



Somewhat (γ, β) -semicontinuous functions

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ABSTRACT: In this paper, some new classes of functions are introduced and studied by making use of γ -semiopen sets and γ -semiclosed sets.

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1. Introduction

Generalized open sets play a very important role in General Topology and they are now the research topics of many topologists worldwide. Indeed a significant theme in General Topology and Real analysis concerns the various modified forms of continuity, separation axioms etc. by utilizing generalized open sets. Andrijevic [1] introduced a class of generalized open sets in a topological space, so called b -open sets. Kasahara [4] defined the concept of an operation on topological spaces and introduced the concept of γ -closed graphs of a function. Ogata [5] introduced the notion of γ -open sets in a topological space (X, τ) . Gentry and Hoyle [3] introduced the concepts of somewhat continuous functions and Santhileela and Balasubramanian [7] introduced the concepts of somewhat semicontinuous functions and somewhat semiopen functions. In this paper, some new classes of functions are introduced and studied by making use of γ -semiopen sets and γ -semiclosed sets.

2. Preliminaries

Definition 2.1 [4] Let (X, τ) be a topological space. An operation γ on the topology τ is a function from τ on to power set $\mathcal{P}(X)$ of X such that $V \subset V^\gamma$ for each $V \in \tau$, where V^γ denotes the value of γ at V . It is denoted by $\gamma : \tau \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$.

Definition 2.2 A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is said to be γ -open set [5] if for each $x \in A$ there exists an open neighborhood U of x such that $U^\gamma \subset A$. The complement of a γ -open set is called a γ -closed set. τ_γ denotes the set of all γ -open sets in (X, τ) .

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Definition 2.3 [5] Let A be subset of a topological space (X, τ) . Then

- (i) the τ_γ -closure of A is defined as intersection of all γ -closed sets containing A . That is, $\tau_\gamma\text{-Cl}(A) = \cap\{F : F \text{ is } \gamma\text{-closed and } A \subset F\}$.
- (ii) the τ_γ -interior of A is defined as union of all γ -open sets contained in A . That is, $\tau_\gamma\text{-Int}(A) = \cup\{U : U \text{ is } \gamma\text{-open and } U \subset A\}$.

Definition 2.4 Let (X, τ) be a topological space. A subset A of X is said to be γ -semiopen [6] if $A \subset \tau_\gamma\text{-Cl}(\tau_\gamma\text{-Int}(A))$. $\gamma\text{-SO}(X, \tau)$ denotes the set of all γ -semi open subsets in (X, τ) .

Definition 2.5 [6] Let A be subset of a topological space (X, τ) . Then

- (i) the τ_γ -semiclosure of A is defined as intersection of all γ -semiclosed sets containing A . That is, $\tau_\gamma\text{-sCl}(A) = \cap\{F : F \text{ is } \gamma\text{-semiclosed and } A \subset F\}$.
- (ii) the τ_γ -semiinterior of A is defined as union of all γ -semiopen sets contained in A . That is, $\tau_\gamma\text{-sInt}(A) = \cup\{U : U \text{ is } \gamma\text{-semiopen and } U \subset A\}$.

3. Somewhat (γ, β) -continuous functions

Throughout this paper (X, τ) , (Y, σ) and (Z, η) are three topological spaces and $\gamma : \tau \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$, $\beta : \sigma \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(Y)$ and $\alpha : \eta \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(Z)$ be operation on τ , σ and η , respectively. Also, the sets $\tau_\gamma, \sigma_\beta, \gamma\text{-SO}(X, \tau)$ and $\beta\text{-SO}(Y, \sigma)$ are fundamental in order to define a new class of functions.

Definition 3.1 A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be somewhat (γ, β) -semicontinuous if for $U \in \sigma_\beta$ and $f^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$, there exists a γ -semiopen set, say, V in X such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset f^{-1}(U)$.

Example 3.2 Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\tau = \sigma = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$. Let $\gamma = \beta : \sigma \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ be operations defined as follows:

$$A^\gamma = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } b \notin A, \\ \text{Cl}(A) & \text{if } b \in A. \end{cases}$$

Then the function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ defined as: $f(a) = a, f(b) = c$ and $f(c) = b$ is somewhat (γ, β) -semicontinuous.

