



Contra δ gb-Continuous Functions in Topological Spaces

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Abstract. In this paper, the notion of δ gb-open sets in topological spaces is applied to study a new class of functions called contra δ gb - continuous functions as a new generalization of contra continuity and obtain their characterizations and properties.

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1. Introduction and Preliminaries

In 1996, Dontchev[6] introduced contra continuous functions. Nasef [10] introduced and studied contra b-continuous functions. Al-Omari and Noorani[1] introduced the concept of contra gb-continuous functions. Recently Benchalli et.al.[5] introduced and studied δ gb-continuous functions. These concepts motivated us to define a new class of functions called contra δ gb-continuous functions.

Throughout this paper, (X, τ) , (Y, σ) and (Z, η) (or simply X, Y and Z) represent topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed unless explicitly stated. For a subset A of a space X , the closure of A , interior of A and complement of A are denoted by $cl(A)$, $int(A)$ and A^c respectively.

Definition 1. A subset A of a topological space X is called a

(i) pre-closed [9] if $cl(int(A)) \subseteq A$

(ii) b-closed [2] if $cl(int(A)) \cap int(cl(A)) \subseteq A$

(iii) regular-closed [14] if $A = cl(int(A))$

(iv) δ -closed [17] if $A = cl_{\delta}(A)$ where $cl_{\delta}(A) = \{x \in X : int(cl(U)) \cap A \neq \emptyset, U \in \tau \text{ and } x \in U\}$

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- (v) *delta generalized b-closed (briefly, δgb -closed) [4] if $bcl(A) \subseteq G$ whenever $A \subseteq G$ and G is δ -open in X .*

The complements of the above mentioned closed sets are their respective open sets. The b -closure of a subset A of X is the intersection of all b -closed sets containing A and is denoted by $bcl(A)$.

Definition 2. A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ from a topological space X into a topological space Y is called a,

- (i) *contra continuous [6] if $f^{-1}(G)$ is closed in X for every open set G of Y .*
- (ii) *contra b -continuous [10] if $f^{-1}(G)$ is b -closed in X for every open set G of Y .*
- (iii) *contra rgb -continuous [13] if $f^{-1}(G)$ is rgb -closed in X for every open set G of Y .*
- (iv) *δgb -continuous [5] if $f^{-1}(G)$ is δgb -open in X for every open set G of Y .*
- (v) *completely-continuous [3] if $f^{-1}(G)$ is regular-open in X for every open set G of Y .*
- (vi) *perfectly-continuous [12] if $f^{-1}(G)$ is clopen in X for every open set G of Y .*
- (vii) *δ^* -continuous if $f^{-1}(G)$ is δ -open in X for every open set G of Y .*
- (viii) *contra gb -continuous [1] if $f^{-1}(G)$ is gb -closed in X for every open set G of Y .*
- (ix) *pre-closed [7] if for every closed subset A of X $f(A)$ is pre-closed in Y .*

Definition 3. [5] A topological space X is said to be a,

- (i) *$T_{\delta gb}$ -space if every δgb -closed subset of X is closed.*
- (ii) *$\delta gb T_{\frac{1}{2}}$ -space if every δgb -closed subset of X is b -closed.*

2. Contra δgb -Continuous Functions.

Definition 4. A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is called *contra δgb -continuous* if $f^{-1}(V)$ is δgb -closed in X for each open set V of Y .

Clearly, $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is *contra δgb -continuous* if and only if $f^{-1}(G)$ is δgb -open in X for every closed set G in Y .

Theorem 1. If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is *contra gb -continuous* then it is *contra δgb -continuous*.

Proof: Follows from the fact that every gb -closed set is δgb -closed.

Theorem 2. If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is *contra b -continuous* then it is *contra δgb -continuous*.

Proof: Follows from the fact that every *contra b -continuous* function is *contra gb -continuous* and Theorem 1.

Remark 1. The converse of Theorem 1 and Theorem 2 need not be true as seen from the following example.

