

\mathcal{I}_{wgp} -NORMAL AND \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -REGULAR SPACES

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ABSTRACT. \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -normal and \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -regular spaces are introduced and various characterizations and properties are given. Characterizations of normal, mildly normal, wgp -normal and regular spaces are also given.

1. Introduction and Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, by a space X , we always mean a topological space (X, τ) with no separation properties assumed. Let H be a subset of X . We denote the interior, the closure and the complement of a subset H by $\text{int}(H)$, $\text{cl}(H)$ and $X \setminus H$ or H^c , respectively.

An ideal \mathcal{I} on a space X is a non-empty collection of subsets of X which satisfies (i) $P \in \mathcal{I}$ and $Q \subseteq P \Rightarrow Q \in \mathcal{I}$ and (ii) $P \in \mathcal{I}$ and $Q \in \mathcal{I} \Rightarrow P \cup Q \in \mathcal{I}$. Given a space X with an ideal \mathcal{I} on X and if $\wp(X)$ is the set of all subsets of X , a set operator $(.)^* : \wp(X) \rightarrow \wp(X)$, called a local function [7] of H with respect to τ and \mathcal{I} is defined as follows: for $H \subseteq X$,

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$H^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau) = \{x \in X \mid U \cap H \notin \mathcal{I} \text{ for every } U \in \tau(x)\}$ where $\tau(x) = \{U \in \tau \mid x \in U\}$. We will make use of the basic facts about the local functions [[6], Theorem 2.3] without mentioning it explicitly. A Kuratowski closure operator $cl^*(.)$ for a topology $\tau^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$, called the \star -topology, finer than τ is defined by $cl^*(H) = H \cup H^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$ [20]. When there is no chance for confusion, we will simply write H^* for $H^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$ and τ^* for $\tau^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$. If \mathcal{I} is an ideal on X , then (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is called an ideal space. \mathcal{N} is the ideal of all nowhere dense subsets in (X, τ) . A subset H of an ideal space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is called \star -closed [6] (resp. \star -dense in itself [5]) if $H^* \subseteq H$ (resp. $H \subseteq H^*$). The complement of a \star -closed set is called \star -open. A subset H of an ideal space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is called \mathcal{I}_g -closed [3] if $H^* \subseteq U$ whenever $H \subseteq U$ and U is open.

$int^*(H)$ will denote the interior of H in (X, τ^*) . A subset A of a space (X, τ) is said to be regular open [19] if $A = int(cl(A))$ and A is said to be regular closed [19] if $A = cl(int(A))$. A subset H of a space X is called an α -open [13] (resp. preopen [10]) set if $H \subseteq int(cl(int(H)))$ (resp. $H \subseteq int(cl(H))$). The family of all α -open sets in (X, τ) , denoted by τ^α , is a topology on X finer than τ . The complement of an α -open set is called α -closed. The interior of a subset H in (X, τ^α) is denoted by $int_\alpha(H)$. The closure of a subset H in (X, τ^α) is denoted by $cl_\alpha(H)$. A subset H of a space X is said to be g -closed [8] if $cl(H) \subseteq U$ whenever $H \subseteq U$ and U is open. H is said to be g -open if $X - H$ is g -closed.

An ideal \mathcal{I} is said to be codense [4] or τ -boundary [12] if $\tau \cap \mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$. \mathcal{I} is said to be completely codense [4] if $PO(X) \cap \mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$, where $PO(X)$ is the family of all preopen sets in (X, τ) . Every completely codense ideal is codense but not conversely [4]. The following Lemmas will be useful in the sequel.

Lemma 1.1. *Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal space. If \mathcal{I} is completely codense, then $\tau^* \subseteq \tau^\alpha$ [[16], Theorem 6].*

Let us say that $w \subseteq P$ is a weak structure (briefly WS) on X iff $\emptyset \in w$. Clearly each generalized topology and each minimal structure is a WS [2].

Each member of w is said to be w -open and the complement of a w -open set is called w -closed.

Let w be a weak structure on X and $H \subseteq X$. We define (as in the general case) $i_w(H)$ is the union of all w -open subsets contained in H and $c_w(H)$ is the intersection of all w -closed sets containing H [2].

Let w be a WS on a space X and $H \subseteq X$. Then $H \in \pi(w)$ if $H \subseteq i_w(c_w(H))$ [2].

Let w be a WS on a space X . Then $H \subseteq X$ is said to be wgp -closed [17] if $cl(H) \subseteq U$ whenever $H \subseteq U$ and $U \in \pi(w)$. A subset H of a space X is said to be rag -closed [14] if $cl_\alpha(H) \subseteq U$ whenever $H \subseteq U$ and U is regular open. H is said to be wgp -open (resp. rag -open) if $X - H$ is wgp -closed (resp. rag -closed).

