

## On cofree $S$ -spaces and cofree $S$ -flows

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### ABSTRACT

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Let **S-Tych** be the category of Tychonoff  $S$ -spaces for a topological monoid  $S$ . We study the cofree  $S$ -spaces and cofree  $S$ -flows over topological spaces and we prove that for any topological space  $X$  and a topological monoid  $S$ , the function space  $C(S, X)$  with the compact-open topology and the action  $s \cdot f = (t \mapsto f(st))$  is the cofree  $S$ -space over  $X$  if and only if the compact-open topology is admissible and Tychonoff. Finally we study injective  $S$ -spaces and we characterize injective cofree  $S$ -spaces, when the compact-open topology is admissible and Tychonoff. As a consequence of this result, we characterize the cofree  $S$ -spaces and cofree  $S$ -flows, when  $S$  is a locally compact topological monoid.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

There are many works about  $S$ -spaces or more specially  $G$ -spaces and their applications, and some authors study the free and projective  $S$ -spaces ( $G$ -spaces) and their applications [1, 7, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18]. Also, there are some results about injective and cofree Boolean  $S$ -spaces (see [1]).

Recall that, for a monoid  $S$ , a set  $A$  is a left  $S$ -set (or  $S$ -act) if there is, so called, an action  $\mu : S \times A \rightarrow A$  such that, denoting  $\mu(s, a) := sa$ ,  $(st)a = s(ta)$  and  $1a = a$ . The definitions of an  $S$ -subset  $A$  of  $B$  and an  $S$ -homomorphism (also called  $S$ -map) between  $S$ -sets are clear. In fact  $S$ -maps are action-preserving maps:  $f : A \rightarrow B$  with  $f(sa) = sf(a)$ , for  $s \in S$ ,  $a \in A$ . Each monoid  $S$  can be considered as an  $S$ -set with the action given by its multiplication. Let  $S$  be a monoid and  $A$  be an  $S$ -set. Recall that for  $s \in S$ , the

$S$ -homomorphism  $\lambda_s : A \rightarrow A$  is defined by  $y \mapsto sy$  for any  $y \in A$ . Similarly, for  $a \in A$ , the  $S$ -map  $\rho_a : S \rightarrow A$  is defined by  $t \mapsto ta$  for any  $t \in S$ .

Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a concrete category over  $\mathcal{D}$  and  $U : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  be the forgetful functor. An object  $K$  in  $\mathcal{C}$  with a morphism  $\psi : K \rightarrow D$  in  $\mathcal{D}$ , where  $D \in \mathcal{D}$ , is *the cofree object over  $D$* , if for every morphism  $f : C \rightarrow D$  in  $\mathcal{D}$  there exists a unique morphism  $\tilde{f} : C \rightarrow K$  in  $\mathcal{C}$  such that  $\psi \circ \tilde{f} = f$  in  $\mathcal{D}$ .

For any two topological spaces  $X$  and  $Y$ , we denote the set of all continuous maps from  $X$  to  $Y$  by  $C(X, Y)$ . If  $\tau$  is a topology on the set  $C(X, Y)$ , then the corresponding space is denoted by  $C_\tau(X, Y)$ . The category of all Tychonoff spaces is denoted by **Tych**.

Note that all of the spaces in this note are Tychonoff (completely regular and Hausdorff). A monoid  $S$  with a Hausdorff topology  $\tau_S$  such that the multiplication  $\cdot : S \times S \rightarrow S$  is (jointly) continuous, is called a *topological monoid*. For a topological monoid  $S$ , an  $S$ -space is an  $S$ -set  $A$  with a topology  $\tau_A$  such that the action  $S \times A \rightarrow A$  is (jointly) continuous. The category of all Tychonoff  $S$ -spaces with continuous  $S$ -maps is denoted by **S-Tych** (see [14, 15, 16, 18]). A compact Hausdorff  $S$ -space is called an  $S$ -flow (see [2, 13]).

