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## INTRODUCTION

This is a collection of some product invariant properties of topological spaces. It is presented in three main parts, and the conclusion. The first part uses the product of two topological spaces, and it consists of both the properties that are given by a number of sources to be invariant as well as the verification of the invariance of others which were suggested in part by William J. Pervin [5, P. 134], and partly by Dr. R. E. Douglas Jones, the thesis advisor. Following this is a collection of properties of products in the general case and in the case involving finitely many spaces. The final part considers those properties which are preserved in the product of two spaces having different properties. In the conclusion the whole collection is given in two tables.

With the exception of definition 1.39 which derives from Hall and Spencer [2, P. 95] the definitions in part one are largely consistent with those of Pervin [5]; also, throughout the paper, the use of symbols is consistent with Pervin [5]. According to Mendelson [4] open sets of product spaces contain sets which consist of products of sets that are open in the coordinate spaces. Hence, in the space  $X_1 \times X_2$  an open set  $G$  contains an open set of the form  $G_1 \times G_2$  with  $G_i$  open in  $X_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . The contraction "iff" is used for the phrase "if and only if"; and the end of a proof is marked by the symbol  $\square$ . Wherever "I" appears as an index set it is intended to represent the positive integers.

The classical compactness properties are considered in this opening part of the paper as follows:

Definition 1.1. A subset  $E$  of a topological space  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is compact iff every open covering of  $E$  is reducible to a finite subcovering of  $E$ .

Theorem 1.2.  $X_1 \times X_2$  is compact iff  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are compact.

Proof. See Pervin [5, P. 133].

Definition 1.3. A topological space is countably compact iff every countable open cover has a finite subcover.

Theorem 1.4.  $X_1 \times X_2$  is countably compact iff  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are countably compact.

Proof. Let  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  be countably compact and let  $\{G_i \mid i \in I\}$  be a countable open cover for  $X_1 \times X_2$ . For every point  $(x_1, x_2)$  of  $X_1 \times X_2$  and open set  $G_i \in \{G_i\}$  containing it there are open sets  $G_1 \subseteq X_1, G_2 \subseteq X_2$  such that  $(x_1, x_2) \in G_1 \times G_2 \subseteq G_i$  for some  $i$ . For any fixed  $x'_2 \in X_2$  the countable family of sets  $\{G_1\}$  such that  $(x_1, x'_2) \in G_1 \times G_2$  forms a countable open cover of the countably compact space  $X_1$  so that there is a finite subcover, call it  $\{G_{n,1}\}_{n=1}^m$ . Considering  $\{G_{n,2} \mid (x_1, x'_2) \in G_{n,1} \times G_{n,2}\}$ ,  $0 = \bigcap_n G_{n,2} \neq \emptyset$  and  $x'_2 \in 0 \subseteq X_2$  where  $0$  is open. Therefore, the finite family  $\{G_{n,1} \times 0\}_{n=1}^m$  covers  $\{(\xi, x'_2) \mid \xi \in X_1\}$ . Now,  $\{0 \mid x'_2 = x_2 \in X_2\}$  is a countable cover for the countably compact  $X_2$  and must have a finite

cover, call it,  $\{O_k\}_{k=1}^n$ . Then, for any particular  $k$ ,  $\{G_{n,1} \times O_k\}_{n=1}^m$  is a finite cover for  $X_1 \times O_1$  and hence the family  $\{G_{n,1} \times O_k\}_{1 \leq n \leq m, 1 \leq k \leq q}$  is a finite cover for  $X_1 \times X_2$ . Since  $O \subset G_{n,2}$  it follows that the countable family  $\{G_1 \times G_2\}$ , where each of the sets  $G_1 \times G_2$  is a subset of one of the open sets  $G_i$ . Hence there is a finite subcover of  $\{G_i\}_{i \in I}$ . Conversely, let  $X_1 \times X_2$  be countably compact and let  $\{G_i\}_{i \in I}$  be a countable open cover for  $X_1$ , and  $\{O_j\}_{j \in I}$  for  $X_2$ . Define  $\{G^*\} = \{G_i \times O_j \mid i, j \in I\}$ .  $\{G^*\}$  is a countable open cover for  $X_1 \times X_2$ , so that for some  $k=1, \dots, n$ ,  $\{G_k^*\}$  covers  $X_1 \times X_2$ . Fixing  $x'_2$  in  $X_2$ , the family  $\{G_{i_k} \times O_{x'_2}\}$  is a finite open cover for  $\{(\xi, x'_2) \mid \xi \in X_1\}$  where  $O_{x'_2}$  is a member of  $\{O_j\}_{j \in I}$  which contains  $x'_2$  and hence  $\{G_{i_k}\}_{k=1}^n$  is a finite open cover of  $X_1$ . Similarly, there is a finite subset of  $\{O_j\}_{j \in I}$  which covers  $X_2$ . |

Definition 1.5. A topological space,  $(X, \tau)$  will be called locally compact iff each point of  $X$  is contained in a compact neighborhood.

Theorem 1.6.  $X_1 \times X_2$  is locally compact iff  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are locally compact.

