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# Minimal rg-open sets and Maximal rg-closed sets

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#### **ABSTRACT**

The object of the present paper is to study the notions of minimal rg-closed set, maximal rg-open set, minimal rg-open set and maximal rg-closed set and their basic properties are studied.

Keywords: rg-closed set and minimal rg-closed set, maximal rg-open set, minimal rg-open set and maximal rg-closed set.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Norman Levine introduced the concept of generalized closed sets in topological spaces. After him many authors concentrated in this direction and defined more than 25 types of generalized closed sets. Nakaoka and Oda have introduced minimal open sets and maximal open sets, which are subclasses of open sets. A. Vadivel and K. Vairamanickam introduced minimal  $rg\alpha$ -open sets and maximal  $rg\alpha$ -open sets in topological spaces. S. Balasubramanian and P.A.S. Vyjayanthi introduced minimal v-open sets and maximal v-open sets; minimal v-closed sets and maximal v-closed sets and maximal vg-closed sets and maximal vg-closed sets and maximal vg-closed sets and maximal vg-closed sets in topological spaces. Inspired with these developments we further study a new type of closed and open sets namely minimal rg-closed sets, maximal rg-open sets, minimal rg-open sets and maximal rg-closed sets. Throughout the paper a space X means a topological space (X,  $\tau$ ). The class of rg-closed sets is denoted by RGC(X).

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

#### 2.1. Definition 2.01

Let A⊂X.

- (i) A point  $x \in A$  is the rg-interior point of A iff  $\exists G \in RGO(X, \tau)$  such that  $x \in G \subseteq A$ .
- (ii) A point  $X \in X$  is said to be an rg-limit point of A iff for each  $U \in RGO(X)$ ,  $U \cap (A \sim \{x\}) \neq \emptyset$ .
- (iii) A point  $x \in A$  is said to be rg-isolated point of A if  $\exists U \in RGO(X)$  such that  $U \cap A = \{x\}$ .

#### **2.2. Definition 2.02**

- (i)  $A \subset X$  is called g-closed[rg-closed] if cl  $A \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is open[r-open] in X.
- (ii) A $\subset$ X is said to be rg-discrete if each point of A is rg-isolated point of A. The set of all rg-isolated points of A is denoted by  $I_{rg}(A)$ .
- (iii) For any A $\subset$  X, the intersection of all rg-closed sets containing A is called the rg-closure of A and is denoted by  $rg(A)^-$ .
- (iv) For any  $A \subset X$ ,  $A \sim rg(A)^0$  is said to be rg-border or rg-boundary of A and is denoted by  $B_{rq}(A)$ .
- (v) For any  $A \subset X$ ,  $rg[rg(X \sim A)^-]^0$  is said to be the rg-exterior  $A \subset X$  and is denoted by  $rg(A)^e$ .
- (vi) The set of all rg-interior points A is said to be rg-interior of A and is denoted by  $rg(A)^0$ .

#### 2.3. Definition 2.03

A topological space X is said to be locally finite space if each of its elements is contained in a finite open set.

#### 2.4. Theorem 2.01

- (i) Arbitrary intersection of rg-closed sets is rg-closed.
- (ii) Let  $X = X_1 \times X_2$ . Let  $A_1 \in RGC(X_1)$  and  $A_2 \in RGC(X_2)$ , then  $A_1 \times A_2 \in RGC(X_1 \times X_2)$ .
- (iii) Let  $A \subseteq Y \subseteq X$  and Y is regularly open subspace of X then  $A \in RGO(Y, \tau_{XY})$  iff Y is rg-open in X
- (iv) Let  $Y\subseteq X$  and A is a rg-neighborhood of x in Y. Then A is rg-neighborhood of x in Y iff Y is rg-open in X.

Note 2: Finite union and finite intersection of rg-closed sets is not rg-closed in general.

## 3. MINIMAL rg-OPEN SETS AND MAXIMAL rg-CLOSED SETS

#### 3.1. Definition 3.1

A proper nonempty rg-open subset U of X is said to be a **minimal** rg-open set if any rg-open set contained in U is  $\phi$  or U.

Remark 1: Every Minimal open set is a minimal rg-open set but converse is not true:

**Example 1:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ;  $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ .  $\{a\}$  is both Minimal open set and Minimal rg-open set but  $\{b\}$ ;  $\{c\}$  and  $\{d\}$  are Minimal rg-open but not Minimal open.

Remark 2: From the above example and known results we have the following implications

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#### 3.2. Theorem 3.1

(i) Let U be a minimal rg-open set and W be a rg-open set. Then  $U \cap W = \emptyset$  or  $U \subset W$ .

(ii) Let U and V be minimal rg-open sets. Then  $U \cap V = \emptyset$  or U = V.

