

A GENERAL FRAMEWORK FOR COMPACTNESS IN L -TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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Abstract

A general framework for the concepts of compactness, countable compactness, and the Lindelöf property are introduced in L -topological spaces by means of several kinds of open L -sets and their inequalities when L is a complete DeMorgan algebra. The method used in this paper shows that these results are valid for any kind of open L -sets and thus we do not need to repeat it for each kind separately.

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1. Introduction

The concept of compactness of an I -topological space was first introduced by Chang [6] in terms of open covers. Chang's compactness has been greatly extended to the variable-basis case by Rodabaugh [12], and it can be regarded as a successful definition of compactness in poslat topology from the categorical point of view (see [12, 18]). Moreover, Gantner *et al.* introduced α -compactness [8], Lowen introduced fuzzy compactness, strong fuzzy compactness and ultra-fuzzy compactness [17, 16], Chadwick [5] generalized Lowen's compactness, Liu introduced Q -compactness [15], Li introduced strong Q -compactness [13] which is equivalent to the strong fuzzy compactness in [16], Wang and Zhao introduced N -compactness [29, 31], and Shi introduced S^* -compactness [24].

Recently, Shi presented a new definition of fuzzy compactness in L -topological spaces [20, 25] by means of open L -sets and their inequality where L is a complete DeMorgan algebra. The new definition does not depend on the structure of L . When L is completely distributive, it is equivalent to the notion of fuzzy compactness in [14, 17, 28].

In this paper, following the lines of [20, 24, 25], we will introduce a general framework of compactness in L -topological spaces by means of m -open L -sets and their inequality,

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where m means the kind of openness of the L -sets. We also introduce countable m -compactness and the m -Lindelöf property in L -topology.

2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper $(L, \leq, \wedge, \vee, \iota)$ is a complete DeMorgan algebra, X a nonempty set. The smallest element and the largest element in L are denoted by 0 and 1, respectively. By L_0 and L_1 we mean $L \setminus \{0\}$ and $L \setminus \{1\}$, respectively. L^X is the set of all L -fuzzy sets (or L -sets, for short) on X . The smallest element and the largest element in L^X are denoted by χ_\emptyset and χ_X , respectively. We often do not distinguish a crisp subset A of X and its character function χ_A .

A complete lattice L is a complete Heyting algebra if it satisfies the following infinite distributive law: For all $a \in L$ and all $B \subset L$, $a \wedge \bigvee B = \bigvee \{a \wedge b \mid b \in B\}$.

An element a in L is called a prime element if $a \geq b \wedge c$ implies $a \geq b$ or $a \geq c$. An element a in L is called co-prime if a' is prime [9]. The set of non-unit prime elements in L is denoted by $P(L)$. The set of non-zero co-prime elements in L is denoted by $M(L)$.

The binary relation \prec in L is defined as follows: for $a, b \in L$, $a \prec b$ if and only if for every subset $D \subseteq L$, the relation $b \leq \sup D$ always implies the existence of $d \in D$ with $a \leq d$ [7]. In a completely distributive DeMorgan algebra L , each element b is a sup of $\{a \in L \mid a \prec b\}$. A set $\{a \in L \mid a \prec b\}$ is called the greatest minimal family of b in the sense of [14, 28], denoted by $\beta(b)$, and $\beta^*(b) = \beta(b) \cap M(L)$. Moreover, for $b \in L$, we define $\alpha(b) = \{a \in L \mid a' \prec b'\}$ and $\alpha^*(b) = \alpha(b) \cap P(L)$.

For $a \in L$ and $A \in L^X$, we use the following notations from [26].

$$\begin{aligned} A_{[a]} &= \{x \in X \mid A(x) \geq a\}, \quad A^{(a)} = \{x \in X \mid A(x) \not\geq a\}, \\ A_{(a)} &= \{x \in X \mid a \in \beta(A(x))\}. \end{aligned}$$

An L -topological space (or L -space, for short) is a pair (X, \mathcal{T}) , where \mathcal{T} is a subfamily of L^X which contains χ_\emptyset ; χ_X and is closed for any suprema and finite infima. \mathcal{T} is called an L -topology on X . Members of \mathcal{T} are called open L -sets and their complements are called closed L -sets.

