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# A Note on gw-Continuity Induced by Generalized w-Open Sets in Associated w-Spaces

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#### **Abstract**

The purpose of this paper is to introduce the notions of gw-continuous and  $gw^*$ -continuous functions induced by gw-open sets in associated w-spaces, and to study some properties and the relationships among such notions and other continuity.

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## 1 Introduction

Siwiec [20] introduced the notions of weak neighborhoods and weak base in a topological space. We introduced the weak neighborhood systems defined by using the notion of weak neighborhoods in [11]. The weak neighborhood system induces a weak neighborhood space which is independent of neighborhood spaces [4] and general topological spaces [2]. The notions of weak structure,

w-space, W-continuity and  $W^*$ -continuity were investigated in [12]. In [13], The notions of associated w-spaces, WO-continuity and WK-continuity were investigated. Levine [5] introduced the notion of g-closed subsets in topological spaces. In fact, the set of all g-closed subsets is a kind of weak structure. In the same way, we introduced the notions of gw-closed sets [15] and  $gw_{\tau}$ -closed sets [16] in weak spaces, and investigated some basic properties of such notions. The notions of gW-continuous,  $gW^*$ -continuous, gW-irresolute, and  $gW^*$ -irresolute functions induced by gw-open sets introduced in [18], and also the notions of  $gw_{\tau}W$ -continuous,  $gw_{\tau}W^*$ -continuous,  $gw_{\tau}W$ -irresolute, and  $gw_{\tau}W^*$ -irresolute functions investigated in [18]. The purpose of this note is to introduce the notions of gw-continuity and  $gw^*$ -continuity and to study the relationships among such notions and the other continuity in associated w-spaces.

#### 2 Preliminaries

Let X be a nonempty set. A subfamily  $w_X$  of the power set P(X) is called a weak structure [12] on X if it satisfies the following:

- (1)  $\emptyset \in w_X$  and  $X \in w_X$ .
- (2) For  $U_1, U_2 \in w_X, U_1 \cap U_2 \in w_X$ .

Then the pair  $(X, w_X)$  is called a w-space on X. Then  $V \in w_X$  is called a w-open set and the complement of a w-open set is a w-closed set. The collection of all w-open sets (resp., w-closed sets) in a w-space X will be denoted by W(X) (resp., WC(X)). We set  $W(X) = \{U \in W(X) : x \in U\}$ .

Let S be a subset of a topological space X. The closure (resp., interior) of S will be denoted by clS (resp., intS). A subset S of X is called a preopen set [9] (resp.,  $\alpha$ -open set [19], semi-open [6]) if  $S \subset int(cl(S))$  (resp.,  $S \subset int(cl(int(S)))$ ,  $S \subset cl(int(S))$ ). The complement of a preopen set (resp.,  $\alpha$ -open set, semi-open) is called a preclosed set (resp.,  $\alpha$ -closed set, semi-closed). The family of all preopen sets (resp.,  $\alpha$ -open sets, semi-open sets) in X will be denoted by PO(X) (resp.,  $\alpha(X)$ , SO(X)). We know the family  $\alpha(X)$  is a topology finer than the given topology on X. And a subset A of X is said to be g-closed [5] (resp., gp-closed [7], gs-closed [1, 3] ) if cl(A) (resp., pCl(A),  $sCl(A) \subset U$  whenever  $A \subset U$  and U is open in X.

Then the family  $\tau$ , GO(X),  $g\alpha O(X)$ , and  $g\alpha^*O(X)$ , are all weak structures on X. But PO(X), GPO(X) and SO(X) are not weak structures on X. A subfamily  $m_X$  of the power set P(X) of a nonempty set X is called a *minimal structure* on X [8] if  $\emptyset \in w_X$  and  $X \in w_X$ . Thus clearly every weak structure is a minimal structure.

For a subset A of X, the w-closure of A and the w-interior of A are defined as follows in [12]:

- $(1) wC(A) = \bigcap \{F : A \subseteq F, X F \in w_X\}.$
- $(2) wI(A) = \bigcup \{U : U \subseteq A, U \in w_X\}.$

**Theorem 2.1** ([12]). Let  $(X, w_X)$  be a w-space and  $A \subseteq X$ .

- (1)  $x \in wI(A)$  if and only if there exists an element  $U \in W(x)$  such that  $U \subseteq A$ .
  - (2)  $x \in wC(A)$  if and only if  $A \cap V \neq \emptyset$  for all  $V \in W(x)$ .
  - (3) If  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $wI(A) \subseteq wI(B)$ ;  $wC(A) \subset wC(B)$ .
  - (4) wC(X A) = X wI(A); wI(X A) = X wC(A).
  - (5) If A is w-closed (resp., w-open), then wC(A) = A (resp., wI(A) = A).

