

ALLIED REGULAR SPACES VIA α -OPEN SETS

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Abstract: The purpose of this paper is to introduce and study new classes of weaker regular spaces viz. α -p-regular and α -s-regular spaces. We obtain new characterizations and establish various preservation theorems of such spaces.

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Introduction: The notions of semi-open sets were introduced and studied by Levine [6] in 1963. Njastad [11] and Mashhour et al [9] introduced and studied the concept of α -open (originally called α -sets) and α -closed sets respectively in topological spaces. In 1982, A.S. Mashhour et al.[10] have defined the notions of preopen sets and precontinuity in topology. Since then many topologists have utilized these concepts to the various notions of subsets, weak separation axioms, weak regularity. M.K.Singal [16], Maheshwari [7]. El. Deeb [4], Navalgi [13] and Park and Park[15] defined and studied almost regular, s-regular, p-regular, α -regular and sp-regular. In this paper we introduce and study new classes of weaker regular spaces viz. α -p-regular and α -s-regular spaces. We obtain some new characterizations and establish various preservation theorems of such spaces.

Preliminaries: Throughout this paper X, Y will denote topological spaces on which spaces no separation axioms are assumed unless explicitly stated. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ represents a single valued function. Let A be a subset of X . The closure and interior of A are denoted by $Cl(A)$ and $Int(A)$ respectively. The following definitions and results are useful in the sequel.

Definition 2.1 : A subset A of a space X is called

- 1 semi - open [6]- if $A \subset Cl(Int(A))$.
- 2 α -open [11]- if $A \subset Int(Cl(Int(A)))$.
- 3 preopen [10]- if $A \subset Int(Cl(A))$.

The complement of semi-open (resp. α -open, preopen) set is said to be semi-closed (resp. α -closed, preclosed). The collection of all closed (resp. preopen semi-open, α -open) subsets of X will be denoted by $C(X)$ (resp. $PO(X), SO(X), \alpha O(X)$).

Definition 2.2 : The α -interior [2] of A , denoted by $\alpha Int A$ and is defined as the union of all α -open sets which are contained in A .

Definition 2.3 : The α -closure [9] of a subset A of X is the inters of all α -closed sets that contain A and is denoted by $\alpha Cl(A)$.

Definition 2.4 : A space X is said to be α -regular [] if for each closed set F and a point $x \in X-F$, there exist disjoint α - open sets $U, V \in X$ such that $F \subset U$ and $x \in V$.

Definition 2.5 : A space X is said to be strongly regular [12] if for each preclosed set F and each point $x \in X-F$, there exist disjoint preopen sets U and V such that $x \in U$ and $F \subset V$.

Definition 2.6: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be strongly precontinuous [1] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is pre open in X for every semi-open set V of Y .

Definition 2.7: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be strongly semi-continuous [3] if the inverse image of each semi-open set of Y is open set in X .

Definition 2.8 : A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be α -irresolute [8] function, if $f^{-1}(V)$ is α - open set in X for every α - open subset V of Y .

Definition 2.9 : A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be α -open[9] function if the image of each open set of X is α -open in Y .

Definition 2.10: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is called strongly α -closed [17] if the image of each α -closed set in X is α - closed set in Y .

Definition 2.11: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is called αg -closed [4] if $f(F)$ αg -closed in Y for every closed set F of X .

Definition 2.12: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is called pre-semi-closed [5] if $f(F)$ semi-closed in Y for every semi-closed set F of X .

Regularity Axioms Via α -Open Sets: We introduce the following;

Definition 3.1: A space X is said to be α -p-regular if for each preclosed set F of X and each point $x \in X-F$, there exist disjoint α - open sets U, V such that $F \subset U$ and $x \in V$.

Clearly, we have the following implications

- (i) every α - p-regular space is strongly - regular space but the converse is not true.
- (ii) every α -regular space is α -p-regular space but the converse is not true

The following examples show the above converses, which are not true.

Example 3.2: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$. $\alpha O(X) = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$ $PO(X) = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$. Clearly, X is strongly - regular space but not α - p-regular space.

Example 3.3: Let $X = \{a,b,c\}$ $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}\}$. $\alpha O(X) = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$. Clearly, X is α - p-regular space but not α - regular space.

Now we characterize α -p- regular spaces in the following.

Theorem 3.4: In a topological space X , the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i) X is α - p- regular
- (ii) for each preclosed set F and each point $x \in X-F$, there exist $U \in \alpha O(X)$ and an αg -open set V such that $x \in U$, $F \subset V$ and $U \cap V = \phi$.
- (iii) for each subset A of X and each preclosed set F such that $A \cap F = \phi$, there exist $U \in \alpha O(X)$ and an αg -open set V such that $A \cap U = \phi$, $F \subset V$ and $U \cap V = \phi$.

Proof: (i) \Rightarrow (ii) The proof is obvious since every α -open set is an αg -open.

(ii) \Rightarrow (ii) Let A be a subset of X and F a preclosed set X such that $A \cap F = \phi$. For a point $x \in A$, $x \in X-F$ and hence there exists $U \in \alpha O(X)$ and an αg -open set V such that $x \in U$, $F \subset V$ and $U \cap V = \phi$.

