

By $\pi\text{GBC}(\tau)$ we mean the family of all πgb - closed subsets of the space (X, τ) .

Definition 2.3: A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called

- 1) πgb - continuous [12] if every $f^{-1}(V)$ is πgb - closed in (X, τ) for every closed set V of (Y, σ) .
- 2) πgb - irresolute [12] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is πgb - closed in (X, τ) for every πgb -closed set V in (Y, σ) .

Definition 2.4[13]: A map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be πgb -open if for every open set F of X , $f(F)$ is πgb -open in Y .

Definition 2.5[13]: A map $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be a M - πgb -open map if the image $f(A)$ is πgb -open in Y for every πgb -open set A in X .

Definition 2.6: A subset D of a topological space X is said to be dense (or everywhere dense) in X if the closure of D is equal to X . Equivalently, D is dense if and only if D intersects every non-empty open set.

Definition 2.7 [7]: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be somewhat continuous if for $U \in \sigma$ and $f^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ there exists an open set V in X such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$.

Definition 2.8[11]: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be somewhat semi continuous if for $U \in \sigma$ and $f^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ there exists a semi open set V in X such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$.

Remark 2.9 [11]: Every somewhat continuous function is somewhat semi continuous function.

Definition 2.10 [7]: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be somewhat open function provided that for $U \in \tau$ and $U \neq \emptyset$, there exists an open set V in Y such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subseteq f(U)$.

Definition 2.11[11]: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be somewhat semi open function provided that for $U \in \tau$ and $U \neq \emptyset$, there exists a semi open set V in Y such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subseteq f(U)$.

Remark 2.12[11]: Every somewhat open function is somewhat semi open function but the converse need not be true in general.

3. Somewhat πgb -continuous functions

Definition 3.1 Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be any two topological spaces. A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be somewhat πgb -continuous function if for every $U \in \sigma$ and $f^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ there exists a πgb -open set V in X such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$.

Example 3.2 Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \emptyset\}$, $\sigma = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}\}$. Now define a function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ as follows : $f(a) = b$, $f(b) = a$, $f(c) = c$. Then clearly f is somewhat πgb -continuous function.

Theorem 3.3 Every somewhat semi continuous function is somewhat πgb -continuous function.

Proof. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be somewhat semi continuous function. Let U be any open set in Y such that $f^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$. Since f is somewhat semi continuous, there exists a semi open set V in X such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$. Since every semi open set is πgb -open, there exists a πgb -open set V such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$, which implies that f is somewhat πgb -continuous function.

Remark 3.4 Converse of the above theorem need not be true in general which follows from the following example.

Example 3.5 Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{X, \{a, b\}, \emptyset\}$, $\sigma = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}\}$. Define a function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = a$, $f(b) = b$, $f(c) = c$. Then f is somewhat πgb -continuous function but not somewhat semi continuous function.

Theorem 3.6 Every somewhat continuous function is somewhat πgb -continuous function.

Proof. Follows from Theorem 3.3 and Remark 2.4.

Remark 3.7 Converse of the above theorem need not be true in general which follows from the following example.

Example 3.8 Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{X, \{c\}, \phi\}$, $\sigma = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$. Define a function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = a$, $f(b) = c$, $f(c) = d$ and $f(d) = b$. Then clearly f is somewhat πgb -continuous function but not a somewhat continuous function.

Theorem 3.9 Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ and $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ be any two functions. If f is somewhat πgb -continuous function and g is continuous function, then $g \circ f$ is somewhat πgb -continuous function.

Proof. Let $U \in \eta$. Suppose that $g^{-1}(U) \neq \phi$. Since $U \in \eta$ and g is continuous function $g^{-1}(U) \in \sigma$. Suppose that $f^{-1}g^{-1}(U) \neq \phi$. Since by hypothesis f is somewhat πgb -continuous function, there exists a πgb -open set V in X such that $V \neq \phi$ and $V \subseteq f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U))$. But $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(U)$, which implies that $V \subseteq (g \circ f)^{-1}(U)$. Therefore $g \circ f$ is somewhat πgb -continuous function.

