

SOME NEW CONTRA-CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS

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ABSTRACT

In this paper, the notion of $\delta g\beta$ -closed sets in topological spaces is applied to study new class of functions called contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous and almost contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous functions as a new generalization of contra continuity and obtain their characterizations and properties.

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1. INTRODUCTION

In 1996, J. Dontchev [8] introduced the concept of contra continuous functions. Later, M. Caldas and S. Jafari [9] introduced and studied contra β -continuous functions and K. Amutha *et al.* [4] introduced and obtained the properties of contra $g\beta$ -continuous functions.

2. PRELIMINARIES

The following definitions, which are useful in the sequel are recalled.

Definition 2.1: A subset A of a topological space X is called

- (i) β -closed [1] if $\text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(A))) \subseteq A$.
- (ii) b -closed [2] if $\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(A)) \subseteq A$.
- (iii) regular-closed [18] if $A = \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$.
- (iv) α -closed [13] if $\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(A))) \subseteq A$.
- (v) semi-closed [11] if $\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)) \subseteq A$.
- (vi) δ -closed [20] if $A = \text{cl}_\delta(A)$ where $\text{cl}_\delta(A) = \{x \in X : \text{int}(\text{cl}(U)) \cap A \neq \Phi, U \in \tau \text{ and } x \in U\}$.
- (vii) $\delta g\beta$ -closed [7] if $\beta \text{cl}(A) \subseteq G$ whenever $A \subseteq G$ and G is δ -open in X .

The complements of the above mentioned closed sets are their respective open sets.

The β -closure of a subset A of X is the intersection of all β -closed sets containing A and is denoted by $\beta \text{cl}(A)$.

Definition 2.2: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ from a topological space X into a topological space Y is called contra continuous [8] (resp, contra β -continuous [9], contra $g\beta$ -continuous [4], contra $g\delta s$ -continuous [6], contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous [5] and $\delta g\beta$ -continuous [7]) if $f^{-1}(G)$ is closed (resp, β -closed, $g\beta$ -closed, $g\delta s$ -closed, $\delta g\beta$ -closed and $\delta g\beta$ -open) in X for every open set G of Y .

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Definition 2.3[7] A topological space X is said to be

- (1) $T_{\delta g\beta}$ -space if every $\delta g\beta$ -closed subset of X is closed.
- (2) $\delta g\beta T_{1/2}$ -space if every $\delta g\beta$ -closed subset of X is β -closed.

3. CONTRA $\delta g\beta$ -CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS

Definition 3.1: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is called contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous if the inverse image of open set in Y is $\delta g\beta$ -closed in X .

Theorem 3.2: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous if and only if $f^{-1}(G)$ is $\delta g\beta$ -open in X for every closed set G in Y .

Theorem 3.3:

- (i) Every contra β -continuous function is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous function.
- (ii) Every contra $g\beta$ -continuous function is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous function.
- (iii) Every contra $g\delta s$ -continuous function is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous function.
- (iv) Every contra δgb -continuous function is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous function.

Proof: Follows from definitions. However, converse does not hold.

Example 3.4: Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $Y = \{a, b, c\}$. Let $\tau = \{X, \Phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{X, \Phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ be topologies on X and Y respectively. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function defined by $f(a) = a$, $f(b) = c$ and $f(c) = d$, $f(d) = b$. Then f is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous but not contra $g\beta$ -continuous.

Example 3.5: Let $X = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$ and $Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$. Let $\tau = \{X, \Phi, \{a, b\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, b, c, d\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{X, \Phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$ be topologies on X and Y respectively. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function defined by $f(a) = a = f(d)$, $f(b) = b = f(e)$ and $f(c) = c$. Then f is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous but not contra $g\delta s$ -continuous.

Example 3.6: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$. Let $\tau = \{X, \Phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{X, \Phi, \{a\}\}$ be topologies on X and Y respectively. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function defined by $f(a) = a = f(b)$ and $f(c) = c$. Then f is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous but not contra δgb -continuous function.

Theorem 3.7: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous with X as $T_{\delta g\beta}$ -space, then f is contra continuous.

