

On β -topological vector spaces

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Abstract. We introduce and study a new class of spaces, namely β -topological vector spaces via β -open sets. The relationships among these spaces with some existing spaces are investigated. In addition, some important and useful characterizations of β -topological vector spaces are provided.

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1. Introduction

It is well-known that the advent of topological vector spaces brought a revolution in the study of various branches of functional analysis. Because of nice properties and usefulness, these spaces remain a fundamental notion in fixed point theory, operator theory and various other advanced branches of mathematics. In 2015, Khan et al. [4] introduced and studied the s -topological vector spaces which are a generalization of topological vector spaces. In 2016, Khan and Iqbal [5] introduced the irresolute topological vector spaces which are a particular brand of s -topological vector spaces but they are independent of topological vector spaces. Ibrahim [3] initiated the study of α -topological vector spaces which are contained in the class of s -topological vector spaces. In this paper, we introduce a new class of spaces, namely, β -topological vector spaces. Some general properties of β -topological vector spaces along with their relationships with certain other types

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of spaces are investigated. Furthermore, a broad characterizations of these spaces are presented.

2. Preliminaries

Let X be a topological space. For a subset A of X , the closure of A and the interior of A are denoted by $Cl(A)$ and $Int(A)$ respectively. We represent the set of real numbers by \mathbb{R} and the set of complex numbers by \mathbb{C} . The notations ϵ and δ denote negligibly small positive real numbers.

Definition 2.1 [1, 6, 7] A subset A of a topological space X is called

- (a) semi-open if $A \subseteq Cl(Int(A))$,
- (b) α -open if $A \subseteq Int(Cl(Int(A)))$,
- (c) β -open if $A \subseteq Cl(Int(Cl(A)))$.

Clearly, every open set is α -open and every α -open set is semi-open and every semi-open set is β -open but, in general, the converse need not be true.

Example 2.2 Let $X = \mathbb{R}$ with the usual topology. Consider $A = [1, 2]$, $B = (1, 2) \cap \mathbb{Q}$, where \mathbb{Q} denotes the set of rational numbers. Then A is semi-open but it is neither open nor α -open. Also, notice that B is β -open which is not semi-open.

The complement of a β -open set is said to be β -closed set. The intersection of all β -closed sets containing a subset $A \subseteq X$ is called the β -closure of A and is denoted by $\beta Cl(A)$. It is known that a subset A of X is β -closed if and only if $A = \beta Cl(A)$. A point $x \in \beta Cl(A)$ if and only if $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$ for each β -open set U in X containing x . The β -interior of a subset $A \subseteq X$ is the union of all β -open sets in X contained in A and is denoted by $\beta Int(A)$. A point x of X is called β -interior point of a subset A if there exists a β -open set U in X containing x such that $x \in U \subseteq A$. The set of all β -interior points of A is equal to $\beta Int(A)$. The family of all β -open (resp. β -closed) sets in X will be denoted by $\beta O(X)$ (resp. $\beta C(X)$).

Also we recall some definitions that will be used in the sequel.

Definition 2.3 Let L be a vector space over the field F (\mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C}). Let T be a topology on L such that

- (1) For each $x, y \in L$ and each open neighborhood W of $x + y$ in L , there exist open neighborhoods U and V of x and y respectively, in L such that $U + V \subseteq W$,
- (2) For each $\lambda \in F$, $x \in L$ and each open neighborhood W of λx in L , there exist open neighborhoods U of λ in F and V of x in L such that $U.V \subseteq W$.

Then the pair $(L_{(F)}, T)$ is called topological vector space.

Definition 2.4 [4] Let L be a vector space over the field F (\mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C}) and let T be a topology on L such that

- (1) For each $x, y \in L$ and each open set W in L containing $x + y$, there exist semi-open sets U and V in L containing x and y respectively such that $U + V \subseteq W$,
- (2) For each $\lambda \in F$, $x \in L$ and each open set W in L containing λx , there exist semi-open sets U in F containing λ and V in L containing x such that $U.V \subseteq W$.

