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#### Abstract

Many studies have been conducted on properties of bitopological spaces and aspects of continuity over a long period of time and different results have been obtained so far. However, pointwise characterization of various aspects of continuity has not been done in bitopological spaces. Moreover, our work is aiming at establishing particular separation criteria for bitopological and spaces where N > 2. This therefore calls for an indepth study of continuity and separability in bitopological spaces. The objectives of the study were to: characterize notion of ij-continuity in bitopological spaces; establish separation criteria for bitopological spaces via *ij*-continuity; and determine extensions of continuity and separability in N-topological spaces. The methodologies involved use of criterion for continuity, criteria for inverse continuity, separation axioms and conditions for normality. The results showed that various continuity notions such as  $\pi_{\lambda}$ ,  $\theta_{\eta}$  and  $\pi_{d}$  exist in bitopological spaces. For separation criteria, the results showed that if bitopological spaces are  $T_0$ ,  $T_1$ ,  $T_2$  and  $T_{\frac{5}{2}}$  then  $T_0, T_1, T_2$  and  $T_{\frac{5}{2}}$  properties are both topological and hereditary. For extension and separability in N-topological spaces results indicated that properties can be naturally extended to N-topological spaces. The results obtained are useful in studying topological deformations such as stretching which is fundamental in understanding the shape and structure of the universe and formulations of real functions and topological mappings. Our results also help in deep understanding of molecular biology more particularly on DNA structure. Our results also play a great role in understanding the applications of computer topology such as line, ring, star and hybrid topologies.

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X to $Y$	
$\pi_{\lambda}$ open set	
$\chi^{-1}(H)$ Inverse of a function	
$\chi$ of $H$	$\pi_{\lambda}B(Z)$
$x \in H_x$ An element $x$ is in	
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# Chapter 1

# INTRODUCTION

### **1.1** Mathematical Background

A bitopological space is a mathematical notion that was first introduced by Kelly [39] in the study of quasi-metrics. A metric or distance function can be defined as a distance between each pair of point elements of a set. The authors Levine [48] and John [36] stated that any metric space has some metric distance. A nonempty set with a metric structure is also referred to as metric space under certain conditions which are satisfied by axioms. Topological and bitopological spaces involve structures which are endowed by topologies or structures.

A nonempty set X is said to be a bitopological space if and only if it is equipped with two topologies say  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$ . Therefore,  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a bitopological space. Researcher Martina [47] defined a bitopological space to be a space that is endowed by two topologies which are quasimetrics. From the work done by Kocinac [43] and Piyali [59] also stated that a bitopological space is equipped with two topologies. The work that was effected by Arhangel'skii [10] gave an account on quasimetrics as topological structures induced on a set by a metric. A bitopological spaces can exhibit some general characteristics for instance compactability. If a space has an open cover with finite subcovers then that space is said to be compact. The result of the work that was done by Sasikala [65] and Steve [71] affirmed that the union of the topologies is a member of the open cover in a bitopological space.

Every open cover has the finite subcovers which are the cardinality of such sets. Secondly, we consider openness as a property that is exhibited by bitopological spaces. An open bitopological space is from a set that has no limits that is both lower and upper limits. Open sets contain all the interior points Gurnn [27] and Allama [3]. A subspace is semi-closed if the interior closure of that set is subset of itself.

Next, bitopological spaces are seen to have closedness property. Researchers Henri [28] and Budney [16] stated that closedness is a basic concept in mathematical related areas. Points are closed to each other if they are next to each other. Given that a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is closed then; the empty set and the entire set X are closed sets. Moreover, Van [78] gave that the intersection of any collection of closed sets is also closed. Lastly, the union of any finite collection of closed sets is itself also closed.

Another property exhibited by bitopological spaces is normality. Suppose that a topological space is normal then its bitopological space is also normal. Bitopological spaces also exhibit normality as a property since it can be extended from the topological spaces to bitopological spaces as seen from the work of Birman [15] and David [21]. Normality is when the two disjoint closed sets are separated by an open set. According to Singal [69] it is indicted that a space can be perfectly normal if that space admits enough continuous real valued functions. Bitopological spaces are termed to be normal by extension from the topological spaces. The fact that topological structures are induced with the properties of normality.

Consequently bitopological spaces will inherit same property by extension. However, the condition of two disjoint closed sets being separated by open set must be met. Hence, any bitopological space that satisfy these conditions must be normal. The scholars Tkachenko [76] and Just [37] in the study of K-normality of dense topological subspaces stated that a normal space is not necessarily normal in a bigger space. Furthermore, separability is a property that is exhibited by bitopological spaces.

From the work of Nour [52] a separable bitopological space is defined as a space with a set containing dense subset of finite cardinality for instance when we have a sequence  $x_n$  where n ranges from 1 to  $\infty$ . Any infinite countable is a separable space. Separation axioms that have been implied by different authors in their studies involve: Kolmogorov space, Fretchet space, Hausdorff space, Urysohn space, Regular Hausdorff space, Tychonoff space, Normal Hausdorff space, Completely Hausdorff space and Perfectly Normal Hausdorff space.

These separation axioms are denoted as  $T_0$ ,  $T_1$ ,  $T_2$ ,  $T_{2\frac{1}{2}}$ . Regarding Ananga [5] it is stated that they are separation axioms since they define the notion of topological spaces. These separation axioms may be used as extra conditions to describe the structures of what spaces are. Some topological structures may be considered as infra topologies and supra topologies. These topologies continuously map elements from domain to codomain of different sets. They deal with two universal sets simultaneously hence they are very vital in mathematics analysis. A single structure called binary structures has been constructed by Marcus [47] and Nicolas [50] which give information about two universal sets and this can as well be initiated to the concepts of binary topological spaces. For the finite and countable cardinality in a bitopological space, a function mapping any of these spaces are continuous. From the work that was done by Karel [38] the result shows that a subset of a Hausdorff space is countable dense.

A function mapping a separable space to another space is intern separable Kilcman [44]. In order to carry out a study of any topological space, one would consider the restrictions that are involved and hence imply the separation axioms to determine which topological or bitopological space to be under taken. Some of the separation axioms that this study considers are:  $T_0$ - Kolmogorov space,  $T_1$ -Frechét space,  $T_2$ -Housdorff space,  $T_{2\frac{1}{2}}$ -Urysohn space,  $T_3$ -Regular Housdorff space,  $T_{3\frac{1}{2}}$ -Tychonoff space,  $T_4$ -Normal Housdorff,  $T_5$ -Completely normal Housdorff, and  $T_6$ -Perfectly normal Housdorff.  $T_1$ - space or Frechét space is a bitopological space in which every two disjoints closed subsets are topologically separated by neighborhoods. Some of the separation axioms imply each other.

For instance, Kolmogorov space implies Fretchet space. Kolmogorov is a space that has two disjoint sets that are topologically separated by two open sets in that space. If one open set is a member of a set in that space then it suffices that the other open set does not exists in that set. The intersection of open sets in Frechét spaces is not an empty set, this consequently applies to Kolmogorov spaces. Bitopological spaces show continuity property when mapping is done from one bitopological space to another. Some of the aspects of continuity of bitopological spaces where research has been done include weak continuity, semi continuity, strong continuity among others. Continuity refers to the mapping of elements from one space to another without any break occurring. Continuity is the smooth movement of a function without any stop that causes discontinuity. Continuity is determined by functions.

From the work done by Caldas [18] shows that a continuous a function maps one bitopological space to another space is continuous if and only if it is continuous at each point. As stated in Albowi [4] a function gthat is mapping elements of one bitopological space to another bitopological space. Hence, g is a continuous function. Likewise a function fmapping a bitopological space X to a bitopological Y is continuous if  $f: (X, \tau_1) \to (Y, \tau_1)$ , David [20]. Similarly,  $f: (X, \tau_2) \to (Y, \tau_2)$  then this function is said to have pairwise property since it is mapping members of same topologies from one space to another. Results from Fora [25] states that a function is pairwise continuous if it maps open point from one bitopological space to another independently.

Suppose both discrete and trivial topological structures are induced to different bitopological spaces. Then any function mapping an open subset from trivial bitopological space to another trivial space is also continuous as indicted by Samer [64]. Most aspects of continuity can be extended from one space to other spaces given that a function mapping them is continuous. These are weak continuity, strong continuity, semi continuity, and local continuity. This can be obtained by the use criterion for continuity as a methodology. From the work that was done by Ananga [5] on the study of strong continuity and almost continuity it is observed that weak invariant, strong invariant and other invariants of continuity occur and arise in very many ways in the field of mathematics. The notion of strong continuity was first undertaken by Levine [48]. For topological spaces that exhibit the homeomorphic property, any function mapping them is continuous. In addition, the inverse of this function is also continuous. Methodology of continuity is applicable as well when undertaking a study of continuity in different topological spaces. Criterion for continuity as methodology can also be employed when we have three bitopological spaces for instance  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2), (Y, \delta_1, \delta_2)$  and  $(Z, \eta_1, \eta_2)$ . Suppose  $f : X \to Y$  and  $g : Y \to Z$  then f and g are continuous functions as it is given by Aly-Nafie [8].

Thaikua [75] gave open definition of the word function as an object that depends on another factor or factors. For instance, plants that grow in the field depend on factors like climate, soil type and other environmental factors. The study conducted by Parvinder [56] also gave definition of a function as a mathematical object that relates input also called domain to an output that is also called codomain.

Some functions have both forward and reverse mapping of elements between topological spaces. Reverse functions undo the forward mapping of the elements. Suppose the function f is obtained by squaring the elements from the domain space, then the inverse of a function f is obtained by determining the square root of elements from codomain. From the work of Einsiedler [23] states that a bitopological space is said to be continuous if and only if one bitopological space can be mapped to another bitopological space by a function f. When a function f maps elements from a domain topological structure to another corresponding elements in codomain then it is pairwise. For instance when a function independently maps elements of topological structures in one space to another space then, the function is said to be pairwise continuous as stated by Archana [9]. In our work, we have tried to focus more on some particular aspects of continuity that are exhibited by bitopological spaces. Studies which were done by some authors such as Birman [15] and Abu-Donia [6] showed that these aspects of continuity can as well be extended from one space to other spaces. In topology and related areas of studies exhibit these aspects of continuity which include: Weak continuity, Strong continuity, Semi continuity, and Local continuity. From the Kohli [42] in the study of strong continuity and almost continuity stated that several weak, strong and other invariants of continuity occur and arise in very many ways in the field of mathematics. The notion of strong continuity was introduced by Levine [48]. Later the study of strong continuity was studied by very other authors. For instance Noiri [51] initiated the  $\sigma$ -continuity. Study on weak continuity was carried out by Van [78] and Tahilini [73] stated that a function is weakly continuous if and if the inverse of every open set in codomain is also open in the domain space. To understand this work better, we outline some basic concepts in the next section.

### **1.2** Basic Concepts

This section outlines the basic concepts which are useful in understanding this study.

**Definition 1.1.** [39, Definition 1.2] A bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a space that is endowed with two independent topologies say  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$ denoted as  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ .

**Definition 1.2.** A function  $\chi$  is said to be  $\theta_{\eta}$ -continuous if the inverse of open set in a bitopological space is  $\theta$ -open set in a bitopological space X.

**Definition 1.3.** [42, Definition 2.1] Given that a function f is mapping a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  to topological space  $(Y, \delta)$  then f is said to be; strongly continuous if the inverse every open set in Y is open in  $(X, \tau)$ . A function f is perfectly continuous if every open set in topological space  $(Y, \delta)$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Remark 1.4.** [33, Remark 3.12] If  $f : (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$  is g-closed and  $g : (Y, \sigma) \to (Z, \gamma)$  is closed, then their composition need not to be a g-closed map.

**Definition 1.5.** [63, Definition 2.6] A bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is called  $T_1$  space if for all elements x and y are members of X where  $x \neq y$ . Then there exists an open set  $U \in \tau_1$  and open set  $V \in \tau_2$  such that x is a member of U and y is a member of V.

**Definition 1.6.** A function  $\chi : X \to Y$  is *ij*-continuous if and only if the inverse image *j*-open in a bitopological space  $(Y, \delta_1, \delta_2)$  is *i*-open in a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ .

**Definition 1.7.** [1, Definition 1.4] A bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is called pairwise  $T_0$  if and only if for any two distinct points  $x, y \in X$ , there exists a set  $U \in \tau_1 \cup \tau_2$  such that  $x \in U$ .

**Remark 1.8.** A topological space  $\pi B(X, \tau)$  shows open subsets in a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Example 1.9.** [14, Example 3.10] There exists a separable countably compact Tychonoff space X containing open countably compact disjoint subsets  $U_0$  and  $U_1$  such that the intersection  $U_0 \cap U_1$  is weakly separable but non separable.

**Definition 1.10.** [40, Definition 3.2] A mapping  $f : X \to Y$  is called  $ij - \beta$ -continuous (resp. ij-precontinuous,  $ij - \alpha$ -continuous) if and only if the inverse of each *i*-open set in Y is  $ij - \beta$ -open (resp. ij-preopen,  $ij - \alpha$ -open) in X. A function f is therefore said to be pairwise if and only if it is ij - Q where  $Q = \beta$  continuous, precontinuous, or  $\alpha$ -continuous.

**Definition 1.11.** [73, Definition 3.4] Let  $(X, N\tau)$  be an an N-TS. If for each decreasing (respectively increasing)  $N\tau$ -closed subset W in X and for each s does not belongs to W there exists an  $N\tau$ -neighbourhood G of sand an  $N\tau$ -neighbourhood H of W such that G is increasing (respectively decreasing). An  $N\tau - T_1$  space  $N\tau$ -regular space is said to be  $N\tau - T_3$ .

**Definition 1.12.** [73, Definition 3.4] Given that  $(X, N_{\tau})$  is *N*-topological space then if  $N_{\tau_1}$ -open set and  $N_{\tau_2}$  are disjoint points which are separated by open neighborhoods. Hence  $N_{\tau} - \tau_1$  space is  $N_{\tau}$ -regular space.

**Definition 1.13.** A subset W of X is said to be  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in X if and only if the  $\overline{W} \subset W$ . A function  $\chi : X \to Y$  is said to be  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous.

**Definition 1.14.** [75, Definition 2.5]  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, ..., \tau_N)$  is said to be *N*-topological space is a space if it is equipped with *N* arbitrary number of topologies.

# **1.3** Statement of the Problem

Some open questions on aspects of continuity in bitopological spaces have been raised for over a long period of time. From the research that was conducted by [2] on pairwise continuity in bitopological spaces. The main question posted was that what happens if we consider topologies N > 2?. In our study, we looked at some aspects of *ij*-continuity in bitopological spaces and topological spaces with N > 2. On separability, quite a number of separation axioms have been studied by different authors such as Ruppaya and Hossain [63], Nour [52], Piyali and Binod [59] among others.

However, unique and new criteria arise quiet often and this notion of separability has never been exhausted particularly on topological spaces where number of topologies are more than two. The fact that some concepts of separation axioms in bitopological spaces satisfy topological and heredity properties. Rupaya and Hossain [63] asked a question that Are there particular separation axioms that act only on bitopological spaces. In our study we have considered this question and tried to establish separation axioms for bitopological spaces via ij-continuity. We have also tried to show the extension of semi-continuity, strong continuity and weak continuity as aspects of continuity and separation axioms in N-topological spaces by the use of notion of ij-continuity.

# 1.4 Objectives of the Study

#### 1.4.1 Main objective

The main objective of this study was to characterize continuity and separability in bitopological spaces.

#### 1.4.2 Specific objectives

The specific objectives of this study were:

- (i). Characterize notion of *ij*-continuity in bitopological spaces.
- (ii). Establish separation criteria for bitopological spaces via *ij*-continuity.
- (iii). Determine extensions of continuity and separation axioms in Ntopological spaces.

# 1.5 Significance of the Study

The study of bitopological spaces is vital since it is a very powerful tool in almost every field of contemporary mathematics such as general topology, real analysis, metric spaces, function analysis among others. A bitopological space gives a complex nature of the examples to which the theory applies. This can in turn assist in achieving great economy effort if one proof can be applied to many contexts for instance, continuous functions in bitopological spaces help in computing output in mathematics based on the relation between various important variables in contemporary society which is relevant in construction industries and factories.

