

On sg-Separation Axioms

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ABSTRACT

In this paper we define almost sg-normality and mild sg-normality, continue the study of further properties of sg-normality. We show that these three axioms are regular open hereditary. Also define the class of almost sg-irresolute mappings and show that sg-normality is invariant under almost sg-irresolute M-sg-open continuous surjection.

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1. INTRODUCTION

In 1967, A. Wilansky has introduced the concept of US spaces. In 1968, C.E. Aull studied some separation axioms between the T_1 and T_2 spaces, namely, S_1 and S_2 . Next, in 1982, S.P. Arya et al have introduced and studied the concept of semi-US spaces and also they made study of s-convergence, sequentially semi-closed sets, sequentially s-compact notions. G.B. Navlaji studied P-Normal Almost-P-Normal, Mildly-P-Normal and Pre-US spaces. Recently S. Balasubramanian and P.Arana Swathi Vjyayanthi studied ν -Normal Almost- ν -Normal, Mildly- ν -Normal and ν -US spaces. Inspired with these we introduce sg-Normal Almost- sg-Normal, Mildly- sg-Normal, sg-US, sg- S_1 and sg- S_2 . Also we examine sg-convergence, sequentially sg-compact, sequentially sg-continuous maps, and sequentially sub sg-continuous maps in the context of these new concepts. All notions and symbols which are not defined in this paper may be found in the appropriate references. Throughout the paper X and Y denote Topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed explicitly stated.

2. PRELIMINARIES

2.1. Definition 2.1

$A \subset X$ is called (i) g-closed if $cl A \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in X .

(ii) sg-closed if $scl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is semiopen in X .

2.2. Definition 2.2

A space X is said to be

(i) T_1 (T_2) if for any $x \neq y$ in X , there exist (disjoint) open sets U, V in X such that $x \in U$ and $y \in V$.

(ii) Weakly Hausdorff if each point of X is the intersection of regular closed sets of X .

(iii) Normal [resp: mildly normal] if for any pair of disjoint [resp: regular-closed] closed sets F_1 and F_2 , there exist disjoint open sets U and V such that $F_1 \subset U$ and $F_2 \subset V$.

(iv) Almost normal if for each closed set A and each regular closed set B such that $A \cap B = \emptyset$, there exist disjoint open sets U and V such that $A \subset U$ and $B \subset V$.

(v) Weakly regular if for each pair consisting of a regular closed set A and a point x such that $A \cap \{x\} = \emptyset$, there exist disjoint open sets U and V such that $x \in U$ and $A \subset V$.

(vi) A subset A of a space X is S-closed relative to X if every cover of A by semiopen sets of X has a finite subfamily whose closures cover A .

(vii) R_0 if for any point x and a closed set F with $x \notin F$ in X , there exists a open set G containing F but not x .

(viii) R_1 iff for $x, y \in X$ with $cl\{x\} \neq cl\{y\}$, there exist disjoint open sets U and V such that $cl\{x\} \subset U, cl\{y\} \subset V$.

(ix) US-space if every convergent sequence has exactly one limit point to which it converges.

(x) pre-US space if every pre-convergent sequence has exactly one limit point to which it converges.

(xi) pre- S_1 if it is pre-US and every sequence $\langle x_n \rangle$ pre-converges with subsequence of $\langle x_n \rangle$ pre-side points.

(xii) pre- S_2 if it is pre-US and every sequence $\langle x_n \rangle$ in X pre-converges which has no pre-side point.

(xiii) is weakly countable compact if every infinite subset of X has a limit point in X .

(xiv) Baire space if for any countable collection of closed sets with empty interior in X , their union also has empty interior in X .

2.3. Definition 2.3

Let $A \subset X$. Then a point x is said to be a

(i) limit point of A if each open set containing x contains some point y of A such that $x \neq y$.

(ii) T_0 -limit point of A if each open set containing x contains some point y of A such that $cl\{x\} \neq cl\{y\}$, or equivalently, such that they are topologically distinct.

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(iii) T_0 -limit point of A if each open set containing x contains some point y of A such that $pcl\{x\} \neq pcl\{y\}$, or equivalently, such that they are topologically distinct.

Note 1: Recall that two points are topologically distinguishable or distinct if there exists an open set containing one of the points but not the other; equivalently if they have disjoint closures. In fact, the T_0 -axiom is precisely to ensure that any two distinct points are topologically distinct.

Example 1: Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $\tau = \{\{a\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, X, \emptyset\}$. Then b and c are the limit points but not the T_0 -limit points of the set $\{b, c\}$. Further d is a T_0 -limit point of $\{b, c\}$.

Example 2: Let $X = (0, 1)$ and $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \text{and } U_n = (0, 1 - 1/n), n = 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$. Then every point of X is a limit point of X . Every point of $X - U_2$ is a T_0 -limit point of X , but no point of U_2 is a T_0 -limit point of X .

2.4. Definition 2.4

A set A together with all its T_0 -limit points will be denoted by $T_0\text{-cl}A$.

Note 2: i. Every T_0 -limit point of a set A is a limit point of the set but the converse is not true in general.

ii. In T_0 -space both are same.

Note 3: R_0 -axiom is weaker than T_1 -axiom. It is independent of the T_0 -axiom. However $T_1 = R_0 + T_0$

Note 4: Every countable compact space is weakly countable compact but converse is not true in general. However, a T_1 -space is weakly countable compact iff it is countable compact.

3. sg- T_0 LIMIT POINT

3.1. Definition 3.01

In X , a point x is said to be a $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point of A if each sg -open set containing x contains some point y of A such that $sgcl\{x\} \neq sgcl\{y\}$, or equivalently; such that they are topologically distinct with respect to sg -open sets.

