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## SUBPARACOMPACT SPACES AND PSEUDO-CLOSED MAPS

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It is shown that a locally semi-stratifiable subparacompact space is semi-stratifiable. If a space  $X$  is the union of the locally finite family of closed subparacompact subspaces, then  $X$  is also subparacompact. The image of a countable subparacompact (metacompact) space under a pseudo-closed mapping is countable subparacompact (metacompact).

Notation and terminology will follow that of J. L. Kelley [8] and all mappings will be continuous and surjective. We denote the complement of a subset  $A$  of a topological space by  $\mathcal{C}A$ .

### 1. Properties of subparacompact spaces.

DEFINITION 1.1. [3] A topological space is said to be *subparacompact* if every open cover has a  $\sigma$ -discrete closed refinement.

This class of spaces was introduced by McAuley [10] and more recently has been studied by Burke [3]. Burke showed that a space is subparacompact if and only if every open cover of the space has a  $\sigma$ -locally finite closed refinement.

DEFINITION 1.2. [5] A topological space  $X$  is a *semi-stratifiable* space if, to each open set  $U \subset X$ , one can assign a sequence  $\{U_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  of closed subsets of  $X$  such that

- (a)  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n = U$ ,
- (b)  $U_n \subset V_n$  whenever  $U \subset V$ .

(If, in addition, the space  $X$  satisfies (c)  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \text{Int } U_n = U$ , then  $X$  is *stratifiable* [2].)

A correspondence  $U \longrightarrow \{U_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a *semi-stratification* (*stratification* for the space  $X$  whenever it satisfies the conditions (a), (b) (and (c))). Ceder [4] introduced  $M_3$ -spaces and Borges [2] renamed them "stratifiable", while Creede

[5] (Kofner [9]) studied semi-stratifiable spaces (pseudo-stratifiable spaces [that is, a spaces has a  $\sigma$ -cushioned pair-network]). We know that those two spaces are equivalent (see [2] p. 2)

We know that every paracompact space is subparacompact and every semi-stratifiable space is subparacompact [5]. Ceder has shown that any locally stratifiable paracompact space is stratifiable. We can obtain analogous result as follow:

**THEOREM 1.3.** *A locally semi-stratifiable subparacompact space is semi-stratifiable.*

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be a locally semi-stratifiable subparacompact space. Then for each  $x \in X$ , there exists an open neighborhood  $U_x$  such that  $U_x$  is semi-stratifiable. Since  $X$  is subparacompact, the open cover  $\{U_x | x \in X\}$  has a  $\sigma$ -discrete closed refinement  $\mathcal{A} = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{A}_n$ . For each  $F_\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $F_\alpha$  is contained in  $U_x$  for some  $x \in X$ . Since semi-stratifiable spaces is hereditary,  $F_\alpha$  is semi-stratifiable.

Let  $G$  be an open set in  $X$ . Then, since  $G \cap F_\alpha$  is open in  $F_\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_n$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and each  $\alpha$ , there is a semi-stratification  $G \cap F_\alpha \rightarrow \{[G \cap F_\alpha]_m\}_{m=1}^{\infty}$ . Let  $G_{n,m} = \bigcup \{[G \cap F_\alpha]_m | F_\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_n\}$ . Then  $G_{n,m}$  is closed in  $X$ , since  $[G \cap F_\alpha]_m$  is closed in  $X$  and  $\mathcal{A}_n$  is discrete. It is easy to check that  $G = \bigcup_{n,m=1}^{\infty} G_{n,m}$  and  $G_{n,m} \subset G_{n,m}^*$  whenever  $G \subset G^*$ . Thus the correspondence  $G \rightarrow \{G_{n,m}\}_{n,m=1}^{\infty}$  is a semi-stratification for the space  $X$ .

It is well known that a locally first countable space is first countable. With the aid of corollary 1.4 of [5], we have the following corollary.

**COROLLARY 1.4.** *A locally semi-metrizable subparacompact space is semi-metrizable.*

**THEOREM 1.5.** *If a space  $X$  is the union of a locally finite family of closed subparacompact subspaces, then  $X$  is also subparacompact.*

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be the union of a locally finite family  $\{F_\alpha\}$  of closed subparacompact spaces. Let  $\{U_\beta\}$  be an open cover of  $X$ . Then  $\{F_\alpha \cap U_\beta\}$  is an open cover of  $F_\alpha$ . Since  $F_\alpha$  is subparacompact, there exists a  $\sigma$ -discrete closed refinement  $\mathcal{A}^\alpha = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{A}_n^\alpha$  of  $\{F_\alpha \cap U_\beta\}$ . Let  $\mathcal{A}_n = \bigcup_\alpha \mathcal{A}_n^\alpha$ . Then  $\mathcal{A} = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{A}_n$  is a  $\sigma$ -locally finite clo-

sed refinement of  $\{U_\beta\}$ .

