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ON α - \mathcal{I}_s -OPEN SETS AND α - \mathcal{I}_s -CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS

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Abstract. In this paper, we study the concepts of α - \mathcal{I}_s -open sets and α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous functions introduced in [14] and some properties of the functions. Also we introduce notion of α - \mathcal{I}_s -open and α - \mathcal{I}_s -closed functions.

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1. INTRODUCTION

In 1965, Njastad [13] introduced α -open sets and studied some of their properties. Later in 1983, Mashhour *et al.* [12] defined and studied α -continuity and α -openness in topological spaces. Where as in 2002, Hatir and Noiri [4] have introduced α - \mathcal{I} -open sets and α - \mathcal{I} -continuous and obtain decomposition of continuity in ideal topological spaces. Recently we introduce α - \mathcal{I}_s -open sets and α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous and obtain its decomposition.

In this paper we obtain several characterization of α - \mathcal{I}_s -open sets and α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous functions. Also we introduce α - \mathcal{I}_s -open and α - \mathcal{I}_s -closed functions.

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2. PRELIMINARIES

Let (X, τ) be a topological space with no separation properties assumed. For a subset A of a topological space (X, τ) , $cl(A)$ and $int(A)$ denote the closure and interior of A in (X, τ) respectively.

An ideal \mathcal{I} on a topological space (X, τ) is a nonempty collection of subsets of X which satisfies: (1) $A \in \mathcal{I}$ and $B \subseteq A$ implies $B \in \mathcal{I}$ (2) $A \in \mathcal{I}$ and $B \in \mathcal{I}$ implies $A \cup B \in \mathcal{I}$.

If (X, τ) is a topological space and \mathcal{I} is an ideal on X , then (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is called an ideal topological space or an ideal space.

Let $P(X)$ be the power set of X . Then the operator $(\)^* : P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$, called a local function [9] of A with respect to τ and \mathcal{I} , is defined as follows: for $A \subseteq X$, $A^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau) = \{x \in X : U \cap A \notin \mathcal{I} \text{ for every open set } U \text{ containing } x\}$. We simply write A^* instead of $A^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$ in case there is no confusion. For every ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) there exists topology τ^* finer than τ , generated by $\beta(\mathcal{I}, \tau) = \{U \setminus J : U \in \tau \text{ and } J \in \mathcal{I}\}$ but in general $\beta(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$ is not always a topology. Additionally $cl^*(A) = A \cup A^*$ defines Kuratowski closure operator for a topology τ^* finer than τ . Throughout this paper X denotes the ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) and also $int^*(A)$ denotes the interior of A with respect to τ^* .

Definition 2.1. Let (X, τ) be a topological space. A subset A of X is said to be semi-open [10] if there exists an open set U in X such that $U \subseteq A \subseteq cl(U)$. The complement of a semi-open set is said to be semi-closed. The collection of all semi-open (resp. semi-closed) sets in X is denoted by $SO(X)$ (resp. $SC(X)$). The semi-closure of A in (X, τ) is denoted by the intersection of all semi-closed sets containing A and is denoted by $scl(A)$.

Definition 2.2. For $A \subseteq X$, $A_*(\mathcal{I}, \tau) = \{x \in X / U \cap A \notin \mathcal{I} \text{ for every } U \in SO(X)\}$ is called the semi-local function [7] of A with respect to \mathcal{I} and τ , where $SO(X, x) = \{U \in SO(X) : x \in U\}$. We simply write A instead of $A_*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$ in case there is no ambiguity.

It is given in [2] that $\tau^{*s}(\mathcal{I})$ is a topology on X , generated by the sub basis $\{U - E : U \in SO(X) \text{ and } E \in I\}$ or equivalently $\tau^{*s}\mathcal{I} = \{U \subseteq X : cl^{*s}(X - U) = X - U\}$. The closure operator cl^{*s} for a topology $\tau^{*s}(\mathcal{I})$ is defined as follows: for $A \subseteq X$, $cl^{*s}(A) = A \cup A_*$ and int^{*s} denotes the interior of the set A in $(X, \tau^{*s}, \mathcal{I})$. It is known that $\tau \subseteq \tau^*(\mathcal{I}) \subseteq \tau^{*s}(\mathcal{I})$. A subset A of