**Proof**: (i) Let U be a minimal rg-open set and W be a rg-open set. If  $U \cap W = \phi$ , then there is nothing to prove.

If  $U \cap W \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $U \cap W \subset U$ . Since U is a minimal rg-open set, we have  $U \cap W = U$ . Therefore  $U \subset W$ .

(ii) Let U and V be minimal rg-open sets. If  $U \cap V \neq \emptyset$ , then  $U \subset V$  and  $V \subset U$  by (i). Therefore U = V.

#### 3.2. Theorem 3.2

Let U be a minimal rg-open set. If  $x \in U$ , then  $U \subset W$  for any regular open neighborhood W of x.

**Proof**: Let U be a minimal rg-open set and x be an element of U. Suppose  $\exists$  a regular open neighborhood W of x such that  $U \subset W$ . Then  $U \cap W$  is a rg-open set such that  $U \cap W \subset U$  and  $U \cap W \neq \emptyset$ . Since U is a minimal rg-open set, we have  $U \cap W = U$ . That is  $U \subset W$ , which is a contradiction for  $U \subset W$ . Therefore  $U \subset W$  for any regular open neighborhood W of x.

#### 3.3. Theorem 3.3

Let U be a minimal rg-open set. If  $x \in U$ , then  $U \subset W$  for some rg-open set W containing x.

#### 3.4. Theorem 3.4

Let U be a minimal rg-open set. Then  $U = \bigcap \{W: W \in RGO(X, x)\}$  for any element x of U.

**Proof**: By theorem[3.3] and U is rg-open set containing x, we have  $U \subset \cap \{W: W \in RGO(X, x)\} \subset U$ .

#### 3.5. Theorem 3.5

Let U be a nonempty rg-open set. Then the following three conditions are equivalent.

(i) U is a minimal rg-open set

(ii) U ⊂ rg(S) - for any nonempty subset S of U

(iii)  $rg(U)^- = rg(S)^-$  for any nonempty subset S of U.

**Proof**: (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) Let  $x \in U$ ; U be minimal rg-open set and  $S(\neq \phi) \subset U$ . By theorem[3.3], for any rg-open set W containing  $x, S \subset U \subset W \Rightarrow S \subset W$ . Now  $S = S \cap U \subset S \cap W$ . Since  $S \neq \phi$ ,  $S \cap W \neq \phi$ . Since W is any rg-open set containing  $x, x \in rg(S)$ . That is  $x \in U \Rightarrow x \in rg(S)$  for any nonempty subset S of U.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) Let S be a nonempty subset of U. That is  $S \subset U \Rightarrow rg(S)^- \subset rg(U)^- \rightarrow$  (1). Again from (ii)  $U \subset rg(S)^-$  for any  $S \neq \emptyset$   $\subseteq U \Rightarrow rg(U)^- \subset rg(rg(S)^-)^- = rg(S)^-$ . That is  $rg(U)^- \subset rg(S)^- \rightarrow$  (2). From (1) and (2), we have  $rg(U)^- = rg(S)^-$  for any nonempty subset S of U.

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) From (3) we have  $rg(U)^- = rg(S)^-$  for any nonempty subset S of U. Suppose U is not a minimal rg-open set. Then  $\exists$  a nonempty rg-open set V such that  $V \subset U$  and  $V \neq U$ . Now  $\exists$  an element a in U such that  $a \notin V \Rightarrow a \in V^c$ . That is  $rg(\{a\})^- \subset rg(V^c)^- = V^c$ , as  $V^c$  is rg-closed set in X. It follows that  $rg(\{a\})^- \neq rg(U)^-$ . This is a contradiction for  $rg(\{a\})^- = rg(U)^-$  for any  $\{a\}(\neq \phi) \subset U$ . Therefore U is a minimal rg-open set.

#### 3.6. Theorem 3.6

Let  $V \neq \phi$  be a finite rg-open set. Then  $\exists$  at least one (finite) minimal rg-open set U such that  $U \subseteq V$ .

**Proof**: Let V be a nonempty finite rg-open set. If V is a minimal rg-open set, we may set U = V. If V is not a minimal rg-open set, then  $\exists$  (finite) rg-open set V<sub>1</sub> such that  $\phi \neq V_1 \subseteq V$ . If V<sub>1</sub> is a minimal rg-open set, we may set U = V<sub>1</sub>. If V<sub>1</sub> is not a minimal rg-open set, then  $\exists$  (finite) rg-open set V<sub>2</sub> such that  $\phi \neq V_2 \subseteq V_1$ . Continuing this process, we have a sequence of rg-open sets V  $\supset V_1 \supset V_2 \supset V_3 \supset ..... \supset V_k \supset .....$  Since V is a finite set, this process repeats only finitely. Then finally we get a minimal rg-open set U = V<sub>1</sub> for some positive integer n.