Proof: Suppose X is $T_{\delta g\beta}$ -space and f is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous. Let V be an open set in Y , by hypothesis $f^{-1}(V)$ is $\delta g\beta$ -closed in X and hence $f^{-1}(V)$ is closed in X since X is $T_{\delta g\beta}$ -space. Therefore, f is contra continuous.

Converse is obvious.

Theorem 3.8 If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous with X as $\delta g\beta T_{1/2}$ -space then f is contra β -continuous.

Proof: Suppose X is $\delta g\beta T_{1/2}$ -space and f is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous. Let G be an open set in Y by hypothesis $f^{-1}(G)$ is $\delta g\beta$ -closed in X and hence $f^{-1}(G)$ is β -closed in X because X is $\delta g\beta T_{1/2}$ -space. Therefore, f is contra β -continuous.

Converse is obvious.

Theorem 3.9: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous with X is semi-regular space, then f is contra $g\beta$ -continuous.

Proof: Follows from the fact that every open set is δ -open in semi-regular space.

Definition 3.10[10]: A space X is submaximal and extremally disconnected if every β -open set is open.

Theorem 3.11: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous with X is submaximal and extremally disconnected space, then f is contra $g\delta s$ -continuous.

Theorem 3.12: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous with X is submaximal and extremally disconnected space, then f is contra δgb -continuous.

Definition 3.13: A space X is called locally $\delta g\beta$ -indiscrete if every $\delta g\beta$ -open set is closed in X .

Theorem 3.14: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous and X is locally $\delta g\beta$ -indiscrete space, then f is continuous.

Proof: Let G be a closed set in Y . Since f is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous and X is locally $\delta g\beta$ -indiscrete space, then $f^{-1}(G)$ is a closed set in X . Hence f is continuous.

Definition 3.15[14]: A space X is called locally indiscrete if every open set is closed in X .

Theorem 3.16: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous preclosed surjection and X is $T_{\delta g\beta}$ -space then Y is locally indiscrete.

Proof: Let V be an open set in Y . Since f is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous and X is $T_{\delta g\beta}$ -space then $f^{-1}(V)$ is closed in X . Since f is preclosed, then V is preclosed in Y . We have $cl(V) = cl(int(V)) \subseteq V$ and hence Y is indiscrete.

Theorem 3.17: If f is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous, then for each $x \in X$ and each closed set F of Y containing $f(x)$, there exists an $\delta g\beta$ -open set G in X containing x such that $f(G) \subseteq F$.

Proof: Let F be a closed set in Y containing $f(x)$ then $x \in f^{-1}(F)$. By hypothesis, $f^{-1}(F)$ is $\delta g\beta$ -open set in X containing x . Let $G = f^{-1}(F)$, then $f(G) = f(f^{-1}(F)) \subseteq F$.

Theorem 3.18: Suppose that $\delta g\beta C(X)$ is closed under arbitrary intersections. Then the following are equivalent for a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$:

- (i) f is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous.
- (ii) For each $x \in X$ and each closed set B of Y containing $f(x)$, there exists an $\delta g\beta$ -open set A in X containing x such that $f(A) \subseteq B$.
- (iii) For each $x \in X$ and each open set G of Y not containing $f(x)$, there exists an $\delta g\beta$ -closed set H in X not containing x such that $f^{-1}(G) \subseteq H$.

Proof:

(i) \rightarrow (ii): Let B be a closed set in Y containing $f(x)$, then $x \in f^{-1}(B)$. By (i), $f^{-1}(B)$ is $\delta g\beta$ -open set in X containing x . Let $A = f^{-1}(B)$, then $f(A) = f(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq B$.

(ii) \rightarrow (i): Let F be a closed set in Y containing $f(x)$, then $x \in f^{-1}(F)$. From (ii), there exists $\delta g\beta$ -open set G_x in X containing x such that $f(G_x) \subseteq F$ which implies $G_x \subseteq f^{-1}(F)$. Thus $f^{-1}(F) = \cup \{G_x : x \in f^{-1}(F)\}$, which is $\delta g\beta$ -open. Hence $f^{-1}(F)$ is $\delta g\beta$ -open set in X .

(ii) \rightarrow (iii): Obvious.

Theorem 3.19: If $A \subseteq X$ is regular open, then it is β -closed.

