

# Separated and Weakly Separated Subspaces of Topological Spaces

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**Summary.** A new concept of weakly separated subsets and subspaces of topological spaces is described in Mizar formalism. Based on [1], in comparison with the notion of separated subsets (subspaces), some properties of such subsets (subspaces) are discussed. Some necessary facts concerning closed subspaces, open subspaces and the union and the meet of two subspaces are also introduced. To present the main theorems we first formulate basic definitions. Let  $X$  be a topological space. Two subsets  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  of  $X$  are called *weakly separated* if  $A_1 \setminus A_2$  and  $A_2 \setminus A_1$  are separated. Two subspaces  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  of  $X$  are called *weakly separated* if their carriers are weakly separated. The following theorem contains a useful characterization of weakly separated subsets in the special case when  $A_1 \cup A_2$  is equal to the carrier of  $X$ .  *$A_1$  and  $A_2$  are weakly separated iff there are such subsets of  $X$ ,  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  closed (open) and  $C$  open (closed, respectively), that  $A_1 \cup A_2 = C_1 \cup C_2 \cup C$ ,  $C_1 \subset A_1$ ,  $C_2 \subset A_2$  and  $C \subset A_1 \cap A_2$ .* Next theorem divided into two parts contains similar characterization of weakly separated subspaces in the special case when the union of  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  is equal to  $X$ . *If  $X_1$  meets  $X_2$ , then  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are weakly separated iff either  $X_1$  is a subspace of  $X_2$  or  $X_2$  is a subspace of  $X_1$  or there are such open (closed) subspaces  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  of  $X$  that  $Y_1$  is a subspace of  $X_1$  and  $Y_2$  is a subspace of  $X_2$  and either  $X$  is equal to the union of  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  or there is a(n) closed (open, respectively) subspace  $Y$  of  $X$  being a subspace of the meet of  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  and with the property that  $X$  is the union of all  $Y_1$ ,  $Y_2$  and  $Y$ .* *If  $X_1$  misses  $X_2$ , then  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are weakly separated iff  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are open (closed) subspaces of  $X$ .* Moreover, the following simple characterization of separated subspaces by means of weakly separated ones is obtained.  *$X_1$  and  $X_2$  are separated iff there are weakly separated subspaces  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  is a subspace of  $Y_1$ ,  $X_2$  is a subspace of  $Y_2$  and either  $Y_1$  misses  $Y_2$  or the meet of  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  misses the union of  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ .*

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The papers [6], [7], [4], [3], [8], [2], and [5] provide the notation and terminology for this paper.

## 1. SOME PROPERTIES OF SUBSPACES OF TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

In the sequel  $X$  is a topological space. We now state a number of propositions:

- (1) For every subspace  $X_0$  of  $X$  holds the carrier of  $X_0$  is a subset of  $X$ .
- (2)  $X$  is a subspace of  $X$ .
- (3) For every strict topological space  $X$  holds  $X \upharpoonright \Omega_X = X$ .
- (4) For all subspaces  $X_1, X_2$  of  $X$  holds the carrier of  $X_1 \subseteq$  the carrier of  $X_2$  if and only if  $X_1$  is a subspace of  $X_2$ .
- (5) For all strict subspaces  $X_1, X_2$  of  $X$  holds the carrier of  $X_1 =$  the carrier of  $X_2$  if and only if  $X_1 = X_2$ .
- (6) For all strict subspaces  $X_1, X_2$  of  $X$  holds  $X_1$  is a subspace of  $X_2$  and  $X_2$  is a subspace of  $X_1$  if and only if  $X_1 = X_2$ .
- (7) For every subspace  $X_1$  of  $X$  and for every subspace  $X_2$  of  $X_1$  holds  $X_2$  is a subspace of  $X$ .
- (8) For every subspace  $X_0$  of  $X$  and for all subsets  $C, A$  of  $X$  and for every subset  $B$  of  $X_0$  such that  $C$  is closed and  $C \subseteq$  the carrier of  $X_0$  and  $A \subseteq C$  and  $A = B$  holds  $B$  is closed if and only if  $A$  is closed.
- (9) For every subspace  $X_0$  of  $X$  and for all subsets  $C, A$  of  $X$  and for every subset  $B$  of  $X_0$  such that  $C$  is open and  $C \subseteq$  the carrier of  $X_0$  and  $A \subseteq C$  and  $A = B$  holds  $B$  is open if and only if  $A$  is open.
- (10) For every non-empty subset  $A_0$  of  $X$  there exists a strict subspace  $X_0$  of  $X$  such that  $A_0 =$  the carrier of  $X_0$ .
- (11) For every subspace  $X_0$  of  $X$  and for every subset  $A$  of  $X$  such that  $A =$  the carrier of  $X_0$  holds  $X_0$  is a closed subspace of  $X$  if and only if  $A$  is closed.
- (12) For every closed subspace  $X_0$  of  $X$  and for every subset  $A$  of  $X$  and for every subset  $B$  of  $X_0$  such that  $A = B$  holds  $B$  is closed if and only if  $A$  is closed.
- (13) For every closed subspace  $X_1$  of  $X$  and for every closed subspace  $X_2$  of  $X_1$  holds  $X_2$  is a closed subspace of  $X$ .
- (14) For every closed subspace  $X_1$  of  $X$  and for every subspace  $X_2$  of  $X$  such that the carrier of  $X_1 \subseteq$  the carrier of  $X_2$  holds  $X_1$  is a closed subspace of  $X_2$ .
- (15) For every non-empty subset  $A_0$  of  $X$  such that  $A_0$  is closed there exists a strict closed subspace  $X_0$  of  $X$  such that  $A_0 =$  the carrier of  $X_0$ .