Remark 3.10 If f is continuous function and g is somewhat πgb -continuous function, then it is not necessarily true that $g \circ f$ is somewhat πgb -continuous function.

Example 3.11 Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \sigma = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \}$ and $\eta = \{X, \phi, \{b, c\}, \{c\}\}$. Define $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = a, f(b) = b$ and $f(c) = c$ and define $g : (X, \sigma) \rightarrow (X, \eta)$ by $g(a) = b, g(b) = a$ and $g(c) = c$. Then clearly f is continuous function and g is somewhat πgb -continuous function but $g \circ f$ is not a somewhat πgb -continuous function.

Definition 3.12 Let A be a subset of a topological space (X, τ) . Then A is said to be πgb -dense in X if there is no proper πgb -closed set C in X such that $A \subset C \subset X$.

Theorem 3.13 Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function. Then the following are equivalent:

- (i) f is somewhat πgb -continuous function.
- (ii) If C is a closed subset of Y such that $f^{-1}(C) \neq X$, then there is a proper πgb -closed subset D of X such that $D \supset f^{-1}(C)$.
- (iii) If M is a πgb -dense subset of X then $f(M)$ is a dense subset of Y .

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii) : Let C be a closed subset of Y such that $f^{-1}(C) \neq X$. Then $Y - C$ is an open set in Y such that $f^{-1}(Y - C) = X - f^{-1}(C) \neq \phi$. By hypothesis (i) there exists a πgb -open set V in X such that $V \neq \phi$ and $V \subset f^{-1}(Y - C) = X - f^{-1}(C)$. This means that $X - V \supset f^{-1}(C)$ and $X - V = D$ is a πgb -closed set in X . This proves (ii).

(ii) \Rightarrow (i) : Let $U \in \sigma$ and $f^{-1}(U) \neq \phi$. Then $Y - U$ is closed and $f^{-1}(Y - U) = X - f^{-1}(U) \neq \phi$. By hypothesis of (ii) there exists a proper πgb -closed set D such that $f^{-1}(Y - U) \subset D$. This implies that $X - D \subset f^{-1}(U)$ and $X - D$ is πgb -open and $X - D \neq \phi$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii) : Let M be a πgb -dense set in X . We have to show that $f(M)$ is dense in Y . Suppose not, then there exists a proper πgb -closed set C in Y such that $f(M) \subset C \subset Y$. Clearly $f^{-1}(C) \neq X$. Hence by (ii) there exists a proper πgb -closed set D such that $M \subset f^{-1}(C) \subset D \subset X$. This contradicts the fact that M is πgb -dense in X .

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

Theorem 3.14 Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be any two topological spaces, A be an open set in X and $f : (A, \tau/A) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be somewhat π gb-continuous function such that $f(A)$ is dense in Y . Then any extension F of f is somewhat π gb-continuous function.

Proof. Let U be any open set in (Y, σ) such that $F^{-1}(U) \neq \phi$. Since $f(A) \subset Y$ is dense in Y and $U \cap f(A) \neq \phi$ it follows that $F^{-1}(U) \cap A \neq \phi$. That is $f^{-1}(U) \cap A \neq \phi$. Hence by hypothesis on f , there exists a π gb-open set V in A such that $V \neq \phi$ and $V \subset f^{-1}(U) \subset F^{-1}(U)$ which implies F is somewhat π gb-continuous function.

Theorem 3.15 Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be any two topological spaces, $X = A \cup B$ where A and B are regular open and π gb-closed subsets of X and $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function such that f/A and f/B are somewhat π gb-continuous functions. Then f is somewhat π gb-continuous function.

Proof. Let U be any open set in (Y, σ) such that $f^{-1}(U) \neq \phi$. Then $(f/A)^{-1}(U) \neq \phi$ or $(f/B)^{-1}(U) \neq \phi$ or both $(f/A)^{-1}(U) \neq \phi$ and $(f/B)^{-1}(U) \neq \phi$.

