

Appendix E.

The following results are in reference to the proposed example of a regular non-completely regular space other than the standard the Tychonoff corkscrew example discussed on page 245.

Lemma E1. Let S be a topological space which contains disjoint closed subsets H and K which cannot be separated by disjoint open subsets of S . Let V be an open subset of S which contains H . Then $\text{cl}_S V \cap K$ and H cannot be separated by disjoint open subsets sets of S .

Proof: We are given two closed subsets H and K of S which cannot be completely separated by disjoint open subsets of S . Suppose V is any open set in S such that

$$H \subseteq V$$

Suppose there exists disjoint open subset D and E of S such that

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{cl}_S V) \cap K &\subseteq D \\ H &\subseteq E \end{aligned}$$

Since $E \cap D = \emptyset$, then $\text{cl}_S E \cap D = \emptyset$.

Also, since $H \subseteq E \cap V$, $\text{cl}_S(E \cap V) \cap K \neq \emptyset$ (for, if it was empty, $S \setminus \text{cl}_S(E \cap V)$ and $E \cap V$ would be disjoint open subsets of S which separate H and K contradicting the hypothesis).

$$\begin{aligned} \emptyset &\neq \text{cl}_S[E \cap V] \cap K \\ &\subseteq [\text{cl}_S E \cap \text{cl}_S V] \cap K \\ &= \text{cl}_S E \cap [\text{cl}_S V \cap K] \\ &\subseteq \text{cl}_S E \cap D \end{aligned}$$

Then $\text{cl}_S E \cap D \neq \emptyset$, a contradiction. So there cannot exist disjoint open subset E and D of S containing H and $\text{cl}_S V \cap K$.

Lemma E2. Let S be a non-normal topological which contains disjoint closed subsets H and K which cannot be separated by disjoint open subsets of S .

Consider the set

$$Z = (S \times \mathbb{N}) \cup \{\omega\}$$

The set Z is topologized as follows: $S \times \mathbb{N}$ is equipped with the usual product topology, and $S \times \mathbb{N}$ is open in Z . The point, ω , has an open neighborhood

base $\mathcal{B} = \{B_n : n = 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ where

$$B_n = Z \setminus (S \times \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\})$$

$$B_n = \{\omega\} \cup (S \times \{n+1, n+2, n+3, \dots\})$$

The base \mathcal{B} generates the topological space, (Z, τ_Z) . Then

- (a) If S is Hausdorff then so is Z .
- (b) If S is regular then so is Z .
- (c) If S is completely regular then so is Z .

Proof (a): Suppose S is Hausdorff.

Let $(a, n), (b, m)$ be distinct points in $S \times \mathbb{N}$. If $n \neq m$, then $S \times \{n\}$ and $S \times \{m\}$ are disjoint open neighborhoods of (a, n) and (b, m) . If $n = m$ then $a \neq b$. Since S is Hausdorff there exists disjoint open neighborhoods U and V in S which separate a and b . Then $U \cap (S \times \{n\})$ and $V \cap (S \times \{n\})$ are disjoint open subsets of Z which contain (a, n) and (b, m) . So Z is Hausdorff.

Proof of (b): Suppose S is regular.

Case 1. Let F be a closed subset of Z which does not contain the point ω . Then there is $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $B_n \cap F = \emptyset$. We claim that B_n is clopen in Z . For each $r \leq n$, $S \times \{r\}$ is open in Z . Then $\cup\{S \times \{r\} : r \leq n\}$ is open in Z . Then $Z \setminus \cup\{S \times \{r\} : r \leq n\}$ is closed. Since $Z \setminus \cup\{S \times \{r\} : r \leq n\} = B_n$, then B_n is clopen, as claimed.

Then B_n and $Z \setminus B_n$ are disjoint open neighborhoods of ω and F in Z .

Case 2. Suppose, on the other hand, that F is a closed subset of Z which does not contain (a, d) .

Subcase 2.1. Suppose $\omega \notin F$. Then F is a closed subset of $S \times \mathbb{N}$ which does not intersect $\{\omega\}$. There exist disjoint open neighborhoods U and V of F and (a, d) in $S \times \mathbb{N}$. Then U and V are disjoint open neighborhoods in Z which separate F and (a, d) in Z .

