

ON γ -P-REGULAR SPACES

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ABSTRACT. We define and explore γ -P-regularity which is a generalization of P-regularity [16] and γ -regularity [3]. We also define and discuss strongly γ -semi-continuous functions.

1. INTRODUCTION

Signal and Arya [21] defined a new separation axiom called almost regularity which is weaker than regularity. It has been shown [21] that for Hausdorff spaces, this axiom occupies a position between Urysohn's separation axiom and T_3 -axiom. Maheswari and Prasad [17] have defined another axiom called s-regularity which is weaker than regularity (without T_2). C. Dorsett [7] defined and investigated a new separation axiom called semi-regularity. It is shown that s-regularity is weaker than semi-regularity. Semi-regularity due to C. Dorsett [7] and almost regularity due to Signal and Arya [20] are both weaker than regularity, but both are independent of each other. M. Khan and B. Ahmad [16] defined another form of regularity called P-regularity which implies semi-regularity [7] as well as almost regularity [21]. S. Kasahara [12] defined an operation α on topological spaces. H. Ogata [13] introduced the concept of γ -open sets and investigated the related topological properties. B. Ahmad and F. U. Rehman [1, 20] introduced the notions of γ -exterior and γ -boundary points in topological spaces. They also continued studying the properties and characterizations of (γ, β) -continuous mappings introduced by H. Ogata [13]. B. Ahmad and S. Hussain further studied the properties of γ -operations in topological spaces [2, 3]. They introduced and explored the notion of γ -semi-open sets in topological spaces [5, 10]. The concept of γ -s-closed spaces and γ -s-closed subspaces have been studied [4, 8]. It is known [8] that the concept of γ -s-closed space is a generalization of s-closed space [14].

In this paper, we define and explore γ -P-regularity which is a generalization of P-regularity [16] and γ -regularity [3]. We also define and discuss strongly γ -semi-continuous functions in Section 4.

First, we recall preliminaries used in the sequel. Hereafter, we shall write a space in place of a topological space.

2. PRELIMINARIES

Definition 2.1. [12] *Let X be a space. An operation $\gamma: \tau \rightarrow P(X)$ is a function from τ to the power set of X such that $V \subseteq V^\gamma$, for each $V \in \tau$, where V^γ denotes the value of γ at V . The operations defined by $\gamma(G) = G$, $\gamma(G) = cl(G)$ and $\gamma(G) = intcl(G)$ are examples of operation γ .*

Definition 2.2. [13] *Let X be a space and $A \subseteq X$. A point $x \in A$ is said to be γ -interior point of A , if there exists an open nbd N of x such that $N^\gamma \subseteq A$ and we denote the set of all such points by $int_\gamma(A)$. Thus,*

$$int_\gamma(A) = \{x \in A : x \in N \in \tau \text{ and } N^\gamma \subseteq A\}.$$

Note that A is γ -open [13] if and only if $A = int_\gamma(A)$. A set A is called γ -closed [20] if and only if $X - A$ is γ -open.

Definition 2.3. [13] *A point $x \in X$ is called a γ -closure point of $A \subseteq X$, if $U^\gamma \cap A \neq \phi$, for each open nbd U of x . The set of all γ -closure points of A is called the γ -closure of A and is denoted by $cl_\gamma(A)$. A subset A of X is called γ -closed, if $cl_\gamma(A) \subseteq A$. Note that $cl_\gamma(A)$ is contained in every γ -closed superset of A .*

Definition 2.4. [13] *An operation γ on τ is said be regular, if for any open nbds U, V of $x \in X$, there exists an open nbd W of x such that $U^\gamma \cap V^\gamma \supseteq W^\gamma$.*

Definition 2.5. [13] *An operation γ on τ is said to be open, if for every nbd U of each $x \in X$, there exists a γ -open set B such that $x \in B$ and $U^\gamma \subseteq B$.*

Definition 2.6. [3] *An operation γ on τ is said to be γ -open (resp. closed), if U^γ is γ -open (resp. closed) for every open (resp. closed) set U in X .*

Definition 2.7. [3] *A space X is said to be γ -regular space, if for any γ -closed set A and $x \notin A$, there exist γ -open sets U, V such that $x \in U$, $A \subseteq V$ and $U \cap V = \phi$.*

