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# Almost Contra Pre Generalized *b* - Continuous Functions in Topological Spaces

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#### Abstract

In this paper, the authors introduce a new class of functions called almost contra pre generalized *b* - continuous function (briefly almost contra *pgb*-continuous) in topological spaces. Some characterizations and several properties concerning almost contra *pgb*-continuous functions are obtained.

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# 1 Introduction

In 2002, Jafari and Noiri introduced and studied a new form of functions called contra-pre continuous functions. The purpose of this paper is to introduce and study almost contra *pgb*-continuous functions via the concept of *pgb*-closed sets. Also, properties of almost contra *pgb*-continuity are discussed. Moreover, we obtain basic properties and preservation theorems of almost contra *pgb*-continuous functions and relationships between almost contra *pgb*-continuity and *pgb*-regular graphs.

Through out this paper  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \sigma)$  represent the non-empty topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed, unless otherwise mentioned. Let  $A \subseteq X$ , the closure of A and interior of A will be denoted by cl(A) and int(A) respectively, union of all pgb-open sets X contained in A is called pgb-interior of A and it is denoted by pgbint(A), the intersection of all pgb-closed sets of X containing A is called pgb-closure of A and it is denoted by pgbcl(A) [9].

# 2 Preliminaries

**Definition 2.1.** *Let a subset* A *of a topological space*  $(X, \tau)$ *, is called* 

1) a pre-open set [8] if  $A \subseteq int(cl(A))$ .

2) a semi-open set [6] if  $A \subseteq cl(int(A))$ .

3) a *b* -open set [3] if  $A \subseteq cl(int(A)) \cup int(cl(A))$ .

*4) a* generalized *b*- closed set (briefly gb- closed) [1] if  $bcl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and *U* is open in *X*.

5) a generalized  $\alpha b$ - closed set (briefly  $g\alpha b$ - closed) [11] if  $bcl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is  $\alpha$  open in X.

6) a regular generalized b- closed set (briefly rgb- closed) [7] if  $bcl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is regular open in X.

7) a pre generalized b- closed set (briefly pgb- closed) [9] if  $bcl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is pre-open in X.

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**Definition 2.2.** A function  $f : (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$ , is called

1) almost contra continuous [1] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is closed in  $(X, \tau)$  for every regular-open set V of  $(Y, \sigma)$ . 2) almost contra b-continuous [2] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is b-closed in  $(X, \tau)$  for every regular-open set V of  $(Y, \sigma)$ . 3) almost contra pre-continuous [5] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is pre-closed in  $(X, \tau)$  for every regular-open set V of  $(Y, \sigma)$ . 4) almost contra semi-continuous [4] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semi-closed in  $(X, \tau)$  for every regular-open set V of  $(Y, \sigma)$ . 5) almost contra rgb-continuous [10] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is rgb-closed in  $(X, \tau)$  for every regular-open set V of  $(Y, \sigma)$ .

# **3** Almost Contra Pre Generalized *b* - Continuous Functions

In this section, we introduce almost contra pre generalized b - continuous functions and investigate some of their properties.

**Definition 3.3.** A function  $f : (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$  is called almost contra pre generalized b - continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is pgb - closed in  $(X, \tau)$  for every regular open set V in  $(Y, \sigma)$ .

**Example 3.1.** Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{X, \varphi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \varphi, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}\}$ . Define a function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  by f(a) = b, f(b) = a, f(c) = c. Clearly f is almost contra pgb - continuous.

**Theorem 3.1.** If  $f : X \to Y$  is contrapgb - continuous then it is almost contrapgb - continuous.

*Proof.* Obvious, because every regular open set is open set.

**Remark 3.1.** Converse of the above theorem need not be true in general as seen from the following example.

**Example 3.2.** Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{X, \varphi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \varphi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, c\}\}$ . Define a function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  by f(a) = c, f(b) = a, f(c) = b. Then f is almost contra pgb - continuous function but not contra pgb - continuous, because for the open set  $\{a, c\}$  in Y and  $f^{-1}\{a, c\} = \{a, b\}$  is not pgb - closed in X.

**Theorem 3.2.** 1) Every almost contra b - continuous function is almost contra pgb - continuous function.

*2)* Every almost contra  $g\alpha$  - continuous function is almost contra pgb - continuous function.

