

## ON $b - \delta$ - OPEN SETS IN TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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### Abstract

*In this paper, we introduce a new class of sets called  $b-\delta$ -closed Sets in topological spaces. We study some of its basic properties and investigate properties of the collection of  $b-\delta$ -closures of sets in a topological space.*

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### 1 Introduction.

The notions of  $\delta$ -open sets,  $\delta$ -closed sets were introduced by Velicko [12] for the purpose of studying the important class of  $H$ -closed spaces. Dickman and Porter [3], [4], Joseph [6] and long and Herrington [7] continued the work of Velicko. Noiri [9], Dontchev and Ganster [5] have also obtained several new and interesting results related to these sets. Andrijevic initiated the study of  $b$ -open [1] sets. This notion has been studied extensively in recent years by many topologists. In this paper, we introduce a new class of sets called  $b-\delta$ -closed Sets in topological spaces. We study some of its basic properties and investigate properties of the collection of  $b-\delta$ -closures of sets in a topological space.

### 2 Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, spaces  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \tau)$  (or simply  $X$  and  $Y$ ) always mean topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed unless explicitly stated. Let  $A$  be a subset of a space  $(X, \tau)$ . We denote closure and interior of  $A$  by  $\text{cl}(A)$  and  $\text{int}(A)$ , respectively. The set  $A$  is said to be regular open (resp. regular closed) [11] if  $A = \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$  (resp.  $A = \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$ ). The family of all regular open (resp. Regular closed) sets of  $(X, \tau)$  is written by  $\text{RO}(X, \tau)$  (resp.  $\text{RC}(X, \tau)$ ). This family is closed under the finite intersections (resp. Finite unions). The topology generated by the family  $\text{RO}(X, \tau)$  is written by  $\tau_s$ . Since the intersection of two regular open sets is regular open, the collection of regular open sets forms a base for a coarser topology  $\tau_s$  than the original one  $\tau$ . The family  $\tau_s$

is called semi-regularization of  $\tau$ . A space  $(X, \tau)$  is called semi-regular [8] if  $\tau_s = \tau$ . The  $\delta$ -closure of  $A$  [12] is the set of all  $x$  in  $X$  such that the interior of every closed neighbourhood of  $x$  intersects  $A$  non trivially. The  $\delta$ -closure of  $A$  is denoted by  $cl_\delta(A)$  or  $\delta-cl(A)$ . The  $\delta$ -interior [12] of a subset  $A$  of  $X$  is the union of all regular open sets of  $X$  contained in  $A$  and is denoted by  $\delta-int(A)$ . The subset  $A$  is called  $\delta$ -open [12] if  $A = \delta-int(A)$ . i.e, a set is  $\delta$ -open if it is the union of regular open sets. The complement of  $\delta$ -open set is  $\delta$ -closed [12]. Alternatively, a set  $A \subset (X, \tau)$  is called  $\delta$ -closed [12] if  $A = \delta-cl(A)$ , where  $\delta-cl(A) = \{x \in X : int(cl(U)) \cap A \neq \phi, U \in \tau \text{ and } x \in U\}$ . i.e, family of  $\delta$ -open sets forms a topology on  $X$  and is denoted by  $\tau_\delta$ . It is well know that  $\tau_s = \tau_\delta$ . A subset  $A$  is said to be  $b$ -open [1] if  $A \subset cl(int(A)) \cup int(cl(A))$ . The complement of  $b$ -open is said to be  $b$ -closed [1]. The intersection of  $b$ -closed sets of  $X$  containing  $A$  is called  $b$ -closure of  $A$  [1] and denoted by  $bcl(A)$ . The union of all  $b$ -open sets of  $X$  contained in  $A$  is called  $b$ -interior of  $A$  [1] and is denoted by  $bint(A)$ . The subset  $A$  is  $b$ -regular [10] if it is  $b$ -open and  $b$ -closed. The family of  $b$ -open ( $b$ -closed,  $b$ -regular) sets of  $X$  is denoted by  $BO(X)$  ( resp.  $BC(X), BR(X)$  ) and family of all  $b$ -open ( $b$ -regular) sets of  $X$  containing a point  $x \in X$  is denoted by  $BO(X, x)$  ( resp.  $BR(X, x)$  ). A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $b-T_2$  [2] for any distinct pair of points  $x$  and  $y$  in  $X$ , there exists sets  $U$  and  $V$  in  $X$  containing  $x$  and  $y$  respectively such that  $U \cap V = \phi$ .

