

Further properties of (γ, γ') -preopen sets

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ABSTRACT. In [Carpintero, C., Rajesh, N. and Rosas, E., *On a class of (γ, γ') -preopen sets in a topological space*, Fasciculi Mathematici, **46** (2011), 25–36], the authors introduced the notion of (γ, γ') -preopenness and investigated its fundamental properties. In this paper, we investigate some more properties of this type of open set.

1. INTRODUCTION

Generalized open sets play a very important role in General Topology and they are now the research topics of many topologists worldwide. Indeed a significant theme in General Topology and Real Analysis concerns the various modified forms of continuity, separation axioms etc. by utilizing generalized open sets. Kasahara [2] defined the concept of an operation on topological spaces and introduce the concept of γ -closed graphs of a function. Umehara et. al. [4] introduced the notion of $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')}$ which is the collection of all (γ, γ') -open sets in a topological space (X, τ) . In [1] the authors, introduced the notion of (γ, γ') -preopenness and investigated its fundamental properties. In this paper, we investigate some more properties of this type of open set.

2. PRELIMINARIES

Definition 2.1. Let (X, τ) be a topological space. An operation (γ, γ') [2] on the topology τ is function from τ on to power set $\mathcal{P}(X)$ of X such that $V \subset V^\gamma$ for each $V \in \tau$, where V^γ denotes the value of γ at V . It is denoted by $\gamma : \tau \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$.

Definition 2.2. Let (X, τ) be a topological space. An operation γ on τ is said to be regular [2] if for every open neighborhood U and V of each $x \in X$, there exists an open neighborhood W of x such that $U^\gamma \cap V^\gamma \supset W^\gamma$.

Definition 2.3. A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is said to be (γ, γ') -open set [4] if for each $x \in A$ there exist open neighborhoods U and V of x such that $U^\gamma \cup V^{\gamma'} \subset A$. The complement of (γ, γ') -open set is called (γ, γ') -closed. $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')}$ denotes set of all (γ, γ') -open sets in (X, τ) .

Definition 2.4. [4] Let A be subset of a topological space (X, τ) and γ, γ' be operations on τ . Then

- (i) the $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')}$ -closure of A is defined as intersection of all (γ, γ') -closed sets containing A . That is, $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(A) = \{F : F \text{ is } (\gamma, \gamma')\text{-closed and } A \subset F\}$.
- (ii) the $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')}$ -interior of A is defined as union of all (γ, γ') -open sets contained in A . That is, $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(A) = \{U : U \text{ is } (\gamma, \gamma')\text{-open and } U \subset A\}$.

Definition 2.5. A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is said to be

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- (i) (γ, γ') -regular open [3] if $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(A)) = A$.
- (ii) (γ, γ') -preopen [1] if $A \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(A))$.
- (iii) (γ, γ') -dense [1] if $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(A) = X$.

The complement of a (γ, γ') -preopen set is called a (γ, γ') -preclosed set. The family of all (γ, γ') -preopen (resp. (γ, γ') -preclosed) sets of (X, τ) is denoted by (γ, γ') - $PO(X)$ (resp. (γ, γ') - $PC(X)$). The family of all (γ, γ') -preopen sets of (X, τ) containing the point x is denoted by (γ, γ') - $PO(X, x)$.

Definition 2.6. [1] Let A be subset of a topological space (X, τ) and γ, γ' be operations on τ . Then

- (i) the $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')}$ -preclosure of A is defined as intersection of all (γ, γ') -preclosed sets containing A . That is, $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(A) = \{F : F \text{ is } (\gamma, \gamma')\text{-preclosed and } A \subset F\}$.
- (ii) the $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')}$ -preinterior of A is defined as union of all (γ, γ') -preopen sets contained in A . That is, $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Int}(A) = \{U : U \text{ is } (\gamma, \gamma')\text{-preopen and } U \subset A\}$.

Theorem 2.1. [1] Let A be subset of a topological space (X, τ) and γ, γ' be operations on τ . Then

- (i) A is (γ, γ') -preopen if and only if $A = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Int}(A)$.
- (ii) A point $x \in \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(A)$ if and only if $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$ for every $U \in (\gamma, \gamma')$ - $PO(X, x)$.
- (iii) $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(A)$ is the smallest (γ, γ') -preclosed subset of X containing A .
- (iv) A is (γ, γ') -preclosed if and only if $A = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(A)$.
- (v) $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Int}(X \setminus A) = X \setminus \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(A)$.
- (vi) $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(X \setminus A) = X \setminus \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Int}(A)$.

Definition 2.7. [1] Let (X, τ) be a topological space and γ, γ' be operations on τ . Then a subset A of X is said to be (γ, γ') -pre g.closed (written as (γ, γ') -pg.closed) set if $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(A) \subset U$ whenever $A \subset U$ and U is (γ, γ') -preopen.

Theorem 2.2. [1] Let (X, τ) be a topological space and γ, γ' be operations on τ . Then subset A of X is (γ, γ') -pg.closed, then $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(A) \setminus A$ does not contain any nonempty (γ, γ') -preclosed set.

3. PROPERTIES OF (γ, γ') -PREOPEN SETS

Through this paper, the operators γ and γ' are defined on (X, τ) and the operators β and β' are defined on (Y, σ) .

Theorem 3.3. For any subset of a space (X, τ) the following are equivalent:

- (i) $S \in (\gamma, \gamma')$ - $PO(X)$.
- (ii) There is a (γ, γ') -regular open set $G \subset X$ such that $S \subset G$ and $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(S) = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(G)$.
- (iii) S is the intersection of a (γ, γ') -regular open set and a (γ, γ') -dense set.
- (iv) S is the intersection of a (γ, γ') -open set and a (γ, γ') -dense set.

