

Contra $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -Continuous Functions

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Abstract

In this paper, some types of continuous functions via s-operations are introduced such as Contra $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -Continuous Functions and investigated. Several properties of these functions are constructed.

1. Introduction

In 1979, Kasahara S[1], introduced operation compact spaces. In 1991, Ogata H.[2], defined operations on topological spaces and associated topology. In 1992, Rehman F.U., and Ahmad B.[3], defined Operations on topological spaces. In 1999, Dontchev J., and Noiri T[4], defined Contra-semi continuous functions. They defined a function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ to be contra-continuous if the preimage of every open set of Y is semi-closed in X . In 2003, Ahmad B., and Hussain S.[5], defined γ -Convergence in Topological Spaces. In 2007, Hussain S.[6], defined Gamma-Operations in Topological Spaces. In 2012, S.F.Namiq and A.B.Khalaf defined $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous functions[7]. We consider λ as a function defined on $SO(X)$ into $P(X)$ and $\lambda : SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ is called an s-operation if $V \subseteq \lambda(V)$ for each non-empty semi open set V [7]. It is assumed that $\lambda(\phi) = \phi$ and $\lambda(X) = X$ for any s-operation λ [7]. Let $\lambda : SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ be an s-operation, then a subset A of X is called a λ^* -open set[8] which is equivalent to λ -open set[9] and λs -open set[10], if for each $x \in A$ there exists a semi open set U such that $x \in U$ and $\lambda(U) \subseteq A$. We see Willard S., General Topology [11], to study some concepts in topological space.

2 Preliminaries

Throughout, X denote topological spaces. Let A be a subset of X , then the closure and the interior of A are denoted by $Cl(A)$ and $Int(A)$ respectively. A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is said to be semi open [12] (resp. pre open [13], α -open [14], β -open [15]) if $A \subseteq Cl(Int(A))$ (resp. $A \subseteq Int(Cl(A))$, $A \subseteq Int(Cl(Int(A)))$, $A \subseteq Cl(Int(Cl(A)))$).

The family of all semi open (resp. pre open, α -open, β -open) sets in X is denoted by $SO(X, \tau)$ or $SO(X)$ (resp. $PO(X)$, $\alpha O(X)$, $\beta O(X)$). The complement of a semi open (resp. pre open, α -open, β -open) set is semi-closed (resp. pre closed, α -closed, β -closed). The family of all semi closed sets in a topological space (X, τ) is denoted by $SC(X, \tau)$ or $SC(X)$. We consider λ as a function defined on $SO(X)$ into $P(X)$ and $\lambda: SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ is called an s-operation if $V \subseteq \lambda(V)$ for each non-empty semi open set V . It is assumed that $\lambda(\phi) = \phi$ and $\lambda(X) = X$ for any s-operation λ .

Definition 2.1. [9]. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and $\lambda: SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ be an s-operation, then a subset A of X is called a λ -open set or λ^* -open set if for each $x \in A$ there exists a semi open set U such that $x \in U$ and $\lambda(U) \subseteq A$. The complement of a λ^* -open set is said to be λ^* -closed. The family of all λ^* -open (resp., λ^* -closed) subsets of a topological space (X, τ) is denoted by $SO_\lambda(X, \tau)$ or $SO_\lambda(X)$ (resp., $SC_\lambda(X, \tau)$ or $SC_\lambda(X)$).

Proposition 2.2. [7], [16]. For a topological space (X, τ) , $SO_\lambda(X) \subseteq SO(X)$.

The following examples show that the converse of the above proposition may not be true in general.

Example 2.3.[7],[16]. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, and $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, X\}$. We define an s-operation $\lambda : SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ as $\lambda(A) = A$ if $b \in A$ and $\lambda(A) = X$ otherwise. Here, we have $\{a, c\}$ is semi open set but it is not λ^* -open.

Definition 2.4.[7],[16]. Let (X, τ) be a space, an s-operation λ is said to be s-regular if for every semi open sets U and V of $x \in X$, there exists a semi open set W containing x such that $\lambda(W) \subseteq \lambda(U) \cap \lambda(V)$.

