

## A NOTE ON THE SPACES WHICH ARE QUOTIENT COMPACT-COVERING $s$ -IMAGES OF METRIC SPACES<sup>1</sup>

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Throughout this paper all spaces are assumed to be Hausdorff and all maps are continuous surjections. If  $A$  is a set then  $|A|$  stands for the cardinality of  $A$ . For a topological space  $X$  we define the following conditions:

(i)  $X$  has a point-countable cover  $\mathcal{F}$  such that for each  $x \in K \cap U$ , with  $K$  compact and  $U$  open in  $X$ , there is a finite  $\mathcal{V} \subset \mathcal{F}$  and a finite closed cover  $\mathcal{W}$  of a neighborhood of  $x$  in  $K$  for which  $\mathcal{W}$  refines  $\mathcal{V}$  and  $\bigcup \mathcal{V} \subset U$ .

(ii)  $X$  has a point-countable cover  $\mathcal{F}$  such that for each compact  $K$  and an open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $K$  there is a finite  $\mathcal{V} \subset \mathcal{F}$  that refines  $\mathcal{U}$  and is refined by a finite closed cover of  $K$ .

(j)  $X$  has a family  $\mathcal{F} = \bigcup_n \mathcal{F}_n$ ,  $\mathcal{F}_n$  is a point-finite cover for  $X$  for all  $n$ , such that the following holds:

(j1) for each compact  $K \subset X$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$   $\{K \cap F : F \in \mathcal{F}_n\}$  admits a finite closed refinement covering  $K$ ;

(j2) if  $x \in F_n$  and  $F_n \in \mathcal{F}_n$  then  $(F_n)$  is an outer base (for the definition see [3]) at  $x$  in  $X$ .

Now, if  $X$  is a space and  $\mathcal{V}$  be a finite cover of it, then let us call  $\mathcal{V}$  to be a minimal cover with respect to a finite closed refinement if  $\mathcal{V}$  admits a finite closed refinement covering  $X$  and  $\mathcal{W}$  does not for each  $\mathcal{W} \subset \mathcal{V}$ ,  $\mathcal{W} \neq \mathcal{V}$ .

The main purpose of this note is to establish the following theorems.

**Theorem 1.1** ([1]). The following properties of a space  $X$  are equivalent:

(a)  $X$  is a quotient compact-covering  $s$ -image of a metric space;

(b)  $X$  is a  $k$ -space satisfying (i);

(c)  $X$  is a  $k$ -space satisfying (ii).

**Theorem 1.2.** For a topological space  $X$  the following are equivalent:

(a)  $X$  is an image under a quotient compact-covering map from a metric space with compact fibers;

(b)  $X$  is a  $k$ -space satisfying (j).

To prove Theorem 1.1 and Theorem 1.2 we apply the lemma below. This lemma may hold some independent interest.

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**Lemma 1.3.** Suppose that a space  $X$ , with  $d(X) \leq \tau$ , has a  $\tau$ -point<sup>1</sup> cover  $\mathcal{F}$ . Then  $|\mathcal{P}| \leq \tau$ , where  $\mathcal{P}$  is the set of all finite subcollections of  $\mathcal{F}$  that cover  $X$  and are minimal with respect to a finite closed refinement.

In Section 2 we prove our results, and in Section 3 a lemma of inductively perfect maps is recorded. The last section is devoted to examples.

**2. Proofs of the results. Lemma 2.1.** Let  $\mathcal{V}$  be a minimal finite closed cover of a topological space  $X$ . Then  $\text{Int} V \neq \emptyset$  for each  $V \in \mathcal{V}$ .

**Proof.** Let  $V \in \mathcal{V}$  be arbitrary. Set  $W = V \setminus \bigcup \{V - \{V\}\}$ . Then  $W$  is open and  $W \neq \emptyset$  since  $\mathcal{V}$  is minimal. That completes the proof.

**Proof of Lemma 1.3.** Let  $E$  be a dense subspace of  $X$ , with  $|E| = d(X)$ , and  $\mathcal{V}$  be an arbitrary finite cover of  $X$  that is minimal with respect to a finite closed refinement. By Lemma 2.1 if  $V \in \mathcal{V}$  then  $\text{Int} V \neq \emptyset$  and hence  $V \cap E \neq \emptyset$ . Since  $\mathcal{F}$  is a  $\tau$ -point cover it follows that  $|\mathcal{P}| \leq \tau$ , where  $\mathcal{P}$  is the set of all finite subcollections of  $\mathcal{F}$  that covers  $X$  and are minimal with respect to a finite closed refinement. That completes the proof.

