

SOME RESULTS ON THE COUNTABLE COMPACTNESS AND PSEUDOCOMPACTNESS OF HYPERSPACES

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1. Introduction. Let X be a Hausdorff space. Let 2^X denote the set of all non-empty closed subsets of X . For a subset A of X , we set $2^A = \{F \in 2^X : F \subseteq A\}$. Recall that the finite topology on 2^X is that topology having as a sub-basis the family $\{2^G : G \text{ is open in } X\} \cup \{2^X - 2^F : F \text{ is closed in } X\}$. When endowed with this topology, 2^X is referred to as the *hyperspace of X* . For the fundamental properties of hyperspaces, we refer the reader to [6; 7]. Following [6], we adopt the following notation: If A_0, A_1, \dots, A_n are subsets of X , we set $B(A_0; A_1, \dots, A_n) = 2^{A_0} \cap \bigcap_{i=1}^n (2^X - 2^{X-A_i}) = \{F \in 2^X : F \subseteq A_0 \text{ and } F \cap A_i \neq \emptyset \text{ for all } i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$. Using this notation, we see that the sets of the form $B(G_0; G_1, \dots, G_n)$, where G_0, G_1, \dots, G_n are open in X and $\bigcup_{i=1}^n G_i \subseteq G_0$, form a basis for the finite topology on 2^X .

We are concerned here with the countable compactness and pseudocompactness of 2^X . At this point, let us recall several concepts related to countable compactness and pseudocompactness, which will be useful in our discussion.

Let X be a topological space. Let $(S_n : n \in N)$ be a sequence of subsets of X . A point $p \in X$ is a *limit point of the sequence* $(S_n : n \in N)$, if, for each neighborhood W of p , $\{n \in N : W \cap S_n \neq \emptyset\}$ is infinite. Let \mathcal{D} be a free ultrafilter on the set (discrete space) N of positive integers. We say that p is a \mathcal{D} -*limit point of the sequence* $(S_n : n \in N)$ if, for every neighborhood W of p , $\{n : W \cap S_n \neq \emptyset\} \in \mathcal{D}$.

X is *countably compact* if every sequence of points in X has a limit point.

Let \mathcal{D} be a free ultrafilter on N . Following [1], we say that X is \mathcal{D} -*compact* if every sequence of points in X has a \mathcal{D} -limit point in X .

X is *pseudocompact* if every continuous real-valued function on X is bounded.

X is \mathcal{G} -*pseudocompact* if every sequence of non-empty open subsets of X has a limit point in X .

Let \mathcal{D} be a free ultrafilter on N . We say that X is \mathcal{D} -*pseudocompact*, if every sequence of non-empty open subsets of X has a \mathcal{D} -limit point.

Finally, X is \mathbf{K}_0 -*bounded* if every countable subset of X is contained in a compact subset of X .

The following facts relating these concepts are elementary and easy to verify. A \mathcal{D} -compact space is countably compact. A \mathcal{G} -pseudocompact space is

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pseudocompact. A completely regular space X is pseudocompact if, and only if it is \mathcal{G} -pseudocompact. A \mathcal{D} -pseudocompact space is \mathcal{G} -pseudocompact. Every \mathcal{D} -compact space is \mathcal{D} -pseudocompact.

We shall have occasion to use the following two theorems.

THEOREM 1.1. (Bernstein) *\mathcal{D} -compactness is closed-hereditary, and productive. A completely regular space X is \mathbf{K}_0 -bounded if, and only if, it is \mathcal{D} -compact for every free ultrafilter \mathcal{D} on N . (See [1].)*

THEOREM 1.2. (Ginsburg-Saks) *Let X be a Hausdorff space. Then the following are equivalent:*

- (i) *Every power of X is countably compact;*
- (ii) *X^{2^c} is countably compact;*
- (iii) *$X^{|X|^{\mathbf{K}_0}}$ is countably compact;*
- (iv) *X is \mathcal{D} -compact for some free ultrafilter \mathcal{D} on N . (See [4].)*

For a discussion of the above results and related ideas, we refer the reader to [1; 4].

