

5. Some Generalizations of V. Trnkova's Theorem on Unions of Strongly Paracompact Spaces

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V. Trnkova [5] has recently investigated the unions of strongly paracompact spaces and he has proved the following interesting theorem:

If space $X = X_1 \cup X_2$, X_1, X_2 are closed and strongly paracompact subspaces, and the space $X_1 \cap X_2$ has the locally Lindelöf property, then X is itself strongly paracompact. In this note, we shall obtain some generalizations of V. Trnkova's Theorem.

Let us quickly recall the definitions of terms which are used in this note. Let X be a topological space, and \mathfrak{R} be a collection of subsets of X . The collection \mathfrak{R} is said to be *locally finite* if every point of X has a neighborhood which intersects only finitely many elements of \mathfrak{R} . The collection \mathfrak{R} is said to be *star finite* (resp. *star countable*) if each element of \mathfrak{R} intersects only finitely (resp. only countably) many elements of \mathfrak{R} . Finally, X is said to be *paracompact* (resp. *strongly paracompact*) if X is Hausdorff and every open covering of X has a locally finite open covering (resp. star finite open covering) of X as a refinement.

§1. Generalizations. In this section, we shall get some generalizations of V. Trnkova's Theorem. At first, we shall show some lemmas.

Lemma 1. *Let $\mathfrak{B} = \{B_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}$ be a locally finite closed covering of a regular space X . If each B_α has the locally Lindelöf property as a subspace, then X has the locally Lindelöf property.*

Proof. Let x_0 be an arbitrary point of X . Then, there exists a closed neighborhood $V_0(x_0)$ of x_0 in X such that $V_0(x_0)$ intersects only all the members $B_{\alpha_1}, \dots, B_{\alpha_n}$ containing x_0 . For each $i=1, 2, \dots, n$, by the locally Lindelöf property of B_{α_i} , we have the closed neighborhood $V_i(x_0)$ of x_0 in X such that $V_i(x_0) \cap B_{\alpha_i}$ has the Lindelöf property. Let $V = \bigcap_{i=0}^n V_i(x_0)$, then V is a neighborhood of x_0 and $V = V \cap (\bigcup_{i=1}^n B_{\alpha_i}) = \bigcup_{i=1}^n (V \cap B_{\alpha_i})$. This relation implies the Lindelöf property of V . Thus we get Lemma 1.

Lemma 2. *Let $\{F'_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}$ be a locally finite closed covering of a regular space X where the index set A is a well ordered set. If we define as follows: $F_1 = F'_1$, $F_\alpha = \overline{F'_\alpha} \cup \bigcup_{\beta < \alpha} F'_\beta$ for each $\alpha > 1$, then*

$\{F_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}$ is a locally finite closed covering of X such that $Q = \bigcup_{\alpha \neq \beta} (F_\alpha \cap F_\beta) \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} \mathfrak{B}(F'_\alpha)$ where $\mathfrak{B}(F'_\alpha)$ denotes the boundary of F'_α .

Proof. It is obvious that $\{F'_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}$ is a locally finite closed covering of X . Suppose that x_0 be an arbitrary element of Q . Then, $x_0 \in F'_\alpha \cap F'_\beta$ for some $\alpha < \beta$, and hence $x_0 \in F'_\alpha$. If $x_0 \notin \mathfrak{B}(F'_\alpha)$, then there exists a neighborhood $V(x_0)$ contained in F'_α and hence $V(x_0) \subset \bigcup_{\gamma < \beta} F'_\gamma$. Then we get $x_0 \notin F'_\beta$, which is a contradiction.

By use of the above lemmas, we shall prove the following theorem which is a generalization of V. Trnkova's theorem.

Theorem 1. Let $\mathfrak{F}' = \{F'_i \mid i = 1, 2, \dots\}$ be a locally finite closed covering of a regular T_1 -space X such that each member F'_i of \mathfrak{F}' is a strongly paracompact subspace. If $\mathfrak{B}(F'_i)$ has the locally Lindelöf property for each $i = 1, 2, \dots$, then X is strongly paracompact.

