



# Connectedness and Compactness via Semi-Star-Regular Open Sets

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**Abstract:** In this paper, we introduce new concepts namely, semi\*-r-connectedness and semi\*-r-compactness using semi\*regular open sets. We investigate their basic properties. We also discuss their relationships with already existing concepts of connectedness and compactness.

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## 1. Introduction

In 1974, Das [2] defined the concept of semi-connectedness in topological spaces and investigated its properties. Compactness is one of the most important, useful and fundamental concepts in topology. In 1981, Dorsett [5] introduced and studied the concept of semi-compact spaces. Since then, Hanna and Dorsett [6], Ganster [5] investigated the properties of semi-compact spaces. PasunkiliPandian.S [12] introduced semi\*-pre-compact spaces and investigated their properties. Robert, A. and Pious Missier, S. recently introduced and studied semi\*-connectedness and semi\*-compactness [16] in topological spaces. The authors have defined semi\*regular open sets [13] and semi\*regular closed sets [13] and investigated their properties. In this paper, we introduce the concept of semi\*regular connected spaces. We investigate their basic properties. We also discuss their relationship with already existing concepts namely connectedness, semi-connectedness, semi-pre connectedness and semi\* $\alpha$ -connectedness. Further we define semi\*regular compact spaces and investigate their properties. We also show the relationship of semi\*-r-compactness with each of the concepts of compactness, semi-compactness semi\*-compactness and semi\*-pre compactness.

## 2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper  $X$  will always denote a topological space. If  $A$  is a subset of the space  $X$ ,  $Cl(A)$  and  $Int(A)$  denote the closure and the interior of  $A$  respectively.

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**Definition 2.1.** Let  $A$  subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called

- (1). generalized closed (briefly  $g$ -closed) [7] if  $Cl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $X$ .
- (2). generalized open (briefly  $g$ -open) [7] if  $X \setminus A$  is  $g$ -closed in  $X$ .

**Definition 2.2.** Let  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ . The generalized closure [4] of  $A$  is defined as the intersection of all  $g$ -closed sets containing  $A$  and is denoted by  $Cl^*(A)$ .

**Definition 2.3.** A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called

- (1). semi-open [8] (resp.  $\alpha$ -open [9], semi  $\alpha$ -open [10] semi-preopen [1] semi\*-open [17], semi\*-regular open [13], semi\*-preopen [12]) if  $A \subseteq Cl(Int(A))$  (resp.  $A \subseteq Int(Cl(Int(A)))$ ,  $A \subseteq Cl(Int(Cl(Int(A))))$ ,  $A \subseteq Cl(Int(Cl(A)))$ ,  $A \subseteq Cl^*(Int(A))$ ,  $A \subseteq Cl^*(rInt(A))$ ,  $A \subseteq Cl^*(pInt(A))$ ).
- (2). semi-closed [2] (resp. semi  $\alpha$ -closed [11], semipreclosed [1], semi\*-closed [18], semi\*-regular closed [13], semi\*-preclosed [12]) if  $Int(Cl(A)) \subseteq A$  (resp.  $Int(Cl(Int(Cl(A)))) \subseteq A$ ,  $Int(Cl(Int(A))) \subseteq A$ ,  $Int^*(Cl(A)) \subseteq A$ ,  $Int^*(rCl(A)) \subseteq A$ ,  $Int^*(pCl(A)) \subseteq A$ ).

**Definition 2.4.** Let  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ . Then the semi\*-regular closure [13] of  $A$  is defined as the intersection of all semi\*-regular closed sets in  $X$  containing  $A$  and is denoted by  $s^*rCl(A)$ .

**Definition 2.5** ([13]).

- (1). Every Semi\*-regular open set is Semi\*- $\alpha$ -open.
- (2). Every Semi\*-regular open set is Semi\*-pre-open.
- (3). Every Semi\*-regular open set is Semi\*-open.
- (4). Every Semi\*-regular open set is Semi open.
- (5). Every Semi\*-regular open set is Semi  $\alpha$ -open.
- (6). Every Semi\*-regular open set is Semi pre-open.
- (7). Every Semi\*-regular open set is regular generalized open set.
- (8). Every Semi\*-regular open set is generalized pre regular open set.

