

On the Topology of δ_ω -Open Sets and Related Topics

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Abstract

The main purpose of this paper is to study the notion of the δ_ω -open sets defined by Al-Jarrah et al via δ_ω -closure operator in [4]. We give various properties of the notions of δ_ω -closure operator and δ_ω -open set. Also, we introduce the notions of δ_ω -continuity, ω - δ -continuity and weakly δ_ω -continuity by means of δ_ω -open sets [4]. Furthermore, we obtain several relationships, examples and counter-examples related to new classes of functions.

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1. Introduction

The forms of weak and strong of the notion of open set in topological spaces have been defined and studied by many authors. For instance, in 1982, Hdeib [9] introduced the concept of ω -open set which is weaker than the concept of open set in topological spaces. Also, they proved that the family of all ω -open sets in a space X is a topology which is weaker than the old one. Recently, Al-Zoubi and Al-Nashef [5] have advanced and studied the notion of ω -open set. In 2017, Al Ghour [2], defined the concept of θ_ω -open set which is stronger than the concept of open set. They studied some of its basic properties and obtained characterizations. Moreover, they showed that the family of all θ_ω -open sets in a space X is a topology which is stronger than the old one.

In this paper, we study various properties of the notion of δ_ω -open set defined by Al-Jarrah et al [4]. Although this notion is weaker than the notion of δ -open set defined by Velićko [15], it is stronger than the notion of open set. Also, we define and study the notion of δ_ω -continuous which is weaker than θ_ω -continuous defined by Al Ghour [2]. Furthermore, we obtain several characterizations of δ_ω -continuous functions and investigate their some fundamental properties. Finally, we investigate the relationships among the notions of weakly δ_ω -continuous, ω - δ -continuous and separation axioms.

2. Preliminaries

Throughout this present paper, (X, τ) and (Y, σ) (briefly X and Y) represent topological spaces. For a subset A of a space X , $cl(A)$ and $int(A)$ denote the closure of A and the interior of A , respectively. The family of all closed (resp. open, clopen) sets of (X, τ) is denoted $C(X)$ (resp. $O(X)$ or τ , $CO(X)$) and the family of all closed (resp. open) sets of X containing a point x of X is denoted by $C(X, x)$ (resp. $O(X, x)$). The cocountable topology on X , τ_{coc} ; the topology whose open sets are the empty set and complements of subsets of X which are at most countable. The cofinite topology on X , τ_{cof} ; the topology whose open sets are the empty set and complements of subsets of X which are at most finite. The indiscrete topology on X , τ_{ind} ; the usual topology on \mathbb{R} , τ_u . We recall the following definitions which will be used throughout this paper.

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

(a) *regular open* [14] if $A = int(cl(A))$. The complement of a regular open set is called *regular closed*. The family of all regular open sets is denoted by $RO(X)$. A point $x \in X$ is said to be the δ -cluster point [14] of A if $int(cl(U)) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ for each open neighbourhood U of x . The set of all δ -cluster points of A is called the δ -closure of A and is denoted by $\delta-cl(A)$. If $A = \delta-cl(A)$, then A is called δ -closed [14]. The complement of a δ -closed set is called δ -open. The set $\{x | (\exists U \in O(X, x))(int(cl(U)) \subseteq A)\}$ is called the δ -interior of A and is denoted by $\delta-int(A)$. The family of all δ -open sets of (X, τ) is a topology on X and is denoted by τ_δ .

(b) ω -open [9] if for every $x \in A$ there exists an open set U containing x such that $U \setminus A$ is countable. The complement of an ω -open set is said to be ω -closed [9]. The intersection of all ω -closed sets containing A is called the ω -closure of A and is denoted by $\omega\text{-cl}(A)$. The family of all ω -open (resp. ω -closed) sets in (X, τ) is a topology on X and is denoted by τ_ω (resp. $\omega C(X)$).

Definition 2.2. A point $x \in X$ is said to be the θ -cluster point [15] of A if $cl(U) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ for each open neighbourhood U of x . The set of all θ -cluster points of A is called the θ -closure of A and is denoted by $\theta\text{-cl}(A)$. If $A = \theta\text{-cl}(A)$, then A is called θ -closed [15]. The complement of a θ -closed set is called θ -open. The set $\{x | (\exists U \in O(X, x))(cl(U) \subseteq A)\}$ is called the θ -interior of A and is denoted by $\theta\text{-int}(A)$. The family of all θ -open sets of (X, τ) is a topology on X and is denoted by τ_θ .

Lemma 2.3. [5] A subset A of a space X is ω -open iff for each $x \in A$ there exists $U \in \tau$ such that $x \in U$ and $U \setminus A$ is countable.

Corollary 2.4. [5] A subset A of a space X is ω -open iff for each $x \in A$ there exists $U \in \tau$ and a countable set C such that $x \in U \setminus C \subseteq A$.

