

MORE ON NANO PRE-NEIGHBOURHOODS IN NANO TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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Abstract

The basic objective of this paper is to introduce and investigate the properties of nano pre-neighbourhoods, nano pre-interior, nano pre-limit point, nano pre-derived set, nano pre-frontier, nano pre-regular in nano topological spaces and obtain some of its basic results.

1. Introduction

The notion of nano topology was introduced by Lellis Thivagar[1] which was defined in terms of approximations and boundary region of a subset of an universe using an equivalence relation on it and also defined nano-closed sets, nano-interior and nano-closure of a set. He also introduced weak form of nano-open sets namely nano α -open sets, NS -open sets and NP -open sets. In this paper we defined nano pre-neighbourhood, nano pre-interior, nano pre-limit point, nano pre-derived set, nano pre-frontier, nano pre-regular and obtained some of its basic results.

2. Preliminaries

Definition 2.1. [1] Let U be the universe, R be an equivalence relation on U and $\tau_R(X) = \{U, \phi, L_R(X), U_R(X), B_R(X)\}$, where $X \subseteq U$. Then $\tau_R(X)$ satisfies the following axioms:

- U and $\phi \in \tau_R(X)$.
- The union of the elements of any subcollection of $\tau_R(X)$ is in $\tau_R(X)$.
- The intersection of the elements of any finite subcollection of $\tau_R(X)$ is in $\tau_R(X)$.

Then $\tau_R(X)$ is a topology on U called the nano topology on U with respect to X . We call $(U, \tau_R(X))$ is a nano topological space. The elements of $\tau_R(X)$ are called as nano-open sets. The complement of the nano-open sets are called nano-closed sets.

Definition 2.2. [1] Let $(U, \tau_R(X))$ be a nano topological space and $A \subseteq U$. Then A is said to be

- nano semi-open if $A \subseteq Ncl(Nint(A))$.
- nano pre-open if $A \subseteq Nint(Ncl(A))$.
- nano α -open if $A \subseteq Nint(Ncl(Nint(A)))$.
- nano semi pre-open if $A \subseteq Ncl(Nint(Ncl(A)))$.
- Nr -open if $A = Nint(Ncl(A))$.

$NSO(U, X)$, $NPO(U, X)$, $\tau^{\alpha}_R(X)$, $NSPO(U, X)$ and $NRO(U, X)$ respectively denote the families of all nano semi-open, nano pre-open, nano α -open, nano semi pre-open and nano regular-open subsets of U . Let $(U, \tau_R(X))$ be a nano topological space and $A \subseteq U$, A is said to be nano semi-closed, nano pre-closed, nano α -closed, nano semi pre-closed and nano regular-closed if its complement is respectively nano semi-open, nano pre-open, nano α -open, nano semi pre-open and nano regular-open.

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Remark 2.3. [2] If τ_R is the nano topology on U with respect to X , then the set $B = \{U, L_R(X), B_R(X)\}$ is the basis for τ_R .

Definition 2.4. [1] If (U, τ_R) is a nano topological space with respect to X where $X \subseteq U$ and if $A \subseteq U$, then

- (1) The nano-interior of A is defined as the union of all nano-open subsets of A and is denoted by $Nint(A)$. That is, $Nint(A)$ is the largest nano-open subset of A .
- (2) The nano-closure of A is defined as the intersection of all nano-closed sets containing A and is denoted by $Ncl(A)$. That is, $Ncl(A)$ is the smallest nano-closed set containing A .

Definition 2.5. [1] Let $(U, \tau_R(X))$ be a nano topological space and $A \subseteq U$. Then A is said to be nano pre-open if $A \subseteq Nint(Ncl(A))$. It is denoted by $NPO(U)$. The complement of nano pre-open set is called nano pre-closed and it is denoted by $NPF(U)$.

3. Nano Pre-Neighbourhoods

Definition 3.1. A subset $M_x \subset U$ is called a nano pre-neighbourhood of a point $x \in U$ iff there exists a $A \in NPO(U)$ such that $x \in A \subset M_x$ and a point x is called nano pre-neighbourhood point of the set A .

Definition 3.2. The family of all nano pre-neighbourhoods of the point $x \in U$ is called nano pre-neighbourhood of U .

Example 3.3. Let $U = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $U/R = \{\{a, c\}, \{b\}, \{d\}\}$, $X = \{b, c\}$ and $\tau_R(X) = \{U, \phi, \{b\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, c\}\}$. $NPO(U) = \{U, \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{d\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}\}$.

