

A NOTE ON SOME PROPERTIES OF DOUBLE TOPOLOGICAL OPERATIONS AND NEARLY OPEN SETS

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Abstract: The aim of this paper is to study some topological double operations $\{(A^\circ)^\circ, (A^\circ)^E, (A^\circ)^b, (A^E)^\circ, \dots\}$ and to obtain the interrelationships between these operations. We also study and investigate new properties of nearly open sets and introduce some conditions to strengthen semi pre-open (pre-closed) sets to be open (closed).

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1. Introduction

This paper consists of preliminaries (Section 2) and two basic sections. Section 3 studies the relationships between double operations, and by using these relationships we prove that $E(P^\circ)^s$, $E(P^E)^s$, and $E(P^b)^s$ form a partition of whole space X (or fewer when one or more of these elements of each set is nonempty) in spite of $E(P)^s$ form a partition of X . The concepts of semiopen (semiclosed), pre-open (pre-closed), and regular open (regular closed) were introduced and studied, respectively in [3],[4],[5], and [6].

In Section 4 we rewrite Definition 2.3 using the properties of double operations, and provide also some theorems and remarks on this subject.

2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper (X, τ) denotes the topological space, \overline{A} is the closure of A , A° is the interior of A , A^E is the exterior of A , A^b is the boundary of A , and A^C is the complement of A .

Definition 1. ([1]) Let X be a nonempty set. By a partition p of X we mean a set of nonempty subsets of X such that:

1. If $A, B \in P$ and $A \neq B$, then $A \cap B = \emptyset$.
2. $\bigcup_{c \in P} c = X$.

Definition 2. ([2]) The partition topology is a topology that can be induced on any set X by partitioning X into disjoint subsets P , these subsets form the basis for the topology.

Definition 3. A subset U of a topological space (X, τ) is said to be:

1. Semiopen set if $U \subseteq \overline{U^\circ}$.
2. Semiclosed set if $\overline{U}^\circ \subseteq U$.
3. Preopen set if $U \subseteq \overline{U}^\circ$.
4. Preclosed set if $\overline{U^\circ} \subseteq U$.
5. Regular open set if $U = \overline{U}^\circ$.
6. Regular closed if $U = \overline{U^\circ}$.
7. α -open set if $U \subseteq (\overline{U^\circ})^\circ$.
8. α -closed set if $\overline{\overline{U}^\circ} \subseteq U$.

Theorem 1. ([9]) Let (X, τ) be a topological space and let $A \subseteq X$. Then

1. $A^\circ = (\overline{(A^c)})^c$.
2. $\overline{A} = ((A^c)^\circ)^c$.

Remark 1. Using the same assumptions of the previous theorem it follows:

$$A^E = (A^c)^\circ = (\overline{A})^c. \quad (1)$$

Theorem 2. ([8]) Let (X, τ) be a topological space and let $A \subseteq X$. Then:

1. $A^b = \overline{A} \cap \overline{(A)^c}$
2. $\overline{(A \cup B)} = \overline{A} \cup \overline{B}$
3. $(A \cap B)^\circ = A^\circ \cap B^\circ$.

Proposition 1. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and let $A \subseteq X$. Then:

1. A is clopen set if and only if $A^b = \emptyset$
2. $A^b = (A^c)^b$
3. $(\overline{A})^b \subseteq A^b$.
4. $(A \cap B)^b \subseteq A^b \cup B^b$.

Proof. 1. If A is clopen, then $A^b = \overline{A} \cap \overline{(A)^c} = A \cap A^c = \emptyset$. Conversely, if $A^b = \overline{A} \cap \overline{(A)^c} = \emptyset$, then $\overline{A} \subseteq \left(\overline{(A)^c}\right)^c = A^\circ$, using Remark 1 it follows $A \subseteq \overline{A} \subseteq A^\circ \subseteq A$, which implies that A is clopen.

