

On Topological $\psi^*\alpha$ -Quotient Mappings

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Abstract: Only a few class of generalized closed sets form a topology. The class of $\psi^*\alpha$ -closed set is one among them. In this paper we introduce $\psi^*\alpha$ -quotient maps using $\psi^*\alpha$ -closed sets and study their properties. Also we obtain the relations between weak and strong form of $\psi^*\alpha$ -quotient maps. We also study the relationship between $\psi^*\alpha$ -quotient maps and already existing quotient maps.

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1. Introduction

Njastad [10] introduced the concept of an α -open sets. Lellis Thivagar [6] introduced the concept of α -quotient mappings and α^* -quotient mappings in topological spaces. Balamani and Parvathi [1] introduced the notion of $\psi^*\alpha$ -closed sets using ψ g-open sets. In this paper we introduce and study $\psi^*\alpha$ -quotient mappings.

2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper (X, τ) , (Y, σ) and (Z, η) represent non-empty topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed, unless otherwise mentioned. The interior and closure of a subset A of a space (X, τ) are denoted by $\text{int}(A)$ and $\text{cl}(A)$ respectively.

Definition 2.1 A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is called

- 1) generalized closed set (briefly g-closed)[7] if $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in (X, τ) .
- 2) semi-generalized closed set (briefly sg-closed)[5] if $\text{scl}(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is semi-open in (X, τ) .
- 3) ψ -closed set [12] if $\text{scl}(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is sg-open in (X, τ) .
- 4) ψ g-closed set [11] if $\psi\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in (X, τ) .
- 5) $\psi^*\alpha$ -closed set [1] if $\alpha\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is ψ g-open in (X, τ) .
- 6) The $\psi^*\alpha$ -closure of a set A is defined as $\psi^*\alpha\text{cl}(A) = \bigcap \{F \subseteq X: A \subseteq F \text{ and } F \text{ is } \psi^*\alpha\text{-closed in } (X, \tau)\}$ [1]

Definition 2.2 A topological space (X, τ) is said to be a $\psi^*\alpha T_c$ -space if every $\psi^*\alpha$ -closed subset of (X, τ) is closed in (X, τ) . [2]

Definition 2.3 A map $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called

- (i) Continuous [7] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is closed in (X, τ) for each closed set V of (Y, σ) .
- (ii) α -continuous [8] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is α -closed in (X, τ) for every closed set V of (Y, σ) .
- (iii) $\psi^*\alpha$ -continuous [3] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is $\psi^*\alpha$ -closed in (X, τ) for each closed set V of (Y, σ) .
- (iv) quasi $\psi^*\alpha$ -continuous [4] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is closed in (X, τ) for each $\psi^*\alpha$ -closed set V of (Y, σ) .

Definition 2.4 A map $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called $\psi^*\alpha$ -irresolute [4] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is $\psi^*\alpha$ -closed in (X, τ) for every $\psi^*\alpha$ -closed set V of (Y, σ) .

Definition 2.5 A surjective map $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called

- (i) a quotient map [9], provided a subset U of (Y, σ) is open in (Y, σ) if and only if $f^{-1}(U)$ is open in (X, τ) .
- (ii) an α -quotient map [6] if f is α -continuous and $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in (X, τ) implies V is an α -open set in (Y, σ) .
- (iii) an α^* -quotient map [6] if f is α -irresolute and $f^{-1}(V)$ is an α -open set in (X, τ) implies V is an open set in (Y, σ) .

3 $\psi^*\alpha$ -quotient maps, strongly $\psi^*\alpha$ -quotient maps and $(\psi^*\alpha)^*$ -quotient maps

Definition 3.1 A surjective map $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called a $\psi^*\alpha$ -quotient map if f is $\psi^*\alpha$ -continuous and $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in (X, τ) implies V is a $\psi^*\alpha$ -open set in (Y, σ)

Example 3.2 Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$, $Y = \{l, m, n\}$, $\sigma = \{\phi, \{l, m\}, Y\}$, $\psi^*\alpha O(X) = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$ and $\psi^*\alpha O(Y) = \{\phi, \{l\}, \{m\}, \{l, m\}, Y\}$. Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a map defined by $f(a) = l$, $f(b) = m$, $f(c) = n$. Then f is a $\psi^*\alpha$ -quotient map.

Definition 3.3 A map $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called $\psi^*\alpha$ -open (resp. strongly $\psi^*\alpha$ -open) if $f(U)$ is $\psi^*\alpha$ -open (resp. strongly $\psi^*\alpha$ -open) if $f(U)$ is $\psi^*\alpha$ -open

-open in (Y, σ) for every open set (resp. $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set) U in (X, τ) .

