



## Semi-Delta-Open Sets in Topological Space

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**ABSTRACT:** The purpose of this paper is to introduce a new class of open sets, namely semi-delta-open sets (briefly  $\delta_s$ -open sets). Further, some basic topological concepts such as neighbourhood axioms, border, exterior, and frontier of a set are defined and their properties have been investigated. In addition, in terms of these open sets, semi-delta-closed functions (briefly  $\delta_s$ -closed functions) and semi-delta-continuous functions (briefly  $\delta_s$ -continuous functions) are also defined and their properties have been discussed.

**Key Words:**  $\delta_s$ -closed sets,  $\delta_s$ -open sets,  $\delta_s$ -closed functions,  $\delta_s$ -continuous functions.

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### 1. Introduction

The notion of an open set is very fundamental in topology. Many topologists have extensively studied open sets and their new versions for so long. Amongst them, Levine [7] was the first who made known the notion of semi-open sets. His work was not confined to this concept; he also introduced and studied the term semi-closed set and the concept of semi-continuity of a function. A subset  $G_1$  of a topological space  $(G, \tau)$  (briefly  $G$ ) is termed as semi-open set if  $G_1 \subseteq Cl[Int(G_1)]$ . The complement of a semi-open set is termed as semi-closed set. For a subset  $G_1$  of a space  $G$ , a point  $g$  in  $G$  is a semi-closure point of  $G_1$  if for each semi-open set  $G_2$  in  $G$  containing  $g$ ,  $G_2 \cap G_1 \neq \emptyset$ . Levine's work opened up a new window for many researchers. Many topologists used his notion of semi-open sets as a substitute to open sets and proved various results. Veličko [10] purposed the notion of  $\delta$ -closure and  $\theta$ -closure of a set.  $\delta$ -closure of a subset  $G_1$  of space  $G$  is defined as the set of all such  $g$  in  $G$  such that  $Int[Cl(G_2)] \cap G_1 \neq \emptyset$ , for each open set  $G_2$  in  $G$  containing  $g$ , and  $\delta$ -interior of a subset  $G_1$  of space  $G$  is the set of all such  $g \in G$  such that  $Int[Cl(G_2)] \subseteq G_1$  for some open set  $G_2$  in  $G$  containing  $g$ . It is a well-established result that the collection of all  $\delta$ -open sets forms a topology on  $G$ , referred to as a semi-regularization topology on  $G$ . Andrijević [1] generalized open sets by introducing b-open sets. Dutta and Tripathi [3] proposed fuzzy  $b$ - $\theta$  open sets, and in 2019, Sarma and Tripathi [9] investigated several aspects of a fuzzy semi-pre quasi-neighbourhood of a fuzzy point. In 2020, Latif [6] introduced and studied  $\theta$ -irresolute,  $\theta$ -closed, pre- $\theta$ -open, and pre- $\theta$ -closed mappings and investigated their properties. Moreover, properties of  $\theta$ -continuous and  $\theta$ -open mappings are further investigated. Latif [5] also proposed and explored the various properties of  $\delta$ -derived,  $\delta$ -border,  $\delta$ -frontier of a set and concepts of  $\delta$ -D-sets. Recently, Hassan and Labendia [4] introduced a new version of open sets called  $\theta_s$ -open sets and explored various terms, namely  $\theta_s$ -continuous,  $\theta_s$ -open, and  $\theta_s$ -closed function. In addition, some forms of separation axioms are introduced and characterized. The present paper gives an insight into semi-delta-open sets (briefly  $\delta_s$ -open sets), semi-delta-neighbourhood axioms (briefly  $\delta_s$ -neighbourhood axioms), and various other topological concepts using semi-delta-open sets. Moreover, the concepts of semi-delta-closed (briefly  $\delta_s$ -closed) and semi-delta-continuous functions (briefly  $\delta_s$ -continuous functions) are introduced and investigated.

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## 2. Preliminaries

In this paper,  $(G, \tau)$  and  $(K, \sigma)$  represent topological spaces (briefly  $G$  and  $K$ ) unless otherwise mentioned.  $Cl(G_1)$  and  $Int(G_1)$  symbolize the closure and the interior of the subset  $G_1$  of space  $G$ , respectively.

**Definition 2.1.** [7] Let  $G$  be a topological space. A subset  $G_1$  of  $G$  is termed as semi-open set if  $G_1 \subseteq Cl(Int(G_1))$  and semi-closed set if  $Int(Cl(G_1)) \subseteq G_1$

**Definition 2.2.** [2] The intersection of all semi-closed supersets of subset  $G_1$  of space  $G$  is called semi-closure of  $G_1$  and is represented by  $sCl(G_1)$ . Also  $sCl(G_1) = G_1 \cup Int(Cl(G_1))$ .

For the following Lemma, one may refer to Navalagi and Gurushantanavar [8].

**Lemma 2.3.** For subsets  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  of  $G$ , the following hold for the semi-closure operator.

