

# On nearly C-compact space

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**Abstract :** In this paper we have introduced a new type of convex topological space [5] called nearly C-compact space where a convex topological space is a topological space with a convexity [16]. Some fundamental characterizations and various basic properties have been obtained. Its relationship with other types of compact spaces is also investigated.

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## 1 Introduction

The development of 'abstract convexity' has emanated from different sources in different ways; the first type of development basically banked on generalization of particular problems such as separation of convex sets [3], extremality [4] ; [2], or continuous selection [10]. The second type of development lay before the reader such axiomatizations, which, in every case of design, express a particular point of view of convexity. With the view point of generalized topology which enters into convexity via the closure or hull operator, Schmidt[1953] and Hammer[1955], [1963], [1963b] introduced some axioms to explain abstract convexity. The arising of convexity from algebraic operations and the related property of domain finiteness received attentions in Birkhoff and Frink[1948] Schmidt[1953] and Hammer[1963].

Throughout this paper the axiomatizations as proposed by M. L. J. Van De Vel in his papers in the seventies and finally incorporated in Theory of Convex Structure [15] will be followed.

In [16] the author has discussed 'Topology and Convexity on the same set' and introduced the compatibility of the topology with a convexity on the same underlying set. At the very early stage of this paper we have set aside the concept of compatibility and started just with a triplet  $(X, \tau, C)$  and called it convex topological space only to bring back 'compatibility' in another way subsequently. With his compatibility, however, Van De Vel has called the triplet  $(X, \tau, C)$  a topological convex structure.

In this paper, section 2 deals with some early definitions and in section 3, we have discussed about C-regular open sets and mainly nearly C-compact spaces. The last section deals with relationship between nearly C-compact space and almost C-compact space ; different types of functions are also introduced here.

## 2 Prerequisites

**Definition 2.1** [16] Let  $X$  be a nonempty set. A family  $\mathcal{C}$  of subsets of the set  $X$  is called a convexity on  $X$  if

1.  $\emptyset, X \in \mathcal{C}$
2.  $\mathcal{C}$  is stable for intersection, i. e. if  $D \subseteq \mathcal{C}$  is nonempty then  $\bigcap D \in \mathcal{C}$ .
3.  $\mathcal{C}$  is stable for nested unions, i. e. if  $D \subseteq \mathcal{C}$  is nonempty and totally ordered by set inclusion then  $\bigcup D \in \mathcal{C}$ .

The pair  $(X, \mathcal{C})$  is called a convex structure. The members of  $\mathcal{C}$  are called convex sets and their complements are called concave sets.

**Definition 2.2** [16] Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a convexity on a set  $X$ . Let  $A \subseteq X$ . The convex hull of  $A$  is denoted by  $co(A)$  and defined by

$$co(A) = \bigcap \{C : A \subseteq C \in \mathcal{C}\}.$$

**Note 2.3** [16] Let  $(X, \mathcal{C})$  be a convex structure and let  $Y$  be a subset of  $X$ . The family of sets  $\mathcal{C}_Y = \{C \cap Y : C \in \mathcal{C}\}$  is a convexity on  $Y$ ; it is called the relative convexity of  $Y$ .

**Note 2.4** [16] The hull operator  $co_Y$  of a subspace  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_Y)$  satisfies the following :  $\forall A \subseteq Y : co_Y(A) = co(A) \cap Y$ .

**Definition 2.5** [5] Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space. Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a convexity on  $X$ . Then the triplet  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{C})$  is called a convex topological space (CTS, in short).

**Definition 2.6** [16] Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{C})$  be a CTS. Then  $\tau$  is said to be compatible with the convex structure  $(X, \mathcal{C})$  if all polytopes of  $\mathcal{C}$  are closed in  $\tau$  where a polytope means the convex hull of a finite set. The triplet  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{C})$  is called a topological convex structure.

**Note 2.7** [16] Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{C})$  be a topological convex structure. Then collection of all closed sets in  $(X, \tau)$  are subset of  $\mathcal{C}$ .

**Definition 2.8** [16] A function  $f : (X_1, \mathcal{C}_1) \rightarrow (X_2, \mathcal{C}_2)$  between two convex structures is said to be a convexity preserving function ( a CP function) provided for each convex set  $C$  in  $X_2$ , the set  $f^{-1}(C)$  is convex in  $X_1$  i.e. inverse image of convex set is convex.