Then the pair $(L_{(F)}, T)$ is called s-topological vector space.

Definition 2.5 [5] Let L be a vector space over the field F (\mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C}) and T be a topology on L such that

- (1) For each $x, y \in L$ and each semi-open set W in L containing $x + y$, there exist semi-open sets U and V in L containing x and y respectively such that $U + V \subseteq W$,

(2) For each $\lambda \in F$, $x \in L$ and each semi-open set W in L containing λx , there exist semi-open sets U in F containing λ and V in L containing x such that $U.V \subseteq W$.

Then the pair $(L_{(F)}, T)$ is called irresolute topological vector space.

Definition 2.6 [3] Let L be a vector space over the field F (\mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C}) and T be a topology on L such that

(1) For each $x, y \in L$ and each α -open set W in L containing $x+y$, there exist α -open sets U and V in L containing x and y respectively such that $U + V \subseteq W$,

(2) For each $\lambda \in F$, $x \in L$ and each α -open set W in L containing λx , there exist α -open sets U in F containing λ and V in L containing x such that $U.V \subseteq W$.

Then the pair $(L_{(F)}, T)$ is called α -topological vector space.

3. β -topological vector spaces

The purpose of this section is to define and investigate some basic properties of β -topological vector spaces.

Definition 3.1 Let E be a vector space over the field K , where $K = \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C} with standard topology. Let τ be a topology on E such that the following conditions are satisfied:

(1) For each $x, y \in E$ and each open set $W \subseteq E$ containing $x + y$, there exist β -open sets U and V in E containing x and y respectively, such that $U + V \subseteq W$,

(2) For each $\lambda \in K$, $x \in E$ and each open set $W \subseteq E$ containing λx , there exist β -open sets U in K containing λ and V in E containing x such that $U.V \subseteq W$.

Then the pair $(E_{(K)}, \tau)$ is called β -topological vector space (written in short, β TVS).

First of all we present some examples of β -topological vector spaces and then these examples will be used in the sequel for investigating the relationships of β -topological vector spaces with certain other types of spaces.

Example 3.2 Consider the field $K = \mathbb{R}$ with the standard topology. Let $E = \mathbb{R}$ be the real vector space, is also endowed with the standard topology. Then $(E_{(K)}, \tau)$ is β -topological vector space.

After tasting this example, an immediate question that comes into mind is that is there any other topology on \mathbb{R} which turn it out a β -topological vector space. The answer is in affirmative. In fact, there are topologies on \mathbb{R} other than the standard topology which turn it out a β -topological vector space. Let us present some examples of them.

Example 3.3 Consider $F = \mathbb{R}$ with the standard topology. Let $E = \mathbb{R}$ be the vector space of real numbers over the field F , is endowed with the topology $\tau = \{\emptyset, D, \mathbb{R}\}$, where D denotes the set of irrational numbers. Then

(1) For each $x, y \in E$, we have two cases:

Case (I) If $x + y$ is rational, then the only open neighborhood of $x + y$ in E is \mathbb{R} . So, there is nothing to prove.

Case (II) If $x + y$ is irrational, then for open neighborhood $W = D$ of $x + y$ in E . We have following sub-cases:

Sub-case (i) If both x and y are irrational, we can choose β -open sets $U = \{x\}$ and $V = \{y\}$ in E such that $U + V \subseteq W$.

Sub-case (ii) If one of x or y is rational, say y . Then, for the selection of β -open sets $U = \{x\}$ and $V = \{p, y\}$ in E , where $p \in D$ such that $p + x \in D$, we have $U + V \subseteq W$.

This verifies the first condition of β -topological vector spaces.

(2) Let $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ and $x \in E$. If λx is rational, then it is straightforward to prove. Suppose λx is irrational. Let $W = D$ be an open neighborhood of λx . The following cases arise:

Case (I) If both λ and x are irrational, then, choose β -open sets $U = [(\lambda - \epsilon, \lambda + \epsilon) \cap \mathbb{Q}] \cup \{\lambda\}$ in \mathbb{R} containing λ and $V = \{x\}$ in E containing x , we see that $U.V \subseteq W$.