Note 5: regular open set \Rightarrow open set \Rightarrow semi-open set \Rightarrow sg -open set we have

$r\text{-}T_0$ -limit point \Rightarrow T_0 -limit point \Rightarrow $s\text{-}T_0$ -limit point \Rightarrow $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point

Example 3: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$. For $A = \{a, b\}$, a is $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point.

3.2. Definition 3.02

A set A together with all its $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit points is denoted by $T_0\text{-sgcl}(A)$

3.3. Lemma 3.01

If x is a $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point of a set A then x is sg -limit point of A .

3.4. Lemma 3.02

(i) If X is $sg\text{-}T_0$ -space then every $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point and every sg -limit point are equivalent.

(ii) If X is $r\text{-}T_0$ -space then every $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point and every sg -limit point are equivalent.

3.5. Theorem 3.03

For $x \neq y \in X$,

(i) x is a $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point of $\{y\}$ iff $x \notin sgcl\{y\}$ and $y \in sgcl\{x\}$.

(ii) x is not a $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point of $\{y\}$ iff either $x \in sgcl\{y\}$ or $sgcl\{x\} = sgcl\{y\}$.

(iii) x is not a $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point of $\{y\}$ iff either $x \in sgcl\{y\}$ or $y \in sgcl\{x\}$.

3.6. Corollary 3.04

(i) If x is a $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point of $\{y\}$, then y cannot be a sg -limit point of $\{x\}$.

(ii) If $sgcl\{x\} = sgcl\{y\}$, then neither x is a $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point of $\{y\}$ nor y is a $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point of $\{x\}$.

(iii) If a singleton set A has no $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point in X , then $sgclA = sgcl\{x\}$ for all $x \in sgcl\{A\}$.

3.7. Lemma 3.05

In X , if x is a sg -limit point of a set A , then in each of the following cases x becomes $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point of A ($\{x\} \neq A$).

(i) $sgcl\{x\} \neq sgcl\{y\}$ for $y \in A, x \neq y$.

(ii) $sgcl\{x\} = \{x\}$

(iii) X is a $sg\text{-}T_0$ -space.

(iv) $A - \{x\}$ is sg -open

4. sg- T_0 AND $sg\text{-}R_i$ AXIOMS, $i = 0, 1$

In view of Lemma 3.6(iii), $sg\text{-}T_0$ -axiom implies the equivalence of the concept of limit point of a set with that of $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point of the set. But for the converse, if $x \in sgcl\{y\}$ then $sgcl\{x\} \neq sgcl\{y\}$ in general, but if x is a $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point of $\{y\}$, then $sgcl\{x\} = sgcl\{y\}$.

4.1. Lemma 4.01

In a space X , a limit point x of $\{y\}$ is a $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point of $\{y\}$ iff $sgcl\{x\} \neq sgcl\{y\}$.

This lemma leads to characterize the equivalence of $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point and sg -limit point of a set as $sg\text{-}T_0$ -axiom.

4.2. Theorem 4.02

The following conditions are equivalent:

(i) X is a $sg\text{-}T_0$ space

(ii) Every sg -limit point of a set A is a $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point of A

(iii) Every r -limit point of a singleton set $\{x\}$ is a $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point of $\{x\}$

(iv) For any x, y in $X, x \neq y$ if $x \in sgcl\{y\}$, then x is a $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point of $\{y\}$

Note 6: In a $sg\text{-}T_0$ -space X if every point of X is a r -limit point of X , then every point of X is $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point of X . But a space X in which each point is a $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point of X is not necessarily a $sg\text{-}T_0$ -space

4.3. Theorem 4.03

The following conditions are equivalent:

(i) X is a $sg\text{-}R_0$ space

(ii) For any x, y in X , if $x \in sgcl\{y\}$, then x is not a $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point of $\{y\}$

(iii) A point sg -closure set has no $sg\text{-}T_0$ -limit point in X

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(iv) A singleton set has no $sg-T_0$ -limit point in X .

4.4. Theorem 4.04

In a $sg-R_0$ space X , a point x is $sg-T_0$ -limit point of A iff every sg -open set containing x contains infinitely many points of A with each of which x is topologically distinct

4.5. Theorem 4.05

X is $sg-R_0$ space iff a set A of the form $A = \cup sgcl\{x_i, i=1 \text{ to } n\}$ a finite union of point closure sets has no $sg-T_0$ -limit point.

If $sg-R_0$ space is replaced by rR_0 space in the above theorem, we have the following corollaries:

4.6. Corollary 4.06

The following conditions are equivalent:

- X is a $r-R_0$ space
- For any x, y in X , if $x \in sgcl\{y\}$, then x is not a $sg-T_0$ -limit point of $\{y\}$
- A point sg -closure set has no $sg-T_0$ -limit point in X
- A singleton set has no $sg-T_0$ -limit point in X .

4.7. Corollary 4.07

In an rR_0 -space X ,

- If a point x is rT_0 -limit point of a set then every sg -open set containing x contains infinitely many points of A with each of which x is topologically distinct.
- If a point x is $sg-T_0$ -limit point of a set then every sg -open set containing x contains infinitely many points of A with each of which x is topologically distinct.
- If $A = \cup sgcl\{x_i, i=1 \text{ to } n\}$ a finite union of point closure sets has no $sg-T_0$ -limit point.
- If $X = \cup sgcl\{x_i, i=1 \text{ to } n\}$ then X has no $sg-T_0$ -limit point.

Various characteristic properties of $sg-T_0$ -limit points studied so far is enlisted in the following theorem.