### 3. b - $\delta$ open sets.

**Definition: 3.1** A point  $x$  is of  $X$  is called  $b$ - $\delta$ -cluster point of  $A$  if  $int(bcl(U)) \cap A \neq \phi$  for every  $U \in BO(X, x)$ . The set of all  $b$ - $\delta$ -cluster point of  $A$  is called  $b$ - $\delta$ -closure of  $A$  and is denoted by  $b-\delta-cl(A)$ . A subset  $A$  is said to be  $b$ - $\delta$ -closed if  $A = b-\delta-cl(A)$ . The complement of a  $b$ - $\delta$ -closed set is said to be  $b$ - $\delta$ -open set. The family of all  $b$ - $\delta$ -open subsets of  $X$  is denoted by  $B_\delta O(X)$ .

**Theorem 3.2** (see [10]): Let  $A$  be a subset of a topological space  $X$ . Then

- (i)  $A \in BO(X)$  if and only if  $bcl(A) \in BR(X)$ .
- (ii)  $A \in BC(X)$  if and only if  $bint(A) \in BR(X)$ .

**Theorem : 3.3** For any subset  $A$  of a space  $X$ , the following hold:

$$\begin{aligned} b-\delta-cl(A) &= \bigcap \{V : A \subset V \text{ and } V \text{ is } b-\delta\text{-closed} \} \\ &= \bigcap \{V : A \subset V \text{ and } V \in BR(X) \}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. First, suppose that  $x \notin b-\delta-cl(A)$ . Then there exists  $V \in BO(X, x)$  such that  $int(bcl(V)) \cap A = \phi$ . By Theorem 3.2,  $X \setminus bcl(V)$  is  $b$ -regular and hence  $X \setminus bcl(V)$  is  $b$ - $\delta$ -closed set containing  $A$  and  $x \notin X \setminus bcl(V)$ . Therefore we have  $x \notin \bigcap \{V : A \subset V \text{ and } V \text{ is } b-\delta\text{-closed} \}$

Conversely, suppose that  $x \notin \bigcap \{V : A \subset V \text{ and } V \text{ is } b-\delta\text{-closed} \}$  There exists a  $b$ - $\delta$ -closed  $V$  such that  $A \subset V$  and  $x \notin V$ . There exists  $U \in BO(X)$  such that  $x \in U \subset bcl(U) \subset X \setminus V$ . Therefore, we have  $int(bcl(U)) \cap A \subset int(bcl(U)) \cap V = \phi$ . This shows that  $x \notin b-\delta-cl(A)$ . Similarly we can prove the second equality.

**Theorem: 3.4** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be any subsets of a space  $X$ . Then the following properties hold:

- (a)  $x \in b-\delta-cl(A)$  if and only if  $(int V) \cap A = \phi$  for each  $V \in BR(X, x)$ ,
- (b) If  $A \subset B$ , then  $b-\delta-cl(A) \subset b-\delta-cl(B)$ ,
- (c)  $b-\delta-cl(b-\delta-cl(A)) = b-\delta-cl(A)$ , a

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(d) if  $A_\alpha$  is  $b-\delta$ -closed in  $X$  for each  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ , then  $\bigcap_{\alpha \in \Lambda} A_\alpha$  is  $b-\delta$  closed in  $X$ .

Proof: The proofs of (a) and (b) are obvious.

