

On β wg-Continuous and β wg-Irresolute Functions in Topological Spaces

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Abstract: The purpose of this paper is to introduce a new type of functions called the β wg - continuous functions. Here, also β wg - irresolute maps, β wg-closed and β wg-open functions are defined and studied. Further some of their fundamental properties are investigated.

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I. INTRODUCTION

In 1982, A. S. Mashhour, M. E. Abd El-Monsef and S. N. El-Deeb [21] introduced the concept of pre-continuity in topological spaces. In 1983, M. E. Abd El - Monsef, S.N. El-Deeb and R.A.Mahmoud [1] introduced the concept of β -open sets and β -continuous mappings in topological spaces Later, K. Balachandran, P. Sundram and H. Maki [6] introduced and studied the concept of generalized continuous functions. I. Arokirani, et. al., [4] defined gp-irresolute and gp-continuous functions and investigated their properties. M.K.R.S.Veerakumar [36] introduced g^*p -closed sets, g^*p -continuous maps, g^*p -irresolute maps and their properties. C.Sekar and J.Rajakumari [31] introduced αg^*p - closed sets and their properties. Recently, the authors [24] have introduced β wg - closed sets and some of their properties. In this paper we study a new class of functions, namely, β wg-continuous functions and β wg-irresolute functions. Also, we study some of the characterization and basic properties of these functions.

II. PRELIMINARIES

In this paper, the spaces X , Y and Z always mean topological spaces (X, τ) , (Y, σ) and (Z, η) respectively. For a subset A of X , the closure of A and the interior of A will be denoted by $cl(A)$ and $int(A)$ respectively. The union of all β -open sets of X contained in A is called β -interior of A and it is denoted by $\beta int(A)$. The intersection of all β -closed sets of X containing A is called β -closure of A and it is denoted by $\beta cl(A)$.

We recall the following definitions which are useful in the sequel.

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

- (i) preopen [21] if $A \subseteq int(cl(A))$ and preclosed if $cl(int(A)) \subseteq A$.
- (ii) semi-open [15] if $A \subseteq cl(int(A))$ and semi-closed if $int(cl(A)) \subseteq A$.
- (iii) α -open [13] if $A \subseteq int(cl(int(A)))$ and α -closed if $cl(int(cl(A))) \subseteq A$.
- (iv) semi-preopen[3] (β -open[1]) if $A \subseteq cl(int(cl(A)))$ and semi-preclosed[3] (β -closed [2]) if $int(cl(int(A))) \subseteq A$.
- (v) regular open [32] if $A = int(cl(A))$ and regular closed if $A = cl(int(A))$.

Definition 2.2: A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is called a

- (i) g -closed [16] if $cl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in X .
- (ii) sg -closed [7] if $scl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is semi-open in X .
- (iii) gs -closed [10] if $scl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in X .
- (iv) $g\alpha$ -closed [17] if $acl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is α -open in X .
- (v) αg -closed [19] if $acl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in X .
- (vi) gp -closed [20] if $pcl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in X .
- (vii) gsp -closed [10] if $spcl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in X .
- (viii) gpr -closed [12] if $pcl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is regular open in X .
- (ix) rg -closed [25] if $cl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is regular-open in X .
- (x) wg -closed [23] if $cl(int(A)) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in X .
- (xi) rwg -closed [23] if $cl(int(A)) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is regular open in X .
- (xii) g^* -closed [35] if $cl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is g -open in X .
- (xiii) mg -closed [26] if $cl(int(A)) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is g -open in X .
- (xiv) g^*p -closed set [36] if $pcl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is g -open in X .
- (xv) $(gsp)^*$ -closed [28] if $\beta cl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is g -open in X .
- (xvi) αg^*p -closed set [31] if $pcl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is αg -open in X .
- (xvii) gp^* -closed set [14] if $cl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is gp -open in X .
- (xviii) αg^* -closed set [31] if $acl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is αg -open in X .

Definition 2.3[24]: A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is called beta w generalized closed set (briefly βwg -closed) if $\beta cl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is αg -open in X .

Definition 2.4: For a subset A of (X, τ) , the intersection of all βwg -closed sets containing A is called the βwg -closure of A and is denoted by $\beta wg-cl(A)$. That is, $\beta wg-cl(A) = \bigcap \{F : F \text{ is } \beta wg\text{-closed in } X, A \subseteq F\}$.

