

α g Maximal Filters and α g Convergence of α g Filters

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Abstract

In this paper we introduce α g maximal filters, study their existence and characterization. Then, we go on to study α g convergence of α g filters, define their α g limit points and α g limit points of a α g filter base. We study their properties in detail. Finally, we define and study α g cluster points of a α g filter.

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1. Introduction

Throughout this paper (X, τ) denotes a topological space on which no separation axiom is assumed. (X, τ) will be simply denoted by $X.N$. Levine [3] introduced the concept of generalized closed sets and discussed the properties of sets. P.Bhattachariya and B.K. Lahiri [1] introduced the class of semi-generalized closed sets. O.Njastad [5] introduced α - open sets in general topology.

Senthilkumaran et al. [6] introduced $\hat{\alpha}$ generalized closed sets and established new type of filters and filter bases [7]. In this paper, we study about $\hat{\alpha}$ g maximal filters and $\hat{\alpha}$ g convergence of $\hat{\alpha}$ g filters.

2. Preliminaries

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

- 1) pre open if $A \subset \text{int cl } A$ and pre closed if $\text{cl int } A \subset A$
- 2) regular open if $A = \text{int cl } A$ and regular closed if $A = \text{cl int } A$
- 3) semi open if $A \subset \text{cl int } A$ and semi closed if $\text{int cl } A \subset A$
- 4) α – open if $A \subset \text{int cl int } A$ and α – closed if $\text{cl int cl } A \subset A$.

Definition 2.2: A subset A of a topological space X is called $\hat{\alpha}$ generalized closed set [6] ($\hat{\alpha}$ g closed), if $\text{int cl int } A \subset U$, whenever $A \subset U$ and U is open in X .

The complement of $\hat{\alpha}$ g closed set in X is $\hat{\alpha}$ g open in X . The intersection of two $\hat{\alpha}$ g open sets need not be $\hat{\alpha}$ g open. In what follows, we assume finite intersection of $\hat{\alpha}$ g open sets is $\hat{\alpha}$ g open.

Definition 2.3[7]: Let X be a topological space A $\hat{\alpha}$ g filter on X is a non empty family \mathbf{F} of $\hat{\alpha}$ g open subsets of X satisfying the following axioms:

- 1: $\phi \notin \mathbf{F}$
- 2: If $F \in \mathbf{F}$ and H is $\hat{\alpha}$ g open such that $H \supset F$, then $H \in \mathbf{F}$
- 3: If $F \in \mathbf{F}$ and $H \in \mathbf{F}$, then $F \cap H \in \mathbf{F}$.

Definition 2.4[7]: Let X be a topological space. A $\hat{\alpha}$ g filter base on X is a non empty family \mathbf{B} of $\hat{\alpha}$ g open subsets of X satisfying the following axioms:

- 1) $\phi \notin \mathbf{B}$
- 2) If $F, H \in \mathbf{B}$, then there exists $G \in \mathbf{B}$ such that $G \subset F \cap H$.

3. $\hat{\alpha}$ g maximal filters

Definition 3.1: A $\hat{\alpha}$ g filter \mathbf{F} on a topological space X is said to be a $\hat{\alpha}$ g maximal filter on X if and only if \mathbf{F} is not properly contained in any other $\hat{\alpha}$ g filter on X .

Remark 3.2: A $\hat{\alpha}$ g maximal filter on X is a maximal element of the collection of all $\hat{\alpha}$ g filters on X partially ordered by the inclusion relation \subset

Definition 3.3: A $\hat{\alpha}$ g filter base on a topological space X is called a $\hat{\alpha}$ g maximal filter base if and only if it is a base of a $\hat{\alpha}$ g maximal filter.

4. Existence of $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filters

Theorem 4.1: Every $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter on a topological space X is contained in a $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filter.

Proof: Let \mathbf{F} be any $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter on X and let \mathbf{M} be the class of all $\hat{\alpha}g$ filters containing \mathbf{F} . Then \mathbf{M} is non empty since $\mathbf{F} \in \mathbf{M}$. Also \mathbf{M} is partially ordered by the inclusion relation \subset . Now, let \mathbf{H} be a linearly ordered subset of \mathbf{M} . Then, by the definition of linear ordering for any two members $\mathbf{F}_1, \mathbf{F}_2$ of \mathbf{H} , we have either $\mathbf{F}_1 \subset \mathbf{F}_2$ or $\mathbf{F}_2 \subset \mathbf{F}_1$.

Let $\mathbf{G} = \{\mathbf{F}_\lambda : \mathbf{F}_\lambda \in \mathbf{H}\}$. We claim that \mathbf{G} is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter on X . \mathbf{G} is evidently non empty. Also, Since \mathbf{F}_λ is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter, we have $\emptyset \notin \mathbf{F}_\lambda$, for every $\mathbf{F}_\lambda \in \mathbf{H}$ and so $\emptyset \notin \mathbf{G}$.

Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbf{G}$ and \mathbf{B} be a $\hat{\alpha}g$ open set such that $\mathbf{B} \supset \mathbf{A}$.

Then $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbf{F}_\lambda$ for some $\mathbf{F}_\lambda \in \mathbf{H}$ and since \mathbf{F}_λ is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter, $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbf{F}_\lambda$. Hence $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbf{G}$. Let $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in \mathbf{G}$. Then $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbf{F}_\lambda$ and $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbf{F}_\mu$, for some $\mathbf{F}_\lambda, \mathbf{F}_\mu \in \mathbf{H}$. Since \mathbf{H} is linearly ordered, we have either $\mathbf{F}_\lambda \subset \mathbf{F}_\mu$ or $\mathbf{F}_\mu \subset \mathbf{F}_\lambda$. Hence both \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} belong to either \mathbf{F}_λ or \mathbf{F}_μ . Hence $\mathbf{A} \cap \mathbf{B} \in \mathbf{G}$. So \mathbf{G} is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter on X . Also \mathbf{G} is finer than every member of \mathbf{H} and hence \mathbf{G} is an upper bound of \mathbf{H} . We have proved that \mathbf{M} is a non empty partially ordered set in which every linearly ordered subset has an upper bound. Hence by Zorn's lemma, \mathbf{M} contains a maximal element say \mathbf{F}' . The maximal element \mathbf{F}' is by definition, a $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filter on X containing \mathbf{F} .

A more general form of the above theorem is the following.

Theorem 4.2: Every $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter base on a topological space X is contained in a $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filter base on X .

Proof: The proof follows from theorem 6.6 [7] and the above theorem
A still more general form is the following.

Theorem 4.3: Let \mathbf{A} be a non empty collection of $\hat{\alpha}g$ open subsets of X such that \mathbf{A} has the FIP. Then there exists a $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filter \mathbf{F} containing \mathbf{A} .

Proof: Let $\mathbf{M} = \{\mathbf{C} : \mathbf{C} \text{ is a collection of } \hat{\alpha}g \text{ open subsets of } X \text{ with the FIP such that } \mathbf{C} \supset \mathbf{A}\}$. Then \mathbf{M} is non empty as $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbf{M}$. Also \mathbf{M} is partially ordered by the inclusion relation \subset . Further every linearly ordered subset of \mathbf{M} has an upper bound. Hence by Zorn's lemma, there exists a maximal element \mathbf{F} of \mathbf{M} . Let us prove that \mathbf{F} is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter on X . As $\mathbf{F} \supset \mathbf{A}$ and \mathbf{A} is non empty, it follows \mathbf{F} is non empty. Further, since \mathbf{F} has the FIP, no member of \mathbf{F} can be empty. Hence $\emptyset \notin \mathbf{F}$. Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbf{F}$ and \mathbf{B} be $\hat{\alpha}g$ open subset of X such that $\mathbf{B} \supset \mathbf{A}$. Since \mathbf{F} has the FIP, it follows $\{\mathbf{B}\} \cup \mathbf{F}$ also has FIP. More over $\{\mathbf{B}\} \cup \mathbf{F} \supset \mathbf{A}$. Hence $\{\mathbf{B}\} \cup \mathbf{F} \in \mathbf{M}$. As \mathbf{F} is

maximal, $B \in \mathbf{F}$. Let $A, B \in \mathbf{F}$. Since \mathbf{F} has FIP, $\{A \cap B\} \cup \mathbf{F}$ also has FIP. Further $\{A \cap B\} \cup \mathbf{F} \supset \mathbf{A}$. Hence $\{A \cap B\} \cup \mathbf{F} \in \mathbf{M}$. Since \mathbf{F} is maximal, $A \cap B \in \mathbf{F}$. This completes the proof.

5. Characterization of $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filters

Theorem 5.1: A $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter \mathbf{F} on a topological space X is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filter if and only if \mathbf{F} contains all those $\hat{\alpha}g$ open subsets of X which intersect every member of \mathbf{F} .

Proof: Let \mathbf{F} be a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter on X satisfying the condition. Let \mathbf{F}' be a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter finer than \mathbf{F} . Let $F' \in \mathbf{F}'$. F' intersects every member of \mathbf{F}' . Since $\mathbf{F} \subset \mathbf{F}'$, F' intersect every member of \mathbf{F} . Hence $F' \in \mathbf{F}$, thereby $\mathbf{F}' \subset \mathbf{F}$. So, \mathbf{F} is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filter on X .

Conversely, let \mathbf{F} be a $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filter on X . Let A be a $\hat{\alpha}g$ open subset of X intersecting every member of \mathbf{F} .

Consider $\mathbf{F}' = \{F' : F' \supset A \cap F \text{ for some } F \in \mathbf{F}\}$. We claim \mathbf{F}' is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter on X containing \mathbf{F} . For $F \in \mathbf{F}$, $F \supset A \cap F$, so $F \in \mathbf{F}'$. Hence $\mathbf{F}' \supset \mathbf{F}$.

