

## UNIFORM TYPE HYPERSPACES

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**Abstract:** If  $(X, \mathcal{Q})$  is a quasi-uniform space, then in the hyperspace  $\mathcal{P}_0(X)$  of all non-empty subsets of  $X$  we investigate the several quasi-uniformities related with the Bourbaki–Hausdorff quasi-uniformity ([5], [10], [11], [12]). We show that if  $(X, \mathcal{Q})$  is a quasi-uniform monoid (conoid), then  $\mathcal{P}_0(X)$  with respect to the corresponding algebraic operations and quasi-uniformities is again a quasi-uniform monoid (conoid). Moreover, it is demonstrated that if  $(X, \mathcal{Q})$  is a quasi-uniform conoid, then in case of the hyperspace  $\mathcal{P}_c(X)$  of all non-empty convex subsets of  $X$  the scalar multiplication on positive real numbers has some nice continuity properties.

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## 1. Preliminary concepts

### 1.1. Uniform type spaces

$\mathbb{R}$  will denote the set of real numbers and  $\mathbb{R}_+ := [0, \infty[$ . The set  $\mathbb{R}$  and its subsets (including  $\mathbb{R}_+$  and the unit segment  $[0, 1]$ ) will be supposed to be endowed with the usual topology  $\epsilon$ .

For a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  we denote by  $\mathcal{N}_\tau(x)$  the collection of all neighborhoods of a point  $x \in X$ . For the considered topologies and topological spaces no separation axioms are required in advance.

Fix a non-empty set  $X$ , a subset of  $X \times X$  is called a *(binary) relation* on  $X$ . The relations will be denoted by  $P, Q, R$ , etc. We write:

$$\Delta_X := \{(x, x) \in X \times X \mid x \in X\},$$

$$\top(P) := \{(y, x) \in X \times X \mid (x, y) \in P\},$$

$$P \circ Q := \{(x, y) \in X \times X \mid \exists z \in X \text{ such that } (x, z) \in Q, (z, y) \in P\}.$$

The relation  $\top(P)$  is called *the converse relation* of  $P$ . Instead of  $\top(P)$  the notation  $P^{-1}$  also is used. A relation  $P$  is called reflexive if  $\Delta_X \subset P$  and symmetric if  $\top(P) = P$ .

For a collection  $\mathcal{Q}$  of relations on  $X$ , we write  $\mathcal{Q}^\top := \{\top(Q) \mid Q \in \mathcal{Q}\}$  and we say that  $\mathcal{Q}$  is *symmetric* if  $\mathcal{Q} = \mathcal{Q}^\top$ . The relation  $P \circ Q$  is called the *composition* of relations  $P$  and  $Q$ .

For  $x \in X$  and  $E \subset X$  we set  $P[x] := \{y \in X \mid (x, y) \in P\}$  and  $P[E] := \bigcup_{x \in E} P[x]$ .

We recall the usual terminology from the theory of quasi-uniform spaces (see, e.g., [6], [14], [13]):

A filter  $\mathcal{Q}$  consisting of reflexive relations on  $X$  is a

- *Local Quasi-uniformity* if  $\forall x \in X, \forall Q \in \mathcal{Q}, \exists P \in \mathcal{Q}$  such that  $P \circ P[x] \subset Q[x]$ .

- *Local Uniformity* if  $\mathcal{Q}$  is a symmetric local quasi-uniformity.

- *Quasi-Uniformity* if  $\forall Q \in \mathcal{Q} \exists P \in \mathcal{Q}$  such that  $P \circ P \subset Q$ .

- *Uniformity* if  $\mathcal{Q}$  is a symmetric quasi-uniformity.

If  $\mathcal{Q}$  is a quasi-uniformity, the filter  $\mathcal{Q}^\top$  is a quasi-uniformity too. However, if  $\mathcal{Q}$  is a local quasi-uniformity, then  $\mathcal{Q}^\top$  may not be a local quasi-uniformity. A local quasi-uniformity  $\mathcal{Q}$  is called *bilocal quasi-uniformity* if  $\mathcal{Q}^\top$  is a local quasi-uniformity as well (cf. [2]).

The pair  $(X, \mathcal{Q})$  is called a local quasi-uniform space (a local uniform space, a quasi-uniform space, a uniform space) when  $\mathcal{Q}$  is a local

quasi-uniformity (a local uniformity, a quasi-uniformity, a uniformity) and the members of  $\mathcal{Q}$  are called entourages.<sup>1</sup>

Every uniform type structure  $\mathcal{Q}$  induces in  $X$  the topology  $\tau_{\mathcal{Q}}$  for which

$$\{Q[x] \mid Q \in \mathcal{Q}\} = \mathcal{N}_{\tau_{\mathcal{Q}}}(x), \quad \forall x \in X.$$

For a quasi-uniformity  $\mathcal{Q}$  the topologies  $\tau_{\mathcal{Q}}$  and  $\tau_{\mathcal{Q}^{\top}}$  may be distinct.

A uniform type structure  $\mathcal{Q}$  is called *compatible with a topology*  $\tau$  if  $\tau_{\mathcal{Q}} = \tau$ .

We say that a (local) quasi-uniformity  $\mathcal{Q}$  is

(1) *weakly locally symmetric* at  $x \in X$  if for every  $Q \in \mathcal{Q}$  there is a symmetric entourage  $S \in \mathcal{Q}$  such that  $S[x] \subset Q[x]$ ;

(2) *weakly locally symmetric* or *point-symmetric* if  $\mathcal{Q}$  is weakly locally symmetric at  $x$  for every  $x \in X$ ;

(3) *locally symmetric* at  $x \in X$  if for every  $Q \in \mathcal{Q}$  there is a symmetric entourage  $S \in \mathcal{Q}$  such that  $S \circ S[x] \subset Q[x]$ ;

(4) *locally symmetric* if  $Q \in \mathcal{Q}$  is locally symmetric at  $x$  for every  $x \in X$ .

Let  $X$  be a set and  $(\mathcal{Q}_i)_{i \in I}$  be a non-empty family of uniform type structures in  $X$ . For this family, in the partially ordered set of all filters over  $X \times X$ , always exist the least upper bound  $\bigvee_{i \in I} \mathcal{Q}_i$  and the greatest lower bound  $\bigwedge_{i \in I} \mathcal{Q}_i$ . They are uniform type structures of the same type of  $\mathcal{Q}_i$  (see [1] or [3]). Moreover  $\{\bigcap_{i \in J} \mathcal{Q}_i \mid \mathcal{Q}_i \in \mathcal{Q}_i, J \text{ finite } \subset I\}$  is a base of  $\bigvee_{i \in I} \mathcal{Q}_i$ .