#### 3.7. Corollary 3.1

Let X be a locally finite space and  $V \neq \phi$  be an rg-open set. Then  $\exists$  at least one (finite) minimal rg-open set U such that  $U \subset V$ .

**Proof**: Let X be a locally finite space and V be a nonempty rg-open set. Let x in V. Since X is locally finite space, we have a finite open set  $V_x$  such that x in  $V_x$ . Then  $V \cap V_x$  is a finite rg-open set. By Theorem 3.6  $\exists$  at least one (finite) minimal rg-open set U such that U  $\subseteq$  V  $\cap$  V<sub>x</sub>. That is U  $\subseteq$  V  $\cap$  V<sub>x</sub>  $\subseteq$  V. Hence  $\exists$  at least one (finite) minimal rg-open set U such that U  $\subseteq$  V.

#### 3.8. Corollary 3.2

Let V be a finite minimal open set. Then ∃ at least one (finite) minimal rg-open set U such that U ⊂ V.

**Proof**: Let V be a finite minimal open set. Then V is a nonempty finite rg-open set. By Theorem 3.6,  $\exists$  at least one (finite) minimal rg-open set U such that  $U \subset V$ .

#### 3.9. Theorem 3.7

Let U;  $U_{\lambda}$  be minimal rg-open sets for any element  $\lambda \in \Gamma$ . If  $U \subset U_{\lambda \in \Gamma}U_{\lambda}$ , then  $\exists$  an element  $\lambda \in \Gamma$  such that  $U = U_{\lambda}$ .

**Proof**: Let  $U \subset \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Gamma} U_{\lambda}$ . Then  $U \cap (\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Gamma} U_{\lambda}) = U$ . That is  $\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Gamma} (U \cap U_{\lambda}) = U$ . Also by theorem [3.1] (ii),  $U \cap U_{\lambda} = \phi$  or  $U = U_{\lambda}$  for any  $\lambda \in \Gamma$ . It follows that  $\exists$  an element  $\lambda \in \Gamma$  such that  $U = U_{\lambda}$ .

#### 3.10. Theorem 3.8

Let U;  $U_{\lambda}$  be minimal  $\mathit{rg}$ -open sets for any  $\lambda \in \Gamma$ . If  $U = U_{\lambda}$  for any  $\lambda \in \Gamma$ , then  $(U_{\lambda \in \Gamma}U_{\lambda}) \cap U = \emptyset$ .

**Proof**: Assume  $(U_{\lambda \in \Gamma} \dot{U}_{\lambda}) \cap U \neq \phi$ . That is  $U_{\lambda \in \Gamma}(U_{\lambda} \cap U) \neq \phi$ . Then  $\exists$  an element  $\lambda \in \Gamma$  such that  $U \cap U_{\lambda} \neq \phi$ . By theorem 3.1(ii), we have  $U = U_{\lambda}$ , which contradicts the fact that  $U \neq U_{\lambda}$  for any  $\lambda \in \Gamma$ . Hence  $(U_{\lambda \in \Gamma} U_{\lambda}) \cap U = \phi$ .

We now introduce maximal  $\emph{rg-}$  closed sets in topological spaces as follows.

**Definition 3.2:** A proper nonempty *rg-*closed F  $\subset$  X is said to be **maximal** *rg-*closed set if any *rg-*closed set containing F is either X or F.

Remark 3: Every Maximal closed set is maximal rg-closed set but not conversely

**Example 2:** In Example 1, {b, c, d} is Maximal closed and Maximal *rg-*closed but {a, b, d} and {a, c, d} are Maximal *rg-*closed but not Maximal closed.

Remark 4: From the known results and by the above example we have the following implications:

#### 3.11. THEOREM 3.9

A proper nonempty subset F of X is maximal  $\mathit{rg}\text{-}\mathit{closed}$  set iff X-F is a minimal  $\mathit{rg}\text{-}\mathit{open}$  set.

**Proof**: Let F be a maximal rg-closed set. Suppose X-F is not a minimal rg-open set. Then  $\exists rg$ -open set  $U \neq X$ -F such that  $\phi \neq U \subset X$ -F. That is  $F \subset X$ -U and X-U is a rg-closed set which is a contradiction for F is a minimal rg-open set.

Conversely let X-F be a minimal rg-open set. Suppose F is not a maximal rg-closed set. Then  $\exists rg$ -closed set  $E \neq F$  such that  $F \subset E \neq X$ . That is  $\phi \neq X$ -E  $\subset X$ -F and X-E is a rg-open set which is a contradiction for X-F is a minimal rg-open set. Therefore F is a maximal rg-closed set.

#### 3.12. Theorem 3.10

(i) Let F be a maximal rg-closed set and W be a rg-closed set. Then  $F \cup W = X$  or  $W \subset F$ .