Our results are applied in the areas of general topology and functional analysis. The answer to the question on weather properties of bitopological spaces and its aspects of continuity can be extended to *N*-topological spaces aid in understanding the deformations of topological and bitopological spaces such as stretching which explain the shape and structure of the universe and formulation of real functions. Our results also help in deep understanding of molecular biology more particularly on DNA structure.

# Chapter 2

# LITERATURE REVIEW

### 2.1 Introduction

This chapter entails a review of related literature for some aspects of continuity in topological and bitopological spaces. We also consider literature for separation axioms that have been described by different authors in both topological and bitopological spaces.

# 2.2 Continuity in bitopological spaces

This part describes continuity as a property of bitopological spaces.

**Proposition 2.1.** [35, Proposition 2.3] A bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a space that is equipped with two topologies.

Proposition 2.1 clearly indicates the twin topology structure in a bitopological space. Some scholars such as Jesper [35] and Marcus [46] showed that when a non empty set is equipped with twin topological structures say  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  then that space becomes a bitopological space denoted as  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ . Work carried out by Fuad [26] on some properties exhibited by these structures shows that a bitopological space has two structures. For compactness the results show that the union of these structures have their subcovers in these structures. Compactness property exhibited by more than two topological structures has not been exhausted. In our study we have shown that a non empty set X can as well be endowed by N-topologies. Bitopological spaces are seen to be continuous as described by Fora [25] and Ittanagi [30]. Continuity in bitopological spaces is when a function maps space to another without any break as given by Nada [49].

A function f that maps one bitopological space to another bitopological space can as well map each closed sets which are members of a bitopological space then that function is also said to be continuous as stated by Duszynski [22]. Bitopological spaces can be clopen this is seen from research work that was done by Kumar [45] also explains that clopen set is when the structures are both open and closed. A function that is mapping closed set from domain space to a codomain space is said to be a closed function. This shows clearly that bitopological spaces exhibit closedness and open properties. Since bitopological spaces are equipped and endowed by two independent topologies or topological structures as a result of this two topologies exhibit many properties to the space such as closedness, openness, normality, compactness, continuity among others. Continuity of bitopological spaces exhibit some forms and aspects of continuity which may include weak continuity, strong continuity, semi continuity, global continuity, almost continuity among others. Some of the literary work that have been done on these aspects of continuity by different authors are given by the following algebraic obstructions.

**Theorem 2.2.** [4, Theorem 1.2] Given that  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (X', \delta_1, \delta_2)$ then a function f is continuous.

Theorem 2.2 shows that a function f maps one bitopological space to another bitopological space. A function f maps every open set in domain to its open image in codomain. The inverse image of every open set in codomain can also be mapped by a function f to open set in domain. From Kelly [39] it is stated that pairwise continuity is when a function fmaps definite structures from one space to another. Consequently, topological structure  $\tau_1$  in one space is mapped to  $\tau_1$  in space two.

Mapping that involve more than two structures in topological spaces have not been worked on adequately. In our study, we have considered a map from one bitopological space to another bitopological space which are endowed by different topologies more than two. Bitopological spaces may have covers which is a member of the union of the topological structures. When there exists a finite subcover then this space has compactness property as stated by Arunmanan [11] and James [34] in their studies.

Moreover, we have considered the compact property in bitopological spaces when  $U_i$  such that  $i \in I$  must contain more than one member from topological structures. For locally compact regular spaces there exists a neighborhood. A study in compactification was also initiated by Simon, [68]. Result showed that every locally compact regular space there exists a neighborhood at each point of closed set. However, this has not been shown on clopen topological spaces. The researchers Albowi [4] and Ivan [31] conducted a study on compactness property. The result shows that when a function mapping a bitopological space to another is continuous then, it has compactness property. Suppose  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Y, \delta_1, \delta_2)$ then if  $f : (X, \tau_1) \to (Y, \delta_1)$  and also  $f : (X, \tau_2) \to (Y, \delta_2)$ . A function f is therefore continuous and is compact if the bitopological spaces are pairwise compact to each other. Kelly [39] conducted a research on pairwise compactness. Results show that when a bitopological has an open cover say U and if i is a member of U then open cover  $U_i$  exists in the union of two topological structures. In our study we have considered compactness in N-topological spaces. A bitopological space is pairwise Hausdorff if it has two disjoint points which are topologically separated by open sets. Each disjoint is a member of respective open set.

Normality is a property that is seen in spaces. A space is said to be normal if disjoint closed sets can be separated by open neighborhoods and the intersection of the open sets is empty.

**Theorem 2.3.** [39, Theorem 2.7] Given that  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a bitopological space then it is a pairwise normal space.

Theorem 2.3 illustrates that the product of two independent topologies is not normal as given by Kelly, [39]. If we have  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  to be a be the real line with metrics  $\tau_1(,)$  and  $\tau_2(,)$  defined on quasi-psuedometrics  $\tau_1(,), \tau_2(,)$  and U(,), V(,). In our study we have considered that the product of same topologies in independent spaces are not necessarily normal as affirmed by David [21].

A function f that maps one bitopological space to another is said to be homeomorphic continuous if and only f is continuous or if the inverse of f is also continuous. Tala [74] conducted a study to show that given two bitopological spaces then, a function is said to be continuous the open inverse subset in the codomain space is also open in domain space. We have shown the same aspect in tritopological space in our study.

Research that was carried out by Abdalla [1] indicates that a function f can map one bitopological space to another bitopological space if it is a bijective function. However, continuity is not differentiated whether in closed, open or homeomorphic bitopological spaces. In our work, we have presented these properties with topologies that equip non empty sets. Closedness property of bitopological spaces is observed when both empty set and that set itself are closed. Therefore, for these spaces to exhibit closedness property the following axioms must be fulfilled as showed by Sheik [66].

The aspect of normality and separation axioms such as  $T_0$  and  $T_1$ in topological spaces was also done by Einsiedler [23]. If  $T_1$ -space of a bitopological space X is said to be normal on another bitopological space Y. Then it implies that Y is also a Tychonoff space. Therefore, A function f is continuous at each point if and only if there is a member of space X and is an open subset which is mapped to space Y. Likewise the inverse of every open subset in codomain space is also open in X. In our study, we have considered a  $T_{\frac{5}{2}}$ -space.

From Piyali [58] it implies that any function that is mapping a bitopological space to another space is continuous if and only if the inverse of the codomain is a member of the domain and also the inverse of the domain is in the codomain space. When both discrete and trivial topological structures equip different spaces then functions f and h that are mapping each discrete topological space to another and trivial bitopological space to another are also considered to be continuous.

A scholar Bhattacharya [17] conducted study on openness as a property of bitopological spaces. Given that two topologies  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  are open then their union is also open. In our study we have presented openness property in *N*-topologies by showing that the union of *N*-topologies are also open. Study from Nicolas [50] indicated that a function f mapping a bitopological space to another is seen to be open if and only if their pairwise mappings are also open. However this property has not been shown with spaces with more than two topologies. In our study we have considered this in *N*-topological spaces.

Homeomorphism is a property that is seen in bitopological spaces when a mapping function f is bijective this was shown by Ravi [61] and Adem [2]. We have considered in our study homeomorphism in three successive bitopological spaces which are endowed by different topologies. For separability in topological spaces there are countable dense subsets of the sets that form bitopological spaces. The fact that a subspace is pairwise dense is shown from the work of Abdalla [1]. This is because closure of the subset of one topological implies the closure of another topological space as well as that of set X and can be continuously mapped to another topological space. Our study has shown that bitopological spaces exhibit countable dense subset which must be a member bitopological spaces.

Study on on connectedness and compactness was effected by Arunmanan [11] and Pervin [57]. The results show that if a domain space is locally connected then it suffices that the codomain has an element which is normal. The existence of a subspace of cardinality of the intersection of open neighborhoods is not shown. For local connected spaces and their dense subspaces are seen to be normal and hence for every open neighborhood there exist open subsets which are members of that set. For a surjective function f that maps a complete regular spaces to each other. If the inverse of the codomain space is in the domain space is compact. Hence any element in the codomain space is an almost regular spaces. Birman [15] carried out a study on almost completely continuous surjection. Results show that a function maps a clopen sets to another a clopen sets. In our study we have shown the mapping of closed sets to clopen sets from one space to another.

**Corollary 2.4.** [53, Corollary 5.6] Suppose f is mapping a completely continuous closed space. Then that function is surjective.

Corollary 2.4 indicates that a function mapping one bitopological space to another is completely continuous closed if every subset in codomain is regular. Researcher John [36] conducted a study on the composition of functions mapping three successive bitopological spaces  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ ,  $(Y, \delta_1, \delta_2)$  and  $(Z, \eta_1, \eta_2)$ . The composition of two functions mapping spaces is continuous as well. In our study we have also considered the composition of three functions on continuity aspect. The composition of functions g and f implies that  $f: (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Y, \delta_1, \delta_2)$  and  $g: (Y, \delta_1, \delta_2) \to$  $(Z, \eta_1, \eta_2)$ . Then it suffices that  $g \circ f: (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Z, \eta_1, \eta_2)$  is also continuous as indicated by Kim [41] and Coy [19].

A function f that is mapping one bitopological space to another bitopological space is said to be continuous if the inverse of the codomain contains a member that is closed in the codomain space. In our study we have extended this concept to N-topological spaces. Suppose two functions are mapping one topological or bitopological space to another independently then they are continuous. Then the composition of these two functions mapping the first topological or bitopological to the third bitopological space is also said to be continuous. As stated by Jafari [33] and Swart [72] let X and Y be bitopological spaces, f is a function mapping X to Y. Then f is homeomorphic if it continuous, if f is a one to one and onto which implies implies that the inverse of Y is in X. It is also homeomorphic when its inverse is also continuous.

For the composition of the two functions to be completely continuous then it implies that one of the functions must be almost continuous and the other function must be able to map a regular open set to another regular open set.

**Theorem 2.5.** [24, Theorem 2.6] Given that X and Y are bitopological spaces. A function f is pairwise continuous if it maps  $(X, \tau_1)$  to  $(Y, \delta_1)$  and  $(X, \tau_2)$  to  $(Y, \delta_2)$ .

The study of properties such as pairwise Lindelöf in bitopological spaces was first initiated by Fora [25]. Establishment of more studies on concepts of pairwise continuity, pairwise open and pairwise homeomorphism was initiated more. Studies show that given different bitopological spaces which are endowed by discrete topologies Kilcman [44]. Therefore, a function f mapping one bitopological spaces to another bitopological space is continuous. In cases where bitopological spaces are not pairwise continuous or pairwise Lindelöf continuous a function f that maps one bitopological space to another bitopological space has been shown not to be continuous as indicated by Arhangel'skii [10]. Bitopological spaces that are mapped by a function to each other are said to be pairwise semi-regular if and only if the functions mapping bitopological spaces are almost pairwise open as shown in the next result as shown by Budney [16].

**Theorem 2.6.** [51, Theorem 4.1] A pairwise semi-regular space is pairwise open if and only if it is almost pairwise open.

**Lemma 2.7.** [30, Lemma 7] Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2 E)$  be a soft bitopological space.

Bitopological spaces have also been observed to exhibit property of soft sets. Soft set property in bitopological spaces has been investigated by some authors such as Ittanagi [30] and Marcus [46] among others. Bitopological spaces that exhibit soft sets property are also showing some other properties and concepts. An account that if there are two soft bitopological spaces and a function f that maps one soft bitopological space to another then that function f is regarded to be continuous was also given by Ittanagi [30].

From the research work did by Norman [53] elaborates that a function f in ordinary scenarios means a relation between input and output. Our study has included continuity of spaces involving more topological structures. Studies have been conducted on some aspects of continuity such as weaker forms of continuity and semi-continuity. Likewise Bakier [13] conducted studies on semi continuity as an aspect of continuity that is exhibited by bitopological spaces where it is seen that a function f can also be semi-continuous by mapping one bitopological space to another. These are given in the results that follow.

**Example 2.8.** [13, Example 5.4] Given that  $f: (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Y, \delta_1, \delta_2)$ .

f is semi-continuous if the inverse of open subset in space Y is semi-open in X.

Most results obtained by Trishla [77] show that any function f that is taking one bitopological space to another bitopological space must be pairwise continuous and the inverse of the codomain of that function forms a cardinality of the domain space. Resaerch work that was carried out by Khedr [40] on the decompositions of *i*-continuity and pairwise continuity in bitopological spaces. Their results of continuity in *ij*-sets and spaces have been described in details. In our study we have characterize the notion of *ij*-continuity in bitopological spaces considering aspects such as between strong continuity and almost continuity are also aspects of continuity in bitopological spaces.

### 2.3 Separation Axioms

Different authors carried out studies on continuity and some of its aspects in various spaces. From their studies respective results have been obtained. Scholars who conducted these studies used different separation techniques in order to achieve successful results. Suppose that a scholar may need to test properties of any separation axiom then they have to choose a space say either topological or bitopological space to effect the same.

Moreover, separation axioms also infer the restrictions that mathematics researchers always make regarding the kind of space that they intend to consider. Similarly, studies also show that these axioms apply to topological or bitopological spaces since we can distinguish disjoint sets and distinct points in different sets. The outcome of the study of Fora [25] indicated that topological and bitopological spaces whose elements can be distinguished are referred to as separable topological spaces.

A bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  has got classes which include infra topologies and supra topologies. Infra and supra topologies are classes introduce some new properties in bitopological spaces as stated by Abu-Donia [7]. Topological spaces exhibit properties  $T_{\frac{1}{2}}$ ,  $T_b$ ,  $\alpha T_b$ ,  $T_d$ ,  $\alpha T_d$ . These properties can be extended to bitopological spaces. For soft bitopological spaces studies have been done and there are interesting characterizations as indicated by Patil [54]. Some of the binary separation axioms are binary  $T_0$ , binary  $T_1$ , binary  $T_2$  spaces. In this our study we have considered the properties of  $T_{2\frac{1}{2}}$ -spaces in bitopological spaces. This result also shows that binary soft property can be inherited.

**Theorem 2.9.** [55, Theorem 3.20] Suppose  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $T_2$  then it has hereditary property.

From the the studies conducted by Rajesh [60] results show that quasi  $T_{\frac{1}{2}}$  space is also another type of separation axioms. However,  $T_{\frac{1}{2}}$  has not been been effected via *ij*-continuity. In our work, we have shown separation criteria via the notion of *ij*-continuity. Authors such as Hussein [29] and Rupaya [63] showed heredity and topological properties which seems to be exhibited some separation axioms among in topological spaces. In our work we have shown hereditary properties of these separation axioms on bitopological spaces and where number of topologies is greater than two. Some results of heredity property are given below.

**Theorem 2.10.** [29, Theorem 3.1] A bitopological space which is  $T_0$  is considered to have hereditary property.

Subspace properties are inherited as seen in Theorem 2.10 illustrates that if a bitopological space  $(X, \delta, \tau)$  is  $T_0$  space we have open set Uwhereby  $U \in \delta \cup \tau$  hence it implies that  $m \in U$ . We have shown how hereditary is induced by N-topological spaces to subspaces.

**Theorem 2.11.** [52, Theorem 3.5] Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and a  $T_1$ -space.

Most of the research on separation axioms acting on aspect of homeomorphic as a property in bitopological spaces was conducted by Patil [54]. The result show that homeomorphic property is exhibited by bitopological spaces. For a bitopological space the homeomorphic image of a particular separation axiom is that particular axiom. The proof that was shown by Rajesh [60] shows that  $T_2$ -space has both hereditary and topological properties. If  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a bitopological space then it follows that it has two disjoint points which can be separated by the open sets. Each disjoint point exists in each open set independently. This implies if one point belongs to one open set, then it is not a member of the other open set as stated by Swart [72].

# Chapter 3

# RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

## 3.1 Introduction

For this work to be completed successfully, a good background knowledge of general topology, continuity of functions and functional analysis are found to be more crucial and vital in our work. We have restated some known results which were useful to our work. The research methodology employed included; criterion for continuity, criteria for inverse continuity, separation axioms or Tychonoff theorem and conditions for normality.

