

A NOTE ON SPACES RELATED TO NAMIOKA SPACES

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Namioka proved that the following condition (*) given below holds, if X is Čech-complete and Y is a locally compact, σ -compact space.

(*) Let X and Y be spaces, Z be a metric space and let $f : X \times Y \rightarrow Z$ be separately continuous. Then there is a dense, G_δ set A in X such that $A \times Y \subset C(f)$.

Following Christensen a space X is called *Namioka* if (*) is true for any compact space Y . In this paper we introduce and study a new class of spaces which is closely related to Namioka spaces. Namely, we say that a space Y is *co-Namioka* if (*) holds for any Namioka space X .

I. Introduction

There are many papers which deal with the classical problem of determining the points of continuity for a separately continuous function;

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see for example [2], [4], [10] or [11].

Throughout this paper, a space means a completely regular topological one. The set of points of continuity of f will be denoted by $C(f)$.

In what follows, a general condition given below and denoted by (*), will be called a continuity statement.

(*) Let X and Y be spaces, Z be a metric space and let $f : X \times Y \rightarrow Z$ be separately continuous. Then there is a dense, G_δ set A in X such that $A \times Y \subset C(f)$.

Namioka [10] proved that (*) holds if X is strongly countable complete (Čech-complete) and Y is locally compact and σ -compact.

A space X is *Namioka* [3] if (*) is true for any compact space Y .

So all Čech-complete spaces are Namioka [10] see also [2] and [11], where it is proved that some spaces defined by topological games are Namioka.

LEMMA 1 ([5]). *Let X be a Baire space.*

(a) *If $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n, \dots$ are dense, G_δ 's of X , then so is*

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i. \text{ (Theorem 10.1).}$$

(b) *A subset of X which is the complement of a first category set contains a dense, G_δ subset of X (Exercise 6, p. 281).*

LEMMA 2 ([11], Theorem 3, p. 501). *Namioka spaces are Baire.*

II. Co-Namioka spaces

In the main results of [2] and [11] (which are of type (*)), the space Y is assumed to be compact. So the following question arises.

What is a class \mathcal{W} of spaces, strictly larger than the class \mathcal{C} of all compact spaces, such that (*) is true for any Namioka space X and $Y \in \mathcal{W}$?

Let \mathcal{S} be a "nice" subclass of Namioka spaces, for example LC - the class of all locally compact spaces.

A space Y will be called *co-Namioka* (respectively *co-Namioka rel \mathcal{S}*)

if (*) holds for any Namioka space X (respectively any space X from S).

Obviously, by this definition, compact spaces are co-Namioka; furthermore, co-Namioka spaces are co-Namioka spaces $\text{rel } S$, for any subclass of Namioka spaces N .

The following Proposition 1 was proved in [10] in case of strongly countably complete spaces X . Our proof uses the method of Namioka and relies heavily on Lemma 2.

PROPOSITION 1. *Every locally compact σ -compact space is co-Namioka.*

Proof. Since Y is locally compact and σ -compact there is a sequence $\{Y_i : i = 1, 2, \dots\}$ of compact subsets of Y such that

$$Y = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \text{Int } Y_i \quad ([5], \text{Theorem 7.2, p. 241}).$$

Since X is Namioka, for every i , there is a dense G_δ set A_i in X such that $f|X \times Y$ is continuous on $A_i \times Y_i$. But then, clearly, f is continuous at each

point of $\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) \times Y$. Now by Lemma 1 (a), $A = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i$ is a dense, G_δ

subset of X , the latter being Namioka, and hence, by Lemma 2, Baire. So there is a dense, G_δ set $A \subset X$, with $A \times Y \subset C(f)$.

Proposition 1 suggests the question:

Must all co-Namioka spaces be Baire?

The following proposition that follows from [4], Theorem 2, p. 647, Lemma 1 (b) and Lemma 2, answers this question in the negative.

PROPOSITION 2. *Every second countable space is co-Namioka.*

This means, in particular, that if X is the unit interval and Y is the set Q of rational numbers, then (*) holds (!). Recall that Christensen [3], Theorem 1, p. 114, showed that if X is the set Q of rational numbers, Y is the unit interval and $Z = C_p(Q^2, [-1, 1])$, the space of continuous functions from Q^2 into $[-1, 1]$ equipped with the pointwise topology ($C_p(Q^2, [-1, 1])$ is compact metric), then there is a

separately continuous $f : X \times Y \rightarrow Z$ which does not satisfy (*).

Similarly, as in Proposition 2, it can be shown, using [13], Theorem 2, p. 438, Lemma 1 (b) and Lemma 2, that if we assume, additionally, that the range Z of separately continuous functions considered in (*) is a compact space, then every first countable space is co-Namioka.

In an attempt to generalize simultaneously both Propositions 1 and 2, say to all *Lindelöf spaces* (recall that in the class of locally compact spaces, a space is σ -compact if and only if it is Lindelöf [5], Theorem 7.2, p. 241) the following example ([12], Remark (b), p. 241) arises.

EXAMPLE 1. There is a hereditarily Lindelöf and hereditarily separable space which is *not* co-Namioka.

Proof. Let X and Z be the unit interval I and let Y be the space $C_p(I, I)$ of continuous functions from I into I equipped with the pointwise topology. Then $f(x, y) = y(x)$ is the required function.

The fact that Y is hereditarily Lindelöf and hereditarily separable, easily follows from the fact that Y has a countable network. It can be shown that $C_p(I, I)$ is of first category in itself [7], and is not a Frechét space and thus not first countable; this follows since $C_p(I, R)$ can be embedded in $C_p(I, I)$ and since $C_p(I, R)$ is not a k -space ([6] and [8]).