Subcase 2.2. Suppose ω belongs to the closed subset F and $(a, d) \notin F$. There exists disjoint open neighborhoods U and V of $F \cap (S \times \mathbb{N})$ and (a, d) , respectively, in $S \times \mathbb{N}$. Choose $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $B_n \cap V = \emptyset$. Then $B_n \cup U$ and V are disjoint open neighborhoods of F and (a, d) in Z .

The Z is a regular space.

Proof of (c): Suppose S is completely regular.

Case 1. Let F be a closed subset of Z which does not contain the point ω . Then there exists $m \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $B_m \cap F = \emptyset$. Then B_m and $Z \setminus B_m$ are disjoint clopen subsets of Z which contain $\{\omega\}$ and F respectively.

Then the continuous function $f : Z \rightarrow [0, 1]$ defined as $f[B_m] = \{0\}$ and $f[Z \setminus B_m] = \{1\}$ separates $\{\omega\}$ and F , as required.

Case 2. Suppose that F is a closed subset of Z which does not contain (a, d) .

Subcase 2.1. Suppose $\omega \notin F$.

Since F is closed, there exists a neighborhood B_n such that $B_n \cap (F \cup \{(a, d)\}) = \emptyset$. Both S and \mathbb{N} are completely regular, then so is $S \times \mathbb{N}$. Then there exists a function $f : S \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ such that $F \subseteq Z(f)$ and $(a, d) \in Z(f - 1)$. We can define $f[B_n] = \{0\}$. Since B_n is clopen, then $f : Z \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is a continuous function on Z which separates F and (a, d) .

Subcase 2.2. Suppose ω belongs to the closed subset F and $(a, d) \notin F$. Then $F \cap (S \times \mathbb{N})$ is closed in $S \times \mathbb{N}$. Then there exists a function $f : S \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ such that $F \cap (S \times \mathbb{N}) \subseteq Z(f)$ and $(a, d) \in Z(f - 1)$. Let B_n be a clopen neighborhood of ω in Z which misses (a, d) . Define $f[B_n] = \{0\}$. Then $f : Z \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is a continuous function on Z which separates F and (a, d) .

Lemma E3. Let S be a non-normal topological which contains disjoint closed subsets H and K which cannot be separated by disjoint open subsets of S .

Consider the set

$$Z = (S \times \mathbb{N}) \cup \{\omega\}$$

equipped with the topology τ_Z described above in Lemma E2.

We partition the set Z as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= \{ \{(x, n), (x, n+1)\} : x \in H \text{ and } n \text{ is even} \} \\ A_2 &= \{ \{(y, n), (y, n+1)\} : y \in K \text{ and } n \text{ is odd} \} \\ A_3 &= \{ \{(a, b)\} : a \notin H \cup K \} \cup \{\omega\} \end{aligned}$$

So that $\mathcal{D} = A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3$ is a decomposition of the space Z .

Let $q : Z \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ be the quotient map associating each point in Z to the unique element in \mathcal{D} which contains it. For example,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{If } x \notin (H \cup K) &\Rightarrow q((x, 4)) = [(x, 4)] = \{(x, 4)\} \\ \text{If } x \in H &\Rightarrow q((x, 4)) = [(x, 4)]_H = \{(x, 4), (x, 5)\} \\ \text{If } x \in K &\Rightarrow q((x, 4)) = [(x, 4)]_K = \{(x, 3), (x, 4)\} \\ \\ \text{If } x \notin (H \cup K) &\Rightarrow q((x, 5)) = [(x, 5)] = \{(x, 5)\} \\ \text{If } x \in H &\Rightarrow q((x, 5)) = [(x, 5)]_H = \{(x, 4), (x, 5)\} \\ \text{If } x \in K &\Rightarrow q((x, 5)) = [(x, 5)]_K = \{(x, 5), (x, 6)\} \end{aligned}$$

Equip \mathcal{D} with the quotient topology τ_q induced by q , to obtain the quotient space (\mathcal{D}, τ_q) induced by q . Then U is open in \mathcal{D} provided $q^{-1}[U]$ is open Z .

- (a) The decomposition space $\mathcal{D} \setminus \{\omega\}$ is upper semicontinuous.
- (b) The quotient map $q : Z \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ is a perfect map.
- (c) The subset $q[S \times \{r\}]$ is closed in \mathcal{D} for all $r \in \mathbb{N}$.
- (d) The space (\mathcal{D}, τ_q) is Hausdorff. If S is regular than \mathcal{D} is regular.
- (e) The sets S and $q[S \times \{r\}]$ are homeomorphic for all $r \in \mathbb{N}$.