Let  $X$  be a topological space. A subspace of  $X$  is said to be an open subspace of  $X$  if:

- (Def.1) for every subset  $A$  of  $X$  such that  $A =$  the carrier of it holds  $A$  is open.

The following propositions are true:

- (16) For every subspace  $X_0$  of  $X$  and for every subset  $A$  of  $X$  such that  $A =$  the carrier of  $X_0$  holds  $X_0$  is an open subspace of  $X$  if and only if  $A$  is open.
- (17) For every open subspace  $X_0$  of  $X$  and for every subset  $A$  of  $X$  and for every subset  $B$  of  $X_0$  such that  $A = B$  holds  $B$  is open if and only if  $A$  is open.
- (18) For every open subspace  $X_1$  of  $X$  and for every open subspace  $X_2$  of  $X_1$  holds  $X_2$  is an open subspace of  $X$ .
- (19) For every open subspace  $X_1$  of  $X$  and for every subspace  $X_2$  of  $X$  such that the carrier of  $X_1 \subseteq$  the carrier of  $X_2$  holds  $X_1$  is an open subspace of  $X_2$ .
- (20) For every non-empty subset  $A_0$  of  $X$  such that  $A_0$  is open there exists a strict open subspace  $X_0$  of  $X$  such that  $A_0 =$  the carrier of  $X_0$ .

## 2. OPERATIONS ON SUBSPACES OF TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

In the sequel  $X$  denotes a topological space. Let us consider  $X$ , and let  $X_1, X_2$  be subspaces of  $X$ . The functor  $X_1 \cup X_2$  yielding a strict subspace of  $X$  is defined by:

(Def.2) the carrier of  $X_1 \cup X_2 =$  (the carrier of  $X_1$ )  $\cup$  (the carrier of  $X_2$ ).

In the sequel  $X_1, X_2, X_3$  will denote subspaces of  $X$ . One can prove the following propositions:

- (21)  $X_1 \cup X_2 = X_2 \cup X_1$  and  $(X_1 \cup X_2) \cup X_3 = X_1 \cup (X_2 \cup X_3)$ .
- (22)  $X_1$  is a subspace of  $X_1 \cup X_2$  and  $X_2$  is a subspace of  $X_1 \cup X_2$ .
- (23) For all strict subspaces  $X_1, X_2$  of  $X$  holds  $X_1$  is a subspace of  $X_2$  if and only if  $X_1 \cup X_2 = X_2$  but  $X_2$  is a subspace of  $X_1$  if and only if  $X_1 \cup X_2 = X_1$ .
- (24) For all closed subspaces  $X_1, X_2$  of  $X$  holds  $X_1 \cup X_2$  is a closed subspace of  $X$ .
- (25) For all open subspaces  $X_1, X_2$  of  $X$  holds  $X_1 \cup X_2$  is an open subspace of  $X$ .

