

## On $\hat{\mu}$ -Continuous Functions In Topological Spaces

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### ABSTRACT

In this paper, we introduce  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous map and their relations with some generalized continuous maps. Various properties and characterizations of  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous map are discussed by using  $\hat{\mu}$ -closure and  $\hat{\mu}$ -interior under certain conditions.

### KEYWORDS :

$\hat{\mu}$ -continuous map,  $\hat{\mu}$ -closure,  $\hat{\mu}$ -interior.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Many others ([4] [5] [6] [13]) working in the field of general topology have shown more interest in studying the concepts of generalizations of continuous map. A weak form of continuous map called  $g$ -continuous map was introduced by Balachandran, Sundaram and Maki [2].

M.K.R.S.Veerakumar has introduced several generalized closed sets namely,  $\hat{g}$ -closed sets,  $g^*$ -closed sets,  $g^*p$ -closed sets,  $*g$ -closed sets,  $\alpha^*g$ -closed sets,  $*gs$ -closed sets,  $\mu$ -closed sets,  $\mu p$ -closed sets and  $\mu s$ -closed sets and their continuity. The concept of,  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed sets was introduced by S.Pious Missier and E.Sucila [12]. In this paper we introduce the concept of  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous map in topological spaces.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

Throughout this paper, we consider spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed unless explicitly stated. For  $A \subset X$ , the closure and interior of  $A$  is denoted by  $\text{cl}(A)$  and  $\text{int}(A)$  respectively. The complement of  $A$  is denoted by  $A^c$ .

### Definition 2.1 :

A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called

1. a preopen set [9] if  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$  and preclosed if  $\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) \subseteq A$ .
2. a semiopen set [6] if  $A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$  and a semiclosed set if  $\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)) \subseteq A$ .
3. an  $\alpha$ -open set [11] if  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)))$  and  $\alpha$ -closed set if  $\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(A))) \subseteq A$ .
4. a semi preopen set [1] if  $A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)))$  and a semipreclosed set if  $\text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(A))) \subseteq A$ .

The intersection of all semiclosed (resp. preclosed, semipreclosed,  $\alpha$ -closed) sets containing a subset  $A$  of  $X$  is called semiclosure (resp. preclosure, semipreclosure,  $\alpha$ -closure) of  $A$  is denoted by  $\text{scl}(A)$  (resp.  $\text{pcl}(A)$ ,  $\text{spcl}(A)$ ,  $\alpha\text{cl}(A)$ ).

### Definition 2.2 :

A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called

1. a generalized closed set (briefly  $g$ -closed [7] if  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
2. an  $\alpha$ -generalized closed set (briefly  $\alpha g$ -closed) [8] if  $\alpha\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
3. a  $\hat{g}$ -closed set [15] if  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is semiopen in  $(X, \tau)$ .
4. a  $*g$ -closed set [16] if  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
5. a  $g^*$ -closed set [16] if  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $g$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
6. a  $g^*$ -preclosed set (briefly  $g^*p$ -closed) [17] if  $\text{pcl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $g$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
7. a  $*g$ -semiclosed set [20] (briefly  $*gs$ -closed) if  $\text{scl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
8. a  $\alpha^*g$ -closed set [22] if  $\alpha\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$ , and  $U$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
9. a  $g\alpha^*$ -closed set [8] if  $\alpha\text{cl}(A) \subseteq \text{int}(U)$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\alpha$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
10. a  $\psi$ -closed set [19] if  $\text{scl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $sg$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
11. a  $g^*\psi$ -closed set [19] if  $\psi\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $g$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

12. a  $\mu$ -closed set [21] if  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $g\alpha^*$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
13. a  $\mu$ -preclosed set (briefly  $\mu p$ -closed) [22] if  $\text{pcl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $g\alpha^*$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
14. a  $\mu$ -semiclosed set (briefly  $\mu s$ -closed) [23] if  $\text{scl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $g\alpha^*$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
15. a  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed set [12] if  $\text{scl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\mu$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ . The complement of  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed set is called  $\hat{\mu}$ -open set. The class of all  $\hat{\mu}$ -open (resp.  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed) subsets of  $X$  is denoted by  $\hat{\mu} o(X, \tau)$ , (resp.  $\hat{\mu} c(X, \tau)$ ).

