

## **BETWEEN REGULAR OPEN SETS AND $\theta$ -OPEN SETS**

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**Abstract:** In the year 1937 Stone introduced the concepts of regular open sets and regular closed sets to characterize Boolean Algebra. In the year 1968, Velicko studied  $\theta$ -open sets for a given topology on a non-empty set  $X$ . In this paper, the notions of regular  $\theta$ -open, regular  $\theta$ -closed, regular  $\theta^*$ - open, regular  $\theta^*$ - closed, regular  $\theta^{**}$ - open, regular  $\theta^{**}$ - closed,  $\theta$ - regular open and  $\theta$ - regular closed sets are introduced and their basic properties have been discussed.

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**Introduction and preliminaries:** The notions of  $\theta$  - open sets and regular open sets in a topological space were studied by Velicko and Stone respectively. In this paper several versions of nearly open sets have been introduced by mixing the concepts of  $\theta$ - Open sets and regular open sets. Throughout this paper  $(X, \tau)$  is a topological space and  $A$  is a subset of  $X$ . The interior of  $A$  and closure of  $A$  with respect to the topology  $\tau$  were denoted by  $\text{int } A$  and  $\text{cl } A$  respectively.

**Definition 1.1:**  $A$  is regular open [1] if  $A = \text{int } \text{cl } A$  and is regular closed if  $A = \text{cl } \text{int } A$ .

**Definition 1.2:**  $A$  is  $\theta$  - open [2] if for all  $x \in A$  there exists an open set  $U$  with  $x \in U \subseteq \text{cl } U \subseteq A$ .

**Definition 1.3 :**  $A$  is pre open [3] if  $A \subseteq \text{int } \text{cl } A$  and is pre closed if  $A \supseteq \text{cl } \text{int } A$ .

**Definition 1.4 :**  $A$  is semi open [4] if  $A \subseteq \text{cl } \text{int } A$  and is semi closed if  $A \supseteq \text{cl } \text{int } A$ .

**$\theta$ -Regular Open Sets:** In this section  $\Theta$ -regular open sets and  $\Theta$ -regular closed sets are introduced and studied.

**Definition 2.1:**  $A$  is  $\theta$ -regular open if for all  $x \in A$  there exists a regular open set  $U$  with  $x \in U \subseteq \text{cl } U \subseteq A$  and  $A$  is  $\theta$ -regular closed if  $X - A$  is  $\theta$ -regular open.

**Proposition 2.2:** Let  $A$  be a subset of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then

- (i)  $A$  is  $\theta$ -regular open  $\Rightarrow \theta$  - open,
- (ii)  $A$  is  $\theta$ -regular closed  $\Rightarrow \theta$  - closed,
- (iii) the converses of (i) and (ii) are not true.

**Proof:** (i) and (ii) follow for Definition 1.2 and Definition 2.1. The converses are not true. For,  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$   $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$ . It is easy to see that  $\{b, c, d\}$  is  $\Theta$ - Open but not  $\Theta$  - regular open.

**Proposition 2.3:**

- (i) The intersection of two  $\theta$  -regular open sets is  $\theta$ -regular open.
- (ii) The union of two  $\theta$  -regular open sets need not be  $\theta$  - regular open.
- (iii) The union of two  $\theta$  -regular closed sets is  $\theta$ -regular closed.
- (iv) The intersection of two  $\theta$  -regular closed sets need not be  $\theta$  - regular closed.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be any two  $\Theta$ -regular open sets in  $(X, \tau)$ . Let  $x \in A \cup B$ . Then there are regular open sets  $U$  and  $V$  with  $x \in U \subseteq \text{cl } U \subseteq A$  and  $x \in V \subseteq \text{cl } V \subseteq B$ . That is  $x \in U \cap V \subseteq \text{cl } (U \cap V) \subseteq \text{cl } U \cap \text{cl } V \subseteq A \cap B$ . Since  $U \cap V$  is regular open,  $A \cap B$  is  $\Theta$ -regular open. This proves (i). Now to prove (iii), let  $A$  and  $B$  be any two  $\Theta$ -regular closed sets in  $(X, \tau)$ . That is  $X-A$  and  $X-B$  are  $\Theta$ -regular open in  $(X, \tau)$ . So, by (i),  $(X-A) \cap (X-B)$  is  $\Theta$ -regular open and hence  $A \cup B$  is  $\Theta$ -regular closed. This proves (iii). Examples can be constructed to establish (ii) and (iv).

**Regular  $\theta$ -Open Sets:** In this section regular  $\theta$ -open sets and regular  $\theta$ -closed sets are introduced and studied.

**Definition 3.1:**  $A$  is regular  $\theta$ -open if  $A = \text{int}_\theta \text{cl}_\theta A$  and is regular  $\theta$ -closed if  $A = \text{cl}_\theta \text{int}_\theta A$ . The concepts of regular  $\theta$ -open and  $\theta$ -regular open sets are independent. Also the concepts of regular  $\theta$ -closed and  $\theta$ -regular closed sets are independent. The next two propositions can be proved easily and counter examples can be constructed.

