

## **S-paracompactness modulo an ideal**

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### **ABSTRACT**

The notion of S-paracompactness modulo an ideal was introduced and studied in [15]. In this paper, we introduce and investigate the notion of  $\alpha$ S-paracompact subset modulo an ideal which is a generalization of the notions of  $\alpha$ S-paracompact set [1] and  $\alpha$ -paracompact set modulo an ideal [7].

### **RESUMEN**

La noción de S-paracompacidad módulo un ideal fue introducida y estudiada en [15]. En este artículo, introducimos e investigamos la noción de un subconjunto  $\alpha$ S-paracompacto módulo un ideal, que es una generalización de las nociones de conjunto  $\alpha$ S-paracompacto [1] y conjunto  $\alpha$ -paracompacto módulo un ideal [7].

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## 1 Introduction

The concept of  $\alpha$ -paracompact subset modulo an ideal was defined and investigated by Ergun and Noiri [7]. The notions of  $S$ -paracompact spaces and  $\alpha S$ -paracompact subsets were introduced in 2006 by Al-Zoubi [1] and also have been studied by Li and Song [13]. Very recently, Sanabria, Rosas, Carpintero, Salas and García [15] have introduced and investigated the concept of  $S$ -paracompact space with respect to an ideal as a generalization of the  $S$ -paracompact spaces. In this paper, we introduce the notion of  $\alpha S$ -paracompact subset modulo an ideal which is a generalization of both  $\alpha S$ -paracompact subset [1] and  $\alpha$ -paracompact subset modulo an ideal.

## 2 Preliminaries

Throughout this paper,  $(X, \tau)$  always means a topological space on which no separation axioms are assumed unless explicitly stated. If  $A$  is a subset of  $(X, \tau)$ , we denote the closure of  $A$  and the interior of  $A$  by  $\text{Cl}(A)$  and  $\text{Int}(A)$ , respectively. Also, we denote by  $\wp(X)$  the class of all subset of  $X$ . A subset  $A$  of  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be *semi-open* [11] (resp. *semi-preopen* [2]) if  $A \subset \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(A))$  (resp.  $A \subset \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(\text{Cl}(A)))$ ). The complement of a semi-open set is called a *semi-closed* set. The *semi-closure* of  $A$ , denoted by  $\text{sCl}(A)$ , is defined by the intersection of all semi-closed sets containing  $A$ . The collection of all semi-open sets of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is denoted by  $\text{SO}(X, \tau)$ . A collection  $\mathcal{V}$  of subsets of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be *locally finite*, if for each  $x \in X$  there exists  $U_x \in \tau$  containing  $x$  and  $U_x$  intersects at most finitely many members of  $\mathcal{V}$ . A space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be *paracompact* (resp. *S-paracompact* [1]), if every open cover of  $X$  has a locally finite open (resp. semi-open) refinement which covers to  $X$  (we do not require a refinement to be a cover).

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a space. Then, the following properties hold:*

- (1) *If  $(A, \tau_A)$  is a subspace of  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $B \subseteq A$  and  $B \in \text{SO}(X, \tau)$ , then  $B \in \text{SO}(A, \tau_A)$  [11].*
- (2) *If  $A \in \tau$  and  $B \in \text{SO}(X, \tau)$ , then  $A \cap B \in \text{SO}(X, \tau)$  [4].*
- (3) *If  $(A, \tau_A)$  is an open subspace of  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $B \subseteq A$  and  $B \in \text{SO}(A, \tau_A)$ , then  $B \in \text{SO}(X, \tau)$  [5].*

An *ideal*  $\mathcal{I}$  on a nonempty set  $X$  is a nonempty collection of subset of  $X$  which satisfies the following two properties:

- (1)  $A \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $B \subset A$  implies  $B \in \mathcal{I}$ ;
- (2)  $A \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $B \in \mathcal{I}$  implies  $A \cup B \in \mathcal{I}$ .

