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**WEAKLY  $\mu$ -COMPACT SPACES**

**Abstract.** We introduce and study weakly  $\mu$ -compact  $\mu$ -space, i.e.  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$  in which every cover of  $X$  by  $\mu$ -open sets has a finite subfamily the union of the  $\mu$ -closures of whose members covers  $X$ .

## 1. Introduction and preliminaries

A generalized topology (briefly GT) [1]  $\mu$  on a nonempty set  $X$  is a collection of subsets of  $X$  such that  $\emptyset \in \mu$  and  $\mu$  is closed under arbitrary unions. Elements of  $\mu$  will be called  $\mu$ -open sets, and a subset  $A$  of  $(X, \mu)$  will be called  $\mu$ -closed if  $X \setminus A$  is  $\mu$ -open. Clearly, a subset  $A$  of  $(X, \mu)$  is  $\mu$ -open if and only if for each  $x \in A$ , there exists  $U_x \in \mu$  such that  $x \in U_x \subset A$ , or equivalently,  $A$  is the union of  $\mu$ -open sets. The pair  $(X, \mu)$  will be called generalized topological space (briefly GTS). By a space  $X$  or  $(X, \mu)$ , we will always mean a GTS. A space  $(X, \mu)$  is called a  $\mu$ -space [9] if  $X \in \mu$ .  $(X, \mu)$  is called a quasi-topological space [3] if  $\mu$  is closed under finite intersections. Clearly, every topological space is a quasi-topological space, every quasi-topological space is a GTS, and a space  $(X, \mu)$  is a topological space if and only if  $(X, \mu)$  is both  $\mu$ -space and quasi-topological space.

If  $A$  is a subset of a space  $(X, \mu)$ , then the  $\mu$ -closure of  $A$  [2],  $c_\mu(A)$ , is the intersection of all  $\mu$ -closed sets containing  $A$  and the  $\mu$ -interior of  $A$  [2],  $i_\mu(A)$ , is the union of all  $\mu$ -open sets contained in  $A$ . It was pointed out in [2] that each of the operators  $c_\mu$  and  $i_\mu$  are monotonic [4], i.e. if  $A \subset B \subset X$ , then  $c_\mu(A) \subset c_\mu(B)$  and  $i_\mu(A) \subset i_\mu(B)$ , idempotent [4], i.e. if  $A \subset X$ , then  $c_\mu(c_\mu(A)) = c_\mu(A)$  and  $i_\mu(i_\mu(A)) = i_\mu(A)$ ,  $c_\mu$  is enlarging [4], i.e. if  $A \subset X$ , then  $c_\mu(A) \supset A$ ,  $i_\mu$  is restricting [4], i.e. if  $A \subset X$ , then  $i_\mu(A) \subset A$ ,  $A$  is  $\mu$ -open if and only if  $A = i_\mu(A)$ , and  $c_\mu(A) = X \setminus i_\mu(X \setminus A)$ .

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Clearly,  $A$  is  $\mu$ -closed if and only if  $A = c_\mu(A)$ ,  $c_\mu(A)$  is the smallest  $\mu$ -closed set containing  $A$ ,  $i_\mu(A)$  is the largest  $\mu$ -open set contained in  $A$ ,  $x \in c_\mu(A)$  if and only if any  $\mu$ -open set containing  $x$  intersects  $A$ , and  $x \in i_\mu(A)$  if and only if there exists a  $\mu$ -open set  $U$  such that  $x \in U \subset A$ . For the concepts and terminology not defined here, we refer the reader to [6].

Concluding this section, we recall the following definitions and facts for their importance in the material of our paper.

**DEFINITION 1.1.** [2] Let  $A$  be a subset of a space  $(X, \mu)$ . Then  $A$  is called

- (i)  $\mu$ -semi-open if  $A \subset c_\mu(i_\mu(A))$ ,
- (ii)  $\mu$ -preopen if  $A \subset i_\mu(c_\mu(A))$ ,
- (iii)  $\mu$ - $\beta$ -open if  $A \subset c_\mu(i_\mu(c_\mu(A)))$ ,
- (iv)  $\mu$ - $\alpha$ -open if  $A \subset i_\mu(c_\mu(i_\mu(A)))$ .

**PROPOSITION 1.2.** [2] Let  $A$  be a subset of a space  $(X, \mu)$ . Then

- (i) if  $A$  is  $\mu$ -open, then  $A$  is  $\mu$ - $\alpha$ -open,
- (ii)  $A$  is  $\mu$ - $\alpha$ -open if and only if  $A$  is both  $\mu$ -semi-open and  $\mu$ -preopen,
- (iii) if  $A$  is  $\mu$ -semi-open, then  $A$  is  $\mu$ - $\beta$ -open,
- (iv) if  $A$  is  $\mu$ -preopen, then  $A$  is  $\mu$ - $\beta$ -open.

