

(i, j) - ω - b -OPEN SETS AND (i, j) - ω - b -CONTINUITY IN BITOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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Abstract. As a generalization of (i, j) - b -open sets in bitopological spaces, we introduce and explore the notions of (i, j) - ω - b -open sets. We also develop its relationship with already defined generalizations of b -open sets. Moreover we define and discuss the properties of (i, j) - ω - b -continuous functions.

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1. Introduction

In [5], Kelly initiated the study of bitopological spaces. Thereafter a lot of work have been done to generalize the topological concepts to bitopological setting.

Andrejevic [2] introduced the concept of b -open sets and extended this notions to a bitopological spaces. Recently in [4], Hdeib introduced the notions ω -closed set as generalization of closed sets. A point $x \in X$ is called a condensation point of A , if for each $U \in \tau$ with $x \in U$, the set $U \cap A$ is uncountable. A is said to be ω -closed [4], if it contains all its condensation points. The complement of a ω -closed set is said to be ω -open. It is well known that a subset W of a space (X, τ) is ω -open if and only if for each $x \in W$, there exists $U \in \tau$ such that $x \in U$ and $U - W$ is countable. The set of all ω -open sets in (X, τ) is denoted by τ_ω , τ_ω is a topology on X finer than τ . In this paper, as a generalization of (i, j) - b -open sets in bitopological spaces, we introduce and explore the notions of (i, j) - ω - b open sets. We also develop its relationship with already defined generalizations of b -open sets. Moreover we define and discuss the properties of (i, j) - ω - b -continuous functions. For a subset A of X , the closure of A and the interior of A are denoted by $Cl(A)$ and $Int(A)$, respectively. A subset A of a bitopological space (X, τ_1, τ_2) is said to be (i, j) - b -open, if $A \subseteq \tau_i-cl(\tau_j-Int(A)) \cup \tau_i-Int(\tau_j-Cl(A))$, where $i \neq j$, $i, j = 1, 2$. The complement of a (i, j) - b -open set is said to be a (i, j) - b -closed. The (i, j) - b -closure of A , denoted by (i, j) - $b-cl(A)$ is defined to be the intersection of all (i, j) - b -closed sets containing A . The (i, j) - b -interior of A , denoted by (i, j) - $b-Int(A)$ is defined to be the union of all (i, j) - b -open sets contained in A . The family of all (i, j) - b -open (respectively (i, j) - b -closed) subsets of a space (X, τ_1, τ_2) is denoted by (i, j) - $BO(X)$, (respectively (i, j) - $BC(X)$). A function $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \mapsto (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ is said to be (i, j) - b -continuous, if the inverse image of every σ_i -open set in (Y, σ_1, σ_2) is (i, j) - b -open in (X, τ_1, τ_2) , where $i \neq j$, $i, j = 1, 2$. Observe that a σ_i -open set U in (Y, σ_1, σ_2) means $U \in \sigma_i$.

2. (i, j) - ω - b -open sets

A set X equipped with two topologies is called a bitopological space. Throughout this paper, spaces (X, τ_1, τ_2) (or simply X) always means a bitopological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed unless explicitly stated.

Definition 1 A subset A of a bitopological space X is (i, j) - ω - b -open, if for each $x \in A$ there exists a (i, j) - b -open subset U_x containing x such that $U_x - A$ is a countable set. The complement of a (i, j) - ω - b -open is said to be (i, j) - ω - b -closed set.

The family of all (i, j) - ω - b -open (respectively (i, j) - ω - b -closed) subsets of a space (X, τ_1, τ_2) is denoted by (i, j) - ω - $BO(X)$, (respectively (i, j) - ω - $BC(X)$). Also the family of all (i, j) - ω - b -open sets of (X, τ_1, τ_2) containing x is denoted by (i, j) - ω - $BO(X, x)$.

Example 2.1 Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, X\}$, $\tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{b, c\}, X\}$. Then $\{a\}$ is a (i, j) - ω - b -open but not (i, j) - b -open.

Example 2.2 Let X be the real line, $\tau_1 = \tau_2 =$ the usual topology. Q is $(1, 2)$ - ω - b -open set but not either 12 - $b\omega$ -open neither 12 - ωb -open, see [6], for the definition of ij - $b\omega$ -open and ij - ωb -open.

