

Strongly, Perfectly and Contra M_I^* -Continuous In Ideal Topological Space

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Abstract- In this paper we have to introduced the concept of strongly M_I^* -continuous, perfectly M_I^* -continuous and contra M_I^* -continuous maps in ideal topological spaces. Also we have discussed the relationship with other existing continuous maps, composition between these continuous maps and its equivalent properties.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The concept of ideals in topological spaces is treated in the classic text by Kuratowski [9] and Vaidyanathaswamy [10]. Jankovic and Hamlett [4] investigated further properties of ideal spaces. An Ideal I on a topological space (X, τ) is a non-empty collection of subsets of X which satisfies the following properties: (i) $A \in I$ and $B \subset A$ implies $B \in I$ (ii) $A \in I$ and $B \in I$ implies $A \cup B \in I$. An ideal topological space (or an ideal space) is a topological space (X, τ) with an ideal I on X and is denoted by (X, τ, I) . For a subset $A \subset X$, $A^*(I, \tau) = \{x \in X : A \cap U \notin I \text{ for every } U \in \tau(x)\}$ is called the local function of A with respect to I and τ [9]. We simply write A^* in case there is no chance for confusion. A Kuratowski closure operator $cl^*(\cdot)$ for a topology $\tau^*(I, \tau)$ called the $*$ -topology, finer than τ is defined by $cl^*(A) = A \cup A^*$ [10].

2. PRELIMINARIES

Definition 2.1. A map $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called (i) contra continuous [2] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is closed in (X, τ) for each open set V of (Y, σ) . (ii) contra α -continuous [3] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is α -closed in (X, τ) for each open subset V of (Y, σ) . (iii) contra β -continuous [1] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is β -closed in (X, τ) for each open subset V of (Y, σ) . (iv) contra pre-continuous [4] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is pre-closed in (X, τ) for each open subset V of (Y, σ) . (v) contra semi-continuous if $f^{-1}(V)$ is semi-closed in (X, τ) for each open subset V of (Y, σ) .

Definition 2.2. A map $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called (i) strongly continuous [29] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is both open and closed in (X, τ) for each subset V of (Y, σ) . (ii) perfectly continuous [40] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is both open and closed in (X, τ) for each open subset

V of (Y, σ) .

Definition 2.3. [7] A subset A of an ideal topological space (X, τ, I) is called M_I^* -closed if $spcl(A) \subset U$ whenever $A \subset U$ and U is I_ω -open in (X, τ, I) . The class of all M_I^* -closed sets in (X, τ, I) is denoted by $M_I^* - C(X)$. That is, $M_I^* - C(X) = \{A \subset X : A \text{ is } M_I^* \text{-closed in } (X, \tau, I)\}$.

Definition 2.4 [7] A function $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is called M_I^* -irresolute if $f^{-1}(V)$ is M_I^* -closed in (X, τ, I) for every M_J^* -closed set V in (Y, σ, J) .

Theorem 2.5 [7]. Every closed (resp. α -closed, pre-closed, semi-closed, β -closed) set is M_I^* -closed but not conversely.

Lemma 2.6. The following are the properties for the subsets A, B of a space X .

- (i) $x \in \ker(A)$ if and only if $A \cap F \neq \emptyset$ for any closed set F of X containing x .
- (ii) $A \subset \ker(A)$ and $A = \ker(A)$ if A is open in X
- (iii) If $A \subset B$ then $\ker(A) \subset \ker(B)$.

3. CONTRA M_I^* -CONTINUOUS

Definition 3.1. A function $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called contra M_I^* -continuous if $f^{-1}(V)$ is M_I^* -open (resp. M_I^* -closed) in (X, τ, I) for every closed (resp. open) set V in (Y, σ) .

Example 3.2. Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$, $I = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, Y, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$. Define a

function $f: (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = c, f(b) = a$ and $f(c) = b$. Then f is contra M_I^* -continuous.

Theorem 3.3. (i) Every contra continuous function is a contra M_I^* -continuous function but not conversely.

(ii) Every contra α -continuous function is a contra M_I^* -continuous function but not conversely.

(iii) Every contra pre-continuous function is a contra M_I^* -continuous function but not conversely.

