

Continuous And Irresolute Functions Via Star Generalised Closed Sets

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ABSTRACT: In this paper, we introduce a new class of continuous functions called semi* δ -continuous function and semi* δ -irresolute functions in topological spaces by utilizing semi* δ -open sets and to investigate their properties.

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I. INTRODUCTION

In 1963, Levine[3] introduced the concept of semi-continuity in topological spaces. In 1968 N.V.Velicko introduced the concept of δ -open sets in topological spaces. T.Noiri[8] introduced the concept of δ -continuous functions in 1980. In 2014 Raja Mohammad Latif[15] investigate the properties of δ -continuous functions and δ -irresolute functions. S.Pasunkili Pandian[10] defined semi*pre- continuous and semi*pre-irresolute functions and investigated their properties. S.Pious Missier and A.Robert[12,16] introduced the concept of semi*-continuous and semi* α -continuous functions in 2014. Quite recently, the authors[13] introduced some new concepts, namely semi* δ -open sets, semi* δ - closed sets. The aim of this paper is to introduce new class of functions called semi* δ -continuous, semi* δ -irresolute functions and investigated their properties.

II. PRELIMINARIES

Throughout this paper (X, τ) , (Y, σ) and (Z, η) represent non-empty topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed unless otherwise mentioned.

Definition 2.1: A subset A of a space X is

- (i) generalized closed (briefly g-closed) [4] if $Cl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in X .
- (ii) generalized open (briefly g-open) [4] if $X \setminus A$ is g-closed in X .

Definition 2.2: If A is a subset of X ,

- (i) the generalized closure of A is defined as the intersection of all g-closed sets in X containing A and is denoted by $Cl^*(A)$.
- (ii) the generalized interior of A is defined as the union of all g-open subsets of A and is denoted by $Int^*(A)$.

Definition 2.3: Let (X, τ) be a topological space. A subset A of the space X is said to be

1. Semi-open [3] if $A \subseteq Cl(Int(A))$ and semi*-open[12] if $A \subseteq Cl^*(Int(A))$.
2. Preopen [5] if $A \subseteq Int(Cl(A))$ and pre*open[14] if $A \subseteq Int^*(Cl(A))$.
3. Semi-preopen [7] if $A \subseteq Cl(Int(Cl(A)))$ and semi*-preopen[10] if $A \subseteq Cl^*(pInt(A))$.
4. α -open [6] if $A \subseteq Int(Cl(Int(A)))$ and α^* -open [11] if $A \subseteq Int^*(Cl(Int^*(A)))$.
5. Regular-open[13] if $A = Int(Cl(A))$ and δ -open[8] if $A = \delta Int(A)$
6. semi α -open[9] if $A \subseteq Cl(\alpha Int(A))$ and semi* α -open[16] if $A \subseteq Cl^*(\alpha Int(A))$.
7. δ -semi-open [2] if $A \subseteq Cl(\delta Int(A))$ and semi* δ -open[13] $A \subseteq Cl^*(\delta Int(A))$.

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

Definition 2.4: A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be

1. g-continuous [1] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is g-open in (X, τ) for every open set V in (Y, σ) .
2. Semi-continuous [3] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is semi-open in (X, τ) for every open set V in (Y, σ) .

3. Semi*-continuous [12] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is semi*-open in (X, τ) for every open set V in (Y, σ) .
4. Pre-continuous [5] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is pre-open in (X, τ) for every open set V in (Y, σ) .
5. Pre*-continuous [14] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is pre*-open in (X, τ) for every open set V in (Y, σ) .
6. α -continuous [6] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is α -open in (X, τ) for every open set V in (Y, σ) .
7. α^* -continuous [11] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is α^* -open in (X, τ) for every open set V in (Y, σ) .
8. Semi-pre-continuous[7] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is semi-preopen in (X, τ) for every open set V in (Y, σ) .
9. Semi*pre-continuous[14] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is semi*-preopen in (X, τ) for every open set V in (Y, σ) .
10. Semi α -continuous [9] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is semi- α -open in (X, τ) for every open set V in (Y, σ) .
11. Semi* α -continuous [16] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is semi*- α -open in (X, τ) for every open set V in (Y, σ) .
12. δ -continuous [8] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is δ -open in (X, τ) for every open set V in (Y, σ) .
13. δ -semi-continuous [2] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is δ -semi-open in (X, τ) for every open set V in (Y, σ) .

