

## TOPOLOGICAL EXTENSION PROPERTIES AND PROJECTIVE COVERS

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**Introduction.** All spaces considered in this paper are assumed to be (Hausdorff) completely regular, and all maps are continuous. Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a topological property of spaces. We shall identify  $\mathcal{P}$  with the class of spaces having  $\mathcal{P}$ . A space having  $\mathcal{P}$  is called a  $\mathcal{P}$ -space, and a subspace of a  $\mathcal{P}$ -space is called a  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space. The class of  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular spaces is denoted by  $R(\mathcal{P})$ . Following [37], we call a closed hereditary, productive, topological property  $\mathcal{P}$  such that each  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space has a  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular compactification a *topological extension property*, or simply, an *extension property*. In this paper, we restrict our attention to extension properties  $\mathcal{P}$  satisfying the following axioms:

(A<sub>1</sub>) The two-point discrete space has  $\mathcal{P}$ .

(A<sub>2</sub>) If each  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space of nonmeasurable cardinal has  $\mathcal{P}$ , then  $\mathcal{P} = R(\mathcal{P})$ .

The existence of an extension property which fails to satisfy (A<sub>2</sub>) is equivalent to the existence of measurable cardinal (see 5.4). If  $\mathcal{P}$  is an extension property, then each  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space  $X$  is a dense subspace of a  $\mathcal{P}$ -space  $\mathcal{P}X$  such that every map from  $X$  to a  $\mathcal{P}$ -space admits a continuous extension over  $\mathcal{P}X$  (cf. [14]). The space  $\mathcal{P}X$  is called the *maximal  $\mathcal{P}$ -extension* of  $X$ . For example, if  $\mathcal{P}$  is compactness or realcompactness, then  $\mathcal{P}$  is an extension property and  $\mathcal{P}X$  is the Stone-Čech compactification or the Hewitt realcompactification, respectively. A space is called *extremally disconnected* if the closure of every open set is open. It is known ([17], [32]) that for each space  $X$  there exist an extremally disconnected space  $EX$  and a perfect irreducible map (i.e., a perfect map which takes proper closed subsets onto proper subsets)  $k_X$  from  $EX$  onto  $X$ . The space  $EX$  is unique up to homeomorphism, and is called the *projective cover* (or the *absolute*) of  $X$ .

In this paper, we consider the problem under what conditions, both on  $\mathcal{P}$  and on  $X$ ,  $\mathcal{P}(EX) = E(\mathcal{P}X)$ . This problem was raised by Woods in [38], and the special case when  $\mathcal{P}$  is realcompactness has been settled by Hardy and Woods in [12]. We obtain, for all extension properties  $\mathcal{P}$  contained in the class  $\mathcal{AR}$  of almost realcompact spaces, several common necessary and sufficient conditions on  $X$  for the equality to hold, and also prove that the equality holds for every  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space  $X$  if and only if

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either every  $\mathcal{P}$ -space is compact or  $\mathcal{P}$  is hereditary. Here, an almost realcompact space is a space which is the image of a realcompact space under a perfect map (cf. [10]). Some of our results are generalizations of Hardy and Woods's one.

In Section 1, we review known results and define some symbols. Section 2 is devoted to a study of extension properties contained in  $\mathcal{AR}$ . Main theorems are proved in Section 3. In particular, we give ten conditions on a  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space  $X$  each of which is equivalent to the equality  $\mathcal{P}(EX) = E(\mathcal{P}X)$  provided that  $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{P}} \neq \mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{AR}$ , where  $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{P}}$  is the class of  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular compact spaces. It is also shown that, conversely, if those conditions and the equality are equivalent to each other, then either  $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{P}} \neq \mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{AR}$  or  $\mathcal{P} = R(\mathcal{P})$ . Our theory is closely related to various interesting problems about extension properties; for example, the preservation of properties of the maximal  $\mathcal{P}$ -extension under maps, the problem of when  $\mathcal{P}(X \times Y) = \mathcal{P}X \times \mathcal{P}Y$  for  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular spaces  $X$  and  $Y$ , and a classification of extension properties. These applications are discussed in Section 4. Section 5 contains a sequence of examples to which preceding sections refer. For details and examples of extension properties see [37], [13] and [14], and for projective covers see [38], [17] and [32]. The terminology and notation will be used as in [8].

**1. Preliminaries.** Let  $\mathcal{O}$  be an extension property such that  $\mathcal{O}$ -regularity is complete regularity and  $\mathcal{P}$  an extension property. Then  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}$  denotes the class of  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular  $\mathcal{O}$ -space,

$\mathcal{AP}$  denotes the class of  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular spaces that are the images under a perfect map of some  $\mathcal{P}$ -space,

$\mathcal{EP}$  denotes the class of extremally disconnected  $\mathcal{P}$ -spaces,

$\mathcal{P}^*$  denotes the class of  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular spaces  $X$  for which  $\mathcal{P}(EX) = E(\mathcal{P}X)$ . Both  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}$  and  $\mathcal{AP}$  are known ([37]) to be extension properties. We always use  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathcal{R}$  to denote compactness and realcompactness, respectively. Following [11] and [37], we use  $\beta X$ ,  $\beta_{\mathcal{P}}X$  and  $\nu X$  for  $\mathcal{C}X$ ,  $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{P}}X$  and  $\mathcal{R}X$ , respectively. A subspace  $Y$  of a space  $X$  is said to be  $\mathcal{P}$ -embedded in  $X$  if each map from  $Y$  to a  $\mathcal{P}$ -space admits a continuous extension over  $X$ . The maximal  $\mathcal{P}$ -extension  $\mathcal{P}X$  of a  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space  $X$  is the unique  $\mathcal{P}$ -space in which  $X$  is dense and  $\mathcal{P}$ -embedded ([14]), and the continuous extension over  $\mathcal{P}X$  of a map  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  with  $Y \in \mathcal{P}$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{P}f: \mathcal{P}X \rightarrow Y$ . In case  $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{C}$  ( $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{P}}$ ), we use  $\beta f$  ( $\beta_{\mathcal{P}}f$ ) for  $\mathcal{P}f$ . We list basic facts about extension properties; (a) and (b) are simple generalizations of results in [14] and appear in [37].

**1.1. THEOREM.** *Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be an extension property and  $X \in R(\mathcal{P})$ .*

(a)  *$\mathcal{P}X$  is the intersection of all subspaces of  $\beta_{\mathcal{P}}X$  that contain  $X$  and have  $\mathcal{P}$ , so  $X \subset \mathcal{P}X \subset \beta_{\mathcal{P}}X$  ([37, 1.3]).*

(b) *If  $f$  is a perfect map from  $X$  onto a  $\mathcal{P}$ -space  $Y$ , then  $X$  has  $\mathcal{P}$  ([37, 1.2]).*

- (c) Each 0-dimensional space is  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular ([37, 1.4]).
- (d) Either  $\mathcal{P}$  is contained in the class of countably compact spaces or the countable discrete space has  $\mathcal{P}$  ([37, 2.9]).
- (e)  $\mathcal{E}\mathcal{A}\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{E}\mathcal{P}$  ([37, 3.4]).
- (f) The discrete space of cardinality  $m$  has  $\mathcal{P}$  if and only if every topological sum of  $m$  many  $\mathcal{P}$ -spaces has  $\mathcal{P}$  ([13, 7.18]).

It is known that 0-dimensionality is an extension property (cf. [2]). By (a) and (c), 0-dimensional compactness is the smallest extension property. If  $X$  is an extremally disconnected space, then so is  $\beta X$ , and hence it follows from (c) that  $\beta X = \beta_{\mathcal{P}}X$  for each extension property  $\mathcal{P}$ . Therefore we use  $\beta(EX)$  for  $\beta_{\mathcal{P}}(EX)$ , omitting  $\mathcal{P}$ ; a similar remark applies to  $\beta_{\mathcal{P}}f$ . By an *extension* of a space  $X$  we mean a space that contains  $X$  as a dense subspace. The following properties of projective covers and perfect maps are well known.

1.2. THEOREM. Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be an extension property and  $X \in R(\mathcal{P})$ .

- (a)  $\beta(EX) = E(\beta_{\mathcal{P}}X)$  and  $\beta k_X = k_{\beta_{\mathcal{P}}X}$  (cf. [38, p. 328]).
- (b)  $EX \subset \mathcal{P}(EX) \subset E(\mathcal{P}X) \subset \beta(EX)$  and  $E(\mathcal{P}X) = (\beta k_X)^{-1}[\mathcal{P}X]$  (cf. [38, p. 346]).
- (c) If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is a perfect onto map, then there exists a perfect map  $h$  from  $EY$  onto a closed subspace of  $X$  such that  $k_Y = f \circ h$  (cf. [32, p. 309]).
- (d) A map  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is perfect if and only if, whenever  $S$  and  $T$  are extensions of  $X$  and  $Y$ , respectively, and  $F: S \rightarrow T$  is a continuous extension of  $f$ , then  $F[S - X] \subset T - Y$  (cf. [8, 3.7.16]).
- (e) If the composition  $f \circ g$  of maps  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  and  $g: Y \rightarrow Z$  is perfect, then  $g[f[X]]$  and  $f$  are perfect (cf. [8, 3.7.10]).

Recall from [37] that two extension properties  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\mathcal{Q}$  are *coregular* if  $R(\mathcal{P}) = R(\mathcal{Q})$ . For such extension properties  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\mathcal{Q}$ , let  $\mathcal{P} \otimes \mathcal{Q}$  denote the class of all  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular spaces  $X$  such that  $\mathcal{P}X = \mathcal{Q}X$ .

