

SOME APPLICATIONS OF δ -PREOPEN SETS IN TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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Abstract. In 1993, Raychaudhuri and Mukherjee [10] introduced the notions of δ -preopen sets and δ -preclosure. In this paper, we introduce some weak separation axioms by utilizing the notions of δ -preopen sets and the δ -preclosure operator.

1. Introduction. Mashhour et al. [7] introduced preopen sets and pre-continuous functions in topological spaces. On the other hand, Veličko [13] introduced the notion of δ -open sets which are stronger than open sets. Since then, δ -open sets have been widely used in order to introduce new spaces and functions. Recently, Raychaudhuri and Mukherjee [10] have introduced the notions of δ -preopen sets and δ -almost continuity in topological spaces. The class of δ -preopen sets is larger than that of preopen sets. By using δ -preopen sets, in [11], they introduced and investigated δp -closed spaces.

In this paper, we introduce some weak separation axioms by utilizing the notions of δ -preopen sets and the δ -preclosure operator. We show that (δ, p) - T_1 spaces, (δ, p) - R_0 spaces and (δ, p) -symmetric spaces are all equivalent. The following property is fundamental and important: a subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is δ -preopen in (X, τ) if and only if it is preopen in (X, τ_s) , where τ_s is the semi-regularization of τ . This fact plays an important role in the sequel.

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2. Preliminaries. Let (X, τ) (or X) be a topological space and A a subset of X . The closure of A and the interior of A are denoted by $Cl(A)$ and $Int(A)$, respectively. A subset A is said to be regular open if $Int(Cl(A)) = A$. A point x of X is called a δ -cluster point of A if $A \cap V \neq \emptyset$ for every regular open set V containing x . The set of all δ -cluster point of A is called the δ -closure of A and denoted by $Cl_\delta(A)$. If $Cl_\delta(A) = A$, then A is said to be δ -closed [13]. The complement of a δ -closed set is said to be δ -open. The union of all δ -open sets contained in A is called the δ -interior of A and is denoted by $Int_\delta(A)$. It is well-known that the family of regular open sets in a topological space (X, τ) is a base for a topology which is called the semi-regularization of τ and is denoted by τ_s . The family of all δ -open sets in (X, τ) forms a topology which is weaker than τ . Actually this topology coincides with τ_s .

Definition 1. A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is said to be δ -preopen [10] (resp. preopen [7]) if $A \subset Int(Cl_\delta(A))$ (resp. $A \subset Int(Cl(A))$).

The complement of a δ -preopen (resp. preopen) set is said to be δ -preclosed (resp. preclosed). The family of all δ -preopen (resp. δ -preclosed, preopen, preclosed) sets in a topological space (X, τ) is denoted by $\delta PO(X, \tau)$ (resp. $\delta PC(X, \tau)$, $PO(X, \tau)$, $PC(X, \tau)$).

Definition 2. Let A be a subset of a topological space (X, τ) . The intersection of all δ -preclosed (resp. preclosed) sets containing A is called the δ -preclosure [10] (resp. preclosure [3]) of A and is denoted by $pCl_\delta(A)$ (resp. $pCl(A)$).

Definition 3. Let (X, τ) be a topological space. A subset U of X is called a (δ, p) -neighbourhood of a point $x \in X$ if there exists a δ -preopen set V such that $x \in V \subseteq U$.

In [3], basic properties of the preclosure are obtained. Moreover, for the δ -preclosure the following properties are shown in [10]:

Lemma 2.1. (Raychaudhuri and Mukherjee [10]). *For the δ -preclosure of subsets A, B in a topological space (X, τ) , the following properties hold:*

- (1) A is δ -preclosed in (X, τ) if and only if $A = pCl_\delta(A)$,
- (2) If $A \subset B$, then $pCl_\delta(A) \subset pCl_\delta(B)$,
- (3) $pCl_\delta(A)$ is δ -preclosed, that is, $pCl_\delta(A) = pCl_\delta(pCl_\delta(A))$,
- (4) $x \in pCl_\delta(A)$ if and only if $A \cap V \neq \emptyset$ for every $V \in \delta PO(X, \tau)$ containing x .

