

## ON THE ADJUNCTION SPACES OF FREE $L$ -SPACES AND $M_1$ -SPACES

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A class of free  $L$ -spaces is defined by Nagami [7]. This class contains all Lašnev spaces and is contained in the class of  $M_1$ -spaces in the sense of Ceder [3]. In this paper, we consider the sum theorem of free  $L$ -spaces and the property of being  $M_1$ -spaces and free  $L$ -spaces of the adjunction spaces. The main results are as follows:

1. Let  $Z=X \cup Y$  be stratifiable, where  $X, Y$  are free  $L$ -spaces and  $X$  is a closed set of  $Z$  with a uniformly approaching anti-cover in  $Z$ . Then  $Z$  is a free  $L$ -space.
2. The adjunction space  $X \cup_f Y$  is a free  $L$ -space if  $X$  is an  $L$ -space in the sense of Nagami [6] and  $Y$  is a free  $L$ -space.
3. Let  $Z=X \cup Y$  be stratifiable, where  $X, Y$  are  $M_1$ -spaces and  $X$  is a closed set with a uniformly approaching anti-cover in  $Z$ . Then  $Z$  is an  $M_1$ -space.
4. The adjunction space  $Z=X \cup_f Y$  is an  $M_1$ -space if  $X$  is a free  $L$ -space and  $Y$  is an  $M_1$ -space.
5. Every closed set of a free  $L$ -space has a closure-preserving open neighborhood base.
6. The closed irreducible image of an  $M_1$ -space with  $\dim=0$  is also an  $M_1$ -space.

All spaces are assumed to be Hausdorff and mappings to be continuous and onto unless the contrary is stated explicitly.  $N$  always denotes the positive integers. As for undefined term, see Nagami [6] and [7], or [4].

A space  $X$  is called a *monotonically normal space* if the following (MN) is satisfied:

(MN) To each pair  $(H, K)$  of separated subsets of  $X$ , one can assign an open set  $U(H, K)$  in such a way that

- (i)  $H \subset U(H, K) \subset \overline{U(H, K)} \subset X - K$  and
- (ii) if  $(H', K')$  is a pair of separated sets having  $H \subset H'$  and  $K' \subset K$ , then  $U(H, K) \subset U(H', K')$ .

LEMMA 1 ([4, Lemma 3.1]). *Let  $X$  be a monotonically normal space,  $F$  a*

closed set of  $X$  and  $\{W_\alpha : \alpha \in A\}$  an anti-closure-preserving family of open neighborhoods of  $F$ . Then there exists an anti-cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $F$  that each  $W_\alpha$  is a semi-canonical neighborhood of  $F$  with respect to  $\mathcal{U}$ .

**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $X, Y$  be a free  $L$ -spaces and  $Z = X \cup Y$  be a stratifiable space, where  $X$  is a closed set which has a uniformly approaching anti-cover in  $Z$ . Then  $Z$  is a free  $L$ -space.*

**PROOF.** Part 1: Let  $(\mathcal{F}, \{\mathcal{U}_F : F \in \mathcal{F}\})$  be a free  $L$ -structure of  $X$ . Let  $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{U}_X = \{V_\beta : \beta \in B\}$  be a uniformly approaching anti-cover of  $X$  in  $Z$ . For each  $F \in \mathcal{F}$ , let  $\mathcal{U}_F = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in A_F\}$  be assumed to be locally finite in  $X - F$ . Set

$$\mathcal{A}(F) = \{\delta \in A_F : W(\delta) = F \cup (\bigcup \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \delta\})\} \text{ is an open neighborhood of } F \text{ in } X.$$

Then  $\{W(\delta) : \delta \in \mathcal{A}(F)\}$  is anti-closure-preserving in  $X$ . For each  $x \in X - F$ , set

$$\begin{aligned} V(x) &= U(\{x\}, F \cup (\bigcup \{X - W(\delta) : x \in W(\delta), \delta \in \mathcal{A}(F)\})), \\ \mathcal{C}\mathcal{U}_F &= \mathcal{C}\mathcal{U}_X \cup \{V(x) : x \in X - F\}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $U$  is the monotonically normal operator assured by (MN). Then  $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{U}_F$  is an anti-cover of  $F$  in  $Z$ . We shall show that  $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{U}_F$  has the following property:

(\*) If  $W_1$  is a canonical neighborhood of  $F$  with respect to  $\mathcal{U}_F$  in  $X$ , then there exists a semi-canonical neighborhood  $U_2$  of  $F$  in  $Z$  with respect to  $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{U}_F$  such that

$$F \subset U_2 \cap X \subset W_1, \quad \bar{U}_2 \cap (X - W_1) = \phi.$$

To see (\*), choose  $\delta \in \mathcal{A}(F)$  such that

$$W_2 = W(\delta), \quad \bar{W}_2 \subset W_1.$$

Set

$$U_1 = U(X - W_2, F), \quad U_2 = U(\bar{W}_2, X - W_1).$$

Then  $U_2$  is an open neighborhood of  $F$  in  $Z$  such that

$$U_2 \cap X \subset W_1, \quad \bar{U}_2 \cap (X - W_1) = \phi.$$

Since  $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{U}_X$  is uniformly approaching in  $Z$ ,

$$\overline{S(Z - U_2, \mathcal{C}\mathcal{U}_X)} \cap F = \phi.$$

Suppose

$$V(x) \cap (Z - U_2) \neq \phi, \quad x \in X - F.$$

Note that if  $x \in W_2$ , then  $V(x) \subset U_2$ . Therefore  $x \notin W_2$ . This implies  $V(x) \subset U_1$ . Since  $\bar{U}_1 \cap F = \phi$ , we have

$$\overline{S(Z - \overline{U}_z, \mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_F)} \cap F = \phi.$$

Part 2: Let  $(\mathcal{H}, \{\mathcal{U}_H : H \in \mathcal{H}\})$  be a free  $L$ -structure of  $Y$ . Write

$$X = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} G_n, \quad G_{n+1} \subset G_n, \quad n \in \mathbb{N},$$

where each  $G_n$  is open in  $Z$ . Let  $\mathcal{H} = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{H}_i$ , where each  $\mathcal{H}_i$  is discrete in  $Y$ . For each  $i \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $H \in \mathcal{H}_i$ , set

$$\begin{aligned} H_n &= H \cap (Z - G_n), \\ \mathcal{H}_{in} &= \{H_n : H \in \mathcal{H}_i\}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}. \end{aligned}$$

Then each  $\mathcal{H}_{in}$  is a discrete closed collection of  $Z$ . Since  $Z$  is paracompact, there exists a discrete open collection  $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_{in} = \{V(H_n) : H_n \in \mathcal{H}_{in}\}$  of  $Z$  such that

$$H_n \subset V(H_n), \quad H_n \in \mathcal{H}_{in}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Since  $Z$  is perfectly normal, there exists an anti-cover  $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_{H_n}$  of  $H_n$  in  $Z$  with respect to which  $V(H_n)$  is a canonical neighborhood of  $H_n$  in  $Z$ . Choose canonical neighborhoods  $V(H_n)_1$  and  $V(H_n)_2$  of  $H_n$  with respect to  $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_{H_n}$  such that

$$H_n \subset V(H_n)_1 \subset \overline{V(H_n)_1} \subset V(H_n)_2 \subset \overline{V(H_n)_2} \subset V(H_n).$$

Let  $\mathcal{U}_H = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in A_H\}$  be assumed to be locally finite in  $Y - H$ . Set

$$\mathcal{A}(H) = \{\delta \subset A_H : W(\delta) = H \cup (\bigcup \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \delta\}) \text{ is an open neighborhood of } H \text{ in } Y\}.$$

For each  $\delta \in \mathcal{A}(H)$ , set

$$W(\delta, n) = (W(\delta) \cap V(H_n)_2) \cup (V(H_n)_2 - \overline{V(H_n)_1}).$$

Then  $W(\delta, n)$  is an open neighborhood of  $H'_n = \overline{V(H_n)_1} \cap H$ . Moreover, it is easily seen that  $\{W(\delta, n) : \delta \in \mathcal{A}(H)\}$  is anti-closure-preserving in  $Z$ . Therefore by Lemma 1, there exists an anti-cover  $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}'_{H'_n}$  of  $H'_n$  in  $Z$  such that each  $W(\delta, n)$  is a semi-cannonical neighborhood of  $H'_n$  with respect to  $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}'_{H'_n}$ . Observe that for each  $\delta \in \mathcal{A}(H)$

$$V(H_n)_1 \cap W(\delta, n) = W(\delta) \cap V(H_n)_1$$

is an open neighborhood of  $H_n$  in  $Z$ , and that

$$\mathcal{H}'_{in} = \{H'_n : H_n \in \mathcal{H}_{in}\}$$

is a closed discrete collection of  $Z$ . Set

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}' &= \mathcal{F} \cup \{X\} \cup (\bigcup \{\mathcal{H}_{in} : i, n \in \mathbb{N}\} \\ &\quad \cup (\bigcup \{\mathcal{H}'_{in} : i, n \in \mathbb{N}\}). \end{aligned}$$