(X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is called semi- $*$ -perfect [8] if $A = A_*$. $A \subseteq (X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ is called $*$ -semi dense in-itself [8](resp. semi- $*$ -closed [8]) if $A \subset A_*$ (resp. $A_* \subseteq A$)

Lemma 2.3. [7] *Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space and A, B subsets of X . Then for the semi-local function the following properties hold:*

- (1) *If $A \subseteq B$ then $A_* \subseteq B_*$.*
- (2) *If $U \in \tau$ then $U \cap A_* \subseteq (U \cap A)_*$*
- (3) *$A_* = scl(A_*) \subseteq scl(A)$ and A_* is semi-closed in X .*
- (4) *$(A_*)_* \subseteq A_*$.*
- (5) *$(A \cup B)_* = A_* \cup B_*$.*
- (6) *If $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$, then $A_* = scl(A)$.*

Definition 2.4. A subset A of a topological space X is said to be

- (1) α -open [13] if $A \subseteq int(cl(int(A)))$,
- (2) pre-open [11] if $A \subseteq int(cl(A))$,
- (3) β -open [1] if $A \subseteq cl(int(cl(A)))$.

Definition 2.5. A subset A of an ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is said to be

- (1) α - \mathcal{I} -open [4] if $A \subseteq int(cl^*(int(A)))$,
- (2) pre- \mathcal{I} -open [3] if $A \subseteq int(cl^*(A))$,
- (3) semi- \mathcal{I} -open [4] if $A \subseteq cl^*(int(A))$.

Definition 2.6. A subset A of an ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is said to be

- (1) α - \mathcal{I}_s -open [14] if $A \subseteq int(cl^{*s}(int(A)))$,
- (2) pre- \mathcal{I}_s -open [14] if $A \subseteq int(cl^{*s}(A))$,
- (3) semi- \mathcal{I}_s -open [14] if $A \subseteq cl^{*s}(int(A))$.

Lemma 2.7. [8] *Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal space and $A \subseteq Y \subseteq X$, where Y is an α -open in X . Then $A_*(\mathcal{I}_Y, \tau|_Y) = A_*(\mathcal{I}, \tau) \cap Y$.*

The family of all α - \mathcal{I}_s -open (resp. semi- \mathcal{I}_s -open, pre- \mathcal{I}_s -open) sets in an ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is denoted by $\alpha ISO(X)$ (resp. $SISO(X)$, $PISO(X)$).

3. α - \mathcal{I}_s -OPEN SETS

Lemma 3.1. *Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space. A subset A of X is α - \mathcal{I}_s -open if and only if it is semi- \mathcal{I}_s -open and pre- \mathcal{I}_s -open.*

Proof. Necessity: This is obvious.

Sufficiency: Let A be semi- \mathcal{I}_s -open and pre- \mathcal{I}_s -open. Then we have $A \subseteq \text{int}(cl^{*s}(A)) \subseteq \text{int}(cl^{*s}(cl^{*s}(\text{int}(A)))) = \text{int}(cl^{*s}(\text{int}(A)))$. This shows that A is α - \mathcal{I}_s -open.

Lemma 3.2. *Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space and A be a subset of X . Then the following properties hold.*

- (1) *If U is open in (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) , then $U \cap cl^{*s}(A) \subseteq cl^{*s}(U \cap A)$.*
- (2) *If $A \subseteq X_\circ \subseteq X$, then $cl_{X_\circ}^{*s}(A) = cl^{*s}(A) \cap X_\circ$.*

Proof. (1) By Lemma 2.3, if $U \in \tau$ then $U \cap A_* \subseteq (U \cap A)_*$ for any subset A of X . Thus we have $U \cap cl^{*s}(A) = U \cap (A_* \cup A) = (U \cap A_*) \cup (U \cap A) \subseteq (U \cap A)_* \cup (U \cap A) = cl^{*s}(U \cap A)$.

(2) By Lemma 2.7 that $A_*(\mathcal{I}_Y, \tau|_Y) = A_*(\mathcal{I}, \tau) \cap Y$. Thus we have $cl_{X_\circ}^{*s}(A) = A_*(\mathcal{I}_{X_\circ}, \tau|_{X_\circ}) \cup A = (A_*(\mathcal{I}, \tau) \cap X_\circ) \cup A = (A_* \cup A) \cap (X_\circ \cup A) = cl^{*s}(A) \cap X_\circ$.

