

# Nearly $\alpha$ -compact spaces

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## <Abstract>

In this paper a nearly  $\alpha$ -compact space is defined and studied a necessary and sufficient condition that a space be nearly  $\alpha$ -compact. A necessary condition for an almost regular space to be nearly  $\alpha$ -compact and a sufficient condition for a regular space to be nearly  $\alpha$ -compact are also studied.

## Nearly $\alpha$ -compact 공간

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## <요 약>

본 연구에서는 nearly  $\alpha$ -compact 공간이 정의 되었고, 임의적으로 하나의 공간이 nearly  $\alpha$ -compact 공간이 되기위한 필요 충분조건이 검토되었고 또 almost regular 공간이 nearly  $\alpha$ -compact 되기위한 필요 조건과 regular 공간이 nearly  $\alpha$ -compact 공간이 되기위한 충분조건이 검토되었다.

## I. Introduction

V. Ponomarev has introduced the so called  $\alpha$ -compact space of which the paracompact space is a special case and the nearly compact space is studied by Larry L. Herrington. In this paper a nearly  $\alpha$ -compact space is defined and the characterization of such spaces are given, using system of closed sets. From now on the family of all  $(\bar{\alpha})^\circ$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$  ( $(\bar{V}_\alpha)^\circ$ ,  $V_\alpha \in \alpha$ ) will be denoted by  $(\bar{\mathcal{A}})^\circ$ ,  $((\alpha)^\circ$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ ).

## II. Preliminary definitions and theorems

Let  $\alpha$  be the families of open subsets of a given space  $X$  such that  $(\bar{\mathcal{A}})^\circ$  is a family of open coverings which contains all finite open coverings as a subsystem.

Definition 1. The space  $X$  is nearly  $\alpha$ -compact if each open covering of  $X$  has a refine-

ment  $(\bar{\alpha})^\circ$  for  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ .

Definition 2. A system  $\sigma = \{F\}$  of closed sets is called nearly  $\alpha$ -tangent if in each  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$  there is an element  $V_\alpha \in \alpha$  such that  $(V_\alpha)^\circ \cap F \neq \emptyset$  for all  $F \in \sigma$ .

Definition 3. A space  $X$  is said to be almost-regular if for every point  $x$  in  $X$  and each neighborhood  $U$  of  $x$ , there exists a neighborhood  $V$  of  $x$  such that  $V \subset \bar{V} \subset (U)^\circ$ .

From now on we shall suppose that  $(\bar{\mathcal{A}})^\circ$  is a directed system (with the natural ordering:  $(\bar{\alpha}')^\circ \succ (\bar{\alpha})^\circ$  if the covering  $(\bar{\alpha}')^\circ$  is a refinement of the covering  $(\bar{\alpha})^\circ$ ).

Definition 4. Take in any  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$  and a set  $V_\alpha \in \alpha$ . The system  $\xi = \{V_\alpha\}$  is called nearly  $\alpha$  thread if for any two  $V_\alpha \in \xi$ ,  $V_{\alpha'} \in \xi$ , a  $V_\alpha \in \xi$  can be chosen with  $(\bar{\alpha}'')^\circ \succ (\alpha)^\circ$ ,  $(\bar{\alpha}'')^\circ \succ (\bar{\alpha}')^\circ$  (in  $(\bar{\mathcal{A}})^\circ$ ) and  $V_{\alpha''} \subseteq (V_\alpha)^\circ \cap (V_{\alpha'})^\circ$ .

Definition 5. The space  $X$  has property  $N_\alpha$  if for every nearly  $\alpha$ -tangent system  $\sigma = \{F\}$  the sets  $V_\alpha \in \alpha$  with  $(V_\alpha)^\circ \cap F \neq \emptyset$  for all  $F \in \sigma$

can be chosen in such a way as to form a nearly  $\alpha$ -thread ("the nearly  $\alpha$ -thread dual to the nearly  $\alpha$ -tangent system  $\sigma$ ").

Theorem 1. A space  $X$  is nearly  $\alpha$ -compact if and only if each nearly  $\alpha$ -tangent system has a non-void intersection.

Proof. Let  $\sigma = \{F\}$  be nearly  $\alpha$ -tangent and  $\bigcap_{F \in \sigma} F = \phi$ . Then  $\bigcup_{F \in \sigma} F' = X$  which is a covering. If  $(\alpha)^\circ$  be a refinement of  $\{F'\}$ , then for each  $V_\alpha \in \alpha$ , there is a  $F \in \sigma$  such that  $(V_\alpha)^\circ \subset F'$ ; i.e.,  $(V_\alpha)^\circ \cap F = \phi$ . But there is a  $V_\alpha \in \alpha$  such that  $(\bar{V}_\alpha)^\circ \cap F \neq \phi$ , for all  $F \in \sigma$ . This is a contradiction.

For sufficiency; if  $X$  is not nearly  $\alpha$ -compact then there is an open covering  $\mathcal{U}$  such that for each  $\alpha \in \alpha$ ,  $(\alpha)^\circ$  cannot be a refinement of  $\mathcal{U}$ . This says that there exists a  $V_\alpha \in \alpha$  for each  $\alpha \in \alpha$  such that  $(\bar{V}_\alpha)^\circ$  cannot be contained in any element of  $\mathcal{U}$ . This means that  $(V_\alpha)^\circ \cap U \neq \phi$  for all  $U \in \mathcal{U}$ . Hence the family  $\{U' : U \in \mathcal{U}\}$  of closed sets is a nearly  $\alpha$ -tangent but  $\bigcap_{U \in \mathcal{U}} U' = \phi$ .

