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## Weak topologies, and determining covers

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We assume that spaces are regular  $T_1$ , and maps are continuous and onto.

For a cover  $\mathcal{P}$  of a space  $X$ ,  $X$  is determined by  $\mathcal{P}$  [6], if  $X$  has the *weak topology* with respect to  $\mathcal{P}$  [3]; that is,  $G \subset X$  is open in  $X$  if  $G \cap P$  is open in  $P$  for each  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ . Here, we can replace “open” by “closed”. We call such a cover  $\mathcal{P}$  a **determining cover** in [20].

We recall that a space  $X$  is respectively a *sequential space* [4]; *k-space*; *quasi-k-space* [11] if  $X$  has a determining cover by (compact) metric subsets; compact subsets; countably compact subsets. Sequential spaces are *k-spaces*, and *k-spaces* are *quasi-k-spaces*.

As is well-known, every sequential space; *k-space*; *quasi-k-space* is respectively characterized as a quotient space of a (locally compact) metric space; locally compact (paracompact) space; *M-space*.

Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a collection of subsets of a space  $X$ . Then,  $\mathcal{P}$  is *closure-preserving* (abbreviated by CP), if for any subfamily  $\mathcal{P}'$  of  $\mathcal{P}$ ,  $cl(\bigcup\{P : P \in \mathcal{P}'\}) = \bigcup\{clP : P \in \mathcal{P}'\}$ . Also,  $\mathcal{P}$  is *hereditarily closure-preserving* (abbreviated by HCP), if for any subcollection  $\mathcal{P}' = \{P_\alpha : \alpha\}$  of  $\mathcal{P}$ , and any  $\{A_\alpha : \alpha\}$  such that  $A_\alpha \subset P_\alpha$ , the collection  $\{A_\alpha : \alpha\}$  is CP.

For a closed cover  $\mathcal{F}$  of a space  $X$ ,  $X$  is *dominated by*  $\mathcal{F}$  [7] if  $\mathcal{F}$  is a CP cover, and any  $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{F}$  is a determining cover of the union of  $\mathcal{P}$ . (Sometimes, we also say that  $X$  has the *Whitehead weak topology*; *Morita weak topology* (in the sense of [9]); or *hereditarily weak topology*, with respect to  $\mathcal{F}$ ). We call such a closed cover  $\mathcal{F}$  a **dominating cover** in [20].

A space  $X$  having an increasing determining cover  $\{X_n : n \in N\}$  is called the *inductive limit* of  $\{X_n : n \in N\}$ . When the  $X_n$  are closed in  $X$ ,  $\{X_n : n \in N\}$  is a dominating cover of  $X$ . Also, every CW-complex has a dominating cover by compact metric subsets.

*Open covers*  $\Rightarrow$  *Determining covers*  $\Leftarrow$  *Dominating covers*  $\Leftarrow$  *HCP closed covers*  $\Leftarrow$  *Locally finite closed covers*.

Every space having a determining cover by sequential spaces (resp. *k-spaces*; *quasi-k-spaces*) is a sequential space (resp. *k-space*; *quasi-k-space*).

While, every space having a dominating cover by paracompact spaces (resp. normal spaces) is paracompact (resp. normal); see [7] or [10].

Concerning “*preservations*” of weak topologies, we have the following natural questions (Q1), (Q2) and (Q3), and the same questions which are replaced “determining” by “dominating”.

(Q1) Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a map, and let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a determining cover of  $X$  (resp.  $Y$ ). Under what conditions, is  $f(\mathcal{P}) = \{f(P) : P \in \mathcal{P}\}$  (resp.  $f^{-1}(\mathcal{P}) = \{f^{-1}(P) : P \in \mathcal{P}\}$ ) a determining cover of  $Y$  (resp.  $X$ ) ?

(Q2) Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a determining cover of a space  $X$ . For a (or any) subset  $S \subset X$ , under what conditions, is  $\mathcal{P}|S = \{P \cap S : P \in \mathcal{P}\}$  a determining cover of  $S$  ?

(Q3): For each  $i = 1, 2$ , let  $\mathcal{P}_i$  be a determining cover of a space  $X_i$ . Under what conditions, is  $\mathcal{P}_1 \times \mathcal{P}_2 = \{P_1 \times P_2 : P_i \in \mathcal{P}_i\}$  a determining cover of  $X_1 \times X_2$  ?

