

Notions via β^* -continuous maps in topological spaces

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Abstract

The aim of this paper is to introduce the different notions of β^* -continuous maps namely β^* -irresolute maps, strongly β^* -continuous maps and perfectly β^* -continuous maps and study their relationships. It turns out that perfectly β^* -continuous map is stronger than perfectly continuous map and strongly β^* -continuous map is weaker than strongly continuous maps. Also it is found that the composition of two β^* -irresolute maps is β^* -irresolute maps. The applications of these maps in some topological spaces are also studied.

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I. Introduction

Several authors ([1], [5], [8], [9]) working in the field of general topology have shown more interest in studying the concepts of generalization of continuous maps. We have studied the

concept of β^* -continuous maps using β^* -closed sets and proved that the composition of two β^* -continuous maps need not be β^* -continuous maps. Irresolute maps were introduced and studied by Crossley and Hildebrand [4], R.A. Mohmoud and Abd-EL-monsef [1] have investigated β -irresolute maps. In this paper we have introduced β^* -irresolute maps. Further strongly β^* -continuous maps and perfectly β^* -continuous maps in topological spaces have been introduced and some of their properties are elucidated.

2.preliminaries:

Throughout the paper (X, τ) , (Y, σ) and (Z, η) or simply X , Y and Z denote topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed unless otherwise mentioned explicitly.

We recall some of the definitions and results which are used in the sequel.

Definition 2.1

A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is called

- (i) A pre-open set [10] if $A \subset \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$ and a pre closed set if $\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) \subset A$,

- (ii) A semi-open set [4] if $A \subset \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$ and a semi-closed set if $\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)) \subset A$,
- (iii) An α -open set [7] if $A \subset \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)))$ and an α -closed set if $\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(A))) \subset A$,
- (iv) A semipre open set [5] (= β -open set [1]) if $A \subset \text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)))$ and a semi-pre closed set (= β closed) if $\text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(A))) \subset A$
- (v) A β^* -closed set [2] if $\text{spcl}(A) \subset \text{int}(U)$ whenever $A \subset U$ and U is ω -open

Definition 2.2. A topological space (X, τ) is said to be

- (i) A T_ω -space [12] if every ω -closed set of (X, τ) is closed.
- (ii) A ${}_a T_{\beta^*}$ -space [2] (resp. ${}_{sp} T_{\beta^*}$ -space) if every β^* -closed set of (X, τ) is α -closed (resp. semi pre closed).
- (iii) A T_{β^*} -space [2] if every β^* -closed set of (X, τ) is closed

Definition 2.3

Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a map. Then f is said to be

- (i) α -irresolute [7] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is α -open in (X, τ) for each α -open set V of (Y, σ)
- (ii) β -irresolute [1] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is β -closed in (X, τ) for each β -closed set V of (Y, σ)
- (iii) ω -irresolute [12] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is ω -closed in (X, τ) for each ω -closed set V of (Y, σ)
- (iv) ω -closed [12] if $f(V)$ is ω -closed in (Y, σ) for every closed set V of (X, τ) .
- (v) Pre- β -closed [6] if $f(V)$ is β -closed in (Y, σ) for every β -closed set V of (X, τ)

- (vi) ω^* -closed [12] if $f(V)$ is ω -closed in (Y, σ) for every ω -closed V of (X, τ)

Theorem 2.4 [2]: Every closed (resp. α -closed) set of (X, τ) is β^* -closed.

3.1 – β^* irresolute maps

Definition – 3.1.1: A map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is called β^* -irresolute if $f^{-1}(V)$ is β^* -closed in X for every β^* -closed set V of Y .

Example- 3.1.2: Let $X = \{a, b, c\} = Y$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, Y\}$. Then the identity map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is β^* -irresolute.

Proposition 3.1.3: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is β^* -irresolute, then f is β^* continuous but not conversely.

Proof: Since every closed set is β^* -closed, we get the proof.

Example-3.1.4: Let $X = \{a, b, c\} = Y$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, Y\}$. Then the identity map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is β^* continuous but not β^* irresolute because the set $\{a, b\}$ is β^* closed in Y but $f^{-1}(\{a, b\}) = \{a, b\}$ is not β^* closed in X .

Proposition – 3.1.5: A map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is β^* -irresolute if and only if $f^{-1}(V)$ is β^* open in X for every β^* open set V of Y .

Proof : Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be β^* continuous and U be an open set in Y . Then $f^{-1}(U^c)$ is β^* closed in X . But $f^{-1}(U^c) = (f^{-1}(U))^c$ and so $f^{-1}(U)$ is β^* -open in X . Converse is similar.

