

ON $\# \alpha$ Regular Generalized Continuous Functions in Topological Spaces

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Abstract : In this paper we introduce a new type of functions called the $\# \alpha$ - regular generalized continuous functions. Also we study some characterizations and basic properties of $\# \alpha$ - regular generalized continuous functions. Moreover we study $\# \arg$ - irresolute functions by using $\# \arg$ - closed sets.

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1.Introduction :-The concept of regular continuous function was first introduced by Arya S.P and Gupta R, Later Palaniappan N and Rao, K.C{13} studied the concept of regular generalized continuous function. Syed Ali Fathima and Maria Singam {19} studied the concept of $\#$ regular generalized continuous function. Thilaga and Maria Singam {21} introduced and studied the properties of $\# \arg$ -closed sets. The purpose of this paper is to introduce the concept of $\# \arg$ -continuous and $\# \arg$ -irresolute functions and we study the relation among them.

2. Preliminaries :- Throughout this paper (X, τ) represents a topological space on which no separation axiom is assumed. Unless otherwise mentioned. For a subset A of a topological space X , $\text{cl}(A)$ and $\text{int}(A)$ denote the closure of A and the interior of A respectively. $X \setminus A$ (or) A^c denotes the complement of A in X . We recall the following definition and results.

Definition : 2.1 A subset A of a space X is called.

- 1) a pre open set [11] if $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$ and preclosed set if $\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) \subseteq A$.
- 2) a semi open set [8] if $A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$ and semi closed set if $\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)) \subseteq A$.
- 3) a α -open set [21] if $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)))$ and an α -closed set if $\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(A))) \subseteq A$.
- 4) a regular open set [18] if $A = \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$ and a regular closed set if $A = \text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)))$.
- 5) a π -open set [19] if A is finite union of regular open sets.
- 6) regular semi open [4] if there is a regular open U such $U \subseteq A \subseteq \text{cl}(U)$.

Definition :2.2 A subset A of (X, τ) is called.

- 1) an α -generalized closed set [10] (briefly αg -closed) if $\alpha \text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in (X, τ) .
- 2) a generalized pre-closed set [21] (briefly gp-closed) if $\text{pcl}(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in (X, τ) .
- 3) a generalized semi pre-closed set [21] (briefly gsp-closed) if $\text{spcl}(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in (X, τ) .
- 4) a generalized α -closed ($g\alpha$ -closed)[10] set if $\alpha \text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in (X, τ) .
- 5) rw-closed [2] if $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is regular semi open.
- 6) $\# \text{rg}$ -closed [19] if $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is rw-open.
- 7) $\# \arg$ -closed [21] if $\alpha \text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is rw-open.

The complements of the above mentioned closed sets are their respective open sets.

Definition:-2.3 A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ from a topological space X into a topological space Y is called.

- 1) A α -generalized continuous [8] (briefly αg - continuous) if $f^{-1}(v)$ is αg -closed in X for every closed set V in Y .
- 2) A generalized pre continuous [1] (briefly gp-continuous) if $f^{-1}(V)$ is gp-closed in X for every closed set V in Y .
- 3) A generalized semi pre-continuous [10] (briefly gsp-continuous) if $f^{-1}(V)$ is gsp-closed in X for every closed set V in Y .
- 4) A generalized α -continuous[12] (briefly $g\alpha$ -continuous) if $f^{-1}(V)$ is $g\alpha$ -closed in X for every closed set V in Y .
5. A α -generalized pre continuous[12] (briefly αgp -continuous) if $f^{-1}(V)$ is αgp -called in X for every closed set V in Y .

Definition :2.4 For a subset A of a space X $\# \arg\text{-cl}(A) = \bigcap \{F: A \subseteq F, F \text{ is } \# \arg\text{-closed in } X\}$ is called the $\# \arg$ -closure of A .

Definition :2.5 Let (X, τ) be a topological space and $\tau_{\#arg} = \{V \subseteq X, \#arg-cl(X \setminus V) = X \setminus V\}$

Lemma :2.6 For any $x \in X, x \in \#arg-cl(A)$ if and only if $V \cap A \neq \emptyset$ for every $\#arg$ -open set V containing x .

Lemma :2.7 Let A and B be subsets of (X, τ) Then

1. $\#arg-cl(\emptyset) = \emptyset$ and $\#arg-cl(X) = X$
2. If $A \subseteq B$, then $\#arg-cl(A) \subseteq \#arg-cl(B)$
3. $A \subseteq \#arg-cl(A)$
4. if A is $\#arg$ -closed then $\#arg-cl(A) = A$
5. $\#arg$ -closure of a set A is not always $\#arg$ -closed.