**Definition 2.3:**

A map  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is called

1. semicontinuous [6] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semiclosed in  $(X, \tau)$  for every closed set  $V$  in  $(Y, \sigma)$ .
2.  $g$ -continuous [2] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $g$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$  for every closed set  $V$  in  $(Y, \sigma)$ .
3.  $\alpha$ -continuous [10] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\alpha$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$  for every closed set  $V$  in  $(Y, \sigma)$ .
4.  $\alpha g$ -continuous [8] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\alpha g$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$  for every closed set  $V$  in  $(Y, \sigma)$ .
5.  $\hat{g}$ -continuous [15] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\hat{g}$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$  for every closed set  $V$  in  $(Y, \sigma)$ .
6.  $*g$ -continuous [15] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $*g$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$  for every closed set  $V$  in  $(Y, \sigma)$ .
7.  $\alpha *g$ -continuous [15] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\alpha *g$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$  for every closed set  $V$  in  $(Y, \sigma)$ .
8.  $g^*$ -continuous [16] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $g^*$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$  for every closed set  $V$  in  $(Y, \sigma)$ .
9.  $g^*p$ -continuous [17] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $g^*p$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$  for every closed set  $V$  in  $(Y, \sigma)$ .
10.  $*gs$ -continuous [20] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $*gs$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$  for every closed set  $V$  in  $(Y, \sigma)$ .
11.  $g^*\psi$ -continuous [19] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $g^*\psi$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$  for every closed set  $V$  in  $(Y, \sigma)$ .
12.  $\mu$ -continuous [21] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\mu$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$  for every closed set  $V$  in  $(Y, \sigma)$ .
13.  $\mu p$ -continuous [22] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\mu p$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$  for every closed set  $V$  in  $(Y, \sigma)$ .
14.  $\mu s$ -continuous [23] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\mu s$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$  for every closed set  $V$  in  $(Y, \sigma)$ .

**Definition 2.4:**

A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called a

1.  $T\hat{\mu}$ -space [12] if every  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed set is closed.
2.  $\alpha T\hat{\mu}$ -space [12] if every  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed set is  $\alpha$ -closed.
3.  $sT\hat{\mu}$ -space [12] if every  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed set is semiclosed.
4.  $pT\hat{\mu}$ -space [12] if every  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed set is preclosed.
5.  $spT\hat{\mu}$ -space [12] if every  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed set is semipreclosed.
6.  $\mu T\hat{\mu}$ -space [12] if every  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed set is  $\mu$ -closed.

**3.  $\hat{\mu}$ -CONTINUITY**

We introduce the following definition.

**Definition 3.1:**

A function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is called  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed subset of  $(X, \tau)$  for every closed subset  $V$  of  $(Y, \sigma)$ .

**Proposition 3.2 :**

Every continuous (resp. semicontinuous) map is  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous but not conversely.

**Proof :**

The proof follows from the fact that every closed (resp. semiclosed) set is  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed.

**Example 3.3 :**

Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{b\}\}$ . Define a map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  by  $f(a) = a$ ,  $f(b) = b$  and  $f(c) = c$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous. However  $f$  is neither continuous nor semicontinuous, since for the closed set  $U = \{a, c\}$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(U) = \{a, c\}$  which is neither closed nor semiclosed in  $X$ .

**Proposition 3.4 :**

Every  $\alpha$ -continuous map is  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous but not conversely.

**Proof :** The proof follows from the fact that every  $\alpha$ -closed set is  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed.

**Example 3.5:**

Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{b\}, \{c, a\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{c\}, \{b, c\}\}$ . Define a map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  by  $f(a) = a$ ,  $f(b) = b$  and  $f(c) = c$ . This map is  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous but not  $\alpha$ -continuous, since for the closed set  $U = \{a\}$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(U) = \{a\}$  is not  $\alpha$ -closed in  $X$ .

Thus the class of all  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous maps properly contains the classes of continuous maps, semicontinuous maps and  $\alpha$ -continuous maps.

**Remark 3.6 :**

The following examples shows that  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuity is independent of  $\mu$ -continuity.

**Example 3.7 :**

Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{b\}, \{a, c\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{b, c\}\}$ . Define  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  by  $f(a) = a$ ,  $f(b) = c$ ,  $f(c) = b$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous but not  $\mu$ -continuous, since for the closed set  $U = \{a\}$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(U) = \{a\}$  is not  $\mu$ -closed in  $X$ .

