

## On Some Properties of $\beta$ -open sets

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### Abstract

In this paper we introduce and study the concepts of  $\beta$ -open set,  $\beta$ -continuous functions, then we also study the concepts of  $\beta$ -compact subsets and study some new characterizations of  $\beta$ -separation axioms such as  $\beta$ - $T_2$ . Then we discuss the relations between the  $\beta$ -continuous functions and these concepts.

**Keywords:**  $\beta$ -open set,  $\beta$ -compact,  $\beta$ -open cover,  $\beta$ -closed sets,  $\beta$ -continuous

### INTRODUCTION

Generalized open sets play a very important role in General Topology and they are now the research topics of many topologists worldwide. Levine [7] introduced the notion of semi-open sets and semi-continuity in topological spaces. Andrijevic [2] introduced a class of generalized open sets in topological spaces. Mashhour [9] introduced pre open sets in topological spaces. Monsef et al. [1] initiated the study of  $\beta$ -open sets and  $\beta$ -continuity in a topological space. The class of  $\beta$ -open sets is contained in the class of semi-open and pre-open sets. In this paper we discuss the covering properties of  $\beta$ -sets and  $\beta$ -continuous functions. All through this paper  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \sigma)$  stand for topological spaces with no separation assumed, unless otherwise stated. the closure of  $A$  and the interior of  $A$  will be denoted by  $Cl(A)$  and  $Int(A)$ , respectively.

### PRELIMINARIES

**Definition 3.1** A subset  $A$  of a space  $X$  is said to be [2],[10]:

1. Semi-open if  $A \subseteq Cl(Int(A))$
2. Pre open if  $A \subseteq Int(Cl(A))$
3.  $\alpha$ -open if  $A \subseteq Int(Cl(Int(A)))$
4. b-open if  $A \subseteq Cl(Int(A)) \cup Int(Cl(A))$
5.  $\beta$ -open if  $A \subseteq Cl(Int(Cl(A)))$

**Definition 3.2.** A function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is called [1], [9]:

1. semi continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semi open in  $X$  for each open set  $V$  of  $Y$ .
2. pre continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is pre open in  $X$  for each open set  $V$  of  $Y$ .
3.  $\alpha$ -continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\alpha$ -open in  $X$  for each open set  $V$  of  $Y$ .
4. b-continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is b-open in  $X$  for each open set  $V$  of  $Y$ .

5.  $\beta$ -continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\beta$ -open in  $X$  for each open set  $V$  of  $Y$ .

**Definition 3.3** [10] A space  $X$  is a  $\beta$ - $T_2$  space iff for each  $x, y \in X$  such that  $x \neq y$  there are

$\beta$ -open sets  $U, V \subset X$  so that  $x \in U, y \in V$  and  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ .

### COVERING PROPERTIES

**Definition 4.1**

Let  $\{G_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  be a family of  $\beta$ -open sets of the space  $X$ . the family  $\{G_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  covers  $X$  if  $X \subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} G_\alpha$ .

**Definition 4.2**

A space  $X$  is called a  $\beta$ -compact space if each  $\beta$ -open cover of  $X$  has a finite subcover for  $X$ .

**Theorem 4.3**

Let  $A$  be a  $\beta$ -compact subset of the  $\beta$ - $T_2$  space  $X$  and  $x \notin A$ . then there exist two disjoint

$\beta$ -open sets  $U$  and  $V$  containing  $x$  and  $A$ , respectively.

**Proof :**

Let  $y \in A$ , since  $X$  is  $\beta$ - $T_2$  space there exist two  $\beta$ -open sets  $U_x, V_y \in X$  such that

$x \in U_x, y \in V_y, U_x \cap V_y = \emptyset$ , the family  $\bigcup \{A \cap V_y : y \in A\}$  is  $\beta$ -open cover of  $A$  has a finite  $\beta$ -subcover  $\{A \cap V_{y_1}, A \cap V_{y_2}, \dots, A \cap V_{y_n}\}$ , thus  $U = U_x \cup U_{y_1} \cup U_{y_2} \cup \dots \cup U_{y_n}$ .

**Theorem 4.4**

If  $X$  is  $\beta$ - $T_2$  space and  $A$  is a  $\beta$ -open subset, if  $A$  is  $\beta$ -compact then  $A$  is a  $\beta$ -closed.

**Proof:**

Let  $x \in X - A$ , by the theorem 4.3 there exist two  $\beta$ -open sets  $U$  and  $V$  such that  $x \in U, A \subseteq V, U \cap V = \emptyset$ , thus  $x \in U \subseteq X - V \subseteq X - A$ , which implies  $X - A$  is  $\beta$ -open so that  $A$  is  $\beta$ -closed.

**Theorem 4.5**

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be a two  $\beta$ -compact subsets of the  $\beta$ - $T_2$  space  $X$ , then there exist disjoint

$\beta$ -open sets  $U$  and  $V$  containing  $A$  and  $B$ , respectively.