Definition 3.3 A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be:

- (i) (γ, β) -semicontinuous [2] if for each $U \in \sigma_\beta$, there exists a γ -semiopen set V in X such that $V \subset f^{-1}(U)$.
- (ii) (γ, β) -continuous [2] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is γ -closed for each β -closed subset V of Y .

Example 3.4 Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\tau = \sigma = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$. Let $\gamma : \tau \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ be an operation defined as follows:

$$A^\gamma = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } b \notin A, \\ \text{Cl}(A) & \text{if } b \in A, \end{cases}$$

Let $\beta : \sigma \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ be operations defined as follows:

$$A^\beta = \begin{cases} \text{Cl}(A) & \text{if } b \notin A, \\ A & \text{if } b \in A. \end{cases}$$

Then the function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ defined as: $f(a) = c, f(b) = b$ and $f(c) = a$ is (γ, β) -semicontinuous and $g : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ defined as: $g(a) = a, g(b) = c$ and $g(c) = b$ is (γ, β) -continuous.

It is clear that every (γ, β) -semicontinuous function is somewhat (γ, β) -continuous but the converse is not true in general as shown by the following example.

Example 3.5 Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$. Let $\gamma : \tau \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ and $\beta : \sigma \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ be operations defined as follows:

$$A^\gamma = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } b \notin A, \\ \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(A)) & \text{if } b \in A, \end{cases} \text{ and } A^\beta = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } c \in A, \\ A \cup \{c\} & \text{if } c \notin A. \end{cases}$$

Then the identity function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is somewhat (γ, β) -semicontinuous but not (γ, β) -semicontinuous.

Proposition 3.6 If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is somewhat (γ, β) -continuous and $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is (β, α) -continuous, then $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is somewhat (γ, α) -continuous.

Proof: Clear. □

Definition 3.7 A subset M of a topological space (X, τ) is said to be γ -semidense (resp. γ -dense) in X if there is no proper γ -semiclosed (resp. γ -closed) set C in X such that $M \subset C \subset X$.

Proposition 3.8 For a surjective function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$, the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) f is somewhat (γ, β) -semicontinuous.
- (ii) If C is a β -closed subset of Y such that $f^{-1}(C) \neq X$, then there is a proper γ -semiclosed subset D of X such that $D \supset f^{-1}(C)$.
- (iii) If A is a γ -semiopen subset of Y such that $f^{-1}(A) \neq X$, then there is a proper γ -semiopen subset B of X such that $f^{-1}(A) = B$.

(iv) If M is a γ -semidense subset of X , then $f(M)$ is a β -dense subset of $f(X)$.

Proof: (i) \Rightarrow (ii): Let C be a β -closed subset of Y such that $f^{-1}(C) \neq X$. Then $Y \setminus C$ is a β -open set in Y such that $f^{-1}(Y \setminus C) = X \setminus f^{-1}(C) \neq \emptyset$. By (i), there exists a γ -semiopen set V in X such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset f^{-1}(Y \setminus C) = X \setminus f^{-1}(C)$. This means that $X \setminus V \supset f^{-1}(C)$ and $X \setminus V = D$ is a proper γ -semiclosed set in X . (ii) \Rightarrow (i): Let $U \in \sigma_\beta$ and $f^{-1}(U) \neq X$. Then $Y \setminus U$ is γ -closed and $f^{-1}(Y \setminus U) = X \setminus f^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$. By (ii), there exists a proper γ -semiclosed set D such that $D \supset f^{-1}(Y \setminus U)$. This implies that $X \setminus D \subset f^{-1}(U)$ and $X \setminus D$ is γ -semiopen and $X \setminus D \neq \emptyset$.

(ii) \Leftrightarrow (iii): Clear.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iv): Let M be a γ -semidense set in X . Suppose that $f(M)$ is not γ -dense in Y . Then there exists a proper β -closed set C in Y such that $f(M) \subset C \subset Y$. Clearly $f^{-1}(C) \neq X$. By (ii), there exists a proper γ -semiclosed set D such that $M \subset f^{-1}(C) \subset D \subset X$. This is a contradiction to the fact that M is β -dense in X .