**Proof of Theorem 1.1.** The equivalency  $[(a) \Leftrightarrow (c)]$  is proved in [1]. For reader's convenience we outline the proof.

$(a) \Rightarrow (c)$ . Let  $f : (M, \mathcal{B}) \rightarrow X$  be a quotient compact-covering  $s$ -image from a metric space with a point-countable base  $\mathcal{B}$ . If  $K \subset X$  is compact then there exists a compact  $C$  in  $M$  such that  $f(C) = K$ . Let  $(\mathcal{U}_n)$  be all finite subcollections of  $\mathcal{B}$  that are minimal covers for  $C$ , arranged in a sequence. Let

$$\mathcal{V}_n = \{f(U) : U \in \mathcal{U}_n\}, n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Now, setting  $\mathcal{F} = \{f(B) : B \in \mathcal{B}\}$  we can pick some  $\mathcal{V}_n$  for  $\mathcal{V}$  in the condition (ii).  $(c) \Rightarrow (a)$ . Giving  $\mathcal{F}$  the discrete topology, the countable product  $\mathcal{F}^\omega$  is metrizable. Let  $M(\mathcal{F})$  be the set of all  $(V_n) \in \mathcal{F}^\omega$  such that, for some  $x \in \bigcap_n V_n$ , every neighbourhood of  $x$  contains some  $V_k$ . In fact,  $\{x\} = \bigcap_n V_n$ , since  $X$  is Hausdorff. In this way we define a map  $\varphi(\mathcal{F}, X) : M(\mathcal{F}) \rightarrow X$ , which is continuous and onto (see [4] or [3]). It is easy to verify that  $\varphi(\mathcal{F}, X)$  is an  $s$ -map. By ([2], Footnote 16) it suffices to show that  $\varphi(\mathcal{F}, X)$  is compact-covering. Indeed, let  $K$  be a compact in  $X$  and  $\mathcal{S}$  be the set of all finite subcollections of  $\mathcal{F}$  that cover  $K$  and are minimal with respect to a finite closed refinement. Applying Lemma 1.3 we arrange  $\mathcal{S}$  in a sequence  $(\mathcal{V}_n)$ . Denote by  $(\mathcal{V}'_n)$  a sequence of closed finite covers of  $K$  for which  $\mathcal{V}'_n$  refines  $\mathcal{V}_n$  for all  $n$ . Set  $C = \{(V'_n) \in \prod_n \mathcal{V}_n : \exists (V'_n) \text{ with the finite intersection property and } V'_n \subset V_n, V'_n \in \mathcal{V}'_n \text{ for all } n\}$ .

Now, let us see that if  $(V_n) \in C$  then  $(V_n) \in M(\mathcal{F})$ . Obviously,  $\bigcap_n V'_n \neq \emptyset$ , where  $(V'_n)$  is as in the definition of  $C$ . Suppose that there are  $x, y \in \bigcap_n V_n$ . We find an open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $K$  such that if  $\mathcal{V}$  is a cover of  $K$  refining  $\mathcal{U}$  then  $x \notin \bigcup \{W : y \in W, W \in \mathcal{V}\}$ . Using (ii) we can find  $\mathcal{V}_n \in \mathcal{S}$  for some  $n$ , such that  $x \notin \bigcup \{W : y \in W, W \in \mathcal{V}_n\}$ . Thus, we obtain that if  $(V_n) \in C$  then  $(V_n) \in M(\mathcal{F})$ . Let us check that  $C$  is closed in the compact  $\prod_n \mathcal{V}_n$ . Get an arbitrary  $(P_n) \in \prod_n \mathcal{V}_n \setminus C$ . Set  $F_k = \{(V'_n) \subset \prod_n \mathcal{V}'_n : V'_i \subset P_i, i = \overline{1, k} \text{ \& } \bigcap_{i=1}^k V'_i \neq \emptyset\}$ . Clearly,  $F_{i+1} \subset F_i$  and  $F_i$  is closed in  $\prod_n \mathcal{V}'_n$  for all  $i$ . If  $F_i \neq \emptyset$  for all  $i$ , then  $\bigcap_{i=1}^\infty F_i \neq \emptyset$ , which leads to  $(P_n) \in C$  - contradiction. Thus,  $F_{k_0} = \emptyset$  for some  $k_0$ . Then  $U = \prod_{i=1}^{k_0} P_i \times \prod_{i=k_0+1}^\infty \mathcal{V}_i$  is a neighbourhood of  $(P_n)$  such that  $U \cap C = \emptyset$ . Hence,  $C$  is closed in  $\prod_n \mathcal{V}_n$ . It is not difficult to verify that  $\varphi(\mathcal{F}, X)(C) = K$  and we leave that to the reader. Hence,  $\varphi(\mathcal{F}, X)$  is compact-covering and that completes the proof of the implication.

