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# ANCHORED HYPERSPACES AND MULTIGRAPHS

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ABSTRACT. Consider a multigraph X as a metric space and  $p \in X$ . The anchored hyperspace at p is the set

 $C_p(X) = \{A \subseteq X : p \in A, A \text{ connected and compact}\}.$ 

In this paper we prove that  $C_p(X)$  is a polytope, considering the Hausdorff metric H. And reciprocally, if X is a locally connected and compact metric space such that  $C_p(X)$  is a polytope, for each  $p \in X$ , then Xmust be a multigraph.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

We say that S is a face of a n-cell  $M = [0,1]^n$  if  $S = S_1 \times S_2 \times \cdots \times S_n$ , where either  $S_i = [0,1]$ , or  $S_i = \{0\}$ , or  $S_i = \{1\}$  and for at least one  $i, S_i \neq [0,1]$ . For example  $[0,1]^2$  has eight faces:  $\{0\} \times \{0\}, \{1\} \times \{1\}, \{0\} \times \{1\}, \{1\} \times \{0\}, \{0\} \times [0,1], [0,1] \times \{0\}, [0,1] \times \{0\}, \{0\} \times [0,1], [0,1] \times \{0\}, [0,1] \times \{1\}, \{1\} \times [0,1]$ . In general  $[0,1]^n$  has  $3^n - 1$  faces. A polytope is a metric space which can be written as a finite union of finite-dimensional cells such that the intersection of any two of them is either empty or a union of faces. A multigraph is a polytope whose cells are 1-cells and 0-cells.

**Remark 1.1.** Is a well-known fact that the faces of a *n*-cell is itself a polytope.

If X is a metric space and  $p \in X$ , the anchored hyperspace  $C_p(X)$  is the subspace  $2^X = \{A \subseteq X : A \neq \emptyset, A \text{ closed}\}$ , whose elements are all compact and connected subsets of X containing p. We say that a metric space X is Cpp if  $C_p(X)$  is a polytope for each  $p \in X$ . Next, some results that will be useful for our purposes (see [7]).

A family  $\{A_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}}$  of sets in a topological space X is called *neighborhood* finite, (*nbd-finite* for short) if each point of X has a neighborhood V such that  $V \cap A_{\alpha} \neq \emptyset$  for at most finite indices  $\alpha$ .

Let X be a topological space and  $\{A_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}}$  a covering of X such that either:

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(1) The sets  $A_{\alpha}$  are all open.

(2) The sets  $A_{\alpha}$  are all closed and form a nbd-finite family.

For each  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$  let  $f_{\alpha} : A_{\alpha} \to Y$  be continuous and assume that  $f_{\alpha}|_{A_{\alpha} \cap A_{\beta}} = f_{\beta}|_{A_{\alpha} \cap A_{\beta}}$  for each  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{A}$ , then there exists a unique continuous map  $f : X \to Y$  which is an extension of each  $f_{\alpha}$ .

Let  $\{B_{\alpha}\}$  be an open, or a closed nbd-finite covering of Y. Let  $f : X \to Y$  be continuous and assume that for each  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $f|_{f^{-1}(B_{\alpha})}$  is a homeomorphism of  $f^{-1}(B_{\alpha})$  and  $B_{\alpha}$ . Then X is homeomorphic to Y.

The free union X + Y of disjoint topological spaces X, Y is the set  $X \cup Y$ with topology:  $U \subset X + Y$  is open if and only if  $U \cap X$  is open in X and  $U \cap Y$  is open in Y. Since  $X \cap Y = \emptyset$ , clearly  $B \subset X + Y$  is closed if and only if  $B \cap X$  is closed in X and  $B \cap Y$  is closed in Y.

**Lemma 1.2** (Transgression Theorem). Let  $p: X \to Y$  be an identification map and  $h: X \to Z$  continuous. Assume that  $hp^{-1}$  is single-valued (that is, h is constant on each fiber  $p^{-1}(y)$ ). Then  $hp^{-1}: Y \to Z$  is continuous, and in addition, the diagram



is commutative.

Let X and Y be two disjoint spaces,  $A \subset X$  a closed subset, and  $f : A \to Y$  continuous. In X + Y, generate an equivalence relation R by  $a \sim f(a)$  for each  $a \in A$ . The quotient space (X + Y)/R is said to be "X attached to Y" and is written  $X \cup_f Y$ ; f is called the *attaching* map.

We also need the following results (see [7])

**Lemma 1.3.** Let  $p : X + Y \to X \cup_f Y$  be the projection map, and let  $C \subset X + Y$  be such that  $C \cap X$  is closed in X. Then p(C) is closed in  $X \cup_f Y$  if and only if  $(C \cap Y) \cup f(C \cap A)$  is closed in Y.

**Lemma 1.4.** Let  $Q: X + Y \to X \cup_f Y$  be the projection map. Then Y is embedded as a closed set in  $X \cup_f Y$  and  $Q|_Y$  is an embedding.

### 2. Polytopes

In modern times, polytopes and their related concepts have important applications in computer graphics, optimization and many other fields ([3], [2], [10], [13]).

**Proposition 2.1.** Let  $Q: X + Y \to X \cup_f Y$  be the projection map, with X compact and Y a Hausdorff space. If f embeds A in a closed set f(A) of Y, then X is embedded as a closed subset of  $X \cup_f Y$  and  $Q|_X$  is an embedding.

*Proof.* The map  $Q|_X$  is obviously continuous and one-to-one. Now, let  $C \subset X$  be closed, then  $(C \cap Y) \cup f(C \cap A) = f(C \cap A)$  is closed in f(A), as

this set is closed in Y we have that  $(C \cap Y) \cup f(C \cap A)$  is closed in Y. It follows by Lemma 1.3 that Q(C) is closed in  $X \cup_f Y$  and therefore  $Q|_X$  is an embedding.  $\Box$ 

**Proposition 2.2.** Let  $X = C_1 \cup C_2 \cup \cdots \cup C_n$  and  $Y = D_1 \cup D_2 \cup \cdots \cup D_n$ be disjoint spaces and  $f: X \to Y$  a homeomorphism such that:

- (1) For each i, the space  $C_i$  is a finite-dimensional cell,
- (2) for each pair i, j we have  $C_i \cap C_j$  is empty or is a union of faces,
- (3) for each i, we have that  $f(C_i) = D_i$ ,
- (4) suppose we have chosen for each cell  $C_i$  a face  $\mathcal{F}C_i$  (and therefore for each cell  $D_i$  we have chosen a face  $\mathcal{F}D_i = f(\mathcal{F}C_i)$ ).

If g is the restriction of f to  $\mathcal{F}(C_1) \cup \cdots \cup \mathcal{F}(C_n)$ , then the space  $X \cup_g Y$  is a finite union of cells where each two have empty intersection or is a finite union of faces.

