

Weakly g^* -closed Sets

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Abstract: Veera kumar [14] introduced the class of g^* -closed sets. We introduce a new class of generalized closed sets called weakly g^* -closed sets which contains the above mentioned class. Also, we investigate the relationships among the related generalized closed sets.

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1. Introduction

Veerakumar [14] studied and investigated properties of the notion of g^* -closed sets. In this paper, we introduce a new class of generalized closed sets called weakly g^* -closed sets which contains the above mentioned class. Also, we investigate the relationships among the related generalized closed sets.

2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, (X, τ) and (Y, σ) (briefly X and Y) represent non-empty topological spaces. For a subset A of a space X , $\text{cl}(A)$, $\text{int}(A)$ and $C(A)$ denotes the closure of A , the interior of A and the complement of A respectively.

Recall that a subset A of a space X is called nowhere dense if $\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)) = \emptyset$.

Definition 2.1. Let A be a subset of a space X . Then A is called

(1). an α -open [9] if $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)))$.

(2). an α -closed if $C(A)$ is an α -open.

(3). semi-open [6] if $A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$.

(4). semi-closed if $C(A)$ is semi-open.

(5). regular open [11] if $A = \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$.

(6). regular closed if $C(A)$ is regular open.

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The α -closure of a subset A of X , denoted by $\alpha cl(A)$, is defined as the intersection of all α -closed sets containing A .

Definition 2.2. Let X and Y be two topological spaces. A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is called perfectly continuous [1] (resp. R -map [2]) if $f^{-1}(V)$ is clopen (resp. regular open) in X for regular open set V of Y .

Definition 2.3. A subset A of a space X is called π -open [3] if the finite union of regular open sets.

Definition 2.4. A subset A of a topological space X is called

- (1). a weakly g -closed (briefly, wg -closed) set [12] if $cl(int(A)) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in X .
- (2). a weakly πg -closed (briefly, $w\pi g$ -closed) set [10] if $cl(int(A)) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is π -open in X .
- (3). a regular weakly generalized closed (briefly, rwg -closed) set [8] if $cl(int(A)) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is regular open in X .

Definition 2.5. A topological space X is said to be almost connected [4] if X cannot be written as a disjoint union of two non-empty regular open sets.

Remark 2.6 ([3]). For a subset of a topological space, we have following implications:

$$\text{regular open} \Rightarrow \pi\text{-open} \Rightarrow \text{open}$$

Definition 2.7. Let A be a subset of a space X . Then A is called

- (1). g -closed [5] if $cl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in X ;
- (2). g -closed if $C(A)$ is g -open.
- (3). g^* -closed [14] if $cl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is g -open in X ;
- (4). g^* -closed if $C(A)$ is g^* -open.
- (5). αg -closed [7] if $\alpha cl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in X ;
- (6). αg -closed if $C(A)$ is αg -open.

Remark 2.8. In a space X ,

- (1). every closed set is g^* -closed but not conversely.[14]
- (2). every closed set is g -closed but not conversely.[5]

3. Weakly g^* -closed Sets

We introduce the definition of weakly g^* -closed sets in topological spaces and study the relationships of such sets.

Definition 3.1. A subset A of a topological space X is called a weakly g^* -closed (briefly, wg^* -closed) set if $cl(int(A)) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is g -open in X .

Theorem 3.2. Every g^* -closed set is wg^* -closed but not conversely.

Example 3.3. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ with $\tau = \{\phi, \{a, b\}, X\}$. Then the set $\{a\}$ is wg^* -closed set but not a g^* -closed in X .

Theorem 3.4. Every wg^* -closed set is wg -closed but not conversely.

Proof. Let A be any wg^* -closed set and U be any open set containing A . Then U is an g -open set containing A . We have $\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) \subseteq U$. Thus, A is wg -closed. $\square$

Example 3.5. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ with $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, X\}$. Then the set $\{a, b\}$ is wg -closed but not a wg^* -closed.

Theorem 3.6. Every wg^* -closed set is $w\pi g$ -closed but not conversely.