- (1)  $G_1 \subset sCl(G_1) \subset Cl(G_1)$ ;
- (2)  $sCl(G_1) \subset sCl(G_2)$  if  $G_1 \subset G_2$ ;
- (3)  $sCl(sCl(G_1)) = sCl(G_1)$ ;
- (4)  $sCl(G_1 \cap G_2) \subset sCl(G_1) \cap sCl(G_2)$ ;
- (5)  $sCl(G_1) \cup sCl(G_2) \subset sCl(G_1 \cup G_2)$ ;
- (6)  $G_1$  is semi-closed if and only if  $sCl(G_1) = G_1$ .

## 3. $\delta_s$ -Open Sets and Neighbourhood Axioms

The term  $\delta_s$ -open sets, a new class of open sets, is defined in this section. Furthermore, the concept of  $\delta_s$ -neighbourhood axioms is proposed and investigated.

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $G$  be a topological space and  $G_1 \subseteq G$ . Then  $G_1$  is said to be semi-delta-open (briefly  $\delta_s$ -open) if for every  $g \in G_1$ , there exists an open set  $G_2$  (say) containing  $g$  such that  $Int[sCl(G_2)] \subseteq G_1$ .

**Definition 3.2.** Let  $G$  be a topological space. Let  $g \in G$  and  $G_1 \subseteq G$ . We say that  $G_1$  is a semi-delta-neighbourhood (briefly  $\delta_s$ -neighbourhood) of  $g$  if there is a  $\delta_s$ -open set  $G_2$  of  $G$  such that  $g \in G_2 \subseteq G_1$ .

**Definition 3.3.** Let  $G$  be a topological space and  $G_1 \subseteq G$ . Then the semi-delta-closure (briefly  $\delta_s$ -closure) of  $G_1$  is denoted and defined by  $Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1) = \cap\{G_2 : G_2 \text{ is } \delta_s\text{-closed and } G_1 \subseteq G_2\}$ .

**Definition 3.4.** A point  $g \in G$  is called the semi-delta-cluster point (briefly  $\delta_s$ -cluster point) of  $G_1 \subseteq G$  if  $G_1 \cap Int[sCl(G_2)] \neq \emptyset$  for every open set  $G_2$  (say) of  $G$  containing  $g$ . Sometimes we define the  $\delta_s$ -closure of the set  $G_1$  as the set of all  $\delta_s$ -cluster points of  $G_1$ .

**Definition 3.5.** Let  $G$  be topological space and  $G_1 \subseteq G$ . Then the semi-delta-interior (briefly  $\delta_s$ -interior) of  $G_1$  is denoted and defined by  $Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) = \cup\{G_2 : G_2 \text{ is } \delta_s\text{-open and } G_2 \subseteq G_1\}$ . Moreover, a point  $g \in G$  is said to be a  $\delta_s$ -interior point of  $G_1$  if there exist a  $\delta_s$ -open set  $G_2$  containing  $g$  such that  $G_2 \subseteq G_1$ .

**Definition 3.6.** A subset  $G_1 \subseteq G$  is called semi-delta-closed (briefly  $\delta_s$ -closed) if  $G_1 = Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ . Moreover, the complement of a semi-delta-closed set is a semi-delta-open set.

**Remark 3.7.** The arbitrary union of semi-delta-open sets is semi-delta-open.

**Remark 3.8.**  $Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1 \cap G_2) \subseteq Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cap Cl_{\delta_s}(G_2)$ , for any subsets  $G_1, G_2$  of space  $G$ .

**Theorem 3.9.** Let  $G$  be a topological space. Then the following conditions hold:

- (1) Empty set and space  $G$  are  $\delta_s$ -closed.

(2) Arbitrary intersections of  $\delta_s$ -closed sets are  $\delta_s$ -closed.

(3) Finite union of  $\delta_s$ -closed sets are  $\delta_s$ -closed.

*Proof.* (1)  $\emptyset$  and  $G$  are  $\delta_s$ -closed because they are the complement of  $\delta_s$ -open sets  $G$  and  $\emptyset$ , respectively.

(2) Given a collection of  $\delta_s$ -closed sets  $\{F_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$ , we apply DeMorgan's law,

$G - \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} F_\alpha = \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} (G - F_\alpha)$ . Since the sets  $G - F_\alpha$  are  $\delta_s$ -open by definition and arbitrary union of  $\delta_s$ -open sets is  $\delta_s$ -open. Thus  $\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} F_\alpha$  is  $\delta_s$ -closed.

