

$\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ - Locally Closed Sets In Topological Spaces

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Abstract

In this paper we introduce the concept of $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}$, $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^*$ and $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^{**}$ sets using the concept of $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-open}$ and $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-closed}$ sets. Also, we present some of the weaker forms of locally continuous functions.

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I. INTRODUCTION

In 1921, Kuratowski and Sierpinski [1] introduced the notion of locally closed sets in topological spaces. In 1989, Ganster and Reilly [5] introduced the concept of LC- continuous and LC-irresolute maps using locally closed sets. Later on, many researchers have investigated on this topic and introduced different types of locally closed sets. In 2022, authors [2] introduced $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-closed}$ sets in topological spaces. In this paper, authors put forth the concept of $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}$, $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^*$ and $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^{**}$ sets using the concept of $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-open}$ and $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-closed}$ sets. Later on, we discussed about $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-LC}$ continuous (resp. $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}$ irresolute) functions and some of its basic properties are examined

II. PRELIMINARIES

Throughout this paper (X, τ) represents the topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed unless otherwise mentioned. A being a subset of a topological space (X, τ) , $\text{cl}(A)$, $\text{int}(A)$ denote the closure of A and interior of A respectively.

Definition.2.1.[2] A set A of a topological space (X, τ) is called alpha generalization of generalized star closed (briefly $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-}$

closed) if $\alpha\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is $(\text{gg})^*$ -open in (X, τ) .

Definition.2.2.[5] A set A of a topological space (X, τ) is called locally closed if $A = G \cap F$, where G is open and F is closed.

Definition.2.4. A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is called

- (i) $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -continuous [3] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- (ii) $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -irresolute if $f^{-1}(V)$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed in (X, τ) for every $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed subset V of (Y, σ) .

Definition.2.5.[4] A topological space (X, τ) is said to be a door space iff every subset of X is either open or closed.

Lemma.2.6.[2] Every closed set is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed.

III. MAIN RESULTS

Definition.3.1. A set A of a topological space (X, τ) is called $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -locally closed (briefly $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc) if $A = G \cap F$, where G is an $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open set and F is an $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed set.

Theorem 3.2.

- (i) Every $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open set in X is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc.
- (ii) Every $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed set in X is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc.

Proof.

- (i) Let A be an $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open set in X . Then $A = A \cap X$, where A is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open and X is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed. Thus A is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc.
- (ii) Let A be an $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed set in X . Then $A = X \cap A$, where X is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open and A is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed. Thus A is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc.

Remark 3.3. The converse of the above theorem need not be true in general as seen from the following example.

Example 3.4. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ with topology $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$

- (i) $\{c, d\} = X \cap \{c, d\}$. Here $\{c, d\}$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc but not $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open.
- (ii) $\{a\} = \{a, c\} \cap \{a, d\}$. Here $\{a\}$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc but not $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed.

Theorem 3.5. In a topological space (X, τ)

Every open set is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc.

- (i) Every closed set is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc.

Proof.

- (i) Let A be an open set in X . Then A is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open in X . Thus, A is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc in X .
- (ii) Let A be a closed set in X . Then A is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed in X . Thus, A is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc in X .

Remark 3.6. The converse of the above theorem need not be true in general as seen from the following example.

Example 3.7. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ with topology $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$

- (i) $\{b, c\} = \{a, b, c\} \cap \{b, c, d\}$. Here $\{b, c\}$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc but not open.
- (ii) $\{a, b\} = \{a, b, c\} \cap \{a, b, d\}$. Here $\{a, b\}$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc but not closed.

Theorem 3.8. Every locally closed set is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -locally closed.

Proof. Let A be a locally closed subset of X . Then $A = G \cap F$, where G is open and F is closed. That is, $A = G \cap F$, where G is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open and F is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed. Thus, A is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -locally closed in X .

Remark 3.9. The converse of the above theorem need not be true in general as seen from the following example.

Example 3.10. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ with topology $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$. Then $\{c\} = \{a, c\} \cap \{b, c\}$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -locally closed but not locally closed.