Then  $\mathcal{F}'$  is a  $\sigma$ -discrete closed collection of  $Z$ . Set

$$\mathcal{P} = (\mathcal{F}', \{\mathcal{C}V_F : F \in \mathcal{F}\} \cup \{\mathcal{C}V_X\} \cup \{\mathcal{C}V_{H_n} : H_n \in \mathcal{H}_{i_n}, \\ i, n \in N\} \cup \{\mathcal{C}V_{H'_n} : H_n \in \mathcal{H}_{i_n}, i, n \in N\}).$$

We shall show that  $\mathcal{P}$  forms a free  $L$ -structure of  $Z$ . Suppose  $p \in W$  for an arbitrary open set  $W$  of  $Z$  and an arbitrary point  $p$  of  $Z$ . Consider two cases. The first is the case  $p \in X$ . Since  $(\mathcal{F}, \{\mathcal{C}U_F : F \in \mathcal{F}\})$  is a free  $L$ -structure of  $X$ , there exist  $F_1, \dots, F_k \in \mathcal{F}$  and their canonical neighborhoods  $V_1, \dots, V_k$  such that

$$p \in \bigcap_{j=1}^k F_j \subset \bigcap_{j=1}^k V_j \subset W \cap X.$$

By (\*) there exists for each  $j$  a semi-canonical neighborhood  $W_j$  of  $F_j$  with respect to  $\mathcal{C}V_{F_j}$  such that

$$F_j \subset W_j \cap X \subset V_j, \bar{W}_j \cap (X - V_j) = \phi.$$

Note that  $Z - (\bigcap_{j=1}^k \bar{W}_j - W)$  is an open neighborhood of  $X$  in  $Z$ . Since  $\mathcal{C}V_X$  is approaching to  $X$  in  $Z$ , there exists a canonical neighborhood  $W_0$  of  $X$  with respect to  $\mathcal{C}V_X$  such that

$$W_0 \cap \left( \bigcap_{j=1}^k \bar{W}_j - W \right) = \phi.$$

Thus we have

$$p \in \bigcap_{j=1}^k F_j \cap X \subset \bigcap_{j=0}^k W_j \subset W.$$

The second case is  $p \in Z - X$ . Since  $(\mathcal{H}, \{\mathcal{C}U_H : H \in \mathcal{H}\})$  is a free  $L$ -structure of  $Y$ , there exist  $H_1, \dots, H_k \in \mathcal{H}$  and their canonical neighborhoods  $W(\delta_1), \dots, W(\delta_k)$  with  $\delta_1 \in \mathcal{A}(H_1), \dots, \delta_k \in \mathcal{A}(H_k)$  such that

$$p \in \bigcap_{j=1}^k H_j \subset \bigcap_{j=1}^k W(\delta_j) \subset W \cap Y.$$

Choose  $n \in N$  such that  $p \in Z - G_n$ . Then we have

$$p \in \bigcap_{j=1}^k (H_j)_n \cap \bigcap_{j=1}^k (H_j)'_n \\ \subset \bigcap_{j=1}^k W(\delta_j, n) \cap \bigcap_{j=1}^k V((H_j)_n)_1 \subset W.$$

As is shown in the above, each  $W(\delta_j, n)$  and each  $V((H_j)_n)_1$  are semi-canonical and canonical with respect to  $\mathcal{C}V_{(H_j)_n}'$  and  $\mathcal{C}V_{(H_j)_n}$ , respectively. Therefore by the result of [4],  $Z$  is a free  $L$ -space.

Let  $f$  be a mapping of a closed set of a space  $X$  into a space  $Y$ . The adjunction space  $Z$  of  $X, Y$  is denoted as  $Z = X \cup_f Y$ . In the sequel, the mapping  $f$  in  $Z = X \cup_f Y$  is assumed to be one of a closed set  $H$  into  $Y$ , and  $p : X \vee Y \rightarrow Z$  denotes

the quotient mapping. As the Ito's example in [4] shows, the adjunction space of free  $L$ -spaces need not be a free  $L$ -space. Miwa in [5] showed that the adjunction space of  $X$  and  $Y$  is a free  $L$ -space if  $X$  is a metric space and  $Y$  is a free  $L$ -space. The following corollary and the next theorem refine the result.

