

## SOME RESULTS ON SUBRINGS OF $C(X)$ AND $C(X, \mathbb{C})$

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ABSTRACT. Let  $X$  be a Tychonoff space and  $\mathcal{R}[X]$  be the collection of all subrings of  $C(X)$  that separate points and contain the identity element 1. In this paper, we establish a correspondence between the ideals in  $A(X) \in \mathcal{R}[X]$  and the  $z_A^\gamma$ -filters on the completion of  $X$  with respect to a uniform structure arising from the functions in  $A(X)$ . We also explore some properties of  $z$ -ideals,  $z_A$ -ideals and maximal ideals in these types of subrings of  $C(X)$ . For each subset  $A(X)$  of  $C(X)$ , let  $[A(X)]_c = \{f + ig : f, g \in A(X)\}$ . We demonstrate that  $[A(X)]_c$  is a  $c$ -type subring of  $C(X, \mathbb{C})$  when  $A(X) \in \mathcal{R}[X]$  is a  $c$ -type subring of  $C(X)$ . Finally, for an intermediate subring  $A(X)$  of  $C(X)$ , we show that the completion of  $X$  with respect to a suitable uniform structure derived from  $[A(X)]_c$  is equal to  $v_A X$ , the  $A$ -compactification of  $X$ .

### 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

Let  $X$  be a Tychonoff space and  $C(X)$ ,  $C^*(X)$  denote the rings of all continuous real-valued functions on  $X$  and bounded continuous real-valued functions on  $X$  respectively. In this paper, by subrings of  $C(X)$ , we mean those subrings which contain the constant functions and we consider all ideals as proper ideals. The correspondence between the ideals in  $C(X)$  and the  $z$ -filters on  $X$  has been described by Gillman and Jerison in [6], where they have also derived a similar correspondence in the case of  $C^*(X)$ . A subring  $A(X)$  of  $C(X)$  is an intermediate subring of  $C(X)$  if  $C^*(X) \subseteq A(X) \subseteq C(X)$ . To capture the algebraic properties of an intermediate subring  $A(X)$  of  $C(X)$ , Redlin and Watson in [12] have introduced the concept of local invertibility of a function  $f \in A(X)$ , through which they have provided a correspondence between ideals in  $A(X)$  and  $z$ -filters on  $X$ . This correspondence has been studied further by other mathematicians in [4, 9]. In [3], further exploration of similar correspondence between other types of ideals called  $z_A^\beta$ -ideals and filters called  $z_A^\beta$ -filters has been done for an intermediate subring of  $C(X)$ .

A subring  $A(X)$  of  $C(X)$  is called a  $c$ -type subring if there exists a Tychonoff space  $Y$  such that  $A(X)$  is isomorphic to  $C(Y)$ . A subring  $A(X)$  of  $C(X)$  is said to separate points if for any two distinct points  $x, y \in X$ ,

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there exists a function  $f \in A(X)$  such that  $f(x) \neq f(y)$ . De and Acharyya in [5] have provided the characterization of intermediate  $c$ -type subrings of  $C(X)$  and this problem has been further studied for subrings of  $C(X)$  that separate points and contain the identity element 1 by Mitra and Chowdhury in [8] and for the subrings of the ring of complex-valued continuous functions by Acharyya et al. in [1].

A realcompactification of  $X$  is a realcompact space in which  $X$  is dense. The concept of realcompactness of a space was introduced by Hewitt in [7] and a generalization called  $A$ -compactness was given by Redlin and Watson in [12], where  $A(X)$  is an intermediate subring of  $C(X)$ . For any  $f$  in an intermediate subring  $A(X)$  of  $C(X)$ , let  $v_f X = \{p \in \beta X : f^*(p) \neq \infty\}$  and  $v_A X = \bigcap_{f \in A(X)} v_f X = \{p \in \beta X : f^*(p) \neq \infty \forall f \in A(X)\}$ . For each intermediate subring  $A(X)$  of  $C(X)$ ,  $v_A X$  is a realcompactification of  $X$  called the  $A$ -compactification of  $X$  and  $X$  is  $A$ -compact if and only if  $X = v_A X$  [2].