Definition 2.8. [10] *A subset A of a space X is said to be a γ -semi-open set, if there exists a γ -open set O such that $O \subseteq A \subseteq cl_\gamma(O)$. The set of all γ -semi-open sets is denoted by $SO_\gamma(X)$. A is γ -semi-closed if and only if $X - A$ is γ -semi-open in X . Note that A is γ -semi-closed if and only if $int_\gamma cl_\gamma(A) \subseteq A$.*

Definition 2.9. [5] *Let A be a subset of a space X . The intersection of all γ -semi-closed sets containing A is called the γ -semi-closure of A and is denoted by $scl_\gamma(A)$. Note that A is γ -semi-closed if and only if $scl_\gamma(A) = A$.*

Definition 2.10. [5] Let A be a subset of a space X . The union of γ -semi-open subsets of A is called the γ -semi-interior of A and is denoted by $sint_\gamma(A)$.

Definition 2.11. [5] A subset A of a space X is said to be γ -semi-regular, if it is both γ -semi-open and γ -semi-closed. The class of all γ -semi-regular sets of X is denoted by $SR_\gamma(A)$. Note that if γ is a regular operation, then the union of γ -semi-regular sets is γ -semi-regular.

Definition 2.12. [16] A space X is said to be P -regular, if for each semi-closed set F and $x \notin F$, there exist disjoint open sets U and V such that $x \in U$ and $F \subseteq V$.

Definition 2.13. [3] A space X is said to be γ_o -compact, if every cover $\{V_i : i \in I\}$ of X by γ -open sets of X , there exists a finite subset I_o of I such that $X = \bigcup_{i \in I_o} cl_\gamma(V_i)$.

Definition 2.14. [9] A space X is said to be almost γ -regular, if for any γ -semi-closed set A , and $x \notin A$, there exist disjoint γ -open sets V and W such that $x \in V$ and $A \subseteq W$.

3. γ -P-REGULAR SPACES

Definition 3.1. A space X is said to be γ - P -regular, if for each γ -semi-closed set F and $x \notin F$, there exist disjoint γ -open sets U, V such that $x \in U$ and $F \subseteq V$.

The following implications follow from [3, 7, 8, 16, 21].

$$\begin{aligned} P - \text{regularity} &\Rightarrow \text{regularity} \Rightarrow \gamma - \text{regularity} \\ P - \text{regularity} &\Rightarrow \text{regularity} \Rightarrow \text{almost} - \text{regularity} \\ P - \text{regularity} &\Rightarrow \text{semi} - \text{regularity} \Rightarrow \gamma - \text{semi} - \text{regularity} \end{aligned}$$

We note that each regularity and P -regularity [16] implies γ - P -regularity, and γ -regularity [3], however, the converse is not true in general as shown in the following example.

Example 3.2. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$. For $a \in X$, define the operation $\gamma: \tau \rightarrow P(X)$ by

$$\gamma(A) = A^\gamma = \begin{cases} cl(A), & \text{if } a \in A \\ int(cl(A)), & \text{if } a \notin A \end{cases}$$

Clearly $\{a, c\}, \{b\}, X, \phi$ are γ -open and γ -semi-open sets. Also, $\{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, c\}, X, \phi$ are semi-open sets in X . Here, X is γ - P -regular and γ -regular, but not P -regular and regular.

Theorem 3.3. Let X be a space. If γ is an open operation, then the following are equivalent.

- (1) X is a γ - P -regular space.

- (2) For every $x \in X$ and every γ -semi-open set V containing x , there exists a γ -open set U such that $x \in U \subseteq cl_\gamma(U) \subseteq V$.
- (3) For every γ -semi-closed set A , the intersection of all the γ -closed nbds of A is A .
- (4) For every set A and a γ -semi-open set B such that $A \cap B \neq \phi$, there exists a γ -open set F such that $A \cap F \neq \phi$ and $cl_\gamma(F) \subseteq B$.
- (5) For every nonempty set A and γ -semi-closed B such that $A \cap B = \phi$, there exist disjoint γ -open sets L and M such that $A \cap L \neq \phi$ and $B \subseteq M$.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2). Let V be a γ -semi-open set containing x . Then $X - V$ is γ -semi-closed and $x \notin X - V$. Since X is γ -P-regular, there exist disjoint γ -open sets U_1, U_2 such that $x \in U_1$ and $X - V \subseteq U_2$. Thus, we obtain $x \in U_1 \subseteq cl_\gamma(U_1) \subseteq V$. This proves (2).

