspace studied in [2] and in [3].

Let  $X$  be a space,  $x \in X$  and  $Y$  a subspace of  $X$ .

**1.1. DEFINITION.** We call  $\mathcal{P}$ -component of  $x$  in  $X$  the largest subspace  $Z$  of  $X$  containing  $x$  such that for each  $P \in \mathcal{P}$  and for each  $f: Z \rightarrow P$ ,  $f$  is constant.

1.2. **DEFINITION.** We call  $\mathcal{F}$ -quasicomponent of  $x$  in  $X$  the largest subspace  $Z$  of  $X$  containing  $x$  such that for each  $P \in \mathcal{F}$  and for each  $f: X \rightarrow P$ , the restriction  $f|_Z$  of  $f$  to  $Z$  is constant.

1.3. **DEFINITION.** We call  $\mathcal{F}$ -epiclosure of  $Y$  in  $X$  (and we indicate it by  $E_{\mathcal{F}}(Y)$ ) the largest subspace  $Z$  of  $X$  containing  $Y$  such that for each  $P \in \mathcal{F}$  and for each pair  $f, g: Z \rightarrow P$  with  $f|_Y = g|_Y$ ,  $f = g$ .

1.4. **DEFINITION.** We call  $K^{\mathcal{F}}$ -closure of  $Y$  in  $X$  (and we indicate with  $K_{\mathcal{F}}(Y)$ ) the largest subspace  $Z$  of  $X$  containing  $Y$  such that for each  $P \in \mathcal{F}$  and for each pair  $f, g: X \rightarrow P$  with  $f|_Y = g|_Y$ ,  $f|_Z = g|_Z$ .

The following properties hold (cf. [3]):

1.5.  $E_{\mathcal{F}}(x)$  is the  $\mathcal{F}$ -component of  $x$  in  $X$ .

1.6.  $K_{\mathcal{F}}(x)$  is the  $\mathcal{F}$ -quasicomponent of  $x$  in  $X$ .

1.7.  $K_{\mathcal{F}}(x) = E_{\mathcal{F}}(x)$  iff  $K_{K_{\mathcal{F}}(x)}(x) = K_{\mathcal{F}}(x)$ .

1.8. **DEFINITION.** A space  $X$  is called *totally  $\mathcal{F}$ -disconnected* if its  $\mathcal{F}$ -components are singletons and *totally  $\mathcal{F}$ -separated* if its  $\mathcal{F}$ -quasicomponents are singletons.

We denote by  $UE$  the class of all totally  $\mathcal{F}$ -disconnected spaces and by  $QE$  the class of all totally  $\mathcal{F}$ -separated spaces.

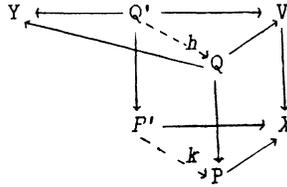
1.9. **DEFINITION** (cf. [5]). Let  $V, X, Y$  be topological spaces with  $V \subset X$  and  $s: V \rightarrow X$  be the inclusion map. The *partial product*  $P = P(X, V, Y)$  of  $X$  and  $Y$  over  $s$  is a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} Y & \xleftarrow{p_2} & Q & \xrightarrow{p_1} & V \\ & & s' \downarrow & & \downarrow s \\ & & P & \xrightarrow{p'_1} & X \end{array}$$

such that  $(Q, p_1, p_2)$  is the product of  $Y$  and  $V$ , the previous square is a pullback and, given a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} Y & \xleftarrow{q} & Q' & \xrightarrow{f} & V \\ & & s'' \downarrow & & \downarrow s \\ & & P' & \xrightarrow{f''} & X \end{array}$$

with the square a pullback, there is a unique pair  $(h, k)$  so that the following diagram commutes:



In this paper we consider only the partial products in which  $V$  is a singleton and, of course,  $s$  is a point embedding. If  $s(V) = x$ , we indicate  $P(X, V, Y)$  by  $P(X, x, Y)$  and  $p_1$  by  $p_x$ . It may be easily verified by routine diagram technics that:

**1.10. PROPOSITION.** (a)  $p_x$  is a topological quotient and each of its sections is an embedding.

(b) If  $Z$  is a subspace of  $X$ ,  $P(Z, x, Y)$  is embeddable in  $P(X, x, Y)$  in a natural way.