Definition 2.5: A topological space (X, τ) is said to be $T_{\frac{1}{2}}$ if every g-closed set in X is closed.

Theorem 2.6: [13] Every δ -open set is semi* δ -open.

Theorem 2.7: [13] In any topological space,

- (i) Every semi* δ -open set is δ -semi-open.
- (ii) Every semi* δ -open set is semi - open.
- (iii) Every semi* δ -open set is semi* - open.
- (iv) Every semi* δ -open set is semi*-preopen.
- (v) Every semi* δ -open set is semi-preopen.
- (vi) Every semi* δ -open set is semi* α -open
- (vii) Every semi* δ -open set is semi α -open.

Remark 2.8: [17] Similar results for semi* δ -closed sets are also true.

Theorem 2.9: [13] For a subset A of a topological space (X, τ) the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) A is semi* δ -open.
- (ii) $A \subseteq Cl^*(\delta Int(A))$.
- (iii) $Cl^*(\delta Int(A)) = Cl^*(A)$.

Theorem 2.10: [17] For a subset A of a topological space (X, τ) , the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) A is semi* δ -closed.
- (ii) $Int^*(\delta Cl(A)) \subseteq A$.
- (iii) $Int^*(\delta Cl(A)) = Int^*(A)$.

III. SEMI* δ -CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS

Definition 3.1: A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be **semi* \square -continuous** if $f^{-1}(V)$ is semi* δ -open in (X, τ) for every open set V in (Y, σ) .

Theorem 3.2: Every δ -continuous is semi* δ -continuous.

Proof: Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be δ -continuous. Let V be open in (Y, σ) . Then $f^{-1}(V)$ is δ -open in (X, τ) . Hence by Theorem 2.6, $f^{-1}(V)$ is semi* δ -open in (X, τ) . Therefore f is semi* δ -continuous.

The converse of the above theorem need not be true as it is seen from the following example.

Example 3.3: Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, Y\}$. Define $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = c$; $f(b) = a$; $f(c) = d$; $f(d) = b$. Then f is semi* δ -continuous but not δ -continuous. Since for the open set $V = \{a, b\}$ in (Y, σ) , $f^{-1}(V) = \{b, d\}$ is semi* δ -open but not δ -open in (X, τ) .

Theorem 3.4: Every semi* δ -continuous is δ -semi-continuous.

Proof: By Theorem 2.7(i), every semi* δ -open set is δ -semi-open, the proof follows. The converse of the above theorem need not be true as it is seen from the following example.

Example 3.5: Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, Y\}$. Define $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = b$; $f(b) = f(c) = a$; $f(d) = c$. Then f is δ -semi-continuous but not semi* δ -continuous. Since for the open set $V = \{a\}$ in (Y, σ) , $f^{-1}(V) = \{b, c\}$ is δ -semi-open but not semi* δ -open in (X, τ) .

Theorem 3.6: Every semi* δ -continuous is semi-continuous.

Proof: By Theorem 2.7(ii), every semi* δ -open set is semi-open, the proof follows. The converse of the above theorem need not be true as it is seen from the following example.

Example 3.7: Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a, b, c\}, Y\}$. Define $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = b$; $f(b) = a$; $f(c) = d$; $f(d) = c$. Then f is semi-continuous but not semi* δ -continuous. Since for the open set $V = \{a, b, c\}$ in (Y, σ) , $f^{-1}(V) = \{a, b, d\}$ is semi-open but not semi* δ -open in (X, τ) .

Theorem 3.8: Every semi* δ -continuous is semi*-continuous.

Proof: By Theorem 2.7(iii), every semi* δ -open set is semi*-open, the proof follows. The converse of the above theorem need not be true as it is seen from the following example.

Example 3.9: Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a, b, c\}, Y\}$. Define $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = b$; $f(b) = a$; $f(c) = d$; $f(d) = c$. Then f is semi*-continuous but not semi* δ -continuous. Since for the open set $V = \{a, b, c\}$ in (Y, σ) , $f^{-1}(V) = \{a, b, d\}$ is semi*-open but not semi* δ -open in (X, τ) .

Theorem 3.10: Every semi* δ -continuous is semi*pre-continuous.

Proof: By Theorem 2.7(iv), every semi* δ -open set is semi*pre-open, the proof follows. The converse of the above theorem need not be true as it is seen from the following example.

