# Closure schemes on topological spaces

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We say that a topological space X is **•** *Fréchet–Urysohn* if  $\forall A \subseteq X$   $\forall x \in \overline{A} \quad \exists S \subseteq A$  a sequence:  $S \rightarrow x$ , **•** *radial* if  $\forall A \subseteq X$   $\forall x \in \overline{A} \quad \exists S \subseteq A$  a transfinite sequence:  $S \rightarrow x$ , **•** *discretely Whyburn* if  $\forall A \subseteq X$   $\forall x \in \overline{A} \quad \exists D \subseteq A$  discrete:  $\overline{D} \setminus A = \{x\}$ , **•** *Whyburn* if  $\forall A \subseteq X$  $\forall x \in \overline{A} \quad \exists B \subseteq A$ :  $\overline{B} \setminus A = \{x\}$ .

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We say that a topological space X is **•** sequential if  $\forall A \subseteq X$  non-closed  $\exists x \in \overline{A} \setminus A \quad \exists S \subseteq A$  a sequence:  $S \to x$ , **•** pseudoradial if  $\forall A \subseteq X$  non-closed  $\exists x \in \overline{A} \setminus A \quad \exists S \subseteq A$  a transfinite sequence:  $S \to x$ , **•** weakly discretely Whyburn if  $\forall A \subseteq X$  non-closed  $\exists x \in \overline{A} \setminus A \quad \exists D \subseteq A$  discrete:  $\overline{D} \setminus A = \{x\}$ , **•** weakly Whyburn if  $\forall A \subseteq X$  non-closed  $\exists x \in \overline{A} \setminus A \quad \exists B \subseteq A: \ \overline{B} \setminus A = \{x\}$ .

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We say that a mapping  $C : \mathcal{P}(X) \to \mathcal{P}(X)$  is a *closure operator* on a space X if the following holds:

$$\forall A, B \subseteq X \colon A \subseteq B \implies C(A) \subseteq C(B),$$

•  $\forall A \subseteq X : A \subseteq C(A).$ 

We also define additional properties of a closure operator C:

• 
$$\forall A \subseteq X : C(C(A)) \subseteq C(A)$$
 (transitivity),

• 
$$\forall A, B \subseteq X : C(A \cup B) = C(A) \cup C(B)$$
 (additivity),

•  $C(\emptyset) = \emptyset$  (groundedness).

#### Definition

Let C be a closure operator on X. A set  $A \subseteq X$  is C-closed if C(A) = A, and it is C-open if its complement is C-closed.

### Observation

- Intersection of any system of *C*-closed sets is a *C*-closed set. Hence, *C*-closed sets form a complete lattice. And dually for *C*-open sets.

• A set is C-closed if and only if it is  $\overline{C}$ -closed.

A collection  $C = \langle C_X : X \in \mathbf{Top} \rangle$  which assigns a closure operator  $C_X$  to each topological space X is called *closure scheme* if it holds that

- $\forall h: X \to Y$  homeo  $\forall A \subseteq X: h[C_X(A)] = C_Y(h[A]),$
- $\forall X \in \mathsf{Top} \quad \forall A \subseteq X \colon C_X(A) \subseteq \overline{A}^X.$

Sometimes we write C(A, X) instead of  $C_X(A)$ .

Let C be a closure scheme, X a topological space.

- We say that the space X is C-generated if  $\forall A \subseteq X : C_X(A) = \overline{A}^X$ , i.e.  $C_X = cl_X$ .
- We say that the space X is *weakly* C*-generated* if it is  $\overline{C}$ -generated, i.e.  $\forall A \subseteq X : \overline{C_X}(A) = \overline{A}^X$ .
- We say that X is C-generated at a point  $x \in X$  if  $\forall A \subseteq X : x \in \overline{A}^X \implies x \in C_X(A).$
- We say that X is weakly C-generated at a point  $x \in X$  if it is  $\overline{C}$ -generated at x, i.e.  $\forall A \subseteq X : x \in \overline{A}^X \implies x \in \overline{C_X}(A)$ .

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# Closure schemes – examples

### Examples

- The topological closure cl = (cl<sub>X</sub> : X ∈ Top) is a transitive additive closure scheme. Every topological space is cl-generated.
- The scheme C<sup>Id</sup> = (id<sub>P(X)</sub> : X ∈ Top) is a transitive additive closure scheme. A topological space is C<sup>Id</sup>-generated iff it is discrete, and it is C<sup>Id</sup>-generated at a point iff that point is isolated.

