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## On Pre-generalized $c^*$ -homeomorphisms in topological spaces

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### Abstract

The aim of this paper is to introduce the notion of pre-generalized  $c^*$ -homeomorphisms in topological spaces and study their basic properties.

*Key words:*  $pgc^*$ -open maps,  $pgc^*$ -continuous functions and  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphisms.

### 1. Introduction

Norman Levine introduced the concept of semi-continuous function in 1963. In 1980, Jain introduced totally continuous functions. In 2011, S.S. Benchalli and Umadevi I Neeli introduced the concept of semi-totally continuous functions in topological spaces. H. Maki *et. al.* introduced and investigated generalized homeomorphisms and  $gc$ -homeomorphisms. R. Devi *et. al.* introduced and studied semi-generalized homeomorphisms and generalized semi-homeomorphisms. In this paper, we introduce pre-generalized  $c^*$ -homeomorphisms in topological spaces and study their basic properties.

Section 2 deals with the preliminary concepts. In section 3, pre-generalized  $c^*$ -homeomorphisms in topological spaces are introduced and their basic properties are studied.

### 2. Preliminaries :

Throughout this paper  $X$  denotes a topological space on which no separation axiom is assumed. For any subset  $A$  of  $X$ ,  $cl(A)$  denotes the closure of  $A$ ,  $int(A)$  denotes the interior of  $A$ ,  $pcl(A)$  denotes the pre-closure of  $A$  and  $bcl(A)$  denotes the  $b$ -closure of  $A$ . Further  $X \setminus A$  denotes the complement of  $A$  in  $X$ . The following definitions are very useful in the subsequent sections.

*Definition: 2.1* A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$  is called

- i. a semi-open set<sup>4</sup> if  $A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$  and a semi-closed set if  $\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)) \subseteq A$ .
- ii. a pre-open set<sup>12</sup> if  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$  and a pre-closed set if  $\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) \subseteq A$ .

*Definition: 2.2*<sup>5</sup> A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$  is said to be a  $c^*$ -open set if  $\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)) \subseteq A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$ .

*Definition: 2.3* A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$  is called

- i. a generalized pre-regular closed set (briefly, gpr-closed)<sup>2</sup> if  $\text{pcl}(A) \subseteq H$  whenever  $A \subseteq H$  and  $H$  is regular-open in  $X$ .
- ii. a weakly closed set (briefly, w-closed)<sup>15</sup> (equivalently,  $\hat{g}$ -closed<sup>16</sup>) if  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq H$  whenever  $A \subseteq H$  and  $H$  is semi-open in  $X$ .

The complements of the above mentioned closed sets are their respectively open sets.

*Definition: 2.4*<sup>5</sup> A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$  is said to be a generalized  $c^*$ -closed set (briefly,  $gc^*$ -closed set) if  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq H$  whenever  $A \subseteq H$  and  $H$  is  $c^*$ -open. The complement of the  $gc^*$ -closed set is  $gc^*$ -open<sup>6</sup>.

*Definition: 2.5*<sup>8</sup> A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$  is said to be a pre-generalized  $c^*$ -closed set (briefly,  $pgc^*$ -closed set) if  $\text{pcl}(A) \subseteq H$  whenever  $A \subseteq H$  and  $H$  is  $c^*$ -open. The complement of the  $pgc^*$ -closed set is  $pgc^*$ -open<sup>9</sup>.

*Definition: 2.6* A function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is called

- i. totally-continuous<sup>3</sup> if the inverse image of every open subset of  $Y$  is clopen in  $X$ .
- ii. strongly-continuous<sup>13</sup> if the inverse image of every subset of  $Y$  is clopen subset of  $X$ .
- iii. semi-totally continuous<sup>1</sup> if the inverse image of every semi-open subset of  $Y$  is clopen in  $X$ .
- iv. gpr-continuous<sup>2</sup> if inverse image of every closed subset of  $Y$  is gpr-closed in  $X$ .
- v. w-continuous<sup>14</sup> (equivalently,  $\hat{g}$ -continuous<sup>16</sup>) if inverse image of every closed subset of  $Y$  is w-closed in  $X$ .

*Definition: 2.7*<sup>16</sup> A function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be a  $\hat{g}$ -open map if  $f(U)$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open in  $Y$  for every open set  $U$  of  $X$ .

*Definition: 2.8*<sup>6</sup> A function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be a generalized  $c^*$ -open (briefly,  $gc^*$ -open) map if  $f(U)$  is  $gc^*$ -open in  $Y$  for every open set  $U$  of  $X$ .

