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GENERALIZED CLASSES OF NEARLY OPEN SETS

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ABSTRACT

In this paper, we introduce and study the notion of generalized M-closed sets. Further, The notion of generalized M-open sets and some of its basic properties are introduced discussed. Moreover, we introduce the forms of generalized M-closed functions. We obtain some characterizations and properties are investigated.

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I. INTRODUCTION

EL-Magharabi and AL-Juhani, in 2011 [8] introduced and studied the notion of M-open sets. The class of g-closed sets was investigated by Aull in 1968 [2]. Umehara et.al [11] (resp. Dhana Balan [4]) introduced the concept of gp-closed (resp. ge-closed) sets. In this paper, we define and study the notion gM-closed sets and gM-open sets which is stronger than the concept of ge-closed and weaker than of gp-closed and M-closed sets. Also, some characterizations of these concepts are discussed. Moreover, we introduce and study new forms of generalized M-closed functions. We obtain properties of these new forms of generalized M-closed functions and preservation theorems.

Throughout this paper (X, τ) and (Y, σ) (simply, X and Y) represent non-empty topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed unless otherwise mentioned. For a subset A of a space (X, τ) , $\text{cl}(A)$, $\text{int}(A)$ and $X \setminus A$ denote the closure of A , the interior of A and the complement of A respectively. A point $x \in X$ is called a δ -adherent point of A [14] if $A \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(V)) \neq \emptyset$, for every open set V containing x . The set of all δ -adherent points of A is called the δ -closure of A and is denoted by $\text{cl}_\delta(A)$. A subset A of X is called δ -closed if $A = \text{cl}_\delta(A)$. The complement of δ -closed set is called δ -open. The δ -interior of set A in X and will denoted by $\text{int}_\delta(A)$ consists of those points x of A such that for some open set U containing x , $U \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(U)) \subseteq A$. A point $x \in X$ is said to be a

θ -interior point of A [14] if there exists an open set U containing x such that

$U \subseteq \text{cl}(U) \subseteq A$. The set of all θ -interior points of A is said to be the θ -interior set and a subset A of X is called θ -open if $A = \text{int}_\theta(A)$.

Definition 1.1. A subset A of a space (X, τ) is called:

- (1) α -open [13] if $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)))$,
- (2) preopen [12] if $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$,
- (3) M-open [8] if $A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}_\theta(A)) \cup \text{int}(\text{cl}_\delta(A))$,
- (4) e-open [7] if $A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}_\delta(A)) \cup \text{int}(\text{cl}_\delta(A))$.

The complement of α -open (resp. preopen, M-open, e-open) sets is called α -closed [13] (resp. pre-closed, M-closed, e-closed). The intersection of all α -closed (resp. pre-closed, M-closed, e-closed) sets containing A is called the α -closure (resp. pre-closure, M-closure, e-closure) of A and is denoted by $\alpha\text{-cl}(A)$ (resp. $\text{pcl}(A)$, $\text{M-cl}(A)$, $\text{e-cl}(A)$). The union of all α -open (resp. preopen, M-open, e-open) sets contained in A is called the α -interior (resp. pre-interior, M-interior, e-interior) of A and is denoted by $\alpha\text{-int}(A)$ (resp. $\text{pint}(A)$, $\text{M-int}(A)$, $\text{e-int}(A)$). The family of all M-open (resp. M-closed) sets in a space (X, τ) is denoted by $\text{MO}(X, \tau)$ (resp. $\text{MC}(X, \tau)$).

Definition 1.2. A subset A of a space (X, τ) is called:

- (1) generalized closed (= g-closed) set [2] if $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open,
- (2) generalized α -closed (= $g\alpha$ -closed) set [3] if $\alpha\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open,
- (3) generalized pre-closed (= gp-closed) set [11] if $\text{pcl}(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open,
- (4) generalized e-closed (= ge-closed) set [4] if $\text{e-cl}(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open.