(iv) Every contra semi-continuous function is a contra M_I^* -continuous function but not conversely.

(v) Every contra β -continuous function is a contra M_I^* -continuous function but not conversely.

Proof. (i) Let $f: (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a contra continuous function and V be an open set of (Y, σ) . Since f is contra continuous, $f^{-1}(V)$ is closed in (X, τ) . Hence by Proposition 2.0.31, $f^{-1}(V)$ is M_I^* -closed in (X, τ) . Thus f is a contra M_I^* -continuous function. The proof of the other parts are similar.

Example 3.4. Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}, \tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}, \sigma = \{\emptyset, Y, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ and $I = \{\emptyset, \{c\}\}$. Define a function $f: (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = a, f(b) = b$ and $f(c) = a$. Then f is contra M_I^* -continuous but not contra continuous. For an open set $\{a\}$, we have, $f^{-1}(\{a\}) = \{a, c\}$, which is M_I^* -closed but not closed (resp. α -closed, pre-closed, semi-closed, β -closed) in (X, τ, I) .

Remark 3.5. The composition of two contra M_I^* -continuous functions need not be contra M_I^* -continuous as seen from the following example.

Example 3.6 Let $X = Y = Z = \{a, b, c\}, \tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}, \sigma = \{\emptyset, Y, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}, \gamma = \{\emptyset, Z, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}, I = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\}$ and $J = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$. Define a function $f: (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ by $f(a) = c, f(b) = a$ and $f(c) = b$ and $g: (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ by $g(a) = c, g(b) = a$ and $g(c) = b$. Then f and g both are contra M_I^* -continuous but their composition is not contra M_I^* -continuous. For an open set $\{a, b\}$ in (Z, γ) , we have $(g \circ f)^{-1}(\{a, b\}) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(\{a, b\})) = f^{-1}(\{b, c\}) = \{a, c\}$ which is not M_I^* -closed in (X, τ, I) .

Theorem 3.7. The following are equivalent for a function $f: (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$. Assume that $M_I^* - O(X)$ (resp. $M_I^* - C(X)$) is closed under any union. (resp. intersection)

(i) f is contra M_I^* -continuous.

(ii) The inverse image of a closed set F of (Y, σ) is M_I^* -open in (X, τ, I) .

(iii) For each $x \in X$ and each closed set F of Y containing

$f(x)$, there exists $U \in M_I^* - O(X)$ and $x \in U$ such that $f(U) \subseteq F$.

(iv) $f(M_I^* - cl(A)) \subseteq Ker(f(A))$ for every subset A of X .

(v) $M_I^* - cl(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(Ker(B))$ for every subset B of Y .

Proof. The implication (i) \Rightarrow (ii) is obvious.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii): Let x be any point of X and F be any closed set of Y containing $f(x)$. By (ii), $f^{-1}(F)$ is M_I^* -closed in (X, τ, I) and $x \in f^{-1}(F)$. Put $U = f^{-1}(F)$, then $U \in M_I^* - O(X)$ and $f(U) \subseteq F$.

(iii) \Rightarrow (ii) Let F be any closed set of Y and $x \in f^{-1}(F)$. Then $f(x) \in F$ and there exists $U_x \in M_I^* - O(X)$ such that $f(U_x) \subseteq F$. Hence $f^{-1}(F) = \{U_x : x \in f^{-1}(F)\}$ is obtained and by assumption $f^{-1}(F)$ is M_I^* -open.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iv) Let A be any subset of X . Suppose that $y \notin Ker(f(A))$. Then by Lemma 2.6, there exists $F \in C(Y, f(x))$ such that $f(A) \cap F = \emptyset$. Thus $A \cap f^{-1}(F) = \emptyset$ and $M_I^* - cl(A) \cap f^{-1}(F) = \emptyset$. Hence $f(M_I^* - cl(A)) \cap F = \emptyset$ and $y \notin f(M_I^* - cl(A))$ are obtained. Thus $f(M_I^* - cl(A)) \subseteq Ker(f(A))$.