In this paper, the triplet  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  denote a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  together with an ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  on  $X$  and will simply called a space. Given a space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ , a set operator  $(\cdot)^* : \wp(X) \rightarrow \wp(X)$ , called the *local function* [10] of  $A$  with respect to  $\tau$  and  $\mathcal{I}$ , is defined as follows: for  $A \subset X$ ,

$A^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau) = \{x \in X : U \cap A \notin \mathcal{I} \text{ for every } U \in \tau(x)\}$ , where  $\tau(x) = \{U \in \tau : x \in U\}$ . When there is no chance for confusion, we will simply write  $A^*$  for  $A^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$ . In general,  $X^*$  is a proper subset of  $X$ . The hypothesis  $X = X^*$  is equivalent to the hypothesis  $\tau \cap \mathcal{I} = \emptyset$ . According to [14], we call the ideals which satisfy this hypothesis  $\tau$ -boundary ideals. Note that  $Cl^*(A) = A \cup A^*$  defines a Kuratowski closure for a topology  $\tau^*(\mathcal{I})$ , finer than  $\tau$ . A basis  $\beta(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$  for  $\tau^*(\mathcal{I})$  can be described as follows:  $\beta(\mathcal{I}, \tau) = \{V \setminus J : V \in \tau \text{ and } J \in \mathcal{I}\}$ . When there is no chance for confusion, we will simply write  $\tau^*$  for  $\tau^*(\mathcal{I})$  and  $\beta$  for  $\beta(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$ . In the sequel, the ideal of nowhere dense (resp. meager) subsets of  $(X, \tau)$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{N}$  (resp.  $\mathcal{M}$ ).

### 3 $\alpha$ S-paracompactness modulo an ideal

In this section, we shall introduce and study the  $\alpha$ S-paracompact subsets modulo an ideal  $\mathcal{I}$ , which is a natural generalization of  $\alpha$ S-paracompact subsets. First recall some notions of paracompactness.

**Definition 3.1.** A subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be  $\alpha$ -paracompact [3] (resp.  $\alpha$ -almost paracompact [9]) if for any open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $A$ , there exists a locally finite collection  $\mathcal{V}$  of open sets such that  $\mathcal{V}$  refines  $\mathcal{U}$  and  $A \subset \bigcup\{V : V \in \mathcal{V}\}$  (resp.  $A \subset \bigcup\{Cl(V) : V \in \mathcal{V}\}$ ). A space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be paracompact (resp. almost-paracompact) if  $X$  is  $\alpha$ -paracompact (resp.  $\alpha$ -almost paracompact).

**Definition 3.2.** A subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be  $\alpha$ -paracompact modulo  $\mathcal{I}$  [7] (briefly  $\alpha$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ )), if for any open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $A$ , there exist  $I \in \mathcal{I}$  and a locally finite collection  $\mathcal{V}$  of open sets such that  $\mathcal{V}$  refines  $\mathcal{U}$  and  $A \subset \bigcup\{V : V \in \mathcal{V}\} \cup I$ .

A space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be  $\mathcal{I}$ -paracompact or paracompact with respect to  $\mathcal{I}$  [16], if  $X$  is  $\alpha$ -paracompact modulo  $\mathcal{I}$ . In the present, it is called paracompact modulo  $\mathcal{I}$  (or briefly paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ )).

**Definition 3.3.** A subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be  $\alpha$ S-paracompact [1] if for any open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $A$ , there exists a locally finite collection  $\mathcal{V}$  of open sets such that  $\mathcal{V}$  refines  $\mathcal{U}$  and  $A \subset \bigcup\{V : V \in \mathcal{V}\}$ . A space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be S-paracompact if  $X$  is  $\alpha$ S-paracompact.

Now, we give the definition of  $\alpha$ S-paracompact subset modulo an ideal  $\mathcal{I}$ .

**Definition 3.4.** A subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be  $\alpha$ S-paracompact modulo  $\mathcal{I}$  (briefly  $\alpha$ S-paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ )), if for any open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $A$ , there exist  $I \in \mathcal{I}$  and a locally finite collection  $\mathcal{V}$  of semi-open sets such that  $\mathcal{V}$  refines  $\mathcal{U}$  and  $A \subset \bigcup\{V : V \in \mathcal{V}\} \cup I$ .

A space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be  $\mathcal{I}$ -S-paracompact or S-paracompact with respect to  $\mathcal{I}$  [15], if  $X$  is  $\alpha$ S-paracompact modulo  $\mathcal{I}$ . In the present, it is called S-paracompact modulo  $\mathcal{I}$  (or briefly S-paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ )). We say that  $A$  is S-paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ) if  $(A, \tau_A, \mathcal{I}_A)$  is S-paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}_A$ ) as a subspace, where  $\tau_A$  is the relative topology induced on  $A$  by  $\tau$  and  $\mathcal{I}_A = \{I \cap A : I \in \mathcal{I}\}$ .

**Proposition 3.1.** Let  $A$  be a subset of a space  $(X, \tau)$  and  $\mathcal{I}$  an ideal on  $(X, \tau)$ . Then, the following properties hold:

- (1) If  $A$  is  $\alpha$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ), then  $A$  is  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ).
- (2) Every  $I \in \mathcal{I}$  is an  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ).
- (3)  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is  $\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ) if there exists  $I \in \mathcal{I}$  such that  $X - I$  is  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ).
- (4)  $A$  is  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact if and only if it is  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\{\emptyset\}$ ).