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii): Let $S \in (\gamma, \gamma')$ - $PO(X)$. Then $S \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(S))$. Let $G = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(S)$. Then G is (γ, γ') -regular open with $S \subset G$ and $S = G$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii): Let $D = S \cup (X \setminus G)$. Then D is (γ, γ') -dense and $S = G \cap D$.

(iii) \Rightarrow (iv): This is trivial.

(iv) \Rightarrow (i): Suppose $S = G \cap D$ with G is (γ, γ') -open and D (γ, γ') -dense. Then $S = G$, hence $S \subset G \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(G) = S$. \square

Theorem 3.4. If every subset of X is either (γ, γ') -open or (γ, γ') -closed, then every (γ, γ') -preopen set in X is (γ, γ') -open.

Proof. Let A be a (γ, γ') -preopen in X . If A is not (γ, γ') -open, then A is (γ, γ') -closed by hypothesis. Hence $A = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(A)$, and $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(A)) = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(A)$ is a proper subset of A . Thus, $A \not\subseteq \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(A))$, so that A is not (γ, γ') -preopen, contradiction. \square

Theorem 3.5. *Let (X, τ) be a topological space in which every (γ, γ') -preopen set in X is (γ, γ') -open. Then each singleton in X is either (γ, γ') -open or (γ, γ') -closed.*

Proof. Let $x \in X$, and suppose that $\{x\}$ is not (γ, γ') -open. Then $\{x\}$ is not (γ, γ') -preopen. Hence $\{x\} \not\subseteq \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(\{x\}))$, so that $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(\{x\})) = \emptyset$. We have that $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(X \setminus \{x\})) \supset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(X \setminus (\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(\{x\}))) = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(X \setminus (\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(\{x\})))) = X \supset X \setminus \{x\}$. Thus, $X \setminus \{x\}$ is (γ, γ') -preopen and hence (γ, γ') -open. Therefore, $\{x\}$ is (γ, γ') -closed. \square

Theorem 3.6. *For a topological space (X, τ) and γ, γ' be regular operations on τ , the following are equivalent:*

- (i) *Every (γ, γ') -preopen set is (γ, γ') -open.*
- (ii) *Every (γ, γ') -dense set is (γ, γ') -open.*

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii): Let A be a (γ, γ') -dense subset of X . Then $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(A)) = X$, so that $A \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(A))$ and A is (γ, γ') -preopen. Hence A is (γ, γ') -open.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i): Let B be a (γ, γ') -preopen subset of X , so that $B \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(B)) = G$, say. hen $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(B) = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(G)$, so that $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(X \setminus G) \cup B = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(X \setminus G) \cup \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(B) = (X \setminus G) \cup \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(G) = X$, and thus $(X \setminus G) \cup B$ is (γ, γ') -dense in X . Thus, $(X \setminus G) \cup B$ is (γ, γ') -open. Now, $B = (X \setminus G) \cup B \cap G$, the intersection of two (γ, γ') -open sets is (γ, γ') -open ([4], Proposition 2.7), so that B is (γ, γ') -open. \square

Theorem 3.7. *(X, τ) is a topological space in which every subset is (γ, γ') -preopen if and only if every (γ, γ') -open set in (X, τ) is (γ, γ') -closed.*

Proof. Let G be (γ, γ') -open. Then $X \setminus G = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(X \setminus G)$ which is (γ, γ') -preopen, so that $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(X \setminus G) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(X \setminus G))) = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(X \setminus G)) = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(X \setminus G)$. Thus, $X \setminus G = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(X \setminus G)$, so that $X \setminus G$ is (γ, γ') -open, and G is (γ, γ') -closed. Conversely, let A be any subset of X . Then $X \setminus \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(A)$ is (γ, γ') -open, and hence (γ, γ') -closed. Thus, $X \setminus \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(A) = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(X \setminus \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(A)) = X \setminus \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(A))$, so that $A \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(A) = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(A))$, and hence A is (γ, γ') -preopen. \square

Theorem 3.8. *Let (X, τ) be a topological space, G be a (γ, γ') -open subset of X and b be a point of $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(G) \setminus G$. Then $\{b\}$ is not (γ, γ') -preopen in (X, τ) .*

Proof. Suppose $\{b\}$ is (γ, γ') -preopen, so that $\{b\} \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(\{b\}))$. Thus, $G \cap \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(\{b\})) \neq \emptyset$. Let $c \in G \cap \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(\{b\}))$, so $c \in \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(\{b\})$ and hence $\{b\} \cap (G \cap \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(\{b\}))) \neq \emptyset$. This contradicts the fact that $\{b\} \cap G = \emptyset$. Hence $\{b\}$ is not (γ, γ') -preopen. \square

Theorem 3.9. *Let (X, τ) be a topological space, G be a (γ, γ') -regular open subset of X and b be a point of $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(G) \setminus G$. Then $G \cup \{b\}$ is not (γ, γ') -preopen in (X, τ) .*

Proof. We have, since $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(\{b\}) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(G)$, so that $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(G \cup \{b\})) = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(G) \cup \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(\{b\})) = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(G)) = G$, and thus $G \cup \{b\} \not\subseteq \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(G \cup \{b\}))$. Hence $G \cup \{b\}$ is not (γ, γ') -preopen. \square

Theorem 3.10. *Let (X, τ) be a topological space. Then every singleton of X is either (γ, γ') -open or (γ, γ') -preclosed.*

Proof. If $\{x\}$ is not (γ, γ') -open, then $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\{x\}) = \emptyset$. Thus, $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Cl}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-Int}(\{x\})) = \emptyset$; hence $\{x\}$ is (γ, γ') -preclosed. The proof of the second part is straightforward. \square

