

Regularity and normality in ideal bitopological spaces

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Abstract:

We introduce, and study, the regularity and normality in ideal bitopological spaces, absent subject in literature. Our definitions have the advantage of using only the open sets of the two underlying topologies. These new concepts represent generalizations of Kelly's concepts of pairwise regularity and pairwise normality. The extension of the T_{0} , T_1 and T_2 axioms to these spaces is due to Caldas et al.

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1. Introduction and preliminaries

Bitopological spaces were introduced in 1963 by J. Kelly [2], as a tool to systematize the study of quasi-metrics. The study of the axioms of separation in this type of spaces was started by him, and has had important contributions from I. Reilly [7]. Regarding the study of the axioms of separation in ideal bitopological spaces, Caldas, Jafari, Popa and Rajesh, in a joint work of 2010, have defined what refers to the axioms T_0 , T_1 and T_2 . With respect to extensions of the axioms of regularity and normality in these spaces, we have no references.

In this paper we introduce and investigate the pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular spaces, the pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal spaces, the strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular spaces and the strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal spaces, and for this we only use the open sets of the underlying topologies. This is not only more natural but it allows us to work in a simpler way.

An ideal \mathcal{I} in a set X is a subset of $\mathcal{P}(X)$, the power set of X, such that: (i) if $A \subseteq B \subseteq X$ and $B \in \mathcal{I}$ then $A \in \mathcal{I}$, and (ii) if $\{A, B\} \subseteq \mathcal{I}$ then $A \cup B \in \mathcal{I}$.

Some useful ideals in X are: (i) $\mathcal{P}(A)$, where $A \subseteq X$, (ii) $\mathcal{I}_f(X)$, the ideal of all finite subsets of X, (iii) $\mathcal{I}_c(X)$, the ideal of all countable subsets of X and (iv) $\mathcal{I}_n(X)$, the ideal of all nowhere dense sets in a topological space (X, τ) . If \mathcal{I} is an ideal in X and if $f : X \to Y$ is a function, then the set $f(\mathcal{I}) = \{f(I) : I \in \mathcal{I}\}$ is an ideal in Y [3]. Furthermore, if \mathcal{J} is an ideal in Y and if $f : X \to Y$ is an one-one function, then the set $f^{-1}(\mathcal{J}) = \{f^{-1}(J) : J \in \mathcal{J}\}$ is an ideal in X [3]. If \mathcal{J} is an ideal in Y and if $f : X \to Y$ is a function, then the set $\mathcal{I}_{f,\mathcal{J}} = \{A \subseteq X :$ there is a $J \in \mathcal{J}$ with $A \subseteq f^{-1}(J)\}$ is an ideal in X [6]. If \mathcal{I} is an ideal in X and $A \subseteq X$, then the set $\mathcal{I}_A = \{A \cap I : I \in \mathcal{I}\}$ is an ideal in A.

If (X,τ) is a topological space and \mathcal{I} is an ideal in X, then (X,τ,\mathcal{I}) is called an ideal space. If (X,τ) is a topological space and $A \subseteq X$ then the closure and the interior of A are denoted by \overline{A} (or $adh_{\tau}(A)$, or adh(A)) and Å(or $int_{\tau}(A)$, or int(A)), respectively.

An ideal space (X,τ,\mathcal{I}) is said to be \mathcal{I} -compact [3] if for each open cover $\{V_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha\in\Delta}$ of X, there is a finite $\Delta_0 \subseteq \Delta$ such that $X \setminus \bigcup_{\alpha\in\Lambda} V_{\alpha} \in \mathcal{I}$.

Given an ideal space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) and a set $A \subseteq X$, we denote by $A^*(\mathcal{I}) = \{x \in X : U \cap A \notin \mathcal{I}, \text{ for every } U \in \tau \text{ with } x \in U\}$, written simply as A^* when there is no chance for confusion. It is clear that $A^* \subseteq \overline{A}$. A Kuratowski closure operator [8] for a topology $\tau^*(\mathcal{I})$, finer than τ , is defined by

 $Cl^*(A) = A \cup A^*$, for all $A \subseteq X$. When there is no chance for confusion $\tau^*(\mathcal{I})$ is denoted by τ^* . The topology τ^* has as a base $\beta(\tau, \mathcal{I}) = \{V \setminus I : V \in \tau \text{ and } I \in \mathcal{I}\}$ [1].

If \mathcal{I} is an ideal in X and \mathcal{J} is an ideal in Y, then $\mathcal{I} \otimes \mathcal{J}$ [5] is the set of all $D \subseteq X \times Y$ such that there exist $I \in \mathcal{I}$, $A \subseteq X$, $J \in \mathcal{J}$ and $B \subseteq Y$, with $D \subseteq (A \times J) \cup (I \times B)$. It is shown in [5] that $\mathcal{I} \otimes \mathcal{J}$ is an ideal in $X \times Y$.

If $\{X_i : i \in \Lambda\}$ is a collection of sets and if \mathcal{I}_i is an ideal in X_i , for each $i \in \Lambda$, we will denote by $\bigotimes_{i \in \Lambda} \mathcal{I}_i$ the set of all $A \subseteq \prod_{i \in \Lambda} X_i$ such that there exists a finite $\Lambda_0 \subseteq \Lambda$ with $A \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in \Lambda_0} p_i^{-1}(I_i)$, for some $I_i \in \mathcal{I}_i$, for each $i \in \Lambda_0$ [6]. Here p_i represents the *i*-th projection. It is very simple to prove that $\bigotimes_{i \in \Lambda} \mathcal{I}_i$ is an ideal in $\prod_{i \in \Lambda} X_i$.

If τ and β are topologies in a set X, then (X, τ, β) is called a bitopological space [2]. If, in addition, \mathcal{I} is an ideal in X, then $(X, \tau, \beta, \mathcal{I})$ is an ideal bitopological space.

Finally, throughout this work we will use the following topologies in \mathbf{R} : a) $\mathcal{C} = \{\emptyset, \mathbf{R}\} \cup \{(a, \infty) : a \in \mathbf{R}\}, b) \mathcal{L}$ is the (Sorgenfrey) topology of all $V \subseteq \mathbf{R}$ such that, for each $a \in V$, there is a b > a such that $[a, b) \subseteq V$, c) γ is the topology in which the neighborhoods of any nonzero point being as in the usual topology \mathcal{U} , while neighborhoods of 0 will have the form $U \setminus F$, where U is a neighborhood of 0 in \mathcal{U} and $F = \{1/n : n \in \mathbf{Z}^+\}$.

The symbol \Box is used to indicate the end of a proof.

2. Pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular spaces

In this section we introduce our first extension of regularity to ideal bitopological spaces. We present some characterizations and properties of interest. We recall that a bitopological space (X, τ_1, τ_2) is defined to be pairwise regular [2] if for every $i \in \{1, 2\}$, every τ_i -closed set F and $x \in X \setminus F$, there are $U \in \tau_i$ and $V \in \tau_j$, where $j \in \{1, 2\} \setminus \{i\}$, such that $x \in U, F \subseteq V$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$. The concept that we will present here is a generalization of that definition.

Definition 2.1 The ideal bitopological space $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular if, for every $i \in \{1, 2\}$, every τ_i -closed set F and $x \in X \setminus F$, there exist $U \in \tau_i$ and $V \in \tau_j$, where $j \in \{1, 2\} \setminus \{i\}$, such that $x \in U, F \setminus V \in \mathcal{J}$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$.

It is clear that if (X, τ_1, τ_2) is pairwise regular then $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular, and that (X, τ_1, τ_2) is pairwise regular if and only if $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \{\emptyset\})$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular.

Example 2.2 1) The space $(\mathbf{R}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{L}, \mathcal{J})$, where \mathcal{J} is the ideal of all upper bounded subsets of \mathbf{R} , is pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular, because:

a) If F is C-closed and if $a \in \mathbf{R} \setminus F$ then there exists $\alpha < a$ such that $(\alpha, \infty) \subseteq \mathbf{R} \setminus F$. If we do $U = (\frac{\alpha+a}{2}, \infty)$ and $V = (-\infty, \frac{\alpha+a}{2})$ then $U \in \mathcal{C}$, $V \in \mathcal{L}, a \in U, F \setminus V = \emptyset \in \mathcal{J}$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$.

b) If G is \mathcal{L} -closed and if $a \in \mathbf{R} \setminus G$ then there is a b > a such that $[a,b) \subseteq \mathbf{R} \setminus G$. If we do $V = (b,\infty)$ and U = [a,b), then $V \in \mathcal{C}, U \in \mathcal{L}, U \cap V = \emptyset$ and $G \setminus V \in \mathcal{J}$.

However $(\mathbf{R}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{L})$ is not pairwise regular. In fact, the set $G = (-\infty, 0]$ is \mathcal{L} -closed, and if $U \in \mathcal{C}, V \in \mathcal{L}, G \subseteq U$ and $1 \in V$, it is clear that $U = \mathbf{R}$ and so $U \cap V \neq \emptyset$.

2) If $\tau = \{\emptyset, \mathbf{R}\}, \beta = \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{R})$ and if $\mathcal{J} = \mathcal{I}_c(\mathbf{R})$, then $(\mathbf{R}, \tau, \beta, \mathcal{J})$ is not pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular. In fact, the set $F = \mathbf{R} \setminus \{1\}$ is β -closed, and if $U \in \tau$, $V \in \beta, F \setminus U \in \mathcal{J}$ and if $1 \in V$, then the only option is $U = \mathbf{R}$, and so $U \cap V = V \neq \emptyset$.

