

# SPACES WITH COMPACT-COUNTABLE $k$ -SYSTEMS\*

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**Abstract.** In this paper the relations among  $k$ -covers,  $cs^*$ -covers and  $k$ -systems are discussed. The following question is partially answered: Does every separable  $k'$ -space with a point-countable  $k$ -system have a countable  $k$ -system?

## 1. Introduction

In 1972, E. Michael established the characterizations of paracompact locally compact spaces under quintuple quotient mappings (i.e., open mapping, bi-quotient mapping, countably bi-quotient mapping, pseudo-open mapping and quotient mapping) (see [1]). In 1982, Y. Tanaka investigated spaces with a point-countable  $k$ -system [2]. In 1992, S. Lin established the relationships between paracompact locally compact spaces and all kinds of spaces with  $k$ -systems [3]. In this paper, we discuss the relations among  $k$ -covers,  $cs^*$ -covers and  $k$ -systems, and partially answer a problem posed by Y. Tanaka [2]. As applications, we give some characterizations for spaces with a compact-countable  $k$ -system by means of certain maps on paracompact locally compact spaces, and obtain some corresponding results on locally compact metric spaces.

Let  $X$  be a space, and let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a cover of  $X$ . Then  $\mathcal{P}$  is called a  $k$ -cover of  $X$  if every compact  $K \subset X$  is covered by some finite  $\mathcal{P}' \subset \mathcal{P}$ .  $\mathcal{P}$  is a  $cs^*$ -cover of  $X$  if for each sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converging to  $x \in X$ , some  $P \in \mathcal{P}$  contains the point  $x$  and points  $x_n$  frequently. Recall some basic definitions. A space  $X$  is determined by  $\mathcal{P}$  if  $U \subset X$  is open (closed) in  $X$  if and only if  $U \cap P$  is open (closed) in  $P$  for every  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ . If each element of  $\mathcal{P}$  is compact (resp. compact metric) in  $X$ , then such a cover is called a  $k$ -system (resp.  $mk$ -system) according to A. V. Arhangel'skii (see [4]). A space  $X$  is a  $k$ -space (resp. a sequential space), if it is determined by the cover consisting of all (resp. all compact metric) subsets of  $X$ . A space  $X$  is a  $k'$ -space (resp. Fréchet space) if, whenever  $x \in \overline{A}$ , there exists a compact subset  $C$  of  $X$  (resp. a sequence  $\{a_n : n \in N\}$  in  $A$ ) with  $x \in \overline{A \cap C}$  (resp.  $a_n \rightarrow x$ ).

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A collection  $\mathcal{P}$  in  $X$  is compact-countable (resp. point-countable) if each compact subset of  $X$  (resp. each single point) meets only countable many members of  $\mathcal{P}$ .

A map  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is called compact-covering (see [5]) (resp. sequence-covering [6]) if each compact subset (resp. convergent sequence including its limit point) of  $Y$  is an image of a compact subset of  $X$  under  $f$ . A map  $f$  is a sequentially quotient map [7] (resp. subsequence-covering map [8]) if for each convergent sequence  $S$  of  $Y$ , there is a convergent sequence  $L$  (resp. compact subset  $L$ ) of  $X$  such that  $f(L)$  is a subsequence of  $S$ . A map  $f$  is called a  $cL$ -mapping (resp.  $cs$ -mapping [9]) if for any compact subset  $C$  of  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(C)$  is a Lindelöf (resp. separable) subspace of  $X$ . A map  $f$  is quotient if whenever  $f^{-1}(U)$  is open in  $X$ , then  $U$  is open in  $Y$ . A map  $f$  is pseudo-open if whenever  $f^{-1}(y) \subset V$  with  $V$  open in  $X$ , then  $y \in \text{int}(f(V))$ .

In this paper, all spaces are regular and  $T_1$ , and all mappings are continuous and onto.