Proof. Suppose that  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are locally compact and  $(x_1, x_2)$  is any point  $X_1 \times X_2$ . Since  $X_i$  is locally compact there exists a compact neighborhood  $N_i$  of  $x_i$  in  $X_i$ ,  $i=1, 2$  such that by theorem 1.2  $N_1 \times N_2$  is a compact neighborhood of  $(x_1, x_2)$  in  $X_1 \times X_2$ . Hence,  $X_1 \times X_2$  is locally compact. Conversely, let  $X_1 \times X_2$  be locally compact and let  $x_i$  be any point in  $X_i$ ,  $i=1, 2$ . Then there exists a compact neighborhood,  $N$ , of  $(x_1, x_2) \in X_1 \times X_2$  whose continuous projection image,  $N_i = \Pi_i(N)$  is a compact neighborhood of  $x_i$  in  $X_i$ ,  $i=1, 2$ . Therefore,  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are locally compact. |

Definition 1.7. A subset  $E$  of a topological space  $X$  is sequentially compact iff every sequence of points of  $E$  contains a subsequence which converges to a point of  $E$ .

Theorem 1.8.  $X_1 \times X_2$  is sequentially compact iff  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are sequentially compact.

Proof. Let  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  be sequentially compact and let  $\{(x_n, y_n)\}$  be a sequence of points of  $X_1 \times X_2$ . Suppose that  $\{x_{n_i}\}$  is the subsequence of  $\{x_n\}$  which converges to  $x' \in X_1$ ; let  $\{y_{n_i}\} = \{y_{n_i} \in \{y_n\} \mid (x_{n_i}, y_{n_i}) \in \{x_n, y_n\}\}$ . Since  $X_2$  is sequentially compact there exists a subsequence  $\{y_{n_j}\}$  of  $\{y_{n_i}\}$  which converges to some point  $y' \in X_2$ . A corresponding subsequence  $\{x_{n_j}\}$  of  $\{x_{n_i}\}$  converges to  $x' \in X_1$ . Therefore  $(x_{n_j}, y_{n_j}) \rightarrow (x', y') \in X_1 \times X_2$  so that  $\{(x_{n_j}, y_{n_j})\}$  is a subsequence of  $\{(x_n, y_n)\}$  which converges to a point of  $X_1 \times X_2$ . Therefore,  $X_1 \times X_2$  is sequentially compact. Conversely, let  $X_1 \times X_2$  be sequentially compact and let  $\{x_n\}, \{y_n\}$  be a sequence in  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  respectively. Let  $\{(x_{n_i}, y_{n_i})\}$  be the subsequence of  $\{(x_n, y_n)\}$  which converges to  $(x', y') \in X_1 \times X_2$ . This implies that  $x_{n_i} \rightarrow x' \in X_1$  and  $y_{n_i} \rightarrow y' \in X_2$ , so that  $\{x_{n_i}\}$  is a subsequence of  $\{x_n\}$  which converges to  $x' \in X_1$ . Therefore, both  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are sequentially compact. |

Definition 1.9. A family  $E$  of subsets of a topological space  $X$  will be called locally finite iff every point of the space has a neighborhood which has a nonempty intersection with at most a finite number of the members of  $E$ .

Definition 1.10. A topological space  $X$  is paracompact iff for every open covering of  $X$  there is a locally finite open cover which refines it.

Using the right half-open interval topology on the set of non-

negative real numbers Gaal [1, P. 157] has outlined a way of showing that the product of a paracompact space with itself need not be paracompact. However, if one space is compact and the other paracompact then the product is paracompact, See Theorem 3.3.

Definition 1.11. A topological space is  $\sigma$ -compact iff it is the union of a countable collection of compact sets.

Theorem 1.12. The product of finitely many  $\sigma$ -compact spaces is  $\sigma$ -compact.

Proof. Gaal [1, P. 152] outlines the proof of this theorem using the product of two spaces. |

Definition 1.13. A topological space is called a Lindelof Space iff every open covering of the space is reducible to a countable subcovering.

Gaal [1, P. 145] has shown that if  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are both Lindelof,  $X_1 \times X_2$  is not necessarily Lindelof.

The finite intersection property as well as the first and the second axioms of countability are product invariant for two spaces.

Definition 1.14. A family of sets will be said to have the finite intersection property iff every finite subfamily of the family has a nonempty intersection.

Theorem 1.15.  $\{Y_\alpha \times Z_\beta \mid \alpha \in A, \beta \in B\}$  has the finite intersection property iff  $\{Y_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$  and  $\{Z_\beta\}_{\beta \in B}$  have the finite intersection property.

