# **On Penta Topological Separation Axioms** Muhammad Shahkar Khan<sup>\*</sup>, Zakir Husain<sup>†</sup>, Ibrar Hussain<sup>‡</sup>

#### Abstract

In the past few decades separation axioms in single topological spaces have been extended to bi, tri and quad topological spaces by many authors. In this work we examine separation axioms in penta topological spaces and also investigate some of their properties.

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### Introduction

In general topology separation axioms are topological spaces telling us how distinct points, points and sets and sets are wrapped by open sets (or neighbourhoods). Among these the most common separation axioms are  $T_0, T_1, T_2, T_3$  and regular axioms. Khan & Khan (2018) introduced the concept of penta topological space as a non-void set equipped with five topologies. To be more specific, if X is a non-void set and  $\tau_p = (\tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3, \tau_4, \tau_5)$  is a 5-tuple of topologies, then  $(X, \tau_p)$  is a penta topological space (pTS). The 5-tuple of topologies  $\tau_p = (\tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3, \tau_4, \tau_5)$  is called penta topology (pT) on X.

If  $\tau_p = (\tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3, \tau_4)$ , then  $(X, \tau_p)$  is called quad topological space (Mukundan, 2013). Tapi et al (2014) studied separation axioms in quad topological spaces.

If  $\tau_p = (\tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3)$ , then  $(X, \tau_p)$  is called tri topological space. Kovar (2000) introduced the notion of tri topological space. Hameed & Abid (2011) discussed separation axioms in tri-topological spaces.

If  $\tau_p = (\tau_1, \tau_2)$ , then  $(X, \tau_p)$  is termed as bi topological space (Kelly, 1963). Kelly was the first who initiated the concept of bi topological space. His work gave birth to a new area of research *viz*. a set with many topologies within the domain of general topology. In bi topological spaces separation axioms in different contexts have been studied by interested authors like (Reilly 1972, Selvanayaki & Rajesh, 2011).

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If  $\tau_p = \tau$ , where  $\tau$  is any topology on *X*, then  $(X, \tau_p)$  is the classical topological space. For discussion pertaining to separation axioms in classical topological spaces we, however, refer to some standard books available on the topic (Munkres 2000, Simmons 1963 & Willard 1970).

In this paper, we aim at to carry over the idea of separation axioms to pTS via penta open sets and penta closed sets (Khan & Khan, 2018). More recently, some new topological concepts in pTS have also been discussed by some authors (Anjaline & Pricilla, 2020, Pacifica & Fatima 2019).

#### Preliminaries

Here we mention some facts about penta topological spaces (pTSs) which are needed in the sequel. For brevity sake we use X to denote a  $pTS(X, \tau_p)$ .

#### **Definition 2.1**

Let X be a pTS and S a subset of X. Then

- (a) elements of  $\tau_i$ ; i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 are said to be  $\tau_i$ -open sets and their relative complements are called  $\tau_i$ -closed sets
- (b) S is called penta open set (*pOS*) if S ∈ ∪<sup>5</sup><sub>i=1</sub> τ<sub>i</sub> and its complement X\S is known as penta closed set (*pCS*)
- (c) the penta closure of S denoted by  $\mathcal{P}Cl(S)$  is defined as  $\mathcal{P}Cl(S) = \bigcap_{\lambda \in I} \{C_{\lambda}: \text{each } C_{\lambda} \text{ is a } \mathcal{P}CS \text{ in } X \text{ containing } S \}$
- (d) *S* is referred to as penta neighbourhood (pN) of an element  $a \in X$  if and only if there exists a pOS Usatisfying the condition  $a \in U \subseteq S$ .