# **3.2** Criterion for continuity

Criterion for continuity is a methodology that has been used by various authors to show the continuity property of functions in topological spaces. Criterion for continuity is a technique which shows that a function mapping one bitopological space to another bitopological is continuous. From the research that was done by Birman [15] if a function f is taking an element from one bitopological space to another bitopological space, then f is said continuous if and only if its inverse is also continuous. Kelly [39] When a function f mapping  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \delta_1, \delta_2)$  is said to be continuous if  $f : (X, \tau_1) \rightarrow (Y, \delta_1)$  and also when we have  $f : (X, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \delta_2)$ therefore, a function f is said to be pairwise continuous. Zabidin [80] affirmed that a function is only pairwise continuous if it maps open subsets from one bitopological space to another independently. This methodology is used to show how members of topological structures can be mapped from one space to another.

Suppose both discrete and trivial topological structures are induced to different bitopological spaces. Then any function mapping an open subset from trivial bitopological space to another trivial space is also continuous, Samer [64]. Some researchers Birman [15] and Abu-Donia [6] have shown that most aspects of continuity can be extended from one space to other spaces given that a function mapping them is continuous. These include weak continuity, strong continuity, semi continuity, and local continuity. When this methodology is employed in any topological under study then continuity as a property is clearly displayed.

From the study of strong continuity and almost continuity it is observed that weak invariant, strong invariant and other invariants of continuity occur and arise in very many ways in the field of mathematics. The notion of strong continuity was first undertaken by Levin [48]. For topological spaces that exhibit the homeomorphic property, any function mapping them is continuous. In addition, the inverse of this function is also continuous. Methodology of continuity is applicable as well when undertaking a study of continuity in different topological spaces. Employing this methodology, given three bitopological spaces and two functions say X, Y and Z. If  $f : X \to Y$  and  $g : Y \to Z$  are continuous. By the use of continuity as methodology the composition of these two functions will also be continuous as indicated by Ivan [32]. In our work we have found this technique of criterion for continuity to be very relevant since we used it show that a function  $\chi : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2 \to (Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2))$  is continuous if and only if the inverse of the open set in a bitopological space  $(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set in domain space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ .

### **3.3** Criteria for inverse continuity

Criteria for inverse continuity is a technique that can be used to show that continuous bijection function also has its continuous inverse. This follows that if it is both injective and surjective then any element from the codomain space is an image of all elements in domain space. For instance if D is an image element from codomain space which is precisely for C. from domain space. Marcus [46] indicated that a function f is an injective function and continuous on a space I. Since  $f: I \to J$ , then this function is said to be continuous if and only if its inverse is also continuous. Suppose a function f is taking back an element y from a space J to I such that  $f^{-1}$  is continuous, then it is referred to as to inverse function. Since  $y \in J$  for simplicity we can therefore assume that y being a member of Jis not the end point of J. This implies that inverse function  $f^{-1}$  exists and continuous on a corresponding interval J which is in the image range of f. When a function maps an open subset from the domain to codomain it is known to be continuous. Likewise, when the same function takes the image of the open subset from codomain back to domain space then the inverse of f is also continuous as affirmed by Sidney [67]. Consider a function f(x) = 5x + 3 which can also be expressed as y = 5x + 3Therefore, obtaining this function we need to multiply our domain x by 5 and add 3 to our result. This gives 5x + 3 as our co-domain. For inverse we go the other way. We subtract 3 from y and then divide it by 5 this gives  $(y-3) \div 5$ . Hence the inverse of: 5x+3 is:  $(y-3) \div 5$ . In our work, we used this technique of criterion for inverse continuity to show that  $\chi^{-1}(x)$ which is  $\theta$ -open in a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is also continuous since it maps a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -set to a bitopological space  $(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$ .

### **3.4** Separation axioms

Separation axiom is a technique that is used to topologically separate disjoint points in a particular space. Separation axioms are restrictions that researchers always make on particular topological and bitopological spaces they are intend to conduct a study on. The notion of separation axioms has been effected by authors such as Rupaya [63] and Ravi [61] have defined a separable bitopological space as a space with a set containing dense subset of finite cardinality for instance when we have a sequence  $x_n$  where n ranges from 1 to  $\infty$ . Any infinite countable is a separable space as indicated by Watson [79] and Arya, [12]. Separation axioms that have been implied by different authors in their studies involve:  $T_0$ -Kolmogorov space,  $T_1$ -Fretchet space,  $T_2$ -Hausdorff space,  $T_{2\frac{1}{2}}$ -Urysohn space,  $T_3$ -Regular Hausdorff space,  $T_3\frac{1}{2}$ -Tychonoff space,  $T_4$ -Normal Hausdorff space,  $T_5$ -Completely Hausdorff space and  $T_6$ -Perfectly Normal Hausdorff space.

Results from the work of Ross [62] indicates that most separation axioms have both topological property where they can induce other spaces with topological structures. For instance if X is a bitopological space, suppose Y is a subset of X and a  $T_2$ -space. A bitopological space  $(Y, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ will induce topologies  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  to subspace  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  which will in turn inherit all characteristics of space X. This is shown as follows.

**Theorem 3.1.** [63, Theorem 3.4] If  $(K, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $T_0$  is a space then it exhibits topological property.

From the study conducted by Sunganya [70] it shows that a  $T_2$ -space has both homeomorphic and topological properties. For the homeomorphic property a function f is continuous, if a function f is mapping one bitopological space to another for instance  $f : (K, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (R, \delta_1, \delta_2)$ . Since a function f has homeomorphic property then it suffices that a bitopological space K contains  $k_1$  and  $k_2$  as points. However,  $k_1$  is not equals to  $k_2$ . By the use of the technique of separation axioms f is seen to be onto and so  $f(a_1) = x_1$  likewise  $f(a_2) = x_2$ . This follows that  $f(a_1)$ is not equals to  $f(a_2)$  and also  $a_1$  is not equal to  $a_2$ . We have used these rules of separation axioms in our results to enable us to topologically separate points by the use of open neighborhoods whereby their intersection is empty. In our work we have establish some of these separation axioms in bitopological spaces and spaces with more number of topologies that are greater than two. This has been done via ij-continuity.

#### **3.5** Conditions for normality

Conditions for normality is a methodology that is used to show whether topological spaces are normal or not. A normal space is one which has two disjoint closed sets that are topologically separated by the open neighborhoods. Given that X is a bitopological space, suppose m and n are closed disjoint sets. If U and V are open neighborhoods which topologically separate the two closed disjoint points in the space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  as stated by Ananga [5]. Normal topological and bitopological spaces are spaces that satisfies  $T_4$  axioms. Normality conditions are useful in characterizations in various topological spaces.

From Caldas [18] result shows that  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a normal bitopological space. Then suppose we have disjoint closed points say a and b. Therefore, it suffices that there exists open sets U and V which topologically separate the disjoint closed points in a space. By assumption Just [37] highlighted that conditions for normality as a technique a is a member of U and not a member of open neighborhood V. Likewise b is a cardinality of V and not a member of open set U.

Since U contains closed subset a and V contains b then this space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is said to be normal. Moreover, the intersection of closure point of V and open neighborhood U is an empty set. On the other hand if a and closed set b is not containing x which is an element of space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  this is seen from the work of David [21]. Then U will contain complements elements of b. It follows that since U is open and there exists a neighborhood V of x such that the closure of V is a subset of U. So it implies that open set V has the complement of the closure of V as the cardinality as give by Steve [71]. Therefore, the intersection of the

open sets U and V is not empty. Hence in regards to this X is said to be a regular space. In our work we have used conditions for normality as a methodology to show the separation of disjoint points in bitopological spaces and other N-topological spaces for only results that have only open sets say U and V whereby the intersection is not empty.

# Chapter 4 RESULTS AND

DISCUSSION

#### 4.1 Introduction

This chapter is the core of this work where we present the results of this study. We consider the notion of *ij*-continuity, separation axioms and their extensions to N-topological spaces. For simplicity, we denote  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  as X and  $(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  as Y. Since the intersection of  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  is a topology on X, we are taking  $U_1$  as open set in  $\tau_1$  and  $U_2$  as open set in  $\tau_2$ . Similarly, the intersection of  $\tau'_1$  and  $\tau'_2$  on Y is a topology, consequently  $V_1$  is an open set in  $\tau'_1$  and also  $V_2$  is open in  $\tau'_2$ . Therefore,  $U_1 \cap U_2 = U$ which is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  and also  $V_1 \cap V_2 = V$  which is open in  $(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$ .

#### 4.2 Notions of *ij*-Continuity

In this section, we give an in depth characterization of ij-continuity in bitopological spaces.

**Proposition 4.1.** Let  $\chi : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  be an open function. A subset W of X is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open if and only if it is semi-closed and an intersection of  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open sets in X. Moreover,  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous.

*Proof.* To prove the first part, let W of X be  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open. We prove that it is semi-closed and also an intersection of open sets in X. Let U be an open set in X and V be open set in Y containing  $\chi(x)$  for some  $x \in X$ . By continuum hypothesis, there exists a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set U of X which is containing x such that  $\chi(U) \subseteq V$ . Since U is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set then  $x \in U$  and x belongs to U of X, then there exists a subset W of X that is semi-closed. By criterion for continuity,  $\lambda$  is closed then closure interior of W is a subset of W, that is  $int(W) \subseteq W$ , this is because W is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open and it has an element which is semi-closed and since W is a semi-closed subset of X it follows that it is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set and hence  $x \in W \subseteq U$ . Therefore, we have  $\chi(W) \subseteq V$ . Now, U and V are open sets in X and Y respectively which implies that  $W = U \cap V$  is semi-closed set and  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in X. Therefore, V is an open set in Y containing y and U is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set in X containing x such that  $\chi(U) \subseteq V$ . Hence  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous at every point  $x \in X$ . The converse of this proposition is not true in general. Suppose we let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{b\}\}$  therefore, it follows that  $\tau'_1 = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Then we have the open sets  $\pi B(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) =$  $\{X, \pi, \{b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Hence it follows that we have  $\pi_{\lambda}B(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) =$ 

 $\{\phi, X, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$ . Similarly, we also have the open sets in a bitopological space Y as  $\pi B(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2) = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$ . Then it follows that  $\pi_{\lambda}B(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2) = \{\phi, X, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$ . If the function  $\chi : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  is defined by  $\chi(a) = \chi(b)$  and  $\chi(c) = c$ , then  $\chi$  is semi-continuous but not  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous.

A function  $\chi$  is also  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous if the inverse of a subset in a nonempty set is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open. This is illustrated in the next result.

**Proposition 4.2.** A function  $\chi : X \to Y$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous if and only if for every open subset H of Y and  $\chi^{-1}(H)$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in X.

Proof. Let  $\chi$  be a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous function and B be any set in Y. To show that  $\chi^{-1}(B)$  is also an open set in X, it is enough that  $\chi^{-1}(B) = \emptyset$  in X hence this follows  $\chi^{-1}(B)$  if B is open in X then it suffices that it is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set in X. However, if  $\chi^{-1}(B) \neq \emptyset$  then for every  $x \in \chi^{-1}(B)$ , we have  $\chi(x) \in B$ . Since  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous, this is because the inverse of B is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in space X therefore, there exists a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set  $H_x$  in Xsuch that  $x \in H_x$  and  $\chi(H_x) \subseteq B$ . By criteria for inverse continuity, it implies that  $x \in H_x \subseteq \chi^{-1}(B)$ . So this implies that  $\chi^{-1}(B)$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in X. Conversely, if  $x \in X$  and we let V to be an open set in Y containing  $\chi(x)$ , then  $x \in \chi^{-1}(V)$  by criterion of continuity it implies that  $\chi^{-1}(V)$ is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in X containing x. Therefore,  $\chi(\chi^{-1}(V)) \subseteq V$ . Hence  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous.

Next we show that every  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous function is semi-continuous. However, a semi-continuous function is not necessarily  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous. **Lemma 4.3.** Every  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous function  $\chi : X \to Y$  is semi-continuous but the converse is not true in general.

Proof. Suppose we have a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set H of X having x as one of its element and so it implies that  $\chi(H) \subseteq V$ . From Proposition 4.2, we see that H is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set and  $x \in H$ . It therefore implies that there exists a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -closed set F of X such that  $x \in F \subseteq V$ . By criterion for continuity, it follows that  $\chi$  is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous function and so it follows that  $\chi$  is semicontinuous. However, the converse is not true in general. This can be illustrate as follows: If we have two bitopological spaces as  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  and  $(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$ , then a function  $\chi : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (X, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  is continuous. Since the intersection of topologies is topology, therefore given the cardinalities as  $X = \{a, b, c\}, \tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{b\}\}$  and  $\tau'_1$  are  $\tau'_1 = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ then  $\pi B(X, \tau) = \{\emptyset, X, \{b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Therefore, by criterion for continuity,  $\pi_{\lambda}B(X, \tau) = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$ .

So  $\pi_{\lambda}B(X,\tau) = \{\emptyset, X, \{a,c\}, \{b,c\}\}$ . Since members of  $X = \{a,b,c\}$ therefore if we have  $\chi : (X,\tau) \to (Y,\tau'_1)$  be defined by  $\chi(a) = \chi(b) = b$ , If  $\chi(a) = \chi(b) = b$ , then it applies that  $\chi(c) = c$ . Therefore,  $\chi$  is semicontinuous but not  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous this is because  $\{a,c\}$  is an open set in  $\pi B(X,\tau_1,\tau_2)$  but it is not an open set in  $(Y,\tau'_1,\tau'_2)$ .

**Theorem 4.4.** Every  $\theta_{\eta}$ -continuous function  $\chi : X \to Y$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous however, the converse need not be true.

*Proof.* We first show that a function  $\chi$  is  $\theta_{\eta}$ -continuous. Let x be a member of X and if we have an open set G in X then it follows that  $G \subseteq X$  whereby G is  $\theta_{\eta}$ -open in X. Given that V is an open set in Y,

then if a function  $\chi$  maps  $\theta_{\eta}$ -open set G from domain space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  to codomain space  $(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  such that  $\chi(G) \subseteq Y$ . If  $\chi^{-1}(G) \subseteq X$  then it suffices that  $\chi^{-1}(G)$  is  $\theta_{\eta}$ -open in X. Therefore,  $\chi$  is  $\theta_{\eta}$ -continuous. Let  $\theta_{\eta}$ -continuous function  $\chi : X \to Y$  be  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous. Let  $\chi : X \to Y$ be  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous at a point  $x \in X$ , if for each V of Y containing  $\chi(x)$ there exists  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open G in X that is containing x such that  $\chi(G) \subseteq V$ . By hypothesis, if G is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set then it implies that there exists a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -closed set F of X such that  $x \in F \subseteq V$ . By Lemma 4.3, if there is an open set V in X which contains x such that  $\chi(G) = V$ , by criterion for continuity a function  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous at every point x of X then it is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous and  $\theta_{\eta}$ -continuous. However, the converse need not to be true in general. For instance, if the cardinalities of  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}.$  Then we have  $\pi B(X) = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}.$  It suffices that  $\pi_{\lambda}B(X) = \{\emptyset, X, \{a, c\}\}$  and  $\theta_{\eta}B(X) = \{\emptyset, X\}$  if a function  $\chi: X \to Y$  is defined by  $\chi(a) = \chi(c) = a$  and also  $\chi(b) = b$  hence  $\chi$  is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous function since  $\{a\} \in \tau$  and  $\{a, c\} \in \pi_{\lambda}B(X)$  but  $\{a, c\}$ does not exists in  $\theta \pi B(X)$ . 

The following consequence follows immediately.

**Corollary 4.5.** Every  $\pi_d$ -continuous and  $\delta \pi_d$ -continuous functions  $\chi$ :  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous however, the converse need not be true.

