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A note on quasi-versions of selection principles

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Abstract. In this paper, we introduce notions of hereditarily weakly selection principles and strongly quasiselection principles and show that they are different from quasi-selection principles and weakly selection principles which are studied in [1]. By introducing the strongly quasi-separability, the quasi-separability and the weakly separability, we provide relations among these separable properties and weak versions of selection principles. These extend some results of G. Di Maio and Lj.D.R. Kočinac [1].

1. Introduction

Throughout the paper all spaces are assumed to be topological spaces. By \mathbb{N} and \mathbb{R} we denote the sets of natural numbers and real numbers. ω denotes the first infinite cardinal. The continuum is denoted by c. Most of undefined notion and terminology are as in [3].

Recall two very known selection principles defined in 1996 by M. Scheepers [5]. Let \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} be collections of sets of an infinite set X.

 $S_1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ denotes the selection principle: for each sequence $\{A_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of elements of \mathcal{A} there is a sequence $\{b_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ such that $b_n \in A_n$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\{b_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is an element of \mathcal{B} .

 $S_{fin}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ denotes the selection principle: for each sequence $\{A_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of elements of \mathcal{A} there is a sequence $\{B_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ such that B_n is a finite subset of A_n for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} B_n \in \mathcal{B}$.

G. Di Maio and Lj.D.R. Kočinac [1] defined the following quasi-versions of selection principles:

1. A space *X* is said to be *quasi-Rothberger* if for each closed set $F \subset X$ and each sequence $\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of covers of *F* by sets open in *X* there is a sequence $\{U_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ such that for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $U_n \in \mathcal{U}_n$ and $F \subset \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_n$.

2. A space *X* is said to be *quasi-Menger* if for each closed set $F \subset X$ and each sequence $\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of covers of *F* by sets open in *X* there is a sequence $\{\mathcal{V}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of finite sets such that for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\mathcal{V}_n \subset \mathcal{U}_n$ and $F \subset \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \bigcup \mathcal{V}_n$.

For a space *X* and a subset *F* of *X*, we denote:

- $O_F = \{\mathcal{U} : \mathcal{U} \text{ is a cover of } F \text{ by sets open in } X\};$
- $O_F^D = \{ \mathcal{U} : \mathcal{U} \text{ is a family of open subsets of } X \text{ such that } F \subset \overline{\bigcup \mathcal{U}} \}.$

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So, a space *X* is quasi-Rothberger (resp., quasi-Menger) if and only if each closed subset *F* of *X* satisfies $S_1(O_F, O_F^D)$ (resp., $S_{fin}(O_F, O_F^D)$). We denote

• L : Lindelöf;

- **qL** : quasi-Lindelöf;
- wL : weakly Lindelöf;
- H : Hurewicz;
- qH : quasi-Hurewicz;
- wH : weakly Hurewicz;
- M : Menger;
- qM : quasi-Menger;
- wM : weakly Menger;
- R : Rothberger;
- qR : quasi-Rothberger;
- wR : weakly Rothberger;
- GN : Gerlits-Nagy;
- qGN : quasi-Gerlits-Nagy;
- wGN : weakly Gerlits-Nagy.

In [1] the authors established the following implications.



Diagram 1

In this paper, we introduce hereditarily weakly selection principles and strongly quasi-selection principles (Rows 1-2 in **Diagram** 2) stronger than quasi-selection principles and weakly selection principles (Rows 3-4 in **Diagram** 2 or Columns 2-3 in **Diagram** 1) and investigate the relationships among these selection principles. We also introduce the strongly quasi-separability, the quasi-separability and the weakly separability (Column 1 in **Diagram** 2) and the weak π -base in order to obtain characterizations of these weak selection principles. We give the following implications.



This paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we introduce weakly dense sets and the quasiseparability (qs) to characterize quasi-selection principles (Row 3 in **Diagram** 2). In Section 3, we introduce the strongly quasi-separability (sqs) and study strongly quasi-selection principles (Row 2 in **Diagram** 2). In Section 4, we introduce the weakly separability (ws) to study weakly selection principles (Row 4 in **Diagram** 2). In Section 5, by the hereditarily separability (hs), we study hereditarily weakly selection principles (Row 1 in **Diagram** 2). In Section 6, in order to complete the **Diagram** 2, we compare the hereditarily separability, the strongly quasi-separability, the quasi-separability and the weakly separability (Column 1 in **Diagram** 2) and point that these separable properties are different.

2. Quasi-selection principles

Definition 2.1. A subset *D* of *X* is said to be *weakly dense* in *X*, if for every open neighborhood assignment $\{U_x : x \in D\}$, then $\bigcup_{x \in D} U_x$ is dense in *X*.

Definition 2.2. A space *X* is said to be *quasi-separable* if each closed subspace of *X* has a countable weakly dense subset.

Obviously, each dense subset of *X* is weakly dense in *X*.

Theorem 2.3. If *X* is a quasi-separable space, then *X* is quasi-Rothberger.

Proof. Let *F* be a closed subset of *X* and $\{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be a countable weakly dense subset of *F*. If $\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a sequence of open covers of *F* by sets open in *X*, then $\mathcal{V}_n = \{U \cap F : U \in \mathcal{U}_n\}$ is an open cover of *F*. Take $U_n \cap F \in \mathcal{V}_n$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x_n \in U_n \cap F$. Let τ_F be the subspace topology of *F*. Since *X* is quasi-separable, then $F = \operatorname{Cl}_{\tau_F}(\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_n \cap F) \subset \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_n$. So *X* is quasi-Rothberger. \Box

The converse of Theorem 2.3 is not true.

Example 2.4. ([6]) There is a quasi-Rothberger space which is not quasi-separable.

Proof. Let *X* be an uncountable set and $X^* = X \bigcup \{\infty\}$, where $\infty \notin X$. Endow X^* with the following topology τ^* :

$$\tau^* = \{ V \cup \{ \infty \} : V \subset X \} \bigcup \{ \emptyset \}.$$

Then (X^*, τ^*) is quasi-Rothberger but it is not quasi-separable. Indeed, let *F* be a closed subspace of X^* , $\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be a sequence of covers of *F* by sets open in X^* . Pick any $U_n \in \mathcal{U}_n$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $\infty \in U_n$. For each $x \in F$ and any neighborhood U_x of *x*, then $\infty \in U_x$. Hence $U_x \cap (\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_n) \neq \emptyset$. Thus $F \subset \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_n$. So X^* is quasi-Rothberger. *X* is a closed uncountable discrete subspace of X^* . So X^* is not quasi-separable. \Box

Recall that a space *X* is said to be *hereditarily separable* if each subspace of *X* is separable. A hereditarily separable space is quasi-separable. The converse is not true.

Example 2.5. ([6]) There is a quasi-separable space which is not hereditarily separable.

Proof. Let \mathbb{R} be real line with usual topology τ , we denote

$$\mathcal{B} = \{ V - A : V \in \tau, A \subset \mathbb{R}, |A| \le \omega \}.$$

The collection \mathcal{B} is a base for a new topology τ' on \mathbb{R} .