#### Theorem 2.2

In pTSX

- 1.  $\bigcup_{\lambda \in I} U_{\lambda}$  is pOS where each  $U_{\lambda}$  is pOS
- 2.  $\bigcap_{\lambda \in I} C_{\lambda}$  is  $\mathcal{P}CS$  where each  $C_{\lambda}$  is  $\mathcal{P}CS$

# Remark 2.3

Clearly,  $\mathcal{PCl}(S)$  is a  $\mathcal{PCS}$  set and  $S \subseteq \mathcal{PCl}(S)$ 

**Theorem 2.4** If *X* is a pTS and  $S \subseteq X$ , then *S* is pCS if and only if S = pCl(S).

### **Penta Topological Separation Axioms**

We shall use the concepts of pOSs and pCSs in pTSs to introduce penta topological separation axioms (pTSAs). Some results concerning pTSAs are also investigated.

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#### **Definition 3.1**

A *pTSX* satisfies

- (1) Axiom  $pT_0$  if and only if for all a and b in X,  $a \neq b$ , there is a pOS*U* which contains one of *a* and *b* and not the other.
- (2) Axiom  $pT_1$  if and only if for all *a* and *b* in *X*,  $a \neq b$ , there are pOSs*U* and *V* in *X* such that  $a \in U, b \notin U$  and  $b \in V, a \notin V$ .
- (3) Axiom  $pT_2$  if and only if for all a and b in X,  $a \neq b$ , there are pOSs *U* and *V* in *X* such that  $a \in U, b \in V$  and  $U \cap V = \phi$ .
- (4) Axiom of pregularity if and only if for all pCSs S in X and  $a \notin S$  there are pOSs U and V in X such that  $S \subseteq U, a \in V$  and  $U \cap V = \phi$ .
- (5) Axiom  $pT_3$  if and only if X obey the axiom of  $pT_1$  and pregularity.

A pTSX which satisfies axiom  $pT_i$ ; i = 0, 1, 2, 3 is known as  $pT_i$ space. A pTS which satisfies the axiom of pregularity is called a pregular space. A  $pT_2$  space is also termed as *pHausdorff* space.

#### **Examples**

Here we give some examples to illustrate pTSs.

- (a) Let  $X = \{\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta\}$  with  $pTs \tau_1 = \{\phi, \{\alpha\}, X\}, \tau_2 = \{\phi, \{\beta\}, \{\alpha, \beta\}, X\},$  $\tau_3 = \{\phi, \{\gamma\}, X\}, \tau_4 = \{\phi, \{\delta\}, X\} \text{ and } \tau_5 = \{\phi, \{\gamma, \delta\}, X\} \text{ be a } pTS.$  The *pOSs* are  $\phi$ , { $\alpha$ }, { $\beta$ }, { $\gamma$ }, { $\delta$ }, { $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ }, { $\gamma$ ,  $\delta$ } and X. Hence X is  $pT_0$ space.
- $\tau_3 = \{\phi, \{\beta\}, \{\beta, \gamma\}, X\}, \tau_4 = \{\phi, \{\gamma\}, X\} \text{ and } \tau_5 = \{\phi, \{\delta\}, X\} \text{ be a } pTS.$ The *pOSs* are  $\phi$ , { $\alpha$ }, { $\beta$ }, { $\gamma$ }, { $\delta$ }, { $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ }, { $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ } and *X*. Hence *X* is *pT*<sub>1</sub> space.
- (c) Let  $X = \{\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta\}$  with  $pTs \tau_1 = \{\phi, \{\alpha\}, X\}, \tau_2 = \{\phi, \{\beta\}, X\}, \tau_3 = \{\phi, \{\beta\}, X\}, \tau_4 = \{\phi, \{\beta\}, Y\}, \tau_4 = \{\phi, \{\phi\}, Y\}, \tau_4 = \{\phi, \{\phi\}$  $\{\phi, \{\gamma\}, X\}$  $\tau_4 = \{\phi, \{\delta\}, X\}, \tau_5 = \{\phi, \{\alpha, \beta\}, X\}$  be a *pTS*. The *pOSs* are  $\phi$ ,  $\{\alpha, \beta\}$  and X. Hence X is  $pT_2$  (pHausdorff) space.
- (d) Let  $X = \{\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta\}$  with  $pTs \tau_1 = \{\phi, \{\alpha, \beta\}, X\}, \tau_2 = \{\phi, \{\beta, \gamma\}, X\},$  $\tau_3 = \{\phi, \{\gamma, \delta\}, X\}, \tau_4 = \{\phi, \{\alpha, \beta\}, \{\gamma, \delta\}, X\} \text{ and } \tau_5 = \{\phi, X\} \text{ be a } pTS.$ pCSs The pOSs are  $\phi, \{\alpha, \beta\}, \{\beta, \gamma\}, \{\gamma, \delta\}, X \text{ and }$ are  $X, \{\gamma, \delta\}, \{\alpha, \delta\}, \{\alpha, \beta\}, \phi$ . Hence X is pregular space.
- (e) Consider X with pTs as indicated in (d) above. X is pregular space and also  $pT_1$  space. Hence X is  $pT_3$  space.