Example 2.3 Let $X = A \cup B \cup C \cup D$, where A, B, C, D are disjoint uncountable sets, $\tau_1 = \tau_2 = \{\emptyset, A, B, A \cup B, A \cup B \cup C, X\}$. Then $A \cup C$ is a (i, j) - ω - b -open but not (i, j) - ω - b -open set.

It is well known that every semiopen (respectively preopen) set is a b -open set, in consequence, every (i, j) - ω -semiopen (respectively (i, j) - ω -proopen) set is an (i, j) - ω - b -open set and therefore the results obtained in this article generalize the results obtained in [3] (respectively [8]).

Remark 2.4 It is easy to see in Example 2.3, the set $A \cup C$ is (i, j) - ω - b -open but is not (i, j) - ω -preopen set.

Theorem 2.5 Let A be a subset of a bitopological space X . A is an (i, j) - ω - b -open if and only if for every $x \in A$, there exists a (i, j) - b -open set U_x containing x and a countable subset C such that $U_x - C \subseteq A$.

Proof. Let A be an (i, j) - ω - b -open set and $x \in A$, then by Definition 1, there exists an (i, j) - b -open subset U_x containing x such that $U_x - A$ is countable. Let $C = U_x - A = U_x \cap (X - A)$. Then $U_x - C \subseteq A$. Conversely, let $x \in A$. Then by hypothesis, there exists a (i, j) - b -open subset U_x containing x and a countable subset C such that $U_x - C \subseteq A$. Thus $U_x - A \subseteq C$ and $U_x - A$ is countable and the result follows. ■

Theorem 2.6 Let C be a subset of a bitopological space X . If C is an (i, j) - ω - b -closed set, then $C \subseteq K \cup B$, for some (i, j) - b -closed subset K and a countable subset B .

Proof. If C is a (i, j) - ω - b -closed set, then its complement $X - C$ is a (i, j) - ω - b -open set and therefore by Theorem 2.5, for every $x \in X - C$, there exists a (i, j) - b -open set U containing x and a countable set B such that $U - B \subseteq X - C$. Thus $C \subseteq X - (U - B) = X - (U \cap (X - B)) = (X - U) \cup B$, let $K = X - U$. Follows that $C \subseteq K \cup B$ and K is an (i, j) - b -closed set. ■

Theorem 2.7 The union of any family of (i, j) - ω - b -open sets is an (i, j) - ω - b -open set.

Proof. Let $\{A_\alpha : \alpha \in I\}$ be a collection of (i, j) - ω - b -open subsets of X , then for every $x \in \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha$, $x \in A_\alpha$, for some $\alpha \in I$. Hence, using Definition 1, there exists a (i, j) - b -open subset U containing x , such that $U - A_\alpha$ is countable. Now as $U - (\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha) \subseteq U - A_\alpha$, it follows that $U - (\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha)$ is countable. In consequence, $\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha$ is an (i, j) - ω - b -open set. ■

Definition 2 Let A be a subset of a bitopological space X , the union of all (i, j) - ω - b -open sets contained in A is called the (i, j) - ω - b -interior of A and is denoted by $(i, j) - \omega$ - b -Int(A). The intersection of all (i, j) - ω - b -closed sets of X containing A is called the (i, j) - ω - b -closure of A and is denoted by (i, j) - ω - b -Cl(A).

Remark 2.8 By Theorem 2.7, The (i, j) - ω - b -Cl(A) is a (i, j) - ω - b -closed set and the (i, j) - ω - b -Int(A) is a (i, j) - ω - b -open set.

Theorem 2.9 *Let X be a bitopological space and $A, B \subseteq X$. Then the following properties hold:*

- (1) $(i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Int((i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Int(A)) = (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Int(A)$.
- (2) *If $A \subseteq B$, then $(i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Int(A) \subseteq (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Int(B)$.*
- (3) $(i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Int(A \cap B) \subseteq (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Int(A) \cap (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Int(B)$.
- (4) $(i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Int(A) \cup (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Int(B) \subseteq (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Int(A \cup B)$.
- (5) *$(i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Int(A)$ is the largest $(i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}open$ subset of X contained in A .*
- (6) *A is $(i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}open$ if and only if $A = (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Int(A)$.*
- (7) $(i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl((i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(A)) = (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(A)$.
- (8) *If $A \subseteq B$, then $(i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(A) \subseteq (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(B)$.*
- (9) $(i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(A) \cup (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(B) \subseteq (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(A \cup B)$.
- (10) $(i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(A \cap B) \subseteq (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(A) \cap (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(B)$.