(ii) Let F and S be maximal rg-closed sets. Then  $F \cup S = X$  or F = S.

**Proof**: (i) Let F be a maximal *rg*-closed set and W be a *rg*-closed set. If  $F \cup W = X$ , then there is nothing to prove. Suppose  $F \cup W \neq X$ . Then  $F \subset F \cup W$ . Therefore  $F \cup W = F \Rightarrow W \subset F$ .

(ii) Let F and S be maximal rg-closed sets. If  $F \cup S \neq X$ , then we have  $F \subseteq S$  and  $S \subseteq F$  by (i). Therefore F = S.

#### 3.13. Theorem 3.11

Let F be a maximal rg-closed set. If x is an element of F, then for any rg-closed set S containing x,  $F \cup S = X$  or  $S \subset F$ .

**Proof**: Let F be a maximal rg-closed set and x is an element of F. Suppose  $\exists rg$ -closed set S containing x such that  $F \cup S \neq X$ . Then  $F \subset F \cup S$  and  $F \cup S$  is a rg-closed set, as the finite union of rg-closed sets is a rg-closed set. Since F is a rg-closed set, we have  $F \cup S = F$ . Therefore  $S \subset F$ .

#### 3.14. Theorem 3.12

Let  $F_{\alpha}$ ,  $F_{\beta}$ ,  $F_{\delta}$  be maximal rg-closed sets such that  $F_{\alpha} \neq F_{\beta}$ . If  $F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\beta} \subset F_{\delta}$ , then either  $F_{\alpha} = F_{\delta}$  or  $F_{\beta} = F_{\delta}$ 

**Proof**: Given that  $F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\beta} \subset F_{\delta}$ . If  $F_{\alpha} = F_{\delta}$  then there is nothing to prove.

If  $F_{\alpha} \neq F_{\delta}$  then we have to prove  $F_{\beta} = F_{\delta}$ . Now  $F_{\beta} \cap F_{\delta} = F_{\beta} \cap (F_{\delta} \cap X) = F_{\beta} \cap (F_{\delta} \cap F_{\alpha} \cup F_{\beta})$  (by thm. 3.10 (ii))  $= F_{\beta} \cap ((F_{\delta} \cap F_{\alpha}) \cup (F_{\delta} \cap F_{\beta})) = (F_{\beta} \cap F_{\delta} \cap F_{\delta}) = (F_{\beta} \cap F_{\delta} \cap F_{\delta})$ 

=  $(F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\beta}) \cup (F_{\delta} \cap F_{\beta})$  (by  $F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\beta} \subset F_{\delta}$ ) =  $(F_{\alpha} \cup F_{\delta}) \cap F_{\beta} = X \cap F_{\beta}$  (Since  $F_{\alpha}$  and  $F_{\delta}$  are maximal rg-closed sets by theorem[3.10](ii),  $F_{\alpha} \cup F_{\delta} = X$ ) =  $F_{\beta}$ . That is  $F_{\beta} \cap F_{\delta} = F_{\beta} \Rightarrow F_{\beta} \subset F_{\delta}$  Since  $F_{\beta}$  and  $F_{\delta}$  are maximal rg-closed sets, we have  $F_{\beta} = F_{\delta}$  Therefore  $F_{\beta} = F_{\delta}$ 

#### 3.15. Theorem 3.13

Let  $F_{\alpha}$ ,  $F_{\beta}$  and  $F_{\delta}$  be different maximal rg-closed sets to each other. Then  $(F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\beta}) \not\subset (F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\delta})$ .

**Proof**: Let  $(F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\beta}) \subset (F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\beta}) \Rightarrow (F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\beta}) \cup (F_{\delta} \cap F_{\beta}) \subset (F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\delta}) \Rightarrow (F_{\alpha} \cup F_{\delta}) \cap F_{\beta} \subset F_{\delta} \cap (F_{\alpha} \cup F_{\beta})$ . Since by theorem 3.10(ii),  $F_{\alpha} \cup F_{\delta} = X$  and  $F_{\alpha} \cup F_{\beta} = X \Rightarrow X \cap F_{\beta} \subset F_{\delta} \cap X \Rightarrow F_{\beta} \subset F_{\delta}$  from the definition of maximal rg-closed set it follows that  $F_{\beta} = F_{\delta}$ , which is a contradiction to the fact that  $F_{\alpha}$ ,  $F_{\beta}$  and  $F_{\delta}$  are different to each other. Therefore  $(F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\beta}) \not\subset (F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\delta})$ .

#### 3.16. Theorem 3.14

Let F be a maximal rg-closed set and x be an element of F. Then  $F = \bigcup \{ S: S \text{ is a rg-closed set containing x such that } F \cup S \neq X \}.$ 

**Proof**: By theorem 3.12 and fact that F is a rg-closed set containing x, we have  $F \subset \bigcup \{S: S \text{ is a } rg\text{-closed set containing x such that } F \cup S \neq X\} - F$ . Therefore we have the result.

