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*Abstract.* We study the relation between a space  $X$  satisfying certain generalized metric properties and its  $n$ -fold symmetric product  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$  satisfying the same properties. We prove that  $X$  has a  $\sigma$ -( $P$ )-property  $cn$ -network if and only if so does  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ . Moreover, if  $X$  is regular then  $X$  has a  $\sigma$ -( $P$ )-property  $ck$ -network if and only if so does  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ . By these results, we obtain that  $X$  is strict  $\sigma$ -space (strict  $\aleph$ -space) if and only if so is  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ .

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### 1. Introduction and preliminaries

In 1931, K. Borsuk and S. Ulam introduced the notion of a symmetric product of an arbitrary topological space, see [1]. Moreover, they also show that the  $n$ -fold symmetric product  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$  can be obtained as a quotient space of Cartesian product  $X^n$ . Recently, C. Good and S. Macías in [3], L.-X. Peng and Y. Sun in [4], Z. Tang, S. Lin and F. Lin in [5], studied the symmetric products of generalized metric spaces. They considered several generalized metric properties and studied the relation between a space  $X$  satisfying such property and its  $n$ -fold symmetric product satisfying the same property.

In this paper, we also study the relation between a space  $X$  satisfying certain generalized metric properties and its  $n$ -fold symmetric product satisfying the same properties. We prove that  $X$  has a  $\sigma$ -( $P$ )-property  $cn$ -network if and only if so does  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ . Moreover, if  $X$  is regular then  $X$  has a  $\sigma$ -( $P$ )-property  $ck$ -network if and only if so does  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ . By these results, we obtain that  $X$  is strict  $\sigma$ -space (strict  $\aleph$ -space) if and only if so is  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ .

Throughout this paper, all spaces are Hausdorff,  $\mathbb{N}$  denotes the set of all positive integers.

Given a space  $X$ , we define its *hyperspaces* as the following sets:

- (1)  $CL(X) = \{A \subset X : A \text{ is closed and nonempty}\}$ ;

- (2)  $2^X = \{A \in CL(X) : A \text{ is compact}\}$ ;
- (3)  $\mathcal{F}_n(X) = \{A \in 2^X : A \text{ has at most } n \text{ points}\}$ , where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Set  $CL(X)$  is topologized by the *Vietoris topology* defined as the topology generated by

$$\mathcal{B} = \{\langle U_1, \dots, U_k \rangle : U_1, \dots, U_k \text{ are open subsets of } X, k \in \mathbb{N}\},$$

where

$$\langle U_1, \dots, U_k \rangle = \left\{ A \in CL(X) : A \subset \bigcup_{i \leq k} U_i, A \cap U_i \neq \emptyset \text{ for each } i \leq k \right\}.$$

Note that, by definition,  $2^X$  and  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$  are subspaces of  $CL(X)$ . Hence, they are topologized with the appropriate restriction of the Vietoris topology. Moreover,

- (1) space  $CL(X)$  is called the *hyperspace of nonempty closed subsets of  $X$* ;
- (2) space  $2^X$  is called the *hyperspace of nonempty compact subsets of  $X$* ;
- (3) space  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$  is called the  *$n$ -fold symmetric product of  $X$* .

On the other hand, it is obvious that  $\mathcal{F}_n(X) \subset \mathcal{F}_{n+1}(X)$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Remark 1.1** ([3], Remark 2.1). Let  $X$  be a space and let  $n \geq 2$ . Note that  $\mathcal{F}_1(X)$  is closed in  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$  and  $\xi : \mathcal{F}_1(X) \rightarrow X$  given by  $\xi(\{x\}) = x$  is a homeomorphism.

**Notation 1.2** ([3], Notation 2.2). Let  $X$  be a space and let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . To simplify notation, if  $U_1, \dots, U_s$  are open subsets of  $X$  then  $\langle U_1, \dots, U_s \rangle_n$  denotes the intersection of the open set  $\langle U_1, \dots, U_s \rangle$  of the Vietoris topology, with  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ .

**Notation 1.3** ([3], Notation 2.3). Let  $X$  be a space and let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $\{x_1, \dots, x_r\}$  is a point of  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$  and  $\{x_1, \dots, x_r\} \in \langle U_1, \dots, U_s \rangle_n$ , then for each  $j \in \{1, \dots, r\}$ , we let  $U_{x_j} = \bigcap \{U \in \{U_1, \dots, U_s\} : x_j \in U\}$ . Observe that  $\langle U_{x_1}, \dots, U_{x_r} \rangle_n \subset \langle U_1, \dots, U_s \rangle_n$ .

**Lemma 1.4** ([4], Lemma 21). *Let  $X$  be a space and let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $\mathcal{C}$  is a compact subset of  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ , then  $\bigcup \mathcal{C}$  is a compact subset of  $X$ .*

**Definition 1.5.** Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a family of subsets of a space  $X$ . Then:

- (1) Family  $\mathcal{P}$  is *point-finite*, if each point  $x \in X$  belongs only to finitely many members of  $\mathcal{P}$ .
- (2) Family  $\mathcal{P}$  is *point-countable*, if each point  $x \in X$  belongs only to countably many members of  $\mathcal{P}$ .
- (3) Family  $\mathcal{P}$  is *compact-finite*, if for each compact subset  $K \subset X$ , the set  $\{P \in \mathcal{P} : P \cap K \neq \emptyset\}$  is finite.
- (4) Family  $\mathcal{P}$  is *compact-countable*, if for each compact subset  $K \subset X$ , the set  $\{P \in \mathcal{P} : P \cap K \neq \emptyset\}$  is countable.
- (5) Family  $\mathcal{P}$  is *locally finite*, if for each  $x \in X$ , there exists a neighborhood  $V$  of  $x$  such that  $V$  meets only finitely many members of  $\mathcal{P}$ .

- (6) Family  $\mathcal{P}$  is *locally countable*, if for each  $x \in X$ , there exists a neighborhood  $V$  of  $x$  such that  $V$  meets only countably many members of  $\mathcal{P}$ .

**Definition 1.6.** For a cover  $\mathcal{P}$  of a space  $X$ , let  $(P)$  be one of the following properties: point-finite, compact-finite, locally finite, point-countable, compact-countable, and locally countable. We said that  $\mathcal{P}$  has  $\sigma$ - $(P)$ -*property*, if  $\mathcal{P}$  can be expressed as  $\bigcup\{\mathcal{P}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ , where each  $\mathcal{P}_n$  has  $(P)$ -property, and  $\mathcal{P}_n \subset \mathcal{P}_{n+1}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Definition 1.7** ([2]). Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a family of subsets of a space  $X$ . Then,

- (1) Family  $\mathcal{P}$  is a *network at*  $x \in X$ , if for each neighborhood  $O_x$  of  $x$  there is a set  $P \in \mathcal{P}$  such that  $x \in P \subset O_x$ ;  $\mathcal{P}$  is a *network* in  $X$  if  $\mathcal{P}$  is a network at each point  $x \in X$ .
- (2) Family  $\mathcal{P}$  is a *cn-network at*  $x \in X$ , if for each neighborhood  $O_x$  of  $x$ , the set  $\bigcup\{P \in \mathcal{P} : x \in P \subset O_x\}$  is a neighborhood of  $x$ ;  $\mathcal{P}$  is a *cn-network* in  $X$  if  $\mathcal{P}$  is a *cn-network* at each point  $x \in X$ .
- (3) Family  $\mathcal{P}$  is a *ck-network at*  $x \in X$ , if for any neighborhood  $O_x$  of  $x$ , there is a neighborhood  $U_x \subset O_x$  of  $x$  such that for each compact subset  $K \subset U_x$ , there exists a finite subfamily  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{P}$  satisfying  $x \in \bigcap \mathcal{F}$  and  $K \subset \bigcup \mathcal{F} \subset O_x$ ;  $\mathcal{P}$  is a *ck-network* in  $X$  if  $\mathcal{P}$  is a *ck-network* at each point  $x \in X$ .