Theorem 3.11. A subset A of X is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc if and only if its complement, A^c is the union of an $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open set and an $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed set.

Proof. Let A be an $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc set in (X, τ) . Then $A = G \cap F$, where G is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open and F is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed. This implies that, $A^c = (G \cap F)^c = F^c \cup G^c$, where F^c is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open and G^c is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed. Conversely, assume that A^c is the union of an $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open set and an $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed set. That is, $A^c = G \cup F$, where G is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open and F is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed. This implies that $(A^c)^c = (G \cup F)^c$. That is, $A = F^c \cap G^c$, where F^c is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open and G^c is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed. Thus, A is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc set in X .

Theorem 3.12. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a continuous function. If K is locally closed subset of Y , then $f^{-1}(K)$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc in X .

Proof. Let K be a locally closed subset of Y . Then $K = G \cap F$, where G is open and F is closed. This implies that $f^{-1}(K) = f^{-1}(G \cap F) = f^{-1}(G) \cap f^{-1}(F)$, where $f^{-1}(G)$ is open and $f^{-1}(F)$ is closed. That is, $f^{-1}(K) = f^{-1}(G) \cap f^{-1}(F)$, where $f^{-1}(G)$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open and $f^{-1}(F)$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed. Thus, $f^{-1}(K)$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc in X .

Theorem 3.13. For a subset A of a topological space X

- (i) A is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc.
- (ii) $A = U \cap \alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{cl}(A)$ for some $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open set U .

Proof.

(i) $\Rightarrow$ (ii)

Suppose A is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc. Then $A = U \cap F$, where U is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open and F is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed. That is, $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{cl}(A) = \alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{cl}(U \cap F) \subseteq \alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{cl}(U) \cap \alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{cl}(F) \subseteq \alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{cl}(F) = F$. Thus, $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{cl}(A) \subseteq F$. Then $A \subseteq U \cap \alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U \cap F = A$. Hence $A = U \cap \alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{cl}(A)$.

(ii) $\Rightarrow$ (i)

Suppose that $A = U \cap \alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{cl}(A)$ for some $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open set U . Since $\text{cl}(A)$ is closed, by Lemma.2.6 the theorem follows.

IV. $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -locally closed* sets

Definition 4.1. A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is an $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -locally closed* (briefly $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^*$) set if there exists an $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open set G and a closed set F in X such that $A = G \cap F$. The set of all $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^*$ subsets of (X, τ) is denoted by $\alpha(\text{GG})^*\text{-LC}^*(X, \tau)$.

Theorem 4.2. Every locally closed set is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^*$

Proof. Let A be a locally closed set in X . Then $A = G \cap F$, where G is open and F is closed in X . This implies that $A = G \cap F$, where G is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open and F is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed in X . Thus, A is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^*$ in X .

Remark 4.3. The converse of the above theorem need not be true in general as seen from the following example.

Example 4.4. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ with topology $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$. Here $\{b, c\} = \{b, c, d\} \cap \{a, b, c\}$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^*$ but not locally closed.

Theorem 4.5. Every $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^*$ set in X is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}$.

Proof. Let A be an $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^*$ set in X . Then $A = G \cap F$, where G is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-open}$ and F is closed in X . This implies that $A = G \cap F$, where G is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-open}$ and F is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-closed}$ in X . Thus, A is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^*$ in X .

Theorem 4.6. A subset A of a topological space X is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^*$ if and only if $A = G \cap \text{cl}(A)$, for some $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-open}$ set G .

Proof. Suppose A is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^*$. Then $A = G \cap F$, where G is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-open}$ and F is closed. Then $\text{cl}(A) = \text{cl}(G \cap F) \subseteq \text{cl}(G) \cap \text{cl}(F) \subseteq \text{cl}(F) = F$. Then $A \subseteq G \cap \text{cl}(A) \subseteq G \cap F = A$ and hence $A = G \cap \text{cl}(A)$. Conversely, suppose that $A = G \cap \text{cl}(A)$, for some $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-open}$ set G . That is, A is the intersection of an $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-open}$ set and a closed set. Hence A is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^*$.

