

99. On Expandability

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In [1] Katětov proved the following useful theorem :

A normal space X is collectionwise normal and countably paracompact if and only if

(*) for every locally finite collection $\{F_\lambda | \lambda \in A\}$ of subsets of X there exists a locally finite collection $\{G_\lambda | \lambda \in A\}$ of open subsets of X such that $F_\lambda \subset G_\lambda$ for every $\lambda \in A$.

Recently, Krajewski [3] has called a topological space X *expandable* if X satisfies this condition (*). Smith and Krajewski [4] have introduced some generalizations (almost expandability, etc.) of expandability, and they have obtained various results concerning these notions.

In this paper, we shall introduce new notions of θ -expandability, subexpandability etc., and obtain analogous results. Furthermore, we shall study additional properties of expandable spaces, θ -expandable spaces etc.

The proofs and details of the results will be published elsewhere.

1. A collection \mathfrak{A} of subsets of a space X is said to be *bounded locally finite* [2], if there exists a positive integer n such that every point of X has a neighborhood which intersects at most n elements of \mathfrak{A} . Every discrete collection is bounded locally finite and every bounded locally finite collection is locally finite.

A space X is said to be *θ -expandable* (resp. *boundedly θ -expandable* or *discretely θ -expandable*), if for every locally finite (resp. bounded locally finite or discrete) collection $\{F_\lambda | \lambda \in A\}$ of subsets of X there exists a sequence $\mathfrak{G}_n = \{G_{\lambda,n} | \lambda \in A\}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$, of collections of open subsets of X satisfying the following two conditions :

- (1) $F_\lambda \subset G_{\lambda,n}$ for each $\lambda \in A$ and each n .
- (2) For each point x of X there exists a positive integer n such that only finitely many elements of \mathfrak{G}_n contain x .

Theorem 1.1. (a) X is boundedly θ -expandable if and only if X is discretely θ -expandable.

(b) X is θ -expandable if and only if X is discretely θ -expandable and countably θ -refinable.

(c) A θ -refinable space is θ -expandable.

A space X is said to be *discretely subexpandable*, if for every discrete collection $\{F_\lambda | \lambda \in A\}$ of subsets of X there exists a sequence

$\mathfrak{G}_n = \{G_{\lambda, n} \mid \lambda \in A\}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$, of collections of open subsets of X satisfying the following two conditions:

(3) $F_\lambda \subset G_{\lambda, n}$ for each $\lambda \in A$ and for each n .

(4) For each point x of X there exists a positive integer n such that at most one element of \mathfrak{G}_n contains x .

A discretely subexpandable space X is said to be *subexpandable* (resp. *boundedly subexpandable*), if it is countably subparacompact (resp. finitely subparacompact¹⁾).

Theorem 1.2. (a) *A subparacompact space is subexpandable.*

(b) *A space whose every closed subset is a G_δ -subset is subexpandable.*

(c) *A collectionwise normal space is boundedly subexpandable.*

2. An open covering of a space is said to be an *A-covering* [2], if it has a locally finite (not necessarily open) refinement. Every countable open covering is an *A-covering*. A covering \mathfrak{U} is said to be *directed* [5], if for every pair (U, V) of elements of \mathfrak{U} there exists an element W of \mathfrak{U} such that $U \cup V \subset W$.

Theorem 2.1. *The following are equivalent for a space X :*

(a) *X is expandable.*

(b) *Every A-covering of X has a locally finite open refinement.*

(c) *Every directed A-covering of X has a locally finite open refinement.*

(d) *Every directed A-covering of X has a locally finite closed refinement.*

(e) *Every directed A-covering of X has an open locally star-refinement.²⁾*

(f) *Every directed A-covering of X has an open cushioned refinement.*

Theorem 2.2. *The following are equivalent for a space X :*

(a) *X is almost expandable.*

(b) *Every A-covering of X has a point-finite open refinement.*

(c) *Every directed A-covering of X has a point-finite open refinement.*

(d) *Every directed A-covering of X has an open Δ -refinement.*

(e) *Every directed A-covering of X has a cushioned refinement.*

Theorem 2.3. *The following are equivalent for a space X :*

1) A space X is said to be *finitely subparacompact*, if every finite open covering of X has a σ -discrete closed refinement.

2) Let \mathfrak{U} and \mathfrak{B} be two coverings of a space X . If every point of X has a neighborhood W such that $St(W, \mathfrak{B}) \subset U$ for some $U \in \mathfrak{U}$, then we say that the covering \mathfrak{B} is a *locally star-refinement* of the covering \mathfrak{U} . Obviously, every open star-refinement is a locally star-refinement and every locally star-refinement is a Δ -refinement.

