

PROPERTIES OF *RS*-COMPACT SPACES

BY WOO CHORL HONG

0. Introduction

In [3] the concept of an *RS*-compact space was defined. In this paper, we show that the product space of *RS*-compact spaces is not *RS*-compact and prove that each *RS*-compact metrizable space is finite. Finally, we investigate the irresolute image of any weak *RS*-compact Hausdorff space in any Hausdorff space is closed.

In order for this paper to be as self-contained as possible, the following definitions are given. A subset U of a topological space is *regular semi-open* [1] if there exists a regular open set V such that $V \subset U \subset \text{Cl}(V)$. A topological space X is *RS-compact* (*weak RS-compact*) if every regular semi-open cover has a finite subfamily whose interiors cover X (resp. if every regular semi-open cover has a finite subcover). A topological space is *extremally disconnected* [8] if the closure of every open set is open. A subset S of a topological space is *semi-open* [4] if there exists an open set O such that $O \subset S \subset \text{Cl}(O)$. A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be *irresolute* [4] if the inverse image of every semi-open set is semi-open.

1. Products of *RS*-compact spaces

In Theorem 2.4 of [3], we proved that "Let $\{X_i | i \in I\}$ be a family of topological spaces. If $\prod_i X_i$ is *RS*-compact, then X_i is *RS*-compact for each $i \in I$." In this section we prove that the inverse of Theorem 2.4 is false as shown by the following example.

THEOREM 1.1. *Every extremally disconnected, compact space is RS-compact.*

Proof. Suppose that $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$ is a regular semi-open cover of an extremally disconnected and compact space X . Then there is a regular open set V_i such that $V_i \subset U_i \subset \text{Cl}(V_i)$ for each $i \in I$. Since X is extremally disconnected and each $V_i = \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(V_i))$, $U_i = \text{Int}(U_i)$ for each $i \in I$. Thus X is *RS*-compact since X is compact.

COROLLARY 1.2. *$\beta\mathbb{N}$ is RS-compact.*

Proof. $\beta\mathbb{N}$ is compact and extremally disconnected [2]. By Theorem 1

βN is RS -compact.

Combining the results of Theorem 1.1 [3] and Theorem 7 [6], we have the following theorem.

THEOREM 1.3. *If X is an RS -compact Hausdorff space, then X is extremally disconnected.*

EXAMPLE. βN is RS -compact and extremally disconnected. Although $\beta N \times \beta N$ is Hausdorff, it is not extremally disconnected [2, p.97]. Therefore, by Theorem 1.3, $\beta N \times \beta N$ is not RS -compact. It is thus shown that the product of two RS -compact spaces is not necessarily RS -compact.

2. RS -compact metrizable spaces

LEMMA 2.1. *Each RS -compact and semiregular space is compact.*

Proof. Let $\{O_i | i \in I\}$ be an open cover of the space X . Since X is semiregular, there is a regular open basis B and we have a regular open cover $\{B_i^j | \text{for each } i \in I, O_i = \cup_j B_i^j \text{ where } B_i^j \in B\}$. By hypothesis, there exists a finite subfamily $\{B_{i_k}^{j_k}\}$ of $\{B_i^j\}$ such that $X = \cup_k \text{Int}(B_{i_k}^{j_k})$. Hence we have a finite subcover of $\{O_i\}$, thus X is compact.

REMARK [5]. A T_1 -space X is metrizable if and only if it is semiregular.

THEOREM 2.2. *Each RS -compact metrizable space is finite.*

Proof. Suppose that an RS -compact metrizable space X is infinite. Since X is compact by Lemma 2.1, it is not discrete. Thus X has an accumulation point x . Let $\{U_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be a local base at x such that $U_1 = X$, U_n is open in X and $\text{Cl}(U_{n+1}) \subset U_n$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Let $\{N_k | k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be a family of pairwise disjoint infinite subsets of \mathbb{N} (\mathbb{N} = the set of positive integers) such that $\cup \{N_k | k \in \mathbb{N}\} = \mathbb{N}$. For each $k \in \mathbb{N}$, we set $V_k = \{x\} \cup \cup \{\text{Cl}(U_n) - \text{Cl}(U_{n+1}) | n \in N_k\}$. Then $\{V_k | k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a regular semi-open cover of X . If $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $\cup \{\text{Int}(V_k) | k \leq n\} \subset \cup \{\text{Cl}(V_k) | k \leq n\} \neq X$. Thus X is not RS -compact. This contradicts.

3. Irresolute images of weak RS -compact spaces

In this section we shall show that the irresolute image of any weak RS -compact Hausdorff space in any Hausdorff space is closed.

DEFINITION 3.1. A filterbase $F = \{A_i\}$ is said to be rs -accumulate a point x if for every regular semi-open set V containing x and for every $A_i \in F$, $A_i \cap \text{Cl}(V) \neq \emptyset$.

