

restricting the boundary points α_1, α_3 further than requiring them to belong to $[a, \alpha_2], [\alpha_2, b]$, respectively.

Conditions are not imposed on $a_{11}(x), a_{nn}(x)$. If these functions are identically zero over (α_1, α_3) Theorem 2 follows for weaker restrictions than (C), (D). For the $a_{1f}(x), a_{ne}(x), f=2, \dots, n, e=1, \dots, n-1$, it is sufficient to require that the positive functions be nonnegative, the negative functions be nonpositive and $a_{1n}(\alpha_2), a_{n1}(\alpha_2) > 0$.

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A MOORE SPACE ON WHICH EVERY REAL-VALUED CONTINUOUS FUNCTION IS CONSTANT

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F. B. Jones [2] recently gave an example of a Moore space Λ_∞ in which there exists a point x such that Λ_∞ is not completely regular at x . It is easy to modify the construction used by Jones so as to obtain a Moore space A in which there exist distinct points a and b such that for every real-valued continuous function f on A , $f(a) = f(b)$. Upon applying Urysohn's process of condensation of the singularities of the space A [4], in a manner similar to that used by Hewitt [1], there results a Moore space X on which every real-valued continuous function is constant.

Throughout this paper, J denotes the set of positive integers. A sequence is a function on J , and if f is a sequence and $n \in J$, then f_n denotes $f(n)$.

By a Moore space is meant a topological space X whose topology has a basis consisting of sets termed *regions*, satisfying the following condition (axiom 1₃, that is, parts 1, 2, and 3 of axiom 1, of [3]): There exists a sequence G such that (1) if $n \in J$, G_n is a collection of regions covering X , (2) if $n \in J$, $G_{n+1} \subset G_n$, and (3) if r is a region, $x \in r$, and $y \in r$, then there exists a positive integer n such that if $g \in G_n$ and $x \in g$, then $\bar{g} \subset (r - \{x\}) \cup \{y\}$. The following characterization of a Moore space will be used in this paper: X is a Moore space if and only if X is a regular Hausdorff space for which there exists a sequence G of open coverings of X such that if U is an open set and

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$p \in U$, there exists a positive integer n such that if $g \in G_n$ and $p \in g$, then $g \subset U$ [5].

1. **Construction of the space A .** Jones, in his construction of the space Λ_∞ , made use of a certain Moore space Λ , an infinite sequence $\Lambda_1, \Lambda_2, \Lambda_3, \dots$ of disjoint spaces, each congruent with Λ , and an ideal point p [2]. Adjacent terms of the sequence are pieced together along their boundaries in a certain way. The space A is to be constructed by using a doubly infinite sequence $\dots, \Lambda_{-2}, \Lambda_{-1}, \Lambda_0, \Lambda_1, \Lambda_2, \dots$ of disjoint spaces, each congruent with Λ , and two ideal points, a and b . Adjacent terms of the sequence are pieced together along their boundaries as in the construction of Λ_∞ . Neighborhoods of a are defined as those for p are in the case of Λ_∞ , and neighborhoods of b are defined in an obvious manner. A is a Moore space of cardinal c , and a slight modification of Jones' proof that Λ_∞ is not completely regular at p shows that if f is a continuous real-valued function on A , then $f(a) = f(b)$.

2. **Construction of the space X .** Now there will be constructed a Moore space X on which every real-valued continuous function is constant. Consider a collection of c disjoint spaces, each homeomorphic with the space A . This collection may be well-ordered as an order of ordinal number Δ , the initial ordinal of the cardinal c ; let $A^1, A^2, A^3, \dots, A^\lambda, \dots, \lambda < \Delta$, be one such order. If $\lambda < \Delta$, then A^λ has cardinal c and may be well-ordered as an order of ordinal number Δ ; let $x_1^\lambda, x_2^\lambda, x_3^\lambda, \dots, x_\beta^\lambda, \dots, \beta < \Delta$, be one such order where x_1^λ is the point a of the space A^λ and x_2^λ is the point b of A^λ .

