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# Neutrosophic Strongly Preopen Sets and Neutrosophic Strong Precontinuity

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**Abstract:** In this study, we introduce a novel class of generalized neutrosophic open sets, referred to as neutrosophic strongly preopen sets. Building on this foundation, we propose a new type of continuity and several new types of mappings. These concepts aim to inspire future research in the scientific community and are rooted in this newly defined class. Additionally, we explore the properties and characteristics of these concepts within neutrosophic spaces. Furthermore, this study investigates the connections between the newly introduced types of mappings and those defined in earlier research, thereby establishing relationships that can serve as a foundation for further scientific exploration.

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## 1. Introduction

When considering the most significant concepts in general topology, it is evident that the classical notion of open sets has consistently been at the forefront. This concept has long been a cornerstone of topology, as it plays a critical role in nearly every subfield. However, over time, the need arose for new types of open sets that differ from the classical ones in general topology. In response, researchers began exploring alternative forms of open clusters. Among the most notable developments in this area is the concept of semi-open sets, introduced by Levine [1] in 1963. Additionally, the concepts of preopen sets and strongly semiopen sets, introduced by Mashour [2] and Njastad [3] in 1965, respectively, have also made significant contributions to the field. These newly defined open set concepts have become foundational elements of numerous studies, extending beyond general topological spaces to other specialized topological frameworks, as highlighted in [4–8]. As expected, the evolution of topology has not ceased; new concepts continue to emerge, with some adapted to address practical applications, as seen in [9].

First, we present the concept of neutrosophic strongly preopen sets, defined within the framework of neutrosophic topological spaces established by Salama and Alblowi in 2012. These areas offer untapped potential for scientific exploration, akin to fertile ground for innovation. We investigate the properties of this new class of open sets and explore their relationships with other established classes. Using this novel concept and its properties serving as the centerpiece of our study, we redefine key topological notions such as connectivity, continuity, and functions within neutrosophic spaces, providing fresh perspectives on these foundational topics in general topology.

## 2. Preliminaries

In this section, we present basic definitions related to neutrosophic set theory.

**Definition 1 ([10]).** A neutrosophic set  $U$  on a universal set  $W$  is defined as follows:

$$U = \{ \langle z, M_U(z), N_U(z), S_U(z) \rangle : z \in W \},$$

where  $M, N, F : X \rightarrow ]^{-}0, 1^{+}[$  and  $-0 \leq M_U(z) + N_U(z) + S_U(z) \leq 3^{+}$ .

In a scientific context, the membership, indeterminacy, and non-membership functions of a neutrosophic set take values from real standard or non-standard subsets of  $]^{-}0, 1^{+}[$ . However, these subsets can be impractical for use in real-world applications such as economic or engineering problems. To address this issue, we consider neutrosophic sets where the membership, indeterminacy, and non-membership functions take their values from subsets of  $[0, 1]$ .

**Definition 2 ([11]).** Let  $W$  be a nonempty set. If  $p, q,$  and  $r$  are real standard or non-standard subsets of  $]^{-}0, 1^{+}[$ , then the neutrosophic set  $z_{p,q,r}$  is referred to as a neutrosophic point in  $W$ , defined as follows:

$$z_{p,q,r}(z_s) = \begin{cases} (p, q, r), & \text{if } z = z_s \\ (0, 0, 1), & \text{if } z \neq z_s \end{cases}$$

For  $z_s \in W$ , it is referred to as the support of  $z_{p,q,r}$ , where  $p$  represents the degree of membership,  $q$  represents the degree of indeterminacy, and  $r$  represents the degree of non-membership of  $z_{p,q,r}$ .

**Definition 3 ([12]).** Let  $U$  be a neutrosophic set on the universal set  $W$ . The complement of  $U$ , denoted as  $U^c$ , is defined as follows:

$$U^c = \left\{ \langle z, S_{\bar{S}(e)}(z), 1 - N_{\bar{S}(e)}(z), M_{\bar{S}(e)}(z) \rangle : z \in W \right\}.$$

It is clear that  $[U^c]^c = U$ .

**Definition 4 ([12]).** Let  $U$  and  $V$  be two neutrosophic sets on the universal set  $W$ .  $U$  is considered a neutrosophic subset of  $V$  if  $M_U(z) \leq M_V(z), N_U(z) \leq N_V(z),$  and  $S_U(z) \geq S_V(z),$  for every  $z \in W$ . This relationship is denoted as  $U \subseteq V$ . Additionally,  $U$  is said to be neutrosophically equal to  $V$  if  $U \subseteq V$  and  $V \subseteq U$ . It is denoted by  $U = V$ .

**Definition 5 ([12]).** Let  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  be two neutrosophic sets on the universal set  $W$ . Their union, denoted as  $S_1 \cup S_2 = S_3,$  is defined as follows:

$$S_3 = \{ \langle z, M_{S_3}(z), N_{S_3}(z), S_{S_3}(z) \rangle : z \in W \},$$

where

$$M_{S_3}(z) = \max\{M_{S_1}(z), M_{S_2}(z)\},$$

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$$S_{S_3}(z) = \min\{S_{S_1}(z), S_{S_2}(z)\}.$$

**Definition 6 ([12]).** Let  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  be two neutrosophic sets on the universal set  $W$ . Their intersection, denoted by  $S_1 \cap S_2 = S_4,$  is defined as follows:

$$S_4 = \{ \langle z, M_{S_4}(z), N_{S_4}(z), S_{S_4}(z) \rangle : z \in W \},$$

where

$$M_{S_4}(z) = \min\{M_{S_1}(z), M_{S_2}(z)\},$$

$$N_{S_4(z)} = \min\{N_{S_1(z)}, N_{S_2(z)}\},$$

$$S_{S_4(z)} = \max\{S_{S_1(z)}, S_{S_2(z)}\}.$$

**Definition 7 ([12]).** A neutrosophic set  $S$  on the universal set  $W$  is called a null neutrosophic set if  $M_S(z) = 0, N_S(z) = 0, S_S(z) = 1$  for every  $z \in W$ . It is represented as  $0_W$ .

**Definition 8 ([12]).** A neutrosophic set  $S$  on the universal set  $W$  is referred to as an absolute neutrosophic set if  $M_S(z) = 1, N_S(z) = 1,$  and  $S_S(z) = 0,$  for every  $z \in W$ . It is represented as  $1_W$ .

Obviously,  $0_W^c = 1_W$  and  $1_W^c = 0_W$ .

**Definition 9 ([12]).** Let  $NS(W)$  represent the collection of all neutrosophic sets over the universal set  $W$ , and let  $\tau$  be a subset of  $NS(W)$ . The subset  $\tau$  is termed a neutrosophic topology on  $W$  if the following criteria are met:

1. Both  $0_W$  and  $1_W$  are included in  $\tau$ .
2. The union of any collection of neutrosophic sets from  $\tau$  is also an element of  $\tau$ .
3. The intersection of a finite number of neutrosophic sets within  $\tau$  is contained in  $\tau$ .

Under these conditions, the pair  $(W, \tau)$  is referred to as a neutrosophic topological space on  $W$ , and the elements of  $\tau$  are called neutrosophic open sets.

**Definition 10 ([12]).** Let  $(W, \tau)$  be a neutrosophic topological space over  $W$  and  $S$  be a neutrosophic set on  $W$ . Then,  $S$  is said to be a neutrosophic closed set if and only if its complement is a neutrosophic open set.

**Definition 11 ([13]).** A neutrosophic point  $z_{p,q,r}$  is considered to be neutrosophic quasi-coincident (or neutrosophic  $q$ -coincident for short) with  $C$ , denoted as  $z_{p,q,r} q C$ , if and only if  $z_{p,q,r}$  is not a subset of  $C^c$ . If  $z_{p,q,r}$  is not neutrosophic quasi-coincident with  $C$ , it is expressed as  $z_{p,q,r} \bar{q} C$ .

**Definition 12 ([13]).** A neutrosophic set  $S$  in a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  is said to be a neutrosophic  $q$ -neighborhood of a neutrosophic point  $z_{p,q,r}$  if and only if there exists a neutrosophic open set  $C$  such that  $z_{p,q,r} q C$  is contained within  $S$ .

**Definition 13 ([13]).** A neutrosophic set  $C$  is said to be neutrosophic quasi-coincident (or neutrosophic  $q$ -coincident for short) with  $S$ , denoted as  $C q S$ , if and only if  $C$  is not a subset of  $S^c$ . If  $C$  is not neutrosophic quasi-coincident with  $S$ , it is denoted by  $C \bar{q} S$ .