For a given bilocal quasi-uniformity  $\mathcal{Q}$  we denote  $\mathcal{Q}^{\vee} = \mathcal{Q} \vee \mathcal{Q}^{\top}$  and  $\mathcal{Q}_{\wedge} = \mathcal{Q} \wedge \mathcal{Q}^{\top}$ . It is known that  $\mathcal{Q}^{\vee}$  is the *coarsest local uniformity* containing  $\mathcal{Q}$  and  $\mathcal{Q}_{\wedge}$  is the *finest local uniformity* contained into  $\mathcal{Q}$ .

A local quasi-uniform space  $(X, \mathcal{Q})$  is called *precompact* if  $\forall Q \in \mathcal{Q} \exists F \text{ finite } \subset X \text{ such that } X = Q[F]$ .

If  $(X, \mathcal{P})$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{Q})$  are local quasi-uniform spaces and  $\mathcal{F} \subset Y^X$  is a non-empty family of mappings, then  $\mathcal{F}$  is called  $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{Q})$ -*uniformly equicontinuous* if

$$\forall Q \in \mathcal{Q}, \exists P \in \mathcal{P} \text{ such that } (f(x_1), f(x_2)) \in Q, \forall (x_1, x_2) \in P, \forall f \in \mathcal{F}.$$

**Proposition 1.1.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be nonempty sets,  $\mathcal{F} \subset Y^X$  a nonempty family of mappings,  $(\mathcal{P}_i)_{i \in I}$  a nonempty family of local quasi-uniformities on  $X$  and  $(\mathcal{Q}_i)_{i \in I}$  a nonempty family of local quasi-uniformities on  $Y$ . Assume that  $\forall i \in I, \mathcal{F}$  is  $(\mathcal{P}_i, \mathcal{Q}_i)$ -uniformly equicontinuous. Then:*

<sup>1</sup>Some authors use the term “vicinity” instead of entourage.

- a)  $\mathcal{F}$  is  $(\bigvee_{i \in I} \mathcal{P}_i, \bigvee_{i \in I} \mathcal{Q}_i)$ -uniformly equicontinuous.  
 b)  $\mathcal{F}$  is  $(\bigwedge_{i \in I} \mathcal{P}_i, \bigwedge_{i \in I} \mathcal{Q}_i)$ -uniformly equicontinuous.

## 1.2. Uniform type semigroups and monoids

A semigroup is a pair  $(X, +)$ , where  $X$  is a non-empty set and  $+$  :  $X \times X \rightarrow X$  is an associative binary operation. A *monoid* is a triplet  $(X, +, \theta)$ , where  $(X, +)$  is a semigroup which has the neutral element  $\theta$ . If  $(X, +)$  is a semigroup (monoid) in  $X \times X$  we define a semigroup operation componentwise.

As usual, for non-empty subsets  $A, B$  of a semigroup  $A + B$  will stand for their algebraic or Minkowski sum  $\{a + b \mid a \in A, b \in B\}$ .

A monoid (semigroup)  $X$  which is also a topological space is called a topological monoid if  $+$  is continuous with respect to the product topology in  $X \times X$  and the topology of  $X$ .

A monoid (semigroup)  $X$  equipped with a local quasi-uniformity (bilocal quasi-uniformity, quasi-uniformity, local uniformity, uniformity)  $\mathcal{Q}$  is called a *local quasi-uniform (bilocal quasi-uniform, quasi-uniform, local uniform, uniformity) monoid (semigroup)* if  $+$  is uniformly continuous with respect to the product quasi-uniformity  $\mathcal{Q} \otimes \mathcal{Q}$  and  $\mathcal{Q}$ .

**Lemma 1.2.** *Let  $(X, +, \theta)$  be a monoid,  $\mathcal{Q}$  be a local quasi-uniformity.*

- a) *The following statements are equivalent:*  
 (i)  $(X, \mathcal{Q})$  is a local quasi-uniform monoid.  
 (ii)  $\forall Q \in \mathcal{Q} \exists P \in \mathcal{Q}$  such that  $P + P \subset Q$ .  
 b) *If  $(X, \mathcal{Q})$  is a bilocal quasi-uniform monoid, then  $(X, \mathcal{Q}^\top)$  also is.*  
 c) *If  $(X, \mathcal{Q})$  is a (bilocal) quasi-uniform monoid, then  $(X, \mathcal{Q}^\vee)$  is a (local) uniform monoid.*

## 1.3. Uniform type conoids

A *conoid* is an Abelian monoid  $(X, +, \theta)$  for which an external operation

$$m : X \times \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow X, \quad m(x, \alpha) = x \cdot \alpha$$

is defined with the properties:

- A.1  $(x_1 + x_2) \cdot \alpha = x_1 \cdot \alpha + x_2 \cdot \alpha \quad \forall x_1, x_2 \in X, \quad \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}_+;$   
 A.2  $(x \cdot \alpha_1) \cdot \alpha_2 = x \cdot (\alpha_1 \cdot \alpha_2) \quad \forall x \in X, \quad \forall \alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+;$   
 A.3  $x \cdot (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) = x \cdot \alpha_1 + x \cdot \alpha_2 \quad \forall x \in X, \quad \forall \alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+;$   
 A.4  $x \cdot 1 = x \quad \forall x \in X.$

In the literature a conoid is also called an *abstract convex cone* [16], a *cone* [9], a *semi-vector space* [15], or a *semilinear space* [7], [8], [17], etc. In [1] the conoids were introduced to develop a integration scheme in quasi-uniform spaces, these structures also have been studied in [4].

If  $(X, +, \theta, m)$  is a conoid then in  $X \times X$  we define a conoid structure componentwise.

Let  $(X, +, \theta, m)$  be a conoid,  $K$  be a non-empty subset of  $X$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}_+$  and  $A$  non-empty subset of  $\mathbb{R}_+$ . We write

$$K \cdot \alpha := \{x \cdot \alpha \mid x \in K\} \quad \text{and} \quad K \cdot A := \{x \cdot \alpha \mid x \in K, \alpha \in A\}.$$

Let  $(X, +, \theta, m)$  be a conoid,  $K$  be a subset of  $X$  and  $b$  be an element of  $X$ .  $K$  is called:

- (1) *Convex* if either  $K$  is empty, or  $K \cdot \alpha + K \cdot (1 - \alpha) \subset K$ , for every  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ .
- (2) *Balanced* if either  $K$  is empty, or  $K \cdot [0, 1] \subset K$ .