**DEFINITION 1.3.** [12] A function  $f : (X, \mu) \rightarrow (Y, \kappa)$  is called  $(\mu, \kappa)$ -continuous if the inverse image of each  $\kappa$ -open set is  $\mu$ -open.

**DEFINITION 1.4.** [13] Let  $A$  be a nonempty subset of a space  $(X, \mu)$ . The generalized subspace topology on  $A$  is the collection  $\{U \cap A : U \in \mu\}$ , and will be denoted by  $\mu_A$ . The generalized subspace  $A$  is the generalized topological space  $(A, \mu_A)$ .

**REMARK 1.5.** [13] Let  $A$  be a nonempty subset of a  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$ . Then  $(A, \mu_A)$  is a  $\mu_A$ -space.

**DEFINITION 1.6.** [13] Let  $(X_\alpha, \mu_\alpha)$  be a generalized topological space for each  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ , where  $\{X_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  is a disjoint family of sets. We define the collection  $\mu$  of subsets of  $\bigcup X_\alpha$  as follows:

$$\mu = \left\{ U \subset \bigcup X_\alpha : U \cap X_\alpha \in \mu_\alpha, \forall \alpha \in \Lambda \right\}.$$

**PROPOSITION 1.7.** [13] Let  $(X_\alpha, \mu_\alpha)$  be a generalized topological space for each  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ , where  $\{X_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  is a disjoint family of sets, and let  $\mu$  be as in Definition 1.6. Then  $\mu$  is a generalized topology on  $\bigcup X_\alpha$ . The generalized topological space  $(\bigcup X_\alpha, \mu)$  will be called the generalized topological sum of  $X_\alpha, \alpha \in \Lambda$ , and will be denoted by  $\oplus X_\alpha$ .

**REMARK 1.8.** [13] Let  $(X_\alpha, \mu_\alpha)$  be a  $\mu_\alpha$ -space for each  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ , and let  $(\oplus X_\alpha, \mu)$  be the generalized topological sum of  $(X_\alpha, \mu_\alpha)$ ,  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ . Then  $(\oplus X_\alpha, \mu)$  is a  $\mu$ -space.

**PROPOSITION 1.9.** [13] Let  $(X_\alpha, \mu_\alpha)$  be a generalized topological space for each  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ , and let  $(\oplus X_\alpha, \mu)$  be the generalized topological sum of  $(X_\alpha, \mu_\alpha)$ ,  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ . Then

- (i)  $\bigcup \mu_\alpha \subset \mu$ ,
- (ii)  $\mu_{X_\alpha} = \mu_\alpha$  for each  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ .

**PROPOSITION 1.10.** [13] Let  $(X, \mu)$  and  $(Y, \kappa)$  be generalized topological spaces, and let  $\mathcal{U} = \{U \times V : U \in \mu, V \in \kappa\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{U}$  generates a generalized topology  $\sigma$  on  $X \times Y$ , called the generalized product topology on  $X \times Y$ , that is,

$$\sigma = \{\text{all possible unions of members of } \mathcal{U}\}.$$

**REMARK 1.11.** [13] Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a  $\mu$ -space,  $(Y, \kappa)$  be a  $\kappa$ -space, and  $\sigma$  be the generalized product topology on  $X \times Y$ . Then  $(X \times Y, \sigma)$  is a  $\sigma$ -space.

**PROPOSITION 1.12.** [13] Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a  $\mu$ -space,  $(Y, \kappa)$  be a  $\kappa$ -space, and  $\sigma$  be the generalized product topology on  $X \times Y$ . Then the projection function  $P_X : (X \times Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (X, \mu)$  (resp.  $P_Y : (X \times Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Y, \kappa)$ ) is  $(\sigma, \mu)$ -continuous (resp.  $(\sigma, \kappa)$ -continuous).

**DEFINITION 1.13.** [13] A subset  $A$  of a  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$  is called  $\mu$ -compact if any cover of  $A$  by  $\mu$ -open subsets of  $X$  has a finite subcover of  $A$ .

**DEFINITION 1.14.** [13] A  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$  is called  $\mu$ -compact if any  $\mu$ -open cover of  $X$  has a finite subcover.

## 2. Weakly $\mu$ -compact spaces

**DEFINITION 2.1.** A  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$  is called weakly  $\mu$ -compact (briefly  $w\mu$ -compact) if any cover of  $X$  by  $\mu$ -open sets has a finite subfamily, the union of the  $\mu$ -closures of whose members covers  $X$ .

