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## ABSTRACT

In this paper by using  $g\alpha$ -open sets we define almost  $g\alpha$ -normality and mild  $g\alpha$ -normality also we continue the study of further properties of  $g\alpha$ -normality. We show that these three axioms are regular open hereditary. We also define the class of almost  $g\alpha$ -irresolute mappings and show that  $g\alpha$ -normality is invariant under almost  $g\alpha$ -irresolute  $M$ -  $g\alpha$ -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. Navlagi studied P-Normal Almost-P-Normal, Mildly-P-Normal and Pre-US spaces. Recently S. Balasubramanian and P. Aruna Swathi Vyjayanthi studied  $\nu$ -Normal Almost-  $\nu$ -Normal, Mildly- $\nu$ -Normal and  $\nu$ -US spaces. Inspired with these we introduce  $g\alpha$ -Normal Almost-  $g\alpha$ -Normal, Mildly-  $g\alpha$ -Normal,  $g\alpha$ -US,  $g\alpha$ - $S_1$  and  $g\alpha$ - $S_2$ . Also we examine  $g\alpha$ -convergence, sequentially  $g\alpha$ -compact, sequentially  $g\alpha$ -continuous maps, and sequentially sub  $g\alpha$ -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:

**Definition 2.1:**  $A \subseteq X$  is called

- (i)  $g$ -closed if  $\text{cl } A \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $X$ .
- (ii)  $g\alpha$ -closed if  $\alpha \text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $X$ .

**Definition 2.2:** A function  $f$  is said to be almost- $\text{pre}$ -irresolute if for each  $x$  in  $X$  and each pre-neighborhood  $V$  of  $f(x)$ ,  $\text{pcl}(f^{-1}(V))$  is a pre-neighborhood of  $x$ .

**Definition 2.3:** 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  $F_2 \subset V$ .

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- (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 an open set  $G$  containing  $F$  but not  $x$ .
- (viii)  $R_1$  iff for  $x, y \in X$  with  $\text{cl}\{x\} \neq \text{cl}\{y\}$ , there exist disjoint open sets  $U$  and  $V$  such that  $\text{cl}\{x\} \subset U$ ,  $\text{cl}\{y\} \subset V$ .
- (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  $X$ .

**Definition 2.4:** 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  $\text{cl}\{x\} \neq \text{cl}\{y\}$ , or equivalently, such that they are topologically distinct.
- (iii) pre- $T_0$ -limit point of  $A$  if each open set containing  $x$  contains some point  $y$  of  $A$  such that  $p\text{cl}\{x\} \neq p\text{cl}\{y\}$ , 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  $X$ .

**Definition 2.5:** 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. $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ LIMIT POINT:

**Definition 3.01:** In  $X$ , a point  $x$  is said to be a  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point of  $A$  if each  $g\alpha$ -open set containing  $x$  contains some point  $y$  of  $A$  such that  $g\alpha\text{cl}\{x\} \neq g\alpha\text{cl}\{y\}$ , or equivalently; such that they are topologically distinct with respect to  $g\alpha$ -open sets.

**Example 3:** regular open set  $\Rightarrow$  open set  $\Rightarrow \alpha$ -open set  $\Rightarrow g\alpha$ -open set we have  $r$ - $T_0$ -limit point  $\Rightarrow T_0$ -limit point  $\Rightarrow \alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point  $\Rightarrow g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point

**Definition 3.02:** A set  $A$  together with all its  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit points is denoted by  $T_0$ - $g\alpha cl(A)$

**Lemma 3.01:** If  $x$  is a  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point of a set  $A$  then  $x$  is  $g\alpha$ -limit point of  $A$ .

**Lemma 3.02:** If  $X$  is  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -space then every  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point and every  $g\alpha$ -limit point are equivalent.

**Corollary 3.03:** If  $X$  is  $r$ - $T_0$ -space then every  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point and every  $g\alpha$ -limit point are equivalent.

**Theorem 3.04:** For  $x \neq y \in X$ ,

- (i)  $x$  is a  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point of  $\{y\}$  iff  $x \notin g\alpha cl\{y\}$  and  $y \in g\alpha cl\{x\}$ .
- (ii)  $x$  is not a  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point of  $\{y\}$  iff either  $x \in g\alpha cl\{y\}$  or  $g\alpha cl\{x\} = g\alpha cl\{y\}$ .
- (iii)  $x$  is not a  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point of  $\{y\}$  iff either  $x \in g\alpha cl\{y\}$  or  $y \in g\alpha cl\{x\}$ .

**Corollary 3.05:**

- (i) If  $x$  is a  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point of  $\{y\}$ , then  $y$  cannot be a  $g\alpha$ -limit point of  $\{x\}$ .
- (ii) If  $g\alpha cl\{x\} = g\alpha cl\{y\}$ , then neither  $x$  is a  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point of  $\{y\}$  nor  $y$  is a  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point of  $\{x\}$ .
- (iii) If a singleton set  $A$  has no  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point in  $X$ , then  $g\alpha cl A = g\alpha cl\{x\}$  for all  $x \in g\alpha cl\{A\}$ .

**Lemma 3.06:** In  $X$ , if  $x$  is a  $g\alpha$ -limit point of a set  $A$ , then in each of the following cases  $x$  becomes  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point of  $A$  ( $\{x\} \neq A$ ).

- (i)  $g\alpha cl\{x\} \neq g\alpha cl\{y\}$  for  $y \in A, x \neq y$ .
- (ii)  $g\alpha cl\{x\} = \{x\}$
- (iii)  $X$  is a  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -space.
- (iv)  $A \setminus \{x\}$  is  $g\alpha$ -open

**Corollary 3.07:** In  $X$ , if  $x$  is a limit point of a set  $A$ , then in each of the following cases  $x$  becomes  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point of  $A$  ( $\{x\} \neq A$ ).