We will begin by presenting some characterizations of pairwise \mathcal{I} -regularity.

Theorem 2.3 The following propositions are equivalent:

1) The space $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular.

2) For all $i \in \{1, 2\}$, every $W \in \tau_i$ and $x \in W$, there is a $U \in \tau_i$ such that $x \in U$ and $adh_{\tau_i}(U) \setminus W \in \mathcal{I}$, where $j \in \{1, 2\} \setminus \{i\}$.

3) For every $i \in \{1, 2\}$, every τ_i -closed set F and $x \in X \setminus F$, there exist $U \in \tau_i$ such that $x \in U$ and $adh_{\tau_i}(U) \cap F \in \mathcal{I}$.

Proof. 1) \rightarrow 2) Suppose that $i \in \{1, 2\}$, $W \in \tau_i$ and $x \in W$. We can find a $U \in \tau_i$ and a $V \in \tau_j$, where $j \neq i$, such that $x \in U$, $(X \setminus W) \setminus V \in \mathcal{J}$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$. Hence $adh_{\tau_j}(U) \subseteq X \setminus V$ and so $adh_{\tau_j}(U) \setminus W \in \mathcal{J}$. 2) \rightarrow 3) Suppose that $i \in \{1, 2\}$, F is a τ_i -closed set and $x \in X \setminus F$. There is a $U \in \tau_i$ such that $x \in U$ and $adh_{\tau_j}(U) \setminus (X \setminus F) \in \mathcal{J}$, where $j \neq i$. Thus $adh_{\tau_i}(U) \cap F \in \mathcal{J}$.

3) \rightarrow 1) If $i \in \{1,2\}$, F is a τ_i -closed set and $x \in X \setminus F$, there exists $U \in \tau_i$ such that $x \in U$ and $adh_{\tau_j}(U) \cap F \in \mathcal{J}$, where $j \neq i$. Then $F \setminus (X \setminus adh_{\tau_j}(U)) \in \mathcal{J}$, with $U \cap [X \setminus adh_{\tau_j}(U)] = \emptyset$. \Box

Now we will show a relationship between pairwise \mathcal{I} -regularity and compactness.

Theorem 2.4 If the space $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular and if $i \neq j$, then for every τ_i -compact set K and every τ_i -closed set F, with $F \cap K = \emptyset$, there are disjoint $U \in \tau_i$ and $V \in \tau_j$, such that $K \subseteq U$ and $F \setminus V \in \mathcal{J}$.

Proof. Suppose that $i \neq j$, K is a τ_i -compact set, F is a τ_i -closed set and $F \cap K = \emptyset$. For each $x \in K$, there are disjoint $U_x \in \tau_i$ and $V_x \in \tau_j$ such that $x \in U_x$ and $F \setminus V_x \in \mathcal{J}$. There is a finite $K_0 \subseteq K$ such that $K \subseteq U = \bigcup_{x \in K_0} U_x \in \tau_i$. If $V = \bigcap_{x \in K_0} V_x$ then $V \in \tau_j$, $F \setminus V = \bigcup_{x \in K_0} (F \setminus V_x) \in \mathcal{J}$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$. \Box

The next two properties have to do with the products of pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular spaces.

Theorem 2.5 If $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ and $(Y, \beta_1, \beta_2, \mathcal{L})$ are pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular spaces, then $(X \times Y, \tau_1 \times \beta_1, \tau_2 \times \beta_2, \mathcal{J} \otimes \mathcal{L})$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular.

Proof. Suppose that $i \in \{1, 2\}$, $W \in \tau_i \times \beta_i$ and $(a, b) \in W$. There are $U \in \tau_i$ and $V \in \beta_i$ such that $(a, b) \in U \times V \subseteq W$. Now, by Theorem 2.3, there are $U_1 \in \tau_i$ and $V_1 \in \beta_i$ such that $a \in U_1, b \in V_1, adh_{\tau_j}(U_1) \setminus U \in \mathcal{J}$ and $adh_{\beta_j}(V_1) \setminus V \in \mathcal{L}$, where $j \neq i$. Hence $adh_{\tau_j \times \beta_j}(U_1 \times V_1) \setminus W \subseteq [adh_{\tau_j}(U_1) \times adh_{\beta_j}(V_1)] \setminus (U \times V) = [(adh_{\tau_j}(U_1) \setminus U) \times adh_{\beta_j}(V_1)] \cup [adh_{\tau_j}(U_1) \times (adh_{\beta_j}(V_1) \setminus V)]$, and so $adh_{\tau_j \times \beta_j}(U_1 \times V_1) \setminus W \in \mathcal{J} \otimes \mathcal{L}$. Thus $(X \times Y, \tau_1 \times \beta_1, \tau_2 \times \beta_2, \mathcal{J} \otimes \mathcal{L})$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular, by Theorem 2.3. \Box

Theorem 2.6 If $\{(X_{\alpha}, \tau_{1\alpha}, \tau_{2\alpha}, \mathcal{J}_{\alpha}) : \alpha \in \Delta\}$ is a collection of pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular spaces, then $\left(\prod_{\alpha \in \Delta} X_{\alpha}, \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta} \tau_{1\alpha}, \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta} \tau_{2\alpha}, \bigotimes_{\alpha \in \Delta} \mathcal{J}_{\alpha}\right)$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular.

Proof. To begin, we define $X = \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta} X_{\alpha}$, $\tau_1 = \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta} \tau_{1\alpha}$ and $\tau_2 = \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta} \tau_{2\alpha}$. Suppose that $i \in \{1, 2\}$, $W \in \tau_i$ and $a = (a_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Delta} \in W$. There are $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, ..., \alpha_r\} \subseteq \Delta$ and $V_{\alpha_j} \in \tau_{i\alpha_j}$, for each $j \in \{1, 2, ..., r\}$, such that $a \in \bigcap_{j=1}^r p_{\alpha_j}^{-1} \left(V_{\alpha_j}\right) \subseteq W$, where p_{α_j} is the $\alpha_j - th$ projection. If $j \in \{1, 2, ..., r\}$ then $a_{\alpha_j} \in V_{\alpha_j}$, and so, by Theorem 2.3, there is a $U_{\alpha_j} \in \tau_{i\alpha_j}$ such that $a_{\alpha_j} \in U_{\alpha_j}$ and $adh_{\tau_{k\alpha_j}} \left(U_{\alpha_j}\right) \setminus V_{\alpha_j} \in \mathcal{J}_{\alpha_j}$, where $k \in \{1, 2\} \setminus \{i\}$. Now, since each function $p_{\alpha_j} : (X, \tau_i) \to (X_{\alpha_j}, \tau_{i\alpha_j})$ is continuous, we have that $U = \bigcap_{j=1}^r p_{\alpha_j}^{-1} (U_{\alpha_j}) \in \tau_i$. Moreover $a \in \bigcap_{j=1}^r p_{\alpha_j}^{-1} (U_{\alpha_j})$. On the other hand, $adh_{\tau_k} (U) \setminus W \subseteq \bigcap_{j=1}^r adh_{\tau_k} \left(p_{\alpha_j}^{-1} (U_{\alpha_j}) \right) \setminus \bigcap_{j=1}^r p_{\alpha_j}^{-1} (V_{\alpha_j})$ $\subseteq \bigcap_{j=1}^r p_{\alpha_j}^{-1} \left(adh_{\tau_{k\alpha_j}} (U_{\alpha_j}) \right) \setminus \bigcap_{j=1}^r p_{\alpha_j}^{-1} (V_{\alpha_j}) \subseteq \bigcup_{j=1}^r \left[p_{\alpha_j}^{-1} \left(adh_{\tau_{k\alpha_j}} (U_{\alpha_j}) \setminus V_{\alpha_j} \right) \right]$ and so $adh_{\tau_k} (U) \setminus W \in \bigotimes_{\alpha \in \Delta} \mathcal{J}_{\alpha}$, because $p_{\alpha_j}^{-1} \left(adh_{\tau_{k\alpha_j}} (U_{\alpha_j}) \setminus V_{\alpha_j} \right) \in \bigotimes_{\alpha \in \Delta} \mathcal{J}_{\alpha}$, for each $j \in \{1, 2.., r\}$. By Theorem 2.3, $\left(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \bigotimes_{\alpha \in \Delta} \mathcal{J}_{\alpha} \right)$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular. \Box

In the three theorems that follow we will present some functional properties of pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular spaces.

Theorem 2.7 If for each $i \in \{1, 2\}$ we have that $f : (X, \tau_i) \to (Y, \beta_i)$ is a continuous, open, closed and surjective function, and if $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular, then the space $(Y, \beta_1, \beta_2, f(\mathcal{J}))$ pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular.