Example 3.11: Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b, c, d\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, Y\}$. Define $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = b$; $f(b) = d$; $f(c) = a$; $f(d) = c$. Then f is semi*pre-continuous but not semi* δ -continuous. Since for the open set $V = \{a, b\}$ in (Y, σ) , $f^{-1}(V) = \{a, c\}$ is semi*pre-open but not semi* δ -open in (X, τ) .

Theorem 3.12: Every semi* δ -continuous is semi-pre-continuous.

Proof: By Theorem 2.7(v), every semi* δ -open set is semi-pre-open, the proof follows. The converse of the above theorem need not be true as it is seen from the following example.

Example 3.13: Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, Y\}$. Define $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = b$; $f(b) = f(c) = a$; $f(d) = c$. Then f is semi-pre-continuous but not semi* δ -continuous. Since for the open set $V = \{a\}$ in (Y, σ) , $f^{-1}(V) = \{b, c\}$ is semi-pre-open but not semi* δ -open in (X, τ) .

Theorem 3.14: Every semi* δ -continuous is semi* α -continuous.

Proof: By Theorem 2.7(vi), every semi* δ -open set is semi* α -open, the proof follows. The converse of the above theorem need not be true as it is seen from the following example.

Example 3.15: Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, Y\}$. Define $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = f(c) = b$; $f(b) = a$; $f(d) = c$. Then f is semi* α -continuous but not semi* δ -continuous. Since for the open set $V = \{b\}$ in (Y, σ) , $f^{-1}(V) = \{a, c\}$ is semi* α -open but not semi* δ -open in (X, τ) .

Theorem 3.16: Every semi* δ -continuous is semi α -continuous.

Proof: By Theorem 2.7(vii), every semi* δ -open set is semi α -open, the proof follows. The converse of the above theorem need not be true as it is seen from the following example.

Example 3.17: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{c\}, Y\}$. Define $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = f(b) = c$; $f(c) = a$. Then f is semi α -continuous but not semi* δ -continuous. Since for the open set $V = \{c\}$ in (Y, σ) , $f^{-1}(V) = \{a, b\}$ is semi α -open but not semi* δ -open in (X, τ) .

Remark 3.18: The concept of semi* δ -continuity and continuity are independent as shown in the following example.

Example 3.19:

1. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, Y\}$. Define $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = b$; $f(b) = f(c) = a$. Then f is semi* δ -continuous but not continuous. Observe that for the open set $V = \{a\}$ in (Y, σ) , $f^{-1}(V) = \{b, c\}$ is semi* δ -open but not open in (X, τ) .

2. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a, b\}, Y\}$. Define $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = b$; $f(b) = a$; $f(c) = c$. Then f is continuous but not semi* δ -continuous. It is clear that for the open set $V = \{a, b\}$ in (Y, σ) , $f^{-1}(V) = \{a, b\}$ is open but not semi* δ -open in (X, τ) .

Remark 3.20: The concept of semi* δ -continuity and g-continuity are independent as shown in the following example.

Example 3.21:

1. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, Y\}$. Define $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = b$; $f(b) = a$; $f(c) = d$; $f(d) = c$. Then f is semi* δ -continuous but not g-continuous. Observe that for the open set $V = \{a, b, c\}$ in (Y, σ) , $f^{-1}(V) = \{a, b, d\}$ is semi* δ -open but not g-open in (X, τ) .

2. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b, c\}, Y\}$. Define $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = f(d) = b$; $f(b) = c$; $f(c) = a$. Then f is g-continuous but not semi* δ -continuous. It is clear that for the open set $V = \{a\}$ in (Y, σ) , $f^{-1}(V) = \{c\}$ is g-open but not semi* δ -open in (X, τ) .

Remark 3.22: The concept of semi* δ -continuity and α -continuity are independent as shown in the following example.

Example 3.23:

1. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, Y\}$. Define $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = b$; $f(b) = a$; $f(c) = d$; $f(d) = c$. Then f is semi* δ -continuous but not α -continuous. Observe that for the open set $V = \{a, b, c\}$ in (Y, σ) , $f^{-1}(V) = \{a, b, d\}$ is semi* δ -open but not α -open in (X, τ) .

2. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, Y\}$. Define $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = f(c) = b$; $f(b) = a$; $f(d) = c$. Then f is α -continuous but not semi* δ -continuous. It is clear that for the open set $V = \{a, b\}$ in (Y, σ) , $f^{-1}(V) = \{a, b, c\}$ is α -open but not semi* δ -open in (X, τ) .

