

# ON $R$ -STAR-LINDELÖF SPACES

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**Abstract.** Motivated by the recent works of Lj.D.R. Kočinac, we introduce a new type of star-Lindelöfness which is termed as  $R$ -star-Lindelöfness. A topological space  $X$  will be called  $R$ -star-Lindelöf if for every sequence  $\{D_n : n \in \omega\}$  of dense subsets of  $X$  and for every open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $X$  there exist points  $x_n \in D_n$  for each  $n \in \omega$  such that  $St(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U}) = X$ . We took interest in studying the properties of this space because every  $R$ -separable space is  $R$ -star-Lindelöf space but not every  $R$ -star-Lindelöf space is  $R$ -separable.

## 1 Introduction

Scheepers [11] introduced a number of combinatorial properties of a topological space weaker than separability.  $M$ -separability (or selective separability) and  $R$ -separability are two of them which have many interesting properties. The topological properties star-Lindelöfness and star-compactness was introduced by van Dowen [4] in 1991. Recently Kočinac [6,7,8,9] studied a lot of selection properties by combining the concepts of Scheepers and van Dowen and got many interesting results.

For any topological space  $X$ ,  $\tau(X)$  will denote its topology. If  $A \subseteq X$  and  $\mathcal{U}$  is a collection of subsets of  $X$ , then the star of  $A$  with respect to  $\mathcal{U}$  is denoted by  $St(A, \mathcal{U})$  and defined as  $St(A, \mathcal{U}) = \bigcup \{U \in \mathcal{U} : U \cap A \neq \emptyset\}$ . We assume  $St^1(A, \mathcal{U}) = St(A, \mathcal{U})$  and for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  we define  $St^{k+1}(A, \mathcal{U}) = St(St^k(A, \mathcal{U}), \mathcal{U})$  [4]. Any separable space is always a star-Lindelöf space. Bhowmik et. al [3] introduced the notion of selectively star-Lindelöf space or in other word  $M$ -star-Lindelöf space and proved that any  $M$ -separable space is a  $M$ -star Lindelöf space. In this paper we introduce and study a new type of star-Lindelöf spaces, stronger than  $M$ -star-Lindelöfness and weaker than  $R$ -separability.

## 2 Preliminaries

A topological space  $X$  is said to be separable if it has a countable dense subset.

**Definition 2.1.** [4] A topological space  $X$  is said to be star-Lindelöf if for any open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of a space  $X$  there exist a countable subset  $F$  of  $X$  such that  $St(F, \mathcal{U}) = X$ .

Recently the notion of selective separability has received a great attention in [2].

**Definition 2.2.** [11] A topological space  $X$  is said to be selectively separable if for any sequence  $\{D_n : n \in \omega\}$  of dense subsets of  $X$ , there exists a family  $\{F_n : n \in \omega\}$  of finite subsets of  $X$  such that  $F_n \subseteq D_n$  for each  $n \in \omega$  and  $\bigcup_{n \in \omega} F_n$  is dense in  $X$ .

**Definition 2.3.** [11] A topological space  $X$  is said to be  $R$ -separable if for any sequence  $\{D_n : n \in \omega\}$  of dense subsets of  $X$ , there are points  $x_n \in D_n (n \in \omega)$  such that  $\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}$  is dense in  $X$ .

**Definition 2.4.** [1] A topological space  $X$  has countable fan tightness if for any  $x \in X$  and for any sequence  $\{U_n : n \in \omega\}$  of subsets of  $X$  such that  $x \in \bigcap_{n \in \omega} \overline{U_n}$ , we can choose finite subsets  $B_n \subseteq U_n$  such that  $x \in \overline{\bigcup_{n \in \omega} B_n}$ .

**Definition 2.5.** [3] A topological space  $X$  is said to be selectively star-Lindelöf (or  $M$ -star-Lindelöf) if for every sequence  $\{D_n : n \in \omega\}$  of dense subsets of  $X$  and for every open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $X$  there exist a family  $\{F_n : n \in \omega\}$  of finite subsets of  $X$  such that  $F_n \subseteq D_n$  for each  $n \in \omega$  and  $St(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} F_n, \mathcal{U}) = X$ .

