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*Countable fan-tightness versus countable tightness*

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**Abstract:** Countable tightness is compared to the stronger notion of countable fan-tightness. In particular, we prove that countable tightness is equivalent to countable fan-tightness in countably compact regular spaces, and that countable fan-tightness is preserved by pseudo-open compact mappings. We also discuss the behaviour of countable tightness and of countable fan-tightness under the product operation.

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