Let  $\sum(X)$  denote the collection of all intermediate subrings of  $C(X)$  and  $\mathcal{R}[X]$  denote the collection of subrings of  $C(X)$  that separate points and contain the identity element 1. It is worth noting that there exists a member of  $\mathcal{R}[X]$  which is not in  $\sum(X)$ , see [8, Example 1]. For each  $f$  in a subring  $A(X)$  of  $C(X)$ , Plank [11] defined  $S_A(f) = \{p \in \beta X : (fg)^*(p) = 0 \forall g \in A(X)\}$ , where  $f^* : \beta X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^*$  is the unique continuous extension of  $f$  [6] and  $\mathbb{R}^*$  is the one-point compactification of  $\mathbb{R}$ . An ideal  $I$  in a commutative ring  $R$  is called a  $z$ -ideal if  $f \in I$  implies that  $M_f(R) \subseteq I$ , where  $M_f(R)$  represents the intersection of all the maximal ideals in  $R$  containing  $f$ . In particular, an ideal  $I$  in  $C(X)$  is a  $z$ -ideal if and only if  $Z(f) \subseteq Z(g)$ ,  $f \in I$  and  $g \in C(X)$  imply that  $g \in I$ . Further, an ideal  $I$  in an intermediate subring  $A(X)$  of  $C(X)$  is a  $z$ -ideal if and only if  $S_A(f) \subseteq S_A(g)$ ,  $f \in I$  and  $g \in A(X)$  imply that  $g \in I$ . An ideal  $I$  in a subring  $A(X)$  of  $C(X)$  is said to be a  $z_A$ -ideal, if whenever  $Z(f) \subseteq Z(g)$ , where  $f \in I$  and  $g \in A(X)$ , then  $g \in I$  [10].

The study of uniform structure generated by pseudometrics in the theory of  $C(X)$  has enhanced the understanding of the completion of a space as each function  $f \in C(X)$  gives rise to a pseudometric  $\psi_f : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $\psi_f(x, y) = |f(x) - f(y)|$ . The family  $\{\psi_f : f \in A(X)\}$ , for a given subring  $A(X)$  of  $C(X)$ , serves as a subbase for a specific uniform structure on  $X$ . A uniform space  $X$  together with a uniform structure  $\mathcal{D}$  is denoted by  $(X, \mathcal{D})$ . A  $z$ -filter  $\mathcal{F}$  on a uniform space  $(X, \mathcal{D})$  is said to be Cauchy if whenever  $\psi \in \mathcal{D}$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $Z \in \mathcal{F}$  such that  $\psi(x, y) < \epsilon$  for all  $x, y \in Z$ . A uniform structure  $\mathcal{D}$  on  $X$  is said to be Hausdorff if for any two distinct points  $x, y \in X$ , there exists  $\psi \in \mathcal{D}$  such that  $\psi(x, y) \neq 0$ . For each

$A(X) \in \mathcal{R}[X]$ , let  $u_A$  denote the uniformity generated by  $\{\psi_f : f \in A(X)\}$  and let  $(\gamma_A X, u_A)$  be the unique completion of  $X$  with respect to  $u_A$ . Here we use the same symbol  $u_A$  for the uniform structure on  $\gamma_A X$ . Gillman and Jerison [6] proved that  $(\gamma_{C^*} X, u_{C^*}) = vX$ , where  $vX$  is the Hewitt realcompactification of  $X$  and  $(\gamma_C X, u_C) = \beta X$ . Moreover, Mitra and Chowdhury [8] proved that  $(\gamma_A X, u_A) = v_A X$  when  $A(X) \in \sum(X)$ . We refer the reader for undefined terms mentioned in this paper to [6].

Let  $C(X, \mathbb{C})$  and  $C^*(X, \mathbb{C})$  be the rings of all complex-valued continuous functions on  $X$  and bounded complex-valued continuous functions on  $X$  respectively. An intermediate subring of  $C(X, \mathbb{C})$  is a subring of  $C(X, \mathbb{C})$  which contains  $C^*(X, \mathbb{C})$ . For each subset  $A(X)$  of  $C(X)$ , let

$$[A(X)]_c = \{f + ig : f, g \in A(X)\}.$$

If  $A(X)$  is a subring of  $C(X)$ , then  $[A(X)]_c$  is a subring of  $C(X, \mathbb{C})$ . In fact, if  $A(X) \in \sum(X)$ , then  $[A(X)]_c$  is the smallest intermediate subring of  $C(X, \mathbb{C})$  containing  $A(X)$  [1]. Let  $\mathcal{R}[X, \mathbb{C}]$  be the collection of all subrings of  $C(X, \mathbb{C})$  that separate points and contain 1. Then it is easy to see that for each  $A(X) \in \mathcal{R}[X]$ ,  $[A(X)]_c \in \mathcal{R}[X, \mathbb{C}]$ . A subring  $A(X, \mathbb{C})$  of  $C(X, \mathbb{C})$  is called a  $c$ -type subring if there exists a Tychonoff space  $Y$  such that  $A(X, \mathbb{C})$  is isomorphic to  $C(Y, \mathbb{C})$ .