Case 1. Suppose $(f/A)^{-1}(U) \neq \phi$. Since f/A is somewhat π gb-continuous, there exists a π gb-open set V in A such that $V \neq \phi$ and $V \subset (f/A)^{-1}(U) \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$. Since $X-V$ is π gb-closed in A and A is regular open and π gb-closed in X , $X-V$ is π gb-closed in X . Thus f is somewhat π gb-continuous function.

Case 2. Suppose $(f/B)^{-1}(U) \neq \phi$. Since f/B is somewhat π gb-continuous function, there exists a π gb-open set V in B such that $V \neq \phi$ and $V \subset (f/B)^{-1}(U) \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$. Since $X-V$ is π gb-closed in B and B is regular open and π gb-closed in X , $X-V$ is π gb-closed in X . Thus f is somewhat π gb-continuous function.

Case 3. Suppose $(f/A)^{-1}(U) \neq \phi$ and $(f/B)^{-1}(U) \neq \phi$. This follows from both the cases 1 and 2. Thus f is somewhat π gb-continuous function.

Definition 3.16 A topological space X is said to be π gb-separable if there exists a countable subset B of X which is π gb-dense in X .

Theorem 3.17 If f is somewhat π gb-continuous function from X onto Y and if X is π gb-separable, then Y is separable.

Proof. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be somewhat π gb-continuous function such that X is π gb-separable. Then by definition there exists a countable subset B of X which is π gb-dense in X . Then by Theorem 3.13, $f(B)$ is dense in Y . Since B is countable $f(B)$ is also countable which is dense in Y , which indicates that Y is separable.

4. Somewhat π gb-irresolute function

Definition 4.1: A function f is said to be somewhat π gb-irresolute if for $U \in \pi$ GBO(σ) and $f^{-1}(U) \neq \phi$, there exists a non-empty π gb-open set V in X such that $V \subset f^{-1}(U)$.

Example 4.2: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$. The function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ defined by $f(a) = c$, $f(b) = a$ and $f(c) = b$ is somewhat π gb-irresolute but not somewhat-irresolute.

Example 4.3: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$. The function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ defined by $f(a) = c$, $f(b) = a$ and $f(c) = b$ is not somewhat π gb-irresolute and somewhat-irresolute.

Theorem 4.4: If f is somewhat π gb-irresolute and g is π gb-irresolute, then $g \circ f$ is somewhat π gb-irresolute.

Proof. Let $U \in \pi\text{GBO}(\eta)$. Suppose that $g^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$. Since $U \in \pi\text{GBO}(\eta)$ and g is πgb -irresolute function $g^{-1}(U) \in \pi\text{GBO}(\sigma)$. Suppose that $f^{-1}g^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$. Since by hypothesis f is somewhat πgb -irresolute function, there exists a πgb -open set V in X such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subseteq f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U))$. But $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(U)$, which implies that $V \subseteq (g \circ f)^{-1}(U)$. Therefore $g \circ f$ is somewhat πgb -continuous function.

Theorem 4.5 Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function. Then the following are equivalent:

(i) f is somewhat πgb -irresolute function.

(ii) If C is a πgb -closed subset of Y such that $f^{-1}(C) \neq X$, then there is a proper πgb -closed subset D of X such that $D \supset f^{-1}(C)$.

(iii) If M is a πgb -dense subset of X then $f(M)$ is a πgb -dense subset of Y .

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii) : Let C be a πgb -closed subset of Y such that $f^{-1}(C) \neq X$. Then $Y - C$ is a πgb -open set in Y such that $f^{-1}(Y - C) = X - f^{-1}(C) \neq \emptyset$. By hypothesis (i) there exists a πgb -open set V in X such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset f^{-1}(Y - C) = X - f^{-1}(C)$. This means that $X - V \supset f^{-1}(C)$ and $X - V = D$ is a proper πgb -closed set in X . This proves (ii).