Proof. Let A be any wg^* -closed set and U be any π -open set containing A . Then U is an g -open set containing A . We have $\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) \subseteq U$. Thus, A is $w\pi g$ -closed. $\square$

Example 3.7. In Example 3.5, the set $\{a, c\}$ is $w\pi g$ -closed set but not a wg^* -closed.

Theorem 3.8. Every wg^* -closed set is rwg -closed but not conversely.

Proof. Let A be any wg^* -closed set and U be any regular open set containing A . Then U is an g -open set containing A . We have $\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) \subseteq U$. Thus, A is rwg -closed. $\square$

Example 3.9. In Example 3.5, the set $\{a\}$ is rwg -closed set but not a wg^* -closed.

Theorem 3.10. If a subset A of a topological space X is both closed and g -closed, then it is wg^* -closed in X .

Proof. Let A be a g -closed set in X and U be any open set containing A . Then $U \supseteq \text{cl}(A) \supseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)))$. Since A is closed, $U \supseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$ and U is g -open set containing A . Hence A is wg^* -closed in X . $\square$

Theorem 3.11. If a subset A of a topological space X is both open and wg^* -closed, then it is closed.

Proof. Since A is both open and wg^* -closed, $A \supseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) = \text{cl}(A)$ and hence A is closed in X . $\square$

Corollary 3.12. If a subset A of a topological space X is both open and wg^* -closed, then it is both regular open and regular closed in X .

Theorem 3.13. Let X be a topological space and $A \subseteq X$ be open. Then, A is wg^* -closed if and only if A is g^* -closed.

Proof. Let A be g^* -closed. By Theorem 3.2, it is wg^* -closed. Conversely, let A be wg^* -closed. Since A is open, by Theorem 3.11, A is closed. Hence A is g^* -closed. $\square$

Theorem 3.14. If a set A of X is wg^* -closed, then $\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) - A$ contains no non-empty g -closed set.

Proof. Let F be an g -closed set such that $F \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) - A$. Since F^c is g -open and $A \subseteq F^c$, from the definition of wg^* -closedness it follows that $\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) \subseteq F^c$. i.e., $F \subseteq (\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)))^c$. This implies that $F \subseteq (\text{cl}(\text{int}(A))) \cap (\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)))^c = \phi$. $\square$

Theorem 3.15. If a subset A of a topological space X is nowhere dense, then it is wg^* -closed.

Proof. Since $\text{int}(A) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$ and A is nowhere dense, $\text{int}(A) = \phi$. Therefore $\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) = \phi$ and hence A is wg^* -closed in X . The converse of Theorem 3.15 need not be true as seen in the following example. $\square$

Example 3.16. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ with $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$. Then the set $\{a\}$ is wg^* -closed set but not nowhere dense in X .

Remark 3.17. The following Examples show that wg^* -closedness and semi-closedness are independent.

Example 3.18. In Example 3.3, the set $\{a, c\}$ is wg^* -closed but not semi-closed in X .

Example 3.19. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ with $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$. Then the set $\{a\}$ is semi-closed but not wg^* -closed in X .

Remark 3.20. From the above discussions and known results, we obtain the following diagram, where $A \rightarrow B$ represents A implies B but not conversely.

Diagram

$$\text{closed} \Rightarrow wg^*\text{-closed} \Rightarrow wg\text{-closed} \Rightarrow w\pi g\text{-closed} \Rightarrow rwg\text{-closed}$$

Definition 3.21. A subset A of a topological space X is called wg^* -open set if $C(A)$ is wg^* -closed in X .

Proposition 3.22. Every g -open set is wg^* -open but not conversely.

Theorem 3.23. A subset A of a topological space X is wg^* -open if $G \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$ whenever $G \subseteq A$ and G is g -closed.

Proof. Let A be any wg^* -open. Then A^c is wg^* -closed. Let G be an g -closed set contained in A . Then G^c is an g -open set containing A^c . Since A^c is wg^* -closed, we have $\text{cl}(\text{int}(A^c)) \subseteq G^c$. Therefore $G \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$.

