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A bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a set  $X$  together with two (arbitrary) topologies  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  defined on  $X$ . The first significant investigation into bitopological spaces was launched by J. C. Kelly in 1963. He recognized that by relaxing the symmetry condition on pseudo-metrics, two topologies were induced by the resulting quasi-pseudo-metrics. Furthermore, Kelly extended some of the standard results of separation axioms in a topological space to a bitopological space. Some such extension are pairwise regular, pairwise Hausdorff and pairwise normal spaces. There are several works dedicated to the investigation of bitopologies; most of them deal with the theory itself but very few with applications. In this thesis, we are concerned with the ideas of pairwise Lindelöfness, generalizations of pairwise Lindelöfness and generalizations of pairwise regular-Lindelöfness in bitopological spaces motivated by the known ideas of Lindelöfness, generalized Lindelöfness and generalized regular-Lindelöfness in topological spaces.

There are four kinds of pairwise Lindelöf space namely Lindelöf,  $B$ -Lindelöf,  $s$ -Lindelöf and  $p$ -Lindelöf spaces that depend on open,  $i$ -open,  $\tau_1 \tau_2$ -open and  $p$ -open



covers respectively introduced by Reilly in 1973, and Fora and Hdeib in 1983. For instance, a bitopological space  $X$  is said to be  $p$ -Lindelöf if every  $p$ -open cover of  $X$  has a countable subcover. There are three kinds of generalized pairwise Lindelöf space namely pairwise nearly Lindelöf, pairwise almost Lindelöf and pairwise weakly Lindelöf spaces that depend on open covers and pairwise regular open covers. Another idea is to generalize pairwise regular-Lindelöfness to bitopological spaces. This leads to the classes of pairwise nearly regular-Lindelöf, pairwise almost regular-Lindelöf and pairwise weakly regular-Lindelöf spaces that depend on pairwise regular covers.

Some characterizations of these generalized Lindelöf bitopological spaces are given. The relations among them are studied and some counterexamples are given in order to prove that the generalizations studied are proper generalizations of Lindelöf bitopological spaces. Subspaces and subsets of these spaces are also studied, and some of their characterizations investigated. We show that some subsets of these spaces inherit these generalized pairwise covering properties and some others, do not.

Mappings and generalized pairwise continuity are also studied in relation to these generalized pairwise covering properties and we prove that these properties are bitopological properties. Some decompositions of pairwise continuity are defined and their properties are studied. Several counterexamples are also given to establish the relations among these generalized pairwise continuities. The effect of mappings, some decompositions of pairwise continuity and some generalized pairwise openness mappings on these generalized pairwise covering properties are investigated. We



show that some proper mappings preserve these pairwise covering properties such as: pairwise  $\delta$ -continuity preserves the pairwise nearly Lindelöf property; pairwise  $\theta$ -continuity preserves the pairwise almost Lindelöf property; pairwise almost continuity preserves the pairwise weakly Lindelöf, pairwise almost regular-Lindelöf and pairwise weakly regular-Lindelöf properties; and pairwise  $R$ -maps preserve the pairwise nearly regular-Lindelöf property. Moreover, we give some conditions on the maps or on the spaces which ensure that weak forms of pairwise continuity preserve some of these generalized pairwise covering properties.

Furthermore, it is shown that all the generalized pairwise covering properties are satisfy the pairwise semiregular invariant properties where some of them satisfy the pairwise semiregular properties. On the other hand, none of the pairwise Lindelöf properties are pairwise semiregular properties. The productivity of these generalized pairwise covering properties are also studied. It is well known by Tychonoff Product Theorem that compactness and pairwise compactness are preserved under products. We show by means of counterexamples that in general the pairwise Lindelöf, pairwise nearly Lindelöf and similar properties are not even preserved under finite products. We give some necessary conditions, for example the  $P$ -space property; under which these generalized pairwise covering properties become finitely productive.