It is sufficient to show that  $\mathcal{A}_n$  is a locally finite family. For each  $x \in X$ , there is an open  $U_x$  containing  $x$  which intersects only finitely many members of  $\{F_\alpha\}$  say  $F_{\alpha_1}, F_{\alpha_2}, \dots, F_{\alpha_n}$ . Then we may assume that  $x$  is contained in each  $F_{\alpha_i}$ ,  $i=1, 2, \dots, n$ . Since  $\mathcal{A}_n^{\alpha_i}$  is discrete and  $x \in F_{\alpha_i}$ ,  $i=1, 2, \dots, n$ , there is an open neighborhood  $V_{\alpha_i}$  of  $x$  in  $X$  such that  $V_{\alpha_i} \cap F_{\alpha_i}$  intersects at most one element of  $\mathcal{A}_n^{\alpha_i}$  for  $i=1, 2, \dots, n$ . Let  $G_x = U_x \cap (\bigcap_{i=1}^n V_{\alpha_i})$ . Then  $G_x$  is a neighborhood of  $x$  intersecting at most finite elements of  $\mathcal{A}_n$ . Thus  $X$  is subparacompact.

**COROLLARY 1.6.** *If  $X$  is the union of a locally finite family of closed semi-stratifiable subspaces, then  $X$  is semi-stratifiable.*

*Proof.* It can be proved by Theorem 1.3, Theorem 1.5 and Theorem 2.8 of [4].

**DEFINITION 1.7.** [11]. Let  $\omega$  be an open cover of a space  $X$ . A mapping  $f$  from the space  $X$  onto some space  $Y$  is called an  $\omega$ -mapping if for each point  $y$  in  $Y$ , there exists a neighborhood  $O_y$  such that  $f^{-1}(O_y)$  is contained in an element of the cover  $\omega$ .

Pareek [11] proved that if every open cover  $\omega$  of the space  $X$  there exists an  $\omega$ -mapping  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  onto a s-paracompact space  $Y$ , then  $X$  is a s-paracompact space. Now we can obtain analogous results as follow:

**THEOREM 1.8.** *If for every open cover  $\omega$  of the space  $X$  there exists an  $\omega$ -mapping  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  onto a subparacompact space  $Y$ , then  $X$  is a subparacompact space.*

*Proof.* Let  $\omega$  be an open cover of the space  $X$ . Then by the hypothesis there exists an  $\omega$ -mapping  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  onto a subparacompact space  $Y$ . For each  $y$  in  $Y$ , let  $O_y$  be an open neighborhood of  $y$  such that  $f^{-1}(O_y)$  is contained in some  $U \in \omega$ . Evidently,  $\{O_y | y \in Y\}$  is an open cover of  $Y$ . Since  $Y$  is subparacompact, there exists a  $\sigma$ -discrete closed refinement  $\mathcal{A} = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{A}_n$ . Let  $\mathcal{A}_n^* = \{f^{-1}(B) | B \in \mathcal{A}_n\}$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since  $f$  is continuous and  $\mathcal{A}_n$  is discrete,  $\mathcal{A}_n^*$  is a discrete closed collection for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . For each  $f^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{A}_n^*$ ,  $f^{-1}(B) \subset f^{-1}(O_y)$  for some  $y \in Y$  and  $f^{-1}(O_y) \subset U$  for some  $U \in \omega$ . It is trivial that  $\mathcal{A}^* = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{A}_n^*$  is

a cover of  $X$ . Thus  $X$  is subparacompact.

**COROLLARY 1.9.** *If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a closed mapping from a space  $X$  onto a subparacompact space  $Y$  such that for each open cover  $\omega$  and each  $y$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(y)$  is contained in an element of  $\omega$ , then  $X$  is subparacompact.*

## 2. Pseudo-closed mappings.

In this section, a class of mappings, called pseudo-closed mappings, is introduced. Many topological properties be preserving under closed mappings are also preserved under pseudo-closed mappings.

**DEFINITION 2.1.** A mapping  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is pseudo-closed if for each open  $U \subset Y$  and any closed  $F \subset f^{-1}(U)$ , it follows that  $cl(f(F)) \subset U$ .

**LEMMA 2.2.** *A mapping  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is closed if and only if for each  $A \subset Y$  and any closed  $F \subset f^{-1}(A)$ , it follows that  $cl(f(F)) \subset A$ ,*

*Proof.* If: Let  $F$  be a closed set in  $X$ , then we let  $A = f(F)$ . Since  $F$  is contained in  $f^{-1}(A)$ , by hypothesis we have that  $cl(f(F)) \subset A$ . Therefore  $f$  is closed.

Only if: It is trivial.

**REMARK.** It is trivial that every closed mapping is pseudo-closed but the converse is not true.

**THEOREM 2.3.** *If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a mapping and  $Y$  is a  $T_1$ -space, then  $f$  is closed if and only if it is pseudo-closed.*

*Proof.* Let  $A (= \emptyset B)$  be a subset of  $Y$  and any closed  $F \subset f^{-1}(A)$ . Since  $f^{-1}(A) = f^{-1}(\emptyset B) = \bigcap_{y \in B} f^{-1}(\emptyset y)$ , we have that  $F \subset f^{-1}(\emptyset y)$  for each  $y \in B$ . Since  $f$  is pseudo-closed,  $cl(f(F)) \subset \emptyset y$  for each  $y \in B$ . Therefore  $cl(f(F)) \subset \emptyset B = A$ . Thus  $f$  is closed by Lemma 3.2.