(iv) \Rightarrow (ii): Suppose (ii) is not true. This means that there exists a β -closed set C in Y such that $f^{-1}(C) \neq X$ but there is no proper γ -semiclosed set D in X such that $f^{-1}(C) \subset D$. This means that $f^{-1}(C)$ is γ -semidense in X . But by (iv), $f(f^{-1}(C)) = C$ must be β -dense in Y , which is a contradiction to the choice of C . \square

Definition 3.9 A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be somewhat (γ, β) -semiopen provided that if $U \in \tau_\gamma$ and $U \neq \emptyset$, then there exists β -semiopen set V in Y such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset f(U)$.

Example 3.10 Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\tau = \sigma = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$. Let $\gamma = \beta : \sigma \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ be operations defined as follows:

$$A^\gamma = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } b \notin A, \\ \text{Cl}(A) & \text{if } b \in A. \end{cases}$$

Then the function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ defined as: $f(a) = a, f(b) = c$ and $f(c) = b$ is somewhat (γ, β) -semiopen.

Definition 3.11 A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be (γ, β) -semiopen [2] provided that if $U \in \tau_\gamma$, then there exists a β -semiopen set V in Y such that $V \subset f(U)$.

Clearly every (γ, β) -semiopen function is somewhat (γ, β) -open but the converse is not true in general as the following example shows.

Example 3.12 Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, X, \{c\}, \{a, b\}\}$. Let $\gamma : \tau \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ and $\beta : \sigma \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ be operations defined as follows:

$$A^\gamma = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } c \in A, \\ A \cup \{c\} & \text{if } c \notin A, \end{cases} \text{ and } A^\beta = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } a \in A, \\ A \cup \{c\} & \text{if } a \notin A. \end{cases}$$

Then the function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ defined by $f(a) = a$, $f(b) = f(c) = c$ is somewhat (γ, β) -semiopen but not (γ, β) -semiopen.

Proposition 3.13 For a bijective function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$, the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) f is somewhat (γ, β) -semiopen.
- (ii) If C is a γ -closed subset of X , such that $f(C) \neq Y$, then there is a β -semiclosed subset D of Y such that $D \neq Y$ and $D \supset f(C)$.

Proof: (i) \Rightarrow (ii): Let C be any γ -closed subset of X such that $f(C) \neq Y$. Then $X \setminus C$ is γ -open in X and $X \setminus C \neq \emptyset$. Since f is somewhat (γ, β) -open, there exists β -open set $V \neq \emptyset$ in Y such that $V \subset f(X \setminus C)$. Put $D = Y \setminus V$. Clearly D is β -semiclosed in Y and we claim $D \neq Y$. If $D = Y$, then $V = \emptyset$, which is a contradiction. Since $V \subset f(X \setminus C)$, $D = Y \setminus V \supset (Y \setminus f(X \setminus C)) = f(C)$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i): Let U be any nonempty γ -open subset of X . Then $C = X \setminus U$ is a γ -closed set in X and $f(X \setminus U) = f(C) = Y \setminus f(U)$ implies $f(C) \neq Y$. Therefore, by (ii), there is a β -semiclosed set D of Y such that $D \neq Y$ and $f(C) \subset D$. Clearly $V = Y \setminus D$ is a β -semiopen set and $V \neq \emptyset$. Also, $V = Y \setminus D \subset Y \setminus f(C) = Y \setminus f(X \setminus U) = f(U)$. \square

Proposition 3.14 For a function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$, the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) f is somewhat (γ, β) -semiopen.
- (ii) If A is a β -semidense subset of Y , Then $f^{-1}(A)$ is a γ -dense subset of X .

Proof: (i) \Rightarrow (ii): Suppose A is a β -semidense set in Y . We want to show that $f^{-1}(A)$ is a γ -dense subset of X . Suppose not, then there exists a γ -closed set B in X such that $f^{-1}(A) \subset B \subset X$. Since f is somewhat (γ, β) -semiopen and $X \setminus B$ is γ -open, there exists a nonempty β -semiopen set C in Y such that $C \subset f(X \setminus B)$. Therefore, $C \subset f(X \setminus B) \subset f(f^{-1}(X \setminus A)) \subseteq X \setminus A$. That is, $A \subset X \setminus C \subset X$. Now, $X \setminus C$ is a β -semiclosed set and $A \subset X \setminus C \subset X$. This implies that A is not a β -semidense set in X , which is a contradiction. Therefore, $f^{-1}(A)$ must be γ -dense set in X .

