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*Abstract.* We show that any  $\Sigma_s$ -product of at most  $\mathfrak{c}$ -many  $L\Sigma(\leq \omega)$ -spaces has the  $L\Sigma(\leq \omega)$ -property. This result generalizes some known results about  $L\Sigma(\leq \omega)$ -spaces. On the other hand, we prove that every  $\Sigma_s$ -product of monotonically monolithic spaces is monotonically monolithic, and in a similar form, we show that every  $\Sigma_s$ -product of Collins-Roscoe spaces has the Collins-Roscoe property. These results generalize some known results about the Collins-Roscoe spaces and answer some questions due to Tkachuk [*Lifting the Collins-Roscoe property by condensations*, Topology Proc. **42** (2012), 1–15]. Besides, we prove that if  $X$  is a simple Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space, then  $C_p(X)$  has the Collins-Roscoe property.

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### 1. Introduction

Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -property is important in topology, functional analysis and descriptive set theory. One of many equivalent definitions says that  $X$  is a Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space if and only if there exists a second countable space  $M$  and an upper semicontinuous compact-valued onto map  $\varphi : M \rightarrow X$ .

Given a class  $\mathcal{K}$  of compact spaces, Kubiś, Okunev and Szeptycki introduced and studied in [7] the class  $L\Sigma(\mathcal{K})$  of spaces  $X$  for which there exists a second countable space  $M$  and an upper semicontinuous onto map  $\varphi : M \rightarrow X$  such that  $\varphi(x)$  belongs to the class  $\mathcal{K}$  for any  $x \in M$ . If  $\mathcal{K}$  consists of compact spaces of weight at most  $\omega$  then the class  $L\Sigma(\mathcal{K})$  is denoted in [7] by  $L\Sigma(\leq \omega)$ . Compact spaces from the class  $L\Sigma(\leq \omega)$  were studied (under a different name) by Tkachuk in [12] and Tkachenko in [11].

A compact space  $X$  is a *Gul'ko compact space* if  $C_p(X)$  is a Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space. Molina-Lara and Okunev proved in [8] that every Gul'ko compact space of cardinality at most  $\mathfrak{c}$  is an  $L\Sigma(\leq \omega)$ -space. Tkachuk proved in [17] that, for any space  $X$  for which  $C_p(X)$  has the Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -property,  $C_p(X)$  is an  $L\Sigma(\leq \omega)$ -space if and only if  $|X| \leq \mathfrak{c}$ .

The concept of  $\Sigma_s$ -product was introduced in [10] by Sokolov who proved that a compact space  $X$  is a Gul'ko compact space if and only if  $X$  embeds into a  $\Sigma_s$ -product of real lines. We establish that if  $\mathcal{K}$  is a class of compact spaces

closed with respect to finite unions, closed subspaces and countable products, then any  $\Sigma_s$ -product of at most  $\mathfrak{c}$ -many  $L\Sigma(\mathcal{K})$ -spaces has the  $L\Sigma(\mathcal{K})$ -property. In particular, any  $\Sigma_s$ -product of at most  $\mathfrak{c}$ -many  $L\Sigma(\leq \omega)$ -spaces has the  $L\Sigma(\leq \omega)$ -property. We use this statement to give another proof of the mentioned theorems on  $L\Sigma(\leq \omega)$ -spaces.

The above results show that  $\Sigma_s$ -products are useful in the study of the Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -property in general and in function spaces (see also [15] and [14]). We also will use  $\Sigma_s$ -products to study monotone monolithicity and the Collins-Roscoe-property.

Tkachuk introduced in [16] the concept of a monotonically monolithic space. Collins-Roscoe spaces were studied in [3] by Collins and Roscoe (under a different name). Gruenhage proved in [5] that every Collins-Roscoe space is monotonically monolithic. Tkachuk gave in [18] an example of a monotonically monolithic space which does not have the Collins-Roscoe property.

Gruenhage established in the paper [5] that every Gul'ko compact space  $X$  has the Collins-Roscoe property. Also, Tkachuk proved in [18] that, if  $X$  is a Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space which can be condensed into some  $\Sigma_s$ -product of real lines, then the space  $X$  has the Collins-Roscoe property. It was proved in [15] that every  $\Sigma_s$ -product of second countable spaces has the Collins-Roscoe property. In the same paper Tkachuk posed the following question: is it true that every  $\Sigma_s$ -product of Collins-Roscoe spaces has the Collins-Roscoe property? We give a positive answer to this question and use this result to give a different proof of the above results about the Collins-Roscoe property. We also prove that any  $\Sigma_s$ -product of monotonically monolithic spaces is a monotonically monolithic space, answering another question in [15].

Besides, answering a question in [8], Tkachuk proved in [17] that if  $X$  is a simple Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space and  $|X| \leq \mathfrak{c}$ , then  $C_p(X)$  is a Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space. He also asked whether the condition  $|X| \leq \mathfrak{c}$  can be omitted in his result. In virtue of results in [18], if the answer to Tkachuk's question is positive, then  $C_p(X)$  must have the Collins-Roscoe property when  $X$  is a simple Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space. We do not know if the answer to Tkachuk's question is positive, but in the last part of this paper, we show that  $C_p(X)$  has the Collins-Roscoe property when  $X$  is a simple Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space.

## 2. Terminology and notation

All spaces in this article are assumed to be Tychonoff. We use terminology and notation as in [2] and [4]. The symbol  $\omega$  denotes the set of all natural numbers (always considered with the discrete topology) and  $\mathfrak{c}$  is the cardinal  $2^\omega$ .

For a subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$  let  $\text{cl}_X(A)$  be the closure of  $A$  in  $X$ . If there is no possibility of confusion, we will simply write  $\text{cl}(A)$  instead of  $\text{cl}_X(A)$ .

We denote by  $C_p(X)$  the space of all real-valued continuous functions with the topology of pointwise convergence; that is, the topology of subspace of the space  $\mathbb{R}^X$  of all functions from  $X$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  equipped with the Tychonoff product topology.

Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a cover of a space  $X$ . A family  $\mathcal{N}$  of subsets of  $X$  is called a *network with respect to  $\mathcal{C}$*  if for every element  $C$  of  $\mathcal{C}$  and any neighborhood  $U$  of  $C$ , there is an element  $N$  of  $\mathcal{N}$  such that  $C \subset N \subset U$ .

If  $X = \prod\{X_t : t \in T\}$  is a topological product,  $t \in T$  and  $E \subset T$ , then  $p_t$  and  $p_E$  denote the natural projections onto  $X_t$  and  $\prod\{X_t : t \in E\}$ , respectively.

Let  $X = \prod\{X_t : t \in T\}$  be a topological product and suppose that  $a \in X$  is fixed. Given any  $x \in X$ ,  $A \subset X$  and  $E \subset T$ , let  $\text{supp}_a(x) = \{t \in T : x(t) \neq a(t)\}$ ,  $\text{supp}_a(x, E) = \text{supp}_a(x) \cap E$  and  $\text{supp}_a(A, E) = \bigcup\{\text{supp}_a(x, E) : x \in A\}$ . If there is no possibility of confusion we simply write  $\text{supp}(x)$ ,  $\text{supp}(x, E)$  and  $\text{supp}(A, E)$  instead of  $\text{supp}_a(x)$ ,  $\text{supp}_a(x, E)$  and  $\text{supp}_a(A, E)$ , respectively.