Proposition 3.4 If a map $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is surjective, $\psi^* \alpha$ -continuous and $\psi^* \alpha$ -open, then f is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map.

Proof: It is enough to prove that $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in (X, τ) implies V is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (Y, σ) . Let $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in (X, τ) . Then $f(f^{-1}(V))$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open, since f is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open. As f is surjective $f(f^{-1}(V)) = V$ and so V is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (Y, σ) . Hence f is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map.

Definition 3.5 Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a surjective map. Then f is called **strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map** provided a set U of (Y, σ) is open in Y if and only if $f^{-1}(U)$ is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (X, τ) .

Example 3.6 Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, c, d\}, X\}$, $Y = \{l, m, n\}$, $\sigma = \{\phi, \{l\}, \{m\}, \{l, m\}, Y\}$, $\psi^* \alpha O(X) = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, c, d\}, X\}$ and $\psi^* \alpha O(Y) = \{\phi, \{l\}, \{m\}, \{l, m\}, Y\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a map defined by $f(a) = l = f(b)$, $f(c) = m$, $f(d) = n$. Then f is a strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map.

Proposition 3.7 Every strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open map but not conversely.

Proof: $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map. Let V be an open set in (X, τ) . Since every open set is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open and hence V is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (X, τ) . That is $f^{-1}(f(V))$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (X, τ) . Since f is strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient, $f(V)$ is open and hence $f(V)$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (Y, σ) . Therefore f is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open map.

Example 3.8 Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, X\}$, $Y = \{l, m, n\}$, $\sigma = \{\phi, \{l\}, \{m\}, \{l, m\}, \{l, n\}, Y\}$, $\psi^* \alpha O(X) = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, X\}$ and $\psi^* \alpha O(Y) = \{\phi, \{l\}, \{m\}, \{l, m\}, \{l, n\}, Y\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a map defined by $f(a) = l = f(b)$, $f(c) = n$, $f(d) = m$. Then f is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open but not strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient, since $f^{-1}(\{m\}) = \{d\}$ is not $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (X, τ) .

Proposition 3.9 Every strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map is a strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -open map but not conversely.

Proof: $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map. Let V be a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (X, τ) . That is $f^{-1}(f(V))$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (X, τ) . Since f is strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient, $f(V)$ is open and hence $f(V)$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (Y, σ) . Therefore f is a strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -open map.

Example 3.10 Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$, $Y = \{l, m, n\}$, $\sigma = \{\phi, \{l, m\}, Y\}$, $\psi^* \alpha O(X) = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and $\psi^* \alpha O(Y) = \{\phi, \{l\}, \{m\}, \{l, m\}, Y\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a map defined by $f(a) = l$, $f(b) = m$, $f(c) = n$. Then f is strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -open but not strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient, since $f^{-1}(\{l\}) = \{a\}$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (X, τ) but the set $\{l\}$ is not open in (Y, σ) .

Definition 3.11 Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a surjective map. Then f is called a **$(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient map** if f is $\psi^* \alpha$ -irresolute and $f^{-1}(U)$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (X, τ) implies U is open in (Y, σ) .

Example 3.12 Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, c, d\}, X\}$, $Y = \{l, m, n\}$, $\sigma = \{\phi, \{l\}, \{l, m\}, \{l, n\}, Y\}$, $\psi^* \alpha O(X) = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, c, d\}, X\}$ and $\psi^* \alpha O(Y) = \{\phi, \{l\}, \{l, m\}, \{l, n\}, Y\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a map defined by $f(a) = l$, $f(b) = n$, $f(c) = f(d) = m$. Then f is a strongly $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient map.

Proposition 3.13 Every $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient map is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -irresolute map but not conversely.

Proof: Follows from the definition.

Example 3.14 Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, c, d\}, X\}$, $Y = \{l, m, n\}$, $\sigma = \{\phi, \{l\}, \{l, m\}, Y\}$, $\psi^* \alpha O(X) = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, c, d\}, X\}$ and $\psi^* \alpha O(Y) = \{\phi, \{l\}, \{l, m\}, \{l, n\}, Y\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a map defined by $f(a) = l$, $f(b) = n$, $f(c) = f(d) = m$. Then f is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -irresolute map but not strongly $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient map, since $f^{-1}(\{l, n\}) = \{a, b\}$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (X, τ) but the set $\{l, n\}$ is not open in (Y, σ) .

Proposition 3.15 Every $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient map is a strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -open map but not conversely.