2. It is clear, from Theorem 2, Part 1.

3. $(\overline{A})^b = \overline{A} \cap \overline{(\overline{A})^c} \subseteq \overline{A} \cap \overline{(A)^c} = A^b$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (A \cap B)^b &= (\overline{A \cap B}) \cap \overline{(A \cap B)^c} \\
 &= (\overline{A \cap B}) \cap \overline{(A^c \cap B^c)} \\
 4. \quad &\subseteq (\overline{A \cap B}) \cap \overline{(A^c \cap B^c)} \\
 &= (\overline{A \cap B} \cap \overline{A^c}) \cup (\overline{A \cap B} \cap \overline{B^c}) \\
 &= (\overline{A^b} \cap \overline{B}) \cup (\overline{A} \cap \overline{B^b}) \subseteq A^b \cup B^b
 \end{aligned}$$

□

Theorem 3. ([8]) Let (X, τ) be a topological space and let $A \subseteq X$. Then:

1. A is open if and only if $A^b \cap A = \emptyset$.
2. A is closed if and only if $A^b \subseteq A$.

3. Double topological operations

Definition 4. Let $P = \{A^\circ, A^E, A^b\}$ be the partition of the space X , and $E(P)^s$ denote the elements of P . Define:

$$\begin{aligned} P^\circ &= \{(A^\circ)^\circ, (A^\circ)^E, (A^\circ)^b\}, \\ P^E &= \{(A^E)^\circ, (A^E)^E, (A^E)^b\}, \\ P^b &= \{(A^b)^\circ, (A^b)^E, (A^b)^b\}, \end{aligned}$$

with elements of P° , P^E , and P^b , denoted by $E(P^\circ)^s$, $E(P^E)^s$, and $E(P^b)^s$ respectively.

In this section we study the relationships between double operations. Using these relationships we prove that $E(P^\circ)^s$, $E(P^E)^s$, and $E(P^b)^s$ form a partition of the space X (or fewer, when one or more element of each set is nonempty). Besides, $E(P)^s$ forms a partition of X as follows:

Lemma 1. *Let (X, τ) be a topological space and let $A \subseteq X$. Then X can be expressed as disjoint union of elements of P , i.e $X = A^\circ \cup A^E \cup A^b$, that is $E(P)^s$ form a partition of X .*

Proof. We have $X = A^b \cup (A^b)^c$, but

$$A^b = \overline{A} \cap \overline{A^c} = ((\overline{A})^c \cup (\overline{A^c})^c)^c = (A^E \cup A^\circ)^c,$$

by Theorem 1 and Remark 1, the complement of both sides gives $(A^b)^c = A^E \cup A^\circ$. Clearly $X = A^\circ \cup A^E \cup A^b$. To show that these elements are mutually disjoint, we have:

$$A^\circ \cap A^E = A^\circ \cap (A^c)^\circ = (A \cap A^c)^\circ = \emptyset^\circ = \emptyset,$$

$$A^\circ \cap A^b = (\overline{A^c})^c \cap \overline{A} \cap \overline{A^c} = \overline{A} \cap ((\overline{A^c})^c \cap \overline{A^c}) = \overline{A} \cap \emptyset = \emptyset,$$

with $A^E \cap A^b = (\overline{A})^c \cap \overline{A} \cap \overline{A^c} = \overline{A^c} \cap ((\overline{A})^c \cap \overline{A}) = \overline{A^c} \cap \emptyset = \emptyset$. Hence $E(P)^s$ form a partition of X . \square

Lemma 2. $((A^\circ)^c)^\circ = ((\overline{A^\circ})^c)^\circ = ((\overline{A})^c)^\circ$.

Proof. Since $(A^\circ)^c = \overline{(A^c)}$, then $((A^\circ)^c)^\circ = \left(\overline{(A^c)}\right)^\circ$, and as

$\overline{A} = ((A^c)^\circ)^c$, then $\overline{A^\circ} = (((A^\circ)^c)^\circ)^c$, it follows $\left(\overline{(A^\circ)}\right)^\circ = ((A^\circ)^c)^\circ$.

□

Theorem 4. *Let (X, τ) be a topological space and let $A \subseteq X$. Then:*

	A°	A^E	A^b
A°	$(A^\circ)^\circ = A^\circ$	$(A^\circ)^E = \left(\overline{(A^c)}\right)^\circ \subseteq (A^\circ)^c$	$(A^\circ)^b = \overline{(A^\circ)} \cap \overline{(A^c)} \subseteq A^b$
A^E	$(A^E)^\circ = A^E$	$(A^E)^E = \left(\overline{A}\right)^\circ$	$(A^E)^b = \left(\overline{A}\right)^b \subseteq A^b$
A^b	$(A^b)^\circ = \left(\overline{A}\right)^\circ \cap ((A^\circ)^c)^\circ$ $= \left(\overline{A}\right)^\circ \cap \left(\overline{(A^\circ)}\right)^c$ $= \left(\overline{A}\right)^\circ \cap \left(\overline{(A^c)}\right)^\circ \subseteq A^b$	$(A^b)^E = (A^\circ \cup A^E)^\circ$ $= (A^b)^c = A^\circ \cup A^E$	$(A^b)^b = \overline{(A^\circ \cup A^E)} \cap A^b \subseteq A^b$

Proof. 1. $(A^\circ)^\circ = A^\circ$, since A° is an open set.