Theorem 3.20[7]: If $A \subseteq X$ is both δ -open and $\delta g\beta$ -closed then it is β -closed.

Theorem 3.21: $A \subseteq X$ is semi-open if and only if $cl(int(A)) = cl(A)$.

Lemma 3.22[12]: For a subset A of a space X , the following are equivalent:

- (i) A is regular open.
- (ii) A is α -open and β -closed.
- (iii) A is open and semi-closed.
- (iv) A is open and β -closed.
- (v) A is pre-open and semi-closed.

Lemma 3.23: For a subset A of a space X , the following are equivalent:

- (i) A is regular open.
- (ii) A is δ -open and semi-closed.
- (iii) A is δ -open and β -closed.

Lemma 3.24[4]: For a subset A of a space X , the following are equivalent:

- (i) A is open and $g\beta$ -closed.
- (ii) A is regular open.

Definition 3.25[3]: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ said to be completely-continuous if $f^{-1}(G)$ is regular-open in X for every open set G of Y .

Lemma 3.26: For a subset A of a space X , the following are equivalent:

- (i) A is regular open.
- (ii) A is open and $g\beta$ -closed.
- (iii) A is δ -open and β -closed.
- (iv) A is δ -open and $g\delta s$ -closed.
- (v) A is δ -open and $\delta g\beta$ -closed.

Proof: Follows from Lemma 3.22, Lemma 3.23 and Lemma 3.24.

As a consequence of the above lemma 3.26, we have the following result:

Theorem 3.27: For a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$, the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) f is completely continuous.
- (ii) f is contra β -continuous and α -continuous.
- (iii) f is contra $g\beta$ -continuous and continuous.
- (iv) f is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous and super-continuous.
- (v) f is contra $g\delta s$ -continuous and super-continuous

Definition 3.28[19]: A set $A \subseteq X$ is said to be Q -set if $\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)) = \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$.

Definition 3.29 [19]: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is Q -continuous if $f^{-1}(V)$ is Q -set in X for every open set V of Y .

Theorem 3.30: For a subset A of a space X , the following are equivalent:

- (i) A is clopen.
- (ii) A is α -open, Q -set and β -closed.
- (iii) A is open, Q -set and $g\beta$ -closed.
- (iv) A is δ -open, Q -set and $\delta g\beta$ -closed.

Theorem 3.31: The following statements are equivalent for a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$:

- (i) f is perfectly continuous.
- (ii) f is δ -continuous, Q -continuous and contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous.
- (iii) f is continuous, Q -continuous and contra β -continuous.

Recall that for a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$, the subset $\{(x, f(x)): x \in X\} \subseteq X \times Y$ is called the graph of f and is denoted by $G(f)$.

Definition 3.32: The graph $G(f)$ of a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be contra $\delta g\beta$ -closed if for each $(x, y) \in (X \times Y) - G(f)$, there exists $U \in \delta g\beta O(X, x)$ and $V \in C(Y, y)$ such that $(U \times V) \cap G(f) = \emptyset$.

Theorem 3.33: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function and $g: X \rightarrow X \times Y$ the graph function of f , defined by $g(x) = (x, f(x))$ for each $x \in X$. If g is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous, then f is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous.

Proof: Let U be an open set in Y , then $X \times U$ is an open set in $X \times Y$. Since g is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous. It follows that $f^{-1}(U) = g^{-1}(X \times U)$ is $\delta g\beta$ -closed in X . Hence f is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous.

Theorem 3.34: If A and B are $\delta g\beta$ -closed sets in submaximal and extremally disconnected space X , then $A \cup B$ is $\delta g\beta$ -closed in X .

Proof: Let $A \cup B \subseteq G$ where G is δ -open in X . Since $A \subseteq G$, $B \subseteq G$ and A and B are $\delta g\beta$ -closed sets, then $\beta \text{cl}(A) \subseteq G$ and $\beta \text{cl}(B) \subseteq G$. As X is submaximal and extremally disconnected, $\beta \text{cl}(M) = \text{cl}(M)$ for any $M \subseteq X$.

Therefore, $\beta \text{cl}(A \cup B) = \beta \text{cl}(A) \cup \beta \text{cl}(B) \subseteq G$ and hence $A \cup B$ is $\delta g\beta$ -closed.

