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Abstract. In this paper, we introduce a new class of continuous functions called slightly π gb-continuous functions by using π gb-closed sets in a topological space. Also the relations of slightly π gb-continuous functions with other weak forms of π gb-continuous functions have been investigated.

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INTRODUCTION

In this paper, we introduce a new class of continuous functions called slightly π gb -continuous functions by using π gb-closed sets due to Ahmad Al-Obiadi et al.[1]. Ahmad Al-Obiadi et al.[1] introduced the notion of π gb-closed sets in a topological space and obtained their various properties. In 2004, Ekici and Caldas[6] introduced the notion of slightly γ -continuity (or slightly b-continuity) which is a weakened form of b-continuity. The relationships of slightly π gb-continuity with other weaker forms of continuity viz. weakly π gb-continuity, somewhat π gb-continuity, almost π gb-continuity and faintly π gb-continuity have been studied. Throughout the present paper, X and Y are always topological spaces.

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2. Preliminaries.

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

1. **regular open** [13] if $A = \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$.

2. **b-open**[3](or **γ -open** [7]) if $A \subset \text{int}(\text{cl}(A)) \cup \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$,

3. **gb-closed**[1] (resp. **g^*b -closed**[15]) if $b\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq U$, whenever $A \subseteq U$

and U is open (resp. g -open) in X .

4. **πg -closed** [5] (resp. **π gb-closed**[2], **πgp -closed**[11], **πgsp -closed**[2]) if $\text{cl}(A) \subset U$ (resp. $b\text{-cl}(A) \subset U$, $p\text{-cl}(A)$

$\subset U$, $\text{sp-cl}(A) \subset U$), whenever $A \subset U$ and U is π -open in X .

5. **δ^* -open** [8] if for each $x \in A$, there exists a clopen subset G of X such that $x \in G \subset A$.

6. **θ -open** [14] if for each $x \in A$, there exists an open subset G of X such that $x \in G \subset \text{cl}(G) \subset A$.

7. A subset B of X is said to be a **π gb-neighbourhood** [2] of a point $x \in X$ if there exists a π gb-open set containing x and is contained in A .

The complement of b-closed (resp. gb-closed, g^*b -closed, πg -closed, π gb-closed, πgp -closed, πgsp -closed, δ^* -open, θ -open) set is called **b-open** (resp. **gb-open**, **g^*b -open**, **πg -closed**, **π gb-open**, **πgp -open**, **πgsp -open**, **δ^* -closed**, **θ -closed**) set.

The intersection of all b-closed (resp. δ^* -closed) sets of X containing A is called the **b-closure** (resp. **δ^* -closure**) of A and denoted by **b-cl(A)** (resp. **$\delta^*\text{-cl}(A)$**).

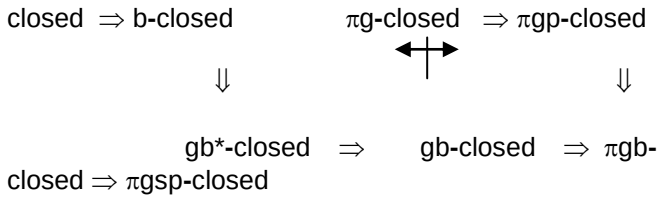
The union of all b-open (resp. δ^* -open) subsets of X which are contained in A is called the **b-interior** (resp. **δ^* -interior**) of A and denoted by **b-int(A)** (resp. **$\delta^*\text{-int}(A)$**). The family of all b-open (resp. b-closed, clopen, b-clopen, δ^* -open, δ^* -closed, regular open, π gb-closed, π gb-open) sets in X is denoted by $\text{BO}(X)$ (resp. $\text{BC}(X)$, $\text{CO}(X)$, $\text{BCO}(X)$, $\delta^*O(X)$, $\delta^*C(X)$, $\text{RO}(X)$, $\pi\text{GBC}(X)$, $\pi\text{GBO}(X)$).

2.2.Remark[1]. Every b- closed set is π gb-closed.

2.3.Proposition[1]. Every πgp -closed set is π gb-closed.

2.4.Proposition[1]. Every π gb-closed set is π gsp-closed.

2.5.Remark .We have the following implications for the properties of subsets



where none of the implications is reversible.

2.6.Example. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}\}$. Let $A = \{c\}$ is a b-closed set but not a closed in X .

2.7.Example. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, X\}$ and $A = \{a, b\}$. Then X is the only regular open (π -open) set containing A . Hence A is π gb-closed, but A is not b-closed, since $b\text{-cl}(A) = X$.