**COROLLARY 1.** *Let  $X, Y$  be free  $L$ -spaces and  $H$  a closed set of  $X$  having a uniformly approaching anti-cover in  $X$ . Then  $Z = X \cup_f Y$  is a free  $L$ -space.*

**PROOF.** As is well known,  $Z$  is a stratifiable space. Set

$$Z = X' \cup Y', \quad X' = p(Y), \quad Y' = Z - p(Y).$$

Then it is easily seen that  $\{X', Y'\}$  satisfies the condition of the above theorem.

**COROLLARY 2.**  *$X = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} X_n$  be a stratifiable space, where each  $X_n$  is a closed free  $L$ -space, and has a uniformly approaching anti-cover in  $X$ . Then  $X$  is a free  $L$ -space.*

**COROLLARY 3.** *Let  $X = \bigcup \{X_\alpha : \alpha \in A\}$  be a stratifiable space, where  $\{X_\alpha : \alpha \in A\}$  is locally finite in  $X$  and each  $X_\alpha$  is a closed free  $L$ -space and has a uniformly approaching anti-cover in  $X$ . Then  $X$  is a free  $L$ -space.*

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $X$  be an  $L$ -space and  $Y$  a free  $L$ -space. Then  $Z = X \cup_f Y$  is a free  $L$ -space.*

**PROOF.** Set

$$X' = p(Y), \quad Y' = Z - p(Y).$$

Then  $Z = X' \cup Y'$  and  $X', Y'$  are free  $L$ -spaces. Obviously  $Z$  is stratifiable and  $X'$  is a closed set of  $Z$ . We shall modify the part 1 of the proof of Theorem 1. Let  $(\mathcal{F}, \{\mathcal{U}_F : F \in \mathcal{F}\})$  be a free  $L$ -structure of  $X'$  and let  $\mathcal{U}_F, \Delta(F)$  and  $W(\delta)$  be the same as in the part 1 with  $X$  replaced by  $X'$ . By the same way we define  $V(x)$  for each  $x \in X' - F, F \in \mathcal{F}$ . Since  $Z$  is hereditarily normal, there exists an open set  $U_F$  of  $Z(F) = Z - F$  (and hence of  $Z$ ) such that

$$X' - F \subset U_F \subset \text{Cl}_{Z(F)}(U_F) \subset \bigcup \{V(x) : x \in X' - F\},$$

where  $\text{Cl}_{Z(F)}(U_F)$  denotes the closure in the subspace  $Z(F)$ . Since  $X$  is an  $L$ -space,  $p_X^{-1}(F)$  has an approaching anti-cover  $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}(p_X^{-1}(F))$  in  $X$ , where  $p_X = p|_X$  is the restriction of the quotient mapping. Set

$$\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_F = \{V(x) : x \in X' - F\} \cup p(\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}(p_X^{-1}(F))) \setminus ((Z - \text{Cl}_{Z(F)}(U_F)).$$

Then obviously  $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_F$  is an anti-cover of  $F$  in  $Z$ . We shall show that  $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_F$  has the

property (\*) stated there. Let  $W_1$  be a canonical neighborhood of  $F$  with respect to  $\mathcal{U}_F$  in  $X'$ . Take  $\delta \in \mathcal{A}(F)$  and open sets  $U_1, U_2$  of  $Z$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} W_2 &= W(\delta), \bar{W}_2 \subset W_1, \\ U_1 &= U(X' - W_2, F), \quad U_2 = U(\bar{W}_2, X' - W_1). \end{aligned}$$

Then we have

$$S(Z - U_2, \{V(x) : x \in X' - F\}) \subset U_1, \bar{U}_1 \cap F = \phi.$$

Since  $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}(p_{\bar{X}}^{-1}(F))$  is approaching to  $p_{\bar{X}}^{-1}(F)$  in  $X$ , there exists an open neighborhood  $V$  of  $p_{\bar{X}}^{-1}(F)$  in  $X$  such that

$$S(X - p_{\bar{X}}^{-1}(U_2), \mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}(p_{\bar{X}}^{-1}(F))) \cap V = \phi.$$

Set

$$N = p(V) \cup U_F.$$

Then  $N$  is an open neighborhood of  $F$  in  $Z$  such that

$$N \cap S(Z - U_2, p(\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}(p_{\bar{X}}^{-1}(F))) \mid (Z - \text{Cl}_{Z(F)}(U_F))) = \phi,$$

which implies that  $U_2$  is semi-canonical with respect to  $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_F$ . Since  $H$  has an approaching anti-cover in  $X$ ,  $X'$  has an approaching anti-cover  $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_{X'}$  in  $Z$ . If we observe that in the part 2 of the proof of Theorem 1 we use merely the fact that  $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_X$  is approaching, then the proof is obviously completed.

