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# Quasi $\mathcal{N}$ -Open sets and related compactness concepts in bitopological spaces

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#### Abstract

Three types of N-open sets are defined and investigated in bitopological spaces, and via them several compactness are introduced. Several relationships, examples and counter-examples regarding the new concepts are given.

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## 1. Introduction

Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and let A be a subset of X. A point  $x \in X$ is called an infinite point (resp. condensation point) of A if for each  $U \in \tau$ with  $x \in U$ , the set  $U \cap A$  is infinite (resp. uncountable). The set A is called  $\mathcal{N}$ -closed [3, 4] (resp.  $\omega$ -closed [6]) if it contains all its infinite points (resp. condensation points), the complement of an N-closed (resp.  $\omega$ -closed) set is called N-open [3, 4] (resp.  $\omega$ -open [7]). For a given topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , we will denote the class of  $\omega$ -open sets (resp. N-open sets) by  $\tau_{\omega}$  (resp.  $\tau_{\mathcal{N}}$ ). It is known that  $\tau_{\mathcal{N}}$  lies between  $\tau$  and  $\tau_{\omega}$ . Also, it is known that A is N-open (resp.  $\omega$ -open) if and only if for every  $x \in A$ , there are  $O \in \tau$ and a finite (resp. countable) set G such that  $x \in O - G \subseteq A$ . Using  $\mathcal{N}$ -open sets, Al-Omari and Noorani in [3, 4] gave several characterizations of compact and strongly compact topological spaces.

As a wider structure than classical topological spaces, Kelly in [9] introduced bitopological spaces as an ordered triple  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  of a set X and two topologies  $\tau$  and  $\sigma$ . Datta in [5] introduced the notion of quasi open sets in bitopological spaces. In [1–2, 11-16, 18-20], several modifications of the concept of quasi open sets are inroduced and used to define new bitopological concepts. In this research, we define and investigate quasi  $\mathcal{N}$ -open sets as a new class of sets in bitopological spaces and use them to define reasonable new compactness concepts. We give some characterizations regarding compact bitopological spaces.

## 2. Three Types of $\mathcal{N}$ -open Sets in Bitopological Spaces

**Definition 2.1.** [5] Let  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  be a bitopological space.

(a) The smallest topology on X containing  $\tau \cup \sigma$  is called the least upper bound topology on X.

(b) A set  $A \subseteq (X, \tau, \sigma)$  is said to be semi-open (briefly, *s*-open) if it is open in the least upper bound topology on X.

If  $\tau$  and  $\sigma$  are two topologies on a set X, then the least upper bound topology on X will be denoted by  $\langle \tau, \sigma \rangle$ .

**Proposition 2.2.** [1] Let  $\tau$  and  $\sigma$  be two topologies on a set X. Then  $A \subseteq (X, \tau, \sigma)$  is s-open if and only if for each  $x \in A$  there exist  $U \in \tau$ , and  $V \in \sigma$  such that  $x \in U \cap V \subseteq A$ .

**Definition 2.3.** [10] A set  $A \subseteq (X, \tau, \sigma)$  is said to be *u*-open if  $A \in \tau \cup \sigma$ .

The family of all u-open sets in  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  will be denoted by  $u(\tau, \sigma)$ .

**Definition 2.4.** [5] A set  $A \subseteq (X, \tau, \sigma)$  is said to be quasi-open (briefly, q-open) if for every  $x \in A$  there exists  $U_x \in \tau$  such that  $x \in U_x \subseteq A$  or  $V_x \in \sigma$  such that  $x \in V_x \subseteq A$ . Equivalently: A set  $A \subseteq (X, \tau, \sigma)$  is q-open if and only if  $A = B \cup C$ , where  $B \in \tau$  and  $C \in \sigma$ . A set  $A \subseteq (X, \tau, \sigma)$  is said to be q-closed if X - A is q-open.

The family of all q-open sets in  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  will be denoted by  $q(\tau, \sigma)$ .

**Proposition 2.5.** [5] For a bitopological space  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$ , we have the following:

(a)  $u(\tau, \sigma) \subseteq q(\tau, \sigma) \subseteq \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle, \ \tau \cup \sigma \neq q(\tau, \sigma)$  in general and  $q(\tau, \sigma) \neq \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle$  in general.