2.8.Example. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$. Let $A = \{a\}$. Then A is b-closed. Hence A is π gb-closed, but A is not π gpb-closed, since A is regular

open (π -open) and $p\text{-cl}(A) = \{a, c\} \not\subset A$.

3. On Slightly π gb-Continuous Functions

3.1.Definition. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be

1. **almost b-continuous** (briefly a.b.c.) [9] (resp. **almost π gb-continuous** (briefly a. π gb.c.)) if for each $x \in X$ and each $V \in \text{RO}(Y)$ containing $f(x)$, there exists

$U \in \text{BO}(X)$ (resp. $U \in \pi\text{GBO}(X)$) containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$.

2. **weakly b-continuous** (briefly w.b.c.) [12] (resp. **weakly π gb -continuous** (briefly w. π gb.c.)) if for each $x \in X$ and each open set V in Y containing $f(x)$, there exists $U \in \text{BO}(X)$ (resp. $U \in \pi\text{GBO}(X)$) containing x such that $f(U) \subset \text{cl}(V)$.

3. **somewhat b-continuous** (briefly sw.b.c.) [4] (resp. **somewhat π gb -continuous** (briefly sw. π gb.c.)) if for each open set V in Y and $f^{-1}(V) \neq \emptyset$ there exists $U \in$

$\text{BO}(X)$ (resp. $U \in \pi\text{GBO}(X)$) such $U \neq \emptyset$ and $U \subset f^{-1}(V)$.

4. **faintly b-continuous** (briefly f.b.c.) [10] (resp. **faintly π gb -continuous** (briefly f. π gb.c.)) if for each $x \in X$ and each θ -open set V in Y containing $f(x)$, there exists $U \in \text{BO}(X)$ (resp. $U \in \pi\text{GBO}(X)$) containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$.

5. **slightly γ -continuous** [6] (resp. **slightly π gb-continuous**) if for each $x \in X$ and each $V \in \text{CO}(X)$ containing $f(x)$, there exists a $U \in \text{BO}(X)$ (resp. $U \in \pi\text{GBO}(X)$) U containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$.

3.2.Theorem. For a function $f : X \rightarrow Y$, the following are equivalent :

- (a) f is s. π gb.c.;
- (b) $f^{-1}(V) \in \pi\text{GBO}(X)$ for every $V \in \text{CO}(X)$;
- (c) $f^{-1}(V) \in \pi\text{GBC}(X)$ for every $V \in \text{CO}(X)$;
- (d) $f^{-1}(V) \in \pi\text{GBCO}(X)$ for every $V \in \text{CO}(X)$.

3.3.Theorem. For a function $f : X \rightarrow Y$, the following are equivalent:

- (a) f is s. π gb.c.;
- (b) $f^{-1}(V) \in \pi\text{GBO}(X)$ for every δ^* -open set V in Y ;
- (c) $f^{-1}(V) \in \pi\text{GBC}(X)$ for every δ^* -closed set V in Y ;
- (d) $f(b\text{-cl}(A)) \subset \delta^*\text{-cl}(f(A))$ for every subset A of X ;
- (e) $b\text{-cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \subset f^{-1}(\delta^*\text{-cl}(B))$ for every subset B of Y .

Proof. (a) $\Rightarrow$ (b). Let V be a δ^* -open set in Y and let $x \in f^{-1}(V)$. Then $f(x) \in V$. The δ^* -openness of V gives a $U \in \text{CO}(Y)$ such that $f(x) \in U \subset V$. This implies that $x \in f^{-1}(U) \in f^{-1}(V)$. Since f is s. π gb.c., from **Theorem 3.2**, we have, $f^{-1}(U) \in \pi\text{GBO}(X)$. Hence $f^{-1}(V)$ is a π gb-neighbourhood of each of its points. Consequently, $f^{-1}(V) \in \pi\text{GBO}(X)$.

(b) $\Rightarrow$ (c). It is obvious from the fact that the complement of a δ^* -closed set is

δ^* -open.

(c) $\Rightarrow$ (d). Let A be a subset of X . We have,

$\delta^*\text{-cl}(f(A)) = \bigcap \{F : f(A) \subset F, F \in \delta^*\text{C}(Y)\}$ is a δ^* -closed set in Y . Thus

$A \subset f^{-1}(\delta^*\text{-cl}(f(A))) = \bigcap \{f^{-1}(F) : f(A) \subset F, F \in \delta^*\text{C}(Y)\} \in \pi\text{GBO}(X)$. Thus, we obtain $b\text{-cl}(A) \subset f^{-1}(\delta^*\text{-cl}(f(A)))$. Hence, $f(b\text{-cl}(A)) \subset \delta^*\text{-cl}(f(A))$.