Let Q be the set of all ordered quadruples $(\lambda_1, \beta_1; \lambda_2, \beta_2)$ where each of $\lambda_1, \beta_1, \lambda_2$, and β_2 is an ordinal number less than Δ , and either $\lambda_1 < \lambda_2$, or $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2$ and $\beta_1 < \beta_2$. It can be shown by transfinite induction that there exists a one-to-one function Γ with domain Q and range the set of ordinals less than Δ such that (1) $\Gamma(1, 1; 1, 2) = 1$ and $\Gamma(\lambda_1, \beta_1; \lambda_2, \beta_2) > \lambda_2$ for all elements of Q other than $(1, 1; 1, 2)$. Let ϕ be a function such that

$$\phi[x_1^{\Gamma(\lambda_1, \beta_1; \lambda_2, \beta_2)}] = x_{\beta_1}^{\lambda_1} \quad \text{and} \quad \phi[x_2^{\Gamma(\lambda_1, \beta_1; \lambda_2, \beta_2)}] = x_{\beta_2}^{\lambda_2}.$$

The function ϕ maps $x_1^\lambda, 1 < \lambda < \Delta$, into A^γ for some γ less than λ , and similarly for x_2^λ .

For each ordinal λ and each ordinal $\beta, \lambda < \Delta$ and $2 < \beta < \Delta$, x_β^λ is an *initial point*; x_1^1 and x_2^1 are also initial points.

Certain sequences of points of $\bigcup_{\gamma < \Delta} A^\gamma$ are defined to be *chains*. C is a chain if and only if C is a sequence, $x_{\beta_1}^{\lambda_1}, x_{\beta_2}^{\lambda_2}, x_{\beta_3}^{\lambda_3}, \dots$, such that

$\lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < \lambda_3 < \dots < \Delta$, $x_{\beta_1}^{\lambda_1}$ is an initial point, and if $n \in J$, then $\phi(x_{\beta_{n+1}}^{\lambda_{n+1}}) = x_{\beta_n}^{\lambda_n}$. Each chain contains one and only one initial point, and if x_{β}^{λ} is an initial point, then C_{β}^{λ} is the union of all chains with x_{β}^{λ} as an initial point. If x_{β}^{λ} and x_{α}^{μ} are two distinct initial points, then C_{β}^{λ} and C_{α}^{μ} are disjoint. Further, if i is either 1 or 2, and $1 < \lambda < \Delta$, then there is only one set C_{α}^{μ} such that x_i^{λ} belongs to a chain of C_{α}^{μ} . If x_{β}^{λ} belongs to a chain of C_{α}^{μ} , then x_{β}^{λ} is a *co-ordinate* of C_{α}^{μ} . Let X be the collection of all sets C_{β}^{λ} for $\lambda < \Delta$ and $\beta < \Delta$.

Now a topology for X will be constructed so that the resulting space is a Moore space. Suppose that λ is an ordinal, $\lambda < \Delta$. The space A^{λ} is a Moore space. Let G^{λ} be a sequence of collections of regions of the space A^{λ} satisfying axiom 1_3 relative to A^{λ} . Suppose now that β is an ordinal, $\beta < \Delta$. Let g_{β}^{λ} be a sequence of regions such that (1) if $n \in J$, then $x_n^{\beta} \in g_{\beta n}^{\lambda}$ and $g_{\beta n}^{\lambda} \in G_n^{\lambda}$, (2) if $n \in J$, then $(g_{\beta(n+1)}^{\lambda})^{-} \subset g_{\beta n}^{\lambda}$, and (3) if $2 < \beta$, then $x_1^{\lambda} \notin (g_{\beta 1}^{\lambda})^{-}$ and $x_2^{\lambda} \notin (g_{\beta 2}^{\lambda})^{-}$. The sequences g_1^{λ} and g_2^{λ} are to satisfy the additional condition that