Proof. (1), (2), (6), (7) and (8) follow directly from the definition 1 of $(i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}open$ and $(i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}closed$ sets. (3), (4) and (5) follow from (2). (9) and (10) follow by applying (8). \blacksquare

Example 2.10 Let X be the real line, $\tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \mathfrak{R}, Q^c\}$ and $\tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \mathfrak{R}, Q, Q^c\}$. Take $A = (0, 1)$, $B = (1, 2)$, then $(i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(A \cap B) \subset (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(A) \cap (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(B)$.

Example 2.11 Let X be the real line, $\tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \mathfrak{R}, Q\}$ and $\tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \mathfrak{R}, Q\}$. The collection of $(i, j)\text{-}BO(X)$ is $\{\emptyset, \mathfrak{R}, Q\}$. take $A = Q$, $B = \{\pi\}$. Then $(i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(A) = Q$, $(i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(B) = \{\pi\}$ and $(i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(A) \cup (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(B) \subset (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(A \cup B)$.

Remark 2.12 Observe that the collection $(i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}BO(X)$ forms a minimal structure.

The following theorem give a characterization of the $(i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}closure$ of a set.

Theorem 2.13 *Let A be a subset of a bitopological space X and $x \in X$. Then $x \in (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(A)$ if and only if $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$ for every $U \in (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}BO(X, x)$.*

Proof. Suppose that $x \in (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(A)$ and we show that $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$, for all $U \in (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}BO(X, x)$. Suppose on the contrary that there exists $U \in (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}BO(X, x)$ such that $U \cap A = \emptyset$, then $A \subseteq X - U$ and $X - U$ is a $(i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}closed$ set. This follows that $(i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(A) \subseteq (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(X - U) = X - U$. Since $x \in (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(A)$, we have $x \in X - U$ and hence $x \notin U$. Which contradicts the fact that $x \in U$. Therefore, $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$.

Conversely, suppose on the contrary that $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$ for every $U \in (i, j)$ - ω - $BO(X, x)$. We shall prove that $x \in (i, j)$ - ω - b - $Cl(A)$. Suppose that $x \notin (i, j)$ - ω - b - $Cl(A)$, let $U = X - (i, j)$ - ω - b - $Cl(A)$, then $U \in (i, j)$ - ω - $BO(X, x)$ and $U \cap A = (X - ((i, j)$ - ω - b - $Cl(A))) \cap A \subseteq (X - A) \cap A = \emptyset$. This is a contradiction to the fact that $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$. Hence $x \in (i, j)$ - ω - b - $Cl(A)$. ■

The following theorem give the duality between the (i, j) - ω - b -closure and the (i, j) - ω - b -interior of a set.

Theorem 2.14 *Let A be a subset of a bitopological space X . The following property holds:*

$$(1) \quad (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Cl(X \setminus A) = X \setminus (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}b\text{-}Int(A).$$

Proof. (1). Let $x \in X \setminus (i, j)$ - ω - b - $Cl(A)$. Then by Theorem 2.13, there exists $V \in (i, j)$ - ω - $BO(X, x)$ such that $V \cap A = \emptyset$ and hence we obtain $x \in (i, j)$ - ω - b - $Int(X \setminus A)$. This shows that $X \setminus (i, j)$ - ω - b - $Cl(A) \subset (i, j)$ - ω - b - $Int(X \setminus A)$. Now consider $x \in (i, j)$ - ω - b - $Int(X \setminus A)$. Since (i, j) - ω - b - $Int(X \setminus A) \cap A = \emptyset$, we obtain $x \notin (i, j)$ - ω - b - $Cl(A)$. Therefore, we have, (i, j) - ω - b - $Cl(X \setminus A) = X \setminus (i, j)$ - ω - b - $Int(A)$. ■

Definition 3 Let A be a subset of a bitopological space X . A is said an (i, j) - ω - b -neighborhood of a point $x \in X$ if there exists an (i, j) - ω - b -open set W such that $x \in W \subset A$.