Definition 2.5: A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be

- (i) precontinuous [21] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is preclosed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- (ii) semi-continuous [15] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is semi-closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- (iii) α -continuous [22] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is α -closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- (iv) regular continuous [5] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is regular closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- (v) semi-precontinuous [3] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is semipre-closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- (vi) g -continuous [6] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is g -closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- (vii) g^* -continuous [35] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is g^* -closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- (viii) αg -continuous [19] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is αg -closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- (ix) $g\alpha$ -continuous [17] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is $g\alpha$ -closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- (x) gs -continuous [9] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is gs -closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- (xi) sg -continuous [33] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is sg -closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- (xii) gp -continuous [4] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is gp -closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- (xiii) gsp -continuous [10] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is gsp -closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- (xiv) gpr -continuous [12] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is gpr -closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- (xv) gp^* -continuous if $f^{-1}(V)$ is gp^* -closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- (xvi) g^*p -continuous [36] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is g^*p -closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- (xvii) αg^* -continuous [29] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is αg^* -closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- (xviii) αg^*p -continuous [29] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is αg^*p -closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- (xix) $(gsp)^*$ -continuous [28] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is $(gsp)^*$ -closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- (xx) rg -continuous [25] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is rg -closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- (xxi) wg -continuous [23] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is wg -closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- (xxii) rwg -continuous [23] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is rwg -closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- (xxiii) mg -continuous [26] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is mg -closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .

Definition 2.6: A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be

- (i) β -irresolute [18] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is β -closed in X for every β -closed subset V of Y .
- (ii) pre-irresolute [30] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is preclosed in X for every preclosed subset V of Y .
- (iii) α -irresolute [34] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is α -closed in X for every α -closed subset V of Y .
- (iv) αg -irresolute [8] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is αg -closed in X for every αg -closed subset V of Y .
- (v) preclosed [11] if $f(V)$ is preclosed in Y for every closed subset V of X .

Definition 2.7[32]: A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called almost continuous if $f^{-1}(V)$ is closed set in (X, τ) for each regular closed set V in (Y, σ) .

III. β wg CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS AND β wg IRRESOLUTE FUNCTIONS

In this section, we introduce β wg-continuous functions and study some of their properties in the following

Definition 3.1: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is called β wg-continuous if $f^{-1}(V)$ is β wg-closed set in X for every closed set V in Y .

Theorem 3.2 (i) Every continuous function is β wg-continuous function and thus every precontinuous function, every α -continuous function and every regular continuous function is β wg-continuous function.

(ii) Every β wg-continuous function is β -continuous function

Proof: Obvious

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

Example 3.3: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a,b\}, \{a,b,c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{d\}, \{c,d\}, \{a,c,d\}, \{b,c,d\}, Y\}$. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be defined $f(a) = c, f(b) = d, f(c) = a, f(d) = b$. Then the function f is β wg -continuous but not continuous. Since, $\{a\}$ is a closed set of $Y, f^{-1}(\{a\}) = \{c\}$ is β wg-closed in X but not closed in X .

Example 3.4: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a,b\}, \{a,b,c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a,b\}, \{b,c\}, \{a,b,c\}, Y\}$. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be defined by $f(a) = a, f(b) = b, f(c) = c$ and $f(d) = d$. Then the function f is β wg-continuous but not pre-continuous. Since, $\{a, d\}$ is a closed set of $Y, f^{-1}(\{a, d\}) = \{a, d\}$ is β wg-closed in X but not pre-closed in X .

Example 3.5: Let $X = Y = \{a,b,c,d\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a,b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a,b\}, \{a,b,c\}, Y\}$. Now β wgC $(X) = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{a,c\}, \{a,d\}, \{b,c\}, \{b,d\}, \{c,d\}, \{a,c,d\}, \{b,c,d\}, X\}$. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function defined by $f(a) = a, f(b) = b, f(c) = c, f(d) = d$. Then the function f is β wg-continuous but not α -continuous. Since, $\{a,c, d\}$ is a closed set of $Y, f^{-1}(\{a,c,d\}) = \{a, c, d\}$ is β wg-closed in X but not α -closed set in X .

Example 3.6: Let $X = Y = \{a,b,c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a,b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a,b\}, Y\}$. Define a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ by $f(a) = a, f(b) = b$ and $f(c) = c$. The function f is β wg-continuous but not regular continuous. Since, $\{a, c\}$ is a closed set of $Y, f^{-1}(\{a, c\}) = \{a, c\}$ is β wg-closed in X but not regular-closed set in X .

Example 3.7: Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\} = Y, \tau = \{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{c, d\}, Y\}$ be topologies on X . Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function defined by $f(a) = a, f(b) = b, f(c) = c, f(d) = d$. The function f is β -continuous but not β wg-continuous. Since, $\{a, c\}$ is closed set in $Y, f^{-1}(\{a, c\}) = \{a, c\}$ is not β wg-closed but it is β -closed in X .

Remark 3.8: β wg-continuity is independent of semi-continuity as seen from the following example.

Example 3.9: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$ with topologies, $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a,b\}, \{a,c\}, \{a,b,c\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{Y, \emptyset, \{c\}, \{b,c\}, \{a,c,d\}\}$. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function defined by $f(a) = c, f(b) = b, f(c) = d, f(d) = a$. Then the function f is

semi-continuous and β -continuous but not β wg-continuous, since $f^{-1}(\{b\}) = \{b\}$ is both semi-closed and β -closed but not β wg-closed in X .