**Remark 1.3.** Let  $(X, +, \theta, m)$  be a conoid.

- (1)  $X$  itself is convex, balanced and radial.
- (2) If  $K$  is a non-empty convex subset of  $X$ , then  $K \cdot (\alpha + \beta) = K \cdot \alpha + K \cdot \beta$ ,  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}_+$ .
- (3) The intersection of any non-empty family of convex (balanced) subsets of a conoid is convex (balanced).

As usual, we denote  $co(K)$  the convex hull of a subset  $K \subset X$ .

**Definition 1.4.** A conoid  $(X, +, \theta, m)$  equipped with a local quasi-uniformity (bilocal quasi-uniformity, quasi-uniformity, local uniformity, uniformity)  $\mathcal{Q}$  is called a *local quasi-uniform (bilocal quasi-uniform, quasi-uniform, local uniform, uniform) conoid* if  $(X, +, \theta, \mathcal{Q})$  is a local quasi-uniform monoid. It is denoted by  $(X, +, \theta, m, \mathcal{Q})$ .

Therefore a local quasi-uniform conoid is simply a local quasi-uniform monoid which algebraically is a conoid.

We shall say that a local quasi-uniform conoid  $(X, +, \theta, m, \mathcal{Q})$  is

- *locally convex* if  $\mathcal{Q}$  admits a base consisting of convex entourages;
- *locally balanced* if  $\mathcal{Q}$  admits a base consisting of balanced entourages.

**Remark 1.5.** Let  $(X, +, \theta, m, \mathcal{Q})$  a bilocal quasi-uniform conoid.

- (1)  $(X, +, \theta, m, \mathcal{Q}^\top)$  is a bilocal quasi-uniform conoid (see 1.2).
- (2)  $(X, +, \theta, m, \mathcal{Q}_\wedge), (X, +, \theta, m, \mathcal{Q}^\vee)$  are local uniform conoids (see 1.2).

For every  $x \in X$ , and for every  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}_+$  we will consider the mappings

$$\begin{array}{ccc} m_x : \mathbb{R}_+ & \rightarrow & X \\ \alpha & \mapsto & x \cdot \alpha \end{array} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} m_\alpha : X & \rightarrow & X \\ x & \mapsto & x \cdot \alpha. \end{array}$$

Denoting by  $\mathcal{E}_+$  the usual uniformity on  $\mathbb{R}_+$ , we say that the external operation of a local quasi-uniform conoid  $(X, +, \theta, m, \mathcal{Q})$  is

- $UC_\ell$  if  $m_x$  is  $(\mathcal{E}_+, \mathcal{Q})$ -uniformly continuous  $\forall x \in X$ ;
- $UC_r$  if  $m_\alpha$  is  $\mathcal{Q}$ -uniformly continuous  $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}_+$ ;
- $C_{\ell,0}$  if  $m_x$  is  $(\mathbf{e}, \tau_{\mathcal{Q}})$ -continuous at 0  $\forall x \in X$ ;
- $C_\ell$  if  $m_x$  is  $(\mathbf{e}, \tau_{\mathcal{Q}})$ -continuous on  $\mathbb{R}_+$   $\forall x \in X$ ;
- $C_{r,\theta}$  if  $m_\alpha$  is  $\tau_{\mathcal{Q}}$ -continuous at  $\theta$   $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}_+$ ;
- $C_r$  if  $m_\alpha$  is  $\tau_{\mathcal{Q}}$ -continuous on  $X$   $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}_+$ ;
- $JC_{(\theta,0)}$  if  $m$  is  $(\tau \otimes \mathbf{e}, \tau_{\mathcal{Q}})$ -continuous at  $(\theta, 0)$ ;
- $JC$  if  $m$  is  $(\tau_{\mathcal{Q}} \otimes \mathbf{e}, \tau_{\mathcal{Q}})$ -continuous everywhere.

Let  $(X, +, \theta, m)$  be a conoid. A local quasi-uniformity  $\mathcal{Q}$  on  $X$  is called *homogeneous* if

$$Q \cdot \alpha \in \mathcal{Q} \quad \forall Q \in \mathcal{Q}, \quad \forall \alpha > 0.$$

**Proposition 1.6.** *Let  $(X, +, \theta, m, \mathcal{Q})$  be a bilocal quasi-uniform conoid such that  $m$  is  $C_{\ell,0}$ . The following statements are valid:*

- a)  $m_x$  is  $(\mathbf{e}, \tau_{\mathcal{Q}})$ -right-continuous  $\forall x \in X$ .
- b) If  $\mathcal{Q}^\top$  is weakly locally symmetric at  $\theta$ , then  $m_x$  is  $(\mathbf{e}, \tau_{\mathcal{Q}^\top})$ -continuous at 0  $\forall x \in X$ .
- c) If  $m_x$  is  $(\mathbf{e}, \tau_{\mathcal{Q}^\top})$ -continuous at 0  $\forall x \in X$ , then  $m$  is  $UC_\ell$ .
- d) If  $\mathcal{Q}^\top$  is weakly locally symmetric at  $\theta$ , then  $m$  is  $UC_\ell$ .
- e) If  $\mathcal{Q}$  is a uniformity, then  $m$  is  $C_{\ell,0}$  if and only if  $m$  is  $UC_\ell$ .

**Proof.** a) Fix  $x \in X$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}_+$ ,  $\alpha > 0$  and  $Q \in \mathcal{Q}$ . Since  $+$  is  $(\tau_{\mathcal{Q}} \otimes \tau_{\mathcal{Q}}, \tau_{\mathcal{Q}})$ -continuous at  $(x \cdot \alpha, \theta)$  and  $x \cdot \alpha = x \cdot \alpha + \theta$ , there exists  $R \in \mathcal{Q}$  such that  $R[x \cdot \alpha] + R[\theta] \subset Q[x \cdot \alpha]$ .

Since  $m_x$  is  $(\mathbf{e}, \tau_{\mathcal{Q}})$ -continuous at 0 there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that  $x \cdot t \in R[\theta] \quad \forall t \in [0, \varepsilon[$ . Then:

$$x \cdot (\alpha + t) = x \cdot \alpha + x \cdot t \in R[x \cdot \alpha] + R[\theta] \subset Q[x \cdot \alpha] \quad \forall t \in [0, \varepsilon[$$

and the  $(\mathbf{e}, \tau_{\mathcal{Q}})$ -right-continuity of  $m_x$  at  $\alpha$  is proved.

b) Obvious.

c) Fix  $x \in X$ . Since  $(X, \mathcal{Q})$  is a bilocal quasi-uniform semigroup, there exists  $R \in \mathcal{Q}$  such that  $R + R \subset Q$ . Since  $m_x$  is  $(\mathbf{e}, \tau_{\mathcal{Q}} \vee \tau_{\mathcal{Q}^\top})$ -continuous at 0 there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that

$$m_x([0, \varepsilon]) \subset R[\theta] \cap T(R)[\theta],$$

i.e.,

$$(*) \quad (\theta, x \cdot t) \in R \quad \text{and} \quad (x \cdot t, \theta) \in R, \quad \forall t \in [0, \varepsilon[.$$

Take  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}_+$  with  $|\alpha - \beta| < \varepsilon$  and let us show that  $(x \cdot \alpha, x \cdot \beta) \in Q$ .