2. $(A^E)^\circ = ((A^c)^\circ)^\circ = (A^c)^\circ = A^E$.

3. $(A^\circ)^E = ((A^\circ)^c)^\circ = \left(\overline{(A^c)}\right)^\circ$

$$\subseteq \overline{(A^c)} = (A^\circ)^c.$$

4. $(A^E)^E = ((A^E)^c)^\circ = \left(\overline{(\overline{A})^c}\right)^\circ = \left(\overline{A}\right)^\circ$.

5.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (A^b)^\circ &= \left(\overline{A} \cap \overline{(A^c)}\right)^\circ \\
 &= \left(\overline{A}\right)^\circ \cap \left(\overline{(A^c)}\right)^\circ \subseteq \overline{A} \cap \overline{(A^c)} = A^b \\
 &= \left(\overline{A}\right)^\circ \cap ((A^\circ)^c)^\circ, \text{ by Lemma 3,} \\
 &= \left(\overline{A}\right)^\circ \cap \left(\overline{(A^\circ)}\right)^c, \text{ by Lemma 3.}
 \end{aligned}$$

6. $(A^\circ)^b = \overline{A^\circ} \cap \overline{(A^\circ)^c} = \overline{A^\circ} \cap (A^\circ)^c$, but $\overline{A^\circ} \subseteq \overline{A}$, $(A^\circ)^c = \overline{A^c}$, then $(A^\circ)^b \subseteq \overline{A} \cap \overline{(A^c)} = A^b$.

7. $(A^E)^b = ((\overline{A})^c)^b = (\overline{A})^b \subseteq A^b$.

8.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (A^b)^E &= ((A^b)^c)^\circ = \left(\overline{(\overline{A} \cap \overline{A^c})}\right)^\circ \\
 &= \left(\overline{A}^c \cup \left(\overline{A^c}\right)^c\right)^\circ = (A^\circ \cup A^E)^\circ \supseteq A^\circ \cup A^E = (A^b)^c.
 \end{aligned}$$

But we have:

$$(A^\circ \cup A^E)^\circ \subseteq A^\circ \cup A^E, \text{ then } (A^b)^E = (A^E \cup A^\circ)^\circ = A^E \cup A^\circ = (A^b)^c.$$

9. $(A^b)^b = (\overline{A} \cap \overline{A^c})^b \subseteq (\overline{A})^b \cup (\overline{A^c})^b \subseteq A^b \cup (A^c)^b = A^b \cup A^b = A^b$. Hence $(A^b)^b \subseteq A^b$, and clearly $(A^b)^b = \overline{A^b} \cap \overline{(A^b)^c} = A^b \cap \overline{(A^E \cup A^\circ)}$. □

Remark 2. We have $(A^E)^\circ \subseteq (A^\circ)^E$ but the converse is not true.

Since $A^\circ \subseteq A$ it follows that $(A^E)^\circ \subseteq (A^\circ)^E$. Or by

$$A^E = (\overline{A})^c \subseteq A^c \subseteq (A^\circ)^c, \text{ then } (A^E)^\circ = A^E \subseteq ((A^\circ)^c)^\circ = (A^\circ)^E.$$

The following example shows that the converse is not true.

Example 1. Consider $A = [1, 2] \subseteq X = \mathbb{R}$ with co-countable topology, then $A^\circ = A^E = \emptyset$, but $(A^\circ)^E = (\emptyset)^E = X$

$$\Rightarrow (A^\circ)^E \neq A^\circ, (A^\circ)^E \neq A^\circ \\ \text{and } (A^\circ)^E \not\subseteq (A^E)^\circ.$$

Remark 3. $(A^\circ)^E$ needs not to be the same as A^E or A° , in spite if A^E is an open set.