• We define closure schemes  $C^{Seq}$ ,  $C^{Rad}$ ,  $C^{D}$ ,  $C^{DWh}$ ,  $C^{Wh}$  as

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{C}^{\mathsf{Seq}}(A,X) &:= \{ x \in X \ : \ \exists S \subseteq A \text{ a sequence} : \ S \to x \}, \\ \mathcal{C}^{\mathsf{Rad}}(A,X) &:= \{ x \in X \ : \ \exists S \subseteq A \text{ a transfinite sequence} : \ S \to x \}, \\ \mathcal{C}^{\mathsf{D}}(A,X) &:= \bigcup \{ \overline{D} \ : \ D \subseteq A \text{ discrete} \}, \\ \mathcal{C}^{\mathsf{DWh}}(A,X) &:= A \cup \bigcup \{ \overline{D} \ : \ D \subseteq A \text{ discrete} , |\overline{D} \setminus A| = 1 \}, \\ \mathcal{C}^{\mathsf{Wh}}(A,X) &:= A \cup \bigcup \{ \overline{B} \ : \ B \subseteq A, |\overline{B} \setminus A| = 1 \}. \end{split}$$

Let  $\mathcal C$  be a closure scheme, X and Y topological spaces. We say that a mapping  $f \colon X \to Y$  is

- *C*-continuous if  $\forall A \subseteq X : f[C_X(A)] \subseteq C_Y(f[A]);$
- C-hereditary if it is injective and  $\forall A \subseteq X: f[C_X(A)] \supseteq C_Y(f[A]) \cap \operatorname{rng}(f);$
- C-continuous at a point  $x \in X$  if  $\forall A \subseteq X : x \in C_X(A) \implies f(x) \in C_Y(f[A]);$
- C-hereditary at a point  $x \in X$  if it is injective and  $\forall A \subseteq X : x \in C_X(A) \iff f(x) \in C_Y(f[A]);$

# $\mathcal{C}$ -hereditary and $\mathcal{C}$ -continuous mappings

### Proposition

- Continuity is the same thing as cl-continuity.
- If a mapping is C-continuous, then the preimage of any C-closed set is a C-closed set. Moreover, if the scheme C is transitive, then the other implication also holds.

### Proposition

Let C be a closure scheme, X, Y topological spaces,  $f: X \to Y$ .

- If f is C-continuous, then it is  $\overline{C}$ -continuous.
- If f is C-hereditary, then it is  $\overline{C}$ -hereditary if either
  - rng(f) is a C-closed subset of Y or
  - rng(f) is a C-open subset of Y and C is an additive scheme.

#### Theorem

Let C be a closure scheme,  $x \in X$ , a mapping  $f: X \to Y$ C-hereditary at x and continuous at x. If Y is C-generated at f(x), then X is C-generated at x.

#### Theorem

Let C be a closure scheme and a mapping  $f: X \to Y$  C-hereditary and continuous.

- If Y is C-generated, then X is also C-generated.
- If *Y* is weakly *C*-generated, then *X* is also weakly *C*-generated if either
  - rng(f) is a C-closed subset of Y or
  - rng(f) is a C-open subset of Y and C is an additive scheme.

### Corollary

Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a closure scheme.

- If all embeddings are *C*-hereditary, then *C*-generating is a hereditary property.
- If closed embeddings are C-hereditary, then weak C-generating is a closed hereditary property.
- If open embeddings are C-hereditary and the scheme C is additive, then weak C-generating is an open hereditary property.
- If all embeddings are both C-hereditary and C-continuous, then C-generating coincides with hereditary weak C-generating.

#### Recall

We define a closure scheme  $C^{Seq}$  as  $C^{Seq}(A, X) := \{x \in X : \exists S \subseteq X \text{ a sequence} : S \to x\}.$ 

### Observation

- A topological space is C<sup>Seq</sup>-generated iff it is Fréchet–Urysohn, and it is C<sup>Seq</sup>-generated iff it is sequential.
- $C^{Seq}$  is an additive closure scheme.
- All embeddings are both C<sup>Seq</sup>-hereditary and C<sup>Seq</sup>-continuous because convergence of sequences is absolute.
- A space is Fréchet–Urysohn iff it is hereditarily sequential.
- Fréchet-Urysohn spaces are closed under subspaces.
- Sequential spaces are closed under closed or open subspaces.

# Preservation under inductive constructions

### Definition

- A topology on X is *inductively generated by a family of mappings* {f<sub>i</sub>: X<sub>i</sub> → X}<sub>i∈I</sub> if it is the finest topology such that all mappings f<sub>i</sub> are continuous.
- A topology on X is hereditarily inductively generated by a family of mappings {f<sub>i</sub>: X<sub>i</sub> → X}<sub>i∈I</sub> if the subspace topology of every Y ⊆ X is inductively generated by the family {f<sub>i</sub>: f<sub>i</sub><sup>-1</sup>[Y] → Y}<sub>i∈I</sub>.