Lemma 2.2. *For a family $\{A_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \Delta\}$ of subsets a topological space (X, τ) , the following properties hold:*

- (1) $pCl_\delta(\cap\{A_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\}) \subset \cap\{pCl_\delta(A_\alpha) : \alpha \in \Delta\}$.
- (2) $pCl_\delta(\cup\{A_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\}) \supset \cup\{pCl_\delta(A_\alpha) : \alpha \in \Delta\}$.

Proof. (1) Since $\cap_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_\alpha \subset A_\alpha$ for each $\alpha \in \Delta$, by Lemma 2.1 we have $pCl_\delta(\cap_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_\alpha) \subset pCl_\delta(A_\alpha)$ for each $\alpha \in \Delta$ and hence $pCl_\delta(\cap_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_\alpha) \subset \cap_{\alpha \in \Delta} pCl_\delta(A_\alpha)$.

(2) Since $A_\alpha \subset \cup_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_\alpha$ for each $\alpha \in \Delta$, by Lemma 2.1 we have $pCl_\delta(A_\alpha) \subset pCl_\delta(\cup_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_\alpha)$ and hence $\cup_{\alpha \in \Delta} pCl_\delta(A_\alpha) \subset pCl_\delta(\cup_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_\alpha)$.

Lemma 2.3. (Veličko [13]). *For a subset A of a topological space (X, τ) , the following properties hold:*

- (1) If A is open in (X, τ) , then $Cl_\delta(A) = Cl(A)$,
- (2) If A is closed in (X, τ) , then $Int_\delta(A) = Int(A)$.

Lemma 2.4. *Let A be a subset of a topological space (X, τ) . Then the following properties hold:*

- (1) If A is preopen in (X, τ) , then it is δ -preopen in (X, τ) ,

- (2) A is δ -preopen in (X, τ) if and only if it is preopen in (X, τ_s) ,
 (3) A is δ -preclosed in (X, τ) if and only if it is preclosed in (X, τ_s) .

Proof. (1) This is obvious since $Cl(A) \subset Cl_\delta(A)$ for any subset A of X .

(2) Since $Cl_\delta(A)$ is closed in (X, τ) , this property follows from Lemma 2.3 and the fact that $Int(Cl_\delta(A)) = Int_\delta(Cl_\delta(A)) = \tau_s-Int(\tau_s-Cl(A))$, where $\tau_s-Int(A)$ (resp. $\tau_s-Cl(A)$) denotes the interior (resp. the closure) of A in the space (X, τ_s) .

(3) This is obvious by (2).

Lemma 2.5. (Maki et al. [6]). *Let (X, τ) be a topological space. For each point $x \in X$, $\{x\}$ is preopen or preclosed.*

3. $D_{(\delta,p)}$ -sets and associated separation axioms.

Definition 4. A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is called a $D_{(\delta,p)}$ -set (resp. D_p -set [1, 4]) if there are two $U, V \in \delta PO(X, \tau)$ (resp. $PO(X, \tau)$) such that $U \neq X$ and $A=U \setminus V$.

It is true that every δ -preopen (resp. preopen) set U different from X is a $D_{(\delta,p)}$ -set (resp. D_p -set) if $A=U$ and $V=\emptyset$.

Definition 5. A topological space (X, τ) is said to be

- (1) (δ, p) - D_0 (resp. pre- D_0 [1, 4]) if for any distinct pair of points x and y of X there exist a $D_{(\delta,p)}$ -set (resp. D_p -set) of X containing x but not y or a $D_{(\delta,p)}$ -set (resp. D_p -set) of X containing y but not x ,
 (2) (δ, p) - D_1 (resp. pre- D_1 [1, 4]) if for any distinct pair of points x and y of X there exist a $D_{(\delta,p)}$ -set (resp. D_p -sets) of X containing x but not y and a $D_{(\delta,p)}$ -set (resp. D_p -set) of X containing y but not x ,

- (3) (δ, p) - D_2 (resp. pre- D_2 [1, 4]) if for any distinct pair of points x and y of X there exists disjoint $D_{(\delta, p)}$ -sets (resp. D_p -sets) G and E of X containing x and y , respectively.

