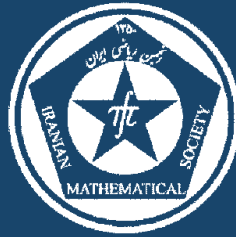


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A REMARK ON REMAINDERS OF HOMOGENEOUS SPACES IN SOME COMPACTIFICATIONS

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ABSTRACT. We prove that a remainder Y of a non-locally compact rectifiable space X is locally a p -space if and only if either X is a Lindelöf p -space or X is σ -compact, which improves two results by Arhangel'skii. We also show that if a non-locally compact rectifiable space X that is locally paracompact has a remainder Y which has locally a G_δ -diagonal, then both X and Y are separable and metrizable, which improves another Arhangel'skii's result. It is proved that if a non-locally compact paratopological group G has a locally developable remainder Y , then either G and Y are separable and metrizable, or G is a σ -compact space with a countable network, which improves a result by Wang-He.

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1. Introduction

Throughout this paper a space always means a Tychonoff topological space. A remainder of a space X is the subspace $bX \setminus X$ of a Hausdorff compactification bX of X . Remainders of topological groups and rectifiable spaces have been studied extensively in the literature (see [2–4, 6–8, 13–15]).

Recall that a topological group is a group G with a topology such that multiplication on G considered as a map of $G \times G$ to G is jointly continuous and the inversion in G is continuous. A paratopological group is a group G with a topology such that multiplication on G is jointly continuous. Clearly every topological group is a paratopological group and every paratopological group is a homogeneous space.

A space X is of countable type if every compact subspace P of X is contained in a compact subspace $F \subseteq X$ which has a countable base of open

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neighborhoods in X . All metrizable spaces, and all locally compact Hausdorff spaces, as well as all Čech-complete spaces, are of countable type.

A space X is Ohio complete [2], if in every compactification bX of X there exists a G_δ -subset $Z \subseteq bX$ such that $X \subset Z$ and every $y \in Z \setminus X$ is separated from X by a G_δ -subset of bX . According to [2], every Tychonoff space with a G_δ -diagonal and every p -space are Ohio complete.

Say that X is locally Ohio complete, if for each $x \in X$, there exists a closed neighbourhood U of x such that U is Ohio complete.

A space X is called a p -space, if in any (in some) compactification bX of X there exists a countable family $\{\gamma_n \mid n \in \omega\}$ of families γ_n of open subsets of bX such that $x \in \bigcap \{St_{\gamma_n}(x) \mid n \in \omega\} \subset X$ for each $x \in X$. It is well known that every p -space is of countable type, and every metrizable space is a p -space.

The following two results on remainders of topological spaces are well known.

Theorem 1.1. [13] *A Tychonoff space X is of countable type if and only if the remainder in any (or some) Hausdorff compactification of X is Lindelöf.*

Theorem 1.2. [2] *If X is a Lindelöf p -space, then any remainder of X is a Lindelöf p -space.*

In this paper, we mainly investigate some local properties of remainders of homogeneous spaces (rectifiable spaces, topological groups, paratopological groups). These local properties include locally Ohio complete spaces, local p -spaces and spaces with locally G_δ -diagonal.

In [2, Theorem 4.5] ([7, Theorem 3.8]), Arhangel'skii proved that a remainder Y of a non-locally compact topological group (rectifiable space) G is a p -space if and only if either G is a Lindelöf p -space or G is σ -compact.

We will show that a stronger result holds for rectifiable spaces, i.e., we prove that:

- A remainder Y of a non-locally compact rectifiable space X is locally a p -space if and only if either G is a Lindelöf p -space or G is σ -compact.

In [7, Theorem 3.9], Arhangel'skii proved that if a non-locally compact paracompact rectifiable space X has a remainder Y with a G_δ -diagonal, then both X and Y are separable and metrizable. In this paper, we will prove the following strengthened result:

- If a non-locally compact locally paracompact rectifiable space X has a remainder Y with locally a G_δ -diagonal, then both X and Y are separable and metrizable.