3) Every almost contra  $g\alpha *$  - continuous function is almost contra pgb - continuous function.

*4) Every almost contra g - continuous function is almost contra pgb - continuous function.* 

5) Every almost contra rgb - continuous function is almost contra pgb - continuous function.

6) Every almost contra  $g\alpha b$  - continuous function is almost contra pgb - continuous function.

**Remark 3.2.** Converse of the above statements is not true as shown in the following example.

**Example 3.3.** *i)* Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{X, \varphi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \varphi, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}\}$ . Define a function  $f : (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$  by f(a) = a, f(b) = c, f(c) = b. Clearly f is almost contra pgb - continuous but f is not almost contra b - continuous. Because  $f^{-1}(\{b\}) = \{c\}$  is not b - closed in  $(X, \tau)$  where  $\{b\}$  is regular - open in  $(Y, \sigma)$ .

*ii)* Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{X, \varphi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \varphi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Define a function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  by f(a) = b, f(b) = a, f(c) = c. Clearly f is almost contra pgb - continuous but f is not almost contra  $g\alpha$  - continuous. Because  $f^{-1}(\{b\}) = \{a\}$  is not  $g\alpha$  - closed in  $(X, \tau)$  where  $\{a\}$  is regular - open in  $(Y, \sigma)$ .

iii) Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{X, \varphi, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \varphi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$ . Define a function  $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$  by f(a) = a, f(b) = b, f(c) = c. Clearly f is almost contra pgb - continuous but f is not almost contra  $g\alpha *$  - continuous. Because  $f^{-1}(\{b\}) = \{b\}$  is not  $g\alpha *$  - closed in  $(X, \tau)$  where  $\{b\}$  is regular - open in  $(Y, \sigma)$ . iv) Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{X, \varphi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \varphi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Define a function  $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$  by f(a) = b, f(b) = a, f(c) = c. Clearly f is almost contra pgb - continuous but f is not almost contra g - continuous. Because  $f^{-1}(\{b\}) = \{a\}$  is not g - closed in  $(X, \tau)$  where  $\{b\}$  is regular - open in  $(Y, \sigma)$ . v) Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{X, \varphi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \varphi, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}\}$ . Define a function  $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$  by f(a) = c, f(b) = a, f(c) = b. Clearly f is almost contra pgb - continuous but f is not almost contra rgb - continuous. Because  $f^{-1}(\{c\}) = \{a\}$  is not rgb - closed in  $(X, \tau)$  where  $\{b\}$  is regular - open in  $(Y, \sigma)$ . v) Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{X, \varphi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \varphi, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}\}$ . Define a function  $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$  by f(a) = c, f(b) = a, f(c) = b. Clearly f is almost contra pgb - continuous but f is not almost contra rgb - continuous. Because  $f^{-1}(\{c\}) = \{a\}$  is not rgb - closed in  $(X, \tau)$  where  $\{c\}$  is regular - open in  $(Y, \sigma)$ . vi) Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{X, \varphi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \varphi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$ . Define a function  $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$  by f(a) = a, f(b) = b, f(c) = c. Clearly f is almost contra pgb - continuous but f is not almost contra gab - continuous. Because  $f^{-1}(\{a\}) = \{a\}$  is not gab - closed in  $(X, \tau)$  where  $\{b\}$  is regular - open in  $(Y, \sigma)$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** *The following are equivalent for a function*  $f : X \to Y$ *,* 

(1) *f* is almost contra pgb - continuous.

(2) for every regular closed set FofY,  $f^{-1}(F)$  is pgb - open set of X.

(3) for each  $x \in X$  and each regular closed set F of Y containing f(x), there exists pgb - open U containing x such that  $f(U) \subset F$ .

