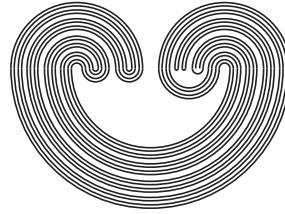


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## ON THE POSITION OF CEDER SPACE AND McAULEY SPACE

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**ABSTRACT.** We give a simple proof that McAuley space and Ceder space have a  $\sigma$ -closure-preserving base, answering a problem of Stephen Watson, and show that they are non-Lašnev, D-spaces in the sense of Keiô Nagami.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

All spaces are assumed to be regular  $T_1$ -spaces.  $\mathbb{N}$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}$  denote all natural numbers, rational numbers, real numbers, respectively. For a space  $X$ , let us denote the topology by  $\tau(X)$  or  $\tau$ . For a family  $\mathcal{U}$  of subsets of a space  $X$  and for a subset  $A$  of  $X$ , we write

$$S(A, \mathcal{U}) = \bigcup \{U \in \mathcal{U} \mid U \cap A \neq \emptyset\},$$

and for a point  $p \in X$ , we write

$$C(p, \mathcal{U}) = \bigcap \{U \in \mathcal{U} \mid p \in U\}.$$

For a subset  $A$  of  $X$ , we write the restriction of  $\mathcal{U}$  to  $A$  by  $\mathcal{U}|A$ . In 1953, Jun-iti Nagata stated in [3] that Ceder space, defined below, has a  $\sigma$ -closure-preserving base. But he did not give a direct proof. In 1961, Jack G. Ceder defined  $M_1$ -spaces as a generalization of metric spaces, and he gave a direct proof that Ceder space is an  $M_1$ -space, i.e., that it has a  $\sigma$ -closure-preserving base [1]. But his proof is very complicated. So, in 1992, Stephen Watson showed that

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both Ceder space and McAuley space, defined below, are obtained as special resolutions of the half plane at each point in  $\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}$  into a 2-point space by suitable continuous mappings [6, Lemma 3.3.17] and proposed the problem to find a simple proof of Ceder's result [6, Problem 3.3.18].

In this paper, we give an answer to this problem. The essential point of our proof is based on the fact that if  $\mathcal{U}$  is a locally finite family of subsets of a space  $X$ , then the family  $\{\bigcup \mathcal{U}_0 \mid \mathcal{U}_0 \subset \mathcal{U}\}$  is closure-preserving in  $X$ , and we use the fact that  $\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}$  has a *uniformly approaching anti-cover* in both McAuley space and Ceder space. This concept is due to Keiô Nagami [4].

Finally, we determine the position of both spaces in the sequence from metric spaces through  $M_1$ -spaces; that is, we show that they are D-space in the sense of Nagami [4], which is weaker than Lašnev spaces.

As for  $M_1$ -spaces and other related terms, refer to Gary Gruenhage [2].

## 2. MCAULEY SPACE IS AN $M_1$ -SPACE

We state the topology of two spaces known already and called here McAuley space and Ceder space.

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $X = X_0 \cup X_1$ , where

$$X_0 = \{(x, 0) \mid x \in \mathbb{R}\}, \quad X_1 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid y > 0\}.$$

We topologize  $X$  by defining neighborhood bases at each point  $p \in X$  in the following two ways: First, (1) if  $p = (x, y) \in X_1$ , then  $p$  has a usual neighborhood base, and (2) if  $p = (x, 0) \in X_0$ , then  $p$  has a neighborhood base  $\{M(p, 1/n) \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ , where

$$M\left(p, \frac{1}{n}\right) = \{p\} \cup \left\{ (x', y') \in X \mid y' < \frac{1}{n} |x' - x| < \frac{1}{n^2} \right\}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Then the space  $X$ , thus defined, is called *McAuley space*.

Second, if (2)  $p = (x, 0)$  has a neighborhood base  $\{C(p, 1/n) \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ , where

$$C\left(p, \frac{1}{n}\right) = \{p\} \cup \left\{ (x', y') \in X \mid y' < n - \sqrt{n^2 - (x' - x)^2}, |x' - p| < \frac{1}{n} \right\},$$

then we call the space  $X$ , thus defined, *Ceder space*.