Proposition- 3.1.6: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ be any two maps. Then

- (a) $g \circ f$ is β^* -irresolute if both f and g are β^* -irresolute.
- (b) $g \circ f$ is β^* -continuous if g is β^* -continuous and f is β^* irresolute.

Proof (a): Let F be a β^* closed set in Z . Since g is β^* -irresolute. $g^{-1}(F)$ is β^* closed in Y . Since f is β^* -irresolute, f

$f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(F)$ is β^* -closed in X .

Thus $g \circ f$ is β^* -irresolute.

Proof (b): Let F be a closed set in Z . Since g is β^* -continuous, $g^{-1}(F)$ is β^* -closed in Y . Since f is β^* -irresolute, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(F)$ is β^* -closed in X . Hence $g \circ f$ is β^* -continuous.

Proposition – 3.1.7: Let X be a topological space. Y be a T_{β^*} -space and $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a map. Then the following are equivalent.

(i) f is β^* -irresolute

(ii) f is β^* -continuous

Proof: (i) \Rightarrow (ii): Follows from proposition 3.1.3

(ii) \Rightarrow (i): Let F be a β^* -closed set in Y . Since Y is a T_{β^*} -space, F is a closed set in Y , and by hypothesis, $f^{-1}(F)$ is β^* -closed in X . Therefore f is β^* -irresolute.

Theorem- 3.1.8: If the bijective map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is β -irresolute and ω^* -open, then f is β^* -irresolute.

Proof: Let V be a β^* -closed set in Y and U be ω -open in X such that $f^{-1}(V) \subset U$. Then $V \subset f(U)$. Since $f(U)$ is ω -open and V is β^* -closed in Y , $\text{spcl}(V) \subset \text{int}(f(U))$ and hence $f^{-1}(\text{spcl}(V)) \subset f^{-1}(\text{int}(f(U))) \subset \text{int}(U)$. Since f is β -irresolute, $f^{-1}(\text{spcl}(V))$ is semi pre-closed in X . Thus $\text{spcl}(f^{-1}(V)) \subset \text{spcl}(f^{-1}(\text{spcl}(V))) = f^{-1}(\text{spcl}(V)) \subset \text{int}(U)$ and so $f^{-1}(V)$ is β^* -closed in X .

Theorem- 3.1.9: If the bijective map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is pre- β -irresolute and ω -irresolute and if A is β^* -closed then $f(A)$ is β^* -closed.

Proof: Let U be any ω -open subset of Y containing $f(A)$. Then $A \subset f^{-1}(U)$ and $f^{-1}(U)$ is ω -open in X since f is ω -irresolute. Therefore $\text{spcl}(A) \subset \text{int}(f^{-1}(U))$ as A is β^* -closed which implies $f(\text{spcl}(A)) \subset f(\text{int}(f^{-1}(U))) \subset \text{int}(U)$. Since f is pre- β -closed and $\text{spcl}(A)$ is semi pre-closed in X , $f(\text{spcl}(A))$ is semi

pre-closed. Thus $\text{spcl}(f(A)) \subset \text{spcl}(f(\text{spcl}(A))) = f(\text{spcl}(A)) \subset \text{int}(U)$ and so $f(A)$ is β^* -closed in Y .

Theorem-3.1.10: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be β^* -irresolute. Then f is α -irresolute if X is a T_{β^*} -space.

Proof: Let V be a α -closed subset of Y . Then V is β^* -closed in Y by Theorem 2.4. Since f is β^* -irresolute $f^{-1}(V)$ is β^* -closed in X . Also X is a T_{β^*} -space. Therefore $f^{-1}(V)$ is α -closed in X . Hence f is α -irresolute.

Theorem-3.1.11: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a surjective, β^* -irresolute and pre- β -closed map. If X is a T_{β^*} -space, then Y is also a T_{β^*} -space.

Proof: Let F be a β^* -closed subset of Y . Since f is β^* -irresolute, $f^{-1}(F)$ is β^* -closed in X . Also X is a T_{β^*} -space. Therefore $f^{-1}(F)$ is semi pre-closed in X . Since f is pre- β -closed and surjective, F is semi pre-closed in Y . Hence Y is a T_{β^*} -space.

3.2. Strongly β^* -continuous maps

Definition – 3.2.1: A map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be strongly β^* -continuous if the inverse image of every β^* -open set of Y is open in X .

Proposition – 3.2.2: If a map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is strongly β^* -continuous, then f is continuous but not conversely.

Proof: Since every open set is β^* -open, the proof follows.