**Definition 14 ([14]).** A neutrosophic point  $z_{p,q,r}$  is called a neutrosophic interior point of a neutrosophic set  $S$  if and only if there exists a neutrosophic open  $q$ -neighborhood  $C$  of  $z_{p,q,r}$  such that  $C$  is contained within  $S$ . The collection of all neutrosophic interior points of  $S$  is referred to as the neutrosophic interior of  $S$ , denoted by  $S^\circ$ .

**Definition 15 ([13]).** A neutrosophic point  $z_{p,q,r}$  is called a neutrosophic cluster point of a neutrosophic set  $S$  if and only if every neutrosophic open  $q$ -neighborhood  $C$  of  $z_{p,q,r}$  is  $q$ -coincident with  $S$ . The set of all neutrosophic cluster points of  $S$  is referred to as the neutrosophic closure of  $S$ , denoted by  $\bar{S}$ .

**Definition 16 ([13]).** Let  $h$  be a mapping from  $W$  to  $Z$ , and let  $V$  be a neutrosophic set in  $Z$  with membership mapping  $M_V(y)$ , indeterminacy function  $N_V(y)$ , and non-membership mapping  $S_V(y)$ . The inverse image of  $V$  under  $h$ , denoted by  $h^{-1}(V)$ , is a neutrosophic subset of  $W$ . The membership, indeterminacy, and non-membership mappings of  $h^{-1}(V)$  are defined as follows:  $M_{h^{-1}(V)}(z) = M_V(h(z)), N_{h^{-1}(V)}(z) = N_V(h(z)),$  and  $S_{h^{-1}(V)}(z) = S_V(h(z)),$  for every  $z$  in  $W$ , respectively.

Conversely, consider  $U$  as a neutrosophic set in  $W$ , characterized by the membership function  $M_U(z)$ , indeterminacy mapping  $N_U(z)$ , and non-membership function  $S_U(z)$ . The image of  $U$  under  $h$ , represented as  $h(U)$ , forms a neutrosophic subset of  $Z$ , with its membership, indeterminacy, and non-membership mappings defined as follows:

$$M_{h(U)}(y) = \begin{cases} \sup_{u \in h^{-1}(y)} \{M_U(u)\}, & \text{if } h^{-1}(y) \text{ is not empty,} \\ 0, & \text{if } h^{-1}(y) \text{ is empty,} \end{cases}$$

$$N_{h(U)}(y) = \begin{cases} \sup_{u \in h^{-1}(y)} \{N_U(u)\}, & \text{if } h^{-1}(y) \text{ is not empty,} \\ 0, & \text{if } h^{-1}(y) \text{ is empty,} \end{cases}$$

$$S_{h(U)}(y) = \begin{cases} \sup_{u \in h^{-1}(y)} \{S_U(u)\}, & \text{if } h^{-1}(y) \text{ is not empty,} \\ 0, & \text{if } h^{-1}(y) \text{ is empty,} \end{cases}$$

for all  $y$  in  $Z$ , where  $h^{-1}(y) = \{z : h(z) = y\}$ , respectively.

### 3. Some Definitions

This section presents new definitions that lay the groundwork for the upcoming sections.

**Definition 17.** In a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ , a neutrosophic set  $S$  is described as

- (a) [15] Neutrosophic semiopen if and only if  $S \subseteq \overline{S^\circ}$ ;
- (b) [15] Neutrosophic preopen if and only if  $S \subseteq (\overline{S})^\circ$ ;
- (c) Neutrosophic strongly semiopen if and only if  $S \subseteq ((\overline{S^\circ})^\circ)$ .

**Definition 18.** In a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ , a neutrosophic set  $S$  is described as

- (a) Neutrosophic semiclosed if and only if  $S^c$  is neutrosophic semiopen in  $(W, \tau)$ ;
- (b) Neutrosophic preclosed if and only if  $S^c$  is neutrosophic preopen in  $(W, \tau)$ ;
- (c) Neutrosophic strongly semiclosed if and only if  $S^c$  is neutrosophic strongly semiopen in  $(W, \tau)$ .

It is clear that every neutrosophic strongly semiopen set is a neutrosophic semiopen set, and every neutrosophic semiopen set implies a neutrosophic preopen set.

**Definition 19.** If  $S$  is a neutrosophic set in a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ , then  $\overline{S}_p = \bigcap \{S : S \subseteq U, U \text{ is neutrosophic preclosed}\}$  (resp.  $S_p^\circ = \bigcup \{S : S \subseteq U, U \text{ is neutrosophic preopen}\}$ ) is referred to as the neutrosophic preclosure of  $S$  (respectively, the neutrosophic preinterior of  $S$ ).

**Definition 20.** If  $S$  is a neutrosophic set in neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ , then  $\overline{S}_{ss} = \bigcap \{S : S \subseteq U, U \text{ is neutrosophic strongly semiclosed}\}$  (resp.,  $S_{ss}^\circ = \bigcup \{S : S \subseteq U, U \text{ is neutrosophic strongly semiopen}\}$ ) is called a neutrosophic strong semiclosure of  $S$  (resp., the neutrosophic strong semi-interior of  $S$ ).

**Theorem 1.** Let  $S$  be a neutrosophic set in a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ , then

- (a)  $S \cup \overline{S^\circ} \subseteq \overline{S}_p$ ;
- (b)  $S_p^\circ \subseteq S \cap (\overline{S})^\circ$ .

**Proof.** (a) Since  $\overline{F}_p$  is a neutrosophic preclosed set, we have  $\overline{F^\circ} \subseteq \overline{(\overline{F}_p)^\circ \overline{F}_p}$ . Thus,  $F \cup \overline{F^\circ} \subseteq \overline{F}_p$ ;

(b) Since  $F_p^\circ$  is a neutrosophic preopen set, we have  $F_p^\circ \subseteq (\overline{F_p^\circ})^\circ \subseteq (\overline{F})^\circ$ . Thus,  $F_p^\circ \subseteq F \cap (\overline{F})^\circ$ .

In ordinary topology, we have the relation  $F \cup \overline{F^\circ} = \overline{F}_p$ , so  $F_p^\circ = F \cap (\overline{F})^\circ$ . The following example demonstrates that equality may not hold in neutrosophic topology.  $\square$

As demonstrated in Example 1, the converse statements of the statements in Theorem 1 do not always hold true.

**Example 1.** Let  $W = \{e, f, g\}$  and  $E, S, T$  be neutrosophic sets of  $W$  defined as below:  $E = \{ \langle e, 0.3, 0.3, 0.7 \rangle, \langle f, 0.2, 0.2, 0.8 \rangle, \langle g, 0.7, 0.7, 0.3 \rangle \}$ ,

$S = \{\langle e, 0.8, 0.8, 0.2 \rangle, \langle f, 0.8, 0.8, 0.2 \rangle, \langle g, 0.4, 0.4, 0.6 \rangle\}$ ,  
 $T = \{\langle e, 0.8, 0.8, 0.2 \rangle, \langle f, 0.7, 0.7, 0.3 \rangle, \langle g, 0.6, 0.6, 0.4 \rangle\}$ . Let  $\tau = \{0, 1, E, S, E \cap S, E \cup S\}$ . By easy verification, it can be seen that  $T \cup (T^\circ) \neq \bar{T}_p$  and  $(T^c)_p^\circ \neq T^c \cap ((T^c)^\circ)$ .

The theorem presented above provides the basis for introducing the class that will be explored further.

**Lemma 1.** Let  $S$  be a neutrosophic set in a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ . Then.

- (a)  $(S^c)_p = (S_p^\circ)^c$ ;
- (b)  $(S^c)_p^\circ = (\bar{S}_p)^c$ .

**Proof.** (a) Consider any neutrosophic set  $S \in (W, \tau)$ . In that case,  $S_p^\circ \subseteq S$ . So,  $S^c \subseteq (S_p^\circ)^c$ . Since  $(S_p^\circ)^c$  is neutrosophic preclosed,  $(S^c)_p \subseteq (S_p^\circ)^c$ .

On the other hand,  $S^c \subseteq (\bar{S}_p)^c$  and  $(\bar{S}_p)^c$  is neutrosophic preclosed. From here,  $((\bar{S}_p)^c)^c \subseteq S$ . Since  $((\bar{S}_p)^c)^c$  is neutrosophic preopen,  $((\bar{S}_p)^c)^c \subseteq S_p^\circ$ . So,  $(S_p^\circ)^c \subseteq (\bar{S}_p)^c$ . Therefore,  $(S_p^\circ)^c = (\bar{S}_p)^c$ .

(b) Consider any neutrosophic set  $S \in (W, \tau)$ . Then,  $S \subseteq \bar{S}_p$ . So,  $(\bar{S}_p)^c \subseteq S^c$ . Since  $(\bar{S}_p)^c$  is neutrosophic preopen,  $(\bar{S}_p)^c \subseteq (S^c)_p^\circ$ .