Corollary 2.5. [5] If X is a countable set then in the space X every subset is ω -open.

Definition 2.6. Let (X, τ) be a topological space. Then the space X is called:

- (a) Locally indiscrete [10] if $\tau = RO(X)$.
- (b) Locally countable [13] if for each $x \in X$, there exists $U \in \tau$ such that $x \in U$ and U is countable.
- (c) Anti-locally countable [13] if for each $U \in \tau \setminus \{\emptyset\}$ is uncountable.
- (d) ω -regular [1] if for each closed set $F \subseteq X$ and $x \in X \setminus F$, there exist $U \in \tau$ and $V \in \tau_\omega$ such that $x \in U$, $F \subseteq V$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$.
- (e) ω -locally indiscrete [2] if for every open set in X is ω -closed.

Lemma 2.7. (a) [2] Every locally indiscrete topological space is ω -locally indiscrete.

(b) [3] Every locally countable topological space is ω -locally indiscrete.

(c) [1] If X is anti-locally countable space, then for all $A \in \tau_\omega$, $\omega\text{-cl}(A) = cl(A)$.

(d) [1] A topological space X is ω -regular iff for each $U \in \tau$ and each $x \in U$ there is $V \in \tau$ such that $x \in V \subseteq \omega\text{-cl}(V) \subseteq U$.

(e) [2] A topological space X is locally indiscrete iff every open set in X is closed.

Definition 2.8. Let A be a subset of a topological space (X, τ) .

(a) A point $x \in X$ is in the θ_ω -closure [2] of A ($x \in \theta_\omega\text{-cl}(A)$) iff $\omega\text{-cl}(U) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ for any $U \in \tau$ with $x \in U$.

(b) A set A is called θ_ω -closed [2] iff $\theta_\omega\text{-cl}(A) = A$. A set A is called θ_ω -open [2] iff its complement is θ_ω -closed. Also, the family of all θ_ω -open (resp. θ_ω -closed) sets in (X, τ) is denoted by τ_{θ_ω} (resp. $\theta_\omega C(X)$).

Definition 2.9. Let A be a subset of a topological space (X, τ) .

(a) A point $x \in X$ is in the δ_ω -closure [4] of A ($x \in \delta_\omega\text{-cl}(A)$) if $int(\omega\text{-cl}(U)) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ for any $U \in \tau$ with $x \in U$.

(b) A set A is called δ_ω -closed [4] iff $\delta_\omega\text{-cl}(A) = A$. A set A is called δ_ω -open iff its complement is δ_ω -closed. Also, the family of all δ_ω -open (resp. δ_ω -closed) sets in (X, τ) is denoted by τ_{δ_ω} (resp. $\delta_\omega C(X)$).

Lemma 2.10. [4] Let A be a subset of a topological space X . Then the following hold. $cl(A) \subseteq \delta_\omega\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq \delta\text{-cl}(A)$.

Corollary 2.11. [4] Let (X, τ) be a topological space. Then $\tau_\delta \subseteq \tau_{\delta_\omega} \subseteq \tau$.

Lemma 2.12. [4] Let A be a subset of a topological space (X, τ) . Then the following hold.

(a) $cl(A) = \delta_\omega\text{-cl}(A)$ for each $A \in \tau_\omega$.

(b) $cl(A) = \delta_\omega\text{-cl}(A) = \delta\text{-cl}(A)$ for each $A \in \tau$.

Lemma 2.13. [4] Let (X, τ) be a topological space. Then τ_{δ_ω} is a topology on X .

Theorem 2.14. [4] Let (X, τ) be a topological space and $A \subseteq X$. Then $A \in \tau_{\delta_\omega}$ if and only if for each $x \in A$, there exists $U \in \tau$ such that $x \in U \subseteq int(\omega\text{-cl}(U)) \subseteq A$.

3. On δ_ω -closure operator and δ_ω -open sets

Theorem 3.1. Let A be a subset of a topological space X . Then the following hold.

(a) $cl(A) \subseteq \delta_\omega\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq \theta_\omega\text{-cl}(A)$,

(b) If A is δ -closed, then A is δ_ω -closed,

(c) If A is δ_ω -closed, then A is closed.

Proof. (a) Let $x \in \delta_\omega\text{-cl}(A)$.

$x \in \delta_\omega\text{-cl}(A) \Rightarrow (\forall U \in O(X, x))(int(\omega\text{-cl}(U)) \cap A \neq \emptyset) \Rightarrow (\forall U \in O(X, x))(\omega\text{-cl}(U) \cap A \neq \emptyset) \Rightarrow x \in \theta_\omega\text{-cl}(A)$.

(b) Let $A \in \delta C(X)$.