Proof. It is obvious that X is paracompact. Now, let $F_1 = F'_1$, $F_i = \overline{F'_i} - \bigcup_{j < i} \overline{F'_j}$ for $i > 1$ and $Q = \bigcup_{i \neq j} (F_i \cap F_j)$, then $\mathfrak{F} = \{F_i \mid i = 1, 2, \dots\}$ is a locally finite closed covering of X such that $Q \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}(F'_i)$ by Lemma 2, and $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}(F'_i)$ has the locally Lindelöf property by Lemma 1. On the other hand, it is easily seen that Q is a closed subspace of X and hence Q is a paracompact subspace with the locally Lindelöf property. Therefore we can get the discrete covering $\mathfrak{G} = \{G_\lambda \mid \lambda \in A\}$ of Q such that G_λ has the Lindelöf property for each $\lambda \in A$ by V. Šedivá [2]. In order to show the strong paracompactness of X , let \mathfrak{W} be an arbitrary open covering of X , then it is sufficient to show that \mathfrak{B} has a star countable open covering of X as a refinement.

At first, we shall find the open covering \mathfrak{U} of X such that \mathfrak{U} is a star refinement of \mathfrak{B} and each member of \mathfrak{U} intersects at most one element of \mathfrak{G} . For this purpose, let $\mathfrak{W}' = \{W_{\alpha\lambda} \mid \alpha \in A; \lambda \in A\}$, where $W_{\alpha\lambda} = W_\alpha \cap (G_\lambda \cup (X - Q))$, then \mathfrak{W}' is an open covering of X and the refinement of \mathfrak{B} .

Now, since X is a regular T_1 -space, X is fully normal by A. H. Stone [4] and so there exists an open covering \mathfrak{U} of X such that \mathfrak{U} is a star refinement of \mathfrak{W}' . Let U be an arbitrary member of \mathfrak{U} and so U is contained in some member of \mathfrak{W}' , that is: $U \subset W_{\alpha_0\lambda_0} = W_{\alpha_0} \cap (G_{\lambda_0} \cup (X - Q))$ for some $\alpha_0 \in A$, $\lambda_0 \in A$, and therefore $U \cap Q \subset G_{\lambda_0}$. This implies that U intersects at most one element of G_{λ_0} of \mathfrak{G} from the mutual disjointedness of $\{G_\lambda \mid \lambda \in A\}$. Thus we can get the open covering \mathfrak{U} of X such that \mathfrak{U} is a star refinement of \mathfrak{B} and each member of \mathfrak{U} intersects at most one element of \mathfrak{G} .

Next, let $\mathfrak{U}_i = \mathfrak{U} \cap F_i^{(1)}$ for each $i = 1, 2, \dots$, then, there exists a

1) $\mathfrak{U} \cap F$ will denote the collection $\{U \cap F \mid U \in \mathfrak{U}\}$.

star countable covering \mathfrak{S}_i of F_i such that \mathfrak{S}_i is a open collection in F_i and a refinement of \mathfrak{U}_i by the assumption. For each $i=1, 2, \dots$, and each $\lambda \in \Lambda$, we can get a countable subcollection $\mathfrak{S}_{\lambda i}$ of \mathfrak{S}_i such that $\mathfrak{S}_{\lambda i}$ is a covering of $G_\lambda \cap F_i$ from the Lindelöf property of $G_\lambda \cap F_i$, where we may assume that for each V_i^λ of $\mathfrak{S}_{\lambda i}$, $V_i^\lambda \cap G_\lambda \cap F_i \neq \emptyset$ and hence $V_i^\lambda \cap Q \subset G_\lambda$. Still more, for each $\lambda \in \Lambda$, let $\mathfrak{S}_\lambda = \left\{ \text{Int} \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n V_{j(k_i)}^\lambda \right) \mid V_{j(k_i)}^\lambda \in \mathfrak{S}_{\lambda k_i} \text{ for } i=1, 2, \dots, n; \bigcap_{i=1}^n V_{j(k_i)}^\lambda \neq \emptyset; j(k_i)=1, 2, \dots \text{ for } i=1, 2, \dots, n; n=1, 2, \dots \right\}$. Then \mathfrak{S}_λ is evidently a countable open collection in X and furthermore we shall show that this collection \mathfrak{S}_λ is a covering of G_λ .