For different notions of topology we follow [5] and [13]. In this paper no separation axiom is considered, unless otherwise stated.

### 3 $R$ -Star-Lindelöf Spaces

In this section, we introduce a star version of selective Lindelöfness and study some of its properties.

**Definition 3.1.** A topological space  $X$  is said to be  $R$ -star-Lindelöf if for every sequence  $\{D_n : n \in \omega\}$  of dense subsets of  $X$  and for every open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $X$  there are points  $x_n \in D_n$  for each  $n \in \omega$  such that  $St(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U}) = X$ .

**Definition 3.2.** A subset  $Y$  of a topological space  $X$  is said to be  $R$ -star-Lindelöf with respect to  $X$  if for every sequence  $\{D_n : n \in \omega\}$  of subsets of  $X$  such that  $Y \subseteq \overline{D_n}$  for each  $n \in \omega$  and for every cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $Y$  by sets open in  $X$  there are points  $x_n \in D_n$  for each  $n \in \omega$  such that  $Y \subseteq St(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U})$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** *If  $Y$  is an open subset of  $X$ , then  $Y$  is  $R$ -star-Lindelöf with respect to  $X$  iff  $Y$  is  $R$ -star-Lindelöf subspace of  $X$ .*

**Theorem 3.4.** *A topological space  $X$  is  $R$ -star-Lindelöf if and only if for every sequence  $\{D_n : n \in \omega\}$  of dense subsets of  $X$  and basic open cover  $\mathcal{U}_B$  there are points  $x_n \in D_n$  ( $n \in \omega$ ) such that  $St(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U}_B) = X$ .*

*Proof.* If  $X$  is  $R$ -star-Lindelöf space, then the condition is trivial.

Conversely, let the given condition holds. Let  $\{D_n : n \in \omega\}$  be a sequence of dense subsets of  $X$  and  $\mathcal{U}$  be any open cover of  $X$ . Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be an open base for  $\tau(X)$ . Let  $\mathcal{U}_B = \{B \in \mathcal{B} : B \subseteq U, \text{ for some } U \in \mathcal{U}\}$ . So  $\mathcal{U}_B$  is a basic open cover of  $X$ . Therefore, by the given condition, there are points  $x_n \in D_n$  such that  $St(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U}_B) = X$ , i.e.  $St(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U}) = X$ . Hence the theorem. □

**Theorem 3.5.** *If there exist two open  $R$ -star-Lindelöf subspaces  $A$  and  $B$  of a space  $X$  such that  $A \cup B = X$ , then  $X$  is a  $M$ -star Lindelöf space.*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two open  $R$ -star-Lindelöf subspaces of  $X$  such that  $X = A \cup B$ .

Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be an arbitrary open cover of  $X$  and  $\{D_n : n \in \omega\}$  be any sequence of dense subsets of  $X$ .  $\mathcal{U}^A$  and  $\mathcal{U}^B$  be basic open covers of  $A$  and  $B$  respectively.

Clearly,  $\{(D_n \cap A) : n \in \omega\}$  is a sequence of dense subsets in  $A$  and  $\{(D_n \cap B) : n \in \omega\}$  is a sequence of dense subsets in  $B$ . By  $R$ -star-Lindelöfness of  $A$  and  $B$ , for every  $n \in \omega$ , there are points  $x'_n \in (D_n \cap A)$  and  $x''_n \in (D_n \cap B)$  such that  $St(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x'_n\}, \mathcal{U}^A) = A$  and  $St(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x''_n\}, \mathcal{U}^B) = B$ . Thus, for each  $n \in \omega$ ,  $x'_n \in D_n$  and  $x''_n \in D_n$ , i.e. for each  $n \in \omega$ ,  $F_n = \{x'_n, x''_n\} \subseteq D_n$  and  $St(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} F_n, \mathcal{U}^A \cup \mathcal{U}^B) = A \cup B = X$ .

