# Some Properties on Base-Countably-Mesocompact Spaces

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#### Abstract

In this paperbase-countable-mesocompactness is investigated. And the following results are obtained: (1) Let X be base-countably-mesocompact and X' be an  $F_{\sigma}$  subset of X. If X is normal, then X' is base-countablymesocompact relative to X. (2) Let X be mesocompact. locally basecountably-mesocompact. If X is normal then X is base-countablymesocompact. (3) Let Y be a base-countably-mesocompact space and  $f: X \to Y$  be a base-countably-mesocompact map and  $\omega(X) \ge \omega(Y)$ . If Y is regular then X is base-mesocompact. (4) Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a closed Lindel  $\ddot{o} f$  map and Y be a base-countably-mesocompact. If X and Y are both regular and  $\omega(X) \ge \omega(Y)$ , then X is base-countablymesocompact.

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### **1** Introduction and preliminaries

In his paper [1], J.E. Porter introduced the notion of base-paracompactness and obtained some analogous results of base-paracompactness to paracompactness; a space X is said to be base-paracompact if there is a base  $\beta$  for X of cardinality equal to the weight of X such that every open cover  $\mu$  of X has a locally finite refinement  $\beta'$  by members of  $\beta$ . And he observed that metric spaces are base-paracompact. Moreover he showed that paracompact ordered spaces

of weight not greater than  $\omega_1$  are base-paracompact. At the end of his paper he raised four open questions. Many scholars showed great interest on baseparacompactness. In [2] Professor Y. Ge defined base-paracompact mapping and claimed that every base-paracompact mapping inversely preserves baseparacompactness if  $\omega(X) \geq \omega(Y)$ , which improved the same result of J.E. Porter about perfect mapping. At the same time he proved that every closed *Lindel*  $\ddot{o} f$  mapping inversely preserves base-paracompactness if and only if X is regular and  $\omega(X)$  is a regular cardinalitywhich gave some answers for the question on inverse images of base-paracompact spaces. In this paper we investigate base-countably-mesocompactness.

Throughout paper, all spaces are assumed to be Hausdorff spaces and all maps are continuous and surjective. The symbol N denotes the set of all natural numbers. The cardinality of A is denoted by |A|. For a space X,  $\omega(X)$  stands for the weight of X.  $A^c$  and IntA stand for the complement of A and the interior of A in X respectively. For any  $A \subset X$ , Let  $\mu_A = \{U \in \mu : U \cap A \neq \phi\}$ . For any  $A \subset X$ , the closure of A is denoted by  $\overline{A}$ . One may refer to [3] for undefined notations and terminology.

**Definition 1.1** A space X is base-countably-mesocompact if there is a basis  $\beta$  for X with  $|\beta| = \omega(X)$  such that every countable open cover  $\mu$  of X admits a compact-finite refinement  $\beta'$  by members of  $\beta$ .

**Definition 1. 2** A topological space X is said to be locally base-countablymesocomact if for each  $x \in X$  there exists a neighborhood  $G_x$  of x such that  $\overline{G_x}$  is base-countbly-mesocompact.

**Definition 1.3**<sup>[4]</sup> Let A be a subset of X and  $\mu$  a family of subset of  $X \cdot \mu$  is said to be locally finite at A in X if for every  $x \in A$  there exists an open (in X) neighborhood  $G_x$  of x such that  $G_x$  intersects at most finite members of  $\mu$ .

 $\mu$  is said to be compact-finite at A in X if  $(\mu)_K$  is finite for every compact subset K of A.

**Definition 1.4** A subspace M of X is called to be base-countably-mesocompact relative to X provided that there is a basis  $\beta$  for X with  $|\beta| = \omega(X)$  such that every open cover (in X) of M has a compact-finite (in M) partial open refinement  $\beta' \subset \beta$  such that  $M \subset \cup \beta'$ .

**Definition 1.5** A map  $f: X \to Y$  is called base-countably-mesocompact if there exists a basis  $\beta$  for X with  $|\beta| = \omega(X)$  such that for every  $y \in Y$  and a countable family  $\mu$  of open subsets of X which covers  $f^{-1}(y)$ , there exists a neighborhood  $O_y$  of y and a refinement  $\underline{\beta}_y$  of  $\mu$ , where  $\beta_y \subset \beta$  such that  $f^{-1}(O_y) \subset \bigcup \beta_y$  and  $\beta_y$  is compact-finite at  $f^{-1}(O_y)$  in X.

