## 45. A Note on Hausdorff Spaces with the Star-finite Property. II

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K. Morita [4] constructed, for every metric space R, a 0-dimensional metric space S and a closed continuous mapping f of S onto R such that  $f^{-1}(x)$  is compact for every point x of R. The purpose of this note is to give an analogous proposition to this theorem for the case when R is paracompact Hausdorff. As for the terminologies and the notations used in this note, refer to my previous note [7].

**Theorem 1.** Let f be a closed continuous mapping of a regular space R onto a topological space S with the star-finite property such that  $f^{-1}(y)$  has the Lindelöf property for every point y of S. Then R has the star-finite property.

Proof. Let II be an arbitrary open covering of R. For every point y of S let  $\mathbb{I}_y = \{U_a; \alpha \in A_y\}$  be a subcollection of II which consists of countable elements such that  $\mathbb{I}_y$  covers  $f^{-1}(y)$ . Let  $U_y = \bigcup \{U_a; \alpha \in A_y\}$  and  $V_y = S - f(R - U_y)$ . Then  $V_y$  is an open neighborhood of y. Let  $\mathfrak{B} = \{V_\beta; \beta \in B\}$  be a star-finite open covering of S which refines  $\{V_y; y \in S\}$ . Let us define a (single-valued) mapping  $\varphi$  of B into Ssuch that  $\varphi(\beta) = y$  yields  $V_{\beta} \subset V_y$ . Let  $W_y = f^{-1}(V_y)$  and  $W_{\beta} = f^{-1}(V_{\beta})$ . Then we can prove that  $\mathfrak{B} = \{W_\beta \cap U_a; \alpha \in A_{\varphi(\beta)}, \beta \in B\}$  is a star-countable open covering of R.

To show that  $\mathfrak{W}$  covers R, let x be an arbitrary point of R. Then there exists  $\beta \in B$  such that  $x \in W_{\beta}$ . Since  $V_{\beta} \subset V_{\varphi(\beta)}$ , we get  $W_{\beta} \subset W_{\varphi(\beta)}$ . Since  $W_{\varphi(\beta)} \subset U_{\varphi(\beta)}$  and  $U_{\varphi(\beta)} = \smile \{U_{\alpha}; \alpha \in A_{\varphi(\beta)}\}$ , there exists an  $\alpha \in A_{\varphi(\beta)}$  such that  $x \in U_{\alpha}$ . Hence  $\mathfrak{W}$  is an open covering of R. On the other hand the star-countability of  $\mathfrak{W}$  is almost evident. Therefore we can conclude that R has the star-countable property. Since in general a regular space with the star-countable property has the star-finite property by Yu. Smirnov [9],<sup>1)</sup> R has so and the theorem is proved.

**Theorem 2.** Let R be a non-empty paracompact Hausdorff space. Then there exist a paracompact Hausdorff space A with dim A=0and a closed continuous mapping f of A onto R such that  $f^{-1}(x)$  is compact for every point x of R.

*Proof.* Let  $\{\mathfrak{F}_{\alpha} = \{F_{\alpha}; \alpha \in A_{\lambda}\}; \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  be the collection of all locally finite colsed coverings of R. Let A be the aggregate of points a

<sup>1)</sup> This theorem is also almost essentially proved in Morita [5].

 $=(\alpha_{\lambda}; \lambda \in \Lambda)$  of the product space  $\Pi\{A_{\lambda}; \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ , where  $A_{\lambda}$  are topological spaces with the discrete topology, such that  $\frown\{F_{\alpha_{\lambda}}; \lambda \in \Lambda\} \neq \phi$ . When  $\frown\{F_{\alpha_{\lambda}}; \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is not empty, it is a single point. Define  $f: A \to R$  as  $f(a) = \frown\{F_{\pi_{\lambda}(a)}; \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ , where  $\pi_{\lambda}: B \to A_{\lambda}, \lambda \in \Lambda$ , is the restriction of the projection defined on  $\Pi A_{\lambda}$  into  $A_{\lambda}$ . It can easily be seen that f is continuous and onto.

To show the closedness of f, let B be an arbitrary non-empty closed subset of A and x an arbitrary point of  $\overline{f(B)}$ . Let  $\lambda$  be an arbitrary element of  $\Lambda$ . Let  $B_{\lambda} = \{\alpha; x \in F_{\alpha} \in \mathfrak{F}_{\lambda}\}$ ; then  $U_{\lambda} = R - \bigcup \{F_{\alpha}; \alpha \in A_{\lambda} - B_{\lambda}\}$  is an open neighborhood of x by the local finiteness of  $\mathfrak{F}_{\lambda}$ . Since  $f(B) \cap U_{\lambda} \neq \phi$ , it holds that  $B \cap f^{-1}(U_{\lambda}) \neq \phi$ . Since  $f^{-1}(U_{\lambda}) \subset \bigcup \{\pi_{\lambda}^{-1}(\alpha); \alpha \in B_{\lambda}\}$ , there exists an index  $\alpha(\lambda) \in B_{\lambda}$  with  $\pi_{\lambda}^{-1}(\alpha(\lambda)) \cap B \neq \phi$ .