- (i)  $g\alpha cl\{x\} \neq g\alpha cl\{y\}$  for  $y \in A, x \neq y$ .
- (ii)  $g\alpha cl\{x\} = \{x\}$
- (iii)  $X$  is a  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -space.
- (iv)  $A \setminus \{x\}$  is  $g\alpha$ -open

#### 4. $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ AND $g\alpha$ - $R_i$ AXIOMS, $i = 0, 1$ :

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

**Lemma 4.01:** In a space  $X$ , a limit point  $x$  of  $\{y\}$  is a  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point of  $\{y\}$  iff  $g\alpha cl\{x\} \neq g\alpha cl\{y\}$ .

This lemma leads to characterize the equivalence of  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point and  $g\alpha$ -limit point of a set as the  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -axiom.

**Theorem 4.02:** The following conditions are equivalent:

- (i)  $X$  is a  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$  space
- (ii) Every  $g\alpha$ -limit point of a set  $A$  is a  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point of  $A$
- (iii) Every  $r$ -limit point of a singleton set  $\{x\}$  is a  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point of  $\{x\}$
- (iv) For any  $x, y$  in  $X, x \neq y$  if  $x \in g\alpha cl\{y\}$ , then  $x$  is a  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point of  $\{y\}$

**Note 5:** In a  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -space  $X$  if every point of  $X$  is a  $r$ -limit point of  $X$ , then every point of  $X$  is  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point of  $X$ . But a space  $X$  in which each point is a  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point of  $X$  is not necessarily a  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -space

**Theorem 4.03:** The following conditions are equivalent:

- (i)  $X$  is a  $g\alpha$ - $R_0$  space
- (ii) For any  $x, y$  in  $X$ , if  $x \in g\alpha cl\{y\}$ , then  $x$  is not a  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point of  $\{y\}$
- (iii) A point  $g\alpha$ -closure set has no  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point in  $X$
- (iv) A singleton set has no  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point in  $X$ .

Since every  $rR_0$ -space is  $g\alpha R_0$ -space, we have the following corollary

**Corollary 4.04:** The following conditions are equivalent:

- (i)  $X$  is a  $rR_0$  space
- (ii) For any  $x, y$  in  $X$ , if  $x \in g\alpha cl\{y\}$ , then  $x$  is not a  $g\alpha T_0$ -limit point of  $\{y\}$
- (iii) A point  $g\alpha$ -closure set has no  $g\alpha T_0$ -limit point in  $X$
- (iv) A singleton set has no  $g\alpha T_0$ -limit point in  $X$ .

**Theorem 4.05:** In a  $g\alpha R_0$  space  $X$ , a point  $x$  is  $g\alpha T_0$ -limit point of  $A$  iff every  $g\alpha$ -open set containing  $x$  contains infinitely many points of  $A$  with each of which  $x$  is topologically distinct

If  $g\alpha R_0$  space is replaced by  $rR_0$  space in the above theorem, we have the following corollaries:

**Corollary 4.06:** In an  $rR_0$ -space  $X$ ,

- (i) If a point  $x$  is  $rT_0$ -limit point of a set then every  $g\alpha$ -open set containing  $x$  contains infinitely many points of  $A$  with each of which  $x$  is topologically distinct.
- (ii) If a point  $x$  is  $g\alpha T_0$ -limit point of a set then every  $g\alpha$ -open set containing  $x$  contains infinitely many points of  $A$  with each of which  $x$  is topologically distinct.

**Theorem 4.07:**  $X$  is  $g\alpha R_0$  space iff a set  $A$  of the form  $A = \cup g\alpha cl\{x_{i=1 to n}\}$  a finite union of point closure sets has no  $g\alpha T_0$ -limit point.

**Corollary 4.08:** If  $X$  is  $rR_0$  space and

- (i) If  $A = \cup g\alpha cl\{x_{i=1 to n}\}$  a finite union of point closure sets has no  $g\alpha T_0$ -limit point.
- (ii) If  $X = \cup g\alpha cl\{x_{i=1 to n}\}$  then  $X$  has no  $g\alpha T_0$ -limit point.

**Theorem 4.09:** The following conditions are equivalent:

- (i)  $X$  is  $g\alpha R_0$ -space
- (ii) For any  $x$  and a set in  $X$ ,  $x$  is a  $g\alpha T_0$ -limit point of  $A$  iff every  $g\alpha$ -open set containing  $x$  contains infinitely many points of  $A$  with each of which  $x$  is topologically distinct.

Various characteristic properties of  $g\alpha T_0$ -limit points studied so far is enlisted in the following theorem for a ready reference.

**Theorem 4.10:** In a  $g\alpha R_0$ -space, we have the following:

- (i) A singleton set has no  $g\alpha T_0$ -limit point in  $X$ .
- (ii) A finite set has no  $g\alpha T_0$ -limit point in  $X$ .
- (iii) A point  $g\alpha$ -closure has no set  $g\alpha T_0$ -limit point in  $X$
- (iv) A finite union point  $g\alpha$ -closure sets have no set  $g\alpha T_0$ -limit point in  $X$ .
- (v) For  $x, y \in X, x \in T_0- g\alpha cl\{y\}$  iff  $x = y$ .
- (vi) For any  $x, y \in X, x \neq y$  iff neither  $x$  is  $g\alpha T_0$ -limit point of  $\{y\}$  nor  $y$  is  $g\alpha T_0$ -limit point of  $\{x\}$
- (vii) For any  $x, y \in X, x \neq y$  iff  $T_0- g\alpha cl\{x\} \cap T_0- g\alpha cl\{y\} = \emptyset$ .
- (viii) Any point  $x \in X$  is a  $g\alpha T_0$ -limit point of a set  $A$  in  $X$  iff every  $g\alpha$ -open set containing  $x$  contains infinitely many points of  $A$  with each which  $x$  is topologically distinct.

**Theorem 4.11:**  $X$  is  $g\alpha R_1$  iff for any  $g\alpha$ -open set  $U$  in  $X$  and points  $x, y$  such that  $x \in X \sim U, y \in U$ , there exists a  $g\alpha$ -open set  $V$  in  $X$  such that  $y \in V \subset U, x \notin V$ .

**Lemma 4.12:** In  $g\alpha R_1$  space  $X$ , if  $x$  is a  $g\alpha T_0$ -limit point of  $X$ , then for any non empty  $g\alpha$ -open set  $U$ , there exists a non empty  $g\alpha$ -open set  $V$  such that  $V \subset U, x \notin g\alpha cl(V)$ .