Proof. Suppose a function  $\chi : X \to Y$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous. Then let an element x to be a cardinality of X, hence  $x \in X$  and V is any open set in Y that contains  $\chi(x)$ . By the continuum hypothesis, there exists  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set U of X containing x such that  $\chi(U) \subseteq (V)$ . Since U is

said to be  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open therefore set  $x \in U$ , there exists a d-closed set F of X such that  $x \in F \subseteq U$ . Therefore,  $\chi(F) \subseteq V$  and since  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ continuous, it suffices that it is also  $\pi_d$ -continuous. Therefore, if  $\chi$  is  $\pi_d$ -continuous then it is also  $\delta \pi_d$ -continuous. Since we have  $\chi$  to be  $\pi_{\lambda}$ continuous then let U be any open set in X containing such that  $\chi(U)$ is in Y and V be any open set in Y containing  $\chi(U)$ . Suppose that G is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set in X then this implies that  $\chi(G) = U$ . By Theorem 4.4, since  $\chi(G) = U$  then a function  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous at every point x of X, then a function  $\chi: X \to Y$  is also  $\pi_d$ -continuous and  $\delta \pi_d$ -continuous function. To see the converse, let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}.$ Then it follows that  $\pi B(X) = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$  and GB(X) = $\{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Hence  $\pi_{\lambda}(X) = \{\emptyset, \{a, c\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$  and also  $\pi_d B(X) = \delta \pi_d(X) = \{ \emptyset, X \}$ . Therefore, if a function  $\chi : X \to X$ Y can be defined by  $\chi(a) = \chi(c) = a$  and  $\chi(b) = b$ , then  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ continuous, as  $\{a\} \in \tau$  and  $\{a,c\} \in \pi_{\lambda}(X)$  but neither  $\pi_d$ -continuous nor  $\delta \pi_d$ -continuous  $\{a, c\}$  does not exists in  $\pi_d B(X) = \delta \pi_d B(X)$ . This completes the proof. 

We use proposition 4.6 to illustrate that functions which are perfectly continuous are also  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous.

**Proposition 4.6.** Let a function  $\chi : X \to Y$  be perfectly continuous. Then  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous.

Proof. Let A be any open set in Y. Then  $\chi^{-1}(A)$  is clopen in X. Hence it implies that  $\chi^{-1}(A) \in \pi_{\lambda}B(X)$ , then from Proposition 4.2, a function  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous since we have A to be an open set in Y. Then we can show that  $\chi^{-1}(A)$  is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set in X, it therefore implies that  $\chi^{-1}(A)$  is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set in X, and if  $\chi^{-1}(A) \not\subseteq \emptyset$ , then for each  $x \in \chi^{-1}(A)$ , we have  $\chi(x) \in A$ . Since  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous then it implies that there exists a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set  $B_x$  in X such that  $x \in B_x$  and  $\chi(B_x) \subseteq A$ . This implies that  $x \in B_x \subseteq \chi^{-1}(A)$ . This therefore shows that  $\chi^{-1}(A)$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in X. Similarly, if we let  $x \in X$  and A be an open set in Y containing  $\chi(x)$ . Then it follows that  $x \in \chi^{-1}(A)$ . By the continuum hypothesis,  $\chi^{-1}(A)$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ open in X containing x, hence it suffices that  $\chi(\chi^{-1}(A)) \subseteq A$ . Therefore,  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous. By the fact that  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous then it suffices that it is also perfectly continuous since we have an open set A in Y and  $\chi^{-1}(V)$  is clopen in X.

In our subsequent result we illustrate how globally indiscrete mappings exhibit characteristics of semi-continuous functions.

**Lemma 4.7.** Let  $\chi : X \to Y$  be globally indiscrete. Then a function  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous if and only if it is semi-continuous.

Proof. Let  $\chi$  be semi-continuous and X be globally indiscrete. Let U be an open subset in X and V be open set in Y, then it suffices that  $\chi^{-1}(V)$  is also semi-open in X. Since X is globally indiscrete, similarly it for globally discrete we have U as an open set in X and V be an open set in Y containing  $\chi(x)$  for some  $x \in X$ . By the continuum hypothesis, there exists a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set U of X which is containing x such that  $\chi(U) \subseteq V$ . Since U is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set, then we can say that  $x \in U$ . Since x belongs to U of X then there exists a subset W of X that is semi-closed. By criterion for continuity, the interior closure of W is a subset of W, that is  $int(\overline{W}) \subseteq W$ . Since W is a semi-closed subset of X it implies that it is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set and hence  $x \in W \subseteq U$ , since any  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set may contain

a set that is semi-closed or semi-open such that the interior closure of that set is a subset of itself. Therefore, we have  $\chi(W) \subseteq V$ . Now, since U and V are open sets in X and Y respectively then it follows that  $W = U \cap V$  is a semi-closed set and  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in X. Therefore, V is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ open set in Y containing y and U is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set in X containing xsuch that  $\chi(U) \subseteq V$ . Therefore,  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous at every point  $x \in X$ . Conversely, let  $\chi$  be  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous. Therefore, there exists a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set U of X containing x such that  $\chi(U) \subseteq V$ . Since U is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set and  $x \in U$ , then there exists a g-closed set F of X such that  $x \in F \subseteq U$ . Therefore, we have  $\chi(F) \subseteq V$ . Since  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous, then by Lemma 4.3,  $\chi$  is semi-continuous. Therefore, since  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous then it is also semi-continuous.

For a function that maps a Housdorff space to a bitopological space is is both semi-continuous and  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous. We state the result as follows.

**Theorem 4.8.** Let X be a Hausdorff space and Y be any bitopological space. Then  $\chi : X \to Y$  is semi-continuous and  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous.

Proof. Suppose we have two functions say  $\chi$  and  $\omega$  let  $\chi : X_1 \to Y$  and if  $\omega : X_2 \to Y$  then  $\chi, \omega : X \to Y$  are  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous functions. Since Yis a Hausdorff space, therefore there is set  $E = \{x_1, x_2\} \in X$ . Suppose E does not exists in  $\{x_1, x_2\}$  then it follows that  $\chi(x_1) \neq \omega(x_2)$ . Since Yis a Hausdorff space then there exist open sets  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  of Y such that  $\chi(x) \subseteq V_1$  and  $\omega(x) \subseteq V_2$ . Then it implies that  $V_1 \cap V_2 \neq \emptyset$ . Since  $\chi$  and  $\omega$  are  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous functions then there exist  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open sets  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  in Y containing y such that  $\chi(U_1) \subseteq V_1$  and  $\omega(U_2) \subseteq V_2$ . By criterion for continuity, the intersection of  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  is a proper subset of W that is  $W = (U_1) \cap (U_2)$ . Then it is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in Y since  $M \in Y$  then  $U \cap M = \emptyset$ . Hence it follows that  $x \in \pi_{\lambda}(\overline{H})$ , this implies that H is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -closed in X. Since V is any open set in Y then  $\chi^{-1}(V)$  is clopen in X, and so  $\chi^{-1}(V) \in \pi_{\lambda}(X)$ . Therefore, a function  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous. Since V and U are open sets in Y and X respectively then we have  $x \in \chi^{-1}(V)$  with x being closed hence  $x \in \{x\} \subseteq \chi^{-1}(V)$ . Therefore,  $\chi^{-1}(U)$  is semi-open in X. By criterion for inverse continuity,  $\chi^{-1}(V)$  is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set in X. Hence  $\chi$  is a semi-continuous function.

In the next theorem 4.9 we illustrate that a function  $\chi$  is *ij*-continuous if and only if there exists an open subset. This is indicated in the result that follows.

**Theorem 4.9.** Let  $\chi : X \to Y$  be  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous. Then  $\chi$  is ij-continuous if  $X_0$  is an open subset of X. Moreover,  $\chi$  is an  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous if  $\chi \mid_{X_0} : X_0 \to Y$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous.

Proof. Let  $\chi : X \to Y$  be  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous then it implies that it is continuous since  $x \in X$ . Suppose that we have open set V of Y which contains  $\chi(x)$  therefore, from Theorem 4.8 we can state that there exists a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set U. If  $X_0 \subseteq U$  then  $X_0$  also exists in X and contains x. Then it follows that  $\chi(X_0) \subseteq V$ . Hence  $\chi(x)$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous and it is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in Y. Since V is an open set in Y then  $\chi^{-1}(V)$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in X, So  $\chi^{-1}(V)$  is also  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in X. Given that  $\chi^{-1}(V)$  is in X therefore it implies that for every  $x \in \chi^{-1}(V)$  we have  $\chi(x) \in V$ . Then by criterion for continuity, there exists a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set  $X_0$  in X such that  $x \in X_0$  and  $\chi(X_0) \subseteq V$ . Therefore,  $x \in X_0 \subseteq \chi^{-1}(V)$ . Then it shows that  $V \in i - X_0(Y)$  and  $\chi^{-1}(V)$  are members of  $ij\pi X_0 X$ , hence  $i \in X_0$  and so i is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set in X. This  $\chi$  is *ij*-continuous since  $X_0$  is an open subset of X and the inverse of open set j in Y is *i*-open in X. Moreover, since sets X and Y have open sets U and V respectively and that V of Y contains  $\chi(x)$ . This follows that a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set  $X_0$  in X also contains x. Then since  $X_0$  is a subset of X and  $\chi(x)$  is a proper subset V of Y, then it implies that  $\chi(U)$  is also a subset of V. Since a function  $\chi: X \to Y$  it shows that  $X_0$  then  $\chi \mid_{X_0} : X_0 \to Y$ . This follows that for all V in Y there exists  $j - X_0(Y)$  such that  $\chi^{-1}(V)$ exists in  $ij - \pi U X_0(X)$ . Since  $j - X_0$  is open in Y and  $\chi^{-1}(V)$  is an element of  $ij - \pi B X_0(X)$  then  $x \in \chi^{-1}(V)$  where  $\chi(x) \in V$ . Therefore,  $\chi$ is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous hence it is also  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous since  $\chi \mid_{X_0} : X_0 \to Y$ .

**Theorem 4.10.** Let  $\chi : X \to Y$  is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous if for each open set  $X_0$  of X we have  $\eta \in X$ . Such that  $\chi \mid_{X_0} : X_0 \to Y$  is  $\pi_d$ -continuous.

Proof. Let V be any open set in Y and  $X_0$  be any open set in X, then there exists  $\eta$  which is an element of X. Since  $\eta \in X$  and  $X_0$  is open in X then it suffices that  $\eta \in X_0$  which is  $\pi_{\lambda}$  it follows that  $X_0 \subseteq X$ . From Theorem 4.9,  $\chi : X \to Y$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous hence there exists  $\eta \in X$ and open set V of Y such that it contains  $\chi(\eta)$ . Therefore, it implies that there is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set  $X_0$  in X containing  $\eta$  such that  $\chi(X_0) \subseteq V$ . Hence  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous if and only if it is continuous at every point  $\eta$ of X. Since there is an open set V of Y such that  $V \in j - X_0(Y)$  and  $\chi^{-1}(V) \in ij - \pi\eta X_0(X)$ , then it suffices that  $\chi : X \to Y$  is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ continuous. Since V is an open set in Y then  $\chi^{-1}(V)$  is an element of X, then by criteria for inverse continuity it implies that  $\chi^{-1}(V) = \emptyset$ . Suppose that  $\chi^{-1}(V) \in X$  and every  $\eta \in \chi^{-1}(V)$  then it shows that  $\chi(x) \in V$ . Then it implies that  $X_{\eta}$  exists in X where  $\eta \in X$ , hence  $\eta \in X_{\eta} \subseteq \chi^{-1}(V)$ . Therefore,  $\chi^{-1}(V)$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in X and so it implies that it is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous since  $\chi \mid_{X_0} : X_0 \to Y$  with  $X_0$  having induced properties from  $\chi$ . Since  $\chi \mid_{X_0} : X_0 \to Y$  then it is also  $\pi_d$ -continuous.  $\Box$ 

This leads to the following consequence.

**Corollary 4.11.** Every  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous function is ij-continuous but the converse is not true in general.

*Proof.* Since inverse open j in Y is i-open in X then  $\chi$  is said to be  $\pi_{\lambda}$ continuous if and only if it is continuous if  $\chi(x) \subseteq Y$  Suppose there is any open set V of Y which contains  $\chi(x)$  then  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous. This implies that  $\chi^{-1}(V)$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in X and so if  $\chi^{-1}(V)$  is an empty set then  $\chi^{-1}(V)$  is also a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set in X. Hence suppose that  $\chi^{-1}(V) \nsubseteq \emptyset$  then it implies that each  $x \in \chi^{-1}(V)$ , therefore  $\chi(x) \in V$ . From Theorem 4.9,  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous and also there exists a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set U in X such that  $x \in U$  and hence  $\chi(U) \subseteq V$ , by extensions  $x \in U \subseteq \chi^{-1}(V)$ . It implies that we have V in j - V(Y). Then  $\chi$  is said to be  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous since  $\chi^{-1}(j)$  is *i*-open in X. For *ij*-continuous we have  $V \in i - V(Y)$ and  $\chi^{-1}(V) \in \pi V(X)$ . By criterion for continuity, it implies that every  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous function is also *ij*-continuous. However, not every *ij*continuous is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous. Let V be an open set in Y and U open set in X. Then  $\chi^{-1}(V)$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in X. For open set U of X we have  $\chi(U) \subseteq V$ , therefore it follows that  $x \in U \subseteq \chi^{-1}(V)$ . Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Then  $\pi B(X) = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$ . Similarly,  $\pi B(X) = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b\}\}$  and so  $\pi_{\lambda}(X) =$  $\{\emptyset, \{a, c\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ . Therefore,  $\pi_d B(X) = \delta \pi_d(X) = \{\emptyset, X\}$ . Suppose that a function  $\chi: X \to X$  is defined by  $\chi(a) = \chi(c) = a$  then it shows

that  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous. Since  $\{a\} \in \tau$  and  $\{a, c\} \in \pi_{\lambda}(X)$ , it implies that neither  $\pi_d$ -continuous nor  $\delta \pi_d$ -continuous is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous. So  $\{a, c\}$ does not exists in  $\pi_d B(X) = \delta \pi_d B(X)$  therefore, since  $\chi$  is  $\pi_d$ -continuous then it implies that it is also  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous. For ij-continuity with open set V of Y we have  $V \in i - V(Y)$  this implies that  $\chi^{-1}(V) \in ij - \pi V(X)$ . Hence for  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous there exists an open set  $V \in jBV(Y)$  hence  $\chi^{-1}(V) \in ij - UB\pi V(X)$ . Therefore, every  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous function is ij-continuous but its converse is not true in general.  $\Box$ 

Suppose independent functions mapping one bitopological space to another are  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous then their composition is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous as it is shown in the result that follows.

**Proposition 4.12.** Let  $\chi_1 : X \to Y$  be  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous and  $\chi_2 : Y \to Z$  be  $ij - \pi_d$ -continuous. Then  $\chi_2 \circ \chi_1$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous.

Proof. Let  $\chi_1 : X \to Y$  and  $\chi_2 : Y \to Z$ . Let C be open subset of X, then C is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open if and only if it is a semi-closed set. Hence, we can let U be  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set in X then it follows that  $\chi$  maps C to Y. Similarly, let V be open set in Y containing  $\chi(x)$  this implies that x is an element of  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set  $U \subseteq X$ , such that  $\chi_1(U) \subseteq V$ . Since U is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open then we can say that  $x \in U$ . There is a subset C that is semi-closed and hence the interior closure of C is a subset of C for instance  $int(clC) \subseteq C$ . Then it implies that C is a subset of semi-closed set of X and  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open. Hence  $x \in C \subseteq U$  and  $\chi(C) \subseteq V$ . Therefore, it shows that for all V that exist in j - C(Y) there is  $\chi^{-1}(V) \in ij\pi C(X)$ . Therefore,  $\chi_1 : X \to Y$  is said to be  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous. Similarly,  $\chi_2 : Y \to Z$  is also  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous. Let E be an open set in Z and V be open in Y and there exists  $\eta \in Y$  then it implies that X is a subset of V. Since  $\chi_2 : Y \to Z$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous and  $\eta \in Y$  for each open set V of Y such that it contains  $\chi_2(x)$  then it implies that there is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set D in X containing  $\eta$  such that  $\chi_2(\eta) \subseteq V$  and hence  $\chi_2$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous if and only if  $\chi_2$  is continuous at each point  $\eta$  of X. Since there is an open set V of Y where  $V \in j - V(Y)$  and also  $\chi_2^{-1}(V) \in ij - \pi \eta V(X)$  then  $\chi : X \to Y$  is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous. This shows that  $\chi_2 : Y \to Z$  is also  $ij - \pi_d$ -continuous. Since  $\chi_1 : X \to Y$  is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous then  $\chi_2 : Y \to Z$  is also  $ij - \pi_d$ -continuous. Hence a function  $\chi : X \to Z$  is also  $ij - \pi_d$ -continuous. Since  $\chi_1$  and  $\chi_2$  are  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous since they map *i*-open is mapped to J-open set in X therefore, it follows it suffices that  $\chi_2 \circ \chi_1$  is also  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous.

