

$(g^*p)^*$ -Closed Sets In Topological Spaces

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Abstract: In this paper, we have introduced a new class of sets called $(g^*p)^*$ -closed sets which is properly placed in between the class of closed sets and the class of g -closed sets. As an application, we introduce two new spaces namely, ${}_gT_p$ and ${}_gT_p^*$ spaces. We have also introduced $(g^*p)^*$ -continuous and $(g^*p)^*$ -irresolute maps and their properties are investigated.

Keywords: $(g^*p)^*$ -closed sets, $(g^*p)^*$ -continuous maps, $(g^*p)^*$ -irresolute maps and ${}_gT_p$ and ${}_gT_p^*$ spaces

1 INTRODUCTION

Levine [9] introduced the class of g -closed sets in 1970. Maki et al [11] defined αg -closed sets and $g\alpha$ -closed sets in 1994. Arya and Tour [3] defined gs -closed sets in 1990. Dontchev [7], Gnanambal [8] and Palaniappan and Roa [16] introduced gsp -closed sets gpr -closed sets and rg -closed sets respectively. Veerakumar [17] introduced and studied the concepts of g^* -preclosed sets and g^* -precontinuity in topological spaces in 1991.

The purpose of the paper is to introduce the concept of $(g^*p)^*$ -closed sets, ${}_gT_p$ spaces and ${}_gT_p^*$ spaces. Further we have introduced $(g^*p)^*$ -continuous and $(g^*p)^*$ -irresolute maps.

2. PRELIMINARIES

Throughout this paper (X, τ) and (Y, σ) represents non-empty topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed unless otherwise mentioned. For a subset A of a (X, τ) space, $cl(A)$ and $int(A)$ denote the closure and the interior of A respectively.

The class of all closed subsets of a space of a space (X, τ) is denoted by $C(X, \tau)$.

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

- (1) *pre – open* [13] if $A \subseteq int(cl(A))$ and a *pre – closed* set if $cl(int(A)) \subseteq A$.
- (2) *semi – open* [10] if $A \subseteq cl(int(A))$ and a *semi – closed* if $int(cl(A)) \subseteq A$.

(3) *semi – preopen* [1] if $A \subseteq cl(\text{int}(cl(A)))$ and a *semi – preclosed* if $\text{int}(cl(\text{int}(A))) \subseteq A$.

(4) α – *open* [14] if $A \subseteq \text{int}(cl(\text{int}(A)))$ and α – *closed* if $cl(\text{int}(cl(A))) \subseteq A$.

(5) *regular – open* [18] if $A = \text{int}(cl(A))$

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

(1) *generalizad closed* (briefly *g – closed*) [9] if $cl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in (X, τ) .

(2) *regulargeneralizad closed* (briefly *rg-closed*) [15] if $cl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is regular open in (X, τ) .

(3) *generalizad semi – closed* (briefly *gs – closed*) [3] if $scl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in (X, τ) .

(4) α – *generalizad closed* (briefly αg – *closed*) [11] if $\alpha cl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in (X, τ) .

(5) *wg – closed* [17] if $cl(\text{int}(A)) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in (X, τ) .

(6) *generalizad preregular closed* (briefly *gpr-closed*) [8] if $pcl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is regular open in (X, τ) .

(7) *generalizad semi– preclosed* (briefly *gsp – closed*) [7] if $spcl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in (X, τ) .

(8) *generalizad preclosed* (briefly *gp – closed*) [12] if $pcl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in (X, τ) .

(9) g^* – *preclosed* (briefly $g^* p$ – *closed*) [16] if $pcl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is g – open in (X, τ)

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

(1) g – *continuous* [4] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is a g – closed set of (X, τ) for every closed set V of (Y, σ) .

(2) αg – continuous [8] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is an αg – closed set of (X, τ) for every closed set V of (Y, σ)

(3) gs – continuous [6] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is a gs – closed set of (X, τ) for every closed set V of (Y, σ) .