We give a geometric description of these neighborhood bases.  $M(p, 1/n)$  is the “bow-tie” centered at  $p$  which is the union of two triangles, one with vertices  $p = (x, 0)$ ,  $(x + 1/n, 0)$  and  $(x + 1/n, 1/n^2)$ , the other with vertices  $p$ ,  $(x - 1/n, 0)$ , and  $(x - 1/n, 1/n^2)$ . Except for the point  $p$  itself, the top edges of the triangles are not included in  $M(p, 1/n)$ , and neither are the right and left edges.  $C(p, 1/n)$  is similar, except the two “triangles” have a top edge which is an arc of the circle of radius  $n$  in the upper half plane which is tangent to the  $x$ -axis at  $p$ .

**Definition 2.2** ([4]). Let  $X$  be a space and  $F$  a closed subset of  $X$ . An open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $X \setminus F$  is called a *uniformly approaching anti-cover* of  $F$  in  $X$  if for each open subset  $O$  of  $X$ ,

$$\overline{S(X \setminus O, \mathcal{U})} \cap F \cap O = \emptyset.$$

It is easy to see that an open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  is a uniformly approaching anti-cover of  $F$  in  $X$  if and only if for each open set  $O$  of  $X$  there exists an open set  $O'$  of  $X$  such that

$$O' \cap F = O \cap F, \quad S(O', \mathcal{U}) \subset O,$$

or there exists a subfamily  $\mathcal{U}_0 \subset \mathcal{U}$  such that

$$V = (O \cap F) \cup \left( \bigcup \mathcal{U}_0 \right)$$

is an open neighborhood of  $O \cap F$  in  $X$  such that  $V \subset O$ .

And it is also easy to see that  $\mathcal{U}$  is a uniformly approaching anti-cover of  $F$  in  $X$  if and only if for each point  $p \in F$  and each basic neighborhood  $O$  of  $p$  in  $X$ , the following holds true:

$$\overline{S(X \setminus O, \mathcal{U})} \cap F \cap O = \emptyset.$$

We recall Nagami’s discussion [4] that every closed subset has a uniformly approaching anti-cover, which we refer to here as the Fundamental Method.

**Fundamental Method** ([4]). Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $F$  be a closed subset of  $X$ . For each  $p \notin F$ , let

$$U(p) = B \left( p, \frac{r(p)}{3} \right),$$

where  $r(p) = d(p, F)$  and  $B(p, \varepsilon)$  is an open ball with center and radius  $\varepsilon$ . Then  $\mathcal{U} = \{U(p) \mid p \in X \setminus F\}$  is an open cover of  $X \setminus F$ . To see that  $\mathcal{U}$  is uniformly approaching, let  $O$  be an open set of  $X$ . Let

$$V = \{p \in O \mid d(p, F \cap O) < d(p, X \setminus O)\}.$$

Then  $V$  is an open set of  $X$  such that  $V \cap F = O \cap F \subset V$  and

$$S(X \setminus O, \mathcal{U}) \cap V = \emptyset.$$

**Proposition 2.3.** *In McAuley space  $X$ ,  $X_0$  has a uniformly approaching anti-cover.*

*Proof:* Let  $\tau_{met}$  be the topology generated by the usual metric  $d$  on the Euclidean plane  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Then  $\tau_{met}$  is the subtopology of the topology  $\tau$  of  $X$  and the following are easy to see.

- (1)  $X_0$  is a closed subset of  $(X, \tau_{met})$ ;
- (2)  $\tau_{met}|_{X_0} = \tau|_{X_0}$  and  $\tau_{met}|_{(X \setminus X_0)} = \tau|_{(X \setminus X_0)}$ .

Since  $(X, \tau_{met})$  is a metric space,  $X_0$  has a uniformly approaching anti-cover  $\mathcal{U}$  in  $(X, \tau_{met})$ , constructed by the Fundamental Method stated above. We show that  $\mathcal{U}$  is also a uniformly approaching anti-cover of  $X_0$  in  $(X, \tau)$ . To this end, it suffices to show that for each  $M(p, 1/k)$ , there exists  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $k < m$  and

$$M\left(p, \frac{1}{m}\right) \cap S\left(X \setminus M\left(p, \frac{1}{k}\right), \mathcal{U}\right) = \emptyset.$$

