

## On $p\theta$ -open sets in topological spaces

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### Abstract

The aim of this paper is to introduce and study some properties of pre- $\theta$ -open sets, and study a new class of spaces, called  $p^\theta$ -regular space. Determine some properties of  $p^\theta$ -regularity and compare with other types of regular spaces.

### Introduction

Julian Dontchev, Maximilian Ganster and Takashi Noiri (2000) has introduced the concept of  $p\theta$ -open sets in topological spaces. The purpose of the present paper is to introduce and investigate a new separation axiom called  $p^\theta$ -regular space, by using such sets, we have proved that  $p^\theta$ -open and  $\theta$ -open set are identical in  $p^\theta$ -regular spaces.

### Definitions and Preliminaries

By a space  $X$  we mean a topological space on which no separation axioms is assumed, we recall the following definitions, notational conventions and characterizations. The closure (resp., Interior) of a subset  $A$  of  $X$  is denoted by  $ClA$  (resp.,  $IntA$ ). A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is said to be preopen (Mashour A.S., Abd-El-Monsef M.E. and El-Deeb S.N., 1982) (resp., pre-regular  $p$ -open (Ganster, 1987),  $\theta$ -open (Velico, 1968),  $p\theta$ -open (Ganster, 2000),  $\delta$ -open (Velico, 1968),  $p\delta$ -open (Hussein, 2003) of a space  $X$ , if and only if  $A \subset InclA$  (resp.,  $A = pIntApClA$ , if for each  $x \in A$ , there exist an open (resp., preopen, open, preopen) set  $G$ , such that  $x \in G \subset clG \subset A$ , (resp.,  $x \in G \subset pclG \subset A$ ,  $x \in G \subset IntClG \subset A$ ,  $x \in G \subset pIntpClG \subset A$ ). The family of all preopen (resp., pre-regular  $p$ -open,  $\theta$ -open,  $p\theta$ -open,  $\delta$ -open,  $p\delta$ -open) set of a space  $X$ , is such that  $x \in G \subset clG \subset A$ , (resp.,  $x \in G \subset pclG \subset A$ ,  $x \in G \subset IntClG \subset A$ ,  $x \in G \subset pIntpClG \subset A$ ). The family of all preopen (resp., pre-regular  $p$ -open,  $\theta$ -open,  $p\theta$ -open,  $\delta$ -open,  $p\delta$ -open) set of a space  $X$ , is denoted by  $PO(X)$  (resp.,  $PRPO(X)$ ,  $\theta O(X)$ ,  $P\theta O(X)$ ,  $\delta O(X)$ ,  $P\delta O(X)$ ). The complement of preopen (resp., pre-regular  $p$ -open,  $\theta$ -open,  $p\theta$ -open,

$\delta$ -open,  $p\delta$ -open) set is called preclosed (resp., pre-regular  $p$ -closed,  $\theta$ -closed,  $P\theta$ -closed,  $\delta$ -closed,  $p\delta$ -closed) set. The intersection of all preclosed (resp.,  $\theta$ -closed,  $\delta$ -closed,  $p\delta$ -closed) sets containing  $A$  is called preclosure (resp.,  $\theta$ -closure and  $P\theta$ -closure,  $\delta$ -closure,  $p\delta$ -closure). and is denoted by  $pclA$  (resp.,  $cl_{\theta}A$  and  $pcl_{\theta}A$ ,  $\delta-clA$ ,  $pcl_{\delta}A$ ) The union of all preopen (resp.,  $\theta$ -open,  $\delta$ -open,  $p\delta$ -open) sets contained in  $A$  is called preinterior (resp.,  $\theta$ -interior and  $P\theta$ -interior,  $\delta$ -interior,  $p\delta$ -interior) .and is denoted by  $pIntA$  (resp.,  $\theta-IntA$  and  $pInt_{\theta}A$ ,  $\delta-IntA$ ,  $pInt_{\delta}A$ ) . A space  $X$  is said to be submaximal (Ganster,1987) if and only if every dense subset of  $X$  is open set. A space  $X$  is said to be pre- $T_2$  (Mashour et al,1982) if for each  $x,y \in X$ , such that  $x \neq y$ , there exist disjoint preopen sets  $G,H$ , such that  $x \in G$  and  $y \in H$ . A space  $X$  is said to be  $p^*$ -regular (Ahmad,1990) (resp.,  $p^{**}$ -regular) iff for every  $x \in X$ , and every preclosed set  $F$  such that  $x \notin F$ , there exist disjoint preopen (resp., open) set  $G,H$  such that  $x \in G$  and  $F \subseteq H$ .