Lemma. In almost regular space  $X$  let  $\xi = \{V_\alpha\}$  be a nearly  $\alpha$ -thread and  $x \in \bigcap_\alpha V_\alpha$ , then all of the open neighborhood  $U(x)$  of the point  $x \in X$  are among  $V_\alpha$ .

Proof. In fact, obviously  $\bigcap_\alpha (V_\alpha)^\circ = \bigcap_\alpha V_\alpha$ ; for a given open neighborhood  $U(x)$  with  $\bar{U}_1(x) \subset (\bar{U}(x))^\circ$  and  $\alpha_0 = \{U(x), X - \bar{U}_1(x)\}$ . Necessarily  $V_{\alpha_0} = U(x)$ .

Theorem 2. If an almost regular space  $X$  is nearly  $\alpha$ -compact, then both of the following conditions are fulfilled:

- (a) the space  $X$  has the property  $N_\alpha$ ,
- (b) for each nearly  $\alpha$ -thread  $\xi = \{V_\alpha\}$ ,  $(\bar{\xi})^\circ$  has non-void intersection.

Proof. Let  $X$  be nearly  $\alpha$ -compact, and  $\sigma = \{F\}$  a nearly  $\alpha$ -tangent system. Then  $\bigcap_{F \in \sigma} F$  contains a point  $x$  by theorem 1.

In any  $\alpha$  take an element  $V_\alpha$  with  $(V_\alpha)^\circ \ni x$ . Then the  $\xi = \{V_\alpha\}$  thus obtained is a nearly  $\alpha$ -thread. In fact let  $V_\alpha \in \xi$ ,  $V_{\alpha'} \in \xi$  be given. Let us choose neighborhoods  $U(x)$ ,  $U_1(x)$  of  $x$  so that  $\bar{U}(x) \subset (\bar{V}_\alpha)^\circ \cap (\bar{V}_{\alpha'})^\circ$ ,  $\bar{U}_1(x) \subset (\bar{U}(x))^\circ$ .

First of all let us show that we can choose

neighborhood  $U(x)$  of  $x$  so that  $\bar{U}(\bar{x}) \subset (V_\alpha)^\circ \cap (V_{\alpha'})^\circ$ . Since  $x \in (V_\alpha)^\circ \cap (V_{\alpha'})^\circ$ , by almost regularity there are neighborhoods  $N_1(x)$ ,  $N_2(x)$  of  $x$  such that  $x \in N_1(x) \subset \bar{N}_1(\bar{x}) \subset ((V_\alpha)^\circ)^- = (V_\alpha)^\circ$  and  $x \in N_2(x) \subset \bar{N}_2(\bar{x}) \subset ((V_{\alpha'})^\circ)^- = (V_{\alpha'})^\circ$ . Let  $N_1(x) \cap N_2(x) = U(x)$ . Then  $\bar{U}(x) = \bar{N}_1(\bar{x}) \cap \bar{N}_2(\bar{x}) \subset N_1(x) \cap N_2(x) \subset (V_\alpha)^\circ \cap (V_{\alpha'})^\circ$ . Take  $\alpha_1 = \{U(x), X - (\bar{U}_1(x))\}$ . Take any  $(\alpha'')^\circ \in (\bar{\alpha})^\circ$  following  $(\bar{\alpha})^\circ$ ,  $(\bar{\alpha}')^\circ$ ,  $(\bar{\alpha}_1)^\circ$ ; then  $(\bar{V}_{\alpha''})^\circ \subset (\bar{\xi})^\circ$  with  $(V_{\alpha''})^\circ \supset x$  and contained in some element of  $(\bar{\alpha}_1)^\circ$ , must be contained in  $(U(x))^\circ$ ; therefore  $V_{\alpha''} \subset (\bar{U}(x)) \subset (V_\alpha)^\circ \cap (V_{\alpha'})^\circ$ .

Obviously the nearly  $\alpha$ -thread  $\xi$  is dual to  $\sigma$  and the space  $X$  has property  $N_\alpha$ . Moreover, for any nearly  $\alpha$ -thread  $\xi' = \{V_{\alpha'}\}$ , the system  $\{V_{\alpha'}\}$  is a nearly  $\alpha$ -tangent system and  $\bigcap_{V_{\alpha'} \in \xi'} V_{\alpha'}$ . It follows that  $(\bar{\xi})^\circ$  has non-void intersection.

Theorem 3. A regular space  $X$  is nearly  $\alpha$ -compact if both of the following conditions are fulfilled:

- (a) space  $X$  has the property  $N_\alpha$ ,
- (b) for each nearly  $\alpha$ -thread  $\xi = \{V_\alpha\}$ ,  $(\bar{\xi})^\circ$  has non-void intersection.

Proof. Let  $\sigma = \{F\}$  be a nearly  $\alpha$ -tangent system and  $\xi = \{V_\alpha\}$  a dual nearly  $\alpha$ -thread with  $x_0 \in \bigcap_\alpha (V_\alpha)^\circ = \bigcap_\alpha \bar{V}_\alpha \neq \phi$ . As  $(V_\alpha)^\circ$ , i.e., all  $(U(x))^\circ$ , intersect of all  $F_\alpha \in \sigma$ , we have  $x_0 \in \bigcap_{F \in \sigma} F$ . Let us show  $x_0 \in \bigcap_{F \in \sigma} F$ , if not:  $x_0 \notin \bigcap_{F \in \sigma} F$ , i.e.,  $x_0 \in \bigcup_{F \in \sigma} F'$ . Since  $X$  is regular, there is a neighborhood  $W(x_0)$  such that  $x_0 \in W(x_0) \subset \bar{W}(x_0) \subset F'$  for some  $F \in \sigma$ . Hence  $\bar{W}(x_0) \cap F = \phi$ . This is a contradiction. Thus  $X$  is a nearly  $\alpha$ -compact.

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