Let,  $U \in \mathcal{U}$ . Then either  $U \subseteq A$  or  $U \subseteq B$  or  $U \cap A \neq \emptyset \neq U \cap B$ . If  $U \subseteq A$ , then  $U$  can be expressed as the union of some members of  $\mathcal{U}^A$ . If  $U \subseteq B$ , then  $U$  can be expressed as the union of some members of  $\mathcal{U}^B$ .

Let,  $U \not\subseteq A, U \not\subseteq B$  and  $U \subseteq A \cup B$ .

Then,  $U \cap A$  can be expressed as the union of some members of  $\mathcal{U}^A$  and  $U \cap B$  can be expressed as the union of some members of  $\mathcal{U}^B$ . Thus  $U = U \cap X = U \cap (A \cup B) = (U \cap A) \cup (U \cap B)$  can be expressed as the union of some members of  $(\mathcal{U}^A \cup \mathcal{U}^B)$ .

Therefore, every element of  $\mathcal{U}$  contains some members of  $(\mathcal{U}^A \cup \mathcal{U}^B)$ .

Therefore,  $St(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} F_n, \mathcal{U}) = X$ .

Hence the theorem. □

**Corollary 3.6.** *If there exist finite number of open  $R$ -star-Lindelöf subspaces  $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_k$ , such that  $\bigcup_{i=1}^k A_k = X$ , then  $X$  is an  $M$ -star-Lindelöf space.*

**Theorem 3.7.** *Every clopen subspace of a  $R$ -star-Lindelöf space is a  $R$ -star-Lindelöf space.*

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be a  $R$ -star-Lindelöf space and  $Y$  be a clopen subspace of  $X$ . Let  $\{D_n : n \in \omega\}$  be a sequence of dense subsets of  $Y$  and  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open cover of  $Y$  in the subspace  $Y$ . Now  $\{D_n \cup (X - Y) : n \in \omega\}$  is a sequence of dense subsets in  $X$  and  $\mathcal{U} \cup \{X - Y\}$  is an open cover of  $X$ . By  $R$ -star-Lindelöfness of  $X$  there are points  $x_n \in D_n \cup \{X - Y\} (n \in \omega)$  such that  $St(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U} \cup \{X - Y\}) = X$ .

Now, we choose those  $x_n$  which belongs to  $D_n$  for each  $n \in \omega$ . Then  $St(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U}) = Y$ , i.e.  $Y$  is a  $R$ -star-Lindelöf space. □

**Theorem 3.8.** *Every Lindelöf space is a  $R$ -star-Lindelöf space.*

*Proof.* Let,  $X$  be a Lindelöf space.  $\{D_n : n \in \omega\}$  be a sequence of dense subsets of  $X$  and  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  be an open cover of  $X$ . So, there exists a countable subcover  $\mathcal{U}' = \{U_n : n \in \omega\}$  of  $\mathcal{U}$ . Without loss of generality we can suppose each  $U_n$  is non-empty. For each  $n \in \omega$ , we choose a  $x_n \in D_n \cap U_n$ .

$\therefore, St(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U}') = X$  i.e.,  $St(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U}) = X$ .

Hence  $X$  is  $R$ -star-Lindelöf space. □

**Corollary 3.9.** *Every  $\sigma$ -compact space is a  $R$ -star-Lindelöf space.*

**Corollary 3.10.** *Every compact space is a  $R$ -star-Lindelöf space.*

**Theorem 3.11.** *Every  $R$ -separable space is a  $R$ -star-Lindelöf space.*

*Proof.* Let  $\{D_n : n \in \omega\}$  be a sequence of dense subsets of  $X$  and  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open cover of  $X$ . Since  $X$  is  $R$ -separable, there are points  $x_n \in D_n (n \in \omega)$  such that  $\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}$  is dense in  $X$ . Hence  $St(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U}) = X$ , i.e.  $X$  is  $R$ -star-Lindelöf. □

**Example 3.12.** The converse of Theorem 3.11 may not be true.

Let  $|X| \geq \omega_1$  and  $X$  is equipped with the co-countable topology. Then  $X$  has no countable dense subset, hence it can not be  $R$ -separable.

Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open cover of  $X$  and  $\{D_n : n \in \omega\}$  a sequence of dense subsets of  $X$ . First we take  $U_0 \in \mathcal{U}$ . Clearly  $U_0$  is of the form  $U_0 = X \setminus C$ , where  $C = \{y_i : i \in \omega\}$  is a countable subset of  $X$ . Now,  $U_0 \cap D_0 \neq \emptyset$ . We select  $x_0 \in U_0 \cap D_0$ .

Since  $\mathcal{U}$  is an open cover of  $X$ , there exists  $V_n \in \mathcal{U}$  such that  $y_n \in V_n \in \mathcal{U}$  for each  $n \in \omega$ . Since each  $D_n$  is dense in  $X$  we have  $V_n \cap D_{n+1} \neq \emptyset$  for each  $n \in \omega$ . We select  $x'_n \in V_n \cap D_{n+1}$  for each  $n \in \omega$ . i.e.  $x'_n \in D_{n+1}$  for each  $n \in \omega$ .

Therefore,  $U_0 \subseteq St(x_0, \mathcal{U})$ ,

$y_0 \in V_0 \subseteq St(x'_0, \mathcal{U})$ ,

$y_1 \in V_1 \subseteq St(x'_1, \mathcal{U})$ ,

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$y_n \in V_n \subseteq St(x'_n, \mathcal{U})$ ,

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$\therefore U_0 \cup \{y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_n, \dots\} \subseteq U_0 \cup V_0 \cup V_1 \cup \dots \cup V_n \cup \subseteq St(\{x_0, x'_0, x'_1, \dots, x'_n, \dots\}, \mathcal{U})$ .  
 i.e.  $X = St(\{x_0, x'_0, x'_1, \dots, x'_n, \dots\}, \mathcal{U})$ .  
 $\therefore X$  is  $R$ -star-Lindelöf space.

**Theorem 3.13.** *Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an open continuous surjection. If  $X$  is a  $\mathbb{R}$ -star-Lindelöf space, then so is also  $Y$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\{E_n : n \in \omega\}$  be a sequence of dense subsets of  $Y$  and let  $\mathcal{V}$  be an open cover of  $Y$ . Then  $\{D_n = f^{-1}(E_n) : n \in \omega\}$  is a sequence of dense subsets of  $X$  and  $\mathcal{U} = \{f^{-1}(V) : V \in \mathcal{V}\}$  is an open cover of  $X$ . Now by the property of  $R$ -star-Lindelöfness of  $X$  there are points  $x_n \in D_n$ , ( $n \in \omega$ ) such that  $St(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U}) = X$ .

Let  $y_n = f(x_n)$ ,  $n \in \omega$ . Clearly,  $y_n \in E_n$  for each  $n \in \omega$ .

Let  $y \in Y$ . So there exists  $x \in X$  such that  $f(x) = y$ . Also there exists an  $n \in \omega$  such that  $x \in St(\{x_n\}, \mathcal{U})$ , i.e. there exists  $U = f^{-1}(V)$  for some  $V \in \mathcal{V}$  such that  $x \in U$  and  $\{x_n\} \cap U \neq \phi$ ,  $\therefore x_n \in U$ .

Thus,  $y \in V$  and  $y_n \in V$ , i.e.,  $y \in St(\{y_n\}, \mathcal{V})$ .

Then,  $St(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{y_n\}, \mathcal{V}) = Y$ .

Hence  $Y$  is  $R$ -star-Lindelöf. □

**Theorem 3.14.** *Every  $R$ -star Lindelöf space is a selectively star-Lindelöf space.*

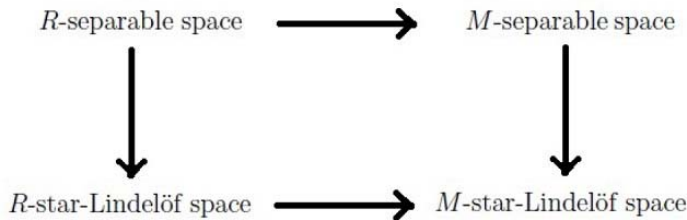
**Remark 3.15.** Every  $R$ -separable space is  $M$ -separable. Soukup et. al [12] have shown that the space  $Fn(\omega, \omega; \omega)$  of all finite partial functions from  $\omega$  to  $\omega$  is a countable  $M$ -separable non- $R$ -separable space.