Remark 4.

$$A^\circ \subseteq (A^E)^E \subseteq \overline{A}. \quad (2)$$

Since

$$(\overline{A})^\circ = (A^E)^E \subseteq \overline{A} \quad (3)$$

and

$$A^E \subseteq A^c, \text{ then } (A^c)^E = A^\circ \subseteq (A^E)^E. \quad (4)$$

Now by combining (3) and (4), we get

Remark 5. $(A^b)^\circ = (A^E)^E \cap (A^\circ)^E$.

This follows obviously from part (3) and part (4). Also we have

$$(A^b)^\circ = (A^E)^E \cap (A^\circ)^E = (A^E \cup A^\circ)^E = \left((A^b)^c \right)^E.$$

Corollary 1. *From Theorem 1 we have the following results:*

1.

$$(A^b)^\circ = (A^E)^E \cap (A^\circ)^E. \quad (5)$$

Remark 4 implies that $(A^b)^\circ \subseteq (A^E)^E, (A^b)^\circ \subseteq (A^\circ)^E$.

2. $(A^E)^\circ \subseteq (A^b)^E$ is obvious from Theorem 1, parts 2 and 8.

3. Since $(A^b)^\circ = (\overline{A})^\circ \cap ((A^\circ)^c)^\circ$ and $(A^\circ)^b = \overline{A^\circ} \cap (A^\circ)^c$ which implies that $(A^b)^\circ \subseteq (\overline{A})^\circ = (A^E)^E$ and $(A^\circ)^b \subseteq \overline{A^\circ}$.

Note 1. $\overline{A^\circ} = (((A^\circ)^c)^\circ)^c$ and $(\overline{A})^\circ = \left(\overline{((\overline{A})^c)} \right)^c$.

Note 2. It is easy to show that $(A^\circ)^b \subseteq \overline{A^\circ} = (((A^\circ)^c)^\circ)^c = \left((A^\circ)^E \right)^c$.

Theorem 5. 1. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and let $A \subseteq X$. Then X can be expressed as disjoint union of elements of P° (or simply $X = (A^\circ)^\circ \cup (A^\circ)^E \cup (A^\circ)^b$), that is $E(P^\circ)^s$ form a partition of X .

2. X can be expressed as disjoint union of elements of P^E , or simply $X = (A^E)^\circ \cup (A^E)^E \cup (A^E)^b$, or $E(P^E)^s$ form a partition of X .

3. X can be expressed as disjoint union of elements of P^b , or simply $X = (A^b)^\circ \cup (A^b)^E \cup (A^b)^b$, or $E(P^b)^s$ form a partition of X .

Proof. Using Lemma 1, we prove the above theorem in an alternative method, that is, by using the properties of double operations as follows:

1. To prove that $E(P^\circ)^s$ form a partition of the space X (or fewer when one element or more is nonempty). We have

$$\begin{aligned} X &= (A^\circ)^b \cup \left((A^\circ)^b \right)^c = (A^\circ)^b \cup (\overline{A^\circ} \cap \overline{A^c})^c \\ &= (A^\circ)^b \cup \left((\overline{A^\circ})^c \cup (\overline{A^c})^c \right) = (A^\circ)^b \cup \left((A^\circ)^E \cup A^\circ \right), \\ &= (A^\circ)^b \cup (A^\circ)^E \cup (A^\circ)^\circ \end{aligned}$$

where $E(P^\circ)^s$ are mutually disjoint for:

$$(A^\circ)^\circ \cap (A^\circ)^E = A^\circ \cap (\overline{A^c})^\circ \subseteq A^\circ \cap (\overline{A^c}) = A^\circ \cap (A^\circ)^c = \emptyset.$$

And since $A^\circ \subseteq \overline{A^\circ}$, $\overline{A^c} = (A^\circ)^c$, then

$$(A^\circ)^\circ \cap (A^\circ)^b = A^\circ \cap (\overline{A^\circ}) \cap (\overline{A^c}) \subseteq A^\circ \cap (A^\circ)^c = \emptyset,$$

$$(A^\circ)^E \cap (A^\circ)^b = (\overline{A^c})^\circ \cap (\overline{A^\circ}) \cap (\overline{A^c}) \subseteq (\overline{A^c})^\circ \cap ((\overline{A^c})^\circ)^c = \emptyset.$$

Or using Corollary 1, part (4), it shows that $E(P^\circ)^s$ form a partition of X .