1.3. THEOREM. Let  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\mathcal{Q}$  be coregular extension properties.

- (a)  $\mathcal{A}\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{A}\mathcal{Q}$  if and only if  $\mathcal{E}\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{E}\mathcal{Q}$ .
- (b) If  $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{Q}$  and  $\mathcal{A}\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{A}\mathcal{Q}$ , then  $\mathcal{P}^* = \mathcal{Q}^* \cap (\mathcal{P} \otimes \mathcal{Q})$ .

*Proof.* (a) Assume that  $\mathcal{E}\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{E}\mathcal{Q}$ . If  $X \in \mathcal{A}\mathcal{P}$ , then it follows from 1.1(b), 1.1(e) and our assumption that  $EX \in \mathcal{E}\mathcal{A}\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{E}\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{E}\mathcal{Q}$ , so  $X \in \mathcal{A}\mathcal{Q}$ . The proof that  $\mathcal{A}\mathcal{Q} \subset \mathcal{A}\mathcal{P}$  is quite similar, and hence  $\mathcal{A}\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{A}\mathcal{Q}$ . Conversely, if  $\mathcal{A}\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{A}\mathcal{Q}$ , then by 1.1(e),  $\mathcal{E}\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{E}\mathcal{A}\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{E}\mathcal{A}\mathcal{Q} = \mathcal{E}\mathcal{Q}$ .

(b) Let  $X \in \mathcal{P}^*$ . By (a),  $\mathcal{E}\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{E}\mathcal{Q}$ , so  $\mathcal{P}(EX) = \mathcal{Q}(EX)$ . Since  $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{Q}$ ,  $\mathcal{Q}X \subset \mathcal{P}X$  by 1.1(a). These facts and 1.2(b) imply that  $\mathcal{P}(EX) = \mathcal{Q}(EX) \subset E(\mathcal{Q}X) \subset E(\mathcal{P}X) = \mathcal{P}(EX)$ , so  $X \in \mathcal{Q}^*$  and  $E(\mathcal{P}X) = E(\mathcal{Q}X)$ , and hence it follows from 1.2(b) that  $\mathcal{P}X = \mathcal{Q}X$ . Conversely, if  $X \in \mathcal{Q}^* \cap (\mathcal{P} \otimes \mathcal{Q})$ , then  $\mathcal{P}(EX) = \mathcal{Q}(EX) = E(\mathcal{Q}X) = E(\mathcal{P}X)$  by our assumption, and hence  $X \in \mathcal{P}^*$ .

1.4. COROLLARY. For an extension property  $\mathcal{P}$ ,

$$\mathcal{P}^* = (\mathcal{A}\mathcal{P})^* \cap (\mathcal{P} \otimes \mathcal{A}\mathcal{P}) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{P} = \mathcal{A}\mathcal{P} \cap \mathcal{P}^*.$$

*Proof.* Since  $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{A}\mathcal{P}$  and  $\mathcal{A}\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}\mathcal{P}$ , the first equality follows from 1.3(b). Taking intersections of  $\mathcal{A}\mathcal{P}$  with both sides of the first equality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}\mathcal{P} \cap \mathcal{P}^* &= \mathcal{A}\mathcal{P} \cap (\mathcal{A}\mathcal{P})^* \cap (\mathcal{P} \otimes \mathcal{A}\mathcal{P}) \\ &= \mathcal{A}\mathcal{P} \cap (\mathcal{P} \otimes \mathcal{A}\mathcal{P}) = \mathcal{P}. \end{aligned}$$

The inclusion  $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{Q}$  does not imply  $\mathcal{P}^* \subset \mathcal{Q}^*$  in general. In fact,  $\mathcal{C} \subset \mathcal{R}$  and  $\mathcal{C}^* = R(\mathcal{C})$  by 1.2(a), but  $R(\mathcal{C}) = R(\mathcal{R}) \not\subset \mathcal{R}^*$  (cf. [38, p. 344]). The second equality of 1.4 tells us that if  $f$  is a perfect map from a  $\mathcal{P}$ -space  $X$  onto a  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space  $Y$ , then  $Y$  has  $\mathcal{P}$  if and only if  $\mathcal{P}(EY) = E(\mathcal{P}Y)$ .

**2. Extension properties contained in  $\mathcal{A}\mathcal{R}$ .** Recall from [9] that, for a given space  $E$ , a space  $X$  is *E-compact* if  $X$  is homeomorphic to a closed subspace of  $E^m$  for some cardinal  $m$ . The class of *E-compact* spaces is denoted by  $\langle E \rangle$ . The following theorem was proved by Mrówka in [25, 4.10].

2.1. THEOREM. Let  $E$  be a space. An  $\langle E \rangle$ -regular space  $X$  is *E-compact* if and only if, given an  $\langle E \rangle$ -regular extension  $T$  of  $X$  and a point  $p \in T - X$ , there exists a map  $f: X \rightarrow E$  that cannot be continuously extended to  $X \cup \{p\}$ .

Let  $I$  and  $N$  denote the closed unit interval of the real line and the space of non-negative integers, respectively.

2.2. Definition. A space  $X$  is *ultrarealcompact* if it is  $(I \times N)$ -compact.

Some properties of  $(I \times N)$ -compact spaces have been studied by Broverman in [3] and [4]. Let  $\mathcal{U}$  denote the class of ultrarealcompact spaces. Then  $\mathcal{U}$  is an extension property such that the  $\mathcal{U}$ -regularity is just complete regularity, and clearly  $\mathcal{C} \subset \mathcal{U} \subset \mathcal{R}$ . We assume familiarity with the theory of  $z$ -filters (cf. [11]).

2.3. THEOREM. Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be an extension property and  $X \in R(\mathcal{P})$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (a)  $X$  is ultrarealcompact.
- (b) Every free  $z$ -ultrafilter on  $X$  contains a countable decreasing sequence of open-and-closed sets with empty intersection.
- (c) For each  $p \in \beta_{\mathcal{P}}X - X$ , there is a countable disjoint open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $X$  such that  $p \notin \text{cl}_{\beta_{\mathcal{P}}X} U$  for each  $U \in \mathcal{U}$ .
- (d)  $X$  is homeomorphic to a closed subspace of the product of a  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular compact space with an  $N$ -compact space.

*Proof.* (a)  $\rightarrow$  (b). Let  $\mathfrak{F}$  be a free  $z$ -ultrafilter on  $X$ , and let  $(I \times N) \cup \{\infty\}$  be the one-point compactification of  $I \times N$ . There is  $p \in \beta X - X$  such that  $\{p\} = \bigcap \{\text{cl}_{\beta X} F \mid F \in \mathfrak{F}\}$ . Since  $X \in \mathcal{U}$  and  $\beta X$  is  $\mathcal{U}$ -regular, it follows from 2.1 that there exists a map  $f: X \rightarrow I \times N$  such that  $(\beta f)(p) = \infty$ . For each  $n \in N$ , let

$$G_n = f^{-1}[I \times \{k \mid k \geq n\}].$$

Then  $G_n$  is open-and-closed in  $X$ ,  $G_n \in \mathfrak{F}$  and  $\bigcap G_n = \emptyset$ .

(b)  $\rightarrow$  (c). Let  $p \in \beta_{\mathcal{P}} X - X$ ; then there is a  $z$ -ultrafilter  $\mathfrak{F}$  on  $X$  such that  $\{p\} = \bigcap \{\text{cl}_{\beta_{\mathcal{P}} X} F \mid F \in \mathfrak{F}\}$ . By (b),  $\mathfrak{F}$  contains a decreasing sequence  $\{G_n \mid n \in N\}$  of open-and-closed sets with empty intersection. Setting  $U_0 = X - G_0$  and  $U_{n+1} = G_n - G_{n+1}$  for each  $n \in N$ , we have the desired open cover  $\{U_n\}$  of  $X$ .

(c)  $\rightarrow$  (d). Let  $K = \beta_{\mathcal{P}} X$ , and note that  $R(\langle K \times N \rangle) = R(\mathcal{P})$ . To show that  $X$  is  $(K \times N)$ -compact, let  $T$  be a  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular extension of  $X$  and  $p \in T - X$ . The embedding  $f$  of  $X$  in  $T$  extends to a map  $\beta_{\mathcal{P}} f: \beta_{\mathcal{P}} X \rightarrow \beta_{\mathcal{P}} T$ . Pick

$$q \in (\beta_{\mathcal{P}} f)^{-1}(p).$$

Then by (c) there is a countable disjoint open cover  $\{U_n \mid n \in N\}$  of  $X$  such that  $q \notin \text{cl}_{\beta_{\mathcal{P}} X} U_n$  for each  $n \in N$ . Define a map  $g$  from  $X$  into  $K \times N$  by setting for each  $x \in X$ ,  $g(x) = (x, n)$  if  $x \in U_n$ . Assume that  $g$  extends to a map  $G: X \cup \{p\} \rightarrow K \times N$ ; then  $G(p) \in K \times \{n\}$  for some  $n \in N$ . Set

$$V = h^{-1}[K \times \{n\}] - \text{cl}_{\beta_{\mathcal{P}} X} U_n,$$

where  $h = G \circ ((\beta_{\mathcal{P}} f) \mid (X \cup \{p\}))$ . Then, since

$$(g \circ f)^{-1}[K \times \{n\}] = U_n,$$

$V$  is a neighborhood of  $q$  in  $X \cup \{p\}$  with  $V \cap X = \emptyset$ , which is impossible. Thus  $g$  admits no continuous extension over  $X \cup \{p\}$ , so it follows from 2.1 that  $X$  is  $(K \times N)$ -compact. Since  $(K \times N)^m = K^m \times N^m$  and  $K^m$  is  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular compact, we have (d).