**THEOREM 3.** *Let  $Z = X \cup Y$  be a stratifiable space, where  $X, Y$  are  $M_1$ -spaces and  $X$  is a closed set which has a uniformly approaching anti-cover in  $Z$ . Then  $Z$  is an  $M_1$ -space.*

**PROOF.** Let  $\mathcal{U} = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{U}_j$  be a base for  $X$ , where each  $\mathcal{U}_j = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in A_j\}$  is closure-preserving in  $X$ . Write

$$U_\alpha = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} F_{\alpha j},$$

where each  $F_{\alpha j}$  is closed in  $X$ . Set

$$U'_\alpha = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} U(F_{\alpha j}, X - U_\alpha).$$

Then  $U'_\alpha$  satisfies the following conditions:

(i)  $U'_\alpha$  is an open set of  $Z$  such that

$$U'_\alpha \cap X = U_\alpha, \alpha \in A_j, j \in N.$$

(ii) For an arbitrary subset  $B$  of  $A_j, j \in N$ , if  $p \in X$  and  $p \notin \overline{\bigcup \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in B\}}$ , then

$p \notin \overline{\bigcup\{U'_\alpha : \alpha \in B\}}$ .

(i) is obvious. To see (ii), suppose  $p \in \overline{\bigcup\{U'_\alpha : \alpha \in B\}}$ . Set

$$N(p) = Z - \overline{U(\bigcup\{U'_\alpha : \alpha \in B\}, \{p\})}.$$

Then  $N(p)$  is an open neighborhood of  $p$  in  $Z$  such that

$$N(p) \cap U'_\alpha = \emptyset \text{ for every } \alpha \in B.$$

We shall construct collections  $\mathcal{U}_\alpha = \{U_{\alpha\beta} : \beta \in B_\alpha\}$ ,  $\alpha \in A_j$ ,  $j \in N$ , satisfying the following:

(1) Each  $U_{\alpha\beta}$  is an open set of  $Z$  such that

$$U_{\alpha\beta} \cap X = U_\alpha \text{ and } U_{\alpha\beta} \subset U'_\alpha \text{ for every } \beta \in B_\alpha.$$

(2)  $\bigcup\{U_\alpha : \alpha \in A_j\}$  is closure-preserving in  $Z$  for every  $j \in N$ .

(3) If  $U$  is an open set of  $Z$  such that  $U \cap X = U_\alpha$  for  $\alpha \in A_j$ ,  $j \in N$ , then  $U_{\alpha\beta} \subset U$  for some  $\beta \in B_\alpha$ .

Since  $Z$  is hereditarily paracompact, the uniformly approaching anti-cover  $\mathcal{C} = \{V_\lambda : \lambda \in A\}$  of  $X$  can be assumed to be locally finite in  $Z - X$ . For each  $\alpha \in A$ ,  $j \in N$ , set

$$B_\alpha = \{\beta \subset A : U_{\alpha\beta} = U_\alpha \cup (\bigcup\{V_\lambda : \lambda \in \beta\})\} \text{ is an open neighborhood of } U_\alpha \text{ in } Z \\ \text{such that } U_{\alpha\beta} \subset U'_\alpha, \mathcal{U}_\alpha = \{U_{\alpha\beta} : \beta \in B_\alpha\}.$$

Then (1) and (3) follow easily. (2) follows from (ii) and from the fact that  $\mathcal{U}_j$  is closure-preserving in  $X$ . It is obvious from (3) that  $\bigcup\{U_\alpha : \alpha \in A_j, j \in N\}$  forms a local base of each point of  $X$  in  $Z$ . Since  $X$  is a closed set of a stratifiable space  $Z$  and  $Y$  is an  $M_1$ -space, there exists a  $\sigma$ -closure-preserving open collection  $\mathcal{B}$  of  $Z$  such that  $\mathcal{B}$  forms a local base of each point of  $Z - X$  in  $Z$ . Set

$$\mathcal{W} = \bigcup\{U_\alpha : \alpha \in A_j, j \in N\} \cup \mathcal{B}.$$

Then  $\mathcal{W}$  is a  $\sigma$ -closure-preserving base of  $Z$ .

We define the property (P) as follows:

(P) Suppose that we are given a closure-preserving open collection  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in A\}$  of a closed set  $F$  of a space  $X$ . Then for each  $\alpha \in A$ , there exists an open collection  $\mathcal{U}_\alpha = \{U_{\alpha\beta} : \beta \in B_\alpha\}$  of  $X$  satisfying the following:

(1)  $U_{\alpha\beta} \cap F = U_\alpha$  for each  $\beta \in B_\alpha$ ,  $\alpha \in A$ .