Case (II) If λ is rational and x is irrational, then for the selection of β -open sets $U = (\lambda - \epsilon, \lambda + \epsilon) \cap \mathbb{Q}$ in \mathbb{R} containing λ and $V = \{x\}$ in E containing x , we have $U.V \subseteq W$.

Case (III) Finally, suppose λ is irrational and x is rational. Choose β -open sets $U = (\lambda - \epsilon, \lambda + \epsilon) \cap D$ of \mathbb{R} and $V = \{x, p\}$ of E such that $p \in D$ with pq is irrational for each $q \in U$, we find that $U.V \subseteq W$.

This proves that $(E_{(\mathbb{R})}, \tau)$ is β -topological vector space.

Example 3.4 Let $E = \mathbb{R}$ be the vector space of real numbers over the field K , where $K = \mathbb{R}$ with standard topology and the topology τ on E be generated by the base $\mathcal{B} = \{(a, b), [c, d) : a, b, c \text{ and } d \text{ are real numbers with } 0 < c < d\}$. We show that $(E_{(K)}, \tau)$ is β -topological vector space. For which we have to verify the following two conditions:

(1) Let $x, y \in L$. Then, for open neighborhood $W = [x + y, x + y + \epsilon)$ (resp. $(x + y - \epsilon, x + y + \epsilon)$) of $x + y$ in E , we can opt for β -open sets $U = [x, x + \delta)$ (resp. $(x - \delta, x + \delta)$) and $V = [y, y + \delta)$ (resp. $(y - \delta, y + \delta)$) of E containing x and y respectively, such that $U + V \subseteq W$ for each $\delta < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$.

(2) Let $x \in E$ and $\lambda \in K$. Consider open neighborhood $W = [\lambda x, \lambda x + \epsilon)$ (resp. $(\lambda x - \epsilon, \lambda x + \epsilon)$) of λx in E . We have following cases:

Case (1). If $\lambda > 0$ and $x > 0$, then clearly $\lambda x > 0$. We can choose β -open sets $U = [\lambda, \lambda + \delta)$ (resp. $(\lambda - \delta, \lambda + \delta)$) in K containing λ and $V = [x, x + \delta)$ (resp. $(x - \delta, x + \delta)$) in E containing x such that $U.V \subseteq W$ for each $\delta < \frac{\epsilon}{\lambda + x + 1}$.

Case (II). If $\lambda < 0$ and $x < 0$, then $\lambda x > 0$. We can choose β -open sets $U = (\lambda - \delta, \lambda]$ (resp. $(\lambda - \delta, \lambda + \delta)$) in K and $V = (x - \delta, x]$ (resp. $(x - \delta, x + \delta)$) in E such that $U.V \subseteq W$ for sufficiently appropriate $\delta \leq \frac{-\epsilon}{\lambda + x - 1}$.

Case (III). If $\lambda = 0$ and $x > 0$ (resp. $\lambda > 0$ and $x = 0$). Then $\lambda x = 0$. Consider any open neighborhood $W = (-\epsilon, \epsilon)$ of 0 in E . We can opt for β -open sets $U = (-\delta, \delta)$ (resp. $U = (\lambda - \delta, \lambda + \delta)$) of \mathbb{R} containing λ and $V = (x - \delta, x + \delta)$ (resp. $V = (-\delta, \delta)$) of E containing x such that $U.V \subseteq W$ for each $\delta < \frac{\epsilon}{x + 1}$ (resp. $\delta < \frac{\epsilon}{\lambda + 1}$).

Case (IV). If $\lambda = 0$ and $x < 0$ (resp. $\lambda < 0$ and $x = 0$). Consider any open neighborhood $W = (-\epsilon, \epsilon)$ of 0 in E . Then, for the selection of β -open sets $U = (-\delta, \delta)$ (resp. $U = (\lambda - \delta, \lambda + \delta)$) in \mathbb{R} and $V = (x - \delta, x + \delta)$ (resp. $V = (-\delta, \delta)$) in E , we have $U.V \subseteq W = (-\epsilon, \epsilon)$ for each $\delta < \frac{\epsilon}{1 - x}$ (resp. $(\delta < \frac{\epsilon}{1 - \lambda})$).

