

Semi Open sets in bispaces

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ABSTRACT

The notions of semi open sets in a topological space were introduced by N. Levine in 1963. Here we study the same using the idea of $\tau_1(\tau_2)$ semi open sets with respect to $\tau_2(\tau_1)$, pairwise semi open sets in a more general structure of a bispaces and investigate how far several results as valid in a bitopological space are affected in bispaces.

RESUMEN

Las nociones de conjuntos semiabiertos en un espacio topológico se introdujeron por N. Levine en 1963. Aquí estudiamos lo mismo usando la idea de conjuntos semiabiertos $\tau_1(\tau_2)$ respecto de conjuntos abiertos semiabiertos dos a dos $\tau_2(\tau_1)$, en una estructura más general de biespacio e investigamos cómo varios resultados válidos en un espacio bitopológico cambian en biespacios.

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1 Introduction

The notion of a σ space or simply a space was introduced by A.D.Alexandroff [1] in 1940 generalising the idea of a topological space where only countable unions of open sets were taken to be open. In 2001 the idea of space was used by Lahiri and Das [8] to generalise the notion of a bitopological space to a bispaces. N.Levine [9] introduced the concept of semi open sets in a topological space in 1963 and this idea was generalised by S.Bose [3] in the setting of a bitopological space $(X, \mathcal{P}, \mathcal{Q})$ using the idea of $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{Q})$ semi open sets with respect to $\mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{P})$ etc. Later the same was studied in a space by Lahiri and Das [7] and they critically took the matter of generalisation in this setting. Here we have studied the concept of $\tau_1(\tau_2)$ semi open sets with respect to $\tau_2(\tau_1)$ and some other properties in the setting of a bispaces and have shown with typical examples how far several results as valid in [3] are affected in bispaces. Also we have given a necessary and sufficient condition for a bispaces to be a bitopological space in terms of $\tau_1(\tau_2)$ semi open sets with respect to $\tau_2(\tau_1)$.

2 Preliminaries

Definition 2.1. [1] A set X is called an Alexandroff space or simply a space if in it is chosen a system of subsets \mathcal{F} satisfying the following axioms:

- (1) The intersection of a countable number of sets from \mathcal{F} is a set in \mathcal{F} .
- (2) The union of a finite number of sets from \mathcal{F} is a set in \mathcal{F} .
- (3) The void set ϕ is a set in \mathcal{F} .
- (4) The whole set X is a set in \mathcal{F} .

Sets of \mathcal{F} are called closed sets. Their complementary sets are called open sets. It is clear that instead of closed set in the definition of the space, one may put open sets with subject to the condition of countable summability, finite intersectibility and the condition that X and ϕ should be open. The collection of all such open sets will sometimes be denoted by τ and the space by (X, τ) . Note that, in general τ is not a topology as can be easily seen by taking $X = \mathbb{R}$, the set of real numbers and τ as the collection of all F_σ sets in \mathbb{R} .

Definition 2.2. [1] To every set M of (X, τ) we correlate its closure $\overline{M} =$ the intersection of all closed sets containing M . Sometimes the closure of a set M will be denoted by $\tau \text{cl}M$ or simply $\text{cl}M$ when there is no confusion about τ .

Generally the closure of a set in a space is not a closed set.

From the axioms, it easily follows that

$$1) \overline{M \cup N} = \overline{M} \cup \overline{N}; \quad 2) M \subset \overline{M}; \quad 3) \overline{\overline{M}} = \overline{M}; \quad 4) \overline{\phi} = \phi.$$

Definition 2.3. [7] The interior of a set M in (X, τ) is defined as the union of all open sets contained in M and is denoted by $\tau \text{int} M$ or $\text{int} M$ when there is no confusion.

Definition 2.4. [6] A non empty set X on which are defined two arbitrary topologies \mathcal{P}, \mathcal{Q} is called a bitopological space and denoted by $(X, \mathcal{P}, \mathcal{Q})$.

Definition 2.5. [8] Let X be a nonempty set. If τ_1 and τ_2 be two collections of subsets of X such that (X, τ_1) and (X, τ_2) are two spaces, then X is called a bispace and is denoted by (X, τ_1, τ_2) .