(3) Similarly, if  $F_i$  is  $\delta_s$ -closed for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , consider the equality  $G - \bigcup_{i=1}^n F_i = \bigcap_{i=1}^n (G - F_i)$ . Since finite intersection of  $\delta_s$ -open set is  $\delta_s$ -open. Hence  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n F_i$  is  $\delta_s$ -closed.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.10.** *Let  $G$  be a topological space. Then the intersection of two  $\delta_s$ -neighbourhoods of  $g \in G$  is also a  $\delta_s$ -neighbourhood of  $g$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  be two  $\delta_s$ -neighbourhoods of  $g \in G$ . Then there exists  $\delta_s$ -open sets  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  such that  $g \in G_1 \subseteq N_1$  and  $g \in G_2 \subseteq N_2$ . Therefore,  $g \in G_1 \cap G_2 \subseteq N_1 \cap N_2$ . Thus  $G_1 \cap G_2$  is an  $\delta_s$ -open set containing  $g$  and is contained in  $N_1 \cap N_2$ . This implies that  $N_1 \cap N_2$  is also a  $\delta_s$ -neighbourhood of  $g$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.11.** *Let  $G$  be a topological space. If  $N$  is a  $\delta_s$ -neighbourhood of  $g \in G$  then there exists a  $\delta_s$ -neighbourhood  $M$  of  $g$  which is subset of  $N$  i.e  $M \subseteq N$  such that  $M$  is a  $\delta_s$ -neighbourhood of each of its points.*

*Proof.* Let  $N$  be a  $\delta_s$ -neighbourhood of  $g \in G$ . Then there exists  $\delta_s$ -open set  $M$  such that  $g \in M \subseteq N$ . Now  $M$  being a  $\delta_s$ -open set, it is a  $\delta_s$ -neighbourhood of each of its points. Hence the result follows.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.12.** *A subset of topological space is  $\delta_s$ -open iff it is  $\delta_s$ -neighbourhood of each of its points.*

*Proof.* Let  $G$  be a topological space. Let  $G_1$  be a subset of  $G$ . Let  $N_g$  be  $\delta_s$ -neighbourhood of  $g \in G$ . Then there exists  $\delta_s$ -open set  $G_g$ (say) in  $G$  such that  $g \in G_g \subseteq N_g \subseteq G_1$ . Now  $\bigcup_{g \in G_1} G_g = G_1$ . As arbitrary union of  $\delta_s$ -open sets is also  $\delta_s$ -open. Hence  $G_1$  is  $\delta_s$ -open set. Conversely, if  $G_1$  is  $\delta_s$ -open set, we can take  $N_g = G_1$  for all  $g \in G_1$ . Hence for all  $g \in G_1$ , we have  $N_g \subseteq G_1$ .  $\square$

#### 4. Basic Properties of $\delta_s$ -Open Sets

In this section, the notions of semi-delta-limit point (briefly  $\delta_s$ -limit point), semi-delta-border (briefly  $\delta_s$ -border), semi-delta-frontier (briefly  $\delta_s$ -frontier) and semi-delta-exterior (briefly  $\delta_s$ -exterior) of a subset  $G_1$  of space  $G$  have been introduced and investigated.

**Definition 4.1.** *Let  $G_1$  be a subset of a space  $G$ . A point  $g \in G$  is said to be  $\delta_s$ -limit point of  $G_1$  if for each  $\delta_s$ -open set  $G_2$  containing  $g$ ,  $G_2 \cap (G_1 - \{g\}) \neq \emptyset$ .*

*The set of all  $\delta_s$ -limit points of  $G_1$  is called semi-delta-derived set (briefly  $\delta_s$ -derived set) of  $G_1$  and is denoted by  $D_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .*

**Remark 4.2.** *For a subset  $G_1$  of the space  $G$ , the following results hold.*

(1)  $[G - \text{Int}_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = \text{Cl}_{\delta_s}(G - G_1)$ .

(2)  $\text{Cl}(G_1) \subseteq \text{Cl}_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .

(3)  $G_1$  is  $\delta_s$ -open if and only if  $G_1 = \text{Int}_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .

(4)  $\text{Int}_{\delta_s}[\text{Int}_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = \text{Int}_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .

(5)  $\text{Int}_{\delta_s}(G_1) = [G_1 - D_{\delta_s}(G - G_1)]$ .

$$(6) \quad Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1) = G_1 \cup D_{\delta_s}(G_1).$$

$$(7) \quad Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup Int_{\delta_s}(G_2) \subseteq Int_{\delta_s}(G_1 \cup G_2).$$

**Definition 4.3.**  $\delta_s$ -border of a subset  $G_1$  of space  $G$  is defined and denoted by  $Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1) = G_1 - Int_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .

**Theorem 4.4.** For a subset  $G_1$  of space  $G$ , the following statements hold:

- (1)  $Bd(G_1) \subseteq Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ , where  $Bd(G_1)$  denotes the border of  $G_1$ .
- (2)  $G_1 = Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .
- (3)  $Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cap Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1) = \emptyset$ .
- (4)  $G_1$  is  $\delta_s$ -open set if and only if  $Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1) = \emptyset$ .
- (5)  $Bd_{\delta_s}[Int_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = \emptyset$ .
- (6)  $Int_{\delta_s}[Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = \emptyset$ .
- (7)  $Bd_{\delta_s}[Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .
- (8)  $Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1) = G_1 \cap [Cl_{\delta_s}(G - G_1)]$ .
- (9)  $Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1) = D_{\delta_s}(G - G_1)$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $Bd(G_1) = G_1 \cap (Int(G_1))^c = G_1 \cap Cl(G_1^c)$ . Since  $Cl(G_1) \subseteq Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ , therefore  $Bd(G_1) \subseteq G_1 \cap Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)^c = G_1 \cap (Int_{\delta_s}(G_1))^c = Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .

$$(2) \quad Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1) = Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup [G_1 - Int_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = [Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup G_1] \cap [Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup (Int_{\delta_s}(G_1))^c] = G_1.$$

$$(3) \quad Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cap Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1) = Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cap (G_1 - Int_{\delta_s}(G_1)) = [Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cap (Int_{\delta_s}(G_1))^c] \cap G_1 = \emptyset.$$

(4) If  $G_1$  is  $\delta_s$ -open, then using Remark 4.2,  $Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) = G_1$ . Therefore,  $Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1) = \emptyset$ . Conversely, if  $Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1) = \emptyset \implies G_1 - Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) = \emptyset$ , which implies  $G_1 = Int_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ . Hence  $G_1$  is  $\delta_s$ -open.

$$(5) \quad Bd_{\delta_s}[Int_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) - Int_{\delta_s}(Int_{\delta_s}(G_1)) = \emptyset. \text{ Using Remark 4.2.}$$

(6) If  $g \in Int_{\delta_s}[Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1)]$ , then  $g \in Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ . On the other hand, since  $Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1) \subseteq G_1$ ,  $g \in Int_{\delta_s}[Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1)] \subseteq Int_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ . Hence,  $g \in Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cap Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1)$  which contradicts (3). Thus,  $Int_{\delta_s}[Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = \emptyset$ .

(7)  $Bd_{\delta_s}[Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1) - Int_{\delta_s}[Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = \emptyset$ . Now, using result proved in (6) we get the desired result.

$$(8) \quad Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1) = G_1 - Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) = G_1 - [G - Cl_{\delta_s}(G - G_1)] = G_1 \cap Cl_{\delta_s}(G - G_1).$$

$$(9) \quad Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1) = G_1 - Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) = G_1 - [G_1 - D_{\delta_s}(G - G_1)] = D_{\delta_s}(G - G_1).$$

□

**Definition 4.5.**  $\delta_s$ -frontier of a subset  $G_1$  of space  $G$  is defined and denoted by  $Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1) = Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1) - Int_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .

**Theorem 4.6.** For a subset  $G_1$  of space  $G$ , the following statements hold:

- (1)  $Fr(G_1) \subseteq Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ , where  $Fr(G_1)$  denotes the frontier of  $G_1$ .
- (2)  $Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1) = Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .

- (3)  $Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cap Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1) = \emptyset$ .
- (4)  $Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1) \subseteq Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .
- (5)  $Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1) = Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup D_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .
- (6)  $G_1$  is a  $\delta_s$ -open set if and only if  $Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1) = D_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .
- (7)  $Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1) = Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cap Cl_{\delta_s}(G - G_1)$ .
- (8)  $Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1) = Fr_{\delta_s}(G - G_1)$ .
- (9)  $Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1)$  is  $\delta_s$ -closed.
- (10)  $Fr_{\delta_s}[Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1)] \subseteq Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .
- (11)  $Fr_{\delta_s}[Int_{\delta_s}(G_1)] \subseteq Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .
- (12)  $Fr_{\delta_s}[Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)] \subseteq Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .
- (13)  $Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) = G_1 - Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $Fr(G_1) = Cl(G_1) \cap [Int(G_1)]^c = Cl(G_1) \cap Cl(G_1)^c$ . Since,  $Cl(G_1)^c \subseteq Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)^c$ , therefore,  $Fr(G_1) \subseteq Cl(G_1) \cap Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)^c = Cl(G_1) - Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) = Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .

$$(2) \quad Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1) = Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup [Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1) - Int_{\delta_s}(G_1)] \\ = [Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)] \cap [Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup (G - Int_{\delta_s}(G_1))] = Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1).$$

$$(3) \quad Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cap Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1) = Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cap [Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1) - Int_{\delta_s}(G_1)] \\ = [Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cap Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)] \cap [Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cap (G - Int_{\delta_s}(G_1))] = \emptyset.$$

$$(4) \quad Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1) = G_1 - Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) = G_1 \cap [Int_{\delta_s}(G_1)]^c. \text{ Since } G_1 \subseteq Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1), \text{ therefore } Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1) \subseteq \\ Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cap [Int_{\delta_s}(G_1)]^c = Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1).$$

(5) Since  $Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1) = Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup D_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ . Using Remark 4.2, result proved in (2) and Theorem 4.4. We have,  $Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1) = Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup D_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .

(6) If  $G_1$  is  $\delta_s$ -open, this implies  $Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1) = \emptyset \implies Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1) = D_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ , using result proved in (5). Conversely, if  $Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1) = D_{\delta_s}(G_1)$  then using result proved in (2) and Remark 4.2  $\implies G_1$  is  $\delta_s$ -open.

(7)  $Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1) = Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1) - Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) = Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cap Cl_{\delta_s}(G - G_1)$ . By using Remark 4.2.