2.1. Definition. [14, 28] An L -space (X, \mathcal{T}) is called *weakly induced* if $\forall a \in L, A \in L^X$, it follows that $A^{(a)} \in [\mathcal{T}]$, where $[\mathcal{T}]$ denotes the topology formed by all the crisp sets in \mathcal{T} .

2.2. Definition. [14, 28] For a topological space (X, τ) , let $\omega_L(\tau)$ denote the family of all lower semi-continuous maps from (X, τ) to L , i.e., $\omega_L(\tau) = \{A \in L^X \mid A^{(a)} \in \tau, a \in L\}$. Then $\omega_L(\tau)$ is an L -topology on X ; in this case, $(X, \omega_L(\tau))$ is said to be *topologically generated* by (X, τ) . A topologically generated L -space is also called an *induced L -space*.

2.3. Definition. [21] Let (X, \mathcal{T}) be an L -space, $a \in L_0$ and $G \in L^X$. A family $\mathcal{U} \subseteq L^X$ is called a β_a -cover of G if for any $x \in X$, it follows that $a \in \beta(G'(x) \vee \bigvee_{A \in \mathcal{U}} A(x))$. \mathcal{U} is called a *strong β_a -cover* of G if $a \in \beta(\bigwedge_{x \in X} (G'(x) \vee \bigvee_{A \in \mathcal{U}} A(x)))$.

2.4. Definition. [21] Let (X, \mathcal{T}) be an L -space, $a \in L_0$ and $G \in L^X$. A family $\mathcal{U} \subseteq L^X$ is called a Q_a -cover of G if for any $x \in X$, it follows that $G'(x) \vee \bigvee_{A \in \mathcal{U}} A(x) \geq a$.

It is obvious that a strong β_a -cover of G is a β_a -cover of G , and a β_a -cover of G is a Q_a -cover of G . For $a \in L$ and a crisp subset $D \subset X$, we define $a \wedge D$ and $a \vee D$ as follows:

$$(a \wedge D)(x) = \begin{cases} a, & x \in D; \\ 0, & x \notin D. \end{cases} \quad (a \vee D)(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in D; \\ 0, & x \notin D. \end{cases}$$

2.5. Theorem. [26] For an L -set $A \in L^X$, the following facts are true:

- (1) $A = \bigvee_{a \in L} (a \wedge A_{(a)}) = \bigvee_{a \in L} (a \wedge A_{[a]})$.
- (2) $A = \bigwedge_{a \in L} (a \vee A^{(a)}) = \bigwedge_{a \in L} (a \vee A^{[a]})$. \square

2.6. Theorem. [26] Let $(X, \omega_L(\tau))$ be the L -space topologically generated by (X, τ) and $A \in L^X$. Then the following facts hold:

- (1) $\text{cl}(A) = \bigvee_{a \in L} (a \wedge (A_{(a)})^-) = \bigvee_{a \in L} (a \wedge (A_{[a]})^-)$;
- (2) $\text{cl}(A)_{(a)} \subset (A_{(a)})^- \subset (A_{[a]})^- \subset \text{cl}(A)_{[a]}$;
- (3) $\text{cl}(A) = \bigwedge_{a \in L} (a \vee (A^{(a)})^-) = \bigwedge_{a \in L} (a \vee (A^{[a]})^-)$;
- (4) $\text{cl}(A)^{(a)} \subset (A^{(a)})^- \subset (A^{[a]})^- \subset \text{cl}(A)^{[a]}$;
- (5) $\text{int}(A) = \bigvee_{a \in L} (a \wedge (A_{(a)})^\circ) = \bigvee_{a \in L} (a \wedge (A_{[a]})^\circ)$;
- (6) $\text{int}(A)_{(a)} \subset (A_{(a)})^\circ \subset (A_{[a]})^\circ \subset \text{int}(A)_{[a]}$;
- (7) $\text{int}(A) = \bigwedge_{a \in L} (a \vee (A^{(a)})^\circ) = \bigwedge_{a \in L} (a \vee (A^{[a]})^\circ)$;
- (8) $\text{int}(A)^{(a)} \subset (A^{(a)})^\circ \subset (A^{[a]})^\circ \subset \text{int}(A)^{[a]}$;

where $(A_{(a)})^-$ and $(A_{(a)})^\circ$ denote respectively the closure and the interior of $A_{(a)}$ in (X, τ) and so on, $\text{cl}(A)$ and $\text{int}(A)$ denote respectively the closure and the interior of A in $(X, \omega_L(\tau))$. \square

