## SEPARATION AXIOMS IN BITOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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J. C. Kelly [1] initiated a study of bitopological spaces. A set X equipped with two topologies is called a bitopological space. Separation axioms in bitopological spaces have been studied by various authers, e.g., J. C. Kelly [1], C. W. Patty [3], E. P. Lane [2] and others. Concepts of pairwise Hausdorff, pairwise regular and pairwise normal were introduced by J. C. Kelly; pairwise completely regular and pairwise perfectly normal were defined by E. P. Lane; pairwise complete normality was introduced by C. W. Patty. The purpose of this paper is to introduce the concept of total normality for bitopological spaces and to study some related results. Generally, terms and notation not explained herein are taken from I. L. Reilly [5].

We first generalize the concept of a zero-set.

DEFINITION 1. Let  $(X, T_1, T_2)$  be a bitopological space. If f is a real-valued function on X that is  $T_1$ -lsc and  $T_2$ -usc then  $\{x \in X | f(x) \le 0\}$  is a  $T_1$ -zero-set  $[w.r.t. T_2]$ , and  $\{x \in X | f(x) \ge 0\}$  is a  $T_2$ -zero-set  $[w.r.t. T_1]$ . A subset is called a  $T_i$ -cozero-set if its complement is a  $T_i$ -zero-set, i=1,2.

It is immediate from the definition that a  $T_1$ -zero-set is  $T_1$ -closed and a  $T_2$ -zero-set is  $T_2$ -closed.

Let g be a  $T_1$ -lsc and  $T_2$ -usc function on X. Then, because

$${x \in X \mid g(x) \le 0} = {x \in X \mid f(x) = (g^{\vee}0)(x) = 0},$$

any  $T_1$ -zero-set is of the form  $Z(f) = \{x \in X | f(x) = 0\}$ , where f is  $T_1$ -lsc and  $T_2$ -usc and  $f \ge 0$ , Similarly, any  $T_2$ -zero-set is of the form  $Z(f) = \{x \in X | f(x) = 0\}$ , where f is  $T_1$ -usc and  $T_2$ -lsc and  $f \ge 0$ .

Another characterization of pairwise normality is given by the following generalization of Urysohn's Lemma.

THEOREM 2.  $(X, T_1, T_2)$  is pairwise normal iff for each  $T_1$ -closed set A and  $T_2$ -closed set B disjoint from A there exist  $T_1$ -zero-set E,  $T_2$ -zero-set F,  $T_2$ -cozero-set U and  $T_1$ -cozero-set V such that

$$A \subset E \subset U$$
,  $B \subset F \subset V$  and  $U \cap V = \phi$ .

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The following result can sometimes be used to extend results on pairwise normal spaces to more general bitopological spaces.

THEOREM 3. Let  $(X, T_1, T_2)$  be a bitopological space. If A is a  $T_1$ -zero-set that is disjoint from the  $T_2$ -zero-set B, then there exist a  $T_2$ -cozero-set U and a  $T_1$ -cozero-set V disjoint from U such that

$$A \subset U$$
 and  $B \subset V$ .

**Proof.** Let A=Z(f), where f is  $T_1$ -lsc and  $T_2$ -usc and  $f \ge 0$ . Similarly, let B=Z(g), where g is  $T_1$ -usc and  $T_2$ -lsc and  $g \ge 0$ . Since  $A \cap B = \phi$ , it follows that f(x)+g(x)>0 for all  $x \in X$ . Thus we can define a function  $h: X \to [0,1]$  by

$$h(x) = f(x)/(f(x)+g(x))$$
, if  $x \in X$ .

Then h=0 on A and h=1 on B. And if  $x \in B$  then h(x)=1, but because  $h \le 1$  it follows that h is  $T_2$ -usc at  $x \in B$ . If  $g(x) \ne 0$  then

$$h(x)=1-\frac{1}{(f(x)/g(x))+1}.$$

Because g>0 on X-B, it follows that 1/g is  $T_1$ -lsc and  $T_2$ -usc on X-B. Thus f/g is  $T_1$ -lsc and  $T_2$ -usc on X-B, and consequently 1/((f/g)+1) is  $T_1$ -usc and  $T_2$ -lsc on X-B. This proves that h|(X-B) is  $T_1$ -lsc and  $T_2$ -usc.

If  $x \in X - B$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is a subset G of X - B such that G contains x, G is  $T_2$ -open in X - B, and if  $y \in G$  then  $h(y) < h(x) + \varepsilon$ . But G is  $T_2$ -open in X, so h is  $T_2$ -usc at  $x \in X - B$ . Therefore h is  $T_2$ -usc. Similarly, if  $x \in A$  then h(x) = 0 and  $h \ge 0$ , so h is  $T_1$ -lsc at x, If  $x \in X - A$ , the fact that h(X - A) = 1/((g/f) + 1) shows that h is  $T_1$ -lsc at x. Thus h is  $T_1$ -lsc. Let  $U = \{x \in X | h(x) < 1/2\}$  and  $V = \{x \in X | h(x) > 1/2\}$ .

Then U and V are appropriately cozero, disjoint and separate A and B.

We say that a subset A of  $(X, T_1, T_2)$  is a  $T_i$ - $G_\delta$ -set if A is a countable intersection of  $T_i$ -open sets. Dually, a subset B is a  $T_i$ - $F_\sigma$ -set if B is a countable union of  $T_i$ -closed sets, i, j=1, 2.

THEOREM 4. A  $T_i$ -zero-set of  $(X, T_1, T_2)$  is a  $T_i$ -closed  $T_j$ - $G_\delta$ -set, i, j =1,2,  $i \neq j$ . And a  $T_i$ -closed  $T_j$ - $G_\delta$ -set in a pairwise normal space is a  $T_i$ -zero-set, i, j=1,2,  $i \neq j$ .