Proof. Let  $\mathfrak{X} = \mathfrak{C}_1 \cup \mathfrak{C}_2 \cup \ldots \mathfrak{C}_n$  and  $\mathfrak{Y} = \mathfrak{D}_1 \cup \mathfrak{D}_2 \cup \ldots \mathfrak{D}_n$  be homeomorphic copies of X and Y contained in  $X \cup_f Y$  whose existence is ensured by Lemma 1.4 and Proposition 2.1, where  $Q(C_i) = \mathfrak{C}_i$ ,  $Q(D_i) = \mathfrak{D}_i$ ,  $Q(\mathcal{F}C_i) = \mathcal{F}\mathfrak{C}_i$ , and  $Q(\mathcal{D}_i) = \mathcal{F}\mathfrak{D}_i$ . Evidently for each pair i, j the set  $\mathfrak{C}_i \cap \mathfrak{C}_i$  is empty or is union of faces and the same occurs with the sets  $\mathfrak{D}_i \cap \mathfrak{D}_j$ . Now, if  $x \in \mathfrak{C}_i \cap \mathfrak{D}_j$ , then there exists  $a \in \mathcal{F}C_i$  such that x = [a] = [f(a)] and  $f(a) \in D_j \cap \mathcal{F}D_i$ , therefore  $[f(a)] = x \in \mathfrak{D}_j \cap \mathcal{F}\mathfrak{D}_i$ , this shows that  $\mathfrak{C}_i \cap \mathfrak{D}_j \subset \mathfrak{D}_j \cap \mathcal{F}\mathfrak{D}_i$ . On the other hand, if  $x \in \mathfrak{D}_j \cap \mathcal{F}\mathfrak{D}_i$ , then  $x \in \mathcal{F}\mathfrak{D}_i$ . It follows that there is a point  $a \in \mathcal{F}C_i$  such that [a] = [f(a)] = x therefore  $x \in \mathcal{F}\mathfrak{C}_i$ , which shows that  $x \in \mathfrak{C}_i \cap \mathfrak{D}_j$  and therefore  $\mathfrak{C}_i \cap \mathfrak{D}_j = \mathfrak{D}_j \cap \mathcal{F}\mathfrak{D}_i$ .

As well, we have  $D_j \cap \mathcal{F}D_i \subset D_j \cap D_i = F_1 \cup F_2 \cup \ldots F_m$  where each  $F_i$  is a face by (2). On the other hand  $D_j \cap \mathcal{F}D_i = D_j \cap (D_i \cap \mathcal{F}D_i) = (D_i \cap D_j) \cap \mathcal{F}D_i = (F_1 \cup F_2 \cup \ldots F_m) \cap \mathcal{F}D_i$ , by Remark 1.1 this last expression is a union of faces and therefore  $\mathfrak{D}_j \cap \mathcal{F}\mathfrak{D}_i$  is union of faces, that is,  $\mathfrak{C}_i \cap \mathfrak{D}_j$  is union of faces. Finally, since the projection map Q is surjective, we have  $Q(X+Y) = Q(X) \cup Q(Y) = \mathfrak{X} \cup \mathfrak{Y} = \mathfrak{C}_1 \cup \mathfrak{C}_2 \cup \cdots \mathfrak{C}_n \cup \mathfrak{D}_1 \cup \mathfrak{D}_2 \cup \cdots \mathfrak{D}_n$ .  $\Box$ 

The following properties concerning polytopes are useful in general.

# Proposition 2.3.

- (1) If the components of a space are polyhedra, then the components of a union of its faces are polyhedra.
- (2) If a subset of the cells forming a polytope are taken, then the components of their union are polyhedra.
- *Proof.* (1) Let  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  be two faces of cells  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  in a same component of X. If  $F_1 \cap F_2$  is nonempty, either  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  is a common face of  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ , or one is contained in other or  $F_1 \cap F_2$  is a union of (in a manner of speaking) "lower dimensional subfaces".
  - (2) Each two such cells (with no empty intersection) intersects in the whole space in a union of their faces, so they intersect in each component of such a union.

**Remark 2.4.** If two polytopes are joined by some of their faces then this new space is a polytope.

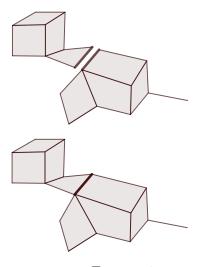


FIGURE 1

Multigraphs have been an object of study for several years, and recently there are many works on the subject (see, for example, [1], [5], [8]). Particularly, there are works in multigraphs viewed as metric spaces (see, [4], [14]).

In [6], R. Duda studied the characterization of the hyperspaces C(G)when G is a connected multigraph. As previously mentioned, a multigraph is a polytope whose cells are arcs or points, these arcs are called *edges*, also a closed curve J is called an *edge* provided this closed curve contains a unique ramification point, these edges are called *loops*. We identify the end points of an edge with  $0_J$  and  $1_J$  respectively, if this edge is a loop we assume  $0_J = 1_J$ (that is to say, in a loop end points coincide) is the unique ramification point in J. Given any multigraph G, a subgraph of G is a subspace formed for some edges and this subspace is itself a multigraph. A simple vertex is considered to be a subgraph of G. A tree is a subgraph not containing simple closed curves, an *internal tree* is a tree not containing terminal points of G, and therefore its terminal points are ramification points in G. Let AI(G) denote the set of all internal trees of G. We establish that E(G), V(G), O(G), R(G), and T(G), denote the sets of edges, vertices, ordinary points, ramification points, and terminal points, respectively. Given an internal tree T of G, we regard those edges J such that  $J \cap T \neq \emptyset$  and J is not subset of T. Let us divide these edges in two types:  $J_1, \ldots, J_n$  and  $L_1, \ldots, L_m$ , where each edge  $J_i$  has just one extreme (say  $0_J$ ) in T and it is not a loop. The edges  $L_j$  are those whose two extreme points are in T, including the loops whose ramification point is in T. We define

$$D(1,T) = T \cup (\bigcup_{i=1}^{n} J_i) \cup (\bigcup_{j=1}^{m} L_j),$$

and we say that this is the *canonical representation* of D(1,T). Given an internal tree  $T \subset G$ , let  $\mathfrak{M}(T)$  be the family of all connected compact subsets of G of the form

$$((c_i)_{i=1}^n, (a_j, b_j)_{j=1}^m)_T = T \cup (\bigcup_{i=1}^n [0_{j_i}, c_i]) \cup (\bigcup_{j=1}^m [0_{L_j}, a_j] \cup [b_j, 1_j]),$$

where  $c_i \in J_i$  and  $a_j, b_j \in L_j$ ,  $[0_{j_i}, c_i]$  is the subarc of  $J_i$  joining  $0_{J_i}$  with  $c_i$ ,  $[0_{L_j}, a_j]$  is the subarc of  $J_i$  joining  $0_{L_j}$  with  $a_j$  and  $[b_j, 1_{L_j}]$  is the subarc of  $L_j$  joining  $b_j$  with  $1_{L_j}$ .