(4) for each  $x \in X$  and each regular open set V of Y not containing f(x), there exists pgb - closed set K not containing x such that  $f^{-1}(V) \subset K$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) : Let *F* be a regular closed set in *Y*, then *Y* – *F* is a regular open set in *Y*. By (1),  $f^{-1}(Y - F) = X - f^{-1}(F)$  is *pgb* - closed set in *X*. This implies  $f^{-1}(F)$  is *pgb* - open set in *X*. Therefore, (2) holds.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Let *G* be a regular open set of *Y*. Then *Y* – *G* is a regular closed set in *Y*. By (2),  $f^{-1}(Y - G)$  is *pgb* - open set in *X*. This implies  $X - f^{-1}(G)$  is *pgb* - open set in *X*, which implies  $f^{-1}(G)$  is *pgb* - closed set in *X*. Therefore, (1) hold.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) : Let *F* be a regular closed set in *Y* containing f(x), which implies  $x \in f^{-1}(F)$ . By (2),  $f^{-1}(F)$  is *pgb* - open in *X* containing *x*. Set  $U = f^{-1}(F)$ , which implies *U* is *pgb* - open in *X* containing *x* and  $f(U) = f(f^{-1}(F)) \subset F$ . Therefore (3) holds.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) : Let *F* be a regular closed set in *Y* containing f(x), which implies  $x \in f^{-1}(F)$ . From (3), there exists pgb - open  $U_x$  in *X* containing *x* such that  $f(U_x) \subset F$ . That is  $U_x \subset f^{-1}(F)$ . Thus  $f^{-1}(F) = \{ \cup U_x : x \in f^{-1}(F), which is union of <math>pgb$  - open sets. Therefore,  $f^{-1}(F)$  is pgb - open set of *X*.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) : Let *V* be a regular open set in *Y* not containing f(x). Then Y - V is a regular closed set in *Y* containing f(x). From (3), there exists a *pgb* - open set *U* in *X* containing *x* such that  $f(U) \subset Y - V$ . This implies  $U \subset f^{-1}(Y - V) = X - f^{-1}(V)$ . Hence,  $f^{-1}(V) \subset X - U$ . Set K = X - V, then *K* is *pgb* - closed set not containing *x* in *X* such that  $f^{-1}(V) \subset K$ .

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) : Let *F* be a regular closed set in *Y* containing f(x). Then Y - F is a regular open set in *Y* not containing f(x). From (4), there exists *pgb* - closed set *K* in *X* not containing *x* such that  $f^{-1}(Y - F) \subset K$ . This implies  $X - f^{-1}(F) \subset K$ . Hence,  $X - K \subset f^{-1}(F)$ , that is  $f(X - K) \subset F$ . Set U = X - K, then *U* is *pgb* - open set containing *x* in *X* such that  $f(U) \subset F$ .

**Theorem 3.4.** *The following are equivalent for a function*  $f : X \to Y$ *,* 

(1) *f* is almost contra pgb - continuous.

(2)  $f^{-1}(Int(Cl(G)))$  is pgb - closed set in X for every open subset G of Y.

(3)  $f^{-1}(Cl(Int(F)))$  is pgb - open set in X for every closed subset F of Y.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): Let *G* be an open set in *Y*. Then Int(Cl(G)) is regular open set in *Y*. By (1),  $f^{-1}(Int(Cl(G)) \in pgb - C(X))$ .

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$ : Proof is obvious.

(1) ⇒ (3) : Let *F* be a closed set in *Y*. Then Cl(Int(G)) is regular closed set in *Y*. By (1),  $f^{-1}(Cl(Int(G)) \in pgb - O(X))$ .

 $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$ : Proof is obvious.

**Definition 3.4.** A function  $f : X \to Y$  is said to be R - map if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is regular open in X for each regular open set V of Y.

**Definition 3.5.** A function  $f : X \to Y$  is said to be perfectly continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is clopen in X for each open set V of Y.

**Theorem 3.5.** For two functions  $f : X \to Y$  and  $g : Y \to Z$ , let  $g \circ f : X \to Z$  be a composition function. Then, the following properties hold.

(1) If f is almost contrapgb - continuous and g is an R - map, then  $g \circ f$  is almost contrapgb - continuous.

(2) If f is almost contra pgb - continuous and g is perfectly continuous, then  $g \circ f$  is contra pgb - continuous.

(3) If f is contrapgb - continuous and g is almost continuous, then  $g \circ f$  is almost contrapgb - continuous.

*Proof.* (1) Let *V* be any regular open set in *Z*. Since *g* is an *R* - map,  $g^{-1}(V)$  is regular open in *Y*. Since *f* is almost contra *pgb* - continuous,  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$  is *pgb* - closed set in *X*. Therefore  $g \circ f$  is almost contra *pgb* - continuous.