3 Pairwise Semi Open sets

Definition 3.1. (cf. Definition 1[3]): Let (X, τ_1, τ_2) be a bispace. We say that a subset A of X is τ_1 semi open with respect to τ_2 (in short τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2) if and only if there exists a τ_1 open set O such that $O \subset A \subset \tau_2 \text{cl} O$.

Similarly $A \subset X$, is τ_2 semi open with respect to τ_1 (in short τ_2 s.o.w.r.to τ_1) if and only if there exists a τ_2 open set O such that $O \subset A \subset \tau_1 \text{cl} O$.

We say that A is pairwise semi open if and only if it is both τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 and τ_2 s.o.w.r.to τ_1 . Note that a $\tau_1(\tau_2)$ open set is $\tau_1(\tau_2)$ s.o.w.r.to $\tau_2(\tau_1)$.

Throughout our discussion, (X, τ_1, τ_2) or simply X stands for a bispace, \mathbb{R} stands for the set of real numbers, \mathbb{Q} for the set of rational numbers and \mathbb{N} stands for the set of natural numbers and sets are always subsets of X unless otherwise stated.

Theorem 3.2. Let (X, τ_1, τ_2) be a bispace. Let $A \subset X$, and A is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 then $\tau_2 \text{cl} A = \tau_2 \text{cl}(\tau_1 \text{int} A)$.

Proof. Let A is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 then there exists a τ_1 open set O such that $O \subset A \subset \tau_2 \text{cl} O$. Also $O \subset \tau_1 \text{int} A$. Therefore, $A \subset \tau_2 \text{cl} O \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}(\tau_1 \text{int} A)$ and hence $\tau_2 \text{cl} A \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}(\tau_2 \text{cl}(\tau_1 \text{int} A)) = \tau_2 \text{cl}(\tau_1 \text{int} A)$. Also $\tau_2 \text{cl}(\tau_1 \text{int} A) \subset \tau_2 \text{cl} A$. Therefore, $\tau_2 \text{cl} A = \tau_2 \text{cl}(\tau_1 \text{int} A)$. \square

Corollary 3.3. If A is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 and $A \neq \phi$ then $\tau_1 \text{int} A \neq \phi$.

Corollary 3.4. Let A is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 and $A \subset B$ then $A \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}(\tau_1 \text{int} B)$.

If (X, τ_1, τ_2) is a bitopological space then converse part of the theorem 3.2 also holds which is seen in [3]. But in a bispace, this may not be true as shown below:

Example 3.5. Let $X = [0, 2]$ and $\{G_i\}$ be the collection of all countable subsets of irrational numbers in $[0, 1]$. Let τ_1 be the collection of all sets of the form $G_i \cup \{\sqrt{2}\}$ together with X and ϕ , and τ_2 be the collection of all sets G_i together with X and ϕ . Then (X, τ_1, τ_2) is a bispace. Now consider a subset $A = [0, 1] \cup \{\sqrt{2}\}$ then $\tau_2 \text{cl} A = X$ and $\tau_1 \text{int} A$ is set of all irrational numbers in $[0, 1]$ together with $\sqrt{2}$ and hence $\tau_2 \text{cl}(\tau_1 \text{int} A) = X$. Therefore, $\tau_2 \text{cl} A = \tau_2 \text{cl}(\tau_1 \text{int} A)$. But for any τ_1

open set $G(\neq X, \phi)$, $\tau_2 \text{cl}G = G \cup Q_1 \cup [1, 2]$, where Q_1 is the set of all rational numbers in $[0, 1]$. Clearly $\tau_2 \text{cl}G$ does not contain A . Therefore, there does not exist any τ_1 open set G satisfying $G \subset A \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}G$. So A is not τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 .

However we observe in the following theorem that the converse part of theorem 3.2 holds under an additional condition.

Theorem 3.6. *In a bispaces (X, τ_1, τ_2) , let $\tau_2 \text{cl}A = \tau_2 \text{cl}(\tau_1 \text{int}A)$. Then A is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 for any subset A of X if the condition C_1 is satisfied.*

C_1 : Arbitrary union of τ_1 open sets is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 .

