

## On a Question of Closed Maps of S. Lin

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ABSTRACT. Let  $X$  be a regular  $T_1$ -space such that each single point set is a  $G_\delta$  set. Denote ‘hereditarily closure-preserving’ by ‘HCP’. To consider a question of closed maps of S. Lin in [6], we improve some results of Foged in [1], and prove the following propositions.

Proposition 1.  $D = \{x \in X : |\{F \in \mathcal{F} : x \in F\}| \geq \aleph_0\}$  is discrete and closed if  $\mathcal{F}$  is a collection of HCP.

Proposition 2.  $\mathcal{H} = \{\cap \mathcal{F}' : \mathcal{F}' \text{ is a finite subcollection of } \mathcal{F}_n\}$  is HCP if  $\mathcal{F}$  is a collection of HCP.

Proposition 3. Let  $(X, \tau)$  have a  $\sigma$ -HCP  $k$ -network. Then  $(X, \tau)$  has a  $\sigma$ -HCP  $k$ -network  $\mathcal{F} = \cup_n \mathcal{F}_n$  such that:

- (i)  $\mathcal{F}_n \subset \mathcal{F}_{n+1}$ ,
- (ii)  $D_n = \{x \in X : |\{F \in \mathcal{F}_n : x \in F\}| \geq \aleph_0\}$  is a discrete closed set and
- (iii) each  $\mathcal{F}_n$  is closed to finite intersections.

### 1. Introduction

All spaces are assumed to be regular  $T_1$  and have  $G_\delta$ -property, and all mappings are assumed to be continuous.

Call closed images of metric spaces *Lašnev spaces* since Lašnev in [5] gave a internal characterization of closed images of metric spaces. Recall that a collection  $\mathcal{F}$  of subsets of a space  $X$  is a (closed)  $k$ -network (Michael in [7]) if whenever  $U$  is open and contains a compact set  $K$ , then  $K \subset \cup \mathcal{C} \subset U$  for some finite subcollection  $\mathcal{C}$  of  $\mathcal{F}$  (and each member of  $\mathcal{F}$  is closed).

Denote ‘hereditarily closure-preserving’ by ‘HCP’. Recall that a collection  $\mathcal{H}$  of subsets of a space  $X$  is HCP if  $\mathcal{H}' \subset \mathcal{H}$  and  $S(H_\alpha) \subset H_\alpha$  for each  $H_\alpha \in \mathcal{H}'$ , then  $\cup\{Cl(S(H_\alpha)) : H_\alpha \in \mathcal{H}'\} = Cl(\cup\{S(H_\alpha) : H_\alpha \in \mathcal{H}'\})$ . In paper [1], Foged proved the following results.

Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a Fréchet space with a  $\sigma$ -HCP  $k$ -network  $\mathcal{F} = \cup_n \mathcal{F}_n$ . Then

- (i)  $D_n = \{x \in X : |\{F \in \mathcal{F}_n : x \in F\}| \geq \aleph_0\}$  is a discrete closed set and
- (ii)  $\{\cap \mathcal{F}' : \mathcal{F}' \text{ is a finite subcollection of } \mathcal{F}_n\}$  is HCP.

And then, by the above results, a characterization of Lašnev spaces is obtained in [1]: A Hausdorff space  $X$  is a Lašnev space iff  $X$  is a Fréchet space with a  $\sigma$ -HCP  $k$ -network.

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Lin in [6] proved that the closed image of  $\aleph$ -spaces has a  $\sigma$ -HCP  $k$ -network, and asks if the natural analogue of Foged's theorem is valid: Is a space  $X$  the closed image of an  $\aleph$ -space iff  $X$  has a  $\sigma$ -HCP  $k$ -network?

Gruenhagen in [2] gave a survey of progress of general metric spaces and metrization and mentioned the above question.

To consider the above question, we construct closed transfinite sequences and prove the above results without the Fréchet condition by the closed transfinite sequences.

**2. A closed transfinite sequence**

Let  $\mathcal{F} = \{F_\alpha : \alpha \in \aleph\}$  be a collection of HCP with a well order index set  $\aleph$ . We assume that each  $F_\alpha \in \mathcal{F}$  is closed throughout this paper. Pick a  $y \in X$ . Let  $\mathcal{F}_y = \{F_\alpha \in \mathcal{F} : y \in F_\alpha\} = \{F_\alpha \in \mathcal{F} : \alpha \in \aleph_y\}$ .