(2) \Rightarrow (3). Let A be a γ -semi-closed set and $x \notin A$. Then $X - A$ is γ -semi-open and $x \in X - A$. By (2), there exists a γ -open set U such that $x \in U \subseteq cl_\gamma(U) \subseteq X - A$. Thus, $A \subseteq X - cl_\gamma(U) \subseteq X - U$. Consequently, $X - U$ is a γ -closed nbd of A [20] and $x \notin X - U$. This proves (3).

(3) \Rightarrow (4). Let $A \cap B \neq \phi$ and B be a γ -semi-open set. Let $x \in A \cap B$. Then $X - B$ is γ -semi-closed and $x \notin X - B$. Then by (3), there exists a γ -closed nbd V of $X - B$ and $x \notin V$. Let $X - B \subseteq U \subseteq V$, where U is γ -open. Then $F = X - V$ is γ -open such that $x \in F$ and $A \cap F \neq \phi$. Also, $X - U$ is γ -closed and $cl_\gamma(F) = cl_\gamma(X - V) \subseteq X - U \subseteq B$. This shows that $cl_\gamma(F) \subseteq B$.

(4) \Rightarrow (5). Suppose $A \cap B = \phi$, where $A \neq \phi$ and B is γ -semi-closed. Then $X - B$ is γ -semi-open and $A \cap (X - B) \neq \phi$. By (4), there exists a γ -open set L such that $A \cap L \neq \phi$ and $L \subseteq cl_\gamma(L) \subseteq X - B$. Let $M = X - cl_\gamma(L)$. Then $B \subseteq M$. L and M are γ -open sets such that $M = X - cl_\gamma(L) \subseteq (X - L)$. This proves (5).

(5) \Rightarrow (1). This is straightforward. This completes the proof. □

Let $B \subseteq X$ and $\gamma: \tau \rightarrow P(X)$ be an operation. We define $\gamma_B: \tau_B \rightarrow P(X)$ by $\gamma_B(U \cap B) = \gamma(U) \cap B$. Then γ_B is an operation and satisfies $cl_{\gamma_B}(U \cap B) \subseteq cl_\gamma(U \cap B) \subseteq cl_\gamma(U) \cap cl_\gamma(B)$.

We know that a subset A of (B, τ_B) is γ_B -open, if for each $x \in A$ there exists a τ_B -open set U such that $x \in U$ and $\gamma_B(U) \subseteq A$.

Observe that if W is γ -open in X and $U = W \cap B$, then U is a γ_B -open in B . In the case that γ is open, we obtain that any γ_B -open set U in B can be written as $U = H \cap B$, where H is a γ -open set in X . And the proof is as follows.

Let U be a γ_B -open set in B . Then for each $x \in U$ there exists a τ_B -open set W_x in B such that $W_x \subseteq W_x^\gamma \subseteq U$. Since $W_x = H_x \cap B$ where H_x is an open sets in X , we obtain that $U = \bigcup_{x \in U} H_x \cap B = \bigcup_{x \in U} H_x^\gamma \cap B$.

Using the fact that γ is open, we obtain that for each $y \in H_x$ there exists a γ -open set D_y such that $H_x^\gamma \subseteq D_y$. If we take $D = \bigcup_{y \in U} D_y$, D is γ -open in X and $U = D \cap B$.

The complement of a γ -semi-open set is called γ -semi-closed set. Observe that A is a γ -semi-closed if there exists a γ -closed set U in X such that $int_\gamma(U) \subseteq A \subseteq U$. The collection of all γ -semi-closed sets in X is denoted by $SC_\gamma(X)$.

From this we obtain that if $A \subseteq B \subseteq X$ and A is γ_B -semi-open in B , then there exists a γ_B -open set O such that $O \subseteq A \subseteq cl_{\gamma_B}(O)$.

Now using this fact, we can prove the following theorem.