2.7. Definition. [21] Let (X, \mathcal{T}) be an L -space, $a \in L_1$ and $G \in L^X$. A family $\mathcal{A} \subseteq L^X$ is said to be:

- (1) An a -shading of G if for any $x \in X$, $(G'(x) \vee \bigvee_{A \in \mathcal{A}} A(x)) \not\leq a$.
- (2) A strong a -shading of G if $\bigwedge_{x \in X} (G'(x) \vee \bigvee_{A \in \mathcal{A}} A(x)) \not\leq a$.
- (3) An a -remote family of G if for any $x \in X$, $(G(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \mathcal{A}} B(x)) \not\leq a$.
- (4) A strong a -remote family of G if $\bigvee_{x \in X} (G(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \mathcal{A}} B(x)) \not\leq a$.

2.8. Definition. [21] Let $a \in L_0$ and $G \in L^X$. A subfamily \mathcal{U} of L^X is said to have a weak a -nonempty intersection in G if $\bigvee_{x \in X} (G(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{A \in \mathcal{U}} A(x)) \geq a$. \mathcal{U} is said to have the finite (countable) weak a -intersection property in G if every finite (countable) subfamily \mathcal{P} of \mathcal{U} has a weak a -nonempty intersection in G .

2.9. Definition. [21] Let $a \in L_0$ and $G \in L^X$. A subfamily \mathcal{U} of L^X is said to be a weak a -filter relative to G if any finite intersection of members in \mathcal{U} is weak a -nonempty in G . A subfamily \mathcal{B} of L^X is said to be a weak a -filterbase relative to G if

$$\{A \in L^X \mid \text{there exists } B \in \mathcal{B} \text{ such that } B \leq A\}$$

is a weak a -filter relative to G .

For a subfamily $\Phi \subseteq L^X$, $2^{(\Phi)}$ denotes the set of all finite subfamilies of Φ and $2^{[\Phi]}$ the set of all countable subfamilies of Φ .

2.10. Definition. Let G be an L -set of an L -space (X, \mathcal{T}) . G is called a semiopen L -set [2] (resp. a preopen L -set [27], α -open L -set [4], β -open L -set [3], γ -open L -set [11]) if $G \leq \text{cl}(\text{int}(G))$ (resp. $G \leq \text{int}(\text{cl}(G))$, $G \leq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(G)))$, $G \leq \text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(G)))$, $G \leq \text{cl}(\text{int}(G)) \vee \text{int}(\text{cl}(G))$).

The set of all semiopen L -sets (resp. preopen L -sets, α -open L -sets, β -open L -sets, γ -open L -sets) in (X, \mathcal{T}) will be denoted by $SO(X, \mathcal{T})$ (resp. $PO(X, \mathcal{T})$, $\alpha O(X, \mathcal{T})$, $\beta O(X, \mathcal{T})$, $\gamma O(X, \mathcal{T})$). Generally, $mO(X, \mathcal{T})$ denotes the set of all m -open L -sets.

2.11. Lemma. [25] Let (X, \mathcal{T}_1) and (Y, \mathcal{T}_2) be two L -spaces, where L is a complete Heyting algebra, let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a mapping, $f_L^\rightarrow : L^X \rightarrow L^Y$ the extension of f . Then for any $P \subseteq L^Y$, we have that

$$\bigvee_{y \in Y} \left(f_L^\rightarrow(G)(y) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \mathcal{P}} B(y) \right) = \bigvee_{x \in X} \left(G(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \mathcal{P}} f_L^{\leftarrow}(B)(x) \right). \quad \square$$

3. A notion of m -compactness

3.1. Definition. Let (X, \mathcal{T}) be an L -space. $G \in L^X$ is called (countably) m -compact if for every (countable) family $\mathcal{U} \subseteq L^X$ of m -open L -sets, it follows that

$$\bigwedge_{x \in X} \left(G'(x) \vee \bigvee_{A \in \mathcal{U}} A(x) \right) \leq \bigvee_{\psi \in 2^{[\mathcal{U}]}} \bigwedge_{x \in X} \left(G'(x) \vee \bigvee_{A \in \psi} A(x) \right).$$