Definition 6. A topological space (X, τ) is said to be

- (1) (δ, p) - T_0 (resp. pre- T_0 [5, 8]) if for any distinct pair of points x and y in X , there exist a δ -preopen (resp. preopen) set U in X containing x but not y or a δ -preopen (resp. preopen) set V in X containing y but not x ,
- (2) (δ, p) - T_1 (resp. pre- T_1 [5, 8]) if for any distinct pair of points x and y in X , there exist a δ -preopen (resp. preopen) set U in X containing x but not y and a δ -preopen (resp. preopen) set V in X containing y but not x ,
- (3) (δ, p) - T_2 (resp. pre- T_2 [5, 8]) if for any distinct pair of points x and y in X , there exist δ -preopen (resp. preopen) sets U and V in X containing x and y , respectively, such that $U \cap V = \emptyset$.

Remark 3.1.

- (i) If (X, τ) is (δ, p) - T_i , then it is (δ, p) - T_{i-1} , $i = 1, 2$.
- (ii) If (X, τ) is (δ, p) - T_i , then (X, τ) is (δ, p) - D_i for $i = 0, 1, 2$.
- (iii) If (X, τ) is (δ, p) - D_i , then it is (δ, p) - D_{i-1} , $i = 1, 2$.

By Remark 3.1, we have the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \text{pre-}T_2 & \rightarrow & (\delta, p)\text{-}T_2 & \rightarrow & (\delta, p)\text{-}D_2 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \text{pre-}T_1 & \rightarrow & (\delta, p)\text{-}T_1 & \rightarrow & (\delta, p)\text{-}D_1 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \text{pre-}T_0 & \rightarrow & (\delta, p)\text{-}T_0 & \rightarrow & (\delta, p)\text{-}D_0
 \end{array}$$

Theorem 3.2. For a topological space (X, τ) , the following properties hold:

- (1) (X, τ) is (δ, p) - D_2 (resp. (δ, p) - D_1) if and only if (X, τ_s) is pre- D_2 (resp. pre- D_1),
- (2) (X, τ) is (δ, p) - T_2 (resp. (δ, p) - T_1) if and only if (X, τ_s) is pre- T_2 (resp. pre- T_1).

Proof. This follows easily from Lemma 2.4(2).

Theorem 3.3. *For a topological space (X, τ) , the following statements are true: (X, τ) is (δ, p) - D_1 (resp. pre- D_1) if and only if it is (δ, p) - D_2 (resp. pre- D_2).*

Proof. We prove only the first statement, the second being given in [1, 4].

Sufficiency. This follows from Remark 3.1(3).

Necessity. Suppose X is a (δ, p) - D_1 . Then for each distinct pair $x, y \in X$, we have $D_{(\delta, p)}$ -sets G_1, G_2 such that $x \in G_1, y \notin G_1; y \in G_2, x \notin G_2$. Let $G_1 = U_1 \setminus U_2, G_2 = U_3 \setminus U_4$. From $x \notin G_2$ we have either $x \notin U_3$ or $x \in U_3$ and $x \in U_4$. We discuss the two cases separately.

(1) $x \notin U_3$. From $y \notin G_1$ we have two subcases:

(a) $y \notin U_1$. From $x \in U_1 \setminus U_2$ we have $x \in U_1 \setminus (U_2 \cup U_3)$ and from $y \in U_3 \setminus U_4$ we have $y \in U_3 \setminus (U_1 \cup U_4)$. It is easy to see that $(U_1 \setminus (U_2 \cup U_3)) \cap (U_3 \setminus (U_1 \cup U_4)) = \emptyset$.

(b) $y \in U_1$ and $y \in U_2$. We have $x \in U_1 \setminus U_2, y \in U_2$ and $(U_1 \setminus U_2) \cap U_2 = \emptyset$.

(2) $x \in U_3$ and $x \in U_4$. We have $y \in U_3 \setminus U_4, x \in U_4$ and $(U_3 \setminus U_4) \cap U_4 = \emptyset$.

From the discussion above we know that the space X is (δ, p) - D_2 .

Definition 7. A point $x \in X$ which has only X as the (δ, p) -neighborhood is called a (δ, p) -neat point.

Theorem 3.4. *For a topological space (X, τ) , the following properties are equivalent:*

- (1) (X, τ) is (δ, p) - D_1 ;
- (2) (X, τ) has no (δ, p) -neat point.

