



A Covering Property with respect to Generalized Preopen Sets

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ABSTRACT: In this paper, we introduce and study the notion of μ -precompact spaces on the observation that each μ -preopen set of a generalized topological space is contained in a μ -open set. The μ -precompactness is weaker than μ -compactness but stronger than weakly μ -compactness of generalized topological spaces.

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1. Introduction

Let (X, \mathcal{P}) be a topological space. We find that certain subsets like semi-open sets (Levine [10], also called β -sets by Njåstad [13]), pre-open sets (Mashhour et al. [11]), semi-pre-open sets (Andrijević [1], also called β -open sets by El-Monsef et al. [9]), α -sets (Njåstad [13]) of a topological space X possess properties more or less similar to those of open sets of X . Also topological properties generated by sets like semi-open, pre-open etc. had impacts in developing the study of classical objects, see e.g. [7,8,18]. On this observation, Császár [6] introduced and studied γ -open sets in X . Again following the properties of γ -open sets of a topological space, Császár [4] introduced and studied the concept of generalized topology.

Let X be a nonempty set and μ be a subcollection of the power set $\exp(X)$ of X . μ is called a generalized topology on X if $\emptyset \in \mu$ and the union of arbitrary number of elements of μ is again a member of μ . A nonempty set X endowed with a generalized topology μ is called a generalized topological space and it is denoted by (X, μ) . We write GT (resp. GTS) to denote the generalized topology μ (resp. generalized topological space (X, μ)). An element of μ is called a μ -open set of (X, μ) . The complement of a μ -open set is called a μ -closed set of (X, μ) . A generalized topological space (X, μ) is called strong [3] (also called μ -space by Noiri [14]) if $X \in \mu$. For brevity, we retain the term μ -space due to Noiri [14] to mean the strongly generalized topological space (X, μ) as well.

Henceforth, we write X to denote a GTS or μ -space to be understood from the context. For a subset A of a GTS X , the generalized closure [2] of A is denoted by $c_\mu(A)$ which is the intersection of all μ -closed sets containing A and the generalized interior [2] of A is denoted by $i_\mu(A)$ which is the union of all μ -open sets contained

in A . It can be proved that a subset A of X is μ -open (resp. μ -closed) if and only if $A = i_\mu(A)$ (resp. $A = c_\mu(A)$). Also for any subset A of X , we have $c_\mu(A) = X - i_\mu(X - A)$.

Throughout the paper, N denotes the set of natural numbers and R , the set of real numbers.

2. μ -precompact spaces

We begin by recalling some known definitions and results to use in the sequel.

Definition 2.1 (Császár [2]). *A subset A of X is called μ -preopen if $A \subset i_\mu(c_\mu(A))$ and μ -semiopen if $A \subset c_\mu(i_\mu(A))$.*

Definition 2.2 (Sarsak [17]). *A subset A of a GTS X is called μ -regularly closed if $A = c_\mu(i_\mu(A))$. The complement of a μ -regularly closed set is called a μ -regularly open set. So a subset A of a GTS is μ -regularly open if $A = i_\mu(c_\mu(A))$.*

Note that if G is a μ -open set in X , then $i_\mu(c_\mu(G))$ is μ -regularly open in X .

We see that a subset A of X is μ -preopen if and only if there exists a μ -open set G such that $A \subset G \subset c_\mu(A)$. Also a subset A of X is μ -semiopen if and only if there exists a μ -open set G such that $G \subset A \subset c_\mu(G)$.

We write ' μ -open collection' and ' μ -preopen collection' to mean a collection consisting μ -open sets and μ -preopen sets respectively of a μ -space. A cover of a μ -space X is a collection \mathcal{A} of subsets of X such that $\bigcup_{A \in \mathcal{A}} A = X$. \mathcal{A} is called a μ -open cover (resp. μ -preopen cover) of X if \mathcal{A} is a μ -open collection (resp. μ -preopen collection) of X and covers X . The terms ' μ -regularly μ -open collection', ' μ -regularly μ -open cover', ' μ -semiopen collection', ' μ -semiopen cover' are apparent.