(c) Generally we have  $b-\delta-cl(b-\delta-cl(A)) \supset b-\delta-cl(A)$ . Suppose that  $x \notin b-\delta-cl(A)$ . There exists  $V \in BR(X, x)$  such that  $(int V) \cap A = \emptyset$ . Since  $V \in BR(X)$ , we have  $(int V) \cap b-\delta-cl(A) = \emptyset$ . This shows that  $x \notin b-\delta-cl(b-\delta-cl(A))$ . Therefore, we obtain  $b-\delta-cl(b-\delta-cl(A)) \subset b-\delta-cl(A)$ .

(d) Let  $A_\alpha$  be  $b-\delta$ -closed in  $X$  for each  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ . For each  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ ,  $A_\alpha = b-\delta-cl(A_\alpha)$ , Hence we have

$$b-\delta-cl\left(\bigcap_{\alpha \in \Lambda} A_\alpha\right) \subset \left(\bigcap_{\alpha \in \Lambda}\right) b-\delta-cl(A_\alpha) = \left(\bigcap_{\alpha \in \Lambda} A_\alpha\right) \cap \left(\bigcap_{\alpha \in \Lambda} A_\alpha\right) \subset b-\delta-cl\left(\bigcap_{\alpha \in \Lambda} A_\alpha\right)$$

Therefore, we obtain  $b-\delta-cl\left(\bigcap_{\alpha \in \Lambda} A_\alpha\right) = \bigcap_{\alpha \in \Lambda} A_\alpha$ . This shows that  $\bigcap_{\alpha \in \Lambda} A_\alpha$  is  $b-\delta$  closed.

**Remark: 3.5** The union of two  $b-\delta$  closed sets is not necessarily  $b-\delta$  closed as shown by the following example.

**Example: 3.6.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $T = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . the

**Corollary: 3.7.** Let  $A$  and  $A_\alpha$  ( $\alpha \in \Lambda$ ) be any subset of a space  $X$ . Then the following properties hold:

- (a) if  $A$  is  $b-\delta$ -open in  $X$  if and only if for each  $x \in A$  there exists  $V \in BR(X, x)$  such that  $x \in V \subset A$ .
- (b)  $b-\delta-cl(A)$  is  $b-\delta$ -closed
- (c) if  $A_\alpha$  is  $b-\delta$ -open in  $X$  for each  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ , then  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} A_\alpha$  is  $b-\delta$ -open in  $X$ .

**Theorem: 3.8.** For a subset  $A$  of a space  $X$ , the following properties hold:

- (a) if  $A \in BO(X)$ , then  $b-cl(A) = b-\delta-cl(A)$ .
- (b)  $A \in BR(X)$  if and only if  $A$  is  $b-\delta$ -open and  $b-\delta$ -closed.

Proof. (a) Generally we have  $b-cl(B) \subset b-\delta-cl(B)$  for every subset  $B$  of  $X$ . Let  $A \in BO(X)$  and suppose that  $x \notin b-cl(A)$ . Then there exists  $V \in BO(X, x)$  such that  $V \cap A = \emptyset$ . Since  $A \in BO(X)$ , we have  $int(b-cl(V)) \cap A = \emptyset$ . This shows that  $x \notin b-\delta-cl(A)$ .

Hence we obtain  $b-cl(A) = b-\delta-cl(A)$ .

- (b) Let  $A \in BR(X)$ . Then  $A \in BO(X)$  and by (a),  $A = b-cl(A) = b-\delta-cl(A)$ . Therefore,  $A$  is  $b-\delta$ -closed. Since  $X \setminus A \in BR(X)$ , by the argument above  $X \setminus A$  is  $b-\delta$ -closed and hence  $b-\delta$ -open. The converse is obvious.

**Definition: 3.9.** A subset  $B$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , is said to be  $\delta$ -complement- $b$ -open (briefly  $\delta$ -c- $b$ -open) provided there exists a subset  $A$  of  $X$  for which  $X - B = b-\delta-cl(A)$ . We call a set  $\delta$ -complement- $b$ -closed if its complement is  $\delta$ -c- $b$ -open.