Without loss of generality, we can assume  $p = (0, 0)$ . Obviously,

$$G = \left\{ (x, y) \in X \mid y < \frac{1}{k}|x| \right\} = M\left(p, \frac{1}{k}\right) \setminus \{p\}$$

is open in  $(X, \tau_{met})$ . Let

$$W = \left\{ (x, y) \in X \mid y < \frac{1}{k + \sqrt{k^2 + 1}}|x|, y + |x| < \frac{1}{k} \right\}.$$

Then  $W$  is an open subset of  $X$  such that

$$W = \{p \in G \mid d(p, X_0) < d(p, X \setminus G)\}.$$

By the Fundamental Method, we have

$$S(X \setminus G, \mathcal{U}) \cap W = \emptyset.$$

Take  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $m > k + \sqrt{k^2 + 1}$ . Then  $M(p, 1/m)$  is an open neighborhood of  $p$  in  $X$  such that

$$M\left(X \setminus M\left(p, \frac{1}{k}\right), \mathcal{U}\right) \cap M\left(p, \frac{1}{m}\right) = \emptyset.$$

Hence,  $\mathcal{U}$  is a uniformly approaching anti-cover of  $X_0$  in  $X$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.4.** *In Ceder space  $X$ ,  $X_0$  has a uniformly approaching anti-cover.*

*Proof:* The discussion is almost the same as in the case of McAuley space. Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be the same family as in the above proof. Then we show that  $\mathcal{U}$  is a uniformly approaching anti-cover of  $X_0$  in this space  $X$ . To see it, it suffices to show that for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exists  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$C\left(p, \frac{1}{m}\right) \subset W \cup \{p\},$$

where

$$W = \left\{ p \in X \mid d(p, X_0) < d(p, X \setminus C\left(p, \frac{1}{n}\right)) \right\}.$$

Without loss of generality, we can show the case when  $n = 1$  and  $p = (0, 0)$ . By simple calculation,  $W$  coincides with

$$\{(x, y) \in X \mid 4y < x^2, \quad y + |x| < 1\}.$$

Then for a sufficiently large  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , the following holds true.

$$C\left(p, \frac{1}{m}\right) \subset W \cup \{p\}.$$

By the Fundamental Method, we have

$$S\left(X \setminus C\left(p, \frac{1}{n}\right), \mathcal{V}\right) \cap C\left(p, \frac{1}{m}\right) = \emptyset.$$

This completes the proof.  $\square$

The proof of Theorem 2.5 below gives an answer to the problem proposed by Watson.

**Problem 2.5** ([6, Problem 3.3.18]). Find a simple proof of the next theorem.

An essential point in the next proof is that if  $\mathcal{U}$  is a locally finite cover of a space  $X$ , then  $\{\bigcup \mathcal{U}_0 \mid \mathcal{U}_0 \subset \mathcal{U}\}$  is closure-preserving in  $X$ .

**Theorem 2.6** (Nagata [3], Ceder [1]). *McAuley space and Ceder space are  $M_1$ -spaces.*

*Proof:* Since  $X_1$  is a metrizable open subspace, there exists a  $\sigma$ -closure-preserving family  $\mathcal{U}_0$  (in  $X$ ) of open subsets of  $X$  forming a neighborhood base at each point of  $X_1$  in  $X$ . By Proposition 2.3, there exists a uniformly approaching anti-cover  $\mathcal{V}$  of  $X_0$  in  $X$ . Without loss of generality, we can assume that  $\mathcal{V}$  is locally finite in  $X_1$ . Let  $(a, b) \in \mathbb{Q}^2$ ,  $a < b$  be arbitrary. Let  $\Delta(a, b)$  be the totality of subfamilies  $\mathcal{V}(\delta)$  of  $\mathcal{V}$  such that

$$U(\delta) = ((a, b) \times \{0\}) \cup \left( \bigcup \mathcal{V}(\delta) \right)$$

is an open neighborhood of  $(a, b) \times \{0\}$  in  $X$  such that

$$\overline{U(\delta)} \subset \pi^{-1}[a, b],$$

where  $\pi : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is the projection. Then

$$\mathcal{V}(a, b) = \{U(\delta) \mid \mathcal{V}(\delta) \in \Delta(a, b)\}$$

is a closure-preserving family of open subsets of  $X$ . It is easy to see that

$$\mathcal{W} = \bigcup \{\mathcal{V}(a, b) \mid (a, b) \in \mathbb{Q}^2, a < b\}$$

is a  $\sigma$ -closure-preserving family of open subsets of  $X$  forming a neighborhood base at each point of  $X_0$  in  $X$ . Thus, we have a  $\sigma$ -closure-preserving base  $\mathcal{U} \cup \mathcal{W}$  for  $X$ , proving that  $X$  is an  $M_1$ -space.  $\square$

### 3. THE POSITION OF MCAULEY AND CEDER SPACES

**Definition 3.1** ([4]). A space  $X$  is called a *D-space* if  $X$  is a paracompact  $\sigma$ -space such that each closed subset has a uniformly approaching anti-cover in  $X$ .