(4) rg – continuous [15] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is a rg – closed set of (X, τ) for every closed set V of (Y, σ)

(5) gp – continuous [2] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is a gp – closed set of (X, τ) for every closed set V of (Y, σ)

(6) wg – continuous [17] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is a wg – closed set of (X, τ) for every closed set V of (Y, σ) .

(7) gsp – continuous [7] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is a gsp – closed set of (X, τ) for every closed set V of (Y, σ) .

(8) gpr – continuous [8] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is a gpr – closed set of (X, τ) for every closed set V of (Y, σ) .

Definition: 2.4: A topological space (X, τ) is said to be

(1) a $T_{1/2}$ space [9] if every g – closed set in it is closed.

(2) a T_b space [5] if every gs – closed set in it is closed

(3) a ${}_aT_b$ space [4] if every αg – closed set in it is closed.

3. BASIC PROPERTIES OF $(g^*p)^*$ -CLOSED SETS

We now introduce the following definition.

Definition 3.1: A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is called a $(g^*p)^*$ -closed set, if $cl(A) \subseteq U$.

whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is g^*p – open .

Proposition 3.2: Every closed set is $(g^*p)^*$ -closed.

Proof follows from the definitions.

Proposition 3.3: Every $(g^*p)^*$ -closed set is (1) g -closed (2) αg -closed (3) gs -closed (4) gp -closed (5) wg -closed (6) gsp -closed (7) rg -closed and (8) gpr -closed but not conversely.

Proof: Let A be a $(g^*p)^*$ -closed set. Let $A \subseteq U$ and U be open .Then U is g^*p –open.

Since A is $(g^*p)^*$ -closed,

(1) $cl \subseteq U$ and hence A is g –closed.

- (2) $\alpha cl(A) \subseteq cl(A) \subseteq U$ and hence A is αg -closed.
- (3) $scl(A) \subseteq cl(A) \subseteq U$ and hence A is gs -closed.
- (4) $pcl(A) \subseteq cl(A) \subseteq U$ and hence A is gp -closed.
- (5) $cl \subseteq U$ and which implies $cl(\text{int}(A) \subseteq cl(A) \subseteq U)$ hence A is wg -closed.
- (6) $cl(A) \subseteq U$ and hence $spcl(A) \subseteq U$ therefore A is gsp -closed.

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- (7) $cl(A) \subseteq U$ and hence A is rg -closed.
- (8) $pcl(A) \subseteq cl(A) \subseteq U$ and hence A is gpr -closed.

Example 3.4: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}\}$ and let $A = \{a, b\}$. Then A is g -closed, αg -closed, gs -closed, rg -closed, gp -closed, wg -closed, gsp -closed, gpr -closed but it is not $(g^*p)^*$ -closed.

Proposition 3.5: If A and B are $(g^*p)^*$ -closed sets, then $A \cup B$ is also a $(g^*p)^*$ -closed set.

Proof follows from the fact that $cl(A \cup B) = cl(A) \cup cl(B)$.

Proposition 3.6: If A is both g^*p -open and $(g^*p)^*$ -closed, then A is closed.

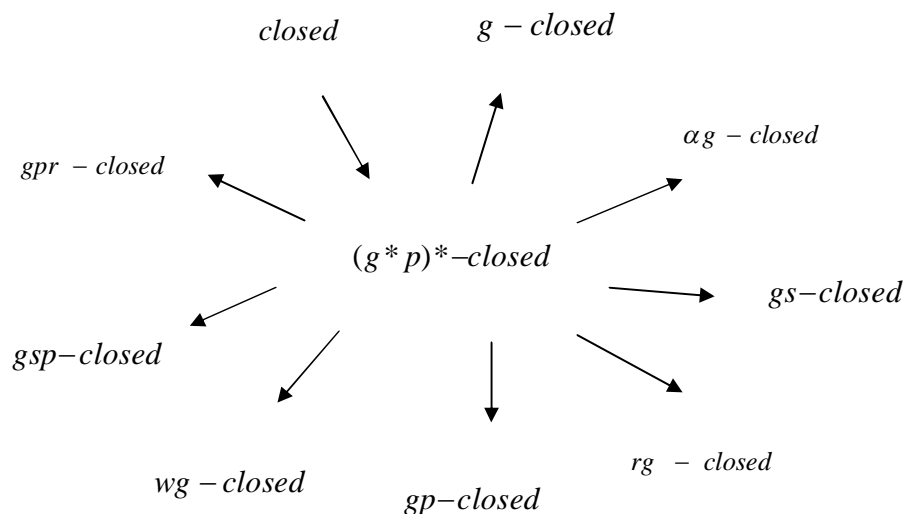
Proof follows from the definition of $(g^*p)^*$ -closed sets.

