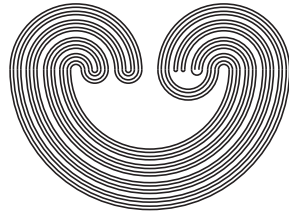


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# THE PRODUCTS OF K-SPACES WITH POINT-COUNTABLE CLOSED K-NETWORKS

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ABSTRACT. Using a technique of [2] we prove the theorem(CH +MC): Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be  $k$ -spaces with point-countable closed  $k$ -networks. Then  $X \times Y$  is sequential if and only if one of the three properties below holds:

- a)  $X$  and  $Y$  have point-countable bases.
- b)  $X$  or  $Y$  is locally compact.
- c)  $X$  and  $Y$  are locally  $k_\omega$ -spaces.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Throughout this paper, we shall assume that all spaces are regular, and all maps are continuous surjections.

A cover  $\mathcal{F}$  of a space is a  $k$ -network if for any  $K \subset U$  with  $K$  compact and  $U$  open,  $K \subset \cup \mathcal{F}' \subset U$  for some finite  $\mathcal{F}' \subset \mathcal{F}$ . A space  $X$  is in class  $\mathcal{T}'$  [7] if  $X$  has the weak topology with respect to a countable cover of closed locally compact subsets. Y. Tanaka [7, Theorem 3.1] has proven:

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be  $k$ - and  $\aleph$ -spaces, then  $X \times Y$  is a  $k$ -space if and only if one of the three properties below holds:*

- a)  $X$  and  $Y$  are metrizable spaces.
- b)  $X$  or  $Y$  is a locally compact metrizable space.
- c)  $X$  and  $Y$  are spaces of the class  $\mathcal{T}'$ .

Here an  $\aleph$ -space [6] is a space with a  $\sigma$ -locally finite  $k$ -network. A  $k$ - and  $\aleph$ -space is a quotient  $s$ -image of a metric space by [4, Theorem 6.1]. So it is desirable to consider the  $k$ -ness of the product  $X \times Y$  of quotient  $s$ -images  $X, Y$  of metric spaces. If  $X$  and  $Y$  are Fréchet, by [10, Theorem 9], it follows that  $X \times Y$  is a  $k$ -space if and only if  $X$  and  $Y$  have

point-countable bases. Otherwise b) or c) of the above theorem holds. Every quotient  $s$ -image of a metric space has a point-countable  $k$ -network by [4, theorem 6.1]. In this paper, under CH(continuum hypothesis) and MC(there exists measurable cardinal) we prove the result:

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be  $k$ -spaces with point-countable closed  $k$ -networks, then  $X \times Y$  is sequential if and only if one of the three properties below holds:*

- a)  $X$  and  $Y$  have point-countable bases.
- b)  $X$  or  $Y$  is locally compact.
- c)  $X$  and  $Y$  are locally  $k_\omega$ -spaces.

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## 2. LEMMAS

Recall that a space  $X$  has countable tightness,  $t(X) \leq \omega$ , if  $x \in \overline{A}$  in  $X$ , then  $x \in \overline{C}$  for some countable  $C \subset A$ .

**Lemma 1. (10, Lemma 4).** *Suppose that  $X \times Y$  has a  $k$ -system with  $t(X) \leq \omega$ , then the following condition  $(C_1)$  or  $(C_2)$  holds,*

$(C_1)$ . *If  $(A_n) \downarrow x$  in  $X$ , then there exists a nonclosed subset  $\{a_n; n \in \omega\}$  of  $X$  with  $a_n \in A_n$ .*

$(C_2)$ . *If  $(A_n)$  is a  $k$ -sequence in  $Y$ , then some  $\overline{A_n}$  is countably compact.*

Here  $(A_n) \downarrow x$  means a decreasing sequence  $\{A_n; n \in \omega\}$  such that  $x \in \overline{A_n \setminus \{x\}}$  for  $n \in \omega$ . A  $k$ -sequence [5] is a decreasing sequence  $\{A_n; n \in \omega\}$  such that  $C = \bigcap_{n \in \omega} A_n$  is compact and each neighborhood of  $C$  contains some  $A_n$ .

**Lemma 2. (4, Lemma 1.7)** *If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a quotient map, and if  $X$  is determined by the cover  $\mathcal{P}$ , then  $Y$  is determined by  $f(\mathcal{P}) = \{f(P); P \in \mathcal{P}\}$ .*

We use “ $X$  is determined by  $\mathcal{P}$ ” just as “ $X$  has the weak topology with respect to  $\mathcal{P}$ ”. The terminology is due to [4, note 2].

**Lemma 3.** *Let  $Y$  be a quotient  $s$ -image of a metric space, and let  $S_\omega \times Y$  be sequential. If  $Y$  is determined by cover  $\mathcal{P}$ , then  $S_\omega \times Y$  is determined by cover  $\{S_n \times P; P \in \mathcal{P} \text{ and } S_n \in \varphi\}$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $f_1 : M_1 \rightarrow S_\omega$  be a quotient  $s$ -map, and let  $f_2 : M_2 \rightarrow Y$  be a quotient  $s$ -map. Here  $M_1 = \Sigma_n S_n$  and  $M_2$  is a metric space. Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be a  $\sigma$ -locally finite base of  $M_2$  and let  $\mathcal{P} = f_2(\mathcal{B})$ .  $M_1 \times M_2$  is a metric space and  $M_1 \times M_2$  is determined by cover  $\{S_n \times B; S_n \in \varphi \text{ and } B \in \mathcal{B}\}$ .  $f_1 \times f_2$  is a quotient  $s$ -map if  $S_\omega \times Y$  is sequential. Then  $S_\omega \times Y$  is determined by  $\{S_n \times P; S_n \in PH \text{ and } P \in \mathcal{P}\}$  from Lemma 2.

**Lemma 4.** *Let  $Y$  be a quotient  $s$ -image of a metric space  $M$ , and let  $\mathcal{P} = f(\mathcal{B})$ . If  $S_\omega \times Y$  is sequential, the  $\overline{P}$  is a compact metric subset of  $Y$  for each  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ . Here  $\mathcal{B}$  is a  $\sigma$ -locally finite base of  $M$ .*

*Proof.*  $\mathcal{B} = \cup_{n < \omega} \mathcal{B}_n$  is a  $\sigma$ -locally finite base of  $M$ , Let  $\mathcal{B}_x = \{B_n \in \mathcal{B}; x \in B_n \text{ and } B_1 \supset B_2 \supset \dots\}$  with  $\{f(B_n); B_n \in \mathcal{B}_x\}$  is a  $k$ -sequence. Then some  $f(B_n)$  is a compact metric subset of  $Y$  by [10, Lemma 6]. Thus we can suppose that  $\overline{f(B)}$  is compact for each  $B \in \mathcal{B}$ .

**Lemma 5 (CH).** *Let  $Y$  be a quotient  $s$ -image of a metric space. If  $S_\omega \times Y$  is sequential, then there exists a subcollection  $\mathcal{P}_y$  of  $\mathcal{P}$  such that  $|\mathcal{P}_y| \leq \aleph_0$  and  $\cup \mathcal{P}_y$  is a neighborhood of  $y$  for each  $y \in Y$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose there exists a point  $y_0$  of  $Y$  such that we take any subcollection  $\mathcal{P}'$  of  $\mathcal{P}$ , if  $|\mathcal{P}'| \leq \aleph_0$ , then  $\cup \mathcal{P}'$  is not a neighborhood of point  $y_0$ .

A. Let  $N_0$  be a Moore-Smith net which converges to  $y_0$ ,  $y_0 \notin N_0$  and  $|\mathcal{N}_0| = \aleph_0$ . Let  $\mathcal{P}_0 = \{P \in \mathcal{P}; P \cap N_0 \neq \emptyset\}$ , then  $|\mathcal{P}_0| \leq \aleph_0$  by  $\mathcal{P}$  point-countable. If we have defined a Moore-Smith net  $N_\beta$  which converges to  $y_0$  with  $y_0 \notin N_\beta$ ,  $|\mathcal{N}_\beta| \leq \aleph_0$ ,  $\mathcal{P}_\beta = \{P \in \mathcal{P}; P \cap N_\beta \neq \emptyset\}$  and  $|\mathcal{P}_\beta| \leq \aleph_0$  for all  $\beta < \alpha$ , here  $\alpha < \omega_1$ . Then  $\cup(\cup_{\beta < \alpha} \mathcal{P}_\beta)$  is not a neighborhood of point  $y_0$  by  $|\cup_{\beta < \alpha} \mathcal{P}_\beta| \leq y \aleph_0$ . So we can take a Moore-Smith net  $N_\alpha$  which converges to  $y_0$ ,  $y_0 \notin N_\alpha$ ,  $|\mathcal{N}_\alpha| \leq \aleph_0$  and  $N_\alpha \cap [\cup(\cup_{\beta < \alpha} \mathcal{P}_\beta)] = \emptyset$ . Let  $\mathcal{P}_\alpha = \{P \in \mathcal{P}; P \cap N_\alpha \neq \emptyset\}$ , then  $|\mathcal{P}_\alpha$

$\leq \aleph_0$  by  $\mathcal{P}$  point-countable. Then, by induction, there exists a collection  $\{N_\alpha; \alpha < \omega_1\}$  such that:

- 1)  $N_\alpha$  converges to  $y_0$ ,  $y_0 \notin N_\alpha$  and  $|N_\alpha| \leq \aleph_0$  for each  $N_\alpha$ .
- 2)  $P$  meets only one  $N_\alpha$  for each  $P$  of  $\mathcal{P}$ .