## 3 Nearly C-compact space

**Definition 3.1** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{C})$  be a CTS. A set  $P \subseteq X$  is said to be C-regular open set if  $P = int(co(P))$ .

**Result 3.2** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{C})$  be a CTS. Then for any  $A \subseteq X$ , the set  $int(co(A))$  is a C-regular open set.

Proof: Let  $B = int(co(A))$ .

Clearly  $B$  is an open set.

$$\text{Now } B \subseteq co(B) \Rightarrow int(B) =$$

$$B \subseteq int(co(B)). \text{ Again } int(co(B)) = int(co(int(co(A)))) \subseteq co(int(co(A))) \subseteq co(co(A)) =$$

$$co(A) \Rightarrow int(int(co(B))) = int(co(B)) \subseteq int(co(A)) = B. \text{ Thus we have } B = int(co(B)). \text{ Consequently } int(co(A)) = B \text{ is a C-regular open set.}$$

**Note 3.3** It is clear that in a CTS, every C-regular open set is an open set.

**Definition 3.4** Let  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  be a CTS. A set  $Q \subseteq X$  is said to be C-regular closed if its complement is a C-regular open set.

**Note 3.5** Let  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  be a CTS. Let  $A$  be a C-regular open set. Then  $A = \text{int}(\text{co}(A))$ . Now  $X \setminus A = \text{cl}[X \setminus \text{co}(A)]$ . Suppose that  $B = X \setminus A$ . Then  $B = \text{cl}[X \setminus \text{co}(X \setminus B)]$ . Since  $A$  is a C-regular open set,  $B$  is C-regular closed set. Again for any set  $B \subseteq X$ , let  $P = \text{cl}[X \setminus \text{co}(X \setminus B)]$ . Then  $X \setminus P = \text{int}(\text{co}(X \setminus B))$ . Since  $\text{int}(\text{co}(X \setminus B))$  is a C-regular open set,  $P$  is C-regular closed set.

**Note 3.6** In a CTS  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  a set  $P \subseteq X$  is C-regular closed if and only if  $P = \text{cl}[X \setminus \text{co}(X \setminus P)]$ .

**Result 3.7** Let  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  be a CTS. Then for any  $Q \subseteq X$ ,  $\text{cl}[X \setminus \text{co}(Q)]$  is a C-regular closed set

Proof: Let  $R = \text{cl}[X \setminus \text{co}(Q)]$ . Clearly  $R$  is a closed set. We will show that  $R = \text{cl}[X \setminus \text{co}(X \setminus R)]$ . Now  $X \setminus R \subseteq \text{co}(X \setminus R) \Rightarrow X \setminus \text{co}(X \setminus R) \subseteq R \Rightarrow \text{cl}[X \setminus \text{co}(X \setminus R)] \subseteq \text{cl}(R) = R$ . Again  $X \setminus R = X \setminus \text{cl}[X \setminus \text{co}(Q)] = \text{int}(\text{co}(Q)) \subseteq \text{co}(Q) \Rightarrow \text{co}(X \setminus R) \subseteq \text{co}(Q) \Rightarrow X \setminus \text{co}(Q) \subseteq X \setminus \text{co}(X \setminus R) \Rightarrow \text{cl}[X \setminus \text{co}(Q)] \subseteq \text{cl}[X \setminus \text{co}(X \setminus R)] \Rightarrow R \subseteq \text{cl}[X \setminus \text{co}(X \setminus R)]$ . Hence  $R = \text{cl}[X \setminus \text{co}(X \setminus R)]$  and consequently  $R$  is a C-regular closed set [by the abovenote].

**Note 3.8** It is clear that in a CTS  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$ , for any set  $Q \subseteq X$ ,  $\text{cl}[X \setminus \text{co}(Q)]$  is a C-regular closed set. In the above proof actually we have used the fact that a set  $A$  is C-regular closed set if and only if  $A = \text{cl}[X \setminus \text{co}(X \setminus A)]$  because we want to define a C-regular closed set independently in a CTS. Thus in a  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$ , a set  $A \subseteq X$  is said to be C-regular closed set if  $A = \text{cl}[X \setminus \text{co}(X \setminus A)]$ .

