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More on Separation Axioms

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Abstract:

In this paper we study R_0 space with the help of semi-preopen sets introduced by Andrijevic' [1].

Semi-prekernel of a set is defined and its several properties are investigated. Semi-prekernel of a set is used as a tool to characterize the new space termed as sp- R_0 space.

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1. Introduction

In 1943, N. Shanin [5] introduced R_0 separation axiom. Maheswari [4] et al. introduced $(R_0)_s$ space with the aid of semi-open sets while Caldas et al. [2] defined R_0 space utilizing preopen sets. The purpose of this paper is to introduce sp- R_0 space using semi-preopen sets introduced by Andrejevic' [1]. In Section 2 of this paper some known definitions and results necessary for the presentation of the subject are given. Section 3 and Section 4 deal with the definitions and characterization along with some basic properties of semi-pre kernel (briefly sp-ker.) and sp- R_0 space respectively.

2. Preliminaries

Throughout the paper (X, τ) or X always denotes a non trivial topological space.

- Definition 2. 1. $A \subset X$ is called a semi-preopen set (briefly s. p. o. set) [1] iff $A \subset Cl(Int(Cl(A)))$. The family of all s. p. o. sets are denoted by $SPO(X)$. For each $x \in X$, the family of all s. p. o. sets containing x is denoted by $SPO(X, x)$.
- Definition 2. 2. The complement of a s. p. o. set is called semi-preclosed [1]. Equivalently a set F is semi-preclosed [1] iff $Cl(Int(A)) \subset F$. The family of all semi-preclosed sets is denoted by $SPF(X)$.
- Definition 2. 3. The semi-preclosure [1] of $A \subset X$ is denoted by $spcl(A)$ and is defined by $spcl(A) = \bigcap \{B: B \text{ is semi-preclosed and } B \supset A\}$.
- Definition 2. 4. A topological space X is said to be sp- T_1 [3] iff for every pair of points $x, y \in X$ such that $x \neq y$, there exists a $U \in SPO(X, x)$ not containing y and a $V \in SPO(X, y)$ not containing x .
- Lemma 2. 1[1]. Let A be a subset of X , then $spcl(A) = A \cup Int(Cl(Int(A)))$.
- Lemma 2. 2[3]. Every one point set in a topological space is either semi-preclosed or open.
- Theorem 2. 1[3]. A topological space X is sp- T_1 iff every one point set is semi-preclosed.

3. Semi-Pre Kernel

- Definition 3. 1. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and $A \subset X$. Then the semi-pre Kernel of A (briefly sp-Ker (A)) is defined to be the set $sp-Ker(A) = \bigcap \{U: U \in SPO(X), A \subset U\}$.
- Remark 3. 1. Ghosh [3] defined semi-pre Kernel of a point $x \in X$ as $sp-Ker(\{x\}) = \bigcap \{y \in X: x \in spcl(\{y\})\}$.
- Theorem 3. 1. Let $x, y \in X$. Then $y \in sp-Ker(\{x\})$ iff $x \in spcl(\{y\})$.
- Proof. Necessity. Let $y \in sp-Ker(\{x\}) \Rightarrow y \in \bigcap \{U: U \in SPO(X), \{x\} \subset U\} \Rightarrow \{y\} \cap U \neq \emptyset$ for every $U \in SPO(X, x)$. Therefore, $x \in spcl(\{y\})$.
- Sufficiency. Suppose $x \in spcl(\{y\})$. Then $\{y\} \cap U \neq \emptyset$ for every $U \in SPO(X, x) \Rightarrow y \in \bigcap \{U: U \in SPO(X), \{x\} \subset U\} \Rightarrow y \in sp-Ker(\{x\})$.
- Remark 3. 2. From the above lemma, one now observes that for a one point set, Ghosh's definition coincides with Definition 3. 1.
- Theorem 3. 2. Let X be a topological space and $A \subset X$. Then $sp-Ker(A) = \{x \in X: spcl(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \emptyset\}$.
- Proof. Let $x \in sp-Ker(A)$ and suppose $spcl(\{x\}) \cap A = \emptyset$. Clearly $x \in spcl(\{x\}) \Rightarrow x \notin X - spcl(\{x\})$. We observe that $A \subset X - spcl(\{x\}) \in SPO(X)$, but $X - spcl(\{x\})$ does not contain x . This contradicts our assumption that $x \in sp-Ker(A)$.