**Definition 1:**

Let  $A$  be any subset of space  $X$ . A point  $x \in X$  is in the preclosure of  $A$  (briefly  $x \in pclA$ ) (resp.,  $x \in cl_{\theta}A$ ,  $x \in pcl_{\theta}A$ ,  $x \in pcl_{\delta}A$ ) if and only if, for each  $G \in PO(X)$  (resp.,  $G \in \tau$ ,  $G \in PO(X)$ ,  $G \in P\delta O(X)$ ) containing  $x$ ,  $A \cap G \neq \emptyset$  (resp.,  $A \cap ClG \neq \emptyset$ ,  $A \cap pClG \neq \emptyset$ ,  $A \cap pcl_{\delta}G \neq \emptyset$ ). For properties of definition 1 see (Hussein,2003).

**Theorem (1):**

The following are equivalent about a space  $X$ :  
 1- $X$  is Alexandroff.  
 2-Any intersection of open sets is open.  
 3-Any union of closed sets is closed.

**Theorem (2):** (Ganster,1987)

A space  $X$  is submaximal iff every preopen set is open.

**Theorem (3):** (Ahmad,1990)

$pCl(G_1 \times G_2) \subseteq pCl(G_1) \times pCl(G_2)$ .

**Theorem (4):** (Dontchev et al, 2000)

Let  $(Y, \tau_Y)$  be a subspace of a space  $X$ .  $A \subset Y$ , if  $A \in PO(X)$ , then  $A \in PO(Y)$ .

**Theorem (5):** (Ganster&Jafari, 2002)

If  $Y \in PO(X)$  and  $A \in PO(Y)$ , then  $A \in PO(X)$ .

### Some properties of pre- $\theta$ -open sets

**Lemma 1:**

Each pre- $\theta$ -open sets can be written as a union of preopen set.

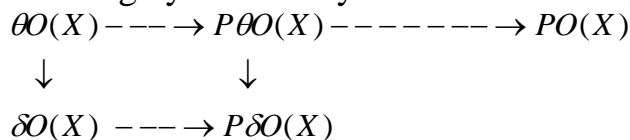
**Proof :**

Let  $A \in P\theta O (X)$  then for each  $x \in A$  there exist  $B \in PO (X)$  s.t.  $x \in B \subset \text{pcl}B \subset A$ , then  $\cup \{x; x \in A\} \subset \cup_{x \in B} B \subset A$  Therefore  $A = \cup_{x \in B} B$

**Lemma 2:**

Any union of  $P\theta$ -open set is  $P\theta$ -open.

We have the following diagram of implications and any other implication, except these resulting by transitivity can not be add in general



it is clear that from diagram every  $p\theta$ -open set is preopen set, and every  $\theta$ -open set is  $P\theta$ -open set. but the converse may not be true in general as in the following example shown.

**Example 1 :** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ , and  $\tau_1 = \{\Phi, X, \{a\}\}$ ,  $\tau_2 = \{\Phi, X, \{a, b\}\}$ , then  $PO(X, \tau_1) = \{\Phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$  and  $P\theta O (X, \tau_1) = \{\Phi, X\}$ . Also  $P\theta O (X, \tau_2) = P(X) / \{\{c\}\}$  but  $\theta O (X, \tau_2) = \{\Phi, X\}$ .

**Remark 1:**

The intersection of two  $P\theta$ -open sets need not be  $P\theta$ -open set in general

**Example 2 :** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\Phi, X, \{a, b\}\}$ , then  $\{a, c\} \in P\theta O (X)$  and  $\{b, c\} \in P\theta O (X)$  but  $\{a, c\} \cap \{b, c\} = \{c\} \notin P\theta O (X)$ .

**Lemma 3:**

$\theta O (X)$  and  $P\theta O(X)$  are identical if  $(X, \tau)$  is submaximal.

**Proof :** From diagram we have every  $\theta O(X)$  is  $P\theta O(X)$ , so to show that  $\theta O(X)$  is  $P\theta O(X)$  are identical, we have only to show that  $P\theta O(X)$  is  $\theta O(X)$ . Let  $A \in P\theta O (X)$  then for all  $x \in A$ , there exist  $G \in PO (X)$  s.t.  $x \in G \subset \text{Pcl}G \subset A$ , but since  $X$  is submaximal, we have  $PO (X) = \tau$ , so that  $G \in \tau$  therefore  $\text{Pcl}G = \text{cl}G$ , it follows that  $x \in G \subset \text{cl}G \subset A$ , hence  $A \in \theta O (X)$ .

**Proposition 1:**

If  $(X, \tau)$  is  $P^*$ -regular, then every open set is  $P\theta$ -open.