Recall that a closed map  $f : X \to Y$  is called closed map if  $f^{-1}(y)$  is a Lindel  $\ddot{o} f$  subset of X for every  $y \in f^{-1}(y)$ .

**Lemma 1.6**<sup>[1]</sup> Let  $\beta$  be basis for X with  $|\beta| = \omega(X)$ . Then there is a basis  $\beta'$  for X with  $|\beta'| = \omega(X)$  and  $\beta \subset \beta'$  which is closed under finite unionsfinites

intersections and complements of closures .

The validity of the following lemmas is easy to verify.

**Lemma1.7** Let  $\mu = \{U_{\lambda} : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  be a compact-finite family of subsets of space X. Then  $\{U_{\lambda} : \lambda \in \Lambda'\}$  is compact-finite for every subset  $\Lambda'$  of  $\Lambda$ .

Let  $\mu = \{U_{\lambda} : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  be a compact-finite family of subsets of space X. Then  $\{\nu_{\lambda} : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is compact-finite if  $\nu_{\lambda} \subset U_{\lambda}$  for every  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ .

**Lemma 1.8** If  $\mu$  is locally finite at A in X. Then  $\mu$  is compact-finite at  $\overline{A}$  in X.

### 2 Main Results

**Proposition 2.1** Every closed subset M of base-countably-mesocompact space X is base-countably-mesocompact relative to X.

**Proof** Let M be closed in X and  $\mu$  a countable open family of subsets of X which covers M. Let  $\beta$  be a basis which witnesses base-countablymesocompactness for X. Note that  $\mu \cup \{X \setminus M\}$  is a countable open cover of X. By base-countably-mesocompactness there exists  $\beta' \subset \beta$  such that  $\beta'$  is a compact-finite refinement of  $\mu \cup \{X \setminus M\}$ . Let  $w = \{B \in \beta' : B \cap M \neq \phi\}$ . Then w is a compact-finite partial open refinement of  $\mu$  and  $M \subset \cup w$ .

**Theorem 2.2** Let X be base-countably-mesocompact and M a closed subset of X with  $\omega(X) = \omega(M)$  then M is base-countably-mesocompact.

**Proof** By Proposition 2.1 M is base-countably-mesocompact relative to X. Since  $\omega(X) = \omega(M)$ , M is base-countably-mesompact.

**Corollary 2.3** Let X, Y be mesompact spaces with  $\omega(X) \ge \omega(Y)$ . if  $X \times Y$  is base-countably-mesocompact, then so is X.

**Proof** By the definition of product space, X is homeomorphic to a closed subspace of  $X \times Y$ . Since  $\omega(X) \ge \omega(Y)$ ,  $\omega(X) = \omega(X \times Y)$  holds, and  $X \times Y$  is base-countably-mesocompact, so is X by theorem 2.2.

**Theorem 2.4** Let X be base-countably-mesocompact and X' be an  $F_{\sigma}$  subset of X. If X is normal, then X' is base-countably-mesocompact relative to X.

**Proof** Let X be base-countably-mesocompact and normal. Let  $\beta$  be a basis which witnesses base-countably-mesocompact for X with  $|\beta| = \omega(X)$ . By virtue of lemma 1.7 we can assume  $\beta$  is closed under finite intersections, finite unions of closures. Observe that  $X' = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n$ , where  $F_n$  is closed in X such that  $F_n \subset Int_{X'}F_{n+1} \subset F_{n+1}$  ( $Int_{X'}F_n$  denotes the interior of  $F_n$  relative to  $X', n \in N$ ).