Proof: $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient map. Let V be a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (X, τ) . That is $f^{-1}(f(V))$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (X, τ) . Since f is $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient, $f(V)$ is open and hence $f(V)$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (Y, σ) . Therefore f is a strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -open map.

Example 3.16 Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$, $Y = \{l, m, n\}$, $\sigma = \{\phi, \{l, m\}, Y\}$, $\psi^* \alpha O(X) = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and $\psi^* \alpha O(Y) = \{\phi, \{l\}, \{m\}, \{l, m\}, Y\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a map defined by $f(a) = l$, $f(b) = m$, $f(c) = n$. Then f is strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -open but not $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient, since $f^{-1}(\{l\}) = \{a\}$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (X, τ) but the set $\{l\}$ is not open in (Y, σ) .

Proposition 3.17

- (i) Every quotient map is a $\psi^* \alpha$ - quotient map.
- (ii) Every α - quotient map is a $\psi^* \alpha$ - quotient map.

Proof: (i) Since every continuous map is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -continuous map and every open set is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open, the proof follows from the definition.

(ii) Since every α -continuous map is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -continuous map and every α -open set is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open, the proof follows from the definition.

The converse of the statements in the above proposition need not be true as seen from the following examples.

Example 3.18 Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, c, d\}, X\}$, $Y = \{l, m, n\}$, $\sigma = \{\phi, \{l\}, Y\}$, $\psi^* \alpha O(X) = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, c, d\}, X\}$ and $\psi^* \alpha O(Y) = \{\phi, \{l\}, \{l, m\}, \{l, n\}, Y\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a map defined by $f(a) = l$, $f(b) = n$, $f(c) = f(d) = m$. Then the map f is $\psi^* \alpha$ - quotient but not quotient, since for the $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set $\{l, m\}$ in (Y, σ) . $f^{-1}(\{l, m\}) = \{a, c, d\}$ is open in (X, τ) but the set $\{l, m\}$ is not open in (Y, σ) .

Example 3.19 Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$, $Y = \{l, m, n\}$, $\sigma = \{\phi, \{l, m\}, Y\}$, $\psi^* \alpha O(X) = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, X\}$, $\psi^* \alpha O(Y) = \{\phi, \{l\}, \{m\}, \{l, m\}, Y\}$ and $\alpha O(Y) = \{\phi, \{l, m\}, Y\}$ Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a map defined by $f(a) = l$, $f(b) = m$, $f(c) = f(d) = n$. Then the map f is $\psi^* \alpha$ - quotient but not α - quotient, since $(f^{-1}(\{l\}) = \{a\})$ is open in (X, τ) but the set $\{l\}$ is not α - open in (Y, σ) .

Proposition 3.20 Every strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map is a $\psi^* \alpha$ - quotient map but not conversely.

Proof: Let V be an open set in (Y, σ) . Since f is strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient, $f^{-1}(V)$ is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (X, τ) . Hence f is $\psi^* \alpha$ -continuous, Let $f^{-1}(V)$ be an open set in (X, τ) . Then $f^{-1}(V)$ is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (X, τ) . Since f is strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient, V is open in (Y, σ) . Hence f is $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient.

Example 3.21 Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, c, d\}, X\}$, $Y = \{l, m, n\}$, $\sigma = \{\phi, \{l\}, Y\}$, $\psi^* \alpha O(X) = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, c, d\}, X\}$ and $\psi^* \alpha O(Y) = \{\phi, \{l\}, \{l, m\}, \{l, n\}, Y\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a map defined by $f(a) = l$, $f(b) = n$, $f(c) = f(d) = m$. Then the map f is $\psi^* \alpha$ - quotient but not strongly

$\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient, since for the $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set $\{l, m\}$ in (Y, σ) . $f^{-1}(\{l, m\}) = \{a, c, d\}$ is open in (X, τ) but the set $\{l, m\}$ is not open in (Y, σ) .

Proposition 3.22 Every $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient map is strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map but not conversely.

Proof: Let V be an open set in (Y, σ) . Then it is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (Y, σ) . Since f is $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient, $f^{-1}(V)$ is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (X, τ) . If $f^{-1}(V)$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (X, τ) . Then V is open in (Y, σ) as f is $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient. Hence f is a strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ - quotient map.