As A intersects every member of \mathbf{F} , we have $A \cap F \neq \emptyset$, for every $F \in \mathbf{F}$. For $F' \in \mathbf{F}'$, $F' \supset A \cap F \neq \emptyset$, for some $F \in \mathbf{F}$, we have $F' \neq \emptyset$. Hence $\emptyset \notin \mathbf{F}'$. Let $F' \in \mathbf{F}'$ and G' be a $\hat{\alpha}g$ open subset of X such that $G' \supset F'$. Then $F' \supset A \cap F$ for some $F \in \mathbf{F}$. Hence $G' \supset A \cap F$ and so $G' \in \mathbf{F}'$. Let $F', G' \in \mathbf{F}'$. Then $F' \supset A \cap F$, $G' \supset A \cap G$, for some $F, G \in \mathbf{F}$. So, $F' \cap G' \supset (A \cap F) \cap (A \cap G) = A \cap (F \cap G)$. As $F \cap G \in \mathbf{F}$, $F' \cap G' \in \mathbf{F}'$. Hence \mathbf{F}' is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter containing \mathbf{F} . As \mathbf{F} is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filter, we have $\mathbf{F}' = \mathbf{F}$. $X \in \mathbf{F}$ and $A \cap X = A$, so that $A \supset A \cap X$, it follows $A \in \mathbf{F}' = \mathbf{F}$.

Theorem 5.2: A collection \mathbf{F} of nonempty $\hat{\alpha}g$ open subsets of a topological space X is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filter on X if the following condition are satisfied.

i. \mathbf{F} has the FIP.

ii. for every $\hat{\alpha}g$ open subset A of X , either $A \in \mathbf{F}$ or $X - A \in \mathbf{F}$.

Proof: Let \mathbf{F}' be any $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter on X containing \mathbf{F} (such a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter exists by theorem 5.1 [7]). Let $F' \in \mathbf{F}'$. Then $X - F' \notin \mathbf{F}'$.

Hence $X - F' \notin \mathbf{F}$ so, $F' \in \mathbf{F}$, by (ii). So, $\mathbf{F}' \subset \mathbf{F}$. Therefore $\mathbf{F}' = \mathbf{F}$ and \mathbf{F} is $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filter on X .

Corollary 5.3: A $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter \mathbf{F} on a topological space X is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filter if A or $X - A$ belongs to \mathbf{F} for all $\hat{\alpha}g$ open subset A of X .

Theorem 5.4: A $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter \mathbf{F} on a topological space X is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filter if and only if for any two $\hat{\alpha}g$ open subsets A, B of X such that $A \cup B \in \mathbf{F}$, we have either $A \in \mathbf{F}$ or $B \in \mathbf{F}$.

Proof: Let \mathbf{F} be a $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filter on X and let $A \cup B \in \mathbf{F}$. If possible, let $A \notin \mathbf{F}$ and $B \notin \mathbf{F}$. Then either A or B is non empty. Assume that $B \neq \emptyset$. Consider $\mathbf{G} = \{G : G \cup A \in \mathbf{F}\}$. As $B \in \mathbf{G}$, \mathbf{G} is non empty. Let us prove \mathbf{G} is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter on X strictly finer than \mathbf{F} . Since $\emptyset \cup A = A \notin \mathbf{F}$, $\emptyset \notin \mathbf{G}$. Let $G \in \mathbf{G}$ and H be a $\hat{\alpha}g$ open subset of X such that $H \supset G$. Then $G \cup A \in \mathbf{F}$ and since \mathbf{F} is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter, $H \cup A \supset G \cup A$ implies $H \cup A \in \mathbf{F}$. This shows $H \in \mathbf{G}$. Let $G, H \in \mathbf{G}$. Then $G \cup A \in \mathbf{F}$ and $H \cup A \in \mathbf{F}$. $(G \cup A) \cap (H \cup A) = (G \cap H) \cup A \in \mathbf{F}$. Hence $G \cap H \in \mathbf{G}$. Thus \mathbf{G} is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter. Let us prove $\mathbf{G} \supset \mathbf{F}$. Let $F \in \mathbf{F}$. As $F \cup A \supset F$, $F \cup A \in \mathbf{F}$, there by $F \in \mathbf{G}$. Hence $\mathbf{F} \subset \mathbf{G}$. since $B \in \mathbf{G}$ and $B \notin \mathbf{F}$, we have \mathbf{F} is a proper subset of \mathbf{G} . This contradicts \mathbf{F} is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filter. This completes one half of the theorem.

Conversely, let the given condition hold. Let A be any $\hat{\alpha}g$ open subset of X . As \mathbf{F} is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter, $X \in \mathbf{F}$. But $X = (X-A) \cup A$. Hence either $A \in \mathbf{F}$ or $X-A \in \mathbf{F}$. Hence by the preceding corollary, \mathbf{F} is a maximal filter on X .