Let w be a WS on an ideal space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) . Then $H \subseteq X$ is called \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed if $H^* \subseteq U$ whenever $H \subseteq U$ and $U \in \pi(w)$ [17]. In [17], every $*$ -closed and hence every closed set is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed. A subset H of an ideal space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is said to be \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open [17] if $X - H$ is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed. In this paper, we define \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -normal, $wgp\mathcal{I}$ -normal and \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -regular spaces using \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open sets and give characterizations and properties of such spaces. Also, characterizations of normal, mildly normal, wgp -normal and regular spaces are given.

Remark 1.2. [1] *If w is a WS on X , then $i_w(\emptyset) = \emptyset$ and $c_w(X) = X$.*

Theorem 1.3. [2] *If w is a WS on X and $A, B \in w$ then*

- (1) $i_w(A) \subseteq A \subseteq c_w(A)$,
- (2) $A \subseteq B \Rightarrow i_w(A) \subseteq i_w(B)$ and $c_w(A) \subseteq c_w(B)$,
- (3) $i_w(i_w(A)) = i_w(A)$ and $c_w(c_w(A)) = c_w(A)$,
- (4) $i_w(X - A) = X - c_w(A)$ and $c_w(X - A) = X - i_w(A)$.

Lemma 1.4. [1] *If w is a WS on X , then*

- (1) $x \in i_w(A)$ if and only if there is a w -open set $G \subseteq A$ such that $x \in G$,
- (2) $x \in c_w(A)$ if and only if $G \cap A \neq \emptyset$ whenever $x \in G \in w$,
- (3) If $A \in w$, then $A = i_w(A)$ and if A is w -closed then $A = c_w(A)$.

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Lemma 1.5 ([17], Theorem 2.47). *Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal space where $\tau \subseteq w$ and \mathcal{I} is completely codense. Then the following are equivalent.*

- (1) *X is normal.*
- (2) *For disjoint closed sets M and N , there exist disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open sets P and Q such that $M \subseteq P$, $N \subseteq Q$.*
- (3) *For a closed set M and an open set Q containing M , there exists an \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open set P such that $M \subseteq P \subseteq cl^*(P) \subseteq Q$.*

Definition 1.6. [17] *A topological space (X, τ) is said to have the property C if $P^c \in \tau$ and $Q^c \in \pi(w)$ then $(P \cap Q)^c \in \pi(w)$.*

Lemma 1.7 ([17], Theorem 2.15). *If (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is an ideal space with the property C and $H \subseteq X$, then the following are equivalent.*

- (1) *H is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed.*
- (2) *$cl^*(H) \subseteq U$ whenever $H \subseteq U$ and $U \in \pi(w)$.*

Lemma 1.8 ([17], Theorem 2.42). *Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal space with the property C and $H \subseteq X$. Then H is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open if and only if $F \subseteq int^*(H)$ whenever $F^c \in \pi(w)$ and $F \subseteq H$.*

Lemma 1.9 ([17], Theorem 2.46). *Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal space. Then every subset of X is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed if and only if every subset of $\pi(w)$ is $*$ -closed.*

Proposition 1.10. [17] *If $H \in \tau$ then $H \in \pi(w)$.*

Definition 1.11. [17] *Let w be a WS on a space X . A subset H of a space X is said to be $w\alpha gp$ -closed if $cl_\alpha(H) \subseteq U$ whenever $H \subseteq U$ and $U \in \pi(w)$. The complement of an $w\alpha gp$ -closed set is called $w\alpha gp$ -open.*

Lemma 1.12. *If (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is an ideal space and $H \subseteq X$. If $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$, then H is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed if and only if H is wgp -closed [17], Corollary 2.28].*

2. \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -normal spaces

Let w be a WS on an ideal space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) . Then (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is said to be an \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -normal space if for every pair of disjoint closed sets M and N , there exist disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open sets P and Q such that $M \subseteq P$ and $N \subseteq Q$. Since every open set is an \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open set, every normal space is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -normal. The following Example 2.1 shows that an \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -normal space is not necessarily a normal space. Theorem 2.2 below gives characterizations of \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -normal spaces. Theorem 2.3 below shows that the two concepts coincide for completely codense ideal spaces.

Example 2.1. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$, $w = \{\emptyset, \{c\}, X\}$ and $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\}$. Then $\pi(w) = \{\emptyset, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$ and \star -closed sets = $P(X)$, the power set of X . Here every subset of $\pi(w)$ is \star -closed and so, by Lemma 1.9, every subset of X is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed and hence every subset of X is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open. This implies that (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -normal. Now $\{a\}$ and $\{c\}$ are disjoint closed subsets of X which are not separated by disjoint open sets and so (X, τ) is not normal.

Theorem 2.2. Let w be a WS on an ideal space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) where $\tau \subseteq w$. Then the following are equivalent.