Let  $\nu$  be a countable open (in X) cover of X'. Put  $\nu_1 = \{V \in \nu : V \cap F_1 \neq \phi\}$ . The cover  $\nu_1 \cup \{X - F_1\}$  of X has a compact-finite refinement  $\beta'_1$  by members of  $\beta$ . Put  $w_1 = \{B \in \beta'_1 : B \cap F_1 \neq \phi\}$ . Proceeded by induction. Suppose that  $w_j$  and  $\beta'_j$  have been constructed for every j < n such that  $\beta'_j \subset \beta$  and  $\beta'_j$  is compact-finite and  $w_j = \left\{ B - \bigcup_{i < j} F_i : B \in \beta'_j, B \cap F_j \neq \phi \right\}$ . Put  $\nu_n = \{ V \in \nu : V \cap F_n \neq \phi \}$ . Notice that  $\nu_n \cup \{ X - F_n \}$  covers X, by induction hypothesis, there exists  $\beta'_n \subset \beta$  such that  $\beta'_n$  is compact-finite. For every  $n \in N$  put  $w_n = \{ B - \bigcup_{i < n} F_i : B \in \beta'_n, B \cap F_j \neq \phi \}$ .  $B - \bigcup_{i < n} F_i = B \cap (\bigcup_{i < n} F_i)^c = B \cap (\bigcap_{i < n} F_i^c)$ . By the property of the basis we can find an  $B'_i \in \beta$  such that  $B'_i \subset F_i^c$ . Since  $\beta$  is closed under finite intersections.  $\bigcap_{i < n} B_i$  is an element of  $\beta$ . Put  $B' = \bigcap_{i < n} B_i$  and  $w'_n = \{ B \cap B' : B \in \beta'_n \}$ . Put  $w = \bigcup_{n \in N} w_n$  and  $w' = \bigcup_{n \in N} w'_n$ . Since  $\beta'_n$  is compact-finite,  $w_n$  and  $w_n^{-1}$  are both compact-finite.

Claim . w' is a partial refinement of  $\nu$ .

In fact, for any  $x \in X'$  let n be the first integer such that  $x \in F_n$ , then  $x \notin \bigcup_{i < n} F_i$ . Then there exist an element B' of  $\beta$  such that  $x \in B' \subset (U_{i < n} F_i)^c$ . Since  $\beta'_n$  refines  $\nu_n \cup \{X - F_n\}$  then there exists  $B \in \beta'_n$  such that  $x \in B$ . Thus  $x \in B \cap B'$ , hence w' is an open cover of X'. Clearly for any  $W' \in w'$  there exists an element  $V \in v$  such that  $W' \in V$ .

Claim. w is compact-finite.

In fact  $X' = \bigcup_{n \in N} Int_{X'}F_n$ ,  $Int_{X'}F_n \subset Int_{X'}F_{n+1}$ . For any compact set  $K \subset X'$ , there exists  $n_0 \in N$  such that  $K \subset Int_{X'}F_{n_0}$ . For any  $m > n_0$ , we have

$$K \cap w_m = K \cap \{B - (\bigcup_{i < m} F_i) : B \in \beta'_m, B \cap F_m \neq \phi\}$$

$$= K \cap \{B \cap (\bigcup_{i < m} F_i)^c : B \in \beta'_m, B \cap F_m \neq \phi\}$$

$$\subset (Int_{X'}F_{n_0}) \cap \left(\cap_{i < m} F_i^C\right) = IntF_{n_0} \cap (F_{n_0})^C \subset F_{n_0} \cap F_{n_0}^C = \phi$$

Hence w is compact-finite.

It is clear that there exists  $W \in w$  such that  $W' \subset W$  for every  $W' \in w'$ . By lemma 1.8 w' is compact-finite.

**Corollary** 2.5 If X is a normal mesocompact space and the union of closed basd-countably-mesocompact spaces relative to X, then X is base-countably-mesocompact.

**Proof** Let  $X = \bigcup_{i \in N} F_i$ , where  $F_i$  is closed and base-countably-mesocompact relative to X. Then X is an  $F_{\sigma}$  subset of itself. By theorem 2.4 X is base-countably-mesocompact relative to X, hence X is base-countably-mesocompact.

**Theorem** 2.6 Let X be mesocompact, locally base-countably-mesocompact. If X is normal then X is base-countably-mesocompact.

**Proof** By the definite of locally base-countably-mesocompactness, for each  $x \in X$ , pick out a neighborhood  $G_x$  of x, such that  $\overline{G_x}$  is base-countablymesocompact. Let  $g = \{G_x : x \in X\}$ , By mesocompact of X, g has a compactfinite refinement  $\mu$  such that  $|\mu| \leq \omega(X)$ . Since X is normal,  $\mu$  has a shrinking v. For each  $V \in v$ , there exists a  $G_V \in g$  such that  $\overline{V} \subset G_V$  and hence  $\overline{V}$  is base-mesocompact relative to  $G_V$ . For each  $V \in v$  let  $\beta_v$  be a basis for  $G_V$ which admit base-countable-mesocompactness relative to  $\overline{V}$ . Let  $\beta = \bigcup_{V \in v} \beta_V$ and w be a countable open cover of X. Let  $w_V = \{W : W \cap \overline{V} \neq \phi\}$ , then  $w_V$  is an open cover of  $\overline{V}$ . There exists a compact-finite (in X) refinement  $\beta'_v$ of  $w_V$  such that  $\bigcup \beta'_V \subset G_V$ . Observe that  $\beta'_v$  is compact-finite in X. Hence  $\beta' = \bigcup_{V \in v} \beta'_V$  is a compact-finite refinement of w.