**Proof :** Let  $A \in \tau$ , we have to show that  $A \in P\theta O (X)$ ,  $A \in PO (X)$  by theorem 3.2.1 [1]. For each  $x \in A$ , there exist  $B \in PO (X)$  such that  $x \in B \subset \text{Pcl}B \subset A$ , which implies that  $A \in P\theta O (X)$ .

**Corollary 2:**  $PO(X)$  and  $P\theta O(X)$  are identical if  $X$  is  $p^*$ -regular space.

**Proposition 2:**

Let  $X_1, X_2$  be two topological spaces and  $X = X_1 \times X_2$ , let  $A \in P\theta O(X_i)$  for  $i=1,2$ , then  $A_1 \times A_2 \in P\theta(X_1 \times X_2)$ .

**Proof :** Let  $(x_1, x_2) \in A_1 \times A_2$  then  $x_1 \in A_1$  and  $x_2 \in A_2$  since  $A_1, A_2 \in P\theta O(X_i)$ , there exist preopen sets  $G_1, G_2$  such that  $x_1 \in G_1 \subset pCl G_1 \subset A_1$  and

$x_2 \in G_2 \subset pCl G_2 \subset A_2, (x_1, x_2) \in G_1 \times G_2 \subset pCl G_1 \times pCl G_2 \subset A_1 \times A_2$  but  $G_1 \times G_2 \subset pCl(G_1 \times G_2)$ , and  $pCl(G_1 \times G_2) \subset pCl G_1 \times pCl G_2$  it follows that  $(x_1, x_2) \in G_1 \times G_2 \subset pCl(G_1 \times G_2) \subset A_1 \times A_2$  so that  $A_1 \times A_2 \in P\theta(X_1 \times X_2)$ .

**Proposition 3:**

Let  $(Y, \tau_Y)$  be a subspace of a space  $(X, \tau)$ . If  $A \in Y$  and  $A \in P\theta O(X)$  then  $A \in PO(Y)$

**Proof :** Let  $A \in P\theta O(X)$ , to show that  $A \in PO(Y)$  we have  $A \in P\theta O(X)$ , then for each  $x \in A$ , there exist  $G \in PO(X)$  such that  $x \in G \subset pCl_x G \subset A$ , but  $G \in PO(X)$  and  $G \subset A$ , but  $A \subset Y$ , then  $G \subset Y$  so that  $G \in PO(Y)$  by theorem(3), hence  $G \subset pCl_x G$ , but  $G = G \cap Y \subset pCl_x G \cap Y \subset A \cap Y = A$  so for each  $x \in A$ , there exist  $G \in PO(Y)$  such that  $x \in G \subset pCl_y G \subset A$ , so that  $A \in P\theta O(Y)$ .

**Proposition 4:**

Let  $(Y, \tau_Y)$  be a subspace of a space  $X$ , If  $Y \in PO(X)$  and  $A \in P\theta O(Y)$ , then  $A \in P\theta O(X)$ .

**Proof:** follows from theorem (4).

**Proposition 5:**

A space  $X$  is pre- $T_2$  iff for each  $x, y \in X$ , such that  $x \neq y$ , there exist preopen sets  $G, H$ , such that  $x \in G$  and  $y \notin pCl G$ .

**Proof:** Obvious.

**Theorem (6):**

A space  $X$  is pre- $T_2$  if and only if every sengelton set is pre- $\theta$ -closed

**Proof:** (Necessity)

Let  $H = \{a\}$ , and let  $b \notin H$ , we have  $a \neq b$ , since  $X$  is pre- $T_2$  by theorem 5, there exist a preopen set  $G$  such that  $b \in G$  and  $a \notin pCl G$ ,  $pCl G \cap H = \emptyset$ , therefor  $b \notin pCl_0 H$ , it follows that  $H$  pre- $\theta$ -closed set. (Sufficiency) Let  $a, b \in X$  such that  $a \neq b$ , and let  $H = \{a\}$ , by hypothesis  $H$  pre- $\theta$ -closed, we have  $b \notin pCl_0 H$ , there exist a preopen set  $G$  such that  $b \in G, pCl G \cap H = \emptyset$ , then  $a \notin pCl G, a \in X / pCl G, X / pCl G \cap G = \emptyset, G$  and  $X / pCl G$  are preopen sets which containing  $b, a$  respectively, therefor  $X$  is pre- $T_2$ .

## **P $\theta$ -regular space**

### **Definition 1:**

A space  $X$  is said to be  $P\theta$ -regular iff for each  $P\theta$ -closed set  $F$  and a point  $x \in X$  such that  $x \notin F$ , there exist two open sets  $G$  and  $H$  such that  $x \in G$ ,  $F \subset H$  and  $G \cap H = \Phi$ .

