

**Lemma 2**

Let  $X, Y$  be Tychonoff spaces and  $cX, cY$  be  $T_2$  compactifications of  $X, Y$ . Let  $f$  be a continuous function from  $X$  onto  $Y$ ,  $\bar{f}$  be the continuous extension of  $f$ . Let  $A$  be a closed subset of  $X$ . Then we have:

- (i) If  $f[A]$  is not closed in  $Y$  then there exists an element  $x \in cl_{cX}A \setminus A$  such that  $\bar{f}(x) \in cl_Y f[A] \setminus f[A]$ .
- (ii) If  $f[A]$  is closed in  $Y$  then for any element  $x \in cl_{cX}A \setminus A$  for which  $\bar{f}(x) \in Y$  holds, we have  $\bar{f}(x) \in f[A]$  holds.

**Fact:**  $cl_{cY} f[A] = \bar{f}[cl_{cX}A]$ .

Since  $\bar{f}$  is a closed map from  $cX$  to  $cY$ ,  $\bar{f}[cl_{cX}A]$  is closed in  $cY$ . Moreover, since  $\bar{f}[cl_{cX}A]$  is a closed set containing the set  $\bar{f}[A]$  as well as the set  $f[A]$ ,  $cl_{cY} f[A]$  must be a subset of  $\bar{f}[cl_{cX}A]$  by the definition of closures. Hence  $cl_{cY} f[A] \subseteq \bar{f}[cl_{cX}A]$ . By continuity,  $\bar{f}[cl_{cX}A] \subseteq cl_{cY} f[A] = cl_{cY} f[A]$ .

*Proof of (i):*

By the Fact,  $cl_{cY} f[A] \subseteq \bar{f}[cl_{cX}A]$ , we get  $cl_{cY} f[A] \cap Y \setminus f[A] \subseteq \bar{f}[cl_{cX}A] \cap Y \setminus f[A]$ . By assumption,  $f[A]$  is not closed in  $Y$ . So,  $cl_{cY} f[A] \cap Y \setminus f[A] \neq \emptyset$ . Then, we get  $\bar{f}[cl_{cX}A] \cap Y \setminus f[A] \neq \emptyset$  as well, which is equivalent of saying that there exists an element  $x \in cl_{cX}A$  such that  $\bar{f}(x) \in \bar{f}[cl_{cX}A] \cap Y \setminus f[A] = cl_Y \bar{f}[A] \setminus f[A]$ .

*Proof of (ii):*

From the Fact, We have  $\bar{f}[cl_{cX}A] \subseteq cl_{cY} f[A] \Rightarrow \bar{f}[cl_{cX}A] \cap Y \subseteq cl_{cY} f[A] \cap Y$ . By assumption,  $f[A]$  is closed in  $Y$ , so  $cl_{cY} f[A] \cap Y = f[A]$ . So now we have  $\bar{f}[cl_{cX}A] \cap Y \subseteq f[A]$ , and it gives us that if  $x \in cl_{cX}A \setminus A$  and if  $\bar{f}(x) \in Y$ , then  $\bar{f}(x) \in f[A]$ , as desired.