Remark :2.8 Suppose $\tau_{\#arg}$ is a topology, If A is $\#arg$ -closed in (X, τ)

Lemma:2.9 A set $A \subseteq X$ is $\#arg$ -open if and only if $F \subseteq \text{int}A$ whenever $F \subseteq A$, F is $\#arg$ -closed.

3. $\#arg$ continuous Functions:

In this section we introduce and study $\#arg$ -continuous functions.

Definition :3.1.1 A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (y, \sigma)$ is called $\#arg$ -continuous if $f^{-1}(V)$ is $\#arg$ -closed in (X, τ) for every closed subset V of (y, σ) .

Theorem: 3.1.2 Every continuous map is $\#arg$ -continuous .

Proof: Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (y, \sigma)$ be a continuous map then for every closed set A in y , $f^{-1}(A)$ is closed in X . Since every closed set is $\#arg$ -closed, $f^{-1}(A)$ is $\#arg$ -closed in X . Hence f is $\#arg$ -continuous map.

Theorem :3.1.3 Every $\#rg$ -continuous map is $\#arg$ -continuous map .

Proof: Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (y, \sigma)$ is $\#rg$ -continuous map then for every closed set A in y , $f^{-1}(A)$ is $\#rg$ -closed in X . Since every $\#rg$ -closed set is $\#arg$ -closed, $f^{-1}(A)$ is $\#arg$ -closed in X . Hence f is $\#arg$ -continuous map.

The converse of the theorem 3.1.2 and 3.1.3 is not necessarily true as seen from the following example.

Example :3.1.4 Let $X = \{a, b, c\}, Y = \{y, \emptyset, \{b\}\}$

Define : $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (y, \sigma)$ by $f(a)=a, f(b)=c, f(c)=b$ clearly

- i) f is $\#arg$ -continuous but it is not continuous.
- ii) f is $\#arg$ -continuous but it is not $\#rg$ -continuous .

Corollary: 3.1.5 Every regular continuous map is $\#arg$ -continuous but converse is not true.

Proof : Follows from Theorem 3.1.2 and the fact that every regular continuous map is $\#rg$ -continuous.

Theorem :3.1.6 In a topological space (X, τ) ,

- (a) Every $\#arg$ -continuous map is gp -continuous map .
- (b) Every $\#arg$ -continuous map is αg -continuous map.
- (c) Every $\#arg$ -continuous map is gsp -continuous map.

Proof (a): Suppose $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (y, \sigma)$ is $\#arg$ -continuous. Let V be a closed set in (y, σ) . Since f is $\#arg$ -continuous then $f^{-1}(V)$ is $\#arg$ -closed set in (X, τ) . Since every $\#arg$ -closed set is gp -closed set, then $f^{-1}(V)$ is also gp -closed set in X . Thus f is gp -continuous.

Proof (b): Suppose $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (y, \sigma)$ is $\#arg$ -continuous. Let V be a closed set in (y, σ) since f is $\#arg$ -continuous then $f^{-1}(V)$ is $\#arg$ -closed set in (X, τ) . Since every $\#arg$ -closed set is αg -closed set then $f^{-1}(V)$ is also αg -closed set in X . Thus f is αg -continuous.

Proof (c): Suppose $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (y, \sigma)$ is $\#arg$ -continuous let V be a closed set in (y, σ) . Since f is $\#arg$ -continuous then $f^{-1}(V)$ is $\#arg$ -closed set in (X, τ) . Since every $\#arg$ -closed set is gsp -closed set then $f^{-1}(V)$ is also gsp -closed set in X . Thus f is gsp -continuous.

Remark3.1.7: The following example shows that converses of Theorem3.1.6 (a),(b)and (c) are not true.

Example 3.1.8: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}, Y = \{y, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$

Define : $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a)=b, f(b)=c, f(c)=a$, clearly

- i) f is $\#arg$ -continuous but it is not $\#arg$ continuous .
- ii) f is $\#arg$ - continuous but it is not $\#arg$ continuous.
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Theorem3.1.9: Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function then the following are equivalent.

- (i). f is $\#arg$ -continuous
- (ii). The inverse image of each set in (Y, σ) is $\#arg$ -open in (X, τ)
- (iii). The inverse image of each closed set in (Y, σ) is $\#arg$ - closed in (X, τ) .

Proof : Suppose (i) holds. Let G be open in Y . Then $Y \setminus G$ is closed in Y . By (i) $f^{-1}(Y \setminus G)$ is $\#arg$ -closed in X . But $f^{-1}(Y \setminus G) = X \setminus f^{-1}(G)$ which is $\#arg$ -closed in X . Therefore $f^{-1}(G)$ is $\#arg$ -open in X . This proves (i) \Rightarrow (ii).

Suppose (ii) holds. Let V be any closed set in (Y, σ) . Then $Y \setminus V$ is open set in Y . By (ii) $f^{-1}(Y \setminus V)$ is $\#arg$ -open. But $f^{-1}(Y \setminus V) = X \setminus f^{-1}(V)$ which is $\#arg$ -open Therefore $f^{-1}(V)$ is $\#arg$ -closed. This prove (ii) \Rightarrow (iii).

