

SCC AND HCC EXTENSIONS AND CONTINUOUS IMAGES OF HCC SPACES

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we further investigate the results given in [9] and [10]. A space X is HCC (hypercountably compact) if every σ -compact set in X has the compact closure in X (see [10]). A space X is SCC (strongly countably compact) if every countable subset in X has the compact closure in X (see [6]). A pair (Y, c) is called a SCC(HCC) extension of the space X if Y is a SCC(HCC) space and $c : X \rightarrow Y$ is a homeomorphic embedding of X in Y such that $cl_Y(c(X)) = Y$. In section 2 we consider SCC and HCC extensions of locally compact spaces. In section 3 we also consider continuous images of HCC spaces.

1. Introduction

The closure of A , a subset of a space X , is denoted by $cl_X(A)$. In this paper we assume that all spaces are Hausdorff (T_2 -spaces). For notation and definitions not given here see [5,6,7].

Let X be a topological T_2 -space. Then:

- (1) $\mathcal{K}(X)$ denotes the set of all non-empty compact subspaces of X .
- (2) $\mathcal{F}(X) = \{F \subset X : F \text{ is finite}\} \subset \mathcal{K}(X)$.

DEFINITION 1.1. A space X is strongly countably compact (SCC) if the closure of every countable subset in X is compact in X (see [6]).

DEFINITION 1.2. A space X is hypercountably compact (HCC) if the closure of the union of every countable family of compact sets in X is a compact set in X (see [10]).

DEFINITION 1.3. Let X be a topological T_2 -space.

- (1) A point $p \in X$ is said to be a P-point provided that intersection of countably many neighbourhoods of p is a neighbourhood of p (see [7]).
- (2) A point $p \in X$ is a weak P-point if $p \notin cl_X(F)$ for any countable $F \subset X - \{p\}$ (see [7]).

It is easy to see that every P-point is a weak P-point. The converse is not necessarily true (see [10] example 2.1, [7]).

PROPOSITION 1.4. Let X be a locally compact T_2 -space and let ωX denote the one-point compactification of X . Then:

- (1) The space X is a SCC space if and only if the point $x_0 = \omega X - X$ is a weak P-point.
- (2) The space X is a HCC space if and only if the point $x_0 = \omega X - X$ is a P-point.

PROOF. (1): Suppose that X is an SCC space and let $A \subset X = \omega X - \{x_0\}$ be a countable set. Then $cl_{\omega X}(A) = cl_X(A)$ is a compact set in X and $x_0 \notin cl_{\omega X}(A)$. Hence point x_0 is a weak P-point in ωX .

Conversely, suppose that x_0 is a weak P-point in ωX . Let $A \subset X = \omega X - \{x_0\}$ be a countable set. Then $x_0 \notin cl_{\omega X}(A)$; hence $cl_{\omega X}(A) = cl_X(A)$. Since $cl_{\omega X}(A)$ is

compact subspace in ωX , $cl_X(A)$ is a compact subspace in $X = \omega X - \{x_0\}$. Hence, subspace $X = \omega X - \{x_0\}$ is an SCC space.

(2): Suppose that X is HCC space and let $\{U_n(x_0) : n \in N\}$ be any countable family of open neighbourhoods of the point x_0 in ωX . Then $\cap\{U_n(x_0) : n \in N\} = \cup\{\omega X - U_n(x_0) : n \in N\}$ and $\omega X - U_n(x_0) \subset X$ is a compact subspace for each $n \in N$. Since X is an HCC space there exists a compact set $K \subset X$ such that $\omega X - U_n(x_0) \subset K$ for each $n \in N$. The set $U = \omega X - K$ is an open neighbourhood of x_0 in ωX . Therefore, $\omega X - K \subset \cap\{U_n(x_0) : n \in N\}$. Hence, x_0 is a P-point in X .

Conversely, suppose that x_0 is a P-point in ωX and let $\{K_n : n \in N\}$ be a countable family of compact sets in X . Then $\cup\{K_n : n \in N\} = \cap\{\omega X - K_n : n \in N\}$ and $\omega X - K_n$ is an open neighbourhood of x_0 in ωX for each $n \in N$. Since x_0 is a P-point in ωX , there exists an open neighbourhood U of x_0 such that $U \subset \cap\{\omega X - K_n : n \in N\}$. Therefore, $K_n \subset \omega X - U$ for each $n \in N$ and $\omega X - U$ is a compact subset of X . Hence, by Definition 1.2, X is an HCC space. This completes the proof.