**Theorem** 2.7 Let Y be a base-countably-mesocompact space and  $f: X \to Y$  be a base-countably-mesocompact map and  $\omega(X) \ge \omega(Y)$ . If Y is regular then X is base-mesocompact.

**Proof** Let  $\beta_Y$  be a basis for Y which witnesses base-countable-mesocompactness. Let  $\beta_X$  be a basis for X with  $|\beta_x| = \omega(X)$  which witnesses base-countablemesocompactne f. Put  $\beta = \{B \cap f^{-1}(B') : B \in \beta_X, B' \in \beta_Y\}$ . Since  $\omega(X) \ge \omega(Y)$ , clearly  $|\beta| = |\beta_X| = \omega(X)$  holds.

Prove  $\beta$  is a basis for X which witnesses base-countable-mesocompactness as follows. Let  $\mu$  be a countable open cover of X. Since  $\beta_X$  witnesses basecountable-mesocompactness for f, for every  $y \in Y$ , there exists a neighborhood  $O_y$  of y and a partial refinement  $\underline{\beta}_y$  of  $\mu$ , where  $\beta_y \subset \beta_X$ , such that  $f^{-1}(O_y) \subset \cup \beta_y$  and  $\beta_y$  is compact-finite at  $f^{-1}(O_y)$  in X. By regular of Y there exists a neighborhood  $G_y$  of y such that  $\overline{G_y} \subset O_y$ . Then  $f^{-1}(y) \subset f^{-1}(G_y) \subset f^{-1}(\overline{G_y}) \subset f^{-1}(O_y) \subset \cup \beta_y$ . Let  $v = \{G_y : y \in Y\}$ , then v is an open cover of Y. By base-countable-mesocompactness of Y, v has compact-finite open refinement  $\beta'_y \subset \beta_Y$ , say  $\beta'_y = \{B'_\alpha : \alpha \in \Gamma\}$ . For every  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ , pick  $y_\alpha \in Y$ such that  $B'_\alpha \subset G_{y\alpha}$ . Put  $\beta' = \{B_{y\alpha} \cap f^{-1}(B'_\alpha) : B_{y\alpha} \in \beta_{y\alpha}, B'_\alpha \in \beta'_Y, \alpha \in \Gamma\}$ . Then  $\beta' \subset \beta$  and  $\beta'$  is an open refinement of  $\mu$ .

Claim.  $\{f^{-1}(B'_{\alpha}): B'_{\alpha} \in \beta'_{Y}, \alpha \in \Gamma\}$  is compact-finite.

Suppose to the contrary, there is a compact subset K of X which intersects infinite members of  $\{f^{-1}(B'_{\alpha}): B'_{\alpha} \in \beta'_{Y}, \alpha \in \Gamma\}$ . Without loss of generality, assume countably infinite, say  $f^{-1}(B'_{1}), f^{-1}(B'_{2}), \cdots$ . Then  $K \cap f^{-1}(B'_{i}) \neq \phi, i = 1, 2, \cdots$ . Since f is a continuous map, f(K) is a compact subset of Y. Observe that  $f(f^{-1}(B'_{i})) = B'_{i}$ . Thus  $f(K) \cap f(f^{-1}(B'_{i})) = f(K) \cap B'_{i} \neq \phi, i = 1, 2, \cdots$ , which contradict the compact-finiteness of  $\beta'_{Y}$ .

Claim  $\beta'$  is compact-finite.