2. To prove that $E(P^E)^s$ form a partition of X :

$$\begin{aligned} X &= (A^E)^b \cup ((A^E)^b)^c = (A^E)^b \cup (\overline{A} \cap \overline{(A^E)^b})^c \\ &= (A^E)^b \cup ((\overline{A})^c \cup ((\overline{A})^c)^c) = (A^E)^b \cup (A^E \cup (\overline{A})^\circ) \\ &= (A^E)^b \cup (A^E)^\circ \cup (A^E)^E. \end{aligned}$$

Also we have the following:

$$(A^E)^\circ \cap (A^E)^E = (\overline{A})^c \cap (\overline{A})^\circ \subseteq \overline{(\overline{A})^c} \cap ((\overline{A})^c)^c = \emptyset,$$

$$(A^E)^\circ \cap (A^E)^b = (\overline{A})^c \cap \overline{(\overline{A})^c} \cap \overline{A} \subseteq (\overline{A})^c \cap \overline{A} = \emptyset,$$

$$(A^E)^E \cap (A^E)^b = (\overline{A})^\circ \cap \overline{(\overline{A})^c} \cap \overline{A} = ((\overline{A})^c)^\circ \cap \overline{(\overline{A})^c} \cap \overline{A} = \emptyset \cap \overline{A} = \emptyset.$$

Hence $E(P^E)^s$ form a partition of X .

3. We have the following:

$$\begin{aligned} X &= (A^b)^b \cup ((A^b)^b)^c = (A^b)^b \cup (A^b \cap \overline{(A^E \cup A^\circ)})^c \\ &= (A^b)^b \cup ((A^b)^c \cup (A^E \cup A^\circ)^E) \\ &= (A^b)^b \cup ((A^b)^c \cup ((A^E)^E \cap (A^\circ)^E)) \\ &= (A^b)^b \cup (A^b)^E \cup (A^b)^\circ. \end{aligned}$$

Now to show that $E(P^b)^s$ are mutually disjoint, we have:

$$(A^b)^\circ \cap (A^b)^E \subseteq A^b \cap (A^b)^c = \emptyset$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(A^b)^\circ \cap (A^b)^b &= (\overline{A})^\circ \cap (\overline{A^c})^\circ \cap \left(A^b \cap \overline{(A^E \cup A^\circ)} \right) \\
&= (\overline{A})^\circ \cap (\overline{A^c})^\circ \cap \left(A^b \cap \overline{(A^E \cup A^\circ)} \right) \\
&= (\overline{A})^\circ \cap (\overline{A^c})^\circ \cap \left(A^b \cap \overline{(\overline{A^c})^c \cup (\overline{A})^c} \right) \\
&\subseteq (\overline{A})^\circ \cap (\overline{A^c})^\circ \cap \left((\overline{A^c})^c \cup (\overline{A})^c \right) \\
&= (\overline{A})^\circ \cap (\overline{A^c})^\circ \cap \left(((\overline{A^c})^\circ)^c \cup ((\overline{A})^\circ)^c \right) \\
&\subseteq ((\overline{A})^\circ \cap (\overline{A^c})^\circ \cap (\overline{A^c})^\circ)^c \\
&\quad \cup ((\overline{A})^\circ \cap (\overline{A^c})^\circ \cap (\overline{A})^\circ)^c \\
&\subseteq ((\overline{A})^\circ \cap \emptyset) \cup ((\overline{A^c})^\circ \cap \emptyset) = \emptyset. \\
(A^b)^E \cap (A^b)^b &= (A^b)^c \cap (A^b \cap \overline{(A^b)^c}) = \emptyset \cap \overline{(A^b)^c} = \emptyset.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence $E(P^b)^s$ form a partition of X .

□

4. Semiopen, preopen, and α -open sets

In this section we redefine Definition 3 by means of the properties of double operations, also we provide some theorems and remarks on this subject.

Definition 5. A subset U of a topological space (X, τ) is said to be:

1. Semiopen set if $U \subseteq (U^{\circ E})^c$.
2. Semiclosed if $U^{EE} \subseteq U$.
3. Preopen set if $U \subseteq U^{EE}$.
4. Preclosed if $(U^{\circ E})^c \subseteq U$.
5. Regular open if $U = U^{EE}$.
6. Regular closed if $U = (U^{\circ E})^c$.
7. α -open set if $U \subseteq (U^\circ)^{EE}$.
8. α -closed set if $\overline{U^{EE}} \subseteq U$.