4.8. Theorem 4.08

In a $sg-R_0$ -space, we have the following:

- A singleton set has no $sg-T_0$ -limit point in X .
- A finite set has no $sg-T_0$ -limit point in X .
- A point sg -closure has no set $sg-T_0$ -limit point in X
- A finite union point sg -closure sets have no set $sg-T_0$ -limit point in X .
- For $x, y \in X$, $x \in T_0- sgcl\{y\}$ iff $x = y$.
- For any $x, y \in X$, $x \neq y$ iff neither x is $sg-T_0$ -limit point of $\{y\}$ nor y is $sg-T_0$ -limit point of $\{x\}$
- For any $x, y \in X$, $x \neq y$ iff $T_0- sgcl\{x\} \cap T_0- sgcl\{y\} = \phi$.
- Any point $x \in X$ is a $sg-T_0$ -limit point of a set A in X iff every sg -open set containing x contains infinitely many points of A with each which x is topologically distinct.

4.9. Theorem 4.09

X is $sg-R_1$ iff for any sg -open set U in X and points x, y such that $x \in X-U$, $y \in U$, there exists a sg -open set V in X such that $y \in V \subset U$, $x \notin V$.

4.10. Lemma 4.10

In $sg-R_1$ space X , if x is a $sg-T_0$ -limit point of X , then for any non empty sg -open set U , there exists a non empty sg -open set V such that $V \subset U$, $x \notin sgcl(V)$.

4.11. Lemma 4.11

In a sg -regular space X , if x is a $sg-T_0$ -limit point of X , then for any non empty sg -open set U , there exists a non empty sg -open set V such that $sgcl(V) \subset U$, $x \notin sgcl(V)$.

4.12. Corollary 4.12

In a regular space X ,

- If x is a $sg-T_0$ -limit point of X , then for any non empty sg -open set U , there exists a non empty sg -open set V such that $sgcl(V) \subset U$, $x \notin sgcl(V)$.
- If x is a T_0 -limit point of X , then for any non empty sg -open set U , there exists a non empty sg -open set V such that $sgcl(V) \subset U$, $x \notin sgcl(V)$.

4.13. Theorem 4.13

If X is a sg -compact $sg-R_1$ -space, then X is a Baire Space.

Proof: Let $\{A_n\}$ be a countable collection of sg -closed sets of X , each A_n having empty interior in X . Take A_1 , since A_1 has empty interior, A_1 does not contain any sg -open set say U_0 . Therefore we can choose a point $y \in U_0$ such that $y \notin A_1$. For X is sg -regular, and $y \in (X-A_1) \cap U_0$, a sg -open set, we can find a sg -open set U_1 in X such that $y \in U_1$, $sgcl(U_1) \subset (X-A_1) \cap U_0$. Hence U_1 is a non empty sg -open set in X such that $sgcl(U_1) \subset U_0$ and $sgcl(U_1) \cap A_1 = \phi$. Continuing this process, in general, for given non empty sg -open set U_{n-1} , we can choose a point of U_{n-1} which is not in the sg -closed set A_n and a sg -open set U_n containing this point such that $sgcl(U_n) \subset U_{n-1}$ and $sgcl(U_n) \cap A_n = \phi$. Thus we get a sequence of nested non empty sg -closed sets which satisfies the finite intersection property. Therefore $\cap sgcl(U_n) \neq \phi$. Then some $x \in \cap sgcl(U_n)$ which in turn implies that $x \in U_{n-1}$ as $sgcl(U_n) \subset U_{n-1}$ and $x \notin A_n$ for each n .

4.14. Corollary 4.14

If X is a compact $sg-R_1$ -space, then X is a Baire Space.

4.15. Corollary 4.15

Let X be a sg -compact $sg-R_1$ -space. If $\{A_n\}$ is a countable collection of sg -closed sets in X , each A_n having non-empty sg -interior in X , then there is a point of X which is not in any of the A_n .

4.16. Corollary 4.16

Let X be a sg -compact R_1 -space. If $\{A_n\}$ is a countable collection of sg -closed sets in X , each A_n having non-empty sg -interior in X , then there is a point of X which is not in any of the A_n .

4.17. Theorem 4.17

Let X be a non empty compact $sg-R_1$ -space. If every point of X is a $sg-T_0$ -limit point of X then X is uncountable.

Proof: Since X is non empty and every point is a $sg-T_0$ -limit point of X , X must be infinite. If X is countable, we construct a sequence of sg -open sets $\{V_n\}$ in X as follows:

Let $X = V_1$, then for x_1 is a $sg-T_0$ -limit point of X , we can choose a non empty sg -open set V_2 in X such that $V_2 \subset V_1$ and $x_1 \notin sgclV_2$. Next for x_2 and non empty sg -open set V_2 , we can choose a non empty sg -open set V_3 in X such that $V_3 \subset V_2$ and $x_2 \notin sgclV_3$. Continuing this process for each x_n and a non empty sg -open set V_n , we can choose a non empty sg -open set V_{n+1} in X such that $V_{n+1} \subset V_n$ and $x_n \notin sgclV_{n+1}$.

Now consider the nested sequence of sg -closed sets $sgclV_1 \supset sgclV_2 \supset sgclV_3 \supset \dots \supset sgclV_n \supset \dots$. Since X is sg -compact and $\{sgclV_n\}$ the sequence of sg -closed sets satisfies finite intersection property. By Cantors intersection theorem, there exists an x in X such that $x \in sgclV_n$. Further $x \in X$ and $x \in V_1$, which is not equal to any of the points of X . Hence X is uncountable.