(iii) \Rightarrow (i) Let F be any preclosed set of X and $x \in X-F$. Then $\{x\} \cap F = \phi$ and there exist $U \in \alpha O(X)$ and an αg -open set W such that $x \in U$, $F \subset W$ and $U \cap W = \phi$. Put $V = \alpha \text{Int}(W)$ then by remark [14] 1.2.24, we have $F \subset V$, $V \in \alpha O(X)$ and $U \cap V = \phi$. There X is α -p-regular.

Theorem 3.5: In a topological space X , the following statement are equivalent:

- (i) X is α - p- regular
- (ii) For each preopen set U of X containing x , there exists α -open set V such that $x \in V \subset \alpha \text{Cl}(V) \subset U$.

Proof: (i) \Rightarrow (ii) Let $x \in X$ and U be preopen set of X containing x . Then $X-U$ is a preclosed and $x \notin X-U$. By (i) there exist disjoint α -open sets V and W such that $x \in V$ and $X-U \subset W$. That is $X-W \subset U$. $X-W$ is α -closed. Therefore $\alpha \text{Cl}(X-B) \subset U$. Since $V \cap W = \phi$, $V \subset X-W$. Therefore, $x \in V \subset \alpha \text{Cl}(V) \subset \alpha \text{Cl}(X-B) \subset U$. Hence, $x \in V \subset \alpha \text{Cl}(V) \subset U$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i) Let F be any preclosed set and $x \notin F$. This implies that $X-F$ is a preopen set containing x . By (ii), there exists an α -open set V such that $x \in V \subset \alpha \text{Cl}(V) \subset X-F$. Let $U = X - \alpha \text{Cl}(V)$ then U is an α -open set such that $F \subset U$, $x \in V$ and $U \cap V = \phi$. Thus, there exists disjoint α -open sets U and V such that $x \in V$, $F \subset U$. Therefore, X is α -p-regular. We introduce the following;

Definition 3.6: A space X is said to be α -s-regular if for each semiclosed set F of X and each point $x \in X-F$, there exist disjoint α - open sets U, V such that $F \subset U$ and $x \in V$.

Clearly, we have the following implications

- (i) Every α - s-regular space is semi -regular space but the converse is not true.

- (ii) Every α -regular space is α -s-regular space but the converse is not true

The following examples show the above converses, which are not true.

Example 3.7: Let $X = \{a,b,c\}$ $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$. $\alpha O(X) = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$, $SO(X) = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$. Clearly, X is semi - regular space but not α - s-regular space.

Example 3.8: Let $X = \{a,b,c\}$ $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$. $\alpha O(X) = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$. Clearly, X is α - s-regular space but not α -regular space.

Now we characterize α -s- regular spaces in the following.

Theorem 3.9: In a topological space X , the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i) X is α - s- regular
- (ii) for each semi-closed set F and each point $x \in X-F$, there exist $U \in \alpha O(X)$ and an αg -open set V such that $x \in U, F \subset V$ and $U \cap V = \phi$.
- (iii) for each subset A of X and each semi-closed set F such that $A \cap F = \phi$, there exist $U \in \alpha O(X)$ and an αg -open set V such that $A \cap U \neq \phi$, $F \subset V$ and $U \cap V = \phi$.

Proof: (i) \Rightarrow (ii) The proof is obvious since every α -open set is αg -open.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii) Let A be a subset of X and F a semi-closed set X such that $A \cap F = \phi$. For a point $x \in A$, $x \in X-F$ and hence there exists $U \in \alpha O(X)$ and an αg -open set V such that $x \in U, F \subset V$ and $U \cap V = \phi$.

(iv) \Rightarrow (i) Let F be any semi-closed set of X and $x \in X-F$. Then $\{x\} \cap F = \phi$ and there exist $U \in \alpha O(X)$ and an αg -open set W such that $x \in U$, $F \subset W$ and $U \cap W = \phi$. Put $V = \alpha \text{Int}(W)$ then by remark [14] 1.2.24. we have $F \subset V$, $V \in \alpha O(X)$ and $U \cap V = \phi$. There X is α -s-regular.

Theorem 3.10: In a topological space X , the following statement are equivalent:

- (i) X is α - s- regular
- (ii) for each semi-open set U of X containing x , there exists α -open set V such that $x \in V \subset \alpha \text{Cl}(V) \subset U$. **Proof:** (i) \Rightarrow (ii) Let $x \in X$ and U be semi-open set of X containing x . Then $X-U$ is a semi-closed and $x \notin X-U$. By (i) there exist disjoint α -open sets V and W such that $x \in V$ and $X-U \subset W$. That is $X-W \subset U$. $X-W$ is α -closed. Therefore $\alpha \text{Cl}(X-B) \subset U$. Since $V \cap W = \phi$, $V \subset X-W$. Therefore, $x \in V \subset \alpha \text{Cl}(V) \subset \alpha \text{Cl}(X-B) \subset U$. Hence, $x \in V \subset \alpha \text{Cl}(V) \subset U$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i) Let F be any semi-closed set and $x \notin F$. This implies that $X-F$ is a semi-open set containing x . By (ii), there exists an α -open set V such that $x \in V \subset \alpha \text{Cl}(V) \subset X-F$. Let $U = X - \alpha \text{Cl}(V)$ then U is an α -open set such that $F \subset U, x \in V$ and $U \cap V = \phi$. Thus, there exists disjoint α -open sets U and V such that $x \in V, F \subset U$. Therefore, X is α -s-regular.