(b)  $q(\tau, \sigma)$  is closed under arbitrary union but  $q(\tau, \sigma)$  is not a topology on X, in general.

(c) Arbitrary intersection of q-closed sets is q-closed.

**Definition 2.6.** [1] Let  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  be a bitopological space and let  $A \subseteq X$ . Then

(a) A is said to be  $u - \omega$ -open in  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  if  $A \in \tau_{\omega} \cup \sigma_{\omega}$ . Equivalently:  $A \subseteq (X, \tau, \sigma)$  is  $u - \omega$ -open if and only if  $A \in u(\tau_{\omega}, \sigma_{\omega})$ .

(b) A is said to be  $u - \omega$ -closed in  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  if X - A is  $u - \omega$ -open in  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$ .

(c) A is said to be  $s - \omega$ -open in  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  if it is an open set in the least upper bound topology on X, of  $\tau_{\omega}$  and  $\sigma_{\omega}$ .

**Definition 2.7.** Let  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  be a bitopological space and let  $A \subseteq X$ . Then

(a) A is said to be  $u - \mathcal{N}$ -open in  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  if  $A \in \tau_{\mathcal{N}} \cup \sigma_{\mathcal{N}}$ . Equivalently:  $A \subseteq (X, \tau, \sigma)$  is  $u - \mathcal{N}$ -open if and only if  $A \in u(\tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}})$ .

(b) A is said to be  $u - \mathcal{N}$ -closed in  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  if X - A is  $u - \mathcal{N}$ -open in  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$ .

(c) A is said to be  $s - \mathcal{N}$ -open in  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  if it is an open set in the least upper bound topology on X, of  $\tau_{\mathcal{N}}$  and  $\sigma_{\mathcal{N}}$ .

For a bitopological space  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$ , we will denote the family of all *u*- $\mathcal{N}$ -open sets in  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  by *u*- $\mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ , and the family of all  $\mathcal{N}$ -open sets in the topological space  $(X, \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle)$  is denoted by  $\langle \tau, \sigma \rangle_{\mathcal{N}}$ .

**Theorem 2.8.** (a) Every *u*-open set in bitopological space is u- $\mathcal{N}$ -open.

(b) Every u- $\mathcal{N}$ -open set in bitopological space is u- $\omega$ -open.

**Proof.** (a) Let  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  be a bitopological space and let A be a u-open set in  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$ . Then  $A \in u(\tau, \sigma)$ . Since  $\tau \subseteq \tau_{\mathcal{N}}$  and  $\sigma \subseteq \sigma_{\mathcal{N}}$ , then  $u(\tau, \sigma) \subseteq u(\tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}})$ . It follows that  $A \in u(\tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}})$  and A is u- $\mathcal{N}$ -open.

(b) Let  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  be a bitopological space and let A be a u-N-open set in  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$ . Then  $A \in u(\tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}})$ . Since  $\tau_{\mathcal{N}} \subseteq \tau_{\omega}$  and  $\sigma_{\mathcal{N}} \subseteq \sigma_{\omega}$ , then  $u(\tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}}) \subseteq u(\tau_{\omega}, \sigma_{\omega})$ . It follows that  $A \in u(\tau_{\omega}, \sigma_{\omega})$  and A is  $u-\omega$ -open.

The following example shows that the converse of each of the two implications in Theorem 2.8 is not true in general:

**Example 2.9.** Consider  $(\mathbf{R}, \tau, \sigma)$  where  $\tau$  and  $\sigma$  are the left ray and the indiscrete topologies, respectively. It is clear that  $\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{Q}$  is  $u - \omega$ -open but not  $u - \mathcal{N}$ -open and  $\mathbf{R} - \{1\}$  is  $u - \mathcal{N}$ -open but not u-open.

**Theorem 2.10.** Let  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  be a bitopological space. Then  $\langle \tau, \sigma \rangle_{\mathcal{N}} = \langle \tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}} \rangle$ .