On the other hand,  $(S^c)_p^\circ \subseteq S^c$  and  $(S^c)_p^\circ$  is neutrosophic preopen. In that case,  $S \subseteq ((S^c)_p^\circ)^c$ . Since  $((S^c)_p^\circ)^c$  is neutrosophic preclosed,  $\bar{S}_p \subseteq ((S^c)_p^\circ)^c$ . So,  $(S^c)_p^\circ \subseteq (\bar{S}_p)^c$ . We get result that  $(S^c)_p^\circ = (\bar{S}_p)^c$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 2.** Let  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  be a mapping from a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  to a neutrosophic topological space  $(Z, \sigma)$ . For neutrosophic sets  $T$  and  $D$  in  $(W, \tau)$  and  $(Z, \sigma)$ , respectively, the following statements are true:

- (a)  $h(h^{-1}(D)) \subseteq D$ ;
- (b)  $T \subseteq h^{-1}(h(T))$ ;
- (c)  $(h(T))^c \subseteq h(T^c)$ ;
- (d)  $h^{-1}(D^c) = (h^{-1}(D))^c$ ;
- (e) If  $h$  is one-to-one, it follows that  $T = h^{-1}(h(T))$ ;
- (f) If  $h$  is onto, it follows that  $h(h^{-1}(D)) = D$ ;
- (g) If  $h$  is both one-to-one and onto, it follows that  $(h(T))^c = h(T^c)$ .

**Proof.** The proof is left out because it closely resembles its equivalent in general topology.  $\square$

**Definition 21.** Let  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  be a mapping that maps a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  to a neutrosophic topological space  $(Z, \sigma)$ . In this case,

- (a) A mapping  $h$  is termed neutrosophic continuous if, for every  $D \in \sigma$ , the inverse image  $h^{-1}(D)$  is a neutrosophic open set in  $W$ .
- (b) A mapping  $h$  is termed neutrosophic semicontinuous if, for every  $D \in \sigma$ , the inverse image  $h^{-1}(D)$  is a neutrosophic semiopen set in  $W$ .
- (c) A mapping  $h$  is termed neutrosophic precontinuous, if, for every  $D \in \sigma$ , the inverse image  $h^{-1}(D)$  is a neutrosophic preopen set in  $W$ .
- (d) A mapping  $h$  is termed neutrosophic strongly semicontinuous if, for every  $D \in \sigma$ , the inverse image  $h^{-1}(D)$  is a neutrosophic strongly semiopen set in  $W$ .
- (e) A mapping  $h$  is termed neutrosophic open(closed) if, for every  $T \in \tau(T^c \in \tau)$ , the image  $h(T)$  is a neutrosophic open (neutrosophic closed) set in  $Z$ .
- (f) A mapping  $h$  is termed neutrosophic semiopen (semiclosed) if, for every  $T \in \tau(T^c \in \tau)$ , the image  $h(T)$  is a neutrosophic semiopen (neutrosophic semiclosed) set in  $Z$ .
- (g) A mapping  $h$  is termed neutrosophic preopen (preclosed) if, for every  $T \in \tau(T^c \in \tau)$ , the image  $h(T)$  is a neutrosophic preopen (neutrosophic preclosed) set in  $Z$ .
- (h) A mapping  $h$  is termed neutrosophic strongly semiopen (semiclosed) if, for every

$T \in \tau(T^c \in \tau)$ , the image  $h(T)$  is a neutrosophic strongly semiopen (neutrosophic strongly semiclosed) set in  $Z$ .

**Definition 22.** Let  $(W, \tau)$  and  $(Z, \sigma)$  be two neutrosophic topological spaces, and let  $T$  and  $D$  be arbitrary neutrosophic sets in  $(W, \tau)$  and  $(Z, \sigma)$ , respectively, such that if  $T\tilde{q}M$  and  $D\tilde{q}N$ , then  $M \times N \subseteq (M^c \times (1_X)) \cup ((1_X) \times N^c)$ , where  $M \in \tau$  and  $N \in \sigma$ . If there exists  $M_1 \in \tau$  and  $N_1 \in \sigma$  such that  $T\tilde{q}M_1$ ,  $D\tilde{q}N_1$ , and  $((M_1)^c \times (1_W)) \cup ((1_W) \times (N_1)^c) = (M^c \times (1_W)) \cup ((1_W) \times N^c)$ , then, in that case,  $(W, \tau)$  is said to be product-related to  $(Z, \sigma)$ .

**Lemma 3.** Let  $(W, \tau)$  and  $(Z, \sigma)$  be neutrosophic topological spaces, where  $(W, \tau)$  is product-related to  $(Z, \sigma)$ . In that case, for neutrosophic sets  $T$  in  $W$  and  $D$  in  $Z$ ,

- (a)  $\overline{TxD} = \overline{T}x\overline{D}$ ;
- (b)  $(TxD)^\circ = T^\circ xD^\circ$ .

**Proof.** (a) Consider  $I$  and  $J$  as any two index sets and  $T_i \in \tau, D_j \in \sigma$  for any  $i \in I$  and  $j \in J$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{T \times D} &= \bigcap \{ (T_i \times D_j)^c \mid T \times D \subseteq (T_i \times D_j)^c, T_i \in \tau, D_j \in \sigma \} \\ &= \{ ((T_i)^c \times 1_W) \cup (1_Z \times (D_j)^c) \mid T \times D \subseteq ((T_i)^c \times 1_W) \cup (1_Z \times (D_j)^c), T_i \in \tau, D_j \in \sigma \} \\ &= \{ ((T_i)^c \times 1_W) \cup (1_Z \times (D_j)^c) \mid T \subseteq (T_i)^c \text{ or } D \subseteq (D_j)^c, T_i \in \tau \text{ or } D_j \in \sigma \} \\ &\supseteq \overline{T} \times \overline{D} \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, since  $\overline{T}$  and  $\overline{D}$  are neutrosophic closed sets in  $(W, \tau)$  and  $(Z, \sigma)$ , respectively,  $\overline{T} \times \overline{D}$  is neutrosophic closed in product space and  $T \times D \subseteq \overline{T} \times \overline{D}$ . This implies  $\overline{T \times D} \subseteq \overline{T} \times \overline{D}$ . Therefore,  $\overline{T \times D} = \overline{T} \times \overline{D}$ .

(b) Since  $(T^\circ)^c = \overline{T^c}$  and  $(\overline{T})^c = (T^c)^\circ$ , (a) implies that  $(T \times D)^\circ = T^\circ \times D^\circ$ .  $\square$

**Remark 1.** The relation  $(T \times D)^\circ = T^\circ \times D^\circ$  is valid for all neutrosophic topological spaces  $(W, \tau)$  and  $(Z, \sigma)$ , and is not limited to cases where the spaces are associated with the products.

**Lemma 4.** Let  $g : W \rightarrow W \times Z$  represent the graph of the mapping  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$ . If  $T$  is a neutrosophic set in  $(W, \tau)$  and  $D$  is a neutrosophic set in  $(Z, \sigma)$ , then the inverse image  $g^{-1}(T \times D)$  is equal to the intersection of  $T$  and  $h^{-1}$ , that is,  $g^{-1}(T \times D) = T \cap h^{-1}(D)$ .

**Proof.** Given any  $w \in W$ ,  $T_{g^{-1}(T \times D)}(w) = T_{T \times D}g(w) = T_{T \times D}(w, h(w)) = \min(T_T(w), T_D(h(w))) = T_{T \cap h^{-1}(D)}(w)$ ,  $I_{g^{-1}(T \times D)}(w) = I_{T \times D}g(w) = I_{T \times D}(w, h(w)) = \min(I_T(w), I_D(h(w))) = I_{T \cap h^{-1}(D)}(w)$ ,  $F_{g^{-1}(T \times D)}(w) = F_{T \times D}g(w) = F_{T \times D}(w, h(w)) = \max(F_T(w), F_D(h(w))) = F_{T \cap h^{-1}(D)}(w)$ . This implies that  $g^{-1}(T \times D) = T \cap h^{-1}(D)$ .  $\square$

#### 4. Neutrosophic Strongly Preopen Sets and Neutrosophic Strongly Preclosed Sets

In this section, we begin by presenting the definitions of strongly preopen and strongly preclosed sets, which are central to our investigation. We also examine the properties of these specific types of open and closed sets. Next, we demonstrate how these sets relate to other types of open sets through various examples. Additionally, by introducing this new category of open sets, we define a new concept of connectedness and provide details regarding its properties.