We now define two new predicates. Let us consider  $X$ , and let  $X_1, X_2$  be subspaces of  $X$ . We say that  $X_1$  misses  $X_2$  if and only if:

(Def.3) (the carrier of  $X_1$ )  $\cap$  (the carrier of  $X_2$ )  $= \emptyset$ .

We say that  $X_1$  meets  $X_2$  if and only if:

(Def.4) (the carrier of  $X_1$ )  $\cap$  (the carrier of  $X_2$ )  $\neq \emptyset$ .

The following three propositions are true:

- (26)  $X_1$  misses  $X_2$  if and only if  $X_1$  does not meet  $X_2$ .
- (27)  $X_1$  misses  $X_2$  if and only if  $X_2$  misses  $X_1$  but  $X_1$  meets  $X_2$  if and only if  $X_2$  meets  $X_1$ .

- (28) For all subsets  $A_1, A_2$  of  $X$  such that  $A_1 =$  the carrier of  $X_1$  and  $A_2 =$  the carrier of  $X_2$  holds  $X_1$  misses  $X_2$  if and only if  $A_1$  misses  $A_2$  but  $X_1$  meets  $X_2$  if and only if  $A_1$  meets  $A_2$ .

Let us consider  $X$ , and let  $X_1, X_2$  be subspaces of  $X$ . Let us assume that  $X_1$  meets  $X_2$ . The functor  $X_1 \cap X_2$  yielding a strict subspace of  $X$  is defined by:

- (Def.5) the carrier of  $X_1 \cap X_2 = (\text{the carrier of } X_1) \cap (\text{the carrier of } X_2)$ .

In the sequel  $X_1, X_2, X_3$  will denote subspaces of  $X$ . We now state several propositions:

- (29) If  $X_1$  meets  $X_2$  or  $X_2$  meets  $X_1$ , then  $X_1 \cap X_2 = X_2 \cap X_1$  but if  $X_1$  meets  $X_2$  and  $X_1 \cap X_2$  meets  $X_3$  or  $X_2$  meets  $X_3$  and  $X_1$  meets  $X_2 \cap X_3$ , then  $(X_1 \cap X_2) \cap X_3 = X_1 \cap (X_2 \cap X_3)$ .
- (30) If  $X_1$  meets  $X_2$ , then  $X_1 \cap X_2$  is a subspace of  $X_1$  and  $X_1 \cap X_2$  is a subspace of  $X_2$ .
- (31) For all strict subspaces  $X_1, X_2$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  meets  $X_2$  holds  $X_1$  is a subspace of  $X_2$  if and only if  $X_1 \cap X_2 = X_1$  but  $X_2$  is a subspace of  $X_1$  if and only if  $X_1 \cap X_2 = X_2$ .
- (32) For all closed subspaces  $X_1, X_2$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  meets  $X_2$  holds  $X_1 \cap X_2$  is a closed subspace of  $X$ .
- (33) For all open subspaces  $X_1, X_2$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  meets  $X_2$  holds  $X_1 \cap X_2$  is an open subspace of  $X$ .
- (34) If  $X_1$  meets  $X_2$ , then  $X_1 \cap X_2$  is a subspace of  $X_1 \cup X_2$ .
- (35) For every subspace  $Y$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  meets  $Y$  or  $Y$  meets  $X_1$  but  $X_2$  meets  $Y$  or  $Y$  meets  $X_2$  holds  $(X_1 \cup X_2) \cap Y = X_1 \cap Y \cup X_2 \cap Y$  and  $Y \cap (X_1 \cup X_2) = Y \cap X_1 \cup Y \cap X_2$ .
- (36) For every subspace  $Y$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  meets  $X_2$  holds  $X_1 \cap X_2 \cup Y = (X_1 \cup Y) \cap (X_2 \cup Y)$  and  $Y \cup X_1 \cap X_2 = (Y \cup X_1) \cap (Y \cup X_2)$ .

### 3. SEPARATED AND WEAKLY SEPARATED SUBSETS OF TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

Let  $X$  be a topological space, and let  $A_1, A_2$  be subsets of  $X$ . Let us note that one can characterize the predicate  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are separated by the following (equivalent) condition:

- (Def.6)  $\overline{A_1} \cap A_2 = \emptyset$  and  $A_1 \cap \overline{A_2} = \emptyset$ .