Theorem 3.11. *If A is a (γ, γ') -preopen and (γ, γ') -pg.closed subset of (X, τ) , then A is (γ, γ') -preclosed.*

Proof. Since A is (γ, γ') -preopen and (γ, γ') -pg.closed, $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(A) \subset A$ and hence $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(A) = A$. This implies that A is (γ, γ') -preclosed by Theorem 2.1 (iv). \square

Theorem 3.12. *If A is a (γ, γ') -pg.closed subset of (X, τ) such that $A \subset B \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(A)$, then B is also (γ, γ') -pg.closed subset of (X, τ) .*

Proof. Let U be a (γ, γ') -preopen set in (X, τ) such that $B \subset U$. Then $A \subset U$. Since A is (γ, γ') -pg.closed, then $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(A) \subset U$. Now, since $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(A)$ is (γ, γ') -preclosed, $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(B) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(A)) = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(A) \subset U$. Therefore, B is also a (γ, γ') -pg.closed. \square

Theorem 3.13. *A set A in a topological space (X, τ) is (γ, γ') -pg.open if and only if $F \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Int}(A)$ whenever F is (γ, γ') -preclosed in (X, τ) and $F \subset A$.*

Proof. Let A be (γ, γ') -pg.open. Let F be (γ, γ') -preclosed and $F \subset A$. Then $X \setminus A \subset X \setminus F$, where $X \setminus F$ is (γ, γ') -preopen. (γ, γ') -pg.closedness of $X \setminus A$ implies $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(X \setminus A) \subset X \setminus F$. By Theorem 2.1, $X \setminus \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Int}(A) \subset X \setminus F$. That is, $F \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Int}(A)$. Conversely, Suppose if F is (γ, γ') -preclosed and $F \subset A$ implies $F \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Int}(A)$. Let $X \setminus A \subset U$ where U is (γ, γ') -preopen. Then $X \setminus U \subset A$ where $X \setminus U$ is (γ, γ') -preclosed. By supposition, $X \setminus U \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Int}(A)$. That is, $X \setminus \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Int}(A) \subset U$. By Theorem 2.1, $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(X \setminus A) \subset U$. This implies $X \setminus A$ is (γ, γ') -pg.closed and hence A is (γ, γ') -pg.open. \square

Theorem 3.14. *If $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Int}(A) \subset B \subset A$ and A is (γ, γ') -pg.open, then B is (γ, γ') -pg.open.*

Proof. Easily follows from Theorems 2.1 and 3.12. \square

Theorem 3.15. *If a set A is (γ, γ') -pg.open in a topological space (X, τ) , then $G = X$ whenever G is (γ, γ') -preopen in (X, τ) and $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Int}(A) \cup X \setminus A \subset G$.*

Proof. Suppose that G is (γ, γ') -preopen and $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Int}(A) \cup X \setminus A \subset G$. Now $X \setminus G \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(X \setminus A) \cap A = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(X \setminus A) \setminus X \setminus A$. Since $X \setminus G$ is (γ, γ') -preclosed and $X \setminus A$ is (γ, γ') -pg.closed, by Theorem 2.2, $X \setminus G = \emptyset$ and hence $G = X$. \square

Proposition 3.1. *Let (X, τ) be a topological space and $A, B \subset X$. If B is (γ, γ') -pg.open and if $A \supset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Int}(B)$, then $A \cap B$ is (γ, γ') -pg.open.*

Proof. Since B is (γ, γ') -pg.open and $A \supset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Int}(B)$, $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Int}(B) \subset A \cap B \subset B$. By Theorem 3.14, $A \cap B$ is (γ, γ') -pg.open. \square

Proposition 3.2. *Let the family (γ, γ') -PO(X) of all (γ, γ') -preopen subsets of (X, τ) be closed under finite intersections i.e., let (γ, γ') -PO(X) be the topology on X . If A and B are (γ, γ') -pg.open in (X, τ) , then $A \cap B$ is (γ, γ') -pg.open.*

Proof. Let $X \setminus (A \cap B) = (X \setminus A) \cup (X \setminus B) \subset U$, where U is (γ, γ') -preopen. Then $X \setminus A \subset U$ and $X \setminus B \subset U$. Since A and B are (γ, γ') -pg.open, $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(X \setminus A) \subset U$ and $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(X \setminus B) \subset U$. By hypothesis, $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}((X \setminus A) \cup (X \setminus B)) = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(X \setminus A) \cup \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(X \setminus B) \subset U$. That is, $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(X \setminus (A \cap B)) \subset U$. This shows that $A \cap B$ is (γ, γ') -pg.open. \square

Theorem 3.16. *If $A \subset X$ is (γ, γ') -pg.closed, then $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(A) \setminus A$ is (γ, γ') -pg.open.*

Proof. Let A be (γ, γ') -pg.closed. Let F be a (γ, γ') -preclosed set such that $F \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(A) \setminus A$. Then by Theorem 2.2 $F = \emptyset$. So, $F \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(A) \setminus A)$. This shows $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(A) \setminus A$ is (γ, γ') -pg.open. \square

Definition 3.8. A topological space (X, τ) with operations γ and γ' on τ is called (γ, γ') -preregular if for each (γ, γ') -preclosed set F of X not containing x , there exists disjoint (γ, γ') -preopen sets U and V such that $x \in U$ and $F \subset V$.

The following examples show that regularity and (γ, γ') -preregularity are independent concepts.

