

On Strongly g^* -continuous Maps and Pasting Lemma in Topological Spaces

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ABSTRACT

The objective of the present paper is to introduce new classes of functions called Strongly g^* -continuous maps .We obtain some characterizations of these classes and several properties are studied.Also we prove Pasting lemma for Strongly g^* -continuous maps.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Strong forms of continuous maps have been introduced and investigated by several mathematicians.Strongly continuous maps,perfectly continuous maps,completely continuous maps,super continuous maps were introduced by Levine[6],Noiri[9],Munshi[8] and Tong[15]respectively. Noiri[10] introduced a new concept called strongly θ continuity which is stronger than continuity.Lang[5] studied strongly θ continuous functions.Balachandran et al[2] have introduced and studied generalized semi-continuous maps,semi-locally continuous maps ,semi -generalized locally continuous maps and generalized locally continuous maps.Sundaram[14] introduced and studied g -continuous functions.Maki[7]studied the Pasting Lemma for α - continuous maps.Parimelazhagan[12]introduced and studied strongly g^* -closed sets.

In this paper we introduce and study the concepts of a new class of maps,namely Strongly g^* -continuous maps which includes the class of continuous maps .Also we prove a pasting lemma for strongly g^* -continuous maps.

2. PRELIMINARIES

Before entering into our work, we recall the following definitions which are due to Levine.

Definition 2.1[6]: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be strongly continuous if $f^{-1}(V)$ is both open and closed in X for each subset V of Y .

Definition 2.2[1]:A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be completely continuous if $f^{-1}(V)$ is regular open in X for each open set V of Y

Definition 2.3[11]:A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be perfectly continuous if $f^{-1}(V)$ is both open and closed in X for each open set V of Y .

Definition 2.4[9]: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be α continuous or strongly semi continuous if $f^{-1}(V)$ is α open in X for each open set V of Y .

Definition 2.5[3]: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be generalized continuous(g -continuous) if $f^{-1}(V)$ is g -open in X for each open set V of Y

Definition 2.6[12]: Let (X, τ) be a topological space and A be its subset , then A is strongly g^* -closed set if $cl(int(A)) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is g -open.

Definition 2.7[13]: A map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ from a topological space X into a topological space Y is called strongly g^* irresolute(sg^* -irresolute) if the inverse image of every sg^* - closed set in Y is sg^* -closed in X .

3. STRONGLY G^* -CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS

In this section we have introduce the concept of strongly g^* -continuous functions in topological space.

Definition 3.1:Let X and Y be topological spaces. A map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be strongly g^* continuous (sg^* - continuous) if the inverse image of every open set Y is sg^* -open in X .

Theorem 3.2: If a map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ from a topological space X into a topological space Y is continuous then it is sg^* - continuous .

Proof: Let V be an open set in Y .Since f is continuous $f^{-1}(v)$ is open in X .As open set is sg^* - open , $f^{-1}(v)$ is sg^* -open in X . Therefore f is sg^* -continuous.

Remark 3.3:The converse of the above theorem neednot be true as seen from the following example.

Example 3.4: Let $X=Y= \{a,b,c\}$ with $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, Y, \{b\}, \{b, c\}\}$ Let $f :X \rightarrow Y$ be defined by $f(a)=b, f(b)=c, f(c)=a$ then f is sg^* -continuous but not continuous as the inverse image of the open set $\{b,c\}$ in Y is $\{a,b\}$ is not open in X .

Theorem 3.5: A map $f:X \rightarrow Y$ is sg^* -continuous if and only if the inverse image of every closed set in Y is sg^* - closed in X .

Proof:Let F be closed in Y .Then F^c is open in Y . Since f is sg^* -continuous, $f^{-1}(F)$ is sg^* -open in X . But $f^{-1}(F^c) =X - f^{-1}(F)$ and so $f^{-1}(F)$ is sg^* -closed in X .

Conversely assume that the inverse image of every closed set in Y is sg^* -closed in X .Let V be an open set in Y .Then V^c is closed in Y . By hypothesis $f^{-1}(V^c)= X - f^{-1}(V)$ is sg^* - closed in X and so $f^{-1}(V)$ is sg^* - open in X . Thus f is sg^* - continuous.

Theorem 3.6: Let X and Y be topological spaces.If a map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is sg^* -continuous then it is g continuous .

Proof: Assume that a map $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is sg^* -continuous. Let V be an open set in Y .Since f is continuous $f^{-1}(V)$ is sg^* -open and hence g - open in X .Therefore f is g -continuous.

Remark 3.7: The converse of the above theorem need not be true as seen from the following example.