Thus $\text{spcl}(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \phi \Rightarrow \text{sp-Ker}(A) \subset \{x \in X : \text{spcl}(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \phi\}$. To prove the reverse inclusion let $x \in X$ be such that $\text{spcl}(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \phi$. If possible let $x \notin \text{sp-Ker}(A)$. Then there exists a $U_0 \in \text{SPO}(X)$ with $A \subset U_0$ such that $x \notin U_0$. Again since $\text{spcl}(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \phi$ there exists a $y \in A$ such that $y \in \text{spcl}(\{x\})$. By Theorem 3. 1 , $x \in \text{sp-Ker}(\{y\})$. Thus $x \in \cap \{U:U \in \text{SPO}(X), \{y\} \subset U\} \cap \cap \{U:U \in \text{SPO}(X), A \subset U\} \Rightarrow$ a contradiction to the above assertion that $x \notin U_0$ whence $\{x \in X : \text{spcl}(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \phi\} \subset \text{sp-Ker}(A)$. Hence $\text{sp-Ker}(A) = \{x \in X : \text{spcl}(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \phi\}$.

4. Semi-Pre R_0 Spaces

➤ Definition 4. 1. A topological space (X, τ) is said to be a semi-pre R_0 (briefly sp-R_0) space if $\text{spcl}(\{x\}) \subset U$ for every $U \in \text{SPO}(X, x)$.

➤ Theorem 4. 1. A topological space (X, τ) is sp-R_0 iff for each $U \in \text{SPO}(X, x)$
 $\text{Int}(\text{Cl}(\text{Int}(\{x\}))) \subset U$.

→ Proof. Let $U \in \text{SPO}(X, x) \Rightarrow \text{spcl}(\{x\}) \subset U$. Then Lemma 2. 1 yields $\{x\} \cup \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(\text{Int}(\{x\}))) \subset U \Rightarrow \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(\text{Int}(\{x\}))) \subset U$. Conversely, let the given condition holds. Also let $x \in X$ and $U \in \text{SPO}(X, x)$. Then $\text{Int}(\text{Cl}(\text{Int}(\{x\}))) \subset U \Rightarrow \{x\} \cup \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(\text{Int}(\{x\}))) \subset U$. Again, by Lemma 2. 1 one obtains $\text{spcl}(\{x\}) \subset U$.

➤ Theorem 4. 2. A topological space is sp-R_0 iff it is sp-T_1 .

→ Proof. Let X be a sp-R_0 space and $x \in X$. Then, by Lemma 2. 2, $\{x\} \in \text{SPO}(X)$ or $\{x\} \in \text{SPF}(X)$. If $\{x\} \in \text{SPO}(X)$ then $\text{spcl}(\{x\}) \subset \{x\} \Rightarrow \text{spcl}(\{x\}) = \{x\} \Rightarrow \{x\} \in \text{SPF}(X)$.

Thus in any case every one point set in X is semi- preclosed. Hence by Theorem 2. 1, X is sp-T_1 . Conversely, let X be sp-T_1 and $U \in \text{SPO}(X, x)$. The sp-T_1 -ness of X gives $\{x\} \in \text{SPF}(X)$ whence one deduces $\text{spcl}(\{x\}) \subset \{x\} \subset U \Rightarrow X$ is sp-R_0 .

➤ Theorem 4. 3. For a topological space (X, τ) the following statements are equivalent :

- (i) (X, τ) is sp-R_0 .
- (ii) For any $F \in \text{SPF}(X)$, $x \notin F$ there exists a $U \in \text{SPO}(X)$ such that $x \notin U$ and $F \subset U$.
- (iii) If $F \in \text{SPF}(X)$ and $x \notin F$ then $F \cap \text{spcl}(\{x\}) = \phi$.
- (iv) For any two points x and y of X

$$\text{spcl}(\{x\}) \neq \text{spcl}(\{y\}) \Rightarrow \text{spcl}(\{x\}) \cap \text{spcl}(\{y\}) = \phi.$$

→ Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii). Let (X, τ) be sp-R_0 , $F \in \text{SPF}(X)$ and $x \notin F$. Then $X - F \in \text{SPO}(X, x)$

$\Rightarrow \text{spcl}(\{x\}) \subset X - F \Rightarrow X - \text{spcl}(\{x\}) \supset F$. Set $U = X - \text{spcl}(\{x\})$. Clearly $U \in \text{SPO}(X)$, $x \notin U$ and $F \subset U$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii). Let $F \in \text{SPF}(X)$, $x \notin F$. By (ii) there exists $U \in \text{SPO}(X)$ such that $F \subset U$ and $x \notin U$. Now $U \cap \{x\} = \phi \Rightarrow U \cap \text{spcl}(\{x\}) = \phi \Rightarrow F \cap \text{spcl}(\{x\}) = \phi$.