In Section 2, we provide a correspondence between ideals in  $A(X) \in \mathcal{R}[X]$  and a special category of filters called  $z_A^\gamma$ -filters on the completion  $\gamma_A X$ . We also introduce the concept of  $z_A^\gamma$ -ideals, extending the notion of  $z_A^u$ -ideals initially presented in [10]. We prove some properties of  $z$ -ideals,  $z_A$ -ideals and maximal ideals in subrings  $A(X) \in \mathcal{R}[X]$  and derive the inter-relationships that exist between them. In Section 3, we prove that  $[A(X)]_c$  is a  $c$ -type subring of  $C(X, \mathbb{C})$  when  $A(X) \in \mathcal{R}[X]$  is a  $c$ -type subring of  $C(X)$ . Finally, in Section 4, we show that the completion of  $X$  with respect to a uniformity generated by a suitable collection of pseudometrics arising from the functions in  $[A(X)]_c$ , where  $A(X) \in \sum(X)$ , is equal to  $v_A X$ .

## 2. $z_A^\gamma$ -FILTERS AND $z_A^\gamma$ -IDEALS

Let  $A(X)$  be a subring of  $C(X)$  and  $f \in A(X)$ . Then by [8, Theorem 4],  $f$  can be extended to a uniformly continuous function  $f^{\gamma_A} : \gamma_A X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . For  $I \subseteq A(X)$ , let  $Z_A^\gamma[I] = \{Z(f^{\gamma_A}) : f \in I\}$  and  $Z_A^\gamma[X] = \{Z(f^{\gamma_A}) : f \in A(X)\}$ .

Since  $X$  is dense in  $\gamma_A X$ , the following lemma is immediate.

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $f, g \in A(X)$ . Then*

$$(1) (f + g)^{\gamma_A} = f^{\gamma_A} + g^{\gamma_A} \text{ and}$$

$$(2) (fg)^{\gamma_A} = f^{\gamma_A} g^{\gamma_A}.$$

The following lemma holds as a subring  $A(X) \in \mathcal{R}[X]$  is a  $c$ -type subring of  $C(X)$  if and only if it is isomorphic to  $C(\gamma_A X)$  [8].

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $A(X) \in \mathcal{R}[X]$  be a  $c$ -type subring. Then  $f \in A(X)$  is invertible in  $A(X)$  if and only if  $Z(f^{\gamma_A}) = \phi$ .*

**Definition 2.3.** A non-empty subset  $\mathcal{F}$  of  $Z_A^\gamma[X]$  is called a  $z_A^\gamma$ -filter on  $\gamma_A X$  if the following hold:

- (1)  $\phi \notin \mathcal{F}$ ,
- (2) if  $Z_1, Z_2 \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $Z_1 \cap Z_2 \in \mathcal{F}$  and
- (3) if  $Z \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $Z' \in Z_A^\gamma[X]$  with  $Z' \supseteq Z$ , then  $Z' \in \mathcal{F}$ .

**Theorem 2.4.** *Let  $A(X) \in \mathcal{R}[X]$  be a  $c$ -type subring.*

- (1) *If  $I$  is an ideal in  $A(X)$ , then  $Z_A^\gamma[I]$  is a  $z_A^\gamma$ -filter on  $\gamma_A X$ .*
- (2) *If  $\mathcal{F}$  is a  $z_A^\gamma$ -filter on  $\gamma_A X$ , then  $Z_A^{\gamma^*}[\mathcal{F}] = \{f \in A(X) : Z(f^{\gamma_A}) \in \mathcal{F}\}$  is an ideal in  $A(X)$ .*

