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### STUDY OF RL-SEPARATION AXIOMS

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Abstract: In this paper, we introduce the notion of RL- $T_i$  spaces for i = 1, 2, 3, 4 by using the RL-closed sets. We investigate their characterizations for such notions and established some relations among these spaces.

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#### 1. Introduction

In topological spaces, the separation axioms are primarily formulated to identify the non-homeomorphic topological spaces. The axioms  $T_0$  or kolmogorov space,  $T_1$ or Frechet space and  $T_2$  or Hausdorff spaces were introduced by Andrey kolmogorov, Frechet and Felix Hausdorff respectively.

Later, several kind of separation axioms and their properties have been studied and investigated by many topologist. For instances, Alias Barakat Khalat and etal. [1] studied new type of separation axioms namely, w-regular and w-normal spaces via w-open sets [6]. Hariwan Z. Ibrahim [7] defined and studied some separation axioms called  $Bc - T_k$  for k = 0, 1/2, 1, 2 spaces by using Bc-open sets. Benchalli etal. [2] defined  $\delta gb$ -closed sets and separation axioms namely,  $\delta gb - T_1, \delta gb - T_2,$  $\delta gb$  - regular and  $\delta gb$  - normal spaces. Mahesh Bhat and Hanif Page [3] used the notion of sgp-open sets [11] in order to study  $sgp - T_0, sgp - T_1$ , and  $sgp - T_2$ separation axioms. G. Navalagi and R. G. Charantimath [12] defined and studied gsp-separation axioms called,  $gsp - T_0, gsp - T_1, gsp - T_2$  via gsp-open sets [4]. Ittanagi and Govardhana Reddy [8] introduced and studied new kind of separation axioms namely,  $gg-T_0$ ,  $gg-T_1$ ,  $gg-T_2$ , gg-regular space and gg-normal space via gg- open sets [9]. Recently, M. Jeyachitra and K. Bageerathi [10] have introduced and investigated separation axioms namely,  $p^*gp - T_0$ ,  $p^*gp - T_1$  and  $p^*gp - T_2$ axioms.

The *RL*-closed sets and the *RL*-open sets are introduced and studied by the authors in [14]. In this paper, we introduced the notion of *RL-T<sub>i</sub>* spaces, i = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, by using the *RL*-open sets and studied and investigated their properties. Further, *RL*-homeomorphisms and *RL*\*-homeomorphisms were introduced and the *RL*-Hausdorff conditions were established for these two homeomorphisms.

# 2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, we represent X and Y as the topological spaces  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \sigma)$  respectively. For a subset A of X, cl(A) denotes the closure of A and int(A) denotes the interior of A.

We recall the following definitions in topological spaces.

**Definition 2.1.** [13] A subset A of a topological space X is called a regular open set if A = int(cl(A)). The complement of a regular open set is called a regular closed set.

**Definition 2.2.** [5] A subset A of a topological space X is called locally closed set (briefly lc set) if  $A = U \cap V$ , where U is open and V is closed in X.

The authors also recall the RL-closed sets defined by the same authors in the paper [14] with some other related definitions.

**Definition 2.3.** [14] Let A be a subset of a topological space X. Then,

- (i) A is called a regular locally closed set (briefly RL-closed set) if  $A = U \cap V$ , where U is a regular open set and V is a closed set in X. The complement of RL-closed set is called RL-open set in X.
- (ii) The intersection of all RL-closed supersets of A is called regular locally closure of A and is denoted by  $cl_{RL}(A)$ . Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a map between the topological spaces X and Y.
- (iii) f is called a regular locally closed continuous map (briefly RLC-continuous map) if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is a RL-closed set in X for every closed set V in Y.
- (iv) f is called regular locally closed irresolute map (briefly RLC-irresolute map) if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is a RL-closed set in X for each RL-closed set V in Y.

(v) f is called regular locally open map (briefly RL-open map) if the image of each open set in X is a RL-open set in Y.