4.18. Corollary 4.18

Let X be a non empty sg -compact $sg-R_1$ -space. If every point of X is a $sg-T_0$ -limit point of X then X is uncountable

5. $sg-T_0$ -IDENTIFICATION SPACES AND sg -SEPARATION AXIOMS**5.1. Definition 5.01**

Let (X, τ) be a topological space and let \mathfrak{R} be the equivalence relation on X defined by $x \mathfrak{R} y$ iff $sgcl\{x\} = sgcl\{y\}$

5.2. Problem 5.02

Show that $x \mathfrak{R} y$ iff $sgcl\{x\} = sgcl\{y\}$ is an equivalence relation

5.3. Definition 5.03

The space $(X_0, Q(X_0))$ is called the $sg-T_0$ -identification space of (X, τ) , where X_0 is the set of equivalence classes of \mathfrak{R} and $Q(X_0)$ is the decomposition topology on X_0 .

Let $P_X: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X_0, Q(X_0))$ denote the natural map

5.4. Lemma 5.04

If $x \in X$ and $A \subset X$, then $x \in sgclA$ iff every sg -open set containing x intersects A .

5.5. Theorem 5.05

The natural map $P_X: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X_0, Q(X_0))$ is closed, open and $P_X^{-1}(P_X(O)) = O$ for all $O \in PO(X, \tau)$ and $(X_0, Q(X_0))$ is $sg-T_0$

Proof: Let $O \in PO(X, \tau)$ and let $C \in P_X(O)$. Then there exists $x \in O$ such that $P_X(x) = C$. If $y \in C$, then $sgcl\{y\} = sgcl\{x\}$, which, by lemma, implies $y \in O$. Since $\tau \subset PO(X, \tau)$, then $P_X^{-1}(P_X(U)) = U$ for all $U \in \tau$, which implies P_X is closed and open.

Let $G, H \in X_0$ such that $G \neq H$; let $x \in G$ and $y \in H$. Then $sgcl\{x\} \neq sgcl\{y\}$, which implies $x \notin sgcl\{y\}$ or $y \notin sgcl\{x\}$, say $x \notin sgcl\{y\}$. Since P_X is continuous and open, then $G \in A = P_X\{X \setminus sgcl\{y\}\} \in PO(X_0, Q(X_0))$ and $H \notin A$

5.6. Theorem 5.06

The following are equivalent:

(i) X is sgR_0 (ii) $X_0 = \{sgcl\{x\} : x \in X\}$ and (iii) $(X_0, Q(X_0))$ is sgT_1

Proof: (i) \Rightarrow (ii) Let $x \in C \in X_0$. If $y \in C$, then $y \in sgcl\{y\} = sgcl\{x\}$, which implies $C \in sgcl\{x\}$. If $y \in sgcl\{x\}$, then $x \in sgcl\{y\}$, since, otherwise, $x \in X \setminus sgcl\{y\} \in PO(X, \tau)$ which implies $sgcl\{x\} \subset X \setminus sgcl\{y\}$, which is a contradiction. Thus, if $y \in sgcl\{x\}$, then $x \in sgcl\{y\}$, which implies $sgcl\{y\} = sgcl\{x\}$ and $y \in C$. Hence $X_0 = \{sgcl\{x\} : x \in X\}$

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii) Let $A \neq B \in X_0$. Then there exists $x, y \in X$ such that $A = sgcl\{x\}$; $B = sgcl\{y\}$, and $sgcl\{x\} \cap sgcl\{y\} = \emptyset$. Then $A \in C = P_X(X \setminus sgcl\{y\}) \in PO(X_0, Q(X_0))$ and $B \notin C$. Thus $(X_0, Q(X_0))$ is $sg-T_1$

(iii) \Rightarrow (i) Let $x \in U \in SGO(X)$. Let $y \notin U$ and $C_x, C_y \in X_0$ containing x and y respectively. Then $x \notin sgcl\{y\}$, which implies $C_x \neq C_y$ and there exists sg -open set A such that $C_x \in A$ and $C_y \notin A$. Since P_X is continuous and open, then $y \in B = P_X^{-1}(A) \in X \in SGO(X)$ and $x \notin B$, which implies $y \notin sgcl\{x\}$. Thus $sgcl\{x\} \subset U$. This is true for all $sgcl\{x\}$ implies $\bigcap sgcl\{x\} \subset U$. Hence X is $sg-R_0$

5.7. Theorem 5.07

(X, τ) is $sg-R_1$ iff $(X_0, Q(X_0))$ is $sg-T_2$

The proof is straight forward using theorems 5.05 and 5.06 and is omitted

5.8. Theorem 5.08

X is $sg-T_i$; $i = 0, 1, 2$. iff there exists a sg -continuous, almost-open, 1-1 function from (X, τ) into a $sg-T_i$ space ; $i = 0, 1, 2$. respectively.

5.9. Theorem 5.09

If $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is sg -continuous, sg -open, and $x, y \in X$ such that $sgcl\{x\} = sgcl\{y\}$, then $sgcl\{f(x)\} = sgcl\{f(y)\}$.

5.10. Theorem 5.10

The following are equivalent

(i) (X, τ) is $sg-T_0$

(ii) Elements of X_0 are singleton sets and

(iii) There exists a sg -continuous, sg -open, 1-1 function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$, where (Y, σ) is $sg-T_0$

Proof: (i) is equivalent to (ii) and (i) \Rightarrow (iii) are straight forward and is omitted.

(iii) \Rightarrow (i) Let $x, y \in X$ such that $f(x) \neq f(y)$, which implies $sgcl\{f(x)\} \neq sgcl\{f(y)\}$. Then by theorem 5.09, $sgcl\{x\} \neq sgcl\{y\}$. Hence (X, τ) is $sg-T_0$

5.11. Corollary 5.11

A space (X, τ) is $sg-T_i$; $i = 1, 2$ iff (X, τ) is $sg-T_{i-1}$; $i = 1, 2$, respectively, and there exists a sg -continuous, sg -open, 1-1 function $f: (X, \tau)$ into a $sg-T_0$ space.