**Construction.**

We construct a sequence of closed sets by transfinite induction on  $\aleph_y$ .

To do it pick a  $\delta < \aleph_y$ . Let  $\omega = \omega_0$  be the least limit ordinal. Then  $\delta = \alpha\omega + n$ . Denote  $F_\delta$  by  $F_n^\alpha$ . Let  $\mathcal{F}^\alpha = \{F_{\alpha\omega+n} : n \in \omega\} = \{F_n^\alpha : n \in \omega\}$  and  $\mathcal{H}_0^\alpha = \cup_{\beta < \alpha} \mathcal{F}^\beta$ . Let  $\mathcal{F}_n^\alpha = \{F_j^\alpha : j < n\}$  and  $\mathcal{H}_n^\alpha = \mathcal{H}_0^\alpha \cup \mathcal{F}_n^\alpha$  for  $n \in N$ .

Let  $O_y = X - \cup\{F_\alpha \in \mathcal{F} : y \notin F_\alpha\}$  with  $O_y \supset O_1 \supset O_2 \supset \dots$  being a sequence of decreasing open sets and  $\cap_n O_n = \{y\}$ .

A.1. Let  $E_0^0 = \emptyset$ . Take  $\mathcal{F}_0^0 = \{F_0^0\}$ . Let  $E_{1i}^0 = \cup\{F_1^0 \cap F_{\gamma_1} - O_{1+(i+1)} : F_{\gamma_1} \in \mathcal{F}_0^0\}$  for  $i > 1$ . Then  $E_{1i}^0 \subset F_1^0$ ,  $y \notin E_{1i}^0$  and  $E_{1i}^0$  is closed.

A.2. Assume that, for each  $j \leq n$ , there is an  $E_{ji}^0$  such that  $E_{ji}^0 \subset F_j^0$ ,  $y \notin E_{ji}^0$  and  $E_{ji}^0$  is closed for  $i > 1$ . Let

$$D_{n+1i}^0 = F_{n+1}^0 \cap E_{ni+1}^0 = (\cup\{F_{n+1}^0 \cap F_n^0 \cap F_{\gamma_1} - O_{1+(i+1)} : F_{\gamma_1} \in \mathcal{F}_n^0\}) \cup \dots \cup (\cup\{F_{n+1}^0 \cap F_n^0 \cap F_{\gamma_1} \cap \dots \cap F_{\gamma_n} - O_{n+(i+1)} : F_{\gamma_j} \in \mathcal{F}_n^0 \text{ for } 0 < j \leq n\}).$$

Here  $\mathcal{F}^* = \{F_{\gamma_j} : F_{\gamma_j} \in \mathcal{F}_n^0 \text{ for } 0 < j \leq k\}$  expresses that  $\mathcal{F}^*$  is a collection of true  $k$  many pairwise different sets for  $k \leq n$ . It is used always with the same meaning throughout this paper. Then, for  $i > 1$

$$D_{n+1i}^0 = (\cup\{F_{n+1}^0 \cap F_{\gamma_1} \cap F_{\gamma_2} - O_{(1+1)+i} : F_{\gamma_j} \in \mathcal{F}_{n+1}^0 \text{ for } 0 < j \leq 2\}) \cup \dots \cup (\cup\{F_{n+1}^0 \cap F_{\gamma_1} \cap \dots \cap F_{\gamma_{n+1}} - O_{(n+1)+i} : F_{\gamma_j} \in \mathcal{F}_{n+1}^0 \text{ for } 0 < j \leq n+1\}).$$

Let  $D_{n+1i}^{0*} = \cup\{F_{n+1}^0 \cap F_{\gamma_1} - O_{1+i} : F_{\gamma_1} \in \mathcal{F}_{n+1}^0\}$  and  $E_{n+1i}^0 = D_{n+1i}^{0*} \cup D_{n+1i}^0$  for  $i > 1$ . Then  $E_{n+1i}^0 \subset F_{n+1}^0$ ,  $y \notin E_{n+1i}^0$  and  $E_{n+1i}^0$  is closed for  $i > 1$ . Then, for each  $n \in \omega$ , there is an  $E_{ni}^0$  such that  $E_{ni}^0 \subset F_n^0$ ,  $y \notin E_{ni}^0$  and  $E_{ni}^0$  is closed for  $i > 1$  by induction on  $n$ .

Let  $E_i^0 = \cup_{n \in \omega} E_{ni}^0$  for  $i > 1$ . Then  $y \notin E_i^0$  and  $E_i^0$  is closed since  $\mathcal{F}^0$  is HCP.