**Definition 2.6** ([15]). If  $A$  is a subset of  $X$ , the semi\*- $r$ -Frontier of  $A$  is defined by  $s^*rFr(A) = s^*rCl(A) \setminus s^*rInt(A)$ .

**Result 2.7** ([15]). If  $A$  is a subset of  $X$ , then  $s^*rFr(A) = s^*rCl(A) \cap s^*rCl(X \setminus A)$ . Let  $A$  be a subset of a space  $X$ . Then  $A$  is semi\*- $r$ -regular if and only if  $s^*rFr(A) = \emptyset$ .

**Theorem 2.8** ([13]). If  $A$  is a subset of  $X$ , then

- (1).  $s^*rCl(X \setminus A) = X \setminus s^*rInt(A)$ .
- (2).  $s^*rInt(X \setminus A) = X \setminus s^*rCl(A)$ .
- (3).  $A$  is semi\*-regular closed if and only if  $s^*rCl(A) = A$ .

**Definition 2.9.** A topological space  $X$  is said to be connected [19] (resp. semi-connected [2],  $\alpha$ -connected, semi\*-connected [16], semi\*-pre-connected [12]) if  $X$  cannot be expressed as the union of two disjoint nonempty open (resp. semi-open,  $\alpha$ -open, semi\*-open, semi\*-preopen) sets in  $X$ .

**Definition 2.10** ([19]). A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called clopen if it is both open and closed in  $X$ .

**Theorem 2.11** ([19]). A topological space  $X$  is connected if and only if the only clopen subsets of  $X$  are  $\phi$  and  $X$ .

**Definition 2.12.** A collection  $B$  of open (resp. semi-open) sets in  $X$  is called an open (resp. semi-open) cover of  $A \subseteq X$  if  $A \subseteq \cup\{U_\alpha : U_\alpha \in B\}$  holds.

**Definition 2.13.** A space  $X$  is said to be compact [19] (resp. semi compact [3]) if every open (resp. semi-open) cover of  $X$  has a finite subcover.

**Definition 2.14** ([15]). A function  $f : X \longrightarrow Y$  is said to be

- (1). semi\*-r-continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semi\*regular open in  $X$  for every open set  $V$  in  $Y$ .
- (2). semi\*-r-irresolute if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semi\*regular open in  $X$  for every semi\*regular open set  $V$  in  $Y$ .
- (3). semi\*regular open if  $f(V)$  is semi\*regular open in  $Y$  for every open set  $V$  in  $X$ .
- (4). semi\*regular closed if  $f(V)$  is semi\*regular closed in  $Y$  for every closed set  $V$  in  $X$ .
- (5). pre-semi\*regular open if  $f(V)$  is semi\*regular open in  $Y$  for every semi\*regular open set  $V$  in  $X$ .
- (6). pre-semi\*regular closed if  $f(V)$  is semi\*regular closed in  $Y$  for every semi\*regular closed set  $V$  in  $X$ .
- (7). semi\*-r-totally continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is clopen in  $X$  for every semi\*regular open set  $V$  in  $Y$ .
- (8). contra-semi\*-r-continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semi\*regular closed in  $X$  for every open set  $V$  in  $Y$ .
- (9). contra-semi\*-r-irresolute if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semi\*regular closed in  $X$  for every semi\*regular open set  $V$  in  $Y$ .

**Theorem 2.15** ([15]). Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a function. Then

- (1).  $f$  is semi\*-r-continuous if and only if  $f^{-1}(F)$  is semi\*regular-closed in  $X$  for every closed set  $F$  in  $Y$ .
- (2).  $f$  is semi\*-r-irresolute if and only if  $f^{-1}(F)$  is semi\*regular closed in  $X$  for every semi\*regular closed set  $F$  in  $Y$ .
- (3).  $f$  is contra-semi\*-r-continuous if and only if  $f^{-1}(F)$  is semi\*regular open in  $X$  for every closed set  $F$  in  $Y$ .
- (4).  $f$  is contra-semi\*-r-irresolute if and only if  $f^{-1}(F)$  is semi\*regular open in  $X$  for every semi\*regular closed set  $F$  in  $Y$ .
- (5).  $f$  is semi\*-r-totally continuous if  $f^{-1}(F)$  is clopen in  $X$  for every semi\*regular closed set  $F$  in  $Y$ .