Remark 3.24: The concept of semi* δ -continuity and pre-continuity are independent as shown in the following example.

Example 3.25:

1. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, Y\}$. Define $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = c$; $f(b) = a$; $f(c) = b$. Then f is semi* δ -continuous but not pre-continuous. Observe that for the open set $V = \{a, b\}$ in (Y, σ) , $f^{-1}(V) = \{b, c\}$ is semi* δ -open but not pre-open in (X, τ) .

2. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a, b, c\}, Y\}$. Define $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = c$; $f(b) = d$; $f(c) = b$; $f(d) = a$. Then f is pre-continuous but not semi* δ -continuous. It is clear that for the open set $V = \{a, b, c\}$ in (Y, σ) , $f^{-1}(V) = \{a, c, d\}$ is pre-open but not semi* δ -open in (X, τ) .

Remark 3.26: The concept of semi* δ -continuity and α^* -continuity are independent as shown in the following example.

Example 3.27:

1. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, Y\}$. Define $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = c$; $f(b) = a$; $f(c) = d$; $f(d) = b$. Then f is semi* δ -continuous but not α^* -continuous. Observe that for the open set $V = \{a, b\}$ in (Y, σ) , $f^{-1}(V) = \{b, d\}$ is semi* δ -open but not α^* -open in (X, τ) .

2. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b, c, d\}, Y\}$. Define $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = c$; $f(b) = d$; $f(c) = a$; $f(d) = b$. Then f is α^* -continuous but not semi* δ -continuous. It is clear that for the open set $V = \{b, c, d\}$ in (Y, σ) , $f^{-1}(V) = \{a, b, d\}$ is α^* -open but not semi* δ -open in (X, τ) .

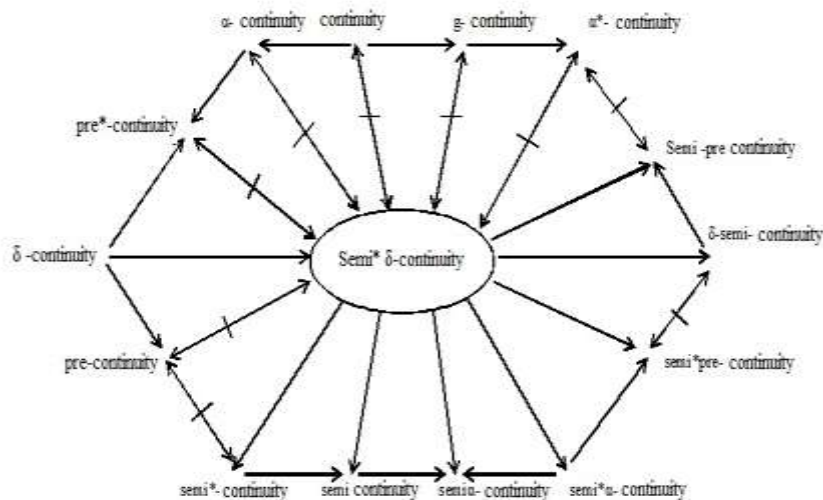
Remark 3.28: The concept of semi* δ -continuity and pre*-continuity are independent as shown in the following example.

Example 3.29:

1. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a, b\}, Y\}$. Define $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = b$; $f(b) = c$; $f(c) = a$. Then f is semi* δ -continuous but not pre*-continuous. Observe that for the open set $V = \{a, b\}$ in (Y, σ) , $f^{-1}(V) = \{a, c\}$ is semi* δ -open but not pre*-open in (X, τ) .

2. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, Y\}$. Define $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = b$; $f(b) = d$; $f(c) = a$; $f(d) = c$. Then f is pre*-continuous but not semi* δ -continuous. It is clear that for the open set $V = \{a, b, c\}$ in (Y, σ) , $f^{-1}(V) = \{a, c, d\}$ is pre*-open but not semi* δ -open in (X, τ) .

From the above the discussions we have the following diagram:



Theorem 3.30: A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is semi* δ -continuous if and only if $f^{-1}(U)$ is semi* δ -closed in (X, τ) for every closed set U in (Y, σ) .

Proof. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be semi* δ -continuous and U be a closed set in (Y, σ) . Then $V = Y \setminus U$ is open in Y . Then $f^{-1}(V)$ is semi* δ -open in X . Therefore $f^{-1}(U) = f^{-1}(Y \setminus V) = X \setminus f^{-1}(V)$ is semi* δ -closed.
 Converse: Let V be an open set in Y . Then $U = Y \setminus V$ is closed in Y . By assumption, $f^{-1}(U)$ is semi* δ -closed in X . Hence $f^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(Y \setminus U) = X \setminus f^{-1}(U)$ is semi* δ -open in X . Therefore f is semi* δ -continuous.