Example 3.1. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and τ be the discrete topology on X . Let $\gamma : \tau \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ and $\gamma' : \tau \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ be operations defined as follows: for every $A \in \tau$

$$A^\gamma = \begin{cases} \{a\} & \text{if } A = \{a\}, \\ A \cup \{c\} & \text{if } A \neq \{a\} \end{cases}$$

$$A^{\gamma'} = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } A \neq \{a\}, \\ \text{Cl}(A) & \text{if } A = \{a\}. \end{cases}$$

Then this space regular but not (γ, γ') -preregular.

Example 3.2. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$. Let $\gamma : \tau \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ and $\gamma' : \tau \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ be operations defined as follows: for every $A \in \tau$

$$A^\gamma = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } a \in A, \\ A \cup \{a\} & \text{if } a \notin A. \end{cases}$$

$$A^{\gamma'} = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } c \in A, \\ A \cup \{c\} & \text{if } c \notin A. \end{cases}$$

Then this space (γ, γ') -preregular but not regular.

Theorem 3.17. *The following are equivalent for a topological space (X, τ) with operations γ and γ' on τ :*

- (i) X is (γ, γ') -preregular.
- (ii) For each $x \in X$ and each $U \in (\gamma, \gamma')$ -PO(X, x), there exists a $V \in (\gamma, \gamma')$ -PO(X, x) such that $x \in V \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(V) \subset U$.
- (iii) For each (γ, γ') -preclosed set F of X , $\cap \{\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(V) : F \subset V, V \in (\gamma, \gamma')$ -PO($X\})\} = F$
- (iv) For each A subset of X and each $U \in (\gamma, \gamma')$ -PO(X) with $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$, there exists a $V \in (\gamma, \gamma')$ -PO(X) such that $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$ and $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-p Cl}(V) \subset U$.
- (v) For each nonempty subset A of X and each (γ, γ') -preclosed subset F of X with $A \cap F = \emptyset$, there exists $V, W \in (\gamma, \gamma')$ -PO(X) such that $A \cap V \neq \emptyset$, $F \subset W$ and $W \cap V = \emptyset$
- (vi) For each (γ, γ') -preclosed set F and $x \notin F$, there exists $U \in (\gamma, \gamma')$ -PO(X) and a (γ, γ') -pg.open set V such that $x \in U$, $F \subset V$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$.

- (vii) For each $A \subset X$ and each (γ, γ') -preclosed set F with $A \cap F = \emptyset$, there exists $U \in (\gamma, \gamma')$ - $PO(X)$ and a (γ, γ') -pg.open set V such that $A \cap U \neq \emptyset, F \subset V$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$.
- (viii) For each (γ, γ') -preclosed set F of $X, F = \cap \{ \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V) : F \subset V, V \text{ is } (\gamma, \gamma') \text{-pg.open} \}$

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii) Let $x \notin X \setminus U$, where $U \in (\gamma, \gamma')$ - $PO(X, x)$. Then there exists $G, V \in (\gamma, \gamma')$ - $PO(X)$ such that $(X \setminus U) \subset G, x \in V$ and $G \cap V = \emptyset$. Therefore $V \subset (X \setminus G)$ and so $x \in V \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V) \subset (X \setminus G) \subset U$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii) Let $(X \setminus F) \in (\gamma, \gamma')$ - $PO(X, x)$. Then by (2) there exists an $U \in (\gamma, \gamma')$ - $PO(X, x)$ such that $x \in U \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(U) \subset (X \setminus F)$. So, $F \subset X \setminus \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(U) = V, V \in (\gamma, \gamma')$ - $PO(X)$ and $V \cap U = \emptyset$. Then by Theorem 2.1, $x \notin \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V)$. Thus $F \supset \cap \{ \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V) : F \subset V, V \in (\gamma, \gamma') \text{-} PO(X) \}$.

(iii) \Rightarrow (iv) Let $U \in (\gamma, \gamma')$ - $PO(X)$ with $x \in U \cap A$. Then $x \notin (X \setminus U)$ and hence by (iii) there exists a (γ, γ') -preopen set W such that $(X \setminus U) \subset W$ and $x \notin \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(W)$. We put $V = X \setminus \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(W)$, which is a (γ, γ') -preopen set containing x and hence $V \cap U \neq \emptyset$. Now $V \subset (X \setminus W)$ and so $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V) \subset (X \setminus W) \subset U$

(iv) \Rightarrow (v) Let F be a set as in hypothesis of (v). Then $(X \setminus F)$ is (γ, γ') -preopen and $(X \setminus F) \cap A \neq \emptyset$. Then there exists $V \in (\gamma, \gamma')$ - $PO(X)$ such that $A \cap V \neq \emptyset$ and $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V) \subset (X \setminus F)$. If we put $W = X \setminus \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V)$, then $F \subset W$ and $W \cap V = \emptyset$. (v) \Rightarrow (i) Let F be a (γ, γ') -preclosed set not containing x . Then by (v), there exist $W, V \in (\gamma, \gamma')$ - $PO(X)$ such that $F \subset W$ and $x \in V$ and $W \cap V = \emptyset$.

(i) \Rightarrow (vi) Obvious.

(vi) \Rightarrow (vii) For $a \in A, a \notin F$ and hence by (vi) there exists $U \in (\gamma, \gamma')$ - $PO(X)$ and a (γ, γ') -pg.open set V such that $a \in U, F \subset V$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$. So, $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$.

(vii) \Rightarrow (i) Let $x \notin F$, where F is (γ, γ') -pg.closed. Since $\{x\} \cap F = \emptyset$, by (vii) there exists $U \in (\gamma, \gamma')$ - $PO(X)$ and (γ, γ') -pg.open set W such that $x \in U, F \subset W$ and $U \cap W = \emptyset$. Now put $V = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(W)$. Using definition of (γ, γ') -pg.open sets we get $F \subset V$ and $V \cap U = \emptyset$.

