

Int-Normal Spaces

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Abstract: *In this paper we introduce and study a new class of spaces, namely int-normal spaces. The relationships between normal, ii-normal and int-normal spaces are investigated. Moreover, we introduced some function related with int-normal spaces, we obtain some preservation theorems of int-normal spaces.*

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I. Introduction

In 1937, Stone [7] introduced the notion of regular-open sets. In 2019, Mohammed and Abdullah [1] introduced the concepts of ii-open sets, int-open sets and obtained their properties. In 2020, Hamant [5] introduced the concepts of ii-normal spaces and its properties.

II. Preliminaries

In what follows, spaces always mean topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed unless explicitly stated and $f : (X, \mathfrak{T}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ (or simply $f : X \rightarrow Y$) denotes a function f of a space (X, \mathfrak{T}) into a space (Y, σ) . Let A be a subset of a space X . The closure and the interior of A are denoted by $CL(A)$ and $INT(A)$, respectively.

2.1 Definition. A subset A of a space X is said to be:

(1) **regular open**[7] if $A = INT(CL(A))$.

(2) **int-open** [1] if there exist an open set $G \in \mathfrak{T}$, such that

(i) $G \neq \phi, X$

(ii) $INT(A) = G$

(3) **ii-open** [1] set if there exists an open set $G \in \mathfrak{T}$, such that

(i) $G \neq \phi, X$

(ii) $A \subseteq CL(A \cap G)$

(iii) $INT(A) = G$

The complement of a regular open (resp. int-open, ii-open) set is called **regular closed** (resp. **int-closed**, **ii-closed**).

The intersection of all ii-closed (resp. int-closed) sets containing A is called the **ii-closure** (resp. **int-closure**) of A and is denoted by **ii-CL(A)** (resp. **intCL(A)**). Dually, the **ii-interior**(resp. **int-interior**) of A , denoted by **ii-INT(A)** (resp. **int-INT(A)**) is defined to be the union of all ii-open (resp. int-open) sets contained in A .

The family of all regular open (resp. regular closed, ii-open, ii-closed, int-open, int-closed) sets of a space X is denoted by $R-O(X)$ (resp. $R-C(X)$, $ii-O(X)$, $ii-C(X)$, $int-O(X)$, $int-C(X)$).

We have the following implications for the properties of subsets:



$$\text{open} \Rightarrow \text{ii-open} \Rightarrow \text{int-open}$$

Where none of the implications is reversible as can be seen from the following examples:

2.2 Example Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $\mathfrak{T} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$. Then

(1) closed sets in (X, \mathfrak{T}) are $\emptyset, X, \{d\}, \{b, d\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}$.

(2) ii-open sets in (X, \mathfrak{T}) are $\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}$.

(3) int-open sets in (X, \mathfrak{T}) are $\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}$.

Here $\{b, c\}$ is int-open but not ii-open also not open.

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(1) closed sets in (X, \mathfrak{T}) are $\emptyset, X, \{d\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}$.

(2) ii-open sets in (X, \mathfrak{T}) are $\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}$.

(3) int-open sets in (X, \mathfrak{T}) are $\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}$.

In this example we see that $\{b, c\}$ is ii-open as well as int-open set but not open set.

III. int-normal spaces

3.1 Definition A topological space X is termed as **int-normal** if for any pair of disjoint closed sets A and B , there exist disjoint int-open sets G and H such that $A \subset G$ and $B \subset H$.

3.2 Definition A topological space X is termed as **ii-normal** [5] if for any pair of disjoint closed sets A and B , there exist disjoint ii-open sets G and H such that $A \subset G$ and $B \subset H$.

3.3 Remark. The following diagram holds for a topological space (X, \mathfrak{T}) :

$$\text{normal} \Rightarrow \text{ii-normal} \Rightarrow \text{int-normal}$$

None of these implications is reversible as shown by the following examples.

3.3 Example. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $\mathfrak{T} = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}\}$. Let $A = \{c\}$ and $B = \{d\}$ be disjoint closed sets, there exist disjoint ii-open sets $G = \{a, c\}$ and $H = \{b, d\}$ such that $A \subset G$ and $B \subset H$. Then the space (X, \mathfrak{T}) is ii-normal and int-normal since every ii-open set is int-open. But it is not normal since G and H are not open set.

3.4 Example. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $\mathfrak{T} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, X\}$. Take $A = \{b\}$, $B = \{d\}$ disjoint closed sets, there exist disjoint int-open sets $G = \{a, d\}$ and $H = \{b, c\}$ such that $A \subset G$ and $B \subset H$. Then the space (X, \mathfrak{T}) is int-normal. But it is not ii-normal as there does not exist any disjoint ii-open sets containing A and B . Also space (X, \mathfrak{T}) is not normal space.