$A \in \delta C(X) \Rightarrow A = \delta\text{-cl}(A) \xrightarrow{\text{Lemma 2.10}} A = \delta_\omega\text{-cl}(A) \Rightarrow A \in \delta_\omega C(X)$.

(c) Let $A \in \delta_\omega C(X)$.

$A \in \delta_\omega C(X) \Rightarrow A = \delta_\omega\text{-cl}(A) \xrightarrow{\text{Lemma 2.10}} A = cl(A) \Rightarrow A \in C(X)$. □

Theorem 3.2. Let X be an ω -locally indiscrete topological space and $A \subseteq X$. Then the following hold.

(a) $cl(A) = \delta_\omega\text{-cl}(A)$,

(b) If A is closed in X , then A is δ_ω -closed in X .

Proof. (a) Let $x \in \delta_\omega\text{-cl}(A)$.

$x \in \delta_\omega\text{-cl}(A) \Rightarrow (\forall U \in O(X, x))(int(\omega\text{-cl}(U)) \cap A \neq \emptyset) \Rightarrow (\forall U \in O(X, x))(\omega\text{-cl}(U) \cap A \neq \emptyset) \Rightarrow (\forall U \in O(X, x))(U \cap A \neq \emptyset)$
 X is ω -locally indiscrete $\Rightarrow (\forall U \in O(X, x))(U \cap A \neq \emptyset)$

$\Rightarrow x \in cl(A)$.
 Therefore $cl(A) = \delta_{\omega}cl(A)$.
 (b) Let $A \in C(X)$.

$$A \in C(X) \Rightarrow A = cl(A) \stackrel{(a)}{\Rightarrow} A = \delta_{\omega}cl(A) \Rightarrow A \in \delta_{\omega}C(X). \quad \square$$

Corollary 3.3. Let X be locally indiscrete and $A \subseteq X$. Then the following hold.

- (a) $cl(A) = \delta_{\omega}cl(A)$,
- (b) If A is closed in X , then A is δ_{ω} -closed in X .

Corollary 3.4. Let X be locally countable and $A \subseteq X$. Then the following hold.

- (a) $cl(A) = \delta_{\omega}cl(A)$,
- (b) If A is closed in X , then A is δ_{ω} -closed in X .

Theorem 3.5. Let X be anti-locally countable and $A \subseteq X$. Then the following hold.

- (a) $\delta-cl(A) = \delta_{\omega}cl(A)$,
- (b) If A is δ_{ω} -closed in X , then A is δ -closed in X .

Proof. (a) Let $x \in \delta-cl(A)$.

$$x \in \delta-cl(A) \Rightarrow (\forall U \in O(X, x))(int(cl(U)) \cap A \neq \emptyset) \stackrel{\text{Hypothesis}}{\Rightarrow} (\forall U \in O(X, x))(int(\omega-cl(U)) \cap A \neq \emptyset) \Rightarrow x \in \delta_{\omega}cl(A)$$

Then $\delta-cl(A) \subseteq \delta_{\omega}cl(A)$. Thus $\delta-cl(A) = \delta_{\omega}cl(A)$.

(b) Let $A \in \delta_{\omega}C(X)$.

$$A \in \delta_{\omega}C(X) \Rightarrow A = \delta_{\omega}cl(A) \stackrel{(a)}{\Rightarrow} A = \delta-cl(A) \Rightarrow A \in \delta C(X). \quad \square$$

Theorem 3.6. Let X be a topological space. Then the following hold.

- (a) If $A \subseteq B \subseteq X$, then $\delta_{\omega}cl(A) \subseteq \delta_{\omega}cl(B)$.
- (b) $\delta_{\omega}cl(A \cup B) = \delta_{\omega}cl(A) \cup \delta_{\omega}cl(B)$ for each subsets $A, B \subseteq X$.
- (c) $\delta_{\omega}cl(A)$ is closed in X for each subset $A \subseteq X$.

Proof. (a) Let $x \in \delta_{\omega}cl(A)$ and $A \subseteq B$.

$$x \in \delta_{\omega}cl(A) \Rightarrow (\forall U \in O(X, x))(int(\omega-cl(U)) \cap A \neq \emptyset) \left. \vphantom{x \in \delta_{\omega}cl(A)} \right\} \begin{matrix} A \subseteq B \\ \Rightarrow \end{matrix} (\forall U \in O(X, x))(int(\omega-cl(U)) \cap B \neq \emptyset) \Rightarrow x \in \delta_{\omega}cl(B).$$

(b) Let A and B be subsets of X .

$$\left. \begin{matrix} A \subseteq A \cup B \stackrel{(a)}{\Rightarrow} \delta_{\omega}cl(A) \subseteq \delta_{\omega}cl(A \cup B) \\ B \subseteq A \cup B \stackrel{(a)}{\Rightarrow} \delta_{\omega}cl(B) \subseteq \delta_{\omega}cl(A \cup B) \end{matrix} \right\} \Rightarrow \delta_{\omega}cl(A) \cup \delta_{\omega}cl(B) \subseteq \delta_{\omega}cl(A \cup B) \dots (1)$$