The following implications are well known.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Metric space} &\implies \text{Lašnev space} \implies \text{D-space in the} \\ &\text{sense of Nagami [4]} \implies \text{free L-space in the sense of} \\ &\text{Nagami [5]} \implies \text{M}_3\text{-}\mu\text{-space} \implies \text{perfect image of an} \\ &\text{M}_0\text{-space} \implies \text{M}_1\text{-space.} \end{aligned}$$

We give the position of both McAuley space and Ceder space in the above sequence.

**Theorem 3.2.** *McAuley space and Ceder space are non-Laşnev  $D$ -spaces.*

*Proof:* Let  $X$  be McAuley space. Then obviously,  $X$  is a paracompact  $\sigma$ -space. Let  $F$  be a closed subset of  $X$  and let

$$F_0 = X_0 \cap F, \quad F_1 = X_1 \cap F.$$

By Proposition 2.3, there exists a uniformly approaching anti-cover  $\mathcal{V}$  of  $X_0$  in  $X$ . Without loss of generality, we can assume that  $\mathcal{V}$  is locally finite in  $X_1$ . Since  $F$  is a closed subset of  $X$ , for each point  $p = (x, 0) \in X_0 \setminus F_0$ , there exists  $k(x) \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$M\left(p, \frac{1}{k(x)}\right) \cap F = \emptyset.$$

Take  $m(x) \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $m(x) > 3k(x)$  and

$$(3.1) \quad M\left(p, \frac{1}{m(x)}\right) \cap [\mathbb{C}((x + 1/k(x)), k(x)), k(x)] \\ \cup \mathbb{C}((x - 1/k(x)), k(x)), k(x))] = \emptyset,$$

where  $\mathbb{C}(q, r)$ 's are closed balls with center  $q$  and radius  $r$ . Let

$$U(p) = M\left(p, \frac{1}{m(x)}\right), \quad p = (x, 0) \in X_0 \setminus F_0.$$

Then the family

$$\{U(p) \mid p = (x, 0) \in X_0 \setminus F_0\}$$

has the following properties.

CLAIM 1.  $\{U(p) \cap X_0 \mid p = (x, 0) \in X_0 \setminus F_0\}$  is a uniformly approaching anti-cover of  $F_0$  in  $X_0$ .

Since  $m(x) > 3k(x)$ , we have

$$\frac{1}{m(x)} < \frac{1}{3k(x)}, \quad (x, 0) \in X_0 \setminus F_0;$$

then we can use the Fundamental Method to show the next claim.

CLAIM 2.

$$(3.2) \quad U = \bigcup \{U(p) \mid p = (x, 0) \in X_0 \setminus F_0\}$$



is an open set of  $X$  such that

$$U \cap X_0 = X_0 \setminus F_0 \subset U \subset X \setminus F,$$

and if  $O$  is an open set of  $X$  with  $O \cap F_0 \neq \emptyset$ , then

$$\overline{\pi(U \setminus O)} \cap (F_0 \cap O) = \emptyset,$$

where  $\pi : X \rightarrow X_0$  is the projection.

Assume the contrary; then there exists

$$(x_0, 0) \in \overline{\pi(U \setminus O)} \cap (F_0 \cap O).$$

Since  $X_0$  is a Fréchet space, there exists a sequence  $\{(x_n, y_n) \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  of points of  $U \setminus O$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x_0$ . Recalling the definition of  $U$  in (3.2), for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exists  $(x'_n, 0) \in X_0 \setminus F_0$  such that

$$(x_n, y_n) \in U((x'_n, 0)).$$

Since  $O$  is an open neighborhood of  $(x_0, 0)$  in  $X$ , there exists  $l \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$M\left((x_0, 0), \frac{1}{l}\right) \subset O.$$

By (3.1), we can take  $m_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $m \geq m_0$  implies

$$M\left((x'_m, 0), \frac{1}{m(x'_m)}\right) \subset M\left((x_0, 0), \frac{1}{l}\right),$$

which implies  $(x_n, y_n) \in O$ . This contradicts  $(x_n, y_n) \in U \setminus O$  and proves the claim.

