

Properties of Q^* Sets[†]

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Abstract: In this paper, we study the properties of Q^* open sets. In particular, we investigate the properties and theorems in affine spaces and irreducible spaces. Also we define Gd set, contra Q^* closure and study some of these properties.

1. Introduction

We defined Q^* closed sets and Q^* open sets in an affine space¹ in the year 2010. Affine space is a topological space which characterizes most of the geometrical objects.

We need the following definitions:

Definition 1.1. Let (X, τ) be a topological space. Let $A \subset X$. A is said to be Q^* closed if A is closed and $\text{int } A = \Phi$. Then the complement of Q^* closed set is Q^* open.

Definition 1.2². Let C^n be a complex n – space. Let I be a collection of some complex polynomials of C^n . Let $V_I = \{x \in C^n / f(x) = 0 \text{ for all } f \in I\}$. That is common zero set of I . Then V_I is called affine algebraic variety.

Definition 1.3². The set of all complements of affine algebraic varieties satisfies the four axioms defining a topology on C^n . This topology is called Zariski topology on C^n .

Definition 1.4². The set C^n considered as a topological space with its Zariski topology is called affine n –space. We denote this affine n - space by A^n .

2. Q^* Open Sets in Various Spaces

In this section we discuss the properties of Q^* open sets in some particular spaces namely affine spaces and irreducible spaces.

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Theorem 2.1. *In A^n , every non-empty open set is Q^* open set.*

Proof. Let U be any non-empty open set with respect to Zariski topology. Let $U \neq X$. The $U = V_{I_1}^C$, for some I_1 , where I_1 has at least one non-zero polynomial. Let G be any open set. Let $G \neq X$. Then $G = V_{I_2}^C$, for some I_2 where I_2 has at least one nonzero polynomial.

Now $U \cap G = V_{I_1}^C \cap V_{I_2}^C$. Then $U \cap G = (V_{I_1} \cup V_{I_2})^C$. Therefore $U \cap G = (V_{I_1 \cup I_2})^C$. Since $I_1 I_2$ has at least one nonzero polynomial, $(V_{I_1 \cup I_2})^C \neq \Phi$. Therefore $U \cap G \neq \Phi$. U intersects every nonempty open set. Therefore U is dense. Hence every nonempty open set is Q^* open set in A^n .

Definition 2.2³. A topological space X is called irreducible if for any decomposition $X = A_1 \cup A_2$ with closed subsets $A_i \subseteq X$ ($i = 1, 2$) then we have $X = A_1$ or $X = A_2$.

A subset X' of a topological space X is called irreducible if X' is irreducible as a subspace.

Example 1. Let $X = \{1, 2, 3\}$ and $\tau = \{\Phi, \{1\}, \{1, 2\}, X\}$. Closed sets are $\Phi, \{2, 3\}, \{3\}, X$. Then X is irreducible.

Example 2. Let $X = \mathbb{N}$ and $\tau = \{\Phi, \{1\}, \{1, 2\}, \dots, X\}$. Then X is irreducible.

Example 3. Let $X = [1, 100]$. Let $U_a = [1, a]$ and $\tau = \{U_a / a \in X\}$. Then X is irreducible.

Lemma 2.3. *The topological space X is irreducible if and only if every nonempty open set is Q^* open.*

Proof. Let X be irreducible. Let U be any nonempty open set. If $U = X$ then nothing to prove. Let $U \neq X$. Then $\text{cl } U \neq X$. If possible suppose that U is not Q^* open. Then there exists an open set V such that $U \cap V = \Phi$. This implies $U^C \cup V^C = X$, where U^C and V^C are proper closed sets. This is a contradiction to X is irreducible.

Conversely, suppose that every open set is Q^* open. We claim that X is irreducible. Suppose X is reducible. Then $X = A \cup B$, where A and B are proper nonempty closed sets. This implies $A^C \cap B^C = \Phi$. Then A^C is not dense. Then A^C is an open set but not Q^* open, a contradiction. Hence X is irreducible.