**Remark 3.10.** It should be mentioned that by Corollary 3.7,  $X - B = b-\delta-cl(A)$  is  $b-\delta$ -closed and  $B$  is  $b-\delta$ -open. Therefore, the equivalence of  $\delta$ -c- $b$ -open and  $b-\delta$ -open is obvious from the definition.

**Theorem 3.11.** If  $A \subseteq X$  is  $b$ -open, then  $b-int(b-\delta-cl(A))$  is  $b-\delta$ -open.

*Proof.* Since  $X - bint(bcl(A)) = bcl(X - bcl(A))$  then by complements  $bint(bcl(A)) = (X - bcl(X - bcl(A)))$ . Since  $X - (bcl(A) (=B, say))$  is  $b$ -open,  $b-cl(B) = (b-\delta-cl(B))$  from Theorem 3.8. Therefore, there exists a subset  $B = X - bcl(A)$  for which  $X - bint(b-cl(A)) = b-\delta-cl(B)$ . Hence  $bint(bcl(A))$  is  $b-\delta$ -open.

**Corollary 3.12.** If  $A \subseteq X$  is  $b$ -regular, then  $A$  is  $b-\delta$ -open.

*Proof.* Obvious by Theorem 3.8, since  $A$  is  $b$ -regular if and only if  $A = bint(bcl(A))$ .

**Theorem 3.13.**  $b-\delta$ -open is equivalent to  $b$ -regular if and only if  $b-\delta-cl(A)$  is  $b$ -regular for every set  $A \subseteq X$ .

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be topological space. Assume  $b-\delta$ -open is equivalent to  $b$ -regular and let  $A \subseteq X$ . Then by Corollary 3.7,  $X - b-\delta-cl(A)$  is  $b-\delta$ -open which implies that  $b-\delta-cl(A)$  is  $b$ -regular.

Conversely, assume  $b-\delta-cl(A)$  is  $b$ -regular for every set  $A$ . Suppose  $U$  is  $b-\delta$ -open and let  $A \subseteq X$  such that  $X - U = b-\delta-cl(A)$ . That is  $U = X - b-\delta-cl(A)$ . Then  $b-\delta-cl(A)$  is  $b$ -regular and  $U$  is  $b$ -regular. Therefore  $b-\delta$ -open is equivalent to  $b$ -regular.

**Theorem 3.14.** If  $B \subseteq X$  is  $b-\delta$ -open, then  $B$  is an union of  $b$ -regular sets.

*Proof.* Let  $B$  be  $b-\delta$ -open and let  $x \in B$ . Since  $B$  is  $b-\delta$ -open, then there exists a set  $A \subseteq X$  such that  $B = X - (b-\delta-cl(A))$ . Because  $x \notin b-\delta-cl(A)$ , there exists a  $b$ -open set  $W$  for which  $x \in W$  and  $int(bcl(W)) \cap A \neq \phi$ . Hence  $x \in bint(bcl(W)) \subseteq X - (b-\delta-cl(A))$ , where  $b-int(bcl(W)) (= V(say)) \in BR(X)$ , that is,  
 $B = \bigcup \{V : V \subseteq B, V \in BR(X)\}$ .

**Corollary 3.15.** If  $B$  is  $b-\delta$ -closed then  $B$  is the intersection of  $b$ -regular sets.

#### 4. On $b-\delta$ -D<sub>i</sub> closed ( resp. $b-\delta$ -T<sub>i</sub> ) topological spaces:

Now, we study some classes of topological spaces in terms of the concept of  $b-\delta$ -open sets. The relations with other notions, directly or indirectly connected with these classes are investigated.

**Definition: 4.1.** A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called a  $b-\delta$ -D set if there are two sets  $U, V \in \mathcal{B}_\delta \mathcal{O}(X)$  such that  $U \neq X$  and  $A = U - V$ .

It is true that every  $b-\delta$ -open set  $U$  different from  $X$  is a  $b-\delta$ -D set if  $A = U$  and  $V = \phi$ .

**Definition: 4.2.** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $b-\delta$ -D<sub>0</sub> if for any distinct pair of points  $x$  and  $y$  of  $X$ , there exists a  $b-\delta$ -D set of  $X$  containing one of the points but not the other.