Since  $\mathcal{V}$  is uniformly approaching anti-cover of  $X_0$  in  $X$ , there exists an open neighborhood  $U'$  of  $X_0 \setminus F_0$  in  $X$  such that

$$\overline{S(U', \mathcal{V})} \cap X_1 \subset U.$$

Also, by this property, for each  $p = (x, 0) \in X_0 \setminus F_0$ , there exists  $\mathcal{V}(x) \subset \mathcal{V}$  such that

$$V(p) = \left(x - \frac{1}{m(x)}, x + \frac{1}{m(x)}\right) \times \{0\} \cup \left(\bigcup \mathcal{V}(x)\right)$$

is an open neighborhood of  $(x - 1/m(x), x + 1/m(x)) \times \{0\}$  in  $X$  and

$$(3.3) \quad V(p) \subset U' \cap U(p).$$

Note that

$$(3.4) \quad V(p) \subset \pi^{-1} \left( \left( x - \frac{1}{m(x)}, x + \frac{1}{m(x)} \right) \times \{0\} \right),$$

and that  $\{V(p) \mid p = (x, 0) \in X_0 \setminus F_0\}$  is an open cover of  $X_0 \setminus F_0$ .

Since  $X_1$  is a metric space, there exists a uniformly approaching anti-cover  $\mathcal{W}$  of  $F_1$  in  $X_1$ , which is locally finite in  $X_1 \setminus F_1$ . For each  $p \in X_1 \setminus F_1$ , let

$$W(p) = C(p, \mathcal{V}) \cap C(p, \mathcal{W}).$$

Then  $W(p)$  is an open neighborhood of  $p$  in  $X$  such that

$$W(p) \cap F = \emptyset, \quad W(p) \cap X_0 = \emptyset.$$

Thus, we can finally construct an open cover

$$\mathcal{G} = \{V(p) \mid p \in X_0 \setminus F_0\} \cup \{W(p) \mid p \in X_1 \setminus F_1\}$$

of  $X \setminus F$  in  $X$ .

CLAIM 3.  $\mathcal{G}$  is a uniformly approaching anti-cover of  $F$  in  $X$ .

To show it, let  $O$  be an open set of  $X$ . We consider the following two cases.

Case 1.  $O \cap F_0 = \emptyset$ .

Since  $\mathcal{W}$  is a uniformly approaching anti-cover of  $F_1$  in  $X$ , there exists an open set  $O'$  of  $X$  such that

$$O \cap F \subset O', \quad S(O', \mathcal{W}) \subset O \setminus \overline{S(U', \mathcal{V})}.$$

By (3.3), we easily see

$$S(X \setminus O, \mathcal{G}) \cap O' = \emptyset.$$

Case 2.  $O \cap F_0 \neq \emptyset$ .

Since  $\mathcal{W}$  is a uniformly approaching anti-cover of  $F_1$  in  $X$ , there exists an open set  $Q$  of  $X$  such that

$$(3.5) \quad Q \cap F = O \cap F_1 \subset Q \subset S(Q, \mathcal{W}) \subset O \setminus \overline{S(U', \mathcal{V})}.$$

By Claim 2 and then by Claim 1, we can find an open set  $O_0$  of  $X_0$  satisfying

$$(3.6) \quad \begin{aligned} F_0 \subset O_0 \subset O \cap X_0, \quad \overline{\pi(U' \setminus O)} \cap O_0 = \emptyset, \\ S(O_0, \{V(p) \cap X_0 \mid p \in X_0 \setminus F_0\}) \subset (O \cap X_0) \setminus \overline{\pi(U' \setminus O)}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\mathcal{V}$  is uniformly approaching, there exists an open set  $P$  of  $X$  such that

$$(3.7) \quad P \cap X_0 = O_0 \subset P, S(P, \mathcal{V}) \subset O, P \subset \pi^{-1}(O_0).$$

Then by (3.4), we have checked that

$$(3.8) \quad V(p) \cap P \neq \emptyset \iff (V(p) \cap X_0) \cap O_0 \neq \emptyset$$

for each  $p = (x, 0) \in X_0 \setminus F_0$ .