**Theorem 3.9** Let  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  be a CTS. Then the collection  $B$  of all C-regular open sets forma basis for some topology which is weaker than  $\tau$ .

Proof: Let  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  be a CTS and  $B$  be the collection of all C-regular open sets. Clearly  $\emptyset, X \in B$ . Let  $P, Q \in B$ . Then  $P = \text{int}(\text{co}(P))$  and  $Q = \text{int}(\text{co}(Q))$ . Now  $\text{int}(\text{co}(P \cap Q)) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{co}(P)) \cap \text{int}(\text{co}(Q)) \Rightarrow \text{int}(\text{co}(P \cap Q)) \subseteq P \cap Q$ . Since  $\text{int}(\text{co}(P \cap Q)) \in B$ , we conclude that  $B$  forms a base for some topology say  $\tau_1$ . Again since every C-regular open set is open, we have  $\tau_1 \subseteq \tau$ .

**Definition 3.10** Let  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  be a CTS. The space  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  is said to be nearly C- compact if for every open cover  $\mathcal{t} = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  of  $X$ , there exists a finite subfamily  $\{U_\alpha : \alpha \in I\}$  where  $I$  is a finite set, of  $\mathcal{t}$  such that  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} U_\alpha = X$ .

**Note 3.11** Let  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  be a CTS. If  $(X, \tau)$  is compact, then the space  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  is nearly C-compact. Observe that if  $U$  is an open set, then  $U \subseteq \text{int}(\text{co}(U))$ . The converse is not true in general which follows from the next example.

**Example 3.12** Let  $X$  be an infinite set. Also let  $\tau$  be the discrete topology and  $\checkmark = \{\emptyset, X\}$ . Then for any nonempty set  $A \subseteq X$ , clearly  $\text{co}(A) = X$ . Thus the CTS  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  is nearly C-compact but  $(X, \tau)$  is not compact.

**Note 3.13** Nearly compactness is a topological concept where as nearly C-compactness is defined in terms of topology as well as convexity. In a CTS, a topology and a convexity are given on an arbitrary set. So it is natural to ask whether there is a relation between nearly compact space and nearly C-compact space. We shall show that these two concepts are independent which follows from the next examples.

**Example 3.14** Consider the above example 3.12. Here  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  is nearly C-compact but  $(X, \tau)$  is not nearly compact.

**Example 3.15** Let  $X$  be an infinite set. Let  $p \in X$  and a set  $U \subset X$  is defined to be open iff  $p \in U$  i.e. the topology  $\tau$  is given by  $\tau = \{U : p \in U\}$ . Clearly every open set is dense in  $X$ . So  $(X, \tau)$  is nearly compact. Again let the convexity  $\checkmark$  on  $(X, \tau)$  be  $P(X)$ . Then for any  $A \subseteq X$ ,  $co(A) = A$ . Let us consider the open cover  $U = \{\{p, x\} : x(\neq p) \in X\}$ . This cover has no finite subfamily, the interior of the convex hull of whose members covers the space  $X$ . Consequently  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  is not nearly C-compact space.

**Theorem 3.16** Let  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  be a CTS. Then the following conditions are equivalent.

- a)  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  is nearly C-compact.
- b) Every basic open cover of  $X$  admits of a finite subfamily, the interior of the convex hull of whose members cover the space.
- c) Every cover of  $X$  by C-regular open sets has a finite sub cover.
- d) Every family of C-regular closed sets having the finite intersection property has non void intersection.
- e) Every family  $\mathcal{F}$  of closed sets having the property that for any finite subfamily  $\{F_i : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , of  $\mathcal{F}$ ,  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n cl[X \setminus co(X \setminus F_i)] \neq \emptyset$ , has nonempty intersection .

Proof: a)  $\Rightarrow$  b). Obvious.

b)  $\Rightarrow$  c). Let  $\mathcal{t} = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  be C-regular open cover of  $X$ . Let  $x \in X$ . Then  $x \in U_\alpha$  for some  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ . Since  $U_\alpha$  is open set and  $x \in U_\alpha$  there exists a basic open set  $V_{a_x}$  such that  $x \in V_{a_x} \subseteq U_\alpha \dots \dots \dots (1)$ . Now the family  $\{V_{a_x} : x \in X\}$  is a basic open cover  $X$ . Hence by b) there exists a finite subfamily  $\{V_{a_{x_i}} : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  such that  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n [int(co(V_{a_{x_i}}))] = X \dots \dots \dots (2)$ .

