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ABSTRACT

We present here a study about hypertransformation groups  $(T, 2^X)$ , induced by a topological transformation group  $(T, X)$ . In particular this note is concerned with recursive properties, following the article of S.C. KOO on this subject. However, we skip his requirement of all phase spaces being compact  $T_2$  and so we obtain generalization of his results.

KEYWORDS & PHRASES: *Hyperspace, recursivity, almost periodicity.*



## 0. INTRODUCTION

In [4] KOO studies recursive properties in hypertransformation groups, induced by topological transformation groups with compact  $T_2$  phase space. In doing so, he uses the uniform structure on  $2^X$ , induced by the uniformity on  $X$ . This paper is a collection of thoughts after [4], and the intention is two-fold. First, we shall give simpler proofs of some of his results, using as much as possible the less complicated Vietoris topology on  $2^X$ , instead of its uniformity. Second, we skip the requirement of all phase spaces being compact  $T_2$ .

The first section is a brief summary of useful aspects of hyper spaces. The second section is concerned with the orbit closure relation and the space of orbit closures as a subspace of  $2^X$ . In the third section we introduce hypertransformation groups and give a generalization of [4], Theorem 1.1, showing the elegance of the Vietoris topology on  $2^X$ . Sections 4 and 5 are concerned with recursiveness and in majority they provide generalizations and two-fold proofs.

For a more detailed study of hyperspaces we refer to [5]. The results of the Theorems 2.3, 2.5 and 4.4(b) seem to be essentially new.

CONVENTION: ALL TOPOLOGICAL SPACES UNDER CONSIDERATION ARE ASSUMED TO BE  $T_1$  (except for quotient spaces and the underlying topological spaces of the acting groups).

## 1. HYPERSPACES

For a topological space  $X$  define

$$C(X) = \{A \subseteq X \mid A \neq \emptyset \text{ and } A \text{ compact}\},$$

$$2^X = \{A \subseteq X \mid A \neq \emptyset \text{ and } A \text{ is closed}\}.$$

Observe that  $\{x\} \in C(X)$ , and  $\{x\} \in 2^X$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $C(X) \subseteq 2^X$  if  $X$  is Hausdorff. We may topologize  $C(X)$  and  $2^X$  by the Vietoris topology as follows. For  $A = C(X)$  or  $A = 2^X$  and open subsets  $U_1, \dots, U_n$  of  $X$ , set

$$\langle U_1, \dots, U_n \rangle = \{E \in A \mid E \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n U_i \text{ and } E \cap U_i \neq \emptyset \text{ for } i \in \{1, \dots, n\}\}.$$

Then the basis for the Vietoris topology on  $A$  is formed by the collection

$$\{\langle U_1, \dots, U_m \rangle \subseteq A \mid m \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } U_i \text{ open in } X \text{ for } i \in \{1, \dots, m\}\}.$$

Let  $(X, \mathcal{U})$  be a uniform space. Then  $\mathcal{U}$  induces a uniform structure  $\mathcal{U}^*$  on  $2^X$ . Define for all  $\alpha \in \mathcal{U}$  and  $E \in 2^X$

$$\alpha(E) = \mathcal{U}\{\alpha(x) \mid x \in E\} = \{y \in X \mid \exists x \in E \wedge (x, y) \in \alpha\}$$

and

$$\alpha^* = \{(A, B) \in 2^X \times 2^X \mid A \subseteq \alpha(B) \wedge B \subseteq \alpha(A)\}.$$

Then the collection  $\{\alpha^* \mid \alpha \in \mathcal{U}\}$  constitutes a basis for the uniform structure  $\mathcal{U}^*$  on  $2^X$ . We shall write  $2_u^X$  or  $2_f^X$  if we consider  $2^X$  with the uniform topology or the Vietoris topology, respectively. Since the topologies coincide on  $\mathcal{C}(X)$ , there is no need to distinguish between  $\mathcal{C}(X)_u$  and  $\mathcal{C}(X)_f$ . If  $X$  is compact Hausdorff, then  $2^X = \mathcal{C}(X)$  and  $2_u^X = 2_f^X$ . For proofs of the following facts we refer to [5].

THEOREM 1.1.

- a.  $2_f^X$  and  $2_u^X$  are  $T_1$ ;
- b.  $X$  is  $T_3$  iff  $2_f^X$  is  $T_2$ ;
- c.  $X$  is  $T_{3\frac{1}{2}}$  iff  $\mathcal{C}(X)$  is  $T_{3\frac{1}{2}}$ ;
- d.  $X$  is compact iff  $2_f^X$  is compact
- e.  $X$  is compact  $T_2$  iff  $2^X$  is compact  $T_2$ .

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be topological spaces and  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  a surjective map. If  $f$  is closed, define  $f^*: 2^X \rightarrow 2^Y$  by  $f^*(E) = f[E]$  for all  $E \in 2^X$ . If  $f$  is continuous, we may define  $f^{\leftarrow*}: Y \rightarrow 2^X$  by  $f^{\leftarrow*}(y) = f^{\leftarrow}(y)$  for all  $y \in Y$  and  $f^{\leftarrow**}: 2^Y \rightarrow 2^X$  by  $f^{\leftarrow**}(D) = f^{\leftarrow}[D]$  for all  $D \in 2^Y$ . Then:

THEOREM 1.2.

- a.  $f^*: 2_f^X \rightarrow 2_f^Y$  is continuous (topological) iff  $f$  is continuous (topological);
- b.  $f^*: 2_u^X \rightarrow 2_u^Y$  is uniform continuous (topological) iff  $f$  is uniform continuous (topological);
- c.  $f^{\leftarrow**}: 2_f^Y \rightarrow 2_f^X$  is continuous iff  $f^{\leftarrow*}: Y \rightarrow 2_f^X$  is continuous iff  $f$  is open and closed.