#### 3.17. Theorem 3.15

Let F be a proper nonempty cofinite rg-closed set. Then  $\exists$  (cofinite) maximal rg-closed set E such that F  $\subset$  E.

**Proof**: If F is maximal rg-closed set, we may set E = F. If F is not a maximal rg-closed set, then  $\exists$  (cofinite) rg-closed set  $F_1$  such that  $F \subseteq F_1 \neq X$ . If  $F_1$  is a maximal rg-closed set, we may set E =  $F_1$ . If  $F_1$  is not a maximal rg-closed set, then  $\exists$  a (cofinite) rg-closed set  $F_2$  such that  $F \subseteq F_1 \subseteq F_2 \neq X$ . Continuing this process, we have a sequence of rg-closed,  $F \subseteq F_1 \subseteq F_2 \subseteq ... \subseteq F_k \subseteq ...$ . Since F is a cofinite set, this process repeats only finitely. Then, finally we get a maximal rg-closed set  $E = E_n$  for some positive integer n.

#### 3.18. Theorem 3.16

Let F be a maximal rg-closed set. If x is an element of X-F. Then X-F  $\subset$  E for any rg-closed set E containing x.

**Proof**: Let F be a maximal rg-closed set and x in X-F. E  $\not\subset$  F for any rg-closed set E containing x. Then E  $\cup$  F = X by theorem 3.10(ii). Therefore X-F  $\subset$  E.

#### 4. MINIMAL rg-CLOSED SET AND MAXIMAL rg-OPEN SET

We now introduce minimal rg-closed sets and maximal rg-open sets in topological spaces as follows.

#### 4.1. Definition 4.1

A proper nonempty rg-closed subset F of X is said to be a **minimal** rg-closed set if any rg-closed set contained in F is  $\phi$  or F.

**Remark 5:** Every Minimal closed set is minimal *rg-*closed set but not conversely:

**Example 3:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ;  $\tau = \{\phi, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ .  $\{d\}$  is both Minimal closed set and Minimal rg-closed set but  $\{a\}$ ,  $\{b\}$  and  $\{c\}$  are Minimal rg-closed but not Minimal closed.

#### 4.2. Definition 4.2

A proper nonempty *rg*-open U C X is said to be a **maximal** *rg*-open set if any *rg*-open set containing U is either X or U.

Remark 6: Every Maximal open set is maximal rg-open set but not conversely.

**Example 4:** In Example 3. {a, b, c} is Maximal open set and maximal *rg*-open set but {a, b, d}, {a, c, d} and {b, c, d} are Maximal *rg*-open but not maximal open.

#### 4.3. Theorem 4.1

A proper nonempty subset U of X is maximal rg-open set iff X-U is a minimal rg-closed set.

**Proof**: Let U be a maximal rg-open set. Suppose X-U is not a minimal rg-closed set. Then  $\exists rg$ -closed set V  $\neq$  X-U such that  $\phi \neq$  V  $\subset$  X-U. That is U  $\subset$  X-V and X-V is a rg-open set which is a contradiction for U is a minimal rg-closed set. Conversely let X-U be a minimal rg-closed set. Suppose U is not a maximal rg-open set. Then  $\exists rg$ -open set E  $\neq$  U such that U  $\subset$  E  $\neq$  X. That is  $\phi \neq$  X-E  $\subset$  X-U and X-E is a rg-closed set which is a contradiction for X-U is a minimal rg-closed set. Therefore U is a maximal rg-closed set.

#### 4.4. Lemma 4.1

(i) Let U be a minimal rg-closed set and W be a rg-closed set. Then U  $\cap$  W =  $\phi$  or U subset W.

(ii) Let U and V be minimal rg-closed sets. Then  $U \cap V = \phi$  or U = V.

**Proof**: (i) Let U be a minimal rg-closed set and W be a rg-closed set. If  $U \cap W = \phi$ , then there is nothing to prove. If  $U \cap W \neq \phi$ . Then  $U \cap W \subseteq U$ . Since U is minimal rg-closed set, we have  $U \cap W = U$ . Therefore  $U \subseteq W$ .

(ii) Let U and V be minimal rg-closed sets. If U∩V ≠ φ, then U ⊂ V and V ⊂ U by (i). Therefore U = V.

#### 4.5. Theorem 4.2

Let U be minimal rg-closed set. If  $x \in U$ , then  $U \subset W$  for any regular open neighborhood W of x.