3.5 Example. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $\mathfrak{T} = \{X, \emptyset, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{b, c, d\}\}$. Let $A = \{a\}$ and $B = \{c\}$ be disjoint closed sets, there does not exist any pair of disjoint open sets G and H such that $A \subset G$ and $B \subset H$. Then the space (X, \mathfrak{T}) is not normal, also it is neither ii-normal nor int-normal space.

3.6 Example. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\mathfrak{T} = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$. Then the space (X, \mathfrak{T}) is normal as well as int-normal.

3.7 Theorem. For a space X , the following are equivalent:

(1) X is int-normal,

(2) For every pair of open sets G and H whose union is X , there exist int-closed sets A and B such that $A \subset G$, $B \subset H$ and $A \cup B = X$,

(3) For every closed set P and every open set Q containing P , there exists an int-open set G such that $P \subset G \subset \text{int-CL}(G) \subset Q$.

Proof: (1) \Rightarrow (2) : Let G and H be a pair of open sets in an int-normal space X such that $X = G \cup H$. Then $X - G$ and $X - H$ are disjoint closed sets. Since X is int-normal, there exist disjoint int-open sets G_1 and H_1 such that $X - G \subset G_1$ and $X - H \subset H_1$. Let $A = X - G_1$, $B = X - H_1$. Then A and B are int-closed sets such that $A \subset G$, $B \subset H$ and $A \cup B = X$.

(2) \Rightarrow (3) : Let P is a closed set and Q is an open set containing P . Then $X - P$ and Q be open sets whose union is X . Then by (2), there exist int-closed sets C_1 and C_2 such that $C_1 \subset X - P$ and $C_2 \subset Q$ and $C_1 \cup C_2 = X$. Then $P \subset X - C_1$, $X - Q \subset X - C_2$ and $(X - C_1) \cap (X - C_2) = \phi$. Let $G = X - C_1$ and $H = X - C_2$. Then G and H are disjoint int-open sets such that $P \subset G \subset X - H \subset Q$. As $X - H$ is int-closed set, we have $\text{int-CL}(U) \subset X - H$ and $P \subset G \subset \text{int-CL}(G) \subset Q$.

(3) \Rightarrow (1) : Let P_1 and P_2 are any two disjoint closed sets of X . Put $Q = X - P_2$, then $P_2 \cap Q = \phi$. $P_1 \subset Q$, where Q is an open set. Then by (3), there exists an int-open set G of X such that $P_1 \subset G \subset \text{int-CL}(G) \subset Q$. It follows that $P_2 \subset X - \text{int-CL}(G) = H$, say, then H is int-open and $G \cap H = \phi$. Hence P_1 and P_2 are separated by int-open sets G and H . Therefore X is int-normal.

IV. Some functions with int-normal spaces

4.1 Definition . Let X be a topological space. A subset $N \subset X$ is called an **int-neighbourhood** (briefly **int-nhd**) of a point $x \in X$ if there exist an int-open set M such that $x \in M \subset N$.

4.2 Definition . A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called

- (1) **R-map [3]** if $f^{-1}(A)$ be a regular open in X for every regular open set A of Y ,
- (2) **completely continuous [2]** if $f^{-1}(A)$ be a regular open in X for every open set A of Y ,
- (3) **rc-continuous [4]** if for each regular closed set B in Y , $f^{-1}(B)$ be a regular closed in X .

4.3 Definition . A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called

- (1) **softly int-open** if $f(U) \in \text{int-O}(Y)$ for each $U \in \text{int-O}(X)$,
- (2) **softly int-closed** if $f(U) \in \text{int-C}(Y)$ for each $U \in \text{int-C}(X)$,
- (3) **almost int-irresolute** if for every $a \in X$ and each int-neighbourhood V of $f(x)$, $\text{int-CL}(f^{-1}(V))$ is an int-neighbourhood of a .

4.4 Theorem . A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a softly int-closed if and only if for each subset A in Y and for each int-open set U in X containing $f^{-1}(A)$, there exists an int-open set V containing A such that $f^{-1}(V) \subset U$.

Proof: (\Rightarrow) : Suppose that f is softly int-closed. Let A be a subset of Y and $U \in \text{int-O}(X)$ containing $f^{-1}(A)$. Put $V = Y - f(X - U)$, then V is an int-open set of Y such that $A \subset V$ and $f^{-1}(V) \subset U$.

(\Leftarrow) : Let K be any int-closed set of X . Then $f^{-1}(Y - f(K)) \subset X - K$ and $X - K \in \text{int-O}(X)$. There exists an int-open set V of Y such that $Y - f(K) \subset V$ and $f^{-1}(V) \subset X - K$. Therefore, we have $f(K) \supset Y - V$ and $K \subset f^{-1}(Y - V)$. Hence, we obtain $f(K) = Y - V$ and $f(K)$ is int-closed in Y . This shows that f is softly int-closed.

