

## A REMARK ON $\Theta$ -REGULAR SPACES

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper we give an embedding characterization of  $\theta$ -regularity using the Wallman-type compactification. The productivity of  $\theta$ -regularity and a slight generalization of Nagami's Product Theorem to non-Hausdorff paracompact  $\Sigma$ -spaces we obtain as a corollary.

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### 1. PRELIMINARIES

A filter base  $\Phi$  in a topological space  $X$  has a  $\theta$ -cluster point  $x \in X$  if every closed neighborhood  $H$  of  $x$  and every  $F \in \Phi$  have a nonempty intersection. The filter base  $\Phi$   $\theta$ -converges to its  $\theta$ -limit  $x$  if for every closed neighborhood  $H$  of  $x$  there is  $F \in \Phi$  such that  $F \subseteq H$ . Recall that a topological space  $X$  is said to be  $\theta$ -regular [3] if every filter base in  $X$  with a  $\theta$ -cluster point has a cluster point. A topological space is said to be a  $\Sigma$ -space [1] if there exist locally finite closed collections  $\Phi_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots$  and a cover  $\Gamma$  which consists of closed countably compact sets such that if  $C \in \Gamma$  and  $C \subseteq U$ , where  $U$  is open in  $X$ , then  $C \subseteq F \subseteq U$  for some  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $F \in \Phi_i$ . A topological space is called (semi-) paracompact, if every its open cover has an open ( $\sigma$ -) locally finite refinement. Paracompact spaces are  $\theta$ -regular [4].

Let  $X$  be a topological space with  $\mathfrak{C}$  its closed base which is a lattice (that means  $\emptyset, X \in \mathfrak{C}$  and  $\mathfrak{C}$  contains all its finite unions and intersections). Recall that the Wallman-type [2] or Šanin [6] compactification is defined as the set  $\omega(X, \mathfrak{C}) = X \cup \{y \mid y \text{ is an ultra-}\mathfrak{C} \text{ filter in } X \text{ with no cluster point}\}$ , where the term "ultra- $\mathfrak{C}$ " means maximal among all filters with a base consisting of elements from  $\mathfrak{C}$ . The set  $\omega(X, \mathfrak{C})$  can be topologized by the open base consisting of the sets  $S(U) = U \cup \{y \mid y \in \omega(X, \mathfrak{C}) \setminus X, U \in y\}$  where  $X \setminus U \in \mathfrak{C}$ . If  $\mathfrak{C}$  is the collection of all closed sets in  $X$  then  $\omega(X, \mathfrak{C}) = \omega X$  is the Wallman compactification of  $X$ .

### 2. MAIN RESULTS

Let  $X$  be a topological space with a closed base  $\mathfrak{C}$ . We say that  $\mathfrak{C}$  is balanced if  $\mathfrak{C}$  is a lattice and every  $x \in X$  has a neighborhood base, say  $\delta_x$ , such that  $\text{cl} U \in \mathfrak{C}$  for every  $U \in \delta_x$ . Trivially, the collection  $\mathfrak{C}$  of all closed sets of  $X$  is balanced. Two disjoint sets  $A, B \subseteq X$  are said to be

*point-wise separated* in  $X$  if every  $x \in A$ ,  $y \in B$  have open disjoint neighborhoods. Now, we can state the theorem.

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $X$  be a topological space with a balanced closed base  $\mathfrak{B}$ . The following statements are equivalent.*

- (i)  $X$  is  $\theta$ -regular
- (ii) The sets  $X$ ,  $\omega(X, \mathfrak{B}) \setminus X$  are point-wise separated in  $\omega(X, \mathfrak{B})$ .
- (iii) There exists a compact space  $K$  containing  $X$  as a subspace such that the sets  $X$ ,  $K \setminus X$  are point-wise separated in  $K$ .

*Proof.* Suppose (i). Let  $x \in X$  and  $y \in \omega(X, \mathfrak{B}) \setminus X$ . Since  $X$  is  $\theta$ -regular the filter  $\gamma$  has no  $\theta$ -cluster point. It follows that  $x$  has an open neighborhood  $U$  with  $\text{cl}U \in \mathfrak{B}$  such that  $F \cap \text{cl}U = \emptyset$  for some  $F \in \gamma$ . Then  $V = X \setminus \text{cl}U \in \gamma$  and, consequently,  $y \in S(V)$ . Now, let  $W \subseteq U$  be an open neighborhood of  $x$  with  $X \setminus W \in \mathfrak{B}$ . One can easily check that  $S(W)$ ,  $S(V)$  are disjoint neighborhoods of the points  $x, y$ . It follows (ii).

(ii)  $\implies$  (iii) is trivial. Suppose (iii). Let  $\Phi$  be a filter base with a  $\theta$ -cluster point  $x \in X$ . There exists a filter base  $\Phi'$  finer than  $\Phi$  which  $\theta$ -converges to  $x$ . Since  $K$  is compact,  $\Phi'$  has some cluster point  $y \in K$ . But a  $\theta$ -limit and a cluster point of the same filter base cannot have disjoint neighborhoods; hence  $y \in X$ . Finally,  $y$  is a cluster point of  $\Phi$  which implies (i).

**Corollary 1.** *The product of  $\theta$ -regular topological spaces is  $\theta$ -regular.*

*Proof.* Let  $X_\alpha$ ,  $\alpha \in A$  be  $\theta$ -regular topological spaces. It follows from the Theorem 1 that there are compact spaces  $K_\alpha \supseteq X_\alpha$  such that for every  $\alpha \in A$  the sets  $X_\alpha$ ,  $K_\alpha \setminus X_\alpha$  are point-wise separated. Let  $K = \prod_{\alpha \in A} K_\alpha$ ,  $X = \prod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha$ . Then  $K$  is compact and, evidently, the sets  $X$ ,  $K \setminus X$  are point-wise separated. Hence, the space  $X$  is  $\theta$ -regular.

K. Nagami in [5] proved that a countable product of paracompact Hausdorff  $\Sigma$ -spaces is paracompact. Nagami uses Hausdorff separation axiom for upgrading semiparacompactness to paracompactness. However, Nagami's proof essentially contains the result that a countable product of paracompact  $\Sigma$ -spaces is semiparacompact which needs no separation axioms. The following result now follows from the fact that  $\theta$ -regular semiparacompact spaces are paracompact ([4], Theorem 6).

**Corollary 2.** *A countable product of paracompact (not necessarily regular or Hausdorff)  $\Sigma$ -spaces is paracompact.*

It is easy to check that a second countable space has a countable balanced closed base. Theorem 1 (with Theorem 6, [4]) also yields the following.

**Corollary 3.** *A topological space  $X$  is paracompact second countable if and only if there exists a compact second countable space  $K$  containing  $X$  as a subspace such that the sets  $X$ ,  $K \setminus X$  are point-wise separated in  $K$ .*

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