In [20], we gave some related answers to the question (Q3) (containing countable products of weak topologies), and their applications to products of paracompact spaces. For products of weak topologies (determining covers), see [19]. In this paper, let us give some related answers to the questions (Q1) and (Q2) in Section 1 and 2, respectively. Related to (Q3), we also give some results on countable products of spaces having certain determining covers in Section 3, containing additional matters to [20].

We recall some elementary facts which will be used in this paper. For basic matters on weak topologies, see [17] or [18], for example.

*Fact A:* (1) Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a determining cover of  $X$ . Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a cover of  $X$ . If each element of  $\mathcal{C}$  is contained in some element of  $\mathcal{P}$ , then  $\mathcal{P}$  is a determining cover of  $X$ .

(2) Let  $\{P_\alpha : \alpha\}$  be a determining cover of  $X$ . If each  $P_\alpha$  has a determining cover  $\mathcal{P}_\alpha$ , then  $\bigcup\{\mathcal{P}_\alpha : \alpha\}$  is a determining cover of  $X$ .

(3) Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a determining cover of  $X$ . If  $S$  is a closed or open subset of  $X$ , then  $\mathcal{P}|S$  is a determining cover of  $S$ .

(4) For a determining cover  $\mathcal{P}$  of a space  $X^\omega$ ,  $\mathcal{P}_1 \times \mathcal{P}_2 \times \dots$  is a determining cover of  $X^\omega$ , where  $\mathcal{P}_i = P_i(\mathcal{P})$  for the projection  $P_i$  from  $X^\omega$  onto the  $i$ -th coordinate space  $X$ .

A cover  $\mathcal{P}$  of  $X$  is *point-countable* if every  $x \in X$  is in at most countably many  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ . A decreasing sequence  $(A_n)$  of non-empty subsets of  $X$  is a  $q$ -

sequence (resp.  $k$ -sequence) [8], if  $C = \bigcap \{A_n : n \in N\}$  is countably compact (resp. compact) in  $X$ , and each open subset  $U$  with  $C \subset U$  contains some  $A_n$  (equivalently, for any  $x_n \in A_n$ ,  $\{x_n : n \in N\}$  has an accumulation point in  $C$ ).

**Fact B:** (1) Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a point-countable determining cover of  $X$ . Then, for each  $q$ -sequence  $(A_n)$  in  $X$ , some  $A_n$  is contained in a finite union of elements of  $\mathcal{P}$  ([14, Lemma 6]).

(2) Let  $\mathcal{F} = \{X_\alpha : \alpha \leq \gamma\}$  be a dominating cover of  $X$ . For each  $\alpha \leq \gamma$ , let  $L_\alpha = X_\alpha - \bigcup \{X_\beta : \beta < \alpha\}$ . Then  $\{cl L_\alpha : \alpha \leq \gamma\}$  is a determining cover of  $X$  such that, for each  $q$ -sequence  $(A_n)$  in  $X$ , some  $A_n$  meets only finitely many  $L_\alpha$  (cf. [16, Lemma 2.5]).

## 1. Maps

**Example 1.1.** (1) An open map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  with each  $f^{-1}(y)$  at most two points, and  $X$  has a discrete, closed and open cover  $\mathcal{F}$  by compact subsets, but  $f(\mathcal{F})$  is not a CP cover (hence, not a dominating cover).

(2) An open map  $g : X \rightarrow Y$  with each  $g^{-1}(y)$  at most two points, and  $Y$  has a countable determining cover  $\mathcal{F}$  by convergent sequences (or, a dominating cover by compact metric subsets), but  $g^{-1}(\mathcal{F})$  is not a determining cover of  $X$ .

**Theorem 1.2.** (1) Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a quotient map. If  $\mathcal{P}$  is a determining cover of  $X$ , as is well-known,  $f(\mathcal{P})$  is a determining cover of  $Y$ .

(2) Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a closed map. Then the following hold.

(a) If  $\mathcal{F}$  is a dominating cover of  $X$ ,  $f(\mathcal{F})$  is a dominating cover of  $Y$ .

(b) If  $\mathcal{P}$  is a determining (resp. dominating) cover of  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(\mathcal{P})$  is a determining (resp. dominating) cover of  $X$  ([13, Lemma 1.2]).