**Proof.** Let  $A \in \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle_{\mathcal{N}}$  and let  $x \in A$ . Then there exist H, F such that  $H \in \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle$  and a finite set  $F \subseteq X$  such that  $x \in H - F \subseteq A$ . Since  $x \in H \in \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle$ , there exist U, V such that  $U \in \tau, V \in \sigma$  and  $x \in U \cap V \subseteq H$ . Note that  $U - F \in \tau_{\mathcal{N}}, V - F \in \sigma_{\mathcal{N}}$ , and  $x \in (U - F) \cap (V - F) \subseteq (U \cap V) - F \subseteq H - F \subseteq A$ . It follows that  $A \in \langle \tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}} \rangle$ . Conversely, let  $A \in \langle \tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}} \rangle$  and let  $x \in A$ . Then there exist  $W \in \tau_{\mathcal{N}}$  and  $G \in \sigma_{\mathcal{N}}$  such that  $x \in W \cap G \subseteq A$ . Since  $x \in W \cap G$ , there exist  $U \in \tau, V \in \sigma$  and finite sets  $F, M \subseteq X$  such that  $x \in U - F \subseteq W$  and  $x \in V - M \subseteq G$ . Note that  $U \cap V \in \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle$  and  $F \cap M$  is a finite set. Also,  $x \in (U \cap V) - (F \cup M) \subseteq W \cap G \subseteq A$ . Thus  $A \in \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle_{\mathcal{N}}$ .

**Theorem 2.11.** Let  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  be a bitopological space. Then  $u - \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma) \subseteq \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle_{\mathcal{N}}$ .

**Proof.**  $u \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma) = \tau_{\mathcal{N}} \cup \sigma_{\mathcal{N}} \subseteq \langle \tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}} \rangle = \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle_{\mathcal{N}}$ . Since by Theorem 2.10,  $\langle \tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}} \rangle = \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle_{\mathcal{N}}$ , it follows that  $u \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma) \subseteq \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle_{\mathcal{N}}$ .

The following example will show respectively, that the inclusion in Theorem 2.11 cannot be replaced by equality, in general.

**Example 2.12.** Consider the bitopological space  $(\mathbf{R}, \tau_{lr}, \tau_{rr})$  and let A = (6,9). Then  $A \in \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle \subseteq \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle_{\mathcal{N}}$ , while  $A \notin \tau_{\mathcal{N}} \cup \sigma_{\mathcal{N}} = u \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ .

As defined in [1], a set  $A \subseteq (X, \tau, \sigma)$  is said to be q- $\omega$ -open if for every  $x \in A$  there exists  $U_x \in \tau \omega$  such that  $x \in U_x \subseteq A$  or  $V_x \in \sigma \omega$  such that  $x \in V_x \subseteq A$ . Equivalently:  $A \subseteq (X, \tau, \sigma)$  is q- $\omega$ -open if and only if  $A \in q(\tau \omega, \sigma \omega)$ . A set  $A \subseteq (X, \tau, \sigma)$  is said to be q- $\omega$ -closed if X - A is q- $\omega$ -open. The family of all q- $\omega$ -open sets in  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  is denoted by q- $\omega(\tau, \sigma)$ .

**Definition 2.13.** A set  $A \subseteq (X, \tau, \sigma)$  is said to be q- $\mathcal{N}$ -open if for every  $x \in A$  there exists  $U_x \in \tau_{\mathcal{N}}$  such that  $x \in U_x \subseteq A$  or  $V_x \in \sigma_{\mathcal{N}}$  such that  $x \in V_x \subseteq A$ . Equivalently:  $A \subseteq (X, \tau, \sigma)$  is q- $\mathcal{N}$ -open if and only if  $A \in q(\tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}})$ . A set  $A \subseteq (X, \tau, \sigma)$  is said to be q- $\mathcal{N}$ -closed if X - A is q- $\mathcal{N}$ -open. The family of all q- $\mathcal{N}$ -open sets in  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  is denoted by q- $\mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ .

**Theorem 2.14.** Let  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  be a bitopological space and  $A \subseteq X$ . Then the following are equivalent:

(a) A is q- $\mathcal{N}$ -open.

(b) For each  $x \in A$  there exists  $U \in u(\tau, \sigma)$  and a finite set  $F \subseteq X$  such that  $x \in U - F \subseteq A$ .