Proposition 3.3. *Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space*

- (1) *If $V \in SISO(X)$ and $A \in \alpha ISO(X)$, then $V \cap A \in SISO(X)$.*
- (2) *If $V \in PISO(X)$ and $A \in \alpha ISO(X)$, then $V \cap A \in PISO(X)$.*

Proof. (1) Let $V \in SISO(X)$ and $A \in \alpha ISO(X)$. By using Lemma 3.2

$$\begin{aligned} V \cap A &\subseteq cl^{*s}(\text{int}(V)) \cap \text{int}(cl^{*s}(\text{int}(A))) \subseteq cl^{*s}(\text{int}(V) \cap \text{int}(cl^{*s}(\text{int}(A)))) \\ &\subseteq cl^{*s}(\text{int}(V) \cap cl^{*s}(\text{int}(A))) \subseteq cl^{*s}(cl^{*s}(\text{int}(V) \cap \text{int}(A))) \subseteq cl^{*s}(\text{int}(V)). \end{aligned}$$

This shows that $V \cap A \in SISO(X)$.

(2) Let $V \in PISO(X)$ and $A \in \alpha ISO(X)$. Then $V \cap A \subseteq \text{int}(cl^{*s}(V)) \cap \text{int}(cl^{*s}(\text{int}(A))) = \text{int}[cl^{*s}(V) \cap cl^{*s}(\text{int}(A))] \subseteq \text{int}[cl^{*s}((cl^{*s}(V)) \cap \text{int}(A))] \subseteq \text{int}[cl^{*s}(cl^{*s}(V \cap \text{int}(A)))] \subseteq \text{int}(cl^{*s}(V \cap A))$. This shows that $V \cap A \in PISO(X)$.

Proposition 3.4. *Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space*

(1) If $A, B \in \alpha ISO(X)$, then $A \cap B \in \alpha ISO(X)$.

(2) If $A_\alpha \in \alpha ISO(X)$ for each $\alpha \in \Delta$, then $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_\alpha \in \alpha ISO(X)$.

Proof. (1) Let $A, B \in \alpha ISO(X)$. By Lemma 3.1 A and B are semi- \mathcal{I}_s -open and pre- \mathcal{I}_s -open and by Proposition 3.3, $A \cap B$ is semi- \mathcal{I}_s -open and pre- \mathcal{I}_s -open. Therefore, by Lemma 3.1 $A \cap B \in \alpha ISO(X)$.

(2) Let $A_\alpha \in \alpha ISO(X)$ for each $\alpha \in \Delta$. Then we have

$$A_\alpha \subseteq \text{int}(cl^{*s}(\text{int}(A_\alpha))) \subseteq \text{int}\left(cl^{*s}\left(\text{int}\left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_\alpha\right)\right)\right)$$

and hence

$$\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_\alpha \subseteq \text{int}\left(cl^{*s}\left(\text{int}\left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_\alpha\right)\right)\right).$$

This shows that $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_\alpha \in \alpha ISO(X)$.

Corollary 3.5. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space. Then the family $\alpha ISO(X)$ is a topology for X such that $\tau \subseteq \alpha ISO(X) \subseteq \tau_\alpha$, where τ_α denotes the family of α -open sets of X .

Proof. Since $\phi, X \in \alpha ISO(X)$, this is an immediate consequence of Proposition 3.4 and [[14] Proposition 3.2].

Theorem 3.6. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space. If $A \in \alpha ISO(X)$ and $A \subseteq X_o \in \alpha ISO(X)$, then $A \in \alpha ISO(X_o)$.