Remark 3.31: The composition of two semi* δ -continuous functions need not be semi* δ -continuous and this can be shown by the following example.

Example 3.32: Let $X = Y = Z = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$, $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, Y\}$ and $\eta = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b, c\}, Z\}$. Define $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a)=b; f(b)=a; f(c)=d; f(d)=c$ and define $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ by $g(a)=g(d)=a; g(b)=c$ and $g(c)=b$. Then f and g are semi* δ -continuous but $g \circ f$ is not semi* δ -continuous. Since $\{a\}$ is open in (Z, η) but $(g \circ f)^{-1}(\{a\}) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(\{a\})) = f^{-1}(\{a, d\}) = \{b, c\}$ which is not semi* δ -open in (X, τ) .

Theorem 3.33: Let (X, τ) and (Z, η) be topological spaces and (Y, σ) be a space in which every semi* δ -open set is open, then the composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ of semi* δ -continuous functions $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ and $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is semi* δ -continuous.

Proof: Let G be any open set of (Z, η) . Since g is semi* δ -continuous $g^{-1}(G)$ is semi* δ -open in (Y, σ) . Then by assumption, $g^{-1}(G)$ is open in (Y, σ) . Hence $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(G)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(G)$ is semi* δ -open in (X, τ) . Thus $g \circ f$ is semi* δ -continuous.

Theorem 3.34: Let (X, τ) and (Z, η) be topological spaces and (Y, σ) be $T_{1/2}$ -space then the composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ of semi* δ -continuous $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ and g -continuous function $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is semi* δ -continuous.

Proof: Let G be any closed set of (Z, η) . Since g is g -continuous $g^{-1}(G)$ is g -closed in (Y, σ) . Also since (Y, σ) is $T_{1/2}$ -space, $g^{-1}(G)$ is closed in (Y, σ) .

Hence $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(G)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(G)$ is semi* δ -closed in (X, τ) . Thus $g \circ f$ is semi* δ -continuous.

Theorem 3.35: If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is semi* δ -continuous and $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is continuous. Then their composition $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is semi* δ -continuous.

Proof: Let G be open in (Z, η) . Thus $g^{-1}(G)$ is open in (Y, σ) . Since f is semi* δ -continuous $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(G)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(G)$ is semi* δ -open in (X, τ) . Thus $g \circ f$ is semi* δ -continuous.

Theorem 3.36: Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) The function f is semi* δ -continuous.
- (ii) $f^{-1}(F)$ is semi* δ -closed in X for every closed set F in Y .
- (iii) $f(s^*\delta Cl(A)) \subseteq Cl(f(A))$ for every subset A of X .
- (iv) $s^*\delta Cl(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(Cl(B))$ for every subset B of Y .
- (v) $f^{-1}(Int(B)) \subseteq s^*\delta Int(f^{-1}(B))$ for every subset B of Y .
- (vi) $Int^*(\alpha Cl(f^{-1}(F))) = Int^*(f^{-1}(F))$ for every closed set F in Y .
- (vii) $Cl^*(\alpha Int(f^{-1}(V))) = Cl^*(f^{-1}(V))$ for every open set V in Y .

Proof: (i) \Leftrightarrow (ii): This follows from theorem 3.30.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii): Let $A \subseteq X$. Let F be a closed set containing $f(A)$. Then by (ii), $f^{-1}(F)$ is a semi* δ -closed set containing A . This implies that $s^*\delta Cl(A) \subseteq f^{-1}(F)$ and hence $f(s^*\delta Cl(A)) \subseteq F$.

Therefore $f(s^*\delta Cl(A)) \subseteq Cl(f(A))$.

(iii) \Rightarrow (iv): Let $B \subseteq Y$ and let $A = f^{-1}(B)$. By assumption, $f(s^*\delta Cl(A)) \subseteq Cl(f(A)) \subseteq Cl(B)$. This implies that $s^*\delta Cl(A) \subseteq f^{-1}(Cl(B))$. Therefore $s^*\delta Cl(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(Cl(B))$.

(iv) \Leftrightarrow (v): The equivalence of (iv) and (v) can be proved by taking the complements.