**Proof:**

Let  $b \in B$ , since  $A$  is a  $\beta$ -compact subset and  $\beta$ -open in  $X$ , there exist two  $\beta$ -open sets

$U_b, V_b$  such that  $U_b \cap V_b = \emptyset; b \in V_b, A \subseteq U_b$ , so  $\beta = \{B \cap V_b; b \in B\}$  is a  $\beta$ -open cover of

$B$ , since  $B$  is  $\beta$ -compact subset there exist finite subcover  $\{B \cap V_{i_n}; 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  from  $\beta$ .

Let  $U = \bigcap_{i=1}^n U_{b_i}, V = \bigcup_{i=1}^n V_{b_i}$ , thus  $A \subseteq U, B \subseteq V, U \cap V = \emptyset$ .

**Theorem 4.5**

Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \rho)$  be a continuous surjection open function, if  $X$  is a  $\beta$ -compact then  $Y$  is a  $\beta$ -compact.

**Proof:**

Let  $\beta = \{V_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  be a  $\beta$ -open cover of  $Y$ , then  $L = \{f^{-1}(V_\alpha) : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  is a  $\beta$ -open cover of  $X$ . since  $X$  is a  $\beta$ -compact space, there exist a finite  $\beta$ -subcover from  $L$  to the space  $X$ . such that

$$X \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n f^{-1}(V_{\alpha_i}), \text{ thus}$$

$$Y = f(X) \subseteq f\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n f^{-1}(V_{\alpha_i})\right) = f\left(f^{-1}\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n (V_{\alpha_i})\right)\right) = \bigcup_{i=1}^n (V_{\alpha_i})$$

Hence  $Y \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n (V_{\alpha_i})$ , this shows  $Y$  is a  $\beta$ -compact.

**Corollary 4.6**

$\beta$ -compactness is a topological property

**Proof:**

The proof from theorem Theorem 4.5.

**Definition 4.7:**

A family of sets  $\mathcal{J}$  has “finite intersection property” if every finite subfamily of  $\mathcal{J}$  has a nonempty intersection.

**Theorem 4.5**

A topological space is  $\beta$ -compact if and only if any collection of its  $\beta$ -closed sets having the finite intersection property has non-empty intersection.

**Proof:**

Suppose  $X$  is  $\beta$ -compact, i.e., any collection of  $\beta$ -open subsets that cover  $X$  has a finite collection that also cover  $X$ . Further, suppose  $\{G_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  is an arbitrary collection of  $\beta$ -closed subsets with the finite intersection property. We claim that

$$\bigcap_{\alpha \in \Delta} G_\alpha \neq \emptyset \text{ is non-empty. Suppose otherwise, i.e., suppose } \bigcap_{\alpha \in \Delta} G_\alpha = \emptyset.$$

Then  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} (X - G_\alpha) = X - \left(\bigcap_{\alpha \in \Delta} G_\alpha\right) = X - \emptyset = X$ . Since each  $G_\alpha$  is  $\beta$ -closed, the collection  $\{X - G_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  is a  $\beta$ -open cover for  $X$ . By  $\beta$ -compactness, there is a finite  $\beta$ -subcover  $L$  such that

$$X = \bigcup_{i=1}^n (X - G_{\alpha_i}). \quad \text{But then}$$

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^n G_{\alpha_i} = \bigcap_{i=1}^n (X - (X - G_{\alpha_i})) = X - \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n (X - G_{\alpha_i})\right) = X - X = \emptyset,$$

which contradicts the finite intersection property of  $\{G_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\}$ .

Conversely, take the hypothesis that every family of a  $\beta$ -closed sets in  $X$  having the finite intersection property has a nonempty intersection. we are to show  $X$  is  $\beta$ -compact. let  $\{G_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  be any  $\beta$ -open cover of  $X$ . then  $\{X - G_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  is a family of  $\beta$ -closed sets such that

$$\bigcap_{\alpha \in \Delta} (X - G_\alpha) = X - \left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} G_\alpha\right) = X - X = \emptyset.$$

Consequently, our hypothesis implies the family  $\{X - G_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  does not have the finite intersection property. Therefore, there is some finite  $\beta$ -subcollection

$$\{X - G_{\alpha_i} : i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n\} \text{ such that } \bigcap_{i=1}^n (X - G_{\alpha_i}) = \emptyset \text{ and}$$

hence

$$X = \bigcup_{i=1}^n G_{\alpha_i} = \bigcup_{i=1}^n (X - (X - G_{\alpha_i})) = X - \left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n (X - G_{\alpha_i})\right) = X - \emptyset = X$$

Thus  $X = \bigcup_{i=1}^n G_{\alpha_i}$ , implying  $X$  is  $\beta$ -compact.

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