Definition 2.3 (Sarsak [16]). *A μ -space is called μ -compact if each μ -open cover of X has a finite subcover.*

Definition 2.4 (Sarsak [17]). *A μ -space is called weakly μ -compact (briefly, $w\mu$ -compact) if each μ -open cover \mathcal{G} of X has a finite subcollection \mathcal{G}_n such that $\bigcup_{G \in \mathcal{G}_n} c_\mu(G) = X$.*

Definition 2.5 (Sarsak [15]). *A μ -space is called μ -S-closed if each μ -semiopen cover \mathcal{G} of X has a finite subcollection \mathcal{G}_n such that $\bigcup_{G \in \mathcal{G}_n} c_\mu(G) = X$.*

We now introduce the following.

Definition 2.6. *Let \mathcal{S} be a μ -preopen collection of X . For each $A \in \mathcal{S}$, there exists a μ -open set U such that $A \subset U \subset c_\mu(A)$. We define $\mathcal{U} = \{U \mid A \in \mathcal{S}, A \subset U \subset c_\mu(A)\}$. Then \mathcal{U} is said to be a ' μ -open super collection' of \mathcal{S} .*

It follows that there always exists a μ -open super collection of a μ -preopen collection of a μ -space X . We also see that \mathcal{U} is a cover of X if \mathcal{S} is a cover of X . In this case, \mathcal{U} is said to be a μ -open super cover of the μ -preopen cover \mathcal{S} .

Definition 2.7. *A μ -space X is said to be μ -precompact if each μ -preopen cover of X has a finite μ -open super cover.*

If \mathcal{U} is a finite μ -open super cover of a μ -preopen cover \mathcal{S} of a μ -precompact space X , then for each $U \in \mathcal{U}$, there exists a μ -preopen set $A \in \mathcal{S}$ such that $A \subset U \subset c_\mu(A)$. Thus we have a finite subcollection $\{A \mid U \in \mathcal{U}, A \subset U \subset Cl(A)\}$ of \mathcal{S} corresponding to \mathcal{U} .

It is easy to see that a μ -compact space is a μ -precompact space and a μ -precompact space is a weakly μ -compact space but reverse implication relations are not true.

Example 2.8. On R , we define $\mu = \{\emptyset, R\} \cup \{(-\infty, n) \mid n \in N\} \cup \{[1, \infty)\}$. The μ -space (R, μ) is μ -precompact but not a μ -compact space.

Lemma 2.9. If A is μ -preopen in X , then $i_\mu(c_\mu(A))$ is μ -regularly open in X .

Proof: Since A is a μ -preopen set in X , there exists a μ -open set G such that $A \subset G \subset c_\mu(A)$ which implies that $c_\mu(A) = c_\mu(G)$. Thus we have $i_\mu(c_\mu(A)) = i_\mu(c_\mu(G))$. Since $i_\mu(c_\mu(G))$ is μ -regularly open, $i_\mu(c_\mu(A))$ is μ -regularly open in X . \square

Example 2.10 (cf. Example 1 [12]). We define $\mu = \{\emptyset, (-\infty, b), (-\infty, b]\}$ where $b \in R$. So (X, μ) is a GTS. We put $A = (-\infty, a)$, $a \in R$ and $a > b$. We see that $i_\mu(c_\mu(A)) = (-\infty, b]$ and $i_\mu(c_\mu((-\infty, b])) = (-\infty, b]$. It means that $i_\mu(c_\mu(A))$ is μ -regularly open in (X, μ) . As $A \not\subset i_\mu(c_\mu(A))$, A is not μ -preopen in X .

So we conclude that the converse of Lemma 2.9 need not be true in general.

Theorem 2.11. A μ -space X is μ -precompact if and only if each μ -preopen cover \mathcal{S} of X has a finite μ -regularly open super cover $\{i_\mu(c_\mu(A)) \mid A \in \mathcal{T}\}$ where \mathcal{T} is a finite subcollection of \mathcal{S} .