**Example 3.8:**

Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{a\}\}$ . Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an identity map. Here the map  $f$  is  $\mu$ -continuous but not  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous, since for the closed set  $U = \{b, c\}$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(U) = \{b, c\}$  is not  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed in  $X$ .

**Remark 3.9 :**

The following examples shows that  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous is independent of  $\mu\mu$  – continuous and  $\mu\sigma$ -continuous.

**Example 3.10 :**

Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{c\}\}$ . Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an identity map. Then  $f$  is  $\mu\mu$  – continuous and  $\mu\sigma$  – continuous but not  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous, since for the closed set  $U = \{a, b\}$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(U) = \{a, b\}$  is not  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed in  $X$ .

**Example 3.11:**

Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{b, c\}\}$ . Define a map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  by  $f(a) = a$ ,  $f(b) = c$  and  $f(c) = b$ . Here the map  $f$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous but not  $\mu\mu$ -continuous, since for the closed set  $U = \{a\}$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(U) = \{a\}$  is not  $\mu\mu$ -closed in  $X$ .

**Example 3.12 :**

Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{b\}\}$ . Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an identity map. Then the map  $f$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous but not  $\mu\sigma$  – continuous, since for the closed set  $U = \{a, c\}$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(U) = \{a, c\}$  is not  $\mu\sigma$  –closed in  $X$ .

**Remark 3.13:**

The following examples shows that  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous is independent of  $*g$ -continuous,  $\alpha*g$ -continuous and  $*gs$ -continuous.

**Example 3.14:**

Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{c\}\}$ . Define a map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  by  $f(a) = a$ ,  $f(b) = c$  and  $f(c) = b$ . Here the map  $f$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous but it is not  ${}^*g$ -continuous,  $\alpha{}^*g$ -continuous and  ${}^*gs$ -continuous. Since for the closed set  $U = \{a, b\}$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(U) = \{a, c\}$  which is not  ${}^*g$ -closed,  $\alpha{}^*g$ -closed and  ${}^*gs$ -closed in  $X$ .

**Example 3.15:**

Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{c\}\}$ . Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a map defined by  $f(a) = b$ ,  $f(b) = c$  and  $f(c) = a$ . Here the map  $f$  is  ${}^*g$ -continuous,  $\alpha{}^*g$ -continuous and  ${}^*gs$ -continuous but not  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous, since for the closed set  $U = \{a, b\}$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(U) = \{a, c\}$  which is not  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed in  $X$ .

**Remark 3.16:**

The following examples shows that  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous is independent of  $g^*$ -continuous,  $g$ -continuous,  $\alpha g$ -continuous and  $g^*p$ -continuous.

**Example 3.17:**

Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{a, b\}\}$ . Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an identity map. Here the map  $f$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous but not  $g^*$ -continuous,  $g$ -continuous,  $\alpha g$ -continuous and  $g^*p$ -continuous. Since for the closed set  $U = \{c\}$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(U) = \{c\}$  which is not  $g^*$ -closed,  $g$ -closed,  $\alpha g$ -closed and  $g^*p$ -closed in  $X$ .

**Example 3.18:**

Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, c\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{c\}\}$ . Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an identity map. Then the map  $f$  is  $g^*$ -continuous,  $g$ -continuous,  $\alpha g$ -continuous and  $g^*p$ -continuous but not  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous. Since for the closed set  $U = \{a, b\}$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(U) = \{a, b\}$  is not  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed in  $X$ .

**Remark 3.19:**

The following examples shows that  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous is independent of  $g^*\psi$ -continuous.

**Example 3.20:**

Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{b, c\}\}$ . Define a map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  by  $f(a) = c$ ,  $f(b) = a$  and  $f(c) = b$ . Here  $f$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous but not  $g^*\psi$ -continuous, since for the closed set  $U = \{a\}$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(U) = \{b\}$  which is not  $g^*\psi$ -closed in  $X$ .