**Definition: 4.3.** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $b-\delta$ -D<sub>1</sub> if for any distinct pair of points  $x$  and  $y$  of  $X$ , there exists a  $b-\delta$ -D set  $F$  of  $X$  containing  $x$  but not  $y$  and a  $b-\delta$ -D set  $G$  of  $X$  containing  $y$  but not  $x$ .

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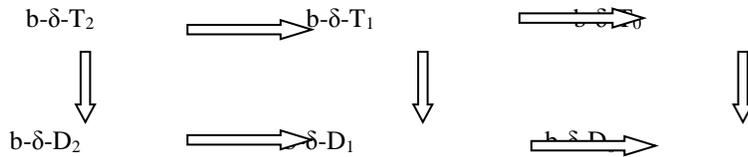
**Definition: 4.4.** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $b-\delta-D_2$  if for any distinct pair of points  $x$  and  $y$  of  $X$ , there exists a disjoint  $b-\delta-D$  sets  $G$  and  $E$  of  $X$  containing  $x$  and  $y$  respectively.

**Definition: 4.5.** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $b-\delta-T_0$  if for any distinct pair of points in  $X$ , there exists a  $b-\delta$ -open set containing one of the points but not the other.

**Definition: 4.6.** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $b-\delta-T_1$  if for any distinct pair of points  $x$  and  $y$  of  $X$ , there exists a  $b-\delta$ -open  $U$  in  $X$  containing  $x$  but not  $y$  and a  $b-\delta$ -open set  $V$  in  $X$  containing  $y$  but not  $x$ .

**Definition: 4.7.** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $b-\delta-T_2$  if for any distinct pair of points  $x$  and  $y$  of  $X$ , there exists a  $b-\delta$ -open sets  $U$  and  $V$  in  $X$  containing  $x$  and  $y$ , respectively, such that  $U \cap V = \phi$ .

**Remark:4.8.** From Definition 4.1 to 4.7, we obtain the following diagram:



**Theorem: 4.9.** If a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is  $b-\delta-T_0$  then it is  $b-\delta-T_2$ .

Proof. For any points  $x \neq y$ , let  $V$  be a  $b-\delta$ -open such that  $x \in V$  and  $y \notin V$ . Then, there exists  $U \in BO(X)$  such that  $x \in U \subseteq b-cl(U) \subseteq V$ . By Theorem 3.8,  $b-cl(U) \in BR(X)$ . Then  $b-cl(U)$  is  $b-\delta$ -open and also  $X - b-cl(U)$  is a  $b-\delta$ -open set containing  $y$ . Therefore,  $X$  is  $b-\delta-T_2$

**Theorem: 4.10.** For a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , the six properties in the diagram are equivalent.

Proof. By Theorem 4.9, we have that  $b-\delta-T_0$  implies  $b-\delta-T_2$ . Now we prove that  $b-\delta-D_0$  implies  $b-\delta-T_2$ . Let  $(X, \tau)$  be  $b-\delta-D_0$  so that for any distinct pair of points  $x$  and  $y$  of  $X$ , one of them belongs to a  $b-\delta-D$  set  $A$ . Therefore, we choose  $x \in A$  and  $y \notin A$ . Suppose  $A = U - V$  for which  $U \neq X$  and  $U, V \in B_\delta O(X)$ . This implies that  $x \in U$ . For the case that  $y \notin A$  we have (i)  $y \notin U$ , (ii)  $y \in U$  and  $y \in V$ . For (i), the space  $X$  is  $b-\delta-T_0$  since  $x \in U$  but  $y \notin U$ . For (ii), the space  $X$  is also  $b-\delta-T_0$  since  $y \in V$  but  $x \notin V$ .

**Definition:4.11.** Let  $x$  be point of  $X$  and  $V$  a subset of  $X$ . The set  $V$  is called a  $b-\delta$ -neighborhood of  $x$  in  $X$  if there exists a  $b-\delta$ -open set  $A$  of  $X$  such that  $x \in A \subseteq V$ .