(ii) \Rightarrow (i) : Let $U \in \pi\text{GBO}(\sigma)$ and $f^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$. Then $Y - U$ is πgb -closed and $f^{-1}(Y - U) = X - f^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$. By hypothesis of (ii) there exists a proper πgb -closed set D such that $f^{-1}(Y - U) \subset D$. This implies that $X - D \subset f^{-1}(U)$ and $X - D$ is πgb -open and $X - D \neq \emptyset$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii) : Let M be a πgb -dense set in X . We have to show that $f(M)$ is πgb -dense in Y . Suppose not, then there exists a proper πgb -closed set C in Y such that $f(M) \subset C \subset Y$. Clearly $f^{-1}(C) \neq X$. Hence by (ii) there exists a proper πgb -closed set D in X such that $M \subset f^{-1}(C) \subset D \subset X$. This contradicts the fact that M is πgb -dense in X .

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

Theorem 4.6: Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be any two topological spaces, $X = A \cup B$ where A and B are regular open and πgb -closed sets of X and $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function such that f/A and f/B are somewhat πgb -irresolute functions. Then f is somewhat πgb -irresolute function.

Proof. Let U be any πgb -open set in (Y, σ) such that $f^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$. Then $(f/A)^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ or $(f/B)^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ or both $(f/A)^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ and $(f/B)^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$.

Case 1. Suppose $(f/A)^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$. Since f/A is somewhat πgb -irresolute, there exists a πgb -open set V in A such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset (f/A)^{-1}(U) \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$. Since $X - V$ is πgb -closed in A and A is regular open and πgb -closed sets in X , $X - V$ is πgb -closed in X . Thus f is somewhat πgb -irresolute function.

The proof is similar for other two cases.

Definition 4.7: If X is a set and τ and σ are topologies for X , then τ is said to be equivalent to σ [3] provided if $U \in \tau$ and $U \neq \emptyset$, then there is an open set V in (X, σ) such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset U$ and if $U \in \sigma$ and $U \neq \emptyset$, then there is an open set V in (X, τ) such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset U$.

Definition 4.8: If X is a set and τ and σ are topologies for X , then τ is said to be π gb- equivalent to σ provided if $U \in \tau$ and $U \neq \emptyset$, then there is a π gb-open set V in (X, σ) such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset U$ and if $U \in \sigma$ and $U \neq \emptyset$ then there is a π gb-open set V in (X, τ) such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset U$.

Theorem 4.9 Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be somewhat continuous function and let τ^* be a topology for X , which is π gb-equivalent to τ then the function $f : (X, \tau^*) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is somewhat π gb-continuous function.

Proof. Let U be any open set in (Y, σ) such that $f^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$. Since by hypothesis $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is somewhat continuous by definition there exists an open set O in (X, τ) such that $O \neq \emptyset$ and $O \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$. Since O is an open set in (X, τ) such that $O \neq \emptyset$ and since by hypothesis τ is π gb- equivalent to τ^* by definition there exists a π gb-open set V in (X, τ^*) such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset O \subset f^{-1}(U)$. Hence $O \subset f^{-1}(U)$ Thus for any open set U in (Y, σ) such that $f^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ there exist a π gb-open set V in (X, τ^*) such that $V \subset f^{-1}(U)$. So $f : (X, \tau^*) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is somewhat π gb-continuous function.

Theorem 4.10: Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be somewhat π gb-continuous function and let σ^* be a topology for Y which is equivalent to σ . Then $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma^*)$ is somewhat π gb-continuous function.

Proof. Let U be an open set in (Y, σ^*) such that $f^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ which implies $U \neq \emptyset$. Since σ and σ^* are equivalent there exists an open set W in (Y, σ) such that $W \neq \emptyset$ and $W \subset U$. Now, W is an open set such that $W \neq \emptyset$, which implies $f^{-1}(W) \neq \emptyset$. Now by hypothesis $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is somewhat π gb-continuous function. Therefore there exists a π gb-open set V in X , such that $V \subset f^{-1}(W)$. Now $W \subset U$ implies $f^{-1}(W) \subset f^{-1}(U)$. This implies $V \subset f^{-1}(W) \subset f^{-1}(U)$. So we have $V \subset f^{-1}(U)$, which implies that $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma^*)$ is somewhat π gb-continuous function.