**Remark 1.8** ([2]). Base (at  $x$ )  $\implies$  *ck-network* (at  $x$ )  $\implies$  *cn-network* (at  $x$ )  $\implies$  network (at  $x$ ).

**Definition 1.9** ([2]). Let  $X$  be a topological space. Then:

- (1) Space  $X$  is called a *strict  $\sigma$ -space*, if  $X$  has a  $\sigma$ -locally finite *cn-network*.
- (2) Space  $X$  is called a *strict  $\aleph$ -space*, if  $X$  has a  $\sigma$ -locally finite *ck-network*.

## 2. Main results

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\mathcal{P}$  be a family of subsets of a space  $X$ . If we put

$$\mathfrak{P} = \{\langle P_1, \dots, P_s \rangle_n : P_1, \dots, P_s \in \mathcal{P}, s \leq n\},$$

then observe that  $\mathfrak{P}$  is a family of subsets of  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ .

**Lemma 2.1.** Let  $\langle U_1, \dots, U_s \rangle, \langle V_1, \dots, V_r \rangle \subset CL(X)$ . If there exists  $i_0 \leq s$  such that  $U_{i_0} \cap (\bigcup_{j \leq r} V_j) = \emptyset$ , then  $\langle U_1, \dots, U_s \rangle \cap \langle V_1, \dots, V_r \rangle = \emptyset$ .

PROOF: Assume that there exists  $i_0 \leq s$  such that  $U_{i_0} \cap (\bigcup_{j \leq r} V_j) = \emptyset$ . Then, we have  $\langle U_1, \dots, U_s \rangle \cap \langle V_1, \dots, V_r \rangle = \emptyset$ . Otherwise, there exists  $F \in \langle U_1, \dots, U_s \rangle \cap \langle V_1, \dots, V_r \rangle$ . Hence,  $F \cap U_{i_0} \neq \emptyset$ , it implies that there exists  $x_0 \in F \cap U_{i_0}$ . Since  $U_{i_0} \cap (\bigcup_{j \leq r} V_j) = \emptyset$ ,  $x_0 \notin \bigcup_{j \leq r} V_j$ . Thus,  $F \not\subset \bigcup_{j \leq r} V_j$ , this is a contradiction.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.2.** *If  $\mathcal{P}$  has  $(P)$ -property then so does  $\mathfrak{P}$ .*

PROOF: *Case 1.*  $(P)$  is point-finite. Let  $F = \{x_1, \dots, x_r\} \in \mathcal{F}_n(X)$ . For each  $j \leq r$ , since  $\mathcal{P}$  is point-finite in  $X$ ,  $\mathcal{P}_j = \{P \in \mathcal{P} : x_j \in P\}$  is finite. If we put  $\mathcal{P}_0 = \bigcup_{j \leq r} \mathcal{P}_j$ , then  $\mathcal{P}_0$  is finite. Moreover, we have

$$\{\mathcal{W} \in \mathfrak{P} : F \in \mathcal{W}\} \subset \{\langle P_1, \dots, P_s \rangle_n : P_1, \dots, P_s \in \mathcal{P}_0, s \leq n\}.$$

In fact, let  $k \leq n$  and  $\langle E_1, \dots, E_k \rangle_n \notin \{\langle P_1, \dots, P_s \rangle_n : P_1, \dots, P_s \in \mathcal{P}_0, s \leq n\}$ . Then, there exists  $i_0 \leq k$  such that  $E_{i_0} \notin \mathcal{P}_0$ . It implies that  $x_j \notin E_{i_0}$  for every  $j \leq r$ . Thus,  $F \notin \langle E_1, \dots, E_k \rangle_n$ . Hence,  $\langle E_1, \dots, E_k \rangle_n \notin \{\mathcal{W} \in \mathfrak{P} : F \in \mathcal{W}\}$ .

