

CONCERNING TWO COVERING PROPERTIES

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In this contribution we shall consider the following properties of topological spaces:

1° a space X has a *closure-preserving cover* of compact sets, i.e., there exists a family $\{C_i: i \in I\}$ of compact subsets of X such that $\bigcup \{C_i: i \in I\} = X$ and $\bigcup \{C_i: i \in J\}$ is closed in X for each $J \subset I$;

2° a space X has a *hereditarily closure-preserving cover* of compact sets, i.e., there exists a family $\{C_i: i \in I\}$ of compact subsets of X such that $\bigcup \{C_i: i \in I\} = X$ and $\overline{\bigcup \{D_i: i \in I\}} = \bigcup \{\bar{D}_i: i \in I\}$, where $D_i \subset C_i$ for each $i \in I$.

Clearly, 2° implies 1°.

Property 1° was introduced by Tamano [9] and it was further studied by Potoczny [6], [7] and [8] and by the author [11] and [12].

Each space considered in this paper is assumed to be completely regular and each map is assumed to be continuous. For the topological background we refer to Engelking [1].

First draft of this paper has been sent to Proceedings of Japan Academy in June 1971 and its results were quoted, e.g., by Morita [5]. However, as there was much delay in dealing with it on the part of Proceedings, the paper has been eventually withdrawn and this is a new version made up to date only.

THEOREM 1. *Each σ -compact space has a closure-preserving cover of compact sets.*

Proof. Let X be σ -compact. Then $X = \bigcup \{C_n: n \geq 1\}$, where each C_n is a compact subset of X . Let us set $C'_n = \bigcup \{C_k: k \leq n\}$. Then it is easy to verify that $\{C'_n: n \geq 1\}$ is a closure-preserving cover of X of compact sets.

THEOREM 2. *Each locally compact paracompact space has a hereditarily closure-preserving cover of compact sets.*

Proof. Let X be locally compact and paracompact. Then X has a locally finite closed cover consisting of compact sets. Since each locally finite family of sets is hereditarily closure-preserving, the theorem follows.

Let E be a closed subset of X . By $E^{(1)}$ we denote the set of all points $x \in E$ such that $E \cap \bar{U}$ is not compact for any neighbourhood U of x in X . We set $X^{(0)} = X$, $X^{(\alpha+1)} = (X^{(\alpha)})^{(1)}$ and $X^{(\alpha)} = \bigcap \{X^{(\beta)} : \beta < \alpha\}$ for limit ordinal α . A space X is said to be *C-scattered* if $X^{(\alpha)} = 0$ for some ordinal α . *C-scattered* spaces were studied in [10] (cf. also [11] and [12]).

THEOREM 3. *Let X be a C-scattered space such that $X - X^{(\alpha)}$ is paracompact for each ordinal α . Then X has a closure-preserving cover of compact sets.*

Hence, if X is *C-scattered* and hereditarily paracompact, then X has a closure-preserving cover of compact sets.

Before the proof of Theorem 3 we prove two lemmas.

LEMMA 1. *Let X be a paracompact space such that for a locally compact closed subset Z of X the subspace $X - Z$ of X has a closure-preserving cover of compact sets. Then X has a closure-preserving cover of compact sets.*

Proof. Let X be a paracompact space, let Z be a locally compact closed subset of X , and let $\{C_i : i \in I\}$ be a closure-preserving cover of $X - Z$ consisting of compact sets. There exists a locally finite family $\{U_t : t \in T\}$ of open sets in X such that $Z \subset \bigcup \{U_t : t \in T\}$ and $Z \cap \bar{U}_t$ is compact for each $t \in T$. We set $Y = X - \bigcup \{U_t : t \in T\}$ and $C'_i = C_i \cap Y$ for each $i \in I$. Then Y is a closed subset of X and $\{C'_i : i \in I\}$ is a closure-preserving cover of Y consisting of compact sets. We set $C_{t,i} = (\bar{U}_t \cap Z) \cup (\bar{U}_t \cap C_i)$, where $t \in T$ and $i \in I$. Clearly, each $C_{t,i}$ is compact. It remains to prove that the family

$$\mathcal{A} = \{C'_i : i \in I\} \cup \{C_{t,i} : t \in T \text{ and } i \in I\}$$

is a closure-preserving cover of X . Clearly, \mathcal{A} covers X . Let $\mathcal{A}' \subset \mathcal{A}$. Then there exist $I' \subset I$, $T' \subset T$ and $I_t \subset I$, where $t \in T'$, such that

$$\mathcal{A}' = \{C'_i : i \in I'\} \cup \{C_{t,i} : t \in T' \text{ and } i \in I_t\}.$$