Definition 2.5.[8]. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and let A be a subset of X . Then:

- (1) The λ^* -closure of A ($\lambda Cl(A) = \lambda^* Cl(A)$) is the intersection of all λ^* -closed sets containing A .
- (2) The λ^* -interior of A ($\lambda Int(A) = \lambda^* Int(A)$) is the union of all λ^* -open sets of X contained in A .
- (3) A point $x \in X$, is said to be a λ^* -limit point of A if every λ^* -open set containing x contains a point of A different from x , and the set of all λ^* -limit points of A is called the λ^* -derived set of A denoted by $\lambda d(A) = \lambda^* d(A)$.

Proposition 2.6.[7],[16]. For each point $x \in X$, $x \in \lambda Cl(A)$ if and only if $V \cap A \neq \emptyset$, for every $V \in SO_\lambda(X)$ such that $x \in V$.

Proposition 2.7.[7],[16]

Let $\{A_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$ be any collection of λ^* -open sets in a topological space (X, τ) then $\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha$ is a λ^* -open set.

The following example shows that the intersection of two λ^* -open sets need not be λ^* -open.

Example 2.8.[7],[16]

Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, and $\tau = P(X)$. We define an s-operation $\lambda : SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ as:

$$\lambda(A) = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } A \neq \{a\}, \{b\} \\ X & \text{if } A = \{a\} \text{ or } \{b\} \end{cases} .$$

We have $\{a, b\}$ and $\{b, c\}$ are λ^* -open sets but $\{a, b\} \cap \{b, c\} = \{b\}$ is not λ^* -open.

From Proposition 2.7 and the above example we notice that the family of all λ^* -open sets of a space X is a supra topology and need not be a topology in general.

Example 2.9.[7],[16]

Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, and $\tau = P(X)$. We define an s-operation $\lambda : SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ as:

$$\lambda(A) = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } A = \{b\} \text{ or } \{a, b\} \text{ or } \{a, c\} \text{ or } \phi \\ X & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases} .$$

Then we can easily find the following families of sets:

$$SO(X) = P(X) = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}, X\};$$

$$SO_{\lambda}(X) = \{\phi, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X\};$$

Proposition 2.10. [7],[16]. Let λ be an s-regular s-operation. If A and B are λ^* -open sets in X , then $A \cap B$ is also a λ^* -open set.

Proposition 2.11. [7],[16]. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and $A \subseteq X$. Then A is a λ^* -closed subset of X if and only if $\lambda d(A) \subseteq A$.

Proposition 2.12.[7],[16]. For subsets A, B of a topological space (X, τ) , the following statements are true.

- (1) $A \subseteq \lambda Cl(A)$.
- (2) $\lambda Cl(A)$ is λ^* -closed set in X .
- (3) $\lambda Cl(A)$ is smallest λ^* -closed set which contain A .
- (4) A is λ^* -closed set if and only if $A = \lambda Cl(A)$.

(5) $\lambda Cl(\phi) = \phi$ and $\lambda Cl(X) = X$.

(6) If A and B are subsets of space X with $A \subseteq B$. Then $\lambda Cl(A) \subseteq \lambda Cl(B)$.

(7) For any subsets A, B of a space (X, τ) , $\lambda Cl(A) \cup \lambda Cl(B) \subseteq \lambda Cl(A \cup B)$.

(8) For any subsets A, B of a space (X, τ) , $\lambda Cl(A \cap B) \subseteq \lambda Cl(A) \cap \lambda Cl(B)$.

Proposition 2.13. [7],[16]. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and $A \subseteq X$. Then

$$\lambda Cl(A) = A \cup \lambda d(A).$$

Proposition 2.14. [7],[16]. For a subset A of a topological space (X, τ) ,

$$\lambda Int(A) = A \setminus \lambda d(X \setminus A).$$

Proposition 2.15. [7],[16]. For any subset A of a topological space X . The following statements are true.

(1) $X \setminus \lambda Int(A) = \lambda Cl(X \setminus A)$.

(2) $\lambda Cl(A) = X \setminus \lambda Int(X \setminus A)$.