Example 1. Let $X=Y=\{a,b,c\}$. Let $\tau=\{X,\phi,\{a\}\}$ and $\sigma=\{X,\phi,\{a\},\{b\},\{a,b\}\}$ be topologies on X and Y respectively. Then the identity function $f:X\rightarrow Y$ is contra δgb -continuous but neither contra b -continuous and nor contra gb -continuous, since $\{a\}$ is open in Y but $f^{-1}(\{a\})=\{a\}$ is not gb -closed in X and hence not b -closed in X .

Theorem 3. If $f:X\rightarrow Y$ is contra δgb -continuous then it is contra rgb -continuous.

Proof: Follows from the fact that every δgb -closed set is rgb -closed.

Remark 2. The converse of Theorem 3 need not be true as seen from the following example.

Example 2. Let $X=Y=\{a,b,c\}$. Let $\tau=\{X,\phi,\{a\},\{b\},\{a,b\}\}$ and $\sigma=\{X,\phi,\{a\}\}$ be topologies on X and Y respectively. Let $f:X\rightarrow Y$ be a function defined by $f(a)=a=f(b)$ and $f(c)=c$. Then f is contra rgb -continuous but not contra δgb -continuous, since $\{a\}$ is open in Y but $f^{-1}(\{a\})=\{a,b\}$ is not δgb -closed in X .

Theorem 4. Let $f:X\rightarrow Y$ be a function.

- (i) If X is $T_{\delta gb}$ -space then f is contra δgb -continuous if and only if it is contra continuous.
- (ii) If X is $\delta gbT_{\frac{1}{2}}$ -space then f is contra δgb -continuous if and only if it is contra b -continuous.

Proof:(i) Suppose X is $T_{\delta gb}$ -space and f is contra δgb -continuous. Let G be an open set in Y . Then by hypothesis $f^{-1}(G)$ is δgb -closed in X and hence $f^{-1}(G)$ is closed in X . Therefore f is contra continuous.

Converse is obvious .

(ii) Suppose X is $\delta gbT_{\frac{1}{2}}$ -space and f is contra δgb -continuous. Let G be an open set in Y then $f^{-1}(G)$ is δgb -closed in X and hence $f^{-1}(G)$ is b -closed in X . Therefore f is contra b -continuous.

Converse is follows from the Theorem 2.

Theorem 5. [5] Let $A\subseteq X$. Then $x\in \delta gbcl(A)$ if and only if $U\cap A\neq \Phi$, for every δgb -open set U containing x .

Lemma 1. [8] The following properties are hold for subsets A and B of a space X :

- (i) $x\in ker(A)$ if and only if $A\cap F=\phi$ for any closed set F of X containing x .
- (ii) $A\subseteq ker(A)$ and $A = ker(A)$ if A is open in X .
- (iii) If $A\subseteq B$ then $ker(A)\subseteq ker(B)$.

Theorem 6. Suppose that $\delta GBC(X)$ is closed under arbitrary intersections. Then the following are equivalent for a function $f:X\rightarrow Y$:

- (i) f is contra δgb -continuous

- (ii) For each $x \in X$ and each closed set B of Y containing $f(x)$ there exists an δgb -open set A of X containing x such that $f(A) \subseteq B$
- (iii) For each $x \in X$ and each open set G of Y not containing $f(x)$ there exists an δgb -closed set H in X not containing x such that $f^{-1}(G) \subseteq H$
- (iv) $f(\delta gbcl(A)) \subseteq \ker(f(A))$ for every subset A of X
- (v) $\delta gbcl(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(\ker(B))$ for every subset B of Y .

Proof: (i) \rightarrow (ii) Let B be a closed set in Y containing $f(x)$ then $x \in f^{-1}(B)$. By (i), $f^{-1}(B)$ is δgb -open set in X containing x . Let $A = f^{-1}(B)$ then $f(A) = f(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq B$.

