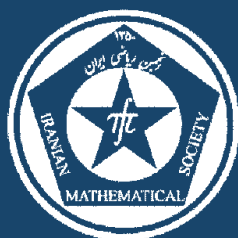


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## A NOTE ON VOLTERRA AND BAIRE SPACES

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**ABSTRACT.** In Proposition 2.6 in (G. Gruenhagen, A. Lutzer, Baire and Volterra spaces, *Proc. Amer. Math. Soc.* 128 (2000), no. 10, 3115–3124) a condition that every point of  $D$  is  $G_\delta$  in  $X$  was overlooked. So we proved some conditions by which a Baire space is equivalent to a Volterra space. In this note we show that if  $X$  is a monotonically normal  $T_1$ -space with countable pseudocharacter and  $X$  has a  $\sigma$ -discrete dense subspace  $D$ , then  $X$  is a Baire space if and only if  $X$  is Volterra. We show that if  $X$  is a metacompact normal sequential  $T_1$ -space and  $X$  has a  $\sigma$ -closed discrete dense subset, then  $X$  is a Baire space if and only if  $X$  is Volterra. If  $X$  is a generalized ordered (GO) space and has a  $\sigma$ -closed discrete dense subset, then  $X$  is a Baire space if and only if  $X$  is Volterra. And also some known results are generalized.

**Keywords:** Volterra space, Baire space, monotonically normal, metacompact.

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### 1. Introduction

Recall that a topological space  $X$  is a *Baire space* if the intersection of any sequence of dense open subsets of  $X$  is dense. It follows immediately that the intersection of countably many dense  $G_\delta$ -subsets of a Baire space  $X$  must be dense in  $X$ . It is well known that any Čech-complete space is a Baire space. A weaker condition is that the intersection of any two dense  $G_\delta$ -sets of  $X$  must be dense in  $X$ , and that is the definition of a *Volterra space* [5]. Obviously, any Baire space is Volterra. In [4], Gruenhagen and Lutzer described broad classes of spaces for which the Baire space property is equivalent to Volterra. In [1] Cao and Junnila showed that every regular stratifiable Volterra space is Baire.

In Proposition 2.6 in [4], the authors did not notice that it was necessary to require that points of  $D$  have countable pseudocharacter in  $X$ , i.e., points of  $D$

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are  $G_\delta$  in  $X$ . If we add this requirement, then Proposition 2.6 is true and also follows from Theorem 2.12 in this note. However, parts of [4, Corollary 2.8], do not follow as claimed. In particular, one must also add that points of  $D$  are  $G_\delta$  in Corollary 2.8(d), which states that Volterra implies Baire in the class of regular metacompact sequential spaces with a  $\sigma$ -closed discrete dense subset  $D$ . In this paper we show that 2.8(d) also holds if instead of assuming points are  $G_\delta$ , we assume that the space is normal; that is to say, we prove that Volterra implies Baire in the class of normal metacompact sequential spaces with a  $\sigma$ -closed discrete dense subset. We also prove that if  $X$  is a monotonically normal  $T_1$ -space with countable pseudocharacter and a  $\sigma$ -discrete dense subset, then  $X$  is Baire if and only if  $X$  is Volterra. This has as a corollary that if  $X$  is a generalized ordered (GO) space and has a  $\sigma$ -closed discrete dense subset, then  $X$  is Baire if and only if  $X$  is Volterra.

The set of all natural numbers is denoted by  $\mathbb{N}$  and  $\omega$  is  $\mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ .

## 2. Main results

A space  $X$  is *discretely generated* [2] if for every  $A \subset X$  and  $x \in \overline{A}$  there exists a discrete subset  $D \subset A$  such that  $x \in \overline{D}$ . In [2], it was proved that every Hausdorff sequential space is discretely generated. Recall that a space  $X$  is called *sequential* if  $A \subset X$  and  $A \neq \overline{A}$  implies that there is a sequence  $\{a_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset A$  such that  $\{a_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  converges to some  $y \in \overline{A} \setminus A$ . Given a space  $X$  and  $C \subset X$ , we say that  $C$  is *strongly discrete* if there exists a disjoint family  $\{U_x : x \in C\}$  of open subsets of  $X$  such that  $x \in U_x$  for each  $x \in C$ . If  $X$  is a Hausdorff space and a sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges to a point  $x$  of  $X$ , then the set  $\{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is strongly discrete. A space  $X$  is called *strongly discretely generated* if for every  $A \subset X$  and  $x \in \overline{A}$  there exists a strongly discrete set  $D \subset A$  such that  $x \in \overline{D}$  [8]. In what follows, we show that every Hausdorff sequential space is strongly discretely generated.

**Theorem 2.1.** *A space  $X$  is strongly discretely generated if and only if  $A \subset X$  and  $A \neq \overline{A}$  implies there exists a strongly discrete subset  $D \subset A$  such that there  $\overline{D} \setminus A$  is not empty.*

*Proof.* ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Obvious.

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Let  $A \subset X$ . Denote  $B = \bigcup \{\overline{D} : D \subset A \text{ and } D \text{ is strongly discrete}\}$ . So  $A \subset B \subset \overline{A}$ . Suppose  $B$  is not closed in  $X$ ; then there exists a strongly discrete set  $C \subset B$  and a point  $y \in \overline{C} \setminus B$ . For each  $x \in C$  there is a strongly discrete set  $D_x \subset A$  such that  $x \in \overline{D_x}$ . Since the set  $C$  is strongly discrete, there is a disjoint family  $\{U_x : x \in C\}$  of open subsets of  $X$  such that  $x \in U_x$  for each  $x \in C$ . Denote  $D_x^* = D_x \cap U_x$ . If  $D = \bigcup \{D_x^* : x \in C\}$ , then  $D \subset A$  and  $D$  is strongly discrete. Since  $y \in \overline{C}$  and  $x \in \overline{D_x^*}$  for each  $x \in C$ , we know that  $y \in \overline{D}$ . Thus  $y \in B$ . This is a contradiction with  $y \notin B$ . Thus the set  $B$  is closed.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $X$  be a Hausdorff sequential space. If  $A \subset X$  and  $x \in \overline{A}$ , then there is a countable strongly discrete set  $D \subset A$  such that  $x \in \overline{D}$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $B = \bigcup\{\overline{D} : D \subset A \text{ and } D \text{ is countable strongly discrete}\}$ . By sequential property and a proof similar to Theorem 2.1, we can show that the set  $B$  is closed. Thus  $\overline{A} = B$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.3.** *Every Hausdorff sequential space is strongly discretely generated.*

Let  $X$  be a topological space and let  $Y$  be a subspace of  $X$ . If for every  $A \subset Y$  and  $x \in \overline{A} \cap Y$  there exists a strongly discrete set  $D$  of  $X$  such that  $D \subset A$  and  $x \in \overline{D}$ , then the subspace  $Y$  of  $X$  is called *strongly discretely generated in  $X$* .

**Lemma 2.4.** *Let  $X$  be a strongly discretely generated space. If  $Y \subset X$ , then  $Y$  is strongly discretely generated in  $X$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $A \subset Y$  and  $x \in \overline{A} \cap Y$ . Since  $X$  is strongly discretely generated, there is a strongly discrete set  $D$  of  $X$  such that  $D \subset A$  and  $x \in \overline{D}$ . Thus  $Y$  is strongly discretely generated in  $X$ .  $\square$

By Corollary 2.3 and Lemma 2.4, we have

**Corollary 2.5.** *Every subspace of a Hausdorff sequential space  $X$  is strongly discretely generated in  $X$ .*

**Corollary 2.6.** *If a subspace  $D$  of a topological space  $X$  is homeomorphic to a subspace of a Hausdorff sequential space  $Y$ , then  $D$  is strongly discretely generated.*

Since every strongly discrete set  $A$  of a dense subspace  $D$  of a space  $X$  is strongly discrete in  $X$ , we have