Let  $Y$  and  $Z$  be two topological spaces. A topology on the set  $C(Y, Z)$  is called *splitting* if for every space  $X$ , the continuity of a map  $g : X \times Y \rightarrow Z$  implies that of the map  $\tilde{g} : X \rightarrow C_\tau(Y, Z)$  defined by  $\tilde{g}(x)(y) = g(x, y)$ , for every  $x \in X$  and  $y \in Y$  (this topology is also called *proper* [3, 8] or *weak* [6]). A topology  $\tau$  on  $C(Y, Z)$  is *admissible* if the mapping  $\omega(y, f) := f(y)$  from  $Y \times C(Y, Z)$  into  $Z$  is continuous in  $y$  and  $f$ . Equivalently, a topology  $\tau$  on  $C(Y, Z)$  is admissible if for every topological space  $X$ , the continuity of an  $f : X \rightarrow C_\tau(Y, Z)$  implies the continuity of  $\hat{f} : X \times Y \rightarrow Z$ , where  $\hat{f}(x, y) := f(x)(y)$  for every  $(x, y) \in X \times Y$  (see [8]) (the latter definition is usually used as the definition of admissible topology, but we use the former). A topological space  $Y$  is said to be exponential if for every space  $X$  there is an admissible and splitting topology on  $C(Y, X)$  (see [6]). For any topological spaces  $X$  and  $Y$ , we denote the set  $C(X, Y)$  with the compact-open topology by  $C_{co}(X, Y)$ . For any compact subset  $K$  of  $X$  and an open set  $U$  in  $Y$ , by  $(K, U)$  we mean the set  $\{f \in C(X, Y) | f(K) \subseteq U\}$ . For topological topics and facts about Stone-Cech compactification, we refer to [3, 9, 17].

In this note, we study the cofree and injective  $S$ -spaces and  $S$ -flows. Recall that for a set  $E$  and a monoid  $S$ ,  $E^S$ , the set of all functions from  $S$  to  $E$  with the action  $sf := (t \mapsto f(st))$ , for any function  $f : S \rightarrow E$  and  $s \in S$ , is the cofree  $S$ -set over  $E$  (see [12]). In Section 2, we study the cofree  $S$ -spaces and  $S$ -flows over topological spaces. As a consequence of these results, we characterize the cofree  $S$ -spaces and the cofree  $S$ -flows over topological spaces, when the compact-open topology is admissible and Tychonoff (more specially, when  $S$  is locally compact). Finally, in Section 3, we study injective cofree  $S$ -spaces and  $S$ -flows over topological spaces, when the compact-open topology is admissible and Tychonoff. Note that we state and prove our results for

topological monoids and plainly all of our results hold for topological groups and  $G$ -spaces.

## 2. THE COFREE $S$ -SPACES AND $S$ -FLOWS OVER A TOPOLOGICAL SPACE

One of the main steps in the study of injective objects in a category is the study of cofree objects. These objects can be used for presenting injective cover for objects in a category<sup>1</sup>. In this section, first we study the cofree Tychonoff  $S$ -spaces over a Tychonoff space, then we study the cofree  $S$ -flow over a compact space<sup>2</sup>. Finally in this section, as a consequence of these results, we will show that if  $S$  is a locally compact topological monoid, then the cofree  $S$ -space and the cofree  $S$ -flow exist and we present them explicitly.

*Remark 2.1.* It is a known fact that the cofree  $S$ -set over a set  $E$ , is the set  $E^S$  of all functions from  $S$  to  $E$  with the action defined by  $s \cdot f := (t \mapsto f(st))$  for all  $f \in E^S$ ,  $s \in S$  and  $t \in S$ . Let  $E$  and  $D$  be two sets. Recall that for an  $S$ -set  $A$  and any function  $h : A \rightarrow E$ , the  $S$ -homomorphism  $\bar{h} : A \rightarrow E^S$  defined by  $\bar{h}(a) := h \circ \rho_a$  is the unique  $S$ -map such that  $\psi \circ \bar{h} = h$ , where  $\psi : E^S \rightarrow E$  is defined by  $\psi(f) := f(1)$ , for any  $f \in E^S$  (see [12]).