Let  $(X, w_X)$  be a w-space and  $A \subseteq X$ . Then A is called a generalized w-closed set (simply, a gw-closed set) [15] if  $wC(A) \subseteq U$ , whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is w-open. Then the union of two gw-closed sets is a gw-closed set, but the intersection of two gw-closed sets is not always gw-closed. The family of all w-closed sets (resp., gw-closed sets, gw-open sets) in X will be denoted by WC(X) (resp., GWC(X), GW(X)). We set  $gW(x) = \{U \in GW(X) : x \in U\}$ . And A is called a generalized w-open set (simply, a gw-open set) if X - A is gw-closed. Then A is gw-open if and only if  $F \subseteq wI(A)$  whenever  $F \subseteq A$  and F is w-closed. For a subset A of X, gw-closure of A and gw-interior [15] of A are defined as the following:

- (1)  $gwC(A) = \bigcap \{F : A \subseteq F, F \text{ is } gw\text{-closed}\}.$
- (2)  $gwI(A) = \bigcup \{U : U \subseteq A, U \text{ is } gw\text{-open}\}.$

**Theorem 2.2** ([15]). Let  $(X, w_X)$  be a w-space and  $A \subseteq X$ .

- (1) If A is gw-open (gw-closed), then gwI(A) = A (gwC(A) = A).
- (2) If  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $gwI(A) \subseteq gwI(B)$ ;  $gwC(A) \subseteq gwC(B)$ .
- (3) gwC(X A) = X gwI(A); gwI(X A) = X gwC(A).
- (4)  $x \in gwI(A)$  iff there exists a gw-open set U containing x such that  $U \subseteq A$ .
  - (5)  $x \in gwC(A)$  iff  $A \cap V \neq \emptyset$  for all gw-open set V containing x.

## 3 Main Results

First, we recall that: Let X be a nonempty set and let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space. A subfamily w of the power set P(X) is called an associated weak structure (simply,  $w_{\tau}$ ) [13] on X if  $\tau \subseteq w$  and w is a weak structure. Then the pair  $(X, w_{\tau})$  is called an associated w-space with  $\tau$ .

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a function in two associated w-spaces. Then f is said to be

- (1) gw-continuous if for  $x \in X$  and for each open set V containing f(x), there is a gw-open set U containing x such that  $f(U) \subseteq V$ :
- (2)  $gw^*$ -continuous if for every open set V in Y,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is a gw-open set in X.

Obviously we obtain the following theorem:

**Theorem 3.2.** Every  $gw^*$ -continuous function is gw-continuous.

The following example supports that the converse of the above theorem is not true in general.

**Example 3.3.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ , a topology  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a, c\}, X\}$  and an associated w-structure  $w = \{\emptyset, \{a, c\}, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, d\}, X\} \text{ in } X$ . Then for the power set P(X) of X,  $GW(X) = P(X) - \{\{b, c, d\}, \{b, d\}\}$  is the set of all gw-open sets. Consider a function  $f: (X, w) \to (X, w)$  defined by f(a) = b; f(b) = a; f(c) = d; f(d) = c. Then f is gw-continuous. For an open set  $\{a, c\}$ ,  $f^{-1}(\{a, c\}) = \{b, d\}$  is not gw-open, and so f is not gw-continuous.

We recall that: Let  $(X, w_{\tau})$  be an associated w-space with a topology  $\tau$  and  $A \subseteq X$ . Then A is called a generalized  $w_{\tau}$ -closed set (simply,  $gw_{\tau}$ -closed set) [16] if  $cl(A) \subseteq U$ , whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is w-open.

- Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a function in two associated w-spaces w-spaces. Then f is said to be
- (1)  $gw_{\tau}$ -continuous [17] if for  $x \in X$  and for each open set V containing f(x), there is a  $gw_{\tau}$ -open set U containing x such that  $f(U) \subseteq V$ :
- (2)  $gw_{\tau}^*$ -continuous [17] if for every open set V in Y,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is a  $gw_{\tau}$ -open set in X.