**Proposition 2.7.** *If a dense subspace  $D$  of a topological space  $X$  is strongly discretely generated, then  $D$  is strongly discretely generated in  $X$ .*

**Lemma 2.8.** *[4, Lemma 2.3], Suppose  $\mathcal{U}$  is a point-finite collection of open subsets of  $X$  and that for each  $U \in \mathcal{U}$  we have a  $G_\delta$ -subset  $G(U) \subset U$ . Then  $S = \bigcup\{G(U) : U \in \mathcal{U}\}$  is a  $G_\delta$ -subset of  $X$ .*

By a similar proof with Lemma 2.4 of [4], we have

**Theorem 2.9.** *Suppose  $X$  is a  $T_1$ -space and  $X$  has a dense subspace  $D = \bigcup\{D_n : n \geq 1\}$  satisfying:*

- (a) *Every point of  $D$  is  $G_\delta$  in  $X$ ;*
- (b)  *$D$  is strongly discretely generated in  $X$ ;*
- (c) *for each  $n \geq 1$  there is a collection  $\{V(d, n) : d \in D_n\}$  of open subsets of  $X$  that is point-finite in  $X$  and has  $\{d\} = V(d, n) \cap D_n$  for each  $d \in D_n$ .*

*If  $X$  is of the first category in itself, then  $D$  contains a subspace  $E$  that is dense in  $X$  and is a  $G_\delta$ -subset of  $X$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $X$  is a first category space, there is a sequence  $\{G_n : n \geq 1\}$  of dense open subsets of  $X$  such that  $\bigcap\{G_n : n \geq 1\} = \emptyset$ . We may assume  $G_{n+1} \subset G_n$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $X$  has no isolated point, so neither does the set  $D$ . Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . For each  $d \in D_n$ , the set  $V(d, n) \cap G_n \cap D$  is dense in  $V(d, n)$ . Thus  $d \in \overline{(V(d, n) \cap G_n \cap D) \setminus \{d\}}$ . So there is a strongly discrete set  $M(d, n) \subset (V(d, n) \cap G_n \cap D) \setminus \{d\}$  such that  $d \in \overline{M(d, n)}$ . Since every point of  $D$  is  $G_\delta$  in  $X$  and  $M(d, n)$  is strongly discrete, the set  $M(d, n)$  is a  $G_\delta$ -set in  $X$  by Lemma 2.8.

Since  $\{V(d, n) : d \in D_n\}$  is point-finite, the set  $\bigcup\{M(d, n) : d \in D_n\} = K_n$  is a  $G_\delta$ -set in  $X$  and  $K_n \subset G_n$ . Since  $\bigcap\{G_n : n \geq 1\} = \emptyset$ , the family  $\{G_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is point-finite, the set  $E = \bigcup\{K_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a  $G_\delta$ -set of  $X$  and  $E \subset D$ . If  $O$  is any non-empty open subset of  $X$ , then there is some  $d \in D_n$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $d \in O$ . So  $O \cap M(d, n) \neq \emptyset$ . Thus  $O \cap E \neq \emptyset$ . Thus the set  $E$  is dense in  $X$ .  $\square$

By Corollary 2.6 and Theorem 2.9, we can get Proposition 2.6 of [4].

Recall from [6] that a space  $X$  is *resolvable* if  $X$  contains two disjoint dense subsets.

**Lemma 2.10.** ([9]) *Any dense-in-itself subspace of a Hausdorff sequential space is resolvable.*

**Theorem 2.11.** *Suppose  $X$  is a  $T_1$ -space and  $X$  has a dense subspace  $D = \bigcup\{D_n : n \geq 1\}$  satisfying:*

- (a) *Every dense-in-itself open subspace  $M$  of  $D$  is resolvable;*
- (b)  *$D$  is strongly discretely generated;*
- (c) *Every point of  $D$  is  $G_\delta$  in  $X$ ;*
- (d) *for each  $n \geq 1$  there is a collection  $\{V(d, n) : d \in D_n\}$  of open subsets of  $X$  that is point-finite in  $X$  and has  $\{d\} = V(d, n) \cap D_n$  for each  $d \in D_n$ .*