Example 3.8: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ with $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, Y, \{a, c\}\}$ and f be identity map. Then f is g -continuous but not sg^* -continuous as the inverse image of the openset $\{a, c\}$ in Y is $\{a, c\}$ in X is not sg^* -open.

Theorem 3.9: Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a map from a topological space (X, τ) into a topological space (Y, σ)

(i)The following statements are equivalent. a) f is sg^* - continuous. b)The inverse image of each open set in Y is sg^* -open in X .

(ii).If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is sg^* -continuous then $f(cl^*(A)) \subset \overline{f(A)}$ for every subset A of X .(Here $cl^*(A)$ is the closure of A as defined by Dunham[4]).

iii).(a)For each point $x \in X$ and each open set V containing $f(x)$,there exist a sg^* -open set U containing x suchthat $f(U) \subset V$

(b)For every subset A of X , $f(cl^*(A)) \subset \overline{f(A)}$ holds (c)The map $f : (X, \tau^*) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ from a topological space (X, τ^*) defined by Dunham[6] into topological space (Y, σ) is continuous.

Proof: (i) Assume that $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is sg^* continuous. Let G be open in Y . Then G^c is closed in Y . Since f is sg^* continuous $f^{-1}(G^c)$ is sg^* -closed in X . But $f^{-1}(G^c) = X - f^{-1}(G)$. Thus $X - f^{-1}(G)$ is sg^* -closed in X and so $f^{-1}(G)$ is sg^* -open in X . Therefore (a) implies (b). Conversely assume that the inverse image of each open set in Y is sg^* -open in X . Let F be any closed set in Y . Then F^c is open in Y . By assumption, $f^{-1}(F^c)$ is sg^* open in X . But $f^{-1}(F^c) = X - f^{-1}(F)$. Thus $X - f^{-1}(F)$ is sg^* -open in X and so $f^{-1}(F)$ is sg^* -closed in X . Therefore f is sg^* -continuous. Hence(b) implies (a). Thus (a) and (b) are equivalent.

(ii). Assume that f is sg^* continuous. Let A be any subset of X . Then $\overline{f(A)}$ is closed set in Y . Since f is sg^* continuous, $f^{-1}(\overline{f(A)})$ is sg^* closed in X and it contains A . But $cl^*(A)$ is the intersection of all sg^* -closed sets containing A . Therefore $cl^*(A) \subset f^{-1}(\overline{f(A)})$ and so $f(cl^*(A)) \subset \overline{f(A)}$ (iii). (a) \Rightarrow (b) Let $Y \in f(cl^*(A))$ and let V be any open neighbourhood of Y . Then there exist a point $x \in A$ and a sg^* -open set V suchthat $f(x) \in V$, $x \in cl^*(A)$ and $f(V) \subset V$. Since $x \in cl^*(A)$, $V \cap A \neq \emptyset$ holds and hence $f(A) \cap V \neq \emptyset$. Therefore we have $Y \in \overline{f(A)}$

(b) \Rightarrow (a). Let $x \in X$ and V be any open set containing $f(x)$. Let $A = f^{-1}(V^c)$, then $x \notin A$. Now $cl^*(A) \subset f^{-1}(f(cl^*(A))) \subset f^{-1}(V^c) = A$. i.e. $cl^*(A) \subset A$. But $A \subset cl^*(A)$ Therefore $A = cl^*(A)$, then since $x \notin cl^*(A)$ there exist a sg^* -open set U containing x suchthat $U \cap A = \emptyset$ and hence $f(U) \subset f(A^c) \subset V$.

(b) \Rightarrow (c). By assumption $f(cl^*(A)) \subset \overline{f(A)}$. Therefore f is sg^* continuous. (c) \Rightarrow (b) Let A be any subset of X . Then $\overline{f(A)}$ is a closed set in Y . Since f is continuous $f^{-1}(\overline{f(A)})$ is closed in X . Now $A \subset f^{-1}(\overline{f(A)}) \Rightarrow cl^*(A) \subset cl^*f^{-1}(\overline{f(A)}) = f^{-1}(\overline{f(A)})$. Since $f^{-1}(\overline{f(A)})$ is closed in X , $\Rightarrow f(cl^*(A)) \subset \overline{f(A)}$

Remark 3.10: The converse of the theorem 3.9(ii) need not be true as seen from the following example

Example 3.11: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, Y, \{a, c\}\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a map defined by $f(a)=b, f(b)=a$ and $f(c)=c$. Then for every subset $A, f(cl^*(A))$

Theorem 3.12: If a map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ from a topological space X into a topological space Y is continuous then it is sg^* - continuous.

Proof: Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be continuous. Let F be any closed set in Y . Then the inverse image $f^{-1}(F)$ is closed in X . Since every closed set is sg^* -closed $f^{-1}(F)$ is sg^* -closed in X . Therefore f is sg^* -continuous.

