



## On $\delta\alpha$ , $\delta p$ and $\delta s$ -Irresolute Functions

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**Abstract.** In this paper is to introduce and investigate new classes of various irresolute functions and obtain some of their properties in topological spaces.

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### 1. Introduction

Recall the concepts of  $\alpha$ -open [26] (resp. semi-open [15], preopen [18],  $\beta$ -open [11]) sets and semi  $\alpha$ -irresolute [2] (resp. semi  $\alpha$ -preirresolute [3]) functions in topological spaces.

The main purpose of this paper is to define and study the notions of new classes of functions, namely  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute,  $\delta p$ -irresolute and  $\delta s$ -irresolute functions, and to give some properties of these functions in topological spaces.

### 2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, spaces always mean topological spaces and  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  denotes a single valued function of a space  $(X, \tau)$  into a space  $(Y, \sigma)$ . Let  $S$  be a subset of a space  $(X, \tau)$ . The closure and the interior of  $S$  are denoted by  $Cl(S)$  and  $Int(S)$ , respectively.

Here we recall the following known definitions and properties.

**Definition 1.** A subset  $S$  of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be  $\alpha$ -open [26] (resp. semi-open [15], preopen [18],  $\beta$ -open [11]) if  $S \subset Int(Cl(Int(S)))$  (resp.  $S \subset Cl(Int(S))$ ,  $S \subset Int(Cl(S))$ ,  $S \subset Cl(Int(Cl(S)))$ ).

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A point  $x \in X$  is called the  $\delta$ -cluster point of  $A$  if  $A \cap \text{Int}(Cl(U)) \neq \emptyset$  for every open set  $U$  of  $X$  containing  $x$ . The set of all  $\delta$ -cluster points of  $A$  is called the  $\delta$ -cluster of  $A$ , denoted by  $Cl_\delta(A)$ . A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is called  $\delta$ -closed [27] if  $A = Cl_\delta(A)$ . The complement of a  $\delta$ -closed set is called  $\delta$ -open [27]. A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is said to be a  $\delta$ -semiopen [23] if there exists a  $\delta$ -open set  $U$  of  $X$  such that  $U \subset A \subset Cl(U)$ . The complement of a  $\delta$ -semiopen set is called  $\delta$ -semiclosed set. A point  $x \in X$  is called the  $\delta$ -semicluster point of  $A$  if  $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$  for every  $\delta$ -semiopen set  $U$  of  $X$  containing  $x$ . The set of all  $\delta$ -semicluster points of  $A$  is called the  $\delta$ -semiclosure [23] of  $A$ , denoted by  $\delta Cl_s(A)$ . The family of all  $\alpha$ -open (resp. semi-open, preopen,  $\beta$ -open,  $\delta$ -open,  $\delta$ -semiopen) sets in a space  $(X, \tau)$  is denoted by  $\tau^\alpha = \alpha(X)$  (resp.  $SO(X)$ ,  $PO(X)$ ,  $\beta O(X)$ ,  $\delta O(X)$ ,  $\delta SO(X)$ ). It is shown in [26] that  $\tau^\alpha$  is a topology for  $X$ . Moreover,  $\tau \subset \tau^\alpha = PO(X) \cap SO(X) \subset \beta O(X)$ .

The complement of an  $\alpha$ -open (resp. preopen, semi-open) set is said to be  $\alpha$ -closed [17] (resp. preclosed [18], semi-closed [8]). The intersection of all  $\alpha$ -closed (resp. preclosed, semi-closed) sets in  $(X, \tau)$  containing a subset  $A$  is called the  $\alpha$ -closure [17] (resp. preclosure [10], semi-closure [8]) of  $A$ , denoted by  $\alpha Cl(A)$  (resp.  $pCl(A)$ ,  $sCl(A)$ ).