**Proposition 2.1.** [14] If both A and B are RL-closed sets in a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , then  $A \cap B$  is RL-closed set.

**Proposition 2.2.** [14] If both A and B are RL-open sets, then  $A \cup B$  is a RL-open set in a topological space X.

#### 3. *RL*- Separation Axioms

**Definition 3.1.** A topological space X is said to be a regular locally- $T_1$  space (briefly RL- $T_1$  space) if for any pair of distinct points  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$  in X, each belongs to a RL-open set which does not contain the other.

**Theorem 3.1.** A topological space X is said to be RL- $T_1$  space if and only if every singleton subset of X is a RL-closed set.

**Proof.** Suppose that X is a RL- $T_1$  space and  $p \in X$ . We shall prove that  $\{p\}^C$  is a RL-open set. Let  $x \in \{p\}^C$ . Then,  $x \neq p$ , so  $\exists$  a RL-open set  $U_x$  in X such that  $x \in U_x$  but  $p \notin U_x$ . That is,  $x \in U_x \subseteq \{p\}^C$ . Thus,  $\bigcup_{x \in \{p\}^C} \{x\} \subseteq \bigcup \{U_x : x \in U_x \in \{p\}^C\}$ .

 $\{p\}^{C}\} \subseteq \{p\}^{C}$ . That is,  $\{p\}^{C} = \bigcup \{U_{x} : x \in \{p\}^{C}\}$ . Since  $\bigcup \{U_{x} : x \in \{p\}^{C}\}$  is *RL*-open,  $\{p\}^{C}$  is *RL*-open.

Conversely suppose that  $\{p\}$  is *RL*-closed for any  $p \in X$ . Let  $a, b \in X$  with  $a \neq b$ . Then,  $b \in \{a\}^C$  where  $\{a\}^C$  is *RL*-open and  $a \notin \{a\}^C$ . Similarly,  $a \in \{b\}^C$ , where  $\{b\}^C$  is *RL*-open and  $b \notin \{b\}^C$ . Thus, X is *RL*-T<sub>1</sub> space.

**Definition 3.2.** A topological space X is called a regular locally Hausdorff (briefly RL-Hausdorff) space if for each pair  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$  of distinct points of X, there are disjoint RL-open sets  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  such that  $x_1$  belongs to  $U_1$  and  $x_2$  belongs to  $U_2$ . This is clear that every Hausdorff space is a RL-Hausdorff space.

#### **Lemma 3.2.** Every RL-Hausdorff space is a RL- $T_1$ space.

**Proof.** Suppose that the topological space X is a RL-Hausdorff space and let  $x_1$ ,  $x_2 \in X$  such that  $x_1 \neq x_2$ . Since X is a RL-Hausdorff space, there exist disjoint RL-open sets  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  such that  $x_1 \in U_1$ ,  $x_2 \in U_2$ . That is, there exist RL-open sets  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  such that  $x_1 \in U_1$ ,  $x_1 \notin U_2$  and  $x_2 \in U_2$ ,  $x_2 \notin U_1$ . Thus, X is a RL-T<sub>1</sub> space.

**Definition 3.3.** The RL-subspace Y of a topological space X is a subset of X determined by all sets of the form  $Y \cap U$  where U is a RL-open set in X.

Proposition 3.1. Every RL-subspace of a RL-Hausdorff space is a RL-Hausdorff

space.

**Proof.** Let Y be a RL-subspace of a RL-Hausdorff space X and let  $x_1, x_2 \in X$ such that  $x_1 \neq x_2$ . Since X is RL-Hausdorff, there exist disjoint RL-open sets  $U_1$ ,  $U_2$  in X such that  $x_1 \in U_1, x_2 \in U_2$ . Then,  $x_1 \in Y \cap U_1$  and  $x_2 \in Y \cap U_2$  and  $(Y \cap U_1) \cap (Y \cap U_2) = \emptyset$ . Since Y is RL-subspace,  $Y \cap U_1$  and  $Y \cap U_2$  are RL-open sets in Y. Therefore, Y is a RL-Hausdorff space.