Proof. Let $O = \tau_1 \text{int}A$. Then by the condition C_1 , O is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 . So there exists a τ_1 open set G such that $G \subset O \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}G$. Now since $\tau_2 \text{cl}O = \tau_2 \text{cl}(\tau_1 \text{int}A) = \tau_2 \text{cl}A$ and $O \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}G$, it follows that $\tau_2 \text{cl}O \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}(\tau_2 \text{cl}G) = \tau_2 \text{cl}G$ and hence $\tau_2 \text{cl}A \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}G$. Therefore, $G \subset O \subset A \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}A \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}G$ and so A is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 . \square

Remark 3.7. *We see in the Example 3.8 below that there is a bispaces which is not a bitopological space where the condition C_1 holds good.*

Example 3.8. *Let $X = [0, 2]$, τ_1 be the collection of all sets G_i together with X and ϕ and τ_2 be the collection of all sets F_i together with X and ϕ where $\{G_i\}$ and $\{F_i\}$ are the collection of all countable subsets of irrational numbers in $[0, 1]$ and $[1, 2]$ respectively. Then (X, τ_1, τ_2) is a bispaces but not a bitopological space. Now consider all τ_1 open sets $\{G_i\}$. Then $\cup G_i$ is the set of all irrational numbers in $[0, 1]$ which is not τ_1 open. But since, for any τ_1 open set G_i , $\tau_2 \text{cl}G_i = [0, 1] \cup Q_2$ where Q_2 is set of all rational numbers in $[1, 2]$. It follows that $G_i \subset \cup G_i \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}G_i$. This implies that $\cup G_i$ is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 although it is not τ_1 open.*

Theorem 3.9. *Countable union of τ_1 s.o.sets w.r.to τ_2 is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 .*

Proof. Let $\{A_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be a countable collection of τ_1 s.o.sets w.r.to τ_2 . Then for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ there exists a τ_1 open set O_n such that $O_n \subset A_n \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}O_n$. This implies that $\cup\{O_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset \cup\{A_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset \cup\{\tau_2 \text{cl}O_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}(\cup\{O_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\})$ i.e. $O \subset \cup\{A_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}O$, where $O = \cup\{O_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$, a τ_1 open set. Hence $\cup\{A_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 . \square

Remark 3.10. *In [3] it was proved that in a bitopological space arbitrary union of τ_1 s.o.sets w.r.to τ_2 is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 . But this may not be true in a bispaces as shown in the Example 3.11 below.*

Example 3.11. *Consider $X = \mathbb{R}$. Let τ_1 open sets are X, ϕ and all sets G_i where $\{G_i\}$ is the collection of all countable subsets of irrational numbers in \mathbb{R} and τ_2 open sets are X, ϕ and all F_σ sets in \mathbb{R} . Clearly τ_2 closed sets are the G_δ sets. So for any subset G in \mathbb{R} we have $\tau_2 \text{cl}G = G$. Therefore, for any set A which is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 in X , there exists a τ_1 open set G_i such that $G_i \subset A \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}G_i = G_i$. This implies that $A = G_i$, i.e., A is τ_1 open set. So τ_1 open sets are the only τ_1 s.o.sets w.r.to τ_2 . Since the union of all τ_1 open sets G_i ($G_i \neq X$) is precisely the set*

of all irrational numbers in \mathbb{R} which is not τ_1 open, it follows that arbitrary union of τ_1 s.o.sets w.r.to τ_2 may not be τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 .

However the additional condition C_1 ensures the result in theorem 3.9 for arbitrary union.

Theorem 3.12. *Arbitrary union of τ_1 s.o.sets w.r.to τ_2 is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 if and only if the condition C_1 is satisfied.*

Proof. Assume first that the arbitrary union of τ_1 s.o.sets w.r.to τ_2 is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 . Since every τ_1 open set is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 , arbitrary union of τ_1 open sets is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 , i.e., the condition C_1 holds.