**Lemma 4.13:** In a  $g\alpha$ -regular space  $X$ , if  $x$  is a  $g\alpha T_0$ -limit point of  $X$ , then for any non empty  $g\alpha$ -open set  $U$ , there exists a non empty  $g\alpha$ -open set  $V$  such that  $g\alpha cl(V) \subset U, x \notin g\alpha cl(V)$ .

**Corollary 4.14:** In a regular space  $X$ ,

- (i) if  $x$  is a  $g\alpha T_0$ -limit point of  $X$ , then for any non empty  $g\alpha$ -open set  $U$ , there exists a non empty  $g\alpha$ -open set  $V$  such that  $g\alpha cl(V) \subset U, x \notin g\alpha cl(V)$ .
- (ii) if  $x$  is a  $T_0$ -limit point of  $X$ , then for any non empty  $g\alpha$ -open set  $U$ , there exists a non empty  $g\alpha$ -open set  $V$  such that  $g\alpha cl(V) \subset U, x \notin g\alpha cl(V)$ .

**Theorem 4.15:** If  $X$  is a  $g\alpha$ -compact  $g\alpha$ - $R_1$ -space, then  $X$  is a Baire Space.

**Proof:** Let  $\{A_n\}$  be a countable collection of  $g\alpha$ -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  $g\alpha$ -open set say  $U_0$ . Therefore we can choose a point  $y \in U_0$  such that

$y \notin A_1$ . For  $X$  is  $g\alpha$ -regular, and  $y \in (X - A_1) \cap U_0$ , a  $g\alpha$ -open set, we can find a  $g\alpha$ -open set  $U_1$  in  $X$  such that  $y \in U_1$ ,  $g\alpha cl(U_1) \subset (X - A_1) \cap U_0$ . Hence  $U_1$  is a non empty  $g\alpha$ -open set in  $X$  such that  $g\alpha cl(U_1) \subset U_0$  and  $g\alpha cl(U_1) \cap A_1 = \phi$ . Continuing this process, in general, for given non empty  $g\alpha$ -open set  $U_{n-1}$ , we can choose a point of  $U_{n-1}$  which is not in the  $g\alpha$ -closed set  $A_n$  and a  $g\alpha$ -open set  $U_n$  containing this point such that  $g\alpha cl(U_n) \subset U_{n-1}$  and  $g\alpha cl(U_n) \cap A_n = \phi$ . Thus we get a sequence of nested non empty  $g\alpha$ -closed sets which satisfies the finite intersection property. Therefore  $\bigcap g\alpha cl(U_n) \neq \phi$ . Then some  $x \in \bigcap g\alpha cl(U_n)$  which in turn implies that  $x \in U_{n-1}$  as  $g\alpha cl(U_n) \subset U_{n-1}$  and  $x \notin A_n$  for each  $n$ .

**Corollary 4.16:** If  $X$  is a compact  $g\alpha$ - $R_1$ -space, then  $X$  is a Baire Space.

**Corollary 4.17:** Let  $X$  be a  $g\alpha$ -compact  $g\alpha$ - $R_1$ -space. If  $\{A_n\}$  is a countable collection of  $g\alpha$ -closed sets in  $X$ , each  $A_n$  having non-empty  $g\alpha$ -interior in  $X$ , then there is a point of  $X$  which is not in any of the  $A_n$ .

**Corollary 4.18:** Let  $X$  be a  $g\alpha$ -compact  $R_1$ -space. If  $\{A_n\}$  is a countable collection of  $g\alpha$ -closed sets in  $X$ , each  $A_n$  having non-empty  $g\alpha$ -interior in  $X$ , then there is a point of  $X$  which is not in any of the  $A_n$ .

**Theorem 4.19:** Let  $X$  be a non empty compact  $g\alpha$ - $R_1$ -space. If every point of  $X$  is a  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point of  $X$  then  $X$  is uncountable.

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

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

Now consider the nested sequence of  $g\alpha$ -closed sets  $g\alpha cl V_1 \supset g\alpha cl V_2 \supset g\alpha cl V_3 \supset \dots \supset g\alpha cl V_n \supset \dots$

Since  $X$  is  $g\alpha$ -compact and  $\{g\alpha cl V_n\}$  the sequence of  $g\alpha$ -closed sets satisfies finite intersection property. By Cantors intersection theorem, there exists an  $x$  in  $X$  such that  $x \in g\alpha cl V_n$ . Further  $x \in X$  and  $x \in V_1$ , which is not equal to any of the points of  $X$ . Hence  $X$  is uncountable.

**Corollary 4.20:** Let  $X$  be a non empty  $g\alpha$ -compact  $g\alpha$ - $R_1$ -space. If every point of  $X$  is a  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -limit point of  $X$  then  $X$  is uncountable

## 5. $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -IDENTIFICATION SPACES AND $g\alpha$ -SEPARATION AXIOMS:

**Definition 5.01:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and let  $\mathfrak{R}$  be the equivalence relation on  $X$  defined by  $x\mathfrak{R}y$  iff  $g\alpha cl\{x\} = g\alpha cl\{y\}$

**Problem 5.02:** show that  $x\mathfrak{R}y$  iff  $g\alpha cl\{x\} = g\alpha cl\{y\}$  is an equivalence relation

**Definition 5.03:** The space  $(X_0, Q(X_0))$  is called the  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$ -identification space of  $(X, \tau)$ , 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

**Lemma 5.04:** If  $x \in X$  and  $A \subset X$ , then  $x \in g\alpha cl A$  iff every  $g\alpha$ -open set containing  $x$  intersects  $A$ .