As mentioned above, this paper is concerned with the countable compactness and pseudocompactness of hyperspaces. We will establish the following results. X is \mathcal{D} -compact if, and only if, 2^X is \mathcal{D} -compact. X is \mathcal{D} -pseudocompact if, and only if, 2^X is \mathcal{D} -pseudocompact. If all powers of X are countably compact, then 2^X is countably compact. If 2^X is countably compact, then all finite powers of X are countably compact. If X is completely regular and 2^X is pseudocompact, then all finite powers of X are pseudocompact. We give an example of a completely regular space X , all of whose finite powers are countably compact, such that 2^X is not pseudocompact.

2. Some theorems on the countable compactness and pseudo-compactness of 2^X . Our first result compares the \mathcal{D} -compactness of 2^X with that of X .

THEOREM 2.1. *Let X be a Hausdorff space, and let \mathcal{D} be a free ultrafilter on N . Then X is \mathcal{D} -compact if, and only if, 2^X is \mathcal{D} -compact.*

Proof. If X is Hausdorff, then the singletons in 2^X form a closed subset homeomorphic to X . (See 2.4 of [7].) Since \mathcal{D} -compactness is closed hereditary by 1.1, if 2^X is \mathcal{D} -compact, so is X .

For the converse, suppose X is \mathcal{D} -compact. We show 2^X is \mathcal{D} -compact. Thus, let $(F_n : n \in N)$ be a sequence in 2^X . Let $L = \{p \in X : p \text{ is a } \mathcal{D}\text{-limit point of the sequence } (F_n : n \in N)\}$. Clearly L is a non-empty, closed subset of X . That is, $L \in 2^X$. We claim that L is a \mathcal{D} -limit point of the sequence $(F_n : n \in N)$ in 2^X . To see this, let $\mathcal{W} = B(G_0; G_1, \dots, G_T)$ be a basic neighborhood of L in 2^X . We must show that $\{n : F_n \in \mathcal{W}\} \in \mathcal{D}$. Now let $N_0 = \{n \in N : F_n \subseteq G_0\}$, and for $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, T\}$ let $N_i = \{n \in N : F_n \cap G_i \neq \emptyset\}$. Clearly $\{n \in N : F_n \in \mathcal{W}\} = \bigcap_{i=0}^T N_i$. Thus, to show that $\{n \in N : F_n \in \mathcal{W}\} \in \mathcal{D}$,

we need prove that $N_i \in \mathcal{D}$ for each $i \in \{0, 1, \dots, T\}$. Now, since $L \in \mathcal{W}$, we have $L \cap G_i \neq \emptyset$. Let $p \in L \cap G_i$. Then p is a \mathcal{D} -limit point of the sequence $(F_n : n \in N)$ and G_i is a neighborhood of p , so $\{n : G_i \cap F_n \neq \emptyset\} = N_i \in \mathcal{D}$. Thus $N_i \in \mathcal{D}$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, T$. Finally, we show $N_0 \in \mathcal{D}$. For the sake of contradiction, assume $N_0 \notin \mathcal{D}$. Then $N - N_0 \in \mathcal{D}$. For each $n \in N - N_0$, choose a point $x_n \in F_n - G_0$. For each $n \in N_0$, choose a point x_n arbitrarily from F_n . The sequence $(x_n : n \in N)$ so obtained has a \mathcal{D} -limit point a , by the \mathcal{D} -compactness of X . Clearly a is a \mathcal{D} -limit point of the sequence $(F_n : n \in N)$, and so $a \in L$. But $L \in \mathcal{W}$, so that $L \subseteq G_0$. Therefore $a \in G_0$. Since a is a \mathcal{D} -limit point of the sequence $(x_n : n \in N)$, we have $\{n : x_n \in G_0\} \in \mathcal{D}$. But this last set is disjoint from $N - N_0$, which also lies in \mathcal{D} . This is a contradiction. Therefore $N_0 \in \mathcal{D}$, and L is a \mathcal{D} -limit point of the sequence $(F_n : n \in N)$ in 2^X . Thus 2^X is \mathcal{D} -compact.