**Proof**: Let U be a minimal rg-closed set and x be an element of U. Suppose  $\exists$  an regular open neighborhood W of x such that U  $\subset$  W. Then U  $\cap$  W is a rg-closed set such that U  $\cap$  W  $\subset$  U and U  $\cap$  W  $\neq$   $\emptyset$ . Since U is a minimal rg-closed set, we have U  $\cap$  W = U. That is U  $\subset$  W, which is a contradiction for U  $\subset$  W. Therefore U  $\subset$  W for any regular open neighborhood W of x.

#### 4.6. Theorem 4.3

Let U be a minimal rg-closed set. If  $x \in U$ , then  $U \subset W$  for some rg-closed set W containing x.

#### 4.7. Theorem 4.4

Let U be a minimal rg-closed set. Then  $U = \bigcap \{W: W \in RGO(X, x)\}\$  for any element x of U.

**Proof**: By theorem[4.3] and U is *rg*-closed set containing x, we have  $U \subset \cap \{W: W \in RGO(X, x)\} \subset U$ .

#### 4.8. Theorem 4.5

Let U be a nonempty rg-closed set. Then the following three conditions are equivalent.

(i) U is a minimal rg-closed set

(ii)  $U \subset rg(S)^-$  for any nonempty subset S of U

(iii) rg(U) = rg(S) for any nonempty subset S of U.

**Proof**: (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) Let  $x \in U$ ; U be minimal rg-closed set and  $S(\neq \phi) \subset U$ . By theorem[4.3], for any rg-closed set W containing x,  $S \subset U \subset W \Rightarrow S \subset W$ . Now  $S = S \cap U \subset S \cap W$ . Since  $S \neq \phi$ ,  $S \cap W \neq \phi$ . Since W is any rg-closed set containing x, by theorem[4.3],  $x \in rg(S)^-$ . That is  $x \in U \Rightarrow x \in rg(S)^- \Rightarrow U \subset rg(S)^-$  for any nonempty subset S of U.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) Let S be a nonempty subset of U. That is  $S \subset U \Rightarrow rg(S)^- \subset rg(U)^- \rightarrow$  (1). Again from (ii)  $U \subset rg(S)^-$  for any  $S(\neq \phi) \subset U \Rightarrow rg(U)^- \subset rg(rg(S)^-)^- = rg(S)^-$ . That is  $rg(U)^- \subset rg(S)^- \rightarrow$  (2). From (1) and (2), we have  $rg(U)^- = rg(S)^-$  for any nonempty subset S of U.

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) From (3) we have  $rg(U)^- = rg(S)^-$  for any nonempty subset S of U. Suppose U is not a minimal rg-closed set. Then  $\exists$  a nonempty rg-closed set V such that  $V \subset U$  and  $V \neq U$ . Now  $\exists$  an element a in U such that  $a \notin V \Rightarrow a \in V^c$ . That is  $rg(\{a\})^- \subset rg(V^c)^- = V^c$ , as  $V^c$  is rg-closed set in X. It follows that  $rg(\{a\})^- \neq rg(U)^-$ . This is a contradiction for  $rg(\{a\})^- = rg(U)^-$  for any  $\{a\} \neq \emptyset$ . U. Therefore U is a minimal rg-closed set.

#### 4.9. Theorem 4.6

If  $V \neq \phi$  finite rg-closed set. Then  $\exists$  at least one (finite) minimal rg-closed set U such that  $U \subseteq V$ .

**Proof**: Let V be a nonempty finite rg-closed set. If V is a minimal rg-closed set, we may set U = V. If V is not a minimal rg-closed set, then  $\exists$  (finite) rg-closed set V<sub>1</sub> such that  $\phi \neq V_1 \subseteq V$ . If V<sub>1</sub> is a minimal rg-closed set, we may set U = V<sub>1</sub>. If V<sub>1</sub> is not a minimal rg-closed set, then  $\exists$  (finite) rg-closed set V<sub>2</sub> such that  $\phi \neq V_2 \subseteq V_1$ . Continuing this process, we have a sequence of rg-closed sets  $V \supset V_1 \supset V_2 \supset V_3 \supset ..... \supset V_k \supset .....$  Since V is a finite set, this process repeats only finitely. Then finally we get a minimal rg-closed set U = V<sub>n</sub> for some positive integer n.

#### 4.10. Corollary 4.1

Let X be a locally finite space and V be a nonempty rg-closed set. Then ∃ at least one (finite) minimal rg-closed set U such that U ⊂ V.

**Proof**: Let X be a locally finite space and V be a nonempty rg-closed set. Let x in V. Since X is locally finite space, we have a finite open set  $V_x$  such that x in  $V_x$ . Then  $V_y = V_x$  is a finite rg-closed set. By Theorem 4.6  $\exists$  at least one (finite) minimal rg-closed set U such that U  $\subseteq$  V $_y = V_x$ . That is U  $\subseteq$  V $_y = V_x$ . Hence  $\exists$  at least one (finite) minimal rg-closed set U such that U  $\subseteq$  V.

