

## 17. A Condition of Convergent Filters

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The object of this note is to give definitions of convergent filter which satisfy or don't satisfy a condition [1].

A family  $\mathcal{F}$  of subsets of a set is said to be a *filter* if it possesses the following properties:

- (1) The void set  $\phi$  is not in  $\mathcal{F}$ ,
- (2) If  $A \supseteq B$  and  $B \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ ,
- (3) If  $A, B \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $A \cap B \in \mathcal{F}$ .

If  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{F}'$  are filters of subsets of a set, we say that  $\mathcal{F}$  is finer than  $\mathcal{F}'$  if  $\mathcal{F} \supseteq \mathcal{F}'$ . A filter is called an *ultrafilter* if it is not fined by any filter but itself. The collection of all subsets of a topological space  $X$  which contain a neighborhood of a point  $p$  forms a filter  $\mathcal{N}(p)$ . In general, a filter  $\mathcal{F}$  of subsets of a topological space  $X$  converges to a point  $p \in X$ , if every neighborhood of  $p$  belong to  $\mathcal{F}$ . Thus the filter  $\mathcal{F}$  converges to  $p$  if and only if  $\mathcal{F}$  is finer than  $\mathcal{N}(p)$  (see [2]).

**Lemma.** *Let  $x \in E$ , then the collection  $\hat{x}$  of all subsets of  $X$  which contain a point  $x$  is an ultrafilter on  $E$ .*

**Definition.** If a filter  $\mathcal{F}$  is not convergent to  $x$ , then there exists  $V \subseteq E$ ,  $x \in V$ , and  $V \notin \mathcal{F}$  such that for each  $y \in V$ ,  $\mathcal{G}$  converging to  $y$  includes  $V$ . When, we shall call that a set or a topological space  $E$  satisfies the condition (c).

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $E$  be a topological space, we define a filter  $\mathcal{F}$  converge to  $x$  as  $\mathcal{F} \supseteq \mathcal{N}(x)$ . i.e.  $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow x \iff \mathcal{F} \supseteq \mathcal{N}(x)$ , then the topological space  $E$  satisfies the condition (c). Moreover the inverse is true.*

**Proof.** Now we suppose  $\mathcal{F} \not\rightarrow x$  and  $\mathcal{F} \not\supseteq \mathcal{N}(x)$ , then there exists an open set  $V \in \mathcal{N}(x)$  in  $E$ ,  $V \notin \mathcal{F}$ , and  $x \in V$ . Let  $\mathcal{G} \supseteq \mathcal{N}(y)$  for each  $y \in V$ , of course,  $V$  is a neighborhood of  $y$ , therefore  $V$  is contained in  $\mathcal{G}$ .

Conversely, we shall prove that if  $E$  satisfies the condition (c) then  $\mathcal{F} \supseteq \mathcal{N}(x)$  if and only if  $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow x$ . Let  $\mathcal{F} \not\rightarrow x$ , then there exists a set  $V \subseteq E$ ,  $x \in V$ ,  $V \notin \mathcal{F}$  such that  $V \in \mathcal{N}(x)$ . Hence  $\mathcal{F} \not\supseteq \mathcal{N}(x)$ . On the other hand, let  $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow x$ ,  $V$  be a open set in  $\mathcal{N}(x)$  then for each  $y \in V$  and  $\mathcal{G} \rightarrow y$  we have  $V \in \mathcal{G}$ . In particular,  $x \in V$ ,  $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow x$  so that  $V \in \mathcal{F}$ . Thus for each  $V' \in \mathcal{N}(x)$ , there exists an open set  $V$  such that  $V' \supseteq V$ ,  $V \in \mathcal{F}$ . By the above, the open set  $V \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $V' \in \mathcal{F}$  because  $\mathcal{F}$  is a filter.

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $X, Y$  be topological spaces, and  $\mathcal{F}$  a filter of*