Some other results obtained in this paper on remainders are as follows .

- Let X be a homogeneous space with a compactification bX such that the remainder $Y = bX \setminus X$ is locally Ohio complete. Then at least one of the following conditions holds:
 - (1) X is of point-countable type;

- (2) X is locally σ -compact.
- Let G be a topological group of countable cellularity and let bG be a compactification of G . Then the following conditions are equivalent:
 - (1) $Y = bG \setminus G$ is locally Ohio complete;
 - (2) G is a Lindelöf p -space, or σ -compact.
 - Suppose that X and Y are rectifiable spaces. If X is a p -space r -equivalent to Y , then Y is a p -space.
 - If bX is a compactification of a p -space X with no isolated points, then the cellularity of $Y = bX \setminus X$ is greater than ω .
 - Suppose that bX is a compactification of a topological p -group X . If X is non-discrete, then $bX \setminus X$ is pseudocompact and $bX \setminus X$ is compact if X is discrete.

We will denote $c(X)$ the cellularity or Souslin number of a space X . \overline{A}^X and $\text{int}_X A$ stand for the closure and the interior of A in X respectively. For other terms and symbols we refer to [10].

2. Main results

Firstly we consider the conditions of a homogeneous space with a remainder that is locally Ohio complete.

Theorem 2.1. *Let X be a homogeneous space with a compactification bX such that the remainder $Y = bX \setminus X$ is locally Ohio complete. Then at least one of the following conditions holds:*

- (1) X is of point-countable type;
- (2) X is locally σ -compact.

Proof. If X is locally compact, then X is of countable type.

If X is non-locally compact, then X is nowhere locally compact since X is a homogeneous space, which implies that $Y = bX \setminus X$ is dense in bX . Hence, bX is also a compactification of $bX \setminus X$. Since Y is locally Ohio complete, we can fix an open subset O of Y such that $F = \overline{O}^Y$ is an Ohio complete space. Put $K = \overline{O}^{bX}$. Then there exists a G_δ -set Z of K such that: (a) $F \subset Z$; (b) for each $x \in Z \setminus F$, there is a G_δ -set P of K such that $x \in P$ and $P \cap F = \emptyset$. We consider the following two cases:

(1) $Z = F$. Then $K \setminus F$ is a σ -compact subset of K . Since $K \setminus F \subset X$, $K \setminus F$ is a σ -compact subset of X . Observe that $\text{int}_X(K \setminus F) \neq \emptyset$. Therefore it follows from X being homogeneous that X is locally σ -compact.

(2) $Z \setminus F \neq \emptyset$. Notice that $U = \text{int}_X(K \setminus F)$ is a dense subset of K . Now we consider the next two subcases:

(2a) $Z \cap U = \emptyset$, i.e., $U \subset (K \setminus Z)$. Since $K \setminus Z$ is a σ -compact subset of X , it follows from the regularity of X that U is locally σ -compact. Therefore X is locally σ -compact.

(2b) $Z \cap U \neq \emptyset$. Fix a point $x \in Z \cap U$. Then there is a G_δ -set P of K such that $x \in P \subset Z \setminus F$. Take a sequence $\{P_n : n \in \omega\}$ of open subsets of K such that $P = \bigcap \{P_n : n \in \omega\}$. Fix a sequence $\{W_n : n \in \omega\}$ of open neighbourhoods of x in bX such that $W_0 \subset K$ and $\overline{W_{n+1}}^{bX} \subset W_n \cap P_n$ for each $n \in \omega$. It is easy to see that $\bigcap \{W_n : n \in \omega\}$, contained in X , is a compact subset of bX and $\{W_n : n \in \omega\}$ is a base of $\bigcap \{W_n : n \in \omega\}$ in bX . Hence, $\bigcap \{W_n : n \in \omega\}$ has a countable outer base in X . Since X is a homogeneous space, X is of point-countable type. \square

Corollary 2.2. *Assume that X is homogeneous space with locally a G_δ -diagonal. If X has a compactification bX such that $Y = bX \setminus X$ is locally Ohio complete, then at least one of the following conditions holds:*

- (1) X is first-countable;
- (2) X has a locally countable network.