- (a) X is θ -expandable.
- (b) For every A -covering \mathfrak{U} of X there is a sequence $\mathfrak{B}_n, n=1, 2, \dots$, of open refinements of \mathfrak{U} such that for every point x of X there is some \mathfrak{B}_n of which only finitely many elements contain x .
- (c) For every directed A -covering \mathfrak{U} of X there is a sequence $\mathfrak{B}_n, n=1, 2, \dots$, of open refinements of \mathfrak{U} such that for every point x of X there is some \mathfrak{B}_n of which only finitely many elements contain x .
- (d) For every directed A -covering \mathfrak{U} of X there is a sequence $\mathfrak{B}_n, n=1, 2, \dots$, of open refinements of \mathfrak{U} such that for every point x of X there is some \mathfrak{B}_n and some $U \in \mathfrak{U}$ with $St(x, \mathfrak{B}_n) \subset U$.
- (e) Every directed A -covering of X has a σ -cushioned refinement.

An open covering is said to be a B -covering [2], if it has a bounded locally finite refinement. Using B -coverings instead of A -coverings, we obtain analogous characterizations of bounded expandability, bounded almost expandability and bounded θ -expandability.

An open covering $\{U_\lambda | \lambda \in A\}$ is said to be a C -covering, if it satisfies that $U_\lambda = \bigcap_{\mu \neq \lambda} \bigcup_{\nu \neq \mu} U_\nu$ for every $\lambda \in A$. Every C -covering is a B -covering.

Theorem 2.4. *The following are equivalent for a space X :*

- (a) X is boundedly subexpandable.
- (b) For every C -covering \mathfrak{U} of X there is a sequence $\mathfrak{B}_n, n=1, 2, \dots$, open refinements of \mathfrak{U} such that for every point x of X there is some \mathfrak{B}_n of which only one element contains x .
- (c) For every C -covering \mathfrak{U} of X there is a sequence $\mathfrak{B}_n, n=1, 2, \dots$, open refinements of \mathfrak{U} such that for every point x of X there is some \mathfrak{B}_n and some $U \in \mathfrak{U}$ with $St(x, \mathfrak{B}_n) \subset U$.
- (d) Every C -covering has a σ -discrete closed refinement.
- (e) Every C -covering has a σ -locally finite closed refinement.
- (f) Every C -covering has a σ -cushioned refinement.

3. In [3] and [4], it has been shown that a θ -refinable space is paracompact (resp. metacompact), if and only if it is expandable (resp. almost expandable). Similarly we have

Theorem 3.1. *A θ -refinable space is subparacompact if and only if it is subexpandable.*

4. The following mapping theorem, sum theorem and subset theorem for θ -expandable spaces and subexpandable spaces hold.

Theorem 4.1. *Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a continuous, closed onto mapping. If X is θ -expandable (resp. subexpandable), then Y is θ -expandable (resp. subexpandable)*

Theorem 4.2. *Let \mathfrak{F} be a σ -locally finite closed covering of a space X . If every member of \mathfrak{F} is θ -expandable (resp. subexpandable), then X is θ -expandable (resp. subexpandable).*

Theorem 4.3. *Every F_σ -subset of a θ -expandable (resp. sub-expandable) space is θ -expandable (resp. subexpandable).*

For θ -expandable spaces, furthermore, the following mapping theorem and product theorem hold.

Theorem 4.4. *Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a perfect mapping. If Y is θ -expandable, then X is θ -expandable.*

Theorem 4.5. *The product space of a θ -expandable space and a compact space is θ -expandable.*

5. A space X is said to be *countably expandable* if for every countable locally finite collection $\{F_n | n=1, 2, \dots\}$ of subsets of X there exists a countable locally finite collection $\{G_n | n=1, 2, \dots\}$ of open subsets of X such that $F_n \subset G_n$ for every n . Similarly, *countably θ -expandable*, etc. are defined. In [3], it has been shown that a space is countably expandable if and only if it is countably paracompact.

Theorem 5.1. *The following are equivalent for a space X :*

- (a) *X is countably almost expandable.*
- (b) *X is countably metacompact.*
- (c) *X is countably θ -expandable.*
- (d) *X is countably θ -refinable.*

Theorem 5.2. *A space is countably subexpandable if and only if it is countably subparacompact.*

Theorem 5.3. *The following are equivalent for a normal space X :*

- (a) *X is countably expandable.*
- (b) *X is countably almost expandable.*
- (c) *X is countably θ -expandable.*
- (d) *X is countably subexpandable.*

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