### **Proposition 1:**

Each  $P^{**}$ -regular space is  $P\theta$ -regular.

The converse of the above lemma is not true in general as the following example show

**Example 1:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ , and  $\tau = \{\Phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$  then  $PO(X) = \tau$ , and  $P\theta O(X) = \{\Phi, X\}$ , then  $X$  is  $P\theta$ -regular which is not  $P^{**}$ -regular.

### **Theorem (1):**

For any topological space  $(X, \tau)$  the following are equivalent:-

- i-  $(X, \tau)$  is  $P\theta$ -regular
- ii- For every  $x \in X$  and every  $P\theta$ -open set  $A$  containing  $x$  there exists an open set  $B$  such that  $x \in B \subset \text{cl}B \subset A$ .
- iii- Every  $P\theta$ -closed set  $F$  is the intersection of all closed nbd of  $F$ .
- iv- For every non-empty subset  $A$  of  $X$  and every  $P\theta$ -open subset  $B$  of  $X$  such that  $A \cap B \neq \Phi$ ,  $\exists$  an open set  $C$  of  $X$  such that  $A \cap C \neq \Phi$  and  $\text{cl}C \subset B$ .
- v- For every non-empty subset  $A$  of  $X$  and every  $P\theta$ -closed subset  $F$  of  $X$  such that  $A \cap F = \Phi$ , there exist two open sets  $B$  and  $C$  s.t.  $A \cap B \neq \Phi$ ,  $B \cap C = \Phi$  and  $F \subset C$ .

**Proof :** (i)  $\rightarrow$  (ii) Let  $A$  be a  $P\theta$ -open set of  $X$  containing  $x$ ,  $X \setminus A$  is  $P\theta$ -closed subset of  $X$  and  $x \notin X \setminus A$  by (i), there exist two open subsets  $B$  and  $C$  such that  $x \in B$ ,  $X \setminus A \subset C$ , and  $B \cap C = \Phi$ , therefore  $x \in B \subset X \setminus C \subset A$  hence  $x \in B \subset \text{cl}B \subset \text{cl}(X \setminus C) = X \setminus C \subset A$  which implies that  $x \in B \subset \text{cl}B \subset A$

(ii)  $\rightarrow$  (iii): Let  $F$  be  $P\theta$ -closed, and  $x \notin F$ , then  $x \in X \setminus F$ , and  $X \setminus F$  is a  $P\theta$ -open subset of  $X$ , using (ii) there exists an open set  $B$  such that  $x \in B \subset \text{cl}B \subset X \setminus F$ , hence  $F \subset X \setminus \text{cl}B \subset X \setminus B$  consequently  $X \setminus B$  is a closed nbd of  $F$  to which  $x$  does not belong, this proves (iii).

(iii)  $\rightarrow$  (iv) let  $\Phi \neq A \subset X$ , and  $B$  be any  $P\theta$ -open subset of  $X$  s.t.  $A \cap B \neq \Phi$ , let  $x \in A \cap B$ , since  $x \notin X \setminus B$  is  $P\theta$ -closed so there exists a closed nbd of  $X \setminus B$ , say  $E$  such that  $x \notin E$ , let  $X \setminus B \subset D \subset E$ , where  $D$  is an open set, then  $C = X \setminus E$  and  $x \in C$ , and  $A \cap C \neq \Phi$  also  $X \setminus D$  being closed,  $\text{cl}C = \text{cl}(X \setminus E) \subset X \setminus D \subset B$ , hence  $\text{cl}C \subset B$ .

(iv)  $\rightarrow$  (v): let  $\Phi \neq A \subset X$ , and  $F$  be any  $P\theta$ -closed subset  $X$  such that  $A \cap F = \Phi$ , then  $A \cap X \setminus F \neq \Phi$  and  $X \setminus F$  is  $P\theta$ -open subset using (iv) there exists an open

subset  $B$  of  $X$  such that  $A \cap B \neq \Phi$  and  $B \subset \text{cl}B \subset X \setminus F$ . Putting  $C = X \setminus \text{cl}B$  then  $F \subset C \subset X \setminus B$  and  $C$  is open, this implies (v).

(v)  $\rightarrow$  (i): Let  $x \notin F$  where  $F$  is  $P\theta$ -closed, and let  $A = \{x\} \neq \Phi$ , then  $A \cap F = \Phi$ , and hence using (v)  $\exists$  two open sets  $B$  and  $C$  such that  $A \cap B \neq \Phi$ ,  $B \cap C = \Phi$ , and  $F \subset C$  which implies that  $(X, \tau)$  is  $P\theta$ -regular.