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Suatu ruang bitopologi  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  ialah suatu set  $X$  bersama dengan dua (sebarangan) topologi  $\tau_1$  dan  $\tau_2$  ditakrifkan pada  $X$ . Penyelidikan bermakna yang pertama dalam ruang bitopologi telah dimulakan oleh J. C. Kelly dalam tahun 1963. Beliau memperkenalkannya dengan merehatkan syarat simetri pada metrik-pseudo supaya dua topologi diaruh oleh metrik-quasi-pseudo yang terhasil. Selanjutnya, Kelly telah mengitlakan beberapa hasil piawai bagi aksiom-aksiom pemisahan dalam suatu ruang topologi kepada suatu ruang bitopologi. Beberapa pengitlakan tersebut ialah ruang sekata pasangan demi pasangan, Hausdorff pasangan demi pasangan dan normal pasangan demi pasangan. Terdapat beberapa kerja yang didedikasikan terhadap penyelidikan bitopologi ini; kebanyakannya menangani teori itu sendiri tetapi sangat sedikit aplikasinya. Dalam tesis ini, kita menumpukan kepada idea keLindelöfan pasangan demi pasangan, pengitlakan keLindelöfan pasangan demi pasangan dan pengitlakan keLindelöfan-sekata pasangan demi pasangan dalam ruang bitopologi dimotivasikan oleh idea-idea yang diketahui bagi keLindelöfan, keLindelöfan teritlak dan keLindelöfan-sekata teritlak dalam ruang topologi.

Terdapat empat jenis ruang Lindelöf pasangan demi pasangan yaitu ruang Lindelöf,  $B$ -Lindelöf,  $s$ -Lindelöf dan  $p$ -Lindelöf yang bergantung kepada tudung terbuka,  $i$ -terbuka,  $\tau_1 \tau_2$ -terbuka dan  $p$ -terbuka masing-masing diperkenalkan oleh Reilly dalam tahun 1973, dan Fora dan Hdeib dalam tahun 1983. Misalannya, suatu ruang bitopologi  $X$  dikatakan  $p$ -Lindelöf jika setiap tudung  $p$ -terbuka mempunyai suatu subtudung terbilangkan. Terdapat tiga jenis pengitlakan ruang Lindelöf pasangan demi pasangan, yaitu ruang dekat Lindelöf pasangan demi pasangan, hampir Lindelöf pasangan demi pasangan dan lemah Lindelöf pasangan demi pasangan yang bergantung kepada tudung terbuka dan tudung terbuka sekata pasangan demi pasangan. Idea lain ialah pengitlakan keLindelöfan-sekata pasangan demi pasangan dalam ruang bitopologi. Ini membawa kepada kelas bagi ruang dekat Lindelöf-sekata pasangan demi pasangan, hampir Lindelöf-sekata pasangan demi pasangan dan lemah Lindelöf-sekata pasangan demi pasangan yang bergantung kepada tudung sekata pasangan demi pasangan.

Beberapa ciri-ciri bagi ruang bitopologi Lindelöf teritlak diberikan. Hubungan diantara mereka dikaji dan beberapa contoh penyangkal diberikan untuk membuktikan pengitlakan yang dikaji itu adalah pengitlakan yang wajar bagi ruang bitopologi Lindelöf. Subruang dan subset bagi ruang-ruang ini juga dikaji, dan beberapa ciri-cirinya diselidik. Kita tunjukkan bahawa beberapa subset bagi ruang-ruang ini mewarisi sifat-sifat tudung pasangan demi pasangan teritlak dan beberapa yang lain, tidak.