Proof: By μ -precompactness of X , we obtain a finite μ -open super cover \mathcal{G} of \mathcal{S} . For each $G \in \mathcal{G}$, there exists $A \in \mathcal{S}$ such that $A \subset G \subset c_\mu(A)$ which implies that $A \subset G \subset i_\mu(c_\mu(A)) \subset c_\mu(A)$. We put $\mathcal{T} = \{A \in \mathcal{S} \mid G \in \mathcal{G}, A \subset G \subset c_\mu(A)\}$. It means that \mathcal{T} is a finite subcollection of \mathcal{S} . \mathcal{G} being a cover of X , $\{i_\mu(c_\mu(A)) \mid A \in \mathcal{T}\}$ is also a cover of X . By Lemma 2.9, $i_\mu(c_\mu(B))$ is regularly open for each $B \in \mathcal{T}$. So \mathcal{T} is a finite subcollection of \mathcal{S} such that $\{i_\mu(c_\mu(B)) \mid B \in \mathcal{T}\}$ is a μ -regularly open super cover of the μ -preopen cover \mathcal{S} of X .

Conversely, since $i_\mu(c_\mu(A))$ is μ -open and $A \subset i_\mu(c_\mu(A)) \subset c_\mu(A)$ for each $A \in \mathcal{T}$, $\{i_\mu(c_\mu(A)) \mid A \in \mathcal{T}\}$ is a finite μ -open super cover of \mathcal{S} . So X is μ -precompact. \square

Theorem 2.12. In a μ -space X , the following statements are equivalent.

1. X is μ -precompact.
2. Each μ -preopen cover \mathcal{A} of X has a finite subcollection \mathcal{B} such that $\{i_\mu(c_\mu(B)) \mid B \in \mathcal{B}\}$ covers X .
3. If \mathcal{E} is a collection of μ -preclosed sets of X such that $\bigcap_{E \in \mathcal{E}} E = \emptyset$, then there exists a finite subcollection \mathcal{F} of \mathcal{E} such that $\bigcap_{F \in \mathcal{F}} i_\mu(c_\mu(F)) = \emptyset$.

Proof: (a) \Rightarrow (b): Follows from Theorem 2.11.

(b) \Rightarrow (c): Let $\mathcal{E} = \{E_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \Delta\}$ be a collection of μ -preclosed sets such that $\bigcap_{\alpha \in \Delta} E_\alpha = \emptyset$. It means that $\{X - E_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \Delta\}$ is a μ -preopen cover of X . By (b), we find a finite subcollection $\{X - E_{\alpha_k} \mid \alpha_k \in \Delta, k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}\}$ of $\{X - E_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \Delta\}$ such that $\{i_\mu(c_\mu(X - E_{\alpha_k})) \mid k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}\}$ covers X . It means that $X - \bigcup_{k=1}^n i_\mu(c_\mu(X - E_{\alpha_k})) = \emptyset$ and hence $\bigcap_{k=1}^n c_\mu(i_\mu(E_{\alpha_k})) = \emptyset$.

(c) \Rightarrow (a): Let X be a μ -space satisfying (c). Suppose $\mathcal{W} = \{W_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}$ is a μ -preopen cover of X . So we find that $\mathcal{E} = \{X - W_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}$ is a collection of μ -preclosed sets such that $\bigcap \{X - W_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A\} = \emptyset$. By (c), we obtain a finite subcollection $\{X - W_{\alpha_k} \mid \alpha_k \in A, k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}\}$ such that $\bigcap_{k=1}^n c_\mu(i_\mu(X - W_{\alpha_k})) = \emptyset$ which in turn implies that $\bigcup_{k=1}^n i_\mu(c_\mu(W_{\alpha_k})) = X$. So $\{W_{\alpha_k} \mid \alpha_k \in A, k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}\}$ is a finite subcollection \mathcal{W} such that $\{i_\mu(c_\mu(W_{\alpha_k})) \mid \alpha_k \in A, k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}\}$ covers X . Then by Theorem 2.11, X is μ -precompact. \square

Definition 2.13. A collection \mathcal{A} of subsets of X is called a μ -proximate cover of X if $c_\mu(\bigcup_{A \in \mathcal{A}} A) = X$.

