

# Strong Forms of $\tau^*$ -Generalized Continuous Map in Topological Spaces

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## Abstract

In this paper, we introduce a new class of maps called  $\tau^*$ -gc-irresolute map, strongly  $\tau^*$ -generalized continuous map and perfectly  $\tau^*$ -generalized continuous maps in topological space and study some of their properties and relations among them.

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## 1. Introduction

Levine [4] introduced the concept of generalized closed sets in a topological space. Dunham [3] introduced generalized closure operator  $cl^*$  and defined a topology called  $\tau^*$  topology. Balachandran, Sundaram and Maki [1] introduced and studied g-continuous maps. Pushpalatha, Eswaran and Rajarubi [5] introduced and investigated  $\tau^*$ -generalized closed sets. Eswaran and Pushpalatha [2] introduced and studied  $\tau^*$ -generalized continuous maps in a topological spaces.

In this paper, we introduce new class of maps namely  $\tau^*$ -gc-irresolute maps, strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous maps and perfectly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous maps

Throughout this paper  $(X, \tau^*)$  and  $(Y, \sigma^*)$  (or 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  $(X, \tau^*)$ ,  $cl(A)$ ,  $cl^*(A)$  and  $A^c$  represent closure of  $A$ , closure\* of  $A$  and complement of  $A$  respectively.

## 2. Preliminaries

Since we need the following definitions and some results, we recall them.

**Definition 2.1.** [4] A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called generalized closed (briefly  $g$ -closed) in  $X$  if  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq G$  whenever  $A \subseteq G$  and  $G$  is open in  $X$ . A subset  $A$  is called generalized open (briefly  $g$ -open) in  $X$  if its complement  $A^c$  is  $g$ -closed.

**Definition 2.2.** [5] A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau^*)$  is called  $\tau^*$ -generalized closed (briefly  $\tau^*$ - $g$ -closed)  $\text{cl}^*(A) \subseteq G$  whenever  $A \subseteq G$  and  $G$  is  $\tau^*$ -open in  $X$ . A subset  $A$  is called  $\tau^*$ -generalized open (briefly  $\tau^*$ - $g$ -open) in  $X$  if its complement  $A^c$  is  $\tau^*$ - $g$ -closed.

**Definition 2.3.** [3] For the subset  $A$  of a topological  $X$ , the topology  $\tau^*$  is defined by  $\tau^* = \{G : \text{cl}^*(G^c) = G^c\}$

**Definition 2.4.** [3] For the subset  $A$  of a topological  $X$ , the generalized closure operator  $\text{cl}^*$  is defined as the intersection of all  $g$ -closed sets containing  $A$ .

**Definition 2.5.** [1] A collection  $\{A_i : i \in I\}$  of  $g$ -open sets in a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called a  $g$ -open cover of a subset  $B$  if  $B \subseteq \cup\{A_i : i \in I\}$ .

**Definition 2.6.** A map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  from a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  into a topological space  $(Y, \sigma)$  is called

- (i) Continuous if the inverse image of every closed set (or open set) in  $Y$  is closed (or open) in  $X$ .
- (ii) generalized continuous[1]( $g$ -continuous) if the inverse image of every closed set in  $Y$  is  $g$ -closed in  $X$ .
- (iii)  $gc$ -irresolute[1] if the inverse image of every  $g$ -closed set in  $Y$  is  $g$ -closed in  $X$ .
- (iv) strongly  $g$ -continuous[1] if the inverse image of every  $g$ -open set in  $Y$  open in  $X$ .
- (v) perfectly  $g$ -continuous[1] if the inverse image of every  $g$ -open set in  $Y$  is both open and closed in  $X$ .

**Definition 2.7.** [5] A map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  from a topological space  $(X, \tau^*)$  into a topological space  $(Y, \sigma^*)$  is called  $\tau^*$ -generalized continuous ( $\tau^*$ - $g$ -continuous) if the inverse image of every  $g$ -closed set in  $Y$  is  $\tau^*$ - $g$ -closed in  $X$ .

**Remark 2.8.** In [5], it has been proved that (i) every closed set is  $\tau^*$ - $g$ -closed and (ii) every  $g$ -closed set is  $\tau^*$ - $g$ -closed.

### 3. $\tau^*$ -g-irresolute maps in topological spaces

In this section, we introduce a new class of maps called  $\tau^*$ -g-irresolute maps which is included in the class of  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous maps. We investigate some basic properties also.

