A Decomposition of *m*-Continuity

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Abstract

By using an m-space (X, m_X) , we define the notions of gm-closed sets and m-lc-sets and obtain a decomposition of m-continuity. Then, the decomposition provides a kind of decomposition of weak forms of continuity.

Keywords: *m-structure, m-space, gm-closed, g-closed, m-lc set, locally closed set, decompositions of weak forms of continuity.*

Introduction

It is known that the notion of decomposition of continuity is important in General Topology. Therefore, many authors [12], [16], [18], [19], [37], [30], [35] and others studied on this subject in General Topology.

In 1970, Levine [21] introduced the notion of generalized closed (g-closed) sets in topological spaces. Among many modifications of g closed sets, the notions of αg -closed [22] (resp. gs-closed [6], gp-closed [28], γg -closed [14], gsp-closed [9]) sets are investigated by using α -open (resp. semi-open, preopen, b-open, semi-preopen) sets.

The present authors [31], [32] introduced and investigated the notions of *m*-structures, *m*-spaces and *m*-continuity. In [27], Noiri introduced the notion of generalized *m*-closed (*gm*-closed) sets and tried to construct the unified theory of the notions containing αg -closed sets, *gs*-closed sets, *gp*-closed sets, *ngp*-closed sets, *gs*-closed sets.

In this paper, we introduce the notion of m-lc sets as a modification of locally closed sets. By using the notions of gm-closed sets and m-lc sets, we obtain a decomposition of m-continuity. Then, the decomposition provides a decomposition of weak forms of continuity (semi-continuity, precontinuity, β -continuity etc).

Preliminaries

Let (X, τ) be a topological space and A a subset of X. The closure of A and the interior of A are denoted by Cl(A) and Int(A), respectively.

Definition 2.1. A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is said to be *semi-open* [20] (resp. *preopen* [24], α -*open*[26], *b*-*open* [4], β -*open* [1] or *semi-preopen* [3]) if $A \subset Cl(IntA)$) (resp. $A \subset Int(Cl(A)), A \subset Int(Cl(Int(A))), A \subset Cl(Int(A)) \cup Int(Cl(A)), A \subset Cl(Int(Cl(A))))$.

The family of all semi-open (resp. preopen, α -open, β -open, β -open) sets in (X, τ) is denoted by SO(X) (resp. PO(X), $\alpha(X)$, BO(X), $\beta(X)$).

Definition 2.2. The complement of a semi-open (resp. preopen, α -open, β -open, semi-preopen, *b*-open) set is said to be *semi-closed* [8] (resp. *preclosed* [13], α -*closed* [25], β -*closed* [1], *semi-preclosed* [3], *b*-*closed* [4]).

Definition 2.3. The intersection of all semi-closed (resp. preclosed, α -closed, β -closed, semipreclosed, *b*-closed) sets of *X* containing *A* is called the *semi-closure* [8] (resp. *preclosure* [13], α -*closure* [25], β -*closure* [2], *semi-preclosure* [3], *b*-*closure* [4]) of *A* and is denoted by sCl(*A*) (resp. pCl(*A*), α Cl(*A*), β Cl(*A*), spCl(*A*), bCl(*A*)).

Definition 2.4. The union of all semi-open (resp. preopen, α -open, β -open, semi-preopen, *b*-open) sets of *X* contained in *A* is called the *semi-interior* (resp. *preinterior*, α -*interior*, β -*interior*, *semi-preinterior*, *b*-*interior*) of *A* and is denoted by sInt(*A*) (resp. pInt(*A*), α Int(*A*), β Int(*A*), spInt(*A*), bInt(*A*)).

Definition 2.5. Let (X, τ) be a topological space. A subset A of X is said to be

(1) g-closed [21] if $Cl(A) \subset U$ whenever $A \subset U$ and $U \in \tau$,

(2) αg -closed [22] if $\alpha Cl(A) \subset U$ whenever $A \subset U$ and $U \in \tau$,

(3) gs-closed [6] if $sCl(A) \subset U$ whenever $A \subset U$ and $U \in \tau$,

(4) gp-closed [28] if $pCl(A) \subset U$ whenever $A \subset U$ and $U \in \tau$,

(5) gb-closed (or γg -closed [14]) if bCl(A) $\subset U$ whenever $A \subset U$ and $U \in \tau$,

(6) gsp-closed (or $g\beta$ -closed) [9] if $spCl(A) \subset U$ whenever $A \subset U$ and $U \in \tau$.

