# **On S\*g-α-Open Sets In Topological Spaces**

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## Abstract

In this paper, we introduce a new class of sets, namely,  $s^{*}g^{-}\alpha$ -open sets and we show that the family of all s\*g- $\alpha$ -open subsets of a topological space (X, $\tau$ ) from a topology on X which is finer than  $\tau$ . Also , we study the characterizations and basic properties of s\*g- $\alpha$ open sets and s\*g- $\alpha$ -closed sets. Moreover, we use these sets to define and study a new class of functions, namely , s\*g-  $\alpha$  -continuous functions and s\*g-  $\alpha$  -irresolute functions in topological spaces. Some properties of these functions have been studied.

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Levine, N. [1,2] introduced and studied semi-open sets and generalized open sets respectively. Njastad, O. [3], Mashhour, A.S. and et.al. [4], Andrijevic, D. [5] and Abd El-Monsef, M.E. and et.al [6] introduced  $\alpha$ -open sets, pre-open sets , b-open sets and  $\beta$ -open sets respectively. Also, Arya, S.P. and Nour, T.M. [7], Maki, H. and et.al [8,9], Khan, M. and et.al [10] introduced and investigated generalized semi open sets, generalized  $\alpha$ -open sets,  $\alpha$ generalized open sets and s\*g-open sets respectively. In this paper, we introduce a new class of sets, namely,  $s^*g - \alpha$ -open sets and we show that the family of all  $s^*g - \alpha$ -open subsets of a topological space  $(X,\tau)$  from a topology on X which is finer than  $\tau$ . This class of open sets is placed properly between the class of open sets and each of semi-open sets,  $\alpha$ -open sets, preopen sets, b-open sets,  $\beta$ -open sets, generalized semi open sets, generalized  $\alpha$ -open sets and  $\alpha$ generalized open sets respectively. Also, we study the characterizations and basic properties of s\*g- $\alpha$ -open sets and s\*g- $\alpha$ -closed sets. Moreover, we use these sets to define and study a new class of functions, namely,  $s^{*}g^{-}\alpha$ -continuous functions and  $s^{*}g^{-}\alpha$ -irresolute functions in topological spaces. Some properties of these functions have been studied. Throughout this paper  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $(Y, \sigma)$  and  $(Z, \eta)$  (or simply X, Y and Z) represent non-empty topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed, unless otherwise mentioned.

# **1.Preliminaries**

First we recall the following definitions and Theorems .

**Definition(1.1):** A subset A of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be :

i) An semi-open (briefly s-open) set [1] if  $A \subseteq cl(int(A))$ .

ii) An  $\alpha$ -open set [3] if  $A \subseteq int(cl(int(A)))$ .

iii) An pre-open set [4] if  $A \subseteq int(cl(A))$ .

iv) An b-open set [5] if  $A \subseteq int(cl(A)) \bigcup cl(int(A))$ .

v) An $\beta$ -open set [6] if A  $\subseteq$  cl(int(cl(A))).

The semi-closure (resp.  $\alpha$ -closure) of a subset A of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is the intersection of all semi-closed (resp.  $\alpha$ -closed) sets which contains A and is denoted by  $cl_s(A)$  (resp.  $cl_{\alpha}(A)$ ). Clearly  $cl_s(A) \subseteq cl_{\alpha}(A) \subseteq cl(A)$ .

**Definition(1.2):** A subset A of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be :

- i) A generalized closed (briefly g-closed) set [2] if  $cl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is open in X.
- ii) A generalized semi-closed (briefly gs-closed) set [7] if  $cl_s(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is open in X.
- iii) A generalized  $\alpha$ -closed (briefly g $\alpha$ -closed) set [8] if  $cl_{\alpha}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is  $\alpha$ -open in X.
- iv) An  $\alpha$ -generalized closed (briefly  $\alpha$ g-closed) set [9] if  $cl_{\alpha}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is open in X.
- v) An s\*g-closed set [10] if  $cl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is semi-open in X.

The complement of a g-closed (resp. gs-closed , ga-closed , ag-closed , s\*g-closed) set is called a g-open (resp. gs-open , ga-open , ag-open , s\*g-open) set .

**Definition(1.3):** A function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is called :

i) semi-continuous (briefly s-continuous)[1] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is s-open set in X for every open set Vin Y

ii)  $\alpha$  -continuous [11] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\alpha$  -open set in X for every open set V in Y.

iii) pre-continuous [4] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is pre-open set in X for every open set V in Y.

iv) b-continuous [12] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is b-open set in X for every open set V in Y.

v) $\beta$ -continuous [6] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\beta$ -open set in X for every open set V in Y.

- vi) generalized continuous (briefly g-continuous) [13] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is g-open set in X for every open set V in Y.
- vii) generalized semi continuous (briefly gs-continuous)[14] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is gs-open set in X for every open set V in Y.
- viii) generalized  $\alpha$ -continuous (briefly g $\alpha$ -continuous) [8] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is g $\alpha$ -open set in X for every open set V in Y.
- ix)  $\alpha$ -generalized continuous (briefly  $\alpha$ g-continuous) [15] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\alpha$ g-open set in X for every open set V in Y.

x) s\*g-continuous [16] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is s\*g-open set in X for every open set V in Y.

**Definition(1.4)[10],[17]:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $A \subseteq X$ . Then:-

i) The s\*g-closure of A , denoted by  $\text{cl}_{s^{\ast}g}(A)$  is the intersection of all s\*g-closed subsets of X which

contains A .

ii) The s\*g-interior of A , denoted by  $int_{s*g}(A)$  is the union of all s\*g-open subsets of X which are contained in A .

Theorem(1.5)[17]: Let  $(X,\tau)$  be a topological space and  $A,B \subseteq X$  . Then:-

i) 
$$A \subseteq cl_{s^*g}(A) \subseteq cl(A)$$
.

