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# CONVERGENCES, PRETOPOLOGIES AND PROXIMITIES INDUCED BY CAUCHY AND RIESZ SCREENS

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ABSTRACT. We answer a question of Császár [12]: under which conditions a given pretopological closure or proximity can be induced by a Cauchy structure? We give a characterization for these closures and proximities using properties of convergences and nasses [14] induced by Cauchy structures. We prove also that the set of Cauchy screens inducing a given reciprocal convergence structure is a non empty interval of the set of Cauchy screens equipped with the usual inclusion order.

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## 1. Introduction

The starting point of this paper is a question asked and investigated by Császár in [12]: under which conditions a given pretopological closure or proximity can be induced by a Cauchy screen (or Cauchy structure)?

Recall [1] that a pretopological space  $(X, c)$  is given by a set  $X$  and a **pretopological closure**  $c$  on  $X$ , that is, a mapping  $c : \mathcal{P}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$  from the power set of  $X$  to itself satisfying the following conditions:

- (CL1)  $c(\emptyset) = \emptyset$ ;
- (CL2)  $\forall A \in \mathcal{P}(X), A \subset c(A)$ ;
- (CL3)  $\forall A, B \in \mathcal{P}(X), c(A \cup B) = c(A) \cup c(B)$ .

It is well known that a pretopological structure on a set  $X$  can be given equivalently by a pretopological closure or a pretopological convergence or also by a family  $(\mathcal{V}(x))_{x \in X}$  of filters on  $X$ , each  $\mathcal{V}(x)$  being fixed at  $x$ .

Recall that a **proximity** (in the sense of [1]) on a set  $X$  is a binary symmetric relation  $\delta$  on  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  such that:

- (P0)  $\forall A \in \mathcal{P}(X), \emptyset(\text{non-}\delta)A$  <sup>1</sup>
- (P1)  $\forall A, B \in \mathcal{P}(X) : A \cap B \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow A\delta B$
- (P2)  $\forall A, B, C \in \mathcal{P}(X) : A\delta(B \cup C) \Leftrightarrow A\delta B \text{ or } A\delta C$ .

Such a relation induces a pretopological closure  $c$  on  $X$  defined by :

$$x \in c(A) \Leftrightarrow \{x\}\delta A.$$

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<sup>1</sup>We write  $A\delta B$  for  $(A, B) \in \delta$  and  $A(\text{non-}\delta)B$  for  $(A, B) \notin \delta$

According to the terminology of [11] a **screen** on a set  $X$  is a family  $\mathcal{C}$  of proper filters (that is, not containing  $\emptyset$ ) on  $X$  such that:

$$(SC0) \quad \forall x \in X, \dot{x} \in \mathcal{C}^2$$

$$(SC1) \quad \text{for any filters } \mathcal{F} \text{ and } \mathcal{G}, \text{ if } \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{C} \text{ and } \mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{G} \text{ then } \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{C}.$$

In the terminology of [15] the pair  $(X, \mathcal{C})$  is a **filterspace**.

A screen  $\mathcal{C}$  is a **Cauchy screen** (or a **Cauchy structure** in [16] and [7]) if it satisfies the following condition:

$$(SC2) \quad \text{If } \mathcal{F} \text{ and } \mathcal{G} \text{ are members of } \mathcal{C} \text{ such that } \mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{G}^\# \text{ then } \mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{G} \text{ is also in } \mathcal{C}$$

where  $\mathcal{G}^\#$  denotes the set  $\{A \in \mathcal{P}(X) : \forall B \in \mathcal{G}, A \cap B \neq \emptyset\}$ .

The set of screens on  $X$  is equipped with the following order: a screen  $\mathcal{C}$  is **coarser than** a screen  $\mathcal{C}'$ , or  $\mathcal{C}'$  is **finer than**  $\mathcal{C}$ , if  $\mathcal{C}' \subset \mathcal{C}$ .

Any screen  $\mathcal{C}$  induces a convergence structure  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{C}}$  given by:

$$\mathcal{F} \rightarrow_{\mathcal{C}} x \quad \text{if and only if} \quad \mathcal{F} \cap \dot{x} \in \mathcal{C}$$

It also induces a proximity  $\delta$  and a pretopological closure  $c$  as follows:

$$A\delta B \Leftrightarrow \exists \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{C}, A, B \in \mathcal{F}^\#$$

$$x \in c(A) \Leftrightarrow \exists \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{C}, (\{x\}, A) \in \mathcal{F}^\# \times \mathcal{F}^\#$$

where  $\mathcal{F}^\#$  is defined as above.

This closure  $c$  is also the pretopological closure induced by the convergence  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{C}}$ .

In section 4 we give an answer to Császár's question. We use the one-to-one correspondence between proximities and *nasses* of Haddad (reflexive and closed graph relations on the set of ultrafilters) and also properties concerning convergences induced by Cauchy screens.

It is known that the convergences induced by a screen are the *Kent convergences* [15] and those induced by a Cauchy screen are the *reciprocal limit structures* [7]. In section 3 we study some order properties of screens and convergences: we prove for example that those (Cauchy) screens inducing a given convergence form a non empty interval of the ordered set of (Cauchy) screens, in particular there exist a coarsest and a finest one. We study also the relationship between properties of convergences and properties of some screens inducing them.

Section 4 deals with those *nasses*, proximities and closures induced by (Cauchy) screens and uses results from section 3.

Section 2 is about notations and definitions.

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<sup>2</sup> $\dot{x}$  denotes the ultrafilter on  $X$  containing  $\{x\}$ .

## 2. Notations and basic definitions.

**2.1. Filters and grills.** We give here some terminology, notation and basic useful facts about filters, grills and ultrafilters. For more details, the reader may consult [19] and [20].

As in [13] a subset  $\mathcal{F}$  of  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  such that :  $(A \in \mathcal{F}, A \subset B \Rightarrow B \in \mathcal{F})$ , will be called a **semifilter** (it is a *stack* in [20],) and for any semifilter, we write

$$\mathcal{F}^\# = \{A \in \mathcal{P}(X) : \forall F \in \mathcal{F}, F \cap A \neq \emptyset\}$$

(it is denoted by  $\text{sec } \mathcal{F}$  in [7]);  $\mathcal{F}^\#$  is again a semifilter and  $\mathcal{F} \mapsto \mathcal{F}^\#$  is an idempotent map such that:  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{G} \iff \mathcal{G}^\# \subset \mathcal{F}^\#$ .

Furthermore we have for any semifilter  $\mathcal{F}$ :  $A \in \mathcal{F}^\# \iff X \setminus A \notin \mathcal{F}$ .

We call a **filter on  $X$**  any nonempty semifilter  $\mathcal{F}$  such that  $A \cap B \in \mathcal{F}$  whenever  $A$  and  $B$  are in  $\mathcal{F}$ . A filter is **proper** if it is not equal to  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  (which is to say that  $\emptyset \notin \mathcal{F}$ ).

We denote by  $\phi(X)$  the set of proper filters on  $X$ . A filter  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $X$  is said to be **centered** (or **fixed**) if its center  $\cap\{F : F \in \mathcal{F}\}$  is not empty otherwise it is **free**, and if  $x$  is in  $\cap\{F : F \in \mathcal{F}\}$ , we say that  $\mathcal{F}$  is **fixed at  $x$** . An **ultrafilter** is a maximal filter.

If  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  are filters on  $X$  such that  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{G}^\#$ , then  $\mathcal{F} \vee \mathcal{G}$  denotes the filter generated by  $\mathcal{F} \cup \mathcal{G}$ . We say that  $\mathcal{F}$  **mesh**  $\mathcal{G}$  (or  **$\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  mesh**) whenever  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{G}^\#$ .

A **filter grill** (or a **grill** for short) is a semifilter  $\mathcal{G}$  not equal to  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  and for which  $A \cup B \in \mathcal{G}$  if and only if  $A$  or  $B$  is in  $\mathcal{G}$ . These were introduced by Choquet in [6]. Recall that the map  $\mathcal{F} \mapsto \mathcal{F}^\#$  is a bijection between filters and grills, fixed points of which are exactly the ultrafilters on  $X$  and we have for any filter  $\mathcal{F}$  and any grill  $\mathcal{G}$ :  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{G}$  if and only if  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{U} \subset \mathcal{G}$  for some ultrafilter  $\mathcal{U}$  on  $X$ .

Let  $\beta X$  be the set of ultrafilters on  $X$  and for any  $A \subset X$  let  $\beta A$  be the set of ultrafilters containing  $A$ .  $\beta X$  is equipped with the usual compact topology for which  $\{\beta A : A \subset X\}$  is a base of open sets.

We write  $\dot{x}$  for the ultrafilter containing  $\{x\}$ . Recall that  $\dot{x}$  is an isolated point of  $\beta X$  and that a subset  $\mathbb{D}$  of  $\beta X$  is dense in  $\beta X$  if and only if  $\mathbb{D}$  contains all of the centered ultrafilters.

For any filter  $\mathcal{F}$ , we denote by  $\beta(\mathcal{F})$  the closed set of all ultrafilters containing  $\mathcal{F}$  (or contained in  $\mathcal{F}^\#$ ). For any filters  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$ , we have:  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{G}^\#$  if and only if  $\beta(\mathcal{F}) \cap \beta(\mathcal{G}) \neq \emptyset$ , in particular  $A \in \mathcal{F}^\#$  if and only if  $\beta A \cap \beta(\mathcal{F}) \neq \emptyset$ .

For all filters  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$ ,  $\beta(\mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{G}) = \beta(\mathcal{F}) \cup \beta(\mathcal{G})$ , that is, any ultrafilter containing  $\mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{G}$  contains  $\mathcal{F}$  or  $\mathcal{G}$ .

Recall also that there exists a bijection between closed subsets of  $\beta X$  and filters on  $X$ . Actually for any subset  $\mathbb{F}$  of  $\beta X$  and any filter  $\mathcal{F}$ , we have:  $\mathcal{F} = \cap\{\mathcal{U} : \mathcal{U} \in \mathbb{F}\}$  if and only if  $\beta(\mathcal{F}) = \overline{\mathbb{F}}$ .