Corollary 5.5: If \mathbf{F} is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filter on a topological space X , then for every $\hat{\alpha}g$ open subset A of X , we have either $A \in \mathbf{F}$ or $X-A \in \mathbf{F}$.

Corollary 5.6: If \mathbf{F} is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filter on a topological space X , and A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n are $\hat{\alpha}g$ open subsets of X then $A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 \cup \dots \cup A_n \in \mathbf{F}$ implies at least one $A_i \in \mathbf{F}$.

Corollary 5.7: If \mathbf{F} is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filter on a topological space X and A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n are $\hat{\alpha}g$ open subsets of X such that they cover X , than at least one $A_i \in \mathbf{F}$.
The corollary 5.3 and corollary 5.5 can be combined to give the following theorem.

Theorem 5.8: A $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter on a topological space X is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filter if and only if A or $X - A$ belongs to \mathbf{F} for all $\hat{\alpha}g$ open subsets A of X .

Theorem 5.9: Every $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter on a topological space X is the intersection of all the $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filters finer than \mathbf{F} .

Proof: Let $\mathbf{H} = \bigcap \{ \mathbf{G} : \mathbf{G} \text{ is a } \hat{\alpha}g \text{ maximal filter containing } \mathbf{F} \}$

Let us prove $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{F}$. As $\mathbf{F} \subset \mathbf{G}$, for every \mathbf{G} , $\mathbf{F} \subset \mathbf{H}$.

Conversely, let $A \in \mathbf{H}$. Then $A \in \mathbf{G}$, for every \mathbf{G} . If possible, let $A \notin \mathbf{F}$. Then A contains no member of \mathbf{F} . Hence every $F \in \mathbf{F}$ intersects $X - A$. Then by, theorem 5.5[7], there exists a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter \mathbf{F}' finer than \mathbf{F} and containing $X-A$. Again by theorem 4.1 there exists $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filter, say \mathbf{G}_0 finer than \mathbf{F}' . Now $X-A \in \mathbf{F}'$ implies $A \notin \mathbf{F}'$ and since $\mathbf{G}_0 \supset \mathbf{F}'$. we have $A \notin \mathbf{G}_0$. This contradicts $A \in \mathbf{G}$, for every \mathbf{G} . Hence $A \in \mathbf{F}$. This completes the proof.

Theorem 5.10: Let A be a αg open subset of a topological space X which has a non empty intersection with every member of a αg maximal filter \mathbf{F} , then A must belong to \mathbf{F} .

Proof: Let $\mathbf{A} = \{A\} \cup \mathbf{F}$. Evidently, the intersection of any finite number of members of \mathbf{A} is non empty.

Hence \mathbf{A} generates a αg filter \mathbf{G} containing all the sets in \mathbf{A} and so, in particular A . As \mathbf{F} is a αg maximal filter, we have $\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{G}$ Hence $A \in \mathbf{F}$.

Theorem 5.11: The collection $\mathbf{F}(p)$ of all αg open subsets of a topological space X , which contains a given element $p \in X$ is a αg maximal filter on X .

Proof: $\mathbf{F}(p) = \{F: F \text{ is } \alpha g \text{ open and } p \in F\}$. Let A be any αg closed subset of X . Then $p \in A$ or $p \in X-A$. Hence either $A \in \mathbf{F}(p)$ or $X-A \in \mathbf{F}(p)$. Clearly $\mathbf{F}(p)$ has the FIP. Hence by theorem 5.2 $\mathbf{F}(p)$ is a αg maximal filter on X .

Corollary 5.12: In a discrete topological space, every αg open neighborhood filter is a αg maximal filter.

Proof: In a discrete space X , the αg open neighborhood filter of a point $x \in X$ is the collection of all subsets of X which contain x . Hence by the preceding theorem, every αg open neighborhood of X is a αg maximal filter. It is clear that no other αg filter can be maximal filter.

Theorem 5.13: Let \mathbf{F} be a αg maximal filter on a topological space X , in which every singleton is αg closed. Then $\bigcap \{F: F \in \mathbf{F}\}$ is either empty or singleton subset of X .

Proof: Let $G = \bigcap \{F: F \in \mathbf{F}\}$ and let $G \neq \emptyset$. Then, there exist at least one $x \in G$. If possible, let there be another different element $y \in G$. Since \mathbf{F} is a αg maximal filter, either $\{x\} \in \mathbf{F}$ or $X - \{x\} \in \mathbf{F}$. If $\{x\} \in \mathbf{F}$, then, as $y \neq x$, $y \notin \{x\}$ and hence $y \notin G$, which is a contradiction. Similarly, if $X - \{x\} \in \mathbf{F}$, then $x \notin G$, which is again a contradiction. Hence $G = \{x\}$. This completes the proof.

6. αg Convergence of αg filters

Definition 6.1: Let \mathbf{F} be a αg filter on a topological space X and let A be a αg open subset of X . Then \mathbf{F} is said to be αg eventually in A if and only if $A \in \mathbf{F}$.