Proof. Let  $(Y_\alpha)_{\alpha \in A}$ ,  $(Z_\beta)_{\beta \in B}$  be families of sets that have the finite intersection property, and let  $\left\{ Y_{\alpha_i} \times Z_{\beta_i} \right\}_{i=1}^m$  be an arbitrary finite subfamily of the collection  $\left\{ Y_\alpha \times Z_\beta \mid \alpha \in A, \beta \in B \right\}$ . Since  $(Y_\alpha)_{\alpha \in A}$  and  $(Z_\beta)_{\beta \in B}$  have the finite intersection property  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n Y_{\alpha_i} \neq \emptyset$ ,  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n Z_{\beta_i} \neq \emptyset$  so that if  $y \in \bigcap_{i=1}^n Y_{\alpha_i}$ ,  $z \in \bigcap_{i=1}^n Z_{\beta_i}$  it follows that  $(y, z) \in \bigcap_{i=1}^n (Y_{\alpha_i} \times Z_{\beta_i})$  and that the subfamily  $\left\{ Y_{\alpha_i} \times Z_{\beta_i} \right\}_{i=1}^n$  of  $\left\{ Y_\alpha \times Z_\beta \mid \alpha \in A, \beta \in B \right\}$  has a nonempty intersection. Conversely, let  $\left\{ Y_\alpha \times Z_\beta \mid \alpha \in A, \beta \in B \right\}$  be a family of sets having the finite intersection property, and suppose that  $\left\{ Y_{\alpha_i} \right\}_{i=1}^n$  is an arbitrary finite subfamily of  $\left\{ Y_\alpha \right\}_{\alpha \in A}$ . Then  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n (Y_{\alpha_i} \times Z_{\beta_0}) \neq \emptyset$ , with  $\beta_0$  fixed in  $B$ . Let  $(y, z) \in \bigcap_{i=1}^n (Y_{\alpha_i} \times Z_{\beta_0})$ . Then  $(y, z) \in (Y_{\alpha_i} \times Z_{\beta_0})$   $i=1, 2, \dots, n$  and hence  $y \in Y_{\alpha_i}$ ,  $\forall i=1, \dots, n$ . Therefore,  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n Y_{\alpha_i} \neq \emptyset$ , and so the family  $(Y_\alpha)_{\alpha \in A}$  has the finite intersection property. Similarly,  $(Z_\beta)_{\beta \in B}$  has the finite intersection property. |

Definition 1.16. A topological space  $X$  is a first axiom space iff for every point  $x \in X$ , there exists a countable family  $\left\{ B_n(x) \right\}$  of open sets containing  $x$  such that whenever  $x$  belongs to an open set  $G$ ,  $B_n(x) \subseteq G$  for some  $n$ .

Theorem 1.17.  $X_1 \times X_2$  is a first axiom space iff  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are first axiom spaces.

Proof. Let  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  be first axiom spaces,  $(x_1, x_2) \in X_1 \times X_2$  and let  $G$  be an open set in  $X_1 \times X_2$  containing  $(x_1, x_2)$ . Since  $G$  contains an open set of the form  $G_1 \times G_2$  with  $G_i$  open in  $X_i$  and containing  $x_i$ ,  $i=1, 2$ , by the first axiom property of  $X_i$ ,  $x_i \in B_{n_i, i}(x_i) \subseteq G_{i_a}$  for some  $n_i$ , with  $B_{n_i, i}(x_i) \in \left\{ B_{n_i, i}(x) \right\}$  a family of countable open sets of  $X_i$  containing  $x_i$ .

Then  $G$  contains  $B_{n_1,1}(x_1) \times B_{n_2,2}(x_2)$  in  $X_1 \times X_2$  and hence  $X_1 \times X_2$  is a first axiom space. Conversely, let  $X_1 \times X_2$  be a first axiom space,  $x_i \in X_i$ ,  $i=1,2$ , and  $G_1$  an open set in  $X_1$  containing  $x_1$ . Then,  $G_1 \times X_2$  is an open set containing  $(x_1, x_2)$  in  $X_1 \times X_2$ . Since  $X_1 \times X_2$  is first axiom there exists a countable family  $\{B_n(x_1, x_2)\}$  of open sets of  $X_1 \times X_2$  containing  $(x_1, x_2)$  such that for some  $n$   $B_n(x_1, x_2) \subseteq G_1 \times X_2$ . Let  $B_{n,1}(x_1) = \pi \left[ B_n(x_1, x_2) \right]$ , thus,  $x_1 \in B_{n,1}(x_1) \subseteq G_1$  in  $X_1$ . It follows that  $X_1$  is a first axiom space, and similarly  $X_2$  is a first axiom space. |

Definition 1.18. A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is a second axiom space iff there exists a countable base for the topology.

Theorem 1.19.  $X_1 \times X_2$  is a second axiom space iff  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are second axiom.

Proof. Let  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  be second axiom spaces,  $(x_1, x_2) \in X_1 \times X_2$ , and  $G$  an open set of  $X_1 \times X_2$  containing  $(x_1, x_2)$ .  $G$  contains an open set of the form  $G_1 \times G_2$  with  $x_i \in G_i$ , and  $G_i$  open in  $X_i$ ,  $i=1,2$ . The families  $\{B_m\}$  and  $\{B_n\}$  of countable open sets forming the bases for the topologies of  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  respectively exist such that for some  $m$  and  $n$   $(x_1, x_2) \in B_m \times B_n \subseteq G_1 \times G_2 \subseteq G$ ,  $\{B_m \times B_n\}$  a family of countable open sets of  $X_1 \times X_2$ . Conversely, let  $X_1 \times X_2$  be second axiom,  $x_1 \in X_1$ , and  $G_1$  an open set of  $X_1$ . There exists at least one  $n$  such that  $x_1 \in \pi_1(B_n)$ ,  $B_n \subseteq G_1 \times X_2$  with  $B_n$  a member of a countable family  $\{B_n\}$  which is a base for the open sets of  $X_1 \times X_2$ . For such a number,  $n$ ,  $B_n$  contains an open

set of the form  $B_{n,1} \times B_{n,2}$  with  $B_{n,i}$  open in  $X_i$ ,  $i=1,2$ . Then,  $\{B_{n,1} \mid B_{n,1} \times B_{n,2} \subseteq B_n\}$  is a countable base for the open sets of  $X_1$ . Therefore,  $X_1$  is a second axiom. Similarly,  $X_2$  is second axiom. |

Among the separation axioms the first four,  $T_0$ ,  $T_1$ ,  $T_2$ , and  $T_3$  are considered here as follows.