We have the following lemma (for more details and proofs see [6]).

Lemma 2.5. Let G be a connected multigraph, then

- (i) For each internal tree  $T \subset G$ , the family  $\mathfrak{M}(T)$  is a (n+2m)-cell.
- (ii) The hyperspace of connected compact subsets of G is

$$C(G) = [\bigcup_{T \in AI(G)} \mathfrak{M}(T)] \cup [\bigcup_{I \in E(G)} C(I)]$$

It is a well-known fact that  $C(S^1) \cong C([0,1]) \cong [0,1]^2$  (see [6]) and therefore  $C(I) \cong [0,1]^2$  for each edge  $I \in E(G)$ .

The following lemma is proved in [6].

**Lemma 2.6.** Let G be a connected multigraph, then.

- (i) Two sets of the form  $\mathfrak{M}(T)$  intersect at some of their faces.
- (ii) Two sets of the form C(I) (where  $I \in E(G)$ ) intersect at some of their faces.
- (iii) A set of the form  $\mathfrak{M}(T)$  and one of the form C(I) intersect at some of their faces.

Since the set AI(G) and the set E(G) are finite, using the previous lemma, the following theorem follows.

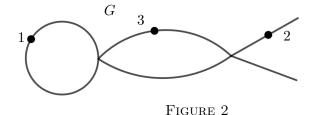
**Theorem 2.7** ([6]). A connected compact metric space G is a multigraph, if and only if C(G) is a polytope.

# 3. Multigraphs and their anchored hyperspaces

Notice that if G is a multigraph and C the component of G containing p, then  $C_p(G) = C_p(C)$ . Therefore throughout this work we will assume all our multigraphs are connected. If G is a multigraph and  $p \in G$ , there are three possibilities (see Figure 2).

(1) The point p is in a loop L of G and  $p \neq 0_L$ ,

- (2) there exists a terminal edge J which is not a loop such that  $p \in J$ and  $p \neq 0_J$ ,
- (3) if neither p is in a loop nor in a terminal edge, then there exists an internal tree T such that  $p \in D(1, T)$ .



In the first case, let  $\mathcal{L}_1$  be one of the two arcs in L connecting  $0_L$  with p and let  $\mathcal{L}_2$  be the other one. Define  $\Gamma_1 = \{T \in AI(G) : 0_L \in T\}$ . For  $T \in \Gamma_1$ , if  $D(1,T) = T \cup (\bigcup_{i=1}^n J_i) \cup (\bigcup_{j=1}^m L_j)$  is the canonical representation of D(1,T) we will always assume, without loss of generality, that  $L = L_1$ . Let  $\mathfrak{M}_p^1(T)$  be the family of all those connected compact subsets of the form:

$$(T \cup \mathcal{L}_1) \cup ([p, a_1] \cup [b_1, 1_L]) \cup (\bigcup_{i=1}^n [0_{J_i}, c_i]) \cup (\bigcup_{j=2}^m [0_{L_j}, a_j] \cup [b_j, 1_{L_j}]),$$

where  $a_1, b_1 \in \mathcal{L}_2, c_i \in J_i, a_j, b_j \in L_j$ .

**Lemma 3.1** ([12]). Let  $f : X \to Y$  be a continuous map into a compact connected metric space Y, then  $\hat{f} : C(X) \to C(Y)$  defined by

$$\hat{f}(A) = f(A)$$
 for each  $A \in C(X)$ ,

is continuous.

**Proposition 3.2.** For each  $T \in \Gamma_1$ , the family  $\mathfrak{M}_p^1(T)$  is homeomorphic to the (n+2m)-cell,  $\mathfrak{M}(T) = T \cup (\bigcup_{i=1}^n [0_{j_i}, c_i]) \cup (\bigcup_{j=1}^m [0_{L_j}, a_j] \cup [b_j, 1_j])$  in Lemma 2.5 (i).

*Proof.* Indeed, let  $G_{\mathcal{L}_1} = G/\mathcal{L}_1$  be the space obtained from G by identifying  $\mathcal{L}_1$  to  $0_L$ . Then  $G_{\mathcal{L}_1}$  is homeomorphic to G as shown below: Let  $Q : G \to G_{\mathcal{L}_1}$  be the projection map and  $f : G \to G$  defined as follows:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & x \in \overline{G - L}, \\ 0_L & x \in \mathcal{L}_1, \\ g(x) & x \in \mathcal{L}_2, \end{cases}$$

where  $g : \mathcal{L}_2 \to L$  is a continuous map such that  $g(p) = 0_L = g(0_L)$  and restricted to  $\mathcal{L}_2 - \{p, 0_L\}$  is one-to-one; hence f is continuous. Now, f is constant in each  $Q^{-1}([x])$  and conversely Q is constant in each  $f^{-1}(x)$ , it follows from Lemma 1.2 that  $f \circ Q^{-1}$  and  $Q \circ f^{-1}$  are continuous and being mutual inverses, it follows that G and  $G_{\mathcal{L}_1}$  are homeomorphic.

If  $T \in \Gamma_1$ , then Q(T) is an internal tree containing  $[0_L]$ . Since G is connected and compact,  $G_{\mathcal{L}_1}$  is also connected and compact. It follows from Lemma 3.1 that  $\hat{Q} : C(G) \to C(G_{\mathcal{L}_1})$  defined by  $\hat{Q}(A) = Q(A)$  is continuous. For each  $T \in \Gamma_1$  the map  $\hat{Q}$  is one-to-one on the set  $\mathfrak{M}_p^1(T)$ , which shows that  $\hat{Q}_T = \hat{Q}|_{\mathfrak{M}_p^1(T)}$  is a homemorphism between  $\mathfrak{M}_p^1(T)$  and  $\mathfrak{M}(Q(T))$ . Since  $\mathfrak{M}(Q(T))$  is homeomorphic to  $\mathfrak{M}(T)$  the proposition follows.  $\Box$ 

Similarly for each  $T \in \Gamma_1$ , we can define  $\mathfrak{M}_p^2(T)$  as the family of all connected compact subsets of the form:

$$(T \cup \mathcal{L}_2) \cup ([p, a_1] \cup [b_1, 1_L]) \cup (\bigcup_{i=1}^n [0_{J_i}, c_i]) \cup (\bigcup_{j=2}^m [0_{L_j}, a_j] \cup [b_j, 1_j]),$$

where  $a_1, b_1 \in \mathcal{L}_1$ , and therefore the next lemma follows.

