

**On Pre-generalized  $c^*$ -open sets  
and Pre-generalized  $c^*$ -open maps in topological spaces**

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**ABSTRACT**

*The aim of this paper is to introduce the notion of pre-generalized  $c^*$ -open sets in topological spaces and study their basic properties. Further the notion of pre-generalized  $c^*$ -open maps are introduced and their basic properties are discussed.*

**Key words:** *pgc\*-open sets and pgc\*-open maps.*

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**1. INTRODUCTION**

In 1963, Norman Levine introduced semi-open sets in topological spaces. Also in 1970, he introduced the concept of generalized closed sets. Bhattacharya and Lahiri introduced and study semi-generalized closed (briefly, sg-closed) sets in 1987. Palaniappan and Rao introduced regular generalized closed (briefly, rg-closed) sets in 1993. In the year 1996, Andrijevic introduced and studied b-open sets. Gnanambal introduced generalized pre-regular closed (briefly gpr-closed) sets in 1997. In this paper we introduce pre-generalized  $c^*$ -open sets and pre-generalized  $c^*$ -open maps in topological spaces and study their basic properties.

Section 2 deals with the preliminary concepts. In section 3, pre-generalized  $c^*$ -open sets are introduced and their basic properties are discussed. The pre-generalized  $c^*$ -open maps in topological spaces are introduced in section 4.

**2. PRELIMINARIES**

Throughout this paper  $X$  denotes a topological space on which no separation axiom is assumed. For any subset  $A$  of  $X$ ,  $cl(A)$  denotes the closure of  $A$ ,  $int(A)$  denotes the interior of  $A$ ,  $pcl(A)$  denotes the pre-closure of  $A$  and  $bcl(A)$  denotes the b-closure of  $A$ . Further  $X \setminus A$  denotes the complement of  $A$  in  $X$ . The following definitions are very useful in the subsequent sections.

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

- i. a semi-open set [8] if  $A \subseteq cl(int(A))$  and a semi-closed set if  $int(cl(A)) \subseteq A$ .
- ii. a pre-open set [16] if  $A \subseteq int(cl(A))$  and a pre-closed set if  $cl(int(A)) \subseteq A$ .
- iii. a regular-open set [18] if  $A = int(cl(A))$  and a regular-closed set if  $A = cl(int(A))$ .
- iv. A  $\gamma$ -open set [10] (b-open set[1]) if  $A \subseteq cl(int(A)) \cup int(cl(A))$  and a  $\gamma$ -closed set (b-closed set) if  $int(cl(A)) \cap cl(int(A)) \subseteq A$ .
- v. a  $\pi$ -open set [22] if  $A$  is the finite union of regular-open sets and the complement of  $\pi$ -open set is said to be  $\pi$ -closed.

**Definition 2.2:** [12] A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$  is said to be a  $c^*$ -open set if  $int(cl(A)) \subseteq A \subseteq cl(int(A))$ .

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**Definition 2.3:** A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$  is called

- i. a generalized closed set (briefly,  $g$ -closed) [9] if  $cl(A) \subseteq H$  whenever  $A \subseteq H$  and  $H$  is open in  $X$ .
- ii. a regular-generalized closed set (briefly,  $rg$ -closed) [17] if  $cl(A) \subseteq H$  whenever  $A \subseteq H$  and  $H$  is regular-open in  $X$ .
- iii. a generalized pre-regular closed set (briefly,  $gpr$ -closed) [6] if  $pcl(A) \subseteq H$  whenever  $A \subseteq H$  and  $H$  is regular-open in  $X$ .
- iv. a regular generalized  $b$ -closed set (briefly,  $rgb$ -closed) [15] if  $bcl(A) \subseteq H$  whenever  $A \subseteq H$  and  $H$  is regular-open in  $X$ .
- v. a regular weakly generalized closed set (briefly,  $rwg$ -closed) [20] if  $cl(int(A)) \subseteq H$  whenever  $A \subseteq H$  and  $H$  is regular-open in  $X$ .
- vi. a semi-generalized  $b$ -closed set (briefly,  $sgb$ -closed) [7] if  $bcl(A) \subseteq H$  whenever  $A \subseteq H$  and  $H$  is semi-open in  $X$ .
- vii. a weakly closed (briefly,  $w$ -closed) set [19] (equivalently,  $\hat{g}$ -closed set [21]) if  $cl(A) \subseteq H$  whenever  $A \subseteq H$  and  $H$  is semi-open in  $X$ .
- viii. a semi-generalized closed set (briefly,  $sg$ -closed) [3] if  $scl(A) \subseteq H$  whenever  $A \subseteq H$  and  $H$  is semi-open in  $X$ .
- ix. a generalized semi-closed (briefly,  $gs$ -closed) set [2] if  $scl(A) \subseteq H$  whenever  $A \subseteq H$  and  $H$  is open in  $X$ .
- x. a  $(gs)^*$ -closed set [5] if  $cl(A) \subseteq H$  whenever  $A \subseteq H$  and  $H$  is  $gs$ -open in  $X$ .