**Definition 3.1.** A map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  from a topological space  $(X, \tau^*)$  into a topological space  $(Y, \sigma^*)$  is called  $\tau^*$ -g-irresolute if the inverse image of every  $\tau^*$ -g-closed set in  $Y$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-closed in  $X$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** A map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-irresolute if and only if the inverse image of every  $\tau^*$ -g-open set in  $Y$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-open in  $X$ .

**Proof:** Assume that  $f$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-irresolute. Let  $A$  be any  $\tau^*$ -g-open set in  $Y$ . Then  $A^c$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-closed in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-irresolute,  $f^{-1}(A^c)$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-closed in  $X$ . But  $f^{-1}(A^c) = X - f^{-1}(A)$  and so  $f^{-1}(A)$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-open in  $X$ . Hence the inverse image of every  $\tau^*$ -g-open set in  $Y$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-open in  $X$ .

Conversely assume that the inverse image of every  $\tau^*$ -g-open set in  $Y$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-open in  $X$ . Let  $A$  be any  $\tau^*$ -g-closed in  $Y$ . Then  $A^c$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-open in  $Y$ . By assumption,  $f^{-1}(A^c)$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-open in  $X$ . But  $f^{-1}(A^c) = X - f^{-1}(A)$  and so  $f^{-1}(A)$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-closed in  $X$ . Therefore  $f$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-irresolute

**Theorem 3.3.** A map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-irresolute if and only if it is  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous.

**Proof:** Assume that  $f$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-irresolut. Let  $F$  be any g-closed set in  $Y$ . By Remark 2.8,  $F$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-closed in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-irresolut,  $f^{-1}(F)$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-closed in  $X$ . Therefore  $f$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous.

Conversely, assume that  $f$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous. Let  $F$  be any g-closed set in  $Y$ . By Remark 2.8,  $F$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-closed in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous,  $f^{-1}(F)$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-closed in  $X$ . Therefore  $f$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-irresolute.

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  be any topological spaces. For any  $\tau^*$ -g-irresolute map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  and any  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous map  $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ , the composition  $g \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous.

**Proof:** Let  $F$  be any g-closed set in  $Z$ . Since  $g$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous,  $g^{-1}(F)$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-closed in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-irresolut,  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F))$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-closed in  $X$ . But  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(F)$ . Therefore  $g \circ f$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous.

**Theorem 3.5.** If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  from a topological space  $(X, \tau^*)$  into a topological space  $(Y, \sigma^*)$  is bijective, g-open and  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous then  $f$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-irresolute.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be a  $\tau^*$ -g-closed set in  $Y$ . Let  $f^{-1}(A) \subseteq O$  where  $O$  is g-open in  $X$ . Therefore,  $A \subseteq f(O)$  holds. Since  $f(O)$  is g-open and  $A$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-closed in  $Y$ ,  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq f(O)$  holds and hence  $f^{-1}(\text{cl}(A)) \subseteq O$ . Since  $f$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous and  $\text{cl}(A)$  is g-closed in  $Y$ ,  $\text{cl}(f^{-1}(\text{cl}(A))) \subseteq O$  and so  $\text{cl}(f^{-1}(A)) \subseteq O$ . Therefore,  $f^{-1}(A)$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-closed in  $X$ . Hence  $f$  is  $\tau^*$ -gc-irresolute.

#### 4. Strongly $\tau^*$ -g-continuous maps and Perfectly $\tau^*$ -g-continuous maps

Levine [4] and K.Balachandran, P.Sundaram and H.Maki [1] introduced and investigated strongly continuity and strongly g-continuity in topological spaces respectively. In this section we introduce two forms of continuous maps in topological spaces namely strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous and perfectly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous maps.

**Definition 4.1.** A map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  from a topological space  $(X, \tau^*)$  into a topological space  $(Y, \sigma^*)$  is said to be strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous if the inverse image of every  $\tau^*$ -g-open set (or  $\tau^*$ -g-closed set) in  $Y$  is g-open (or g-closed) in  $X$ .

**Theorem 4.2.** If a map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  from a topological space  $(X, \tau^*)$  into a topological space  $(Y, \sigma^*)$  is strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous then it is  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous but not conversely.

**Proof:** Assume that  $f$  is strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous. Let  $G$  be any g-closed set in  $Y$ . By Remark 2.8,  $G$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-closed in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous,  $f^{-1}(G)$  is g-closed in  $X$ . Therefore  $f$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous.

