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# Generalized Investigated in Topological Space

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**Abstract:** In this paper, some characterizations and proportion of notion a investigated. Throughout this paper  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \sigma)$  (simply,  $X$  and  $Y$ ) represent topological spaces on which separation axioms are assumed unless otherwise mentioned. We introduce a new class of sets called regular generalized open sets which is properly placed in between the class of open sets and the class of  $\beta$ -open sets. Throughout this paper  $(X, \tau)$  represents a topological space on which no separation axiom is assumed unless otherwise mentioned. For a subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$ ,  $cl(A)$  and  $int(A)$  denote the closure of  $A$  and the interior of  $A$  respectively.  $X/A$  or  $A^c$  denotes the complement of  $A$  in  $X$ . introduced and investigated semi open sets, generalized closed sets, regular semi open sets, weakly closed sets, semi generalized closed sets, weakly generalized closed sets, strongly generalized closed sets, generalized pre - regular closed sets, regular generalized closed sets, and generalized  $\alpha$ -generalized closed sets respectively.

**Keywords:** Topological space, Cluster Point, Open and Closed set,  $\beta^*$  - Continuous, Subset, .Regular open closed set, Separation axioms

## I. INTRODUCTION

A function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is called super-continuous (resp.  $a$ -continuous  $\alpha$ -continuous pre-continuous  $\delta$  - smi - continuous  $Z$  - continuous  $\gamma$  - continuous continuous  $Z^*$ - continuous,  $\beta$  - continuous  $e^*$ - continuous ) if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\delta$  - open (resp.  $a$ -open,  $\alpha$ -open, per open,  $\delta$ -semiopen,  $Z$ -open,  $\gamma$ -open,  $e$ - open,  $Z^*$  - open,  $\beta$ -open,  $e^*$ -open) in  $X$ , for each  $V \in \sigma$ . the notion of  $\beta$ -open sets and  $\beta$ -continuity in topological space. The concepts of  $Z^*$ - open set and  $Z^*$ - continuity introduced by Mubarki. The purpose of this paper introduce and study the notions of  $\beta^*$ - open sets,  $\beta^*$  - continuous functions and ( $\beta^*$ - open sets. For a subset  $A$  of a  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $cl(A)$ ,  $int(A)$  and  $X \setminus A$  denote the closure of  $A$ , the interior of  $A$  and the complement of  $A$ , respectively. A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called regular open (resp. regular closed) if  $A = int(cl(A))$  (resp.  $A = cl(int(A))$ ). A point  $x$  of  $X$  is called  $\delta$  - cluster point of  $A$  if  $int(cl(U)) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ , for every open set  $U$  of  $X$  containing  $x$ . The set of all  $\delta$ -cluster points of  $A$  is called  $\delta$ -closure of  $A$  and is denoted  $cl \delta(A)$ . A set  $A$  is  $\delta$ -closed if and if  $A = cl \delta(A)$ . The complement of a  $a$ -open (resp.  $\alpha$ -open,  $\delta$ -semiopen,  $\delta$ -preopen,  $Z$ -open,  $\gamma$ -open,  $e$ -open,  $Z^*$ -open,  $\beta$ -open,  $e^*$ -open) sets is called  $a$ -close (resp.  $\alpha$ -closed  $\delta$ -semi-closed,  $\delta$ -pre-closed  $Z$ -closed  $\gamma$ -closed,  $e$  - closed  $Z^*$ -closed  $\beta$ -closed,  $e^*$ - closed). The intersection of all  $\delta$  - preclosed (resp.  $\beta$ -closed) set containing  $A$  is called the  $\delta$  - preclosure (resp.  $\beta$ -closure) of  $A$  and is denoted by  $\delta - pcl(A)$  (resp.  $\beta-cl(A)$ ). The union of all  $\delta$ -preopen (resp.  $\beta$ -open) sets contained in  $A$  is called the  $\delta$ - pre - interior (resp.  $\beta$  - interior) of  $A$  and is denoted by  $\delta - pint(A)$  (resp.  $\beta-int(A)$ ). The family of all  $\delta$ -open (resp.  $\delta$ -semiopen,  $\delta$ - preopen,  $Z^*$ - open,  $\beta$ - open,  $e^*$ - open) sets is denoted by  $\delta O(X)$  (resp.  $\delta SO(X)$ ,  $\delta PO(X)$ ,  $Z^* O(X)$ ,  $\beta O(X)$ ,  $e^* O(X)$ ).