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

**Definition 2.4:** [12] A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$  is said to be a generalized  $c^*$ -closed set (briefly,  $gc^*$ -closed set) if  $cl(A) \subseteq H$  whenever  $A \subseteq H$  and  $H$  is  $c^*$ -open. The complement of the  $gc^*$ -closed set is  $gc^*$ -open [13].

**Definition 2.5:** A function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be

- i. a  $g$ -open map [11] if  $f(U)$  is  $g$ -open in  $Y$  for every open set  $U$  of  $X$ .
- ii. a semi-generalized open (briefly,  $sg$ -open) [4] map if  $f(U)$  is  $sg$ -open in  $Y$  for every open set  $U$  of  $X$ .
- iii. a  $\hat{g}$ -open map [21] if  $f(U)$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open in  $Y$  for every open set  $U$  of  $X$ .
- iv.  $gc^*$ -open map [13] if  $f(U)$  is  $gc^*$ -open in  $Y$  for every open set  $U$  of  $X$ .

**Definition 2.6:** [14] A subset  $A$  of a space  $X$  is said to be pre-generalized  $c^*$ -closed (briefly,  $pgc^*$ -closed) if  $pcl(A) \subseteq H$  whenever  $A \subseteq H$  and  $H$  is  $c^*$ -open.

### 3. Pre-generalized $c^*$ -open sets

The complement of a  $pgc^*$ -closed set need not be  $pgc^*$ -closed. This leads to the definition of  $pgc^*$ -open sets. In this section we introduce pre-generalized  $c^*$ -open sets and study their basic properties.

**Definition 3.1:** A subset  $A$  of a space  $X$  is said to be pre-generalized  $c^*$ -open (briefly,  $pgc^*$ -open) if its complement is  $pgc^*$ -closed.

**Example 3.2:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with topology  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$ . Then the  $pgc^*$ -open sets are  $\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, X$ .

**Proposition 3.3:** Let  $X$  be a topological space. Then

1. Every  $w$ -open (resp. open,  $(gs)^*$ -open,  $\pi$ -open, regular open,  $gc^*$ -open) set is  $pgc^*$ -open.
2. Every  $pgc^*$ -open set is  $gpr$ -open (resp.  $rgb$ -open).

The converse of the Proposition 3.3 need not be true as seen from the following example.

**Example 3.4:**

1. Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with topology  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ . Then the subset  $\{a, b, d\}$  is  $pgc^*$ -open but not  $w$ -open ( $\hat{g}$ -open),  $(gs)^*$ -open, open,  $\pi$ -open, regular-open and  $gc^*$ -open.
2. Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$  with topology  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{d\}, \{e\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, e\}, \{d, e\}, \{a, d, e\}, X\}$ . Then the subset  $\{a, c, d\}$  is  $gpr$ -open and  $rgb$ -open but not  $pgc^*$ -open.

**Proposition 3.5:** Let  $X$  be a topological space. Then for any element  $p \in X$ , the set  $\{p\}$  is either  $pgc^*$ -open or  $c^*$ -open.

**Proof:** Suppose  $\{p\}$  is not a  $c^*$ -open set. Then  $X \setminus \{p\}$  is not a  $c^*$ -open set. By Proposition 3.20 [14],  $X \setminus \{p\}$  is  $pgc^*$ -closed. Hence  $\{p\}$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open.

The intersection of two  $pgc^*$ -open subsets of a space  $X$  need not be  $pgc^*$ -open. For example, let  $X = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$  with topology  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, b, c, d\}, X\}$ . Then the subsets  $\{b, c, d, e\}$  and  $\{a, c, d, e\}$  are  $pgc^*$ -open but their intersection  $\{c, d, e\}$  is not a  $pgc^*$ -open set.

The union of two  $pgc^*$ -open subsets of a space  $X$  need not be  $pgc^*$ -open. For example, let  $X=\{a, b, c, d, e\}$  with topology  $\tau=\{\phi, \{a, b\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, b, c, d\}, X\}$ . Then the subsets  $\{a, d\}$  and  $\{a, e\}$  are  $pgc^*$ -open but their union  $\{a, d, e\}$  is not a  $pgc^*$ -open set.