It is clear that every  $\mu$ -compact space  $(X, \mu)$  is  $w\mu$ -compact. However, the converse is not true as shown by the following example.

**EXAMPLE 2.2.** Let  $\kappa\mathbb{N}$  be the Katetov extension of the set of natural numbers  $\mathbb{N}$  (see e.g. [10]). It was pointed out in Example 2.5 (i) of [5], that if  $\mu$  is the set of all preopen subsets of  $\kappa\mathbb{N}$  (i.e. sets that are contained in the interior of its closure, see [8]), then  $(\kappa\mathbb{N}, \mu)$  is  $w\mu$ -compact but not  $\mu$ -compact.

**DEFINITION 2.3.** Let  $A$  be a subset of a space  $(X, \mu)$ . Then  $A$  is called

- (i)  $\mu$ -regular closed if  $A = c_\mu(i_\mu(A))$ ,
- (ii)  $\mu$ -regular open if  $X \setminus A$  is  $\mu$ -regular closed,
- (iii)  $\mu$ -semi-closed if  $X \setminus A$  is  $\mu$ -semi-open,
- (iv)  $\mu$ -preclosed if  $X \setminus A$  is  $\mu$ -preopen,
- (v)  $\mu$ - $\beta$ -closed if  $X \setminus A$  is  $\mu$ - $\beta$ -open,

(vi)  $\mu$ - $\alpha$ -closed if  $X \setminus A$  is  $\mu$ - $\alpha$ -open.

The proofs of the following two lemmas are straightforward and thus omitted.

**LEMMA 2.4.** *Let  $A$  be a subset of a space  $(X, \mu)$ . Then*

- (i)  *$A$  is  $\mu$ -semi-closed if and only if  $i_\mu(c_\mu(A)) \subset A$ ,*
- (ii)  *$A$  is  $\mu$ -preclosed if and only if  $c_\mu(i_\mu(A)) \subset A$ ,*
- (iii)  *$A$  is  $\mu$ -regular open if and only if  $A = i_\mu(c_\mu(A))$ ,*
- (iv)  *$A$  is  $\mu$ - $\beta$ -closed if and only if  $i_\mu(c_\mu(i_\mu(A))) \subset A$ ,*
- (v)  *$A$  is  $\mu$ - $\alpha$ -closed if and only if  $c_\mu(i_\mu(c_\mu(A))) \subset A$ ,*
- (vi)  *$A$  is  $\mu$ -regular open if and only if  $A = i_\mu(B)$  for some  $\mu$ -closed set  $B$ ,*
- (vii)  *$A$  is  $\mu$ -regular closed if and only if  $A = c_\mu(B)$  for some  $\mu$ -open set  $B$ .*

**LEMMA 2.5.** *For a subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \mu)$ , the following are equivalent:*

- (i)  *$A$  is  $\mu$ -regular open,*
- (ii)  *$A$  is  $\mu$ -open and  $\mu$ -semi-closed,*
- (iii)  *$A$  is  $\mu$ -open and  $\mu$ - $\beta$ -closed,*
- (iv)  *$A$  is  $\mu$ - $\alpha$ -open and  $\mu$ - $\beta$ -closed,*
- (v)  *$A$  is  $\mu$ - $\alpha$ -open and  $\mu$ -semi-closed,*
- (vi)  *$A$  is  $\mu$ -preopen and  $\mu$ -semi-closed.*

**COROLLARY 2.6.** *For a subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \mu)$ , the following are equivalent:*

- (i)  *$A$  is  $\mu$ -regular closed,*
- (ii)  *$A$  is  $\mu$ -closed and  $\mu$ -semi-open,*
- (iii)  *$A$  is  $\mu$ -closed and  $\mu$ - $\beta$ -open,*
- (iv)  *$A$  is  $\mu$ - $\alpha$ -closed and  $\mu$ - $\beta$ -open,*
- (v)  *$A$  is  $\mu$ - $\alpha$ -closed and  $\mu$ -semi-open,*
- (vi)  *$A$  is  $\mu$ -preclosed and  $\mu$ -semi-open.*

**PROPOSITION 2.7.** *A  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$  is  $w\mu$ -compact if and only if any cover of  $X$  by  $\mu$ -regular open sets has a finite subfamily, the union of the  $\mu$ -closures of whose members covers  $X$ .*

**Proof.** The necessity is clear. Suppose that  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  is a cover of  $X$  by  $\mu$ -open sets. Then by Lemma 2.4 (vi),  $\mathcal{V} = \{i_\mu(c_\mu(U_\alpha)) : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  is a cover of  $X$  by  $\mu$ -regular open sets. Thus by assumption, there exist  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n \in \Lambda$  such that  $X = \bigcup_{i=1}^n c_\mu(i_\mu(c_\mu(U_{\alpha_i})))$ . By Lemma 2.4 (vii),  $c_\mu(U_{\alpha_i})$  is regular closed for each  $i$ , and thus,  $X = \bigcup_{i=1}^n c_\mu(U_{\alpha_i})$ . Hence,  $(X, \mu)$  is  $w\mu$ -compact. ■

The proof of the following result is straightforward and thus omitted.