**Proposition 3.2.** All singleton sets are RL-closed sets in the RL-Hausdorff space. **Proof.** Suppose that X is a RL-Hausdorff space and let  $x \in X$ . We shall prove that  $\{x\}^C$  is a RL-open set. Let  $y \in \{x\}^C$ , then,  $y \neq x$ . Since X is RL-Hausdorff,  $y \in \{x\}^C$  has a RL-open set  $U_y$  which does not intersect with some RL-open set of x. Then, we get  $\{x\}^C = \bigcup \{U_y : y \in \{x\}^C\}$ . Since  $\bigcup \{U_y : y \in \{x\}^C\}$  is RL-open,  $\{x\}^C$  is RL-open.

**Proposition 3.3.** Let  $f : X \to Y$  be a bijective RLC-continuous map between the topological space X and Y. If Y is a Hausdorff space, then X is a RL-Hausdorff space.

**Proof.** Let  $x_1, x_2$  be two distinct points in X. Then,  $f(x_1), f(x_2)$  are distinct points in Y. Since Y is Hausdorff, there exist disjoint open sets  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  in Y such that  $f(x_1) \in U_1, f(x_2) \in U_2$ . This implies that  $x_1 \in f^{-1}(U_1)$  and  $x_2 \in f^{-1}(U_2)$ where  $f^{-1}(U_1)$  and  $f^{-1}(U_2)$  are RL-open sets in X by the RL-continuity of f. Now,  $f^{-1}(U_1) \cap f^{-1}(U_2) = f^{-1}(U_1 \cap U_2) = \emptyset$ , we get, X is a RL-Hausdorff space.

**Proposition 3.4.** Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a bijective RL-open map between the topological spaces X and Y. If X is a Hausdorff space, then Y is a RL-Hausdorff space. **Proof.** Let  $y_1, y_2$  be two distinct points in Y. Then, there exists two distinct points  $x_1, x_2$  in X such that  $f(x_1) = y_1$  and  $f(x_2) = y_2$ . Now X being a Hausdorff space, there exist disjoint open sets  $U_1, U_2$  in X, such that  $x_1 \in U_1$  and  $x_2 \in U_2$ . Since f is a RL-open map, there exists disjoint RL-open sets  $f(U_1), f(U_2)$  in Y such that  $f(x_1) \in f(U_1)$  and  $f(x_2) \in f(U_2)$ . Therefore Y is a RL-Hausdorff space.

# 4. Regular Locally Homeomorphism

**Definition 4.1.** A bijection map  $f : X \to Y$  between the topological spaces X and Y is called a regular locally homeomorphism (briefly RL-homeomorphism) if both f and  $f^{-1}$  are RLC-continuous maps.

It is clear that every homeomorphism is a RL-homeomorphism but, in general, the converse need not be true. This can be seen in the following example:

**Example 4.1.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$  and let  $Y = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, c\}\}$ . Define  $f : X \to Y$  by f(a) = b, f(b) = a and

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f(c) = c. Then, f is a RL-homeomorphism but not a homeomorphism.

**Definition 4.2.** A bijection map  $f : X \to Y$  between the topological spaces X and Y is called a  $RL^*$ -homeomorphism if both f and  $f^{-1}$  are RLC-irresolute maps. We note that every  $RL^*$ -homeomorphism is a RL-homeomorphism. But not conversely. That is for any space  $X, RL - h(X) \subseteq RL^* - h(X)$ .

**Theorem 4.2.** Let  $f : X \to Y$  be a bijective RL-homeomorphism between the topological spaces X and Y. Then,

- 1. if Y is a Hausdorff space, then X is a RL-Hausdorff space,
- 2. if X is a Hausdorff space, then Y is a RL-Hausdorff space.