3.2. Definition. Let (X, \mathcal{T}) be an L -space. $G \in L^X$ is said to have the m -Lindelöf property (or to be an m -Lindelöf L -set) if for every family \mathcal{U} of m -open L -sets, it follows that

$$\bigwedge_{x \in X} \left(G'(x) \vee \bigvee_{A \in \mathcal{U}} A(x) \right) \leq \bigvee_{\psi \in 2^{[\mathcal{U}]}} \bigwedge_{x \in X} \left(G'(x) \vee \bigvee_{A \in \psi} A(x) \right).$$

3.3. Remark. m -compactness implies countable m -compactness and the m -Lindelöf property. Moreover, an L -set having the m -Lindelöf property is m -compact if and only if it is countably m -compact.

3.4. Theorem. Let (X, \mathcal{T}) be an L -space. Then $G \in L^X$ is (countably) m -compact if and only if for every (countable) family \mathcal{B} of m -closed L -sets, it follows that

$$\bigvee_{x \in X} \left(G(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \mathcal{B}} B(x) \right) \geq \bigwedge_{\vartheta \in 2^{[\mathcal{B}]}} \bigvee_{x \in X} \left(G(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \vartheta} B(x) \right).$$

Proof. Straightforward. \square

3.5. Theorem. Let (X, \mathcal{T}) be an L -space. Then $G \in L^X$ has the m -Lindelöf property if and only if for every family \mathcal{B} of m -closed L -sets, it follows that

$$\bigvee_{x \in X} \left(G(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \mathcal{B}} B(x) \right) \geq \bigwedge_{\vartheta \in 2^{[\mathcal{B}]}} \bigvee_{x \in X} \left(G(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \vartheta} B(x) \right).$$

Proof. Straightforward. \square

3.6. Theorem. Let (X, \mathcal{T}) be an L -space and $G \in L^X$. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (1) G is a (countably) m -compact.
- (2) For any $a \in L_1$, each (countable) m -open strong a -shading \mathcal{U} of G has a finite subfamily which is a strong a -shading of G .
- (3) For any $a \in L_0$, each (countable) m -closed strong a -remote family \mathcal{P} of G has a finite subfamily which is a strong a -remote family of G .
- (4) For any $a \in L_0$, each (countable) family of m -closed L -sets which has the finite weak a -intersection property in G has a weak a -nonempty intersection in G .
- (5) For each $a \in L_0$, every m -closed (countable) weak a -filterbase relative to G has a weak a -nonempty intersection in G . \square

3.7. Theorem. Let (X, \mathcal{T}) be an L -space and $G \in L^X$. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (1) G has the m -Lindelöf property.
- (2) For any $a \in L_1$, each m -open strong a -shading \mathcal{U} of G has a countable subfamily which is a strong a -shading of G .
- (3) For any $a \in L_0$, each m -closed strong a -remote family \mathcal{P} of G has a countable subfamily which is a strong a -remote family of G .
- (4) For any $a \in L_0$, each family of m -closed L -sets which has the countable weak a -intersection property in G has a weak a -nonempty intersection in G . \square

4. Properties of (countable) m -compactness

4.1. Theorem. *Let L be a complete Heyting algebra. If both G and H are (countably) m -compact, then $G \vee H$ is (countably) m -compact.*

Proof. For any (countable) family \mathcal{B} of m -closed L -sets, we have by Theorem 3.4 that

$$\begin{aligned} & \bigvee_{x \in X} \left((G \vee H)(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \mathcal{B}} B(x) \right) \\ &= \left\{ \bigvee_{x \in X} \left(G(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \mathcal{B}} B(x) \right) \right\} \vee \left\{ \bigvee_{x \in X} \left(H(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \mathcal{B}} B(x) \right) \right\} \\ &\geq \left\{ \bigwedge_{\vartheta \in 2^{(\mathcal{B})}} \bigvee_{x \in X} \left(G(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \vartheta} B(x) \right) \right\} \vee \left\{ \bigwedge_{\vartheta \in 2^{(\mathcal{B})}} \bigvee_{x \in X} \left(H(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \vartheta} B(x) \right) \right\} \\ &= \bigwedge_{\vartheta \in 2^{(\mathcal{B})}} \bigvee_{x \in X} \left((G \vee H)(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \vartheta} B(x) \right). \end{aligned}$$

This shows that $G \vee H$ is (countably) m -compact. \square

Analogously we have the following result.