*Proof.* (1) Clearly  $\phi \notin Z_A^\gamma[I]$ , for if  $\phi = Z(f^{\gamma_A})$  for some  $f \in I$ , then  $f$  would be invertible in  $A(X)$  by Lemma 2.2, contradicting that  $I$  is a proper ideal. Also, for  $Z(f^{\gamma_A}), Z(g^{\gamma_A}) \in Z_A^\gamma[I]$ , by Lemma 2.1,

$$\begin{aligned} Z(f^{\gamma_A}) \cap Z(g^{\gamma_A}) &= Z((f^{\gamma_A})^2 + (g^{\gamma_A})^2) \\ &= Z((f^2)^{\gamma_A} + (g^2)^{\gamma_A}) \\ &= Z((f^2 + g^2)^{\gamma_A}) \end{aligned}$$

and thus  $Z(f^{\gamma_A}) \cap Z(g^{\gamma_A}) \in Z_A^\gamma[I]$ . Finally, for  $Z(h^{\gamma_A}) \in Z_A^\gamma[I]$  and  $Z(k^{\gamma_A}) \in Z_A^\gamma[X]$  such that  $Z(k^{\gamma_A}) \supseteq Z(h^{\gamma_A})$ , we have

$$Z(k^{\gamma_A}) = Z(h^{\gamma_A}) \cup Z(k^{\gamma_A}) = Z(h^{\gamma_A} k^{\gamma_A}) = Z((hk)^{\gamma_A}).$$

So  $Z(k^{\gamma_A}) \in Z_A^\gamma[I]$ . Thus  $Z_A^\gamma[I]$  is a  $z_A^\gamma$ -filter on  $\gamma_A X$ .

(2) Clearly by Lemma 2.2,  $Z_A^{\gamma^*}[\mathcal{F}]$  contains no unit of  $A(X)$ . Let  $f, g \in Z_A^{\gamma^*}[\mathcal{F}]$  and  $h \in C(X)$ . Then by Lemma 2.1,

$$Z((f - g)^{\gamma_A}) = Z(f^{\gamma_A} - g^{\gamma_A}) \supseteq Z(f^{\gamma_A}) \cap Z(g^{\gamma_A}) \in \mathcal{F}.$$

Also,  $Z((hf)^{\gamma_A}) = Z(h^{\gamma_A} f^{\gamma_A}) \supseteq Z(f^{\gamma_A}) \in \mathcal{F}$ . Hence  $Z_A^{\gamma^*}[\mathcal{F}]$  is an ideal in  $A(X)$ .  $\square$

**Definition 2.5.** A  $z_A^\gamma$ -filter on  $\gamma_A X$  which is not contained in any other  $z_A^\gamma$ -filter is called a  $z_A^\gamma$ -ultrafilter.

**Theorem 2.6.** *Let  $A(X) \in \mathcal{R}[X]$  be a  $c$ -type subring.*

- (1) If  $M$  is a maximal ideal in  $A(X)$ , then  $Z_A^\gamma[M]$  is a  $z_A^\gamma$ -ultrafilter on  $\gamma_A X$ .
- (2) If  $\mathcal{F}$  is a  $z_A^\gamma$ -ultrafilter on  $\gamma_A X$ , then  $Z_A^{\gamma^{\leftarrow}}[\mathcal{F}]$  is a maximal ideal in  $A(X)$ .

*Proof.* It is easy to see that  $Z_A^\gamma$  and  $Z_A^{\gamma^{\leftarrow}}$  preserve inclusion. Hence the result follows from Theorem 2.4.  $\square$

Parsinia [10] defined an ideal  $I$  of an intermediate subring  $A(X)$  of  $C(X)$  to be a  $z_A^v$ -ideal if  $Z(f^{v_A}) \subseteq Z(g^{v_A})$ ,  $f \in I$  and  $g \in A(X)$  imply that  $g \in I$ . We now give a more general notion of  $z_A^v$ -ideal.

**Definition 2.7.** Let  $A(X) \in \mathcal{R}[X]$ . An ideal  $I$  in  $A(X)$  is called a  $z_A^\gamma$ -ideal if whenever  $Z(f^{\gamma_A}) \subseteq Z(g^{\gamma_A})$  with  $f \in I$  and  $g \in A(X)$ , then  $g \in I$ .

*Remark 2.8.* By [8, Theorem 10], we note that when  $A(X) \in \Sigma(X)$ ,  $z_A^\gamma$ -ideal reduces to  $z_A^v$ -ideal.