Conversely, we suppose that $G \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$ whenever $G \subseteq A$ and G is g -closed. Then G^c is an g -open set containing A^c and $G^c \supseteq (\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)))^c$. It follows that $G^c \supseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(A^c))$. Hence A^c is wg^* -closed and so A is wg^* -open. $\square$

4. Weakly g^* -continuous Functions

Definition 4.1. Let X and Y be two topological spaces. A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is called

(1). weakly g^* -continuous (briefly, wg^* -continuous) if $f^{-1}(U)$ is a wg^* -open set in X for each open set U of Y .

(2). g^* -continuous [14] if $f^{-1}(U)$ is a g^* -open set in X for each open set U of Y .

(3). contra g^* -continuous [13] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is g^* -closed set of X for every open set V of Y .

Example 4.2. Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ with $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, Y\}$. The function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ defined by $f(a) = b, f(b) = c$ and $f(c) = a$ is wg^* -continuous, because every open subset of Y is wg^* -closed in X .

Theorem 4.3. Every g^* -continuous function is wg^* -continuous.

Proof. It follows from Theorem 3.2. $\square$

The converse of Theorem 4.3 need not be true as seen in the following example.

Example 4.4. Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ with $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{b\}, Y\}$. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be the identity function. Then f is wg^* -continuous but not g^* -continuous.

Theorem 4.5. A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is wg^* -continuous if and only if $f^{-1}(U)$ is a wg^* -closed set in X for each closed set U of Y .

Proof. Let U be any closed set of Y . According to the assumption $f^{-1}(U^c) = X \setminus f^{-1}(U)$ is wg^* -open in X , so $f^{-1}(U)$ is wg^* -closed in X .

The converse can be proved in a similar manner. $\square$

Definition 4.6. A topological space X is said to be locally g^* -indiscrete if every g^* -open set of X is closed in X .

Theorem 4.7. *Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. If f is contra g^* -continuous and X is locally g^* -indiscrete, then f is continuous.*

Proof. Let V be a closed in Y . Since f is contra g^* -continuous, $f^{-1}(V)$ is g^* -open in X . Since X is locally g^* -indiscrete, $f^{-1}(V)$ is closed in X . Hence f is continuous. $\square$

Theorem 4.8. *Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. If f is contra g^* -continuous and X is locally g^* -indiscrete, then f is wg^* -continuous.*

Proof. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be contra g^* -continuous and X is locally g^* -indiscrete. By Theorem 4.7, f is continuous, then f is wg^* -continuous. $\square$

Proposition 4.9. *If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is perfectly continuous and wg^* -continuous, then it is R -map.*

Proof. Let V be any regular open subset of Y . According to the assumption, $f^{-1}(V)$ is both open and closed in X . Since $f^{-1}(V)$ is closed, it is wg^* -closed. We have $f^{-1}(V)$ is both open and wg^* -closed. Hence, by Corollary 3.12, it is regular open in X , so f is R -map. $\square$

Definition 4.10. *A topological space X is called g^* -compact if every cover of X by g^* -open sets has a finite subcover.*

Definition 4.11. *A topological space X is weakly g^* -compact (briefly, wg^* -compact) if every wg^* -open cover of X has a finite subcover.*

Remark 4.12. *Every wg^* -compact space is g^* -compact.*

Theorem 4.13. *Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be surjective wg^* -continuous function. If X is wg^* -compact, then Y is compact.*

Proof. Let $\{A_i : i \in I\}$ be an open cover of Y . Then $\{f^{-1}(A_i) : i \in I\}$ is a wg^* -open cover in X . Since X is wg^* -compact, it has a finite subcover, say $\{f^{-1}(A_1), f^{-1}(A_2), \dots, f^{-1}(A_n)\}$. Since f is surjective $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n\}$ is a finite subcover of Y and hence Y is compact. $\square$

Definition 4.14. *A topological space X is called*

(1). *weakly g^* -connected (briefly, wg^* -connected) if X cannot be written as the disjoint union of two non-empty wg^* -open sets.*

(2). *g^* -connected [13] if X cannot be written as the disjoint union of two non-empty g^* -open sets.*

Theorem 4.15. *If a topological space X is wg^* -connected, then X is almost connected (resp. g^* -connected).*

Proof. It follows from the fact that each regular open set (resp. g^* -open set) is wg^* -open. $\square$

Theorem 4.16. *For a topological space X , the following statements are equivalent:*