Definition 1.20. A topological space  $X$  is a  $T_0$  - space iff for two distinct points  $x$  and  $y$  of  $X$ , there exists an open set which contains one of them but not the other.

Theorem 1.21.  $X_1 \times X_2$  is  $T_0$  iff  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are  $T_0$ .

Proof. Let  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  be  $T_0$  - spaces and let  $(x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2)$  be two distinct points of  $X_1 \times X_2$ . In particular, let  $x_1 \neq y_1$ . Since  $X_1$  is  $T_0$   $\exists$  an open set  $O_1 \subset X_1 \ni O_1$  contains one of the points and not the other. Suppose that  $x_1 \in O_1$  and  $y_1 \notin O_1$ . Then  $O_1 \times X_2$  is an open set of  $X_1 \times X_2$ , containing  $(x_1, x_2)$ , but not  $(y_1, y_2)$ . Then,  $X_1 \times X_2$  is  $T_0$ . Conversely, let  $X_1 \times X_2$  be a  $T_0$  - space and let  $x_i, y_i \in X_i$ ,  $i=1,2$ ,  $x_1 = y_1$  and  $x_2 \neq y_2$  and  $(x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2)$  are distinct points of  $X_1 \times X_2$ . Then  $\exists$  an open set of  $X_1 \times X_2$  containing one of the points and not the other. Suppose that  $O$  contains  $(x_1, x_2) \exists O_1 \times O_2 \subseteq O \ni (x_1, x_2) \in O_1 \times O_2$  and  $(y_1, y_2) \notin O_1 \times O_2$ , with  $O_i$  open in  $X_i$ ,  $i=1,2$ . Then  $O_1$  contains  $x_1$  and not  $y_1$  and so  $X_1$  is a  $T_0$ -space. Similarly,  $X_2$  is a  $T_0$  - space. |

Definition 1.22. A topological space  $X$  is a  $T_1$  - space iff for  $x$  and  $y$ , two distinct points in  $X$  there exist two open sets, one containing  $x$  but not  $y$ , and the other containing  $y$  but not  $x$ .

Theorem 1.23.  $X_1 \times X_2$  is a  $T_1$  - space iff  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are  $T_1$  spaces.

Proof. Let  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  be  $T_1$  - spaces and let  $(x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2)$  be two distinct points of  $X_1 \times X_2$ . If  $x_1 \neq y_1$ , then there exist two open sets  $G_1$  and  $O_1$  in  $X_1$  such that  $x_1 \in G_1 \subseteq G_1$  and  $y_1 \in O_1 \subseteq O_1$ . Then for all  $z \in X_2$   $(x_1, z) \in G_1 \times X_2$ ,  $(y_1, z) \in O_1 \times X_2$  and  $(x_1, z) \notin O_1 \times X_2$ . Therefore,  $O_1 \times X_2$  is an open set of  $X_1 \times X_2$  containing  $(y_1, y_2)$  and not  $(x_1, x_2)$  and  $G_1 \times X_2$  is an open set of  $X_1 \times X_2$  containing  $(x_1, x_2)$  and not  $(y_1, y_2)$ . Therefore,  $X_1 \times X_2$  is a  $T_1$  - space. Conversely, let  $X_1 \times X_2$  be a  $T_1$  - space and let  $x_i, y_i \in X_i, i=1,2$ . If  $(x_1, x_2) \neq (y_1, y_2)$  then  $\exists G, O$  open in  $X_1 \times X_2 \ni (x_1, x_2) \in G, (y_1, y_2) \notin G, (y_1, y_2) \in O$  and  $(x_1, x_2) \notin O$ . But there exist open sets  $G_1 \times G_2, O_1 \times O_2$  in  $X_1 \times X_2$  such that  $G_1 \times G_2 \subset G, O_1 \times O_2 \subset O$  and  $G_i, O_i$  open in  $X_i$ . If  $x_2 \neq y_2$  and  $x_1 = y_1$  then  $x_2 \in G_2, y_2 \notin G_2, x_2 \notin O_2$  and  $y_2 \in O_2$ ; hence,  $X_2$  is a  $T_1$  - space. Similarly,  $X_1$  is  $T_1$ . |

Definition 1.24. A topological space  $X$  is a  $T_2$  - space or Hausdorff Space iff whenever  $x$  and  $y$  are two distinct points of  $X$ , then there exist two disjoint open sets, one containing  $x$  and the other containing  $y$ .

Theorem 1.25.  $X_1 \times X_2$  is a  $T_2$  - space iff  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are  $T_2$  - spaces.