Theorem 2.15 *Let A be a subset of a bitopological space X . A is an (i, j) - ω - b -open set if and only if it is a (i, j) - ω - b -neighborhood of each of its points.*

Proof. Let A be an (i, j) - ω - b -open set of X . Then by definition 3, A is an (i, j) - ω - b -neighborhood of each of its points. Conversely, suppose that A is an (i, j) - ω - b -neighborhood of each of its points. Then for each $x \in A$, there exists $S_x \in (i, j)$ - ω - $BO(X, x)$ such that $S_x \subset A$. Then $A = \bigcup \{S_x : x \in A\}$. Since each S_x is an (i, j) - ω - b -open, using Theorem 2.7, A is an (i, j) - ω - b -open in X . ■

Theorem 2.16 *Let X be a bitopological space. If each nonempty (i, j) - ω - b -open set of X is uncountable, then (i, j) - b - $Cl(A) = (i, j)$ - ω - b - $Cl(A)$, for each subset $A \in \tau_1 \cap \tau_2$.*

Proof. Always, (i, j) - ω - b - $Cl(A) \subseteq (i, j)$ - b - $Cl(A)$. Conversely, let $x \in (i, j)$ - b - $Cl(A)$ and B an (i, j) - ω - b -open set containing x . Using Theorem 2.5, there exists an (i, j) - b -open set V containing x and a countable set C such that $V - C \subseteq B$. Follows that $(V - C) \cap A \subseteq B \cap A$ and so $(V \cap A) - C \subseteq B \cap A$. Now $x \in V$, $x \in (i, j)$ - b - $Cl(A)$ such that $V \cap A \neq \emptyset$ where $V \cap A$ is a (i, j) - ω - b -open set, since V is a (i, j) - b -open set and $A \in \tau_1 \cap \tau_2$. Using the hypothesis, each nonempty (i, j) - ω - b -open set of X is uncountable and so is $(V \cap A) \setminus C$. Thus $B \cap A$ is uncountable. Therefore, $B \cap A \neq \emptyset$ implies that $x \in (i, j)$ - ω - b - $Cl(A)$. ■

The following theorem give under some conditions, the collection (i, j) - ω - $BO(X)$ is a topology.

Theorem 2.17 *Let X be a bitopological space. If every (i, j) - b -open subset of X is τ_i -open in X . Then $(X, (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}BO(X))$ is a topological space.*

Proof. 1. \emptyset, X belong to $(i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}BO(X)$.

2. Let U, V be element of $(i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}BO(X)$ and suppose that $x \in U \cap V$. Then by Definition 1, there exist (i, j) - b -open sets G, H in X containing x such that $G \setminus U$ and $H \setminus V$ are countable. Since $(G \cap H) \setminus (U \cap V) = (G \cap H) \cap ((X \setminus U) \cup (X \setminus V)) \subseteq (G \cap (X \setminus U)) \cup (H \cap (X \setminus V))$ implies that $(G \cap H) \setminus (U \cap V)$ is a countable set and by hypothesis, the intersection of two (i, j) - b -open set is (i, j) - b -open. Hence $U \cap V \in (i, j)\text{-}\omega\text{-}BO(X)$.

3. The union follows directly from Theorem 2.7. ■

The following example shows that the converse of the Theorem 2.17 not necessarily is true.

Example 2.18 In the Example 2.1, the collection of $(1, 2)\text{-}\omega\text{-}BO(X) = P(X)$, in consequence, is a topology on X , but the set $\{a\}$ is $(1, 2)$ - b -open and $\{a\} \notin \tau_1$

3. (i, j) - ω - b -continuous functions

Definition 4 Let (X, τ_1, τ_2) and (Y, σ_1, σ_2) be bitopological spaces. A function $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ is:

- (1) (i, j) - ω - b -continuous, if the inverse image of every σ_i -open set of Y is (i, j) - ω - b -open in (X, τ_1, τ_2) , where $i \neq j, i, j=1, 2$.
- (2) (i, j) - b -continuous, if the inverse image of every σ_i -open set of Y is (i, j) - b -open in (X, τ_1, τ_2) , where $i \neq j, i, j=1, 2$.