We denote by  $\nu X$  the Hewitt realcompactification of the space  $X$ .

### 3. $L\Sigma(\leq \omega)$ -property in $\Sigma_s$ -products

The aim of this section is to show that the class of  $L\Sigma(\mathcal{K})$  is closed under  $\Sigma_s$ -products of at most  $\mathfrak{c}$ -many factors, when  $\mathcal{K}$  has some nice properties. We give some applications of this result when  $\mathcal{K}$  is the class of all metrizable compact spaces.

The following notion was introduced by Sokolov [10].

**Definition 3.1.** Given a family of spaces  $\{X_t : t \in T\}$ , let  $X = \prod\{X_t : t \in T\}$  and fix a point  $a \in X$ . Suppose that  $s = \{T_n : n \in \omega\}$  is a sequence of subsets of  $T$ . Given  $x \in X$  denote by  $\Omega_x$  the set  $\{n \in \omega : |\text{supp}(x, T_n)| < \omega\}$ . The subspace  $Z = \{x \in X : T = \bigcup\{T_n : n \in \Omega_x\}\}$  of  $X$  is called the  $\Sigma_s$ -product of the family  $\{X_t : t \in T\}$  centered at  $a$ .

**Remark 3.2.** Given a product  $X = \prod\{X_t : t \in T\}$ , a fixed point  $a$  in  $X$ , and a sequence  $s = \{T_n : n \in \omega\}$  of subsets of  $T$ , let us observe that:

- (a) if  $x$  is an element of the  $\Sigma_s$ -product of the family  $\{X_t : t \in T\}$  centered at  $a$ , it follows from  $T = \bigcup\{T_n : n \in \Omega_x\}$  that  $\text{supp}(x) = \bigcup\{\text{supp}(x, T_n) : n \in \Omega_x\}$  and hence  $|\text{supp}(x)| \leq \omega$ ;
- (b) if  $s^*$  is a sequence of subsets of  $T$  with  $s \subset s^*$ , then the  $\Sigma_s$ -product of the family  $\{X_t : t \in T\}$  centered at  $a$  is contained in the  $\Sigma_{s^*}$ -product of the family  $\{X_t : t \in T\}$  centered at  $a$ .

We will use the following characterization of  $L\Sigma(\mathcal{K})$ -spaces [7]: given a class  $\mathcal{K}$  of compact spaces, a space  $X$  is an  $L\Sigma(\mathcal{K})$ -space if and only if there is a cover  $\mathcal{C}$  of  $X$  such that  $\mathcal{C} \subset \mathcal{K}$  and a countable network  $\mathcal{N}$  with respect to  $\mathcal{C}$ .

We are ready to prove the main result of this section.

**Theorem 3.3.** *Let  $\mathcal{K}$  be a class of compact spaces closed with respect to finite unions, closed subspaces and countable products. Then any  $\Sigma_s$ -product of at most  $\mathfrak{c}$ -many  $L\Sigma(\mathcal{K})$ -spaces is also an  $L\Sigma(\mathcal{K})$ -space.*

PROOF: Consider a family  $\{X_t : t \in T\}$  of  $L\Sigma(\mathcal{K})$ -spaces with  $|T| \leq \mathfrak{c}$ . Let  $X = \prod\{X_t : t \in T\}$ , fix a point  $a \in X$  and consider a sequence  $s = \{T_n : n \in \omega\}$  of subsets of  $T$ . Denote by  $Z$  the  $\Sigma_s$ -product of the family  $\{X_t : t \in T\}$  centered

at  $a$ . We can assume that  $T \cap \omega = \emptyset$ . Given  $t \in T$ , choose a cover  $\mathcal{C}_t$  of  $X_t$  such that  $\mathcal{C}_t \subset \mathcal{K}$  and a countable network  $\mathcal{N}_t$  with respect to  $\mathcal{C}_t$ . We can assume that  $\mathcal{C}_t$  and  $\mathcal{N}_t$  are closed under finite intersections,  $\{a(t)\} \in \mathcal{C}_t \cap \mathcal{N}_t$ , and  $a(t) \in C_t \cap N_t$  for every  $C_t \in \mathcal{C}_t$  and  $N_t \in \mathcal{N}_t$ . Choose an enumeration  $\{N_{t,m} : m \in \omega\}$  of  $\mathcal{N}_t$ .

Pick  $n \in \omega$ . Denote by  $Y_n$  the  $\sigma$ -product in  $\prod\{X_t : t \in T_n\}$  centered at  $p_{T_n}(a)$ . Let  $\mathcal{C}_n$  be the family of all sets of the form  $\prod\{C_t : t \in T_n\}$  for which  $C_t \in \mathcal{C}_t$  for  $t \in G$  and  $C_t = \{a(t)\}$  for  $t \in T_n \setminus G$ , where  $G$  is a finite subset of  $T_n$ . It is clear that  $\mathcal{C}_n$  is a cover of  $Y_n$  and  $\mathcal{C}_n \subset \mathcal{K}$ . Since  $|T_n| \leq \mathfrak{c}$ , we can find a countable family  $\mathcal{B}_n$  of subsets of  $T_n$  such that for any finite set  $F \subset T_n$  there exists a pairwise disjoint family  $\{B_t : t \in F\} \subset \mathcal{B}_n$  such that  $t \in B_t$  for each  $t \in F$ . Given a finite pairwise disjoint family  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{B}_n$  and  $u : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \omega$  let  $N_{\mathcal{F},u,n} = \prod\{N_t : t \in T_n\}$  where  $N_t = N_{t,u(B)}$  if  $t \in B$  for some  $B \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $N_t = \{a(t)\}$  if  $t \in T_n \setminus \bigcup \mathcal{F}$ . Let  $\mathcal{N}_n = \{Y_n \cap N_{\mathcal{F},u,n} : \mathcal{F} \text{ is a finite pairwise disjoint subfamily of } \mathcal{B}_n \text{ and } u : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \omega\}$ . Let us observe that  $\mathcal{N}_n$  is a countable family of subsets of  $Y_n$ .