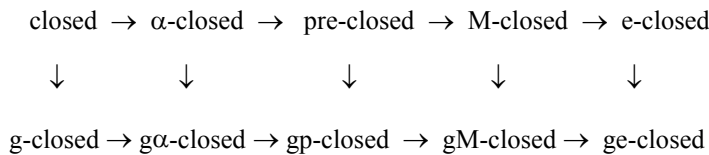
The complement of generalized e-closed (=ge-closed) set is called generalized e-open (= ge-open).

II. GENERALIZED M-CLOSED SETS

Definition 2.1. A subset B of a topological space (X, τ) is called a generalized M-closed (= gM-closed) set if $M\text{-cl}(B) \subseteq U$ whenever $B \subseteq U$ and U is open in (X, τ) .

The family of all generalized M-closed sets of a space X is denoted by $\text{GMC}(X)$.

Remark 2.1. for The following diagram holds for each a subset A of X .



None of these implications are reversible as shown in the following examples. Other examples are as shown in [2, 3, 4, 11].

Example 2.1. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, c, d\}\}$. Then $\{a, b\}$ of X is ge-closed but not gM-closed,

Example 2.2. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$. Then $\{b\}$ is an gM-closed set but not gp-closed.

Theorem 2.1.The arbitrary intersection of any gM-closed subsets of X is also a gM-closed subset of X .

Proof. Let $\{A_i : i \in I\}$ be any collection of gM-closed subsets of X such that $\bigcap_{i=1} A_i \subseteq H$ and H be open set in X . But, A_i is a gM-closed subset of X , for each $i \in I$, then $M\text{-cl}(A_i) \subseteq H$, for each $i \in I$. Hence $\bigcap_{i=1} M\text{-cl}(A_i) \subseteq H$, for each $i \in I$. Therefore $M\text{-cl}(\bigcap_{i=1} A_i) \subseteq H$. So, $\bigcap_{i=1} A_i$ a gM-closed subset of X .

Remark 2.2. The union of two gM-closed subsets of X need not be a gM-closed subset of X .

Let be $X = \{a, b, c\}$ with topology $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$. Then two subsets $\{a\}$ and $\{b\}$ of X are gM-closed subsets but their union $\{a, b\}$ is not a gM-closed subset of X .

Theorem 2.2. A subset A of a space (X, τ) is gM-closed if and only if for each $A \subseteq H$ and H is M-open, there exists a M-closed set F such that $A \subseteq F \subseteq H$.

Proof. Suppose that A is a gM-closed subset of X , $A \subseteq H$ and H is a M-open set. Then $M\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq H$. If we put $F = M\text{-cl}(A)$ hence $A \subseteq F \subseteq H$.

Conversely. Assume that $A \subseteq H$ and H is a M -open set. Then by hypothesis there exists a M -closed set F such that $A \subseteq F \subseteq H$. So, $A \subseteq M\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq F$ and hence $M\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq H$. Therefore, A is gM -closed.

Lemma 2.1. Let A be θ -closed and B is M -closed, then $A \cup B$ is M -closed.

Theorem 2.3. If A is a θ -closed and B is a gM -closed subset of a space X , then $A \cup B$ is also gM -closed.

Proof. Suppose that $A \cup B \subseteq H$ and H is a M -open set. Then $A \subseteq H$ and $B \subseteq H$. But B is gM -closed, then $M\text{-cl}(B) \subseteq H$ and hence $A \cup B \subseteq A \cup M\text{-cl}(B) \subseteq H$. But $A \cup M\text{-cl}(B)$ a M -closed set. Hence there exists a M -closed set $A \cup M\text{-cl}(B)$ such that $A \cup B \subseteq A \cup M\text{-cl}(B) \subseteq H$. Thus by Theorem 2.2, $A \cup B$ is gM -closed.

Theorem 2.4. For an element $p \in X$, the set $X \setminus \{p\}$ is gM -closed or M -open.

Proof. Suppose that $X \setminus \{p\}$ is not a M -open set. Then X is the only M -open set containing $X \setminus \{p\}$. This implies that $M\text{-cl}(X \setminus \{p\}) \subseteq X$. Hence $X \setminus \{p\}$ is a gM -closed set in X .

Theorem 2.5. If A is a gM -closed set of X such that $A \subseteq B \subseteq M\text{-cl}(A)$, then B is a gM -closed set in X .