Example 3.10: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$ with topologies, $\tau = \{X, \varphi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{Y, \varphi, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, c, d\}\}$. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function defined by $f(a) = c, f(b) = a, f(c) = b$ and $f(d) = d$. Then the function f is β wg-continuous but not semi-continuous and β -continuous, since $f^{-1}(\{b\}) = \{c\}$ is not semi-closed and semi-preclosed but it is β wg-closed in X .

Theorem 3.11: If a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous, then the following holds.

- (i) If f is β wg-continuous, then f is g^*p -continuous,
- (ii) If f is β wg-continuous, then f is gs -continuous (resp. gp -continuous, gsp -continuous, gpr -continuous, ag -continuous).
- (iii) If f is β wg-continuous, then f is mg -continuous and thus rg -continuous, g -continuous, wg -continuous, rwg -continuous.

Proof: (i) Let V be a closed set in Y . Since f is β wg-continuous, then $f^{-1}(V)$ is β wg-closed in X . Since every β wg-closed set is

g^*p -closed then $f^{-1}(V)$ is g^*p -closed in X . Hence f is g^*p -continuous.

Similarly we can prove (ii).

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

Example 3.12: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\varphi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\varphi, \{c\}, Y\}$. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be an Identity function, defined by $f(a) = a, f(b) = b, f(c) = c, f(d) = d$. Then the function f is gpr -continuous but not β wg-continuous. Since, $\{a, b\}$ is a closed set of Y , $f^{-1}(\{a, b\}) = \{a, b\}$ is not β wg-closed in X but it is gpr -closed set in X .

Example 3.13: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\varphi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\varphi, \{c\}, \{a, b, d\}, Y\}$. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function defined by $f(a) = b, f(b) = a, f(c) = c$ and $f(d) = d$. Then the function f is g^*p -continuous but not β wg-continuous. Since, $\{a, b, d\}$ is a closed set of Y , $f^{-1}(\{a, b, d\}) = \{a, b, d\}$ is not β wg-closed in X but it is g^*p -closed set in X .

Example 3.14: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\varphi, \{a\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{Y, \varphi, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$. Now $GpC(X) = \{X, \varphi, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\} = GsC(X) = GspC(X) = \alpha GC(X) = GC(X)$ and β wgC(X) = $\{\varphi, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$. Define a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ by $f(a) = a, f(b) = c$ and $f(c) = b$. The f is gp -continuous (resp. gsp -continuous, gs -continuous, ag -continuous, g -continuous) function but not β wg-continuous. Since, $\{a, b\}$ is a closed set of Y , $f^{-1}(\{a, b\}) = \{a, c\}$ is not β wg-closed in X .

Example 3.15: Let $X = \{a, b, c\} = Y$, $\tau = \{\varphi, \{a\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{Y, \varphi, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$.

Now $rgC(X) = P(X)$ and β wg C(X) = $\{X, \varphi, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}\}$. Define a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ by $f(a) = c, f(b) = b$ and $f(c) = a$. Then f is rg -continuous function but not β wg-continuous. Since, for the closed set $\{a, c\}$ in Y , $f^{-1}(\{a, c\}) = \{a, c\}$ is not β wg-closed but it is rg -closed in X .

Example 3.16: Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\} = Y$, $\tau = \{\varphi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{Y, \varphi, \{c\}, \{a, c, d\}\}$. Define a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ by $f(a) = d, f(b) = a, f(c) = c$ and $f(d) = b$. Then f is mg -continuous function but not β wg-

continuous. Since, for the closed set $\{a,b,d\}$ in Y , $f^{-1}(\{a, b, d\}) = \{a, b, d\}$ is not β wg-closed but it is mg-closed in X .

Example 3.17: Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\} = Y$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a,b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{Y, \emptyset, \{c\}, \{a,b\}, \{a,b,c\}$. Define a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ by $f(a) = b$, $f(b) = a$, $f(c) = c$ and $f(d) = d$. Then the function f is wg-continuous but not β wg-continuous. Since, for the closed set $\{a,b,d\}$ in Y , $f^{-1}(\{a,b,d\}) = \{a, b, d\}$ is mg-closed but not β wg-closed X .

Example 3.18: Let $X = \{a,b,c,d\} = Y$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{b\}, \{d\}, \{a,b\}, \{a,d\}, \{b,d\}, \{a,b,d\}, \{a,b\}, X\}$ and

$\sigma = \{Y, \emptyset, \{c\}, \{b,c\}, \{c,d\}, \{a,c,d\}, \{b,c,d\}\}$. Define a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ by $f(a) = b$, $f(b) = a$, $f(c) = c$ and $f(d) = d$. Then the function f is rwg-continuous but not β wg-continuous. Since, for the closed set $\{a, b, d\}$ in Y , $f^{-1}(\{a, b, d\}) = \{a, b, d\}$ is rwg-closed but not β wg-closed X .