**Claim 1.** The family  $\mathcal{N}_n$  is a network with respect to  $\mathcal{C}_n$ .

Choose  $C \in \mathcal{C}_n$  and suppose that  $C \subset U \cap Y_n$  for some open set  $U$  in  $\prod\{X_t : t \in T_n\}$ . Choose a finite set  $G \subset T_n$  such that  $C = \prod\{C_t : t \in T_n\}$  where  $C_t \in \mathcal{C}_t$  for  $t \in G$  and  $C_t = \{a(t)\}$  for  $t \in T_n \setminus G$ . By [4, Theorem 3.2.10] we can find a finite set  $F \subset T_n$  and open sets  $U_t$  in  $X_t$  for  $t \in F$  in such a way that  $C \subset \bigcap\{p_t^{-1}(U_t) : t \in F\} \subset U$  (here  $p_t$  denotes the projection from  $\prod\{X_t : t \in T_n\}$  onto  $X_t$ ). We can assume that  $G \subset F$ . By the choice of  $\mathcal{B}_n$  we can find a pairwise disjoint family  $\mathcal{F} = \{B_t : t \in F\} \subset \mathcal{B}_n$  such that  $t \in B_t$  for each  $t \in F$ . Given  $t \in F$ , since  $C_t \subset U_t$ , we can find  $m_t \in \omega$  such that  $C_t \subset N_{t,m_t} \subset U_t$ . Define a function  $u : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \omega$  by  $u(B_t) = m_t$  for each  $B_t \in \mathcal{F}$ . Then  $C \subset N_{\mathcal{F},u,n} \subset U$  and hence  $C \subset N_{\mathcal{F},u,n} \cap Y_n \subset U \cap Y_n$ , where  $N_{\mathcal{F},u,n} \cap Y_n \in \mathcal{N}_n$ . So we have proved Claim 1.

Now we are ready to show that  $Z$  is an  $L\Sigma(\mathcal{K})$ -space. Let  $\mathcal{A} = \{A \subset \omega : T = \bigcup\{T_n : n \in A\}\}$ . Consider the family  $\mathcal{C}$  of all sets of the form  $\bigcap\{p_{T_n}^{-1}(C_n) : n \in A\}$  where  $C_n \in \mathcal{C}_n$  for each  $n \in A$  and  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ , and the family  $\mathcal{N}$  of all sets of the form  $Z \cap \bigcap\{p_{T_n}^{-1}(N_n) : n \in B\}$  where  $N_n \in \mathcal{N}_n$  for  $n \in B$  and  $B$  is a finite subset of  $\omega$ . Observe that  $\mathcal{N}$  is a countable family of subsets of  $Z$ .

**Claim 2.**  $\mathcal{C}$  is a family of subsets of  $Z$ ,  $\mathcal{C} \subset \mathcal{K}$  and  $\mathcal{C}$  is a cover of  $Z$ .

Pick  $C \in \mathcal{C}$ . Choose  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $C_n \in \mathcal{C}_n$ , for each  $n \in A$ , for which  $C = \bigcap\{p_{T_n}^{-1}(C_n) : n \in A\}$ . Pick  $x \in C$ . Given  $n \in A$ , it follows from  $p_{T_n}(x) \in C_n \subset Y_n$  that  $n \in \Omega_x$ . Hence  $A \subset \Omega_x$ . Since  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ , we have the equalities  $T = \bigcup\{T_n : n \in A\} = \bigcup\{T_n : n \in \Omega_x\}$ , that is,  $x \in Z$ . Hence  $C \subset Z$ . On the other hand,  $C_n = \prod\{C_t^n : t \in T_n\}$  where  $C_t^n \in \mathcal{C}_t$  for  $t \in G_n$  and  $C_t^n = \{a(t)\}$  for  $t \in T_n \setminus G_n$ , where  $G_n$  is a finite subset of  $T_n$ . Observe that  $C = \prod\{C_t : t \in T\}$  where  $C_t = \bigcap\{C_t^n : t \in T_n \text{ and } n \in A\}$ . It is clear that  $C$  is a compact space; consider the set  $G = \bigcup\{G_n : n \in \omega\}$  and note that if  $t \in T \setminus G$  we can choose  $n_t \in A$  for which  $t \in T_{n_t}$  and hence  $C_t = C_t^{n_t} = \{a(t)\}$ . It follows that  $p_G : C \rightarrow \prod\{C_t : t \in G\}$  is a homeomorphism, so  $C \in \mathcal{K}$ .

Now we will prove that  $\mathcal{C}$  is a cover of  $Z$ . Pick  $x \in Z$ . It is clear that  $\Omega_x \in \mathcal{A}$ . Given  $n \in \Omega_x$  we know that  $p_{T_n}(x) \in Y_n$  and hence we can choose  $C_n \in \mathcal{C}_n$  such that  $p_{T_n}(x) \in C_n$ . Let  $C = \bigcap \{p_{T_n}^{-1}(C_n) : n \in \Omega_x\}$ . It is clear that  $x \in C$  and  $C \in \mathcal{C}$ . Therefore  $\mathcal{C}$  is a cover of  $Z$ .

**Claim 3.** The family  $\mathcal{N}$  is a network with respect to the cover  $\mathcal{C}$ .

Pick  $C \in \mathcal{C}$  and let  $U$  be an open set in  $X$  with  $C \subset U \cap Z$ . Choose  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $C_n \in \mathcal{C}_n$  for each  $n \in A$ , in such a way that  $C = \bigcap \{p_{T_n}^{-1}(C_n) : n \in A\}$ . It follows from  $C_n \in \mathcal{C}_n$  that  $C_n = \prod \{C_t^n : t \in T_n\}$  where  $C_t^n \in \mathcal{C}_t$  for  $t \in G_n$  and  $C_t^n = \{a(t)\}$  for  $t \in T_n \setminus G_n$ , where  $G_n$  is a finite subset of  $T_n$ . Let us observe that  $C = \prod \{C_t : t \in T\}$  where  $C_t = \bigcap \{C_t^n : t \in T_n \text{ and } n \in A\}$ . By [4, Theorem 3.2.10] there is an open set  $U_t$  in  $X_t$ , for each  $t \in T$ , and a finite subset  $F$  of  $T$  such that  $U_t = X_t$  for  $t \in T \setminus F$  and  $C \subset \prod \{U_t : t \in T\} \subset U$ . Given  $t \in T$ , since  $C_t = \bigcap \{C_t^n : t \in T_n \text{ and } n \in A\} \subset U_t$ , we can find a finite subfamily  $\mathcal{D}_t$  of  $\{C_t^n : t \in T_n \text{ and } n \in A\} \subset \mathcal{C}_t$  such that  $C_t \subset D_t \subset U_t$  where  $D_t = \bigcap \mathcal{D}_t$ . Since  $\mathcal{C}_t$  is closed under finite intersections,  $D_t \in \mathcal{C}_t$ . Given  $n \in A$  let  $D_n = \prod \{D_t^n : t \in T_n\}$  where  $D_t^n = D_t \in \mathcal{C}_t$  for  $t \in G_n$  and  $D_t^n = \{a(t)\}$  for  $t \in T_n \setminus G_n$ . It is clear that  $C_n \subset D_n$ . Also, observe that  $D_n \in \mathcal{C}_n$  and  $D_n \subset U_n$  where  $U_n = \prod \{U_t : t \in T_n\}$ . By Claim 1 we can choose  $N_n \in \mathcal{N}_n$  such that  $D_n \subset N_n \subset U_n$ . Since  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ , there exists a finite subset  $B \subset A$  such that  $F \subset \bigcup \{T_n : n \in B\}$ . Finally note that

$$C \subset \bigcap_{n \in B} p_{T_n}^{-1}(C_n) \subset \bigcap_{n \in B} p_{T_n}^{-1}(D_n) \subset \bigcap_{n \in B} p_{T_n}^{-1}(N_n) \subset \bigcap_{n \in B} p_{T_n}^{-1}(U_n) = \prod_{t \in T} U_t \subset U.$$

Hence  $C \subset N \subset U \cap Z$  where  $N = Z \cap \bigcap \{p_{T_n}^{-1}(N_n) : n \in B\} \in \mathcal{N}$ . We have proved Claim 3.