**Definition 23.** In a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ , a neutrosophic set  $S$  is defined as neutrosophic strongly preopen if and only if  $S \subseteq (\overline{S}_p)^\circ$ .

The collection of all neutrosophic strongly preopen sets in the neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  is represented by  $NSPO(W, \tau)$ .

**Lemma 5.** Consider  $S$  as a neutrosophic set within the neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ . The following characteristics are satisfied:

- (a)  $(\overline{S}_p)^\circ \subseteq (\overline{S})^\circ$ ;
- (b)  $((\overline{S}^\circ))^\circ \subseteq (\overline{S}_p)^\circ$ .

**Proof.** (a) For any neutrosophic set  $S$  in  $W$ , the inclusion  $\overline{S}_p \subseteq \overline{S}$  naturally holds.  
 (b) As a consequence of Theorem 1, we can deduce this claim.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.** Consider a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ . The following assertions are valid:

- (a) Any neutrosophic open set qualifies as a neutrosophic strongly preopen set;
- (b) Each neutrosophic strongly semiopen set is also a neutrosophic strongly preopen set;
- (c) Every neutrosophic strongly preopen set is inherently a neutrosophic preopen set.

**Proof.** This is a direct consequence of Lemma 5.  $\square$

As demonstrated in Example 2, the reverse implications of the assertions in Theorem 2 do not necessarily hold true in all cases.

**Example 2.** Take the neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  and the neutrosophic set  $T$  as described in Example 1. In this case,  $T$  qualifies as a neutrosophic strongly preopen set, but it fails to be a neutrosophic strongly semiopen set. If we set  $\tau = \{0_W, 1_W, S\}$ , then  $E$  becomes a neutrosophic preopen set that is not neutrosophic strongly preopen.

**Remark 2.** It is demonstrated by the example that a neutrosophic preopen set is not necessarily considered a neutrosophic strongly preopen set. Similarly, it is not always the case that a neutrosophic strongly preopen set is a neutrosophic strongly semiopen set. Furthermore, neutrosophic strongly preopen sets and neutrosophic semiopen sets are regarded as distinct and independent concepts.

**Definition 24.** In a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ , a set  $S$  is termed neutrosophic strongly preclosed iff its complement  $S^c$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen set in  $(W, \tau)$ . The collection of all such sets in  $(W, \tau)$  is represented as  $NSPC(W, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 3.** If  $S$  is a neutrosophic set within the neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ , then  $S$  qualifies as a neutrosophic strongly preclosed set if and only if the condition  $\overline{(S_p^\circ)} \subseteq S$  is satisfied.

**Proof.** If  $S$  is a neutrosophic strongly preclosed set, then its complement  $S^c$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen set. From the relation  $S^c \subseteq \overline{((S^c)_p)^\circ}$ , we can conclude that  $\overline{(S_p^\circ)} \subseteq S$ .

Conversely, if  $S$  is a neutrosophic set such that  $\overline{(S_p^\circ)} \subseteq S$ , then using the relation  $S^c \subseteq \overline{((S^c)_p)^\circ}$ , it follows that  $S^c$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen set. Therefore,  $S$  is a neutrosophic strongly preclosed set.  $\square$

**Lemma 6.** Let  $\{S_i\}_{i \in I}$  be a collection of neutrosophic sets in a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ . In that case, it holds that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} \overline{(S_i)_p} \subseteq \overline{(\bigcup_{i \in I} S_i)_p}$ .

**Proof.** Since  $\overline{(S_i)_p} \subseteq \overline{(\bigcup_{i \in I} S_i)_p}$ , for each  $i \in I$ , the conclusion follows.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.** (a) The combination of any collection of neutrosophic strongly preopen sets will always be a neutrosophic strongly preopen set.

(b) The intersection of a finite set of neutrosophic strongly preclosed sets will always form a neutrosophic strongly preclosed set.

**Proof.** (a) Let  $\{F_i\}_{i \in I}$  represent a collection of neutrosophic strongly preopen sets. For every  $i \in I$ , we have  $F_i \subseteq \overline{((F_i)_p)^\circ}$ . As a result, from Lemma 6, it follows that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} F_i \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} \overline{((F_i)_p)^\circ} \subseteq \overline{(\bigcup_{i \in I} F_i)_p}^\circ$ .

(b) Now, let  $\{F_i\}_{i \in I}$  denote a collection of neutrosophic strongly preclosed sets. This implies that  $\{F_i^c\}_{i \in I}$  forms a set of neutrosophic strongly preopen sets. According to part (a), we can conclude that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} F_i^c$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen set. By using the relation  $(\bigcup_{i \in I} F_i^c)^c = \bigcap_{i \in I} F_i$ , we arrive at the final result.  $\square$

**Remark 3.** The combination or overlap of two neutrosophic strongly preopen (or preclosed) sets is not necessarily followed by the formation of another neutrosophic strongly preopen (or preclosed) set. Additionally, when a neutrosophic strongly preopen (or preclosed) set is paired with a neutrosophic open (or closed) set, the resulting set might not be a neutrosophic strongly preopen (or preclosed) set. This is demonstrated through the neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ , as illustrated in Example 1. Here, the neutrosophic set  $D = \{\langle e, 0.4, 0.4, 0.6 \rangle, \langle f, 0.2, 0.2, 0.8 \rangle, \langle g, 0.8, 0.8, 0.2 \rangle\}$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen set, but the intersection  $S \cap D$  does not form a neutrosophic strongly preopen set in  $(W, \tau)$ . Similarly, the union of the complements  $S^c \cup D^c$  is not a neutrosophic strongly preclosed set in  $(W, \tau)$ .

**Definition 25.** Let  $S$  be a neutrosophic set within the neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ .

- (a) The neutrosophic strong preinterior of  $S$ , symbolized as  $S_{sp}^\circ$ , is the union of all neutrosophic strongly preopen sets that are contained within  $S$ .
- (b) The neutrosophic strong preclosure of  $S$ , represented as  $\bar{S}_{sp}$ , is the intersection of all neutrosophic strongly preclosed sets that contain  $S$ .

**Theorem 5.** Consider  $S$  and  $T$  as neutrosophic sets within the neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ . In this case, the following statements are valid:

- (a)  $S^\circ \subseteq S_{sp}^\circ \subseteq S$  and  $F \subseteq \bar{F}_{sp} \subseteq \bar{F}$ ;
- (b)  $S_{sp}^\circ \in NSPO(W, \tau)$  and  $\bar{F}_{sp} \in NSPC(X, \tau)$ ;
- (c)  $S \in NSPO(X, \tau)$  if and only if,  $S = S_{sp}^\circ$  and  $S \in NSPC(W, \tau)$  if and only if  $S = \bar{S}_{sp}$ ;
- (d)  $S \subseteq T$  implies that  $S_{sp}^\circ \subseteq T_{sp}^\circ$  and  $S \subseteq T$  implies that  $\bar{S}_{sp} \subseteq \bar{T}_{sp}$ ;
- (e)  $(S_{sp}^\circ)_{sp}^\circ = S_{sp}^\circ$  and  $(\bar{S}_{sp})_{sp} = \bar{S}_{sp}$ ;
- (f)  $(S \cap T)_{sp}^\circ \subseteq S_{sp}^\circ \cap T_{sp}^\circ$  and  $\bar{S}_{sp} \cup \bar{T}_{sp} \subseteq \overline{(S \cup T)}_{sp}$ ;
- (g)  $S_{sp}^\circ \cup T_{sp}^\circ \subseteq (S \cup T)_{sp}^\circ$  and  $(S \cap T)_{sp} = \bar{S}_{sp} \cap \bar{T}_{sp}$ ;
- (h)  $W_{sp}^\circ = W$ .

**Proof.** Based on Definition 25 and Theorem 4, Theorem 5 can be proven.  $\square$

**Theorem 6.** (a) A neutrosophic set  $D$  in a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  is neutrosophic strongly preopen if and only if there exists a neutrosophic set  $T$  in a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  such that  $T \subseteq D \subseteq (\bar{T}_p)^\circ$ .  
 (b) A neutrosophic set  $D$  in a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  is a neutrosophic strongly preclosed set if and only if there exists a neutrosophic set  $T$  in a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  such that  $(\bar{T}_p)^\circ \subseteq D \subseteq T$ .

**Proof.** (a) Consider  $D$  as a neutrosophic set within the neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ . If a neutrosophic set  $T$  exists in  $(W, \tau)$  such that  $T \subseteq D \subseteq (\bar{T}_p)^\circ$ , then it follows that  $D \subseteq (\bar{T}_p)^\circ \subseteq (\bar{D}_p)^\circ$ . This implies that  $D$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen set.

On the other hand, if  $D$  is a fuzzy strongly preopen set, the result holds when  $T = D$ .