B. Each  $N_\alpha = \{x_{\alpha 1}, x_{\alpha 2}, \dots, x_{\alpha n}, \dots\} = \{1_\alpha, 2_\alpha, \dots, n_\alpha, \dots\}$ . For each  $f_\alpha \in {}^\omega\omega$  let  $H_\alpha = \bigcup_{n < \omega} (\{1_n, 2_n, \dots, f(n)_n\} \times \{1_\alpha, 2_\alpha, \dots, n_\alpha\}) \subset S_\omega \times Y$ . Let  $H = \bigcup_{\alpha < \omega_1} H_\alpha$ . Here  $S_n = \{1_n, 2_n, \dots\}$  is a convergent sequence of  $S_\omega$ .

a)  $H \cap (S_n \times P)$  is closed in  $S_n \times P$  for each  $S_n \times P \in \{S_n \times P; S_n \in \varphi \text{ and } P \in \mathcal{P}\}$ . In fact:  $P$  meets only one  $N_\alpha$  by property 2) of  $\{N_\alpha; \alpha < \omega_1\}$ . Then  $(S_n \times P) \cap H = (S_n \times P) \cap H_\alpha = (S_n \times P) \cap (\bigcup_{i \leq n} \{1_i, 2_i, \dots, f(i)_i\} \times \{1_\alpha, 2_\alpha, \dots, i_\alpha\})$  has only finitely many points.

b)  $H$  is not closed. We prove  $(\infty, y_0) \in \overline{H} - H$ . Here " $\infty$ " denotes the nonisolated point in  $S_\omega$ . If  $f \in {}^\omega\omega$ , let  $U_f$  be the neighborhood of point " $\infty$ " in  $S_\omega$  defined by  $U_f = \{\infty\} \cup \{n_m; n \geq f(m)\}$ . Let  $U$  be a neighborhood of point  $y_0$  in  $Y$ , then  $N_\alpha \cap U \neq \emptyset$  for each  $N_\alpha \in \{N_\alpha; \alpha < \omega_1\}$ . Then there exists  $n(\alpha)_\alpha \in N_\alpha \cap U$ . Let  $g(\alpha) = n(\alpha)$ , then  $g \in {}^\omega\omega$ . By  $f \in {}^\omega\omega$ , there exists function  $f_{\alpha_0} \in {}^\omega\omega$  such that  $A = \{n \in \omega; f_{\alpha_0}(n) > f(n)\}$  is infinite. Because  $g(\alpha_0) = n(\alpha_0)$ , there exists  $n' \in A$  with  $n' > n(\alpha_0)$ . Then  $(f_{\alpha_0}(n')_{n'}, n(\alpha_0)_{\alpha_0}) \in \{1_{n'}, 2_{n'}, \dots, f_{\alpha_0}(n')_{n'}\} \times \{1_{\alpha_0}, 2_{\alpha_0}, \dots, n(\alpha_0)_{\alpha_0}, \dots, n'_{\alpha_0}\} \subset H$ . On the other hand the  $n' \in A$  gives  $f_{\alpha_0}(n') > f(n')$ , so  $f_{\alpha_0}(n')_{n'} \in \{n_m; n \geq f(m)\} \subset U_f$  and  $n(\alpha_0)_{\alpha_0} \in N_{\alpha_0} \cap U$ . Then  $(f_{\alpha_0}(n')_{n'}, n(\alpha_0)_{\alpha_0}) \in (U_f \times U) \cap H_{\alpha_0} \subset (U_f \times U) \cap H$  and  $H$  is not closed. Then  $S_\omega \times Y$  can not be determined by  $\{S_n \times P; S_n \in \varphi \text{ and } P \in \mathcal{P}\}$ . But  $S_\omega \times Y$  is determined by  $\{S_n \times P; S_n \in \varphi \text{ and } P \in \mathcal{P}\}$  because of Lemma 3. This is a contradiction.

**Lemma 6.** *Let  $Y$  be a quotient  $s$ -image of a metric space. If  $S_\omega \times Y$  is sequential, then  $Y$  satisfies the following condition  $(C_3)$ ,*

$(C_3)$ . *If  $Y$  has a collection  $\{C_{nm}; n, m < \omega\}$  such that*

- 1)  $C_{nm}$  is a closed set for each  $C_{nm} \in \{C_{nm}; n, m < \omega\}$ ,

2)  $\{C_{nm}; m < \omega\}$  is a discrete subcollection of  $\{C_{nm}; n, m < \omega\}$  for each  $n < \omega$ , then for each  $x \in \overline{\bigcup_{nm} C_{nm}}$ , there exists a function  $f \in {}^\omega\omega$  with the  $x \notin \overline{\bigcup\{C_{nm}; m \geq f(n)\}}$ .

*Proof.* If  $Y$  does not satisfy  $(C_3)$ , then there exists a collection  $\{C_{nm}; n, m < \omega\}$  in  $Y$  such that

1)  $C_{nm}$  is closed for each  $C_{nm} \in \{C_{nm}; n, m < \omega\}$ .

2)  $\{C_{nm}; m < \omega\}$  is a discrete subcollection of  $\{C_{nm}; n, m < \omega\}$  for each  $n < \omega$ . But there exists  $x_0 \in \overline{\bigcup_{nm} C_{nm}}$ , with the  $x_0 \in \overline{\bigcup\{C_{nm}; m \geq f(n)\}}$  for each  $f \in {}^\omega\omega$ .

Let  $A = \bigcup_{nm} (\{m_n\} \times C_{nm})$ . On the one hand;  $(S_n \times P) \cap A = \bigcup_m (\{m_n\} \times C_{nm}) \cap (S_n \times P)$  is closed in  $S_n \times P$  by 1) and 2) of  $(C_3)$ . On the other hand:  $(U_f \times U) \cap A \neq \emptyset$  for each  $f \in {}^\omega\omega$  and each neighborhood  $U$  of the  $x_0$ . In fact: for each  $f \in {}^\omega\omega$ , if  $x_0 \in \overline{\bigcup\{C_{nm}; m \geq f(n)\}}$  then  $U \cap (\bigcup\{C_{nm}; m \geq f(n)\}) \neq \emptyset$ . So, there exists  $C_{nm} \in \{C_{nm}; m \geq f(n)\}$  with  $U \cap C_{nm} \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $(U_f \times U) \cap A \supset (U_f \times U) \cap (\{m_n\} \times C_{nm}) \neq \emptyset$ . This implies that  $S_\omega \times Y$  is not sequential. This is a contradiction.

**Lemma 7.** *Let  $(XT_1)$  and  $(XT_2)$  be regular, and let  $T_2 \subset T_1$ . If subset  $C$  of  $X$  is  $T_1$ -compact, then  $C$  is  $T_2$ -compact and  $T_2|C = T_1|C$ . Here  $A|B = \{A \cap B; A \in \mathcal{A}\}$ .*

*Proof.* We only prove  $T_2|C = T_1|C$ .  $T_2 \subset T_1$  then  $T_2|C \subset T_1|C$ . On the other hand: if  $O_1 \in T_1$ ,  $O_1 \cap C \in T_1|C$  then  $C - (O_1 \cap C)$  is a  $T_1$ -compact subset of  $X$ .  $C - (O_1 \cap C)$  is a  $T_2$ -compact subset of  $X$ , then  $C - (O_1 \cap C)$  is a  $T_2$ -compact subset of  $C$ . Then  $C - (O_1 \cap C)$  is a  $T_2$ -closed subset of  $C$ . Then  $C - (C - (O_1 \cap C)) = O_1 \cap C$  is a  $T_2$ -open subset of  $C$ . Then there exists  $O_2 \in T_2$  with  $O_2 \cap C = O_1 \cap C$ . This implies  $O_1 \cap C \in T_2|C$ .

**Lemma 8.** *Let  $Y$  be sequential. If  $Y$  is the union of countably many compact metric subsets of  $Y$ , then there exists a totally disconnected sequential space  $Z$  which is the union of countably many compact metric subsets of  $Z$  and there exists a perfect map  $f : Z \rightarrow Y$ .*

*Proof.* If  $(YT_1)$  is a regular sequential space which is the union of countably many compact metric subsets of  $Y$ . Then  $(YT_1)$

is a paracompact  $\sigma$ -space. Then  $Y$  has a  $G_\delta$ -diagonal by [3, Theorem 4.6]. Then  $(YT_1)$  is submetrizable by [3, Corollary 2.9]. There exists a topology  $\mathcal{T}_2$  on  $Y$  such that  $\mathcal{T}_2 \subset \mathcal{T}_1$  and  $(YT_2)$  is metrizable.  $(YT_1)$  is the union of countably many compact subsets of  $(YT_1)$ , then  $(YT_2)$  is the union of countably many compact subsets of  $(YT_2)$  by Lemma 7. Then  $(XT_2)$  has a countable base  $\mathcal{B}$ . By [1, Chapter 6, 252],  $(XT_2)$  is an image of a subspace  $(ZO_2)$  of the Baire space  $B(\aleph_0)$  under an irreducible perfect map  $f$ . The Baire space  $B(\aleph_0)$  is totally disconnected, so is the subspace  $(ZO_2)$ . Let  $\mathcal{K} = \{f^{-1}[K]; K \text{ is a compact subset of } (YT_1)\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{K}$  is a compact metrizable subset collection of  $(ZO_2)$  by Lemma 7 and  $\mathcal{K}$  is a cover of  $Z$ . Let

$$\mathcal{O}_1 = \{A \subset Z; A \cap f^{-1}[K] \in \mathcal{O}_2 | f^{-1}[K] \text{ for each } f^{-1}[K] \in \mathcal{K}\}.$$

We can prove these results:

A)  $\mathcal{O}_2 \subset \mathcal{O}_1$  and  $\mathcal{O}_1$  is a topology of  $Z$ .