B.1. Assume, for each  $\beta\omega + n < \alpha\omega$ , there is an  $E_{ni}^\beta$  such that  $E_{ni}^\beta \subset F_n^\beta = F_{\beta\omega+n}$ ,  $y \notin E_{ni}^\beta$  and  $E_{ni}^\beta$  is closed for  $i > 1$ . Here,

$$E_{ni}^\beta = \cup\{(\cup\{F_n^\beta \cap F_{\gamma_1} \cap \dots \cap F_{\gamma_k} - O_{k+i} : F_{\gamma_j} \in \mathcal{H}_n^\beta \text{ for } 0 < j \leq k\}) : k \in N\}.$$

Let  $E_i^\alpha = (\cup_{\beta < \alpha, n < \omega} E_{ni}^\beta)$ . Then  $y \notin E_i^\alpha$  and  $E_i^\alpha$  is closed since  $\mathcal{H}_0^\alpha$  is HCP. Let  $D_{0i}^\alpha = \cup\{(\cup\{F_0^\alpha \cap F_{\gamma_1} \cap \dots \cap F_{\gamma_k} - O_{k+i} : F_{\gamma_j} \in \mathcal{H}_0^\alpha \text{ for } 0 < j \leq k\}) : k \in N\}$  for  $i > 1$ .

**Claim. 2.1.**  $F_0^\alpha \cap E_{i+1}^\alpha = D_{0i}^\alpha$  for  $i > 1$ .

*Proof.* To see  $F_0^\alpha \cap E_{i+1}^\alpha \supset D_{0i}^\alpha$ , take  $I_k = F_0^\alpha \cap F_{\gamma_1} \cap \dots \cap F_{\gamma_k} - O_{k+i} \subset D_{0i}^\alpha$  with  $F_{\gamma_j} \in \mathcal{H}_0^\alpha$  for  $0 < j \leq k$ . Then we may assume  $\gamma_1 < \gamma_2 < \dots < \gamma_k = \gamma\omega + n < \alpha\omega$  since  $F_{\gamma_j}$  ( $0 < j \leq k$ ) are pairwise different sets. Then  $\gamma < \alpha$  and  $F_{\gamma\alpha+0} = F_0^\alpha$ . Then  $I_k = F_0^\alpha \cap F_n^\gamma \cap F_{\gamma_1} \cap \dots \cap F_{\gamma_{k-1}} - O_{k+i}$ .

Take  $I'_k = F_n^\gamma \cap F_{\gamma_1} \cap \dots \cap F_{\gamma_{k-1}} - O_{(k-1)+(i+1)} = F_n^\gamma \cap F_{\gamma_1} \cap \dots \cap F_{\gamma_{k-1}} - O_{(k-1)+(i+1)}$  with pairwise different  $\{F_{\gamma_j} : 0 < j \leq k-1\} \subset \mathcal{H}_n^\gamma$  and  $F_n^\gamma \notin \mathcal{H}_n^\gamma$ . Then  $I'_k \subset E_{ni+1}^\gamma$ . Then we have proved  $I_k = F_0^\alpha \cap I'_k \subset F_0^\alpha \cap E_{ni+1}^\gamma \subset E_{i+1}^\alpha$ .

To see  $F_0^\alpha \cap E_{i+1}^\alpha \subset D_{0i}^\alpha$ , take  $I_k = F_0^\alpha \cap F_n^\gamma \cap F_{\gamma_1} \cap \dots \cap F_{\gamma_k} - O_{k+(i+1)} \subset F_0^\alpha \cap E_{ni+1}^\gamma$ . Then  $\gamma_1 < \gamma_2 < \dots < \gamma_k < \gamma\omega + n < \alpha\omega + 0$ . Let  $\gamma_{k+1} = \gamma\omega + n$ . Then  $F_{\gamma_j} \in \mathcal{H}_0^\alpha$  for  $0 < j \leq k+1$  and  $F_0^\alpha \notin \mathcal{H}_0^\alpha$ . Then  $I_k = F_0^\alpha \cap F_{\gamma_1} \cap \dots \cap F_{\gamma_k} \cap F_{\gamma_{k+1}} - O_{(k+1)+i} \subset D_{0i}^\alpha$ . Then  $F_0^\alpha \cap E_{i+1}^\alpha \subset D_{0i}^\alpha$ .  $\square$