5.12. Definition 5.04

f is point- sg -closure 1-1 iff for $x, y \in X$ such that $sgcl\{x\} \neq sgcl\{y\}$, $sgcl\{f(x)\} \neq sgcl\{f(y)\}$.

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5.13. Theorem 5.12

(i) If $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is point- sg -closure 1-1 and (X, τ) is $sg-T_0$, then f is 1-1

(ii) If $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$, where (X, τ) and (Y, σ) are $sg-T_0$ then f is point- sg -closure 1-1 iff f is 1-1

The following result can be obtained by combining results for $sg-T_0$ -identification spaces, sg -induced functions and $sg-T_i$ spaces; $i = 1, 2$.

5.14. Theorem 5.13

X is $sg-R_i$; $i = 0, 1$ iff there exists a sg -continuous, almost-open point- sg -closure 1-1 function $f: (X, \tau)$ into a $sg-R_i$ space; $i = 0, 1$ respectively.

6. sg -Normal; Almost sg -normal and Mildly sg -normal spaces

6.1. Definition 6.1

A space X is said to be sg -normal if for any pair of disjoint closed sets F_1 and F_2 , there exist disjoint sg -open sets U and V such that $F_1 \subset U$ and $F_2 \subset V$.

Example 4: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$. Then X is sg -normal.

Example 5: Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ with $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{d\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, X\}$ is sg -normal, normal and almost normal.

We have the following characterization of sg -normality.

6.2. Theorem 6.1

For a space X the following are equivalent:

(i) X is sg -normal.

(ii) For every pair of open sets U and V whose union is X , there exist sg -closed sets A and B such that $A \subset U$, $B \subset V$ and $A \cup B = X$.

(iii) For every closed set F and every open set G containing F , there exists a sg -open set U such that $F \subset U \subset sgcl(U) \subset G$.

Proof: (i) \Rightarrow (ii): Let U and V be a pair of open sets in a sg -normal space X such that $X = U \cup V$. Then $X-U$, $X-V$ are disjoint closed sets. Since X is sg -normal there exist disjoint sg -open sets U_1 and V_1 such that $X-U \subset U_1$ and $X-V \subset V_1$. Let $A = X-U_1$, $B = X-V_1$. Then A and B are sg -closed sets such that $A \subset U$, $B \subset V$ and $A \cup B = X$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii): Let F be a closed set and G be an open set containing F . Then $X-F$ and G are open sets whose union is X . Then by (b), there exist sg -closed sets W_1 and W_2 such that $W_1 \subset X-F$ and $W_2 \subset G$ and $W_1 \cup W_2 = X$. Then $F \subset X-W_1$, $X-G \subset X-W_2$ and $(X-W_1) \cap (X-W_2) = \emptyset$. Let $U = X-W_1$ and $V = X-W_2$. Then U and V are disjoint sg -open sets such that $F \subset U \subset X-V \subset G$. As $X-V$ is sg -closed set, we have $sgcl(U) \subset X-V$ and $F \subset U \subset sgcl(U) \subset G$.

(iii) \Rightarrow (i): Let F_1 and F_2 be any two disjoint closed sets of X . Put $G = X-F_2$, then $F_1 \cap G = \emptyset$. $F_1 \subset G$ where G is an open set. Then by (c), there exists a sg -open set U of X such that $F_1 \subset U \subset sgcl(U) \subset G$. It follows that $F_2 \subset X-sgcl(U) = V$, say, then V is sg -open and $U \cap V = \emptyset$. Hence F_1 and F_2 are separated by sg -open sets U and V . Therefore X is sg -normal.

6.3. Theorem 6.2

A regular open subspace of a sg -normal space is sg -normal.

Example 6: Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ with $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{d\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, X\}$ is sg -normal and sg -regular.

However we observe that every sg -normal $sg-R_0$ space is sg -regular.

6.4. Definition 6.2

A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be almost- sg -irresolute if for each x in X and each sg -neighborhood V of $f(x)$, $sgcl(f^{-1}(V))$ is a sg -neighborhood of x .

Clearly every sg -irresolute map is almost sg -irresolute.

The Proof of the following lemma is straightforward and hence omitted.

6.5. Lemma 6.1

f is almost sg -irresolute iff $f^{-1}(V) \subset sg-int(sgcl(f^{-1}(V)))$ for every $V \in SGO(Y)$.

6.6. Lemma 6.2

f is almost sg -irresolute iff $f(sgcl(U)) \subset sgcl(f(U))$ for every $U \in SGO(X)$.

Proof: Let $U \in SGO(X)$. Suppose $y \notin sgcl(f(U))$. Then there exists $V \in sg O(y)$ such that $V \cap f(U) = \emptyset$. Hence $f^{-1}(V) \cap U = \emptyset$. Since $U \in SGO(X)$, we have $sg-int(sgcl(f^{-1}(V))) \cap sgcl(U) = \emptyset$. By lemma 6.1, $f^{-1}(V) \cap sgcl(U) = \emptyset$ and hence $V \cap f(sgcl(U)) = \emptyset$. This implies that $y \notin f(sgcl(U))$.

Conversely, if $V \in SGO(Y)$, then $W = X - sgcl(f^{-1}(V)) \in SGO(X)$. By hypothesis, $f(sgcl(W)) \subset sgcl(f(W))$ and hence $X - sg-int(sgcl(f^{-1}(V))) = sgcl(W) \subset f^{-1}(sgcl(f(W))) \subset f^{-1}(sgcl[f(X-f^{-1}(V))]) \subset f^{-1}[sgcl(Y-V)] = f^{-1}(Y-V) = X-f^{-1}(V)$. Therefore, $f^{-1}(V) \subset sg-int(sgcl(f^{-1}(V)))$. By lemma 6.1, f is almost sg -irresolute.