**Lemma 3.3.** For each  $T \in \Gamma_1$  the family  $\mathfrak{M}_p^2(T)$  is a finite-dimensional cell.

If p is a point satisfying Theorem 2.7, (2), let  $0_J$  and  $1_J$  be the endpoints of the edge  $J = J_1$ , where  $1_J$  is the terminal vertex of G and let  $\Gamma_2$  be the set of all internal trees T of G such that  $0_J \in T$ . In this case, for each  $T \in \Gamma_2$ , let  $\mathfrak{N}_n^3(T)$  be the family of all connected compact subsets of G of the form

$$T \cup (\bigcup_{i=1}^{n} [0_{J_i}, c_i]) \cup (\bigcup_{j=1}^{m} [0_{L_j}, a_j] \cup [b_j, 1_{L_j}])),$$

where  $c_i \in J_i$ , for  $i = 2, ..., n, a_j, b_j \in L_j$  for j = 1, ..., m and  $c_1 \in [p, 1_J]$ . As in the above case, a similar analysis shows that  $\mathfrak{N}_p^3(T)$  is a finite-dimensional cell, and therefore we have the following lemma:

**Lemma 3.4.** If  $T \in \Gamma_2$ , then  $\mathfrak{N}^3_p(T)$  is a finite-dimensional cell.

If p is a point satisfying Theorem 2.7, (3) consider the set  $\Gamma_3$ , whose members are all the internal trees of G which  $p \in T$ . For each  $T \in \Gamma_3$ , consider the cell  $\mathfrak{M}(T)$  (Lemma 2.5 (i)). Evidently, each of these cells is contained in  $C_p(G)$ , whereby the following lemma is trivially true.

**Lemma 3.5.** If G is a multigraph and  $T \in \Gamma_3$ , then the cell  $\mathfrak{M}(T)$  is a subspace of  $C_p(G)$ .

Let J be the edge containing p, and u and v the endpoints of J. Denote  $\mathcal{L}_1$  the subarc of J containing u and p as endpoints and denote  $\mathcal{L}_2$  the subarc of J containing p and v as endpoints. Let  $G/\mathcal{L}_1$  and  $G/\mathcal{L}_2$  be the quotient spaces obtained from G identifying the arcs  $\mathcal{L}_1$  and  $\mathcal{L}_2$  at one point, respectively.

**Proposition 3.6.** The hyperspaces C(G),  $C(G/\mathcal{L}_1)$  and  $C(G/\mathcal{L}_2)$  are homeomorphic.

*Proof.* As in Proposition 3.2 if  $Q: G \to G/\mathcal{L}_1$  is the projection map and  $f: \mathcal{L}_2 \to J$  is a homeomorphism such that f(p) = u and f(v) = v, then define  $h_0: G \to G$  by

$$h_0(x) = \begin{cases} u & x \in \mathcal{L}_1, \\ f(x) & x \in \mathcal{L}_2, \\ x & x \in \overline{G-J}. \end{cases}$$

We have by Lemma 1.2 that maps  $h_0 \circ Q^{-1}$  and  $Q \circ h_0^{-1}$  are continuous, and being mutual inverses, we have that G and  $G/\mathcal{L}_1$  are homeomorphic graphs. By Lemma 3.1 we have that  $\psi_1 = h_0 \circ Q^{-1}$  is a homeomorphism between  $C(G/\mathcal{L}_1)$  and C(G).

Now, consider the space  $G/\mathcal{L}_2$  obtained from G identifying  $\mathcal{L}_2$  at one point. Let  $R : G \to G/\mathcal{L}_2$  be the projection map, and  $g : \mathcal{L}_1 \to J$  a homeomorphism such that g(p) = v and g(u) = u, then, for the map  $h_1 : G \to G$  defined by:

$$h_1(x) = \begin{cases} v & x \in \mathcal{L}_2, \\ g(x) & x \in \mathcal{L}_1, \\ x & x \in \overline{G-J}, \end{cases}$$

again, by Lemma 1.2, the maps  $h_1 \circ R^{-1}$  and  $R \circ h_1^{-1}$  are continuous, and being mutual inverses, we have that G and  $G/\mathcal{L}_2$  are homeomorphic. By Lemma 3.1,  $\psi_2 = h_1 \circ R^{-1}$  is a homeomorphism between  $C(G/\mathcal{L}_2)$  and C(G).

Now, let  $\Gamma_4$  be the set of all those internal trees T for which  $p \in D(1, T) - (T \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^n J_i)$ , where  $T \cup (\bigcup_{i=1}^n J_i) \cup (\bigcup_{j=1}^m L_j)$  is the canonical representation of D(1,T) and, without loss of generality, we will always assume that  $p \in L_1$ .

If  $H \in \Gamma_4$ , denote  $\mathfrak{K}_p^1(H)$  the subspace of  $C_p(G)$  whose members are all connected compact subsets of G of the form:

$$(H \cup \mathcal{L}_1) \cup ([p, a_1] \cup [b_1, 1_{L_1}]) \cup (\bigcup_{i=1}^n [0_{J_i}, c_i]) \cup (\bigcup_{j=2}^m [0_{L_j}, a_j] \cup [b_j, 1_{L_j}])),$$

where,  $a_1, b_1 \in \mathcal{L}_2$ , for j = 2, ..., m we have  $a_j, b_j \in L_j$  and, for i = 1, ..., nwe have  $c_i \in J_i$ ; Figure 3 shows a typical element of  $\mathfrak{K}_p^1(H)$ . Similarly, given  $H \in \Gamma_4$ , let  $\mathfrak{K}_p^2(H)$  denote the subspace of  $C_p(G)$  whose members are all those connected compact subsets in the form:

$$(H \cup \mathcal{L}_2) \cup ([0_{L_1}, a_1] \cup [b_1, p]) \cup (\bigcup_{i=1}^n [0_{J_i}, c_i]) \cup (\bigcup_{j=2}^m [0_{L_j}, a_j] \cup [b_j, 1_{L_j}])).$$

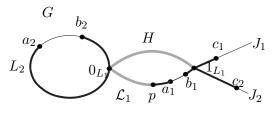


FIGURE 3

**Proposition 3.7.** For each internal tree  $H \in \Gamma_4$ , the spaces  $\mathfrak{K}_p^1(H)$  and  $\mathfrak{K}_p^2(H)$  of  $C_p(G)$  are finite-dimensional cells.

Proof. For each  $H \in \Gamma_4$ , if  $\hat{Q}$  and  $\hat{R}$  are the induced maps of Q and R in the proof of Proposition 3.6, then the maps  $\sigma_H : \mathfrak{K}_p^1(H) \to \mathfrak{M}(\hat{Q}(H))$  and  $\rho_H : \mathfrak{K}_p^2(H) \to \mathfrak{M}(\hat{R}(H))$  given by  $\sigma_H(A) = \hat{Q}(A)$  and  $\rho_H(A) = \hat{R}(A)$  are homeomorphisms.