Continoued transfinite induction B. Then  $F_0^\alpha \cap E_{i+1}^\alpha = D_{0i}^\alpha$  is closed and  $y \notin D_{0i}^\alpha$  by Claim 2.1. On the other hand,  $y \notin F_0^\alpha \cap F_{\gamma_1} - O_{1+i}$  and  $F_0^\alpha \cap F_{\gamma_1} - O_{1+i}$  is a closed subset of  $F_{\gamma_1}$  for  $F_{\gamma_1} \in \mathcal{H}_0^\alpha$ . Then  $D_{0i}^{\alpha*} = \cup\{F_0^\alpha \cap F_{\gamma_1} - O_{1+i} : F_{\gamma_1} \in \mathcal{H}_0^\alpha\}$  is closed in  $X$  for  $i > 1$  since  $\mathcal{H}_0^\alpha$  is HCP. Let  $E_{0i}^\alpha = D_{0i}^{\alpha*} \cup D_{0i}^\alpha$  for  $i > 1$ . Then  $E_{0i}^\alpha \subset F_0^\alpha$ ,  $y \notin E_{0i}^\alpha$  and  $E_{0i}^\alpha$  is closed for  $i > 1$ .

B.2. Assume that, for each  $j \leq n$ , there is an  $E_{ji}^\alpha$  such that  $E_{ji}^\alpha \subset F_j^\alpha = F_{\alpha\omega+j}$ ,  $y \notin E_{ji}^\alpha$  and  $E_{ji}^\alpha$  is closed for  $i > 1$ . Let

$$\begin{aligned} & D_{n+1i}^\alpha \\ &= F_{n+1}^\alpha \cap E_{ni+1}^\alpha \\ &= \cup\{\cup\{F_{n+1}^\alpha \cap F_n^\alpha \cap F_{\gamma_1} \cap \dots \cap F_{\gamma_k} - O_{k+(i+1)} : F_{\gamma_j} \in \mathcal{H}_n^\alpha \text{ for } 0 < j \leq k\} : k \in N\} \\ &= \cup\{\cup\{F_{n+1}^\alpha \cap F_{\gamma_1} \cap \dots \cap F_{\gamma_{k+1}} - O_{(k+1)+i} : F_{\gamma_j} \in \mathcal{H}_{n+1}^\alpha \text{ for } 0 < j \leq k+1\} : k \in N\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $D_{n+1i}^\alpha$  is closed and  $y \notin D_{n+1i}^\alpha$  since  $E_{ni+1}^\alpha$  is closed with  $y \notin E_{ni+1}^\alpha$  for  $i > 1$ . Let  $D_{n+1i}^{\alpha*} = \cup\{F_{n+1}^\alpha \cap F_{\gamma_1} - O_{1+i} : F_{\gamma_1} \in \mathcal{H}_{n+1}^\alpha\}$  for  $i > 1$ . Then  $D_{n+1i}^{\alpha*}$  is closed with  $y \notin D_{n+1i}^{\alpha*}$  since  $F_{n+1}^\alpha \cap F_{\gamma_1} - O_{1+i} \subset F_{\gamma_1}$ ,  $F_{\gamma_1} \in \mathcal{H}_{n+1}^\alpha$  and  $\mathcal{H}_{n+1}^\alpha$  is HCP. Let  $E_{n+1i}^\alpha = D_{n+1i}^{\alpha*} \cup D_{n+1i}^\alpha$  for  $i > 1$ . Then  $E_{n+1i}^\alpha \subset F_{n+1}^\alpha$ ,  $y \notin E_{n+1i}^\alpha$  and  $E_{n+1i}^\alpha$  is closed for  $i > 1$ . Then, for each  $n \in \omega$ , there is an  $E_{ni}^\alpha$  such that  $E_{ni}^\alpha \subset F_n^\alpha$ ,  $y \notin E_{ni}^\alpha$  and  $E_{ni}^\alpha$  is closed for  $i > 1$  by induction on  $n$ .

Then, by transfinite induction on  $\aleph_y$ , there is an  $E_{ni}^\alpha$  such that  $E_{ni}^\alpha \subset F_{\alpha\omega+n}$ ,  $y \notin E_{ni}^\alpha$  and  $E_{ni}^\alpha$  is closed for each  $\gamma = \alpha\omega + n < \aleph_y$ . So we have the following proposition.