Finally, an **elementary filter**  $\mathcal{F}$  [11] is a filter for which  $\beta(\mathcal{F})$  is finite, i.e.  $\mathcal{F}$  is a finite intersection of ultrafilters. If  $\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V} \in \beta X$ , we call the filter

$\mathcal{U} \cap \mathcal{V}$  a **bi-ultrafilter**, notice that  $\beta(\mathcal{U} \cap \mathcal{V}) = \{\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V}\}$ . Any ultrafilter is a bi-ultrafilter.

**2.2. Convergences.** A **convergence structure** (or a **convergence**) on a set  $X$  is a relation  $\xi$  from  $\phi(X)$  to  $X$  such that:

- (C0)  $(\dot{x}, x) \in \xi$  for all  $x \in X$ ,
- (C1) For all filters  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$ ,  $(\mathcal{G}, x) \in \xi$  whenever  $(\mathcal{F}, x) \in \xi$  and  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{G}$ .

We will also write  $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow_{\xi} x$  or  $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow x$  for  $(\mathcal{F}, x) \in \xi$  and we will say that  $\mathcal{F}$  **converges to**  $x$  or that  $x$  is a **limit point** of  $\mathcal{F}$ . A filter  $\mathcal{F}$  is said to be **convergent** if it admits a limit point.

A convergence  $\xi$  is **coarser than** a convergence  $\tau$  (or  $\tau$  is **finer than**  $\xi$ ) if:

$$\mathcal{F} \rightarrow_{\tau} x \implies \mathcal{F} \rightarrow_{\xi} x$$

and we write :  $\tau \leq \xi$ .

Following [15] a convergence  $\xi$  is a **Kent convergence** provided that the following is satisfied:

- (C2) If  $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow x$  then  $\mathcal{F} \cap \dot{x} \rightarrow x$ .

A convergence  $\xi$  is said to be a **limit structure** if the following is satisfied:

- (C3) if  $x$  is a limit point of the filters  $\mathcal{F}_1$  and  $\mathcal{F}_2$ , then  $\mathcal{F}_1 \cap \mathcal{F}_2$  converges to  $x$ .

A convergence  $\xi$  is **pseudotopological** [5] provided that:

- (C4)  $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow x \iff \forall \mathcal{U} \in \beta(\mathcal{F}), \mathcal{U} \rightarrow x$ .

Given a convergence  $\xi$  one assigns to any point  $x$  of  $X$  the **neighborhood filter**  $\mathcal{V}_{\xi}(x)$  (or  $\mathcal{V}(x)$ ) of  $x$  defined by:

$$\mathcal{V}_{\xi}(x) = \cap \{\mathcal{F} : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow_{\xi} x\}.$$

We have also  $\mathcal{V}_{\xi}(x) = \cap \{\mathcal{U} \in \beta X : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow_{\xi} x\}$ .

The pretopology associated to the system of neighborhood filters  $(\mathcal{V}_{\xi}(x))_{x \in X}$  is the **pretopology associated to**  $\xi$ .

A convergence  $\xi$  is **pretopological** [5] provided that for all  $x$ ,  $\mathcal{V}_{\xi}(x) \rightarrow_{\xi} x$ , or equivalently if:

- (C5)  $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow_{\xi} x \iff \mathcal{V}_{\xi}(x) \subset \mathcal{F}$

that is to say that  $\xi$  is the convergence related to its associated pretopological structure.

We have :  $(C5) \Rightarrow (C4) \Rightarrow (C3) \Rightarrow (C2)$ .

Recall (with the terminology of [18]) that for any convergence  $\xi$  there exists a **pseudotopological modification**  $Ps\xi$  which is the finest pseudotopological convergence coarser than  $\xi$  and a **pretopological modification**  $Pr\xi$  which is the finest pretopological convergence coarser than  $\xi$ . They are respectively defined by:

$$\mathcal{F} \rightarrow_{Ps\xi} x \iff \forall \mathcal{U} \in \beta(\mathcal{F}), \mathcal{U} \rightarrow_{\xi} x \iff \beta(\mathcal{F}) \subset \mathbb{F}_x$$

where  $\mathbb{F}_x = \{\mathcal{U} \in \beta X : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow_\xi x\}$ , and:

$$\mathcal{F} \rightarrow_{Pr\xi} x \iff \mathcal{V}_\xi(x) \subset \mathcal{F}.$$

In other words,  $Pr\xi$  is the convergence associated to the pretopology with neighborhood filters  $(\mathcal{V}_\xi(x))_{x \in X}$ . We have  $\xi \leq Ps\xi \leq Pr\xi$ .

### 3. Convergences and screens.

To every screen  $\mathcal{C}$  one assigns its **induced convergence** which is defined by:

$$\mathcal{F} \rightarrow_{\mathcal{C}} x \quad \text{if and only if} \quad \mathcal{F} \cap \dot{x} \in \mathcal{C}$$

Notice that any convergent filter is member of  $\mathcal{C}$ .

For any screen  $\mathcal{C}$  the neighborhood filter of a point  $x$  (with respect to the induced convergence) is given by:

$$\mathcal{V}(x) = \cap\{\mathcal{F} : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow_{\mathcal{C}} x\} = \cap\{\mathcal{F} : \mathcal{F} \cap \dot{x} \in \mathcal{C}\} = \cap\{\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{C} : \mathcal{F} \subset \dot{x}\}$$

According to [11] a screen  $\mathcal{C}$  is said to be **Riesz** if for all  $x \in X$ ,  $\mathcal{V}(x) \in \mathcal{C}$ .

It is known that to a Cauchy screen  $\mathcal{C}$  on  $X$  one can associate an **equivalence relation**  $\sim$  on  $\mathcal{C}$ , which we call **associated to  $\mathcal{C}$** , defined as follows:

$$\mathcal{F} \sim \mathcal{G} \iff \mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{C}.$$

Then we have:

$$\mathcal{F} \rightarrow_{\mathcal{C}} x \iff \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{C} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{F} \sim \dot{x}.$$

**3.1. Properties of convergences induced by particular screens.** Recall first the following definitions and results of [15] and [7] (propositions 3.1.1 and 3.1.2).

**Definition 3.1.1.** *A convergence  $\xi$  is called **symmetric** if the following is satisfied:*

(S0) *If  $\mathcal{F}$  is a convergent filter and  $\mathcal{F} \subset \dot{y}$  then  $\mathcal{F}$  converges to  $y$ .*

*The convergence  $\xi$  is said to be **reciprocal** if provided some filter converges to both  $x$  and  $y$ , then a filter converges to  $x$  if and only if it converges to  $y$ .*

It is easy to see that a reciprocal convergence is symmetric.

**Proposition 3.1.1.** [15] *A convergence  $\xi$  is induced by a screen if and only if it is a symmetric Kent convergence. Any symmetric Kent convergence is induced by the screen of its convergent filters.*

**Proposition 3.1.2.** [7] *A convergence on a set  $X$  is induced by a Cauchy structure if and only if it is a reciprocal limit structure.*

*Furthermore for any reciprocal limit structure  $\xi$  the screen  $\text{Conv}(\xi)$  of its convergent filters is a Cauchy screen inducing  $\xi$ .*

From these results we get corollaries 3.1.1 and 3.1.2 below.

**Corollary 3.1.1.** *A symmetric Kent convergence  $\xi$  is induced by a Cauchy screen if and only if the screen  $Conv(\xi)$  of its convergent filters is a Cauchy screen.*

For a pretopological convergence it is easy to see that (S0) is equivalent to each one of properties (S1), (S1'), (S1'') given below. Closures satisfying (S1) are called **weakly separated** in [10]. Thus proposition 3.1.1 gives the following corollary.

**Corollary 3.1.2.** *A pretopological convergence with associated neighborhood filters  $(\mathcal{V}(x))_{x \in X}$  and closure  $c$  is induced by a screen if and only if it satisfies (S0) which in turn is equivalent to each of the following properties:*

$$(S1) \quad c(\{x\}) \cap c(A) \neq \emptyset \iff x \in c(A)$$

$$(S1') \quad \mathcal{V}(x) \neq \mathcal{V}(y) \implies \exists V \in \mathcal{V}(x) : y \notin V \text{ i.e. } y \notin c(\{x\})$$

$$(S1'') \quad y \in c(\{x\}) \text{ if and only if for all } A \subset X : x \in c(A) \iff y \in c(A).$$

*In particular  $c$  is symmetric in the sense of [10], i.e.*

$$y \in c(\{x\}) \text{ if and only if } x \in c(\{y\}).$$

**Remark and example.** For any limit structure  $\xi$ , if  $Conv(\xi)$  is a Cauchy screen, then  $\xi$  is not necessarily induced by a Cauchy screen. For example take a set  $X$ ,  $x_0$  and  $y_0$  distinct points of  $X$ , and consider the convergence  $\xi$  for which each  $\dot{x}$  converges to  $x$  and  $\dot{x}_0 \cap \dot{y}_0$  and  $\dot{x}_0$  converge to  $y_0$ ,  $\xi$  is a limit structure but it is not reciprocal not even symmetric and it is easy to see that  $Conv(\xi)$  is a Cauchy screen.

**Remark about property (S0).**

For any limit structure, property (S0) is equivalent to the following symmetry axiom of [7] (denoted by (S0) in [16]):

$$(S0') \quad \text{if } \dot{x} \rightarrow y \text{ then: } \mathcal{F} \rightarrow x \iff \mathcal{F} \rightarrow y.$$

Concerning Riesz screens we can prove the following result.

**Proposition 3.1.3.** *A convergence  $\xi$  is induced by a Riesz screen if and only if  $\xi$  is pretopological and symmetric. In this case  $Conv(\xi)$  is a Riesz screen inducing  $\xi$ .*

**Proof.** If  $\xi$  is pretopological with property (S0) then by proposition 3.1.1,  $\xi$  is induced by the screen  $Conv(\xi)$  of its convergent filters. Therefore the neighborhood filter at a point  $x$  for the convergence  $\rightarrow_{Conv(\xi)}$  coincides with the neighborhood filter for the convergence  $\xi$ . Finally  $Conv(\xi)$  is a Riesz screen since  $\xi$  is pretopological and every neighborhood filter is convergent.