Then $NP - nbd(a) = \{U, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}\}$

$NP - nbd(b) = \{U, \phi, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}\}$

$NP - nbd(c) = \{U, \phi, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, c, d\}\}$

$NP - nbd(d) = \{U, \phi, \{d\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}\}$

Lemma 3.4. Let $\{B_i | i \in I\}$ be a collection of nano pre-open sets in a nano topological space U , then $\cup B_i \in NPO(U)$.

Definition 3.5. The union of all nano pre-open sets which are contained in A is called the nano pre-interior of A and is denoted by $Npint(A)$ or by NA_* . As the union of nano pre-open sets is nano pre-open, NA_* is nano pre-open.

Definition 3.6. The intersection of nano pre-closed sets containing a set A is called the nano pre-closure of A and is denoted by $Npcl(A)$ or by NA^* .

Lemma 3.7. Let A and B be subsets of a space U . Then the following hold for the nano pre-closure operator.

- (1) $A = NA^*$.
- (2) $NA^* \subset NB^*$ if $A \subset B$.
- (3) $(A^*)^* = A^*$.
- (4) A^* is pre-closed set in X .

Lemma 3.8. For every subset $W \subset U$, we have the following.

- (1) $(U - W)^* = U - W_*$.
- (2) $(U - W)_* = U - W^*$.

Corollary 3.9. Intersection of two nano pre-closed sets is nano pre-closed.

Proof Let $A, B \in NPF(U)$. Then we have, $Ncl[Nint(A \cap B)] = Ncl[Nint(A) \cap Nint(B)] \subset Ncl(Nint(A)) \cap Ncl(Nint(B)) \subset A \cap B$. Thus, $A \cap B$ in $NPF(U)$.

Theorem 3.10. A subset of a space U is nano pre-open iff it is a nano pre-neighbourhood of each of its points.

Proof: Let $G \subset U$ be a nano pre-open set. Then by definition it is clear that G is a nano pre-neighbourhood of each of its points, since for every $x \in G$, $x \in G \subset G$ and G is nano pre-open.

Conversely, suppose G is a nano pre-neighbourhood of each of its points. Then for each $x \in G$, there exists $S_x \in NPO(x)$ such that $S_x \subset G$. Then, $G = \bigcup_{x \in G} S_x$.

Since each S_x is nano pre-open it follows that G is nano pre-open by Lemma-3.4.

Lemma 3.11. Let A be a set in a space U . A point $x \in U$ is in the nano pre-interior of A iff there is a $G \in NPO(x)$ such that $G \subset A$.

Proof: Suppose $x \in NA_*$. By definition of NA_* there exists $G \in NPO(x)$ such that $x \in G$ and $G \subset A$. Hence there is $G \in NPO(x)$, such that $G \subset A$. Conversely, suppose $G \in NPO(x)$, such that $G \subset A$. Then $x \in G \subset NA_*$. Hence $x \in A_*$.

Now, we define the following.

Definition 3.12. A point $x \in U$ is called a nano pre-interior point of $A \subset U$ if $x \in NA_*$.

In view of this definition and Lemma 3.11, one can prove the following.

Lemma 3.13. Let U be a space and $A \subset X$, and $x \in X$. Then x is a nano pre-interior point of A iff A is a nano pre-neighbourhood of x .

Note 3.14. Since every nano open set is nano pre-open, every nano-interior point of a set $A \subset U$ is a nano pre-interior point of A . Thus, $Nint(A) \subset NA_*$. In general, $Nint(A) \neq NA_*$, which is shown by the following.

Example 3.15. Consider the set $U = \{a,b,c\}$ equipped with the nano topology $\tau_R(X) = \{\phi, \{b\}, U\}$. Then we obtain $NPO(X) = \{\phi, \{b\}, \{a,b\}, \{b,c\}, U\}$. Now, if we take $A = \{a,b\}$ then $Nint(A) = \{b\}$ and $NA_* = \{a,b\}$. This shows that $Nint(A) \neq NA_*$.