#### 4.11. Corollary 4.2

If V is finite minimal open set. Then  $\exists$  at least one (finite) minimal rg-closed set U s.t. U  $\subseteq$  V.

**Proof**: Let V be a finite minimal open set. Then V is a nonempty finite rg-closed set. By Theorem 4.6,  $\exists$  at least one (finite) minimal rg-closed set U such that  $U \subset V$ .

#### 4.12. Theorem 4.7

Let U;  $U_{\lambda}$  be minimal rg-closed sets for any  $\lambda \in \Gamma$ . If  $U \subset U_{\lambda \in \Gamma}U_{\lambda}$ , then  $\exists \lambda \in \Gamma$  s.t.  $U = U_{\lambda}$ .

**Proof**: Let  $U \subset \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Gamma} U_{\lambda}$ . Then  $U \cap (\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Gamma} U_{\lambda}) = U$ . That is  $\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Gamma} (U \cap U_{\lambda}) = U$ . Also by lemma[4.1] (ii),  $U \cap U_{\lambda} = \phi$  or  $U = U_{\lambda}$  for any  $\lambda \in \Gamma$ . It follows that  $\exists$  an element  $\lambda \in \Gamma$  such that  $U = U_{\lambda}$ .

#### 4.13. Theorem 4.8

Let U;  $U_{\lambda}$  be minimal  $\mathit{rg}$ -closed sets for any  $\lambda \in \Gamma$ . If  $U = U_{\lambda}$  for any  $\lambda \in \Gamma$ , then  $(U_{\lambda \in \Gamma}U_{\lambda}) \cap U = \phi$ .

**Proof**: Suppose that  $(\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Gamma} U_{\lambda}) \cap U \neq \emptyset$ . That is  $\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Gamma} (U_{\lambda} \cap U) \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $\exists$  an element  $\lambda \in \Gamma$  such that  $U \cap U_{\lambda} \neq \emptyset$ . By lemma 4.1(ii), we have  $U = U_{\lambda}$ , which contradicts the fact that  $U \neq U_{\lambda}$  for any  $\lambda \in \Gamma$ . Hence  $(\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Gamma} U_{\lambda}) \cap U = \emptyset$ .

#### 4.14. Theorem 4.9

A proper nonempty subset F of X is maximal rg-open set iff X-F is a minimal rg-closed set.

**Proof**: Let F be a maximal rg-open set. Suppose X-F is not a minimal rg-open set. Then  $\exists rg$ -open set  $U \neq X$ -F such that  $\phi \neq U \subset X$ -F. That is  $F \subset X$ -U and X-U is a rg-open set which is a contradiction for F is a minimal rg-closed set.

Conversely let X-F be a minimal rg-open set. Suppose F is not a maximal rg-open set. Then  $\exists rg$ -open set  $E \neq F$  such that  $F \subset E \neq X$ . That is  $\phi \neq X$ -E  $\subset X$ -F and X-E is a rg-open set which is a contradiction for X-F is a minimal rg-closed set. Therefore F is a maximal rg-open set.

#### 4.15. Theorem 4.10

(i) Let F be a maximal rg-open set and W be a rg-open set. Then  $F \cup W = X$  or  $W \subset F$ .

(ii) Let F and S be maximal rg-open sets. Then  $F \cup S = X$  or F = S.

**Proof**: (i) Let F be a maximal rg-open set and W be a rg-open set. If  $F \cup W = X$ , then there is nothing to prove. Suppose  $F \cup W \neq X$ . Then  $F \subset F \cup W$ . Therefore  $F \cup W = F \Rightarrow W \subset F$ .

(ii) Let F and S be maximal rg-open sets. If  $F \cup S \neq X$ , then we have  $F \subset S$  and  $S \subset F$  by (i). Therefore F = S.

#### 4.16. Theorem 4.11

Let F be a maximal  $\mathit{rg}$ -open set. If x is an element of F, then for any  $\mathit{rg}$ -open set S containing x, F  $\cup$  S = X or S  $\subset$  F.

**Proof**: Let F be a maximal rg-open set and x is an element of F. Suppose  $\exists rg$ -open set S containing x such that  $F \cup S \neq X$ . Then  $F \subseteq F \cup S$  and  $F \cup S$  is a rg-open set, as the finite union of rg-open sets is a rg-open set, we have  $F \cup S = F$ . Therefore  $S \subseteq F$ .

#### 4.17. Theorem 4.12

Let  $F_{\alpha}$ ,  $F_{\beta}$ ,  $F_{\delta}$  be maximal rg-open sets such that  $F_{\alpha} \neq F_{\beta}$ . If  $F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\beta} \subset F_{\delta}$ , then either  $F_{\alpha} = F_{\delta}$  or  $F_{\beta} = F_{\delta}$ 

**Proof**: Given that  $F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\beta} \subset F_{\delta}$ . If  $F_{\alpha} = F_{\delta}$  then there is nothing to prove.