*Proof.* (1) Follows from the fact that every open set is semi-open.

(2) Suppose that there exists  $I \in \mathcal{I}$  such that  $I$  is not  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ). Then, there exists an open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $I$  such that  $I \not\subseteq \bigcup\{V : V \in \mathcal{V}\} \cup J$  for every  $J \in \mathcal{I}$  and every locally finite collection  $\mathcal{V}$  which refines  $\mathcal{U}$ . This is a contradiction, because  $I \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $I \subseteq \bigcup\{V : V \in \mathcal{V}\} \cup I$ .

(3) Suppose that there exists  $I \in \mathcal{I}$  such that  $X - I$  is  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ) and let  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open cover of  $X$ . Then,  $\mathcal{U}$  is an open cover of  $X - I$  and hence there exist  $J \in \mathcal{I}$  and a locally finite collection  $\mathcal{V}$  of semi-open sets such that  $\mathcal{V}$  refines  $\mathcal{U}$  and  $X - I \subseteq \bigcup\{V : V \in \mathcal{V}\} \cup J$ . Thus,  $X = (X - I) \cup I \subseteq \bigcup\{V : V \in \mathcal{V}\} \cup (J \cup I)$  and as  $J \cup I \in \mathcal{I}$ , we have  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is  $\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ).

(4) It is obvious. □

Now, we give some comments related with the Proposition 3.1.

**Remark 3.1.** According to Proposition 3.1(1), every  $\alpha$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ) (resp.  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact) subset is  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ), and from this point of view, the notion of  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ) subset is a natural generalization of the notion of  $\alpha$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ) (resp.  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact) subset. On the other hand, in Example 2.11 of [13], it is shown that there exists a semiregular Hausdorff space  $X$  and a regular closed subset  $M$  of  $X$  such that  $M$  is an  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\{\emptyset\}$ ) subset of  $X$ , but  $M$  is not  $\alpha$ -paracompact (mod  $\{\emptyset\}$ ). Thus, the converse of Proposition 3.1(1) in general is not true.

**Proposition 3.2.** Let  $A$  be a subset of a space  $(X, \tau)$  and  $\mathcal{I}$  an ideal on  $(X, \tau)$ . Then, the following properties hold:

- (1) If  $A$  is a semi-open and  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ) set and  $\mathcal{I}$  is  $\tau$ -boundary, then  $A$  is  $\alpha$ -almost paracompact.
- (2) A semi-preopen set  $A$  is  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{N}$ ) if and only if it is  $\alpha$ -almost paracompact.

*Proof.* (1) Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be any open cover of  $A$ . Then there exist  $I \in \mathcal{I}$  and a locally finite collection  $\mathcal{V} = \{V_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  of semi-open sets such that  $\mathcal{V}$  refines  $\mathcal{U}$  and  $A \subseteq \bigcup\{V_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\} \cup I$ . Since  $A$  is

semi-open,  $A \subset \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(A))$  and as  $\mathcal{I}$  is  $\tau$ -boundary,  $\text{Int}(I) = \emptyset$ . Now, by the locally finiteness of  $\mathcal{V}$ , the collection  $\mathcal{V}' = \{\text{Int}(V_\lambda) : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is also locally finite, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} A &\subset \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(A)) \subset \text{Cl}\left(\text{Int}\left(\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} V_\lambda \cup I\right)\right) \\ &\subset \text{Cl}\left(\text{Int}\left(\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(V_\lambda)) \cup I\right)\right) \\ &= \text{Cl}\left(\text{Int}\left(\text{Cl}\left(\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \text{Int}(V_\lambda)\right) \cup I\right)\right) \\ &= \text{Cl}\left(\text{Int}\left(\text{Cl}\left(\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \text{Int}(V_\lambda)\right) \cup \text{Int}(I)\right)\right) \\ &= \text{Cl}\left(\text{Int}\left(\text{Cl}\left(\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \text{Int}(V_\lambda)\right)\right)\right) \\ &\subset \text{Cl}\left(\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \text{Int}(V_\lambda)\right) = \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(V_\lambda)). \end{aligned}$$

If  $W_\lambda = \text{Int}(V_\lambda)$ , then  $A \subset \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \text{Cl}(W_\lambda)$ . Observe that  $W_\lambda$  is open for each  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  and  $W_\lambda \subset V_\lambda \subset U$  for some  $U \in \mathcal{U}$ , hence  $\mathcal{W} = \{W_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is a locally finite open refinement of  $\mathcal{U}$ . Therefore,  $A$  is  $\alpha$ -almost paracompact.