In fact:

1)  $O \in \mathcal{O}_2$  then  $O \cap f^{-1}[K] \in \mathcal{O}_2 | f^{-1}[K]$  for each  $f^{-1}[K] \in \mathcal{K}$ . This implies  $O \in \mathcal{O}_1$ . Then  $X = \cup \mathcal{O}_2 \subset \cup \mathcal{O}_1 \subset X$ .

2) If  $A, B \in \mathcal{O}_1$ , for each  $f^{-1}[K]$ ,  $A \cap f^{-1}[K] \in \mathcal{O}_2 | f^{-1}[K]$ , then there exists  $O_1 \in \mathcal{O}_2$  with  $A \cap f^{-1}[K] = O_1 \cap f^{-1}[K]$ . Also  $B \cap f^{-1}[K] = O_2 \cap f^{-1}[K]$ . Then  $(A \cap B) \cap f^{-1}[K] = (O_1 \cap O_2) \cap f^{-1}[K] \in \mathcal{O}_2 | f^{-1}[K]$ , which implies  $A \cap B \in \mathcal{O}_1$ .

3) If  $A_\alpha \in \mathcal{O}_1, \alpha \in \Lambda$ , for each  $f^{-1}[K] \in \mathcal{K}$ ,  $A_\alpha \cap f^{-1}[K] \in \mathcal{O}_2 | f^{-1}[K]$  then there exists  $O_\alpha \in \mathcal{O}_2$  with  $A_\alpha \cap f^{-1}[K] = O_\alpha \cap f^{-1}[K]$ . Then  $(\cup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} A_\alpha) \cap f^{-1}[K] = (\cup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} O_\alpha) \cap f^{-1}[K] \in \mathcal{O}_2 | f^{-1}[K]$ . This implies  $\cup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} A_\alpha \in \mathcal{Q}_1$ .

B)  $\mathcal{O}_1 | f^{-1}[K] = \mathcal{O}_2 | f^{-1}[K]$  and  $f^{-1}[K]$  is a  $\mathcal{O}_1$ -compact metric subset of  $Z$  for each  $f^{-1}[K] \in \mathcal{K}$ .

In fact:

1)  $\mathcal{O}_2 \subset \mathcal{O}_1$  then  $\mathcal{O}_2 | f^{-1}[K] \subset \mathcal{O}_1 | f^{-1}[K]$ . On the other hand  $A \in \mathcal{O}_1 | f^{-1}[K]$  then there exists  $B \in \mathcal{O}_1$  with  $A = B \cap f^{-1}[K]$ .  $B \in \mathcal{O}_1$  then  $B \cap f^{-1}[K] \in \mathcal{O}_2 | f^{-1}[K]$ . Then there exists  $O_2 \in \mathcal{O}_2$  with  $B \cap f^{-1}[K] = O_2 \cap f^{-1}[K] \in \mathcal{O}_2 | f^{-1}[K]$ . This implies  $B \cap f^{-1}[K] = A \in \mathcal{O}_2 | f^{-1}[K]$ .

2)  $(Z\mathcal{O}_2)$  is a metric space. If  $d$  is the metric, then  $(f^{-1}[K] d)$  is a compact metric subspace of  $(Z\mathcal{O}_1)$  by  $\mathcal{O}_1|f^{-1}[K] = \mathcal{O}_2|f^{-1}[K]$ .

C)  $(Z\mathcal{O})$  is sequential.

In fact:  $\mathcal{K}$  is a compact metric subset collection of  $(Z\mathcal{O}_1)$  by B). On the other hand  $\mathcal{O}_1 = \{A \subset Z; \text{ for each } f^{-1}[K] \in \mathcal{K}, A \cap f^{-1}[K] \in \mathcal{O}_2|f^{-1}[K] = \mathcal{O}_1|f^{-1}[K] \text{ by B})$ . This implies  $(Z\mathcal{O}_1)$  is sequential.

D)  $(Z\mathcal{O}_2)$  is totally disconnected.  $\mathcal{O}_2 \subset \mathcal{O}_1$  then  $(Z\mathcal{O}_1)$  is totally disconnected.

Above we have proven that  $(Z\mathcal{O}_1)$  is a totally disconnected sequential space which is the union of countably many compact metric subsets of  $(Z\mathcal{O}_1)$ . Now we prove that  $f : (Z\mathcal{O}_1) \rightarrow (YT_1)$  is a continuous perfect map. In fact :  $K$  is a compact metric subset of  $(YT_1)$  for each  $f^{-1}[K] \in \mathcal{K}$ . Let  $O \subset K$ , and let  $O$  be open in  $K$ . Then  $O \in \mathcal{T}_2|K$  by Lemma 7  $\mathcal{T}_1|K = \mathcal{T}_2|K$ . We have known that  $f : (Z\mathcal{O}_2) \rightarrow (YT_2)$  is a continuous perfect map. Then  $f|f^{-1}[K] : f^{-1}[K] \rightarrow K$  is a continuous map.  $(f|f^{-1}[K])^{-1}(O) \in \mathcal{O}_2|f^{-1}[K] = \mathcal{O}_1|f^{-1}[K]$  then  $(f|f^{-1}[K])^{-1}(O)$  is an  $\mathcal{O}_1|f^{-1}[K]$ -open subset of  $f^{-1}[K]$ . If  $O \in \mathcal{T}_1$ , then for each  $f^{-1}[K]$ ,  $f^{-1}[K] \cap f^{-1}[O] = f^{-1}[K \cap O] = (f|f^{-1}[K])^{-1}[O \cap K]$  is  $\mathcal{O}_1|f^{-1}[K]$ -open in  $f^{-1}[K]$ .  $(Z\mathcal{O}_1)$  is determined by  $\mathcal{K}$  then  $f^{-1}[O] \in \mathcal{O}_1$ . This implies that  $f : (Z\mathcal{O}_1) \rightarrow (YT_1)$  is a continuous map. On the other hand  $f^{-1}(x) \in \mathcal{K}$  then  $f^{-1}(x)$  is  $\mathcal{O}_1$ -compact. If we take a closed subset  $B$  of  $(Z\mathcal{O}_1)$  then  $f^{-1}[K] \cap B$  is  $\mathcal{O}_1$ -compact.  $f$  is  $\mathcal{O}_1$ -continuous so  $f[f^{-1}[K] \cap B] = K \cap f[B]$  is a  $\mathcal{T}_1$ -compact subset of  $Y$ . Then  $K \cap f[B]$  is  $\mathcal{T}_1$ -closed.  $(YT_1)$  is sequential hence  $f[B]$  is  $\mathcal{T}_1$ -closed. This implies that  $f : (Z\mathcal{O}_1) \rightarrow (YT_1)$  is a continuous perfect map.

**Lemma 9.** *Let  $Y$  be a quotient  $s$ -image of a metric space, and let  $S_\omega \times Y$  be a sequential space. Suppose that there exists  $\mathcal{P}' = \{P_n \in \mathcal{P}; n < \omega\}$  and  $\{S_n; n < \omega\}$  such that for each convergent sequence  $S \cup \{x\}$  of  $Y$  and each  $P_n \in \mathcal{P}'$ , if  $|(S \cup \{x\}) \cap P_n| < \aleph_0$  then  $(S \cup \{x\}) \setminus (\cup\{S_n : n < \omega\})$  is finite. Then  $Y$  is a  $k_\omega$ -space.*



*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{P}'' = \{P \in \mathcal{P}; P \cap (\cup_{n < \omega} S_n) \neq \emptyset\}$  then  $|\mathcal{P}''| \leq \aleph_0$  since  $\mathcal{P}$  point-countable and  $|\cup_{n < \omega} S_n| \leq \aleph_0$ . Suppose that  $B$  is not closed then there exists a convergent sequence  $S \cup \{x\}$  such that  $(S \cup \{x\}) \cap B$  is not closed in  $S \cup \{x\}$ . We may assume  $S \subset B$  without loss of generality. If there exists a  $P_n \in \mathcal{P}'$  with  $|P_n \cap S| = \aleph_0$ , then  $\overline{P_n} \cap B$  is not closed in  $\overline{P_n}$ . If  $|P_n \cap S| < \aleph_0$  for each  $P_n \in \mathcal{P}'$ , then  $S \cup \{x\} \setminus (\cup\{S_n : n < \omega\})$  is finite.  $S$  is not closed then there exists a  $P$  such that  $P \cap S$  is not closed in  $P$ . This  $P \in \mathcal{P}''$  and  $B \cap \overline{P}$  are not closed in  $\overline{P}$ . We prove that  $Y$  is determined by  $\{\overline{P}; P \in \mathcal{P}' \text{ or } P \in \mathcal{P}''\}$ . Then  $Y$  is a  $k_\omega$ -space by Lemma 4.

**Lemma 10.** *Let  $f : Z \rightarrow Y$  be a perfect map. If  $Z$  is sequential then  $S_\omega \times Z$  is sequential if and only if  $S_\omega \times Y$  is sequential.*

*Proof.* Let  $I_{S_\omega} : S_\omega \rightarrow S_\omega$  be an identity map. Then  $I_{S_\omega} \times f : S_\omega \times Z \rightarrow S_\omega \times Y$  is a perfect map. If  $S_\omega \times Z$  is sequential then  $S_\omega \times Y$  is sequential. On the other hand: If  $S_\omega \times Y$  is sequential then  $S_\omega \times Z$  is a  $k$ -space. Since each compact subset of  $S_\omega \times Z$  is a metric subset then  $S_\omega \times Z$  is sequential.