Theorem 3.19: Every $(gsp)^*$ -continuous function is β wg-continuous function and thus every αg^* p-continuous function is β wg-continuous function.

(ii) Every gp^* -continuous function and every αg^* -continuous function is β wg-continuous.

The converse of the above theorem need not be true as shown in the following example.

Example 3.20: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ with topologies $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{Y, \emptyset, \{a, b\}\}$. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function defined by $f(a) = a$, $f(b) = b$ and $f(c) = c$. Then the function f is β wg-continuous but not $(gsp)^*$ -continuous. Since, for the closed set $\{c\}$ in Y , $f^{-1}(\{c\}) = \{c\}$ is β wg-closed but not $(gsp)^*$ -closed in X .

Example 3.21: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$ be given the topologies $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a, b\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{Y, \emptyset, \{a, c\}, \{a, c, d\}\}$. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function defined by $f(a) = a$, $f(b) = b$, $f(c) = c$ and $f(d) = d$. Then the function f is β wg-continuous but not αg^* p-continuous. Since, the set $\{b, d\}$ is closed in Y , $f^{-1}(\{b, d\}) = \{b, d\}$ is β wg-closed set but not αg^* p-closed set in X .

Example 3.22: Let $X = \{a, b, c\} = Y$, $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a, b\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{Y, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$.

Now $gp^*C(X) = \{X, \{c\}\}$ and $\beta wgC(X) = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$. Define a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be an Identity function. Then f is gp^* -continuous function but not β wg-continuous. Since, for the closed set $\{b, c\}$ in Y , $f^{-1}(\{b, c\}) = \{b, c\}$ is β wg-closed but not gp^* -closed in X .

Example 3.23: Let $X = \{a, b, c\} = Y$, $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a,b\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{Y, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{a,b\}\}$. Define a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ by $f(a) = a$, $f(b) = c$, $f(c) = b$. Then f is β wg-continuous function but not αg^* -continuous. Since, for the closed set $\{c\}$ in Y , $f^{-1}(\{c\}) = \{b\}$ is β wg-closed set but not αg^* -closed set in X .

Remark 3.24: The following examples shows that β wg-continuous functions are independent of g -continuous, g^* -continuous, gs -continuous, sg -continuous and αg -continuous.

Example 3.25: Let $X = \{a, b, c\} = Y$ with topologies $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{Y, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, c\}\}$.

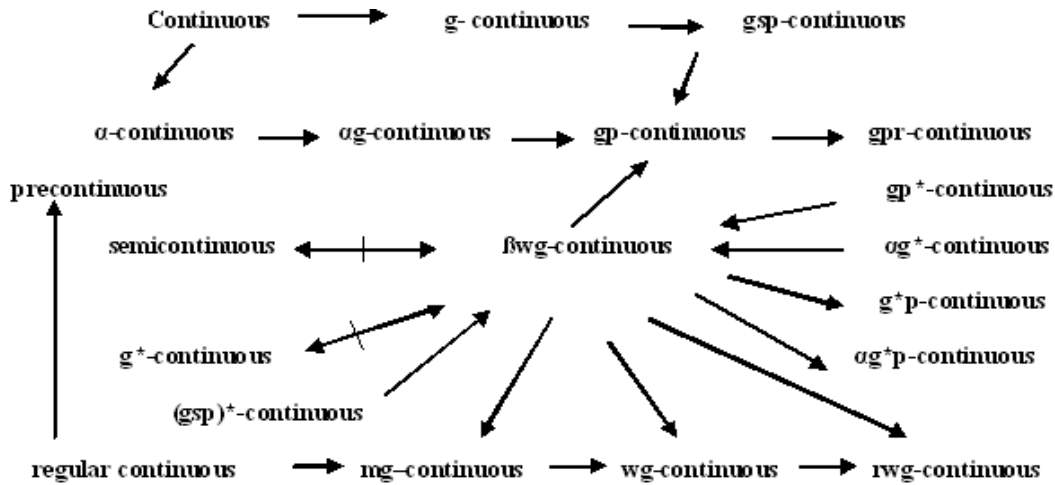
Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be an Identity function. Then the function f is β wg-continuous but not g , g^* , sg , gs and αg -continuous. Since, for $\{b\}$ is closed set in Y , $f^{-1}(\{b\}) = \{b\}$ is β wg-closed but not g -closed, g -closed, g^* -closed, gs -closed, sg -closed, αg -closed sets in X .

Example 3.26: Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\} = Y$, with topologies $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, Y\}$. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be defined by $f(a) = b$, $f(b) = a$, $f(c) = c$, $f(d) = d$. Then the function f is g , g^* , sg , gs , αg -continuous, but not β wg-continuous, since $f^{-1}(\{a,b,d\}) = \{a,b,d\}$ is not β wg-closed.