- ii)  $int(A) \subseteq int_{s^*g}(A) \subseteq A$ .
- iii) If  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $cl_{s^*g}(A) \subseteq cl_{s^*g}(B)$ .
- iv) A is s\*g-closed iff  $cl_{s*g}(A) = A$ .
- **v**)  $cl_{s*g}(cl_{s*g}(A)) = cl_{s*g}(A)$ .
- vi)  $X int_{s*g}(A) = cl_{s*g}(X A)$ .
- vii)  $x \in cl_{s^*g}(A)$  iff for every  $s^*g$ -open set U containing  $x, U \cap A \neq \phi$ .
- **viii)**  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \wedge} \operatorname{cl}_{s^*g}(U_{\alpha}) \subseteq \operatorname{cl}_{s^*g}(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \wedge} U_{\alpha})$ .

**Theorem(1.6)[18]:** Let  $X \times Y$  be the product space of topological spaces X and Y. If  $A \subseteq X$  and

 $B \subseteq Y$ . Then  $cl_{s^*g}(A) \times cl_{s^*g}(B) = cl_{s^*g}(A \times B)$ .

# 2. Basic Properties Of s\*g-α-open Sets

In this section we introduce a new class of sets, namely ,  $s^*g \cdot \alpha$ -open sets and we show that the family of all  $s^*g \cdot \alpha$ -open subsets of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  from a topology on X which is finer than  $\tau$ .

**Definition(2.1):** A subset A of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called an  $s^*g - \alpha$ -open set if  $A \subseteq int(cl_{s^*g}(int(A)))$ . The complement of an  $s^*g - \alpha$ -open set is defined to be  $s^*g - \alpha$ -closed.

The family of all s\*g-  $\alpha$  -open subsets of X is denoted by  $\tau^{s^{*g-\alpha}}$  .

Clearly, every open set is an  $s^{*}g$ - $\alpha$ -open, but the converse is not true. Consider the following example.

**Example(2.2):** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}\}$  be a topology on X. Then  $\{a, b\}$  is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set in X, since  $\{a, b\} \subseteq int(cl_{s*g}(int(\{a, b\}))) = int(cl_{s*g}(\{a\}) = int(X) = X$ . But  $\{a, b\}$  is not open in X.

**Remark(2.3):** s\*g-open sets and s\*g- $\alpha$ -open sets are in general independent. Consider the following examples:-

**Example(2.4):** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $\tau = \{X, \phi\}$  be a topology on X. Then  $\{b\}$  is an s\*g-open set in X, but is not s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set, since  $\{b\} \not\subset int(cl_{s^*g}(int(\{b\}))) = int(cl_{s^*g}(\phi)) = \phi$ . Also, in example (2.2)  $\{a, b\}$  is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set in X, but is not s\*g-open, since  $\{a, b\}^c = \{c\}$  is not s\*g-closed set in X, since  $\{a, c\}$  is an semi-open set in X and  $\{c\} \subseteq \{a, c\}$ , but  $cl(\{c\}) = \{b, c\} \not\subset \{a, c\}$ .

**Theorem(2.5):** Every s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set is  $\alpha$ -open (resp.  $\alpha$ g-open, g $\alpha$ -open , pre-open , b-open ,  $\beta$ -open ) set .

**Proof:** Let A be any s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set in X , then A  $\subseteq$  int(cl<sub>s\*g</sub>(int(A))) . Since int(cl<sub>s\*g</sub>(int(A)))  $\subseteq$  int(cl(int(A))), thus A  $\subseteq$  int(cl(int(A))) . Therefore A is an  $\alpha$ -open set in X. Since every  $\alpha$ -open set is  $\alpha$ g-open (resp. g $\alpha$ -open , pre-open , b-open ,  $\beta$ -open ) set . Thus every s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set is  $\alpha$ -open (resp.  $\alpha$ -open , g $\alpha$ -open , pre-open , b-open ,  $\beta$ -open ) set . **Remark(2.6):** The converse of Theorem (2.5) may not be true in general as shown in the

following example.

**Example(2.7):** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  &  $\tau = \{X, \phi\}$  be a topology on X. Then the set  $\{b, c\}$  is preopen (resp.  $\alpha$ g-open,  $\beta$ -open,  $\beta$ -open) in X, but is not s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set in X, since  $\{b, c\} \not\subset int(cl_{s*\sigma}(int(\{b, c\}))) = int(cl_{s*\sigma}(\phi))) = \phi$ .

**Theorem(2.8):** Every  $s^*g - \alpha$  -open set is semi-open and gs-open set.

**Proof:** Let A be any  $s^*g \cdot \alpha$ -open set in X, then  $A \subseteq int(cl_{s^*g}(int(A)))$ . Since  $int(cl_{s^*g}(int(A))) \subseteq cl_{s^*g}(int(A)) \subseteq cl(int(A))$ , thus  $A \subseteq cl(int(A))$ . Therefore A is a semi-open set in X. Since every semi-open set is gs-open set. Thus every  $s^*g \cdot \alpha$ -open set is semi-open and gs-open set.

**Remark(2.9):** The converse of Theorem (2.8) may not be true in general as shown in the following example .

**Example(2.10):** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\} \& \tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}\$  be a topology on X. Then the set  $\{a, c\}$  is semi-open and gs-open set in X, but is not an  $s^*g - \alpha$ -open set in X, since  $\{a, c\} \not\subset int(cl_{s^*g}(int(\{a, c\}))) = int(cl_{s^*g}(\{a\}))) = int(\{a, c\}) = \{a\}.$ 

**Remark(2.11):** pre-open sets and  $\alpha$ g-open sets are in general independent . Consider the following examples:-

**Example(2.12):** Let  $(R, \mu)$  be the usual topological space. Then the set of all rational numbers Q is a pre-open set, but is not an  $\alpha g$ -open set. Also, in Example (2.2) {b} is an  $\alpha g$ -open set, since,  $\{b\}^{c} = \{a, c\}$  is an  $\alpha g$ -closed set, but is not a pre-open set, since  $\{b\} \not\subset int(cl(\{b\})) = int(\{c, b\}) = \phi$ .