**THEOREM 2.4.** *If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is pseudo-closed and  $X$  is semi-stratifiable, then  $Y$  is semi-stratifiable.*

*Proof.* Let  $U$  be an open subset of  $Y$ . Then, since  $f$  is continuous,  $f^{-1}(U)$  is an open set in  $X$ . Since  $X$  is semi-stratifiable, there is a semi-stratification  $f^{-1}(U) \rightarrow \{[f^{-1}(U)]_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ . Since  $f$  is pseudo-closed and  $[f^{-1}(U)]_n$  is closed in

$f^{-1}(U)$ , we have  $cl(f(\lceil f^{-1}(U) \rceil_n)) \subset U$ . We also have that  $U = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} cl(f(\lceil f^{-1}(U) \rceil_n))$ , since  $f^{-1}(U) = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \lceil f^{-1}(U) \rceil_n$ . It is trivial that  $cl(f(\lceil f^{-1}(U) \rceil_n)) \subset cl(f(\lceil f^{-1}(V) \rceil_n))$  whenever  $U \subset V$ . The correspondence  $U \longrightarrow \{cl(f(\lceil f^{-1}(U) \rceil_n))\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a semi-stratification for  $Y$ .

**COROLLARY 2.5.** (Creede) *If  $f : X \longrightarrow Y$  is closed and  $X$  is semi-stratifiable, then  $Y$  is semi-stratifiable.*

Hodel [6] showed that a topological space  $X$  is countably subparacompact if and only if it satisfies this condition: given a countable open cover  $\{U_n\}$  of  $X$ , there is a countable closed cover  $\{F_{nj}\}$  of  $X$  with  $F_{nj} \subset U_n$  for all  $n$  and  $j$ .

**THEOREM 2.6.** *If  $f : X \longrightarrow Y$  is pseudo-closed and  $X$  is countably subparacompact, then  $Y$  is countably subparacompact.*

*Proof.* Let  $\{U_n\}$  be a countable open cover of  $Y$ . Then  $\{f^{-1}(U_n)\}$  is a countable open cover of  $X$ . Since  $X$  is countably subparacompact, there exists a countable closed cover  $\{F_{nj}\}$  with  $F_{nj} \subset f^{-1}(U_n)$ . Since  $f$  is pseudo-closed and  $F_{nj} \subset f^{-1}(U_n)$ , we have that  $cl(f(F_{nj})) \subset U_n$  for each  $n$  and  $j$ . Thus we have a countable closed cover  $\{cl(f(F_{nj}))\}$ , of  $Y$  with  $cl(f(F_{nj})) \subset U_n$ . Hence  $Y$  is countably subparacompact.

Ishikawa [7] showed that a topological space is countably metacompact if and only if for a given countable decreasing chain  $\{F_n\}$  of nonempty closed sets with vacuous intersection, there exists a countable decreasing chain  $\{G_n\}$  of open sets with a vacuous intersection such that  $F_n \subset G_n$ .

**THEOREM 2.7.** *If  $f : X \longrightarrow Y$  is pseudo-closed and  $X$  is countably metacompact, then  $Y$  is countably metacompact.*

*Proof.* Let  $\{F_n\}$  be a countable decreasing chain of closed sets of  $Y$  with void intersection. Then, since  $f$  is continuous,  $\{f^{-1}(F_n)\}$  is a countable decreasing chain of closed sets of  $X$  with empty intersection. Since  $X$  is countably metacompact, there is a decreasing chain  $\{U_n\}$  of open sets such that  $f^{-1}(F_n) \subset U_n$  for each  $n$ . Now, let  $G_n = \mathcal{O}[cl(f(\mathcal{O}U_n))]$  for each  $n$ . Then we have that  $G_n \supset F_n$  and  $G_n \supset G_{n+1}$ . Since  $f$  is pseudo-closed,  $\mathcal{O}F_n$  is open in  $Y$  and  $\mathcal{O}U_n \subset \mathcal{O}[f^{-1}(F_n)] = f^{-1}(\mathcal{O}F_n)$ , we obtain  $cl(f(\mathcal{O}U_n)) \subset \mathcal{O}F_n$ . Thus we have  $F_n \subset \mathcal{O}[cl(f$

$(\mathcal{O}U_n))]=G_n$ . It is obvious that  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} G_n = \phi$ , since  $f^{-1}(\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} G_n) = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} f^{-1}(G_n) \subset \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n$ .

COROLLARY 2.8. (Banerjee). *If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is closed and  $X$  is countably metacompact, then  $Y$  is countably metacompact.*

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