(2)  $\mathcal{U}' = \bigcup\{U_\alpha : \alpha \in A\} = \{U_{\alpha\beta} : \beta \in B_\alpha, \alpha \in A\}$

is closure-preserving in  $X$ .

(3) If  $V$  is an open set of  $X$  such that  $V \cap F = U_\alpha$  for  $\alpha \in A$ , then there exists  $\beta \in B_\alpha$  such that  $U_{\alpha\beta} \subset V$ .

LEMMA 2. Every closed set  $F$  of a free  $L$ -space  $X$  has the property (P).

PROOF. First we consider the case of  $\dim X=0$ . Suppose that we are given a closure-preserving open collection  $\mathcal{U}=\{U_\alpha:\alpha\in A\}$  of a closed set  $F$  of a free  $L$ -space  $X$  with  $\dim X=0$ . Write

$$F=\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty}H_n, H_{n+1}\subset H_n, n\in N, H_1=X,$$

where each  $H_n$  is closed and open in  $X$ . Since  $X$  is an  $M_1$ -space, there exists a base  $\mathcal{B}=\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty}\mathcal{B}_i$  for  $X$ , where each  $\mathcal{B}_i$  is closure-preserving in  $X$ . For each  $i\in N$  and  $B\in\mathcal{B}_i$ , set  $B_i=B\cap H_i$ . Let  $\{\mathcal{S}_i:\lambda\in\Gamma\}$  be the totality of subcollections of  $\mathcal{B}$ . For each  $\lambda\in\Gamma$  set

$$V_{i\lambda}=\cup\{B_i:B\in\mathcal{S}_i\cap\mathcal{B}_i\},$$

$$V_\lambda=\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty}V_{i\lambda}.$$

For each  $\alpha\in A$ , set

$$B'_\alpha=\{\lambda\in\Gamma:V_\lambda\text{ is an open set of }X\text{ such that }V_\lambda\cap F=U_\alpha\}.$$

For each  $\alpha\in A$ , we expand  $U_\alpha$  to an open set  $U'_\alpha$  of  $X$  by the same method as in the proof of Theorem 3. Thus each  $U'_\alpha$  satisfies (i) and (ii) stated there. Set

$$B_\alpha=\{\beta\in B'_\alpha:V_\beta\subset U'_\alpha\},$$

$$\mathcal{U}_\alpha=\{U_{\alpha\beta}=V_\beta:\beta\in B_\alpha\}.$$

Obviously each  $\mathcal{U}_\alpha$  satisfies (1). To see (2), let  $B_0$  be an arbitrary subset of  $\cup\{\alpha\}\times B_\alpha:\alpha\in A\}$  and suppose

$$p\notin\overline{\cup\{U_{\alpha\beta}:(\alpha,\beta)\in B_0\}}.$$

Write

$$B_0=\cup\{\alpha\}\times B_\alpha^0:\alpha\in A_0\}.$$

If  $p\in F$ , then  $p\notin\overline{\cup\{U_\alpha:\alpha\in A_0\}}$ , because  $\mathcal{U}$  is closure-preserving in  $F$ . Therefore by the property (ii) of  $U'_\alpha$ ,  $p\notin\overline{\cup\{U'_\alpha:\alpha\in A_0\}}$ . This implies

$$p\notin\overline{\cup\{U_{\alpha\beta}:(\alpha,\beta)\in B_0\}}.$$

If  $p\in X-F$ , then there exists  $k\in N$  with  $p\in H_k-H_{k+1}$ . Write

$$U_{\alpha\beta}=\cup\{V_{\beta i}:i\in N\}, \beta\in B_\alpha^0, \alpha\in A_0,$$

$$V_{\beta i}=\cup\{B_i:B\in\mathcal{S}_\beta\cap\mathcal{B}_i\}, \beta\in B_\alpha^0, \alpha\in A_0.$$

Since  $X-H_{k+1}$  is an open neighborhood of  $p$  such that

$$(X-H_{k+1})\cap V_{\lambda n}=\phi, n\geq k+1, \lambda\in A,$$

$$p\notin\overline{\cup\{V_{\beta n}:n\geq k+1, \beta\in\cup\{B_\alpha^0:\alpha\in A_0\}\}}.$$



Therefore if we assume

$$p \in \overline{\bigcup \{U_{\alpha\beta} : (\alpha, \beta) \in B_0\}},$$

then

$$p \in \overline{\bigcup \{V_{\beta m} : m \leq k, \beta \in \bigcup \{B_\alpha^0 : \alpha \in A_0\}\}}.$$