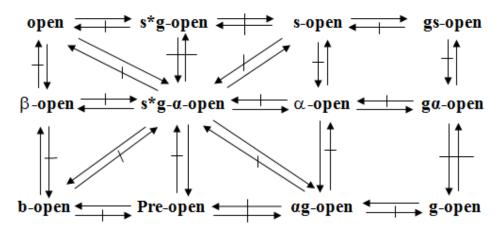
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**Remark(2.13):** g-open sets and  $g\alpha$ -open sets are in general independent . Consider the following examples:-

**Example(2.14):** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\} \& \tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, c\}\}$  be a topology on X. Then the set  $\{a, b\}$  is a ga-open set in X, since  $\{a, b\}^c = \{c\}$  is ga-closed, but is not a g-open set in X, since  $\{a, b\}^c = \{c\}$  is not g-closed. Also, in Example (2.2)  $\{c\}$  is a g-open set in X, since,

 $\{c\}^{c} = \{a,b\}$  is g-closed, but is not a ga-open set in X, since  $\{c\}^{c} = \{a,b\}$  is not ga-closed.

The following diagram shows the relationships between s\*g- $\alpha$ -open sets and some other open sets:



**Proposition(2.15):** A subset A of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is s\*g- $\alpha$ -open if and only if there exists an open subset U of X such that  $U \subseteq A \subseteq int(cl_{s*g}(U))$ .

**Proof:**  $\Rightarrow$  Suppose that A is a s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set in X, then A  $\subseteq$  int(cl<sub>s\*g</sub>(int(A))). Since int(A)  $\subseteq$  A, thus int(A)  $\subseteq$  A  $\subseteq$  int(cl<sub>s\*g</sub>(int(A))). Put U = int(A), hence there exists an open subset U of X such that U  $\subseteq$  A  $\subseteq$  int(cl<sub>s\*g</sub>(U)).

**Conversely,** suppose that there exists an open subset U of X such that  $U \subseteq A \subseteq int(cl_{s^*g}(U))$ . Since  $U \subseteq A \Rightarrow U \subseteq int(A) \Rightarrow cl_{s^*g}(U) \subseteq cl_{s^*g}(int(A)) \Rightarrow int(cl_{s^*g}(U)) \subseteq int(cl_{s^*g}(int(A)))$ . Since  $A \subseteq int(cl_{s^*g}(U))$ , then  $A \subseteq int(cl_{s^*g}(int(A)))$ . Thus A is an  $s^*g$ - $\alpha$ -open set in X. **Lemma(2.16):** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space. If U is an open set in X, then  $U \cap cl_{s^*g}(A) \subseteq cl_{s^*g}(U \cap A)$  for any subset A of X.

**Proof:** Let  $x \in U \cap cl_{s^*g}(A)$  and V be any s\*g-open set in X s.t  $x \in V$ . Since  $x \in cl_{s^*g}(A)$ , then by Theorem ((1.5),vii),  $V \cap A \neq \phi$ . Since  $U \cap V$  is an s\*g-open set in X and  $x \in V \cap U$ , then  $(V \cap U) \cap A = V \cap (U \cap A) \neq \phi$ . Therefore  $x \in cl_{s^*g}(U \cap A)$ . Thus  $U \cap cl_{s^*g}(A) \subseteq cl_{s^*g}(U \cap A)$  for any subset A of X.

**Theorem(2.17):** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space. Then the family of all s\*g- $\alpha$ -open subsets of X from a topology on X.

**Proof:**(i). Since  $\phi \subseteq int(cl_{s^*g}(int(\phi)))$  and  $X \subseteq int(cl_{s^*g}(int(X)))$ , then  $\phi, X \in \tau^{s^*g-\alpha}$ .

(ii). Let  $A, B \in \tau^{s^*g^{-\alpha}}$ . To prove that  $A \cap B \in \tau^{s^*g^{-\alpha}}$ . By Proposition (2.15), there exists  $U, V \in \tau$  such that  $U \subseteq A \subseteq int(cl_{s^*g}(U))$  and  $V \subseteq B \subseteq int(cl_{s^*g}(V))$ . Notice that  $U \cap V \in \tau$  and  $U \cap V \subseteq A \cap B$ . Now,

 $A \cap B \subseteq int(cl_{s^{*g}}(U)) \cap int(cl_{s^{*g}}(V)) = int(int(cl_{s^{*g}}(U)) \cap cl_{s^{*g}}(V))$ 

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 $\subseteq int(cl_{s^{*g}}(int(cl_{s^{*g}}(U)) \cap V))$  (by Lemma (2.16)).

$$\subseteq \operatorname{int}(\operatorname{cl}_{s^*g}(\operatorname{cl}_{s^*g}(U) \cap V)) \subseteq \operatorname{int}(\operatorname{cl}_{s^*g}(\operatorname{cl}_{s^*g}(U \cap V)) \text{ (by Lemma (2.16))}. = \operatorname{int}(\operatorname{cl}_{s^*g}(U \cap V)) \text{ (by Theorem (1.5),v)}.$$

Thus  $U \cap V \subseteq A \cap B \subseteq int(cl_{s^{*g}}(U \cap V))$ . Therefore by Proposition (2.15),  $A \cap B \in \tau^{s^{*g-\alpha}}$ .

(iii). Let  $\{U_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \land\}$  be any family of  $s^*g \cdot \alpha$ -open subsets of X, then  $U_{\alpha} \subseteq int(cl_{s^*g}(int(U_{\alpha})))$ for each  $\alpha \in \land$ . Therefore by Theorem ((1.5) viii), we get :

$$\begin{split} \bigcup_{\alpha \in \wedge} U_{\alpha} &\subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha \in \wedge} \operatorname{int}(\operatorname{cl}_{s^*g}(\operatorname{int}(U_{\alpha}))) \subseteq \operatorname{int}(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \wedge} \operatorname{cl}_{s^*g}(\operatorname{int}(U_{\alpha}))) \subseteq \operatorname{int}(\operatorname{cl}_{s^*g}(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \wedge} \operatorname{int}(U_{\alpha}))) \\ &\subseteq \operatorname{int}(\operatorname{cl}_{s^*g}(\operatorname{int}(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \wedge} U_{\alpha}))) \text{. Hence } \bigcup_{\alpha \in \wedge} U_{\alpha} \in \tau^{s^*g - \alpha} \text{.} \end{split}$$

Thus  $\tau^{s^{*g-\alpha}}$  is a topology on X .