**Proposition 2.2.** *Let  $y \in X$  and  $\{O_n : n \in N\}$  be a sequence of decreasing open sets with  $\bigcap_n O_n = \{y\}$ . Let  $\mathcal{F}_y = \{F_\alpha \in \mathcal{F} : \alpha \in \aleph_y\}$  be HCP. Then, for each  $\gamma = \alpha\omega + n < \aleph_y$ , there is an  $E_{ni}^\alpha$  such that  $E_{ni}^\alpha \subset F_{\alpha\omega+n}$ ,  $y \notin E_{ni}^\alpha$  and  $E_{ni}^\alpha$  is closed. Here  $E_{ni}^\alpha = \bigcup\{\bigcup\{F_n^\alpha \cap F_{\gamma_1} \cap \dots \cap F_{\gamma_k} - O_{k+i} : F_{\gamma_j} \in \mathcal{H}_n^\alpha \text{ for } 0 < j \leq k\} : k \in N\}$  for  $i > 1$  such that  $F_{\gamma_1}, \dots, F_{\gamma_k}$  are pairwise different for  $k \in N$ .*

**3. Properties of collections of HCP**

Let  $\mathcal{F}_y = \{F_\alpha \in \mathcal{F} : y \in F_\alpha\} = \{F_\alpha \in \mathcal{F} : \alpha \in \aleph_y\}$ .

**Proposition 3.1.** *Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be HCP. Then  $D(\aleph) = \{x \in X : |\mathcal{F}_x| \geq \aleph\}$  is closed for each  $\aleph \geq \aleph_0$ .*

*Proof.* Pick a  $y \in X - D(\aleph)$ . Then  $|\mathcal{F}_y| < \aleph$ . Let  $O_y = X - \bigcup\{F_\alpha \in \mathcal{F} : y \notin F_\alpha\}$ . Then, for each  $x \in O_y$  and each  $F_\alpha \in \mathcal{F}_x$ ,  $x \in O_y \cap F_\alpha$  implies  $y \in F_\alpha$ . Then  $F_\alpha \in \mathcal{F}_y$ . This implies  $\mathcal{F}_x \subset \mathcal{F}_y$  and  $|\mathcal{F}_x| \leq |\mathcal{F}_y| < \aleph$ . So  $x \notin D(\aleph)$  and  $O_y \cap D(\aleph) = \emptyset$ . Then  $D(\aleph)$  is closed. □

**Proposition 3.2.** *Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be HCP. Then  $D = D(\aleph_0)$  is a discrete closed set.*

*Proof.* Pick a  $y \in D$ . We prove that there is an open set  $O$  with  $O \cap D = \{y\}$ . To do it assume  $\mathcal{F}_y = \mathcal{F}$  and  $D \subset O_y = X - \bigcup\{F_\alpha \in \mathcal{F} : y \notin F_\alpha\}$ . Let  $O_y \supset O_1 \supset O_2 \supset \dots$  be a sequence of decreasing open sets with  $\bigcap_n O_n = \{y\}$ . We prove it by transfinite induction on  $\aleph_y = |\mathcal{F}_y|$ .

A.  $D$  is a discrete closed set when  $\mathcal{F} = \{F_n : n < \aleph_0\}$ .

To prove A, note Proposition 2.2. Then, for each  $n \in \omega$ , there is an  $E_{ni}^0$  such that  $E_{ni}^0 \subset F_n$ ,  $y \notin E_{ni}^0$  and  $E_{ni}^0$  is closed for  $i > 1$ . Let  $E_i^0 = \bigcup_{n \in \aleph_0} E_{ni}^0$ . Then  $y \notin E_i^0$  and  $E_i^0$  is closed since  $\mathcal{F}$  is HCP.

Suppose  $y \in Cl(D - \{y\})$ . Pick an  $x \in D - \{y\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{F}_x = \{F_n \in \mathcal{F} : x \in F_n\}$  is infinite. Then  $\mathcal{F}_x = \{F_n : n \in N_1\}$  with  $i_n < i_{n+1}$  if both  $i_n$  and  $i_{n+1}$  in  $N_1$ . Here  $N_1$  is an infinite subset of  $N$ . Let  $x \in O_m$  and  $x \notin O_{m+1}$ . Pick an  $n$  with  $k = i_n \geq n > m + 2$ . Then  $O_{(n-1)+i} \subset O_{m+1}$ . So  $x \notin O_{(n-1)+i}$ . Then  $x \in I = F_k \cap F_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap F_{i_{n-1}} - O_{(n-1)+i} \subset E_{ki}^0 \subset E_i^0$ . So  $D - \{y\} \subset E_i^0$ . Then  $y \in Cl(D - \{y\}) \subset Cl(E_i^0) = E_i^0$  for  $i > 1$ . It is a contradiction to  $y \notin E_i^0$  for  $i > 1$ . So  $y \notin Cl(D - \{y\})$  for each  $y \in D$ . Then  $D$  is a discrete closed set if  $\mathcal{F} = \{F_n : n < \aleph_0\}$ .