Definition 2.6. Let (X, τ) be a topological space. A subset A is called a *locally closed* set (briefly LC-set) [7], [15] (resp. *B-set* [36], A_7 -set [37], η -set [30], *BC-set* [19], *C-set* [18]) if $A = U \cap F$, where U is open and F is closed (resp. semi-closed, preclosed, α -closed, b-closed, semi-preclosed).

Throughout the present paper, (X, τ) and (Y, σ) always denote topological spaces and $f : (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$ presents a function.

Definition 2.7. A function $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be *semi-continuous* [20] (resp. *precontinuous* [24], α -continuous [25], *b*-continuous [4], β -continuous [1]) if $f^{-1}(V)$ is a semi-open (resp. preopen, α -open, β -open) set in (X, τ) for each open set V of (Y, σ) .

Definition 2.8. A function $f : (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be *g*-continuous [5] (resp. *gs*-continuous [11], *gp*-continuous [28], αg -continuous [22], γg -continuous [14], *gsp*-continuous [9]) if $f^{-1}(F)$ is *g*-closed (resp. *gs*-closed, *gp*-closed, αg -closed, γg -closed) in (X, τ) for every closed set F of (Y, σ) .

m-Continuity

Definition 3.1. A subfamily m_X of the power set $\mathcal{P}(X)$ of a nonempty set X is called a *minimal* structure (briefly *m*-structure) [31], [32] on X if $\emptyset \in m_X$ and $X \in m_X$.

By (X, m_X) , we denote a nonempty set X with a minimal structure m_X on X and call it an *m*-space. Each member of m_X is said to be m_X -open and the complement of a m_X -openset is said to be m_X -closed.

Remark 3.1. Let (X, τ) be a topological space. Then the families τ , SO(X), PO(X), $\alpha(X)$, BO(X) and $\beta(X)$ are all *m*-structures on X.

Definition 3.2. Let X be a nonempty set and m_X an m-structure on X. For a subset A of X, the m_X -closure of A and the m_X -interior of A are defined in [23] as follows:

(1) m_X -Cl(A) = \cap { $F : A \subset F, X - F \in m_X$ },

(2) m_X -Int $(A) = \bigcup \{ U : U \subset A, U \in m_X \}.$

Remark 3.2. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and A be a subset of X. If $m_X = \tau$ (resp. SO(X), PO(X), $\alpha(X)$, $\beta(X)$, BO(X)), then we have

(1) m_X -Cl(A) = Cl(A) (resp. sCl(A), pCl(A), α Cl(A, β Cl(A), bCl(A)),

(2) m_X -Int(A) = Int(A) (resp. sInt(A), pInt(A), α Int(A), β Int(A), bInt(A)).

Lemma 3.1 (Maki et al. [23]). Let (X, m_X) be an *m*-space. For subsets A and B of X, the following properties hold:

(1) m_X -Cl $(X - A) = X - m_X$ -Int(A) and m_X -Int $(X - A) = X - m_X$ -Cl(A),

(2) If $(X - A) \in m_X$, then m_X -Cl(A) = A and if $A \in m_X$, then m_X -Int(A) = A,

(3) m_X -Cl(\emptyset) = \emptyset , m_X -Cl(X) = X, m_X -Int(\emptyset) = \emptyset and m_X -Int(X) = X,

(4) If $A \subset B$, then m_X -Cl $(A) \subset m_X$ -Cl(B) and m_X -Int $(A) \subset m_X$ -Int(B),

(5) $A \subset m_X$ -Cl(A) and m_X -Int(A) $\subset A$,

(6) m_X -Cl $(m_X$ -Cl(A)) = m_X -Cl(A) and m_X -Int $(m_X$ -Int(A)) = m_X -Int(A).