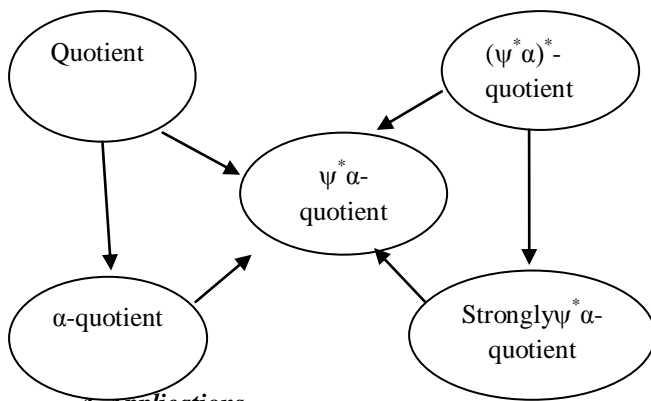
Example 3.23 Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$, $Y = \{l, m, n\}$, $\sigma = \{\phi, \{l\}, Y\}$, $\psi^* \alpha O(X) = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, X\}$ and $\psi^* \alpha O(Y) = \{\phi, \{l\}, \{l, m\}, \{l, n\}, Y\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a map defined by $f(a) = l$, $f(b) = n = f(c)$, $f(d) = m$. Then the map f is strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ - quotient but not $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient, since for the $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set $\{l, n\}$ in (Y, σ) $f^{-1}(\{l, n\}) = \{a, b, c\}$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (X, τ) but the set $\{l, n\}$ is not open in (Y, σ) .

Proposition 3.24 Every $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient map is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map but not conversely.

Proof: Let f be a $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient map. Then f is $\psi^* \alpha$ -irresolute, by **theorem 3.4[4]** f is $\psi^* \alpha$ -continuous. Let $f^{-1}(V)$ be an open set in (X, τ) . Then $f^{-1}(V)$ is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (X, τ) . As f is $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient, V is a open set in (Y, σ) . It implies that V is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (Y, σ) . Hence f is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map.

Example 3.25 Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$, $Y = \{l, m, n\}$, $\sigma = \{\phi, \{l\}, Y\}$, $\psi^* \alpha O(X) = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, X\}$ and $\psi^* \alpha O(Y) = \{\phi, \{l\}, \{l, m\}, \{l, n\}, Y\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a map defined by $f(a) = l$, $f(b) = n = f(c)$, $f(d) = m$. Then the map f is $\psi^* \alpha$ - quotient but not $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient, since for the $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set $\{l, m\}$ in (Y, σ) $f^{-1}(\{l, m\}) = \{a, d\}$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (X, τ) but the set $\{l, m\}$ is not open in (Y, σ) .

Remark 3.26 From the above observations we have the following diagram, where $A \rightarrow B$ represents A implies B but not conversely



4. Applications

Proposition 4.1 If a map $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is open, surjective and $\psi^* \alpha$ -irresolute and $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map. Then $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map.

Proof: Let V be any open set in (Z, η) . Then $g^{-1}(V)$ is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (Y, σ) , since g is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map. Since f is $\psi^* \alpha$ -irresolute, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (X, τ) which implies that $(g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (X, τ) . This shows that $g \circ f$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -continuous.

Now assume that $(g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$ is open in (X, τ) for a subset $V \subseteq Z$. Since f is open, $f(f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)))$ is open in (Y, σ) . This implies that $g^{-1}(V)$ is open in (Y, σ) , as f is surjective. Since g is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map, V is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (Z, η) . Hence $g \circ f$ is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map.

Proposition 4.2 If $h : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map and $g : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is a continuous map where Z is a space that is constant on each set $h^{-1}(\{y\})$ for each $y \in Y$, then g induces $\psi^* \alpha$ -continuous map $f : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ such that $f \circ h = g$.

Proof: Since g is constant on $h^{-1}(\{y\})$ for each $y \in Y$, the set $g(h^{-1}(\{y\}))$ is a one point set in (Z, η) . If we let $f(y)$ to denote this point, then it is clear that f is well defined and for each $x \in X$, $f(h(x)) = g(x)$. We prove that f is $\psi^* \alpha$ -continuous. For if we let V be any open set in (Z, η) , then $g^{-1}(V)$ is an open set as g is continuous. But $g^{-1}(V) = h^{-1}(f^{-1}(V))$ is open in (X, τ) . Since h is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map, $f^{-1}(V)$ is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (Y, σ) . Hence f is $\psi^* \alpha$ -continuous.

Proposition 4.3 Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -open, surjective and $\psi^* \alpha$ -irresolute map and $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ be a strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map. Then $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is a strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map.

Proof: Let V be any open set in (Z, η) . Then $g^{-1}(V)$ is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (Y, σ) , since g is strongly

$\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient. Since f is $\psi^* \alpha$ -irresolute, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (X, τ) which implies that $(g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (X, τ) .