In order to continue building the cells that will endow a polytope structure to  $C_p(G)$ , suppose that p lies in a nonterminal edge J of G with endpoints, say u and v. Now, let  $\Gamma_5$  be the set of all internal trees M of G for which, if  $M \cup (\bigcup_{i=1}^n J_i) \cup (\bigcup_{j=1}^m L_j)$  is the canonical representation of D(1, M), then for some index i (which we always assume without loss of generality that i = 1) we have  $J_1 = J$  and if  $0_{j_1}$  is the only point of  $M \cap J_1$ , then  $0_{J_1} = u$ .

Given  $M \in \Gamma_5$ , let  $\mathfrak{M}_p(M)$  be the family of all connected compact subsets of  $C_p(G)$  whose members have the form:

$$(M \cup \mathcal{L}_1 \cup [p, c_1]) \cup (\bigcup_{i=2}^n [0_{J_i}, c_i]) \cup (\bigcup_{j=1}^m ([0_{L_j}, a_j] \cup [b_j, 1_{L_j}]),$$

where  $c_1 \in \mathcal{L}_2$ , for  $i \in \{2, ..., n\}$   $c_i \in J_i$  and for  $j \in \{1, ..., m\}$   $a_j, b_j \in L_j$ . Figure 4 shows a typical element of  $\mathfrak{M}_p(M)$ , where  $M = \{u\}$ .

We now define  $\Gamma_6$  as the set of all those internal trees  $N \subset G$  such that, if  $N \cup (\bigcup_{i=1}^n J_i) \cup (\bigcup_{j=1}^m L_j)$  is the canonical representation of D(1, N), then, for some index i (which we always assume without loss of generality that i = 1) we have  $J = J_1$  and if  $0_{J_1}$  is the only point in  $N \cap J_1$ , then  $0_{J_1} = v$ .

Given  $N \in \Gamma_6$ , let  $\mathfrak{N}_p(N)$  be the subspace of  $C_p(G)$  whose members are those connected compact subsets in the form:

$$(M \cup \mathcal{L}_2 \cup [p, c_1]) \cup (\bigcup_{i=2}^n [0_{J_i}, c_i]) \cup (\bigcup_{j=1}^m ([0_{L_j}, a_j] \cup [b_j, 1_{L_j}]),$$

where  $c_1 \in \mathcal{L}_1$ , for  $i \in \{2, \ldots, n\}$   $c_i \in J_i$ , and for  $j \in \{1, \ldots, m\}$   $a_j, b_j \in L_j$ .

**Lemma 3.8.** For each  $M \in \Gamma_5$  the space  $\mathfrak{M}_p(M)$  is a finite-dimensional cell. Also, if  $N \in \Gamma_6$ , then, the space  $\mathfrak{N}_p(N)$  is a finite-dimensional cell.

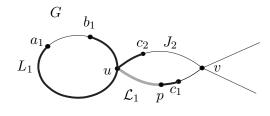


FIGURE 4

Proof. For each  $M \in \Gamma_5$ , the map  $\beta_M : \mathfrak{M}_p(M) \to \mathfrak{M}(\hat{Q}(M))$  defined by  $\beta_M(A) = \hat{Q}(A)$ , where  $\hat{Q}$  is the induced map of Proposition 3.6 is a homeomorphism. Since  $\mathfrak{M}(\hat{Q}(M))$  is a finite-dimensional cell,  $\mathfrak{M}_p(M)$  is also a finite-dimensional cell.

Similarly, the map  $\lambda_N : \mathfrak{N}_p(N) \to \mathfrak{M}(\hat{R}(N))$  defined by  $\lambda_N(A) = \hat{R}(A)$ , where  $\hat{R}$  is as in Proposition 3.6 is a homeomorphism.

### 4. Multigraphs are CPP connected compact spaces

Recall that a space is Cpp if all its anchored hyperspaces are polytopes. In this section, we prove that multigraphs, are Cpp connected compact spaces. In the next theorem we assume G is not an arc or a closed simple curve.

### **Theorem 4.1.** Multigraphs are Cpp connected compact spaces.

*Proof.* We have three cases from Section 3, in each case,  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2, \Gamma_3, \Gamma_4, \Gamma_5$ , and  $\Gamma_6$  will be the sets of internal trees of G as they were previously defined in Section 3.

Case 1: The point p lies in a loop L of G and  $p \neq 0_L$ .

For each  $T \in \Gamma_1$ , let  $Q_T$  be the homeomorphism between  $\mathfrak{M}_p^1(T)$  and  $\mathfrak{M}(Q(T))$  described in the proof of Proposition 3.2. If  $S, T \in \Gamma_1$ , then  $\hat{Q}_T = \hat{Q}_S$  for all points in  $\mathfrak{M}_p^1(T) \cap \mathfrak{M}_p^1(S)$ . Recall that there exists a unique continuous map  $\hat{Q}_0$  which is an extension of every  $\hat{Q}_T$ , since each one of these is a homeomorphism it follows that  $\hat{Q}_0$  is a homeomorphism between  $\bigcup_{T \in \Gamma_1} \mathfrak{M}_p^1(T)$  and  $\bigcup_{T \in \Gamma_1} \mathfrak{M}(Q(T))$ . Similarly we have that  $\bigcup_{T \in \Gamma_1} \mathfrak{M}_p^2(T)$  is homeomorphic to  $\bigcup_{T \in \Gamma_1} \mathfrak{M}(Q(T))$ .

Now, for all  $T \in \Gamma_1$ , consider  $\mathcal{C}_T = \{A \in \mathfrak{M}(Q(T)) : Q(L) \subseteq A\}$ . That is,  $\mathcal{C}_T$  is the face of  $\mathfrak{M}(Q(T))$  obtained making  $b_1 = p$ . Let  $\bigcup_{T \in \Gamma_1} X_T$  and  $\bigcup_{T \in \Gamma_1} Y_T$  be disjoint topological copies of  $\bigcup_{T \in \Gamma_1} \mathfrak{M}(Q(T))$  and

$$f_X: \bigcup_{T\in \Gamma_1} X_T \to \bigcup_{T\in \Gamma_1} \mathfrak{M}(Q(T)), \quad f_Y: \bigcup_{T\in \Gamma_1} \mathfrak{M}(Q(T)) \to \bigcup_{T\in \Gamma_1} Y_T$$

be homeomorphisms such that, for all  $T \in \Gamma_1$ ,  $\mathcal{C}X_T = f_X^{-1}(\mathcal{C}_T)$  and  $\mathcal{C}Y_T = f_Y(\mathcal{C}_T)$  are the faces of the cells  $X_T$  and  $Y_T$  homeomorphic to the face  $\mathcal{C}_T$  of  $\mathfrak{M}(Q(T))$ .

If f is the restriction of  $f_Y \circ f_X$  to  $\bigcup \mathcal{C}X_T$ , by Proposition 2.2, it follows that  $\bigcup_{T \in \Gamma_5} X_T \cup_f \bigcup_{T \in \Gamma_5} Y_T$  is a finite union of cells, where each two are either disjoint or intersects in a union of their faces.

