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C- α -Compact Spaces

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Abstract. Viglino[13], introduced the family of *C*-compact spaces, showing that every continuous function from a *C*-compact space into a Hausdorff space is a closed function and that this class of spaces properly contains the class of compact spaces. In the present paper, we study these spaces by considering α -open sets introduced by Njastad [11]. We also characterize their fundamental properties.

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Introduction

It is well known that the image of a compact space under a continuous function into a Hausdorff space is closed. If we denote by \mathcal{P} the property that every continuous function from a topological space into a Hausdorff space is closed then the problem is whether underlying topological space having the property \mathcal{P} is always compact. Viglino [13] resolved this problem in 1969 in the negative and substantiated his argument with an example. He simultaneously introduced a new class of topological space for which property \mathcal{P} held. He called these spaces as *C*-compact. Since then, a tremendous number of papers such as Viglino[13], Sakai[12], Herringaton et.al.[7], Viglino[14], Goss & Viglino[6] and Kim[8] have appeared on *C*-compact spaces. The notion of α -open set was introduced by Njasted [11] in 1965. Since then, these sets are being used in investigating separation covering and connectivity properties such as Njasted[11], Biswas[2], Andrijevic[1], Caldas et.al.[3], Devi et.al.[4], Mashour et.al.[10], Maheshwari & Thakur[9] and Goss & Viglino[5].

In the present paper, we venture to generalize C-compact spaces by using α -open set and shall term them as C- α -compact spaces.

1 Preliminaries

Throughout this paper X and Y represents non-empty topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed, unless otherwise stated. For any subset A of X, cl(A) and int(A) respectively represents the closure and interior of A. Now we recall some definitions and results, which we have used in the sequel.

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Definition 1. Viglino[13] A topological space X is called C-compact if for each closed subset $A \subset X$ and for each open cover $\mathcal{U} = \{U_{\lambda} | \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ of A, there exists a finite subcollection $\{U_{\lambda_i} | 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ of \mathcal{U} such that $A \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n \operatorname{cl}(U_{\lambda_i})$.

Definition 2. Njastad[11] A subset A of a topological space X is called α -open if $A \subseteq int(cl(int(A)))$. The complement of an α -open set is called an α -closed. Equivalently, a set F is α -closed in X if $cl(int(cl(F))) \subseteq F$. The family of all α -open (respectively α -closed) sets in X is denoted by $\alpha O(X)$ (respectively $\alpha C(X)$.

Definition 3. Caldas et.al.[3] The intersection of all α -closed sets containing a subset $A \subset X$ is called the α -closure of A and is denoted by $cl_{\alpha}(A)$.

Definition 4. Devi et.al.[4] A topological space X is said to be α -regular if for every closed set F and a point $x \notin F$, there exists disjoint α -open sets A and B such that $x \in A$ and $F \subset B$. A set U is α -regular open if $\operatorname{int}_{\alpha}(\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha}(U)) = U$.

Definition 5. Mashour et.al.[10] A map $f: X \to Y$ is said to be α -continuous if the inverse image of every open subset of Y is α -open in X.

Remark 1. Mashour et.al. [10] Continuity implies α -continuity but not conversely.

Remark 2. Mashour et.al.[10] Every open mapping (closed mapping) is α -open (α -closed) but the converse is not true.

Definition 6. Maheshwari & Thakur[9] A topological space X is called α -compact if every α -cover of X has a finite subcover.

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Definition 7. A topological space X is said to be C- α -compact if for each closed subset $A \subset X$ and for each α -open cover $\mathcal{U} = \{U_{\lambda} \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ of A, there exists a finite sub collection $\{U_{\lambda_i} \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ of \mathcal{U} , such that $A \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha}(U_{\lambda_i})$.

Lemma 1. A topological space X is C- α -compact iff for each closed subset $A \subset X$ and for each α -regular open cover $\{U_{\lambda} | \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ of A, there exists a finite subcollection $\{U_{\lambda_i} | 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ such that $A \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} cl_{\alpha}(U_{\lambda_i})$.