Remark 3.27: From the above discussions and known results we have the following implications.

$A \dashrightarrow B$ means A implies B but not conversely.

$A \longleftrightarrow B$ means A and B are independent.



Diagram

IV. CHARACTERISTICS OF β wg-CONTINUITY

Theorem 4.1: Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a map. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i) f is β wg-continuous.
- (ii) The inverse image of each open set in Y is β wg-open in X .
- (iii) $f(\beta\text{wg-cl}(A)) \subseteq \text{cl}(f(A))$ for each subset A of X .
- (iv) For each subset B of Y , $\beta\text{wg-cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{cl}(B))$

Proof: (i) \Rightarrow (ii): Let U be an open set in Y . Then $Y \setminus U$ is closed in Y . By hypothesis, $f^{-1}(Y \setminus U) = X \setminus f^{-1}(U)$ is β wg-closed in X . Hence $f^{-1}(U)$ is β wg-open in X .

(ii) \Rightarrow (i): Let U be a closed set in Y . Then $Y \setminus U$ is open in Y . By hypothesis, $f^{-1}(Y \setminus U) = X \setminus f^{-1}(U)$ is β wg-open in X . Therefore $f^{-1}(U)$ is β wg-closed in X . Hence f is β wg-continuous.

(i) \Rightarrow (iii): Let G be a subset of X . Since $G \subseteq f^{-1}(f(G))$ and $f(G) \subseteq \text{cl}(f(G))$, we have $G \subseteq f^{-1}(f(G)) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(G)))$. Therefore by assumption $f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(G)))$ is β wg-closed set of X . Hence $\beta\text{wg-cl}(G) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(G)))$. Thus $f(\beta\text{wg-cl}(G)) \subseteq f(f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(G)))) \subseteq \text{cl}(f(G))$.

(iii) \Rightarrow (iv): Let B be a subset of Y and $f(G) = B$. So by assumption, $f(\beta\text{wg-cl}(G)) = f(\beta\text{wg-cl}(f^{-1}(B)))$. Therefore $\beta\text{wg-cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(f(\beta\text{wg-cl}(f^{-1}(B)))) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{cl}(B))$.

(iv) \Rightarrow (i): Let B be a closed set in Y . Then by assumption, $\beta\text{wg-cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{cl}(B)) = f^{-1}(B)$. Therefore $f^{-1}(B)$ is β wg-closed set in X . Hence f is β wg-continuous.

Theorem 4.2: Let A be a subset of a topological space X . Then $x \in \beta\text{wg-cl}(A)$ if and only if for any β wg-open set U containing x , $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$.

Proof: Let $x \in \beta\text{wg-cl}(A)$ and suppose that there is a βwg -open set U in X such that $x \in U$ and $A \cap U = \emptyset$ implies that $A \subseteq X \setminus U$ which is βwg -closed in X implies $\beta\text{wg-cl}(A) \subseteq \beta\text{wg-cl}(X \setminus U) = X \setminus U$. Since $x \in U$ implies that $x \notin X \setminus U$ implies that

$x \notin \beta\text{wg-cl}(A)$, this is a contradiction. Conversely, suppose that, for any βwg -open set U containing x , $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$. To prove that $x \in \beta\text{wg-cl}(A)$. Suppose that $x \notin \beta\text{wg-cl}(A)$ then there is a βwg -closed set F in X such that $x \notin F$ and $A \subseteq F$. Since $x \notin F$ implies that $x \in X \setminus F$ which is βwg -open in X . Since $A \subseteq F$ implies that $A \cap (X \setminus F) = \emptyset$, this is a contradiction. Thus $x \in \beta\text{wg-cl}(A)$.

Theorem 4.3: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function from a topological space X into a topological space Y . If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is βwg -continuous then $f(\beta\text{wg-cl}(A)) \subseteq \text{cl}(f(A))$ for every subset A of X .

Proof: Since $f(A) \subseteq \text{cl}(f(A))$ then $A \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(A)))$. Since $\text{cl}(f(A))$ is a closed set in Y and f is βwg -continuous then by definition $f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(A)))$ is a βwg -closed set in X containing A . Hence $\beta\text{wg-cl}(A) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(A)))$. Therefore $f(\beta\text{wg-cl}(A)) \subseteq \text{cl}(f(A))$.

The converse of the above theorem need not be true as shown in the following example

Example 4.4: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ with $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, Y\}$.

Define a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ by, $f(a) = a$, $f(b) = b$ and $f(c) = c$. For every subset A of X , $f(\beta\text{wg-cl}(A)) \subseteq \text{cl}(f(A))$ holds. But f is not βwg -continuous, since $\{c\}$ is closed set in Y , $f^{-1}(\{c\}) = \{c\}$ which is not βwg -closed set in X .