**Proof.** Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a *RL*-homeomorphism. Then, by definition, both f and  $f^{-1}$  are *RLC*-continuous maps and so f is both *RLC*-continuous and *RLC*-open map. Hence by the above 3.3 and 3.4 Propositions, we get the result.

**Theorem 4.3.** Let  $f : X \to Y$  be a bijective map and let both f and  $f^{-1}$  are RLC-irresolute maps. Then, X is a RL-Hausdorff space if and only if Y is a RL-Hausdorff space.

**Proof.** Suppose that X is a *RL*-Hausdorff space. Let  $y_1, y_2$  be two distinct points in Y. Then, there exists two distinct points  $x_1, x_2$  in X such that  $f(x_1) = y_1$  and  $f(x_2) = y_2$ . Since X being *RL*-Hausdorff, there exist two disjoint *RL*-open sets  $U_1, U_2$  in X, such that  $x_1 \in U_1$  and  $x_2 \in U_2$ . Since  $f^{-1}$  is a *RLC*-irresolute map, the inverse image of  $U_1, U_2$  under  $f^{-1}, f(U_1), f(U_2)$  are disjoint *RL*-open sets in Y such that  $y_1 \in f(U_1)$  and  $y_2 \in f(U_2)$ . Therefore, Y is a *RL*-Hausdorff space.

Conversely, suppose that Y is a RL-Hausdorff space. Let  $x_1, x_2$  be two distinct points in X. Then,  $f(x_1), f(x_2)$  are the distinct points in Y. Since Y being RL-Hausdorff, there exist disjoint RL-open sets  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  in Y such that  $f(x_1) \in U_1$ ,  $f(x_2) \in U_2$ . This implies that  $x_1 \in f^{-1}(U_1)$  and  $x_2 \in f^{-1}(U_2)$  and also we get,  $f^{-1}(U_1)$  and  $f^{-1}(U_2)$  are RL-open sets in X. Now,  $f^{-1}(U_1) \cap f^{-1}(U_2) =$  $f^{-1}(U_1 \cap U_2) = \emptyset$ , we get, X is a RL-Hausdorff space.

**Theorem 4.4.** Let the bijective map be a  $f : X \to Y RL^*$ -homeomorphism. Then, X is a RL-Hausdorff space if and only if Y is a RL-Hausdorff space.

**Proof.** Let  $f : X \to Y$  be a  $RL^*$ -homeomorphism. Then, by definition, both f and  $f^{-1}$  are RLC-irresolute maps. Hence by theorem, we get the result.

**Theorem 4.5.** Every convergent sequence in a RL-Hausdorff space has a unique limit.

**Proof.** Suppose that X is a *RL*-Hausdorff space and let  $(x_n)$  be a sequence in X

which converges to the points  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  where  $x_1 \neq x_2$ . Since X is *RL*-Hausdorff, there exist disjoint *RL*-open sets  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  in X such that  $x_1 \in U_1, x_2 \in U_2$ . Then, there exist  $N_1, N_2 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that if  $n > \sup \{N_1, N_2\}$ , then,  $x_n \in U_1$  for  $n > N_1$  and  $x_n \in U_2$  for  $n > N_2$ . This is a contradiction that  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  are disjoint. Therefore,  $(x_n)$  has a unique limit.

**Definition 4.3.** A topological space X is said to be a regular locally-regular space (briefly RL-regular space) if V is a RL-closed subset of X and  $p \in X$  does not belong to V, then there exist disjoint RL-open sets  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  such that  $V \subset U_1$ and  $p \in U_2$ .

**Definition 4.4.** A topological space X is said to be a regular locally-regular  $T_1$  space (briefly RL-regular  $T_1$  space) if the RL-regular space X is also a separation axiom of RL- $T_1$  space. A RL-regular  $T_1$  space is called a RL- $T_3$  space.