*Remark 2.2.* (i) Let  $S$  be a topological monoid and  $X$  be a topological space. The  $S$ -space  $S \times X$  with the product topology and the action  $\lambda_1 : S \times (S \times X) \rightarrow S \times X$ ,  $t(s, x) = (ts, x)$ , is denoted by  $L(X)$ . For a topological space  $X$ , the  $S$ -space  $X$  with the trivial action,  $sx := x$ , is denoted by  $T(X)$ .

(ii) Note that for any topological space  $X$  and a non-empty topological space  $Y$ , if we define  $c_x(y) := x$  for every  $y \in Y$ , and  $C := \{c_x | x \in X\}$ , then  $C$  as a subspace of  $C_{co}(Y, X)$  is homeomorphic to  $X$ . So the function  $j : X \rightarrow C_{co}(Y, X)$  defined by  $j(x) := c_x$  is an embedding from  $X$  to  $C_{co}(Y, X)$ . From now on, we denote this embedding by  $j_X$  for any topological space  $X$ .

By Theorem 2.9 in [6], we have

*Remark 2.3.* Let  $X$  be a topological space. Then the following are equivalent

- (a)  $X$  is exponential;
- (a) For every space  $Y$ , there exists a splitting and admissible topology on  $C(X, Y)$ ;
- (c)  $X$  is core compact.

Note that for Hausdorff spaces (and more generally for sober spaces) core compactness is the same as local compactness (see [5]). Furthermore, it is a known fact that if  $X$  is locally compact, then the compact-open topology on  $C(X, Y)$  is admissible and splitting.

<sup>1</sup>Note that the cofree objects in an arbitrary category are not injective in general.

<sup>2</sup>One can easily see that if the cofree  $S$ -flow exists over a space  $X$ , then  $X$  is compact. So this assumption is not an extra assumption.

**Theorem 2.4.** *Let  $S$  be a topological monoid. Then the following are equivalent*

- (a) *For every Tychonoff space  $X$ , the compact-open topology on  $C(S, X)$  is admissible and Tychonoff;*
- (b) *For every space  $X$ ,  $C_{co}(S, X)$  is Tychonoff and  $C_{co}(S, X)$  with the action defined by  $sf = (s' \mapsto f(ss'))$  is the cofree  $S$ -space over  $X$ .*

*Proof.* **(a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b)** Let  $X$  be a topological space. First we show that  $C_{co}(S, X)$  with its introduced action is an  $S$ -space, then we show that it has the cofree universal property. First, note that since  $S$  is a topological monoid, the action is well-defined. Let  $f \in C(S, X)$ ,  $s \in S$  and  $(K, U)$  be subbasis element for  $C_{co}(S, X)$  containing  $sf$ . Therefore for any  $k \in K$ ,  $f(sk) = (sf)(k) \in U$ . Since by the assumption, the compact-open topology on  $C(S, X)$  is admissible and since for any  $k \in K$ , we have  $\omega(sk, f) \in U$ , there exist open neighborhoods  $O_f$  and  $W_{sk}$  of  $f$  and  $sk$ , in  $C_{co}(S, X)$  and  $S$ , respectively such that  $\omega(W_{sk}, O_f) \subseteq U$ . On the other hand, since  $S$  is a topological monoid, for  $sk \in W_{sk}$ , there exist open sets  $W_s^k$  and  $W_k$  in  $S$  which contain  $\{s\}$  and  $\{k\}$ , respectively and  $W_s^k \cdot W_k \subseteq W_{sk}$ . Since  $K$  is compact and obviously  $\{W_k\}_{k \in K}$  forms an open cover for  $K$ , there exist  $k_1, \dots, k_n$  in  $K$  such that  $K \subseteq \cup_{i=1}^n W_{k_i}$ . Define  $W_s := \cap_{i=1}^n W_s^{k_i}$ . Clearly for  $W_s \in \tau_S$  we have

$$\omega(W_s \cdot K, O_f) \subseteq \omega(W_s \cdot (\cup_{i=1}^n W_{k_i}), O_f) \subseteq U \Rightarrow sf \in W_s O_f \subseteq (K, U).$$