**Proposition 3.6:** Let  $A$  be a subset of a space  $X$ . Then the following are equivalent.

- i.  $A$  is  $pgc^*$ -open.
- ii.  $H \subseteq p\text{-int}(A)$  whenever  $H \subseteq A$  and  $H$  is  $c^*$ -open.

**Proof:**

(i) $\Rightarrow$ (ii): Assume that  $A$  is  $pgc^*$ -open. Then  $X \setminus A$  is  $pgc^*$ -closed. Let  $H$  be a  $c^*$ -open set and  $H \subseteq A$ . Then  $X \setminus H$  is a  $c^*$ -open set containing  $X \setminus A$ . Since  $X \setminus A$  is  $pgc^*$ -closed, we have  $pcl(X \setminus A) \subseteq X \setminus H$ . This implies,  $X \setminus (pcl(X \setminus A)) \supseteq H$ . That is,  $H \subseteq p\text{-int}(A)$ .

(ii) $\Rightarrow$ (i): Assume that  $H$  is a  $c^*$ -open set containing  $X \setminus A$ . Then  $X \setminus H$  is a  $c^*$ -open set and  $A \supseteq X \setminus H$ . By hypothesis,  $X \setminus H \subseteq p\text{-int}(A)$ . This implies,  $X \setminus (p\text{-int}(A)) \subseteq H$ . That is,  $pcl(X \setminus A) \subseteq H$ . Therefore,  $X \setminus A$  is  $pgc^*$ -closed. Hence,  $A$  is  $pgc^*$ -open.

**Proposition 3.7:** Let  $X$  be a topological space. If  $A$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open subset of  $X$  such that  $p\text{-int}(A) \subseteq B \subseteq A$ , then  $B$  is  $pgc^*$ -open.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be a  $pgc^*$ -open set and  $p\text{-int}(A) \subseteq B \subseteq A$ . Then  $X \setminus A$  is a  $pgc^*$ -closed set and  $X \setminus A \subseteq X \setminus B \subseteq pcl(X \setminus A)$ . Therefore, by Proposition 3.22 [14],  $X \setminus B$  is  $pgc^*$ -closed. Therefore,  $B$  is  $pgc^*$ -open.

**Proposition 3.8:** A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is  $pgc^*$ -open if and only if for each  $H \subseteq A$  and  $H$  is  $c^*$ -open, there exists a pre-open set  $G$  such that  $H \subseteq G \subseteq A$ .

**Proof:** Suppose that  $A$  is  $pgc^*$ -open. Assume that  $H \subseteq A$  and  $H$  is  $c^*$ -open. Then, by Proposition 3.6,  $H \subseteq p\text{-int}(A)$ . If we put  $G = p\text{-int}(A)$ , then  $H \subseteq G \subseteq A$ . Conversely, assume that  $H$  is a  $c^*$ -open set contained in  $A$ . Then by hypothesis, there exists a pre-open set  $G$  such that  $H \subseteq G \subseteq A$ . Since  $p\text{-int}(A)$  is the largest pre-open set contained in  $A$ , we have  $G \subseteq p\text{-int}(A)$ . Also, since  $H \subseteq G$ , we have  $H \subseteq p\text{-int}(A)$ . Therefore, by Proposition 3.6,  $A$  is  $pgc^*$ -open.

#### 4. Pre-generalized $c^*$ -open maps

In this section, we introduce pre-generalized  $c^*$ -open maps in topological spaces. Also, we derive some of their basic properties.

**Definition 4.1:** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two topological spaces. A function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be pre-generalized  $c^*$ -open map (briefly,  $pgc^*$ -open map) if  $f(U)$  is  $pgc^*$ -open in  $Y$  for every open set  $U$  in  $X$ .

**Example 4.2:** Let  $X=\{a, b, c\}$  with topology  $\tau=\{\phi, \{a\}, X\}$  and  $Y=\{1, 2, 3\}$  with topology  $\sigma=\{\phi, \{1\}, \{1,2\}, Y\}$ . Define  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  by  $f(a)=2, f(b)=3, f(c)=1$ . Then  $f$  is  $pgc^*$ -open.

**Proposition 4.3:** Let  $X, Y$  be two topological spaces. A function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open if and only if the image of each closed subset of  $X$  is  $pgc^*$ -closed in  $Y$ .