In [10], it is shown that the notion of  $z_C^v$ -ideals and the notion of  $z$ -ideals of  $C(X)$  are equivalent to each other. Also the notion of  $z_{C^*}^v$ -ideals coincides with the notion of  $z$ -ideals of  $C^*(X)$ . We now give the inter-relationships that exist between  $z_A^\gamma$ -ideals,  $z_A$ -ideals and maximal ideals in a subring  $A(X) \in \mathcal{R}[X]$ .

**Theorem 2.9.** Let  $A(X) \in \mathcal{R}[X]$  be a  $c$ -type subring of  $C(X)$ . Then every maximal ideal in  $A(X)$  is a  $z_A^\gamma$ -ideal.

*Proof.* Let  $M$  be a maximal ideal in  $A(X)$ . Then  $Z_A^\gamma[M]$  is a  $z_A^\gamma$ -ultrafilter on  $\gamma_A X$ . But since  $Z_A^{\gamma^{\leftarrow}}[Z_A^\gamma[M]]$  is a maximal ideal in  $A(X)$  and  $M \subseteq Z_A^{\gamma^{\leftarrow}}[Z_A^\gamma[M]]$ , we get  $M = Z_A^{\gamma^{\leftarrow}}[Z_A^\gamma[M]]$ . Let  $Z(f^{\gamma_A}) \subseteq Z(g^{\gamma_A})$  with  $f \in M$  and  $g \in A(X)$ . Since  $Z_A^\gamma[M]$  is a  $z_A^\gamma$ -filter,  $Z(g^{\gamma_A}) \in Z_A^\gamma[M]$ , i.e.,  $g \in Z_A^{\gamma^{\leftarrow}}[Z_A^\gamma[M]] = M$ . Therefore  $M$  is a  $z_A^\gamma$ -ideal.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.10.** Let  $A(X) \in \mathcal{R}[X]$ . Then every  $z_A$ -ideal in  $A(X)$  is a  $z_A^\gamma$ -ideal in  $A(X)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $I$  be a  $z_A$ -ideal in  $A(X)$  and let  $Z(f^{\gamma_A}) \subseteq Z(g^{\gamma_A})$ , where  $f \in I$  and  $g \in A(X)$ . Then  $Z(f) \subseteq Z(g)$ . Hence  $g \in I$ .  $\square$

*Remark 2.11.* The converse of the above theorem is false as provided in [10, Example 2.5].

3.  $c$ -TYPE SUBRINGS OF  $C(X, \mathbb{C})$ 

For each member  $A(X, \mathbb{C})$  of  $\mathcal{R}[X, \mathbb{C}]$ , we construct a unique completion of  $X$  denoted by  $\check{\gamma}_{A(X, \mathbb{C})}X$ . We will show that, when  $A(X) \in \mathcal{R}[X]$  is a  $c$ -type subring of  $C(X)$ ,  $[A(X)]_c$  is a  $c$ -type subring of  $C(X, \mathbb{C})$ .

Let  $A(X, \mathbb{C}) \in \mathcal{R}[X, \mathbb{C}]$ . For each  $f \in A(X, \mathbb{C})$ , the function

$$\check{\psi}_f : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

defined by  $\check{\psi}_f(x, y) = |f(x) - f(y)|$  is clearly a pseudometric on  $X$ . Therefore the collection  $\{\check{\psi}_f : f \in A(X, \mathbb{C})\}$  is a subbase for some uniform structure on  $X$ . Let us denote this uniform structure by  $\check{u}_{A(X, \mathbb{C})}$ . Since  $A(X, \mathbb{C})$  separates points,  $\check{u}_{A(X, \mathbb{C})}$  is Hausdorff. Thus by [6, Theorem 15.9], there exists a unique completion of  $(X, \check{u}_{A(X, \mathbb{C})})$ , say  $(\check{\gamma}_{A(X, \mathbb{C})}X, \check{u}_{A(X, \mathbb{C})})$ . Here we use the same symbol  $\check{u}_{A(X, \mathbb{C})}$  for the uniform structure on  $\check{\gamma}_{A(X, \mathbb{C})}X$ .