**Corollary 1.3.** Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a closed map such that each  $f^{-1}(y)$  is compact (resp. countably compact; first countable). Then  $X$  is a  $k$ -space ([1]) (resp. quasi- $k$ -space; sequential space ([13])) if (and only if)  $Y$  is so respectively.

**Corollary 1.4.** Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a map. Then the following hold.

(1) Let  $X$  be a  $k$ -space. If  $\mathcal{P}$  is a determining cover of  $Y$ , then  $f^{-1}(\mathcal{P})$  is a determining cover of  $X$ .

(2) Let  $X$  be a quasi- $k$ -space. If  $\mathcal{F}$  is a dominating (resp. point-countable closed) cover of  $Y$ , then  $f^{-1}(\mathcal{F})$  is a dominating (resp. point-countable closed) cover of  $X$ .

The author doesn't know whether the above (1) remains true under  $X$  being a quasi- $k$ -space. This is affirmative if any countably compact subset of  $Y$  is closed (as  $Y$  is a sequential space, or a space whose points are  $G_\delta$ -sets, for example).

## 2. Subsets

For an open (resp. HCP closed) cover  $\mathcal{P}$  of  $X$ ,  $\mathcal{P}|S$  is a determining (resp. dominating) cover of  $S$  for any  $S \subset X$ . But, we have the following example. Here, the Arens' space  $S_2$  is the space obtained from the disjoint union  $\Sigma\{L_n : n = 0, 1, \dots\}$  of the convergent sequence  $\{1/n : n \in N\} \cup \{0\}$  by identifying each  $1/n \in L_0$  with  $0 \in L_n$  ( $n \geq 1$ ). The quotient space  $S_2/L_0$  is called the *sequential fan* which is denoted by  $S_\omega$ .

*Example 2.1.* The Arens' space  $S_2$  has the obvious increasing and dominating countable cover  $\mathcal{F}$  by compact metric subsets, but for  $S = S_2 - \{1/n \in L_0 : n \in N\}$ ,  $\mathcal{F}|S$  is not a determining cover of  $S$ .

A space is *Fréchet*, if whenever  $a \in clA$ , then there exists a sequence in  $A$  converging to the point  $a$ . We recall that a space  $X$  is a  $k'$ -space [1], if whenever  $a \in clA$ , then there exists a compact subset  $K$  of  $X$  such that  $a \in cl(A \cap K)$ . Let us recall other related spaces due to [8]. A space  $X$  is a *countably bi-quasi- $k$ -space* if, whenever  $x \in clA_n$  with  $A_{n+1} \subset A_n$  ( $n \in N$ ), there exists a  $q$ -sequence  $(B_n)$  such that  $x \in cl(A_n \cap B_n)$  for all  $n \in N$ . If the  $A_n$  are all the same set, then such a space is a *singly bi-quasi- $k$ -space*. Fréchet spaces and locally compact spaces are  $k'$ -spaces.  $k'$ -spaces, and  $M$ -spaces (generally, countably bi-quasi- $k$ -spaces) are singly bi-quasi- $k$ -spaces. Singly bi-quasi- $k$ -spaces are quasi- $k$ -spaces. For properties related to dominating or point-countable determining covers among singly bi- $k$ -spaces (or, singly bi-quasi- $k$ -spaces), see [15] or [21].

**Theorem 2.2.** (1) Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a determining cover of  $X$ . For  $S \subset X$ ,  $\mathcal{P}|S$  is a determining cover of  $S$  if  $S$  has a determining cover by open or closed sets in  $X$ , in particular,  $S$  is a  $k$ -space. When  $\mathcal{P}$  is point-countable and closed, the same result holds if  $S$  is a quasi- $k$ -space.

(2) Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a dominating cover of  $X$ . For  $S \subset X$ ,  $\mathcal{F}|S$  is a dominating cover if  $S$  has a determining cover by open or closed subsets in  $X$ , or  $S$  is a quasi- $k$ -space.

**Corollary 2.3.** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a dominating cover of  $X$  by Fréchet spaces. For  $S \subset X$ , the following are equivalent.

- (a)  $S$  has a dominating cover  $\mathcal{F}|S$ .
- (b)  $S$  has a determining cover  $\mathcal{F}|S$ .

