

# On Nowhere and Everywhere Dense Subspaces of Topological Spaces

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**Summary.** Let  $X$  be a topological space and let  $X_0$  be a subspace of  $X$  with the carrier  $A$ .  $X_0$  is called *boundary (dense)* in  $X$  if  $A$  is boundary (dense), i.e.,  $\text{Int } A = \emptyset$  ( $\overline{A}$  = the carrier of  $X$ );  $X_0$  is called *nowhere dense (everywhere dense)* in  $X$  if  $A$  is nowhere dense (everywhere dense), i.e.,  $\text{Int } \overline{A} = \emptyset$  ( $\overline{\text{Int } A}$  = the carrier of  $X$ ) (see [5] and comp. [8]).

Our purpose is to list, using Mizar formalism, a number of properties of such subspaces, mostly in non-discrete (non-almost-discrete) spaces (comp. [5]). Recall that  $X$  is called *discrete* if every subset of  $X$  is open (closed);  $X$  is called *almost discrete* if every open subset of  $X$  is closed; equivalently, if every closed subset of  $X$  is open (see [1], [4] and comp. [8],[7]). We have the following characterization of non-discrete spaces:  $X$  is non-discrete iff there exists a boundary subspace in  $X$ . Hence,  $X$  is non-discrete iff there exists a dense proper subspace in  $X$ . We have the following analogous characterization of non-almost-discrete spaces:  $X$  is non-almost-discrete iff there exists a nowhere dense subspace in  $X$ . Hence,  $X$  is non-almost-discrete iff there exists an everywhere dense proper subspace in  $X$ .

Note that some interdependencies between boundary, dense, nowhere and everywhere dense subspaces are also indicated. These have the form of observations in the text and they correspond to the existential and to the conditional clusters in the Mizar System. These clusters guarantee the existence and ensure the extension of types supported automatically by the Mizar System.

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The terminology and notation used in this paper have been introduced in the following articles: [11], [9], [12], [10], [6], [3], [1], [5], and [2].

## 1. SOME PROPERTIES OF SUBSETS OF A TOPOLOGICAL SPACE

In the sequel  $X$  denotes a topological space and  $A, B$  denote subsets of  $X$ . The following propositions are true:

- (1) If  $A$  and  $B$  constitute a decomposition, then  $A$  is non empty iff  $B$  is proper.
- (2) If  $A$  and  $B$  constitute a decomposition, then  $A$  is dense iff  $B$  is boundary.
- (3) If  $A$  and  $B$  constitute a decomposition, then  $A$  is boundary iff  $B$  is dense.
- (4) If  $A$  and  $B$  constitute a decomposition, then  $A$  is everywhere dense iff  $B$  is nowhere dense.
- (5) If  $A$  and  $B$  constitute a decomposition, then  $A$  is nowhere dense iff  $B$  is everywhere dense.

In the sequel  $Y_1, Y_2$  will be subspaces of  $X$ .

Next we state three propositions:

- (6) If  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  constitute a decomposition, then  $Y_1$  is proper and  $Y_2$  is proper.
- (7) Let  $X$  be a non trivial topological space and let  $D$  be a non empty proper subset of  $X$ . Then there exists a proper strict subspace  $Y_0$  of  $X$  such that  $D =$  the carrier of  $Y_0$ .
- (8) Let  $X$  be a non trivial topological space and let  $Y_1$  be a proper subspace of  $X$ . Then there exists a proper strict subspace  $Y_2$  of  $X$  such that  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  constitute a decomposition.

## 2. DENSE AND EVERYWHERE DENSE SUBSPACES

Let  $X$  be a topological space. A subspace of  $X$  is dense if:

(Def.1) For every subset  $A$  of  $X$  such that  $A =$  the carrier of it holds  $A$  is dense.

The following proposition is true

- (9) Let  $X_0$  be a subspace of  $X$  and let  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ . If  $A =$  the carrier of  $X_0$ , then  $X_0$  is dense iff  $A$  is dense.

Let  $X$  be a topological space. One can check the following observations:

- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is dense and closed is also non proper,
- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is dense and proper is also non closed, and
- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is proper and closed is also non dense.

Let  $X$  be a topological space. Note that there exists a subspace of  $X$  which is dense and strict.

We now state several propositions:

- (10) Let  $A_0$  be a non empty subset of  $X$ . Suppose  $A_0$  is dense. Then there exists a dense strict subspace  $X_0$  of  $X$  such that  $A_0 =$  the carrier of  $X_0$ .