(iii) \Rightarrow (iv). Suppose $\text{spcl}(\{x\}) \neq \text{spcl}(\{y\})$ for $x, y \in X$. Obviously, $x \neq y$. Now distinct semi-pre-closures indicates that there exists a $z \in \text{spcl}(\{x\})$ but $z \notin \text{spcl}(\{y\})$ or

$z \notin \text{spcl}(\{x\})$ but $z \in \text{spcl}(\{y\})$. To fix our ideas let $z \in \text{spcl}(\{x\})$ and $z \notin \text{spcl}(\{y\})$.

Since $z \notin \text{spcl}(\{y\})$ there exists a $V \in \text{SPO}(X, z)$ such that $\{y\} \cap V = \phi \Rightarrow y \notin V$. Again $z \in \text{spcl}(\{x\})$ yields that $x \in V$. Therefore, $V \in \text{SPO}(X, x)$ and hence $x \notin \text{spcl}(\{y\})$. If we write $F = \text{spcl}(\{y\})$, then $x \notin F$. Now using (iii) we deduce $\text{spcl}(\{x\}) \cap \text{spcl}(\{y\}) = \phi$.

(iv) \Rightarrow (i). Suppose (iv) holds. Let $x \in V \in \text{SPO}(X)$. Also let $y \notin V$. This, then, assures that $x \neq y$ and $x \notin \text{spcl}(\{y\})$. Thus $\text{spcl}(\{x\}) \neq \text{spcl}(\{y\})$. By (iv), $\text{spcl}(\{x\}) \cap \text{spcl}(\{y\}) = \phi$ for each $y \in X - V$. Let y run over $X - V$. Then from above

$$\text{spcl}(\{x\}) \cap (\cup \text{spcl}(\{y\})) = \phi. \text{ Since } X - V \text{ is a semi-preclosed set containing } \{y\},$$

$$X - V = \cup \text{spcl}(\{y\}). \text{ So from above } \text{spcl}(\{x\}) \cap (X - V) = \phi \Rightarrow \text{spcl}(\{x\}) \subset V.$$

$$y \in X - V$$

Hence (X, τ) is sp-R_0 .

➤ Lemma 4. 1. Let X be a topological space. Then for any two points $x, y \in X$
 $\text{sp-Ker}(\{x\}) \neq \text{sp-Ker}(\{y\})$ iff $\text{spcl}(\{x\}) \neq \text{spcl}(\{y\})$.

→ Proof. Suppose $\text{sp-Ker}(\{x\}) \neq \text{sp-Ker}(\{y\})$. This then guarantees the existence of a point z such that either $z \in \text{sp-Ker}(\{x\})$ but $z \notin \text{sp-Ker}(\{y\})$ or $z \notin \text{sp-Ker}(\{x\})$ but $z \in \text{sp-Ker}(\{y\})$. To fix our ideas let $z \in \text{sp-Ker}(\{x\})$. Since $z \in \text{sp-Ker}(\{x\})$, by Theorem 3. 1, one obtains $x \in \text{spcl}(\{z\})$. Again $z \notin \text{sp-Ker}(\{y\})$ ensures the emptiness of the set $\{y\} \cap \text{spcl}(\{z\})$. Now $x \in \text{spcl}(\{z\}) \Rightarrow \text{spcl}(\{x\}) \subset \text{spcl}(\{z\})$. Thus $\{y\} \cap \text{spcl}(\{x\}) = \phi \Rightarrow \text{spcl}(\{x\}) \neq \text{spcl}(\{y\})$. Next let $\text{spcl}(\{x\}) \neq \text{spcl}(\{y\})$. Then there exists a point $z \in X$ such that $z \in \text{spcl}(\{x\})$ but $z \notin \text{spcl}(\{y\})$. This indicates that there exists a $U \in \text{SPO}(X, z)$ such that $U \cap \{y\} = \phi$. Now $z \in \text{spcl}(\{x\}) \Rightarrow \{x\} \cap U \neq \phi \Rightarrow x \in U \Rightarrow x \notin \text{spcl}(\{y\}) \Rightarrow y \notin \text{sp-Ker}(\{x\}) \Rightarrow \text{sp-Ker}(\{x\}) \neq \text{sp-Ker}(\{y\})$.