### Lemma 1.1

Let  $A$  be a subset of a space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then:

- (1)  $\delta - pint(A) = A \cap int(cl \delta(A))$  and  $\delta - pcl(A) = A \cup cl(int \delta(A))$ ,
- (2)  $\beta - Int(A) = A \cap cl(int(cl(A)))$  and  $\beta - cl(A) = A \cup int(cl(int(A)))$ .

$\beta^*$  - Open sets

### Definition 2.1

A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be:

- (1) a  $\beta^*$  - open set if  $A \subseteq cl(int(cl(A))) \cup int(cl \delta(A))$ ,
- (2) a  $\beta^*$  - closed set if  $int(cl(int(A))) \cap cl(int \delta c(A)) \subseteq A$ .
- (3) The family of all  $\beta^*$  - open (resp.  $\beta^*$ - closed) subsets of a space  $(X, \tau)$  will be as always denoted by  $\beta^* O(X)$  (resp.  $\beta^* C(X)$ ).

**Remark 3.1**

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

None of these implications are reversible as shown in the following examples

**Example 4.1**

Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ , with topology  $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, c, d\}, X\}$ . Then:

- (1) A subset  $\{b, c\}$  of X is  $\beta^*$  - open but it is not  $\beta$ -open,
- (2) A subset  $\{b, d\}$  of X is  $e^*$  - open but it is not  $\beta^*$  - open,

**Example 4.2**

Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$  and  $\tau = \{\phi, \{a, b\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, b, c, d\}, X\}$ . Then  $\{a, e\}$  is  $\beta^*$ - open but it is not  $Z^*$  - open.

**Remark 3.3**

By the following example we show that the intersection of any two  $\beta^*$ -open sets is not  $\beta^*$  - open.

**Example 4.4**

Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with topology  $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ . Then  $A = \{a, c\}$  and  $B = \{b, c\}$  are  $\beta^*$ -open sets. But,  $A \cap B = \{c\}$  is not  $\beta^*$ - open

**Definition 2.2**

Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space. Then:

- (1) The union of all  $\beta^*$  - open sets of contained in A is called the  $\beta^*$ -interior of A and is denoted by  $\beta^*\text{-int}(A)$ ,
- (2) The intersection of all  $\beta^*$  - closed sets of X containing A is called
- (3) The  $\beta^*$  - closure of A and is denoted by  $\beta^*\text{-cl}(A)$ .

**Theorem 5.1**

Let A, B be two subsets of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then the following are hold:

- (1)  $\beta^*\text{-int}(X) = X$  and  $\beta^*\text{-int}(\phi) = \phi$ ,
- (2)  $\beta^*\text{-int}(A) \subseteq A$ ,
- (3) If  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $\beta^*\text{-int}(A) \subseteq \beta^*\text{-int}(B)$ ,
- (4)  $x \in \beta^*\text{-int}(A)$  if and only if there exist  $\beta^*$  - open  $W$  such that  $x \in W \subseteq A$ ,
- (5) A is  $\beta^*$  - open set if and only if  $A = \beta^*\text{-int}(A)$ ,
- (6)  $\beta^*\text{-int}(\beta^*\text{-int}(A)) = \beta^*\text{-int}(A)$ ,
- (7)  $\beta^*\text{-int}(A \cap B) \subseteq \beta^*\text{-int}(A) \cap \beta^*\text{-int}(B)$ ,
- (8)  $\beta^*\text{-int}(A) \cup \beta^*\text{-int}(B) \subseteq \beta^*\text{-int}(A \cup B)$ .

**Example 4.5**

Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with topology  $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ .

- (1) If  $A = \{a, c\}, B = \{b, c\}$ , then  $\beta^*\text{-cl}(A) = A, \beta^*\text{-cl}(B) = B$  and  $\beta^*\text{-int}(A \cup B) = X$ . Thus  $\beta^*\text{-cl}(A \cup B) \not\subseteq \beta^*\text{-cl}(A) \cup \beta^*\text{-cl}(B)$ ,
- (2) If  $A = \{a, c\}, C = \{a, b\}$ , then  $\beta^*\text{-cl}(C) = X, \beta^*\text{-cl}(A) = A$  and  $\beta^*\text{-int}(A \cap C) = \{a\}$ . Thus  $\beta^*\text{-cl}(A) \cap \beta^*\text{-cl}(C) \not\subseteq \beta^*\text{-cl}(A \cap C)$ ,
- (3) If  $E = \{c, d\}, F = \{b, d\}$ , then  $E \cup F = \{b, c, d\}$  and hence  $\beta^*\text{-int}(E) = \phi, \beta^*\text{-int}(F) = F$  and  $\beta^*\text{-int}(E \cup F) = \{b, c, d\}$ . Thus  $\beta^*\text{-int}(E \cup F) \not\subseteq \beta^*\text{-int}(E) \cup \beta^*\text{-int}(F)$ .

**Theorem 5.2**

For a subset  $A$  in a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , the following statements are true:

- (1)  $B^* - cl(X/A) = X \setminus \beta^* - int(A)$ ,
- (2)  $\beta^* - int(X \setminus A) = X / \beta^* - cl(A)$ .

**Proof.**

It follows from the fact the complement of  $\beta^*$ - open set is a  $\beta^*$ - closed

And  $\bigcap_i (X / A_i) = X / \bigcup_i A_i$ .

**Theorem 5.3**

Let  $A$  be a subset of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then the following are

Equivalent to :

- (1)  $A$  is a  $\beta^*$ - open set,
- (2)  $A = \beta - int(A) \cup pint\delta(A)$

**.Proof**

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). Let  $A$  be a  $\beta^*$ - open set. Then  $A \subseteq cl(int(cl(A))) \cup int(cl\delta(A))$  and hence by (Lemma 1.1)  $A \subseteq (A \cap cl(int(cl(A)))) \cup (A \cap int(cl\delta(A))) = \beta - int(A) \cup pint\delta(A) \subseteq A$ , (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1).

**Theorem 2.4**

For a subset  $A$  of space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then the following are equivalent:

- (1)  $A$  is a  $\beta^*$ - closed set,
- (2)  $A = \beta - cl(A) \cap pcl\delta(A)$ ,

**Proof**

Theorem 5.5

$\beta^*$ - Continuous function

**Example 4.6**

Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with topology  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, c, d\}, X\}$ . Then, the function  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \tau)$  defined by  $f(a) = a, f(b) = f(c) = c$  and  $f(d) = d$  is  $\beta^*$ - continuous but it is not  $\beta^*$ - continuous. The function  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \tau)$  defined by  $f(a) = d, f(b) = a, f(c) = c$  and  $f(d) = b$  is  $e^*$ - continuous but it is not  $\beta^*$ - continuous .

**Example 4.7**

Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$  with topology  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, b, c, d\}, X\}$ . Then function  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \tau)$  which defined by  $f(a) = a, f(b) = e, f(c) = c, f(d) = d$  and  $f(e) = b$  is  $\beta^*$ - continuous but it is not  $Z^*$ - continuous.

**Theorem 5.5**

Let  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be a function. Then the following statements are

Equivalent :

- (1)  $f$  is  $\beta^*$ - continuous,
- (2) For each  $x \in X$  and  $V \in \sigma$  containing  $f(x)$ , there exists  $U \in \beta^* - O(X)$
- (3) containing  $x$  such that  $f(U) \subseteq V$ ,  
The inverse image of each closed set in  $Y$  is  $\beta^*$ - closed in  $X$ ,
- (4)  $int(cl(int(f^{-1}(B)))) \cap cl(int\delta(f^{-1}(B))) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(B))$ , for each  $B \subseteq Y$ ,
- (5)  $f^{-1}(int(B)) \subseteq cl(int(cl(f^{-1}(B)))) \cup int(cl\delta(f^{-1}(B)))$ , for each  $B \subseteq Y$ ,