### 3. Semi\*regular Connected Spaces

In this section we introduce semi\*regular connected spaces. We give characterizations for semi\*regular connected spaces and also investigate their basic properties.

**Definition 3.1.** A topological space  $X$  is said to be semi\*regular connected if  $X$  cannot be expressed as the union of two disjoint nonempty semi\*regular open sets in  $X$ .

**Example 3.2.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  and the topology  $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{d\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, c, d\}\}$ .  $S^*RO(X) = \{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, d\}, X\}$ . Then the space  $X$  is semi\*regular connected.

**Theorem 3.3.**

- (1). Every semi\*-connected space is semi\*regular connected.
- (2). Every semi\*pre-connected space is semi\*regular connected.
- (3). Every semi\* $\alpha$ -connected space is semi\*regular connected.
- (4). Every semi connected space is semi\*regular connected.
- (5). Every semi  $\alpha$ -connected space is semi\*regular connected.
- (6). Every semi pre connected space is semi\*regular connected.

*Proof.* (1). Let  $X$  be semi\*connected space. Suppose  $X$  is not semi\*regular connected. Then there exists a proper non empty subset  $B$  of  $X$  which is both semi\*regular open and semi\*regular closed in  $X$ . Since every semi\*regular closed (open)set is semi\*closed(open)set then  $X$  is not semi\*connected. This proves (1). In the similar manner we can prove (2), (3), (4), (5) and (6).  $\square$

**Remark 3.4.** It can be seen from the following example that the converse of each of the statements in Theorem 3.3 is not true.

**Example 3.5.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  and the topology  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$

$$\begin{aligned} S^*O(X) &= \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}\} \\ S^*\alpha O(X) &= \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}\} \\ S^*PO(X) &= \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}\} \\ S^*RO(X) &= \{X, \emptyset, \{b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $X$  is semi\*regular connected space but not semi\*connected, not semi\* $\alpha$ -connected and not semi\*pre connected spaces.

**Definition 3.6.** The sets  $A$  and  $B$  in a topological space  $X$  are said to be semi\*regular separated if  $A \cap s^*rCl(B) = s^*rCl(A) \cap B = \emptyset$ .

**Theorem 3.7.** For a topological space  $X$ , the following statements are equivalent:

- (1).  $X$  is semi\*regular connected.
- (2).  $X$  cannot be expressed as the union of two disjoint nonempty semi\*regular closed sets in  $X$ .
- (3). The only semi\*-regular subsets of  $X$  are  $\emptyset$  and  $X$  itself.
- (4). Every semi\*regular continuous function of  $X$  into a discrete space  $Y$  is constant.
- (5). Every nonempty proper subset of  $X$  has nonempty semi\*r-frontier.
- (6).  $X$  cannot be expressed as the union of two non-empty semi\*regular separated sets.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let  $X$  be a semi\*regular connected space. Suppose  $X = A \cup B$  where  $A$  and  $B$  are disjoint nonempty semi\*regular closed sets. Then  $A = X \setminus B$  and  $B = X \setminus A$  are disjoint non-empty semi\*regular open sets in  $X$ . This is a contradiction to the fact that  $X$  is semi\*regular connected. This proves (2).

(2) $\Rightarrow$ (1) Assume that  $X$  cannot be expressed as the union of two disjoint nonempty semi\*regular closed sets in  $X$ . Suppose  $X = A \cup B$  where  $A$  and  $B$  are disjoint nonempty semi\*regular open sets. Then  $A = X \setminus B$  and  $B = X \setminus A$  are disjoint non-empty semi\*regular closed sets in  $X$ . This is a contradiction to (2).