B. Assume that  $D$  is a discrete closed set for each  $\aleph < \aleph_y$  when  $\mathcal{F} = \{F_\alpha : \alpha < \aleph\}$ . Then, by the assumption of induction, it is easy to see the following claims.

**Claim 3.3.** *If  $x \in D - \{y\}$  with  $|\mathcal{F}_x| = \aleph < \aleph_y$ , then there is an open set  $O_x$  such that  $x \in O_x$  and  $O_x \cap D$  is a discrete closed set.*

*Proof.* Let  $O_x = X - \bigcup\{F_\alpha \in \mathcal{F} : x \notin F_\alpha\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{F}_t \subset \mathcal{F}_x$  for each  $t \in O_x \cap D$ . Then  $|\mathcal{F}_t| \leq |\mathcal{F}_x| = \aleph < \aleph_y$ . Then, by the assumption of induction,  $O_x \cap D$  is a discrete closed set in subspace  $O_x$ . □

**Claim 3.4.**  $X^\alpha = \{x \in D : |\mathcal{F}_x^\alpha| \geq \aleph_0\}$  is a discrete closed subset of  $X$  if  $\alpha < \aleph_y$

and  $\mathcal{F}^\alpha = \{F_\beta \in \mathcal{F} : \beta < \alpha\}$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that there is an  $\alpha < \aleph_y$  and a point  $t$  such that  $t$  is a cluster of  $X^\alpha$ . Note  $|\mathcal{F}^\alpha| = |\alpha| = \aleph < \aleph_y$ . Then, by the assumption of induction and Claim 3.3, there is an open set  $O_t$  such that  $t \in O_t$  and  $O_t \cap X^\alpha$  is a discrete closed set, a contradiction.  $\square$

**Continued transfinite induction B.** We prove that  $D$  is a discrete closed set when  $\mathcal{F} = \{F_\alpha : \alpha < \aleph_y\}$ .

To do it pick a  $y \in D$ . Let  $O_y = X - \cup\{F_\alpha \in \mathcal{F} : y \notin F_\alpha\}$ . Then we may assume that  $\mathcal{F}_y = \mathcal{F}$ ,  $D \subset O_y$  and  $O_y \supset O_1 \supset O_2 \supset \dots$  is a decreasing sequence of open sets with  $\cap_n O_n = \{y\}$ . Then, by Proposition 2.2, for each  $\gamma = \alpha\omega + n < \aleph_y$  there is an  $E_{ni}^\alpha$  such that  $E_{ni}^\alpha \subset F_{\alpha\omega+n}$ ,  $y \notin E_{ni}^\alpha$  and  $E_{ni}^\alpha$  is closed.

Let  $\mathcal{F}^\alpha = \{F_{\alpha\omega+n} : n \in \omega\} = \{F_n^\alpha : n \in \omega\}$  and  $\mathcal{H}^\alpha = \cup_{\beta < \alpha} \mathcal{F}^\beta$  just as Proposition 2.2. Let  $\mathcal{F}_x^\alpha = \{F_n^\alpha \in \mathcal{F}^\alpha : x \in F_n^\alpha\}$  and  $\mathcal{H}_x^\alpha = \{F_\gamma \in \mathcal{H}^\alpha : x \in F_\gamma\}$ . Let  $X^\alpha = \{x \in D : |\mathcal{F}_x^\alpha| \geq \aleph_0 \text{ or } |\mathcal{H}_x^\alpha| \geq \aleph_0\}$ . Then  $X^\alpha$  is a discrete closed set by Claim 3.4. Let  $X_n^\alpha = X^\alpha \cap F_n^\alpha$  for each  $F_n^\alpha \in \mathcal{F}^\alpha$ . Let  $G_{ni}^\alpha = E_{ni}^\alpha \cup X_n^\alpha$ . Then  $G_{ni}^\alpha \subset F_n^\alpha$ ,  $y \notin G_{ni}^\alpha$  and  $G_{ni}^\alpha$  is closed for  $i > 1$ . Let  $G_i = \cup_{\alpha < \aleph, n < \omega} G_{ni}^\alpha$ . Then  $y \notin G_i$  and  $G_i$  is closed since  $\mathcal{F}$  is HCP.