(ii) \Rightarrow (i): Suppose A be a nonempty γ -open subset of X . We want to show that $\sigma_{\beta-s} \text{Int}(f(A)) \neq \emptyset$. Suppose $\sigma_{\beta-s} \text{Int}(f(A)) = \emptyset$. Then, $\sigma_{\beta-s} \text{Cl}(Y \setminus f(A)) = Y$. Therefore, by (ii), $f^{-1}(Y \setminus f(A))$ is γ -dense in X . But $f^{-1}(Y \setminus f(A)) \subseteq X \setminus A$. Now, $X \setminus A$ is γ -closed. Therefore, $f^{-1}(Y \setminus f(A)) \subseteq X \setminus A$ gives $\sigma_{\gamma}\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(Y \setminus f(A))) \subseteq X \setminus A$. This implies that $A = \emptyset$, which is contradiction to $A \neq \emptyset$. Therefore, $\sigma_{\beta-s} \text{Int}(f(A)) \neq \emptyset$. This proves that f is somewhat (γ, β) -semiopen. \square

4. γ -semiresolvable spaces and γ -semiirresolvable spaces

In this section we define and characterize the spaces γ -semiresolvable and γ -resolvable using the notions of γ -semidense and γ -dense set.

Definition 4.1 *A topological space (X, τ) is said to be:*

- (i) γ -semiresolvable if there exists a γ -semidense set A in (X, τ) such that $X \setminus A$ is also γ -semidense in (X, τ) . Otherwise, (X, τ) is called γ -semiirresolvable.
- (ii) γ -resolvable if there exists a γ -dense set A in (X, τ) such that $X \setminus A$ is also γ -dense in (X, τ) . Otherwise, (X, τ) is called γ -irresolvable.

Example 4.2 *Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$. Let $\gamma : \tau \rightarrow (\mathcal{P}X)$ be an operation defined as follows:*

$$A^\gamma = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } b \notin A, \\ \text{Cl}(A) & \text{if } b \in A. \end{cases}$$

Then the space (X, τ) is γ -semiirresolvable and γ -resolvable.

Proposition 4.3 *For a topological space (X, τ) , the following statements are equivalent:*

- (i) (X, τ) is γ -semiresolvable;
- (ii) (X, τ) has a pair of γ -semidense sets A and B such that $A \subseteq X \setminus B$.

Proof: (i) \Rightarrow (ii): Suppose that $X \setminus B \subset A$ for all γ -semidense sets A and B in X . Then $\tau_\gamma\text{-Cl}(X \setminus B) \subset \tau_{\gamma-s}\text{Cl}(A)$. Since A is γ -dense, $\tau_{\gamma-s}\text{Cl}(X \setminus B) \subset X$. That is, $\tau_{\gamma-s}\text{Cl}(X \setminus B) \neq X$. In a similar manner, we have $\tau_{\gamma-s}\text{Cl}(X \setminus A) \neq X$ for all γ -semidense sets A in X , which is a contradiction to X being a γ -semiresolvable space. Therefore, (X, τ) has a pair of γ -semidense sets A and B such that $A \subseteq X \setminus B$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i): Suppose that (X, τ) is a γ -semiirresolvable space. Then for all γ -semidense sets, say, A_i in (X, τ) , we have $\tau_{\gamma-s}\text{Cl}(X \setminus A_i) \neq X$. In particular, $\tau_\gamma\text{-Cl}(X \setminus A_2) \neq X$. That is, there exists a γ -closed set B in (X, τ) such that $X \setminus B \subset C \subset X$. Then $A \subset X \setminus B \subset C \subset X$, which is a contradiction to A being a γ -semidense set in X ; hence (X, τ) is γ -semiresolvable. \square

Proposition 4.4 *For a topological space (X, τ) , the following statements are equivalent:*

- (i) (X, τ) is γ -irresolvable;
- (ii) For all γ -dense sets A in X , $\tau_\gamma\text{-Int}(A) \neq \emptyset$.

