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# COUNTABLE S\*-COMPACTNESS IN L-SPACES

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#### Abstract

In this paper, the notions of countable  $S^*$ -compactness is introduced in L-topological spaces based on the notion of  $S^*$ -compactness. An  $S^*$ -compact L-set is countably  $S^*$ -compact. If L = [0,1], then countable strong compactness implies countable  $S^*$ -compactness and countable  $S^*$ -compactness implies countable F-compactness, but each inverse is not true. The intersection of a countably  $S^*$ -compact L-set and a closed L-set is countably  $S^*$ -compact. The continuous image of a countably  $S^*$ -compact L-set is countably  $S^*$ -compact. A weakly induced L-space (X, T) is countably  $S^*$ -compact if and only if (X, [T])is countably compact.

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## 1. Introduction

The concept of compactness is one of most important concepts in general topology. The concept of compactness in [0, 1]-fuzzy set theory was first introduced by C.L. Chang in terms of open cover [1]. Goguen was the first to point out a deficiency in Chang's compactness theory by showing that the Tychonoff Theorem is false [5]. Since Chang's compactness has some limitations, Gantner, Steinlage and Warren introduced  $\alpha$ -compactness [3], Lowen introduced F-compactness, strong compactness and ultra-compactness [9], Liu introduced Q-compactness [7], Li introduced strong Q-compactness [6] which is equivalent to strong F-compactness in [10], and Wang and Zhao introduced N-compactness [16, 21].

In [15], Shi introduced a new notion of fuzzy compactness in L-topological spaces, which is called  $S^*$ -compactness. Ultra-compactness implies  $S^*$ -compactness.  $S^*$ -compactness implies F-compactness. If L = [0, 1], then strong compactness implies  $S^*$ -compactness.

There has been many papers about countable fuzzy compactness of L-sets (see [11, 12, 14, 18, 19, 20] etc.). They were based on the concepts of N-compactness, Chang's compactness, strong compactness and F-compactness respectively.

In this paper, based on the  $S^*$ -compactness, we shall introduce the notion of countable  $S^*$ -compactness and research its properties.

## 2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper  $(L, \bigvee, \bigwedge, ')$  is a completely distributive de Morgan algebra. X is a nonempty set.  $L^X$  is the set of all L-fuzzy sets on X. The smallest element and the largest element in  $L^X$  are denoted by  $\underline{0}$  and  $\underline{1}$ .

An element a in L is called prime if  $a \ge b \land c$  implies  $a \ge b$  or  $a \ge c$ . An element a in L is called co-prime if a' is a prime element [4]. The set of nonunit prime elements in L is denoted by P(L). The set of nonzero co-prime elements in L is denoted by M(L). The set of nonzero co-prime elements in  $L^X$  is denoted by  $M(L^X)$ .

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  $a \leq d$  [2]. In a completely distributive de Morgan algebra L, each member b is a sup of  $\{a \in L \mid a \prec b\}$ . In the sense of [8, 17],  $\{a \in L \mid a \prec b\}$  is the greatest minimal family of b, in symbol  $\beta(b)$ . Moreover for  $b \in L$ , define  $\alpha(b) = \{a \in L \mid a' \prec b'\}$  and  $\alpha^*(b) = \alpha(b) \cap P(L)$ .

For an *L*-set  $A \in L^X$ ,  $\beta(A)$  denotes the greatest minimal family of *A* and  $\beta^*(A) = \beta(A) \cap M(L^X)$ .

For  $a \in L$  and  $A \in L^X$ , we use the following notations in [15].

$$A_{[a]} = \{ x \in X \mid A(x) \ge a \}, \quad A_{(a)} = \{ x \in X \mid a \in \beta(A(x)) \}, \\ A^{(a)} = \{ x \in X \mid A(x) \not\le a \}.$$

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  $\underline{0}, \underline{1}$  and is closed for any suprema and finite infima.  $\mathcal{T}$  is called an *L*-topology on *X*. Each member of  $\mathcal{T}$  is called an open *L*-set and its complement is called a closed *L*-set.

**Definition 2.1.** [[8, 17]] For a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , let  $\omega_L(\tau)$  denote the family of all lower semi-continuous maps from  $(X, \tau)$  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 called topologically generated by  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Definition 2.2.** [[8, 17]] An *L*-space  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is called weakly induced if  $\forall a \in L, \forall A \in \mathcal{T}$ , it follows that  $A^{(a)} \in [\mathcal{T}]$ , where  $[\mathcal{T}]$  denotes the topology formed by all crisp sets in  $\mathcal{T}$ .