On the other hand, pick an  $x \in D - \{y\}$ . Let  $x \in O_m$  and  $x \notin O_{m+1}$ . Let  $\mathcal{F}_x = \{F \in \mathcal{F} : x \in F\} = \{F_{\beta_0\omega+n_0}, F_{\beta_1\omega+n_1}, \dots, F_{\beta_\gamma\omega+n_\gamma}, \dots\}$  as a subsequence of the sequence  $\mathcal{F}$ .

Case 1: there is an  $\mathcal{F}^\alpha$  such that  $\mathcal{F}^\alpha \cap \mathcal{F}_x$  is infinite. Then  $x \in X^\alpha \cap F_n^\alpha = X_n^\alpha \subset G_i$  for each  $i > 1$ . Especially  $x \in G_3$ .

Case 2:  $\mathcal{F}^\alpha \cap \mathcal{F}_x$  is finite for each  $\alpha < \aleph_y$ . Consider  $\mathcal{F}'_x = \{F_{\beta_j\omega+n_j} : j \in N\}$ . Denote  $F_{\beta_j\omega+n_j}$  by  $F_{\gamma_j}$  for  $j \in N$ . Let  $k > m + 2$ . Then  $k - 1 > m + 1$  and  $\gamma_1 < \gamma_2 < \dots < \gamma_k < \dots$  with  $F_{\gamma_j} \in \mathcal{H}_{n_k}^{\beta_k}$  for  $j < k$  and  $F_{\gamma_k} \notin \mathcal{H}_{n_k}^{\beta_k}$  by the definition of  $\mathcal{H}_n^\alpha$ . Then  $x \in F_{n_k}^{\beta_k} \cap (F_{\gamma_1} \cap \dots \cap F_{\gamma_{k-1}}) - O_{(k-1)+(i+1)} \subset E_{n_k i+1}^{\beta_k} \subset G_{i+1}$  for each  $i > 1$ . Especially  $x \in G_3$ .

Then  $D - \{y\} \subset G_3$ . This implies  $y \notin Cl(D - \{y\})$  since  $y \notin G_i$  for each  $i > 1$ . Then  $D$  is a discrete closed set.  $\square$

Let  $\mathcal{F}_1 \wedge \mathcal{F}_2 = \{F_\alpha \cap F_\beta : F_\alpha \in \mathcal{F}_1 \text{ and } F_\beta \in \mathcal{F}_2\}$ . The following Proposition 3.5 was used frequently in other papers.

**Proposition 3.5.**  $\mathcal{F}_1 \wedge \mathcal{F}_2$  is HCP if both  $\mathcal{F}_1$  and  $\mathcal{F}_2$  are HCP.

Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a collection of HCP and  $\mathcal{F}'_1 = \mathcal{F}$ . Let  $\mathcal{F}'_n = \mathcal{F}'_{n-1} \wedge \mathcal{F}$  for  $n \geq 2$ . Denote  $F_{\gamma_1} \cap F_{\gamma_2} \cap \dots \cap F_{\gamma_k}$  by  $F(\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_k)$  if  $\gamma_1 < \gamma_2 < \dots < \gamma_k$  for  $k \in N$ . Let  $\mathcal{F}'_n = \{F(\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_n) \in \mathcal{F}'_n : F(\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_n) \notin \cup_{i < n} \mathcal{F}'_i\}$  be a collection of pairwise different sets for  $n \geq 2$ .

**Proposition 3.6.** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a collection of HCP and  $\mathcal{H} = \cup_n \mathcal{F}_n$  be the collection of all finite intersections of  $\mathcal{F}$ . Then  $\mathcal{H}$  is HCP.

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{H}_n = \{H(\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_n) : H(\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_n) \subset F(\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_n) \in \mathcal{F}_n\}$  and  $H_n = \cup \mathcal{H}_n$ . Then each  $H_n$  is closed by Proposition 3.5. Let  $H = \cup_n H_n$ . We prove that  $H$  is closed. To do it take a  $y \notin H$ .