(d)  $\rightarrow$  (a). This follows from Tychonoff's embedding theorem. Hence the proof is complete.

We denote the class of spaces each of whose countably compact subspaces has compact closure by  $\mathcal{S}$ . It follows from [7, 1.2] and [8, 3.11.1] that  $\mathcal{A}\mathcal{R} \subset \mathcal{S}$ . We are interested in ultrarealcompactness because, roughly speaking, it is the smallest non-compact extension property contained in  $\mathcal{S}$ :

**2.4. THEOREM.** *If  $\mathcal{P}$  is an extension property contained in  $\mathcal{S}$ , then either  $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{P}}$  or  $\mathcal{U}_{\mathcal{P}} \subset \mathcal{P}$ .*

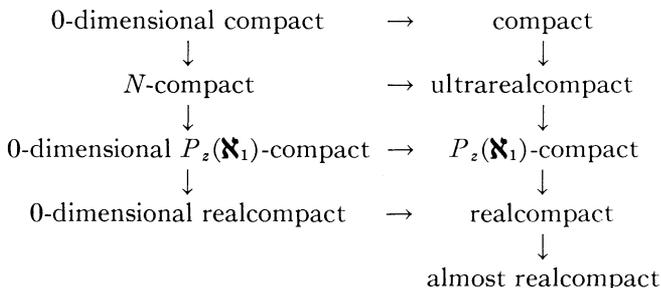
*Proof.* Assume that  $\mathcal{U}_\mathcal{P} \not\subset \mathcal{P}$ , and choose  $X \in \mathcal{U}_\mathcal{P}$  not in  $\mathcal{P}$ . Then by 2.3,  $X$  is homeomorphic to a closed subspace of the product of a  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular compact space  $K$  with an  $N$ -compact space. Since  $K \in \mathcal{P}$ , if  $N \in \mathcal{P}$ , then  $X$  must have  $\mathcal{P}$ , a contradiction. Thus  $N \notin \mathcal{P}$ . It follows from 1.1(d) that  $\mathcal{P}$  is contained in the class of countably compact spaces. Since  $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{S}$ ,  $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{C}_\mathcal{P}$ .

2.5. COROLLARY. *A space  $X$  is  $N$ -compact if and only if  $X$  is 0-dimensional ultrarealcompact.*

*Proof.* If we denote the class of  $N$ -compact spaces by  $\mathcal{N}$ , then the class of 0-dimensional ultrarealcompact spaces is  $\mathcal{U}_\mathcal{N}$ , because  $\mathcal{N}$ -regularity is 0-dimensionality. Since  $\mathcal{C}_\mathcal{N} \neq \mathcal{N} \subset \mathcal{S}$ , it follows from 2.4 that  $\mathcal{U}_\mathcal{N} \subset \mathcal{N}$ . Since  $\mathcal{N} \subset \mathcal{U}_\mathcal{N}$ ,  $\mathcal{N} = \mathcal{U}_\mathcal{N}$ .

2.6. Remarks. (i) Herrlich and Kim-Peu Chew proved essentially the same results as 2.5 in [13, 6.2] and [5, Theorem C], respectively.

(ii) In [23], Terada defined a space  $X$  to be  $P_z(\aleph_1)$ -compact if for each  $p \in \beta X - X$  there exists a countable disjoint cover  $\mathfrak{Z}$  of  $X$ , consisting of zero-sets, such that  $p \notin \text{cl}_{\beta X} Z$  for each  $Z \in \mathfrak{Z}$ , and he showed that  $P_z(\aleph_1)$ -compactness is an extension property contained in  $\mathcal{R}$ . By 2.3 (or 2.4), every ultrarealcompact space is  $P_z(\aleph_1)$ -compact, but the converse is false (see 5.1). The relationship of these extension properties to more familiar ones is summarized as follows:



The next lemma follows from [24, (iv<sub>a</sub>), p. 598] and [7, 1.2].

2.7. LEMMA. *An extremally disconnected, almost realcompact space is  $N$ -compact, and hence it is ultrarealcompact.*

Following [36], we denote the maximal  $\mathcal{AR}$ - (resp.  $(\mathcal{AR})_\mathcal{P}$ -) extension of  $X$  by  $aX$  (resp.  $a_\mathcal{P}X$ ).

2.8. THEOREM. *Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be an extension property for which  $\mathcal{C}_\mathcal{P} \neq \mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{AR}$  and  $X \in R(\mathcal{P})$ . Then:*

- (a)  $\mathcal{AP} = (\mathcal{AR})_\mathcal{P}$ , and hence, if  $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{AP}$ , then  $\mathcal{P} = (\mathcal{AR})_\mathcal{P}$ .
- (b)  $\mathcal{P}(EX) = E(\mathcal{P}X)$  if and only if  $\mathcal{P}X = a_\mathcal{P}X$  and  $a_\mathcal{P}(EX) = E(a_\mathcal{P}X)$ .

*Proof.* Note that  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\mathcal{R}_\mathcal{P}$  are coregular. By 2.4,  $\mathcal{U}_\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{P}$ , so it follows from 2.7 that  $\mathcal{E}\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{R}_\mathcal{P})$ . If  $Y \in (\mathcal{A}\mathcal{R})_\mathcal{P}$ , then by 1.1(b) and 2.7  $EY \in \mathcal{R}_\mathcal{P}$ , so  $Y \in \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{R}_\mathcal{P})$ . Since  $(\mathcal{A}\mathcal{R})_\mathcal{P} \supset \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{R}_\mathcal{P})$ , this shows that  $(\mathcal{A}\mathcal{R})_\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{R}_\mathcal{P})$ . Thus both (a) and (b) follow from 1.3.

**3. Main theorems.** Recall from [20], [30] and [31] that a map  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is (countably) bi-quotient if, whenever  $y \in Y$  and  $\mathfrak{U}$  is a (countable) cover of  $f^{-1}(y)$  by open sets in  $X$ , then finitely many  $f(U)$ , with  $U \in \mathfrak{U}$ , cover a neighborhood of  $y$  in  $Y$ . All open and all perfect maps are bi-quotient, and all countably bi-quotient maps are quotient maps. A space  $X$  is called bi-sequential if it is the bi-quotient image of a metric space (cf. [21]), and  $X$  is called strongly 0-dimensional if  $\beta X$  is 0-dimensional (cf. [8]). In this section, we consider the following conditions (1) through (10) on a  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space  $Y$ , where  $\mathcal{P}$  is an extension property.

- (1)  $\mathcal{P}(EY) = E(\mathcal{P}Y)$ .
- (2)  $\mathcal{P}k_Y: \mathcal{P}(EY) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}Y$  is perfect onto.
- (3) For each perfect irreducible map  $f$  from a  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space  $X$  onto  $Y$ ,  $\mathcal{P}f: \mathcal{P}X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}Y$  is perfect onto.
- (4) For each perfect map  $f$  from a  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space  $X$  onto  $Y$ , there exists a closed subset  $X_0$  of  $\mathcal{P}X$  such that  $(\mathcal{P}f)|_{X_0}: X_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}Y$  is perfect onto.
- (5)  $\mathcal{P}k_Y: \mathcal{P}(EY) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}Y$  is bi-quotient onto.
- (6)  $\mathcal{P}k_Y: \mathcal{P}(EY) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}Y$  is countably bi-quotient onto.
- (7) Every locally finite family, of nonmeasurable cardinal, of open sets in  $Y$  is locally finite in  $\mathcal{P}Y$ .
- (8) Every countable, locally finite family of open sets in  $Y$  is locally finite in  $\mathcal{P}Y$ .
- (9)  $Y \times T$  is  $\mathcal{P}$ -embedded in  $\mathcal{P}Y \times T$  for each bi-sequential space  $T$ .
- (10)  $Y \times M$  is  $\mathcal{P}$ -embedded in  $\mathcal{P}Y \times M$  for each strongly 0-dimensional metric space  $M$ .

Conditions (7) and (8) are formal generalizations of the necessary and sufficient condition, due to Hardy and Woods [12], for  $v(EY) = E(vY)$  to hold. Let  $(A_3)$  denote the following axiom: There exist a  $\mathcal{P}$ -space  $E$  and a fixed pair of distinct points  $e_0$  and  $e_1$  such that for every  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space  $X$ , every closed subset  $F$  of  $X$  and every  $x \in X - F$ , there is a map  $f: X \rightarrow E$  such that  $f(x) = e_0$  and  $f(F) = \{e_1\}$ . If  $\mathcal{P}$ -regularity is complete regularity or 0-dimensionality, then  $\mathcal{P}$  satisfies  $(A_3)$ . We begin by dividing conditions (1)–(10) into two groups.

**3.1. THEOREM.** *Conditions (1)–(10) are related as follows: (1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (2)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (3)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (4)  $\rightarrow$  (5)  $\rightarrow$  (6) and (7)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (8)  $\rightarrow$  (9)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (10). Moreover, if  $\mathcal{P}$  satisfies  $(A_3)$ , then (9)  $\rightarrow$  (8) is valid.*

To prove 3.1 and subsequent results, we need the following lemmas.

3.2 is due to Michael [20], and the proof of 3.3 is left to the reader, since it is proved quite similarly to [28, 2.2].