(1) $\Rightarrow$ (3) Suppose  $X$  is a semi\*regular connected space. Let  $A$  be non-empty proper subset of  $X$  that is  $A$  is semi\*r-regular set. Then  $X \setminus A$  is a non-empty semi\*regular open(or semi\*regular closed) and  $X = A \cup (X \setminus A)$ . This is a contradiction to  $X$  is semi\*regular connected.

(3) $\Rightarrow$ (1) Suppose  $X = A \cup B$  where  $A$  and  $B$  are disjoint non-empty semi\*regular open sets. Then  $A = X \setminus B$  is semi\*regular closed. Thus  $A$  is a non-empty proper subset that is semi\*r-regular. This is a contradiction to (3).

(3) $\Rightarrow$ (4) Let  $f$  be a semi\*regular continuous function of the semi\*regular connected space  $X$  into the discrete space  $Y$ . Then for each  $y \in Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(\{y\})$  is a semi\*r-regular set of  $X$ . Since  $X$  is semi\* regular connected,  $f^{-1}(\{y\}) = \emptyset$  or  $X$ . If  $f^{-1}(\{y\}) = \emptyset$  for all  $y \in Y$ , then  $f$  fails to be a function. Therefore  $f^{-1}(\{y_0\}) = X$  for a unique  $y_0 \in Y$ . This implies  $f(X) = \{y_0\}$  and hence  $f$  is a constant function.

(4) $\Rightarrow$ (3) Let  $U$  be a semi\*r-regular set in  $X$ . Suppose  $U \neq \emptyset$ . We claim that  $U = X$ . Otherwise, choose two fixed points  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  in  $Y$ . Define  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} y_1, & \text{if } x \in U; \\ y_2, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then for any open set  $V$  in  $Y$ ,

$$f^{-1}(V) = \begin{cases} U, & \text{if } V \text{ contains } y_1 \text{ but not } y_2 \\ X \setminus U, & \text{if } V \text{ contains } y_2 \text{ but not } y_1 \\ X, & \text{if } V \text{ contains both } y_1 \text{ and } y_2 \\ \emptyset, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

In all the cases  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semi\*regular open in  $X$ . Hence  $f$  is a non-constant semi\*regular continuous function of  $X$  into  $Y$ . This is a contradiction to our assumption. This proves that the only semi\* regular subsets of  $X$  are  $\emptyset$  and  $X$ .

(3) $\Rightarrow$ (5) Suppose that a space  $X$  is semi\*regular connected. If possible, let  $A$  be a non-empty proper subset of  $X$ . We claim that  $s^*rFr(A) \neq \emptyset$ . If possible, let  $s^*rFr(A) = \emptyset$ . Then by the Result 2.7,  $A$  is semi\*r-regular. This is a contradiction.

(5) $\Rightarrow$ (3) Suppose that every non-empty proper subset of  $X$  has a non-empty semi\*regular frontier. The only semi\*r-regular subsets of  $X$  are  $\emptyset$  and  $X$  itself. On the contrary, suppose that  $X$  has a non-empty proper subset  $A$  which is semi\*r-regular. By the Result 2.7,  $s^*rFr(A) = \emptyset$ . This contradiction proves (3).

(1) $\Rightarrow$ (6) Suppose  $X = A \cup B$  where  $A$  and  $B$  are disjoint non-empty semi\*r-separated sets in  $X$ . Since  $A \cap s^*rCl(B) = \emptyset$ ,  $s^*rCl(B) \subseteq X \setminus A = B$  and hence  $s^*rCl(B) = B$  and so by Theorem 2.8 (3),  $B$  is semi\*regular closed. Therefore  $A$  is

semi\*regular open. Similarly,  $B$  is semi\*regular open. Hence  $X$  is not semi\*r-connected. This is contradiction to (1).