Proof. Let  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  be  $T_2$  - spaces and let  $(x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2)$  be two distinct points of  $X_1 \times X_2$ . If  $x_1 \neq y_1$   $\exists$  two disjoint open sets  $G_1, O_1$  in  $X_1$  containing  $x_1$  and  $y_1$  respectively and setting  $G = G_1 \times X_2, O = O_1 \times X_2$  it follows that  $G$  and  $O$  are two disjoint open sets of  $X_1 \times X_2$  such that  $(x_1, x_2)$  is contained in  $G$  and  $(y_1, y_2)$  in  $O$ . Conversely, let  $X_1 \times X_2$  be a  $T_2$  - space and let  $x_i, y_i \in X_i, i=1, 2$ , and let  $(x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2)$  be distinct points in  $X_1 \times X_2 \ni x_1 \neq y_1$  and  $y_2 = x_2$ . Then there

exist two disjoint open sets  $G$  and  $O$  in  $X_1 \times X_2$  containing  $(x_1, x_2)$  and  $(y_1, y_2)$  respectively. Let  $G_1 \times G_2 \subset G$ ,  $O_1 \times O_2 \subset O$  with  $G_i, O_i$  open in  $X_i$ ,  $(x_1, x_2) \in G_1 \times G_2$  and  $(y_1, y_2) \in O_1 \times O_2$ . Since  $x_2 \in G_2 \cap O_2$ ,  $G_1 \cap O_1 = \emptyset$  and hence  $X_1$  is a  $T_2$  - space. Similarly,  $X_2$  is  $T_2$ .

Definition 1.26. A topological space  $X$  is regular iff for a closed subset  $F$  of  $X$  and a point  $x$  of  $X$  not contained in  $F$  there exist two disjoint open sets, one containing  $F$  and the other containing  $x$ .

In one of his characterizations of a regular space, Pervin [5, P. 87] proves that a topological space  $X$  is regular iff for every point  $x \in X$  and open set  $G$  containing  $x$  there exists an open set  $G^*$  such that  $x \in G^*$  and  $\overline{G^*} \subseteq G$ .

Theorem 1.27.  $X_1 \times X_2$  is regular iff  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are regular.

Proof. Let  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  be regular spaces and let  $G$  be an open containing  $x$  in  $X_1 \times X_2$ .  $G$  contains an open set of the form  $G_1 \times G_2$  with  $G_i$  open in  $X_i$  and defining  $x_i = \pi_i(x)$ ,  $x_i \in G_i$ ,  $i=1,2$ . Since  $X_i$  is regular, by Pervin's characterization of regular spaces mentioned above,  $\exists G^*_i \ni x_i \in G^*_i$  and  $\overline{G^*_i} \subseteq G_i$ . Hence,  $x \in G^*_1 \times G^*_2$  and  $\overline{G^*_1} \times \overline{G^*_2} \subseteq G_1 \times G_2 \subseteq G$ . Therefore,  $X_1 \times X_2$  is regular. Conversely, let  $X_1 \times X_2$  be regular and let  $x_1 \notin F_1$ ,  $F_1$  closed and  $x_1, f_1$  are both in  $X_1$ . For any  $y \in X_2$ ,  $(x_1, y) \notin F_1 \times X_2$  and by the regularity of  $X_1 \times X_2$  there are two disjoint open sets  $G$ ,  $O \subset X_1 \times X_2$  such that  $(x_1, y) \in G$  and  $F_1 \times X_2 \subset O$ . Since  $y \in \pi_2(G) \cap \pi_2(O) \subseteq X_2$ , then  $\pi_1(G) \cap \pi_1(O) = \emptyset$ , and setting  $G_1 = \pi_1(G)$ ,  $O_1 = \pi_1(O)$  it follows that  $G_1$  and  $O_1$  are two disjoint open sets of  $X_1$  containing  $x_1$  and  $F_1$  respectively. Therefore  $X_1$  is regular and similarly  $X_2$  is regular. |

Definition 1.28. A topological space  $X$  is completely regular iff for a closed subset  $F$  of  $X$  and a point  $x$  of  $X$  not in  $F$  there exists a continuous mapping  $f: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that  $f(x) = 0$  and  $f(F) = \{1\}$ .

Theorem 1.29.  $X_1 \times X_2$  is completely regular iff  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are completely regular.

Proof. Let  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  be completely regular and let  $P$  and  $F$  be in  $X_1 \times X_2$  with  $F$  a closed subset of the product space and  $P$  is not contained in  $F$ . Let  $G = X_1 \times X_2 \setminus F$ ,  $P_i = \pi_i(P)$ , and let  $G_1 \times G_2$  be an open set of  $X_1 \times X_2$  contained in  $G \ni G_i$  is open in  $X_i$  and contains  $P_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Since  $X_i \setminus G_i$  is closed in  $X_i$  and does not contain  $P_i$ ,  $\exists$  a continuous mapping  $g_i: X_i \rightarrow [0, 1] \ni g_i(P_i) = 0$ ,  $g_i(x_i) = \{1\} \forall x_i \in (X_i \setminus G_i)$ . Define  $f(x) = \frac{|g_1(x_1) + g_2(x_2)|}{2} + \frac{|g_1(x_1) - g_2(x_2)|}{2}$  where  $x_i = \pi_i(x)$ ,  $i=1, 2$ . Since  $f$  merely sums up the absolute values of the sum and difference of two continuous functions then  $f$  is continuous. Therefore,  $f$  is a continuous mapping of  $X_1 \times X_2$  into  $[0, 1]$  such that  $f(P) = 0$ , and  $f(x) = \{1\} \forall x \in F \subseteq \left[ (X_1 \times X_2) \setminus (G_1 \times G_2) \right]$ . Therefore  $X_1 \times X_2$  is completely regular. Conversely, let  $X_1 \times X_2$  be completely regular and let  $F_i$  be a closed subset of  $X_i$ . Suppose that  $x_i \in G_i = X_i \setminus F_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Then there exists a continuous mapping of  $X_1 \times X_2$  into  $[0, 1]$  such that  $f(P_1, P_2) = 0$ , and  $f(x, y) = \{1\} \forall (x, y) \in \left[ (X_1 \times X_2) \setminus (G_1 \times G_2) \right]$ . Define  $g_1(x) = f(x, P_2)$ ,  $g_2(y) = f(P_1, y)$ . Then  $g_1: X_1 \rightarrow [0, 1] \ni g_1(P_1) = 0$ ,  $g_1(x) = \{1\}, \forall x \in (X_1 \setminus G_1)$ ;  $g_2: X_2 \rightarrow [0, 1] \ni g_2(P_2) = 0$ ,  $g_2(y) = \{1\} \forall y \in (X_2 \setminus G_2)$ . Since  $f$  is continuous, both the  $g_i$ 's are continuous,  $i=1, 2$ . Therefore,  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are completely regular. |