- (6)  $\beta^* - cl(f - I(B)) \subseteq f - I(cl(B))$ , for each  $B \subseteq Y$ ,
- (7)  $f(\beta^* - cl(A)) \subseteq cl(f(A))$ , for each  $A \subseteq X$ ,
- (8)  $f - I(int(B)) \subseteq \beta^* - int(f - I(B))$ , for each  $B \subseteq Y$ .

**Proof**

(1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (2) and (1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (3) are obvious,

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4). Let  $B \subseteq Y$ . Then by (3)  $f - I(cl(B))$  is  $\beta^*$ -closed. This

means  $f - I(cl(B)) \supseteq int(cl(int(f - I(cl(B)))) \cap cl(int(\delta(f - I(cl(B)))) \supseteq int(cl(int(f - I(B)))) \cap cl(int(\delta(f - I(B))))$ ,

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (5). By replacing  $Y/B$  instead of  $B$  in (4), we have

$Int(cl(int(f - I(Y/B)))) \cap cl(int(\delta(f - I(Y/B)))) \subseteq f - I(cl(Y/B))$ , and

therefore  $f - I(int(B)) \subseteq cl(int(cl(f - I(B)))) \cup int(cl(\delta(f - I(B))))$ , for each  $B \subseteq Y$ ,

(5)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). Obvious,

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (6). Let  $B \subseteq Y$  and  $f - I(cl(B))$  be  $\beta^*$ -closed in  $X$ . Then

$\beta^* - cl(f - I(B)) \subseteq \beta^* - cl(f - I(cl(B))) = f - I(cl(B))$ ,

(7). Let  $A \subseteq X$ . Then  $f(A) \subseteq Y$ . By (6), we have  $f - I(cl(f(A))) \supseteq \beta^* -$

$cl(f - I(f(A))) \supseteq \beta^* - cl(A)$ . Therefore,  $cl(f(A)) \supseteq f - I(cl(f(A))) \supseteq f(\beta^* - cl(A))$ ,

(7)  $\Rightarrow$  (3). Let  $F \subseteq Y$  be a closed set. Then,  $f - I(F) = f - I(cl(F))$ . Hence by

(7),  $f(\beta^* - cl(f - I(F))) \subseteq cl(f - I(F)) \subseteq (F) = F$ , thus,  $\beta^* - cl(f - I(F)) \subseteq f - I(F)$ ,

so,  $f - I(F) = \beta^* - cl(f - I(F))$ . Therefore,  $f - I(F) \in \beta^*C(X)$ ,

$Int(f - I(int(B))) \subseteq \beta^* - int(f - I(B))$ . Therefore,  $f - I(int(B)) \subseteq \beta^* - int(f - I(B))$ ,

(8)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). Let  $U \subseteq Y$  be an open set. Then  $f - I(U) = f - I(int(U)) \subseteq \beta^* - int(f - I(U))$ .

Hence,  $f - I(U)$  is  $\beta^*$ -open in  $X$ . Therefore,  $f$  is  $\beta^*$ -continuous.

**Remarks 3.3**

The composition of two  $\beta^*$ -continuous functions need not be  $\beta^*$ -continuous as show by the following example.

**Example 4.7**

Let  $X = Y = Z = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with topologies  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$

. Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  and  $g: Y \rightarrow Z$  be functions defined

by  $f(a) = b, f(b) = b, f(c) = c, f(d) = d$  and  $g(a) = a, g(b) = c, g(c) = a, g(d) = d$ ,

respectively. Then  $f$  and  $g$  are  $\beta^*$ -continuous but  $g \circ f$  is not  $\beta^*$ -continuous.

**Theorem 5.6**

If  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is a  $\beta^*$ -continuous function and  $A$  is  $\delta$ -open in  $X$ , then the restriction  $f|_A: (A, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is  $\beta^*$ -continuous.