Proof. By Theorem 2.1, we need to consider the following two cases.

Case 1: X is of point-countable type. Since X has locally a G_δ -diagonal, the pseudocharacter of X is countable. Then it follows that X is first-countable.

Case 2: X is locally σ -compact. By [10], every compact space with a G_δ -diagonal has a countable base. It follows that a compact space with locally a G_δ -diagonal has a countable base. Since X is locally σ -compact and has locally a G_δ -diagonal, X has a locally countable network. \square

Since every topological group of point-countable type is a paracompact p -space [5, Theorem 4.3.35] and each paratopological group of point-countable type is of countable type [7], by Theorem 2.1, the following result is obvious.

Corollary 2.3. *Suppose that X is a paratopological group (or a topological group). If bX is a compactification of X such that $Y = bX \setminus X$ is locally Ohio complete, then at least one of the following conditions holds:*

- (1) X is of countable type (or a paracompact p -space);
- (2) X is locally σ -compact.

The next result is about a topological group with a remainder that is locally Ohio complete.

Theorem 2.4. *Let G be a topological group of countable cellularity and let bG be a compactification of G . Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1) $Y = bG \setminus G$ is locally Ohio complete;
- (2) G is either a Lindelöf p -space, or σ -compact.

Proof. We consider two cases.

Case 1: G is locally compact. Since G is dense in bG , it follows that G is an open subset of bG . Hence Y is compact, which implies that Y is locally Ohio complete. Since G is a locally compact topological group, it follows that

G is a paracompact p -space. Noticing that G has countable cellularity one can conclude that G is a Lindelöf p -space.

Case 2: G is non-locally compact. Then G is nowhere locally compact since G is a homogeneous space.

(2) \Rightarrow (1): If G is a Lindelöf p -space, then Y is a Lindelöf p -space by Theorem 1.2. Since every closed subspace of a p -space is also a p -space and every p -space is Ohio complete [2], it follows that Y is locally Ohio complete. If G is σ -compact, then Y is Čech-complete, which implies that Y is locally Čech-complete. Therefore Y is locally Ohio complete.

(1) \Rightarrow (2): Since Y is locally Ohio complete, by Corollary 2.3, G is a paracompact p -space or locally σ -compact. If G is a paracompact p -space, then G is a Lindelöf p -space by $c(G) = \omega$. If G is locally σ -compact, we can take an open subset O of G such that $F = \overline{O}^G$ is σ -compact. Let H denote the subgroup of G generated by F . Then H is σ -compact. By [5, Corollary 1.3.3], H is an open subgroup G . Thus, all left cosets of H in G form a cover of G consisting of disjoint open subsets of G . By $c(G) = \omega$, the family $\{xH : x \in G\}$ is countable. Since each xH is homeomorphic to H , it follows that G is σ -compact. \square

Corollary 2.5. *Suppose that G is a hereditarily separable topological group, and bG is a compactification of G such that $Y = bG \setminus G$ is locally Ohio complete. Then G is either σ -compact, or has a countable base.*

Proof. From the condition that G is separable we know that G has countable cellularity. By Theorem 2.4, G is either a Lindelöf p -space, or σ -compact. Assume that G is a Lindelöf p -space. Then G is of countable type. Fix a compact subspace K of G that has a countable outer base in G . Since K is hereditarily separable, K has countable tightness. By [17], every compact space of countable tightness has countable π -character, which implies that K has countable π -character. Noticing that K has a countable outer base in G , one can conclude that G has a countable π -base at each point of K . Since G is a homogeneous space, it follows that G has countable π -character. This implies that G has countable character by [5, Proposition 5.2.6]. Since G is a topological group, it follows from [5, Theorem 3.3.12] that G is metrizable. Now the separability of G guarantees that G has a countable base. \square

Let X be a Tychonoff space. It is well known that the function space $C_p(X)$ with the topology of pointwise convergence is a topological group. Now we investigate conditions such that the remainder of the topological group $C_p(X)$ is Ohio complete.