COROLLARY 1.5. *Let be a Tychonoff space for which $\beta X - X = \{x_0\}$, (i.e. $\omega X = \beta X$). The space X is HCC(SCC) if and only if the point x_0 is a P-point (weak P-point).*

DEFINITION 1.6. A pair (Y, c) , is called a SCC(HCC) extension of a space X , if Y is a SCC(HCC) space and $c : X \rightarrow Y$ is a homeomorphic embedding of X in Y such that $cl_Y(c(X)) = Y$.

If a space X is embeddable in a SCC(HCC) space Y , i.e., if there exists a homeomorphism $f : X \rightarrow M$ onto a subspace $M = f(X)$ of Y , then obviously the pair $(cl_Y((fX)), i \circ f)$, where i denotes the embedding of M in $cl_Y(M)$, is a SCC(HCC) extension of the space X . Hence every space which is embeddable in a SCC(HCC) space has a SCC(HCC) extension.

2. SCC and HCC extensions of locally compact spaces

PROPOSITION 2.1. *Let X be a locally compact and pseudocompact space which is not a SCC space. Then X can be embedded as an open subspace into an SCC space σX .*

PROOF. Let τ be the topology of X and let $\mathcal{X} = \{A : A \subset X, \text{card}(A) = \aleph_0 \text{ and } cl_X(A) \notin \mathcal{K}(X)\}$. Since X is not a SCC space, $\mathcal{X} \neq \emptyset$. Let ρ be the equivalence relation on \mathcal{X} defined by $A \rho B \Leftrightarrow cl_X(A) = cl_X(B)$ ($A \in \mathcal{X}, B \in \mathcal{X}$). $\mathcal{X} = \cup\{C_i : C_i \text{ is an equivalence class of } \rho, i \in D\}$, $\mathcal{X}/\rho = \{C_i : i \in D\}$, where D is an index set for \mathcal{X}/ρ . One can note that for every $C_i, i \in D$, there exists a noncompact closed subspace $X_i \subset X, i \in D$ with the property that for every $A \in C_i, cl_X(A) = X_i, i \in D$. Let $X^* = \{X_i : i \in D\}$ and $X' = X \cup X^*$. Obviously $X \cap X^* = \emptyset$. We now introduce a topology τ' on X' as follows: $\tau' = \tau \cup \{\{X_i\} \cup (X_i - K) : K \in \mathcal{K}(X_i), i \in D\}$ where τ is the topology on X and $\{\{X_i\} \cup (X_i - K) : K \in \mathcal{K}(X_i), i \in D\}$ are basic neighborhoods of point $X_i \in X^*$ intersecting X . Let $\sigma X = X' \cup \{p\}$ where $p \notin X'$ and σ is an topology on σX defined as follows:

$$\sigma = \tau' \cup \{\{p\} \cup (X^* - F) : F \in \mathcal{K}(X^*)\}$$

The space $(\sigma X, \sigma)$ has the following properties:

The subspace X is open in σX and $cl'_{\sigma X}(X) = X'$.

Since X is locally compact this is obvious from the way we constructed topology σ .

The subspace $\sigma X - X$ is closed and compact in σX .

This is clear, because subspace $\sigma X - X$ is the one-point compactification of X^* .

The point $p \in \sigma X$ is an isolated point of X .

This is clear, because $(\{p\} \cup X^*) \cap X = \emptyset$.

The space $(\sigma X, \sigma)$ is SCC but it is not compact.

Let $A = \{a_n \in X : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be any countable subset of $X \subset \sigma X$ and let $A \in \mathcal{X}$. Then there exists an $X_{i_0} \in X^*$ such that $cl_X(A) = X_{i_0}$. The set $X_{i_0} \cup \{X_{i_0}\}$ is compact in σX and $cl_{\sigma X}(A) = X_{i_0} \cup \{X_{i_0}\}$. Suppose that $A \subset \sigma X - X$. Then $cl_{\sigma X - X}(A) = cl_{\sigma X}(A) \in \mathcal{K}(\sigma X)$ ($\sigma X - X$ is closed and compact in σX). Hence σX is a SCC space. Since X is an open subspace in σX and it is not compact there exists an open infinite cover $\mathcal{V} \subset \tau$ without a finite subcover. Then $\mathcal{V} \cup (\{p\} \cup X^*)$ is an open cover of σX without a finite subcover. Hence $(\sigma X, \sigma)$ is not compact.