<sup>1</sup> $\mathcal{U}$  is a  $\tau$ -point ( $\tau \geq \aleph_0$ ) cover of  $X$  if for each  $x \in X$  the cardinality of  $\{U : U \in \mathcal{U}, x \in U\}$  is at most  $\tau$ .



an arbitrary compact and  $\mathcal{U}$  is an open cover of it then for every  $U \in \mathcal{U}$  and we pick a finite  $\mathcal{V}_x$  as  $\mathcal{V}$  in (i). From  $\{\bigcup_{x \in K} \mathcal{V}_x\}$  we get a cover  $K$  and admits a finite closed refinement.  $\mathcal{U}$ , with  $K$  compact and  $U$  open, then construct an open cover  $\mathcal{W}$  of  $M$  and  $U$  is the only element of  $\mathcal{W}$  that contains  $x$ . Pick a finite  $\mathcal{V}$  as above and  $\mathcal{V} : V \in \mathcal{V}, x \in V$  satisfies all our requirements. That completes the proof of Theorem 1.2. (a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b). Assume that  $f : (M, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow X$  is a  $t$ -covering map from a metric space onto  $X$  all whose fibers  $f^{-1}(x)$  are compact. If  $M$  has a metric on  $M$ , we find a sequence  $(\mathcal{B}_n)$  of locally finite open covers of  $M$  such that  $\text{diam } B < \frac{1}{n}$  for all  $n$ . Then let

$$\mathcal{F}_n = \{f(B) : B \in \mathcal{B}_n\} \text{ and } \mathcal{F} = \bigcup_n \mathcal{F}_n.$$

$\mathcal{F}$  satisfies (j).  
 Endow each  $\mathcal{F}_n$  with the discrete topology we let

$$M = \{(S_n) \in \prod_n \mathcal{F}_n : \bigcap_n S_n \neq \emptyset\}.$$

$M \rightarrow X$  by  $\varphi((S_n)) = \bigcap_n S_n$ . This map is correctly defined since (j2) holds. If  $K$  is compact in  $X$  then from  $\{S : S \cap K \neq \emptyset, S \in \mathcal{F}_n\}$  we can get a cover of  $K$  that admits a finite closed refinement. Further, we follow the way of the proof of Theorem 1.1.

**Lemma on inductively perfect maps.** In this section we would like to state a lemma that could be applied in various ways. Probably this lemma has been used directly or indirectly in a lot of proofs so far, but nevertheless its statement is convenient for a later use.

1. For the map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  the following are equivalent:  
 (a)  $f$  is inductively perfect;

(b)  $f$  has a closed locally finite cover  $\{Y_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$  such that  $f|_{f^{-1}(Y_\alpha)} : f^{-1}(Y_\alpha) \rightarrow Y_\alpha$  is perfect for all  $\alpha \in A$ .

Since  $f|_{f^{-1}(Y_\alpha)} : f^{-1}(Y_\alpha) \rightarrow Y_\alpha$  is inductively perfect for all  $\alpha \in A$  there is a closed locally finite cover  $\{X_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$  of  $f^{-1}(Y_\alpha)$  such that  $f|_{X_\alpha} : X_\alpha \rightarrow Y_\alpha$  is perfect. Let  $X' = \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha$ . We will show that  $f|_{X'} : X' \rightarrow Y$  is a perfect map. Indeed, let  $Y$  be arbitrary. Clearly,  $f|_{X'} : X' \rightarrow Y$  is a perfect map. If  $V$  is a neighborhood of  $y \in Y$  compact as a union of finitely many compacts. If  $V$  is a neighborhood of  $y$  and  $Y_{\alpha_1}, Y_{\alpha_2}, \dots, Y_{\alpha_k}$  are all sets of  $\{Y_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$  that contain  $y$  then for each  $i$  let  $U_{\alpha_i}$  be a neighbourhood of  $y$  in  $Y_{\alpha_i}$  such that  $f_{\alpha_i}^{-1}(U_{\alpha_i}) \subset V \cap X_{\alpha_i}$ . Now, let  $U$  be a neighbourhood of  $y$  in  $Y$  such that  $U \cap Y_{\alpha_i} \subset U_{\alpha_i}$  and  $U \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^k Y_{\alpha_i}$ . Then  $f^{-1}(U) \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^k f_{\alpha_i}^{-1}(U_{\alpha_i}) \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^k X_{\alpha_i} \subset X'$ . We can now verify that  $g^{-1}(U) \subset V$ . Hence,  $g$  is closed and that completes the proof.