Pemetaan dan keselajaran pasangan demi pasangan teritlak juga dikaji pada sifat-sifat tudung pasangan demi pasangan teritlak ini dan kita membuktikan bahawa sifat-



sifat ini adalah sifat-sifat bitopologi. Beberapa penguraian keselanjaran pasangan demi pasangan ditakrifkan dan sifat-sifat mereka dikaji. Pelbagai contoh-contoh penyangkal juga diberikan untuk mengukuhkan hubungan diantara keselanjaran pasangan demi pasangan teritlak ini. Kesan bagi pemetaan, beberapa penguraian keselanjaran pasangan demi pasangan dan beberapa pemetaan terbuka pasangan demi pasangan teritlak pada sifat-sifat tudung pasangan demi pasangan teritlak ini diselidik. Kita tunjukkan bahawa beberapa pemetaan yang wajar, mengekalkan sifat-sifat tudung pasangan demi pasangan teritlak ini seperti:  $\delta$ -keselanjaran pasangan demi pasangan mengekalkan sifat dekat Lindelöf pasangan demi pasangan;  $\theta$ -keselanjaran pasangan demi pasangan mengekalkan sifat hampir Lindelöf pasangan demi pasangan; hampir keselanjaran pasangan demi pasangan mengekalkan sifat-sifat lemah Lindelöf pasangan demi pasangan, hampir Lindelöf-sekata pasangan demi pasangan dan lemah Lindelöf-sekata pasangan demi pasangan; dan peta- $R$  pasangan demi pasangan mengekalkan sifat dekat Lindelöf-sekata pasangan demi pasangan. Seterusnya, kita memberikan beberapa syarat pada pemetaan ataupun ruang yang memastikan bahawa bentuk-bentuk lemah bagi keselanjaran pasangan demi pasangan mengekalkan beberapa sifat-sifat tudung pasangan demi pasangan teritlak ini.

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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

$i\text{-int}(A)$ or $i\text{-int}_X(A)$	interior of $A$ in $X$ with respect to $\tau_i$
$i\text{-cl}(A)$ or $i\text{-cl}_X(A)$	closure of $A$ in $X$ with respect to $\tau_i$
$\mathbb{R}$	set of real numbers
$\mathbb{N}$	set of natural numbers
$\mathbb{Q}$	set of rational numbers
$\aleph_0$	cardinality of $\mathbb{N}$
$\subseteq$	Subset
$X \setminus A$	complement of $A$ in $X$
$(X, \tau)$	topological space $X$
$(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$	bitopological space $X$
$(X, \tau_{(1,2)}^s, \tau_{(2,1)}^s)$	pairwise semiregularization of $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$
$\tau _A$	induced (or relative) topology $\tau$ on $A$
$(A, \tau_1 _A, \tau_2 _A)$	subspace of $X$ whenever $A \subseteq X$
$\tau_d$	discrete topology
$\tau_{ind}$	indiscrete topology
$\tau_u$	usual (Euclidean) topology
$\tau_{cof}$	cofinite (finite complement) topology
$\tau_{coc}$	cocountable (countable complement) topology
$\tau_s$	Sorgenfrey topology



$\tau_{l,r}$	left ray topology
$\tau_{r,r}$	right ray topology
iff	if and only if
$\Delta$	index set

# CHAPTER 1

## INTRODUCTION

In theoretical and applied areas of mathematics we frequently deal with sets endowed with various structures. However, it may happen that the consideration of a set with a specific structure, say topological, algebraic, order, uniform, convex etcetera is not sufficient to solve the problem posed and in that case, it becomes necessary to introduce an additional structure on the set under consideration. To confirm this idea, it will do to recall the theories of topological groups, ordered topological spaces, topological spaces with measure, convex topological structures and others. This list is not complete without adding the theory of bitopological spaces.

The notion of a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ , that is, a set  $X$  equipped with two arbitrary topologies  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$ , was first formulated by J. C. Kelly [29] in 1963. Kelly investigated non-symmetric distance functions, the so-called quasi-pseudo-metrics on  $X \times X$ , that generate two topologies on  $X$  that, in general, are independent of each other. Previously, such non-symmetric distance functions had been studied by Wilson [87]. Distance functions, uniformity and proximity are the related notions in defining the topology and, naturally, the situation treated in [29] is by no means the only way leading to a non-symmetric occurrence of two topologies on the same set; the investigations of quasi-uniformity and quasi-proximity (see [15], [23], [61]) also lead to an analogous results.



