

## ON M-OPEN MAPPINGS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we introduce  $m$ -open(closed) mappings by  $m$ -sets, and obtain a number of their properties. In particular,  $m$ -open(closed) mappings are used to extend known results for  $\alpha$ -open mapping, semi-open mappings and preopen mappings.

### 1. Introduction

Let  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  be topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed unless explicitly stated. Let  $S$  be a subset of  $X$ . The closure (resp. interior, boundary) of  $S$  will be denoted by  $S^-$  (resp.  $S^0, b(S)$ ). A subset  $S$  of  $X$  is called semi-open set[1] (resp. preopen set[2],  $\alpha$ -set[3]) if  $S \subset S^{0-}$  (resp.  $S \subset S^{-0}, S \subset S^{0-0}$ ). The complement of a semi-open set (resp. preopen set,  $\alpha$ -set) is called semi-closed set (resp. preclosed set,  $\alpha$ -closed set). The family of all semi-open sets (resp. preopen sets,  $\alpha$ -sets) in  $X$  will be denoted by  $SO(X)$  (resp.  $PO(X), \alpha(X)$ ). A function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is called semi-open mapping[5] (resp. pre-open mapping[2],  $\alpha$ -open mapping[6]) if  $f(U) \in SO(X)$  (resp.  $f(U) \in PO(X), f(U) \in \alpha(X)$ ) for each open set  $U$  of  $X$ .

A subclass  $\tau^* \subset P(X)$  is called a supratopology on  $X$  if  $X \in \tau^*$  and  $\tau^*$  is closed under arbitrary union.  $(X, \tau^*)$  is called a supratopological space. The members of  $\tau^*$  are called supraopen sets[7]. Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $\tau^*$  be a supratopology on  $X$ . We call  $\tau^*$  a supratopology associated with  $\tau$  if  $\tau \subset \tau^*$ . The topological space  $(X, \tau)$  with  $\tau^*$  will be denoted by  $(X, \tau, \tau^*)$ . Let  $(X, \tau)$  be topological space and  $(Y, \mu^*)$  be supratopological space. A function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is an  $s$ -open( $s$ -closed) mapping if the image of each open(closed) set in  $X$  is a supraopen(supra-closed) set in  $Y$ [7]. Let  $(X, \tau^*)$  be a supratopological

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space. A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is called an  $m$ -set with  $\tau^*$  if  $A \cap T \in \tau^*$  for all  $T \in \tau^*[4]$ . The class of all  $m$ -sets with  $\tau^*$  will be denoted by  $\tau_m$ . A subset  $B$  of  $X$  is called an  $m$ -closed set if the complement of  $B$  is an  $m$ -set. In this paper, we introduce  $m$ -open(closed) mappings by  $m$ -sets, and obtained a number of their properties. In particular, a mapping  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \mu^*)$  is  $m$ -open if and only if for each  $x \in X$  and each open set  $U$  of  $X$  containing  $x$ , there exists an  $m$ -open set  $W \subset Y$  containing  $f(x)$  such that  $W \subset f(U)$ . And  $m$ -open(closed) mappings are used to extend known results for  $\alpha$ -open mapping, semi-open mappings and preopen mappings. Finally we get that if  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \mu, PO(Y))$  is  $\alpha$ -open, then  $f$  is  $m$ -open.

### **$m$ -open(closed) mappings**

DEFINITION 2.1. Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $(Y, \mu^*)$  be a supratopological space. A mapping  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \mu^*)$  is called an  $m$ -open( $m$ -closed) mapping if the image of each open(closed) set in  $X$  is an  $m$ -set( $m$ -closed set).

From the above definition,  $m$ -open( $m$ -closed) mappings are  $s$ -open ( $s$ -closed) mappings. The converse of these implications is not true as the following example illustrates.

EXAMPLE 2.2. Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a, b\}\}$ . Consider  $\tau^* = \{\phi, X, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{c, a\}\}$ . Then  $\tau_m = \{\phi, X\}$ . If  $f : X \rightarrow X$  is the identity mapping, then  $f$  is an  $s$ -open mapping but it is not an  $m$ -open mapping.

By the bellow two examples, we know the independence of the concepts of open mappings and  $m$ -open mappings.

EXAMPLE 2.3. Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a, b\}\}$  and  $\tau^* = \{\phi, X, \{a, b\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, d\}\}$ . Then  $\tau_m = \{\phi, X, \{a, b, d\}\}$ . If  $f : X \rightarrow X$  is the identity mapping, then  $f$  is an open mapping but it is not an  $m$ -open mapping.

EXAMPLE 2.4. Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  and  $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a, b\}\}$ . Let  $Y = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ ,  $\mu = \{\phi, Y, \{1\}\}$  and

$$\mu^* = \{\phi, Y, \{1\}, \{2, 3\}, \{1, 2, 3\}, \{2, 3, 4\}, \{1, 4\}\}.$$

Then  $\mu_m = \{\phi, Y, \{1\}, \{2, 3\}, \{1, 2, 3\}\}$ . If a mapping  $g : X \rightarrow Y$  is defined by  $g(a) = 2$ ,  $g(b) = 3$ ,  $g(c) = 1$ , and  $g(d) = 1$ , then  $g$  is an  $m$ -open mapping but it is not an open mapping.

Now we get the following thing, by the definitions  $m$ -sets and  $m$ -open mappings.