(2) Let *V* be any regular open set in *Z*. Since *g* is perfectly continuous,  $g^{-1}(V)$  is clopen in *Y*. Since *f* is almost contra *pgb* - continuous,  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$  is *pgb* - open and *pgb* - closed set in *X*. Therefore  $g \circ f$ 

is *pgb* continuous and contra *pgb* - continuous.

(3) Let *V* be any regular open set in *Z*. Since *g* is almost continuous,  $g^{-1}(V)$  is open in *Y*. Since *f* is almost contra *pgb* - continuous,  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$  is *pgb* - closed set in *X*. Therefore  $g \circ f$  is almost contra *pgb* - continuous.

**Theorem 3.6.** Let  $f : X \to Y$  be a contra pgb - continuous and  $g : Y \to Z$  be pgb - continuous. If Y is Tpgb - space, then  $g \circ f : X \to Z$  is an almost contra pgb - continuous.

*Proof.* Let *V* be any regular open and hence open set in *Z*. Since g is pgb - continuous  $g^{-1}(V)$  is pgb - open in *Y* and *Y* is Tpgb - space implies  $g^{-1}(V)$  open in *Y*. Since *f* is contra pgb - continuous,  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$  is pgb - closed set in *X*. Therefore,  $g \circ f$  is an almost contra pgb - continuous.

**Theorem 3.7.** If  $f : X \to Y$  is surjective strongly pgb - open (or strongly pgb - closed) and  $g : Y \to Z$  is a function such that  $g \circ f : X \to Z$  is an almost contra pgb - continuous, then g is an almost contra pgb - continuous.

*Proof.* Let *V* be any regular closed (resp. regular open) set in *Z*. Since  $g \circ f$  is an almost contra pgb - continuous,  $(g \circ f)^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$  is pgb - open (resp. pgb - closed) in *X*. Since *f* is surjective and strongly pgb - open (or strongly pgb - closed),  $f(f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))) = g^{-1}(V)$  is pgb - open(or pgb - closed). Therefore *g* is an almost contra pgb - continuous.

**Definition 3.6.** A function  $f : X \to Y$  is called weakly pgb - continuous if for each  $x \in X$  and each open set V of Y containing f(x), there exists  $U \in pgb - O(X; x)$  such that  $f(U) \subset cl(V)$ .

**Theorem 3.8.** If a function  $f : X \to Y$  is an almost contra pgb - continuous, then f is weakly pgb - continuous function.

*Proof.* Let  $x \in X$  and V be an open set in Y containing f(x). Then cl(V) is regular closed in Y containing f(x). Since f is an almost contra pgb - continuous function by Theorem 3.4 (2),  $f^{-1}(cl(V))$  is pgb - open set in X containing x. Set  $U = f^{-1}(cl(V))$ , then  $f(U) \subset f(f^{-1}(Cl(V))) \subset cl(V)$ . This shows that f is weakly pgb - continuous function.

**Definition 3.7.** A space X is called locally pgb - indiscrete if every pgb - open set is closed in X.

**Theorem 3.9.** *If a function*  $f : X \to Y$  *is almost contra* pgb *- continuous and* X *is locally* pgb *- indiscrete space, then* f *is almost continuous.* 

*Proof.* Let *U* be a regular open set in *Y*. Since *f* is almost contra *pgb* - continuous  $f^{-1}(U)$  is *pgb* - closed set in *X* and *X* is locally *pgb* - indiscrete space, which implies  $f^{-1}(U)$  is an open set in *X*. Therefore *f* is almost continuous.

**Lemma 3.1.** Let A and  $X_0$  be subsets of a space X. If  $A \in pgb - O(X)$  and  $X_0 \in \tau^{\alpha}$ , then  $A \cap X_0 \in pgb - O(X_0)$ .

**Theorem 3.10.** If  $f : X \to Y$  is almost contrapgb - continuous and  $X_0 \in \tau^{\alpha}$  then the restriction  $f/X_0 : X_0 \to Y$  is almost contrapgb - continuous.