- (1) X is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -normal.
- (2) For every pair of disjoint closed sets M and N , there exist disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open sets P and Q such that $M \subseteq P$ and $N \subseteq Q$.
- (3) For every closed set M and an open set Q containing M , there exists an \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open set P such that $M \subseteq P \subseteq cl^*(P) \subseteq Q$.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2). The proof follows from the definition of \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -normal spaces.

(2) \Rightarrow (3). Let M be a closed set and Q be an open set containing M . Since M and $X - Q$ are disjoint closed sets, there exist disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open sets P and R such that $M \subseteq P$ and $X - Q \subseteq R$. Again, $P \cap R = \emptyset$ implies that $P \cap int^*(R) = \emptyset$. Also $P \subseteq X - R \Rightarrow cl^*(P) \subseteq cl^*(X - R) = X - int^*(R)$. Since $Q \in \pi(w)$ and R is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open, $X - Q \subseteq R$ implies that $X - Q \subseteq int^*(R)$ and so $X - int^*(R) \subseteq Q$. Thus, we have $M \subseteq P \subseteq cl^*(P) \subseteq X - int^*(R) \subseteq Q$ which proves (3).

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(3) \Rightarrow (1). Let M and N be two disjoint closed subsets of X. By hypothesis, there exists an \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open set P such that $M \subseteq P \subseteq \text{cl}^*(P) \subseteq X - N$. If $R = X - \text{cl}^*(P)$, then P and R are the required disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open sets containing M and N respectively. So, (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -normal.

Theorem 2.3. *Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal space where $\tau \subseteq w$ and \mathcal{I} is completely codense and w a WS on (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) . If (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -normal, then it is a normal space.*

Proof. Suppose that \mathcal{I} is completely codense. By Theorem 2.2, (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -normal if and only if for each pair of disjoint closed sets M and N, there exist disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open sets P and Q such that $M \subseteq P$ and $N \subseteq Q$ if and only if X is normal, by Lemma 1.5.

Theorem 2.4. *Let w be a WS on an ideal space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) where $\tau \subseteq w$ and X is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -normal space. If G is closed and H is a wgp-closed set such that $H \cap G = \emptyset$, then there exist disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open sets P and Q such that $H \subseteq P$ and $G \subseteq Q$.*

Proof. Since $H \cap G = \emptyset$, $H \subseteq X - G$ where $X - G \in \tau \subseteq \pi(w)$. Therefore, by hypothesis, $\text{cl}(H) \subseteq X - G$. Since $\text{cl}(H) \cap G = \emptyset$ and X is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -normal, there exist disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open sets P and Q such that $H \subseteq \text{cl}(H) \subseteq P$ and $G \subseteq Q$.

Proposition 2.5. *For a WS w on a space X, every closed subset is $w\alpha gp$ -closed.*

Proof. Let H be a closed set such that $H \subseteq U$ and $U \in \pi(w)$. Then $\text{cl}(H) = H$ and $\text{cl}_\alpha(H) \subseteq \text{cl}(H) = H \subseteq U$. Hence H is $w\alpha gp$ -closed. \square

Example 2.6. *Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{c\}, X\}$ and $w = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$. Then the $w\alpha gp$ -closed sets are $\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, X$ and the closed sets are $\emptyset, X, \{a, b\}$. It is clear that $\{b\}$ is $w\alpha gp$ -closed set but it is not closed.*

The following Corollaries 2.7 and 2.8 give properties of normal spaces. If $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ in Theorem 2.4, then we have the following Corollary 2.7, the proof of which follows from Theorem 2.3 and Lemma 1.12, since $\{\emptyset\}$ is a completely codense ideal. If $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{N}$ in

Theorem 2.4, then we have the Corollary 2.8 below, since $\tau^*(\mathcal{N})=\tau^\alpha$ and \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open sets coincide with $w\alpha gp$ -open sets.

Corollary 2.7. *Let (X,τ) be a normal space and w a WS on X such that $\tau\subseteq w$. If G is a closed set and H is a wgp -closed set disjoint from G , then there exist disjoint wgp -open sets P and Q such that $H\subseteq P$ and $G\subseteq Q$.*

Corollary 2.8. *Let (X,τ,\mathcal{I}) be a normal ideal space where $\mathcal{I}=\mathcal{N}$ and w a WS on (X,τ,\mathcal{I}) such that $\tau\subseteq w$. If G is a closed set and H is a wgp -closed set disjoint from G , then there exist disjoint $w\alpha gp$ -open sets P and Q such that $H\subseteq P$ and $G\subseteq Q$.*

Lemma 2.9. *If w is a WS on an ideal space (X,τ,\mathcal{I}) and $H\subseteq X$, then the following hold. If $\mathcal{I}=\mathcal{N}$, then H is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed if and only if H is $w\alpha gp$ -closed.*

Proof. It follows from $cl^*(H)=cl_\alpha(H)$ for any subset H of X . □

Theorem 2.10. *Let w be a WS on an ideal space (X,τ,\mathcal{I}) where $\tau\subseteq w$ and X is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -normal. Then the following hold.*