**PROPOSITION 2.8.** *For a  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$ , the following are equivalent:*

- (i)  $X$  is  $w\mu$ -compact,
- (ii) for any family  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  of  $\mu$ -closed subsets of  $X$  such that  $\bigcap \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\} = \emptyset$ , there exists a finite subset  $\Lambda_0$  of  $\Lambda$  such that  $\bigcap \{i_\mu(U_\alpha) : \alpha \in \Lambda_0\} = \emptyset$ ,
- (iii) for any family  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  of  $\mu$ -regular closed subsets of  $X$  such that  $\bigcap \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\} = \emptyset$ , there exists a finite subset  $\Lambda_0$  of  $\Lambda$  such that  $\bigcap \{i_\mu(U_\alpha) : \alpha \in \Lambda_0\} = \emptyset$ .

**DEFINITION 2.9.** Let  $A$  be a subset of a  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$ . A point  $x \in X$  is said to be a  $\theta_\mu$ -accumulation point of  $A$  if  $c_\mu(U) \cap A \neq \emptyset$  for every  $\mu$ -open subset  $U$  of  $X$  that contains  $x$ . The set of all  $\theta_\mu$ -accumulation points of  $A$  is called the  $\theta_\mu$ -closure of  $A$  and is denoted by  $(c_\mu)_\theta(A)$ .  $A$  is said to be  $\mu_\theta$ -closed if  $(c_\mu)_\theta(A) = A$ . The complement of a  $\mu_\theta$ -closed set is called  $\mu_\theta$ -open.

It is clear that  $A$  is  $\mu_\theta$ -open if and only if for each  $x \in A$ , there exists a  $\mu$ -open set  $U$  such that  $x \in U \subset c_\mu(U) \subset A$ .

**DEFINITION 2.10.** A  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$  is called  $\mu$ -regular if for each  $\mu$ -open subset  $U$  of  $X$  and for each  $x \in U$ , there exists a  $\mu$ -open subset  $V$  of  $X$  and a  $\mu$ -closed subset  $F$  of  $X$  such that  $x \in V \subset F \subset U$ .

The following lemma can be easily established.

**LEMMA 2.11.** *Let  $A$  be a subset of a  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$ . Then*

- (i) *if  $A$  is  $\mu_\theta$ -open, then  $A$  is the union of  $\mu$ -regular open sets,*
- (ii)  *$(X, \mu)$  is  $\mu$ -regular if and only if every  $\mu$ -open subset of  $X$  is  $\mu_\theta$ -open,*
- (iii) *if  $A$  is  $\mu$ -clopen, i.e.  $\mu$ -open and  $\mu$ -closed, then  $A$  is  $\mu_\theta$ -closed,*
- (iv)  $c_\mu(A) \subset (c_\mu)_\theta(A)$ ,
- (v) *if  $A$  is  $\mu$ -open, then  $c_\mu(A) = (c_\mu)_\theta(A)$ .*

**PROPOSITION 2.12.** *If a  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$  is  $w\mu$ -compact, then every cover of  $X$  by  $\mu_\theta$ -open sets has a finite subcover.*

**Proof.** Suppose that  $(X, \mu)$  is  $w\mu$ -compact and let  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  be a cover of  $X$  by  $\mu_\theta$ -open sets. Then for each  $x \in X$ , there exists  $\alpha_x \in \Lambda$  such that  $x \in U_{\alpha_x}$ . Since  $U_{\alpha_x}$  is  $\mu_\theta$ -open, there exists a  $\mu$ -open set  $V_x$  such that  $x \in V_x \subset c_\mu(V_x) \subset U_{\alpha_x}$ , but  $X$  is  $w\mu$ -compact, so there exist  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$  such that  $X = \bigcup_{i=1}^n c_\mu(V_{x_i}) = \bigcup_{i=1}^n U_{\alpha_{x_i}}$ . ■

The following example shows that the converse of Proposition 2.12 is not true.