*Proof.* Let *V* be any regular open set of *Y*. By Theorem, we have  $f^{-1}(V) \in pgb - O(X)$  and hence  $(f/X_0)^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(V) \cap X_0 \in pgb - O(X_0)$ . By Lemma 3.1, it follows that  $f/X_0$  is almost contra pgb - continuous.

**Theorem 3.11.** If  $f : X \to \prod Y_{\lambda}$  is almost contrapgb - continuous, then  $P_{\lambda} \circ f : X \to Y_{\lambda}$  is almost contrapgb - continuous for each  $\lambda \in \nabla$ , where  $P_{\lambda}$  is the projection of  $\prod Y_{\lambda}$  onto  $Y_{\lambda}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $Y_{\lambda}$  be any regular open set of Y. Since  $P_{\lambda}$  is continuous open, it is an R - map and hence  $(P_{\lambda})^{-1} \in RO(\prod Y_{\lambda})$ .

By theorem,  $f^{-1}(P_{\lambda}^{-1}(V)) = (P_{\lambda} \circ f)^{-1} \in pgb - O(X)$ . Hence  $P_{\lambda} \circ f$  is almost contra pgb - continuous.

# **4** Pre Generalized *b* - Regular Graphs and Strongly Contra Pre Generalized *b* - Closed Graphs

**Definition 4.8.** A graph  $G_f$  of a function  $f : X \to Y$  is said to be pgb - regular (strongly contra pgb - closed) if for each  $(x, y) \in (X \times Y) \setminus G_f$ , there exist a pgb - closed set U in X containing x and  $V \in R - O(Y)$  such that  $(U \times V) \cap G_f = \varphi$ .

**Theorem 4.12.** If  $f : X \to Y$  is almost contrapgb - continuous and Y is  $T_2$ , then  $G_f$  is pgb - regular in  $X \times Y$ .

*Proof.* Let  $(x, y) \in (X \times Y) \setminus G_f$ . It is obvious that  $f(x) \neq y$ . Since Y is  $T_2$ , there exists  $V, W \in RO(Y)$  such that  $f(x) \in V, y \in W$  and  $V \cap W = \varphi$ . Since f is almost contra pgb - continuous,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is a pgb - closed set in X containing x. If we take  $U = f^{-1}(V)$ , we have  $f(U) \subset V$ . Hence,  $f(U) \cap W = \varphi$  and  $G_f$  is pgb - regular.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 4.13.** Let  $f : (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$  be a function and  $g : (X, \tau) \to (X \times Y, \tau \times \sigma)$  the graph function defined by g(x) = (x, f(x)) for every  $x \in X$ . Then f is almost pgb - continuous if and only if g is almost pgb - continuous.

*Proof.* Necessary : Let  $x \in X$  and  $V \in pgb - O(Y)$  containing f(x). Then, we have  $g(x) = (x, f(x)) \in R - O(X \times Y)$ . Since f is almost pgb - continuous, there exists a pgb - open set U of X containing x such that  $g(U) \subset X \times Y$ . Therefore, we obtain  $f(U) \subset V$ . Hence f is almost pgb continuous.

**Sufficiency :** Let  $x \in X$  and w be a regular open set of  $X \times Y$  containing g(x). There exists  $U_1 \in RO(X, \tau)$ and  $V \in RO(Y, \sigma)$  such that  $(x, f(x)) \in (U_1 \times V) \subset W$ . Since f is almost pgb - continuous, there exists  $U_2 \in pgb - O(X, \tau)$  such that  $x \in U_2$  and  $f(U_2) \subset V$ . Set  $U = U_1 \cap U_2$ . We have  $x \in U_x \in pgb - O(X, \tau)$  and  $g(U) \subset (U_1 \times V) \subset W$ . This shows that g is almost pgb - continuous.

**Theorem 4.14.** *If a function*  $f : X \to Y$  *be a almost contra* pgb *- continuous and almost continuous, then* f *is regular set - connected.* 

*Proof.* Let  $V \in RO(Y)$ . Since f is almost contra pgb - continuous and almost continuous,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is pgb - closed and open. So  $f^{-1}(V)$  is clopen. It turns out that f is regular set - connected.