*Then  $X$  is a Baire space if and only if  $X$  is Volterra.*

*Proof.* We just need to prove that  $X$  is a Baire space if  $X$  is Volterra. Suppose  $X$  is not a Baire space. There is a sequence  $\{G_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  of dense open subsets of  $X$  such that  $\bigcap\{G_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is not dense in  $X$ . There is a non-empty open subset  $Y$  of  $X$  such that  $Y \cap (\bigcap\{G_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}) = \emptyset$ . The set  $D \cap Y$  is dense in  $Y$  and satisfying (a), (b), (c) and (d). So we assume that  $Y = X$ . Hence  $X$  is the first category and  $X$  is dense-in-itself. Thus the set  $D$  is also dense-in-itself. There are two dense subset  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  of  $D$  such that  $M_1 \cap M_2 = \emptyset$  by (a). By Lemma 2.4 we know that  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are strongly discretely generated in  $D$ . By Proposition 2.7 we know that  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are strongly discretely generated in  $X$ . So  $M_i$  contains a subspace  $E_i$  that is dense in  $X$  and is a  $G_\delta$ -set of  $X$  by Theorem 2.9 for  $i = 1, 2$ . So  $E_1 \cap E_2 = \emptyset$ . This contradicts that  $X$  is a Volterra space.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.12.** *Suppose  $X$  is a  $T_1$ -space and  $X$  has a dense subspace  $D = \bigcup\{D_n : n \geq 1\}$  satisfying:*

- (a)  $D$  is homeomorphic to a subspace of a Hausdorff sequential space  $Y$ ;
- (b) Every point of  $D$  is  $G_\delta$  in  $X$ ;
- (c) for each  $n \geq 1$  there is a collection  $\{V(d, n) : d \in D_n\}$  of open subsets of  $X$  that is point-finite in  $X$  and has  $V(d, n) \cap D_n = \{d\}$  for each  $d \in D_n$ .

*Then  $X$  is a Baire space if and only if  $X$  is Volterra.*

*Proof.* Since every dense-in-itself open subspace  $M$  of  $D$  is also homeomorphic to a subspace of  $Y$ . Thus  $M$  is resolvable by Lemma 2.10. By Corollary 2.6 we know that the set  $D$  is strongly discretely generated. So  $X$  is a Baire space if and only if  $X$  is Volterra by Theorem 2.11.  $\square$

Proposition 2.6 of [4] with the  $G_\delta$  condition added is the same as Theorem 2.12, except that Theorem 2.12 assumes only  $T_1$  instead of regular.

A space  $X$  is said to be *monotonically normal* [7] if there is a function  $G$  which assigns to each ordered pair  $(H, K)$  of disjoint closed subsets of  $X$  an open set  $G(H, K)$  such that

- (1)  $H \subset G(H, K) \subset \overline{G(H, K)} \subset X \setminus K$ ;
- (2) if  $(H', K')$  is a pair of disjoint closed subsets having  $H \subset H'$  and  $K \supset K'$ , then  $G(H, K) \subset G(H', K')$ .

Recall that every generalized ordered (GO) space is monotonically normal.

**Lemma 2.13.** (*[1, Lemma 2.3]*) *Every dense-in-itself monotonically normal Hausdorff space is resolvable.*

**Lemma 2.14.** (*[3, Theorem 5.18 and Theorem 5.20]*) *Every monotonically normal Hausdorff space is collectionwise normal and every subspace of a monotonically normal space is monotonically normal.*

The Hausdorff property in Lemma 2.14 can be replaced by  $T_1$  separation axiom. In [2, Theorem 3.10], it was proved that any monotonically normal  $T_1$ -space is discretely generated. With the same proof, we can prove the following conclusion.