1. (\mathbb{R}, τ') is quasi-separable. Let *F* be a τ' -closed subset of \mathbb{R} and take a countable τ -dense subset $D_F = \{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of *F* since (\mathbb{R}, τ) is hereditarily separable. If U_n is a τ' -open neighborhood of x_n for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $F \subset \operatorname{Cl}_{\tau'}(\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_n)$. In fact, let $x \in F$, $U_x = V_x - A_x$ be a τ' -open neighborhood of x, where V_x is a τ -open subset of \mathbb{R} and $|A_x| \leq \omega$. Take $x_{n_0} \in D_F \cap V_x$ and $U_{n_0} = V_{n_0} - A_{n_0} \in \tau'$, then $x_{n_0} \in V_{n_0} \cap V_x \neq \emptyset$, where V_{n_0} is a τ -open subset of \mathbb{R} , $|A_{n_0}| \leq \omega$. So $U_x \cap U_{n_0} \neq \emptyset$. Otherwise, $(V_x - A_x) \cap (V_{n_0} - A_{n_0}) = \emptyset$, then $(V_x \cap V_{n_0}) - (A_x \cup A_{n_0}) = \emptyset$. But $|V_{n_0} \cap V_x| > \omega$, and $|A_{n_0} \cup A_x| \leq \omega$. This is a contradiction.

2. For any countable set *D*, since $\mathbb{R}\setminus D$ is non-empty open and disjoint from *D*, then *D* is not dense in (\mathbb{R}, τ') . So (\mathbb{R}, τ') is not hereditarily separable. \Box

Remark 2.6. Example 2.5 show that the quasi-separability is weaker than the hereditarily separability. Thus Theorem 2.3 improves Proposition 2.2 of [1].

Recall that a space *X* is said to be 1-*star-Lindelöf* [2] if for every open cover \mathcal{U} of *X*, there exists a countable subset $\mathcal{V} \subset \mathcal{U}$ such that $X = \text{st}(\bigcup \mathcal{V}, \mathcal{U})$, where $\text{st}(\bigcup \mathcal{V}, \mathcal{U}) = \bigcup \{U \in \mathcal{U} : U \cap (\bigcup \mathcal{V}) \neq \emptyset\}$. So we give the following definition.

Definition 2.7. A space *X* is said to be *quasi-1-star-Lindelöf* if for each clopen subset *F* of *X* and every cover \mathcal{U} of *F* by sets open in *X*, there exists a countable subset $\mathcal{V} \subset \mathcal{U}$ such that $F \subset \text{st}(\bigcup \mathcal{V}, \mathcal{U})$.

Obviously, each quasi-1-star-Lindelöf space is 1-star-Lindelöf.

Theorem 2.8. If X is a quasi-Menger space, then X is quasi-1-star-Lindelöf.

Proof. Suppose that \mathcal{U} is a cover of clopen subset $F \subset X$ by sets open in X. Let $\mathcal{U}_n = \mathcal{U}$, then $\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a sequence of open covers of F. There exists a finite subset $\mathcal{V}_n \subset \mathcal{U}_n$ such that $F \subset \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \bigcup \mathcal{V}_n$. Let $\mathcal{V} = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{V}_n$, then \mathcal{V} is countable. Thus $F \subset \operatorname{st}(\bigcup \mathcal{V}, \mathcal{U})$. In fact, let $x \in F$, there exists $U \in \mathcal{U}$ such that $x \in U$. There exist $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ and $V \in \mathcal{V}_{n_0}$ such that $U \cap V \neq \emptyset$. Thus $x \in U \subset \operatorname{st}(\bigcup \mathcal{V}_{n_0}, \mathcal{U}) \subset \operatorname{st}(\bigcup \mathcal{V}, \mathcal{U})$. So X is quasi-1-star-Lindelöf. \Box

We denote

- qs : quasi-separable;
- qR : quasi-Rothberger;
- qM : quasi-Menger;
- q-1-s-L : quasi-1-star-Lindelöf.

So we have Row 3 of Diagram 2.

 $qs \xrightarrow{\leftarrow} qR \longrightarrow qM \longrightarrow q-1-s-L$

Diagram 3 : Quasi-selection principle case.

Recall that a π -base [4] of X is a family \mathcal{V} of non-empty open subsets in X such that for each non-empty open subset U of X, there exists $V \in \mathcal{V}$ such that $V \subset U$. The π -weight of X, denoted $\pi w(X)$, is defined as follows:

 $\pi w(X) = \omega + \min\{|\mathcal{V}| : \mathcal{V} \text{ is a } \pi \text{-base of } X\}.$

In order to give a new characterization of the quasi-selection principles, we define weak π -bases weaker than π -bases.