Definition 3.3. A minimal structure m_X on a nonempty set X is said to have property \mathcal{B} [23] if the union of any family of subsets belonging to m_X belongs to m_X .

Remark 3.3. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and $m_X = SO(X)$ (resp. PO(X), $\alpha(X)$, $\beta(X)$, BO(X)), then m_X satisfies property \mathcal{B} .

Lemma 3.2 (Popa and Noiri [33]). Let (X, m_X) be an *m*-space and m_X satisfies property \mathcal{B} . Then for a subset A of X, the following properties hold:

(1) $A \in m_X$ if and only if m_X -Int(A) = A,

(2) A is m_X -closed if and only if m_X -Cl(A) = A,

(3) m_X -Int $(A) \in m_X$ and m_X -Cl(A) is m_X -closed.

Definition 3.4. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and m_X an *m*-structure on *X*. A subset *A* is said to be *generalized m-closed* (briefly *gm-closed*) [27] if m_X -Cl A) $\subset U$ whenever $A \subset U$ and $U \in \tau$. The complement of a *gm*-closed set is said to be *gm-open*.

Remark 3.4. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and A a subset of X. If $m_X = \tau$ (resp. SO(X), PO(X), $\alpha(X)$, BO(X), $\beta(X)$) and A is gm-closed, then A is g-closed (resp. gs-closed, gp-closed, αg -closed, γg -closed, g s p-closed).

Definition 3.5. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and m_X an *m*-structure on *X*. A subset *A* is called an *m*-*lc* set if $A = U \cap F$, where $U \in \tau$ and *F* is m_X -closed.

Remark 3.5. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and A a subset of X. If $m_X = \tau$ (resp. SO(X), PO(X), $\alpha(X)$, BO(X), $\beta(X)$) and A is an m-lc set, then A is an LC set (resp. a B-set, an A_7 -set, an η -set, a BC-set, a C-set).

Definition 3.6. Let $f : X \to Y$ be a function, where X is a nonempty set with a minimal structure m_X and Y is a topological space. The function $f : X \to Y$ is said to be *m*-continuous [32] if for

each $x \in X$ and each open set V of Y containing f(x), there exists a subset $U \in m_X$ containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$.

Lemma 3.3 (Popa and Noiri [32]).For a function $f : X \to Y$, where X is a nonempty set with a minimal structure m_X and Y is a topological space, the following properties are equivalent:

(1) f is m-continuous;

(2) $f^{-1}(V) = m_X \operatorname{-Int}(f^{-1}(V))$ for every open set V of Y;

(3) m_X -Cl $(f^{-1}(F)) = f^{-1}(F)$ for every closed set F of Y.

Corollary 3.1. (Popa and Noiri [32]) Let X be a nonempty set with a minimal structure m_X satisfying property \mathcal{B} and Y a topological space. For a function $f : X \to Y$, the following are equivalent:

(1) f is m-continuous;

(2) $f^{-1}(V)$ is m_X -open in (X, m_X) for every open set V of Y;

(3) $f^{-1}(F)$ is m_X -closed in (X, m_X) for every closed set F of Y.

Remark 3.6. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and m_X an *m*-structure on *X*. If $f : (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$ is *m*-continuous and $m_X = \tau$ (resp. SO(X), PO(X), $\alpha(X)$, BO(X), $\beta(X)$), then f is continuous (resp. semi-continuous, precontinuous, α -continuous, b-continuous, β -continuous).

Decompositions of *m***-continuity**

Theorem 4.1. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and m_X a minimal structure on X having property \mathcal{B} . Then a subset A of X is m_X -closed if and only if it is gm-closed and an m-lc set.

Proof. Necessity: Suppose that A is m_X -closed in X. Let $A \subset U$ and $U \in \tau$. Since A is m_X -closed, by Lemma 3.2 $A = m_X$ -Cl(A) and hence m_X -Cl(A) $\subset U$. Therefore, A is gm-closed. Since $A = X \cap A$, A is an m-lc set.