(b) Omitted.

$\square$

The connection between the mappings of neutrosophic strong preinterior and neutrosophic strong preclosure is clarified by the following statement.

**Theorem 7.** Consider  $T$  as a neutrosophic set within the neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ . Then,

- (a)  $\overline{(T^c)}_{sp} = (T_{sp}^\circ)^c;$
- (b)  $(T^c)_{sp}^\circ = (\overline{T}_{sp})^c.$

**Proof.** (a)  $(T_{sp}^\circ)^c = (\bigcup\{D : D \subseteq T, D \in NSPO(W, \tau)\})^c = \bigcap\{D^c : D \subseteq T, D \in NSPO(W, \tau)\} = \bigcap\{C : D^c \subseteq C, C \in NSPC(W, \tau)\} = \overline{(T^c)}_{sp}.$   
 (b)  $(\overline{T}_{sp})^c = (\overline{((\overline{(T^c)}_{sp})^c)})^c = (((T^c)_{sp}^\circ)^c)^c = (T^c)_{sp}^\circ.$   
 $\square$

**Theorem 8.** Consider  $T$  as a neutrosophic set within the neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ . Then,

$$T^\circ \subseteq T_{ss}^\circ \subseteq T_{sp}^\circ \subseteq T_p^\circ \subseteq T \subseteq \overline{T}_p \subseteq \overline{T}_{sp} \subseteq \overline{T}_{ss} \subseteq \overline{T}.$$

**Proof.** This theorem can be deduced from the definitions of the related operators.  $\square$

**Theorem 9.** Consider  $T$  as a neutrosophic set within the neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ .

- (a) If  $T$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen set, it holds that  $\overline{T}_p = \overline{T}.$
- (b) If  $T$  is a neutrosophic strongly preclosed set, it holds that  $T_p^\circ = T^\circ.$

**Proof.** (a) Assume  $T$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen set. From  $T \subseteq (\overline{T}_p)^\circ,$  we obtain  $\overline{T} \subseteq \overline{(\overline{T}_p)^\circ} \subseteq \overline{T}_p.$  Combining this relation with the obvious inclusion  $\overline{T}_p \subseteq \overline{T},$  we reach the desired conclusion.  
 (b) Omitted.  
 $\square$

The next theorem explores the actions of neutrosophic strong preinterior and neutrosophic strong preclosure, establishing connections with other actions.

**Theorem 10.** Consider  $T$  as a neutrosophic set within the neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ .

- (a)  $T_{sp}^\circ \subseteq T \cap (\overline{G}_p)^\circ;$
- (b)  $T \cup (\overline{T}_p)^\circ \subseteq \overline{T}_{sp}.$

**Proof.** (a) Since  $T_{sp}^\circ \in NSPO(W, \tau),$  we have  $T_{sp}^\circ \subseteq (\overline{(T_{sp}^\circ)})^\circ \subseteq (\overline{T}_p)^\circ.$  This relation together with the evident relation  $T_{sp}^\circ \subseteq T$  leads to the result.  
 (b) Omitted.  
 $\square$

Building upon the idea of a neutrosophic extremely disconnected space, the notion of a neutrosophic SPO-extremely disconnected space is developed.

**Definition 26.** Consider the neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ . This space is termed neutrosophic SPO-extremely disconnected if and only if for every neutrosophic strongly preopen set  $T$  in  $(W, \tau),$  the set  $\overline{T}_{sp}$  is also a neutrosophic strongly preopen set.

The next statement provides an intriguing characterization of these types of spaces.

**Theorem 11.** Consider the neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ . In that case, the conditions listed below are congruent:

- (a)  $(W, \tau)$  is neutrosophic SPO-extremely disconnected;
- (b) Given any neutrosophic strongly preclosed set  $T$  in  $(W, \tau), T_{sp}^\circ$  is a neutrosophic strongly preclosed set;
- (c)  $(\overline{(\overline{T}_{sp})^c})_{sp} = (\overline{T}_{sp})^c,$  for each neutrosophic strongly preopen set  $T$  in  $(W, \tau);$

(d) For every combination of neutrosophic strongly preopen sets  $T$  and  $D$  in  $(W, \tau)$ , if  $D = (\overline{T}_{sp})^c$ , then  $\overline{D}_{sp} = (\overline{T}_{sp})^c$ .

**Proof.** (a)  $\implies$  (b). Consider  $T$  as a neutrosophic strongly preclosed set in  $(W, \tau)$ . It follows that  $T^c$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen set. From this assumption,  $\overline{(T^c)}_{sp}$  is also a neutrosophic strongly preopen set, and consequently,  $T_{sp}^\circ$  is a neutrosophic strongly preclosed set within  $(W, \tau)$ .  
 (b)  $\implies$  (c). Assume that  $T$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen set. Then,  $\overline{(\overline{T}_{sp})^c}_{sp} = \overline{((T^c)_{sp}^\circ)}_{sp}$ . Based on this assumption,  $(T^c)_{sp}^\circ$  is a neutrosophic strongly preclosed set, leading to  $\overline{((T^c)_{sp}^\circ)}_{sp} = (T^c)_{sp}^\circ = (\overline{T}_{sp})^c$ .  
 (c)  $\implies$  (d). Let  $T$  and  $H$  be neutrosophic strongly preopen sets in  $(W, \tau)$  such that  $H = (\overline{T}_{sp})^c$ . From the assumption, we have  $\overline{D}_{sp} = \overline{((\overline{T}_{sp})^c)}_{sp} = (\overline{T}_{sp})^c$ .  
 (d)  $\implies$  (a). Let  $T$  be a neutrosophic strongly preopen set in  $(W, \tau)$ . We have  $D = (\overline{T}_{sp})^c$ . From the assumption, we obtain that  $\overline{D}_{sp} = (\overline{T}_{sp})^c$ , so  $(\overline{D}_{sp})^c = \overline{T}_{sp}$ . Hence,  $(D^c)_{sp}^\circ = \overline{T}_{sp}$ . Thus,  $\overline{T}_{sp}$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen set in  $(W, \tau)$ .  
 □

**Theorem 12.** Consider the neutrosophic topological spaces  $(W, \tau)$  and  $(Z, \sigma)$ , where  $(W, \tau)$  is product-related to  $(Z, \sigma)$ . In this case, the product  $T \times D$  of a neutrosophic strongly preopen set  $T$  in  $(W, \tau)$  and a neutrosophic strongly preopen set  $D$  in  $(Z, \sigma)$  is a neutrosophic preopen set in the neutrosophic Cartesian time-space  $W \times Z$ .

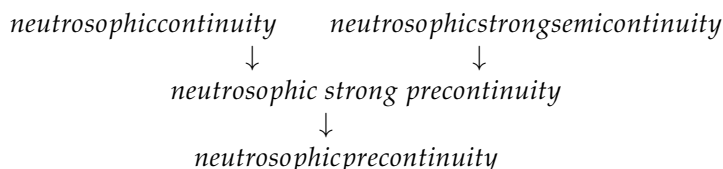
**Proof.** Since  $T$  and  $D$  are neutrosophic strongly preopen sets,  $T \subseteq (\overline{T}_p)^\circ$  and  $D \subseteq (\overline{D}_p)^\circ$ . From Lemma 3 and Theorem 9, we obtain  $TxD \subseteq (\overline{T}_p)^\circ \times (\overline{D}_p)^\circ = (\overline{TxD})^\circ = (\overline{TxD})^\circ$ , which shows that  $TxD$  is a neutrosophic preopen set. □

**5. Neutrosophic Strong Precontinuity**

We present a new type of continuity in this section with the help of the strongly preopen set concept, which we introduced and examined in the previous section. After showing the relationships between this new type of continuity and other types of continuity with the help of a diagram, we prove with reverse examples that the converse of implications is not always true. Then, we examine the characteristics of this new type of continuity.

**Definition 27.** A function  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  from a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  into a neutrosophic topological space  $(Z, \sigma)$  is called neutrosophic strong precontinuous if  $h^{-1}(D) \in NSPO(W, \tau)$  for each  $D \in \sigma$ .

The relationships represented in the diagram below are valid.



The following example shows that reverse may not be true.