Now, the map,

$$R: (\bigcup \mathfrak{M}_p^1(T)) \cup (\bigcup \mathfrak{M}_p^2(T)) \to (\bigcup X_T) \cup_f (\bigcup Y_T),$$

defined by,

$$R(x) = \begin{cases} f_X^{-1}(Q(x)) & x \in \bigcup \mathfrak{M}_p^1(T), \\ f_Y(Q(x)) & x \in \bigcup \mathfrak{M}_p^2(T), \end{cases}$$

is a homeomorphism. By Proposition 2.2 the space,

$$(\bigcup \mathfrak{M}_p^1(T)) \cup (\bigcup \mathfrak{M}_p^2(T)),$$

is a finite union of cells where each two are either disjoint or intersect in a finite union of their faces.

Finally, note that for each internal tree  $T \in \Gamma_1$  different from  $\{0_L\}$ , we have  $C_p(L) \cap \mathfrak{M}_p^1(T) = \emptyset$  and  $C_p(L) \cap \mathfrak{M}_p^2(T) = \emptyset$ . If

$$\mathfrak{D} = \overline{C_p(L) - (\mathfrak{M}_p^1(\{0_L\}) \cup \mathfrak{M}_p^2(\{0_L\}))},$$

then once again the space,

$$(\bigcup \mathfrak{M}_p^1(T)) \cup (\bigcup \mathfrak{M}_p^2(T)) \cup \mathfrak{D},$$

is a finite union of cells, where each two are either disjoint or intersect in some union of their faces, since this union is the set  $C_p(G)$ , we have  $C_p(G)$  that is a polytope.

Case 2: The point p is in a terminal edge J of G and  $p \neq 0_J$ .

In this case,  $C_p(G) = (\bigcup_{T \in \Gamma_2} \mathfrak{N}_p^3(T)) \cup C_p(J)$  and we have two subcases. The first one is attained when p is the terminal point of J, and the second is attained when p is a point in the interior of J.

In the first subcase, the intersection of any two cells of the form  $\mathfrak{N}_p^3(T)$ is empty or a union of their faces. This is because  $\bigcup_{T \in \Gamma_2} \mathfrak{N}_p^3(T)$  is homeomorphic to  $\bigcup \mathfrak{M}(T)$ , where T runs over the internal trees of G - pcontaining  $0_J$ . On the other hand,  $\mathfrak{N}_p^3(T) \cap C_p(J) = \{J\}$  is a face of both cells. The other subcase is treated similarly.

Case 3: If neither p is in a loop, nor a terminal edge, then there is an internal tree T such that  $p \in D(1,T)$ .

In this case we have that the space  $C_p(G)$  coincides with:

$$C_p(J) \cup \bigcup_{T \in \Gamma_3} \mathfrak{M}(T) \cup \bigcup_{H \in \Gamma_4} \mathfrak{K}_p^1(H) \\ \cup \bigcup_{H \in \Gamma_4} \mathfrak{K}_p^2(H) \cup \bigcup_{M \in \Gamma_5} \mathfrak{M}_p(M) \cup \bigcup_{N \in \Gamma_6} \mathfrak{N}_p(N).$$

It remains to be seen that the intersection of any two cells in the above union is a union of their faces. This involves many cases to consider. We will analyze a few of them, the others can be treated in a similar way.

- Step 1. For  $T, S \in \Gamma_3$  it follows immediately from Lemma 2.6 (i) that if the cells  $\mathfrak{M}(T)$  and  $\mathfrak{M}(S)$  have nonempty intersection, then the intersection is a union of their faces.
- Step 2. Now, choose  $H, K \in \Gamma_4$  and check that the intersection,  $\mathfrak{K}^1_p(H) \cap \mathfrak{K}^2_p(K)$ , is not empty, then it is a union of their faces.

Recall that the faces of a cell  $[0, 1]^n$  are those subsets obtained by restricting some of its coordinates, so that they can only take the values 0 or 1, and the remaining coordinates are free to take any value between 0 and 1.

What we show is that  $\mathfrak{K}_p^1(H) \cap \mathfrak{K}_p^2(K)$  is a union of such faces, both, cell  $\mathfrak{K}_p^1(H)$  and cell  $\mathfrak{K}_p^2(K)$ . We will prove this fact for  $\mathfrak{K}_p^1(H)$ ; the proof for  $\mathfrak{K}_p^2(K)$  is practically the same.

Let  $D(1,H) \stackrel{r}{=} H \cup (\bigcup_{i=1}^{n} J_i) \cup (\bigcup_{j=1}^{n} L_j)$  be the canonical representation of D(1,H). (Recall we are supposing that  $L_1 = J$ ). Then, the members of  $\mathfrak{K}_n^1(H)$  are connected compact subsets of the form,

$$(H \cup \mathcal{L}_1) \cup ([p, a_1] \cup [b_1, v]) \cup (\bigcup_{i=1}^n [0_{J_i}, c_i])$$
$$\cup (\bigcup_{j=2}^n [0_{L_j}, a_j] \cup [b_j, 1_{L_j}])).$$

According this, the faces of  $\Re_p^1(H)$  are given when we fix  $c_i = 0_{J_i}$ or  $c_i = 1_{J_i}$  for some index  $i \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$  and when we fix  $a_1 = p$ ,  $b_1 = v$ , or  $a_1 = b_1$ , or we fix  $a_j = 0_{L_j}$ ,  $b_j = 1_{L_j}$ , or  $a_j = b_j$  for some index  $j \in \{2, \ldots, m\}$ .

Since  $\mathfrak{K}_p^1(H) \cap \mathfrak{K}_p^2(K)$  is not empty, we can fix a point x in the intersection. Since  $x \in \mathfrak{K}_p^2(K)$ , we have that  $\mathcal{L}_2 \subset x$ . Thus, x when viewed as an element of  $\mathfrak{K}_p^1(H)$ , lies on the faces of  $\mathfrak{K}_p^1(H)$  when  $a_1 = b_1$ . On the other hand,  $K \subset x \subset H \cup (\bigcup_{i=1}^n J_i) \cup (\bigcup_{j=1}^m L_j)$ . In this way, the internal tree K is formed by some edges in H, some edges  $J_i$ , and some edges  $L_j$ , where  $j \neq 1$ . In order to see what values are fixed, we will investigate each one of the edges  $J_i$  and  $L_j$ .

Given an edge  $J_i$  we have some cases to analyze: Case 1:  $J_i \subset K$ . In this case, any member  $y \in \mathfrak{K}^1_p(H) \cap \mathfrak{K}^2_p(K)$  satisfies  $J_i \subset K \subset y$ . Thus, y as an element of  $\mathfrak{K}^1_p(H)$ , we must fix  $c_i = 1_{J_i}$ . Case 2:  $J_i$  is not a subset of K and  $0_{J_i}, 1_{L_i} \in K$ .