Theorem 4.11: Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be somewhat π gb- irresolute surjection and let τ^* be a topology for X , which is π gb-equivalent to τ then the function $f : (X, \tau^*) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is somewhat π gb- irresolute function.

Proof. Let U be any π gb-open set in (Y, σ) such that $f^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$. Since by hypothesis $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is somewhat π gb-irresolute, by definition there exists an π gb-open set O in (X, τ) such that $O \neq \emptyset$ and $O \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$. Since O is an π gb-open set in (X, τ) such that $O \neq \emptyset$ and since by hypothesis τ is π gb- equivalent to τ^* by definition there exists a π gb-open set V in (X, τ^*) such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset O \subset f^{-1}(U)$. Hence $O \subset f^{-1}(U)$ Thus for any open set U in (Y, σ) such that $f^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ there exist a π gb-open set V in (X, τ^*) such that $V \subset f^{-1}(U)$. So $f : (X, \tau^*) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is somewhat π gb- irresolute function.

Theorem 4.12: Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be somewhat π gb- irresolute surjection function and let σ^* be a topology for Y which is equivalent to σ . Then $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma^*)$ is somewhat π gb- irresolute function.

Proof. Let U be an open set in (Y, σ^*) such that $f^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ which implies $U \neq \emptyset$. Since σ and σ^* are equivalent there exists an open set W in (Y, σ) such that $W \neq \emptyset$ and $W \subset U$. Now, W is an open set such that $W \neq \emptyset$, which implies $f^{-1}(W) \neq \emptyset$. Now by hypothesis $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is somewhat π gb- irresolute function. Therefore there exists a π gb-open set V in X , such that $V \subset f^{-1}(W)$. Now $W \subset U$ implies $f^{-1}(W) \subset f^{-1}(U)$. This implies $V \subset f^{-1}(W) \subset f^{-1}(U)$. So we have $V \subset f^{-1}(U)$, which implies that $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma^*)$ is somewhat π gb- irresolute function.

5. Somewhat π gb-open functions

Definition 5.1: A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be somewhat π gb-open function provided that for $U \in \tau$ and $U \neq \emptyset$ there exists a π gb-open set V in Y such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subseteq f(U)$.

Example 5.2: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \}$ and $\sigma = \{X, \phi, \{a\}\}$. Define a function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = b$, $f(b) = c$, $f(c) = a$. Then clearly f is somewhat π gb-open function.

Theorem 5.3: Every somewhat semi-open function is somewhat π gb-open function.

Proof. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a somewhat semi-open function. Let $U \in \tau$ and $U \neq \phi$. Since f is somewhat semi-open there exists a semi-open set V in Y such that $V \neq \phi$ and $V \subset f(U)$. But every semi-open set is π gb-open. Therefore there exists a π gb-open set V in Y such that $V \neq \phi$ and $V \subset f(U)$, which implies that f is somewhat π gb-open function.

Remark 5.4: Converse of the above theorem need not be true in general, which follows from the following example.

Example 5.5 Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$. Let $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a, b\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{X, \phi\}$. Define a function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = c$, $f(b) = a$, $f(c) = c$. Then clearly f is somewhat π gb-open function which is not a somewhat semi-open function.

Theorem 5.6 Every somewhat open function is somewhat π gb-open function.

Proof. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ be somewhat open function. Let $U \in \tau$ and $U \neq \phi$. Since f is somewhat open function, there exists an open set V in Y such that $V \neq \phi$ and $V \subseteq f(U)$. But every open set is π gb-open. So there exists a π gb-open set V in Y such that $V \neq \phi$ and $V \subseteq f(U)$. Thus f is somewhat π gb-open function.

Remark 5.7 Converse of the above theorem need not be true in general, which follows from the following example.

Example 5.8 Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{X, \{a\}, \{a, c\}, \phi\}$. Define a function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ as follows $f(a) = b$, $f(b) = c$, $f(d) = a$, $f(c) = a$. Then clearly f is somewhat π gb-open function, but not a somewhat open function.