Proof. By using Lemma 3.2 we obtain,

$$\begin{aligned} A &\subseteq \text{int}(cl^{*s}(\text{int}(A \cap X_o))) \cap X_o = \text{int}_{X_o}[\text{int}(cl^{*s}(\text{int}(A \cap X_o))) \cap X_o] \\ &\subseteq \text{int}_{X_o}[cl^{*s}(\text{int}(A \cap X_o)) \cap X_o] = \text{int}_{X_o}[cl_{X_o}^{*s}(\text{int}(A) \cap \text{int}(X_o))] \\ &\subseteq \text{int}_{X_o}[cl_{X_o}^{*s}(\text{int}(A) \cap X_o)] = \text{int}_{X_o}[cl_{X_o}^{*s}(\text{int}_{X_o}(\text{int}(A) \cap X_o))] \\ &\subseteq \text{int}_{X_o}(cl_{X_o}^{*s}(\text{int}_{X_o}(A))). \end{aligned}$$

This shows that $A \in \alpha ISO(X_o)$.

Theorem 3.7. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space. If $X_o \in \alpha ISO(X)$ and $A \in \alpha ISO(X_o)$, then $A \in \alpha ISO(X)$.

Proof. Since $A \in \alpha ISO(X_o)$, $A \subseteq int_{X_o}(cl_{X_o}^{*s}(int_{X_o}(A))) = X_o \cap U$ for some $U \in \tau$. Since $X_o \in \alpha ISO(X)$, by Lemma 3.2,

$$\begin{aligned} A &\subseteq X_o \cap U \subseteq U \cap int(cl^{*s}(int(X_o))) \subseteq int(cl^{*s}(int(U \cap X_o))) \\ &= int(cl^{*s}(int(int_{X_o}(cl_{X_o}^{*s}(int_{X_o}(A)))))) \subseteq int(cl^{*s}(int((cl^{*s}(int_{X_o}(A)) \cap X_o))) \\ &\subseteq int(cl^{*s}(int(cl^{*s}(int_{X_o}(A)))))) \subseteq int(cl^{*s}((int_{X_o}(A)))). \end{aligned}$$

Since $int_{X_o}(A) = V \cap X_o$, for some $V \in \tau$. Therefore we have

$$\begin{aligned} A &\subseteq int(cl^{*s}(V \cap X_o)) \subseteq int(cl^{*s}(V \cap int(cl^{*s}(int(X_o))))) \\ &\subseteq int(cl^{*s}(int(cl^{*s}(int(V \cap X_o))))) \subseteq int(cl^{*s}(int(A))). \end{aligned}$$

This shows that $A \in \alpha ISO(X)$.

4. α - \mathcal{I}_s -CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS

Definition 4.1. [14] A function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous (resp. semi- \mathcal{I}_s -continuous, pre- \mathcal{I}_s -continuous) if the inverse image of each open set of Y is α - \mathcal{I}_s -open (resp. semi- \mathcal{I}_s -open, pre- \mathcal{I}_s -open).

Theorem 4.2. Let $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function. Then the following statements are equivalent.

- (1) f is α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous,
- (2) For each $x \in X$ and each open set $V \subseteq Y$ containing $f(x)$, there exists $W \in \alpha ISO(X)$ such that $x \in W$, $f(W) \subseteq V$,
- (3) The inverse image of each closed set in Y is α - \mathcal{I}_s -closed,
- (4) $cl(int^{*s}(cl(f^{-1}(B)))) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(B))$ for each $B \subseteq Y$,
- (5) $f(cl(int^{*s}(cl(A)))) \subseteq cl(f(A))$ for each $A \subseteq X$.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2) Let $x \in X$ and V be any open set of Y containing $f(x)$. Set $W = f^{-1}(V)$, then by Definition 4.1, W is an α - \mathcal{I}_s -open set containing x and $f(W) \subseteq V$.

(2) \Rightarrow (3) Let F be a closed set of Y . Set $V = Y - F$, then V is open in Y . Let $x \in f^{-1}(V)$, by (2) there exists an α - \mathcal{I}_s -open set W of X containing x such that $f(W) \subseteq V$. Thus we obtain $x \in W \subseteq \text{int}(cl^{*s}(\text{int}(W))) \subseteq \text{int}(cl^{*s}(\text{int}(f^{-1}(V))))$ and hence $f^{-1}(V) \subseteq \text{int}(cl^{*s}(\text{int}(f^{-1}(V))))$. This shows that $f^{-1}(V)$ is α - \mathcal{I}_s -open in X . Hence $f^{-1}(F) = X - f^{-1}(Y - F) = X - f^{-1}(V)$ is α - \mathcal{I}_s -closed in X .