Proof of (a): We are given that S is Hausdorff.

(a) We are required to show that $\mathcal{D} \setminus \{\omega\}$ is an upper semicontinuous decomposition of $S \times \mathbb{N}$.

Case 1. Let (a, r) in $S \times \mathbb{N}$ such that $a \notin H \cup K$.

Let U be an open neighborhood of (a, r) in $S \times \{r\} \subseteq S \times \mathbb{N}$. There exists an open V in S such that $V \cap (H \cup K) = \emptyset$ and $(a, r) \in q^{-1}[V \times \{r\}] \subseteq U$. So U contains a q -saturated open neighborhood of (a, r) .

Case 2. Suppose $(h, n) \in Z$ such that $h \in H$ and n is even.

Let W be an open neighborhood of $(h, n) \in S \times \mathbb{N}$. Since H and K are disjoint closed subsets of S , there exists an open neighborhood V of h in S such that $V \cap K = \emptyset$ and $V \times \{n, n+1\} \subseteq W$.

Then $V \times \{n, n+1\} = (V \cap H) \times \{n, n+1\} \cup (V \setminus H) \times \{n, n+1\}$.

Clearly the subset $(V \setminus H) \times \{n, n+1\}$ is q -saturated.

Since

$$\begin{aligned} q^{-1}[q[(V \cap H) \times \{n, n+1\}]] &= q^{-1}[\{(x, n)_H : x \in V \cap H\}] \\ &= q^{-1}[\{(x, n+1)_H : x \in V \cap H\}] \\ &= \{(x, n), (x, n+1) : x \in V \cap H\} \\ &= (V \cap H) \times \{n, n+1\} \end{aligned}$$

Then $(V \cap H) \times \{n, n+1\}$ is q -saturated.

Then W is a q -saturated open neighborhood of $(h, n) \in Z$ such that $h \in H$ where n is even.

Case 3. Suppose $(k, n) \in Z$ such that $k \in K$ and k is odd. Let W be an open neighborhood of $(k, n) \in S \times \mathbb{N}$. There exists an open neighborhood V of h in S such that $V \cap H = \emptyset$ and $V \times \{n, n+1\} \subseteq W$.

As in case 2, $q^{-1}[q[V \times \{n, n+1\}]] = V \times \{n, n+1\}$.

We conclude that $\mathcal{D} \setminus \{\omega\}$ is upper semicontinuous, as required.

Proof of (b): Since the quotient map of an upper semicontinuous decomposition is closed, $q : S \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathcal{D} \setminus \{\omega\}$ is a closed quotient map. Suppose F is

closed in $S \times \mathbb{N}$ and ω is a limit point of F in Z . Then $q[F \cup \{\omega\}] = q[F] \cup \{\omega\}$ where F is closed in $\mathcal{D} \setminus \{\omega\}$. Since ω is a limit point of F in Z and q is continuous then $q[F]$ contains its limit point $\{\omega\}$ in \mathcal{D} . So $q[F \cup \{\omega\}]$ is closed in \mathcal{D} . We conclude that $q : Z \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ is a closed quotient map.

Clearly, for every element d in \mathcal{D} , $q^{-1}(d)$ is compact in Z .

So $q : Z \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ is a perfect function.

Proof of (c): Since $q : Z \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ is a perfect map and $S \times \{r\}$ is closed in Z for all $r \in \mathbb{N}$, then $q[S \times \{r\}]$ is closed for all $r \in \mathbb{N}$.

For example, If n is even,

$$\begin{aligned} q[S \times \{n\}] &= \{q(x, n) : x \notin H \cup K\} \cup \{q(x, n) : x \in H\} \cup \{q(x, n) : x \in K\} \\ &= \{[x, n] : x \notin H \cup K\} \cup \{[x, n]_H : x \in H\} \cup \{[x, n]_K : x \in K\} \\ &= \{(x, n) : x \notin H \cup K\} \\ &\quad \cup \{(x, n), (x, n+1) : x \in H\} \\ &\quad \cup \{(x, n-1), (x, n) : x \in K\} \end{aligned}$$