Proposition 3.7: If A is $(g^*p)^*$ closed set of (X, τ) , such that $A \subseteq B \subseteq cl(A)$, then B is also a $(g^*p)^*$ -closed set of (X, τ) .

Proof: Let U be a g^*p -open set of (X, τ) , such that $B \subseteq U$. Then $A \subseteq U$ where U is g^*p -open.

Since A is $(g^*p)^*$ -closed, $cl(A) \subseteq U$. Then $cl(B) \subseteq U$. Hence B is $(g^*p)^*$ -closed.

The above results can be represented in the following figure.



Where $A \longrightarrow B$ represents A implies B and B need not imply A

4. $(g^*p)^*$ -CONTINUOUS MAPS AND $(g^*p)^*$ -IRRESOLUTE MAPS

We introduce the following definitions.

Definition: 4.1: A map $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called $(g^*p)^*$ - continuous if the inverse image of every closed set in (Y, σ) is $(g^*p)^*$ - closed in (X, τ) .

Definition: 4.2: A map $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be a $(g^*p)^*$ - irresolute map if $f^{-1}(V)$ is a $(g^*p)^*$ - closed set in (X, τ) for every $(g^*p)^*$ - closed set V of (Y, σ) .

Theorem 4.3: Every continuous map is $(g^*p)^*$ - continuous.

Proof: Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a continuous map and let F be a closed set in (Y, σ) . Then $f^{-1}(F)$ is closed in (X, τ) . Since every closed set is $(g^*p)^*$ - closed, $f^{-1}(F)$ is $(g^*p)^*$ - closed. Then f is $(g^*p)^*$ - continuous.

Theorem 4.4: Every $(g^*p)^*$ -continuous map is g - continuous, αg -continuous, gs -continuous, rg -continuous, gp -continuous, wg -continuous, gsp -continuous and gpr -continuous but not conversely.

Proof: Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a $(g^*p)^*$ - continuous map. Let V be a closed set in (Y, σ) . Since f is $(g^*p)^*$ - continuous, $f^{-1}(V)$ is $(g^*p)^*$ closed in (X, τ) . Then $f^{-1}(V)$ is g -closed, αg -closed, gs -closed, rg -closed, gp -closed, wg -closed, gsp -closed and gpr -closed set of (X, τ) .

Example 4.5: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}, \tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}\}, \sigma = \{\phi, Y, \{c\}\}$. $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be the identity map. Then $f^{-1}(\{a, b\}) = \{a, b\}$ is not $(g^*p)^*$ -closed in (X, τ) . But $\{a, b\}$ is g -closed set, αg -closed set, gs -closed set. Then f is g -continuous, αg -continuous, gs -continuous but not $(g^*p)^*$ -continuous.

Example 4.6: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}, \tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}\}, \sigma = \{\phi, Y, \{c\}\}$. $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is defined by $f(a) = b, f(b) = c, f(c) = a$. Then $f^{-1}(\{a, b\}) = \{a, c\}$ is not $(g^*p)^*$ -closed in (X, τ) . But $\{a, c\}$ is rg -closed. Hence f is rg -continuous but not $(g^*p)^*$ -continuous.