(1). *X is wg^* -connected.*

(2). *The empty set ϕ and X are only subsets which are both wg^* -open and wg^* -closed.*

(3). *Each wg^* -continuous function from X into a discrete space Y which has at least two points is a constant function.*

Proof. (1) $\Rightarrow$ (2). Let $S \subseteq X$ be any proper subset, which is both wg^* -open and wg^* -closed. Its complement $X \setminus S$ is also wg^* -open and wg^* -closed. Then $X = S \cup (X \setminus S)$ is a disjoint union of two non-empty wg^* -open sets which is a contradiction with the fact that X is wg^* -connected. Hence, $S = \phi$ or X .

(2) $\Rightarrow$ (1). Let $X = A \cup B$ where $A \cap B = \phi$, $A \neq \phi$, $B \neq \phi$ and A, B are wg^* -open. Since $A = X \setminus B$, A is wg^* -closed. According to the assumption $A = \phi$, which is a contradiction.

(2) $\Rightarrow$ (3). Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a wg^* -continuous function where Y is a discrete space with at least two points. Then $f^{-1}(\{y\})$ is wg^* -closed and wg^* -open for each $y \in Y$ and $X = \bigcup \{f^{-1}(\{y\}) : y \in Y\}$. According to the assumption, $f^{-1}(\{y\}) = \phi$ or $f^{-1}(\{y\}) = X$. If $f^{-1}(\{y\}) = \phi$ for all $y \in Y$, f will not be a function. Also there is no exist more than one $y \in Y$ such that $f^{-1}(\{y\}) = X$. Hence, there exists only one $y \in Y$ such that $f^{-1}(\{y\}) = X$ and $f^{-1}(\{y_1\}) = \phi$ where $y \neq y_1 \in Y$. This shows that f is a constant function.

(3) $\Rightarrow$ (2). Let $S \neq \phi$ be both wg^* -open and wg^* -closed in X . Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a wg^* -continuous function defined by $f(S) = \{a\}$ and $f(X \setminus S) = \{b\}$ where $a \neq b$. Since f is constant function we get $S = X$. $\square$

Theorem 4.17. *Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a wg^* -continuous surjective function. If X is wg^* -connected, then Y is connected.*

Proof. We suppose that Y is not connected. Then $Y = A \cup B$ where $A \cap B = \phi$, $A \neq \phi$, $B \neq \phi$ and A, B are open sets in Y . Since f is wg^* -continuous surjective function, $X = f^{-1}(A) \cup f^{-1}(B)$ are disjoint union of two non-empty wg^* -open subsets. This is contradiction with the fact that X is wg^* -connected. $\square$

5. Weakly g^* -open and Weakly g^* -closed Functions

Definition 5.1. *Let X and Y be topological spaces. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called*

(1). *weakly g^* -open (briefly, wg^* -open) if $f(V)$ is a wg^* -open set in Y for each open set V of X .*

(2). *g^* -open [13] if $f(V)$ is a g^* -open set in Y for each open set V of X .*

Remark 5.2. *Every g^* -open function is wg^* -open but not conversely.*

Example 5.3. *Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$ with $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b, d\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, Y\}$. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be the identity function. Then f is wg^* -open but not g^* -open.*

Definition 5.4. *Let X and Y be topological spaces. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called weakly g^* -closed (briefly, wg^* -closed) if $f(V)$ is a wg^* -closed set in Y for each closed set V of X . It is clear that an open function is wg^* -open and a closed function is wg^* -closed.*

Theorem 5.5. *Let X and Y be topological spaces. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is wg^* -closed if and only if for each subset B of Y and for each open set G containing $f^{-1}(B)$ there exists a wg^* -open set F of Y such that $B \subseteq F$ and $f^{-1}(F) \subseteq G$.*

Proof. Let B be any subset of Y and let G be an open subset of X such that $f^{-1}(B) \subseteq G$. Then $F = Y \setminus f(X \setminus G)$ is wg^* -open set containing B and $f^{-1}(F) \subseteq G$.