## 2. THE SPACE OF ORBIT CLOSURES AND $2_f^X$

A *topological transformation group* (ttg for short) is a triple  $(T, X, \pi)$ , with  $T$  a topological group,  $X$  a topological space and  $\pi: T \times X \rightarrow X$  a continuous map, such that

- a.  $\pi(e, x) = x$  for all  $x \in X$ , and
- b.  $\pi(s, \pi(t, x)) = \pi(st, x)$  for all  $s, t \in T, x \in X$ .

We shall write  $\pi^t(x) = \pi(t, x) = \pi_x(t)$ ; then  $\pi^t: X \rightarrow X$  is a homeomorphism for every  $t \in T$ . Denote the orbit  $\{\pi(t, x) \mid t \in T\}$  of  $x$  in  $X$  by  $\Gamma(x)$ , let  $C(x) = \overline{\Gamma(x)}$  be the orbit closure of  $x$  in  $X$  and define  $f: X \rightarrow 2_f^X$  by  $x \mapsto C(x)$ . Then, in general,  $f$  fails to be continuous. However,  $f$  is always lower semi-continuous (that is,  $\{x \in X \mid f(x) \cap U \neq \emptyset\}$  is open for every open  $U$  in  $2_f^X$ ). Remember that for a ttg  $(T, X, \pi)$  a subset  $A \subseteq X$  is called *minimal*, if  $A$  is nonempty, closed, invariant and  $A$  does not admit a proper subset with those properties.

**THEOREM 2.1.** *Let  $(T, X, \pi)$  be a ttg and let  $f: X \rightarrow 2_f^X$  be continuous. Then every orbit closure is minimal. (In particular:  $X$  is pointwise almost periodic, if  $X$  is compact and  $f$  is continuous.)*

**PROOF.** Let  $x \in X$  and suppose  $C(x)$  is not minimal. Then there is a  $y \in C(x)$  with  $C(y) \neq C(x)$ . Since  $2_f^X$  is  $T_1$  (Theorem 1.1(a)), there is a nbhd  $V$  of  $C(y)$  in  $2_f^X$ , such that  $C(x) \notin V$ . The continuity of  $f$  gives us a nbhd  $V_y$  of  $y$  in  $X$ , with  $f[V_y] \subseteq V$ . Now  $y \in C(x)$ , so  $V_y \cap \Gamma(x) \neq \emptyset$ , say  $\pi(s, x) \in V_y$ . Then  $C(x) = C(\pi(x, s)) = f(\pi(s, x)) \in f[V_y] \subseteq V$ , a contradiction.  $\square$

If every orbit closure in  $X$  is minimal, we may define an equivalence relation  $C$  on  $X$  by  $xCy \iff x \in C(y)$ . Denote the quotient space  $X/C$ , endowed with the quotient topology, by  $(X/C)_q$  and define  $(X/C)_f$  as the collection  $\{C(x) \mid x \in X\} \subseteq 2_f^X$  with the relative topology. Remark that if  $(X/C)_q$  exists, then it is (set-theoretic) isomorphic to  $(X/C)_f$ .

**LEMMA 2.2.** *The quotient topology on  $X/C$  is weaker than the Vietoris topology.*

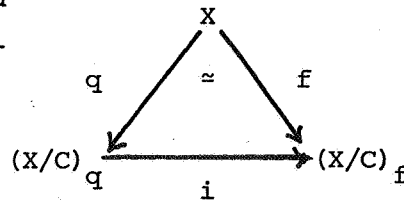
**PROOF.** Let  $q: X \rightarrow (X/C)_q$  be the quotient map, and let  $U \subseteq (X/C)_q$  be open. Then  $q^{-1}[U] = \{y \in X \mid C(y) \in U\}$  is open in  $X$ , so  $\langle q^{-1}[U] \rangle$  is open in  $2_f^X$ .

Moreover,  $U = \langle q^{\leftarrow}[U] \rangle \cap (X/C)$ ; for if  $q(y) = C(y) \in U$ , then  $C(y) \subseteq q^{\leftarrow}[U]$  and  $C(y) \in \langle q^{\leftarrow}[U] \rangle$ , so  $U \subseteq \langle q^{\leftarrow}[U] \rangle \cap X/C$ . Conversely, if  $q(z) = C(z) \in \langle q^{\leftarrow}[U] \rangle$ , then  $C(z) \in q^{\leftarrow}[U]$ , so  $z \in q^{\leftarrow}[U]$  and  $q(z) \in U$ . Hence  $\langle q^{\leftarrow}[U] \rangle \cap (X/C) \subseteq U$ .  $\square$

**THEOREM 2.3.** Let  $(T, X, \pi)$  be a ttg and let  $f: X \rightarrow 2^X$  be continuous ( $x \mapsto C(x)$ ). Then  $(X/C)_q \cong (X/C)_f$ .

**PROOF.** Observe that  $(X/C)_q$  exists (see Theorem 2.1). Let  $i: (X/C)_q \rightarrow (X/C)_f$  be the set-theoretic isomorphism and

let  $f': X \rightarrow (X/C)_f$  be the corestriction of  $f$  to  $(X/C)_f$ . Then  $f'$  is continuous and  $f' = i \circ q$ . Since  $q$  is a quotient map, it follows



that  $i$  is continuous. In view of Lemma 2.2 this proves our theorem.  $\square$

**COROLLARY 2.4.** For a ttg  $(T, X, \pi)$  the following statements are equivalent:

1.  $f: X \rightarrow 2^X$  is continuous;
2.  $C$  is an equivalence relation and  $(X/C)_q \subseteq 2_{f}^X$ .

**THEOREM 2.5.** Let  $(T, X, \pi)$  be a ttg with compact phase space. Then  $f$  is continuous, if  $(X/C)_q$  is  $T_2$ .

**PROOF.** Choose  $x \in X$  and let  $\langle U_1, \dots, U_n \rangle$  be a basis open nbhd of  $f(x)$  in  $2^X$ , i.e.,  $C(x) \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n U_i = U$  and  $C(x) \cap U_i \neq \emptyset$  for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  ( $U_i$  open in  $X$ ).

