

Results about S_2 -paracompactness

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ABSTRACT

We present new results regarding S_2 -paracompactness, that we established in [1], and its relation with other properties such as S -normality, epinormality and L -paracompactness.

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1. INTRODUCTION

In this paper, we present some new results about S -paracompactness and S_2 -paracompactness. First, we introduce the significant notations. An order pair will be denoted by $\langle x, y \rangle$. The sets of positive integers, rational numbers, irrational numbers and real numbers will be denoted by \mathbb{N} , \mathbb{Q} , \mathbb{P} and \mathbb{R} , respectively. The closure and the interior of the subset A of a topological space X will be denoted respectively by \overline{A} and $\text{int}(A)$. Throughout this paper, a T_1 normal space is called T_4 and a T_1 completely regular space is called Tychonoff space ($T_{3\frac{1}{2}}$). In the definitions of compactness, countable compactness, paracompactness, and local compactness we do not assume T_2 . Moreover, in the definition of Lindelöfness we do not assume regularity. Also, the ordinal γ is the set of all ordinal α such that $\alpha < \gamma$. We denote the first infinite ordinal by ω and the first uncountable ordinal by ω_1 .

Definition 1.1. A topological space X is called S -paracompact if there exist a paracompact space Y and a bijective function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ such that for every separable subspace $A \subseteq X$ we have that $f|_A : A \rightarrow f(A)$ is a homeomorphism. Moreover, if Y is T_2 paracompact, then X is S_2 -paracompact [1].

2. S_2 -PARACOMPACTNESS AND OTHER TOPOLOGICAL PROPERTIES

2.1. S_2 -paracompactness and L_2 -paracompactness.

Recall from [5] that a topological space X is called L -paracompact if there exist a paracompact space Y and a bijective function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ such that $f|_B : B \rightarrow f(B)$ is a homeomorphism for all Lindelöf subspace B of X . In addition, if Y is T_2 paracompact, then X is L_2 -paracompact.

Recall from [6] that a topological space X is called P -space if it is T_1 and every G_δ set is open. The countable complement topology defined on \mathbb{R} , $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{C}\mathcal{C})$ (see [9, Example 20]), is an example of a space that is S_2 -paracompact but not L_2 -paracompact. It is S_2 -paracompact because it is P -space, (see [1]), but not L_2 -paracompact because it is Lindelöf and not paracompact space. In fact, it is not even L -paracompact.

We still do not have an answer for the following question:

Does there exist an L -paracompact space which is not S -paracompact?

Theorem 2.1. *If X is L -paracompact (resp. L_2 -paracompact) such that for any separable subspace $A \subseteq X$ there exists a Lindelöf subspace $B \subseteq X$ such that $A \subseteq B$, then X is S -paracompact (resp. S_2 -paracompact).*

Proof. Let X be L -paracompact such that for any separable subspace $A \subseteq X$ there exists a Lindelöf subspace $B \subseteq X$ such that $A \subseteq B$. Then, there exist a paracompact space Y and a bijective function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ such that $f|_B : B \rightarrow f(B)$ is a homeomorphism for every Lindelöf subspace $B \subseteq X$. Let A be any separable subspace of X . Then, there exists a Lindelöf subspace B of X such that $A \subseteq B$. Then, $f|_A : A \rightarrow f(A)$ is a homeomorphism. \square

A similar proof as in Theorem 2.1 yields the following corollaries.

Corollary 2.2. *If X is S -paracompact (resp. S_2 -paracompact) such that for any Lindelöf subspace $B \subseteq X$, there exists a separable subspace A with $B \subseteq A$. Then, X is L -paracompact (resp. L_2 -paracompact).*

Recall from [7] that a space X is called C -paracompact if there exist a paracompact space Y and a bijection $f : X \rightarrow Y$ such that $f|_K : K \rightarrow f(K)$ is a homeomorphism for every compact subspace $K \subseteq X$. Moreover, if Y is T_2 paracompact, we say that X is C_2 -paracompact.

Corollary 2.3. *If X is S -paracompact (resp. S_2 -paracompact) such that for any compact subspace $B \subseteq X$, there exists a separable subspace A of X with $A \subseteq B$. Then, X is C -paracompact (resp. C_2 -paracompact).*

Application of Corollary 2.3:

Take $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{CC})$, the countable complement topology on \mathbb{R} . Since $A \subset \mathbb{R}$ is compact if and only if A is finite, we can say that every compact subspace is contained in a separable subspace of \mathbb{R} . Thus, $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{CC})$ is C_2 -paracompact.