Let  $a = (\alpha(\lambda); \lambda \in \Lambda)$ ; then it is easy to see that f(a) = x. Since, for any  $\lambda$ ,  $\pi_{\lambda}^{-1}(\pi_{\lambda}(a)) \frown B = \pi_{\lambda}^{-1}(a(\lambda)) \frown B \neq \phi$ , a is a point of  $\overline{B} = B$ . Therefore we get  $x = f(a) \in f(B)$  and hence  $\overline{f(B)} \subset f(B)$ . Thus the closedness of f is proved. Moreover  $f^{-1}(x)$  is compact, since  $f^{-1}(x)$  $= \Pi\{B_{\lambda}; \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  and  $B_{\lambda}$  is finite for every  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ .

Finally let us prove that A is a paracompact Hausdorff space with dim A=0. Let ll be an arbitrary open covering of A; then ll can be refined by a covering  $\mathfrak{B}$  whose elements are open and closed, by the equality ind A=0. Since, for any  $x \in R$ ,  $f^{-1}(x)$  is compact, there exist a finite number of elements  $V_{x,1}, \dots, V_{x,m(x)}$  of  $\mathfrak{B}$  with  $f^{-1}(x) \subset V_{x,1} \smile \cdots \smile V_{x,m(x)} = W_x$ , where we can put  $V_{x,1} = \phi$ ,  $x \in R$ , without loss of generality. Put  $D(x) = R - f(A - W_x)$ ; then there exists an index  $\lambda_0 \in A$  such that  $\mathfrak{F}_{\lambda_0}$  refines  $\{D(x); x \in R\}$ . Since i)  $\{\pi_{\lambda_0}^{-1}(\alpha); \alpha \in A_{\lambda}\}$  refines  $\{f^{-1}(D(x)); x \in R\}$  and the latter refines  $\{W_x; x \in R\}$  and ii) the order of  $\{\pi_{\lambda_0}^{-1}(\alpha); \alpha \in A_{\lambda}\}$  is 1, we can prove, by an easy transfinite induction on  $x \in R$ , the existence of an open covering  $\{U_x; x \in R\}$  of order 1 with  $U_x \subset W_x$  for every  $x \in R$ .

Let  $\mathfrak{E} = \{ U_x \frown (V_{x,i} - \bigcup_{j \leq i} V_{x,j}); i = 2, \dots, m(x), x \in R \};$  then  $\mathfrak{E}$  is an open covering of A of order 1 which refines  $\mathfrak{U}$ . Thus A is a paracompact Hausdorff space with dim A = 0 and the theorem is proved.

**Remark.** An analogous result to our Theorem 2 has been obtained independently by V. Ponomarev [8]. He proves that for any normal space R there exist a completely regular space A with ind A=0 and a closed continuous mapping f of A onto R such that i)  $f^{-1}(x)$  is compact for every x of R, ii)  $f(A_1) \neq R$  for any proper closed subset  $A_1$  of  $A_1^{(2)}$  iii)  $\tau A = \tau R$ , where  $\tau A$  and  $\tau R$  denote respectively the topological weights<sup>30</sup> of A and R. We shall show in the following that this theorem is valid even if R is completely regular. He says

<sup>2)</sup> A mapping with this property ii) is called *irreducible*.

<sup>3)</sup> The topological weight of a topological space is the minimum of the cardinal numbers of its open bases.

also that A cited in his theorem is normal. But it seems that, as far as I know, there has been no paper which assures the normality of A. I hope that he will make a public expression of his proof.

**Lemma 1.** Let R be a topological space, S a space and f a mapping of R onto S such that  $f^{-1}(y)$  is compact for every point  $y \in S$ . Then there exists a closed subset  $R_1$  of R such that  $f | R_1$  is irreducible.

**Proof.** Let  $\mathfrak{F} = \{F_a; \alpha \in A\}$  be the family of all closed subsets  $F_\alpha$  of R such that  $f(F_\alpha) = S$ . Let us introduce into  $\mathfrak{F}$  the semi-order < such that  $F_\alpha < F_\beta$  if and only if  $F_\alpha \supset F_\beta$ . Let  $\mathfrak{F}_1 = \{F_\alpha; \alpha \in A_1\}$  be an arbitrary linearly ordered subset of  $\mathfrak{F}$  and y an arbitrary point of S. Then  $\{F_\alpha \frown f^{-1}(y); \alpha \in A_1\}$  has clearly the finite intersection property. Hence  $\frown \{F_a; \alpha \in A_1\} \frown f^{-1}(y) \neq \phi$ , which proves  $\frown \{F_a; \alpha \in A_1\} \in \mathfrak{F}$ . Thus  $\mathfrak{F}_1$  has an upper bound in  $\mathfrak{F}$ . Therefore by Zorn's lemma  $\mathfrak{F}$  has a maximal element  $R_1$ .  $f \mid R_1$  is evidently irreducible.