Obviously, the following things are obtained:

**Theorem 3.4.** (1) Every  $gw_{\tau}$ -continuous function is gw-continuous.

(2) Every  $gw_{\tau}^*$ -continuous function is  $gw^*$ -continuous.

*Proof.* Since every  $qw_{\tau}$ -open set is qw-open, the things are obvious.

The following example supports that the converses of the above theorem are not true in general.

**Example 3.5.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ , a topology  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$  and  $w_X = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, b, d\}, X\}$  be a *w*-structure in *X*. Note that:

$$WC(X) = \{\emptyset, \{b, c, d\}, \{c, d\}, \{b, d\}, \{b, c\}, \{c\}, X\};$$

$$GW_{\tau}C(X) = \{\emptyset, \{b, c\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, X\};$$

$$GW_{\tau}(X) = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{d\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, d\}, X\};$$

$$GWC(X) = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, d\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, b, c\},$$

$$\{a, c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, X\};$$

$$GW(X) = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{d\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\},$$

$$\{a, c, d\}, \{a, b, d\}, X\}.$$

Consider a function  $f: X \to X$  defined as: f(a) = f(c) = a; f(b) = b; f(d) = d. Then f is gw-continuous and  $gw^*$ -continuous. But for an open set  $\{a\}$ ,  $f^{-1}(\{a\}) = \{a,c\}$  is not  $gw_{\tau}$ -open. So f is not neither  $gw_{\tau}$ -continuous nor  $gw_{\tau}^*$ -continuous.

Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a function in two associated w-spaces w-spaces. Then f is said to be

- (1) WO-continuous [13] if for  $x \in X$  and for each open set V containing f(x), there is a w-open set U containing x such that  $f(U) \subseteq V$ ;
- (2) WK-continuous [13] if for every open set V in Y,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is a w-open set in X.

Obviously, the following things are obtained:

**Theorem 3.6.** (1) Every WO-continuous function is gw-continuous.

(2) Every WK-continuous function is qw-continuous.

*Proof.* Since every w-open set is gw-open, they are obtained.

The following example supports that the converses of the above theorem are not true in general.

**Example 3.7.** Consider the function f defined in Example 3.5. Then f is gw-continuous and  $gw^*$ -continuous but neither WO-continuous nor WK-continuous.

Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a function on w-spaces. Then f is said to be

- (1) gW-continuous [18] if for  $x \in X$  and for each w-open set V containing f(x), there is a gw-open set U containing x such that  $f(U) \subseteq V$ ;
- (2)  $gW^*$ -continuous [18] if for every w-open set V in Y,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is a gw-open set in X.

Obviously, the following things are obtained:

**Theorem 3.8.** (1) Every gW-continuous function is gw-continuous.

(2) Every  $gW^*$ -continuous function is  $gw^*$ -continuous.

*Proof.* Since every open set is w-open, the things are obtained.

The following example supports that the converses of the above theorem are not true in general.

**Example 3.9.** (1) The function f defined in Example 3.5 is obviously  $gw^*$ -continuous but not  $gW^*$ -continuous.

(2) In Example 3.5, consider a function  $g: X \to X$  defined by g(a) = b; g(b) = a; g(c) = c; g(d) = d. Then g is gw-continuous. For a w-open set  $V = \{a, c\}$  and for  $g(c) = c \in U$ , there is no any gw-open set U containing c such that  $g(U) \subseteq V$ . So, g is not  $gW^*$ -continuous.

Let  $f:(X, w_{\tau}) \to (Y, w_{\mu})$  be a function on two associated w-spaces with  $\tau$  and  $\mu$ . Then f is said to be

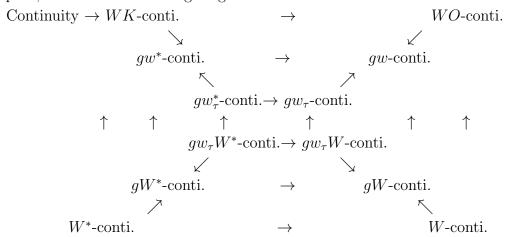
- (1) gW-irresolute [18] if for  $x \in X$  and for each gw-open set V containing f(x), there is gw-open set U containing x such that  $f(U) \subseteq V$ ;
- (2)  $gW^*$ -irresolute [18] if for every gw-open set V in Y,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is gw-open in X.