# 5 Connectedness

**Definition 5.9.** *A space* X *is called pgb - connected if* X *cannot be written as a disjoint union of two non - empty pgb - open sets.* 

**Theorem 5.15.** If  $f : X \to Y$  is an almost contra pgb - continuous surjection and X is pgb - connected, then Y is connected.

*Proof.* Suppose that *Y* is not a connected space. Then *Y* can be written as  $Y = U_0 \cup V_0$  such that  $U_0$  and  $V_0$  are disjoint non - empty open sets. Let  $U = int(cl(U_0))$  and  $V = int(cl(V_0))$ . Then *U* and *V* are disjoint nonempty regular open sets such that  $Y = U \cup V$ . Since *f* is almost contra *pgb* - continuous, then  $f^{-1}(U)$  and  $f^{-1}(V)$  are *pgb* - open sets of *X*. We have  $X = f^{-1}(U) \cup f^{-1}(V)$  such that  $f^{-1}(U)$  and  $f^{-1}(V)$  are disjoint. Since *f* is surjective, this shows that *X* is not *pgb* - connected. Hence *Y* is connected.

**Theorem 5.16.** The almost contra pgb - continuous image of pgb - connected space is connected.

*Proof.* Let  $f : X \to Y$  be an almost contra pgb - continuous function of a pgb - connected space X onto a topological space Y. Suppose that Y is not a connected space. There exist non - empty disjoint open sets  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  such that  $Y = V_1 \cup V_2$ . Therefore,  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are clopen in Y. Since f is almost contra pgb - continuous,  $f^{-1}(V_1)$  and  $f^{-1}(V_2)$  are pgb - open in X. Moreover,  $f^{-1}(V_1)$  and  $f^{-1}(V_2)$  are non - empty disjoint and  $X = f^{-1}(V_1) \cup f^{-1}(V_2)$ . This shows that X is not pgb - connected. This is a contradiction and hence Y is connected.

**Definition 5.10.** *A topological space X is said to be pgb - ultra connected if every two non - empty pgb - closed subsets of X intersect.* 

A topological space *X* is said to be hyper connected if every open set is dense.

**Theorem 5.17.** *If X is pgb - ultra connected and*  $f : X \to Y$  *is an almost contra pgb - continuous surjection, then Y is hyper connected.* 

*Proof.* Suppose that *Y* is not hyperconnected. Then, there exists an open set *V* such that *V* is not dense in *Y*. So, there exist non - empty regular open subsets  $B_1 = int(cl(V))$  and  $B_2 = Y - cl(V)$  in *Y*. Since *f* is almost contra *pgb* - continuous,  $f^{-1}(B_1)$  and  $f^{-1}(B_2)$  are disjoint *pgb* - closed. This is contrary to the *pgb* - ultra - connectedness of *X*. Therefore, *Y* is hyperconnected.

# **6** Separation axioms

**Definition 6.11.** A topological space X is said to be  $pgb - T_1$  space if for any pair of distinct points x and y, there exist a pgb - open sets G and H such that  $x \in G, y \notin G$  and  $x \notin H, y \in H$ .

**Theorem 6.18.** If  $f : X \to Y$  is an almost contra pgb - continuous injection and Y is weakly Hausdorff, then X is  $pgb - T_1$ .

*Proof.* Suppose *Y* is weakly Hausdorff. For any distinct points *x* and *y* in *X*, there exist *V* and *W* regular closed sets in *Y* such that  $f(x) \in V$ ,  $f(y) \notin V$ ,  $f(y) \in W$  and  $f(x) \notin W$ . Since *f* is almost contra *pgb* - continuous,  $f^{-1}(V)$  and  $f^{-1}(W)$  are *pgb* - open subsets of *X* such that  $x \in f^{-1}(V)$ ,  $y \notin f^{-1}(V)$ ,  $y \in f^{-1}(W)$  and  $x \notin f^{-1}(W)$ . This shows that *X* is *pgb* - *T*<sub>1</sub>.

**Corollary 6.1.** If  $f : X \to Y$  is a contrapgb - continuous injection and Y is weakly Hausdorff, then X is  $pgb - T_1$ .

**Definition 6.12.** A topological space X is called Ultra Hausdorff space, if for every pair of distinct points x and y in X, there exist disjoint clopen sets U and V in X containing x and y, respectively.