**Propositions(2.18):** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and B be a subset of X. Then the following statements are equivalent:

i) B is s\*g- $\alpha$ -closed.

ii)  $\operatorname{cl}(\operatorname{int}_{s^*g}(\operatorname{cl}(B))) \subseteq B$ .

iii) There exists a closed subset F of X such that  $cl(int_{s^{*g}}(F)) \subseteq B \subseteq F$ .

**Proof:** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) . Since B is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -closed set in X  $\Rightarrow$  X – B is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set in X  $\Rightarrow$  X – B  $\subseteq$  int(cl<sub>s\*g</sub>(int(X – B)))  $\Rightarrow$  X – B  $\subseteq$  int(cl<sub>s\*g</sub>(X – cl(B))) . By Theorem ((1.5), vi) , we get X – int<sub>s\*g</sub>(cl(B)) = cl<sub>s\*g</sub>(X – cl(B)) . Hence X – B  $\subseteq$  int(X – int<sub>s\*g</sub>(cl(B)))  $\Rightarrow$ X – B  $\subseteq$  X – cl(int<sub>s\*g</sub>(cl(B)))  $\Rightarrow$  cl(int<sub>s\*g</sub>(cl(B)))  $\subseteq$  B . (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) .

Since  $cl(int_{s^*g}(cl(B))) \subseteq B$  and  $B \subseteq cl(B)$ , then  $cl(int_{s^*g}(cl(B))) \subseteq B \subseteq cl(B)$ . Put F = cl(B), thus there exists a closed subset F of X such that  $cl(int_{s^*g}(F)) \subseteq B \subseteq F$ . (iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i).

Suppose that there exists a closed subset F of X such that  $cl(int_{s^{*g}}(F)) \subseteq B \subseteq F$  . Hence

 $X-F \subseteq X-B \subseteq X-cl(int_{s^*g}(F)) = int(X-int_{s^*g}(F))$ . Since  $X-int_{s^*g}(F) = cl_{s^*g}(X-F)$ , then  $X-F \subseteq X-B \subseteq int(cl_{s^*g}(X-F))$ . Hence X-B is an  $s^*g-\alpha$ -open set in X. Thus B is an  $s^*g-\alpha$ -closed set in X.

**Definition(2.19):** A subset A of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called an s\*g- $\alpha$ -neighborhood of a point x in X if there exists an s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set U in X such that  $x \in U \subseteq A$ .

**Remark(2.20):** Since every open set is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set, then every neighborhood of x is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -neighborhood of x, but the converse is not true in general. In example (2.2), {a,b} is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -neighborhood of a point b, since  $b \in \{a,b\} \subseteq \{a,b\}$ . But {a,b} is not a neighborhood of a point b.

**Propositions(2.21):** A subset A of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is s\*g- $\alpha$ -open if and only if it is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -neighborhood of each of its points.

**Proof:**  $\Rightarrow$  If A is s\*g- $\alpha$ -open in X, then  $x \in A \subseteq A$  for each  $x \in A$ . Thus A is an s\*g- $\alpha$ neighborhood of each of its points .

**Conversely**, suppose that A is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -neighborhood of each of its points. Then for each  $x \in A$ , there exists an s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set  $U_x$  in X such that  $x \in U_x \subseteq A$ . Hence  $\bigcup U_x \subseteq A$ .

Since  $A \subseteq \bigcup_{x \in A} U_x$ , therefore  $A = \bigcup_{x \in A} U_x$ . Thus A is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set in X, since it is a union of s\*g- $\alpha$ -open sets.

**Proposition(2.22):** If A is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set in a topological space (X, $\tau$ ) and

 $A \subseteq B \subseteq int(A)$ , then B is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set in X.

**Proof:** Since A is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set in X, then by Proposition (2.15), there exists an open subset U of X such that  $U \subseteq A \subseteq int(cl_{s^*g}(U))$ . Since  $A \subseteq B \Rightarrow U \subseteq B$ . But

 $\operatorname{int}(A) \subseteq \operatorname{int}(\operatorname{cl}_{s^*\sigma}(U)) \Rightarrow U \subseteq B \subseteq \operatorname{int}(\operatorname{cl}_{s^*\sigma}(U))$ . Thus B is an  $s^*g$ - $\alpha$ -open set in X.

**Proposition(2.23):** If A is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -closed set in a topological space (X, $\tau$ ) and

 $cl(A) \subseteq B \subseteq A$ , then B is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -closed set in X.

**Proof:** Since  $X - A \subset X - B \subset X - cl(A) = int(X - A)$ , then by Proposition (2.22) X - B is an  $s^*g - \alpha$  -open set in X. Thus B is an  $s^*g - \alpha$  -closed set in X.

**Theorem(2.24):** A subset A of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is clopen (open and closed) if and only if A is  $s^{*}g^{-}\alpha$  -clopen ( $s^{*}g^{-}\alpha$  -open and  $s^{*}g^{-}\alpha$  -closed).

**Proof:**  $(\Rightarrow)$ . It is a obvious.

( $\Leftarrow$ ). Suppose that A is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -clopen set in X, then A is s\*g- $\alpha$ -open and s\*g- $\alpha$ -closed in X.

Hence  $A \subseteq int(cl_{s^{*g}}(int(A)))$  and  $cl(int_{s^{*g}}(cl(A))) \subseteq A$ . But by Theorem ((1.5), i, ii) we get,

 $cl_{s^{*}\sigma}(A) \subseteq cl(A)$  and  $int(A) \subseteq int_{s^{*}\sigma}(A)$ , thus :  $A \subset int(cl(int(A)))$  and  $cl(int(cl(A))) \subset A$ . Since  $int(A) \subseteq A \implies cl(int(A)) \subseteq cl(A)$ ----- (1) Since  $int(cl(int(A))) \subseteq cl(int(A))$ , thus ----- (2)  $A \subseteq int(cl(int(A))) \subseteq cl(int(A)) \Rightarrow cl(A) \subseteq cl(int(A))$ ----- (a) Therefore from (1) and (2), we get cl(int(A)) = cl(A)----- (3) Similarly, since  $A \subseteq cl(A) \Rightarrow int(A) \subseteq int(cl(A))$ Now,  $int(cl(A)) \subseteq cl(int(cl(A))) \subseteq A$ , thus  $int(cl(A)) \subseteq int(A)$ ----- (4) Therefore from (3) and (4), we get int(cl(A)) = int(A)----- (b) Since  $int(cl(A)) = int(A) \Longrightarrow cl(int(cl(A))) = cl(int(A)) = cl(A) (by (a))$ .