*Definition: 2.9*<sup>9</sup> A function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be a pre-generalized  $c^*$ -open (briefly,  $pgc^*$ -open) map if  $f(U)$  is  $pgc^*$ -open in  $Y$  for every open set  $U$  of  $X$ .

*Definition: 2.10*<sup>7</sup> Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two topological spaces. A function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is called a generalized  $c^*$ -continuous (briefly,  $gc^*$ -continuous) function if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $gc^*$ -closed in  $X$  for every closed set  $V$  of  $Y$ .

*Definition: 2.11*<sup>10</sup> Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two topological spaces. A function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is called a pre-generalized  $c^*$ -continuous (briefly,  $pgc^*$ -continuous) function if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $pgc^*$ -closed in  $X$  for every closed set  $V$  of  $Y$ .

*Definition: 2.12*<sup>16</sup> A bijective function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is called a  $\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism if  $f$  is both  $\hat{g}$ -continuous and  $\hat{g}$ -open.

*Definition: 2.13*<sup>11</sup> A bijective function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be generalized  $c^*$ -homeomorphism (briefly,  $gc^*$ -homeomorphism) if  $f$  is both  $gc^*$ -continuous and  $gc^*$ -open map.

### 3. Pre-generalized $c^*$ -homeomorphisms :

In this section, we introduce pre-generalized  $c^*$ -homeomorphisms and study their basic properties.

*Definition: 3.1* A bijective function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be pre-generalized  $c^*$ -homeomorphism (briefly,  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism) if  $f$  is both  $pgc^*$ -continuous and  $pgc^*$ -open map.

*Example: 3.2* Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $Y = \{1, 2, 3\}$ . Then, clearly  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$  is a topology on  $X$  and  $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, Y\}$  is a topology on  $Y$ . Define  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  by  $f(a)=1, f(b)=3, f(c)=2$ . Then  $f$  is both  $pgc^*$ -continuous and  $pgc^*$ -open map. Therefore,  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism.

*Proposition: 3.3* Let  $X, Y$  be topological spaces. Then every homeomorphism is a  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism.

*Proof:* Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a homeomorphism. Then  $f$  is both continuous and open map. By Proposition 3.4 [10],  $f$  is  $pgc^*$ -continuous and by Proposition 4.4 [9],  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map. Therefore,  $f$  is  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism.

The converse of Proposition 3.3 need not be true which can be verified from the following example.

*Example: 3.4* In Example 3.2, the image of the open set  $\{b\}$  in  $X$  is  $\{3\}$ , which is not open in  $Y$ . Therefore,  $f$  is not homeomorphism.

*Proposition: 3.5* Let  $X$  be a topological space. Then every  $\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism is a  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism.

*Proof:* Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a  $\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism. Then  $f$  is both  $\hat{g}$ -continuous and  $\hat{g}$ -open map. By Proposition 3.4 [10],  $f$  is  $pgc^*$ -continuous. Also, by Proposition 4.6 [9],  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map. Therefore,  $f$  is  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism.

The converse of Proposition 3.5 need not be true as seen from the following example.

*Example: 3.6* In Example 3.2, the function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism. But the inverse image of the closed set  $\{2, 3\}$  in  $Y$  under  $f$  is  $\{b, c\}$ , which is not a  $\hat{g}$ -closed set in  $X$ . Therefore,  $f$  is not a  $\hat{g}$ -continuous function. Hence  $f$  is not a  $\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism.

*Proposition: 3.7* Let  $X$  be a topological space. Then every  $gc^*$ -homeomorphism is a  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism.

*Proof:* Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a  $gc^*$ -homeomorphism. Then  $f$  is both  $gc^*$ -continuous and  $gc^*$ -open map. By Proposition 3.4 <sup>10</sup>,  $f$  is  $pgc^*$ -continuous. Since every  $gc^*$ -open map is  $pgc^*$ -open map, we have  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map. Therefore,  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism.

The following example shows that the converse the Proposition 3.7 need not be true.

*Example: 3.8* Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$  and  $Y = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ . Then, clearly  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, b, c, d\}, X\}$  is a topology on  $X$  and  $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{1, 2\}, \{1, 2, 3\}, \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, \{1, 2, 3, 5\}, Y\}$  is a topology on  $Y$ . Define  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  by  $f(a)=1, f(b)=2, f(c)=3, f(d)=4, f(e)=5$ . Then  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism. But  $f$  is not a  $gc^*$ -homeomorphism, since the inverse image of the closed set  $\{4\}$  in  $Y$  under  $f$  is  $\{d\}$ , which is not a  $gc^*$ -closed set in  $X$ .