Remark 6. 1. If A is semiclosed set, then $(A^b)^\circ \subseteq A$.

2. If A a preclosed set, then $(A^\circ)^b \subseteq A$.

Proof. It is obvious by Corollary 1. □

Theorem 6. Let (X, τ) be a topological space, and let $A \subseteq X$. If A is closed set subset of X , then:

1. $A^{EE} = A^\circ$.
2. $(A^E)^b = A^b$, therefore $(A^E)^b \subseteq A$.
3. $(A^E)^\circ = A^c$
4. $(A^b)^E = A^{EE} \cup (A^E)^\circ$.

Proof. 1. $A^{EE} = (\overline{A})^\circ$, but A is closed set, then $\overline{A} = A$. Thus $A^{EE} = A^\circ$.

2. $(A^E)^b = \overline{A^E}^b = A^b$, since A closed implies that $A^b \subseteq A$, thus $(A^E)^b = A^b \subseteq A$.

3. $(A^E)^\circ = A^E = (\overline{A})^c = A^c$.

4. $(A^b)^E = A^\circ \cup A^E = A^\circ \cup (\overline{A})^c = A^\circ \cup A^c = A^{EE} \cup (A^E)^\circ$. □

Theorem 7. Let $A \subseteq X$ be any open subset of the space X , then A contains none of its boundary interior points.

Proof. et A be an open subset of X , we want to prove that $(A^\circ)^b \cap A = \emptyset$. Since $(A^\circ)^b \cap A = \overline{A^\circ} \cap \overline{A^c} \cap A = \overline{A} \cap \overline{A^c} \cap A$, so $(A^\circ)^b \cap A = A^b \cap A = \emptyset$. □

Remark 7. The converse of above theorem is not true, as shown in the next example.

Example 2. Consider $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, with

$$\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{1, 2\}, \{3\}, \{1, 2, 3\}\}.$$

Take $A = \{1, 4\}$, then $A^\circ = \emptyset$, and $(A^\circ)^b = (\emptyset)^b = \emptyset \subseteq A$, but A is not open set.

Theorem 8. *Let A be a semiopen set and $(A^\circ)^b \cap A = \emptyset$, then A is open set.*

Proof. If $A = \emptyset$, then A is open set, suppose that $A \neq \emptyset$ which implies that there exists $x \in A \Rightarrow x \notin (A^\circ)^b = \overline{(A^\circ)} \cap \overline{A^c}$, thus either $x \notin \overline{(A^\circ)}$ or $x \notin \overline{A^c}$. If $x \notin \overline{(A^\circ)} \Rightarrow x \notin A$.

Thus $x \notin \overline{(A^c)}$, then $x \in \left(\overline{(A^c)}\right)^c = A^\circ$. Hence A is open set. \square

Corollary 2. *A is open set if and only if A is semiopen set and $(A^\circ)^b \cap A = \emptyset$.*

Proof. It follows by Theorem 2 and Theorem 3. It is clear that every open set is semiopen set. \square

Theorem 9. *Let A be an open set, then $(A^\circ)^E = A^E$.*

Proof. $(A^\circ)^E = (\overline{A^c})^\circ = (\overline{A^c})^c = (\overline{A})^c = A^E$. \square

Remark 8. The converse of the previous theorem is not true.

Example 3. Let $A = \{3, 4\}$, then $A^E = \left(\overline{\{3, 4\}}\right)^c = (\{3, 4\})^c = \{1, 2\}$.

And $(A^\circ)^E = \left(\overline{\{1, 2\}}\right)^\circ = \{1, 2, 4\}^\circ = \{1, 2\}$, thus $(A^\circ)^E = A^E$, but A is not open set.

Theorem 10. *If $(A^\circ)^E = A^E$, then*

1. A is semiopen set.
2. $(A^\circ)^b = A^b$.

Proof. 1. Since $(A^\circ)^E = A^E$, then $\left(\overline{A^c}\right)^\circ = (\overline{A^c})^c = (\overline{A})^c$. Thus $(\overline{A^\circ}) = \overline{A}$, but always $A \subseteq \overline{A}$, then $A \subseteq (\overline{A^\circ}) = \overline{A}$. Hence A is semiopen set by Definition 3, (1).