First we show that

a. there exists a nbhd  $O_x$  of  $x$  in  $X$ , such that  $f(z) \subseteq U$  for every  $z \in O_x$ . Let  $y \notin U$ ; then  $C(x) \neq C(y)$  and there are open nbhds  $V_x^y$  and  $V_y^y$  of  $C(x)$  and  $C(y)$  in  $(X/C)_q$  with  $V_x^y \cap V_y^y = \emptyset$ . Then  $O_y = q^{\leftarrow}[V_y^y]$  and  $O_x^y = q^{\leftarrow}[V_x^y]$  are disjoint open nbhds of  $y$  and  $x$  in  $X$  and both are the union of orbit closures. Since  $\{O_y \mid y \notin U\}$  is an open covering of  $X/U$  and  $X/U$  is compact, there are an  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $y_1, \dots, y_m$  in  $X/U$ , such that  $X/U \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^m O_{y_i} = O$ . Now,  $O_x = \bigcap_{i=1}^m O_x^{y_i}$  is an open nbhd of  $x$  in  $X$  with  $O_x \cap O = \emptyset$  and  $O_x$  is the union of orbit closures. For every  $z \in O_x$  we clearly have  $f(z) \subseteq O_x \subseteq U$ .

Next we show that

b. there exists a nbhd  $V_x$  of  $x$  in  $X$ , such that for every  $z \in V_x$  and every



$i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ,  $f(z) \cap U_i \neq \emptyset$ . For every  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$   $U_i$  is open and  $C(x) \cap U_i \neq \emptyset$ , so there exists a  $t_i$  in  $T$  with  $\pi(t_i, x) \in U_i$ . Now  $\pi^{t_i^{-1}}[U_i]$  is an open nbhd of  $x$  and for every  $z \in \pi^{t_i^{-1}}[U_i]$  we have  $C(z) \cap U_i \neq \emptyset$ . Define  $V_x = \bigcap_{i=1}^n \pi^{t_i^{-1}}[U_i]$ . Then  $V_x$  is an open nbhd of  $x$  in  $X$ , such that  $f(z) \cap U_i \neq \emptyset$  for all  $z \in V_x$ .

Furthermore,

c. Define  $W_x = O_x \cap V_x$ . Then  $f(z) \cap U_i \neq \emptyset$  and  $f(z) \subseteq U$ , so

$f(z) \in \langle U_1, \dots, U_n \rangle$  for every  $z \in W_x$ , and  $f$  is continuous.  $\square$

**COROLLARY 2.6.** Let  $(T, X, \pi)$  be a ttg with compact  $T_2$  phase space. The following statements are equivalent:

1.  $f: X \rightarrow 2^X$  is continuous;
2.  $C$  is an equivalence relation and  $(X/C)_q \subseteq 2^X (= 2_f^X = 2_u^X)$ ;
3.  $C$  is an equivalence relation and  $(X/C)_q$  is  $T_2$ .

The following provides an example of a situation in which  $f$  is continuous. Remember that in a ttg  $(T, X, \pi)$  with a uniform phase space a point  $x \in X$  is called *equicontinuous* whenever, for every  $\alpha \in \mathcal{U}$  (uniformity on  $X$ ), there exists a  $\beta \in \mathcal{U}$ , such that  $\pi(t, y) \in \alpha(\pi(t, x))$  for every  $y \in \beta(x)$  and every  $t \in T$ .

**EXAMPLE 2.7.** Let  $(T, X, \pi)$  be a ttg, with compact  $T_2$  phase space and let  $x \in X$  be an equicontinuous point. Then  $f$  is continuous in  $x$ .

**PROOF.** Remark that  $2^X = 2_f^X = 2_u^X$ . Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be the unique uniform structure on  $X$  and let  $\alpha \in \mathcal{U}$  be closed and symmetric. Then  $\alpha^*(f(x))$  is a nbhd of  $f(x)$  in  $2^X$ . We have to prove that there exists a  $\beta \in \mathcal{U}$ , such that  $f(\beta(x)) \subseteq \alpha^*(f(x))$  or, equivalently, that  $C(y) \subseteq \alpha(C(x))$  and  $C(x) \subseteq \alpha(C(y))$  for every  $y \in \beta(x)$ . Since  $x$  is equicontinuous, there exists a  $\beta \in \mathcal{U}$ , such that for every  $y \in \beta(x)$  and  $t \in T$  we have  $\pi(t, y) \in \alpha(\pi(t, x))$ , so  $\pi(t, x) \in \alpha^{-1}(\pi(t, y)) = \alpha(\pi(t, y))$ . Now  $\{\pi(t, y) \mid t \in T\} \subseteq \bigcup \{\alpha(\pi(t, x)) \mid t \in T\} = \alpha(\Gamma(x)) \subseteq \alpha(C(x))$  and also  $\Gamma(x) \subseteq \alpha(C(y))$ . Since  $\alpha$  is closed, it follows that  $C(y) \subseteq \alpha(C(x))$  and  $C(x) \subseteq \alpha(C(y))$  for all  $y \in \beta(x)$ .  $\square$

**COROLLARY 2.8.** If  $X$  is equicontinuous, then  $f$  is continuous and  $(X/C)_q$  is  $T_2$ .

## 3. HYPERTRANSFORMATION GROUPS

Every ttg  $(T, X, \pi)$  induces a ttg  $(T_d, 2_f^X, \tilde{\pi})$  and in case  $X$  is a uniform space, also a ttg  $(T_d, 2_u^X, \tilde{\pi})$ , where  $T_d$  stands for the topological group  $T$  with the discrete topology. The action  $\tilde{\pi}: T_d \times 2^X \rightarrow 2^X$  is defined by  $\tilde{\pi}(t, A) = \pi^t[A]$ . Since every  $\pi^t$  is a homeomorphism, it follows that every  $\tilde{\pi}^t = \pi^{t*}$  is a homeomorphism and it is easy to verify that  $\tilde{\pi}^e = i_{2^X}$  and  $\tilde{\pi}^s \circ \tilde{\pi}^t = \tilde{\pi}^{st}$ .