Theorem 2.6. *For an arbitrary infinite Tychonoff space X , let bG be a compactification of the topological group $G = C_p(X)$ and $Y = bG \setminus G$, where $G = C_p(X)$ has the topology of pointwise convergence. Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1) Y is Ohio complete;
- (2) Y is a p -space;
- (3) Y is locally a p -space;
- (4) Y is a Lindelöf p -space;
- (5) $|X| = \omega$.

Proof. Since $G = C_p(X)$ is dense in R^X , it follows from X being infinite that G is not locally compact. Since G is a homogeneous space, G is nowhere locally compact, which implies that Y is dense in bG . Clearly, the cellularity of $G = C_p(X)$ is countable since $G = C_p(X)$ is dense in R^X whose cellularity is countable.

(2) \Rightarrow (3) is obvious since the p -property is hereditary to every closed subspace.

(3) \Rightarrow (4). Since G is a topological group, it follows from Theorem 2.4 that G is either a Lindelöf p -space or a σ -compact space. If $G = C_p(X)$ is σ -compact, X is finite by [1, I.2.4], which is a contradiction.

(4) \Rightarrow (5). Since Y is Lindelöf, $G = C_p(X)$ is of countable type by Theorem 1.1. By [1, I.3.2], X is countable.

(5) \Rightarrow (1). From the condition that X is countable we know that G is separable and metrizable. Hence, Y is a Lindelöf p -space by Theorem 1.2, which implies that Y is Ohio complete.

(1) \Rightarrow (2). Similarly as in (3) \Rightarrow (4), the group G is a Lindelöf p -space. Therefore, Y is a Lindelöf p -space by Theorem 1.2. \square

In [18], a paratopological group with developable remainders was studied. The following result improves [18, Theorem 3.2].

Theorem 2.7. *Assume that G is a non-locally compact paratopological group with a compactification bG such that $Y = bG \setminus G$ is locally developable. Then at least one of the following conditions holds:*

- (1) both G and Y are separable and metrizable;
- (2) G is a σ -compact space with a countable network.

Proof. Since every developable space is a p -space, Y is locally Ohio complete. By Corollary 2.3, G is either of countable type or locally σ -compact.

Case 1: G is of countable type. By Theorem 1.1, Y is a Lindelöf space. Then, from the condition that Y is locally developable, one can conclude that Y has a countable base. Thus G is a Lindelöf p -space by Theorem 1.2. Let $\mathcal{B}_1 = \{B_n : n \in \omega\}$ be a countable base of Y , and fix a sequence $\mathcal{B} = \{O_n : O_n \cap Y = B_n, n \in \omega\}$ consisting of open subsets of bG . Put $\mathcal{B}_2 = \{O_n \cap G : O_n \in \mathcal{B}\}$. Since both G and Y are dense in bG , it follows that \mathcal{B}_2 is a countable π -base of G . Particularly, G has countable π -character. Then G has a G_δ -diagonal by [5, Corollary 5.7.5]. Since G is a Lindelöf p -space with a G_δ -diagonal, G is separable and metrizable.

Case 2: G is locally σ -compact. Since Y is locally developable, it is locally of countable type. By [18, Lemma 2.2], every space that is locally of countable type is of countable type. Therefore Y is of countable type, hence G is a Lindelöf space by Theorem 1.1. Then G is σ -compact by the condition that G is locally σ -compact. Hence Y is Čech-complete. By [16], each Čech-complete space contains a dense subspace which is paracompact and Čech-complete. Let Z be such a dense subspace of Y . According to [5, Corollary 5.7.12], every σ -compact paratopological group has countable cellularity, so $c(G) = \omega$. Since both G and Z are dense in bG , it follows that $c(Z) = \omega$. Therefore Z is a Lindelöf p -space. Since every developable space has a G_δ -diagonal, the space Y must have a G_δ -diagonal. Hence Z has a G_δ -diagonal. Then it follows that Z has a countable base. Since both G and Z are dense in bG , G has a countable π -base. By Corollary 5.7.5 in [5], G has a G_δ -diagonal. Then from the condition that G is σ -compact we can conclude that G has a countable network. \square

Corollary 2.8. *Let G be a non-locally compact paratopological group with a compactification bG such that $Y = bG \setminus G$ is locally metrizable. Then bG is separable and metrizable.*

Proof. By Theorem 2.7, we consider two cases.