- (c)  $S$  is a quasi- $k$ -space.
- (d)  $S$  is a sequential space.

**Theorem 2.4.** (1) Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a cover of  $X$ . Then the following are equivalent.

- (a) For any  $S \subset X$ ,  $\mathcal{P}|S$  is a determining cover of  $S$ .
  - (b) For any  $A \subset X$  and any  $a \in clA$ , there exists  $P \in \mathcal{P}$  such that  $a \in cl_P(A \cap P)$ .
- (2) Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a closed cover of  $X$ . Then the following are equivalent.
- (a) For any  $S \subset X$ ,  $\mathcal{F}|S$  is a dominating cover of  $S$ .
  - (b) For any  $S \subset X$ ,  $\mathcal{F}|S$  is CP in  $X$ .

**Corollary 2.5.** Let  $X$  be a singly bi-quasi- $k$ -space, and let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a dominating (resp. point-countable determining closed) cover of  $X$ . Then, for any  $S \subset X$ ,  $\mathcal{F}|S$  is a dominating (resp. determining) cover of  $S$ .

**Corollary 2.6.** (1) For a space  $X$ , the following are equivalent.

- (a)  $X$  is Fréchet.
  - (b)  $X$  has a determining cover  $\mathcal{P}$  by compact metric subsets such that for any  $S \subset X$ ,  $\mathcal{P}|S$  is a determining cover of  $S$ .
  - (c)  $X$  is a sequential space, and for any *determining* cover  $\mathcal{P}$  of  $X$  and any  $S \subset X$ ,  $\mathcal{P}|S$  is a determining cover of  $S$ .
- (2) For a space  $X$ , the following are equivalent.
- (a)  $X$  is a  $k'$ -space.
  - (b)  $X$  has a determining cover  $\mathcal{P}$  by compact subsets such that for any  $S \subset X$ ,  $\mathcal{P}|S$  is a determining cover of  $S$ .

**Corollary 2.7.** Let  $X$  be a sequential space. If any subset of  $X$  is a quasi- $k$ -space, then  $X$  is Fréchet (cf. [5]).

**Corollary 2.8.** (1) Let  $X$  have a determining cover  $\mathcal{P}$  by Fréchet spaces. Then the following are equivalent.

- (a)  $X$  is Fréchet.
  - (b) For any  $S \subset X$ ,  $\mathcal{P}|S$  is a determining cover of  $S$ .
- (2) Let  $X$  have a *dominating* (or point-countable determining closed) cover  $\mathcal{F}$  by  $k'$ -spaces. Then the following are equivalent.
- (a)  $X$  is a  $k'$ -space.
  - (b) For any  $S \subset X$ ,  $\mathcal{F}|S$  is a determining cover of  $S$ .

**Remark 2.9.** Not every compact sequential space is Fréchet (the space  $\Psi^*$  in [5, Example 7.1], for example). Thus, in (c)  $\Rightarrow$  (a) of Corollary 2.6(1), we can't replace "*determining*" by "*dominating*". While, under  $X$  being a  $k$ -space, (c) implies  $X$  is a  $k'$ -space, but the converse need not hold even if

$X$  is compact sequential. Also, in (a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b) of Corollary 2.8(2), we can't replace "dominating" by "determining".

*Question 2.10.* (1) Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a determining cover of  $X$ . Let  $S \subset X$ , and  $S$  be a quasi- $k$ -space. Is  $\mathcal{P}|S$  a determining cover of  $S$ ?

(2) Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a dominating cover of  $X$ . For any  $S \subset X$ , let  $\mathcal{F}|S$  be a determining cover of  $S$ . Is  $\mathcal{F}|S$  a dominating cover of  $S$ ?

(3) Let  $X$  be a  $k$ -space. For any determining cover  $\mathcal{P}$  of  $X$ , and any  $S \subset X$ , let  $\mathcal{P}|S$  be a determining cover of  $S$ . Is  $X$  Fréchet?

### 3. Countable products

In this section, we consider countable products of weak topologies, as additional matters to Section 4 in [20]. For finite products of weak topologies in terms of Question 3, see [19] or [20]. First, let us give the following notations.