4.5 Lemma. For a function $f : X \rightarrow Y$, the following are equivalent:

- (1) f is almost int-irresolute,
- (2) $f^{-1}(V) \subset \text{int-INT}(\text{int-CL}(f^{-1}(V)))$ for every $V \in \text{int-O}(Y)$.

4.6 Theorem. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is almost int-irresolute if and only if $f(\text{int-CL}(U)) \subset \text{int-CL}(f(U))$ for every $U \in \text{int-O}(X)$.

Proof: (\Rightarrow) : Let $U \in \text{int-O}(X)$. Suppose $y \notin \text{int-CL}(f(U))$. Then there exists $V \in \text{int-O}(Y)$ such that $V \cap f(U) = \emptyset$. Hence, $f^{-1}(V) \cap U = \emptyset$. Since $U \in \text{int-O}(X)$, we have $\text{int-INT}(\text{int-CL}(f^{-1}(V))) \cap \text{int-CL}(U) = \emptyset$. Then by **Lemma 4.5**, $f^{-1}(V) \cap \text{int-CL}(U) = \emptyset$ and hence $V \cap f(\text{int-CL}(U)) = \emptyset$. This implies that $y \notin f(\text{int-CL}(U))$.

(\Leftarrow) : If $V \in \text{int-O}(Y)$, then $M = X - \text{int-CL}(f^{-1}(V)) \in \text{int-O}(X)$. By hypothesis, $f(\text{int-CL}(M)) \subset \text{int-CL}(f(M))$ and hence $X - \text{int-INT}(\text{int-CL}(f^{-1}(V))) = \text{int-CL}(M) \subset f^{-1}(\text{int-CL}(f(M))) \subset f^{-1}(\text{int-CL}(f(X - f^{-1}(V)))) \subset f^{-1}(\text{int-CL}(Y - V)) = f^{-1}(Y - V) = X - f^{-1}(V)$. Therefore, $f^{-1}(V) \subset \text{int-INT}(\text{int-CL}(f^{-1}(V)))$. By **Lemma 4.5**, f is almost int-irresolute.

4.7 Theorem. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a softly int-open continuous almost int-irresolute function from an int-normal space X onto a space Y , then Y is int-normal.

Proof: Let A be a closed subset of Y and B be an open set containing A . Then by continuity of f , $f^{-1}(A)$ is closed and $f^{-1}(B)$ is an open set of X such that $f^{-1}(A) \subset f^{-1}(B)$. As X is int-normal, there exists an int-open set U in X such that $f^{-1}(A) \subset U \subset \text{int-CL}(U) \subset f^{-1}(B)$ by **Theorem 3.7**. Then, $f(f^{-1}(A)) \subset f(U) \subset f(\text{int-CL}(U)) \subset f(f^{-1}(B))$. Since f is softly int-open almost int-irresolute surjection, we obtain $A \subset f(U) \subset \text{int-CL}(f(U)) \subset B$. Then again by **Theorem 3.7**, the space Y is int-normal.

4.8 Theorem. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a softly int-closed continuous function from an int-normal space X onto a space Y , then Y is int-normal.

Proof: Let M_1 and M_2 be disjoint closed sets. Then $f^{-1}(M_1)$ and $f^{-1}(M_2)$ are closed sets. Since X is int-normal, then there exist disjoint int-open sets U and V such that $f^{-1}(M_1) \subset U$ and $f^{-1}(M_2) \subset V$. By **Theorem 4.4**, there exist int-open sets A and B such that $M_1 \subset A$, $M_2 \subset B$, $f^{-1}(A) \subset U$ and $f^{-1}(B) \subset V$. Also, A and B are disjoint. Thus, Y is int-normal.

4.9 Definition. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called α -closed [6] if for each closed set in X , $f(U)$ is α -closed set in Y .

4.10 Theorem. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is an α -closed continuous surjection and X is normal, then Y is int-normal.

Proof: Let A and B be disjoint closed sets of Y . Then $f^{-1}(A)$ and $f^{-1}(B)$ are disjoint closed sets of X by continuity of f . Since X is normal, there exist disjoint open sets U and V in X such that $f^{-1}(A) \subset U$ and $f^{-1}(B) \subset V$. By theorem 4.3 in [6] there exist disjoint α -open sets G and H in Y such that $A \subset G$ and $B \subset H$. Since every α -open set is int-open, G and H are disjoint int-open sets containing A and B , respectively. Therefore, Y is int-normal.

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