The implication (iii) \Rightarrow (i) follows from definition.

Theorem3.1.10: If a function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is $\#arg$ -continuous then $f(\#arg-cl(A)) \subseteq cl(f(A))$ for every subset A of X .

Proof : Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be $\#arg$ - continuous. Let $A \subseteq X$ then $cl(f(A))$ is closed in Y . Since f is $\#arg$ -continuous, $f^{-1}(cl(f(A)))$ is $\#arg$ -closed in X and $A \subseteq f^{-1}(f(A)) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(f(A)))$ implies $\#arg-cl(A) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(f(A)))$ hence $f(\#arg-cl(A)) \subseteq cl(f(A))$.

Theorem 3.1.11: Let X be a space in which every singleton set is $\#arg$ -closed. Then $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is $\#arg$ -continuous iff $x \in int(f^{-1}(V))$ for every open subset V of Y contains $f(x)$.

Proof : Suppose $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is $\#arg$ -continuous. Fix $x \in X$ and an open set V in Y such that $f(x) \in V$. Then $f^{-1}(V)$ is $\#arg$ -open. Since $x \in f^{-1}(V)$ and $\{x\}$ is $\#arg$ -closed, $x \in int(f^{-1}(V))$.

Conversely, assume that $x \in int(f^{-1}(V))$ for every open subset V of Y containing $f(x)$. Let V be an open set in Y . Suppose $F \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$ and F is $\#arg$ -closed. Let $x \in F$ then $f(x) \in V$ so that $x \in int(f^{-1}(V))$. That implies $F \subseteq x \in int(f^{-1}(V))$. Therefore $f^{-1}(V)$ is $\#arg$ -open. This proves f is $\#arg$ -continuous.

Theorem 3.1.12: Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function. Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be any two spaces such that $\tau_{\#arg}$ is a topology on X . Then the following statement are equivalent.

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

Proof: Suppose (i) holds. Let A be closed in Y . By hypothesis $f(\#arg-cl(f^{-1}(A))) \subseteq cl(f(f^{-1}(A))) \subseteq cl(A) = A$. (ie) $\#arg-cl(f^{-1}(A)) \subseteq f^{-1}(A)$. Also $f^{-1}(A) \subseteq \#arg-cl(f^{-1}(A))$ Hence $\#arg-cl(f^{-1}(A)) = f^{-1}(A)$. This implies $(f^{-1}(A))^c \in \tau_{\#arg}$. Thus $f^{-1}(A)$ is closed in $(X, \tau_{\#arg})$ and so f is continuous. This Proves (ii).

Suppose (ii) holds. For every subset A of X , $cl(f(A))$ is closed in Y . Since $f: (X, \tau_{\#arg}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is continuous, $f^{-1}(cl(f(A)))$ is closed in $(X, \tau_{\#arg})$ that implies $\#arg-cl(f^{-1}(cl(f(A)))) = f^{-1}(cl(f(A)))$. Now we have $A \subseteq f^{-1}(f(A)) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(f(A)))$ and $\#arg-cl(A) \subseteq \#arg-cl(f^{-1}(cl(f(A)))) = f^{-1}(cl(f(A)))$. Therefore $f(\#arg-cl(A)) \subseteq cl(f(A))$.

Remark :3.1.13 The composition of two $\#arg$ -continuous maps need not be $\#arg$ -continuous shown by an example.

Example:3.1.14 Let $X=Y=Z=\{a,b,c\}, \tau=\{\emptyset, X, \{b\}, \{b,c\}\}, \sigma=\{\emptyset, X, \{a\}\}, \mu=\{\emptyset, X, \{b\}\}$. Define a map by $f(a)=b, f(b)=a$ and $f(c)=c$

Theorem:3.1.15 Let $(X, \tau), (Y, \sigma)$ and (Z, μ) be topological space such that $\sigma_{\#arg} = \sigma$. Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ and $g: (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \mu)$ be $\#arg$ -continuous functions. Then the composition $g \circ f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \mu)$ is $\#arg$ -continuous.

Proof : Let V be closed in (Z, μ) . Since g is $\#arg$ -continuous, $g^{-1}(V)$ is $\#arg$ -closed in (Y, σ) . Since $\sigma_{\#arg} = \sigma$, $g^{-1}(V)$ is closed in (Y, σ) . Since f is $\#arg$ - continuous, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ is $\#arg$ -closed. (ie) $(g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$ is $\#arg$ - closed in (X, τ) . Therefore $g \circ f$ is $\#arg$ - continuous.

3.2.#arg - irresolute functions.

In this section #arg - irresolute function is introduced and their basic properties are discussed.