Proof. Let H be an open set of X such that $B \subseteq H$. Then $A \subseteq H$. But A is a gM -closed set of X , then $M\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq H$. Now, $M\text{-cl}(B) \subseteq M\text{-cl}(M\text{-cl}(A)) = M\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq H$. Therefore B is a gM -closed set in X .

Theorem 2.6. Let A be a gM -closed subset of (X, τ) . Then $M\text{-cl}(A) \setminus A$ contains no nonempty closed set in X .

Proof. Let F be a closed subset of $M\text{-cl}(A) \setminus A$. Since $X \setminus F$ is open, $A \subseteq X \setminus F$ and A is gM -closed, it follows that $M\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq X \setminus F$ and thus $F \subseteq X \setminus M\text{-cl}(A)$. This implies that $F \subseteq (X \setminus M\text{-cl}(A)) \cap (M\text{-cl}(A) \setminus A) = \emptyset$ and hence $F = \emptyset$.

Corollary 2.1. gM -closed subset A of a topological space X is M -closed if and only if $M\text{-cl}(A) \setminus A$ is closed.

Proof. Let A be gM -closed set. If A is M -closed, then we have $M\text{-cl}(A) \setminus A = \emptyset$ which is closed set. Conversely, let $M\text{-cl}(A) \setminus A$ be closed. Then, by Theorem 2.6, $M\text{-cl}(A) \setminus A$ does not contain any non-empty closed subset and since $M\text{-cl}(A) \setminus A$ is closed subset of itself, then $M\text{-cl}(A) \setminus A = \emptyset$. This implies that $A = M\text{-cl}(A)$ and so A is M -closed set.

Theorem 2.7. If A is open and an gM -closed sets of X , then A is a gM -closed set in X .

Proof. Let H be any open set in X such that $A \subseteq H$. Since A is open and an gM -closed sets of X , then $M\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq A$. Then $M\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq A \subseteq H$. Hence A is a gM -closed set in X .

Theorem 2.8. If A is both open and a gM -closed subsets of a topological space (X, τ) , then A is M -closed.

Proof. Assume that A is both an open and a gM -closed subsets of a topological space (X, τ) . Then $M\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq A$. Hence A is M -closed.

Theorem 2.9. If A is both open and a gM -closed subsets of X and F is a θ -closed set in X , then $A \cap F$ is a gM -closed set in X .

Proof. Let A be an open and a gM -closed subsets of X and F be a θ -closed set in X . Then by Theorem 2.8, A is M -closed. So, $A \cap F$ is M -closed. Therefore, $A \cap F$ is a gM -closed set in X .

Theorem 2.10. [10] If A is a θ -open set and H is an M -open set in a topological space (X, τ) , then $A \cap H$ is an M -open set in X .

Theorem 2.11. If A is both an open and a g -closed subsets of A , then A is a gM -closed set in X .

Proof. Let A be open and a g -closed subsets of X and $A \subseteq H$, where H is an open set in X . Then by hypothesis, $M\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq \text{cl}(A) \subseteq A$, that is $M\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq H$. Thus A is a gM -closed set in X .

Theorem 2.12. For a topological space (X, τ) , then $MO(X, \tau) \subseteq \{F \subseteq X: F \text{ is closed}\}$ if and only if every subset of X is a gM -closed subset of X .

Proof. Suppose that $MO(X, \tau) \subseteq \{F \subseteq X: F \text{ is closed}\}$. Let A be any subset of X such that $A \subseteq H$, where H is an M -open set in X . Then $H \in MO(X, \tau) \subseteq \{F \subseteq X: F \text{ is closed}\}$. That is $H \in \{F \subseteq X: F \text{ is closed}\}$. Thus H is an M -closed set. Then $M\text{-cl}(H) = H$. Also, $M\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq M\text{-cl}(H) \subseteq H$. Hence A is a gM -closed subset of X .

