

## On C-Continuous Functions

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**Abstract:** E. Hatır and et. al introduced a new decomposition of continuity called C-continuity. S. Jafari investigated further this type of continuity. In this paper, we obtain some properties of C-sets and C-continuity.

**Key Words:** C-set, C-continuous function, C-irresolute function, strongly C-closed graph.

**Özet:** [Eşref Hatır ve arkadaşları, C-süreklilik adlı sürekliliğin yeni bir ayrışımını tanımladılar. S. Jafari, bu süreklilik çeşidini daha ayrıntılı inceledi. Bu makalede biz, C-kümelerin ve C-sürekliliğin bazı özelliklerini elde ettik.

**Anahtar Kelimeler:** C-küme, C-sürekli fonksiyon, C-kararsız fonksiyon, kuvvetli C-kapalı grafik.

### Introduction

E. Hatır, T. Noiri and Ş. Yüksel [1] introduced the notions of  $\alpha^*$ -set, C-set and C-continuity in topological spaces and established a decomposition of continuity. In [3], S. Jafari investigated further this type of continuity and introduced notion of strongly C-closed. He also proved that for  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a function if Y is a Hausdorff space, C-continuity necessary to strongly C-closed. Recently, E. Hatır [4] defined C-irresolute function. In this paper, we obtain some properties of C-sets and C-continuity. We also compare with the notions of C-continuity and strongly C-closed.

### Preliminaries

Throughout this paper X and Y indicate topological spaces on which no separation axiom is presumed. Let A be a subset of a space X. The closure of A and interior of A are denoted by  $Cl(A)$  and  $Int(A)$ , respectively.

We will recall some definitions used in the sequel.

Definition 2.1. A subset A of a space X is said to be

- (a)  $\alpha^*$ -set [1], if  $Int(Cl(Int(A))) = Int(A)$ ,
- (b) C-set [1], if  $A = O \cap F$ , where O is open and F is an  $\alpha^*$ -set.

We used the notion of C-open set instead of C-set and taken the notion of

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C-closed set as complement of C-open set.

Definition 2.2. A function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be C-continuous [1](resp.  $\alpha$ -continuous [2]) if for each open set  $V$  of  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is a C-set ( resp.  $\alpha$ -set ) in  $X$ .

Definition 2.3. A function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is C-continuous at  $x \in X$ , if for each open set  $V \subset Y$  containing  $f(x)$ , there exists a C-set  $U$  in  $X$  containing  $x$  such that  $f(U) \subset V$ . The function  $f$  is called C-continuous on  $X$  if it has this property for each point  $x$  in  $X$  [3].

It is clear that Definition 2.2 equivalent to Definition 2.3.

Definition 2.4. For a function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \phi)$ , the graph

$$G(f) = \{ (x, f(x)) : x \in X \}$$

is called strongly C-closed if for each  $(x, y) \in ((X \times Y) \setminus G(f))$ , there exists a C-set  $U$  and open set  $V$  containing  $x$  and  $y$  respectively such that  $[U \times V] \cap G(f) = \emptyset$  by ([3], Definition 2.4).

In [1], the following decompositions of continuity have been established.

Theorem 2.1. The following are equivalent for a function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  :

- ( a )  $f$  is continuous,
- ( b )  $f$  is  $\alpha$ -continuous and C-continuous.

In [4], E. Hatir given a new strengthen type of C-continuity called C-irresolute. This notion is given as similar to following.

Definition 2.5. A function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be C-irresolute, if for every C-set of  $A$  in  $Y$ , its inverse image  $f^{-1}(A)$  is C-set in  $X$  ([4], Definition 4.1).

Definition 2.6. A point  $x$  in  $X$  called C-cluster point of  $A \subset X$  if  $A \cap C \neq \emptyset$  for every C-set  $C$  containing  $x$ . The set of all C-cluster points of  $A$  is called C-closure of  $A$  ([3], Definition 2.1). He also denoted C-closure of  $A$  by  $[A]_C$  and said that  $A$  is a C-closed if  $[A]_C = A$ .

### Some new properties of C-sets

The family of all C-sets of a space  $(X, \tau)$  will be denoted by  $C(X, \tau)$  or  $C(X)$ .

Remark 3.1. The union of two C-sets need not be an C-set.

Example 3.1. Let  $(X, \tau)$  be the same topological space as in [1], Example 3 that is,  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  and  $\tau = \{ \emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\} \}$ . Then  $\{a\}$  and  $\{b\}$  are C-sets, but  $\{a\} \cup \{b\} = \{a, b\}$  is not a C-set. It is known in [5, Theorem 2.11] that the intersection of any members of  $\alpha^*(X, \tau)$  belongs to  $\alpha^*(X, \tau)$ . Furthermore, the intersection of two open-sets is always an open set from [6], Chapter 1, Definition 1. It is clear that, the intersection of finite members of  $C(X, \tau)$  belongs to  $C(X, \tau)$ .