It follows from Claims 2 and 3 that  $Z$  is an  $L\Sigma(\mathcal{K})$ -space. □

The classes of compact spaces and second countable spaces are closed with respect to finite unions, closed subspaces and countable products. Therefore we have the following corollaries.

**Corollary 3.4.** Any  $\Sigma_s$ -product of at most  $\mathfrak{c}$ -many Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -spaces is a Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space.

**Corollary 3.5.** Any  $\Sigma_s$ -product of at most  $\mathfrak{c}$ -many  $L\Sigma(\leq \omega)$ -spaces is an  $L\Sigma(\leq \omega)$ -space.

It was proved in [10] that a compact space  $X$  is Gul'ko compact if and only if  $X$  embeds into a  $\Sigma_s$ -product of real lines. Since the real line is clearly an  $L\Sigma(\leq \omega)$ -space and the  $L\Sigma(\leq \omega)$ -property is inherited by closed subspaces, we have the following consequence.

**Corollary 3.6** ([8]). Every Gul'ko compact space of cardinality  $\leq \mathfrak{c}$  is an  $L\Sigma(\leq \omega)$ -space.

Recall that a compact space  $X$  is *Eberlein compact* if  $X$  is homeomorphic to a subspace of  $C_p(K)$  for some compact space  $K$ . It is well known that every Eberlein compact space is a Gul'ko compact space. This shows that we have the following corollary.

**Corollary 3.7** ([12]). *Let  $X$  be an Eberlein compact space of cardinality not exceeding continuum. Then  $X$  is an  $L\Sigma(\leq \omega)$ -space.*

Now we will prove a result about the  $L\Sigma(\leq \omega)$ -property in function spaces (see [17, Theorem 2.10]).

**Corollary 3.8.** *If  $X$  is a space such that  $|X| \leq \mathfrak{c}$  and  $C_p(X)$  is a Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space, then  $C_p(X)$  is an  $L\Sigma(\leq \omega)$ -space.*

PROOF: Because of [9, Theorem 3.5] and [13, Theorem 2.3] both  $vX$  and  $C_p(vX)$  are Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -spaces. Apply [17, Proposition 2.8] to see that  $|C_p(vX)| \leq \mathfrak{c}$ . It follows from [9, Corollary 2.11] that  $C_p(C_p(vX))$  is a Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space. Now we can apply [14, Corollary 4.12] to see that the space  $C_p(vX)$  can be condensed in a  $\Sigma_s$ -product of real lines. Since  $|C_p(vX)| \leq \mathfrak{c}$ , the space  $C_p(vX)$  can be condensed in a  $\Sigma_s$ -product  $Z$  of at most  $\mathfrak{c}$ -many copies of the real line. Because of Corollary 3.5 the space  $Z$  is an  $L\Sigma(\leq \omega)$ -space. Apply [8, Corollary 2.2] and [8, Lemma 2.3] to conclude that  $C_p(vX)$  is an  $L\Sigma(\leq \omega)$ -space. The space  $C_p(X)$ , being a continuous image of  $C_p(vX)$ , is also an  $L\Sigma(\leq \omega)$ -space.  $\square$

#### 4. Monotone monolithicity and the Collins-Roscoe property in $\Sigma_s$ -products

In this section we prove that the classes of monotonically monolithic spaces and Collins-Roscoe spaces are closed under  $\Sigma_s$ -products. We apply these results to prove some known results about monotone monolithicity and the Collins-Roscoe property.

First we will deal with monotonically monolithic spaces. The following concepts were introduced by Tkachuk [16].

**Definition 4.1.** Given a subset  $A$  of a space  $X$  we say that a family  $\mathcal{N}$  of subsets of  $X$  is an *external network* of  $A$  in  $X$  if for each  $x \in A$  and each open subset  $U$  of  $X$  with  $x \in U$  there is  $N \in \mathcal{N}$  such that  $x \in N \subset U$ .

**Definition 4.2.** We say that a space  $X$  is *monotonically monolithic* if to each  $A \subset X$  we can assign an external network  $\mathcal{N}(A)$  of  $\text{cl}(A)$  in  $X$  such that:

- (a)  $|\mathcal{N}(A)| \leq \max\{|A|, \omega\}$ ;
- (b) if  $A \subset B \subset X$ , then  $\mathcal{N}(A) \subset \mathcal{N}(B)$ ;
- (c) if  $\{A_\alpha : \alpha < \gamma\}$  is a family of subsets of  $X$  with  $A_\alpha \subset A_\beta$  for  $\alpha < \beta < \gamma$ , then  $\mathcal{N}(\bigcup\{A_\alpha : \alpha < \gamma\}) = \bigcup\{\mathcal{N}(A_\alpha) : \alpha < \gamma\}$ .

The following equivalence of monotone monolithicity, which turned out to be very useful, was obtained by Gruenhage [5] and Guo and Junnila [6].

**Theorem 4.3.** *A space  $X$  is monotonically monolithic if and only if to each finite subset  $F$  of  $X$  we can assign a countable collection  $\mathcal{N}(F)$  of subsets of  $X$  such that, for each subset  $A$  of  $X$ , the family  $\bigcup\{\mathcal{N}(F) : F \in [A]^{<\omega}\}$  is an external network of  $\text{cl}(A)$  in  $X$ .*

Given a sequence  $s$  of subsets of a set  $T$ , we define a relation  $\sim$  on  $T$  as follows: we say that  $t_1 \sim t_2$  if, for every  $E \in s$ , we have  $t_1 \in E$  if and only if  $t_2 \in E$ .

**Lemma 4.4.** *Suppose that  $s$  is a sequence of subsets of a set  $T$ , which is closed under complements and finite intersections. Assume that  $H_1, \dots, H_n \in [T]^{<\omega}$  is a family of non-empty sets such that if  $t_i \in H_i$  and  $t_j \in H_j$  then  $t_i \sim t_j$  if and only if  $i = j$ . Then we can find a disjoint family  $\{E_1, \dots, E_n\} \subset s$  such that  $H_i \subset E_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .*

PROOF: If  $n = 2$ , for  $t_1 \in H_1$  and  $t_2 \in H_2$  we can find  $E \in s$  such that  $t_1 \in E$  and  $t_2 \in T \setminus E$ . Let  $E_1 = E$  and  $E_2 = T \setminus E$ . Then,  $\{E_1, E_2\}$  satisfies the required conditions. For  $n > 2$  take  $H_1, \dots, H_n$  as in the Lemma. For every  $i, j \leq n$  with  $i \neq j$ , take a disjoint family  $\{E_{ij}, E_{ij}^*\} \subset s$  such that  $H_i \subset E_{ij}$  and  $H_j \subset E_{ij}^*$ . Now take  $E_i = \bigcap\{E_{ij} \cap E_{ji}^* : j \leq n \text{ and } j \neq i\}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Then the family  $\{E_1, \dots, E_n\} \subset s$  is pairwise disjoint and  $H_i \subset E_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .  $\square$

We are ready to show that monotone monolithicity is closed under  $\Sigma_s$ -products.

