

## ORDER-INDUCED TOPOLOGICAL PROPERTIES

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Each topology  $\mathcal{T}$  on a set  $X$  may be associated with a preorder relation  $R_{\mathcal{T}}$  on  $X$  defined by  $\langle a, b \rangle \in R_{\mathcal{T}}$  iff every open set containing  $b$  contains  $a$ . Although the correspondence is many-to-one, there is always a least topology,  $\mu(R)$ , and a greatest topology,  $\nu(R)$ , having a given preorder  $R$ . This leads to a natural correspondence between order properties and some topological properties and to the concept of an order-induced topological property. We show that a number of familiar topological properties (mostly lower separation axioms) are order-induced and also consider some new properties suggested by order properties. Let  $T_p$  be an order-induced topological property with associated order property  $K_p$ . We characterize minimal and maximal  $T_p$  as follows: A topological space  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is maximal  $T_p$  iff  $\mathcal{T} = \nu(R_{\mathcal{T}})$  and  $R_{\mathcal{T}}$  is minimal  $K_p$ . With the imposition of a further condition on the class  $K_p$  (satisfied by most properties under discussion),  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is minimal  $T_p$  iff  $\mathcal{T} = \mu(R_{\mathcal{T}})$  and  $R_{\mathcal{T}}$  is maximal  $K_p$ . We apply these general theorems to a number of order-induced properties and conclude with an example to show that, for two particular properties,  $\mathcal{T}$  may be minimal  $T_p$  even though  $R_{\mathcal{T}}$  is not maximal  $K_p$ .

**1. Introduction.** Correspondences between topologies and preorders on  $X$  similar to that assigning  $R_{\mathcal{T}}$  to  $\mathcal{T}$  have been described by several mathematicians. Ore in 1943 [14] associated with each closure operator on a fixed set  $X$  a preorder relation which, for the topological closure operators, is exactly the same as  $R_{\mathcal{T}}$ . Others have restricted their attention to the "principal" or "discrete" spaces in which arbitrary intersections of open sets are open. Linfield in his thesis [11] of 1925 studied principal topologies whose preorders were equivalence relations [see 7], and in 1935 both Alexandroff [1] and Tucker [20] described a one-to-one correspondence between  $T_0$  principal topologies and partial orders. Destouches in 1937 drew on the work of Linfield and Alexandroff to study principal spaces in general [6], and Steiner in 1966 showed that the lattice of principal topologies is anti-isomorphic to the lattice of preorder relations on  $X$  [16]. Alexandroff, Tucker, and Steiner all assigned the relation  $R_{\mathcal{T}}^{-1}$  to  $\mathcal{T}$ , and Lorrain (1969) used both  $R_{\mathcal{T}}^{-1}$  and  $R_{\mathcal{T}}$  to define functors from the category of principal spaces to the category of preordered sets [13].

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