Theorem 5.9 If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is an open map and $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is somewhat π gb-open map then $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is somewhat π gb-open map.

Proof. Let $U \in \tau$. Suppose that $U \neq \phi$. Since f is an open map $f(U)$ is open and $f(U) \neq \phi$. Thus $f(U) \in \sigma$ and $f(U) \neq \phi$. Since g is somewhat π gb-open map and $f(U) \in \sigma$ such that $f(U) \neq \phi$ there exists a π gb-open set $V \in \eta$, $V \subset g(f(U))$, which implies $g \circ f$ is somewhat π gb-open function.

Theorem 5.10 If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is a one-one and onto mapping, then the following conditions are equivalent.

(i) f is somewhat π gb-open map.

(ii) If C is a closed subset of X such that $f(C) \neq Y$, then there is a π gb-closed subset D of Y such that $D \neq Y$ and $D \supset f(C)$

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii) : Let C be any closed subset of X such that $f(C) \neq Y$. Then $X - C$ is open in X and $X - C \neq \phi$. Since f is somewhat π gb-open, there exists a π gb-open set $V \neq \phi$ in Y such that $V \subset f(X - C)$. Put $D = Y - V$. Clearly D is π gb-closed in Y and we claim that $D \neq Y$. For if $D = Y$, then $V = \phi$ which is a contradiction. Since $V \subset f(X - C)$, $D = Y - V \supset Y - [f(X - C)] = f(C)$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i) : Let U be any non-empty open set in X . Put $C = X - U$. Then C is a closed subset of X and $f(X - U) = f(C) = Y - f(U)$ implies $f(C) \neq \phi$. Therefore, by (ii) there is a π gb-closed subset D of Y such that $D \neq Y$ and $f(C) \subset D$. Put $V = Y - D$. Clearly V is a π gb-open set and $V \neq \phi$. Further,

$$V = X - D \subset Y - f(C) = Y - [Y - f(U)] = f(U).$$

Theorem 5.11 Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be somewhat π gb-open function and A be any open subset of X . Then $f/A : (A, \tau/A) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is also somewhat π gb-open function.

Proof. Let $U \in \tau/A$ such that $U \neq \emptyset$. Since U is open in A and A is open in (X, τ) , U is open in (X, τ) and since by hypothesis $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is somewhat π gb-open function, there exists a π gb-open set V in Y , such that $V \subset f(U)$. Thus, for any open set U in $(A, \tau/A)$ with $U \neq \emptyset$, there exists a π gb-open set V in Y such that $V \subset f(U)$ which implies f/A is somewhat π gb-open function.

Theorem 5.12 Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be any two topological spaces and $X = A \cup B$ where A and B are open subsets of X and $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function such that f/A and f/B are somewhat π gb-open, then f is also somewhat π gb-open function.

Proof. Let U be any open subset of (X, τ) such that $U \neq \emptyset$. Since $X = A \cup B$, either $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$ or $B \cap U \neq \emptyset$ or both $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$ and $B \cap U \neq \emptyset$. Since U is open in (X, τ) , U is open in both $(A, \tau/A)$ and $(B, \tau/B)$.

Case (i): Suppose that $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$ where $U \cap A$ is open in τ/A . Since by hypothesis f/A is somewhat π gb-open function, there exists a π gb-open set $V \in (Y, \sigma)$ such that $V \subset f(U \cap A) \subset f(U)$, which implies f is somewhat π gb-open function.

Case (ii): Suppose that $U \cap B \neq \emptyset$, where $U \cap B$ is open in $(B, \sigma/B)$. Since by hypothesis f/B is somewhat π gb-open function, there exists a π gb-open set V in (Y, σ) such that $V \subset f(U \cap B) \subset f(U)$, which implies that f is also somewhat π gb-open function.

Case (iii): Suppose that both $U \cap B \neq \emptyset$ and $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$. Then obviously f is somewhat π gb-open function from the case (i) and case (ii). Thus f is somewhat π gb-open function.