Theorem 3.1 *Every (i, j) - b -continuous function is (i, j) - ω - b -continuous.*

Proof. The proof follows from the fact that every (i, j) - b -open set is (i, j) - ω - b -open. ■

However, the converse may be not true.

Example 3.2 Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$, $\tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, X\}$, $\sigma_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, X\}$, $\sigma_2 = \{\emptyset, \{a, c\}, X\}$. Then the identity function $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (X, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ is (i, j) - ω - b -continuous but not (i, j) - b -continuous.

Remark 3.3 Since every (i, j) - ω -preopen set is (i, j) - ω - b -open, then every (i, j) - ω -precontinuous function [8] is (i, j) - ω - b -continuous but not conversely.

Theorem 3.4 *Let (X, τ_1, τ_2) and (Y, σ_1, σ_2) be a bitopological spaces and $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ a function, the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1) f is (i, j) - ω - b -continuous;

- (2) For each point $x \in X$ and each σ_i -open set F in Y such that $f(x) \in F$, there is a (i, j) - ω - b -open set A in X such that $x \in A$, and $f(A) \subset F$;
- (3) The inverse image of each σ_i -closed set in Y is a (i, j) - ω - b -closed in X ;
- (4) $f((i, j)$ - ω - b - $Cl(A)) \subseteq \sigma_i$ - $cl(f(A))$, for every $A \subseteq X$;
- (5) (i, j) - ω - b - $Cl(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(\sigma_i$ - $cl(B))$, for every $B \subseteq Y$;
- (6) $f^{-1}(\sigma_i$ - $Int(C)) \subseteq (i, j)$ - ω - b - $Int(f^{-1}(C))$, for every $C \subseteq Y$.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2): Let $x \in X$ and F be a σ_i -open set of Y containing $f(x)$. By (1), $f^{-1}(F)$ is (i, j) - ω - b -open in X . Let $A = f^{-1}(F)$. Then $x \in A$ and $f(A) \subset F$.

(2) \Rightarrow (1): Let F be σ_i -open in Y and let $x \in f^{-1}(F)$. Then $f(x) \in F$. By (2), there is a (i, j) - ω - b -open set U_x in X such that $x \in U_x$ and $f(U_x) \subseteq F$ implies $x \in U_x \subseteq f^{-1}(F)$. Hence $f^{-1}(F)$ is a (i, j) - ω - b -open in X .

(1) \Leftrightarrow (3): This follows from the fact that for any subset B of Y , $f^{-1}(Y \setminus B) = X \setminus f^{-1}(B)$.

(3) \Rightarrow (4): Let A be a subset of X . Since $A \subseteq f^{-1}(f(A))$, we have $A \subseteq f^{-1}(\sigma_i$ - $Cl(f(A)))$. By hypothesis $f^{-1}(\sigma_i$ - $Cl(f(A)))$ is a (i, j) - ω - b -closed set in X and hence (i, j) - ω - b - $Cl(A) \subseteq f^{-1}(\sigma_i$ - $Cl(f(A)))$. Follows $f((i, j)$ - ω - b - $Cl(A)) \subseteq f(f^{-1}(\sigma_i$ - $Cl(f(A))) \subseteq \sigma_i$ - $Cl(f(A))$.

(4) \Rightarrow (3): Let F be any σ_i -closed subset of Y . Then $f((i, j)$ - ω - b - $Cl(f^{-1}(F)) \subseteq \sigma_i$ - $cl(f(f^{-1}(F))) \subseteq \sigma_i$ - $cl(F) = F$. Therefore, the (i, j) - ω - b - $Cl(f^{-1}(F)) \subseteq f^{-1}(F)$. Consequently, $f^{-1}(F)$ is a (i, j) - ω - b -closed set in X .

(4) \Rightarrow (5): Let $B \subseteq Y$. Now, $f((i, j)$ - ω - b - $Cl(f^{-1}(B))) \subseteq \sigma_i$ - $Cl(f(f^{-1}(B))) \subseteq \sigma_i$ - $Cl(B)$. Consequently, (i, j) - ω - b - $Cl(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(\sigma_i$ - $Cl(B))$.