From 2.1 we can obtain, as a corollary, the following theorem due to J. Keesling [5].

COROLLARY 2.2. *Let X be a normal space. Then X is \aleph_0 -bounded if, and only if, 2^X is \aleph_0 -bounded.*

Proof. If X is normal, then, by 4.9.5 of [7], 2^X is completely regular. By 1.1, 2^X is \aleph_0 -bounded if, and only if, it is \mathcal{D} -compact for every free ultrafilter \mathcal{D} on N . By 2.1, this happens exactly when X is \mathcal{D} -compact for all free ultrafilters \mathcal{D} on N , which by 1.1, is equivalent to X being \aleph_0 -bounded.

Theorem 2.1 also allows us to establish the following relation between the countable compactness of 2^X and that of powers of X .

COROLLARY 2.3. *Let X be a Hausdorff space. If all powers of X are countably compact, then 2^X is countably compact. If 2^X is countably compact, then all finite powers of X are countably compact.*

Proof. If all powers of X are countably compact, then, by 1.2, there is a free ultrafilter \mathcal{D} on N such that X is \mathcal{D} -compact. By 2.1, 2^X is also \mathcal{D} -compact, and so, in particular, is countably compact.

Suppose 2^X is countably compact. For each $n \in N$, let $\mathcal{F}_n(X) = \{F \in 2^X : |F| \leq n\}$. By 2.4 of [7], $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ is a closed subspace of 2^X for each $n \in N$. For each n , define the map $S_n : X^n \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_n(X)$ by $S_n(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$. Then, for each n , S_n is a continuous, closed, finite-to-one map from X^n onto $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ [3]. As countable compactness is closed hereditary and preserved under perfect pre-images, the countable compactness of 2^X implies that of X^n for each $n \in N$.

We next turn to pseudocompactness. The next result is an analogy to 2.1.

THEOREM 2.4. *Let \mathcal{D} be a free ultrafilter on N . Then X is \mathcal{D} -pseudocompact if, and only if, 2^X is \mathcal{D} -pseudocompact.*

Proof. Suppose 2^X is \mathcal{D} -pseudocompact. We show that X is \mathcal{D} -pseudocompact. Thus, let $(G_n : n \in N)$ be a sequence of non-empty open subsets of X . Then $(2^{G_n} : n \in N)$ is a sequence of non-empty open subsets of 2^X . As 2^X is \mathcal{D} -pseudocompact, this sequence has a \mathcal{D} -limit point $F \in 2^X$. Choose any point $p \in F$. We show that p is a \mathcal{D} -limit point in X , of the sequence $(G_n : n \in N)$. For, let W be any neighborhood of p in X . Then, since $F \cap W \neq \emptyset$, $2^X - 2^{X-W}$ is a neighborhood of F in 2^X . Since F is a \mathcal{D} -limit point of the sequence $(2^{G_n} : n \in N)$, $\{n : 2^{G_n} \cap (2^X - 2^{X-W}) \neq \emptyset\} \in \mathcal{D}$. But $2^{G_n} \cap (2^X - 2^{X-W}) \neq \emptyset$ if, and only if, $G_n \cap W \neq \emptyset$. Thus $\{n : G_n \cap W \neq \emptyset\} \in \mathcal{D}$, and so p is a \mathcal{D} -limit point of the sequence $(G_n : n \in N)$. Therefore X is \mathcal{D} -pseudocompact.