For this purpose, let x_0 be an arbitrary point of G_λ , then there exists a neighborhood $V(x_0)$ of x_0 in X such that " $V(x_0) \cap F_j \neq \emptyset$ " is equivalent to " $x_0 \in F_j$ ". Let F_{i_1}, \dots, F_{i_n} be all the members of \mathfrak{F} containing x_0 . For each $j=1, 2, \dots, n$, $x_0 \in G_\lambda \cap F_{i_j}$, and hence there exists an open neighborhood V'_{i_j} of x_0 in X such that $x_0 \in V'_{i_j} \cap F_{i_j} \subset V_{i_j}$ for some V_{i_j} of $\mathfrak{S}_{\lambda i_j}$. Let $G = V(x_0) \cap \left(\bigcap_{j=1}^n V'_{i_j} \right)$, then G is a neighborhood of x_0 in X and $G \subset \bigcup_{j=1}^n V_{i_j}$, where $x_0 \in V_{i_j} \in \mathfrak{S}_{\lambda i_j}$.

This means $x_0 \in \text{Int} \left(\bigcup_{j=1}^n V_{i_j} \right)$ and $\text{Int} \left(\bigcup_{j=1}^n V_{i_j} \right)$ is a member of \mathfrak{S}_λ . Lastly let $\mathfrak{S}_i = \{ V - Q \mid V \in \mathfrak{S}_i - \bigcup_{\lambda} \mathfrak{S}_{\lambda i} \}$ for each $i=1, 2, \dots$ and $\mathfrak{S} = \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathfrak{S}_i \right) \cup \left(\bigcup_{\lambda} \mathfrak{S}_\lambda \right)$. Then we shall show that this collection \mathfrak{S} is a star countable open covering of X and a refinement of \mathfrak{B} .

(1) \mathfrak{S} is an open family of X . For this purpose, it suffices to show that \mathfrak{S}_i is an open collection of X for each $i=1, 2, \dots$. Let $V - Q$ be an arbitrary member of \mathfrak{S}_i , where V is a member of $\mathfrak{S}_i - \bigcup_{\lambda} \mathfrak{S}_{\lambda i}$. By the openness of V in F_i , there exists an open V' in X such that $V = V' \cap F_i$, and so

$$\begin{aligned} V &= V' \cap F_i = V' \cap \left((X - \bigcup_{j \neq i} F_j) \cup (Q \cap F_i) \right) \\ &= \left(V' \cap (X - \bigcup_{j \neq i} F_j) \right) \cup (V' \cap Q \cap F_i) \end{aligned}$$

and hence $V - Q = V' \cap (X - \bigcup_{j \neq i} F_j) \cap (X - Q)$ is clearly open in X .

(2) \mathfrak{S} is a covering of X . Since $\bigcup_{\lambda} \mathfrak{S}_\lambda$ is a covering of $\bigcup_{\lambda} G_\lambda$, let x_0 be an arbitrary point of $X - \left(\bigcup_{\lambda} \mathfrak{S}_\lambda^* \right)$ and hence $x_0 \notin \bigcup_{\lambda} G_\lambda = Q$, and so there exists only one positive integer i_0 such that $x_0 \in F_{i_0} - Q$. By the fact that \mathfrak{S}_{i_0} is a covering of F_{i_0} , there exists some open set U_0 in X such that $x_0 \in U_0 \cap F_{i_0} = V_0 \in \mathfrak{S}_{i_0}$. Since $\text{Int}(V_0) = U_0 \cap \text{Int}(F_{i_0}) \ni x_0$, $x_0 \in \text{Int}(V_0)$ where $V_0 \in \mathfrak{S}_{i_0}$. Accordingly, if V_0 is a member of $\bigcup_{\lambda} \mathfrak{S}_{\lambda i_0}$, then $x_0 \in \bigcup_{\lambda} \mathfrak{S}_\lambda^*$. This is contrary to $x_0 \in X - \bigcup_{\lambda} \mathfrak{S}_\lambda^*$, and so $x_0 \in \hat{V}_0 - Q$

2) For the collection \mathfrak{u} of subsets of X , \mathfrak{u}^* will denote the set $\bigcup \{ U \mid U \in \mathfrak{u} \}$.