Conversely. Suppose that every subset of (X, τ) is a gM -closed subset in X and $H \in MO(X, \tau)$. Since $H \subseteq H$ and H is gM -closed, we have $M\text{-cl}(H) \subseteq H$. Thus $M\text{-cl}(H) = H$ and $H \in \{F \subseteq X: F \text{ is closed}\}$. Therefore $MO(X, \tau) \subseteq \{F \subseteq X: F \text{ is closed}\}$.

Definition 2.2. The intersection of all M -open subsets of (X, τ) containing A is called the M -kernel of A and is denoted by $M\text{-ker}(A)$.

Lemma 2.2. For any subset A of a topological space (X, τ) , then $A \subseteq M\text{-ker}(A)$.

Proof. Follows directly from Definition 2.2.

Lemma 2.3. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and A be a subset of X . If A is M -open in X , then $M\text{-ker}(A) = A$.

Theorem 2.13. A subset A of a topological space X is gM -closed if and only if $M\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq M\text{-ker}(A)$.

Proof. Since A is gM -closed, $M\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq G$ for any open set G with $A \subseteq G$ and hence $M\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq M\text{-ker}(A)$.

Conversely, let G be any open set such that $A \subseteq G$. By hypothesis, $M\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq M\text{-ker}(A) \subseteq G$ and hence A is gM -closed.

III. GENERALIZED M-OPEN SETS

Definition 3.1. A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is called a generalized M -open (briefly, gM -open) set in X if $X \setminus A$ is gM -closed in X . We denote the family of all gM -open sets in X by $GMO(X)$.

Theorem 3.1. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and $A \subseteq X$. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) A is a gM -open set,
- (2) for each closed set F contained in A , $F \subseteq M\text{-int}(A)$,
- (3) for each closed set F contained in A , there exists an M -open set H such that $F \subseteq H \subseteq A$.

Proof. (1) \rightarrow (2). Let $F \subseteq A$ and F be a M -closed set. Then $X \setminus A \subseteq X \setminus F$ which is M -open of X , hence $M\text{-cl}(X \setminus A) \subseteq X \setminus F$. So, $F \subseteq M\text{-int}(A)$.

(2) \rightarrow (3). Suppose that $F \subseteq A$ and F be an M -closed set. Then by hypothesis, $F \subseteq M\text{-int}(A)$. But $H = M\text{-int}(A)$, hence there exists a M -open set H such that $F \subseteq H \subseteq A$.

(3) \rightarrow (1). Assume that $X \setminus A \subseteq V$ and V is a M -open set of X . Then by hypothesis, there exists an M -open set H such that $X \setminus V \subseteq H \subseteq A$, that is, $X \setminus A \subseteq X \setminus H \subseteq V$. Therefore, by Theorem 2.2, $X \setminus A$ is gM -closed in X and hence A is gM -open in X .

Theorem 3.2. If A is θ -open and B is a gM -open subsets of a space X , then $A \cap B$ is also gM -open.

Proof. Follows from Theorem 2.3.

Proposition 3.1. If $M\text{-int}(A) \subseteq B \subseteq A$ and A is a gM-open set of X , then B is gM-open.

Proposition 3.2. Let A be M-closed and a gM-open sets of X . Then A is M-open.

Proof. Let A be a M-closed and a gM-open sets of X . Then $A \subseteq M\text{-int}(A)$ and hence A is M-open.

Theorem 3.3. For a space (X, τ) , if A is a gM-closed set of X , then $M\text{-cl}(A) \setminus A$ is gM-open.

Proof. Suppose that A is a gM-closed set of X and F is a M-closed set contained in $M\text{-cl}(A) \setminus A$. Then by Theorem 2.2, $F = \emptyset$ and hence $F \subseteq M\text{-int}(M\text{-cl}(A) \setminus A)$. Therefore, $M\text{-cl}(A) \setminus A$ is gM-open.

Theorem 3.4. If A is a gM-open subset of a space (X, τ) , then $G = X$, whenever G is M-open and $M\text{-int}(A) \cup (X \setminus A) \subseteq G$.

Proof. Let G be an open set of X and $M\text{-int}(A) \cup (X \setminus A) \subseteq G$. Then $X \setminus G \subseteq (X \setminus M\text{-int}(A)) \cap A = M\text{-cl}(X \setminus A) \setminus (X \setminus A)$. Since $X \setminus G$ is closed and $X \setminus A$ is gM-closed, by Theorem 2.6, $X \setminus G = \emptyset$ and hence $G = X$.