THEOREM 3.2. *For a topological space the following are equivalent:*

- a) *X is weak RS-compact.*
- b) *For each family of regular semi-closed (i. e., the complement of a regular semi-open set is regular semi-closed.) sets $\{F_\alpha\}$ such that $\bigcap F_\alpha = \phi$, then there exists a finite subfamily $\{F_{\alpha_i}\}$ such that $\bigcap_{i=1}^n F_{\alpha_i} = \phi$.*
- c) *Each filterbase $F = \{A_i\}$ *rs*-accumulates to some point $x \in X$.*

Proof. a) \implies c). Let $F = \{A_i\}$ be a filterbase. Suppose that F does not *rs*-accumulate to any point. This implies that every $x \in X$, there exists a regular semi-open set V_x containing x and an $A_{i_x} \in F$ such that $A_{i_x} \cap \text{Cl}(V_x) = \phi$. Obviously $\{V_x | x \in X\}$ is a regular semi-open cover of X and by hypothesis there exists a finite subfamily such that $\bigcup_{i=1}^n V_{x_i} = X (= \bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{Cl}(V_{x_i}))$. Since F is filterbase, there exists an $A_j \in F$ such that $A_j \subset \bigcap_{i=1}^n A_{i_{x_i}}$. Hence, $A_j \cap \text{Cl}(V_{x_i}) = \phi$, for each $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, which implies $A_j \cap (\bigcup_{i=1}^n \text{Cl}(V_{x_i})) = A_j \cap X = \phi$, contradicting the fact that $A_j \neq \phi$.

c) \implies b). Let $\{F_\alpha\}$ be a collection of regular semi-closed sets such that $\bigcap F_\alpha = \phi$. Suppose that for every finite subfamily, $\bigcap_{i=1}^n F_{\alpha_i} \neq \phi$. Therefore $F = \{\bigcap_{i=1}^n F_{\alpha_i} | n \in \mathbb{N}, F_{\alpha_i} \in \{F_\alpha\}\}$ forms a filterbase. By hypothesis, F *rs*-accumulates to some point $x \in X$. This implies that for every regular semi-open set V_x containing x , $F_\alpha \cap \text{Cl}(V_x) \neq \phi$, for every $\alpha \in I$. Since $x \notin \bigcap F_\alpha$ there exists an $j \in I$ such that $x \notin F_j$. Hence x is contained in the regular semi-open set $X - F_j$. Therefore

$$F_j \cap \text{Cl}(X - F_j) \subseteq F_j \cap (X - \text{Int}(F_j)) = \phi,$$

contradicting the fact that F *rs*-accumulates to the point x .

b) \implies a) The proof is omitted (cf. Theorem 2.2 [3]).

THEOREM 3.3. *The irresolute image of any weak RS-compact Hausdorff space in any Hausdorff space is closed.*

Proof. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be an irresolute function from a weak *RS*-compact Hausdorff space X to a Hausdorff space Y . Let $y \in \text{Cl}(f(X))$ and $N(y)$ be the open neighborhood filterbase about y . By hypothesis, the filterbase $F = f^{-1}\{N(y)\}$ has an *rs*-accumulation point x . We claim that the filterbase $f(F)$ accumulates to $f(x)$ in the usual sense. Indeed, let V be any open set containing $f(x)$. Then $f^{-1}(V)$ is a semi-open set containing x , and therefore for every $W \in N(y)$, $f^{-1}(W) \in F$, and $f^{-1}(W) \cap \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(V)) \neq \phi$. We have $\text{Int}(f^{-1}(W)) \cap \text{Int}(f^{-1}(V)) \neq \phi$. Therefore, $W \cap V \supseteq f(f^{-1}(W) \cap \text{Int}(f^{-1}(V))) \supseteq f(\text{Int}(f^{-1}(W)) \cap \text{Int}(f^{-1}(V))) \neq \phi$. Since W and V were arbitrarily chosen, we have that $f(F)$ accumulates to $f(x)$ in the usual sense. But $f(F)$ is a finer filterbase than $N(y)$, hence $N(y)$ accumulates to $f(x)$. Since

$N(y)$ obviously converses to y , we have by the Hausdorff property that $f(x)=y$. Hence, $y \in f(X)$ and $f(X)$ is closed in Y .

I would like to thank Professor Takashi Noiri for his invaluable suggestions in preparing this paper.

References

1. Douglas E. Cameron, *Properties of S-closed spaces*, Proc. Amer. Math. Soc. **72** (1978), 581-586.
2. Leonard Gillman and Meyer Jerison, *Rings of continuous functions*, Van Nostrand Reinhold Company, New York, 1960.
3. Woo Chorl Hong, *RS-compact spaces*, J. Korean Math. Soc. **17** (1980), 39-43.
4. Norman Levine, *Semi-open sets and semi-continuity in topological spaces*, Amer. Math. Monthly, **70** (1963), 36-41.
5. J. Nagata, *Modern General Topology*, North-Holland Publishing Company-Amsterdam, London, 1974.
6. Travis Thompson, *S-closed spaces*, Proc. Amer. Math. Soc. **60** (1976), 335-338.
8. S. Willard, *General Topology*, Addison-Wesley, 1970.

Busan National University