Converse of the above theorem need not be true as seen from the following example.

**Example 4.3.** Let  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{c\}\}$ ,  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{c\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an identity map. Then  $f$  is  $\tau^*$ -continuous. But  $f$  is not strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous, since for the  $\tau^*$ -g-closed set  $G = \{c\}$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(G) = \{c\}$  is not g-closed in  $X$ .

**Theorem 4.4.** A map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  from a topological space  $(X, \tau^*)$  into a topological space  $(Y, \sigma^*)$  is strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous if and only if the inverse image of every  $\tau^*$ -g-closed set in  $Y$  is g-closed in  $X$ .

**Proof:** Assume that  $f$  is strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous. Let  $F$  be any  $\tau^*$ -g-closed set in  $Y$ . Then  $F^c$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-open set in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous,  $f^{-1}(F^c)$  is g-open in  $X$ . But  $f^{-1}(F^c) = X - f^{-1}(F)$  and so  $f^{-1}(F)$  is g-closed in  $X$ .

Conversely assume that the inverse image of every  $\tau^*$ -g-closed set in  $Y$  is g-closed in  $X$ . Let  $G$  be any  $\tau^*$ -g-open set in  $Y$ . Then  $G^c$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-closed set in  $Y$ . By assumption,  $f^{-1}(G^c)$  is g-closed in  $X$ . But  $f^{-1}(G^c) = X - f^{-1}(G)$  and so  $f^{-1}(G)$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-open in  $X$ . Therefore,  $f$  is strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous.

**Theorem 4.5.** If a map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous and a map  $g : Y \rightarrow Z$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous then the composition  $g \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$  is strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous.

**Proof:** Let  $G$  be any g-closed set in  $Z$ . Since  $g$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous,  $g^{-1}(G)$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-closed in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous,  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(G))$  is g-closed in  $X$ . But  $(g \circ f)^{-1}(G) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(G))$ . Therefore,  $g \circ f$  is strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous.

**Theorem 4.6.** If a map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous and a map  $g : Y \rightarrow Z$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous then the composition  $g \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous.

**Proof:** Let  $G$  be any g-closed set in  $Z$ . Since  $g$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous,  $g^{-1}(G)$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-closed in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous,  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(G))$  is g-closed in  $X$ . By Remark 2.8,  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(G))$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-closed. But  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(G)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(G)$ . Therefore,  $g \circ f$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous.

**Theorem 4.7.** If a map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  from a topological space  $(X, \tau^*)$  into a topological space  $(Y, \sigma^*)$  is continuous then it is strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous but not conversely.

**Proof:** Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be continuous. Let  $F$  be a closed set in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is continuous,  $f^{-1}(F)$  is closed in  $X$ . By Remark 2.8,  $F$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-closed and since every closed set is g-closed,  $f^{-1}(F)$  is g-closed. Hence  $f$  is strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous.

Converse of the above theorem need not be true as seen from the following example.

**Example 4.8.** Let  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$ ,  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$ . Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an identity map. Then  $f$  is strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous. But  $f$  is not continuous since for the closed set  $F = \{b\}$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(F) = \{b\}$  is not closed in  $X$ .

**Theorem 4.9.** If a map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  from a topological space  $(X, \tau^*)$  into a topological space  $(Y, \sigma^*)$  is g-continuous then it is strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous.

**Proof:** Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be g-continuous. Let  $F$  be a closed set in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is g-continuous,  $f^{-1}(F)$  is g-closed in  $X$ . By Remark 2.8,  $F$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-closed in  $Y$ . Hence  $f$  is strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous.

**Definition 4.10.** A map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  from a topological space  $(X, \tau^*)$  into a topological space  $(Y, \sigma^*)$  is said to be perfectly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous if the inverse image of every  $\tau^*$ -g-closed set in  $Y$  is both g-open and g-closed in  $X$ .

**Theorem 4.11.** If a map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  from a topological space  $(X, \tau^*)$  into a topological space  $(Y, \sigma^*)$  is perfectly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous then it is strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous but not conversely.

**Proof:** Assume that  $f$  is perfectly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous. Let  $G$  be any  $\tau^*$ -g-closed set in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is perfectly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous,  $f^{-1}(G)$  is g-closed in  $X$ . Therefore,  $f$  is strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous.