Example- 3.2.3.: Let $X=Y= \{a,b,c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, Y\}$. Define a map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ by $f(a)=a$, $f(b)=c$, $f(c)= b$, clearly f is continuous, but not strongly β^* -continuous, since the set $\{b\}$ is β^* -open in Y But $f^{-1}(\{b\}) = \{c\}$ is not open in X .

Proposition – 3.2.4: Let X be a topological space, Y be a T_{β^*} -space and $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a map. Then the following

are equivalent.

(i) f is strongly β^* -continuous.

(ii) f is continuous

Proof: (i) \Rightarrow (ii): Follows from **proposition 3.2.2.**

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

Proposition – 3.2.5: Every strongly β^* continuous map is α -continuous, but not conversely.

Proof: The proof follows from the fact that every α -open set is β^* -open.

Example – 3.2.6: Let $X=Y=\{a, b, c\}$, $\tau=\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a,b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a,b\}, \{a,c\}, Y\}$. Then the identity map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is α -continuous but not strongly β^* -continuous. Since the inverse image of the β^* open set $\{a, c\}$ in Y namely $\{a, c\}$ is not open in X .

Proposition – 3.2.7: If a map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is strongly continuous, then f is strongly β^* continuous.

Proof: Follows from Definitions.

The following example supports that the converse of **proposition 3.3.7** is not true.

Example 3.2.8: Let $X=Y= \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau=\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, x\}$ and $\sigma= \{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}\}$. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a map defined by $f(a)=b, f(b)= a$ and $f(c)=c$ then f is strongly β^* continuous but not strongly continuous since $f^{-1}(\{a,c\})=\{b,c\}$ is not open in X though it is closed in X .

3.3 Perfectly β^* -continuous maps

Definition – 3.3.1: A map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is called perfectly β^* continuous if the inverse image of every β^* -open set in Y is both open and closed in X .

Proposition – 3.3.2: If a map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is perfectly β^* continuous then f is

perfectly continuous(resp. continuous) but not conversely.

Proof: Let V be an open set in Y . Then V is β^* -open in Y . Since f is perfectly β^* continuous $f^{-1}(V)$ is both open and closed in X . Thus f is perfectly continuous (resp. Continuous).

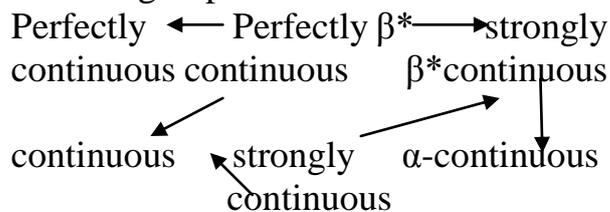
Example-3.3.3: Let $X=Y=\{a,b,c\}$, $\tau=\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b,c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma=\{\emptyset, \{a\}, Y\}$. Clearly the identity map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is perfectly continuous and continuous but not perfectly β^* -continuous, since the set $\{c\}$ is β^* -open in Y but $f^{-1}(\{c\})=\{c\}$ is not clopen in X .

Proposition – 3.3.4: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is perfectly β^* -continuous then it is strongly β^* -continuous but not conversely.

Proof: Similar to proposition 3.3.2

Example-3.3.5: Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be defined as in example 3.2.8. Then f is strongly β^* -continuous but not perfectly β^* continuous. Since the set $\{b\}$ is β^* open in Y but $f^{-1}(\{b\})=\{a\}$ is open but not closed in X .

From the above discussion we have following implications.



Proposition: 3.3.6: Let X be a discrete topological space, Y be any topological space and $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a map. Then the following are equivalent.

(i) f is perfectly β^* -continuous

(ii) f is strongly β^* -continuous

Proof: (i) \Rightarrow (ii) follows from proposition 3.3.4.

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

Proposition – 3.3.7: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ are perfectly β^* -continuous, then their composition $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$ is also perfectly β^* -continuous.

Proof: Let V be a β^* -open set in Z . Since g is perfectly β^* -continuous, $g^{-1}(V)$ is both open and closed in Y . Since f is perfectly β^* -continuous $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$ is both open and closed in X . Thus $g \circ f$ is perfectly β^* -continuous.

Proposition – 3.3.8: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ be any two maps then their composition $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$ is

- (i) β^* -irresolute if g is perfectly β^* -continuous and f is β^* -continuous.
- (ii) strongly β^* -continuous if g is perfectly β^* -continuous and f is continuous.
- (iii) Perfectly β^* -continuous if g is strongly continuous and f is perfectly β^* -continuous.

Proof: Similar to proposition 3.3.7.

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