Bhowmik et. al [3] had shown that every  $M$ -separable space is  $M$ -star-Lindelöf space and there exists a space (the Tychonoff cube  $\mathbb{I}^c$ ) which is  $M$ -star-Lindelöf but not  $M$ -separable.

In this paper, we have shown that every  $R$ -separable space is  $R$ -star-Lindelöf but not every  $R$ -star-Lindelöf space is  $R$ -separable.

Also every  $R$ -star-Lindelöf space is selectively star-Lindelöf space.

Thus we have,



**Figure 1.** Relation chart

**Problem 3.16.** Does there exists a space which is  $M$ -star-Lindelöf but not  $\mathbb{R}$ -star-Lindelöf?

## 4 $R$ - $k$ -Star-Lindelöf Space

In this section we assume that  $\mathbb{N} = \omega \setminus \{0\}$ . Here we study the iterative star version of  $R$ -star-Lindelöf spaces.

**Definition 4.1.** For each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , a topological space  $X$  is said to be  $R$ - $k$ -star-Lindelöf if for every sequence  $\{D_n : n \in \omega\}$  of dense subsets of  $X$  and for every open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $X$  there are points  $x_n \in D_n$  such that  $\text{St}^k(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U}) = X$ .

**Theorem 4.2.** Every  $R$ - $k$ -star-Lindelöf space is a  $R$ - $(k+1)$ -star-Lindelöf space.

*Proof.* Directly follows from the definition, hence omitted.  $\square$

We recall the definition of star-separability. Given a class (or a property)  $\mathcal{P}$  of topological spaces. We say that a space  $X$  is star- $\mathcal{P}$  if, for any open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of the space  $X$ , there is a subspace  $Y \subseteq X$  such that  $Y \in \mathcal{P}$  and  $\text{St}(Y, \mathcal{U}) = X$  [10]. So, a topological space  $X$  is said to be star-separable, if for every open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $X$ , there exists a separable subspace  $Y$  of  $X$  such that  $\text{St}(Y, \mathcal{U}) = X$ .

**Theorem 4.3.** If  $X$  is star-separable, then  $X$  is  $R$ -2-star-Lindelöf.

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open cover of  $X$  and  $\{D_n : n \in \omega\}$  be a sequence of dense subsets of  $X$ . Since  $X$  is star-separable, there exists a separable subspace  $Y$  of  $X$  such that  $\text{St}(Y, \mathcal{U}) = X$ . Now there exists a countable subset  $B = \{x_n : n \in \omega\}$  of  $Y$  such that  $\overline{B}^{\tau(Y)} = Y$ , hence  $Y \subseteq \overline{B}^{\tau(Y)} \subseteq \overline{B}^{\tau(X)} = \overline{B}$ . Now for each  $n$  there exists  $U_n \in \mathcal{U}$  such that  $U_n \cap D_n \neq \emptyset$ . We take  $x_n \in U_n \cap D_n$ .

Let  $x \in X$ . Since  $\text{St}(Y, \mathcal{U}) = X$ , there exists  $U \in \mathcal{U}$  such that  $x \in U$  and  $U \cap Y \neq \emptyset$ , and so  $U \cap Y \cap B \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $k \in \omega$  be such that  $x_k \in U \cap Y \cap B$ . Then  $U \cap U_k \neq \emptyset$ , hence  $U \cap \text{St}(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U}) \neq \emptyset$  and so  $x \in \text{St}^2(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U})$ . Therefore  $\text{St}^2(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U}) = X$  and thus  $X$  is  $R$ -2-star-Lindelöf.  $\square$

**Corollary 4.4.** A separable space is a  $R$ -2-star-Lindelöf space.

**Theorem 4.5.** If  $X$  is a  $R$ -star-Lindelöf space and  $Y$  is a compact space, then  $X \times Y$  is a  $R$ -2-star-Lindelöf space.