**Remark.** In order to show the following Lemma 11, we shall use the assumption MC( there exists measurable cardinal) and a technique of [2]. The author does not know whether the assumption MC of Lemma 11 can be omitted. We say that  $C$  is a Cantor set if  $C$  is homeomorphic to  $\{0, 1\}^\omega$ .

**Lemma 11.** (CH + MC). *Let  $Y$  be a  $k$ -space with a point-countable closed  $k$ -network  $\{P_\alpha; \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ . If  $S_\omega \times Y$  is a  $k$ -space, then  $Y$  is a locally  $k_\omega$ -space.*

*Proof.* We may assume  $Y$  is a quotient  $s$ -image of a metric space by [4, Theorem 6.1]. Firstly; each point  $y$  of  $Y$  has a neighborhood  $U$  which is the union of countably many compact metric subsets of  $Y$  by Lemma 5. Let  $U$  be a closed neighborhood.  $S_\omega \times Y$  is a  $k$ -space then  $S_\omega \times U$  is sequential. Hence  $S_\omega \times U$  is a sequential subspace. Without loss of generality, let  $Y = U = \cup_{n < \omega} P_n$ . We prove that  $Y$  is a  $k_\omega$ -space.

Suppose that  $Y$  is not a  $k_\omega$ -space.

Let  $S_0 = \emptyset$ ,  $\mathcal{P}_0' = \{P_n; \cup_{n < \omega} P_n = Y\}$ , then there exists a sequence  $S_1$  converging to  $x_1$  and  $|P_n \cap \bar{S}_1| < \aleph_0$  for each  $P_n \in \mathcal{P}_0'$ . Here  $\bar{S}_1 = S_1 \cup \{x_1\}$ . Let  $\mathcal{P}'_1 = \{P \in \mathcal{P}; P \cap \bar{S}_1 \neq \emptyset\}$ .  $|\mathcal{P}'_1| \leq \aleph_0$  since  $\mathcal{P}$  point-countable. Let  $\alpha < \omega_1$ . Suppose that for each  $\beta < \alpha$  we have taken  $S_\beta$  such that

- 1)  $S_\beta$  converges to  $x_\beta$ ,  $x_\beta \notin S_\beta$  and  $\bar{S}_\beta = S_\beta \cup \{x_\beta\}$ .
- 2)  $|P \cap S_\beta| < \aleph_0$  for each  $P \in \cup_{\delta < \beta} \mathcal{P}_\delta$ .

3)  $\mathcal{P}'_\beta = \{P \in \mathcal{P}; P \cap \bar{S}_\beta \neq \emptyset\}$ . Because of  $|\cup_{\beta < \alpha} \mathcal{P}'_\beta| \leq \aleph_0$   $|\{S_\beta; \beta < \alpha\}| \leq \aleph_0$  and Lemma 9 there exists sequence  $S_\alpha$  converging to  $x_\alpha$  such that 1)  $|P \cap \bar{S}_\alpha| < \aleph_0$  for each  $P \in \cup_{\beta < \alpha} \mathcal{P}'_\beta$ . 2)  $S_\alpha \cap (\cup_{\beta < \alpha} S_\beta) = \emptyset$ . Let  $\mathcal{P}'_\alpha = \{P \in \mathcal{P}; P \cap \bar{S}_\alpha \neq \emptyset\}$  then  $|\mathcal{P}'_\alpha| \leq \aleph_0$ . Then, by induction, there exists a collection  $\varphi' = \{S_\alpha; \alpha < \omega_1\}$  such that:

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- 1)  $S_\alpha$  converges to  $x_\alpha$ ,  $x_\alpha \notin S_\alpha$  and  $\bar{S}_\alpha = S_\alpha \cup \{x_\alpha\}$  for each  $S_\alpha \in \varphi'$ .
- 2)  $|S_\alpha \cap P| < \aleph_0$  for each  $P \in \cup_{\beta < \alpha} \mathcal{P}'_\beta$ .
- 3) If  $\beta < \alpha$  then  $S_\beta \cap S_\alpha = \emptyset$ .
- 4) Let  $E = \{x_\alpha; S_\alpha \text{ converges to } x_\alpha \text{ and } \alpha < \omega_1\}$ . Then  $|E| = \aleph_1$ , so we may assume  $x_\beta \neq x_\alpha$  for  $\beta < \alpha$ .

In fact: If  $|E| = \aleph_0$  then there exists an  $x_{\alpha_0}$  with  $|\{\alpha_\beta : x_{\alpha_\beta} = x_{\alpha_0}, x_{\alpha_\beta} \in E\}| = \aleph_1$ .  $S_{\alpha_0}$  is not closed, so there exists a  $P_{\alpha_0} \in \mathcal{P}$  such that  $P_{\alpha_0} \cap S_{\alpha_0}$  is not closed in  $P_{\alpha_0}$ . Then  $|P_{\alpha_0} \cap S_{\alpha_0}| = \aleph_0$  and the  $x_{\alpha_0} \in P_{\alpha_0} \in \mathcal{P}'_{\alpha_0}$ . Let  $\beta < \omega_1$ . For each  $\delta < \beta$ ,  $P_{\alpha_\delta} \cap S_{\alpha_\delta}$  is not closed in  $P_{\alpha_\delta}$ ,  $|P_{\alpha_\delta} \cap S_{\alpha_\delta}| = \aleph_0$  and  $x_{\alpha_0} = x_{\alpha_\delta} \in P_{\alpha_\delta} \in \mathcal{P}'_{\alpha_\delta}$ . Since  $S_{\alpha_\beta}$  is not closed, then there exists a  $P \in \mathcal{P}$  such that  $P \cap S_{\alpha_\beta}$  is not closed in  $P$ . Then  $|P \cap S_{\alpha_\beta}| = \aleph_0$  and  $x_{\alpha_0} = x_{\alpha_\beta} \in P_{\alpha_\beta} \in \mathcal{P}'_{\alpha_\beta}$ . Since for each  $\delta < \beta$ ,  $|P_{\alpha_\delta} \cap S_{\alpha_\delta}| = \aleph_0$  hence  $P_{\alpha_\delta} \in \mathcal{P}'_{\alpha_\delta}$  and  $\mathcal{P}'_{\alpha_\delta} \subset \cup_{\delta' < \alpha_\beta} \mathcal{P}'_{\delta'}$ . Then  $|P_{\alpha_\delta} \cap S_{\alpha_\beta}| < \aleph_0$  and  $P_{\alpha_\beta} \notin \{P_{\alpha_\delta}; \delta < \beta\}$  by  $|P_{\alpha_\beta} \cap S_{\alpha_\beta}| = \aleph_0$ . By induction there exists a collection  $\{P_{\alpha_\beta}; \beta < \omega_1\}$  such that  $|\{P_{\alpha_\beta}; \beta < \omega_1\}| = \aleph_1$  and  $x_{\alpha_0} \in \cap_{\beta < \omega_1} P_{\alpha_\beta}$ . This contradicts the point-countable of  $\mathcal{P}$ . Thus we any assume  $x_\beta \neq x_\alpha$  for  $\beta < \alpha$ . The following shows that we may assume  $E$  contains a Cantor set  $C$ .

As  $Y = \cup_{n < \omega} P_n$ , by Lemma 8, there exists a sequential space  $Z$  which is the union of countable many compact metric subsets of  $Z$  and there exists a perfect map  $f : Z \rightarrow Y$  such that  $f^{-1}[Y] = Z$  is determined by  $\{f^{-1}[P]; P \in \mathcal{P}\}$ .  $\{f^{-1}[P]; P \in \mathcal{P}\}$  is a point-countable cover of  $Z$  and  $f^{-1}[\overline{P}] = \overline{f^{-1}[P]}$  is compact.  $Y$  is not a  $k_\omega$ -space, so  $Z$  is not a  $k_\omega$ -space. Analogously we can prove that there exists a collection  $\{S_\alpha; \alpha < \omega_1\}$  with property  $(C^*)$ .  $f^{-1}(\overline{P}_0)$  is a totally disconnected compact metrizable subset of  $Z$  and  $|f^{-1}[\overline{P}]_0 \cap E| = \aleph_1$  so there exists a Cantor set  $C$  with  $|C \cap E \cap f^{-1}[\overline{P}_0]| = \aleph_1$ . MC implies that every uncountable subset of Cantor set contains a Cantor set. Then  $E$  contains a Cantor set  $C$ . By Lemma 10,  $S_\omega \times Y$  is sequential if and only if  $S_\omega \times Z$  is sequential. Then we may assume  $E$  contains a Cantor set  $C$ .  $Y$  is a submetric space, then there exists an  $(YT_2)$  which is a metric space with  $T_2 \subset T_1$ . Here  $(YT_1)$  is a sequential space. Let  $d$  be a metric for  $(YT_2)$ . Then  $d$ -open ball of  $(YT_2)$  is open in  $(YT_1)$  and every  $T_1$ -compact set is a  $T_2$ -compact set by Lemma 7.

A) Let  $C = \{x_\alpha; \alpha < \omega_1\}$  be a Cantor subset of  $E$ . Let  $\varphi = \{S_\alpha \in \varphi'; S_\alpha \text{ converges to } x_\alpha \text{ and } x_\alpha \in C\}$ .