Proof. Suppose that $i \in \{1,2\}$, $W \in \beta_i$ and that $f(a) \in W$. Since $a \in f^{-1}(W)$ and $f^{-1}(W) \in \tau_i$, there exists $U \in \tau_i$ such that $a \in U$ and $adh_{\tau_j}(U) \setminus f^{-1}(W) \in \mathcal{J}$, where $j \neq i$. Hence $f\left[adh_{\tau_j}(U) \setminus f^{-1}(W)\right] \in f(\mathcal{J})$. If we now consider that f is continuous, closed and surjective, thus $adh_{\beta_j}(f(U)) \setminus W = f\left(adh_{\tau_j}(U)\right) \setminus W = f\left(adh_{\tau_j}(U)\right) \setminus f(f^{-1}(W)) \subseteq f\left[adh_{\tau_j}(U) \setminus f^{-1}(W)\right]$, and so $adh_{\beta_j}(f(U)) \setminus W \in f(\mathcal{J})$, with $f(U) \in \beta_i$ and $f(a) \in f(U)$. Theorem 2.3 implies that $(Y, \beta_1, \beta_2, f(\mathcal{J}))$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular. \Box

Theorem 2.8 If for each $i \in \{1, 2\}$ have that $f : (X, \tau_i) \to (Y, \beta_i)$ is a continuous, closed and injective function, and if $(Y, \beta_1, \beta_2, \mathcal{L})$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular, then the space $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, f^{-1}(\mathcal{L}))$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular.

Proof. Suppose that $i \in \{1, 2\}$, F is a τ_i -closed set and that $a \in X \setminus F$. Given that $f(a) \notin f(F)$ and f(F) is β_i -closed, there are disjoint $W \in \beta_i$ and $T \in \beta_j$, where $j \neq i$, such that $f(a) \in W$ and $f(F) \setminus T \in \mathcal{L}$. This implies that $a \in f^{-1}(W)$, $F \setminus f^{-1}(T) \in f^{-1}(\mathcal{L})$, $f^{-1}(W) \in \tau_i$, $f^{-1}(T) \in \tau_j$ and $f^{-1}(W) \cap f^{-1}(T) = \emptyset$. \Box

Definition 2.9 If (X, τ_1, τ_2) and (Y, β_1, β_2) are bitopological spaces, then a function $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Y, \beta_1, \beta_2)$ is said to be pairwise perfect if, for each $i \in \{1, 2\}, f : (X, \tau_i) \to (Y, \beta_i)$ is a continuous, closed and surjective and if, for each $y \in Y, f^{-1}(\{y\})$ is compact in (X, τ_i) .

Theorem 2.10 If $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Y, \beta_1, \beta_2)$ is pairwise perfect, and if \mathcal{L} is an ideal in Y such that $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}_{f,\mathcal{L}})$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular, then $(Y, \beta_1, \beta_2, \mathcal{L})$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular space.

Proof. Suppose that $i \in \{1, 2\}$, H is a β_i -closed set and that $b = f(a) \in Y \setminus H$. Since $f^{-1}(\{b\})$ is τ_i -compact, $f^{-1}(H)$ is τ_i -closed and $f^{-1}(\{b\}) \cap f^{-1}(H) = \emptyset$, Theorem 2.4 implies that there are $U \in \tau_i$ and $V \in \tau_j$, where $j \neq i$, such that $f^{-1}(\{b\}) \subseteq U$, $f^{-1}(H) \setminus V \in \mathcal{I}_{f,\mathcal{L}}$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$. There exists $L \in \mathcal{L}$ with $f^{-1}(H) \setminus V \subseteq f^{-1}(L)$. In this way we obtain that: $f^{-1}(H) \subseteq V \cup f^{-1}(L)$, $(X \setminus V) \cap f^{-1}(Y \setminus L) \subseteq f^{-1}(Y \setminus H)$, $f[(X \setminus V) \cap f^{-1}(Y \setminus L)] \subseteq Y \setminus H$, $H \subseteq Y \setminus f[(X \setminus V) \setminus f^{-1}(L)] \subseteq Y \setminus [f(X \setminus V) \setminus L] = [Y \setminus f(X \setminus V)] \cup L$, and this implies that $H \setminus [Y \setminus f(X \setminus V)] \subseteq L$. Thus $H \setminus [Y \setminus f(X \setminus V)] \in \beta_j$. Given that f is surjective, $[Y \setminus f(X \setminus U)] \cap [Y \setminus f(X \setminus V)] = \emptyset$. \Box

We will end this section by showing two properties of pairwise \mathcal{I} -regularity, related to τ^* topologies.

If τ is a topology in X, the collection of all closed sets in (X, τ) is a base for a topology τ^c in X. If, moreover, \mathcal{J} is an ideal in X then the set $\tau \cup \mathcal{J}$ is a base for a topology $\tau \oplus \mathcal{J}$ in X, finer than τ [5]. Another base for $\tau \oplus \mathcal{J}$ is the set $\{V \cup J : V \in \tau \text{ and } J \in \mathcal{J}\}.$

Theorem 2.11 If (X, τ, \mathcal{J}) an ideal space, then $(X, \tau^*, (\tau^c)^*, \mathcal{J})$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular.

Proof. a) If F is τ^* -closed and if $a \in X \setminus F$ then there exist $V \in \tau$ and $J \in \mathcal{J}$, such that $a \in V \setminus J \subseteq X \setminus F$. So $a \in V$, $V \in \tau^*$, $V \cap (F \setminus J) = \emptyset$, $F \setminus J \in (\tau^c)^*$ and $F \setminus (F \setminus J) = F \cap J \in \mathcal{J}$.

b) If G is $(\tau^c)^*$ -closed and if $b \in X \setminus G$ then there are $T \in \tau^c$ and $L \in \mathcal{J}$, such that $b \in T \setminus L \subseteq X \setminus G$. Now, there is a $W \in \tau$ such that $b \in X \setminus W \subseteq T$. Hence $(X \setminus W) \setminus L \subseteq X \setminus G$, and so $G \setminus W \subseteq L$. In this way $G \setminus W \in \mathcal{J}$ and $b \in X \setminus W$, with $W \in \tau^*$ and $X \setminus W \in (\tau^c)^*$. \Box

Theorem 2.12 If (X, τ, \mathcal{J}) an ideal space, then $(X, \tau^* \oplus \mathcal{J}, ((\tau^*)^c)^*, \mathcal{J})$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular.

Proof. a) If F is $(\tau^* \oplus \mathcal{J})$ -closed and if $a \in X \setminus F$, then there exist $T \in \tau^*$ and $J \in \mathcal{J}$ such that $a \in T \cup J \subseteq X \setminus F$. *i*) Suppose that $a \in J$. We have that $J \in \tau^* \oplus \mathcal{J}$, $F \setminus [(X \setminus T) \setminus J] = \emptyset \in \mathcal{J}$, $(X \setminus T) \setminus J \in ((\tau^*)^c)^*$ and $J \cap [(X \setminus T) \setminus J] = \emptyset$. *ii*) Suppose that $a \in T$. There are $V \in \tau$ and $I \in \mathcal{J}$ such that $a \in V \setminus I \subseteq T$. In this way $(V \setminus I) \cup J \subseteq T \cup J \subseteq X \setminus F$, and so $F \setminus [(X \setminus V) \setminus J] \subseteq I \setminus J$. This implies that $F \setminus [(X \setminus V) \setminus J] \in \mathcal{J}$. Moreover $(X \setminus V) \setminus J \in (\tau^c)^* \subseteq ((\tau^*)^c)^*$, $V \setminus I \in \tau^* \oplus \mathcal{J}$ and $(V \setminus I) \cap [(X \setminus V) \setminus J] = \emptyset$. b) If G is $((\tau^*)^c)^*$ -closed and if $a \in X \setminus G$, then there are $T \in (\tau^*)^c$ and $J \in \mathcal{J}$ such that $a \in T \setminus J \subseteq X \setminus G$. Now, there exists $R \in \tau^*$ with $a \in X \setminus R \subseteq T$. Note that $X \setminus R \in (\tau^*)^c \subseteq ((\tau^*)^c)^*$. On the other hand, since $(X \setminus R) \setminus J \subseteq X \setminus G$ we have that $G \setminus R \subseteq J$, and so $G \setminus R \in \mathcal{J}$. Moreover $R \in \tau^* \oplus \mathcal{J}$. \Box

3. Pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal spaces

In this section we introduce our first extension of normality to ideal bitopological spaces. We recall that a bitopological space (X, τ_1, τ_2) is defined to be pairwise normal [2] if for any disjoint pair of a τ_i -closed set F and a τ_j -closed set G, with $i \neq j$, there are disjoint $U \in \tau_j$ and $V \in \tau_i$ such that $F \subseteq U$ and $G \subseteq V$. Our concept is a generalization of that definition.

Definition 3.1 The ideal bitopological space $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is said to be pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal if for each τ_i -closed set F, each τ_j -closed set G, with $i \neq j$ and $F \cap G = \emptyset$, there are disjoint $U \in \tau_j$ and $V \in \tau_i$ such that $F \setminus U \in \mathcal{J}$ and $G \setminus V \in \mathcal{J}$.

It is clear that if (X, τ_1, τ_2) is pairwise normal then $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal, and that (X, τ_1, τ_2) is pairwise normal if and only if $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \{\emptyset\})$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal. It is also clear that if $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal and A is a τ_i -closed subset of X, for each $i \in \{1, 2\}$, then $(A, (\tau_1)_A, (\tau_2)_A, \mathcal{J}_A)$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal.

Example 3.2 1) The space $(\mathbf{R}, \mathcal{C}, \gamma, \mathcal{J})$, where \mathcal{J} is the ideal of all upper bounded subsets of \mathbf{R} , is pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal because if F is a nonempty \mathcal{C} -closed set, G is a nonempty γ -closed set and if $F \cap G = \emptyset$, then there is a $a \in \mathbf{R}$ such that $F = (-\infty, a]$. If we do $U = (-\infty, a)$ and $V = (a, \infty)$ then $G \setminus V \in \mathcal{J}, F \setminus U \in \mathcal{J}, U \in \gamma, V \in \mathcal{C}$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$.

