



## Preopen sets in ideal bitopological spaces

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ABSTRACT: The aim of this paper is to introduce and characterize the concepts of preopen sets and their related notions in ideal bitopological spaces.

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### 1. Introduction and Preliminaries

The concept of ideals in topological spaces has been introduced and studied by Kuratowski [4] and Vaidyanathasamy [5]. An ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  on a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is a nonempty collection of subsets of  $X$  which satisfies (i)  $A \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $B \subset A$  implies  $B \in \mathcal{I}$  and (ii)  $A \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $B \in \mathcal{I}$  implies  $A \cup B \in \mathcal{I}$ . Given a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  with an ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  on  $X$  and if  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  is the set of all subsets of  $X$ , a set operator  $(\cdot)^*: \mathcal{P}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ , called the local function [5] of  $A$  with respect to  $\tau$  and  $\mathcal{I}$ , is defined as follows: for  $A \subset X$ ,  $A^*(\tau, \mathcal{I}) = \{x \in X \mid U \cap A \notin \mathcal{I} \text{ for every } U \in \tau(x)\}$ , where  $\tau(x) = \{U \in \tau \mid x \in U\}$ . A Kuratowski closure operator  $\text{Cl}^*(\cdot)$  for a topology  $\tau^*(\tau, \mathcal{I})$  called the  $*$ -topology, finer than  $\tau$  is defined by  $\text{Cl}^*(A) = A \cup A^*(\tau, \mathcal{I})$  when there is no chance of confusion,  $A^*(\mathcal{I})$  is denoted by  $A^*$  and  $\tau_i\text{-Int}^*(A)$  denotes the interior of  $A$  in  $\tau_i^*(\mathcal{I})$ . If  $\mathcal{I}$  is an ideal on  $X$ , then  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  is called an ideal bitopological space. A subset  $A$  of an ideal bitopological space is said to be  $(i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ -open [2] if  $A \subset \tau_i\text{-Int}(A_j^*)$ , where  $A_j^* = \{x \in X \mid U \cap A \notin \mathcal{I} \text{ for every } U \in \tau_j(x)\}$ . Let  $A$  be a subset of a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ . We denote the closure of  $A$  and the interior of  $A$  with respect to  $\tau_i$  by  $\tau_i\text{-Cl}(A)$  and  $\tau_i\text{-Int}(A)$ , respectively. A subset  $A$  of a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is said to be  $(i, j)$ -preopen [3] if  $A \subset \tau_i\text{-Int}(\tau_j\text{-Cl}(A))$ , where  $i, j = 1, 2$  and  $i \neq j$ . A subset  $S$  of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open [1] if  $S \subset \text{Int}(\text{Cl}^*(S))$ . The family of all pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open sets of  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is denoted by  $P\mathcal{I}O(X, \tau)$ . A function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is said to be  $(i, j)$ -precontinuous [3] if the inverse image of every  $\sigma_j$ -open set in  $(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is  $(i, j)$ -preopen in  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ , where  $i \neq j$ ,  $i, j=1, 2$ .

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## 2. $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open sets

**Definition 2.1** A subset  $A$  of an ideal bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open if and only if  $A \subset \tau_i\text{-Int}(\tau_j\text{-Cl}^*(A))$ , where  $i, j = 1, 2$  and  $i \neq j$ . The family of all  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open sets of  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  is denoted by  $P\mathcal{I}O(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  or  $(i, j)$ - $P\mathcal{I}O(X)$ . Also, The family of all  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open sets of  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  containing  $x$  is denoted by  $(i, j)$ - $P\mathcal{I}O(X, x)$ .

**Remark 2.2** Let  $\mathcal{I}$  and  $\mathcal{J}$  be two ideals on  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ . If  $\mathcal{I} \subset \mathcal{J}$ , then  $P\mathcal{J}O(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \subset P\mathcal{I}O(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ .

**Remark 2.3** It is clear that every  $\tau_i$ -open sets is  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open but the converse is not true in general as it can be seen from the following example.

**Example 2.4** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, X\}$ ,  $\tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, X\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$ . Then  $\{b\}$  is  $(1, 2)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open but not  $\tau_1$ -open and therefore not  $\tau_1$ -preopen.