**THEOREM 2.5.** *If  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \mu, \mu^*)$  is an open mapping and  $\mu \subset \mu_m$ , then  $f$  is an  $m$ -open mapping and  $s$ -open mapping.*

**COROLLARY 2.6.** *If  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \mu, SO(Y))$  is an open mapping, then  $f$  is an  $\alpha$ -open mapping and semi-open mapping.*

*Proof.* Since every  $m$ -set with the supratopology  $SO(Y)$  is an  $\alpha$ -set,  $\mu \subset \alpha(X) = \mu_m$ . By Theorem 2.5, we get that  $f$  is  $\alpha$ -open and semi-open.  $\square$

**LEMMA 2.7.** *For a topological space  $(Y, \mu, PO(Y))$ , we have  $\alpha(Y) \subset \mu_m$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $A \in \alpha(Y)$ . Then for all  $B \in \mu^* = PO(Y)$ ,  $A \cap B \subset A^{0-0} \cap B^{-0} \subset (A \cap B)^{-0}$ . Thus  $A \cap B \subset PO(Y)$ .  $\square$

**THEOREM 2.8.** *If  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \mu, PO(Y))$  is  $\alpha$ -open, then  $f$  is  $m$ -open and pre-open.*

*Proof.* By Lemma 2.7, it is obvious.  $\square$

**THEOREM 2.9.** *A mapping  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \mu^*)$  is  $m$ -open if and only if for each  $x \in X$  and each open set  $U$  of  $X$  containing  $x$ , there exists an  $m$ -open set  $W \subset Y$  containing  $f(x)$  such that  $W \subset f(U)$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $f$  is an  $m$ -open mapping. For each  $x \in X$  and each open set  $U$  of  $X$  containing  $x$ ,  $f(U)$  is an  $m$ -open set in  $Y$  containing  $f(x)$ . Set  $W = f(U)$ , then  $W$  is an  $m$ -open set containing  $f(x)$  such that  $W \subset f(U)$ .

Conversely, it is obvious.  $\square$

**COROLLARY 2.10.** *Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \mu, SO(Y))$  be a mapping, then  $f$  is  $\alpha$ -open if and only if for each  $x \in X$  and each open set  $U$  of  $X$  containing  $x$ , there exists an  $\alpha$ -open set  $W \subset Y$  containing  $f(x)$  such that  $W \subset f(U)$ .*

*Proof.* It follows from  $\alpha(Y) = \mu_m$  in the supratopology  $SO(Y)$ .  $\square$

**THEOREM 2.11.** *A mapping  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \mu^*)$  is an  $m$ -closed mapping if and only if  $mcl(f(A)) \subset f(A^-)$  for each  $A \subset X$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $f$  is an  $m$ -closed mapping. For each  $A \subset X$ , since  $f(A^-)$  is an  $m$ -closed set, we have  $f(A^-) = mcl(f(A^-)) \supset mcl f(A)$ .

Conversely, let  $A$  closed in  $X$ . Since  $mcl(f(A)) \subset f(A^-) = f(A)$ ,  $f(A)$  is an  $m$ -closed set, and hence  $f$  is  $m$ -closed.  $\square$

**COROLLARY 2.12.** *Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \mu, SO(Y))$  be a mapping, then  $f$  is an  $\alpha$ -closed mapping if and only if  $cl_\alpha(f(A)) \subset f(A^-)$  for each  $A \subset X$ .*

**THEOREM 2.13.** *A mapping  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \mu^*)$  is  $m$ -open (  $m$ -closed ) if and only if a mapping  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \mu_m)$  is open ( closed ).*

*Proof.* If  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \mu^*)$  is an  $m$ -open( $m$ -closed) mapping then image of each open(closed) set in  $X$  is an  $m$ -set( $m$ -closed set) in  $\mu^*$ . Since  $m$ -sets( $m$ -closed sets) in  $\mu^*$  are open(closed) sets in  $\mu_m$ .

The converse is obvious.  $\square$

Theorem 2 of [8] follows immediately from Theorem 2.13 and  $\mu_m = \alpha(X)$ . Thus we get the following thing.

**COROLLARY 2.14.** *A mapping  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \mu, SO(Y))$  is  $\alpha$ -open (  $\alpha$ -closed ) if and only if  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \mu_m)$  is an open(closed) mapping.*

**THEOREM 2.15.** *A mapping  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \mu^*)$  is an  $m$ -open mapping. If  $W \subset Y$  and  $F \subset X$  is a closed set containing  $f^{-1}(W)$ , then there exists an  $m$ -closed set  $H \subset Y$  containing  $W$  such that  $f^{-1}(H) \subset F$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $W \subset Y$  and let  $F \subset X$  be a closed set containing  $f^{-1}(W)$ . Set  $H = Y - f(X - F)$ . Then  $H$  is an  $m$ -closed set,  $f^{-1}(H) \subset F$ , and  $W \subset H$ .  $\square$

COROLLARY 2.16. Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \mu, SO(Y))$  be a mapping, then if  $f$  is  $\alpha$ -open,  $W \subset Y$ , and  $F \subset X$  is a closed set containing  $f^{-1}(W)$ , then there exists an  $\alpha$ -closed set,  $H \subset Y$  containing  $W$  such that  $f^{-1}(H) \subset F$ .

REMARKS. Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \mu, \mu^*)$  be a function. In conclusion we can get the following diagrams :

(1) In  $\mu \subset \mu_m$ , open  $\implies m$ -open  $\implies s$ -open

(2) In  $\mu^* = SO(Y)$ , open  $\implies m$ -open(= $\alpha$ -open)  $\implies$  semi-open

(3) In  $\mu^* = PO(Y)$ , open  $\implies \alpha$ -open  $\implies m$ -open  $\implies$  pre-open

(4) If  $f$  is an open mapping and  $g : (Y, \mu) \rightarrow (Z, \nu, \nu^*)$  is an  $m$ -open mapping then  $g \circ f$  is an  $m$ -open mapping.

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