**Proof.**

Let  $V$  be an open set of  $Y$ . Then by hypothesis  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\beta^*$ -open in  $X$ . we have  $(f|_A)^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(V) \cap A$   
 $\beta^* \in O(A)$ . Thus, it follows that  $f|_A$  is  $\beta^*$ -continuous.

**Lemma 1.2**

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two subsets of a space  $(X, \tau)$ . If  $A \in \delta O(X)$  and  $B \in \beta^* O(A)$ , the  $A \cap B \in \beta^* O(X)$ .

**Theorem 5.7**

Let  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be a function and  $\{G_i: i \in I\}$  be a cover of  $X$  by  $\delta$ -open sets of  $(X, \tau)$ . If  $f|_{G_i}: (G_i, \tau|_{G_i}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is  $\beta^*$ -continuous for each  $i \in I$ , then  $f$  is  $\beta^*$ -continuous.

**Proof.**

Let  $V$  be an open set of  $(Y, \sigma)$ . Then by  $(f|_V)^{-1}(V) = X \cap (f|_V)^{-1}(V) = \cup \{G_i \cap f^{-1}(V): i \in I\} = \cup \{(f|_{G_i})^{-1}(V): i \in I\}$ . Since  $f|_{G_i}$  is  $\beta^*$ -

Continuous for each  $i \in I$ , then  $(f|_{G_i})^{-1}(V) \in \beta^* O(G_i)$  for each  $i \in I$ . we see  $(f|_{G_i})^{-1}(V)$  is  $\beta^*$ -continuous in  $X$ . Therefore,  $f$  is  $\beta^*$ -continuous in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Definition 2.3** The  $\beta^*$ -s frontier of a subset  $A$  of  $X$ , denoted by  $\beta^* - Fr(A)$ , is defined by  $\beta^* - Fr(A) = \beta^* - cl(A) \cap \beta^* - Cl(X/A)$  equivalently  $\beta^* - Fr(A) = \beta^* - cl(A) / \beta^* - int(A)$

**Theorem 5.8**

The set of all points  $x$  of  $X$  at which a function  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is not  $\beta^*$ -continuous is identical with the union of the  $\beta^*$ -frontiers of the inverse images of open sets containing  $f(x)$ .

**Proof.** Necessity. Let  $x$  be a point of  $X$  at which  $f$  is not  $\beta^*$ -continuous. Then, there is an open set  $V$  of  $Y$  containing  $f(x)$  such that  $U \cap (Xf^{-1}(V)) \neq \phi$ , for every  $U \in \beta^*O(X)$  containing  $x$ . Thus, we have  $x \in \beta^* - cl(Xf^{-1}(V)) = X / \beta^* - int(f^{-1}(V))$  and  $x \in f^{-1}(V)$ . Therefore, we have  $x \in \beta^* - Fr(f^{-1}(V))$ . Sufficiency. Suppose that  $x \in \beta^* - Fr(f^{-1}(V))$ , for some  $V$  is open set containing  $f(x)$ . Now, we assume that  $f$  is  $\beta^*$ -continuous at  $x \in X$ . Then there exists  $U \in \beta^*O(X)$  containing  $x$  such that  $f(U) \subseteq V$ . Therefore, we have  $x \in U \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$  and hence  $x \in \beta^* - int(f^{-1}(V)) \subseteq X / \beta^* - Fr(f^{-1}(V))$ . This is a contradiction. This means that  $f$  is not  $\beta^*$ -continuous at  $x \in V$ .

**Theorem 5.9**

If  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is a  $\beta^*$ -continuous injection and  $(Y, \sigma)$  is  $T_i$ , then  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\beta^* - T_i$ , where  $i = 0, 1, 2$ .