Hence  $C_{co}(S, X)$  with its introduced action is an  $S$ -space.

Now we prove the universal property. First note that the function  $\psi : C_{co}(S, X) \rightarrow X$  is continuous. Let  $(A, \tau_A)$  be an  $S$ -space and  $h : (A, \tau_A) \rightarrow X$  be continuous. We show that for any  $S$ -space  $(A, \tau_A)$  and a continuous function  $h : (A, \tau_A) \rightarrow X$ , the function  $\bar{h} : (A, \tau_A) \rightarrow C_\tau(S, X)$  defined by  $\bar{h}(a) = (s \mapsto h(sa))$  is continuous and  $\psi \circ \bar{h} = h$ . First, note that for every  $a \in A$  and  $s \in S$ ,  $\bar{h}(a)(s) = h(sa) = h \circ \rho_a(s)$ , and since  $(A, \tau_A)$  is an  $S$ -space, for every  $a \in A$ ,  $\bar{h}(a) \in C(S, X)$ , so  $\bar{h}$  is a well defined function. Consider the continuous function

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} h \circ \lambda : & S \times A & \rightarrow & A & \rightarrow & X \\ & (s, a) & \mapsto & sa & \mapsto & h(sa) \end{array}$$

Since  $\tau$  is splitting, the function  $\widetilde{(h \circ \lambda)} : A \rightarrow C_\tau(S, X)$ , where  $\widetilde{(h \circ \lambda)}(a) := (s \mapsto (h \circ \lambda)(s, a))$ , is continuous. Therefore,  $\bar{h}$  is continuous. Hence  $C_{co}(S, X)$  with its introduced action is the cofree  $S$ -space over  $X$ .

**(b)  $\Rightarrow$  (a)** Let  $\lambda$  denote the action of the cofree  $S$ -space over  $X$ . It is a known fact that the compact-open topology is splitting. On the other hand, since  $C_{co}(S, X)$  with  $\lambda$  is an  $S$ -space and since  $\psi : C_{co}(S, X) \rightarrow X$  is continuous,  $\omega = \psi \circ \lambda$  is continuous. Therefore the compact-open topology is admissible. Therefore, the compact-open topology is admissible and Tychonoff.  $\square$

As a quick consequence of the above theorem, we have

**Corollary 2.5.** *Let  $S$  be a locally compact topological monoid. Then for any Tychonoff space  $X$ ,  $C_{co}(S, X)$  with the action defined by  $sf = f \circ \lambda_s$  is the cofree  $S$ -space over  $X$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $S$  is locally compact, by Remark 2.3, the compact-open topology on  $C(S, X)$  is admissible. On the other hand, by [5, Corollary 3.8],  $C_{co}(S, X)$  is Tychonoff. So by the above theorem we have the result.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.6.** *Let  $S$  be a completely regular topological monoid<sup>3</sup>. Then the following are equivalent:*

- (a) *for every compact space  $X$ , the compact-open topology on  $C(S, X)$  is admissible and Tychonoff;*
- (b) *for every compact space  $X$ ,  $C_{co}(S, X)$  is completely regular and there exists an action  $\tilde{\lambda} : S \times \beta(C_{co}(S, X)) \rightarrow \beta(C_{co}(S, X))$  such that  $\tilde{\lambda}|_{C_{co}(S, X)}$  coincides with the action of  $C_{co}(S, X)$  and  $\beta(C_{co}(S, X))$  is the cofree  $S$ -flow over the space  $X$ .*

*Proof.* (a) $\Rightarrow$ (b) Let  $S$  be a topological monoid such that the compact-open topology on  $C(S, X)$  is admissible, for every compact space  $X$ . Let  $X$  be a compact space and let  $\lambda$  denote the action of the cofree  $S$ -space  $C_{co}(S, X)$ . First, we introduce  $\tilde{\lambda}$  and we show that it is continuous, then we prove the universal property.