Proof: Let X be C- α -compact and let $\{U_{\lambda} | \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ be any cover of A by α -open sets. Then $\mathcal{V} = \{\operatorname{int}_{\alpha}(\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha}(U_{\lambda}))\}$ is a α -regular open cover of A and so there exists a finite subcollection $\{\operatorname{int}_{\alpha}(\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha}(U_{\lambda_{i}})): 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ of \mathcal{V} such that $A \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha}\{\operatorname{int}_{\alpha}(\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha}(U_{\lambda_{i}}))\}$. But for each *i*, we have $\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha}\{\operatorname{int}_{\alpha}(\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha}(U_{\lambda_{i}}))\} = \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha}(U_{\lambda_{i}})$. Therefore, $A \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha}(U_{\lambda_{i}})$ implying that X is C- α -compact.

Theorem 1. A α -continuous image of a C- α -compact space is C- α -compact.

Proof: Let A be a closed subset of Y and let \mathcal{V} be an α -open cover of A. By α -continuity of $\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{f}^{-1}(A)$ is an α -closed subset of X and is such that $P = {\mathbf{f}^{-1}(V): V \in \mathcal{V}}$ is a cover of $\mathbf{f}^{-1}(A)$ by α -open sets. By C- α -compactness of X, there exists finite collection say; ${P_i: 1} \leq i \leq n$ of P such that $\mathbf{f}^{-1}(A) \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} {\mathrm{cl}_{\alpha}(\mathbf{f}^{-1}(V_i): 1 \leq i \leq n)}$. Now by α -continuity of $\mathbf{f}, A \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} {\mathrm{cl}_{\alpha}(V_i): 1 \leq i \leq n}$. Thus Y is a C- α -compact space.

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X is said to be an α -Hausdorff space if for any pair of distinct points x and y in X, there exists α -open set a U and V in X such that $x \in U, y \in V$ and $U \cap V = \phi$.

Definition 8. A set U in a topological space X is an α -neighborhood of a point x if U contains an α -open set V, such that $x \in V$.

Definition 9. Let X be a topological space and A be a subset of X then an element $x \in X$ is called α -adherent point of A if every α -open set G containing x contains at least one point of A, that is, $G \cap A \neq \phi$.

Definition 10. Let X is a non-empty set. A non-empty collection B of non-empty subset of X is called a basis for some filter on X if

(1) $\phi \notin \mathcal{B}$

(2) If $B_1, B_2 \in \mathcal{B}$ then there exist a $B \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $B \subset B_1 \cap B_2$.

Definition 11. Let \mathcal{B} be a filter base on a set X then the filter \mathcal{F} is said to be generated by \mathcal{B} if $\mathcal{F} = \{ A : A \subset B, B \in \mathcal{B} \}.$

Definition 12. A filter base \mathcal{F} is said to be α -adherent convergent if every neighborhood of the α -adherent set of \mathcal{F} contains an element of \mathcal{F} .

Theorem 2. For any α -Hausdorff space X. The following properties are equivalent.

- (1) X is C- α -compact.
- (2) For each closed subset $A \subset X$ and for each family \mathbf{f} of closed set of X with $\cap \{F \cap A: F \in \mathbf{f}\} = \phi$, there exists finite collection say; $\{F_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ of \mathbf{f} with $\bigcap_{i=1}^n \{(int_\alpha F_i) \cap A: 1 \leq i \leq n\} = \phi$.
- (3) If A is a closed subset of X and \mathbf{f} is an open filter base on X whose element have non-empty with A, then \mathbf{f} has a α -adherent point in X.