- (1) *For every closed set M and every wgp -open set N containing M , there exists an \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open set P such that $M\subseteq int^*(P)\subseteq P\subseteq N$.*
- (2) *For every wgp -closed set M and every open set N containing M , there exists an \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed set P such that $M\subseteq P\subseteq cl^*(P)\subseteq N$.*

Proof. (1) Let M be a closed set and N be a wgp -open set containing M . Then $M\cap(X-N)=\emptyset$, where M is closed and $X-N$ is wgp -closed. By Theorem 2.4, there exist disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open sets P and Q such that $M\subseteq P$ and $X-N\subseteq Q$. Since $P\cap Q=\emptyset$, we have $P\subseteq X-Q$. By Lemma 1.8, $M\subseteq int^*(P)$. Therefore, $M\subseteq int^*(P)\subseteq P\subseteq X-Q\subseteq N$. This proves (1).

(2) Let M be a wgp -closed set and N be an open set containing M . Then $X-N$ is a closed set contained in the wgp -open set $X-M$. By (1), there exists an \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open set Q such that $X-N\subseteq int^*(Q)\subseteq Q\subseteq X-M$. Therefore, $M\subseteq X-Q\subseteq cl^*(X-Q)\subseteq N$. If $P=X-Q$, then $M\subseteq P\subseteq cl^*(P)\subseteq N$ and so P is the required \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed set.

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The following Corollaries 2.11 and 2.12 give some properties of normal spaces. If $\mathcal{I}=\{\emptyset\}$ in Theorem 2.10, then we have the following Corollary 2.11. If $\mathcal{I}=\mathcal{N}$ in Theorem 2.10, then we have the Corollary 2.12 below.

Corollary 2.11. *Let (X,τ) be a normal space and w a WS on X such that $\tau\subseteq w$. Then the following hold.*

- (1) *For every closed set M and every wgp-open set N containing M , there exists a wgp-open set P such that $M\subseteq\text{int}(P)\subseteq P\subseteq N$.*
- (2) *For every wgp-closed set M and every open set N containing M , there exists a wgp-closed set P such that $M\subseteq P\subseteq\text{cl}(P)\subseteq N$.*

Corollary 2.12. *Let (X,τ) be a normal space and w a WS on X such that $\tau\subseteq w$. Then the following hold.*

- (1) *For every closed set M and every wgp-open set N containing M , there exists an $w\alpha$ gp-open set P such that $M\subseteq\text{int}_\alpha(P)\subseteq P\subseteq N$.*
- (2) *For every wgp-closed set M and every open set N containing M , there exists an $w\alpha$ gp-closed set P such that $M\subseteq P\subseteq\text{cl}_\alpha(P)\subseteq N$.*

Let w be a WS on an ideal space (X,τ,\mathcal{I}) . Then (X,τ,\mathcal{I}) is said to be $wgp\mathcal{I}$ -normal if for each pair of disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed sets M and N , there exist disjoint open sets P and Q in X such that $M\subseteq P$ and $N\subseteq Q$. Since every closed set is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed, every $wgp\mathcal{I}$ -normal space is normal. But a normal space need not be $wgp\mathcal{I}$ -normal as the following Example 2.13 shows. Theorems 2.14 and 2.17 below give characterizations of $wgp\mathcal{I}$ -normal spaces.

Example 2.13. *Let $X=\{a, b, c\}$, $\tau=\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$, $w=\{\emptyset, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$ and $\mathcal{I}=\{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$. Every subset of $\pi(w)$ is $*$ -closed and so every subset of X is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed. Now $A=\{a, b\}$ and $B=\{c\}$ are disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed sets, but they are not separated by disjoint open sets. So (X,τ,\mathcal{I}) is not $wgp\mathcal{I}$ -normal. But (X,τ,\mathcal{I}) is normal.*

Theorem 2.14. *Let w be a WS on an ideal space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) . Then the following are equivalent.*

- (1) X is ${}_{wgp}\mathcal{I}$ -normal.
- (2) For every \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed set M and every \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open set N containing M , there exists an open set P of X such that $M \subseteq P \subseteq cl(P) \subseteq N$.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2). Let M be an \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed set and N be an \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open set containing M . Since M and $X-N$ are disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed sets, there exist disjoint open sets P and Q such that $M \subseteq P$ and $X-N \subseteq Q$. Now $P \cap Q = \emptyset$ implies that $cl(P) \subseteq X-Q$. Therefore, $M \subseteq P \subseteq cl(P) \subseteq X-Q \subseteq N$. This proves (2).

(2) \Rightarrow (1). Suppose M and N are disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed sets, then the \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed set M is contained in the \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open set $X-N$. By hypothesis, there exists an open set P of X such that $M \subseteq P \subseteq cl(P) \subseteq X-N$. If $Q = X-cl(P)$, then P and Q are disjoint open sets containing M and N respectively. Therefore, (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is ${}_{wgp}\mathcal{I}$ -normal.