(iii) \Rightarrow (viii) We have $F \subset \cap \{ \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V) : F \subset V \text{ and } V \text{ is } (\gamma, \gamma') \text{-pg.open} \} \subset \cap \{ \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V) : F \subset V \text{ and } V \text{ is } (\gamma, \gamma') \text{-preopen} \} = F$. (viii) \Rightarrow (i) Let F be a (γ, γ') -preclosed set in X not containing x . Then by (viii) there exists a (γ, γ') -pg.open set W such that $F \subset W$ and $x \in X \setminus \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(W)$. Since F is (γ, γ') -preclosed and W is (γ, γ') -pg.open, $F \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(W)$. Take $V = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(W)$. Then $F \subset V, x \in U = X \setminus \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V)$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$. □

Definition 3.9. A topological space (X, τ) with operations γ and γ' on τ is called (γ, γ') -prenormal if for any pair of disjoint (γ, γ') -preclosed sets A and B of X , there exist disjoint (γ, γ') -preopen sets U and V such that $A \subset U$ and $B \subset V$.

The following examples show that normality and (γ, γ') -prenormality are independent concepts.

Example 3.3. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$. Let $\gamma : \tau \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ and $\gamma' : \tau \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ be operations defined as follows: for every $A \in \tau$ $A^\gamma = \text{Cl}(A)$ and

$$A^{\gamma'} = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } c \notin A, \\ \text{Cl}(A) & \text{if } c \in A. \end{cases}$$

This space is (γ, γ') -prenormal but not normal.

Example 3.4. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and τ be the discrete topology on X . Let $\gamma : \tau \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ and $\gamma' : \tau \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ be operations defined as follows: for every $A \in \tau$

$$A^\gamma = \begin{cases} \{b\} & \text{if } A = \{b\}, \\ A \cup \{b\} & \text{if } A \neq \{b\} \end{cases}$$

and

$$A^\gamma = \begin{cases} \text{Cl}(A) & \text{if } A = \{b\}, \\ A & \text{if } A \neq \{b\} \end{cases}$$

Then this space is normal but not (γ, γ') -prenormal.

Theorem 3.18. *For a topological space (X, τ) with operations γ and γ' on τ , the following are equivalent:*

- (i) X is (γ, γ') -prenormal.
- (ii) For each pair of disjoint (γ, γ') -preclosed sets A and B of X , there exist disjoint (γ, γ') -pg.open sets U and V such that $A \subset U$ and $B \subset V$.
- (iii) For each (γ, γ') -preclosed set A and any (γ, γ') -preopen set V containing A , there exists a (γ, γ') -pg.open set U such that $A \subset U \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(U) \subset V$.
- (iv) For each (γ, γ') -preclosed set A and any (γ, γ') -pg.open set B containing A , there exists a (γ, γ') -pg.open set U such that $A \subset U \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(U) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(B)$.
- (v) For each (γ, γ') -preclosed set A and any (γ, γ') -pg.open set B containing A , there exists a (γ, γ') -preopen set G such that $A \subset G \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(G) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(B)$.
- (vi) For each (γ, γ') -pg.closed set A and any (γ, γ') -preopen set B containing A , there exists a (γ, γ') -preopen set U such that $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(A) \subset U \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(U) \subset B$.
- (vii) For each (γ, γ') -pg.closed set A and any (γ, γ') -preopen set B containing A , there exists a (γ, γ') -pg.open set G such that $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(A) \subset G \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(G) \subset B$.

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii): Follows from the fact that every (γ, γ') -preopen set is (γ, γ') -pg.open.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii): let A be a (γ, γ') -closed set and V any (γ, γ') -preopen set containing A . Since A and $(X \setminus V)$ are disjoint (γ, γ') -preclosed sets, there exist (γ, γ') -pg.open sets U and W such that $A \subset U$, $(X \setminus V) \subset W$ and $U \cap W = \emptyset$. By Theorem 3.13, we get $(X \setminus V) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(W)$. Since $U \cap \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(W) = \emptyset$, we have $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(U) \cap \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(W) = \emptyset$, and hence $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(U) \subset X \setminus \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(W) \subset V$. Therefore, $A \subset U \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(U) \subset V$.

(iii) \Rightarrow (i): Let A and B be any disjoint (γ, γ') -preclosed sets of X . Since $(X \setminus B)$ is an (γ, γ') -preopen set containing A , there exists a (γ, γ') -pg.open set G such that $A \subset G \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(G) \subset X \setminus B$. Since G is a (γ, γ') -pg.open set, using Theorem 3.13, we have $A \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(G)$. Taking $U = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(G)$ and $V = X \setminus \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(G)$, we have two disjoint (γ, γ') -preopen sets U and V such that $A \subset U$ and $B \subset V$. Hence X is (γ, γ') -prenormal.

(v) \Rightarrow (iii): let A be a (γ, γ') -closed set and V any (γ, γ') -preopen set containing A . Since every (γ, γ') -preopen set is (γ, γ') -pg.open, there exists a (γ, γ') -preopen set G such that $A \subset G \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(G) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(V)$. Also, we have a (γ, γ') -pg.open set G such that $A \subset G \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(G) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(V) \subset V$.

(iii) \Rightarrow (v): Let A be a (γ, γ') -closed set and B by a (γ, γ') -pg.open set containing A . Using Theorem 3.13 of a (γ, γ') -pg.open set we get $A \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(B) = V$, say. Then applying (iii), we get a (γ, γ') -pg.open set U such that $A = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(A) \subset U \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(U) \subset V$. Again, using the same Theorem 3.13 we get $A \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(U)$, and hence $A \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(U) \subset U \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(U) \subset V$; which implies $A \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(U) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(U)) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(U) \subset V$, that is, $A \subset G \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(G) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(B)$, where $G = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(U)$.