Conversely if  $\xi$  is induced by a Riesz screen  $\mathcal{C}$ , then the neighborhood filter at a point  $x$  is member of  $\mathcal{C}$  and so converges to  $x$  since it is fixed at  $x$ . This proves that  $\xi$  is pretopological.  $\square$

It follows from propositions 3.1.2 and 3.1.3:

**Corollary 3.1.3.** *A convergence  $\xi$  is induced by a Riesz Cauchy screen if and only if it is pretopological and reciprocal.*

According to [11] a pretopological space with associated neighborhood filters  $(\mathcal{V}(x))_{x \in X}$  is an **(S2)-pretopological space** if the following separation condition is satisfied:

$$(S2) \quad \forall x, y \in X, \quad \mathcal{V}(x) \subset \mathcal{V}(y)^\# \implies \mathcal{V}(x) = \mathcal{V}(y).$$

Notice that the condition  $[\mathcal{V}(x) \subset \mathcal{V}(y)^\#]$  is equivalent to the existence of a filter converging to both  $x$  and  $y$ .

It is then easy to see that a pretopological convergence  $\xi$ , with associated neighborhood filters  $(\mathcal{V}(x))_{x \in X}$ , is reciprocal if and only if condition (S2) is satisfied.

**Corollary 3.1.4.** *A convergence  $\xi$  is induced by a Riesz Cauchy screen if and only if it is pretopological and reciprocal if and only if  $\xi$  is the convergence associated to an (S2) pretopological space.*

Finally we will characterize reciprocal pseudotopological convergences using the following definition taken from [17].

**Definition 3.1.2.** *A Cauchy screen  $\mathcal{C}$  is **full** if a filter  $\mathcal{F}$  is in  $\mathcal{C}$  whenever  $\beta(\mathcal{F})$  is contained in an equivalence class of  $\mathcal{C}$  (for the equivalence relation  $\sim$ ).*

**Proposition 3.1.4.** *A convergence  $\xi$  is induced by a full Cauchy screen if and only if  $\xi$  is pseudotopological and reciprocal. In this case  $Conv(\xi)$  is a full Cauchy screen inducing  $\xi$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $\xi$  be induced by some full Cauchy screen  $\mathcal{C}$ . The convergence  $\xi$  is reciprocal. We prove that it is pseudotopological. If  $\mathcal{F}$  is a filter such that every ultrafilter of  $\beta(\mathcal{F})$  converges to some point  $x$ , then  $\beta(\mathcal{F})$  is contained in the equivalence class of  $\dot{x}$  in  $\mathcal{C}$  and then  $\mathcal{F}$  is in  $\mathcal{C}$  and is also equivalent to  $\dot{x}$ , therefore  $\mathcal{F}$  converges to  $x$ .

Conversely if  $\xi$  is pseudotopological and reciprocal then it is induced by the Cauchy screen  $Conv(\xi)$ . Let us see that this screen is full. Assume that for some filter  $\mathcal{F}$ ,  $\beta(\mathcal{F})$  is contained in an equivalence class of  $Conv(\xi)$ . There exists a filter  $\mathcal{G}$  converging to a point  $x$  such that  $\beta(\mathcal{F})$  is contained in the equivalence class of  $\mathcal{G}$  which is also the equivalence class of  $\dot{x}$ . Then every member of  $\beta(\mathcal{F})$  converges to  $x$  and since  $\xi$  is pseudotopological we conclude that  $\mathcal{F}$  converges also to  $x$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  is in  $Conv(\xi)$ .  $\square$

**3.2. Order properties for the set of screens inducing a given convergence.** Recall that  $x$  is a **cluster point** for a given filter  $\mathcal{F}$  with respect to a given convergence if and only if there exists a filter  $\mathcal{G}$  containing  $\mathcal{F}$  converging to  $x$ . We introduce now the following definitions generalizing notions given by Császár in the pretopological setting (cf. [10], [12]).

**Definition 3.2.1.** Let  $\xi$  be a convergence on a set  $X$ . A filter  $\mathcal{F}$  is called:

- (i)  $\xi$ -**compressed** if:  $\mathcal{F} \subset \dot{x} \Rightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow x$ ;
- (ii) **strongly  $\xi$ -compressed** whenever any cluster point for  $\mathcal{F}$  is a limit point for  $\mathcal{F}$ .

We denote by  $Comp(\xi)$  the set of all  $\xi$ -compressed filters and by  $SComp(\xi)$  the set of all strongly  $\xi$ -compressed filters.

**Remarks.**

1. If  $\xi$  is the convergence induced by a pretopological closure  $c$  on  $X$ , then the  $c$ -compressed and strongly  $c$ -compressed filters of Császár are precisely the  $\xi$ -compressed and strongly  $\xi$ -compressed filters respectively.

2. A convergent filter is compressed if and only if the convergence is symmetric. Generally a convergent filter is not necessarily compressed even for a Kent convergence or a limit structure as the example given in the preceding subsection shows.

**Lemma 3.2.1.** The sets  $Comp(\xi)$  and  $SComp(\xi)$  are screens on  $X$  and we have:  $SComp(\xi) \subset Comp(\xi)$ .

The proof is straightforward.

**Theorem 3.2.1.** Let  $\xi$  be a symmetric Kent convergence on  $X$ . Denote by  $Conv(\xi)$  the screen of convergent filters.

For any screen  $\mathcal{C}$  inducing a symmetric Kent convergence  $\xi'$ , we have :

- (i)  $\xi \leq \xi' \Leftrightarrow Conv(\xi) \subset \mathcal{C}$
- (ii)  $\xi' \leq \xi \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{C} \subset Comp(\xi)$

In particular  $\xi$  is induced by any screen between  $Conv(\xi)$  and  $Comp(\xi)$ ,  $Conv(\xi)$  is the finest,  $Comp(\xi)$  is the coarsest.

**Proof.**

(i) Clearly, if  $\xi \leq \xi'$  where  $\xi'$  is induced by  $\mathcal{C}$  then  $Conv(\xi) \subset \mathcal{C}$ . Conversely assume that  $Conv(\xi) \subset \mathcal{C}$ , if  $\mathcal{F}$  converges to  $x$  for  $\xi$  then  $\mathcal{F} \cap \dot{x}$  converges to  $x$  since  $\xi$  satisfies (C2), so  $\mathcal{F} \cap \dot{x}$  is in  $\mathcal{C}$ .

(ii) Assume that  $\xi' \leq \xi$  and let  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{C}$ . If  $\mathcal{F} \subset \dot{x}$  then  $\mathcal{F} \cap \dot{x} \in \mathcal{C}$ , therefore  $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow_{\xi'} x$  and  $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow_{\xi} x$ , which proves that  $\mathcal{F}$  is  $\xi$ -compressed and that  $\mathcal{C} \subset Comp(\xi)$ .

Conversely assume that  $\mathcal{C} \subset Comp(\xi)$ . If  $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow_{\xi'} x$  then  $\mathcal{F} \cap \dot{x} \in \mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathcal{F} \cap \dot{x} \in Comp(\xi)$  so  $\mathcal{F} \cap \dot{x} \rightarrow_{\xi} x$  and therefore  $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow_{\xi} x$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.2.1.** Every screen inducing some pretopological symmetric convergence is a Riesz screen,

$Conv(\xi)$  is the finest,  $Comp(\xi)$  is the coarsest.

The proof is clear since  $Conv(\xi)$  is a Riesz screen contained in every screen inducing  $\xi$ .

**Theorem 3.2.2.** For all limit structure  $\xi$ , the screen  $SComp(\xi)$  is a Cauchy screen.

Furthermore if  $\xi$  is reciprocal (i.e. induced by some Cauchy screen) then:

- (a)  $Conv(\xi)$  and  $SComp(\xi)$  are Cauchy screens such that  $Conv(\xi) \subset SComp(\xi)$ .
- (b) For all Cauchy screen  $\mathcal{C}$ , we have :  
 $\mathcal{C}$  induces  $\xi$  if and only if  $Conv(\xi) \subset \mathcal{C} \subset SComp(\xi)$ .

**Proof.** We check that  $SComp(\xi)$  fulfills condition (SC2) of Cauchy screens.

Let  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  be members of  $SComp(\xi)$  such that  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{G}^\#$  and assume that  $x$  is a cluster point of the filter  $\mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{G}$ . Then there exists a filter and therefore an ultrafilter  $\mathcal{U}$  containing  $\mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{G}$  and converging to  $x$ . Since this ultrafilter contains  $\mathcal{F}$  or  $\mathcal{G}$ ,  $x$  is a cluster point for  $\mathcal{F}$  or  $\mathcal{G}$  and so a limit point for this filter. Therefore the filter  $\mathcal{F} \vee \mathcal{G}$  converges also to  $x$ , finally  $x$  is a cluster point and so a limit point for both  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  and by property (C3),  $\mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{G}$  converges to  $x$ . We conclude that  $\mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{G}$  is in  $SComp(\xi)$ . Thus  $SComp(\xi)$  is a Cauchy screen.

Now assume that  $\xi$  is reciprocal.

(a)  $Conv(\xi) \subset SComp(\xi)$ : let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a filter converging to a point  $x$ , if  $y$  is a cluster point for  $\mathcal{F}$ , then there is a filter  $\mathcal{G}$  containing  $\mathcal{F}$  and converging to  $y$ , so  $\mathcal{G}$  converges to both  $x$  and  $y$ , and since  $\xi$  is reciprocal  $\mathcal{F}$  also converges to  $y$ .

(b) By proposition 3.2.1 a Cauchy screen  $\mathcal{C}$  induces  $\xi$  if and only if  $Conv(\xi) \subset \mathcal{C} \subset Comp(\xi)$ .

Since  $SComp(\xi) \subset Comp(\xi)$ , the condition  $Conv(\xi) \subset \mathcal{C} \subset SComp(\xi)$  is sufficient for  $\mathcal{C}$  to induce  $\xi$ .