From the above said, it follows that due to the specific properties of the considered structures two topologies are frequently generated on the same set and can be either independent of each other though symmetric by construction or closely interconnected. Certainly, the investigation of a set with two topologies, interconnected by relations of “bitopological” character, makes it possible on some occasions to obtain a combined effect, that is, to get more information than we would acquire if we considered the same set with each topology separately.

If we compare all the results available in the theory of bitopological spaces from the general point of view, we shall find that in different cases two topologies on a set are not, generally speaking, interconnected by some common law that takes place for all bitopological spaces. However if, when defining a bitopological notion, the closure and interior operators are successively applied in an arbitrary initial order to the same set, then in general, these operators will interchange in topologies as well. For example, the reader may refer to the concepts of  $(i, j)$ -regular open and  $(i, j)$ -regular closed sets in Chapter 2.

Bitopological spaces that we are going to discuss is one of the research interest recently in the area of topology. It should be also noted that at present, there are several hundred works dedicated to the investigation of bitopologies; most of them deal with the theory itself but very few deal with applications. Before starting, we recall that, spaces mean topological spaces or bitopological spaces on which no separation axioms nor bitopological separation axioms are assumed unless explicitly stated otherwise, and the bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  will be



replaced by  $X$  if there is no chance for confusion.

## 1.1 Historical Remarks

A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be Lindelöf if every open cover of  $X$  has a countable subcover. The Lindelöf Theorem, that every second countable space is Lindelöf, was proved for Euclidean spaces as early as 1903 by Ernest Leonard Lindelöf (1870-1946) (*Sur Quelques point de la théorie des Ensembles*). The formal study of Lindelöf spaces was begun in 1921 by Kuratowski and Sierpinski (*La Théorème de Boral-Lebesgue dans la Théorie des Ensembles Abstracts*). Lindelöf spaces were called finally compact spaces by authors in Russia, see for example, Alexandroff (*Some Results in the Theory of Topological Spaces*) (see [85]).

The idea of Lindelöf property came from studying compactness property. Since compactness is a very important property in topology and analysis, mathematicians have studied it widely. In compact spaces we deal with open covers to admit finite subcovers. After that compactness was generalized to countable compactness and sequentially compactness. The idea of Lindelöf property came later by dealing with open covers to admit countable subcovers.

Since the relationship between compactness and Lindelöfness are very strong, where every compact space is Lindelöf but not the converse, many properties of compact spaces were generalized onto Lindelöf spaces. Thus mathematicians first studied some generalizations of compact spaces such as: paracompactness,





metacompactness, real compactness, nearly compactness, weakly compactness etc. Mathematicians called all these concepts covering properties. They generalized these concepts again to new covering properties such as nearly Lindelöf, almost Lindelöf, weakly Lindelöf, para-Lindelöf and other generalizations.

Many generalizations of Lindelöf spaces have been introduced by several authors for different reasons and purposes. Some of these generalizations depend on their definitions on open covers as in Lindelöf spaces. Others depend on regular open covers, regular closed covers, and regular covers which are introduced by Cammaroto and Lo Faro [6]. About generalizations of Lindelöf spaces that depend on open covers and regular open covers, Frolik [25] introduced the notion of weakly Lindelöf spaces, which were then studied by many authors; see for examples [9], [26], [84], [88] and [3]. After that, Balasubramaniam [2] introduced and studied nearly Lindelöf spaces that are between Lindelöf spaces and weakly Lindelöf spaces. Willard and Dissanayake [86] gave the notion of almost  $\kappa$ -Lindelöf spaces, that for  $\kappa = \aleph_0$  are called almost Lindelöf spaces, and that are between nearly Lindelöf spaces and weakly Lindelöf spaces.

Moreover, Cammaroto and Santoro [7] studied some characterizations and relations among nearly Lindelöf, almost Lindelöf and weakly Lindelöf spaces. It was also introduced the notions of almost regular-Lindelöf, nearly regular-Lindelöf and weakly regular-Lindelöf spaces as a new generalizations of Lindelöf spaces that depend on regular covers. Cammaroto and Santoro have studied some characterizations of almost regular-Lindelöf spaces and left the study of the other