**Proof.** (a)  $\Longrightarrow$  (b): Let A be a q- $\mathcal{N}$ -open set and let  $x \in A$ . Since A is q- $\mathcal{N}$ -open, there exist B, C such that  $B \in \tau_{\mathcal{N}}, C \in \sigma_{\mathcal{N}}$  and  $A = B \cup C$ . Without loss of generality we may assume that  $x \in B$ . Choose  $U \in \tau \subseteq u(\tau, \sigma)$  and a finite set  $F \subseteq X$  such that  $x \in U - F \subseteq B \subseteq A$ .

(b)  $\Longrightarrow$  (a): By (b), for each  $x \in A$  there exists  $U_x \in u(\tau, \sigma)$  and a finite set  $F_x \subseteq X$  such that  $x \in U_x - F_x \subseteq A$ . Let  $B = \bigcup \{U_x - F_x : U_x \in \tau\}$ and  $C = \bigcup \{U_x - F_x : U_x \in \sigma\}$ . Then  $B \in \tau_N, C \in \sigma_N$  and  $A = B \cup C$ . It follows that A is q-N-open.

**Theorem 2.15.** Let  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  be a bitopological space. Then

(a)  $u - \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma) \subseteq q - \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ .

(b)  $q(\tau, \sigma) \subseteq q \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ .

- (c)  $q \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma) \subseteq \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle_{\mathcal{N}}$ .
- (d)  $\{\emptyset, X\} \subseteq q \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ .

(e) The family  $q - \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$  is closed under arbitrary union.

(f) The family of all q- $\mathcal{N}$ -closed sets in  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  closed under arbitrary intersection.

(g) q-N $(\tau, \sigma) \subseteq q - \omega (\tau, \sigma)$ .

**Proof.** (a) Since  $u(\tau, \sigma) \subseteq q(\tau, \sigma)$  and  $u \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma) = u(\tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}})$  we have ,  $u(\tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}}) \subseteq q(\tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}}) = q \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ , then  $u \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma) \subseteq q \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ .

(b) Let  $A \in q(\tau, \sigma)$ , then there exist B and C such that  $A = B \cup C$ , where  $B \in \tau$  and  $C \in \sigma$ . Since  $\tau \subseteq \tau_{\mathcal{N}}$  and  $\sigma \subseteq \sigma_{\mathcal{N}}$ , then  $B \in \tau_{\mathcal{N}}$  and  $C \in \sigma_{\mathcal{N}}$ . Thus,  $A \in q(\tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}}) = q \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ .

(c) Since  $q(\tau, \sigma) \subseteq \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle$ , it follows that  $q \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma) = q(\tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}}) \subseteq \langle \tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}} \rangle$ . Thus, by Theorem 2.10 (a), it follows that  $q \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma) \subseteq \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle_{\mathcal{N}}$ . (d) Since  $\{\emptyset, X\} \subseteq u \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ , then by part (a) we have  $\{\emptyset, X\} \subseteq q \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ .

(e) Since  $q \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma) = q(\tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}})$  and  $q(\tau, \sigma)$  is closed under arbitrary union, we get that  $q(\tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}}) = q \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$  is closed under arbitrary union.

(f) Let  $\{A_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  be a collection of q- $\mathcal{N}$ -closed sets of  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$ . Then for all  $\alpha \in \Delta, X - A_{\alpha}$  is q- $\mathcal{N}$ -open. Since  $\alpha \in \Delta \bigcap A_{\alpha} = X - \alpha \in \Delta \bigcup (X - A_{\alpha})$  and by part (e),  $\alpha \in \Delta \bigcup (X - A_{\alpha}) \in q$ - $\mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ , then  $\alpha \in \Delta \bigcap A_{\alpha}$  is q- $\mathcal{N}$ -closed.

(g) Follows from the definitions and Theorem 2.8.

The inclusion in part (a) of Theorem 2.15 cannot be replaced by equality, in general as the following example shows:

**Example 2.16.** Consider the bitopological space  $(\mathbf{R}, \tau_{lr}, \tau_{rr})$  and let  $A = (-\infty, 0) \cup (1, \infty)$ . Then  $A \in q$ - $\mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ , but  $A \notin u$ - $\mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ .

The following example shows that the inclusion in Theorem 2.15 (b) cannot be replaced by equality, in general.