In the sequel  $X$  is a topological space and  $A_1, A_2$  are subsets of  $X$ . We now state a number of propositions:

- (37) If  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are separated, then  $A_1$  misses  $A_2$ .
- (38) If  $A_1$  is closed and  $A_2$  is closed, then  $A_1$  misses  $A_2$  if and only if  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are separated.
- (39) If  $A_1 \cup A_2$  is closed and  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are separated, then  $A_1$  is closed and  $A_2$  is closed.

- (40) If  $A_1$  misses  $A_2$ , then if  $A_1$  is open, then  $A_1$  misses  $\overline{A_2}$  but if  $A_2$  is open, then  $\overline{A_1}$  misses  $A_2$ .
- (41) If  $A_1$  is open and  $A_2$  is open, then  $A_1$  misses  $A_2$  if and only if  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are separated.
- (42) If  $A_1 \cup A_2$  is open and  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are separated, then  $A_1$  is open and  $A_2$  is open.
- (43) For every subset  $C$  of  $X$  such that  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are separated holds  $A_1 \cap C$  and  $A_2 \cap C$  are separated and  $C \cap A_1$  and  $C \cap A_2$  are separated.
- (44) For every subset  $B$  of  $X$  holds if  $A_1$  and  $B$  are separated or  $A_2$  and  $B$  are separated, then  $A_1 \cap A_2$  and  $B$  are separated but if  $B$  and  $A_1$  are separated or  $B$  and  $A_2$  are separated, then  $B$  and  $A_1 \cap A_2$  are separated.
- (45) For every subset  $B$  of  $X$  holds  $A_1$  and  $B$  are separated and  $A_2$  and  $B$  are separated if and only if  $A_1 \cup A_2$  and  $B$  are separated but  $B$  and  $A_1$  are separated and  $B$  and  $A_2$  are separated if and only if  $B$  and  $A_1 \cup A_2$  are separated.
- (46)  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are separated if and only if there exist subsets  $C_1, C_2$  of  $X$  such that  $A_1 \subseteq C_1$  and  $A_2 \subseteq C_2$  and  $C_1$  misses  $A_2$  and  $C_2$  misses  $A_1$  and  $C_1$  is closed and  $C_2$  is closed.
- (47)  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are separated if and only if there exist subsets  $C_1, C_2$  of  $X$  such that  $A_1 \subseteq C_1$  and  $A_2 \subseteq C_2$  and  $C_1 \cap C_2$  misses  $A_1 \cup A_2$  and  $C_1$  is closed and  $C_2$  is closed.
- (48)  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are separated if and only if there exist subsets  $C_1, C_2$  of  $X$  such that  $A_1 \subseteq C_1$  and  $A_2 \subseteq C_2$  and  $C_1$  misses  $A_2$  and  $C_2$  misses  $A_1$  and  $C_1$  is open and  $C_2$  is open.
- (49)  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are separated if and only if there exist subsets  $C_1, C_2$  of  $X$  such that  $A_1 \subseteq C_1$  and  $A_2 \subseteq C_2$  and  $C_1 \cap C_2$  misses  $A_1 \cup A_2$  and  $C_1$  is open and  $C_2$  is open.

Let  $X$  be a topological space, and let  $A_1, A_2$  be subsets of  $X$ . We say that  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are weakly separated if and only if:

(Def.7)  $A_1 \setminus A_2$  and  $A_2 \setminus A_1$  are separated.

In the sequel  $X$  will be a topological space and  $A_1, A_2$  will be subsets of  $X$ . We now state a number of propositions:

- (50) If  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are weakly separated, then  $A_2$  and  $A_1$  are weakly separated.
- (51)  $A_1$  misses  $A_2$  and  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are weakly separated if and only if  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are separated.
- (52) If  $A_1 \subseteq A_2$  or  $A_2 \subseteq A_1$ , then  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are weakly separated.
- (53) If  $A_1$  is closed and  $A_2$  is closed, then  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are weakly separated.
- (54) If  $A_1$  is open and  $A_2$  is open, then  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are weakly separated.
- (55) For every subset  $C$  of  $X$  such that  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are weakly separated holds  $A_1 \cup C$  and  $A_2 \cup C$  are weakly separated and  $C \cup A_1$  and  $C \cup A_2$  are weakly separated.