Case (V). If $\lambda = 0$ and $x = 0$. Consider any open neighborhood $W = (-\epsilon, \epsilon)$ of 0 in E , we can find β -open sets $U = (-\delta, \delta)$ of \mathbb{R} and $V = (-\delta, \delta)$ of E , such that $U.V \subseteq W$ for each $\delta < \sqrt{\epsilon}$.

Case (VI). If $\lambda < 0$, $x > 0$ (resp. $\lambda > 0$, $x < 0$). In this case, there is only one type of open neighborhood $W = (\lambda x - \epsilon, \lambda x + \epsilon)$ of λx in E . Choose β -open sets $U = (\lambda - \delta, \lambda + \delta)$ in \mathbb{R} and $V = (x - \delta, x + \delta)$ in E , we have $U.V \subseteq W$ for each $\delta < \frac{\epsilon}{x - \lambda + 1}$ (resp. $\delta < \frac{\epsilon}{\lambda - x + 1}$). Hence, $(E_{(\mathbb{R})}, \tau)$ is β -topological vector space.

The definitions clarify that every s-topological vector space is β -topological vector space but the converse is not true because, in general, Example 3.3 is not s-topological vector space.

From here on, E denotes a β -topological vector space $(E_{(K)}, \tau)$ unless stated explicitly and by a scalar we mean an element of the associated field K of a β -topological vector space $(E_{(K)}, \tau)$. Now, we discuss some basic properties of β -topological vector spaces.

Theorem 3.5 Let A be any open subset of a β -topological vector space E . Then the following are true:

- (i) $x + A \in \beta O(E)$ for each $x \in E$,
- (ii) $\lambda A \in \beta O(E)$ for each non-zero scalar λ .

Proof. (i) Let $y \in x + A$. Then there exist β -open sets $U, V \in \beta O(E)$ containing $-x$ and y , respectively, such that

$$U + V \subseteq A \Rightarrow -x + V \subseteq U + V \subseteq A \Rightarrow V \subseteq x + A \Rightarrow y \in \text{Int}_\beta(x + A).$$

Hence, $x + A = \text{Int}_\beta(x + A)$. This proves that $x + A$ is β -open set in E .

(ii) Let $x \in \lambda A$. By the definition of β -topological vector spaces, there exist β -open sets U in K containing $\frac{1}{\lambda}$ and V in E containing x such that

$$U.V \subseteq A \Rightarrow x \in V \subseteq \lambda A \Rightarrow x \in \text{Int}_\beta(\lambda A) \Rightarrow \lambda A = \text{Int}_\beta(\lambda A).$$

Thus, $\lambda A \in \beta O(E)$. ■

Corollary 3.6 For any open subset A of a β -topological vector space E , the following are true:

- (i) $x + A \subseteq \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(\text{Cl}(x + A)))$ for each $x \in E$,
- (ii) $\lambda A \subseteq \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(\text{Cl}(\lambda A)))$ for each non-zero scalar λ .

Theorem 3.7 Let F be any closed subset of a β -topological vector space E . Then the following are true:

- (i) $x + F \in \beta C(E)$ for each $x \in E$,
- (ii) $\lambda F \in \beta C(E)$ for each non-zero scalar λ .

Proof. (i) Suppose that $y \in \beta \text{Cl}(x + F)$. Consider $z = -x + y$ and let W be any open set in E containing z . Then there exist β -open sets U and V in E such that $-x \in U$, $y \in V$ and $U + V \subseteq W$. Since $y \in \beta \text{Cl}(x + F)$, $(x + F) \cap V \neq \emptyset$. So, there is $a \in (x + F) \cap V$. Now,

$$-x + a \in F \cap (U + V) \subseteq F \cap W \Rightarrow F \cap W \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow z \in \text{Cl}(F) = F \Rightarrow y \in x + F.$$

Hence, $x + F = \beta \text{Cl}(x + F)$. This proves that $x + F$ is β -closed set in E .