Example 4.7: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}, \tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}\}, \sigma = \{\phi, Y, \{c\}\}$. $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is defined as $f(a) = b, f(b) = c, f(c) = a$. Then $f^{-1}(\{a, b\}) = \{a, c\}$ is gp -closed but not $(g^*p)^*$ -closed. Then f is gp -continuous but not $(g^*p)^*$ -continuous.

Example 4.8: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}, \tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}\}, \sigma = \{\phi, Y, \{b, c\}\}$. $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is defined as $f(a) = c, f(b) = a, f(c) = b$. Then $f^{-1}(\{a\}) = \{b\}$ is wg -closed but not $(g^*p)^*$ -closed in (X, τ) . Hence f is wg -continuous but not $(g^*p)^*$ -continuous.

Example 4.9: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}, \tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}\}, \sigma = \{\phi, Y, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$.

$f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is defined as $f(a) = b, f(b) = a, f(c) = c$. Then $f^{-1}(\{b, c\}) = \{a, c\}$ is not $(g^*p)^*$ -closed in (X, τ) , but it is gsp -closed. Hence f is gsp -continuous but not $(g^*p)^*$ -continuous.

Example 4.10: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}, \tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}\}, \sigma = \{\phi, Y, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$.

$f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be defined by $f(a) = b, f(b) = a, f(c) = c$. Then $f^{-1}(\{b, c\}) = \{a, c\}$ is not $(g^*p)^*$ -closed in (X, τ) , but it is gpr -closed. Hence f is gpr -continuous but not $(g^*p)^*$ -continuous.

Theorem 4.11: Every $(g^*p)^*$ -irresolute map is $(g^*p)^*$ -continuous.

Proof follows from the definition.

Theorem 4.12: Every $(g^*p)^*$ -irresolute map is g -continuous, αg -continuous, gs -continuous, rg -continuous, gp -continuous, wg -continuous, gsp -continuous and gpr -continuous

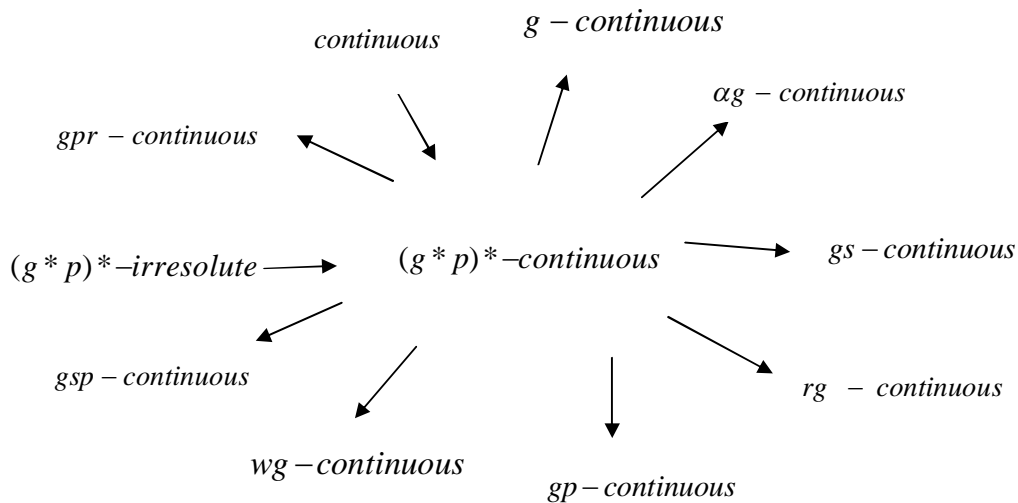
Proof follows from theorems (4.4) and (4.11).