Theorem 3.5. For a topological space (X, τ) , then every singleton of X is either gM-open or M-open.

Proof. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and $p \in X$. To prove that $\{p\}$ is either gM-open or M-open. That is to prove $X \setminus \{p\}$ is either gM-closed or M-open, which follows directly from Theorem 2.4.

IV. M-T_{1/2} SPACES AND GENERALIZED FUNCTIONS

Definition 4.1. A space (X, τ) is called an M-T_{1/2}-space if every gM-closed set is M-closed.

Theorem 4.1. For a topological space (X, τ) , the following conditions are equivalent:

- (1) X is M-T_{1/2}
- (2) Every singleton of X is either closed or M-open.

Proof. (1) \rightarrow (2). Let $p \in X$ and assume that $\{p\}$ is not closed. Then $X \setminus \{p\}$ is not open and hence $X \setminus \{p\}$ is gM-closed. Hence, by hypothesis, $X \setminus \{p\}$ is M-closed and thus $\{p\}$ is M-open.

(2) \rightarrow (1). Let $A \subseteq X$ be gM-closed and $p \in M\text{-cl}(A)$. We will show that $p \in A$. For consider the following two cases:

Case (i). The set $\{p\}$ is closed. Then, if $p \notin A$, then there exists a closed set in $M\text{-cl}(A) \setminus A$. Hence by Corollary 2.1, $p \in A$.

Case (ii). The set $\{p\}$ is M-open. Since $p \in M\text{-cl}(A)$, then $\{p\} \cap M\text{-cl}(A) \neq \emptyset$. Thus $p \in A$. So, in both cases, $p \in A$. This shows that $M\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq A$ or equivalently, A is M-closed.

Theorem 4.2. For a topological space (X, τ) , the following hold:

- (1) $MO(X, \tau) \subseteq GMO(X, \tau)$,
- (2) The space X is M-T_{1/2} if and only if $MO(X, \tau) = GMO(X, \tau)$.

Proof. (1) Let A be a M-open set. Then $X \setminus A$ is M-closed and so gM-closed. This implies that A is gM-open. Hence $MO(X, \tau) \subseteq GMO(X, \tau)$.

(2) \Rightarrow : Let (X, τ) be a $M-T_{1/2}$ and $A \in \text{GMO}(X, \tau)$. Then $X \setminus A$ is gM -closed. By hypothesis, $X \setminus A$ is M -closed and thus A is M -open this implies that $A \in \text{MO}(X, \tau)$. Hence, $\text{MO}(X, \tau) = \text{GMO}(X, \tau)$.

\Leftarrow : Let $\text{MO}(X, \tau) = \text{GMO}(X, \tau)$ and A a gM -closed set. Then $X \setminus A$ is gM -open. Hence $X \setminus A \in \text{MO}(X, \tau)$. Thus A is M -closed. Therefore (X, τ) is $M-T_{1/2}$.

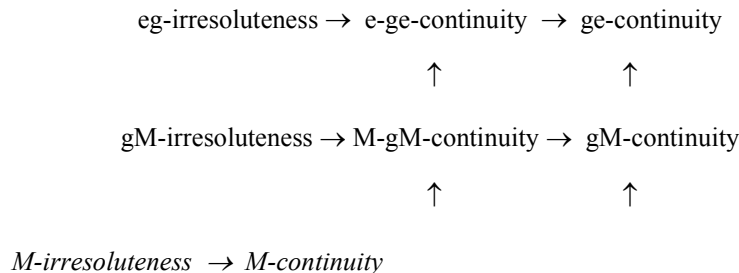
Definition 4.2. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called :

- (1) gM -continuous if $f^{-1}(F)$ is gM -closed in X , for every closed set F of Y ,
- (2) M - gM -continuous if $f^{-1}(F)$ is gM -closed in X , for every M -closed set F of Y ,
- (3) gM -irresolute if $f^{-1}(F)$ is gM -closed in X for every gM -closed set F of Y .
- (4) e - ge -continuous if $f^{-1}(F)$ is ge -closed in X , for every e -closed set F of Y ,