➤ Example 4. 1. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ be the set with the topology $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}\}$. Then $\text{SPO}(X) = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$. Clearly X is not sp-R_0 . For $a, b \in X$ we note that

$\text{sp-Ker}(\{a\}) = \{a\}$ and $\text{sp-Ker}(\{b\}) = \{a, b\}$ i. e. $\text{sp-Ker}(\{a\}) \cap \text{sp-Ker}(\{b\}) \neq \phi$. Thus in an arbitrary topological space sp-Ker of any two points may not be disjoint. But the disjointness of sp-Ker of any two points characterises sp-R_0 space. In fact we have

➤ Theorem 4. 4. A topological space (X, τ) is sp-R_0 iff $x, y \in X$ and

$$\text{sp-Ker}(\{x\}) \neq \text{sp-Ker}(\{y\}) \Rightarrow \text{sp-Ker}(\{x\}) \cap \text{sp-Ker}(\{y\}) = \phi.$$

→ Proof. Necessity. Let X be $sp-R_0$ and $x, y \in X$ be such that $sp-Ker(\{x\}) \neq sp-Ker(\{y\})$.

Lemma 4. 1 yields $spcl(\{x\}) \neq spcl(\{y\})$. If possible suppose $sp-Ker(\{x\}) \cap sp-Ker(\{y\}) \neq \emptyset$. Let $z \in sp-Ker(\{x\}) \cap sp-Ker(\{y\})$. Since $z \in sp-Ker(\{x\})$ by Theorem 3. 1, $x \in spcl(\{z\}) \Rightarrow spcl(\{x\}) \cap spcl(\{z\}) \neq \emptyset$. The $sp-R_0$ -ness of X and Theorem 4. 3 together indicate that $spcl(\{x\}) = spcl(\{z\})$. Similarly $spcl(\{z\}) = spcl(\{y\}) \Rightarrow spcl(\{x\}) = spcl(\{y\}) \Rightarrow$ a contradiction. Hence $sp-Ker(\{x\}) \cap sp-Ker(\{y\}) = \emptyset$.

➤ Sufficiency. Let the given condition holds and $x, y \in X$ with $spcl(\{x\}) \neq spcl(\{y\})$. Then by Lemma 4. 1 $sp-Ker(\{x\}) \neq sp-Ker(\{y\}) \Rightarrow sp-Ker(\{x\}) \cap sp-Ker(\{y\}) = \emptyset$. We assert that $spcl(\{x\}) \cap spcl(\{y\}) = \emptyset$. If possible suppose $spcl(\{x\}) \cap spcl(\{y\}) \neq \emptyset$. This indicates that there exists a $z \in spcl(\{x\})$ and $z \in spcl(\{y\}) \Rightarrow x \in sp-Ker(\{z\})$ and also $y \in sp-Ker(\{z\}) \Rightarrow sp-Ker(\{x\}) \cap sp-Ker(\{z\}) \neq \emptyset$ and $sp-Ker(\{y\}) \cap sp-Ker(\{z\}) \neq \emptyset$. Then by hypothesis $sp-Ker(\{x\}) = sp-Ker(\{z\}) = sp-Ker(\{y\}) \Rightarrow$ a contradiction to the foregoing. Therefore $spcl(\{x\}) \cap spcl(\{y\}) = \emptyset$. Hence by Theorem 4. 3, (X, τ) is $sp-R_0$.

➤ Theorem 4. 5. For a topological space (X, τ) the following statements are equivalent :

(i) (X, τ) is $sp-R_0$ space.

(ii) For any non-empty set A and any $G \in SPO(X)$ with $A \cap G \neq \emptyset$, there exists a $F \in SPF(X)$ such that $A \cap F \neq \emptyset$ and $F \subset G$.

(iii) $G \in SPO(X) \Rightarrow G = \cup \{F : F \in SPF(X), F \subset G\}$.

(iv) $F \in SPF(X) \Rightarrow F = \cap \{G : G \in SPO(X), F \subset G\}$.

(v) $x \in X \Rightarrow spcl(\{x\}) \subset sp-Ker(\{x\})$.

→ Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii). Suppose $A \neq \emptyset$, $G \in SPO(X)$ and $A \cap G \neq \emptyset$. Let $x \in A \cap G$. Put $F = spcl(\{x\})$. Then $F \in SPF(X, x)$.