(iii) \Rightarrow (vii): Let A be a (γ, γ') -pg.closed set and B any (γ, γ') -preopen set containing A . Since A is a (γ, γ') -pg.closed set, we have $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(A) \subset B$, therefore, we can find a (γ, γ') -pg.open set U such that $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(A) \subset U \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(U) \subset B$.

(vii) \Rightarrow (vi): Let A be a (γ, γ') -pg.closed set and B any (γ, γ') -preopen set containing A , then by (vii) there exists a (γ, γ') -pg.open set G such that $\tau_{\beta}\text{-Cl}(A) \subset G \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(G) \subset B$. Since G is a (γ, γ') -pg.open set, then by Theorem 3.13, we get $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(A) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(G)$. If we take $U = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(G)$, the proof follows. \square

Definition 3.10. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and $A \subset X$.

- (i) The set denoted by $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} D(A)$ and defined by $\{x : \text{for every } (\gamma, \gamma')$ -preopen set U containing $x, U \cap (A \setminus \{x\}) \neq \emptyset\}$ is called the $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')}$ -prederived set of A .
- (ii) The $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')}$ -prefrontier of A , denoted by $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} Fr(A)$ is defined as $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(A) \cap \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(X \setminus A)$.

Proposition 3.3. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and $A \subset X$. Then the following properties hold:

- (i) $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(A) = A \setminus (\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} D(X \setminus A))$.
- (ii) $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(A) = A \cup \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} D(A)$.

Proof. Clear. \square

4. (γ, β) -PRECONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS

Definition 4.11. A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be (γ, β) -precontinuous [1] at a point $x \in X$ if for each (β, β') -preopen subset V in Y containing $f(x)$, there exists a (γ, γ') -preopen subset U of X containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$.

Theorem 4.19. For a function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$, the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) f is (γ, β) -precontinuous;
- (ii) The inverse image of each (β, β') -preopen set in Y is (γ, γ') -preopen in X ;
- (iii) For each subset B of Y , $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \subset f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')-p} \text{Cl}(B))$;
- (iv) For each subset A of X , $f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(A)) \subset \sigma_{(\beta, \beta')-p} \text{Cl}(f(A))$;
- (v) For each subset A of X , $f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} D(A)) \subset \sigma_{(\beta, \beta')-p} \text{Cl}(f(A))$;
- (vi) For any subset B of Y , $f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')-p} \text{Int}(B)) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(f^{-1}(A))$;
- (vii) For each subset C of Y , $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} Fr(f^{-1}(C)) \subset f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')-p} Fr(B))$.

Proof. Easy proof and hence omitted. \square

Theorem 4.20. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a (γ, β) -precontinuous function. Then for each subset V of Y , $f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')-p} \text{Int}(V)) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(f^{-1}(V)))$.

Proof. Let V be any subset of Y . Then $\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')-p} \text{Int}(V)$ is (β, β') -preopen in Y and so $f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')-p} \text{Int}(V))$ is (γ, γ') -preopen in X .

Hence $f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')-p} \text{Int}(V)) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')-p} \text{Int}(V)))) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(f^{-1}(V)))$. \square

Corollary 4.1. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a (γ, β) -precontinuous function. Then for each subset V of Y , $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(V))) \subset f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')-p} \text{Cl}(V))$.

Theorem 4.21. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a bijection. Then f is (γ, β) -precontinuous if and only if $\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')-p} \text{Int}(f(U)) \subset f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(U))$ for each subset U of X .

Proof. Let U be any subset of X . Then by Theorem 4.19, $f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} - p \text{Int}(f(U))) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} - p \text{Int}(f^{-1}(f(U)))$. Since f is bijection, $\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} - p \text{Int}(f(U)) = f(f^{-1}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} - p \text{Int}(f(U)))) \subset f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} - p \text{Int}(U))$. Conversely, let V be any subset of Y . Then $\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} - p \text{Int}(f(f^{-1}(V))) \subset f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} - p \text{Int}(f^{-1}(V)))$. Since f is bijection, $\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} - p \text{Int}(V) = \sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} - p \text{Int}(f(f^{-1}(V))) \subset f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} - p \text{Int}(f^{-1}(V)))$; hence $f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} - p \text{Int}(V)) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} - p \text{Int}(f^{-1}(V))$. Therefore, by Theorem 4.19, f is (γ, β) -precontinuous. \square

Theorem 4.22. *Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function. Then $X \setminus \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} - pC(f) = \cup \{ \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} - pFr(f^{-1}(V)) : V \in (\beta, \beta') - PO(Y), f(x) \in V, x \in X \}$, where $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} - pC(f)$ denotes the set of points at which f is (γ, β) -precontinuous.*

Proof. Let $x \in X \setminus \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} - pC(f)$. Then there exists $V \in (\beta, \beta') - PO(Y)$ containing $f(x)$ such that $f(U)$ is not a subset of V , for every (γ, γ') -preopen set U containing x . Hence $U \cap (X \setminus f^{-1}(V)) \neq \emptyset$ for every (γ, γ') -preopen set U containing x . Then, $x \in \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} - pCl(X \setminus f^{-1}(V))$. Then $x \in f^{-1}(V) \cap \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} - pCl(X \setminus f^{-1}(V)) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} - pFr(f^{-1}(V))$. So,

$$X \setminus \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} - pC(f) \subset \cup \{ \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} - pFr(f^{-1}(V)) : V \in (\beta, \beta') - PO(Y), f(x) \in V, x \in X \}.$$

