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## ***RPS-SEPARATION AXIOMS-II***

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### **ABSTRACT**

In this paper, we introduce and study some lower separation axioms using rps-open sets. We discuss their basic properties and their link with existing lower separation axioms.

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### **1. Introduction**

Shyla Isac Mary and Thangavelu [10] defined the concept of regular pre-semi closed sets in 2010. Askish Kar and Bhattacharyya [3]; Gnanambal [5]; Anitha and Thangavelu[2]; introduced and studied pre- $T_i$  ( $i=0,1,2$ ), preregular- $T_{1/2}$  and pgpr- $T_{1/2}$ , gpr- $T_{1/2}$  spaces respectively. Quit recently, Shyla Isac Mary and Thangavelu [13] introduced and investigated rps- $T_{3/4}$ , rps- $T_{1/2}$ , rps- $T_{1/3}$  and rps- $T_b$  spaces. The authors [4] further studied pgpr-separation axioms. In this paper, we introduce and study rps- $T_i$  ( $i=0, 1, 2$ ) spaces.

### **2. Preliminaries**

Given any subset  $A$  in a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , the closure, interior and complement of  $A$  are denoted by  $cl(A)$ ,  $int(A)$  and  $X \setminus A$  respectively. Let us recall the following definitions, which we shall require later.

A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is regular open [14] if  $A = int(cl(A))$ , regular closed if  $A = cl(int(A))$ , pre-open [8] if  $A \subseteq int(cl(A))$ , pre-closed if  $cl(int(A)) \subseteq A$ , semi-pre-open [1] if  $A \subseteq cl(int(cl(A)))$  and semi-pre-closed if  $int(cl(int(A))) \subseteq A$ . The semi-pre-interior of a subset  $A$  of

$X$  is the union of all semi-pre-open sets contained in  $A$  and is denoted by  $spint(A)$ . The pre-closure of a subset  $A$  of  $X$  is the intersection of all pre-closed sets containing  $A$  and is denoted by  $pcl(A)$ . The semi-pre-closure of a subset  $A$  of  $X$  is analogously defined and is denoted by  $spcl(A)$ .

Again a subset  $B$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called generalized closed (briefly  $g$ -closed) [6] if  $cl(B) \subseteq U$  whenever  $B \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $X$  and regular generalized closed (briefly  $rg$ -closed) [8] if  $cl(B) \subseteq U$  whenever  $B \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is regular open in  $X$ . The complement of a  $g$ -closed set is  $g$ -open and that of  $rg$ -closed set is  $rg$ -open. A subset  $B$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called pre-semi-closed [15] if  $spcl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $g$ -open.

**Definition 2.1:** A subset  $B$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called generalized pre-regular closed (briefly  $gpr$ -closed) [5] (resp. pre-generalized pre-regular-closed (briefly  $pgpr$ -closed)[2]) if  $pcl(B) \subseteq U$  whenever  $B \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is regular open (resp.  $rg$ -open) in  $X$ .

The intersection of all  $pgpr$ -closed sets containing  $A$  is called the  $pgpr$ -closure of  $A$  and denoted by  $pgpr-cl(A)$ . The complement of a  $pgpr$ -closed set is  $pgpr$ -open.

**Definition 2.2:** A subset  $B$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called regular pre-semiclosed (briefly  $rps$ -closed) [10]) if  $spcl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $rg$ -open.

The intersection of all  $rps$ -closed sets containing  $A$  is called the  $rps$ -closure of  $A$  and denoted by  $rps-cl(A)$ . The complement of a  $rps$ -closed set is  $rps$ -open.

**Definition 2.3:** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is  $pgpr-T_0$  [4] if for any two distinct points  $x$  and  $y$  of  $X$ , there exists a  $pgpr$ -open set  $G$  such that  $x \in G$  and  $y \notin G$  or  $y \in G$  and  $x \notin G$ .

**Definition 2.4:** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is  $pre-T_1$  [3] (resp.  $pgpr-T_1$  [4]) if for any two distinct points  $x, y \in X$ , there exist pre-open (resp.  $pgpr$ -open) sets  $G$  and  $H$  such that  $x \in G$  but  $y \notin G$  and  $y \in H$  but  $x \notin H$ .

**Definition 2.5:** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is  $pre-T_2$  [3] (resp.  $pgpr-T_2$  [4]) if for any two distinct points  $x, y \in X$ , there exist disjoint pre-open (resp.  $pgpr$ -open) sets  $G$  and  $H$  such that  $x \in G$  and  $y \in H$ .

**Theorem 2.6:** A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is  $rps$ -open if and only if  $F \subseteq spint(A)$  whenever  $F \subseteq A$ ,  $F$  is  $rg$ -closed. [11]

**Definition 2.7[13]:** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $\text{rps-}T_{1/2}$  (resp.  $\text{rps-}T_{1/3}$ ,  $\text{rps-}T_b$  and  $\text{rps-}T_{3/4}$ ) if every  $\text{rps-closed}$  (resp.  $\text{pre-semi-closed}$ ,  $\text{rps-closed}$  and  $\text{rps-closed}$ ) set is  $\text{semi-pre-closed}$  (resp.  $\text{rps-closed}$ ,  $\text{semi-closed}$  and  $\text{pre-closed}$ ).