$$(g_{11}^{\lambda})^{-} \cap (g_{21}^{\lambda})^{-} = \emptyset.$$

Regions for X will now be defined. Suppose that $x \in X$. There exist an ordinal λ , $\lambda < \Delta$, and an ordinal β , $\beta < \Delta$, such that $x = C_{\beta}^{\lambda}$. Suppose that $n \in J$. $W_{\beta n}^{\lambda_0}$ is the set of all C_{α}^{λ} which have initial points in $g_{\beta n}^{\lambda}$. $W_{\beta n}^{\lambda_1}$ is defined as follows: (a) If both $x_1^{\lambda+1}$ and $x_2^{\lambda+1}$ are co-ordinates of elements of $W_{\beta n}^{\lambda_0}$, then $W_{\beta n}^{\lambda_1}$ is the set of all $C_{\alpha}^{\lambda+1}$ with initial points in $(g_{1n}^{\lambda+1} \cup g_{2n}^{\lambda+1})$. (b) If $x_i^{\lambda+1}$ is a co-ordinate of an element of $W_{\beta n}^{\lambda_0}$ but $x_j^{\lambda+1}$ is not a co-ordinate of any element of $W_{\beta n}^{\lambda_0}$, $i, j = 1$ or 2 , $i \neq j$, then $W_{\beta n}^{\lambda_1}$ is the set of all $C_{\alpha}^{\lambda+1}$ with initial point in $g_{in}^{\lambda+1}$. (c) If neither $x_1^{\lambda+1}$ nor $x_2^{\lambda+1}$ is a co-ordinate of any element of $W_{\beta n}^{\lambda_0}$, then $W_{\beta n}^{\lambda_1} = \emptyset$.

Suppose that ν is an ordinal, $\lambda + \nu < \Delta$, and for each ordinal μ , $\mu < \nu$, $W_{\beta n}^{\lambda_{\mu}}$ has been defined. Let $Y_{\beta n}^{\lambda_{\nu}} = \bigcup_{\mu < \nu} W_{\beta n}^{\lambda_{\mu}}$. Then $W_{\beta n}^{\lambda_{\nu}}$ is defined as follows: (a) If both $x_1^{\lambda+\nu}$ and $x_2^{\lambda+\nu}$ are co-ordinates of elements of $Y_{\beta n}^{\lambda_{\nu}}$, then $W_{\beta n}^{\lambda_{\nu}}$ is the set of all $C_{\alpha}^{\lambda+\nu}$ with initial point in the set $(g_{1n}^{\lambda+\nu} \cup g_{2n}^{\lambda+\nu})$. (b) If $x_i^{\lambda+\nu}$ is a co-ordinate of an element of $Y_{\beta n}^{\lambda_{\nu}}$ but $x_j^{\lambda+\nu}$ is not a co-ordinate of any element of $Y_{\beta n}^{\lambda_{\nu}}$, $i, j = 1$ or 2 , $i \neq j$, then $W_{\beta n}^{\lambda_{\nu}}$ is the set of all $C_{\alpha}^{\lambda+\nu}$ with initial point in $g_{in}^{\lambda+\nu}$. (c) If neither $x_1^{\lambda+\nu}$ nor $x_2^{\lambda+\nu}$ is a co-ordinate of any element of $Y_{\beta n}^{\lambda_{\nu}}$, then $W_{\beta n}^{\lambda_{\nu}} = \emptyset$.

Let $\mathfrak{W}_{\beta n}^{\lambda} = \bigcup_{0 \leq \mu < \Delta} W_{\beta n}^{\lambda_{\mu}}$. R is a region in X if and only if for some positive integer n and some element C_{β}^{λ} of X , R is $\mathfrak{W}_{\beta n}^{\lambda}$.

By making minor modifications in Hewitt's proof [1], one may show that X is a regular Hausdorff space.

Suppose that $n \in J$; let \mathfrak{X}_n be the set of all $\mathfrak{W}_{\beta n}^{\lambda}$ for all C_{β}^{λ} belonging to X . It is clear that if $n \in J$, \mathfrak{X}_n is an open cover of X . It will now be shown that if \mathfrak{U} is a region in X and $p \in \mathfrak{U}$, then there exists a

positive integer n such that if $h \in \mathfrak{C}_n$ and $p \in h$, then $h \subset \mathfrak{U}$. From this it follows that X is a Moore space.