From(1),  $int(co(V_{a_x})) \subseteq int(co(U_\alpha)) = U_\alpha$ , [since  $U_\alpha$  is C-regular open set]. So from (2), we have  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n U_{a_{x_i}} = X$ .

c)  $\Rightarrow$  d). Let  $\mathcal{A} = \{F_a : a \in \Lambda\}$  be a family of C-regular closed sets having the finite intersection property. If possible let  $\bigcap \{F_a : a \in \Lambda\} = \emptyset$ . Then  $\{X \setminus F_a : a \in \Lambda\}$  is an C-regular open cover of X. So by c) there exists a finite subfamily  $\{X \setminus F_{a_i} : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  such that  $\bigcup \{X \setminus F_{a_i} : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} = X$ . This implies that  $\bigcap \{F_{a_i} : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} = \emptyset$ , which is a contradiction. Hence we infer that  $\bigcap \{F_a : a \in \Lambda\} \neq \emptyset$ .

d)  $\Rightarrow$  e). Let  $\mathcal{A} = \{F_a : a \in \Lambda\}$  be a family of closed sets with the stated property. Now  $\mathcal{A}_1 = \{cl[X \setminus co(X \setminus F_a)] : a \in \Lambda\}$  is a family of C-regular closed sets and it has finite intersection property. So by d)  $\bigcap \{cl[X \setminus co(X \setminus F_a)] : a \in \Lambda\} \neq \emptyset$  (1). Again  $X \setminus F_a \subseteq co(X \setminus F_a) \Rightarrow cl[X \setminus co(X \setminus F_a)] \subseteq cl(F_a) = F_a$  [since  $F_a$  is closed set]. Hence from 1), it follows that  $\bigcap \{F_a : a \in \Lambda\} \neq \emptyset$ .

e)  $\Rightarrow$  a). Let  $\mathcal{t} = \{U_a : a \in \Lambda\}$  be an open cover of X. If possible suppose that for every finite subfamily  $\{U_a : a \in I\}$  where I is a finite set,  $\bigcup \{int(co(U_a)) : a \in I\} \neq X$ . Then this implies that  $X \setminus \bigcup \{int(co(U_a)) : a \in I\} \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow \bigcap \{X \setminus int(co(U_a)) : a \in I\} \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow \bigcap \{cl[X \setminus co(U_a)] : a \in I\} \neq \emptyset$  ———(1). Let  $V_a = X \setminus U_a$ . Then  $V_a$  is a closed set and from (1) we have  $\bigcap \{cl[X \setminus co(X \setminus V_a)] : a \in I\} \neq \emptyset$ . Now the family  $\{V_a : a \in \Lambda\}$  of closed sets satisfies the condition e). So by e) we get,  $\bigcap \{V_a : a \in \Lambda\} \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow \bigcap \{X \setminus U_a : a \in \Lambda\} \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow \bigcup \{U_a : a \in \Lambda\} \neq X$ , which is a contradiction. Hence  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  is nearly C-compact.

**Definition 3.17** A CTS  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  is said to be semi C-regular space if every point in X has fundamental system of C-regular open neighbourhood.

**Theorem 3.18** Let  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  be semi C-regular space. Then  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  is nearly C-compact if and only if it is compact.

Proof: We know that compact space is nearly C-compact space. So one part is obvious. On the other hand let  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  be a semi C-regular space which is nearly C-compact. Also let  $\mathcal{t} = \{U_a : a \in \Lambda\}$  be an open cover of X. Let  $x \in X$ . Then  $x \in U_{a_x}$  for some  $a \in \Lambda$ . Since X is semi C-regular space, there exists a C-regular open set  $V_{a_x}$  such that  $x \in V_{a_x} \subseteq U_{a_x}$ .

Now  $\{V_{a_x} : x \in X\}$  is a C-regular open cover of X and therefore it has a finite sub cover

$\{V_{a_{x_i}} : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . Consequently  $\{U_{a_{x_i}} : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  is a finite sub cover of  $\mathcal{t}$ . This shows that  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  is compact.