**Definition 2.8:** A space  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $\text{pgpr-}T_{1/2}[2]$  (resp.  $\text{gpr-}T_{1/2}[2]$  and  $\text{preregular-}T_{1/2}[5]$ ) if every  $\text{pgpr-closed}$  (resp.  $\text{gpr-closed}$  and  $\text{gpr-closed}$ ) set is  $\text{pre-closed}$  (resp.  $\text{pgpr-closed}$  and  $\text{pre-closed}$ ).

**Definition 2.9[11]:** A function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is  $\text{rps-continuous}$  (resp.  $\text{rps-irresolute}$ ) if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\text{rps-closed}$  for every closed (resp.  $\text{rps-closed}$ ) set  $V$  of  $Y$ .

**Definition 2.10[12]:** A function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is and  $f$  is  $\text{rps-open}$  if  $f(G)$  is  $\text{rps-open}$  in  $Y$  for every  $\text{rps-open}$  set  $G$  of  $X$ .

**Diagram 2.11:**  $\text{closed} \longrightarrow \text{pre-closed} \longrightarrow \text{pgpr-closed} \longrightarrow \text{rps-closed}$

### 3. $\text{rps-}T_0$ spaces

In  $T_0$  spaces, two distinct points  $x, y$  are separated by means of an open set containing a specific point of  $x, y$  and not containing the other. In this section, we introduce  $\text{rps-}T_0$  spaces and investigate their basic properties.

**Definition 3.1:** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be  $\text{rps-}T_0$  if for any two distinct points  $x$  and  $y$  of  $X$  there exists a  $\text{rps-open}$  set  $G$  such that  $x \in G$  and  $y \notin G$  or  $y \in G$  and  $x \notin G$ .

**Proposition 3.2:** Every topological space is  $\text{rps-}T_0$ .

**Proof:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space. By using proposition 3.7 of [4],  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\text{pgpr-}T_0$ . Since every  $\text{pgpr-open}$  set is  $\text{rps-open}$ ,  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\text{rps-}T_0$ .

**Theorem 3.3:** In a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , the  $\text{rps-closures}$  of distinct points are distinct.

**Proof:** Let  $x$  and  $y$  be two distinct points of a space  $X$ . By Proposition 3.2,  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\text{rps-}T_0$ . By Definition 3.1, there exists a  $\text{rps-open}$  set  $G$  such that  $x \in G$  and  $y \notin G$  or  $y \in G$  and  $x \notin G$ . Since  $G$  is  $\text{rps-open}$ , we have  $X \setminus G$  is  $\text{rps-closed}$ . If  $x \in G$  and  $y \notin G$ , then  $x \notin X \setminus G$  and  $y \in X \setminus G$ . Then there is a  $\text{rps-closed}$  set containing  $y$  but not  $x$ . It follows that  $x \notin \text{rps-cl}(\{y\})$ . But  $x \in \text{rps-cl}(\{x\})$ . Therefore  $\text{rps-cl}(\{x\}) \neq \text{rps-cl}(\{y\})$ . The proof for the case  $y \in G$  and  $x \notin G$  is similar.

#### 4. $\text{rps-T}_1$ spaces

In this section, we introduce  $\text{rps-T}_1$  spaces and investigate their basic properties. In section 3, we have proved that every topological space is  $\text{rps-T}_0$ . Therefore, it is worth to define  $\text{rps-T}_1$  spaces.

**Definition 4.1:** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be  $\text{rps-T}_1$  if for any two distinct points  $x$  and  $y$  of  $X$ , there exist  $\text{rps-open}$  sets  $G$  and  $H$  such that  $x \in G$  but  $y \notin G$  and  $y \in H$  but  $x \notin H$ .

**Proposition 4.2:** (i) Every  $\text{pgpr-T}_1$  space is  $\text{rps-T}_1$ .

(ii) Every  $\text{pre-T}_1$  space is  $\text{rps-T}_1$ .

**Proof:** Suppose  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\text{pgpr-T}_1$ . Let  $x \neq y \in X$ . Then by Definition 2.4, there exist  $\text{pgpr-open}$  sets  $G$  and  $H$  such that  $x \in G$  but  $y \notin G$  and  $y \in H$  but  $x \notin H$ . Since every  $\text{pgpr-open}$  set is  $\text{rps-open}$ ,  $G$  and  $H$  are  $\text{rps-open}$  sets such that  $x \in G$  but  $y \notin G$  and  $y \in H$  but  $x \notin H$ . This shows that  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_1$ . This proves (i).

The proof of (ii) follows from (i) and Proposition 4.2 of [4].

However, the converse of Proposition 4.2 is not true as shown in the following example.