(8) From (7),  $Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1) = Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cap Cl_{\delta_s}(G - G_1)$ . Replacing  $G_1$  by  $G - G_1$  we have,  $Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1) = Fr_{\delta_s}(G - G_1)$ .

(9)  $Cl_{\delta_s}[Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = Cl_{\delta_s}[Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cap Cl_{\delta_s}(G - G_1)] \subseteq Cl_{\delta_s}[Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)] \cap Cl_{\delta_s}[Cl_{\delta_s}(G - G_1)] = Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cap \\ Cl_{\delta_s}(G - G_1) = Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ . Hence,  $Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1)$  is  $\delta_s$ -closed.

(10)  $Fr_{\delta_s}[Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = Cl_{\delta_s}[Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1)] \cap Cl_{\delta_s}[G - Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1)] \subseteq Cl_{\delta_s}[Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .

(11)  $Fr_{\delta_s}[Int_{\delta_s} G_1] = Cl_{\delta_s}[Int_{\delta_s}(G_1)] \cap Cl_{\delta_s}[Int_{\delta_s}(G_1)]^c \subseteq Cl_{\delta_s}[Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ . Using result proved in (3).

(12)  $Fr_{\delta_s}[Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = Cl_{\delta_s}[Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)] - Int_{\delta_s}[Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1) - Int_{\delta_s}(Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)) \subseteq [Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1) - \\ Int_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .

(13)  $G_1 - Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1) = G_1 - [Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1) - Int_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = Int_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .

□

**Definition 4.7.**  $\delta_s$ -exterior of a subset  $G_1$  of space  $G$  is defined and denoted by  $Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1) = Int_{\delta_s}(G - G_1)$ .

**Theorem 4.8.** For the subset  $G_1$  of space  $G$ , the following statements hold:

- (1)  $Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1) \subseteq Ext(G_1)$ , where  $Ext(G_1)$  denotes the exterior of  $G_1$ .
  - (2)  $Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1)$  is  $\delta_s$ -open.
  - (3)  $Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1) = Int_{\delta_s}(G - G_1) = G - Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .
  - (4)  $Ext_{\delta_s}[Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = Int_{\delta_s}[Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)]$ .
  - (5) If  $G_1 \subseteq G_2$ , then  $Ext_{\delta_s}(G_2) \subseteq Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .
  - (6)  $Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cap Ext_{\delta_s}(G_2) \subseteq Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1 \cap G_2)$ .
  - (7)  $Ext_{\delta_s}(G) = \emptyset$ .
  - (8)  $Ext_{\delta_s}(\emptyset) = G$ .
  - (9)  $Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1) = Ext_{\delta_s}[G - Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1)]$ .
  - (10)  $Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \subseteq Ext_{\delta_s}[Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1)]$ .
  - (11)  $G = Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .
  - (12)  $Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup Ext_{\delta_s}(G_2) \subseteq Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1 \cap G_2)$ .
- Proof.* (1) Since,  $Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1) = Int_{\delta_s}(G - G_1)$ , therefore,  $Int_{\delta_s}(G - G_1) = G - Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1) \subseteq G - Cl(G_1) = Int(G - G_1) = Ext(G_1)$
- (2) Since  $Int_{\delta_s}(G_1)$  is  $\delta_s$ -open for any subset  $G_1$  of space  $G$ , this implies  $Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1)$  is  $\delta_s$ -open.
- (3) Using result,  $Int_{\delta_s}(G - G_1) = G - Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .
- (4)  $Ext_{\delta_s}[Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = Ext_{\delta_s}[G - Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = Int_{\delta_s}[G - (G - Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1))] = Int_{\delta_s}[Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)]$ .
- (5) As  $G_1 \subseteq G_2 \implies G - G_2 \subseteq G - G_1$ . Therefore,  $Ext_{\delta_s}(G_2) = Int_{\delta_s}(G - G_2) \subseteq Int_{\delta_s}(G - G_1) = Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .
- (6) Using the fact,  $G_1 \cap G_2 \subseteq G_1$ ,  $G_1 \cap G_2 \subseteq G_2$  and result proved in (5).
- (7)  $Ext_{\delta_s}(G) = Int_{\delta_s}(\emptyset) = \emptyset$ .
- (8)  $Ext_{\delta_s}(\emptyset) = Int_{\delta_s}(G)$ .
- (9)  $Ext_{\delta_s}[G - Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = Ext_{\delta_s}[G - Int_{\delta_s}(G - G_1)] = Int_{\delta_s}[Int_{\delta_s}(G - G_1)] = Int_{\delta_s}(G - G_1) = Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ .
- (10)  $Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \subseteq Int_{\delta_s}[Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = Int_{\delta_s}[G - Int_{\delta_s}(G - G_1)] = Int_{\delta_s}[G - Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1)] = Ext_{\delta_s}[Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1)]$ .
- (11)  $Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup Fr_{\delta_s}(G_1) = Int_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup Int_{\delta_s}(G - G_1) \cup Bd_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup D_{\delta_s}(G_1) = G$ .
- (12)  $Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1) \cup Ext_{\delta_s}(G_2) = Int_{\delta_s}(G - G_1) \cup Int_{\delta_s}(G - G_2) \subseteq Int_{\delta_s}[(G - G_1) \cup (G - G_2)] = Int_{\delta_s}[G - (G_1 \cap G_2)] = Ext_{\delta_s}(G_1 \cap G_2)$ .