(3) \Rightarrow (4) Let B be any subset of Y . Since $cl(B)$ is closed in Y , by (3) $f^{-1}(cl(B))$ is α - \mathcal{I}_s -closed and $X - f^{-1}(cl(B))$ is α - \mathcal{I}_s -open. Thus $X - f^{-1}(cl(B)) \subseteq \text{int}(cl^{*s}(\text{int}(X - f^{-1}(cl(B)))))) = X - cl(\text{int}^{*s}(cl(f^{-1}(cl(B))))))$. Hence we obtain $cl(\text{int}^{*s}(cl(f^{-1}(B)))) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(B))$.

(4) \Rightarrow (5) Let A be a subset of X . By (4) we have $cl(\text{int}^{*s}(cl(A))) \subseteq cl(\text{int}^{*s}(cl(f^{-1}(f(A)))))) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(f(A)))$ and hence $f(cl(\text{int}^{*s}(cl(A)))) \subseteq cl(f(A))$.

(5) \Rightarrow (1) Let V be any open set of Y . Then by (5), $f(cl(\text{int}^{*s}(cl(f^{-1}(Y - V)))))) \subseteq cl(f(f^{-1}(Y - V))) \subseteq cl(Y - V) = Y - V$. Therefore we have $cl(\text{int}^{*s}(cl(f^{-1}(Y - V)))) \subseteq f^{-1}(Y - V) \subseteq X - f^{-1}(V)$. consequently we obtain that $f^{-1}(V) \subseteq \text{int}(cl^{*s}(\text{int}(f^{-1}(V))))$. This shows that $f^{-1}(V)$ is α - \mathcal{I}_s -open. Thus f is α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous.

Corollary 4.3. Let $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous. Then

$$(1) f(cl^{*s}(U)) \subseteq cl(f(U)) \text{ for each } U \in PISO(X),$$

$$(2) cl^{*s}(f^{-1}(V)) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(V)) \text{ for each } V \in PISO(Y).$$

Proof. (1) Let $U \in PISO(X)$. Then $U \subseteq \text{int}(cl^{*s}(U))$. Therefore by Theorem 4.2, we have $f(cl^{*s}(U)) \subseteq f(cl(U)) \subseteq f(cl(\text{int}(cl^{*s}(U)))) \subseteq f(cl(\text{int}^{*s}(cl(U)))) \subseteq cl(f(U))$.

(2) Let $V \in PISO(Y)$. By Theorem 4.2, $cl^{*s}(f^{-1}(V)) \subseteq cl(f^{-1}(V)) \subseteq cl(f^{-1}(\text{int}(cl^{*s}(V)))) \subseteq cl(\text{int}(cl^{*s}(\text{int}[f^{-1}(\text{int}(cl^{*s}(V))])))) \subseteq cl(\text{int}^{*s}(cl[f^{-1}(\text{int}(cl^{*s}(V))])))) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(\text{int}(cl^{*s}(V)))) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(V))$.

Theorem 4.4. A function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous if and only if semi- \mathcal{I}_s -continuous and pre- \mathcal{I}_s -continuous.

Proof. This is an immediate consequence of Lemma 3.1.

Theorem 4.5. A function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous if and only if $f : (X, \alpha ISO(X)) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is continuous.

Proof. This is an immediate consequence of Corollary 3.5.

Theorem 4.6. A function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous if and only if the graph function $g : X \rightarrow X \times Y$, defined by $g(x) = (x, f(x))$ for each $x \in X$, is α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous.

Proof. Necessity. Suppose that f is α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous. Let $x \in X$ and W be any open set of $X \times Y$ containing $g(x)$. Then there exists a basic open set $U \times V$ such that $g(x) = (x, f(x)) \in U \times V \subseteq W$. Since f is α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous, there exists an α - \mathcal{I}_s -open set U_\circ of X containing x such that $f(U_\circ) \subseteq V$. By Proposition 3.4 $U_\circ \cap U \in \alpha ISO(X, \tau)$ and $g(U_\circ \cap U) \subseteq U \times V \subseteq W$. This shows that g is α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous.