Conversely, let $x \notin X \setminus \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} - pC(f)$. Then for each $V \in (\beta, \beta') - PO(Y)$ containing $f(x)$, $f^{-1}(V)$ is a (γ, γ') -preopen set U containing x . Thus, $x \in \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} - pInt(f^{-1}(V))$ and hence $x \notin \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} - pFr(f^{-1}(V))$, for every $V \in \beta SO(Y)$ containing $f(x)$. Therefore,

$$X \setminus \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} - pC(f) \supset \cup \{ \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} - pFr(f^{-1}(V)) : V \in (\beta, \beta') - PO(Y), f(x) \in V, x \in X \}.$$

\square

Theorem 4.23. *Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a (γ, β) -precontinuous, (γ, β) -preclosed, (γ, β) -preopen surjective function on (X, τ) . If X is (γ, γ') -preregular, then Y is (β, β') -preregular.*

Proof. Let K be a (β, β') -preclosed in Y and $y \in K$. Since f is (γ, β) -precontinuous and X is (γ, γ') -preregular for each point $x \in f^{-1}(y)$, there exist disjoint $V, W \in (\gamma, \gamma') - PO(X)$ such that $x \in V$ and $f^{-1}(K) \subset W$. Now, since f is (γ, β) -preclosed, there exists a (β, β') -preopen set U containing K such that $f^{-1}(U) \subset W$. As f is a (γ, β) -preopen function, we have $y = f(x) \in f(V)$ and $f(V)$ is (β, β') -preopen in Y . Now, $f^{-1}(U) \cap V = \emptyset$; hence $U \cap f(V) = \emptyset$. Therefore, Y is (β, β') -preregular. \square

Theorem 4.24. *If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is a (γ, β) -precontinuous, (γ, β) -preclosed surjective function and X is (γ, γ') -prenormal, then Y is (β, β') -prenormal.*

Proof. Let A and B be two disjoint (β, β') -preclosed sets in Y . Since f is (γ, β) -precontinuous, $f^{-1}(A)$ and $f^{-1}(B)$ are disjoint (γ, γ') -preclosed sets in X . Now as X is (γ, γ') -prenormal, there exist disjoint (γ, γ') -preopen sets V and W such that $f^{-1}(A) \subset V$ and $f^{-1}(B) \subset W$. Since f is (γ, β) -preclosed, there exist (β, β') -preopen sets M and N such that $A \subset M, B \subset N, f^{-1}(M) \subset V$ and $f^{-1}(N) \subset W$. Since $V \cap W = \emptyset$, we have $M \cap N = \emptyset$; hence Y is (β, β') -prenormal. \square

Definition 4.12. A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be:

- (i) (γ, β) -preopen if $f(U)$ is a (β, β') -preopen set of Y for every (γ, γ') -preopen set U of X .
- (ii) (γ, β) -preclosed [1] if $f(U)$ is a (β, β') -preclosed set of Y for every (γ, γ') -preclosed set U of X .

Theorem 4.25. *For a bijective function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$, the following statements are equivalent:*

- (i) f is (γ, β) -preopen;
- (ii) f is (γ, β) -preclosed;
- (iii) f is (γ, β) -precontinuous.

Proof. The proof is clear. □

Theorem 4.26. For a function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$, the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) f is (γ, β) -preopen;
- (ii) $f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(U)) \subset \sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(f(U))$ for each subset U of X ;
- (iii) $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(f^{-1}(V)) \subset f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(V))$ for each subset V of Y .

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii): Let U be any subset of X . Then $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(U)$ is a (γ, γ') -preopen set of X . Then $f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(U))$ is a (β, β') -preopen set of Y . Since $f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(U)) \subset f(U)$, $f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(U)) = \sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(U))) \subset \sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(f(U))$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii): Let V be any subset of Y . Then $f^{-1}(V)$ is a subset of X . Hence $f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(f^{-1}(V))) \subset \sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(f(f^{-1}(V))) \subset \sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(V)$. Then $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(f^{-1}(V)) \subset f^{-1}(f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(f^{-1}(V)))) \subset f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(V))$.

(iii) \Rightarrow (i): Let U be any (γ, γ') -preopen set of X . Then $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(U) = U$ and $f(U)$ is a subset of Y . Now, $V = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(V) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(f^{-1}(f(V))) \subset f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(f(V)))$. Then $f(V) \subset f(f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(f(V)))) \subset \sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(f(V))$ and $\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(f(V)) \subset f(V)$. Hence $f(V)$ is a (β, β') -preopen set of Y ; hence f is (γ, β) -preopen. □

Corollary 4.2. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function. Then f is (γ, β) -preclosed and (γ, β) -precontinuous if and only if $f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V)) = \sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f(V))$ for every subset V of X .

Corollary 4.3. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function. Then f is (γ, β) -preopen and (γ, β) -precontinuous if and only if $f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V)) = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(V))$ for every subset V of Y .

Theorem 4.27. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function. Then f is a (γ, β) -preclosed function if and only if for each subset V of X , $\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f(V)) \subset f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V))$.

Proof. Let f be a (γ, β) -preclosed function and V any subset of X . Then $f(V) \subset f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V))$ and $f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V))$ is a (β, β') -preclosed set of Y . We have $\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f(V)) \subset \sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V))) = f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V))$. Conversely, let V be a (γ, γ') -preopen set of X . Then $f(V) \subset \sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f(V)) \subset f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V)) = f(V)$; hence $f(V)$ is a (β, β') -preclosed subset of Y . Therefore, f is a (γ, β) -preclosed function. □

Theorem 4.28. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function. Then f is a (γ, β) -preclosed function if and only if for each subset V of Y , $f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V)) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(V))$.