Definition :3.2.1 A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (y, \sigma)$ is called #arg-irresolute if $f^{-1}(v)$ is # arg - closed in (X, τ) for every #arg-closed subset V of (y, σ) .

Theorem : 3.2.2 Every #arg - irresolute function is #arg - continuous but converse is not necessarily true.

Proof : Suppose $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (y, \sigma)$ is called #arg-irresolute. Let V be any closed subset of Y . Then V is #arg-closed set in Y . Since f is #arg-irresolute, $f^{-1}(v)$ is #arg-closed in X . Hence f is #arg-continuous .

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

Example.3.2.3 Let $X=\{a,b,c\}=Y$ $\tau=(\{\emptyset, X, \{b\}, \{a,c\}\})$ $\sigma = \{y, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$

Define : $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (y, \sigma)$ by $f(a)=a, f(b)=b, f(c)=c$, #arg – continuous but not #arg – irresolute.

Theorem :3.2.4 If a map $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (y, \sigma)$ is #arg - continuous map Y is $\tau_{\#arg}$ - space then f is #arg - irresolute.

Proof : Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (y, \sigma)$ is #arg - continuous map then inverse image of every closed set in Y is #arg-closed set in X . Since Y is $\tau_{\#arg}$ - space, inverse image of every #arg-closed set in Y is #arg-closed set in X . (ie) f is #arg - irresolute.

Theorem :3.2.5 Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (y, \sigma)$ be rw-irresolute and closed. Then f maps a #arg-closed set in (X, τ) into a #arg - closed set in (y, σ) .

Proof : Let A be #arg - closed in (X, τ) . Let $f(A) \subseteq U$ where U is rw-open. Then $A \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$. since f is rw-irresolute, $f^{-1}(U)$ is rw-open in X . Since A is # arg - closed , $\text{acl}(A) \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$,that implies $f(\text{acl}(A)) \subseteq U$ since f is closed, $f(\text{acl}(A))$ is closed that implies $\text{acl}(f(A)) \subseteq \text{acl}(f(\text{acl}(A))) = f(\text{acl}(A)) \subseteq U$. Hence $f(A)$ is #arg-closed in (y, σ) .

Theorem : 3.2.6 Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ be any two function. Let $h = \text{gof}$. Then

- (i) h is #arg - continuous if f is #arg – irresolute and g is #arg-continuous.
- (ii) h is #arg-irresolute. If both f and g are #arg - irresolute and
- (iii) h is #arg - continuous if g is continuous and f is #arg - continuous.

Proof : Let V be closed in Z

(i) Suppose f is #arg - irresolute and g is #arg – continuous. since g is #arg - continuous, $g^{-1}(V)$ is #arg - closed in Y . Since f is #arg - irresolute, using the definition 3.2.1 $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ is #arg-closed in X . This prove (i)

(ii) Let f and g be #arg - irresolute. Then $g^{-1}(V)$ is #arg-closed in Y . Since f is #arg - irresolute using the definition 3.2.1 $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ is #arg - closed in X . This proves (ii)

(iii) Let g be continuous and f be #arg - continuous. Then $g^{-1}(V)$ is closed in Y . Since f is #arg - continuous using definition _3.1.1 $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ is #arg-closed in X . This Proves (iii).

Theorem :3.2.7 A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (y, \sigma)$ is #arg - irresolute if and only if the inverse image of every #arg - open set in y is #arg – open in X .

Proof : It follows easily as a direct consequence of definition.

Theorem : 3.2.8 If a map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is #arg - irresolute then for every subset A of X , $f(\#arg - \text{cl}(A)) \subseteq \text{cl}(f(A))$.

Proof : For every subset A of X , $\text{cl}(f(A))$ is closed in Y . Thus $\text{cl}(f(A))$ is # arg - closed in Y . By hypothesis, $f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(A)))$ is #arg - closed in X , As $A \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(A))) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(A)))$. We have $\#arg\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq \#arg\text{-cl}(f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(A)))) = f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(A)))$. Hence $f(\#arg\text{-cl}(A)) \subseteq \text{cl}(f(A))$.

Theorem :3.2.9 If a map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is #arg - irresolute then for every $A \subseteq Y$, $\#arg\text{-cl}(f^{-1}(A)) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(A)))$

Proof : For every subset A of Y , $\text{cl}(A)$ is closed set in Y . Thus $\text{cl}(A)$ is #arg-closed in Y . By hypothesis, $f^{-1}(\text{cl}(A))$ is #arg - closed in X , since $A \subseteq \text{cl}(A)$, $f^{-1}(A) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{cl}(A))$ which implies that $\#arg\text{-cl}(f^{-1}(A)) \subseteq \#arg\text{-cl}(f^{-1}(\text{cl}(A))) = f^{-1}(\text{cl}(f(A)))$

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