Definition 6.2: A αg filter on a topological space X is said to be αg frequently in a αg open subset A of X if and only if A intersects every member of \mathbf{F} .

Remark 6.3: \mathbf{F} is $\hat{\alpha}g$ frequently in A if \mathbf{F} is $\hat{\alpha}g$ eventually in A .

The converse of the above remark need not be true as can be seen in the following example.

Example 6.4: Let $X = \{a,b,c\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a,b\}, X\}$,
 $\hat{\alpha}g$ open sets = $\{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a,b\}, \{a,c\}, X\}$. Let $\mathbf{F} = \{\{b,c\}, X\}$, $A = \{b\}$
 \mathbf{F} is $\hat{\alpha}g$ frequently in A but not $\hat{\alpha}g$ eventually in A .

Theorem 6.5: A $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter \mathbf{F} on a topological space X , is $\hat{\alpha}g$ frequently on a $\hat{\alpha}g$ open subset A of X if and only if there exists a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter finer than \mathbf{F} and containing A .

Proof: Let \mathbf{F} be frequently on A . Let $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{F} \cup \{A\}$. \mathbf{G} satisfies FIP. Hence by theorem 5.1 [7], there exists a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter \mathbf{F}' containing \mathbf{G} . \mathbf{F}' is finer than \mathbf{F} .
 Conversely let there exist a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter \mathbf{F}' finer than \mathbf{F} and containing A . Since $A \in \mathbf{F}'$, $A \cap F \neq \phi$,
 for every $F \in \mathbf{F}$.

Definition 6.6: Let (X, τ) be a topological space and \mathbf{F} be a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter on X . Then \mathbf{F} is said to be τ - $\hat{\alpha}g$ converge or simply $\hat{\alpha}g$ converge to a point $x \in X$ if and only if \mathbf{F} is $\hat{\alpha}g$ eventually in each $\hat{\alpha}g$ open neighbourhood of x , that is, if and only if every $\hat{\alpha}g$ open neighbourhood of x is a member of \mathbf{F} and we say that x is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ limit point (or simply a $\hat{\alpha}g$ limit) of \mathbf{F} and we write $\mathbf{F} \rightarrow x$.

7. $\hat{\alpha}g$ limit points of a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter base

Definition 7.1: A $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter base \mathbf{B} on a topological space X is said to be $\hat{\alpha}g$ converge to a point $x \in X$ if and only if the $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter whose base is \mathbf{B} (that is, the $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter generated by \mathbf{B}) $\hat{\alpha}g$ converges to x and we say that x is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ limit point of \mathbf{B} . The set of all $\hat{\alpha}g$ limit points of a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter shall be denoted by $\hat{\alpha}g$ limit (\mathbf{F}). Similarly $\hat{\alpha}g$ lim (\mathbf{B}) will denote the set of all $\hat{\alpha}g$ limit points of a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter base \mathbf{B} .

Theorem 7.2: Let X be a topological space and let \mathbf{F} be a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter on X . Then the following statements are equivalent.

- (a) \mathbf{F} , $\hat{\alpha}g$ converges to a point $x \in X$.
- (b) Each $\hat{\alpha}g$ open neighborhood of x belongs to \mathbf{F} .
- (c) \mathbf{F} is finer than the $\hat{\alpha}g$ open neighborhood filter $\mathbf{N}(x)$ on X .
- (d) for every $\hat{\alpha}g$ open neighborhood N of x , there exists $F \in \mathbf{F}$ such that $F \subset N$.

Proof:

- (a) \Leftrightarrow (b) follows from definition 6.1 and 7.1.
- (b) \Leftrightarrow (c) is an immediate consequence of definition 4.1 [7].
- (b) \Leftrightarrow (d) follows from $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter definition.

Remark 7.3: The $\hat{\alpha}g$ open neighborhood filter $\mathbf{N}(x)$ of a point x in a topological space X , $\hat{\alpha}g$ converges to x .

Theorem 7.4: In a discrete topological space X , the only $\hat{\alpha}g$ convergent filters are the $\hat{\alpha}g$ open neighborhood filters

Proof: By Corollary 5.12 that the $\hat{\alpha}g$ open neighborhood filters are the only $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filters on X and so they are the only $\hat{\alpha}g$ convergent filters.

Remarks 7.5: If a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter \mathbf{F} on a topological space X $\hat{\alpha}g$ converges to a point $x \in X$, then every $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter \mathbf{F}' finer than \mathbf{F} also $\hat{\alpha}g$ converges to x .

Theorem 7.6: Let \mathbf{M} be the collection of all those $\hat{\alpha}g$ filters on a topological space X which $\hat{\alpha}g$ converge to the same point $x \in X$. Then the intersection \mathbf{F} of all the $\hat{\alpha}g$ filters in \mathbf{M} also $\hat{\alpha}g$ converges to x . Also $\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{N}(x)$.