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### 5. $\delta_s$ -Open Functions, $\delta_s$ -Closed Functions and $\delta_s$ -Continuous Functions

In this section, we introduce the concepts of  $\delta_s$ -open,  $\delta_s$ -closed, and  $\delta_s$ -continuous functions and further study their properties.

**Definition 5.1.** Let  $G$  and  $K$  be topological spaces. A function  $g : G \rightarrow K$  is  $\delta_s$ -open if  $g(G_1)$  is  $\delta_s$ -open in  $K$  for each open set  $G_1$  in  $G$ .

**Definition 5.2.** Let  $G$  and  $K$  be topological spaces. A function  $g : G \rightarrow K$  is  $\delta_s$ -closed if  $g(G_1)$  is  $\delta_s$ -closed in  $K$  for every closed set  $G_1$  in  $G$ .

**Definition 5.3.** A function  $g : (G, \tau) \rightarrow (K, \sigma)$  is said to be  $\delta_s$ -continuous function if  $g^{-1}(K_1)$  is  $\delta_s$ -open for every open set  $K_1$  of  $K$ .

**Theorem 5.4.** Let  $G$  and  $K$  be topological spaces and  $g : G \rightarrow K$  be a function. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1)  $g$  is  $\delta_s$ -closed on  $G$ .
- (2)  $Cl_{\delta_s}(g(G_1)) \subseteq g(Cl(G_1))$  for every  $G_1 \subseteq G$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\implies$  (2) Let  $G_1 \subseteq G$ . Note that  $g(G_1) \subseteq g[Cl(G_1)]$  and  $g[Cl(G_1)]$  is  $\delta_s$ -closed. As  $\delta_s$ -closure of  $G_1$  is the smallest  $\delta_s$ -closed set containing  $G_1$ . Therefore,  $Cl_{\delta_s}[g(G_1)] \subseteq g[Cl(G_1)]$ .

(2)  $\implies$  (1) Let  $G_1$  be closed set in  $G$ . By assumption,  $g(G_1) \subseteq Cl_{\delta_s}[g(G_1)] \subseteq g[Cl(G_1)] = g(G_1)$ . Thus,  $g(G_1)$  is  $\delta_s$ -closed. Therefore,  $g$  is  $\delta_s$ -closed in  $G$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 5.5.** Let  $g : (G, \tau) \rightarrow (K, \sigma)$  be  $\delta_s$ -closed. If  $K_1 \subseteq K$  and  $G_1 \subseteq G$  is an open set containing  $g^{-1}(K_1)$ , then there exists a  $\delta_s$ -open set  $K_2 \subseteq K$  containing  $K_1$  such that  $g^{-1}(K_2) \subseteq G_1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $K_2 = K - g(G - G_1)$ . Since  $g^{-1}(K_1) \subseteq G_1$ , we have  $g(G - G_1) \subseteq (K - K_1)$ . Since  $g$  is  $\delta_s$ -closed, then  $K_2$  is a  $\delta_s$ -open set and  $g^{-1}(K_2) = G - g^{-1}[g(G - G_1)] \subseteq G - (G - G_1) = G_1$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 5.6.** Suppose that  $g : (G, \tau) \rightarrow (K, \sigma)$  is a  $\delta_s$ -closed function. Then  $Int_{\delta_s}[Cl_{\delta_s}(g(G_1))] \subseteq g(Cl(G_1))$  for every subset  $G_1$  of  $G$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $g$  is a  $\delta_s$ -closed function and  $G_1$  is an arbitrary subset of  $G$ . Then  $g[Cl(G_1)]$  is  $\delta_s$ -closed set in  $K$ . Then  $Int_{\delta_s}[Cl_{\delta_s}(g(Cl(G_1)))] \subseteq g[Cl(G_1)]$ . But also  $Int_{\delta_s}[Cl_{\delta_s}(g(G_1))] \subseteq Int_{\delta_s}[Cl_{\delta_s}(g(Cl(G_1)))]$ . Hence  $Int_{\delta_s}[Cl_{\delta_s}(g(G_1))] \subseteq g(Cl(G_1))$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 5.7.** Let  $g : (G, \tau) \rightarrow (K, \sigma)$  be a  $\delta_s$ -closed function, and  $K_1, K_2 \subseteq K$ . Then the following statements hold:

- (1) If  $U$  is an open neighbourhood of  $g^{-1}(K_1)$ , then there exists a  $\delta_s$ -open neighbourhood  $V$  of  $K_1$  such that  $g^{-1}(K_1) \subseteq g^{-1}(V) \subseteq U$ .
- (2) If  $g$  is also onto, then if  $g^{-1}(K_1)$  and  $g^{-1}(K_2)$  have disjoint open neighbourhoods, so have  $K_1$  and  $K_2$ .