3.2. LEMMA. *If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  and  $g: S \rightarrow T$  are bi-quotient onto maps, then the product map  $f \times g$  is bi-quotient.*

3.3. LEMMA. *Let  $F_i: X_i \rightarrow Y_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) be onto maps such that  $F_1 \times F_2$  is a quotient map, and let  $S_i$  (resp.  $T_i = F_i(S_i)$ ) be a dense  $\mathcal{P}$ -embedded subspace of  $X_i$  (resp.  $Y_i$ ). If  $S_1 \times S_2$  is  $\mathcal{P}$ -embedded in  $X_1 \times X_2$ , then  $T_1 \times T_2$  is  $\mathcal{P}$ -embedded in  $Y_1 \times Y_2$ .*

*Proof of Theorem 3.1.* (1)  $\rightarrow$  (2). If  $\mathcal{P}(EY) = E(\mathcal{P}Y)$ , then  $\mathcal{P}k_Y = k_{\mathcal{P}Y}$  by 1.2(b), so  $\mathcal{P}k_Y: \mathcal{P}(EY) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}Y$  is perfect onto.

(2)  $\rightarrow$  (3). Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be the map hypothesized in (3). Since  $f \circ k_X$  is perfect irreducible,  $EX = EY$  by the uniqueness of  $EY$ . Thus  $k_Y = f \circ k_X$ , so  $\mathcal{P}k_Y = \mathcal{P}f \circ \mathcal{P}k_X$ . We show that  $\mathcal{P}k_X: \mathcal{P}(EX) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}X$  is onto. If there is

$$p \in \mathcal{P}X - (\mathcal{P}k_X)[\mathcal{P}(EX)],$$

then  $p = (\beta k_X)(q)$  for some  $q \in \beta(EX) - \mathcal{P}(EX)$ . Since  $\beta k_Y = \beta \mathcal{P}f \circ \beta k_X$  and  $(\beta \mathcal{P}f)|_{\mathcal{P}X} = \mathcal{P}f$ ,

$$(\beta k_Y)(q) = (\mathcal{P}f)(p) \in \mathcal{P}Y,$$

which contradicts (2) because of 1.2 (d). Hence it follows from (2) and 1.2(e) that  $\mathcal{P}f: \mathcal{P}X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}Y$  is perfect onto.

(3)  $\rightarrow$  (4). Let  $f$  be a perfect map from a  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space  $X$  onto  $Y$ . By 1.2(c), there is a map  $h$  from  $EY$  onto a closed subset  $X_1$  of  $X$  such that  $k_Y = f \circ h$ . Let  $X_0 = \text{cl}_{\mathcal{P}X} X_1$ . Since  $X_0 \in \mathcal{P}$ ,  $h$  extends continuously to  $\mathcal{P}h: \mathcal{P}(EY) \rightarrow X_0$ . The same argument as used in (2)  $\rightarrow$  (3) to show that  $\mathcal{P}k_X$  is onto shows that  $(\mathcal{P}h)[\mathcal{P}(EY)] = X_0$ . Since  $\mathcal{P}k_Y = \mathcal{P}f \circ \mathcal{P}h$  and  $\mathcal{P}k_Y$  is perfect onto by (3), it follows from 1.2(e) that  $(\mathcal{P}f)|_{X_0}: X_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}Y$  is perfect onto.

(4)  $\rightarrow$  (1). By (4), there is a closed subset  $X_0$  of  $\mathcal{P}(EY)$  such that  $(\mathcal{P}k_Y)|_{X_0}: X_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}Y$  is perfect onto. Since  $k_Y$  is irreducible,  $EY$  is contained in  $X_0$ , so  $X_0 = \mathcal{P}(EY)$ , and hence  $\mathcal{P}k_Y$  is perfect onto. Thus  $\mathcal{P}(EY) = E(\mathcal{P}Y)$  by 1.2(b).

(4)  $\rightarrow$  (5)  $\rightarrow$  (6) and (7)  $\rightarrow$  (8). These are obvious.

(8)  $\rightarrow$  (7). Let  $\mathcal{G} = \{G_\alpha | \alpha \in A\}$  be a locally finite family, of non-measurable cardinal, of open sets in  $Y$ . Suppose that there is  $y_0 \in \mathcal{P}Y - Y$  at which  $\mathcal{G}$  is not locally finite. Then by (8)  $y_0 \notin \text{cl}_{\mathcal{P}Y} G_\alpha$  for all but finitely many  $\alpha \in A$ . Let

$$B = \{\alpha \in A | y_0 \notin \text{cl}_{\mathcal{P}Y} G_\alpha\},$$

and let  $\mathcal{U}$  be a neighborhood system of  $y_0$  in  $\mathcal{P}Y$ . For each  $U \in \mathcal{U}$ , let

$$B_U = \{\beta \in B | U \cap G_\beta \neq \emptyset\};$$

then  $\{B_U | U \in \mathfrak{U}\}$  is a filter base with  $\bigcap B_U = \emptyset$ , so it is contained in some ultrafilter  $\mathfrak{F}$  on  $B$ . To show that  $\mathfrak{F}$  has the countable intersection property, let  $\{F_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a decreasing sequence of members of  $\mathfrak{F}$ , and set

$$V_n = \bigcup \{G_\beta | \beta \in F_n\}.$$

Then  $\{V_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a decreasing sequence of open sets in  $Y$ , and  $y_0 \in \bigcap \text{cl}_{\mathcal{P}Y} V_n$ . For, if  $y_0 \notin \text{cl}_{\mathcal{P}Y} V_n$ , then there is  $U \in \mathfrak{U}$  with  $U \cap V_n = \emptyset$ ; but then  $B_U \cap F_n = \emptyset$ , a contradiction. Thus  $\{V_n\}$  is not locally finite in  $\mathcal{P}Y$ , and hence it follows from (8) that  $\bigcap \text{cl}_Y V_n \neq \emptyset$ . Pick  $y \in \bigcap \text{cl}_Y V_n$ . For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , since  $\mathcal{G}$  is locally finite, we can find  $\beta_n \in F_n$  with  $y \in \text{cl}_Y G_{\beta_n}$ . Again using local finiteness of  $\mathcal{G}$ , we have that  $\{\beta_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a finite set. As  $\{F_n\}$  is decreasing, this shows that  $\bigcap F_n \neq \emptyset$ , and hence  $\mathfrak{F}$  has the countable intersection property. Since  $\mathfrak{F}$  is free (i.e.,  $\bigcap \mathfrak{F} = \emptyset$ ), by [11, 12.2], this contradicts the fact that the cardinality of  $B$  is nonmeasurable.

(8)  $\rightarrow$  (10). Let  $M$  be a strongly 0-dimensional metric space, and let  $X = \mathcal{P}Y \times M$ . Note that  $M$  is  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular by 1.1(c). Since  $Y \times M$  is  $\mathcal{P}$ -embedded in  $\mathcal{P}(Y \times M)$ , it suffices to prove that  $X \subset \mathcal{P}(Y \times M)$ . First, to show that  $X \subset \beta_{\mathcal{P}}(Y \times M)$ , let  $f: Y \times M \rightarrow K$  be a map with  $K \in \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{P}}$  and let  $E_i (i = 1, 2)$  be disjoint closed sets in  $K$ . We show that

$$\text{cl}_X F_1 \cap \text{cl}_X F_2 = \emptyset,$$

where  $F_i = f^{-1}[E_i]$ . Let  $(y_0, t_0) \in X - (Y \times M)$ . Then there is a map  $g: \mathcal{P}Y \rightarrow K$  such that

$$g(y) = f((y, t_0)) \text{ for each } y \in Y.$$

Since  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  are disjoint, we may assume that  $g(y_0) \notin E_2$ . Choose an open set  $U$  in  $K$  such that

$$E_1 \cup \{g(y_0)\} \subset U \subset \text{cl}_K U \subset K - E_2,$$

and let  $\{V_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a neighborhood base of  $t_0$  in  $M$  with  $V_n \supset V_{n+1}$ . For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , set

$$H_n = \bigcup \{H | H \text{ is an open set in } Y \text{ such that } H \times V_n \subset f^{-1}[U]\}.$$

Then  $(\text{cl}_Y H_n \times V_n) \cap F_2 = \emptyset$  and  $g^{-1}[U] \cap Y = \bigcup H_n$ . Setting

$$G_n = (g^{-1}[U] \cap Y) - \text{cl}_Y H_n$$

for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have a decreasing sequence  $\{G_n\}$  of open sets in  $Y$  with  $\bigcap \text{cl}_Y G_n = \emptyset$ . Since  $\{G_n\}$  is locally finite in  $Y$ , it is locally finite in  $\mathcal{P}Y$  by (8), so  $y_0 \notin \text{cl}_{\mathcal{P}Y} G_m$  for some  $m$ . Let

$$W = g^{-1}[U] - \text{cl}_{\mathcal{P}Y} G_m.$$

Then  $W \times V_m$  is a neighborhood of  $(y_0, t_0)$  in  $X$  such that  $(W \times V_m) \cap F_2 = \emptyset$ , because  $W \cap Y \subset \text{cl}_Y H_m$ . Thus  $(y_0, t_0) \notin \text{cl}_X F_2$ ; thus  $g(y_0) \notin E_2$

implies  $(y_0, t_0) \notin \text{cl}_X F_2$ , and hence

$$\text{cl}_X F_1 \cap \text{cl}_X F_2 = \emptyset.$$

It follows from [8, 3.2.1] that  $f$  admits a continuous extension over  $X$ , which implies that

$$X \subset \beta_{\mathcal{P}} X = \beta_{\mathcal{P}}(Y \times M).$$

Next, suppose that  $X \not\subset \mathcal{P}(Y \times M)$ ; then there is  $(y_1, t_1) \in X - \mathcal{P}(Y \times M)$ . If we set

$$Y' = \{y \in \mathcal{P} Y \mid (y, t_1) \in X \cap \mathcal{P}(Y \times M)\},$$

then  $Y \subset Y' \subsetneq \mathcal{P} Y$  and  $Y' \in \mathcal{P}$ , because it is homeomorphic to  $\mathcal{P}(Y \times M) \cap (\mathcal{P} Y \times \{t_1\})$ . This contradicts 1.1(a), and hence  $X \subset \mathcal{P}(Y \times M)$ .