Theorem 2.4. *Let (X, τ) be a topological space. Let $W \subset X$. Every nonempty open set of W is Q^* open in W if and only if every nonempty open set of $\text{cl } W$ is Q^* open in $\text{cl } W$.*

Proof. Let every nonempty open set of W be Q^* open set in W . We claim that every nonempty open set of $\text{cl } W$ is Q^* open in $\text{cl } W$.

Let A be any nonempty open set in $\text{cl } W$. Then $A \cap W$ is open in W . By hypothesis $A \cap W$ is dense in W . It is enough to prove that every open set intersects A . Let U be any open set of $\text{cl } W$. Take $x \in U$. Now $x \in \text{cl } W$. Therefore every open set of x intersects W .

Also $U \cap W$ is a nonempty open set in W . Since $A \cap W$ is dense in W , $(A \cap W) \cap (U \cap W) \neq \Phi$. This implies $A \cap U \neq \Phi$. Hence A is dense in $\text{cl } W$ and hence A is Q^* open in $\text{cl } W$.

Conversely, suppose that every nonempty open set of $\text{cl } W$ is Q^* open in $\text{cl } W$. We claim that every nonempty open set of W is Q^* open in W .

Let U be any nonempty open set of W . Then there exists an open set G in $\text{cl } W$ such that $U = G \cap W$. By hypothesis G is Q^* open in W . That implies $G \cap W$ is Q^* open in W . Therefore U is Q^* open in W . Hence the theorem.

Theorem 2.5. *Let $f: C^n \longrightarrow C$. Let $A \subset C^n$. Then $x_0 \in \text{cl } A$, for any x_0 if and only if f is identically zero in A implies $f(x_0) = 0$.*

Proof. Let $x_0 \in \text{cl } A$ and f be identically zero in A .

Let $I = \{f\}$. Since f is identically zero in A , $A \subset V_I$. Since V_I is closed, $\text{cl } A \subset V_I$. Since $x_0 \in \text{cl } A \subset V_I$, $f(x_0) = 0$. Conversely, let V_I be any closed set containing A . We claim that $x_0 \in V_I$. We have $V_I = \{x \in C^n / f(x) = 0, \forall f \in I\}$. Since $A \subset V_I$, $f(x) = 0 \forall x \in A, \forall f \in I$. Therefore $f(x_0) = 0 \forall f \in I$. Hence $x_0 \in V_I$. But $\text{cl } A$ is the smallest closed set containing A . Therefore $x_0 \in \text{cl } A$. Thus the Lemma.

Theorem 2.6. *If A is Q^* open then there exists I such that $f(A^C) = 0 \forall f \in I$ and $f(A) = 0$ implies $f \equiv 0$.*

Proof. Let A be Q^* open. Then A^C is closed and $\text{cl } A = X$. Then there exists I such that $V_I = A^C$ and $\text{cl } A = X$. If $x \in V_I = A^C$, then $f(x) = 0 \forall f \in I, x \in A^C$. Therefore $f(A^C) = 0 \forall f \in I$. Let us take $f(A) = 0$. We claim that $f \equiv 0$. Let $x_0 \in \text{cl } A$. Since $f(A) = 0 \forall x \in A$ and by Lemma (2.5), $f(x_0) = 0$. Therefore $f(x) = 0 \forall x \in \text{cl } A$. But $\text{cl } A = X$. Therefore $f(x) = 0 \forall x \in X$. Hence $f \equiv 0$.

3. General Properties

Let (X, τ) be a topological space. We have proved that the collection of all Q^* open sets together with Φ is a topology¹. Let $\tau_1 = \tau_{Q^*}$. We find $(\tau_1)_{Q^*}$ which is denoted by τ_2 and so on.

Theorem 3.1. *Let (X, τ) be a topological space. Then the union of all proper open sets is Q^* open.*

Proof. Let $A = \bigcup A_i$, where A_i is proper open set (with respect to τ). Clearly A is open. Always $\text{cl } A \subset X$. We claim that $X \subset \text{cl } A$. Let $x_0 \in X$. Let U be any open set containing x_0 . Therefore $U \subset A$. Then $U \cap A - \{x_0\} \neq \Phi$. Therefore $x_0 \in \text{cl } A$. Then $\text{cl } A = X$. Hence A is Q^* open.