**Example 4.3:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ . It can be verified that  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_1$  but neither  $\text{pre-T}_1$  nor  $\text{pgpr-T}_1$ .

The converse of Proposition 4.2 holds in  $\text{rps-T}_{3/4}$  spaces as shown below.

**Proposition 4.4:** (i) If a space  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_{3/4}$  and  $\text{rps-T}_1$ , then it is  $\text{pre-T}_1$ .

(ii) If a space  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_{3/4}$  and  $\text{rps-T}_1$ , then it is  $\text{pgpr-T}_1$ .

**Proof:** Suppose  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_{3/4}$  and  $\text{rps-T}_1$ . Let  $x \neq y \in X$ . Since  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_1$ , there exist  $\text{rps-open}$  sets  $G$  and  $H$  such that  $x \in G$  but  $y \notin G$  and  $y \in H$  but  $x \notin H$ . Then  $X \setminus G$  and  $X \setminus H$  are  $\text{rps-closed}$  in  $X$ . Since  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_{3/4}$ , by Definition 2.8,  $X \setminus G$  and  $X \setminus H$  are  $\text{pre-closed}$ . This implies that  $G$  and  $H$  are  $\text{pre-open}$  sets such that  $x \in G$  but  $y \notin G$  and  $y \in H$  but  $x \notin H$ . This shows that  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\text{pre-T}_1$ . This proves (i).

The proof of (ii) follows from Proposition 4.2 of [4] and (i).

**Proposition 4.5:** (i) Every  $\text{gpr-T}_{1/2}$  space is  $\text{rps-T}_1$ .

(iii) Every  $\text{preregular-T}_{1/2}$  space is  $\text{rps-T}_1$ .

**Proof:** The proof of (i) follows from Lemma 4.5 of [4] and Proposition 4.2(ii).

The proof of (ii) follows from Corollary 4.6 of [4] and Proposition 4.2(ii).

The next examples show that  $\text{rps-T}_1$  space need not be  $\text{gpr-T}_{1/2}$  and  $\text{preregular-T}_{1/2}$ .

**Example 4.6:** Let  $X$  be a countably infinite set. We define the topology  $\tau$  of finite complements on  $X$  by declaring open those sets with finite complements together with  $\emptyset$  (and  $X$ ). Then the only closed sets are  $\emptyset$ ,  $X$  and finite sets. In particular  $\{x\}$  is closed for every  $x \in X$ . It follows that  $(X, \tau)$  is  $T_1$  and hence it is  $\text{rps-T}_1$ . The only regular open sets are  $\emptyset$  and  $X$ . This implies that every subset of  $X$  is  $\text{gpr-closed}$ . Consider any infinite set  $A \neq X$ . Then  $A$  is open and  $\text{gpr-closed}$  but not closed. Therefore  $cl(int(A)) = cl(A) = X \not\subseteq A$ . That is  $A$  is not pre-closed. This shows that  $(X, \tau)$  is not  $\text{gpr-T}_{1/2}$ .

**Example 4.7:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ . It can be verified that  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_1$  but not  $\text{preregular-T}_{1/2}$ , since the set  $\{a, b, c\}$  is  $\text{gpr-closed}$  but not  $\text{rps-closed}$ .

The following examples show that the concepts  $\text{rps-T}_1$  and  $\text{rps-T}_{1/2}$ ,  $\text{rps-T}_1$  and  $\text{rps-T}_{1/3}$ ,  $\text{rps-T}_1$  and  $\text{rps-T}_b$ ,  $\text{rps-T}_1$  and  $\text{rps-T}_{3/4}$  are independent.

**Example 4.8:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  endowed with topology  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, X\}$ . Clearly  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_{1/2}$ ,  $\text{rps-T}_{1/3}$ ,  $\text{rps-T}_b$  and  $\text{rps-T}_{3/4}$  but it is not  $\text{rps-T}_1$ .

**Example 4.9:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with topology  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ . It can be verified that  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_1$  but neither  $\text{rps-T}_{1/2}$  nor  $\text{rps-T}_{1/3}$ .

**Example 4.10:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with topology  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, X\}$ . It can be verified that  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_1$  but not  $\text{rps-T}_b$ .

**Example 4.11:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with topology  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ . It can be verified that  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_1$  but not  $\text{rps-T}_{3/4}$ .

**Theorem 4.12:** Let  $Y$  be a  $g$ -closed, open subspace of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $G \cap Y$  is  $\text{rps-open}$  in  $Y$  whenever  $G$  is  $\text{rps-open}$  in  $X$ .

**Proof:** Let  $G$  be  $\text{rps-open}$  in  $X$ . Let  $F \subseteq Y$  be  $g$ -closed in  $Y$  such that  $F \subseteq G \cap Y$ . Since  $F \subseteq Y \subseteq X$  and  $Y$  is  $g$ -closed and open, by using Theorem 3.4 of [9],  $F$  is  $g$ -closed in  $X$ . Again since  $F \subseteq G \cap Y \subseteq G$  and  $G$  is  $\text{rps-open}$  in  $X$ , by using Theorem 2.6,  $F \subseteq \text{spint}(G)$  and so  $F \subseteq Y \cap \text{spint}(G)$ .