In [18], we showed that every gW-irresolute is gW-continuous and very  $gW^*$ -irresolute function is  $gW^*$ -continuous. From Theorem 3.4, the following theorem is directly obtained:

**Theorem 3.10.** (1) Every gW-irresolute is gw-continuous.

(2) Every  $qW^*$ -irresolute function is  $qw^*$ -continuous.

**Remark 3.11.** For a function from an associated w-space to an associated w-space, we have the following diagram:



Continuity  $\longrightarrow gw_{\tau}^*$ -continuity  $\longrightarrow gw_{\tau}$ -continuity

**Theorem 3.12.** Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a function on w-spaces. Then f is  $gw^*$ -continuous if and only if for every closed set F in Y,  $f^{-1}(F)$  is gw-closed in X.

*Proof.* It is obvious.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 3.13.** Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a function on w-spaces. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) f is gw-continuous.
- (2)  $f(gwC(A)) \subseteq cl(f(A))$  for  $A \subseteq X$ .
- (3)  $gwC(f^{-1}(V)) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(V))$  for  $V \subseteq Y$ .
- (4)  $f^{-1}(int(V)) \subseteq gwI(f^{-1}(V))$  for  $V \subseteq Y$ .

Proof. Obvious.

Corollary 3.14. Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a function on w-spaces. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) f is qw-continuous.
- (2)  $f^{-1}(V) = gwI(f^{-1}(V))$  for every open set  $V \in Y$ .
- (3)  $f^{-1}(B) = gwC(f^{-1}(B))$  for every closed set  $B \subseteq Y$ .

*Proof.* From Theorem 2.2 and Theorem 3.13, it is obvious.  $\Box$ 

Let (X, w) be a w-space. Let gW(x) (resp., W(x)) denote the set of all gw-open (resp., w-open) set containing x in X. A collection  $\mathcal{H}$  of subsets of X is called an m-family [10] on X if  $\cap \mathcal{H} \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be an m-family on X. Then we say that an m-family  $\mathcal{H}$  gw-converges (resp., converges) to  $x \in X$  if  $\mathcal{H}$  is finer than gW(x) (resp., O(x)) i.e.,  $gW(x) \subseteq \mathcal{H}$  (resp.,  $O(x) \subseteq \mathcal{H}$ ). Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a function; then it is obvious  $f(\mathcal{H}) = \{f(F) : F \in \mathcal{H}\}$  is an m-family on Y.

**Theorem 3.15.** Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a function on w-spaces. If f is gw-continuous, then for an m-family  $\mathcal{H}$  gw-converging to  $x \in X$ , an m-family  $\langle f(\mathcal{H}) \rangle = \{F: H \subseteq F \text{ for some } H \in f(\mathcal{H})\}$  converges to f(x).

Proof. Let f be gw-continuous and let  $\mathcal{H}$  be an m-family gw-converging to  $x \in X$ . By gw-continuity, for an open set V containing f(x), there exists a gw-open set U containing x such that  $f(U) \subseteq V$ . Since  $f(gW(x)) \subseteq f(\mathcal{H})$ ,  $V \in f(\mathcal{H}) >$ , and so  $O(f(x)) \subseteq f(\mathcal{H}) >$ . Hence the m-family  $f(x) > f(\mathcal{H}) >$  converges to f(x).

**Theorem 3.16.** Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a bijective function on w-spaces. Then f is  $gw^*$ -continuous iff for an m-family  $\mathcal{H}$  gw-converging to  $x \in X$ , the m-family  $f(\mathcal{H})$  converges to f(x).

*Proof.* Suppose f is  $gw^*$ -continuous and  $\mathcal{H}$  is an m-family gw-converging to  $x \in X$ . By hypothesis and surjectivity,  $O(f(x)) \subseteq f(gW(x)) \subseteq f(\mathcal{H})$ , and so the m-family  $f(\mathcal{H})$  converges to f(x).

For the converse, let  $U \in O(f(x))$  for  $U \subseteq Y$ . Since the family gW(x) clearly gw-converges to x, by hypothesis, we get  $O(f(x)) \subseteq f(gW(x))$  for  $x \in X$ . Since f is injectivity,  $f^{-1}(U) \in gW(x)$ .

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