

More Functions Associated with α^*g Closed sets in Topological Spaces

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Abstract- The aim of this paper is to introduce two new classes of functions, namely totally α^*g -continuous functions and strongly α^*g -continuous functions and study its properties.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Continuity is an important concept in mathematics and many forms of continuous functions have been introduced over the years. RC Jain [4] introduced the concept of totally continuous functions for topological spaces. In 1960, Levine .N [6] introduced strong continuity in topological spaces. In this paper, we define totally α^*g continuous functions and strongly α^*g continuous functions and basic properties of these functions are investigated and obtained.

II PRELIMINARIES

Throughout this paper (X, τ) , (Y, σ) and (Z, η) or X, Y, Z represent non-empty topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed unless otherwise mentioned. For a subset A of a space (X, τ) , $cl(A)$ and $int(A)$ denote the closure and the interior of A respectively.

Definition 2.1: A subset A of X is said to be α^*g -closed set [1] if $\alpha cl(A) \subseteq U$ Whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is α^* -open.

Definition 2.2: A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called a α -continuous [8] if $f^{-1}(O)$ is a α -closed set [9] of (X, τ) for every closed set O of (Y, σ) .

Definition 2.3: A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called a αg -continuous [3] if $f^{-1}(O)$ is a αg -closed set [7] of (X, τ) for every closed set O of (Y, σ) .

Definition 2.4 : A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called a $g\alpha$ -continuous [5] if $f^{-1}(O)$ a $g\alpha$ -closed set [5] of (X, τ) for every closed set O of (Y, σ) .

Definition 2.5: A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be α^*g -continuous [2] if $f^{-1}(O)$ is α^*g -closed set [1] in (X, τ) for every closed in (Y, σ) .

Definition 2.6: A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be α^*g -irresolute [2] if $f^{-1}(O)$ is a α^*g -closed set [1] of (X, τ) for every α^*g -closed set B of (Y, σ) .

Definition 2.7: A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called a strongly continuous [6] if $f^{-1}(O)$ is both open and closed in (X, τ) for each subset O in (Y, σ) .

Definition 2.8: A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called a totally-continuous [4] if $f^{-1}(O)$ is a clopen set in (X, τ) for every closed set O of (Y, σ) .

Definition 2.9: A Topological space X is said to be $\alpha^*g T_{1/2}$ space [10] if every α^*g -closed set of X is closed in X .

Theorem 2.10: [1] Every closed set is α^*g -closed.

Theorem 2.11: [1] Every open set is α^*g -open.

Theorem 2.12: [1] Every α^*g -closed is $g\alpha$ -closed.

Theorem 2.13: [1] Every α^*g -closed is αg -closed.

III TOTALLY α^*G CONTINUOUS CONTINUOUS

We introduce the following definition.

Definition 3.1: A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be totally α^*g -continuous if the inverse image of every closed set in (Y, σ) is α^*g -clopen in (X, τ) .

Example 3.2: Let $X=Y=\{a,b,c,d\}$, $\tau=\{\phi, \{a\}, \{bcd\}, X\}$, $\sigma=\{\phi, \{abc\}, Y\}$, $\alpha^*gO(X)=\{\phi, \{bcd\}, \{a\}, X\}$, $\alpha^*gC(X)=\{\phi, \{a\}, \{bcd\}, X\}$. Let $g: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be defined by $g(a)=d$, $g(b)=c$, $g(c)=b$, $g(d)=a$. Therefore g is totally α^*g continuous.

Theorem 3.3: Every totally α^*g continuous functions is α^*g -continuous.

Proof: Let O be any closed set of (Y, σ) . Since, f is totally α^*g continuous functions, $f^{-1}(O)$ is both α^*g open and α^*g closed in (X, τ) . Therefore, f is α^*g continuous.

Remark 3.4: The converse of above theorem need not be true as the the following the example.

Example 3.5: Let $X=Y=\{a,b,c\}, \tau=\{\phi, \{ab\}, \{a\}, \{ac\}, X\}, \sigma=\{\phi, \{a\}, \{ab\}, Y\}, \alpha^*gO(X)=\{\phi, \{ac\}, \{ab\}, \{a\}, X\}, \alpha^*gC(X)=\{\phi, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{bc\}, X\}$. Let $g:(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be defined by $g(a)=a, g(b)=c, g(c)=b$. Clearly, g is α^*g -continuous but $g^{-1}(\{b,c\})=bc$ is α^*g -closed in X but not α^*g -open in X . Therefore, g is not totally α^*g continuous.

