

ON SEMI-CLOSURE STRUCTURES AND TOPOLOGICAL
MODIFYING STRUCTURES

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1. Semi-closure structures

Let X be any non empty set and $\mathcal{P}(X)$ the power set of X . A function $u: \mathcal{P}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ is called a semi-closure structure [3] on X if satisfies the following four conditions;

- 1) $u(\phi) = \phi$,
- 2) $A \subset u(A)$ for each $A \in \mathcal{P}(X)$.
- 3) $A \subset B \Rightarrow u(A) \subset u(B)$ for each $A, B \in \mathcal{P}(X)$, and
- 4) $u(A) = u(u(A))$ for each $A \in \mathcal{P}(X)$.

A pair (X, u) where u is a semi-closure structure on X , is called a semi-closure space. These concepts are generalizations of the more familiar Kuratowski closure operator and topological spaces, respectively. For a convenience, we shall agree to use \mathcal{U} as $\{A \subset X \mid u(X-A) = X-A\}$. Clearly, a semi-closure structure u is satisfied

i) $X, \phi \in \mathcal{U}$ and ii) for every $A \in \mathcal{U}$ $i \in I$, $\bigcup_{i \in I} A \in \mathcal{U}$,

but the finite intersection of elements of \mathcal{U} is not an element of \mathcal{U} , in general (A family \mathcal{U} of subsets of X satisfying the above conditions i) and ii) is called a pretopology [1], a supratopology [2], or a semi-topology [6] for X).

The concept of semi-closure structures is motivated by the following examples;

EXAMPLE 1.1. Let (X, \mathcal{F}) be a topological space and $-$ and 0 denote the closure operator and the interior operator in X , respectively. Then

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{F}^{\circ} &= \{A \subset X \mid A \subset A^{\circ}\}, \\ \mathcal{F}^{\flat} &= \{A \subset X \mid A \subset A^{\circ}\}, \text{ and} \\ \mathcal{F}^{\gamma} &= \{A \subset X \mid A \subset A^{\circ}\}\end{aligned}$$

are pretopologies but not topologies for X [1,5].

EXAMPLE 1.2[6]. Let X and Y be any two non empty sets and \mathcal{F} a subcollection of $\{f \mid f: X \rightarrow Y \text{ is a function}\}$. Let $K(f, g)$ denote the coincidence set of f and g , consisting of all points $x \in X$ such that $f(x) = g(x)$. Define $u: \mathcal{P}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ by

$$u(A) = \bigcap \{K(f, g) \mid K(f, g) \supset A, f, g \in \mathcal{F}\}.$$

Then if $\bigcap_{f, g \in \mathcal{F}} K(f, g) = \phi$, then u is a semi-closure structure on X .

Moreover, if $Y = \{0, 1\}$, then the above semi-closure structure u is a Kuratowski closure operator.

EXAMPLE 1.3 [8]. Let X be any non empty set and G and \mathcal{G} denote a transformation group of X and the equivalence relations of X , respectively. Then between the complete lattice \mathcal{G} (the set of all subgroups of G) and the complete lattice \mathcal{E} there can be established a dual (inverse) Galois connection[7] $\mathcal{G} \overset{\sigma}{\dashv} \mathcal{E}$ such that

- 1) $\sigma(A) = \{a \sim b \mid f(a) = b, \text{ for some } f \in A\}$ for each subgroup A of G and
 - 2) $\tau(\sim) = \{f \in G \mid f(x) \sim x, \text{ for any } x \in X\}$ for each $\sim \in \mathcal{E}$.
- By the Galois connection $(\sigma\tau, \tau\sigma)$, we can prove that if

$\sigma(\phi)=\phi$ and $\tau(\phi)=\phi$, then $\sigma\tau$ and $\tau\sigma$ are semi-closure structures on \mathcal{S} and \mathcal{S} , respectively. In [7], these structures $\sigma\tau$ and $\tau\sigma$ are called closure operators.

2. Topological modifying structures

Let X be a non empty set and let Γ be a collection of semi-closure structures on X [3,4]. Γ is called a topological modifying structure on X if for each $A, B \in \mathcal{P}(X)$ and for each $u, v \in \Gamma$, there exists an element w in Γ such that $u(A) \cup v(B) \supseteq w(A \cup B)$. Let (X, u) be a semi-closure space. We let $\phi_u(x) = \{A \subset X: x \notin u(A^c)\}$. In a topological space (X, u) , $\phi_u(x)$ is clearly the neighborhood system at x in (X, u) for each $x \in X$.

REMARK. (1) If a topological modifying structure Γ on X has only one element u , then u satisfies the Kuratowski closure axioms. From now on, we shall agree to use u as the unique topology for X determined by u .

(2) Any collection of semi-closure structures on X is not a topological modifying structure on X , in general, as shown by the following example A.

