

8. Paracompactness of Topological Completions

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1. Introduction. All spaces are assumed to be completely regular T_2 unless otherwise specified. This paper is mainly concerned with paracompactness of the completion $\mu(X)$ of a space X with respect to its finest uniformity μ . Such completion of a space X is called the topological completion of X (or the completion in the sense of Dieudonné). Following Morita [12], a space X is said to be pseudo-paracompact (resp. pseudo-Lindelöf etc.) if $\mu(X)$ is paracompact (resp. Lindelöf etc.). Since for any M -space X $\mu(X)$ is a paracompact M -space ([12]), every M -space is pseudo-paracompact.

The purpose of this paper is to study some properties of pseudo-paracompact spaces. The details will be published elsewhere.

2. Characterizations of pseudo-paracompact spaces. An open covering $\mathfrak{D}=\{O_\alpha\}$ of a space X is said to be extendable to $\mu(X)$ if there exists an open covering $\tilde{\mathfrak{D}}=\{\tilde{O}_\alpha\}$ of $\mu(X)$ such that $O_\alpha=\tilde{O}_\alpha\cap X$ for each α . We note that every normal open covering of X is extendable to $\mu(X)$ as a normal open covering (cf. [9, (I) Lemma 8 and (II) Lemma 1]).

Now let $\{\mathfrak{U}_\lambda|\lambda\in\Lambda\}$ be the set of all the normal open coverings of a space X . A filter $\mathfrak{F}=\{F_\alpha\}$ in X is said to be weakly Cauchy with respect to the uniformity μ if for any $\lambda\in\Lambda$ there exists $U\in\mathfrak{U}_\lambda$ such that $U\cap F_\alpha\neq\phi$ for every α . In other words, a filter \mathfrak{F} is weakly Cauchy if for any $\lambda\in\Lambda$ there exists a stronger filter \mathfrak{F}_λ than \mathfrak{F} such that $L\subset U$ for some $U\in\mathfrak{U}_\lambda$ and $L\in\mathfrak{F}_\lambda$. We state first the necessary and sufficient conditions for a space X to be pseudo-paracompact, some of which are the modifications of Corson's theorem [1] for the characterizations of paracompact spaces.

Theorem 2.1. *For a space X , the following conditions are equivalent.*

- (a) X is pseudo-paracompact.
- (b) Every open covering of X which is extendable to $\mu(X)$ is a normal covering.
- (c) The product of X with every compact space is pseudo-normal.
- (d) Every weakly Cauchy filter in X with respect to μ is contained in some Cauchy filter with respect to μ .
- (e) If \mathfrak{F} is a filter in X such that the image of \mathfrak{F} has a cluster