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The Topology τ^* on Alexandroff Spaces

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Abstract

The generalized closure operator cl^* induces a topology τ^* . In this paper, we study the topology τ^* on lower bounded Alexandroff spaces. We prove that (X, τ^*) is a submaximal T_0 -Alexandroff space. We get some new results about the relation between τ^* and τ_α . Then we prove that a subset A in a lower bounded space is g -closed set if and only if A is α -open in the dual space.

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1. Introduction:

A topological space X is submaximal [6] if each dense subset is open. X is $T_{\frac{1}{2}}$ -space if every singleton set is either open or closed [12]. A subset A of X is said to be α -open [9] (resp. preopen [1], semi-open [8]) if $A \subseteq \overline{A^o}$ (resp. $A \subseteq \overline{A}^o$, $A \subseteq \overline{A^o}$). A set F is called j -closed for $j \in \{\alpha, \text{semi}, \text{pre}\}$ if $X \setminus F$ is j -open. The family of all α -open (resp. preopen, preclosed, semi-open, semi-closed) is denoted by τ_α (resp. $PO(X)$, $PC(X)$, $SO(X)$, $SC(X)$). We have the following facts: The collection τ_α forms a topology on X [9]. $\tau_\alpha = PO(X) \cap SO(X)$ [11]. $\tau \subseteq \tau_\alpha$ (resp. $\tau \subseteq JO(X)$ for $J \in \{S, P\}$). For $j \in \{\text{semi}, \text{pre}\}$,

the union (intersection) of any family of j -open (j -closed) sets is j -open (j -closed).

An Alexandroff space [10] (briefly A -space) X is a topological space in which an arbitrary intersection of open sets is open. In this space, each element x possesses a smallest open neighborhood $V(x)$ which is the intersection of all open sets containing x . For every T_0 A -space (X, τ) , there is a corresponding poset $(X, \leq_\tau)$ in one to one and onto way, where each one of them is completely determined by the other. If (X, τ) is a T_0 A -space, we define the corresponding partial order $\leq_\tau$, called (Alexandroff) specialization order, by: $a \leq_\tau b$ iff $a \in \overline{\{b\}}$ iff $b \in V(a)$. On the other hand, if $(X, \leq)$ is a poset, then the collection $\mathbf{B} = \{\uparrow x : x \in P\}$ forms a base for a T_0 A -space on X , denoted by $\tau_\leq$.

So throughout this paper, we consider $(X, \tau(\leq))$ to be a T_0 A -space (X, τ) together with its corresponding poset $(X, \leq)$. A space is upper bounded T_0 A -space ($UB T_0$ A -space) [2] if every chain of points in the corresponding poset $(X, \leq)$ is bounded above [2]. A space is lower bounded (LB) [2] if every chain of points is bounded below. Given a poset $(X, \leq)$, the set of all maximal elements is denoted by $M(X)$ (or simply by M) and the set of all minimal elements is denoted by $m(X)$ (or simply by m). Moreover, for each $x \in X$, we define $\uparrow x = \{y \in X : x \leq y\}$, $\downarrow x = \{y \in X : x \geq y\}$, $\hat{x}$ to be the set of all maximal elements greater than or equal to x , and $\check{x}$ the set of all minimal elements less than or equal to x [4]. If X is a $UB T_0$ A -space, then $M \neq \emptyset$ and $\hat{x} \neq \emptyset \forall x \in X$. Similarly in an $LB T_0$ A -spaces, $m \neq \emptyset$ and $\check{x} \neq \emptyset$. For a T_0 A -space, $V(x) = \uparrow x$, and $\bar{x} = \downarrow x \forall x \in X$. Moreover, if $A \subseteq X$, then $\bar{A} = \downarrow A$ ($= \downarrow A = \bigcup_{x \in A} \downarrow x$), $A^\circ = \{x \in A : \uparrow x \subseteq A\}$, and the smallest open set containing A equals $\uparrow A = \bigcup_{x \in A} \uparrow x$.

Theorem 1.1. [5] Let $(X, \tau(\leq))$ be a T_0 A -space, then all the following are equivalent:

- X is $T_{\frac{1}{2}}$ -space.
- X is submaximal.
- Each α -open set is open; that is, $\tau_\alpha = \tau$.
- Each element of X is either maximal or minimal.

Theorem 1.2. [3] Let $(X, \tau(\leq))$ be a $UB T_0$ A -space. Then:

- $PO(X) = \tau_\alpha$ and $PO(X) \subseteq SO(X)$.
- a subset A is semi open set if and only if $\hat{x} \cap A \neq \emptyset \forall x \in A$.
- a subset A is α -open set if and only if $\hat{x} \subseteq A \forall x \in A$.
- a subset A is clopen in τ if and only if A is clopen in τ_α .
- (X, τ_α) is a submaximal T_0 A -space.