**Corollary 3.19** Let  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  be a semi C-regular space. If  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  is nearly C-compact then it is nearly compact.

Proof: Observe that compactness implies nearly compactness.

**Note 3.20** We see that in a semi C-regular space, nearly C-compactness implies nearly compactness. In the next theorem we shall show that there exists a special type of convex topological space in which nearly C-compactness implies nearly compactness also.

**Theorem 3.21** Let  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  be a CTS where  $\tau$  is compatible with the convex structure  $(X, \checkmark)$  i.e.  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  be a topological convex structure. If  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  is nearly C-compact then it is nearly compact.

Proof: Let  $S$  be the collection of all closed sets in  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$ . Since  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  is a topological convex structure,  $S \subseteq \checkmark$ . Thus for any set  $A \subseteq X$  we have  $\text{co}(A) \subseteq \text{cl}(A)$ . Let  $\mathcal{t} =$

$\{U_a : a \in \Lambda\}$  be an open cover of  $X$ . Since  $X$  is nearly C-compact,  $\mathcal{t}$  has finite subfamily

$\{U_{a_i} : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  such that  $\bigcup \{\text{int}(\text{co}(U_{a_i})) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} = X \Rightarrow \bigcup \{\text{int}(\text{cl}(U_{a_i})) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} = X$ . This shows that  $X$  is nearly compact.

#### 4 Comparison

**Definition 4.1** Let  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  be a CTS. The space is said to be almost C-compact if for every open cover  $\{U_a : a \in \Lambda\}$ , there exists a finite subfamily  $\{U_{a_i} : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  such that  $\bigcup \{\text{co}(U_{a_i}) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} = X$ .

**Note 4.2** If a CTS  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  is nearly C-compact then it is also almost C-compact.

**Definition 4.3** A CTS  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  is said to be almost C-regular if for each  $x \in X$  and each open neighbourhood  $U$  of  $x$ , there exists an open neighbourhood  $V$  of  $x$  such that  $x \in V \subseteq \text{co}(V) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{co}(U))$ .

**Note 4.4** Every locally convex space is almost C-regular space.

If  $x \in X$  and  $U$  is an open neighbourhood of  $x$  then  $\exists$  a convex open neighbourhood  $V$  of  $x$  such that  $x \in V \subseteq U$ . This shows that  $V = \text{co}(V) = \text{int}(V) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{co}(U))$ .

**Theorem 4.5** An almost C-regular space  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  is almost C-compact if and only if it is nearly C-compact.

Proof: Nearly C-compactness implies almost C-compactness, so one part is obvious.

To prove the converse, let  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  be an almost C-regular space which is almost C-compact. Let  $\mathcal{t} = \{U_a : a \in \Lambda\}$  be any C-regular open cover of  $X$ . Let  $x \in X$ . Then  $x \in U_{a_x}$ , for some  $a \in \Lambda$ . Since  $X$  is almost C-regular, there exists an open neighbourhood  $V_{a_x}$  of  $x$  such that  $x \in V_{a_x} \subseteq \text{co}(V_{a_x}) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{co}(U_{a_x})) = U_{a_x}$  —(1)[Note that  $U_{a_x}$  is a C-regular open set].

Now  $\{V_{a_x} : x \in X\}$  is an open cover of  $X$  which is almost C-compact. So it admits a finite subfamily  $\{V_{a_{x_i}} : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  such that  $\bigcup \{\text{co}(V_{a_{x_i}}) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} = X$ . Hence from (1) we have  $\bigcup \{U_{a_{x_i}} : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} = X$ . Consequently  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  is nearly C-compact.

**Theorem 4.6** Let  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  be a nearly C-compact space. Then every open cover of a C-regular closed subset of  $Y$  of  $X$  admits a finite subfamily, the interior of the convex hull of whose members cover the set  $Y$ .

Proof: Let  $Y$  be a C-regular closed set in  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$ . Also let  $\mathcal{t} = \{U_a : a \in \Lambda\}$  be any

open cover of  $Y$ . Clearly  $X \setminus Y$  is C-regular open set and so it is open in  $X$ . Thus  $\tau_1 =$

$\{U_a : a \in \Lambda\} \cup \{X \setminus Y\}$  is an open cover of  $X$  which is nearly C-compact. Thus  $\tau_1$  has a finite subfamily  $\{V_{a_i} : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  such that  $\cup\{\text{int}(\text{co}(V_{a_i})) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} = X$ . Let there is no  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  such that  $V_{a_i} = X \setminus Y$ . So we have  $\cup\{\text{int}(\text{co}(V_{a_i})) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} = Y$ .