2. $(A^\circ)^b = \overline{A^\circ} \cap \overline{A^c} = \overline{A} \cap \overline{A^c} = A^b$.

□

Theorem 11. *If A is closed then:*

1. $(A^b)^\circ \subseteq A$.
2. $(A^\circ)^b \subseteq A$.
3. $(A^E)^b \subseteq A$.
4. $(A^b)^b \subseteq A$.

Proof. Let A be closed, and since $(A^b)^\circ \subseteq A^b$, then $(A^b)^\circ \subseteq A$. The same follows for the other parts 2., 3., and 4. □

Remark 9. The converse of part 2., Theorem 11 is not true.

Example 4. Take $A = \{1, 4\} \subseteq X = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ with topology $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{1, 2\}, \{3\}, \{1, 2, 3\}\}$, then $(A^\circ)^b = (\{1, 4\}^\circ)^b = (\emptyset)^b = \emptyset \subseteq A$, but A is not closed in X .

Theorem 12. *If $(A^b)^E = \emptyset$, then:*

1. $A^\circ = A^E = \emptyset$.
2. $A^b = (A^\circ)^E = (A^b)^\circ = X$.
3. $(A^E)^\circ = (A^\circ)^b = (A^b)^b = \emptyset$.

Proof. 1. If $(A^b)^E = \emptyset$, then $(A^b)^c = \emptyset$, hence $A^b = X$. Therefore $A^\circ = A^E = \emptyset$.

$$2. (A^\circ)^E = (\overline{A^\circ})^c = (\overline{\emptyset})^c = X.$$

$$\text{With } (A^b)^\circ = (\overline{A})^\circ \cap (\overline{A^c})^\circ = (X)^\circ = X.$$

$$3. (A^\circ)^b = (\emptyset)^b = \emptyset, \text{ and } (A^b)^b = (X)^b = \emptyset.$$

□

Theorem 13. *If A is clopen subset of X , then:*

1. $(A^b)^b = (A^b)^\circ = (A^E)^b = \emptyset$, and $(A^b)^E = X$.
2. $(A^\circ)^E = (A^E)^\circ = A^c$, $(A^E)^E = A$, and therefore the set $\{A^{EE}, A^{E^\circ}\}$ forms a partition of X .
3. A is regular clopen.
4. $(A^b)^E$ is dense in X .

Proof. 1. Since A is clopen which implies that $A^b = \emptyset$, but $(A^b)^b, (A^b)^\circ$ and $(A^E)^b \subseteq A^b = \emptyset$, the claim follows.

Also, $(A^b)^E = (\emptyset)^c = X$.

2. Since A is clopen we have $(A^E)^\circ = A^E = (\overline{A})^c = A^c$ and hence its clopen, and $(A^\circ)^E = (\overline{A^c})^\circ = (A^c)^\circ = A^c$. Also we have $(A^E)^E = (\overline{A})^\circ = A^\circ = A$. Clearly $\{A^{EE}, A^{E^\circ}\}$ forms a partition of X .
3. Since A is clopen, we have $(\overline{A})^\circ = A^\circ = A$, then A is regular open and $(\overline{A^\circ}) = \overline{A} = A$, so A is regular closed. Hence A is regular clopen.
4. $\overline{(A^b)^E} = \overline{(A^b)^c} = \overline{X} = X$. Thus $(A^b)^E$ is a dense in X .

□

Theorem 14. If $(A^b)^b = \emptyset$, then $(A^b)^\circ = A^b$ and hence A^b is clopen.

Proof. Since

$$(A^b)^b = A^b \cap \overline{(A^b)^c} = \emptyset, \text{ then } A^b \subseteq \left(\overline{(A^b)^c}\right)^c = (A^b)^\circ, \quad (6)$$

but $(A^b)^\circ \subseteq A^b$, so $(A^b)^\circ = A^b$. Also from (6) A^b is an open set, but A^b is also closed, thus A^b is clopen. □

Remark 10. If $A^{bb} = \emptyset$ and $(A^b)^\circ \subseteq A$, then A is closed.

Proof. By the above theorem, $(A^b)^b = \emptyset$, then $(A^b)^\circ = A^b \subseteq A$ which implies that A is closed. □

Lemma 3. If $(A^E)^b = \emptyset$. Then :

1. $(A^E)^E = (A^E)^c$.
2. \overline{A} is clopen, and hence A^E is clopen.
3. If A is a semiopen set, then A is an α -open set.
4. A is a preopen set.
5. A^b is clopen.

