

A NOTE ON SEPARATION AXIOMS IN HYPERSPACES

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1. Introduction

For a topological space (X, \mathcal{F}) , let 2^X be the space of all non-empty closed subsets of X with the finite topology (3, Definition 1.7) and $C(X)$, the subspace of 2^X consisting of all non-empty closed compact subsets of X with the finite topology.

In [3] E. Michael investigated many separation properties that are carried over from a topological space (X, \mathcal{F}) to $(2^X, 2^{\mathcal{F}})$ or to $(C(X), 2^{\mathcal{F}})$ where $2^{\mathcal{F}}$ stands for the finite topology. The present paper deals with some more separation properties namely almost regularity, semi regularity, almost normality and semi normality. As in [3], it is seen that all these separation axioms are carried over to 2^X is almost normal if and only if 2^X is almost regular and it is semi normal if and only if 2^X is semi regular. It is also shown that a space X is almost regular if and only if $C(X)$ is almost regular.

2. Notations and definitions

NOTATION 1. For a given topological space (X, \mathcal{F}) define

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(X) &= \{A \subset X : A \neq \phi\} , \\ 2^X &= \{A \subset X : A \neq \phi \text{ and } A \text{ is closed}\} , \\ C(X) &= \{A \in 2^X : A \text{ is compact}\} . \end{aligned}$$

NOTATION 2. If $A_0, A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$ is any given system of subsets of X ($n \geq 0$), then define

$$B(A_0, A_1, \dots, A_n) = \{F \in 2^X : F \subset A_0, F \cap A_i \neq \phi \text{ for } i \leq n\}$$

Without loss of generality it can be assumed that $A_i \subset A_0$ for $i=1, 2, \dots, n$, since

$$B(A_0, A_1, \dots, A_n) = B(A_0, A_1 \cap A_0, \dots, A_n \cap A_0)$$

NOTATION 3. When there is no confusion $\text{Cl}(F)$ denotes the closure of F and $\text{Int}(F)$ denotes the interior of F . Otherwise we shall write $\mathcal{F}\text{-cl } F$ to indicate that the closure of F is taken with respect to \mathcal{F} . Similar meaning for $\mathcal{F}\text{-int } F$.

DEFINITION 1. (2, page 160) For a given topological space (X, \mathcal{F}) the

collection of all sets of the form $B(G_0, G_1, \dots, G_n)$ with G_0, G_1, \dots, G_n in \mathcal{F} , form a basis for a topology $2^{\mathcal{F}}$ on 2^X , called *the finite topology* [3] or *exponential topology* [2].

REMARK 1. The collection of all sets of the form $B(G_0, G_1, \dots, G_n)$ with G_0, G_1, \dots, G_n in \mathcal{F} where $B(G_0, \dots, G_n) = \{F \in \mathcal{O}(X) : F \subset G_0, \text{ and } F \cap G_i \neq \emptyset \text{ for } i=1, 2, \dots, n\}$ form a basis for a topology on $\mathcal{O}(X)$, denoted again by $2^{\mathcal{F}}$. It is easily seen that the finite topology on 2^X is the relative topology induced on 2^X by the finite topology on $\mathcal{O}(X)$ (3, 5.2.2).

Now we mention two results from [2] and [3] which we use very frequently.

LEMMA 1. (a) For arbitrary subsets A_0, A_1, \dots, A_n and B_0, B_1, \dots, B_m of X

$B(A_0, A_1, \dots, A_n) \subset B(B_0, B_1, \dots, B_m)$ if and only if $\bigcup_{i=0}^n A_i \subset \bigcup_{j=0}^m B_j$ and for each B_j there exist an A_i such that $A_i \subset B_j$ (see 3, 2.3.1)

(b) If $A_i \subset A_0$ for $i=1, 2, \dots, n$

then

$$2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } B(A_0, A_1, \dots, A_n) = B(\mathcal{F}\text{-cl } A_0, \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } A_1, \dots, \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } A_n)$$

$$\text{and } 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-int } B(A_0, A_1, \dots, A_n) = B(\mathcal{F}\text{-int } A_0, \dots, \mathcal{F}\text{-int } A_n)$$

(see 2, pages 160—162).

We next collect the definitions of the separation properties that we have used in this paper.

DEFINITION 2. A set is said to be *regularly closed* [2] if it is the closure of its own interior or equivalently if it is the closure of some open set.