**Remark 2.5** It is clear that  $P\mathcal{I}O(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \neq P\mathcal{I}O(X, \tau_1) \cup P\mathcal{I}O(X, \tau_2)$ .

**Example 2.6** Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  be as in Example 2.4. Then  $P\mathcal{I}O(X, \tau_1) = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$ ,  $P\mathcal{I}O(X, \tau_2) = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$ . But  $P\mathcal{I}O(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$ .

**Proposition 2.7** Every  $(i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ -open set is  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be an  $(i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ -open set. Then  $A \subset \tau_i\text{-Int}(A_j^*) \subset \tau_i\text{-Int}(A \cup A_j^*) = \tau_i\text{-Int}(\tau_j\text{-Cl}^*(A))$ . Therefore,  $A \in (i, j)$ - $P\mathcal{I}O(X)$ .  $\square$

**Example 2.8** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, X\}$ ,  $\tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, X\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$ . Then  $\{a\}$  is  $(1, 2)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open but not  $(1, 2)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ -open.

**Proposition 2.9** Every  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set is  $(i, j)$ -preopen.

**Proof:** Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal bitopological space and let  $A \in (i, j)$ - $P\mathcal{I}O(X)$ . Then  $A \subset \tau_i\text{-Int}(\tau_j\text{-Cl}^*(A)) = \tau_i\text{-Int}(A \cup A_j^*) \subset \tau_i\text{-Int}(\tau_j\text{-Cl}(A) \cup A) = \tau_i\text{-Int}(\tau_j\text{-Cl}(A))$ . This shows that  $A \in (i, j)$ - $PO(X)$ .  $\square$

The following example shows that the converse of Proposition 2.9 is not true in general.

**Example 2.10** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, X\}$ ,  $\tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$ . Then  $\{a\}$  is  $(1, 2)$ -preopen but not  $(1, 2)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open.

**Proposition 2.11** For an ideal bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  and  $A \subset X$ , we have:

- (i) If  $\mathcal{I} = \emptyset$ , then  $A$  is  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open if and only if  $A$  is  $(i, j)$ -preopen.

(ii) If  $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{P}(X)$ , then  $A$  is  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open if and only if  $A$  is  $\tau_i$ -open.

**Proof:** The proof follows from the fact that

- (i) if  $\mathcal{I} = \emptyset$ , then  $A^* = \text{Cl}(A)$ .
- (ii) if  $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{P}(X)$ , then  $A^* = \emptyset$  for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ .

□

**Proposition 2.12** *Let  $A$  be a subset of an ideal bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  and  $A$  be an  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set. Then we have the following:*

1.  $\tau_j\text{-Cl}(\tau_i\text{-Int}(\tau_j\text{-Cl}^*(A))) = \tau_j\text{-Cl}(A)$ .
2.  $\tau_j\text{-Cl}^*(\tau_i\text{-Int}(\tau_j\text{-Cl}^*(A))) = \tau_j\text{-Cl}^*(A)$ .

**Proof:** The proof is obvious. □

**Remark 2.13** *The intersection of two  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open sets need not be  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open as it can be seen from the following example.*

**Example 2.14** *Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a, c\}, X\}$ ,  $\tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{b, c\}, X\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$ . Then the sets  $\{a, b\}$  and  $\{a, c\}$  are  $(1, 2)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open sets of  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  but their intersection  $\{a\}$  is not an  $(1, 2)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set of  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ .*

**Theorem 2.15** *If  $\{A_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Omega}$  is a family of  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open sets in  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ , then  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Omega} A_\alpha$  is  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open in  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ .*

**Proof:** Since  $\{A_\alpha : \alpha \in \Omega\} \subset (i, j)\text{-PIO}(X)$ , then  $A_\alpha \subset \tau_i\text{-Int}(\tau_j\text{-Cl}^*(A_\alpha))$  for every  $\alpha \in \Omega$ . Thus,  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Omega} A_\alpha \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Omega} \tau_i\text{-Int}(\tau_j\text{-Cl}^*(A_\alpha)) \subset \tau_i\text{-Int}(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Omega} \tau_j\text{-Cl}^*(A_\alpha)) = \tau_i\text{-Int}(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Omega} (A_\alpha)_j^* \cup A_\alpha) = \tau_i\text{-Int}(\tau_j\text{-Cl}^*(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Omega} A_\alpha))$ . Therefore, we obtain  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Omega} A_\alpha \subset \tau_i\text{-Int}(\tau_j\text{-Cl}^*(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Omega} A_\alpha))$ . Hence any union of  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open sets is  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open. □