However $(\mathbf{R}, \mathcal{C}, \gamma)$ is not pairwise normal given that if we consider the \mathcal{C} -closed set $F = (-\infty, 0]$ and the γ -closed set $G = \left\{\frac{1}{n} : n \in Z^+\right\}$ then, for

each $U \in \gamma$ and $V \in \mathcal{C}$, if $F \subseteq U$ and $G \subseteq V$, then $U \cap V \neq \emptyset$.

2) If $\mathcal{P}_f(\mathbf{R}\backslash\mathbf{Q})$ is the set of all finite subsets of $\mathbf{R}\backslash\mathbf{Q}$, then the space $(\mathbf{R}, \mathcal{C}, \gamma, \mathcal{P}_f(\mathbf{R}\backslash\mathbf{Q}))$ is not pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal. Consider the \mathcal{C} -closed set $F = (-\infty, 0]$ and the γ -closed set $G = \{1/n : n \in \mathbf{Z}^+\}$. If $V \in \mathcal{C}$ and $G\backslash V \in \mathcal{P}_f(\mathbf{R}\backslash\mathbf{Q})$ then the only option is that $G \subseteq V$, and this implies that $(0, \infty) \subseteq V$. Now, if $U \in \gamma$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$, we have that $U \subseteq (-\infty, 0]$. Since $U \in \gamma$ then $0 \in \mathbf{R}\backslash U$, and so $F\backslash U \notin \mathcal{P}_f(\mathbf{R}\backslash\mathbf{Q})$.

In the following theorem we present some characterizations of pairwise \mathcal{I} -normality.

Theorem 3.3 The following propositions are equivalent: 1) The space $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal. 2) For each $i \neq j$, if F is τ_i -closed, $W \in \tau_j$ and $F \subseteq W$, then there are $U \in \tau_j$ and a τ_i -closed set G, such that $F \setminus U \in \mathcal{J}$, $U \subseteq G$ and $G \setminus W \in \mathcal{J}$. 3) For each $i \neq j$, if F is τ_i -closed, $W \in \tau_j$ and $F \subseteq W$, then there is a $U \in \tau_j$ such that $\{F \setminus U, adh_{\tau_i}(U) \setminus W\} \subseteq \mathcal{J}$. 4) For each $i \neq j$, if F is τ_i -closed and $F \cap G = \emptyset$, then there is a $U \in \tau_j$ such that $\{F \setminus U, adh_{\tau_i}(U) \cap G\} \subseteq \mathcal{J}$.

Proof. 1) \rightarrow 2) Suppose that $i \neq j$, F is τ_i -closed, $W \in \tau_j$ and $F \subseteq W$. There are $U \in \tau_j$ and $V \in \tau_i$ such that $F \setminus U \in \mathcal{J}$, $(X \setminus W) \setminus V \in \mathcal{J}$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$. Hence $U \subseteq X \setminus V$ and $(X \setminus V) \setminus W \in \mathcal{J}$.

2) \rightarrow 3) Suppose that $i \neq j$, F is τ_i -closed, $W \in \tau_j$ and $F \subseteq W$. There are $U \in \tau_j$ and a τ_i -closed set G such that $F \setminus U \in \mathcal{J}, U \subseteq G$ and $G \setminus W \in \mathcal{J}$. Thus $adh_{\tau_i}(U) \subseteq G$ and so $adh_{\tau_i}(U) \setminus W \in \mathcal{J}$.

3) \rightarrow 4) If $i \neq j$, F is a τ_i -closed set, G is a τ_j -closed set and $F \cap G = \emptyset$, then there is a $U \in \tau_j$ such that $F \setminus U \in \mathcal{J}$ and $adh_{\tau_i}(U) \setminus (X \setminus G) \in \mathcal{J}$. Then $adh_{\tau_i}(U) \cap G \in \mathcal{J}$.

4) \rightarrow 1) If $i \neq j$, F is a τ_i -closed set, G is a τ_j -closed set and $F \cap G = \emptyset$, there exists $U \in \tau_j$ such that $\{F \setminus U, adh_{\tau_i}(U) \cap G\} \subseteq \mathcal{J}$. In consequence $G \setminus (X \setminus adh_{\tau_i}(U)) \in \mathcal{J}$. \Box

Some functional properties of pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal spaces will be shown in the following two theorems.

Theorem 3.4 Suppose that, for each $i \in \{1,2\}$, $f : (X,\tau_i) \to (Y,\beta_i)$ is a continuous, closed and surjective function, that \mathcal{J} is an ideal in Y and that $(X,\tau_1,\tau_2,\mathcal{I}_{f,\mathcal{J}})$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal. Then $(Y,\beta_1,\beta_2,\mathcal{J})$ is a pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal space.

Proof. If H is a β_i -closed set, K is a β_j -closed set, with $i \neq j$ and $H \cap K = \emptyset$, there are disjoint $U \in \tau_j$ and $V \in \tau_i$ such that $\{f^{-1}(H) \setminus U, f^{-1}(K) \setminus V\}$ $\subseteq \mathcal{I}_{f,\mathcal{J}}$. There is a $I \in \mathcal{J}$ with $f^{-1}(H) \setminus U \subseteq f^{-1}(I)$. Thus $f^{-1}(H \setminus I) \subseteq U$, $X \setminus U \subseteq f^{-1}[(Y \setminus H) \cup I], f(X \setminus U) \subseteq (Y \setminus H) \cup I, H \setminus I \subseteq Y \setminus f(X \setminus U)$, and so $H \setminus [Y \setminus f(X \setminus U)] \subseteq I$. This implies that $H \setminus [Y \setminus f(X \setminus U)] \in \mathcal{J}$. Similarly we obtain that $K \setminus [Y \setminus f(X \setminus V)] \in \mathcal{J}$. Moreover $Y \setminus f(X \setminus U) \in \beta_j, Y \setminus f(X \setminus V)$ $\in \beta_i$ and $[Y \setminus f(X \setminus U)] \cap [Y \setminus f(X \setminus V)] = \emptyset$, because f is surjective and $U \cap V = \emptyset$. \Box

Theorem 3.5 If $(Y, \beta_1, \beta_2, \mathcal{L})$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal and if, for each $i \in \{1, 2\}$, $f : (X, \tau_i) \to (Y, \beta_i)$ is a continuous, closed and injective function, then $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is a pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal space, for each ideal \mathcal{J} in X with $f^{-1}(\mathcal{L}) \subseteq \mathcal{J}$.

Proof. If F is a τ_i -closed set, G is a τ_j -closed set, with $i \neq j$ and $F \cap G = \emptyset$, then there are disjoint $U \in \beta_j$ and $V \in \beta_i$ such that $\{f(F) \setminus U, f(G) \setminus V\} \subseteq \mathcal{L}$. Hence $\{F \setminus f^{-1}(U), G \setminus f^{-1}(V)\} \subseteq f^{-1}(\mathcal{L}) \subseteq \mathcal{J}, f^{-1}(U) \in \tau_j, f^{-1}(V) \in \tau_i \text{ and } f^{-1}(U) \cap f^{-1}(V) = \emptyset$. \Box

Now we show a condition under which a pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular space is a pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal space.

Definition 3.6 The subset F of the space $(X, \tau, \beta, \mathcal{J})$ is said to be \mathcal{P} compact if for each cover $\{V_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta\} \subseteq \tau \cup \beta$ of F, there exists a finite $\Delta_0 \subseteq \Delta$ such that $F \setminus \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta_0} V_{\alpha} \in \mathcal{J}$. The space $(X, \tau, \beta, \mathcal{J})$ is defined to
said \mathcal{P} -compact if X is \mathcal{P} -compact.

It is clear that if $(X, \tau, \beta, \mathcal{J})$ is \mathcal{P} -compact, then (X, τ, \mathcal{J}) and (X, β, \mathcal{J}) are \mathcal{I} -compact. Moreover, it is easy to see that if $(X, \tau, \beta, \mathcal{J})$ is \mathcal{P} -compact and $X \setminus F \in \tau \cup \beta$, then F is \mathcal{P} -compact.

Example 3.7 1) If $\mathcal{J} = \{A \subseteq \mathbf{R} : A \text{ is upper bounded}\}$ then it is easy to see that the space $(\mathbf{R}, \mathcal{C}, C_f, \mathcal{J})$ is \mathcal{P} -compact, where C_f is the cofinite topology.