(iv) \Rightarrow (v) Let B be any subset of Y . By (iv) and Lemma 2.6, $f(M_I^* - cl(f^{-1}(B))) \subseteq Ker(f(f^{-1}(B))) \subseteq Ker(B)$ and $M_I^* - cl(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(Ker(B))$.

(v) \Rightarrow (i) Let U be an open set of Y . Then by Lemma 2.6, $M_I^* - cl(f^{-1}(U)) \subseteq f^{-1}(Ker(U)) = f^{-1}(U)$ and $M_I^* - cl(f^{-1}(U)) = f^{-1}(U)$. By assumption, $f^{-1}(U)$ is M_I^* -closed in (X, τ, I) . Hence f is contra M_I^* -continuous.

Theorem 3.8. Let $(X, \tau, I), (Y, \sigma, J)$ be any two ideal topological spaces and (Z, γ, J) be $T_{M_I^*}$ -space. Then the composition $g \circ f: (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is contra M_I^* -continuous if $f: (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is contra M_I^* -continuous and $g: (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is M_I^* -continuous.

Proof. Let F be any closed set of (Z, γ) . Since g is M_I^* -continuous, $g^{-1}(F)$ is M_I^* -closed in (Y, σ, J) and (Y, σ, J) is $T_{M_I^*}$ -space, hence $g^{-1}(F)$ is closed in (Y, σ, J) . Since f is contra M_I^* -continuous, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F))$ is M_I^* -open in (X, τ, I) . Hence $g \circ f$ is contra M_I^* -continuous.

Theorem 3.9. Let $(X, \tau, I), (Y, \sigma, J)$ be any two ideal topological spaces and (Z, γ, J) be $T_{M_I^*}$ -space. Then the composition $g \circ f: (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is M_I^* -continuous if $f: (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is contra M_I^* -continuous and

$g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is contra M_I^* continuous.

Proof. Let F be an open set of (Z, γ) . Since g is contra M_I^* -continuous, $g^{-1}(F)$ is M_I^* -closed in (Y, σ, J) and (Y, σ, J) is T_M^* -space, hence $g^{-1}(F)$ is closed in (Y, σ, J) . Since f is contra M_I^* -continuous, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(F)$ is M_I^* -open in (X, τ, I) . Hence $g \circ f$ is M_I^* -continuous.

Theorem 3.10.. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and (Y, σ, J) be an αT_M^* -space. Then the composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is contra α -continuous if $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is α -irresolute and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is contra M_I^* -continuous.

Proof. Let F be an open set of (Z, γ) . Since g is contra M_I^* -continuous, $g^{-1}(F)$ is M_I^* -closed in (Y, σ, J) and (Y, σ, J) is an αT_M^* -space, hence $g^{-1}(F)$ is α -closed in (Y, σ, J) . Since f is α -irresolute, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(F)$ is α -closed in (X, τ) . Hence $g \circ f$ is contra α -continuous.

Theorem 3.11. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and (Y, σ, J) be a $pTMI^*$ -space. Then the composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is contra pre-continuous if $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is pre-irresolute and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is contra M_I^* -continuous.

Proof. Let F be an open set of (Z, γ) . Since g is contra M_I^* -continuous, $g^{-1}(F)$ is M_I^* -closed in (Y, σ, J) and (Y, σ, J) is $pTMI^*$ -space, hence $g^{-1}(F)$ is pre-closed in (Y, σ, J) . Since f is pre-irresolute, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(F)$ is pre-closed in (X, τ) . Hence $g \circ f$ is contra pre-continuous.

Theorem 3.12. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and (Y, σ, J) be a $sTMI^*$ -space. Then the composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is contra semi-continuous if $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is semi-irresolute and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is contra M_I^* -continuous.

Proof. The proof is similar

Theorem 3.13.. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and (Y, σ, J) be a βTMI^* -space. Then the composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is contra β -continuous if $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is β -irresolute and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is contra M_I^* -continuous.

Proof. The proof is similar

Theorem 3.14.. If $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is M_I^* -irresolute and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is contra M_I^* -continuous, then their composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is contra M_I^* -continuous.

Proof. Let U be any open set of (Z, γ) . Since g is contra

M_I^* -continuous, then $g^{-1}(U)$ is M_I^* -closed in (Y, σ, J) and since f is M_I^* -irresolute, then $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U))$ is M_I^* -closed in (X, τ, I) . Therefore $g \circ f$ is contra M_I^* -continuous.