$\in \mathfrak{G}_{i_0}$. This means $x_0 \in \mathfrak{G}_{i_0}^*$.

(3) \mathfrak{G} is a refinement of \mathfrak{B} . It is obvious that \mathfrak{G}_i is a refinement of \mathfrak{B} for each $i=1, 2, \dots$ and so let λ_0 be an arbitrary index of \mathcal{A} and moreover V_0 be an arbitrary element of \mathfrak{S}_{λ_0} . Then we may rewrite as follows:

$$V_0 = \text{Int}\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n V_{j(k_i)}^{\lambda_0}\right) \text{ where } V_{j(k_i)}^{\lambda_0} \in \mathfrak{S}_{\lambda_0 k_i} \text{ and } \bigcap_1^n V_{j(k_i)}^{\lambda_0} \neq \emptyset,$$

and so there exists a point x_0 such that $x_0 \in \bigcap_1^n V_{j(k_i)}^{\lambda_0}$. On the other hand, for each $i=0, 1, \dots, n$, there exists a member U_i of \mathcal{U} such that $x_0 \in U_0$, and $x_0 \in V_{j(k_i)}^{\lambda_0} \subset U_i$ for $i=1, 2, \dots, n$. Therefore $V_0 \subset \bigcup_1^n V_{j(k_i)}^{\lambda_0} \subset \bigcup_1^n U_i \subset \text{st}(U_0, \mathcal{U}) \subset W_{\alpha_0}$ for some $W_{\alpha_0} \in \mathfrak{B}$. This means that \mathfrak{S}_{λ_0} is a refinement of \mathfrak{B} .

(4) \mathfrak{G} is star countable.

(4.1) Let i_0 be an arbitrary positive number and $V-Q$ be an arbitrary member of \mathfrak{G}_{i_0} where $V \in \mathfrak{S}_{i_0} - \bigcup \mathfrak{S}_{\lambda i_0}$. By the definitions of $\{\mathfrak{G}_i \mid i=1, 2, \dots\}$ and $Q, \mathfrak{G}_j^* \cap \mathfrak{G}_{i_0}^* = \emptyset$ for every $j \neq i_0$. If $(V-Q) \cap V_0 \neq \emptyset$ for some $V_0 = \text{Int}\left(\bigcup_1^n V_{j(k_i)}^{\lambda}\right) \in \mathfrak{S}_{\lambda}$, where $V_{j(k_i)}^{\lambda} \in \mathfrak{S}_{\lambda k_i}$, then $(V-Q) \cap V_{j(t)}^{\lambda} \neq \emptyset$ for some $t \in \{k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n\}$. Since $V_{j(t)}^{\lambda} \subset F_t$ and $V-Q \subset \text{Int}(F_{i_0}) = \{y \mid y \notin F_i \text{ for every } i \neq i_0\}$, we have $t = i_0$. This fact shows the following: If $(V-Q) \cap V_0 \neq \emptyset$, then $i_0 \in \{k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n\}$ and $(V-Q) \cap V_{j(i_0)}^{\lambda} \neq \emptyset$. On the other hand, $\{\lambda \mid V \cap V_{j(i_0)}^{\lambda} \neq \emptyset, V_{j(i_0)}^{\lambda} \in \mathfrak{S}_{i_0}\}$ is countable, and hence $\{\lambda \mid (V-Q) \cap V_{j(i_0)}^{\lambda} \neq \emptyset\}$ is countable by the facts that \mathfrak{S}_{i_0} is star countable and $\{\mathfrak{S}_{\lambda i_0} \mid \lambda\}$ is mutually disjoint. Furthermore \mathfrak{G}_{i_0} is clearly star countable. These mean that $V-Q$ intersects only countably many elements of \mathfrak{G} .