Theorem 3.6: Every totally continuous functions is α^*g -continuous.

Proof: Let O be any closed set of (Y, σ) . Since, f is totally continuous functions, $f^{-1}(O)$ is both open and closed in (X, τ) , Since every closed is α^*g -closed, $f^{-1}(O)$ is α^*g -closed in X . Therefore, f is α^*g -continuous.

Remark 3.7: The converse of above theorem need not be true as the following the example.

Example 3.8: Let $X=Y=\{a,b,c,d\}, \tau=\{\phi, \{ab\}, \{abc\}, X\}, \sigma=\{\phi, \{abc\}, Y\}, \alpha^*gC(X)=\{\phi, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{cd\}, X\}$. Let $g:(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be defined by $g(a)=b, g(b)=c, g(c)=a, g(d)=d$. Clearly, g is α^*g -continuous but $g^{-1}(\{d\})=d$ is closed in X but not open in X . Therefore, g is not totally continuous.

Theorem 3.9: Every totally α^*g continuous functions is $g\alpha$ -continuous.

Proof: Let O be any closed set of (Y, σ) . Since, f is totally α^*g continuous functions, $f^{-1}(O)$ is both α^*g -open and α^*g -closed in (X, τ) , Since every α^*g -closed is $g\alpha$ -closed, $f^{-1}(O)$ is $g\alpha$ -closed in X . Therefore, f is $g\alpha$ -continuous.

Remark 3.10: The converse of above theorem need not be true as the following the example.

Example 3.11: Let $X=Y=\{a,b,c,d\}, \tau=\{\phi, \{ab\}, \{abc\}, X\}, \sigma=\{\phi, \{a\}, \{abc\}, Y\}, g\alpha C(X)=\{\phi, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{cd\}, \{bcd\}, X\}, \alpha^*gC(X)=\{\phi, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{cd\}, X\}$. Let $g:(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be defined by $g(a)=a, g(b)=c, g(c)=d, g(d)=b$. Clearly, g is $g\alpha$ -continuous but $g^{-1}(\{d\})=\{c\}$ is α^*g -closed in X but not α^*g -open in X . Therefore, g is not totally α^*g continuous.

Theorem 3.12: Every totally α^*g continuous functions is αg -continuous.

Proof: Let O be any closed set of (Y, σ) . Since, f is totally α^*g continuous functions, $f^{-1}(O)$ is both α^*g -open and α^*g -closed in (X, τ) , Since every α^*g -closed is αg -closed, $f^{-1}(O)$ is αg -closed in X . Therefore, f is αg -continuous.

Remark 3.13: The converse of above theorem need not be true as the following the example.

Example 3.14: Let $X=Y=\{a,b,c,d\}, \tau=\{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{ab\}, \{bc\}, \{abc\}, X\}, \sigma=\{\phi, \{a\}, Y\}, \alpha gC(X)=\{\phi, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{cd\}, \{ad\}, \{bd\}, \{abd\}, \{acd\}, \{bcd\}, X\}, \alpha^*gC(X)=\{\phi, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{cd\}, \{ad\}, \{acd\}, \{bcd\}, X\}$. Let $g:(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be defined by $g(a)=a, g(b)=d, g(c)=b, g(d)=c$. Clearly, g is αg -continuous but $g^{-1}(\{b,c,d\})=\{b,c,d\}$ is α^*g -closed in X but not α^*g -open in X . Therefore, g is not totally α^*g continuous.

Theorem 3.15: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ be functions. Then $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$

- (i) If f is α^*g -irresolute and g is totally α^*g continuous then $g \circ f$ is totally α^*g continuous.
- (ii) If f is totally α^*g -continuous and g is continuous then $g \circ f$ is totally α^*g continuous.

