

A TREATISE ON TOPOLOGICAL b- REGULAR SPACES

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ABSTRACT

The present paper introduces the notion of b- Regular spaces and this concept is important generalisation of regularity using the notion of b- open and b- closed sets in a topological space.

D. Andrejevic introduced a new class of generalised open sets in a topological space, the so called b- open sets, which contains all semi- open sets and pre – open sets. No doubt b- open sets lie in between the class of the union of pre – open sets and semi – open sets and the class of β – open sets. Hence, the framing of this paper bears the main aim to introduce and study b- regularity in the space.

The aim of this paper is to study the class of b- regular spaces and b- T_3 space. Many related theorems and examples have been cited. We also obtained characterization theorem and preservation theorem.

KEY WORDS: b – regular space, b- T_3 space, b- homomorphism, b- irresolute, b- closure of set, b- Tychonoffspace.

INTRODUCTION

D .Andrijivic, a polish mathematician, introduced and investigated semi – pre – open sets¹ in 1986. Later on in 1996, he conceptualised b- open sets² which are some of the weak forms of open sets. Let A be a subset of a space X. Then closure and the interior of A are denoted by $cl(A)$ and $int(A)$ respectively.

DEFINITION (1.1):

A subset A of space (X,T) is called

- (a) a pre – open^{4,7} set if $A \subseteq int(cl(A))$ and pre – closed set if $cl(int(A)) \subseteq A$;
- (b) a semi – open⁵ set if $A \subseteq cl(int(A))$ and semi – closed set if $int(cl(A)) \subseteq A$;
- (c) an α - open set⁶ if $A \subseteq int(cl(int(A)))$ and b - closed set if $cl(int(cl(A))) \subseteq A$;
- (d) a β – open set⁸ if $A \subseteq cl(int(cl(A)))$ and β – closed set¹ if $int(cl(int(A))) \subseteq A$.

Now, a new class of generalized open sets given by D . Andrijevic under the name b – open sets is as below.

DEFINITION (1.2)^{2,3} :

A subset A of a space (X,T) is called a b – open set² if $A \subseteq cl(int(A)) \cup int(cl(A))$ and a b – closed set³ if $cl(int(A)) \cap int(cl(A)) \subseteq A$.

All the above given definitions are different and independent. The classes of pre – open , semi – open , α – open , semi – pre – open and b – open sets of a space (X,T) are usually denoted by $PO(X,T)$, $SO(X,T)$, T^α , $SPO(X,T)$ and $BO(X,T)$ respectively.

DEFINITION (1.3) : b – Regular Spaces :

A topological spaces (X,T) is said to be a b – regular space if for every b – closed subset F of X , and for every point $x \in X$ in the manner that $x \notin F$, there exist disjoint b – open sets $G,H \subseteq X$ s.t. $F \subseteq G$ and $x \in H$.

or

For every b – closed subset F of X and for each $x \in F^c$, there exist disjoint b-open sets containing F and x separately.

In other words a topological space (X,T) is a b – regular space if given a point $x \in X$ and a b – closed set $F \subseteq X$ such that $x \notin F$ then there exist b – open sets $G,H \subseteq X$ such that $F \subseteq G$, $x \in H$ and $G \cap H = \phi$.

DEFINITION (1.4) : b – T₃ Space :

A topological space (X,T) is defined to be a b- T₃ space if it is both b – regular and b- T₁ space.

EXAMPLES OF b – Regular space (1.5) :

- (i) Every discrete space is b – regular.

Let $X = \{a,b\}$

$T = \{ \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, X \}$

Here T is a discrete topology

$T^c = \{ \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, X \}$

$BO(X, T) = \{ \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, X \}$

$BC(X, T) = \{ \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, X \}$

Here (X,T) is b – regular.

- (ii) Every indiscrete space is b- regular. Let X be finite non – empty set such that

$X = \{a, b, c\}$

$T = \{ \phi, X \}$

$T^c = \{ \phi, X \}$

$BO(X, T) = \{ \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{c, a\}, X \} = P(X)$

$BC(X, T) = \{ \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{c, a\}, X \}$

Here , (X,T) is b – regular.

Theorem (1.6)– Every b – regular and T₁- space is a b – T₃ space.

Proof: Let (X, T) be a T₁ space.

Let $x, y \in X$; where $x \neq y$.

Then since X is a T₁- space, $\{x\}$ is a closed set and in turns $\{x\}$ is a b – closed set.

Hence , (X,T) is a b – T₁ space.

Since , a topological space (X,T) is a b- T₁ space iff every singleton set $\{x\} \subseteq X$ is b – closed.
[by a theorem].

This means that (X,T) being b- regular and b- T₁ space is a b – T₃ space.

Hence , the theorem.

Theorem (1.7) – If (X,T) is a topological space then the following statements are equivalent :

- (i) (X,T) is b – regular.
- (ii) For every point $x \in X$ and each b- closed set N containing x , there exists a b – closed set M containing x s.t. $M \subseteq N$.
- (iii) every b – closed subset G of X is the intersection of all super b – closed sets of G .

CHARACTERIZATION THEOREM

Theorem (1.8) - A topological space (X,T) is b - regular iff $\forall x \in X$ and every b - open set N containing x , there exists a b - open set M containing x s.t. $b\text{-cl}(M) \subseteq N$.