**Proposition 2:**

A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is  $P\theta$ -regular iff for every  $x \notin F$ ,  $F$  is  $P\theta$ -closed,  $\exists$  two open subsets  $G$  and  $H$  s.t.  $x \in G$  and  $F \subset H$  and  $\text{cl}G \cap \text{cl}H = \Phi$ .

**Proof:** The sufficiency follows directly, and necessity follows from theorem 4.1ii.

**Proposition 3:**

If  $A$  is clopen subset of  $X$ , then  $A$  is  $P\theta$ -open set.

**Proof:** If  $A = \Phi$ , there is nothing to prove, if  $A \neq \Phi$ , let  $x \in A$ , then  $x \in A \subset \text{pcl}A = A \cup \text{clInt}A \subset A$ .

**Theorem 3:**

If  $X$  is Alexandroff and  $P\theta$ -regular space, then every  $p\theta$ -open set  $A$  is clopen set.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be  $P\theta$ -open set, then by (theorem 4.1 ii), there exist an open set  $G_x$  such that  $x \in G_x \subset \text{cl}G_x \subset A$ , hence  $A = \cup_{x \in A} \{G_x, x \in A\} = \bigcup_{x \in A} \{\text{cl}G_x, x \in A\}$  it

follows that  $A$  is open set since  $X$  is Alexandroff space union of any closed set is closed  $\cup_{x \in A} \text{cl}G_x$  is closed, then  $A$  is closed. Therefore  $A$  is closed as well as open.

**Theorem 4:**

If  $X$  is  $P\theta$ -regular space then  $P\theta O(X) = \theta O(X)$ .

**Proof:** Let  $A \in P\theta O(X)$ , since  $X$  is  $P\theta$ -regular, by theorem (4.1ii) for each  $x \in A$ , There exist an open set  $G$  such that  $x \in G \subset \text{cl}G \subset A$ , therefor  $A \in \theta O(X)$

The converse part follows from above diagram

**Theorem 5:**

A space  $X$  is  $P\theta$ -regular if  $PO(X, \tau) = \tau$ .

**Proof:** It is not hard and therefore it is omitted.

**Theorem 6:**

Every  $P\theta$ -regular and  $pT_0$ -space  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $T_2$ -space.

**Proof:** Let  $x, y \in X$ , such that  $x \neq y$ , since  $X$  is  $preT_0$ -space, then, there exist a preopen set  $A$  containing  $x$  but not  $y$ ,  $A$  is  $P\theta$ -open set containing  $x$  but not  $y$ , since  $X$  is  $P\theta$ -regular and  $x \in A$ ,  $\exists$  an open set  $B$  s.t.  $x \in B \subset \text{cl}B \subset A$ .

Hence  $B$  and  $X \setminus \text{cl}B$  are open subsets of  $X$  such that  $x \in B$ ,  $y \in X \setminus \text{cl}B$  and  $B \cap X \setminus \text{cl}B = \Phi$  which implies that  $X$  is a  $T_2$ -space.

**Theorem 7:**

If  $X \times Y$  is  $P\theta$ -regular then both  $X$  and  $Y$  are  $P\theta$ -regular.

**Proof:** Let  $x \in A$ , where  $A$  is  $P\theta$ -open subset of  $X$ , then for every  $y \in Y$ ,  $(x,y) \in A \times Y$  where  $A \times Y$  is  $P\theta$ -open subset of  $X \times Y$  (by Theorem 4.1) using  $P\theta$ -regularity of  $X \times Y \exists$  an open set  $G$  of  $X \times Y$  Such that  $(x,y) \in G \subset \text{cl}_{X \times Y} G \subset G \times Y$  Putting  $G = U \times V$  where  $U$  and  $V$  are open set in  $X \times Y$  respectively. Then  $(x,y) \in U \times V \subset \text{cl}_{X \times Y} U \times \text{cl}_{X \times Y} V \subset A \times Y$ , therefore  $x \in U \subset \text{cl}_{X \times Y} U \subset A$ , then  $X$  is  $P\theta$ -regular. Similarly we can prove that  $Y$  is  $P\theta$ -regular.

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## الفضاء التبولوجي في المجموعة المفتوحة $p\theta$

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### الخلاصة

هدف من هذا البحث هو تقديم ودراسة المجموعات المفتوحة من النمط  $P\theta$ ، وادخال صنف جديد من الفضاءات المنتظمة سميت  $P\theta$ -regular، دراسة بعض خواصها ومقارنتها مع الفضاءات الاخرى .