DEFINITION 3. A space (X, \mathcal{F}) is said to be *almost regular* [4] if for every regularly closed set A and each point x not belonging to A there exist disjoint open sets U and V containing A and x respectively. Equivalently a space X is *almost regular* if for each x in X and every open set U containing x there is an open set V such that

$$x \in V \subset \text{Cl } V \subset \text{Int cl } U .$$

DEFINITION 4. A space (X, \mathcal{F}) is said to be *semi regular* [4] if for each point x in X and any open set U containing x , there exists an open set V such that

$$x \in V \subset \text{Int cl } V \subset U .$$

DEFINITION 5. A space (X, \mathcal{F}) is said to be *almost normal* [5] if for every

pair of disjoint sets A and B , one of which is closed and the other is regularly closed, there exist disjoint open sets U and V such that $A \subset U$ and $B \subset V$. Equivalently (X, \mathcal{F}) is *almost normal* if for every closed set A and every open set $U \supset A$, there exist an open set V such that

$$A \subset V \subset \text{Cl } V \subset \text{Int cl } U .$$

DEFINITION 6. A space (X, \mathcal{F}) is said to be *semi normal* [5] if for every closed set A and every open set U containing A , there exists an open set V such that

$$A \subset V \subset \text{Int cl } V \subset U .$$

DEFINITION 7. A space (X, \mathcal{F}) is said to be an E_1 -space [1] if every point is a countable intersection of closed neighbourhoods of that point.

REMARK 2. It is obvious that a space is E_1 if at each point x_0 , there exist a countable number of basic open neighbourhoods say $\{G_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$ of that point such that

$$\{x_0\} = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} \text{Cl } G_i .$$

3. We first prove the equivalence of almost normality of a topological space (X, \mathcal{F}) with almost regularity of the hyperspace $(2^X, 2^{\mathcal{F}})$.

THEOREM 1. For a T_1 -space (X, \mathcal{F}) , the following are equivalent

- (i) (X, \mathcal{F}) is almost normal
- (ii) $(2^X, 2^{\mathcal{F}})$ is almost regular.

PROOF. Assume that X is almost normal. Let $F_0 \in 2^X$ and \mathcal{U} a $2^{\mathcal{F}}$ -open set containing F_0 . We have to show that there exists a $2^{\mathcal{F}}$ -open set \mathcal{V} such that

$$F_0 \in \mathcal{V} \subset 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } \mathcal{V} \subset 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-int } 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } \mathcal{U} .$$

Without loss of generality we may assume that \mathcal{U} is a basic open set in $(2^X, 2^{\mathcal{F}})$ i.e. we may assume that $\mathcal{U} = B(G_0, G_1, \dots, G_n)$ where G_0, G_1, \dots, G_n are \mathcal{F} -open sets.

Since $F_0 \in \mathcal{U}$, we have $F_0 \subset G_0$ and $F_0 \cap G_i \neq \emptyset$ for $i=1, 2, \dots, n$. Assume that

$$q_i \in F_0 \cap G_i \text{ for } i=1, 2, \dots, n .$$

Since (X, \mathcal{F}) is almost normal, there exist \mathcal{F} -open sets $U_0, U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n$ such that

$$F_0 \subset U_0 \subset \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } U_0 \subset \mathcal{F}\text{-int } \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_0$$

and

$$q_i \in U_i \subset \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } U_i \subset \mathcal{F}\text{-int } \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } U_i \text{ for } i=1, 2, \dots, n.$$

Define $\mathcal{V} = B(U_0, U_1, \dots, U_n)$.

Then by Lemma 1(b)

$$\begin{aligned} 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } \mathcal{V} &= 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } B(U_0, U_1, \dots, U_n) \\ &= B(\mathcal{F}\text{-cl } U_0, \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } U_1, \dots, \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } U_n) \\ &\subset B(\mathcal{F}\text{-int } \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_0, \mathcal{F}\text{-int } \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_1, \dots, \mathcal{F}\text{-int } \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_n) \\ &\subset 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-int } 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } B(G_0, G_1, \dots, G_n) \\ &\subset 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-int } 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } \mathcal{U}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$F_0 \in \mathcal{V} \subset 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } \mathcal{V} \subset 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-int } 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } \mathcal{U}.$$

Conversely, let $(2^X, 2^{\mathcal{F}})$ be almost regular. Let F_0 be a \mathcal{F} -closed set and U , \mathcal{F} -open set containing F_0 . It is enough to show that there exists a \mathcal{F} -open set such that

$$F_0 \subset V \subset \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } V \subset \mathcal{F}\text{-int } \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } U.$$

Now $B(U)$ is a $2^{\mathcal{F}}$ -open set containing F_0 . By almost regularity of $(2^X, 2^{\mathcal{F}})$, there exists a $2^{\mathcal{F}}$ -basic open set $B(G_0, G_1, G_2, \dots, G_n)$ such that

$$F_0 \in B(G_0, G_1, \dots, G_n) \subset 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } B(G_0, G_1, \dots, G_n) \subset 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-int } 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } B(U) \text{ i.e. } F_0 \in B(G_0, G_1, \dots, G_n) \subset B(\mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_0, \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_1, \dots, \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_n) \subset B(\mathcal{F}\text{-int } \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } U)$$

Now $\mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_0 \cap \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_i = \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_i \neq \phi$. Hence

$$\mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_0 \in B(\mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_0, \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_1, \dots, \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_n) \subset B(\mathcal{F}\text{-int } \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } U)$$

i.e., $\mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_0 \subset \mathcal{F}\text{-int } \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } U$.