## Examples

- Inductive generating: quotients, colimits.
- Hereditary inductive generating: hereditary quotients (in particular closed or open quotients), colimits with open colimit maps (in particular sums).

#### Theorem

Let C be a closure scheme, X a space inductively generated by a family of C-continuous mappings  $\{f_i \colon X_i \to X\}_{i \in I}$  such that all spaces  $X_i$  are C-generated. Then the space X is C-generated if at least one of the following conditions holds.

- **1** The closure scheme C is transitive.
- 2 X is hereditarily inductively generated by the family  $\{f_i : i \in I\}$ .

### Corollary

Let C be a closure scheme, X a space inductively generated by a family of C-continuous mappings  $\{f_i \colon X_i \to X\}_{i \in I}$ . If all spaces  $X_i$  are weakly C-generated, then the space X is weakly C-generated.

# Preservation under inductive constructions

## Corollary

### Let $\mathcal{C}$ be a closure scheme.

- If embeddings of clopen subspaces are C-continuous, then (weak) C-generating is preserved under topological sums.
- If hereditarily (open, closed) quotient mappings are C-continuous, then (weak) C-generating is preserved under hereditary (open, closed) quotients.
- If quotient mappings are C-continuous, then weak
  C-generating is preserved under quotients.
- If continuous mappings are C-continuous, then weak
  C-generating is preserved under colimits.
- If open continuous mappings are C-continuous, then
  C-generating is preserved under colimits with open colimit maps.

### Observation

- A topological space is  $C^{Seq}$ -generated iff it is Fréchet–Urysohn, and it is  $\overline{C^{Seq}}$ -generated iff it is sequential.
- $C^{Seq}$  is an additive closure scheme.
- All embeddings are both C<sup>Seq</sup>-hereditary and C<sup>Seq</sup>-continuous because convergence of sequences is absolute.
- All continuous mappings are C<sup>Seq</sup>-continuous because continuous mappings preserves convergence.
- A space is Fréchet–Urysohn iff it is hereditarily sequential.
- The class of Fréchet–Urysohn spaces is closed under subspaces, sums, and hereditary quotients.
- The class of sequential spaces is closed under closed or open subspaces, sums, quotients, and colimits.

Let  $C^1$ ,  $C^2$  be closure operators on a set X. We define  $C^1 \leq C^2 \iff \forall A \subseteq X \colon C^1(A) \subseteq C^2(A)$ . Let  $C^1$ ,  $C^2$  be closure schemes. We define  $C^1 \leq C^2 \iff \forall X \in \mathbf{Top} \colon C^1_X \leq C^2_X$ .

### Observations

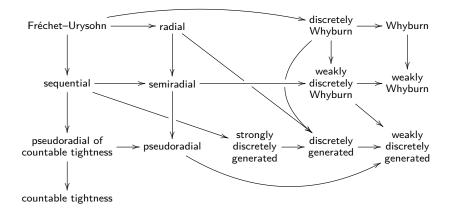
- "Closure schemes form a complete lattice." (But it is not even a proper class.)
- $C^{\mathsf{Id}} \leq C \leq \mathsf{cl}$  for any closure scheme C.
- $C \leq \overline{C}$  for any closure scheme C.
- $\mathcal{C}^1 \leq \mathcal{C}^2 \implies \overline{\mathcal{C}^1} \leq \overline{\mathcal{C}^2}$  for any closure schemes  $\mathcal{C}^1$ ,  $\mathcal{C}^2$ .

### Observation

Let  $C^1$ ,  $C^2$  be closure schemes. Let us consider the following properties. It holds that  $1 \implies 2 \implies 3$ . 1  $C^1 \le C^2$ , 2  $C^1$ -generating at a point  $\implies C^2$ -generating at a point, 3  $C^1$ -generating  $\implies C^2$ -generating.

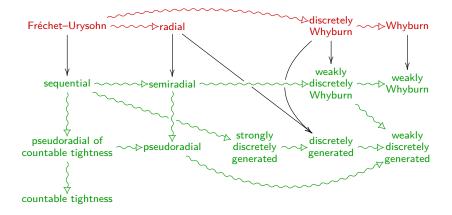
### Proposition

Let C be a closure scheme, X a topological space,  $x \in X$ . If X is weakly C-generated (at x) and Whyburn (at x), then it is C-generated (at x).