Finally, we show that  $S(P \cup Q, \mathcal{G}) \subset O$ . Let  $V(p)$ ,  $p \in X_0 \setminus F_0$ , be arbitrarily chosen from  $\mathcal{G}$  and suppose  $V(p) \cap (P \cup Q) \neq \emptyset$ . By (3.3) and (3.5), we have  $V(p) \cap Q = \emptyset$ . Therefore,  $V(p) \cap P \neq \emptyset$ . By (3.8),

$$(V(p) \cap X_0) \cap O_0 \neq \emptyset,$$

which, combined with (3.6), implies  $V(p) \cap (U' \setminus O) = \emptyset$ . Therefore, by (3.3), we have  $V(p) \subset O$ .

On the other hand, let  $W(p)$ ,  $p \in X_1 \setminus F_1$ , be arbitrarily chosen from  $\mathcal{G}$  and suppose  $W(p) \cap (P \cup Q) \neq \emptyset$ . If  $W(p) \cap P \neq \emptyset$ , then by (3.7), we have  $W(p) \subset O$ , and if  $W(p) \cap Q \neq \emptyset$ , then by (3.5), we have  $W(p) \subset O$ . In either case, we have the required inclusion. Hence,  $X$  is a D-space.

The case for Ceder space is the same as above.

That both spaces are not metrizable is easily obtained from the Second Category Property of  $\mathbb{R}$  and is well known. Since both spaces are first countable, they are not Lašnev spaces. This completes the proof.  $\square$

We cannot extend this result to general spaces which are the union  $X = X_0 \cup X_1$  of a closed metrizable subset  $X_0$  and metrizable subspace  $X_1$  such that  $X_0$  has a uniformly approaching anti-cover.

**Example 3.3.** *There is a non-D-space  $X = X_0 \cup X_1$  which is an  $M_1$ -space, such that  $X_0$  is a metrizable subset and has a uniformly approaching anti-cover, and  $X_1$  is a metrizable subset of  $X$ .*

*Proof:* For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $X(n)$  be a copy of the half plane

$$H = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid y \geq 0\}$$

with the usual topology, and write it as

$$X(n) = \{((x, y), n) \mid (x, y) \in H\}.$$

Let  $X$  be the quotient space obtained from the topological sum  $\oplus\{X(n) \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  by identifying all  $((x, 0), n)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , with a single point  $\langle x, 0 \rangle$ . Let  $f : \oplus\{X(n) \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\} \rightarrow X$  be the natural mapping. Let

$$X_0 = \{\langle x, 0 \rangle \mid x \in \mathbb{R}\}, X_1 = X \setminus X_0.$$

Then obviously,  $X_0$  is a closed metrizable subset and  $X_1$  is metrizable. Since  $X_0$  has a uniformly approaching anti-cover in a metric space  $f(X(n))$ ,  $X_0$  has a uniformly approaching anti-cover in  $X$ .

We show that  $X$  is not a D-space. To this end, we show that  $\{\langle 0, 0 \rangle\}$  does not have a uniformly approaching anti-cover. Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be any open cover of  $X \setminus \{\langle 0, 0 \rangle\}$ . Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . There exists  $U(n) \in \mathcal{U}$  such that  $\langle 1/n, 0 \rangle \in U(n)$ . Since  $U(n)$  is open in  $X$ , there exists  $\varepsilon_n > 0$  such that

$$W(n) = f(\{(x, y), n \in X(n) \mid y < \varepsilon_n\})$$

is an open neighborhood of  $X_0$  in  $f(X(n))$  such that  $U(n) \setminus W(n) \neq \emptyset$ . Then

$$W = f(\bigcup\{W(n) \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\})$$

is an open neighborhood of  $X_0$  in  $X$  such that  $U(n) \setminus W \neq \emptyset$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . This implies that

$$\langle 0, 0 \rangle \in \overline{S(X \setminus W, \mathcal{U})}.$$

Hence,  $\mathcal{U}$  is not a uniformly approaching anti-cover of  $\{\langle 0, 0 \rangle\}$  in  $X$ .  $\square$

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