Sufficiency Suppose that g is α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous. Let $x \in X$ and V be any open set of Y containing $f(x)$. Then $X \times V$ is open in $X \times Y$ and by α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuity of g , there exists $U \in \alpha ISO(X, \tau)$ containing x such that $g(U) \subseteq X \times V$. Therefore, we obtain $f(U) \subseteq V$. This shows that f is α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous.

Theorem 4.7. If $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is an α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous function and $X_\circ \in \alpha ISO(X)$, then the restriction $f|_{X_\circ} : (X_\circ, \tau|_{X_\circ}, \mathcal{I}_{X_\circ}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous.

Proof. Let V be any open set of (Y, σ) . Since f is α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous, $f^{-1}(V)$ is α - \mathcal{I}_s -open in (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) and by Proposition 3.4 $f^{-1}(V) \cap X_\circ = (f|_{X_\circ})^{-1}(V) \in \alpha ISO(X)$. Moreover by Theorem 3.6 we have $(f|_{X_\circ})^{-1}(V) \in \alpha ISO(X_\circ)$. This shows that $f|_{X_\circ}$ is α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous.

Theorem 4.8. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space and $\{V_\alpha / \alpha \in \Delta\}$ a cover of X by α - \mathcal{I}_s -open sets of (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) . A function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous if and only if the restriction $f|_{V_\alpha} : (V_\alpha, \tau|_{V_\alpha}, \mathcal{I}_{V_\alpha}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous for each $\alpha \in \Delta$.

Proof. Necessity. Let f be α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous. Then by Theorem 4.7 $f|_{V_\alpha}$ is α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous for each $\alpha \in \Delta$.

Sufficiency. Let $f|_{V_\alpha}$ be α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous for each $\alpha \in \Delta$. For any open set V of (Y, σ) , $(f|_{V_\alpha})^{-1}(V) \in \alpha ISO(V_\alpha)$ for each $\alpha \in \Delta$ and hence $f^{-1}(V) = \bigcup \left\{ (f|_{V_\alpha})^{-1}(V) / \alpha \in \Delta \right\} \in \alpha ISO(X)$. By Proposition 3.4 and Theorem 3.7. This shows that f is α - \mathcal{I}_s -continuous.

5. α - \mathcal{I}_s -OPEN FUNCTIONS

Definition 5.1. A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$ is called α - \mathcal{I}_s -open (resp. semi- \mathcal{I}_s -open, pre- \mathcal{I}_s -open) if the image of each open set in X is an α - \mathcal{I}_s -open (resp. semi- \mathcal{I}_s -open, pre- \mathcal{I}_s -open) set of Y .

Definition 5.2. A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$ is called α - \mathcal{I}_s -closed (resp. semi- \mathcal{I}_s -closed, pre- \mathcal{I}_s -closed) if the image of each closed set in X is an α - \mathcal{I}_s -closed (resp. semi- \mathcal{I}_s -closed, pre- \mathcal{I}_s -closed) set of Y .

Remark 5.3. (1) Every α - \mathcal{I}_s -open (resp. α - \mathcal{I}_s -closed) function is semi- \mathcal{I}_s -open (resp. semi- \mathcal{I}_s -closed) and the converses are false in general.

(2) Every α - \mathcal{I}_s -open (resp. α - \mathcal{I}_s -closed) function is pre- \mathcal{I}_s -open (resp. pre- \mathcal{I}_s -closed) and the converses are false in general.

(3) Every open function is α - \mathcal{I}_s -open but the converse is not true in general.

Example 5.4. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a, b, c\}\}$, $\sigma = \{\emptyset, X, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$ and $\mathcal{J} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$. Define a function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$ as follows $f(a) = a, f(b) = b, f(c) = d, f(d) = c$. Then f is semi- \mathcal{I}_s -open, but it is not α - \mathcal{I}_s -open.

Example 5.5. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$, $\sigma = \{\emptyset, X, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$ and $\mathcal{J} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$. Define a function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$ as follows $f(a) = c, f(b) = b, f(c) = d, f(d) = a$. Then f is pre- \mathcal{I}_s -open, but it is not α - \mathcal{I}_s -open.

Example 5.6. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, c\}\}$, $\sigma = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, c\}\}$ and $\mathcal{J} = \{\emptyset, \{c\}\}$. The identity function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$ is α - \mathcal{I}_s -open, but it is not open.