- (56) For all subsets  $B_1, B_2$  of  $X$  such that  $B_1 \subseteq A_2$  and  $B_2 \subseteq A_1$  holds if  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are weakly separated, then  $A_1 \cup B_1$  and  $A_2 \cup B_2$  are weakly separated and  $B_1 \cup A_1$  and  $B_2 \cup A_2$  are weakly separated.
- (57) For every subset  $B$  of  $X$  holds if  $A_1$  and  $B$  are weakly separated and  $A_2$  and  $B$  are weakly separated, then  $A_1 \cap A_2$  and  $B$  are weakly separated but if  $B$  and  $A_1$  are weakly separated and  $B$  and  $A_2$  are weakly separated, then  $B$  and  $A_1 \cap A_2$  are weakly separated.
- (58) For every subset  $B$  of  $X$  holds if  $A_1$  and  $B$  are weakly separated and  $A_2$  and  $B$  are weakly separated, then  $A_1 \cup A_2$  and  $B$  are weakly separated but if  $B$  and  $A_1$  are weakly separated and  $B$  and  $A_2$  are weakly separated, then  $B$  and  $A_1 \cup A_2$  are weakly separated.
- (59)  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are weakly separated if and only if there exist subsets  $C_1, C_2, C$  of  $X$  such that  $C_1 \cap (A_1 \cup A_2) \subseteq A_1$  and  $C_2 \cap (A_1 \cup A_2) \subseteq A_2$  and  $C \cap (A_1 \cup A_2) \subseteq A_1 \cap A_2$  and the carrier of  $X = C_1 \cup C_2 \cup C$  and  $C_1$  is closed and  $C_2$  is closed and  $C$  is open.
- (60) Suppose  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are weakly separated and  $A_1 \not\subseteq A_2$  and  $A_2 \not\subseteq A_1$ . Then there exist non-empty subsets  $C_1, C_2$  of  $X$  such that  $C_1$  is closed and  $C_2$  is closed and  $C_1 \cap (A_1 \cup A_2) \subseteq A_1$  and  $C_2 \cap (A_1 \cup A_2) \subseteq A_2$  but  $A_1 \cup A_2 \subseteq C_1 \cup C_2$  or there exists a non-empty subset  $C$  of  $X$  such that  $C$  is open and  $C \cap (A_1 \cup A_2) \subseteq A_1 \cap A_2$  and the carrier of  $X = C_1 \cup C_2 \cup C$ .
- (61) If  $A_1 \cup A_2 =$  the carrier of  $X$ , then  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are weakly separated if and only if there exist subsets  $C_1, C_2, C$  of  $X$  such that  $A_1 \cup A_2 = C_1 \cup C_2 \cup C$  and  $C_1 \subseteq A_1$  and  $C_2 \subseteq A_2$  and  $C \subseteq A_1 \cap A_2$  and  $C_1$  is closed and  $C_2$  is closed and  $C$  is open.
- (62) Suppose  $A_1 \cup A_2 =$  the carrier of  $X$  and  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are weakly separated and  $A_1 \not\subseteq A_2$  and  $A_2 \not\subseteq A_1$ . Then there exist non-empty subsets  $C_1, C_2$  of  $X$  such that  $C_1$  is closed and  $C_2$  is closed and  $C_1 \subseteq A_1$  and  $C_2 \subseteq A_2$  but  $A_1 \cup A_2 = C_1 \cup C_2$  or there exists a non-empty subset  $C$  of  $X$  such that  $A_1 \cup A_2 = C_1 \cup C_2 \cup C$  and  $C \subseteq A_1 \cap A_2$  and  $C$  is open.
- (63)  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are weakly separated if and only if there exist subsets  $C_1, C_2, C$  of  $X$  such that  $C_1 \cap (A_1 \cup A_2) \subseteq A_1$  and  $C_2 \cap (A_1 \cup A_2) \subseteq A_2$  and  $C \cap (A_1 \cup A_2) \subseteq A_1 \cap A_2$  and the carrier of  $X = C_1 \cup C_2 \cup C$  and  $C_1$  is open and  $C_2$  is open and  $C$  is closed.
- (64) Suppose  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are weakly separated and  $A_1 \not\subseteq A_2$  and  $A_2 \not\subseteq A_1$ . Then there exist non-empty subsets  $C_1, C_2$  of  $X$  such that  $C_1$  is open and  $C_2$  is open and  $C_1 \cap (A_1 \cup A_2) \subseteq A_1$  and  $C_2 \cap (A_1 \cup A_2) \subseteq A_2$  but  $A_1 \cup A_2 \subseteq C_1 \cup C_2$  or there exists a non-empty subset  $C$  of  $X$  such that  $C$  is closed and  $C \cap (A_1 \cup A_2) \subseteq A_1 \cap A_2$  and the carrier of  $X = C_1 \cup C_2 \cup C$ .
- (65) If  $A_1 \cup A_2 =$  the carrier of  $X$ , then  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are weakly separated if and only if there exist subsets  $C_1, C_2, C$  of  $X$  such that  $A_1 \cup A_2 = C_1 \cup C_2 \cup C$  and  $C_1 \subseteq A_1$  and  $C_2 \subseteq A_2$  and  $C \subseteq A_1 \cap A_2$  and  $C_1$  is open and  $C_2$  is open and  $C$  is closed.
- (66) Suppose  $A_1 \cup A_2 =$  the carrier of  $X$  and  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are weakly separated