**Proposition 4.13.** Let  $\chi_1 : X \to Y$  be  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous and  $\chi_2 : Y \to Z$  be  $\pi_d$ -continuous. Then  $\chi_2 \circ \chi_1$  is  $ij - \pi_d$  continuous.

Proof. Functions  $\chi_1$  and  $\chi_2$  are said to be  $ij - \pi_d$ -continuous if and only they are  $\pi_\lambda$ -continuous. From Theorem 4.1 we can let B of X be  $\pi_\lambda$ open. We start by proving that it is semi-closed and also an intersection of open sets in X. Let U be an open set in X and V be open set in Ycontaining  $\chi(x)$  for some  $x \in X$ . By continuum hypothesis, there exists a  $\pi_\lambda$ -open set U of X which is containing x such that  $\chi(U) \subseteq V$ . Since Uis a  $\pi_\lambda$ -open set then  $x \in U$  and x belongs to U of X, then there exists a subset W of X that is semi-closed. By criterion for continuity,  $\lambda$  is closed then closure interior of B is a subset of , that is  $\overline{(B)} \subseteq B$ , this is because B is a  $\pi_\lambda$ -open and it has an element which is semi-closed and since Wis a semi-closed subset of X it follows that it is  $\pi_\lambda$ -open set and hence  $x \in B \subseteq U$ . Therefore, we have  $\chi(W) \subseteq V$ . Now, U and V are open sets in X and Y respectively which implies that  $W = U \cap V$  is semi-closed set

and  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in X. Therefore, V is an open set in Y containing y and U is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set in X containing x such that  $\chi(U) \subseteq V$ . Hence  $\chi_1$  and  $\chi_2$  are  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous at every point  $x \in X$ . Let  $\chi_1 : X \to Y$  be  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous and  $\chi_2: Y \to Z$  be  $\pi_d$ -continuous. If  $\chi_1$  is a  $\pi_\lambda$ -continuous function then it implies that there exists any open set B in Y. Then it therefore implies that  $\chi_1^{-1}(B)$  is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set in X. Then that  $\chi_1^{-1}(B)$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in X. However, if  $\chi_1^{-1}(B) \neq \emptyset$  then  $x \in \chi_1^{-1}(B)$  we have  $\chi_1(x) \in B$ . Therefore, since  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous, it implies that there exists a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set  $H_x$  in X such that  $x \in H_x$  and  $\chi_1(H_x) \subseteq B$  hence  $x \in H_x \subseteq \chi_1^{-1}(B)$ . Therefore,  $\chi_1^{-1}(B)$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in X. Conversely, suppose that  $x \in X$  and V be any open set in Y containing  $\chi(x)$  then  $x \in \chi^{-1}(V)$ , by criterion of continuity  $\chi_1^{-1}(V)$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in X containing x. Therefore,  $\chi_1(\chi^{-1}(V)) \subseteq V$  so this implies that  $\chi_1$  is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous function. So  $\chi_2 : Y \to Z$  where all  $x \in \chi^{-1}(B)$  is closed and therefore  $x \in \{x\} \subseteq \chi^{-1}(B)$ . Then it implies that  $\chi^1(B) \in \pi_d C(X)$  and hence  $\chi$  is a  $\pi_d$ -continuous function. Suppose that  $\chi_1: X \to Y$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous then  $\chi_2: Y \to Z$  is also  $\pi_d$ -continuous. Therefore,  $\chi_2 \circ \chi_1$  is  $ij - \pi_d$  continuous. 

**Theorem 4.14.** Let  $\chi : X \to Y$  be  $ij - \pi_d$ -continuous. Then  $\chi$  is  $ij - \Omega$ continuous and the converse need not to be true in general.

Proof. A function  $\chi$  said to be  $ij - \Omega$ -continuous if and only if it is  $ij - \pi_d$ continuous. From Theorem 4.10 we have shown that functions  $\chi_1$  and  $\chi_2$ are  $ij - \pi_d$ -continuous. For instance, suppose we have V as an open set in Y and  $X_0$  be any open set in X, then there exists d which is an element of X. Since  $d \in X$  and  $X_0$  is open in X then it suffices that  $d \in X_0$  which is  $\pi_{\lambda}$  it follows that  $X_0 \subseteq X$ . A function  $\chi : X \to Y$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous hence there exists  $d \in X$  which is *i*-clopen in X and open

set V of Y such that it contains  $\chi(d)$ . Therefore, it implies that there is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set  $X_0$  in X containing d such that  $\chi(X_0) \subseteq V$ . Hence  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous if and only if it is continuous. Since there is an open set V of Y such that  $V \in j - X_0(Y)$  and  $\chi^{-1}(V) \in ij - \pi_d X_0(X)$ , then it suffices that  $\chi: X \to Y$  is  $ij - \pi_d$ -continuous. Since,  $\chi: X \to Y$  then it is  $ij - \pi_d$ -continuous if and only if  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous. From Proposition 4.1,  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous if there is any open set V in Y that is containing  $\chi(x)$  and hence  $\chi$  is continuous at every point  $x \in X$ . Then this follows that there exists a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set U of X containing x such that  $\chi(U) \subseteq V$ . From the result in Theorem 4.9 we proved that a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous function is also semi-continuous if its open inverse in the codomain space is also semi-open in domain space. Then if we have open sets U and V then, if  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set U of X containing x then it follows that  $\chi(x) \subseteq Y$ . Therefore, by use of criterion for continuity,  $\chi$  is semi-continuous. Conversely, not every  $ij - \Omega$ -continuous is  $ij - \pi_d$ -continuous. Given that  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  and  $(Y, \tau_1', \tau_2')$  are two bitopological spaces therefore suppose we the cardinalities as  $X = \{d, e, f\}, \tau_1 = \{\emptyset, X, \{e\}\}$  and  $\tau'_1 = \{\emptyset, X, \{d\}, \{e\}, \{d, e\}\}.$ This implies that  $\pi B(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) = \{\emptyset, X, \{e\}, \{e, f\}, \{d, e\}\}$  by criterion for continuity  $\pi_{\lambda}B(X,\tau) = \{\emptyset, X, \{d, e\}, \{d, e\}\}.$ Therefore,  $\pi B(Y, \tau_1', \tau_2') = \{\emptyset, X, \{d\}, \{e\}, \{d, e\}, \{d, f\}, \{d, e\}\}.$ Hence  $\pi_{\lambda}B(Y, \tau_1', \tau_2') = \{\emptyset, X, \{d, f\}, \{e, f\}\}.$ A function  $\chi: (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  can be defined by  $\chi(a) = \chi(e) = e$ . If  $\chi(d) = \chi(e) = e$  then it implies that  $\chi(f) = f$  hence  $\chi$  is semicontinuous and  $ij - \pi_d$ -continuous but not  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous. Therefore,  $\chi^{-1}(V) \in ij - \Omega B(X)$  then  $\chi$  is  $ij - \Omega$ -continuous. 

When a function  $\chi_1: X \to Y$  is *i*-continuous then if we have another

function  $\chi_2$  which is *j*-continuous then the composition  $\chi_1 \circ \chi_2$  is  $ij - \theta_s$ continuous. We state the results as follows.

**Theorem 4.15.** Given that a function  $\chi : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  then  $\chi$  is  $ij - \theta_{\eta}$ -continuous if  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous.

*Proof.* If a function  $\chi$  is mapping  $\theta_{\eta}$ -open set from  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  to  $(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$ and if it has an open  $\theta$ -open set then  $\chi$  is  $\theta_{\eta}$ -continuous. Suppose that we let P to be a member of X which is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open U, and V are open sets in X and Y respectively. We therefore have to start by showing that P is semiclosed and the intersection of open sets U and V is in space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ . Hence, since U is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set in X and V open set in Y containing  $\chi(x)$ for some  $x \in X$ . Consequently it follows that x is also  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open since it is a member of X. By the use of the criterion for continuity we have  $\chi(U) \subseteq V$ . Since U is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set then  $x \in U$  and x belongs to U of X, then there exists a subset P of X which is semi-closed there exist semi-closed set  $\pi_{\lambda}$  which is contained in X, by employing the criterion for continuity,  $\pi_{\lambda}$  is also a closed set then closure interior of P is a subset of P such that  $int(\overline{P}) \subseteq P$ , this is attributed since P is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open and also has an element which is semi-closed and since P is a semi-closed subset of X it follows that it is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set and hence  $x \in P \subseteq U$ . The fact that P is  $i - \pi_{\lambda}$ -open in X and has  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -closed set then it is also  $\theta_{\eta}$ open in X which follows closely that  $\chi(P) \subseteq V$ . So  $i \in U$  and  $j \in V$ are open sets in X and Y respectively which implies that  $P = U \cap V$  is semi-closed set and  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in X. Therefore, V is an open set in Y containing y and U is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set in X containing x such that  $\chi(U) \subseteq V$ . Hence  $\chi$  is  $\theta_{\eta}$ -continuous. Since j - V has its open inverse i - U in X then  $\chi$  is  $ij - \theta_{\eta}$ -continuous.  $x \in X$ . Similarly we have the cardinalities

as  $X = \{m, n, o\}$  and  $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{n\}\}$  therefore, it follows that  $\tau_1' =$  $\{\phi, X, \{m\}, \{n\}, \{m, n\}\}$ . Then we have the open sets  $\pi B(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) =$  $\{X, \pi, \{n\}, \{n, o\}, \{m, n\}\}$ . Hence it follows that we have  $\pi_{\lambda}B(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) =$  $\{\phi, X, \{m, n\}, \{m, o\}\}$ . Similarly, we also have the open sets in a bitopological space Y as  $\pi B(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2) = \{\phi, X, \{m\}, \{n\}, \{m, n\}, \{m, o\}, \{n, o\}\}.$ Then it follows that  $\pi_{\lambda}B(Y,\tau_1',\tau_2') = \{\phi, X, \{m,o\}, \{n,o\}\}$ . If the function  $\chi: (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Y, \tau_1', \tau_2')$  is defined by  $\chi(m) = \chi(n)$  and  $\chi(o) = o$ , then  $\chi$  is  $ij - \theta_{\eta}$ -continuous So since  $\chi$  is  $ij - \theta_{\eta}$ -continuous function it implies that it is also  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous. Suppose that  $\chi: X \to Y$  then  $\chi$  is also  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous function if and only if  $\chi(x)$  is in V, then there exists a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set V of Y that is containing  $\chi(x)$ . Similarly, there exists a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ open set U in X containing x such that  $\chi(U) \subseteq V$ . This implies that  $\chi$  is  $ij - \theta_{\eta}$ -continuous. Therefore,  $\chi$  is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous since for all V which is open in Y exists in j - V(Y) and also  $\chi^{-1}(V) \in ij - U\pi V(X)$ . Then  $\chi$  is also  $ij-\theta_\eta\text{-}\mathrm{continuous}$  function since  $\theta_\eta\text{-}\mathrm{continuous}$  function. 

Lastly, we consider pairwise continuity in soft bitopological spaces induced by different functions  $\chi_1$  and  $\chi_2$ . We state the results as follows.

**Theorem 4.16.** Let X, Y and Z be soft bitopological spaces. If  $\chi_1 : X \to Y$  and  $\chi_2 : Y \to Z$  are p-soft continuous functions then  $\chi_2 \circ \chi_1$  is p-soft continuous.

Proof. Let  $\chi_1$  and  $\chi_2$  be two functions that are mapping soft bitopological spaces.  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, E), (Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2, E)$  and  $(Z, \tau''_1, \tau''_2, E)$ . Let U and V be  $\pi_{\lambda}$ open sets. Suppose that  $\chi_1 : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, E) \to (Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2, E)$  and if there is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set W in X then  $\chi(W)$  is in Y. Since  $\chi(W)$  is in Y then it suffices that it W is  $(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2, E)$ , similarly if  $\chi_2 : (Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2, E) \to (Z, \tau''_1, \tau''_2, E)$ . This implies that W is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in X, Y and Z hence  $\chi_1 \circ \chi_2$  is also continuous. Let (m, c) be soft points such that  $(m, c) \in E$  then if functions  $\chi_1 : X \to Y$  and  $\chi_2 : Y \to Z$  then implies that  $\chi_1$  and  $\chi_2$  are pairwisesoft continuous functions. Since  $(m, c) \in \tau_1$  therefore this follows that  $\chi_2 :$  $(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2, E) \to (Z, \tau''_1, \tau''_2, E)$  is pairwise-soft continuous then it implies that  $\chi^{-1}(m, n) \in \tau''_1$ . Therefore,  $\chi_1 : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, E) \to (Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2, E)$  is also pairwise-soft continuous function. This follows that  $\chi^{-1}(m, c) = \chi_1 \circ$  $\chi_2^{-1}(m, c)$ . Then it implies that we have  $\chi_1 \circ \chi_2^{-1}(m, c) \in \tau_{12}$ . By criterion for continuity,  $\chi_1 \circ \chi_2 : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, E) \to (Z, \tau''_1, \tau''_2, E)$ . is pairwise-soft continuous.

In this objective we characterized the notion of ij-continuity in bitopological spaces as  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous as shown in our result, Proposition 4.1. We also classify this notion of ij-continuity as  $\theta_{\eta}$ -continuous as it is indicated in Theorem 4.15. Furthermore, we characterized the notion of ij-continuity as  $ij - \pi_d$ -continuous as in Lemma 4.3. Moreover, We also characterized the notion of ij-continuity as  $ij - \Omega$ -continuous, this is given in our result Theorem 4.14. These notions were characterized in Weak continuity, Semi-continuity and Strong continuity as aspects of continuity that we studied.

#### 4.3 Separation Criteria for via *ij*-Continuity

Let  $T_0$ ,  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  be separation axioms we show that they exhibit heredity and topological properties. For simplicity, we denote  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  with X and  $(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  with Y. **Proposition 4.17.** Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  be a  $T_0$  space then the property of  $T_0$  is both hereditary and topological.