Theorem 5.7. A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$ is called α - \mathcal{I}_s -open if and only if it is semi- \mathcal{I}_s -open and pre- \mathcal{I}_s -open.

Proof. This is an immediate consequence of Lemma 3.1.

Theorem 5.8. A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$ is called α - \mathcal{I}_s -open if and only if for each subset $W \subseteq Y$ and each closed set F of X containing $f^{-1}(W)$, there exists a α - \mathcal{I}_s -closed set $H \subseteq Y$ containing W such that $f^{-1}(H) \subseteq F$.

Proof: Necessity. Let $H = Y - f(X - F)$. Since $f^{-1}(W) \subseteq F$, we have $f(X - F) \subseteq Y - W$. Since f is α - \mathcal{I}_s -open, then H is α - \mathcal{I}_s -closed and $f^{-1}(H) = X - f^{-1}(f(X - F)) \subseteq X - (X - F) = F$.

Sufficiency. Let U be any open set of X and $W = Y - f(U)$. Then $f^{-1}(W) = X - f^{-1}(f(U)) \subseteq X - U$ and $X - U$ is closed. By the hypothesis, there exists an α - \mathcal{I}_s -closed set H of Y containing W such that $f^{-1}(H) \subseteq X - U$. Then we have $f^{-1}(H) \cap U = \phi$ and $H \cap f(U) = \phi$. Therefore we obtain $Y - f(U) \supseteq H \supseteq W = Y - f(U)$ and $f(U)$ is α - \mathcal{I}_s -open in Y . This shows that f is α - \mathcal{I}_s -open.

Corollary 5.9. *If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$ is α - \mathcal{I}_s -open then the following properties hold.*

- (1) $f^{-1}(cl(int^{*s}(cl(B)))) \subseteq cl(f^{-1}(B))$ for each set $B \subseteq Y$,
- (2) $f^{-1}(cl^{*s}(V)) \subseteq cl(f^{-1}(V))$ for each pre-open set V of Y .

Proof. (1) Let B be any subset of Y . Then $cl(f^{-1}(B))$ is closed in X . By Theorem 5.8, there exists an α - \mathcal{I}_s -closed set $H \subseteq Y$ containing B such that $f^{-1}(H) \subseteq cl(f^{-1}(B))$. Since $Y - H$ is α - \mathcal{I}_s -open, $f^{-1}(Y - H) \subseteq f^{-1}(int(cl^{*s}(int(Y - H))))$ and $X - f^{-1}(H) \subseteq f^{-1}(Y - (cl(int^{*s}(cl(H)))))) = X - f^{-1}(cl(int^{*s}(cl(H))))$. Thus we obtain that $f^{-1}(cl(int^{*s}(cl(B)))) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(int^{*s}(cl(H)))) \subseteq f^{-1}(H) \subseteq cl(f^{-1}(B))$. Therefore we have $f^{-1}(cl(int^{*s}(cl(B)))) \subseteq cl(f^{-1}(B))$.

(2) Let V be any pre-open set of Y . By (1) we obtain $f^{-1}(cl^{*s}(V)) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(V)) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(int(cl(V)))) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(int^{*s}(cl(V)))) \subseteq cl(f^{-1}(V))$.

Theorem 5.10. *A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$ is called pre- \mathcal{I}_s -open (resp. semi- \mathcal{I}_s -open) if and only if for each subset $W \subseteq Y$ and each closed set F of X containing $f^{-1}(W)$, there exists a pre- \mathcal{I}_s -closed (resp. semi- \mathcal{I}_s -closed) set $H \subseteq Y$ containing W such that $f^{-1}(H) \subseteq F$.*

Proof. The Proof is similar to Theorem 5.8.

Corollary 5.11. *Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$ be a function*

- (1) *If f is pre- \mathcal{I}_s -open, then $f^{-1}(cl(int^{*s}(B))) \subseteq cl(f^{-1}(B))$ for any subset B of Y .*
- (2) *If f is semi- \mathcal{I}_s -open, then $f^{-1}(int^{*s}(cl(B))) \subseteq cl(f^{-1}(B))$ for any subset B of Y .*

Proof. The Proof is similar to Corollary 5.9.

Conflict of Interests

The authors declare that there is no conflict of interests.

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