and  $A_1 \not\subseteq A_2$  and  $A_2 \not\subseteq A_1$ . Then there exist non-empty subsets  $C_1, C_2$  of  $X$  such that  $C_1$  is open and  $C_2$  is open and  $C_1 \subseteq A_1$  and  $C_2 \subseteq A_2$  but  $A_1 \cup A_2 = C_1 \cup C_2$  or there exists a non-empty subset  $C$  of  $X$  such that  $A_1 \cup A_2 = C_1 \cup C_2 \cup C$  and  $C \subseteq A_1 \cap A_2$  and  $C$  is closed.

- (67)  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are separated if and only if there exist subsets  $B_1, B_2$  of  $X$  such that  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  are weakly separated and  $A_1 \subseteq B_1$  and  $A_2 \subseteq B_2$  and  $B_1 \cap B_2$  misses  $A_1 \cup A_2$ .

#### 4. SEPARATED AND WEAKLY SEPARATED SUBSPACES OF TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

In the sequel  $X$  is a topological space. Let us consider  $X$ , and let  $X_1, X_2$  be subspaces of  $X$ . We say that  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are separated if and only if:

- (Def.8) for all subsets  $A_1, A_2$  of  $X$  such that  $A_1 =$  the carrier of  $X_1$  and  $A_2 =$  the carrier of  $X_2$  holds  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are separated.

In the sequel  $X_1, X_2$  will denote subspaces of  $X$ . One can prove the following propositions:

- (68) If  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are separated, then  $X_1$  misses  $X_2$ .
- (69) If  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are separated, then  $X_2$  and  $X_1$  are separated.
- (70) For all closed subspaces  $X_1, X_2$  of  $X$  holds  $X_1$  misses  $X_2$  if and only if  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are separated.
- (71) If  $X = X_1 \cup X_2$  and  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are separated, then  $X_1$  is a closed subspace of  $X$  and  $X_2$  is a closed subspace of  $X$ .
- (72) If  $X_1 \cup X_2$  is a closed subspace of  $X$  and  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are separated, then  $X_1$  is a closed subspace of  $X$  and  $X_2$  is a closed subspace of  $X$ .
- (73) For all open subspaces  $X_1, X_2$  of  $X$  holds  $X_1$  misses  $X_2$  if and only if  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are separated.
- (74) If  $X = X_1 \cup X_2$  and  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are separated, then  $X_1$  is an open subspace of  $X$  and  $X_2$  is an open subspace of  $X$ .
- (75) If  $X_1 \cup X_2$  is an open subspace of  $X$  and  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are separated, then  $X_1$  is an open subspace of  $X$  and  $X_2$  is an open subspace of  $X$ .
- (76) For all subspaces  $Y, X_1, X_2$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  meets  $Y$  and  $X_2$  meets  $Y$  holds if  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are separated, then  $X_1 \cap Y$  and  $X_2 \cap Y$  are separated and  $Y \cap X_1$  and  $Y \cap X_2$  are separated.
- (77) For all subspaces  $Y_1, Y_2$  of  $X$  such that  $Y_1$  is a subspace of  $X_1$  and  $Y_2$  is a subspace of  $X_2$  holds if  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are separated, then  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  are separated.
- (78) For every subspace  $Y$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  meets  $X_2$  holds if  $X_1$  and  $Y$  are separated or  $X_2$  and  $Y$  are separated, then  $X_1 \cap X_2$  and  $Y$  are separated but if  $Y$  and  $X_1$  are separated or  $Y$  and  $X_2$  are separated, then  $Y$  and  $X_1 \cap X_2$  are separated.