6.7. Theorem 6.3

If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is M - sg -open continuous almost sg -irresolute, X is sg -normal, then Y is sg -normal.

Proof: Let A be a closed subset of Y and B be an open set containing A . Then by continuity of f , $f^{-1}(A)$ is closed and $f^{-1}(B)$ is an open set of X such that $f^{-1}(A) \subset f^{-1}(B)$. As X is sg -normal, there exists a sg -open set U in X such that $f^{-1}(A) \subset U \subset sgcl(U) \subset f^{-1}(B)$. Then $f(f^{-1}(A)) \subset f(U) \subset f(sgcl(U)) \subset f(f^{-1}(B))$. Since f is M - sg -open almost sg -irresolute surjection, we obtain $A \subset f(U) \subset sgcl(f(U)) \subset B$. Then again by Theorem 6.1 the space Y is sg -normal.

6.8. Lemma 6.3

A mapping f is M - sg -closed if and only if for each subset B in Y and for each sg -open set U in X containing $f^{-1}(B)$, there exists a sg -open set V containing B such that $f^{-1}(V) \subset U$.

6.9. Theorem 6.4

If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is M - sg -closed continuous, X is sg -normal space, then Y is sg -normal.

Proof of the theorem is routine and hence omitted.

Now in view of lemma 2.2 [9] and lemma 6.3, we prove that the following result.

6.10. Theorem 6.5

If f is an M - sg -closed map from a weakly Hausdorff sg -normal space X onto a space Y such that $f^{-1}(y)$ is S -closed relative to X for each $y \in Y$, then Y is $sg-T_2$.

Proof: Let $y_1 \neq y_2 \in Y$. Since X is weakly Hausdorff, $f^{-1}(y_1)$ and $f^{-1}(y_2)$ are disjoint closed subsets of X by lemma 2.2 [9]. As X is sg -normal, there exist disjoint $V_i \in SGO(X)$ such that $f^{-1}(y_i) \subset V_i$, for $i = 1, 2$. Since f is M - sg -closed, there exist disjoint $U_i \in SGO(Y, y_i)$ and $f^{-1}(U_i) \subset V_i$ for $i = 1, 2$. Hence Y is $sg-T_2$.

6.11. Theorem 6.6

For a space X we have the following:

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- (a) If X is normal then for any disjoint closed sets A and B , there exist disjoint sg-open sets U, V such that $A \subset U$ and $B \subset V$;
 (b) If X is normal then for any closed set A and any open set V containing A , there exists an sg-open set U of X such that $A \subset U \subset \text{sgcl}(U) \subset V$.

6.12. Definition 6.2

X is said to be almost sg-normal if for each closed set A and each regular closed set B such that $A \cap B = \emptyset$, there exist disjoint sg-open sets U and V such that $A \subset U$ and $B \subset V$.

Clearly, every sg-normal space is almost sg-normal, but not conversely in general.

6.13. Theorem 6.7

For a space X the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) X is almost sg-normal
 (ii) For every pair of sets U and V , one of which is open and the other is regular open whose union is X , there exist sg-closed sets G and H such that $G \subset U, H \subset V$ and $G \cup H = X$.
 (iii) For every closed set A and every regular open set B containing A , there is a sg-open set V such that $A \subset V \subset \text{sgcl}(V) \subset B$.

Proof: (i) \Rightarrow (ii) Let U be an open set and V be a regular open set in an almost sg-normal space X such that $U \cup V = X$. Then $(X-U)$ is closed set and $(X-V)$ is regular closed set with $(X-U) \cap (X-V) = \emptyset$. By almost sg-normality of X , there exist disjoint sg-open sets U_1 and V_1 such that $X-U \subset U_1$ and $X-V \subset V_1$. Let $G = X - U_1$ and $H = X - V_1$. Then G and H are sg-closed sets such that $G \subset U, H \subset V$ and $G \cup H = X$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii) and (iii) \Rightarrow (i) are obvious.

One can prove that almost sg-normality is also regular open hereditary.

Almost sg-normality does not imply almost sg-regularity in general. However, we observe that every almost sg-normal sg- R_0 space is almost sg-regular.

6.14. Theorem 6.8

Every almost regular, sg-compact space X is almost sg-normal.

Recall that a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is called rc-continuous if inverse image of regular closed set is regular closed.

Now, we state the invariance of almost sg-normality in the following.

6.15. Theorem 6.9

If f is continuous M-sg-open rc-continuous and almost sg-irresolute surjection from an almost sg-normal space X onto a space Y , then Y is almost sg-normal.

6.16. Definition 6.3

A space X is said to be mildly sg-normal if for every pair of disjoint regular closed sets F_1 and F_2 of X , there exist disjoint sg-open sets U and V such that $F_1 \subset U$ and $F_2 \subset V$.

Example 7: Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ with $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{d\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, X\}$ is Mildly sg-normal.

We have the following characterization of mild sg-normality.

6.17. Theorem 6.10

For a space X the following are equivalent.

- (i) X is mildly sg-normal.
 (ii) For every pair of regular open sets U and V whose union is X , there exist sg-closed sets G and H such that $G \subset U, H \subset V$ and $G \cup H = X$.
 (iii) For any regular closed set A and every regular open set B containing A , there exists a sg-open set U such that $A \subset U \subset \text{sgcl}(U) \subset B$.
 (iv) For every pair of disjoint regular closed sets, there exist sg-open sets U and V such that $A \subset U, B \subset V$ and $\text{sgcl}(U) \cap \text{sgcl}(V) = \emptyset$.