Since  $C$  is a compact metric subset and  $\mathcal{P}$  is a point-countable collection, there are only countably many  $P$  with  $O_C(P \cap C) \neq \emptyset$ . Here  $O_C(P \cap C)$  denotes the interior of  $P \cap C$  in the subspace  $C$ . Let  $\mathcal{P}'_0 = \{P \in \mathcal{P}; O_C(P \cap C) \neq \emptyset\} = \{P_n; n < \omega\}$ . Then for each  $P \in \mathcal{P} \setminus \mathcal{P}'_0$ ,  $O_C(P \cap C) = \emptyset$  that is,  $P \cap C$  is nowhere dense in  $C$  since  $\mathcal{P}$  is a collection of closed subsets of  $Y$ . Now pick a  $y_0 \in C$ . Let  $\mathcal{P}_0 = \{P \in \mathcal{P} \setminus \mathcal{P}'_0; y_0 \in P\} = \{P_{1n}; n < \omega\}$ . If  $y_\beta$  and  $\mathcal{P}_\beta$  have been defined for all  $\beta < \alpha$ , where  $\alpha < \omega_1$ , pick a  $y_\alpha \in C \setminus [\cup(\cup_{\beta < \alpha} \mathcal{P}_\beta)]$ . Because the Cantor set  $C$  can not be denoted as the union of countably many nowhere dense subsets of  $C$ . Let  $\mathcal{P}_\alpha = \{P \in \mathcal{P} \setminus \mathcal{P}'_0; y_\alpha \in P\} = \{P_{\alpha n}; n < \omega\}$ . Then, by induction, there exists a subset  $A = \{y_\alpha; \alpha < \omega_1\}$  of  $C$  with  $|A| = \aleph_1$ . Then there exists a Cantor set  $C_0$  of  $A$  with  $|P \cap C_0| \leq 1$  for each  $P \in \mathcal{P} \setminus \mathcal{P}'_0$ . If  $P_n \in \mathcal{P}'_0$ , then at most there exists one  $S_{\alpha_n} \in \varphi$  with  $|S_{\alpha_n} \cap P_n| = \aleph_0$  by 2) of  $(C^*)$ . Let  $\alpha_0 = \sup\{\alpha_n; |S_{\alpha_n} \cap P_n| = \aleph_0 \text{ and } P_n \in \mathcal{P}'_0\}$ . If  $\alpha > \alpha_0$  then  $|S_\alpha \cap P_n| < \aleph_0$ . Thus we may assume without loss of generality that

- 1)  $|P \cap C| \leq 1$  for each  $P \in \mathcal{P} \setminus \mathcal{P}'_0$ .
- 2)  $|P_n \cap S_\alpha| < \aleph_0$  for each  $S_\alpha \in \varphi$  and each  $P_n \in \mathcal{P}'_0$ .

B) Let  $C(0)$  and  $C(1)$  be two Cantor subsets of  $C$  with  $C(0) \cap C(1) = \emptyset$ . Let  $d(C(0), C(1)) = r_1 > 2/n_1$ , and let  $V(\delta_1)$  be a  $1/n_1$  open ball of  $C(\delta_1)$  in  $(Y\mathcal{T}_2)$ . Let  $\varphi(\delta_1) = \{(S_\alpha \cap V(\delta_1)) \setminus (P_1 \cup C_0); S_\alpha \in \varphi, S_\alpha \text{ converges to } x_\alpha \text{ and } x_\alpha \in C(\delta_1)\}$ . Here  $P_1 \in \mathcal{P}_0$ ,  $\delta_1 = 0, 1$ . If  $x_\alpha \in C(\delta_1)$ , then  $(S_\alpha \cap V(\delta_1)) \setminus (P_1 \cup C_0)$  is a sequence which converges to  $x_\alpha$ . Then  $|\varphi(\delta_1)| = \aleph_1$  and  $\cup\varphi(\delta_1) \subset V(\delta_1) \setminus (P_1 \cup C_0)$ .  $V(\delta_1) \setminus (P_1 \cup C_0)$  is an open subset of  $Y$  which is the union of countably many compact metric subsets of  $Y$ . Then there exists a compact metric subset  $K(\delta_1)$  which is a subset of  $V(\delta_1) \setminus (P_1 \cup C_0)$  such that  $K(\delta_1)$  meets  $\aleph_1$ -many sequences in  $\varphi(\delta_1)$ . Let

$$D(\delta_1) = \{x_\alpha \in C(\delta_1); S_\alpha \in \varphi(\delta_1), S_\alpha \cap K(\delta_1) \neq \emptyset \text{ and } S_\alpha \text{ converges to } x_\alpha\},$$

then  $|D(\delta_1)| = \aleph_1$ .

If it has been defined that :

- a)  $\{C(\delta_1\delta_2 \dots \delta_n); \delta_i = 0, 1. i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  is a collection of mutually disjoint Cantor sets.
- b)  $\{V(\delta_1\delta_2 \dots \delta_n); \delta_i = 0, 1. i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  is a collection of mutually disjoint open balls such that

$$V(\delta_1\delta_2 \dots \delta_n) \cap [\cup_{j \leq n-1} (\cup\{K(\delta_1\delta_2 \dots \delta_j); \delta_i = 0, 1. i = 1, 2, \dots, j\})] = \emptyset.$$

Here  $V(\delta_1\delta_2 \dots \delta_n) = \{y; d(y, C(\delta_1\delta_2 \dots \delta_n)) < 1/n_n\}$ .

- c)  $\{\varphi(\delta_1\delta_2 \dots \delta_n); \delta_i = 0, 1, . i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  such that  $\varphi(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n) = \{(S_\alpha \cap V(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n)) - (P_1 \cup \dots \cup P_n \cup C_0); S_\alpha \in \varphi(\delta_1 \dots \delta_{n-1}), S_\alpha \text{ converges to } x_\alpha \text{ and } x_\alpha \in C(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n)\}$  and  $|\varphi(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n)| = \aleph_1$ , here  $P_i \in \mathcal{P}'_0 = \{P_n \in \mathcal{P}; O_C(P_n \cap C) \neq \emptyset\}$ .

- d)  $\{K(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n); \delta_i = 0, 1. i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  is a collection of compact subsets such that  $K(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n)$  is a subset of open subset  $V(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n) \setminus (P_1 \cup \dots \cup P_n \cup C_0)$  and  $|\{S_\alpha \in \varphi(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n); S_\alpha \cap K(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n) \neq \emptyset\}| = \aleph_1$ .

e)  $\{D(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n); \delta_i = 0, 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , where  $D(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n) = \{x_\alpha \in C(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n); S_\alpha \in \varphi(\delta_1 \delta_2 \dots \delta_n), S_\alpha \text{ converges to } x_\alpha \text{ and } S_\alpha \cap K(\delta_1 \delta_2 \dots \delta_n) \neq \emptyset\} \subset C(\delta_1 \delta_2 \dots \delta_n)$ .

Take  $C(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n 0)$  and  $C(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n 1)$  which are two disjoint Cantor subsets of  $D(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n)$ . By e),  $K(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n)$  and  $C_0$  are  $\mathcal{T}_1$ -compact, thus  $K(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n)$  and  $C_0$  are  $\mathcal{T}_2$ -compact. Then  $d(C, \cup_{j \leq n} [\cup \{K(\delta_1 \dots \delta_j); \delta_i = 0, 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, j\}]) = r_{n+1} > 0$  by b) and d) of B). Choose  $n_{n+1}$  with  $(\frac{2}{n_{n+1}}) < r_{n+1}$  such that  $V(\delta_1 \dots \delta_{n+1}) = \{y; d(y, C(\delta_1 \dots \delta_{n+1})) < \frac{1}{n_{n+1}}\} \subset \overline{V(\delta_1 \dots \delta_{n+1})} \subset V(\delta_1 \delta_2 \dots \delta_n)$  and  $V(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n 0) \cap V(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n 1) = \emptyset$ , then  $\{V(\delta_1 \dots \delta_{n+1}); \delta_i = 0, 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, n+1\}$  is a collection of mutually disjoint open balls. Let  $\varphi(\delta_1 \dots \delta_{n+1}) = \{(S_\alpha \cap V(\delta_1 \dots \delta_{n+1})) - (P_1 \cup \dots \cup P_{n+1} \cup C_0); S_\alpha \in \varphi(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n), S_\alpha \text{ converges to } x_\alpha \text{ and } x_\alpha \in C(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n)\}$ , where  $P_{n+1} \in \mathcal{P}_0$ . Then  $(S_\alpha \cap V(\delta_1 \dots \delta_{n+1})) \setminus (P_1 \cup \dots \cup P_{n+1} \cup C_0)$  is a sequence which converges to  $x_\alpha$  for each  $x_\alpha \in C(\delta_1 \delta_2 \dots \delta_{n+1})$  and  $|\varphi(\delta_1 \dots \delta_{n+1})| = \aleph_1$ .  $V(\delta_1 \dots \delta_{n+1}) \setminus (P_1 \cup \dots \cup P_{n+1} \cup C_0)$  is an open subset of  $Y$  which is the union of countably many compact metric subsets of  $Y$ , so there exists a compact subset  $K(\delta_1 \delta_2 \dots \delta_{n+1}) \subset V(\delta_1 \delta_2 \dots \delta_{n+1}) \setminus (P_1 \cup \dots \cup P_{n+1} \cup C_0)$  such that  $K(\delta_1 \dots \delta_{n+1})$  meets  $\aleph_1$  many sequences in  $\varphi(\delta_1 \delta_2 \dots \delta_{n+1})$ . If  $D(\delta_1 \dots \delta_{n+1}) = \{x_\alpha \in C(\delta_1 \dots \delta_{n+1}); S_\alpha \in \varphi(\delta_1 \dots \delta_{n+1}), S_\alpha \cap K(\delta_1 \dots \delta_{n+1}) \neq \emptyset \text{ and } S_\alpha \text{ converges to } x_\alpha\}$ , then  $D(\delta_1 \dots \delta_{n+1}) \subset C(\delta_1 \dots \delta_{n+1}) \subset D(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n)$  and  $|D(\delta_1 \dots \delta_{n+1})| = \aleph_1$ . Then, by induction, there exist:

1)  $\mathcal{K} = \{K(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n); \delta_i = 0, 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, n, n > 0\}$  with  $[\cup \{K(\delta_1 \dots \delta_j); \delta_i = 0, 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, j, j \geq n\}] \cap P_n = \emptyset$  for each  $P_n \in \mathcal{P}_0$ .