Theorem 3.16. *Let U be a space and $A \subset U$. Then NA_* is the largest nano pre-open subset of U contained in A .*

Proof: To prove NA_* is the largest nano pre-open set contained in A . In other words, to show that NA_* contains any other nano pre-open set which is contained in A . Now, assume that U is any nano pre-open set with $U \subset A$. Let $x \in U$. Then by definition $x \in U \subset A$. Therefore A is a nano pre-neighbourhood of $x \in U$. This shows that x is a nano pre-interior point of A . Then $x \in NA_*$ by Lemma 3.13 as $x \in U$ implies $x \in NA_*$. Thus $U \subset NA_*$ and NA_* is nano pre-open. Therefore NA_* contains every nano pre-open set X contained in A and hence NA_* is the largest nano pre-open set contained in A .

Theorem 3.17. *A is nano pre-open iff $A = NA_*$.*

Proof: Suppose $A = NA_*$. As NA_* is nano pre-open set, by hypothesis, A is nano pre-open. Next suppose that A is nano pre-open. Then A is a nano pre-open set contained in A . But NA_* is the largest nano pre-open set contained in A by Theorem 3.10. Therefore, $A \subset NA_*$. But $NA_* \subset A$ always. Hence $A = NA_*$.

Lemma 3.18. *If $A \subset B$ then $NA_* \subset NB_*$.*

Easy Proof is omitted.

Note 3.19. *$NA_* = NB_*$ does not imply that $A = B$. This is shown by the following.*

Example 3.20. Let $X = \{a,b,c\}$ and $\tau_R(X) = \{U, \phi, \{a\}, \{b,c\}\}$. Then it can be readily verified that $\tau_R(X)$ is a nano topology on U and, $NPO(U) = \tau_R(X)$. Take, $A = \{a\}$ and $B = \{a,b\}$. Then, we obtain, $NA_* = \{a\} = NB_*$. But $A \neq B$.

Lemma 3.21. *Let A and B be subsets of U . Then,*

$$(1) NA_* \cup NB_* \subset N(A \cup B)_*$$

$$(2) N(A \cap B)_* \subset NA_* \cap NB_*$$

Proof follows by Lemma 3.18

In general, $N(A \cap B)_* \neq NA_* \cap NB_*$ as shown by the following.

Example 3.22. Let $U = \{a,b,c\}$ and $\tau_R(X) = \{U, \phi, \{a,b,c\}\}$. Then it can be verified that $\tau_R(X)$ is a nano topology on U and, $NPO(U) = \{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a,b\}, \{a,c\}, \{b,c\}, U, \phi\}$. Take, $A = \{a\}$ and $B = \{a,c\}$, then $A \cap B = \{a\}$. Then, we have, $NA_* = \{a\}$, $NB_* = \{a,c\}$ and $N(A \cap B)_* = \phi$. Thus, it follows that $NA_* \cap NB_* = \{a\} \neq \phi = N(A \cap B)_*$.

Next, we define the nano pre-limit point of a subset of space U in the following.

Definition 3.23. A point $x \in U$ is said to be a nano pre-limit point of A iff for each $X \in \text{NPO}(X)$, $X \cap (A - \{x\}) \neq \emptyset$.

Remark 3.24. Since every nano-open set is nano pre-open, it follows that every nano pre-limit point of A is a nano-limit point of A .

Definition 3.25. The set of all nano pre-limit points of A is said to be the nano pre-derived set of A and is denoted by $\text{NPD}(A)$.

Note 3.26. By Remark 3.18 it follows that $\text{NPD}(A) \subset \text{ND}(A)$, where $\text{ND}(A)$ is the nano-derived set of A .

But in general, converse does not hold.

Example 3.27. Let $U = \{a,b,c,d\}$ with the topology $\tau_r(X) = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{d\}, X\}$. Then, $\text{NPO}(X) = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{d\}, \{b,d\}, \{b,c,d\}, X\}$. For $A = \{a,c,d\}$, $\text{ND}(A) = \{a,c\}$ and $\text{NPD}(A) = \{c\}$. Hence $\text{ND}(A) \not\subset \text{NPD}(A)$.

Lemma 3.28. A is nano pre-closed set iff it contains the set of its nano pre-limit points.

Proof: By definition, $U - A$ is nano pre-open set since A is nano pre-closed. Thus, A is nano pre-closed iff each point of $(U - A)$ has a nano pre-neighbourhood contained in $(U - A)$ iff no point of $(U - A)$ is nano pre-limit point of A , or equivalently that A contains each of its nano pre-limit points.

Lemma 3.29. Let A and B be subsets of a space U and $A \subset B$. Then, $A \subset B$ implies $\text{NPD}(A) \subset \text{NPD}(B)$.