(ii) \rightarrow (i) Let F be a closed set in Y containing $f(x)$ then $x \in f^{-1}(F)$. From (ii), there exists δgb -open set G_x in X containing x such that $f(G_x) \subseteq F$ which implies $G_x \subseteq f^{-1}(F)$. Thus $f^{-1}(F) = \cup \{ Ux : x \in f^{-1}(F) \}$ which is δgb -open. Hence $f^{-1}(F)$ is δgb -open set in X .

(ii) \rightarrow (iii) Let G be an open set in Y not containing $f(x)$. Then $Y-G$ is closed set in Y containing $f(x)$. From (ii), there exists a δgb -open set F in X containing x such that $f(F) \subseteq Y-G$. This implies $F \subseteq f^{-1}(Y-G) = X - f^{-1}(G)$. Hence $f^{-1}(G) \subseteq X-F$. Set $H = X-F$, then H is δgb -closed set not containing x in X such that $f^{-1}(G) \subseteq H$.

(iii) \rightarrow (ii) Let F be a closed set in Y containing $f(x)$. Then $Y-F$ is an open set in Y not containing $f(x)$. From (iii), there exists δgb -closed set K in X not containing x such that $f^{-1}(Y-F) \subseteq K$. This implies $X-K \subseteq f^{-1}(F)$ that is $f(X-K) \subseteq F$. Set $U = X-K$ then U is δgb -open set containing x in X such that $f(U) \subseteq F$.

(i) \rightarrow (iv) Let A be any subset of X . Suppose $y \notin \ker(f(A))$. Then by Lemma 1, there exists a closed set F in Y containing y such that $f(A) \cap F = \phi$. Hence we have $A \cap f^{-1}(F) = \phi$ and $\delta gb-cl(A) \cap f^{-1}(F) = \phi$ which implies $f(\delta gbcl(A)) \cap F = \phi$ and hence $y \notin \delta gbcl(A)$. Therefore $f(\delta gbcl(A)) \subseteq \ker(f(A))$

(iv) \rightarrow (v) Let $B \subseteq Y$ then $f^{-1}(B) \subseteq X$. By (iv), $f(\delta gbcl(f^{-1}(B))) \subseteq \ker(f(f^{-1}(B))) \subseteq \ker(B)$. Thus $\delta gbcl(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(\ker(B))$.

(v) \rightarrow (i) Let V be any open subset of Y . Then by (v) and Lemma 1, $\delta gbcl(f^{-1}(V)) \subseteq f^{-1}(\ker(V)) = f^{-1}(V)$ and $\delta gbcl(f^{-1}(V)) = f^{-1}(V)$. Therefore $f^{-1}(V)$ is δgb -closed set in X

Lemma 2. [16] For a subset A of a space X , the following are equivalent:

- (i) A is open and gb -closed
- (ii) A is regular open.

Theorem 7. [4] If $A \subseteq X$ is both δ -open and δgb -closed then it is b -closed.

Theorem 8. If $A \subseteq X$ is regular open then it is b -closed.

Lemma 3. For a subset A of a space X the following are equivalent:

- (i) A is δ -open and δgb -closed
- (ii) A is regular open

(iii) A is open and b -closed.

Proof: (i) \rightarrow (ii): Let A be an δ -open and δgb -closed set. Then by Theorem 7, A is b -closed that is $bcl(A) \subseteq A$ and so $int(cl(A)) \subseteq A$. Since A is δ -open then A is pre-open and thus $A \subseteq int(cl(A))$. Hence A is regular open.

(ii) \rightarrow (i): Follows from the fact that every regular open set is δ -open and by Theorem 8.

(ii) \rightarrow (iii): Follows from the fact that every regular open set is open and Theorem 8.

(iii) \rightarrow (ii): Let A be an open and b -closed set then $bcl(A) \subseteq A$ and so $int(cl(A)) \subseteq A$. since A is open, then A is pre-open and thus $A \subseteq int(cl(A))$, which implies $A = int(cl(A))$.

As a consequence of the above lemma, we have the following result:

Theorem 9. The following statements are equivalent for a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$:

(i) f is completely continuous

(ii) f is contra δgb -continuous and δ^* -continuous

(iii) f is contra b -continuous and continuous.