**Theorem 4.5.** *Every  $\Sigma_s$ -product of monotonically monolithic spaces is monotonically monolithic.*

PROOF: Suppose that  $X_t$  is monotonically monolithic and fix the respective operator  $\mathcal{N}_t$  as in Theorem 4.3 and  $\mathcal{N}_t(\emptyset) = \emptyset$  for every  $t \in T$ . Let  $X = \prod\{X_t : t \in T\}$  and fix a point  $a \in X$ . Suppose that  $s = \{T_n : n \in \omega\}$  is a sequence of subsets of  $T$ . We must prove that the  $\Sigma_s$ -product  $Z$  of the family  $\{X_t : t \in T\}$  centered at  $a$  is monotonically monolithic. Since monotone monolithicity is a hereditary property, by Remark 3.2 (b), we can assume that the family  $s$  is closed under complements and finite intersections. Let  $\mathcal{E}(s) = \{\{E_1, \dots, E_n\} \in [s]^{<\omega} : E_i \cap E_j = \emptyset \text{ for } i \neq j\}$ .

We shall construct a monotonic monolithicity operator in  $Z$ . Pick a finite set  $F \subset Z$ . Given a set  $E \subset T$  because of Remark 3.2(a) the set  $\text{supp}(F, E)$  is countable. Let  $\mathcal{N}_E(F)$  be the family of all sets of the form  $\prod\{N_t : t \in E\}$ , where  $N_t \in \mathcal{N}_t(p_t(F))$  if  $t \in G$  and  $N_t = \{a(t)\}$  if  $t \in E \setminus G$  for some finite subset  $G$  of  $\text{supp}(F, E)$ . Notice that  $\mathcal{N}_E(F)$  is countable. Finally, let

$$\mathcal{N}(F) = \left\{ Z \cap \bigcap_{E \in \mathcal{F}} p_E^{-1}(N_E) : \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{E}(s) \text{ and } N_E \in \mathcal{N}_E(F) \text{ for every } E \in \mathcal{F} \right\}.$$

Since  $\mathcal{E}(s)$  and  $\mathcal{N}_E(F)$  for each  $E \in s$  are countable, the family  $\mathcal{N}(F)$  is also countable. We shall prove that the operator  $\mathcal{N}$  satisfies the conditions in Theorem 4.3.



**Claim.** For every  $A \subset Z$  the family  $\bigcup\{\mathcal{N}(F) : F \in [A]^{<\omega}\}$  is an external network of  $\text{cl}_Z(A)$  in  $Z$ .

Pick  $A \subset Z$ ,  $x \in \text{cl}_Z(A)$  and an open set  $U$  in  $Z$  with  $x \in U$ . We shall prove that there exist  $F \in [A]^{<\omega}$  and  $N \in \mathcal{N}(F)$  such that  $x \in N \subset U$ . Choose a finite set  $H \subset T$  and a family  $\{W_t : t \in H\}$  such that  $W_t$  is open in  $X_t$  for every  $t \in H$  and  $x \in W \subset U$  for  $W = Z \cap \bigcap\{p_t^{-1}(W_t) : t \in H\}$ . We can assume that  $a(t) \notin W_t$  if  $x(t) \neq a(t)$ . Let  $\{H_1, \dots, H_n\}$  be a partition of  $H$  such that if  $t_i \in H_i$  and  $t_j \in H_j$  then  $t_i \sim t_j$  if and only if  $i = j$ . By Lemma 4.4 we can obtain a pairwise disjoint family  $\{E_1^*, \dots, E_n^*\} \in \mathcal{E}(s)$  such that  $H_i \subset E_i^*$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .

Take  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  and fix  $t_i \in H_i$ . It follows from  $x \in Z$  that  $T = \bigcup\{T_m : m \in \Omega_x\}$ . Hence we can find  $T_{m_i} \in s$  such that  $t_i \in T_{m_i}$  and  $|\text{supp}(x, T_{m_i})| < \omega$ . Let  $E_i = E_i^* \cap T_{m_i}$ ,  $G_i = \text{supp}(x, E_i)$  and  $K_i = G_i \cup H_i$ . Using the definition of  $\sim$  we can see that  $K_i \subset E_i$ . For every  $t \in G_i \setminus H_i$  let  $W_t = X_t \setminus \{a(t)\}$ . Notice that  $a(t) \notin W_t$  and  $x(t) \in W_t$  for every  $t \in G_i$ . Let  $B_i = A \cap \bigcap\{p_t^{-1}(W_t) : t \in G_i\}$ . Then  $x \in \text{cl}_Z(B_i)$ ; observe that  $G_i \subset \text{supp}(z, E_i)$  for every  $z \in B_i$  and pick  $t \in G_i$ . Then  $x(t) \in \text{cl}_{X_t}(p_t(B_i))$ . By the choice of  $\mathcal{N}_t$ , the family  $\bigcup\{\mathcal{N}_t(p_t(F)) : F \in [B_i]^{<\omega}\}$  is an external network for  $\text{cl}_{X_t}(p_t(B_i))$  in  $X_t$ . Then we can choose a non-empty finite set  $F_t \subset B_i$  and  $N_t \in \mathcal{N}_t(p_t(F_t))$  such that  $x(t) \in N_t \subset W_t$ . Let  $F_i = \bigcup\{F_t : t \in G_i\} \subset B_i$ . For  $t \in E_i \setminus G_i$  let  $N_t = \{a(t)\}$ . Choose  $N_{E_i} = \prod\{N_t : t \in E_i\}$ . It follows from  $F_i \subset B_i$  that  $G_i$  is a finite subset of  $\text{supp}(F_i, E_i)$ . Hence  $N_{E_i} \in \mathcal{N}_{E_i}(F_i)$ . Note that  $x \in p_{E_i}^{-1}(N_{E_i}) \subset \bigcap\{p_t^{-1}(W_t) : t \in K_i\}$ .