PROOF: Necessary Condition:

Let (X,T) be a b - regular space.

Let O be a b - open set containing $x \in X$.

Since, (X,T) is b - regular hence \exists b - open sets L, M s.t. $O^c \subseteq L$,
 $x \in M$ and $L \cap M = \emptyset$, since O^c is b - closed and $x \notin O^c$.

Again, $L \cap M = \emptyset \Rightarrow M \subseteq L^c$
 $\Rightarrow b\text{-cl}(M) \subseteq b\text{-cl}(L^c) = L^c$

Since, L^c is b - closed.

Also, $O^c \subseteq L \Rightarrow L^c \subseteq O$.

So, that

$$b\text{-cl}(M) \subseteq L^c \text{ and } L^c \subseteq O \\ \Rightarrow b\text{-cl}(M) \subseteq O$$

Hence, Proved.

SUFFICIENT CONDITION:

Let the prescribed condition hold good and given as :

$\forall x \in X$ and every b - open set N containing x there exists a b -open set M containing x s.t. $b\text{-cl}(M) \subseteq N$.

Let P be a b - closed set s.t. $x \notin P$ then $x \notin P \Rightarrow x \in P^c$ which is b - open.

Now, $x \in P^c \Rightarrow \exists$ a b - open set M

s.t. $x \in M$ and $b\text{-cl}(M) \subseteq P^c$.

[According to the prescribed condition]

$\Rightarrow P \subseteq \{b\text{-cl}(M)\}^c$.

Thus, $x \in M \wedge P \subseteq \{b\text{-cl}(M)\}^c$

Which is b - open.

Also,

$$M \cap \{b\text{-cl}(M)\}^c \subseteq [b\text{-cl}(M)] \cap [b\text{-cl}(M)]^c$$

or, $M \cap \{b\text{-cl}(M)\}^c \subseteq \emptyset$.

Since, \emptyset is a subset of every set, hence $M \cap \{b\text{-cl}(M)\}^c = \emptyset$.

Let, $\{b\text{-cl}(M)\}^c = G$, then we obtain that, as x is arbitrary, for every $x \in X$ and every b - closed set P for which $x \notin P$, there exist b - open sets M & G such that $P \subseteq G$ and $x \in M$, where $M \cap G = \emptyset \Rightarrow (X,T)$ is b - regular.

Hence, the sufficient condition.

THEOREM (1.9): The property of a space being b - regular is a topological invariant under b - homomorphism.

PROOF: Let (X,T_1) be a b - regular space and (Y,T_2) is a b - regular space and (Y,T_2) is a b - homomorphic image of (X,T_1) .

We have to show that (Y,T_2) is also b - regular.

Now, if H be a T_2 - b closed subset of Y and $y \in Y$ s.t. $y \notin H$, then f being one - one onto, $\exists x \in X$ s.t. $f(x) = y \Rightarrow f^{-1}(y) = x$ (1)

Also $f: T_1 \rightarrow T_2$ is b - irresolute $\Rightarrow f^{-1}(H)$ is T_1 - b - closed

and $y \notin H \Rightarrow f^{-1}(y) \notin f^{-1}(H)$

$\Rightarrow x \notin f^{-1}(H)$ by (1)

$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(H)$ is T_1 -closed and $x \in X$ s.t. $x \notin f^{-1}(H)$

$\Rightarrow (X, T)$ being b -regular, $\exists T_1$ - b open sets N, M s.t. $x \in N$, $f^{-1}(H) \subseteq M$ and $N \cap M = \emptyset$.

But $x \in N \Rightarrow f(x) \in f(N) \Rightarrow y \in f(N)$ by (1),

$f^{-1}(H) \subseteq M \Rightarrow f(f^{-1}(H)) \subseteq f(M)$,

$\Rightarrow H \subseteq f(M)$

and $N \cap M = \emptyset \Rightarrow f(N \cap M) = f(\emptyset)$

$\Rightarrow f(N) \cap f(M) = \emptyset$, since f is one-to-one and $f(\emptyset) = \emptyset$

Also, f is an M - b -open map

$\Rightarrow f(N) = N_1$ and $f(M) = N_2$ (say) are T_2 - b -open.

Conclusively, $\exists T_2$ - b -open sets N_1 and M_1 s.t. $y \in N_1$, $H \subseteq M_1$ and $N_1 \cap M_1 = \emptyset$.

It follows that (Y, T_2) is also a b -regular space and hence b -regularity is a topological invariant.

Hence, the theorem.

DEFINITION (1.10) : Completely b -Regular Spaces

A topological space (X, T) is said to be a completely b -regular space iff \forall b -closed subset F of X and every point x of F^c there is a b -continuous function f on X into the subspace $[0, 1]$ of real line, such that $f(x) = 0$ and $f(y) = 1 \forall y \in F$.

In other words, a topological space (X, T) is a completely b -regular space if given a closed set $F \subseteq X$ and a point $x \in X$ s.t. $x \notin F$, \exists a continuous function $f: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ with $f(x) = 0$, $f(F) = \{1\}$.

DEFINITION (1.11): b -Tychonoff space or b - $T_{3/2}$ space

A Completely b -regular as well as b - T_1 space is said to be a b -Tychonoff space.

A b -Tychonoff space is known as b - $T_{3/2}$ space.

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