



Some Decompositions of πg -Continuity

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Abstract : In this paper, we introduce the notions of E_r -sets and E_r^* -sets in topological spaces and investigate some of their properties and using these notions we obtain three decompositions of πg -continuity.

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1 Introduction and Preliminaries

In 1968, Zaitsev [15] introduced the concept of π -closed sets and in 1970, Levine [7] initiated the study of so called g -closed sets in topological spaces. The concept of g -continuity was introduced and studied by Balachandran et. al. in 1991 [3]. Dontchev and Noiri [4] defined the notions of πg -closed sets and πg -continuity in topological spaces. In 1993, Palaniappan and Rao [10] introduced the notions of regular generalized closed (rg -closed) sets and rg -continuity in topological spaces. In 2000, Sundaram and Rajamani [13] obtained three different decompositions of rg -continuity by providing two types of weaker forms of continuity, namely C_r -continuity and C_r^* -continuity. In this paper, we introduce the notions of E_r -sets and E_r^* -sets to obtain three decompositions of πg -continuity by providing two types of weaker forms of continuity, namely E_r -continuity and E_r^* -continuity.

Let (X, τ) be a topological space and also $\text{cl}(A)$ and $\text{int}(A)$ denote the closure of A and the interior of A in (X, τ) , respectively.

Definition 1.1. A subset A of (X, τ) is said to be

(i) α -open [9] if $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)))$,

(ii) preopen [8] if $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$,

(iii) regular open [12] if $A = \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$,

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- (iv) π -open [15] if the finite union of regular open sets,
- (v) πg -open [4] iff $F \subseteq \text{int}(A)$ whenever $F \subseteq A$ and F is π -closed in (X, τ) ,
- (vi) πgp -open [11] iff $F \subseteq \text{pint}(A)$ whenever $F \subseteq A$ and F is π -closed in (X, τ) ,
- (vii) $\pi g\alpha$ -open [2] iff $F \subseteq \alpha \text{int}(A)$ whenever $F \subseteq A$ and F is π -closed in (X, τ) ,
- (viii) a t -set [14] if $\text{int}(A) = \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$,
- (ix) an α^* -set [5] if $\text{int}(A) = \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)))$.

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

The preinterior $\text{pint}(A)$ (resp. α -interior, $\alpha \text{int}(A)$) of A is the union of all preopen sets (resp. α -open sets) contained in A . The α -closure $\alpha \text{cl}(A)$ of A is the intersection of all α -closed sets containing A .

Lemma 1.2 ([1]). *If A is a subset of X , then*

- (i) $\text{pint}(A) = A \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$,
- (ii) $\alpha \text{int}(A) = A \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)))$ and $\alpha \text{cl}(A) = A \cup \text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)))$.

Remark 1.3. *The following hold in a topological space.*

- (i) Every πg -open set is πgp -open but not conversely [11].
- (ii) Every πg -open set is $\pi g\alpha$ -open but not conversely [2].

2 $\pi g\alpha$ -open Sets

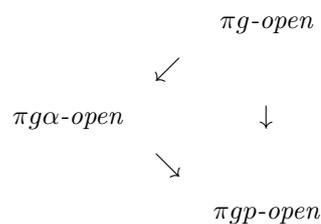
Proposition 2.1. *For a subset of a topological space, the following hold: Every $\pi g\alpha$ -open set is πgp -open.*

Proof. It follows from the definitions. □

Remark 2.2. *The converse of Proposition 2.1 is not true, in general.*

Example 2.3. *Let $X = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$ and $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{e\}, \{a, e\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{c, d, e\}, \{a, c, d, e\}, \{b, c, d, e\}, X\}$. Then $\{b, c, e\}$ is πgp -open set but not $\pi g\alpha$ -open.*

Remark 2.4. *By Proposition 2.1 and Remark 1.3, we have the following diagram. In this diagram, there is no implication which is reversible as shown by examples above.*



3 E_r -sets and E_r^* -sets

Definition 3.1. A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is called

- (i) a E_r -set if $A = U \cap V$, where U is πg -open and V is a t -set,
- (ii) a E_r^* -set if $A = U \cap V$, where U is πg -open and V is an α^* -set.

We have the following proposition:

Proposition 3.2. For a subset of a topological space, the following hold:

- (i) Every t -set is an α^* -set [5] and a E_r -set.
- (ii) Every α^* -set is a E_r^* -set.
- (iii) Every E_r -set is a E_r^* -set.
- (iv) Every πg -open set is a E_r -set.

From Proposition 3.2, We have the following diagram.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \pi g\text{-open set} & \longrightarrow & E_r\text{-set} & \longleftarrow & t\text{-set} \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 & & E_r^*\text{-set} & \longleftarrow & \alpha^*\text{-set}
 \end{array}$$

Remark 3.3. The converses of implications in Diagram II need not be true as the following examples show.

Example 3.4. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$ and $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{e\}, \{a, e\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{c, d, e\}, \{a, c, d, e\}, \{b, c, d, e\}, X\}$. Then $\{b\}$ is E_r -set but not πg -open.

Example 3.5. In Example 3.4, $\{c\}$ is E_r -set but not t -set.

Example 3.6. In Example 3.4, $\{b, c\}$ is E_r^* -set but not E_r -set.

Example 3.7. In Example 3.4, $\{c\}$ is α^* -set but not t -set.

Example 3.8. In Example 3.4, $\{c, d, e\}$ is E_r^* -set but not α^* -set.

Proposition 3.9. A subset A of X is πg -open if and only if it is both πgp -open and a E_r -set in X .