Clearly $F_0 \subset G_0 \subset \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_0 \subset \mathcal{F}\text{-int } \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } U$.

Taking $V = G_0$, we have the desired result.

4. We next prove the equivalence of semi normality of a topological space (X, \mathcal{F}) with semi regularity of the hyperspace $(2^X, 2^{\mathcal{F}})$.

THEOREM 2. For a T_1 -space (X, \mathcal{F}) the following are equivalent

- (i) (X, \mathcal{F}) is semi normal,
- (ii) $(2^X, 2^{\mathcal{F}})$ is semi regular.

PROOF. Assume that (X, \mathcal{F}) is semi normal. Let $F_0 \in 2^X$ and \mathcal{U} an $2^{\mathcal{F}}$ -open set containing F_0 . We have to show that there exists a $2^{\mathcal{F}}$ -open set \mathcal{V} such

that

$$F_0 \in \mathcal{V} \subset 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-int } 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } \mathcal{V} \subset \mathcal{U}.$$

Without loss of generality, we may assume that \mathcal{U} is a $2^{\mathcal{F}}$ -basic open set i. e. $\mathcal{U} = B(G_0, G_1, G_2, \dots, G_n)$ for some \mathcal{F} -open sets

$$G_0, G_1, G_2, \dots, G_n.$$

Since $F_0 \in \mathcal{U}$, we have $F_0 \subset G$ and $F_0 \cap G_i \neq \emptyset$ for $i=1, 2, \dots, n$. Assume that

$$q_i \in F_0 \cap G_i \text{ for } i=1, 2, \dots, n.$$

By semi normality of (X, \mathcal{F}) , there exist \mathcal{F} -open sets U_0, U_1, \dots, U_n such that

$$F_0 \subset U_0 \subset \mathcal{F}\text{-int } \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } U_0 \subset G_0$$

and

$$q_i \in U_i \subset \mathcal{F}\text{-int } \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } U_i \subset G_i \text{ for } i=1, 2, \dots, n.$$

Define

$$\mathcal{V} = B(U_0, U_1, \dots, U_n).$$

Then by Lemma 1(b)

$$\begin{aligned} 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-int } 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } \mathcal{V} &= 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-int } 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } B(U_0, U_1, \dots, U_n) \\ &= B(\mathcal{F}\text{-int } \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } U_0, \dots, \mathcal{F}\text{-int } \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } U_n) \\ &\subset B(G_0, G_1, \dots, G_n) \subset \mathcal{U}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$F_0 \in \mathcal{V} \subset 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-int } 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } \mathcal{V} \subset \mathcal{U}.$$

Conversely let $(2^X, 2^{\mathcal{F}})$ be semi regular. Let F_0 be a closed set and U an \mathcal{F} -open set containing F_0 . Then $F_0 \in B(U)$. By semi regularity of $(2^X, 2^{\mathcal{F}})$ there exists a $2^{\mathcal{F}}$ -basic open set $B(G_0, G_1, \dots, G_n)$ such that

$$F_0 \in B(G_0, G_1, \dots, G_n) \subset 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-int } 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } B(G_0, G_1, \dots, G_n) \subset B(U)$$

$$\text{or } F_0 \in B(G_0, G_1, \dots, G_n) \subset B(\mathcal{F}\text{-int } \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_0, \dots, \mathcal{F}\text{-int } \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_n) \subset B(U).$$

Then, obviously $F_0 \subset G_0 \subset \mathcal{F}\text{-int } \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_0 \subset U$ the last relationship following from Lemma 1(a).

We can now deduce the well known theorem (2, pages 170–171) namely a T_1 -space (X, \mathcal{F}) is normal if and only if $(2^X, 2^{\mathcal{F}})$ is regular.

COROLLARY 1. For a T_1 -space (X, \mathcal{F}) the following are equivalent

- (i) (X, \mathcal{F}) is normal
- (ii) $(2^X, 2^{\mathcal{F}})$ is regular.

PROOF. It is known that a space is regular if and only if it is semi regular and almost regular [4] and it is normal if and only if it is semi normal and almost normal [5]. The proof is obvious in view of Theorems 1 and 2.