Proof. (1) \rightarrow (2). Since (X, τ) is (δ, p) - D_1 , so each point x of X is contained in a $D_{(\delta, p)}$ -set $O=U \setminus V$ and thus in U . By definition $U \neq X$. This implies that x is not a (δ, p) -neat point.

(2) \rightarrow (1). By Lemma 2.5 for each distinct pair of points $x, y \in X$, at least one of them, x (say) has a (δ, p) -neighborhood U containing x and not y . Thus U which is different from X is a $D_{(\delta, p)}$ -set. If X has no (δ, p) -neat point, then y is not a (δ, p) -neat point. This means that there exists a (δ, p) -neighborhood V of y such that $V \neq X$. Thus $y \in (V \setminus U)$ but not x and $V \setminus U$ is a $D_{(\delta, p)}$ -set. Hence X is (δ, p) - D_1 .

Definition 8. A topological space (X, τ) is (δ, p) -symmetric if for x and y in X , $x \in pCl_\delta(\{y\})$ implies $y \in pCl_\delta(\{x\})$.

Theorem 3.5. *For a topological space (X, τ) , the following properties are equivalent:*

- (1) (X, τ) is (δ, p) -symmetric;
- (2) For each $x \in X$, $\{x\}$ is δ -preclosed;
- (3) (X, τ) is (δ, p) - T_1 .

Proof. (1) \rightarrow (2) : Let x be any point of X . Let y be any distinct point from x . By Lemma 2.5, $\{y\}$ is preopen or preclosed in (X, τ) .

(i) In case when $\{y\}$ is preopen, put $V_y = \{y\}$ then $V_y \in \delta PO(X, \tau)$. (ii) In case when $\{y\}$ is preclosed $x \notin \{y\} = pCl(\{y\})$ and $x \notin pCl_\delta(\{y\})$. By (1), $y \notin pCl_\delta(\{x\})$. Now put $V_y = X \setminus pCl_\delta(\{x\})$. Then $x \notin V_y$, $y \in V_y$ and $V_y \in \delta PO(X, \tau)$. Therefore, we obtain that for each $y \in X \setminus \{x\}$ there exists $V_y \in \delta PO(X, \tau)$ such that $x \notin V_y$, $y \in V_y \in \delta PO(X, \tau)$. Hence

$X \setminus \{x\} = \bigcup_{y \in X \setminus \{x\}} V_y \in \delta PO(X, \tau)$. This shows that $\{x\}$ is δ -preclosed in (X, τ) .

(2) \rightarrow (3) : Suppose $\{p\}$ is δ -preclosed for every $p \in X$. Let $x, y \in X$ with $x \neq y$. Now $x \neq y$ implies $y \in X \setminus \{x\}$. Hence $X \setminus \{x\}$ is a δ -preopen set containing y but not containing x . Similarly $X \setminus \{y\}$ is a δ -preopen set containing x but not containing y . Accordingly X is a (δ, p) - T_1 space.

(3) \rightarrow (1) : Suppose that $y \notin pCl_\delta(\{x\})$. Then, since $x \neq y$, by (3) there exists a δ -preopen set U containing x such that $y \notin U$ and hence $x \notin pCl_\delta(\{y\})$. This shows that $x \in pCl_\delta(\{y\})$ implies $y \in pCl_\delta(\{x\})$. Therefore, (X, τ) is (δ, p) -symmetric.

Definition 9. A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be

- (i) δ -precontinuous if for each $x \in X$ and each δ -preopen set V containing $f(x)$, there is a δ -preopen set U in X containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$,
- (ii) δ^* -almost-continuous [9] if $f^{-1}(V) \in \delta PO(X, \tau)$ for each $V \in \delta PO(Y, \tau)$,
- (iii) preirresolute [12] if $f^{-1}(V) \in PO(X, \tau)$ for each $V \in PO(Y, \tau)$.

Lemma 3.6. For a function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$, the following properties are equivalent:

- (i) f is δ -precontinuous;
- (ii) f is δ^* -almost-continuous;
- (iii) $f : (X, \tau_s) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_s)$ is preirresolute.

Theorem 3.7. If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is a δ -precontinuous surjective function and E is a $D_{(\delta, p)}$ -set in Y , then the inverse image $f^{-1}(E)$ is a $D_{(\delta, p)}$ -set in X .