(6) $\Rightarrow$ (1) Suppose  $X$  is not semi\*r-connected. Then  $X$  can be written as  $X = A \cup B$  where  $A$  and  $B$  are disjoint non-empty semi\*regular open sets. Now  $A = X \cap B$  is semi\*regular closed and hence by Theorem 2.8 (3),  $s^*rCl(A) = A$  and so  $s^*rCl(A) \cap B = \emptyset$ . Similarly  $A \cap s^*rCl(B) = \emptyset$ . Thus  $A$  and  $B$  are nonempty semi\*regular separated sets. This is a contradiction to (6).  $\square$

**Theorem 3.8.** *Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a semi\*regular continuous bijection and  $X$  be semi\*regular connected. Then  $Y$  is connected.*

*Proof.* Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be semi\*regular continuous surjection and  $X$  be semi\*regular connected. Let  $V$  be a clopen subset of  $Y$ . By Definition 2.14 (1)  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semi\*regular open and by Theorem 2.15 (1),  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semi\*regular closed and hence  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semi\*r-regular in  $X$ . Since  $X$  is semi\*regular connected, by Theorem 3.7  $f^{-1}(V) = \emptyset$  or  $X$ . Hence  $V = \emptyset$  or  $Y$ . This proves that  $Y$  is connected.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.9.** *Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a semi\*r-irresolute bijection. If  $X$  is semi\*regular connected, so is  $Y$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a semi\*r-irresolute surjection and let  $X$  be semi\*regular connected. Let  $V$  be a subset of  $Y$  that is semi\*r-regular in  $Y$ . By Definition 2.14 (2) and by Theorem 2.15 (2),  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semi\*r-regular in  $X$ . Since  $X$  is semi\*regular connected,  $f^{-1}(V) = \emptyset$  or  $X$ . Hence  $V = \emptyset$  or  $Y$ . This proves that  $Y$  is semi\*regular connected.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.10.** *Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a pre-semi\*regular open and pre-semi\*regular closed bijection. If  $Y$  is semi\*regular connected, so is  $X$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be subset of  $X$  that is semi\*r-regular in  $X$ . Since  $f$  is both pre-semi\*regular open and pre-semi\*regular closed,  $f(A)$  is semi\*r-regular in  $Y$ . Since  $Y$  is semi\*regular connected,  $f(A) = \emptyset$  or  $Y$ . Hence  $A = \emptyset$  or  $X$ . Therefore by Theorem 3.7,  $X$  is semi\*regular connected.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.11.** *If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a semi\*regular open and semi\*regular closed bijection and  $Y$  is semi\*regular connected, then  $X$  is connected.*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be a clopen subset of  $X$ . Since  $f$  is semi\*regular open,  $f(A)$  is semi\*regular open in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is a semi\*regular closed map,  $f(A)$  is semi\*regular closed in  $Y$ . Hence  $f(A)$  is semi\*r-regular in  $Y$ . Since  $Y$  is semi\*regular connected, by Theorem 3.7,  $f(A) = \emptyset$  or  $Y$ . Hence  $A = \emptyset$  or  $X$ . By Theorem 2.11,  $X$  is connected.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.12.** *If there is a semi\*r-totally continuous function from a connected space  $X$  onto  $Y$ , then the only semi\*regular open sets in  $Y$  are  $\emptyset$  and  $Y$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $f$  be a semi\*r-totally continuous function from a connected space  $X$  onto  $Y$ . Let  $V$  be any open set in  $Y$ . Then by Theorem 2.5 (2),  $V$  is semi\*regular open in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is semi\*r-totally continuous,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is clopen in  $X$ . Since  $X$  is connected, by Theorem 2.11,  $f^{-1}(V) = \emptyset$  or  $X$ . This implies  $V = \emptyset$  or  $Y$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.13.** *If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a strongly semi\*r-continuous bijection and  $Y$  is a space with at least two points, then  $X$  is not semi\*regular connected.*

*Proof.* Let  $y \in Y$ . Then  $f^{-1}(\{y\})$  is a non-empty proper subset that is semi\*r-regular in  $X$ . Hence by Theorem 3.7,  $X$  is not semi\*regular connected.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.14.** *Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a contra-semi\*regular continuous surjection and  $X$  be semi\*regular connected. Then  $Y$  is connected.*