Theorem 3.15.. If $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is M_I^* -irresolute and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is contra α -continuous, then their composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is contra M_I^* -continuous.

Proof. Let U be any open set of (Z, γ) . Since g is contra α -continuous, then $g^{-1}(U)$ is α -closed in (Y, σ, J) . By Theorem 2.5., $g^{-1}(U)$ is

M_I^* -closed in (Y, σ, J) and since f is M_I^* -irresolute, then $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U))$ is M_I^* -closed in (X, τ, I) . Therefore $g \circ f$ is contra M_I^* -continuous.

Theorem 3.16. If $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is M_I^* -irresolute and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is contra pre-continuous, then their composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is contra M_I^* -continuous.

Proof. The proof is similar.

Theorem 3.17.. If $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is M_I^* -irresolute and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is contra semi-continuous, then their composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is contra M_I^* -continuous.

Proof. The proof is similar.

Theorem 3.18.: If $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is M_I^* -irresolute and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is contra β -continuous, then their composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is contra M_I^* -continuous.

Proof. The proof is similar.

Theorem 3.19. If $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is contra M_I^* -continuous and $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is continuous, then their composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is contra M_I^* -continuous.

Proof. Let U be any open set of (Z, γ) . Since g is continuous, then $g^{-1}(U)$ is open in (Y, σ) and since f is contra M_I^* -continuous, then $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(U)$ is M_I^* -closed in (X, τ, I) . Therefore $g \circ f$ is contra M_I^* -continuous.

4. Strongly and perfectly M_I^* -continuous maps

Definition 4.1.. A map $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is said to be strongly M_I^* -continuous if the inverse image of every M_I^* -open set of (Y, σ, J) is open in (X, τ) .

Proposition 4.2.. If a map $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is strongly

$M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous, then f is continuous but not conversely.

Proof. Since every open set is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -open, we get the proof.

Example 4.3.. Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, Y, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$, $J = \{\emptyset\}$. Define a function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ by $f(a) = b, f(b) = a$ and $f(c) = c$. Then the function f is continuous but not strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous. For a $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -closed set $\{b\}$, we have $f^{-1}(\{b\}) = \{a\}$ which is not closed in (X, τ) .

Proposition 4.4.. Let (X, τ) be a topological space, (Y, σ, J) be a $T_{M_{\mathbf{I}}^*}$ -space and $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ be a map. Then the following are equivalent:

- (i) f is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous,
- (ii) f is continuous.

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii) : Let V be a closed set in (Y, σ, J) . By Proposition, V is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -closed in (Y, σ, J) . Since f is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous, then $f^{-1}(V)$ is closed in (X, τ) . Hence, f is continuous.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i) : Let V be any $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -open set in (Y, σ, J) . Since (Y, σ, J) is a $T_{M_{\mathbf{I}}^*}$ -space, V is open in (Y, σ, J) . By (ii), $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in (X, τ) . Therefore, f is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Proposition 4.5.. Every strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous map is SMPC (strongly M-pre continuous) but not conversely.

Proof. The proof follows from the fact that every pre-open set is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -open.

Example 4.6. Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, Y, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$, $J = \{\emptyset\}$. Define a function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ by $f(a) = a, f(b) = c$ and $f(c) = b$. Then the function f is SMPC continuous but not strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous. For a $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -closed set $\{a, c\}$ in (Y, σ, J) , we have $f^{-1}(\{a, c\}) = \{a, b\}$ which is not closed in (X, τ) .

Proposition 4.7.. If a map $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is strongly continuous, then f is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous but not conversely.

Example 4.8. Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$, $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$ and $J = \{\emptyset\}$. Define a $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ be an identity function. Then f is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous but not strongly continuous. For a subset $\{a\}$ of (Y, σ, J) , we have $f^{-1}(\{a\}) = \{a\}$, which is not closed in (X, τ) .