1. Generalized Closed Sets on $LB T_0$ A -Spaces:

Definition 2.1. [7] A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is called a generalized closed set (briefly g -closed), if $\bar{A} \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$, and U is open in X . A subset A of X is g -open if A^c is g -closed.

Remark 2.2. (a) In general, the collection of all g -open sets need not form a topology on X .

(b) In a T_0 A -space, since $\uparrow A$ is the smallest open nhoo of A , we can use $\uparrow A$ instead the open set U which contains A in the Definition 2.1.

(c) An alternating definition of $T_{\frac{1}{2}}$ -space found in [7] as a space where each g -closed set is closed.

Proposition 2.3. If $(X, \tau(\leq))$ is a T_0 A -space and $A \subseteq X$, then A is g -closed set if and only if $\forall x \in A$, and $\forall a \in \bar{x}$ we have $\bar{a} \cap A \neq \emptyset$.

Proof. Let $x \in A$ and $a \in \bar{x} (= \downarrow x)$. As A g -closed, $\bar{A} \subseteq \uparrow A$, and hence $a \in \uparrow A$. Then there exists $y \in A$ such that $a \in \uparrow y$. Equivalently, $y \in \downarrow a (= \bar{a})$. Conversely, it suffices to prove that $\bar{A} \subseteq \uparrow A$, so let $r \in \bar{A} (= \downarrow A)$. Then there exists $x \in A$ such that $r \in \downarrow x$. By given, $\bar{r} \cap A \neq \emptyset$. Let $y \in \bar{r} \cap A$. Then $r \in \uparrow y \subseteq \uparrow A$. $\square$

Corollary 2.4. Let $(X, \tau(\leq))$ be an $LB T_0$ A -space, and A a subset of X . Then A is g -closed set if and only if $\forall x \in A$, $\bar{x} \subseteq A$.

Proof. For $x \in A$, $\bar{x} \subseteq \downarrow x$. Let $a \in \bar{x}$, then $a = \bar{a}$ and $\bar{a} \cap A \neq \emptyset$. Hence $a \in A$. The converse is easy. $\square$

Corollary 2.5. If $(X, \tau(\leq))$ is an $LB T_0$ A -space, and $A \subseteq X$, then A is g -open if and only if $\uparrow x \subseteq A$ whenever $x \in m \cap A$.

Proof. Suppose to contrary that $y \in m \cap A$ such that $\uparrow y \cap A^c \neq \emptyset$. Then there exists $r \geq y$ such that $r \in A^c$. By Corollary 2.4, $\bar{r} \subseteq A^c$. Since $y \in m$, $y \in \bar{r} \subseteq A^c$ which is a contradiction. Conversely, Let

$r \in A^c$ and let $s \in \check{r}$. Then $r \in \uparrow s$. This implies that $s \in A^c$, and hence $\check{r} \subseteq A^c$. Therefore, A^c is g -closed. $\square$

Example 2.6. Let $X = \{a, b, d, c, e, f, g, h, r\}$, equipped with the partial order as shown in Figure 1 below:

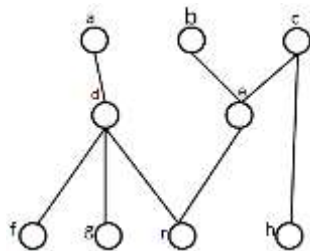


Figure 1: g -closed and g -open sets

For the set $A = \{a, e, r, g, f\}$, we have that $\check{a} = \{f, g, r\}$, $\check{e} = \{r\}$, $\check{r} = \{r\}$, $\check{f} = \{f\}$, and $\check{g} = \{g\}$. That is, $\forall x \in A$, $\check{x} \subseteq A$. Hence A is g -closed. Let $B = \{d, f, c, g, r\}$. Then B is not g -closed set, since $\check{c} \not\subseteq B$. Consider the set $D = \{h, c, f, d, a\}$. We have that $D \cap m = \{h, f\}$, and $\uparrow h \subseteq D$, $\uparrow f \subseteq D$. Hence D is g -open.

2. The Topology τ^* :

A Kuratowski closure operator cl^* is defined in [13] as the intersection of all g -closed sets. The topology generated by cl^* is denoted as τ^* . For any topological space (X, τ) , the space (X, τ^*) is always a $T_{\frac{1}{2}}$ -space. It

is worth mentioned that if A is a g -closed, then $cl^*(A) = A$ is g -closed. But for arbitrary set A , $cl^*(A)$ need not be always g -closed.