**Example 3.** Let  $W = \{e, f, g\}$  and suppose  $E, F$ , and  $G$  are neutrosophic sets of  $W$  defined as below: :  
 $E = \{\langle e, 0.3, 0.3, 0.7 \rangle, \langle f, 0.2, 0.2, 0.8 \rangle, \langle g, 0.7, 0.7, 0.3 \rangle\}$ ,  
 $F = \{\langle e, 0.8, 0.8, 0.2 \rangle, \langle f, 0.8, 0.8, 0.2 \rangle, \langle g, 0.4, 0.4, 0.6 \rangle\}$ ,  
 $G = \{\langle e, 0.8, 0.8, 0.2 \rangle, \langle f, 0.7, 0.7, 0.3 \rangle, \langle g, 0.6, 0.6, 0.4 \rangle\}$ .  
 $\tau = \{0_W, 1_W, F\}$ ,  $\sigma = \{0_W, 1_W, E\}$  and  $\omega = \{0_W, 1_W, G\}$ . In this case, the identity mapping

$id : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (W, \omega)$  is neutrosophic strongly precontinuous, but  $h$  is not neutrosophic continuous and also not neutrosophic strongly semicontinuous.

**Theorem 13.** Let  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  be a mapping from a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  into a neutrosophic topological space  $(Z, \sigma)$ . Then, the following statements are equivalent:

- (a)  $h$  is a neutrosophic strong precontinuous mapping;
- (b) Given any neutrosophic closed set  $D$  in  $(Z, \sigma)$ ,  $h^{-1}(D)$  is a neutrosophic strongly preclosed set in  $(W, \tau)$ ;
- (c) Given any neutrosophic set  $T$  in  $(W, \tau)$ ,  $h(\overline{T}_{sp}) \subseteq \overline{h(T)}$ ;
- (d) Given any neutrosophic set  $D$  in  $(Z, \sigma)$ ,  $(h^{-1}(\overline{D}))_{sp} \subseteq h^{-1}(\overline{D})$ ;
- (e) Given any neutrosophic set  $D$  in  $(Z, \sigma)$ ,  $h^{-1}(D^\circ) \subseteq (h^{-1}(D))_{sp}^\circ$ ;
- (f) Given any  $D \in \alpha$ , there exists a base  $\alpha$  such that  $h^{-1}(D)$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen set in the neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ ;
- (g) Given any  $D^c \in \alpha$ , there exists a base  $\alpha$  such that  $h^{-1}(D)$  is a neutrosophic strongly preclosed set in the neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ .

**Proof.** This proof is excluded due to its resemblance to its counterpart in general topology.  $\square$

**Theorem 14.** Let  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  be a mapping from a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  into a neutrosophic topological space  $(Z, \sigma)$ . Then, the following statements are equivalent:

- (a)  $h$  is a neutrosophic strong precontinuous mapping;
- (b) Given any neutrosophic closed set  $D \in (Z, \sigma)$ ,  $\overline{(f^{-1}(H))_p^\circ} \subseteq f^{-1}(\overline{H})$ ;
- (c) Given any neutrosophic set  $G \in (W, \tau)$ ,  $f(\overline{(G_p^\circ)}) \subseteq \overline{f(G)}$ .

**Proof.** This proof is omitted due to its similarity to its counterpart in general topology.  $\square$

**Theorem 15.** Let  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  be a bijective mapping from a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  to a neutrosophic topological space  $(Z, \sigma)$ . The mapping  $h$  is neutrosophic strong precontinuous if and only if  $(h(T))^\circ \subseteq h(T_{sp}^\circ)$ , for each neutrosophic set  $T$  in  $(W, \tau)$ .

**Proof.** Let it be assumed that  $h$  is considered neutrosophic strong precontinuous. For any neutrosophic set  $T$  in  $(W, \tau)$ , the set  $h^{-1}((h(T))^\circ)$  is identified as a neutrosophic strongly preopen set. By applying Theorem 13 and utilizing the fact that  $h$  is injective, it is established that  $h^{-1}((h(T))^\circ) \subseteq (h^{-1}((h(T))^\circ))_{sp}^\circ \subseteq (h^{-1}(h(T)))_{sp}^\circ = T_{sp}^\circ$ . Furthermore, since  $h$  is surjective, the following is concluded:  $(h(T))^\circ = h(h^{-1}((h(T))^\circ)) \subseteq h(T_{sp}^\circ)$ . On the other hand, let  $D$  be defined as a neutrosophic open set in  $(Z, \sigma)$ . By definition,  $D^\circ = D$ . Based on the stated assumption,  $D = D^\circ = (h(h^{-1}(D)))^\circ \subseteq h((h^{-1}(D))_{sp}^\circ)$ . This implies that  $h^{-1}(D) \subseteq h^{-1}(h((h^{-1}(D))_{sp}^\circ))$ . Since  $h$  is injective, we obtain  $h^{-1}(D) \subseteq h^{-1}(h((h^{-1}(D))_{sp}^\circ)) = (h^{-1}(D))_{sp}^\circ$ . Hence,  $(h^{-1}(D))_{sp}^\circ = h^{-1}(D)$ , so  $h^{-1}(D)$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen set. Thus,  $h$  is neutrosophic strong precontinuous.  $\square$

**Theorem 16.** Let  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  and  $r : (Z, \sigma) \rightarrow (R, \omega)$  be mappings, where  $(W, \tau)$ ,  $(Z, \sigma)$  and  $(R, \omega)$  are neutrosophic topological spaces. If  $h$  is neutrosophic strong precontinuous and  $r$  is neutrosophic continuous, in this case,  $roh$  is neutrosophic strong precontinuous.

**Proof.** The proof can be derived from the relation  $(roh)^{-1}(D) = h^{-1}(r^{-1}(D))$ , when considering each neutrosophic set  $D$  in  $(R, \omega)$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 1.** Let  $(W, \tau)$ ,  $(Z, \sigma)$   $(R, \omega)$  be neutrosophic topological spaces and  $p_Z : Z \times R \rightarrow Z$ ,  $p_R : Z \times R \rightarrow R$  be projections of  $Z \times R$  onto  $Z$  and  $R$ . If  $h : W \rightarrow Z \times R$  is neutrosophic strong precontinuous, then  $(p_Z \circ h)$  and  $(p_R \circ h)$  are also neutrosophic strong precontinuous mappings.

**Proof.** The proof follows from the fact that  $p_Z$  and  $p_R$  are neutrosophic continuous functions.  $\square$

**Theorem 17.** Consider  $W_1, W_2, Z_1$ , and  $Z_2$  as neutrosophic topological spaces, with  $W_1$  being product-related to  $W_2$ . The product mapping  $h_1 \times h_2 : W_1 \times W_2 \rightarrow Z_1 \times Z_2$ , formed from the neutrosophic strong precontinuous mappings  $h_1 : W_1 \rightarrow Z_1$  and  $h_2 : W_2 \rightarrow Z_2$ , is identified as a neutrosophic precontinuous mapping.

**Proof.** Let  $D = \cup(W_i \times T_j)$ , where  $W_i$  and  $T_j$  are neutrosophic open sets of  $Z_1$  and  $Z_2$ , respectively. From  $(h_1 \times h_2)^{-1}(D) = \cup(h^{-1}(W_i) \times h^{-1}(T_j))$ , it can be concluded that  $(h_1 \times h_2)^{-1}(D)$  is a neutrosophic preopen set, represented as the union of products of neutrosophic strongly preopen sets.  $\square$

**Theorem 18.** Consider a mapping  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  from a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  to a neutrosophic topological space  $(Z, \sigma)$ . If the graph  $r : W \rightarrow W \times Z$  of  $h$  is neutrosophic strong precontinuous, it can be concluded that  $h$  is neutrosophic strong precontinuous.

**Proof.** According to Lemma 4, for any neutrosophic open set  $D$  in  $(Z, \sigma)$ ,  $h^{-1}(D) = 1_W \cap h^{-1}(D) = r^{-1}(1_Z \times D)$ . Since  $r$  is neutrosophic strong precontinuous and  $1_Z \times D$  is a neutrosophic open set in  $W \times Z$ ,  $h^{-1}(D)$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen set in  $(W, \tau)$ , which implies that  $h$  is neutrosophic strong precontinuous.  $\square$

### 6. Decomposition of Neutrosophic Continuity

In this section, we first introduce the concept of neutrosophic  $P$  – set and give one of its properties, then we introduce neutrosophic  $P$  – continuity, whose basis is formed by this new type of set, and present a property of this new type of continuity.

**Definition 28.** A neutrosophic set  $T$  in a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  is called  $P$  if and only if  $T = V \cap D$ , where  $V \in \tau$  and  $D$  is a neutrosophic preclosed set in  $(W, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 19.** A neutrosophic set  $T$  in a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  is open if and only if it is both a neutrosophic strongly preopen set and a  $P$ -set.

**Proof.** Let  $T$  be a neutrosophic open set in a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$ . Then, from  $T = T \cap W$ , it follows that  $T$  is a neutrosophic  $P$ -set. Also,  $T$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen set by Theorem 2(a).