Definition 5. [16] A subset A of X is said to be Q -set if $int(cl(A)) = cl(int(A))$.

Definition 6. [16] A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is Q -continuous if $f^{-1}(V)$ is Q -set in X for every open set V of Y .

Theorem 10. For a subset A of a space X the following are equivalent:

(i) A is clopen

(ii) A is δ -open and δ -closed

(iii) A is regular-open and regular-closed.

Theorem 11. For a subset A of a space X the following are equivalent:

(i) A is clopen

(ii) A is δ -open, Q -set and δgb -closed

(iii) A is open, Q -set and b -closed.

Proof: (i) \rightarrow (ii): Let A be clopen then by Theorem 10 we have $A = int(cl(A)) = cl(int(A))$. Hence A is Q -set. Again by Theorem 10, A is δ -open and δ -closed. Since every δ -closed set is δgb -closed. Therefore (ii) holds.

(ii) \rightarrow (iii): Follows from the Theorem 7.

(iii) \rightarrow (i): Let A be an open, Q -set and b -closed set then by Lemma 3, A is regular open. Since A is Q -set, then $A = int(cl(A)) = cl(int(A))$ which implies A is regular closed. Hence by Theorem 10, A is clopen.

Theorem 12. *The following statements are equivalent for a function $f:X \rightarrow Y$:*

- (i) *f is perfectly continuous*
- (ii) *f is δ^* -continuous, Q -continuous and contra δgb -continuous*
- (iii) *f is continuous, Q -continuous and contra b -continuous.*

Definition 7. *A space X is called locally δgb -indiscrete if every δgb -open set is closed in X .*

Theorem 13. *If $f:X \rightarrow Y$ is a contra δgb -continuous and X is locally δgb -indiscrete space then f is continuous.*

Proof: Let G be a closed set in Y . Since f is contra δgb -continuous and X is locally δgb -indiscrete space then $f^{-1}(G)$ is a closed set in X . Hence f is continuous

Definition 8. [11] *A space X is called locally indiscrete if every open set is closed in X .*

Theorem 14. *If $f:X \rightarrow Y$ is a contra δgb -continuous preclosed surjection and X is $T_{\delta gb}$ -space then Y is locally indiscrete .*

Proof: Let V be an open set in Y . Since f is contra δgb -continuous and X is $T_{\delta gb}$ -space then $f^{-1}(G)$ is closed in X . Also f is preclosed then V is preclosed in Y . Now we have $cl(V) = cl(int(V)) \subseteq V$. This means V is closed in Y and hence Y is indiscrete.

Theorem 15. *Suppose that $\delta GBC(X)$ is closed under arbitrary intersections. If $f:X \rightarrow Y$ is contra δgb -continuous and Y is regular then f is δgb -continuous.*

Proof: Let $x \in X$ and V be an open set of Y containing $f(x)$. Since Y is regular, there exists an open set G in Y containing $f(x)$ such that $cl(G) \subseteq V$. Since f is contra δgb -continuous, there exists an δgb -open set U in X containing x such that $f(U) \subseteq cl(G)$. Then $f(U) \subseteq cl(G) \subseteq V$. Hence f is δgb -continuous.

Recall that for a function $f:X \rightarrow Y$ the subset $\{(x, f(x)) : x \in X\} \subseteq X \times Y$ is called the graph of f and is denoted by $G(f)$.

Definition 9. *The graph $G(f)$ of a function $f:X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be contra δgb -closed if for each $(x, y) \in (X \times Y) - G(f)$ there exists $U \in \delta gbO(X, x)$ and $V \in C(Y, y)$ such that $(U \times V) \cap G(f) = \phi$.*

Theorem 16. *The graph $G(f)$ of a function $f:X \rightarrow Y$ is contra δgb -closed in $X \times Y$ if and only for each $(x, y) \in (X \times Y) - G(f)$ there exists $U \in \delta gbO(X, x)$ and $V \in C(Y, y)$ such that $f(U) \cap V = \phi$.*

Theorem 17. *If $f:X \rightarrow Y$ is contra δgb -continuous and Y is Urysohn then $G(f)$ is contra δgb -closed in the product space $X \times Y$.*

Proof: Let $(x, y) \in (X \times Y) - G(f)$, then $y \neq f(x)$ and there exist open sets A and B such that $f(x) \in A$, $y \in B$ and $cl(A) \cap cl(B) = \phi$. Since f is contra δgb -continuous then there exists $U \in \delta gbO(X, x)$ such that $f(U) \subseteq cl(A)$. Therefore we obtain $f(U) \cap cl(B) = \phi$. This shows that $G(f)$ is contra δgb -closed.