**Theorem 2.16** *Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal bitopological space. If  $U \in \tau_1 \cap \tau_2$  and  $V \in \text{PIO}(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ , then  $U \cap V \in \text{PO}(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ .*

**Proof:** By definition, we have  $U \cap V \subset U \cap \tau_i\text{-Int}(\tau_j\text{-Cl}^*(V)) \subset U \cap (\tau_i\text{-Int}(V \cup V_j^*)) = \tau_i\text{-Int}((U \cap V) \cup (U \cap V_j^*)) \subset \tau_i\text{-Int}(U \cap V) \cup (U \cap V_j^*) = \tau_i\text{-Int}(\tau_j\text{-Cl}^*(U \cap V))$ . Therefore,  $U \cap V \in (i, j)\text{-PIO}(X)$ . □

**Lemma 2.17** *Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal bitopological space with  $A \subset B \subset X$ , then  $A_i^*(\mathcal{I}|_B, \tau|_B) = A_i^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau_i) \cap B$  for  $i = 1, 2$ .*

**Theorem 2.18** *Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal bitopological space. If  $U \in \tau_1 \cap \tau_2$  and  $W \in (i, j)\text{-}PO(X)$ , then  $U \cap W \in (i, j)\text{-}PO(U, \tau_{1|U}, \tau_{2|U}, \mathcal{I}|U)$ .*

**Proof:** Since  $U \in \tau_1 \cap \tau_2$ , we have  $\tau_i\text{-Int}_U(A) = \tau_i\text{-Int}(A)$  where  $i = 1, 2$  for any subset  $A$  of  $U$ . By using this fact and Lemma 2.17, the result follows immediately.  $\square$

**Definition 2.19** *In an ideal bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ ,  $A \subset X$  is said to be  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}\text{-closed}$  if  $X \setminus A$  is  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}\text{-open}$  in  $X$ ,  $i, j = 1, 2$  and  $i \neq j$ .*

**Theorem 2.20** *If  $A$  is an  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}\text{-closed}$  set in an ideal bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  if and only if  $\tau_i\text{-Cl}(\tau_j\text{-Int}^*(A)) \subset A$ .*

**Proof:** The proof follows from the definitions.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.21** *If a subset  $A$  of an ideal bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  is  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}\text{-closed}$ , then  $\tau_i\text{-Cl}^*(\tau_j\text{-Int}(A)) \subset A$ .*

**Proof:** Since  $A$  is  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}\text{-closed}$ ,  $X \setminus A$  is  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}\text{-open}$  in  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ . Then  $X \setminus A \subset \tau_i\text{-Int}(\tau_j\text{-Cl}^*(X \setminus A)) \subset \tau_i\text{-Int}(\tau_j\text{-Cl}(X \setminus A)) = X \setminus (\tau_i\text{-Cl}(\tau_j\text{-Int}(A))) \subset X \setminus (\tau_i\text{-Cl}^*(\tau_j\text{-Int}(A)))$ . Therefore, we obtain  $\tau_i\text{-Cl}^*(\tau_j\text{-Int}(A)) \subset A$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.22** *Arbitrary intersection of  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}\text{-closed}$  sets is always  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}\text{-closed}$ .*

**Proof:** Follows from Theorems 2.15 and 2.21.  $\square$

**Definition 2.23** *Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal bitopological space,  $S$  a subset of  $X$  and  $x$  be a point of  $X$ . Then*

- (i)  $x$  is called an  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}\text{-interior}$  point of  $S$  if there exists  $V \in (i, j)\text{-PIO}(X)$  such that  $x \in V \subset S$ .
- (ii) the set of all  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}\text{-interior}$  points of  $S$  is called  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}\text{-interior}$  of  $S$  and is denoted by  $(i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(S)$ .