(5) \Rightarrow (4): Let $B = f(A)$ where $A \subseteq X$. Then, (i, j) - ω - b - $Cl(A) \subseteq (i, j)$ - ω - b - $Cl(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(\sigma_i$ - $Cl(B)) = f^{-1}(\sigma_i$ - $Cl(f(A)))$, and hence $f((i, j)$ - ω - b - $Cl(A)) \subseteq \sigma_i$ - $Cl(f(A))$.

(1) \Rightarrow (6): Let $B \subseteq Y$. Clearly, $f^{-1}(\sigma_i$ - $Int(B))$ is a (i, j) - ω - b -open and we have $f^{-1}(\sigma_i$ - $Int(B)) \subseteq (i, j)$ - ω - b - $Int(f^{-1}\sigma_i$ - $Int(B)) \subseteq (i, j)$ - ω - b - $Int(f^{-1}B)$.

(6) \Rightarrow (1): Let B be a σ_i -open set in Y . Then σ_i - $Int(B) = B$ and $f^{-1}(B) \subseteq f^{-1}(\sigma_i$ - $Int(B)) \subseteq (i, j)$ - ω - b - $Int(f^{-1}(B))$. Hence, we have $f^{-1}(B) = (i, j)$ - ω - b - $Int(f^{-1}(B))$. This implies that $f^{-1}(B)$ is a (i, j) - ω - b -open in X . ■

Definition 5 Let (X, τ_1, τ_2) and (Y, σ_1, σ_2) be bitopological spaces and $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ a function. The graph $G(f)$ of $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ is said to be (i, j) - ω - b -closed in $X \times Y$, if for each $(x, y) \in (X \times Y) \setminus G(f)$, there exists $U \in (i, j)$ - ω - $BO(X, x)$, $i, j = 1, 2$ with $i \neq j$ and a σ_i -open set V of Y containing y such that $(U \times V) \cap G(f) = \emptyset$.

Lemma 3.5 The graph $G(f)$ of $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ is (i, j) - ω - b -closed in $X \times Y$ if and only if for each $(x, y) \in (X \times Y) \setminus G(f)$, there exists $U \in (i, j)$ - ω - $BO(X, x)$, $i, j = 1, 2$ and $i \neq j$ and a σ_i -open set V of Y containing y such that $f(U) \cap V = \emptyset$.

Proof. The proof is an immediate consequence of Definition 5. ■

Theorem 3.6 *If $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ is an (i, j) - ω - b -continuous function and (Y, σ_i) is a T_2 -space, $i = 1, 2$, then $G(f)$ is (i, j) - ω - b -closed.*

Proof. Let $(x, y) \in (X \times Y) \setminus G(f)$. Then $y \neq f(x)$. Since (Y, σ_i) is T_1 , there exist a σ_i -open set V and W of Y such that $f(x) \in V$ and $y \notin W$ and $V \cap W = \emptyset$. Since f is (i, j) - ω - b -continuous, there exists $U \in (i, j)$ - ω - $BO(X, x)$ such that $f(U) \subset V$. Therefore, $f(U) \cap W = \emptyset$. Therefore, by Lemma 3.5, $G(f)$ is (i, j) - ω - b -closed. ■

Definition 6 A bitopological space X is said to be a (i, j) - ω - b - T_2 space, if for each pair of distinct points $x, y \in X$, there exist $U, V \in (i, j)$ - ω - $BO(X)$ containing x and y , respectively, such that $U \cap V = \emptyset$.

Theorem 3.7 *If $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ is a (i, j) - ω - b -continuous injective function and (Y, σ_i) is a T_2 space, then (X, τ_1, τ_2) is a ω - b - T_2 space.*

Proof. The proof follows from the Definition 4 and 6. ■

Theorem 3.8 *If $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ is an injective (i, j) - ω - b -continuous function with (i, j) - ω - b -closed graph, then X is an (i, j) - ω - b - T_2 space.*

Proof. Let x_1 and x_2 be any pair of distinct points of X . Then $f(x_1) \neq f(x_2)$, so $(x_1, f(x_2)) \in (X \times Y) \setminus G(f)$. Since the graph $G(f)$ is (i, j) - ω - b -closed, then by Lemma 3.5, there exist an (i, j) - ω - b -open set U containing x_1 and $V \in \sigma_i$ containing $f(x_2)$ such that $f(U) \cap V = \emptyset$. Since f is (i, j) - ω - b -continuous, $f^{-1}(V)$ is an (i, j) - ω - b -open set containing x_2 such that $U \cap f^{-1}(V) = \emptyset$. Hence X is (i, j) - ω - b - T_2 . ■

Definition 7 Let A be a subset of a bitopological space X . A collection $\{U_\alpha : \alpha \in I\}$ of (i, j) - b -open subsets of X is called an (i, j) - b -open cover of A , if $A \subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} U_\alpha$.