If n is odd,

$$\begin{aligned} q[S \times \{n\}] &= \{q(x, n) : x \notin H \cup K\} \cup \{q(x, n) : x \in H\} \cup \{q(x, n) : x \in K\} \\ &= \{[x, n] : x \notin H \cup K\} \cup \{[x, n]_H : x \in H\} \cup \{[x, n]_K : x \in K\} \\ &= \{(x, n) : x \notin H \cup K\} \\ &\quad \cup \{(x, n-1), (x, n) : x \in H\} \\ &\quad \cup \{(x, n), (x, n+1) : x \in K\} \end{aligned}$$

Proof of (d): Since $q : Z \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ has been shown to be a perfect map, then based on the result proven in the related example on page 628 if S is Hausdorff then \mathcal{D} is Hausdorff and if S is regular then \mathcal{D} is regular.

Proof of (e): Let $f : S \rightarrow S \times \{r\}$ (for a fixed $r \in \mathbb{N}$) be defined as $f(x) = (x, r)$. Clearly, f maps S homeomorphically onto $S \times \{r\}$. We know that the function $q : S \times \{r\} \rightarrow \{(x, r) : x \in S\}$ defined as $q((x, r)) = [x, r]$ is continuous and one-to-one.

Then the function $h = q \circ f$ is continuous and one-to-one. To show that h is a homeomorphism it suffices to show that h is open.

Let U be an open subset of S . See that $q^{-1}[q[U \times \{r\}]] = q^{-1}[\{[x, r] : x \in U\}] = U \times \{r\}$. Then $q[U \times \{r\}]$ is open in \mathcal{D} . Then h is a homeomorphism.

Theorem E4. *A regular space which is not completely regular.* Let S be a non-normal topological which contains disjoint closed subsets H and K which cannot be separated by disjoint open subsets of S .

Let

$$Z = (S \times \mathbb{N}) \cup \{\omega\}$$

be a set equipped with the topology τ_Z described above.

Let (\mathcal{D}, τ_q) be the quotient space generated by the quotient map $q : S \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ as described above. Then (\mathcal{D}, τ_q) is a regular space which is not completely regular.

Proof: We are required to show that (\mathcal{D}, τ_q) is a regular space which is not completely regular. Suppose there exists a continuous function $f : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ such that

$$f[q[S \times \{1\}]] = \{1\} \quad \text{and} \quad f[\{\omega\}] = \{0\}$$

We will derive from this assumption some contradiction.

Let

$$\{x_i : i \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}\}$$

be a strictly increasing sequence in the open interval $(0, 1/2) \subset f[\mathcal{D}]$ which converges to $1/2$ (where $x_1 \neq 0$).

For each $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, we let

$$V_i = f^{-1}[[0, x_i]] \quad \text{and} \quad A_i = f^{-1}[[x_i, x_{i+1}]]$$

It represents a collection of subsets of \mathcal{D} where

$$\{\omega\} \in f^{-1}[[0, x_1]] = V_1 \subset V_2 \subset V_3 \subset \dots$$

The set $V_1 = f^{-1}[[0, x_1]]$ is an open neighborhood of $\{\omega\}$. Then $q^{-1}[V_1]$ is an open neighborhood of ω in Z . It contains a basic open neighborhood of the form

$$B_n = \{\omega\} \cup (S \times \{n+1, n+2, n+3, \dots\})$$

We can choose an even value for n such that $H \times \{n\} \subseteq q^{-1}[V_1]$. Hence, for this even n , $q[H \times \{n\}] \subseteq V_1$.

We introduce some notation: Let

$$\begin{aligned} H_n &= q[H \times \{n\}] \\ K_n &= q[K \times \{n\}] \end{aligned}$$

To better illustrate the mechanism behind the following arguments suppose, for example, $n = 6$ so that $H_6 \subseteq V_1 = f^{-1}[(0, x_1)]$ ¹

¹Note that in what follows $K_6 = K_5$.

Claim #1. We claim that

$$f^{-}(x_1) \cap K_5 \neq \emptyset$$

Proof of claim: Since H_6 and K_5 cannot be contained in disjoint open neighborhoods and $H_6 \subseteq V_1 \setminus K_5 \subseteq V_1$, by Lemma E1,

$$H_6 \text{ and } \text{cl}_{\mathcal{D}}(V_1) \cap K_5$$

cannot be contained in disjoint open subsets.