(4.2) Let λ_0 be an arbitrary element of \mathcal{A} , and $\text{Int}(V_0)$ be an arbitrary member of \mathfrak{G}_{λ_0} where $V_0 = \bigcup \{V_{j(k_i)}^{\lambda_0} \mid V_{j(k_i)}^{\lambda_0} \in \mathfrak{S}_{\lambda_0 k_i} \text{ for } i=1, 2, \dots, n\}$. Then, by the definition of $\{\mathfrak{S}_{\lambda k_i} \mid \lambda\}$, all the indices of λ' that $V_{k_i}^{\lambda_0}$ intersects $V_{k_i}^{\lambda'}$ is countable for each $i=1, 2, \dots, n$, and therefore, in order to show that $\text{Int}(V_0)$ intersects only countably many elements of $\bigcup \mathfrak{S}_{\lambda}$ it is sufficient to show that the set $\{V_j^{\lambda'} \mid V_j^{\lambda'} \in \mathfrak{S}_{\lambda' j}, V_{k_i}^{\lambda_0} \cap V_j^{\lambda'} \neq \emptyset; \lambda \neq \lambda', j \neq k_j\}$ is countable for each $i=1, 2, \dots, n$. In reality, this set is empty. Lastly we shall show that $\text{Int}(V_0)$ intersects only countably many elements of $\bigcup_1^{\infty} \mathfrak{G}_i$. For this purpose, let j be any integer, then we can consider the two cases: [1] $j \notin \{k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n\}$ and [2] $j \in \{k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n\}$. In the first case, $\text{Int}(V_0) \cap \mathfrak{G}_j^* = \emptyset$. In the second case, that is, $j = k_{i_0}$ for some $i_0 (1 \leq i_0 \leq n)$, " $(V-Q) \cap V_0 \neq \emptyset$ " is equivalent to " $(V-Q) \cap V_{k_{i_0}}^{\lambda_0} \neq \emptyset$ ". Since $\mathfrak{S}_{k_{i_0}}$ is star countable, $V_{k_{i_0}}^{\lambda_0}$ intersects only countably many elements of $\mathfrak{S}_{k_{i_0}} - \bigcup_{\lambda} \mathfrak{S}_{\lambda k_{i_0}}$ and so $V_{k_{i_0}}^{\lambda_0}$ intersects only countably many

elements of $\mathfrak{S}_{k_{i_0}}$. This shows that $\text{Int}(V_0)$ intersects only countably many elements of \mathfrak{S}_j .

From (1), (2), (3), and (4), we can see that \mathfrak{S} is a star countable open refinement of \mathfrak{B} . Since X is a regular T_1 -space, X is strongly paracompact by a theorem of Yu. Smirnov [3].

By use of Theorem 1, we can prove the following main theorem which is also a generalization of V. Trnkova's theorem.

Theorem 2. *Let X be a regular T_1 -space and $\mathfrak{F} = \{F_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}$ be a locally finite, star countable closed covering of X such that $\mathfrak{B}(F_\alpha)$ has the locally Lindelöf property for each $\alpha \in A$. Then, in order that the space X be strongly paracompact, it is necessary and sufficient that F_α be a strongly paracompact subspace for each $\alpha \in A$.*

Proof. Necessity is obvious and so we shall prove the sufficiency. Let $\{\mathfrak{F}_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ be all the components³⁾ of \mathfrak{F} and H_λ be \mathfrak{F}_λ^* for each $\lambda \in \Lambda$. Then, by the definition of \mathfrak{F} , H_λ is open and closed in X , and furthermore \mathfrak{F}_λ is a countable collection and hence $\{H_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ is discrete covering of X such that each H_λ is strongly paracompact for each $\lambda \in \Lambda$ by Theorem 1, and so X is strongly paracompact from the mutual disjointedness of $\{H_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$. This completes the proof.