Theorem 3.4. *Let X be a space, γ be an open operator, and B a γ -semi-closed set in X containing a subset A of X . If A is a γ_B -semi-closed in the subspace B , then A is a γ -semi-closed in X .*

Proof. Let A be a γ_B -semi-closed in the subspace B . Then there exists a γ_B -closed set U in B such that $int_{\gamma_B}(U) \subseteq A \subseteq U$. U is a γ_B -closed set in B . Using the above argument, there exists a γ -closed set V in X such that $U = V \cap B$. Thus we have $int_{\gamma_B}(V \cap B) \subseteq V \cap B$. $V \cap B$ is γ -semi-closed set in X and $int_{\gamma_B}(U) \subseteq A \subseteq U$. We obtain that $int_\gamma(U) \subseteq int_{\gamma_B}(U) \subseteq A \subseteq U$. We conclude that A is γ -semi-closed in X . \square

Theorem 3.5. *Every γ_Y -semi-closed subspace of a γ -P-regular space X is γ_Y -P-regular, where γ is open.*

Proof. Let F be any γ_Y -semi-closed subset of Y and $x \in Y - F$. Then by Theorem 3.4, $F \in SC_{\gamma_Y}(Y)$. X is γ -P-regular. Therefore, there exist γ -open sets U_X and V_X such that $x \in U_X$, $F \subseteq V_X$ and $U_X \cap V_X = \phi$. Let $U = U_X \cap Y$ and $V = V_X \cap Y$. Then clearly U and V are disjoint γ_Y -open subsets of Y containing x and F , respectively. This proves that Y is γ_Y -P-regular. \square

Definition 3.6. *A space X is said to be locally γ -indiscrete if every γ -open set is γ -closed.*

Theorem 3.7. *Every almost γ -regular (resp. γ -semi-regular) locally γ -indiscrete space X is γ -P-regular, where γ is open.*

Proof. Let V be a γ -semi-closed subset of X and $x \notin V$. Since X is locally γ -indiscrete, V is γ -regularly-closed [4]. Since X is almost γ -regular [9], there exist disjoint γ -open sets U_1 and U_2 such that $x \in U_1$ and $V \subseteq U_2$. This proves that X is γ -P-regular. This completes the proof. \square

Corollary 3.8. *Every γ -regular, locally γ -indiscrete space is γ -P-regular, where γ is open.*

Definition 3.9. [9] *Two sets A and B are γ -strongly separated if there exist disjoint γ -open (closed) sets U, V such that $A \subseteq U$ and $B \subseteq V$.*

Theorem 3.10. *In a γ -P-regular space X , every pair consisting of a γ_o -compact set A and a disjoint γ -semi-closed set B can be γ -strongly separated, where γ is regular and open.*

Proof. Since X is γ -P-regular, for each $x \in A$ there exist disjoint γ -open sets U_x and V_{Bx} such that $x \in U_x$ and $B \subseteq V_{Bx}$. Clearly $\{U_x \cap A : x \in A\}$ is relatively γ -open covering of the γ_o -compact set A . This gives that there exists a finite subfamily $\{U_{x_i} \cap A : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ such that $A \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I_o} cl_\gamma(U_{x_i} \cap A) = U$. Let $V = \bigcap cl_\gamma\{V_{Bx_i} : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$. Then U and V are the required disjoint γ -closed sets, since γ is open [13]. This completes the proof. \square

Corollary 3.11. *If X is γ -P-regular, A is a γ_o -compact subset of X , and B is a γ -semi-open set containing A . Then there exists a γ -semi-regular set V such that $A \subseteq V \subseteq B$, where γ is regular and open.*

Proof. Let B be γ -semi-open set. Then $X - B$ is a γ -semi-closed set such that $(X - B) \cap A = \phi$. Since A is γ_o -compact, by Theorem 3.10, there exist γ -open sets U_1 and U_2 such that $A \subseteq U_1$, $X - B \subseteq U_2$ and $U_1 \cap U_2 = \phi$ [3]. Then clearly, $A \subseteq U_1 \subseteq scl_\gamma(U_1) \subseteq B$. Let $V = scl_\gamma(U_1)$. Then $A \subseteq V \subseteq B$, where V is a γ -semi-regular set. This completes the proof. \square

Corollary 3.12. *If X is a γ -P-regular space and A, B are subsets of X such that A is γ_o -compact and B is γ -semi-closed with $A \cap B = \phi$, then there exist γ -semi-regular sets U and V such that $A \subseteq U$, $B \subseteq V$ and $U \cap V = \phi$, where γ is regular and open.*

Proof. Since $X - B$ is a γ -semi-open set containing A and X is γ -P-regular, by Corollary 3.11, there exists a γ -semi-regular set V_1 such that $A \subseteq V_1 \subseteq X - B$. Again since V_1 is a γ -semi-open set containing A , there exists a γ -semi-regular set U such that $A \subseteq U \subseteq V_1$. Let $V = X - V_1$. Then $A \subseteq U$, $B \subseteq V$, where U and V are disjoint γ -semi-regular sets. This completes the proof. \square