Theorem 4.5: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. Then the following statements are equivalent:

(i) For each $x \in X$ and each open set V containing $f(x)$ there exists a βwg -open set U containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$.

(ii) $f(\beta\text{wg-cl}(A)) \subset \text{cl}(f(A))$ for every subset A of X .

Proof: (i) \Rightarrow (ii): Let $y \in f(\beta\text{wg-cl}(A))$ then there exists an $x \in \beta\text{wg-cl}(A)$ such that $y = f(x)$. Let V be any open neighbourhood of y . Since $x \in \beta\text{wg-cl}(A)$, there exists a βwg -open set U such that $x \in U$ and $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$, $f(U) \subset V$. Since $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$, $f(U) \cap V \neq \emptyset$. Therefore $y = f(x) \in \text{cl}(f(A))$. Hence $f(\beta\text{wg-cl}(A)) \subset \text{cl}(f(A))$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i): Let $x \in X$ and V be any open set containing $f(x)$. Let $A = f^{-1}(Y \setminus V)$. Since $f(\beta\text{wg-cl}(A)) \subset \text{cl}(f(A)) \subset Y \setminus V$ then $(\beta\text{wg-cl}(A)) \subset f^{-1}(Y \setminus V) = A$. Hence $\beta\text{wg-cl}(A) = A$. Since $f(x) \in V \Rightarrow x \in f^{-1}(V) \Rightarrow x \notin A \Rightarrow x \notin \beta\text{wg-cl}(A)$. Thus there exists an open set U containing x such that $U \cap A = \emptyset$. Therefore $f(U) \subset V$.

Definition 4.6: Let be a topological spaces. Then

- (i) a space (X, τ) is called $\beta\text{wg-T}_b$ -space if every βwg -closed is closed.
- (ii) a space (X, τ) is called $\beta\text{wg-T}_d$ -space if every βwg -closed is g -closed.
- (iii) a space (X, τ) is called $\beta\text{wg-T}_{1/2}$ space if every αg^*p -closed is preclosed.
- (iv) a space (X, τ) is called $\beta\text{wg-T}_\alpha$ -space if every βwg -closed set is α -closed set.

Theorem 4.7: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be any two spaces such that $\tau_{\beta\text{wg}}$ is a topology on X . Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) For every subset A of X , $f(\beta\text{wg-cl}(A)) \subseteq \text{cl}(f(A))$ holds.
- (ii) $f: (X, \tau_{\beta\text{wg}}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is continuous.

Proof: Suppose (i) holds. Let A be closed in Y . By hypothesis $f(\beta\text{wg-cl}(f^{-1}(A))) \subseteq \text{cl}(f(f^{-1}(A))) \subseteq (A) = A$.

Also $f^{-1}(A) \subseteq \beta\text{wg-cl}(f^{-1}(A))$. Hence $\beta\text{wg-cl}(f^{-1}(A)) = f^{-1}(A)$. This implies $f^{-1}(A) \in \tau_{\beta\text{wg}}$. Thus $f^{-1}(A)$ is closed in $(X, \tau_{\beta\text{wg}})$ and so f is continuous. This proves (ii).

Suppose (ii) holds. For every subset A of X , $\text{cl}(f(A))$ is closed in Y . Since $f: (X, \tau_{\beta\text{wg}}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is continuous, $f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(A)))$ is closed in $(X, \tau_{\beta\text{wg}})$. By definition, $\beta\text{wg-cl}(f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(A)))) = f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(A)))$.

Now we have, $A \subseteq f^{-1}(f(A)) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(A)))$ and by βwg -closure, $\beta\text{wg-cl}(A) \subseteq \beta\text{wg-cl}(f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(A)))) = f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(A)))$. Therefore $f(\beta\text{wg-cl}(A)) \subseteq \text{cl}(f(A))$. This proves (i).

Remark 4.8: The Composition of two βwg -continuous functions need not be βwg -continuous function and but the following is valid.

Example 4.9: Let $X = Y = \{a,b,c,d\} = Z$, with topologies $\tau = \{ X, \varphi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a,b\}, \{a,b,c\} \}$, $\sigma = \{ Y, \varphi, \{b,c\}, \{a,b,c\}, Y \}$ and $\eta = \{ Z, \varphi, \{a\} \}$. Define $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ by $g(a) = b, g(b) = c, g(c) = a, g(d) = d$ and define $f: X \rightarrow Y$ by $f(a) = b, f(b) = d, f(c) = c, f(d) = a$. Then both f and g are βwg -continuous functions. But $g \circ f$ is not βwg -continuous function, since

$$(g \circ f)^{-1}(\{b, c, d\}) = f^{-1}[g^{-1}(\{b,c,d\})] = f^{-1}(\{a, b, d\}) = \{a, b, c\} \text{ is not a } \beta\text{wg-closed set in } X.$$

Theorem 4.10: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is βwg -continuous function and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ is continuous function then $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$ is βwg -continuous.