Result 3.2. *Let (X, τ) be a topological space. Let A be union of all proper open subsets of X . (Let τ_{Q^*} denote the collection of all Q^* open sets with respect to τ). If $\tau_1 = \tau_{Q^*}$, $\tau_2 = (\tau_1)_{Q^*}$...etc, then $A \in \tau_i$, $\forall i = 1, 2, \dots$*

Proof. By Theorem 3.1, A is Q^* open. Let $\tau_1 = \tau_{Q^*}$. Clearly $A \in \tau_1$. If $B \in \tau_1$ (B is Q^* open with respect to τ) then B is open in τ . Then $B \subset A$. Then union of all proper open sets with respect to τ_1 is A . Therefore A is Q^* open with respect to τ_1 . Hence $A \in \tau_2$. Similarly $A \in \tau_i$, for all i .

Converse is not true. Consider the example

Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $\tau = \{\Phi, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$. Also $\tau_{Q^*} = \tau$. Let $B = \{a, b\}$. $\text{cl } B = X$. Also $\tau = \tau_{Q^*}$. $B \in \tau_i$ for all i . But $B \neq$ union of all proper open subsets of X .

Result 3.3. *If A and B are open sets with $A \cap B = \Phi$, then A and B are not Q^* open.*

Proof: Since $A \cap B = \Phi$, the points of B can't be limit points of A . Then $\text{cl } A \neq X$. Hence A is not Q^* open. Similarly B is not Q^* open.

Theorem 3.4. *Let (X, τ) be a topological space. If $\tau_1 = \tau_{Q^*}$ and $\tau_2 = (\tau_1)_{Q^*}$ then $\tau_1 = \tau_2$.*

Proof: Clearly τ_1 is finer than τ_2 . We have to prove that τ_2 is finer than τ_1 . Let $A \in \tau_1$. Since $\tau_1 \subset \tau$ and A is dense with respect to τ , A is dense with respect to τ_1 . Then A is Q^* open with respect to τ_1 , that is, $A \in \tau_2$. Therefore τ_2 is finer than τ_1 . Hence $\tau_1 = \tau_2$.

Theorem 3.5. *Let (X, τ) be a topological space. (Let (τ_A) denote the subspace topology on A). If $B \subset A \subset X$, where A is open with respect to τ and B is Q^* open in X then B is Q^* open in A .*

Proof: Given B is open in X and $\text{cl } B = X$. Then $B \cap A$ is open in A . Also $B \cap A = B$ is open in A . Claim $\text{cl } B$ with respect to τ_A is A . Let U be open in

A. Since A is open in X , U is open in X . Then $U \in \tau$. Since $\text{cl } B = X$, $U \cap B \neq \Phi$. Hence every open set U in A intersects B . Therefore B is Q^* open in A .

Theorem 3.6. *Let (X, τ) be a topological space. If $B \subset A \subset X$, where A is Q^* open and B is Q^* open in A then B is Q^* open in X .*

Proof: Since B is open in A and A is open in X , B is open in X . We claim $\text{cl } B$ with respect to τ is X . Let U be any open set with respect to τ . Since $\text{cl } A = X$, $U \cap A \neq \Phi$. Therefore $U \cap A$ is an open set with respect to τ_A . Since $\text{cl } B$ with respect to τ_A is A , $(U \cap A) \cap B \neq \Phi$. Then $U \cap (A \cap B) \neq \Phi$. Hence $\text{cl } B$ with respect to $\tau = X$ and hence B is Q^* open in X .

Definition 3.7. Let (X, τ) be a topological space. Contra $Q^*\text{cl } A$ is defined by the intersection of all Q^* open sets containing A .