Remark 3.13: The converse need not be true as seen from the following example.

Example 3.14: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}\}$, $Y = \{p, q\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{p\}, Y\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be defined by $f(a)=f(c)=q, f(b)=p$. Then f is sg^* - continuous. But f is not continuous since for the open set $G = \{p\}$ in $Y, f^{-1}(G) = \{b\}$ is not open in X .

Theorem 3.15: Let X and Y be any topological spaces and Z be a $T_{1/2}$ spaces. Then the composition $gof : X \rightarrow Z$ of the sg^* -continuous maps $f : X \rightarrow Y$ and $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ is also sg^* -continuous.

proof: Let F be a closed in Z . Since g is sg^* -continuous, $g^{-1}(F)$ is sg^* -closed in Y . But Y is $T_{1/2}$ space and so $g^{-1}(F)$ is closed. Since f is sg^* -continuous, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F))$ is sg^* -closed in X . But $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F)) = (gof)^{-1}(F)$. Therefore gof is sg^* -continuous.

Remark 3.16: The following example shows that the above theorem neednot be true if Y is not $T_{1/2}$

Example 3.17: Let $X = Y = Z = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a, b\}\}$, $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, Y\}$, $\eta = \{\emptyset, \{a, c\}, Z\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be defined by $f(a)=c, f(b)=b, f(c)=c$. Let $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ be the identity map. Then f and g are sg^* -continuous. But gof is not a g continuous. Since $F = \{b\}$ is closed in Z , $g^{-1}(F) = F$ and $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F)) = F$ is not g closed in X . Therefore gof is non sg^* - continuous.

Theorem 3.18: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a sg^* - continuous maps from a topological space X into a topological space Y and let H be a closed subset of X . Then the restriction $f|_H : H \rightarrow Y$ is sg^* continuous where H is endowed with the relative topology

Proof: Let F be any closed subset in Y . Since f is sg^* - continuous, $f^{-1}(F)$ is sg^* -closed in X . Levine[13] has proved that intersection of a closed set is closed. Pari[25] has proved that intersection of two sg^* -closed set is sg^* -closed set. Thus if $f^{-1}(F) \cap H = H_1$ then H_1 is a sg^* -closed set in X . Since $(f|_H)^{-1}(F) = H_1$, it is sufficient to show that H_1 is sg^* -closed in H . Let G_1 be any open set of H suchthat $G_1 \supset H_1$. Let $G_1 = G \cap H$ where G is open in X . Now $H_1 \subset G \cap H \subset G$. Since H_1 is sg^* -closed in X , $\overline{H_1} \subset G$. Now $cl_H(H_1) = \overline{H_1} \cap H \subset G \cap H = G_1$ where $cl_H(A)$ is the closure of a subset $A \subset H$ in a subspace H of X . Therefore $f|_H$ is sg^* - continuous.

Remark 3.19: In the above theorem the assumption of closedness of H cannot be removed as seen from the following example.

Example 3.20: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, X\}$, $Y = \{p, q\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{p\}, Y\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be defined by $f(a)=f(c)=q, f(b)=p$. Then f is sg^* - continuous. Now $H = \{a, b\}$ is not closed in X . Then f is sg^* -continuous but the restriction $f|_H$ is not sg^* - continuous. Since for the closed set $F = \{q\}$ in Y , $f^{-1}(F) = \{a, c\}$ and $f^{-1}(F) \cap H = \{a\}$ is not sg^* -closed in H .

4. PASTING LEMMA FOR SG^* - CLOSED SETS

In this section we have introduce the concept of Pasting Lemma for sg^* - continuous maps in topological space.

Theorem 4.1: Let $X = A \cup B$ be a topological space with topology τ and Y be a topological space with topology σ . Let $f : (A, \tau|_A \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ and $g : (B, \tau|_B \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be sg^* continuous maps suchthat $f(x)=g(x)$ for every $x \in A \cap B$. Suppose that A and B are sg^* closed in X . Then the combination $\alpha : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is sg^* continuous.

Proof: Let F be any closed set in Y . Clearly $\alpha^{-1}(F) = f^{-1}(F) \cup g^{-1}(F) = C \cup D$ where $C = f^{-1}(F)$ and $D = g^{-1}(F)$. But C is sg^* closed in A and A is sg^* closed in X and so C is sg^* closed in X . Since previous paper proved that if $B \subset A \subset X$, B is sg^* closed in A and A is sg^* closed in X then B is sg^* closed in X . Similarly D is sg^* closed in X . Also $C \cup D$ is sg^* closed in X . Therefore $\alpha^{-1}(F)$ is sg^* closed in X . Hence α is sg^* - continuous.