Now  $\text{spint}(G) = G \cap cl(int(cl(G)))$  implies that

$$\begin{aligned} Y \cap \text{spint}(G) &= Y \cap (G \cap cl(int(cl(G)))) = (Y \cap G) \cap (Y \cap cl(int(cl(G)))) \\ &= (G \cap Y) \cap cl_Y(int_Y(cl_Y(G \cap Y))) \end{aligned}$$

$=spint_Y(G \cap Y)$ , where  $int_Y$ ,  $cl_Y$  and  $spint_Y$  denote the corresponding interior, closure and semi-pre-interior in the subspace  $Y$  of  $X$ . This shows that  $F \subseteq spint_Y(G \cap Y)$ . By using Theorem 2.6,  $G \cap Y$  is rps-open in  $Y$ .

The next theorem shows that, the g-closed open subspace of a rps- $T_1$  space is again a rps- $T_1$  space.

**Theorem 4.13:** Let  $Y \subseteq X$  be g-closed and open in  $(X, \tau)$ . If  $(X, \tau)$  is rps- $T_1$  then  $(Y, \tau_Y)$  is also rps- $T_1$ .

**Proof:** Let  $Y$  be g-closed and open in  $(X, \tau)$ . Let  $x$  and  $y$  be any two distinct points of  $Y$ . Suppose  $(X, \tau)$  is a rps- $T_1$  space. Then there exist rps-open sets  $G$  and  $H$  such that  $x \in G$  but  $y \notin G$  and  $y \in H$  but  $x \notin H$ . By using Theorem 4.12,  $Y \cap G$  and  $Y \cap H$  are rps-open in  $Y$ . Clearly  $x \in Y \cap G$  but  $y \notin Y \cap G$  and  $y \in Y \cap H$  and  $x \notin Y \cap H$ . This proves that  $(Y, \tau_Y)$  is also a rps- $T_1$  space.

**Theorem 4.14:** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is rps- $T_{1/2}$  if and only if every subset  $B$  of  $X$  is the intersection of subsets  $A$  of  $X$  containing  $B$  such that  $A$  is semi-pre-closed or rg-open.

**Proof:** Let  $B \subseteq X$ . Let us first show that  $B = \bigcap \{X \setminus \{x\} : x \notin B\}$ . For, if  $x \notin B$  then  $B \subseteq X \setminus \{x\}$ . That is  $B \subseteq X \setminus \{x\}$  for every  $x \notin B$ . So we get  $B \subseteq \bigcap \{X \setminus \{x\} : x \notin B\}$ . On the other hand, let  $y \in X \setminus \{x\}$  for every  $x \notin B$ . Suppose  $y \notin B$ . Then by our choice of  $y$ , we have  $y \in X \setminus \{y\}$  that is impossible. This shows that  $y \in B$  and  $\bigcap \{X \setminus \{x\} : x \notin B\} \subseteq B$ . That is  $B = \bigcap \{X \setminus \{x\} : x \notin B\}$ . Suppose  $(X, \tau)$  is rps- $T_{1/2}$ . By using Theorem 3.10 of [13],  $\{x\}$  is semi-pre-open or rg-closed for every  $x \in X$ . That is  $X \setminus \{x\}$  is rg-open or semi-pre-closed for every  $x \in X$ . Therefore,  $B$  is the intersection of semi-pre-closed sets or rg-open sets containing  $B$ . Conversely, suppose every subset  $B$  of  $X$  is the intersection of subsets  $A$  of  $X$  containing  $B$  such that  $A$  is semi-pre-closed or rg-open. Fix  $x \in X$ . Take  $B = X \setminus \{x\}$ . Then  $B$  is the intersection of semi-pre-closed sets or rg-open sets containing  $B$ . The only sets that contain  $B$  are  $B$  and  $X$ . Now  $B = B \cap X$  and  $B \neq X$ . This implies that  $B = X \setminus \{x\}$  is semi-pre-closed or rg-open. That is  $\{x\}$  is semi-pre-open or rg-closed. By using Theorem 3.10 of [13],  $(X, \tau)$  is rps- $T_{1/2}$ .

**Theorem 4.15:** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is rps- $T_1$  if and only if for every  $x \in X$ ,  $rps-cl(\{x\}) = \{x\}$ .