*Proof.* Let A be a  $T_i$ -zero-set in a bitopological space X. Then A is evidently  $T_i$ -closed and if A=Z(g), where g is  $T_i$ -lsc and  $T_i$ -usc on X

such that  $g \ge 0$ , then  $A = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} G_n$ , where  $G_n = \{x \in X \mid g(x) < 1/n\}$ , so that A is a  $T_i - G_{\delta}$ -set.

Now let A be a  $T_i$ -closed set of a pairwise normal space X such that  $A = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} G_n$ , where each  $G_n$  is a  $T_j$ -open set. For each n there exist a  $T_1$ -lsc and  $T_2$ -usc function  $f_n$  on X such that  $f_n(A) = 0$ ,  $f_n(G_n^c) = 1/2^n$  and  $f_n(X) \subset [0, 1/2^n]$ . Then the function  $f: X \to [0, 1]$  defined by  $f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x)$  is  $T_1$ -lsc and  $T_2$ -usc, and it is clear that A = Z(f).

If A is a  $T_i$ -clsed set in a pairwise normal space  $(X, T_1, T_2)$  and U is a  $T_i$ -open set such that  $A \subset U$ , then by Theorem 2 and Theorem 4, there exists a  $T_j$ -open  $T_i - F_{\sigma}$ -set H such that  $A \subset H \subset U$ , where  $i, j = 1, 2, i \neq j$ . We consider generalization of this situation.

DEFINITION 5. A subset M of a bitopolgical space  $(X, T_1, T_2)$  is a generalized  $T_i - F_{\sigma}$ -set if for each  $T_j$ -open set U such that  $M \subset U$  there exists a  $T_i - F_{\sigma}$ -set F such  $M \subset F \subset U$ .

DEFINITION 6. A subset M of a bitopological space  $(X, T_1, T_2)$  is (i, j) normally situated in X if for each  $T_j$ -open set U such that  $M \subset U$  there exists a  $T_j$ -open set G such that  $M \subset G \subset U$  and  $G = \subset_{\lambda \in \Lambda} G_{\lambda}$ , where  $\{G_{\lambda} | \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is a family, locally finite in G, of  $T_j$ -open  $T_i - F_{\sigma}$ -sets of X, i, j = 1, 2,  $i \neq j$ . A subset M of X is normally situated in X if M is (1, 2) normally situated in X and (2, 1) normally situated in X.

THEOREM 7. If M is a generalized  $T_i - F_{\sigma}$ -set in a pairwise normal space X, then M is (i, j) normally situated in X,  $i, j=1, 2, i \neq j$ .

Poof. If M is a generalized  $T_i - F_{\sigma}$ -set and  $M \subset U$ , where U is a  $T_j$ -open set, then there exists a family  $\{A_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  of  $T_i$ -closed set such that  $M \subset \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n \subset U$ . But since X is a pairwise normal space,  $A_i \subset H_i \subset U$  for each i, where  $H_i$  is a  $T_j$ -open  $T_i - F_{\sigma}$  and  $M \subset \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} H_i \subset U$ . Hence M is a (i,j) normally situated in X, i,j=1,2,  $i \neq j$ .

DEFINITION 8. A pairwise normal space  $(X, T_1, T_2)$  is said to be *pairwise* totally normal if every subset of X is normally situated in X.

Equivalently, a pairwise normal space X is pairwise totally normal if each  $T_j$ -open set G is the union of a family  $\{G_{\lambda} | \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ , locally finite in G, of  $T_j$ -open  $T_i - F_{\sigma}$ -sets of X.

THEOREM 9.  $(X, T_1, T_2)$  is pairwise regular if it is pairwise totally normal. Proof. If G is a  $T_i$ -open set and  $x \in G$ , then  $x \in U \subset G$ , where U is a  $T_i$ -open  $T_j - F_{\sigma}$ -set. Hence there exists a  $T_j$ -closed set F such that  $x \in F \subset G$ . Since X is pairwise normal there exists a  $T_j$ -open set V such that  $F \subset V \subset \overline{V}^i \subset G$ . Then  $x \in V \subset \overline{V}^i \subset G$  and hence X is pairwise regular.

If X is a pairwise totally normal space then every subspace of X is pairwise totally normal. In fact, suppose A is a subspace of X and suppose that  $M \subset U \subset A$ , where U is  $T_j$ -open in A. Then there exists V a  $T_j$ -open in X such that  $U = V \cap A$ . Since M is normally situated in X and  $M \subset V$ , there exists a family  $\{G_{\lambda} | \lambda \in A\}$ , locally finite in  $G = \bigcup_{\lambda \in A} G_{\lambda}$ , of  $T_j$ -open  $T_i - F_{\sigma}$ -sets of X such that  $M \subset G \subset V$ . Then  $G \cap A = \bigcup_{\lambda \in A} (G_{\lambda} \cap A)$  and for each  $\lambda$  the set  $G_{\lambda} \cap A$  is a  $T_j$ -open  $T_i - F_{\sigma}$ -set of A. Since  $M \subset G \cap A \subset U$  it follows that M is normally situated in A. Hence A is pairwise totally normal.

THEOREM 10.  $(X, T_1, T_2)$  is pairwise totally normal if it is pairwise perfectly normal.

*Proof.* Let M be a subset of X and  $M \subset U$ , where U is  $T_j$ -open set. Since X is pairwise perfectly normal, U is  $T_j$ -open  $T_i - F_\sigma$ -set. Thus M is a generalized  $T_i - F_\sigma$ -set so that M is normally situated in X by Theorem 7.

Hence X is a pairwise totally normal space.

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