Proof. Let E be a $D_{(\delta, p)}$ -set in Y . Then there are δ -preopen sets U_1 and U_2 in Y such that $E = U_1 \setminus U_2$ and $U_1 \neq Y$. By the δ -precontinuity of f , $f^{-1}(U_1)$ and $f^{-1}(U_2)$ are δ -preopen in X . Since $U_1 \neq Y$, we have $f^{-1}(U_1) \neq X$. Hence $f^{-1}(E) = f^{-1}(U_1) \setminus f^{-1}(U_2)$ is a $D_{(\delta, p)}$ -set.

Theorem 3.8. *If (Y, σ) is (δ, p) - D_1 and $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is a δ -precontinuous bijection, then (X, τ) is (δ, p) - D_1 .*

Proof. Suppose that Y is a (δ, p) - D_1 space. Let x and y be any pair of distinct points in X . Since f is injective and Y is (δ, p) - D_1 , there exist $D_{(\delta, p)}$ -sets G_x and G_y of Y containing $f(x)$ and $f(y)$, respectively, such that $f(y) \notin G_x$ and $f(x) \notin G_y$. By Theorem 3.7, $f^{-1}(G_x)$ and $f^{-1}(G_y)$ are $D_{(\delta, p)}$ -sets in X containing x and y , respectively, such that $y \notin f^{-1}(G_x)$ and $x \notin f^{-1}(G_y)$. This implies that X is a (δ, p) - D_1 space.

Theorem 3.9. *A topological space (X, τ) is (δ, p) - D_1 if and only if for each pair of distinct points $x, y \in X$, there exists a δ -precontinuous surjective function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ such that $f(x)$ and $f(y)$ are distinct, where (Y, σ) is a (δ, p) - D_1 space.*

Proof. Necessity. For every pair of distinct points of X , it suffices to take the identity function on X .

Sufficiency. Let x and y be any pair of distinct points in X . By hypothesis, there exists a δ -precontinuous, surjective function f of a space X onto a (δ, p) - D_1 space Y such that $f(x) \neq f(y)$. By Theorem 3.3, there exist disjoint $D_{(\delta, p)}$ -sets G_x and G_y in Y such that $f(x) \in G_x$ and $f(y) \in G_y$. Since f is δ -precontinuous and surjective, by Theorem 3.7, $f^{-1}(G_x)$ and $f^{-1}(G_y)$ are disjoint $D_{(\delta, p)}$ -sets in X containing x and y , respectively. Hence by Theorem 3.3, X is a (δ, p) - D_1 space.

4. Sober (δ, p) - R_0 spaces.

Definition 10. Let A be a subset of a topological space (X, τ) . The δ -prekernel (resp. prekernel) of A , denoted by $pKer_\delta(A)$ (resp. $pKer(A)$), is defined to be the set $pKer_\delta(A) = \cap\{O \in \delta PO(X, \tau) \mid A \subset O\}$ (resp. $pKer(A) = \cap\{O \in PO(X, \tau) \mid A \subset O\}$).

Lemma 4.1. *Let (X, τ) be a topological space and $x \in X$. Then*
 $pKer_\delta(A) = \{x \in X \mid pCl_\delta(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \emptyset\}$.

Proof. Let $x \in pKer_\delta(A)$ and suppose $pCl_\delta(\{x\}) \cap A = \emptyset$. Hence $x \notin X \setminus pCl_\delta(\{x\})$ which is a δ -preopen set containing A . This is absurd, since $x \in pKer_\delta(A)$. Consequently, $pCl_\delta(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \emptyset$. Next, let x be such that $pCl_\delta(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ and suppose that $x \notin pKer_\delta(A)$. Then, there exists a δ -preopen set D containing A and $x \notin D$. Let $y \in pCl_\delta(\{x\}) \cap A$. Hence, D is a (δ, p) -neighborhood of y which does not containing x . By this contradiction $x \in pKer_\delta(A)$ and the claim is shown.

Definition 11. A topological space (X, τ) is said to be sober (δ, p) - R_0 if $\bigcap_{x \in X} pCl_\delta(\{x\}) = \emptyset$.