*Proof.* We start by showing that  $T_0$  has hereditary property. Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ be a  $T_0$  space and suppose that  $D \subseteq X$  then it suffices that a bitopological subspace  $(D, \tau_{D1}, \tau_{D2})$  is also a  $T_0$  space. Since  $(D, \tau_{D1}, \tau_{D2})$  has induced properties from  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  therefore it shows that  $a, b \in D$  with  $a \neq b$ , this implies that  $a, b \in X, a \neq b$  as in Definition 1.10. Since  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a  $T_0$  space. Then there exists  $U \in \tau_1 \cup \tau_2$  then  $a \in U$ , and a does not exists in U or b does not exists in U but  $b \in U$ . Hence  $U \in \tau_1 \cup \tau_2$  this follows that  $U \in \tau_1$  or  $U \in \tau_2$ . Therefore,  $U \cap D \in \tau_{D1}$  or  $U \cap D \in \tau_{D2}$  similarly  $U \cap D \in \tau_{D1} \cap \tau_{D2}$ . Since  $a, b \in D$  then  $a \in U \cap D$ , b does not exists in  $U \cap B$  and a does not exists in  $U \cap D$ , and  $b \in U \cap D$ . Then  $(D, \tau_{D1}, \tau_{D2})$ is also a  $T_0$  space. We can also show that  $T_0$  has topological property. Using the notion of *ij*-continuity let  $b_1, b_2 \in X$  with  $b_1 \neq b_2$ , Taking a function  $\chi$  to be onto function then there is  $a_1, a_2 \in X$  with  $\chi(a_1) = \chi(b_1)$ and  $\chi(a_2) = b_2$ . Since  $\chi$  is an injective function with  $b_1 \neq b_2$  therefore it implies that  $\chi(a_1) \neq \chi(a_2)$  hence  $a_1 \neq a_2$ . Since  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $T_0$  space and  $a_1, a_2 \in X$  where  $a_1 \neq a_2$  then it implies that there exists  $U \in \tau_1 \cup \tau_2$ such that  $a_1 \in U$  and  $a_1$  does not exists in U or  $a_1$  does not exists in U,  $a_2 \in U$  or  $a_1 \in U$ ,  $a_2$  does not exists in U. Then  $U \in \tau_1 \cup \tau_2$  follows that  $\chi(U) \in \chi(\tau_1 \cup \tau_2)$  since  $\chi$  is open and continuous. using separation axiom as a methodology, it implies that  $\chi(U) \in \chi(\tau_1) \cup \chi(\tau_2) \in \tau'_1 \cup \tau'_2$ . Also  $a_1 \in U$  which implies that  $\chi(a_1) \in \chi(U)$  or  $b_1 \in \chi(U)$  and  $a_2$  does not exists in U which imply that  $\chi(a_2)$  does not exists in  $\chi(U)$  or  $b_2$  does not exists  $\chi(U)$ . For any  $b_1, b_2 \in Y$  with  $b_1 \neq b_2, \, \chi(U) \in \tau'_1 \cup \tau'_2$  is obtained such that  $b_1 \in \chi(U)$ ,  $b_2$  does not exists in  $\chi(U)$ . Therefore,  $(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  is a  $T_0$  space. Every homeomorphic image of  $T_0$  space then it shows that it is having topological property.

**Proposition 4.18.** Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  be a  $T_1$  space then the property of  $T_1$  is both topological and hereditary properties.

*Proof.* If  $T_1$  has hereditary property then it follows that a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is also  $T_1$  space. Let  $D \subseteq X$  and hence  $(D, \tau_{D1}, \tau_{D2})$ is also  $T_1$  space. Let  $a, b \in D$  and with  $a \neq b$  it therefore implies that  $a, b \in X$  and  $a \neq b$ . Since  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a  $T_1$  space then  $U \in \tau_1 \cup \tau_2$ . Then  $a \in U$  and b is not a member of U. Similarly a does not exists in U but  $b \in U$ . From Proposition 4.17, we have  $U \in \tau_1 \cup \tau_2$ . Then  $U \in \tau_1$  or  $U \in \tau_2, U \cap D \in \tau_{D1}$  and so  $U \cap D \in \tau_{D2}$  also  $U \cap D \in \tau_{D1} \cap \tau_{D2}$ . The fact that  $a, b \in D$  hence  $a \in U \cap D$ , b does not exists in  $U \cap D$  or a not a member in  $U \cap D$ ,  $b \in U \cap D$ . Therefore,  $(D, \tau_{D1}, \tau_{D2})$  shows properties of a  $T_1$  space hence it is a  $T_1$  space. On the other side, we show that  $T_1$ space also has a topological property. Let  $\chi : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  be a homeomorphic mapping and  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  be  $T_0$  space therefore  $(Y, \tau_3, \tau_4)$ is also a  $T_1$  space since a  $T_0$  implies a  $T_1$  space. Let  $b_1, b_2 \in Y$  where  $b_1 \neq b_2$ . Since  $\chi$  is surjective function it then implies that there exists  $a_1, a_2 \in X$  with  $\chi(a_1) = \chi(b_1)$  and also  $\chi(a_2) = b_2$ . Hence  $\chi$  is also one to one function with  $b_1 \neq b_2$  this implies that  $\chi(a_1) \neq \chi(a_2)$  hence  $a_1 \neq a_2$ . Since  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a  $T_1$  space and  $a_1, a_2 \in X$ , with  $a_1 \neq a_2$ . Then there exists  $U \in \tau_1 \cup \tau_2$  such that  $a_1 \in U$  and  $a_1$  or  $a_1$  does not exists in  $U, a_2 \in U$ . Since  $a_1 \in U, a_2$  does not exists in U then  $U \in \tau_1 \cup \tau_2$ . Therefore,  $\chi(U) \in \chi(\tau_1 \cup \tau_2)$ . Using Tychonoff Theorem as a methodology,  $\chi$  is open and continuous then  $\chi(U) \in \chi(\tau_1) \cup \chi(\tau_2) \in \tau'_3 \cup \tau'_4$ . Similarly,  $a_1 \in U$  and so  $\chi(a_1) \in \chi(U)$  also  $b_1 \in \chi(U)$  and  $a_2$  does not exists

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in U then it follows that  $\chi(a_2)$  does not exists in  $\chi(U)$ , and also  $b_2$  is not an element of  $\chi(U)$ . By Definition 1.7  $b_1, b_2 \in Y$  with  $b_1 \neq b_2$  and  $\chi(U) \in \tau'_1 \cup \tau'_2$  is obtained such that  $b_1 \in \chi(U)$ ,  $b_2$  does not exists in  $\chi(U)$ . Hence  $(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  is also a  $T_1$  space. Hence  $\chi$  is continuous if and only if the maps  $\chi : (X, \tau_1) \to (Y, \tau'_1)$  and  $\chi : (X, \tau_2) \to (Y, \tau'_2)$  are continuous. Every  $T_1$  space implies  $T_0$  space by hypothesis of heredity. Therefore, a  $T_1$  space has a topological property.

**Proposition 4.19.** Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  be a  $T_2$  space then the property of  $T_2$  is both topological and hereditary.

*Proof.* Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  and  $(Y, \tau_1, \tau_2')$  be bitopological spaces. If  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ is a  $T_2$  space then it exhibits topological properties. Let  $\chi: (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow$  $(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  be a homeomorphism and  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is also a  $T_2$  space. Then we show that  $(Y, \tau'_3, \tau'_4)$  is also  $T_2$  space. Hence  $b_1, b_2 \in Y$  with  $y_1 \neq y_2$ . Suppose that  $\chi$  is a surjective function then all elements in Y are images of elements in X. Hence there exists  $a_1, a_2 \in X$  with  $\chi(a_1) = b_1$  and  $\chi(a_2) = b_2$ . Similarly since  $\chi$  is an injective function then  $b_1 \neq b_2$ . This implies that  $\chi(a_1) \neq \chi(a_2)$ , and  $a_1 \neq a_2$ . Therefore,  $a_1, a_2 \in X$  with  $a_1 \neq a_2$ . Consequently, since  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a  $T_2$  space then  $U \in \tau_1$  and  $V \in \tau_2$ . Therefore,  $a_1 \in U, a_2 \in V$  then it suffices that  $U \cap V \neq \emptyset$ . Suppose that  $\chi$  is open then  $\chi(U) \in \tau'_1$  and also  $\chi(V) \in \tau'_2$  then  $\chi(U) \cap \chi(V) \neq \emptyset$ . Given that  $c \in X$  then  $c \in \chi(U) \cap \chi(V)$ . Therefore,  $c \in \chi(U)$  and  $c \in \chi(V)$  then  $p_1 \in U$  and  $p_2 \in V$  such that  $c = \chi(p_1)$  and  $c \in \chi(p_2)$  with  $\chi(p_1) = \chi(p_2)$  and  $p_1 = p_2$  since  $\chi$  is an injective function then  $p_1 \in U$  and  $p_1 \in V$ . Hence  $p_1 \in U \cap V \neq \emptyset$  by contradiction. Suppose that  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ which implies that  $\chi(U) \cap \chi(V) = \emptyset$ . Therefore,  $b_1, b_2 \in Y$  with  $b_1 \neq b_2$ hence  $\chi(U) = \tau'_1$ . Hence  $(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  is a  $T_2$  space. Every homeomorphism

image of a  $T_2$  is a  $T_2$  space, therefore it implies that  $T_2$  is a topological property. Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  be a  $T_2$  space then it has hereditary property. Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  also be  $T_2$  space. Since  $D \subseteq X$ , we prove that  $(D, \tau_{D1}, \tau_{D2})$ is also  $T_2$  space. Suppose that  $a, b \in D$  and  $a \neq b$  then  $a, b \in X$ . From Definition 1.2, it follows that there exists  $U \in \tau_1 \cup \tau_2$  such that  $a \in U, b$  is not a member of U and also a does not exists in U but  $b \in U$ . Therefore,  $U \in \tau_1 \cup \tau_2$ , it implies that  $U \in \tau_1$  or  $U \in \tau_2$  where  $U \cap D \in \tau_{D1}$ or  $U \cap D \in \tau_{D2}$ . By Tychonoff theorem,  $U \cap D \in \tau_{D1} \cap \tau_{D2}$ . Similarly  $a, b \in D$  then  $a \in U \cap D$ , b does not exists in  $U \cap D$  or a is not an element of  $U \cap D$ ,  $b \in U \cap D$ . Hence it implies that topological property is also exhibited by a bitopological subspace  $(D, \tau_{D1}, \tau_{D2})$ .

**Proposition 4.20.** Suppose that  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a  $T_{\frac{5}{2}}$  space then the property of  $T_{\frac{5}{2}}$  is both topological and hereditary.

Proof. From our result in Proposition 4.19 we have shown that  $T_1$  space implies  $T_2$  space. This therefore follows that a  $T_{\frac{5}{2}}$  space both  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ . We commence by showing hereditary property in  $T_{\frac{5}{2}}$  space. Given that  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a bitopological space which is also a  $T_{\frac{5}{2}}$  space, we can let  $K \subseteq X$  such that  $(K, \tau_{K1}, \tau_{K2})$  is a subspace which is also a  $T_{\frac{5}{2}}$  space. It suffices that K is a subspace of X. Taking m and n to be elements of K then  $m, n \in K$  but  $m \neq n$ . Since  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a  $T_{\frac{5}{2}}$  space then the intersection of A and B is said to be empty,  $A \cap B = \emptyset$ . Therefore, since  $A \in \tau_1$  and  $B \in \tau_2$ . By continuum hypothesis it follows that  $A \in \tau_1$ ,  $B \in \tau_2$  then it follows that  $A \cap K \in \tau_{K1}$  and  $B \cap K \in \tau_{K2}$ . Hence  $m, n \in K$ then  $m \in A \cap K$ ,  $n \in B \cap K$ . Hence it clear that  $(K, \tau_{K1}, \tau_{K2})$  is  $T_{\frac{5}{2}}$  space. If  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$ . Suppose a function  $\chi$  is a homeomorphic function then it follows that  $(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  is also a  $T_{\frac{5}{2}}$  space. Therefore,  $n_1, n_2 \in Y$ with  $n_1 \neq n_2$ . Let  $m_1, m_2 \in X$  with  $\chi(m_1) = \chi(n_1)$  and  $\chi(m_2) = n_2$ . Suppose  $\chi$  is injective with  $n_1 \neq n_2$  consequently,  $\chi(m_1) \neq \chi(m_2)$  and  $m_1 \neq m_2$ . Hence  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $T_{\frac{5}{2}}$  space then  $m_1, m_2 \in X$ , with  $m_1 \neq m_2$ and there exists  $A \in \tau_1 \cup \tau_2$  such that  $m_1 \in A$ , while  $m_2$  does not exists in A or  $m_1$  does not exists in A, and  $a_2 \in A$ . Similarly,  $m_1 \in A, m_2$  does not exists in U therefore, we have that  $A \in \tau_1 \cup \tau_2$  such that  $\chi(A) \in \chi(\tau_1 \cup \tau_2)$ . By conditions for separation axioms,  $\chi(A) \in \chi(\tau_1) \cup \chi(\tau_2) \in \tau'_1 \cup \tau^2_2$ ,  $m_1 \in A$  such that  $\chi(m_1) \in \chi(A)$  hence  $n_1 \in \chi(A)$  and  $m_2$  does not exists in A and  $\chi(m_2)$  is not an element of  $\chi(A)$ , this implies that  $n_2$  does not exists  $\chi(A)$  for any  $n_1, n_2 \in Y$  with  $n_1 \neq n_2, \chi(A) \in \tau'_1 \cup \tau'_2$  is obtained such that  $n_1 \in \chi(A), n_2$  does not exists in  $\chi(A)$ . Therefore,  $(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  is also  $T_{\frac{5}{2}}$  space with topological property.  $\Box$ 

**Lemma 4.21.** Suppose  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a normal bitopological space then the property of  $T_4$  is hereditary.

Proof. Since we are taking  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  as a normal bitopological space then it is enough that there exist two disjoint closed sets say x and y where  $x \neq y$ . Also there are two disjoint open sets say U and V such that  $x \subset U$ and  $y \subset V$ . By Definition 1.7 it shows that  $x \in U$ , whereas y does not exists in U similarly x is not a member of V but  $y \in V$ . Normal bitopological space implies  $T_2$  space. Therefore, it suffices that  $x, y \in X$  with  $x \neq y$ . This follows that  $U \in \tau_1 \cup \tau_2$  such that  $x \in U$ , whereas y does not exists in U, using conditions for normality. On the other hand x is not a cardinality of V but  $y \in V$ , hence normal spaces have topological property. Next, we show that normality and hereditary properties are the same. The result from Proposition 4.18, indicates that  $\chi : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  and  $\chi$  is homeomorphic since it is a bijective function. Let  $A \subseteq X$ . Consequently, if  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a normal space then A is also normal. Considering disjoint open sets U and V we have  $U \in \tau_1$  and  $V \in \tau_2$  such that  $x \in U, y \in V$  and  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ . Hence  $(A, \tau_{A1}, \tau_{A2})$  is normal. Therefore,  $U \in \tau_1$  and  $V \in \tau_2$ so  $U \cap A \in \tau_{A1}$  and  $V \cap A \in \tau_{A2}$ . This closely follows that  $x \in V \cap A$ ,  $y \in V \cap A$ . Hence this follows that  $(U \cap A) \cap (V \cap A) \cap A = \emptyset \cap A = \emptyset$ . Hence  $(A, \tau_{A1}, \tau_{A2})$  is a normal subspace and so induces topologies from  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ .

Next, we consider results of  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_{\lambda}$  axioms on bitopological spaces if and only if they are  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -symmetric.

**Proposition 4.22.** Suppose  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_{\lambda}$  then it is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -symmetric.

Proof. Since we have two bitopological spaces  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  and  $(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$ therefore we have  $i - \pi_{\lambda}$ -open in X and  $j - \pi_{\lambda}$ -open in Y. Therefore it suffices that we have symmetric points  $\pi_{\lambda}(\{y\})$  and  $\pi_{\lambda}(\{x\})$ . Therefore, since  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  it also has  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_{\lambda}$ . Given that we have two open sets  $U \subseteq X$  and  $V \subseteq Y$  if  $x \in X$  and  $y \in Y$  then it suffices that  $\pi_{\lambda}(\{y\}) \in V$ and  $\pi_{\lambda}(\{x\}) \in U$ . This shows that  $y \in V$  and  $x \in U$ . Therefore, disjoint closed subsets x, and y are contained in  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -open set. Since  $x \neq y$ then  $y \in ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{x\})$ . Let U be  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -open in X then it suffices that  $x \in U$ , and  $ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{y\})$ . y does not exist in  $ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{x\})$ . Therefore,  $ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{x\}) \subseteq U$ . Since both U and if V is  $\pi_{\lambda}$  open in Y which contain  $ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{y\})$ . Consequently this follows that y does not exists in U or  $y \in ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{x\})$  and x is not a cardinality of  $ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{x\})$ . Hence  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_0$  since it has topological property as indicated by Proposition 4.17. So  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_{\lambda}$ .