If  $\alpha < \beta$ , then  $\beta = \alpha + t$  with  $t := \beta - \alpha \in [0, \varepsilon[$ . This and (\*) imply:

$$(x \cdot \alpha, x \cdot \beta) = (x \cdot \alpha + \theta, x \cdot \alpha + x \cdot t) = (x \cdot \alpha, x \cdot \alpha) + (\theta, x \cdot t) \in R + R \subset Q.$$

If  $\alpha > \beta$ , then  $\alpha = \beta + t$  with  $t := \alpha - \beta \in [0, \varepsilon[$ . This and (\*) imply:

$$(x \cdot \alpha, x \cdot \beta) = (x \cdot t + x \cdot \beta, \theta + x \cdot \beta) = (x \cdot t, \theta) + (x \cdot \beta, x \cdot \beta) \in R + R \subset Q.$$

Consequently,

$$\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+, |\alpha - \beta| < \varepsilon \Gamma \Rightarrow (x \cdot \alpha, x \cdot \beta) \in Q$$

and so,  $m_x$  is  $(\mathcal{E}^+, \mathcal{Q})$ - uniformly continuous.

d) Follows from b) and c).

e) Follows from d).  $\diamond$

## 2. Uniform type hyperspaces

Let  $X$  be a nonempty set and  $\mathcal{P}_0(X)$  be the collection of all non-empty subsets of  $X$ . For each relation  $Q$  on  $X$ , set

$$Q^+ = \{(A, B) \in \mathcal{P}_0(X) \times \mathcal{P}_0(X) \mid B \subset Q[A]\},$$

$$Q^- = \{(A, B) \in \mathcal{P}_0(X) \times \mathcal{P}_0(X) \mid A \subset \top(Q)[B]\},$$

$$Q^* := Q^+ \cap Q^-.$$

**Remark 2.1.** Let  $P, Q$  be relations on  $X$ , then:

$$(1) \top(Q^-) = (\top(Q))^+ \text{ and } \top(Q^+) = (\top(Q))^-.$$

$$(2) (P \cup Q)^+ = P^+ \cup Q^+.$$

$$(3) (P \cup Q)^- = P^- \cup Q^-.$$

$$(4) (P \cap Q)^+ \subset P^+ \cap Q^+.$$

$$(5) (P \cap Q)^- \subset P^- \cap Q^-.$$

$$(6) (P \cap Q)^* \subset P^* \cap Q^*.$$

For a local quasi-uniformity  $\mathcal{Q}$  on  $X$  let

- $\mathcal{Q}^+$  be the filter generated by  $\{Q^+ \mid Q \in \mathcal{Q}\}$ ,
- $\mathcal{Q}^-$  be the filter generated by  $\{Q^- \mid Q \in \mathcal{Q}\}$ ,
- $\mathcal{Q}^* := \mathcal{Q}^+ \vee \mathcal{Q}^-$ .

**Remark 2.2.** If  $(X, \mathcal{Q})$  is a local quasi-uniform space, then

$$(1) (\mathcal{Q}^-)^\top = (\mathcal{Q}^\top)^+, \text{ and } (\mathcal{Q}^+)^\top = (\mathcal{Q}^\top)^-;$$

$$(2) (\mathcal{Q}^*)^\top = (\mathcal{Q}^\top)^*.$$

**Proposition 2.3.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{Q})$  be a quasi-uniform space. The following statements are true:

- (a) (cf. [5, 10])  $\mathcal{Q}^+$ ,  $\mathcal{Q}^-$  and  $\mathcal{Q}^*$  are quasi-uniformities.

(b) If  $\mathcal{Q}$  is a uniformity, then  $\mathcal{Q}^+$  and  $\mathcal{Q}^-$  are conjugate quasi-uniformities, and  $\mathcal{Q}^*$  is a uniformity on  $\mathcal{P}_0(X)$ .

**Proof.** (a) Fix  $\mathfrak{P} \in \mathcal{Q}^+$ . There exists  $P \in \mathcal{Q}$  such that  $P^+ \subset \mathfrak{P}$ . Since  $\mathcal{Q}$  is a quasi-uniformity there is  $Q \in \mathcal{Q}$  such that  $Q \circ Q \subset P$ . Let us show that  $Q^+ \circ Q^+ \subset P^+$ :

Take  $(A, B) \in Q^+ \circ Q^+$ . There is a  $C$  such that  $(A, C) \in Q^+$  and  $(C, B) \in Q^+$ . For each  $b \in B$  there is  $c \in C$  such that  $(c, b) \in Q$  and there is  $a \in A$  such that  $(a, c) \in Q$ . It follows that  $(a, b) \in Q \circ Q \subset P$  and so,  $b \in P[a] \subset P[A]$ . Hence  $B \subset P[A]$  and  $(A, B) \in P^+$ .

The other cases are analogous.

(b) Follows from Rem. 2.1(1).  $\diamond$

The quasi-uniformities  $\mathcal{Q}^+$  and  $\mathcal{Q}^-$  are called, respectively, the *upper* and *lower Hausdorff quasi-uniformities* on  $\mathcal{P}_0(X)$  associated with  $\mathcal{Q}$ .

The quasi-uniformity  $\mathcal{Q}^*$  is called *Hausdorff (or Bourbaki) quasi-uniformity* on  $\mathcal{P}_0(X)$  associated with  $\mathcal{Q}$ .

The next proposition shows that an analogue of Prop. 2.3(a) is not true for bilocal quasi-uniformities.

**Proposition 2.4.** *Let  $(X, \mathcal{Q})$  be a bilocal quasi-uniform space. Then:*

- a)  $\mathcal{Q}^+$  may not be a local quasi-uniformity on  $\mathcal{P}_0(X)$ .
- b)  $\mathcal{Q}^-$  may not be a local quasi-uniformity on  $\mathcal{P}_0(X)$ .
- c)  $\mathcal{Q}^*$  may not be a local quasi-uniformity on  $\mathcal{P}_0(X)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $X = \{0, 1, \frac{1}{2}, \dots, \frac{1}{n}, \dots\}$  and

$$Q_n = \Delta \cup \left\{ \left( 0, \frac{1}{i} \right) : i \geq n \right\} \cup \left\{ \left( \frac{1}{i+1}, \frac{1}{i} \right) : i \geq n \right\}.$$

First we will see that  $\mathcal{Q}_0 = \{Q_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is base of a bilocal quasi-uniformity  $\mathcal{Q}$  (cf. [1]).