Let $x_1 \in X$ and $x_2 \in X$, $x_1 \neq x_2$, $X \subset \sigma X = X \cup X^* \cup \{p\}$. Since X is Hausdorff and X is open in σX , any two distinct points in X have disjoint neighborhoods in σX .

Let $x_1 \in X$ and $x_2 \in X^*$, i.e., $x_2 = X_{i_0} \in X^*$. Since X is locally compact, there exists an open neighborhood G of x_1 in X such that $cl_X(G) \in \mathcal{K}(X)$. The set $cl(G) \cap X_{i_0} \in \mathcal{K}(X_{i_0}) \subset \mathcal{K}(X)$. Let $U_1 = G$ and $U_2 = \{X_{i_0}\} \cup (X_{i_0} - (cl_X(G) \cap X_{i_0}))$. Then U_1 and U_2 are disjoint neighborhoods of x_1 and x_2 in σX .

Let $x_1 \in X$ and $x_2 = p$; then there exists an open neighborhood G of x_1 in X such that $cl_X(G) \in \mathcal{K}(X)$ (X is locally compact). The sets G and $\{p\} \cup X^*$ are disjoint neighborhoods of x_1 and p in σX .

Let $x_1 = X_{i_1} \in X^*$ and $x_2 = p$; then $\{X_{i_1}\} \cup X_{i_1}$ and $\{p\} \cup (X^* - \{X_{i_1}\})$ are disjoint neighborhoods of X_{i_1} and p in σX .

Let $x_1 = X_{i_1}$ and $x_2 = X_{i_2}$ be distinct points in X^* ; then $V_1 = \{X_{i_1}\} \cup X_{i_1}$ and $V_2 = \{X_{i_2}\} \cup X_{i_2}$ are neighborhoods of x_1 and x_2 in σX such that $x_1 \notin V_2$ and $x_2 \notin V_1$.

REMARKS. (a) Let $\mathcal{S}(X) = \{A : A \subset X, A \text{ is a closed separable set}\}$. If $(A \cap B) \in \mathcal{K}(X)$, for any two A and B in $\mathcal{S}(X)$, then σX is a Hausdorff space.

(b) Let $\text{card}(X^*) < \aleph_0$. Then $\sigma X = X'$ and $\sigma = \tau'$, i.e., $(\sigma X, \sigma) = (X', \tau)$. It is easy to see that $cl_{\sigma X}(X) = \sigma X$.

(c) Let family $\mathcal{X} = \{A : A \subset X, \text{card}(A) = \aleph_0 \text{ and } cl_X(A) \notin \mathcal{K}(X)\}$ be totally-ordered by inclusion. If there exists a maximal element $M \in \mathcal{X}$, then $\sigma X = \tau \cup \{cl_X(M)\} \cup (cl_X(M) - K) : K \in \mathcal{K}(cl_X(M))\}$. The space σX is Hausdorff and $cl_{\sigma X}(X) = \sigma X$.

For example, the deleted Tychonoff plank $X = [0, \omega_1] \times [0, \omega_0] - \{(\omega_1, \omega_0)\}$ is a pseudocompact and locally compact space which is not SCC. The subset $A \subset X$ where $A = \{(\omega_1, n) : 0 \leq n < \aleph_0\}$ is a maximal element for \mathcal{X} and $cl_X(A) = A$. Hence $\sigma X = X \cup \{A\}$ and $\sigma = \tau \cup \{A\} \cup (A - K) : K \in \mathcal{K}(A)\}$.

(d) Since X is locally compact and Hausdorff it is Tychonoff. Therefore, there exist compactifications ωX ($\omega X = X \cup \{x_0\}; x_0 \notin X$) and βX . Let $y \in \beta X - X$. If y is a weak P-point, then the subspace $\beta X - \{y\}$ is a SCC space (see [10], 3.3), i.e., $\beta X - \{y\}$.

(e) By 1.4, the one-point compactification ωX is an SCC extension of X .

PROPOSITION 2.2. Let X be a locally compact and SCC space which is not a HCC space. Then X can be imbedded as an open subspace of HCC space φX .