(3) $X \setminus \lambda Cl(A) = \lambda Int(X \setminus A)$.

(4) $\lambda Int(A) = X \setminus \lambda Cl(X \setminus A)$.

Theorem 2.16. [7],[16]. Let A, B be subsets of X . If $\lambda : SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ is an s-regular s-operation, then:

(1) $\lambda Cl(A \cup B) = \lambda Cl(A) \cup \lambda Cl(B)$.

(2) $\lambda Int(A \cap B) = \lambda Int(A) \cap \lambda Int(B)$.

(3)

We can define the following example and remark:

Definition 2.17

Let (X, τ) be a topological space and let $x \in X$. A subset N of X is said to be a λ^* -neighbourhood (λ^* -nhd) of x if and only if there exists a λ^* -open set V such that $x \in V \subseteq N$. The family of all λ^* -neighbourhood of x , denoted by $\lambda N(x)$.

Remark 2.18

Every λ^* -open set in X which contain $x \in X$ is λ^* -neighbourhood of x , but conversely is not true, in Example 2.7, we have $\{b,c\}$ is λ^* -nhd of b , but it is not λ^* -open set

Definition 2.19

Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be two topological spaces. A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called:

- (1) Irresolute[17], if $f^{-1}(V)$ is semi open in X for every semi open set V of Y .
- (2) Pre continuous[13], if $f^{-1}(V)$ is pre open in X for every open set V of Y .
- (3) Semi continuous[12], if $f^{-1}(V)$ is a semi open set in X , for each open set V in Y .
- (4) α -continuous[18], if $f^{-1}(V)$ is α -open in X for every open set V of Y .
- (5) Contra-semi-continuous[4], if $f^{-1}(V)$ is semi closed in X for each open set V of Y .
- (6) α -irresolute[19], if $f^{-1}(V)$ is α -open set in X for each α -open set V of Y .
- (7) β -continuous[15], if $f^{-1}(V)$ is β -open in X for every open set V of Y .
- (8) β -irresolute[20], if $f^{-1}(V)$ is β -open in X for every β -open set V of Y .
- (9) Pre-irresolute[21], if $f^{-1}(V)$ is pre open set in X for each pre open set V of Y .

Proposition 2.20[9]

For any topological space (X, τ) , we have:

- (1) If $SO(X)$ is indiscrete, then $SO_\lambda(X)$ is also indiscrete.
- (2) If $SO_\lambda(X)$ is discrete, then $SO(X)$ is also discrete.

Definition 2.21.[7]. A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is said to be generalized λ -closed (briefly. g - λ -closed) if $\lambda Cl(A) \subseteq U$, whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is a λ -open set in (X, τ) .

We say that a subset B of X is generalized λ -open (briefly. g - λ -open) if its complement $X \setminus B$ is generalized λ -closed in (X, τ) .

In the following proposition we show every λ -closed subset of X is g - λ -closed.

Proposition 2.22.[7]. Every λ -closed set is g - λ -closed.

The reverse claim in the above proposition is not true in general. Next we give an example of a g - λ -closed set which is not λ -closed.

Example 2.23.[7]. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, and $\tau = P(X)$. We define an s-operation

$\lambda : SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ as $\lambda(A) = A$ if $A = \{a\}$ and $\lambda(A) = X$ otherwise. Then, if we let $A = \{a, b\}$, and since the only λ -open supersets of A is X , so A is g - λ -closed but it is not λ -closed.

Proposition 2.24.[7]. The intersection of a g - λ -closed set and a λ -closed set is always g - λ -closed.

We used [7],[16] for getting the following results.

We introduce the concept of $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous function and study some of its basic properties. Also we define $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -open(closed) functions, moreover some properties of these functions are studied. Throughout, (X, τ) , (Z, ρ) and (Y, σ) are topological spaces and λ, η and γ are s-operations on the family of semi open sets of the topological spaces respectively.

Definition 2.25

A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous, if for each x of X and each γ^* -open set V of Y containing $f(x)$ there exists a λ^* -open set U of X such that $x \in U$ and $f(U) \subseteq V$.