**Proof:** Assume that  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map. Let  $V$  be a closed set in  $X$ . Then  $X \setminus V$  is open in  $X$ . Therefore, by our assumption,  $f(X \setminus V)$  is  $pgc^*$ -open in  $Y$ . This implies,  $Y \setminus f(V)$  is  $pgc^*$ -open in  $Y$ . Hence,  $f(V)$  is  $pgc^*$ -closed in  $Y$ . Conversely, assume that the image of each closed subset of  $X$  is  $pgc^*$ -closed in  $Y$ . Let  $U$  be an open set in  $X$ . Then  $X \setminus U$  is closed in  $X$ . Therefore, by our assumption,  $f(X \setminus U)$  is  $pgc^*$ -closed in  $Y$ . This implies,  $Y \setminus f(U)$  is  $pgc^*$ -closed in  $Y$ . This implies,  $f(U)$  is  $pgc^*$ -open in  $Y$ . Therefore,  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map.

**Proposition 4.4:** Let  $X, Y$  be two topological spaces. Then every open map is  $pgc^*$ -open.

**Proof:** Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an open map and  $U$  be an open set in  $X$ . Then  $f(U)$  is open in  $Y$ . By Proposition 3.3,  $f(U)$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open set. Therefore,  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map.

The following example shows that the converse of the Proposition 4.4 is not true.

**Example 4.5:** Let  $X=\{a, b, c\}$  and  $Y=\{1, 2, 3\}$ . Then, clearly  $\tau=\{\phi, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$  is a topology on  $X$  and  $\sigma=\{\phi, \{1\}, \{1,2\}, \{1,3\}, Y\}$  is a topology on  $Y$ . Define  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  by  $f(a)=2, f(b)=3, f(c)=1$ . Clearly,  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map. But  $f$  is not an open map, since the image of an open set  $\{b\}$  under  $f$  is  $\{3\}$ , which is not open in  $Y$ .

**Proposition 4.6:** Let  $X, Y$  be two topological spaces. Then every  $\hat{g}$ -open map is  $pgc^*$ -open.

**Proof:** Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a  $\hat{g}$ -open map. Let  $U$  be an open set in  $X$ . Then  $f(U)$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open in  $Y$ . Therefore, by Proposition 3.3,  $f(U)$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open set. Therefore,  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map.

The converse of the Proposition 4.6 need not be true, which can be verified from the following example.

**Example 4.7:** Let  $X=\{a, b, c\}$  and  $Y=\{1, 2, 3\}$ . Then, clearly  $\tau=\{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$  is a topology on  $X$  and  $\sigma=\{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{1,2\}, \{1,3\}, Y\}$  is a topology on  $Y$ . Define  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  by  $f(a)=2, f(b)=3, f(c)=1$ . Then  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map. Consider the open set  $\{b\}$  in  $X$ . Then  $f(\{b\})=\{3\}$ , which is not a  $\hat{g}$ -open set in  $Y$ . Therefore,  $f$  is not a  $\hat{g}$ -open map.

The  $g$ -open and  $pgc^*$ -open maps are independent. For example, let  $X=\{a, b, c, d\}$  and  $Y=\{1,2,3,4,5\}$ . Then, clearly  $\tau=\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$  is a topology on  $X$  and  $\sigma=\{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{4\}, \{5\}, \{1,4\}, \{1,5\}, \{4,5\}, \{1,4,5\}, Y\}$  is a topology on  $Y$ . Define  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  by  $f(a)=1, f(b)=2, f(c)=f(d)=3$ . Then  $f$  is a  $g$ -open map. Consider the open set  $\{a, c\}$  in  $X$ . Then  $f(\{a, c\})=\{1,3\}$ , which is not a  $pgc^*$ -open set in  $Y$ . Hence  $f$  is not a  $pgc^*$ -open map. Define  $g: X \rightarrow Y$  by  $g(a)=g(b)=2, g(c)=3, g(d)=5$ . Then  $g: X \rightarrow Y$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map. Consider the open set  $\{a, c\}$  in  $X$ . Then  $g(\{a, c\})=\{2,3\}$ , which is not a  $g$ -open set in  $Y$ . Therefore,  $f$  is not a  $g$ -open map.

The  $sg$ -open and  $pgc^*$ -open maps are independent. For example, let  $X=\{a, b, c, d\}$  and  $Y=\{1,2,3,4,5\}$ . Then, clearly  $\tau=\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$  is a topology on  $X$  and  $\sigma=\{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{4\}, \{5\}, \{1,4\}, \{1,5\}, \{4,5\}, \{1,4,5\}, Y\}$  is a topology on  $Y$ . Define  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  by  $f(a)=1, f(b)=4, f(c)=f(d)=3$ . Then  $f$  is a  $sg$ -open map. Consider the open set  $\{a, c\}$  in  $X$ . Then  $f(\{a, c\})=\{1,3\}$ , which is not a  $pgc^*$ -open set in  $Y$ . Hence  $f$  is not a  $pgc^*$ -open map. Define  $g: X \rightarrow Y$  by  $g(a)=g(b)=2, g(c)=3, g(d)=5$ . Then  $g: X \rightarrow Y$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map. Consider the open set  $\{b\}$  in  $X$ . Then  $g(\{b\})=\{2\}$ , which is not a  $sg$ -open set in  $Y$ . Therefore,  $g$  is not a  $sg$ -open map.