Proof:

- (i) Let O be any closed set in Z . Since g is totally α^*g continuous, $g^{-1}(O)$ is α^*g clopen in Y . Since f is α^*g -irresolute, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(O))$ is α^*g -open and α^*g -closed in X . Since, $(g \circ f)^{-1}(O) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(O))$. Therefore, $g \circ f$ is totally α^*g continuous.
- (ii) Let O be any closed set in Z . Since g is continuous, $g^{-1}(O)$ is closed in Y . Since, f is totally α^*g continuous, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(O))$ is α^*g clopen in X . Hence, $g \circ f$ is totally α^*g continuous.

IV STRONGLY α^*g CONTINUOUS FUNCTION

Definition 4.1: A mapping $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be **strongly α^*g continuous** if the inverse image of every α^*g -closed set in Y is closed in X .

Example 4.2: Let $X = Y = \{a,b,c,d\}, \tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{ab\}, \{bc\}, \{abc\}, X\}, \sigma = \{\phi, \{abc\}, Y\}, \alpha^*gC(X) = \{\phi, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{cd\}, \{ad\}, \{acd\}, \{bcd\}, X\}, \alpha^*gC(Y) = \{\phi, \{d\}, Y\}$. Let $g:(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be defined by $g(a)=b, g(b)=c, g(c)=a, g(d)=d$. Therefore g is strongly α^*g continuous function.

Theorem 4.3: If a map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ from a topological spaces X into a topological spaces Y is strongly α^*g continuous then it is continuous.

Proof: Let O be a closed set in Y . Since every closed set is α^*g -closed, O is α^*g -closed in Y . Since f is strongly α^*g

continuous, $f^{-1}(O)$ is closed in X . Therefore f is continuous.

Remark 4.4: The following example that the converse of the above theorem is not true in general.

Example 4.5: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{ab\}, X\}$, $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, Y\}$, $\alpha^*gC(X) = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{ac\}, \{bc\}, X\}$, $\alpha^*gC(Y) = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{bc\}, Y\}$. Let $g: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be defined by $g(a) = d$, $g(b) = c$, $g(c) = b$, $g(d) = c$. Clearly g is continuous. But $g^{-1}(\{c\}) = \{b\}$ is closed in X . Therefore, g is not strongly α^*g continuous.

Theorem 4.6: A map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ from a topological spaces X into a topological spaces Y is strongly α^*g -continuous if and only if the inverse image of every α^*g -open set in Y is open in X .

Proof: Assume that f is strongly α^*g continuous. Let O be any α^*g -open set in Y . Then O^c is α^*g -closed in Y . Since f is strongly α^*g continuous, $f^{-1}(O^c)$ is closed in X . But $f^{-1}(O^c) = X / f^{-1}(O)$ and so $f^{-1}(O)$ is open in X .

Conversely, assume that the inverse image of every α^*g -open set in Y is open in X . Then O^c is α^*g -closed in Y . By assumption, $f^{-1}(O^c)$ is closed in X , but $f^{-1}(O^c) = X / f^{-1}(O)$ and so $f^{-1}(O)$ is open in X . Therefore, f is strongly α^*g continuous.

Theorem 4.7: If a map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is strongly continuous then it is strongly α^*g continuous.

Proof: Assume that f is strongly continuous. Let O be any closed set in Y . Since every closed set is α^*g -closed, implies O is α^*g -closed set in Y . Since f is strongly continuous, $f^{-1}(O)$ is closed in X . Therefore, f is strongly α^*g continuous.

Remark 4.8: The converse of above theorem need not be true as the following the example.

Example 4.9: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{ab\}, \{abc\}, X\}$, $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{abc\}, Y\}$, $\alpha^*gC(Y) = \{\emptyset, \{d\}, Y\}$. Let $g: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be defined by $g(a) = b$, $g(b) = c$, $g(c) = a$, $g(d) = d$. Clearly g is strongly α^*g continuous. But $g^{-1}(\{d\}) = \{d\}$ is closed in X but not open in X . Therefore g is not strongly continuous function.

Theorem 4.10: If a map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is strongly α^*g continuous then it is α^*g -continuous.

Proof: Let O be any closed set in Y . Since every closed set is α^*g -closed, O is α^*g -closed in Y . Since f is strongly α^*g continuous implies $f^{-1}(O)$ is closed in X . By [1] $f^{-1}(O)$ is α^*g closed in X . Therefore, f is α^*g continuous.