Since  $S \times C_{co}(S, X)$  is Tychonoff,  $\beta(S \times C_{co}(S, X))$  exists. By the characteristic of the Stone-Cech compactification, for the continuous action  $\lambda : S \times C_{co}(S, X) \rightarrow C_{co}(S, X)$ , there exists a continuous function  $\bar{\lambda} : \beta(S \times C_{co}(S, X)) \rightarrow \beta(C_{co}(S, X))$  such that  $\bar{\lambda}|_{S \times C_{co}(S, X)} = \lambda$ . Fix an arbitrary  $t \in S$  and define  $k : C_{co}(S, X) \rightarrow S \times C_{co}(S, X)$  as follows  $k(f) := (t, f)$ , for every  $f \in C_{co}(S, X)$ . Consider the closure of  $k(C_{co}(S, X))$  in  $\beta(S \times C_{co}(S, X))$ . It is obvious that there exists a compact space  $B$  such that the closure of  $k(C_{co}(S, X))$  in  $\beta(S \times C_{co}(S, X))$  is equal to  $\{t\} \times B$ . Again by the characteristic of the Stone-Cech compactification, there exists a continuous function  $h : \beta(C_{co}(S, X)) \rightarrow B$  such that  $h \circ i = k$ , where  $i$  is the natural inclusion map from  $C_{co}(S, X)$  to  $\beta(C_{co}(S, X))$ . Define  $\lambda' := \bar{\lambda}|_{S \times B}$ . Now we define  $\tilde{\lambda} := \lambda' \circ (id_S \times h) : S \times \beta(C_{co}(S, X)) \rightarrow S \times B \rightarrow \beta(C_{co}(S, X))$  and we show that  $\tilde{\lambda}$  is an action. Let  $b \in \beta(C_{co}(S, X))$  and  $s, s' \in S$ . Then since  $g \in \beta(C_{co}(S, X))$ , there exists a net  $(f_\alpha) \subseteq C_{co}(S, X)$  such that  $f_\alpha \rightarrow g$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\lambda}(ss', g) &= \tilde{\lambda}(ss', \lim_\alpha f_\alpha) = \lim_\alpha \lambda'(ss', k(f_\alpha)) = \lim_\alpha \lambda(ss', f_\alpha) \\ &= \lim_\alpha \lambda(s, \lambda(s', f_\alpha)) = \tilde{\lambda}(s, \tilde{\lambda}(s', g)). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\tilde{\lambda}$  is a continuous action and  $\beta(C_{co}(S, X))$  with action  $\tilde{\lambda}$  is an  $S$ -flow. Now we prove the universal property. First, let  $\tilde{\psi} : \beta(C_{co}(S, X)) \rightarrow X$  be the continuous extension of  $\psi : C_{co}(S, X) \rightarrow X$  which exists by the characteristic of the Stone-Cech compactification. To prove the universal property, we show that for any  $S$ -flow  $(F, \tau_F)$  and a continuous function  $l : (F, \tau_F) \rightarrow X$ , there

<sup>3</sup>Clearly for a topological group, this assumption is not necessary.