(ii) Assume that $x \in \beta \text{Cl}(\lambda F)$ and let W be any open neighborhood of $y = \frac{1}{\lambda}x$ in E . Since E is β TVS, there exist β -open sets U in K containing $\frac{1}{\lambda}$ and V in E containing x such that $U.V \subseteq W$. By hypothesis, $(\lambda F) \cap V \neq \emptyset$. Therefore, there is $a \in (\lambda F) \cap V$. Now,

$$\frac{1}{\lambda}a \in F \cap (U.V) \subseteq F \cap W \Rightarrow F \cap W \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow y \in \text{Cl}(F) = F \Rightarrow x \in \lambda F$$

and thereby, $\lambda F = \beta \text{Cl}(\lambda F)$. Hence, $\lambda F \in \beta C(E)$. ■

Corollary 3.8 For any closed subset F of a β -topological vector space E , the following are true:

- (i) $\text{Int}(\text{Cl}(\text{Int}(x + F))) \subseteq x + F$ for each $x \in E$,
- (ii) $\text{Int}(\text{Cl}(\text{Int}(\lambda F))) \subseteq \lambda F$ for each non-zero scalar λ .

Theorem 3.9 Let A and B be any subsets of a β -topological vector space E . Then $\beta \text{Cl}(A) + \beta \text{Cl}(B) \subseteq \text{Cl}(A + B)$.

Proof. Let $x \in \beta \text{Cl}(A)$, $y \in \beta \text{Cl}(B)$ and let W be any open neighborhood of $x + y$ in E . Then, by the definition of β -topological vector spaces, there exist β -open sets $U, V \in \beta O(E)$ such that $x \in U$, $y \in V$ and $U + V \subseteq W$. By assumption, there are $a \in A \cap U$ and $b \in B \cap V$. Consequently, $a + b \in (A + B) \cap (U + V) \subseteq (A + B) \cap W \Rightarrow (A + B) \cap W \neq \emptyset$

and as a result, $x + y \in Cl(A + B)$. Therefore, $\beta Cl(A) + \beta Cl(B) \subseteq Cl(A + B)$. ■

4. Characterizations

In this section, we obtain some useful characterizations of β -topological vector spaces.

Theorem 4.1 For a subset A of a β -topological vector space E , the following are valid:

- (a) $\beta Cl(x + A) \subseteq x + Cl(A)$ for each $x \in E$,
- (b) $x + \beta Cl(A) \subseteq Cl(x + A)$ for each $x \in E$,
- (c) $x + Int(A) \subseteq \beta Int(x + A)$ for each $x \in E$,
- (d) $Int(x + A) \subseteq x + \beta Int(A)$ for each $x \in E$.

Proof. (a) Let $y \in \beta Cl(x + A)$ and consider $z = -x + y$ in E . Let W be any open neighborhood of z . Then we get β -open sets U containing $-x$ and V containing y in E such that $U + V \subseteq W$. Whence we find that $(x + A) \cap V \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow$ there is $a \in E$ such that $a \in (x + A) \cap V$. Now, $-x + a \in A \cap (U + V) \subseteq A \cap W \Rightarrow A \cap W \neq \emptyset$ and hence, $z \in Cl(A)$; that is, $y \in x + Cl(A)$. Therefore, $\beta Cl(x + A) \subseteq x + Cl(A)$.

(b) Let $z \in x + \beta Cl(A)$. Then $z = x + y$ for some $y \in \beta Cl(A)$. Notice that for any open neighborhood W of z , there exist β -open sets $U, V \in \beta O(E)$ such that $x \in U$, $y \in V$ and $U + V \subseteq W$. Since $y \in \beta Cl(A)$, $A \cap V \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow$ there is $a \in A \cap V$. Now,

$$x + a \in (x + A) \cap (U + V) \subseteq (x + A) \cap W \Rightarrow (x + A) \cap W \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow z \in Cl(x + A).$$

Hence, the assertion follows.