Definition 2.15. *A space X is said to be wgp -normal if for every disjoint wgp -closed sets A and B , there exist disjoint open sets U and V such that $A \subseteq U$ and $B \subseteq V$.*

If $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$, then ${}_{wgp}\mathcal{I}$ -normal spaces coincide with wgp -normal spaces and so if we take $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$, in Theorem 2.14, then we have the following characterization for wgp -normal spaces.

Corollary 2.16. *Let w be a WS on a space X . Then the following are equivalent.*

- (1) X is wgp -normal.
- (2) For every wgp -closed set M and every wgp -open set N containing M , there exists an open set P of X such that $M \subseteq P \subseteq cl(P) \subseteq N$.

Theorem 2.17. *Let w be a WS on an ideal space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) . Then the following are equivalent.*

- (1) X is ${}_{wgp}\mathcal{I}$ -normal.
- (2) For each pair of disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed subsets M and N of X , there exists an open set P of X containing M such that $cl(P) \cap N = \emptyset$.

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- (3) For each pair of disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed subsets M and N of X , there exist an open set P containing M and an open set Q containing N such that $cl(P) \cap cl(Q) = \emptyset$.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2). Suppose that M and N are disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed subsets of X . Then the \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed set M is contained in the \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open set $X - N$. By Theorem 2.14, there exists an open set P of X such that $M \subseteq P \subseteq cl(P) \subseteq X - N$. Therefore, P is the required open set containing M such that $cl(P) \cap N = \emptyset$.

(2) \Rightarrow (3). Let M and N be two disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed subsets of X . By hypothesis, there exists an open set P of X containing M such that $cl(P) \cap N = \emptyset$. Also, $cl(P)$ and N are disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed sets of X . By hypothesis, there exists an open set Q of X containing N such that $cl(P) \cap cl(Q) = \emptyset$.

(3) \Rightarrow (1). The proof is clear.

If $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$, in Theorem 2.17, then we have the following characterizations for wgp -normal spaces.

Corollary 2.18. *Let (X, τ) be a space and w a WS on X . Then the following are equivalent.*

- (1) X is wgp -normal.
- (2) For each pair of disjoint wgp -closed subsets M and N of X , there exists an open set P of X containing M such that $cl(P) \cap N = \emptyset$.
- (3) For each pair of disjoint wgp -closed subsets M and N of X , there exist an open set P containing M and an open set Q containing N such that $cl(P) \cap cl(Q) = \emptyset$.

Theorem 2.19. *Let w be a WS on a $wgp\mathcal{I}$ -normal ideal space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) with the property C. If M and N are disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed subsets of X , then there exist disjoint open sets P and Q such that $cl^*(M) \subseteq P$ and $cl^*(N) \subseteq Q$.*

Proof. Suppose that M and N are disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed sets. By Theorem 2.17(3), there exist an open set P containing M and an open set Q containing N such

that $\text{cl}(P) \cap \text{cl}(Q) = \emptyset$. Since M is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed, $M \subseteq P$ implies that $\text{cl}^*(M) \subseteq P$. Similarly $\text{cl}^*(N) \subseteq Q$.

If $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$, in Theorem 2.19, then we have the following property of disjoint wgp -closed sets in wgp -normal spaces.

Corollary 2.20. *Let w be a WS on a wgp -normal space X with the property C. If M and N are disjoint wgp -closed subsets of X , then there exist disjoint open sets P and Q such that $\text{cl}(M) \subseteq P$ and $\text{cl}(N) \subseteq Q$.*

Theorem 2.21. *Let w be a WS on an ideal $wgp\mathcal{I}$ -normal space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) with the property C. If M is an \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed set and N is an \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open set containing M , then there exists an open set P such that $M \subseteq \text{cl}^*(M) \subseteq P \subseteq \text{int}^*(N) \subseteq N$.*

Proof. Suppose M is an \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed set and N is an \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open set containing M . Since M and $X - N$ are disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed sets, by Theorem 2.19, there exist disjoint open sets P and Q such that $\text{cl}^*(M) \subseteq P$ and $\text{cl}^*(X - N) \subseteq Q$. Now, $X - \text{int}^*(N) = \text{cl}^*(X - N) \subseteq Q$ implies that $X - Q \subseteq \text{int}^*(N)$. Again, $P \cap Q = \emptyset$ implies $P \subseteq X - Q$ and so $M \subseteq \text{cl}^*(M) \subseteq P \subseteq X - Q \subseteq \text{int}^*(N) \subseteq N$.

If $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$, in Theorem 2.21, then we have the following Corollary 2.22.