- (11) Let  $X_0$  be a dense subspace of  $X$ , and let  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ , and let  $B$  be a subset of  $X_0$ . If  $A = B$ , then  $B$  is dense iff  $A$  is dense.
- (12) For every dense subspace  $X_1$  of  $X$  and for every subspace  $X_2$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  is a subspace of  $X_2$  holds  $X_2$  is dense.
- (13) Let  $X_1$  be a dense subspace of  $X$  and let  $X_2$  be a subspace of  $X$ . If  $X_1$  is a subspace of  $X_2$ , then  $X_1$  is a dense subspace of  $X_2$ .
- (14) For every dense subspace  $X_1$  of  $X$  holds every dense subspace of  $X_1$  is a dense subspace of  $X$ .
- (15) Let  $Y_1, Y_2$  be topological spaces. Suppose  $Y_2 =$  the topological structure of  $Y_1$ . Then  $Y_1$  is a dense subspace of  $X$  if and only if  $Y_2$  is a dense subspace of  $X$ .

Let  $X$  be a topological space. A subspace of  $X$  is everywhere dense if:

- (Def.2) For every subset  $A$  of  $X$  such that  $A =$  the carrier of it holds  $A$  is everywhere dense.

Next we state the proposition

- (16) Let  $X_0$  be a subspace of  $X$  and let  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ . Suppose  $A =$  the carrier of  $X_0$ . Then  $X_0$  is everywhere dense if and only if  $A$  is everywhere dense.

Let  $X$  be a topological space. One can check the following observations:

- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is everywhere dense is also dense,
- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is non dense is also non everywhere dense,
- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is non proper is also everywhere dense, and
- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is non everywhere dense is also proper.

Let  $X$  be a topological space. Observe that there exists a subspace of  $X$  which is everywhere dense and strict.

We now state several propositions:

- (17) Let  $A_0$  be a non empty subset of  $X$ . Suppose  $A_0$  is everywhere dense. Then there exists an everywhere dense strict subspace  $X_0$  of  $X$  such that  $A_0 =$  the carrier of  $X_0$ .
- (18) Let  $X_0$  be an everywhere dense subspace of  $X$ , and let  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ , and let  $B$  be a subset of  $X_0$ . Suppose  $A = B$ . Then  $B$  is everywhere dense if and only if  $A$  is everywhere dense.
- (19) Let  $X_1$  be an everywhere dense subspace of  $X$  and let  $X_2$  be a subspace of  $X$ . If  $X_1$  is a subspace of  $X_2$ , then  $X_2$  is everywhere dense.
- (20) Let  $X_1$  be an everywhere dense subspace of  $X$  and let  $X_2$  be a subspace of  $X$ . Suppose  $X_1$  is a subspace of  $X_2$ . Then  $X_1$  is an everywhere dense subspace of  $X_2$ .
- (21) For every everywhere dense subspace  $X_1$  of  $X$  holds every everywhere dense subspace of  $X_1$  is an everywhere dense subspace of  $X$ .
- (22) Let  $Y_1, Y_2$  be topological spaces. Suppose  $Y_2 =$  the topological structure of  $Y_1$ . Then  $Y_1$  is an everywhere dense subspace of  $X$  if and only if  $Y_2$  is an everywhere dense subspace of  $X$ .

Let  $X$  be a topological space. One can check the following observations:

- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is dense and open is also everywhere dense,
- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is dense and non everywhere dense is also non open, and
- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is open and non everywhere dense is also non dense.

Let  $X$  be a topological space. Note that there exists a subspace of  $X$  which is dense open and strict.

We now state two propositions:

- (23) Let  $A_0$  be a non empty subset of  $X$ . Suppose  $A_0$  is dense and open. Then there exists a dense open strict subspace  $X_0$  of  $X$  such that  $A_0 =$  the carrier of  $X_0$ .
- (24) For every subspace  $X_0$  of  $X$  holds  $X_0$  is everywhere dense iff there exists dense open strict subspace of  $X$  which is a subspace of  $X_0$ .

In the sequel  $X_1, X_2$  denote subspaces of  $X$ .

One can prove the following four propositions:

- (25) If  $X_1$  is dense or  $X_2$  is dense, then  $X_1 \cup X_2$  is a dense subspace of  $X$ .
- (26) If  $X_1$  is everywhere dense or  $X_2$  is everywhere dense, then  $X_1 \cup X_2$  is an everywhere dense subspace of  $X$ .
- (27) If  $X_1$  is everywhere dense and  $X_2$  is everywhere dense, then  $X_1 \cap X_2$  is an everywhere dense subspace of  $X$ .
- (28) Suppose  $X_1$  is everywhere dense and  $X_2$  is dense or  $X_1$  is dense and  $X_2$  is everywhere dense. Then  $X_1 \cap X_2$  is a dense subspace of  $X$ .