Since  $cl(int(cl(A))) \subseteq A$ , then  $cl(A) \subseteq A$ , but  $A \subseteq cl(A)$ , therefore A = cl(A), hence A is a closed set in X.

Similarly, since  $cl(int(A)) = cl(A) \implies int(cl(int(A))) = int(cl(A)) = int(A) (by (b))$ .

Since A  $\subseteq$  int(cl(int(A))), then A  $\subseteq$  int(A), but int(A)  $\subseteq$  A, therefore A = int(A), hence A is an open set in X. Thus A is a clopen set in X.

**Definition(2.25):** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $A \subseteq X$ . Then

i) The s\*g- $\alpha$ -closure of A, denoted by  $cl_{s*e\alpha}(A)$  is the intersection of all s\*g- $\alpha$ -closed subsets of X which contains A.

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ii) The s\*g- $\alpha$ -interior of A, denoted by  $int_{s*e\alpha}(A)$  is the union of all s\*g- $\alpha$ -open sets in X which are contained in A.

**Theorem(2.26):** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $A, B \subseteq X$ . Then:-

i)  $int(A) \subseteq int_{s^*ga}(A) \subseteq A$  and  $A \subseteq cl_{s^*ga}(A) \subseteq cl(A)$ .

ii)  $\operatorname{int}_{s^*e\alpha}(A)$  is an  $s^*g \cdot \alpha$  -open set in X and  $\operatorname{cl}_{s^*e\alpha}(A)$  is an  $s^*g \cdot \alpha$  -closed set in X.

iii) If  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $int_{s^*g\alpha}(A) \subseteq int_{s^*g\alpha}(B)$  and  $cl_{s^*g\alpha}(A) \subseteq cl_{s^*g\alpha}(B)$ .

iv) A is s\*g- $\alpha$ -open iff int<sub>s\*oq</sub> (A) = A and A is s\*g- $\alpha$ -closed iff cl<sub>s\*oq</sub> (A) = A.

v)  $\operatorname{int}_{s^*g\alpha}(A \cap B) = \operatorname{int}_{s^*g\alpha}(A) \cap \operatorname{int}_{s^*g\alpha}(B)$  and  $\operatorname{cl}_{s^*g\alpha}(A \cup B) = \operatorname{cl}_{s^*g\alpha}(A) \cup \operatorname{cl}_{s^*g\alpha}(B)$ .

vi)  $\operatorname{int}_{s^*g\alpha}(\operatorname{int}_{s^*g\alpha}(A)) = \operatorname{int}_{s^*g\alpha}(A)$  and  $\operatorname{cl}_{s^*g\alpha}(\operatorname{cl}_{s^*g\alpha}(A)) = \operatorname{cl}_{s^*g\alpha}(A)$ .

vii)  $x \in int_{s^*g\alpha}(A)$  iff there is an  $s^*g$ - $\alpha$ -open set U in X s.t  $x \in U \subseteq A$ .

viii)  $x \in cl_{s^*e\alpha}(A)$  iff for every  $s^*g \cdot \alpha$  -open set U containing x,  $U \cap A \neq \phi$ .

Proof: It is obvious .

**Proposition(2.27):** Let X and Y be topological spaces . If  $A \subseteq X$  and  $B \subseteq Y$ . Then  $A \times B$ is an s\*g-  $\alpha$ -open set in X × Y if and only if A and B are s\*g- $\alpha$ -open sets in X and Y respectively. **Proof:**  $\Leftarrow$  Since A and B are s\*g- $\alpha$ -open sets in X and Y respectively, then by definition (2.1), we get  $A \subseteq int(cl_{s^*g}(int(A)))$  and  $B \subseteq int(cl_{s^*g}(int(B)))$ . Hence

 $A \times B \subseteq int(cl_{s^{*g}}(int(A))) \times int(cl_{s^{*g}}(int(B))) = int(cl_{s^{*g}}(int(A)) \times cl_{s^{*g}}(int(B))) \quad . \quad Since$  $cl_{s^{*g}}(A) \times cl_{s^{*g}}(B) = cl_{s^{*g}}(A \times B)$ , then  $A \times B \subseteq int(cl_{s^{*g}}(int(A \times B)))$ . Thus  $A \times B$  is an s\*g- $\alpha$  open set in X×Y. By the same way, we can prove that A and B are s\*g- $\alpha$ -open sets in X and Y respectively if  $A \times B$  is an  $s^*g$ - $\alpha$ -open set in  $X \times Y$ .

# **3**. $s^{*}g^{-\alpha}$ - Continuous Functions and $s^{*}g^{-\alpha}$ - Irresolute Functions

In this section, we introduce a new class of functions, namely,  $s*g-\alpha$ -continuous functions and  $s^*g - \alpha$ -irresolute functions in topological spaces and study some of their properties.

**Definition(3.1):** A function  $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$  is called s\*g- $\alpha$ -continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set in X for every open set V in Y.

**Proposition(3.2):** A function  $f: (X,\tau) \to (Y,\sigma)$  is s\*g- $\alpha$ -continuous iff  $f^{-1}(V)$  is an s\*g- $\alpha$ closed set in X for every closed set V in Y.

Proof: It is Obvious .

**Proposition(3.3):** Every continuous function is  $s^*g - \alpha$ -continuous.

**Proof:** Follows from the definition (3.1) and the fact that every open set is  $s^*g - \alpha$  -open. **Remark(3.4):** The converse of Proposition (3.3) may not be true in general as shown in the following example:

**Example(3.5):** Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}, \tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}\} \& \sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, c\}\} \Rightarrow$ 

$$\tau^{s^{*g-\alpha}} = \{\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{\phi}, \{\mathbf{a}\}, \mathbf{\phi}\}$$

 $\{a,b\},\{a,c\}\}$ . Define  $f:(X,\tau) \rightarrow (Y,\sigma)$  by : f(a) = a, f(b) = b &  $f(c) = c \implies f$  is not continuous, but f is s\*g- $\alpha$ -continuous, since  $f^{-1}(Y) = X$ ,  $f^{-1}(\phi) = \phi$ ,  $f^{-1}(\{a,c\}) = \{a,c\}$ , and  $f^{-1}(\{a\}) = \{a\}$  are  $s^*g - \alpha$ -open sets in X.