Proof: Obvious.

Easy proofs of the following Theorems are omitted.

Theorem 4.11: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is βwg - continuous function and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ is βwg - continuous function and Y is $\beta\text{wg-T}_b$ space then $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$ is βwg -continuous.

Theorem 4.12: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is βwg -continuous function and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ is αg -continuous function and Y is ${}_aT_b$ space then $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$ is βwg -continuous.

Theorem 4.13: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is βwg -continuous function and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ is α -continuous function and Y is α - space then $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$ is βwg -continuous function.

Definition 4.14: A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called a βwg -irresolute if $f^{-1}(V)$ is βwg -closed set in (X, τ) for every βwg -closed set V in (Y, σ) .

Definition 4.15: A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called β wg-closed if $f(V)$ is β wg-closed set in (Y, σ) for every closed set V in (X, τ) .

Definition 4.16: A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called β wg-open if $f(V)$ is β wg-open set in (Y, σ) for every open set V in (X, τ) .

Theorem 4.17: (i) Every α -irresolute function is β wg-continuous.

(ii) Every β wg-irresolute function is β wg-continuous.

(iii) Every β -irresolute function is β wg-irresolute.

Proof: Obvious

The converse of the above theorem (ii) need not be true it can be seen from the following example.

Example 4.18: Let $X=Y = \{a,b,c,d\}$, $\tau = \{X, \varphi, \{a\}, \{a,b\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{Y, \varphi, \{a,b\}\}$. Define a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ by $f(a) = b$, $f(b) = a$, $f(c) = d$ and $f(d) = c$. Then f is β wg-continuous but not β wg-irresolute, since for the closed set $\{b,c,d\}$ in Y , $f^{-1}(\{b,c,d\}) = \{a,c,d\}$ is not a β wg-closed set in X .

Theorem 4.19: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is β wg-irresolute function and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ is β wg-irresolute function then $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$ is β wg-irresolute.

Proof: Let g be β wg-irresolute function and V be any β wg-open set in Z then $g^{-1}(V)$ is β wg-open in Y . Since f is β wg-irresolute, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$ is β wg-open in X . Hence $g \circ f$ is β wg-irresolute.

Theorem 4.20: If a map $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is β wg-irresolute, if and only if the inverse image $f^{-1}(V)$ is β wg-open set in X for every β wg-open set V in Y .

Proof: Obvious.

Theorem 4.21: If a function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is β wg-irresolute, then for every subset A of X , $f(\beta$ wg-cl(A)) \subseteq $\text{acl}(f(A))$.

Proof: If $A \subseteq X$ then consider $\text{acl}(f(A))$ which is β wg-closed in Y . Since f is β wg-irresolute, $f^{-1}(\text{acl}(f(A)))$ is β wg-closed in X . Furthermore $A \subseteq f^{-1}(f(A)) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{acl}(f(A)))$. Therefore by β wg-closure, β wg-cl(A) $\subseteq f^{-1}(\text{acl}(f(A)))$, consequently,
 $f(\beta$ wg-cl(A)) $\subseteq f(f^{-1}(\text{acl}(f(A)))) \subseteq \text{acl}(f(A))$.

Theorem 4.22: Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ and $g: (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ be any two functions. Then

- (i) $g \circ f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is β wg-continuous if g is regular-continuous and f is β wg-irresolute.
- (ii) $g \circ f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is β wg-irresolute if g is β wg-irresolute and f is β wg-irresolute.
- (iii) $g \circ f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is β wg-continuous if g is β wg-continuous and f is β wg-irresolute.

Proof: (i) Let U be an open set in (Z, η) . Since g is regular-continuous, $g^{-1}(U)$ is regular-open set in (Y, σ) . Since every regular-open is β wg-open then $g^{-1}(U)$ is β wg-open in Y . Since f is β wg-irresolute then $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U))$ is a β wg-open set in (X, τ) . Thus $(g \circ f)^{-1}(U) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U))$ is a β wg-open set in (X, τ) and hence $g \circ f$ is β wg-continuous.

Similarly we can prove (ii) and (iii).

Theorem 4.23: Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ and $g: (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ be any two functions. Then $g \circ f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is β wg-continuous

- (i) if g is α -continuous and f is β wg-irresolute.
- (ii) if g is gp^* -continuous and f is β wg-irresolute.
- (iii) if g is $(gsp)^*$ -continuous and f is β wg-irresolute.
- (iv) if g is αg^*p -continuous and f is β wg-irresolute.

Proof: Obvious.

Theorem 4.24: Let (X, τ) be topological space. Then

- (i) Every β wg- T_b space is β wg- $T_{1/2}$ space
- (ii) Every β wg- T_b space is β wg- T_d -space.

Proof: It follows from the definitions and the fact that every closed set is g -closed.