(c) Let $y \in x + Int(A)$. Then $U + V \subseteq Int(A)$ where $U, V \in \beta O(E)$ such that $-x \in U$ and $y \in V$. Whence we have $-x + V \subseteq U + V \subseteq A \Rightarrow V \subseteq x + A$. Since V is β -open, $y \in \beta Int(x + A)$ and consequently, $x + Int(A) \subseteq \beta Int(x + A)$.

(d) Let $y \in Int(x + A)$. Then $y = x + a$ for some $a \in A$. Since E is β TVS, there exist $U, V \in \beta O(E)$ such that $x \in U$, $a \in V$ and $U + V \subseteq Int(x + A)$. Now $x + V \subseteq U + V \subseteq Int(x + A) \subseteq x + A$ implies that $y \in x + \beta Int(A)$. Therefore, the assertion follows. ■

The following is the analog of Theorem 4.1.

Theorem 4.2 For a subset A of a β -topological vector space E , the following are valid:

- (a) $\beta Cl(\lambda.A) \subseteq \lambda.Cl(A)$ for each non-zero scalar λ ,
- (b) $\lambda.\beta Cl(A) \subseteq Cl(\lambda.A)$ for each non-zero scalar λ ,
- (c) $\lambda.Int(A) \subseteq \beta Int(\lambda.A)$ for each non-zero scalar λ ,
- (d) $Int(\lambda.A) \subseteq \lambda.\beta Int(A)$ for each non-zero scalar λ .

Theorem 4.3 Let A be any subset of a β -topological vector space E . Then

- (a) $Int(Cl(Int(x + A))) \subseteq x + Cl(A)$ for each $x \in E$,
- (b) $x + Int(Cl(Int(A))) \subseteq Cl(x + A)$ for each $x \in E$,
- (c) $x + Int(A) \subseteq Cl(Int(Cl(x + A)))$ for each $x \in E$,
- (d) $Int(x + A) \subseteq x + Cl(Int(Cl(A)))$ for each $x \in E$.

Proof. (a) Since $Cl(A)$ is closed, by Theorem 3.7, $x + Cl(A)$ is β -closed. Consequently, $Int(Cl(Int(x + A))) \subseteq x + Cl(A)$.

(b) In view of Theorem 3.7, $-x + Cl(x + A)$ is β -closed and hence $Int(Cl(Int(A))) \subseteq -x + Cl(x + A)$. Thereby the assertion follows.

(c) In consequence of Theorem 3.5, $x + Int(A)$ is β -open. Therefore, $x + Int(A) \subseteq Cl(Int(Cl(x + Int(A)))) \subseteq Cl(Int(Cl(x + A)))$. Hence the assertion follows.

(d) Obvious. ■

The analog of Theorem 4.3 is the following:

Theorem 4.4 Let A be any subset of a β -topological vector space E . Then

- (a) $\text{Int}(\text{Cl}(\text{Int}(\lambda A))) \subseteq \lambda \text{Cl}(A)$ for each non-zero scalar λ ,
- (b) $\lambda \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(\text{Int}(A))) \subseteq \text{Cl}(\lambda A)$ for each non-zero scalar λ ,
- (c) $\lambda \text{Int}(A) \subseteq \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(\text{Cl}(\lambda A)))$ for each non-zero scalar λ ,
- (d) $\text{Int}(\lambda A) \subseteq \lambda \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(\text{Cl}(A)))$ for each non-zero scalar λ .

Theorem 4.5 For any open set U in a β -topological vector space E , $x + \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(U)) \subseteq \text{Cl}(x + U)$ for each $x \in E$.

Proof. On account of Theorem 4.3(b), $x + \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(\text{Int}(U))) \subseteq \text{Cl}(x + U)$. Since U is open, we have $x + \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(U)) \subseteq \text{Cl}(x + U)$. This completes the proof. ■

Theorem 4.6 For any closed set F in a β -topological vector space E , $\text{Int}(x + F) \subseteq x + \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(F))$ for each $x \in E$.