Theorem 18. *If $f:X \rightarrow Y$ is δgb -continuous and Y is T_1 then $G(f)$ is contra δgb -closed in $X \times Y$.*

Proof: Let $(x,y) \in (X \times Y) - G(f)$ then $y \neq f(x)$ and there exists open set U such that $f(x) \in U$ and $y \notin U$. Since f is δgb -continuous, then there exists $V \in \delta gbO(X,x)$ such that $f(V) \subseteq U$. Therefore we obtain $f(V) \cap (Y-U) = \phi$ and $Y-U \in C(Y,y)$. This shows that $G(f)$ is contra δgb -closed.

Theorem 19. *Let $f:X \rightarrow Y$ be a function and $g:X \rightarrow X \times Y$ be the graph function of f defined by $g(x) = (x, f(x))$ for each $x \in X$. If g is contra δgb -continuous then f is contra δgb -continuous.*

Proof: Let U be an open set in Y then $X \times U$ is an open set in $X \times Y$. Since g is contra δgb -continuous. It follows that $f^{-1}(U) = g^{-1}(X \times U)$ is δgb -closed in X . Thus f is contra δgb -continuous.

Theorem 20. *If $f:X \rightarrow Y$ is contra δgb -continuous then for each $x \in X$ and for each closed set V in Y with $f(x) \in V$ there exists a δgb -open set U in X containing x such that $f(U) \subseteq V$.*

Proof: Let $x \in X$ and V is a closed set in Y with $f(x) \in V$ then $x \in f^{-1}(V)$. Since f is contra δgb -continuous, $f^{-1}(V)$ is δgb -open in X . Put $U = f^{-1}(V)$ then $x \in U$ and $f(U) = f(f^{-1}(V)) \subseteq V$.

Definition 10. [16] *A space X is submaximal and extremally disconnected if every b -open set is open.*

Theorem 21. *If A and B are δgb -closed sets in submaximal and extremally disconnected space X then $A \cup B$ is δgb -closed in X .*

Proof: Let $A \cup B \subseteq G$ where G is δ -open in X . Since $A \subseteq G, B \subseteq G$, A and B are δgb -closed sets then $bcl(A) \subseteq G$ and $bcl(B) \subseteq G$. As X is submaximal and extremally disconnected, $bcl(M) = cl(M)$ for any $M \subseteq X$. Therefore $bcl(A \cup B) = bcl(A) \cup bcl(B) \subseteq G$ and hence $A \cup B$ is δgb -closed.

Corollary 1. *If A and B are δgb -open sets in submaximal and extremally disconnected space X then $A \cap B$ is δgb -open in X .*

Theorem 22. *Suppose that $\delta GBC(X)$ is closed under arbitrary intersections then $A \subseteq X$ is δgb -closed if and only if $A = \delta gbcl(A)$*

Theorem 23. *Suppose that $\delta GBC(X)$ is closed under arbitrary intersections. If $f:X \rightarrow Y$ and $g:X \rightarrow Y$ are contra δgb -continuous, Y is Urysohn and X is submaximal and extremally disconnected, then $K = \{x \in X : f(x) = g(x)\}$ is δgb -closed in X .*