### 3. BOUNDARY AND NOWHERE DENSE SUBSPACES

Let  $X$  be a topological space. A subspace of  $X$  is boundary if:

- (Def.3) For every subset  $A$  of  $X$  such that  $A =$  the carrier of it holds  $A$  is boundary.

We now state the proposition

- (29) Let  $X_0$  be a subspace of  $X$  and let  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ . Suppose  $A =$  the carrier of  $X_0$ . Then  $X_0$  is boundary if and only if  $A$  is boundary.

Let  $X$  be a topological space. One can verify the following observations:

- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is open is also non boundary,
- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is boundary is also non open,
- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is everywhere dense is also non boundary,
- and
- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is boundary is also non everywhere dense.

Next we state several propositions:

- (30) Let  $A_0$  be a non empty subset of  $X$ . Suppose  $A_0$  is boundary. Then there exists a strict subspace  $X_0$  of  $X$  such that  $X_0$  is boundary and  $A_0 =$  the carrier of  $X_0$ .
- (31) Let  $X_1, X_2$  be subspaces of  $X$ . Suppose  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  constitute a decomposition. Then  $X_1$  is dense if and only if  $X_2$  is boundary.
- (32) Let  $X_1, X_2$  be subspaces of  $X$ . Suppose  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  constitute a decomposition. Then  $X_1$  is boundary if and only if  $X_2$  is dense.
- (33) Let  $X_0$  be a subspace of  $X$ . Suppose  $X_0$  is boundary. Let  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ . If  $A \subseteq$  the carrier of  $X_0$ , then  $A$  is boundary.
- (34) For all subspaces  $X_1, X_2$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  is boundary holds if  $X_2$  is a subspace of  $X_1$ , then  $X_2$  is boundary.

Let  $X$  be a topological space. A subspace of  $X$  is nowhere dense if:

(Def.4) For every subset  $A$  of  $X$  such that  $A =$  the carrier of it holds  $A$  is nowhere dense.

We now state the proposition

- (35) Let  $X_0$  be a subspace of  $X$  and let  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ . Suppose  $A =$  the carrier of  $X_0$ . Then  $X_0$  is nowhere dense if and only if  $A$  is nowhere dense.

Let  $X$  be a topological space. One can verify the following observations:

- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is nowhere dense is also boundary,
- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is non boundary is also non nowhere dense,
- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is nowhere dense is also non dense, and
- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is dense is also non nowhere dense.

In the sequel  $X$  will denote a topological space.

One can prove the following propositions:

- (36) Let  $A_0$  be a non empty subset of  $X$ . Suppose  $A_0$  is nowhere dense. Then there exists a strict subspace  $X_0$  of  $X$  such that  $X_0$  is nowhere dense and  $A_0 =$  the carrier of  $X_0$ .
- (37) Let  $X_1, X_2$  be subspaces of  $X$ . Suppose  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  constitute a decomposition. Then  $X_1$  is everywhere dense if and only if  $X_2$  is nowhere dense.
- (38) Let  $X_1, X_2$  be subspaces of  $X$ . Suppose  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  constitute a decomposition. Then  $X_1$  is nowhere dense if and only if  $X_2$  is everywhere dense.
- (39) Let  $X_0$  be a subspace of  $X$ . Suppose  $X_0$  is nowhere dense. Let  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ . If  $A \subseteq$  the carrier of  $X_0$ , then  $A$  is nowhere dense.
- (40) Let  $X_1, X_2$  be subspaces of  $X$ . Suppose  $X_1$  is nowhere dense. If  $X_2$  is a subspace of  $X_1$ , then  $X_2$  is nowhere dense.

Let  $X$  be a topological space. One can verify the following observations:

- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is boundary and closed is also nowhere dense,
- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is boundary and non nowhere dense is also non closed, and

- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is closed and non nowhere dense is also non boundary.

The following propositions are true:

- (41) Let  $A_0$  be a non empty subset of  $X$ . Suppose  $A_0$  is boundary and closed. Then there exists a closed strict subspace  $X_0$  of  $X$  such that  $X_0$  is boundary and  $A_0 =$  the carrier of  $X_0$ .
- (42) Let  $X_0$  be a subspace of  $X$ . Then  $X_0$  is nowhere dense if and only if there exists a closed strict subspace  $X_1$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  is boundary and  $X_0$  is a subspace of  $X_1$ .

