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## ABOUT WEIGHT PROPERTIES OF SPACES<sup>1</sup>

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### ABSTRACT

In this paper, the new notion of an  $\mathcal{A}$ -space is introduced. A positive answer to a question of Arhangel'skii and Bella is given.

## 1 Introduction

In this paper, a space is meant to be a regular topological space. The terminology from [11] is used. The weight of a space  $X$  is denoted by  $w(X)$ . A family  $\mathcal{S}$  of subsets of a space  $X$  is a network for  $X$  if for any point  $x \in X$  and any neighborhood  $U$  of the point  $x$  there exists an element  $P \in \mathcal{S}$  such that  $x \in P \subseteq U$  (see [1]). The network weight of a space  $X$  is the smallest cardinal number of the form  $|\mathcal{S}|$ , where  $\mathcal{S}$  is a network for  $X$  and is denoted by  $nw(X)$ .

A remainder of a Tychonoff space  $X$  is the subspace  $Y \setminus X$  of a Tychonoff extension  $Y$  of  $X$ . The space  $Y$  is an extension of  $X$  if  $X$  is a dense subspace of  $Y$ .

This paper considers what kind of remainders a metric space can have. Distinct properties of remainders were studied in [3–7, 12].

By  $\mathcal{A}$ , the class of spaces with the following property is denoted:

( $\alpha$ ) For any closed subspace  $Y$  of a space  $X$  we have  $nw(Y) = w(Y)$ .

The main result of the present paper is the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $X \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $Y$  be a dense metrizable subspace of the space  $X$ . Then  $X \setminus Y \in \mathcal{A}$  and in particular  $nw(X \setminus Y) = w(X \setminus Y)$ .*

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In particular, the following assertion contains a positive answer to Question 2.15 from [6].

**Corollary 2.** *If  $X$  is a compactification of a metrizable space  $Y$ , then  $X \setminus Y \in \mathcal{A}$  and in particular  $nw(X \setminus Y) = w(X \setminus Y)$ .*

## 2 On the class $\mathcal{A}$

In this section, some notions are listed that were introduced in [2, 9, 10, 13].

A sequence  $\{U_n : n \in \omega\}$  of open subsets of a space  $X$  is called a *compact sequence* if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (S1)  $\emptyset \neq U_{n+1} \subseteq cl_X U_{n+1} \subseteq U_n$  for any  $n \in \omega$ ;
- (S2) Every sequence  $\{x_n \in U_n : n \in \omega\}$  has an accumulation point in  $X$ ;
- (S3)  $\bigcap \{U_n : n \in \omega\}$  is a compact set.

Let  $X$  be a space,  $\gamma = \{\gamma_n = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in A_n\} : n \in \omega\}$  be a sequence of families of open subsets of  $X$ , and let  $\pi = \{\pi_n : A_{n+1} \rightarrow A_n : n \in \omega\}$  be a sequence of mappings. A sequence  $\alpha = \{\alpha_n : n \in \omega\}$  is called a *c-sequence* if  $\alpha_n \in A_n$  and  $\pi_n(\alpha_{n+1}) = \alpha_n$  for every  $n$ . Let  $H(\alpha) = \bigcap \{U_{\alpha_n} : n \in \omega\}$ . A *c-sequence*  $\alpha$  is called *marked* if  $H(\alpha)$  is a non-empty set. Consider the following conditions:

- (SC1)  $X = \bigcup \{U_\beta : \beta \in A_n\}$  for each  $n \in \omega$ ;
- (SC2)  $\bigcup \{U_\beta : \beta \in \pi_n^{-1}(\alpha)\} = \bigcup \{cl_X U_\beta : \beta \in \pi_n^{-1}(\alpha)\} = U_\alpha$  for all  $\alpha \in A_n$  and  $n \in \omega$ ;
- (SC3) ) For any marked *c-sequence*  $\alpha = \{\alpha_n \in A_n : n \in \omega\}$ , the sequence  $\{U_{\alpha_n} : n \in \omega\}$

is compact;

- (SC4) any *c-sequence* is marked.

Sequences  $\gamma$  and  $\pi$  are called an *A-sieve* if they possess Properties (SC1) and (SC2). A space  $X$  is called *sieve-complete* if there exists an *A-sieve* with Properties (SC3) and (SC4). Any Čech-complete space is sieve-complete [9, 10, 13].

A space  $X$  is called an *A(k)-space* or a *monotonically p-space* if there exists an *A-sieve* with Property (SC3) [9, 10, 13].

A space  $X$  is called a *p-space* if  $X$  is a Tychonoff space and in some compactification  $bX$  of  $X$  there exists a sequence of open families  $\gamma = \{\gamma_n : n \in \omega\}$  such that  $x \in \bigcap \{\gamma_n(x) : n \in \mathbb{N}\} \subseteq X$  for each point  $x \in X$ , where  $\gamma_n(x)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , is the star of the point  $x$  (see [2]). Every *p-space* is an *A(k)-space* [9, 10, 13].