Proof: Let $x \in U$ be a nano pre-limit point of A . Then by definition, there exists $U \in \text{NPO}(U)$ such that $U \cap (A - \{x\}) \neq \emptyset$ and, hence it follows that $X \cap (B - \{x\}) \neq \emptyset$, i.e., x is a nano pre-limit point of B . Thus, the nano pre-derived set of A is a subset of the nano pre-derived set of B .

In general, the converse does not hold in the above Lemma. This is shown by the following.

Example 3.30. Consider the space $\{U, \tau_r(X)\}$ as defined in the Example 3.20. Let $A = \{a,c\}$ and $B = \{b,c\}$. Then, we obtain $\text{NPD}(A) = \{b\} = \text{NPD}(B)$. But $A \neq B$.

Theorem 3.31. Let A and B be subsets of a space U . Then we have the following properties.

- (1) $\text{NPD}(\emptyset) \neq \emptyset$.
- (2) $x \in \text{NPD}(A)$ implies $x \in \text{NPD}(A - \{x\})$.
- (3) $\text{NPD}(A) \cup \text{NPD}(B) \subset \text{NPD}(A \cup B)$.
- (4) $\text{NPD}(A \cap B) \subset \text{NPD}(A) \cap \text{NPD}(B)$.

Proof:

- (1) It is obvious.

- (2) Let $x \in \text{NPD}(A)$. Then x is a nano pre-limit point of A . That is, every nano pre-neighbourhood of x contains at least one point of A other than x . It means that every nano pre-neighbourhood of x contains at least one point other than x of $A - \{x\}$. Hence x is a nano pre-limit point of $A - \{x\}$ and therefore $x \in \text{NPD}(A - \{x\})$.
- (3) and (4) follow by Lemma - 3.29.

Lemma 3.32. *Let U be a space and A be subset of U . Then $A \cup \text{NPD}(A)$ is a nano pre-closed set.*

Proof: Let $x \notin \text{UNPD}(A)$. This implies $x \notin A$ and $x \notin \text{NPD}(A)$. Since $x \notin \text{NPD}(A)$, there exists a nano pre-open neighbourhood N_x of x which contains no point of A other than x . But $x \notin A$. So N_x contains no point of A , which implies $N_x \subset U - A$. Again, N_x is a nano pre-open neighbourhood of each of its points. But as N_x does not contain any point of A , no point of N_x can be a nano pre-limit point of A . Therefore no point of N_x can belong to $\text{NPD}(A)$. This implies that $N_x \subset X - \text{NPD}(A)$. Hence, it follows that $x \in N_x \subset (X - (A \cup \text{NPD}(A)))$.

Therefore, $A \cup \text{NPD}(A)$ is nano pre-closed.

Remark 3.33. Comparing the results of Lemma-3.32 and Lemma-3.7(i), one can easily write that, $A \cup \text{NPD}(A)$ is nano pre-closed iff $NA^* = A \cup \text{NPD}(A)$. It is obvious that $NA^* \subset \text{Ncl}(A)$.

The converse may be false as shown by the following.

Example 3.34. Let $U = \{a,b,c,d\}$ and $\tau_R(X) = \{\{c\}, \{a,d\}, \{a,c,d\}\}$. Then it can be easily verified that $\tau_R(X)$ is a nano topology on U and $\text{NPO}(U) = \{U, \phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{a,c\}, \{a,d\}, \{b,d\}, \{a,b,c\}, \{a,c,d\}, \{b,c,d\}\}$. Take, $A = \{b,d\}$. Then we have $\text{Ncl}(A) = \{a,b,d\}$ and $NA^* = \{b,d\}$ which shows that $\text{Ncl}(A) \not\subset NA^*$.

Note 3.35. If $NA^* = NB^*$. Then it does not imply $A = B$.

This is shown by the following.

Example 3.36. Let $U = \{a,b,c,d\}$ and $\tau_R(X) = \{c, \{a,d\}, \{a,c,d\}\}$ be a nano topology on U . Then we obtain $\text{NPO}(U) = \{U, \phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{a,c\}, \{a,d\}, \{b,d\}, \{a,b,c\}, \{a,c,d\}, \{b,c,d\}\}$. Then $\text{NPF}(U) = \{\{b\}, \{b,c\}, \{a,b,d\}, U, \phi\}$. Take $A = \{c\}$ and $B = \{b,c\}$. Then $NA^* = \{b,c\} = NB^*$.