In the sequel  $X_1, X_2$  will be subspaces of  $X$ .

One can prove the following propositions:

- (43) If  $X_1$  is boundary or  $X_2$  is boundary and if  $X_1$  meets  $X_2$ , then  $X_1 \cap X_2$  is boundary.
- (44) If  $X_1$  is nowhere dense and  $X_2$  is nowhere dense, then  $X_1 \cup X_2$  is nowhere dense.
- (45) If  $X_1$  is nowhere dense and  $X_2$  is boundary or  $X_1$  is boundary and  $X_2$  is nowhere dense, then  $X_1 \cup X_2$  is boundary.
- (46) If  $X_1$  is nowhere dense or  $X_2$  is nowhere dense and if  $X_1$  meets  $X_2$ , then  $X_1 \cap X_2$  is nowhere dense.

#### 4. DENSE AND BOUNDARY SUBSPACES OF NON-DISCRETE SPACES

Next we state two propositions:

- (47) For every topological space  $X$  such that every subspace of  $X$  is non boundary holds  $X$  is discrete.
- (48) For every non trivial topological space  $X$  such that every proper subspace of  $X$  is non dense holds  $X$  is discrete.

Let  $X$  be a discrete topological space. One can check the following observations:

- \* every subspace of  $X$  is non boundary,
- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is proper is also non dense, and
- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is dense is also non proper.

Let  $X$  be a discrete topological space. Observe that there exists a subspace of  $X$  which is non boundary and strict.

Let  $X$  be a discrete non trivial topological space. Note that there exists a subspace of  $X$  which is non dense and strict.

One can prove the following two propositions:

- (49) For every topological space  $X$  such that there exists subspace of  $X$  which is boundary holds  $X$  is non discrete.
- (50) For every topological space  $X$  such that there exists subspace of  $X$  which is dense and proper holds  $X$  is non discrete.

Let  $X$  be a non discrete topological space. One can check that there exists a subspace of  $X$  which is boundary and strict and there exists a subspace of  $X$  which is dense proper and strict.

In the sequel  $X$  will be a non discrete topological space.

We now state several propositions:

- (51) Let  $A_0$  be a non empty subset of  $X$ . Suppose  $A_0$  is boundary. Then there exists a boundary strict subspace  $X_0$  of  $X$  such that  $A_0 =$  the carrier of  $X_0$ .
- (52) Let  $A_0$  be a non empty proper subset of  $X$ . Suppose  $A_0$  is dense. Then there exists a dense proper strict subspace  $X_0$  of  $X$  such that  $A_0 =$  the carrier of  $X_0$ .
- (53) Let  $X_1$  be a boundary subspace of  $X$ . Then there exists a dense proper strict subspace  $X_2$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  constitute a decomposition.
- (54) Let  $X_1$  be a dense proper subspace of  $X$ . Then there exists a boundary strict subspace  $X_2$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  constitute a decomposition.
- (55) Let  $Y_1, Y_2$  be topological spaces. Suppose  $Y_2 =$  the topological structure of  $Y_1$ . Then  $Y_1$  is a boundary subspace of  $X$  if and only if  $Y_2$  is a boundary subspace of  $X$ .

## 5. EVERYWHERE AND NOWHERE DENSE SUBSPACES OF NON-ALMOST-DISCRETE SPACES

Next we state two propositions:

- (56) For every topological space  $X$  such that every subspace of  $X$  is non nowhere dense holds  $X$  is almost discrete.
- (57) For every non trivial topological space  $X$  such that every proper subspace of  $X$  is non everywhere dense holds  $X$  is almost discrete.

Let  $X$  be an almost discrete topological space. One can verify the following observations:

- \* every subspace of  $X$  is non nowhere dense,
- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is proper is also non everywhere dense,
- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is everywhere dense is also non proper,
- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is boundary is also non closed,
- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is closed is also non boundary,
- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is dense and proper is also non open,
- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is dense and open is also non proper, and
- \* every subspace of  $X$  which is open and proper is also non dense.

Let  $X$  be an almost discrete topological space. One can verify that there exists a subspace of  $X$  which is non nowhere dense and strict.

Let  $X$  be an almost discrete non trivial topological space. Note that there exists a subspace of  $X$  which is non everywhere dense and strict.