Theorem 2.14. Each μ -preopen cover of a μ -precompact space X has a finite μ -proximate μ -preopen cover.

Proof: Let $\mathcal{S} = \{A_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \Delta\}$ be a μ -preopen cover of a μ -precompact space X . By μ -precompactness of X , we obtain a finite μ -open super cover $\{G_1, G_2, \dots, G_n\}$ of \mathcal{S} . For each $k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$, there exist an $\alpha_k \in \Delta$ such that $A_{\alpha_k} \subset G_k \subset c_\mu(A_{\alpha_k})$. Since $\{G_1, G_2, \dots, G_n\}$ is a cover of X , we have $X = \bigcup_{k=1}^n c_\mu(A_{\alpha_k}) = c_\mu(\bigcup_{k=1}^n A_{\alpha_k})$. So $\{A_{\alpha_1}, A_{\alpha_2}, \dots, A_{\alpha_n}\}$ is a finite μ -proximate μ -preopen cover of X . \square

Definition 2.15 (Császár [3]). A μ -space X is called μ -extremally disconnected if $c_\mu(G)$ is μ -open for each μ -open set G of X .

Theorem 2.16. A $w\mu$ -compact and μ -extremally disconnected space is a μ -precompact space.

Proof: Let $\mathcal{E} = \{E_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}$ be a μ -preopen cover of a $w\mu$ -compact μ -extremally disconnected μ -space X . For each $\alpha \in A$, there exists a μ -open set G_α such that $E_\alpha \subset G_\alpha \subset c_\mu(E_\alpha) = c_\mu(G_\alpha)$. We see that $\mathcal{G} = \{G_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}$ is a μ -open cover of X . Since X is $w\mu$ -compact, we obtain a finite subcollection $\{G_{\alpha_k} \mid \alpha_k \in A, k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}\}$ such that $\{c_\mu(G_{\alpha_k}) \mid \alpha_k \in A, k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}\}$ covers X . By μ -extremal disconnectedness of X , we see that $\{c_\mu(G_{\alpha_k}) \mid \alpha_k \in A, k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}\}$ is a finite μ -open super cover of \mathcal{E} . \square

Definition 2.17. A μ -semiopen set A in X is said to be covered if $G \subset A \subset c_\mu(G)$ for some μ -open set G , then there exists a μ -open set H such that $G \subset A \subset H \subset c_\mu(G)$.

Lemma 2.18. A covered μ -semiopen set in X is μ -preopen in X .

Proof: Let A be a covered μ -semiopen set and $G \subset A \subset c_\mu(G)$ for some μ -open set. Then $c_\mu(A) = c_\mu(G)$. Also we have another μ -open set H such that $G \subset A \subset H \subset c_\mu(G)$ which implies that $A \subset i_\mu(c_\mu(G)) = i_\mu(c_\mu(A))$. Hence A is μ -preopen. \square

In Example 2.8, $[1, \infty)$ is μ -open and hence it is both μ -semiopen and μ -preopen. But there exist no μ -open set G such that $[1, \infty) \subset G$. So $[1, \infty)$ is not covered μ -semiopen. So we conclude that the converse of Lemma 2.18 may not be true.

Theorem 2.19. *If each μ -semiopen set of a μ -precompact space X is covered, then X is μ -S-closed also.*

Proof: Let \mathcal{S} be a μ -semiopen cover of X . By Lemma 2.18, \mathcal{S} is a μ -preopen cover of X . By Theorem 2.11, \mathcal{S} has a finite subcollection \mathcal{T} such that $\{i_\mu(c_\mu(A)) \mid A \in \mathcal{T}\}$ covers X . For each $A \in \mathcal{T}$, we have $A \subset i_\mu(c_\mu(A)) \subset c_\mu(A)$. So \mathcal{T} is a finite subcollection of \mathcal{S} such that $\{c_\mu(A) \mid A \in \mathcal{T}\}$ covers X and so X is μ -S-closed. \square

A subset A of a μ -space is said to μ -precompact with respect to X if each μ -preopen cover with respect to X of A has a finite μ -open super cover. In view of Theorem 2.11, it can be showed that a subset A of X is μ -precompact with respect to X if each μ -preopen cover \mathcal{S} with respect to X of A has a finite subcollection \mathcal{T} such that $\{i_\mu(c_\mu(G)) \mid G \in \mathcal{T}\}$ covers A .