**Remark(3.6):** s\*g-continuous functions and s\*g- $\alpha$ -continuous functions are in general independent. Consider the following examples:-

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**Example(3.7):** Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \phi\}$  &  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{a\}\} \Rightarrow \tau^{s^*g - \alpha} = \tau$  and  $\tau^{s^*g} = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$ . Define  $f : (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$  by : f(a) = a, f(b) = b &  $f(c) = c \Rightarrow f$  is s\*g-continuous, but f is not s\*g- $\alpha$ -continuous, since  $\{a\}$  is open set in Y, but  $f^{-1}(\{a\}) = \{a\}$  is not s\*g- $\alpha$ -open in X. Also, in Example (3.5) f is s\*g- $\alpha$ -

continuous, but is not s\*g-continuous , since  $\{a,c\}$  is open set in Y , but  $f^{-1}(\{a,c\}) = \{a,c\}$  is not s\*g-open in X .

**Theorem(3.8):** Every s\*g- $\alpha$ -continuous function is  $\alpha$ -continuous (resp.  $\alpha$ g-continuous , ga-continuous , pre-continuous , b-continuous ,  $\beta$ -continuous ) function .

**Proof:** Follows from the Theorem (2.5).

**Remark(3.9):** The converse of Theorem (3.8) may not be true in general. Observe that in Example (3.7) f is pre-continuous (resp. b-continuous,  $\beta$ -continuous,  $\alpha$ -continuous,  $\alpha$ -continuous) function, but f is not s\*g- $\alpha$ -continuous.

**Theorem(3.10):** Every s\*g- $\alpha$ -continuous function is semi-continuous function and gs-continuous function.

**Proof:** Follows from the Theorem (2.8).

**Remark(3.11):** The converse of Theorem (3.10) may not be true in general as shown in the following example:

**Example(3.12):** Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}\$  &  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, c\}\}\$ . Define  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  by : f(a) = a, f(b) = b &  $f(c) = c \Longrightarrow$  f is semi-continuous and gs-continuous, but f is not s\*g- $\alpha$ -continuous, since  $\{a, c\}$  is open in Y, but  $f^{-1}(\{a, c\}) = \{a, c\}$  is not s\*g- $\alpha$ -open in X, since  $\{a, c\} \not\subset int(cl_{s*g}(int(\{a, c\}))) = int(\{a, c\}) = \{a\}$ .

**Remark(3.13):** Pre-continuous functions and  $\alpha$  g-continuous functions are in general independent. Consider the following examples:-

**Example(3.14):** Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, c\}\}$  &  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Define  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  by : f(a) = a, f(b) = c &  $f(c) = b \implies f$  is  $\alpha$  g-continuous, but f is not pre-continuous, since  $\{b\}$  is open set in Y, but  $f^{-1}(\{b\}) = \{c\}$  is not pre-open set in X, since

 $\{c\} \not\subset int(cl(\{c\})) = int(\{b,c\}) = \phi.$ 

**Example(3.15):** Let  $X = Y = \Re$ ,  $\tau = \mu$  = usual topology &  $\sigma = \{\Re, \phi, \{Q\}\}$ . Define  $f : (\Re, \mu) \to (\Re, \sigma)$  by : f(x) = x for each  $x \in \Re \Rightarrow f$  is not  $\alpha$  g-continuous, since Q is open in Y, but  $f^{-1}(\{Q\}) = Q$  is not  $\alpha$  g-open set in X. But f is pre-continuous.

**Remark(3.16):** g-continuous functions and  $g\alpha$ -continuous functions are in general independent. Consider the following examples:-

**Example(3.17):** Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}\}$  &  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{b\}\}$ . Define  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  by : f(a) = a, f(b) = c &  $f(c) = b \Rightarrow f$  is g-continuous, but f is not  $g \alpha$ -continuous, since  $\{b\}$  is open set in Y, but  $f^{-1}(\{b\}) = \{c\}$  is not  $g \alpha$ -open set in X, since  $\{c\}^c = \{a, b\}$  is not  $g \alpha$ -closed set in X.

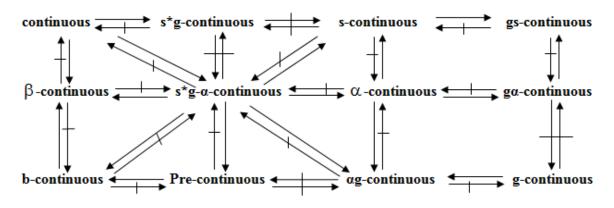
**Example(3.18):** Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, c\}\}$  &  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{b\}\}$ . Define  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  by : f(a) = b, f(b) = b &  $f(c) = a \Rightarrow f$  is  $g\alpha$ -continuous, but f is not g-continuous, since  $\{b\}$  is open set in Y, but  $f^{-1}(\{b\}) = \{a, b\}$  is not g-open set in X, since  $\{a, b\}^c = \{c\}$  is not g-closed in X.

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The following diagram shows the relationships between  $s^*g-\alpha$ -continuous functions and some other continuous functions:



**Proposition(3.19):** If  $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$  is  $s^*g - \alpha$ -continuous, then  $f(cl_{s^*g\alpha}(A)) \subseteq cl(f(A))$  for every subset A of X.

**Proof:** Since  $f(A) \subseteq cl(f(A)) \Rightarrow A \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(f(A)))$ . Since cl(f(A)) is a closed set in Y and f is s\*g- $\alpha$ -continuous, then by (3.2)  $f^{-1}(cl(f(A)))$  is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -closed set in X containing A. Hence  $cl_{s*g\alpha}(A) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(f(A)))$ . Therefore  $f(cl_{s*g\alpha}(A)) \subseteq cl(f(A))$ .