**Theorem 2.24** *Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ . Then the following properties hold:*

- (i)  $(i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A) = \cup\{T : T \subset A \text{ and } T \in (i, j)\text{-PIO}(X)\}$ .
- (ii)  $(i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A)$  is the largest  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}\text{-open}$  subset of  $X$  contained in  $A$ .
- (iii)  $A$  is  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}\text{-open}$  if and only if  $A = (i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A)$ .
- (iv)  $(i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Int}((i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A)) = (i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A)$ .

- (v) If  $A \subset B$ , then  $(i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A) \subset (i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(B)$ .
- (vi)  $(i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A) \cup (i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(B) \subset (i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A \cup B)$ .
- (vii)  $(i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A \cap B) \subset (i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A) \cap (i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(B)$ .

**Proof:** (i). Let  $x \in \cup\{T : T \subset A \text{ and } T \in (i, j)\text{-PIO}(X)\}$ . Then, there exists  $T \in (i, j)\text{-PIO}(X, x)$  such that  $x \in T \subset A$  and hence  $x \in (i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A)$ . This shows that  $\cup\{T : T \subset A \text{ and } T \in (i, j)\text{-PIO}(X)\} \subset (i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A)$ . For the reverse inclusion, let  $x \in (i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A)$ . Then there exists  $T \in (i, j)\text{-PIO}(X, x)$  such that  $x \in T \subset A$ . we obtain  $x \in \cup\{T : T \subset A \text{ and } T \in (i, j)\text{-PIO}(X)\}$ . This shows that  $(i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A) \subset \cup\{T : T \subset A \text{ and } T \in (i, j)\text{-PIO}(X)\}$ . Therefore, we obtain  $(i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A) = \cup\{T : T \subset A \text{ and } T \in (i, j)\text{-PIO}(X)\}$ . The proof of (ii)-(v) are obvious and the proofs of (vi) and (vii) are obvious from (v).  $\square$

**Definition 2.25** Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal bitopological space,  $S$  a subset of  $X$  and  $x$  be a point of  $X$ . Then

- (i)  $x$  is called an  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}\text{-cluster point}$  of  $S$  if  $V \cap S \neq \emptyset$  for every  $V \in (i, j)\text{-PIO}(X, x)$ .
- (ii) the set of all  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}\text{-cluster points}$  of  $S$  is called  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}\text{-closure}$  of  $S$  and is denoted by  $(i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}(S)$ .

**Theorem 2.26** Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal bitopological space and  $A \subset X$ . A point  $x \in (i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}(A)$  if and only if  $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$  for every  $U \in (i, j)\text{-PIO}(X, x)$ .

**Proof:** The proof follows from Definition 2.25.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.27** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ . Then the following properties hold:

- (i)  $(i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}(A) = \cap\{F : A \subset F \text{ and } F \in (i, j)\text{-PIC}(X)\}$ .
- (ii)  $(i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}(A)$  is the smallest  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}\text{-closed}$  subset of  $X$  containing  $A$ .
- (iii)  $A$  is  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}\text{-closed}$  if and only if  $A = (i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}(A)$ .
- (iv)  $(i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}((i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}(A)) = (i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}(A)$ .
- (v) If  $A \subset B$ , then  $(i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}(A) \subset (i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}(B)$ .
- (vi)  $(i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}(A) \cup (i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}(B) \subset (i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}(A \cup B)$ .
- (vii)  $(i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}(A \cap B) \subset (i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}(A) \cap (i, j)\text{-p}\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}(B)$ .

**Proof:** (i). Suppose that  $x \notin (i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}Cl(A)$ . Then there exists  $V \in (i, j)\text{-}P\mathcal{I}O(X, x)$  such that  $V \cap A = \emptyset$ . Since  $X \setminus V$  is  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}$ -closed set containing  $A$  and  $x \notin X \setminus V$ , we obtain  $x \notin \cap\{F : A \subset F \text{ and } F \in (i, j)\text{-}P\mathcal{I}C(X)\}$ . Conversely, suppose there exists  $F \in (i, j)\text{-}P\mathcal{I}C(X)$  such that  $A \subset F$  and  $x \notin F$ . Since  $X \setminus F$  is  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}$ -open set containing  $x$ , we obtain  $(X \setminus F) \cap A = \emptyset$ . This shows that  $x \notin (i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}Cl(A)$ . Therefore, we obtain  $(i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}Cl(A) = \cap\{F : A \subset F \text{ and } F \in (i, j)\text{-}P\mathcal{I}C(X)\}$ .