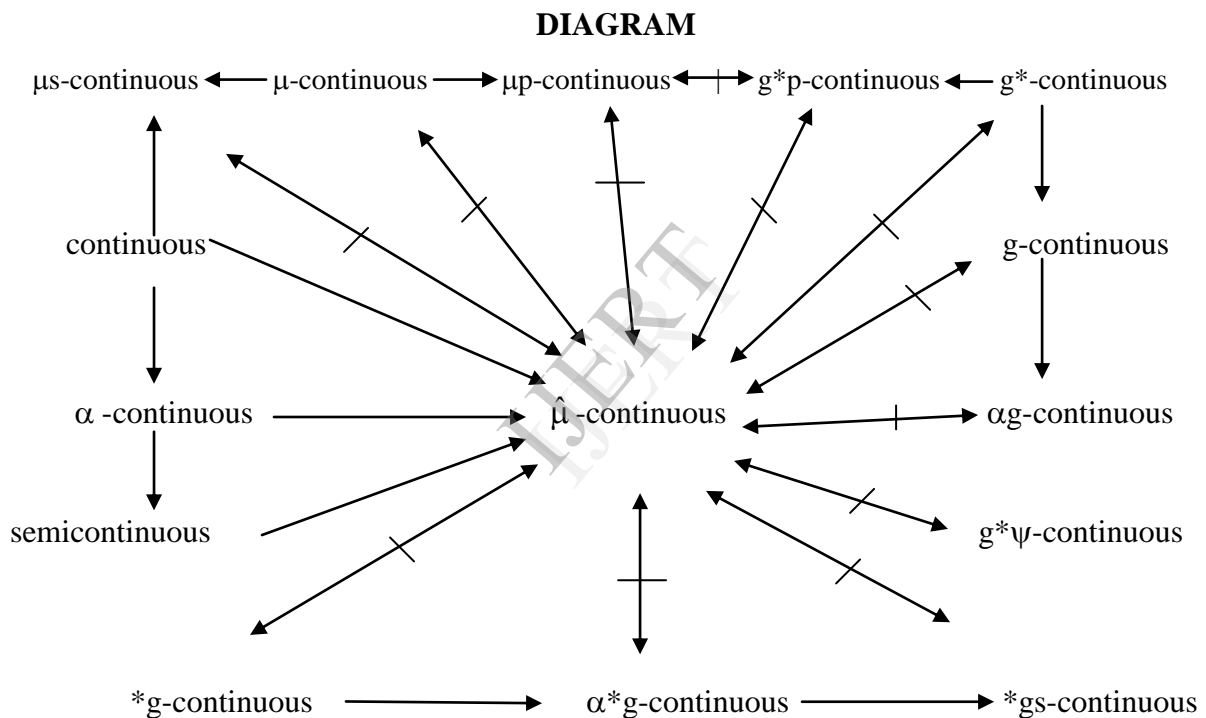
**Example 3.21:**

Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{a\}\}$ . Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an identity map. Then  $f$  is  $g^*\psi$ -continuous but not  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous, since for the closed set  $U = \{b, c\}$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(U) = \{b, c\}$  is not  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed in  $X$ .

**Remark 3.22:**

The following diagram shows the relationship established between  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous function and some other continuous functions.  $A \rightarrow B$  (resp.  $A \leftarrow \vdash B$ ) represents  $A$  implies  $B$  but not conversely (resp.  $A$  and  $B$  are independent of each other).

From the above Propositions and Examples, we have the following diagram.



**Remark 3.23:**

The composition of two  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous maps need not be  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous.

**Example 3.24:**

Let  $X = Y = Z = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, c\}\}$ ,  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{b, c\}\}$  and  $\eta = \{Z, \phi, \{c\}\}$ . Define a map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  by  $f(a) = b$ ,  $f(b) = c$  and  $f(c) = a$ . Let  $g : Y \rightarrow Z$  be an identity map. Then both  $f$  and  $g$  are  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous, but  $g \circ f$  is not  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous. Since for the closed set  $U = \{a, b\}$  in  $Z$ ,  $(g \circ f)^{-1}(U) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U)) = f^{-1}(\{a, b\}) = \{c, a\}$  which is not  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed in  $X$ .

**Proposition 3.25:**

If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous and  $g : Y \rightarrow Z$  is continuous then their composition  $g \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous.

**Proof :**

Clearly follows from the definitions.

**Proposition 3.26:**

A map  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous if and only if  $f^{-1}(U)$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ , for every open set  $U$  in  $(Y, \sigma)$ .

**Proof :**

Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous and  $U$  be an open set in  $Y$ . Then  $f^{-1}(U^c)$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed in  $X$ . But  $f^{-1}(U^c) = (f^{-1}(U))^c$  and  $f^{-1}(U)$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -open in  $X$ . Converse is similar.