For a cover  $\mathcal{P}$  of a space, let  $[\mathcal{P}] = \{A : A \text{ is a finite union of elements of } \mathcal{P}\}$ ,  $\mathcal{P}^* = \{P \cup F : P \in \mathcal{P}, F \text{ is finite}\}$ , and let  $\mathcal{P}^\circ = \{\text{int}P : P \in \mathcal{P}\}$ .

*Remark 3.1.* (1) For a space  $X = F_1 + F_2$ ,  $\mathcal{F} = \{F_1, F_2\}$  is a determining cover of  $X$ , but  $\mathcal{F}^\omega (= \mathcal{F} \times \mathcal{F} \times \dots)$  is not a determining cover of  $X^\omega$ .

(2) Let  $X$  be the sequential fan  $S_\omega$  (or the Arens' space  $S_2$ ). Then, for any (countable) determining closed cover  $\mathcal{F}$  by (compact) metric subsets in  $X$ ,  $[\mathcal{F}]^\omega$  is not a determining cover of  $X^\omega$  by means of Theorem 3.2(2) below.

As a generalization of sequential spaces, we recall that a space  $X$  has *countable tightness*,  $t(X) \leq \omega$ , if whenever  $a \in \text{cl}A$ ,  $a \in \text{cl}C$  for some countable  $C \subset A$  (equivalently,  $X$  has a determining cover by countable subsets); see [8]. While, as a generalization of countably bi-quasi- $k$ -spaces, let us consider the following property (P), referring to [6, (3.1)].

(P): For each decreasing sequence  $(A_n)$  in  $X$  with  $\bigcap \{\text{cl}A_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} \neq \emptyset$ , there exists a countably compact set  $K$  of  $X$  with  $K \cap A_n \neq \emptyset$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** (1) Let  $X^\omega$  be a sequential space. Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a determining cover of  $X$ . Then  $\mathcal{P}^{*\omega}$  (hence,  $[\mathcal{P}]^\omega$ ) is a determining cover of  $X^\omega$  ([13]).

(2) Let  $X^\omega$  be a quasi- $k$ -space. Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a dominating or point-countable determining cover of  $X$ . Then the following hold.

(a)  $[\mathcal{P}]^\omega$  is a determining cover of  $X^\omega$ .

(b) If  $t(X) \leq \omega$ , then  $X$  has property (P), hence  $[\mathcal{P}]^{\circ\omega}$  is a determining cover of  $X^\omega$ .

A space  $X$  is a *bi- $k$ -space* [8] if, whenever  $\mathcal{A}$  is a filterbase with  $x \in clA$  for every  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ , there exists a  $k$ -sequence  $(B_n)$  in  $X$  such that  $x \in cl(A \cap B_n)$  for all  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $n \in N$ . Locally compact spaces, first countable spaces, or paracompact  $M$ -spaces are *bi- $k$ -spaces*. *Bi- $k$ -spaces* are  $k$ -spaces which are countably *bi-quasi- $k$* . Every countable product of *bi- $k$ -spaces* is a *bi- $k$ -space* ([8]), hence a  $k$ -space.

**Corollary 3.3.** Let  $X$  be a *bi- $k$ -space*, and let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a determining cover of  $X$ . Then the following hold.

(a)  $[\mathcal{P}]^\omega$  is a determining cover of  $X^\omega$  if  $X$  is sequential, or  $\mathcal{P}$  is a point-countable cover.

(b)  $[\mathcal{P}]^{\circ\omega}$  is a determining cover of  $X^\omega$  if  $\mathcal{P}$  is a dominating cover, a point-countable closed cover, or a point-countable cover with  $t(X) \leq \omega$ .

**Corollary 3.4.** Let  $X$  have a dominating or point-countable determining closed cover  $\mathcal{F}$  by first countable spaces. Then the following properties are equivalent ([20]).

- (a)  $X^\omega$  is a quasi- $k$ -space.
- (b)  $X^\omega$  is a sequential space.
- (c)  $\mathcal{F}^{\ast\omega}$  is a determining cover of  $X^\omega$ .
- (d)  $[\mathcal{F}]^\omega$  (actually,  $[\mathcal{F}]^{\circ\omega}$ ) is a determining cover of  $X^\omega$ .
- (e)  $[\mathcal{F}]^\circ$  is an open cover of  $X$ .
- (f)  $X$  is first countable.