4. STRONGLY γ -SEMI-CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS

Definition 4.1. [6] *A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be γ -semi-continuous if for any γ -open set B of Y , $f^{-1}(B)$ is γ -semi-open in X .*

Definition 4.2. [6] *A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be γ -semi-open (resp. closed) if for each γ -open (resp. closed) set U in X , $f(U)$ is γ -semi-open (resp. closed) in Y .*

Definition 4.3. [13] A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be (γ, β) -continuous if for each $x \in X$ and each open set V containing $f(x)$, there exists an open set U such that $x \in U$ and $f(U^\gamma) \subseteq V^\beta$, where $\gamma: \tau \rightarrow P(X)$ and $\beta: \delta \rightarrow P(Y)$ are operations on τ and δ , respectively.

Definition 4.4. [1] A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be (γ, β) -closed (resp. open) if for any γ -closed (resp. open) set A of X , $f(A)$ is β -closed (resp. open) in Y .

Next we give the following definition.

Definition 4.5. A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be strongly (γ, β) -continuous if $f^{-1}(U)$ is γ -open in X , for every β -open set U in Y .

Definition 4.6. A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be strongly γ -semi-continuous if $f^{-1}(U)$ is γ -open (resp. closed) in X , for every γ -semi-open (resp. closed) set U in Y .

Definition 4.7. [4] A subset A of X is called γ -regular-open if $A = \text{int}_\gamma(\text{cl}_\gamma(A))$.

Note that A is γ -regular closed if and only if $X - A$ is γ -regular open.

Definition 4.8. A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be γ -s-open (resp. closed) if $f(U)$ is γ -open (resp. closed) in Y , for every γ -semi-open (resp. closed) set U in X .

Theorem 4.9. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a (γ, β) -clopen and γ -semi-continuous mapping with γ_0 -compact point inverses. If X is γ -P-regular, then Y is γ -P-regular, where β is β -open and γ is a regular and γ -open operation.

Proof. Let C be a γ -semi-closed subset of Y and $y \notin C$. Then $f^{-1}(C)$ is γ -semi-closed in X [6]. Moreover $f^{-1}(y)$ and $f^{-1}(C)$ are disjoint in X . Then by Theorem 3.9, there exist disjoint γ -closed sets F and G such that $f^{-1}(y) \in F$ and $f^{-1}(C) \subseteq G$. Since f is (γ, β) -closed, there exist β -closed sets V and W in Y containing y and C , respectively, such that $f^{-1}(V) \subseteq F$ and $f^{-1}(W) \subseteq G$ [20]. Since $F \cap G = \phi$, it follows that $V \cap W = \phi$. This proves that Y is γ -P-regular. This completes the proof. \square

Theorem 4.10. If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function and f is (γ, β) -continuous, then for each β -open set V of Y , $f^{-1}(V)$ is γ -open in X .

Proof. Let $x \in f^{-1}(V)$, then $f(x) \in V$. Since V is β -open, there exists an open set W in Y such that $f(x) \in W$ and $W^\beta \subseteq V$. Since f is (γ, β) -continuous, there exists an open set U such that $x \in U$ and $f(U^\gamma) \subseteq W^\beta \subseteq V$. Consequently, $x \in U$ and $U^\gamma \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$ which implies $f^{-1}(V)$ is γ -open in X . \square

Theorem 4.11. *The inverse image of a β -P-regular space under a (γ, β) -continuous, γ -semi-closed preserving injection is γ -P-regular, where β is open.*

Proof. Let C be a γ -semi-closed subset of X and $x \in X - C$. Since f is a γ -semi-closed preserving injection, $f(C)$ is γ -semi-closed in Y and $f(x) \notin f(C)$. Since Y is β -P-regular, there exist disjoint β -open sets U and V in Y such that $f(x) \in U$ and $f(C) \subseteq V$. This gives that $x \in f^{-1}(U)$ and $C \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$. Since f is (γ, β) -continuous, $f^{-1}(U)$ and $f^{-1}(V)$ are γ -open subsets of X [20], such that $f^{-1}(U) \cap f^{-1}(V) = \phi$. This proves that X is γ -P-regular. This completes the proof. \square

Theorem 4.12. *Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be strongly γ -semi-continuous and (γ, β) -clopen surjection. If X is γ -regular, then Y is γ -P-regular.*