**Proof.**

We prove that the theorem for  $i = 1$ . Let  $Y$  be  $T_1$  and  $x, y$  be distinct points in  $X$ . There exist open subsets  $U, V$  in  $Y$  such that  $f(x) \in U, f(y) \notin U, f(x) \notin V$  and  $f(y) \in V$ . Since  $f$  is  $\beta^*$ -continuous,  $f^{-1}(U)$  and  $f^{-1}(V)$  are  $\beta^*$ -open subsets of  $X$  such that  $x \in f^{-1}(U), y \notin f^{-1}(U), x \notin f^{-1}(V)$  and  $y \in f^{-1}(V)$ . Hence,  $X$  is  $\beta^* - T_1$ .

**Theorem 5.10**

If  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is  $\beta^*$ -continuous,  $g: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is super-continuous and  $Y$  is Hausdorff, then the set  $\{x \in X: f(x) = g(x)\}$  is  $\beta^*$ -closed in  $X$ .  $f$  is  $\beta^*$ -continuous in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proof :**

Let  $A = \{x \in X: f(x) = g(x)\}$  and  $x \notin A$ . Then  $f(x) \neq g(x)$ . Since  $Y$  is Hausdorff, there exist open sets  $U$  and  $V$  of  $Y$  such that  $f(x) \in U, g(x) \in V$  and  $U \cap V = \phi$ . Since  $f$  is  $\beta^*$ -continuous, there exists a  $\beta^*$ -open set  $G$  containing  $x$  such that  $f(G) \subseteq U$ . Since  $g$  is super-continuous, there exist an  $\delta$ -open set  $H$  of  $X$  containing  $x$  such that  $g(H) \subseteq V$ . Now, put  $W = G \cap H$ , we have  $W$  is a  $\beta^*$ -open set containing  $x$  and  $f(W) \cap g(W) \subseteq U \cap V = \phi$ . Therefore, we obtain  $W \cap A = \phi$  and hence  $x \in \beta^* - cl(A)$ . This shows that  $A$  is  $\beta^*$ -closed in  $X$ . Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a function. The subse  $\{(x, f(x)): x \in X\}$  of the product space  $X \times Y$  is called the graph of  $f$  and is denoted by  $G(f)$ .

**Explain : Definition 2.4** A function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  has a  $(\beta^*, \tau)$ -graph if for each  $(x, y) \in (X \times Y) / G(f)$ , there exist a  $\beta^*$ -open  $U$  of  $X$  containing  $x$  and an open set  $V$  of  $Y$  containing  $y$  such that  $(U \times V) \cap G(f) = \phi$ .

**Proof:** It follows readily from the above definition.

**Theorem 5.11**

If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is a  $\beta^*$ -continuous function and  $Y$  is Hausdorff, then  $f$  has a  $(\beta^*, \tau)$ -s-graph.

**Proof.**

Let  $(x, y) \in X \times Y$  such that  $y \neq f(x)$ . Then there exist open set that  $y \in U, f(x) \in V$  and  $V \cap U = \phi$ . Since  $f$  is  $\beta^*$ -continuous, there exists  $\beta^*$ -open  $W$  containing  $x$  such that  $f(W) \subseteq V$ . This  $I(W) \cap U \subseteq V \cap U = \phi$ .

**Definition 2.5**

A space  $X$  is said to be  $\beta^*$ -compact if every  $\beta^*$ -open cover of  $X$  has a finite subcover.

**Theorem 5.12**

If  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  has a  $(\beta^*, \tau)$ -graph, then  $f(K)$  is closed in  $(Y, \sigma)$  for each subset  $K$  which is  $\beta^*$ -compact relative to  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proof.**

Suppose that  $y \in f(K)$ . Then  $(x, y) \in G(f)$  for each  $x \in K$ . Since  $G(f)$  is  $(\beta^*, \tau)$ -graph, there exist a  $\beta^*$ -open set  $U$  containing  $x$  and an open set  $V$  of  $Y$  containing  $y$  such that  $f(U) \cap V = \emptyset$ . The family  $\{U_x : x \in K\}$  is a cover of  $K$  by  $\beta^*$ -open sets. Since  $K$  is  $\beta^*$ -compact relative to  $(X, \tau)$ , there exists a finite subset  $K_0$  that  $K \subseteq \cup \{U_x : x \in K_0\}$ . Let  $V = \cap \{V_x : x \in K_0\}$ . have  $f(K) \cap V \subseteq (\cup_{x \in K_0} f(U_x)) \cap V \subseteq \cup_{x \in K_0} (f(U_x) \cap V) = \emptyset$ . It follows that,  $y \in cl(f(K))$ . Therefore,  $f(K)$  is closed in  $(Y, \sigma)$ .