Clearly, $\bigcup \{C'_i : i \in I'\}$ is a closed subset of Y and thus it is closed in X . We set $D_t = \bigcup \{C_{t,i} : i \in I_t\}$ for each $t \in T'$. Since the family $\{D_t : t \in T'\}$ is locally finite in X , it is sufficient to point out that D_t is closed in X for each $t \in T'$. Let $t \in T'$. Since $\bigcup \{\bar{U}_t \cap C_i : i \in I_t\}$ is closed in $\bar{U}_t - Z$, it follows that its closure in X is contained in

$$\bigcup \{\bar{U}_t \cap C_i : i \in I_t\} \cup (\bar{U}_t \cap Z).$$

Thus $\bigcup \{C_{t,i} : i \in I_t\}$ is closed in X . Therefore \mathcal{A} is closure-preserving.

LEMMA 2. *Let $\{F_t : t \in T\}$ be a locally finite closed cover of X and let $\{C_{t,i} : i \in I_t\}$ be a closure-preserving cover of F_t consisting of compact sets*

for each $t \in T$. Then $\{C_{i,t}: i \in I_t, t \in T\}$ is a closure-preserving cover of X consisting of compact sets.

The proof being easy is omitted.

Proof of Theorem 3. We proceed by induction with respect to α such that $X^{(\alpha)} = 0$. If $\alpha = 0$, then $X = 0$ and the theorem is true. Let $\alpha = \beta + 1$. Then $X^{(\beta)}$ is a locally compact closed subset of X and, by the inductive assumption, $X - X^{(\beta)}$ has a closure-preserving cover of compact sets. Hence the theorem follows from Lemma 1. Let α be a limit ordinal. Then $\{X - X^{(\beta)}: \beta < \alpha\}$ is an open cover of X . Let $\{F_t: t \in T\}$ be a locally finite closed refinement of $\{X - X^{(\beta)}: \beta < \alpha\}$. Then for each $t \in T$ there exists $\beta_t < \alpha$ such that $F_t^{(\beta_t)} = 0$. It follows from the inductive assumption that F_t has a closure-preserving cover of compact sets for each $t \in T$ and the theorem follows from Lemma 2.

As a corollary to Theorem 3 we have

THEOREM 4. *Each C -scattered metrizable space has a closure-preserving cover of compact sets.*

For scattered spaces one can prove (in the same manner as for C -scattered spaces) the following

THEOREM 5. *Each hereditarily paracompact scattered space has a closure-preserving cover consisting of finite sets.*

THEOREM 6. *Let us assume that there exists a perfect map from a space X onto a space Y . Then X has a closure-preserving cover of compact sets if and only if Y has a closure-preserving cover of compact sets.*

The theorem follows from Lemma 3 and Lemma 4.

LEMMA 3. *Let f be a closed map from a space X onto a space Y and let $\{C_i: i \in I\}$ be a closure-preserving cover of X consisting of compact sets. Then $\{f(C_i): i \in I\}$ is a closure-preserving cover of Y consisting of compact sets.*

Indeed, $f(C_i)$ is compact, since f is continuous. The family $\{f(C_i): i \in I\}$ is closure-preserving, because f is a closed map and f preserves unions (cf. [3]).

LEMMA 4. *Let f be a perfect map from a space X onto a space Y and let $\{C_i: i \in I\}$ be a closure-preserving cover of Y consisting of compact sets. Then $\{f^{-1}(C_i): i \in I\}$ is a closure-preserving cover of X consisting of compact sets.*

Indeed, $f^{-1}(C_i)$ is compact (cf. [1], p. 167). The family $\{f^{-1}(C_i): i \in I\}$ is closure-preserving, because f is continuous and f^{-1} preserves unions.

THEOREM 7. *A space X has a hereditarily closure-preserving cover of compact sets if and only if X is a closed image of a locally compact paracompact space.*

Let us note that closed images of paracompact locally compact spaces were studied by Ishii [2] and Morita [4].

Theorem 7 follows from Theorem 2 and from Lemmas 5 and 6.

LEMMA 5. *Let $\{C_i: i \in I\}$ be a hereditarily closure-preserving cover of X consisting of compact sets. Let us set*

$$X' = \bigcup \{C_i \times \{i\}: i \in I\} \subset X \times I,$$

where I is considered as a discrete space and X' as a subspace of $X \times I$. Then the space X' is paracompact and locally compact and the projection $f: X' \rightarrow X$, defined by setting $f(x, i) = x$, where $x \in C_i$ and $i \in I$, is continuous and closed.