Because  $\mathcal{P}_0$  is finite,  $\{\mathcal{W} \in \mathfrak{P} : F \in \mathcal{W}\}$  is finite. Thus,  $\mathfrak{P}$  is point-finite in  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ .

*Case 2.*  $(P)$  is point-countable. Similar to the proof of Case 1.

*Case 3.*  $(P)$  is compact-finite. Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a compact subset of  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ . It follows from Lemma 1.4 that  $A = \bigcup \mathcal{A}$  is a compact subset of  $X$ . Moreover, since  $\mathcal{A} \subset \langle A \rangle_n$ , we have

$$\{\mathcal{W} \in \mathfrak{P} : \mathcal{W} \cap \mathcal{A} \neq \emptyset\} \subset \{\mathcal{W} \in \mathfrak{P} : \mathcal{W} \cap \langle A \rangle_n \neq \emptyset\}.$$

Since  $\mathcal{P}$  is compact-finite in  $X$ ,  $\mathcal{P}_0 = \{P \in \mathcal{P} : P \cap A \neq \emptyset\}$  is finite. On the other hand, we have

$$\{\mathcal{W} \in \mathfrak{P} : \mathcal{W} \cap \langle A \rangle_n \neq \emptyset\} \subset \{\langle P_1, \dots, P_s \rangle_n : P_1, \dots, P_s \in \mathcal{P}_0, s \leq n\}.$$

In fact, let  $k \leq n$  and  $\langle E_1, \dots, E_k \rangle_n \notin \{\langle P_1, \dots, P_s \rangle_n : P_1, \dots, P_s \in \mathcal{P}_0, s \leq n\}$ . Then, there exists  $i_0 \leq k$  such that  $E_{i_0} \notin \mathcal{P}_0$ . This implies that  $E_{i_0} \cap A = \emptyset$ . By Lemma 2.1,  $\langle E_1, \dots, E_k \rangle_n \cap \langle A \rangle_n = \emptyset$ . Thus,  $\langle E_1, \dots, E_k \rangle_n \notin \{\mathcal{W} \in \mathfrak{P} : \mathcal{W} \cap \langle A \rangle_n \neq \emptyset\}$ .

Since  $\mathcal{P}_0$  is finite,  $\{\mathcal{W} \in \mathfrak{P} : \mathcal{W} \cap \mathcal{A} \neq \emptyset\}$  is finite. Therefore,  $\mathfrak{P}$  is compact-finite in  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ .

*Case 4.*  $(P)$  is compact-countable. Similar to the proof of Case 3.

*Case 5.*  $(P)$  is locally finite. Let  $F = \{x_1, \dots, x_r\} \in \mathcal{F}_n(X)$ . For each  $i \leq r$ , since  $\mathcal{P}$  is locally finite in  $X$ , there exists an open neighborhood  $W_i$  of  $x_i$  intersecting only finitely many elements of  $\mathcal{P}$ . If we put

$$V_i = W_i \setminus \{x_j : j \leq r, j \neq i\},$$

then  $V_i$  is open in  $X$  for every  $i \leq r$ , and  $\langle V_1, \dots, V_r \rangle_n$  is an open neighborhood of  $F$  in  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ . On the other hand,  $\langle V_1, \dots, V_r \rangle_n$  intersects only finitely many elements of  $\mathfrak{P}$ . In fact, for each  $i \leq r$ , since  $\mathcal{P}$  is locally finite in  $X$ ,  $\mathcal{P}_i = \{P \in \mathcal{P} : P \cap V_i \neq \emptyset\}$  is finite. If we put  $\mathcal{P}_0 = \bigcup_{i \leq r} \mathcal{P}_i$ , then  $\mathcal{P}_0$  is finite. Now, let  $k \leq n$  and  $\langle E_1, \dots, E_k \rangle_n \notin \{\langle P_1, \dots, P_s \rangle_n : P_1, \dots, P_s \in \mathcal{P}_0, s \leq n\}$ .