*Proof.* (1) Let  $V = K - g(G - U)$ . Then  $K - V = g(G - U)$ . Since  $g$  is  $\delta_s$ -closed, so  $V$  is a  $\delta_s$ -open set. Since  $g^{-1}(K_1) \subseteq U$ , we have  $K - V = g(G - U) \subseteq g[g^{-1}(K - K_1)] \subseteq (K - K_1)$ . Hence,  $K_1 \subseteq V$ , thus  $V$  is a  $\delta_s$ -neighbourhood of  $K_1$ . Further  $G - U \subseteq g^{-1}[g(G - U)] = g^{-1}(K - V) = G - g^{-1}(V)$ . This proves that  $g^{-1}(V) \subseteq U$ .

(2) If  $g^{-1}(K_1)$  and  $g^{-1}(K_2)$  have disjoint open neighbourhoods  $M$  and  $N$ , then by (1), we have  $\delta_s$ -open neighbourhoods  $U$  and  $V$  of  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  respectively such that  $g^{-1}(K_1) \subseteq g^{-1}(U) \subseteq Int_{\delta_s}(M)$  and  $g^{-1}(K_2) \subseteq g^{-1}(V) \subseteq Int_{\delta_s}(N)$ . Since  $M$  and  $N$  are disjoint, so are  $Int_{\delta_s}(M)$  and  $Int_{\delta_s}(N)$ , hence so  $g^{-1}(U)$  and  $g^{-1}(V)$  are disjoint as well. It follows that  $U$  and  $V$  are disjoint too, as  $g$  is onto.  $\square$

**Theorem 5.8.** *Prove that a surjective mapping  $g : (G, \tau) \rightarrow (K, \sigma)$  is  $\delta_s$ -closed, if and only if for each subset  $K_1$  of  $K$  and each open set  $G_1$  in  $G$  containing  $g^{-1}(K_1)$ , there exists a  $\delta_s$ -open set  $V$  in  $K$  containing  $K_1$  such that  $g^{-1}(V) \subseteq G_1$ .*

*Proof. Necessity.* Follows from (1) of Theorem 5.7.

*Sufficiency.* Suppose  $F$  is an arbitrary closed set in  $G$ . Let  $k$  be an arbitrary point in  $K - g(F)$ . Then  $g^{-1}(k) \subseteq G - g^{-1}[g(F)] \subseteq (G - F)$  and  $(G - F)$  is open in  $G$ . By using assumption, there exists a  $\delta_s$ -open set  $V_k$  containing  $k$  such that  $g^{-1}(V_k) \subseteq (G - F)$ . This implies that  $k \in V_k \subseteq [K - g(F)]$ . Thus  $K - g(F) = \cup\{V_k : k \in K - g(F)\}$ . Hence  $K - g(F)$ , being a union of  $\delta_s$ -open sets, is  $\delta_s$ -open. Thus its complement  $g(F)$  is  $\delta_s$ -closed. Which proves that  $g$  is  $\delta_s$ -closed.  $\square$

**Theorem 5.9.** *Let  $G$  and  $K$  be topological spaces and  $g : G \rightarrow K$  be a function. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $g$  is  $\delta_s$ -continuous on  $G$ .
- (2)  $g^{-1}(F)$  is  $\delta_s$ -closed in  $G$  for each closed subset  $F$  of  $K$ .
- (3)  $g^{-1}(K_1)$  is  $\delta_s$ -open for each basic open set  $K_1$  in  $K$ .
- (4) For every  $p \in G$  and every open set  $V$  of  $K$  containing  $g(p)$ , there exists a  $\delta_s$ -open set  $U$  containing  $p$  such that  $g(U) \subseteq V$ .
- (5)  $g[Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)] \subseteq Cl[g(G_1)]$  for each  $G_1 \subseteq G$ .
- (6)  $Cl_{\delta_s}[g^{-1}(K_1)] \subseteq g^{-1}(Cl(K_1))$ .
- (7)  $Bd_{\delta_s}[g^{-1}(K_1)] \subseteq g^{-1}[Bd(K_1)]$ , for every  $K_1 \subseteq K$ .
- (8)  $g[D_{\delta_s}(G_1)] \subseteq Cl[g(G_1)]$ , for every  $G_1 \subseteq G$ .
- (9)  $g^{-1}[Int(K_1)] \subseteq Int_{\delta_s}[g^{-1}(K_1)]$ , for every  $K_1 \subseteq K$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\implies$  (2) Let  $F$  be closed subset of  $K$ , then its complement is open in  $K$ . By using assumption,  $g^{-1}(K/F) = g^{-1}(K)/g^{-1}(F) = G/g^{-1}(F)$  is  $\delta_s$ -open which implies that  $g^{-1}(F)$  is  $\delta_s$ -closed in  $G$ .

(2)  $\implies$  (1) Let  $F$  be an open set in  $K$  then  $K/F$  is closed in  $K$ , by using assumption,  $g^{-1}(K/F)$  is  $\delta_s$ -closed in  $G$ , which implies  $g^{-1}(F)$  is  $\delta_s$ -open in  $G$ . Hence  $g$  is  $\delta_s$ -continuous.