Conversely, assume that a Cauchy screen  $\mathcal{C}$  induces  $\xi$ . We have to check that  $\mathcal{C} \subset SComp(\xi)$ . If  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{C}$  and  $x$  is a cluster point for  $\mathcal{F}$  then there is a filter  $\mathcal{G}$  containing  $\mathcal{F}$  and converging to  $x$ . We then have:  $\mathcal{F} \sim \mathcal{G}$  and  $\mathcal{G} \sim \dot{x}$  in  $\mathcal{C}$ , and so  $\mathcal{F} \sim \dot{x}$  in  $\mathcal{C}$  which proves that  $\mathcal{F}$  converges to  $x$ . Finally  $\mathcal{F} \in SComp(\xi)$ . □

If  $\xi$  is the convergence  $\xi$  induced by a pretopological closure  $c$  the preceding result implies the following which was proved by Császár in [12]:

**Corollary 3.2.2.** *If  $c$  is a pretopological closure on  $X$  then the strongly  $c$ -compressed filters constitute a Cauchy screen.*

Finally we have also:

**Corollary 3.2.3.** *For any reciprocal limit structure  $\xi$ ,  $SComp(\xi)$  is the coarsest Cauchy screen contained in  $Comp(\xi)$ .*

**Remark.** Let  $\xi$  be a convergence induced by a Cauchy screen;  $Conv(\xi)$  is the finest Cauchy screen inducing  $\xi$  and  $SComp(\xi)$  is the coarsest.

Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a Cauchy screen inducing a convergence  $\xi'$ .

We have:  $\xi \leq \xi' \Leftrightarrow Conv(\xi) \subset \mathcal{C}$ , but it is false that:  $\xi' \leq \xi \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{C} \subset SComp(\xi)$ .

In the example below, we construct reciprocal (actually separated) pretopological convergences  $\xi$  and  $\xi'$ , which are induced by the Cauchy screens of their strongly compressed filters and such that  $\xi' \leq \xi$  and  $SComp(\xi') \not\subset SComp(\xi)$ .

**Example.** Consider the usual convergence  $\xi'$  on the set of reals  $\mathbb{R}$ , and then take non convergent (distinct) ultrafilters  $\mathcal{U}_0$  and  $\mathcal{U}_1$  containing respectively the non compact subsets  $] - \infty, 0]$  and  $[0, +\infty[$ . In particular, these ultrafilters do not contain any neighborhood filter for  $\xi'$ .

Now take the pretopological convergence  $\xi$  for which  $\mathcal{V}_\xi(x) = \mathcal{V}_{\xi'}(x)$  if  $x$  is neither 0 nor 1, and  $\mathcal{V}_\xi(0) = \mathcal{V}_{\xi'}(0) \cap \mathcal{U}_0$ ,  $\mathcal{V}_\xi(1) = \mathcal{V}_{\xi'}(1) \cap \mathcal{U}_1$ .

Each of these pretopological convergences is a limit structure on  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $\xi'$  is reciprocal and actually separated, i.e.  $x \neq y \implies \mathcal{V}_{\xi'}(x) \not\subset \mathcal{V}_{\xi'}(y)^\#$ .

The convergence  $\xi$  is also separated and thus reciprocal. To prove this, we use the following equivalence for filters  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$ :  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{G}^\#$  if and only if  $\beta(\mathcal{F}) \cap \beta(\mathcal{G}) \neq \emptyset$ . Since any ultrafilter containing the intersection of two filters contains necessarily one of them (property recalled in section 2) we have:  $\beta(\mathcal{V}_\xi(0)) = \beta(\mathcal{V}_{\xi'}(0)) \cup \{\mathcal{U}_0\}$  and  $\beta(\mathcal{V}_\xi(1)) = \beta(\mathcal{V}_{\xi'}(1)) \cup \{\mathcal{U}_1\}$ . Of course if  $x$  is in  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0, 1\}$ ,  $\beta(\mathcal{V}_\xi(x)) = \beta(\mathcal{V}_{\xi'}(x))$ . For any distinct points  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\beta(\mathcal{V}_{\xi'}(x)) \cap \beta(\mathcal{V}_{\xi'}(y)) = \emptyset$  and each one of  $\mathcal{U}_0$  and  $\mathcal{U}_1$  does not contain any neighborhood filter for  $\xi'$ . Finally with  $\mathcal{U}_0 \neq \mathcal{U}_1$ , we check that if  $x, y$  are distinct points, then  $\beta(\mathcal{V}_\xi(x)) \cap \beta(\mathcal{V}_\xi(y)) = \emptyset$ , which proves that  $\xi$  is separated.

Therefore each one of  $\xi'$  and  $\xi$  is induced by the Cauchy screen of its strongly compressed filters.

Let  $\mathcal{F}_0$  be the bi-ultrafilter  $\mathcal{U}_0 \cap \mathcal{U}_1$ , with respect to  $\xi'$ ,  $\mathcal{F}_0$  is not convergent and has no cluster point since the only ultrafilters containing  $\mathcal{F}_0$  are  $\mathcal{U}_0$  and  $\mathcal{U}_1$  and they do not converge for  $\xi'$ . Therefore  $\mathcal{F}_0$  is a strongly  $\xi'$ -compressed filter.

With respect to  $\xi$ , 0 and 1 are cluster points for  $\mathcal{F}_0$  since  $\mathcal{U}_0$  and  $\mathcal{U}_1$  converge to 0 and 1 respectively. Furthermore  $\mathcal{U}_i \notin \beta(\mathcal{V}_\xi(j))$  for  $\{i, j\} = \{0, 1\}$ , therefore  $\mathcal{F}_0$  does not contain  $\mathcal{V}_\xi(j)$  either and does not converge to  $j$  for  $\xi$ . So  $\mathcal{F}_0$  is not strongly  $\xi$ -compressed. Finally  $SComp(\xi')$  is not contained in  $SComp(\xi)$ .

We complete our study with the following result.

**Proposition 3.2.1.** *For all reciprocal pseudotopological convergence  $\xi$ , the Cauchy screens  $Conv(\xi)$  and  $SComp(\xi)$  are full.*

**Proof.** It has already been shown that  $Conv(\xi)$  is full. We check now that  $SComp(\xi)$  is full.

Assume that for some filter  $\mathcal{F}$ ,  $\beta(\mathcal{F})$  is contained in an equivalence class of  $SComp(\xi)$ . If  $x$  is a cluster point for  $\mathcal{F}$  then some member  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $\beta(\mathcal{F})$  converges to  $x$ . Therefore  $\mathcal{U}$  and so every member of  $\beta(\mathcal{F})$  is in the equivalence class of  $\dot{x}$ , that is, every ultrafilter containing  $\mathcal{F}$  converges to  $x$  and

then  $\mathcal{F}$  converges also to  $x$  since  $\xi$  is pseudotopological. We conclude that  $\mathcal{F}$  is in  $SComp(\xi)$ .  $\square$

#### 4. Pretopological closures and proximities induced by Cauchy screens

A proximity  $\delta$  on a set  $X$  induces a pretopological closure  $c$  on  $X$  defined by :

$$x \in c(A) \Leftrightarrow \{x\}\delta A$$

and the neighborhood filter of a point  $x$  is given by:

$$\mathcal{V}_\delta(x) = \delta(\{x\})^\# \quad \text{where} \quad \delta(\{x\}) = \{A \subset X : \{x\}\delta A\}.$$

A screen  $\mathcal{C}$  induces a proximity  $\delta$  and a pretopological closure  $c$  as defined in the introduction.

This closure  $c$  is also the associated closure of the pretopological structure induced by the convergence  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{C}}$  since for all  $x \in X$  the neighborhood filters at  $x$  coincide. Actually the neighborhood filter of  $x$  related to  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{C}}$  is:

$$\mathcal{V}(x) = \cap\{\mathcal{F} : \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{F} \subset \dot{x}\}$$

and we have:

$$\delta(\{x\}) = \cup\{\mathcal{F}^\# : \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{F} \subset \dot{x}\} = \mathcal{V}(x)^\#$$

therefore  $\mathcal{V}(x) = \delta(\{x\})^\#$  and then  $\mathcal{V}(x) = \mathcal{V}_\delta(x)$ .

In [12], Császár asked for a characterization of those pretopological closures and those proximities induced by Cauchy screens. We give an answer to both questions.

**4.1. Proximities and screens.** If a screen  $\mathcal{C}$  induces a proximity  $\delta$  then every member  $\mathcal{F}$  of  $\mathcal{C}$  is such that  $\mathcal{F}^\# \times \mathcal{F}^\# \subset \delta$ , that is,  $\mathcal{F}^\#$  is a  $\delta$ -**clan** in the sense of Thron [20], or equivalently,  $\mathcal{F}$  is a  $\delta$ -**compressed filter** in the sense of [10].

For every proximity  $\delta$  the set  $\mathcal{C}_\delta$  of  $\delta$ -compressed filters is a screen and it is known that  $\delta$  is induced by  $\mathcal{C}_\delta$  (indeed it is the coarsest one): for all subsets  $A$  and  $B$  of  $X$ ,  $A\delta B$  if and only if there exists a  $\delta$ -clan containing  $A$  and  $B$ . Thron [20] gave a short proof for this result using basic properties of grills, filters and ultrafilters. Thus every proximity is induced by a screen.

We call a **Riesz proximity** (or **RI-proximity**, [3]) on  $X$  any proximity  $\delta$  for which there exists a pretopological closure space  $(Y, \varphi)$  containing  $X$  as a dense subset and such that we have:  $A\delta B$  if and only if  $\varphi(A) \cap \varphi(B) \neq \emptyset$ . These proximities have been studied and characterized in [2], [3], [10].

**Theorem 4.1.1.** *The proximities induced by a Riesz screen are precisely the Riesz proximities.*

**Proof.** It is known (see [2], [10], [3]) that a proximity  $\delta$  is a Riesz proximity if and only if one of the equivalent following conditions is true ( $c$  denotes the pretopological closure induced by  $\delta$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(RI)} \quad & \forall A, B \in \mathcal{P}(X), c(A) \cap c(B) \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow A\delta B \\ \text{(RI')} \quad & \forall x \in X, \delta(\{x\}) \times \delta(\{x\}) \subset \delta, \end{aligned}$$

which means that for all  $x \in X$ ,  $\mathcal{V}_\delta(x)$  is  $\delta$ -compressed. Then if  $\delta$  is a Riesz proximity the screen  $\mathcal{C}_\delta$  of  $\delta$ -compressed filters is a Riesz screen since it induces  $\delta$  and  $\mathcal{V}_\delta(x)$  is also the neighborhood filter at  $x$  related to  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{C}_\delta}$ . Conversely let  $\delta$  be a proximity induced by a Riesz screen  $\mathcal{C}$ . Then for all  $x \in X$ , the neighborhood filter  $\mathcal{V}(x)$  is in  $\mathcal{C}$  and so is compressed for the proximity  $\delta$ . Thus  $\delta$  is a Riesz proximity since  $\mathcal{V}(x) = \mathcal{V}_\delta(x)$ .  $\square$

We obtain a characterization for those proximities induced by some Cauchy screen using the following notion of [14].