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $A(X) \in \mathcal{R}[X]$  be a  $c$ -type subring of  $C(X)$ . Then  $[A(X)]_c$  is a  $c$ -type subring of  $C(X, \mathbb{C})$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $A(X) \in \mathcal{R}[X]$  is a  $c$ -type subring of  $C(X)$ , by [8, Theorem 9], there exists an isomorphism  $H : A(X) \rightarrow C(\gamma_AX)$ . Let

$$\check{H} : [A(X)]_c \rightarrow C(\gamma_AX, \mathbb{C})$$

be defined by  $\check{H}(f + ig) = H(f) + iH(g)$ . Then clearly  $\check{H}$  is an isomorphism.  $\square$

*Remark 3.2.* Let  $A(X) \in \mathcal{R}[X]$  and

$$\check{c}_{A(X, \mathbb{C})}X = \{p \in \beta X : A^p \text{ is a Cauchy } z\text{-filter on } X \text{ with respect to the uniformity } \check{u}_{A(X, \mathbb{C})}X\}$$

Then  $\check{c}_{A(X, \mathbb{C})}X \subseteq v_AX$ . Here  $A^p$  denotes the  $z$ -ultrafilter on  $X$  that converges to the point  $p$  in  $\beta X$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $p \notin v_AX$ . Then there exists  $f$  in  $A(X)$  such that  $f^*(p) = \infty$ , i.e.,  $f$  is unbounded on every member of  $A^p$ . Since  $A(X) \subseteq [A(X)]_c$ ,  $f \in [A(X)]_c$  and so  $\check{\psi}_f \in \check{u}_{A(X, \mathbb{C})}$ . Since  $f$  is unbounded on every member of  $A^p$ , for any  $\epsilon > 0$  and for any  $Z \in A^p$ , there exist  $x, y$  in  $Z$  such that  $\check{\psi}_f(x, y) \not\prec \epsilon$ . So  $A^p$  is not Cauchy, i.e.,  $p \notin \check{c}_{A(X, \mathbb{C})}X$ . Hence  $\check{c}_{A(X, \mathbb{C})}X \subseteq v_AX$ .  $\square$

*Remark 3.3.* When  $X$  is  $A$ -compact,  $\check{c}_{A(X, \mathbb{C})}X = v_AX$ . For an intermediate subring  $A(X)$  of  $C(X)$ , Mitra and Chowdhury [8] have shown that

$\gamma_A X = c_A X = v_A X$ , where

$$c_A X = \{p \in \beta X : A^p \text{ is a Cauchy } z\text{-filter on } X \text{ with respect to the uniformity } u_A X\}.$$

#### 4. INTERMEDIATE SUBRINGS OF $C(X, \mathbb{C})$

In this section, we discuss on the completion of  $X$  with respect to a suitable collection of pseudometrics arising from each function in  $[A(X)]_c$ , where  $A(X) \in \sum(X)$  and show that such completion is equal to  $v_A X$ .

Let  $A(X)$  be a subring of  $C(X)$ . For each function  $f \in [A(X)]_c$ , we define  $\tilde{\psi}_f : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $\tilde{\psi}_f(x, y) = ||f|(x) - |f|(y)|$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . Clearly for each  $x, y, z \in X$ , we have  $\tilde{\psi}_f(x, y) \geq 0$ ,  $\tilde{\psi}_f(x, x) = 0$ ,  $\tilde{\psi}_f(x, y) = \tilde{\psi}_f(y, x)$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\psi}_f(x, z) &= ||f|(x) - |f|(z)| \\ &= |(|f|(x) - |f|(y)) + (|f|(y) - |f|(z))| \\ &\leq ||f|(x) - |f|(y)| + ||f|(y) - |f|(z)|| \\ &= \tilde{\psi}_f(x, y) + \tilde{\psi}_f(y, z), \end{aligned}$$

showing that  $\tilde{\psi}_f$  is a pseudometric on  $X$  for each  $f \in [A(X)]_c$ . Therefore the family  $\{\tilde{\psi}_f : f \in [A(X)]_c\}$  is a subbase for some uniform structure on  $X$ .

*Remark 4.1.* Since  $C^*(X)$  separates points, for distinct points  $p, p'$  in  $X$ , there exists  $f \in C^*(X)$  such that  $f(p) \neq f(p')$ . If  $|f|(p) \neq |f|(p')$ , then  $\tilde{\psi}_f(p, p') \neq 0$ . If  $|f|(p) = |f|(p')$ , we can choose some constant function  $k$  such that  $f + k \in C^*(X)$  and  $|f + k|(p) \neq |f + k|(p')$  so that  $\tilde{\psi}_{f+k}(p, p') \neq 0$ .