2)  $\mathcal{C} = \{C(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n); \delta_i = 0, 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, n, n > 0\}$  and  $\{V(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n); \delta_i = 0, 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, n, n > 0\}$  such that  $\cap_{n>0} (\cup \{C(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n); \delta_i = 0, 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}) = \cap_{n>0} (\cup \{V(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n); \delta_i = 0, 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}) = C^*$  and  $C^*$  is a Cantor set. If  $C^* = \{x(\delta_1 \delta_2 \dots); \delta_i = 0, 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, n, n > 0\} = \{x_\alpha; \alpha < \omega_1\}$ , then  $x(\delta_1 \delta_2 \dots \delta_n \dots) = C(\delta_1) \cap C(\delta_1 \delta_2) \cap \dots = V(\delta_1) \cap V(\delta_1 \delta_2) \cap \dots$  and  $|C^* \cap P| \leq 1$  for each  $P \in \mathcal{P} \setminus \mathcal{P}_0$ .

3) If  $\varphi_0 = \{S_\alpha \in \varphi; S_\alpha \text{ converges to } x_\alpha \text{ and } x_\alpha \in C^*\}$ ,

then  $|\varphi_0| = \aleph_1$ . If  $S_\alpha \in \varphi_0$ ,  $S_\alpha$  converges to  $x_\alpha$  and  $x_\alpha = x(\delta_1\delta_2\dots) \in C^*$ , then  $S_\alpha \cap K(\delta_1\dots\delta_n) \neq \emptyset$  for  $n > 0$ .

C) We use the results of B) to construct a collection  $\{C_{nm}; n, m < \omega\}$  which does not satisfy condition  $(C_3)$ .

i) Let  $A_1 = \{x(00\dots)\}$ , and let  $\mathcal{C}_1 = \{P \in \mathcal{P} \setminus \mathcal{P}_0; P \cap \bar{A}_1 \neq \emptyset\} = \{P_{1n}; n < \omega\}$ . For each  $n < \omega$ ; let  $\mathcal{K}(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1}) = \{K(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_1\delta_2\dots\delta_m); K(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_1\dots\delta_m) \subset V(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1})\}$  thus  $(P_{11} \cup \dots \cup P_{1n})$  meets only finitely many sets in  $\mathcal{K}(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1})$ .

In fact  $P_{11} \cup \dots \cup P_{1n}$  meets infinitely many sets in  $\mathcal{K}(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1})$ , so  $P_{11} \cup \dots \cup P_{1n}$  meets infinitely many sets in  $\mathcal{K}(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} 0)$  or in  $\mathcal{K}(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} 1)$  by  $\mathcal{K}(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1}) = \{K(0\dots 01)\} \cup \mathcal{K}(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} 0) \cup \mathcal{K}(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} 1)$ . Then we may assume  $P_{11} \cup \dots \cup P_{1n}$  meets infinitely many sets in  $\mathcal{K}(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_1)$ . Because  $\mathcal{K}(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_1) = \{K(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_1)\} \cup \mathcal{K}(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_1 0) \cup \mathcal{K}(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_1 1)$ , then  $P_{11} \cup \dots \cup P_{1n}$  meets infinitely many sets in  $\mathcal{K}(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_1 0)$ , or in  $\mathcal{K}(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_1 1)$ . We may assume  $P_{11} \cup \dots \cup P_{1n}$  meets infinitely many sets in  $\mathcal{K}(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_1 \delta_2)$ . Then, by induction, there exist  $\mathcal{K}(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_1) \supset \mathcal{K}(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_1 \delta_2) \supset \dots$  such that  $P_{11} \cup \dots \cup P_{1n}$  meets infinitely many sets in  $\mathcal{K}(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_1 \dots \delta_m)$ .  $\cup \mathcal{K}(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_1 \dots \delta_m) \subset V(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_1 \dots \delta_m)$  so  $(P_{11} \cup \dots \cup P_{1n}) \cap V(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_1 \dots \delta_m) \neq \emptyset$ .  $\cap_{m>0} V(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_1 \dots \delta_m) = \{x(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_1 \delta_2 \dots)\}$  so  $x(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_1 \delta_2 \dots) \in \overline{P_{11} \cup \dots \cup P_{1n}} = P_{11} \cap \dots \cap P_{1n}$ . This is a contradiction to  $P_{1i} \in \mathcal{C}_1$  and  $|P_{1i} \cap C^*| \leq 1$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Then there exists an  $n_n$  and  $\mathcal{K}_{1n} = \{K(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_1 \dots \delta_n); \delta_i = 0, 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, n_n\}$  such that:

- (1)  $(P_{11} \cup \dots \cup P_{1n}) \cap (\cup \mathcal{K}_{1n}) = \emptyset$ .
- (2) If  $S_\alpha$  converges to  $x_\alpha$ ,  $S_\alpha \in \varphi_0$  and  $x_\alpha = x(0\dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_1 \delta_2, \dots) \notin \bar{A}_1$  then  $S_\alpha \cap (\cup \mathcal{K}_{1n}) \neq \emptyset$ .

Let  $\mathcal{K}_1 = \cup_{n>0} \mathcal{K}_{1n}$ , then

- (1)  $P$  meets only finitely many sets in  $\mathcal{K}_1$  for each  $P \in \mathcal{C}_1$ .
- (2)  $P$  meets only finitely many sets in  $\mathcal{K}_1$  for each  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ .

(3) If  $S_\alpha$  converges to  $x_\alpha$ ,  $x_\alpha = x(0 \dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_1 \delta_2, \dots)$  and  $x_\alpha \notin \overline{A}_1$ , then  $S_\alpha \cap (\cup \mathcal{K}_{1n}) \neq \emptyset$  for each  $S_\alpha \in \varphi_0$ .

In fact :

1) We omit the proof.

2) For each  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ .

a) if  $P \cap C^* = \emptyset$ , then there exists an  $n$  with  $P \cap (\cup \{V(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n); \delta_i = 0, 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}) = \emptyset$  by  $C^* = \cap_{n>0} (\cup \{V(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n); \delta_i = 0, 1, i = 1, \dots, n\})$ . Then  $P$  meets only finitely many sets in  $\mathcal{K}_1$ .

b) if  $P \cap C^* \neq \emptyset$  and  $P \in \mathcal{P}_0$ , then  $P$  meets only finitely many sets in  $\mathcal{K}_1$ . If  $P \notin \mathcal{P}_0$ , then  $|P \cap C^*| \leq 1$ . Suppose that there exists a infinite subcollection  $\{K(0 \dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_{n1} \dots \delta_{nn}); n < \omega\}$  of  $\mathcal{K}_1$  such that  $P \cap K(0 \dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_{n1} \dots \delta_{nn}) \neq \emptyset$  for each  $K(0 \dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_{n1} \dots \delta_{nn})$ . Because  $K(0 \dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_{n1} \dots \delta_{nn}) \subset V(0 \dots \overset{n-1}{0})$ ,  $P \cap V(0 \dots \overset{n-1}{0}) \neq \emptyset$ .  $V(0) \supset V(00) \supset \dots$  and  $\cap_{n>0} V(0 \dots \overset{n}{0}) = \{x(00 \dots)\}$  so  $x(00 \dots) \in \overline{P} = P$  and  $P \in \mathcal{C}_1$ . This is a contradiction to 1).

3) We omit the proof.

If  $C_{1n} = \cup_{i \geq n} (\cup \mathcal{K}_{1i})$ , then  $\{C_{1n}; 1 \leq n < \omega\}$  has the properties:

1)  $P$  meets only finitely many sets in  $\{C_{1n}; 1 \leq n < \omega\}$  for each  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ .

2) If  $S_\alpha$  converges to  $x_\alpha$ ,  $x_\alpha = x(0 \dots 0 \overset{n}{1} \delta_1, \delta_2, \dots)$  and  $x_\alpha \notin \overline{A}_1$ , then  $S_\alpha \cap C_{1n} \neq \emptyset$  for each  $S_\alpha \in \varphi_0$ .

ii) If  $A_{n-1} = \{x(\delta_1, \delta_2, \dots)\}$ ; there exist  $n-2$  many 1's in  $\delta_1, \delta_2, \dots$  and  $\{C_{n-1 m}; n-1 \leq m < \omega\}$  have been defined so that:

1)  $P$  meets only finitely many sets in  $\{C_{n-1 m}; n-1 \leq m < \omega\}$  for each  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ .

2) For each  $S_\alpha \in \varphi_0$ , if  $S_\alpha$  converges to  $x_\alpha$ ,  $x_\alpha = x(\delta_1' \dots \delta_{m'}', 10 \dots 0 \overset{m'+j+1}{1} \delta_1 \delta_2 \dots) \notin \overline{A}_{n-1}$ ,  $x'_\alpha = x(\delta_1' \dots \delta_{m'}', 100 \dots) \in A_{n-1}$  and  $j \geq m$ , then  $S_\alpha \cap C_{n-1 m} \neq \emptyset$ .