**Definition 4.1.1.** *A nasse on  $X$  is a reflexive and closed graph relation on  $\beta X$ .*

The following facts were proved in [14]:

1. there is a bijection between proximities (or dually the **topogeneous orders** of Császár [8]) on  $X$  and the so-called **nasses** of Haddad. For any proximity  $\delta$  with associated nasse  $\Delta$ , we have

$$(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V}) \in \Delta \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{U} \times \mathcal{V} \subset \delta \quad \text{and} \quad A\delta B \Leftrightarrow (\beta A \times \beta B) \cap \Delta \neq \emptyset.$$

We recover here Thron's result which says that the screen of  $\delta$ -compressed filters induces  $\delta$ . Actually if  $A\delta B$  then there is a pair  $(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V}) \in (\beta A \times \beta B) \cap \Delta$ . It follows that  $A$  and  $B$  are members of  $\mathcal{U} \cup \mathcal{V}$  and from  $(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V}) \in \Delta$  we get that  $\mathcal{U} \cup \mathcal{V}$  is a  $\delta$ -clan (i.e.  $\mathcal{U} \cap \mathcal{V}$  is  $\delta$ -compressed).

2. Recall that an **Efrěmoviř-proximity** (or **EF-proximity** for short) is a proximity  $\delta$  on a set  $X$  with the following separation property: for all  $A, B$  in  $\mathcal{P}(X)$ ,

$$A(\text{non-}\delta)B \implies \exists C \in \mathcal{P}(X) : A(\text{non-}\delta)C \text{ and } (X \setminus C)(\text{non-}\delta)B.$$

For any proximity the converse implication is true, as one can easily see.

A proximity  $\delta$  is an EF-proximity if and only if its nasse  $\Delta$  is an equivalence relation.

We will prove the following theorem.

**Theorem 4.1.2.** *Let  $\delta$  be a proximity on  $X$ .*

1.  $\delta$  is induced by a screen  $\mathcal{C}$  if and only if its associated nasse is the closure in  $(\beta X)^2$  of the relation  $\Theta_{\mathcal{C}} = \bigcup_{\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{C}} \beta(\mathcal{F}) \times \beta(\mathcal{F})$  on  $\beta X$  induced by  $\mathcal{C}$ .

2.  $\delta$  is induced by a Cauchy screen if and only if its associated nasse  $\Delta$  is the closure in  $(\beta X)^2$  of a transitive and symmetric relation on  $\beta X$  if and only if  $\Delta$  is the closure in  $(\beta X)^2$  of an equivalence relation on  $\beta X$ .

**Notations.** Any family  $\mathcal{B}$  of filters on  $X$  induces a relation  $\Theta_{\mathcal{B}}$  on  $\beta X$  defined by:

$$\Theta_{\mathcal{B}} = \bigcup_{\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{B}} \beta(\mathcal{F}) \times \beta(\mathcal{F}).$$

If  $\mathcal{C}$  is the set of all filters containing a member of  $\mathcal{B}$ , we then have  $\Theta_{\mathcal{B}} = \Theta_{\mathcal{C}}$  and  $(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V}) \in \Theta_{\mathcal{C}}$  if and only if  $\mathcal{U} \cap \mathcal{V} \in \mathcal{C}$ .

This defines a relation on  $\beta X$  which is clearly symmetric and reflexive with domain

$$\mathbb{D} = \mathcal{C} \cap \beta X = \bigcup_{\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{C}} \beta(\mathcal{F})$$

Since  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathbb{D}$  contain exactly the same ultrafilters, we get:

**$\mathcal{C}$  is a screen if and only if  $\mathbb{D}$  contains all of the centered ultrafilters, that is, if and only if  $\mathbb{D}$  is dense in  $\beta X$ .**

Note that **if  $\mathcal{C}$  is a Cauchy screen then** the relation  $\Theta_{\mathcal{C}}$  is the restriction on  $\mathbb{D} = \mathcal{C} \cap \beta X$  of the equivalence relation  $\sim$  associated to  $\mathcal{C}$  (recalled in the beginning of section 3), and therefore  **$\Theta_{\mathcal{C}}$  is an equivalence relation on  $\mathbb{D}$ .**

Now to an arbitrary relation  $\Theta$  on  $\beta X$  let us associate the family of filters  $\mathcal{C}_{\Theta}$  on  $X$  defined as follows:

$$\mathcal{C}_{\Theta} = \{\mathcal{F} \in \phi(X) : \beta(\mathcal{F}) \times \beta(\mathcal{F}) \subset \Theta\}$$

and let  $\mathcal{C}_{\Theta}^b$  be the screen of the bi-ultrafilters of  $\mathcal{C}_{\Theta}$ .

**Theorem 4.1.3.** *A relation  $\Theta$  is induced by some screen  $\mathcal{C}$  (in the sense that  $\Theta = \Theta_{\mathcal{C}}$ ) if and only if  $\Theta$  is a symmetric and reflexive relation on a dense subset of  $\beta X$ .*

*Furthermore, if  $\Theta$  is such a relation with dense domain  $\mathbb{D}$  then  $\Theta$  is induced by any screen between  $\mathcal{C}_{\Theta}^b$  and  $\mathcal{C}_{\Theta}$ ,  $\mathcal{C}_{\Theta}$  is the coarsest one inducing  $\Theta$ ,  $\mathcal{C}_{\Theta}^b$  is the finest one.*

**Proof.** For any symmetric and reflexive relation  $\Theta$  on a dense subset  $\mathbb{D}$  of  $\beta X$ ,  $\mathbb{D}$  contains all centered ultrafilters and it is straightforward that  $\mathcal{C}_{\Theta}$  and  $\mathcal{C}_{\Theta}^b$  are screens on  $X$  inducing  $\Theta$ . Furthermore any screen inducing  $\Theta$  is clearly contained in  $\mathcal{C}_{\Theta}$ , and it contains  $\mathcal{C}_{\Theta}^b$  since if  $\mathcal{U}$  and  $\mathcal{V}$  are ultrafilters such that  $\mathcal{U} \cap \mathcal{V}$  is in  $\mathcal{C}_{\Theta}^b$  then  $(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V})$  is in  $\Theta$  and there exists  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{C}$  such that  $\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V}$  are both in  $\beta(\mathcal{F})$ , so  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{U} \cap \mathcal{V}$  and  $\mathcal{U} \cap \mathcal{V}$  is also in  $\mathcal{C}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.1.4.** *For all relations  $\Theta$  on  $\beta X$  the following are equivalent:*

1.  $\Theta$  is induced by a Cauchy screen.
2.  $\Theta$  is an equivalence relation on its domain and its domain is a dense subset of  $\beta X$ .

3.  $\mathcal{C}_\Theta$  is a Cauchy screen.

4. The screen  $\mathcal{C}_\Theta^e$  of elementary filters of  $\mathcal{C}_\Theta$  is a Cauchy screen.

In case one of the above conditions holds then, among the Cauchy screens inducing  $\Theta$ ,  $\mathcal{C}_\Theta$  is the coarsest and  $\mathcal{C}_\Theta^e$  is the finest.

**Proof.** 1.  $\Rightarrow$  2. has already been observed.

Now we prove: 2.  $\Rightarrow$  3. Assume that  $\Theta$  is an equivalence relation on a dense domain  $\mathbb{D}$  of  $\beta X$ .

The screen  $\mathcal{C}_\Theta$  is the coarsest screen inducing  $\Theta$ , we check that it is a Cauchy screen.

Let  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{C}_\Theta$  such that  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{G}^\#$ . The sets  $\beta(\mathcal{F})^2$  and  $\beta(\mathcal{G})^2$  are subsets of  $\Theta$  and  $\beta(\mathcal{F}) \cap \beta(\mathcal{G}) \neq \emptyset$ . Since  $\Theta$  is transitive, it follows that  $\beta(\mathcal{F}) \times \beta(\mathcal{G}) \subset \Theta$  and  $\beta(\mathcal{G}) \times \beta(\mathcal{F}) \subset \Theta$ , and finally  $\beta(\mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{G})^2 = (\beta(\mathcal{F}) \cup \beta(\mathcal{G}))^2 \subset \Theta$ , and  $\mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{C}_\Theta$ .

Next we prove: 3.  $\Rightarrow$  4. Assume that  $\mathcal{C}_\Theta$  is a Cauchy screen. Let  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{C}_\Theta^e$  such that  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{G}^\#$ , then  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}$  are elementary and  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{C}_\Theta$ . Therefore,  $\mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{G}$  is in  $\mathcal{C}_\Theta$  and it is again elementary, i.e.  $\mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{C}_\Theta^e$ . This proves that the screen  $\mathcal{C}_\Theta^e$  is Cauchy.

Finally 4.  $\Rightarrow$  1. is clear since the screen  $\mathcal{C}_\Theta^e$  is between  $\mathcal{C}_\Theta$  and  $\mathcal{C}_\Theta^b$ , which proves that  $\mathcal{C}_\Theta^e$  induces  $\Theta$ . by the preceding theorem.

Assume now that one of the conditions 1. to 4. is true. We prove that  $\mathcal{C}_\Theta^e$  is the finest Cauchy screen inducing  $\Theta$ .

Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a Cauchy screen inducing also  $\Theta$ , note first that  $\mathbb{D} = \mathcal{C} \cap \beta X = \mathcal{C}_\Theta^e \cap \beta X$ .