So there exists $z \in \text{cl}_{\mathcal{D}}[V_1 \setminus K_5] \cap (\text{cl}_{\mathcal{D}}[V_1] \cap K_5)$.

Since

$$\text{cl}_{\mathcal{D}}[V_1 \setminus K_5] \cap (\text{cl}_{\mathcal{D}}[V_1] \cap K_5) = \text{cl}_{\mathcal{D}}[V_1 \setminus K_5] \cap K_5$$

and

$$[V_1 \setminus K_5] \cap K_5 = \emptyset$$

then

$$[\text{cl}_{\mathcal{D}}(V_1 \setminus K_5)] \setminus (V_1 \setminus K_5) \cap K_5 \neq \emptyset$$

Given that $f^{-}[[0, x_1]] \subseteq f^{-}[[x_0, x_1]] \Rightarrow \text{cl}_{\mathcal{D}}f^{-}[[0, x_1]] \subseteq f^{-}[[x_0, x_1]]$ we can deduce that

$$z \in [\text{cl}_{\mathcal{D}}(f^{-}[[0, x_1]] \setminus K_5)] \setminus (f^{-}[[0, x_1]] \setminus K_5) \Rightarrow z \in f^{-}(x_1)$$

and since $z \in K_5$ then

$$f^{-}(x_1) \cap K_5 \neq \emptyset$$

as claimed.

Also note: Given that $A_1 = f^{-}[[x_1, x_2]]$ and $f^{-}(x_1) \cap K_5 \neq \emptyset$ then

$$A_1 \cap K_5 \neq \emptyset$$

Step 1. Since H_6 and $K_6 = K_5$ cannot be separated by disjoint open subsets and $H_6 \subseteq V_1 = f^{-}((0, x_1))$, then

$$\text{cl}_{\mathcal{D}}V_1 \cap K_5 \neq \emptyset$$

Claim #2. We claim that the two subsets $\text{cl}_{\mathcal{D}}V_1$ and $A_1 \cap K_5$ cannot be separated by disjoint open subsets.

Proof of claim.

$$\begin{aligned} z \in f^{-}[\{x_1\}] \cap K_5 &\Rightarrow z \in [f^{-}[\{x_1\}] \cup f^{-}[(x_1, x_2)]] \cap K_5 \\ &= z \in f^{-}[[x_1, x_2]] \cap K_5 \\ &= z \in A_1 \cap K_5 \end{aligned}$$

Then $z \in \text{cl}_{\mathcal{O}}V_1 \cap A_1 \cap K_5$ where

$$V_1 \cap A_1 \cap K_5 = \emptyset$$

Then the two subsets $\text{cl}_{\mathcal{O}}V_1$ and $A_1 \cap K_5$ cannot be separated by disjoint open subsets, as claimed.

Note that by definition of A_1 , the non-empty subset $A_1 \cap K_5 \subseteq V_2$.

Since $A_1 \cap K_5 \subseteq V_2$, then by Lemma E1, the two closed subsets

$$(\text{cl}_{\mathcal{O}}V_2) \cap H_6 \quad \text{and} \quad \text{cl}_{\mathcal{O}}A_1 \cap K_5$$

cannot be separated by disjoint open subsets.

Since $(\text{cl}_{\mathcal{O}}V_2) \cap H_6 = H_6$,

$$H_6 \quad \text{and} \quad \text{cl}_{\mathcal{O}}A_1 \cap K_5$$

cannot be separated by disjoint open subsets.

We repeat the procedure for the two non-empty subsets $A_1 \cap K_5$ and H_5 (where $A_1 \cap K_5 \neq \emptyset$ and $A_1 \cap K_5 \subseteq V_2$). Note that $H_5 = H_4$. As shown in Claim #1,

$$f^{-1}[\{x_2\}] \cap H_4 \neq \emptyset$$

Step 2. Since $A_1 \cap K_5$ and $H_5 = H_4$ cannot be separated by disjoint open subsets and $A_1 \cap K_5 \subseteq V_2 = f^{-1}[(0, x_2)]$, then

$$\text{cl}_{\mathcal{O}}f^{-1}[(0, x_2)] \cap H_4 = \text{cl}_{\mathcal{O}}V_2 \cap H_4 \neq \emptyset$$

As in Claim #1,

$$f^{-1}(x_2) \cap H_4 \neq \emptyset$$

As in Claim #2, we prove that $\text{cl}_{\mathcal{O}}V_2$ and $A_2 \cap H_4$ cannot be separated by disjoint open subsets.