**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  $g\alpha$ - $T_0$

**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  $g\alpha cl\{y\} = g\alpha cl\{x\}$ , 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  $G \neq H$  and let  $x \in G$  and  $y \in H$ . Then  $g\alpha cl\{x\} \neq g\alpha cl\{y\}$ , which implies that  $x \notin g\alpha cl\{y\}$  or  $y \notin g\alpha cl\{x\}$ , say  $x \notin g\alpha cl\{y\}$ . Since  $P_X$  is continuous and open, then  $G \in A = P_X\{X \sim g\alpha cl\{y\}\} \notin PO(X_0, Q(X_0))$  and  $H \in A$

**Theorem 5.06:** The following are equivalent:

(i)  $X$  is  $g\alpha R_0$  (ii)  $X_0 = \{g\alpha cl\{x\}; x \in X\}$  and (iii)  $(X_0, Q(X_0))$  is  $g\alpha T_1$

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

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

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

**Theorem 5.07:**  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g\alpha R_1$  iff  $(X_0, Q(X_0))$  is  $g\alpha T_2$

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

**Theorem 5.08:**  $X$  is  $g\alpha T_i$ ;  $i = 0, 1, 2$  iff there exists a  $g\alpha$ -continuous, almost-open, 1-1 function from  $(X, \tau)$  into a  $g\alpha T_i$  space;  $i = 0, 1, 2$ , respectively.

**Proof:** If  $X$  is  $g\alpha T_i$ ;  $i = 0, 1, 2$ , then the identity function on  $X$  satisfies the desired properties. The converse is (ii) part of Theorem 2.13.

The following example shows that if  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is continuous,  $g\alpha$ -open, bijective,  $A \in PO(Y, \sigma)$ , and  $(Y, \sigma)$  is  $g\alpha T_i$ ;  $i = 0, 1, 2$ , then  $f^{-1}(A)$  need not be  $g\alpha$ -open and  $(X, \tau)$  need not be  $g\alpha T_i$ ;  $i = 0, 1, 2$

**Theorem 5.09:** If  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is  $g\alpha$ -continuous,  $g\alpha$ -open, and  $x, y \in X$  such that  $g\alpha cl\{x\} = g\alpha cl\{y\}$ , then  $g\alpha cl\{f(x)\} = g\alpha cl\{f(y)\}$ .

**Theorem 5.10:** The following are equivalent

(i)  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g\alpha T_0$

(ii) Elements of  $X_0$  are singleton sets and

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

**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  $g\alpha cl\{f(x)\} \neq g\alpha cl\{f(y)\}$ . Then by theorem 5.09  $g\alpha cl\{x\} \neq g\alpha cl\{y\}$ . Hence  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g\alpha T_0$

**Corollary 5.11:** A space  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g\alpha T_i$ ;  $i = 1, 2$  iff  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g\alpha T_{i-1}$ ;  $i = 1, 2$ , respectively, and there exists a  $g\alpha$ -continuous,  $g\alpha$ -open, 1-1 function  $f: (X, \tau)$  into a  $g\alpha T_0$  space.

**Definition 5.04:**  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is point-  $g\alpha$ -closure 1-1 iff for  $x, y \in X$  such that  $g\alpha cl\{x\} \neq g\alpha cl\{y\}$ ,  $g\alpha cl\{f(x)\} \neq g\alpha cl\{f(y)\}$ .

**Theorem 5.12:**

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

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

**Proof:** omitted

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

**Theorem 5.13:**  $X$  is  $g\alpha$ - $R_i$ ;  $i = 0, 1$  iff there exists a  $g\alpha$ -continuous, almost-open point- $g\alpha$ -closure  $1-1$  function  $f: (X, \tau)$  into a  $g\alpha$ - $R_i$  space;  $i = 0, 1$  respectively.

## 6. $g\alpha$ -Normal; Almost $g\alpha$ -normal and Mildly $g\alpha$ -normal spaces:

**Definition 6.1:** A space  $X$  is said to be  $g\alpha$ -normal if for any pair of disjoint closed sets  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ , there exist disjoint  $g\alpha$ -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  $g\alpha$ -normal.

**Example 5:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  and  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, X\}$ . Then  $X$  is not  $g\alpha$ -normal and is not normal. We have the following characterization of  $g\alpha$ -normality.

**Theorem 6.1:** For a space  $X$  the following are equivalent:

- (i)  $X$  is  $g\alpha$ -normal.
- (ii) For every pair of open sets  $U$  and  $V$  whose union is  $X$ , there exist  $g\alpha$ -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  $g\alpha$ -open set  $U$  such that  $F \subset U \subset g\alpha cl(U) \subset G$ .

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

(b) $\Rightarrow$ (c): 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  $g\alpha$ -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  $g\alpha$ -open sets such that  $F \subset U \subset X-V \subset G$ . As  $X-V$  is  $g\alpha$ -closed set, we have  $g\alpha cl(U) \subset X-V$  and  $F \subset U \subset g\alpha cl(U) \subset G$ .

(c) $\Rightarrow$ (a): 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  $g\alpha$ -open set  $U$  of  $X$  such that  $F_1 \subset U \subset g\alpha cl(U) \subset G$ . It follows that  $F_2 \subset X-g\alpha cl(U) = V$ , say, then  $V$  is  $g\alpha$ -open and  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ . Hence  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are separated by  $g\alpha$ -open sets  $U$  and  $V$ . Therefore  $X$  is  $g\alpha$ -normal.

**Theorem 6.2:** A regular open subspace of a  $g\alpha$ -normal space is  $g\alpha$ -normal.

**Proof:** Let  $Y$  be a regular open subspace of a  $g\alpha$ -normal space  $X$ . Let  $A$  and  $B$  be disjoint closed subsets of  $Y$ . As  $Y$  is regular open,  $A, B$  are closed sets of  $X$ . By  $g\alpha$ -normality of  $X$ , there exist disjoint  $g\alpha$ -open sets  $U$  and  $V$  in  $X$  such that  $A \subset U$  and  $B \subset V$ ,  $U \cap Y$  and  $V \cap Y$  are  $g\alpha$ -open in  $Y$  such that  $A \subset U \cap Y$  and  $B \subset V \cap Y$ . Hence  $Y$  is  $g\alpha$ -normal.

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

However we observe that every  $g\alpha$ -normal  $g\alpha$ - $R_0$  space is  $g\alpha$ -regular.

Now, we define the following.