This implies for some  $m \leq k$

$$p \in \overline{\bigcup \{V_{\beta m} : \beta \in \bigcup \{B_\alpha^0 : \alpha \in A_0\}\}}.$$

Since  $\mathcal{B}_m$  is closure-preserving in  $X$ ,  $p \in \bar{B}$  for some  $B \in \mathcal{S}_\beta \cap \mathcal{B}_m$ ,  $\beta \in \bigcup \{B_\alpha^0 : \alpha \in A_0\}$ . Since  $p \in H_m$  and  $H_m$  is open, it follows that

$$p \in \overline{B \cap H_m} = \overline{B_m} \subset \overline{V_{\beta m}}.$$

Hence  $p \in \overline{U_{\alpha\beta}}$  for  $(\alpha, \beta) \in B_0$ , a contradiction. Thus (2) is satisfied. To see (3), let  $V$  be an arbitrary open set of  $X$  such that  $V \cap F = U_\alpha$ . For each  $p \in U_\alpha$ , there exist  $n(p) \in \mathcal{N}$  and  $B_p \in \mathcal{B}_{n(p)}$  such that

$$p \in B_p \subset V \cap U'_\alpha.$$

Obviously  $p \in (B_p)_{n(p)} \subset V$ . If we put

$$\mathcal{S}_\beta = \{B_p : p \in U_\alpha\},$$

then  $U_{\alpha\beta} \subset V$ .

Next, we consider the general case. Let  $X$  be a free  $L$ -space. Then by [7, Theorem 2.10] there exists a perfect mapping  $f$  of a free  $L$ -space  $Z$  with  $\dim Z \leq 0$  onto  $X$ . By [2, Lemma 3.2 (a)] we can assume that  $f$  is irreducible. Suppose that we are given a closure-preserving open collection  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in A\}$  of a closed set  $F$  of  $X$ . In the preceding manner, we construct for each  $\alpha \in A$  an open collection  $\{(f^{-1}(U_\alpha))_\beta : \beta \in B'_\alpha\}$  of  $Z$  satisfying the following:

- (1)'  $(f^{-1}(U_\alpha))_\beta \cap f^{-1}(F) = f^{-1}(U_\alpha)$ ,  $\beta \in B'_\alpha$ ,  $\alpha \in A$ .
- (2)'  $\{(f^{-1}(U_\alpha))_\beta : \beta \in \bigcup \{B'_\alpha : \alpha \in A\}\}$  is closure-preserving in  $Z - f^{-1}(F)$ .
- (3)' If  $V$  is an open set of  $Z$  such that  $V \cap f^{-1}(F) = f^{-1}(U_\alpha)$ , then  $(f^{-1}(U_\alpha))_\beta \subset V$  for some  $\beta \in B'_\alpha$ .

For each  $\alpha \in A$ ,  $\beta \in B'_\alpha$ , put

$$U_{\alpha\beta} = X - f(Z - (f^{-1}(U_\alpha))_\beta).$$

We expand each  $U_\alpha$  to an open set  $U'_\alpha$  of  $X$  by the same method as in the proof of Theorem 3. Construct

$$\mathcal{U}_\alpha = \{U_{\alpha\beta} : \beta \in B'_\alpha\}, \alpha \in A,$$

$$B_\alpha = \{\beta \in B'_\alpha : U_{\alpha\beta} \subset U'_\alpha\}.$$

(1) follows easily from (1)'. To see (2), let  $B_0$  be an arbitrary subset of  $\bigcup\{\{\alpha\} \times B_\alpha : \alpha \in A\}$  and suppose

$$p \notin \bigcup\{\overline{U_{\alpha\beta}} : (\alpha, \beta) \in B_0\}.$$

Write

$$B_0 = \bigcup\{\{\alpha\} \times B_\alpha^0 : \alpha \in A_0\}.$$

If  $p \in F$ , then  $p \notin \overline{\bigcup\{U'_\alpha : \alpha \in A_0\}}$  by the property (ii) of  $U'_\alpha$ . Consequently we have  $p \notin \overline{\bigcup\{U_{\alpha\beta} : (\alpha, \beta) \in B_0\}}$ . Let  $p \in X - F$  and assume  $p \in \overline{\bigcup\{U_{\alpha\beta} : (\alpha, \beta) \in B_0\}}$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(p) &\subset Z - f^{-1}(F), \\ f^{-1}(p) \cap \overline{\bigcup\{(f^{-1}(U_\alpha))_\beta : (\alpha, \beta) \in B_0\}} &\neq \emptyset. \end{aligned}$$

By (2)', there exist  $\beta \in B_\alpha^0$ ,  $\alpha \in A_0$  such that

$$f^{-1}(p) \cap \overline{(f^{-1}(U_\alpha))_\beta} \neq \emptyset.$$

Since  $f$  is irreducible,  $p \in \overline{U_{\alpha\beta}}$  follows from the argument of [2, Lemma 3.3]. Therefore (2) is proved. (3) follows easily from (3)'. This completes the proof.