**4.  $\hat{\mu}$  - CLOSURE AND  $\hat{\mu}$  - INTERIOR****Definition 4.1 :**

For every set  $E \subset X$  we define the  $\hat{\mu}$ -closure of  $E$  to be the intersection of all  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed sets containing  $E$ . In symbols,  $\hat{\mu} \text{ cl}(E) = \bigcap \{A : E \subset A, A \in \hat{\mu} C(X, \tau)\}$ .

**Lemma 4.2 :**

For any  $E \subset X$ ,  $E \subset \hat{\mu} \text{ cl}(E) \subset \text{cl}(E)$ .

**Proof :**

Since every closed set is  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed but not conversely.

**Lemma 4.3 :**

If  $A \subset B$ , then  $\hat{\mu} \text{ cl}(A) \subseteq \hat{\mu} \text{ cl}(B)$

**Proof :**

Clearly follows from Definition 4.1.

**Lemma 4.4:**

If  $E$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed, then  $\hat{\mu} \text{ cl}(E) = E$ .

**Proof :**

Clearly follows from Definition 4.1.

**Proposition 4.5 :**

Let  $A$  be a subset of a topological space  $X$ . For any  $x \in X$ ,  $x \in \hat{\mu} \text{ cl}(A)$  if and only if  $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$  for every  $\hat{\mu}$ -open set  $U$  containing  $x$ .



**Proof :**

Necessity : Suppose that  $x \in \hat{\mu} \text{cl}(A)$ . Let  $U$  be an  $\hat{\mu}$ -open set containing  $x$  such that  $U \cap A = \phi$  and so  $A \subset U^c$ . But  $U^c$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed and hence  $\hat{\mu} \text{cl}(A) \subset U^c$ . Since  $x \notin U^c$  we obtain  $x \notin \hat{\mu} \text{cl}(A)$  which is contrary to the hypothesis.

Sufficiency: Suppose that every  $\hat{\mu}$ -open set of  $X$  containing  $x$  meets  $A$ . If  $x \notin \hat{\mu} \text{cl}(A)$ , then there exists an  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed  $F$  of  $X$  such that  $A \subset F$  and  $x \notin F$ . Therefore,  $x \in F^c$  and  $F^c$  is an  $\hat{\mu}$ -open set containing  $x$ . But  $F^c \cap A = \phi$ . This is contrary to the hypothesis.

**Definition 4.6 :**

For any  $A \subset X$ ,  $\hat{\mu} \text{int}(A)$  is defined as the union of all  $\hat{\mu}$ -open sets contained in  $A$ . That is,  $\hat{\mu} \text{int}(A) = \bigcup \{U : U \subset A \text{ and } U \in \hat{\mu} \text{o}(X, \tau)\}$

**Lemma 4.7:**

For any set  $A \subset X$ ,  $\text{int}(A) \subset \hat{\mu} \text{int}(A)$ .

**Proof :**

For any two subsets  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  of  $X$ ,

- (i) If  $A_1 \subset A_2$ , then  $\hat{\mu} \text{int}(A_1) \subseteq \hat{\mu} \text{int}(A_2)$ .
- (ii)  $\hat{\mu} \text{int}(A_1 \cup A_2) \supseteq \hat{\mu} \text{int}(A_1) \cup \hat{\mu} \text{int}(A_2)$ .

**Lemma 4.9 :**

If  $A$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -open, then  $A = \hat{\mu} \text{int}(A)$ .

**Proof :**

Clearly follows from the Definition 4.6.

**Proposition 4.9 :**

Let  $A$  be a subset of a space  $X$ , then the following are true.

- (i)  $(\hat{\mu} \text{int}(A))^c = \hat{\mu} \text{cl}(A^c)$
- (ii)  $\hat{\mu} \text{int}(A) = (\hat{\mu} \text{cl}(A^c))^c$
- (iii)  $\hat{\mu} \text{cl}(A) = (\hat{\mu} \text{int}(A^c))^c$

**Proof :**

(i) Let  $x \in (\hat{\mu} \text{int}(A))^c$ . Then  $x \notin \hat{\mu} \text{int}(A)$ . That is, every  $\hat{\mu}$ -open set  $U$  containing  $x$  such that  $U \not\subset A$ . Thus every  $\hat{\mu}$ -open set  $U$  containing  $x$  is such that  $U \cap A^c \neq \phi$ . By Proposition 4.5,  $x \in \hat{\mu} \text{cl}(A^c)$  and therefore,  $(\hat{\mu} \text{int}(A))^c \subset \hat{\mu} \text{cl}(A^c)$ .