**Definition 6.2:** A function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be almost -  $g\alpha$ -irresolute if for each  $x$  in  $X$  and each  $g\alpha$ -neighborhood  $V$  of  $f(x)$ ,  $g\alpha cl(f^{-1}(V))$  is a  $g\alpha$ -neighborhood of  $x$ .

Clearly every  $g\alpha$ -irresolute map is almost  $g\alpha$ -irresolute.

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

**Lemma 6.1:**  $f$  is almost  $g\alpha$ -irresolute iff  $f^{-1}(V) \subset g\alpha\text{-int}(g\alpha cl(f^{-1}(V)))$  for every  $V \in g\alpha\mathcal{O}(Y)$ . Now we prove the following.

**Lemma 6.2:**  $f$  is almost  $g\alpha$ -irresolute iff  $f(g\alpha cl(U)) \subset g\alpha cl(f(U))$  for every  $U \in g\alpha\mathcal{O}(X)$ .

**Proof:** Let  $U \in g\alpha\mathcal{O}(X)$ . Suppose  $y \notin g\alpha cl(f(U))$ . Then there exists  $V \in g\alpha\mathcal{O}(y)$  such that  $V \cap f(U) = \emptyset$ . Hence  $f^{-1}(V) \cap U = \emptyset$ . Since  $U \in g\alpha\mathcal{O}(X)$ , we have  $g\alpha\text{-int}(g\alpha cl(f^{-1}(V))) \cap g\alpha cl(U) = \emptyset$ . Then by lemma 6.1,  $f^{-1}(V) \cap g\alpha cl(U) = \emptyset$  and hence  $V \cap f(g\alpha cl(U)) = \emptyset$ . This implies that  $y \notin f(g\alpha cl(U))$ .

Conversely, if  $V \in g\alpha O(Y)$ , then  $W = X - g\alpha cl(f^{-1}(V)) \in g\alpha O(X)$ . By hypothesis,  $f(g\alpha cl(W)) \subset g\alpha cl(f(W))$  and hence  $X - g\alpha - int(g\alpha cl(f^{-1}(V))) = g\alpha cl(W) \subset f^{-1}(g\alpha cl(f(W))) \subset f(g\alpha cl[f(X - f^{-1}(V))]) \subset f^{-1}[g\alpha cl(Y - V)] = f^{-1}(Y - V) = X - f^{-1}(V)$ .

Therefore,  $f^{-1}(V) \subset g\alpha - int(g\alpha cl(f^{-1}(V)))$ . By lemma 6.1,  $f$  is almost  $g\alpha$ -irresolute.

Now we prove the following result on the invariance of  $g\alpha$ -normality.

**Theorem 6.3:** If  $f$  is an M-  $g\alpha$ -open continuous almost  $g\alpha$ -irresolute function from a  $g\alpha$ -normal space  $X$  onto a space  $Y$ , then  $Y$  is  $g\alpha$ -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  $g\alpha$ -normal, there exists a  $g\alpha$ -open set  $U$  in  $X$  such that  $f^{-1}(A) \subset U \subset g\alpha cl(U) \subset f^{-1}(B)$ . Then  $f(f^{-1}(A)) \subset f(U) \subset f(g\alpha cl(U)) \subset f(f^{-1}(B))$ . Since  $f$  is M- $g\alpha$ -open almost  $g\alpha$ -irresolute surjection, we obtain  $A \subset f(U) \subset g\alpha cl(f(U)) \subset B$ . Then again by Theorem 6.1 the space  $Y$  is  $g\alpha$ -normal.

**Lemma 6.3:** A mapping  $f$  is M-  $g\alpha$ -closed if and only if for each subset  $B$  in  $Y$  and for each  $g\alpha$ -open set  $U$  in  $X$  containing  $f^{-1}(B)$ , there exists a  $g\alpha$ -open set  $V$  containing  $B$  such that  $f^{-1}(V) \subset U$ .

Now we prove the following:

**Theorem 6.4:** If  $f$  is an M-  $g\alpha$ -closed continuous function from a  $g\alpha$ -normal space onto a space  $Y$ , then  $Y$  is  $g\alpha$ -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.

**Theorem 6.5:** If  $f$  is an M-  $g\alpha$ -closed map from a weakly Hausdorff  $g\alpha$ -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  $g\alpha - T_2$ .

**Proof:** Let  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  be any two distinct points of  $Y$ . 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  $g\alpha$ -normal, there exist disjoint  $g\alpha$ -open sets  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  such that  $f^{-1}(y_i) \subset V_i$ , for  $i = 1, 2$ . Since  $f$  is M-  $g\alpha$ -closed, there exist  $g\alpha$ -open sets  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  containing  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  such that  $f^{-1}(U_i) \subset V_i$  for  $i = 1, 2$ . Then it follows that  $U_1 \cap U_2 = \phi$ . Hence  $Y$  is  $g\alpha - T_2$ .

**Theorem 6.6:** For a space  $X$  we have the following:

(a) If  $X$  is normal then for any disjoint closed sets  $A$  and  $B$ , there exist disjoint  $g\alpha$ -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  $g\alpha$ -open set  $U$  of  $X$  such that  $A \subset U \subset g\alpha cl(U) \subset V$ .

**Definition 6.2:**  $X$  is said to be almost  $g\alpha$ -normal if for each closed set  $A$  and each regular closed set  $B$  such that  $A \cap B = \phi$ , there exist disjoint  $g\alpha$ -open sets  $U$  and  $V$  such that  $A \subset U$  and  $B \subset V$ .

Clearly, every  $g\alpha$ -normal space is almost  $g\alpha$ -normal, but not conversely in general.

**Example 7:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$ . Then  $X$  is almost  $g\alpha$ -normal and not  $g\alpha$ -normal.

Now, we have characterization of almost  $g\alpha$ -normality in the following.

**Theorem 6.7:** For a space  $X$  the following statements are equivalent:

(i)  $X$  is almost  $g\alpha$ -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  $g\alpha$ -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  $g\alpha$ -open set  $V$  such that  $A \subset V \subset g\alpha cl(V) \subset B$ .