(1) Both G and Y are separable and metrizable. In this case, bG is a compact space with a countable network. Therefore, bG is separable and metrizable.

(2) G is a σ -compact space with a countable network. It follows that the cellularities of G and Y are countable. Then Y is locally separable by the condition that Y is locally metrizable. It follows from Theorem 1.2 and the homogeneity of G that G is locally a Lindelöf p -space. Since G has a countable network, it has a G_δ -diagonal. Therefore G has locally a countable base. Then the Lindelöfness of G shows that G has a countable base. It follows that Y is a Lindelöf p -space. Since Y is also locally developable, it has a countable base. Therefore bG is separable and metrizable. \square

Theorem 2.10 below generalizes the result of Arhangel'skii and Choban proved in [7, Theorem 3.9]. At first we recall a proposition in [18].

Lemma 2.9. [18] *Suppose that X is a nowhere locally compact space with locally a G_δ -diagonal, and Y is a remainder of X in some compactification bX such that Y is a paracompact p -space. Then $w(X) = \omega$.*

Theorem 2.10. *Suppose that X is a non-locally compact locally paracompact rectifiable space and bX is a compactification of X . If $Y = bX \setminus X$ has locally a G_δ -diagonal, then X and Y are separable and metrizable.*

Proof. By [2], every space with a G_δ -diagonal is Ohio complete, hence Y is locally Ohio complete. Since each rectifiable space is homogeneous, X is of point-countable type or locally σ -compact by Theorem 2.1.

(1) X is of point-countable type. By [7], every rectifiable space of point-countable type is a p -space. Hence X is locally a paracompact p -space. Since X is homogeneous, we can take an open subset U of bX such that $\overline{U}^{bX} \cap Y$ has a G_δ -diagonal and $\overline{U}^{bX} \cap X$ is a paracompact p -space. By Lemma 2.9, $\overline{U}^{bX} \cap Y$ is separable and metrizable. Since both $\overline{U}^{bX} \cap X$ and $\overline{U}^{bX} \cap Y$ are dense in \overline{U}^{bX} , $\overline{U}^{bX} \cap X$ has a countable π -base. Thus $U \cap X$ has a countable π -base since $U \cap X$ is dense in $\overline{U}^{bX} \cap X$. Particularly, $U \cap X$ has countable π -character. It implies that X has countable π -character. According to [12], X is metrizable. Therefore X and Y are separable and metrizable by [8].

(2) X is locally σ -compact. Noticing that X is homogeneous, one can fix an open subset O of bX such that $\overline{O \cap X}^X$ is σ -compact and $\overline{O \cap Y}^Y$ has a G_δ -diagonal. Since $\overline{O \cap X}^X$ and $\overline{O \cap Y}^Y$ are dense in \overline{O}^{bX} , it follows from the fact that $\overline{O \cap X}^X$ is a Lindelöf space that $\overline{O \cap Y}^Y$ is of countable type. Then the condition that $\overline{O \cap Y}^Y$ has a G_δ -diagonal makes $\overline{O \cap Y}^Y$ first-countable. By [9], every countably compact space with a G_δ -diagonal is compact. Then $\overline{O \cap Y}^Y$ is not countably compact since $\overline{O \cap Y}^Y$ is not compact. Therefore $\overline{O \cap Y}^Y$ contains a countable infinite subset A which is closed and discrete in Y . Since bX is compact, there exists a point $x \in bX$ such that $x \in \overline{A}^{bX}$. Since $\overline{O \cap Y}^Y$ is first-countable and is dense in \overline{O}^{bX} , it follows that \overline{O}^{bX} has countable character at each point of $\overline{O \cap Y}^Y$. For each $a \in A$ fix a countable base η_a of \overline{O}^{bX} at a , and put $\eta = \{U \cap X : U \in \bigcup_{a \in A} \eta_a\}$. Since $O \cap X$ is dense in \overline{O}^{bX} , η is a countable π -base of $O \cap X$ at x . Obviously, η is also a countable π -base of X at x . Since X is homogeneous, it follows that X has countable π -character. Therefore X and Y are separable and metrizable. \square