Definition 2.9. A family \mathcal{V} ($X \notin \mathcal{V}$) of non-empty open subsets of X is said to be a *weak* π -*base* of X, if for each non-empty open subset U of X, there exists $V \in \mathcal{V}$ such that $V \cap U \neq \emptyset$.

The *weak* π -*weight of* X, denoted $w\pi w(X)$, is defined as follows:

 $w\pi w(X) = \omega + \min\{|\mathcal{V}| : \mathcal{V} \text{ is a weak } \pi\text{-base of } X\}.$

Note that $w\pi w(X) \le d(X) \le \pi w(X)$, where d(X) denotes the density of *X*.

Example 2.10. There is a space *X* such that $w\pi w(X) < d(X)$.

Proof. Let \mathbb{R} be endowed with discrete topology, we denote

 $\mathcal{V} = \{(x, y) : x < y, x, y \in \mathbb{Q}\}, \text{ where } \mathbb{Q} \text{ is the set of rational numbers.}$

Then \mathcal{V} is a countable weak π -base for discrete topology on \mathbb{R} . So $w\pi w(\mathbb{R}) = \omega$. But $d(\mathbb{R}) = \mathfrak{c} > w\pi w(\mathbb{R})$.

Definition 2.11. Let $F \subseteq X$. A family \mathcal{V} of open subsets of X is said to be a weak π -base on F, if for each open subset U of X with $U \cap F \neq \emptyset$, there exists $V \in \mathcal{V}$ such that $V \cap U \neq \emptyset$.

Note that for a subset $F \subseteq X$, if F = X, then a weak π -base of F and a weak π -base on F are the same; if $F \subsetneq X$, then a weak π -base of F and a weak π -base on F are different.

Lemma 2.12. A family \mathcal{V} of open subsets of X is a weak π -base on $F \subseteq X$ if and only if $F \subseteq \overline{\bigcup \mathcal{V}}$.

Proof. Suppose \mathcal{V} is a weak π -base on F, let $x \in F$, and suppose U is an open subset of X with $x \in U$. Since $U \cap F \neq \emptyset$, there is some $V \in \mathcal{V}$ so that $V \cap U \neq \emptyset$. That is, $U \cap \bigcup \mathcal{V} \neq \emptyset$. Since U was arbitrary, $x \in \bigcup \mathcal{V}$. So $F \subseteq \bigcup \mathcal{V}$.

Suppose $F \subseteq \overline{\bigcup V}$ and let *U* be an open subset of *X* with $U \cap F \neq \emptyset$. Now, observe that it must be the case that $U \cap \bigcup V \neq \emptyset$, so there is some $V \in V$ with $V \cap U \neq \emptyset$. \Box

By Lemma 2.12, we can obtain the following Theorems 2.13-2.14.

Theorem 2.13. *For a space X, the following are equivalent:*

(1) X is quasi-Rothberger;

(2) For each closed subset F of X and each sequence $\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of covers of F by sets open in X, there exists $U_n \in \mathcal{U}_n$ such that $\{U_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a weak π -base on F.

Theorem 2.14. For a space X, the following are equivalent:

(1) X is quasi-Menger;

(2) For each closed subset F of X and each sequence $\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of covers of F by sets open in X, there exists a finite subset $\mathcal{V}_n \subset \mathcal{U}_n$ such that $\{\bigcup \mathcal{V}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a weak π -base on F.

3. Strongly quasi-selection principles

Definition 3.1. A space *X* is said to be *strongly quasi-separable* if each subspace of *X* has a countable weakly dense subset.