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open cover of  $X \times Y$  by basic open sets of  $X \times Y$ .

Now by Remark 1.4 of [1], for each  $x \in X$  there exists a open neighborhood  $W_x$  of  $x$  in  $X$  such that  $W_x \times Y$  is covered by finite number of elements of  $\mathcal{U}$ , say  $W_x \times Y \subseteq \bigcup_{1 \leq k \leq n_x} \{U_k(x) \times V_k(x) : 1 \leq k \leq n_x\}$ , where  $W_x \subseteq \bigcap_{1 \leq k \leq n_x} U_k(x)$ .

Now,  $\mathcal{U}_X = \{W_x : x \in X\}$  is an open cover of  $X$ . Let  $\{D_n : n \in \omega\}$  be a sequence of dense subsets of  $X \times Y$ ,  $\pi_X : X \times Y \rightarrow X$  be the natural projection from  $X \times Y$  to  $X$ . Then  $\{\pi_X(D_n) : n \in \omega\}$  is a sequence of dense subsets of  $X$ . By the  $R$ -star-Lindelöfness there are points  $x_n \in \pi_X(D_n)$  for each  $n \in \omega$  and  $\text{St}(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U}_X) = X$ .

For each  $x_n$ , we choose  $(x^k, y^k) \in D_n \cap (U_k(x) \times V_k(x))$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq n_x$ .

Let,  $(x, y) \in X \times Y$ .

So, there exists  $W_{x_0}$  such that  $x \in W_{x_0}$  and  $W_{x_0} \cap (\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}) \neq \emptyset$ .

Let,  $x_p \in W_{x_0} \cap (\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\})$ , for some  $p \in \omega$ .

So, there exists,  $(x^{k'}, y^{k'}) \in D_n \cap (U_{k'}(x_p) \times V_{k'}(x_p))$ ,  $1 \leq k' \leq n_x$ .

$\Rightarrow (x^{k'}, y^{k'}) \in (U_{k'}(x_p) \times V_{k'}(x_p))$ ,  $1 \leq k' \leq n_x$

$\Rightarrow W_{x_p} \times Y \subseteq \text{St}(\bigcup_{k \in \omega} \{(x^k, y^k)\}, \bigcup_{k=1}^{n_x} (U_k(x_p) \times V_k(x_p))) \subseteq \text{St}(\bigcup_{k \in \omega} \{(x^k, y^k)\}, \mathcal{U})$ .

Also,  $W_{x_0} \times Y \cap W_{x_p} \times Y \neq \emptyset$ ,

$\therefore W_{x_0} \times Y \subseteq \text{St}^2(\bigcup_{k \in \omega} \{(x^k, y^k)\}, \mathcal{U})$

$\Rightarrow (x, y) \in \text{St}^2(\bigcup_{k \in \omega} \{(x^k, y^k)\}, \mathcal{U})$

So,  $X \times Y = \text{St}^2(\bigcup_{k \in \omega} \{(x^k, y^k)\}, \mathcal{U})$ .

Hence the theorem.  $\square$

Applying Theorem 4.5, by mathematical induction we get the following corollary :

**Corollary 4.6.** *If  $X$  is a  $R$ -star-Lindelöf space and  $Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n$  are compact spaces, then  $X \times Y_1 \times Y_2 \times \dots \times Y_n$  is a  $R$ -( $n + 1$ )-star-Lindelöf space.*

**Theorem 4.7.** *If  $X$  is star-Lindelöf and has the property that for any  $x \in X$ , for any sequence  $\{U_n : n \in \omega\}$  of subsets of  $X$  such that  $x \in \bigcap_{n \in \omega} \overline{U_n}$  and for any open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $X$  we can choose points  $x_n \in U_n$  with  $x \in \text{St}(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U})$ , then  $X$  is  $R$ -2-star-Lindelöf.*

*Proof.* Let  $\{D_n : n \in \omega\}$  be a sequence of dense subsets of  $X$  and  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open cover of  $X$ . Since  $X$  is star-Lindelöf, there exists a countable subset  $F = \{x_n : n \in \omega\}$  of  $X$  such that  $\text{St}(F, \mathcal{U}) = X$ .