**Definition 6.13.** A topological space X is said to be  $pgb - T_2$  space if for any pair of distinct points x and y, there exist disjoint pgb - open sets G and H such that  $x \in G$  and  $y \in H$ .

**Theorem 6.19.** If  $f : X \to Y$  is an almost contra pgb - continuous injective function from space X into a Ultra Hausdorff space Y, then X is  $pgb - T_2$ .

*Proof.* Let *x* and *y* be any two distinct points in *X*. Since *f* is an injective  $f(x) \neq f(y)$  and *Y* is Ultra Hausdorff space, there exist disjoint clopen sets *U* and *V* of *Y* containing f(x) and f(y) respectively. Then  $x \in f^{-1}(U)$  and  $y \in f^{-1}(V)$ , where  $f^{-1}(U)$  and  $f^{-1}(V)$  are disjoint *pgb* - open sets in *X*. Therefore *X* is *pgb* – *T*<sub>2</sub>.

**Definition 6.14.** *A topological space* X *is called Ultra normal space, if each pair of disjoint closed sets can be separated by disjoint clopen sets.* 

**Definition 6.15.** *A topological space* X *is said to be pgb - normal if each pair of disjoint closed sets can be separated by disjoint pgb - open sets.* 

**Theorem 6.20.** If  $f : X \to Y$  is an almost contra pgb - continuous closed injection and Y is ultra normal, then X is pgb - normal.

*Proof.* Let *E* and *F* be disjoint closed subsets of *X*. Since *f* is closed and injective f(E) and f(F) are disjoint closed sets in *Y*. Since *Y* is ultra normal there exists disjoint clopen sets *U* and *V* in *Y* such that  $f(E) \subset U$  and  $f(F) \subset V$ . This implies  $E \subset f^{-1}(U)$  and  $F \subset f^{-1}(V)$ . Since *f* is an almost contra *pgb* - continuous injection,  $f^{-1}(U)$  and  $f^{-1}(V)$  are disjoint *pgb* - open sets in *X*. This shows *X* is *pgb* - normal.

**Theorem 6.21.** If  $f : X \to Y$  is an almost contra pgb - continuous and Y is semi - regular, then f is pgb - continuous.

*Proof.* Let  $x \in X$  and V be an open set of Y containing f(x). By definition of semi - regularity of Y, there exists a regular open set G of Y such that  $f(x) \in G \subset V$ . Since f is almost contra pgb - continuous, there exists  $U \in pgb - O(X, x)$  such that  $f(U) \subset G$ . Hence we have  $f(U) \subset G \subset V$ . This shows that f is pgb - continuous function.

# 7 Compactness

**Definition 7.16.** A space X is said to be:

(1) pgb - compact if every pgb - open cover of X has a finite subcover.

(2) pgb - closed compact if every pgb - closed cover of X has a finite subcover.

(3) Nearly compact if every regular open cover of X has a finite subcover.

(4) Countably pgb - compact if every countable cover of X by pgb - open sets has a finite subcover.

(5) Countably pgb - closed compact if every countable cover of X by pgb - closed sets has a finite sub cover.

(6) Nearly countably compact if every countable cover of X by regular open sets has a finite sub cover.

(7) *pgb* - *Lindelof if every pgb* - *open cover of X has a countable sub cover.* 

(8) *pgb* - *Lindelof if every pgb* - *closed cover of X has a countable sub cover.* 

(9) Nearly Lindelof if every regular open cover of X has a countable sub cover.

(10) S - Lindelof if every cover of X by regular closed sets has a countable sub cover.

(11) Countably S - closed if every countable cover of X by regular closed sets has a finite sub - cover.

(12) *S* - closed if every regular closed cover of *x* has a finite sub cover.

**Theorem 7.22.** Let  $f : X \to Y$  be an almost contra pgb - continuous surjection. Then, the following properties hold: (1) If X is pgb - closed compact, then Y is nearly compact.

(2) If X is countably pgb - closed compact, then Y is nearly countably compact.

(3) If X is pgb - Lindelof, then Y is nearly Lindelof.