Let  $A_n = \{x(\delta_1 \delta_2 \dots)\}$ ; there exist  $n-1$  many 1's in  $\delta_1, \delta_2, \dots$  then  $\overline{A}_n = A_n \cup \dots \cup A_2 \cup A_1$  and  $|\overline{A}_n| = \aleph_0$ . Let  $\overline{A}_n =$

$\{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$ , and let  $\mathcal{C}_n = \{P \in \mathcal{P} \setminus \mathcal{P}_0'; P \cap \overline{A}_n \neq \emptyset\} = \{P_{ni}; i < \omega\}$ . Pick  $x_m \in \overline{A}_n$ . Then  $x_m = x(\delta_1' \delta_2' \dots) = x(\delta_1' \dots \delta_m', 100 \dots)$ .

For each  $j < \omega$ , let

$\mathcal{K}(\delta_1' \dots \delta_m', 10 \dots 0 \overset{m'+j+1}{1}) = \{K(\delta_1' \dots \delta_m', 10 \dots 0 \overset{m'+j+1}{1} \delta_1 \dots \delta_n); K(\delta_1' \dots \delta_m', 10 \dots 0 \overset{m'+j+1}{1} \delta_1 \dots \delta_n) \subset V(\delta_1' \dots \delta_m', 10 \dots 0 \overset{m'+j+1}{1})\}$ . Take  $P_{ni} \in \mathcal{C}_n, i = 1, 2, \dots, m+j+1$ . Then, as in the proof of i), there exists an  $n(j)$  and a subcollection  $\mathcal{K}_{nj}(x_m) = \{K(\delta_1' \dots \delta_m', 10 \dots 0 \overset{m'+j+1}{1} \delta_{n_1} \dots \delta_{n(n(j))}); \delta_{ni} = 0, 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, n(j)\}$  of  $\mathcal{K}(\delta_1' \dots \delta_m', 10 \dots 0 \overset{m'+j+1}{1})$  such that;

1)  $(P_{n1} \cup \dots \cup P_{m+j+1}) \cap (\cup \mathcal{K}_{nj}(x_m)) = \emptyset$ .

2) For each  $S_\alpha \in \varphi_0$ , if  $S_\alpha$  converges to  $x_\alpha, x_\alpha = x(\delta_1' \dots \delta_m', 10 \dots 0 \overset{m'+j+1}{1} \delta_1 \delta_2 \dots) \notin \overline{A}_n$  and  $x'_\alpha = x(\delta_1' \dots \delta_m', 100 \dots) = x_m \in A_n$ , then  $S_\alpha \cap (\cup \mathcal{K}_{nj}(x_m)) \neq \emptyset$ .

Let  $\mathcal{K}_n(x_m) = \cup_{j>0} \mathcal{K}_{nj}(x_m)$ . Then  $\mathcal{K}_n(x_m)$  satisfies:

1)  $(P_{n1} \cup \dots \cup P_{n(m+j)}) \cap [\cup \mathcal{K}_{nj}(x_m)] = \emptyset$ , here  $P_{ni} \in \mathcal{C}_n$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m+j$ .

2)  $P$  meets only finitely many sets in  $\mathcal{K}_n(x_m)$  for each  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ .

3) For each  $S_\alpha \in \varphi_0$ , if  $S_\alpha$  converges to  $x_\alpha, x_\alpha = x(\delta_1' \dots \delta_m', 10 \dots 0 \overset{m'+j+1}{1} \delta_1 \delta_2 \dots) \notin \overline{A}_n$  and  $x'_\alpha = x(\delta_1' \dots \delta_m', 100 \dots) = x_m \in A_n$ , then  $S_\alpha \cap (\cup \mathcal{K}_{nj}(x_m)) \neq \emptyset$ .

We prove only 2). In fact, if  $P \in \mathcal{P} \setminus \mathcal{P}_0'$ , suppose that  $P$  meets infinitely many sets in  $\mathcal{K}_n(x_m)$ . Then there exist infinitely many  $\mathcal{K}_{nj}(x_m)$  such that  $P$  meets sets in  $\mathcal{K}_{nj}(x_m)$  because  $\mathcal{K}_n(x_m) = \cup_{j>0} \mathcal{K}_{nj}(x_m)$  and  $|\mathcal{K}_{nj}(x_m)| < \aleph_0$ .  $\cup \mathcal{K}_{nj}(x_m) \subset V(\delta_1' \dots \delta_m', 10 \dots 0 \overset{m'+j}{0})$  so  $P \cap V(\delta_1' \dots \delta_m', 10 \dots 0 \overset{m'+j}{0}) \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $\{x_m\} = \cap_{j>0} V(\delta_1' \dots \delta_m', 10 \dots 0 \overset{m'+j}{0}) \subset P$  and  $P \in \mathcal{C}_n$ . This is a contradiction to 1).

Let  $\mathcal{K}_n = \cup \{\mathcal{K}_n(x_m); x_m \in \overline{A}_n\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{K}_n$  satisfies:

1)  $P_{nm} \cap [\cup \cup \{\mathcal{K}_{nj}(x_i); j \geq m, i > 0\}] = \emptyset$  for each  $P_{nm} \in \mathcal{C}_n$ .



2)  $P$  meets only finitely many sets in  $\mathcal{K}_n$  for each  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ .

3) For each  $S_\alpha \in \varphi_0$ ,  $S_\alpha$  converges to  $x_\alpha$ ,  $x_\alpha = x(\delta_1' \dots \delta_m', 10 \dots 0 \overset{m'+j+1}{1} \delta_1 \delta_2 \dots) \notin \bar{A}_n$ ,  $x'_\alpha = x(\delta_1' \dots \delta_m', 100 \dots) = x_m \in A_n$  and  $j \geq m$  so  $S_\alpha \cap [\cup \cup \{\mathcal{K}_{nj}(x_i); j \geq m, i > 0\}] \neq \emptyset$ .

In fact:

1) for each  $P \in \mathcal{P} \setminus \mathcal{P}_0$ , if  $j \geq m$ , then  $P_{nm} \cap (\cup \mathcal{K}_{nj}(x_i)) = \emptyset$  for  $i > 0$  by  $(P_{n1} \cup \dots \cup P_{n, m+j}) \cap (\cup \mathcal{K}_{nj}(x_m)) = \emptyset$ . Then  $P_{nm} \cap [\cup (\cup_{j \geq m} \mathcal{K}_{nj}(x_i))] = \emptyset$  for  $i > 0$ . Then  $P_{nm} \cap [\cup \{\mathcal{K}_{nj}(x_i); j \geq m, i > 0\}] = \emptyset$ .

2) Let  $P \in \mathcal{P} \setminus \mathcal{P}_0$ . If  $P$  meets infinitely many sets in  $\mathcal{K}_n = \cup \{\mathcal{K}_n(x_m); x_m \in A_m\}$ , then there exists a sets  $\{m_1, m_2, \dots\}$  such that  $P$  meets sets in  $\mathcal{K}_n(x_{m_i})$  for each  $m_i$  by property 2) of  $\mathcal{K}_n(x_{m_i})$ .  $\{x_{m_i}; i > 0\} \subset A_n$ , so we may assume  $\{x_{m_i}; i > 0\}$  is a sequence which converges to  $x$  and  $x = x(\delta_1 \delta_2 \dots) \in \bar{A}_n$ . We may also assume  $\{x_{m_i}; i \geq n\} \subset V(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n)$ , so  $V_n(x_{m_i}) = V(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n)$  for each  $i \geq n$ . Here  $x_{m_i} = x(\varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \dots)$ ,  $V(\varepsilon_1) \supset V(\varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2) \supset \dots$  and  $V_n(x_{m_i}) = V(\varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \dots \varepsilon_n) = V(\delta_1 \delta_2 \dots \delta_n)$  so  $x_{m_i} = x(\delta_1 \dots \delta_n \delta_{n+1} \dots \delta_n \dots, 000 \dots)$ ,  $\cup \mathcal{K}_n(x_{m_i}) \subset V(\delta_1 \delta_2 \dots \delta_n)$  and  $P \cap V(\delta_1 \delta_2 \dots \delta_n) \neq \emptyset$ .  $P$  is compact, so  $x(\delta_1 \delta_2 \dots) \in P$  and  $P \in \mathcal{C}_n$ . This is a contradiction to property 1) of  $\mathcal{K}_n$ .

3)  $S_\alpha \in \varphi_0$ ,  $S_\alpha$  converges to  $x_\alpha$ ,  $x_\alpha = x(\delta_1' \dots \delta_m', 10 \dots 0 \overset{m'+j+1}{1} \delta_1 \delta_2 \dots) \notin \bar{A}_n$  and  $x'_\alpha = x(\delta_1' \dots \delta_m', 1000 \dots) = x_n \in A_n$ , so  $S_\alpha \cap (\cup \mathcal{K}_{nj}(x_n)) \neq \emptyset$ . If  $j \geq m$ , then  $S_\alpha \cap (\cup \cup \{\mathcal{K}_{nj}(x_i); j \geq m, i > 0\}) \neq \emptyset$ .

Let  $C_{nm} = \cup \cup \{P \mathcal{K}_{nj}(x_i); j \geq m, i > 0\}$  for  $m \geq n$ . Then  $\{C_{nm}; m \geq n\}$  satisfies:

1)  $P$  meets only finitely many sets in  $\{C_{nm}; m \geq n\}$  for each  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ .

2) For each  $S_\alpha \in \varphi_0$ , if  $S_\alpha$  converges to  $x_\alpha$ ,  $x_\alpha = x(\delta_1' \dots \delta_m', 10 \dots \overset{m'+j+1}{1} \delta_1 \delta_2 \dots) \notin \bar{A}_n$ ,  $x'_\alpha = x(\delta_1' \dots \delta_m', 1000 \dots) \in A_n$  and  $j \geq m$ , then  $S_\alpha \cap C_{nm} \neq \emptyset$ .

Then, by induction, there exists a collection  $\{C_{nm}; n \leq m < \omega\}$  such that:

1)  $C_{nm}$  is closed in  $(Y\mathcal{T}_1)$  for each  $C_{nm} \in \{C_{nm}; n \leq m < \omega\}$ .

2) For each  $n, \{C_{nm}; m \geq n\}$  is a discrete collection.

Now we prove  $C^* \cap \overline{\cup\{C_{nm}; m \geq f(n)\}} \neq \emptyset$  and  $C^* \cap \cup\{C_{nm}; m \geq f(n)\} = \emptyset$  for each  $f \in {}^\omega\omega$ .

In fact: If  $f \in {}^\omega\omega$ , let  $f(i) = n_i$  and let  $0 < n_1 < n_2 < n_3 \dots$ . Pick  $x_\alpha = x(0 \dots 0 \overset{m_1}{1} 0 \dots 0 \overset{m_2}{1} 0 \dots) \in C^*$ , where  $m_i = n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_i > i$ . Take  $S_\alpha \in \varphi_0$  such that  $S_\alpha$  converges to  $x_\alpha$ ,  $x_\alpha = x(0 \dots 0 \overset{m_1}{1} 0 \dots 0 \overset{m_2}{1} \dots 0 \overset{m_i}{1} 0 \dots) \notin \overline{A_i}$  and  $x'_\alpha = x(0 \dots 0 \overset{m_1}{1} 0 \dots 0 \overset{m_2}{1} \dots 0 \overset{m_{i-1}}{1} 000 \dots) = x_m \in A_i$ , so  $S_\alpha \cap (\cup \mathcal{K}_{in_i}(x_m)) \neq \emptyset$  and  $S_\alpha \cap C_{in_i} \neq \emptyset$  since  $C_{in_i} = \cup \cup \{\mathcal{K}_{ij}(x_m); j \geq n_i, m > 0\}$  for  $i \geq 1$ . Then  $x_\alpha \in C^* \cap \overline{\cup\{C_{in_i}; i < \omega\}} \neq \emptyset$ , hence  $x_\alpha \in C^* \cap \overline{\cup\{C_{nm}; m \geq f(n)\}} \neq \emptyset$ .

D) Let  $g : Y \rightarrow Y/\{C^*\}$ . Then  $g$  is a continuous perfect map. Then  $\{g[C_{nm}]; m \geq n\}$  satisfies:

1)  $g[C_{nm}]$  is closed for each  $g[C_{nm}] \in \{g[C_{nm}]; n \leq m < \omega\}$  in  $Y/\{C^*\}$ .

2)  $\{g[C_{nm}]; m < \omega\}$  is a discrete subcollection of  $\{g[C_{nm}]; m \geq n\}$  for each  $n < \omega$ .

3) There exists a  $C^* \in \overline{\cup\{g[C_{nm}]; m \geq n\}}$  with  $C^* \in \cup\{g[C_{nm}]; m \geq f(n)\}$  for each  $f \in {}^\omega\omega$ .

Then  $S_\omega \times (Y/\{C^*\})$  is not sequential by Lemma 6. Thus  $S_\omega \times Y$  is not sequential by Lemma 10. This is a contradiction to the conclusion of Lemma 10. Then  $Y$  is a  $k_\omega$ -space.

RESULTS (CH + MC).

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be  $k$ -spaces with point-countable closed  $k$ -networks. Then  $X \times Y$  is a  $k$ -space if and only if one of the three properties below holds:*

- a)  $X$  and  $Y$  have point-countable bases.
- b)  $X$  or  $Y$  is locally compact.
- c)  $X$  and  $Y$  are locally  $k_\omega$ -spaces.

*Proof.* If  $X$  contains a copy of  $S_2$  and  $X$  contains no copy of  $S_\omega$ , then the perfect image  $X/\{S_0\}$  of  $X$  contains a copy of  $S_\omega$ , where  $S_0$  is the converging sequence of  $S_2$  which has no

isolated point. By Lemma 10,  $(X/\{S_0\}) \times Y$  is sequential if and only if  $X \times Y$  is sequential.

“only if”:

1) If  $X$  and  $Y$  contain copies of  $S_\omega$  or  $S_2$ . Then  $X$  and  $Y$  are locally  $k_\omega$ -spaces by lemma 11.

2) If  $X$  contains a copy of  $S_\omega$  or  $S_2$ , and  $Y$  contains no copy of  $S_\omega$  and  $S_2$ .  $X \times Y$  is sequential then  $S_\omega \times Y$  is sequential. Then  $P$  is compact metrizable for each  $P \in \mathcal{P}$  by Lemma 4. Then  $Y$  has a point countable base by [11, Corollary 4.5].  $S_\omega$  is not strongly Fréchet then  $Y$  is locally compact by [8, Theorem 1.1].

3)  $X$  and  $Y$  contain no copies of  $S_\omega$  and  $S_2$ .  $Y \times X$  is sequential and  $t(Y) \leq \omega$  then  $Y$  satisfies  $(C_1)$  or  $X$  satisfies  $(C_2)$  by Lemma 1.

At the same time  $X \times Y$  is sequential and  $t(X) \leq \omega$  so  $X$  satisfies  $(C_1)$  or  $Y$  satisfies  $(C_2)$  by Lemma 1. Then there exist four cases:

case 1.  $X$  satisfies  $(C_1)$  and  $Y$  satisfies  $(C_1)$ . Then  $X$  and  $Y$  have point-countable bases by [5, Theorem 9.8].

case 2.  $X$  satisfies  $(C_1)$  and  $X$  satisfies  $(C_2)$ . Then  $X$  has a point-countable base by  $(C_1)$ . Then  $X$  is locally compact by  $(C_2)$ .

case 3.  $Y$  satisfies  $(C_1)$  and  $Y$  satisfies  $(C_2)$ . Same as case 2.

case 4.  $X$  satisfies  $(C_2)$  and  $Y$  satisfies  $(C_2)$ . If  $X$  satisfies  $(C_2)$  then  $P$  is a compact metrizable set for each  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ . Then  $X$  has a point-countable base by [11, lemma 4.1]. So does  $Y$ .

“if” we omit the straightforward proof.

**Corollary.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be quotient  $s$ -images of locally compact metric spaces. Then  $X \times Y$  is sequential if and only if one of the three properties below holds:*

- a)  $X$  and  $Y$  have point-countable bases.
- b)  $X$  or  $Y$  is locally compact.
- c)  $X$  and  $Y$  are locally  $k_\omega$ -spaces.

*Proof.* A quotient  $s$ -image of a locally compact metric space has a point-countable closed  $k$ -network.

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be closed images of metric spaces. Then  $X \times Y$  is sequential if and only if one of three properties below holds:*

- a)  $X$  and  $Y$  have point-countable bases.
- b)  $X$  or  $Y$  is locally compact.
- c)  $X$  and  $Y$  are locally  $k_\omega$ -spaces.

*Proof.* “only if”

1) If  $X$  contains a copy of  $S_\omega$  then  $S_\omega \times Y$  is sequential. If  $Y$  is a closed image of a metric space, then  $\partial f^{-1}(y)$  is locally compact and Lindelöff for every  $y \in Y$  by [9, Proposition 2.4]. We may assume without loss of generality that  $Y$  is a closed s-image of a metric space. Then  $Y$  has a closed point-countable k-network. Then  $Y$  is a locally  $k_\omega$ -space by Lemma 11. So does  $X$ .

2)  $X$  contains a copy of  $S_\omega$  and  $Y$  contains no copy of  $S_\omega$ , then  $S_\omega \times Y$  is sequential. As in the proof 1) we may assume  $Y$  is a closed s-image of a metric space. As in the proof 2) of “only if” of Theorem 1,  $Y$  is locally compact.

3)  $X$  and  $Y$  contain no copies of  $S_\omega$ . Then we may assume that  $X$  and  $Y$  are closed s-images of metric spaces by [11, Theorem 1.7 ii]. Then  $X$  and  $Y$  have closed point-countable k-networks. As in the proof 3, of “only if” of Theorem 1, then  $X$  is locally compact or  $Y$  is locally compact or  $X$  and  $Y$  have point-countable bases.

“if” We omit the straightforward proof.

The above theorem 2 is analogous to Theorem 1.1 of [9]. The following Theorem 3 is analogous to Theorem 3.1 of [7].

**Theorem 3.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be k- and  $\aleph$ -spaces. Then  $X \times Y$  is a k- and  $\aleph$ -space if and only if one of the three properties holds:*

- a)  $X$  and  $Y$  have point-countable bases.
- b)  $X$  or  $Y$  is locally compact.
- c)  $X$  and  $Y$  are locally  $k_\omega$ -spaces.

*Proof.* Every k- and  $\aleph$ -space is a k-space with  $\sigma$ -locally finite k-network, then every k- and  $\aleph$ -space has a closed point-countable k-network. Then the Theorem 3 is a Corollary of Theorem 1.

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