Definition 3.2. A space *X* is said to be

1. *strongly quasi-Rothberger* if for each subset $F \subset X$ and each sequence $\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of covers of F by sets open in X, there exists $U_n \in \mathcal{U}_n$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $F \subset \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_n$.

2. *strongly quasi-Menger* if for each subset $F \subset X$ and each sequence $\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of covers of F by sets open in X there exists a finite subset $\mathcal{V}_n \subset \mathcal{U}_n$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $F \subset \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \bigcup \mathcal{V}_n$.

Theorem 3.3. If X is a strongly quasi-separable space, then X is strongly quasi-Rothberger.

Theorem 3.4. *If* X *is a hereditarily weakly Rothberger (resp., hereditarily weakly Menger) space, then* X *is strongly quasi-Rothberger (resp., strongly quasi-Menger).*

Proof. We only show the case of the hereditarily weakly Rothberger. Suppose that { $\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}$ } is a sequence of covers of a subset *F* by sets open in *X*, then $\mathcal{V}_n = \{U \cap F : U \in \mathcal{U}_n\}$ is an open cover of subspace *F* of *X*. There exists a $U_n \cap F \in \mathcal{V}_n$ such that $F = \operatorname{Cl}_{\tau_F}(\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} (U_n \cap F))$. So $F \subset \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_n$. Indeed, let $x \in F$ and U_x be an open neighborhood of *x* in *X*. There exists $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $(U_x \cap F) \cap (U_{n_0} \cap F) \neq \emptyset$. Thus $U_x \cap U_{n_0} \neq \emptyset$. So *X* is strongly quasi-Rothberger. \Box

Obviously, every strongly quasi-Rothberger (resp., strongly quasi-Menger) space is quasi-Rothberger (resp., quasi-Menger). Hence we obtain the following implications (Column 2 of **Diagram** 2). Note that Example 3.5-3.6 and Example 4.5 show that each converse of the implications is not true.

 $hwR \xrightarrow{\leftarrow} sqR \xrightarrow{\leftarrow} qR \xrightarrow{\leftarrow} wR$

Diagram 4 : Rothberger case.

Example 3.5. ([6]) There is a quasi-Rothberger space which is not strongly quasi-Rothberger.

Proof. Let X = [0, 1], we denote

$$\tau = \{[0,1]\} \bigcup \{V : V \subset (0,1]\}$$

Then τ is a topology on *X*. (*X*, τ) is quasi-Rothberger but is not strongly quasi-Rothberger. In fact, for each closed subspace *F* of *X*, we have $0 \in F$. Since {0} is a weak dense subset of *F*, then *X* is quasi-separable. So *X* is quasi-Rothberger. But (0, 1] is an uncountable discrete open subset of *X*. So *X* is not strongly quasi-Rothberger. \Box

Example 3.6. There is a strongly quasi-Rothberger space which is not hereditarily weakly Rothberger.

Proof. Let *X* be the subset of the plane \mathbb{R}^2 defined by $y \ge 0$, i.e., $X = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : y \ge 0\}$. Endow *X* with the following topology τ : For every point $P(x, y) \in X$, let

$$U_P = \{ (x', y') \in X : |x' - x| \le y' - y \}.$$

The family $\{U_P : P \in X\}$ is a base of X for the topology τ .

 (X, τ) is strongly quasi-Rothberger. In fact, suppose that *F* is a subset of *X* and $\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a family of open covers of *F* by sets open in *X*. Pick $D_F = \{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ being a countable subset of *F*. Take $U_n \in \mathcal{U}_n$ such that $x_n \in U_n$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $F \subset \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_n$. Thus *X* is a strongly quasi-Rothberger space.

 (X, τ) is not hereditarily weakly Rothberger. In fact, pick subset $X_1 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : y = 0\}$ of X, then X_1 is uncountable and its subspace topology τ_{X_1} is discrete. So (X_1, τ_{X_1}) is not weakly Rothberger. Thus (X, τ) is not hereditarily weakly Rothberger. \Box

Recall that a space *X* satisfies *CCC* (*countable chain condition*) [2,4] if each pairwise disjoint collection of non-empty open subsets of *X* is countable.