The following four propositions are true:

- (58) For every topological space  $X$  such that there exists subspace of  $X$  which is nowhere dense holds  $X$  is non almost discrete.
- (59) For every topological space  $X$  such that there exists subspace of  $X$  which is boundary and closed holds  $X$  is non almost discrete.
- (60) For every topological space  $X$  such that there exists subspace of  $X$  which is everywhere dense and proper holds  $X$  is non almost discrete.
- (61) For every topological space  $X$  such that there exists subspace of  $X$  which is dense and open and proper holds  $X$  is non almost discrete.

Let  $X$  be a non almost discrete topological space. One can check that there exists a subspace of  $X$  which is nowhere dense and strict and there exists a subspace of  $X$  which is everywhere dense proper and strict.

In the sequel  $X$  denotes a non almost discrete topological space.

The following propositions are true:

- (62) Let  $A_0$  be a non empty subset of  $X$ . Suppose  $A_0$  is nowhere dense. Then there exists a nowhere dense strict subspace  $X_0$  of  $X$  such that  $A_0 =$  the carrier of  $X_0$ .
- (63) Let  $A_0$  be a non empty proper subset of  $X$ . Suppose  $A_0$  is everywhere dense. Then there exists an everywhere dense proper strict subspace  $X_0$  of  $X$  such that  $A_0 =$  the carrier of  $X_0$ .
- (64) Let  $X_1$  be a nowhere dense subspace of  $X$ . Then there exists an everywhere dense proper strict subspace  $X_2$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  constitute a decomposition.
- (65) Let  $X_1$  be an everywhere dense proper subspace of  $X$ . Then there exists a nowhere dense strict subspace  $X_2$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  constitute a decomposition.
- (66) Let  $Y_1, Y_2$  be topological spaces. Suppose  $Y_2 =$  the topological structure of  $Y_1$ . Then  $Y_1$  is a nowhere dense subspace of  $X$  if and only if  $Y_2$  is a nowhere dense subspace of  $X$ .

Let  $X$  be a non almost discrete topological space. One can verify that there exists a subspace of  $X$  which is boundary closed and strict and there exists a subspace of  $X$  which is dense open proper and strict.

Next we state several propositions:

- (67) Let  $A_0$  be a non empty subset of  $X$ . Suppose  $A_0$  is boundary and closed. Then there exists a boundary closed strict subspace  $X_0$  of  $X$  such that  $A_0 =$  the carrier of  $X_0$ .
- (68) Let  $A_0$  be a non empty proper subset of  $X$ . Suppose  $A_0$  is dense and open. Then there exists a dense open proper strict subspace  $X_0$  of  $X$  such that  $A_0 =$  the carrier of  $X_0$ .
- (69) Let  $X_1$  be a boundary closed subspace of  $X$ . Then there exists a dense open proper strict subspace  $X_2$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  constitute a decomposition.



- (70) Let  $X_1$  be a dense open proper subspace of  $X$ . Then there exists a boundary closed strict subspace  $X_2$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  constitute a decomposition.
- (71) Let  $X_0$  be a subspace of  $X$ . Then  $X_0$  is nowhere dense if and only if there exists a boundary closed strict subspace  $X_1$  of  $X$  such that  $X_0$  is a subspace of  $X_1$ .
- (72) Let  $X_0$  be a nowhere dense subspace of  $X$ . Then
- (i)  $X_0$  is boundary or closed, or
  - (ii) there exists an everywhere dense proper strict subspace  $X_1$  of  $X$  and there exists a boundary closed strict subspace  $X_2$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1 \cap X_2 =$  the topological structure of  $X_0$  and  $X_1 \cup X_2 =$  the topological structure of  $X$ .
- (73) Let  $X_0$  be an everywhere dense subspace of  $X$ . Then
- (i)  $X_0$  is dense or open, or
  - (ii) there exists a dense open proper strict subspace  $X_1$  of  $X$  and there exists a nowhere dense strict subspace  $X_2$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  misses  $X_2$  and  $X_1 \cup X_2 =$  the topological structure of  $X_0$ .
- (74) Let  $X_0$  be a nowhere dense subspace of  $X$ . Then there exists a dense open proper strict subspace  $X_1$  of  $X$  and there exists a boundary closed strict subspace  $X_2$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  constitute a decomposition and  $X_0$  is a subspace of  $X_2$ .
- (75) Let  $X_0$  be an everywhere dense proper subspace of  $X$ . Then there exists a dense open proper strict subspace  $X_1$  of  $X$  and there exists a boundary closed strict subspace  $X_2$  of  $X$  such that  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  constitute a decomposition and  $X_1$  is a subspace of  $X_0$ .

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