**Lemma 2.15.** *Every monotonically normal  $T_1$ -space is strongly discretely generated.*

**Theorem 2.16.** *Let  $X$  be a monotonically normal  $T_1$ -space with countable pseudocharacter. If  $X$  has a  $\sigma$ -discrete dense subspace  $D$  of  $X$ , then  $X$  is a Baire space if and only if  $X$  is Volterra.*

*Proof.* Let  $D = \bigcup\{D_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a  $\sigma$ -discrete dense subspace of  $X$  and let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . For each  $d \in D_n$  there is an open neighborhood  $V_d$  of  $d$  in  $X$  such that  $V_d \cap D_n = \{d\}$ . Denote  $V_n = \bigcup\{V_d : d \in D_n\}$ . Thus  $V_n$  is open in  $X$ . So  $V_n$  is monotonically normal by Lemma 2.14. Since  $D_n$  is closed discrete in  $V_n$  and  $V_n$

is collectionwise normal, there is a disjoint family  $\{V(d, n) : d \in D_n\}$  of open sets of  $X$  such that  $d \in V(d, n) \subset V_d$  for each  $d \in D_n$ . Thus  $V(d, n) \cap D_n = \{d\}$ .

Every subspace of  $X$  is monotonically normal by Lemma 2.14. Thus every dense-in-itself open subspace  $M$  of  $D$  is resolvable by Lemma 2.13. The subspace  $D$  of  $X$  is strongly discretely generated by Lemma 2.15. Thus the conditions of Theorem 2.11 are satisfied. So  $X$  is a Baire space if and only if  $X$  is Volterra.  $\square$

It is well known that a GO space with a  $\sigma$ -closed discrete dense set is first countable. So we have

**Corollary 2.17.** *Let  $X$  be a GO space. If  $X$  has a  $\sigma$ -closed discrete dense subset, then  $X$  is a Baire space if and only if  $X$  is Volterra.*

A space  $X$  is *semi-stratifiable* [3] if there is a function  $G$  which assigns to each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and closed set  $H \subset X$ , an open set  $G(n, H)$  containing  $H$  such that

- (1)  $H = \bigcap \{G(n, H) : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ ;
- (2)  $H \subset K \Rightarrow G(n, H) \subset G(n, K)$ .

If also

- (3)  $H = \bigcap \{\overline{G(n, H)} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ ,

then  $X$  is *stratifiable*.

It is easy to see from condition (3) that stratifiable spaces are regular. It is well known that every stratifiable (regular and  $T_1$ ) space is a  $\sigma$ -space (see, e.g., [3, Theorem 5.9]). So a stratifiable  $T_1$ -space has a  $\sigma$ -closed discrete dense subset. Thus we have

**Corollary 2.18.** *([1, Theorem 2.5]) Let  $X$  be a stratifiable  $T_1$ -space. Then  $X$  is a Baire space if and only if  $X$  is Volterra.*

In [4, Corollary 2.8], it is pointed out that if  $X$  is a regular metacompact sequential space that has a  $\sigma$ -closed discrete dense subset  $D$ , then  $X$  is a Baire space if and only if  $X$  is Volterra. However, this does not follow from the corrected Proposition 2.6 unless the condition that points of  $D$  are  $G_\delta$  in  $X$  is added. In fact, the conclusion (d) of Corollary 2.8 in [4] also holds if we add a condition that the space  $X$  is normal. Thus we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.19.** *Let  $X$  be a metacompact normal sequential  $T_1$ -space. If  $X$  has a  $\sigma$ -closed discrete dense subset, then  $X$  is a Baire space if and only if  $X$  is Volterra.*

*Proof.* Let  $D = \bigcup \{D_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a  $\sigma$ -closed discrete dense subspace of  $X$ . Suppose  $X$  is not a Baire space. There is a sequence  $\{G_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  of dense open subsets of  $X$  such that  $\bigcap \{G_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is not dense in  $X$ . Thus there is a non-empty open subset  $Y$  of  $X$  such that  $Y \cap (\bigcap \{G_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}) = \emptyset$ . For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $Y \cap G_n$  is dense in  $Y$ . We can assume  $Y = X$ . Thus  $\bigcap \{G_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} = \emptyset$ . So  $X$  has no isolated points. Thus the set  $D$  is dense in itself. Since  $X$  is sequential,

$D$  is resolvable by Lemma 2.10. Hence there are disjoint subsets  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  of  $D$  such that  $\overline{M_1} = \overline{M_2} = X$ .

