Products of Hurewicz, Menger and Lindelöf spaces

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Combinatorial covering properties

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 $\sigma\text{-compact} \to \mathsf{Hurewicz} \to \mathsf{Menger} \to \mathsf{Lindel\"of}$

Theorem (Hurewicz)

Assume that X is Lindelöf and zero-dimensional

- X is Menger \leftrightarrow continuous image of X into $[\mathbb{N}]^{\infty}$ is nondominating
- X is Hurewicz \leftrightarrow continuous image of X into $[\mathbb{N}]^{\infty}$ is bounded

Previously

Theorem $(\mathfrak{d} = \aleph_1)$

Every productively Lindelöf space is productively Menger.

Lemma

Assume that $X = \{ x_{\alpha} : \alpha < \omega_1 \}$ is a dominating scale in $[\mathbb{N}]^{\infty}$, i.e.,

- $x_{\alpha} \leq^* x_{\beta}$ for $\alpha < \beta$,
- for each $a \in [\mathbb{N}]^{\infty}$ there is α with $a \leq^* x_{\alpha}$.

A space $X \cup Fin$, where

- points from X are isolated,
- points from Fin have the same neighborhoods as in $P(\mathbb{N})$,

is productively Menger but not productively Lindeöf.

In today's episode

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Every productively Menger space is productively Hurewicz.

X is concentrated: there is a countable $D \subseteq X$ such that every closed $A \subseteq X \setminus D$ is countable

Lemma (Miller, Tsaban, Zdomskyy)

If X is concentrated and Y is Hurewicz, then $X \times Y$ is Menger.

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 $[\mathbb{N}]^{\infty} \supseteq X$ is a cFin-scale: $|X| \ge \mathfrak{b}$ and for each function $b \in [\mathbb{N}]^{\infty}$, there is $c \in [\mathbb{N}]^{\infty}$ such that

$$b\leq^{\infty} c\leq^* x$$

for all but less than \mathfrak{b} functions $x \in X$,

e.g., unbounded $X = \{ x_{\alpha} : \alpha < \mathfrak{b} \}$ with $x_{\alpha} \leq^* x_{\beta}$ for $\alpha < \beta$.

Lemma $(\mathfrak{b} = \aleph_1)$

Let $X \subseteq [\mathbb{N}]^{\infty}$ be a cFin-scale. A space $X \cup Fin$, where

- points from X are isolated,
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is productively Hurewicz.

Lemma (Miller)

It is consistent with CH that there is a cFin-scale that is Menger.

Theorem

It is consistent with CH that there is a productively Hurewicz space that is not productively Menger.

Main results

Theorem $(\mathfrak{d} = \aleph_1)$

 $\blacksquare \textit{ productively Lindelöf} \rightarrow \textit{ productively Menger} \rightarrow \textit{ productively Hurewicz}$

None of these implications is reversible.

Lemma $(\mathfrak{d} = \aleph_1)$

Assume that $X \subseteq [\mathbb{N}]^{\infty}$ is a dominating scale. A space $X \cup \mathrm{Fin}$, where

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- points from Fin have the same neighborhoods as in P(N),

is productively Menger but not productively Lindeöf.

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is productively Hurewicz.

Corollary $(\mathfrak{b} = \aleph_1 < \mathfrak{d})$

There is a productively Hurewicz space that is not productively Menger.

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