**Theorem(3.20:** Let  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be a function . Then the following statements are equivalent:-

i) f is s\*g- $\alpha$ -continuous.

- ii) For each point x in X and each open set V in Y with  $f(x) \in V$ , there is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set U in X such that  $x \in U$  and  $f(U) \subseteq V$ .
- iii) For each subset A of X,  $f(cl_{s^*g\alpha}(A)) \subseteq cl(f(A))$ .

iv) For each subset B of Y,  $cl_{s^*g\alpha}(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(B))$ .

**Proof:** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii). Let  $f: X \to Y$  be an s\*g- $\alpha$ -continuous function and V be an open set in Y s.t  $f(x) \in V$ . To prove that, there is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set U in X s.t  $x \in U$  and  $f(U) \subseteq V$ . Since f is s\*g- $\alpha$ -continuous, then  $f^{-1}(V)$  is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set in X s.t  $x \in f^{-1}(V)$ . Let  $U = f^{-1}(V) \Rightarrow f(U) = f(f^{-1}(V)) \subseteq V \Rightarrow f(U) \subseteq V$ .

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i). To prove that  $f: X \to Y$  is  $s^*g \cdot \alpha$ -continuous. Let V be any open set in Y. To prove that  $f^{-1}(V)$  is an  $s^*g \cdot \alpha$ -open set in X. Let  $x \in f^{-1}(V) \Rightarrow f(x) \in V$ . By hypothesis there is an  $s^*g \cdot \alpha$ -open set U in X s.t  $x \in U$  and  $f(U) \subseteq V \Rightarrow x \in U \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$ . Thus by Theorem ((2.26),vii)  $f^{-1}(V)$  is an  $s^*g \cdot \alpha$ -open set in X. Hence  $f: X \to Y$  is an  $s^*g \cdot \alpha$ -continuous function.

 $(ii) \rightarrow (iii).$ 

Suppose that (ii) holds and let  $y \in f(cl_{s^*g\alpha}(A))$  and let V be any open neighborhood of y in Y. Since  $y \in f(cl_{s^*g\alpha}(A)) \Rightarrow \exists x \in cl_{s^*g\alpha}(A)$  s.t f(x) = y. Since  $f(x) \in V$ , then by (ii)  $\exists$  an  $s^*g$ - $\alpha$ -open set U in X s.t  $x \in U$  and  $f(U) \subseteq V$ . Since  $x \in cl_{s^*g\alpha}(A)$ , then by Theorem ((2.26),viii)  $U \cap A \neq \phi$  and hence  $f(A) \cap V \neq \phi$ . Therefore we have  $y \in cl(f(A))$ . Hence  $f(cl_{s^*g\alpha}(A)) \subseteq cl(f(A))$ .

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Let  $x \in X$  and V be any open set in Y containing f(x). Let  $A = f^{-1}(V^c) \Rightarrow x \notin A$ . Since  $f(cl_{s^*g\alpha}(A)) \subseteq cl(f(A)) \subseteq V^c \Rightarrow cl_{s^*g\alpha}(A) \subseteq f^{-1}(V^c) = A$ . Since  $x \notin A \Rightarrow x \notin cl_{s^*g\alpha}(A)$  and

by Theorem ((2.26),viii) there exists an s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set U containing x such that  $U \cap A = \phi$ and hence  $f(U) \subseteq f(A^c) \subseteq V$ .

 $(\mathrm{iii}) \rightarrow (\mathrm{iv}) \, .$ 

Suppose that (iii) holds and let B be any subset of Y. Replacing A by  $f^{-1}(B)$  we get from (iii)  $f(cl_{s^*g\alpha}(f^{-1}(B))) \subseteq cl(f(f^{-1}(B))) \subseteq cl(B)$ . Hence  $cl_{s^*g\alpha}(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(B))$ . (iv)  $\rightarrow$  (iii).

Suppose that (iv) holds and let B = f(A) where A is a subset of X. Then we get from (iv)  $cl_{s^*g\alpha}(A) \subseteq cl_{s^*g\alpha}(f^{-1}(f(A))) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(f(A)))$ . Therefore  $f(cl_{s^*g\alpha}(A)) \subseteq cl(f(A))$ .

**Definition(3.21):** A function  $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$  is called  $s^*g \cdot \alpha$  -irresolute if the inverse image of every  $s^*g \cdot \alpha$  -open set in Y is an  $s^*g \cdot \alpha$  -open set in X.

**Proposition(3.22):** Every s\*g- $\alpha$ -irresolute function is s\*g- $\alpha$ -continuous.

**Proof:** It is Obvious .

**Remark(3.23):** The converse of Proposition (3.22) may not be true in general as shown in the following example:

**Example(3.24):** Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$  &

 $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, c\}\} \implies$ 

 $\tau^{s^{*g-\alpha}} = \tau \text{ and } \sigma^{s^{*g-\alpha}} = \{Y, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\} \text{ . Define } f : (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma) \text{ by } \text{ : } f(a) = a \text{ ,}$ 

 $f(b) = b \& f(c) = c \Longrightarrow f \text{ is } s^*g \cdot \alpha \text{ -continuous, but } f \text{ is not } s^*g \cdot \alpha \text{ -irresolute since } \{a, b\} \text{ is an } s^*g \cdot \alpha \text{ -open set in } Y$ , but  $f^{-1}(\{a, b\}) = \{a, b\} \text{ is not } s^*g \cdot \alpha \text{ -open set in } X$ .

**Remark(3.25):** continuous functions and  $s*g-\alpha$ -irresolute functions are in general independent

Consider the following examples:-

**Example(3.26 ):** Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$  &  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{a\}\}$ . Also ,

 $\tau^{s^*g^{-\alpha}} = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\} \& \ \sigma^{s^*g^{-\alpha}} = \{Y, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\} \ \text{Define} \ f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma) \ \text{by}: f(a) = a,$ 

 $f(b) = b \& f(c) = c \Longrightarrow f$  is continuous, but f is not s\*g- $\alpha$ -irresolute, since {a,b} is s\*g- $\alpha$ -open

set in Y, but  $f^{-1}(\{a,b\}) = \{a,b\}$  is not  $s^*g - \alpha$ -open set in X.