(10)  $\rightarrow$  (9). Let  $T$  be a bi-sequential space; then, by the proof of [21, 3.D.2], there exist a strongly 0-dimensional, metric space  $M$  and a bi-quotient onto map  $f: M \rightarrow T$ . By 3.2,  $\text{id}_{\mathcal{P} Y} \times f$  is a bi-quotient map from  $\mathcal{P} Y \times M$  onto  $\mathcal{P} Y \times T$ , where  $\text{id}_{\mathcal{P} Y}$  is the identity of  $\mathcal{P} Y$ . Since  $Y \times M$  is  $\mathcal{P}$ -embedded in  $\mathcal{P} Y \times M$ , it follows from 3.3 that  $Y \times T$  is  $\mathcal{P}$ -embedded in  $\mathcal{P} Y \times T$ .

(9)  $\rightarrow$  (10). This is clear.

Finally, assuming (A<sub>3</sub>) we prove that (9)  $\rightarrow$  (8). Let  $E, e_0$  and  $e_1$  be a  $\mathcal{P}$ -space and its points as described in (A<sub>3</sub>), and let  $\{G_n \mid n \in N\}$  be a countable, locally finite family of open sets in  $Y$ . Suppose on the contrary that  $\{G_n\}$  is not locally finite at  $y_0 \in \mathcal{P} Y - Y$ . Set  $T = (Y \times N) \cup \{\infty\}$  and define a topology on  $T$  as follows: Each point of  $Y \times N$  is isolated and  $\{W_n \mid n \in N\}$ , where

$$W_n = (Y \times \{i \mid i > n\}) \cup \{\infty\}$$

is a neighborhood base of  $\infty$ . Then  $T$  is a metric space. For each  $n \in N$  and each  $y \in G_n$ , there is a map  $f_{ny}: Y \rightarrow E$  such that

$$f_{ny}(y) = e_0 \quad \text{and} \quad f_{ny}[Y - G_n] = \{e_1\}.$$

Define a function  $f: Y \times T \rightarrow E$  by

$$f((y', t)) = \begin{cases} f_{ny}(y') & \text{if } t = (y, n) \in G_n \times \{n\}, \\ e_1 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

To show that  $f$  is continuous, let  $p_0 = (y, t) \in Y \times T$ . If  $t \neq \infty$ , then there is nothing to prove since  $\{t\}$  is open. If  $t = \infty$ , then  $f(p_0) = e_1$ . Since  $\{G_n\}$  is locally finite, there exist  $j \in N$  and a neighborhood  $U$  of  $y$  in  $Y$  such that  $U \cap G_n = \emptyset$  for each  $n > j$ . For each  $n \in N$ ,

$$(U \times W_j) \cap (G_n \times (G_n \times \{n\})) = \emptyset,$$

so  $f[U \times W_j] = \{e_1\}$ , and hence  $f$  is continuous. It remains to prove that  $f$  admits no continuous extension over  $\mathcal{P}Y \times T$ . To do this, let  $V \times W_k$  be a basic neighborhood of  $(y_0, \infty)$  in  $\mathcal{P}Y \times T$ . Since  $V$  meets infinitely many  $G_n$ , we can find  $m > k$  and  $y \in V \cap G_m$ . Then both  $p_1 = (y, (y, m))$  and  $p_2 = (y, \infty)$  belong to  $V \times W_k$  and  $f(p_1) = f_{m\gamma}(y) = e_0$ , while  $f(p_2) = e_1$ . This shows that  $f$  does not extend continuously to  $(y_0, \infty)$ . Hence the proof is complete.

3.4. THEOREM. Condition (5) ((6)) is true if and only if for each perfect map  $f$  from a  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space  $X$  onto  $Y$ ,  $\mathcal{P}f: \mathcal{P}X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}Y$  is (countably) bi-quotient onto.

*Proof.* The “if” part is obvious. To prove the converse, let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a perfect onto map with  $X \in R(\mathcal{P})$ . It is easily checked that if the composition  $g \circ h$  of two maps is (countably) bi-quotient onto, then so is  $g$  (even if  $h$  is not onto). By 1.2 (c), there is a map  $h$  from  $EY$  to  $X$  such that  $k_Y = f \circ h$ . Since  $\mathcal{P}k_Y = \mathcal{P}f \circ \mathcal{P}h$  and  $\mathcal{P}k_Y$  is (countably) bi-quotient onto by (5) ((6)), it follows that  $\mathcal{P}f: \mathcal{P}X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}Y$  is (countably) bi-quotient onto.

3.5. Remarks. (i) The author does not know if in 3.1 the implications (6)  $\rightarrow$  (5)  $\rightarrow$  (4) are true or not, in general, and if (9)  $\rightarrow$  (8) can be proved without assuming axiom  $(A_3)$ .

(ii) Let (2') denote the following condition: For each perfect map  $f$  from a  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space  $X$  onto  $Y$ ,  $\mathcal{P}f: \mathcal{P}X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}Y$  is perfect onto. In contrast to 3.4, the reader might ask if (2) implies (2'). In 5.2, we give a negative answer to this question.

Next, we connect conditions (4) and (6) with (7).

3.6. THEOREM. For an extension property  $\mathcal{P}$ , the following conditions are equivalent:

- (a) For each  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space  $Y$ , (6) implies (7).
- (b)  $\mathcal{P}$  is not contained in the class of countably compact spaces (or equivalently,  $N \in \mathcal{P}$ ).
- (c)  $\mathcal{U}_\varphi \subset \mathcal{P}$ .
- (d)  $\mathcal{E}\mathcal{R} \subset \mathcal{E}\mathcal{P}$ .

*Proof.* (a)  $\rightarrow$  (b). It suffices to show that  $N \in \mathcal{P}$ . By (a) and (c) of 1.1,  $N$  is  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular and  $\beta_\varphi N = \beta N$ , so  $\mathcal{P}N$  is extremally disconnected. Since  $\mathcal{P}(EN) = \mathcal{P}N = E(\mathcal{P}N)$ ,  $N$  satisfies (7) by (a), and thus  $\{\{n\} | n \in N\}$  is locally finite at any point of  $\mathcal{P}N$ . This implies that  $N = \mathcal{P}N \in \mathcal{P}$ .

(b)  $\rightarrow$  (c). Let  $X \in \mathcal{U}_\varphi$ . By 2.3,  $X$  is embedded as a closed subspace of the product of a  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular compact space  $K$  with an  $N$ -compact space. Since  $K \in \mathcal{P}$  and  $N \in \mathcal{P}$ ,  $X \in \mathcal{P}$ , and thus  $\mathcal{U}_\varphi \subset \mathcal{P}$ .

(c)  $\rightarrow$  (d). This follows from 2.7 and 1.1 (c).

(d)  $\rightarrow$  (a). Let  $Y$  be a  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space satisfying (6). To show that  $Y$  satisfies (8), let  $\{G_n | n \in N\}$  be a countable, locally finite family of open sets in  $Y$  and  $y \in \mathcal{P}Y - Y$ . We may assume that  $G_0 = Y$ . For each  $n \in N$ , set

$$H_n = \text{cl}_{EY} k_Y^{-1}[G_n] \quad \text{and} \\ D_n = H_n - \cup \{H_i | i > n\}.$$

Then  $\{D_n\}$  is a countable disjoint open cover of  $EY$ . By (d),  $N \in \mathcal{P}$ , and hence it follows from 1.1(f) that

$$\mathcal{P}(EY) = \oplus \{\mathcal{P}D_n | n \in N\},$$

where  $\oplus$  means the topological sum. Since  $\mathcal{P}k_Y$  is now countably bi-quotient onto, there exist a neighborhood  $U$  of  $y$  in  $\mathcal{P}Y$  and  $m \in N$  such that

$$U \subset \cup \{\mathcal{P}k_Y[\mathcal{P}D_j] | j \leq m\}.$$

Since

$$\emptyset = (\cup \{\mathcal{P}D_j | j \leq m\}) \cap (\cup \{H_i | i > m\}) \\ \supset (\cup \{\mathcal{P}D_j | j \leq m\}) \cap (\mathcal{P}k_Y)^{-1}[\cup \{G_i | i > m\}],$$

$U \cap (\cup \{G_i | i > m\}) = \emptyset$ . Thus  $\{G_n\}$  is locally finite in  $\mathcal{P}Y$ . Since (8) always implies (7), the proof is complete.

**3.7. THEOREM.** *For an extension property  $\mathcal{P}$ , the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (a) *For each  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space  $Y$ , (7) implies (4).*
- (b) *For each  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space  $Y$ , (7) implies (6).*
- (c)  $\mathcal{P} = R(\mathcal{P})$  or  $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{AR}$ .
- (d)  $\mathcal{P} = R(\mathcal{P})$  or  $\mathcal{EP} \subset \mathcal{ER}$ .

*Proof.* (a)  $\rightarrow$  (b). This follows from 3.1.