exists a continuous  $S$ -map  $\bar{l} : (F, \tau_F) \rightarrow \beta(C_{co}(S, X))$  such that  $\tilde{\psi} \circ \bar{l} = l$ . Let  $(F, \tau_F)$  be an  $S$ -flow and let  $l : (F, \tau_F) \rightarrow X$  be a continuous function. Since by Theorem 2.4,  $C_{co}(S, X)$  with action  $\lambda$  is the cofree  $S$ -space over  $X$ , there exists a continuous  $S$ -map  $\bar{l} : (F, \tau_F) \rightarrow C_{co}(S, X)$  such that  $\psi \circ \bar{l} = l$ . Since  $\tilde{\psi}|_{C_{co}(S, X)} = \psi$ , we have clearly  $\tilde{\psi} \circ \bar{l} = l$ . Therefore  $\beta(C_{co}(S, X))$  with action  $\tilde{\lambda}$  is the cofree  $S$ -flow over the space  $X$ .

(b)  $\Leftarrow$  (a) Suppose that there exists a continuous action  $\tilde{\lambda}$  on  $\beta(C_{co}(S, X))$  such that  $\beta(C_{co}(S, X))$  with this action is an  $S$ -flow and  $\tilde{\lambda}|_{C_{co}(S, X)} = \lambda$ , where  $\lambda$  is the action of  $C_{co}(S, X)$ . Therefore  $C_{co}(S, X)$  is an  $S$ -space. On the other hand, since  $\psi : C_{co}(S, X) \rightarrow X$  is continuous,  $\omega = \psi \circ \lambda : S \times C_{co}(S, X) \rightarrow C_{co}(S, X) \rightarrow X$  is continuous. Therefore the compact-open topology on  $C(S, X)$  is admissible and Tychonoff.  $\square$

Recall that for a topological group  $G$ , a  $G$ -space  $(A, \tau_A)$  is called  $G$ -compactifiable or  $G$ -Tychonoff, if  $(A, \tau_A)$  is a  $G$ -subspace of a  $G$ -flow (compact  $G$ -space) (see [14, 15]). Since  $S$  is locally compact, it is a Tychonoff space. Therefore by the above theorem, we have

**Corollary 2.7.** (a) *Let  $S$  be a locally compact topological monoid. Then for any compact space  $X$ , there exists an action  $\tilde{\lambda}$  on  $\beta(C_{co}(S, X))$  such that  $\beta(C_{co}(S, X))$  with this action is the cofree  $S$ -flow over the space  $X$ .*

(b) *Let  $G$  be a locally compact topological group and  $X$  be a topological space. Then the cofree  $G$ -space over  $X$  is  $G$ -compactifiable.*

### 3. INJECTIVE COFREE $S$ -SPACES AND $S$ -FLOWS

Recall that by an embedding of topological spaces ( $S$ -spaces) we mean a homeomorphism (homeomorphism  $S$ -map) onto a subspace (an  $S$ -subset). A topological space ( $S$ -space)  $Z$  is called injective over an embedding of topological spaces (of  $S$ -spaces)  $j : X \hookrightarrow Y$  if any continuous map (continuous  $S$ -homomorphism)  $f : X \rightarrow Z$  extends to a continuous map (continuous  $S$ -homomorphism)  $\bar{f} : Y \hookrightarrow Z$  along  $j$ . A space (an  $S$ -space) is injective if it is injective over embeddings (see [5]).

**Proposition 3.1.** *Let  $S$  be a completely regular topological monoid and  $(E, \tau)$  be an  $S$ -space. If  $(E, \tau)$  is an injective  $S$ -space, then  $(|E|, \tau)$  is injective in **Tych**.*

*Proof.* Suppose that we are given the following diagram in **Tych**

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & i \\ & X & \hookrightarrow Y \\ f \downarrow & & \\ & (E, \tau) & \end{array}$$

where  $X$  and  $Y$  are topological spaces and  $f$  is a continuous function. Now consider the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & & id \times i \\
 & & \hookrightarrow \\
 id \times f & L(X) & L(Y) \\
 & \downarrow & \\
 & S \times E & \swarrow \\
 \lambda & \downarrow & h \\
 & E & 
 \end{array}$$

Since  $(E, \tau)$  is an injective  $S$ -space, there exists a continuous  $S$ -map  $h$  from  $L(Y)$  to  $(E, \tau)$  such that  $h(id \times i) = \lambda(id \times f)$ . (Note that  $\lambda(id \times f)$  is a continuous  $S$ -homomorphism.)