Remark 4.11: The converse of above theorem need not be true as the following the example.

Example 4.12: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{ab\}, \{abc\}, X\}$, $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{abc\}, Y\}$, $\alpha^*gC(X) = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{bc\}, \{bd\}, \{cd\}, \{bcd\}, X\}$, $\alpha^*gC(Y) = \{\emptyset, \{d\}, Y\}$. Let $g: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be defined by $g(a) = c$, $g(b) = d$, $g(c) = b$, $g(d) = a$. Clearly g is α^*g -continuous. But $g^{-1}(\{d\}) = \{b\}$ is not closed in X . Therefore g is not strongly α^*g continuous function.

Theorem 4.13: If a map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is strongly α^*g continuous and a map $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ is α^*g continuous then $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$ is continuous.

Proof: Let O be any closed set in Z . Since g is α^*g continuous, $g^{-1}(O)$ is α^*g -closed in Y . Since f is strongly α^*g continuous $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(O))$ is closed in X . But $(g \circ f)^{-1}(O) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(O))$. Therefore, $g \circ f$ is continuous.

Theorem 4.14: If a map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is strongly α^*g continuous and a map $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ is α^*g -irresolute, then $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$ is strongly α^*g continuous.

Proof: Let O be any α^*g -closed set in Z . Since g is α^*g -irresolute, $g^{-1}(O)$ is α^*g closed in Y . Also, f is strongly α^*g continuous $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(O))$ is closed in X . But $(g \circ f)^{-1}(O) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(O))$ is closed in X . Hence, $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$ is strongly α^*g continuous.

Theorem 4.15: If a map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is α^*g continuous and a map $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ is strongly α^*g continuous, then $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$ is α^*g irresolute.

Proof: Let O be any α^*g -closed set in Z . Since g is strongly α^*g continuous, $g^{-1}(O)$ is closed in Y . Also, f is α^*g continuous, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(O))$ is α^*g -closed in X . But $(g \circ f)^{-1}(O) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(O))$. Hence, $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$ is α^*g -irresolute.

Theorem 4.16: Let X be any topological spaces and Y be a $\alpha^*g T_{1/2}$ space and $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a map. Then the following are equivalent.

- 1) f is strongly α^*g continuous
- 2) f is continuous

Proof: (1) \implies (2) Let O be any closed set in Y . Since every closed set is α^*g -closed, O is α^*g -closed in Y . Then $f^{-1}(O)$ is closed in X . Hence, f is continuous.

(2) \implies (1) Let O be any α^*g -closed in (Y, σ) . Since, (Y, σ) is a $\alpha^*g T_{1/2}$ space, O is closed in (Y, σ) . Since, f is continuous. Then $f^{-1}(O)$ is closed in (X, τ) . Hence, f is strongly α^*g continuous.

Theorem 4.17: Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a map. Both (X, τ) and (Y, σ) are α^*g $T_{1/2}$ space. Then the following are equivalent.

- 1) f is α^*g -irresolute
- 2) f is strongly α^*g continuous
- 3) f is continuous
- 4) f is α^*g -continuous

Proof: The proof is obvious.

Theorem 4.18: The composition of two strongly α^*g continuous maps is strongly α^*g continuous.

Proof: Let O be a α^*g closed set in (Z, η) . Since, g is strongly α^*g continuous, we get $g^{-1}(O)$ is closed in (Y, σ) . Since every closed set is α^*g -closed, $g^{-1}(O)$ is α^*g -closed in (Y, σ) . As f is also strongly α^*g continuous, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(O)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(O)$ is closed in (X, τ) . Hence, $(g \circ f)$ is strongly α^*g continuous.

Theorem 4.19: If $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ and $g: (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ be any two maps. Then their composition $g \circ f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is strongly α^*g continuous if g is strongly α^*g continuous and f is continuous.

Proof: Let O be a α^*g closed in (Z, η) . Since, g is strongly α^*g continuous, $g^{-1}(O)$ is closed in (Y, σ) . Since f is continuous, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(O)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(O)$ is closed in (X, τ) . Hence, $(g \circ f)$ is strongly α^*g continuous.

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