Proof. The space X' is paracompact and locally compact because it is the free union of compact spaces. We claim that f is continuous. Let $E \subset X$. Then

$$f^{-1}(E) = \{(x, i) \in X': x \in E\} = \bigcup \{(E \cap C_i) \times \{i\}: i \in I\}.$$

Hence, if E is a closed subset of X , then the set $f^{-1}(E)$ is closed in X' . We claim that f is closed. Let E be a closed subset of X' . Then $E \cap (C_i \times \{i\})$ is a closed subset of $C_i \times \{i\}$. Let us set $D_i = \{f(x, i): (x, i) \in E\}$. Then D_i is a closed subset of C_i , because $f|(C_i \times \{i\})$ is a homeomorphism. We have

$$\begin{aligned} f(E) &= f\left(\bigcup \{E \cap (C_i \times \{i\}): i \in I\}\right) = \bigcup \{f(E \cap (C_i \times \{i\})): i \in I\} \\ &= \bigcup \{D_i: i \in I\}. \end{aligned}$$

Since the family $\{C_i: i \in I\}$ is hereditarily closure-preserving, it follows that the set $\bigcup \{D_i: i \in I\}$ is closed in X . Hence $f(E)$ is a closed subset of X .

LEMMA 6. *Let f be a closed map from a space X onto a space Y and let $\{C_i: i \in I\}$ be a hereditarily closure-preserving cover of X consisting of compact sets. Then $\{f(C_i): i \in I\}$ is a hereditarily closure-preserving cover of Y consisting of compact sets.*

Proof. Let D_i be a closed subset of $f(C_i)$ and let $E_i = C_i \cap f^{-1}(D_i)$. Then $f(E_i) = D_i$. Since the family $\{C_i: i \in I\}$ is hereditarily closure-preserving and E_i is a closed subset of C_i for each $i \in I$, it follows that the set $\bigcup \{E_i: i \in I\}$ is closed in X . Since the map f is closed, $f(\bigcup \{E_i: i \in I\})$ is closed in Y . However,

$$f\left(\bigcup \{E_i: i \in I\}\right) = \bigcup \{f(E_i): i \in I\} = \bigcup \{D_i: i \in I\}.$$

Hence $\bigcup \{D_i: i \in I\}$ is a closed subset of Y and, therefore, the family $\{f(C_i): i \in I\}$ is hereditarily closure-preserving.

THEOREM 8. *Let $\{C_i: i \in I\}$ be a hereditarily closure-preserving cover of a space X consisting of compact sets. Then for each compact subset C of X there exists a finite subset J of I such that $C \subset \bigcup \{C_i: i \in J\}$.*

Proof. Let X' and f be the same as in Lemma 5 and let C be a compact subset of X . Suppose that C is not contained in the union of any finite subfamily of $\{C_i: i \in I\}$. Then there exist sequences $\{x_n: n \in N\} \subset C$ and $\{C_{i_n}: n \in N\} \subset \{C_i: i \in I\}$ with $x_1 \in C_{i_1}$ and $x_{n+1} \in C_{i_{n+1}} - \bigcup \{C_{i_k}: 1 \leq k \leq n\}$ for each $n \in N$. Since $\{(x_n, i_n): n \in N\}$ is a closed discrete set in X' and the map f is closed, the set $\{f(x_n, i_n): n \in N\} = \{x_{i_n}: n \in N\}$ is discrete and closed in X . It contradicts, however, the compactness of C .

THEOREM 9. *If a space X has a hereditarily closure-preserving cover consisting of paracompact closed subsets of X , then X is paracompact.*

Proof. Let $\{P_i: i \in I\}$ be a hereditarily closure-preserving cover of X , where P_i is a paracompact closed subset of X for each $i \in I$. Let \mathcal{A} be an open cover of X . For each $i \in I$ there exists a locally finite family \mathcal{A}_i of closed subsets of X such that \mathcal{A}_i refines \mathcal{A} and $\bigcup \mathcal{A}_i = P_i$. It is easy to point out that the family $\bigcup \{\mathcal{A}_i: i \in I\}$ is closure-preserving. By the theorem of Michael [3], X is paracompact if and only if each open cover of X has a closure-preserving closed refinement. Hence the theorem follows.

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