Let $x \notin \delta_{\omega}cl(A) \cup \delta_{\omega}cl(B)$.

$$\begin{aligned} x \notin \delta_{\omega}cl(A) \cup \delta_{\omega}cl(B) &\Rightarrow (x \notin \delta_{\omega}cl(A))(x \notin \delta_{\omega}cl(B)) \\ &\Rightarrow (\exists U \in O(X, x))(int(\omega-cl(U)) \cap A = \emptyset)(\exists V \in O(X, x))(int(\omega-cl(V)) \cap B = \emptyset) \end{aligned} \left. \vphantom{x \notin \delta_{\omega}cl(A) \cup \delta_{\omega}cl(B)} \right\} \begin{matrix} \\ W = U \cap V \end{matrix} \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow (W \in O(X, x))(int(\omega-cl(W)) \cap A = \emptyset)(int(\omega-cl(W)) \cap B = \emptyset) \\ &\Rightarrow (W \in O(X, x))(int(\omega-cl(W)) \cap (A \cup B) = \emptyset) \\ &\Rightarrow x \notin \delta_{\omega}cl(A \cup B) \end{aligned}$$

It means that $\delta_{\omega}cl(A \cup B) \subseteq \delta_{\omega}cl(A) \cup \delta_{\omega}cl(B) \dots (2)$

$$(1), (2) \Rightarrow \delta_{\omega}cl(A \cup B) = \delta_{\omega}cl(A) \cup \delta_{\omega}cl(B).$$

(c) Suppose that $x \notin \delta_{\omega}cl(A)$.

$$\begin{aligned} x \notin \delta_{\omega}cl(A) &\Rightarrow (\exists U \in O(X, x))(int(\omega-cl(U)) \cap A = \emptyset) \\ &\Rightarrow (\exists U \in O(X, x))(U \cap A = \emptyset) \\ &\Rightarrow (\exists U \in O(X, x))(U \cap \delta_{\omega}cl(A) = \emptyset \vee U \cap \delta_{\omega}cl(A) \neq \emptyset) \\ &\Rightarrow (\exists U \in O(X, x))(U \cap \delta_{\omega}cl(A) = \emptyset) \vee \underbrace{(\exists U \in O(X, x))(U \cap \delta_{\omega}cl(A) \neq \emptyset)}_{\text{False}} \\ &\Rightarrow (\exists U \in O(X, x))(U \cap \delta_{\omega}cl(A) = \emptyset) \\ &\Rightarrow x \notin cl(\delta_{\omega}cl(A)) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\delta_{\omega}cl(A) = cl(\delta_{\omega}cl(A))$ which means that $\delta_{\omega}cl(A) \in C(X)$. □

Corollary 3.7. Every open ω -closed set in a topological space is δ_{ω} -open.

Proof. Let $A \in O(X) \cap \omega C(X)$ and $x \in A$.

$$\begin{aligned} x \in A \in O(X) \cap \omega C(X) &\Rightarrow (A \in O(X, x))(A \in \omega C(X)) \\ &\Rightarrow \omega-cl(A) = A \in O(X, x) \Rightarrow x \in A = int(A) = int(\omega-cl(A)) \end{aligned} \left. \vphantom{x \in A \in O(X) \cap \omega C(X)} \right\} \begin{matrix} \\ U = A \end{matrix} \Rightarrow (U \in O(X, x))(int(\omega-cl(U)) \subseteq A). \quad \square$$

Corollary 3.8. Every countable open set in a topological space is δ_{ω} -open.

Proof. Let $U \in O(X)$ and $|U| \leq \aleph_0$.

$$\left. \begin{matrix} |U| \leq \aleph_0 \Rightarrow U \in \omega C(X) \\ U \in O(X) \end{matrix} \right\} \stackrel{\text{Corollary 3.7}}{\Rightarrow} U \in \delta_{\omega}O(X). \quad \square$$

Lemma 3.9. [6] Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be two topological spaces.

(a) $(\tau \times \sigma)_\omega \subseteq \tau_\omega \times \sigma_\omega$,

(b) If $A \subseteq X$ and $B \subseteq Y$, then $\omega\text{-cl}(A) \times \omega\text{-cl}(B) \subseteq \omega\text{-cl}(A \times B)$.

Theorem 3.10. Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be two topological spaces. If $G \in (\tau \times \sigma)_{\delta_\omega}$, then $\pi_X(G) \in \tau_{\delta_\omega}$ and $\pi_Y(G) \in \sigma_{\delta_\omega}$.