**Definition:4.12.** A point  $x \in X$  which has only  $X$  as the  $b-\delta$ -neighborhood is called a point common to all  $b-\delta$ -closed sets ( $b-\delta$ -cc).

**Theorem :4.13.** If a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is  $b-\delta-D_1$  then  $(X, \tau)$  has no  $b-\delta$ -cc -point

Proof. Since is  $(X, \tau)$  is  $b-\delta-D_1$  so each point  $x$  of  $X$  is contained in a  $b-\delta-D$  set,  $A = U - V$  and thus in  $U$ . By definition  $U \neq X$  and this implies that  $x$  is not a  $b-\delta$ -cc-point.

**Definition:4.14.** A subset A of topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called a quasi b- $\delta$ -closed (briefly qbd -closed) set if  $b-\delta-cl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $(A) \subseteq U$  and U is b- $\delta$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 4.15.** For a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  the following properties hold:

- (i) For each pair of points x and y in X,  $x \in b-\delta-cl(\{y\})$  implies  $y \in b-\delta-cl(\{x\})$
- (ii) For each  $x \in X$ , the singleton  $\{x\}$  is qbd-closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

Proof. (i): Let  $y \notin b-\delta-cl(\{x\})$ . This implies that there exists  $V \in BO(X, y)$  such that  $\text{int}(bcl(V)) \cap \{x\} = \emptyset$  and  $X - bcl(V) \in BR(X, x)$  which means that  $x \notin b-\delta-cl(\{y\})$ . (ii): Suppose that  $U \in BO_\delta(X)$ . This implies that there exists  $V \in BO(X)$  such that  $x \in V \subseteq bcl(V) \subseteq U$ . Now we have  $b-\delta-cl(\{x\}) \subseteq b-\delta-cl(V) = bcl(V) \subseteq U$ .

**Definition: 4.16.** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be b- $\delta$ - $T_{1/2}$  if every qbd-closed set is b- $\delta$ -closed.

**Theorem:4.17.** For a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  the following are equivalent:

- (i)  $(X, \tau)$  is b- $\delta$ - $T_{1/2}$ ;
- (ii)  $(X, \tau)$  is b- $\delta$ - $T_1$ .

Proof. (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii): For distinct points x,y of X,  $\{x\}$  is qbd-closed by Theorem 4.15. By hypothesis,  $X - \{x\}$  is b- $\delta$ -open and  $y \in X - \{x\}$ . By the same token,  $y \in X - \{y\}$  and  $X - \{y\}$  is b- $\delta$ -open. Therefore,  $(X, \tau)$  is b- $\delta$ - $T_1$ .

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) : Suppose that A is a qbd-closed set which is not b- $\delta$ -closed. There exists  $x \in [b-\delta-cl(A)] - A$ . For each  $a \in A$ , there exists a b- $\delta$ -open set  $V_a$  such that  $a \in V_a$  and  $x \notin V_a$ . Since  $A \subseteq \bigcup_{a \in V_a} V_a$  and  $\bigcup_{a \in V_a} V_a$  is b- $\delta$ -open, we have  $b-\delta-cl(A) \subseteq \bigcup_{a \in V_a} V_a$ . Since  $x \in b-\delta-cl(A)$ , there exists  $a_0 \in A$  such that  $x \in V_{a_0}$ . But this is a contradiction.

**Theorem 4.18.** For a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , the following are equivalent:

- (i)  $(X, \tau)$  is b- $\delta$ - $T_2$ ;
- (ii)  $(X, \tau)$  is b- $T_2$

Proof. (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) This is obvious since every b- $\delta$ -open set is b- $\delta$ -open.

(i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) : Let x and y be distinct points of X. There exist b-open sets U and V such that  $x \in U$ ,  $y \in V$  and  $bcl(U) \cap bcl(V) = \emptyset$ . Since bcl(U) and bcl(V) are b-regular, then they b- $\delta$ -open and hence  $(X, \tau)$  is b- $\delta$ - $T_2$ .

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