*Proof.* Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a contra-semi\*regular continuous surjection and  $X$  be semi\*regular connected. Let  $V$  be a clopen subset of  $Y$ . By Definition 2.14 (8) and by Theorem 2.15 (3),  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semi\*r-regular in  $X$ . Since  $X$  is semi\*regular connected,  $f^{-1}(V) = \emptyset$  or  $X$ . Hence  $V = \emptyset$  or  $Y$ . This proves that  $Y$  is connected.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.15.** *Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a semi\*r-irresolute bijection. If  $X$  is semi\*regular connected, so is  $Y$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a semi\*r-irresolute bijection and let  $X$  be semi\* regular connected. Let  $V$  be a subset of  $Y$  that is semi\*r-regular in  $Y$ . By Definition 2.14 (2) and by Theorem 2.15 (2),  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semi\*r-regular in  $X$ . Since  $X$  is semi\*regular connected,  $f^{-1}(V) = \emptyset$  or  $X$ . Hence  $V = \emptyset$  or  $Y$ . This proves that  $Y$  is semi\*regular connected.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.16.** *Every contra-semi\*r-continuous function from a semi\*regular connected space into a  $T_1$  space is necessarily constant.*

*Proof.* Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a contra-semi\*r-continuous function and  $X$  be semi\*regular connected and  $Y$  be  $T_1$ . Since  $Y$  is  $T_1$ , for each  $y \in Y$ ,  $\{y\}$  is closed in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is contra-semi\*r-continuous, by Theorem 2.15 (3),  $f^{-1}(\{y\})$  is semi\*regular open in  $X$ . Therefore  $\{f^{-1}(\{y\}) : y \in Y\}$  is a collection of pair wise disjoint semi\*regular open sets in  $X$ . Since  $X$  is semi\*regular connected,  $f^{-1}(\{y_0\}) = X$  for some fixed  $y_0 \in Y$ . Hence  $f(X) = y_0$ . Thus  $f$  is a constant function.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.17.** *Every contra-semi\*r-irresolute function from a semi\*regular connected space into a semi\*r- $T_1$  space is necessarily constant.*

*Proof.* Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a contra-semi\*r-irresolute function and  $X$  be semi\*regular connected and  $Y$  be semi\*r- $T_1$ . Since  $Y$  is semi\*r- $T_1$ , for each  $y \in Y$ ,  $\{y\}$  is semi\*regular closed in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is contra-semi\*r-continuous,  $f^{-1}(\{y\})$  is semi\*regular open in  $X$ . Therefore  $\{f^{-1}(\{y\}) : y \in Y\}$  is a collection of pair wise disjoint semi\*regular open sets in  $X$ . Since  $X$  is semi\*regular connected,  $f^{-1}(\{y_0\}) = X$  for some fixed  $y_0 \in Y$ . Hence  $f(X) = y_0$ . Thus  $f$  is constant.  $\square$

## 4. Semi\*r-Compact Spaces

In this section we introduce semi\*r-compact spaces and study their properties. We also give characterizations for these spaces.

**Definition 4.1.** *A collection  $\mathcal{C}$  of semi\*regular open sets in  $X$  is called a semi\*regular open cover of a subset  $B$  of  $X$  if  $B \subseteq \bigcup \{U_\alpha : U_\alpha \in \mathcal{C}\}$  holds.*

**Definition 4.2.** *A space  $X$  is said to be semi\*r-compact if every semi\*regular open cover of  $X$  has a finite subcover.*

**Definition 4.3.** *A subset  $B$  of  $X$  is said to be semi\*r-compact relative to  $X$  if for every semi\*regular open cover  $\mathcal{C}$  of  $B$ , there is a finite subcollection of  $\mathcal{C}$  that covers  $B$ .*

**Remark 4.4.** *Every finite topological space is semi\*regular compact.*

**Theorem 4.5.**

1. *Every semi-compact space is semi\*regular compact space.*
2. *Every semi-pre-compact space is semi\*regular compact space.*
3. *Every semi  $\alpha$ -compact space is semi\*regular compact space.*
4. *Every semi\*-compact space is semi\*regular compact space.*

5. Every semi\*pre-compact space is semi\*regular compact space.

6. Every semi\* $\alpha$ -compact space is semi\*regular compact space.

**Theorem 4.6.** Every semi\*regular closed subset of a semi\*regular compact space  $X$  is semi\*regular compact relative to  $X$ .