**Proof:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be  $\text{rps-T}_1$  and  $x \in X$ . Then for each  $y \neq x$ , there exist  $\text{rps-open}$  sets  $G$  and  $H$  such that  $x \in G$  but  $y \notin G$  and  $y \in H$  but  $x \notin H$ . Since  $H$  is  $\text{rps-open}$ ,  $X \setminus H$  is  $\text{rps-closed}$  and  $x \in X \setminus H$  but  $y \notin X \setminus H$ . This implies that  $y \notin \text{rps-cl}(\{x\})$ , for every  $y \in X$  and  $y \neq x$ . Thus  $\{x\} = \text{rps-cl}(\{x\})$ . Conversely, suppose  $\text{rps-cl}(\{x\}) = \{x\}$  for every  $x \in X$ . Let  $x, y$  be any two distinct points in  $X$ . Then  $x \notin \{y\} = \text{rps-cl}(\{y\})$  implies there exists a  $\text{rps-closed}$  set  $B_1$  such that  $y \in B_1$ ,  $x \notin B_1$ . This implies that  $X \setminus B_1$  is a  $\text{rps-open}$  set such that  $x \in X \setminus B_1$  but  $y \notin X \setminus B_1$ . Since  $y \notin \{x\} = \text{rps-cl}(\{x\})$ , there exists a  $\text{rps-closed}$  set  $B_2$  such that  $x \in B_2$ ,  $y \notin B_2$ . That is  $X \setminus B_2$  is a  $\text{rps-open}$  set such that  $y \in X \setminus B_2$  but  $x \notin X \setminus B_2$ . By Definition 4.1,  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_1$ .

**Theorem 4.16:** Let  $f: (X, \tau_1) \rightarrow (Y, \tau_2)$  be bijective.

- (i) If  $f$  is  $\text{rps-continuous}$  and  $(Y, \tau_2)$  is  $T_1$ , then  $(X, \tau_1)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_1$ .
- (ii) If  $f$  is  $\text{rps-irresolute}$  and  $(Y, \tau_2)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_1$ , then  $(X, \tau_1)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_1$ .
- (iii) If  $f$  is  $\text{rps-open}$  and  $(X, \tau_1)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_1$ , then  $(Y, \tau_2)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_1$ .

**Proof:** Let  $f: (X, \tau_1) \rightarrow (Y, \tau_2)$  be bijective.

Suppose  $f: (X, \tau_1) \rightarrow (Y, \tau_2)$  is  $\text{rps-continuous}$  and  $(Y, \tau_2)$  is  $T_1$ . Let  $x_1, x_2 \in X$  with  $x_1 \neq x_2$ . Since  $f$  is bijective,  $y_1 = f(x_1) \neq f(x_2) = y_2$  for some  $y_1, y_2 \in Y$ . Since  $(Y, \tau_2)$  is  $T_1$ , choose open sets  $G$  and  $H$  such that  $y_1 \in G$  but  $y_2 \notin G$  and  $y_2 \in H$  but  $y_1 \notin H$ . Since  $f$  is bijective,  $x_1 = f^{-1}(y_1) \in f^{-1}(G)$  but  $x_2 = f^{-1}(y_2) \notin f^{-1}(G)$  and  $x_2 = f^{-1}(y_2) \in f^{-1}(H)$  but  $x_1 = f^{-1}(y_1) \notin f^{-1}(H)$ . Since  $f$  is  $\text{rps-continuous}$ ,  $f^{-1}(G)$  and  $f^{-1}(H)$  are  $\text{rps-open}$  sets in  $(X, \tau_1)$ . This shows that,  $(X, \tau_1)$  is a  $\text{rps-T}_1$  space. This proves (i). Suppose  $f: (X, \tau_1) \rightarrow (Y, \tau_2)$  is  $\text{rps-irresolute}$  and  $(Y, \tau_2)$  is a  $\text{rps-T}_1$  space. Let  $x_1, x_2 \in X$  with  $x_1 \neq x_2$ . Since  $f$  is bijective,  $y_1 = f(x_1) \neq f(x_2) = y_2$  for some  $y_1, y_2 \in Y$ . Since  $(Y, \tau_2)$  is a  $\text{rps-T}_1$  space, choose  $\text{rps-open}$  sets  $G$  and  $H$  such that  $y_1 \in G$  but  $y_2 \notin G$  and  $y_2 \in H$  but  $y_1 \notin H$ . Again since  $f$  is bijective,  $x_1 = f^{-1}(y_1) \in f^{-1}(G)$  but  $x_2 = f^{-1}(y_2) \notin f^{-1}(G)$  and  $x_2 = f^{-1}(y_2) \in f^{-1}(H)$  but  $x_1 = f^{-1}(y_1) \notin f^{-1}(H)$ . Since  $f$  is  $\text{rps-irresolute}$ ,  $f^{-1}(G)$  and  $f^{-1}(H)$  are  $\text{rps-open}$  sets in  $(X, \tau_1)$ . It follows that  $(X, \tau_1)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_1$ . This proves (ii). Suppose  $f$  is  $\text{rps-open}$  and  $(X, \tau_1)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_1$ . Let  $y_1 \neq y_2 \in Y$ . Since  $f$  is bijective, there exist  $x_1, x_2$  in  $X$  such that  $f(x_1) = y_1$  and  $f(x_2) = y_2$  with  $x_1 \neq x_2$ . Since  $(X, \tau_1)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_1$ , there exist  $\text{rps-open}$  sets  $G$  and  $H$  in  $X$  such that  $x_1 \in G$  but  $x_2 \notin G$  and  $x_2 \in H$  but  $x_1 \notin H$ . Since  $f$  is  $\text{rps-open}$ ,  $f(G)$  and  $f(H)$  are  $\text{rps-open}$  in  $Y$  such that  $y_1 = f(x_1) \in f(G)$