Proof: (i) \Rightarrow (ii): Let A be any γ -dense subset of X . Since (X, τ) is γ -irresolvable, $\tau_\gamma\text{-Cl}(X \setminus A) \neq X$; follows $\tau_\gamma\text{-Cl}(X \setminus A) = X \setminus \tau_\gamma\text{-Int}(A) \neq X$. And therefore, $\tau_\gamma\text{-Int}(A) \neq \emptyset$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i): Suppose that (X, τ) is a γ -resolvable space. Then by Definition 4.1 (ii), there exists a γ -dense set A in (X, τ) such that $X \setminus A$ is also γ -dense in X . It follows that, $\tau_\gamma\text{-Cl}(X \setminus A) = X = X \setminus \tau_\gamma\text{-Int}(A)$, and therefore, $\tau_\gamma\text{-Int}(A) = \emptyset$, which is a contradiction; hence (X, τ) is γ -irresolvable. \square

Proposition 4.5 *If $\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i = X$, where A_i 's are subsets of X such that $\tau_\gamma\text{-Int}(A_i) = \emptyset$, then (X, τ) is a γ -resolvable space.*

Proof: By hypothesis, we have $\bigcap_{i=1}^n (X \setminus A_i) = \emptyset$. Then, there must be at least two nonempty disjoint subsets $X \setminus A_i$ and $X \setminus A_j$ in X . That is, $X \setminus A_i \cup X \setminus A_j \neq \emptyset$. Then $vA_i \subseteq A_j$; follows that, $X = \tau_\gamma\text{-Cl}(X \setminus A_i) \subseteq \tau_\gamma\text{-Cl}(A_j)$. Hence, $\tau_\gamma\text{-Cl}(A_j) = X$. Therefore, (X, τ) has a γ -dense set A_j such that $\tau_\gamma\text{-Cl}(X \setminus A_j) = X$. Hence (X, τ) is a γ -resolvable space. \square

Proposition 4.6 *If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is a somewhat (γ, β) -semiopen function and $\sigma_{\beta\text{-}s}\text{Int}(A) = \emptyset$ for a nonempty set A in Y , then $\tau_\gamma\text{-Int}(f^{-1}(A)) = \emptyset$.*

Proof: Let A be a nonempty set in Y such that $\sigma_{\beta\text{-}s}\text{Int}(A) = \emptyset$. Then $\sigma_{\beta\text{-}s}\text{Cl}(Y \setminus A) = Y \setminus \sigma_{\beta\text{-}s}\text{Int}(A) = Y$. Since f is somewhat (γ, β) -semiopen and $Y \setminus A$ is β -dense in Y , using Proposition 3.14, $f^{-1}(Y \setminus A)$ is γ -dense in X . Then, $\tau_\gamma\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(Y \setminus A)) = \tau_\gamma\text{-Cl}(X \setminus f^{-1}(A)) = X \setminus \tau_\gamma\text{-Int}(f^{-1}(A)) = X$; hence $\tau_\gamma\text{-Int}(f^{-1}(A)) = \emptyset$. \square

Proposition 4.7 *Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a somewhat (γ, β) -semiopen function. If X is γ -irresolvable, then Y is β -semiirresolvable.*

Proof: Let A be a nonempty set in Y such that $\sigma_{\beta\text{-}s}\text{Cl}(A) = Y$. We show that $\sigma_{\beta\text{-}s}\text{Int}(A) \neq \emptyset$. Suppose not, then $\sigma_{\beta\text{-}s}\text{Cl}(Y \setminus A) = Y$. Since f is somewhat (γ, β) -semiopen and $Y \setminus A$ is β -semidense in Y , we have $f^{-1}(Y \setminus A)$ is γ -dense in X . Then $\tau_\gamma\text{-Int}(f^{-1}(A)) = \emptyset$. Now, A is β -semidense in Y , $f^{-1}(A)$ is γ -dense in X . Therefore, for the γ -dense set $f^{-1}(A)$, we have $\sigma_\gamma\text{-Int}(f^{-1}(A)) = \emptyset$, which is a contradiction to Proposition 4.4. Hence we must have $\sigma_{\beta\text{-}s}\text{Int}(A) \neq \emptyset$ for all β -semidense sets A in Y . Hence by Proposition 4.4, Y is β -semiirresolvable. \square

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