**THEOREM 3.1.** *Let  $(T, X, \pi)$  be a ttg with arbitrary phase group  $T$ . Then  $(T, C(X), \tilde{\pi})$  is a ttg.*

**PROOF.** Since  $C(X) \subseteq 2^X$  is invariant in  $(T_d, 2^X, \tilde{\pi})$ , we only have to check the continuity of  $\tilde{\pi}: T \times C(X) \rightarrow C(X)$ . Choose  $(t, A) \in T \times C(X)$  and let  $\langle U_1, \dots, U_n \rangle$  be a basis open nbhd of  $\tilde{\pi}(t, A) = \pi^t[A]$ . Then  $\pi^t[A] \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n U_i$  and  $\pi^t[A] \cap U_i \neq \emptyset$  for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . Since  $\pi$  is continuous and  $A$  is compact, there are open nbhds  $V_t^0$  of  $t$  in  $T$  and  $O_A$  of  $A$  in  $X$ , such that  $\pi[V_t^0 \times O_A] \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n U_i$ . Fix  $x_i \in A$  with  $\pi(t, x_i) \in U_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Then by the continuity of  $\pi$  there are open nbhds  $V_t^i$  of  $t$  in  $T$  and  $W_{x_i}$  of  $x_i$  in  $X$ , such that  $\pi[V_t^i \times W_{x_i}] \subseteq U_i$  and  $W_{x_i} \subseteq O_A$ . Now  $V_t := \bigcap_{i=0}^n V_t^i$  is an open nbhd of  $t$  in  $T$ ,  $\langle O_A, W_{x_1}, \dots, W_{x_n} \rangle$  is an open nbhd of  $A$  in  $C(X)$  and  $\tilde{\pi}[V_t \times \langle O_A, W_{x_1}, \dots, W_{x_n} \rangle] \subseteq \langle U_1, \dots, U_n \rangle$ . For let  $s \in V_t$  and  $E \in \langle O_A, W_{x_1}, \dots, W_{x_n} \rangle$ , then  $E \subseteq O_A$ , so  $\tilde{\pi}(s, E) \subseteq \pi[V_t^0 \times O_A] \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n U_i$ . Also  $E \cap W_{x_i} \neq \emptyset$  for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . Choose  $e_i \in E \cap W_{x_i}$ ; then  $\pi(s, e_i) \in \tilde{\pi}(s, E) \cap U_i$ .

This proves the continuity of  $\tilde{\pi}$ .  $\square$

**COROLLARY 3.2** [KOO]. *Let  $(T, X, \pi)$  be a ttg with arbitrary phase group  $T$  and compact phase space  $X$ . Then  $(T, 2^X, \tilde{\pi}) (= (T, 2_u^X, \tilde{\pi}) = (T, 2_f^X, \tilde{\pi}))$  is a ttg.*

In the sequel we assume the existence of  $(T, 2_f^X, \tilde{\pi})$  or  $(T, 2_u^X, \tilde{\pi})$  as soon as we discuss them. Also we shall skip the action-symbol and write the action as a left multiplication of elements (subsets) of  $X$  by elements of  $T$ :  $tx := \pi(t, x)$ ,  $tA := \tilde{\pi}(t, A)$ .

4. RECURSIVENESS IN  $X$  AND  $2^X$ 

The following definitions are taken from [3]. Let  $T$  be a topological group and let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a fixed collection of subsets of  $T$ , the so called *admissible sets*.

Let  $(T, X)$  be a ttg. A point  $x \in X$  is *recursive*, if for every nbhd  $U$  of  $x$  in  $X$  there exists an admissible set  $H$  with  $Hx \subseteq U$ ;  $x \in X$  is *locally recursive*, if for every nbhd  $U$  of  $x$  in  $X$  there exist an  $H \in \mathcal{H}$  and an open nbhd  $V$  of  $x$  in  $X$  with  $HV \subseteq U$ .

$X$  is called *pointwise (locally) recursive*, if every  $x \in X$  is (locally) recursive.

Let  $(X, \mathcal{U})$  be a uniform space; then  $X$  is called *uniformly recursive*, if for every  $\alpha \in \mathcal{U}$  there exists an  $H \in \mathcal{H}$ , such that  $Hx \subseteq \alpha(x)$  for every  $x \in X$ .

If we choose  $\mathcal{H}$  to be the collection of all right-syndetic subjects of  $T$ , then this special form of recursiveness is called *almost periodicity*.

In the following we find generalizations of [4] Theorems 2.3, 2.1, 2.2 in 4.2, 4.3 and 4.4(a), respectively. Theorem 4.4(b) seems new.

REMARK 4.1.

- a. If  $x \in X$  is locally recursive, then  $x$  is recursive;
- b. if  $X$  is uniformly recursive, then  $X$  is pointwise locally recursive.

THEOREM 4.2. Let  $(T, X)$  be a ttg and  $(X, \mathcal{U})$  a uniform space, such that  $(T, 2^X_{\mathcal{U}})$  is a ttg. Then  $2^X_{\mathcal{U}}$  is uniformly recursive iff  $X$  is uniformly recursive.

PROOF. [4] Theorem 2.3, since the compactness of  $X$  has not been used in the proof.  $\square$

THEOREM 4.3.

- a. Let  $X$  be  $T_3$ . If  $2^X_f$  is pointwise recursive, then  $X$  is pointwise locally recursive;
- b. let  $(X, \mathcal{U})$  be a locally compact uniform space. If  $2^X_{\mathcal{U}}$  is pointwise recursive, then  $X$  is pointwise locally recursive.