From Fig. 1 of [4], we have that if a space *X* has countable spread, then *X* satisfies *CCC*.

Theorem 3.7. If X satisfies CCC, then X is quasi-1-star-Lindelöf.

Proof. Let \mathcal{U} be a cover of a clopen subset F of X by sets open in X, then $\mathcal{U} \cup \{X - F\}$ is an open cover of X. There exists a countable subset \mathcal{V} of \mathcal{U} such that $\bigcup(\mathcal{U} \cup \{X - F\}) \subseteq \bigcup \mathcal{V} \cup \{X - F\} = \bigcup \mathcal{V} \cup \{X - F\}$ [4, Proposition 3.4]. Then $F \subset \bigcup \mathcal{V}$. For each $x \in F$, take $U \in \mathcal{U}$ such that $x \in U$. Then $U \cap (\bigcup \mathcal{V}) \neq \emptyset$. Thus $F \subseteq \operatorname{st}(\bigcup \mathcal{V}, \mathcal{U})$. So X is quasi-1-star-Lindelöf. \Box

Question 3.8. Whether Theorem 3.7 would still hold if the clopenness in the definition of quasi-1-star-Lindelöf can be weakened to just closed subspaces?

Thus we obtain Column 4 of **Diagram** 2.

Theorem 3.9. If X is a strongly quasi-Menger space, then X satisfies CCC.

Proof. Suppose that $\mathcal{U} = \{U_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ is a pairwise disjoint family of non-empty open subsets of *X*. Pick $x_{\alpha} \in U_{\alpha}$ for each $\alpha \in \Lambda$ and let $F = \{x_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$. Let $\mathcal{U}_n = \mathcal{U}$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a sequence of open covers of subset *F* of *X*. Thus there exists a finite subset $\mathcal{V}_n \subset \mathcal{U}_n$, where $\mathcal{V}_n = \{U_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Lambda_n\}$ with $|\Lambda_n| < \omega$ such that $F \subset \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \bigcup \mathcal{V}_n$. If $|\Lambda| > \omega$, then there exists $\alpha_0 \in \Lambda - \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \Lambda_n$. Since U_{α_0} is a neighborhood of x_{α_0} , then $U_{\alpha_0} \cap (\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \bigcup \mathcal{V}_n) \neq \emptyset$. There exists $U_{\alpha} \in \mathcal{V}_n$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $U_{\alpha_0} \cap U_{\alpha} \neq \emptyset$, a contradiction. Hence $|\Lambda| \le \omega$. So *X* is CCC. \Box

We denote

- **sqs** : strongly quasi-separable;
- sqR : strongly quasi-Rothberger;
- **sqM** : strongly quasi-Menger;
- CCC : countable chain condition.

Hence we have Row 2 of Diagram 2.

 $sqs \longrightarrow sqR \longrightarrow sqM \longrightarrow CCC$

Diagram 5 : Strongly quasi-selection principle case.

Similarly, we can prove:

Theorem 3.10. For a space *X*, the following are equivalent:

(1) X is strongly quasi-Rothberger;

(2) For each subset F of X and each sequence $\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of covers of F by sets open in X, there exists $U_n \in \mathcal{U}_n$ such that $\{U_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a weak π -base on F.

Theorem 3.11. For a space *X*, the following are equivalent:

(1) X is strongly quasi-Menger;

(2) For each subset *F* of *X* and each sequence $\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of covers of *F* by sets open in *X*, there exists a finite subset $\mathcal{V}_n \subset \mathcal{U}_n$ such that $\{\bigcup \mathcal{V}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a weak π -base on *F*.

4. Weakly selection principles

Definition 4.1. A space *X* is said to be *weakly separable* if *X* has a countable weakly dense subset.