Conversely, suppose X is \mathcal{D} -pseudocompact. Since the sets $B(G_0; C_1, \dots, C_T)$, with G_0, G_1, \dots, G_T open in X and $\cup_{i=1}^T G_i \subseteq G_0$, form a basis for the topology on 2^X , to show that 2^X is \mathcal{D} -pseudocompact we need only show that open sequences of these sets have \mathcal{D} -limit points. Thus, suppose we are given a sequence $(\mathcal{G}_n : n \in N)$ of non-empty basic open sets \mathcal{G}_n in 2^X . Write \mathcal{G}_n as $B(G_{0,n}; G_{1,n}, \dots, G_{T,n})$, with $G_{i,n}$ open in X and $\cup_{i=1}^T G_{i,n} \subseteq G_{0,n}$. Let $L = \{p \in X : p \text{ is a } \mathcal{D}\text{-limit point of the sequence } (G_{0,n} : n \in N)\}$. Then L is a non-empty, closed subset of X . That is, $L \in 2^X$. We claim that L is a \mathcal{D} -limit point in 2^X of the sequence $(\mathcal{G}_n : n \in N)$. Now the sets of the form 2^G and $B(X; G)$ form a sub-basis for 2^X . Since filters are closed under finite intersection, to show that L is a \mathcal{D} -limit point of $(\mathcal{G}_n : n \in N)$, it is enough to establish the following two statements.

- (i) If G is open in X and $L \in 2^G$, then $\{n \in N : 2^G \cap \mathcal{G}_n \neq \emptyset\} \in \mathcal{D}$.
- (ii) If G is open in X and $L \in B(X; G)$, then $\{n \in N : B(X; G) \cap \mathcal{G}_n \neq \emptyset\} \in \mathcal{D}$.

Let us first establish (i). Note that $2^G \cap \mathcal{G}_n \neq \emptyset$ if, and only if, $G \cap G_{i,n} \neq \emptyset$ for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, T_n$. Let $S = \{n \in N : 2^G \cap \mathcal{G}_n \neq \emptyset\}$ and let $T = N - S$. For the sake of contradiction, suppose $S \notin \mathcal{D}$. Then $T \in \mathcal{D}$. For each $n \in T$, find an integer $i_n \in \{1, 2, \dots, T_n\}$ such that $G \cap G_{i_n,n} = \emptyset$. Define a sequence $(H_n : n \in N)$ of non-empty open subsets of X as follows. For $n \in T$, $H_n = G_{i_n,n}$, and for $n \in S$, $H_n = G_{1,n}$. Now, since X is \mathcal{D} -pseudocompact, the sequence $(H_n : n \in N)$ has a \mathcal{D} -limit point $a \in X$. Clearly $a \in L$. Since $L \in 2^G$, we have $L \subseteq G$, and so $a \in G$. Since a is a \mathcal{D} -limit point of $(H_n : n \in N)$, $\{n \in N : G \cap H_n \neq \emptyset\} \in \mathcal{D}$. But this latter set is disjoint from T , and $T \in \mathcal{D}$. This is a contradiction. Therefore $S \in \mathcal{D}$, establishing (i). To establish (ii), suppose G is open in X and $L \in B(X; G)$. Observe that $B(X; G) \cap \mathcal{G}_n \neq \emptyset$ if, and only if, $G \cap G_{0,n} \neq \emptyset$. Let $M = \{n \in N : B(X; G) \cap \mathcal{G}_n \neq \emptyset\} = \{n \in N : G \cap G_{0,n} \neq \emptyset\}$. Now, since $L \in B(X; G)$, $L \cap G \neq \emptyset$. Let $p \in L \cap G$. Then p is a \mathcal{D} -limit point of the sequence $(G_{0,n} : n \in N)$, and G is a neighborhood of p . Therefore $\{n \in N : G \cap G_{0,n} \neq \emptyset\} \in \mathcal{D}$. That is, $M \in \mathcal{D}$, establishing (ii).