Now assume that $(g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$ is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (X, τ) for a subset $V \subseteq Z$. Then $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (X, τ) . Since f is strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -open, $f(f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)))$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (Y, σ) . This implies that $g^{-1}(V)$ is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (Y, σ) , as f is surjective. This gives that V is an open set in (Z, η) , since g is a strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map. Hence $g \circ f$ is a strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map.

Proposition 4.4 Let $p : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map where (X, τ) and (Y, σ) are $\psi^* \alpha T_c$ -spaces. A map $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is quasi $\psi^* \alpha$ -continuous if and only if the composite map $g \circ p : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is a quasi $\psi^* \alpha$ -continuous map.

Proof: Let g be quasi $\psi^* \alpha$ -continuous and U be any $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (Z, η) . Then $g^{-1}(U)$ is open in (Y, σ) . Since p is $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient, $p^{-1}(g^{-1}(U)) = (g \circ p)^{-1}(U)$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (X, τ) . Since (X, τ) is a $\psi^* \alpha T_c$ -space, $p^{-1}(g^{-1}(U))$ is open in (X, τ) . Thus $(g \circ p)$ is quasi $\psi^* \alpha$ -continuous.

Conversely, assume that $(g \circ p)$ is quasi $\psi^* \alpha$ -continuous. Let U be any $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (Z, η) . $p^{-1}(g^{-1}(U))$ is open in (X, τ) . Since p is $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient, $g^{-1}(U)$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (Y, σ) . Since (Y, σ) is a $\psi^* \alpha T_c$ -space, $g^{-1}(U)$ is open in (Y, σ) . Hence g is quasi $\psi^* \alpha$ -continuous.

Proposition 4.5 Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -open, surjective and $\psi^* \alpha$ -irresolute map and $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ be a $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient map. Then $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is a $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient map.

Proof: Since f and g are $\psi^* \alpha$ -irresolute, $g \circ f$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -irresolute by **theorem 4.16[4]** Suppose that $(g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (X, τ) for a subset $V \subseteq Z$, that is $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (X, τ) . Since f is strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -open and surjective, $f(f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))) = g^{-1}(V)$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (Y, σ) . Since g is $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient implies V is open in (Z, η) . Hence $g \circ f$ is a $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient map.

Proposition 4.6 Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient and $\psi^* \alpha$ -irresolute map and $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ be a $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient map. Then $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is a $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient map.

Proof: Let V be a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (Z, η) . Then $g^{-1}(V)$ is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (Y, σ) , since g is $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient. Since f is $\psi^* \alpha$ -irresolute, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (X, τ) which implies that $(g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (X, τ) . This shows that $g \circ f$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -irresolute. Let $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (X, τ) for a subset $V \subseteq Z$. Since f is strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient, $g^{-1}(V)$ is open in (Y, σ) . This implies that $g^{-1}(V)$ is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (Y, σ) . Since g is $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient, V is open in (Z, η) . Hence $(g \circ f)$ is a $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient map.

Proposition 4.7 Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ and $g: (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ are $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient maps. Then $g \circ f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is also a $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient map.

Proof: Let V be any $\psi^* \alpha$ -open set in (Z, η) . Then $g^{-1}(V)$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (Y, σ) , since g is $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient. Since f is $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$ is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (X, τ) . This shows that $g \circ f$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -irresolute. Let $(g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (X, τ) . Then $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (Y, σ) . Since f is $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient, $g^{-1}(V)$ is open in (Y, σ) . Since g is $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient, V is open in (Z, η) . Hence $(g \circ f)$ is $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient.

Proposition 4.8 Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a map where (X, τ) and (Y, σ) are $\psi^* \alpha T_c$ -spaces. Then the following statements are equivalent.

- (i) f is a $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient map
- (ii) f is strongly $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map
- (iii) f is a $\psi^* \alpha$ -quotient map

Proof: (i) \Rightarrow (ii) Follows from **Proposition 3.22**

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii) Follows from **Proposition 3.20**

(iii) \Rightarrow (i) Since (Y, σ) is a $\psi^* \alpha T_c$ -space, f is $\psi^* \alpha$ -irresolute by **theorem 3.7 [4]** Suppose $f^{-1}(V)$ is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (X, τ) . Since (X, τ) is a $\psi^* \alpha T_c$ -space, $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in (X, τ) . By (iii), V is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (Y, σ) . Since (Y, σ) is a $\psi^* \alpha T_c$ -space, V is $\psi^* \alpha$ -open in (Y, σ) . Hence f is a $(\psi^* \alpha)^*$ -quotient map.

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