So, if not all Lindelöf, even hereditarily Lindelöf, spaces are co-Namioka, then perhaps either all *locally compact spaces that are also paracompact* or all *k -spaces* are co-Namioka? Again, the answer is no, even if we assume that such a space is both complete and metric.

The following unpublished example, due to Brown, was originally designed to answer Christensen's question [2] whether (*) holds for complete metric spaces X and Y .

EXAMPLE 2. There is a complete metric, locally compact space which is *not* co-Namioka.

Proof. Let $X = [0, 1]$, $Y = \dot{\bigcup}_{\alpha \in [0,1]} Y_\alpha$, $Y_\alpha = [0, 1]$ and let $Z = R$.

The set $X \times Y$, equipped in "the open-page-book topology", is the free union of compact squares ("pages") $X \times Y_\alpha$, with $\alpha \in [0, 1]$.

Now let us order them in "a long line" and let us define, for every $\alpha \in [0, 1]$, a separately, but not jointly, continuous function $f : X \times Y_\alpha \rightarrow Z$, requiring though, that the point (or points) of discontinuity of f_α is (respectively are spread out) somewhere in $\{\alpha\} \times Y_\alpha$.

Now it is easy to see that if $f(x, y) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} f_\alpha(x, y)$ for $(x, y) \in X \times Y_\alpha$, then f does not satisfy (*). Hence Y is not co-Namioka, because X is Namioka.

We now arrive at the main problem of the paper.

PROBLEM 1. Characterize co-Namioka spaces.

Let us recall that a partial answer to this problem was obtained by Talagrand and is the main result of [12], Theorem 3.1, p. 241.

TALAGRAN'S THEOREM. *If X is compact and Y is a special K -analytic space, then (*) holds.*

(In our terminology: *Special K -analytic spaces are co-Namioka rel C , where C stands for the class of compact spaces.*)

The following problem is closely related to Talagrand's result and our theorem.

PROBLEM 2. Do co-Namioka and co-Namioka rel(C) spaces coincide?

We shall prove the following:

THEOREM. *If X is locally compact and Y is a k_ω -space, then (*) holds.*

A space X is called a k_ω -space if $X = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} X_n$ with X_n compact and increasing and if X has the weak topology of X_n 's; then this sequence X_1, X_2, \dots is called a k_ω -decomposition of X . k_ω -spaces, as σ -compact spaces are Lindelöf and paracompact; moreover, they are

precisely hemicompact k -spaces.

The set Q of rational numbers, with the usual topology is not a k_ω -space, although the same set Q with the Sorgenfrey topology is k_ω . The first example of a non-Baire k_ω -space is due to Archangel'skiĭ and Franklin [1].

Both special K -analytic and k_ω -spaces contain, as Lindelöf spaces, those spaces that are both σ -compact and locally compact. However, the relation between special K -analytic and k_ω -spaces is not completely understood.

In the proof of our theorem we rely on the following Lemma 3; the result shown in the lemma seems to be a part of folklore, however, we decided to attach a short, hopefully, new proof; compare [5], Proof of Theorem 4.4, p. 263.

LEMMA 3. *Let X be locally compact and let Y be a k_ω -space. Then the product topology of $X \times Y$ coincides with the weak topology of the sets $X \times Y_n$, where the Y_n 's are elements of some k_ω decomposition of Y .*

Proof. The space X , a locally compact space, admits the Alexandroff compactification αX , and X is open in αX . Therefore, every $X \times Y_n$ is open in $\alpha X \times Y_n$, for $n = 1, 2, \dots$.

Next, let U be a subset of $X \times Y$ that intersects every $X \times Y_n$ as an open set.

Then, for every n , the set $(\alpha X \times Y_n) \cap U$ is open in $\alpha X \times Y_n$. Hence we get that U is open in $\alpha X \times Y$. Obviously, U is then open in $X \times Y$. This finishes the proof of Lemma 3.

REMARK. Since locally compact spaces are *characterized* as open subspaces of their Stone-Čech compactifications, [5], Theorem 8.3, p. 245, we see no way of extending Lemma 3 with its present proof.

Proof of the theorem. Clearly, we are able to determine the points of continuity of f restricted to (countably many) "layers" $X \times Y_n$,

$n = 1, 2, \dots$. Now because the product topology of $X \times Y$ coincides with the weak topology of $X \times Y_n$ (Lemma 3) we can find such a *simultaneous* set, in X , whose Cartesian product with the space Y is contained in $C(f)$. In other words, we apply Lemma 3 to any k_ω -decomposition, which is a *countable* family of compact subsets of Y .

In fact, f is continuous on $A_n \times Y_n$, where A_n is a dense, G_δ (in X) and Y_n is a (compact) element of k_ω -decomposition. Obviously, f is continuous on $\left(\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) \times Y$ and $A = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$ is a dense, G_δ , X being locally compact. This proves our theorem.

Obviously, the countability of the family $\{A_n\}$ is needed to get a simultaneous dense, G_δ set of points of continuity.

Similar arguments to those given in the proof of our theorem show the following result that is closely related to Mirzoiian's theorem [9].

PROPOSITION 3. *Let X be locally compact, Y be a metric, k_ω -space, Z be compact metric and let a function $f : X \times Y \rightarrow Z$ have all its x -sections f_x continuous and its y -sections f_y continuous, for the y 's belonging to a dense subset D of Y . Then there is a residual set $A \subset X$ such that $A \times Y \subset C(f)$.*

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