Corollary 2.22. *Let w be a WS on a wgp -normal space X with the property C. If M is a wgp -closed set and N is a wgp -open set containing M , then there exists an open set P such that $M \subseteq \text{cl}(M) \subseteq P \subseteq \text{int}(N) \subseteq N$.*

The following Theorem 2.23 gives a characterization of normal spaces in terms of wgp -open sets which follows from Lemma 1.5 if $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$.

Theorem 2.23. *Let (X, τ) be a space and w a WS on X such that $\tau \subseteq w$. Then the following are equivalent.*

- (1) X is normal.

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- (2) For any disjoint closed sets M and N , there exist disjoint wgp -open sets P and Q such that $M \subseteq P$ and $N \subseteq Q$.
- (3) For any closed set M and an open set Q containing M , there exists a wgp -open set P such that $M \subseteq P \subseteq cl(P) \subseteq Q$.

The rest of the section is devoted to the study of mildly normal spaces in terms of \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open sets, \mathcal{I}_g -open sets and \mathcal{I}_{rg} -open sets. A space (X, τ) is said to be a mildly normal space [18] if disjoint regular closed sets are separated by disjoint open sets. A subset H of a space (X, τ) is said to be αg -closed [9] if $cl_\alpha(H) \subseteq U$ whenever $H \subseteq U$ and U is open. A subset H of a space (X, τ) is said to be rg -closed [15] if $cl(H) \subseteq U$ whenever $H \subseteq U$ and U is regular open in X . The complements of the above closed sets are called their respective open sets.

A subset H of an ideal space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is said to be a regular generalized closed set with respect to an ideal \mathcal{I} (\mathcal{I}_{rg} -closed) [11] if $H^* \subseteq U$ whenever $H \subseteq U$ and U is regular open. H is called \mathcal{I}_g -open (resp. \mathcal{I}_{rg} -open) if $X - H$ is \mathcal{I}_g -closed (resp. \mathcal{I}_{rg} -closed). Clearly, every \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed set is \mathcal{I}_g -closed if $\tau \subseteq w$ and every \mathcal{I}_g -closed set is \mathcal{I}_{rg} -closed but the separate converses are not true. Theorem 2.25 below gives characterizations of mildly normal spaces. Corollary 2.26 below gives characterizations of mildly normal spaces in terms of $w\alpha g$ -open, αg -open and $r\alpha g$ -open sets. Corollary 2.26 below gives characterizations of mildly normal spaces in terms of wgp -open, g -open and rg -open sets. The following Lemma 2.24 is essential to prove Theorem 2.25.

Lemma 2.24. [11] *Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal space. A subset $H \subseteq X$ is \mathcal{I}_{rg} -open if and only if $F \subseteq int^*(H)$ whenever F is regular closed and $F \subseteq H$.*

Theorem 2.25. *Let w be a WS on an ideal space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) where $\tau \subseteq w$ and \mathcal{I} is completely codense. Then the following are equivalent.*

- (1) X is mildly normal.
- (2) For disjoint regular closed sets M and N , there exist disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open sets P and Q such that $M \subseteq P$ and $N \subseteq Q$.

- (3) For disjoint regular closed sets M and N , there exist disjoint \mathcal{I}_g -open sets P and Q such that $M \subseteq P$ and $N \subseteq Q$.
- (4) For disjoint regular closed sets M and N , there exist disjoint \mathcal{I}_{rg} -open sets P and Q such that $M \subseteq P$ and $N \subseteq Q$.
- (5) For a regular closed set M and a regular open set N containing M , there exists an \mathcal{I}_{rg} -open set P of X such that $M \subseteq P \subseteq cl^*(P) \subseteq N$.
- (6) For a regular closed set M and a regular open set N containing M , there exists an $*$ -open set S of X such that $M \subseteq S \subseteq cl^*(S) \subseteq N$.
- (7) For disjoint regular closed sets M and N , there exist disjoint $*$ -open sets P and Q such that $M \subseteq P$ and $N \subseteq Q$.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2). Suppose that M and N are disjoint regular closed sets. Since X is mildly normal, there exist disjoint open sets P and Q such that $M \subseteq P$ and $N \subseteq Q$. But every open set is an \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open set. This proves (2).

(2) \Rightarrow (3). The proof follows from the fact that every \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open set is an \mathcal{I}_g -open set.

(3) \Rightarrow (4). The proof follows from the fact that every \mathcal{I}_g -open set is an \mathcal{I}_{rg} -open set.

(4) \Rightarrow (5). Suppose M is a regular closed and N is a regular open set containing M . Then M and $X-N$ are disjoint regular closed sets. By hypothesis, there exist disjoint \mathcal{I}_{rg} -open sets P and Q such that $M \subseteq P$ and $X-N \subseteq Q$. Since $X-N$ is regular closed and Q is \mathcal{I}_{rg} -open, by Lemma 2.24, $X-N \subseteq int^*(Q)$ and so $X-int^*(Q) \subseteq N$. Again, $P \cap Q = \emptyset$ implies that $P \cap int^*(Q) = \emptyset$ and so $cl^*(P) \subseteq X-int^*(Q) \subseteq N$. Hence P is the required \mathcal{I}_{rg} -open set such that $M \subseteq P \subseteq cl^*(P) \subseteq N$.