**1.11. PROPOSITION** (cf. [4]). Let  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{T}_1$  (the full subcategory of  $\mathcal{Top}$  of  $\mathcal{T}_1$ -spaces) be quotient reflective in  $\mathcal{Top}$ .  $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{UF}$  iff  $\mathcal{F}$  is closed under the formation of partial products over point embeddings.

We refer the reader to [6] for notations and definitions not explicitly given here.

## 2. DEGREE OF DISCONNECTION,

Having in mind 1.7 for each ordinal number  $\lambda$  we can define the  $(\lambda)$ - $\mathcal{F}$ -component of  $x$  in  $X$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} K^{\mathcal{F}_0}(x) &= K^{\mathcal{F}}(x), \\ K^{\mathcal{F}_{\lambda+1}}(x) &= K^{\mathcal{F}}(K^{\mathcal{F}_\lambda}(x)), \\ K^{\mathcal{F}_\lambda}(x) &= \cup \{K^{\mathcal{F}_\beta}(x) \mid \beta < \lambda\} \quad \text{if } \lambda \text{ is limit ordinal.} \end{aligned}$$

Denote by

$$\alpha_x = \min \{\lambda \mid K^{\mathcal{F}_{\lambda+1}}(x) = K^{\mathcal{F}_\lambda}(x)\}$$

and call  $\alpha_x$  the *degree of  $\mathcal{F}$ -disconnection of  $x$*  in  $X$ . The *degree of  $\mathcal{F}$ -disconnection of the space  $X$*  will be:

$$\alpha_X = \sup \{\alpha_x \mid x \in X\}.$$

**2.1. LEMMA.** If  $X = \prod \{X_i \mid i \in I\}$  is the topological product of the family  $\{X_i \mid i \in I\}$  and  $x = \langle x_i \rangle_{i \in I}$  is in  $X$ , then

$$K^P(x) = \prod \{K^{P_i}(x) \mid i \in I\}.$$

**PROOF.** If  $P$  is not contained in  $T_1$ ,  $K^P(x)$  may be either  $\{x\}$  or the indiscrete component of  $x$  (cf. [3]) and the lemma is trivially satisfied in this case. If  $P \subset T_1$ ,  $K^P(x)$  is closed (cf. [3]) and so

$$\prod \{K^{P_i}(x) \mid i \in I\} = \bigcap p_i^{-1}(K^{P_i}(x))$$

is closed too; moreover it is  $K^P$ -closed, by 2.8 of [3]. Consider now a map  $f: X \rightarrow P$  with  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ , we will prove that  $f$  is constant on  $\prod \{K^{P_i}(x) \mid i \in I\}$ . Consider the subspace  $Y$  of  $X$  where

$$Y = \{\langle y_i \rangle \mid y_i \in K^{P_i}(x) \text{ and } x_i = y_i \text{ for all } i \in I \text{ but a finite number}\}.$$

$Y$  is a dense subset of  $\prod \{K^{P_i}(x) \mid i \in I\}$ , and  $f$  must be constant on  $Y$ . Suppose  $f(Y) = \{p\}$ : since  $\{p\}$  is closed,  $f^{-1}(\{p\})$  is a closed subset of  $X$  containing  $Y$ ; that implies

$$\prod \{K^{P_i}(x) \mid i \in I\} \subset f^{-1}(\{p\})$$

and  $f$  must be constant on  $\prod \{K^{P_i}(x) \mid i \in I\}$ . •

**2.2. PROPOSITION.** (a) If  $X = \prod \{X_i \mid i \in I\}$  and  $x = \langle x_i \rangle_{i \in I}$ , then  $\alpha_x = \sup \{\alpha_{x_i} \mid i \in I\}$ .

(b) If  $j: Y \rightarrow X$  is a monomorphism, for every  $y$  in  $Y$ ,  $\alpha_y \leq \alpha_{j(y)}$ .

**PROOF.** (a) follows from Lemma 2.1.

(b) It follows from  $K^P(y) \subset j^{-1}(K^P(j(y)))$  (cf. [3]).

**2.3. COROLLARY.** If  $Y$  is the product of  $\alpha_x$  copies of  $X$ ,  $Y$  has a point  $x$  such that  $\alpha_x = \alpha_x = \alpha_y$ .