**EXAMPLE 2.13.** Let  $\mathbb{Z}$  be the Khalimsky line [7] (= the digital line), i.e. the set of integers equipped with the topology  $\tau$  having for a subbase  $\mathcal{S} = \{\{2n-1, 2n, 2n+1\} : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ . It was shown in [11], that if  $\mu$  is the set

of all open (preopen) subsets of  $\mathbb{Z}$ , then every cover of  $\mathbb{Z}$  by  $\mu_\theta$ -open sets has a finite subcover, but  $(\mathbb{Z}, \mu)$  is not  $w\mu$ -compact.

**COROLLARY 2.14.** *Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a  $\mu$ -regular space. Then  $(X, \mu)$  is  $w\mu$ -compact if and only if  $(X, \mu)$  is  $\mu$ -compact.*

**Proof.** Follows from Lemma 2.11 (ii) and Proposition 2.12. ■

**DEFINITION 2.15.** A filter base  $\mathcal{F}$  on a  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$  is said to  $\theta_\mu$ -converge to a point  $x \in X$  if for each  $\mu$ -open subset  $U$  of  $X$  such that  $x \in U$ , there exists  $F \in \mathcal{F}$  such that  $F \subset c_\mu(U)$ .  $\mathcal{F}$  is said to  $\theta_\mu$ -accumulate at  $x \in X$  if  $(c_\mu(U)) \cap F \neq \emptyset$  for every  $F \in \mathcal{F}$  and for every  $\mu$ -open subset  $U$  of  $X$  such that  $x \in U$ .

Observe that if a filter base  $\mathcal{F}$   $\theta_\mu$ -converges to a point  $x \in X$ , then  $\mathcal{F}$   $\theta_\mu$ -accumulates at  $x$ . On the other hand, it is easy to see that a maximal filter base  $\mathcal{F}$   $\theta_\mu$ -converges to a point  $x \in X$  if and only if  $\mathcal{F}$   $\theta_\mu$ -accumulates at  $x$ .

**PROPOSITION 2.16.** *For a  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$ , the following are equivalent:*

- (i)  $X$  is  $w\mu$ -compact,
- (ii) every maximal filter base on  $X$   $\theta_\mu$ -converges to some point of  $X$ ,
- (iii) every filter base on  $X$   $\theta_\mu$ -accumulates at some point of  $X$ .

**Proof.** (i)→(ii): Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a maximal filter base on  $X$  such that  $\mathcal{F}$  does not  $\theta_\mu$ -converge to any point of  $X$ . Since  $\mathcal{F}$  is maximal,  $\mathcal{F}$  does not  $\theta_\mu$ -accumulate at any point of  $X$ . Thus, for each  $x \in X$ , there exists  $F_x \in \mathcal{F}$  and a  $\mu$ -open subset  $U_x$  of  $X$  such that  $x \in U_x$  and  $(c_\mu(U_x)) \cap F_x = \emptyset$ , but  $X$  is  $w\mu$ -compact, so there exist  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$  such that  $X = \bigcup_{i=1}^n c_\mu(U_{x_i})$ . Since  $\mathcal{F}$  is a filter base on  $X$ , there exists  $F \in \mathcal{F}$  such that  $F \subset \bigcap_{i=1}^n F_{x_i}$ , but  $(c_\mu(U_{x_i})) \cap F_{x_i} = \emptyset$  for each  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , so  $(c_\mu(U_{x_i})) \cap F = \emptyset$  for each  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , i.e.  $(\bigcup_{i=1}^n c_\mu(U_{x_i})) \cap F = X \cap F = F = \emptyset$ , a contradiction.

(ii)→(iii): Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a filter base on  $X$ . Then  $\mathcal{F}$  is contained in a maximal filter base  $\mathcal{H}$  on  $X$ . By (ii),  $\mathcal{H}$   $\theta_\mu$ -converges to some point  $x$  of  $X$ , thus  $\mathcal{H}$   $\theta_\mu$ -accumulates at  $x$ , but  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{H}$ , so  $\mathcal{F}$   $\theta_\mu$ -accumulates at  $x$ .