Theorem 4.7. If for a subset K of X , $K \cup (\text{cl}(K))^c$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-open}$, then K is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^*$.

Proof. Let $K \cup (\text{cl}(K))^c$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-open}$. To prove that K is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^*$. For, $K = K \cup \emptyset = K \cup ((\text{cl}(K))^c \cap \text{cl}(K)) = (K \cup (\text{cl}(K))^c) \cap (K \cup \text{cl}(K)) = (K \cup (\text{cl}(K))^c) \cap \text{cl}(K)$, since $K \subseteq \text{cl}(K)$. So, if $K \cup (\text{cl}(K))^c$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-open}$, then K is the intersection of an $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-open}$ set and a closed set. Hence K is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^*$.

Theorem 4.8. If for a subset of X , the set $\text{cl}(K) - K$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-closed}$, then K is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^*$.

Proof. For any subset K of X , $\text{cl}(K) - K = \text{cl}(K) \cap K^c = ((\text{cl}(K))^c \cup K)^c$.

Since $\text{cl}(K) - K$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-closed}$, $K \cup (\text{cl}(K))^c$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-open}$. Then by Theorem 4.7, K is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^*$.

V. $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-locally closed}^{**}$ sets

Definition 5.1. A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-locally closed}^{**}$ (briefly $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^{**}$) set if there exists an open set G and an $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-closed}$ set F such that $A = G \cap F$. The set of all $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^{**}$ sets is denoted by $\alpha(\text{GG})^*\text{-LC}^{**}(X, \tau)$.

Theorem 5.2. Every locally closed set of X is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^{**}$.

Proof. Let A be a locally closed set in X . Then $A = G \cap F$, where G is open and F is closed in X . This implies that

$A = G \cap F$, where G is open and F is $\alpha(gg)^*$ -closed in X . Thus, A is $\alpha(gg)^*$ -lc** set in X .

Remark 5.3. The converse of the above theorem need not be true in general as seen from the following example.

Example 5.4. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ with topology $\tau = \{\emptyset, c, X\}$. Here $\{c\} = \{c\} \cap \{b, c\}$ is $\alpha(gg)^*$ -lc** but not locally closed.

Theorem 5.5. Every $\alpha(gg)^*$ -lc** set in X is $\alpha(gg)^*$ -lc.

Proof. Let A be an $\alpha(gg)^*$ -lc** set in X . Then $A = G \cap F$, where G is open and F is $\alpha(gg)^*$ -closed. This implies that $A = G \cap F$, where G is $\alpha(gg)^*$ -open and F is $\alpha(gg)^*$ -closed. Thus, A is $\alpha(gg)^*$ -lc set in X .

Remark 5.6. The converse of the above theorem need not be true in general as seen from the following example.

Example 5.7. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ with topology $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$. Here $\{b\} = \{a, b\} \cap \{b, c\}$ is $\alpha(gg)^*$ -lc but not $\alpha(gg)^*$ -lc**.

Remark 5.8. The diagram shows the relation connecting all the locally closed sets.

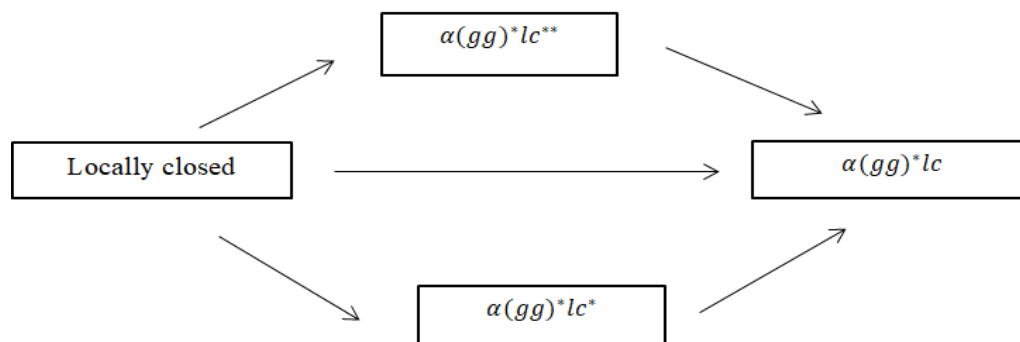


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Theorem 5.9.