Theorem 2.26

Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function, then f is $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous if and only if for each γ^* -open set B in Y , $f^{-1}(B)$ is λ^* -open in X .

By the followings examples we can show that a $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous function is different from continuous (semi continuous, α -continuous, pre continuous, β -continuous, irresolute, α -irresolute, pre irresolute, β -irresolute) function in general.

Example 2.27

Let $X=Y=\{a,b,c\}$, $\tau = P(X)$ and $\sigma = P(Y)$. We define an s-operation

$\lambda : SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ by :

$$\lambda(A) = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } A = \{c\} \text{ or } \{a,b\} \text{ or } \{a,c\} \text{ or } \phi \\ X & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases} .$$

And $\gamma : SO(Y) \rightarrow P(Y)$ be a γ -identity s-operation. Then the identity function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is continuous, semi continuous, α -continuous, pre continuous, β -continuous, irresolute, α -irresolute, pre irresolute, β -irresolute, but it is not $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous since $\{b\}$ is γ^* -open set but $f^{-1}(\{b\}) = \{b\}$ is not λ^* -open.

Example 2.28

Let $X = \{a,b,c\}$, and $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a,c\}, \{b,c\}, X\}$. We define an s-operation

$\lambda : SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ by:

$$\lambda(A) = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } A = \{a\} \text{ or } \phi \\ X & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases} .$$

The function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \tau)$ defined by $f(b) = c, f(c) = b$ and $f(a) = a$ is $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous, but it is not continuous, semi continuous, α -continuous, pre continuous, β -continuous, irresolute, α -irresolute, pre irresolute and β -irresolute. Since $\{c\}$ is open set and $f^{-1}(\{c\}) = \{b\}$, but $\{b\}$ is not open, semi open, α -open, pre-open and β -open.

Proposition 2.29

- (1) If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous and (Y, σ) is indiscrete space, then f is semi continuous.
- (2) If $SO_\lambda(X)$ is discrete space, then any function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous.

Theorem 2.30

Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) f is $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous.
- (2) The inverse image of each γ^* -closed set in Y is a λ^* -closed set in X .
- (3) $\lambda Cl(f^{-1}(V)) \subseteq f^{-1}(\gamma Cl(V))$, for every $V \subseteq Y$.
- (4) $f(\lambda Cl(U)) \subseteq \gamma Cl(f(U))$, for every $U \subseteq X$;
- (5) $\lambda Bd(f^{-1}(V)) \subseteq f^{-1}(\gamma Bd(V))$, for every $V \subseteq Y$.
- (6) $f(\lambda d(U)) \subseteq \gamma Cl(f(U))$, for every $U \subseteq X$.
- (7) $f^{-1}(\gamma Int(V)) \subseteq \lambda Int(f^{-1}(V))$, for every $V \subseteq Y$.

Proposition 2.31

If the functions $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \rho)$ is $(\lambda, \eta)^*$ -continuous and $g : (Z, \rho) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is $(\eta, \gamma)^*$ -continuous, then $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous.

Definition 2.32

A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -open ($(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -closed), if for any λ^* -open (λ^* -closed) set A of (X, τ) , $f(A)$ is γ^* -open (γ^* -closed).

Theorem 2.33

Suppose that $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous and $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -closed function, then:

(1) For every g - λ^* -closed set A of (X, τ) the image $f(A)$ is a g - γ^* -closed set.

(2) For every g - γ^* -closed set B of (Y, σ) the inverse set $f^{-1}(B)$ is a g - λ^* -closed set.

Corollary 2.34

If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is a bijective function, then the following statement are equivalent.

(1) f is $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -homeomorphism.

(2) $f(\lambda Cl(A)) = \gamma Cl(f(A))$ for all $A \subseteq X$.

(3) $\lambda Cl(f^{-1}(B)) = f^{-1}(\gamma Cl(B))$ for all $B \subseteq Y$.

(4) $f(\lambda Int(A)) = \gamma Int(f(A))$ for all $A \subseteq X$.

(5) $\lambda Int(f^{-1}(B)) = f^{-1}(\gamma Int(B))$ for all $B \subseteq Y$.