Proof. In view of Theorem 4.3(d), $\text{Int}(x + F) \subseteq x + \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(\text{Cl}(F))) = x + \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(F))$ because F is closed. Hence the proof is finished. ■

Definition 4.7 [1] A mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ from a topological space X to a topological space Y is called β -continuous if for each $x \in X$ and each open set V in Y containing $f(x)$, there exists a β -open set U in X containing x such that $f(U) \subseteq V$.

Theorem 4.8 For a β -topological vector space E , the following are true:

- (a) the translation mapping $f_x : E \rightarrow E$ defined by $f_x(y) = x + y$ for all $y \in E$ is β -continuous,
- (b) the mapping $f_\lambda : E \rightarrow E$ defined by $f_\lambda(x) = \lambda x$ for all $x \in E$ is β -continuous, where λ is a fixed scalar.

Proof. (a) Let $y \in E$ and V be an open set in E containing $f_x(y) = x + y$. Then by the definition of β -topological vector spaces, we get $U, U' \in \beta O(E)$ such that $x \in U, y \in U'$ and $U + U' \subseteq V$ and consequently, $f_x(U') \subseteq V$. This proves that f_x is β -continuous.

(b) Let $x \in E$ be an arbitrary. Let W be any open set in E containing λx . Then there exist β -open sets U in K containing λ and V in E containing x such that $U.V \subseteq W$. Now $\lambda V \subseteq U.V \subseteq W \Rightarrow f_\lambda(x) \subseteq W$ and hence f_λ is β -continuous. ■

Theorem 4.9 Let E_1 be a β -topological vector space, E_2 be a topological vector space over the same field K . Let $f : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$ be a linear map such that f is continuous at 0. Then f is β -continuous everywhere.

Proof. Let x be any non-zero element of E_1 and V be an open set in E_2 containing $f(x)$. Since translation of an open set in topological vector spaces is open, $V - f(x)$ is open set in E_2 containing 0. Since f is continuous at 0, there exists an open set U in E_1 containing 0 such that $f(U) \subseteq V - f(x)$. Furthermore, linearity of f implies that $f(x + U) \subseteq V$. By Theorem 3.5, $x + U$ is β -open and hence f is β -continuous at x . By hypothesis, f is β -continuous at 0. This reflects that f is β -continuous. ■

Corollary 4.10 Let E be a β -topological vector space over the field K . Let $f : E \rightarrow K$ be a linear functional which is continuous at 0. Then the set $F = \{x \in E : f(x) = 0\}$ is β -closed.

Definition 4.11 [2] A topological space X is called β -compact if every cover of X by β -open sets of X has a finite subcover. A subset A of X is said to be β -compact relative to X if every cover of A by β -open sets of X has a finite subcover.

Theorem 4.12 Let A be any β -compact set in a β -topological vector space E . Then $x + A$ is compact for each $x \in E$.

Proof. Let $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ be an open cover of $x + A$. Then $A \subseteq \cup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} (-x + U_\alpha)$. By hypothesis and Theorem 3.5, $A \subseteq \cup_{\alpha \in \Lambda_0} (-x + U_\alpha)$ for some finite $\Lambda_0 \subseteq \Lambda$. Whence we find that $x + A \subseteq \cup_{\alpha \in \Lambda_0} U_\alpha$. This shows that $x + A$ is compact. Hence, the proof is complete. ■

Theorem 4.13 Let A be any β -compact set in a β -topological vector space E . Then λA is compact for each scalar λ .

Proof. If $\lambda = 0$ we are nothing to prove. Assume that λ is non-zero. Let $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ be an open cover of λA . Then $A \subseteq \cup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} (\frac{1}{\lambda} U_\alpha)$. In view of Theorem 3.1, $\frac{1}{\lambda} U_\alpha$ is β -open and consequently, by hypothesis, $A \subseteq \cup_{\alpha \in \Lambda_0} (\frac{1}{\lambda} U_\alpha)$ for some finite $\Lambda_0 \subseteq \Lambda$. Whence we find that $\lambda A \subseteq \cup_{\alpha \in \Lambda_0} U_\alpha$. This proves that λA is compact. ■

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