PROOF. Choose  $x \in X$  and let  $U_x$  be an open nbhd of  $x$  in  $X$ . Then there exists an open nbhd  $V_x$  of  $x$  in  $X$  with  $x \in V_x \subseteq \bar{V}_x \subseteq U_x$ . Then  $\bar{V}_x \in 2^X$  and  $\langle U_x \rangle$  is

an open nbhd of  $\bar{V}_x$  in  $2_f^X$ . Since  $\bar{V}_x$  is a recursive point in  $2_f^X$ , there exists an  $H \in \mathcal{H}$  with  $H\bar{V}_x \subseteq \langle U_x \rangle$ . So  $HV_x \subseteq U_x$ , and  $x$  is locally recursive in  $X$ .

If  $X$  is locally compact, we may choose  $V_x$  to be compact. Now there exists an  $\alpha \in \mathcal{U}$ , such that  $\alpha(V_x) \subseteq U_x$ . Since  $2_u^X$  is pointwise recursive, there is an  $H \in \mathcal{H}$  with  $HV_x \subseteq \alpha^*(V_x)$ . Then for every  $h \in H$  we have  $hV_x \subseteq \alpha(V_x) \subseteq U_x$ , so  $HV_x \subseteq U_x$  and  $x$  is locally recursive.  $\square$

**THEOREM 4.4.** *Let  $T$  be an abelian group. Then the following statements hold, both for  $2_f^X$  and  $2_u^X$ :*

- $x \in X$  is recursive iff every finite subset of  $\Gamma(x)$  is recursive in  $2^X$ ;
- $x \in X$  is locally recursive iff every finite subset of  $\Gamma(x)$  is locally recursive in  $2^X$ .

**PROOF.** Observe that in both cases the "iff" part is trivial. First we prove the theorem for  $2_u^X$ . Case a. is Theorem 2.2 of [4].

b. Let  $A = \{t_1x, \dots, t_nx\} \subseteq \Gamma(x)$  be a finite subset of  $\Gamma(x)$  and let  $\alpha^*(A)$  be a basis-open nbhd of  $A$  in  $2_u^X$  for some symmetric  $\alpha \in \mathcal{U}$ . Since  $\pi^{t_i}$  is continuous for  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , there exists a  $\beta \in \mathcal{U}$  with  $t_i\beta(x) \subseteq \alpha(t_ix)$  for every  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . Because  $x$  is locally recursive, there are  $H \in \mathcal{H}$  and  $\delta \in \mathcal{U}$  with  $H\delta(x) \subseteq \beta(x)$ . By the continuity of every  $\pi^{t_i^{-1}}$  we can find a symmetric  $\gamma \in \mathcal{U}$  with  $t_i^{-1}\gamma(t_ix) \subseteq \delta(x)$  for every  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . We shall prove that  $H\gamma^*(A) \subseteq \alpha^*(A)$ , so that  $A$  is a locally recursive point in  $2_u^X$ .

Let  $E \in \gamma^*(A)$ , so  $E \subseteq \gamma(A)$  and  $A \subseteq \gamma(E)$ . For every  $e \in E$  there is an  $i_e \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , such that  $e \in \gamma(t_{i_e}x)$  and for every  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  there is an  $e_i \in E$ , such that  $t_ix \in \gamma(e_i)$  and, by the symmetry of  $\gamma$ ,  $e_i \in \gamma(t_ix)$ . If  $e \in \gamma(t_ix)$ , then for every  $h \in H$  we have  $he \in H\gamma(t_ix) \subseteq Ht_i\delta(x) = t_iH\delta(x) \subseteq t_i\beta(x) \subseteq \alpha(t_ix)$  and also  $t_ix \in \alpha(he)$ . Now it follows that

$$hE = U\{he \mid e \in E\} \subseteq U\{\alpha(t_{i_e}(x)) \mid e \in E\} \subseteq \alpha(A)$$

and

$$A = U\{t_ix \mid i \in \{1, \dots, n\}\} \subseteq U\{\alpha(he_i) \mid i \in \{1, \dots, n\}\} \subseteq \alpha(hE),$$

so  $hE \in \alpha^*(A)$ . Since  $h \in H$  and  $E \in \gamma^*(A)$  were arbitrary, it follows that  $H\gamma^*(A) \subseteq \alpha^*(A)$ .

We now turn to  $2_f^X$ . Let  $A = \{t_1x, \dots, t_mx\} \subseteq \Gamma(x)$  be a finite subset of

$\Gamma(x)$  and let  $\langle U_1, \dots, U_n \rangle$  be an open nbhd of  $A$  in  $2_f^X$ . For every  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  choose an element  $k_j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ , such that  $t_{k_j} x \in U_j$ , and for every  $k \in K = \{1, \dots, m\} \setminus \{k_j \mid j = 1, \dots, n\}$  choose an  $\ell_k \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , such that  $t_k(x) \in U_{\ell_k}$ . Then  $O = \bigcap_{j=1}^n t_{k_j}^{-1} U_j \cap \bigcap \{t_k^{-1} U_{\ell_k} \mid k \in K\}$  is an open nbhd of  $x$  in  $X$ .

a. Let  $x \in X$  be recursive. Then there is an  $H \in \mathcal{H}$  with  $Hx \subseteq O$ , so  $Hx \subseteq t_{k_j}^{-1} U_j$  for every  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  and  $Hx \subseteq t_k^{-1} U_{\ell_k}$  for every  $k \in K$ . Since  $T$  is abelian, it follows that  $Ht_{k_j} x \subseteq U_j$  and  $Ht_k x \subseteq U_{\ell_k}$  for every  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  and  $k \in K$ . But then  $HA \subseteq \langle U_1, \dots, U_n \rangle$  and  $A$  is recursive in  $2_f^X$ .

b. Let  $x \in X$  be locally recursive. Then there are an  $H \in \mathcal{H}$  and an open nbhd  $V_x$  of  $x$  in  $X$  with  $HV_x \subseteq O$ , so  $HV_x \subseteq t_{k_j}^{-1} U_j$  and  $Ht_{k_j} V_x \subseteq U_j$  for every  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  and  $HV_x \subseteq t_k^{-1} U_{\ell_k}$ , hence  $Ht_k V_x \subseteq U_{\ell_k}$  for every  $k \in K$ . If we enumerate the elements of  $K$  as  $k_{n+1}, \dots, k_p$ , then we may define  $W = \langle t_{k_1} V_x, \dots, t_{k_p} V_x \rangle$ . Then  $A \in W$  and we shall prove that  $HW \subseteq \langle U_1, \dots, U_n \rangle$ , that is, the point  $A \in 2_f^X$  is locally recursive in  $2_f^X$ .