Let  $M_1 = \bigcup\{D_n^1 : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  and  $M_2 = \bigcup\{D_n^2 : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ , where  $D_n^1 \subset D_n$  and  $D_n^2 \subset D_n$ . For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  we denote  $D_n^{1*} = D_n^1 \setminus \bigcup\{D_m^1 : m < n\}$  and  $D_1^{1*} = D_1^1$ ,  $D_n^{2*} = D_n^2 \setminus \bigcup\{D_m^2 : m < n\}$  and  $D_1^{2*} = D_1^2$ . Thus  $\mathcal{F} = \{D_n^{1*}, D_n^{2*} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a countable family of closed discrete subsets of  $X$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  is a pairwise disjoint family.

We can assume  $\mathcal{F} = \{F_i : i \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . Since  $X$  is normal and  $F_1 \cap F_2 = \emptyset$ , there are disjoint open sets  $O_{21}$  and  $O_{22}$  such that  $F_1 \subset O_{21}$ ,  $F_2 \subset O_{22}$ . Similarly, there are disjoint open sets  $O_{31}$ ,  $O_{32}$  and  $O_{33}$  such that  $F_1 \subset O_{31}$ ,  $F_2 \subset O_{32}$ ,  $F_3 \subset O_{33}$ . In this manner, we can get disjoint open sets  $O_{in}$  for each  $i \leq n$  such that  $F_i \subset O_{in}$ , where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $P_n = \bigcap\{O_{mn} : m \geq n\}$ , then  $\mathcal{U} = \{P_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a family of disjoint  $G_\delta$ -sets of  $X$  and  $F_n \subset P_n$  for each  $n$ .