(iii)→(i): Suppose that  $X$  is not  $w\mu$ -compact. Then by Proposition 2.8, there exists a cover  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  of  $X$  by  $\mu$ -open sets such that for any finite subset  $\Lambda_0$  of  $\Lambda$ ,  $\bigcap \{i_\mu(X \setminus U_\alpha) : \alpha \in \Lambda_0\} \neq \emptyset$ . For each finite subset  $\Lambda_0$  of  $\Lambda$ , let  $F_{\Lambda_0} = \bigcap \{i_\mu(X \setminus U_\alpha) : \alpha \in \Lambda_0\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{F} = \{F_{\Lambda_0} : \Lambda_0 \text{ is a finite subset of } \Lambda\}$  is a filter base on  $X$ . Thus by (iii),  $\mathcal{F}$   $\theta_\mu$ -accumulates at some point  $x$  of  $X$ . Since  $\mathcal{U}$  is a cover of  $X$ , there exists  $\alpha_0 \in \Lambda$  such that  $x \in U_{\alpha_0}$ , but  $\mathcal{F}$   $\theta_\mu$ -accumulates at  $x$ , so  $(c_\mu(U_{\alpha_0})) \cap F \neq \emptyset$  for every  $F \in \mathcal{F}$ . Let  $F = i_\mu(X \setminus U_{\alpha_0})$ . Then  $F \in \mathcal{F}$  and thus  $(c_\mu(U_{\alpha_0})) \cap (i_\mu(X \setminus U_{\alpha_0})) \neq \emptyset$ , a contradiction. ■

### 3. Weakly $\mu$ -compact subsets

**DEFINITION 3.1.** A subset  $A$  of a  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$  is called weakly  $\mu$ -compact (briefly  $w\mu$ -compact) if any cover of  $A$  by  $\mu$ -open subsets of  $X$  has a finite subfamily, the union of the  $\mu$ -closures of whose members covers  $A$ .

We observe that every  $\mu$ -compact subset of a  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$  is  $w\mu$ -compact.

**PROPOSITION 3.2.** *A subset  $A$  of a  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$  is  $w\mu$ -compact if and only if any cover of  $A$  by  $\mu$ -regular open subsets of  $X$  has a finite subfamily, the union of the  $\mu$ -closures of whose members covers  $A$ .*

**PROPOSITION 3.3.** *For a subset  $A$  of a  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$ , the following are equivalent:*

- (i)  *$A$  is  $w\mu$ -compact,*
- (ii) *for any family  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  of  $\mu$ -closed subsets of  $X$  such that  $[\bigcap \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}] \cap A = \emptyset$ , there exists a finite subset  $\Lambda_0$  of  $\Lambda$  such that  $[\bigcap \{i_\mu(U_\alpha) : \alpha \in \Lambda_0\}] \cap A = \emptyset$ ,*
- (iii) *for any family  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  of  $\mu$ -regular closed subsets of  $X$  such that  $[\bigcap \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}] \cap A = \emptyset$ , there exists a finite subset  $\Lambda_0$  of  $\Lambda$  such that  $[\bigcap \{i_\mu(U_\alpha) : \alpha \in \Lambda_0\}] \cap A = \emptyset$ .*

**PROPOSITION 3.4.** *Let  $A$  be a  $w\mu$ -compact subset of a  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$ . Then every cover of  $A$  by  $\mu_\theta$ -open subsets of  $X$  has a finite subcover of  $A$ .*

**COROLLARY 3.5.** *Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a  $\mu$ -regular  $\mu$ -space. Then a subset  $A$  of  $(X, \mu)$  is  $w\mu$ -compact if and only if  $A$  is  $\mu$ -compact.*

**PROPOSITION 3.6.** *For a subset  $A$  of a  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$ , the following are equivalent:*

- (i)  *$A$  is  $w\mu$ -compact,*
- (ii) *every maximal filter base on  $X$ , each of whose members meets  $A$ ,  $\theta_\mu$ -converges to some point of  $A$ ,*
- (iii) *every filter base on  $X$ , each of whose members meets  $A$ ,  $\theta_\mu$ -accumulates at some point of  $A$ .*

**PROPOSITION 3.7.** *Let  $A, B$  be subsets of a  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$ . If  $A$  is  $\mu_\theta$ -closed and  $B$  is  $w\mu$ -compact, then  $A \cap B$  is  $w\mu$ -compact.*

**Proof.** Let  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  be a cover of  $A \cap B$  by  $\mu$ -open sets. Then  $\mathcal{U} \cup \{X \setminus A\}$  is a cover of  $B$ . Since  $X \setminus A$  is  $\mu_\theta$ -open, for each  $x \notin A$ , there exists a  $\mu$ -open set  $U_x$  such that  $x \in U_x \subset c_\mu(U_x) \subset X \setminus A$ . Thus  $\mathcal{U} \cup \{U_x : x \in X \setminus A\}$  is a cover of  $B$  by  $\mu$ -open sets, but  $B$  is  $w\mu$ -compact, so there exist  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n \in \Lambda$  and there exist  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m \in X \setminus A$  such that  $B \subset (\bigcup_{i=1}^n c_\mu(U_{\alpha_i})) \cup (\bigcup_{i=1}^m c_\mu(U_{x_i}))$ , but  $c_\mu(U_{x_i}) \subset X \setminus A$ , so  $A \cap B \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n c_\mu(U_{\alpha_i})$ . Hence,  $A \cap B$  is  $w\mu$ -compact. ■

**COROLLARY 3.8.** *Let  $A$  be a  $\mu_\theta$ -closed subset of a  $w\mu$ -compact space  $(X, \mu)$ . Then  $A$  is  $w\mu$ -compact.*

The following example shows that if every proper  $\mu_\theta$ -closed subset  $A$  of a  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$  is  $w\mu$ -compact, then  $(X, \mu)$  is not necessarily  $w\mu$ -compact.