Since K is formed by edges, since K is a subgraph of G, the intersection  $K \cap J_i$  is precisely the vertices  $0_{J_i}$  and  $1_{J_i}$ , in this case  $c_i$  can take all values from  $0_{J_i}$  to  $1_{J_i}$ .

Case 3:  $J_i$  is not a subset of K and  $0_{J_i} \in K$ ,  $1_{J_i} \notin K$ .

The growth of the members of  $\mathfrak{K}_p^1(H)$  is the same as the members of  $\mathfrak{K}_p^2(K)$  through the edge  $J_i$ . Thus, in this case  $c_i$  takes all values in the edge  $J_i$ .

Case 4:  $J_i$  is not a subset of K and  $1_{J_i} \in K$ ,  $0_{J_i} \notin K$ .

In this case,  $c_i$  cannot be an element of  $J_i - \{0_{J_i}, 1_{J_i}\}$  because corresponding element cannot belong to  $\Re_p^2(K)$ . Therefore in this case,  $c_i = 0_{J_i}$  or  $c_i = 1_{J_i}$ .

Case 5:  $J_i$  is not a subset of K and  $0_{J_i}, 1_{J_i} \notin K$ .

No point in  $J_i - \{0_{J_i}, 1_{J_i}\}$  belongs to D(1, K) and therefore it does not belong to any element of  $\Re_p^2(K)$ . Thus,  $c_i = 0_{J_i}$ .

We have concluded the possible cases for  $J_i$ . Now let us see what happens with  $L_j$ , where  $j \in \{2, \ldots, m\}$ .

Case 6: 
$$L_j \subset K$$

Any element  $y \in \mathfrak{K}_p^1(H) \cap \mathfrak{K}_p^2(K)$  satisfies  $L_j \subset K \subset y$ . So, when viewed as elements of  $\mathfrak{K}_p^1(H)$  we have  $a_j = b_j$ .

Case 7:  $L_j$  is not a subset of K and  $0_{L_j}$ ,  $1_{L_j} \in K$ .

Both the members of  $\mathfrak{K}_p^1(H)$  and members of  $\mathfrak{K}_p^2(K)$  can grow from the ends of  $L_j$ , so  $a_j$  and  $b_j$  can take all values in  $L_j$ .

Case 8:  $L_j$  is not a subset of K and  $0_{L_j} \in K$ ,  $1_{L_j} \notin K$ .

No element of  $\Re_p^2(K)$  can grow from the end  $1_{L_j}$ , therefore we must have  $b_j = 1_{L_j}$ .

Case 9:  $L_j$  is not a subset of K,  $0_{L_j} \notin K$  and  $1_{L_j} \in K$ .

No member of  $\Re_p^2(K)$  can grow from the vertex  $0_{L_j}$ , therefore we must have  $a_j = 0_{L_j}$ .

Case 10:  $L_j$  is not a subset of K,  $0_{L_j}$ ,  $1_{L_j} \notin K$ .

No element of  $L_j - \{0_{L_j}, 1_{L_j}\}$  belongs to D(1, K), therefore no element belongs to  $\mathfrak{K}_p^2(K)$ , therefore we must have  $a_j = 0_{L_j}$ and  $b_j = 1_{L_j}$ .

Step 3. Now, let us see that for  $H, K \in \Gamma_4$ , if the cells  $\mathfrak{K}_p^1(H)$ ,  $\mathfrak{K}_p^1(K)$  have a nonempty intersection, then the intersection is a union of faces.

Indeed, the homeomorphisms  $\sigma_H : \mathfrak{K}_p^1(H) \to \mathfrak{M}(\hat{Q}(H))$  and  $\sigma_K : \mathfrak{K}_p^1(K) \to \mathfrak{M}(\hat{Q}(K))$  in the proof of Proposition 3.7 can be used to construct a unique continuous map  $\sigma : \mathfrak{K}_p^1(H) \cup \mathfrak{K}_p^1(K) \to \mathfrak{M}(\hat{Q}(H)) \cup \mathfrak{M}(\hat{Q}(K))$  which extends  $\sigma_H$  and  $\sigma_K$ .

Furthermore,  $\sigma$  is a homeomorphism. Since  $\mathfrak{M}(\hat{Q}(H))$  and  $\mathfrak{M}(\hat{K}(H))$  are a pair of the cells that endow a polytope structure

to C(Q(G)), it follows that these cells intersect in a union of their faces. Therefore the cells  $\mathfrak{K}_p^1(H)$  and  $\mathfrak{K}_p^1(K)$  intersect in a union of their faces.

Step 4. Now we see that  $T \in \Gamma_3$ ,  $H \in \Gamma_4$ , and the cells  $\mathfrak{M}(T)$ , and  $\mathfrak{K}_p^1(H)$  either intersect in a union of their faces or do not intersect.

Let  $Id: \mathfrak{M}(T) \to \mathfrak{M}(T)$  be the identity map and  $\sigma_H: \mathfrak{K}_p^1(H) \to \mathfrak{M}(\hat{Q}(H))$  the map in Proposition 3.7. Consider  $A \in \mathfrak{M}(T) \cap \mathfrak{K}_p^1(H)$ . Recall that  $\Gamma_3$  is the set of internal trees of G containing p. According this, we have that A contains the edge J (recall that J is the edge containing p in its interior), because of this, if A is represented as an element of  $\mathfrak{K}_p^1(H)$ , we must set  $a_1 = b_1$ . Thereby,

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_H(A) &= \hat{Q}(A) = \hat{Q}((H \cup \mathcal{L}_1 \cup [p, a_1] \cup [b_1, v]) \cup (\bigcup_{i=1}^n [0_{J_i}, c_i]) \\ &\cup (\bigcup_{j=2}^m [0_{L_j}, a_j] \cup [b_j, 1_{L_j}]))) \\ &= \hat{Q}(H) \cup \hat{Q}(\mathcal{L}_2) \cup \hat{Q}((\bigcup_{i=1}^n [0_{J_i}, c_i]) \cup (\bigcup_{j=2}^m [0_{L_j}, a_j] \cup [b_j, 1_{L_j}]))) \end{aligned}$$

So that

$$\psi_1 \circ \sigma_H(A) = H \cup f(\mathcal{L}_1) \cup (\bigcup_{i=1}^n [0_{J_i}, c_i]) \cup (\bigcup_{j=2}^m [0_{L_j}, a_j] \cup [b_j, 1_{L_j}])$$
  
=  $H \cup f(\mathcal{L}_2) \cup (\bigcup_{i=1}^n [0_{J_i}, c_i]) \cup (\bigcup_{j=2}^m [0_{L_j}, a_j] \cup [b_j, 1_{L_j}])$   
=  $H \cup J \cup (\bigcup_{i=1}^n [0_{J_i}, c_i]) \cup (\bigcup_{j=2}^m [0_{L_j}, a_j] \cup [b_j, 1_{L_j}]) = A,$ 

where  $\psi_1$  is the same as in proof of Proposition 3.6. Thus, maps Idand  $\psi_1 \circ \sigma_H$  provide a unique continuous map  $\alpha : \mathfrak{M}(T) \cup \mathfrak{K}_p^1(H) \to \mathfrak{M}(T) \cup \mathfrak{M}(H)$  which extends Id and  $\psi_1 \circ \sigma_H$ . Since  $\alpha$  is a homeomorphism, because  $\mathfrak{M}(T) \cup \mathfrak{M}(H)$  is a union of finite-dimensional cells whose intersections are either disjoint or are a union of faces (Lemma 2.6 (i)), then so is  $\mathfrak{M}(T) \cup \mathfrak{K}_p^1(H)$  a union of finite-dimensional cells whose intersections are either disjoint or are a union of faces.