- $Q_{n+1} \subset Q_n$ , for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , therefore  $\mathcal{Q}$  is a filter base on  $X \times X$ .
- $\Delta \subset Q_n$ , for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- Observe that:

$$Q_n[0] = \left\{ 0, \frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n+1}, \dots \right\} \text{ and } Q_n \circ Q_n[0] = \left\{ 0, \frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n+1}, \dots \right\}$$

hence  $Q_n \circ Q_n[0] = Q_n[0]$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ . Now, let  $n \geq 1$  and  $k \geq 1$ , we have that:

$$Q_k \circ Q_k \left[ \frac{1}{k} \right] = \left\{ \frac{1}{k} \right\} \text{ hence } Q_k \circ Q_k \left[ \frac{1}{k} \right] \subset Q_n \left[ \frac{1}{k} \right].$$

- Notice that:

$$\top(Q_n) = \Delta \cup \left\{ \left( \frac{1}{i}, 0 \right) : i \geq n \right\} \cup \left\{ \left( \frac{1}{i}, \frac{1}{i+1} \right) : i \geq n \right\}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Observe that:  $-\top(Q_n)[0] = \{0\}$  and  $\top(Q_n) \circ \top(Q_n)[0] = \{0\}$  hence  $\top(Q_n) \circ \top(Q_n)[0] = \top(Q_n)[0]$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$  and for  $n, k \in \mathbb{N}$  we have:

$$\top(Q_{k+1}) \circ \top(Q_{k+1}) \left[ \frac{1}{k} \right] = \left\{ \frac{1}{k} \right\} \text{ hence } \top(Q_{k+1}) \circ \top(Q_{k+1}) \left[ \frac{1}{k} \right] \subset \top(Q_n) \left[ \frac{1}{k} \right].$$

a) Let  $A = \{\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{6}, \dots, \frac{1}{3n}, \dots\}$ , let us see that

$$Q_m^+ \circ Q_m^+[A] \not\subset Q_1^+[A], \forall m \in \mathbb{N}$$

with

$$Q_1^+[A] = \mathcal{P}_0 \left( \left\{ \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{6}, \dots, \frac{1}{3n-1}, \frac{1}{3n}, \dots \right\} \right) \cup \emptyset.$$

We have:

$$\begin{cases} (A, \{\frac{1}{3m-1}\}) \in Q_m^+ \\ (\{\frac{1}{3m-1}\}, \{\frac{1}{3m-2}\}) \in Q_m^+ \end{cases}.$$

Therefore  $\{\frac{1}{3m-2}\} \in Q_m^+ \circ Q_m^+[A] \forall m \in \mathbb{N}$ , but  $\{\frac{1}{3m-2}\} \notin Q_1^+[A]$ .

b) Let  $A = \{\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{6}, \dots, \frac{1}{3n}, \dots\}$ , let we us see that

$$Q_m^- \circ Q_m^-[A] \not\subset Q_1^-[A], \forall m \in \mathbb{N}$$

with

$$Q_1^-[A] = \left\{ \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{6}, \dots, \frac{1}{3n-1}, \frac{1}{3n}, \dots \right\}.$$

Consider

$$B_m = \left\{ \frac{1}{3k} : 1 \leq k < m \right\} \cup \left\{ \frac{1}{3k-2} : k \geq m \right\}$$

and

$$C_m = \left\{ \frac{1}{3k} : 1 \leq k < m \right\} \cup \left\{ \frac{1}{3m-1}, \frac{1}{3m+2}, \frac{1}{3m+5}, \dots \right\}.$$

We have

$$\begin{cases} (A, C_m) \in Q_m^- \\ (C_m, B_m) \in Q_m^- \end{cases},$$

hence  $B_m \in Q_m^- \circ Q_m^-[A]$ ,  $\forall m \in \mathbb{N}$ , but  $B_m \notin Q_1^-[A]$ .

c) Let  $A = \{\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{6}, \dots, \frac{1}{3n}, \dots\}$ , then by a) and b) we have

$$\begin{aligned} Q_1^*[A] &= (Q_1^+ \cap Q_1^-)[A] \subset Q_1^+[A] \cap Q_1^-[A] = \\ &= \left\{ \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{6}, \dots, \frac{1}{3n-1}, \frac{1}{3n}, \dots \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Let  $C_m$  and  $B_m$  the sets defined in b). We have also

$$\begin{cases} (A, C_m) \in Q_m^+ \cap Q_m^- \\ (C_m, B_m) \in Q_m^+ \cap Q_m^- \end{cases},$$

hence  $B_m \in (Q_m^+ \cap Q_m^-) \circ (Q_m^+ \cap Q_m^-)[A]$ ,  $\forall m \in \mathbb{N}$ , but  $B_m \notin Q_1^*[A]$ .  $\diamond$

Taking into account Rem. 2.1 it is easy to prove the following:

**Proposition 2.5.** *Let  $\mathcal{Q}$  and  $\mathcal{P}$  be quasi-uniformity on  $X$ . Then:*

- (1)  $\mathcal{P}^* \vee \mathcal{Q}^* \subset (\mathcal{P} \vee \mathcal{Q})^*$ .
- (2)  $(\mathcal{P} \wedge \mathcal{Q})^* \subset \mathcal{P}^* \wedge \mathcal{Q}^*$ .
- (3) *If the set  $\{P \cup Q \mid P \in \mathcal{P}, Q \in \mathcal{Q}\}$  is a quasi-uniform base of  $\mathcal{Q} \wedge \mathcal{P}$ , then*
  - (a)  $\{(P \cup Q)^+ \mid P^+ \in \mathcal{P}^+, Q^+ \in \mathcal{Q}^+\} = \{P^+ \cup Q^+ \mid P^+ \in \mathcal{P}^+, Q^+ \in \mathcal{Q}^+\}$  and both are quasi-uniform bases. Consequently,  $\mathcal{Q}^+ \wedge \mathcal{P}^+ = (\mathcal{Q} \wedge \mathcal{P})^+$ .
  - (b)  $\{(P \cup Q)^- \mid P^- \in \mathcal{P}^-, Q^- \in \mathcal{Q}^-\} = \{P^- \cup Q^- \mid P^- \in \mathcal{P}^-, Q^- \in \mathcal{Q}^-\}$  and both are quasi-uniform bases. Consequently,  $\mathcal{Q}^- \wedge \mathcal{P}^- = (\mathcal{Q} \wedge \mathcal{P})^-$ .
  - (c)  $\{(P \cup Q)^* \mid P^* \in \mathcal{P}^*, Q^* \in \mathcal{Q}^*\} = \{P^* \cup Q^* \mid P^* \in \mathcal{P}^*, Q^* \in \mathcal{Q}^*\}$  are quasi-uniform bases and  $\mathcal{Q}^* \wedge \mathcal{P}^* = (\mathcal{Q} \wedge \mathcal{P})^*$ .
- (4) *In particular, we have*
  - (a)  $(\mathcal{Q}^*)^\vee \subset (\mathcal{Q}^\vee)^*$ .
  - (b)  $(\mathcal{Q}_\wedge)^* \subset (\mathcal{Q}^*)_\wedge$ .
  - (c) *When  $\{\top(Q) \cup Q \mid Q \in \mathcal{Q}\}$  is base of  $\mathcal{Q}_\wedge$  then  $(\mathcal{Q}^*)_\wedge = (\mathcal{Q}_\wedge)^*$ .*

The following proposition shows that the local symmetry is preserved for singletons.

**Proposition 2.6.** *Let  $(X, \mathcal{Q})$  be a weakly locally symmetric quasi-uniform space. Then:*

- a)  $(\mathcal{P}_0(X), \mathcal{Q}^-)$  is weakly locally symmetric at  $\{x\}$ ,  $\forall x \in X$ ;
- b)  $(\mathcal{P}_0(X), \mathcal{Q}^+)$  is weakly locally symmetric at  $\{x\}$ ,  $\forall x \in X$ ;
- c)  $(\mathcal{P}_0(X), \mathcal{Q}^*)$  is weakly locally symmetric at  $\{x\}$ ,  $\forall x \in X$ .

**Proof.** a) Fix  $\Omega \in \mathcal{Q}^-$ . There exists  $Q \in \mathcal{Q}$  such that  $Q^- \subset \Omega$ . For a  $x \in X$  there is a symmetric entourage  $S \in \mathcal{Q}$  such that  $S[x] \subset Q[x]$ .

Let  $B \in S^-[\{x\}]$ , then there is a  $b \in B$  such that

$$(x, b) \in S \text{ hence } (x, b) \in Q.$$

Therefore  $(\{x\}, B) \in Q^-$  and so  $B \in Q^-[\{x\}]$ .

b) Is analogous to a).

c) Follows from a) and b) because the supremum of a family of weakly locally symmetric quasi-uniformities is weakly locally symmetric.  $\diamond$

**Proposition 2.7.** *Let  $(X, \mathcal{Q})$  be a locally symmetric quasi-uniform space. We have:*

- a)  $(\mathcal{P}_0(X), \mathcal{Q}^-)$  is locally symmetric at  $\{x\}$ ,  $\forall x \in X$ .
- b)  $(\mathcal{P}_0(X), \mathcal{Q}^+)$  is locally symmetric at  $\{x\}$ ,  $\forall x \in X$ .
- c)  $(\mathcal{P}_0(X), \mathcal{Q}^*)$  is locally symmetric at  $\{x\}$ ,  $\forall x \in X$ .

**Proof.** a) Fix  $\mathcal{Q} \in \mathcal{Q}^-$ . There exists  $Q \in \mathcal{Q}$  such that  $Q^- \subset \mathcal{Q}$ . For a  $x \in X$  there is a symmetric entourage  $S \in \mathcal{Q}$  such that  $S \circ S[x] \subset Q[x]$ .

Let  $B \in S^- \circ S^-[\{x\}]$ , then there is a  $C \subset X$  such that

$$(\{x\}, C) \in S^- \text{ and } (C, B) \in S^-.$$

Then for each  $c \in C$  there is a  $b \in B$  such that

$$(x, c) \in S \text{ and } (c, b) \in S.$$

Hence, there is  $b \in B$  such that  $(x, b) \in S \circ S$  then  $(x, b) \in Q$ .

Therefore  $(\{x\}, B) \in Q^-$  and so  $B \in Q^-[\{x\}]$ .

b) Is analogous to a).

c) Follows from a) and b) because the supremum of family of locally symmetric quasi-uniformities is weakly locally symmetric.  $\diamond$

## 2.1. Hyperspaces with algebraic structures

If  $(X, +, \theta)$  is a monoid, then  $\mathcal{P}_0(X)$  is a monoid as well with respect to the internal operation

$$\begin{aligned} + : \mathcal{P}_0(X) \times \mathcal{P}_0(X) &\rightarrow \mathcal{P}_0(X) \\ (A, B) &\mapsto A + B \end{aligned}$$

and the neutral element  $\{\theta\}$ .

**Theorem 2.8.** *Let  $(X, +, \theta, \mathcal{Q})$  be a quasi-uniform monoid, then  $(\mathcal{P}_0(X), +, \{\theta\}, \mathcal{Q}^-)$ ,  $(\mathcal{P}_0(X), +, \{\theta\}, \mathcal{Q}^+)$  and  $(\mathcal{P}_0(X), +, \{\theta\}, \mathcal{Q}^*)$  are quasi-uniform monoids.*

**Proof.** Fix  $\mathcal{Q} \in \mathcal{Q}^+$ . There exists  $Q \in \mathcal{Q}$  such that  $Q^+ \subset \mathcal{Q}$ . Since  $+$  is uniformly continuous, there is an entourage  $P$  such that  $P + P \subset Q$ .

Observe that:

- if  $(A_1, B_1) \in Q^+$  then  $B_1 \subset P[A_1]$ ;
- if  $(A_2, B_2) \in Q^+$  then  $B_2 \subset P[A_2]$ .

Then

$$B_1 + B_2 \subset P[A_1] + P[A_2] \subset P[A_1 + A_2] \subset Q[B_1 + B_2].$$

Hence

$$P^+ + P^+ \subset Q^+.$$

In the same way it is easy to see that  $+$  is also uniformly continuous with respect to  $\mathcal{Q}^-$ .

Since  $+$  is uniformly continuous with respect  $\mathcal{Q}^+$  and  $\mathcal{Q}^-$ , by Prop. 1.1 it is also uniformly continuous with respect to  $\mathcal{Q}^*$ .  $\diamond$

Let  $(X, +, \theta, m)$  be a conoid. The external operation  $m$  can be extended to  $\mathcal{P}_0(X)$  in a natural manner:

$$\begin{aligned} m : \mathcal{P}_0(X) \times \mathbb{R}_+ &\rightarrow \mathcal{P}_0(X) \\ (A, \alpha) &\mapsto A \cdot \alpha \end{aligned}$$

The structure  $(\mathcal{P}_0(X), +, \{\theta\}, m)$  may not be a conoid, because, in general, property A.3 may fail.