Theorem 3.8. *Let (X, τ) be a topological space. Then $\text{contra cl } A \subset \text{contra } Q^*\text{cl } A$.*

Proof: Let $A \subset X$. We have $\text{contra cl } A = \bigcap \{B / B \text{ is open, } A \subset B\}$ and $\text{contra } Q^*\text{cl } A = \bigcap \{B / B \text{ is } Q^*\text{open, } A \subset B\}$. Since every Q^* open set is open, $\text{contra cl } A \subset \text{contra } Q^*\text{cl } A$.

Example. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$. Let $T = \{\Phi, \{a, b\}, \{c\}, X\}$. Also $\tau_{Q^*} = \{X\}$. Let $A = \{a, b\}$. Then $\text{contra cl } A = \{a, b\}$; $\text{contra } Q^*\text{cl } A = X$. Therefore $\text{contra cl } A \neq \text{contra } Q^*\text{cl } A$.

Remark. *It directly follows from definitions that if every Q^* open set is Q^* closed then $Q^*\text{cl } A = \text{contra } Q^*\text{cl } A$.*

Definition 3.9. Let (X, τ) be a topological space. Let $A \subset X$. A is said to be Gd set if $A = U \cap V$, where U is open and V is proper Q^* open.

Example 3.10. Let $X = [1, 100]$. Let $U_a = [1, a]$ and $\tau = \{U_a / a \in X\}$. Also $\tau_{Q^*} = \tau$. Then every set $U_a \neq X$ is a Gd set.

Remark 3.10. *Every Gd set is Q^* open but its converse is not true as is evident from the following example.*

Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\tau = \{\Phi, \{a, b\}, X\}$. Then $\tau_{Q^*} = \{X, \{a, b\}\}$. Here $\{b, c\}$ is Q^* open but not Gd set.

Definition 3.11. Let (X, τ) be a topological space. Let D be any directed set. Let $\langle x_\alpha \rangle$, $\alpha \in D$ be a net in X . We say that $\langle x_\alpha \rangle$ Q^* converges to x_0 if given any Q^* open set U containing x_0 there exists $\alpha_0 \in D$ such that $x_\alpha \in U \forall \alpha \geq \alpha_0$.

Theorem 3.12. *Let (X, τ) be a topological space. Let $A \subset X$. $x_0 \in Q^* \text{ cl } A$ if and only if there exists a net $\langle x_\alpha \rangle$ in A , such that $\langle x_\alpha \rangle$ Q^* converges to x_0 .*

Proof. Let $\langle x_\alpha \rangle$ be a net in A such that $\langle x_\alpha \rangle$ Q^* converges to x_0 . We claim that $x_0 \in Q^* \text{ cl } A$. Let U be any Q^* open set containing x_0 . Since $\langle x_\alpha \rangle$ Q^* converges to x_0 there exists $\alpha_0 \in D$ such that $x_\alpha \in U$, $\forall \alpha \geq \alpha_0$. Also $\langle x_\alpha \rangle$ is a net in A . Then $x_{\alpha_0} \in U \cap A$. Therefore $U \cap A \neq \Phi$. Since U is arbitrary, every Q^* open set containing x_0 intersects A . Hence $x_0 \in Q^* \text{ cl } A$. Conversely suppose $x_0 \in Q^* \text{ cl } A$. We claim that there exists a net in A such that the net Q^* converges to x_0 . Let $D = \{U / U \text{ is } Q^* \text{ open set containing } x_0\}$. Define $\leq$ in D as follows: $U_1 \leq U_2$ if $U_2 \subset U_1$. Clearly $(D, \leq)$ is a directed set. Let U be any Q^* open set containing x_0 . Since $x_0 \in Q^* \text{ cl } A$, there is a point x_U in $U \cap A$. Therefore $\langle x_U \rangle$ is a net in A . Given a Q^* open set containing x_0 , $U \geq G$ implies $U \subset G$. Since $x_U \in U \subset G$, $x_U \in G$. Therefore $\langle x_U \rangle$ is a net in A such that $\langle x_U \rangle$ Q^* converges to x_0 . Hence the Theorem.

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