Proof. Let $x \in \pi_X(G)$ and $(x, y) \in G$.

$$(x, y) \in G \in (\tau \times \sigma)_{\delta_\omega} \stackrel{\text{Theorem 2.14}}{\Rightarrow} (\exists H \in \mathcal{O}(X \times Y, (x, y)))(H \subseteq \text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(H)) \subseteq G)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\exists U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(\exists V \in \mathcal{O}(Y, y))(U \times V \subseteq H \subseteq \text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(H)) \subseteq G)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Lemma 3.9}}{\Rightarrow} \begin{aligned} (U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(V \in \mathcal{O}(Y, y))(U \times V &\subseteq \text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(U)) \times \text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(V))) \\ &= \text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(U) \times \omega\text{-cl}(V)) \\ &\subseteq \text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(U \times V)) \\ &\subseteq \text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(H)) \subseteq G \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow (U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(U \subseteq \text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(U)) \subseteq \pi_X(G)).$$

Then we have $\pi_X(G) \in \tau_{\delta_\omega}$. Similarly $\pi_Y(G) \in \sigma_{\delta_\omega}$. □

Definition 3.11. A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called *contra open* [7] if $f[U]$ is closed in Y for each open subset U in X .

Theorem 3.12. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function. If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is open and $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_\omega)$ is contra open, then $f : (X, \tau_\delta) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_{\delta_\omega})$ is open.

Proof. Let $A \in \tau_\delta$ and $y \in f[A]$.

$$\begin{aligned} y \in f[A] \Rightarrow (\exists x \in A)(y = f(x)) \left. \vphantom{y \in f[A]} \right\} \Rightarrow (\exists U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(U \subseteq A) \left. \vphantom{y \in f[A]} \right\} \Rightarrow (f[U] \in \mathcal{O}(Y, f(x)) = \mathcal{O}(Y, y))(f[U] \subseteq f[A]) \left. \vphantom{y \in f[A]} \right\} \Rightarrow \\ \left. \vphantom{y \in f[A]} \right\} \Rightarrow (f[U] \in \mathcal{O}(Y, y))(f[U] = \text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(f[U])) \subseteq f[A]). \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3.13. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function. If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is open and $f : (X, \tau_\omega) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_\omega)$ is contra open, then $f : (X, \tau_{\delta_\omega}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_{\delta_\omega})$ is open.

Proof. Let $A \in \tau_{\delta_\omega}$ and $y \in f[A]$.

$$\begin{aligned} y \in f[A] \Rightarrow (\exists x \in A)(y = f(x)) \left. \vphantom{y \in f[A]} \right\} \Rightarrow (\exists U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(U \subseteq \text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(U)) \subseteq A) \left. \vphantom{y \in f[A]} \right\} \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow (f[U] \in \mathcal{O}(Y, y))(f[U] \subseteq f[\text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(U))]) \subseteq f[A] \left. \vphantom{y \in f[A]} \right\} \Rightarrow (f[U] \in \mathcal{O}(Y, y))(f[U] = \text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(f[U])) \subseteq f[\text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(U))]) \subseteq f[A] \left. \vphantom{y \in f[A]} \right\} \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow (V \in \mathcal{O}(Y, y))(V = \text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(V)) \subseteq f[A]). \end{aligned}$$

Definition 3.14. A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called *contra continuous* [8] if $f^{-1}[V]$ is closed in X for each open subset V in Y .

Theorem 3.15. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function. If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is continuous and $f : (X, \tau_\omega) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_\omega)$ is contra continuous, then $f : (X, \tau_{\delta_\omega}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_{\delta_\omega})$ is continuous.

Proof. Let $B \in \tau_{\delta_\omega}$ and $x \in f^{-1}[B]$.

$$\begin{aligned} x \in f^{-1}[B] \Rightarrow f(x) \in B \left. \vphantom{x \in f^{-1}[B]} \right\} \Rightarrow (\exists V \in \mathcal{O}(Y, f(x)))(V \subseteq \text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(V)) \subseteq B) \left. \vphantom{x \in f^{-1}[B]} \right\} \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow (f^{-1}[V] \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(f^{-1}[V] \subseteq f^{-1}[\text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(V))]) \subseteq f^{-1}[B] \left. \vphantom{x \in f^{-1}[B]} \right\} \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow (f^{-1}[V] \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(f^{-1}[V] = \text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(f^{-1}[V])) \subseteq f^{-1}[\text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(V))]) \subseteq f^{-1}[B] \left. \vphantom{x \in f^{-1}[B]} \right\} \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow (U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(U = \text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(U)) \subseteq f^{-1}[B]). \end{aligned}$$

Definition 3.16. A topological space (X, τ) is said to be $\omega\text{-T}_2$ [2] if for any pair (x, y) of distinct points in X , there exist $U \in \tau, V \in \tau_\omega$ such that $x \in U, y \in V$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$.