By virtue of some results from [2, 10], one obtains:

**Theorem 3** (see [2]). *If  $X$  is a p-space, then  $X \in \mathcal{A}$ .*

**Theorem 4** (see [10]). *If  $X$  is an A(k)-space, then  $X \in \mathcal{A}$ .*

**Proposition 5.** *Assume that for each point  $x \in X$  there exist an open set  $U(x)$  and a subspace  $Y(x)$  such that  $Y(x) \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $x \in U(x) \subseteq Y(x)$ . Then  $X \in \mathcal{A}$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $\mathcal{S}$  be a network of the space  $X$ . Then there exists a subset  $L \subseteq X$  such that  $|L| \leq |\mathcal{S}|$  and  $\bigcup \{U(x) : x \in L\} = X$ . Then  $w(Y(x)) = nw(Y(x)) \leq |\mathcal{S}|$  and in  $U(x)$  there exists an open base  $\mathcal{B}(x)$  of the cardinality  $|\mathcal{B}(x)| \leq |\mathcal{S}|$ . Then  $\mathcal{B} = \bigcup \{\mathcal{B}(x) : x \in L\}$  is a base for  $X$  and  $|\mathcal{B}| \leq |\mathcal{S}|$ . Hence  $w(X) \leq nw(X)$ . The proof is complete.

**Corollary 6.** *If  $Y$  is an open subspace of a space  $X$  and  $X \in \mathcal{A}$ , then  $Y \in \mathcal{A}$ .*

## 3 The main results

**Theorem 7.** *Let  $X \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $Y$  be a dense subspace of the space  $X$ , and in  $X$  there exists*

an open point-countable family  $\mathcal{B}$  which forms a base for  $X$  in the points of the set  $Y$ . Then  $X \setminus Y \in \mathcal{A}$ .

**Proof.** Fix a closed subspace  $Z$  of the space  $X \setminus Y$ . Let  $\mathcal{S}$  be a network of  $Z$  and  $\tau = nw(Z) = |\mathcal{S}|$ . For each  $L \in \mathcal{S}$  fix a point  $z_L \in L$ . Let  $D = \{z_L : L \in \mathcal{S}\}$ . Put  $\mathcal{B}_1 = \{U \in \mathcal{B} : U \cap D \neq \emptyset\}$ ,  $X_1 = cl_X Z$  and  $Y_1 = Y \cap X_1$ . Obviously  $|\mathcal{B}_1| \leq \tau$  and  $\mathcal{B}_1$  is a base for  $X_1$  at the points of the set  $Y_1$ . Hence  $\tau = nw(Z) \leq nw(X_1) \leq \tau + |\mathcal{B}_1| = \tau$  and  $w(Z) \leq w(X_1) = nw(X_1) \leq \tau = nw(Z)$ . Therefore  $X \setminus Y \in \mathcal{A}$ . The proof is complete.

Theorem 1 follows from the following assertion:

**Corollary 8.** *Let  $X \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $Y$  be a dense subspace of the space  $X$  and  $Y$  be a space with a  $\sigma$ -disjoint base. Then  $X \setminus Y \in \mathcal{A}$ .*

**Theorem 9.** *Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a perfect mapping of a completely regular space  $X$  onto a space  $Y$ . If  $Y \in \mathcal{A}$ , then  $X \in \mathcal{A}$ .*

**Proof.** It is sufficient to prove that  $w(X) \leq nw(X)$ . Let  $\mathcal{S}$  be a network of  $X$  and  $\tau = nw(X) = |\mathcal{S}|$ . Since  $nw(Y) \leq nw(X)$ , one obtains  $w(Y) \leq \tau$ . Let  $\beta X$  be the Stone-Ćech compactification of the space  $X$ . Denote by  $\{(H_\alpha, F_\alpha) : \alpha \in M\}$  the family of all ordered pairs  $(H, F)$ , where  $H \in \mathcal{S}$  and  $F \in \mathcal{S}$ , such that  $cl_{\beta X} H \cap cl_{\beta X} F = \emptyset$ . For each  $\alpha \in M$ , a continuous function  $g_\alpha : X \rightarrow I = [0, 1]$  is fixed such that  $H_\alpha \subseteq g_\alpha^{-1}(0)$  and  $F_\alpha \subseteq g_\alpha^{-1}(1)$ . Let  $g : X \rightarrow Z \subseteq I^M$  be defined, where  $Z = g(X)$  and  $g(x) = (g_\alpha(x) : \alpha \in M)$  for each  $x \in X$ . The mappings  $g$  is continuous and one-to-one. By construction  $w(Z) \leq |M| = \tau$ . Now the mapping  $\varphi : X \rightarrow Y \times Z$  is considered, where  $\varphi(x) = (f(x), g(x))$  for each  $x \in X$ . By virtue of Theorem 3.7.9 from [11], the mapping  $\varphi$  is a one-to-one perfect mapping of the space  $X$  onto the subspace  $\varphi(X)$  of  $Y \times Z$ . Thus  $w(X) \leq w(Y) + w(Z) \leq \tau$ . The proof is complete.

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## ОТНОСНО ТЕГЛОВИТЕ СВОЙСТВА НА ПРОСТРАНСТВОТА<sup>4</sup>

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