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#### Remark

The following implication holds true for pTSAs:

Axiom  $pT_3 \Rightarrow$  Axiom  $pT_2 \Rightarrow$  Axiom  $pT_1 \Rightarrow$ 

Axiom  $pT_0$ .

However, the converse of this implication is not true in general.

#### **Main Results**

In this section we prove some results concerning pTSAs in pTSs. We start with stating the following fundamental theorem, proof of which is easy and thus omitted.

### Theorem 5.1

Let X be a pTS and S a subset of X. Then S is pOS if and only if it is a pN of each of its point.

# Theorem 5.2

If  $\{a\}$  is a pOS for some  $a \in X$ , then  $a \notin pCl\{b\}$  for every  $b \neq a$ .

### Proof.

Suppose  $\{a\}$  is a pOS for some a in X, then  $X \setminus \{a\}$  is a pCS and  $a \notin X \setminus \{a\}$ .

Assume that  $a \in \mathcal{P}Cl\{b\}$  for some  $b \neq a$ , then *b* and *a* both belong to the  $\mathcal{P}CSs$  containing *b*. It then follows that  $a \in X \setminus \{a\}$  contradicting the fact that  $a \notin X \setminus \{a\}$ .

Hence  $a \notin \mathcal{PCl}\{b\}$ .

# Theorem 5.3

In *pTS X* distinct points have distinct *pCls*.

### Proof

Consider any two points a, b in  $X, a \neq b$  and let  $S = X \setminus \{a\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{P}Cl(S) = S$  or X.

If  $\mathcal{P}Cl(S) = S$ , then *S* is  $\mathcal{P}CS$  and so  $X \setminus S = \{a\}$  is  $\mathcal{P}OS$  for some *a* in *X* such that  $b \notin X \setminus S$ . By Theorem (5.2)  $a \notin \mathcal{P}Cl\{b\}$  and  $b \in \mathcal{P}Cl\{a\}$  which implies  $\mathcal{P}Cl\{a\}$  and  $\mathcal{P}Cl\{b\}$  are distinct.

If pCl(S) = X, then S is pOS and so  $\{a\}$  is pCS which means that  $pCl\{a\} = \{a\}$ . Thus  $pCl\{a\}$  and  $pCl\{b\}$  are distinct.

#### Theorem 5.4

In pTS X if distinct points have distinct pCls, then it is a  $pT_0$  space.

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**Proof.** Suppose a and b are two distinct points in X so that  $pCl\{a\} \neq pCl\{b\}$ . There exists c in X such that  $c \in pCl\{a\}$  but  $c \notin pCl\{b\}$ 

or  $c \in \mathcal{P}Cl\{b\}$  but  $c \notin \mathcal{P}Cl\{a\}$ 

Consider  $c \in pCl\{b\}$ , then  $pCl\{a\}$  is contained in  $pCl\{b\}$  which implies  $c \notin pCl\{b\}$ , a contradiction, so  $c \notin pCl\{b\}$ . It then follows  $c \in pCl(X \setminus \{b\})$ . Consequently, X is a  $pT_0$  space.

# Theorem 5.5

Every pTS is a  $pT_0$  space. **Proof.** Immediate from Theorem (5.3) and Theorem (5.4).