Next assume that the condition C_1 holds. Let $\{A_i\}$ be an arbitrary collection of τ_1 s.o.sets w.r.to τ_2 and $A = \cup A_i$. For each i , there exists a τ_1 open set G_i such that $G_i \subset A_i \subset \tau_2 \text{cl} G_i$. Therefore, $\cup G_i \subset \cup A_i = A \subset \cup \tau_2 \text{cl} G_i \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}(\cup G_i)$. Since $\cup G_i$, by assumption, is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 , there exists a τ_1 open set G such that $G \subset \cup G_i \subset \tau_2 \text{cl} G$. Therefore, $G \subset \cup G_i \subset A \subset \cup \tau_2 \text{cl} G_i \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}(\cup G_i) \subset \tau_2 \text{cl} \tau_2 \text{cl} G = \tau_2 \text{cl} G$. This proves that A is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 . \square

Theorem 3.13. *Let A be τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 in a bispace (X, τ_1, τ_2) and let $A \subset B \subset \tau_2 \text{cl} A$. Then B is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 .*

Proof. Since A is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 , there exists a τ_1 open set O such that $O \subset A \subset \tau_2 \text{cl} O$. Therefore, $O \subset A \subset B \subset \tau_2 \text{cl} A \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}(\tau_2 \text{cl} O) = \tau_2 \text{cl} O$ and hence B is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 . \square

Theorem 3.14. *Let (X, τ_1, τ_2) be a bispace and let $A \subset Y \subset X$. If A is pairwise s.o. in X , it is pairwise s.o. in Y .*

Proof. Let A be τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 . Then there exists a τ_1 open set O such that $O \subset A \subset \tau_2 \text{cl} O$. Let $O_Y = Y \cap O$ which is τ_1 open in Y . So $O_Y = Y \cap O \subset Y \cap A \subset Y \cap \tau_2 \text{cl} O = \tau_2 \text{cl} O_Y$ in Y . Interchanging the role of τ_1 and τ_2 we get the result.

We denote the class of all τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 by $\tau_1 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_2}$. \square

Theorem 3.15. *Let $\mathcal{B} = \{B_\alpha\}$ be a collection of subsets of X such that (i) $\tau_1 \subset \mathcal{B}$ and (ii) $B \in \mathcal{B}$ and $B \subset D \subset \tau_2 \text{cl} B$ imply $D \in \mathcal{B}$, then $\tau_1 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_2} \subset \mathcal{B}$.*

Proof. Let $A \in \tau_1 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_2}$, then there exists a τ_1 open set O such that $O \subset A \subset \tau_2 \text{cl} O$. Therefore, $O \in \mathcal{B}$ and $O \subset A \subset \tau_2 \text{cl} O$ imply that $A \in \mathcal{B}$ and hence the result follows.

We denote the set $\{\tau_1 \text{int} A : A \in \tau_1 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_2}\}$ by $\tau_1 \text{int}(\tau_1 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_2})$. Interchanging the role of τ_1 and τ_2 we may denote other such classes at our will.

From the construction, it is obvious that $\tau_1 \subset \tau_1 \text{int}(\tau_1 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_2})$. But in general, τ_1 may not be equal to $\tau_1 \text{int}(\tau_1 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_2})$ as shown in the following example. \square

Example 3.16. Let (X, τ_1, τ_2) be the bispace as in Example 3.8. Now for any τ_1 open set G_i , $\tau_2 \text{cl} G_i = [0, 1] \cup Q_2$, where Q_2 is set of all rational numbers in $[1, 2]$. Let $A = [0, 1]$. Then for any τ_1 open set G_i , $G_i \subset A \subset [0, 1] \cup Q_2 = \tau_2 \text{cl} G_i$. This implies that A is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 , i.e., $A \in \tau_1 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_2}$. But $\tau_1 \text{int} A$ is the set of all irrational numbers in $[0, 1]$ which is not τ_1 open.

However equality $\tau_1 = \tau_1 \text{int}(\tau_1 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_2})$ holds if an additional condition holds.

Theorem 3.17. In a bispace (X, τ_1, τ_2) , $\tau_1 = \tau_1 \text{int}(\tau_1 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_2})$ if and only if the condition C_2 is satisfied.

C_2 : For any $A \subset X$ which is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 , there exists a maximal τ_1 open set O such that $O \subset A \subset \tau_2 \text{cl} O$.

Proof. First assume that $\tau_1 = \tau_1 \text{int}(\tau_1 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_2})$, and let A be any subset of X which is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 . Then $\tau_1 \text{int} A \in \tau_1$. Also by theorem 3.2, $A \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}(\tau_1 \text{int} A)$. Again if G is any τ_1 open set satisfying $G \subset A \subset \tau_2 \text{cl} G$, then $G \subset \tau_1 \text{int} A$. Hence $\tau_1 \text{int} A$ is the maximal τ_1 open set contained in A such that $\tau_1 \text{int} A \subset A \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}(\tau_1 \text{int} A)$. Taking $O = \tau_1 \text{int} A$, we get $O \subset A \subset \tau_2 \text{cl} O$.