Corollary 3.35: If A and B are $\delta g\beta$ -open sets in submaximal and extremally disconnected space X , then $A \cap B$ is $\delta g\beta$ -open in X .

Theorem 3.36 [7]: Let A be a subset of a space X . Then $x \in \delta g\beta \text{cl}(A)$ if and only if $G \cap A \neq \emptyset$ for every $\delta g\beta$ -open set G containing x .

Theorem 3.37: Suppose that $\delta\text{g}\beta\text{O}(X)$ is a topology on X . If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: X \rightarrow Y$ are contra $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -continuous and Y is Urysohn, then $K = \{x \in X: f(x) = g(x)\}$ $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -closed in X .

Proof: Let $x \in X - K$. Then $f(x) \neq g(x)$. Since Y is Urysohn, there exist open sets U and V such that $f(x) \in U$, $g(x) \in V$ and $\text{cl}(U) \cap \text{cl}(V) = \Phi$. Also f and g are contra $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -continuous, $f^{-1}(\text{cl}(U))$ and $g^{-1}(\text{cl}(V))$ are $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -open sets in X . Let $C = f^{-1}(\text{cl}(U))$ and $D = g^{-1}(\text{cl}(V))$. Then C and D are $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -open sets containing x . Set $E = C \cap D$, then E is $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -open set in X . Hence $f(E) \cap g(E) = f(C \cap D) \cap g(C \cap D) \subseteq f(C) \cap g(D) = \text{cl}(U) \cap \text{cl}(V) = \Phi$. Therefore, $E \cap K = \Phi$. By Theorem 3.36, $x \notin \delta\text{g}\beta\text{cl}(K)$. Hence K is $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -closed in X .

Definition 3.38: A space X is called $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -connected provided that X is not the union of two disjoint nonempty $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -open sets.

Theorem 3.39: If f is a contra $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -continuous function from a $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -connected space X onto any space Y , then Y is not a discrete space.

Proof: Since f is contra $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -continuous and X is $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -connected space. Suppose Y is a discrete space. Let V be a proper non empty open and closed subset of Y . Then $f^{-1}(V)$ is proper nonempty $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -open and $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -closed subset of X , which contradicts the fact that X is $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -connected space. Hence Y is not a discrete space.

Theorem 3.40: If a surjective function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is contra $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -continuous with X is $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -connected space, then Y is connected.

Proof: Suppose Y is a not connected space. Then there exist disjoint open sets U and V in Y such that $Y = U \cup V$. Therefore, U and V are clopen in Y . Since f is contra $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -continuous, $f^{-1}(U)$ and $f^{-1}(V)$ are $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -open sets in X . Further f is surjective implies $f^{-1}(U)$ and $f^{-1}(V)$ are nonempty disjoint and $X = f^{-1}(U) \cup f^{-1}(V)$. This contradicts the fact that X is $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -connected space. Therefore, Y is connected.

Theorem 3.41: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is contra $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -continuous, X is $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -connected and Y is T_1 -space, then f is constant.

Proof: Since Y is T_1 -space, $U = \{f^{-1}(y): y \in Y\}$ is a disjoint $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -open partition of X . If $|U| \geq 2$, then X is the union of two nonempty $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -open sets. This is contradiction to the fact that X is $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -connected. Therefore $|U| = 1$ and hence f is constant.

Definition 3.42: A topological space X is said to be $\delta\text{g}\beta$ - T_2 space if for any pair of distinct points x and y , there exist disjoint $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -open sets G and H such that $x \in G$ and $y \in H$.

Theorem 3.43: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be contra $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -continuous injective function from a space X into Urysohn space Y , then X is $\delta\text{g}\beta$ - T_2 .

Proof: Let x and y be any distinct points in X , then $f(x) \neq f(y)$, there exist open sets V and W in Y containing $f(x)$ and $f(y)$ respectively, such that $\text{cl}(V) \cap \text{cl}(W) = \Phi$. Since f is contra $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -continuous, then there exist $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -open sets M and N in X such that $f(M) \subseteq \text{cl}(V)$ and $f(N) \subseteq \text{cl}(W)$ we have $M \cap N = \Phi$. Hence X is $\delta\text{g}\beta$ - T_2 .