(2) Similar to the proof of (1), if  $A$  is semi-preopen, then

$$\begin{aligned} A &\subset \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(\text{Cl}(A))) \subset \text{Cl}\left(\text{Int}\left(\text{Cl}\left(\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} V_\lambda \cup I\right)\right)\right) \\ &= \text{Cl}\left(\text{Int}\left(\text{Cl}\left(\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} V_\lambda\right) \cup \text{Cl}(I)\right)\right) \\ &= \text{Cl}\left(\text{Int}\left(\text{Cl}\left(\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} V_\lambda\right) \cup \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(I))\right)\right) \\ &= \text{Cl}\left(\text{Int}\left(\text{Cl}\left(\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} V_\lambda\right)\right)\right) \\ &\subset \text{Cl}\left(\text{Int}\left(\text{Cl}\left(\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(V_\lambda))\right)\right)\right) \\ &= \text{Cl}\left(\text{Int}\left(\text{Cl}\left(\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \text{Int}(V_\lambda)\right)\right)\right) \\ &\subset \text{Cl}\left(\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \text{Int}(V_\lambda)\right) = \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(V_\lambda)). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the proof follows.  $\square$

As a consequence of Proposition 3.2, we obtain the following result.

**Corollary 3.1.** (Sanabria et al. [15]) Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an ideal on a space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then, the following properties hold:

- (1) If  $\mathcal{I}$  is  $\tau$ -boundary and  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ), then  $(X, \tau)$  is almost-paracompact.
- (2)  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{N}$ ) if and only if it is almost-paracompact.

**Theorem 3.1.** If every open subset of a space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ), then every subspace of  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is  $\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ).

*Proof.* Suppose that  $A$  is any subspace of  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  and let  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\mu : \mu \in \Delta\}$  be a  $\tau_\wedge$ -open cover of  $A$ . For every  $\mu \in \Delta$  there exists  $V_\mu \in \tau$  such that  $U_\mu = V_\mu \cap A$ . Put  $V = \bigcup \{V_\mu : \mu \in \Delta\}$ , then  $V \in \tau$  and  $\mathcal{V} = \{V_\mu : \mu \in \Delta\}$  is a  $\tau$ -open cover of  $V$ . By hypothesis, there exist  $I \in \mathcal{I}$  and a  $\tau$ -locally finite collection  $\mathcal{W} = \{W_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  of  $\tau$ -semi-open sets such that  $\mathcal{W}$  refines  $\mathcal{V}$  and  $V \subset \bigcup \{W_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\} \cup I$ . Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \bigcup_{\mu \in \Delta} U_\mu = \bigcup_{\mu \in \Delta} (V_\mu \cap A) = \left( \bigcup_{\mu \in \Delta} V_\mu \right) \cap A \\ &= V \cap A \subset \left( \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} W_\lambda \cup I \right) \cap A = \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (W_\lambda \cap A) \cup I_A, \end{aligned}$$

where  $I_A = I \cap A \in \mathcal{I}_A$ . If  $x \in A$ , then there exists  $G_x \in \tau$  containing  $x$  such that  $W_\lambda \cap G_x = \emptyset$  for all  $\lambda \neq \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  and so  $(W_\lambda \cap G_x) \cap A = \emptyset$  for all  $\lambda \neq \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ . It follows that  $(W_\lambda \cap A) \cap (G_x \cap A) = \emptyset$  for all  $\lambda \neq \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  and hence, the collection  $\mathcal{H} = \{W_\lambda \cap A : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is  $\tau_\wedge$ -locally finite. If  $W_\lambda \cap A \in \mathcal{H}$ , then  $W_\lambda \in \mathcal{W}$  and since  $\mathcal{W}$  refines  $\mathcal{V}$ ,  $W_\lambda \subseteq V_\mu$  for some  $V_\mu \in \mathcal{V}$ , which implies that  $W_\lambda \cap A \subset V_\mu \cap A = U_\mu \in \mathcal{U}$ . Therefore,  $\mathcal{H}$  refines  $\mathcal{U}$ . This shows that  $\mathcal{H} = \{W_\lambda \cap A : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is a  $\tau_\wedge$ -locally finite collection of  $\tau_\wedge$ -semi-open sets which refines  $\mathcal{U}$  such that  $A \subset \bigcup \{H : H \in \mathcal{H}\} \cup I_A$ . Thus, every subspace of  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is  $\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ).  $\square$

The following result is an immediate consequence of Theorem 3.2.