(d) $\Rightarrow$ (e). Let B be a subset of Y . We have

$f(b\text{-cl}(f^{-1}(B))) = \delta^*\text{-cl}(f(f^{-1}(B))) \subset \delta^*\text{-cl}(B)$ and hence, we obtain,

$b\text{-cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \subset f^{-1}(\delta^*\text{-cl}(B))$.

(e) $\Rightarrow$ (a). Let V be a clopen set in Y . Then V is δ^* -closed in Y . Thus

$b\text{-cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \subset f^{-1}(\delta^*\text{-cl}(B)) = f^{-1}(B)$. Therefore, $f^{-1}(B)$ is closed. Hence,

by **Theorem 3.2**, we obtain f is $s.\pi\text{gb.c.}$

3.4.Theorem. If a function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is $w.\pi\text{gb.c.}$ then, f is $s.\pi\text{gb.c.}$

Proof. Let $x \in X$ and let V be a clopen set in Y containing $f(x)$. Therefore, by weakly πgb -continuity of f , there exists $U \in \pi\text{GBO}(X)$ containing x such that

$f(U) \subset \text{cl}(V) = V$. Since, $x \in X$ is arbitrary, hence, f is $s.\pi\text{gb.c.}$

3.5.Remark. The following diagram follows immediately from the definitions in which none of the implications is reversible.

$f.\pi\text{gb.c.}$

$\Downarrow$

$a.\pi\text{gb.c.} \Rightarrow w.\pi\text{gb.c.} \Rightarrow s.\pi\text{gb.c.}$

3.6.Example. Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, X\}$, $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, Y\}$.

Then the identity function $i : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is $s.\pi\text{gb.c.}$ but not $w.\pi\text{gb.c.}$ at $b \in X$.

3.7.Remark. From definition, it is clear that every $a.\pi\text{gb.c.}$ is $w.\pi\text{gb.c.}$ and hence $s.\pi\text{gb.c.}$ The converse is clearly false as shown by **Example 3.6**.

3.8.Definition. A topological space X is said to be **extremally disconnected** [16] if closure of every open set is open in X .

3.9.Theorem If a function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is $f.\pi\text{gb.c.}$ then, f is $s.\pi\text{gb.c.}$

Proof. The result is obvious from the fact that every clopen set is θ -open.

3.10.Remark. The converse of the above result is however, in general, not true as shown by the following example.

3.11.Example. Let $\tau = \{G \subset R : 0 \in G\} \cup \{\phi\}$ and let σ be the usual topology on R . Then the identity function $i : (R, \tau) \rightarrow (R, \sigma)$ is $s.\pi\text{gb.c.}$ but not $f.\pi\text{gb.c.}$ at all points of R except 0.

3.12.Theorem. A $s.\pi\text{gb.c.}$ $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is $f.\pi\text{gb.c.}$ if Y is extremally disconnected.

Proof. Let $x \in X$ and let V be a θ -open set in Y containing $f(x)$. Thus there exists an open set W such that $f(x) \in \text{cl}(W) \subset V$. By extremally disconnectedness of Y , $\text{cl}(W)$ is open. Thus, $\text{cl}(W) \in \text{CO}(Y)$. Since, f is $s.\text{gb.c.}$, therefore, there exists a b -open set U containing x such that $f(U) \subset \text{cl}(W) \subset V$. Since, $x \in X$ is arbitrary, therefore, f is $f.\pi\text{gb.c.}$

3.13.Theorem. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function, where, Y is extremally disconnected. Then f is $f.\pi\text{gb.c.}$ if and only if f is $s.\pi\text{gb.c.}$

Proof. It can be directly obtained by using **Theorem 3.9** and **Theorem 3.12**.

3.14.Remark. Somewhat b -continuity and slightly πgb -continuity are independent of each other as shown by

3.15.Example. The function defined in **Example 3.11** is $s.\pi\text{gb.c.}$ but not $sw.\pi\text{gb.c.}$ Again let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$, $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, Y\}$. Then the identity function $i : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is $sw.\pi\text{gb.c.}$ but not $s.\pi\text{gb.c.}$

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