(5) \Rightarrow (6). Let M be a regular closed set and N be a regular open set containing M . Then there exists an \mathcal{I}_{rg} -open set P of X such that $M \subseteq P \subseteq cl^*(P) \subseteq N$. By Lemma 2.24, $M \subseteq int^*(P)$. If $S = int^*(P)$, then S is an $*$ -open set and $M \subseteq S \subseteq cl^*(S) \subseteq cl^*(P) \subseteq N$. Therefore, $M \subseteq S \subseteq cl^*(S) \subseteq N$.

(6) \Rightarrow (7). Let M and N be disjoint regular closed subsets of X . Then $X-N$ is a regular open set containing M . By hypothesis, there exists an $*$ -open set P of X such

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that $M \subseteq P \subseteq \text{cl}^*(P) \subseteq X - N$. If $Q = X - \text{cl}^*(P)$, then P and Q are disjoint $*$ -open sets of X such that $M \subseteq P$ and $N \subseteq Q$.

(7) \Rightarrow (1). Let M and N be disjoint regular closed sets of X . Then there exist disjoint $*$ -open sets P and Q such that $M \subseteq P$ and $N \subseteq Q$. Since \mathcal{I} is completely co-dense, by Lemma 1.1, $\tau^* \subseteq \tau^\alpha$ and so $P, Q \in \tau^\alpha$. Hence $M \subseteq P \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(P))) = S$ and $N \subseteq Q \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(Q))) = T$. S and T are the required disjoint open sets containing M and N respectively. This proves (1).

If $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{N}$, in the above Theorem 2.25, then \mathcal{I}_{rg} -closed sets coincide with rag -closed sets and so we have the following Corollary 2.26.

Corollary 2.26. *Let w be a WS on a space X where $\tau \subseteq w$. Then the following are equivalent.*

- (1) X is mildly normal.
- (2) For disjoint regular closed sets M and N , there exist disjoint $w\alpha g$ -open sets P and Q such that $M \subseteq P$ and $N \subseteq Q$.
- (3) For disjoint regular closed sets M and N , there exist disjoint αg -open sets P and Q such that $M \subseteq P$ and $N \subseteq Q$.
- (4) For disjoint regular closed sets M and N , there exist disjoint rag -open sets P and Q such that $M \subseteq P$ and $N \subseteq Q$.
- (5) For a regular closed set M and a regular open set N containing M , there exists an rag -open set P of X such that $M \subseteq P \subseteq \text{cl}_\alpha(P) \subseteq N$.
- (6) For a regular closed set M and a regular open set N containing M , there exists an α -open set S of X such that $M \subseteq S \subseteq \text{cl}_\alpha(S) \subseteq N$.
- (7) For disjoint regular closed sets M and N , there exist disjoint α -open sets P and Q such that $M \subseteq P$ and $N \subseteq Q$.

If $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ in the above Theorem 2.25, we get the following Corollary 2.27

Corollary 2.27. *Let w be a WS on a space X where $\tau \subseteq w$. Then the following are equivalent.*

- (1) X is mildly normal.
- (2) For disjoint regular closed sets M and N , there exist disjoint wgp -open sets P and Q such that $M \subseteq P$ and $N \subseteq Q$.
- (3) For disjoint regular closed sets M and N , there exist disjoint g -open sets P and Q such that $M \subseteq P$ and $N \subseteq Q$.
- (4) For disjoint regular closed sets M and N , there exist disjoint rg -open sets P and Q such that $M \subseteq P$ and $N \subseteq Q$.
- (5) For a regular closed set M and a regular open set N containing M , there exists an rg -open set P of X such that $M \subseteq P \subseteq cl(P) \subseteq N$.
- (6) For a regular closed set M and a regular open set N containing M , there exists an open set S of X such that $M \subseteq S \subseteq cl(S) \subseteq N$.
- (7) For disjoint regular closed sets M and N , there exist disjoint open sets P and Q such that $M \subseteq P$ and $N \subseteq Q$.

3. \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -regular spaces

Let w be a WS on (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) . Then (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is said to be an \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -regular space if for each pair consisting of a point x and a closed set N not containing x , there exist disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open sets P and Q such that $x \in P$ and $N \subseteq Q$. Every regular space is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -regular, since every open set is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open. The following Example 3.1 shows that an \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -regular space need not be regular. Theorem 3.2 gives a characterization of \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -regular spaces.

Example 3.1. Consider the Example 2.1. Since every subset of $\pi(w)$ is $*$ -closed, every subset of X is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed and so every subset of X is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open. This implies that (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -regular. Now, $\{c\}$ is a closed set not containing $a \in X$, $\{c\}$ and a are not separated by disjoint open sets. So (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is not regular.