Conversely, let U be any closed subset of X . Then $f^{-1}(Y \setminus f(U)) \subseteq X \setminus U$ and $X \setminus U$ is open. According to the assumption, there exists a wg^* -open set F of Y such that $Y \setminus f(U) \subseteq F$ and $f^{-1}(F) \subseteq X \setminus U$. Then $U \subseteq X \setminus f^{-1}(F)$. From $Y \setminus F \subseteq f(U) \subseteq f(X \setminus f^{-1}(F)) \subseteq Y \setminus F$ it follows that $f(U) = Y \setminus F$, so $f(U)$ is wg^* -closed in Y . Therefore f is a wg^* -closed function. $\square$

Remark 5.6. *The composition of two wg^* -closed functions need not be a wg^* -closed as it can be seen from the following Example.*

Example 5.7. Let $X = Y = Z = \{a, b, c\}$ with $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$, $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, Y\}$ and $\eta = \{\phi, \{a, b\}, Z\}$. We define $f : X \rightarrow Y$ by $f(a) = c$, $f(b) = b$ and $f(c) = a$ and let $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ be the identity function. Hence both f and g are wg^* -closed functions. For a closed set $U = \{b, c\}$ in X , $(g \circ f)(U) = g(f(U)) = g(\{a, b\}) = \{a, b\}$ which is not wg^* -closed in Z . Hence the composition of two wg^* -closed functions need not be a wg^* -closed.

Theorem 5.8. Let X , Y and Z be topological spaces. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a closed function and $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ is a wg^* -closed function, then $g \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$ is a wg^* -closed function.

Definition 5.9. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called

- (1). a weakly g^* -irresolute (briefly, wg^* -irresolute) if $f^{-1}(U)$ is a wg^* -open set in X for each wg^* -open set U of Y .
- (2). g^* -irresolute [14] if $f^{-1}(U)$ is a g^* -open set in X for each g^* -open set U of Y .
- (3). an αg -irresolute [7] if $f^{-1}(U)$ is an αg -open set in X for each αg -open set U of Y .

Example 5.10. Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ with $\tau = \{\phi, \{b\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{b\}, Y\}$. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be the identity function. Then f is wg^* -irresolute.

Remark 5.11. The following Examples show that αg -irresoluteness and wg^* -irresoluteness are independent of each other.

Example 5.12. Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ with $\tau = \{\phi, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, Y\}$. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be the identity function. Then f is wg^* -irresolute but not αg -irresolute.

Example 5.13. Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ with $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a, b\}, Y\}$. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be the identity function. Then f is αg -irresolute but not wg^* -irresolute.

Remark 5.14. Every g^* -irresolute function is wg^* -continuous but not conversely. Also, the concepts of g^* -irresoluteness and wg^* -irresoluteness are independent of each other.

Example 5.15. Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$ with $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b, d\}, Y\}$. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be the identity function. Then f is wg^* -continuous but not g^* -irresolute.

Example 5.16. Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ with $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, Y\}$. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be the identity function. Then f is wg^* -irresolute but not g^* -irresolute.

Example 5.17. In Example 5.13, f is g^* -irresolute but not wg^* -irresolute.

Theorem 5.18. The composition of two wg^* -irresolute functions is also wg^* -irresolute.

Theorem 5.19. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ and $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ be functions such that $g \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$ is wg^* -closed function. Then the following statements hold:

- (1). if f is continuous and injective, then g is wg^* -closed.
- (2). if g is wg^* -irresolute and surjective, then f is wg^* -closed.

Proof.

(1). Let F be a closed set of Y . Since $f^{-1}(F)$ is closed in X , we can conclude that $(g \circ f)(f^{-1}(F))$ is wg^* -closed in Z . Hence $g(F)$ is wg^* -closed in Z . Thus g is a wg^* -closed function.

(2). It can be proved in a similar manner as (1).

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Theorem 5.20. *If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is an wg^* -irresolute function, then it is wg^* -continuous.*

Remark 5.21. *The converse of the above Theorem need not be true in general. The function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ in the Example 5.13 is wg^* -continuous but not wg^* -irresolute.*

Theorem 5.22. *If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is surjective wg^* -irresolute function and X is wg^* -compact, then Y is wg^* -compact.*

Theorem 5.23. *If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is surjective wg^* -irresolute function and X is wg^* -connected, then Y is wg^* -connected.*

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