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

Example 4.13: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, Y, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be the identity map. $\phi, Y, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}$ are closed sets of Y . $f^{-1}(\{a, b\}) = \{a, b\}$, $f^{-1}(\{b, c\}) = \{b, c\}$ and $f^{-1}\{b\} = \{b\}$ are g -closed, gs -closed, rg -closed set, gp -closed, wg -closed, gsp -closed, gpr -closed. Hence f is g -continuous, gs -continuous, rg -continuous, gp -continuous, wg -continuous, gsp -continuous and gpr -continuous. $(g^*p)^*$ -closed sets of Y are $\phi, Y, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}$. $f^{-1}(\{a, b\}) = \{a, b\}$ is not $(g^*p)^*$ -closed in (X, τ) . Hence f is not a $(g^*p)^*$ -irresolute.

Example 4.14: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, Y, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be defined by $f(a) = a, f(b) = c, f(c) = b$. Then $f^{-1}(\{b\}) = \{c\}$, $f^{-1}(\{a, b\}) = \{a, c\}$ and $f^{-1}(\{b, c\}) = \{b, c\}$ are αg -closed, and hence f is αg -continuous. $(g^*p)^*$ -closed sets are $\phi, Y, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}$. $f^{-1}(\{a, b\}) = \{a, c\}$ is not $(g^*p)^*$ -closed in (X, τ) . Hence f is αg -continuous but not a $(g^*p)^*$ -irresolute.

The above results can be represented in the following figure.



where $A \longrightarrow B$ represents A implies B and B need not imply A .

Theorem 4.15: Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ and $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ be two functions. Then

[1] $g \circ f$ is $(g^*p)^*$ -continuous if g is continuous and f is $(g^*p)^*$ -continuous.

[2] $g \circ f$ is $(g^*p)^*$ -irresolute if both f and g are $(g^*p)^*$ -irresolutes.

[3] $g \circ f$ is $(g^*p)^*$ -continuous if g is $(g^*p)^*$ -continuous and f is $(g^*p)^*$ -irresolute.

Proof [1]: Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be $(g^*p)^*$ -continuous and $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ be continuous. Let F be a closed set in (Z, η) . Since g is continuous, $g^{-1}(F)$ is closed in (Y, σ) . Since f is $(g^*p)^*$ -continuous, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F))$ is $(g^*p)^*$ -closed in (X, τ) . Hence $(g \circ f)^{-1}(F)$ is $(g^*p)^*$ -closed. $\therefore g \circ f$ is $(g^*p)^*$ -continuous.

Proof [2]: Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ and $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ be $(g^*p)^*$ -irresolutes. Let F be a $(g^*p)^*$ -closed set in (Z, η) . $(g \circ f)^{-1}(F) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F))$. Since g is $(g^*p)^*$ -irresolute, $g^{-1}(F)$ is $(g^*p)^*$ -closed in (Y, σ) . Since f is $(g^*p)^*$ -irresolute, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F))$ is $(g^*p)^*$ -closed in (X, τ) . $\therefore g \circ f$ is $(g^*p)^*$ -irresolute.

Proof [3]: Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be $(g^*p)^*$ -irresolute and $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ be $(g^*p)^*$ -continuous. Let F be closed in (Z, η) . Since g is $(g^*p)^*$ -continuous, $g^{-1}(F)$ is $(g^*p)^*$ -closed in (Y, σ) . Since f is $(g^*p)^*$ -irresolute, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F))$ is $(g^*p)^*$ -closed in (X, τ) . $\therefore g \circ f$ is $(g^*p)^*$ -continuous

5. APPLICATION OF $(g^*p)^*$ -CLOSED SETS

We introduce the following definitions.

Definition 5.1: A space (X, τ) is called a ${}_g T_p$ - space if every set $(g^*p)^*$ -closed set is closed.

Definition 5.2: A space (X, τ) is called a ${}_g T_p^*$ if every g - closed set is $(g^*p)^*$ -closed.

Theorem 5.3: Every $T_{\frac{1}{2}}$ - space is a ${}_g T_p$ - space .