- (i) If $A \in \alpha(GG)^*LC^*(X, \tau)$ and B is closed in (X, τ) then $A \cap B \in \alpha(GG)^*LC^*(X, \tau)$.
- (ii) If $A \in \alpha(GG)^*LC^{**}(X, \tau)$ and B is open in (X, τ) then $A \cap B \in \alpha(GG)^*LC^{**}(X, \tau)$.

Proof.

- (i) Given that $A \in \alpha(GG)^*LC^*(X, \tau)$ and B is closed in X . Then $A = G \cap F$, where G is $\alpha(gg)^*$ -

open and F is closed in X . Also given, B is closed in X . This implies that $A \cap B = (G \cap F) \cap B = G \cap (F \cap B)$, where G is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open and $F \cap B$ is closed. Thus, $A \cap B \in \alpha(\text{GG})^* \text{LC}^*(X, \tau)$.

(ii) Given that $A \in \alpha(\text{GG})^* \text{LC}^{**}(X, \tau)$ and B is open in X . Then $A = G \cap F$, where G is open and F is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed in X . Also given, B is open in X . This implies that $A \cap B = (G \cap F) \cap B = (G \cap B) \cap F$, where $G \cap B$ is open and F is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed. Thus, $A \cap B \in \alpha(\text{GG})^* \text{LC}^{**}(X, \tau)$.

Theorem 5.10. If every $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed set is closed in (X, τ) , then $\alpha(\text{GG})^* \text{LC}(X, \tau) = \alpha(\text{GG})^* \text{LC}^*(X, \tau)$.

Proof. Let $A \in \alpha(\text{GG})^* \text{LC}(X, \tau)$. Then $A = G \cap F$, where G is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open and F is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed in X . This implies that $A = G \cap F$, where G is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open and F is closed in X . Then $A \in \alpha(\text{GG})^* \text{LC}^*(X, \tau)$. That is, $\alpha(\text{GG})^* \text{LC}(X, \tau) \subseteq \alpha(\text{GG})^* \text{LC}^*(X, \tau)$. From Theorem 4.5, it is clear that $\alpha(\text{GG})^* \text{LC}^*(X, \tau) \subseteq \alpha(\text{GG})^* \text{LC}(X, \tau)$. Hence $\alpha(\text{GG})^* \text{LC}(X, \tau) = \alpha(\text{GG})^* \text{LC}^*(X, \tau)$.

VI. $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -Locally Continuous Functions

Definition 6.1. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. Then f is called

- (i) $\alpha(\text{GG})^*$ -LC continuous if $f^{-1}(V) \in \alpha(\text{GG})^* \text{LC}(X)$ for each open set V of Y .
- (ii) $\alpha(\text{GG})^*$ -LC* continuous if $f^{-1}(V) \in \alpha(\text{GG})^* \text{LC}^*(X)$ for each open set V of Y .
- (iii) $\alpha(\text{GG})^*$ -LC** continuous if $f^{-1}(V) \in \alpha(\text{GG})^* \text{LC}^{**}(X)$ for each open set V of Y .

Theorem 6.2.

(i) Every $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc* continuous function is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc continuous.

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very $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc** continuous function is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc continuous.

Proof.

(i) Let f be a map that is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc* continuous. Then for every open set V of Y , $f^{-1}(V) \in$

$\alpha(\text{GG})^*\text{LC}^*(X)$. By Theorem 4.5, $f^{-1}(V) \in \alpha(\text{GG})^*\text{LC}(X)$. That is, for every open set V of Y , $f^{-1}(V) \in \alpha(\text{GG})^*\text{LC}(X)$. Therefore, f is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}$ continuous.