2) The sets $\tau_1 = \{A \subseteq \mathbf{Z} : \text{the proposition } 0 \in A \Rightarrow 2\mathbf{Z} \subseteq A \text{ is true and} \\ \tau_2 = \{A \subseteq \mathbf{Z} : \text{the proposition } 1 \in A \Rightarrow 2\mathbf{Z} \subseteq A \text{ is true}\} \text{ are topologies in } \\ \mathbf{Z}, \text{ where } 2\mathbf{Z} \text{ is the set of even integers. Note that if } A \subseteq \mathbf{Z} \text{ and } 0 \notin A \\ \text{then } A \in \tau_1, \text{ and that if } B \subseteq \mathbf{Z} \text{ and } 1 \notin B \text{ then } B \in \tau_2. \text{ If } \mathcal{J} = \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{Z} \setminus 2\mathbf{Z}), \\ \text{then } (\mathbf{Z}, \tau_1, \mathcal{J}) \text{ and } (\mathbf{Z}, \tau_2, \mathcal{J}) \text{ are } \mathcal{I}\text{-compact. On the other hand, it is clear} \\ \text{that, for each } n \in \mathbf{Z}, A_n = \{2n+1\} \in \tau_1, \text{ and } B_n = \{2n\} \in \tau_2. \text{ Then} \end{cases}$

$$\mathbf{Z} = \left(\bigcup_{n \in \mathbf{Z}} A_n\right) \cup \left(\bigcup_{n \in \mathbf{Z}} B_n\right), \text{ but there are no finite } \mathbf{Z}_0 \subseteq \mathbf{Z} \text{ and } \mathbf{Z}_1 \subseteq \mathbf{Z}$$

such that $\mathbf{Z} \setminus \left[\left(\bigcup_{n \in \mathbf{Z}_0} A_n\right) \cup \left(\bigcup_{n \in \mathbf{Z}_1} B_n\right) \right] \in \mathcal{J}.$ Hence $(\mathbf{Z}, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is not \mathcal{P} -compact.

Theorem 3.8 If $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is a pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular and \mathcal{P} -compact space, then $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal.

Proof. Suppose that F is a τ_i -closed set, G is a τ_j -closed set, with $i \neq j$ and $F \cap G = \emptyset$. For each $f \in F$ there are disjoint $U_f \in \tau_j$ and $V_f \in \tau_i$, such that $f \in U_f$, and $G \setminus V_f \in \mathcal{J}$. Given that $F \subseteq \bigcup_{f \in F} U_f$ and F is \mathcal{P} -compact, there is a finite $F_0 \subseteq F$ with $F \setminus \bigcup_{f \in F_0} U_f \in \mathcal{J}$. If we do $U = \bigcup_{f \in F_0} U_f$ and V $= \bigcap_{f \in F_0} V_f$ then $F \setminus U \in \mathcal{J}$ and $G \setminus V = \bigcup_{f \in F_0} (G \setminus V_f) \in \mathcal{J}$. Moreover $U \in \tau_j$, $V \in \tau_i$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$. \Box

We end this section to showing a property of pairwise \mathcal{I} -normality, related to $\tau \oplus \mathcal{J}$ topologies. Suppose that (X, τ, \mathcal{J}) is an ideal space. Let $\mathcal{J}^{\otimes} = \mathcal{P}\left(\bigcup_{J \in \mathcal{J}} J\right)$ be. Note that $\mathcal{J} \subseteq \mathcal{J}^{\otimes}$ and that $\tau \oplus \mathcal{J} = \tau \oplus \mathcal{J}^{\otimes} =$ $\{V \cup I : V \in \tau \text{ and } I \in \mathcal{J}^{\otimes}\}.$

Theorem 3.9 If the space $(X, \tau \oplus \mathcal{J}, \beta \oplus \mathcal{J}, \mathcal{J})$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal, then the space $(X, \tau, \beta, \mathcal{J}^{\otimes})$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal. So, if $(X, \tau \oplus \mathcal{J}, \beta \oplus \mathcal{J})$ is pairwise normal, then $(X, \tau, \beta, \mathcal{J}^{\otimes})$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal.

Proof. Suppose that F is τ -closed, G is β -closed and $F \cap G = \emptyset$. Since F is $(\tau \oplus \mathcal{J})$ -closed and G is $(\beta \oplus \mathcal{J})$ -closed, there are disjoint $W \in \beta \oplus \mathcal{J}$ and $T \in \tau \oplus \mathcal{J}$ such that $F \setminus W \in \mathcal{J}$ and $G \setminus T \in \mathcal{J}$. Now, there exist $\{I_1, I_2\} \subseteq \mathcal{J}^{\otimes}$, $W_1 \in \beta$ and $T_1 \in \tau$ such that $W = W_1 \cup I_1$ and $T = T_1 \cup I_2$. Thus $(F \setminus W_1) \setminus I_1 \in \mathcal{J}$ and $(G \setminus T_1) \setminus I_2 \in \mathcal{J}$, and in this way $\{F \setminus W_1, G \setminus T_1\} \subseteq \mathcal{J}^{\otimes}$, with $W_1 \cap T_1 = \emptyset$. \Box

4. Strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular spaces

We recall that a bitopological space (X, τ_1, τ_2) is strongly pairwise regular [4] if for each $i \in \{1, 2\}$, if F is τ_i -closed and $x \in X \setminus F$, then there are disjoint $V \in \tau_i$ and $U \in \tau_j$, with $j \neq i$, such that $F \subseteq int_{\tau_i}(U)$ and $x \in V$. Our purpose for this section is to present a generalization of this concept through ideals.

Definition 4.1 The ideal bitopological space $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is said to be strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular if for each $i \in \{1, 2\}$, if F is τ_i -closed and $x \in X \setminus F$, then there are disjoint $V \in \tau_i$ and $U \in \tau_j$, with $j \neq i$, such that $F \setminus int_{\tau_i}(U) \in \mathcal{J}$ and $x \in V$.

Example 4.2 1) The space $(\mathbf{R}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{L}, \mathcal{J})$, where \mathcal{J} is the ideal of all upper bounded subsets of \mathbf{R} , is strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular, because:

a) If F is C-closed and $a \in \mathbf{R} \setminus F$, there is a $\alpha < a$ such that $(\alpha, \infty) \subseteq \mathbf{R} \setminus F$. If we do $U = \left(\frac{\alpha+a}{2}, \infty\right)$ and $V = \left(-\infty, \frac{\alpha+a}{2}\right)$, then $U \in \mathcal{C}, V \in \mathcal{L}, a \in U$, $F \setminus int_{\mathcal{C}}(V) = F \in \mathcal{J}$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$.

b) If F is \mathcal{L} -closed and $a \in \mathbf{R} \setminus F$, there exists b > a such that $F \subseteq \mathbf{R} \setminus [a, b)$. If we do $U = (b, \infty)$ and V = [a, b), then $U \in \mathcal{C}, V \in \mathcal{L}, a \in V, F \setminus int_{\mathcal{L}}(U) = F \setminus U \in \mathcal{J}$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$.

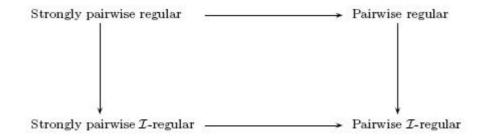
However, the space $(\mathbf{R}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{L})$ is not strongly pairwise regular since there are no disjoint $U \in \mathcal{L}$ and $V \in \mathcal{C}$ such that $(-\infty, 0] \subseteq int_{\mathcal{C}}(U)$ and $1 \in V$. **2)** Suppose that $X = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}, \tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{0, 1, 2\}, \{2, 3, 4\}, \{2\}\}, \beta = \{\emptyset, X, \{3\}, \{0, 1\}, \{0, 1, 3\}\}$ and $\mathcal{J} = \{\emptyset, \{3\}, \{4\}, \{3, 4\}\}$, then it is easy to check that $(X, \tau, \beta, \mathcal{J})$ is a pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular space. On the other hand, this space is not strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular given that $G = \{0, 1, 2, 4\}$ is a β -closed set and $3 \in X \setminus G$, but if $U \in \tau, V \in \beta, 3 \in V$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$, then the only options are as follows:

a) $U = \emptyset$ and $V = \{3\}$, or $U = \emptyset$ and $V = \{0, 1, 3\}$. In this cases $G \setminus int_{\beta}(U) = G \notin \mathcal{J}$.

b) $U = \{0, 1, 2\}$ and $V = \{3\}$. In this case $G \setminus int_{\beta}(U) = \{2, 4\} \notin \mathcal{J}$.

c) $U = \{2\}$ and $V = \{3\}$, or $U = \{2\}$ and $V = \{0, 1, 3\}$. In this cases $G \setminus int_{\beta}(U) = G \notin \mathcal{J}$.

Thus we have the following diagram, where all the implications are not revertible.



A couple of characterizations of strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular spaces will be shown in the next two theorems.

Theorem 4.3 The space $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular if, and only if, for each $i \in \{1, 2\}$, $U \in \tau_i$, and $x \in U$, there are $W \in \tau_i$ and $X \setminus C \in \tau_j$, with $j \neq i$, such that $x \in W \subseteq C$ and $adh_{\tau_i}(C) \setminus U \in \mathcal{J}$.

Proof. (\rightarrow) Suppose that $i \in \{1, 2\}$, $U \in \tau_i$ and $x \in U$. Since $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular, there are disjoint sets $W \in \tau_i$ and $V \in \tau_j$, with $i \neq j$, such that $x \in W$ and $(X \setminus U) \setminus int_{\tau_i}(V) \in \mathcal{J}$. Thus $W \subseteq X \setminus V$ and $adh_{\tau_i}(X \setminus V) \setminus U = (X \setminus U) \setminus int_{\tau_i}(V) \in \mathcal{J}$.

(←) Suppose that $i \in \{1, 2\}$, $X \setminus F \in \tau_i$ and $x \in X \setminus F$. Our hypothesis implies that, if $j \neq i$, there are $W \in \tau_i$ and $X \setminus C \in \tau_j$ such that $x \in W \subseteq C$ and $adh_{\tau_i}(C) \setminus (X \setminus F) \in \mathcal{J}$. So, $F \setminus int_{\tau_i}(X \setminus C) \in \mathcal{J}$ and $W \cap (X \setminus C) = \emptyset$. □

Theorem 4.4 The space $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular if, and only if, for each $i \in \{1, 2\}$, $U \in \tau_i$, and $x \in U$, there is a $W \in \tau_i$ such that $x \in W$ and $adh_{\tau_i}(adh_{\tau_j}(W)) \setminus U \in \mathcal{J}$, where $j \neq i$.