6. Somewhat almost π gb-open functions

Definition 6.1: A function f is said to be somewhat almost π gb-open provided that if $U \in RO(\tau)$ and $U \neq \emptyset$, then there exists a non-empty π gb-open set V in Y such that $V \subseteq f(U)$.

Example 6.2: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$. The function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ defined by $f(a) = a$, $f(b) = c$ and $f(c) = b$ is somewhat almost π gb-open, somewhat π gb-open and somewhat open.

Theorem 6.3: For a bijective function f , the following are equivalent:

- (i) f is somewhat almost π gb-open.
- (ii) If C is regular closed in X , such that $f(C) \neq Y$, then there is a π gb-closed subset D of Y such that $D \neq Y$ and $D \supset f(C)$.

Proof: (i) \Rightarrow (ii): Let $C \in RC(X)$ such that $f(C) \neq Y$. Then $X - C \neq \emptyset \in RO(X)$. Since f is somewhat almost π gb-open, there exists $V \neq \emptyset \in \pi GBO(Y)$ such that $V \subset f(X - C)$. Put $D = Y - V$. Clearly $D \neq \emptyset \in \pi GBC(Y)$. If $D = Y$, then $V = \emptyset$, which is a contradiction. Since $V \subset f(X - C)$, $D = Y - V \supset (Y - f(X - C)) = f(C)$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i): Let $U \neq \emptyset \in \text{RO}(X)$. Then $C = X-U \in \text{RC}(X)$ and $f(X-U) = f(C) = Y - f(U)$ implies $f(C) \neq Y$. Then by (ii), there is $D \neq \emptyset \in \pi\text{GBC}(Y)$ and $f(C) \subset D$. Clearly $V = Y-D \neq \emptyset \in \pi\text{GBO}(Y)$. Also, $V = Y-D \subset Y - f(C) = Y - f(X-U) = f(U)$.

Theorem 6.4: The following statements are equivalent:

- (i) f is somewhat almost πgb -open.
- (ii) If A is a πgb -dense subset of Y , then $f^{-1}(A)$ is a dense subset of X .

Proof: (i) \Rightarrow (ii): Let A be a πgb -dense set in Y . If $f^{-1}(A)$ is not dense in X , then there exists $B \in \text{RC}(X)$ such that $f^{-1}(A) \subset B \subset X$. Since f is somewhat almost πgb -open and $X-B \in \text{RO}(X)$, there exists $C \neq \emptyset \in \pi\text{GBO}(Y)$ such that $C \subset f(X-B)$. Therefore, $C \subset f(X-B) \subset f(f^{-1}(Y-A)) \subset Y-A$. That is, $A \subset Y-C \subset Y$. Now, $Y-C$ is a πgb -closed set and $A \subset Y-C \subset Y$. This implies that A is not a πgb -dense set in Y , which is a contradiction. Therefore, $f^{-1}(A)$ is a dense set in X .

(ii) \Rightarrow (i): If $A \neq \emptyset \in \text{RO}(X)$. We want to show that $\text{int}(\pi\text{gb-}(f(A))) \neq \emptyset$. Suppose $\text{int}(\pi\text{gb-}(f(A))) = \emptyset$. Then, $\pi\text{gb-cl}\{f(A)\} = Y$. Then by (ii), $f^{-1}(Y - f(A))$ is dense in X . But $f^{-1}(Y - f(A)) \subset X-A$. Now, $X-A \in \text{RC}(X)$. Therefore, $f^{-1}(Y - f(A)) \subset X-A$ gives $X = \text{cl}\{f^{-1}(Y - f(A))\} \subset X-A$. Thus $A = \emptyset$, which contradicts $A \neq \emptyset$. Therefore, $\text{int}(\pi\text{gb-}(f(A))) \neq \emptyset$. Hence f is somewhat almost πgb -open.

Theorem 6.5: Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be any two topological spaces, $X = A \cup B$ where A and B are regular open subsets of X and $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function such that f/A and f/B are somewhat almost πgb -open functions. Then f is somewhat almost πgb -open.