**Definition 4.7.** Let  $A$  be a semi\*regular closed subset of a semi\*regular compact space  $X$ . Let  $B$  be a semi\*regular open cover of  $A$ . Then  $B \cup \{X \setminus A\}$  is a semi\*regular open cover of  $X$ . Since  $X$  is semi\*regular compact, this cover contains a finite subcover of  $X$  and hence contains a finite subcollection of  $B$  that covers  $A$ . This shows that  $A$  is semi\*regular compact relative to  $X$ .

**Theorem 4.8.** A space  $X$  is semi\*regular compact if and only if for every family of semi\*regular closed sets in  $X$  which has empty intersection has a finite subfamily with empty intersection.

*Proof.* Suppose  $X$  is semi\*regular compact and  $\{F_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  is a family of semi\*regular closed sets in  $X$  such that  $\bigcap \{F_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\} = \emptyset$ . Then  $\bigcup \{X \setminus F_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  is a semi\*regular open cover for  $X$ . Since  $X$  is semi\*regular compact, this cover has a finite subcover  $\{X \setminus F_{\alpha_1}, X \setminus F_{\alpha_2}, \dots, X \setminus F_{\alpha_n}\}$ . That is,  $X = \bigcup \{X \setminus F_{\alpha_i} : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . On taking the complements on both sides we get  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n F_{\alpha_i} = \emptyset$ .

Conversely, suppose that every family of semi\*regular closed sets in  $X$  which has empty intersection has a finite subfamily with empty intersection. Let  $\{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  be a semi\*regular open cover for  $X$ . Then  $\bigcup \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\} = X$ . Taking the complements, we get  $\bigcap \{X \setminus U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\} = \emptyset$ . Since  $X \setminus U_\alpha$  is semi\*regular closed for each  $\alpha \in \Delta$ , by the assumption, there is a finite sub family,  $\{X \setminus U_{\alpha_1}, X \setminus U_{\alpha_2}, \dots, X \setminus U_{\alpha_n}\}$  with empty intersection. That is  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n (X \setminus U_{\alpha_i}) = \emptyset$ . Taking the complements on both sides, we get  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n (U_{\alpha_i}) = X$  Hence  $X$  is semi\*regular compact.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.9.** Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a semi\*r-irresolute bijection. If  $X$  is semi\*r-compact, then so is  $Y$ .

*Proof.* Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a semi\*r-irresolute bijection and  $X$  be semi\*r-compact. Let  $\{V_\alpha\}$  be a semi\*regular open cover for  $Y$ . Then  $\{f^{-1}(V_\alpha)\}$  is a cover of  $X$  by semi\*regular open sets. Since  $X$  is semi\*r-compact,  $\{f^{-1}(V_\alpha)\}$  contains a finite subcover, namely  $\{f^{-1}(V_{\alpha_1}), f^{-1}(V_{\alpha_2}), \dots, f^{-1}(V_{\alpha_n})\}$ . Then  $\{V_{\alpha_1}, V_{\alpha_2}, \dots, V_{\alpha_n}\}$  is a finite subcover for  $Y$ . Thus  $Y$  is semi\*r-compact.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.10.** Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a semi\*r-continuous bijection and  $X$  be semi\*r-compact. Then  $Y$  is compact.