Proof. (\rightarrow) Suppose that $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular, $i \in \{1, 2\}, U \in \tau_i \text{ and } x \in U$. By Theorem 4.3, there are $W \in \tau_i$ and $X \setminus C \in \tau_j$, with $j \neq i$, such that $x \in W \subseteq C$ and $adh_{\tau_i}(C) \setminus U \in \mathcal{J}$. Since $adh_{\tau_j}(W) \subseteq C$ then $adh_{\tau_i}(adh_{\tau_j}(W)) \subseteq adh_{\tau_i}(C)$. Consequently $adh_{\tau_i}(adh_{\tau_j}(W)) \setminus U \in \mathcal{J}$.

 $(\leftarrow) \text{ If } i \in \{1,2\}, X \setminus F \in \tau_i \text{ and } x \in X \setminus F, \text{ then there is a } W \in \tau_i \text{ such}$ that $x \in W$ and $adh_{\tau_i} \left(adh_{\tau_j} \left(W \right) \right) \setminus (X \setminus F) \in \mathcal{J}.$ Hence $F \setminus int_{\tau_i} \left(X \setminus adh_{\tau_j} \left(W \right) \right)$ $\in \mathcal{J}$. Moreover $W \cap (X \setminus adh_{\tau_j}(W)) = \emptyset$. In this way $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is a strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular space. \Box

Here a relationship between strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regularity and compactness.

Theorem 4.5 If the space $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular then, for all $i \in \{1, 2\}$, if $X \setminus F \in \tau_i$ and K is compact in (X, τ_i) , with $F \cap K = \emptyset$, then there are disjoint $W \in \tau_i$ and $V \in \tau_j$, with $j \neq i$, such that $K \subseteq W$ and $F \setminus int_{\tau_i}(V) \in \mathcal{J}$.

Proof. Suppose that $i \in \{1, 2\}$, $X \setminus F \in \tau_i$, K is compact in (X, τ_i) and $F \cap K = \emptyset$. For each $x \in K$, there are disjoint $W_x \in \tau_i$ and $V_x \in \tau_j$, with $j \neq i$, such that $x \in W_x$ and $F \setminus int_{\tau_i}(V_x) \in \mathcal{J}$. Given that K is compact in (X, τ_i) , there is a finite $K_0 \subseteq K$ such that $K \subseteq W = \bigcup_{x \in K_0} W_x$. If we do $V = \bigcap_{x \in K_0} V_x$ then $V \cap W = \emptyset$ and $F \setminus int_{\tau_i}(V) = \bigcup_{x \in K_0} (F \setminus int_{\tau_i}(V_x)) \in \mathcal{J}$.

Next three theorems show us some functional properties of strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular spaces.

Theorem 4.6 If for each $i \in \{1, 2\}$ the function $f : (X, \tau_i) \to (Y, \beta_i)$ is continuous, open, closed and surjective, and if $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular, then the space $(Y, \beta_1, \beta_2, f(\mathcal{J}))$ is strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular.

Proof. If $i \in \{1,2\}$, $Y \setminus G \in \beta_i$ and $b = f(a) \in Y \setminus G$ then there are $J \in \mathcal{J}$ and disjoint $W \in \tau_i$ and $V \in \tau_j$, with $j \neq i$, such that $a \in W$ and $f^{-1}(G) \setminus int_{\tau_i}(V) = J$. If we do $T = int_{\tau_i}(V) \cup J$, then $f^{-1}(G) \subseteq T$ and so $G \subseteq Y \setminus f(X \setminus T) = Y \setminus f[adh_{\tau_i}(X \setminus V) \setminus J] \subseteq Y \setminus [f(adh_{\tau_i}(X \setminus V)) \setminus f(J)] = [Y \setminus f(adh_{\tau_i}(X \setminus V))] \cup f(J) = [Y \setminus adh_{\beta_i}(f(X \setminus V))] \cup f(J)$, because $f: (X, \tau_i) \to (Y, \beta_i)$ is closed and continuous. In this way $G \setminus int_{\beta_i}[Y \setminus f(X \setminus V)] \subseteq f(J)$. Thus $G \setminus int_{\beta_i}[Y \setminus f(X \setminus V)] \in f(\mathcal{J})$. Furthermore, since $W \subseteq X \setminus V$, we have that $Y \setminus f[X \setminus V] \subseteq Y \setminus f(W)$, and so $f(W) \cap [Y \setminus f[X \setminus V]] = \emptyset$. \Box

Theorem 4.7 If $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Y, \beta_1, \beta_2)$ is pairwise perfect, and if \mathcal{L} is an ideal in Y such that $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}_{f,\mathcal{L}})$ is a strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular space, then $(Y, \beta_1, \beta_2, \mathcal{L})$ is strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular.

Proof. Suppose that $i \in \{1, 2\}$, $Y \setminus G \in \beta_i$ and $b \in Y \setminus G$. Since, in (X, τ_i) , $f^{-1}(\{b\})$ is compact and $f^{-1}(G)$ is closed, and $f^{-1}(\{b\}) \cap f^{-1}(G) = \emptyset$, there are disjoint $W \in \tau_i$ and $V \in \tau_j$, with $j \neq i$, such that $f^{-1}(\{b\}) \subseteq W$ and $f^{-1}(G) \setminus int_{\tau_i}(V) \in \mathcal{I}_{f,\mathcal{L}}$, by Theorem 4.5. Hence $b \in Y \setminus f(X \setminus W)$ and there is a $L \in \mathcal{L}$ such that $f^{-1}(G) \setminus int_{\tau_i}(V) \subseteq f^{-1}(L)$. Proceeding as in the proof of Theorem 2.10, we obtain that $G \setminus [Y \setminus f(X \setminus int_{\tau_i}(V))] \subseteq L$. But $Y \setminus f(X \setminus int_{\tau_i}(V)) = Y \setminus f(adh_{\tau_i}(X \setminus V)) = Y \setminus adh_{\beta_i}(f(X \setminus V))$, because f is continuous and closed. Thus $Y \setminus f(X \setminus int_{\tau_i}(V)) = int_{\beta_i}(Y \setminus f(X \setminus V))$ and so $G \setminus int_{\beta_i}(Y \setminus f(X \setminus V)) \in \mathcal{L}$. Finally, given that f is surjective and $W \cap V = \emptyset$, we have that $[Y \setminus f(X \setminus W)] \cap [Y \setminus f(X \setminus V)] = \emptyset$. \Box

Theorem 4.8 If for each $i \in \{1, 2\}$ we have that $f : (X, \tau_i) \to (Y, \beta_i)$ is a continuous, closed and injective function, and if $(Y, \beta_1, \beta_2, \mathcal{L})$ is strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular, then the space $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, f^{-1}(\mathcal{L}))$ is strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular.

Proof. Suppose that $i \in \{1,2\}$, F is a τ_i -closed set and that $a \in X \setminus F$. Given that $f(a) \notin f(F)$ and f(F) is β_i -closed, there are disjoint $W \in \beta_i$ and $T \in \beta_j$, where $j \neq i$, such that $f(a) \in W$ and $f(F) \setminus int_{\beta_i}(T) \in \mathcal{L}$. This implies that $a \in f^{-1}(W)$, $F \setminus f^{-1}(int_{\beta_i}(T)) \in f^{-1}(\mathcal{L})$, $f^{-1}(W) \in$ τ_i , $f^{-1}(T) \in \tau_j$ and $f^{-1}(W) \cap f^{-1}(T) = \emptyset$. Moreover, given that fis continuous we have that $F \setminus int_{\tau_i}(f^{-1}(T)) \subseteq F \setminus f^{-1}(int_{\beta_i}(T))$, and so $F \setminus int_{\tau_i}(f^{-1}(T)) \in f^{-1}(\mathcal{L})$. \Box

We end this section by examining the products of strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular spaces.

Theorem 4.9 If $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ and $(Y, \beta_1, \beta_2, \mathcal{L})$ are strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular spaces, then $(X \times Y, \mu_1, \mu_2, \mathcal{J} \otimes \mathcal{L})$ is strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular, where $\mu_i = \tau_i \times \beta_i$, for each $i \in \{1, 2\}$.

Proof. Suppose that $i \in \{1, 2\}$, $W \in \tau_i \times \beta_i$ and $(a, b) \in W$. There are $U \in \tau_i$ and $V \in \beta_i$ such that $(a, b) \in U \times V \subseteq W$. Now, by Theorem 4.4, there are $U_1 \in \tau_i$ and $V_1 \in \beta_i$, such that $a \in U_1$, $b \in V_1$, $adh_{\tau_i} \left(adh_{\tau_j}(U_1)\right) \setminus U \in \mathcal{J}$ and $adh_{\beta_i} \left(adh_{\beta_j}(V_1)\right) \setminus V \in \mathcal{L}$, where $j \neq i$. Let $J = adh_{\tau_i} \left(adh_{\tau_j}(U_1)\right) \setminus U$ and $L = adh_{\beta_i} \left(adh_{\beta_j}(V_1)\right) \setminus V$.