Finally, it is clear that  $\mathcal{F} = \{E_1, \dots, E_n\} \in \mathcal{E}(s)$  and  $F = \bigcup\{F_i : i = 1, \dots, n\}$  is a finite subset of  $A$ . Let  $N = Z \cap \bigcap\{p_E^{-1}(N_E) : E \in \mathcal{F}\}$ . Since  $N_{E_i} \in \mathcal{N}_{E_i}(F_i) \subset \mathcal{N}_{E_i}(F)$ , for every  $E_i \in \mathcal{F}$ , we conclude that  $N \in \mathcal{N}(F)$ . It is clear that  $x \in N$ . Besides, for  $K = \bigcup\{K_i : i = 1, \dots, n\}$  we have  $H \subset K$  and

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^n p_{E_i}^{-1}(N_{E_i}) \subset \bigcap_{i=1}^n \bigcap_{t \in K_i} p_t^{-1}(W_t) = \bigcap_{t \in K} p_t^{-1}(W_t) \subset \bigcap_{t \in H} p_t^{-1}(W_t).$$

So  $N = Z \cap \bigcap\{p_{E_i}^{-1}(N_{E_i}) : i = 1, \dots, n\} \subset Z \cap \bigcap\{p_t^{-1}(W_t) : t \in H\} = W \subset U$ .  $\square$

Let  $\{X_t : t \in T\}$  be a family of spaces,  $a$  a point in  $\prod\{X_t : t \in T\}$  and  $s = \{T_n : n \in \omega\}$  a sequence of subsets of  $T$ . Observe that if  $T_n = T$ , for each  $n \in \omega$ , then the  $\Sigma_s$ -product of the family  $\{X_t : t \in T\}$  centered at  $a$  coincides with the  $\sigma$ -product of the family  $\{X_t : t \in T\}$  centered at  $a$ . On the other hand, if  $T = \{t_n : n \in \omega\}$  is countable and  $T_n = \{t_n\}$ , for each  $n \in \omega$ , then the  $\Sigma_s$ -product of the family  $\{X_t : t \in T\}$  centered at  $a$  coincides with the countable product  $\prod\{X_t : t \in T\}$ . This gives the following corollaries.

**Corollary 4.6** ([1]). *Every  $\sigma$ -product of monotonically monolithic spaces is monotonically monolithic.*

**Corollary 4.7** ([16]). *Every countable product of monotonically monolithic spaces is monotonically monolithic.*

We finish this section by proving that every  $\Sigma_s$ -product of a family of Collins-Roscoe spaces shares this property. First, we recall the definition [3].

**Definition 4.8.** Given a space  $X$ , assume that for every point  $x \in X$  a countable family  $\mathcal{G}(x)$  of subsets of  $X$  is chosen. Say that  $\{\mathcal{G}(x) : x \in X\}$  is a *Collins-Roscoe collection* if for any  $x \in X$  and each open set  $U$  in  $X$  which contains  $x$  we can find an open set  $V$  such that  $x \in V \subset U$  and for any  $y \in V$  there exists a set  $P \in \mathcal{G}(y)$  with  $x \in P \subset U$ . If a space  $X$  has a Collins-Roscoe collection then we will say that  $X$  has the *Collins-Roscoe property*.

**Remark 4.9.** Let  $X = \prod\{X_t : t \in F\}$  be a finite product. Suppose that for each  $t \in F$  the family  $\{\mathcal{G}_t(x_t) : x_t \in X_t\}$  is a Collins-Roscoe collection for  $X_t$ . For each  $x \in X$  let  $\mathcal{G}(x)$  be the family of all sets of the form  $\prod\{G_t : t \in F\}$ , where  $G_t \in \mathcal{G}_t(x(t))$  for each  $t \in F$ . Then  $\{\mathcal{G}(x) : x \in X\}$  is a Collins-Roscoe collection for the space  $X$ .

Gruenhage established in [5] the following equivalence of the Collins-Roscoe property which turned out to be very useful.

**Theorem 4.10.** *A collection  $\{\mathcal{G}(x) : x \in X\}$  of countable families of subsets of a space  $X$  is a Collins-Roscoe collection if and only if for any set  $A \subset X$ , the family  $\bigcup\{\mathcal{G}(x) : x \in A\}$  contains an external network for  $\text{cl}(A)$ .*

**Theorem 4.11.** *Every  $\Sigma_s$ -product of Collins-Roscoe spaces has the Collins-Roscoe property.*

PROOF: Let  $\{\mathcal{G}_t(x_t) : x_t \in X_t\}$  be a Collins-Roscoe collection in  $X_t$ , for every  $t \in T$ . Suppose that  $X$ ,  $a$ ,  $s$ ,  $Z$  and  $\mathcal{E}(s)$  are as in the proof of Theorem 4.5. We must prove that  $Z$  has the Collins-Roscoe property. Since the Collins-Roscoe property is inherited by arbitrary subspaces, because of Remark 3.2(b), we can assume that the family  $s$  is closed under complements and finite intersections. We shall construct a Collins-Roscoe collection in  $Z$ . Pick  $x \in Z$ . Given  $E \subset T$ , by Remark 3.2(a) the set  $\text{supp}(x, E)$  is countable. Let  $\mathcal{G}_E(x)$  be the family of all sets of the form  $\prod\{G_t : t \in E\}$ , where  $G_t \in \mathcal{G}_t(x(t))$  for  $t \in F$ ,  $G_t = \{a(t)\}$  for  $t \in E \setminus F$  and  $F$  is a finite subset of  $\text{supp}(x, E)$ . Note that the family  $\mathcal{G}_E(x)$  is countable. Finally, let

$$\mathcal{G}(x) = \left\{ Z \cap \bigcap_{E \in \mathcal{F}} p_E^{-1}(G_E) : \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{E}(s) \text{ and } G_E \in \mathcal{G}_E(x) \text{ for every } E \in \mathcal{F} \right\}.$$

Since  $\mathcal{E}(s)$  and  $\mathcal{G}_E(x)$ , for each  $E \in s$ , are countable, the family  $\mathcal{G}(x)$  is also countable. By Theorem 4.10 it is sufficient to prove the following claim.

**Claim.** For every  $A \subset Z$  the family  $\bigcup\{\mathcal{G}(x) : x \in A\}$  is an external network of  $\text{cl}_Z(A)$  in  $Z$ .

Pick  $A \subset Z$ ,  $x \in \text{cl}_Z(A)$  and an open set  $U$  in  $Z$  with  $x \in U$ . We shall prove that there exist  $z \in A$  and  $G \in \mathcal{G}(z)$  with  $x \in G \subset U$ . Choose a finite set  $H \subset T$  and a family  $\{W_t : t \in H\}$  such that  $W_t$  is open in  $X_t$  for every  $t \in H$  and

$x \in W \subset U$  for  $W = Z \cap \bigcap \{p_t^{-1}(W_t) : t \in H\}$ . We can assume that  $a(t) \notin W_t$  if  $x(t) \neq a(t)$ . Let  $\{H_1, \dots, H_n\}$  be a partition of  $H$  such that if  $t_i \in H_i$  and  $t_j \in H_j$  then  $t_i \sim t_j$  if and only if  $i = j$ . Applying Lemma 4.4 we can obtain a pairwise disjoint family  $\{E_1^*, \dots, E_n^*\} \in \mathcal{E}(s)$  such that  $H_i \subset E_i^*$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .

Given  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , pick any  $t_i \in H_i$ . Since  $x \in Z$ , we have  $T = \bigcup \{T_m : m \in \Omega_x\}$  and so we can fix  $T_{m_i} \in s$  such that  $t_i \in T_{m_i}$  and  $|\text{supp}(x, T_{m_i})| < \omega$ . Let  $E_i = E_i^* \cap T_{m_i}$ ,  $F_i = \text{supp}(x, E_i)$  and  $K_i = H_i \cup F_i$ . By the definition of  $\sim$ , we have  $K_i \subset E_i$ ; observe that also  $\{E_1, \dots, E_n\} \in \mathcal{E}(s)$ . For every  $t \in F_i \setminus H_i$  let  $W_t = X_t \setminus \{a(t)\}$ . Note that  $a(t) \notin W_t$  and  $x(t) \in W_t$  for every  $t \in F_i$ .

Let  $F = \bigcup \{F_i : i = 1, \dots, n\}$ ,  $W^* = Z \cap \bigcap \{p_t^{-1}(W_t) : t \in F\}$  and  $B = A \cap W^*$ . It follows from  $x \in W^*$  that  $x \in \text{cl}_Z(B)$ . Let  $X_F = \prod \{X_t : t \in F\}$ ; it is clear that  $p_F(x) \in \text{cl}_{X_F}(p_F(B)) \cap p_F(W^*)$ . Let us observe that  $F_i \subset \text{supp}(z, E_i)$  for every  $z \in B$  and  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . For each  $y \in X_F$ , let  $\mathcal{G}_F(y)$  be the family of all sets of the form  $\prod \{G_t : t \in F\}$  where  $G_t \in \mathcal{G}_t(y(t))$  for each  $t \in F$ . It follows from Remark 4.9, that the family  $\{\mathcal{G}_F(y) : y \in X_F\}$  is a Collins-Roscoe collection in  $X_F$ . By Theorem 4.10 the family  $\bigcup \{\mathcal{G}_F(y) : y \in p_F(B)\}$  is an external network of  $\text{cl}_{X_F}(p_F(B))$  in  $X_F$ . Since  $p_F(x) \in \text{cl}_{X_F}(p_F(B)) \cap p_F(W^*)$ , there are  $z \in B$  and  $G_t \in \mathcal{G}_t(z(t))$ , for each  $t \in F$ , such that  $p_F(x) \in \prod \{G_t : t \in F\} \subset p_F(W^*) = \prod \{W_t : t \in F\}$ . It follows that  $p_t(x) \in G_t \subset W_t$  for any  $t \in F_i$  and  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .

Given  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  let  $G_{E_i} = \prod \{G_t : t \in E_i\}$ , where  $G_t = \{a(t)\}$  for  $t \in E_i \setminus F_i$  and  $G_t$  is as above if  $t \in F_i$ . Observe that  $p_{E_i}(x) \in G_{E_i}$  and  $p_{K_i}(G_{E_i}) \subset \prod \{W_t : t \in K_i\}$ . Since  $z \in B$ ,  $F_i \subset \text{supp}(z, E_i)$  and so  $G_{E_i} \in \mathcal{G}_{E_i}(z)$ . We know that  $\mathcal{F} = \{E_1, \dots, E_n\} \in \mathcal{E}(s)$ , so  $G = Z \cap \bigcap \{p_E^{-1}(G_E) : E \in \mathcal{F}\} \in \mathcal{G}(z)$ . It is clear that  $x \in G$ . For  $K = \bigcup \{K_i : i = 1, \dots, n\}$  we have  $H \subset K$  and

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^n p_{E_i}^{-1}(G_{E_i}) \subset \bigcap_{i=1}^n p_{K_i}^{-1}(p_{K_i}(G_{E_i})) \subset \bigcap_{i=1}^n p_{K_i}^{-1} \left( \prod \{W_t : t \in K_i\} \right) = \bigcap_{t \in K} p_t^{-1}(W_t).$$

Therefore  $G = Z \cap \bigcap_{i=1}^n p_{E_i}^{-1}(G_{E_i}) \subset Z \cap \bigcap \{p_t^{-1}(W_t) : t \in H\} = W \subset U$ . □

Any second countable space has countable network weight and hence has the Collins-Roscoe property. As an immediate consequence, we obtain the following corollary.

**Corollary 4.12** ([15]). *Any  $\Sigma_s$ -product of second countable spaces has the Collins-Roscoe property.*

Recall that a compact space  $X$  is Gul'ko compact if and only if  $X$  embeds into a  $\Sigma_s$ -product of real lines. Since the Collins-Roscoe property is inherited by arbitrary subspaces, we have the following result.

**Corollary 4.13** ([5]). *Any Gul'ko compact space is a Collins-Roscoe space.*

The following results are particular cases of Theorem 4.11.

**Corollary 4.14** ([18]). *Every  $\sigma$ -product of Collins-Roscoe spaces has the Collins-Roscoe property.*

**Corollary 4.15** ([18]). *Every countable product of Collins-Roscoe spaces has the Collins-Roscoe property.*

Recall that a family  $\mathcal{A}$  of subsets of a space  $X$  is  $T_0$ -separating if for any distinct points  $x, y \in X$  there exists  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $A \cap \{x, y\}$  is a singleton. A family  $\mathcal{U} = \bigcup\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \omega\}$  of subsets of  $X$  is called *weakly  $\sigma$ -point-finite* if for any point  $x \in X$  we have the equality  $\mathcal{U} = \bigcup\{\mathcal{U}_n : \text{the family } \mathcal{U}_n \text{ is point-finite at } x\}$ .

**Corollary 4.16** ([18]). *Suppose that  $X$  is a Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space and there exists a weakly  $\sigma$ -point-finite  $T_0$ -separating family of cozero subsets of  $X$ . Then the space  $X$  has the Collins-Roscoe property.*

PROOF: Suppose that a family  $\mathcal{U}$  of cozero subsets of  $X$  is weakly  $\sigma$ -point-finite and  $T_0$ -separating. For any  $U \in \mathcal{U}$  take a continuous function  $f_U : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that  $U = f_U^{-1}((0, 1])$ ; then the diagonal product of the family  $\{f_U : U \in \mathcal{U}\}$  condenses  $X$  onto a subset  $Y$  of a  $\Sigma_s$ -product  $Z$  of real lines. It follows from Theorem 4.11 that  $Z$  is a Collins-Roscoe space. Since the Collins-Roscoe property is inherited by arbitrary subspaces,  $Y$  has the Collins-Roscoe property. Now we can apply [15, Theorem 3.1] to see that  $X$  has the Collins-Roscoe property.  $\square$

## 5. Simple spaces and the Collins-Roscoe property

Say that  $X$  is a *simple* space if  $X$  has at most one non-isolated point.

Recall that space  $X$  is Lindelöf  $\Sigma$  if and only if there is a compact cover  $\mathcal{C}$  of  $X$  and a countable family  $\mathcal{N}$  of subsets of  $X$  which is a network with respect to  $\mathcal{C}$ .