Theorem 3.1. If $(X, \tau(\leq))$ is an $LB T_0$ A -space and $A \subseteq X$, then $cl^*(A) = A \cup \bigcup_{x \in A} \check{x}$.

Proof. From Corollary 2.4, the set $A \cup \bigcup_{x \in A} \check{x}$ is a g -closed set containing A , so $cl^*(A) \subseteq A \cup \bigcup_{x \in A} \check{x}$. Let S be any g -closed set containing A . Then $\forall x \in S$, $\check{x} \subseteq S$. If $y \in A \cup \bigcup_{x \in A} \check{x}$ and $y \notin A$, then $y \in \check{x}$ for some $x \in A$. As $A \subseteq S$, $y \in S$. Hence $A \cup \bigcup_{x \in A} \check{x}$ is the

smallest g -closed set containing A . Therefore $cl^*(A) = A \cup \bigcup_{x \in A} \check{x}$. $\square$

Corollary 3.2. If X is an $LB T_0$ A -space, then $\forall A \subseteq X$, $cl^*(A)$ is a g -closed.

From this corollary, we deduce that in an $LB T_0$ A -space X , τ^* is precisely the collection of all g -open sets in X .

Example 3.3. In Example 2.6, as A g -closed, $cl^*(A) = A$. So $A^c = \{b, c, d, h\} \in \tau^*$. While $cl^*(B) = B \cup \{h\} \neq B$, so B is not g -closed.

Theorem 3.4. If $(X, \tau(\leq))$ is an $LB T_0$ A -space, then (X, τ^*) is a $T_{\frac{1}{2}}$ A -space.

Proof. Let $\{u_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\}$ be a collection of g -closed sets in (X, τ) ($=$ closed in (X, τ^*)), and let $x \in \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} u_\alpha$. Then by Corollary 2.4, $\check{x} \subseteq u_\alpha$ for some $\alpha \in \Delta$. So, $\check{x} \subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} u_\alpha$. Hence $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} u_\alpha$ is g -closed, and (X, τ^*) is A -space. $\square$

As (X, τ^*) is a T_0 A -space, we denote its specialization order by $\leq^*$. The following theorem describes the partial order $\leq^*$ on X .

Proposition 3.5. Let $(X, \tau(\leq))$ be an $LB T_0$ A -space and x, y two elements in X . Then $x \leq^* y$ if and only if $x \in \{y\} \bigcup \check{y}$.

Proof. Direct using the fact $cl^*\{y\} = \{y\} \bigcup \check{y}$. $\square$

Remark 3.6. With respect to the order $\leq^*$, we will use the following notations:

- M^* to be the set of all maximal elements.
- m^* to be the set of all minimal elements.
- $\uparrow^* x := \{y \in X : x \leq^* y\}$.
- $\downarrow^* x := \{y \in X : y \leq^* x\}$.
- $\hat{x}^* := \uparrow^* x \cap M^*$.
- $\check{x}^* := \downarrow^* x \cap m^*$.

Theorem 3.7. Let $(X, \tau(\leq))$ be an $LB T_0$ A-space. Then:

- each element in X is either maximal or minimal with respect to $\leq^*$.
- (X, τ^*) is submaximal space.
- $m^* = m$.
- $M^* = (X \setminus m) \cup (m \cap M)$.

Proof. The parts (a) and (b) come directly from Theorem 1.1 and the fact that τ^* is $T_{\frac{1}{2}}$.

(c) Let $x \in m^*$, and let $y \leq x$. Then from part (a), either $y = x$ or $y \in \check{x}$. So $y \leq^* x$, and hence $y = x$. If $x \in m$, then $\check{x} = \{x\}$ and $\check{x} \cup \{x\} = \{x\}$. So, if $y \leq^* x$, then $y \in \check{x} \cup \{x\} = \{x\}$. Hence $y = x$, and $x \in m^*$.

(d) Comes directly from parts (a) and (c). $\square$

Proposition 3.8. If $(X, \tau(\leq))$ is an $LB T_0$ A-space and $A \subseteq X$, then $\text{int}^*(A) = (A \setminus m) \cup \{x \in m : \uparrow x \subseteq A\}$.

Proof. $x \in \text{int}^*(A)$ iff $\uparrow^* x \subseteq A$. $\square$

Example 3.9. For the $LB T_0$ A-space described in Example 2.6, the induced order $\leq^*$ on X is given in Figure 2 below:

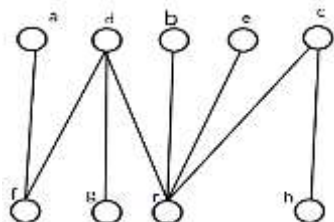


Figure 2: Induced poset $(X, \leq^*)$

Theorem 3.10. If $(X, \tau(\leq))$ is an $LB T_0$ A-space, then:

- $m \cap M = m^* \cap M^*$.
- $\downarrow^* x = \{x\} \cup \check{x}$.
- if $x \notin m$ then $\uparrow^* x = \{x\}$, and if $x \in m$ then $\uparrow^* x = \uparrow x$.