Remark 3.44: The composition of two contra $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -continuous functions need not be contra $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -continuous as seen from the following examples.

Example 3.45: Let $X = Y = Z = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{X, \Phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$, $\sigma = \{Y, \Phi, \{a\}\}$ and $\eta = \{Z, \Phi, \{b, c\}\}$ be topologies on X, Y and Z respectively. Define a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ as $f(a) = a$, $f(b) = b$ and $f(c) = c$ and a function $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ as $g(a) = b$, $g(b) = c$ and $g(c) = a$. Then f and g are contra $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -continuous but $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$ is not contra $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -continuous, since there exists a open set $\{b, c\}$ in Z such that $(g \circ f)^{-1}[\{b, c\}] = \{a, b\}$ is not $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -closed in X .

Theorem 3.46: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ be any two functions.

- (i) If f is contra $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -continuous and g is continuous then $g \circ f$ is contra $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -continuous.
- (ii) If f is contra $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -continuous and g is contra continuous then $g \circ f$ is $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -continuous.
- (iii) If f is $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -continuous and g is contra continuous then $g \circ f$ is contra $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -continuous.
- (iv) If f is $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -irresolute and g is contra $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -continuous then $g \circ f$ is contra $\delta\text{g}\beta$ -continuous.

Proof: (i) Let $h = g \circ f$ and V be an open set in Z .

Since g is continuous, $g^{-1}(V)$ is open in Y . Therefore $f^{-1}[g^{-1}(V)] = h^{-1}(V)$ is $\delta g\beta$ -closed in X because f is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous. Hence $g \circ f$ is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous.

The proofs of (ii), (iii) and (iv) are analogous to (i) with the obvious changes.

Theorem 3.47: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ be $\delta g\beta$ -continuous. If Y is $T_{\delta g\beta}$ -space, then $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$ is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous.

Proof: Let V be any open set in Z . Since g is $\delta g\beta$ -continuous, $g^{-1}(V)$ is $\delta g\beta$ -open in Y and since Y is $T_{\delta g\beta}$ -space, $g^{-1}(V)$ is open in Y . Since f is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous $f^{-1}[g^{-1}(V)] = (g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$ is $\delta g\beta$ -closed set in X . Therefore, $g \circ f$ is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous.

4. ALMOST CONTRA $\delta g\beta$ -CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS

In this section, almost contra delta generalized β -continuous functions are introduced and studied.

Definition 4.1: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is called almost contra delta generalized β -continuous if $f^{-1}(G)$ is $\delta g\beta$ -closed in X for every regular open set G in Y .

Theorem 4.2: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is almost contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous if and only if for every regular closed set F of Y , $f^{-1}(F)$ is $\delta g\beta$ -open set of X .

Theorem 4.3: Every contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous function is almost contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous.

Proof: Follows from the fact that every regular-open set is open.

The converse of the Theorem 4.3 need to be true in general as seen from the following example.

Example 4.4: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ with $\tau = \{X, \Phi, \{a\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{X, \Phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ be topologies on X and Y respectively. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function defined by $f(a) = a$, $f(b) = b$ and $f(c) = c$. Then f is almost contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous function but not contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous, because for the open set $\{b\}$ in Y and $f^{-1}(\{b\}) = \{a\}$ is not $\delta g\beta$ -closed in X .

Theorem 4.5: The following are equivalent for a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$:

- (i) f is almost contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous.
- (ii) $f^{-1}(\text{cl}(G))$ is $\delta g\beta$ -open set in X for every β -open subset G of Y .
- (iii) $f^{-1}(\text{cl}(G))$ is $\delta g\beta$ -open set in X for every semi-open subset G of Y .
- (iv) $f^{-1}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(G)))$ is $\delta g\beta$ -closed set in X for every pre-open subset G of Y .

Proof:

(i) \rightarrow (ii): Let G be β -open set of Y . It follows from Theorem 2.4 of [3] that $\text{cl}(G)$ is regular closed. Then $f^{-1}(\text{cl}(G))$ is $\delta g\beta$ -open set in X .

(ii) \rightarrow (iii): Obvious.

