

Characteristic of Topology in terms of Kuratowski closure operator

Kuratowski closure operator - Let (X, T) be topological space. A closure operator on X is a function $C: P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ satisfying the following four conditions known as Kuratowski closure axioms:

$$[K1] \quad C(\emptyset) = \emptyset$$

$$[K2] \quad A \subset C(A)$$

$$[K3] \quad C(A \cup B) = C(A) \cup C(B)$$

$$[K4] \quad C(C(A)) = C(A)$$

where A and B are any subset of X .

It is found that there are many different ways of defining a topology other than open set approach e.g. closed set approach, nbhd approach, closure approach etc.

Here we associate a topology T on X with a closure operator C in such a way that T -closure of each subset A of X is precisely $C(A)$.

Theorem - Let X be any set and C be the Kuratowski closure operator on X then there exists a unique topology T on X s.t. for each $A \subset X$, $C(A)$ coincides with T -closure of A .

Proof - let c be the Kuratowski closure operator on X i.e. a function

$c: P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ such that

- (K1) $c(\emptyset) = \emptyset$
- (K2) $A \subset c(A) \quad \forall A \subset X$
- (K3) $c(A \cup B) = c(A) \cup c(B) \quad \forall A, B \subset X$
- (K4) $c(c(A)) = c(A) \quad \forall A \subset X$

let \mathcal{F} be the collection of all subsets F of X such that $c(F) = F$ i.e.

$$\mathcal{F} = \{F: F \subset X \text{ and } c(F) = F\}$$

We must show that \mathcal{F} satisfies all the following conditions of characterization of a topological space in terms of the closed set

(i) $\emptyset \in \mathcal{F}, X \in \mathcal{F}$

(ii) $F_1, F_2 \in \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow F_1 \cup F_2 \in \mathcal{F}$

(iii) $F_\lambda \in \mathcal{F} \quad \forall \lambda \in \Lambda \Rightarrow \bigcap \{F_\lambda: \lambda \in \Lambda\} \in \mathcal{F}$

(i) by (K1), $\emptyset \in \mathcal{F}$

by (K2) $X \in c(X)$ but $c(X) \subset X$ always

$$\text{so } c(X) = X \Rightarrow X \in \mathcal{F}$$

(ii) let $F_1, F_2 \in \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow c(F_1) = F_1 \ \& \ c(F_2) = F_2$

$$\Rightarrow c(F_1) \cup c(F_2) = F_1 \cup F_2$$

$$\Rightarrow c(F_1 \cup F_2) = F_1 \cup F_2 \text{ by (K3)}$$

$$\Rightarrow F_1 \cup F_2 \in \mathcal{F}$$

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