**Proposition 4.8:** Let  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  be topological spaces. If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is an open map and  $g: Y \rightarrow Z$  is a  $gc^*$ -open map, then  $g \circ f$  is  $pgc^*$ -open map.

**Proof:** Let  $U$  be an open set in  $X$ . Since  $f$  is an open map,  $f(U)$  is open in  $Y$ . Then  $g(f(U))$  is a  $gc^*$ -open set in  $Z$ . That is,  $(g \circ f)(U)$  is a  $gc^*$ -open set in  $Z$ . Therefore, by Proposition 3.3,  $(g \circ f)(U)$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open set in  $Z$ . Therefore,  $g \circ f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map.

**Proposition 4.9:** Let  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  be topological spaces. If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  and  $g: Y \rightarrow Z$  are open maps, then  $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map.

**Proof:** Let  $U$  be an open set in  $X$ . Since  $f$  is an open map,  $f(U)$  is open in  $Y$ . Also, since  $g$  is an open map,  $g(f(U))$  is open in  $Z$ . That is,  $(g \circ f)(U)$  is an open set in  $Z$ . By Proposition 3.3,  $(g \circ f)(U)$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open set in  $Z$ . Therefore,  $g \circ f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map.

**Proposition 4.10:** Let  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  be topological spaces. If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is an open map and  $g: Y \rightarrow Z$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map, then  $g \circ f$  is  $pgc^*$ -open map.

**Proof:** Let  $U$  be an open set in  $X$ . Since  $f$  is an open map,  $f(U)$  is open in  $Y$ . Then  $g(f(U))$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open set in  $Z$ . That is,  $(g \circ f)(U)$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open set in  $Z$ . Therefore,  $g \circ f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map.

**Proposition 4.11:** Let  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  be topological spaces. If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is an open map and  $g: Y \rightarrow Z$  is a  $\hat{g}$ -open map, then  $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map.

**Proof:** Let  $U$  be an open set in  $X$ . Since  $f$  is an open map,  $f(U)$  is open in  $Y$ . Then  $g(f(U))$  is a  $\hat{g}$ -open set in  $Z$ . That is,  $(g \circ f)(U)$  is a  $\hat{g}$ -open set in  $Z$ . Therefore, by Proposition 3.3,  $(g \circ f)(U)$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open set in  $Z$ . Hence  $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map.

**Proposition 4.12:** Let  $X, Y$  be two topological spaces. A surjective function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map if and only if for each subset  $B$  of  $Y$  and for each closed set  $U$  containing  $f^{-1}(B)$ , there is a  $pgc^*$ -closed set  $V$  of  $Y$  such that  $B \subset V$  and  $f^{-1}(V) \subset U$ .

**Proof:** Suppose  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is a surjective  $pgc^*$ -open map and  $B$  is a subset of  $Y$ . Let  $U$  be a closed set in  $X$  such that  $f^{-1}(B) \subset U$ . Then  $V=Y \setminus f(X \setminus U)$  is a  $pgc^*$ -closed subset of  $Y$  containing  $B$  and  $f^{-1}(V) \subset U$ . Conversely, suppose  $F$  is an open subset of  $X$ . Then  $X \setminus F$  is closed in  $X$ . Also,  $f^{-1}(Y \setminus f(F))=X \setminus f^{-1}(f(F)) \subset X \setminus F$ . Therefore, by hypothesis, there exists a  $pgc^*$ -closed set  $V$  of  $Y$  such that  $Y \setminus f(F) \subset V$  and  $f^{-1}(V) \subset X \setminus F$ . This implies,  $F \subset X \setminus f^{-1}(V)$ . Therefore,  $f(F) \subset f(X \setminus f^{-1}(V)) \subset Y \setminus V$ . Also,  $Y \setminus V \subset f(F)$ . This implies,  $f(F)=Y \setminus V$ , which is  $pgc^*$ -open in  $Y$ . Therefore,  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map.

## CONCLUSION

In this paper we have introduced  $pgc^*$ -open sets and  $pgc^*$ -open maps in topological spaces and studied some of their basic properties. Also, we have studied the relationship between  $pgc^*$ -open sets with some generalized sets in topological spaces.

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