Hence, It follows that $A \neq B$ even though $NA^* = NB^*$.

Theorem 3.37. $NA^* = A - \text{NPD}(U - A)$.

Proof: Let $x \in A - \text{NPD}(U - A)$. Then $x \in A$ and $x \notin \text{NPD}(U - A)$. Since $x \notin \text{NPD}(U - A)$, there exists $U \in \text{N-PO}(x)$ with $U \cap (U - A) = \phi$. Hence, $x \in X \subset A$, which Implies $x \in NA^*$. Conversely, let $x \in NA^*$. Then $x \notin \text{NPD}(U - A)$, for NA^* is nano pre-open neighbourhood of x and, $NA^* \cap (U - A) = \phi$. Also, $NA^* \subset A$. This shows that $x \in A$. Hence $NA^* = A - \text{NPD}(U - A)$.

Remark 3.38. Using Lemma 3.8, one can write that $NA^* = U - (U - A)^*$

Theorem 3.39. For subsets $A, B \subset U$. The following hold.

- (1) $NA^* \cup NB^* \subset (NA \cup NB)^*$.
- (2) $(NA \cap NB)^* \subset NA^* \cap NB^*$.

Proof:

- (1) Since $A \subset A \cup B$ and $B \subset A \cup B$. Then by Lemma 2.8(ii), we obtain that $NA^* \subset (NA \cup NB)^*$ and $NB^* \subset (NA \cup NB)^*$. It follows that $NA^* \cup NB^* \subset (NA \cup NB)^*$.
- (2) $(NA \cap NB)^* \subset NA^*$ and $(A \cap B)^* \subset NB^*$. Hence It follows that $(A \cap B)^* \subset NA^* \cap NB^*$.

In general, the equality does not hold in the above Theorem. This can be shown by the following.

Example 3.40. Let $U = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $\tau_R(X) = \{\{c\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, U, \phi\}$. Take $A = \{c\}$ and $B = \{d\}$ then $A \cup B = \{c, d\}$. Then $NA^* = \{b, c\}$, $NB^* = \{d\}$ and $(A \cup B)^* = \{b, c, d\}$. It follows that $NA^* \cup NB^* = (A \cup B)^*$.

Example 3.41. Let $U = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $\tau_R(X) = \{\{c\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, U, \phi\}$. Take, $A = \{a\}$ and $B = \{c, d\}$ then $A \cap B = \phi$. Then $NA^* = \{b\}$ and $NB^* = \{b, c, d\}$ and $(A \cap B)^* = \{b\}$. Thus $NA^* \cap NB^* = (NA \cap NB)^*$.

Next we define nano pre-frontier of subset of a space.

Definition 3.42. $NA^* - NA_*$ is said to be the nano pre-frontier of $A \subset U$ and is denoted by $NPfr(A)$. It is obvious that $NPfr(A) \subset Nfr(A)$, the nano-frontier of A .

But in general the converse may not be true.

Example 3.43. Let $U = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $\tau_R(X) = \{\{c\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, U, \phi\}$. If $A = \{a, b, d\}$. Then, $Nint(A) = \{a, d\}$, $Ncl(A) = \{a, b, d\}$, $NA^* = \{a, b, d\}$ and $NA_* = \{b, d\}$. This shows that $Nfr(A) \not\subset NPfr(A)$.

Lemma 3.44. For a subset A of a space U ,

- (1) $NA^* = NA_* \cup NPfr(A)$
- (2) $NA_* \cap NPfr(A) = \phi$ and (3) $NPfr(A) = NA^* \cap (U - A)^*$.

Proof: By definition of $NPfr(A)$, we have

- (1) $NA_* \cup NPfr(A) = NA_* \cup (NA^* - NA_*) = NA^*$.
- (2) $NA_* \cap NPfr(A) = NA_* \cap (NA^* - NA_*) = \phi$.
- (3) $NPfr(A) = NA^* - NA_* = NA^* \cap (U - NA_*) = NA^* \cap (U - NA)^*$ by Lemma-3.8(i).

Lemma 3.45. $NPfr(A)$ is pre-closed.

Proof: By Lemma 3.44, $NPfr(A) = NA^* \cap (U - NA)^*$, which is nano pre-closed by Corollary 3.9.

Now, we define the following.