(b)  $\rightarrow$  (c). Suppose on the contrary that  $\mathcal{P} \neq R(\mathcal{P})$  and  $\mathcal{P} \not\subset \mathcal{AR}$ . Then by axiom (A<sub>2</sub>) there exist a  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space  $S$  of nonmeasurable cardinal not in  $\mathcal{P}$  and a  $\mathcal{P}$ -space  $Z'$  not in  $\mathcal{AR}$ . Since  $S$  is homeomorphic to the diagonal of

$$\prod \{\beta_{\mathcal{P}}S - \{s\} | s \in \beta_{\mathcal{P}}S - S\},$$

$\beta_{\mathcal{P}}S - \{s^*\} \notin \mathcal{P}$  for some  $s^* \in \beta_{\mathcal{P}}S - S$ . For  $i = 1, 2$ , let  $K_i$  be the copy of  $\beta_{\mathcal{P}}S$  and  $s_i$  the point of  $K_i$  corresponding to  $s^*$ . Let  $K = K_1 \oplus K_2$ , and let  $L$  be the quotient space obtained from  $K$  by identifying  $s_1$  and  $s_2$ . Then  $L \in \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{P}}$ , because it is homeomorphic to the closed subspace

$$(\{s_1\} \times K_2) \cup (K_1 \times \{s_2\})$$

of  $K_1 \times K_2$ . Let  $\phi: K \rightarrow L$  be the quotient map, and set  $L_i = \phi(K_i)$  and  $Z = EZ'$ . Then by 1.1(b)  $Z \in \mathcal{E}\mathcal{P}$ , but  $Z \notin \mathcal{R}$ . Let us set

$$X = (K \times vZ) - (\{s_1\} \cup K_2) \times (vZ - Z) \quad \text{and}$$

$$Y = (L \times vZ) - (L_2 \times (vZ - Z)).$$

Since  $vZ$  is extremally disconnected, it follows from 1.1(c) that both  $X$  and  $Y$  are  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular. Note that  $vZ \in \mathcal{U}_\emptyset$  by 2.7. Pick  $z_0 \in vZ - Z$ , and set  $p_0 = (s_0, z_0)$ , where  $s_0 = \phi(s_1)$  ( $= \phi(s_2)$ ).

*Claim 1.*

$$\mathcal{P}X = (K_1 \times vZ) \oplus (K_2 \times Z) \quad \text{and} \quad p_0 \in \mathcal{P}Y \subset L \times vZ.$$

To prove the first equality, let

$$X_1 = (K_1 \times vZ) - (\{s_1\} \times (vZ - Z)) \quad \text{and} \quad X_2 = K_2 \times Z;$$

then by axiom (A<sub>1</sub>) and 1.1(f),  $\mathcal{P}X = \mathcal{P}X_1 \oplus \mathcal{P}X_2$ . Clearly  $\mathcal{P}X_2 = X_2$ . Since  $K_1$  is a compact space of nonmeasurable cardinal, it follows from [6, 5.3] that  $v(K_1 \times Z) = K_1 \times vZ$ , so  $vX_1 = K_1 \times vZ$ . Since  $K_1 \times vZ \in \mathcal{U}_\emptyset$ ,  $K_1 \times vZ = \mathcal{U}_\emptyset X_1$ . We distinguish two cases. If  $N \in \mathcal{P}$ , then  $\mathcal{U}_\emptyset \subset \mathcal{P}$  by 3.6, so  $\mathcal{P}X_1 \subset \mathcal{U}_\emptyset X_1$ . If  $N \notin \mathcal{P}$ , then it follows from 1.1(d) that  $Z$  is countably compact. Since  $vZ$  is then compact by [8, 3.11.1],  $K_1 \times vZ = \beta_\emptyset X_1$ . Thus, in any case,  $\mathcal{P}X_1 \subset K_1 \times vZ$ . For each  $z \in vZ - Z$ , since  $(K_1 - \{s_1\}) \times \{z\}$  is homeomorphic to  $\beta_\emptyset S - \{s^*\}$ , it is not closed in  $\mathcal{P}X_1$ . This shows that  $(s_1, z)$  must be contained in  $\mathcal{P}X_1$ , so  $\mathcal{P}X_1 = K_1 \times vZ$ , and hence

$$\mathcal{P}X = (K_1 \times vZ) \oplus (K_2 \times Z).$$

The second inequality can be proved similarly.

*Claim 2.*  $Y$  satisfies (7).

Since (8) implies (7), we prove that  $Y$  satisfies (8). Let  $\{G_n | n \in N\}$  be a countable, locally finite family of open sets in  $Y$ . If we set

$$U_n = \cup \{G_i \cap (L \times Z) | i \geq n\},$$

then  $U_n \supset U_{n+1}$ ,  $\text{cl}_Y U_n \supset G_n$  and  $\bigcap \text{cl}_Y U_n = \emptyset$ . Let  $H_n = \text{cl}_Z \pi[U_n]$ , where  $\pi$  is the projection from  $L \times Z$  to  $Z$ ; then  $H_n$  is open-and-closed in  $Z$ . Since  $\pi$  is perfect,  $\bigcap H_n = \emptyset$ , and so  $\bigcap \text{cl}_{vZ} H_n = \emptyset$  by [11, 8.7]. Note that  $\mathcal{P}Y \subset L \times vZ$  by claim 1. Since

$$\text{cl}_{\mathcal{P}Y} U_n \subset \text{cl}_{L \times vZ} U_n \subset L \times \text{cl}_{vZ} H_n,$$

we have  $\bigcap \text{cl}_{\mathcal{P}Y} U_n = \emptyset$ . Consequently  $\{G_n\}$  is locally finite in  $\mathcal{P}Y$ .

*Claim 3.*  $Y$  does not satisfy (6).

To prove this, let

$$f = (\phi \times \text{id}_{vZ})|X.$$

Then  $f$  is a perfect map from  $X$  onto  $Y$ , and

$$\mathcal{P}f = (\phi \times \text{id}_{vZ})|_{\mathcal{P}X}.$$

Since  $(\mathcal{P}f)^{-1}(p_0) = \{(s_1, z_0)\}$ ,  $K_1 \times vZ$  is an open neighborhood of  $(\mathcal{P}f)^{-1}(p_0)$  in  $\mathcal{P}X$ , but  $(\mathcal{P}f)[K_1 \times vZ] (= L_1 \times vZ)$  contains no neighborhood of  $p_0$  in  $\mathcal{P}Y$ . This shows that  $\mathcal{P}f$  is not countably bi-quotient, and thus, by 3.4,  $Y$  does not satisfy (6). Hence we have (c).

(c)  $\rightarrow$  (d). If  $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{AR}$ , then by 1.1 (e)  $\mathcal{EP} \subset \mathcal{EAR} = \mathcal{ER}$ .

(d)  $\rightarrow$  (a). Let  $Y$  be a  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space satisfying (7). It suffices to prove that  $Y$  satisfies (2). If  $\mathcal{P} = R(\mathcal{P})$ , then  $Y$  clearly satisfies (2), so suppose that  $\mathcal{EP} \subset \mathcal{ER}$  and

$$\mathcal{P}k_Y: \mathcal{P}(EY) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}Y$$

is not perfect onto. Then by 1.2(d) there is  $p \in \beta(EY) - \mathcal{P}(EY)$  such that  $(\beta k_Y)(p) \in \mathcal{P}Y$ . Since  $\mathcal{EP} \subset \mathcal{ER}$ ,  $v(EY) \subset \mathcal{P}(EY)$ , and hence by [8, 3.11.10], there is a map  $h: \beta(EY) \rightarrow I$  such that  $h(p) = 0$  and  $h(y) > 0$  for each  $y \in EY$ . For each  $n \in N$ , let

$$G_n = Y - k_Y[EY - H_n],$$

where

$$H_n = \{y \in EY | h(y) < 1/n\}.$$

Then,  $k_Y$  being perfect irreducible,  $\{G_n\}$  is a locally finite family of open sets in  $Y$  and

$$\text{cl}_Y G_n = k_Y[\text{cl}_{EY} H_n].$$

Since  $p \in \text{cl}_{\beta(EY)} H_n$  for each  $n \in N$ ,

$$(\beta k_Y)(p) \in \bigcap \text{cl}_{\beta \mathcal{P}Y} G_n,$$

and so  $\bigcap \text{cl}_{\mathcal{P}Y} G_n \neq \emptyset$ . This contradicts (7). Hence the proof is complete.

**3.8 THEOREM.** *For an extension property  $\mathcal{P}$ , the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (a) *For each  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space  $Y$ , conditions (1) through (8) are equivalent.*
- (b)  *$\mathcal{P} = R(\mathcal{P})$  or  $\mathcal{C}_\emptyset \neq \mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{AR}$ .*
- (c)  *$\mathcal{P} = R(\mathcal{P})$  or  $\mathcal{EP} = \mathcal{ER}$ .*

*Furthermore, if  $\mathcal{P}$  satisfies (A<sub>3</sub>), then we can replace “(1) through (8)” by “(1) through (10)” in (a).*

*Proof.* This is a consequence of 3.1, 3.6 and 3.7.