So $adh_{\mu_i}\left(adh_{\mu_j}\left(U_1\times V_1\right)\right)\setminus W\subseteq adh_{\mu_i}\left(adh_{\mu_j}\left(U_1\times V_1\right)\right)\setminus (U\times V) = \left[J\times adh_{\beta_i}\left(adh_{\beta_j}\left(V_1\right)\right)\right] \cup \left[adh_{\tau_i}\left(adh_{\tau_j}\left(U_1\right)\right)\times L\right], \text{ and in this way we}$ obtain that $adh_{\mu_i}\left(adh_{\mu_j}\left(U_1\times V_1\right)\right)\setminus W\in\mathcal{J}\otimes\mathcal{L}.$

Hence Theorem 4.4 implies that $(X \times Y, \mu_1, \mu_2, \mathcal{J} \otimes \mathcal{L})$ is strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular. \Box

Theorem 4.10 If $\{(X_{\alpha}, \tau_{1\alpha}, \tau_{2\alpha}, \mathcal{J}_{\alpha}) : \alpha \in \Delta\}$ is a collection of strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular spaces, then $\left(\prod_{\alpha \in \Delta} X_{\alpha}, \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta} \tau_{1\alpha}, \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta} \tau_{2\alpha}, \bigotimes_{\alpha \in \Delta} \mathcal{J}_{\alpha}\right)$ is strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular.

Proof. To begin, we define $X = \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta} X_{\alpha}$, $\tau_1 = \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta} \tau_{1\alpha}$ and $\tau_2 = \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta} \tau_{2\alpha}$ and $\mathcal{J} = \bigotimes_{\alpha \in \Delta} \mathcal{J}_{\alpha}$.

Suppose that $i \in \{1,2\}, W \in \tau_i$ and $a = (a_\alpha)_{\alpha \in \Delta} \in W$. There are $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, ..., \alpha_r\} \subseteq \Delta$ and $V_{\alpha_j} \in \tau_{i\alpha_j}$, for each $j \in \{1, 2, ..., r\}$, such that $a \in \bigcap_{j=1}^r p_{\alpha_j}^{-1} \left(V_{\alpha_j}\right) \subseteq W$, where p_{α_j} is the α_j -th projection. If $j \in \{1, 2, ..., r\}$ then $a_{\alpha_j} \in V_{\alpha_j}$, and so, by Theorem 4.4, there is a $U_{\alpha_j} \in \tau_{i\alpha_j}$ such that $a_{\alpha_j} \in U_{\alpha_j}$ and $adh_{\tau_{i\alpha_j}} \left(adh_{\tau_{k\alpha_j}}(U_{\alpha_j})\right) \setminus V_{\alpha_j} \in \mathcal{J}_{\alpha_j}$, where $k \neq i$. Now, if we do $U = \bigcap_{j=1}^r p_{\alpha_j}^{-1} \left(U_{\alpha_j}\right)$ then $U \in \tau_i$ and $a \in U$. If $j \in \{1, 2, ..., r\}$ we have that $adh_{\tau_k} \left(p_{\alpha_j}^{-1} \left(U_{\alpha_j}\right)\right) \subseteq p_{\alpha_j}^{-1} \left(adh_{\tau_{k\alpha_j}} \left(U_{\alpha_j}\right)\right) \subseteq p_{\alpha_j}^{-1} \left[adh_{\tau_{i\alpha_j}} \left(adh_{\tau_{k\alpha_j}} \left(U_{\alpha_j}\right)\right)\right]$, and then $adh_{\tau_i} \left[adh_{\tau_k} \left(p_{\alpha_j}^{-1} \left(U_{\alpha_j}\right)\right) \setminus W \subseteq \bigcap_{j=1}^r adh_{\tau_i} \left[adh_{\tau_i} \left(adh_{\tau_{k\alpha_j}} \left(U_{\alpha_j}\right)\right)\right] \right]$. So $adh_{\tau_i} \left(adh_{\tau_{k\alpha_j}} \left(adh_{\tau_{k\alpha_j}} \left(U_{\alpha_j}\right)\right)\right) \right] \setminus \bigcap_{j=1}^r p_{\alpha_j}^{-1} \left[adh_{\tau_{i\alpha_j}} \left(adh_{\tau_{k\alpha_j}} \left(U_{\alpha_j}\right)\right)\right] \right] \cap \bigcap_{j=1}^r p_{\alpha_j}^{-1} \left[adh_{\tau_{i\alpha_j}} \left(adh_{\tau_{k\alpha_j}} \left(U_{\alpha_j}\right)\right)\right] \right]$. Let $A = \bigcap_{j=1}^r p_{\alpha_j}^{-1} \left[adh_{\tau_{i\alpha_j}} \left(adh_{\tau_{k\alpha_j}} \left(adh_{\tau_{k\alpha_j}} \left(u_{\alpha_j}\right)\right)\right)\right] \setminus \bigcap_{j=1}^r p_{\alpha_j}^{-1} \left[adh_{\tau_{i\alpha_j}} \left(adh_{\tau_{k\alpha_j}} \left(u_{\alpha_j}\right)\right)\right] \right] \in \mathcal{J}$ and $A \subseteq \bigcup_{j=1}^r p_{\alpha_j}^{-1} \left[adh_{\tau_{i\alpha_j}} \left(adh_{\tau_{k\alpha_j}} \left(U_{\alpha_j}\right)\right) \setminus V_{\alpha_j}\right]$, then $adh_{\tau_i} \left[adh_{\tau_k} \left(U\right)\right] \setminus W \in \mathcal{J}$.

Hence $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -regular. \Box

5. Strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal spaces.

A bitopological space (X, τ_1, τ_2) is said to be strongly pairwise normal [4] if for each τ_i -closed set F, each τ_j -closed set G, with $i \neq j$ and $F \cap G$ $= \emptyset$, there are disjoint $U \in \tau_j$ and $V \in \tau_i$ such that $F \subseteq int_{\tau_i}(U)$ and

 $G \subseteq int_{\tau_j}(V)$. Our interest for this section is to introduce a generalization of this concept, through ideals.

Definition 5.1 The ideal bitopological space $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is said to be strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal if for each τ_i -closed set F, each τ_j -closed set G, with $i \neq j$ and $F \cap G = \emptyset$, there are disjoint $U \in \tau_j$ and $V \in \tau_i$ such that $\{F \setminus int_{\tau_i}(U), G \setminus int_{\tau_j}(V)\} \subseteq \mathcal{J}.$

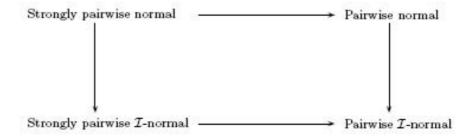
Example 5.1 1) If $X = \{0, 1, 2\}, \tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{0\}, \{1\}, \{0, 1\}, \{0, 2\}\}, \beta = \{\emptyset, X, \{0\}, \{2\}, \{0, 2\}, \{1, 2\}\}$ and $\mathcal{J} = \mathcal{P}(\{1, 2\})$, then $(X, \tau, \beta, \mathcal{J})$ is a strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal space, because $\{1, 2\} \setminus int_{\tau}(\{1, 2\}) = \{2\}$ and $\{0\} \setminus int_{\beta}(\{0\}) = \emptyset, \{0, 2\} \setminus int_{\tau}(\{0, 2\}) = \emptyset$ and $\{1\} \setminus int_{\beta}(\emptyset) = \{1\}, \{2\} \setminus int_{\tau}(\emptyset) = \{2\}$ and $\{0, 1\} \setminus int_{\beta}(\{0\}) = \{1\}, \{2\} \setminus int_{\tau}(\emptyset) = \{2\}$ and $\{1\} \setminus int_{\beta}(\emptyset) = \{1\}, \{2\} \setminus int_{\tau}(\emptyset) = \{2\}$ and $\{0\} \setminus int_{\beta}(\{0\}) = \emptyset$, and finally, $\{1\} \setminus int_{\tau}(\emptyset) = \{1\}$ and $\{0\} \setminus int_{\beta}(\{0\}) = \emptyset$.

However, the space (X, τ, β) is not strongly pairwise normal, because if $U \in \beta$ and $\{1, 2\} \subseteq int_{\tau}(U)$, then U = X and so, if $V \in \tau$ and $\{0\} \subseteq int_{\beta}(V)$, we have that $U \cap V = V \neq \emptyset$.

2) The space $(\mathbf{R}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{L}, \mathcal{I}_f(\mathbf{R}))$ is not strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal, because the set $F = (-\infty, 0]$ is \mathcal{C} -closed, the set $G = [1, \infty)$ is \mathcal{L} -closed, and if $U \in \mathcal{L}, V \in \mathcal{C}$ are disjoint sets and $F \setminus int_{\mathcal{C}}(U) \in \mathcal{I}_f(\mathbf{R})$, then we must have that $int_{\mathcal{C}}(U) = \mathbf{R}$ and so $U = \mathbf{R}, V = \emptyset$ and $G \setminus int_{\mathcal{L}}(V) = G \notin \mathcal{I}_f(\mathbf{R})$.

On the other hand, the space $(\mathbf{R}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{L}, \mathcal{I}_f(\mathbf{R}))$ is pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal since, if we have a nonempty \mathcal{C} -closed set F, and a nonempty \mathcal{L} -closed set G, with $F \cap G = \emptyset$, then there is a $a \in \mathbf{R}$ such that $F = (-\infty, a]$. If we do $U = (-\infty, a)$ and $V = (a, \infty)$ then $F \setminus U = \{a\} \in \mathcal{I}_f(\mathbf{R})$ and $G \setminus V = \emptyset \in \mathcal{I}_f(\mathbf{R})$.