- (ii) Let f be a map that is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^{**}$ continuous. Then for every open set V of Y , $f^{-1}(V) \in \alpha(\text{GG})^*\text{LC}^{**}(X)$. By Theorem 5.5, $f^{-1}(V) \in \alpha(\text{GG})^*\text{LC}(X)$. That is, for every open set V of Y , $f^{-1}(V) \in \alpha(\text{GG})^*\text{LC}(X)$. Therefore, f is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}$ continuous.

Theorem 6.3. If f is a locally continuous function then f is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}$ continuous (resp. $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^*$ continuous, $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^{**}$ continuous).

Proof. Let f be locally continuous. Then for every open set V of Y , $f^{-1}(V) \in \text{LC}(X)$. We know that every locally closed set in X is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}$ (resp. $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^*$, $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^{**}$). That is for every open set V in Y , $f^{-1}(V) \in \alpha(\text{GG})^*\text{LC}(X)$ (resp. $f^{-1}(V) \in \alpha(\text{GG})^*\text{LC}^*(X)$, $f^{-1}(V) \in \alpha(\text{GG})^*\text{LC}^{**}(X)$). Therefore, f is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}$ continuous (resp. $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^*$ continuous, $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^{**}$ continuous).

Theorem 6.4. If X is a door space, then every map f is

- (i) $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}$ continuous.
- (ii) $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^*$ continuous.
- (iii) $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}^{**}$ continuous.

Proof.

(i) Let X be a door space and f be a map. Let A be any open set in Y . Since X is a door space, $f^{-1}(A)$ is either open or closed in X . Clearly, for every open set A in Y , $f^{-1}(A)$ is either $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-open}$ or $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-closed}$ in X . This implies that for every open set A in Y , $f^{-1}(A) = f^{-1}(A) \cap X$, where $f^{-1}(A)$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-open}$ and X is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-closed}$ (or) $f^{-1}(A) = X \cap f^{-1}(A)$, where X is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-open}$ and $f^{-1}(A)$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-closed}$. That is, for every open set A in Y , $f^{-1}(A)$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}$ set in X . Thus, f is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-lc}$ continuous.

(ii) For any open set A in Y , $f^{-1}(A)$ is either open or closed in X . Then for every open set A in Y , $f^{-1}(A)$ is either $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-open}$ or $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-closed}$ in X . This implies that for every open set A in Y , $f^{-1}(A) = f^{-1}(A) \cap X$, where $f^{-1}(A)$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*\text{-$

open and X is closed (or) $f^{-1}(A) = X \cap f^{-1}(A)$, where X is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open and $f^{-1}(A)$ is closed. That is, for every open set A in Y , $f^{-1}(A)$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc* set in X . Thus, f is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc* continuous.

(iii) For any open set A in Y , $f^{-1}(A)$ is either open or closed in X . Then for every open set A in Y , $f^{-1}(A)$ is either $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open or $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed in X . This implies that for every open set A in Y , $f^{-1}(A) = f^{-1}(A) \cap X$, where $f^{-1}(A)$ is open and X is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed (or) $f^{-1}(A) = X \cap f^{-1}(A)$, where X is open and $f^{-1}(A)$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed. That is, for every open set A in Y , $f^{-1}(A)$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc** set in X . Thus, f is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc** continuous.

Theorem 6.5. If $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc continuous (resp. $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc* continuous, $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc** continuous) map and $g: (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is a continuous map, then $\text{gof}: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc continuous (resp. $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc* continuous, $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc** continuous).

Proof. Let g be continuous and f be $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc continuous. Since g is continuous, for every open set U in Z , $g^{-1}(U)$ is open in Y . Since f is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc* continuous, for every open set $g^{-1}(U)$ in Y , $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U))$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc in X . That is, for every open set $g^{-1}(U)$ in Y , $(\text{gof})^{-1}(U)$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc in X . Thus, $\text{gof}: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc continuous. Similarly, we can prove the other two.

VII. $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc irresolute maps

Definition 7.1. A map $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc irresolute if for every $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc set V in Y , its inverse $f^{-1}(V)$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc in X .