**Corollary 3.2.** If every open subset of a space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ), then  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is  $\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ).

Recall that a subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be  $g$ -closed [12] if  $\text{Cl}(A) \subset U$  whenever  $A \subset U$  and  $U \in \tau$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** If  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is  $\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ) and  $A$  is a  $g$ -closed subset of  $X$ , then  $A$  is  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ).

*Proof.* Suppose that  $A$  is a  $g$ -closed subset of an  $S$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ) space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ . Let  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\mu : \mu \in \Delta\}$  be an open cover of  $A$ . Since  $A$  is  $g$ -closed and  $A \subset \bigcup\{U_\mu : \mu \in \Delta\}$ , then  $sCl(A) \subset \bigcup\{U_\mu : \mu \in \Delta\}$ . For each  $x \notin Cl(A)$  there exists a  $\tau$ -open set  $G_x$  containing  $x$  such that  $A \cap G_x = \emptyset$ . Put  $\mathcal{U}' = \{U_\mu : \mu \in \Delta\} \cup \{G_x : x \notin Cl(A)\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{U}'$  is an open cover of the  $S$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ) space  $X$  and so, there exist  $I \in \mathcal{I}$  and a locally finite collection  $\mathcal{V} = \{V_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  of semi-open sets such that  $\mathcal{V}$  refines  $\mathcal{U}$  and  $X = \bigcup\{V_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\} \cup I$ . For each  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ , either  $V_\lambda \subset U_{\mu(\lambda)}$  for some  $\mu(\lambda) \in \Delta$  or  $V_\lambda \subset G_{x(\lambda)}$  for some  $x(\lambda) \notin Cl(A)$ . Now, put  $\Lambda_0 = \{\lambda \in \Lambda : V_\lambda \subset U_{\beta(\lambda)}\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{V}' = \{V_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda_0\}$  is a collection of semi-open sets which is locally finite and refines  $\mathcal{U}$ . Also,

$$\begin{aligned} X - \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda_0} V_\lambda &= \left( \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} V_\lambda \cup I \right) - \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda_0} V_\lambda = \bigcup_{\lambda \notin \Lambda_0} V_\lambda \cup I \\ &\subset \bigcup_{\lambda \notin \Lambda_0} G_{x(\lambda)} \cup I \subset (X - A) \cup I = X - (A - I), \end{aligned}$$

which implies  $A - I \subset \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda_0} V_\lambda$  and hence  $A \subset \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda_0} V_\lambda \cup I$ . This shows that  $A$  is  $\alpha S$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ). □

**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be a space. Then, the following properties hold:

- (1) If  $A$  is an open  $\alpha S$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ) subset of  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ , then  $A$  is  $S$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ).
- (2) If  $A$  is a clopen subset of  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ , then  $A$  is  $\alpha S$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ) if and only if it is  $S$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ).

*Proof.* (1) Let  $A$  be an open  $\alpha S$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ) subset of  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ . Let  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\mu : \mu \in \Delta\}$  be a  $\tau_A$ -open cover of  $A$ . Since  $A$  is  $\tau$ -open, we have  $\mathcal{U}$  is a  $\tau$ -open cover of  $A$  and hence, there exist  $I \in \mathcal{I}$  and a  $\tau$ -locally finite collection  $\mathcal{V} = \{V_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  of  $\tau$ -semi-open sets which refines  $\mathcal{U}$  such that  $A \subset \bigcup\{V_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\} \cup I$ . It follows that  $A \subset \bigcup\{V_\lambda \cap A : \lambda \in \Lambda\} \cup (I \cap A)$  and so, the collection  $\mathcal{V}_A = \{V_\lambda \cap A : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is a  $\tau_A$ -locally finite  $\tau_A$ -semi-open refinement of  $\mathcal{U}$  and is an  $\mathcal{I}_A$ -cover of  $A$ . Therefore,  $A$  is  $S$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ).