Corollary 2.11. *Assume that X is a non-locally compact rectifiable space and bX is a compactification of X such that $Y = bX \setminus X$ has locally a G_δ -diagonal. If X has countable tightness or countable pseudocharacter, then X and Y are separable and metrizable.*

Proof. By Theorem 2.1, X is of point-countable type or locally σ -compact.

If X is locally σ -compact, X and Y are separable and metrizable by Theorem 2.10.

Let X be of point-countable type. If X has countable tightness, then X has countable π -character. If X has countable pseudocharacter, then X has countable character. Therefore, X and Y are separable and metrizable. \square

By Corollary 2.11, the following result is obvious.

Corollary 2.12. *Assume that X is a non-locally compact rectifiable space and bX is a compactification of X such that $Y = bX \setminus X$ has locally a G_δ -diagonal. If one of the following conditions is satisfied:*

- (1) X is hereditarily separable;
 - (2) X has locally a G_δ -diagonal;
 - (3) X is a sequential space,
- then X and bX are separable and metrizable.

The theorem that follows generalizes the results proved in [2, Theorem 4.5] and [7, Theorem 3.8].

Theorem 2.13. *Let X be a non-locally compact rectifiable space and let bX be a compactification of X . Then $Y = bX \setminus X$ is locally a p -space if and only if at least one of the following conditions holds:*

- (1) X is a Lindelöf p -space;
- (2) X is σ -compact;

Proof. Sufficiency. If X is a Lindelöf p -space, then Y is a Lindelöf p -space. If X is σ -compact, then Y is Čech-complete. Therefore Y is locally a p -space.

Necessity. Since Y is locally a p -space, it is locally of countable type, which implies that Y is of countable type by [18]. Then X is a Lindelöf space. Since Y is locally Ohio complete, by Theorem 2.1, X is of point-countable type or locally σ -compact.

If X is of point-countable type, then X is a p -space by [7]. Therefore X is a Lindelöf p -space.

If X is locally σ -compact, then X is σ -compact since it is Lindelöf. \square

Corollary 2.14. *Let X be a non-locally compact rectifiable space with a compactification bX such that $Y = bX \setminus X$ is locally developable. Then X and Y are separable and metrizable.*

Proof. By Theorem 2.13, X is a Lindelöf p -space or a σ -compact space. Since every developable space has a G_δ -diagonal, it follows from Theorem 2.10 that X and Y are separable and metrizable. \square

Corollary 2.15. *Let X be a non-locally compact rectifiable space with a compactification bX such that $Y = bX \setminus X$ is locally a p -space. If X has locally a G_δ -diagonal, then X has a countable network.*

Proof. By Theorem 2.13, X is either a Lindelöf p -space or σ -compact. If X is a Lindelöf p -space, then X is locally separable and locally metrizable since X has locally a G_δ -diagonal. Then the Lindelöfness of X makes X have a countable base. Now we consider the case that X is σ -compact. Observe that every compact space with locally a G_δ -diagonal is separable and metrizable, and hence has a countable network. Therefore, X has a countable network. \square

Corollary 2.16. *Suppose that X is a non-locally compact rectifiable space, and bX is a compactification of X such that $Y = bX \setminus X$ is locally a paracompact p -space. If X has locally a G_δ -diagonal, then X is separable and metrizable.*

Proof. By Corollary 2.15, X has a countable network. Then the cellularity of X is countable, which implies that the cellularity of Y is also countable. Since Y is locally a paracompact p -space, Y is locally a Lindelöf p -space. By Theorem 1.2 it follows from the homogeneity of X that X is locally a Lindelöf p -space. Then the fact that X has a countable network guarantees that X is separable and metrizable. \square

Two topological spaces X and Y are called r -equivalent [6], if there exists compactifications aX and bY of X and Y respectively such that $aX \setminus X$ and $bY \setminus Y$ are homeomorphic.