(v) \Leftrightarrow (ii): Follows from Theorem 2.10.

(vii) \Leftrightarrow (i): Follows from Theorem 2.9.

IV. SEMI* \square -IRRESOLUTE FUNCTIONS

Definition 4.1: A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be **semi* \square -irresolute** if $f^{-1}(V)$ is semi* δ -open in X for every semi* δ -open set V in Y .

Theorem 4.2: If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is semi* δ -irresolute and $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is semi* δ -continuous then $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is semi* δ -continuous.

Proof: Let G be any open set of (Z, η) . Since g is semi* δ -continuous $g^{-1}(G)$ is semi* δ -open in (Y, σ) . Since f is semi* δ -irresolute $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(G)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(G)$ is semi* δ -open in (X, τ) . Thus $(g \circ f)$ is semi* δ -continuous.

Theorem 4.3: If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is semi* δ -irresolute and $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is semi* δ -irresolute then $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is semi* δ -irresolute.

Proof: Let G be semi* δ -open in (Z, η) . Since g is semi* δ -irresolute, $g^{-1}(G)$ is semi* δ -open in (Y, σ) . Since f is semi* δ -irresolute $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(G)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(G)$ is semi* δ -open in (X, τ) . Thus $(g \circ f)$ is semi* δ -irresolute.

Theorem 4.4: Let X be a topological space and Y be a space in which every semi* δ -open set is open. If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is a semi* δ -continuous map, then f is semi* δ -irresolute.

Proof: Let G be semi* δ -open set in (Y, σ) . Then by assumption, G is open in (Y, σ) . Since f is semi* δ -continuous, $f^{-1}(G)$ is semi* δ -open in (X, τ) . Thus f is semi* δ -irresolute.

Theorem 4.5: Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. Then the following are equivalent:

- (i) f is semi* δ -irresolute.
- (ii) $f^{-1}(F)$ is semi* δ -closed in X for every semi* δ -closed set F in Y .
- (iii) $f(s^*\delta Cl(A)) \subseteq s^*\delta Cl(f(A))$ for every subset A of X .
- (iv) $s^*\delta Cl(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(s^*\delta Cl(B))$ for every subset B of Y .
- (v) $f^{-1}(s^*\delta Int(B)) \subseteq s^*\delta Int(f^{-1}(B))$ for every subset B of Y .
- (vi) $Int^*(\delta Cl(f^{-1}(F))) = Int^*(f^{-1}(F))$ for every semi* δ -closed set F in Y .
- (vii) $Cl^*(\delta Int(f^{-1}(V))) = Cl^*(f^{-1}(V))$ for every semi* δ -open set V in Y .

Proof:

(i) \Rightarrow (ii): Let F be a semi* δ -closed set in Y . Then $V = Y \setminus F$ is semi* δ -open in Y . Then $f^{-1}(V)$ is semi* δ -open in X . Therefore $f^{-1}(F) = f^{-1}(Y \setminus V) = X \setminus f^{-1}(V)$ is semi* δ -closed.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i): Let V be a semi* δ -open set in Y . Then $F = Y \setminus V$ is semi* δ -closed. By (ii), $f^{-1}(F)$ is semi* δ -closed. Hence

$f^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(Y \setminus F) = X \setminus f^{-1}(F)$ is semi* δ -open in X .

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii): Let $A \subseteq X$. Let F be a semi* δ -closed set containing $f(A)$. Then by (ii), $f^{-1}(F)$ is a semi* δ -closed set containing A . This implies that $s^*\delta Cl(A) \subseteq f^{-1}(F)$ and hence $f(s^*\delta Cl(A)) \subseteq F$. Therefore $f(s^*\delta Cl(A)) \subseteq s^*\delta Cl(f(A))$.

(iii) \Rightarrow (iv): Let $B \subseteq Y$ and let $A = f^{-1}(B)$. By assumption, $f(s^*\delta Cl(A)) \subseteq s^*\delta Cl(f(A)) \subseteq s^*\delta Cl(B)$. This implies that $s^*\delta Cl(A) \subseteq f^{-1}(s^*\delta Cl(B))$. Hence

$s^*\delta Cl(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(s^*\delta Cl(B))$.

(iv) \Leftrightarrow (v): The equivalence of (iv) and (v) can be proved by taking the complements.

(vi) \Leftrightarrow (ii): Follows from Theorem 2.10.

(vii) \Leftrightarrow (i): Follows from Theorem 2.9.

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