We have thus shown that L is a \mathcal{D} -limit point of $(\mathcal{G}_n : n \in N)$. Therefore 2^X is \mathcal{D} -pseudocompact, as desired.

Even having established 2.4, we cannot conclude that the pseudocompactness of all powers of X implies the pseudocompactness of 2^X , at least not by an

argument analogous to the one used in 2.3. The problem here is that \mathcal{D} -pseudocompactness is not a necessary condition for pseudocompact powers (see 4). We can, however, establish a pseudocompact counterpart to the second assertion in 2.3.

THEOREM 2.5. *Let X be regular. If 2^X is \mathcal{G} -pseudocompact, then all finite powers of X are \mathcal{G} -pseudocompact.*

Proof. Assume 2^X is \mathcal{G} -pseudocompact. Firstly, X is \mathcal{G} -pseudocompact. For, if $(G_n : n \in N)$ is a sequence of non-empty open subsets of X , the sequence $(2^{G_n} : N)$ has a limit point L in 2^X . Choosing any point $p \in L$, it is easy to see that p is a limit point of $(G_n : n \in N)$. Thus every sequence of non-empty open subsets of X has a limit point in X . That is, X is \mathcal{G} -pseudocompact.

Next, we show that $X \times X$ is \mathcal{G} -pseudocompact, for which it suffices to show that every sequence $(U_n \times V_n : n \in N)$ where U_n, V_n are non-empty open subsets of X , has a limit point in X . We will assume not, and we will derive a contradiction. So assume $(U_n \times V_n : n \in N)$ has no limit point in $X \times X$. Now X is \mathcal{G} -pseudocompact, as has already been established, so the sequence $(U_n : n \in N)$ has a limit point $p \in X$. Since $(U_n \times V_n : n \in N)$ has no limit point in $X \times X$, in particular, (p, p) is not a limit point of $(U_n \times V_n : n \in N)$. Therefore, there is a neighborhood W of p in X such that $\{n \in N : (W \times W) \cap (U_n \times V_n) \neq \emptyset\}$ is finite. Let $S = \{n \in N : (W \times W) \cap (U_n \times V_n) \neq \emptyset\}$. By regularity, find a neighborhood W_1 of p in X such that $\text{cl}_X W_1 \subseteq W$. Let $T = \{n \in N : W_1 \cap U_n \neq \emptyset\}$. Since p is a limit point of $(U_n : n \in N)$, T is infinite. Let $N_1 = T - S$. Then N_1 is infinite. Consider the sequence $((W_1 \cap U_n) \times V_n : n \in N_1)$. Being a refinement of a subsequence of $(U_n \times V_n : n \in N)$, the sequence $((W_1 \cap U_n) \times V_n : n \in N_1)$ also has no limit point in $X \times X$. Let $A = \text{cl}_X W_1$, and let $B = \text{cl}_X (\bigcup_{n \in N_1} V_n)$. Then A and B are disjoint regular-closed subsets of X , and $\bigcup_{n \in N_1} [(W_1 \cap U_n) \times V_n] \subseteq A \times B$. Now, since A and B are disjoint closed sets, $A \cup B$ is homeomorphic to $A + B$, the free union of A and B . By 5a., page 166 of [6], 2^{A+B} is homeomorphic to $2^A \times 2^B$. Now \mathcal{G} -pseudocompactness is evidently inherited by regular-closed subsets. As 2^X is \mathcal{G} -pseudocompact, so is $2^{A \cup B}$, and so, by the above remarks, is $2^A \times 2^B$. It follows easily that $A \times B$ is \mathcal{G} -pseudocompact. But $((W_1 \cap U_n) \times V_n : n \in N_1)$ has no limit point in $X \times X$, which is a contradiction. Thus $X \times X$ is \mathcal{G} -pseudocompact.