**Example 3.2.** (a) The requirement of  $\{Y_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$  to be closed is essential (see Example 3.1').

So, the following lemma holds:

**Lemma 3.1'.** A map  $\varphi : X \rightarrow 2^Y$ , with each  $\varphi(x)$  compact, is upper semi-continuous (u.s.c.) iff  $X$  has a closed locally finite cover  $\{X_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$  such that  $\varphi|_{X_\alpha} : X_\alpha \rightarrow 2^Y$  is u.s.c. for all  $\alpha \in A$ .



**Corollary 3.3.** Suppose that  $f : X \mapsto Y$  is a quotient map from a locally compact space onto a first-countable paracompact with each fiber  $f^{-1}(y)$  Lindelöf. Then  $f$  is inductively perfect.

**Proof.** Let  $y \in Y$  be an arbitrary point. For each  $x \in f^{-1}(y)$  we get a neighbourhood  $U_x$  of  $x$  such that  $\bar{U}_x$  is compact. Since  $f^{-1}(y)$  is Lindelöf we can get from  $\{U_x : x \in f^{-1}(y)\}$  a countable subcover  $\mathcal{F}^*$ . Further,  $\mathcal{F}$  determines (see [2] for the definition)  $X$  since  $\mathcal{F}^* \cup (X \setminus f^{-1}(y)) = \mathcal{F}$  is an open cover of  $X$ . By ([2], Lemma 1.7) and ([2], Lemma 2.6) there is a finite  $\mathcal{V} \subset \mathcal{F}^*$  such that

$$y \in \text{Int } W, \text{ where } W = \bigcup \{f(V) : V \in \mathcal{V}\}.$$

It means that for  $y \in Y$  there is a compact  $K_y$  for which the following holds:

(1)  $f|_{X_y} : X_y \mapsto K_y$  is onto for some compact  $X_y \subset X$ ;

(2)  $y \in \text{Int } K_y$ .

Now, our corollary follows from Lemma 3.1 taking into consideration that  $Y$  is paracompact.

**4. Examples. Example 4.1.** Denote  $I = [0, 1]$  with the standard topology. Pick a point-countable base  $\mathcal{B}$  of  $I$ . For  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  let

$$V_B = \{x : x \text{ is a rational point of } B\},$$

$$W_B = \{B \setminus V_B : B \in \mathcal{B}\},$$

$$\mathcal{F} = \{V_B : B \in \mathcal{B}\} \cup \{W_B : B \in \mathcal{B}\}.$$

By Theorem 1.1  $\varphi(\mathcal{F}, X) : M(\mathcal{F}) \mapsto I$  is not compact-covering. Moreover, if  $U$  is open in  $I$  we can find a sequence  $K \subset U$  such that  $\varphi(\mathcal{F}, X)(C) \neq K$  for every compact  $C \in M(\mathcal{F})$ .

**Example 4.2.** Let  $Y$  be the set  $\{0, 1, \frac{1}{2}, \dots, \frac{1}{n}, \dots\}$  with the standard topology and  $f : X \mapsto Y$  be one-to-one map from the discrete space  $X$ . Let  $Y_1 = \{0\}$  and  $Y_2 = Y \setminus Y_1$ . Obviously  $f|_{f^{-1}(Y_1)} : f^{-1}(Y_1) \mapsto Y_1$  and  $f|_{f^{-1}(Y_2)} : f^{-1}(Y_2) \mapsto Y_2$  are perfect maps whereas  $f : X \mapsto Y$  is not (see Remark 3.2(a)).

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