

ON SPACES WITH A k -NETWORK
CONSISTING OF COMPACT SUBSETS*

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Dedicated to Professor Guoshi Gao on his 75th birthday

1. INTRODUCTION

In this paper all spaces are regular and T_1 . Suppose X is a topological space and \mathcal{P} is a collection of subsets of X . \mathcal{P} is a k -network for X whenever $K \subset U$ with K compact and U open in X , then $K \subset \bigcup \mathcal{P}' \subset U$ for some finite $\mathcal{P}' \subset \mathcal{P}$. If \mathcal{P} is a k -network for X , then \mathcal{P} is a closed k -network if P is closed in X for every $P \in \mathcal{P}$, \mathcal{P} is a compact k -network if P is compact in X for every $P \in \mathcal{P}$. We shall study spaces with a compact k -network because a study of certain CW-complex [9], the closed images of locally compact metric spaces [7], k -space properties of products of generalized metric spaces [8] relates to the concept of compact k -network. For example, Y. Tanaka in [9] discussed some characterizations of certain CW-complexes. The main tool is the following Theorem A.

Theorem A. *Let X be dominated by a cover of compact metric subsets. Suppose that X has a σ -locally finite (resp. σ -HCP) closed k -network, then X has a σ -locally finite (resp. σ -HCP) compact k -network.*

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Theorem A is a relation between closed k -networks and compact k -networks for a topological space in essence. In this paper we discuss these relations.

2. ON POINT-COUNTABLE COVERS

Lemma 2.1. *Suppose \mathcal{P} is a point-countable closed k -network for a space X which is closed under finite intersections. Put $\mathcal{F} = \{P \in \mathcal{P} : P \text{ is countably compact in } X\}$, then \mathcal{F} is a k -network for X if and only if every first countable closed subspace of X is locally compact.*

Proof: Necessity. We can assume that X is a first countable space. For each $x \in X$, let $\mathcal{F}_x = \{F \in \mathcal{F} : x \in F\} = \{F_n : n \in N\}$. If $x \in \overline{X \setminus \bigcup_{i \leq n} F_i}$ for each $n \in N$, there is $x_n \in V_n \cap (X \setminus \bigcup_{i \leq n} F_i)$ where $\{V_n\}$ is a local base for x in X . Thus $x_n \rightarrow x$, and $\{x\} \cup \{x_n : n \in N\} \subset \bigcup \mathcal{F}'$ for some finite $\mathcal{F}' \subset \mathcal{F}$, and some $F \in \mathcal{F}'$ contains infinitely many x_n , hence $x \in F$, a contradiction. Hence $x \in (\bigcup_{i \leq n} F_i)^0$ for some $n \in N$. By Corollary 3.5 in [3], each F_i is compact in X , and X is locally compact.

Sufficiency. If K is compact in X , then K is metrizable by Theorem 3.3 in [3]. By Miščenko's Lemma, a collection of minimal covers of K consisting of finite subcollections of \mathcal{P} is at most countable, say $\{\mathcal{P}_n\}$. For each $n \in N$, let

$$\mathcal{A}_n = \bigwedge_{i \leq n} \mathcal{P}_i, A_n = \bigcup \mathcal{A}_n,$$

so $\mathcal{A}_n \subset \mathcal{P}$ and $K \subset A_{n+1} \subset A_n$. We assert that A_n is countably compact for some $n \in N$. If not, then A_n contains a countable discrete closed subset D_n . Put

$$H = K \bigcup \left(\bigcup_{n \in N} D_n \right).$$

Then H is closed in X because $\{A_n\}$ is a network of K in X , and H is a first countable subspace of X , but H is not locally compact, a contradiction. Hence A_n is countable compact for some $n \in N$. Let $K \subset U$ with U open in X . There exists

$m \geq n$ such that $K \subset A_m \subset U$, i.e., a finite $\mathcal{A}_m \subset \mathcal{F}$ and $K \subset \bigcup \mathcal{A}_m \subset U$, thus \mathcal{F} is a k -network for X . \square

Theorem 2.2. *The following conditions are equivalent for a space X :*

- (1) X has a σ -discrete compact k -network.
- (2) X has a σ -locally finite compact k -network.
- (3) X has a σ -discrete closed k -network, and every first countable closed subspace of X is locally compact.
- (4) X has a σ -locally finite closed k -network, and every first countable closed subspace of X is locally compact.