4.2. Theorem. *Let L be a complete Heyting algebra. If both G and H have the m -Lindelöf property, then $G \vee H$ has the m -Lindelöf property.* \square

4.3. Theorem. *If G is (countably) m -compact and H is m -closed, then $G \wedge H$ is (countably) m -compact.*

Proof. For any (countable) family \mathcal{B} of m -closed L -sets, we have by Theorem 3.4 that

$$\begin{aligned} & \bigvee_{x \in X} \left((G \wedge H)(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \mathcal{B}} B(x) \right) \\ &= \bigvee_{x \in X} \left(G(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \mathcal{B} \cup \{H\}} B(x) \right) \\ &\geq \bigwedge_{\vartheta \in 2^{(\mathcal{B} \cup \{H\})}} \bigvee_{x \in X} \left(G(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \vartheta} B(x) \right) \\ &= \left\{ \bigwedge_{\vartheta \in 2^{(\mathcal{B})}} \bigvee_{x \in X} \left(G(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \vartheta} B(x) \right) \right\} \\ &\quad \wedge \left\{ \bigwedge_{\vartheta \in 2^{(\mathcal{B})}} \bigvee_{x \in X} \left(G(x) \wedge H(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \vartheta} B(x) \right) \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \bigwedge_{\vartheta \in 2^{(\mathcal{B})}} \bigvee_{x \in X} \left(G(x) \wedge H(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \vartheta} B(x) \right) \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \bigwedge_{\vartheta \in 2^{(\mathcal{B})}} \bigvee_{x \in X} \left((G \wedge H)(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \vartheta} B(x) \right) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

This shows that $G \wedge H$ is (countably) m -compact. \square

4.4. Theorem. *If G has the m -Lindelöf property and H is m -closed, then $G \wedge H$ has the m -Lindelöf property.*

Proof. Similar to Theorem 4.3. \square

4.5. Definition. Let (X, \mathcal{T}_1) and (Y, \mathcal{T}_2) be two L -spaces. A map $f : (X, \mathcal{T}_1) \rightarrow (Y, \mathcal{T}_2)$ is called m -irresolute if $f_L^{\leftarrow}(G)$ is m -open for each m -open L -set G .

4.6. Theorem. Let L be a complete Heyting algebra and let $f : (X, \mathcal{T}_1) \rightarrow (Y, \mathcal{T}_2)$ be an m -irresolute map. If G is an m -compact (or, countably m -compact, m -Lindelöf) L -set in (X, \mathcal{T}_1) , then so is $f_L^{\rightarrow}(G)$ in (Y, \mathcal{T}_2) .

Proof. Suppose that \mathcal{P} is a family of m -closed L -sets, then

$$\begin{aligned} \bigvee_{y \in Y} \left(f_L^{\rightarrow}(G)(y) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \mathcal{P}} B(y) \right) &= \bigvee_{x \in X} \left(G(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \mathcal{P}} f_L^{\leftarrow}(B)(x) \right) \\ &\geq \bigwedge_{\emptyset \in 2^{(\mathcal{P})}} \bigvee_{x \in X} \left(G(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \mathcal{P}} f_L^{\leftarrow}(B)(x) \right) \\ &= \bigwedge_{\emptyset \in 2^{(\mathcal{P})}} \bigvee_{y \in Y} \left(f_L^{\leftarrow}(G)(y) \wedge \bigwedge_{B \in \mathcal{P}} B(y) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $f_L^{\rightarrow}(G)$ is m -compact. \square

4.7. Theorem. Let L be a complete Heyting algebra and let $f : (X, \mathcal{T}_1) \rightarrow (Y, \mathcal{T}_2)$ be an m -continuous map. If G is an m -compact (a countably m -compact, m -Lindelöf) L -set in (X, \mathcal{T}_1) , then $f_L^{\rightarrow}(G)$ is a compact (countably compact, Lindelöf) L -set in (Y, \mathcal{T}_2) .

Proof. Straightforward. \square

4.8. Definition. Let (X, \mathcal{T}_1) and (Y, \mathcal{T}_2) be two L -spaces. A map $f : (X, \mathcal{T}_1) \rightarrow (Y, \mathcal{T}_2)$ is called *strongly m -irresolute* if $f_L^{\leftarrow}(G)$ is open in (X, \mathcal{T}_1) for every m -open L -set G in (Y, \mathcal{T}_2) .