(2)  $\implies$  (3) Let  $K_1$  be basic open set in  $K$ . Then  $K/K_1$  is closed in  $K$ , therefore  $g^{-1}(G/K_1)$  is  $\delta_s$ -closed in  $G$ , which implies  $g^{-1}(K_1)$  is  $\delta_s$ -open.

(3)  $\implies$  (4) For each  $p \in G$  and every open set  $V$  of  $K$  containing  $g(p)$ . Then  $U = g^{-1}(V)$  is  $\delta_s$ -open in  $G$ , which implies  $g(U) \subseteq V$

(4)  $\implies$  (5) Let  $G_1 \subseteq G$  and  $p \in Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)$ . Let  $V$  be an open neighbourhood of  $g(p)$  and  $U$  be  $\delta_s$ -open set in  $G$  containing  $p$ , such that  $g(U) \subseteq V$ . Since  $p \in Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)$  implies  $U \cap G_1 \neq \emptyset$ . Hence  $\emptyset \neq g(U \cap G_1) \subseteq g(U) \cap g(G_1) \subseteq V \cap g(G_1)$ . Since choice of  $V$  is arbitrary  $\implies$  every neighbourhood of  $g(p)$  intersect  $g(G_1) \implies g(p) \in Cl(g(G_1))$ . Hence  $g[Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)] \subseteq Cl[g(G_1)]$  for each  $G_1 \subseteq G$ .

(5)  $\implies$  (6) Let  $G_1 = g^{-1}(K_1)$  then using assumption,  $g[Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)] \subseteq Cl[g(G_1)] = Cl[g(g^{-1}(K_1))] = Cl(K_1)$ . Hence  $Cl_{\delta_s}[g^{-1}(K_1)] \subseteq g^{-1}[Cl(K_1)]$ .

(7)  $\implies$  (9) Let  $K_1 \subseteq K$ . Then by hypothesis,  $Bd_{\delta_s}[g^{-1}(K_1)] \subseteq g^{-1}[Bd(K_1)]$   
 $\implies g^{-1}(K_1) - Int_{\delta_s}[g^{-1}(K_1)] \subseteq g^{-1}[K_1 - Int(K_1)] = g^{-1}(K_1) - g^{-1}[Int(K_1)]$   
 $\implies g^{-1}[Int(K_1)] \subseteq Int_{\delta_s}[g^{-1}(K_1)]$ .

(9)  $\implies$  (7) Let  $K_1 \subseteq K$ . Then by hypothesis,  $g^{-1}[Int(K_1)] \subseteq Int_{\delta_s}[g^{-1}(K_1)]$   
 $\implies g^{-1}(K_1) - Int_{\delta_s}[g^{-1}(K_1)] \subseteq g^{-1}(K_1) - g^{-1}[Int(K_1)] = g^{-1}[K_1 - Int(K_1)]$   
 $\implies Bd_{\delta_s}[g^{-1}(K_1)] \subseteq g^{-1}[Bd(K_1)]$ .

(1)  $\implies$  (8) It is obvious, since  $g$  is  $\delta_s$ -continuous, by (5),  $g(Cl_{\delta_s}(G_1)) \subseteq Cl(g(G_1))$  for each  $G_1 \subseteq G$ . So  $g[D_{\delta_s}(G_1)] \subseteq Cl[g(G_1)]$ .

(8)  $\implies$  (1) Let  $K_1 \subseteq K$  be an open set,  $V = K - K_1$  and  $g^{-1}(V) = W$ . Then by hypothesis,  $g[D_{\delta_s}(W)] \subseteq Cl[g(W)]$ . Thus  $g[D_{\delta_s}(g^{-1}(V))] \subseteq Cl[g(g^{-1}(V))] \subseteq Cl(V) = V$ . Then  $D_{\delta_s}[g^{-1}(V)] \subseteq g^{-1}(V)$  and  $g^{-1}(V)$  is  $\delta_s$ -closed. Therefore  $g$  is  $\delta_s$ -continuous.

(1)  $\implies$  (9) Let  $K_1 \subseteq K$ . Then  $g^{-1}[Int(K_1)]$  is  $\delta_s$ -open in  $G$ . Thus  $g^{-1}[Int(K_1)] = Int_{\delta_s}[g^{-1}(Int(K_1))] \subseteq Int_{\delta_s}[g^{-1}(K_1)]$ . Therefore  $g^{-1}[Int(K_1)] \subseteq Int_{\delta_s}[g^{-1}(K_1)]$ .

(9)  $\implies$  (1) Let  $K_1 \subseteq K$  be an open set. Then  $g^{-1}(K_1) = g^{-1}[Int(K_1)] \subseteq Int_{\delta_s}[g^{-1}(K_1)]$ . Therefore  $g^{-1}(K_1)$  is  $\delta_s$ -open. Hence  $g$  is  $\delta_s$ -continuous.  $\square$

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