Conversely, let  $T$  be both a neutrosophic  $P$ -set and a neutrosophic strongly preopen set. Then,  $T \subseteq ((T_p))^\circ$  and  $T = V \cap D$ , where  $V \in \tau$  and  $D$  is a neutrosophic preclosed set in  $(W, \tau)$ . Therefore,  $V \cap D \subseteq (\overline{V_p} \cap \overline{D_p})^\circ \subseteq (\overline{V_p})^\circ \cap (\overline{D_p})^\circ = (\overline{V_p})^\circ \cap D^\circ$ . Hence,  $V \cap D = (V \cap D) \cap D \subseteq (\overline{V_p})^\circ \cap D^\circ \cap V = V \cap D^\circ$ . Noticing that  $V \cap D^\circ \subseteq V \cap D$ , we obtain  $V \cap D = V \cap D^\circ$ ; thus,  $T = V \cap D$  is a neutrosophic open set.  $\square$

**Definition 29.** A mapping  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  is called neutrosophic  $P$ -continuous and  $h^{-1}(D)$  is a neutrosophic  $P$ -set for each  $D \in \sigma$ .

Based on Theorem 19, the decomposition of continuity is derived as follows.

**Theorem 20.** A mapping  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  is neutrosophic continuous if and only if it is both neutrosophic strong precontinuous and neutrosophic  $P$ -continuous.

**Proof.** Let  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  be a neutrosophic continuous mapping and  $D \in \sigma$ . Then,  $h^{-1}(D)$  is neutrosophic open in  $(W, \tau)$ . From Theorem 2,  $h^{-1}(D)$  is neutrosophic strongly preopen. So,  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  is neutrosophic strongly precontinuous. On the other hand,  $h^{-1}(D) = h^{-1}(D) \cap 1_W$ , where  $h^{-1}(D)$  is neutrosophic open in  $(W, \tau)$  and  $1_W$  is neutrosophic preclosed in  $(W, \tau)$ . This implies that  $h^{-1}(D)$  is a neutrosophic  $P$ -set and  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  is neutrosophic  $P$ -continuous.

Let  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  be a neutrosophic  $P$ -continuous and a neutrosophic strongly precontinuous mapping. Then,  $h^{-1}(D)$  is neutrosophic strongly preopen and a neutro-

sophic  $P$ -set for any  $D \in \sigma$ . From Theorem 19,  $h^{-1}(D)$  is open. So,  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  is neutrosophic continuous.  $\square$

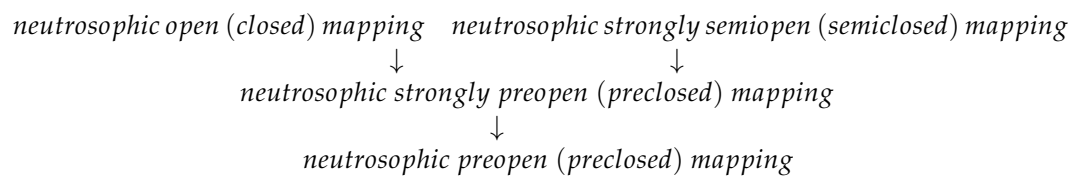
### 7. Neutrosophic Strongly Preopen and Neutrosophic Strongly Preclosed Mappings

In this last subheading of our study, we first introduce two new mapping types and show their relationships with other mapping types with the help of a diagram. Also, we give some inverse examples of this diagram. We then examine the properties of these new types of mappings.

**Definition 30.** A mapping  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  is called

- (a) Neutrosophic strongly preopen iff  $h(T) \in NSPO(Z, \sigma)$  for each  $T \in \tau$ ;
- (b) Neutrosophic strongly preclosed iff  $h(T) \in NSPC(Z, \sigma)$  for each  $T^c \in \tau$ .

The diagram illustrating the implications is presented as follows:



The following example shows that reverse may not be true.

**Example 4.** Let  $W = \{e, f, g\}$  and  $E, F, G$  be neutrosophic sets of  $X$  defined as below:

$$E = \{\langle e, 0.3, 0.3, 0.7 \rangle, \langle f, 0.2, 0.2, 0.8 \rangle, \langle g, 0.7, 0.7, 0.3 \rangle\},$$

$$F = \{\langle e, 0.8, 0.8, 0.2 \rangle, \langle f, 0.8, 0.8, 0.2 \rangle, \langle g, 0.4, 0.4, 0.6 \rangle\},$$

$$G = \{\langle e, 0.8, 0.8, 0.2 \rangle, \langle f, 0.7, 0.7, 0.3 \rangle, \langle g, 0.6, 0.6, 0.4 \rangle\}.$$

Let  $\tau = \{0_W, 1_W, F\}$ ,  $\varphi = \{0_W, 1_W, E, F, E \cap F, E \cup F\}$ ,  $\sigma = \{0_W, 1_W, E\}$  and  $\omega = \{0_W, 1_W, G\}$ . Then, the identity mapping  $id : (W, \omega) \rightarrow (W, \varphi)$  is neutrosophic strongly preopen (preclosed) but  $h$  is not neutrosophic strongly semiopen (semiclosed). Additionally,  $id : (W, \omega) \rightarrow (W, \tau)$  is neutrosophic preopen (preclosed), but it is not neutrosophic strongly preopen (preclosed).

**Theorem 21.** Let  $f : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  be a mapping from a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  into a neutrosophic topological space  $(Z, \sigma)$ . Then, the following statements are equivalent:

- (a)  $h$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen mapping;
- (b)  $h(T^\circ) \subseteq (h(T))_{sp}^\circ$ , for each neutrosophic set  $T$  in  $(W, \tau)$ ;
- (c)  $(h^{-1}(D))^\circ \subseteq h^{-1}(D_{sp}^\circ)$ , for each neutrosophic set  $D$  in  $(Z, \sigma)$ ;
- (d)  $h^{-1}(\overline{D}_{sp}) \subseteq \overline{h^{-1}(D)}$ , for each neutrosophic set  $D$  in  $(Z, \sigma)$ ;
- (e) A neutrosophic base  $\delta$  exists for  $\tau$  such that  $h(T)$  is neutrosophic strongly preopen set in  $(Z, \sigma)$  for each  $T \in \delta$ .

**Proof.** Omitted.  $\square$

**Theorem 22.** A mapping  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  that is a mapping from a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  into a neutrosophic topological space  $(Z, \sigma)$  is neutrosophic strongly preclosed if and only if  $(h(T))_{sp} \subseteq f(\overline{T})$  for each neutrosophic set  $T$  in  $(W, \tau)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  be a neutrosophic strongly preclosed mapping and  $T \in \tau$ . Then,  $\overline{T}$  is neutrosophic closed in  $(W, \tau)$  and  $h(\overline{T})$  is neutrosophic strongly preclosed in  $(Z, \sigma)$ . Since  $h(T) \subset h(\overline{T})$ ,  $(h(T))_{sp} \subset h(\overline{T})$ .

Let  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  be a neutrosophic and  $(h(T))_{sp} \subset h(\overline{T})$  for any neutrosophic set  $T$  in  $(W, \tau)$ . Let  $T$  be a closed set in  $(W, \tau)$ . Then,  $T = \overline{T}$  and  $h(T) = h(\overline{T})$ . So,  $(h(T))_{sp} \subset h(T)$ .

Then, it is obvious that  $h(T) \subseteq \overline{(h(T))}_{sp}$ . This implies that  $h(T) = \overline{(h(T))}_{sp}$  and  $h(T)$  is neutrosophic strongly preclosed. Therefore,  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  is a neutrosophic strongly preclosed mapping.  $\square$

**Theorem 23.** Let  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  be a bijective mapping from a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  into a neutrosophic topological space  $(Z, \sigma)$ . Then,  $h$  is neutrosophic strongly preopen if and only if, it is neutrosophic strongly preclosed.

**Proof.** The theorem follows from Lemma 2.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.** Let  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  be a bijective mapping from a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  to a neutrosophic topological space  $(Z, \sigma)$ . Then,  $h$  is neutrosophic strongly preopen if and only if  $\overline{(h(T))}_{sp} \subseteq h(\overline{T})$  for each neutrosophic set  $T$  in  $(W, \tau)$ .

**Corollary 3.** Let  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  be a bijective mapping from a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  into a neutrosophic topological space  $(Z, \sigma)$ . Then, the following statements are equivalent:

- (a)  $h$  is a neutrosophic strongly preclosed mapping;
- (b)  $h(T^\circ) \subseteq (h(T))_{sp}^\circ$ , for each neutrosophic set  $T$  in  $(W, \tau)$ ;
- (c)  $(h^{-1}(D))^\circ \subseteq h^{-1}(D_{sp}^\circ)$ , for each neutrosophic set  $H$  in  $(Z, \sigma)$ ;
- (d)  $h^{-1}(\overline{D}_{sp}) \subseteq \overline{(h^{-1}(D))}$ , for each neutrosophic set  $D$  in  $(Z, \sigma)$ ;
- (e) A neutrosophic base  $\delta$  exists for  $\tau$  such that  $h(T)$  is neutrosophic strongly preclosed set in  $(Y, \sigma)$  for each  $T^c \in \delta$ .