Proof. The proof comes directly from the description of $\leq^*$ in Proposition 3.5 and Theorem 3.7. $\square$

3. The Relation Between τ^* and τ_α :

If (X, τ) is an A-space with a collection F of closed sets, then F is itself an Alexandroff topology on X , called the dual Alexandroff topology of τ on X , and usually denoted by τ_δ . If $(X, \tau(\leq))$ is a T_0 A-space, then the Alexandroff dual is also T_0 -space. The induced order $\leq_\delta$ is the reverse order of the order $\leq$; that is, $x \leq_\delta y$ iff $y \leq x$. So, for $x \in X$, we have $V(x) = \text{cl}_\delta(x)$ and $V_\delta(x) = \text{cl}(x)$. Moreover, if $(X, \tau(\leq))$ is a UB (resp. an LB) T_0 A-space, then the dual space $(X, \tau_\delta(\leq_\delta))$ is an LB (resp. a UB) T_0 A-space. The set of maximal elements M^δ in the corresponding poset $(X, \leq_\delta)$ equals the set of minimal points m in $(X, \leq)$, and similarly $m^\delta = M$. For $A \subseteq X$, the up (resp. down) set $\uparrow_\delta A = \downarrow A$ (resp. $\downarrow_\delta A = \uparrow A$). For $x \in X$, $\hat{x}_\delta = \uparrow_\delta x \cap M^\delta$ and $\check{x}_\delta = \downarrow_\delta x \cap m^\delta$. It is clearly that $\hat{x}_\delta = \check{x}$ and $\check{x}_\delta = \hat{x}$.

Theorem 4.1. Let $(X, \tau(\leq))$ be an $LB T_0$ A-space, and A is a subset of X . Then A is g-closed in (X, τ) if and only if A is α -open in the dual space $(X, \tau_\delta(\leq_\delta))$.

Proof. A is g-closed set in $(X, \tau(\leq))$ if and only if $\check{x} \subseteq A \quad \forall x \in A$ (Theorem 2.4) if and only if $\hat{x}_\delta \subseteq A \quad \forall x \in A$ if and only if A is α -open set in (X, τ_δ) (Theorem 1.2 part (c)). $\square$

Proposition 4.2. Let $(X, \tau(\leq))$ be a $UB T_0$ A-space, then $(\tau_\alpha)^* = \tau_\alpha$.

Proof. Let $(X, \tau(\leq))$ be a $UB T_0$ A-space. Then by Theorem 1.1 and Theorem 1.2 (e), (X, τ_α) is $T_{\frac{1}{2}}$. So any g-closed set in τ_α is closed set. Equivalently, any g-open is open in τ_α . Therefore $(X, (\tau_\alpha)^*) = (X, \tau_\alpha)$. $\square$

Proposition 4.3. Let $(X, \tau(\leq))$ be an $LB T_0$ A-space then $(\tau_\delta)_\alpha = (\tau^*)_\delta$.

Proof. U is α -open in (X, τ_δ) iff U is g-closed in (X, τ) (Theorem 4.1) if and only if U^c is open in τ^* iff $U \in (\tau^*)_\delta$. $\square$

Proposition 4.4. Let $(X, \tau(\leq))$ be an $LB T_0 A$ -space and $A \subseteq X$. Then A is clopen if and only if A is g-clopen.

Proof. A is clopen in τ iff A is clopen in τ_δ iff A is clopen $(\tau_\delta)_\alpha = (\tau^*)_\delta$ (Theorem 1.2 (d) and Theorem 4.3) iff A is clopen in τ^* . $\square$

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التوبولوجي τ^* على الفضاءات الكساندرووف

مؤثر الإغلاق المعمم cl^* يولد توبولوجي τ^* . في هذا البحث قمنا بدراسة التوبولوجي τ^* على الفضاءات الكساندرووف المحدودة من أسفل. تم إثبات أن الفضاء التوبولوجي (X, τ^*) يكون فضاء T_0 submaximal الكساندرووف. إضافة لذلك حصلنا على نتائج جديدة عن العلاقة بين التوبولوجيين τ_α و τ^* . بعد ذلك قمنا بإثبات أن مجموعة A في الفضاء المحدود من أسفل تكون مغلقة معممة إذا وفقط إذا كانت α -مفتوحة في الفضاء التوبولوجي المناظر.