Denote  $\mathcal{P}_c(X)$  be the collection of all convex members of  $\mathcal{P}_0(X)$ . By Rem. 1.3(2) the structure  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m)$  is a *conoid*. This is an important example of conoid. Observe that, since  $X + X = X$ , this conoid is not cancellative provided  $X \neq \{\theta\}$ .

Let  $\mathcal{Q}$  be a quasi-uniformity in a conoid  $(X, +, \theta, m)$ . We denote  $\mathcal{Q}_c^+$ ,  $\mathcal{Q}_c^-$  and  $\mathcal{Q}_c^*$  the induced quasi-uniformities on  $\mathcal{P}_c(X)$  by the quasi-uniformities  $\mathcal{Q}^+$ ,  $\mathcal{Q}^-$  and  $\mathcal{Q}^*$ .

The following result is a particular case of Th. 2.8.

**Corollary 2.9.** *Let  $(X, +, \theta, m, \mathcal{Q})$  be a quasi-uniform conoid, then  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^-)$ ,  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^+)$  and  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^*)$  are quasi-uniform conoids.*

**Proposition 2.10.** *Let  $(X, +, \theta, m)$  be a conoid, and  $\mathcal{Q}$  be a quasi-uniformity on  $X$ .*

- a) *If  $\mathcal{Q}$  is locally convex, then  $\mathcal{Q}_c^-$ ,  $\mathcal{Q}_c^+$  and  $\mathcal{Q}_c^*$  are locally convex.*
- b) *If  $\mathcal{Q}$  is locally balanced, then  $\mathcal{Q}_c^-$ ,  $\mathcal{Q}_c^+$  and  $\mathcal{Q}_c^*$  are locally balanced.*

**Proof.** a) Fix  $\mathfrak{P} \in \mathcal{Q}_c^+$ . There exists a convex  $P \in \mathcal{Q}$  such that  $P^+ \subset \mathfrak{P}$ . Fix  $(A_1, B_1), (A_2, B_2) \in P^+$ , we have that  $B_1 \subset P[A_1]$  and  $B_2 \subset P[A_2]$ .

For each  $b_1 \in B_1, b_2 \in B_2$  there is a  $a_1 \in A_1, a_2 \in A_2$  such that  $(a_1, b_1) \in P$  and  $(a_2, b_2) \in P$ ,

since  $P$  is a convex entourage then

$$(a_1 \cdot \alpha + a_2 \cdot \beta, b_1 \cdot \alpha + b_2 \cdot \beta) \in P \text{ with } \alpha + \beta = 1.$$

Therefore  $b_1 \cdot \alpha + b_2 \cdot \beta \in P[a_1 \cdot \alpha + a_2 \cdot \beta] \Rightarrow B_1 \cdot \alpha + B_2 \cdot \beta \in P[A_1 \cdot \alpha + A_2 \cdot \beta]$ .

Then

$$(A_1, B_1) \cdot \alpha + (A_2, B_2) \cdot \beta \in P^+ \text{ with } \alpha + \beta = 1.$$

In a similar way we can prove that the lower quasi-uniformity  $\mathcal{Q}_c^-$ , is locally convex too.

Since  $\mathcal{Q}_c^* = \mathcal{Q}_c^+ \vee \mathcal{Q}_c^-$ , then  $\mathcal{Q}_c^*$  has also a base consisting of convex sets.

b) Now we will prove that if  $P$  is a balanced entourage then  $P^+$  is also balanced. Let  $(A, B) \in P^+$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} B \subset P[A] &\Rightarrow \forall b \in B \exists a \in A \text{ such that} \\ (a, b) \in P &\Rightarrow (a \cdot t, b \cdot t) \in P, \forall t \in [0, 1], \end{aligned}$$

hence  $B \cdot t \subset P[A \cdot t]$  with  $t \in [0, 1]$ .

In a similar way we can prove that the lower quasi-uniformity is locally balanced too.

Since  $\mathcal{Q}_c^* = \mathcal{Q}_c^+ \vee \mathcal{Q}_c^-$ , then  $\mathcal{Q}_c^*$  has also a base consisting of balanced sets.  $\diamond$

In the following propositions we study the stability of the partial continuity of the action on the hyperspace  $\mathcal{P}_c(X)$ .

We begin with the maps  $m_\alpha : \mathcal{P}_c(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_c(X)$ .

**Proposition 2.11.** *Let  $(X, +, \theta, m)$  be a conoid and  $\mathcal{Q}$  be a quasi-uniformity for which  $m$  is  $C_{r, \theta}$ . Then  $m$  is  $C_{r, \{\theta\}}$  in the conoids  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^-)$ ,  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^+)$  and  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^*)$ .*

**Proof.** Fix  $Q \in \mathcal{Q}$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}_+$ . Since  $m_\alpha$  is  $\tau_{\mathcal{Q}}$ -continuous at  $\theta$ , there is a  $P \in \mathcal{Q}$  such that  $P[\theta] \cdot \alpha \subset Q[\theta]$ . Let  $B \subset P^-[\{\theta\}]$ , then there is  $b \in B$  such that

$$(\theta, b) \in P \Rightarrow (\theta, b \cdot \alpha) \in Q \Rightarrow \{\theta\} \subset \mathbb{T}(Q)[b \cdot \alpha].$$

Thus  $B \cdot \alpha \in \mathcal{Q}^-[\{\theta\}]$ .

In the same way we can prove that  $m_\alpha$  is  $\tau_{\mathcal{Q}^+}$ -continuous at  $\{\theta\}$ , and using the previous results and Prop. 1.1 we can conclude that  $m$  is also  $C_{r, \{\theta\}}$  in  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^*)$ .  $\diamond$

**Proposition 2.12.** *Let  $(X, +, \theta, m)$  be a conoid and  $\mathcal{Q}$  be a quasi-uniformity for which  $m$  is  $UC_r$ . Then  $m$  is  $UC_r$  in the conoids  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^-)$ ,  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^+)$  and  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^*)$ .*

**Proof.** Fix  $Q \in \mathcal{Q}$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}_+$ . Since  $m_\alpha$  is  $\mathcal{Q}$ -uniformly continuous, there is a entourage  $P$  such that  $P \cdot \alpha \subset Q$ .