**2.4. PROPOSITION.** Let  $P \subset \text{Haus}$ ,  $X$  be a space and  $x$  be a non isolated point of  $X$ , such that  $\alpha_x = \alpha_x$ . If  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ , the partial product  $P(X, x, Y)$  has  $\alpha_x + 1$  as degree of disconnection.

**PROOF.**  $p_x: P(X, x, P) \setminus p_x^{-1}(x) \rightarrow P(X, x, P)$  is mono and so, for any point  $z$  of  $P(X, x, P) \setminus p_x^{-1}(x)$ ,  $\alpha_z$  does not exceed the degree of disconnection of  $P(X, x, P)$ , by (2.2) (b). Now let  $f: P(X, x, P) \rightarrow P$  be a map. We'll prove

that  $f|_{p_x^{-1}(x)}$  is constant. If  $z, z' \in p_x^{-1}(x)$ , then by Proposition 1.10,  $(\mathbb{P}(X, x, P) \setminus p_x^{-1}(x)) \cup \{z\}$  and  $(\mathbb{P}(X, x, P) \setminus p_x^{-1}(x)) \cup \{z'\}$  are homeomorphic to  $X$ .  $\mathbb{P}(X, x, P) \setminus p_x^{-1}(x)$  is dense in both, so  $f(z) = f(z')$  as  $P$  is Hausdorff. Therefore  $K^P(z) = K^P(z')$  and both contain  $p_x^{-1}(x)$ , as  $z, z'$  vary in  $p_x^{-1}(x)$ . By 1.10 (b), the  $\alpha_x$ -quasicomponent of  $z$  is  $p_x^{-1}(x)$ , which is homeomorphic to  $P$ . Consequently the  $\alpha_x+1$ -quasicomponent of any point of  $p_x^{-1}(x)$  is the point itself and this completes the proof. •

**2.5. COROLLARY.** *If  $P \subset \text{Haus}$  and  $UP \neq \text{Sing}$ ,  $UP$  is never the quotient reflective hull of a space.*

**PROOF.** Suppose  $UP = Q(\langle X \rangle)$ . If  $X$  is a discrete space with more than one point,  $Q(\langle X \rangle)$  is the class of totally separated spaces, while  $UP$  is the class of totally disconnected spaces, and these two classes are different. So when  $X$  is discrete,  $UP$  must be *Sing*. Therefore  $X$  may be supposed to have a non isolated point  $x$  and this point  $x$  is such that  $\alpha_x = \alpha_x$ , since  $Q(\langle X \rangle) = Q(\langle X^{**} \rangle)$ . Now by Proposition 2.2, for any space  $Y$  in  $Q(\langle X \rangle)$ ,  $\alpha_y \leq \alpha_x$  holds. But  $\mathbb{P}(X, x, Y)$  is in  $UP$  and its degree of disconnection is  $\alpha_x+1$  by Proposition 2.4, therefore  $UP \neq Q(\langle X \rangle)$ . •

**REMARK.** The condition that  $P \subset \text{Haus}$  cannot be avoided in fact when  $X$  is a countable space with the cofinite topology, and  $P = \{X\}$ , then  $Q(P) = U(P)$ .

In fact, we'll prove that for any space  $Y$ , and any  $y \in Y$ ,  $K^P(y) = E^P(y)$  and so  $Q(P) = U(P)$  by 3.4 of [31].

Suppose there is a map  $f: K^P(y) \rightarrow X$  which is not constant and consider the reflection  $r: Y \rightarrow rY$  of  $Y$  in  $Q(P)$ . From Proposition 3.2 of [31],  $K^P(y) = r^{-1}(r(y))$ . Now define  $g: Y \rightarrow X$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} g(a) &= r(a) \text{ if } a \text{ is not in } K^P(y), \\ g(a) &= f(a) \text{ if } a \text{ is in } K^P(y). \end{aligned}$$

Now if  $b \neq y$ , then  $g^{-1}(b) = f^{-1}(b) \cup r^{-1}(b)$ , while  $g^{-1}(y) = f^{-1}(y)$ ; in any case, the inverse image of a point is closed, therefore  $g$  is a continuous map in contrast with the definition of  $K^P$ -closure.

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