Recall from [3, 4.4.F] that a space X is *locally separable* if each element of X has a separable open neighborhood.

Theorem 2.4. *Every S -paracompact (resp. S_2 -paracompact) hereditarily locally separable is L -paracompact (resp. L_2 -paracompact).*

Proof. Let X be S -paracompact (resp. S_2 -paracompact) and hereditarily locally separable and let B be any Lindelöf subspace of X . Then, B is a locally separable Lindelöf subspace of X . Pick U_x to be a separable open neighborhood of each $x \in B$. Then, $\{U_x\}_{x \in B}$ is an open cover of B . Let \mathcal{U} be a countable open subcover of $\{U_x\}_{x \in B}$ and let D_x be a countable dense subset of each $U_x \in \mathcal{U}$. Then, $D = \bigcup D_x$ is a countable dense subset of B , implying that B is separable. Therefore, since every Lindelöf subspace of X is separable and X is S -paracompact (resp. S_2 -paracompact), then X is L -paracompact (resp. L_2 -paracompact). \square

Problem 2.5. *Does there exist a topological space that is L -paracompact (resp. L_2 -paracompact) but not locally separable or not S -paracompact (resp. S_2 -paracompact)?*

Note that local separability is essential in Theorem 2.4. For example, $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{CC})$ is S -paracompact not locally separable. Observe that $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{CC})$ is not L -paracompact.

Theorem 2.6. *Let X be a topological space such that the only separable or Lindelöf subspaces are the countable ones. Then, X is S -paracompact (resp. S_2 -paracompact) if and only if X is L -paracompact (resp. L_2 -paracompact).*

Proof. Let X be any topological space such that the only separable or Lindelöf subspaces are the countable ones. Suppose that X is S -paracompact (resp. S_2 -paracompact). If B is any Lindelöf subspace of X , then B is countable, implying that B is separable. Hence, X is L -paracompact (resp. L_2 -paracompact). Conversely, suppose that X is L -paracompact (resp. L_2 -paracompact) and A is any separable subspace of X . Then, A is countable, implying that A is Lindelöf. Hence, X is S -paracompact (resp. S_2 -paracompact). \square

Application of Theorem 2.6:

Consider ω_1 with its usual ordered topology. Let A be any uncountable subset of ω_1 . Then A is not bounded. Hence, $\{[0, \alpha] : \alpha < \omega_1\}$ is an open cover of A that has no countable subcover, which implies that A is not Lindelöf. Since ω_1 satisfies the condition in Theorem 2.6, then ω_1 is L_2 -paracompact because it is S_2 -paracompact, (see [1]).

A family $\{A_s\}_{s \in S}$ of subsets of a space X is called point-finite if for each $x \in X$, the set $\{s \in S : x \in A_s\}$ is finite, (see [3]).

Recall from [9] that a space X is *metacompact* if every open cover of X has a point-finite open refinement.

Theorem 2.7. *Any hereditarily metacompact L -paracompact (resp. L_2 -paracompact) is S -paracompact (resp. S_2 -paracompact).*

Proof. Let X be L -paracompact (resp. L_2 -paracompact) hereditarily metacompact and let A be any separable subspace of X . Then, A is a separable metacompact subspace of X . Suppose that A is not Lindelöf. Then, there exists an open cover of A , say $\mathcal{W} = \{W_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$, which has no countable subcover. Let \mathcal{U} be a point-finite open refinement of \mathcal{W} . Then, \mathcal{U} is uncountable by our assumption. Let D be the countable dense subset of A . Hence, $D \cap U \neq \emptyset$ for all $U \in \mathcal{U}$ implying that there exists $d \in D$ contained in uncountable members of \mathcal{U} which contradicts the fact that \mathcal{U} is a point-finite family. Hence, A is Lindelöf, implying that X is S -paracompact (resp. S_2 -paracompact). \square

Problem 2.8. *Does there exist a topological space which is S -paracompact (resp. S_2 -paracompact) but not hereditarily metacompact or L -paracompact (resp. L_2 -paracompact)?*

2.2. S_2 -paracompactness and Epinormality.

Definition 2.9. A topological space (X, τ) is *epinormal* if there exists a coarser topology, say \mathcal{V} , such that (X, \mathcal{V}) is T_4 , (see [2]).