Case 1:  $y \in X - D$ .  $D$  is a closed discrete set by Proposition 3.2. Then there is an open set  $O$  with  $y \in O$  and  $O \subset X - \cup\{F_\alpha \in \mathcal{F} : y \notin F_\alpha\}$ . Let  $\mathcal{F}_y = \{F \in \mathcal{F} : y \in F\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{F}_y = \{F_i : i \leq n(y)\}$  since  $y \in X - D$ . Then  $F \cap O \neq \emptyset$  implies  $F \in \mathcal{F}_y$ . So  $F \notin \mathcal{F}_y$  and  $F \cap F_i \in \mathcal{F}_2$  imply  $(F \cap F_i) \cap O = \emptyset$ . Then  $H(\gamma_1, \gamma_2) \cap O \neq \emptyset$  and  $H(\gamma_1, \gamma_2) \subset F_{\gamma_1} \cap F_{\gamma_2}$  imply that both  $F_{\gamma_1}$  and  $F_{\gamma_2}$  are in  $\mathcal{F}_y$ . Let  $\mathcal{H}(i, y) = \{H \in \mathcal{H}_i : y \in H\}$ . Then there is a  $k$  such that  $\mathcal{H}(i, y) = \emptyset$  for  $i \geq k$  and  $\mathcal{H}(i, y)$  is finite for  $i < k$ . This implies  $y \notin Cl(H)$ .

Case 2:  $y \in D$ . Then there is an open set  $O$  such that  $y \in O$ ,  $D \cap Cl(O) = \{y\}$  and  $Cl(O) \subset X - \cup\{F_\alpha \in \mathcal{F} : y \notin F_\alpha\}$  by Proposition 3.2. Let  $O \supset O_1 \supset O_2 \supset \dots$  be a decreasing sequence of open sets with  $\cap_n O_n = \{y\}$  and  $(\cup_{i \leq n} H_i) \cap Cl(O_n) = \emptyset$  since  $y \notin H_n$  and each  $H_n$  is closed. Let  $\mathcal{F} = \{F_\alpha : \alpha < \aleph_y\}$ . Then, by Proposition 2.2, for each  $\gamma = \alpha\omega + n < \aleph_y$  there is an  $E_{ni}^\alpha$  such that  $E_{ni}^\alpha \subset F_{\alpha\omega+n}$ ,  $y \notin E_{ni}^\alpha$  and  $E_{ni}^\alpha$  is closed. Here, for  $i > 1$ ,

$$E_{ni}^\alpha = \cup\{(\cup\{F_n^\alpha \cap F_{\gamma_1} \cap \dots \cap F_{\gamma_k} - O_{k+i} : F_{\gamma_j} \in \mathcal{H}_n^\alpha \text{ for } 0 < j \leq k\}) : k \in N\}.$$

Then we assume  $\gamma_1 < \gamma_2 < \dots < \gamma_k < \alpha\omega + n = \gamma_{k+1}$  for each  $k \in N$ . Take a  $H(\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_{k+1})$  from  $\mathcal{H}_{n+1}$ . Then we have  $H(\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_{k+1}) \subset H_{k+1}$ . This implies  $H(\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_{k+1}) \cap O_{k+1} = \emptyset$ . Now we take  $I = F_n^\alpha \cap F_{\gamma_1} \cap \dots \cap F_{\gamma_k} - O_{k+i}$ . Then  $H(\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_{k+1}) \subset I \subset E_{ni}^\alpha$  for  $i > 1$ . Then  $\cup_{n>1} H_n \subset \cup_{\alpha, k} E_{ki}^\alpha = E_i$  and  $E_i$  is closed by Proposition 2.2. So  $y \notin E_i = Cl(E_i) \supset Cl(\cup_{n>1} H_n)$ .

On the other hand,  $y \notin H'_1 = \cup\{F_\alpha - O_1 : F_\alpha \in \mathcal{F}\}$  and  $H'_1$  is closed since  $\mathcal{F}$  is HCP. Then  $y \notin H'_1 \supset H_1$ . So  $y \notin Cl(H)$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.7.** *Let  $(X, \tau)$  have a  $\sigma$ -HCP  $k$ -network. Then  $(X, \tau)$  has a  $\sigma$ -HCP  $k$ -network  $\mathcal{F} = \cup_n \mathcal{F}_n$  such that:*

1.  $\mathcal{F}_n \subset \mathcal{F}_{n+1}$ ,
2. each  $D_n = \{x \in X : |\{F \in \mathcal{F}_n : x \in F\}| \geq \aleph_0\}$  is a discrete closed set and
3. each  $\mathcal{F}_n$  is closed to finite intersections.

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