(2) If  $A$  is a clopen and  $\alpha S$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ) subset of  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ , then from (1) we obtain that  $A$  is  $S$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ). Conversely, let  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\mu : \mu \in \Delta\}$  be a  $\tau$ -open cover of  $A$ . The collection  $\mathcal{V} = \{A \cap U_\mu : \mu \in \Delta\}$  is a  $\tau_A$ -open cover of the  $S$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ) subspace  $(A, \tau_A, \mathcal{I}_A)$  and hence, there exist  $I_A \in \mathcal{I}_A$  and a  $\tau_A$ -locally finite  $\tau_A$ -semi-open refinement  $\mathcal{W} = \{W_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  of  $\mathcal{V}$  such that  $A = \bigcup\{W_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\} \cup I_A$ . It is easy to see that  $\mathcal{W}$  refines  $\mathcal{U}$  and by Lemma 2.1(3), we have that  $W_\lambda \in SO(X, \tau)$  for each  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . To show  $\mathcal{W} = \{W_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is  $\tau$ -locally finite, let  $x \in X$ . Si  $x \in A$ , then there exists  $O_x \in \tau_A \subset \tau$  containing  $x$  such that  $O_x$  intersects at most finitely many members of  $\mathcal{W}$ . Otherwise  $X \setminus A$  is a  $\tau$ -open set containing  $x$  which intersects no member of  $\mathcal{W}$ . Therefore,  $\mathcal{W}$  is  $\tau$ -locally finite and such that

$A = \bigcup\{W_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\} \cup I_\lambda \subset \bigcup\{W_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\} \cup I$  for some  $I \in \mathcal{I}$ . Thus,  $A$  is  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ).  $\square$

As a consequence of Theorem 3.3, we obtain the following result.

**Corollary 3.3.** Every clopen subspace of a  $\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ) space is  $\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ).

**Lemma 3.1.** Let  $A$  be a subset of a space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ . If every open cover of  $A$  has a locally finite closed refinement  $\mathcal{V}$  such that  $A \subset \bigcup\{V : V \in \mathcal{V}\} \cup I$  for some  $I \in \mathcal{I}$ , then  $\mathcal{V}$  has a locally finite open refinement  $\mathcal{W}$  such that  $A \subset \bigcup\{W : W \in \mathcal{W}\} \cup I$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open cover of  $A$ . By hypothesis, there exist  $I \in \mathcal{I}$  and a locally finite closed refinement  $\mathcal{V} = \{V_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  of  $\mathcal{U}$  such that  $A \subset \bigcup\{V_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\} \cup I$ . For each  $x \in A$ , there exists an open set  $G_x$  containing  $x$  such that  $G_x$  intersects at most finitely many members of  $\mathcal{V}$ . Note that the collection  $\mathcal{G} = \{G_x : x \in A\}$  is an open cover of  $A$  and again by hypothesis, there exist  $J \in \mathcal{I}$  and a locally finite closed refinement  $\mathcal{H} = \{H_\mu : \mu \in \Delta\}$  of  $\mathcal{G}$  such that  $A \subset \bigcup\{H_\mu : \mu \in \Delta\} \cup J$ . Now, as  $\{H_\mu : H_\mu \cap V_\lambda = \emptyset\} \subset \mathcal{H}$ , then the collection  $\{H_\mu : H_\mu \cap V_\lambda = \emptyset\}$  is locally finite and  $\bigcup\{H_\mu : H_\mu \cap V_\lambda = \emptyset\} = \bigcup\{\text{Cl}(H_\mu) : H_\mu \cap V_\lambda = \emptyset\} = \text{Cl}(\bigcup\{H_\mu : H_\mu \cap V_\lambda = \emptyset\})$ , it follows that  $O_\lambda = X - \bigcup\{H_\mu : H_\mu \cap V_\lambda = \emptyset\}$  is an open set and  $V_\lambda \subset O_\lambda$ , for each  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . For each  $\mu \in \Delta$  and  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ , we have

$$H_\mu \cap O_\lambda \neq \emptyset \iff H_\mu \cap V_\lambda \neq \emptyset. \quad (*)$$

Since  $\mathcal{V}$  refines  $\mathcal{U}$ , for every  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  there exists  $U(\lambda) \in \mathcal{U}$  such that  $V_\lambda \subset U(\lambda)$ . Put  $W_\lambda = O_\lambda \cap U(\lambda)$ , then the collection  $\mathcal{W} = \{W_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is an open refinement of  $\mathcal{U}$ . Furthermore, if  $x \in A$  there exists an open set  $D_x$  such that  $D_x$  intersects at most finitely many members of  $\mathcal{H}$ , it follows from (\*) that  $\mathcal{W}$  is locally finite. Also,  $A \subset \bigcup\{V_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\} \cup I \subset \bigcup\{O_\lambda \cap U(\lambda) : \lambda \in \Lambda\} \cup I = A \subset \bigcup\{W_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\} \cup I$ .  $\square$

The following theorem shows that, in the presence of the axiom of regularity, the notions of  $\alpha$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ) and  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ) subsets are equivalent.

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an ideal on a regular space  $(X, \tau)$  and  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ . Then,  $A$  is  $\alpha$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ) if and only if it is  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ).