Theorem 4.2. *A topological space (X, τ) is sober (δ, p) - R_0 if and only if $pKer_\delta(\{x\}) \neq X$ for every $x \in X$.*

Proof. Suppose that the space (X, τ) be sober (δ, p) - R_0 . Assume that there is a point y in X such that $pKer_\delta(\{y\}) = X$. Let x be any point of X . Then $x \in V$ for every δ -preopen set V containing y and hence $y \in pCl_\delta(\{x\})$ for any $x \in X$. This implies that $y \in \bigcap_{x \in X} pCl_\delta(\{x\})$. But this is a contradiction.

Now assume that $pKer_\delta(\{x\}) \neq X$ for every $x \in X$. If there exists a point y in X such that $y \in \bigcap_{x \in X} pCl_\delta(\{x\})$, then every δ -preopen set containing y must contain every point of X . This implies that the space X is the unique δ -preopen set containing y . Hence $pKer_\delta(\{y\}) = X$ which is a contradiction. Therefore (X, τ) is sober (δ, p) - R_0 .

Definition 12. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called δ -preclosed if the image of every δ -preclosed subset of X is δ -preclosed in Y .

Theorem 4.3. *If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is an injective δ -preclosed function and X is sober (δ, p) - R_0 , then Y is sober (δ, p) - R_0 .*

Proof. Since X is sober (δ, p) - R_0 , $\bigcap_{x \in X} pCl_\delta(\{x\}) = \emptyset$. Since f is a δ -preclosed injection, we have $\emptyset = f(\bigcap_{x \in X} pCl_\delta(\{x\})) = \bigcap_{x \in X} f(pCl_\delta(\{x\})) \supset \bigcap_{x \in X} pCl_\delta(\{f(x)\}) \supset \bigcap_{y \in Y} pCl_\delta(\{y\})$. Therefore, Y is sober (δ, p) - R_0 .

Theorem 4.4. *If a topological space X is sober (δ, p) - R_0 and Y is any topological space, then the product $X \times Y$ is sober (δ, p) - R_0 .*

Proof. we show that $\bigcap_{(x,y) \in X \times Y} pCl_\delta(\{(x, y)\}) = \emptyset$. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \bigcap_{(x,y) \in X \times Y} pCl_\delta(\{(x, y)\}) &\subset \bigcap_{(x,y) \in X \times Y} (pCl_\delta(\{x\}) \times pCl_\delta(\{y\})) \\ &= \bigcap_{x \in X} pCl_\delta(\{x\}) \times \bigcap_{y \in Y} pCl_\delta(\{y\}) \subset \emptyset \times Y = \emptyset. \end{aligned}$$

5. (δ, p) - R_0 spaces.

Definition 13. A topological space (X, τ) is said to be a (δ, p) - R_0 (resp. pre- R_0 [2]) if every δ -preopen (resp. preopen) set contains the δ -preclosure (resp. preclosure) of each of its singletons.

Theorem 5.1. *A topological space (X, τ) is (δ, p) - R_0 if and only if (X, τ_s) is pre- R_0 .*

Proof. By Lemma 2.4, we have the facts that: (i) a subset A of X is δ -preopen in (X, τ) if and only if A is preopen in (X, τ_s) ; (ii) for any $x \in X$, $pCl_\delta(\{x\}) = \bigcap \{F/x \in F \in \delta PC(X, \tau)\} = \bigcap \{F/x \in F \in PC(X, \tau_s)\} = \tau_s$ - $pCl(\{x\})$. The proof follows immediately from the facts stated above.

Theorem 5.2. *A topological space (X, τ) is (δ, p) - R_0 if and only if it is*

(δ, p) - T_1 .

Proof. Necessity. Let x and y be any distinct points of X . For any point $x \in X$, $\{x\}$ is preopen or preclosed by Lemma 2.5.

(i) In case when $\{x\}$ is preopen, let $V = \{x\}$ then $x \in V$, $y \notin V$ and $V \in \delta PO(X, \tau)$. Moreover, since (X, τ) is $(\delta, p) - R_0$, we have $pCl_\delta(\{x\}) \subset V$. Hence $x \notin X \setminus V$, $y \in X \setminus V$ and $X \setminus V \in \delta PO(X, \tau)$. (ii) in case when $\{x\}$ is preclosed, $y \in X \setminus \{x\}$ and $X \setminus \{x\} \in \delta PO(X, \tau)$. Hence since (X, τ) is (δ, p) - R_0 , $pCl_\delta(\{y\}) \subset X \setminus \{x\}$. Now, let $V = X \setminus pCl_\delta(\{y\})$, then $x \in V$, $y \notin V$ and $V \in \delta PO(X, \tau)$. Then, we obtain that (X, τ) is (δ, p) - T_1 .