**Corollary 6.1**

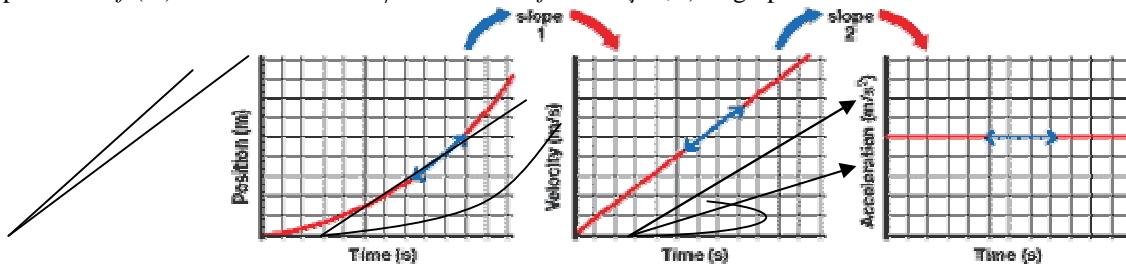
If  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is  $\beta^*$ -continuous function and  $Y$  is Hausdorff, then  $f(K)$  is closed in  $(Y, \sigma)$  for each subset  $K$  which is  $\beta^*$ -compact relative to  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 5.13**

If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is a  $\beta^*$ -continuous function and  $Y$  is a Hausdorff space, then  $f$  has a  $(\beta^*, \tau)$ -graph.

**Proof**

Let  $(x, y) \in X \times Y$  such that  $y \neq f(x)$  and  $Y$  be a Hausdorff space. Then there exist two open sets  $U$  and  $V$  such that  $y \in U, f(x) \in V$  and  $V \cap U = \emptyset$ . Since  $f$  is  $\beta^*$ -continuous, there exists a  $\beta^*$ -open set  $W$  containing  $x$  such that  $f(W) \subseteq V$ . This implies that  $f(W) \cap U \subseteq V \cap U = \emptyset$ . Therefore  $f$  has a  $(\beta^*, \tau)$ -graph.



**Corollary 6.2**

If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is  $\beta^*$ -continuous and  $Y$  is Hausdorff, then  $G(f)$  is  $\beta^*$ -closed in  $X \times Y$ .

**Theorem 5.14**

If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  has a  $(\beta^*, \tau)$ -graph and  $g: Y \rightarrow Z$  is a  $\beta^*$ -continuous function, then the set  $\{(x, y): f(x) = g(y)\}$  is  $\beta^*$ -closed in  $X \times Y$ .

**Proof:**

Let  $A = \{(x, y): f(x) = g(y)\}$  and  $(x, y) \notin A$ . We have  $f(x) \neq g(y)$  and then  $(x, g(y)) \in (X \times Z) \setminus G(f)$ . Since  $f$  has a  $(\beta^*, \tau)$ -graph, then there exist a  $\beta^*$ -open set  $U$  and an open set  $V$  containing  $x$  and  $g(y)$ , respectively such that  $f(U) \cap V = \emptyset$ . Since  $g$  is a  $\beta^*$ -continuous function, then there exist an  $\beta^*$ -open set  $G$  containing  $y$  such that  $g(G) \subseteq V$ . We have  $f(U) \cap g(G) = \emptyset$ . This implies that  $(U \times G) \cap A = \emptyset$ . Since  $U \times G$  is  $\beta^*$ -open, then  $(x, y) \notin \beta^*cl(A)$ . Therefore,  $A$  is  $\beta^*$ -closed in  $X \times Y$ .

**Corollary 6.3**

If  $f: X \rightarrow Y, g: Y \rightarrow Z$  are  $\beta^*$ -continuous functions and  $Z$  is Hausdorff, then the Set  $\{(x, y): f(x) = g(y)\}$  is  $\beta^*$ -closed in  $X \times Y$ .