Step 5. Now, let us see that any two cells of type  $\mathfrak{M}_p(M)$  either intersect in a union of their faces or have empty intersection. If  $M_1, M_2 \in \Gamma_5$ , the maps  $\beta_{M_1}$  and  $\beta_{M_2}$  in the proof of the Lemma 3.8 agree in the intersection of their domains, therefore there exists a unique continuous map  $\beta : \mathfrak{M}_p(M_1) \cup \mathfrak{M}_p(M_2) \to \mathfrak{M}(\hat{Q}(M_1)) \cup \mathfrak{M}(\hat{Q}(M_2))$  which is an extension of  $\beta_{M_1}$  and  $\beta_{M_2}$ . The map  $\beta$  is a homeomorphism. It follows that cells  $\mathfrak{M}_p(M_1)$  and  $\mathfrak{M}_p(M_2)$  intersect one another like the cells  $\mathfrak{M}(\hat{Q}(M_1))$  and  $\mathfrak{M}(\hat{Q}(M_1))$  do. Since these intersect in a union of their faces, the cells  $\mathfrak{M}_p(M_1)$  and  $\mathfrak{M}_p(M_2)$  intersect in a union of their faces in the same manner.

The remaining cases are treated in a similar way. This concludes the proof of Theorem 4.1.  $\hfill \Box$ 

The converse of Theorem 4.1, is also true in the class of all locally connected, connected and compact spaces and its proof is much simpler.

**Lemma 4.2** ([11]). Let X be a connected, locally connected, compact metric space. Then X is not a multigraph if and only if C(X) contains a Hilbert cube.

Since it is desirable for us that the Hilbert cube in the Lemma above be contained in a hyperspace  $C_p(X)$ , we need more results. Lemmas 4.3 and 4.4 can be found in [12].

**Lemma 4.3.** Let  $A^0$  and  $A^1 \in 2^X$  be such that  $A_0 \neq A_1$ . Then, the following two statements are equivalent:

- (1) There exists an order arc in  $2^X$  from  $A_0$  to  $A_1$ ;
- (2)  $A_0 \subseteq A_1$  and each component of  $A_1$  intersects  $A_0$ .

**Lemma 4.4.** If  $\alpha$  is an order arc in  $2^X$  beginning with  $A_0 \in C(X)$ , then  $\alpha \subseteq C(X)$ .

Recall that, an  $\infty$ -odd is a connected and compact space B, containing a compact connected subspace A, such that B - A contains infinitely many components.

**Lemma 4.5** ([9]). Let X be any connected compact metric space. Then C(X) contains Hilbert cubes if and only if X contains  $\infty$ -odds.

The converse of Lemma 4.5 is important to us, since from it, it will be clear that  $C_p(X)$  contains a Hilbert cube for some p. We include here the proof for completeness.

*Proof.* Let B be an  $\infty$ -odd of X and  $A \subseteq B$  a connected compact subspace such that B - A contains infinitely components. Choose a numerable collection  $K_1, K_2, \ldots$  of such components. Each  $A \cup K_n$  is a compact and connected subspace of X containing A. According to Lemmas 4.3 and 4.4, there exists an order arc  $\alpha_n : [0, 1] \to C(X)$  from A to  $A \cup K_n$ .

Since each  $\alpha_n$  is a continuous map, there exist  $r_n \in (0,1]$  such that  $H(\alpha_n(r_n), A) < 1/n$  (where H is the Hausdorff metric on C(X)). Hence  $\alpha_n(r_n) \subseteq N(1/n, A) = \{x \in X : \text{there exists } a \in A \text{ such that } d(x, a) < 1/n\}$ . Define  $\varphi : [0, 1]^{\mathbb{N}} \to C(X)$  by,

$$\varphi(t_1, t_2, \ldots) = \alpha_1(r_1 t_1) \cup \alpha_2(r_2 t_2) \cup \cdots$$

Since each  $\alpha_n(r_n t_n)$  is a connected compact subspace containing A, we have that  $\varphi(t_1, t_2, \ldots)$  is a connected subset of X.

Furthermore, it can be proven that  $\varphi(t_1, t_2, ...)$  is closed (hence compact), continuous and injective. Since  $\text{Dom }\varphi$  is compact and  $\text{Im }\varphi$  is contained in a Hausdorff space, we have that the map  $\varphi : [0, 1]^{\mathbb{N}} \to \varphi([0, 1]^{\mathbb{N}})$  is a homeomorphism. So,  $\varphi([0, 1]^{\mathbb{N}})$  is a subspace homeomorphic to  $[0, 1]^{\mathbb{N}}$  which is contained in C(X). This concludes the proof.  $\Box$ 

Notice that, in the proof of the above Lemma, since  $A \subseteq \varphi(z)$  for all  $z \in [0,1]^{\mathbb{N}}$ , if  $p \in A$ , then  $\varphi([0,1]^{\mathbb{N}})$  is a Hilbert cube contained in  $C_p(X)$ . Therefore next corollary follows.

**Corollary 4.6.** Let X be any connected, compact, metric space. If X contains an  $\infty$ -odd, then there exists  $p \in X$ , such that  $C_p(X)$  contains a Hilbert cube.

**Theorem 4.7.** If X is locally connected, connected, compact, and Cpp, then X is a multigraph.

*Proof.* If X is not a multigraph, it follows by Lemma 4.2, that C(X) contains a Hilbert cube. By Lemma 4.5, X contains an  $\infty$ -odd and by Corollary 4.6,  $C_p(X)$  contains a Hilbert cube for some  $p \in X$ , this is a contradiction since X is Cpp. This concludes the proof.

**Corollary 4.8.** A connected, locally connected, compact metric space X is a multigraph if and only if X is Cpp.

**Question.** Does there exists any nonlocally connected (and therefore not a multigraph), connected and compact metric space X, which is Cpp?

**Question.** Can the phrase locally connected in Theorem 4.7 be replaced by arc-connected?

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