Theorem 3.2. Let w be a WS on an ideal space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) with the property C. Then the following are equivalent.

- (1) X is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -regular.

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- (2) For every closed set N not containing $x \in X$, there exist disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open sets P and Q such that $x \in P$ and $N \subseteq Q$.
- (3) For every open set Q containing $x \in X$, there exists an \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open set P of X such that $x \in P \subseteq cl^*(P) \subseteq Q$.

Proof. (1) and (2) are equivalent by the definition.

(2) \Rightarrow (3). Let Q be an open subset such that $x \in Q$. Then $X - Q$ is a closed set not containing x . Therefore, there exist disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open sets P and W such that $x \in P$ and $X - Q \subseteq W$. Now, $X - Q \subseteq W$ implies that $X - Q \subseteq int^*(W)$ and so $X - int^*(W) \subseteq Q$. Again, $P \cap W = \emptyset$ implies that $P \cap int^*(W) = \emptyset$ and so $cl^*(P) \subseteq X - int^*(W)$. Therefore, $x \in P \subseteq cl^*(P) \subseteq Q$. This proves (3).

(3) \Rightarrow (1). Let N be a closed set not containing x . By hypothesis, there exists an \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open set P such that $x \in P \subseteq cl^*(P) \subseteq X - N$. If $W = X - cl^*(P)$, then P and W are disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open sets such that $x \in P$ and $N \subseteq W$. This proves (1).

Theorem 3.3. *Let w be a WS on an ideal space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) with the property C and $\tau \subseteq w$. If (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is an \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -regular, T_1 -space where \mathcal{I} is completely codense, then X is regular.*

Proof. Let N be a closed set not containing $x \in X$. By Theorem 3.2, there exists an \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open set P of X such that $x \in P \subseteq cl^*(P) \subseteq X - N$. Since X is a T_1 -space, $\{x\}$ is closed and $\{x\}^c \in \pi(w)$ and so $\{x\} \subseteq int^*(P)$, by Lemma 1.8. Since \mathcal{I} is completely codense, $\tau^* \subseteq \tau^\alpha$ and so $int^*(P)$ and $X - cl^*(P)$ are α -open sets. Now, $x \in int^*(P) \subseteq int(cl(int(int^*(P)))) = G$ and $N \subseteq X - cl^*(P) \subseteq int(cl(int(X - cl^*(P)))) = H$. Then G and H are disjoint open sets containing x and N respectively. Therefore, X is regular.

If $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{N}$ in Theorem 3.2, then we have the following Corollary 3.4 which gives characterizations of regular spaces, the proof of which follows from Theorem 3.3.

Corollary 3.4. *If w is a WS on a T_1 -space X with the property C and $\tau \subseteq w$, then the following are equivalent.*

- (1) X is regular.
- (2) For every closed set N not containing $x \in X$, there exist disjoint $w\alpha gp$ -open sets P and Q such that $x \in P$ and $N \subseteq Q$.
- (3) For every open set Q containing $x \in X$, there exists an $w\alpha gp$ -open set P of X such that $x \in P \subseteq cl_\alpha(P) \subseteq Q$.

If $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ in Theorem 3.2, then we have the following Corollary 3.5 which gives characterizations of regular spaces.

Corollary 3.5. *If w is a WS on a T_1 -space X with the property C and $\tau \subseteq w$, then the following are equivalent.*

- (1) X is regular.
- (2) For every closed set N not containing $x \in X$, there exist disjoint wgp -open sets P and Q such that $x \in P$ and $N \subseteq Q$.
- (3) For every open set Q containing $x \in X$, there exists a wgp -open set P of X such that $x \in P \subseteq cl(P) \subseteq Q$.

Theorem 3.6. *Let w be a WS on an ideal space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) . If every subset of $\pi(w)$ is \star -closed, then (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -regular.*

Proof. Suppose every subset of $\pi(w)$ is \star -closed. Then by Lemma 1.9, every subset of X is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -closed and hence every subset of X is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open. If N is a closed set not containing x , then $\{x\}$ and N are the required disjoint \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -open sets containing x and N respectively. Therefore, (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -regular.

The following Example 3.7 shows that the reverse direction of the above Theorem 3.6 is not true.

Example 3.7. *Consider the real line \mathcal{R} with the usual topology τ_u . Let $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ and $\tau_u \subseteq w$. Then \mathcal{R} is regular and hence \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -regular. Let $H = (0, 1)$ be an open set and hence $H \in \pi(w)$. Then $cl^*(H) = cl(H) = [0, 1] \neq H$ and consequently H is not \star -closed. Thus the subset H of $\pi(w)$ is not \star -closed.*

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4. conclusion

We introduced and investigated \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -normal and \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -regular spaces. Some examples are given to illustrate the results. Also we discussed wgp -normal and $wgp\mathcal{I}$ -normal. We arrive at some characterizations of \mathcal{I}_{wgp} -regular spaces.

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