and  $y_2=f(x_2)\in f(H)$ . Since  $f$  is bijective, we have  $y_2=f(x_2)\notin f(G)$  and  $y_1=f(x_1)\notin f(H)$ . Thus  $(Y,\tau_2)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_1$ . This proves (iii).

## 5. $\text{rps-T}_2$ spaces

In this section, we introduce  $\text{rps-T}_2$  spaces and investigate their basic properties.

**Definition 5.1:** A topological space  $(X,\tau)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_2$  if for any two distinct points  $x$  and  $y$  of  $X$ , there exist disjoint  $\text{rps-open}$  sets  $G$  and  $H$  such that  $x\in G$  and  $y\in H$ .

**Proposition 5.2:** (i) Every  $\text{pgpr-T}_2$  space is  $\text{rps-T}_2$ .

(ii) Every  $\text{pre-T}_2$  space is  $\text{rps-T}_2$ .

**Proof:** Suppose  $(X,\tau)$  is  $\text{pgpr-T}_2$ . Let  $x\neq y\in X$ . Since  $(X,\tau)$  is  $\text{pgpr-T}_2$ , by using Definition 2.5, there exist disjoint  $\text{pgpr-open}$  sets  $G$  and  $H$  such that  $x\in G$  and  $y\in H$ . Since every  $\text{pgpr-open}$  set is  $\text{rps-open}$ ,  $G$  and  $H$  are disjoint  $\text{rps-open}$  sets such that  $x\in G$  and  $y\in H$ . This shows that  $(X,\tau)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_2$ . This proves (i). The proof of (ii) follows from the fact that every  $\text{pre-T}_2$  space is  $\text{pgpr-T}_2$  and (i).

The converse of Proposition 4.2 holds in  $\text{rps-T}_{3/4}$  spaces as shown in the following proposition.

**Proposition 5.3:** (i) If a space  $(X,\tau)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_{3/4}$  and  $\text{rps-T}_2$ , then it is  $\text{pre-T}_2$ .

(ii) If a space  $(X,\tau)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_{3/4}$  and  $\text{rps-T}_2$ , then it is  $\text{pgpr-T}_2$ .

**Proof:** Suppose  $(X,\tau)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_{3/4}$  and  $\text{rps-T}_2$ . Let  $x\neq y\in X$ . Since  $(X,\tau)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_2$ , by Definition 5.1, there exist disjoint  $\text{rps-open}$  sets  $G$  and  $H$  such that  $x\in G$  and  $y\in H$ . Then  $X\setminus G$  and  $X\setminus H$  are  $\text{rps-closed}$  in  $X$ . Since  $(X,\tau)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_{3/4}$ ,  $X\setminus G$  and  $X\setminus H$  are  $\text{pre-closed}$ . That is  $G$  and  $H$  are disjoint  $\text{pre-open}$  sets such that  $x\in G$  and  $y\in H$ . Thus  $(X,\tau)$  is  $\text{pre-T}_2$ . This proves (i). Since every  $\text{pre-T}_2$  space is  $\text{pgpr-T}_2$ ,  $(X,\tau)$  is  $\text{pgpr-T}_2$ . This proves (ii).

**Proposition 5.4:** (i) Every  $\text{gpr-T}_{1/2}$  space is  $\text{rps-T}_2$ .

(iii) Every  $\text{preregular-T}_{1/2}$  space is  $\text{rps-T}_2$ .

**Proof:** (i) Follows from the Proposition 5.2 and Lemma 5.2 of [4].

(ii) Follows from the Proposition 5.2 and Proposition 5.6 of [4]

**Theorem 5.5:** Every  $\text{rps-T}_2$  space is  $\text{rps-T}_1$ .

**Proof:** Let  $(X,\tau)$  be a  $\text{rps-T}_2$  space. Let  $x\neq y\in X$ . By Definition 5.1, there exist  $\text{rps-open}$  sets  $G$  and  $H$  such that  $G\cap H=\emptyset$ ,  $x\in G$  and  $y\in H$ . Since  $G\cap H=\emptyset$ , we have  $x\notin H$  and  $y\notin G$ . That is  $x\in G$  but  $y\notin G$  and  $y\in H$  but  $x\notin H$ . This proves that  $(X,\tau)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_1$ .



However, a  $\text{rps-T}_1$  space is not  $\text{rps-T}_2$  as shown in the following example.