The union of all  $\alpha$ -open (resp. preopen, semi-open,  $\delta$ -open) sets of  $X$  contained in  $A$  is called the  $\alpha$ -interior [1] (resp. preinterior [19], semi-interior [8],  $\delta$ -interior [27]) of  $A$  and is denoted by  $\alpha Int(A)$  (resp.  $pInt(A)$ ,  $sInt(A)$ ,  $Int_\delta(A)$ ).

A subset  $S$  of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\delta$ -semiopen [23] (resp.  $\delta$ -semiclosed) if  $S \subset Cl(Int_\delta(S))$  (resp.  $Int(Cl_\delta(S)) \subset S$ ).

**Lemma 1** (Park et al. [23]). *The intersection (resp. union) of arbitrary collection of  $\delta$ -semiclosed (resp.  $\delta$ -semiopen) sets in  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\delta$ -semiclosed (resp.  $\delta$ -semiopen). And  $A \subset X$  is  $\delta$ -semiclosed if and only if  $A = \delta Cl_s(A)$ .*

**Lemma 2** ([7, 10, 22, 14]). *Let  $\{X_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  be any family of topological spaces and  $U_{\lambda_i}$  be a nonempty subset of  $X_{\lambda_i}$  for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Then  $U = \prod_{\lambda \neq \lambda_i} X_\lambda \times \prod_{i=1}^n U_{\lambda_i}$  is a nonempty  $\alpha$ -open [7] (resp. preopen [10], semi-open [22],  $\delta$ -semiopen [14]) subset of  $\prod X_\lambda$  if and only if  $U_{\lambda_i}$  is  $\alpha$ -open (resp. preopen, semi-open,  $\delta$ -semiopen) in  $X_{\lambda_i}$  for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .*

**Lemma 3.** *Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of a space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then we have*

- (1) *If  $A \in \delta SO(X)$  and  $B \in \delta O(X)$ , then  $A \cap B \in \delta SO(B)$  [14].*
- (2) *If  $A \in \delta SO(B)$  and  $B \in \delta O(X)$ , then  $A \in \delta SO(X)$  [6].*

**Definition 2.** *A function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is said to be:*

- *semi  $\alpha$ -irresolute [2] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semi-open set in  $X$  for every  $\alpha$ -open subset  $V$  of  $Y$ .*
- *semi  $\alpha$ -preirresolute [3] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semi-open set in  $X$  for every preopen subset  $V$  of  $Y$ .*
- *$(\delta, \beta)$ -irresolute [6] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\delta$ -semiopen set in  $X$  for every  $\beta$ -open subset  $V$  of  $Y$ .*
- *$\delta$ -semi-continuous [25] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\delta$ -semiopen set in  $X$  for every open subset  $V$  of  $Y$ .*
- *$\alpha$ -irresolute [17] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\alpha$ -open set in  $X$  for every  $\alpha$ -open subset  $V$  of  $Y$ .*

- preirresolute [24] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is preopen set in  $X$  for every preopen subset  $V$  of  $Y$ .
- irresolute [9] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semi-open set in  $X$  for every semi-open subset  $V$  of  $Y$ .

### 3. $\delta\alpha$ , $\delta p$ and $\delta s$ -Irresolute Functions

**Definition 3.** A function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is said to be  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute,  $\delta p$ -irresolute and  $\delta s$ -irresolute if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\delta$ -semiopen set in  $X$  for every  $\alpha$ -open (resp. preopen, semi-open) subset  $V$  of  $Y$ .

From the definitions, we have the following relationships:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 (\delta, \beta) - \text{irresoluteness} & \rightarrow & \delta p - \text{irresoluteness} & \rightarrow & \text{semi} - \alpha - \text{preirresoluteness} \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \delta s - \text{irresoluteness} & \rightarrow & \delta\alpha - \text{irresoluteness} & \rightarrow & \text{semi} - \alpha - \text{irresoluteness}
 \end{array}$$

However the converses of the above implications are not true in general by the following examples.