**Lemma 2.3.** [[15]] Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a weakly induced *L*-space,  $a \in L, A \in \mathcal{T}$ . Then  $A_{(a)}$  is an open set in  $[\mathcal{T}]$ .

**Definition 2.4.** [[20]] An *L*-space  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is called countably ultracompact if  $\iota_L(\mathcal{T})$  is countably compact, where  $\iota_L(\mathcal{T})$  is the topology generated by  $\{A^{(a)} \mid A \in \mathcal{T}, a \in L\}$ .

**Definition 2.5.** [[11]] Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be an *L*-space,  $A \in L^X$ . A is called countably N-compact if for every  $a \in M(L)$ , every countable *a*-R-neighborhood family of *G* has a finite subfamily which is an  $a^-$ -R-neighborhood family of *G*.

**Definition 2.6.** [[19]] Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be an *L*-space,  $G \in L^X$ . *G* is called countably strong compact if for every  $a \in M(L)$ , every countable *a*-R-neighborhood family of *G* has a finite subfamily which is an *a*-R-neighborhood family of *G*.

**Definition 2.7.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be an *L*-space,  $a \in L \setminus \{0\}$  and  $G \in L^X$ . A family  $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathcal{T}$  is called a  $Q_a$ -open cover of G if  $a \leq \bigwedge_{x \in X} \left( G'(x) \lor \bigvee_{A \in \mathcal{U}A(x)} \right)$ .

It is obvious that for  $a \in M(L)$ , the notion of  $Q_a$ -open cover in Definition 2.7 is the corresponding notion in [15].

**Definition 2.8.** [[12]] Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be an *L*-space,  $G \in L^X$ . *G* is called countably F-compact if for any  $a \in M(L)$  and for any  $b \in \beta^*(a)$ , every constant *a*-sequence in *G* has a cluster point in *G* with height *b*.

**Definition 2.9.** [[15]] Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be an *L*-space,  $a \in M(L)$  and  $G \in L^X$ . A family  $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathcal{T}$  is called a  $\beta_a$ -open cover of *G* if for any  $x \in X$ , it follows that  $a \in \beta \left( G'(x) \lor \bigvee_{A \in \mathcal{U}A(x)} \right)$ .

When L = [0, 1],  $\mathcal{U}$  is a  $\beta_a$ -open cover of <u>1</u> if and only if  $\mathcal{U}$  is an *a*-shading of <u>1</u> in the sense of [3].  $\mathcal{U}$  is a  $\beta_a$ -open cover of *G* if and only if  $\mathcal{U}'$  is an *a'*-R-neighborhood family of *G*.

# 3. Countable S\*-compactness

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be an *L*-space and  $G \in L^X$ . Then *G* is called countably *S*<sup>\*</sup>-compact if for any  $a \in M(L)$ , each countable  $\beta_a$ -open cover of *G* has a finite subfamily which is a  $Q_a$ -open cover of *G*.  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is said to be countably *S*<sup>\*</sup>-compact if <u>1</u> is countably *S*<sup>\*</sup>-compact.

Obviously we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.2.**  $S^*$ -compactness implies countably  $S^*$ -compactness.

From Theorem 3.2, we know that an *L*-set with finite support is  $S^*$ -compact. Moreover in an *L*-space  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  with a finite *L*-topology, each *L*-set is  $S^*$ -compact.

**Definition 3.3.** Let  $\mathcal{A} \subset L^X$ ,  $G, H \in L^X$  and  $a \in M(L)$ .

(1) *H* is called  $Q_a$ -nonempty in *G* if there exists  $x \in X$  such that  $G(x) \wedge A(x) \not\leq a'$ .

(2) *H* is called weak  $Q_a$ -nonempty in *G* if there exists  $x \in X$  such that  $a' \notin \alpha(G(x) \wedge A(x))$ .

(3)  $\mathcal{A}$  is said to have a  $Q_a$ -nonempty intersection in G if  $\bigwedge \mathcal{U}$  is  $Q_a$ -nonempty in G.

(4)  $\mathcal{A}$  is said to have a weak  $Q_a$ -nonempty intersection in G if  $\bigwedge \mathcal{U}$  is weak  $Q_a$ -nonempty in G.