3.1 Contra (λ, γ) -Continuous Function

In this section, we introduce the concept of contra $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous function and study some of its basic properties, also we compare it with $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous, and other types of functions. Moreover, we give a new property of functions which we call $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -interior property.

Definition 3.1

A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$, is said to be contra $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous if for every γ^* -open subset H of Y , $f^{-1}(H)$ is λ^* -closed in X .

Definition 3.2

For any s-operation $\lambda : SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ and any subset A of a space (X, τ) , the λ^* -kernel of A , denoted by $\lambda Ker(A)$, is defined as:

$$\lambda Ker(A) (\lambda^* Ker(A) [8]) = \bigcap \{ G \in SO_\lambda(X) : A \subseteq G \}.$$

Lemma 3.3

Let X be a space, and $\lambda : SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ be an s-operation and $A \subseteq X$. Then $\lambda Ker(A) = \{ x \in X : \lambda Cl(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \emptyset \}$.

Proof: Let $x \in \lambda Ker(A)$ and $\lambda Cl(\{x\}) \cap A = \emptyset$. Then $x \notin X \setminus \lambda Cl(\{x\})$, which is a λ^* -open set containing A . Thus $x \notin \lambda Ker(A)$, a contradiction.

Conversely, let $x \in X$ be such that $\lambda Cl(\{x\}) \cap A = \emptyset$. If possible, let $x \notin \lambda Ker(A)$. Then there exist a λ^* -open set G such that $x \notin G$ and $A \subseteq G$. Let $y \in \lambda Cl(\{x\}) \cap A$. This implies that $y \in \lambda Cl(\{x\})$ and $y \in G$, which gives $x \in G$, a contradiction.

Theorem 3.4

Let (X, τ) be a topological space, A and B be a subsets of X . Then:

- (1) $x \in \lambda Ker(A)$ if and only if $A \cap F \neq \emptyset$; for any λ^* -closed set F that contains x .
- (2) $A \subseteq \lambda Ker(A)$ and $A = \lambda Ker(A)$ if A is λ^* -open.
- (3) If $A \subseteq B$, then $\lambda Ker(A) \subseteq \lambda Ker(B)$.

Proof. Obvious.

Theorem 3.5

For a function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$, the following properties are equivalent

- (1) f is contra $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous.

(2) for every γ^* -closed subset F of Y , $f^{-1}(F)$ is λ^* -open in X .

(3) for each $x \in X$ and each γ^* -closed subset F of Y containing $f(x)$, there exists a λ^* -open set U of X containing x such that $f(U) \subseteq F$.

(4) $f(\lambda Cl(A)) \subseteq \gamma Ker(f(A))$ for every subset A of X .

(5) $\lambda Cl(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(\gamma Ker(B))$ for every subset B of Y .

Proof. The equivalences of (1) and (2) and (3) are obvious.

(2) \Rightarrow (4): Let A be any subset of X . Suppose that $y \notin \gamma Ker(f(A))$. Then by Lemma 3.3, there exists a γ^* -closed set F containing y such that $f(A) \cap F = \emptyset$. Thus, we have $A \cap f^{-1}(F) = \emptyset$ and since $f^{-1}(F)$ is λ^* -open we have $\lambda Cl(A) \cap f^{-1}(F) = \emptyset$. Therefore, we obtain $f(\lambda Cl(A)) \cap F = \emptyset$ hence $y \notin f(\lambda Cl(A))$. This implies that $f(\lambda Cl(A)) \subseteq \gamma Ker(f(A))$.

(4) \Rightarrow (5): Let B be any subset of Y . By (4), we have $f(\lambda Cl(f^{-1}(B))) \subseteq \gamma Ker(f(f^{-1}(B))) \subseteq \gamma Ker(B)$ and thus $\lambda Cl(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(\gamma Ker(B))$.

(5) \Rightarrow (1): Let V be any γ^* -open set of Y . Then, we have $\lambda Cl(f^{-1}(V)) \subseteq f^{-1}(\gamma Ker(V)) = f^{-1}(V)$ and $\lambda Cl(f^{-1}(V)) = f^{-1}(V)$. This shows that $f^{-1}(V)$ is λ^* -closed in X .