Let  $B \in W$ , so  $B \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^p t_{k_i} V_x$  and  $B \cap t_{k_i} V_x \neq \emptyset$  for every  $i \in \{1, \dots, p\}$ . For every  $h \in H$  we have  $hB \subseteq \bigcup \{ht_{k_i} V_x \mid i \in \{1, \dots, p\}\}$ . But  $ht_{k_i} V_x \subseteq Ht_{k_i} V_x \subseteq U_i$  for  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  and  $ht_{k_i} V_x \subseteq Ht_{k_i} V_x \subseteq U_{\ell_{k_i}}$  for every  $i \in \{n+1, \dots, p\}$ , so  $hB \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^p U_i$ . Also  $hB \cap ht_{k_i} V_x \neq \emptyset$ , so  $hB \cap U_i \neq \emptyset$  for every  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . It follows that  $hB \in \langle U_1, \dots, U_n \rangle$ .  $\square$

**LEMMA 4.5.** *Let  $X$  be point transitive, and let  $x \in X$  be such that  $X = C(x)$ . Then  $\{E \in 2_f^X \mid E \subseteq \Gamma(x) \text{ and } E \text{ is finite}\}$  is a dense subset of  $2_f^X$ .*

**PROOF.** Let  $\langle U_1, \dots, U_n \rangle$  be an open basis set in  $2_f^X$ . Every  $U_i$  is open in  $X$  and so it contains an element from  $\Gamma(x)$ ,  $t_i x \in U_i$  say. Then  $A = \{t_1 x, \dots, t_n x\} \in \langle U_1, \dots, U_n \rangle$ .  $\square$

**COROLLARY 4.6.** *Let  $T$  be abelian and  $X = C(x)$  for a (locally) recursive  $x \in X$ . Then  $2_f^X$  has a dense subset of (locally) recursive points.*

## 5. ALMOST PERIODICITY

We shall apply and refine Section 4 for the special case of almost periodicity, that is recursiveness where the admissible sets are the right-syndetic subsets of  $T$ .

We shall call two points  $x$  and  $y$  in  $X$  *topologically distal*, whenever either  $x=y$  or there does not exist a net  $\{t_i\}$  in  $T$ , such that  $\lim t_i x = z = \lim t_i y$ . Equivalently,  $x$  and  $y$  are topologically distal iff  $C(x,y) \cap \Delta_x = \phi$  in  $X \times X$ , where  $\Delta_x$  denotes the diagonal in  $X \times X$ . For compact  $T_2$  spaces  $X$  with uniformity  $\mathcal{U}$  this is equivalent to the existence of an  $\alpha \in \mathcal{U}$ , with  $(tx, ty) \notin \alpha$  for every  $t \in T$ , and so  $x$  and  $y$  are topologically distal iff they are distal. We shall call  $X$  *topologically distal*, if every  $x$  and  $y$  in  $X$  are topologically distal.

The following result generalizes [4] Lemma 4.2. Also compare [4] Lemma 4.1.

**THEOREM 5.1.** *Let  $X$  be a  $T_3$  space (uniform space) and let  $\{x,y\}$  be an almost periodic point in  $2_{f,u}^X$  ( $2_u^X$ ). Then  $x$  and  $y$  are topologically distal points in  $X$ .*

**PROOF.** a. Let  $X$  be  $T_3$  and assume  $x \neq y$ . Then there are closed nbhds  $U$  and  $V$  of  $x$  and  $y$  in  $X$ , with  $U \cap V = \phi$ , so  $(U \times V) \cap \Delta_x = \phi$ . Since  $\{x,y\} \in \langle U^\circ, V^\circ \rangle$  and  $\{x,y\}$  is almost periodic in  $2_f^X$ , there exists a right-syndetic subset  $H$  of  $T$ , such that  $H\{x,y\} \subseteq \langle U^\circ, V^\circ \rangle$ . It follows that  $H(x,y) \subseteq U^\circ \times V^\circ \cup V^\circ \times U^\circ$  and so  $\overline{H(x,y)} \subseteq U \times V \cup V \times U$  and also  $\overline{H(x,y)} \cap \Delta_x = \phi$ . Let  $K \subseteq T$  be compact, such that  $KH = T$ . Then  $K \overline{H(x,y)} \cap \Delta_x = \phi$ . Since  $K \overline{H(x,y)} = \overline{KH(x,y)} = C(x,y)$ , this shows that  $x$  and  $y$  are topologically distal.

b. Let  $(X, \mathcal{U})$  be a uniform space and  $x \neq y$ . Choose a symmetric  $\beta \in \mathcal{U}$ , such that  $\beta(x) \cap \beta(y) = \phi$  and choose a closed index  $\omega \in [\mathcal{U}^*]$  (the uniform structure on  $2_u^X$  induced by  $\mathcal{U}$ ) with  $\omega \subseteq \beta^*$ . Since  $\{x,y\}$  is an almost periodic point in  $2_u^X$ , there exists a right-syndetic set  $H \subseteq T$  with  $H\{x,y\} \subseteq \omega(\{x,y\})$ , so  $\overline{H\{x,y\}} \subseteq \omega(\{x,y\}) \subseteq \beta^*(\{x,y\})$ . We shall prove that  $\overline{H(x,y)} \cap \Delta_x = \phi$ , so that, similar to part a,  $x$  and  $y$  are topologically distal in  $X$ .