Theorem 3.17. Let (X, τ) be a ω -locally indiscrete space. Then (X, τ) is $\omega\text{-T}_2$ space if and only if $\delta_\omega\text{-cl}(\{x\}) = \{x\}$ for each $x \in X$.

Proof. (\Rightarrow) : Let (X, τ) be an $\omega\text{-T}_2$ space. Suppose that $x \in X$ and $\delta_\omega\text{-cl}(\{x\}) \neq \{x\}$.

$$\delta_\omega\text{-cl}(\{x\}) \neq \{x\} \Rightarrow (\exists y \in X)(y \in \delta_\omega\text{-cl}(\{x\}) \setminus \{x\}) \Rightarrow (y \in \delta_\omega\text{-cl}(\{x\}))(y \neq x) \left. \vphantom{\delta_\omega\text{-cl}(\{x\}) \neq \{x\}} \right\} \Rightarrow \\ \left. \vphantom{\delta_\omega\text{-cl}(\{x\}) \neq \{x\}} \right\} \Rightarrow (X, \tau) \text{ is } \omega\text{-T}_2 \text{ space}$$

$$\Rightarrow (y \in \delta_\omega\text{-cl}(\{x\}))(\exists U \in \omega\mathcal{O}(X, x))(\exists V \in \mathcal{O}(Y, y))(U \cap V = \emptyset)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(V)) \cap \{x\} \neq \emptyset)(U \in \omega\mathcal{O}(X, x))(V \subseteq \setminus U)$$

$$\Rightarrow (x \in \text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(V)))(U \in \omega\mathcal{O}(X, x))(\text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(V)) \subseteq \text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(X \setminus U)) = \text{int}(X \setminus U) \subseteq X \setminus U)$$

$$\Rightarrow (x \in \text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(V)))(U \in \omega\mathcal{O}(X, x))(\text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(V)) \cap U = \emptyset)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(V)) \cap U \neq \emptyset)(\text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(V)) \cap U = \emptyset)$$

This is a contradiction.

(\Leftarrow) : Let $x, y \in X$ and $x \neq y$.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (x, y \in X)(x \neq y) \\ \text{Hypothesis} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow x \notin \delta_{\omega}\text{-cl}(\{y\}) \Rightarrow (\exists U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(int(\omega\text{-cl}(U)) \cap \{y\} = \emptyset) \left. \begin{array}{l} (X, \tau) \text{ is } \omega\text{-locally indiscrete} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow (\exists U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(int(\omega\text{-cl}(U)) \in \omega\mathcal{C}(X))(int(\omega\text{-cl}(U)) \cap \{y\} = \emptyset) \left. \begin{array}{l} V = X \setminus int(\omega\text{-cl}(U)) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow (U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(V \in \omega\mathcal{O}(X, y))(U \cap V = \emptyset). \quad \square$$

4. On δ_{ω} -continuity

Definition 4.1. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be δ -continuous [12] if for every $x \in X$ and every open neighborhood V of $f(x)$, there exists an open neighborhood U of x such that $f[int(cl(U))] \subseteq int(cl(V))$.

Definition 4.2. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be δ_{ω} -continuous if for every $x \in X$ and every open neighborhood V of $f(x)$, there exists an open neighborhood U of x such that $f[int(cl(U))] \subseteq int(\omega\text{-cl}(V))$.

Theorem 4.3. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. If f is δ_{ω} -continuous, then it is δ -continuous.

Proof. Straightforward. □

Remark 4.4. Every δ -continuous function need not be δ_{ω} -continuous as shown by the following example.

Example 4.5. Consider the function $f : (\mathbb{N}, \tau_{ind}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{N}, \tau_{cof})$, where \mathbb{N} is the set of all natural numbers, defined as $f(x) = x$. The function f is δ -continuous but not δ_{ω} -continuous.

Theorem 4.6. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is δ -continuous and Y is an anti-locally countable space, then f is δ_{ω} -continuous.

Proof. Let $x \in X$ and let V be any open subset of Y containing $f(x)$.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (x \in X)(V \in \mathcal{O}(Y, f(x))) \\ f \text{ is } \delta\text{-continuous} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow (\exists U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(f[int(cl(U))] \subseteq int(cl(V))) \left. \begin{array}{l} Y \text{ is anti-locally countable} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow (\exists U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(f[int(cl(U))] \subseteq int(\omega\text{-cl}(V))). \quad \square$$

The following two examples show that the notions of continuity and δ_{ω} -continuity are independent.

Example 4.7. Consider the function $f : (\mathbb{R}, \tau_{ind}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, \tau_{cof})$ defined as $f(x) = x$. It is obvious that f is δ_{ω} -continuous but not continuous.