*Proof.* Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a semi\*r-continuous bijection and  $X$  be semi\*r-compact. Let  $\{V_\alpha\}$  be an open cover for  $Y$ . Then  $\{f^{-1}(V_\alpha)\}$  is a cover of  $X$  by semi\*regular open sets. Since  $X$  is semi\*r-compact,  $\{f^{-1}(V_\alpha)\}$  contains a finite subcover, namely  $\{f^{-1}(V_{\alpha_1}), f^{-1}(V_{\alpha_2}), \dots, f^{-1}(V_{\alpha_n})\}$ . Then  $\{V_{\alpha_1}, V_{\alpha_2}, \dots, V_{\alpha_n}\}$  is a cover for  $Y$ . Thus  $Y$  is compact.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.11.** Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a pre-semi\*regular open injection. If  $Y$  is semi\*r-compact, then so is  $X$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\{V_\alpha\}$  be a semi\*regular open cover for  $X$ . Then  $\{f(V_\alpha)\}$  is a cover of  $Y$  by semi\*regular open sets. Since  $Y$  is semi\*r-compact,  $\{f(V_\alpha)\}$  contains a finite subcover, namely  $\{f(V_{\alpha_1}), f(V_{\alpha_2}), \dots, f(V_{\alpha_n})\}$ . Since  $f$  is semi\*regular open injection,  $\{V_{\alpha_1}, V_{\alpha_2}, \dots, V_{\alpha_n}\}$  is a finite subcover for  $X$ . Therefore  $X$  is semi\*r-compact.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.12.** If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a semi\*regular open injection and  $Y$  is semi\*r-compact, then  $X$  is compact.

*Proof.* Let  $\{V_\alpha\}$  be an open cover for  $X$ . Then  $\{f(V_\alpha)\}$  is a cover of  $Y$  by semi\*regular open sets. Since  $Y$  is semi\*r-compact,  $\{f(V_\alpha)\}$  contains a finite subcover, namely  $\{f(V_{\alpha_1}), f(V_{\alpha_2}), \dots, f(V_{\alpha_n})\}$ . Since  $f$  is semi\*regular open injection,  $\{V_{\alpha_1}, V_{\alpha_2}, \dots, V_{\alpha_n}\}$  is a finite sub cover for  $X$ . Thus  $X$  is compact.  $\square$



**Theorem 4.13.** *Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a contra-semi\*r-continuous function and  $Y$  be  $T_1$ . If  $X$  is semi\*r-compact, then the range of  $f$  is finite. Further if  $Y$  is infinite,  $f$  cannot be onto.*

*Proof.* Since  $Y$  is  $T_1$ , for each  $y \in Y$ ,  $\{y\}$  is closed in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is contra-semi\*r-continuous, by Theorem 2.15 (3),  $f^{-1}(\{y\})$  is semi\*regular open in  $X$ . Therefore  $\{f^{-1}(\{y\}) : y \in Y\}$  is a semi\*regular open cover for  $X$ . Since  $X$  is semi\*r-compact, there are  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n$  in  $Y$  such that  $\{f^{-1}(\{y_i\}) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  is a cover of  $X$  by semi\*regular open sets. Therefore  $\cup\{f^{-1}(\{y_i\}) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} = X$ . That is,  $f^{-1}(\{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n\}) = X$ . This implies  $f(X) = \{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n\}$ . Thus the range of  $f$  is finite. If  $Y$  is infinite,  $f(X) \neq Y$ . Hence  $f$  cannot be onto.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.14.** *Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a contra-semi\*r-irresolute function and  $Y$  be semi\*r- $T_1$ . If  $X$  is semi\*r-compact, then the range of  $f$  is finite. Further if  $Y$  is infinite,  $f$  cannot be onto.*

*Proof.* Since  $Y$  is semi\*r- $T_1$ , for each  $y \in Y$ ,  $\{y\}$  is semi\*regular closed in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is contra-semi\*r-continuous, by Theorem 2.15 (4),  $f^{-1}(\{y\})$  is semi\*regular open in  $X$ . Therefore  $\{f^{-1}(\{y\}) : y \in Y\}$  is a semi\*regular open cover for  $X$ . Since  $X$  is semi\*r-compact, there are  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n$  in  $Y$  such that  $\{f^{-1}(\{y_i\}) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  is a cover of  $X$  by semi\*regular open sets. Therefore  $\cup\{f^{-1}(\{y_i\}) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} = X$ . That is,  $f^{-1}(\{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n\}) = X$ . This implies  $f(X) = \{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n\}$ . Thus the range of  $f$  is finite. If  $Y$  is infinite,  $f(X) \neq Y$ . Hence  $f$  cannot be onto.  $\square$

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