**3.9. THEOREM.** *Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be an extension property. Then  $\mathcal{P}^* = R(\mathcal{P})$  if and only if either  $\mathcal{P} = R(\mathcal{P})$  or  $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{C}_\emptyset$ .*

*Proof.* If  $\mathcal{P} = R(\mathcal{P})$ , then by 1.1(c)  $\mathcal{P}(EY) = EY = E(\mathcal{P}Y)$  for each  $Y \in R(\mathcal{P})$ , and thus  $\mathcal{P}^* = R(\mathcal{P})$ . If  $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{C}_\emptyset$ , then it follows from

1.2 (a) that  $\mathcal{P}^* = R(\mathcal{P})$ . To prove the converse, assume that  $\mathcal{P}^* = R(\mathcal{P})$ . Then, since each  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space  $Y$  satisfies (6), it follows from 3.7 that either  $\mathcal{P} = R(\mathcal{P})$  or  $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{AR}$ . Let  $X$  be the space constructed in [19, Example, p. 240]. In [36, p. 206], Woods essentially proved that  $a(EX) \neq E(aX)$  and  $aX$  is 0-dimensional. By 1.1(c),  $X \in R(\mathcal{P})$  and

$$a_{\mathcal{P}}(EX) = a(EX) \neq E(aX) = E(a_{\mathcal{P}}X).$$

If  $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{P}} \neq \mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{AR}$ , then it follows from 2.8(b) that  $\mathcal{P}(EX) \neq E(\mathcal{P}X)$ , so  $X \notin \mathcal{P}^*$ . This contradicts  $\mathcal{P}^* = R(\mathcal{P})$ , and hence, if  $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{AR}$ , then  $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{P}}$ .

3.10. *Remark.* Axiom  $(A_2)$  is useful only for the implication (b)  $\rightarrow$  (c) in 3.7 (and hence, also for 3.8 and 3.9). The author does not know if 3.7 can be proved without assuming  $(A_2)$ . We note that, by 5.4 below, the following are equivalent:

- (a) Every cardinal is nonmeasurable.
- (b) Every extension property satisfies  $(A_2)$ .

3.11. *Remarks.* (i) A space is called *Dieudonné complete* if it is homeomorphic to a closed subspace in a product of metric spaces (cf. [8, 8.5.13]). If we denote the class of Dieudonné complete spaces by  $\mathcal{T}$ , then  $\mathcal{T}$  is an extension property such that the  $\mathcal{T}$ -regularity is just complete regularity. Let  $\mathcal{V}$  denote the class of spaces which are homeomorphic to a closed subspace in a product of a compact space with discrete spaces, and let  $(7')$  denote the following condition on a  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space  $Y$ : Every locally finite family of open sets in  $Y$  is locally finite in  $\mathcal{P}Y$ . By 2.3  $\mathcal{U} \subset \mathcal{V}$ , and  $(7')$  implies (7). If we use [8, 8.5.13(b)], then the following results, concerning an extension property  $\mathcal{P}$ , will be proved analogously to 3.6 and 3.7:

(3.11.1) *For each  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space  $Y$  (5) implies  $(7')$  if and only if  $\mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{P}} \subset \mathcal{P}$  (or equivalently, every discrete space has  $\mathcal{P}$ ).*

(3.11.2) *For each  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space  $Y$   $(7')$  implies (4) if and only if either  $\mathcal{P} = R(\mathcal{P})$  or  $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{AT}$ .*

For internal characterizations of members of  $\mathcal{AT}$ , see [27].

(ii) For a space  $X$ ,  $\mathcal{T}X$  is usually denoted by  $\mu X$ , and  $pX$  denotes the largest subspace  $S$  of  $\beta X$  containing  $X$  such that  $X \times T$  is  $C^*$ -embedded in  $S \times T$  for each paracompact  $p$ -space  $T$ , where a *paracompact  $p$ -space* (= a paracompact  $M$ -space in the sense of Morita [22]) is a perfect preimage of a metric space (cf. [1]). Recently, in [29], Przymusiński proved that for a space  $X$  of nonmeasurable cardinal  $\mu X = pX$  is equivalent to  $\mu(EX) = E(\mu X)$ , and he asked whether this equivalence holds for every space  $X$ . In 5.6 below, we show that if there exists a measurable

cardinal, then there exists a space  $X$  such that  $\mu X = \rho X$  but  $\mu(EX) \neq E(\mu X)$ . Hence his question is equivalent to the set theoretic question: Is every cardinal nonmeasurable? His result quoted above follows also from 3.8 and [26, 19.1] since  $\mu X = \nu X$  if the cardinality of  $X$  is nonmeasurable (cf. [11.20]).

**4. Applications.** Let us call a property of spaces a *strongly fitting property* if it is preserved by closed subspaces and perfect images. There are several classes of spaces which are determined by a strongly fitting property of the maximal  $\mathcal{P}$ -extensions; for example, an  $M'$ -space in the sense of Isiwata [18] is characterized as a space  $X$  whose Dieudonné completion  $\mu X$  is a paracompact  $M$ -space (cf. [18] and [23]). Condition (4) considered in the preceding section concerns the preservation of such classes under perfect maps. The following theorem follows immediately from 3.1.

**4.1. THEOREM.** *Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be an extension property, and let  $f$  be a perfect map from a  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space  $X$  onto  $Y$  with  $Y \in \mathcal{P}^*$ . If  $\mathcal{P}X$  has a strongly fitting property, then  $\mathcal{P}Y$  has the same property.*

**4.2. COROLLARY.** *Suppose that  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is a perfect onto map and  $\nu X$  is locally compact. Then  $\nu Y$  is locally compact if and only if  $\nu(EY) = E(\nu Y)$ .*

*Proof.* Since local compactness is a strongly fitting property, the necessity follows from 4.1. The sufficiency is due to Woods [35, 2.10].

Conditions (5), (6), (9) and (10) concern the problem of when the relation  $\mathcal{P}(X \times Y) = \mathcal{P}X \times \mathcal{P}Y$  is valid.

**4.3. THEOREM.** *Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be an extension property, satisfying  $(A_3)$ , such that  $\mathcal{C}_\emptyset \neq \mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{AR}$ , and let  $Y$  be a  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular space of nonmeasurable cardinal. Then the following conditions on  $Y$  are equivalent:*

- (a)  $\mathcal{P}(EY) = E(\mathcal{P}Y)$ .
- (b) For each perfect onto map  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  with  $X \in R(\mathcal{P})$  and each  $Z \in R(\mathcal{P})$ ,  $\mathcal{P}(Y \times Z) = \mathcal{P}Y \times \mathcal{P}Z$  whenever  $\mathcal{P}(X \times Z) = \mathcal{P}X \times \mathcal{P}Z$ .
- (c) For each perfect onto map  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  with  $X \in R(\mathcal{P})$  and each perfect onto map  $g: S \rightarrow T$  with  $S \in R(\mathcal{P})$  and with  $T \in \mathcal{P}^*$ ,  $\mathcal{P}(Y \times T) = \mathcal{P}Y \times \mathcal{P}T$  whenever  $\mathcal{P}(X \times S) = \mathcal{P}X \times \mathcal{P}S$ .
- (d)  $\mathcal{P}(Y \times T) = \mathcal{P}Y \times \mathcal{P}T$  for each bi-sequential  $\mathcal{P}$ -space  $T$ .
- (e)  $\mathcal{P}(Y \times M) = \mathcal{P}Y \times \mathcal{P}M$  for each strongly 0-dimensional, metric space  $M$  of nonmeasurable cardinal.

*Proof.* (a)  $\rightarrow$  (b). By 3.1 and 3.4,  $\mathcal{P}f$  is bi-quotient onto, so it follows from 3.2 that  $\mathcal{P}f \times \text{id}_{\mathcal{P}Z}$  is bi-quotient onto. Hence (b) follows from 3.3.

(b)  $\rightarrow$  (c). By (b),  $\mathcal{P}(Y \times S) = \mathcal{P}Y \times \mathcal{P}S$ . Since  $\mathcal{P}(ET) = E(\mathcal{P}T)$  and (a) implies (b) as proved above,  $\mathcal{P}(Y \times T) = \mathcal{P}Y \times \mathcal{P}T$ .

(c)  $\rightarrow$  (d). Let  $T$  be a bi-sequential  $\mathcal{P}$ -space. Then  $T \in \mathcal{P}^*$  since  $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{P}^*$ . Let  $X = EY, f = k_Y, S = T$  and  $g = \text{id}_S$ . Then  $\mathcal{P}(EX) = \mathcal{P}X = E(\mathcal{P}X)$ , because  $X$  and  $\mathcal{P}X$  are extremally disconnected. Since  $\mathcal{C}_\mathcal{P} \neq \mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{AR}$ , it follows from 3.8 that  $X \times S$  is  $\mathcal{P}$ -embedded in  $\mathcal{P}X \times S$ , so  $\mathcal{P}(X \times S) = \mathcal{P}X \times S$ . Since  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  and  $g: S \rightarrow T$  are perfect onto,  $\mathcal{P}(Y \times T) = \mathcal{P}Y \times T (= \mathcal{P}Y \times \mathcal{P}T)$  by (c).

(d)  $\rightarrow$  (e). Note that a strongly 0-dimensional, metric space of non-measurable cardinal is  $N$ -compact (cf. [24, (iv<sub>a</sub>), p. 598] and [11, 15.20]). Since  $\mathcal{C}_\mathcal{P} \neq \mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{AR}$ , it follows from 2.4 that  $M$  is a  $\mathcal{P}$ -space. Thus (d) implies (e).

(e)  $\rightarrow$  (a). Observe that the space  $T$  constructed in the proof that (9)  $\rightarrow$  (8) in 3.1 is a strongly 0-dimensional, metric space whose cardinality is equal to that of  $Y$ . From 3.8 and this fact we have (a). Hence the proof is complete.

The next theorem improves [28, 3.4], and shows that “ $T \in \mathcal{P}^*$ ” in 4.3(c) cannot be replaced by “ $T \in R(\mathcal{P})$ ” even when  $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{R}$  (see 5.3).

4.4. THEOREM. *The following conditions on a space  $Y$  of nonmeasurable cardinal are equivalent:*

- (a)  $vY$  is locally compact.
- (b) For each perfect onto map  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  and each quotient onto map  $g: S \rightarrow T, v(Y \times T) = vY \times vT$  whenever  $v(X \times S) = vX \times vS$ .
- (c) As in (b) with “perfect” instead of “quotient”.