Proof. Let U be any regular open set in X . Since $X = A \cup B$, either $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$ or $B \cap U \neq \emptyset$ or both $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$ and $B \cap U \neq \emptyset$. Since U is regular open in X , U is regular open in both A and B .

Case (i): If $A \cap U \neq \emptyset \in \text{RO}(A)$. Since f/A is somewhat almost πgb -open, there exists a πgb -open set V of Y such that $V \subset f(U \cap A) \subset f(U)$, which implies that f is a somewhat almost πgb -open. Case (ii): If $B \cap U \neq \emptyset \in \text{RO}(B)$. Since f/B is somewhat almost πgb -open, there exists a πgb -open set V in Y such that $V \subset f(U \cap B) \subset f(U)$, which implies that f is somewhat almost πgb -open. Case (iii): Suppose that both $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$ and $B \cap U \neq \emptyset$. Then by case (i) and (ii) f is somewhat almost πgb -open.

7. Somewhat M- πgb -open function

Definition 7.1: A function f is said to be somewhat M- πgb -open provided that if $U \in \pi\text{GBO}(\tau)$ and $U \neq \emptyset$, then there exists a non-empty πgb -open set V in Y such that $V \subset f(U)$.

Example 7.2: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$. The function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ defined by $f(a) = a$, $f(b) = c$ and $f(c) = b$ is somewhat quasi πgb -open.

Theorem 7.3: For a bijective function f , the following are equivalent:

- (i) f is somewhat M- πgb -open.

(ii) If $C \in \pi\text{GBC}(X)$, such that $f(C) \neq Y$, then there is a πgb -closed subset D of Y such that $D \neq Y$ and $D \supset f(C)$.

Proof: (i) \Rightarrow (ii): Let $C \in \pi\text{GBC}(X)$, such that $f(C) \neq Y$. Then $X-C \neq \emptyset \in \pi\text{GBO}(X)$, Since f is somewhat M - πgb -open, there exists $V \neq \emptyset \in \pi\text{GBO}(Y)$ such that $V \subset f(X-C)$. Put $D = Y-V$. Clearly $D \neq \emptyset \in \pi\text{GBC}(Y)$. If $D = Y$, then $V = \emptyset$, which is a contradiction. Since $V \subset f(X-C)$, $D = Y-V \supset (Y-f(X-C)) = f(C)$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i): Let $U \neq \emptyset \in \pi\text{GBO}(X)$, Then $C = X-U \in \pi\text{GBC}(X)$, and $f(X-U) = f(C) = Y-f(U)$ implies $f(C) \neq Y$. Then by (ii), there is $D \neq \emptyset \in \pi\text{GBC}(Y)$ and $f(C) \subset D$. Clearly $V = Y-D \neq \emptyset \in \pi\text{GBO}(Y)$. Also, $V = Y-D \subset Y-f(C) = Y-f(X-U) = f(U)$.

Theorem 7.4: Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be any two topological spaces, $X = A \cup B$ where A and B are regular open subsets of X and $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function such that f/A and f/B are somewhat almost πgb -open functions. Then f is somewhat almost πgb -open.

Proof. Let $U \neq \emptyset \in \pi\text{GBO}(X)$, Since $X = A \cup B$, either $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$ or $B \cap U \neq \emptyset$ or both $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$ and $B \cap U \neq \emptyset$. Since U is regular open in X , U is regular open in both A and B .

Case (i): If $A \cap U \neq \emptyset \in \pi\text{GBO}(A)$, Since f/A is somewhat almost πgb -open, there exists a πgb -open set V of Y such that $V \subset f(U \cap A) \subset f(U)$, which implies that f is a somewhat almost πgb -open.

Case (ii): If $B \cap U \neq \emptyset \in \pi\text{GBO}(B)$. Since f/B is somewhat almost πgb -open, there exists a πgb -open set V in Y such that $V \subset f(U \cap B) \subset f(U)$, which implies that f is somewhat almost πgb -open.

Case (iii): Suppose that both $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$ and $B \cap U \neq \emptyset$. Then by case (i) and (ii) f is somewhat M - πgb -open.

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