(5) If each finite subfamily of  $\mathcal{A}$  has  $Q_a$ -nonempty intersection in G, then  $\mathcal{A}$  is said to have finite  $Q_a$ -intersection property in G.

It is obvious that if  $\mathcal{A}$  has a  $Q_a$ -nonempty intersection in G, then it also has a weak  $Q_a$ -nonempty intersection in G.

It is easy to prove the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.4.** For an *L*-space  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  and  $G \in L^X$ , the following conditions are equivalent:

(1) G is countably  $S^*$ -compact.

(2) Each countable family of closed *L*-sets with finite  $Q_a$ -intersection property in *G* has weakly  $Q_a$ -nonempty intersection in *G*.

(3) For each decreasing sequence  $F_1 \supset F_2 \supset \cdots$  of closed *L*-sets which are  $Q_a$ -nonempty in G,  $\{F_i \mid i = 1, 2, \cdots\}$  has a weakly  $Q_a$ -nonempty intersection in G.

**Theorem 3.5.** If G is countably  $S^*$ -compact and H is closed, then  $G \wedge H$  is countably  $S^*$ -compact.

**Proof.** Suppose that  $\mathcal{U}$  is a countable  $\beta_a$ -open cover of  $G \wedge H$ . Then  $\mathcal{U} \cup \{H'\}$  is a countable  $\beta_a$ -open cover of G. By countable  $S^*$ -compactness of G, we know that  $\mathcal{U} \cup \{H'\}$  has a finite subfamily  $\mathcal{V}$  which is a  $Q_a$ -open cover of G. Take  $\mathcal{W} = \mathcal{V} \setminus \{H'\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{W}$  is  $Q_a$ -open cover of  $G \wedge H$ . This shows that  $G \wedge H$  is countably  $S^*$ -compact.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 3.6.** If G is countably  $S^*$ -compact in  $(X, \mathcal{T}_1)$  and  $f : (X, \mathcal{T}_1) \to (Y, \mathcal{T}_2)$  is continuous, then  $f_L^{\rightarrow}(G)$  is countably  $S^*$ -compact in  $(Y, \mathcal{T}_2)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathcal{T}_2$  be a countable  $\beta_a$ -open cover of  $f_L^{\rightarrow}(G)$ . Then for any  $y \in Y$ , we have that  $a \in \beta\left(f_L^{\rightarrow}(G)'(y) \lor \bigvee_{A \in \mathcal{U}} A(y)\right)$ . Hence for any  $x \in X$ ,  $a \in \beta\left(G'(x) \lor \bigvee_{A \in \mathcal{U}} f_L^{\leftarrow}(A)(x)\right)$ . This shows that  $f_L^{\leftarrow}(\mathcal{V}) =$  $\{f_L^{\leftarrow}(A) \mid A \in \mathcal{U}\}$  is a countable  $\beta_a$ -open cover of G. By countable  $S^*$ compactness of G, we know that  $\mathcal{U}$  has a finite subfamily  $\mathcal{V}$  such that

compactness of G, we know that  $\mathcal{U}$  has a finite subfamily  $\mathcal{V}$  such that  $f_L^{\leftarrow}(\mathcal{V})$  is a  $Q_a$ -open cover of G. By the following equation we can obtain that  $\mathcal{V}$  is a  $Q_a$ -open cover of f(G).

$$\begin{split} f_{L}^{\rightarrow}(G)'(y) \lor \begin{pmatrix} \bigvee \\ A \in \mathcal{V}A(y) \end{pmatrix} &= \left(\bigwedge_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} G'(x)\right) \lor \begin{pmatrix} \bigvee \\ A \in \mathcal{V}A(y) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \bigwedge_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} \left(G'(x) \lor \begin{pmatrix} \bigvee \\ A \in \mathcal{V}A(f(x)) \end{pmatrix}\right) \\ &= \bigwedge_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} \left(G'(x) \lor \bigvee_{A \in \mathcal{V}(f^{\leftarrow}(A))(x)}\right). \end{split}$$

Therefore  $f_L^{\rightarrow}(G)$  is countably S<sup>\*</sup>-compact.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 3.7.** If  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is a weakly induced *L*-space, then  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is countably  $S^*$ -compact if and only if  $(X, [\mathcal{T}])$  is countably compact.