By Remark 4.1, for each  $A(X) \in \sum(X)$ , the uniformity generated by the family  $\{\tilde{\psi}_f : f \in [A(X)]_c\}$  is Hausdorff. Let this uniform structure be denoted by  $\tilde{u}_{[A(X)]_c}$ . Then there exists a unique completion of  $X$  with respect to  $\tilde{u}_{[A(X)]_c}$  and let us denote this complete uniform structure by  $(\tilde{\gamma}_{[A(X)]_c} X, \tilde{u}_{[A(X)]_c})$ . Here we use the same symbol  $\tilde{u}_{[A(X)]_c}$  for the uniform structure on  $\tilde{\gamma}_{[A(X)]_c} X$ .

For each  $A(X) \in \sum(X)$ , Mitra and Chowdhury [8] have proved that  $\gamma_A X = v_A X$ . Now we aim to prove that for each  $A(X) \in \sum(X)$ ,

$$\tilde{\gamma}_{[A(X)]_c} X = v_A X.$$

We define  $v_{[A(X)]_c} X = \{p \in \beta X : |f|^*(p) \neq \infty \text{ for all } f \in [A(X)]_c\}$ .

**Lemma 4.2.** For each  $A(X) \in \sum(X)$ ,  $v_A X = v_{[A(X)]_c} X$ .

*Proof.* Let  $p \in v_A X$  and  $f \in [A(X)]_c$ . By [1, Theorem 2.3],  $|f| \in A(X)$ . Therefore since  $p \in v_A X$ ,  $|f|^*(p) \neq \infty$ . Thus  $p \in v_{[A(X)]_c} X$ . Conversely, let

$p \in v_{[A(X)]_c}X$  and  $f \in A(X)$ . Since  $f$  also belongs to  $[A(X)]_c$ ,  $|f|^*(p) \neq \infty$  as  $p \in v_{[A(X)]_c}X$ . As  $f \in A(X)$ ,  $|f|(x) = f(x)$  or  $-f(x)$  for any  $x \in X$ . Hence  $|f|^*(p) = f^*(p)$  or  $-f^*(p)$ . Hence  $f^*(p) \neq \infty$ . Therefore  $p \in v_AX$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.3.** *Let  $A(X) \in \Sigma(X)$  and*

$$\tilde{c}_{[A(X)]_c}X = \{p \in \beta X : A^p \text{ is a Cauchy } z\text{-filter on } X \text{ with respect to the uniformity } \tilde{u}_{[A(X)]_c}\}.$$

Then  $\tilde{c}_{[A(X)]_c}X = v_{[A(X)]_c}X$ .

*Proof.* Let  $p \in \beta X$  be such that  $p \notin v_{[A(X)]_c}X$ . Then there exists  $f \in [A(X)]_c$  such that  $|f|^*(p) = \infty$ . So for any  $\epsilon > 0$  and any  $Z \in A^p$ ,  $\|f|(x) - |f|(y)\| > \epsilon$ , for some  $x, y \in Z$ . That is,  $\tilde{\psi}_f$ -diameter of  $Z$  is greater than  $\epsilon$ . Thus  $p \notin \tilde{c}_{[A(X)]_c}X$ .

For the reverse inclusion, let  $p$  be a point in  $v_{[A(X)]_c}X$ . Let  $f \in [A(X)]_c$ . Since  $|f|^*(p) \neq \infty$ , for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a zero-set neighborhood of  $p$  in  $\beta X$ , say  $Z'$ , such that

$$|f|^*(Z') \subseteq (|f|^*(p) - \frac{\epsilon}{2}, |f|^*(p) + \frac{\epsilon}{2}).$$

Let  $Z = Z' \cap X$ . Then  $p \in cl_{\beta X}Z$  as  $X$  is dense in  $\beta X$  and  $p \in Z'$ . Hence by [6, Theorem 6.5 (c)],  $Z \in A^p$ . Since  $Z \subseteq X$ , for all  $x, y \in Z$ , we have

$$\tilde{\psi}_f(x, y) = \||f(x)| - |f(y)|\| = \||f|^*(x) - |f|^*(y)| < \epsilon.$$