**Example 1.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with topologies  $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a, b\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Let a function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$  be defined by  $f(a) = f(b) = a$  and  $f(c) = c$ . Then  $f$  is semi  $\alpha$ -preirresolute and hence semi  $\alpha$ -irresolute but it is neither  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute nor  $\delta p$ -irresolute.

**Example 2.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with topologies  $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a, b, c\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$ . Let a function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$  be defined by  $f(a) = f(b) = f(c) = b$  and  $f(d) = c$ . Then  $f$  is  $\delta s$ -irresolute and hence  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute but it is not semi  $\alpha$ -preirresolute.

**Theorem 1.** For a function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ , the following are equivalent:

- (a)  $f$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute;
- (b)  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma^\alpha)$  is  $\delta$ -semi-continuous;
- (c) For each  $x \in X$  and each  $\alpha$ -open set  $V$  of  $Y$  containing  $f(x)$ , there exists a  $\delta$ -semiopen set  $U$  of  $X$  containing  $x$  such that  $f(U) \subset V$ ;
- (d)  $f^{-1}(V) \subset Cl(Int_\delta(f^{-1}(V)))$  for every  $\alpha$ -open set  $V$  of  $Y$ ;
- (e)  $f^{-1}(F)$  is  $\delta$ -semiclosed in  $X$  for every  $\alpha$ -closed set  $F$  of  $Y$ ;
- (f)  $Int(Cl_\delta(f^{-1}(B))) \subset f^{-1}(\alpha Cl(B))$  for every subset  $B$  of  $Y$ ;
- (g)  $f(Int(Cl_\delta(A))) \subset \alpha Cl(f(A))$  for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ .

*Proof.* **(a) ⇒ (b).** Let  $x \in X$  and  $V$  be any  $\alpha$ -open set of  $Y$  containing  $f(x)$ . By Definition 3,  $f^{-1}(V) \in \delta SO(X)$  containing  $x$  and hence  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma^\alpha)$  is  $\delta$ -semi-continuous.

**(b) ⇒ (c).** Let  $x \in X$  and  $V$  be any  $\alpha$ -open set of  $Y$  containing  $f(x)$ . Set  $U = f^{-1}(V)$ , then by (b),  $U$  is a  $\delta$ -semiopen set of  $X$  containing  $x$  and  $f(U) \subset V$ .

**(c) ⇒ (d).** Let  $V$  be any  $\alpha$ -open subset of  $Y$  and  $x \in f^{-1}(V)$ . By (c), there exists a  $\delta$ -semiopen set  $U$  of  $X$  containing  $x$  such that  $f(U) \subset V$ . Therefore, we obtain  $x \in U \subset Cl(Int_\delta(U)) \subset Cl(Int_\delta(f^{-1}(V)))$  and hence  $f^{-1}(V) \subset Cl(Int_\delta(f^{-1}(V)))$ .

**(d) ⇒ (e).** Let  $F$  be any  $\alpha$ -closed subset of  $Y$ . Set  $V = Y - F$ , then  $V$  is  $\alpha$ -open in  $Y$ . By (d), we have  $f^{-1}(V) \subset Cl(Int_\delta(f^{-1}(V)))$  and hence  $f^{-1}(F) = X - (f^{-1}(Y - F)) = X - f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\delta$ -semiclosed in  $X$ .

**(e) ⇒ (f).** Let  $B$  be any subset of  $Y$ . Since  $\alpha Cl(B)$  is  $\alpha$ -closed in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(\alpha Cl(B))$  is  $\delta$ -semiclosed in  $X$  and hence  $Int(Cl_\delta(f^{-1}(\alpha Cl(B)))) \subset f^{-1}(\alpha Cl(B))$ . Thus we have  $Int(Cl_\delta(f^{-1}(B))) \subset f^{-1}(\alpha Cl(B))$ .