The composition of two  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphisms need not be a  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism. For example, let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $Y = \{1, 2, 3\}$  and  $Z = \{p, q, r\}$ . Then, clearly  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$  is a topology on  $X$ ,  $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, Y\}$  is a topology on  $Y$  and  $\eta = \{\emptyset, \{p\}, \{p, q\}, Z\}$  is a topology on  $Z$ . Define  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  by  $f(a)=1, f(b)=3, f(c)=2$  and define  $g : Y \rightarrow Z$  by  $g(1)=q, g(2)=p, g(3)=r$ . Then  $f$  and  $g$  are  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphisms. Consider the closed set  $\{r\}$  in  $Z$ . Then  $(g \circ f)^{-1}(\{r\}) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(\{r\})) = f^{-1}(\{3\}) = \{b\}$ , which is not a  $pgc^*$ -closed set in  $X$ . Therefore,  $g \circ f$  is not a  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism.

*Proposition: 3.9* Let  $X, Y, Z$  be topological spaces. If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  and  $g : Y \rightarrow Z$  are homeomorphisms, then  $g \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$  is a  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism.

*Proof:* Assume that  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  and  $g : Y \rightarrow Z$  are homeomorphisms. Then  $f$  and  $g$  are both continuous and

open maps. By Proposition 3.10<sup>10</sup>,  $g \circ f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -continuous function. Also, by Proposition 4.9<sup>9</sup>,  $g \circ f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map. Hence  $g \circ f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism.

*Proposition: 3.10* Let  $X, Y$  be topological spaces. If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is strongly continuous and image of every subset of  $X$  is a clopen subset of  $Y$ , then  $f$  is  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism.

*Proof:* Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a strongly continuous function. Then by Proposition 3.4<sup>10</sup>,  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -continuous function. Now, let  $U$  be a open set in  $X$ . By our assumption,  $f(U)$  is a clopen in  $Y$ . By Proposition 3.7<sup>6</sup>,  $f(U)$  is  $gc^*$ -open in  $Y$ . This implies,  $f(U)$  is  $pgc^*$ -open in  $Y$ . Therefore,  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map. Hence  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism.

*Proposition: 3.11* Let  $X, Y$  be topological spaces. If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a semi-totally continuous function and image of every semi-open subset of  $X$  is clopen in  $Y$ , then  $f$  is  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism.

*Proof:* Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a semi-totally continuous function. Then by Proposition 3.4<sup>10</sup>,  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -continuous function. Now, let  $U$  be a open set in  $X$ . Then  $U$  is semi-open in  $X$ . By our assumption,  $f(U)$  is a clopen in  $Y$ . By Proposition 3.7<sup>6</sup>,  $f(U)$  is  $gc^*$ -open in  $Y$ . This implies,  $f(U)$  is  $pgc^*$ -open in  $Y$ . Therefore,  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map. Hence  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism.

*Proposition: 3.12* Let  $X, Y$  be topological spaces. If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a totally continuous function and image of every open subset of  $X$  is clopen in  $Y$ , then  $f$  is  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism.

*Proof:* Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a totally continuous function. Then by Proposition 3.4<sup>10</sup>,  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -continuous function. Now, let  $U$  be a open set in  $X$ . By our assumption,  $f(U)$  is a clopen in  $Y$ . By Proposition 3.7<sup>6</sup>,  $f(U)$  is  $gc^*$ -open in  $Y$ . This implies,  $f(U)$  is  $pgc^*$ -open in  $Y$ . Therefore,  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map. Hence  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism.

*Proposition: 3.13* Let  $X, Y$  be topological spaces. If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism, then  $f$  is  $gpr$ -continuous and image of every closed subset of  $X$  is  $gpr$ -closed in  $Y$ .

*Proof:* Assume that  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism. Then  $f$  is both  $pgc^*$ -continuous and  $pgc^*$ -open map. Then by Proposition 3.6<sup>10</sup>,  $f$  is  $gpr$ -continuous. Now, let  $V$  be a closed set in  $X$ . Since  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map, by Proposition 4.3<sup>9</sup>,  $f(V)$  is a  $pgc^*$ -closed set in  $Y$ . Therefore, by Proposition 3.15<sup>8</sup>,  $f(V)$  is  $gpr$ -closed in  $Y$ . Hence the proof.