Some preserving theorems on regularity axioms via α -open sets.

Theorem 3.11: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be strongly pre-continuous surjection on with compact inverses. If X is regular then Y is α -p-regular.

Proof: Let F be a preclosed set V and $y \notin F$. Then $f^{-1}(F)$ is closed in X and $f^{-1}(y)$ is a compact, Moreover, $f^{-1}(F)$ and $f^{-1}(y)$ are disjoint in the regular space X . Hence, there exist open sets U and V such that $f^{-1}(y) \subset U$ and $f^{-1}(F) \subset V$. Since f is α -closed by the Theorem 3.5 there exists $A, B \in \alpha O(Y)$ such that $y \in A$, $F \subset B$, $f^{-1}(A) \subset U$ and $f^{-1}(B) \subset V$. Since, $U \cap V = \emptyset$ and f is surjection we have $A \cap B = \emptyset$. This shows that Y is α -p-regular.

Theorem 3.12: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be strongly pre-continuous α -open, α g-closed surjection and X is regular then Y is α -p-regular.

Proof: Let $y \in Y$ and V be an preopen set of Y containing y . Let x be a point of X such that $y = f(x)$. By the regularity of X , there exists an open set U of X such that $x \in U \subset \alpha Cl(U) \subset f^{-1}(V)$. Then, we have $y \in f(U) \subset f(\alpha Cl(U)) \subset V$. Since f is α -open and α g-closed, $f(U) \in \alpha O(Y)$ and $f(Cl(U))$ is α g-closed in Y . Therefore, we obtain $y \in f(U) \subset \alpha Cl(f(U)) \subset \alpha Cl(f(Cl(U))) \subset V$. It follows from Theorem 3.5 That is, Y is α -p-regular.

Theorem 3.13: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be strongly semi-continuous strongly α -closed bijective function and X is α -s-regular space then Y is α -s-regular.

Proof: Let $y \in Y$ and V be semi-open set containing y of Y . Let x be a point of X such that $y = f(x)$. Since, f is strongly semi-continuous, $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X . By assumptions and Theorem 3.10 There exists an α -open set U such that $x \in U \subset \alpha Cl(U) \subset f^{-1}(V)$. Then, we

have $y \in f(U) \subset f(\alpha Cl(U)) \subset V$. we know that $\alpha Cl(U)$ is α -closed. Since f is strongly α -closed, $\alpha Cl(U)$ is closed. Therefore, we have $\alpha Cl(f(\alpha Cl(U))) \subset V$. This implies that $y \in f(U) \subset \alpha Cl(f(U)) \subset V$. Now U is α -open implies $X-U$ is α -closed in X . Since f is strongly α -closed function, $f(X-U)$ is closed in Y . That is $Y-f(U)$ is closed in Y . This implies $f(U)$ is open in Y . Since every open set is α -open set. Therefore, $f(U)$ is α -open in Y . Thus, every point of y of Y and every semi-open set V containing y there exists an α -open set $f(U)$ such that $y \in f(U) \subset \alpha Cl(f(U)) \subset V$. It follows from Theorem 3.10 That is, Y is α -s-regular. **Theorem 3.14:** If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is an α -irresolute pre semiclosed injection and Y is α -s-regular, then X is α -s-regular. **Proof:** Let F be a semi-closed set of X and $x \in X - F$. Since, f is pre semi-closed, $f(F)$ is semi-closed set in Y and $f(x) \in Y - f(F)$. Since Y is α -s-regular, there exist disjoint α -open sets U and V such that $f(x) \in U$ and $f(F) \subset V$. Therefore, we obtain $x \in f^{-1}(U)$ and $F \subset f^{-1}(V)$ and $f^{-1}(U) \cap f^{-1}(V) = \emptyset$. Since f is α -irresolute $f^{-1}(U)$ and $f^{-1}(V)$ are disjoint α -open sets in X . This shows that X is α -s-regular.

Theorem 3.15: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be strongly semi-continuous α -open, α g-closed surjection and X is regular then Y is α -s-regular.

Proof: Let $y \in Y$ and V be semi-open set y of Y . Let x be a point of X such that $y = f(x)$. By the regularity of X , there exists an open set U of X such that $x \in U \subset \alpha Cl(U) \subset f^{-1}(V)$. Then, we have $y \in f(U) \subset f(\alpha Cl(U)) \subset V$. Since f is α -open and α g-closed, $f(U) \in \alpha O(Y)$ and $f(Cl(U))$ is α g-closed in Y . Therefore, we obtain $y \in f(U) \subset \alpha Cl(f(U)) \subset \alpha Cl(f(Cl(U))) \subset V$. It follows from Theorem 3.10 That is, Y is α -s-regular.

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