Proof (i) \Rightarrow (ii) Let A be a closed subset of a C- α -compact space X and f be a family of closed subset of X with $\cap \{F \cap A: F \in f\} = \phi \Rightarrow A \subset X \sim \cap \{F: F \in f\}$ or $A \subset \cup \{X \sim F: F \in f\}$. Therefore $\{X \sim F: F \in f\}$ is an open cover of A. Since every open set is a α -open set, therefore $\mathcal{G} = \{X \sim F: F \in f\}$ is a α -open cover of A and so by C- α -compactness of X, there exists a finite subfamily say; $\{X \sim F_i : 1 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } F_i \in f\}$ of \mathcal{G} such that $A \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n \{\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha}(X \sim F_i): 1 \leq i \leq n\} \Rightarrow A \subset X \sim \bigcap_{i=1}^n \{(\operatorname{int}_{\alpha}F_i): 1 \leq i \leq n\}$. Therefore $\bigcap_{i=1}^n \{(\operatorname{int}_{\alpha}F_i) \cap A: 1 \leq i \leq n\} = \phi$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii) Suppose that there exist a closed set A and let \mathcal{G} be an open filter base having non-empty trace with A such that \mathcal{G} has no α -adherent point. Now $\boldsymbol{f} = \{(cl_{\alpha}G): G \in \mathcal{G}\}$ is a family of closed set such that $\cap \{(cl_{\alpha}G): G \in \mathcal{G}\} \cap A = \phi$ (But $cl_{\alpha}G$ is a superset of Gso $cl_{\alpha}G \in \mathcal{G}$. Therefore $\cap \{(cl_{\alpha}G) \cap A: G \in \mathcal{G}\}$ is a trace of A and by hypothesis \mathcal{G} has no α -adherent point, therefore $\cap \{(cl_{\alpha}G) \cap A: G \in \mathcal{G}\} = \phi$) so there is a finite subfamily of \boldsymbol{f} , say $\{F_i = cl_{\alpha}G_i: 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ with $\bigcap_{i=1}^n \{(int_{\alpha}F_i) \cap A: 1 \leq i \leq n\} = \phi$ or $A \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n \{X \sim int_{\alpha} (cl_{\alpha}G_i):$ $1 \leq i \leq n\}$. Therefore $\bigcap_{i=1}^n \{G_i \cap A: 1 \leq i \leq n\} = \phi$. Since \mathcal{G} is a filter base therefore there must exist a $G \in \mathcal{G}$ such that $G \subset \bigcap_{i=1}^n \{G_i: 1 \leq i \leq n\}$. So $G \cap A = \phi$, a contradiction.

(iii) \Rightarrow (i) Assume that X is not C- α -compact then there is a closed subset A and a covering \mathcal{U} of A consisting of α -open subset of X such that for any finite subfamily $\{U_i: 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ of $\mathcal{U}, A \not\subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} \{\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} U_i: 1 \leq i \leq n\}$. Now $\mathcal{G} = [X \sim \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} \{\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} U_i: 1 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } U_i \in \mathcal{U}\}]$

is an open filter base having non-empty trace with A, so by (iii) there is an α -adherent point of G in A, let it be x. Thus $x \in \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} [X \sim \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} \{\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} U_{i} : 1 \leq i \leq n\}]$ say; for each $\mathcal{G} \in G$ or $x \in [X \sim \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} \{U_{i} : 1 \leq i \leq n\}]$. Therefore, \mathcal{U} is not a covering of A, a contradiction.

Theorem 3. A α -Hausdorff space X is C- α -compact iff every open filter base \mathcal{F} is α -adherent convergent.

Proof: Let \mathcal{F} be an open filter base of the C- α -compact space X. Let A be α -adherent set of \mathcal{F} . Let G be an open-neighborhood of A. Since A is the α -adherent set of \mathcal{F} , we have $A = \cap \{ \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} F : F \in \mathcal{F} \}$. Since G is an open-neighborhood of A, we have $A \subset G$ and $X \sim G$ is closed. Clearly $\{ X \sim \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} F : F \in \mathcal{F} \}$ is an α -open cover of $X \sim G$ and so $X \sim G \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} \{ \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} (X \sim \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} F_{i}) : 1 \leq i \leq n \}$. This implies $\bigcap_{i=1}^{n} \{ \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} (X \sim \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} F_{i}) : 1 \leq i \leq n \} \subset G$. Further $X \sim \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} F_{i} \subset X \sim F_{i}$ or $\bigcap_{i=1}^{n} \{ F_{i} : 1 \leq i \leq n \} \subset \bigcap_{i=1}^{n} \{ \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} (X \sim \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} F_{i}) : 1 \leq i \leq n \}$. Thus $\bigcap_{i=1}^{n} \{ F_{i} : 1 \leq i \leq n \} \subset G$, that is, open-neighborhood G of A contains a point of \mathcal{F} .

Conversely, let X be a non C- α -compact space and let A be any closed subset of X. Choose an α -open cover \mathcal{U} of A such that A is not contained in the α -closure of any finite union of elements in \mathcal{U} . Without loss of generality we may consider \mathcal{U} to be closed under finite unions. Obviously then $\mathcal{F} = \{X \sim \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} G : G \in \mathcal{U}\}$ is an open filter base in X. Let x be an α -adherent point of \mathcal{F} . This clearly implies that $x \notin A$. So the α -adherent set of the open filter base \mathcal{F} is contained in $X \sim A$, but no element of \mathcal{F} is contained in $X \sim A$.