Suppose  $(z,z) \in \overline{H(x,y)}$ , then for every  $\alpha \in \mathcal{U}$  there is an  $h \in H$ , with  $(hx, hy) \in \alpha(z) \times \alpha(z)$ , and so  $h\{x,y\} \subseteq \alpha(z)$ . For symmetric  $\alpha \in \mathcal{U}$  it follows,

that  $h\{x,y\} \in \alpha^*(z)$ . Since  $U$  has a basis consisting of symmetric indexes, it follows that  $\{z\} \in \overline{H\{x,y\}} \in \beta^*({x,y})$ . But then  $\{x,y\} \subseteq \beta(z)$  and  $z \in \beta(x) \cap \beta(y)$ , which contradicts our assumption about  $\beta \in U$ .  $\square$

**COROLLARY 5.2.** *Let  $X$  be a  $T_3$ -space (uniform space). Then  $X$  is topologically distal, if  $2_f^X$  ( $2_u^X$ ) is pointwise almost periodic. If  $X$  is compact  $T_2$ , then  $X$  is distal, if  $2^X$  is pointwise almost periodic ([4], Corollary 4.2).*

**LEMMA 5.3.** *Let  $X$  be a topological space (uniform space) and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  is almost periodic in  $2_f^X$  ( $2_u^X$ ), if  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  is almost periodic in  $X^n$ .*

**PROOF.** a. Let  $\langle U_1, \dots, U_m \rangle$  be an open nbhd of  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ . Choose for every  $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$  an element  $j_i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , such that  $x_{j_i} \in U_i$  and for every  $k \in \{1, \dots, n\} \setminus \{j_i \mid i \in \{1, \dots, m\}\}$  an  $i_k \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ , with  $x_k \in U_{i_k}$ . Define for every  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  a nbhd  $V_\ell$  of  $x_\ell$  as follows:

$$\text{If } \ell \in \{j_i \mid i \in \{1, \dots, m\}\} \text{ then } V_\ell := \bigcap \{U_i \mid j_i = \ell\},$$

$$\text{else } V_\ell := U_{i_\ell}.$$

Now  $V_1 \times \dots \times V_n$  is a nbhd of  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  in  $X^n$ , so there exists a right-syndetic subset  $H$  of  $T$ , with  $H(x_1, \dots, x_n) \subseteq V_1 \times \dots \times V_n$  and obviously,  $H\{x_1, \dots, x_n\} \subseteq \langle U_1, \dots, U_m \rangle$ .

b. Straightforward.  $\square$

**THEOREM 5.4.** *Let  $X$  be a compact  $T_2$  space. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- a.  $X$  is distal;
- b. every doubleton in  $X$  is almost periodic in  $2^X$ ;
- c. every finite subset of  $X$  is almost periodic in  $2^X$ .

**PROOF.**  $c \Rightarrow b$  trivial;  $b \Rightarrow a$  (Theorem 5.1);  $a \Rightarrow c$ . Let  $E \subseteq X$  be finite, with  $|E| = n$ . Then  $X^n$  is distal, so pointwise almost periodic. From Lemma 5.3 it follows that  $E$  is almost periodic in  $2^X$ .  $\square$

Note that, if  $T$  is abelian, then  $X$  is pointwise almost periodic iff every finite subset of  $\Gamma(x)$  is almost periodic in  $2^X$  for every  $x \in X$ , so

in particular, if  $X$  is minimal, then  $2_f^X$  has a dense subset of almost periodic points (4.4(a) and 4.6).

**THEOREM 5.5** [KOO] ([4] Theorem 4.1). *Let  $X$  be compact  $T_2$ . Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- a.  $X$  is uniform almost periodic;
- b.  $2_f^X$  is pointwise almost periodic;
- c.  $2_f^X$  is uniform almost periodic.

**PROOF.**  $a \Rightarrow c$  (Theorem 4.2);  $c \Rightarrow b$  (Remark 4.1).  $b \Rightarrow a$   $X$  is distal by Corollary 5.2 and pointwise locally almost periodic by Theorem 4.3, so  $X$  is uniform almost periodic by [2], 5.28.  $\square$

**THEOREM 5.6.** *Let  $X$  be a  $T_3$ -space (uniform space) and let  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  be almost periodic in  $2_f^X$  ( $2_u^X$ ). Then for every  $A \in C\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  we have  $|A| = n$ .*

**PROOF.** First observe that, for an arbitrary ttg  $(T, Y)$  and for every  $y \in Y$  which is almost periodic and has local basis of closed nbhds, we have that  $C(y)$  is minimal. Let  $A \in 2_f^X$  be a compact subset of  $X$ . It follows from the regularity of  $X$ , that  $A$  has a local basis of closed nbhds, both in  $2_f^X$  and in  $2_u^X$  ([5], 4.9.10). So if  $A \in 2_f^X$  ( $2_u^X$ ) is compact and almost periodic, then  $C(A)$  is minimal in  $2_f^X$  ( $2_u^X$ ). We show first that  $|A| \leq n$  for every  $A \in C(\{x_1, \dots, x_n\})$ . So let  $A \in C(\{x_1, \dots, x_n\})$  and suppose  $|A| > n$ . Choose  $n+1$  different points in  $A$ ,  $y_1, \dots, y_{n+1}$  say.

- a. Let  $V_1, \dots, V_{n+1}$  be pairwise disjoint open nbhds of  $y_1, \dots, y_{n+1}$ , respectively. Then  $A \in \langle V_1, \dots, V_{n+1}, X \rangle$ . However,  $\langle V_1, \dots, V_{n+1}, X \rangle \cap \Gamma(\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}) = \emptyset$ , otherwise there would be  $t \in T$  and  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , with  $tx_j$  occurring in two different  $V_i$ 's. It follows that  $A \notin C(\{x_1, \dots, x_n\})$ , a contradiction.
- b. Choose a symmetric  $\alpha \in U$  such that  $\{\alpha(y_i) \mid i \in \{1, \dots, n+1\}\}$  is pairwise disjoint. Similar to a we get a contradiction.