- (79) For every subspace  $Y$  of  $X$  holds  $X_1$  and  $Y$  are separated and  $X_2$  and  $Y$  are separated if and only if  $X_1 \cup X_2$  and  $Y$  are separated but  $Y$  and  $X_1$  are separated and  $Y$  and  $X_2$  are separated if and only if  $Y$  and  $X_1 \cup X_2$  are separated.
- (80)  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are separated if and only if there exist closed subspaces  $Y_1, Y_2$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  is a subspace of  $Y_1$  and  $X_2$  is a subspace of  $Y_2$  and  $Y_1$  misses  $X_2$  and  $Y_2$  misses  $X_1$ .
- (81)  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are separated if and only if there exist closed subspaces  $Y_1, Y_2$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  is a subspace of  $Y_1$  and  $X_2$  is a subspace of  $Y_2$  but  $Y_1$  misses  $Y_2$  or  $Y_1 \cap Y_2$  misses  $X_1 \cup X_2$ .
- (82)  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are separated if and only if there exist open subspaces  $Y_1, Y_2$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  is a subspace of  $Y_1$  and  $X_2$  is a subspace of  $Y_2$  and  $Y_1$  misses  $X_2$  and  $Y_2$  misses  $X_1$ .
- (83)  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are separated if and only if there exist open subspaces  $Y_1, Y_2$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  is a subspace of  $Y_1$  and  $X_2$  is a subspace of  $Y_2$  but  $Y_1$  misses  $Y_2$  or  $Y_1 \cap Y_2$  misses  $X_1 \cup X_2$ .

Let  $X$  be a topological space, and let  $X_1, X_2$  be subspaces of  $X$ . We say that  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are weakly separated if and only if:

- (Def.9) for all subsets  $A_1, A_2$  of  $X$  such that  $A_1 =$  the carrier of  $X_1$  and  $A_2 =$  the carrier of  $X_2$  holds  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are weakly separated.

In the sequel  $X_1, X_2$  will denote subspaces of  $X$ . The following propositions are true:

- (84) If  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are weakly separated, then  $X_2$  and  $X_1$  are weakly separated.
- (85)  $X_1$  misses  $X_2$  and  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are weakly separated if and only if  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are separated.
- (86) If  $X_1$  is a subspace of  $X_2$  or  $X_2$  is a subspace of  $X_1$ , then  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are weakly separated.
- (87) For all closed subspaces  $X_1, X_2$  of  $X$  holds  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are weakly separated.
- (88) For all open subspaces  $X_1, X_2$  of  $X$  holds  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are weakly separated.
- (89) For every subspace  $Y$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are weakly separated holds  $X_1 \cup Y$  and  $X_2 \cup Y$  are weakly separated and  $Y \cup X_1$  and  $Y \cup X_2$  are weakly separated.
- (90) For all subspaces  $Y_1, Y_2$  of  $X$  such that  $Y_1$  is a subspace of  $X_2$  and  $Y_2$  is a subspace of  $X_1$  holds if  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are weakly separated, then  $X_1 \cup Y_1$  and  $X_2 \cup Y_2$  are weakly separated and  $Y_1 \cup X_1$  and  $Y_2 \cup X_2$  are weakly separated.
- (91) For all subspaces  $Y, X_1, X_2$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  meets  $X_2$  holds if  $X_1$  and  $Y$  are weakly separated and  $X_2$  and  $Y$  are weakly separated, then  $X_1 \cap X_2$

and  $Y$  are weakly separated but if  $Y$  and  $X_1$  are weakly separated and  $Y$  and  $X_2$  are weakly separated, then  $Y$  and  $X_1 \cap X_2$  are weakly separated.