**Proposition 4.23.** Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  be  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_{\lambda}$  symmetric then it is both  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_0$  and  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x \in X$  and  $y \in Y$ , therefore we take U and V to be  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open sets in X and Y respectively. Taking  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  to be  $ij - \pi_\lambda - T_\lambda$  symmetric then we have  $\pi_{\lambda}(\{x\})$  and  $\pi_{\lambda}(\{y\})$  with  $\pi_{\lambda}(\{x\}) \neq \pi_{\lambda}(\{y\})$ . We assume that a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_0$  since it is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_{\lambda}$ symmetric. Since  $x, y \in X$  with  $x \neq y$  and also U and  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}(\{y\})$  be any two disjoint open sets. It suffices that two disjoint points x and y are elements of open sets either U or  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}(\{y\})$ . Therefore, if x and y are contained in  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -open set, then we have  $y \in U$  and  $x \in U$ . The fact that U is a member of  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -open set then it follows  $x \in U$  and y is not a member of U. By Tychonoff theorem,  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}(\{x\}) \subseteq U$ . Therefore, since y does not exists U and  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}(\{x\})$  hence by assumption x does not exists in  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}(\{x\})$ . Since  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}(\{x\}) \subseteq U$  then  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_0$ . Now, it implies that  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_{\lambda}$  symmetric. Therefore, every  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_{\lambda}$  symmetric imply  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_1$ . Since  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_0$ we suppose that  $x \in K \subset X\{y\}$  for  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -open set K. Therefore, x is not a member of  $ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{y\})$  and y does not exists in  $ij - Cl\pi(\{x\})$ . Therefore,  $X \setminus ij - Cl\pi(\{x\})$  is an  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -open set containing y but not x. Hence  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_1$ . 

**Lemma 4.24.** If a space is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_0$  then  $ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{x\}) \neq ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{y\})$  hence  $ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{x\}) \cap ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{y\})$  is empty.

*Proof.* Suppose that  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_0$  then we have two distinct points x and y. Hence it suffices that  $ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{y\}) \neq ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{x\})$ . Therefore, this follows that  $x \in ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{x\})$  whereby x is not a member of  $ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{y\})$  this implies that  $y \in ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{y\})$  and y does not exists in  $ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{x\})$ . Since x is not a member of  $ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{y\})$ therefore there exists  $V \in ij - B\lambda O(X, x)$  such that y does not exists in V. However,  $x \in ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{x\})$  hence  $x \in V$ . Therefore, this follows that x is not a member of  $ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{y\})$ . Then it implies that  $x \in$  $X \setminus ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{y\}) \in ij - B\lambda O(X)$ . Since  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_0$ then  $ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{x\}) \subset X \setminus ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{y\})$ . By Proposition 4.23, we have  $ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{x\}) \cap ij - \pi Cl_{\lambda}(\{y\}) = \emptyset$ . This therefore implies that  $ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{x\}) \subset V$ . Since y not to be an element of V then it follows that  $y \in X \setminus V$  hence  $y \neq x$  and x does not exists in  $ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{y\})$ . This shows that  $ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{y\}) \neq ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{x\})$ . By assumption  $ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{x\})$  $Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{y\}) \cap ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{x\}) = \emptyset$  hence y does not exists in  $ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{x\})$ and so  $ij - Cl\pi_{\lambda}(\{x\}) \subseteq V$ . Therefore,  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_0$ . 

Next, we illustrate in the following result that normal  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_2$ bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is the same as Hausdorff space.

### **Theorem 4.25.** Given that $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ is a $T_2$ then it is $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_2$ .

Proof. Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  be a normal bitopological space. By the conditions for normality, there are disjoint points x and y with  $x \neq y$ . Suppose we are taking U and V to be  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open sets from bitopological spaces  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ and  $(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  respectively. So we have  $x \subset U$  and  $y \subset V$ . By definition 1.10 since two disjoint closed sets  $x, y \in X$  then it implies that  $x \in U$ and  $y \in V$ . By hypothesis, normal bitopological spaces are also  $T_2$  spaces. Since we have disjoint sets x and y which are members of X and x is not equal to y. It follows that  $U \in \tau_1 \cup \tau_2$  such that  $x \in U$  and  $y \in V$ . By Lemma 4.21, suppose that  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is normal then  $(A, \tau_{A1}, \tau_{A2})$  is also normal. This is because  $A \subseteq X$ . There are open disjoint sets U and Vwhere  $U \in \tau_1$  and  $V \in \tau_2$  such that  $x \in U, y \in V$ . Hence it suffices that  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ . Consequently, by conditions for normality we have  $U \in \tau_1$  and  $V \in \tau_2$  then  $U \cap A \in \tau_{A1}$  hence  $V \cap A \in \tau_{A2}$ . Then it implies that  $x \in U \cap A$ ,  $y \in V \cap A$ . Then  $(U \cap A) \cap (V \cap A) \cap A = \emptyset \cap A = \emptyset$ . Since  $(A, \tau_{A1}, \tau_{A2})$  is a bitopological subspace so it also exhibits topological property. If  $T_2$  is a Hausdorff space then it implies that there are two distinct closed sets. Since there are distinct closed sets there exists also distinct open sets Uand V. By hypothesis,  $x \in U, y$  is not a cardinality of V but  $y \in V$ . Hence  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $ij - \pi_\lambda - T_2$ . Therefore,  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a Hausdorff space and every normal  $ij - \pi_\lambda - T_2$  space is also Hausdorff space.

**Corollary 4.26.** Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  be  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_2$  then the property of  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_2$  is topological.

Proof. For a bitopological space that is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_2$  exhibit homeormorphic property. For instance, a function  $\chi : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  is homeomorphic if and only if it can mapping  $\chi : (X, \tau_1 \to (Y, \tau'_1)$  and also  $\chi : (X, \tau_2) \to (Y, \tau'_2)$ . Therefore, there exists disjoint open sets  $y_1, y_2 \in Y$  with  $y_1 \neq y_2$ . By hypothesis,  $\chi$  is a bijective function then it follows that  $x_1, x_2 \in X$  with  $\chi(x_1) = y_1$  and  $\chi(x_2) = y_2$ . However, if  $\chi$  is an injective function with  $y_1 \neq y_2$ . Then this implies that  $\chi(x_1) \neq \chi(x_2)$ , this shows clearly that  $x_1 \neq x_2$  hence both distinct points  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are members of X with  $x_1 \neq x_2$ . Since  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a  $T_2$  space then it implies that there exists  $U \in \tau_1$  and  $V \in \tau_2$  such that  $x_1 \in U, x_2 \in V$ . By assumption we

can say that  $U \cap V \neq \emptyset$ . Hence  $\chi(U) \in \tau_3$  and  $\chi(V) \in \tau_4$  due to the fact that  $\chi$  is an open function. By Tychonoff theorem,  $\chi(U) \cap \chi(V) \neq \emptyset$ . It follows closely that  $c \in X$ , hence  $c \in \chi(U) \cap \chi(V)$ . It implies that c is an element of  $\chi(U)$  and  $\chi(V)$ . So there exists distinct elements  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  such that  $p_1 \in U$  and  $p_2 \in V$ . By any chance  $p_1 = p_2$  then  $p_1 \in U$ and  $p_1 \in V$ . Hence it follows that  $p_1 \in U \cap V \neq \emptyset$  and by contradiction if  $U \cap V = \emptyset$  then  $\chi(U) \cap \chi(V) = \emptyset$ . Given that  $y_1, y_2 \in Y$  with  $y_1 \neq y_2$ then  $\chi(U) = \tau_3$  hence  $y_1 \in \chi(U), y_2 \in \chi(V)$ . Similarly it follows that  $\chi(U) \cap \chi(V) \neq \emptyset$ . Therefore,  $(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  is a  $T_2$  space. Hence  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ and  $(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  are  $ij - \pi_\lambda - T_2$  spaces and topological.

**Corollary 4.27.** Let  $(X, \tau_1)$  be  $T_{\frac{5}{2}}$  space and  $(X, \tau_2)$  be any topological space then  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_{\frac{5}{2}}$ .

Proof. The result from Proposition 4.2 indicates that  $T_1$  space implies  $T_2$ space. Therefore, suppose  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  be a  $T_{\frac{5}{2}}$  space. Let  $R \subseteq X$  hence it follows that  $(R, \tau_{R1}, \tau_{R2})$  is also a  $T_{\frac{5}{2}}$  space. From Proposition 4.20, *i*-open set in X and *j*-open set in Y. If we take x and y to be disjoint points such that  $x \in R$  with  $x \neq y$ . Since  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a  $T_{\frac{5}{2}}$  space. If  $A \in \tau_1$  and  $B \in \tau_2$  whereby we have that  $x \in U, y \in V$ . Hence it qualifies that  $A \cap V = \emptyset$ . By separation axioms technique, we have  $U \cap R \in \tau_{R1}$ and  $V \cap R \in \tau_{R2}$  therefore it suffices that  $x, y \in M$  hence  $x \in U \cap R$ . So  $y \in V \cap R$ . Therefore,  $(R, \tau_{R1}, \tau_{R2})$  is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_{\frac{5}{2}}$ . Since  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ is an  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_{\frac{5}{2}}$  space. More over it has topological property. Let  $\chi : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  and  $\chi$  is homeomorphic. Since  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_{\frac{5}{2}}$  then it implies that  $(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  is also an  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_{\frac{5}{2}}$  space. Therefore,  $y_1, y_2 \in Y$  with  $n_1 \neq y_2$ . Since  $\chi$  is a surjective function then it implies that  $x_1, x_2 \in X$  such that  $\chi(x_1) = \chi(y_1)$  and  $\chi(y_2) = x_2$ . Similarly, if  $\chi$  is an injective function with  $y_1 \neq y_2$  it follows that  $\chi(x_1) \neq \chi(x_2)$  and  $x_1 \neq x_2$ . Therefore, since  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $ij - \pi_\lambda - T_{\frac{5}{2}}$  space then it implies that  $x_1, x_2 \in X$ , with  $x_1 \neq x_2$  and so  $\exists A \in \tau_1 \cup \tau_2$  hence  $x_1 \in U, x_1$  does not exists in A or  $x_1$  are not elements of  $U, x_2 \in A$  also  $x_1 \in U, x_2$  does not exists in A hence  $U \in \tau_1 \cup \tau_2$ . Then  $\chi(U) \in \chi(\tau_1 \cup \tau_2)$  since  $\chi$  is an open function it therefore implies that  $\chi(u) \in \chi(\tau_1) \cup \chi(\tau_2) \in \tau'_1 \cup \tau'_2$ . Since  $x_1 \in A$  then it implies that  $\chi(x_1) \in \chi(U)$  so  $y_1 \in \chi(U)$  and  $x_2$  is not an element in U which implies that  $\chi(x_2)$  does not  $\chi(U)$  and  $y_2$  does not exists  $\chi(U)$ . For any  $y_1, y_2 \in Y$  with  $y_1 \neq y_2, \chi(U) \in \tau'_1 \cup \tau'_2$  is obtained such that  $y_1 \in \chi(U)$  and  $y_2$  is not a member of  $\chi(U)$ . Hence  $(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  is a  $ij - \pi_\lambda - T_{\frac{5}{2}}$  space. Therefore,  $ij - \pi_\lambda - T_{\frac{5}{2}}$  space is both topological and hereditary.

**Theorem 4.28.** Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  be pairwise  $\pi_{\lambda} - T_0$  if it has  $\tau_1 - \eta$  or  $\tau_2 - \eta$  as distinct points of X.

Proof. Since  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a  $T_0$  space we can let  $\tau_1 - \eta cl\{x\} \neq \tau_1 - \eta cl\{y\}$ to be distinct points of X. If we takex, y as distinct points in X then  $x \neq y$ . Therefore, from Corollary 4.26 we can deduce that  $\tau_1 - \eta cl\{x\} \neq \tau_1 - \eta cl\{y\}$  and hence by no doubt of generality  $\tau_2 - \eta cl\{x\} \neq \tau_2 - \eta cl\{y\}$ . Incase we have another element of X say p then it also implies that  $p \in \tau_1 - \eta cl\{y\}$ . So it suffice to confirm that p does not belongs to  $\tau_1 - \eta cl\{x\}$ . Therefore, a contradiction arises immediately. So it suffices that  $\tau_1 - \eta$ and  $\tau_2 - \eta$  are distinct closed points of X. Suppose we are considering a function  $\chi$  :  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  then if  $\tau_1 - \eta, \tau_2 - \eta \in X$  with  $\tau_1 - \eta \neq \tau_2 - \eta$ . Suppose that  $\chi$  is a surjective function then all elements in Y are images of elements in X. Hence it suffices that  $\chi(\tau_1 - \eta) = \tau_1 - \eta$ and  $\chi(\tau_2 - eta) = \tau_2 - \eta$ . Similarly since if  $\chi$  is an injective function then  $\tau_1 - \eta \neq \tau_2 - \eta$ . This implies that  $\chi(\tau_1 - \eta) \neq \chi(\tau_2 - \eta)$ , and  $\tau_1 - \eta \neq \tau_2 - \eta$ .

We illustrate pairwise property of bitopological spaces in the result that follow.

**Theorem 4.29.** A bitopological space is pairwise  $\pi_{\lambda}T_0$  if either of the two topologies is  $\pi_{\lambda}T_0$ .

Proof. Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  be a bitopological space. Then  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is said to be pairwise  $\pi_{\lambda}T_0$  if either  $(X, \tau_1)$  or  $(X, \tau_2)$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}T_0$ . For pairwise there exists distinct closed points x and y whereby  $x, y \in X$ . Therefore, it suffices that there exist two disjoint open sets A and B. From Theorem 4.28, it is true that open set A is a  $\tau_1 - \eta$ -open set. So A contains x as its element but not y. Therefore,  $y \in \tau_1 - \eta cl\{y\} \subset X - U$  this follows that x is not a member of  $\tau_1 - \eta cl\{y\}$ . Hence we can then have  $\tau_1 - \eta cl\{x\} \neq$  $\tau_1 - \eta cl\{y\}\tau_1 - \eta$  and  $\tau_2 - \eta$  are closed distinct points. However, this does not need to be true in general. This can be indicated by this obstruction if  $X = \{m, n, p\}, \tau_1 = \{X, \emptyset, \{m\}, \{n, p\}\}$  and  $\tau_2 = \{X, \emptyset, \{p\}, \{m, n\}\}$ . From this it shows that a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is pairwise  $\lambda T_0$ when neither  $(X, \tau_1)$  nor is  $(X, \tau_2)$  is  $\lambda T_0$ .

**Theorem 4.30.** Suppose  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is normal bitopological space then it is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}T_0$ .

*Proof.* Given that we have a bitopological space then it is said to be normal if and only if there two disjoint points which can be separated by open neighborhoods say P and Q such that their intersection is empty. Therefore, suppose that m and n are disjoint closed sets then  $m \neq n$ .

taking P and Q as open sets in X then it suffices that  $m \subset P$  and also  $n \subset Q$  and since m and n are members of X, it follows that  $m \in P$  but n does not exists in P, while  $n \in Q$  but m is not a member of Q. By the use of conditions for normality, we can say that  $P \in \tau_1 \cup \tau_2$  such that  $m \in P$ and also  $n \in Q$ . From Theorem 4.29,  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $\lambda T_0$  therefore it is also  $ij - \lambda T_0$ -normal. Thus, by Example 1.9, there are two open sets P which is also  $\tau_1 - \eta$ -open and Q which is  $\tau_2 - \eta$ -open. Therefore, it follows that  $n \in \tau_1 - \eta cl\{n\} \subset X - P$ , hence *m* is not a member of  $\tau_1 - \eta cl\{n\}$ . By Tychonoff theorem we can say that  $\tau_1 - \eta cl\{m\} \neq \tau_1 - \eta cl\{n\}$ . Given that there are two distinct points m and n which are members of X. Therefore, neither  $\tau_1 - \eta cl\{m\} \neq \tau_1 - \eta cl\{n\}$  nor  $\tau_2 - \eta cl\{m\} \neq \tau_2 - \eta cl\{n\}$ . Suppose that we have c as any point of X such that  $c \in \tau_1 - \eta cl\{n\}$ . If give that  $n \in \tau_1 - \eta cl\{m\}$  therefore  $\tau_1 - \eta cl\{n\} \subset \tau_1 - \eta cl\{m\}$ . Hence it implies that  $c \in \tau_1 - \eta cl\{n\} \subset \tau_1 - \eta cl\{m\}$ . By contradiction, since c is not a cardinality of  $\tau_1 - \eta cl\{m\}$  then it shows that n is not a member of  $\tau_1 - \eta cl\{m\}$  thus  $P = X - \tau_1 - \eta cl\{m\}$  is a  $\tau_1 - \eta$ -open set that contains *n* but not *x*. Hence it implies that  $\tau_2 - \eta cl\{a\} \neq \tau_2 - \eta cl\{n\}$ . Therefore,  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $ij - \lambda T_0$  and it implies that is a normal space. 