Then, there exists  $i_0 \leq k$  such that  $E_{i_0} \notin \mathcal{P}_0$ . Thus,  $E_{i_0} \cap V_i = \emptyset$  for every  $i \leq r$ . By Lemma 2.1,  $\langle E_1, \dots, E_k \rangle_n \cap \langle V_1, \dots, V_r \rangle_n = \emptyset$ . Hence,  $\langle E_1, \dots, E_k \rangle_n \notin \{\mathcal{W} \in \mathfrak{P}: \mathcal{W} \cap \langle V_1, \dots, V_r \rangle_n \neq \emptyset\}$ . This implies that

$$\{\mathcal{W} \in \mathfrak{P}: \mathcal{W} \cap \langle V_1, \dots, V_r \rangle_n \neq \emptyset\} \subset \{\langle P_1, \dots, P_s \rangle_n: P_1, \dots, P_s \in \mathcal{P}_0, s \leq n\}.$$

Furthermore, since  $\mathcal{P}_0$  is finite,  $\{\mathcal{W} \in \mathfrak{P}: \mathcal{W} \cap \langle V_1, \dots, V_r \rangle_n \neq \emptyset\}$  is finite. Hence,  $\mathfrak{P}$  is locally finite in  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ .

Case 6. (P) is locally countable. Similar to the proof of Case 5. □

**Lemma 2.3.** (1) If  $\mathcal{P}$  is a  $cn$ -network then so is  $\mathfrak{P}$ .

(2) If  $X$  is regular and  $\mathcal{P}$  is a  $ck$ -network then so is  $\mathfrak{P}$ .

PROOF: Let  $F = \{x_1, \dots, x_r\} \in \mathcal{F}_n(X)$  and  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open neighborhood of  $F$  in  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ . Then, there exist open subsets  $U_1, \dots, U_s$  of  $X$  such that

$$F \in \langle U_1, \dots, U_s \rangle_n \subset \mathcal{U}.$$

It follows from Notation 1.3 that there exist open subsets  $U_{x_1}, \dots, U_{x_r}$  of  $X$  such that  $x_j \in U_{x_j}$  for each  $j \leq r$ , and

$$F \in \langle U_{x_1}, \dots, U_{x_r} \rangle_n \subset \langle U_1, \dots, U_s \rangle_n \subset \mathcal{U}.$$

(1) For each  $j \leq r$ , we put

$$\mathcal{P}_j = \{P \in \mathcal{P}: x_j \in P \subset U_{x_j}\}.$$

Then, for each  $j \leq r$ , since  $\mathcal{P}$  is a  $cn$ -network in  $X$ ,  $\bigcup \mathcal{P}_j$  is a neighborhood of  $x_j$  in  $X$ . This implies that for each  $j \leq r$ , there is  $V_j$  open in  $X$  such that

$$x_j \in V_j \subset \bigcup \mathcal{P}_j.$$

Moreover, if we put  $\mathcal{R} = \bigcup_{j \leq r} \mathcal{P}_j$  then

$$\begin{aligned} F \in \langle V_1, \dots, V_r \rangle_n &\subset \left\langle \bigcup \mathcal{P}_1, \dots, \bigcup \mathcal{P}_r \right\rangle_n \\ &\subset \bigcup \{\langle P_1, \dots, P_s \rangle_n: F \in \langle P_1, \dots, P_s \rangle_n, P_1, \dots, P_s \in \mathcal{R}, s \leq n\} \\ &\subset \bigcup \{\mathcal{W} \in \mathfrak{P}: F \in \mathcal{W} \subset \mathcal{U}\}. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, since  $\langle V_1, \dots, V_r \rangle_n$  is open in  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ , we have  $\bigcup \{\mathcal{W} \in \mathfrak{P}: F \in \mathcal{W} \subset \mathcal{U}\}$  is a neighborhood of  $F$  in  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ . Therefore,  $\mathfrak{P}$  is a  $cn$ -network in  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ .

(2) For each  $j \leq r$ , since  $\mathcal{P}$  is a  $ck$ -network in  $X$ , there exists a neighborhood  $V_{x_j} \subset U_{x_j}$  such that for each compact subset  $A_j \subset V_{x_j}$ , there exists a finite

subfamily  $\mathcal{A}_j$  of  $\mathcal{P}$  satisfying

$$x_j \in \bigcap \mathcal{A}_j \quad \text{and} \quad A_j \subset \bigcup \mathcal{A}_j \subset U_{x_j}.$$

Next, for each  $j \leq r$ , since  $X$  is regular, there exists  $W_{x_j}$  open in  $X$  such that

$$x_j \in W_{x_j} \subset \overline{W}_{x_j} \subset V_{x_j}.$$

Now, if we put  $\mathcal{V}_F = \langle W_{x_1}, \dots, W_{x_r} \rangle_n$  then for each compact subset  $\mathcal{K} \subset \mathcal{V}_F$ , we have

$$\bigcup \mathcal{K} \subset \bigcup_{j \leq r} \overline{W}_{x_j}.$$

Moreover, since  $\bigcup \mathcal{K}$  is compact in  $X$  by Lemma 1.4, we have  $K_j = (\bigcup \mathcal{K}) \cap \overline{W}_{x_j}$  is compact in  $X$  and  $K_j \subset V_{x_j}$ . Thus, there exists a finite subfamily  $\mathcal{F}_j \subset \mathcal{P}$  such that

$$x_j \in \bigcap \mathcal{F}_j \quad \text{and} \quad K_j \subset \bigcup \mathcal{F}_j \subset U_{x_j}.$$

Lastly, if we put  $\mathcal{R} = \bigcup_{j \leq r} \mathcal{F}_j$  and

$$\mathcal{F} = \{ \langle P_1, \dots, P_s \rangle_n : F \in \langle P_1, \dots, P_s \rangle_n, P_1, \dots, P_s \in \mathcal{R}, s \leq n \}$$

then  $\mathcal{F}$  is finite,  $F \in \bigcap \mathcal{F}$  and  $\bigcup \mathcal{F} \subset \langle U_{x_1}, \dots, U_{x_r} \rangle_n$ . Furthermore,  $\mathcal{K} \subset \bigcup \mathcal{F}$ . In fact, for any  $\{y_1, \dots, y_p\} \in \mathcal{K}$ , we have  $\{y_1, \dots, y_p\} \subset \bigcup \mathcal{K}$ . For each  $k \leq p$ , since  $\bigcup \mathcal{K} = \bigcup_{j \leq r} K_j$ , there exists  $j_0 \leq r$  such that  $y_k \in K_{j_0} \subset \bigcup \mathcal{F}_{j_0}$ . This implies that  $\{y_1, \dots, y_p\} \in \bigcup \mathcal{F}$ . Thus,  $\mathcal{K} \subset \bigcup \mathcal{F} \subset \langle U_{x_1}, \dots, U_{x_r} \rangle_n$ .