One can now prove by induction on n that X^n is \mathcal{G} -pseudocompact for all $n \in N$. The essential idea in going from X^n to X^{n+1} is the same as going from X^2 to X^3 , but the details are more cumbersome. Accordingly, we will show how to deduce the \mathcal{G} -pseudocompactness of X^3 from that of X^2 (and that of 2^X , of course), and leave the induction as a straightforward extension of this step.

Thus, from the \mathcal{G} -pseudocompactness of 2^X and $X \times X$, we are to deduce the \mathcal{G} -pseudocompactness of $X \times X \times X$. We assume that $X \times X \times X$ is not \mathcal{G} -pseudocompact, and we will reach a contradiction. So, let $(A_n \times B_n \times C_n : n \in N)$ be an open sequence in X^3 which has no limit point. Now X^2 is

\mathcal{G} -pseudocompact, so the sequence $(A_n \times B_n : n \in N)$ has the limit point (a, b) in $X \times X$. Neither (a, b, a) nor (a, b, b) is a limit point of $(A_n \times B_n \times C_n : n \in N)$ in X^3 . Thus we can find neighborhoods G and H of a and b respectively, such that the two sets

$$M_1 = \{n \in N : (G \times H \times G) \cap (A_n \times B_n \times C_n) \neq \emptyset\} \text{ and}$$

$$M_2 = \{n \in N : (G \times H \times H) \cap (A_n \times B_n \times C_n) \neq \emptyset\} \text{ are finite.}$$

Find neighborhoods G_1 and H_1 of a and b respectively such that $\text{cl}_X G_1 \subseteq G$ and $\text{cl}_X H_1 \subseteq H$. Let

$$M_3 = \{n \in N : (G_1 \times H_1) \cap (A_n \times B_n) \neq \emptyset\}.$$

Since (a, b) is a limit point of $(A_n \times B_n : n \in N)$, M_3 is infinite. Now let $N_1 = M_3 - (M_1 \cup M_2)$. Then N_1 is infinite. Let $A'_n = G_1 \cap A_n$, and let $B'_n = H_1 \cap B_n$. The sequence $(A'_n \times B'_n \times C_n : n \in N_1)$, being a refinement of a subsequence of $(A_n \times B_n \times C_n : n \in N)$, also has no limit point in X^3 . But X^2 is \mathcal{G} -pseudocompact, so the sequence $(B'_n \times C_n : n \in N_1)$ has a cluster point (c, d) in X^2 . Neither (c, c, d) nor (d, c, d) is a cluster point of $(A'_n \times B'_n \times C_n : n \in N_1)$. So we may find neighborhoods U and V of c and d respectively, such that the two sets

$$L_1 = \{n \in N_1 : (U \times U \times V) \cap (A'_n \times B'_n \times C_n) \neq \emptyset\} \text{ and}$$

$$L_2 = \{n \in N_1 : (V \times U \times V) \cap (A'_n \times B'_n \times C_n) \neq \emptyset\} \text{ are finite.}$$

Find neighborhoods U_1 and V_1 of c and d respectively, such that $\text{cl}_X U_1 \subseteq U$ and $\text{cl}_X V_1 \subseteq V$. Now, let

$$L_3 = \{n \in N_1 : (U_1 \times V_1) \cap (B'_n \times C_n) \neq \emptyset\}.$$

Since (c, d) is a limit point of $(B'_n \times C_n : n \in N_1)$, the set $N_2 = L_3 - (L_1 \cup L_2)$ is infinite. For $n \in N_2$, set $A''_n = A'_n$, $B''_n = U_1 \cap B'_n$, $C''_n = V_1 \cap C_n$. The sequence $(A''_n \times B''_n \times C''_n : n \in N_2)$ has no limit point in X^3 . Let $A = \text{cl}_X (\cup_{n \in N_2} A''_n)$, $B = \text{cl}_X (\cup_{n \in N_2} B''_n)$, $C = \text{cl}_X (\cup_{n \in N_2} C''_n)$. Then A, B, C are pairwise disjoint regular-closed subsets of X , and $\cup_{n \in N_2} (A''_n \times B''_n \times C''_n) \subseteq A \times B \times C$. By the same argument used earlier, $2^A \times 2^B \times 2^C$ is homeomorphic to $2^{A \cup B \cup C}$, which, as a regular-closed subspace of 2^X , inherits \mathcal{G} -pseudocompactness. Thus $A \times B \times C$ is \mathcal{G} -pseudocompact, which contradicts the fact that $(A''_n \times B''_n \times C''_n : n \in N_2)$ has no limit point. This contradiction proves that X^3 is \mathcal{G} -pseudocompact.