Proposition 4.9. Let $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ be a map. Both (X, τ, I) and (Y, σ, J) are $T_{M_{\mathbf{I}}^*}$ space. Then the

following are equivalent

- (i) f is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -irresolute,
- (ii) f is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous,
- (iii) f is continuous,
- (iv) f is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii). Let F be a $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -closed set in (Y, σ, J) . Since f is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -irresolute, $f^{-1}(F)$ is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -closed set in (X, τ, I) . Therefore $f^{-1}(F)$ is closed in (X, τ, I) , since (X, τ, I) is a $T_{M_{\mathbf{I}}^*}$ space. Hence f is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous. The other implications are proved from Definitions.

Theorem 4.10. The composition of two strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous maps is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Proof. Let O be a $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -open set in (Z, γ, K) . Since g is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous, we get $g^{-1}(O)$ is open in (Y, σ, J) . By Theorem 2.5., $g^{-1}(O)$ is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -open in (Y, σ, J) . As f is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(O)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(O)$ is open in (X, τ, I) . Hence $g \circ f$ is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Definition 4.11. A map $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ called perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous if the inverse image of every $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -open set in (Y, σ, J) is both open and closed in (X, τ) .

Proposition 4.12.. If a map $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous, then f is perfectly continuous (resp. continuous) but not conversely.

Proof. Let V be an open set in (Y, σ, J) . Then V is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -open in (Y, σ, J) . Since f is perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous, $f^{-1}(V)$ is both open and closed in (X, τ) . Thus f is perfectly continuous and also continuous.

Example 4.13. Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$, $\sigma = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$ and $J = \{\emptyset\}$. Define a map $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ by $f(a) = a, f(b) = a, f(c) = b$. Here the inverse image of every closed set is clopen but the inverse image of a $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -closed set $\{a, c\}$, we have $f^{-1}(\{a, c\}) = \{a, b\}$ which is neither open nor closed. Thus f is perfectly continuous but not perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Proposition 4.14. If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous, then it is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous but not conversely.

Proof. Similar to the proof of Proposition 4.12.

Example 4.15 Let $X = \{a, b, c\}, \tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}, Y = \{a, b, c\}, \sigma = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$ and $J = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\}$. Define a map $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ by $f(a) = a, f(b) = c, f(c) = c$. For a $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -closed set $\{b, c\}$ in (Y, σ, J) , we have $f^{-1}(\{b, c\}) = \{b, c\}$ is closed but not open in (X, τ) . Thus f is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous but not perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Theorem 4.16. A map $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ from a topological space (X, τ) into an ideal topological space (Y, σ, J) is perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous iff $f^{-1}(O)$ is both open and closed in (X, τ) for every $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -closed set in (Y, σ, J) .

Proof. Let O be any $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -closed set in (Y, σ, J) . Then O^c is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -open in (Y, σ, J) . Since f is perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous, $f^{-1}(O^c)$ is both open and closed in (X, τ) . But $f^{-1}(O^c) = X/f^{-1}(O)$ and so $f^{-1}(O)$ is both open and closed in (X, τ) .

Conversely, assume that the inverse image of every $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -closed set in (Y, σ, J) is both open and closed in (X, τ) . Let O be any

$M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -open set in (Y, σ, J) . Then O^c is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -closed in (Y, σ, J) . By assumption, $f^{-1}(O^c)$ is both open and closed in (X, τ) . But $f^{-1}(O^c) = X/f^{-1}(O)$ and so $f^{-1}(O)$ is both open and closed in (X, τ) . Therefore, f is perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Proposition 4.17. Let (X, τ) be a discrete topological space, (Y, σ, J) be an ideal topological space and $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ be a map. Then the following are equivalent:

- (i) f is perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous,
- (ii) f is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii) Follows from Proposition 4.14.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i): Let U be any $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -open set in (Y, σ, J) . By hypothesis, $f^{-1}(U)$ is open in (X, τ) . Since (X, τ) is a discrete space, $f^{-1}(U)$ is also closed in (X, τ) and so f is perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Theorem 4.18. If $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma, K)$ is contra $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous then $g \circ f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma, K)$ is contra continuous.