It is obvious that a strongly m -irresolute map is m -irresolute and m -continuous. Analogously we have the following result.

4.9. Theorem. Let L be a complete Heyting algebra and $f : (X, \mathcal{T}_1) \rightarrow (Y, \mathcal{T}_2)$ a strongly m -irresolute map. If G is a compact (countably compact, Lindelöf) L -set in (X, \mathcal{T}_1) , then $f_L^{\rightarrow}(G)$ is an m -compact (a countably m -compact, m -Lindelöf) L -set in (Y, \mathcal{T}_2) .

Proof. Straightforward. \square

5. Good extensions

5.1. Theorem. Let (X, \mathcal{T}) be an L -space and $G \in L^X$. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (1) G is m -compact.
- (2) For any $a \in L_0$ ($a \in M(L)$), each m -closed strong a -remote family of G has a finite subfamily which is an a -remote (a strong a -remote) family of G .
- (2) For any $a \in L_0$ ($a \in M(L)$) and any m -closed strong a -remote family \mathcal{P} of G , there exists a finite subfamily \mathcal{F} of \mathcal{P} and $b \in \beta(a)$ ($b \in \beta^*(a)$) such that \mathcal{F} is a (strong) b -remote family of G .
- (3) For any $a \in L_1$ ($a \in P(L)$), each m -open strong a -shading of G has a finite subfamily which is an a -shading (a strong a -shading) of G .
- (4) For any $a \in L_1$ ($a \in P(L)$) and any m -open strong a -shading \mathcal{U} of G , there exists a finite subfamily \mathcal{V} of \mathcal{U} and $b \in \beta(a)$ ($b \in \beta^*(a)$) such that \mathcal{V} is a (strong) b -shading of G .
- (5) For any $a \in L_0$ ($a \in M(L)$), each m -open strong β_a -cover of G has a finite subfamily which is a (strong) β_a -cover of G .

- (6) For any $a \in L_0$ ($a \in M(L)$) and any m -open strong β_a -cover \mathcal{U} of G , there exists a finite subfamily \mathcal{V} of \mathcal{U} and $b \in L$ ($b \in M(L)$) with $a \in \beta(b)$ such that \mathcal{V} is a (strong) β_b -cover of G .
- (7) For any $a \in L_0$ ($a \in M(L)$) and any $b \in \beta(a) \setminus \{0\}$, each m -open Q_a -cover of G has a finite subfamily which is a Q_b -cover of G .
- (8) For any $a \in L_0$ ($a \in M(L)$) and any $b \in \beta(a) \setminus \{0\}$ ($b \in \beta^*(a)$), each m -open Q_a -cover of G has a finite subfamily which is a (strong) Q_b -cover of G . \square

Analogously we also can present characterizations of countable m -compactness and the m -Lindelöf property.

If $mO(X, \mathcal{T})$ denotes the set of m -open L -sets in (X, \mathcal{T}) , we will denote the corresponding set in (X, τ) by $\mathcal{M}O(X, \tau)$. The following lemma can be proved separately using Theorem 2.6 for the special cases of $mO(X, \mathcal{T})$ and $\mathcal{M}O(X, \tau)$.

5.2. Lemma. *Let $(X, \omega(L))$ be generated topologically by (X, τ) . If A is an \mathcal{M} -open set in (X, τ) , then χ_A is an m -open L -set in $(X, \omega_L(\tau))$. If B is an m -open L -set in $(X, \omega_L(\tau))$, then $B_{(a)}$ is an \mathcal{M} -open set in (X, τ) for every $a \in L$. \square*

The next two theorems show that m -compactness, countable m -compactness and the m -Lindelöf property are good extensions.