The other proofs are obvious.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.28** *Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal bitopological space and  $A \subset X$ . Then the following properties hold:*

$$(i) \quad (i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}Int(X \setminus A) = X \setminus (i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}Cl(A);$$

$$(i) \quad (i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}Cl(X \setminus A) = X \setminus (i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}Int(A).$$

**Proof:** (i). Let  $x \notin (i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}Cl(A)$ . There exists  $V \in (i, j)\text{-}P\mathcal{I}O(X, x)$  such that  $V \cap A = \emptyset$ ; hence we obtain  $x \in (i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}Int(X \setminus A)$ . This shows that  $X \setminus (i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}Cl(A) \subset (i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}Int(X \setminus A)$ . Let  $x \in (i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}Int(X \setminus A)$ . Since  $(i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}Int(X \setminus A) \cap A = \emptyset$ , we obtain  $x \notin (i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}Cl(A)$ ; hence  $x \in X \setminus (i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}Cl(A)$ . Therefore, we obtain  $(i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}Int(X \setminus A) = X \setminus (i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}Cl(A)$ .

(ii). Follows from (i).  $\square$

**Definition 2.29** *A subset  $B_x$  of an ideal bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be an  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}$ -neighbourhood of a point  $x \in X$  if there exists an  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}$ -open set  $U$  such that  $x \in U \subset B_x$ .*

**Theorem 2.30** *A subset of an ideal bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  is  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}$ -open if and only if it is an  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}$ -neighbourhood of each of its points.*

**Proof:** Let  $G$  be an  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}$ -open set of  $X$ . Then by definition, it is clear that  $G$  is an  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}$ -neighbourhood of each of its points, since for every  $x \in G$ ,  $x \in G \subset G$  and  $G$  is  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}$ -open. Conversely, suppose  $G$  is an  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}$ -neighbourhood of each of its points. Then for each  $x \in G$ , there exists  $S_x \in (i, j)\text{-}P\mathcal{I}O(X)$  such that  $S_x \subset G$ . Then  $G = \bigcup\{S_x : x \in G\}$ . Since each  $S_x$  is  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}$ -open and an arbitrary union of  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}$ -open sets is  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}$ -open,  $G$  is  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}$ -open in  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ .  $\square$

### 3. pairwise pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous functions

**Definition 3.1** *A function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is said to be  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}$ -continuous (resp.  $(i, j)\text{-}\mathcal{I}$ -continuous [2]) if the inverse image of every  $\sigma_i$ -open set in  $(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}$ -open (resp.  $(i, j)\text{-}\mathcal{I}$ -open) in  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ , where  $i \neq j$ ,  $i, j = 1, 2$ .*

**Proposition 3.2** *(i) Every  $(i, j)\text{-}\mathcal{I}$ -continuous function is  $(i, j)\text{-pre-}\mathcal{I}$ -continuous.*

(ii) Every  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous function is  $(i, j)$ -precontinuous

**Proof:** The proof follows from Propositions 2.7 and 2.9.  $\square$

However, the converse may be false.

**Example 3.3** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, X\}$ ,  $\tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, X\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$ . Then the identity function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is  $(1, 2)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous. but not  $(1, 2)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous.

**Example 3.4** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, X\}$ ,  $\tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$ . Then the identity function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is  $(1, 2)$ -precontinuous but not  $(1, 2)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous.

