

On stability and weight of Lindelöf P -groups

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If every G_δ -set in a space X is open, we say that it is a P -space. Similarly, a topological group is a P -group if it is a P -space. The class of Lindelöf P -groups, which is similar to the class of compact topological groups in terms of permanence properties, is the focus of our presentation.

First, we consider the question of whether every Lindelöf P -group is τ -stable, for a given infinite cardinal τ . It is well known that the answer is affirmative for $\tau = \aleph_0$ and $\tau = \aleph_1$. We extend this conclusion to a proper class of cardinals τ , including those satisfying the equality $\tau^\omega = \tau$. We deduce, for example, that every Lindelöf P -group is \aleph_n -stable, for each $n \in \omega$.

Second, we look at the problem of estimating a gap between the weight and i -weight of a Lindelöf P -group G . If the cardinal $\tau = iw(G)$ is either \aleph_n for some $n \in \omega$ or fulfills $\tau^\omega = \tau$, it is not difficult to demonstrate that the two cardinal functions coincide. In general, however, a gap can be quite big. According to our best knowledge, if $iw(G) = \aleph_\omega$, then $w(G) < \aleph_{\omega_4}$ and $w(G) \leq (\tau_\omega)^\omega$.

Our entire analysis is based on the family $[\tau]^\omega$ of countable subsets of an uncountable cardinal τ partially ordered by inclusion.

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