**Theorem 3.** Let R be a non-empty completely regular space. Then there exist a completely regular space A and a closed continuous mapping f of A onto R which satisfy the following conditions. (1)  $f^{-1}(x)$  is compact for every point  $x \in R$ .

- (2) f is irreducible.
- (3) ind A=0.
- (4)  $\tau A \leq \tau R.$

**Proof.** Embed R densely into a compact Hausdorff space S with  $\tau R = \tau S$ ; this is possible. Let  $\mathfrak{U} = \{U_{\varepsilon}; \varepsilon \in S\}$  be an open basis of S with  $|S| = \tau R$ . Let  $\mathfrak{M} = \{M_{\sigma}; \sigma \in \Sigma_1\}$  be the family of all finite subsets  $M_{\sigma}$  of S; then  $|\mathfrak{M}| = |S| = \tau R$ . Hence we have  $|F| = \tau R$ , where  $F = \{\mathfrak{F}_{\sigma}; \sigma \in \Sigma\} = \{\mathfrak{F}_{\sigma} = \{\overline{U}_{\varepsilon}; \varepsilon \in M_{\sigma}\}; M_{\sigma} \in \mathfrak{M}, \bigvee \{\overline{U}_{\varepsilon}; \varepsilon \in M_{\sigma}\} = S\}$ . Consider the product space  $\Pi\{M_{\sigma}; \sigma \in \Sigma\}$ , where  $M_{\sigma}$  are topological spaces with the discrete topology. Then  $\tau \Pi\{M_{\sigma}; \sigma \in \Sigma\} \leq |\mathfrak{M}| = \tau R$ . Let B be the aggregate of points  $a = (\varepsilon(\sigma); \sigma \in \Sigma)$  of  $\Pi M_{\sigma}$  such that  $\neg \overline{U}_{\varepsilon(\sigma)} \neq \phi$ . Then  $\tau B \leq \tau \Pi M_{\sigma} \leq \tau R$ . When  $\neg \{\overline{U}_{\varepsilon(\sigma)}; \sigma \in \Sigma\}$  is not empty, it consists of a single point. Define  $g: B \rightarrow S$  as  $g(a) = \neg \{\overline{U}_{\pi_{\sigma}(a)}; \sigma \in \Sigma\}$ . Then by the same argument used in the proof of Theorem 2 we can know that i) B is a compact Hausdorff space with dim B = 0, ii) g is continuous and onto.

Let  $A_1 = g^{-1}(R)$  and  $g_1 = g | A_1$ . Then the following conditions are satisfied: i)  $g_1$  is closed continuous and onto. ii) For every point  $x \in R$ ,  $g_1^{-1}(x)$  is compact. iii)  $\tau A_1 \leq \tau B \leq \tau R$ . iv) ind  $A_1 = 0$ . By Lemma 1 there exists a closed subset A of  $A_1$  such that  $f = g_1 | A$  is irreducible. A and f thus obtained satisfy all the conditions required and the theorem is proved.

**Lemma 2.** Let f be a closed continuous mapping of a topological space R onto a paracompact space S such that  $f^{-1}(y)$  is compact for every point  $y \in S$ . Then R is paracompact.

Cf. S. Hanai [2] or M. Henriksen-R. Isbell [3, Theorem 2.2].

**Corollary.** Let R be a non-empty paracompact Hausdorff<sup>4</sup> S<sub>o</sub>-space.<sup>5</sup> Then there exist a paracompact Hausdorff S<sub>o</sub>-space A with dim A=0 and a closed continuous mapping f of A onto R which satisfy the following conditions.

- (1)  $f^{-1}(x)$  is compact for every point x of R.
- (2) f is irreducible.
- (3) dim A=0.
- $(4) \quad \tau A \leq \tau R.$

*Proof.* By Theorem 2 there exist a completely regular space A with ind A=0 and a closed continuous mapping f of A onto R which satisfy the conditions (1), (2), (4). Let  $R=\underset{i=1}{\overset{\sim}{\leftarrow}}R_i$  where  $R_i$ ,  $i=1, 2, \cdots$ , are non-empty closed subsets with the star-finite property. Then  $A_i = f^{-1}(R_i)$ ,  $i=1, 2, \cdots$ , is a closed subset of A with the star-finite property by Theorem 1. Hence by Morita [6, Theorem 5.2] we get dim  $A_i=0$ . Moreover by Lemma 2 A is paracompact and hence A is normal by J. Dieudonné [1]. Therefore by the sum theorem we get dim A=0 and the corollary is proved.

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<sup>4)</sup> This condition of R can be replaced with a weaker condition, collectionwise normality of R, since the following proposition is as can easily be seen valid: Let  $F_i$ ,  $i=1,2,\cdots$ , be pointwise paracompact closed subsets of a collectionwise normal space; then  $\smile F_i$  is paracompact.

<sup>5)</sup> A space which is the sum of a countable number of closed subsets with the star-finite property is called an  $S_{\sigma}$ -space. This notion is due to Morita.