Proof. Let C be any γ -semi-closed set of Y and $y \in Y - C$. Let $x \in f^{-1}(y)$. Since f is strongly γ -semi-continuous, $f^{-1}(C)$ is γ -closed in X and $x \in f^{-1}(C)$. Since X is γ -regular [3], there exist disjoint γ -open sets U and V such that $x \in U$, $f^{-1}(C) \subseteq V$. Since f is (γ, β) -closed [1], there exists a β -open set W of Y such that $C \subseteq W$ and $f^{-1}(W) \subseteq V$. This gives that $U \cap f^{-1}(W) = \phi$ or $f(U) \cap W = \phi$. Since f is (γ, β) -open [1], $f(U)$ is β -open in Y and $y \in f(U)$. This proves that Y is γ -P-regular. This completes the proof. \square

Theorem 4.13. *Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be strongly γ -semi-continuous and (γ, β) -closed surjection with γ_o -compact point inverses. If X is γ -regular, then Y is γ -P-regular.*

Proof. Let C be a γ -semi-closed set of Y and $y \in Y - C$. Since f is strongly γ -semi-continuous, $f^{-1}(C)$ is γ -closed in X . Moreover, the γ_o -compact sets $f^{-1}(y)$ and $f^{-1}(C)$ are disjoint. Since X is γ -regular, there exist disjoint γ -open sets F and G such that $f^{-1}(y) \in F$ and $f^{-1}(C) \subseteq G$. Since f is (γ, β) -closed, there exist β -open sets V and W in Y containing y and C , respectively, such that $f^{-1}(V) \subseteq F$ and $f^{-1}(W) \subseteq G$. Clearly $V \cap W = \phi$. This proves that Y is γ -P-regular. This completes the proof. \square

Theorem 4.14. *The inverse image of a γ -semi-regular space Y under γ -semi-closed preserving and strong γ -semi-continuous injection is γ -P-regular.*

Proof. Let C be any arbitrary γ -closed subset of X such that $x \in X - C$. Since f is γ -semi-closed preserving injection, $f(C)$ is γ -semi-closed in Y and $f(x) \notin f(C)$. Since Y is γ -semi-regular [8], there exist disjoint γ -semi-open sets U and V such that $f(x) \in U$ and $f(C) \subseteq V$. Since f is strong γ -semi-continuous, $f^{-1}(U)$ and $f^{-1}(V)$ are γ -open subsets of X containing x and

C such that $f^{-1}(U) \cap f^{-1}(V) = \phi$. This proves that X is γ -P-regular. This completes the proof. \square

Theorem 4.15. *The inverse image of a β -regular space under γ -s-closed and (γ, β) -continuous injection is γ -P-regular.*

Proof. Let C be any γ -semi-closed subset of X and $x \in X - C$. Since f is γ -s-closed, $f(C)$ is β -closed in Y and $f(x) \notin f(C)$. Since Y is β -regular, there exist disjoint β -open sets U and V of Y such that $f(x) \in U$ and $f(C) \subseteq V$. Since f is (γ, β) -continuous, using Theorem 4.10, $f^{-1}(U)$ and $f^{-1}(V)$ are γ -open subsets of X . Now $x \in f(f^{-1}(x)) \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$ and $C \subseteq f(f^{-1}(C)) \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$ or $x \in f^{-1}(U)$, $C \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$ and clearly $f^{-1}(U) \cap f^{-1}(V) = \phi$. This proves that X is γ -P-regular. This completes the proof. \square

Theorem 4.16. *The inverse image of a β -P-regular space Y under (γ, β) -continuous and γ -semi-closed preserving injection is γ -P-regular.*

Proof. Let C be any arbitrary γ -semi-closed subset of X and $x \in X - C$. Since f is γ -semi-closed preserving injection, $f(C)$ is β -semi-closed in Y and $f(x) \notin f(C)$. Since Y is β -P-regular, there exist disjoint β -open sets U and V of Y such that $f(x) \in U$ and $f(C) \subseteq V$. Since f is (γ, β) -continuous, using Theorem 4.10, $f^{-1}(U)$ and $f^{-1}(V)$ are γ -open subsets of X . Now $x \in f(f^{-1}(x)) \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$ and $C \subseteq f(f^{-1}(C)) \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$ or $x \in f^{-1}(U)$, $C \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$ and clearly $f^{-1}(U) \cap f^{-1}(V) = \phi$. This proves that X is γ -P-regular. This completes the proof. \square

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