Theorem 2.17. *Suppose that X and Y are rectifiable spaces. If X is a p -space r -equivalent to Y , then Y is a p -space.*

Proof. Assume that aX and bY are compactifications of X and Y respectively such that $aX \setminus X$ and $bY \setminus Y$ are homeomorphic. Since every p -space is of countable type, $aX \setminus X$ is a Lindelöf space. Therefore $bY \setminus Y$ is a Lindelöf space. It follows that Y is of countable type. Hence Y is a p -space by [7]. \square

Say that X is a p -space, if for each $x \in X$, the intersection of any countable neighbourhoods of x is also a neighbourhood of x . A topological group whose underlying space is a p -space is called a topological p -group. Next we give several results about remainders of p -spaces.

Theorem 2.18. *If bX is a compactification of a p -space X with no isolated points, then the cellularity of $Y = bX \setminus X$ is greater than ω .*

Proof. Since X is a p -space with no isolated points, it follows that X is nowhere locally compact. Fix a point $x \in X$. For each $y \in Y$, take a local base \mathcal{B}_y of y in Y such that $x \notin \overline{B}^{bX}$ for $B \in \mathcal{B}_y$. By Zorn's Lemma, we can take a maximal disjoint family \mathcal{O} of open subsets of Y from $\bigcup_{y \in Y} \mathcal{B}_y$. Since $\bigcup_{y \in Y} \mathcal{B}_y$ is a base of Y , $\bigcup \mathcal{O}$ is dense in Y . $\bigcup \mathcal{O}$ is dense in bX since Y is dense in bX .

Claim: $|\mathcal{O}| > \omega$, which implies that $c(Y) > \omega$.

Suppose that $|\mathcal{O}| = \omega$, and let $\mathcal{O} = \{O_n : n \in \omega\}$. For $n \in \omega$, fix an open subset V_n of bX such that $O_n = V_n \cap Y$. Since $x \notin \overline{O_n}^{bX}$ for each $n \in \omega$, $bX \setminus \overline{O_n}^{bX}$ is a neighbourhood of x . Observe that $F = (\bigcap_{n \in \omega} bX \setminus \overline{O_n}^{bX}) \cap X$ is a neighbourhood of x in X by the condition that X is a p -space. For each $n \in \omega$, $F \subset bX \setminus \overline{O_n}^{bX} = bX \setminus \overline{V_n}^{bX}$, so that $F \cap V_n = \emptyset$. Hence $\overline{F}^{bX} \cap O_n \subset \overline{F}^{bX} \cap V_n = \emptyset$. Fix an open subset U of bX such that $U \cap X = F$. Then $U \cap O_n \subset \overline{U}^{bX} \cap O_n = \overline{F}^{bX} \cap V_n = \emptyset$ for $n \in \omega$. This contradicts the fact that $\bigcup \mathcal{O}$ is dense in bX . \square

Corollary 2.19. *Suppose that bX is a compactification of a homogeneous p -space X . If $Y = bX \setminus X$ is separable, then X is discrete.*

Theorem 2.20. *If bX is a compactification of a topological p -group X , then at least one of the following holds:*

- (1) X is discrete;
- (2) $Y = bX \setminus X$ is pseudocompact.

Proof. Suppose that X is non-discrete. Then it follows from X being a P -space that X is non-locally compact. By [4], a remainder of a topological group in any compactification is either pseudocompact or Lindelöf, which implies that Y is either pseudocompact or Lindelöf.

Claim: Y is pseudocompact.

Suppose to the contrary that Y is Lindelöf. Then X is of countable type by Theorem 1.1. Fix a compact subset F of X such that F has a countable outer base in X . Since X is a p -space, F is an open subset of X . Hence, X is locally compact. This is a contradiction. \square

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