Definition 1.30. A topological space  $X$  is a  $T_3$  - space if it is a regular space which is also a  $T_1$  - space.

Corollary 1.31.  $X_1 \times X_2$  is a  $T_3$  - space iff both  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are  $T_3$  - spaces.

Proof. Both regularity and  $T_1$  are product invariant in the cartesian product of two topological spaces by theorems 1.27, and 1.23 respectively. |

Definition 1.32. A topological space  $X$  is normal iff for every two distinct closed sets  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  of  $X$  there exist two disjoint open sets, one containing  $F_1$  and the other containing  $F_2$ .

Kelley [3, P. 134] gives an example of a normal space  $X$  with the property that  $X \times X$  is not normal. Hence, normality is not a product invariant.

Definition 1.33. Two subsets  $A$  and  $B$  form a separation or partition of a set  $E$  in a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  iff  $E = A \cup B$ ,  $A \neq \emptyset$ ,  $B \neq \emptyset$ , and  $A \cap \bar{B} = \bar{A} \cap B = \emptyset$ .

Definition 1.34. A set is called connected iff it has no separation.

Theorem 1.35.  $X_1 \times X_2$  is connected iff  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are connected.

Proof. See Pervin [5, P. 132]. |

Definition 1.36. If  $E$  is a subset of a topological space  $X$  and we let  $I = [0, 1]$ , then a path in  $E$  joining two points  $x$  and  $y$  is a continuous mapping  $f$  of  $I$  into  $E$  such that  $f(0) = x$  and  $f(1) = y$ .

Definition 1.37. The subset  $E$  of a topological space  $X$  is arcwise connected iff every two points in  $E$  may be joined by some path in  $E$ .

Theorem 1.38.  $X_1 \times X_2$  is arcwise connected iff both  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are arcwise connected.

Proof. Let  $X_1, X_2$  be arcwise connected and let  $(x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2) \in X_1 \times X_2$ . Then  $\exists$  a continuous function  $g_i : [0, 1] \rightarrow X_i \ni g_i(0) = x_i, g_i(1) = y_i, i = 1, 2$ . Define  $f(t) = (g_1(t), g_2(t)), t \in [0, 1]$ . Then  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow X_1 \times X_2 \ni f(0) = (x_1, x_2), f(1) = (y_1, y_2)$ . To show that  $f$  is continuous, let  $G$  be an open set containing  $f(t)$ ;  $\exists$  open sets  $G_i \subseteq X_i \ni G_1 \times G_2 \subseteq G$  and  $g_i(G^*_i) \subseteq G_i$  where  $G^*_i$  is an open subset of  $[0, 1]$ . Let  $G^* = G^*_1 \cap G^*_2$ , then  $f(G^*) \subseteq G_1 \times G_2 \subseteq G$  so that  $f$  is continuous. Conversely, let  $X_1 \times X_2$  be arcwise connected and let  $x, y \in X_1 \times X_2, x \neq y$ . Suppose that  $x_i = \pi_i(x), y_i = \pi_i(y), x_i, y_i \in X_i, i = 1, 2$ . Since  $\exists f : [0, 1] \rightarrow X_1 \times X_2 \ni f(0) = x, f(1) = y$ , and  $f$  is continuous, and since the projection mapping is also continuous, then defining  $g_i = \pi_i \circ f$ ,  $g_i$  is a continuous mapping of the closed unit interval into  $X_i$  such that  $g_i(0) = x_i$  and  $g_i(1) = y_i$ . Therefore,  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are arcwise connected. |

Definition 1.39. A space  $S$  is said to be locally connected at a point  $P$  if and only if, given any neighborhood  $U$  of  $P$ , there exists a connected neighborhood  $V$  of  $P$  such that  $V \subseteq U$ . The space  $S$  is said to be locally connected if and only if it is locally connected at each of its points.

Theorem 1.40.  $X_1 \times X_2$  is locally connected iff  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are locally connected.