We can also give the following two lemma.

Lemma 3.1. If  $A$  is an open and  $C$  is a C-set in a space  $X$ , then  $(A \cap C)$  is a C-set in a space  $X$ .

Proff. Since  $C$  is a C-set, there exists an open set  $O$  and a C-set  $F$  such that  $C = O \cap F$ , from Definition 2.1.a). It follows that  $B = A \cap O$  is an open set, because the intersection of two open-sets is always an open set from [1], Chapter 1, Definition 1. Therefore;

$$A \cap C = A \cap (O \cap F) = (A \cap O) \cap F = B \cap F = C_1$$

is a C-set from Definition 2.1.b).

Lemma 3.2. If  $F_1$  is an  $\alpha^*$ -set and  $C$  is a C-set in a space  $X$ , then  $C \cap F_1$  is a C-set in a space  $X$ .

Proff. Since  $C$  is a C-set, there exists an open set  $O$  and C-set  $F$  such that  $C = O \cap F$ , Definition 2.1.b). It follows that  $F_2 = (F \cap F_1)$  is an  $\alpha^*$ -set, because the intersection of two  $\alpha^*$ -sets is always an  $\alpha^*$ -set from [5], Theorem 2.11. Therefore;

$$C \cap F_1 = (O \cap F) \cap F_1 = O \cap (F \cap F_1) = O \cap F_2 = C_2$$

is a C-set from Definition 2.1.b).

We can ask this question ourselves: "Are there else sets such that its intersection with a C-set is a C-set?" This question is a clear problem with this subject.

#### 4. Some new properties with C-continuity

S.Jafari [3] given following theorem without proof. We prove its.

Theorem 4.1. The following are equivalent for a function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ .

- (a)  $f$  is C-continuous,
- (b)  $f([A]_C) \subset Cl(f(A))$  for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ .
- (c)  $[f^{-1}(B)]_C \subset f^{-1}[Cl(B)]$  for every subset  $B$  of  $Y$ .

Proof. a)  $\Rightarrow$  b). Let  $x \in [A]_C$  and  $V$  be any open set in  $Y$  such that containing  $f(x)$ . By hypothesis, there exists a C-continuous function  $f$  such that  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ . Therefore  $f^{-1}(V)$  is a C-set in a space  $X$  such that containing  $x$  from Definition 2.2. In this condition, before  $x \in [A]_C$  and  $(A \cap f^{-1}(V)) \neq \emptyset$  by Definition 2.6. Hence,  $(f(A) \cap V) \neq \emptyset$  and  $f(x) \in Cl(f(A))$ . It follows that  $f([A]_C) \subset Cl(f(A))$  for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ .

b)  $\Rightarrow$  c). If we take  $A = f^{-1}(B)$ , we could obtain

$$f([f^{-1}(B)]_C) \subset Cl(f(f^{-1}(B))) \subset Cl(B)$$

by b). Since

$$f([f^{-1}(B)]_C) \subset Cl(B),$$

it follows that

$$[f^{-1}(B)]_C \subset f^{-1}(Cl(B)).$$

c)  $\Rightarrow$  a).  $F$  be any closed set in  $Y$ . Therefore,

$$[f^{-1}(B)]_C \subset f^{-1}(Cl(F)) = f^{-1}(F)$$

by c). Hence,  $f^{-1}(F)$  is a C-closed set in  $X$ , so  $f$  function is a C-continuous.

Example 4.1 shows the well-known fact that even C-continuous functions may not have strongly C-closed. Example 4.2 shows the equally well-known fact that a function having strongly C-closed graph need not be C-continuous.

Example 4.1. Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space such that  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  and  $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{d\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, c, d\}\}$ . Let  $(Y, \varphi)$  be a topological space such that  $Y = \{x, y\}$  and  $\varphi = \{Y, \emptyset, \{x\}\}$ . Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \varphi)$  be a function defined as follows:  $f(a) = f(b) = x$  and  $f(c) = f(d) = y$ . Then  $f$  is a C-continuous functions (This example is given and  $f$  is a denoted C-continuous functions in [1], Example 4.2), but  $G(f)$  is not strongly C-closed. In fact; for  $(a, y) \notin G(f)$ , there exist a C-set  $\{a, b\}$  and an open set  $Y$  containing  $a$  and  $y$ , respectively. In this case, we obtain that

$$(f(\{a, b\}) \cap Y) = (\{x\} \cap Y) \neq \emptyset.$$

It follows that,  $G(f)$  is not strongly C-closed from Definition 2.4.