So  $\tilde{\psi}_f$ -diameter of  $Z$  is less than  $\epsilon$ . Let  $d \in \tilde{u}_{[A(X)]_c}$ . Since  $\{\tilde{\psi}_f : f \in [A(X)]_c\}$  is a subbase for the uniform structure  $\tilde{u}_{[A(X)]_c}$ , so for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exist  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n \in [A(X)]_c$  and  $\delta > 0$  such that  $\bigvee_{i=1}^n \tilde{\psi}_{f_i}(x, y) \leq \delta$  implies that  $d(x, y) \leq \epsilon$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . Again for each  $f_i$ , there exists  $Z_i \in A^p$  such that for all  $x, y \in Z_i$ ,  $\tilde{\psi}_{f_i}(x, y) < \delta$ . Let  $G = \bigcap_{i=1}^n Z_i$ . Then  $G \in A^p$  and for all  $x, y \in G$ ,  $\bigvee_{i=1}^n \tilde{\psi}_{f_i}(x, y) \leq \delta$  and hence  $d(x, y) \leq \epsilon$ . This shows that  $A^p$  is Cauchy with respect to the uniformity  $\tilde{u}_{[A(X)]_c}$ . Therefore  $p \in \tilde{c}_{[A(X)]_c}X$ . Thus  $v_{[A(X)]_c}X \subseteq \tilde{c}_{[A(X)]_c}X$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.4.** *For any  $A(X) \in \Sigma(X)$ ,  $\tilde{\gamma}_{[A(X)]_c}X = v_AX$ .*

*Proof.* By Remark 4.1, for distinct points  $p, p'$  in  $X$ , there exists  $f \in [A(X)]_c$  such that  $\tilde{\psi}_f(p, p') \neq 0$ . Therefore by [6, Remark 15.9],  $\tilde{c}_{[A(X)]_c}X = \tilde{\gamma}_{[A(X)]_c}X$ . But by Theorem 4.3,  $\tilde{c}_{[A(X)]_c}X = v_{[A(X)]_c}X$  and by Lemma 4.2,

$$v_AX = v_{[A(X)]_c}X.$$

Therefore  $\tilde{\gamma}_{[A(X)]_c}X = v_AX$ .  $\square$

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SOME RESULTS ON SUBRINGS OF  $C(X)$  AND  $C(X, \mathbb{C})$

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برخی نتایج درباره‌ی زیرحلقه‌های  $C(X)$  و  $C(X, \mathbb{C})$

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فرض کنید  $X$  یک فضای تیخونوف باشد و  $\mathcal{R}[X]$  مجموعه‌ی تمامی زیرحلقه‌های  $C(X)$  باشد که نقاط  $X$  را از یکدیگر متمایز می‌کنند و تابع همانی  $1$  را در بر دارند. در این مقاله، تناظری میان ایده‌آل‌های  $A(X) \in \mathcal{R}[X]$  و  $\gamma_A$ -فیلترهای روی کامل‌سازی  $X$  نسبت به ساختار یکنواختی که از توابع موجود در  $A(X)$  حاصل می‌شود، برقرار می‌کنیم. همچنین برخی ویژگی‌های  $\gamma$ -ایده‌آل‌ها،  $\gamma_A$ -ایده‌آل‌ها و ایده‌آل‌های ماکسیمال را در این‌گونه زیرحلقه‌های  $C(X)$  بررسی می‌کنیم. برای هر زیرمجموعه‌ی  $A(X)$  از  $C(X)$ ، تعریف می‌کنیم:  $[A(X)]_c = \{f + ig : f, g \in A(X)\}$ . نشان می‌دهیم که هرگاه  $A(X) \in \mathcal{R}[X]$  یک زیرحلقه از  $c$ -تایپ در  $C(X)$  باشد، آنگاه  $[A(X)]_c$  نیز یک زیرحلقه  $c$ -تایپ از  $C(X, \mathbb{C})$  خواهد بود. در پایان، برای یک زیرحلقه‌ی میانی  $A(X)$  از  $C(X)$ ، ثابت می‌کنیم که کامل‌سازی  $X$  نسبت به ساختار یکنواخت مناسبی که از  $[A(X)]_c$  به دست می‌آید، با  $v_A X - A$  فشرده‌سازی فضای  $X$ ، برابر است.

کلمات کلیدی: زیرحلقه‌های  $c$ -تایپ، فشرده‌سازی استون-چک، ساختار یکنواخت،  $\gamma_A$ -فیلتر،  $\gamma_A$ -ایده‌آل.