Definition 8 A bitopological space X is said to be (i, j) - b -Lindeloff, if every (i, j) - b -open cover of X has a countable subcover. A subset A of bitopological space X is said to be (i, j) - b -Lindeloff relative to X , if every cover of A by (i, j) - b -open sets of X has a countable subcover.

Theorem 3.9 *Let X be a bitopological space. If every (i, j) - b -open subset is (i, j) - b -Lindeloff relative to X . Then every subset is (i, j) - b -Lindeloff relative to X*

Theorem 3.10 *For a bitopological space X . The following properties are equivalent:*

- (1) X is (i, j) - b -Lindeloff.
- (2) Every countable cover of X by (i, j) - b -open sets has a countable subcover.

Proof. (2) \Rightarrow (1): Since every (i, j) - b -open set is (i, j) - ω - b -open, the proof follows.
 (1) \Rightarrow (2): Let $\{U_\alpha : \alpha \in I\}$ be any cover of X by (i, j) - ω - b -open sets of X . For each $x \in X$, there exists an $\alpha_x \in I$ such that $x \in U_{\alpha_x}$. Since U_{α_x} is an (i, j) - ω - b -open, then using Definition 1, there exists a (i, j) - b -open set V_{α_x} such that $x \in V_{\alpha_x}$ and $V_{\alpha_x} - U_{\alpha_x}$ is countable. The family $\{V_\alpha : \alpha \in I\}$ is a (i, j) - b -open cover of X and X is (i, j) - b -Lindeloff. By Definition 8, the collection $\{V_\alpha : \alpha \in I\}$ has a countable subcover $\{U_{\alpha_{x_i}}\}_{i \in N}$ such that $X = \bigcup_{i \in N} V_{\alpha_{x_i}}$. Since $X = \bigcup_{i \in N} [(V_{\alpha_{x_i}} - U_{\alpha_{x_i}}) \cup U_{\alpha_{x_i}}] = \bigcup_{i \in N} [(V_{\alpha_{x_i}} - U_{\alpha_{x_i}}) \cup \bigcup_{i \in N} U_{\alpha_{x_i}}]$ and $V_{\alpha_{x_i}} - U_{\alpha_{x_i}}$ is a countable set, for each α_{x_i} , there exists a countable subset $I_{\alpha(x_i)}$ of I such that $V_{\alpha_{x_i}} - U_{\alpha_{x_i}} \subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha \in I_{\alpha(x_i)}} U_\alpha$ and therefore $X = \bigcup_{i \in N} (\bigcup_{\alpha \in I_{\alpha(x_i)}} U_\alpha) \cup (\bigcup_{i \in N} U_{\alpha(x_i)})$. ■

Definition 9 A bitopological space X is called pairwise Lindeloff if each pairwise open cover of X has a countable subcover.

Theorem 3.11 Let $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ be a surjective and (i, j) - ω - b -continuous function. If X is (i, j) - b -Lindeloff, then Y is pairwise Lindeloff.

Proof. Let $\{U_\alpha : \alpha \in I\}$ be any pairwise open cover of Y by σ_i -open sets. Then $\{f^{-1}(U_\alpha) : \alpha \in I\}$ is a (i, j) - ω - b -open cover of X . Since X is (i, j) - b -Lindeloff, there exists a countable subset I_0 of I such that $X = \bigcup_{\alpha \in I_0} U_\alpha$. Therefore, Y is a pairwise Lindeloff. ■

Definition 10 Let (X, τ_1, τ_2) and (Y, σ_1, σ_2) be a bitopological spaces. A function $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ is called:

- 1 (i, j) - ω - b -open if $f(U)$ is an (i, j) - ω - b -open set in Y for every τ_i -open set U of X .
- 2 (i, j) - ω - b -closed if $f(U)$ is an (i, j) - ω - b -closed set in Y for every τ_i -closed set U of X .