Therefore,  $\mathfrak{P}$  is a  $ck$ -network in  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ . □

**Theorem 2.4.** *Let  $X$  be a space and let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then:*

- (1) *Space  $X$  has a  $\sigma$ -( $P$ )-property  $cn$ -network if and only if so does  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ .*
- (2) *If  $X$  is regular, then  $X$  has a  $\sigma$ -( $P$ )-property  $ck$ -network if and only if so does  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ .*

PROOF: *Necessity.* Assume that  $\mathcal{P} = \bigcup \{ \mathcal{P}_k : k \in \mathbb{N} \}$  is a  $cn$ -network ( $ck$ -network) in  $X$ , where each  $\mathcal{P}_k$  has ( $P$ )-property and  $\mathcal{P}_k \subset \mathcal{P}_{k+1}$  for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . By Lemma 2.2, we have

$$\mathfrak{B}_k = \{ \langle P_1, \dots, P_s \rangle_n : P_1, \dots, P_s \in \mathcal{P}_k, s \leq n \}$$

has the ( $P$ )-property, and  $\mathfrak{B}_k \subset \mathfrak{B}_{k+1}$  for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore,  $\mathfrak{B} = \bigcup \{ \mathfrak{B}_k : k \in \mathbb{N} \}$  is a cover for  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$  having  $\sigma$ -( $P$ )-property. Moreover, observe that

$$\mathfrak{B} \subset \{ \langle P_1, \dots, P_s \rangle_n : P_1, \dots, P_s \in \mathcal{P}, s \leq n \}.$$

Now, let  $\mathcal{W} \in \{ \langle P_1, \dots, P_s \rangle_n : P_1, \dots, P_s \in \mathcal{P}, s \leq n \}$ . Then, there exist  $P_1, \dots, P_s \in \mathcal{P}$  such that  $\mathcal{W} = \langle P_1, \dots, P_s \rangle_n$ . Since  $\mathcal{P} = \bigcup \{ \mathcal{P}_k : k \in \mathbb{N} \}$ , there

exist  $k_i \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $P_i \in \mathcal{P}_{k_i}$  for each  $i \leq s$ . If we put  $m = \max\{k_i : i \leq s\}$  then  $P_1, \dots, P_s \in \mathcal{P}_m$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . This implies that  $\mathcal{W} \in \mathfrak{P}_m \subset \mathfrak{P}$ . Thus,

$$\mathfrak{P} = \{ \langle P_1, \dots, P_s \rangle_n : P_1, \dots, P_s \in \mathcal{P}, s \leq n \}.$$

It follows from Lemma 2.3 that  $\mathfrak{P}$  is a  $cn$ -network ( $ck$ -network) in  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ .

*Sufficiency.* Let  $\mathfrak{B} = \bigcup \{ \mathfrak{B}_k : k \in \mathbb{N} \}$  be a  $cn$ -network ( $ck$ -network) in  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$  with  $\sigma$ -( $P$ )-property. Then,

$$\mathcal{P} = \bigcup \{ \mathfrak{B}_k|_{\mathcal{F}_1(X)} : k \in \mathbb{N} \}$$

is a  $cn$ -network ( $ck$ -network) in  $\mathcal{F}_1(X)$  with  $\sigma$ -( $P$ )-property, where  $\mathfrak{B}_k|_{\mathcal{F}_1(X)} = \{ P \cap \mathcal{F}_1(X) : P \in \mathfrak{B}_k \}$  for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . On the other hand, it follows from Remark 1.1 that  $\xi : \mathcal{F}_1(X) \rightarrow X$  given by  $\xi(\{x\}) = x$  is a homeomorphism. Therefore,  $X$  has a  $\sigma$ -( $P$ )-property  $cn$ -network ( $ck$ -network).  $\square$

By Theorem 2.4, we obtain the following corollary.

**Corollary 2.5.** *Let  $X$  be a space and let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then:*

- (1) *Space  $X$  is strict  $\sigma$ -space if and only if so is  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ .*
- (2) *If  $X$  is regular, then  $X$  is strict  $\aleph$ -space if and only if so is  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$ .*

**Question 2.6.** *Let  $X$  be a Hausdorff space and let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $X$  has a  $\sigma$ -( $P$ )-property  $ck$ -network, then does  $\mathcal{F}_n(X)$  have a  $\sigma$ -( $P$ )-property  $ck$ -network?*

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