Again if  $V_{a_i} = X \setminus Y$  for some  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  and since  $\text{int}(\text{co}(X \setminus Y)) = X \setminus Y$  we infer that  $\tau_1 \setminus \{X \setminus Y\}$  serves the required purpose.

**Definition 4.7** A function  $f : (X, \tau, \checkmark_1) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \checkmark_2)$  is said to be

- 1) almost C-continuous if the inverse image of every C-regular open set is open and
- 2) almost C-open if image of each C-regular open set is open.

**Note 4.8** Since every C-regular open set open, we infer that in a CTS every continuous function is almost C-continuous and every open function is almost C-open.

**Theorem 4.9** Let  $f : (X, \tau, \checkmark_1) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \checkmark_2)$  be a CP function from  $X$  onto  $Y$  and  $f$  is almost C-continuous and almost C-open. If  $X$  is nearly C-compact then  $Y$  is also nearly C-compact.

Proof: Let  $f : (X, \tau, \checkmark_1) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \checkmark_2)$  be a CP, almost C-continuous and almost C-open mapping from a nearly C-compact space  $X$  onto  $Y$ . Suppose  $\tau = \{U_a : a \in \Lambda\}$  be a C-regular open cover of  $Y$ . Then  $\tau_1 = \{f^{-1}(U_a) : a \in \Lambda\}$  is an open cover of  $X$ . Then  $\tau_1$  admits a finite subfamily  $\{f^{-1}(U_{a_i}) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  such that  $\cup\{\text{int}(\text{co}(f^{-1}(U_{a_i}))) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} = X$ . Since  $\text{int}(\text{co}(f^{-1}(U_{a_i})))$  is a regular C-open set in  $X$  and  $f$  is almost C-open map,  $f(\text{int}(\text{co}(f^{-1}(U_{a_i}))))$  is an open set in  $Y$ . So  $f(\text{int}(\text{co}(f^{-1}(U_{a_i})))) \subseteq \text{int}(f(\text{co}(f^{-1}(U_{a_i})))) \dots\dots\dots(1)$ . Again, since  $f$  is a CP mapping,  $\text{co}(f^{-1}(U_{a_i})) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{co}(U_{a_i})) \dots\dots\dots(2)$ . Now  $Y = f(X) = f(\cup\{\text{int}(\text{co}(f^{-1}(U_{a_i}))) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}) = \cup\{f(\text{int}(\text{co}(f^{-1}(U_{a_i})))) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} \subseteq \cup\{\text{int}(f(\text{co}(f^{-1}(U_{a_i})))) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  (from (1))  $\subseteq \cup\{\text{int}(f(f^{-1}(\text{co}(U_{a_i})))) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  (from (2))  $= \cup\{\text{int}(\text{co}(U_{a_i})) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  (since  $f$  is onto). Therefore,  $Y \subseteq \cup\{U_{a_i} : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . This shows that  $Y$  is nearly C-compact space.

**Note 4.10** Let  $(X, \tau, \checkmark_1)$  be a compact CTS and let  $f : (X, \tau, \checkmark_1) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \checkmark_2)$  be a continuous onto map. Then it is clear that  $Y$  is nearly C-compact space. We now prove something more in the next theorem.

**Theorem 4.11** Let  $f : (X, \tau, \checkmark_1) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \checkmark_2)$  be an almost C-continuous mapping from a compact space  $X$  onto  $Y$ . Then  $Y$  is nearly C-compact.

Proof: Suppose  $t = \{U_a: a \in \Lambda\}$  be a C-regular open cover of Y. Then  $t_1 = \{f^{-1}(U_a): a \in \Lambda\}$  is an open cover of X, which is compact. Then  $t_1$  admits a finite subfamily  $\{f^{-1}(U_{a_i}): i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  such that  $\cup \{f^{-1}(U_{a_i}): i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} = X$ . Now  $Y = f(X) = f(\cup \{f^{-1}(U_{a_i}): i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}) = \cup \{f(f^{-1}(U_{a_i})): i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} = \cup \{U_{a_i}: i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  (since f is onto). This shows that Y is nearly C- compact space.