**Proof:** (a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b) Let  $U$  be an open set and  $V$  be a regular open set in an almost  $g\alpha$ -normal space  $X$  such that  $U \cup V = X$ . Then  $(X - U)$  is closed set and  $(X - V)$  is regular closed set with  $(X - U) \cap (X - V) = \phi$ . By almost  $g\alpha$ -normality of  $X$ , there



exist disjoint  $g\alpha$ -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  $g\alpha$ -closed sets such that  $G \subset U$ ,  $H \subset V$  and  $G \cup H = X$ .

(b)  $\Rightarrow$  (c) and (c)  $\Rightarrow$  (a) are obvious.

One can prove that almost  $g\alpha$ -normality is also regular open hereditary.

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

Next, we prove the following.

**Theorem 6.8:** Every almost regular,  $\nu$ -compact space  $X$  is almost  $g\alpha$ -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  $g\alpha$ -normality in the following.

**Theorem 6.9:** If  $f$  is continuous M-  $g\alpha$ -open rc-continuous and almost  $g\alpha$ -irresolute surjection from an almost  $g\alpha$ -normal space  $X$  onto a space  $Y$ , then  $Y$  is almost  $g\alpha$ -normal.

**Definition 6.3:** A space  $X$  is said to be mildly  $g\alpha$ -normal if for every pair of disjoint regular closed sets  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  of  $X$ , there exist disjoint  $g\alpha$ -open sets  $U$  and  $V$  such that  $F_1 \subset U$  and  $F_2 \subset V$ .

**Example 8:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $\tau = \{\phi, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$ . Then  $X$  is mildly  $g\alpha$ -regular.

We have the following characterization of mild  $g\alpha$ -normality.

**Theorem 6.10:** For a space  $X$  the following are equivalent.

(i)  $X$  is mildly  $g\alpha$ -normal.

(ii) For every pair of regular open sets  $U$  and  $V$  whose union is  $X$ , there exist  $g\alpha$ -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  $g\alpha$ -open set  $U$  such that  $A \subset U \subset g\alpha cl(U) \subset B$ .

(iv) For every pair of disjoint regular closed sets, there exist  $g\alpha$ -open sets  $U$  and  $V$  such that  $A \subset U$ ,  $B \subset V$  and  $g\alpha cl(U) \cap g\alpha cl(V) = \phi$ .

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

Also, we observe that mild  $g\alpha$ -normality is regular open hereditary.

We define the following

**Definition 6.4:** A space  $X$  is weakly  $g\alpha$ -regular if for each point  $x$  and a regular open set  $U$  containing  $\{x\}$ , there is a  $g\alpha$ -open set  $V$  such that  $x \in V \subset clV \subset U$ .

**Example 9:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $\tau = \{\phi, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$ . Then  $X$  is weakly  $g\alpha$ -regular.

**Example 10:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ . Then  $X$  is not weakly  $g\alpha$ -regular.

**Theorem 6.11:** If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is an M-  $g\alpha$ -open rc-continuous and almost  $g\alpha$ -irresolute function from a mildly  $g\alpha$ -normal space  $X$  onto a space  $Y$ , then  $Y$  is mildly  $g\alpha$ -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  $g\alpha$ -normal, there exists a  $g\alpha$ -open set  $V$  such that  $f^{-1}(A) \subset V \subset g\alpha cl(V) \subset f^{-1}(B)$  by Theorem 6.10. As  $f$  is M-  $g\alpha$ -open and almost  $g\alpha$ -irresolute surjection, it follows that  $f(V) \in g\alpha O(Y)$  and  $A \subset f(V) \subset g\alpha cl(f(V)) \subset B$ . Hence  $Y$  is mildly  $g\alpha$ -normal.

**Theorem 6.12:** If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is  $rc$ -continuous,  $M$ -  $g\alpha$ -closed map from a mildly  $g\alpha$ -normal space  $X$  onto a space  $Y$ , then  $Y$  is mildly  $g\alpha$ -normal.

## 7. $g\alpha$ -US spaces:

**Definition 7.1:** A sequence  $\langle x_n \rangle$  is said to be  $g\alpha$ -converges to a point  $x$  of  $X$ , written as  $\langle x_n \rangle \rightarrow^{g\alpha} x$  if  $\langle x_n \rangle$  is eventually in every  $g\alpha$ -open set containing  $x$ .

Clearly, if a sequence  $\langle x_n \rangle$   $r$ -converges to a point  $x$  of  $X$ , then  $\langle x_n \rangle$   $g\alpha$ -converges to  $x$ .

**Definition 7.2:**  $X$  is said to be  $g\alpha$ -US if every sequence  $\langle x_n \rangle$  in  $X$   $g\alpha$ -converges to a unique point.

**Theorem 7.1:** Every  $g\alpha$ -US space is  $g\alpha$ - $T_1$ .

**Proof:** Let  $X$  be  $g\alpha$ -US space. Let  $x$  and  $y$  be two distinct points of  $X$ . Consider the sequence  $\langle x_n \rangle$  where  $x_n = x$  for every  $n$ . Clearly,  $\langle x_n \rangle \rightarrow^{g\alpha} x$ . Also, since  $x \neq y$  and  $X$  is  $g\alpha$ -US,  $\langle x_n \rangle$  cannot  $g\alpha$ -converge to  $y$ , i.e., there exists a  $g\alpha$ -open set  $V$  containing  $y$  but not  $x$ . Similarly, for the sequence  $\langle y_n \rangle$  where  $y_n = y$  for all  $n$ , and proceeding as above we get a  $g\alpha$ -open set  $U$  containing  $x$  but not  $y$ . Thus, the space  $X$  is  $g\alpha$ - $T_1$ .

**Theorem 7.2:** Every  $g\alpha$ - $T_2$  space is  $g\alpha$ -US.

**Proof:** Let  $X$  be  $g\alpha$ - $T_2$  space and  $\langle x_n \rangle$  be a sequence in  $X$ . If possible suppose that  $\langle x_n \rangle$   $g\alpha$ -converge to two distinct points  $x$  and  $y$ . That is,  $\langle x_n \rangle$  is eventually in every  $g\alpha$ -open set containing  $x$  and also in every  $g\alpha$ -open set containing  $y$ . This is contradiction since  $X$  is  $g\alpha$ - $T_2$  space. Hence the space  $X$  is  $g\alpha$ -US.