Let  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{C}_\Theta^e$ ,  $\mathcal{F}$  is the intersection of a finite number of ultrafilters, say  $\mathcal{U}_1, \dots, \mathcal{U}_n$ . Each  $(\mathcal{U}_i, \mathcal{U}_j)$  is in  $\Theta$  and therefore  $\mathcal{U}_i \cap \mathcal{U}_j$  is a member of  $\mathcal{C}$ . In particular each  $\mathcal{U}_i$  and  $\mathcal{U}_i \cap \mathcal{U}_{i+1}$  are members of  $\mathcal{C}$ . Finally, since  $\mathcal{C}$  is a Cauchy screen, by finite induction we prove that for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $\mathcal{U}_1 \cap \dots \cap \mathcal{U}_i$  is again member of  $\mathcal{C}$ , so  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{C}$ .  $\square$

Now we can prove Theorem 4.1.2.

**Proof of Theorem 4.1.2.**

1. Let  $\delta$  be a proximity and  $\mathcal{C}$  be a screen on  $X$ . We have:

$\delta$  is induced by  $\mathcal{C} \Leftrightarrow [ A\delta B \Leftrightarrow \exists \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{C} : A, B \in \mathcal{F}^\# ]$

$\Leftrightarrow [ A\delta B \Leftrightarrow \exists \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{C} : (\beta A \times \beta B) \cap (\beta(\mathcal{F}))^2 \neq \emptyset ] \Leftrightarrow [ A\delta B \Leftrightarrow (\beta A \times \beta B) \cap \Theta_{\mathcal{C}} \neq \emptyset ]$

Since  $\{\beta A \times \beta B : A, B \in \mathcal{P}(X)\}$  is a base for the open sets of the product topology on  $(\beta X)^2$ , we have finally:

$\delta$  is induced by  $\mathcal{C} \Leftrightarrow [ A\delta B \Leftrightarrow (\beta A \times \beta B) \cap \overline{\Theta_{\mathcal{C}}} \neq \emptyset ]$

which is to say that  $\overline{\Theta_{\mathcal{C}}}$  is the nasse associated to  $\delta$ .

2. Note that a nasse  $\Delta$  is always reflexive and therefore if  $\Theta$  is a symmetric and transitive relation on  $\beta X$  which is dense in  $\Delta$  then

$$\Theta' = \Theta \cup \{(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{U}) : \mathcal{U} \in \beta X\}$$

is an equivalence relation on  $\beta X$  which is again dense in  $\Delta$ .

Now the second part of the theorem follows from the first part and theorem 4.1.4.  $\square$

Actually from theorem 4.1.2 and theorem 4.1.4 we get the following result. Recall that a Cauchy screen  $\mathcal{C}$  is **totally bounded** ([7]) if every ultrafilter is a Cauchy filter.

**Theorem 4.1.5.** *A proximity induced by a Cauchy screen is also induced by a totally bounded and full Cauchy screen.*

**Proof.** According to theorem 4.1.2 let  $\Theta$  be an equivalence relation on  $\beta X$  which is dense in the nasse  $\Delta$  of a proximity  $\delta$  induced by a Cauchy screen. The Cauchy screen  $\mathcal{C}_\Theta = \{\mathcal{F} : \beta(\mathcal{F}) \times \beta(\mathcal{F}) \subset \Theta\}$  induces  $\delta$  and is clearly totally bounded since  $\Theta$  is reflexive on  $\beta X$ . Furthermore if  $\mathcal{F}$  is a filter such that  $\beta(\mathcal{F})$  is contained in an equivalence class of  $\mathcal{C}_\Theta$  for  $\sim$  then  $\beta(\mathcal{F})$  is contained in an equivalence class for  $\Theta$  since  $\Theta$  is the restriction of  $\sim$  to  $\beta X$ . Thus  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{C}_\Theta$ , which proves finally that  $\mathcal{C}_\Theta$  is a full and totally bounded Cauchy screen inducing  $\Theta$  and therefore the proximity  $\delta$ .  $\square$

We give now some corollaries. The first one recovers in particular Thron's result: any proximity is induced by the screen of its compressed filters. We recall the following result.

**Proposition 4.1.1.** [4] *For any proximity  $\delta$  with associated nasse  $\Delta$ , a filter  $\mathcal{F}$  is  $\delta$ -compressed if and only if  $\beta(\mathcal{F}) \times \beta(\mathcal{F}) \subset \Delta$ .*

**Corollary 4.1.1.** *Any proximity  $\delta$  is induced by the screen  $\mathcal{C}_\delta$  of  $\delta$ -compressed filters and also by the screens  $\mathcal{C}_\delta^b$  and  $\mathcal{C}_\delta^e$  consisting of bi-ultrafilters and elementary filters respectively of  $\mathcal{C}_\delta$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $\Delta$  be the nasse associated to a proximity  $\delta$ . The nasse  $\Delta$  is a symmetric and reflexive relation on  $\beta X$ , therefore using theorem 4.1.3,  $\Delta = \Theta_{\mathcal{C}_\Delta} = \Theta_{\mathcal{C}_\Delta^b} = \Theta_{\mathcal{C}_\Delta^e}$  where  $\mathcal{C}_\Delta = \{\mathcal{F} : \beta(\mathcal{F}) \times \beta(\mathcal{F}) \subset \Delta\}$  and  $\mathcal{C}_\Delta^b$  and  $\mathcal{C}_\Delta^e$  are the screens consisting of bi-ultrafilters and elementary filters respectively of  $\mathcal{C}_\delta$ .

It follows from the preceding proposition that  $\mathcal{C}_\Delta$  is also the screen  $\mathcal{C}_\delta$  of all  $\delta$ -compressed filters. Finally theorem 4.1.2 implies that the proximity  $\delta$  is induced by the screens  $\mathcal{C}_\delta$ ,  $\mathcal{C}_\delta^b$  and  $\mathcal{C}_\delta^e$ .  $\square$

Theorem 4.1.4 and Haddad's characterization of EF-proximities imply also the following result which was proved by Császár in [12].

**Corollary 4.1.2.** *For any proximity  $\delta$ , the screen  $\mathcal{C}_\delta$  is Cauchy if and only if  $\mathcal{C}_\delta^e$  is also Cauchy if and only if  $\delta$  is an EF-proximity,*

**Proof.** Let  $\Delta$  be the nasse associated to  $\delta$ . The screen  $\mathcal{C}_\Delta$  is again  $\mathcal{C}_\delta$ . Therefore since a proximity  $\delta$  is an EF-proximity if and only if its nasse  $\Delta$  is an equivalence relation on  $\beta X$  ([14]), we get from theorem 4.1.4 that the

screen  $\mathcal{C}_\delta$  is Cauchy if and only if  $\mathcal{C}_\delta^e$  is also Cauchy if and only if  $\Delta$  is an equivalence relation and thus if and only if  $\delta$  is an EF-proximity.  $\square$

**Remarks.**

1. For any proximity  $\delta$  the screen  $\mathcal{C}_\delta$  is the coarsest screen inducing  $\delta$ , generally a finest one fails to exist ([12], example 3.18, p.212).

2. Of course if  $\delta$  is an EF-proximity then  $\mathcal{C}_\delta$  is the coarsest Cauchy screen inducing  $\delta$ . Császár [12] gave examples of proximities and closures induced by Cauchy screens for which neither a coarsest nor a finest compatible Cauchy screen exists.

Actually in the next subsection we show that for any RE-proximity  $\delta$  which is not an EF-proximity, there does not exist a coarsest Cauchy screen inducing  $\delta$ .

3. It follows from corollaries 4.1.1 and 4.1.2 that a proximity induced by a Cauchy screen and which is not an EF-proximity is induced by screens which are not Cauchy, indeed  $\mathcal{C}_\delta$  is one of them.

We conclude this section with the following result. This result can be found also in [12] where it is proved directly that a proximity induced by a Cauchy screen satisfies property (RI).

**Proposition 4.1.2.** *A proximity induced by a Cauchy screen is a Riesz proximity.*

**Proof.** It was proved in [3] that a proximity  $\delta$  is a Riesz proximity if and only if its nasse is the closure of  $\Theta \circ \Theta^-$  for some relation  $\Theta$  on  $\beta X$ . From theorem 4.1.2 a proximity induced by a Cauchy screen is a Riesz proximity since its nasse is the closure of an equivalence relation  $\Theta$  and we have  $\Theta = \Theta \circ \Theta^-$ .  $\square$

**4.2. About RE-proximities.** An **RE-proximity** on  $X$  is a proximity  $\delta$  for which there exists a regular topological closure space  $(Y, \varphi)$ ,  $Y$  containing a copy of  $X$  and such that we have:  $A\delta B$  if and only if  $\varphi(A) \cap \varphi(B) \neq \emptyset$ . For basic properties and results concerning RE-proximities, the reader may consult [9], [4].

It is known that to any proximity  $\delta$  on  $X$  one can associate a *topogeneous order* (in the sense of Császár)  $\gamma$  on  $X$  defined by:

$$\forall A, B \in \mathcal{P}(X) \quad A\gamma B \quad \text{if and only if} \quad A(\text{non-}\delta)(X \setminus B).$$

For any filter  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $X$  the set  $\gamma(\mathcal{F})$  consisting of subsets  $B$  of  $X$  such that  $A\gamma B$  for some  $A \in \mathcal{F}$  is a filter on  $X$  and the inclusion  $\gamma(\mathcal{F}) \subset \mathcal{F}$  is always true. If  $x \in X$ , the filter  $\gamma(\dot{x})$  is simply denoted by  $\gamma(x)$ .

**Definition 4.2.1.** *Given a proximity  $\delta$  on  $X$ , a filter  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $X$  for which  $\mathcal{F} = \gamma(\mathcal{F})$  is a  **$\delta$ -round filter** (or a  $\gamma$ -round filter).*

Round filters were introduced in [9] using a somewhat different notation.

As in [4], let  $\delta$  be a proximity with associated nasse  $\Delta$  and let

$$\mathbb{D}(\Delta) = \{\mathcal{U} \in \beta X : \Delta(\mathcal{U})^2 \subset \Delta \text{ and } \Delta(\Delta(\mathcal{U})) \subset \Delta(\mathcal{U})\}.$$

It is called the **equivalence domain of  $\Delta$** .

The restriction  $\Delta'$  of  $\Delta$  to the set  $\mathbb{D}(\Delta)$  is the **equivalence kernel of  $\Delta$** . It is an equivalence relation on  $\mathbb{D}(\Delta)$ .