Proof: Let (X, τ) be a $T_{\frac{1}{2}}$ - space . Let A be a $(g^*p)^*$ -closed set. Since every $(g^*p)^*$ -closed set is g - closed , A is g -closed. Since (X, τ) is $T_{\frac{1}{2}}$ - space , A is closed. $\therefore (X, \tau)$ is a ${}_g T_p$ - space .

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

Example 5.4: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}\}$. $(g^*p)^*$ -closed sets of X are $\phi, X, \{b, c\}$ and the g -closed sets are $\phi, X, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}$. Every $(g^*p)^*$ -closed set is closed. Hence the space (X, τ) is ${}_g T_p$ - space. $A = \{b\}$ is g -closed but it is not closed. Hence the space (X, τ) is not $T_{\frac{1}{2}}$ - space.

Theorem 5.5: Every ${}_{\alpha}T_b$ - space is a ${}_gT_p$ - space but not conversely.

Proof follows from the definitions.

Example 5.6: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}\}$ Here $(g^*p)^*$ -closed sets are $\phi, X, \{b, c\}$ and the αg - closed sets are $\phi, X, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}$. Since every $(g^*p)^*$ -closed set is closed, the space (X, τ) is a ${}_gT_p$ - space. $A = \{c\}$ is αg -closed but not closed. Therefore the space (X, τ) is not a ${}_{\alpha}T_b$ - space.

Theorem 5.7: Every T_b space is a ${}_gT_p$ -space

Proof follows from the definitions. The converse is not true.

Example 5.8: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}\}$ $(g^*p)^*$ -closed sets are $\phi, X, \{b, c\}$ and g - closed sets are $\phi, X, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}$. Since every $(g^*p)^*$ -closed set is closed, the space (X, τ) is a ${}_gT_p$ - space. $A = \{c\}$ is g -closed but not closed. Therefore the space (X, τ) is not a

T_b - space.

Theorem 5.9: Every $T_{\frac{1}{2}}$ - space is a ${}_gT_p^*$ - space.

Proof follows from the definitions.

Theorem 5.10: Every ${}_{\alpha}T_b$ -space is a ${}_gT_p^*$ - space.

Proof: Let (X, τ) be a ${}_{\alpha}T_b$ - space. Let A be g -closed. Then A is αg -closed. Since the space is

${}_{\alpha}T_b$ -space, A is closed and hence A is $(g^*p)^*$ -closed. Therefore the space (X, τ) is a ${}_gT_p^*$ -space.

Theorem 5.11: Every T_b - space is a ${}_gT_p^*$ - space but not conversely.

Proof follows from the definitions.

Example 5.12: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$. Here $(g^*p)^*$ -closed sets are $\phi, X, \{b, c\}, \{a, b\}, \{b\}$, g - closed sets are $\phi, X, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}$ and the g -closed sets are $\phi, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}$. Since every $(g^*p)^*$ -closed set is g -closed, the space (X, τ) is a

${}_gT_p^*$ - space. $A = \{c\}$ is g -closed but not closed. Therefore the space (X, τ) is not a T_b - space.

Theorem 5.13: Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a $(g * p)^*$ -continuous map and let (X, τ) be a ${}_g T_p$ -space then f is continuous.

Proof: Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a $(g * p)^*$ -continuous map. Let F be a closed set of (Y, σ) . Since f is $(g * p)^*$ -continuous, $f^{-1}(F)$ is $(g * p)^*$ -closed in (X, τ) . Since (X, τ) is a ${}_g T_p$ -space, $f^{-1}(F)$ is closed in (X, τ) . Therefore f is continuous.

Theorem 5.14: Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a g -continuous map where (X, τ) is a ${}_g T_p^*$ -space. Then f is $(g * p)^*$ -continuous.

Proof: Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a g -continuous map. Let F be a closed set in (Y, σ) . Since f is g -continuous, therefore $f^{-1}(F)$ is g -closed in (X, τ) . Since (X, τ) is a ${}_g T_p^*$ -space, $f^{-1}(F)$ is $(g * p)^*$ -closed. Therefore f is $(g * p)^*$ -continuous.

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