Example 4.2. Let  $(X, \tau)$  be the same topological space as in Example 3.1 that is,  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  and  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}\}$ . Let  $(Y, \varphi)$  be a topological space such that  $Y = \{x, y, z\}$  and  $\varphi = \emptyset(Y)$ . Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \varphi)$  be a function defined as follows:  $f(a) = f(b) = x$ ,  $f(c) = y$  and  $f(d) = z$ . Then  $G(f)$  is strongly C-closed, but  $f$  is not a C-continuous. In fact, for an open set  $\{x\}$  of  $\varphi$  containing  $x$ ,  $f^{-1}(\{x\}) = \{a, b\} \notin C(X, \tau)$ . It follows that,  $f$  is not a C-continuous functions from Definition 2.2.

Remark 4.1. Although the composition of two continuous functions is a always continuous function, the composition of two C-continuous functions is not a always C-continuous function as the following example shows.

Example 4.3. Let  $(X, \tau)$  be the same topological space as in Example 4.1. that is;  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  and  $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{d\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, c, d\}\}$ . Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \tau)$  be identity function. Let

$g$  be the same function as  $f$  in Example 4.1. Since  $f$ , is a identity function, it is always continuous. According to [1] , Theorem 4.1, it also C-continuous. We denoted that  $g$  is a C-continuous function in Example 4.1. But  $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \varphi)$  is not a C-continuous function. Actually; for  $\{x\} \subset Y$  open set such that containing  $x$ ,  $g^{-1}(\{x\}) = \{a, b\}$  is a C-set in  $X$  by Definition 2.2 but not an open set in  $X$ .

We will obtain some conditions for the composition of two functions to be C-continuous.

**Theorem 4.2.** If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is C-continuous and  $g : Y \rightarrow Z$  is continuous, then  $g \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$  is C-continuous.

**Proof.** Let  $V$  be an open set of  $Z$ . Since  $g$  is continuous,  $g^{-1}(V)$  is an open set in  $Y$ . In addition since  $f$  is C-continuous by Definition 2.2,  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$  is a C-set in  $X$ . It follows from Definition 2.2 that  $g \circ f$  is C-continuous.

**Theorem 4.3.** If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  C-irresolute and  $g: Y \rightarrow Z$  is C-continuous, then  $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$  is a C-continuous.

**Proof.** Let  $V$  be an open set of  $Z$ . Since  $g$  is C-continuous by Definition 2.2,  $g^{-1}(V)$  is a C-set in  $Y$ . In addition since  $f$  is C-irresolute by Definition 2.5,  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$  is a C-set in  $X$ . It follows from Definition 2.5 that  $g \circ f$  is a C-continuous.

**Remark 4.2.** If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is C-continuous and  $A \subset X$  an arbitrary subset, then the restriction  $f|_A : A \rightarrow Y$  is not C-continuous function as the following example shows.

**Example 4.4.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \varphi)$  be same topological spaces as in Example 4.1. Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \varphi)$  be a function defined as follows:  $f(a) = f(b) = f(d) = x$  and  $f(c) = y$ . Then  $f$  is a C-continuous functions. But; for  $A = \{a, b, c\}$  is a subset of  $X$ ,  $f|_A : (A, \tau_A) \rightarrow (Y, \varphi)$  is not C-continuous. Actually, for an arbitrary subset  $A = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau_A = \{A, \emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}\}$ . We take an open set  $\{x\}$  in  $Y$  such that containing  $x$ . In this case,  $(f|_A)^{-1}(\{x\}) = \{a, b, d\}$  is not a C-set in  $(A, \tau_A)$ .

We will obtain some conditions for the restriction of a C-continuous functions to be C-continuous. We recall that; " Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is an arbitrary function and  $A$  is a subset in a space  $X$ . Then  $f|_A : A \rightarrow Y$  is called restriction".

**Theorem 4.4.** If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is C-continuous function and  $A$  is an open set in a space  $X$ , then the restrictions  $f|_A : A \rightarrow Y$  is C-continuous function.

**Proof.** Let  $V$  be an open set of  $Y$ . Then  $f^{-1}(V)$  is a C-set in  $X$ . It follows from Lemma 3.1 that  $(f|_A)^{-1}(V) = (f^{-1}(V) \cap A)$  is a C-set in the subspace  $A$ . Therefore,  $f|_A$  is a C-continuous by Definition 3.2.

It is clear that; C-continuity is not a heredity property.

**Theorem 4.4.** If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is C-continuous function and  $A$  is an  $\alpha^*$ -set in a space  $X$ , then the restrictions  $f|_A : A \rightarrow Y$  is C-continuous function.

**Proof.** Let  $V$  be an open set of  $Y$ . Then  $f^{-1}(V)$  is a C-set in  $X$ . It follows from Lemma 3.2 that  $(f|_A)^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(V) \cap A$  is a C-set in the subspace  $A$ . Therefore,  $f|_A$  is a C-continuous by Definition 3.2.

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