Definition 4.3. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called :

- (1) ge -continuous [4] if $f^{-1}(F)$ is ge -closed in X , for every closed set F of Y ,
- (2) ge -irresolute [4] if $f^{-1}(F)$ is ge -closed in X for every ge -closed set F of Y ,
- (3) M -continuous [10] if $f^{-1}(F)$ is M -closed in X , for every closed set F of Y ,
- (4) M -irresolute [10] if $f^{-1}(F)$ is M -closed in X for every M -closed set F of Y .

Remark 4.1. The following diagram holds for a function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$:



The converses of the above implications are not true in general as is shown by [4, 10] and the following example.

Example 4.1. In Example 2.1, Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \tau)$ be a function defined as follows: $f(a) = a, f(b) = b, f(c) = c, f(d) = e$ and $f(e) = d$. Then f is ege -continuous (resp. ge -continuous) but it is not MgM -continuous (resp. gM -continuous).

Example 4.2. Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ with $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{Y, \emptyset, \{b, c\}\}$. Then a mapping $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ which defined by the identity mapping is gM -continuous but it is neither M - gM -continuous nor gM -irresolute.

Example 4.3. Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$ with $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a,c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, c, d\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{Y, \emptyset, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, d\}\}$. Then a mapping

$f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ which defined by the identity mapping is gM-continuous but it is neither M-continuous nor M-irresolute.

Example 4.4. Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$ with $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, c, d\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{Y, \emptyset, \{a, b\}, \{c, d\}\}$. Then a mapping $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ which defined by the identity mapping is ge-continuous but it is not gM-continuous.

Theorem 4.3. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ and $h : Y \rightarrow Z$ be functions.

(1) If f is gM-irresolute and h is gM-continuous, then the composition

$h \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$ is gM-continuous.

(2) If f is gM-continuous and h is continuous, then the composition $h \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$ is gM-continuous.

(3) If f and h are gM-irresolute, then the composition $h \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$ is gM-irresolute.

(4) If f is gM-irresolute and h is M-gM-continuous, then the composition

$h \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$ is

M-gM-continuous.

(5) If f and h are M-gM-continuous and Y is $M-T_{1/2}$, then the composition

$h \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$ is M-gM-continuous.

Theorem 4.4. If a function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is M-gM-continuous and Y is $M-T_{1/2}$, then f is gM-irresolute.

Proof. Let F be any gM-closed subset of Y . Since Y is $M-T_{1/2}$, then F is M-closed in Y . Hence $f^{-1}(F)$ is gM-closed in X . This show that f is gM-irresolute.

Theorem 4.5. If a function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is gM-continuous and X is $M-T_{1/2}$, then f is M-continuous.

Proof. Let F be any closed set of Y . Since f is gM-continuous, $f^{-1}(F)$ is gM-closed in X and then $f^{-1}(F)$ is M-closed in X . Hence f is M-continuous.

Theorem 4.6. If a function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is M-gM-continuous and X is $M-T_{1/2}$, then f is M-irresolute.

Proof. Let F be any M-closed set of Y . Since f is M-gM-continuous, $f^{-1}(F)$ is gM-closed in X and then $f^{-1}(F)$ is M-closed in X . Hence f is M-irresolute.

Definition 4.4. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be:

(1) gM-closed if $f(A)$ is gM-closed in Y , for each closed set A of X .

(2) M-gM-closed if $f(A)$ is gM-closed in Y , for each M-closed set A of X .

Theorem 4.7. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is closed M-gM-continuous, then $f^{-1}(K)$ is gM-closed in X for each gM-closed set K of Y .

Proof. Let K be a gM-closed set of Y and U an open set of X containing $f^{-1}(K)$. Put $V = Y \setminus f(X \setminus U)$, then V is open in Y , $K \subseteq V$, and $f^{-1}(V) \subseteq U$. Therefore, we have $M-cl(K) \subseteq V$ and hence $f^{-1}(K) \subseteq f^{-1}(M-cl(K)) \subseteq f^{-1}(V) \subseteq U$. Since f is M-gM-continuous, $f^{-1}(M-cl(K))$ is gM-closed in X and hence $M-cl(f^{-1}(K)) \subseteq M-cl(f^{-1}(M-cl(K))) \subseteq U$. This shows that $f^{-1}(K)$ is gM-closed in X .