Theorem 4.25: Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function then,

- (i) If f is β wg-irresolute and X is β wg- $T_{1/2}$ space, then f is pre-irresolute.
- (ii) If f is β wg-continuous and X is β wg- $T_{1/2}$ space, then f is pre-continuous.
- (iii) If f is β wg-irresolute and X is β wg- T_α -space, then f is α -irresolute.

Proof: (i) Let V be pre-closed in Y , then V is β wg-closed in Y . Since f is β wg-irresolute, $f^{-1}(V)$ is β wg-closed in X . Since X is β wg- $T_{1/2}$ space, $f^{-1}(V)$ is pre-closed in X . Hence f is pre-irresolute.

(ii) Let V be closed in Y . Since f is β wg-continuous, $f^{-1}(V)$ is β wg-closed in X . Since X is β wg- $T_{1/2}$ space, $f^{-1}(V)$ is pre-closed. Therefore f is pre-continuous.

(iii) Let V be α -closed in Y , then V is β wg-closed in Y . Since f is β wg-irresolute, $f^{-1}(V)$ is β wg-closed in X . Since X is β wg- T_α -space, $f^{-1}(V)$ is α -closed in X . Hence f is α -irresolute.

Theorem 4.26: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a bijection. Then the following are equivalent:

- (i) f is β wg-open,
- (ii) f is β wg-closed,
- (iii) f^{-1} is β wg-irresolute.

Proof: Suppose f is β wg-open. Let F be β wg-closed in X . Then $X \setminus F$ is β wg-open. By definition, $f(X \setminus F)$ is β wg-open. Since f is bijection, $Y \setminus f(F)$ is β wg-open in Y . Therefore f is β wg-closed. This proves (i) \Rightarrow (ii).

Let $g = f^{-1}$. Suppose f is β wg-closed. Let V be β wg-open in X . Then $X \setminus V$ is β wg-closed in X . Since f is β wg-closed, $f(X \setminus V)$ is β wg-closed. Since f is a bijection, $Y \setminus f(V)$ is β wg-closed that implies $f(V)$ is β wg-open in Y . Thus $g^{-1}(V)$ is β wg-open in Y . Therefore f^{-1} is β wg-irresolute. This proves (ii) \Rightarrow (iii).

Let V be β wg-open in X . Then $X \setminus V$ is β wg-closed in X . Since f^{-1} is β wg-irresolute and $(f^{-1})^{-1}(X \setminus V) = f(X \setminus V) = Y \setminus f(V)$ is β wg-closed in Y that implies $f(V)$ is β wg-open in Y . Therefore f is β wg-open. This proves (iii) \Rightarrow (i).

Theorem 4.27: Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a bijective, αg -irresolute and β -closed function. Then $f(A)$ is βwg -closed in Y for every βwg -closed set A of X .

Proof: Let A be βwg -closed in (X, τ) . Let V be αg -open set of (Y, σ) containing $f(A)$. Since f is αg -irresolute, $f^{-1}(V)$ is αg -open in X . Since $A \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$ and A is βwg -closed, $\beta cl(A) \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$. Since f is bijective and β -closed function, $f(\beta cl(A)) = cl(f(\beta cl(A)))$. Now $\beta cl(f(A)) \subseteq \beta cl(f(\beta cl(A))) = f(\beta cl(A)) \subseteq V$. Hence $f(A)$ is βwg -closed set in Y .

V. ON ALMOST βwg -CONTINUOUS FUNCTION

We define and obtain some their properties the following

Definition 5.1: A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called almost βwg -continuous if $f^{-1}(V)$ is βwg -closed set in (X, τ) for each regular closed set V in (Y, σ) .

Theorem 5.2: Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is βwg -continuous function. Then it is almost βwg -continuous.

Proof: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a βwg -continuous function. Let V be a regular closed set in Y . Since f is continuous, $f^{-1}(V)$ is closed in X . Since every regular closed set is a closed set and hence $f^{-1}(V)$ is βwg -closed in X . Therefore f is almost βwg -continuous function.

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

Example 5.3: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, Y\}$. Now $RC(X, \tau) = \{Y, \emptyset\}$ and $\beta wg C(X, \tau) = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$. Define function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be defined by $f(a) = c$, $f(b) = a$, $f(c) = b$. Then the function f is almost βwg -continuous but not βwg -continuous. Since, $\{c\}$ is a closed set of Y , $f^{-1}(\{c\}) = \{a\}$ is not βwg -closed in X .

Theorem 5.4: If X is a ${}_{\beta wg}T_b$ space and the function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is almost βwg -continuous then f is almost continuous.

Proof: Obvious.

VI. CONCLUSIONS

In this article we have focused on βwg -closed sets, βwg -continuity and its characteristics and βwg -irresolute functions in topological spaces. Further with help these functions almost βwg -continuous functions were studied.

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