5.3. Theorem. *Let $(X, \omega_L(\tau))$ be generated topologically by (X, τ) . Then $(X, \omega_L(\tau))$ is (countably) m -compact if and only if (X, τ) is (countably) \mathcal{M} -compact.*

Proof. Necessity. Let \mathcal{A} be an \mathcal{M} -open cover (a countable \mathcal{M} -open cover) of (X, τ) . Then $\{\chi_A : A \in \mathcal{A}\}$ is a family of m -open L -sets in $(X, \omega_L(\tau))$ with

$$\bigwedge_{x \in X} \left(\bigvee_{A \in \mathcal{U}} \chi_A(x) \right) = 1.$$

From the (countable) m -compactness of $(X, \omega_L(\tau))$ we know that

$$1 \geq \bigvee_{\psi \in 2^{(\mathcal{U})}} \bigwedge_{x \in X} \left(\bigvee_{A \in \psi} \chi_A(x) \right) \geq \bigwedge_{x \in X} \left(\bigvee_{A \in \mathcal{U}} \chi_A(x) \right) = 1.$$

This implies that there exists $\psi \in 2^{(\mathcal{U})}$ such that $\bigwedge_{x \in X} \left(\bigvee_{A \in \psi} \chi_A(x) \right) = 1$. Hence ψ is a cover of (X, τ) . Therefore (X, τ) is (countably) \mathcal{M} -compact.

Sufficiency. Let \mathcal{U} be a (countable) family of m -open L -sets in $(X, \omega_L(\tau))$ and let $\bigwedge_{x \in X} \left(\bigvee_{B \in \mathcal{U}} B(x) \right) = a$. If $a = 0$, then we obviously have

$$\bigwedge_{x \in X} \left(\bigvee_{B \in \mathcal{U}} B(x) \right) \leq \bigvee_{\psi \in 2^{(\mathcal{U})}} \bigwedge_{x \in X} \left(\bigvee_{A \in \psi} B(x) \right).$$

Now we suppose that $a \neq 0$. In this case, for any $b \in \beta(a) \setminus \{0\}$ we have

$$b \in \beta \left(\bigwedge_{x \in X} \left(\bigvee_{B \in \mathcal{U}} B(x) \right) \right) \subseteq \bigcap_{x \in X} \beta \left(\bigvee_{B \in \mathcal{U}} B(x) \right) = \bigcap_{x \in X} \bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{U}} \beta(B(x)).$$

By Lemma 5.2 this implies that $\{B_{(b)} \mid B \in \mathcal{U}\}$ is an \mathcal{M} -open cover of (X, τ) . From the (countable) \mathcal{M} -compactness of (X, τ) we know that there exists $\psi \in 2^{(\mathcal{U})}$ such that $\{B_{(b)} \mid B \in \psi\}$ is a cover of (X, τ) . Hence $b \leq \bigvee_{x \in X} \left(\bigwedge_{B \in \psi} B(x) \right)$. Furthermore we have

$$b \leq \bigwedge_{x \in X} \left(\bigvee_{B \in \psi} B(x) \right) \leq \bigvee_{\psi \in 2^{(\mathcal{U})}} \bigwedge_{x \in X} \left(\bigvee_{B \in \psi} B(x) \right).$$

This implies that

$$\bigwedge_{x \in X} \left(\bigvee_{B \in \mathcal{U}} B(x) \right) = a = \bigvee \{b : b \in \beta(a)\} \leq \bigvee_{\psi \in 2^{\mathcal{U}}} \bigwedge_{x \in X} \left(\bigvee_{B \in \psi} B(x) \right).$$

Therefore $(X, \omega_L(\tau))$ is (countably) m -compact. \square

Analogously we have the following theorem.

5.4. Theorem. *Let $(X, \omega_L(\tau))$ be generated topologically by (X, τ) . Then $(X, \omega_L(\tau))$ has the m -Lindelöf property if and only if (X, τ) has the \mathcal{M} -Lindelöf property. \square*

6. Conclusion and remarks

In this paper, we give a general framework for the concept of compactness in L -topological spaces. Instead of studying compactness for each type of open L -sets $O(X, \mathcal{T})$ separately, we examine the compactness for open sets of type $mO(X, \mathcal{T})$.

If $mO(X, \mathcal{T}) = SO(X, \mathcal{T})$, we get the study of Shi [23], when $mO(X, \mathcal{T}) = PO(X, \mathcal{T})$, we get the study of Shi [19]. In the case of $mO(X, \mathcal{T}) = \alpha O(X, \mathcal{T})$ we have the study of Shi [21]. This method can be applied for the cases of $mO(X, \mathcal{T}) = \beta O(X, \mathcal{T})$, $mO(X, \mathcal{T}) = \gamma O(X, \mathcal{T})$, and so on.

We conclude from this that there are no benefits from repeating the same study on other kinds of L -sets where we can get any kind of compactness by choosing a suitable type m .

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