Corollary 4.1. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is closed M-irresolute, then $f^{-1}(K)$ is gM-closed in X for each gM-closed set K of Y .

Theorem 4.8. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is an open M-gM-continuous bijection, then $f^{-1}(K)$ is gM-closed in X , for every gM-closed set K of Y .

Proof. Let K be a gM-closed set of Y and U an open set of X containing $f^{-1}(K)$. Since f is an open surjective, $K = f(f^{-1}(K)) \subseteq f(U)$ and $f(U)$ is open. Therefore, $M\text{-cl}(K) \subseteq f(U)$. Since f is injective, $f^{-1}(K) \subseteq f^{-1}(M\text{-cl}(K)) \subseteq f^{-1}(f(U)) = U$. Since f is M-gM-continuous, $f^{-1}(M\text{-cl}(K))$ is gM-closed in X and hence

$M\text{-cl}(f^{-1}(K)) \subseteq M\text{-cl}(f^{-1}(M\text{-cl}(K))) \subseteq U$. therefore $f^{-1}(K)$ is gM-closed in X .

Definition 4.5. [9] A space X is said to be M-normal if for any pair of disjoint closed sets F_1 and F_2 , there exist disjoint M-open sets U and V such that $F_1 \subseteq U$ and $F_2 \subseteq V$.

Theorem 4.9. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a closed M-gM-continuous injection. If Y is M-normal, then X is M-normal.

Proof. Let F_1 and F_2 be disjoint closed sets of X . Since f is a closed injection, then $f(F_1)$ and $f(F_2)$ are disjoint closed sets of Y . By the M-normality of Y , there exist disjoint $V_1, V_2 \in MO(Y)$ such that $f(F_i) \subseteq V_i$, for $i = 1, 2$. Since f is M-gM-continuous, $f^{-1}(V_1)$ and $f^{-1}(V_2)$ are disjoint gM-open sets of X and $F_i \subseteq$

$f^{-1}(V_i)$ for $i = 1, 2$. Now, by Theorem 3.1, there exists an M-open sets U_i such that $F_i \subseteq U_i \subseteq f^{-1}(V_i)$ for $i = 1, 2$. Then, $U_i \in MO(X, \tau)$, $F_i \subseteq U_i$ and

$U_1 \cap U_2 = \emptyset$. Therefore X is M-normal.

Corollary 4.2. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a closed M-irresolute injection and Y is M-normal, then X is M-normal.

Proof. This is an immediate consequence since every M-irresolute function is M-gM-continuous.

Lemma 4.1. A surjection $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is M-gM-closed if and only if for each subset B of Y and each M-open set U of X containing $f^{-1}(B)$, there exists a gM-open set V of Y such that

$$B \subseteq V \text{ and } f^{-1}(V) \subseteq U.$$

Theorem 4.10. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a M-gM-closed continuous surjection and X is M-normal, then Y is M-normal.

Proof. Let F_1 and F_2 be any disjoint closed sets of Y . Then $f^{-1}(F_1)$ and $f^{-1}(F_2)$ are disjoint closed sets of X . Since X is M-normal, there exist disjoint M-open sets U and V such that $f^{-1}(F_1) \subseteq U$ and $f^{-1}(F_2) \subseteq V$. By Lemma 4.1, there exist gM-open sets G and H of Y such that $F_1 \subseteq G, F_2 \subseteq H, f^{-1}(G) \subseteq U$ and $f^{-1}(H) \subseteq V$. Since U and V are disjoint, G and H are disjoint. By Theorem 3.1, we have $F_1 \subseteq M\text{-int}(G), F_2 \subseteq M\text{-int}(H)$ and $M\text{-int}(G) \cap M\text{-int}(H) = \emptyset$. Therefore, Y is M-normal.

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