Sufficiency. Let V be any δ -preopen set of (X, τ) and $x \in V$. For each $y \in X \setminus V$, there exists $V_y \in \delta PO(X, \tau)$ such that $x \notin V_y$ and $y \in V_y$. Therefore, we have $pCl_\delta(\{x\}) \cap V_y = \emptyset$ for each $y \in X \setminus V$ and hence $pCl_\delta(\{x\}) \cap (\bigcup_{y \in X \setminus V} V_y) = \emptyset$. Since $y \in V_y$, $X \setminus V \subset \bigcup_{y \in X \setminus V} V_y$ and $pCl_\delta(\{x\}) \cap (X \setminus V) = \emptyset$. This implies that $pCl_\delta(\{x\}) \subset V$. Hence (X, τ) is (δ, p) - R_0 .

Corollary 5.3. *For a topological space (X, τ) , the following properties are equivalent:*

- (1) (X, τ) is (δ, p) - R_0 ;
- (2) (X, τ) is (δ, p) - T_1 ;
- (3) (X, τ) is (δ, p) -symmetric.

Proof. This is an immediate consequence of Theorems 3.5 and 5.2.

Remark 5.4. Observe that by using Theorem 3.5 and Corollary 5.3, we have: (X, τ) is (δ, p) - R_0 if and only if for each $x \in X$, $\{x\}$ is δ -preclosed.

Corollary 5.5. *Every (δ, p) - R_0 space (X, τ) is sober (δ, p) - R_0 , where we suppose that X has at least two points.*

Proof. Let x and y be any distinct points of X . Since (X, τ) is (δ, p) - R_0 , by Theorem 5.2 it is (δ, p) - T_1 . Hence by Theorem 3.5 $pCl_\delta(\{x\}) = \{x\}$ and $pCl_\delta(\{y\}) = \{y\}$ and hence we obtain $\bigcap_{p \in X} pCl_\delta(\{p\}) \subset pCl_\delta(\{x\}) \cap pCl_\delta(\{y\}) = \{x\} \cap \{y\} = \emptyset$. This shows that (X, τ) is sober (δ, p) - R_0 .

As we have stated above, the following properties hold:

$\delta PO(X, \tau) = PO(X, \tau_s)$, $\delta PC(X, \tau) = PC(X, \tau_s)$, $pCl_\delta(\{x\}) = \tau_s$ - $pCl(\{x\})$ and $pKer_\delta(\{x\}) = \tau_s$ - $pKer(\{x\})$ for each point x of a topological space (X, τ) . Therefore, we obtain the following important characterizations of (δ, p) - R_0 spaces which are modifications of theorems obtained in [2].

Question 5.6. *Is there any example showing that the converse of Corollary 5.5 is not true?*

Theorem 5.7. *For a topological space (X, τ) , the following properties are equivalent :*

- (1) (X, τ) is a (δ, p) - R_0 space;
- (2) For any nonempty set A and $G \in \delta PO(X, \tau)$ such that $A \cap G \neq \emptyset$, there exists $F \in \delta PC(X, \tau)$ such that $A \cap F \neq \emptyset$ and $F \subset G$;
- (3) Any $G \in \delta PO(X, \tau)$, $G = \cup\{F \in \delta PC(X, \tau) \mid F \subset G\}$;
- (4) Any $F \in \delta PC(X, \tau)$, $F = \cap\{G \in \delta PO(X, \tau) \mid F \subset G\}$;
- (5) For any $x \in X$, $pCl_\delta(\{x\}) \subset pKer_\delta(\{x\})$.

Theorem 5.8. *For a topological space (X, τ) , the following properties are equivalent:*

- (1) (X, τ) is a (δ, p) - R_0 space;
- (2) If F is δ -preclosed, then $F = pKer_\delta(F)$;
- (3) If F is δ -preclosed and $x \in F$, then $pKer_\delta(\{x\}) \subset F$;
- (4) If $x \in X$, then $pKer_\delta(\{x\}) \subset pCl_\delta(\{x\})$.

