## 183. On Weakly Compact Spaces

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A topological space S is said to be AU-weakly compact, if every countable open covering of S contains a finite subfamily whose union is deuse in S, and S is said to be MP-weakly compact, if every pairwise disjoint infinite family of open sets  $O_{\alpha}$ ,  $\alpha \in A$ , has a point  $p \in S$  whose every neighbourhood meets infinitely many  $O_{\alpha}$ . The point p is called a cluster point of the family  $\{O_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in A}$ . K. Iseki [1] [2] [3] and S. Kasahara [4] proved the following:

**Proposition.** The following properties of a regular space S are equivalent:

(1) S is AU-weakly compact.

(2) S is MP-weakly compact.

(3) Every locally finite family of open sets  $O_{\alpha}$  contains a finite subfamily whose union covers the union of all  $O_{\alpha}$ .

(4) Every locally finite open covering of S contains a finite subcovering.

We shall prove only that  $(2) \rightarrow (3)$  using the following:

Lemma. Every point-finite covering of a topological space contains an irreducible subcovering.

This lemma was proved by R. Arens and J. Dugundji [5].

*Proof that*  $(2) \rightarrow (3)$ . Let S be a regular MP-weakly compact space and let  $\{O_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in A}$  be a locally finite family of open sets of S. By the lemma, there is an irreducible subfamily  $\{O_{\beta}\}_{\beta \in B}$  such that  $\bigcup_{\beta \in B} O_{\beta}$  $= \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} O_{\alpha}$ . We shall prove that B is a finite set. Let us assume that B is an infinite set. By the irreducibility of  $\{O_{\beta}\}_{\beta \in B}$  for every  $\beta \in B$ ,  $O_{\beta} - \bigcup_{r \in B - \{\beta\}} O_r$  is non-empty, then it contains a point  $p_{\beta}$  such that  $p_{\beta} \in O_{\beta}$  and  $p_{\beta} \in O_{\gamma}$ ,  $\gamma \in B - \{\beta\}$ . By the regularity of the space S, every  $p_{\beta}$  has an open neighbourhood  $V_{\beta}$  such that  $\bar{V}_{\beta} \subset O_{\beta}$ . It is easily seen that for every  $\beta \in B$   $p_{\beta} \in V_{\beta}$  and  $p_{\beta} \in \overline{V}_{\gamma}$ ,  $\gamma \in B - \{\beta\}$ . By the locally finiteness of  $\{O_{\beta}\}_{\beta \in B}$ ,  $\bigcup_{\tau \in B - \{\beta\}} \overline{V}_{\tau}$  is closed, then  $W_{\beta} = V_{\beta} - \bigcup_{\tau \in B - \{\beta\}} \overline{V}_{\tau}$  is open and contains  $p_{\beta}$ . It is obvious that the open infinite family  $\{W_{\beta}\}_{\beta \in B}$ is pairwise disjoint and locally finite. By the property (2), the family  $\{W_{\beta}\}_{\beta \in B}$  has at least one cluster point, contrary to the locally finiteness Then B must be a finite set and the proof of of the family  $\{W_{\beta}\}_{\beta \in B}$ .  $(2) \rightarrow (3)$  is completed.

Let S be a topological space. Each family of regularly closed sets  $\bar{O}_{a}$ ,  $\alpha \in A$ , of S is called a *regularly closed family*, and each covering of S

composed of regularly closed sets  $\bar{O}_{\alpha}$ ,  $\alpha \in A$ , a regularly closed covering.

**Theorem.** The following properties of a topological space S are equivalent.

(1) S is AU-weakly compact.

(2) Every countable non-empty open family  $\{O_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  having the finite intersection property has the non-empty intersection  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \bar{O}_n$ .

(3) S is MP-weakly compact.

(4) Every locally finite family of regularly closed sets  $\bar{O}_{\alpha}$  of S contains a finite subfamily whose union covers the union of all  $\bar{O}_{\alpha}$ .

(5) Every locally finite regularly closed covering of S contains a finite subcovering.

**Proof.** In (5), "covering" may be replaced by "countable covering" and "a finite subcovering" by "a proper subcovering". We shall prove that  $(1)\rightarrow(2)\rightarrow(3)\rightarrow(4)\rightarrow(5)\rightarrow(3)\rightarrow(1)$ . K. Iséki [3] proved that  $(1) \rightleftharpoons (2)$  and  $(3) \rightarrow (1)$ , K. Iséki [1] proved that  $(2) \rightarrow (3)$  in topological spaces. It is obvious that  $(4)\rightarrow(5)$ . We must prove that  $(3)\rightarrow(4)$  and  $(5)\rightarrow(3)$ .

Proof that  $(3) \rightarrow (4)$ . Let S be a topological space and let  $\{\bar{O}_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in A}$  be a regularly closed family. Put  $S_1 = \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} \bar{O}_{\alpha}$ . In virtue of the lemma, there is an irreducible subfamily  $\{\bar{O}_{\beta}\}_{\beta \in B}$  such that  $S_1 = \bigcup_{\beta \in B} \bar{O}_{\beta}$ . We shall prove that B is a finite set. Let us assume that B is an infinite set. For every  $\beta \in B$ , put  $W_{\beta} = O_{\beta} - \bigcup_{r \in B - \{\beta\}} \bar{O}_r$ . If  $W_{\beta} = \phi$  for some  $\beta \in B$ ,  $O_{\beta} \subset \bigcup_{r \in B - \{\beta\}} \bar{O}_r$ . By the locally finiteness of  $\{\bar{O}_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in A}$  the set  $\bigcup_{r \in B - \{\beta\}} \bar{O}_r$  is closed, then  $\bar{O}_{\beta} \subset \bigcup_{r \in B - \{\beta\}} \bar{O}_r$  contrary to the irreducibility of  $\{\bar{O}_{\beta}\}_{\beta \in B}$ . Therefore  $W_{\beta} \neq \phi$  for any  $\beta \in B$ . By  $W_{\beta} \subset O_{\beta}$ ,  $\{W_{\beta}\}_{\beta \in B}$  is locally finite. It is obvious that  $\{W_{\beta}\}_{\beta \in B}$  is a pairwise disjoint open infinite family. By the property (3),  $\{W_{\beta}\}_{\beta \in B}$  has at least one cluster point, contrary to the locally finiteness of  $\{W_{\beta}\}_{\beta \in B}$ . Therefore, B must be a finite set. The proof of  $(3) \rightarrow (4)$  is completed.

Proof that  $(5) \rightarrow (3)$ . Let S be a topological space which does not satisfy the property (3). Then there is a pairwise disjoint open infinite family  $\{O_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  which has no cluster point. Therefore, the family  $\{O_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is locally finite. If  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \bar{O}_n = S$ , the family  $\{\bar{O}_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a locally finite regularly closed infinite covering which has no proper subcovering. If  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \bar{O}_n \neq S$ , by the locally finiteness of  $\{\bar{O}_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ ,  $S - \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \bar{O}$  is nonempty open. Then the family  $\{\overline{S - \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \bar{O}_n, \bar{O}_1, \bar{O}_2, \dots, \bar{O}_n, \dots\}$  is a locally finite regularly closed covering which has no proper subcovering. Thus, the proof of  $(5) \rightarrow (3)$  is completed. Suppl.]

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