**Theorem 5.1.** *If  $X$  is a simple Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space, then there exists a topology  $\tau^*$  on the set  $X$  such that  $\tau(X) \subset \tau^*$ , the space  $X^* = (X, \tau^*)$  is Lindelöf  $\Sigma$  and  $C_p(X^*)$  is also Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ .*

PROOF: Since  $X$  is a Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space, we can fix a compact cover  $\mathcal{C}$  of the space  $X$  for which there exists a closed countable network  $\mathcal{N}$  with respect to  $\mathcal{C}$ . We can assume that  $X$  is uncountable. Denote by  $p$  the unique non-isolated point of  $X$ . We can assume that  $\mathcal{N}$  is closed under finite intersections and  $p \in C \cap N$  for each  $C \in \mathcal{C}$  and  $N \in \mathcal{N}$ . Let  $\mathcal{F} = \{A \subset X : p \in A \text{ and } X = \bigcup\{N \in \mathcal{N} : |N \setminus A| < \omega\}\}$ .

**Claim 1.**  $\tau(p, X) \subset \mathcal{F}$ .

Let  $U$  be a neighborhood of  $p$  in  $X$ . We need to show that  $X = \bigcup\{N \in \mathcal{N} : |N \setminus U| < \omega\}$ . Pick a point  $x \in X$  and choose  $C \in \mathcal{C}$  with  $x \in C$ . Clearly,  $F = C \setminus U$  is a finite set and  $U \cup F \in \tau(C, X)$ . Therefore we can choose  $N \in \mathcal{N}$  with  $C \subset N \subset U \cup F$ . It follows that  $x \in N$  and  $N \setminus U \subset F$  is a finite set. Hence  $X = \bigcup\{N \in \mathcal{N} : |N \setminus U| < \omega\}$ .

**Claim 2.**  $\mathcal{F}$  is a filter.

It is clear that  $\mathcal{F}$  is closed under supersets and does not contain the empty set. We shall prove that  $\mathcal{F}$  is closed under finite intersections. Pick  $A_1, A_2 \in \mathcal{F}$ . First observe that  $p \in A_1 \cap A_2$ . Given  $x \in X$  there exist  $N_1, N_2 \in \mathcal{N}$  for

which  $x \in N_1 \cap N_2$ ,  $|N_1 \setminus A_1| < \omega$  and  $|N_2 \setminus A_2| < \omega$ . Let  $N = N_1 \cap N_2$ . Then  $x \in N$  and since  $\mathcal{N}$  is closed under finite intersections,  $N \in \mathcal{N}$ . Besides  $N \setminus (A_1 \cap A_2) \subset (N_1 \setminus A_1) \cup (N_2 \setminus A_2)$  is a finite set. This shows that  $X = \bigcup\{N \in \mathcal{N} : |N \setminus (A_1 \cap A_2)| < \omega\}$ . Hence  $A_1 \cap A_2 \in \mathcal{F}$ . It follows from an induction argument that  $\mathcal{F}$  is closed under finite intersections.

Let  $T = X \setminus \{p\}$ . Define a topology  $\tau^*$  on  $X$  as follows: any point in  $T$  is declared isolated and  $\mathcal{F}$  is the system of open neighborhoods of  $p$ . Denote by  $X^*$  the space  $X$  endowed with the topology  $\tau^*$ . Because of Claim 2 the topology  $\tau^*$  is well defined, and because of Claim 1 the identity map  $i : X^* \rightarrow X$  is continuous.

**Claim 3.**  $X^*$  is a Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space.

For each  $x \in X^*$  let  $C_x = \bigcap\{N \in \mathcal{N} : x \in N\}$ ; consider the families  $\mathcal{C}^* = \{C_x : x \in X\}$  and  $\mathcal{N}^* = \mathcal{N}$ . First, we will prove that  $\mathcal{C}^*$  is a compact cover of  $X^*$ . It is clear that  $\mathcal{C}^*$  covers  $X^*$ . Pick  $C_x \in \mathcal{C}$ . Notice that  $p \in C_x$ . Let  $\mathcal{U} \subset \tau^*$  be an open cover of  $C_x$ . Choose  $U \in \mathcal{U}$  with  $p \in U$ . Since  $U \in \mathcal{F}$ , there exists  $N \in \mathcal{N}$  such that  $x \in N$  and  $|N \setminus U| < \omega$ . Notice that  $C_x \subset N$  and hence  $C_x \setminus U$  is finite. It follows that  $C_x$  can be covered by a finite subfamily of  $\mathcal{U}$ . Thus  $C_x$  is compact. We have proved that  $\mathcal{C}^*$  is a compact cover of  $X^*$ . Now we will prove that  $\mathcal{N}^*$  is a network with respect to  $\mathcal{C}^*$ . Pick  $C_x \in \mathcal{C}^*$  and take  $U \in \tau^*$  with  $C_x \subset U$ . It follows from  $p \in C_x$  that  $U \in \mathcal{F}$  and so there exists  $N_x \in \mathcal{N}$  such that  $x \in N_x$  and  $|N_x \setminus U| < \omega$ . For each  $y \in N_x \setminus U$  choose  $N_y \in \mathcal{N}$  such that  $C_x \subset N_y \subset X \setminus \{y\}$  and let  $N = N_x \cap \bigcap\{N_y : y \in N_x \setminus U\}$ . It follows that  $N \in \mathcal{N} = \mathcal{N}^*$  and  $C_x \subset N \subset U$ . This concludes the proof of this claim.

**Claim 4.**  $C_p(X^*)$  is a Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space.

Consider the set  $Q = \{f \in C_p(X^*, 2) : f(p) = 0\}$ . Let  $\{N_n : n \in \omega\}$  be a numeration of  $\mathcal{N}$  and let  $s = \{T_n : n \in \omega\}$  where  $T_n = N_n \cap T$  for each  $n \in \omega$ . It is clear that  $Q$  is homeomorphic to the  $\Sigma_s$ -product in  $2^T$  centered at zero. It follows from [15, Theorem 3.2] that  $Q$  has the Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -property. Since  $C_p(X^*, 2)$  is a union of two subspaces homeomorphic to  $Q$ , the space  $C_p(X^*, 2)$  also has the Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -property. By Claim 3 the space  $X^*$  is Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ ; being zero-dimensional, it embeds in  $C_p(C_p(X^*, 2))$  which, together with Okunev’s theorem [9, Corollary 2.11], implies that  $C_p(X^*)$  is a Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space. □

**Corollary 5.2.** *If  $X$  is a simple Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ -space, then  $C_p(X)$  has the Collins-Roscoe property.*

PROOF: By Theorem 5.1 there exists a topology  $\tau^*$  on the set  $X$  such that  $\tau(X) \subset \tau^*$ , the space  $X^* = (X, \tau^*)$  is Lindelöf  $\Sigma$  and  $C_p(X^*)$  is also Lindelöf  $\Sigma$ . It follows from [18, Corollary 2.15] that  $C_p(X^*)$  has the Collins-Roscoe property. Since the identity map  $i : X^* \rightarrow X$  is a condensation,  $C_p(X) \subset C_p(X^*)$ . Hence  $C_p(X)$  has the Collins-Roscoe property. □

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