**Corollary 3.5.** Let  $X$  satisfy (a), (b), or (c) below. If  $X^\omega$  is a quasi- $k$ -space, then  $X$  is metric.

(a)  $X$  has a dominating cover by metric spaces.

(b)  $X$  is a paracompact space having a point-countable determining closed cover by metric spaces.

(c)  $X$  has a point-countable determining cover by locally separable, metric spaces.

**Corollary 3.6.** Let  $X$  have a dominating or point-countable determining closed cover  $\mathcal{F}$  by locally compact spaces (resp. *bi- $k$ -spaces*). Then the implications (a)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (b)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (c), and (d)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (e)  $\Rightarrow$  (b) hold. When  $t(X) \leq \omega$ , (a)  $\sim$  (e) are equivalent.

- (a)  $X^\omega$  is a quasi- $k$ -space.
- (b)  $X^\omega$  is a  $k$ -space.
- (c)  $[\mathcal{F}]^\omega$  is a determining cover of  $X^\omega$ .
- (d)  $[\mathcal{F}]^\circ$  is an open cover of  $X$ .
- (e)  $X$  is a locally compact space (resp. *bi- $k$ -space*).



*Remark 3.7.* (CH). “ $t(X) \leq \omega$ ” is essential in Corollary 3.6 (the implication (b)  $\Rightarrow$  (d) or (e)), and so is in Theorem 3.2(2). Actually, under (CH), there exists a space  $X$  having a countable dominating cover  $\mathcal{F}$  by compact subsets, and  $X^\omega$  is a  $k$ -space, but  $X$  is not locally compact ([2]) (hence,  $[\mathcal{F}]^\omega$  is a determining cover of  $X^\omega$ , but  $[\mathcal{F}]^\circ$  is not an open cover of  $X$ , and  $X$  doesn't have property (P)).

Finally, let us give questions on products of weak topologies. First, let us review some related matters.

*Remark 3.8.* (1) Let  $X$  be a sequential space (resp. paracompact space). Then  $X^\omega$  is a sequential space (resp.  $k$ -space) iff  $X$  is a quasi- $k$ -space (see [12] for the finite products).

(2) Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a determining cover of  $X$ . Then (a) and (b) below hold.

(a) Let  $X^2$  be a  $k$ -space. Then  $\mathcal{P}^2$  is a determining cover of  $X^2$  if  $X$  is a sequential space, or each element of  $\mathcal{P}$  is a  $k$ -space (see [19] or [20]), in particular,  $\mathcal{P}$  is a closed cover.

(b) Let  $X^\omega$  be a  $k$ -space. Then  $[\mathcal{P}]^\omega$  is a determining cover of  $X^\omega$  if  $\mathcal{P}$  is a dominating or point-countable cover, or  $X$  is sequential (for example, the elements of  $\mathcal{P}$  are sequential).

In view of Remark 3.8, the author has Question 3.9 below, in particular. For (1),  $X^2 \in [\mathcal{P}]^2$ . Also, the compactness of  $X$  is essential even if  $\mathcal{P}$  is a countable HCP closed cover by separable metric subsets. If (1) is affirmative, then so is the question for  $X$  being a bi- $k$ -space (generally, space with  $X^\omega$  a  $k$ -space). For (2), any  $\mathcal{F}^n$  ( $n \in N$ ) is a determining cover of  $X^n$ . (3) is affirmative if  $X$  is sequential, or  $\mathcal{P}$  is dominating or point-countable. If  $X$  is paracompact, then any  $\mathcal{F}^n$  ( $n \in N$ ) is a determining cover of  $X^n$ .

*Question 3.9.* (1) Let  $X$  be a compact space, and let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a countable determining cover of  $X$ . Is  $\mathcal{P}^2$  a determining cover of  $X^2$  ?

(2) Let  $X$  be a compact space (or space with  $X^\omega$  a  $k$ -space), and let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a determining closed cover of  $X$ . Is  $[\mathcal{F}]^\omega$  a determining cover of  $X^\omega$  ?

(3) Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a determining cover of  $X$  by compact subsets. Let  $X^\omega$  be a quasi- $k$ -space (in particular, let  $X$  be a countably compact space). Is  $[\mathcal{F}]^\omega$  a determining cover of  $X^\omega$  ?

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