**(f) ⇒ (g).** Let  $A$  be any subset of  $X$ . By (f), we obtain  $Int(Cl_\delta(A)) \subset Int(Cl_\delta(f^{-1}(f(A)))) \subset f^{-1}(\alpha Cl(f(A)))$  and hence  $f(Int(Cl_\delta(A))) \subset \alpha Cl(f(A))$ .

**(g) ⇒ (a).** Let  $V$  be any  $\alpha$ -open subset of  $Y$ . Since  $f^{-1}(Y - V) = X - f^{-1}(V)$  is a subset of  $X$  and by (g), we obtain

$$f(Int(Cl_\delta(f^{-1}(Y - V)))) \subset \alpha Cl(f(f^{-1}(Y - V))) \subset \alpha Cl(Y - V) = Y - \alpha Int(V) = Y - V$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} X - Cl(Int_\delta(f^{-1}(V))) &= Int(Cl_\delta(X - f^{-1}(V))) \\ &= Int(Cl_\delta(f^{-1}(Y - V))) \subset f^{-1}(f(Int(Cl_\delta(f^{-1}(Y - V)))) \subset f^{-1}(Y - V) \\ &= X - f^{-1}(V). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we have  $f^{-1}(V) \subset Cl(Int_\delta(f^{-1}(V)))$  and hence  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\delta$ -semiopen in  $X$ . Thus the function  $f$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute.

Now, the proofs of the following two theorems are similar to Theorem 1 and are thus omitted.

**Theorem 2.** *The following are equivalent for a function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ :*

- (a)  $f$  is  $\delta p$ -irresolute;
- (b) For each  $x \in X$  and each preopen set  $V$  of  $Y$  containing  $f(x)$ , there exists a  $\delta$ -semiopen set  $U$  of  $X$  containing  $x$  such that  $f(U) \subset V$ ;
- (c)  $f^{-1}(V) \subset Cl(Int_\delta(f^{-1}(V)))$  for every preopen set  $V$  of  $Y$ ;
- (d)  $f^{-1}(F)$  is  $\delta$ -semiclosed in  $X$  for every preclosed set  $F$  of  $Y$ ;
- (e)  $Int(Cl_\delta(f^{-1}(B))) \subset f^{-1}(pCl(B))$  for every subset  $B$  of  $Y$ ;
- (f)  $f(Int(Cl_\delta(A))) \subset pCl(f(A))$  for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ .

**Theorem 3.** For a function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ , the following are equivalent:

- (a)  $f$  is  $\delta s$ -irresolute;
- (b) For each  $x \in X$  and each semi-open set  $V$  of  $Y$  containing  $f(x)$ , there exists a  $\delta$ -semiopen set  $U$  of  $X$  containing  $x$  such that  $f(U) \subset V$ ;
- (c)  $f^{-1}(V) \subset Cl(Int_{\delta}(f^{-1}(V)))$  for every semi-open set  $V$  of  $Y$ ;
- (d)  $f^{-1}(F)$  is  $\delta$ -semiclosed in  $X$  for every semi-closed set  $F$  of  $Y$ ;
- (e)  $Int(Cl_{\delta}(f^{-1}(B))) \subset f^{-1}(sCl(B))$  for every subset  $B$  of  $Y$ ;
- (f)  $f(Int(Cl_{\delta}(A))) \subset sCl(f(A))$  for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ .

The proofs of the other parts of the following theorems follow by a similar way and are thus omitted.

**Theorem 4.** Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a function and  $g : X \rightarrow X \times Y$  the graph function, given by  $g(x) = (x, f(x))$  for every  $x \in X$ . Then  $f$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute) if  $g$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute).

*Proof.* Let  $x \in X$  and  $V$  be any  $\alpha$ -open (resp. preopen, semi-open) set of  $Y$  containing  $f(x)$ . Then, by Lemma 2, The set  $X \times V$  is  $\alpha$ -open (resp. preopen, semi-open) in  $X \times Y$  containing  $g(x)$ . Since  $g$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute), there exists a  $\delta$ -semiopen set  $U$  of  $X$  containing  $x$  such that  $g(U) \subset X \times V$  and hence  $f(U) \subset V$ . Thus  $f$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute).