Proof: Since every countable compact closed subspace of a space with a σ -locally finite closed k -network is compact, (1) is equivalent to (3), and (2) is equivalent to (4) by Lemma 2.1. By Theorem 4 in [1], we have that (3) is equivalent to (4). \square

If a space X is dominated by a cover of compact metric subspaces, then first countable closed subspace of X is locally compact by Lemma 14 in [9], thus Theorem 2.2 is a generalization of Theorem A.

Question 2.3. Suppose a space X has a point-countable closed k -network. Is X a space with a point-countable compact k -network if every first countable closed subspace of X is locally compact?

Using Theorem 2.4 in [6] and Lemma 2.1 we have a product theorem on k -spaces by the same proof of Theorem 3.1 in [8] as follows.

Theorem 2.4. *Suppose X and Y are k -spaces with a σ -locally countable k -network, then $X \times Y$ is a k -space if and only if one of the following three properties holds:*

- (1) X and Y are first countable space.
- (2) X or Y is locally compact.
- (3) X and Y are spaces with a σ -locally finite compact k -network.

3. ON σ -HCP COVERS

Suppose \mathcal{P} is a collection of subsets of a space X . \mathcal{P} is hereditarily closure-preserving if $H(P) \subset P \in \mathcal{P}$ implies that $\bigcup\{\overline{H(P)} : P \in \mathcal{P}\} = \bigcup\{H(P) : P \in \mathcal{P}\}$. A σ -hereditarily closure-preserving collection is the union of countably many hereditarily closure-preserving collections. We shall use “HCP (resp. σ -HCP)” instead of “hereditarily closure-preserving (resp. σ -hereditarily closure-preserving)”.

Theorem 3.1. *A space X has a σ -HCP compact k -network if and only if X has a σ -HCP closed k -network, and every first countable closed subspace of X is locally compact.*

Proof: Necessity. We can assume that X is a first countable space. Suppose $\bigcup_{n \in N} \mathcal{P}_n$ is a σ -HCP compact k -network for X , where each \mathcal{P}_n is HCP in X and $\mathcal{P}_n \subset \mathcal{P}_{n+1}$ for each $n \in N$. Put $P_n = \bigcup \mathcal{P}_n$, so that $P_n \subset P_{n+1}$. If there exists $x \in X \setminus \bigcup_{n \in N} P_n^0$, then there is $x_n \in V_n \cap (X \setminus P_n)$ where $\{V_n\}$ is a local base for x in X . Because $x_n \rightarrow x$, $\{x\} \cup \{x_n : n \in N\} \subset P_m$ for some $m \in N$, a contradiction. Thus $X = \bigcup_{n \in N} P_n^0$. To complete the proof of the necessity we need only prove that each P_n is locally compact. Let $q_n : \bigoplus \mathcal{P}_n \rightarrow P_n$ be the obvious mapping. Note that $\bigoplus \mathcal{P}_n$ is a locally compact metric space. Since \mathcal{P}_n is HCP, q_n is a closed mapping. We have that $\partial q_n^{-1}(x)$ is compact for each $x \in P_n$ because P_n is first countable. We can assume that q_n is a perfect mapping. Thus P_n is locally compact, and X is locally compact.

Sufficiency. Suppose $\mathcal{P} = \bigcup_{n \in N} \mathcal{P}_n$ is a σ -HCP closed k -network for X , where each \mathcal{P}_n is HCP in X , and $X \in \mathcal{P}_n \subset \mathcal{P}_{n+1}$. For each $n \in N$, put

$$D_n = \{x \in X : \mathcal{P}_n \text{ is not point-finite at } x\},$$

$$\mathcal{R} = \{P \setminus D_n : P \in \mathcal{P}_n, n \in N\} \cup \{\{x\} : x \in D_n, n \in N\}.$$

From the proof of Theorem in [5], we have the following facts:

- (1) D_n is σ -discrete in X .
- (2) $K \cap D_n$ is finite if K is compact in X .