Theorem 2.20. *If each proper μ -regularly closed set of a μ -space X is μ -precompact with respect to X , then X is μ -precompact.*

Proof: Let $\mathcal{S} = \{A_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \Delta\}$ be a μ -preopen cover of X . Since \mathcal{S} is a cover of X , there exists an $A \in \mathcal{S}$ such that $A \neq \emptyset$. By Lemma 2.9, $i_\mu(c_\mu(A))$ is μ -regularly open in X and so $X - i_\mu(c_\mu(A))$ is μ -regularly closed in X . By the assumption, we get a finite subcollection $\{A_{\alpha_k} \mid \alpha_k \in \Delta, k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}\}$ such that $X - i_\mu(c_\mu(A)) \subset \bigcup_{k=1}^n i_\mu(c_\mu(A_{\alpha_k}))$ and thus $X \subset \bigcup_{k=1}^n i_\mu(c_\mu(A_{\alpha_k})) \cup i_\mu(c_\mu(A))$. Therefore by Theorem 2.11, X is μ -precompact. \square

Recall that a nonempty collection \mathcal{C} of nonempty subsets of a set S is called a filter base [19, p. 78] if $C_1, C_2 \in \mathcal{C}$, then $C_3 \subset C_1 \cap C_2$ for some $C_3 \in \mathcal{C}$. A filter base is called maximal [19, p. 80] if its not properly contained into another filter base. A filter base is always contains in a maximal filter base [19, p. 80].

Definition 2.21. *A filter base \mathcal{F} on a μ -space X is called p_μ -converges to a point $x \in X$ if for each μ -preopen set A of X with $x \in A$, there exists $F \in \mathcal{F}$ such that $F \subset i_\mu(c_\mu(A))$.*

Definition 2.22. *A filter base \mathcal{F} on a μ -space X is called p_μ -accumulates to a point $x \in X$ if for each μ -preopen set A of X with $x \in A$, $F \cap i_\mu(c_\mu(A)) \neq \emptyset$ for each $F \in \mathcal{F}$.*

Lemma 2.23. *If a filter base \mathcal{F} in X p_μ -converges to a point $x \in X$, then the filter base is p_μ -accumulates to x .*

Proof: By p_μ -convergence of \mathcal{F} to $x \in X$, there exists $F \in \mathcal{F}$ such that $F \subset i_\mu(c_\mu(A))$ for each μ -preopen set A with $x \in A$. Let $E \in \mathcal{F}$. Then there exists $D \in \mathcal{F}$ such that $D \subset E \cap F \subset F \subset i_\mu(c_\mu(A))$. So $D \cap i_\mu(c_\mu(A)) \neq \emptyset$. As $D \subset E$, we have $E \cap i_\mu(c_\mu(A)) \neq \emptyset$. So \mathcal{F} p_μ -accumulates to $x \in X$. \square

Lemma 2.24. *Let \mathcal{F} be a maximal filter base in X . Then \mathcal{F} p_μ -converges to $x \in X$ if and only if \mathcal{F} is p_μ -accumulates to $x \in X$.*

Proof: Since \mathcal{F} is a filter base, \mathcal{F} is p_μ -accumulates to $x \in X$ by Lemma 2.23 if \mathcal{F} is p_μ -converges to $x \in X$.