**Theorem 5.** If a function  $f : X \rightarrow \Pi Y_{\lambda}$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute), then  $P_{\lambda}of : X \rightarrow Y_{\lambda}$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute) for each  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ , where  $P_{\lambda}$  is the projection of  $\Pi Y_{\lambda}$  onto  $Y_{\lambda}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $V_{\lambda}$  be any  $\alpha$ -open (resp. preopen, semi-open) set of  $Y_{\lambda}$ . Since  $P_{\lambda}$  is continuous and open, it is  $\alpha$ -irresolute [20, Theorem 3.2] (resp. preirresolute [20, Theorem 3.4], irresolute [9, Theorem 1.2]) and hence  $P_{\lambda}^{-1}(V_{\lambda})$  is  $\alpha$ -open (resp. preopen, semi-open) in  $\Pi Y_{\lambda}$ . Since  $f$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute), then  $f^{-1}(P_{\lambda}^{-1}(V_{\lambda})) = (P_{\lambda}of)^{-1}(V_{\lambda})$  is  $\delta$ -semiopen in  $X$ . Hence  $P_{\lambda}of$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute) for each  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ .

**Theorem 6.** If the product function  $f : \Pi X_{\lambda} \rightarrow \Pi Y_{\lambda}$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute), then  $f_{\lambda} : X_{\lambda} \rightarrow Y_{\lambda}$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute) for each  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\lambda_0 \in \Lambda$  be an arbitrary fixed index and  $V_{\lambda_0}$  be any  $\alpha$ -open (resp. preopen, semi-open) set of  $Y_{\lambda_0}$ . Then  $\Pi Y_{\lambda} \times V_{\lambda_0}$  is  $\alpha$ -open (resp. preopen, semi-open) in  $\Pi Y_{\lambda}$  by Lemma 2, where  $\lambda_0 \neq \lambda \in \Lambda$ . Since  $f$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute), then  $f^{-1}(\Pi Y_{\lambda} \times V_{\lambda_0}) = \Pi X_{\lambda} \times f_{\lambda_0}^{-1}(V_{\lambda_0})$  is  $\delta$ -semiopen in  $\Pi X_{\lambda}$  and hence, by Lemma 2,  $f_{\lambda_0}^{-1}(V_{\lambda_0})$  is  $\delta$ -semiopen in  $X_{\lambda_0}$ . This implies that  $f_{\lambda_0}$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute).

**Theorem 7.** *If  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute) and  $A$  is a  $\delta$ -open subset of  $X$ , then the restriction  $f|_A : A \rightarrow Y$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute).*

*Proof.* Let  $V$  be any  $\alpha$ -open (resp. preopen, semi-open) set of  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute), then  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\delta$ -semiopen in  $X$ . Since  $A$  is  $\delta$ -open in  $X$ ,  $(f|_A)^{-1}(V) = A \cap f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\delta$ -semiopen in  $A$  by the condition (1) of Lemma 3. Hence  $f|_A$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute).

**Theorem 8.** *Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be a function and  $\{A_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  be a cover of  $X$  by  $\delta$ -open sets of  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $f$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute) if  $f|_{A_\lambda} : A_\lambda \rightarrow Y$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute) for each  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $V$  be any  $\alpha$ -open (resp. preopen, semi-open) set of  $Y$ . Since  $f|_{A_\lambda}$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute), then  $(f|_{A_\lambda})^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(V) \cap A_\lambda$  is  $\delta$ -semiopen in  $A_\lambda$ . Since  $A_\lambda$  is  $\delta$ -open in  $X$ , by the condition (2) of Lemma 3,  $(f|_{A_\lambda})^{-1}(V)$  is  $\delta$ -semiopen in  $X$  for  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . Therefore  $f^{-1}(V) = X \cap f^{-1}(V) = \cup\{A_\lambda \cap f^{-1}(V) : \lambda \in \Lambda\} = \cup\{(f|_{A_\lambda})^{-1}(V) : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is  $\delta$ -semiopen in  $X$  because the union of  $\delta$ -semiopen sets is a  $\delta$ -semiopen set by Lemma 1. Hence  $f$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute).