*Proof.* Necessity is obvious from the definitions. To show sufficiency, assume  $A$  is an  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ) subset of  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  and let  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\mu : \mu \in \Delta\}$  be an open cover of  $A$ . For each  $x \in A$ , there exists  $\mu(x) \in \Delta$  such that  $x \in U_{\mu(x)}$  and since  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is a regular space, there exists an open set  $V_x$  such that  $x \in V_x \subset \text{Cl}(V_x) \subset U_{\mu(x)}$ . Thus,  $\mathcal{V} = \{V_x : x \in A\}$  is an open cover of  $A$  and because  $A$  is  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ), there exist  $I \in \mathcal{I}$  and a locally finite semi-open refinement  $\mathcal{W} = \{W_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  of  $\mathcal{V}$  such that  $A \subset \bigcup\{W_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\} \cup I$ . Since  $\mathcal{W}$  refines  $\mathcal{V}$ , then for each  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  there exists  $x(\lambda) \in X$  such that  $W_\lambda \subset V_{x(\lambda)}$  and so,  $W_\lambda \subset \text{Cl}(W_\lambda) \subset \text{Cl}(V_{x(\lambda)}) \subset U_{\mu(x(\lambda))}$ . Obviously the collection  $\{\text{Cl}(W_\lambda) : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is a locally finite closed refinement of  $\mathcal{U}$  such that

$A \subset \bigcup\{\text{Cl}(W_\lambda) : \lambda \in \Lambda\} \cup I$ . By Lemma 3.1, the open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $A$  has a locally finite open refinement  $\mathcal{H}$  such that  $A \subset \bigcup\{H : H \in \mathcal{H}\} \cup I$ . Therefore,  $A$  is an  $\alpha$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ) subset of  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.3.** If  $A$  is an  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ) subset of a space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  and  $B$  is a subset of  $X$  with  $\partial(B) \in \mathcal{I}$ , then  $A \cap \text{Cl}(B)$  is  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ).

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open cover of  $A \cap \text{Cl}(B)$ . Then  $\mathcal{U}' = \mathcal{U} \cup \{X - \text{Cl}(B)\}$  is an open cover of  $A$  and so, there exist  $I \in \mathcal{I}$  and a locally finite semi-open refinement  $\mathcal{V} = \{V_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  of  $\mathcal{U}'$  such that  $A \subset \bigcup\{V_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\} \cup I$ . Then,  $\partial(\text{Cl}(B)) \subset \partial(B) \in \mathcal{I}$  and

$$A \cap \text{Cl}(B) \subset \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} V_\lambda \cap \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(B)) \cup J,$$

where  $J = [(\bigcup\{V_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}) \cap \partial(\text{Cl}(B))] \cup (I \cap \text{Cl}(B)) \in \mathcal{I}$ . Thus, the collection  $\mathcal{V}' = \{V_\lambda \cap \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(B)) : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is a locally finite semi-open refinement of  $\mathcal{U}$  such that  $A \cap \text{Cl}(B) \subset \bigcup\{V : V \in \mathcal{V}'\} \cup J$ . Therefore,  $A \cap \text{Cl}(B)$  is  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ).  $\square$

The following result follows from Proposition 3.3 and the fact that the topological frontier of a semi-open (resp. semi-closed) set is nowhere dense.

**Corollary 3.4.** If  $A$  is an  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{N}$ ) subset of a space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  and  $B$  is either semi-open or semi-closed, then  $A \cap \text{Cl}(B)$  is  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{N}$ ).

**Remark 3.2.** If  $\{V_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is a locally finite collection of subsets of a space  $(X, \tau)$ , then the collection  $\{\partial(V_\lambda) : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is locally finite.

According to [7], if  $\mathcal{I}$  is an ideal on a space  $(X, \tau)$  and  $\mathfrak{F}$  is the collection of all closed sets of  $(X, \tau)$ , then the collection  $\{A \subset X : \text{Cl}(A) \in \mathcal{I}\}$  is an ideal contained in  $\mathcal{I}$ . The ideal generated by the collection of whole closed sets in  $\mathcal{I}$  is denoted by  $\langle \mathcal{I} \cap \mathfrak{F} \rangle$ . It is clear that  $\langle \mathcal{I} \cap \mathfrak{F} \rangle = \{A \subset X : \text{Cl}(A) \in \mathcal{I}\}$ .

**Proposition 3.4.** Let  $A$  be a subset of a space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ . If  $A$  is  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\langle \mathcal{I} \cap \mathfrak{F} \rangle$ ) and  $\mathcal{N} \subset \mathcal{I}$ , then  $\text{Cl}(A)$  is  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ).