Since X is $sp-R_0$, $x \in G \in SPO(X) \Rightarrow spcl(\{x\}) \subset G \Rightarrow F \subset G$. Finally $x \in F$ and $x \in A$ ensures that $A \cap F \neq \emptyset$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii). Assume $G \in SPO(X)$. Clearly $\cup \{F : F \in SPF(X), F \subset G\} \subset G$. To prove the reverse inclusion suppose $x \in G$. By hypothesis there exists a $F \in SPF(X)$ such that

$x \in F$ and $F \subset G$, which, in its turn, imply that $x \in F \subset \cup \{F : F \in SPF(X), F \subset G\}$. Hence $G = \cup \{F : F \in SPF(X), F \subset G\}$. (1).

(iii) \Rightarrow (iv). Assume that (iii) holds. An application of De Morgan's Law to (1) yields the desired result.

(iv) \Rightarrow (v). Let $x, y \in X$ with the property $y \notin sp-Ker(\{x\})$. Then there exists a $U \in SPO(X, x)$ such that $y \notin U$. Hence $\{y\} \cap U = \emptyset$ whence $spcl(\{y\}) \cap U = \emptyset$. Now, by (iv), we have $spcl(\{y\}) = \cap \{G : G \in SPO(X), spcl(\{y\}) \subset G\}$. So, from above

$\cap \{G : G \in SPO(X), spcl(\{y\}) \subset G\} \cap U = \emptyset$. This, then, ensures the existence of a $G \in SPO(X)$ such that $spcl(\{y\}) \subset G$ and $x \notin G$. So $\{x\} \cap G = \emptyset$ whence $spcl(\{x\}) \cap G = \emptyset$.

This gives $y \notin spcl(\{x\})$. Consequently $spcl(\{x\}) \subset sp-Ker(\{x\})$. (v) \Rightarrow (ii). Let $G \in SPO(X, x)$. By definition $sp-Ker(\{x\}) \subset G$. Also by (v)

$spcl(\{x\}) \subset sp-Ker(\{x\})$. So, $x \in spcl(\{x\}) \subset sp-Ker(\{x\}) \subset G \Rightarrow spcl(\{x\}) \subset G$.

Thus $x \in G \Rightarrow spcl(\{x\}) \subset G \Rightarrow X$ is $sp-R_0$.

➤ Corollary 4. 1. (X, τ) is a $sp-R_0$ space iff $spcl(\{x\}) = sp-Ker(\{x\})$ for all $x \in X$.

→ Proof. Let (X, τ) be $sp-R_0$ and $y \in sp-Ker(\{x\})$. Then Theorem 3. 1 gives $x \in spcl(\{y\})$. Hence $spcl(\{x\}) \cap spcl(\{y\}) \neq \emptyset$. Therefore, by Theorem 4. 3, $spcl(\{x\}) = spcl(\{y\})$ from which one concludes $y \in spcl(\{x\}) \Rightarrow sp-Ker(\{y\}) \subset spcl(\{x\})$. The reverse inclusion because of $sp-R_0$ -ness, directly follows from Theorem 4. 5(v). Hence $spcl(\{x\}) = sp-Ker(\{y\})$. Conversely, $sp-R_0$ -ness of X follows readily from (v) of Theorem 4. 5.

➤ Theorem 4. 6. For a topological space X , the following statements are equivalent :

(i) X is $sp-R_0$.

(ii) $F \in SPF(X)$ then $F = sp-Ker(F)$.

(iii) $F \in SPF(X)$ and $x \in F$, then $sp-Ker(\{x\}) \subset F$.

(iv) If $x \in X$, then $sp-Ker(\{x\}) \subset spcl(\{x\})$.

→ Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii). This follows from Theorem 4. 5(iv) and the definition of $sp-Ker$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii). Let $F \in SPF(X)$ and $x \in F$. Clearly $\{x\} \subset F \Rightarrow sp-Ker(\{x\}) \subset sp-Ker(F) = F$.

(iii) \Rightarrow (iv). Suppose $x \in X$. Obviously $spcl(\{x\}) \in SPF(X)$ and $x \in spcl(\{x\})$.

Therefore by (iii) $sp-Ker(\{x\}) \subset spcl(\{x\})$.

(iv) \Rightarrow (i). Let $y \in X$ and $x \in X$ be such that $x \in spcl(\{y\})$. Then, by Theorem 3. 1, $y \in sp-Ker(\{x\})$. By hypothesis $sp-Ker(\{x\}) \subset spcl(\{x\})$ which, in its turn, indicates that $y \in spcl(\{x\})$. This then implies, again by Theorem 3. 1, that $x \in sp-Ker(\{y\})$. From this one infers that $spcl(\{y\}) \subset sp-Ker(\{y\})$. Hence by Theorem 4. 5(v), X is $sp-R_0$.

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