# Theorem 5.6

A pTS X is  $pT_1$  space if and only if every one-point set in X is pCS. **Proof**. Suppose  $\{a\}$  is a one-point set in X and  $b \in X \setminus \{a\}$ . Then  $b \neq a$ . Since X is  $pT_1$  space, so there are pOSs U and V in X such that  $a \in U, b \notin U$  and  $b \in V, a \notin V$ . It follows that  $b \in V$  and  $V \subseteq X \setminus \{a\}$  and so  $X \setminus \{a\}$  is a pN of b. But b was chosen arbitrary in X, hence  $X \setminus \{a\}$  is a pN of each of its points. Consequently,  $X \setminus \{a\}$  is pOS and  $\{a\}$  is pCS. Conversely, suppose every one point set in X is pCS. Let  $a, b \in X, a \neq V$ .

Conversely, suppose every one point set in X is  $\mathcal{P}CS$ . Let  $a, b \in X, a \neq b$ . Then the one-point sets  $\{a\}, \{b\}$  are  $\mathcal{P}CSs$  and so  $X \setminus \{a\}, X \setminus \{b\}$  are  $\mathcal{P}OSs$  such that  $b \in X \setminus \{a\}, a \notin X \setminus \{a\}$  and

 $a \in X \setminus \{b\}, b \notin X \setminus \{b\}$ . Hence X is a  $pT_1$  space.

# Corollary 5.7

A pTS X is  $pT_1$  space if and only if each finite subset of X is pCS.

# Theorem 5.8

In pTS X, the following conditions are equivalent

- (I) X is  $pT_1$  space
- (II) For every  $a \in X$ ,  $\{a\}$  is pCS in X
- (III) Every subset of X is the intersection of all pOSs containing it
- (IV) The intersection of all pOSs containing the point  $a \in X$  is  $\{a\}$

#### Proof.

(I)  $\Rightarrow$  (II). Suppose *X* is a  $pT_1$  space and  $a, b \in X$  with  $a \neq b$ . Then there exist  $pOSs \ O_a$  and  $O_b$  such that  $a \in O_a$ ,  $b \notin O_a$  and  $b \in O_b$ ,  $a \notin O_b$ . By the latter condition it then follows that

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 $b \in O_b \subseteq X \setminus \{a\} \Longrightarrow X \setminus \{a\} = \bigcup \{O_b : b \in X \setminus \{a\}\}$ and so  $X \setminus \{a\}$  is pOS. Consequently  $\{a\}$  is pCS in X. Hence (II) is true.

(II)  $\Rightarrow$  (III). Suppose  $S \subseteq X$  and  $a \notin S$ . Then  $S \subseteq X \setminus$ 

{*a*} and *X*\{*a*} is pOS in *X*. We may write  $S = \bigcap \{X \setminus \{a\}: a \in X \setminus S\}$ . Hence (III) is true.

(III)  $\Rightarrow$  (IV). Obvious.

(IV)  $\Rightarrow$  (I). Suppose a and b are two elements in X such that  $a \neq b$ . Then there exists a  $pOS O_a$  containing a but not b and a  $pOS O_b$  containing b but not a. Hence (I) is true.

# Theorem 5.9

A pTS X is a  $pT_2$  space if and only if for any two distinct points a, b in X there exist  $pCSs C_1$  and  $C_2$  such that

 $a \in C_1$ ,  $b \notin C_1$  and  $b \in C_2$ ,  $a \notin C_2$  and  $X = C_1 \cup C_2$ .

# Proof

Suppose *X* is a  $pT_2$  space, then for any two distinct points *a*, *b* in *X*, there exist pOSs U and *V* in *X* such that  $a \in U$ ,  $b \in V$  and  $U \cap V = \phi$ . Set  $C_1 = X \setminus V$  and  $C_2 = X \setminus U$ , then

 $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are pCSs with  $a \in C_1$ ,  $b \notin C_1$  and  $y \in C_2$ ,  $a \notin C_2$  and  $X = C_1 \cup C_2$ .