Remark 3.6

In fact contra $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuity and $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuity are independent .

Example 3.7

Let $X = \{a, b\} = Y$, $\tau = P(X)$ and $\sigma = P(Y)$. We define an s-operation $\lambda : SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ as:

$\lambda(A) = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } A = \{a\} \text{ or } \phi \\ X & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$. Also the s-operation $\gamma : SO(Y) \rightarrow P(Y)$ defined

as:

$\gamma(B) = \begin{cases} B & \text{if } B = \{b\} \text{ or } \phi \\ Y & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$. Then the identity function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ is

contra $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous but it is not $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous, since we have $\{b\}$ is λ^* -closed set but $f^{-1}(\{b\}) = \{b\} \notin SO_\lambda(X)$.

Example 3.8

Let $X = \{a, b\} = Y$, $\tau = P(X)$ and $\sigma = P(Y)$. We define an s-operation $\lambda : SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ by :

$\lambda(A) = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } A = \{a\} \text{ or } \phi \\ X & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$. Also the s-operation $\gamma : SO(Y) \rightarrow P(Y)$ defined as:

$\gamma(B) = \begin{cases} B & \text{if } B = \{b\} \text{ or } \phi \\ Y & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$. A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ defined as $f(a) = b$

and $f(b) = a$ is $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous but it is not contra $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous, since we have $\{a\}$ is λ^* -closed set but $f^{-1}(\{a\}) = \{b\} \notin SO_\lambda(X)$.

Definition 3.9

A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to satisfy the $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -interiority condition if $\lambda Int(f^{-1}(\gamma Cl(V))) \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$ for each γ^* -open set V of (Y, σ) .

Theorem 3.10

If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is a contra $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous function and satisfies the $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -interiority condition, then f is $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous.

Proof. Let V be any γ^* -open subset of Y . Since f is $\text{contra}(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous and $\gamma Cl(V)$ is γ^* -closed, by Theorem 3.5, $f^{-1}(\gamma Cl(V))$ is λ^* -open in X . By the hypothesis on f , $f^{-1}(V) \subseteq f^{-1}(\gamma Cl(V)) = \lambda Int(f^{-1}(\gamma Cl(V))) \subseteq \lambda Int(f^{-1}(V)) \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$. Therefore, we obtain $\lambda Int(f^{-1}(V)) = f^{-1}(V)$ and consequently $f^{-1}(V)$ is λ^* -open set in X . This shows that f is a $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous function.

Through the following examples we can show that $\text{contra}(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous and $\text{contra-semi-continuity}$ are independent concepts :

Example 3.11

Let $Y = X = \{a, b, c\}$, and $\tau = P(X)$. We define an s-operation $\lambda : SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ as:

$$\lambda(A) = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } A = \{a\} \text{ or } \{c\} \text{ or } \phi \\ X & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases} . \text{ If } \sigma = P(Y) \text{ and } \gamma \text{ is } \gamma\text{-identity s-operation, then}$$

the function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$, defined by $f(a) = c$ and $f(b) = f(c) = b$ is $\text{contra-semi-continuous}$, but it is not $\text{contra}(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous.

Example 3.12

Let $X = \{a, b\} = Y$, with spaces $\tau = \{\phi, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{b\}, Y\}$. We define an s-operation $\lambda : SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ as $\lambda(A) = X$ for all $\phi \neq A \subseteq X$ and an s-operation $\gamma : SO(Y) \rightarrow P(Y)$ as $\gamma(B) = Y$ for all $\phi \neq B \subseteq X$. Then the identity function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ is $\text{contra}(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous but it is not $\text{contra-semi-continuous}$.

Definition 3.13

A topological space (X, τ) is said to be locally λ^* -indiscrete if every λ^* -open set of X is λ^* -closed in X .

Through the following examples we can show that the property locally λ^* -indiscrete and locally indiscrete are independent.