**Example 5.6:** Let  $X = G \cup \{x_1\} \cup \{x_2\}$ , where  $G$  denotes any infinite set and  $x_1, x_2$  are two distinct points not in  $G$ . Let  $\tau$  be the family of subsets of  $X$  such that (i)  $A \in \tau$  if  $A \subseteq G$  and (ii)  $A \in \tau$  if  $x_1$  or  $x_2 \in A$  but  $X \setminus A$  contains only a finite number of  $G$ . Then  $\tau$  is a topology for  $X$ . If  $x, y \in X$  with  $x \neq y$ , then, both, any one or none of  $x, y$  may belong to  $G$ . Consequently,  $(\{x\}, \{y\}), (\{x\}, \{y\} \cup [G \setminus \{x\}])$  and  $(\{x\} \cup G, \{y\} \cup G)$  are respectively, then, the pairs of pre-open sets, one containing  $x$  but not  $y$  while the other containing  $y$  but not  $x$ . Hence  $(X, \tau)$  is pre- $\text{T}_1$ . Since every pre- $\text{T}_1$  space is  $\text{rps-T}_1$ ,  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_1$ . Again let  $A$  and  $B$  be two  $\text{rps-open}$  sets such that  $x_1 \in A$  but  $x_2 \notin A$  while  $x_2 \in B$  but  $x_1 \notin B$ . To prove  $(X, \tau)$  is not  $\text{rps-T}_2$ , it suffices to show that  $A \cap B \neq \emptyset$ . Suppose  $A$  is closed. Then  $A$  is  $\text{rg-closed}$ ,  $X \setminus A$  is open and  $A \subseteq A$ . Since  $A$  is  $\text{rps-open}$ , by using Theorem 2.6,  $A \subseteq \text{spint}(A)$ . Always  $\text{spint}(A) \subseteq A$ . Hence  $A = \text{pint}(A)$  and  $A$  is semi-pre-open. Therefore  $A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)))$ . Since  $A$  is closed  $A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) \subseteq \text{cl}(A) \subseteq A$ . That is  $A = \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$ . If  $A$  is not open, then  $\text{int}(A) = A \setminus \{x_1\}$ .

$$\text{Now } \text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) = \text{cl}(A \setminus \{x_1\}) = \begin{cases} A \setminus \{x_1\} \neq A \text{ if } A \text{ is finite} \\ A \cup \{x_1, x_2\} \neq A \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}, \text{ since } x_1 \in A \text{ and } x_2 \notin A$$

This is a contradiction to  $A = \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$ . Therefore  $A$  is open. Now by the definition of  $\tau$ ,  $X \setminus A$  containing  $x_2$  contains only a finite number of members of  $G$ . This contradicts the assertion that  $X \setminus A$  is open. So,  $A$  is not closed, and hence  $X \setminus A$  is not open. Since  $x_2 \in X \setminus A$ ,  $X \setminus (X \setminus A) = A$  cannot have only a finite number of  $G$ , by the definition of  $\tau$ . That is  $A$  contains all points  $G$  except possibly finite number of points of  $G$ . Similarly, it can be shown that  $B$  contains all points of  $G$  except possibly a finite number of points of  $G$ . Hence  $A \cap B \neq \emptyset$ .

**Theorem 5.7:** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\text{rps-T}_2$  if and only if the intersection of all  $\text{rps-closed}$ ,  $\text{rps-neighborhoods}$  of each point of the space is reduced to that point.

**Proof:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a  $\text{rps-T}_2$  space and  $x \in X$ . Then for each  $y \neq x$  in  $X$ , there exist disjoint  $\text{rps-open}$  sets  $U$  and  $V$  such that  $x \in U$ ,  $y \in V$ . Now  $U \cap V = \emptyset$  implies  $x \in U \subseteq X \setminus V$ . That is  $X \setminus V$  is a  $\text{rps-neighborhood}$  of  $x$ . Since  $V$  is  $\text{rps-open}$ ,  $X \setminus V$  is  $\text{rps-closed}$  and  $\text{rps-neighborhood}$  of  $x$  to which  $y$  does not belong. That is there is a  $\text{rps-closed}$ ,  $\text{rps-neighborhood}$  of  $x$ , which does not contain  $y$ . So we get the intersection of all  $\text{rps-closed}$ ,  $\text{rps-neighborhoods}$  of  $x$  is  $\{x\}$ . Conversely, let  $x, y \in X$  such that  $x \neq y$  in  $X$ . Then by our assumption, there exists a  $\text{rps-closed}$ ,

rps-neighborhood  $V$  of  $x$  such that  $y \notin V$ . Since  $V$  is a rps-neighborhood of  $x$ , there exists a rps-open set  $U$  such that  $x \in U \subseteq V$ . Thus,  $U$  and  $X \setminus V$  are disjoint rps-open sets containing  $x$  and  $y$  respectively. It follows that  $(X, \tau)$  is rps- $T_2$ .

The next theorem shows that, a g-closed open subspace of a rps- $T_2$  space is again a rps- $T_2$  space.