## 2. Results

**PROPOSITION 2.1.** *Suppose that  $\mathcal{P}$  is a point-countable cover of  $X$ . Then  $\mathcal{P}$  is a  $k$ -system if and only if  $X$  is a  $k$ -space and  $\mathcal{P}$  is a  $k$ -cover consisting of compact subsets.*

**PROOF.** *Necessity.* Since  $X$  has a  $k$ -system,  $X$  is a  $k$ -space. So we must prove that  $\mathcal{P}$  is a  $k$ -cover of  $X$ . Suppose not. For each  $y \in K$ , where  $K$  is compact in  $X$ , let  $(\mathcal{P})_y = \{P_i(y) : i \in N\}$ . Inductively choose  $y_n \in K$  such that  $y_n \notin P_i(y_j)$  for  $i, j < n$ . Since  $K$  is compact in  $X$ , then  $A = \{y_n : n \in N\}$  has a cluster point  $x$ . Let  $L = A \setminus \{x\}$ . Then  $L$  is not closed in  $X$ , and so there is  $P \in \mathcal{P}$  such that  $P \cap L$  is not closed in  $X$ , and hence  $P$  contains infinitely many  $y_n$ 's. Let  $P = P_i(y_j)$  for some  $i$  and  $j$ , then there exists  $n > i, j$  such that  $y_n \in P_i(y_j)$ , a contradiction to the way that the  $y_n$ 's were chosen.

*Sufficiency.* Suppose that there exists  $F \subset X$  such that  $F \cap P$  is closed in  $X$  for each  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ , but  $F$  is not closed in  $X$ . By the sufficient conditions,  $F \cap C$  is not closed in  $X$  for some compact  $C \subset X$ , and so  $C \subset \cup \mathcal{P}'$  for some finite  $\mathcal{P}' \subset \mathcal{P}$ . However,  $F \cap C = \cup \{(F \cap P) \cap C : P \in \mathcal{P}'\}$  is closed in  $X$ , a contradiction. Hence  $X$  is determined by  $\mathcal{P}$ , and  $\mathcal{P}$  is a  $k$ -system for  $X$ .

From the proof of Proposition 1.2 in [11], we have:

**PROPOSITION 2.2.** *Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a point-countable  $cs^*$ -cover of  $X$ , and let each compact subset of  $X$  be a sequential space. Then  $\mathcal{P}$  is a  $k$ -cover of  $X$ .*

**PROPOSITION 2.3.** *Suppose  $X$  is a Fréchet space and  $\mathcal{P}$  is a  $k$ -cover of  $X$ , and  $A \subset X$ . If  $x \in A$ , then  $x \in \overline{P \cap A}$  for some  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ .*

PROOF. If  $x \in A$ , the conclusion is clear. So suppose  $x \notin A$ . There exists  $x_n \in A$  with  $x_n \rightarrow x$  in  $X$  because  $X$  is a Fréchet space. Let  $K = \{x\} \cup \{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . Then  $K \subset \cup \mathcal{P}'$  for some finite  $\mathcal{P}' \subset \mathcal{P}$ , and some  $P \in \mathcal{P}'$  must contain infinitely many  $x_n$ 's, and this  $P$  has the required property.

THEOREM 2.4. *Suppose that  $X$  is a separable Fréchet space, and a space in which every point is a  $G_\delta$ . If  $X$  has a point-countable  $k$ -cover consisting of compact subsets of  $X$ , then  $X$  has a countable  $k$ -cover consisting of compact subsets.*

PROOF. Let  $Q$  be a countable dense subset of  $X$ , and let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a point-countable  $k$ -cover consisting of compact subsets of  $X$ . Let  $\mathcal{R} = \{R : R \in \mathcal{P} \text{ and } R \cap Q \neq \emptyset\}$ . By Proposition 2.3,  $\mathcal{R}$  is a countable cover consisting of compact subsets of  $X$ . We will show that  $\mathcal{R}$  is a  $k$ -cover of  $X$ . Let  $K$  be a compact subset of  $X$  and  $x \in K$ . Put  $\mathcal{R} = \{R_n : n \in \omega\}$ , where  $x \in R_0$ . We claim that there exists  $n \in \omega$  such that  $x \in \text{int}_K \left( \bigcup_{i=0}^n R_i \right)$ . Suppose not. Since  $X$  is a space in which every point is a  $G_\delta$ ,  $K$  is a first-countable subspace. So we can choose  $x_n \in K \setminus \bigcup_{i \leq n} R_i$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow x$ . Because each  $R_n$  is compact and closed in  $X$ , we can also choose  $q_{n,k} \in Q \setminus \bigcup_{i \leq n} R_i$  such that  $q_{n,k} \rightarrow x_n$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . But then  $x$  is in the closure of these  $q_{n,k}$ 's, so there exists a sequence  $q_{n_j, k_j} \rightarrow x$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ . Since  $x_n \neq x$  and  $q_{n,k} \neq x$  for all  $n$  and  $k$  (because  $x \in R_0$ ), we have  $n_j \rightarrow \infty$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ . By Proposition 2.3, some  $P \in \mathcal{P}$  contains infinitely many  $q_{n_j, k_j}$ 's. Then  $P \in \mathcal{R}$ , so  $P = R_m$  for some  $m \in \omega$ . But  $q_{n_j, k_j} \notin R_m$  when  $n_j \geq m$ , a contradiction. Thus  $\mathcal{R}$  is a  $k$ -cover of  $X$ .