In the same way the assumption  $|A| < n$  for some  $A \in C(\{x_1, \dots, x_n\})$  leads to the conclusion that  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\} \notin C(A)$ , which contradicts the minimality of  $C(\{x_1, \dots, x_n\})$ .  $\square$

We now want to prove a converse of Lemma 5.3, which in the case of



compact  $T_2$  spaces has been done by KOO ([4], Theorem 4.2). Our method is exactly the same, but a weaker condition turned out to be sufficient. Define the map  $f: X^n \rightarrow 2^X$  by  $f((x_1, \dots, x_n)) = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ . Then  $f$  is easily seen to be equivariant, i.e.,  $f(t(x_1, \dots, x_n)) = tf((x_1, \dots, x_n))$  for all  $t \in T$ . Also,  $f$  is continuous with respect to  $2_f^X$  as well as  $2_u^X$ . Indeed, let  $\langle U_1, \dots, U_m \rangle$  ( $\alpha^*({x_1, \dots, x_n})$  for a symmetric  $\alpha \in U$ ) be a nbhd of  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  in  $2_f^X$  ( $2_u^X$ ); then  $f(V_1 \times \dots \times V_n) \subseteq \langle U_1, \dots, U_m \rangle$  ( $f(\alpha(x_1) \times \dots \times \alpha(x_n)) \subseteq \subseteq \alpha^*({x_1, \dots, x_n})$ ) with  $V_1 \times \dots \times V_n$  as in the proof of Lemma 5.3.

We need the following theorem, due to EISENBERG ([1]).

**THEOREM 5.7.** *Let  $(T, X)$  and  $(T, Y)$  be ttg's with compact  $T_2$  phase spaces and let  $Y$  be minimal and  $X$  point transitive. Let  $g: X \rightarrow Y$  be a continuous equivariant, locally one-to-one surjection. Then  $X$  is minimal.*

**LEMMA 5.8** ([4] Lemma 4.4). *Let  $X$  be a  $T_2$ -space and let  $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in X^n$  be such that  $x_i \neq x_j$  for  $i \neq j$ . Then  $f$  is locally one-to-one in  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ , i.e.,  $f$  is one-to-one on some nbhd of  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ .*

**LEMMA 5.9.** *Let  $X$  be  $T_3$  (uniform) and let  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  be an almost periodic point in  $2_f^X$  ( $2_u^X$ ); then  $f' = f|_{C((x_1, \dots, x_n))}$  is a locally one-to-one map from  $C((x_1, \dots, x_n))$  onto  $C(\{x_1, \dots, x_n\})$ .*

**PROOF.** Clearly  $f(\Gamma((x_1, \dots, x_n))) \subseteq \Gamma(\{x_1, \dots, x_n\})$ ; the continuity of  $f$  implies that  $f(C((x_1, \dots, x_n))) \subseteq C(\{x_1, \dots, x_n\})$ . So by Theorem 5.6 we have for every  $(y_1, \dots, y_n) \in C((x_1, \dots, x_n))$  that  $y_i \neq y_j$  if  $i \neq j$ ; hence  $f'$  is locally one-to-one by Lemma 5.8. We shall prove that  $f(C((x_1, \dots, x_n)))$  is closed in  $C(\{x_1, \dots, x_n\})$ . Then the minimality of  $C(\{x_1, \dots, x_n\})$  (see the beginning of the proof of Theorem 5.6) implies that  $f'$  is surjective.

Assume the existence of an  $A \in C(\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}) \setminus f(C((x_1, \dots, x_n)))$ . It is clear from Theorem 5.6 that  $|A| = n$ ,  $A = \{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$  say. Then for every permutation  $\sigma$  of  $1, \dots, n$  holds  $(y_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, y_{\sigma(n)}) \notin C((x_1, \dots, x_n))$ , so we may choose pairwise disjoint open nbhds  $V_i^\sigma$  of  $y_i$  in  $X$ , such that  $V_{\sigma(1)}^\sigma \times \dots \times V_{\sigma(n)}^\sigma \cap C((x_1, \dots, x_n)) = \emptyset$ . Define  $V_i = \bigcap \{V_i^\sigma \mid \sigma \text{ permutation of } 1, \dots, n\}$ . Then  $\langle V_1, \dots, V_n \rangle$  is a nbhd of  $\{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$  in  $2_f^X$ , with  $\langle V_1, \dots, V_n \rangle \cap f(C((x_1, \dots, x_n))) = \emptyset$ . Now  $f(C((x_1, \dots, x_n)))$  is closed in  $C(\{x_1, \dots, x_n\})$ . In the case of  $2_u^X$  we choose suitable symmetric  $\alpha^\sigma \in U$  and similar to the

case of  $2_f^X$  it follows that  $f(C((x_1, \dots, x_n)))$  is closed in  $C(\{x_1, \dots, x_n\})$ .  $\square$

The following result is the converse of Lemma 5.3 and it slightly generalizes [4], Theorem 4.2.

THEOREM 5.10. *Let  $X$  be locally compact  $T_2$ . Then  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  is an almost periodic point in  $X^n$ , iff  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  is an almost periodic point in  $2_f^X$  ( $2_u^X$ ) and  $C((x_1, \dots, x_n))$  is compact.*

PROOF. " $\Rightarrow$ "  $X^n$  is locally compact  $T_2$ , so  $C((x_1, \dots, x_n))$  is compact and by Lemma 5.3,  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  is almost periodic.

" $\Leftarrow$ ". By Lemma 5.9,  $f': C((x_1, \dots, x_n)) \rightarrow C(\{x_1, \dots, x_n\})$  satisfies the conditions of Theorem 5.7. Since  $C(\{x_1, \dots, x_n\})$  is minimal and  $C((x_1, \dots, x_n))$  is point transitive, it follows from Theorem 5.7 that  $C((x_1, \dots, x_n))$  is minimal, so  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  is an almost periodic point in  $X^n$ .  $\square$

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