**Definition 7.3:** A set  $F$  is sequentially  $g\alpha$ -closed if every sequence in  $F$   $g\alpha$ -converges to a point in  $F$ .

**Theorem 7.3:**  $X$  is  $g\alpha$ -US iff the diagonal set is a sequentially  $g\alpha$ -closed subset of  $X \times X$ .

**Proof:** Let  $X$  be  $g\alpha$ -US. Let  $\langle x_n, x_n \rangle$  be a sequence in  $\Delta$ . Then  $\langle x_n \rangle$  is a sequence in  $X$ . As  $X$  is  $g\alpha$ -US,  $\langle x_n \rangle \rightarrow^{g\alpha} x$  for a unique  $x \in X$ . i.e., if  $\langle x_n \rangle \rightarrow^{g\alpha} x$  and  $y$ . Thus,  $x = y$ . Hence  $\Delta$  is sequentially  $g\alpha$ -closed.

Conversely, let  $\Delta$  be sequentially  $g\alpha$ -closed and let  $\langle x_n \rangle \rightarrow^{g\alpha} x$  and  $y$ . Hence  $\langle x_n, x_n \rangle \rightarrow^{g\alpha} (x, y)$ . Since  $\Delta$  is sequentially  $g\alpha$ -closed,  $(x, y) \in \Delta$  which means that  $x = y$  implies space  $X$  is  $g\alpha$ -US.

**Definition 7.4:** A subset  $G$  of a space  $X$  is said to be sequentially  $g\alpha$ -compact if every sequence in  $G$  has a subsequence which  $g\alpha$ -converges to a point in  $G$ .

**Theorem 7.4:** In a  $g\alpha$ -US space every sequentially  $g\alpha$ -compact set is sequentially  $g\alpha$ -closed.

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

Next, we give a hereditary property of  $g\alpha$ -US spaces.

**Theorem 7.5:** Every regular open subset of a  $g\alpha$ -US space is  $g\alpha$ -US.

**Proof:** Let  $X$  be a  $g\alpha$ -US space and  $Y \subset X$  be an regular open set. Let  $\langle x_n \rangle$  be a sequence in  $Y$ . Suppose that  $\langle x_n \rangle$   $g\alpha$ -converges to  $x$  and  $y$  in  $Y$ . We shall prove that  $\langle x_n \rangle$   $g\alpha$ -converges to  $x$  and  $y$  in  $X$ . Let  $U$  be any  $g\alpha$ -open subset of  $X$  containing  $x$  and  $V$  be any  $g\alpha$ -open set of  $X$  containing  $y$ . Then,  $U \cap Y$  and  $V \cap Y$  are  $g\alpha$ -open sets in  $Y$ . Therefore,  $\langle x_n \rangle$  is eventually in  $U \cap Y$  and  $V \cap Y$  and so in  $U$  and  $V$ . Since  $X$  is  $g\alpha$ -US, this implies that  $x = y$ . Hence the subspace  $Y$  is  $g\alpha$ -US.

**Theorem 7.6:** A space  $X$  is  $g\alpha$ - $T_2$  iff it is both  $g\alpha$ - $R_1$  and  $g\alpha$ -US.

**Proof:** Let  $X$  be  $g\alpha$ - $T_2$  space. Then  $X$  is  $g\alpha$ - $R_1$  and  $g\alpha$ -US by Theorem 7.2.

Conversely, let  $X$  be both  $g\alpha$ - $R_1$  and  $g\alpha$ -US space. By Theorem 7.1,  $X$  is both  $g\alpha$ - $T_1$  and  $g\alpha$ - $R_1$  and, it follows that space  $X$  is  $g\alpha$ - $T_2$ .

**Definition 7.5:** A point  $y$  is a  $g\alpha$ -cluster point of sequence  $\langle x_n \rangle$  iff  $\langle x_n \rangle$  is frequently in every  $g\alpha$ -open set containing  $x$ . The set of all  $g\alpha$ -cluster points of  $\langle x_n \rangle$  will be denoted by  $g\alpha\text{-cl}(\langle x_n \rangle)$ .

**Definition 7.6:** A point  $y$  is  $g\alpha$ -side point of a sequence  $\langle x_n \rangle$  if  $y$  is a  $g\alpha$ -cluster point of  $\langle x_n \rangle$  but no subsequence of  $\langle x_n \rangle$   $g\alpha$ -converges to  $y$ .

Now, we define the following.

**Definition 7.7:** A space  $X$  is said to be

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

**Lemma 7.1:** Every  $g\alpha$ - $S_2$  space is  $g\alpha$ - $S_1$  and Every  $g\alpha$ - $S_1$  space is  $g\alpha$ -US.

Using sequentially continuous functions, we define sequentially  $g\alpha$ -continuous functions.

**Definition 7.8:** A function  $f$  is said to be sequentially  $g\alpha$ -continuous at  $x \in X$  if  $f(x_n) \rightarrow^{g\alpha} f(x)$  whenever  $\langle x_n \rangle \rightarrow^{g\alpha} x$ .

If  $f$  is sequentially  $g\alpha$ -continuous at all  $x \in X$ , then  $f$  is said to be sequentially  $g\alpha$ -continuous.

**Theorem 7.7:** Let  $f$  and  $g$  be two sequentially  $g\alpha$ -continuous functions. If  $Y$  is  $g\alpha$ -US, then the set  $A = \{x \mid f(x) = g(x)\}$  is sequentially  $g\alpha$ -closed.

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

Next, we prove the product theorem for  $g\alpha$ -US spaces.

