



## Application of $\alpha$ -open sets in generalizations of some new notions

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**Abstract:** We introduce generalizations of the notions of sheaves, Etale spaces and torsors by applying the notion of  $\alpha$ -open sets.

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### 1. $\alpha$ -Sheaves

For the basic facts on categories and functors, we refer the reader to [6].

**Definition 1.1.** A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called:

- 1) semi-open [2] if  $A \subset Cl(Int(A))$ .
- 2)  $\alpha$ -open [5] if  $A \subset Int(Cl(Int(A)))$ .
- 3) preopen [3] if  $A \subset Int(Cl(A))$ .

The family of all  $\alpha$ -open (resp. semi-open, pre-open) subsets of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is denoted by  $\alpha O(X)$  (resp.  $SO(X), PO(X)$ ).

Any open set is  $\alpha$ -open but the converse is not true (see [5]). It is well-known that any  $\alpha$ -open set is semiopen and preopen. The family of all  $\alpha$ -open subsets of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is denoted by  $\alpha O(X)$  and Njåsted showed that it is a topology on  $X$ .

It is obvious that the poset of  $\alpha$ -open sets of a topological space  $X$  can be considered as a category by taking as arrows,  $\xi : D \rightarrow E$  (inclusion) such that  $D \subseteq E$ .

**Definition 1.2.** A  $\alpha$ -presheaf on a space  $X$  is a covariant functor  $\mathcal{F} : \alpha O(X)^{op} \rightarrow Sets$ .

Observe that every presheaf is  $\alpha$ -presheaf but the converse is not true since there is  $\alpha$ -open sets which are not open. It is well-known that a presheaf on a space  $X$  is a covariant functor  $\mathcal{F} : O(X)^{op} \rightarrow Sets$ , where  $O(X)$  is the family of all open subsets of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ .

For each  $\alpha$ -open set  $D$  of  $X$ , we have a set  $\mathcal{F}(D)$ . In addition, we have the operation  $\mathcal{F}(\xi) : \mathcal{F}(E) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(D)$  if  $\xi : D \rightarrow E$  is an inclusion. It is obvious that morphism between  $\alpha$ -presheaves defines the category of  $\alpha$ -presheaves on  $X$ . Mind that in this paper we write  $e \mid D$  instead of  $\mathcal{F}(\xi)(e)$ . To find the compatible family in the  $\alpha$ -presheaf  $\mathcal{F}$ , we take  $\cup D_i$  to be an  $\alpha$ -open cover of  $D$ . Now the compatible family refers to those elements  $e_i$  in  $\mathcal{F}(D_i)$  such that  $e_i \mid D_{ij} = e_j \mid D_{ij}$ , where  $D_{ij} = D_i \cap D_j$ .

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An  $\alpha$ -presheaf is called an  $\alpha$ -sheaf if for any  $\alpha$ -open cover of  $D = \cup D_i$  and for any compatible family  $\{e_j\}$ , there exists an element  $e$  in  $\mathcal{F}(D)$  such that  $e|_{D_i} = e_i, \forall i$ . If there is only one such  $e$ , the  $\alpha$ -presheaf is called separated  $\alpha$ -presheaf.

Recall that a function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is called  $\alpha$ -continuous [4] if for each  $x \in X$  and each open set  $V$  containing  $f(x)$ , there exists an  $\alpha$ -open set  $U$  in  $X$  containing  $x$  such that  $f(U) \subset V$ .

**Example 1.1.** Take the maps  $f : Y \rightarrow X$  and  $g : D \rightarrow Y$ , where  $g$  is  $\alpha$ -continuous and  $f \circ g = I$ ,  $I$  is identity. Then the  $\alpha$ -sheaf of sections of  $f$  is  $\mathcal{S}_\alpha(f) = \{g : D \rightarrow Y \mid f \circ g = I\}$ .

Observe that  $\alpha$ -sheaves  $\hookrightarrow$  separated  $\alpha$ -presheaves  $\hookrightarrow$   $\alpha$ -presheaves have left adjoints, where  $\hookrightarrow$  denotes the inclusion functor.

## 2. $\alpha$ -Etale spaces

We say that a topological space  $X$  is locally  $\alpha$ -homeomorphic to  $Y$  if every point of  $X$  has a neighborhood that is  $\alpha$ -homeomorphic to an  $\alpha$ -open subset of  $Y$ . Recall that two topological spaces are called  $\alpha$ -homeomorphic if there exists a bijective function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  such that  $f$  and its inverse are  $\alpha$ -continuous.