Proof. Let  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  be locally connected and let  $(x_1, x_2) \in X_1 \times X_2$ . Since for any neighborhood  $N$  of  $(x_1, x_2)$   $N$  contains an open subset of the form  $G_1 \times G_2$ , with  $G_i$  containing  $x_i$  and open in  $X_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , then  $\exists$  a connected set  $O_i$  in  $X_i \ni x_i \in O_i \subseteq G_i$  by the local connectivity of  $X_i$ . Then  $O_1 \times O_2$  is a connected subset of  $G_1 \times G_2$  by Theorem 1.35 containing  $(x_1, x_2)$  and which is contained in  $N$ . Since  $(x_1, x_2)$  is an arbitrary point of  $X_1 \times X_2$ ,  $X_1 \times X_2$  is locally connected. Conversely, let  $X_1 \times X_2$  be locally connected and let  $x_i$  be any point of  $X_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . If  $N_i$  is a neighborhood of  $x_i$  in  $X_i$  then  $N_1 \times N_2$  is a neighborhood of  $(x_1, x_2)$  in  $X_1 \times X_2$  and by the local connectivity of  $X_1 \times X_2 \exists$  a connected neighborhood  $E$  of  $(x_1, x_2) \ni (x_1, x_2) \in E \subseteq N_1 \times N_2$ . Since  $E_i = \pi_i(E)$  is a continuous image of a connected set containing  $x_i$  and which is contained in  $N_i$ , it follows that  $X_i$  is locally connected. |

The properties examined here are isolatedness and separability.

Definition 1.41. A subset  $E$  of a topological space is isolated iff no point of  $E$  is a limit point of  $E$ ; that is,  $E \cap d(E) = \emptyset$ .

Theorem 1.42.  $A_1 \times A_2$  is isolated iff  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are isolated, where  $A_i \subseteq X_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , and  $A_1 \times A_2 \subseteq X_1 \times X_2$ .

Proof. Let  $A_1, A_2$  be isolated nonempty subsets of topological spaces and let  $(A_1 \times A_2)'$  be the derived set of  $A_1 \times A_2$ . Since  $(A_1 \times A_2)' = [(A'_1 \times A_2) \cup (A_1 \times A'_2)]$ ,  $(A_1 \times A_2) \cap (A_1 \times A_2)' = (A_1 \times A_2) \cap [(A'_1 \times A_2) \cup (A_1 \times A'_2)] = [(A_1 \times A_2) \cap (A'_1 \times A_2)] \cup [(A_1 \times A_2) \cap (A_1 \times A'_2)] = [(A_1 \cap A'_1) \times A_2] \cup [A_1 \times (A_2 \cap A'_2)]$ . By the isolatedness of both  $A_1$  and

$A_2$ , it follows that  $(A_1 \times A_2) \cap (A_1 \times A_2)' = \emptyset$  and hence,  $A_1 \times A_2$  is isolated. Conversely, let  $A_1 \times A_2$  be isolated and let  $A'_2$  be the derived set of  $A_2$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Since  $A'_1 \times A_2 \subseteq (A_1 \times A_2)'$  and since  $(A_1 \times A_2) \cap (A_1 \times A_2)' = \emptyset$ ,  $(A_1 \times A_2) \cap (A'_1 \times A_2) = \emptyset$  and hence,  $A_1 \cap A'_1 = \emptyset$ . Therefore  $A_1$  is isolated, and likewise,  $A_2$  is isolated. |

Definition 1.43. A topological space  $X$ , will be called separable iff there exists a countable dense subset of  $X$ .

Theorem 1.44.  $X_1 \times X_2$  is separable iff both  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are separable.

Proof. Let  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  be separable,  $A_i$  a dense countable subset of  $X_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , and let  $(x_1, x_2)$  be an arbitrary point in  $X_1 \times X_2$ .  $A_1 \times A_2$  is countable in  $X_1 \times X_2$ . Let  $G$  be an open set of  $X_1 \times X_2$  containing  $(x_1, x_2)$ . Then for some set  $G_i$  open in  $X_i$ ,  $(x_1, x_2) \in G_1 \times G_2 \subset G$ . Since  $A_i$  is dense in  $X_i$ ,  $\exists y_i \in A_i \ni y_i \in G_i$ . Therefore,  $G \cap (A_1 \times A_2) \neq \emptyset$ , and hence  $A_1 \times A_2$  is a countable dense subset of  $X_1 \times X_2$ . Conversely, let  $X_1 \times X_2$  be separable and  $A$  a countable dense subset of  $X_1 \times X_2$ . Suppose that  $G_i$  is an open set of  $X_i$  containing  $x_i \in X_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ ,  $\exists (y_1, y_2) \in A \ni (y_1, y_2) \in (G_1 \times G_2) \cap A$ . If  $A_i = \pi_1(A)$  then  $y_i \in A_i$ , so that  $y_i \in G_i \cap A_i$ , and  $A_i$  is a countable dense subset of  $X_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Therefore,  $X_i$  is separable. |

## II

This part of the collection consists of the definitions which have not occurred earlier, theorems, and the sources for their proofs concerning the properties that are invariance in the product of the general and the finite case.

Theorem 2.1.  $\pi_\lambda X_\lambda$  is  $T_0$  iff each space  $X_\lambda$  is  $T_0$ .