Suppose that \mathfrak{U} is a region; for some λ, β , and positive integer n , $\mathfrak{U} = \mathfrak{W}_{\beta n}^\lambda$. Suppose that $p \in \mathfrak{U}$; for some μ and α , with $\lambda \leq \mu$, $p = C_\alpha^\mu$. There are two cases:

(1) $\lambda = \mu$. If $\lambda > 1$, then $\alpha > 2$ and there exists a positive integer m such that if $j \in J$ and $j > m$, then $x_\alpha^\mu \notin (g_{1j}^\lambda \cup g_{2j}^\lambda)$. If $\lambda = 1$, take m to be 1. Now suppose that $k \in J$ and $k > m$. Suppose further that $h \in \mathfrak{C}_k$ and $C_\alpha^\lambda \in h$. Then for some γ , $h = \mathfrak{W}_{\gamma k}^\lambda$. For clearly C_α^λ does not belong to any $\mathfrak{W}_{\sigma k}^\lambda$ for $\sigma > \lambda$. If there exists an ordinal σ , $\sigma < \lambda$, and an ordinal ϵ such that $C_\alpha^\lambda \in \mathfrak{W}_{\sigma k}^\epsilon$, then one of x_1^λ and x_2^λ is a co-ordinate of an element of $\mathfrak{W}_{\sigma k}^\epsilon$, and $x_\alpha^\lambda \in (g_{1k}^\lambda \cup g_{2k}^\lambda)$. However, as $k > m$, $x_\alpha^\lambda \notin (g_{1k}^\lambda \cup g_{2k}^\lambda)$.

Since $C_\alpha^\lambda \in \mathfrak{W}_{\beta n}^\lambda$, then $x_\alpha^\lambda \in g_{\beta n}^\lambda$. As A^λ is a Moore space, there exists a positive integer q such that if $g \in G_q^\lambda$ and $x_\alpha^\lambda \in g$, then $g \subset g_{\beta n}^\lambda$; clearly q may be taken so that $q > m$. Now suppose that $h \in \mathfrak{C}_q$ and $C_\alpha^\lambda \in h$. Then as $q > m$, for some γ , $h = \mathfrak{W}_{\gamma q}^\lambda$; since $x_\alpha^\lambda \in g_{\gamma q}^\lambda$, then $g_{\gamma q}^\lambda \subset g_{\beta n}^\lambda$ and hence $\mathfrak{W}_{\gamma q}^\lambda \subset \mathfrak{W}_{\beta n}^\lambda$. Thus if $h \in \mathfrak{C}_n$ and $C_\alpha^\lambda \in h$, then $h \subset \mathfrak{U}$.

(2) $\lambda < \mu$. In this case, $\alpha > 2$. Since $C_\alpha^\mu \in \mathfrak{W}_{\beta n}^\lambda$, then one of x_1^μ and x_2^μ is a co-ordinate of an element of $\mathfrak{W}_{\beta n}^\lambda$, and x_α^μ belongs to one of g_{1n}^μ and g_{2n}^μ . Suppose $x_\alpha^\mu \in g_{1n}^\mu$, $i = 1$ or 2 .

There exists a positive integer m such that if $j \in J$ and $j > m$, then $x_\alpha^\mu \notin (g_{1j}^\mu \cup g_{2j}^\mu)$. Then, as in case (1), if $k \in J$, $k > m$, $h \in \mathfrak{C}_k$, and $C_\alpha^\mu \in h$, then for some γ , $h = \mathfrak{W}_{\gamma k}^\mu$. As A^μ is a Moore space, there exists a positive integer q such that if $g \in G_q^\mu$ and $x_\alpha^\mu \in g$, then $g \subset g_{1n}^\mu$; clearly q may be taken so that $q > m$. Now suppose that $h \in \mathfrak{C}_q$ and $C_\alpha^\mu \in h$. As $q > m$, for some γ , $h = \mathfrak{W}_{\gamma q}^\mu$; since $x_\alpha^\mu \in g_{\gamma q}^\mu$, then $g_{\gamma q}^\mu \subset g_{1n}^\mu$ and therefore $\mathfrak{W}_{\gamma q}^\mu \subset \mathfrak{W}_{\beta n}^\lambda$. Thus if $h \in \mathfrak{C}_q$ and $C_\alpha^\mu \in h$, then $h \subset \mathfrak{U}$.

The space X is a Moore space; that every real-valued continuous function on X is constant may be proved exactly as in Hewitt [1].

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