**Theorem 9.** *Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  and  $g : Y \rightarrow Z$  be functions. Then the composition  $g \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute) if  $f$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute) and  $g$  is  $\alpha$ -irresolute (resp. preirresolute, irresolute).*

*Proof.* Let  $W$  be any  $\alpha$ -open (resp. preopen, semi-open) subset of  $Z$ . Since  $g$  is  $\alpha$ -irresolute (resp. preirresolute, irresolute),  $g^{-1}(W)$  is  $\alpha$ -open (resp. preopen, semi-open) in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute), then  $(g \circ f)^{-1}(W) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(W))$  is  $\delta$ -semiopen in  $X$  and hence  $g \circ f$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute).

We recall that a space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be submaximal [4] if every dense subset of  $X$  is open in  $X$  and extremally disconnected [26] if the closure of each open subset of  $X$  is open in  $X$ . The following theorem follows from the fact that if  $(X, \tau)$  is a submaximal and extremally disconnected space, then  $\tau = \tau^\alpha = SO(X) = PO(X) = \beta O(X)$  [12, 21].

**Theorem 10.** *Let  $(Y, \sigma)$  be a submaximal and extremally disconnected space and let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be a function. Then we have*

$$\delta\alpha\text{-irresoluteness} \iff \delta p\text{-irresoluteness} \iff \delta s\text{-irresoluteness} \iff (\delta, \beta)\text{-irresoluteness.}$$

Recall that a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $\alpha - T_2$  [17] (resp. pre- $T_2$  [13], semi- $T_2$  [16],  $\delta$ -semi- $T_2$  [5] if for any distinct pair of points  $x$  and  $y$  in  $X$ , there exist  $U \in \alpha(X, x)$  and  $V \in \alpha(X, y)$  (resp.  $U \in PO(X, x)$  and  $V \in PO(X, y)$ ,  $U \in SO(X, x)$  and  $V \in SO(X, y)$ ,  $U \in \delta SO(X, x)$  and  $V \in \delta SO(X, y)$ ) such that  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ .

**Theorem 11.** *If  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute) injection and  $Y$  is  $\alpha - T_2$  (resp. pre- $T_2$ , semi- $T_2$ ), then  $X$  is  $\delta$ -semi- $T_2$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $x$  and  $y$  be distinct points of  $X$ . Then  $f(x) \neq f(y)$ . Since  $Y$  is  $\alpha - T_2$  (resp. pre- $T_2$ , semi- $T_2$ ), there exist disjoint  $\alpha$ -open (resp. preopen, semi-open) sets  $V$  and  $W$  containing  $f(x)$  and  $f(y)$ , respectively. Since  $f$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute), there exist  $\delta$ -semiopen sets  $U$  and  $H$  containing  $x$  and  $y$ , respectively, such that  $f(U) \subset V$  and  $f(H) \subset W$ . It follows that  $U \cap H = \emptyset$ . This shows that  $X$  is  $\delta$ -semi- $T_2$ .