**EXAMPLE 3.9.** Let  $\mathbb{Z}$  be the Khalimsky line. It was also shown in [11], that if  $\mu$  is the set of all open (preopen) subsets of  $\mathbb{Z}$ , then every proper  $\mu_\theta$ -closed subset of  $(\mathbb{Z}, \mu)$  is  $w\mu$ -compact, but  $(\mathbb{Z}, \mu)$  is not  $w\mu$ -compact.

**COROLLARY 3.10.** *Let  $A$  be a  $\mu$ -clopen subset of a  $w\mu$ -compact space  $(X, \mu)$ . Then  $A$  is  $w\mu$ -compact.*

**Proof.** Follows from Lemma 2.11 (iii) and Corollary 3.8. ■

The proof of the following lemma is straightforward and thus omitted.

**LEMMA 3.11.** *Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of a space  $(X, \mu)$  such that  $A \subset B$ . Then*

$$c_{\mu_B}(A) = c_\mu(A) \cap B.$$

**PROPOSITION 3.12.** *Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of a  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$  such that  $A \subset B$ . If  $A$  is  $w\mu_B$ -compact, then  $A$  is  $w\mu$ -compact.*

**Proof.** Suppose that  $A$  is  $w\mu_B$ -compact and let  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  be a cover of  $A$  by  $\mu$ -open sets. Then  $\mathcal{U}^B = \{U_\alpha \cap B : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  is a cover of  $A$  by  $\mu_B$ -open sets, but  $A$  is  $w\mu_B$ -compact, so there exist  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n \in \Lambda$  such that  $A \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n c_{\mu_B}(U_{\alpha_i} \cap B)$ . By Lemma 3.11,  $c_{\mu_B}(U_{\alpha_i} \cap B) = (c_\mu(U_{\alpha_i} \cap B)) \cap B \subset c_\mu(U_{\alpha_i})$ . Hence,  $A$  is  $w\mu$ -compact. ■

**COROLLARY 3.13.** *Let  $A$  be a subset of a  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$ . If  $A$  is  $w\mu_A$ -compact, then  $A$  is  $w\mu$ -compact.*

The proof of the following proposition is straightforward and thus omitted.

**PROPOSITION 3.14.** *The finite union of subsets of a  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$ , each of which is  $w\mu$ -compact, is  $w\mu$ -compact.*

**COROLLARY 3.15.** *If a  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$  is the finite union of subsets  $A_n$ , each of which is  $w\mu_{A_n}$ -compact, then  $X$  is  $w\mu$ -compact.*

**Proof.** Follows from Corollary 3.13 and Proposition 3.14. ■

**DEFINITION 3.16.** A  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$  is called  $\mu$ -connected if  $X$  can not be expressed as the union of two disjoint nonempty  $\mu$ -open sets. In the opposite case,  $(X, \mu)$  is called  $\mu$ -disconnected, or equivalently,  $(X, \mu)$  has a proper nonempty  $\mu$ -clopen set.

**PROPOSITION 3.17.** *Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a  $\mu$ -disconnected  $\mu$ -space. Then  $(X, \mu)$  is  $w\mu$ -compact if and only if every  $\mu$ -clopen set is  $w\mu$ -compact.*

**Proof. Necessity.** Follows from Corollary 3.10.

**Sufficiency.** Since  $(X, \mu)$  is  $\mu$ -disconnected,  $X$  has a partition  $\{A, B\}$  such that  $A$  is  $\mu$ -clopen and  $B$  is  $\mu$ -clopen. By assumption,  $A$  and  $B$  are  $w\mu$ -compact. Thus by Proposition 3.14,  $(X, \mu)$  is  $w\mu$ -compact. ■

**COROLLARY 3.18.** Let  $(\bigoplus X_i, \mu)$  be the finite generalized topological sum of  $w\mu_i$ -compact spaces  $(X_i, \mu_i)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Then  $(\bigoplus X_i, \mu)$  is  $w\mu$ -compact.