So far as I know, it is not known whether each closed set of an  $M_1$ -space admits a  $\sigma$ -closure-preserving open neighborhood base. It is also an open question whether  $X|A$  is an  $M_1$ -space for each closed set  $A$  of an  $M_1$ -space. But as far as we are concerned with the class of free  $L$ -spaces, these hold positively.

**COROLLARY 1.** *Every closed set of a free  $L$ -space has a closure-preserving open neighborhood base.*

**COROLLARY 2.**  *$X|A$  is an  $M_1$ -space for each closed set  $A$  of a free  $L$ -space  $X$ .*

**COROLLARY 3.** *Let  $f$  be a closed irreducible mapping of a free  $L$ -space  $X$  onto  $Y$ . Then  $Y$  is an  $M_1$ -space.*

**PROOF.** The closed image of a paracompact  $\sigma$ -space is also paracompact  $\sigma$ . It is similarly shown to [2, Lemma 3.2] that every closed set of  $Y$  has a closure-preserving open neighborhood base.

Note that we use only the fact that  $X$  is an  $M_1$ -space in the proof of the case of  $\dim X = 0$  of Lemma 2. Thus we have the following:

**COROLLARY 3'.** *Let  $f$  be a closed irreducible mapping of an  $M_1$ -space  $X$  with  $\dim X \leq 0$  onto  $Y$ . Then  $Y$  is an  $M_1$ -space.*

It is unknown whether the adjunction space of  $M_1$ -spaces is  $M_1$ . From the result of Borges [1], it is known that the adjunction space is at least stratifiable.

**THEOREM 4.** *Let  $X$  be a free  $L$ -space and  $Y$  an  $M_1$ -space. Then  $Z = X \cup_f Y$  is an  $M_1$ -space.*

**PROOF.** Let  $\mathcal{U} = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{U}_j$  be a base for  $p(Y)$ , where each  $\mathcal{U}_j = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in A_j\}$  is closure-preserving in  $p(Y)$ . By the same method of the proof of Theorem 3, we expand each  $U_\alpha$  to an open set  $U'_\alpha$  of  $Z$ . By the same method as in the proof of Lemma 2, we can show that there exists for each  $\alpha \in A_j$  an open collection  $\mathcal{U}_\alpha = \{U_{\alpha\beta} : \beta \in B_\alpha\}$  of  $X$  satisfying the following:

$$(1) \quad U_{\alpha\beta} \cap H = p_X^{-1}(U_\alpha), U_{\alpha\beta} \subset p_X^{-1}(U'_\alpha) \text{ for each } \beta \in B_\alpha, \alpha \in A_j.$$

$$(2) \quad \bigcup \{\mathcal{U}_\alpha : \alpha \in A_j\} \text{ is closure-preserving in } X - H.$$

(3) If  $U$  is an open set of  $X$  such that  $U \cap H = p_X^{-1}(U_\alpha)$  for  $\alpha \in A_j$ , then  $U_{\alpha\beta} \subset U$  for some  $\beta \in B_\alpha$ .

Set

$$\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_\alpha = \{V_{\alpha\beta} = U_\alpha \cup p(U_{\alpha\beta}) : \beta \in B_\alpha, \alpha \in A_j,$$

$$\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_j = \bigcup \{\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_\alpha : \alpha \in A_j\},$$

$$\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V} = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_j.$$

Then  $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}$  is a  $\sigma$ -closure-preserving open collection of  $Z$ , which forms a local base of each point of  $p(Y)$  in  $Z$ . Since  $Z$  is perfectly normal and  $X$  is an  $M_1$ -space, there exists a  $\sigma$ -closure-preserving open collection  $\mathcal{W}$  of  $Z$ , which forms a local base of each point of  $Z - p(Y)$  in  $Z$ . Then  $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V} \cup \mathcal{W}$  is a  $\sigma$ -closure-preserving base for  $Z$ . This completes the proof.

**COROLLARY 1.** *Let  $X$  be the perfect irreducible image of an  $M_1$ -space with  $\dim X \leq 0$  and  $Y$  an  $M_1$ -space. Then  $X \cup_f Y$  is an  $M_1$ -space.*

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