Theorem 4. A α -Hausdorff space X is C- α -compact iff for each closed subset C of X and α -open cover \mathcal{C} of $X \sim C$ and a open-neighborhood U of C, there exists a finite collection $\{G_i \in \mathcal{C} : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ such that $X = U \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^n \{cl_\alpha G_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$.

Proof: Since U is an open-neighborhood of C, therefore $C \subset U \subset cl(C)$, or $X \sim U \subset X \sim C$ where $X \sim U$ is a α -closed set. Further, as \mathcal{C} is a α -open cover of $X \sim C$. Therefore \mathcal{C} is a α -open cover of the α -closed set $X \sim U$ too. Now by C- α -compactness of X, there exists a finite subfamily $\{G_i: 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ of C such that $X \sim U \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n \{cl_\alpha G_i: 1 \leq i \leq n\}$. Which

implies
$$X = U \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} \{ cl_{\alpha}G_i \colon 1 \le i \le n \}.$$

Conversely; Let A be a closed subset of X, \mathcal{G} be an α -open cover of A, Therefore $A \subset \bigcup \{G: G \in \mathcal{G}\} = H$ (say), obviously H is α -open, therefore $X \sim H = C$ (say), is α -closed and $C \subset X \sim A$. since $X \sim A$ is α -open. Therefore we can take $X \sim A = U$ is an open-neighborhood of C, thus by the given statement $X = U \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} \{\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha}G_i: 1 \leq i \leq n\}$. Hence X is C- α -compact.

Theorem 5. Every α -continuous function from a C- α -compact space to a α -Hausdorff space is closed.

Proof: Let \mathbf{f} be α -continuous function from a C- α -compact space X to a α -Hausdorff space Y. Let C be a closed set in X and let $p \notin \mathbf{f}$ (C). Now for every $x \in \mathbf{f}$ (C), $x \neq p$ and hence choose a open-neighborhood N_x such that $p \notin \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha}(N_x)$, obviously $\{\mathbf{f}^{-1}(N_x):$ $x \in \mathbf{f}(C)\}$ is a α -open cover of C. Let $\{x_i: 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ be such that $C \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n \{\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} \mathbf{f}^{-1}(N_x_i):$ $1 \leq i \leq n\}$, because X is C- α -compact space. Thus by the α -continuity of $\mathbf{f}, Y \sim \bigcup_{i=1}^n \{\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha}(N_{x_i}): 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ is a α -neighborhood of p disjoint from Y. Hence C is closed, so α -continuous function \mathbf{f} from C- α -compact space X to a α -Hausdorff space Y is closed.

4 Study of functionally compact spaces and C- α -compact spaces

A Hausdorff space X is said to be a functionally compact space if for every open filter base \mathcal{U} in X, the intersection A of the elements of \mathcal{U} is equal to the intersection of the closure of the elements of \mathcal{U} , then \mathcal{U} is a base for the neighbourhood of A.

Theorem 6. Every C- α -compact space is functionally compact.

Proof: Let \mathcal{U} be an α -open filter base in the C- α -compact space X. Let $A = \cap (U : U \in \mathcal{U})$ = $\cap (\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} U : U \in \mathcal{U})$. Let G be an α -open set containing A. Then $\cap (\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} U : U \in \mathcal{U})$ is a subset of G, that is, $\cap (X \sim \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} U : U \in \mathcal{U})$. Now $X \sim G$ is a α -closed subset of the C- α -compact space X. Therefore the α -open cover $(X \sim \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} U : U \in \mathcal{U})$ of $X \sim G$ has a finite subfamily, say $(X \sim \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} U_i : 1 \leq i \leq n)$ such that $X \sim G \subset \cup (\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} (X \sim \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} U_i) : 1 \leq i \leq n) \subset (X \sim \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} U_i : 1$ $\leq i \leq n$), that is, $\cap (U_i : 1 \leq i \leq n) \subset G$. Since \mathcal{U} is a filter base there exists a $U \in \mathcal{U}$ such that $U \subset \cap (U_i : 1 \leq i \leq n)$ and hence $U \subset G$ and the space X is functionally compact.