**Example 2.17.** Consider the bitopological space  $(\mathbf{R}, \tau_{lr}, \tau_{rr})$  and let  $A = (-\infty, 1) - \{0\}$ . Then  $A \in q$ - $\mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma) - q(\tau, \sigma)$ .

The following example shows that the inclusion in Theorem 2.15 (c) cannot be replaced by equality, in general.

**Example 2.18.** Consider the bitopological space  $(\mathbf{R}, \tau_{lr}, \tau_{rr})$  and let A = (0, 2). Then  $A \in \langle \tau_{lr}, \tau_{rr} \rangle \subseteq \langle \tau_{lr}, \tau_{rr} \rangle_{\mathcal{N}}$ , but  $A \notin q - \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ .

The next example shows that the intersection of two q- $\mathcal{N}$ -open sets is not q- $\mathcal{N}$ -open in general. Therefore, the family of all q- $\mathcal{N}$ -open sets of a bitopological space  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  does not form a topological space, in general.

**Example 2.19.** Consider the bitopological space  $(\mathbf{R}, \tau_{lr}, \tau_{rr})$ . Let  $A = (-\infty, 2)$  and  $B = (0, \infty)$ . Then A and B are q- $\mathcal{N}$ -open sets in  $(\mathbf{R}, \tau_{lr}, \tau_{rr})$ , but  $A \cap B = (0, 2) \notin q$ - $\mathcal{N}(\tau_{lr}, \tau_{rr})$ .

**Theorem 2.20.** [1] Let  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  be a bitopological space. Then  $q(\tau, \sigma)$  forms a topology on X if and only if  $q(\tau, \sigma) = \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle$ .

**Theorem 2.21.** Let  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  be a bitopological space. Then q- $\mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$  is a topology on X if and only if q- $\mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma) = \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle_{\mathcal{N}}$ .

**Proof.** Necessity. Suppose that  $q \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$  is a topology on X. By Theorem 2.15 (c), we need only to show that  $\langle \tau, \sigma \rangle_{\mathcal{N}} \subseteq q \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ . Let  $A \in \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle_{\mathcal{N}}$  and let  $x \in A$ . Then there exists  $U_x \in \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle$  and a finite set  $F_x \subseteq X$  such that  $x \in U_x - F_x \subseteq A$ . Since  $x \in U_x \in \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle$ , by Proposition 2.2 there exist  $H_x \in \tau$ , and  $G_x \in \sigma$  such that  $x \in H_x \cap G_x \subseteq A$ . Since  $q \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$  is a topology on X,  $H_x \in \tau \subseteq q \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$  and  $G_x \in \sigma \subseteq q \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ , then  $H_x \cap G_x \in q \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$  and so  $(H_x \cap G_x) - F_x \in q \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ . By Theorem 2.15 (e), it follows that

$$A = \cup \{ (H_x \cap G_x) - F_x : x \in A \}$$

is q- $\mathcal{N}$ -open.

Sufficieny. Follows because  $\langle \tau, \sigma \rangle_{\mathcal{N}}$  is a topology on X.

#### 3. Compactness

**Definition 3.1.** A cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of the bitopological space  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  is called:

(a) [8]  $\tau \sigma$ -open if  $\mathcal{U} \subseteq u(\tau, \sigma)$ .

(b) [17] *p*-open if it is  $\tau\sigma$ -open, and  $\mathcal{U}$  contains at least one nonempty member of  $\tau$  and at least one nonempty member of  $\sigma$ .

**Definition 3.2.** [5] A bitopological space  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  is called:

- (a) s-compact if every  $\tau\sigma$ -open cover of  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  has a finite subcover.
- (b) *p*-compact if every *p*-open cover of  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  has a finite subcover.

**Theorem3.3.** Let  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  be a bitopological space and let  $\mathcal{A} = \{W - F : W \in u(\tau, \sigma) \text{ and } F \subseteq X \text{ is a finite set} \}$ . Then  $(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}})$  is s-compact if and only if every cover of X consists of elements of  $\mathcal{A}$  has a finite subcover.