If  $B \subset P[A]$  then for each  $b \in B$  there is a  $a \in A$  such that

$$(a, b) \in P \Rightarrow (a \cdot \alpha, b \cdot \alpha) \in Q \Rightarrow b \cdot \alpha \subset Q[a \cdot \alpha],$$

then

$$b \cdot \alpha \subset \bigcup_{a \in A} Q[a \cdot \alpha] = Q[A \cdot \alpha].$$

Hence  $B \cdot \alpha \subset Q[A \cdot \alpha]$ . Thus  $P^+ \cdot \alpha \subset Q^+$ .

The case  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^-)$  is analogous, and using the previous results and Prop. 1.1, we can prove that  $m$  is  $UC_r$  in  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^*)$ .  $\diamond$

Now we study the maps  $m_A : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_c(X)$ ,  $A \in \mathcal{P}_c(X)$ .

**Proposition 2.13.** *Let  $(X, +, \theta, m)$  be a conoid and  $\mathcal{Q}$  a quasi-uniformity on  $X$ . If  $m$  is  $C_{\ell,0}$  then*

a)  $m$  is  $C_{\ell,0}$  in  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^-)$ .

b) If  $(X, \mathcal{Q})$  is a locally balanced, precompact quasi-uniform space, then:

i)  $m$  is  $C_{\ell,0}$  in  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^+)$ ;

ii)  $m$  is  $C_{\ell,0}$  in  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^*)$ .

**Proof.** a) Let  $A$  be a non-empty convex subset of  $X$ , and fix  $Q \in \mathcal{Q}$ . Let  $x \in A$ . As  $m_x$  is  $\tau_{\mathcal{Q}}$ -continuous at 0, there is  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that  $(\theta, x \cdot t) \in Q$ ,  $\forall t \in [0, \varepsilon[$ . Then

$$\{\theta\} \subset \top(Q)[A \cdot t], \forall t \in [0, \varepsilon[,$$

hence

$$A \cdot t \in Q^-[\{\theta\}], \forall t \in [0, \varepsilon[.$$

b) i) Let  $A$  be a convex subset of  $X$ . Fix  $P \in \mathcal{Q}$ . There is a balanced entourage  $Q$  such that  $Q \circ Q \subset P$ . Since  $(X, \mathcal{Q})$  is precompact, there is a finite subset  $F = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\} \subset X$  such that  $A \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n Q[x_i]$ .

Since for  $i \leq n$  the map  $m_{x_i}$  is continuous, there is  $\varepsilon_{x_i} \in ]0, 1[$  such that

$$(\theta, x_i \cdot t) \in Q, \forall t \in [0, \varepsilon_{x_i}[.$$

Put  $\varepsilon = \min\{\varepsilon_{x_i} \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ .

For all  $x \in A$ , there is  $i \leq n$  such that  $(x_i, x) \in Q$ . Since  $\mathcal{Q}$  is balanced,

$$(x_i \cdot t, x \cdot t) \in Q, \forall t \in [0, \varepsilon] \subset [0, 1].$$

Since  $m_{x_i}$  is continuous,  $(\theta, x_i \cdot t) \in Q, \forall t \in [0, \varepsilon] \subset [0, \varepsilon_{x_i}]$ . Thus

$$\forall x \in A, \forall t \in [0, \varepsilon], \quad (\theta, x \cdot t) \in Q \circ Q \subset P,$$

and so,  $A \cdot t \subset P[\{\theta\}]$  and  $A \cdot t \in P^+[\{\theta\}]$ .

ii) This item is a consequence of the last statements and Prop. 1.1.  $\diamond$

**Proposition 2.14.** *Let  $(X, +, \theta, m, \mathcal{Q})$  be a uniform conoid.*

a)  $m$  is  $C_{\ell,0}$  in  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^-)$  if and only if  $m$  is  $UC_{\ell}$  in  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^-)$ .

b)  $m$  is  $C_{\ell,0}$  in  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^+)$  if and only if  $m$  is  $UC_{\ell}$  in  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^+)$ .

c)  $m$  is  $C_{\ell,0}$  in  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^*)$  if and only if  $m$  is  $UC_{\ell}$  in  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^*)$ .

**Proof.** The statements follow from Prop. 1.6(e).  $\diamond$

**Corollary 2.15.** *Let  $(X, +, \theta, m, \mathcal{Q})$  be a uniform conoid. If  $m$  is  $C_{\ell,0}$ , then*

a)  $m$  is  $UC_{\ell}$  in  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^-)$ .

b) *If  $(X, \mathcal{Q})$  is a locally balanced, precompact quasi-uniform space, then:*

i)  $m$  is  $UC_{\ell}$  in  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^+)$ ;

ii)  $m$  is  $UC_{\ell}$  in  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^*)$ .

**Proof.** The statements follows from Props. 2.13 and 2.14.  $\diamond$

At last we study the joint continuity of the action

$$m : \mathcal{P}_c(X) \times \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_c(X).$$

**Proposition 2.16.** *Let  $(X, +, \theta, m)$  be a conoid and  $\mathcal{Q}$  a quasi-uniformity on  $X$  for which  $m$  is  $JC_{(\theta,0)}$ . Then  $m$  is  $JC_{(\{\theta\},0)}$  in the conoids  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^-)$ ,  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^+)$  and  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, \{\theta\}, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^*)$ .*

**Proof.** Fix  $Q \in \mathcal{Q}$ . Since  $m$  is continuous at  $(\theta, 0)$ , there are  $P \in \mathcal{Q}$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that

$$P[\theta] \cdot t \subset Q[\theta], \quad \forall t \in [0, \varepsilon[.$$

Let  $B \subset P^-[\{\theta\}]$ . There is  $b \in B$  such that

$$(\theta, b) \in P \Rightarrow (\theta, b \cdot t) \in Q \Rightarrow \{\theta\} \subset \top(Q)[b \cdot t], \quad \forall t \in [0, \varepsilon[.$$

Thus

$$B \cdot t \subset Q^-[\{\theta\}], \quad \forall t \in [0, \varepsilon[.$$

The others cases are analogous.  $\diamond$

**Open questions 2.17.** Let  $(X, +, m, \mathcal{Q})$  be a quasi-uniform conoid.

(1) If  $m$  is  $C_r$  in  $(X, +, m, \mathcal{Q})$  can we say that  $m$  is  $C_r$  in  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^-)$ ,  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^+)$  or  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^*)$ ?

(2) If  $m$  is  $JC$  in  $(X, +, m, \mathcal{Q})$  can we say that  $m$  is  $JC$  in  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^-)$ ,  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^+)$  or  $(\mathcal{P}_c(X), +, m, \mathcal{Q}_c^*)$ ?

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