**Theorem 4.6.** A topological space X is RL-regular if and only if for a given point x of X and a RL-open set U of x, there exists a RL-open set V of x such that  $cl_{RL}(V) \subset U$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that X is a RL-regular space and let x be a point of X and U be a RL-open set of X. Let A = X - U. Then, by hypothesis, there exist disjoint RL-open sets V and W containing x and A respectively. Now, the set  $cl_{RL}(V)$  is disjoint from A, since if  $y \in A$ , then the set W is a RL-open set of y disjoint from V. Therefore,  $cl_{RL}(V) \subset U$ .

Conversely, suppose that the point x and the RL-closed set A which is not containing x are given. Let U = X - A, then by hypothesis, there is a RL-open set V of x such that  $cl_{RL}(V) \subset U$ . The RL-open sets V and  $X - cl_{RL}(V)$  are disjoint RL-open sets containing x and A respectively. Thus X is a RL-regular space.

# **Theorem 4.7.** If X is a RL- $T_3$ space, then X is a RL-Hausdorff space.

**Proof.** Suppose that X is a RL- $T_3$  space and let  $x_1, x_2 \in X$ , where  $x_1 \neq x_2$ . Since X being a RL- $T_1$  space, every singleton set is RL-closed; that is,  $\{x_1\}$  and  $\{x_2\}$  are both RL-closed sets in X. Since X being a RL-regular space, there exist RL-open sets  $U \{x_1\}$  and  $V \{x_2\}$  such that  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ . Therefore, X is a RL-Hausdorff space.

**Definition 4.5.** A topological space X is said to be regular locally-normal space (briefly RL-normal space) if  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are disjoint RL-closed sets of X, then there exist disjoint RL-open sets  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  such that  $V_1 \subset U_1$  and  $V_2 \subset U_2$ .

**Definition 4.6.** A topological space X is said to be a regular locally-normal  $T_1$  space (briefly RL-normal  $T_1$  space) if the RL-normal space X is also a RL- $T_1$  space. A RL-normal  $T_1$  space is called a RL- $T_4$  space.

**Theorem 4.8.** A topological space X is RL-normal if and only if for a given RL-closed set A of X and a RL-open set  $U_1$  containing A, there exists a RL-open set  $U_2$  containing A such that  $cl_{RL}(U_2) \subset U_1$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that X is a *RL*-normal space and the *RL*-closed set A and the *RL*-open set  $U_1$  containing A are given. Let  $B = X - U_1$ , then by hypothesis, there exist disjoint *RL*-open sets  $U_2$  and  $U_3$  containing A and B respectively. Then, the set  $cl_{RL}(U_2)$  is disjoint from B, since if  $y \in B$ , the set  $U_3$  is a *RL*-open set of y disjoint from  $U_2$ . Therefore,  $cl_{RL}(U_2) \subset U_1$ .

Conversely, suppose that the *RL*-closed sets *A* and *B* are given. Let  $U_1 = X - A$ . By hypothesis, there is a *RL*-open set  $U_2$  of *A* such that  $cl_{RL}(U_2) \subset U_1$ . Then,  $U_2$  and  $X - cl_{RL}(U_2)$  are disjoint *RL*-open sets containing *A* and *B* respectively. Thus *X* is a *RL*-normal space.

# **Theorem 4.9.** If X is a RL- $T_4$ space, then X is a RL-regular space.

**Proof.** Suppose that X is a RL- $T_4$  space and let  $x \in X$  and A be a RL-closed set in X that does not contain x. Since X is a RL- $T_1$  space,  $\{x\}$  is RL-closed. Since X is RL-normal space, there exist RL-open sets U and V with  $\{x\} \subset U$  and  $A \subset V$  such that  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ . Therefore, X is RL-regular space.

## 5. Conclusion

In this paper, we introduced the notions of RL- $T_1$  space, RL-Hausdorff space, RL- $T_3$  space, and RL- $T_4$  space by using the RL-closed sets. We investigated their properties and found the relationship between them. We also introduced the notion of RL-homeomorphisms and  $RL^*$ -homeomorphisms and investigated their relationships with the RL-Hausdorff space.

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