**Theorem 5.15**

If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is a  $\beta^*$ -continuous function and  $Y$  is Hausdorff, then the set  $\{(x, y) \in X \times X: f(x) = f(y)\}$  is  $\beta^*$ -closed in  $X \times X$ .

**Proof:**

Let  $A = \{(x, y): f(x) = f(y)\}$  and let  $(x, y) \in (X \times X) \setminus A$ . Then  $f(x) \neq f(y)$ . Since  $Y$  is Hausdorff, then there exist open sets  $U$  and  $V$  containing  $f(x)$  and  $f(y)$ , respectively, such that  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ . But,  $f$  is  $\beta^*$ -continuous, then there exist  $\beta^*$ -open sets  $H$  and  $G$  in  $X$  containing  $x$  and  $y$ , respectively, such that  $f(H) \subseteq U$  and  $f(G) \subseteq V$ . This implies  $(H \times G) \cap A = \emptyset$  we have  $H \times G$  is a  $\beta^*$ -open set in  $X \times X$  containing  $(x, y)$ . Hence,  $A$  is  $\beta^*$ -closed in  $X \times X$ .

**Theorem 5.16**

If  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is  $\beta^*$ -continuous and  $S$  is closed in  $X \times Y$ , then  $v_x(S \cap G(f))$  is  $\beta^*$ -closed in  $X$ , where  $v_x$  represents the projection of  $X \times Y$  onto  $X$ .

**Proof.**

Let  $S$  be a closed subset of  $X \times Y$  and  $x \in \beta^*\text{-cl}(S)$ . Let  $U \in \tau$  containing  $x$  and  $V \in \sigma$  containing  $f(x)$ . Since  $f$  is  $\beta^*$ -continuous,  $x \in f^{-1}(V) \subseteq \beta^*\text{-int}(f^{-1}(V))$ . Then  $U \cap \beta^*\text{-int}(f^{-1}(V)) \cap v_x(S \cap G(f))$  contains some point  $z$  of  $X$ . This implies that  $(z, f(z)) \in S$  and  $f(z) \in V$ . Thus we have  $(U \times V) \cap S \neq \emptyset$  and hence  $x \in v_x(S \cap G(f))$ . Since  $S$  is closed, then  $(x, f(x)) \in S \cap G(f)$  and  $x \in v_x(S \cap G(f))$ . Therefore  $v_x(S \cap G(f))$  is  $\beta^*$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**II. CONCLUSION**

A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be  $\beta^*$ -connected if it is not the union of two nonempty disjoint  $\beta^*$ -open sets. If  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $\beta^*$ -connected space and  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  has a  $(\beta^*, \tau)$ -graph and  $\beta^*$ -continuous function, the constant. Suppose that  $f$  is not constant. There exist disjoint points  $x, y \in X$  such that  $f(x) \neq f(y)$ . Since  $(x, f(x)) \notin G(f)$ , then  $y \neq f(x)$ , hence by, there exist open sets  $U$  and  $V$  containing  $x$  and  $f(x)$  respectively such that  $f(U) \cap V = \emptyset$ . Since  $f$  is  $\beta^*$ -continuous, there exist  $\beta^*$ -open sets  $G$  containing  $y$  such that  $f(G) \subseteq V$ . Since  $U$  and  $V$  are disjoint  $\beta^*$ -open sets of  $(X, \tau)$ , it follows that  $(X, \tau)$  is not  $\beta^*$ -connected. Therefore,  $f$  is constant. Let  $(X_1, \tau_1), (X_2, \tau_2)$  and  $(X, \tau)$  be topological spaces. Define a function  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X_1 \times X_2, \tau_1 \times \tau_2)$  by  $f(x) = (f(x_1), f(x_2))$ . Then  $f_i: X \rightarrow (X_i, \tau_i)$ , where  $(i = 1, 2)$  is  $\beta^*$ -continuous if  $f$  is  $\beta^*$ -continuous.

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