(iii) \rightarrow (iv): Let G be a pre-open set of Y . Then $Y - \text{int}(\text{cl}(G))$ is regular closed and hence it is semi-open. Then, we have $f^{-1}(\text{cl}(Y - \text{int}(\text{cl}(G)))) = f^{-1}(Y - \text{int}(\text{cl}(G))) = X - f^{-1}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(G)))$ is $\delta g\beta$ -open set in X . Hence $f^{-1}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(G)))$ is $\delta g\beta$ -closed set in X .

(iv) \rightarrow (v): Let G be regular-open set of Y . Then G is pre-open in X and hence $f^{-1}(G) = f^{-1}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(G)))$ is $\delta g\beta$ -closed set in X .

Theorem 4.6[16]: For a subset A of a space X , the following properties hold:

- (i) $\alpha \text{cl}(A) = \text{cl}(A)$ for every β -open subset A of X .
- (ii) $\text{pcl}(A) = \text{cl}(A)$ for every semi-open subset A of X .
- (iii) $\text{scl}(A) = \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$ for every pre-open subset A of X .

Theorem 4.7: The following are equivalent for a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$:

- (i) f is almost contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous.
- (ii) for every β -open subset G of Y , $f^{-1}(\alpha \text{cl}(G))$ is $\delta g\beta$ -open set in X .
- (iii) for every semi-open subset G of Y , $f^{-1}(\text{pcl}(G))$ is $\delta g\beta$ -open set in X .
- (iv) for every pre-open subset G of Y , $f^{-1}(\text{scl}(G))$ is $\delta g\beta$ -closed set in X .

Definition 4.8 [16]: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be R-map if $f^{-1}(V)$ is regular open in X for each regular open set V of Y .

Definition 4.9[15]: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be perfectly continuous if $f^{-1}(V)$ is clopen in X for each regular open set V of Y .

Theorem 4.10: For two functions $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$, let $g \circ f: Y \rightarrow Z$ is composition function. Then the following properties hold:

- (i) If f is almost contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous and g is an R-map, then $g \circ f$ is almost contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous.
- (ii) If f is almost contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous and g is perfectly continuous, then $g \circ f$ is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous.
- (iii) If f is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous and g is almost continuous, then $g \circ f$ is almost contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous.

Proof: (i) Let V be any regular open set in Z . Since g is an R-map, $g^{-1}(V)$ is regular open in Y . Since f is almost contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous, $f^{-1}[g^{-1}(V)] = (g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$ is $\delta g\beta$ -closed set in X . Therefore, $g \circ f$ is almost contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous.

Proofs of (ii) and (iii) are similar to (i).

Theorem 4.11: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ be $\delta g\beta$ -continuous. If Y is $T_{\delta g\beta}$ -space, then $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$ is almost contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous.

Proof: Let V be any regular open and hence open set in Z . Since g is $\delta g\beta$ -continuous $g^{-1}(V)$ is $\delta g\beta$ -open in Y . Since f is contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous, $f^{-1}[g^{-1}(V)] = (g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$ is $\delta g\beta$ -closed set in X . Therefore, $g \circ f$ is almost contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous.

Definition 4.12: A space X is called locally $\delta g\beta$ -indiscrete if every $\delta g\beta$ -open set is closed in X .

Theorem 4.13: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is almost contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous and X is locally $\delta g\beta$ -indiscrete space then f is almost continuous.

Proof: Let U be any regular open set of Y . Since f is almost contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous $f^{-1}(U)$ is $\delta g\beta$ -closed set in X . As X is locally $\delta g\beta$ -indiscrete space, $f^{-1}(U)$ is an open set in X . Therefore, f is almost continuous.

Theorem 4.14[7]: The intersection of a $\delta g\beta$ -closed set and a δ -closed set of X is always $\delta g\beta$ -closed.

Theorem 4.15: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is almost contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous, and A is δ -closed in X then the restriction $(f/A): A \rightarrow Y$ is almost contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous.

Proof: Let V be any regular open set of Y . Then $f^{-1}(V)$ is $\delta g\beta$ -closed set in X . By Theorem 4.14, $(f/A)^{-1}(V) = A \cap f^{-1}(V)$ is $\delta g\beta$ -closed it follows that (f/A) is almost contra $\delta g\beta$ -continuous.

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