The following is the immediate consequence.

**Corollary 4.31.** Every  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_2$  is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_1$  and  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_0$ .

Proof. Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  be  $ij - \pi_{\lambda} - T_2$ , then by assumption  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is pairwise  $\pi_{\lambda}T_0$ . Suppose that G is any open set which is also  $T_i - \pi_{\lambda}$ -open set. Therefore,  $x \in G$  such that each point  $y \in X$ . Then  $T_j - \pi Cl\{y\}$ . It implies that there exists  $T_i - \pi_{\lambda}$  open set  $U_y$  and any  $T_j - \pi_{\lambda}$ -open set  $V_y$  such that every point  $x \in U_y$  and also  $y \in V_y$ . Therefore, it suffices that  $U_y \cap V_y = \emptyset$ . Similarly, if  $A = \bigcup \{V_y : y \in X - G\}$  then  $X - G \subset A$ and x does not exists in A. Therefore,  $T_j - \pi_\lambda$  openness of A implies that  $T_j - \pi Cl\{x\} \subset X - A \subset G$ . Therefore, we can it is true that X is  $\pi_\lambda T_0$ and  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $ij - \pi_\lambda - T_0$ . By the continuum hypothesis,  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $ij - \pi_\lambda - T_0$ , this is because there exists closed disjoint sets say x and y. This follows that  $x \neq y$  and  $x \in ij - \pi Cl_\lambda(\{y\})$ . Therefore, it is assumed that y is not a member of  $ij - \pi Cl\pi_\lambda(\{x\})$  and so  $ij - \pi Cl_{\pi_\lambda}(\{x\}) \subseteq U$ . Thus this implies that  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $ij - \pi_\lambda - T_0$ . Hence without of generality  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $ij - \pi_\lambda - T_0$  then it is  $ij - \pi_\lambda - T_2$ . Therefore,  $ij - \pi_\lambda - T_2$ imply  $ij - \pi_\lambda - T_1$  which also imply  $ij - \pi_\lambda - T_0$ .

From the results that we obtained in this second objective, we established that separation axioms such as  $T_0$ -Kolmogorov space,  $T_1$ -Fretchét space,  $T_2$ -Housdorff space,  $T_{\frac{5}{2}}$ -Urysohn space and  $T_4$ -Normal Hausdorff space can be used in bitopological spaces through the notion of ij-continuity.

Finally, in the next section we consider third objective in our study. We determine extensions of continuity and separation axioms in N-topological spaces.

## 4.4 Extensions of Continuity and Separation Axioms in N-Topological Spaces

For this objective we consider  $(X, N_{\tau})$  as N-topological spaces with Ntopology on X with no separation axioms are assumed unless specifically stated. We are taking  $N_{\tau}$ -open to be open sets in N-topological spaces and  $N_{\tau}$ -closed to be closed sets in N-topological spaces.

In Proposition 4.32 we give some axioms that N-topological spaces meet.

**Proposition 4.32.** Let X be a non empty set and  $\tau_1, \tau_2, ..., \tau_N$  be arbitrary topologies defined on X. Then the collection  $N_{\tau} = \{S \subseteq X : S = (\bigcup_{i=1}^{N} A_i) \bigcup_{i=1}^{N} B_i \}$ , is N-topology if it satisfy the following axioms:

- (i)  $X, \phi \in N_{\tau}$ .
- (ii). If N = 1 then  $N\tau = \tau_1 = \tau$ .
- (iii). Intersection of two 2τ also implies a 2τ. Similarly, the intersection of two 3τ is also a 3τ.

*Proof.* For axiom (i) and (ii) are trivial topology.

To prove axiom (*ii*). Let  $N\tau_1$  and  $N\tau_2$  be two N-topologies which are defined on X. Therefore, it implies that X and  $\emptyset$  are both in  $N\tau_1 \bigcap N\tau_2$ . Let  $\{C_i\}_{i\in I} \in N\tau_1 \bigcap N\tau_2$  and  $\bigcup_{i\in I} C_i \in N\tau_1$  it follows that  $\bigcup_{i\in I} C_iN\tau_2$ . Thus by the definition 1.12 it follows that  $N\tau_1 \cap N\tau_2$  is a member of  $2\tau$ . Suppose we let  $\{C_i\}_{i=1}^N \in N\tau_1 \bigcap N\tau_2$  then  $\bigcap_{i=1}^N \in N\tau_1$ , this implies that  $\bigcap_{i=1}^N \in N\tau_2$ . Therefore,  $N\tau_1 \cap N\tau_2$  is an N-topology.

The following remark 4.33 follows immediately.

**Remark 4.33.** The union of two  $2\tau$  need not to be  $2\tau$ . Likewise the union of two  $3\tau$  need not to be in  $3\tau$ .

In our next result we show some of the properties exhibited by Ntopological spaces. We therefore illustrate that a function  $\chi$  is continuous in N-topological spaces  $N_{\tau}$ -open inverse in Y is  $N_{\tau}$ -open in X. We also consider two different continuous functions that are mapping one N-topological space to another. Then it implies that the composition of these functions mapping N-topological space to another is also continuous. We give the result that follows.

**Proposition 4.34.** Let  $\chi : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, ..., \tau_N) \to (Y, \tau_1, \tau_2, ..., \tau_N)$  be a continuous function if the inverse of  $N_{\tau}$ -open subset in Y is also  $N_{\tau}$ -open in X. Then  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous.

Proof. Let A be  $N_{\tau}$ -open set in Y. Then  $\chi^{-1}(A)$  is clopen in X. Hence it implies that  $\chi^{-1}(A) \in \pi_{\lambda}B(X)$ , then by Proposition 4.2, a function  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous since A is  $N_{\tau}$ -open set in Y. Then we can show that  $\chi^{-1}(A)$  is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set in X, suppose that  $\chi^{-1}(A) \neq \emptyset$  then it therefore implies that  $\chi^{-1}(A)$  is a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set in X, and if  $\chi^{-1}(A) \subseteq X$ , then for each  $x \in \chi^{-1}(A)$ , we have  $\chi(x) \in A$ . Since  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous then it implies that there exists a  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open set  $B_x$  in X such that  $x \in B_x$  and  $\chi(B_x) \subseteq A$ . This implies that  $x \in B_x \subseteq \chi^{-1}(A)$ . This therefore shows that  $\chi^{-1}(A)$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in X. On the other hand if we let  $x \in X$  and A $N_{\tau}$ -open set in Y containing  $\chi(x)$ . Then it follows that  $x \in \chi^{-1}(A)$ . By hypothesis,  $\chi^{-1}(A)$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open in X containing x, hence it suffices that  $\chi(\chi^{-1}(A)) \subseteq A$ . Therefore,  $\chi$  is  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous.

**Proposition 4.35.** The property of soft- $\pi - T_0$  is hereditary in tritopological spaces.

*Proof.* Let Y be a soft-subspace of soft- $\pi$ -T<sub>0</sub>-space  $(X, N\tau_1, N\tau_2, N\tau_3, E)$ .

There are distinct soft-points  $e_A$  and  $e_B$  with  $e_A \neq e_B \in Y$ . Since  $Y \subseteq X$ then it implies that  $e_A, e_B \in X$  and so  $(X, N\tau_1, N\tau_2, N\tau_3, E)$  is a soft- $\pi - T_0$ -space. By separation axioms, there exists soft-  $\pi$ -open sets  $(F_1, E)$ ,  $(F_2, E)$  such that  $e_A \in (F_1, E)$  or  $e_B$  does not exists in  $(F_1, E)$  and  $e_B \in (F_2, E)$ ,  $e_A$  does not belongs to  $(F_2, E)$ . Hence it follows that  $(F_1, E) \cap Y = (F_{1Y}, E)$  is a soft- $\pi$ -open set in Y and  $e_A \in (F_{1Y}, E)$ ,  $e_B$  is not a member of  $(F_{1Y}, E)$ . On the other hand, we can show that  $e_A$ does not exists in  $(F_2, E)$ ,  $e_B \in (F_2, E)$  then  $e_A$  does not exists  $(F_{2Y}, E)$ and  $e_B \in (F_{2Y}, E)$ . Hence Y is a soft- $\pi - T_0$ .

**Lemma 4.36.** Given that  $(X, N\tau_1, N\tau_2, ..., \tau_N)$  is a normal N-topological space then the property of  $T_4$  is both topological and hereditary.

Proof. Suppose that  $(X, N\tau_1, N\tau_2, ..., \tau_N)$  is a normal space it therefore implies that there exist two disjoint closed sets say a and b where  $a \neq b$ . Also there are two disjoint open sets say U and V such that  $a, b \in X$ . Then this suffices that  $a \in U$ , whereas b does not exists in U similarly ais not a member of V but  $b \in V$ . Normal bitopological space implies  $T_2$  space. Therefore, it suffices that  $a, b \in X$  with  $a \neq b$ . This follows that there exists  $U \in \tau_1 \cup \tau_2$  such that  $a \in U$ , whereas b does not exists in U. On the other hand a is not a cardinality of V but  $b \in V$ , hence normal spaces have topological property. We show that normality and hereditary properties are the same. By Proposition 4.18,  $\chi : (X, N\tau_1, N\tau_2, ..., \tau_N) \rightarrow (Y, N\tau'_1, N\tau'_2, ..., \tau N')$  and  $\chi$  is homeomorphic since it is a bijective function. Let  $M \subseteq X$ . Therefore, this follows that if  $(X, N\tau_1, N\tau_2, ..., \tau_N)$  is a normal space then M is also normal, by employing the conditions for normality, a subspace of X is also normal. considering disjoint open sets U and V we have  $U \in N_{\tau_1}$  and  $V \in N_{\tau_2}$  such that  $a \in U, b \in V$  and  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ . Hence  $(M, N_{\tau_{M1}}, N_{\tau_{M2}})$ is normal. Therefore,  $U \in N_{\tau_1}$  and  $V \in N_{\tau_2}$  so  $U \cap M \in N_{\tau_{M1}}$  and  $V \cap M \in N_{\tau_{M2}}$ . This closely follows that  $a \in U \cap M$  likewise  $b \in V \cap M$ . Hence  $(M, N\tau_{M1}, N\tau_{M2}, ..., N\tau_{MN})$  has both normality and topological properties induced from  $(X, N\tau_1, N\tau_2, ..., \tau_N)$ .

**Theorem 4.37.** The property of soft- $\pi_{\lambda}$ -closed is hereditary in N-normal topological space.

Proof. We have two disjoint points  $(F_1, E)$  and  $(F_2, E)$  which are soft- $\pi_{\lambda}$ closed subsets of  $(Y, N\tau'_1, N\tau'_2, ..., \tau N')$ . Then there exists soft- $\pi$ -closed subsets (H, E) and (V, E) in  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3, E)$  such that  $(F_1, E) = Y \cap$ (H, E) and  $(F_2, E) = Y \cap (V, E)$ , since y is soft- $\pi$ -closed in  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3, E)$ . Since  $(F_1, E)$  and  $(F_2, E)$  are soft- $\pi_{\lambda}$ -closed in  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3, E)$ . When we employ the conditions for normality  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3, E)$  is soft- $\pi_{\lambda}$ -normal then it implies that there exists soft- $\pi$ -open set  $(F_3, E), (F_4, E)$ in  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3, E)$  such that  $(F_1, E) \subseteq (F_2, E), (F_3, E) \subseteq (F_4, E)$  and  $(F_3, E) \cap (F_4, E) = \phi$ . However,  $(F_1, E) \subseteq y \cap (F_3, E), (F_2, E) \subseteq y \cap (F_4, E)$ where  $y \cap (F_3, E), y \cap (F_4, E)$  are soft-disjoint soft- $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open subsets in Y. Therefore,  $(Y, N\tau_1, N\tau_2, N\tau_3, E)$  is a soft- $\pi_{\lambda}$ -normal soft-subspace.

In this third objective, the results show that continuity and separation axioms via the notion of ij-continuity can be naturally extended to Ntopological spaces.

## Chapter 5

# CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

#### 5.1 Introduction

We draw conclusion based on our objectives and the results obtained in this chapter. We also give recommendations that can help in tackling further research in this area of study on continuity of functions on bitopological spaces.

### 5.2 Conclusion

We summarize our work by highlighting the results obtained in our study as per the problem stated in Section 1.3 of this work. Our objectives were to characterize notion of ij-continuity in bitopological spaces, establish the separation method for bitopological spaces through ij-continuity and determine extensions of continuity and separation axioms in N-topological space as stated in Section 1.4. In chapter 1, we gave mathematical background, basic definitions and concepts which we found very essential to our study. In chapter 2, we have done literature review on continuity of functions on both topological and bitopological spaces which were related to our topic of study. For instance, studies on Strong Continuity in Topological Spaces by Nourman [53], Mappings and Pairwise Continuity On Pairwise Lindelöf Bitopological Spaces by Adem and Zabidin [2] and Separation Axioms for Bitopological Spaces by Arya and Nour [12] among others. In chapter 3, we have outlined the methodologies used in obtaining our results.

In chapter 4, we have given out the results of our study. For objective one, we have characterized various notions of continuity in bitopological spaces, we showed that suppose that if  $\chi : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  be an open function then a subset W of X is said to be  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open if and only if it is semi-closed and an intersection of  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -open sets in X. Moreover,  $\chi$ is therefore said to be  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous. We also showed that if a function  $\chi : X \to Y$  is  $ij - \pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous and if for each open set  $X_0$  of X we have  $\eta \in X$ , such that  $\chi \mid_{X_0} : X_0 \to Y$  is said to be  $\pi_d$ -continuous. On composition of functions we have shown that if we have the functions  $\chi_1 : X \to Y$ be  $\pi_{\lambda}$ -continuous and  $\chi_2 : Y \to Z$  be  $\pi_d$ -continuous. Therefore,  $\chi_2 \circ \chi_1$  is  $ij - \pi_d$  continuous.

For objective two on establishing separation technique for bitopological spaces we have shown that they exhibit both topological and heredity properties. Next, we have shown that  $T_0$  space implies  $T_1$  which also implies  $T_2$  space and the converse is true. We have indicated in our results that suppose bitopological spaces  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  and  $(Y, \tau'_1, \tau'_2)$  are  $T_0, T_1$ , and  $T_2$ , spaces then the properties of  $T_0$ ,  $T_1$ , and  $T_2$ , are both hereditary and topological. We have therefore established that  $T_0$ -Kolmogorov space,  $T_1$ -Fretchét space,  $T_2$ -Housdorff space,  $T_{\frac{5}{2}}$ -Urysohn space and  $T_4$ -Normal Housdorff space can be used in bitopological spaces through the notion of *ij*-continuity as separation criteria for bitopological spaces via the notion of *ij*-continuity. For the third objective on determining extensions of separation axioms in N-topological spaces we have shown that continuity in bitopological spaces can be naturally extended up to N-topological space as shown in Proposition 4.35, Lemma 4.36 and Theorem 4.37. Finally, we have also shown continuity in N-topological spaces as shown in Proposition 4.32 and Proposition 4.34. Therefore, these results indicate that continuity in N-topological spaces can be naturally extended to N-topological spaces.

#### 5.3 Recommendations

Continuity of bitopological spaces and other N-topological spaces is a very interesting area of study in mathematics and has not been fully exhausted so far. In our case we considered only semi-continuity, weak continuity and strong continuity of bitopological spaces. We therefore recommend that further research can be directed to other aspects of continuity such as local continuity, fuzzy continuity and global continuity in bitopological spaces and N-topological spaces. Secondly, in our study through ij-continuity we have established separation criteria for bitopological spaces. Therefore, our recommendation is that further research can be done to establish separation criteria in a fuzzy bitopological spaces. Lastly, we showed extensions of continuity and separation axioms in discrete N-topological spaces. We therefore recommend that more research should be carried out to show extensions of of continuity and separation axioms in local, fuzzy and global N-topological spaces.

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