Proof. Let V be any subset of Y . Then by Theorem 4.27, $\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V) \subset f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(V)))$. Since f is bijection, $f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V)) = f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f(f^{-1}(V)))) \subset f^{-1}(f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(V)))) = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(V))$. Conversely, let U be any subset of X . Since f is bijection,

$$\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f(U)) = f(f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f(U)))) \subset f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(f(U)))) = f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(U)).$$

Therefore, by Theorem 4.27, f is a (γ, β) -preclosed function. □

Theorem 4.29. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a (γ, β) -preopen function. If V is a subset of Y and U is a (γ, γ') -preclosed subset of X containing $f^{-1}(V)$, then there exists a (β, β') -preclosed set F of Y containing V such that $f^{-1}(F) \subset U$.

Proof. Let V be any subset of Y and U a (γ, γ') -preclosed subset of X containing $f^{-1}(V)$, and let $F = Y \setminus (f(X \setminus V))$. Then $f(X \setminus V) \subset f(f^{-1}(X \setminus V)) \subset X \setminus V$ and $X \setminus U$ is a (γ, γ') -preopen set of X . Since f is (γ, β) -preopen, $f(X \setminus U)$ is a (β, β') -preopen set of Y . Hence F is a (β, β') -preclosed set of Y and $f^{-1}(F) = f^{-1}(Y \setminus (f(X \setminus U))) \subset U$. \square

Theorem 4.30. *Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a (γ, β) -preclosed function. If V is a subset of Y and U is a (γ, γ') -preopen subset of X containing $f^{-1}(V)$, then there exists (β, β') -preopen set F of Y containing V such that $f^{-1}(F) \subset U$.*

Proof. The proof is similar to the Theorem 4.29. \square

Theorem 4.31. *Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a (γ, β) -preopen function. Then for each subset V of Y , $f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V))) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(V))$.*

Proof. Let V be any subset of Y . Then $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(V))$ is a (γ, γ') -preclosed set of X containing $f^{-1}(V)$. Since f is (γ, β) -preopen, by Theorem 4.29, there is a (β, β') -preopen set F of Y containing V such that $f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V))) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(F)) \subset f^{-1}(F) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(V))$. \square

Theorem 4.32. *Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a bijection such that for each subset V of Y , $f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V))) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(V))$. Then f is a (γ, β) -preopen function.*

Proof. Let U be a (γ, γ') -preopen subset of X . Then $f(X \setminus U)$ is a subset of Y and $f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f(X \setminus U)))) \subset \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(f(X \setminus U))) = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(X \setminus U) = X \setminus U$, and so $\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f(X \setminus U))) \subset f(X \setminus U)$. Hence $f(X \setminus U)$ is a (β, β') -preclosed set of Y and $f(U) = Y \setminus (f(X \setminus U))$ is a (β, β') -preopen set of Y . Therefore, f is a (γ, β) -preopen function. \square

Definition 4.13. [1] *A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be (γ, β) -prehomeomorphism if f and f^{-1} are (γ, β) -precontinuous.*

Theorem 4.33. *Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a bijection. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (i) f is (γ, β) -prehomeomorphism;
- (ii) f^{-1} is (γ, β) -prehomeomorphism;
- (iii) f and f^{-1} are (γ, β) -preopen ((γ, β) -preclosed);
- (iv) f is (γ, β) -precontinuous and (γ, β) -preopen ((γ, β) -preclosed);
- (v) $f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V)) = \sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f(V))$ for each subset V of X ;
- (vi) $f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(V)) = \sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(f(V))$ for each subset V of X ;
- (vii) $f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(V)) = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(f^{-1}(V))$ for each subset V of Y ;
- (viii) $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(V)) = f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(V))$ for each subset V of Y .

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii): It follows immediately from the definition of a (γ, β) -prehomeomorphism.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii) \Rightarrow (iv): It follows from Theorem 4.25.

(iv) \Rightarrow (v): It follows from Theorem 4.28 and Corollary 4.2.

(v) \Rightarrow (vi): Let U be a subset of X . Then by Theorem 2.1, $f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(U)) = X \setminus f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(X \setminus U)) = X \setminus \sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Cl}(f(X \setminus U)) = \sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(f(U))$.

(vi) \Rightarrow (vii): Let V be a subset of Y .

Then $f(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(f^{-1}(V))) = \sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(f(f^{-1}(V))) = \sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(f(V))$. Hence $f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(f(V))) = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(f^{-1}(V))$. Therefore, $f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(V)) = \tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')} \text{-} p \text{Int}(f^{-1}(V))$.

(vii) \Rightarrow (viii): Let V be a subset of Y .

Then by Theorem 2.1, $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(V)) = X \setminus (f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')-p} \text{Int}(Y \setminus V))) = X \setminus (\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')-p} \text{Int}(f^{-1}(X \setminus V))) = f^{-1}(\sigma_{(\beta, \beta')-p} \text{Cl}(V))$.

(viii) \Rightarrow (i): It follows from Theorem 4.28 and Corollary 4.3. \square

Theorem 4.34. Every topological space (X, τ) with operations γ and γ' on τ is (γ, γ') -pre- $T_{1/2}$.

Proof. Let $x \in X$. We prove (X, τ) is (γ, γ') -pre- $T_{1/2}$, it is sufficient to show that $\{x\}$ is (γ, γ') -preopen or (γ, γ') -preclosed. Now, if $\{x\}$ is (γ, γ') -open, then it is obviously (γ, γ') -preopen. If $\{x\}$ is not (γ, γ') -open, then $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')}\text{-Int}(\{x\}) = \emptyset$; hence $\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')}\text{-Cl}(\tau_{(\gamma, \gamma')}\text{-Int}(\{x\})) = \emptyset \subset \{x\}$. Therefore, $\{x\}$ is (γ, γ') -preclosed. \square

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