Proof. Let U be any open set of (Z, γ, K) . Since g is contra $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous, then $g^{-1}(U)$ is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -closed in (Y, σ, J) . Since f is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous, then $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(U)$ is closed in (X, τ) . Therefore

$g \circ f$ is contra continuous.

Theorem 4.19. If $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -irresolute and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma, K)$ is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous then $g \circ f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma, K)$ is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -irresolute.

Proof. Let U be any $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -open set in (Z, γ, K) . Since g is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous, then $g^{-1}(U)$ is closed in (Y, σ, J) . By Theorem 2.5, $g^{-1}(U)$ is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -closed in (Y, σ, J) . Since f is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -irresolute, then $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(U)$ is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -closed in (X, τ, I) . Therefore $g \circ f$ is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -irresolute.

Theorem 4.20. If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma, K)$ is contra $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous then $g \circ f$ is contra $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Proof. Let U be any open set in (Z, γ, K) . Since g is contra $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous, then $g^{-1}(U)$ is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -closed in (Y, σ, J) and since f is perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous, then $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(U)$ is both open and closed in (X, τ) and so $(g \circ f)^{-1}(U)$ is both open and preclosed in (X, τ) . By Theorem 2.5, $(g \circ f)^{-1}(U)$ is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -closed in (X, τ) . Therefore $g \circ f$ is contra $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Proposition 4.21. If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma, K)$ are perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous, then their composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma, K)$ is also perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Proof. Let V be an $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -open set in (Z, γ, K) . Since g is perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous, $g^{-1}(V)$ is both open and closed in (Y, σ, J) . As f is perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$ is both open and closed in (X, τ) . Thus $g \circ f$ is perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Proposition 4.22. Let $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma, K)$ be any two maps. Then their composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma, K)$ is

- (i) $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -irresolute if g is perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous and f is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.
- (ii) strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous if g is perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous and f is continuous.
- (iii) perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous if g is strongly continuous and f is perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

(iv) perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous if g is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous and f is perfectly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Proof. Similar to the proof of the Proposition 4.20 .

Theorem 4.23. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma, K)$ be any two maps. Then their composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma, K)$ is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous if g is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -irresolute and f is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Proof. Let F be a $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -closed subset of (Z, γ, K) . Since g is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -irresolute, $g^{-1}(F)$ is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -closed in (Y, σ, J) . Also since f is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F))$ is closed in (X, τ) . Hence $g \circ f$ is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Theorem 4.24. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ be any two maps. Then their composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is continuous if g is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous and f is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Proof. Let F be any closed subset of (Z, γ) . Since g is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous, $g^{-1}(F)$ is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -closed in (Y, σ, J) . Also since f is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F))$ is closed in (X, τ) . Hence $g \circ f$ is continuous.

Theorem 4.25. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ be any two maps. Then their composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is continuous if g is α -continuous and f is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Proof. Let F be any closed subset of (Z, γ) . Since g is α -continuous, $g^{-1}(F)$ is α -closed in (Y, σ, J) . By Theorem 2.5, $g^{-1}(F)$ is $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -closed in (Y, σ, J) . Also since f is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F))$ is closed in (X, τ) . Hence $g \circ f$ is continuous.

Theorem 4.26. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ be any two maps. Then their composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is continuous if g is pre-continuous and f is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Proof. The proof is similar

Theorem 4.27. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ be any two maps. Then their composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is continuous if g is semi-continuous and f is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Proof. The proof is similar

Theorem 4.28. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ be any two maps. Then their composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is continuous if g is β -continuous and f

is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Proof. The proof is similar

Theorem 4.29. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ be any two maps. Then their composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is continuous if g is α -I-continuous and f is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Proof. The proof is similar

Theorem 4.30. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ be any two maps. Then their composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is continuous if g is pre-I-continuous and f is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Proof. The proof is similar

Theorem 4.31. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ be any two maps. Then their composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is continuous if g is semi-I-continuous and f is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Proof. The proof is similar

Theorem 4.32. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ and $g : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ be any two maps. Then their composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is continuous if g is β -I-continuous and f is strongly $M_{\mathbf{I}}^*$ -continuous.

Proof. The proof is similar

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