

69. On \mathcal{E} -Product of Spaces which have a σ -Almost Locally Finite Base

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1. Introduction. Let $\{X_a : a \in A\}$ be a family of topological spaces. By $B_a X_a$ we denote the set $\prod_a X_a$ with the box product topology. For $p \in B_a X_a$ we denote the subspace $\{x \in B_a X_a : x_a \neq p_a \text{ for at most finitely many } a\}$ of $B_a X_a$ by \mathcal{E}_p .

Recently K. Tamano and the author [3] introduced the notion of almost local finiteness and the class of all spaces which have a σ -almost locally finite base. This class is an intermediate class between that of free L -spaces and that of M_1 -spaces. The purpose of this paper is to prove that \mathcal{E}_p has a σ -almost locally finite base if each X_a has a σ -almost locally finite base and $p \in B_a X_a$. Corollary 3.2 is an improvement on the result of S. San-ou [5]. By [4], \mathcal{E}_p need not be free L even if each X_a is metrizable and $p \in B_a X_a$. For another results on \mathcal{E} -product see [1], [2] and [5].

In this paper all spaces are assumed to be regular T_1 .

2. Preliminaries. **Definition 2.1.** Let X be a space and \mathcal{A} a family of subsets of X . \mathcal{A} is said to be *almost locally finite* in X if for every point x of X there exist a neighborhood U of x and a finite family \mathcal{B} of subsets of X such that

$$\{A \cap U : A \in \mathcal{A}\} \subset \{B \cap W : B \in \mathcal{B} \text{ and } W \text{ is a neighborhood of } x\}.$$

Lemma 2.2. Let $\{X_e : e \in E\}$ be a family of spaces and $p \in B_e X_e$. For each $e \in E$ let \mathcal{A}_e be an almost locally finite family of open sets of X_e such that

$$\text{if } V \in \mathcal{A}_e \text{ then } p_e \in V \text{ or } p_e \notin \text{Cl } V.$$

Then $\{\mathcal{E}_p \cap \prod_e V_e : (V_e)_{e \in E} \in \prod_e \mathcal{A}_e\}$ is almost locally finite in \mathcal{E}_p .

Proof. Let $x \in \mathcal{E}_p$.

Case 1. $x = p$.

For each $e \in E$ put $U_e = X_e - \cup\{\text{Cl } V : V \in \mathcal{A}_e, p_e \notin \text{Cl } V\}$. Put $U = \mathcal{E}_p \cap \prod_e U_e$. Then U is a neighborhood of x . Let $(V_e)_{e \in E} \in \prod_e \mathcal{A}_e$ and $U \cap \prod_e V_e \neq \emptyset$. Then $x_e = p_e \in V_e, e \in E$. Therefore $U \cap \prod_e V_e$ is a neighborhood of x .

Case 2. $x \neq p$.

Let $E_1 = \{e \in E : x_e = p_e\}$ and $E_2 = E - E_1$. Then $|E_2| < \aleph_0$. For $e \in E_1$ put $U_e = X_e - \cup\{\text{Cl } V : V \in \mathcal{A}_e, p_e \notin \text{Cl } V\}$. For $e \in E_2$ there exist