PROOF. Let τ be the topology on X and let $\mathcal{X} = \{A : A \subset X, A \text{ is } \sigma\text{-compact and } cl_A(X) \notin \mathcal{K}(X)\}$. Since X is not a HCC space, $\mathcal{X} \neq \emptyset$. Let ρ be the equivalence relation on \mathcal{X} defined by $A \rho B \Leftrightarrow cl_X(A) = cl_X(B)$ ($A \in \mathcal{X}, B \in \mathcal{X}$). $\mathcal{X} = \bigcup \{C_i : C_i \text{ is an equivalence class of } \rho, i \in D\}$, $\mathcal{X}/\rho = \{X_i : i \in D\}$ where D is an index set for \mathcal{X}/ρ . One can note that for every $C_i, i \in D$ there exists a noncompact closed subspace $X_i \subset X, i \in D$ with the property that for every $A \in C_i$ $cl_X(A) = X_i, i \in D$. Let $X^* = \{X_i : i \in D\}$ and $X' = X \cup X^*$. Obviously, $X \cap X^* = \emptyset$. We introduce a topology τ' on X' as follows:

$$\tau' = \tau \cup \{\{X_i\} \cup (X_i - K) : K \in \mathcal{K}(X_i); i \in D\}$$

where τ is a topology of X and $\{\{X_i\} \cup (X_i - K) : K \in \mathcal{K}(X_i); i \in D\}$ are basic neighborhoods of points $X_i \in X^*$ intersecting X . Let $\varphi X = X' \cup \{p\}$ where $p \notin X'$ and φ a topology on φX defined as follows:

$$\varphi = \tau' \cup \{\{p\} \cup (X^* - F) : F \in |\text{Cal}K(X^*)|\}$$

The space $(\varphi X, \varphi)$ has the following properties:

The subspace X is open in φX and $cl_{X'}(X) = X'$.

The subspace $\varphi X - X$ is closed and compact in φX .

The point $p \in \varphi X$ is an isolated point for X .

The space $(\varphi X, \varphi)$ is HCC but it is not compact.

Let A be any σ -compact subset of $X \subset \varphi X$ ($\varphi X = X \cup X^* \cup \{p\}$) and let $A \in \mathcal{X}$. Then there exists an $X_{i_0} \in X^*$ such that $cl_X(A) = X_{i_0}$. The set $X_{i_0} \cup \{X_{i_0}\}$ is compact in φX and $cl_{\varphi X} = X_{i_0} \cup \{X_{i_0}\}$. Suppose that $A \subset \varphi X - X$. Then $cl_{\varphi X - X}(A) = cl_{\varphi X}(A) \in \mathcal{K}(\varphi X)$ ($\varphi X - X$ is closed and compact in φX). Hence φX is a HCC space. Since the subspace $X \subset \varphi X$ is open in φX and it is not compact, there exists an open infinite cover \mathcal{V} without a finite subcover. Then $\mathcal{V} \cup (\{p\} \cup X^*)$ is an open cover of φX without a finite subcover. Hence $(\varphi X, \varphi)$ is not compact.

Let x_1 and x_2 be any two distinct points in φX . If $x_1 \in X, x_2 \in X; x_1 \in X, x_2 \in X^*; x_1 \in X, x_2 = p; x_1 \in X^*, x_2 = p$; then there exist disjoint neighborhoods of x_1 and x_2 in φX (see proof of 2.1). Let $x_1 = X_{i_1}$ and $x_2 = X_{i_2}$ be distinct points in X^* . Then $U_1 = X_{i_1} \cup \{X_{i_1}\}$ and $U_2 = X_{i_2} \cup \{X_{i_2}\}$ are neighborhoods of x_1 and x_2 such that $x_1 \notin U_2$ and $x_2 \notin U_1$.

REMARKS (a) Let $\mathcal{R}(X) = \{A : A \subset X; A \text{ is a closure of a } \sigma\text{-compact set}\}$. If $(A \cap B) \in \mathcal{K}(X)$, for any two A, B in $\mathcal{R}(X)$, then φX is a Hausdorff space.

(b) Let $\text{card}(X^*) < \aleph_0$. Then $\varphi X = X'$ and $\varphi = \tau'$, i.e., $(\varphi X, \varphi) = (X', \tau')$. It is easy to see that $cl_{\varphi X}(X) = \varphi X$.

(c) The family $\mathcal{X} = \{A : A \subset X, A \text{ is a } \sigma\text{-compact and } cl_X(A) \notin \mathcal{K}(X)\}$ is totally ordered by inclusion. If there exist a maximal element $M \in \mathcal{X}$, then $\varphi X = X \cup \{cl_X(M)\}$ and $\varphi = \tau \cup \{\{cl_X(M) \cup (cl_X(M) - K) : K \in \mathcal{K}(cl_X(M))\}\}$. The space φX is Hausdorff and $cl_{\varphi X}(X) = \varphi X$.