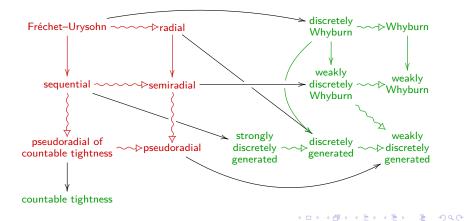


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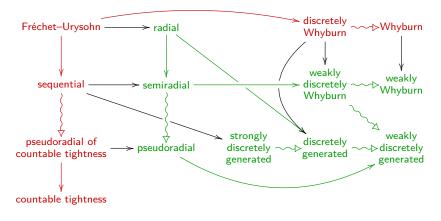
### Arens' space is sequential but not Fréchet-Urysohn.



Reduced Arens' space is strongly discretely generated and discretely Whyburn because it contains only one non-isolated point. It has also countable tightness but it is not pseudoradial.

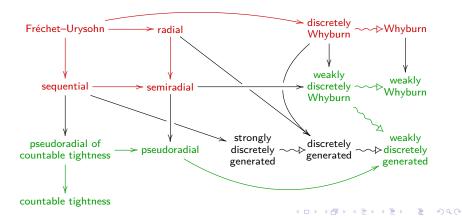


 $(\omega_1 + 1)$  is radial and strongly discretely generated, but it is not Whyburn and it does not have countable tightness.



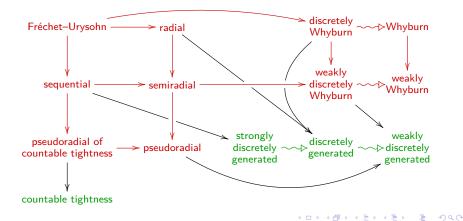
#### Example

There exists a first countable, locally countable, uncountable  $T_3$  space such that every uncountable subset contains a countable subset with uncountable closure (Simon, Tironi). After adjoining a point whose neighborhoods are complements of countable closed sets, we get a  $T_2$  pseudoradial space of countable tightness which is not sequential.



### Example

If we refine the topology of  $\beta\omega$  by  $\{\omega \cup \{p\} : p \in \beta\omega \setminus \omega\}$ , we obtain a strongly discretely generated space of countable tightness that is neither pseudoradial nor weakly Whyburn.

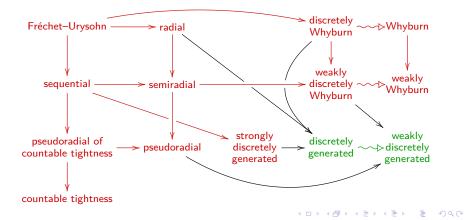


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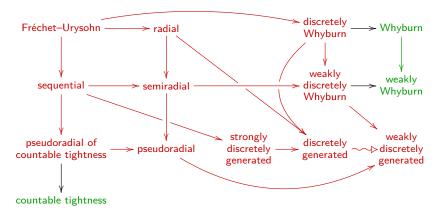
Let  $p_0 \in \beta \omega \setminus \omega$ . If we refine the topology of  $\beta \omega$  by

 $\{\omega \cup \{p\} : p \in \beta \omega \setminus (\omega \cup \{p_0\})\} \cup \{\beta \omega \setminus A : A \subseteq \beta \omega \setminus \omega \text{ countable}\},\$ 

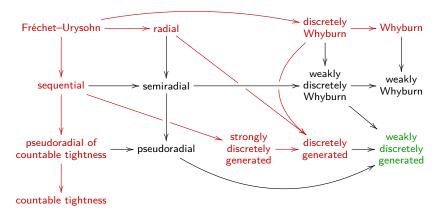
we obtain a discretely generated space that is not strongly discretely generated. It is also neither pseudoradial nor weakly Whyburn.



Van Douwen's maximal space is Whyburn but not weakly discretely generated.

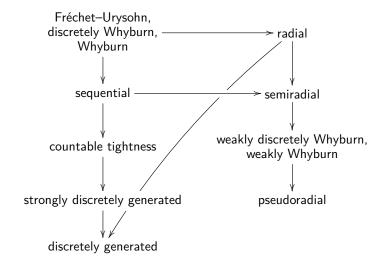


Van Douwen's maximal space can be embedded into 2<sup>c</sup>. Hence, 2<sup>c</sup> is weakly discretely generated but not discretely generated.



#### Theorems

- Hausdorff locally compact spaces are weakly discretely generated. (Dow, Tkachenko, Tkachuk, Wilson)
- Hausdorff locally compact spaces of countable tightness are strongly discretely generated. (Dow, Tkachenko, Tkachuk, Wilson)
- Preregular locally compact weakly Whyburn spaces are pseudoradial. (Bella, Dow)
- Preregular locally countably compact Whyburn spaces are Fréchet–Urysohn. (Tkachuk, Yashchenko)



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