**Theorem 5.8:** Let  $Y$  be a g-closed and open subspace of  $X$ . If  $(X, \tau)$  is rps- $T_2$  then  $(Y, \tau_Y)$  is also rps- $T_2$ .

**Proof:** Suppose  $(X, \tau)$  is rps- $T_2$ . Let  $x$  and  $y$  be any two distinct points in  $Y$ . Then  $x, y \in X$ . Since  $(X, \tau)$  is rps- $T_2$ , by using Definition 5.1, there exist disjoint rps-open sets  $G$  and  $H$  in  $X$  such that  $x \in G$  and  $y \in H$ . By using Theorem 4.12,  $Y \cap G$  and  $Y \cap H$  are disjoint rps-open sets in  $Y$ . Clearly  $x \in Y \cap G$  and  $y \in Y \cap H$ . This proves that  $(Y, \tau_Y)$  is also a rps- $T_2$  space.

**Theorem 4.8:** Let  $f: (X, \tau_1) \rightarrow (Y, \tau_2)$  be bijective.

- (i) If  $f$  is rps-continuous and  $(Y, \tau_2)$  is  $T_2$ , then  $(X, \tau_1)$  is rps- $T_2$ .
- (ii) If  $f$  is rps-irresolute and  $(Y, \tau_2)$  is rps- $T_2$ , then  $(X, \tau_1)$  is rps- $T_2$ .
- (iii) If  $f$  is rps-open and  $(X, \tau_1)$  is rps- $T_2$ , then  $(Y, \tau_2)$  is rps- $T_2$ .

**Proof:** Let  $f: (X, \tau_1) \rightarrow (Y, \tau_2)$  be a bijective function. Suppose  $(Y, \tau_2)$  is  $T_2$  and  $f$  is rps-continuous. Let  $x_1, x_2 \in X$  with  $x_1 \neq x_2$ . Since  $f$  is bijective,  $y_1 = f(x_1) \neq f(x_2) = y_2$  for some  $y_1, y_2 \in Y$ . Since  $(Y, \tau_2)$  is  $T_2$ , there exist disjoint open sets  $G$  and  $H$  such that  $y_1 \in G$  and  $y_2 \in H$ . Since  $f$  is bijective,  $x_1 = f^{-1}(y_1) \in f^{-1}(G)$  and  $x_2 = f^{-1}(y_2) \in f^{-1}(H)$ . Since  $f$  is rps-continuous,  $f^{-1}(G)$  and  $f^{-1}(H)$  are rps-open sets in  $(X, \tau_1)$ . Moreover,  $f^{-1}(G) \cap f^{-1}(H) = f^{-1}(G \cap H) = f^{-1}(\emptyset) = \emptyset$ . Thus  $(X, \tau_1)$  is rps- $T_2$ . This proves (i). Suppose  $f: (X, \tau_1) \rightarrow (Y, \tau_2)$  is rps-irresolute and  $(Y, \tau_2)$  is rps- $T_2$ . Let  $x_1, x_2 \in X$  with  $x_1 \neq x_2$ . Since  $f$  is bijective,  $y_1 = f(x_1) \neq f(x_2) = y_2$  for some  $y_1, y_2 \in Y$ . Since  $(Y, \tau_2)$  is rps- $T_2$ , by using Definition 5.1, there exist disjoint rps-open sets  $G$  and  $H$  such that  $y_1 \in G$  and  $y_2 \in H$ . Since  $f$  is a bijective map, we have  $x_1 = f^{-1}(y_1) \in f^{-1}(G)$  and  $x_2 = f^{-1}(y_2) \in f^{-1}(H)$ . Since  $f$  is rps-irresolute,  $f^{-1}(G)$  and  $f^{-1}(H)$  are rps-open sets in  $(X, \tau_1)$ . Also  $f^{-1}(G) \cap f^{-1}(H) = f^{-1}(G \cap H) = f^{-1}(\emptyset) = \emptyset$ . This shows that,  $(X, \tau_1)$  is rps- $T_2$ . This proves (ii). Suppose  $f$  is rps-open and  $(X, \tau_1)$  is rps- $T_2$ . Let  $y_1 \neq y_2 \in Y$ . Now since  $f$  is bijective, there exist  $x_1, x_2$  in  $X$  such that  $f(x_1) = y_1$ ,  $f(x_2) = y_2$  and  $x_1 \neq x_2$ . Since  $(X, \tau_1)$  is rps- $T_2$ , by Definition 5.1, there exist disjoint rps-

open sets  $G$  and  $H$  in  $X$  such that  $x_1 \in G$  and  $x_2 \in H$ . Since  $f$  is rps-open,  $f(G)$  and  $f(H)$  are disjoint rps-open sets in  $Y$  such that  $y_1 = f(x_1) \in f(G)$  and  $y_2 = f(x_2) \in f(H)$ . Therefore,  $(Y, \tau_2)$  is rps- $T_2$ . This proves (iii).

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