**Lemma 4** (Lee et. al. [14]). *If  $A_i$  is a  $\delta$ -semiopen set of  $X_i (i = 1, 2)$ , then  $A_1 \times A_2$  is  $\delta$ -semiopen in  $X_1 \times X_2$ .*

**Theorem 12.** *If  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute) and  $Y$  is  $\alpha - T_2$  (resp. pre- $T_2$ , semi- $T_2$ ), then the set  $E = \{(x, y) : f(x) = f(y)\}$  is  $\delta$ -semiclosed in  $X \times X$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $(x, y) \notin E$ . Then  $f(x) \neq f(y)$ . Since  $Y$  is  $\alpha - T_2$  (resp. pre- $T_2$ , semi- $T_2$ ), there exist  $V \in \alpha(Y, f(x))$  and  $W \in \alpha(Y, f(y))$  (resp.  $V \in PO(Y, f(x))$  and  $W \in PO(Y, f(y))$ ,  $V \in SO(Y, f(x))$  and  $W \in SO(Y, f(y))$ ) such that  $V \cap W = \emptyset$ . Since  $f$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute), there exist  $\delta$ -semiopen sets  $U$  and  $H$  containing  $x$  and  $y$ , respectively, such that  $f(U) \subset V$  and  $f(H) \subset W$ . Set  $G = U \times H$ . By Lemma 4,  $(x, y) \in G \in \delta SO(X \times X)$  and  $G \cap E = \emptyset$ . This means that  $\delta Cl_s(E) \subset E$  and hence the set  $E$  is  $\delta$ -semiclosed in  $X \times X$ .

**Definition 4.** *For a function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ , the graph  $G(f) = \{(x, f(x)) : x \in X\}$  is called  $\delta\alpha$ -closed (resp.  $\delta p$ -closed,  $\delta s$ -closed) if for each  $(x, y) \in (X \times Y) - G(f)$ , there exist  $U \in \delta SO(X, x)$  and  $V \in \alpha(Y, y)$  (resp.  $V \in PO(Y, y)$ ,  $V \in SO(Y, y)$ ) such that  $(U \times V) \cap G(f) = \emptyset$ .*

**Theorem 13.** *If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute) and  $Y$  is  $\alpha - T_2$  (resp. pre- $T_2$ , semi- $T_2$ ), then  $G(f)$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -closed (resp.  $\delta p$ -closed,  $\delta s$ -closed) in  $X \times Y$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $(x, y) \in (X \times Y) - G(f)$ . This implies that  $f(x) \neq y$ . Since  $Y$  is  $\alpha - T_2$  (resp. pre- $T_2$ , semi- $T_2$ ), there exist disjoint  $\alpha$ -open (resp. preopen, semi-open) sets  $V$  and  $W$  in  $Y$  containing  $f(x)$  and  $y$ , respectively. Since  $f$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute), there exists a  $\delta$ -semiopen set  $U$  of  $X$  containing  $x$  such that  $f(U) \subset V$ . Therefore  $f(U) \cap W = \emptyset$  and hence  $(U \times W) \cap G(f) = \emptyset$ . Thus  $G(f)$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -closed (resp.  $\delta p$ -closed,  $\delta s$ -closed) in  $X \times Y$ .

**Theorem 14.** *If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute) injection with a  $\delta\alpha$ -closed (resp.  $\delta p$ -closed,  $\delta s$ -closed) graph, then  $X$  is  $\delta$ -semi- $T_2$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $x$  and  $y$  be any distinct points of  $X$ . Then  $f(x) \neq f(y)$  and hence  $(x, f(y)) \in (X \times Y) - G(f)$ . Since  $G(f)$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -closed (resp.  $\delta p$ -closed,  $\delta s$ -closed), there exist  $U \in \delta SO(X, x)$  and  $V \in \alpha(Y, f(y))$  (resp.  $V \in PO(Y, f(y))$ ,  $V \in SO(Y, f(y))$ ) such that  $(U \times V) \cap G(f) = \emptyset$  and hence  $f(U) \cap V = \emptyset$ . Since  $f$  is  $\delta\alpha$ -irresolute (resp.  $\delta p$ -irresolute,  $\delta s$ -irresolute), there exists  $G \in \delta SO(X, y)$  such that  $f(G) \subset V$ . Thus we have  $f(U) \cap f(G) = \emptyset$  and hence  $U \cap G = \emptyset$ . This shows that  $X$  is  $\delta$ -semi- $T_2$ .

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