Since every epinormal space is Hausdorff as it is proved in [2], then the countable complement topology on \mathbb{R} , $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{CC})$, is an example of S_2 -paracompact that is not epinormal. On the other hand, the following example shows that there exists an epinormal space which is not S_2 -paracompact.

Example 2.10. Let $A = \{\langle x, 0 \rangle : 0 < x \leq 1\}$ and $B = \{\langle x, 1 \rangle : 0 \leq x < 1\}$.

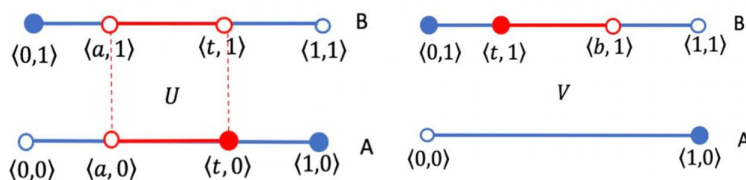


FIGURE 1. This figure illustrates the neighborhood system of Strong Parallel Line Topology (X, σ) .

The *strong parallel line* topology σ on $X = A \cup B$ is the unique topology generated by the following neighborhood system:

For each $\langle t, 0 \rangle \in A$, let $\mathfrak{B}(\langle t, 0 \rangle) = \{U : U = \{\langle x, 0 \rangle : 0 \leq a < x \leq t\} \cup \{\langle x, 1 \rangle : a < x < t\}\}$, and for each $\langle t, 1 \rangle \in B$, let $\mathfrak{B}(\langle t, 1 \rangle) = \{V : V = \{\langle x, 1 \rangle : t \leq x < b \leq 1\}\}$, (see [9, Example 96]).

Since (X, σ) is separable and not paracompact space because it is a Hausdorff and not regular topological space, then (X, σ) cannot be S_2 -paracompact.

Define τ on X to be the unique topology that is generated by the following neighborhood system:

Every element in A has the same local base as σ and for each element $\langle t, 1 \rangle \in B$, let $\mathfrak{B}(\langle t, 1 \rangle) = \{V : V = \{\langle x, 0 \rangle : t < x < b \leq 1\} \cup \{\langle x, 1 \rangle : t \leq x < b\}\}$. The topology (X, τ) is named *weak parallel line*, (see [9, Example 96]).

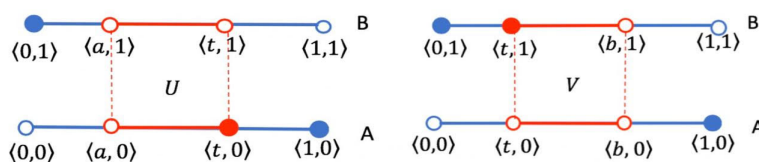


FIGURE 2. This figure illustrates the neighborhood system of Weak Parallel Line Topology (X, τ) .

Define a relation \preceq on X as follows:

For $\langle x, y \rangle$ and $\langle k, l \rangle \in X$, we write $\langle x, y \rangle \preceq \langle k, l \rangle$ if and only if either $x < k$ or $x = k$ and $y = 0 < l = 1$, or $x = k$ and $y = l$. Then, (X, τ) is a linearly ordered topological space (LOTS). Since any LOTS is T_4 , we have (X, τ) is T_4 and τ is coarser than σ , hence, we get that (X, σ) is epinormal.

Theorem 2.11. *Any S_2 -paracompact Fréchet space is epinormal.*

Proof. Let (X, τ) be S_2 -paracompact Fréchet space. Without loss of generality, assume that (X, τ) is not normal. Let (Y, τ') be a T_2 paracompact space and let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a bijective function such that $f|_A : A \rightarrow f(A)$ is a homeomorphism for every separable subspace $A \subseteq X$. Then, f is continuous since X is Fréchet. Consider $\mathcal{V} = \{f^{-1}(U) : U \in \tau'\}$. Then, \mathcal{V} is a topology on X and since any open set in \mathcal{V} is open in τ by continuity of f , we get that \mathcal{V} is coarser than τ . Observe that $f : (X, \mathcal{V}) \rightarrow (Y, \tau')$ is a homeomorphism. Therefore, (X, \mathcal{V}) is T_2 paracompact and, hence, T_4 . \square

For the converse of Theorem 2.11, we have the left ray topological space defined on \mathbb{R} , $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{L})$, as an example of epinormal Fréchet space that is not S_2 -paracompact since it is separable and not paracompact space.