5. FURTHER STUDY ON STRONGLY G^* IRRESOLUTE MAPS

In this section we have introduce the continuation study on strongly g^* -irresolute maps in topological space.

Theorem 5.1: A map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is sg^* - irresolute if and only if the inverse image of every sg^* - open set in sg^* is open in X .

Proof: Assume that f is sg^* - irresolute. Let A be any sg^* - open set in Y . Then A^c is sg^* - closed in Y . Since f is sg^* - irresolute, $f^{-1}(A^c)$ is sg^* -closed in X . But $f^{-1}(A^c) = X - f^{-1}(A)$ and so $f^{-1}(A)$ is sg^* -open in X . Hence the inverse image of every sg^* -open set in Y is sg^* -open in X . Conversely assume that the inverse image of every sg^* -open in Y is sg^* -open in X . Let A be any sg^* -closed set in Y . Then A^c is sg^* -open in Y . By assumption $f^{-1}(A^c)$ is sg^* -open in X . But $f^{-1}(A^c) = X - f^{-1}(A)$ and so $f^{-1}(A)$ is sg^* -closed in X . Therefore f is sg^* -irresolute.

Theorem 5.2: A map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is sg^* -irresolute then it is sg^* -continuous.

Proof: Assume that f is sg^* -irresolute. Let F be any closed set in Y . Since every closed set is sg^* -closed. F is sg^* -closed in Y . Since f is sg^* -irresolute, $f^{-1}(F)$ is sg^* -closed in X . Therefore f is sg^* -continuous.

Remark 5.3: The converse need not be true as seen from the following example

Example 5.4: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, Y\}$. Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be defined by $f(a)=f(c)=a$, and $f(b)=b$. Then f is sg^* -continuous. However $\{a, c\}$ is sg^* -closed in Y but $f^{-1}\{a, c\} = \{a, c\}$ is not sg^* -closed in X . Therefore f is not sg^* -irresolute.

Theorem 5.5: Let X, Y and Z be any topological spaces. For any sg^* -irresolute map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and any sg^* -continuous map $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ the composition $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$ is sg^* -continuous

proof: Let F be any closed set in Z . Since g is sg^* -continuous $g^{-1}(F)$ is sg^* -closed in Y . Since f is sg^* -irresolute, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(F)$. Therefore $g \circ f$ is sg^* -continuous

Theorem 5.6: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ from a topological space X into a topological space Y is bijective, open and sg^* -continuous then f is sg^* -irresolute

Proof: Let A be a sg^* -closed set in Y . Let $f^{-1}(A) \subset O$ where O is open in X . Therefore $A \subset f(O)$ holds. Since $f(O)$ is open and A is sg^* -closed in Y , $\overline{A} \subset f(O)$ holds and hence $f^{-1}(\overline{A}) \subset O$. Since f is sg^* -continuous and \overline{A} is closed in Y , $f^{-1}(\overline{A}) \subset O$ and so $f^{-1}(A) \subset O$. Therefore $f^{-1}(A)$ is sg^* -closed in X . Hence f is sg^* -irresolute.

Remark 5.7: The following examples show that no assumption of above theorem can be removed

Example 5.8: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, Y\}$. Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be defined by $f(a)=f(c)=a$ and $f(b)=b$. Then f is sg^* -continuous and open but it is not bijective and f is not sg^* -irresolute since for the sg^* -closed set $G = \{a, c\}$ in Y , $f^{-1}(G) = \{a, c\}$ is not sg^* -closed in X .

Example 5.9: Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be the topological spaces in Example 2.2 the identity map $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is sg^* -continuous, bijective and not open. And f is not sg^* -irresolute. Since for the sg^* -closed set $G = \{a, c\}$ in Y , $f^{-1}(G)=G$ is not sg^* -closed in X .

Example 5.10: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, X\}$ and σ be the discrete topology of Y . Then the identity map $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is bijective open and not sg^* -continuous and f is not sg^* -irresolute since for the sg^* -closed set $G = \{a\}$ in Y , $f^{-1}(G)=G$ is not sg^* -closed in X . The following two examples show that the concept of irresolute maps and sg^* -irresolute maps are independent of each other.

Example 5.11: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, Y\}$. Then the identity map $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is irresolute since for the sg^* -closed set $G = \{a\}$ in Y , $f^{-1}(G)$ is not sg^* -closed in X .

Example 5.12: Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be the spaces defined in above. Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a map defined by $f(a)=c$, $f(b)=b$ and $f(c)=a$. Then f is sg^* -irresolute, but it is not irresolute. Since for the sg^* -closed set $G = \{b\}$ in Y , $f^{-1}(G)=G$ is not sg^* -closed in X .

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