**Theorem 4.12** A CTS  $(X, \tau, \checkmark)$  is almost C-compact if and only if every C-regular open cover has a finite subfamily, the convex hull of whose members cover the space.

Proof: Since every C-regular open set is open, it is clear that, if X is almost C-compact then it has the above property.

On the other hand, let  $t = \{U_a: a \in \Lambda\}$  be an open cover of X. Since  $U_a \subseteq \text{int}(\text{co}(U_a))$ , the family  $t_1 = \{\text{int}(\text{co}(U_a)): a \in \Lambda\}$  is a C-regular open cover of X. From the given condition,  $t_1$  has a finite subfamily  $\{\text{int}(\text{co}(U_{a_i})): i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  such that  $\cup \{\text{co}(\text{int}(\text{co}(U_{a_i}))) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} = X$ .....(1) Now  $\text{int}(\text{co}(U_{a_i})) \subseteq \text{co}(U_{a_i}) \Rightarrow \text{co}(\text{int}(\text{co}(U_{a_i}))) \subseteq \text{co}(\text{co}(U_{a_i})) = \text{co}(U_{a_i}) \Rightarrow$  (from (1)),  $\cup \{\text{co}(U_{a_i}): i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} = X$ . Consequently, X is almost C-compact space.

**Theorem 4.13** Let  $f : (X, \tau, \checkmark_1) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \checkmark_2)$  be a CP and almost C-continuous mapping from X onto Y . If X is almost C-compact then so is Y.

Proof: Suppose  $t = \{U_a: a \in \Lambda\}$  be a C-regular open cover of Y. Then  $t_1 = \{f^{-1}(U_a): a \in \Lambda\}$  is an open cover of X. Since X is almost C-compact,  $t_1$  admits a finite subfamily  $\{f^{-1}(U_{a_i}): i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  such that  $\cup \{\text{co}(f^{-1}(U_{a_i})): i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} = X$ . Now  $Y = f(X) = f(\cup \{\text{co}(f^{-1}(U_{a_i})): i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}) = \cup \{f(\text{co}(f^{-1}(U_{a_i}))) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} \subseteq \cup \{f(\text{co}(f^{-1}(U_{a_i}))) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} = \cup \{\text{co}(U_{a_i}): i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  (since f is onto). This shows that Y is nearly C- compact space.

**Corollary 4.14** Let  $f : (X, \tau, \checkmark_1) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \checkmark_2)$  be a CP and almost C-continuous mapping from X onto Y . If X is compact then Y is almost C-compact.

**Corollary 4.15** Let  $f : (X, \tau, \checkmark_1) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \checkmark_2)$  be a CP and almost C-continuous mapping from X onto Y . If X is nearly C-compact then Y is almost C-compact.

**Definition 4.16** A function  $f : (X, \tau, \checkmark_1) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \checkmark_2)$  is said to be strongly convex iff for each  $A \subseteq X, f(A) = f(\text{co}(A))$ .

**Theorem 4.17** Let  $f : (X, \tau, \checkmark_1) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \checkmark_2)$  be continuous and strongly convex mapping from X onto Y . If X is almost C-compact then Y is compact.

Proof: Let  $t = \{U_a: a \in \Lambda\}$  be an open cover of Y . Then  $t_1 = \{f^{-1}(U_a): a \in \Lambda\}$  is an open cover of X which is almost C-compact. So  $t_1$  has a finite subfamily  $\{f^{-1}(U_{a_i}): i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  such that  $\cup \{\text{co}(f^{-1}(U_{a_i})): i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} = X$  Now  $Y = f(X) = f[\cup \{\text{co}(f^{-1}(U_{a_i})): i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}]$



$$= \cup \{f(\text{co}(f^{-1}(U_{a_i}))) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} = \cup \{f(f^{-1}(U_{a_i})) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$$

$= \cup \{U_{a_i} : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . Hence  $Y$  is compact.

**Corollary 4.18** The image of nearly  $C$ -compact space under continuous and strongly convex mapping is nearly  $C$ -compact.

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