Proof: Let $x \in X - K$. Then $f(x) \neq g(x)$. Since Y is Urysohn there exist open sets U and V such that $f(x) \in U, g(x) \in V$ and $cl(U) \cap cl(V) = \phi$. Since f and g are contra δgb -continuous, $f^{-1}(cl(U))$ and $g^{-1}(cl(V))$ are δgb -open sets in X . Let $A = f^{-1}(cl(U))$ and $B = g^{-1}(cl(V))$. Then A and B are δgb -open sets containing x . Set $C = A \cap B$, then C is δgb -open set in X . Hence $f(C) \cap g(C) = f(A \cap B) \cap g(A \cap B) \subseteq f(A) \cap g(B) = cl(U) \cap cl(V) = \phi$. Therefore $C \cap K = \phi$. By Theorem 5, $x \notin \delta gbcl(K)$. Hence K is δgb -closed in X .

Definition 11. *A space X is called δgb -connected provided that X is not the union of two disjoint nonempty δgb -open sets.*

Theorem 24. *If $f:X \rightarrow Y$ is a contra δgb -continuous function from a δgb -connected space X onto any space Y then Y is not a discrete space.*

Proof: Since f is contra δgb -continuous and X is δgb -connected space. Suppose Y is a discrete space. Let V be a proper non empty open and closed subset of Y . Then $f^{-1}(V)$ is proper nonempty δgb -open and δgb -closed subset of X , which contradicts the fact that X is δgb -connected space. Hence Y is not a discrete space.

Theorem 25. *If $f:X \rightarrow Y$ is a contra δgb -continuous surjection and X is δgb -connected space then Y is connected.*

Proof: Let $f:X \rightarrow Y$ is a contra δgb -continuous and X is δgb -connected space. Suppose Y is not connected. Then there exist disjoint open sets U and V in Y such that $Y=U \cup V$. Therefore U and V are clopen in Y . Since f is contra δgb -continuous $f^{-1}(U)$ and $f^{-1}(V)$ are δgb -open sets in X . Further f is surjective implies, $f^{-1}(U)$ and $f^{-1}(V)$ are non empty disjoint and $X = f^{-1}(U) \cup f^{-1}(V)$. This contradicts the fact that X is δgb -connected space. Therefore Y is connected.

Theorem 26. *Let X be a δgb -connected and Y be T_1 -space. If $f:X \rightarrow Y$ is contra δgb -continuous then f is constant.*

Proof: Since Y is T_1 -space, $U = \{f^{-1}(y) : y \in Y\}$ is a disjoint δgb -open partition of X . If $|U| \geq 2$ then X is the union of two nonempty δgb -open sets. This contradicts the fact that X is δgb -connected. Therefore $|U| = 1$ and hence f is constant.

Definition 12. [4] *A topological space X is said to be $\delta gb-T_2$ space if for any pair of distinct points x and y there exist disjoint δgb -open sets G and H such that $x \in G$ and $y \in H$.*

Theorem 27. *Let X and Y be topological spaces. If*

- (i) *for each pair of distinct points x and y in X there exists a function $f:X \rightarrow Y$ such that $f(x) \neq f(y)$,*
- (ii) *Y is Urysohn space and*
- (iii) *f is contra δgb -continuous at x and y . Then X is $\delta gb-T_2$.*

Proof: Let x and y be any distinct points in X and f is a function such that $f(x) \neq f(y)$. Let $a=f(x)$ and $b=f(y)$ then $a \neq b$. Since Y is an Urysohn space there exist open sets V and W in Y containing a and b respectively such that $cl(V) \cap cl(W) = \phi$. Since f is contra δgb -continuous at x and y then there exist δgb -open sets A and B in X containing x and y respectively such that $f(A) \subseteq cl(V)$ and $f(B) \subseteq cl(W)$. We have $A \cap B \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(V)) \cap f^{-1}(cl(W)) = f^{-1}(\phi) = \phi$. Hence X is $\delta gb-T_2$.