Proof. 1. $(A^E)^b = \emptyset$, so $(\overline{A})^b = \overline{A} \cap \overline{(\overline{A})^c} = \emptyset$, which implies that $\overline{A} \subseteq \left(\overline{(\overline{A})^c}\right)^c = (\overline{A})^\circ$, but $(\overline{A})^\circ \subseteq \overline{A}$. Thus $(\overline{A})^\circ = (A^E)^E = \overline{A} = (A^E)^c$.

2. We have $(\overline{A})^\circ = \overline{A}$, then \overline{A} is open, but it is also closed, hence \overline{A} is clopen. Where $A^E = (\overline{A})^c$; consequently, A^E is a clopen set.
3. Now, As $(\overline{A})^\circ = \overline{A}$, then $(\overline{A^\circ})^\circ = \overline{A^\circ}$, since A is semiopen $A \subseteq \overline{A^\circ} = (\overline{A^\circ})^\circ$. Thus A is an α -open set.
4. Since $A \subseteq \overline{A} \subseteq \left(\overline{(\overline{A})^c}\right)^c = (\overline{A})^\circ$, this implies that A is a preopen set.
5. $(A^b)^\circ = (\overline{A})^\circ \cap (\overline{A^c})^\circ = \overline{A} \cap \overline{A^c} = A^b$, then A^b is open and it is also closed, hence it is clopen.

□

Theorem 15. If A is semiclosed subset of X , and $(A^E)^E = (A^E)^c$, then A is closed.

Proof. Since $(A^E)^E = (A^E)^c$, therefore $(\overline{A})^\circ = \overline{A} \subseteq A$. Thus A is closed.

□

Theorem 16. If $(A^\circ)^b = \emptyset$, then

1. A is preclosed subset of X .
2. A° is clopen, and hence X has a partition topology.

Proof. 1. $(A^\circ)^b = \overline{A^\circ} \cap \overline{A^c} = \emptyset$, then $\overline{A^\circ} \subseteq (\overline{A^c})^c = A^\circ \subseteq A$. Hence A is preclosed.

2. By part 1., we have $\overline{A^\circ} \subseteq A^\circ$, but it is always true that $A^\circ \subseteq \overline{A^\circ}$ gives $A^\circ = \overline{A^\circ}$ which implies that A° is closed, but it is also open. Hence it is clopen and X has a partition topology.

□

Lemma 4. *If $(A^b)^\circ = \emptyset$. Then:*

1. *Every preopen is a semiopen subset.*
2. *If A is preopen subset then A is an α -open set.*

Proof. 1. $(A^b)^\circ = (\overline{A})^\circ \cap ((A^\circ)^c)^\circ = \emptyset$, therefore $(\overline{A})^\circ \subseteq (((A^\circ)^c)^\circ)^c = \overline{A^\circ}$.

Since A is preopen, we have $A \subseteq (\overline{A})^\circ \subseteq \overline{A^\circ}$, then A is a semiopen subset.

2. By part 1., $(\overline{A})^\circ \subseteq (\overline{A^\circ})$, so $(\overline{A})^\circ \subseteq (\overline{A^\circ})^\circ$ but A is preopen subset, then $A \subseteq (\overline{A})^\circ \subseteq (\overline{A^\circ})^\circ$, thus A is an α -open subset of X .

□

Theorem 17. *If $(A^E)^E = (A^E)^c$, and $(A^b)^\circ = \emptyset$, then:*

1. *A is semiopen.*
2. *Every preclosed is closed.*

Proof. 1. By Lemma 2 we have $(A^b)^\circ = \emptyset$, then $(\overline{A})^\circ \subseteq \overline{(A^\circ)}$, and $(A^E)^E = (A^E)^c$, hence $(\overline{A})^\circ = \overline{A}$ which implies that $\overline{A} \subseteq \overline{A^\circ}$, but $A \subseteq \overline{A}$, which gives $A \subseteq \overline{A^\circ}$. Hence A is a semiopen subset of X .

2. If A is preclosed, then $\overline{A^\circ} \subseteq A$, therefore $\Rightarrow \overline{A} \subseteq \overline{A^\circ} \subseteq A$. Hence A is closed.

□

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