**Theorem 3.5** For a function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ , the following statements are equivalent:

- (i)  $f$  is pairwise pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous;
- (ii) For each point  $x$  in  $X$  and each  $\sigma_i$ -open set  $F$  in  $Y$  such that  $f(x) \in F$ , there is a  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set  $A$  in  $X$  such that  $x \in A$ ,  $f(A) \subset F$ ;
- (iii) The inverse image of each  $\sigma_i$ -closed set in  $Y$  is  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed in  $X$ ;
- (iv) For each subset  $A$  of  $X$ ,  $f((i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}(A)) \subset \sigma_i\text{-Cl}(f(A))$ ;
- (v) For each subset  $B$  of  $Y$ ,  $(i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \subset f^{-1}(\sigma_i\text{-Cl}(B))$ ;
- (vi) For each subset  $C$  of  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(\sigma_i\text{-Int}(C)) \subset (i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(f^{-1}(C))$ .

**Proof:** (i) $\Rightarrow$ (ii): Let  $x \in X$  and  $F$  be a  $\sigma_i$ -open set of  $Y$  containing  $f(x)$ . By (i),  $f^{-1}(F)$  is  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open in  $X$ . Let  $A = f^{-1}(F)$ . Then  $x \in A$  and  $f(A) \subset F$ .

(ii) $\Rightarrow$ (i): Let  $F$  be  $\sigma_i$ -open in  $Y$  and let  $x \in f^{-1}(F)$ . Then  $f(x) \in F$ . By (ii), there is an  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set  $U_x$  in  $X$  such that  $x \in U_x$  and  $f(U_x) \subset F$ . Then  $x \in U_x \subset f^{-1}(F)$ . Hence  $f^{-1}(F)$  is  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open in  $X$ .

(i) $\Leftrightarrow$ (iii): This follows due to the fact that for any subset  $B$  of  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(Y \setminus B) = X \setminus f^{-1}(B)$ .

(iii) $\Rightarrow$ (iv): Let  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ . Since  $A \subset f^{-1}(f(A))$  we have  $A \subset f^{-1}(\sigma_i\text{-Cl}(f(A)))$ . Now,  $\sigma_i\text{-Cl}(f(A))$  is  $\sigma_i$ -closed in  $Y$  and hence  $(i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}(A) \subset f^{-1}(\sigma_i\text{-Cl}(f(A)))$ , for  $(i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}(A)$  is the smallest  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed set containing  $A$ . Then  $f((i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}(A)) \subset \sigma_i\text{-Cl}(f(A))$ .

(iv) $\Rightarrow$ (v): Let  $B$  be any subset of  $Y$ . Now,  $f((i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}(f^{-1}(B))) \subset \sigma_i\text{-Cl}(f(f^{-1}(B))) \subset \sigma_i\text{-Cl}(B)$ . Consequently,  $(i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \subset f^{-1}(\sigma_i\text{-Cl}(B))$ .

(v) $\Rightarrow$ (iii): Let  $B$  be any  $\sigma_i$ -closed subset of  $Y$ . Then  $(i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}\text{Cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \subset f^{-1}(\sigma_i\text{-Cl}(B)) = f^{-1}(B)$ ; hence  $f^{-1}(B)$  is  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed in  $X$ .

(i) $\Rightarrow$ (vi): Let  $B$  be a  $\sigma_i$ -open set in  $Y$ . Clearly,  $f^{-1}(\sigma_i\text{-Int}(B))$  is  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open and we have  $f^{-1}(\sigma_i\text{-Int}(B)) \subset (i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(f^{-1}(\sigma_i\text{-Int}(B))) \subset (i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(f^{-1}(B))$ .

(vi) $\Rightarrow$ (i): Let  $B$  be a  $\sigma_i$ -open set in  $Y$ . Then  $\sigma_i\text{-Int}(B) = B$  and  $f^{-1}(B) \subset f^{-1}(\sigma_i\text{-Int}(B)) \subset (i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(f^{-1}(B))$ . Hence we have  $f^{-1}(B) = (i, j)\text{-}p\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(f^{-1}(B))$ . This shows that  $f^{-1}(B)$  is  $(i, j)$ -pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open in  $X$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.6** *If  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is pairwise pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous and  $A \in \tau_1 \cap \tau_2$ , then  $f|_A : (A, \tau_{1|A}, \tau_{2|A}, \mathcal{I}|_A) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is pairwise pre- $\mathcal{I}|_A$ -continuous.*

**Proof:** The proof follows from Theorem 2.18.  $\square$

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