**Proof.** Necessity. Suppose  $(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}})$  is s-compact and let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a cover of X with  $\mathcal{H} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$ . Since  $\mathcal{H} \subseteq \mathcal{A} \subseteq \tau_{\mathcal{N}} \cup \sigma_{\mathcal{N}}$ , then  $\mathcal{H}$  is a  $\tau_{\mathcal{N}}\sigma_{\mathcal{N}}$ -open cover of  $(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}})$ . Since  $(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}})$  is s-compact, there exists a finite family of elements of  $\mathcal{H}$  covers X.

Sufficiency. Let  $\mathcal{H} = \{H_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  be a  $\tau_{\mathcal{N}} \sigma_{\mathcal{N}}$ -open cover of  $(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}})$ . Then, for each  $\alpha \in \Delta$ ,  $H_{\alpha} \in u(\tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}})$  and  $H_{\alpha} \in \tau_{\mathcal{N}} \cup \sigma_{\mathcal{N}}$ . Hence  $H_{\alpha} \in \tau_{\mathcal{N}}$ or  $H_{\alpha} \in \sigma_{\mathcal{N}}$ . Therefore, there exist  $C_{\alpha} \in u(\tau, \sigma)$  and a finite set  $F_{\alpha}$  such that  $H_{\alpha} = C_{\alpha} - F_{\alpha}$ . Hence  $H_{\alpha} \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{H} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$ . By assumption,  $\mathcal{H}$  has a finite subcover. Therefore,  $(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}})$  is *s*-compact.

**Theorem 3.4.** For a bitopological space  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$ , the following are equivalent:

- (a)  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  is s-compact.
- (b)  $(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}})$  is s-compact.
- (c) Each cover of X of elements of q- $\mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ , has a finite subcover.
- (d) Each cover of X of elements of  $q(\tau, \sigma)$ , has a finite subcover.

**Proof.** (a)  $\Longrightarrow$  (b): Suppose  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  is s-compact. We will apply Theorem 3.3. Let  $\mathcal{A} = \{W - F : W \in u(\tau, \sigma) \text{ and } F \subseteq X \text{ is a finite set}\}$  and let  $\mathcal{H} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  be a cover of X, say  $\mathcal{H} = \{W_{\alpha} - F_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta, \text{ where } W_{\alpha} \in u(\tau, \sigma) \text{ and } F_{\alpha} \subseteq X \text{ is a finite set}\}$ . Note that  $\alpha \in \Delta \bigcup W_{\alpha} = X$ . Then by (a), there exists a finite set  $\Delta' \subseteq \Delta$  such that  $\{W_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta'\}$  covers X. Put  $G = \alpha \in \Delta' \bigcup F_{\alpha}$  and for each  $x \in G$ , choose  $\alpha_x \in \Delta$  such that  $x \in (W_{\alpha_x} - F_{\alpha_x})$ . Thus,  $\{W_{\alpha} - F_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta'\} \cup \{W_{\alpha_x} - F_{\alpha_x} : x \in G\}$  is a finite subcover of  $\mathcal{H}$ .

(b)  $\Longrightarrow$  (c): Suppose  $(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}})$  is s-compact. Let  $\mathcal{H} = \{H_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  be a cover of X consists of elements of q- $\mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ . For each  $\alpha \in \Delta$ , there exist  $A_{\alpha} \in \tau_{\mathcal{N}}$  and  $B_{\alpha} \in \sigma_{\mathcal{N}}$  such that  $H_{\alpha} = A_{\alpha} \cup B_{\alpha}$ . Since  $\{A_{\alpha} \cup B_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  covers X and  $\{A_{\alpha}, B_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta\} \subseteq u(\tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}})$ , then by (b), there exists a finite set  $\Delta' \subseteq \Delta$  such that  $\{A_{\alpha}, B_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta'\}$  covers X. It follows that  $\{H_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta'\}$  is a finite subcover of  $\mathcal{H}$ .

(c)  $\Longrightarrow$  (d): Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a cover of X with  $\mathcal{H} \subseteq q(\tau, \sigma)$ . Since  $q(\tau, \sigma) \subseteq q$ - $\mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ , then  $\mathcal{H} \subseteq q$ - $\mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ . Therefore, by (c)  $\mathcal{H}$  has a finite subcover.

(d)  $\implies$  (a): Since  $u(\tau, \sigma) \subseteq q(\tau, \sigma)$ , then by (d) every cover cover of X with elements of  $u(\tau, \sigma)$  has a finite subcover. It follows that  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  is s-compact.