Example 4.8. Consider the function $f : (\mathbb{N}, \tau) \rightarrow (\mathbb{N}, \tau)$ where $\tau = \{\mathbb{N}, \emptyset, \{1\}\}$ and $f(x) = x$. It is not difficult to see that f is continuous but not δ_{ω} -continuous.

Theorem 4.9. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. If f is δ_{ω} -continuous and Y is ω -regular, then f is continuous.

Proof. Let $x \in X$ and $V \in \mathcal{O}(Y, f(x))$.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} V \in \mathcal{O}(Y, f(x)) \\ Y \text{ is } \omega\text{-regular} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow (\exists H \in \mathcal{O}(Y, f(x)))(H \subseteq \omega\text{-cl}(H) \subseteq V) \left. \begin{array}{l} f \text{ is } \delta_{\omega}\text{-continuous} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow (\exists U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(f[U] \subseteq f[int(cl(U))] \subseteq int(\omega\text{-cl}(H)) \subseteq int(V) = V). \quad \square$$

Definition 4.10. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be weakly continuous [11] if for every $x \in X$ and every open set V of Y containing $f(x)$, there exists an open subset U in X containing x such that $f[U] \subseteq cl(V)$.

Definition 4.11. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be ω - δ -continuous if for every $x \in X$ and every open set V of Y containing $f(x)$, there exists an open subset U in X containing x such that $f[int(\omega\text{-cl}(U))] \subseteq cl(V)$.

Theorem 4.12. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. If f is ω - δ -continuous function, then it is weakly continuous.

Proof. Straightforward. □

Theorem 4.13. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. If f is weakly continuous and X is ω -locally indiscrete, then f is ω - δ -continuous.

Proof. Let $x \in X$ and $V \in \mathcal{O}(Y, f(x))$.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (x \in X)(V \in \mathcal{O}(Y, f(x))) \\ f \text{ is weakly continuous} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow (\exists U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(f[U] \subseteq cl(V)) \left. \begin{array}{l} X \text{ is } \omega\text{-locally indiscrete} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow (\exists U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(f[U] = f[int(\omega\text{-cl}(U))] \subseteq cl(V)). \quad \square$$

Corollary 4.14. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is weakly continuous and X is locally indiscrete, then f is ω - δ -continuous.

Proof. By Lemma 2.7 and Theorem 4.13. □

Corollary 4.15. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is weakly continuous and X is locally countable, then f is ω - δ -continuous.

Proof. By Lemma 2.7 and Theorem 4.13. □

Theorem 4.16. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. If f is weakly continuous and X is ω -regular, then f is ω - δ -continuous.

Proof. Let $x \in X$ and $V \in \mathcal{O}(Y, f(x))$.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (x \in X)(V \in \mathcal{O}(Y, f(x))) \\ f \text{ is weakly continuous} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} (\exists H \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(f[H] \subseteq cl(V)) \\ X \text{ is } \omega\text{-regular} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow (\exists U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(f[int(\omega-cl(U))] \subseteq f[\omega-cl(U)] \subseteq f[H] \subseteq cl(V)). \quad \square$$

Theorem 4.17. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. If f is δ -continuous, then it is ω - δ -continuous.

Proof. Let $x \in X$ and $V \in \mathcal{O}(Y, f(x))$.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (x \in X)(V \in \mathcal{O}(Y, f(x))) \\ f \text{ is } \delta\text{-continuous} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow (\exists U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(f[int(cl(U))] \subseteq int(cl(V))) \\ \Rightarrow (\exists U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(f[int(\omega-cl(U))] \subseteq f[int(cl(U))] \subseteq int(cl(V)) \subseteq cl(V)). \quad \square$$

Remark 4.18. Every ω - δ -continuous function need not be δ -continuous as shown by the following example.

Example 4.19. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, Y, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ be identity function. Then f is ω - δ -continuous. On the other hand, it is proved in [12] Example 4.5 that f is not δ -continuous.

Theorem 4.20. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. If f is open ω - δ -continuous and X is anti-locally countable, then f is δ -continuous.

Proof. Let $x \in X$ and $V \in \mathcal{O}(Y, f(x))$.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (x \in X)(V \in \mathcal{O}(Y, f(x))) \\ f \text{ is } \omega\text{-}\delta\text{-continuous} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} (\exists U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(f[int(\omega-cl(U))] \subseteq cl(V)) \\ X \text{ is anti-locally countable} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow (\exists U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(f[int(\omega-cl(U))] = f[int(cl(U))] \subseteq cl(V)) \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ f \text{ is open} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow (\exists U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(int(f[int(\omega-cl(U))]) = f[int(cl(U))] \subseteq int(cl(V))). \quad \square$$

Definition 4.21. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be weakly δ_ω -continuous if for every $x \in X$ and every open set V of Y containing $f(x)$, there exists an open subset U in X containing x such that $f[U] \subseteq int(\omega-cl(V))$.