Proof: \mathbf{F} is actually a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter on X by theorem 4.3 [7]. Since all the $\hat{\alpha}g$ filters in \mathbf{M} $\hat{\alpha}g$ converge to x , the $\hat{\alpha}g$ neighborhood filter $\mathbf{N}(x)$ is coarser than each $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter in \mathbf{M} and consequently coarser than \mathbf{F} . Since $\mathbf{N}(x)$ $\hat{\alpha}g$ converges to x , \mathbf{F} also $\hat{\alpha}g$ converges to x . Let us prove $\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{N}(x)$. We have shown that $\mathbf{N}(x) \subset \mathbf{F}$. $\mathbf{N}(x)$, $\hat{\alpha}g$ converges to x . Hence $\mathbf{N}(x)$ is a member of \mathbf{M} . So $\mathbf{F} \subset \mathbf{N}(x)$.

Theorem 7.7: A $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter \mathbf{F} on a topological space X $\hat{\alpha}g$ converges to a point $x \in X$ if and only if every $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filter containing \mathbf{F} , $\hat{\alpha}g$ converges to x .

Proof: If \mathbf{F} , $\hat{\alpha}g$ converges to x , then every $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filter containing \mathbf{F} also $\hat{\alpha}g$ converges to x by remark 8.5.

Conversely, let every $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filter containing \mathbf{F} , $\hat{\alpha}g$ converges to x . By theorem 5.9, \mathbf{F} is the intersection of all $\hat{\alpha}g$ maximal filters on X finer than \mathbf{F} . So, \mathbf{F} , $\hat{\alpha}g$ converge to x by the above theorem.

Theorem 7.8: Let X be a topological space and \mathbf{B} be a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter base on X . Then \mathbf{B} , $\hat{\alpha}g$ converges to a point $x \in X$ if and only if every member of the $\hat{\alpha}g$ open local base $\mathbf{B}^*(x)$ at x contains a member of \mathbf{B} .

Proof: Let \mathbf{B} , $\hat{\alpha}g$ converge to x . Then the $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter \mathbf{F} generated by \mathbf{B} also $\hat{\alpha}g$ converges to x . Also by definition 6.9[7], every member of \mathbf{F} contains a member of \mathbf{B} . Since \mathbf{F} , $\hat{\alpha}g$ converges to x , every member of $\mathbf{B}^*(x)$ belongs to \mathbf{F} and so, every member of $\mathbf{B}^*(x)$ must contain a member of \mathbf{B} .

Conversely, let every member of $\mathbf{B}^*(x)$ contain a member of \mathbf{B} and let \mathbf{F} be the $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter generated by \mathbf{B} . Then by definition 6.9[7], \mathbf{F} consists of all those $\hat{\alpha}g$ open subsets of X , which contain a member of \mathbf{B} . Hence, every member of $\mathbf{B}^*(x)$ belongs to \mathbf{F} , by the definition of $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter. Let N be any $\hat{\alpha}g$ open neighbourhood of x . Then by the definition of $\hat{\alpha}g$ open local base, there exist $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbf{B}^*(x)$ such that $\mathbf{B} \subset N$. Hence $N \in \mathbf{F}$. So \mathbf{F} , $\hat{\alpha}g$ converges to x . This completes the proof.

Corollary 7.9: $\mathbf{B}, \hat{\alpha}g$ converges to x if and only if every $\hat{\alpha}g$ open neighborhood of x contains a member of \mathbf{B} .

Proof: Let $\mathbf{B}, \hat{\alpha}g$ converge to x and let N be any $\hat{\alpha}g$ open neighborhood of x . Then, there exists $B \in \mathbf{B}^*(x)$ such that $B \subset N$. Hence by the above theorem, N must contain a member of \mathbf{B} .

Conversely, let every $\hat{\alpha}g$ open neighborhood of x contain a member of \mathbf{B} . Then every member of $\mathbf{B}^*(x)$ must contain a member of \mathbf{B} . Hence by the above theorem, $\mathbf{B}, \hat{\alpha}g$ converges to x .

Theorem 7.10: Let X be a topological space and A be a subspace of X . Then a point $x \in X$ belongs to $\hat{\alpha}g \text{ cl } A$ if and only if there exists a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter base on A $\hat{\alpha}g$ converging to x .

Proof: Let \mathbf{B} be a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter base on A which $\hat{\alpha}g$ converges to x . Then by the preceding corollary, for each $\hat{\alpha}g$ open neighbourhood of x , there exists $B \in \mathbf{B}$ such that $B \subset N$. As B is non empty $\hat{\alpha}g$ open subset of A , N contains at least one point of A . Hence $x \in \hat{\alpha}g \text{ cl } A$.

Conversely, let $x \in \hat{\alpha}g \text{ cl } A$. Then every member of $\hat{\alpha}g$ open neighbourhood filter $\mathbf{N}(x)$ must intersect A . Consider the collection.