Conversely, let a maximal filter base \mathcal{F} p_μ -accumulate to $x \in X$. If \mathcal{F} does not p_μ -converges to x , then for each $F \in \mathcal{F}$, there exists a μ -preopen set A containing x such that $F \not\subset i_\mu(c_\mu(A))$ i.e. $F \cap c_\mu(i_\mu(X - A)) \neq \emptyset$. We put $\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{F} \cup \{F \cap c_\mu(i_\mu(X - A)) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\}$. Then \mathcal{E} is a filter base properly containing \mathcal{F} , a contradiction to the fact that \mathcal{F} is a maximal filter base. \square

Theorem 2.25. *The following statements are equivalent:*

1. X is μ -precompact.
2. Each filter base p_μ -accumulates to some $x_0 \in X$.
3. Each maximal filter base p_μ -converges in X .

Proof: (a) \Rightarrow (b): Suppose that there exists a filter base $\mathcal{F} = \{F_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}$ in X and \mathcal{F} does not p_μ -accumulates in X . It means that for each $x \in X$, there exists a μ -preopen set A_x containing x and an $F_{\alpha(x)} \in \mathcal{F}$ such that $F_{\alpha(x)} \cap i_\mu(c_\mu(A_x)) = \emptyset$. So $\mathcal{S} = \{A_x \mid x \in X\}$ is a μ -preopen cover of X . By Theorem 2.11, \mathcal{S} has a finite subcollection $A_{x_1}, A_{x_2}, \dots, A_{x_n}$ such that $\{i_\mu(c_\mu(A_{x_k})) \mid k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}\}$ covers X . As \mathcal{F} is a filter base, there exists an $F_0 \in \mathcal{F}$ such that $F_0 \subset \bigcap_{k=1}^n F_{\alpha(x_k)}$. It means that $F_0 \cap i_\mu(c_\mu(A_{x_k})) = \emptyset$ for each $k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$. Now $F_0 = F_0 \cap X = F_0 \cap (\bigcup_{k=1}^n i_\mu(c_\mu(A_{x_k}))) = \bigcup_{k=1}^n (F_0 \cap i_\mu(c_\mu(A_{x_k}))) = \emptyset$, a contradiction to the fact that $F_0 \neq \emptyset$.

(b) \Rightarrow (c): Let \mathcal{F} be a maximal filter base in X . By (ii), \mathcal{F} p_μ -accumulates to some $x_0 \in X$. \mathcal{F} being a maximal filter base in X , \mathcal{F} p_μ -converges to $x_0 \in X$ by Lemma 2.24.

(c) \Rightarrow (a): Let $\mathcal{S} = \{A_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \Delta\}$ be a μ -preopen cover of X . If possible, let X be not μ -precompact. Then for each finite subcollection Δ_0 of Δ , we have $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta_0} i_\mu(c_\mu(A_\alpha)) \neq X$ which implies that $\bigcap_{\alpha \in \Delta_0} c_\mu(i_\mu(X - A_\alpha)) \neq \emptyset$. We put $F_{\Delta_0} = \bigcap_{\alpha \in \Delta_0} c_\mu(i_\mu(X - A_\alpha))$. Let Λ be the collection of all finite subcollection of Δ . We write $\mathcal{F} = \{F_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ (each F_λ bears the meaning as of F_{Δ_0}). We see that \mathcal{F} is a filterbase on X and hence there exists a maximal filter base \mathcal{M} containing \mathcal{F} . By (c), \mathcal{M} p_μ -converges to some point $x_0 \in X$ and so \mathcal{M} p_μ -accumulates to

some point $x_0 \in X$ by Lemma 2.24. As \mathcal{S} is a cover of X , there exists $A_0 \in \mathcal{S}$ such that $x_0 \in A_0$. Then by construction, $c_\mu(i_\mu(X - A_0)) \in \mathcal{M}$. Since \mathcal{M} p_μ -accumulates to x_0 and $x_0 \in A_0$, we see that $M \cap i_\mu(c_\mu(A_0)) \neq \emptyset$ for each $M \in \mathcal{M}$, in particular, $c_\mu(i_\mu(X - A_0)) \cap i_\mu(c_\mu(A_0)) \neq \emptyset$, a contradiction to the fact that $c_\mu(i_\mu(X - A_0)) \cap i_\mu(c_\mu(A_0)) = \emptyset$. \square

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