§ 2. Applications. In this section, we shall prove two theorems as the consequences of Theorem 1.

Definition. Let X be a topological space and K be a subset of X . A space X has the locally Lindelöf property at K if, for each x of K , there exists an arbitrary small neighborhood U of x in X such that U has the Lindelöf property.

Theorem 3. *Let $\mathfrak{F} = \{F'_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}$ be a locally finite closed covering of a regular T_1 -space X such that X has the locally Lindelöf property at $\bigcup_{\alpha \in A} \mathfrak{B}(F'_\alpha)$. If F'_α is strongly paracompact for each $\alpha \in A$, then X is strongly paracompact.*

Proof. Let A be a well ordered set and $F_1 = F'_1$, $F_\alpha = \overline{F'_\alpha - \bigcup_{\beta < \alpha} F'_\beta}$ for every $\alpha > 1$. Let $Q = \bigcup_{\alpha \neq \beta} (F_\alpha \cap F_\beta)$, then Q is closed in X and X has the locally Lindelöf property at Q by Lemma 2. Therefore $Q \subset \bigcup_{x \in Q} V(x)$, where $V(x)$ is an open neighborhood of x in X with the Lindelöf closure. It is obvious that X is paracompact and so is normal, and hence there exists an open set G in X such that

3) Let X be a topological space and let \mathfrak{F} be a collection of subsets of X . We call that \mathfrak{F}' , subcollection of \mathfrak{F} , is *connected* if for any two elements F_α, F_β of \mathfrak{F}' , there exists a finite sequence F_1, \dots, F_n of \mathfrak{F}' such that $F_1 = F_\alpha, F_n = F_\beta$ and such that $F_i \cap F_{i+1} \neq \emptyset$ ($1 \leq i \leq n-1$). \mathfrak{F}' is called *component* of \mathfrak{F} if no subcollection of \mathfrak{F}' which contains \mathfrak{F}' is connected.

$Q \subset G \subset \bar{G} \subset \bigcup_{x \in Q} V(x)$, and so \bar{G} is a neighborhood of Q and a closed paracompact subspace with the locally Lindelöf property. Therefore \bar{G} is strongly paracompact. On the other hand, let $H_\alpha = F_\alpha - G$ for each $\alpha \in A$, then it is easily seen that $\{H_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}$ is clearly a discrete closed collection and H_α is strongly paracompact, and so $H = \bigcup_{\alpha} H_\alpha$ is strongly paracompact closed subspace of X . Then $\{H, \bar{G}\}$ is a closed covering of X such that subspaces H, \bar{G} are strongly paracompact and $H \cap \bar{G}$ has the locally Lindelöf property. This implies the strong paracompactness of X by Theorem 1 (or, by V. Trnkova's theorem [5]).

Theorem 4. *Let X be a normal T_1 -space and $\mathfrak{G} = \{G_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}$ be a locally finite open covering of X . If G_α is a strongly paracompact subspace with the locally Lindelöf property for each $\alpha \in A$, then X is itself strongly paracompact.*

Proof. Since X is normal, there exists a closed covering $\{F_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}$ of X such that $F_\alpha \subset G_\alpha$ for each $\alpha \in A$ and hence $\{F_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}$ is a locally finite closed covering of X such that F_α is strongly paracompact for each $\alpha \in A$. By the assumption, it is easily seen that X has a locally Lindelöf property at $\bigcup_{\alpha \in A} \mathfrak{B}(F_\alpha)$. This completes the proof of Theorem 4.

Remark. Theorem 3 is a generalization of Theorem 2 in our previous note [1], from the point of view of obtaining only the strong paracompactness of a space.

In Theorem 5 in the same note [1], we assumed the regularity of X instead of the normality in Theorem 4, and more we assumed the locally Lindelöf property of $\mathfrak{B}(G_\alpha)$ for each α . Therefore we may consider that Theorem 4 is a generalization of Theorem 5 in [1].

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