**Proof.** Observe first by Remark 1.8 that since  $(X_i, \mu_i)$  is a  $\mu_i$ -space, then  $(\bigoplus X_i, \mu)$  is a  $\mu$ -space. The result follows from Proposition 1.9 (ii) and Corollary 3.15. ■

**PROPOSITION 3.19.** If every proper  $\mu$ -regular closed subset of a  $\mu$ -space  $(X, \mu)$  is  $w\mu$ -compact, then  $(X, \mu)$  is  $w\mu$ -compact.

**Proof.** Suppose that  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  is a cover of  $X$  by  $\mu$ -open sets. Pick  $\alpha_0 \in \Lambda$  such that  $U_{\alpha_0} \neq \emptyset$ . Then by Lemma 2.4 (vi),  $X \setminus i_\mu(c_\mu(U_{\alpha_0}))$  is a proper  $\mu$ -regular closed set. Thus by assumption, there exist  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n \in \Lambda$  such that  $X \setminus i_\mu(c_\mu(U_{\alpha_0})) \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n c_\mu(U_{\alpha_i})$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} X &= \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^n c_\mu(U_{\alpha_i}) \right) \cup i_\mu(c_\mu(U_{\alpha_0})) \\ &= \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^n c_\mu(U_{\alpha_i}) \right) \cup (c_\mu(U_{\alpha_0})) = \bigcup_{i=0}^n c_\mu(U_{\alpha_i}). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $X$  is  $w\mu$ -compact. ■

The proof of the following lemma is straightforward and thus omitted.

**LEMMA 3.20.** Let  $f : (X, \mu) \rightarrow (Y, \kappa)$  be a function. Then the following are equivalent:

- (i)  $f$  is  $(\mu, \kappa)$ -continuous,
- (ii) for every  $x \in X$  and for every  $\kappa$ -open set  $V$  containing  $f(x)$ , there exists a  $\mu$ -open set  $U$  containing  $x$  such that  $f(U) \subset V$ ,
- (iii)  $f(c_\mu(A)) \subset c_\kappa(f(A))$  for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ ,
- (iv)  $c_\mu(f^{-1}(B)) \subset f^{-1}(c_\kappa(B))$  for every subset  $B$  of  $Y$ .

**PROPOSITION 3.21.** Let  $f : (X, \mu) \rightarrow (Y, \kappa)$  be a  $(\mu, \kappa)$ -continuous function, where  $(X, \mu)$  is a  $\mu$ -space and  $(Y, \kappa)$  is a  $\kappa$ -space. If  $A$  is a  $w\mu$ -compact subset of  $X$ , then  $f(A)$  is  $w\kappa$ -compact.

**Proof.** Let  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  be a cover of  $f(A)$  by  $\kappa$ -open sets. Since  $f$  is  $(\mu, \kappa)$ -continuous,  $\mathcal{V} = \{f^{-1}(U_\alpha) : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  is a cover of  $A$  by  $\mu$ -open sets, but  $A$  is  $w\mu$ -compact, so there exist  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n \in \Lambda$  such that  $A \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n c_\mu(f^{-1}(U_{\alpha_i}))$ . Thus  $f(A) \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n f(c_\mu(f^{-1}(U_{\alpha_i})))$ . Since  $f$  is  $(\mu, \kappa)$ -continuous, it follows from Lemma 3.20 that

$$f(c_\mu(f^{-1}(U_{\alpha_i}))) \subset c_\kappa(f(f^{-1}(U_{\alpha_i}))) \subset c_\kappa(U_{\alpha_i}).$$

Hence,  $f(A)$  is  $w\kappa$ -compact. ■

**COROLLARY 3.22.** *Let  $f : (X, \mu) \rightarrow (Y, \kappa)$  be a  $(\mu, \kappa)$ -continuous surjection, where  $(X, \mu)$  is a  $\mu$ -space and  $(Y, \kappa)$  is a  $\kappa$ -space. If  $X$  is  $w\mu$ -compact, then  $Y$  is  $w\kappa$ -compact.*

**COROLLARY 3.23.** *Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a  $\mu$ -space,  $(Y, \kappa)$  be a  $\kappa$ -space, and  $\sigma$  be the generalized product topology on  $X \times Y$ . If  $X \times Y$  is  $w\sigma$ -compact, then  $(X, \mu)$  is  $w\mu$ -compact and  $(Y, \kappa)$  is  $w\kappa$ -compact.*

**Proof.** Observe first by Remark 1.11 that since  $(X, \mu)$  is a  $\mu$ -space and  $(Y, \kappa)$  is a  $\kappa$ -space, then  $(X \times Y, \sigma)$  is a  $\sigma$ -space. The result follows from Proposition 1.12 and Corollary 3.22. ■

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