$$\begin{aligned} z \in f^{-1}[\{x_2\}] \cap H_4 &\Rightarrow z \in [f^{-1}[\{x_2\}] \cup f^{-1}[(x_2, x_3)]] \cap H_4 \\ &= z \in f^{-1}[[x_2, x_3)) \cap H_4 \\ &= z \in A_2 \cap H_4 \end{aligned}$$

Then $z \in \text{cl}_{\mathcal{O}}V_2 \cap (A_1 \cap K_5)$ where

$$V_2 \cap (A_2 \cap H_4) = f^{-1}[(0, x_2)] \cap (f^{-1}[[x_2, x_3)) \cap H_4) = \emptyset$$

Then the two subsets $\text{cl}_\varnothing V_2$ and $A_2 \cap H_4$ cannot be separated by disjoint open subsets, as claimed.

Note that $A_1 \cap K_5 \neq \emptyset$ and $A_1 \cap K_5 \subseteq V_2$.

Since $A_1 \cap K_5 \subseteq V_2$, then by Lemma E1, the two subsets

$$(\text{cl}_\varnothing V_2) \cap H_6 \quad \text{and} \quad A_1 \cap K_5$$

cannot be separated by disjoint open subsets.

Since $A_2 \cap H_4 \neq \emptyset$ and $A_2 \cap H_4 \subseteq V_3$, then by Lemma E1, the two subsets

$$V_3 \cap (A_1 \cap K_5) = A_1 \cap K_5 \quad \text{and} \quad A_2 \cap H_4$$

cannot be separated by disjoint open subsets.

This completes the Step 2.

We summarize the final steps to arrive at a contradiction.

Step 1. Given $H_6 \subseteq V_1$, “The sets H_6 and K_5 cannot be separated by disjoint open subsets where ” implies “The sets H_6 and $A_1 \cap K_5$. cannot be separated by disjoint open subsets, where $A_1 \cap K_5 \neq \emptyset$ and $A_1 \cap K_5 \subseteq V_2$ ”.

Step 2. Given $A_1 \cap K_5 \subseteq V_2$, “The sets $A_1 \cap K_5$ and H_6 cannot be separated by disjoint open subsets” implies “The sets $A_1 \cap K_5$ and $A_2 \cap H_4$. cannot be separated by disjoint open subsets, where $A_2 \cap H_4 \neq \emptyset$ and $A_2 \cap H_4 \subseteq V_3$ ”.

Step 3. Given $A_2 \cap H_4 \subseteq V_3$, “The sets $A_1 \cap K_5$ and $A_2 \cap H_4$ cannot be separated by disjoint open subsets” implies “The sets $A_2 \cap H_4$ and $A_3 \cap K_3$, where $A_3 \cap K_3 \neq \emptyset$ and $A_3 \cap K_3 \subseteq V_4$ ”.

We work our way down to

Step 5. Given $A_4 \cap H_2 \subseteq V_5$, “The sets $A_4 \cap H_2$ and $A_3 \cap K_3$ cannot be separated by disjoint open subsets” implies “The sets $A_4 \cap H_2$ and $A_5 \cap K_1$, where $A_5 \cap K_1 \neq \emptyset$ and $A_5 \cap K_1 \subseteq V_6$ ”.

From the result of Step 5, we derive a contradiction.

Claim #3. We claim that $f[q[S \times \{1\}]] \cap [0, 1/2] \neq \emptyset$.

Proof of claim: See that $K_1 \subseteq q[S \times \{1\}]$, that $A_5 \cap K_1 \neq \emptyset$ and $A_5 \cap K_1 \subseteq V_6 = f^{-1}[[0, x_6]]$.

Then

$$f[K_1 \cap q[S \times \{1\}]] \subseteq [0, x_6) \subseteq [0, 1/2]$$

Then $f[q[S \times \{1\}]] \cap [0, 1/2] \neq \emptyset$, as claimed.

Since $f[q[S \times \{1\}]] = \{0, \}$, we have a contradiction.

The source of our contradiction is our initial assumption that there exists a continuous function $f : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ such that

$$f[q[S \times \{1\}]] = \{1\} \text{ and } f[\{\omega\}] = \{0\}$$

So (\mathcal{D}, τ_q) is a regular space which is not completely regular.

We are done.