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If  $F_{\alpha} \neq F_{\delta}$  then we have to prove  $F_{\beta} = F_{\delta}$ . Now  $F_{\beta} \cap F_{\delta} = F_{\beta} \cap (F_{\delta} \cap F_{\delta}) = F_{\beta} \cap (F_{\delta} \cap F_{\alpha}) = F_{\delta} \cap (F_{\delta} \cap$ 

=  $(F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\beta}) \cup (F_{\delta} \cap F_{\beta})$  (by  $F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\beta} \subset F_{\delta}$ ) =  $(F_{\alpha} \cup F_{\delta}) \cap F_{\beta} = X \cap F_{\beta}$  (Since  $F_{\alpha}$  and  $F_{\delta}$  are maximal rg-open sets by theorem[4.10](ii),  $F_{\alpha} \cup F_{\delta} = X$ ) =  $F_{\beta}$ . That is  $F_{\beta} \cap F_{\delta} = F_{\beta} \Rightarrow F_{\beta} \subset F_{\delta}$  Since  $F_{\beta}$  and  $F_{\delta}$  are maximal rg-open sets, we have  $F_{\beta} = F_{\delta}$  Therefore  $F_{\beta} = F_{\delta}$ 

#### 4.18. Theorem 4.13

Let  $F_{\alpha}$ ,  $F_{\beta}$  and  $F_{\delta}$  be different maximal rg-open sets to each other. Then  $(F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\beta}) \not\subset (F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\delta})$ .

**Proof**: Let  $(F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\beta}) \subset (F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\delta}) \Rightarrow (F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\beta}) \cup (F_{\delta} \cap F_{\beta}) \subset (F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\delta}) \Rightarrow (F_{\alpha} \cup F_{\delta}) \cap F_{\beta} \subset F_{\delta} \cap (F_{\alpha} \cup F_{\delta})$ . Since by theorem 4.10(ii),  $F_{\alpha} \cup F_{\delta} = X$  and  $F_{\alpha} \cup F_{\beta} = X \Rightarrow X \cap F_{\beta} \subset F_{\delta} \cap X \Rightarrow F_{\beta} \subset F_{\delta}$  From the definition of maximal rg-open set it follows that  $F_{\beta} = F_{\delta}$ , which is a contradiction to the fact that  $F_{\alpha}$ ,  $F_{\beta}$  and  $F_{\delta}$  are different to each other. Therefore  $(F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\beta}) \not\subset (F_{\alpha} \cap F_{\delta})$ .

#### 4.19. Theorem 4.14

Let F be a maximal rg-open set and x be an element of F. Then  $F = \bigcup \{ S: S \text{ is a } rg\text{-open set containing x such that } F \cup S \neq X \}$ .

**Proof**: By theorem 4.12 and fact that F is a rg-open set containing x, we have  $F \subset \bigcup \{S: S \text{ is a rg-open set containing x such that } F \cup S \neq X\} - F$ . Therefore we have the result.

#### 4.20. Theorem 4.15

If  $F \neq \emptyset$  is proper cofinite rg-open set. Then  $\exists$  (cofinite) maximal rg-open set E such that  $F \subset E$ .

**Proof**: If F is maximal rq-open set, we may set E = F. If F is not a maximal rq-open set, then  $\exists$  (cofinite) rq-open set F<sub>1</sub> such that  $F \subseteq F_1 \neq X$ . If F<sub>1</sub> is a maximal rg-open set, we may set  $E = F_1$ . If  $F_1$  is not a maximal rg-open set, then  $\exists$  a (cofinite) rg-open set  $F_2$  such that  $F \subseteq F_1 \subseteq F_2 \neq X$ . Continuing this process, we have a sequence of rg-open,  $F \subset F_1 \subset F_2 \subset ... \subset F_k \subset ...$  Since F is a cofinite set, this process repeats only finitely. Then, finally we get a maximal rg-open set  $E = E_n$  for some positive integer n.

#### 4.21. Theorem 4.16

Let F be a maximal rg-open set. If  $x \in X$ -F. Then X-F  $\subset$  E for any rg-open set E containing x.

**Proof**: Let F be a maximal  $\mathit{rg}$ -open set and x in X-F. E  $\not\subset$  F for any  $\mathit{rg}$ -open set E containing x. Then E  $\cup$  F = X by theorem 4.10(ii). Therefore X-F  $\subset$  E.

In this paper, authors defined a new variety of minimal closed and maximal open as well a new variety of minimal open and maximal closed sets called minimal rg-closed and maximal rg-open as well as minimal rg-open and maximal rg-closed sets.

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