**Theorem 4.2.1.** *The equivalence relation  $\Delta'$  on  $\mathbb{D}(\Delta)$  is induced by the set  $\mathcal{B}$  of  $\delta$ -round and compressed filters in the sense that  $\Delta' = \Theta_{\mathcal{B}} = \bigcup_{\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{B}} \beta(\mathcal{F}) \times \beta(\mathcal{F})$ .*

Furthermore the equivalence classes of  $\Delta'$  are exactly the sets  $\beta(\mathcal{F})$  for  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{B}$ .

Consequently, the set  $\mathcal{C}_{rd}$  of all filters containing a member of  $\mathcal{B}$  satisfies the condition (SC2) of Cauchy screens and we have also  $\Delta' = \Theta_{\mathcal{C}_{rd}}$ .

**Proof.** From [4] we have the following:

1. the equivalence classes of  $\Delta'$  are exactly the sets  $\Delta(\mathcal{U})$  for  $\mathcal{U} \in \mathbb{D}(\Delta)$ , which are also the sets  $\beta(\gamma(\mathcal{U}))$ .
2.  $\mathcal{U} \in \mathbb{D}(\Delta)$  if and only if  $\gamma(\mathcal{U}) \in \mathcal{B}$ .
3.  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{B}$  if and only if  $\mathcal{F} = \gamma(\mathcal{U})$ , or equivalently  $\beta(\mathcal{F}) = \Delta(\mathcal{U})$ , for some  $\mathcal{U} \in \mathbb{D}(\Delta)$ .

It follows that  $\mathcal{B} = \{\gamma(\mathcal{U}) : \mathcal{U} \in \mathbb{D}(\Delta)\}$  and that the equivalence classes of  $\Delta'$  are the sets  $\beta(\mathcal{F})$  for  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{B}$ .

Since equivalence classes are disjoint or equal, for any members  $\mathcal{F}_1$  and  $\mathcal{F}_2$  of  $\mathcal{B}$  such that  $\mathcal{F}_1 \subset \mathcal{F}_2^\#$ , we have  $\mathcal{F}_1 = \mathcal{F}_2$ .

From this it follows that the set  $\mathcal{C}_{rd}$  satisfies condition (SC2): for any members  $\mathcal{F}_1$  and  $\mathcal{F}_2$  of  $\mathcal{C}_{rd}$  such that  $\mathcal{F}_1 \subset \mathcal{F}_2^\#$  we have  $\mathcal{F}_1 \cap \mathcal{F}_2 \in \mathcal{C}_{rd}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.2.2.** *Let  $\delta$  be any proximity on  $X$  and  $\mathcal{C}_{rd}$  the set of filters containing a  $\delta$ -round and compressed filter. The set  $\mathcal{C}_{rd}$  is a Cauchy screen if and only if for every  $x$  in  $X$ ,  $\gamma(x)$  is a  $\delta$ -round and compressed filter if and only if  $\mathbb{D}(\Delta)$  is dense in  $\beta X$ . And then  $\mathcal{C}_{rd}$  is a full Cauchy screen.*

**Proof.** From  $\Delta' = \Theta_{\mathcal{C}_{rd}}$ , we have that  $\mathcal{C}_{rd}$  is a screen (i.e. it contains every centered ultrafilter) if and only if the domain  $\mathbb{D}(\Delta)$  of  $\Delta'$  contains every centered ultrafilter, that is, if and only if  $\mathbb{D}(\Delta)$  is dense in  $\beta X$ .

As it was recalled in the proof of the preceding proposition, an ultrafilter  $\mathcal{U}$  on  $X$  is in  $\mathbb{D}(\Delta)$  if and only if  $\gamma(\mathcal{U})$  is in  $\mathcal{B}$  [4]. Finally  $\mathcal{C}_{rd}$  is a screen if and only if for every  $x$  in  $X$ ,  $\gamma(x)$  is a  $\delta$ -round and compressed filter. And then it is a Cauchy screen. Let us prove that it is also full.

Assume that for some filter  $\mathcal{F}$ ,  $\beta(\mathcal{F})$  is contained in an equivalence class of  $\mathcal{C}_{rd}$ . The relation  $\Theta_{\mathcal{C}_{rd}} = \Delta'$  is the restriction on  $\mathbb{D}(\Delta)$  of the relation  $\sim$  on  $\mathcal{C}_{rd} \cap \beta X$ . Therefore  $\beta(\mathcal{F})$  is contained in an equivalence class of  $\Delta'$ , that is a set  $\beta(\mathcal{G})$  for some  $\delta$ -round and compressed filter  $\mathcal{G}$ . This inclusion gives  $\mathcal{G} \subset \mathcal{F}$  and finally  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{C}_{rd}$ .  $\square$

Since every centered ultrafilter is isolated in  $\beta X$ , the closure  $\overline{\Delta'}$  of  $\Delta'$  in  $\beta X$  is a nasse (that is, reflexive) on  $\beta X$  if and only if  $\mathbb{D}(\Delta)$  is dense in  $\beta X$ . According to [4], under this condition, the proximity  $\mathcal{R}(\delta)$  associated to  $\overline{\Delta'}$  is an RE-proximity. It follows from the above discussion and theorem 4.1.2 that this proximity is induced by the Cauchy screen  $\mathcal{C}_{rd}$ .

We have the following characterization from [4]:  $\delta$  is an RE-proximity if and only if its nasse  $\Delta$  is the closure in  $(\beta X)^2$  of its equivalence kernel  $\Delta'$  if and only if  $\mathcal{R}(\delta) = \delta$ . In particular if  $\delta$  is an RE-proximity  $\mathbb{D}(\Delta)$  is dense in  $\beta X$  and  $\delta$  is induced by the Cauchy screen  $\mathcal{C}_{rd}$ . Finally  $\mathcal{C}_{rd}$  is a screen inducing the proximity  $\delta$  if and only if  $\delta$  is an RE-proximity.

So we have the following proposition:

**Theorem 4.2.3.** *An arbitrary RE-proximity  $\delta$  is always induced by a full Cauchy screen, namely the screen  $\mathcal{C}_{rd}$  generated by the set of  $\delta$ -round and compressed filters. Consequently the same is true of arbitrary RC or EF-proximities.*

A preregular system of filters of Császár [9] generates a Cauchy screen inducing an RE-proximity. We give another equivalent definition.

Consider a family  $\mathcal{B}$  of filters such that:

$$(PSF1) \quad \forall x \in X, \quad \exists \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{B}, \quad \mathcal{F} \subset \dot{x}.$$

We associate to  $\mathcal{B}$  a proximity  $\delta_{\mathcal{B}}$  or  $\delta$  for short, on  $X$  defined by:

$$A\delta_{\mathcal{B}}B \text{ if and only if there exists } \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{B} \text{ such that } A, B \in \mathcal{F}^{\#}.$$

Notice that if  $\mathcal{C}$  is the screen generated by  $\mathcal{B}$ , that is the set of all filters containing some member of  $\mathcal{B}$ , then  $\delta_{\mathcal{C}} = \delta_{\mathcal{B}}$  and  $\mathcal{C}$  satisfies (PSF1) if and only if  $\mathcal{B}$  does, if and only if  $\mathcal{C}$  contains all centered ultrafilters.

The *topogeneous order*  $\gamma$  associated to  $\delta$  is defined by:

$$[A\gamma B] \text{ if and only if } [\forall \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{B}, A \in \mathcal{F}^{\#} \Rightarrow B \in \mathcal{F}].$$

The family  $\mathcal{B}$  is a **preregular system of filters** in the sense of [9] if and only if :

$$(PSF2) \quad \text{every } \mathcal{F} \text{ in } \mathcal{B} \text{ is } \delta\text{-round,}$$

that is, for any  $A$  in some  $\mathcal{F}$  in  $\mathcal{B}$ , there exists a  $B \in \mathcal{F}$  such that  $B\gamma A$ .

It was proved in [9] that a proximity  $\delta$  is an RE-proximity if and only if  $\delta$  is  $\delta_{\mathcal{B}}$  for some preregular system of filters  $\mathcal{B}$ .

Now it follows easily from these definitions that if  $\mathcal{B}$  is a preregular system of filters on  $X$ , then  $\mathcal{B}$  is a subset of the set of  $\delta$ -round and compressed filters and then again, as shown in the proof of theorem 4.2.1: for all  $\mathcal{F}_1, \mathcal{F}_2 \in \mathcal{B}$  such that  $\mathcal{F}_1 \subset \mathcal{F}_2^{\#}$  we have  $\mathcal{F}_1 = \mathcal{F}_2$ . Therefore the screen  $\mathcal{C}$  generated by  $\mathcal{B}$  is a Cauchy screen on  $X$ .

Finally we have the following result:

**Proposition 4.2.1.** *If  $\delta$  is an RE-proximity which is not an EF-proximity then a coarsest Cauchy screen inducing  $\delta$  does not exist.*

**Proof.** Let  $\Delta$  be the nasse associated to  $\delta$  and  $\Delta'$  be its equivalence kernel which is dense in  $\Delta$ .  $\Delta$  is not an equivalence relation on  $\beta X$  and  $\mathbb{D}(\Delta) \neq \beta X$ . It is easy to check that there exist three different ultrafilters  $\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V}, \mathcal{W}$  in  $\beta X \setminus \mathbb{D}(\Delta)$  such that  $\mathcal{U}\Delta\mathcal{V}\Delta\mathcal{W}$  and  $\mathcal{U}(\text{non-}\Delta)\mathcal{W}$ . Therefore one can see that the relations  $\Delta_1 = \Delta' \cup \beta(\mathcal{U} \cap \mathcal{V})^2 \cup \{(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{X}), \mathcal{X} \in \beta X\}$  (recall that  $\beta(\mathcal{U} \cap \mathcal{V}) = \{\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V}\}$ ) and  $\Delta_2 = \Delta' \cup \beta(\mathcal{W} \cap \mathcal{V})^2 \cup \{(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{X}), \mathcal{X} \in \beta X\}$  are equivalence relations on  $\beta X$  which are dense again in  $\Delta'$ .