Note that for any topological space  $Z$ , the spaces  $Z$  and  $Z \times \{1\}$  with the product topology are homeomorphic. Furthermore, we have  $(id \times i)|_{\{1\} \times X} : \{1\} \times X \hookrightarrow \{1\} \times Y$ , and

$$\lambda \circ (id \times i)(1, x) = h \circ (id \times i)(1, x) = f(x).$$

Now, define  $h' := h|_{\{1\} \times Y} : \{1\} \times Y \rightarrow E$  and consider the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & (id \times i)|_{\{1\} \times X} & \\
 & \longrightarrow & \\
 g_1 & \{1\} \times X & \longrightarrow \{1\} \times Y \subseteq S \times Y \\
 & \downarrow & \downarrow g_2 \\
 & X & \longrightarrow Y \\
 f & \downarrow & i \\
 & E & 
 \end{array}$$

where  $g_1$  and  $g_2$  are the following homeomorphisms

$$\begin{array}{l}
 g_1 : \{1\} \times X \rightarrow X, \quad \text{and} \quad g_2 : \{1\} \times Y \rightarrow Y \\
 (1, x) \mapsto x \qquad \qquad \qquad (1, y) \mapsto y.
 \end{array}$$

Since  $g_1$  and  $g_2$  are homeomorphisms and,  $h'((id \times i)|_{\{1\} \times X}) = \lambda((id \times f)|_{\{1\} \times X}) = fg_1$ , we have

$$h' \circ (id \times i)|_{\{1\} \times X} \circ g_1^{-1} = f. \quad (I)$$

On the other hand, since the rectangular in the above diagram is commutative, we have

$$(id \times i)|_{\{1\} \times X} \circ g_1^{-1} = g_2^{-1} \circ i. \quad (II)$$

Now, define  $f^\circ := h' \circ g_2^{-1}$ . Clearly, by the Relations (I) and (II),  $f^\circ$  is a continuous function from  $Y$  to  $E$  such that

$$f^\circ i = h' g_2^{-1} i = h' \circ (id \times i)|_{\{1\} \times X} \circ g_1^{-1} = f.$$

□

similarly, we can prove that

**Proposition 3.2.** *Let  $S$  be a compact topological monoid and  $(F, \tau_F)$  be an  $S$ -flow. If  $(F, \tau_F)$  is an injective  $S$ -flow, then  $(|F|, \tau_F)$  is injective in the category of compact Hausdorff spaces.*

It is known that the cofree  $S$ -spaces are not injective in general. In the next proposition, we characterize the injective cofree  $S$ -spaces when  $S$  is a locally compact topological monoid.

**Proposition 3.3.** *For a locally compact monoid  $S$  and a topological space  $X$ , the cofree  $S$ -space over  $X$ ,  $C_{co}(S, X)$  is injective in **S-Tych** if and only if  $X$  is injective in **Tych**.*

*Proof.* ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Suppose that we are given the following diagram in **Tych**

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Z & \hookrightarrow & Y \\ f \downarrow & & \\ X & & \end{array}$$

Consider the following diagram in **S-Tych**.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T(Z) & \hookrightarrow & T(Y) \\ j_X \circ f \downarrow & & \\ C_{co}(S, X) & & \end{array}$$

Since  $C_{co}(S, X)$  is injective, there exists a continuous  $S$ -homomorphism  $h : T(Y) \rightarrow C_{co}(S, X)$  such that  $h \circ i = j_X \circ f$ . Therefore,  $f = \psi \circ h \circ i$ . Take  $k := \psi \circ h$ . Hence  $f = k \circ i$  and  $X$  is injective.