Conversely let $A \in \tau_1 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_2}$. By the condition, there exists a maximal τ_1 open set O such that $O \subset A \subset \tau_2 \text{cl} O \dots (1)$.

If possible let $O \neq \tau_1 \text{int} A$. Then there exists a τ_1 open set $G \subset A$ such that G is not contained in O . Since $O \cup G$ is τ_1 open set and $O \cup G \subset A \subset \tau_2 \text{cl} O \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}(O \cup G)$, this contradicts that O is maximal satisfying the condition (1). Hence $\tau_1 \text{int} A = O$ and so $\tau_1 \text{int} A$ is a τ_1 open set, i.e., $\tau_1 \text{int} A \in \tau_1$. Therefore $\tau_1 \text{int}(\tau_1 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_2}) \subset \tau_1$ and consequently $\tau_1 = \tau_1 \text{int}(\tau_1 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_2})$. \square

Remark 3.18. We see that there is a bispace which is not bitopological space where the condition C_2 holds. For, consider the bispace (X, τ_1, τ_2) as in Example 3.11 where the τ_1 open sets are the only τ_1 s.o.sets w.r.to τ_2 . So for any set A which τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 in X , there exists a maximal τ_1 open set $O (= A)$ such that $O \subset A \subset \tau_2 \text{cl} O$.

We now give a necessary and sufficient condition in terms of semi open sets for a bispace to be a bitopological space.

Theorem 3.19. A bispace (X, τ_1, τ_2) is a bitopological space if and only if following condition holds:

- (i) arbitrary union of $\tau_1(\tau_2)$ s.o.sets w.r.to $\tau_2(\tau_1)$ is $\tau_1(\tau_2)$ s.o.w.r.to $\tau_2(\tau_1)$
- (ii) $\tau_1 = \tau_1 \text{int}(\tau_1 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_2})$ and $\tau_2 = \tau_2 \text{int}(\tau_2 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_1})$.

Proof. If (X, τ_1, τ_2) is a bitopological space then (i) holds[3]. For (ii), let $O \in \tau_1$. Then $O \in \tau_1 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_2}$ and since $O = \tau_1 \text{int} O$, $O \in \tau_1 \text{int}(\tau_1 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_2})$. Therefore, $\tau_1 \subset \tau_1 \text{int}(\tau_1 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_2})$. On the other hand, let $O \in \tau_1 \text{int}(\tau_1 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_2})$. Then $O = \tau_1 \text{int} A$ for some $A \in \tau_1 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_2}$ and hence $O \in \tau_1$. Therefore, $\tau_1 \text{int}(\tau_1 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_2}) \subset \tau_1$. Therefore, $\tau_1 = \tau_1 \text{int}(\tau_1 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_2})$. Similarly we can prove that $\tau_2 = \tau_2 \text{int}(\tau_2 \text{S.O.}(X)_{\tau_1})$.

Conversely, it suffices to show that an arbitrary union of $\tau_1(\tau_2)$ open sets is $\tau_1(\tau_2)$ open in

(X, τ_1, τ_2) . Let $\{G_i\}$ be an arbitrary collection of τ_1 open sets and $G = \cup G_i$. Each G_i being τ_1 open is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 . So by (i) G is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 . Then by (ii) $\tau_1 \text{int}G$ is τ_1 open. So $\tau_1 \text{int}G = G$ and similarly arbitrary union of τ_2 open sets is τ_2 open set and this proves the theorem. \square

Definition 3.20. (cf. [7]): Let (X, τ_1, τ_2) be a bispace. Two non empty subsets A and B are said to be

(i) pairwise weakly separated if there exist a τ_1 open set U and a τ_2 open set V such that $A \subset U$, $B \subset V$, $A \cap V = \phi$, $B \cap U = \phi$.

(ii) pairwise strongly separated if there exists a τ_1 open set U and a τ_2 open set V such that $A \subset U$, $B \subset V$, $U \cap V = \phi$.