**Example(3.27 ):** Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}\}$  &  $\sigma = \{Y, \phi, \{a, b\}\}$ . Also,  $\tau^{s^*g-\alpha} = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}\$  &  $\sigma^{s^*g-\alpha} = \{Y, \phi, \{a, b\}\}$ . Define  $f : (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$  by :

f(a) = a, f(b) = b &  $f(c) = c \Rightarrow f$  is s\*g- $\alpha$ -irresolute, but f is not continuous, Since {a,b} is open in Y, but  $f^{-1}(\{a,b\}) = \{a,b\}$  is not open in X.

**Theorem(3.28):** Let  $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$  be a function . Then the following statements are equivalent:-

(i) f is  $s^{*}g - \alpha$  -irresolute.

(ii) For each  $x \in X$  and each  $s^*g \cdot \alpha$  -neighborhood V of f(x) in Y, there is an  $s^*g \cdot \alpha$  - neighborhood

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U of x in X such that  $f(U) \subseteq V$ .

(iii) The inverse image of every  $s^*g - \alpha$  -closed subset of Y is an  $s^*g - \alpha$  -closed subset of X. **Proof:** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii). Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be an s\*g- $\alpha$ -irresolute function and V be an s\*g- $\alpha$ neighborhood of f(x) in Y. To prove that, there is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -neighborhood U of x in X such that  $f(U) \subseteq V$ . Since f is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -irresolute then,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -neighborhood of x in X. Let  $U = f^{-1}(V) \Rightarrow f(U) = f(f^{-1}(V)) \subseteq V \Rightarrow f(U) \subseteq V$ .

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i). To prove that  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is s\*g- $\alpha$ -irresolute. Let V be an s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set in Y. To prove that  $f^{-1}(V)$  is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set in X. Let  $x \in f^{-1}(V) \Rightarrow f(x) \in V \Rightarrow V$  is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -neighborhood of f(x). By hypothesis there is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -neighborhood U<sub>x</sub> of x such that  $f(U_x) \subseteq V \Rightarrow U_x \subseteq f^{-1}(V), \forall x \in f^{-1}(V) \Rightarrow \exists an s^*g - \alpha \text{ -open set } W_x \text{ of } x \text{ such that}$  $W_{x} \subseteq U_{x} \subseteq f^{-1}(V), \forall x \in f^{-1}(V) \Rightarrow \bigcup_{x \in f^{-1}(V)} W_{x} \subseteq f^{-1}(V). \text{ Since } f^{-1}(V) = \bigcup_{x \in f^{-1}(V)} \{x\} \subseteq \bigcup_{x \in f^{-1}(V)} W_{x}$  $\Rightarrow f^{-1}(V) = \bigcup_{x \in f^{-1}(V)} W_{x} \Rightarrow f^{-1}(V) \text{ is an } s^{*}g^{-}\alpha \text{ -open set in } Y, \text{ since its a union of } s^{*}g^{-}\alpha \text{ -open set in } Y$ 

sets. Thus  $f: X \to Y$  is an s\*g- $\alpha$ -irresolute function.

(i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iii). It is a obvious.

**Corollary(3.29):** Let  $(X_1, \tau_1)$  and  $(X_2, \tau_2)$  be topological spaces. Then the projection functions

 $\pi_1: X_1 \times X_2 \to X_1$  and  $\pi_2: X_1 \times X_2 \to X_2$  are s\*g- $\alpha$ -irresolute functions.

**Proof:** Let U be an s\*g- $\alpha$ -open set in X<sub>1</sub>, then  $\pi_1^{-1}(U) = U \times X_2$ . Since U is s\*g- $\alpha$ -open in  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  is s\*g-  $\alpha$  -open in  $X_2$  , then by Proposition (2.27)  $U \times X_2$  is s\*g-  $\alpha$  -open in  $X_1 \times X_2$ . Thus

 $\pi_1: X_1 \times X_2 \to X_1$  is an  $s^*g\text{-}\alpha$  -irresolute function . Similaly we can prove that  $\pi_2: X_1 \times X_2 \to X_2$ 

is  $s^{*}g - \alpha$ -irresolute function.

However the following theorem holds . The proof is easy and hence omitted .

**Theorem(3.30):** If  $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$  and  $f: (Y, \sigma) \to (Z, \eta)$  are functions, then:-

i) If f and g are both s\*g- $\alpha$ -irresolute functions, then so is  $g \circ f$ .

ii) If f is s\*g- $\alpha$ -irresolute and g is s\*g- $\alpha$ -continuous, then  $g \circ f$  is s\*g- $\alpha$ -continuous.

iii) If f is s\*g- $\alpha$ -continuous and g is continuous, then  $g \circ f$  is s\*g- $\alpha$ -continuous.

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# حول المجموعات المفتوحة - $\mathbf{g}$ - $\mathbf{g}$ في الفضاءات التبولوجية

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## الخلاصة

قدمنا في هذا البحث صنفا جديدا من المجموعات أسميناها بالمجموعات المفتوحة من النمط -  $g = x^*$ -  $g = \alpha$  في من ثم اثبتنا ان عائلة كل المجموعات الجزئية المفتوحة من النمط -  $g = g = \alpha$  من الفضاء التبولوجي (X,  $\tau$ ) تشكل تبولوجي على X الذي هو انعم من  $\tau$ . كذلك در سنا المكافئات والخواص الأساسية المجموعات المفتوحة من النمط -  $g = g = \alpha$  والمجموعات المغلقة من النمط -  $g = g = \alpha$ . فضلا عن ذلك استخدمنا هذه المجموعة في تعريف ودر اسة صنف جديد من الدوال في الفضاءات التبولوجية أسميناه بالدوال المستمرة من النمط -  $g = g = g = \alpha$  والدوال المحيرة من النمط -  $g = g = \alpha$ 

**الكلمات المفتاحية:** المجموعات المفتوحة من النمط --α s\*g ، المجموعات المغلقة من النمط -α s\*g - الدوال المستمرة من النمط--α , s\*g الدوال المحيرة من النمط--α . s\*g