Proof. See Pervin [5, P. 141]. |

Theorem 2.2.  $\pi_\lambda X_\lambda$  is  $T_1$  iff each space  $X_\lambda$  is  $T_1$ .

Proof. See Kelley [3, P. 133]. |

Theorem 2.3.  $\pi_\lambda X_\lambda$  is Hausdorff iff all spaces  $X_\lambda$  are Hausdorff.

Proof. See Pervin [5, P. 138]. |

Theorem 2.4.  $\pi_\lambda X_\lambda$  is regular iff each space  $X_\lambda$  is regular.

Proof. See Kelley [3, P. 133]. |

Theorem 2.5.  $\pi_\lambda X_\lambda$  is completely regular iff each space  $X_\lambda$  is completely regular.

Proof. See Kelley [3, P. 133]. |

Theorem 2.6.  $\pi_\lambda X_\lambda$  is compact iff each space  $X_\lambda$  is compact.

Proof. See Pervin [5, P. 143]. |

Theorem 2.7.  $\pi_\lambda X_\lambda$  is connected iff each space  $X_\lambda$  is connected.

Proof. See Pervin [5, P. 139].|

Theorem 2.8.  $\pi_\lambda X_\lambda$  is first axioms iff each space  $X_\lambda$  is first axiom and all but a countable number are indiscrete.

Proof. See Pervin [5, P. 140].|

Theorem 2.9.  $\pi_\lambda X_\lambda$  is second axiom iff each space  $X_\lambda$  is second axiom and all but a countable number are indiscrete.

Proof. See Pervin [5, P. 141].|

Theorem 2.10.  $\pi_\lambda X_\lambda$  is locally compact iff each space  $X_\lambda$  is locally compact and all but a finite number are compact.

Proof. See Pervin [5, P. 146].|

Definition 2.11. A topological space is  $\sigma$ -compact iff it is the union of a countable collection of compact sets.

Theorem 2.12. The product of finitely many  $\sigma$ -compact spaces is  $\sigma$ -compact.

Proof. See Gaal [1, P. 152].|

Theorem 2.13.  $\pi_\lambda X_\lambda$  is locally connected iff each space  $X_\lambda$  is locally connected and all but a finite number are connected.

Proof. See Pervin [5, P. 140].|

Gaal [1, P. 152] has proposed an example to demonstrate that the product of denumerably many  $\sigma$ -compact spaces is not necessarily  $\sigma$ -compact. Furthermore, separability and the two axioms of countability are not product invariant in general, Kelley [3, P. 133].

### III

Sometimes two or more topological spaces have different properties among which one is preserved by the product of the spaces, and this part of the collection concerns a few of such combinations.

Definition 3.1. A subset  $E$  of a topological space is dense-in-itself iff every point of  $E$  is a limit point of  $E$ ; that is,  $E \subseteq d(E)$ .

Theorem 3.2.  $X_1 \times X_2$  is dense-in-itself iff at least one of the spaces  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  is dense-in-itself.

Proof. See Pervin [5, P. 134]. |

Theorem 3.3. If  $X_1$  is compact and  $X_2$  is paracompact, then  $X_1 \times X_2$  is paracompact.

Proof. See Pervin [5, P. 168]. |

Definition 3.4. A topological space  $X$  will be called countably paracompact iff for every countable open covering of  $X$  there is a locally finite open cover which refines it.

Theorem 3.5. If  $X_1$  is compact and  $X_2$  is countably paracompact, then  $X_1 \times X_2$  is countably paracompact.

Proof. See Gaal [1, P. 157]. |

Theorem 3.6. The product of a compact space and of a Lindelöf space is always a Lindelöf space.

Proof. See Gaal [1, P. 145].|

Theorem 3.7. If  $X_1$  is a regular paracompact space and  $X_2$  is a  $\sigma$ -compact space, then  $X_1 \times X_2$  is paracompact.

Proof. See Pervin [5, P. 167].|

### CONCLUSION

Two tables are used here to categorize the properties discussed above. In the first table the properties are considered under the product topology of two spaces, a finite number of spaces, and the general case; the "plus" sign means that the property is preserved and the "minus" sign means that it is not. In table two, the product of two spaces is the only one given. The properties of each one of the spaces is given and the property which is preserved in the product topology is indicated.

TABLE I

PROPERTY	$X_1 \times X_2$	$\prod_{i=1}^n X_i$	GENERAL CASE
Compactness	+	+	+
Countable Compactness	+		
Local Compactness	+	+	
Sequential Compactness	+	+	
$\sigma$ - Compactness	+	+	-
Paracompactness	-	-	-
Connectivity	+	+	+
Arcwise Connectivity	+		
Local Connectivity	+	+	
First Axiom	+	+	-
Second Axiom	+	+	-
$T_0, T_1, T_2$	+	+	+
Regularity	+	+	+
Complete Regularity	+	+	+
$T_3$	+	+	+
Normal	-	-	-
Lindelöf	-	-	-
Finite Intersection Property	+		
Isolatedness	+		
Separability	+		-

TABLE II

$X_1$	$X_2$	PRESERVED
Dense-in-itself Paracompact	Compact	Dense-in-itself Paracompact
Countably Paracompact	Paracompact	Countably Paracompact
Regular Paracompact	$\sigma$ - Paracompact	Regular Paracompact
Lindelöf	Compact	Lindelöf

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