Definition 4.2. ([1]) A space *X* is said to be

1. *weakly Rothberger* if for every sequence $\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of open covers of X, there exists $U_n \in \mathcal{U}_n$ such that $X = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_n$.

2. *weakly Menger* if for every sequence $\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of open covers of *X*, there exists a finite subset $\mathcal{V}_n \subset \mathcal{U}_n$ such that $X = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \bigcup \mathcal{V}_n$.

Theorem 4.3. If X is a weakly separable space, then X is weakly Rothberger.

Proof. Let $\{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be a countable weakly dense subset of X and $\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be a sequence of open covers of X. Take $U_n \in \mathcal{U}_n$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x_n \in U_n$. Then $X = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_n$ since X is a weakly separable space. So X is weakly Rothberger. \Box

Example 4.4. ([6]) There is a weakly Rothberger space which is not weakly separable.

Proof. Let *X* be an uncountable set and $X^* = X \bigcup \{\infty\}$, where $\infty \notin X$. Endow X^* with the following topology τ^* :

$$\tau^* = \{X^* - A : A \in [X]^{\leq \omega}\} \bigcup \{U : U \subseteq X\}.$$

Then

1. (X^*, τ^*) is weakly Rothberger. In fact, let $\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be a sequence of open covers of X^* . Pick $U_1 = X^* - A \in \mathcal{U}_1$ such that $\infty \in U_1$, where $A = \{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$. Choose $U_{n+1} \in \mathcal{U}_{n+1}$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x_n \in U_{n+1}$. Then $X^* = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_n$. Thus (X^*, τ^*) is Rothberger. So (X^*, τ^*) is weakly Rothberger.

2. (X^*, τ^*) is not weakly separable. Let $C = \{c_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be any countable subset of X^* . (i) If $\infty \in C$, we can put $c_1 = \infty$. Let $B = \{b_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset X$ with $B \cap C = \emptyset$. Take $U_1 = X^* - B$ and $U_{n+1} = \{c_{n+1}\}$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then U_n is an open neighborhood of c_n for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Thus $X^* \neq \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_n$ since each $b_n \notin \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_n$. (ii) If $\infty \notin C$, take $U_n = \{c_n\}$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then U_n is an open neighborhood of c_n . Thus $X^* \neq \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_n$ since $\infty \notin \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_n$. So (X^*, τ^*) is not weakly separable. \Box

Example 4.5. There is a weakly Rothberger space which is not quasi-Rothberger.

Proof. Such a space is described in [1, Example 2.10], where it is shown that *X* is almost Rothberger but it is not quasi-Rothberger. Thus *X* is weakly Rothberger since the weakly Rothberger is weaker than the almost Rothberger. \Box

Similar to Theorem 2.8, one can prove:

Theorem 4.6. If X is a weakly-Menger space, then X is 1-star-Lindelöf.

We denote

- ws : weakly separable;
- wR : weakly Rothberger;
- wM : weakly Menger;
- 1-s-L : 1-star-Lindelöf.

Hence we have Row 4 of **Diagram** 2.

ws $\xrightarrow{\leftarrow}$ wR \longrightarrow wM \longrightarrow 1-s-L

Diagram 6 : Weakly selection principle case.

Similarly, one proves:

Theorem 4.7. For a space *X*, the following are equivalent:

(1) X is weakly-Rothberger;

(2) For each sequence $\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of open covers of X, there exists $U_n \in \mathcal{U}_n$ such that $\{U_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a weak π -base of X.

Theorem 4.8. For a space *X*, the following are equivalent:

(1) X is weakly-Menger;

(2) For each sequence $\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of open covers of X, there exists a finite subset $\mathcal{V}_n \subset \mathcal{U}_n$ such that $\{\bigcup \mathcal{V}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a weak π -base of X.