$\mathbf{B} = \{A \cap N : N \in \mathbf{N}(x)\}$. $A \cap N \neq \emptyset$, for every $N \in \mathbf{N}(x)$. Let $A \cap N, A \cap M \in \mathbf{B}$. $(A \cap N) \cap (A \cap M) = A \cap (N \cap M) \in \mathbf{B}$.

Hence \mathbf{B} is a filter base on A . The $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter generated by \mathbf{B} is evidently the $\hat{\alpha}g$ open neighbourhood filter $\mathbf{N}(x)$. As $\mathbf{N}(x), \hat{\alpha}g$ converges to x , the result follows.

Theorem 7.11: Let X be a topological space and A be a subspace of X . If A is $\hat{\alpha}g$ open, then A belongs to every $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter which $\hat{\alpha}g$ converges to a point of A .

Proof: Let A be $\hat{\alpha}g$ open and let \mathbf{F} be a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter which $\hat{\alpha}g$ converges to a point $x \in A$ (There exists one such $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter, namely, $\hat{\alpha}g$ open neighbourhood filter of x). Then \mathbf{F} contains every $\hat{\alpha}g$ open neighbourhood of x , by theorem 8.2(b). As A is $\hat{\alpha}g$ open, it is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ open neighbourhood of x . Hence $A \in \mathbf{F}$.

Theorem 7.12: If a topological space X is $\hat{\alpha}g$ Hausdorff, then every $\hat{\alpha}g$ convergent filter has a unique limit.

Proof: Let X be $\hat{\alpha}g$ Hausdorff and let \mathbf{F} be a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter on $X, \hat{\alpha}g$ converging to two distinct point x and y . Then $\mathbf{F} \supset \mathbf{N}(x)$ and $\mathbf{F} \supset \mathbf{N}(y)$. As X is $\hat{\alpha}g$ Hausdorff, there exist $\hat{\alpha}g$ open neighbourhoods N and M of x and y respectively, such that $M \in \mathbf{F}$ and $N \in \mathbf{F}$ and $N \cap M = \emptyset$, a contradiction. This completes the proof.

The converse of the above theorem need not be true can be seen from the following example.

Example 7.13: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$.

$\hat{\alpha}g$ open sets of $X = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$. The $\hat{\alpha}g$ filters are

$\mathbf{F}_1 = \{\{b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$, $\mathbf{F}_2 = \{\{a, b\}, X\}$, $\mathbf{F}_3 = \{\{b, c\}, X\}$, $\mathbf{F}_4 = \{X\}$

Evidently $\mathbf{F}_1, \hat{\alpha}g$ converges to c and no other point can be a $\hat{\alpha}g$ limit point of \mathbf{F}_1

Evidently $\mathbf{F}_2, \hat{\alpha}g$ converges to a and no other point can be a $\hat{\alpha}g$ limit point of \mathbf{F}_2

Evidently $\mathbf{F}_3, \hat{\alpha}g$ converges to c and no other point can be a $\hat{\alpha}g$ limit point of \mathbf{F}_3

$\mathbf{F}_1, \mathbf{F}_2, \mathbf{F}_3$ have unique $\hat{\alpha}g$ limits. But the space X is not $\hat{\alpha}g$ Hausdorff.

8. $\hat{\alpha}g$ cluster points of a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter

Definition 8.1: Let X be a topological space and let \mathbf{F} be a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter on X . Then a point $x \in X$ is said to be a $\hat{\alpha}g$ cluster point or $\hat{\alpha}g$ adherent point of \mathbf{F} if and only if $F \cap N \neq \emptyset$ for every $F \in \mathbf{F}$ and every $\hat{\alpha}g$ open neighbourhood N of x .

Definition 8.2 : A point x in a topological space X is said to be a $\hat{\alpha}g$ cluster point or $\hat{\alpha}g$ adherent point of a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter base \mathbf{B} if and only if $B \cap N \neq \emptyset$ for every $B \in \mathbf{B}$ and every $\hat{\alpha}g$ open neighbourhood N of x .

The set of all $\hat{\alpha}g$ adherent points of \mathbf{F} is called the $\hat{\alpha}g$ adherence of \mathbf{F} and is denoted by $\hat{\alpha}gadh(\mathbf{F})$.

Theorem 8.3: If x is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ cluster point of a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter base \mathbf{B} and \mathbf{B}' is any other $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter base equivalent to \mathbf{B} , then x is also a $\hat{\alpha}g$ cluster point of \mathbf{B}' .

Proof: x is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ cluster point of $\mathbf{B} \Rightarrow B \cap N \neq \emptyset$, for every $B \in \mathbf{B} \& N \in \mathbf{N}(x)$

Let $B' \in \mathbf{B}'$. There exists $B \in \mathbf{B}$ such that $B' \supset B$. Hence $B' \cap N \neq \emptyset$. So, x is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ cluster point of \mathbf{B}' .