*Proposition: 3.14* Let  $X, Y$  be a topological space. A bijective function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism if and only if  $f$  is  $pgc^*$ -continuous and  $f^{-1} : Y \rightarrow X$  is  $pgc^*$ -continuous.

*Proof:* Assume that  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism. Then  $f$  is  $pgc^*$ -continuous and  $pgc^*$ -open map. By Proposition 3.8<sup>10</sup>,  $f^{-1} : Y \rightarrow X$  is a  $pgc^*$ -continuous function. Conversely, assume that  $f$  is  $pgc^*$ -continuous and  $f^{-1}$  is  $pgc^*$ -continuous. Then by Proposition 3.8<sup>10</sup>,  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a  $pgc^*$ -open map. Hence  $f$  is a  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism.

*Proposition: 3.15* Let  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  be topological spaces. If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism and  $g : Y \rightarrow Z$  is totally-continuous and if  $g(U)$  is  $pgc^*$ -open for every  $pgc^*$ -open set  $U$  in  $Y$ , then  $g \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$  is  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism.

*Proof:* Let  $V$  be an open set in  $Z$ . Then  $g^{-1}(V)$  is clopen in  $Y$ . This implies,  $g^{-1}(V)$  is open in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is  $pgc^*$ -continuous, we have  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$  is  $pgc^*$ -open. That is,  $(g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$  is  $pgc^*$ -open in  $X$ . Therefore,  $g \circ f$  is  $pgc^*$ -continuous. Let  $U$  be an open set in  $X$ . Then  $f(U)$  is  $pgc^*$ -open in  $Y$ . This implies,  $g(f(U))$  is  $pgc^*$ -open in  $Z$ . That is,  $(g \circ f)(U)$  is  $pgc^*$ -open in  $Z$ . Therefore,  $g \circ f$  is  $pgc^*$ -open map. Hence  $g \circ f$  is  $pgc^*$ -homeomorphism.

*Proposition: 3.16* Let  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  be topological spaces. If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is  $\text{pgc}^*$ -homeomorphism and  $g : Y \rightarrow Z$  is semi-totally continuous and if  $g(U)$  is  $\text{pgc}^*$ -open for every  $\text{pgc}^*$ -open set  $U$  in  $Y$ , then  $g \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$  is  $\text{pgc}^*$ -homeomorphism.

*Proof:* Let  $V$  be an open set in  $Z$ . Then  $V$  is semi-open in  $Z$ . This implies,  $g^{-1}(V)$  is clopen in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is  $\text{pgc}^*$ -continuous, we have  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$  is  $\text{pgc}^*$ -open. That is,  $(g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$  is  $\text{pgc}^*$ -open in  $X$ . Therefore,  $g \circ f$  is  $\text{pgc}^*$ -continuous. Let  $U$  be an open set in  $X$ . Then  $f(U)$  is  $\text{pgc}^*$ -open in  $Y$ . This implies,  $g(f(U))$  is  $\text{pgc}^*$ -open in  $Z$ . That is,  $(g \circ f)(U)$  is  $\text{pgc}^*$ -open in  $Z$ . Therefore,  $g \circ f$  is  $\text{pgc}^*$ -open map. Hence  $g \circ f$  is  $\text{pgc}^*$ -homeomorphism.

*Proposition: 3.17* Let  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  be topological spaces. If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is both open and strongly-continuous and  $g : Y \rightarrow Z$  is  $\text{pgc}^*$ -homeomorphism, then  $g \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$  is  $\text{pgc}^*$ -homeomorphism.

*Proof:* Let  $V$  be an open set in  $Z$ . Then  $g^{-1}(V)$  is  $\text{pgc}^*$ -open in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is strongly-continuous, we have  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$  is clopen in  $X$ . That is,  $(g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$  is  $\text{pgc}^*$ -open in  $X$ . Therefore,  $g \circ f$  is  $\text{pgc}^*$ -continuous. Let  $U$  be an open set in  $X$ . Then  $f(U)$  is open in  $Y$ . This implies,  $g(f(U))$  is  $\text{pgc}^*$ -open in  $Z$ . That is,  $(g \circ f)(U)$  is  $\text{pgc}^*$ -open in  $Z$ . Therefore,  $g \circ f$  is  $\text{pgc}^*$ -open map. Hence  $g \circ f$  is  $\text{pgc}^*$ -homeomorphism.

## Conclusion

In this paper we have introduced  $\text{pgc}^*$ -homeomorphisms in topological spaces. Also, we have studied the relationship between  $\text{pgc}^*$ -homeomorphism and other continuous functions already exist.

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