This theorem may be proved by using the arguments similar to those of Theorem 6.7.

Also, we observe that mild sg-normality is regular open hereditary.

6.18. Definition 6.4

A space X is weakly sg-regular if for each point x and a regular open set U containing $\{x\}$, there is a sg-open set V such that $x \in V \subset \text{cl}V \subset U$.

Example 8: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$. Then X is weakly sg-regular.

Example 9: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$. Then X is not weakly sg-regular.

6.19. Theorem 6.11

If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is an M-sg-open rc-continuous and almost sg-irresolute function from a mildly sg-normal space X onto a space Y , then Y is mildly sg-normal.

Proof: Let A be a regular closed set and B be a regular open set containing A . Then by rc-continuity of f , $f^{-1}(A)$ is a regular closed set contained in the regular open set $f^{-1}(B)$. Since X is mildly sg-normal, there exists a sg-open set V such that $f^{-1}(A) \subset V \subset \text{sgcl}(V) \subset f^{-1}(B)$ by Theorem 6.10. As f is M-sg-open and almost sg-irresolute surjection, $f(V) \in \text{SGO}(Y)$ and $A \subset f(V) \subset \text{sgcl}(f(V)) \subset B$. Hence Y is mildly sg-normal.

6.20. Theorem 6.12

If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is rc-continuous, M-sg-closed map and X is mildly sg-normal space, then Y is mildly sg-normal.

7. sg-US SPACES

7.1. Definition 7.1

A sequence $\langle x_n \rangle$ is said to be sg-converges to a point x of X , written as $\langle x_n \rangle \rightarrow^{sg} x$ if $\langle x_n \rangle$ is eventually in every sg-open set containing x . Clearly, if a sequence $\langle x_n \rangle$ r -converges to a point x of X , then $\langle x_n \rangle$ sg-converges to x .

7.2. Definition 7.2

X is said to be sg-US if every sequence $\langle x_n \rangle$ in X sg-converges to a unique point.

7.3. Definition 7.3

A set F is sequentially sg-closed if every sequence in F sg-converges to a point in F .

7.4. Definition 7.4

A subset G of a space X is said to be sequentially sg-compact if every sequence in G has a subsequence which sg-converges to a point in G .

7.5. Definition 7.5

A point y is a sg -cluster point of sequence $\langle x_n \rangle$ iff $\langle x_n \rangle$ is frequently in every sg -open set containing x . The set of all sg -cluster points of $\langle x_n \rangle$ will be denoted by $sg-cl(x_n)$.

7.6. Definition 7.6

A point y is sg -side point of a sequence $\langle x_n \rangle$ if y is a sg -cluster point of $\langle x_n \rangle$ but no subsequence of $\langle x_n \rangle$ sg -converges to y .

7.7. Definition 7.7

A space X is said to be

- (i) $sg-S_1$ if it is $sg-US$ and every sequence $\langle x_n \rangle$ sg -converges with subsequence of $\langle x_n \rangle$ sg -side points.
- (ii) $sg-S_2$ if it is $sg-US$ and every sequence $\langle x_n \rangle$ in X sg -converges which has no sg -side point.

Using sequentially continuous functions, we define sequentially sg -continuous functions.

7.8. Definition 7.8

A function f is said to be sequentially sg -continuous at $x \in X$ if $f(x_n) \rightarrow^{sg} f(x)$ whenever $\langle x_n \rangle \rightarrow^{sg} x$. If f is sequentially sg -continuous at all $x \in X$, then f is said to be sequentially sg -continuous.

7.9. Theorem 7.1

We have the following:

- (i) Every $sg-T_2$ space is $sg-US$.
- (ii) Every $sg-US$ space is $sg-T_1$.
- (iii) X is $sg-US$ iff the diagonal set is a sequentially sg -closed subset of $X \times X$.
- (iv) X is $sg-T_2$ iff it is both $sg-R_1$ and $sg-US$.
- (v) Every regular open subset of a $sg-US$ space is $sg-US$.
- (vi) Product of arbitrary family of $sg-US$ spaces is $sg-US$.
- (vii) Every $sg-S_2$ space is $sg-S_1$ and Every $sg-S_1$ space is $sg-US$.

7.10. Theorem 7.2

In a $sg-US$ space every sequentially sg -compact set is sequentially sg -closed.

Proof: Let X be $sg-US$ space. Let Y be a sequentially sg -compact subset of X . Let $\langle x_n \rangle$ be a sequence in Y . Suppose that $\langle x_n \rangle$ sg -converges to a point in $X-Y$. Let $\langle x_{np} \rangle$ be subsequence of $\langle x_n \rangle$ that sg -converges to a point $y \in Y$ since Y is sequentially sg -compact. Also, let a subsequence $\langle x_{np} \rangle$ of $\langle x_n \rangle$ sg -converge to $x \in X-Y$. Since $\langle x_{np} \rangle$ is a sequence in the $sg-US$ space X , $x = y$. Thus, Y is sequentially sg -closed set.

7.11. Theorem 7.3

If f and g are sequentially sg -continuous and Y is $sg-US$, then the set $A = \{x \mid f(x) = g(x)\}$ is sequentially sg -closed.

Proof: Let Y be $sg-US$. If there is a sequence $\langle x_n \rangle$ in A sg -converging to $x \in X$. Since f and g are sequentially sg -continuous, $f(x_n) \rightarrow^{sg} f(x)$ and $g(x_n) \rightarrow^{sg} g(x)$. Hence $f(x) = g(x)$ and $x \in A$. Therefore, A is sequentially sg -closed.