6. (δ, p) - R_1 spaces.

Definition 14. A topological space (X, τ) is said to be (δ, p) - R_1 if for x, y in X with $pCl_\delta(\{x\}) \neq pCl_\delta(\{y\})$, there exist disjoint δ -preopen sets U and V such that $pCl_\delta(\{x\})$ is a subset of U and $pCl_\delta(\{y\})$ is a subset of V .

Definition 15. A topological space (X, τ) is said to be pre- R_1 [2] if for x, y in X with $pCl(\{x\}) \neq pCl(\{y\})$, there exist disjoint preopen sets U and V such that $pCl(\{x\})$ is a subset of U and $pCl(\{y\})$ is a subset of V .

Theorem 6.1. *A topological space (X, τ) is (δ, p) - R_1 if and only if (X, τ_s) is pre- R_1 .*

Proof. This follows from the facts that $\delta PO(X, \tau) = PO(X, \tau_s)$ and $pCl_\delta(\{x\}) = \tau_s$ - $pCl(\{x\})$ for each $x \in X$.

Theorem 6.2. *A topological space (X, τ) is (δ, p) - R_1 if and only if it is (δ, p) - T_2 .*

Proof. Necessity. Let x and y be any distinct points of X . By Lemma 2.5, each point x of X is preopen or preclosed.

- (i) In case when $\{x\}$ is preopen, since $\{x\} \cap \{y\} = \emptyset$, $\{x\} \cap pCl_\delta(\{y\}) \subset \{x\} \cap pCl(\{y\}) = \emptyset$, and hence $pCl_\delta(\{x\}) \neq pCl_\delta(\{y\})$.
- (ii) In case when $\{x\}$ is preclosed, $pCl_\delta(\{x\}) \cap \{y\} \subset pCl(\{x\}) \cap \{y\} = \{x\} \cap \{y\} = \emptyset$ and hence $pCl_\delta(\{x\}) \neq pCl_\delta(\{y\})$. Since (X, τ) is (δ, p) - R_1 , there exist disjoint δ -preopen sets U and V such that $x \in pCl_\delta(\{x\}) \subset U$ and $y \in pCl_\delta(\{y\}) \subset V$. This shows that (X, τ) is (δ, p) - T_2 .

Sufficiency. Let x and y be any points of X such that $pCl_\delta(\{x\}) \neq pCl_\delta(\{y\})$. By Remark 3.1, every (δ, p) - T_2 space is (δ, p) - T_1 . Therefore, by Theorem 3.5 $pCl_\delta(\{x\}) = \{x\}$ and $pCl_\delta(\{y\}) = \{y\}$ and hence $x \neq y$. Since (X, τ) is (δ, p) - T_2 , there exist disjoint δ -preopen sets U and V such that

$pCl_\delta(\{x\}) = \{x\} \subset U$ and $pCl_\delta(\{y\}) = \{y\} \subset V$. This shows that (X, τ) is (δ, p) - R_1 .

Corollary 6.3. *Every (δ, p) - R_1 space (X, τ) is (δ, p) - R_0 .*

Proof. Since every (δ, p) - T_2 space is (δ, p) - T_1 , this is an immediate consequence of Theorems 5.2 and 6.2.

Example 6.4. The converse of Corollary 6.3 need not be true. Let the set X be the union of any infinite set N and two distinct one point sets x_1 and x_2 . If we topologize X by taking any subset of N open and taking any set containing x_1 and x_2 open if and only if it contains all but a finite number of points in N , then X is (δ, p) - R_0 but not (δ, p) - R_1 .

Also take X to be $R \times R$, where R is the set of real numbers. Let τ consists of \emptyset and all subsets of X whose complements are subsets of a finite number of lines parallel to the x -axis. Then this space is (δ, p) - R_0 but not (δ, p) - R_1 .

The following theorem is a modification of Theorem 4.3 in [2].

Theorem 6.5. *For a topological space (X, τ) , the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1) (X, τ) is a (δ, p) - R_1 ;
- (2) If $x, y \in X$ such that $pCl_\delta(\{x\}) \neq pCl_\delta(\{y\})$, then there exists δ -preclosed sets F_1 and F_2 such that $x \in F_1, y \notin F_1, y \in F_2, x \notin F_2$ and $X = F_1 \cup F_2$.

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