- (3) For a finite $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{R}$, there are $m \in N, P \in \mathcal{P}_m$ and $D \subset D_m$ such that $\cap \mathcal{F} = (P \setminus D_m) \cup D$

Define

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{H} &= \{R \in \mathcal{R} : \bar{R} \text{ is compact in } X\}, \\ \mathcal{K} &= \{\bar{H} : H \in \mathcal{H}\}.\end{aligned}$$

By (1), \mathcal{K} is a σ -HCP collection of compact subsets of X . We shall prove that \mathcal{K} is a k -network for X .

For $K \subset U$ with K compact and U open in X , since \mathcal{R} is a point-countable cover of K , by Miščenko's lemma there are only countable many minimal finite subfamilies of \mathcal{R} covering K , say $\{\mathcal{R}_i\}$. For each $n \in N$, let $A_n = \cup(\bigwedge_{i \leq n} \mathcal{R}_i)$. Thus $\{\bar{A}_n\}$ is a descending sequence of closed subsets of X . If V is open in X with $K \subset V$, then $K \subset \cup \mathcal{P}' \subset V$ for some finite $\mathcal{P}' \subset \mathcal{P}_i$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned}K &\subset (\cup\{P \setminus D_i : P \in \mathcal{P}'\}) \cup (K \cap D_i) \\ &\subset (\cup\{\bar{P} \setminus \bar{D}_i : P \in \mathcal{P}'\}) \cup (K \cap D_i) \subset V.\end{aligned}$$

By (2), there is $n \in N$ such that

$$\mathcal{R}_n \subset \{P \setminus D_i : P \in \mathcal{P}'\} \cup \{\{x\} : x \in K \cap D_i\},$$

so $K \subset \bar{A}_n \subset V$, and $\{\bar{A}_n\}$ is a network of K in X . We have that \bar{A}_n is countably compact for some $n \in N$ by the proof of Lemma 2.1. Hence there exists $m \in N$ such that $\bar{A}_m \subset U$ and \bar{A}_m is countably compact. Since X is subparacompact, \bar{A}_m is compact. Since \bar{A}_m is a finite union of finite intersections of elements of \mathcal{R} , by (3), there are a finite $\mathcal{R}' \subset \mathcal{R}$ and some $D \subset D_j$ such that $A_m = (\cup \mathcal{R}') \cup D$. Put

$$\mathcal{H}' = \mathcal{R}' \cup \{\{x\} : x \in K \cap D\}.$$

Now \mathcal{H}' is a finite subfamily of \mathcal{H} and $K \subset \cup\{\bar{H} : H \in \mathcal{H}'\} \subset U$. Therefore, \mathcal{K} is a k -network for X , and X has a σ -HCP compact k -network.

Theorem 3.1 is a generalization of Theorem A.

Corollary 3.2. *The following conditions are equivalent for a space X ;*

- (1) X is a closed image of a locally compact metric space.
- (2) X is a closed image of a metric space, and every first countable closed subspace of X is locally compact.

- (3) X is a Fréchet space with a σ -HCP compact k -network.
 (4) X is a Fréchet space with a σ -HCP closed k -network,
 and every first countable closed subspace of X is locally compact.

Proof: By Corollary 1.4 in [7]. (1) is equivalent to (2). By Theorem 3.1, (3) is equivalent to (4). by Theorem in [2], (2) is equivalent to (4). \square

As for the relation between spaces with a σ -HCP compact k -network and spaces with a σ -locally finite compact k -network, we have that a space X has a σ -locally finite compact k -network if and only if X has a σ -HCP compact k -network, and X contains no closed copy of S_{ω_1} by Theorem 2.6 in [4].

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