Let  $L = \{L_n : n \in \omega\}$  be a sequence of disjoint infinite subsets of  $\omega$ , such that  $\omega = \bigcup_{n \in \omega} L_n$ .

Now  $x_n \in \bigcap \{\overline{D_k} : k \in L_n\}$ . So there are points  $x_k \in D_k$  for each  $k \in L_n$  such that  $x_n \in \text{St}(\bigcup_{k \in L_n} \{x_k\}, \mathcal{U})$ ,  $n \in \omega$ .

Hence we have points  $x_n \in D_n$  for each  $n \in \omega$ .

Let  $x \in X$ . There exists  $U \in \mathcal{U}$  such that  $x \in U$ . Since  $F \cap U \neq \emptyset$ , there exists  $x_n \in U$  for some  $n \in \omega$ . Since  $x_n \in \text{St}(x_k, \mathcal{U})$  for some  $k \in L_n$ , we can choose  $V \in \mathcal{U}$  such that  $x_n \in V$  and  $x_k \in V$ . Then  $V \subseteq \text{St}(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U})$  and  $U \cap V \neq \emptyset$ , so  $\text{St}(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U}) \cap U \neq \emptyset$ , therefore  $x \in \text{St}^2(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U})$ , i.e.  $\text{St}^2(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U}) = X$ . Hence  $X$  is  $R$ -2-star-Lindelöf.  $\square$

**Definition 4.8.** Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . A subset  $Y$  of topological space  $X$  is said to be  $R$ - $k$ -star-Lindelöf with respect to  $X$  (or  $Y$  is a  $R$ - $k$ -star-Lindelöf subset of  $X$ ) if for every sequence  $\{D_n : n \in \omega\}$  of subsets of  $X$  such that  $Y \subseteq \overline{D_n}$  for each  $n \in \omega$  and for every open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $Y$  by the open sets in  $X$  there are  $x_n \in D_n$  for each  $n \in \omega$  such that  $Y \subseteq \text{St}^k(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U})$ .

**Theorem 4.9.** *If  $A$  is a  $R$ - $k$ -star-Lindelöf subset of a topological space  $X$ , then  $A$  is also a  $R$ -( $k + 1$ )-star-Lindelöf subset of  $X$ .*

**Theorem 4.10.** *If  $A$  is a  $R$ -star-Lindelöf subset of a topological space  $X$  and  $A \subseteq B \subseteq \overline{A}$ , then  $B$  is a  $R$ -2-star-Lindelöf subset of  $X$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\{D_n : n \in \omega\}$  be a sequence of subsets of  $X$  such that  $B \subseteq \overline{D_n}$  for each  $n \in \omega$ , so  $A \subseteq \overline{D_n}$  for each  $n \in \omega$ . Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open cover of  $B$ , so also an open cover of  $A$ . Then there are points  $x_n \in D_n$  for each  $n \in \omega$  such that  $A \subseteq \text{St}(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U})$ .

Now let  $x \in B$ . So  $x \in \overline{A}$  so that there exists a  $U \in \mathcal{U}$  such that  $x \in U$ . Let  $y \in U \cap A$ . Then there exists  $V \in \mathcal{U}$  and  $n \in \omega$  with  $y \in V$  and  $x_n \in V$ . So  $U \cap V \neq \emptyset$ , thus  $U \cap \text{St}(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U}) \neq \emptyset$ . Therefore,  $x \in \text{St}^2(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U})$ . So  $B \subseteq \text{St}^2(\bigcup_{n \in \omega} \{x_n\}, \mathcal{U})$ , i.e.  $B$  is  $R$ -2-star-Lindelöf subset.  $\square$

**Corollary 4.11.** *If a topological space  $X$  has a  $R$ -star-Lindelöf dense subset, then  $X$  is  $R$ -2-star-Lindelöf.*

**Problem 4.12.** If  $A$  and  $B$  are  $R$ -star-Lindelöf subspaces of a topological space  $X$  such that  $X = A \cup B$ , is  $X$  a  $R$ -2-star-Lindelöf space?

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