Conversely, let  $x \in \hat{\mu} \text{cl}(A^c)$ . Then by Proposition 4.5, every  $\hat{\mu}$ -open set  $U$  containing  $x$  is such that  $U \cap A^c \neq \emptyset$ . By definition 4.6,  $x \notin \hat{\mu} \text{int}(A)$ , hence  $x \in (\hat{\mu} \text{int}(A))^c$  and so  $\hat{\mu} \text{cl}(A^c) \subset (\hat{\mu} \text{int}(A))^c$ . Thus  $\hat{\mu} \text{cl}(A^c) = (\hat{\mu} \text{int}(A))^c$

(ii) Follows by taking complements in (i)

(iii) Follows by replacing  $A$  by  $A^c$  in (i)

**Proposition 4.10 :**

For a subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$ , the following conditions are equivalent :

(i)  $\hat{\mu} \circ (X, \tau)$  is closed under any union,

(ii)  $A$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed if and only if  $\hat{\mu} \text{cl}(A) = A$ .

(iii)  $A$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -open if and only if  $\hat{\mu} \text{int}(A) = A$ .

**Proof :**

(i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) : Let  $A$  be an  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed set. Then by definition of  $\hat{\mu}$ -closure, we get  $\hat{\mu} \text{cl}(A) = A$ . Conversely, assume that  $\hat{\mu} \text{cl}(A) = A$ . For each  $x \in A^c$ ,  $x \notin \hat{\mu} \text{cl}(A)$ , by Proposition 4.5 there exist an  $\hat{\mu}$ -open set  $G_x$  such that  $G_x \cap A = \emptyset$  and hence  $x \in G_x \subset A^c$ .

Therefore, we obtain  $A^c = \bigcup_{x \in A^c} G_x$ . By (i)  $A^c$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -open and hence  $A$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) = Follows by (ii) and proposition 4.9.

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) = Let  $\{U_\alpha / \alpha \in \wedge\}$  be a family of  $\hat{\mu}$ -open sets of  $X$ . Put  $U = \bigcup_{\alpha} U_\alpha$ . For

each  $x \in U$ , there exist  $\alpha(x) \in \wedge$  such that  $x \in U_{\alpha(x)} \subset U$ . Since  $U_{\alpha(x)}$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -open,  $x \in \hat{\mu} \text{int}(U)$  and so  $U = \hat{\mu} \text{int}(U)$ . By (iii),  $U$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -open. Thus  $\hat{\mu} \circ (X, \tau)$  is closed under any union.

**Proposition 4.11:**

In a topological space  $X$ , assume that  $\hat{\mu} \circ (X, \tau)$  is closed under any union. Then  $\hat{\mu} \text{cl}(A)$  is an  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed set for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ .

**Proof :**

Since  $\hat{\mu} \text{cl}(A) = \hat{\mu} \text{cl}(\hat{\mu} \text{cl}(A))$  and by Proposition 4.10, we get  $\hat{\mu} \text{cl}(A)$  is an  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed set.

**Theorem 4.12 :**

Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a map. Assume that  $\hat{\mu} \circ (X, \tau)$  is closed under any union. Then the following are equivalent :

- (i) The map  $f$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous;
- (ii) The inverse of each open set is  $\hat{\mu}$ -open;
- (iii) For each point  $x$  in  $X$  and each open set  $V$  in  $Y$  with  $f(x) \in V$ , there is an  $\hat{\mu}$ -open set  $U$  in  $X$  such that  $x \in U$ ,  $f(U) \subset V$ ;
- (iv) For each subset  $A$  of  $X$ ,  $f(\hat{\mu} \text{ cl}(A)) \subset \text{cl}(f(A))$ ;
- (v) For each subset  $B$  of  $Y$ ,  $\hat{\mu} \text{ cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \subset f^{-1}(\text{cl}(B))$ ;
- (vi) For each subset  $B$  of  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(\text{int}(B)) \subset \hat{\mu} \text{ int}(f^{-1}(B))$ .

**Proof :**

(i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (ii) By theorem 3.26

(i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iii) : Suppose that (iii) holds and let  $V$  be an open set in  $Y$  and let  $x \in f^{-1}(V)$ . Then  $f(x) \in V$  and thus there exist an  $\hat{\mu}$ -open set  $U_x$  such that  $x \in U_x$  and  $f(U_x) \subset V$ . Now  $x \in U_x \subset f^{-1}(V)$  and  $f^{-1}(V) = \bigcup_{x \in f^{-1}(V)} U_x$ . By assumption  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -open in  $X$  and therefore

$f$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous.