8. SEQUENTIALLY SUB- sg -CONTINUITY

In this section we introduce and study the concepts of sequentially sub- sg -continuity, sequentially nearly sg -continuity and sequentially sg -compact preserving functions and study their relations and the property of $sg-US$ spaces.

8.1. Definition 8.1

A function f is said to be

- (i) sequentially nearly sg -continuous if for each point $x \in X$ and each sequence $\langle x_n \rangle \rightarrow^{sg} x$ in X , there exists a subsequence $\langle x_{nk} \rangle$ of $\langle x_n \rangle$ such that $\langle f(x_{nk}) \rangle \rightarrow^{sg} f(x)$.
- (ii) sequentially sub- sg -continuous if for each point $x \in X$ and each sequence $\langle x_n \rangle \rightarrow^{sg} x$ in X , there exists a subsequence $\langle x_{nk} \rangle$ of $\langle x_n \rangle$ and a point $y \in Y$ such that $\langle f(x_{nk}) \rangle \rightarrow^{sg} y$.
- (iii) sequentially sg -compact preserving if $f(K)$ is sequentially sg -compact in Y for every sequentially sg -compact set K of X .

8.2. Lemma 8.1

Every function f is sequentially sub- sg -continuous if Y is a sequentially sg -compact.

Proof: Let $\langle x_n \rangle \rightarrow^{sg} x$ in X . Since Y is sequentially sg -compact, there exists a subsequence $\{f(x_{nk})\}$ of $\{f(x_n)\}$ sg -converging to a point $y \in Y$. Hence f is sequentially sub- sg -continuous.

8.3. Theorem 8.1

Every sequentially nearly sg -continuous function is sequentially sg -compact preserving.

Proof: Assume f is sequentially nearly sg -continuous and K any sequentially sg -compact subset of X . Let $\langle y_n \rangle$ be any sequence in $f(K)$. Then for each positive integer n , there exists a point $x_n \in K$ such that $f(x_n) = y_n$. Since $\langle x_n \rangle$ is a sequence in the sequentially sg -compact set K , there exists a subsequence $\langle x_{nk} \rangle$ of $\langle x_n \rangle$ sg -converging to a point $x \in K$. By hypothesis, f is sequentially nearly sg -continuous and hence there exists a subsequence $\langle x_j \rangle$ of $\langle x_{nk} \rangle$ such that $f(x_j) \rightarrow^{sg} f(x)$. Thus, there exists a subsequence $\langle y_j \rangle$ of $\langle y_n \rangle$ sg -converging to $f(x) \in f(K)$. This shows that $f(K)$ is sequentially sg -compact set in Y .

8.4. Theorem 8.2

Every sequentially s -continuous function is sequentially sg -continuous.

Proof: Let f be a sequentially s -continuous and $\langle x_n \rangle \rightarrow^s x \in X$. Then $\langle x_n \rangle \rightarrow^{sg} x$. Since f is sequentially s -continuous, $f(x_n) \rightarrow^s f(x)$. But we know that $\langle x_n \rangle \rightarrow^s x$ implies $\langle x_n \rangle \rightarrow^{sg} x$ and hence $f(x_n) \rightarrow^{sg} f(x)$ implies f is sequentially sg -continuous.

8.5. Theorem 8.3

Every sequentially sg -compact preserving function is sequentially sub- sg -continuous.

Proof: Suppose f is a sequentially sg -compact preserving function. Let x be any point of X and $\langle x_n \rangle$ any sequence in X sg -converging to x . We shall denote the set $\{x_n \mid n = 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ by A and $K = A \cup \{x\}$. Then K is sequentially sg -compact since $\langle x_n \rangle \rightarrow^{sg} x$. By hypothesis, f is sequentially sg -compact preserving and hence $f(K)$ is a sequentially sg -compact set of Y . Since $\{f(x_n)\}$ is a sequence in $f(K)$, there exists a subsequence $\{f(x_{nk})\}$ of $\{f(x_n)\}$ sg -converging to a point $y \in f(K)$. This implies that f is sequentially sub- sg -continuous.

8.6. Theorem 8.4

A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is sequentially sg-compact preserving iff $f|_K: K \rightarrow f(K)$ is sequentially sub-sg-continuous for each sequentially sg-compact subset K of X .
Proof: Suppose f is a sequentially sg-compact preserving function. Then $f(K)$ is sequentially sg-compact set in Y for each sequentially sg-compact set K of X . Therefore, by Lemma 8.1 above, $f|_K: K \rightarrow f(K)$ is sequentially sg-continuous function.

Conversely, let K be any sequentially sg-compact set of X . Let $\langle y_n \rangle$ be any sequence in $f(K)$. Then for each positive integer n , there exists a point $x_n \in K$ such that $f(x_n) = y_n$. Since $\langle x_n \rangle$ is a sequence in the sequentially sg-compact set K , there exists a subsequence $\langle x_{n_k} \rangle$ of $\langle x_n \rangle$ sg-converging to a point $x \in K$. By hypothesis, $f|_K: K \rightarrow f(K)$ is sequentially sub-sg-continuous and hence there exists a subsequence $\langle y_{n_k} \rangle$ of $\langle y_n \rangle$ sg-converging to a point $y \in f(K)$. This implies that $f(K)$ is sequentially sg-compact set in Y . Thus, f is sequentially sg-compact preserving function.

The following corollary gives a sufficient condition for a sequentially sub-sg-continuous function to be sequentially sg-compact preserving.

8.7. Corollary 8.1

If f is sequentially sub-sg-continuous and $f(K)$ is sequentially sg-closed set in Y for each sequentially sg-compact set K of X , then f is sequentially sg-compact preserving function.

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