Let  $\mathcal{C}_{rd}$  be the screen generated by the  $\delta$ -round and compressed filters and consider the following screens  $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{C}_{rd} \cup \beta X$ ,  $\mathcal{C}_1 = \mathcal{C} \cup \{\mathcal{U} \cap \mathcal{V}\}$  and  $\mathcal{C}_2 = \mathcal{C} \cup \{\mathcal{W} \cap \mathcal{V}\}$ . Since  $\mathcal{C}_{rd}$  is Cauchy and full it is easy to see that  $\mathcal{C}$  is actually a totally bounded and full Cauchy screen as well as  $\mathcal{C}_1$  and  $\mathcal{C}_2$  (because  $\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V}, \mathcal{W}$  are not in  $\mathcal{C}_{rd}$ ). These screens induce  $\delta$  again since  $\Theta_{\mathcal{C}_1} = \Delta_1$  and  $\Theta_{\mathcal{C}_2} = \Delta_2$  which are dense in the nasse  $\Delta$ .

Finally there does not exist a Cauchy screen inducing  $\delta$  and containing both  $\mathcal{C}_1$  and  $\mathcal{C}_2$  because any Cauchy screen containing them should contain also  $\mathcal{U} \cap \mathcal{W}$  also since the filters  $\mathcal{U} \cap \mathcal{V}$  and  $\mathcal{V} \cap \mathcal{W}$  mesh, and then  $\mathcal{U} \cap \mathcal{W}$  would be  $\delta$ -compressed and  $(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{W})$  would be in  $\Delta$  which is not the case.  $\square$

From the preceding proof one can extract the following observation:

**Corollary 4.2.1.** *Among the full and/or totally bounded Cauchy screens inducing a given RE-proximity which is not EF, a coarsest one does not exist.*

**4.3. Pretopological closures induced by a screen.** The pretopological closure  $c$  on  $X$  induced by a screen  $\mathcal{C}$  is defined by:

(\*)  $x \in c(A)$  if and only if there exists  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{C}$  such that  $(\{x\}, A) \in \mathcal{F}^\# \times \mathcal{F}^\#$ .

It is the closure associated to the proximity  $\delta$  induced by  $\mathcal{C}$ :  $x \in c(A)$  if and only if  $\{x\}\delta A$ .

As it was observed at the beginning of this section, the pretopological closure induced by  $\mathcal{C}$  is also the closure associated to the pretopological modification of the convergence  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{C}}$  induced by  $\mathcal{C}$ .

We will use the two points of view to study the closures induced by Cauchy screens.

**Theorem 4.3.1.** *For a pretopological closure  $c$  the following are equivalent:*

- (i)  $c$  is induced by a screen
- (ii)  $c$  is induced by a proximity
- (iii)  $c$  is symmetric, i.e.  $\forall x, y \in X, y \in c(\{x\}) \Leftrightarrow x \in c(\{y\})$

**Proof.** Since every proximity is induced by a screen, we get easily that (i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (ii).

Furthermore it is clear that a closure  $c$  induced by a proximity (or a screen) is symmetric.

Conversely assume that  $c$  is symmetric, then take the proximity  $\pi$  defined by:

$$A\pi B \quad \text{if} \quad A \cap c(B) \neq \emptyset \text{ or } c(A) \cap B \neq \emptyset.$$

By the symmetry axiom on  $c$ , if  $c(\{x\}) \cap B \neq \emptyset$  then  $x \in c(B)$ . Therefore if  $\{x\}\pi B$  then  $x \in c(B)$  and so  $c$  is induced by the proximity  $\pi$ .  $\square$

**Remark.** If  $\delta$  is a proximity inducing  $c$ , then  $A\delta B$  provided  $A \cap c(B) \neq \emptyset$  and it is easy to see that  $\pi$  is the smallest proximity inducing  $c$  when  $c$  is symmetric.

**Theorem 4.3.2.** *For a pretopological closure  $c$  the following are equivalent:*

- (i)  $c$  is induced by a Riesz screen
- (ii)  $c$  is induced by a Riesz proximity
- (iii)  $c$  satisfies condition (S1) (or equivalently conditions (S1'), (S1'') of corollary 3.1.2):

$$(S1) \quad \forall x \in X, \forall A \in \mathcal{P}(X), \quad c(\{x\}) \cap c(A) \neq \emptyset \Leftrightarrow x \in c(A)$$

**Proof.** Since a proximity is induced by a Riesz screen if and only if it is a Riesz proximity, it is clear that (i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (ii).

By condition (RI) for a Riesz proximity (in the preceding subsection) the condition (S1) is clearly necessary for  $c$  to be induced by a Riesz proximity.

Conversely assume that (S1) is true, then take the proximity  $\pi$  defined by:  $A\pi B$  if and only if  $c(A) \cap c(B) \neq \emptyset$ . This proximity is clearly a Riesz proximity and by condition (S1),  $c$  is induced by  $\pi$ .  $\square$

**Remark.** If  $\delta$  is a Riesz proximity inducing  $c$ , we have that  $c(A) \cap c(B) \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow A\delta B$  and finally when (S1) is true,  $\pi$  is the smallest Riesz proximity inducing  $c$ .

To characterize closures induced by Cauchy screens we use the convergence point of view. We get from proposition 3.1.2 that:

**Proposition 4.3.1.** *A pretopological closure is induced by a Cauchy screen  $\mathcal{C}$  if and only if it is the closure associated to the pretopological modification of a reciprocal limit structure (namely the convergence  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{C}}$ ).*

**Theorem 4.3.3.** *For a pretopological closure  $c$  with associated neighborhood filters  $(\mathcal{V}_x)_{x \in X}$ , the following are equivalent :*

- (i)  $c$  is induced by a Cauchy screen,
- (ii)  $c$  is (the closure associated to) the pretopological modification of a reciprocal pseudotopology,
- (iii) there exists a family  $(\mathbb{F}_x)_{x \in X}$  of subsets of  $\beta X$  satisfying the following condition:

$$(S) \quad \forall x, y \in X, \quad \mathcal{V}_x = \bigcap \{ \mathcal{U} : \mathcal{U} \in \mathbb{F}_x \} \quad \text{and} \quad [\mathbb{F}_x \cap \mathbb{F}_y \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow \mathbb{F}_x = \mathbb{F}_y].$$

We prove first the following propositions.

**Proposition 4.3.2.** *Let  $\xi$  be any pseudotopological convergence on  $X$  and for any  $x \in X$ , write  $\mathbb{F}_x = \{\mathcal{U} \in \beta X : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow x\}$ . The convergence  $\xi$  is reciprocal if and only if :*

$$\forall x, y \in X, \quad \mathbb{F}_x \cap \mathbb{F}_y \neq \emptyset \implies \mathbb{F}_x = \mathbb{F}_y.$$

*In particular a pretopological convergence  $\xi$  with associated neighborhood filters  $(\mathcal{V}(x))_{x \in X}$ , is reciprocal if and only if the separation condition (S2) of Császár is satisfied (see subsection 3.1).*

**Proof.** The first part is straightforward since the convergence is given by:  $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow x$  if and only if  $\beta(\mathcal{F}) \subset \mathbb{F}_x$ .

In the pretopological case, one has to note that  $\mathbb{F}_x = \beta(\mathcal{V}(x))$  for every  $x$ , and therefore that  $[\mathcal{V}(x) \text{ mesh } \mathcal{V}(y) \iff \mathbb{F}_x \cap \mathbb{F}_y \neq \emptyset]$  and  $[\mathcal{V}(x) = \mathcal{V}(y) \iff \mathbb{F}_x = \mathbb{F}_y]$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 4.3.3.** *If  $\xi$  is a reciprocal convergence then so is its pseudotopological modification.*

**Proof.** The pseudotopological modification of  $\xi$  is given by:

$$\mathcal{F} \rightarrow x \text{ if and only if } \beta(\mathcal{F}) \subset \mathbb{F}_x$$

where  $\mathbb{F}_x = \{\mathcal{U} \in \beta X : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow_{\xi} x\}$ . Notice that an ultrafilter converges to a point  $x$  for  $\xi$  if and only if it converges to  $x$  for the pseudotopological modification. We then have  $\mathbb{F}_x = \{\mathcal{U} \in \beta X : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow x\}$  and therefore using proposition 4.3.2, if  $\xi$  is reciprocal then so is its pseudotopological modification.  $\square$

**Proof of theorem 4.3.3.**

With proposition 4.3.3, (i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (ii) is clear since a convergence and its pseudotopological modification have the same pretopological modification.

(ii)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iii) :

Let  $\xi$  be a reciprocal pseudotopology inducing  $c$  and take  $\mathbb{F}_x = \{\mathcal{U} : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow_{\xi} x\}$ . We clearly have  $\mathcal{V}_x = \cap\{\mathcal{F} : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow_{\xi} x\} = \cap\{\mathcal{U} : \mathcal{U} \in \mathbb{F}_x\}$  and since  $\xi$  is reciprocal, using proposition 4.3.2, we get condition (S).

Conversely assume that there exists a family  $(\mathbb{F}_x)_{x \in X}$  satisfying condition (S) and define a convergence  $\xi$  as follows:  $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow_{\xi} x$  if  $\beta(\mathcal{F}) \subset \mathbb{F}_x$ .

Let us check that it is indeed a convergence.

The condition  $\mathcal{V}_x = \cap\{\mathcal{U} : \mathcal{U} \in \mathbb{F}_x\}$  means that  $\beta(\mathcal{V}_x)$  is the closure in  $\beta X$  of  $\mathbb{F}_x$ . Since  $\dot{x} \in \beta(\mathcal{V}_x)$  and  $\{\dot{x}\}$  is open in  $\beta X$ , we have  $\dot{x} \in \mathbb{F}_x$ . Therefore  $\xi$  is a convergence and it is pseudotopological since for any ultrafilter  $\mathcal{U}$ ,  $\mathcal{U} \rightarrow_{\xi} x$  if and only if  $\mathcal{U} \in \mathbb{F}_x$ . Now from condition (S),  $\xi$  is also reciprocal and  $c$  is the closure associated to the pretopological modification of  $\xi$ .  $\square$

Finally theorem 4.3.3 with proposition 3.1.3 yield the following result from [12]:

**Corollary 4.3.1.** *A pretopological closure is induced by a Riesz Cauchy screen if and only if it is the closure of an (S2)-pretopological space.*

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