Example 3.14

Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, and $\tau = P(X)$. We define an s-operation $\lambda : SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ as:

$$\lambda(A) = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } A = \{a\} \text{ or } \{c\} \text{ or } \phi \\ X & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}. \text{ Clearly } (X, \tau) \text{ is locally indiscrete, but it is}$$

not locally λ^* -indiscrete, because $\{a\} \in SO_\lambda(X)$ but $\{a\} \notin SC_\lambda(X)$.

Example 3.15

Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, and $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$. Define an s-operation $\lambda : SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ as $\lambda(A) = X$ for all $\phi \neq A \subseteq X$. Clearly (X, τ) is locally λ^* -indiscrete, but it is not locally indiscrete, because $\{a\}$ is an open set but it is not closed.

Theorem 3.16

If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is a function and X is locally λ^* -indiscrete, then f is $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous if and only if f is contra $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous.

Proof. Let H be any γ^* -open set in Y . Then by hypothesis $f^{-1}(H)$ λ^* -open set in X , from the Definition 3.13, $f^{-1}(H)$ λ^* -closed set in X . Hence f is contra $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous.

Conversely, Let B be any γ^* -closed set in Y . Then $f^{-1}(B)$ is a λ^* -open set in X by Theorem 3.5(2). Since X is locally λ^* -indiscrete, so $f^{-1}(B)$ is a λ^* -closed set in X . Hence f is $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous by Theorem 2.30(2).

The composition of two contra $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous functions need not be contra $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous.

Example 3.17

Let $X = \{a, b\} = Y$, $\tau = P(X)$ and $\sigma = P(Y)$. We define an s-operation $\lambda : SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ such that:

$$\lambda(A) = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } A = \{a\} \text{ or } \phi \\ X & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases} . \text{ Also the s-operation } \gamma : SO(Y) \rightarrow P(Y) \text{ defined as:}$$

$$\gamma(B) = \begin{cases} B & \text{if } B = \{b\} \text{ or } \phi \\ Y & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases} .$$

Then the identity functions $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ and $g : (X, \sigma) \rightarrow (X, \tau)$ are contra $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous but $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \tau)$ is not contra $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous.

Theorem 3.18

Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \rho)$ and $g : (Z, \rho) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be two functions. Then:

- (1) $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is contra $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous, if g is $(\eta, \gamma)^*$ -continuous and f is contra $(\lambda, \eta)^*$ -continuous.
- (2) $g \circ f$ is contra $(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous, if g is contra $(\eta, \gamma)^*$ -continuous and f is $(\lambda, \eta)^*$ -continuous.

(3) $g \circ f$ is $\text{contra}(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous, if g and f are $(\eta, \gamma)^*$ -continuous and $(\lambda, \eta)^*$ -continuous respectively and (Z, ρ) is locally η^* -indiscrete.

Proof. (1) Let $V \in SO_\gamma(Y)$. Then $g^{-1}(V) \in SO_\eta(Z)$ and $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) \in SO_\lambda(X)$ since g is $(\eta, \gamma)^*$ -continuous and f is $\text{contra}(\lambda, \eta)^*$ -continuous. It follows that $(g \circ f)^{-1} \in SC_\lambda(X)$. Hence $g \circ f$ is $\text{contra}(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous.

(2) Let $V \in SO_\gamma(Y)$, then $g^{-1}(V) \in SC_\eta(Z)$ and $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) \in SC_\lambda(X)$ since g is $\text{contra}(\eta, \gamma)^*$ -continuous and f is $(\lambda, \eta)^*$ -continuous. It follows that $(g \circ f)^{-1} \in SC_\lambda(X)$. Hence $g \circ f$ is $\text{contra}(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous.

(3) Let $V \in SO_\gamma(Y)$, then $g^{-1}(V) \in SO_\eta(Z)$ and $g^{-1}(V) \in SC_\eta(Z)$ since g is $(\eta, \gamma)^*$ -continuous and (Z, ρ) is locally η^* -indiscrete, then $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) \in SO_\lambda(X)$ since f is $(\lambda, \eta)^*$ -continuous. Hence $g \circ f$ is $\text{contra}(\lambda, \gamma)^*$ -continuous.

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