5. Hereditarily weak selection principles

Definition 5.1. A space X is said to be

- 1. hereditarily weakly Rothberger if each subspace of X is weakly Rothberger;
- 2. hereditarily weakly Menger if each subspace of X is weakly Menger.

Theorem 5.2. If X is a hereditarily separable space, then X is hereditarily weakly Rothberger.

Proof. Assume that *F* is a subspace of *X* and $\{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be a countable dense subset of *F*. If $\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a sequence of open subset covers of *F*, take $U_n \in \mathcal{U}_n$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x_n \in U_n$. Then $F = \operatorname{Cl}_{\tau_F}(\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_n)$, where τ_F is the topology of *F*. So *X* is hereditarily weakly Rothberger. \Box

The *spread of X*, denoted *s*(*X*), is defined as follows [4]:

 $s(X) = \omega + \sup\{|D| : D \subset X, D \text{ is discrete}\}.$

Theorem 5.3. If X is a hereditarily weakly Menger space, then X has countable spread, i.e., $s(X) = \omega$.

Proof. Let $F = \{x_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ be a discrete subset of X. Take $\mathcal{U} = \{\{x_{\alpha}\} : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ and $\mathcal{U}_n = \mathcal{U}$, then $\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a sequence of open subset covers of discrete subspace F. There exists a finite $\Lambda_n \subset \Lambda$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $F = \operatorname{Cl}_{\tau_F}(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda_n} \{x_{\alpha}\}) = \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda_n} \{x_{\alpha}\}$. Then $|F| = |\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda_n} \{x_{\alpha}\}| = \omega$. So $s(X) = \omega$. \Box

We denote

- hs : hereditarily separable;
- hwR : hereditarily weakly Rothberger;
- hwM : hereditarily weakly Menger;
- **cs** : countable spread.

Thus we have Row 1 of **Diagram** 2.

hs \longrightarrow hwR \longrightarrow hwM \longrightarrow cs

Diagram 7 : Hereditarily weak selection principle case.

Similar to Theorems 2.13-2.14, one can prove:

Theorem 5.4. *For a space X, the following are equivalent:*

(1) X is hereditarily weakly Rothberger;

(2) For each subspace F of X and each sequence $\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of open covers of F, there exists $U_n \in \mathcal{U}_n$ such that $\{U_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a π -base of F.

Theorem 5.5. For a space *X*, the following are equivalent:

(1) X is hereditarily weakly Menger;

(2) For each subspace F of X and each sequence $\{\mathcal{U}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ open covers of F, there exists a finite subset $\mathcal{V}_n \subset \mathcal{U}_n$ such that $\{\bigcup \mathcal{V}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a weak π -base of F.

6. Remarks on separable properties

It is easy to show following implications about the separable property. We point the converse of each implication is not true.

hs $\xrightarrow{\leftarrow}$ sqs $\xrightarrow{\leftarrow}$ qs $\xrightarrow{\leftarrow}$ ws $\xleftarrow{\rightarrow}$ s

Diagram 8 : Separability case.

Example 6.1. There is a strongly quasi-separable space which is not hereditarily separable.

Proof. In fact, in Example 2.5, the space (\mathbb{R} , τ') is strongly quasi-separable, but it is not hereditarily separable. Example 2.5 also means that a strongly quasi-separable space need not be separable. \Box

Example 6.2. *There is a quasi-separable space which is not strongly quasi-separable.*

Proof. Example 3.5 is a quasi-separable space and not strongly quasi-separable. \Box

Example 6.3. There is a weakly separable space which is not quasi-separable.

Proof. In Example 2.4, it is shown that (X^*, τ^*) is not quasi-separable. Since $\{\infty\}$ is a weakly dense subset of (X^*, τ^*) , then (X^*, τ^*) is weakly-separable. \Box

Example 6.4. *There is a weakly separable space which is not separable.*

Proof. Let *X* be an uncountable set endowed with countable complement topology, then *X* is weakly separable and not separable. \Box

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