Theorem 4.22. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. If f is weakly δ_ω -continuous, then it is weakly continuous.

Proof. Straightforward. □

Remark 4.23. Every weakly continuous function need not be δ_ω -weakly continuous as shown by the following example.

Example 4.24. Consider the identity function $f : (\mathbb{N}, \tau) \rightarrow (\mathbb{N}, \sigma)$ where $\tau = \{\emptyset, \mathbb{N}\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \mathbb{N}, \{1\}\}$. Then f is weakly continuous but not weakly δ_ω -continuous.

Theorem 4.25. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. If f is open weakly continuous and Y is anti-locally countable, then f is weakly δ_ω -continuous.

Proof. Let $x \in X$ and $V \in \mathcal{O}(Y, f(x))$.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (x \in X)(V \in \mathcal{O}(Y, f(x))) \\ f \text{ is weakly continuous} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} (\exists U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(f[U] \subseteq cl(V)) \\ Y \text{ is anti-locally countable} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} (\exists U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(f[U] \subseteq cl(V) = \omega-cl(V)) \\ f \text{ is open} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow (\exists U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(int(f[U]) = f[U] \subseteq int(\omega-cl(V))). \quad \square$$

Theorem 4.26. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. If f is continuous, then it is weakly δ_ω -continuous.

Proof. Straightforward. □

Remark 4.27. Every weakly δ_ω -continuous function need not be continuous as shown by the following example.

Example 4.28. Consider the identity function $f : (\mathbb{R}, \tau_u) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, \tau_{coc})$. Then f is weakly δ_ω -continuous but not continuous.

Theorem 4.29. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. If f is weakly δ_ω -continuous and Y is ω -locally indiscrete, then f is continuous.

Proof. Let $x \in X$ and $V \in \mathcal{O}(Y, f(x))$.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (x \in X)(V \in \mathcal{O}(Y, f(x))) \\ f \text{ is weakly } \delta_\omega\text{-continuous} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} (\exists U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(f[U] \subseteq int(\omega-cl(V))) \\ Y \text{ is } \omega\text{-locally indiscrete} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow (\exists U \in \mathcal{O}(X, x))(f[U] \subseteq int(\omega-cl(V)) = int(V) = V). \quad \square$$

Corollary 4.30. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is weakly δ_ω -continuous and Y is locally indiscrete, then f is continuous.

Proof. By Lemma 2.7 and Theorem 4.29. □

Corollary 4.31. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is weakly δ_ω -continuous and Y is locally countable, then f is continuous.

Proof. By Lemma 2.7 and Theorem 4.29. □

Theorem 4.32. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. If f is δ_ω -continuous, then it is weakly δ_ω -continuous.

Proof. Let $x \in X$ and $V \in O(Y, f(x))$.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (x \in X)(V \in O(Y, f(x))) \\ f \text{ is } \delta_\omega\text{-continuous} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow (\exists U \in O(X, x))(f[\text{int}(cl(U))] \subseteq \text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(V)))$$

$$\Rightarrow (\exists U \in O(X, x))(f[U] = f[\text{int}(U)] \subseteq f[\text{int}(cl(U))] \subseteq \text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(V))). \quad \square$$

Remark 4.33. Every weakly δ_ω -continuous need not be δ_ω -continuous as shown by the following example.

Example 4.34. Consider by Example 4.8, $f : (\mathbb{N}, \tau) \rightarrow (\mathbb{N}, \tau)$ where $\tau = \{\mathbb{N}, \emptyset, \{1\}\}$ and $f(x) = x$. It is clear that f is continuous. Also, f is weakly δ_ω -continuous from Theorem 4.27. However, f is not δ_ω -continuous as shown in Example 4.8.

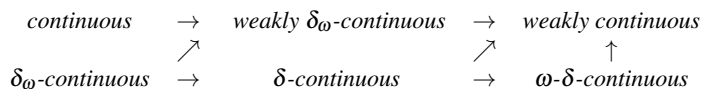
Theorem 4.35. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. If f is weakly δ_ω -continuous and X is locally indiscrete, then f is δ_ω -continuous.

Proof. Let $x \in X$ and $V \in O(Y, f(x))$.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (x \in X)(V \in O(Y, f(x))) \\ f \text{ is weakly } \delta_\omega\text{-continuous} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow (\exists U \in O(X, x))(f[U] \subseteq \text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(V)))$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} X \text{ is locally indiscrete} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow (\exists U \in O(X, x))(f[\text{int}(cl(U))] \subseteq \text{int}(\omega\text{-cl}(V))). \quad \square$$

Corollary 4.36. We have the following diagram from definitions and results obtained above.



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