COROLLARY 2.5. *Suppose that  $X$  is a separable Fréchet space in which every point is a  $G_\delta$ . If  $X$  has a point-countable  $k$ -system, then  $X$  has a countable  $k$ -system.*

PROOF. Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a point-countable  $k$ -system for  $X$ . By Proposition 2.1,  $\mathcal{P}$  is a  $k$ -cover consisting of compact subsets of  $X$ . In view of Theorem 2.4,  $X$  has a countable  $k$ -cover  $\mathcal{P}'$  consisting of compact subsets. By Proposition 2.1,  $\mathcal{P}'$  is a countable  $k$ -system.

REMARK. Corollary 2.5 partially answers the following question posed by Tanaka in [2]: Does every separable  $k'$ -space with a point-countable  $k$ -system have a countable  $k$ -system?

THEOREM 2.6. *For a space  $X$ , the following are equivalent:*

- (1)  $X$  is a compact-covering and quotient  $cL$ -image of a paracompact locally compact space.
- (2)  $X$  is a quotient  $cL$ -image of a paracompact locally compact space.
- (3)  $X$  has a compact-countable  $k$ -system.

PROOF. (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). Obvious.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3). Suppose  $f : M \rightarrow X$  is a quotient  $cL$ -mapping, where  $M$  is a paracompact locally compact space. Then  $M$  has a locally-finite open cover  $\mathcal{B}$  such that for each  $B \in \mathcal{B}$ ,  $\overline{B}$  is compact in  $M$ . Let  $\mathcal{P} = \{f(\overline{B}) : B \in \mathcal{B}\}$ . Since  $f$  is a  $cL$ -mapping, then  $\mathcal{P}$  is a compact-countable cover consisting of compact subsets of  $X$ . By virtue of Lemma 1.7 in [6],  $X$  is determined by  $\mathcal{P}$  because  $f$  is a quotient mapping. Thus  $\mathcal{P}$  is a compact-countable  $k$ -system.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a compact-countable  $k$ -system for  $X$ . Then  $X$  is a  $k$ -space. By Proposition 2.1,  $\mathcal{P}$  is a  $k$ -cover consisting of compact subsets. Put  $M = \bigoplus \mathcal{P}$ , and let  $f : M \rightarrow X$  be the natural map. Then  $M$  is a paracompact locally compact space, and  $f$  is a  $cL$ -mapping. We shall show that  $f$  is compact-covering. In fact, for any compact subset  $K$  of  $X$ , since  $\mathcal{P}$  is a  $k$ -cover of  $X$ , there is a finite  $\mathcal{P}' \subset \mathcal{P}$  such that  $K \subset \bigcup \mathcal{P}'$ . Let  $L = \bigoplus \{K \cap P : P \in \mathcal{P}'\}$ . Then  $L$  is compact in  $M$  with  $f(L) = K$ , and so  $f$  is compact-covering. Because  $X$  is a  $k$ -space,  $f$  is also a quotient mapping. This completes the proof of the theorem.

**THEOREM 2.7.** *For a space  $X$ , we consider the following conditions.*

(1)  $X$  is a sequentially quotient  $cL$ -image of a paracompact locally compact space.

(2)  $X$  has a compact-countable  $cs^*$ -cover consisting of compact subsets of  $X$ .

(3)  $X$  is a sequence-covering  $cL$ -image of paracompact locally compact space.

(4)  $X$  is a subsequence-covering  $cL$ -image of a paracompact locally compact space.

Then (1)  $\iff$  (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4). If  $X$  is also a sequential space, then (4)  $\Rightarrow$  (1).