5. We next consider the hyperspace $(C(X), 2^{\mathcal{F}})$ and see how far the separation properties almost regularity and semi regularity are carried over from the space (X, \mathcal{F}) to $(C(X), 2^{\mathcal{F}})$ and vice versa.

LEMMA 2. *If (X, \mathcal{F}) is almost regular, then given a compact set A and an open set U containing it, there exists an open set V such that $A \subset U \subset \text{Cl } U \subset \text{Int } \text{cl } V$.*

PROOF. The proof is similar to the corresponding result for compact sets in regular spaces.

THEOREM 3. *A topological space (X, \mathcal{F}) is almost regular if and only if $(C(X), 2^{\mathcal{F}})$ is almost regular.*

PROOF. Let (X, \mathcal{F}) be almost regular. Let $F_0 \in C(X)$ and $\mathcal{U} = B(G_0, G_1, \dots, G_n)$ be a $2^{\mathcal{F}}$ -basic open set containing F_0 . Then $F_0 \subset G_0$ and $F_0 \cap G_i \neq \phi$ for $i=1, 2, \dots, n$. Assume $q_i \in F_0 \cap G_i$ for $i=1, 2, \dots, n$. By Lemma 2, there exists an \mathcal{F} -open set U_0 such that

$$F_0 \subset U_0 \subset \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } U_0 \subset \mathcal{F}\text{-int } \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_0 .$$

By almost regularity of X , there exist open sets U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n such that

$$q_i \in U_i \subset \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } U_i \subset \mathcal{F}\text{-int } \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_i \text{ for } i=1, 2, \dots, n.$$

Then by a similar argument as in Theorem 1, We have

$$F_0 \in B(U_0, U_1, \dots, U_n) \subset 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } B(U_0, U_1, \dots, U_n) \subset 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-int } 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } \mathcal{U} .$$

Conversely assume $(C(X), 2^{\mathcal{F}})$ is almost regular. Let $x_0 \in U$, U a \mathcal{F} -open set. Then $\{x_0\}$ is compact and $\{x_0\} \in B(U)$. Hence there exists a $2^{\mathcal{F}}$ -basic open set $B(G_0, G_1, \dots, G_n)$ such that

$$\{x_0\} \in B(G_0, G_1, \dots, G_n) \subset 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } B(G_0, \dots, G_n) \subset 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-int } 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } B(U).$$

Then obviously (See Theorem 1)

$$x_0 \in G_0 \subset \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_0 \subset \mathcal{F}\text{-int } \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } U.$$

THEOREM 4. *If $(C(X), 2^{\mathcal{F}})$ is semi regular then (X, \mathcal{F}) is semi regular.*

PROOF. Let $x_0 \in U$, U a \mathcal{F} -open set. Then $\{x_0\} \in C(X)$ and $\{x_0\} \in B(U)$.

By semi regularity of $C(X)$ there exists a basic open set $B(G_0, G_1, \dots, G_n)$ such that

$$\{x_0\} \in B(G_0, G_1, \dots, G_n) \subset 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-int } 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } B(G_0, G_1, \dots, G_n) \subset B(U).$$

Then obviously

$$x_0 \in G_0 \subset \mathcal{F}\text{-int } \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_0 \subset U.$$

6. Lastly we consider the property of a space being an E_1 -space.

THEOREM 5. For a T_1 -space (X, \mathcal{F}) , (X, \mathcal{F}) is an E_1 -space if $(2^X, 2^{\mathcal{F}})$ is an E_1 -space.

PROOF. Let $x_0 \in X$. Since (X, \mathcal{F}) is T_1 , $\{x_0\} \in 2^X$. By hypothesis there exist a countable number of $2^{\mathcal{F}}$ -basic open neighbourhoods $B(G_0^i, G_1^i, \dots, G_{n_i}^i)$ i varying from 1 to ∞ of $\{x_0\}$ such that

$$\{x_0\} = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } B(G_0^i, G_1^i, \dots, G_{n_i}^i).$$

Define for each i from 1 to ∞

$$G_i = G_0^i \cap G_1^i \cap \dots \cap G_{n_i}^i.$$

Then each G_i is a \mathcal{F} -open neighbourhood of x_0 . We claim that

$$\{x_0\} = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_i.$$

For if $t \neq x_0$ belongs to $\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}\text{-cl } G_i$, then obviously $\{t\} \in 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } B(G_0^i, G_1^i, \dots, G_{n_i}^i)$ for each i from 1 to ∞ and hence

$$\{t\} \in \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} 2^{\mathcal{F}}\text{-cl } B(G_0^i, G_1^i, \dots, G_{n_i}^i)$$

a contradiction.

COROLLARY 2. A topological space (X, \mathcal{F}) is an E_1 -space if the hyperspace $(C(X), 2^{\mathcal{F}})$ is an E_1 -space.

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