**Proposition 3.2:**

- (i) If  $A$  is  $\theta$ -closed then  $\text{int}_\theta A$  is regular  $\theta$ -open.
- (ii) If  $A$  and  $B$  are regular  $\theta$ -open sets then  $A \subseteq B \Leftrightarrow \text{cl}_\theta A \subseteq \text{cl}_\theta B$ .
- (iii) The intersection of two regular  $\theta$ -open sets is regular  $\theta$ -open.
- (iv) The union of two regular  $\theta$ -open sets need not regular  $\theta$ -open.
- (v) The complement of a regular  $\theta$ -open set is regular  $\theta$ -closed.

**Proposition 3.3:**

- (i) If  $A$  is  $\theta$ -open then  $\text{cl}_\theta A$  is regular  $\theta$ -closed.
- (ii) If  $A$  and  $B$  are regular  $\theta$ -closed sets then  $A \subseteq B \Leftrightarrow \text{int}_\theta A \subseteq \text{int}_\theta B$ .
- (iii) The intersection of two regular  $\theta$ -closed sets need not be regular  $\theta$ -closed.
- (iv) The union of two regular  $\theta$ -closed sets is regular  $\theta$ -closed.
- (v) The complement of a regular  $\theta$ -closed set is regular  $\theta$ -open.

**Regular  $\theta^*$ -open sets:** In this section regular  $\theta^*$ -open sets and regular  $\theta^*$ -closed sets are introduced and studied.

**Definition 4.1:**  $A$  is regular  $\theta^*$ -open if  $A = \text{int}_\theta \text{cl } A$  and is regular  $\theta$ -closed if  $A = \text{cl}_\theta \text{int } A$ . The concepts of regular  $\theta$ -open and regular  $\theta^*$ -open sets are independent. Also the concepts of regular  $\theta$ -closed and regular  $\theta^*$ -closed sets are independent. The next two propositions can be proved easily and counter examples can be constructed.

**Proposition 4.2:**

- (i) If  $A$  is closed then  $\text{int}_\theta A$  is regular  $\theta^*$ -open.
- (ii) If  $A$  and  $B$  are regular  $\theta^*$ -open sets then  $A \subseteq B \Leftrightarrow \text{cl } A \subseteq \text{cl } B$ .
- (iii) The intersection of two regular  $\theta^*$ -open sets need not be regular  $\theta^*$ -open.
- (iv) The union of two regular  $\theta^*$ -open sets need not regular  $\theta^*$ -open.
- (v) The complement of a regular  $\theta^*$ -open set is regular  $\theta^*$ -closed.
- (vi) If  $A$  is regular  $\theta^*$ -open then it is pre-open.

**Proposition 4.3:**

- (i) If  $A$  is open then  $\text{cl}_\theta A$  is regular  $\theta^*$ -closed.
- (ii) If  $A$  and  $B$  are regular  $\theta^*$ -closed then  $A \subseteq B \Leftrightarrow \text{int } A \subseteq \text{int } B$ .
- (iii) The intersection of two regular  $\theta^*$ -closed sets need not be regular  $\theta^*$ -closed.
- (iv) The union of two regular  $\theta^*$ -closed sets need not regular  $\theta^*$ -closed.
- (v) The complement of a regular  $\theta^*$ -closed set is regular  $\theta^*$ -open.
- (vi) If  $A$  is regular  $\theta^*$ -closed then it is pre-closed.

**Regular  $\theta^{**}$ -Open Sets:** In this section regular  $\theta^{**}$ - open sets and regular  $\theta^{**}$ - closed sets are introduced and studied.

**Definition 5.1:** A is regular  $\theta^{**}$ -open if  $A = \text{int } cl_{\theta} A$  and is regular  $\theta^{**}$ -closed if  $A = cl \text{ int}_{\theta} A$ .  
The next two propositions can be proved easily and counter examples can be constructed.

**Proposition 5.2:**

- (i) If A is  $\theta$ -closed then  $\text{int } A$  is regular  $\theta^{**}$ -open.
- (ii) If A and B are regular  $\theta^{**}$ -open sets then  $A \subseteq B \Leftrightarrow cl_{\theta} A \subseteq cl_{\theta} B$ .
- (iii) The intersection of two regular  $\theta^{**}$ -open sets need not be regular  $\theta^{**}$ -open .
- (iv) The union of two regular  $\theta^{**}$ -open sets need not regular  $\theta^{**}$ -open .
- (v) The complement of a regular  $\theta^{**}$ -open set is regular  $\theta^{**}$ -closed.
- (vi) If A is regular  $\theta^{**}$ -open then it is semi-closed.

**Proposition 5.3:**

- (i) If A is  $\theta$ -open then  $cl A$  is regular  $\theta^{**}$ -closed.
- (ii) If A and B are regular  $\theta^{**}$ -closed sets then  $A \subseteq B \Leftrightarrow \text{int}_{\theta} A \subseteq \text{int}_{\theta} B$ .
- (iii) The intersection of two regular  $\theta^{**}$ -closed sets need not be regular  $\theta^{**}$ -closed .
- (iv) The union of two regular  $\theta^{**}$ -closed sets need not regular  $\theta^{**}$ -closed.
- (v) The complement of a regular  $\theta^{**}$ -closed set is regular  $\theta^{**}$ -open.
- (vi) If A is regular  $\theta^{**}$ -closed then it is semi-open.

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