Converse of the above theorem need not be true as seen from the following example.

**Example 4.12.** Let  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}\}$ ,  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$ . Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an identity map. Then  $f$  is strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous. But it is not perfectly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous since for the  $\tau^*$ -g-closed set  $G = \{b, c\}$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(G) = \{b, c\}$  is g-open but not g-closed in  $X$ .

**Theorem 4.13.** A map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  from a topological space  $(X, \tau^*)$  into a topological space  $(Y, \sigma^*)$  is perfectly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous if and only if the inverse image of every  $\tau^*$ -g-closed set in  $Y$  is both g-open and g-closed in  $X$ .

**Proof:** Assume that  $f$  is perfectly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous. Let  $F$  be any  $\tau^*$ -g-closed set in  $Y$ . Then  $F^c$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-open in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is perfectly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous,  $f^{-1}(F^c)$  is both g-open and g-closed in  $X$ . But  $f^{-1}(F^c) = X - f^{-1}(F)$  and so  $f^{-1}(F)$  is both g-open and g-closed in  $X$ .

Conversely assume that the inverse image of every  $\tau^*$ -g-closed set in  $Y$  is both g-open and g-closed in  $X$ . Let  $G$  be any  $\tau^*$ -g-open set in  $Y$ . Then  $G^c$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-closed in  $Y$ . By assumption,  $f^{-1}(G^c) = X - f^{-1}(G)$  and so  $f^{-1}(G)$  is both g-open and g-closed in  $X$ . Therefore  $f$  is perfectly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous.

**Theorem 4.14.** If a map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  from a topological space  $(X, \tau^*)$  into a topological space  $(Y, \sigma^*)$  is strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous then it is  $\tau^*$ -gc-irresolute but not conversely.

**Proof:** Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous map. Let  $F$  be a  $\tau^*$ -g-closed set in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous,  $f^{-1}(F)$  is g-closed in  $X$ . By Remark 2.8,  $f^{-1}(F)$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-closed in  $X$ . Hence  $f$  is  $\tau^*$ -gc-irresolute.

Converse of the above theorem need not be true as seen from the following example.

**Example 4.15.** Let  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{c\}\}$ ,  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an identity map. Then  $f$  is  $\tau^*$ -gc-irresolute. But  $f$  is not strongly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous since for the  $\tau^*$ -g-closed set  $F = \{c\}$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(F) = \{c\}$  is not g-closed in  $X$ .

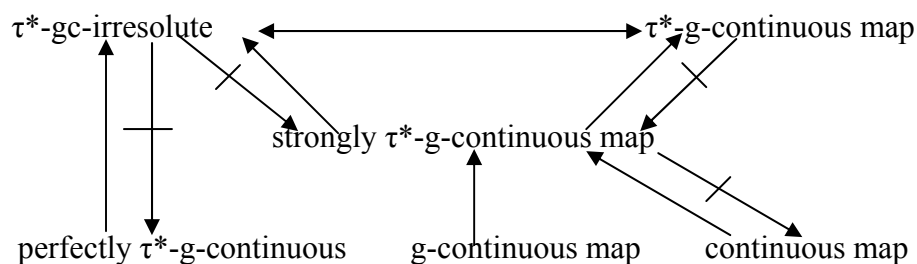
**Theorem 4.16** If a map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  from a topological space  $(X, \tau^*)$  into a topological space  $(Y, \sigma^*)$  is perfectly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous then it is  $\tau^*$ -gc-irresolute but not conversely.

**Proof:** Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be perfectly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous map. Let  $F$  be a  $\tau^*$ -g-closed set in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is perfectly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous,  $f^{-1}(F)$  is both g-open and g-closed in  $X$ . By Remark 2.8,  $f^{-1}(F)$  is  $\tau^*$ -g-closed in  $X$ . Hence  $f$  is  $\tau^*$ -gc-irresolute.

Converse of the above theorem need not be true as seen from the following example.

**Example 4.17** Let  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$ ,  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}\}$ . Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an defined by  $f(a) = b, f(b) = c, f(c) = a$ . Then  $f$  is  $\tau^*$ -gc-irresolute. But  $f$  is not perfectly  $\tau^*$ -g-continuous since for the  $\tau^*$ -g-closed set  $F = \{c\}$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(F) = \{c\}$  is g-open in  $X$  but not g-closed in  $X$ .

**Remark 4.14.** From the above, we obtain the following implications.



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