2.3. S_2 -paracompactness and S -normality.

Recall that a topological space X is S -normal if there exist a normal space Y and a bijective function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ such that $f|_A : A \rightarrow f(A)$ is a homeomorphism for each separable subspace A of X , (see [4]). From the definition of S -normality, it is clear that any S_2 -paracompact is S -normal. However, we show in the following example that this relation is not reversible.

Example 2.12. An example of a T_4 topological space that is S -normal but not S_2 -paracompact is the sigma product $\Sigma(0)$ as a subspace of 2^{ω_1} , where $2 = \{0, 1\}$ considered with the discrete topology. It is not S_2 -paracompact since it cannot be condensed onto a T_2 paracompact space, (see [8]).

Theorem 2.13. *Let X be Fréchet and Lindelöf space such that any finite subspace of X is discrete. X is S -normal if and only if X is S_2 -paracompact.*

Proof. Let Y be a normal space and let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a bijective function such that $f|_A : A \rightarrow f(A)$ is a homeomorphism for each separable subspace A of X . Without loss of generality, let X have more than one element. Thus, Y is T_1 since any finite subspace of X is separable and discrete. By continuity of f and since X is Lindelöf, then Y is Lindelöf. Since Y is T_3 Lindelöf, then Y is T_2 paracompact. Thus, X is S_2 -paracompact.

Conversely, assume that X is S_2 paracompact. Let Y be a T_2 paracompact space and let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a bijective function such that $f|_A : A \rightarrow f(A)$ is a homeomorphism for each separable subspace A of X . Hence, since Y is T_2 paracompact, then Y is T_4 . Therefore, X is S -normal. \square

Recall that from [3] that a topological space X is *locally metrizable* if there exists a metrizable open neighborhood for each $x \in X$.

Theorem 2.14. *If X is hereditary Lindelöf, S_2 -paracompact and locally metrizable, then X is T_2 paracompact and, hence, T_4 .*

Proof. Set U_x to be a metrizable open neighborhood of each $x \in X$. Since X is Lindelöf, then there exists a countable set E such that $X \subseteq \bigcap_{x \in E} U_x$. Now, since X is hereditary Lindelöf, then U_x is Lindelöf as a subspace of X for every $x \in X$. Hence, U_x is separable being Lindelöf and metrizable for every $x \in X$. Since X is S_2 -paracompact and separable, then X is T_2 paracompact and, hence, T_4 . \square

Let (X, τ) be a topological space and let M be a proper nonempty subset of X . The discrete extension of the topological space (X, τ) is defined by the following neighborhood system:

For each $x \in X \setminus M$, let $\mathcal{B}(x) = \{\{x\}\}$ and for each $x \in M$, let $\mathcal{B}(x) = \{U \in \tau : x \in U\}$. We denote the discrete extension of X by X_M , (see [9]).

The following example shows that the discrete extension of S_2 -paracompact need not to be S_2 -paracompact.

Example 2.15. Consider $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{RS})$, the rational sequence topology on \mathbb{R} , (see [9, Example 65]). Since \mathcal{RS} is separable and not paracompact, then it is not S_2 -paracompact. Also, because it is a Tychonoff locally compact space, we can set $X = \mathbb{R} \cup \{p\}$ to be the one point compactification of it. X is T_2 compact, which implies that X is S_2 -paracompact. Consider $X_{\mathbb{R}}$, the discrete extension of X . Since $\{p\}$ is closed and open subset in $X_{\mathbb{R}}$, then \mathbb{R} is a closed subspace of $X_{\mathbb{R}}$. However, since $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{RS})$ is not normal, we conclude that $X_{\mathbb{R}}$ cannot be normal. Since $X_{\mathbb{R}}$ is T_2 and not normal space, then $X_{\mathbb{R}}$ is not paracompact. Since $X_{\mathbb{R}}$ is separable as $\mathbb{Q} \cup \{p\}$ is a countable dense subset of $X_{\mathbb{R}}$, then $X_{\mathbb{R}}$ is not S_2 -paracompact.

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