The following theorem give a characterization of (i, j) - ω - b -open functions.

Theorem 3.12 Let (X, τ_1, τ_2) and (Y, σ_1, σ_2) be a bitopological spaces and $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ a function, the following properties are equivalent:

- (1) f is an (i, j) - ω - b -open.
- (2) $f(\tau_i - \text{Int}(U)) \subseteq (i, j)$ - ω - b - $\text{Int}(f(U))$, for each subset U of X .
- (3) $\tau_i - \text{Int}(f^{-1}(V)) \subseteq f^{-1}((i, j)$ - ω - b - $\text{Int}(V))$, for each subset V of Y .

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2): Let U be any subset of X . Then $\tau_i - \text{Int}(U)$ is a τ_i -open set of X . Then $f(\tau_i - \text{Int}(U))$ is a (i, j) - ω - b -open set of Y . Since $f(\tau_i - \text{Int}(U)) \subseteq f(U)$, $f(\tau_i - \text{Int}(U)) = (i, j)$ - ω - b - $\text{Int}(f(\tau_i - \text{Int}(U))) \subseteq (i, j)$ - ω - b - $\text{Int}(f(U))$.

(2) \Rightarrow (3): Let V be any subset of Y . Then $f(\tau_i - \text{Int}(f^{-1}(V))) \subseteq (i, j)$ - ω - b - $\text{Int}(f(f^{-1}(V)))$. Hence $\tau_i - \text{Int}(f^{-1}(V)) \subseteq f^{-1}((i, j)$ - ω - b - $\text{Int}(V))$.

(3) \Rightarrow (1): Let U be any τ_i -open set of X . Then $\tau_i - \text{Int}(U) = U$. Now, $V = \tau_i - \text{Int}(V) \subseteq \tau_i - \text{Int}(f^{-1}(f(V))) \subseteq f^{-1}((i, j)$ - ω - b - $\text{Int}(f(V)))$. Which implies that $f(V) \subseteq f(f^{-1}((i, j)$ - ω - b - $\text{Int}(f(V)))) \subseteq (i, j)$ - ω - b - $\text{Int}(f(V))$. Hence $f(V)$ is a (i, j) - ω - b -open set of Y . Thus f is (i, j) - ω - b -open. ■

Theorem 3.13 *Let $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ be a function, then f is a (i, j) - ω - b -closed function if and only if the (i, j) - ω - b - $Cl(f(V)) \subseteq f(\tau_i - Cl(V))$ for each subset V of X .*

Proof. Let f be an (i, j) - ω - b -closed function and V be any subset of X . Then $f(V) \subseteq f(\tau_i - Cl(V))$ and $f(\tau_i - Cl(V))$ is an (i, j) - ω - b -closed set of Y . Hence (i, j) - ω - b - $Cl(f(V)) \subseteq (i, j)$ - ω - b - $Cl(f(\tau_i - Cl(V))) = f(\tau_i - Cl(V))$.

Conversely, let V be a τ_i -closed set of X . Then $f(V) \subseteq (i, j)$ - ω - b - $Cl(f(V)) \subseteq f(\tau_i - Cl(V)) = f(V)$. Hence $f(V)$ is an (i, j) - ω - b -closed set of Y . Therefore, f is an (i, j) - ω - b -closed function. ■

Definition 11 A bitopological space X is said to be (i, j) - ω - b -connected, if X cannot be expressed as the union of two nonempty disjoint (i, j) - ω - b -open sets.

Example 3.14 The bitopological space defined in Example 2.2 is not (i, j) - ω - b -connected but the bitopological space defined in Example 2.3 is (i, j) - ω - b -connected

Definition 12 A bitopological space X is said to be pairwise connected [7], if it cannot be expressed as the union of two nonempty disjoint sets U and V such that U is τ_i -open and V is τ_j -open, where $i, j = 1, 2$ and $i \neq j$.

Example 3.15 The bitopological space defined in Example 2.3 is pairwise connected

Theorem 3.16 *Let $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ be a (i, j) - ω - b -continuous function. If X is an (i, j) - ω - b -connected space then $f(X)$ is pairwise connected.*

Proof. The proof is clear. ■

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