(3) Any collection of topologies for X which has at least two elements is not a topological modifying structure on X , in general, as shown by the following example B.

EXAMPLE A. Let (X, \mathcal{S}) be a topological space and denote the closure operator and the interior operator in X , respectively. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}^\alpha &= \{A \subset X: A \subset A^{0^c}\}, \\ \mathcal{S}^\beta &= \{A \subset X: A \subset A^{-0}\} \text{ and} \\ \mathcal{S}^\gamma &= \{A \subset X: A \subset A^{-0^c}\} \end{aligned}$$

are pretopologies [1, 5], but not topologies for X . If u , v , and w are semi-closure structures on X determined by \mathcal{S}^a , \mathcal{S}^b , and \mathcal{S}^c , respectively, then $\Gamma = \{u, v, w\}$ is not a topological modifying structure on X .

EXAMPLE B. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and $u = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$ and $v = \{X, \phi, \{b\}, \{b, c\}\}$. Then u and v are topologies for X and $u\{c\} \cup v\{a\} = \{a, c\} \supset u\{a, c\} = v\{a, c\} = \{a, b, c\}$. Therefore $\Gamma = \{u, v\}$ is not a topological modifying structure on X .

THEOREM 2.1. Let Γ be a topological modifying structure on a set X . Then $\bigcup_{u \in \Gamma} \phi_u(x)$ is a neighborhood system at x , for each $x \in X$. That is, Γ determines a topology T_Γ for X .

PROOF. 1) Set $N_x = \bigcup_{u \in \Gamma} \phi_u(x)$ and let $A \in N_x$. Then there is $u \in \Gamma$ such that $x \notin u(A^c)$. Since $A^c \subset u(A^c)$, $x \notin A^c$ and thus $x \in A$.

2) Let A and B be two elements of N_x . Then there are $u, v \in \Gamma$ such that $x \notin u(A^c)$ and $x \notin v(B^c)$. Since Γ is a topological modifying structure on X , there exists $w \in \Gamma$ such that $x \notin w(A^c \cup v(B^c)) \supset w(A^c \cup B^c) = w((A \cap B)^c)$. Now we have $x \notin w((A \cap B)^c)$ and thus $A \cap B \in N_x$.

3) Let $A \in N_x$ and $A \subset B \subset X$. Then there exists $u \in \Gamma$ such that $x \notin u(A^c)$. Since $A \subset B$, $B^c \subset A^c$ and $u(B^c) \subset u(A^c)$. It follows that $x \notin u(B^c)$ and thus $B \in N_x$.

4) Let $A \in N_x$. Then there exists $u \in \Gamma$ such that $x \notin u(A^c)$ and we have $x \in X - u(A^c) \subset A$. Let $B = X - u(A^c)$. Then we shall prove that i) $B \in N_x$ and ii) $A \in N_y$, for each $y \in B$, that is, for each $y \in B$, $y \notin w(A^c)$ for some $w \in \Gamma$.

i) Since u is a semi-closure structure on X (i.e., $u \in \Gamma$), $u(B^c) = u((X - u(A^c))^c) = u(u(A^c)) = u(A^c)$. Since $x \notin u(A^c)$, $x \notin u((X - u(A^c))^c)$ and thus $B = X - u(A^c) \in N_x$.

ii) Since $B \cap u(A^c) = \emptyset$, $y \notin u(A^c)$ and thus $A \in N_y$, for each $y \in B$.

The proof is complete.

THEOREM 2.2. Let (X, \mathcal{F}) be a topological space and let Γ be a collection of semi-closure structures on X such that $\mathcal{F} \in \Gamma$ and for each $u \in \Gamma, u \subset \mathcal{F}$. Then,

- (1) Γ is a topological modifying structure on X .
- (2) $\mathcal{F}_\Gamma = \mathcal{F}$.

PROOF. (1) Let u be the closure structure on (X, \mathcal{F}) . For each $v, w \in \Gamma$ and for each $A, B \in \mathcal{P}(X)$,

$$u(A) \cup v(B) \supset u(A) \cup u(B) = u(A \cup B).$$

Thus Γ is a topological modifying structure on X .

(2) Let A be a neighborhood of x in (X, \mathcal{F}_Γ) . Then there exists an element v in Γ such that $x \notin v(A^c)$. Since $v(A) \supset u(B)$ for each $A \in \mathcal{P}(X)$, $x \notin u(A^c)$. Thus A is a neighborhood of x in (X, \mathcal{F}) . Conversely, let A be a neighborhood of x in (X, \mathcal{F}) . Then $x \notin u(A^c)$ and thus $A \in \Phi_x(x) \subset \bigcup_{v \in \Gamma} \Phi_v(x)$. Therefore A is a neighborhood of x in (X, \mathcal{F}_Γ) .

The proof is complete.

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