Here we introduce the notion of  $\alpha$ -Etale space by involving  $\alpha$ -open sets. It is obvious that an Etale space is always  $\alpha$ -Etale but the converse is not true.

**Definition 2.1.** A space  $\mathcal{E}$  provided with an  $\alpha$ -continuous and local  $\alpha$ -homeomorphism  $\psi : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow X$  is called an  $\alpha$ -Etale space over  $X$ .

Take  $\alpha$ -Etale spaces  $\phi_1 : \mathcal{E}_1 \rightarrow X$  and  $\phi_2 : \mathcal{E}_2 \rightarrow X$  and consider  $\alpha$ -continuous map  $\mu : \mathcal{E}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_2$  for which  $\phi_2 \mu = \phi_1$ . This suggests a definition of a category of  $\alpha$ -Etale spaces over  $X$ . Observe that  $\mathcal{S}_\alpha : \alpha$ -Etale spaces  $\rightarrow$   $\alpha$ -sheaves takes  $\phi_1 : \mathcal{E}_1 \rightarrow X$  and send it to the  $\alpha$ -sheaf of sections  $\mathcal{S}_\alpha(\phi_1)$ . It is easy to show that this functor is an equivalence of categories.

Indeed if  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a local  $\alpha$ -homeomorphism, then the topological space  $X$  is said to be an Etale space over  $Y$ .

## 3. $\alpha$ -Torsors

Suppose  $\mathcal{G}$  is a sheaf of groups on  $X$  and  $\mathcal{S}_\alpha$  an  $\alpha$ -sheaf on  $X$ . Observe the following map of  $\alpha$ -sheaves  $\eta : \mathcal{G} \times \mathcal{S}_\alpha \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_\alpha$

We say  $\mathcal{S}_\alpha$  is a  $\mathcal{G}$ - $\alpha$ -torsor if

- (a)  $X = \cup U$  such that  $\mathcal{S}_\alpha(U)$  is not empty.
- (b) For each  $\alpha$ -open set  $U \subseteq X$ , the action of  $\mathcal{G}(U)$  on  $\mathcal{S}_\alpha(U)$  is free and transitive.

It is true that torsor implies  $\alpha$ -torsor but not conversely. Also it is obvious that a morphism between  $\alpha$ -torsors is a morphism of sheaves which is also an isomorphism [1], commutes with the action.

The first Čech cohomology classes of an  $\alpha$ -sheaf of groups can be given a geometric interpretation in terms of  $\mathcal{G}$ - $\alpha$ -torsor similar to the usual one in the theory of torsors. If we tak  $\mathcal{U} = U_\alpha$  to be an  $\alpha$ -open cover of  $X$ , then we have:

$$H^1(X, \mathcal{G}) = \lim_{\rightarrow \mathcal{U}} H^1(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{G}).$$

By the same manner one can define *semi-sheaves*, *semi-Etale space* and *semi-torsor*, *pre-sheaves*, *pre-Etale space* and *pre-torsor* by involving semi-open and preopen sets. Since every  $\alpha$ -open set is semi-open and

preopen then we have new and weaker generalizations. In fact we can use other types of generalized open sets to define new notions by the same token.

**Remark 3.1.** *It should be noted that a  $\mathcal{G}$ - $\alpha$ -torsor is an  $\alpha$ -Étale space  $\psi : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow X$  by considering the action  $\eta : \mathcal{G} \times_X \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$  such that  $\psi$  is surjective and  $\mathcal{G} \times_X \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{E} \times \mathcal{E}$  is  $\alpha$ -homeomorphism. One can also define  $\alpha$ -prestack and  $\alpha$ -stack by utilizing  $\alpha$ -fibered category and the notions of  $\alpha$ -presheaf and  $\alpha$ -sheaf. It is well-known that stacks are important not only as a research area itself but also with respect to the theory of gerbs which are important and have applications in Geometry, Field theory and quantisation.*

### Questions

How the new notions defined in this paper can be used when one uses ideal topological spaces and the ideal poset of  $I$ -open sets?

Can the introduction of ideals help in constructing more proper examples which otherwise could have been difficult to tackle as it was the case with topological spaces?

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