- (92) For every subspace  $Y$  of  $X$  holds if  $X_1$  and  $Y$  are weakly separated and  $X_2$  and  $Y$  are weakly separated, then  $X_1 \cup X_2$  and  $Y$  are weakly separated but if  $Y$  and  $X_1$  are weakly separated and  $Y$  and  $X_2$  are weakly separated, then  $Y$  and  $X_1 \cup X_2$  are weakly separated.
- (93) Let  $X$  be a strict topological space. Let  $X_1, X_2$  be subspaces of  $X$ . Suppose  $X_1$  meets  $X_2$ . Then  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are weakly separated if and only if  $X_1$  is a subspace of  $X_2$  or  $X_2$  is a subspace of  $X_1$  or there exist closed subspaces  $Y_1, Y_2$  of  $X$  such that  $Y_1 \cap (X_1 \cup X_2)$  is a subspace of  $X_1$  and  $Y_2 \cap (X_1 \cup X_2)$  is a subspace of  $X_2$  but  $X_1 \cup X_2$  is a subspace of  $Y_1 \cup Y_2$  or there exists an open subspace  $Y$  of  $X$  such that  $X = Y_1 \cup Y_2 \cup Y$  and  $Y \cap (X_1 \cup X_2)$  is a subspace of  $X_1 \cap X_2$ .
- (94) Suppose  $X = X_1 \cup X_2$  and  $X_1$  meets  $X_2$ . Then  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are weakly separated if and only if  $X_1$  is a subspace of  $X_2$  or  $X_2$  is a subspace of  $X_1$  or there exist closed subspaces  $Y_1, Y_2$  of  $X$  such that  $Y_1$  is a subspace of  $X_1$  and  $Y_2$  is a subspace of  $X_2$  but  $X = Y_1 \cup Y_2$  or there exists an open subspace  $Y$  of  $X$  such that  $X = Y_1 \cup Y_2 \cup Y$  and  $Y$  is a subspace of  $X_1 \cap X_2$ .
- (95) If  $X = X_1 \cup X_2$  and  $X_1$  misses  $X_2$ , then  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are weakly separated if and only if  $X_1$  is a closed subspace of  $X$  and  $X_2$  is a closed subspace of  $X$ .
- (96) Let  $X$  be a strict topological space. Let  $X_1, X_2$  be subspaces of  $X$ . Suppose  $X_1$  meets  $X_2$ . Then  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are weakly separated if and only if  $X_1$  is a subspace of  $X_2$  or  $X_2$  is a subspace of  $X_1$  or there exist open subspaces  $Y_1, Y_2$  of  $X$  such that  $Y_1 \cap (X_1 \cup X_2)$  is a subspace of  $X_1$  and  $Y_2 \cap (X_1 \cup X_2)$  is a subspace of  $X_2$  but  $X_1 \cup X_2$  is a subspace of  $Y_1 \cup Y_2$  or there exists a closed subspace  $Y$  of  $X$  such that  $X = Y_1 \cup Y_2 \cup Y$  and  $Y \cap (X_1 \cup X_2)$  is a subspace of  $X_1 \cap X_2$ .
- (97) Suppose  $X = X_1 \cup X_2$  and  $X_1$  meets  $X_2$ . Then  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are weakly separated if and only if  $X_1$  is a subspace of  $X_2$  or  $X_2$  is a subspace of  $X_1$  or there exist open subspaces  $Y_1, Y_2$  of  $X$  such that  $Y_1$  is a subspace of  $X_1$  and  $Y_2$  is a subspace of  $X_2$  but  $X = Y_1 \cup Y_2$  or there exists a closed subspace  $Y$  of  $X$  such that  $X = Y_1 \cup Y_2 \cup Y$  and  $Y$  is a subspace of  $X_1 \cap X_2$ .
- (98) If  $X = X_1 \cup X_2$  and  $X_1$  misses  $X_2$ , then  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are weakly separated if and only if  $X_1$  is an open subspace of  $X$  and  $X_2$  is an open subspace of  $X$ .
- (99)  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are separated if and only if there exist subspaces  $Y_1, Y_2$  of  $X$  such that  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  are weakly separated and  $X_1$  is a subspace of  $Y_1$  and  $X_2$  is a subspace of  $Y_2$  but  $Y_1$  misses  $Y_2$  or  $Y_1 \cap Y_2$  misses  $X_1 \cup X_2$ .

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