Definition 3.46. A subset $A \subset U$ is called nano pre-regular if it is both nano pre-open and nano pre-closed set. The family of all nano pre-regular sets of U is denoted by $NPR(U)$. The complement of a nano pre-regular set is also a nano pre-regular.

Next, we prove the following.

Theorem 3.47. $NPfr(A) = \phi$ iff $A \in NPR(U)$.

Proof: Let $A \in NPR(U)$. Then $A \in NPO(U)$ and $A \in NPF(U)$. Now, using results of Lemma 3.7 and Theorem 3.17 it follows that $NPfr(A) = \phi$. Conversely, let $NPfr(A) = \phi$. Then we show that $A \in NPR(U)$. Since by hypothesis, $NA^* - NA_* = \phi$. We have $NA^* = NA_*$. But, $NA_* \subset A \subset NA^*$. Therefore, it follows that $A = NA_* = NA^*$ which means $A \in NPR(U)$.

Theorem 3.48. Let A be subset of U . Then, the following hold.

- (1) $NPfr(A) = NPfr(U - A)$.
- (2) $A \in NPO(U)$ iff $NPfr(A) \subset U - A$. i.e., $A \cap NPfr(A) = \phi$.
- (3) $A \in NPF(U)$ iff $NPfr(A) \subset A$.

Proof:

- (1) We have, $NPfr(U - A) = (U - NA)^* \cap (U - (U - NA))^* = (U - NA)^* \cap NA^* = NPfr(A)$ by Lemma 3.44(iii).
- (2) Assume $A \in NPO(U)$. By definition, we have $NPfr(A) = NA^* - NA_* = NA^* - A$. Since $A \in NPO(U)$. Then, $A \cap NPfr(A) = A \cap (NA^* - A) = NA^* \cap (X - A) \cap A = \phi$. Conversely, if $A \cap NPfr(A) = \phi$. Then, $A \cap NA^* \cap (U - NA_*) = \phi$ implies $A \cap (U - NA_*) = \phi$ as $A \subset NA^*$. Thus, $A \subset U - (U - NA_*) = NA_*$, but on the other hand $NA_* \subset A$. It follows that $A = NA_*$, which implies $A \in NPO(U)$.
- (3) Assume $A \in NPF(U)$. Then, we have $U - A \in NPO(U)$. Then by (ii), $NPfr(U - A) \cap (U - A) = \phi$. But, by (i), $NPfr(U - A) = NPfr(A)$. Hence $NPfr(A) \cap (U - A) = \phi$. This shows that $NPfr(A) \subset A$. Conversely, if $NPfr(A) \subset A$, then $NA^* - NA_* \subset A$, which implies $NA_* \cup (NA^* - NA_*) \subset A \cup NA_* = A$, which implies $NA^* \subset A$ by 3.44(i) But $A \subset NA^*$. It follows that $A = NA^*$. Hence $A \in NPF(U)$.

Note 3.49. Let A and B be subsets of space U . Then $A \subset B$ does not imply that either $NPfr(A) \subset NPfr(B)$ or $NPfr(B) \subset NPfr(A)$.

This can be verified by the following.

Example 3.50. Let $U = \{a,b,c,d\}$ and $\tau_R(X) = \{\{c\}, \{a,d\}, \{a,c,d\}, U, \phi\}$. Then, case(1) : Take $A = \{d\}$ and $B = \{a,c,d\}$. Then $A \subset B$. Also $NA^* = \{d\}$, $NA_* = \{d\}$ and $NPfr(A) = \{\phi\}$. $NB^* = \{U\}$, $NB_* = \{a,c,d\}$ and $pfr(B) = \{b\}$. This shows that $NPfr(A) \not\subset NPfr(B)$.

Case-(2): If $A = \{d\}$ and $B = \{c,d\}$ then $A \subset B$. We obtain that $NPfr(A) = \{\phi\}$ and $NPfr(B) = \{d\}$. Thus, $NPfr(B) \not\subset NPfr(A)$.

Theorem 3.51. If $A \in NPO(U) \cup NPF(U)$, then $NPfr(A) = NPfr(NPfr(A))$. Proof follows by Lemma 3.44(iii), Lemma 3.45 and Lemma 3.48(ii)(iii).

Corollary 3.52. For every $A \subset U$, $NPfr(NPfr(NPfr(A))) = NPfr(NPfr(A))$.

Proof is obvious.

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