Hence we have the following diagram, where all the implications are not revertible.



Theorem 5.2 If $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is a strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal space and if A is τ_i -closed, for each $i \in \{1, 2\}$, then $(A, (\tau_1)_A, (\tau_2)_A, \mathcal{J}_A)$ is strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal.

Proof. Suppose that F is $(\tau_i)_A$ -closed, G is $(\tau_j)_A$ -closed, with $i \neq j$ and $F \cap G = \emptyset$. Given that F is τ_i -closed and G is τ_j -closed, there are disjoint $U \in \tau_j$ and $V \in \tau_i$ such that $\left\{ F \setminus int_{\tau_i}(U), G \setminus int_{\tau_j}(V) \right\} \subseteq \mathcal{J}$. Given that $F \setminus int_{\tau_i}(U) \subseteq A$ and $G \setminus int_{\tau_j}(V) \subseteq A$, then $\left\{ F \setminus int_{\tau_i}(U), G \setminus int_{\tau_j}(V) \right\} \subseteq \mathcal{J}_A$. But $F \setminus int_{\tau_i}(U) = \emptyset \cup [F \setminus int_{\tau_i}(U)] = (F \setminus A) \cup [F \setminus int_{\tau_i}(U)] = F \setminus [A \cap int_{\tau_i}(U)]$. Similarly $G \setminus int_{\tau_j}(V) = G \setminus [A \cap int_{\tau_j}(V)]$.

Hence $\left\{F \setminus [A \cap int_{\tau_i}(U)], G \setminus [A \cap int_{\tau_j}(V)]\right\} \subseteq \mathcal{J}_A$. Now, since $A \cap int_{\tau_i}(U) \subseteq int_{(\tau_i)_A}(A \cap U)$ and $A \cap int_{\tau_j}(V) \subseteq int_{(\tau_j)_A}(A \cap V)$, we conclude that $F \setminus int_{(\tau_i)_A}(A \cap U) \in \mathcal{J}_A$ and $G \setminus int_{(\tau_j)_A}(A \cap V) \in \mathcal{J}_A$. \Box

Here we have some interesting characterizations of strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -normality.

Theorem 5.3 For the ideal bitopological space $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$, the following statements are equivalent:

1) $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{J})$ is strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal.

2) For each $i \neq j$, if F is τ_i -closed, $U \in \tau_j$ and $F \subseteq U$, then there are $W \in \tau_j$ and a τ_i -closed set D such that $W \subseteq D$ and $\left\{ F \setminus int_{\tau_i}(W), adh_{\tau_j}(D) \setminus U \right\} \subseteq \mathcal{J}$. 3) For each $i \neq j$, if F is τ_i -closed, $U \in \tau_j$ and $F \subseteq U$, then there exists $W \in \tau_j$ such that $\left\{ F \setminus int_{\tau_i}(W), adh_{\tau_j}(adh_{\tau_i}(W)) \setminus U \right\} \subseteq \mathcal{J}$.

4) For each $i \neq j$, if F is τ_i -closed, G is τ_j -closed and $F \cap G = \emptyset$, there is a $W \in \tau_j$ such that $\left\{ F \setminus int_{\tau_i}(W), G \cap adh_{\tau_j}(adh_{\tau_i}(W)) \right\} \subseteq \mathcal{J}$.

Proof.

1) \to 2) Suppose that $i \neq j$, F is a τ_i -closed set, $U \in \tau_j$ and $F \subseteq U$. There are disjoint $W \in \tau_j$ and $V \in \tau_i$ such that $F \setminus int_{\tau_i}(W) \in \mathcal{J}$ and $(X \setminus U) \setminus int_{\tau_j}(V) \in \mathcal{J}$. If we do $D = X \setminus V$ then D is τ_i -closed, $W \subseteq D$, $adh_{\tau_j}(D) \setminus U = (X \setminus U) \setminus int_{\tau_j}(V) \in \mathcal{J}$.

2) \rightarrow 3) Suppose that $i \neq j$, F is τ_i -closed, $U \in \tau_j$ and $F \subseteq U$. There are $W \in \tau_j$ and $X \setminus D \in \tau_i$ such that $W \subseteq D$ and $\{F \setminus int_{\tau_i}(W), adh_{\tau_j}(D) \setminus U\}$ $\subseteq \mathcal{J}$. Hence $adh_{\tau_j}(adh_{\tau_i}(W)) \subseteq adh_{\tau_j}(D)$, and so $adh_{\tau_j}(adh_{\tau_i}(W)) \setminus U \in \mathcal{J}$.

3) \rightarrow 4) This is clear.

4) \rightarrow 1) If F is a τ_1 -closed set, G is a τ_2 -closed and $F \cap G = \emptyset$, there is a $W \in \tau_2$ such that $\{F \setminus int_{\tau_1}(W), G \cap adh_{\tau_2}(adh_{\tau_1}(W))\} \subseteq \mathcal{J}$. Then $G \setminus (X \setminus adh_{\tau_2}(adh_{\tau_1}(W))) \in \mathcal{J}$, and so $G \setminus int_{\tau_2}(X \setminus adh_{\tau_1}(W)) \in \mathcal{J}$. Moreover $W \cap (X \setminus adh_{\tau_1}(W)) = \emptyset$. \Box

Finally we present some functional properties of strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -normality.

Theorem 5.4 Suppose that, for each $i \in \{1, 2\}$, the function $f : (X, \tau_i) \to (Y, \beta_i)$ is continuous, closed and surjective. If \mathcal{J} is an ideal in Y and the space $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}_{f,\mathcal{J}})$ is strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal, then $(Y, \beta_1, \beta_2, \mathcal{J})$ is strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal.

Proof. Suppose that H is a β_i -closed set, K is β_j -closed, with $i \neq j$ and $H \cap K = \emptyset$. There are disjoint $U \in \tau_j$ and $V \in \tau_i$ such that $f^{-1}(H) \setminus int_{\tau_i}(U) \in \mathcal{I}_{f,\mathcal{J}}$ and $f^{-1}(K) \setminus int_{\tau_j}(V) \in \mathcal{I}_{f,\mathcal{J}}$. There is a $J \in \mathcal{J}$ such that $f^{-1}(H) \setminus int_{\tau_i}(U) \subseteq f^{-1}(J)$. Hence $f^{-1}(H \setminus J) \subseteq int_{\tau_i}(U), X \setminus int_{\tau_i}(U) \subseteq f^{-1}((X \setminus H) \cup J), f(X \setminus int_{\tau_i}(U)) \subseteq (X \setminus H) \cup J$, and so $H \subseteq [Y \setminus f(X \setminus int_{\tau_i}(U))] \cup J$ or, equivalently, $H \subseteq [Y \setminus f(adh_{\tau_i}(X \setminus U))] \cup J$. But $adh_{\beta_i}(f(X \setminus U)) = f(adh_{\tau_i}(X \setminus U))$, since $f: (X, \tau_i) \to (Y, \beta_i)$ is continuous and closed.

Thus $H \subseteq [Y \setminus adh_{\beta_i} (f((X \setminus U)))] \cup J$, and so $H \subseteq [int_{\beta_i} (Y \setminus f((X \setminus U)))] \cup J$. If we do $W = Y \setminus f(X \setminus U)$ then $H \setminus int_{\beta_i} (W) \in \mathcal{J}$. Similarly, if we do $T = Y \setminus f(X \setminus V)$ then $K \setminus int_{\beta_j} (T) \in \mathcal{J}$. Given that f is surjective and $U \cap V = \emptyset$, we have that W and T are disjoint sets.

Consequently $(Y, \beta_1, \beta_2, \mathcal{J})$ is a strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal space. \Box

Theorem 5.5 Suppose that, for each $i \in \{1, 2\}$, the function $f: (X, \tau_i) \to (Y, \beta_i)$ is one to one, continuous and closed. If the space $(Y, \beta_1, \beta_2, \mathcal{L})$ is strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal, then $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, f^{-1}(\mathcal{L}))$ is strongly pairwise \mathcal{I} -normal.

Proof. Suppose that F is τ_i -closed, G is τ_j -closed, with i = j and $F \cap G = \emptyset$. There are disjoint $W \in \beta_j$ and $T \in \beta_i$ such that $f(F) \setminus int_{\beta_i}(W) \in \mathcal{L}$ and $f(G) \setminus int_{\beta_j}(T) \in \mathcal{L}$. This implies that $F \setminus f^{-1}(int_{\beta_i}(W)) \in f^{-1}(\mathcal{L})$ and $G \setminus f^{-1}(int_{\beta_i}(T)) \in f^{-1}(\mathcal{L})$.

But $f^{-1}(int_{\beta_i}(W)) \subseteq int_{\tau_i}(f^{-1}(W))$ and $f^{-1}(int_{\beta_j}(T)) \subseteq int_{\tau_j}(f^{-1}(T))$, and so $\{F \setminus int_{\tau_i}(f^{-1}(W)), G \setminus int_{\tau_j}(f^{-1}(T))\} \subseteq f^{-1}(\mathcal{L})$. On the other hand, $f^{-1}(W) \in \tau_j, f^{-1}(T) \in \tau_i$ and $f^{-1}(W) \cap f^{-1}(T) = \emptyset$. \Box

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