Conversely, suppose that (i) holds and let  $f(x) \in V$ . Then  $x \in f^{-1}(V)$  which is  $\hat{\mu}$ -open in  $X$ , since  $f$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous. Let  $U = f^{-1}(V)$ . Then  $x \in U$  and  $f(U) \subset V$ .

(iv)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (i) Suppose that (i) holds and  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ . Since  $A \subset f^{-1}(f(A))$ . We have  $A \subset f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(A)))$ . Since  $\text{cl}(f(A))$  is a closed set in  $Y$ , by assumption  $f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(A)))$  is an  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed set containing  $A$ . Consequently,  $\hat{\mu} \text{ cl}(A) \subset f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(A)))$ .

Thus  $f(\hat{\mu} \text{ cl}(A)) \subset f(f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(A)))) \subset \text{cl}(f(A))$ .

Conversely, suppose that (iv) holds for any subset  $A$  of  $X$ . Let  $F$  be a closed subset of  $Y$ . Then by assumption,  $f(\hat{\mu} \text{ cl}(f^{-1}(F))) \subset \text{cl}(f(f^{-1}(F))) \subset \text{cl}(F) = F$ . Thus  $\hat{\mu} \text{ cl}(f^{-1}(F)) \subset f^{-1}(F)$  and so  $f^{-1}(F)$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed.

(iv)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (v) : Suppose that (iv) holds and  $B$  be any subset of  $Y$ . Then replacing  $A$  by  $f^{-1}(B)$  in (iv) we get  $f(\hat{\mu} \text{ cl}(f^{-1}(B))) \subset \text{cl}(f(f^{-1}(B))) \subset \text{cl}(B)$ . Thus  $\hat{\mu} \text{ cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \subset f^{-1}(\text{cl}(B))$ . Conversely, suppose that (v) holds. Let  $B = f(A)$  where  $A$  is a subset of  $X$ . Then we have  $\hat{\mu} \text{ cl}(A) \subset \hat{\mu} \text{ cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \subset f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(A)))$  and so  $f(\hat{\mu} \text{ cl}(A)) \subset \text{cl}(f(A))$ .

(v)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (vi) : Let  $B$  be any subset of  $Y$ . Then by (v) we have  $\hat{\mu} \text{ cl}(f^{-1}(B^c)) \subset f^{-1}(\text{cl}(B^c))$  and hence  $(\hat{\mu} \text{ int } f^{-1}(B))^c \subset (f^{-1} \text{ int } (B))^c$ . Therefore we obtain  $f^{-1}(\text{int}(B)) \subset \hat{\mu} \text{ int}(f^{-1}(B))$ .

(vi)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (i) : Suppose that (vi) holds. Let  $F$  be any closed subset of  $Y$ . We have  $f^{-1}(F^c) = f^{-1}(\text{int}(F^c)) \subset \hat{\mu}\text{int}(f^{-1}(F^c)) = (\hat{\mu}\text{cl}(f^{-1}(F)))^c$  and hence  $\hat{\mu}\text{cl}(f^{-1}(F)) \subset f^{-1}(F)$ . By proposition 4.10  $f^{-1}(F)$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -closed in  $X$ . Hence  $f$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous.

**Proposition 4.13 :**

Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be a  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous map. If  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $T\hat{\mu}$  space, then  $f$  is continuous.

**Proof :**

The proof follows from definition.

**Proposition 4.14 :**

Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be a  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous map. If  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $\alpha T\hat{\mu}$  space, then  $f$  is  $\alpha$ -continuous.

**Proof :**

The proof follows from definition.

**Proposition 4.15 :**

Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous map. If  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $sT\hat{\mu}$  space, then  $f$  is semicontinuous.

**Proof :**

The proof follows from definition.

**Proposition 4.15 :**

If  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous map. If  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $pT\hat{\mu}$  space, then  $f$  is precontinuous.

**Proof :**

The proof follows from definition.

**Proposition 4.16:**

If  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous map. If  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $spT\hat{\mu}$  space, then  $f$  is semiprecontinuous.

**Proof :**

The proof follows from definition.

**Proposition 4.17:**

If  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is  $\hat{\mu}$ -continuous map. If  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $\mu T\hat{\mu}$  space, then  $f$  is  $\mu$ -continuous.

**Proof :**

The proof follows from definition.

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