**Theorem 7.8:** Product of arbitrary family of  $g\alpha$ -US spaces is  $g\alpha$ -US.

**Proof:** Let  $X = \prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda$  where  $X_\lambda$  is  $g\alpha$ -US. Let a sequence  $\langle x_n \rangle$  in  $X$   $g\alpha$ -converges to  $x (= x_\lambda)$  and  $y (= y_\lambda)$ . Then  $\langle x_{n\lambda} \rangle \rightarrow^{g\alpha} x_\lambda$  and  $y_\lambda$  for all  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . For suppose there exists a  $\mu \in \Lambda$  such that  $\langle x_{n\mu} \rangle$  does not  $g\alpha$ -converges to  $x_\mu$ . Then there exists a  $\tau_\mu$ - $g\alpha$ -open set  $U_\mu$  containing  $x_\mu$  such that  $\langle x_{n\mu} \rangle$  is not eventually in  $U_\mu$ . Consider the set  $U = \prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda \times U_\mu$ . Then  $U$  is a  $g\alpha$ -open subset of  $X$  and  $x \in U$ . Also,  $\langle x_n \rangle$  is not eventually in  $U$ , which contradicts the fact that  $\langle x_n \rangle \rightarrow^{g\alpha} x$ . Thus we get  $\langle x_{n\lambda} \rangle \rightarrow^{g\alpha} x_\lambda$  and  $y_\lambda$  for all  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . Since  $X_\lambda$  is  $g\alpha$ -US for each  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . Thus  $x = y$ . Hence  $X$  is  $g\alpha$ -US.

## 8. Sequentially sub- $g\alpha$ -continuity:

**Definition 8.1:** A function  $f$  is said to be

(i) sequentially nearly  $g\alpha$ -continuous if for each point  $x \in X$  and each sequence  $\langle x_n \rangle \rightarrow^{g\alpha} x$  in  $X$ , there exists a subsequence  $\langle x_{nk} \rangle$  of  $\langle x_n \rangle$  such that  $\langle f(x_{nk}) \rangle \rightarrow^{g\alpha} f(x)$ .

(ii) sequentially sub-  $g\alpha$ -continuous if for each point  $x \in X$  and each sequence  $\langle x_n \rangle \rightarrow^{g\alpha} x$  in  $X$ , there exists a subsequence  $\langle x_{nk} \rangle$  of  $\langle x_n \rangle$  and a point  $y \in Y$  such that  $\langle f(x_{nk}) \rangle \rightarrow^{g\alpha} y$ .

(iii) sequentially  $g\alpha$ -compact preserving if  $f(K)$  is sequentially  $g\alpha$ -compact in  $Y$  for every sequentially  $g\alpha$ -compact set  $K$  of  $X$ .

**Lemma 8.1:** Every function  $f$  is sequentially sub-  $g\alpha$ -continuous if  $Y$  is a sequentially  $g\alpha$ -compact.

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

**Theorem 8.1:** Every sequentially nearly  $g\alpha$ -continuous function is sequentially  $g\alpha$ -compact preserving.

**Proof:** Assume  $f$  is sequentially nearly  $g\alpha$ -continuous and  $K$  any sequentially  $g\alpha$ -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  $g\alpha$ -compact set  $K$ , there exists a subsequence  $\langle x_{nk} \rangle$  of  $\langle x_n \rangle$   $g\alpha$ -converging to a point  $x \in K$ . By hypothesis,  $f$  is sequentially nearly  $g\alpha$ -continuous and hence there exists a subsequence  $\langle x_j \rangle$  of  $\langle x_{nk} \rangle$  such that

$f(x_i) \rightarrow^{s\alpha} f(x)$ . Thus, there exists a subsequence  $\langle y_j \rangle$  of  $\langle y_n \rangle$   $g\alpha$ -converging to  $f(x) \in f(K)$ . This shows that  $f(K)$  is sequentially  $g\alpha$ -compact set in  $Y$ .

**Theorem 8.2:** Every sequentially  $\alpha$ -continuous function is sequentially  $g\alpha$ -continuous.

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

**Theorem 8.3:** Every sequentially  $g\alpha$ -compact preserving function is sequentially sub-  $g\alpha$ -continuous.

**Proof:** Suppose  $f$  is a sequentially  $g\alpha$ -compact preserving function. Let  $x$  be any point of  $X$  and  $\langle x_n \rangle$  any sequence in  $X$   $g\alpha$ -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  $g\alpha$ -compact since  $\langle x_n \rangle \rightarrow^{s\alpha} x$ . By hypothesis,  $f$  is sequentially  $g\alpha$ -compact preserving and hence  $f(K)$  is a sequentially  $g\alpha$ -compact set of  $Y$ . Since  $\{f(x_n)\}$  is a sequence in  $f(K)$ , there exists a subsequence  $\{f(x_{n_k})\}$  of  $\{f(x_n)\}$   $g\alpha$ -converging to a point  $y \in f(K)$ . This implies that  $f$  is sequentially sub-  $g\alpha$ -continuous.

**Theorem 8.4:** A function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is sequentially  $g\alpha$ -compact preserving iff  $f|_K: K \rightarrow f(K)$  is sequentially sub-  $g\alpha$ -continuous for each sequentially  $g\alpha$ -compact subset  $K$  of  $X$ .

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

Conversely, let  $K$  be any sequentially  $g\alpha$ -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  $g\alpha$ -compact set  $K$ , there exists a subsequence  $\langle x_{n_k} \rangle$  of  $\langle x_n \rangle$   $g\alpha$ -converging to a point  $x \in K$ . By hypothesis,  $f|_K: K \rightarrow f(K)$  is sequentially sub-  $g\alpha$ -continuous and hence there exists a subsequence  $\langle y_{n_k} \rangle$  of  $\langle y_n \rangle$   $g\alpha$ -converging to a point  $y \in f(K)$ . This implies that  $f(K)$  is sequentially  $g\alpha$ -compact set in  $Y$ . Thus,  $f$  is sequentially  $g\alpha$ -compact preserving function.

The following corollary gives a sufficient condition for a sequentially sub-  $g\alpha$ -continuous function to be sequentially  $g\alpha$ -compact preserving.

**Corollary 8.1:** If  $f$  is sequentially sub-  $g\alpha$ -continuous and  $f(K)$  is sequentially  $g\alpha$ -closed set in  $Y$  for each sequentially  $g\alpha$ -compact set  $K$  of  $X$ , then  $f$  is sequentially  $g\alpha$ -compact preserving function.

**Proof:** Omitted.

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