**Theorem 3.5.** For a bitopological space  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$ , the following are equivalent:

- (a)  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  is *p*-compact.
- (b)  $(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}})$  is *p*-compact.

**Proof.** (a)  $\Longrightarrow$  (b): Let  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  be *p*-compact. Let  $\mathcal{H} = \{H_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  be a *p*-open cover of  $(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}})$ . Choose  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \Delta$  such that  $H_{\alpha_1} \in \tau_{\mathcal{N}} - \{\emptyset\}$ and  $W_{\alpha_2} \in \sigma_{\mathcal{N}} - \{\emptyset\}$ . For each  $\alpha \in \Delta$ , there exists an indexed set  $\omega_{\alpha}$  such that  $H_{\alpha} = \beta \in \omega_{\alpha} \bigcup (V_{\beta} - F_{\beta})$  where  $\{F_{\beta} : \beta \in \omega_{\alpha} \subseteq \sigma$ . For every i = 1, 2, choose  $\beta_i \in \omega_{\alpha_i}$  such that  $V_{\beta_1} \in \tau - \{\emptyset\}, V_{\beta_2} \in \sigma - \{\emptyset\}$ . Thus,  $\{V_{\beta} : \beta \in \omega_{\beta_1} \in \sigma\}$   $\alpha \in \Delta \bigcup \omega_{\alpha}$  is a *p*-open cover of  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$ . Since  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  is *p*-compact, then there exists a finite set  $\Delta' \subseteq \Delta$  such that for every  $\alpha \in \Delta'$ , there exists a finite set  $\Gamma_{\alpha} \subseteq \omega_{\alpha}$  such that  $\{V_{\beta} : \beta \in \alpha \in \Delta' \bigcup \Gamma_{\alpha}\}$  covers *X*. Take  $G = \bigcup \{F_{\beta} : \beta \in \alpha \in \Delta' \bigcup \Gamma_{\alpha}\}$ . Then *G* is finite and  $\{V_{\beta} - F_{\beta} : \beta \in \alpha \in \Delta' \bigcup \Gamma_{\alpha}\}$ is a cover of X - G. For each  $x \in G$ , choose  $\alpha_x \in \Delta$  such that  $x \in H_{\alpha_x}$ . Thus,  $\{H_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta'\} \cup \{H_{\alpha_x} : x \in G\}$  is a finite subcover of  $\mathcal{H}$ .

(b)  $\Longrightarrow$  (a): Let  $(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}})$  be *p*-compact. Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a *p*-open cover of  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$ . Then  $\mathcal{H}$  is a *p*-open cover of  $(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}}, \sigma_{\mathcal{N}})$  and hence it has a finite subcover.

Recall that a subset A of a bitopological space  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  is called an scompact subset of  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  if every  $\tau\sigma$ -open cover of A has a finite subcover.

**Theorem 3.6.** Let  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  be an *s*-compact bitopological space and *A* be a *q*- $\mathcal{N}$ -closed subset in  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$ . Then *A* is an *s*-compact subset of  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  be s-compact. Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a  $\tau\sigma$ -open cover of A and so  $\mathcal{H} \subseteq q \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ . Note that  $X - A \in q \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$  and so there are  $B \in \tau$ and  $C \in \sigma$  such that  $X - A = B \cup C$ . Thus  $\mathcal{H} \cup \{X - A\}$  is a cover of Xconsists of elements of  $q \cdot \mathcal{N}(\tau, \sigma)$ . Since  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  is s-compact, by Theorem 3.4,  $\mathcal{H} \cup \{X - A\}$  has a finite subcover  $\mathcal{M}$ . Let  $\mathcal{M}_1 = \mathcal{M} - \{X - A\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{M}_1$  is finite,  $\mathcal{M}_1 \subseteq \mathcal{H}$ , and  $\mathcal{M}_1$  covers A. It follows that A is an s-compact subset of  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$ .

**Corollary 3.7.** Let  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$  be *s*-compact and  $A \subseteq X$ . If A is *u*- $\mathcal{N}$ -closed subset in  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$ , then A is an *s*-compact subset of  $(X, \tau, \sigma)$ .

**Proof.** Follows from Theorem 3.6.

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