Theorem 7. A α -Hausdorff space X is functionally compact iff for every α -regular closed subset C of X and α -open cover \mathcal{B} of $X \sim C$ and a open-neighborhood U of C, there exists a finite collection $\{B_{x_i} \in \mathcal{B}: 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ such that $X = U \cup [\bigcup_{i=1}^n \{cl_\alpha B_{x_i}: 1 \leq i \leq n\}].$

Proof: For each $x \in X \sim C$, since C is α -regular closed, there exists an α -open set A_x such that $\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha}A_x \subset X \sim C$. Also there exists a $B_x \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $x \in B_x$. Let $G_x = A_x \cap B_x$. Then G_x is an α -open set such that $x \in G_x$, $\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha}G_x \subset X \sim C$ and there exists a $B_x \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $G_x \subset B_x$. Also $X \sim C = \bigcup \{G_x : x \in X \sim C\} = \bigcup \{\operatorname{int}_{\alpha} \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} G_x : x \in X \sim C\} = \bigcup \{\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} G_x : x \in X \sim C\} = \bigcup \{\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} G_x : x \in X \sim C\} = \bigcup \{\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} G_x : x \in X \sim C\} = \bigcup \{\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} G_x : x \in X \sim C\} = \bigcup \{\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} G_x : x \in X \sim C\} = \bigcup \{\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} G_x : x \in X \sim C\} = \bigcup \{\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} G_x : x \in X \sim C\} = \bigcup \{\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} G_x : x \in X \sim C\} = \bigcup \{\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} G_x : x \in X \sim C\}$. Suppose, if possible, that no finite collection of \mathcal{G} is such that the α -closure of its members cover $X \sim U$. Now for any finite collection $\{G_{x_i} : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ of $\mathcal{G}, \cap \{X \sim \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} G_x : x \in X \sim C\}$. Now \mathcal{V} is an α -open filter base such that $\cap \{V : V \in \mathcal{V}\} = \cap \{X \sim \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} G_x : x \in X \sim C\} = X \sim \bigcap \{\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} G_x : x \in X \sim C\} = C$ and $\cap \{\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} V : V \in \mathcal{V}\} = \cap \{\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} (X \sim \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} G_x) : x \in X \sim C\} = \cap \{X \sim \operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} G_x) : x \in X \sim C\} = X \sim \bigcup \{\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} G_x) : x \in X \sim C\}$ = C. But there exists no $V \in \mathcal{V}$ such that $C \subset V \subset U$ and this is a contradiction to the fact that X is functionally compact. Hence there exists a finite collection $\{G_{x_i} : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ and hence $\{B_{x_i} : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ such that $X = U \cup [\bigcup_{i=1}^n \{\operatorname{cl}_{\alpha} B_{x_i} : 1 \leq i \leq n\}]$.

Conversely; Let \mathcal{U} be an α -open filter base such that $A = \cap \{U : U \in \mathcal{U}\} = \cap \{cl_{\alpha}U : U \in \mathcal{U}\}$. Let G be an α -open set containing A. Now for each $x \in X \sim A$, there exists a $U \in \mathcal{U}$ such that $x \notin cl_{\alpha}U$. Now $x \in X \sim cl_{\alpha}U$ and $cl_{\alpha}(X \sim cl_{\alpha}U) \cap A = \phi$, because $A \subset U$ for each $U \in \mathcal{U}$. Therefore, A is a α -regular closed set. $\{X \sim cl_{\alpha}U : U \in \mathcal{U}\}$ is an α -open cover of $X \sim A$. Therefore there exists a finite collection $\{X \sim cl_{\alpha}U : U \in \mathcal{U}\}$ of $\{X \sim cl_{\alpha}U : U \in \mathcal{U}\}$ such that $X = G \cup [\cup \{cl_{\alpha}(X \sim cl_{\alpha}U_i) : 1 \leq i \leq n\}]$. Thus $X \sim G \subset \cup \{cl_{\alpha}(X \sim cl_{\alpha}U_i) : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$, that is, $\cup \{int_{\alpha} cl_{\alpha} U_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \subset G$, that is, $\cup \{U_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \subset G$. Since \mathcal{U} is an α -open filter base, there exists a $U \in \mathcal{U}$ such that $U \subset \{U_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ and hence $U \subset G$. Thus X is functionally compact.

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