Theorem 8.4: Let X be a topological space and let \mathbf{F} be a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter on X . Then the following statements are equivalent.

(a) $x \in X$ is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ cluster point of \mathbf{F} .

(b) Every $\hat{\alpha}g$ open neighbourhood of x intersects every member of \mathbf{F} .

(c) $x \in \hat{\alpha}g \text{ cl } F$ for all $F \in \mathbf{F}$.

(d) $\mathbf{N}(x) \cup \mathbf{F}$ has the FIP

(e) There exists a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter finer than both $\mathbf{N}(x)$ and \mathbf{F} .

(f) There exists a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter than \mathbf{F} and $\hat{\alpha}g$ converging to x .

Proof:

(a) \Leftrightarrow (b) follows from definition

(b) \Leftrightarrow (c) follows from the properties of $\hat{\alpha}g \text{ cl } F$

(b) \Leftrightarrow (d) obvious

(d) \Leftrightarrow (e) By theorem 5.1[7]

(e) \Leftrightarrow (f) Let \mathbf{G} be the $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter which is finer than both \mathbf{F} and $\mathbf{N}(x)$. Then $\mathbf{G}, \hat{\alpha}g$ converges to x , since it contains $\mathbf{N}(x)$.

Conversely, let **G** be a αg filter which is finer than **F** and αg converges to x. Then **G** is finer than **N(x)**.

The above theorem remains true if we replace the word αg filter by the word αg filter base.

Theorem 8.5: If x is a αg limit point of a αg filter **F** on a topological space X, then x is also a αg cluster point of **F**.

Proof: x is a αg limit point of **F** implies every αg open neighbourhood of x belongs to **F**. This implies every αg open neighbourhood of x intersects every member of **F**.

The converse of the above theorem need not be true can be seen from the following example.

Example 8.6: Refer example 7.13.

b is a αg cluster point of **F₁**, but b is not a αg limit point of **F₁**, as the αg open neighbourhood {a,b} ∉ **F₁**.

Theorem 8.7: Let X be a topological space and let **B** be a αg filter base on X. Then a point $x \in X$ is a αg cluster point if and only if every member of the αg open local base **B^{*}(x)** at x intersects every member of **B**.

Proof: x is a αg cluster point of **B** ⇔ every αg open neighbourhood of x intersects every member of **B** ⇔ every member of **B^{*}(x)** intersects every member of **B**.

Theorem 8.8: Let **F** be a maximal filter on a topological space X and let $x \in X$. Then **F**, αg converges to x if and only if x is a αg cluster point of **F**.

Proof: Let **F**, αg converge to x. Then every αg open neighbourhood of x belongs to **F** and so every αg open neighbourhood of x intersects **F**.
Conversely, let x be a αg cluster point of **F**. By theorem 9.4(f), there exists a αg filter **F'** finer than **F** and αg converging to x. As **F** is a αg maximal filter, **F' = F**.

Theorem 8.9: Let **B** be a αg filter base on a topological space X. Then $\alpha gadh(\mathbf{B}) = \{ \alpha gcl B : B \in \mathbf{B} \}$.

Proof: $x \in \alpha gadh(\mathbf{B}) \Leftrightarrow x$ is a αg cluster point of **B** ⇔ each αg open neighbourhood of x intersects each member of **B** ⇔ $x \in cl \alpha g B$, for every $B \in \mathbf{B} \Leftrightarrow \alpha gadh(\mathbf{B}) = \{ \alpha gcl B : B \in \mathbf{B} \}$

Corollary 8.10: If \mathbf{F} is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter on X , then $\hat{\alpha}gadh(\mathbf{F}) = \{\hat{\alpha}gcl F : F \in \mathbf{F}\}$

Theorem 8.11: Let x be a $\hat{\alpha}g$ cluster point of a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter \mathbf{F} on a topological space X and \mathbf{F}' be a $\hat{\alpha}g$ filter on X coarser than \mathbf{F} . Then x is also a $\hat{\alpha}g$ cluster point of \mathbf{F}' .

Proof: x is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ cluster point of $\mathbf{F} \Rightarrow x \in \hat{\alpha}g cl F$, for every $F \in \mathbf{F} \Rightarrow x \in \hat{\alpha}gcl G$, for every $G \in \mathbf{F}'$, as $\mathbf{F}' \subset \mathbf{F} \Rightarrow x$ is a cluster point of \mathbf{F}' .

The converse of the above theorem need not be true can be seen from the following example.

Example 8.12: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$
 $\hat{\alpha}g$ open sets = $\{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$. $\mathbf{F}_1 = \{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$
 $\mathbf{F}_2 = \{\{a, b\}, X\}$ $\mathbf{F}_2 \subset \mathbf{F}_1$. b is a $\hat{\alpha}g$ cluster point of \mathbf{F}_2 but not a $\hat{\alpha}g$ cluster of \mathbf{F}_1 , as $\{b\} \cap \{a\} = \phi$.

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