

#### Addendum

# Addendum to " $\alpha$ -Topological Vector Spaces"[Hacet. J. Math. Stat. 47 (5), 1102-1107, 2018]

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## Abstract

In this article, we give the corrected version of Theorem 3.5 and Theorem 3.7 (a) in  $[\alpha$ -Topological vector spaces, Hacet. J. Math. Stat. **47** (5), 1102-1107, 2018] by T. Al-Hawary.

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This article concerns two results, namely Theorem 3.5 and Theorem 3.7 (a), in the original paper " $\alpha$ -Topological Vector Spaces by T. Al-Hawary", Hacet. J. Math. Stat. 47 (5), 1102-1107, 2018. Actually, an incorrect detail is used by Al-Hawary in the argument of the proofs of Theorem 3.5 and Theorem 3.7 (a) in [1]. We identify this error and provide a counterexample to it before stating the amended version of these theorems.

Recall that a subset A of a topological space  $(X, \mathfrak{S})$  is called  $\alpha$ -open [2] if  $A \subseteq Int(Cl(Int(A)))$ . Njastad [2] showed that  $\alpha$ -open sets in X form a topology on X which is called the  $\alpha$ -topology on X.

We now state Theorem 3.5 and Theorem 3.7 (a) in [1].

**Theorem 1.** Let  $(X, \alpha O(X))$  be an  $\alpha$ -topological vector space. Then every  $U \in N_0(X)$ , the collection of all  $\alpha$ -open sets in X containing the zero vector, is absorbing.

**Theorem 2.** Let  $(X, \alpha O(X))$  be an  $\alpha$ -topological vector space. For every  $U \in N_0(X)$ , there exists a balanced set  $V \in N_0(X)$  s.t.  $V \subseteq U$ .

In the proof of these theorems in [1], we claim that the set  $V_1$  need not contain any open interval of the form  $(-\epsilon, \epsilon)$ , for any  $\epsilon > 0$ . To see why this claim is correct in general, take e.g. the set  $V_1 = \{\eta \in \mathbb{R} : \eta \neq \frac{1}{n}, n \in \mathbb{Z}_+\}$ , where  $\mathbb{Z}_+$  denotes the set of positive integers. Then  $Int(Cl(Int(V_1))) = \mathbb{R} \supseteq V_1$ , i.e.,  $V_1$  is an  $\alpha$ -open set of  $\mathbb{R}$ . Obviously,  $V_1$ does not contain any set of the form  $(-\epsilon, \epsilon)$ . We can also observe this by considering the following sets in  $\mathbb{R}$ :

$$V_1 = \{\eta \in \mathbb{R}: -1 < \eta < 1, \ \eta \neq \frac{1}{n}, \ n \in \mathbb{Z}_+\}$$

or

$$V_1 = \{ \eta \in \mathbb{R} \colon -1 < \eta < 1, \ \eta \notin \sigma \},\$$

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where  $\sigma = \{-\frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{Z}_+\} \cup \{\frac{1}{k} : k \in \mathbb{Z}_+\}.$ 

From here on, we use the following notations:

•  $\mathfrak{S}^{\alpha}$ ,  $X^{\alpha}$  and  $N_x(X)$  denote respectively the class of  $\alpha$ -open sets in a given topological space  $(X, \mathfrak{S})$ , the corresponding topological space  $(X, \mathfrak{S}^{\alpha})$  and the collection of all  $\alpha$ -open sets in X (with respect to  $\mathfrak{S}$ ) containing x.

• All vector spaces are over the field  $\mathbb{F} \in \{\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}\}$ , and when we treat  $\mathbb{F}$  as a topological space, we mean  $\mathbb{F}$  is endowed with its ordinary topology.

## Corrected version

**Definition 3.** A nearly topological vector space is a pair  $(L, \Im)$ , where

- L is a vector space, and
- $\Im$  is a topology on L, with
- (1) the vector addition mapping,  $L^{\alpha} \times L^{\alpha} \ni (x, y) \mapsto x + y \in L^{\alpha}$ , and

(2) the scalar multiplication mapping,  $\mathbb{F} \times L^{\alpha} \ni (\lambda, x) \mapsto \lambda x \in L^{\alpha}$ 

are continuous.

It is obvious from the definition that every real nearly topological vector space is an  $\alpha$ -topological vector space, but the converse need not be true in general.

**Theorem 4.** Let  $(L, \Im)$  be a nearly topological vector space, and  $o \in L$  the zero vector. Then the following statements

(1) Every  $\sigma \in N_o(L)$  is absorbing.

(2) For every  $\nabla \in N_o(L)$ , there exists a balanced set  $\sigma \in N_o(L)$  s.t.  $\sigma \subseteq \nabla$ . hold true.

**Proof.** (1) Fix any  $x \in L$ , then the mapping

$$\mathbb{F} \ni \lambda \; \mapsto \; \lambda x \in L^{\alpha}$$

is continuous. Therefore for any  $\sigma \in N_o(L)$ , there exists an open set  $\mathfrak{U}$  in  $\mathbb{F}$  such that  $\mathfrak{U}\mathfrak{V} \subseteq \sigma$  where  $\mathfrak{V} = \{x\}$ . Without loss of generality, we can take  $\epsilon > 0$  such that  $(-\epsilon, \epsilon) \subseteq \mathfrak{U}$ . Then  $(-\epsilon, \epsilon)\mathfrak{V} \subseteq \sigma$ , showing that  $\sigma$  is absorbing.

(2) Take any  $\nabla \in N_o(L)$ , then there exists an open set  $\mathfrak{U}$  in  $\mathbb{F}$ , and  $\mathfrak{V} \in N_o(L)$  satisfying

$$\mathfrak{UV}\subseteq \nabla, 0\in \mathfrak{U}.$$

Choose any sufficiently small positive number  $\epsilon$  such that  $D = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{F} : |\lambda| \leq \epsilon\} \subseteq \mathfrak{U}$ , and set

$$\sigma = \cup_{\lambda \in D} \lambda \mathfrak{V}.$$

Since the function  $L^{\alpha} \ni x \mapsto \lambda x \in L^{\alpha}$  (for any fixed  $0 \neq \lambda \in \mathbb{F}$ ) is a homeomorphism,  $\sigma \in N_o(L)$ . Now, for  $\mu \in \mathbb{F}$  with  $|\mu| \leq 1$ , we have

$$\mu\sigma = \cup_{\lambda \in D} \mu(\lambda \mathfrak{V}) = \cup_{\nu \in D} \nu \mathfrak{V},$$

which ends the proof.

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