Proof. Necessity is trivial. We prove the sufficiency. Assume that A is πgp -open and a E_r -set in X . Let $F \subseteq A$ and F is π -closed in X . Since A is a E_r -set in X , $A = U \cap V$, where U is πg -open and V is a t -set. Since A is πgp -open, $F \subseteq \text{pint}(A) = A \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(A)) = (U \cap V) \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(U \cap V)) \subseteq (U \cap V) \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(U) \cap \text{cl}(V)) = (U \cap V) \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(U)) \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(V))$. This implies $F \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(V)) = \text{int}(V)$ since V is a t -set. Since F is π -closed, U is πg -open and $F \subseteq U$, we have $F \subseteq \text{int}(U)$. Therefore, $F \subseteq \text{int}(U) \cap \text{int}(V) = \text{int}(U \cap V) = \text{int}(A)$. Hence A is πg -open in X . \square

Corollary 3.10. A subset A of X is πg -open if and only if it is both $\pi g\alpha$ -open and a E_r -set in X .

Proof. This is an immediate consequence of Proposition 3.9. \square

Proposition 3.11. *A subset A of X is πg -open if and only if it is both $\pi g\alpha$ -open and a E_r^* -set in X .*

Proof. Necessity is trivial. We prove the sufficiency. Assume that A is $\pi g\alpha$ -open and a E_r^* -set in X . Let $F \subseteq A$ and F is π -closed in X . Since A is a E_r^* -set in X , $A = U \cap V$, where U is πg -open and V is an α^* -set. Now since F is π -closed, $F \subseteq U$ and U is πg -open, $F \subseteq \text{int}(U)$. Since A is $\pi g\alpha$ -open, $F \subseteq \alpha \text{int}(A) = A \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(A))) = (U \cap V) \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(U \cap V))) = (U \cap V) \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(U) \cap \text{int}(V))) \subseteq (U \cap V) \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(U)) \cap \text{cl}(\text{int}(V))) = (U \cap V) \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(U))) \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(V))) = (U \cap V) \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(U))) \cap \text{int}(V)$, since V is an α^* -set. This implies $F \subseteq \text{int}(V)$. Therefore, $F \subseteq \text{int}(U) \cap \text{int}(V) = \text{int}(U \cap V) = \text{int}(A)$. Hence A is πg -open in X . \square

Remark 3.12.

(i) *The concepts of πgp -open sets and E_r -sets are independent of each other.*

(ii) *The concepts of $\pi g\alpha$ -open sets and E_r -sets are independent of each other.*

(iii) *The concepts of $\pi g\alpha$ -open sets and E_r^* -sets are independent of each other.*

Example 3.13. *Let $X = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$ and $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{e\}, \{a, e\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{c, d, e\}, \{a, c, d, e\}, \{b, c, d, e\}, X\}$. Then $\{b, c, e\}$ is πgp -open but not E_r -set and $\{b, e\}$ is E_r -set but not πgp -open.*

Example 3.14. *Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$. Then $\{a, d\}$ is E_r -set but not $\pi g\alpha$ -open set. Also $\{a, b, d\}$ is an $\pi g\alpha$ -open set but not E_r -set.*

Example 3.15. *In Example 3.14, $\{a, d\}$ is E_r^* -set but not $\pi g\alpha$ -open set and $\{a, b, d\}$ is an $\pi g\alpha$ -open set but not E_r^* -set.*

4 Decompositions of πg -continuity

Definition 4.1. *A mapping $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be πg -continuous [4] (resp. πgp -continuous [11], $\pi g\alpha$ -continuous [2], E_r -continuous and E_r^* -continuous) if $f^{-1}(V)$ is πg -open (resp. πgp -open, $\pi g\alpha$ -open, E_r -set and E_r^* -set) in (X, τ) for every open set V in (Y, σ) .*

From Propositions 3.9 and 3.11 and Corollary 3.10 we have the following decompositions of πg -continuity.

Theorem 4.2. *For a mapping $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$, the following properties are equivalent:*

(i) *f is πg -continuous;*

(ii) *f is πgp -continuous and E_r -continuous;*

(iii) *f is $\pi g\alpha$ -continuous and E_r -continuous;*

(iv) *f is $\pi g\alpha$ -continuous and E_r^* -continuous.*

Remark 4.3.

(i) *The concepts of πgp -continuity and E_r -continuity are independent of each other.*

(ii) *The concepts of $\pi g\alpha$ -continuity and E_r -continuity are independent of each other.*

(iii) The concepts of $\pi g\alpha$ -continuity and E_r^* -continuity are independent of each other.

Example 4.4.

(i) Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{e\}, \{a, e\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{c, d, e\}, \{a, c, d, e\}, \{b, c, d, e\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{b, c, e\}, Y\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be the identity function. Then f is πgp -continuous but not E_r -continuous.

(ii) Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{e\}, \{a, e\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{c, d, e\}, \{a, c, d, e\}, \{b, c, d, e\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a, b\}, Y\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be the identity function. Then f is E_r -continuous but not πgp -continuous.

Example 4.5.

(i) Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a, d\}, Y\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be the identity function. Then f is E_r -continuous but not $\pi g\alpha$ -continuous.

(ii) Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a, b, d\}, Y\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be the identity function. Then f is $\pi g\alpha$ -continuous but not E_r -continuous.

Example 4.6.

(i) Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a, d\}, Y\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be the identity function. Then f is E_r^* -continuous but not $\pi g\alpha$ -continuous.

(ii) Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a, b, d\}, Y\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be the identity function. Then f is $\pi g\alpha$ -continuous but not E_r^* -continuous.

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