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Suppose that we are given  $i : (A, \tau_A) \hookrightarrow (B, \tau_B)$  and  $f : (A, \tau_A) \rightarrow C_{co}(S, X)$  for two  $S$ -spaces  $(A, \tau_A)$  and  $(B, \tau_B)$ . Consider the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & i \\ & & \downarrow \\ & (A, \tau_A) & \hookrightarrow & (B, \tau_B) \\ f \downarrow & & & \\ & C_{co}(S, X) & & \\ \psi \downarrow & & & \\ & X & & \end{array}$$

Since  $X$  is injective in **Tych**, there exists  $g : (B, \tau_B) \rightarrow X$  such that  $g \circ i = \psi \circ f$ . Since  $C_{co}(S, X)$  is the cofree  $S$ -space over  $X$ , there exists  $h : (B, \tau_B) \rightarrow C_{co}(S, X)$  such that  $\psi \circ h = g$ . We claim that  $h \circ i = f$ . Clearly we have  $\psi \circ h \circ i = \psi \circ f$ . So for every  $a \in A$  and  $s \in S$ , we have  $h \circ i(a)(s) = h \circ i(a) \circ \lambda_s(1) = \psi(h \circ i(a) \circ \lambda_s) = \psi(f(a) \circ \lambda_s) = f(a) \circ \lambda_s(1) = f(a)(s)$ . Hence,  $h \circ i = f$ , as we wanted. So  $C_{co}(S, X)$  is an injective  $S$ -space. Hence  $C_{co}(S, X)$  is injective in **Tych**.  $\square$

Similarly we have

**Proposition 3.4.** *For a completely regular monoid  $S$  and a compact Hausdorff space  $X$ , the cofree  $S$ -flow over  $X$ ,  $\beta(C_{co}(S, X))$  is injective in the category of  $S$ -flows if and only if  $X$  is injective in the category of compact Hausdorff spaces.*

As an immediate result of Propositions 3.1 and 3.3, we have

**Proposition 3.5.** *Let  $S$  be a locally compact monoid.  $C_{co}(S, X)$  is injective in **Tych** if and only if  $C_{co}(S, X)$  is injective in **S-Tych**.*

*Proof.* ( $\Leftarrow$ ) Since for any space  $Z$ ,  $T(Z)$  is an  $S$ -space, the result is obvious.

( $\Rightarrow$ ) Suppose that  $C_{co}(S, X)$  is injective in **Tych** and we are given  $i : (A, \tau_A) \hookrightarrow (B, \tau_B)$  and  $f : (A, \tau_A) \rightarrow C_{co}(S, X)$  for two  $S$ -spaces  $(A, \tau_A)$  and  $(B, \tau_B)$ . Since  $C_{co}(S, X)$  is injective in **Tych**, there exists a continuous function  $g : (B, \tau_B) \rightarrow C_{co}(S, X)$  such that  $g \circ i = f$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & & i \\
 & (A, \tau_A) & \hookrightarrow & (B, \tau_B) \\
 f & \downarrow & \swarrow g & \\
 & C_{co}(S, X) & & \\
 \psi & \downarrow & & \\
 & X & & 
 \end{array}$$

Since  $C_{co}(S, X)$  is the cofree  $S$ -space over  $X$  and  $\psi \circ g : (B, \tau_B) \rightarrow X$  is continuous, there exists a continuous  $S$ -homomorphism  $h : (B, \tau_B) \rightarrow C_{co}(S, X)$  such that  $\psi \circ h = \psi \circ g$ . Clearly we have  $\psi \circ h \circ i = \psi \circ g \circ i$ . So, by the same argument as the proof of Proposition 3.3, we have  $h \circ i = f$ . Hence  $C_{co}(S, X)$  is injective in **S-Tych**.  $\square$

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