



On weaker types of continuity with a little help of ideals¹

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$\langle X, \tau, \mathcal{I} \rangle$ - ideal topological space [Kuratowski 1933]

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- (1) $A \subseteq B \Rightarrow A^* \subseteq B^*$;
- (2) $A^* = \text{Cl}(A^*) \subseteq \text{Cl}(A)$;
- (3) $(A^*)^* \subseteq A^*$;
- (4) $(A \cup B)^* = A^* \cup B^*$
- (5) If $I \in \mathcal{I}$, then $(A \cup I)^* = A^* = (A \setminus I)^*$.

Topology τ^*

Definition

$\text{Cl}^*(A) = A \cup A^*$ is a Kuratowski closure operator, and therefore it generates a topology on X

$$\tau^*(\mathcal{I}) = \{A : \text{Cl}^*(X \setminus A) = X \setminus A\}.$$

Set A is closed in τ^* iff $A^* \subseteq A$.

$$\psi(A) = X \setminus (X \setminus A)^*$$

$$O \in \tau^* \Leftrightarrow O \subseteq \psi(O)$$

$$\tau \subseteq \tau^* = \tau^{**}$$

$\beta(\mathcal{I}, \tau) = \{V \setminus I : V \in \tau, I \in \mathcal{I}\}$ is a basis for τ^*

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If $Fin \subseteq \mathcal{I}$ then $\langle X, \tau^* \rangle$ is T_1 space.

If $\mathcal{I} = Fin$, then $\tau_{ad}^*(\mathcal{I})$ is the cofinite topology on X .

If $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{I}_{m0}$ - ideal of the sets of measure zero, then τ^* -Borel sets are precisely the Lebesgue measurable sets. (Scheinberg 1971)

For $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{I}_{nwd}$ then $A^* = Cl(Int(Cl(A)))$ and $\tau^*(\mathcal{I}_{nwd}) = \tau^\alpha$. (α -open sets, $A \subseteq Int(Cl(Int(A)))$). (Njástad 1965)

θ -open sets

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θ open sets forms topology τ_θ and $\tau_\theta \subseteq \tau$

Space is T_3 iff $\tau_\theta = \tau$

$$A \subseteq \text{Cl}_\theta(A) \subseteq \text{Cl}_{\tau_\theta}(A)$$

Local closure function

$$x \in \Gamma_{(\tau, \mathcal{I})}(A) \Leftrightarrow \forall U \in \tau(x) \quad \text{Cl}(U) \cap A \notin \mathcal{I}$$

If $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ then $\Gamma(A) = \text{Cl}_\theta(A)$

Γ -local closure function

Introduced by Al-Omari and Noiri [1] in 2013.

$$\psi_\Gamma(A) = X \setminus \Gamma(X \setminus A)$$

Topology σ is defined by ψ_Γ :

$$A \in \sigma \Leftrightarrow A \subseteq \psi_\Gamma(A).$$

F is a closed set σ iff $\Gamma(F) \subseteq F$.

$$\tau_\theta \subseteq \sigma$$

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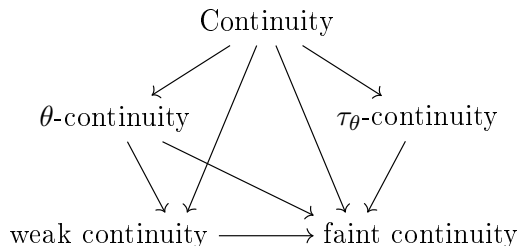
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If $f : \langle X, \tau_X \rangle \rightarrow \langle Y, \tau_Y \rangle$ is XXXXXXXX-continuous, what can we conclude about function if we change topologies by ideals?

Continuity

Theorem

Let $\langle X, \tau_X, \mathcal{I}_X \rangle$ and $\langle Y, \tau_Y, \mathcal{I}_Y \rangle$ be ideal topological spaces. If $f : \langle X, \tau_X \rangle \rightarrow \langle Y, \tau_Y \rangle$ is a continuous function and for all $I \in \mathcal{I}_Y$ we have $f^{-1}[I] \in \mathcal{I}_X$. Then there hold the following equivalent conditions:

- a) $\forall A \subseteq X \ f[A^*] \subseteq (f[A])^*$;
- b) $\forall B \subseteq Y \ (f^{-1}[B])^* \subseteq f^{-1}[B^*]$.

which implies the following three equivalent conditions:

- c) $\forall A \subseteq X \ f[\text{Cl}^*(A)] \subseteq \text{Cl}^*(f[A])$;
- d) $\forall B \subseteq Y \ \text{Cl}^*((f^{-1}[B])) \subseteq f^{-1}[\text{Cl}^*(B)]$;
- e) $f : \langle X, \tau_X^* \rangle \rightarrow \langle Y, \tau_Y^* \rangle$ is a continuous function.

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Corollary

If $f : \langle X, \tau_X \rangle \rightarrow \langle Y, \tau_Y \rangle$ is a θ -continuous function then $f : \langle X, (\tau_\theta)_X \rangle \rightarrow \langle Y, (\tau_\theta)_Y \rangle$ is continuous.

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- a) $\forall A \subseteq X \quad f[A^*] \subseteq \Gamma(f[A])$;
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Corollary (Long and Herrington 1982)

If $f : \langle X, \tau_X \rangle \rightarrow \langle Y, \tau_Y \rangle$ is a weakly continuous function then $f : \langle X, \tau_X \rangle \rightarrow \langle Y, (\tau_\theta)_Y \rangle$ is continuous, which is equivalent to faint continuity of $f : \langle X, \tau_X \rangle \rightarrow \langle Y, \tau_Y \rangle$.

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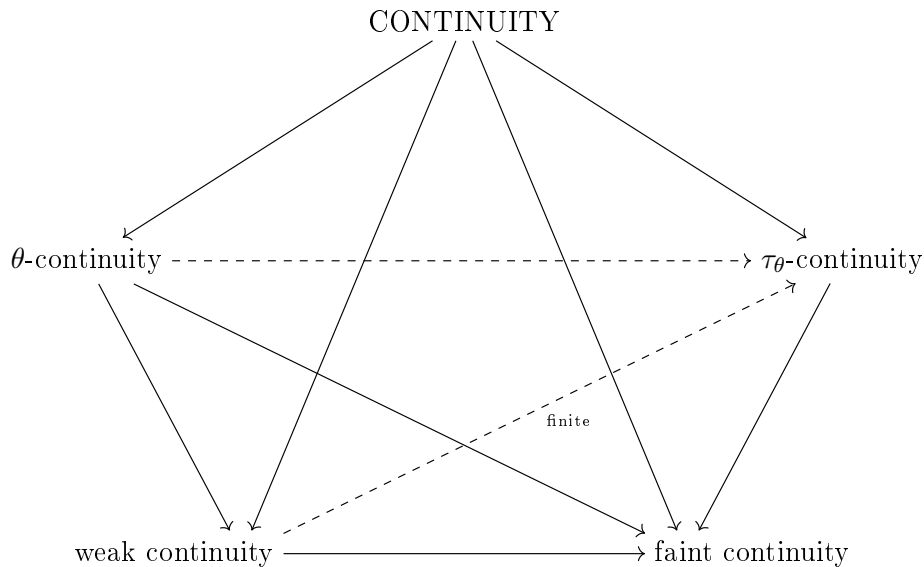
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$f(x_0) = y_0, f(x_1) = y_1, f(n) = \langle n, 1 \rangle$, for $n \in \omega$.



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