**Theorem 24.** A mapping  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  from a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  into a neutrosophic topological space  $(Z, \sigma)$  is neutrosophic strongly preopen if and only if  $h(T^\circ) \subseteq \overline{(h(T))}_p^\circ$ , for each neutrosophic set  $T$  in  $(W, \tau)$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that  $h$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen mapping. For any neutrosophic  $T$  in  $(W, \tau)$ ,  $h(T^\circ)$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen set of  $Z$ . Thus,  $h(T^\circ) \subseteq \overline{(h(T^\circ))}_p^\circ \subseteq \overline{(h(T))}_p^\circ$ .

Conversely, let  $T$  be a neutrosophic open set in  $(W, \tau)$ . From  $h(T) = h(T^\circ) \subseteq \overline{(h(T))}_p^\circ$ , we conclude that  $h$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen mapping.  $\square$

**Theorem 25.** A mapping  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  from a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  into a neutrosophic topological space  $(Z, \sigma)$  is neutrosophic strongly preclosed if and only if  $\overline{(h(T))}_p^\circ \subseteq h(\overline{T})$ , for each neutrosophic  $T$  in  $(W, \tau)$ .

**Proof.** The theorem can be proved in a similar manner as Theorem 24.  $\square$

**Theorem 26.** Let  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  be a mapping from a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  to a neutrosophic topological space  $(Z, \sigma)$ .

- (a) If  $h(\overline{(T)}_p^\circ) \subseteq \overline{(h(T))}_p^\circ$ , for each neutrosophic open set  $T$  in  $(W, \tau)$ , then  $h$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen mapping.
- (b) If  $\overline{(h(T))}_p^\circ \subseteq h(\overline{(T)}_p^\circ)$ , for each neutrosophic closed set  $T$  in  $(W, \tau)$ , then  $h$  is a neutrosophic strongly preclosed mapping.

**Proof.** (a) Let  $T$  be any neutrosophic open set in  $(W, \tau)$ . Then,  $T \subseteq \overline{(T)}_p^\circ$ . According to the assumption  $h(T) \subseteq h(\overline{(T)}_p^\circ) \subseteq \overline{(h(T))}_p^\circ$ , so  $h(T)$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen in  $(Z, \sigma)$ .

(b) Omitted.

$\square$

**Theorem 27.** Let  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  be a mapping from a neutrosophic topological space  $(W, \tau)$  to a neutrosophic topological space  $(Z, \sigma)$ . Then,  $h$  is neutrosophic strongly preopen if and only if, for each neutrosophic set  $H$  in  $(Y, \sigma)$  and each neutrosophic closed set  $T$  in  $(W, \tau)$ ,  $h^{-1}(H) \subseteq T$ , there exists a neutrosophic strongly preclosed set  $D$  in  $(Z, \sigma)$  such that  $H \subseteq D$  and  $h^{-1}(D) \subseteq T$ .

**Proof.** Let  $D$  be any neutrosophic set in  $(Z, \sigma)$  and  $T$  be a neutrosophic closed set in  $(W, \tau)$  such that  $h^{-1}(D) \subseteq T$ . Then,  $T^c \subseteq h^{-1}(D^c)$ , or  $h(T^c) \subseteq h(h^{-1}(D^c)) \subseteq D^c$ . Since  $T^c$  is a neutrosophic open set,  $h(T^c)$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen set, so  $h(T^c) \subseteq (D^c)_{sp}^\circ$ . Hence,  $T^c \subseteq h^{-1}(h(T^c)) \subseteq h^{-1}((D^c)_{sp}^\circ)$ . Thus,  $h^{-1}(\overline{D}_{sp}) = h^{-1}(((D^c)_{sp}^\circ)^c) \subseteq T$ . The result follows that  $D = \overline{D}_{sp}$ .

Conversely, let  $V$  be a neutrosophic open set in  $(W, \tau)$ . We show that  $h(V)$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen set. From  $V \subseteq h^{-1}(f(V))$ , it follows that  $h^{-1}((h(V))^c) \subseteq (h^{-1}(f(V)))^c \subseteq V^c$ , where  $V^c$  is a neutrosophic closed set in  $(W, \tau)$ . Hence, there is a neutrosophic strongly preclosed set  $D$  in  $(Z, \sigma)$  such that  $(h(V))^c \subseteq D$  and  $h^{-1}(D) \subseteq V^c$ . From  $(h(V))^c \subseteq D$ , it follows that  $\overline{(h(V))^c}_{sp} \subseteq D$ , so  $D^c \subseteq ((h(V))^c_{sp})^c \subseteq (h(V))_{sp}^\circ$ . From  $h^{-1}(D) \subseteq V^c$ , we obtain  $V \subseteq h^{-1}(D^c)$ , so  $h(V) \subseteq h(h^{-1}(D^c)) \subseteq D^c$ . Hence,  $h(V) = (h(V))_{sp}^\circ$ . Thus,  $h(V)$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen set, so  $h$  is a neutrosophic strong preopen mapping.  $\square$

**Corollary 4.** If  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen mapping, then the following hold:

- (a)  $h^{-1}(\overline{(D_p^\circ)}) \subseteq \overline{h^{-1}(D)}$ , for each neutrosophic set  $H$  in  $(Y, \sigma)$ ;
- (b)  $h^{-1}(\overline{D}) \subseteq \overline{h^{-1}(D)}$ , for each neutrosophic preopen set  $D$  in  $(Z, \sigma)$ .

**Proof.** (a) Let  $D$  be a neutrosophic set in  $(Z, \sigma)$ . Then,  $\overline{h^{-1}(D)}$  is a neutrosophic closed set in  $(W, \tau)$  containing  $h^{-1}(D)$ . According to Theorem 27, there exists a neutrosophic strongly preclosed set  $D$  in  $(Z, \sigma)$ ,  $H \subseteq D$  such that  $h^{-1}(D) \subseteq \overline{h^{-1}(D)}$ . Thus,  $h^{-1}(\overline{(D_p^\circ)}) \subseteq h^{-1}(\overline{(D_p^\circ)}) \subseteq h^{-1}(D) \subseteq \overline{h^{-1}(D)}$ .  
 (b) This claim follows immediately from (a).  $\square$

**Theorem 28.** Let  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be a mapping from a neutrosophic topological space  $(X, \tau)$  into a neutrosophic topological space  $(Y, \sigma)$ . Then,  $h$  is neutrosophic strongly preclosed if and only if, for each neutrosophic set  $H$  in  $(Y, \sigma)$  and each neutrosophic open set  $G$  in  $(X, \tau)$ , when  $h^{-1}(H) \subseteq G$ , there exists a neutrosophic strongly preopen set  $D$  in  $(Y, \sigma)$  such that  $H \subseteq D$  and  $h^{-1}(D) \subseteq G$ .

**Proof.** The theorem can be proved in a similar manner as Theorem 27.  $\square$

**Theorem 29.** Let  $h : (W, \tau) \rightarrow (W, \sigma)$  and  $r : (Z, \sigma) \rightarrow (R, \omega)$  be mappings, where  $(W, \tau)$ ,  $(Z, \sigma)$ , and  $(R, \omega)$  are neutrosophic topological spaces. If  $r$  is neutrosophic strongly preopen (preclosed) and  $h$  is neutrosophic open (closed), then  $roh$  is neutrosophic strongly preopen (preclosed).

**Proof.** For any neutrosophic open (closed) set  $T$  in  $(W, \tau)$ , the following holds:  $roh(T) = r(h(T))$ . Since  $h$  is a neutrosophic open (closed) mapping and  $r$  is neutrosophic strongly preopen (preclosed), we obtain that  $roh(T)$  is a neutrosophic strongly preopen (preclosed) set in  $(Z, \omega)$ .  $\square$

### 8. Conclusions

In this research, a new category of open set was introduced to the scientific community. Moreover, novel forms of continuity and mappings were established based on this new open set concept. The connections between these newly proposed types of continuity and mappings, previously unexplored, were illustrated through diagrams. To address any

potential doubts for readers, examples were included. It is anticipated that this research will significantly impact other scientific disciplines, helping to meet the evolving demands of human life. Additionally, it is expected that this research will serve as an inspiration for future mathematical investigations and encourage researchers to pursue new directions in the field.

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