



A NOTE ON PRE-OPEN SETS

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ABSTRACT

The aim of this paper is to give some results concerning Pre-open sets. We also obtained a necessary and sufficient condition for a topological space to be a Pre- T_1 space.

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INTRODUCTION

The term 'pre-open set' was first used by A. S. Mashhour, M. E. Abd El-Monsef and S.N. El-Deeb. In this paper we want to introduce and investigate a necessary and sufficient condition for a topological space to be a Pre- T_1 space.

Throughout this paper X, Y, Z will denote topological spaces. Let A be a subset of X . We will denote the closure of A by $cl(A)$ and Interior of A by $Int(A)$.

PRELIMINARIES

Def 1.1: A subset A of X is pre-open if $A \subseteq Int(cl(A))$.

Def 1.2: A subset A of X is dense if $cl(A) = X$.

Def 1.3: If A and B are subsets of X then A is dense in B if $cl(A) \supseteq B$.

Def 1.4: A topological space X is a Pre- T_1 space if for each pair of distinct elements $x, y \in X$ \exists two pre-open sets A and B such that $x \in A, y \notin A$ and $y \in B, x \notin B$.

Def 1.5: The complement of a pre-open set is a pre-closed set.

WE START WITH THE FOLLOWING RESULT:

Result 1.6: If A is dense in X then A is a pre-open set.

Proof: Given that A is dense in X
 $\Rightarrow cl(A) = X$

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$$\Rightarrow \text{Int}(\text{cl}(A)) = X$$

$$\Rightarrow A \subseteq \text{Int}(\text{cl}(A))$$

Hence A is a pre-open set.

Remark: A pre-open set need not be dense in X.

Example 1.7: $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and $T = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$

Take the subset $A = \{b\}$. Then $\text{cl}(A) = \{b, c\}$ and $\text{Int}(\text{cl}(A)) = \{b, c\}$

Hence A is a pre-open set. But A is not dense in X.

Result 1.8: If A is a subset of an open set B in a topological space X such that $A \subseteq B \subseteq \text{cl}(A)$ then A is a pre-open set in X.

Proof: Given B is an open set in X so that, $B = \text{Int}(B)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } A \subseteq B \subseteq \text{cl}(A) \\ \Rightarrow \text{Int}(A) \subseteq \text{Int}(B) \subseteq \text{Int}(\text{cl}(A)) \\ \Rightarrow \text{Int}(A) \subseteq B \subseteq \text{Int}(\text{cl}(A)) \\ \Rightarrow A \subseteq \text{Int}(\text{cl}(A)) \end{aligned}$$

Hence A is a pre-open set in X.

Theorem 1.9: Arbitrary union of Pre-open sets is a Pre-open set.

Proof: Trivial

Theorem 2: A topological space X is a pre- T_1 space if and only if $\{x\}$ is a pre-closed set for each $x \in X$.

Proof: Suppose X is a pre- T_1 space. Let $x \in X$.

To prove that $\{x\}$ is a pre-closed set, it is enough to prove that $\{x\}^1$ is a pre-open set.

If $\{x\}^1 = \emptyset$ then it is clear.

Let $y \in \{x\}^1 \Rightarrow y \neq x \Rightarrow \exists$ two pre-open sets N_y, N_x such that $x \notin N_y$ and $y \in N_x$.

If we do the same for each element 'y' in X, we get a family of pre-open sets such that $x \notin N_y$ and $y \in N_x$.

$$\text{Clearly } \{x\}^1 = \bigcup_{y \neq x} \{N_y\}$$

By Theorem (1.9), we get that $\{x\}^1$ is a pre-open set.

Hence $\{x\}$ is a pre-closed set.

Converse: Suppose that $\{x\}$ is a pre-closed set for each $x \in X$. Let $x, y \in X$ and $x \neq y$. By assumption $\{x\}$ and $\{y\}$ are pre-closed sets.

$$\Rightarrow \{x\}^1 \text{ and } \{y\}^1 \text{ are pre-open sets in X.}$$

As $y \neq x$ we get that $x \in \{y\}^1$ and $y \in \{x\}^1$

Hence X is a pre- T_1 space.

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