As was mentioned in the introduction, a completely regular space X is \mathcal{G} -pseudocompact if, and only if, it is pseudocompact. Although 2^X is completely regular only when X is normal, these concepts remain equivalent for 2^X when X is completely regular, as we now show.

PROPOSITION 2.6. *Let X be completely regular. Then 2^X is \mathcal{G} -pseudocompact if, and only if, it is pseudocompact.*

Proof. \mathcal{G} -pseudocompactness always implies pseudocompactness. We need only show that if 2^X is not \mathcal{G} -pseudocompact, then 2^X is not pseudocompact. If 2^X is not \mathcal{G} -pseudocompact, there is a sequence $\mathcal{G}_n = B(G_{0,n}; G_{1,n}, \dots, G_{T_n,n})$ of non-empty basic open subsets of 2^X , which has no limit point in 2^X . For each n and each $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, T_n\}$, choose a point $p_{n,i} \in G_{i,n}$. Let $F_n = \{p_{n,i} : i = 1, 2, \dots, T_n\}$. Now $F_n \subseteq G_{0,n}$, so, by complete regularity, we can find, for each n , a continuous, real-valued function f_n on X such that $f_n(x) = 1$ for each $x \in F_n$, and $f_n(x) = 0$ for each $x \in X - G_{0,n}$, and such that $0 \leq f_n \leq 1$. Given n and $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, T_n\}$, by complete regularity, we can find a continuous, real-valued function $g_{n,i}$ on X such that $0 \leq g_{n,i} \leq 1$, $g_{n,i}(p_{n,i}) = 1$, and $g_{n,i}(x) = 0$ for each $x \in X - G_{i,n}$. Now, for each n , define f_n^- on 2^X by $f_n^-(F) = \inf_{x \in F} f_n(x)$. For each n and each $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, T_n\}$, define $g_{n,i}^+$ on 2^X by $g_{n,i}^+(F) = \sup_{x \in F} g_{n,i}(x)$. By 4.7 of [7], the functions f_n^- and $g_{n,i}^+$ are all continuous, real-valued functions on 2^X . Now, for each n , let $G_n = f_n^- \cdot g_{n,1}^+ \cdot \dots \cdot g_{n,T_n}^+$. Then G_n is continuous and $G_n(F_n) = 1$, and $G_n(F) = 0$ for each $F \in 2^X - \mathcal{G}_n$. Since the sequence $(\mathcal{G}_n : n \in N)$ has no limit point, the function $\sum_{n \in N} nG_n$ is continuous on 2^X , and is clearly unbounded. Thus 2^X is not pseudocompact.

COROLLARY 2.7. *Let X be completely regular. If 2^X is pseudocompact, then all finite powers of X are pseudocompact.*

Proof. This follows immediately from 2.6 and 2.7.

3. An example. In [2], Z. Frolik constructs, for each positive integer n , a space X such that X^n is countably compact but X^{n+1} is not pseudocompact. In [5], J. Keesling shows that the hyperspaces of these spaces are not pseudocompact. This conclusion also follows from 2.7. Also in [2], Frolik constructs a space Y , all of whose finite powers are countably compact, such that Y^{\aleph_0} is not pseudocompact. We will see below that 2^Y is not pseudocompact, thus providing a counterexample to the converse of 2.7 and to the converse of the last statement in 2.3.