*Proof.* (a)  $\rightarrow$  (b). By [35, 2.10],  $v(EY) = E(vY)$ , so it follows from 4.3 that  $v(Y \times S) = vY \times vS$ . Thus  $v(Y \times T) = vY \times vT$  by [28, 3.4]. The implication (b)  $\rightarrow$  (c) is obvious, and (c)  $\rightarrow$  (a) is a special case of [28, 3.4].

If  $\mathcal{P} \neq \mathcal{R}$ , then a theorem analogous to 4.4 is not necessary true. In fact, if  $\mathcal{P}$  is ultrarealcompactness,  $T$  is the real line and  $S = ET$ , then  $T$  is the image of  $S$  under a perfect map and by 2.7  $\mathcal{P}(I \times S) = I \times S (= \mathcal{P}I \times \mathcal{P}S)$ , but it follows from 2.3 and Glicksberg’s theorem (cf. [8, p. 298]) that

$$\mathcal{P}(I \times T) = \beta(I \times T) \neq \beta I \times \beta T = \mathcal{P}I \times \mathcal{P}T.$$

For an extension property  $\mathcal{P}$ , the class of  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular spaces  $X$  for which  $\mathcal{P}X = \beta_\mathcal{P}X$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{P}'$ . In [37, 2.10], Woods proved that if  $\mathcal{P}$ -regularity is 0-dimensionality, then either  $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{C}_\mathcal{P}$  or  $\mathcal{P}'$  does not properly contain the class of pseudocompact  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular spaces, and Broverman remarked in [3] that this result is not valid for arbitrary extension properties. If we denote the class of  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular spaces  $X$  for which  $\mathcal{P}(EX) = \beta(EX)$  by  $\mathcal{P}''$ , then we have the following theorem.

4.5 THEOREM. *Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be an extension property. Then:*

$$(a) \mathcal{P}'' = \mathcal{P}' \cap \mathcal{P}^*.$$

(b) Either  $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{C}_\varnothing$  or  $\mathcal{P}''$  does not properly contain the class of pseudocompact  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular spaces.

*Proof.* (a) Let  $X \in \mathcal{P}''$ . Then, since

$$\mathcal{P}X \supset (\mathcal{P}k_x)[\mathcal{P}(EX)] = (\mathcal{P}k_x)[\beta(EX)],$$

$\mathcal{P}X$  is compact, so  $X \in \mathcal{P}'$ . From this fact and 1.2 (a),

$$\mathcal{P}(EX) = \beta(EX) = E(\beta_\varnothing X) = E(\mathcal{P}X),$$

and hence  $X \in \mathcal{P}^*$ . Conversely, if  $X \in \mathcal{P}' \cap \mathcal{P}^*$ , then it follows from 1.2(a) that

$$\mathcal{P}(EX) = E(\mathcal{P}X) = E(\beta_\varnothing X) = \beta(EX),$$

i.e.,  $X \in \mathcal{P}''$ .

(b) Assume that  $\mathcal{P} \neq \mathcal{C}_\varnothing$ , and choose a  $\mathcal{P}$ -space  $X$  not in  $\mathcal{C}_\varnothing$ . If  $N \notin \mathcal{P}$ , then  $X$  is pseudocompact by 1.1(d), but  $X \notin \mathcal{P}''$  since  $\mathcal{P}(EX) = EX \neq \beta(EX)$ . If  $N \in \mathcal{P}$ , then  $\mathcal{E}\mathcal{R} \subset \mathcal{E}\mathcal{P}$  by 3.6, and hence it follows from [11, 8A4] that each space in  $\mathcal{P}''$  is pseudocompact. In any case,  $\mathcal{P}''$  does not properly contain the class of pseudocompact  $\mathcal{P}$ -regular spaces.

## 5. Examples and questions.

5.1. *Example.* There exists a  $P_z(\mathbf{N}_1)$ -compact space but not ultrarealcompact.

*Proof.* Let  $X = \cup\{I_n \cup S_n | n \in \mathbf{N}\}$ , where  $I_n$  and  $S_n$  are subspaces of the Euclidean plane as follows:

$$I_n = \{(x, y) | x = 1/n, 0 \leq y \leq 1\},$$

$$S_n = \{(x, y) | x^2 + y^2 = 1/n^2, \text{ and } x \leq 0 \text{ or } y \leq 0\}.$$

Then, each  $I_n \cup S_n$  being a compact zero-set,  $X$  is  $P_z(\mathbf{N}_1)$ -compact. Since  $X$  is connected but not compact, it is not ultrarealcompact.

5.2. *Example.* Condition (2) does not imply (2') even when  $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{R}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $Y$  be the Tychonoff Plank (cf. [11, 8.20]), and let  $E = \{\omega_1\} \times N$  be the right edge of  $Y$ . Since  $Y$  is pseudocompact, it follows from 3.7 that  $Y$  satisfies (2) for  $\mathcal{R}$ . Let  $X = Y \oplus E$ , and let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be the natural map. Then  $f$  is perfect onto, but  $\mathcal{R}f: \nu X \rightarrow \nu Y$  is not even a closed map, because  $\nu X = \nu Y \oplus E$ .

5.3. *Example.* There exists a space  $Y$  such that  $\nu(EY) = E(\nu Y)$  but  $\nu Y$  is not locally compact.

*Proof.* Let  $W$  be the space of all countable ordinals with the order topology and  $Q$  the space of rational numbers. Set  $Y = W \times Q$ . Then a

similar argument to that of [11, 8.20] shows that  $vY = \beta W \times Q$ , so  $vY$  is not locally compact. Since the projection from  $Y$  to  $Q$  is a closed map with countably compact fibers, it is easily checked that  $Y$  satisfies (8) for  $\mathcal{R}$ , and hence it follows from 3.8 (or [12, 2.4]) that  $v(EY) = E(vY)$ .

5.4. *Example.* If there exists a measurable cardinal, then there exists an extension property which fails to satisfy  $(A_2)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be the class of spaces which are embedded as a closed subspace in a product of spaces of nonmeasurable cardinal. Then  $\mathcal{M}$  is an extension property and, by Tychonoff's theorem,  $\mathcal{M}$ -regularity is just complete regularity. Clearly, every space of nonmeasurable cardinal has  $\mathcal{M}$ . Let  $D$  be the discrete space of measurable cardinal; then  $D \notin \mathcal{R}$  by [11, 12.2]. If  $D$  is a closed subspace in a product of spaces of nonmeasurable cardinal, then  $D$  remains homeomorphic and closed if one changes the topology of each factor to the discrete topology, so  $D$  must be realcompact by [11, 12.2]. This contradiction shows that  $D$  is an  $\mathcal{M}$ -regular space not in  $\mathcal{M}$ , and hence  $\mathcal{M}$  does not satisfy  $(A_2)$ .

5.5. *Question.* Does every almost realcompact space have  $\mathcal{M}$ ? This question is closely related to the questions asked by Hušek in [16, p. 43].

5.6. *Example.* If there exists a measurable cardinal, then there exists a space  $X$  such that  $\mu X = pX$  but  $\mu(EX) \neq E(\mu X)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $W^*$  be the space of all ordinals less than or equal to the first uncountable ordinal  $\omega_1$  with the order topology and let  $\omega N = N \cup \{\infty\}$  be the one-point compactification of  $N$ . Let  $K$  be the quotient space obtained from  $W^* \oplus \omega N$  by identifying  $\omega_1$  and  $\infty$  and let  $\psi: W^* \oplus \omega N \rightarrow K$  be the quotient map. Let  $D$  be the discrete space of measurable cardinal; then  $D = \mu D \neq vD$ . Let

$$X = (K \times vD) - (\psi[\omega N] \times (vD - D)).$$

Then it follows from [6, 5.3] that

$$\begin{aligned} vX &= v(K \times D) = K \times vD, \quad \text{and} \\ \mu X &= vX - (\psi[N] \times (vD - D)) \end{aligned}$$

since it is the smallest Dieudonné complete subspace of  $vX$  containing  $X$ . Following [29], let  $mX$  denote the largest subspace  $S$  of  $\beta X$  containing  $X$  such that  $X \times M$  is  $C^*$ -embedded in  $S \times M$  for each metric space  $M$ . Since  $K \times D$  is paracompact, it follows from [28, 3.5 (1)] that  $m(K \times D) = v(K \times D)$ , so  $mX = vX$ , and hence  $pX = mX \cap \mu X = \mu X$  by [29, Corollary 1]. If we set

$$\mathfrak{U} = \{\psi[N] \times \{d\} \mid d \in D\},$$

then  $\mathfrak{U}$  is a locally finite family of open sets in  $X$ , but it is not locally finite

at any point of  $\mu X - X$ . Hence it follows from 3.11.1 that  $\mu(EX) \neq E(\mu X)$ .

A continuous image of  $I$  containing two distinct points is called a *non-trivial arc*. Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be the class of compact spaces containing no non-trivial arcs. Then  $R(\mathcal{P})$  is known to be the largest extension property whose regularity is not complete regularity (cf. [15, p. 329]). We conclude this paper by asking a question about this property.

5.7. *Question.* Does every space containing no non-trivial arcs belong to  $R(\mathcal{P})$ ? In other words, does every space containing no non-trivial arcs have a compactification possessing the same property?

The referee kindly informed me that  $\beta\mathbf{R}^+ - \mathbf{R}^+$ , where  $\mathbf{R}^+$  is the space of non-negative real numbers, is an example of a compact connected space containing no non-trivial arcs. The author wishes to thank the referee for his helpful suggestions.

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