For every compact subset K of X, there exists a finite  $\Gamma_K \subset \Gamma$  such that  $K \cap f^{-1}(B'_{\alpha}) = \phi$  for every  $\alpha \in \Gamma - \Gamma_K$ . Let  $\alpha \in \Gamma_K$ . For every  $x \in K$ , if  $x \notin f^{-1}(\overline{B'_{\alpha}})$  then there exists a neighborhood  $V_{\alpha}$  of x such that  $V_{\alpha} \cap f^{-1}(\overline{B'_{\alpha}}) = \phi$ , thus  $V_{\alpha} \cap f^{-1}(B'_{\alpha}) = \phi$ . If  $x \in f^{-1}(\overline{B'_{\alpha}})$ , then  $x \in f^{-1}(\overline{G_{\alpha}}) \subset f^{-1}(O_{y_{\alpha}})$ . Since  $\beta_{y_{\alpha}}$  is compact-finite at  $\overline{f^{-1}(O_{y_{\alpha}})}$  in X, there exists a compact subset  $V_{\alpha}$  of  $\overline{f^{-1}(O_{y_{\alpha}})}$  such that  $x \in V_{\alpha}$  and  $(\beta_{y_{\alpha}})_{V_{\alpha}}$  is finite . Thus a neighborhood  $V_{\alpha}$  of x is constructed as above for each  $\alpha \in \Gamma_K$ . Observe that  $K \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Gamma_K} V_{\alpha}$ . Hence  $(\beta')_k \subset (\beta')_{\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Gamma_k} V_{\alpha}} \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Gamma_k} (\beta')_{V_{\alpha}} \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Gamma_k} (\beta_{y_{\alpha}})_{V_{\alpha}}$ . Then  $(\beta')_k$  is finite.

The proof of the following corollaries is trivial.

**Corollary** 2.8 Let  $f : X \to Y$  be a perfect map. X is base-countablemesocompact if Y is regular and base-countable-mesocompact.

**Remark** The condition regularity of Y can be committed in corollary 2.8.

**Corollary** 2.9 Let X be base-countable-mesocompact and Y be a compact space . Then  $X \times Y$  is base-countable-mesocompact.

**Proof** The projection  $p : X \times Y \to X$  is a perfect map. Since X is base-countably-mesocompact,  $X \times Y$  is base-countably-mesocompact by the preceding remark.

**Proposition 2.10** Let  $f : X \to Y$  be a closed *Lindel*  $\ddot{o} f$  map. If X is regular then f is base-countable-mesocompact.

**Proof** Let  $\beta$  be a basis for X with  $|\beta| = \omega(X)$ . By virtue of lemma 1.7 we can assume  $\beta$  is closed under finite intersection, finite unions, and complements of closures. Let  $\mu$  is countable cover of  $f^{-1}(y)$  for every  $y \in Y$ . There exists  $U \in \mu$  such that  $x \in U$  for every  $x \in f^{-1}(y)$ . Then there exist  $B'_x$ , such that  $x \in B'_x \subset \overline{B''_x} \subset U$  by regularity of X. Since  $f^{-1}(y)$  is a Lindel  $\ddot{o}f$  subset, there exists countable family  $\{B'_{xn} : n \in N\} \subset \{B'_x : x \in f^{-1}(y)\}$  such that  $f^{-1}(y) \subset \bigcup_{x \in N} B'_{xn}$ . Let  $B_1 = B''_{x1}, B_n = B''_{xn} - \bigcup \{\overline{B'_{xi}} : i < n\}$ . Let  $\beta_y = \{B_n : n \in N\}$ .

Since  $\beta$  is closed under finite intersection and unions and complements of closures, we have that  $\beta_y \subset \beta$  and  $f^{-1}(O_y) \subset \cup \beta_y$  and  $\beta_y$  is a partial refinement of  $\mu$ . Let  $x \in f^{-1}(O_y)$ . Then there exists  $i \in N$  such that  $x \in B'_{xi}$ , thus  $B'_{xi}$  is a neighborhood of x and  $B'_{xi} \cap B_n = \phi$  for each n > i. Hence  $\beta_y$  is locally finite at  $f^{-1}(O_y)$  in X. By lemma 1. 8  $\beta_y$  is compact-finite at  $f^{-1}(O_y)$ in X.

**Theorem 2.11** Let  $f : X \to Y$  be a closed *Lindel of* map and Y be a base-countably-mesocompact. If X and Y are both regular and  $\omega(X) \ge \omega(Y)$ , then X is base-countably-mesocompact.

**Proof** It is easy to prove it by theorem 2.7 and proposition 2.10.

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