We can assume  $\mathcal{U} = \{A_n, B_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  of  $G_\delta$ -sets of  $X$  and  $\mathcal{U}$  is pairwise disjoint such that  $D_n^{1*} \subset A_n$  and  $D_n^{2*} \subset B_n$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . The set  $D_n^{1*}$  is a closed discrete subset of  $X$ . For each  $d \in D_n^{1*}$  there is an open set  $O_d^1$  of  $X$  such that  $d \in O_d^1$  and  $O_d^1 \cap D_n^{1*} = \{d\}$ . If  $\mathcal{U}_n^1 = \{O_d^1 : d \in D_n^{1*}\} \cup \{X \setminus D_n^{1*}\}$ , then  $\mathcal{U}_n^1$  is an open cover of  $X$ . The space  $X$  is metacompact, so  $\mathcal{U}_n^1$  has a point-finite open refinement  $\mathcal{V}_n^1$ . For each  $d \in D_n^{1*}$ , there is some  $V_n^1(d) \in \mathcal{V}_n^1$  such that  $d \in V_n^1(d)$  and  $V_n^1(d) \cap D_n^{1*} = \{d\}$ . Denote  $\mathcal{V}_n^{1*} = \{V_n^1(d) : d \in D_n^{1*}\}$ . Thus  $\mathcal{V}_n^{1*}$  is point-finite. Similarly, we have an open family  $\mathcal{V}_n^{2*} = \{V_n^2(d) : d \in D_n^{2*}\}$  such that  $V_n^2(d) \cap D_n^{2*} = \{d\}$  and  $\mathcal{V}_n^{2*}$  is point-finite for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Since  $X$  is a sequential Hausdorff space, the space  $X$  is strongly discretely generated by Corollary 2.3. Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $d \in D_n^{1*}$ . So  $d \in V_n^1(d)$  and  $d \in \overline{V_n^1(d) \cap G_n} \setminus \{d\}$ . Since  $\{d\}$  is not open and  $\{d\}$  is closed, the set  $V_n^1(d) \cap G_n \setminus \{d\}$  is a non-empty open subset of  $X$ . Since  $\overline{M_1} = X$ , we have  $d \in \overline{(V_n^1(d) \cap G_n \setminus \{d\}) \cap M_1}$ . By strongly discretely generated property of  $X$ , there is a discrete subspace  $C_d \subset (V_n^1(d) \cap G_n \setminus \{d\}) \cap M_1$  and a pairwise disjoint open family  $\mathcal{V}_d = \{V_x : x \in C_d\}$  such that  $x \in V_x$ . We can assume that  $V_x \subset V_n^1(d) \cap G_n$ . For each  $x \in C_d$  there is some  $m_x \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $x \in D_{m_x}^{1*}$ . Let  $G_x = A_{m_x} \cap V_x$ . So  $G_x$  is a  $G_\delta$ -set of  $X$  and  $x \in G_x \subset V_x \subset G_n$ . So  $\bigcup\{G_x : x \in C_d\}$  is a  $G_\delta$ -set of  $X$  and  $C_d \subset \bigcup\{G_x : x \in C_d\}$ . Hence  $d \in \overline{\bigcup\{G_x : x \in C_d\}}$  and  $\bigcup\{G_x : x \in C_d\} \subset V_n^1(d) \cap G_n$ . The family  $\{V_n^1(d) : d \in D_n^{1*}\}$  is a point-finite family of open subsets of  $X$ . If  $K_n^1 = \bigcup\{\bigcup_{x \in C_d} G_x : d \in D_n^{1*}\}$ , then  $K_n^1$  is a  $G_\delta$ -set of  $X$  and  $K_n^1 \subset G_n$ . For each  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , we know that  $A_i \cap B_m = \emptyset$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since for each  $x \in C_d$ , the set  $G_x \subset A_i$  for some  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , we know that  $G_x \cap B_m = \emptyset$ . Thus  $K_n^1 \cap B_m = \emptyset$ . Since  $\bigcap\{G_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} = \emptyset$ , the family  $\{G_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is point-finite. Thus  $\bigcup\{K_n^1 : n \in \mathbb{N}\} = L_1$  is a  $G_\delta$ -set of  $X$  by Lemma 2.8. We know that  $L_1 \subset \bigcup\{A_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ .

Let  $p \in X$  and let  $O_p$  be any open neighborhood of  $p$  in  $X$ . There is some  $d \in M_1$  such that  $d \in O_p$ . So there is some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $d \in D_n^{1*}$ .



Since  $d \in \overline{\bigcup\{G_x : x \in C_d\}}$  and  $\bigcup\{G_x : x \in C_d\} \subset K_n^1$ , we have  $d \in \overline{K_n^1}$ . So  $O_p \cap K_n^1 \neq \emptyset$ . Thus  $O_p \cap L_1 \neq \emptyset$ . Hence  $L_1$  is a dense  $G_\delta$ -set of  $X$  and  $L_1 \cap B_m = \emptyset$  for each  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Similarly, we have a  $G_\delta$ -set  $L_2$  of  $X$  such that  $L_2$  is a dense subset of  $X$ ,  $L_2 \cap A_n = \emptyset$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $L_2 \subset \bigcup\{B_m : m \in \mathbb{N}\}$ .

So  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are two disjoint dense  $G_\delta$ -sets of  $X$ , this contradicts that  $X$  is a Volterra space. Thus  $X$  is a Baire space.  $\square$

By the proof of the above theorem, we know that the sequential property in the above theorem is just to make the space  $X$  to be strongly discretely generated and every dense-in-itself subspace of  $X$  is resolvable. The metacompact property in the above theorem is just to make every closed discrete subspace of  $X$  to be separated by a point-finite open family.

By Lemmas 2.13 and 2.14 and a proof similar to Theorem 2.19, we have

**Theorem 2.20.** *Let  $X$  be a monotonically normal  $T_1$ -space. If  $X$  has a  $\sigma$ -closed discrete dense subset, then  $X$  is a Baire space if and only if  $X$  is Volterra.*

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