**Proof.** Let  $(X, [\mathcal{T}])$  be countably compact. For  $a \in M(L)$ , let  $\mathcal{U}$  be a countable  $\beta_a$ -open cover of  $\underline{1}$  in  $(X, \mathcal{T})$ . Then by Lemma 2.2,  $\{A_{(a)} \mid A \in \mathcal{U}\}$  is a countable open cover of  $(X, [\mathcal{T}])$ . By countable compactness of  $(X, [\mathcal{T}])$ , we know that there exists a finite subfamily  $\mathcal{V}$  of  $\mathcal{U}$  such that  $\mathcal{V}_{(a)} = \{A_{(a)} \mid A \in \mathcal{V}\}$  is an open cover of  $(X, [\mathcal{T}])$ . Obviously  $\mathcal{V}$  is a  $\beta_a$ -open cover of  $\underline{1}$  in  $(X, \mathcal{T})$ , of course it is also a  $Q_a$ -open cover of  $\underline{1}$  in  $(X, \mathcal{T})$ . This shows that  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is countably  $S^*$ -compact.

Conversely let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be countably  $S^*$ -compact and  $\mathcal{W}$  be a countable open cover of  $(X, [\mathcal{T}])$ . Then for each  $a \in \beta^*(1)$ ,  $\mathcal{W}$  is a countable  $\beta_a$ -open cover of  $\underline{1}$  in  $(X, \mathcal{T})$ . By countable  $S^*$ -compactness of  $(X, \mathcal{T})$ , we know that there exists a finite subfamily  $\mathcal{V}$  of  $\mathcal{W}$  such that  $\mathcal{V}$  is a  $Q_a$ -open cover of  $\underline{1}$  in  $(X, \mathcal{T})$ . Obviously  $\mathcal{V}$  is an open cover of  $(X, [\mathcal{T}])$ . This shows that  $(X, [\mathcal{T}])$  is compact.  $\Box$ 

**Corollary 3.8.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a crisp topological space. Then  $(X, \omega_L(\tau))$  is countably S\*-compact if and only if  $(X, \tau)$  is countably compact.

# 4. A comparison of different notions of countable compactness

In [13], a characterization of F-compactness was presented by means of  $Q_a$ -open cover. Analogously we can present the characterization of countable F-compactness as follows:

**Lemma 4.1.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be an *L*-space,  $G \in L^X$ . Then *G* is countably F-compact if and only if for all  $a \in M(L)$ , for all  $b \in \beta^*(a)$ , each countable  $Q_a$ -open cover  $\Phi$  of *G* has a finite subfamily  $\mathcal{B}$  such that  $\mathcal{B}$  is a  $Q_b$ -open cover of *G*.

**Theorem 4.2.** Countable  $S^*$ -compactness implies countable F-compactness.

**Proof.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be an *L*-space and  $G \in L^X$  be countably  $S^*$ compact. To prove that *G* is countably F-compact, suppose that  $\mathcal{U}$  is a
countable  $Q_a$ -open cover of *G*. Obviously for any  $b \in \beta^*(a)$ ,  $\mathcal{U}$  is a countable  $\beta_b$ -open cover of *G*. By countable  $S^*$ -compactness of *G* we know that  $\mathcal{U}$  has a finite subfamily  $\mathcal{V}$  which is a  $Q_b$ -open cover of *G*. By Lemma 4.1
we know that *G* is countably F-compact.  $\Box$ 

In general, countable F-compactness needn't imply countable  $S^*$  -compactness. This can be seen from Example 6.2 in [12].

When L = [0, 1], since each  $\beta_a$ -open cover of G is  $Q_a$ -open cover of G and  $\mathcal{U}$  is a  $\beta_a$ -open cover of G if and only if  $\mathcal{U}$  is an a-shading of G, we can obtain the following:

**Theorem 4.3.** When L = [0, 1], countable strong compactness implies countable  $S^*$ -compactness, hence countable N-compactness implies countable  $S^*$ -compactness.

In general, countable  $S^*$ -compactness needn't imply countable strong compactness. This can be seen from Example 6.4 in [12].

**Theorem 4.4.** If  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is a countably ultra-compact *L*-space, then it is countably  $S^*$ -compact.

**Proof.** By countable ultra-compactness of  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  we know that  $(X, \iota(\mathcal{T}))$  is countably compact. This shows that  $(X, \omega_L \circ \iota_L(\mathcal{T}))$  is countably  $S^*$ -compact from Corollary 3.8. Further from  $\omega_L \circ \iota_L(\mathcal{T}) \supseteq \mathcal{T}$  we can obtain the proof.  $\Box$ 

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