**PROOF.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). Assume that  $M$  is a paracompact locally compact space, and that  $f : M \rightarrow X$  is a sequentially quotient  $cL$ -mapping. Then  $M$  has a locally-finite open cover  $\mathcal{B}$  such that for each  $B \in \mathcal{B}$ ,  $\overline{B}$  is compact in  $M$ . Let  $\mathcal{P} = \{f(\overline{B}) : B \in \mathcal{B}\}$ . Since  $f$  is a  $cL$ -mapping, then  $\mathcal{P}$  is a compact-countable cover consisting of compact subsets of  $X$ . We shall show that  $\mathcal{P}$  is a  $cs^*$ -cover of  $X$ . In fact, for any sequence  $\{x_n\}$  with  $x_n \rightarrow x \in X$ , because  $f$  is sequentially-quotient, there are a subsequence  $\{x_{n_i}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  and some sequence  $\{y_i\}$  with  $y_i \in f^{-1}(x_{n_i})$  such that  $y_i \rightarrow y \in f^{-1}(x)$  in  $M$ . Thus some  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  contains  $\{y_i\}$  eventually because  $\mathcal{B}$  is an open cover of  $M$ . Hence  $f(\overline{B}) \in \mathcal{P}$  contains  $\{x_{n_i}\}$  eventually. This shows that  $\mathcal{P}$  is a  $cs^*$ -cover of  $X$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). Suppose that  $\mathcal{P}$  is a compact-countable  $cs^*$ -cover consisting of compact subsets of  $X$ . Put  $M = \bigoplus \mathcal{P}$ , and let  $f : M \rightarrow X$  be the natural map. Then  $M$  is a paracompact locally compact space, and  $f$  is a  $cL$ -map. We shall show that  $f$  is sequentially quotient. In fact, for any sequence  $\{x_n\}$  with  $x_n \rightarrow x$  in  $X$ , denote  $S = \{x\} \cup \{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . Then there is a finite  $\mathcal{P}' \subset \mathcal{P}$  such that  $S \subset \bigcup \mathcal{P}'$ . Let  $L = \bigoplus \{P \cap S : P \in \mathcal{P}'\}$ . Then  $L$  is sequen-

tially compact in  $M$  with  $f(L) = S$ , and so there is a convergent sequence  $L'$  such that  $f(L')$  is a subsequence of  $S$ . This shows that  $f$  is sequentially quotient.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3). From the proof of (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1), we have that  $L$  is compact in  $M$  with  $f(L) = S$ .

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4). Trivial.

Suppose that  $X$  is also a sequential space, and  $f : M \rightarrow X$  is subsequence-covering. From the proof of Lemma 1.6 in [11],  $f$  is sequentially quotient. Hence

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) holds.

By Proposition 2.2, Theorem 2.6 and Theorem 2.7, we have:

**COROLLARY 2.8.** *The following are equivalent for a sequential space  $X$ :*

(1)  $X$  is a compact-covering and quotient  $cL$ -image of a paracompact locally compact space.

(2)  $X$  is a quotient  $cL$ -image of a paracompact locally compact space.

(3)  $X$  is a sequentially quotient and quotient  $cL$ -image of a paracompact locally compact space.

(4)  $X$  is a sequence-covering and quotient  $cL$ -image of a paracompact locally compact space.

(5)  $X$  is a subsequence-covering and quotient  $cL$ -image of a paracompact locally compact space.

(6)  $X$  has a compact-countable  $k$ -system.

**COROLLARY 2.9.** *The following are equivalent for a space  $X$ :*

(1)  $X$  is a compact-covering and quotient  $cs$ -image of a locally compact metric space.

(2)  $X$  is a quotient  $cs$ -image of a locally compact metric space.

(3)  $X$  is a sequentially quotient and quotient  $cs$ -image of a locally compact metric space.

(4)  $X$  is a sequence-covering and quotient  $cs$ -image of a locally compact metric space.

(5)  $X$  is a subsequence-covering and quotient  $cs$ -image of a locally compact metric space.

(6)  $X$  has a compact-countable  $mk$ -system.

By Corollary 2.9, and Theorem 13 in [12], we have:

**COROLLARY 10.** *The following are equivalent for a space  $X$ :*

(1)  $X$  is a pseudo-open  $cL$ -image of a paracompact locally compact space.

(2)  $X$  is a  $k'$ -space with a compact-countable  $k$ -system.

**COROLLARY 11.** *The following are equivalent for a space  $X$ :*

(1)  $X$  is a pseudo-open  $cs$ -image of a locally compact metric space.

(2)  $X$  is a Fréchet space with a compact-countable  $mk$ -system.

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