

## 242. On Products of Quasi-Perfect Maps

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**1. Introduction.** The purpose of this paper is to give a necessary and sufficient condition for the product map to be a quasi-perfect map under the condition that the image of the product map is a sequential space. Namely we shall prove

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $f_i: X_i \rightarrow Y_i$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots$ ) be quasi-perfect maps and  $\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} Y_i$  a sequential space. Then the following properties are equivalent.*

- (a)  $\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} f_i$  is a quasi-perfect map.
- (b)  $\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} X_i$  satisfies the condition  $(C_1)$  below;

$(C_1)$ : *If each  $K_i$  is a closed countably compact subset of  $X_i$ , then  $\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} K_i$  is countably compact in  $\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} X_i$ .*

(c)  $\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} f_i^{-1}(C_i)$  is countably compact in  $\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} X_i$  for each convergent sequence  $C_i$  in  $Y_i$ . Here, by a convergent sequence we mean the union of the sequence and its limit point.

According to S. P. Franklin [4], a space  $X$  is called a sequential space if a subset  $F$  of  $X$  is closed whenever  $F \cap C$  is closed for every compact metric subset  $C$  of  $X$ , and such a space is precisely the quotient of a metric space.

First countable spaces are sequential. Of course, sequential spaces are  $k$ -spaces. But the converse does not hold. Indeed, the Stone-Cëch compactification of a normal and non-compact space is not sequential.

We assume all maps are continuous and onto, and all spaces are  $T_2$ .

**2. Proof of Theorem 1.** First of all, we consider the following condition  $(C_0)$  on a space  $X$ .

- $(C_0)$ : Each sequence whose closure is countably compact has a subsequence whose closure is compact.

The condition  $(k_0)$  in T. Chiba [2] implies the condition  $(C_0)$ , and the converse is true in regular  $q$ -spaces in the sense of E. Michael [7].

A space  $X$  is called isocompact by P. Bacon [1] if every closed countably compact is compact.

**Lemma 1.**  *$K$ -spaces, locally isocompact spaces, sequentially compact spaces, and regular spaces whose each point is a  $G_\delta$ -set all satisfy the condition  $(C_0)$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $X$  be a  $k$ -space and  $\{x_i; i \in N\}$  a sequence in  $X$  whose closure is countably compact. We assume all points  $x_i$  are distinct.