Corollary 2. *Let $f:X \rightarrow Y$ be a contra δgb -continuous injective function from a space X into Urysohn space Y then X is $\delta gb-T_2$.*

Definition 13. [14] *A topological space X is called Ultra Hausdorff space if for every pair of distinct points x and y in X there exist disjoint clopen sets U and V in X containing x and y respectively.*

Theorem 28. *If $f:X \rightarrow Y$ be contra δgb -continuous injective function from space X into a Ultra Hausdorff space Y then X is $\delta gb-T_2$.*

Proof: Let x and y be any two distinct points in X . Since f is injective $f(x) \neq f(y)$ and Y is Ultra Hausdorff space implies there exist disjoint clopen sets U and V of Y containing $f(x)$ and $f(y)$ respectively. Then $x \in f^{-1}(U)$ and $y \in f^{-1}(V)$ where $f^{-1}(U)$ and $f^{-1}(V)$ are disjoint δgb -open sets in X . Therefore X is $\delta gb-T_2$.

Definition 14. [14] *A space X is called Ultra normal space if each pair of disjoint closed sets can be separated by disjoint clopen sets.*

Definition 15. [4] *A topological space X is said to be δgb -normal if each pair of disjoint closed sets can be separated by disjoint δgb -open sets.*

Theorem 29. *If $f:X \rightarrow Y$ be contra δgb -continuous closed injection and Y is ultra normal then X is δgb -normal.*

Proof: Let E and F be disjoint closed subsets of X . Since f is closed and injective $f(E)$ and $f(F)$ are disjoint closed sets in Y . Since Y is ultra normal there exists disjoint clopen sets U and V in Y such that $f(E) \subseteq U$ and $f(F) \subseteq V$. This implies $E \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$ and $F \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$. Since f is contra δgb -continuous injection, $f^{-1}(U)$ and $f^{-1}(V)$ are disjoint δgb -open sets in X . This shows X is δgb -normal.

Remark 3. *The composition of two contra- δgb -continuous functions need not be contra- δgb -continuous as seen from the following example.*

Example 3. *Let $X=Y=Z=\{a,b,c\}$, $\tau=\{X,\phi,\{a\},\{b\},\{a,b\}\}$, $\sigma=\{Y,\phi,\{a\}\}$ and $\eta=\{Z,\phi,\{b,c\}\}$ be topologies on X, Y and Z respectively. Then the identity function $f:X \rightarrow Y$ and a function $g:Y \rightarrow Z$ defined by $g(a)=b, g(b)=c$ and $g(c)=a$ are contra δgb -continuous but $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$ is not contra δgb -continuous, since there exists a open set $\{b,c\}$ in Z such that $(g \circ f)^{-1}\{b,c\}=\{a,b\}$ is not δgb -closed in X .*

Theorem 30. *Let $f:X \rightarrow Y$ and $g:Y \rightarrow Z$ be any two functions.*

- (i) *If f is contra δgb -continuous and g is continuous then $g \circ f$ is contra δgb -continuous.*
- (ii) *If f is contra δgb -continuous and g is contra continuous then $g \circ f$ is δgb -continuous.*
- (iii) *If f is δgb -continuous and g is contra continuous then $g \circ f$ is contra δgb -continuous.*
- (iv) *If f is δgb -irresolute and g is contra δgb -continuous then $g \circ f$ is contra δgb -continuous.*

Proof:(i) Let $h=g \circ f$ and V be an open set in Z . Since g is continuous, $g^{-1}(V)$ is open in Y . Therefore $f^{-1}[g^{-1}(V)]=h^{-1}(V)$ is δgb -closed in X because f is contra δgb -continuous. Hence $g \circ f$ is contra δgb -continuous.

The proofs of (ii),(iii) and (iv) are similar to (i).

Theorem 31. *Let $f:X \rightarrow Y$ be contra δgb -continuous and $g:Y \rightarrow Z$ be δgb -continuous. If Y is $T_{\delta gb}$ -space, then $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$ is contra δgb - continuous.*

Proof: Let V be any open set in Z . Since g is δgb -continuous $g^{-1}(V)$ is δgb -open in Y and since Y is $T_{\delta gb}$ -space, $g^{-1}(V)$ open in Y . Since f is contra δgb -continuous, then $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$ is δgb -closed set in X . Therefore $g \circ f$ is contra δgb -continuous.

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