Definition 3.21. (cf.[7]): A subset A in a bispace (X, τ_1, τ_2) is said to be pairwise connected if it can not be expressed as the unions of two pairwise weakly separated sets.

Remark 3.22. In [3] it is proved that in a bitopological space (X, τ_1, τ_2) if $A = O \cup B$ where (i) $O \neq \phi$ is τ_1 open (ii) A is pairwise connected and (iii) B'^{τ_1} , the derived set of B w.r.to τ_1 is empty, then A is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 . But this is not true in a bispace as shown in the following example.

Example 3.23. Let $X = ([0, 1] - Q) \cup \{\sqrt{2}\}$ and $\{G_i\}$ be the collection of all countable subsets of $[0, 1] - Q$ where Q is the set of all rational numbers. Let τ_1 be the collection of all sets $G_i \cup \{\sqrt{2}\}$ together with X and ϕ , and τ_2 be the collection of all sets G_i together with X and ϕ where $G_i \in \{G_i\}$. Then (X, τ_1, τ_2) is a bispace. Let $A = ([0, \frac{1}{2}] - Q) \cup \{\sqrt{2}\}$. Then A is pairwise connected, because if $A = A_1 \cup A_2$, then at least one of A_1 and A_2 say A_1 is uncountable and X is the only τ_1 open set containing A_1 . Let G be a nonempty countable subset of $[0, \frac{1}{2}] - Q$ and $O = G \cup \{\sqrt{2}\}$. Then $A = O \cup (A - O)$ where $O \neq \phi$, is τ_1 open. Also $(A - O)^{\tau_1}$, the set of all τ_1 limit points of $A - O$ is empty. Indeed if $\alpha \in [0, 1] - Q$, then $\{\alpha, \sqrt{2}\}$ is a τ_1 open set containing α satisfying $\{\alpha, \sqrt{2}\} \cap ((A - O) - \{\alpha\}) = \phi$. Again if $\alpha = \sqrt{2}$ then for any $p \in G$, $\{p, \alpha\}$ is a τ_1 open set containing α satisfying $\{p, \alpha\} \cap ((A - O) - \{\alpha\}) = \phi$. Thus no point of X can be a τ_1 limit point of $A - O$.

So all the conditions stated in the Remark 3.22 above are satisfied, but A is not τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 , because if $G_i \cup \{\sqrt{2}\}$ is any τ_1 open set contained in A , then $\tau_2 \text{cl}(G_i \cup \{\sqrt{2}\}) = G_i \cup \{\sqrt{2}\}$.

However the following theorem is true.

Theorem 3.24. Let (X, τ_1, τ_2) be a bispace. If $A = O \cup B$ where (i) $O(\neq \phi)$ is τ_1 open (ii) A is pairwise connected (iii) there exists a τ_2 closed set $F_1 \supset O$ such that $B \cap F_1 \subset G \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}O$ for some τ_1 open set G , then A is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 .

Proof. We show that $B \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}O$. If $B \not\subset \tau_2 \text{cl}O$ then there exists a τ_2 closed set $F \supset O$ such that $B \not\subset F$. Let $B_1 = B \cap F$, $B_2 = B - B_1$. Then $B_2 \subset X - F$ and $B_2 \neq \phi$. Further, let $B_1^* = B_1 \cap F_1$ and $B_1^{**} = B_1 \cap (X - F_1)$. Then $A = O \cup B = O \cup B_1 \cup B_2 = (O \cup B_1^*) \cup (B_1^{**} \cup B_2)$. Now $B_1^{**} \cup B_2 \subset (X - F_1) \cup (X - F) = X - (F \cap F_1) = G_2$ (say), which is τ_2 open. Since $B_1^* =$

$B_1 \cap F_1 = B \cap F \cap F_1 \subset B \cap F_1 \subset G$, we have $O \cup B_1^* \subset O \cup G = G_1$ (say), which is τ_1 open set. Since $G \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}O \subset F \cap F_1$ and $G_1 = O \cup G \subset F \cap F_1$, it follows that $G_1 \cap G_2 = \phi$. This implies that $O \cup B_1^*$, $B_1^{**} \cup B_2$ are non empty strongly separated sets, a contradiction. Hence $O \subset A = O \cup B \subset \tau_2 \text{cl}O$ and so A is τ_1 s.o.w.r.to τ_2 . \square

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