Conversely, suppose for any *a*, *b* in *X* with  $a \neq b$ , there exist  $\mathcal{P}CSs C_1$  and  $C_2$  such that

 $a \in C_1, b \notin C_1 \text{ and } b \in C_2, a \notin C_2 \text{ and } X = C_1 \cup C_2.$ Set  $O_1 = X \setminus C_2$  and  $O_2 = X \setminus C_1$ , then  $O_1$  and  $O_2$  are  $\mathcal{POSs}$  such that  $a \in O_1, b \in O_2$  and  $O_1 \cap O_2 = \phi$ 

Hence *X* is a  $pT_2$  space.

# Theorem 5.10

A pTS X is a pregular space if and only if for any pOSU containing a in X, there exist a pOS V containing a such that pCl $(V) \subseteq U$ .

**Proof.** Suppose *X* is *p*regular. Let *U* be a *pOS* containing  $a \in X$ , then  $X \setminus U$  is a *pCS* in *X* and  $a \notin X \setminus U$ . By P-regularity of *X*, there exist *pOSs V* and *W* in *X* such that

 $a \in V, X \setminus U \subseteq W$  and  $V \cap W = \phi$ . Notice that  $X \setminus W \subseteq U$  and  $V \subseteq X \setminus W$ . Since  $X \setminus W$  is pCS, so  $pCl(V) \subseteq pCl(X \setminus W) = X \setminus W \subseteq U$ .

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Conversely, let  $a \in X$  and C be a  $\mathcal{P}CS$  in X with  $a \notin C$ , then  $a \in X \setminus C$  where  $X \setminus C$  is  $\mathcal{P}OS$  in X. By hypothesis, there exists a  $\mathcal{P}OS V$  containing a such that

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 $\mathcal{P}Cl(V) \subseteq X \setminus C \text{ implies } C \subseteq X \setminus \mathcal{P}Cl(V) \text{ where } X \setminus \mathcal{P}Cl(V) \text{ is a}$  $\mathcal{P}OS.$ But  $V \cap (X \setminus \mathcal{P}Cl(V)) = V \cap X \setminus V \cap \mathcal{P}Cl(V) =$  $V \setminus V = \phi.$ Hence X is pregular.

# Theorem 5.11

A  $pT_0$  and pregular space is a  $pT_2$  space.

#### Proof.

Suppose *X* is a  $\mathcal{P}T_0$  space which is also  $\mathcal{P}$ regular. Let  $a, b \in X$  with  $a \neq b$ . Then there exists a  $\mathcal{P}OS \ U$  such that  $a \in U$  and  $b \notin U$ . Since *U* is  $\mathcal{P}OS$  so  $X \setminus U$  is a  $\mathcal{P}CS$  and  $a \notin X \setminus U$ . Also *X* is  $\mathcal{P}$ regular, so there exist  $\mathcal{P}OSs \ V, W$  and  $V \cap W = \phi$  such that  $a \in V$  and  $X \setminus U \subseteq W$ , hence  $a \in V$  and  $b \in W$ . Consequently, *X* is  $\mathcal{P}T_2$  space.

#### Conclusion

Separation axioms also known as separation properties have been actively persuaded by many researchers recently in classical as well as bi, tri and quad topological spaces using certain types of open and closed sets. In this work, the separation axioms  $\mathcal{P}T_0$ ,  $\mathcal{P}T_1$ ,  $\mathcal{P}T_2$ ,  $\mathcal{P}T_3$ ,  $\mathcal{P}$ regular have been studied in  $\mathcal{P}TSS$  via  $\mathcal{P}OSS$  and  $\mathcal{P}CSS$  introduced by Khan and Khan (2018). Critical review of previous work concerning separation axioms in the classical, bi, tri, quad and  $\mathcal{P}TSS$  leads to the conclusion that these separation axioms can conveniently be carried over to hexa topological space (a non-void set with six topologies) and even the more general case of *n* topological space, that is a non-void set equipped with *n* topologies where *n* is a natural number.

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