3.1. Example. *A completely regular space Y , all of whose finite powers are countably compact, such that 2^Y is not pseudocompact.*

Frolik constructs a sequence X_i , for $i \in N$, of subspaces of $\beta N - N$, such that $\prod_{K \in N} N \cup X_K$ is not pseudocompact, while every finite subproduct is countably compact. In his example, $\bigcap_{i \in N} X_i = \emptyset$. The desired space Y is the free union of the spaces $N \cup X_i$, together with a point at infinity, whose neighborhoods are complements of finitely many of the spaces $N \cup X_i$. To avoid ambiguity, let us replace $N \cup X_i$ by $Y_i = (N \cup X_i) \times \{i\}$. The space Y is then $(\bigcup_{i \in N} Y_i) \cup \{\infty\}$, with the topology described above. We will show that 2^Y is not pseudocompact. We will in fact produce an open-closed subspace of 2^Y homeomorphic to N . For each n , we let

$$F_n = \{(n, 1), (n, 2), \dots, (n, n)\}.$$

Since each point of each copy of N is isolated in Y , it follows that, for every n , F_n is an isolated point of 2^Y . Thus $D = \{F_n : n \in N\}$ is a discrete, open subspace of 2^Y , and our proof will be complete if we show D is closed in 2^Y . Let $A \in 2^Y$. We show that A is not a cluster point of D .

Case 1. $A \cap [\bigcup_{k \in N} N \times \{k\}] \neq \emptyset$. In this case, let $(n, k) \in A$. Now (n, k) is isolated in Y , so $B(Y; \{(n, k)\})$ is a neighborhood of A in 2^Y . At most one F_i is in $B(Y; \{(n, k)\})$. Therefore A is not a cluster point of D .

Case 2. There is an integer i such that $A \cap Y_i = \emptyset$. In this case, 2^{Y-Y_i} is a neighborhood of A in 2^Y meeting D in a finite set. Thus A is not a cluster point of D .

Case 3. For some integer i , $|A \cap Y_i| > 1$. In this case, A meets two disjoint open subsets G_1 and G_2 of Y_i . Since each F_n contains at most one element from each Y_i , $B(Y; G_1, G_2)$ is a neighborhood of A in 2^Y that is disjoint from D . So again, A is not a cluster point of D .

Case 4. In light of the first three cases, we may now assume that $A = \{(x_n, n) : n \in N\} \cup \{\infty\}$, where, for each n , $x_n \in X_n$. Now, since $\bigcap_{n \in N} X_n = \emptyset$, we can find integers n and m such that $x_n \neq x_m$. Find disjoint open sets U and V in βN such that $x_n \in U$ and $x_m \in V$. Now set $U_1 = [U \cap (N \cup X_n)] \times \{n\}$, and $V_1 = [V \cap (N \cup X_m)] \times \{m\}$. Then U_1 and V_1 are open in Y , and $(x_n, n) \in U_1$, $(x_m, m) \in V_1$. Thus $B(Y; U_1, V_1)$ is a neighborhood of A in 2^Y . Since $B(Y; U_1, V_1)$ is clearly disjoint from D , A is not a cluster point of D .

Cases 1 to 4 combine to show that D is closed in 2^Y , completing the proof.

3.2. Remark. In light of the results of 2.3 and 2.7, and Example 3.1, it is natural to ask whether there is any relation between the pseudocompactness (countable compactness) of $X^{\mathbf{K}^0}$ and that of 2^X . It would also be interesting to characterize those spaces X whose hyperspaces are countably compact (pseudocompact). The author has been unable to resolve these questions, and leaves them open to the reader. Natural examples of \mathcal{D} -compact and \mathcal{D} -pseudocompact spaces can be found in [4]. These spaces provide non-trivial examples of pseudocompact and countably compact hyperspaces.

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