(d) Since X is locally compact and Hausdorff it is Tychonoff. Therefore, there exist compactifications ωX ($\omega X = X \cup \{p\}, p \notin X$) and βX . Let $p \in \beta X - X$. If p is a P-point, then the subspace $\beta X - \{p\}$ is an HCC space (see [10], 3.3), i.e., $\beta X - \{p\} = \varphi X$ and φ is topology of $\beta X - \{p\}$ induced by βX .

(e) By proposition 1.4, the one-point compactification ωX is HCC extension of X .

(f) Let X be a locally compact and SCC space which is not a HCC space. Then by 2.2, X can be imbedded as an open subspace of an HCC space φX . The space $X \cup \{y\}$, where y is an isolated point in X , is an SCC space. Then the function $f : \varphi X \rightarrow X \cup \{y\}$ defined as

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x, & x \in X \\ y, & x \in \varphi X - X \end{cases}$$

is a continuous function from φX to the SCC space $X \cup \{y\}$. If $y \in X$, then f is continuous function from φX onto X .

3. Continuous images of HCC spaces

It can be shown that every continuous image of an HCC space is an SCC space. The HCC property is not a continuous invariant (see [10] example 2.4).

DEFINITION 3.1. A space X is a C_H -space if there exists an HCC space Y and continuous mapping $f : Y \rightarrow X$ from Y onto X .

It is clear that every C_H -space is an SCC space. By remark (f) in 2.2, the converse is not necessarily true.

PROPOSITION 3.2. Every closed subspace of a C_H -space is a C_H -space.

PROOF. Let Y be a closed subspace of C_H -space X . By 3.1, there exists an HCC space W and a continuous mapping $f : W \rightarrow X$ from W onto X . The set $f^{-1}(Y)$ is closed in W . By 2.5 in [10], $f^{-1}(Y)$ is an HCC space. Hence Y is a C_H -space. This completes the proof.

PROPOSITION 3.3. A continuous image of a C_H -space is a C_H -space.

PROOF. Let X be a C_H -space and $f : X \rightarrow Y$ a continuous mapping. Let $g : W \rightarrow X$ be a continuous mapping from an HCC space W onto X . Then, since g is continuous, $g \circ f$ is a continuous mapping from HCC space W onto Y . Hence, Y is a C_H -space. This completes the proof.

COROLLARY 3.4. Every quotient space of a C_H -space is a C_H -space.

PROPOSITION 3.5. The disjoint topological sum of a finite family of C_H -space is a C_H -space.

PROOF. Let X be the disjoint sum of the family $\{X_i : i \in A \text{ card}(A) < \aleph_0\}$, of C_H -spaces. Then for each $i \in A$ we have an HCC space Y_i and a continuous surjection $f_i : Y_i \rightarrow X_i$. Let Y be the disjoint sum of the family $\{Y_i : i \in A \text{ card}(A) < \aleph_0\}$. Then, by proposition 2.6, in [10] Y is an HCC space. The mapping $f : Y \rightarrow X$ defined as $f(Y) = f_i(Y)$; $Y = Y_i$, $i \in A$, is a continuous surjection. Hence, X is a C_H -space. This completes the proof.

PROPOSITION 3.6. Let $\{X_a : a \in A\}$ be a family of non-empty spaces. Then the product space $X = \prod\{X_a : a \in A\}$ is a C_H -space if and only if X_a is a C_H -space for each $a \in A$.

PROOF. Let X be the product of spaces X_a , $a \in A$. If X is C_H -space, then every X_a , $a \in A$, is a C_H -space. This is a direct consequence of Proposition 3.3.

Conversely, suppose that every X_a , $a \in A$, is a C_H -space. Then for each $a \in A$ we have HCC space Y_a and a continuous mapping f_a from Y_a onto X_a . The product space $Y = \prod\{Y_a : a \in A\}$ is an HCC space (see 2.8, in [10]). The mapping $f : Y \rightarrow X$ defined by formula $\forall y \in Y (y = \{y_a : a \in A\} \Rightarrow f(y) = \{f_a(y_a) : a \in A\} = x \in X)$ is a continuous mapping from Y onto X . Hence, X is a C_H -space. This completes the proof.

The following is an immediate consequence of Propositions 3.2 and 3.6.

COROLLARY 3.7. The limit of an inverse system of C_H -spaces is a C_H -space.

PROPOSITION 3.8. Let X be a first countable C_H -space. Then X is a HCC space.

PROOF. This is a direct consequence of Theorem 2.3 in [10] and remark 3.1.

PROPOSITION 3.9. Let X be a separable C_H -space. Then X is a compact space.

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