Similarly, we can define $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc* irresolute and $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc** irresolute.

Theorem 7.2. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be an $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -irresolute map. If $K \in \alpha(\text{GG})^* \text{LC}(Y)$ then $f^{-1}(K) \in \alpha(\text{GG})^* \text{LC}(X)$.

Proof. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be an $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -irresolute function. Let $K \in \alpha(\text{GG})^* \text{LC}(Y)$. Then $K = U \cap V$, where U is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open and V is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed. This implies that $f^{-1}(K) =$

$f^{-1}(U) \cap f^{-1}(V)$. Since f is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -irresolute, $f^{-1}(U)$ and $f^{-1}(V)$ are $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open and $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed in X respectively. Therefore, $f^{-1}(K) \in \alpha(\text{GG})^*\text{LC}(X)$.

Theorem 7.3. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -irresolute. Then f is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc irresolute.

Proof. It follows from previous theorem.

Remark 7.4. The converse of the above theorem need not be true in general as seen from the following example.

Example 7.5. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ with topologies $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{a, c\}, Y\}$ on X and Y respectively. Define a function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ such that $f(a) = c, f(b) = a, f(c) = b$. Here f is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc irresolute, but not $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -irresolute. Since for the $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed set $\{c\}$ in Y , its inverse image $\{a\}$ is not $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed in X .

Theorem 7.6. Any function defined on a door space is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc irresolute.

Proof. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function, where X is a door space and Y is any space. Let $V \in \alpha(\text{GG})^*\text{LC}(Y)$. Then by our assumption, $f^{-1}(V)$ is either open or closed. We know that, every closed set is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed. Now, $f^{-1}(V) = X \cap f^{-1}(V)$, where X is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -open and $f^{-1}(V)$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -closed. Therefore, $f^{-1}(V) \in \alpha(\text{GG})^*\text{LC}(X)$. Thus, f is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc irresolute.

Theorem 7.7. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ be any two maps. Then

- (i) $\text{gof}: X \rightarrow Z$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc irresolute (resp. $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc* irresolute, $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc** irresolute) if f is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc irresolute (resp. $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc* irresolute, $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc** irresolute) and g is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc irresolute (resp. $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc* irresolute, $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc** irresolute).
- (ii) $\text{gof}: X \rightarrow Z$ is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc continuous if f is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc irresolute and g is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc continuous.

Proof.

- (i) Let $V \in \alpha(\text{GG})^*\text{LC}(Z)$ (resp. $V \in \alpha(\text{GG})^*\text{LC}^*(Z)$, $V \in \alpha(\text{GG})^*\text{LC}^{**}(Z)$). Since g is $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc irresolute (resp. $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc* irresolute, $\alpha(\text{gg})^*$ -lc** irresolute), $g^{-1}(V) \in \alpha(\text{GG})^*\text{LC}(Y)$ (resp. $g^{-1}(V) \in$

$\alpha(GG)^*LC^*(Y)$, $g^{-1}(V) \in \alpha(GG)^*LC^*(Y)$). Since f is $\alpha(gg)^*-lc$ irresolute (resp. $\alpha(gg)^*-lc^*irresolute, \alpha(gg)^*-lc^{**}irresolute$), $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) = (gof)^{-1}(V) \in \alpha(GG)^*LC(X)$ (resp. $(gof)^{-1}(V) \in \alpha(GG)^*LC^*(X)$, $(gof)^{-1}(V) \in \alpha(GG)^*LC^{**}(X)$). Therefore, gof is $\alpha(gg)^*-lc$ irresolute (resp. $\alpha(gg)^*-lc^*irresolute, \alpha(gg)^*-lc^{**}irresolute$).

(ii) Let V be any open set in Z . Since g is $\alpha(gg)^*-lc$ continuous, $g^{-1}(V) \in \alpha(GG)^*LC(X)$. Since f is $\alpha(gg)^*-lc$ irresolute, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) = (gof)^{-1}(V) \in \alpha(GG)^*LC(X)$. Therefore, gof is $\alpha(gg)^*-lc$ continuous.

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