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open cover of  $\text{Cl}(A)$ . By hypothesis, there exist  $I_A \in \langle \mathcal{I} \cap \mathfrak{F} \rangle$  and a locally finite collection  $\mathcal{V} = \{V_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  of semi-open sets such that  $\mathcal{V}$  refines  $\mathcal{U}$  and  $A \subset \bigcup\{V_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\} \cup I_A$ . Then,

$$\text{Cl}(A) \subset \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \text{Cl}(V_\lambda) \cup \text{Cl}(I_A) = \left( \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} V_\lambda \right) \cup \left( \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \partial(V_\lambda) \right) \cup \text{Cl}(I_A).$$

By Remark 3.2, the collection  $\{\partial(V_\lambda) : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is locally finite and  $\partial(V_\lambda) \in \mathcal{N}$  for each  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . Thus, by [6, Lemma 2.1], we have  $\bigcup\{\partial(V_\lambda) : \lambda \in \Lambda\} \in \mathcal{N} \subset \mathcal{I}$ . Put  $I = \bigcup\{\partial(V_\lambda) : \lambda \in \Lambda\} \cup \text{Cl}(I_A)$ , then  $I \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $\text{Cl}(A) \subset \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} V_\lambda \cup I$ . Therefore,  $\text{Cl}(A)$  is  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{I}$ ).  $\square$

Since  $\mathcal{N}$  is the ideal of nowhere dense subsets of  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $A \in \mathcal{N}$  if and only if  $\text{Cl}(A) \in \mathcal{N}$ . In the case that  $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{N}$ , then  $\langle \mathcal{I} \cap \mathfrak{F} \rangle = \mathcal{N}$ . The following corollary is a direct consequence of Proposition 3.4.

**Corollary 3.5.** If  $A$  is an  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{N}$ ) subset of a space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ , then  $\text{Cl}(A)$  is  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{N}$ ).

**Lemma 3.2.** [7] If  $\{A_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is a locally finite collection of meager sets of a space  $(X, \tau)$ , then  $\bigcup\{A_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is meager.

**Theorem 3.5.** If  $\{A_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is a locally finite collection of  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{M}$ ) subsets of a space  $(X, \tau)$ , then  $\bigcup\{A_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{M}$ ).

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open cover of  $\bigcup\{A_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  and put  $\mathcal{U}_\lambda = \{U \in \mathcal{U} : U \cap A_\lambda \neq \emptyset\}$  for each  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . By the hypothesis, there exist  $M_\lambda \in \mathcal{M}$  and a locally finite collection  $\mathcal{V}_\lambda$  of semi-open sets such that  $\mathcal{V}_\lambda$  refines  $\mathcal{U}_\lambda$  and  $A_\lambda \subset \bigcup\{V : V \in \mathcal{V}_\lambda\} \cup M_\lambda$ . Then, we have

$$A_\lambda \subset \bigcup_{V \in \mathcal{V}_\lambda} (V \cap \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(A_\lambda))) \cup \bigcup_{V \in \mathcal{V}_\lambda} (V \cap \partial(\text{Cl}(A_\lambda))) \cup M_\lambda.$$

For each  $V \in \mathcal{V}_\lambda$  and each  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ ,  $V \cap \partial(\text{Cl}(A_\lambda))$  is nowhere dense and the collection  $\{V \cap \partial(\text{Cl}(A_\lambda)) : V \in \mathcal{V}_\lambda, \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is locally finite, so by [6, Lemma 2.1], the union of all elements of  $\{V \cap \partial(\text{Cl}(A_\lambda)) : V \in \mathcal{V}_\lambda, \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is a nowhere dense set. By Lemma 3.2, we obtain  $\bigcup\{M_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\} \in \mathcal{M}$  and

$$M = \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \bigcup_{V \in \mathcal{V}_\lambda} V \cap \partial(\text{Cl}(A_\lambda)) \cup \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} M_\lambda \in \mathcal{M}.$$

Now, the collection  $\{V \cap \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(A_\lambda)) : V \in \mathcal{V}_\lambda, \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  of semi-open sets is locally finite and refines  $\mathcal{U}$  and also

$$\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} A_\lambda \subset \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \bigcup_{V \in \mathcal{V}_\lambda} V \cap \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(A_\lambda)) \cup M.$$

Therefore,  $\bigcup\{A_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is  $\alpha\mathcal{S}$ -paracompact (mod  $\mathcal{M}$ ).  $\square$

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