*Proof.* (1) Let  $\{V_{\alpha} : \alpha \in I\}$  be any regular open cover of *Y*. Since *f* is almost contra *pgb* - continuous,  $\{f^{-1}(V_{\alpha}) : \alpha \in I\}$  is *pgb* - closed cover of *X*. Since *X* is *pgb* - closed compact, there exists a finite subset  $I_0$  of *I* such that  $X = \bigcup \{f^{-1}(V_{\alpha}) : \alpha \in I_0\}$ . Since *f* is surjective,  $Y = \bigcup \{(V_{\alpha}) : \alpha \in I_0\}$  which is finite sub cover of *Y*, therefore *Y* is nearly compact.

(2) Let  $\{V_{\alpha} : \alpha \in I\}$  be any countable regular open cover of Y. Since f is almost contra pgb - continuous,  $\{f^{-1}(V_{\alpha}) : \alpha \in I\}$  is countable pgb - closed cover of X. Since X is countably pgb - closed compact, there exists a finite subset  $I_0$  of I such that  $X = \bigcup \{f^{-1}(V_{\alpha}) : \alpha \in I_0\}$ . Since f is surjective,  $Y = \bigcup \{(V_{\alpha}) : \alpha \in I_0\}$  is finite subcover for Y. Hence Y is nearly countably compact.

(3) Let  $\{V_{\alpha} : \alpha \in I\}$  be any regular open cover of *Y*. Since *f* is almost contra *pgb* - continuous,  $\{f^{-1}(V_{\alpha}) : \alpha \in I\}$  is *pgb* - closed cover of *X*. Since *X* is *pgb* - Lindelof, there exists a countable subset  $I_0$  of *I* such that  $X = \{f^{-1}(V_{\alpha}) : \alpha \in I_0\}$ . Since *f* is surjective,  $Y = \bigcup\{(V_{\alpha}) : \alpha \in I_0\}$  is finite sub cover for *Y*. Therefore, *Y* is nearly Lindelof.

**Theorem 7.23.** Let  $f : X \to Y$  be an almost contra pgb - continuous surjection. Then, the following properties hold: (1) If X is pgb - compact, then Y is S - closed.

(2) If X is countably pgb - closed, then Y is is countably S - closed.

(3) If X is pgb - Lindelof, then Y is S - Lindelof.

*Proof.* (1) Let  $\{V_{\alpha} : \alpha \in I\}$  be any regular closed cover of *Y*. Since *f* is almost contra *pgb* - continuous,  $\{f^{-1}(V_{\alpha}) : \alpha \in I\}$  is *pgb* - open cover of *X*. Since *X* is *pgb* - compact, there exists a finite subset  $I_0$  of *I* such that  $X = \bigcup \{f^{-1}(V_{\alpha}) : \alpha \in I_0\}$ . Since *f* is surjective,  $Y = \bigcup \{V_{\alpha} : \alpha \in I_0\}$  is finite sub cover for *Y*. Therefore, *Y* is *S* - closed.

(2) Let  $\{V_{\alpha} : \alpha \in I\}$  be any countable regular closed cover of *Y*. Since *f* is almost contra *pgb* - continuous,  $\{f^{-1}(V_{\alpha}) : \alpha \in I\}$  is countable *pgb* - open cover of *X*. Since *X* is countably *pgb* - compact, there exists a finite subset  $I_0$  of *I* such that  $X = \bigcup \{f^{-1}(V_{\alpha}) : \alpha \in I_0\}$ . Since *f* is surjective,  $Y = \bigcup \{V_{\alpha} : \alpha \in I_0\}$  is finite sub cover for *Y*. Hence, *Y* is countably *S* - closed.

(3) Let  $\{V_{\alpha} : \alpha \in I\}$  be any regular closed cover of *Y*. Since *f* is almost contra *pgb* - continuous,  $\{f^{-1}(V_{\alpha}) : \alpha \in I\}$  is *pgb* - open cover of *X*. Since *X* is *pgb* - Lindelof, there exists a countable sub - set  $I_0$  of *I* such that  $X = \bigcup \{f^{-1}(V_{\alpha}) : \alpha \in I_0\}$ . Since *f* is surjective,  $Y = \bigcup \{V_{\alpha} : \alpha \in I_0\}$  is finite sub cover for *Y*. Hence, *Y* is *S* - Lindelof.

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