Sufficiency: Suppose that A is gm-closed and an m-lc set. Since A is an m-lc set, $A = U \cap F$, where $U \in \tau$ and F is m_X -closed in X. Therefore, we have $A \subset U$ and $A \subset F$. By the hypothesis, we obtain m_X -Cl(A) $\subset U$ and m_X -Cl(A) $\subset F$ and hence m_X -Cl(A) $\subset U \cap F = A$. Thus, m_X -Cl(A) = A and by Lemma 3.2 A is m_X -closed.

Corollary 4.1. Let A be a subset of a topological space (X, τ) . Then, the following properties hold:

(1) A is closed if and only if A is g-closed and an LC-set.

(2) A is semi-closed if and only if A is gs-closed and a B-set.

(3) A is pre-closed if and only if A is gp-closed and an A_7 -set.

(4) A is α -closed if and only if A is αg -closed and an η -set.

(5) A is b-closed if and only if A is γg -closed and a BC-set.

(6) A is β -closed if and only if A is gsp-closed and a C-set.

Definition 4.1. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and m_X a minimal structure on X. A function $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be

(1) gm-continuous if $f^{-1}(F)$ is gm-closed in (X, τ) for each closed set F of (Y, σ) ,

(2) contra *m*-lc-continuous if $f^{-1}(F)$ is an *m*-lc set of (X, τ) for each closed set F of (Y, σ) .

Remark 4.1. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and m_X an *m*-structure on *X*.

(1) If $m_X = \tau$ (resp. SO(X), PO(X), $\alpha(X)$, BO(X), $\beta(X)$) and $f : (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$ is gm-continuous, then we obtain Definition 2.8.

(2) If $m_X = \tau$ (resp. SO(X), PO(X), $\alpha(X)$, BO(X), $\beta(X)$) and $f : (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$ is contra *m*-*lc*-continuous, then *f* is said to be *contra LC*-continuous (resp. contra *B*-continuous, contra A₇-continuous, contra *q*-continuous, contra *BC*-continuous, contra *C*-continuous).

Theorem 4.2. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and m_X a minimal structure on X having property \mathcal{B} . Then a function $f : (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$ is *m*-continuous if and only if f is gm-continuous and contra *m*-*lc*-continuous.

Proof. This is an immediate consequence of Theorm 4.1 and Corollary 3.1.

Corollary 4.2. For a function $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$, the following properties hold:

(1) f is continuous if and only if f is g-continuous and contra LC-continuous.

(2) f is semi-continuous if and only if f is gs-continuous and contra B-continuous.

(3) f is precontinuous if and only if f is gp-continuous and contra A_7 -continuous. (4) f is α -continuous if and only if f is α g-continuous and contra η -continuous. (5) f is γ g-continuous if and only if f is γ g-continuous and contra BC-continuous. (6) f is β -continuous if and only if f is gsp-continuous and contra C-continuous.

Definition 4.2. A function $f : (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be *contra-continuous* [10] if $f^{-1}(F)$ is open in (X, τ) for each closed set F of (Y, σ) .

Theorem 4.3. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and m_X a minimal structure on X having property \mathcal{B} . Then, a contra continuous function $f : (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$ is *m*-continuous if and only if f is gm-continuous.

Proof. Suppose that f is contra continuous and gm-continuous. Let F be any closed set of (Y, σ) . Since f is contra-continuous, $f^{-1}(F)$ is open in (X, τ) and hence an m-lc-set of (X, τ) . Since f is gm-continuous, $f^{-1}(F)$ is gm-closed and hence, by Theorem 4.1, $f^{1}(F)$ is m-closed. Therefore, f is m-continuous. The converse is obvious.

Corollary 4.3. Let $f : (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$ be a contra-continuous function. Then the following properties hold:

(1) f is continuous if and only if f is g-continuous.

(2) f is semi-continuous if and only if f is gs-continuous.

(3) f is pre-continuous if and only if *qp*-continuous.

(4) f is α -continuous if and only if f is αg -continuous.

(5) f is *b*-continuous if and only if f is γg -continuous. (6) f is β -continuous if and only f is *gsp*-continuous.

New forms of decomposition of *m*-continuity

First, we recall the θ -closure and the δ -closure of a subset in a topological space. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and A a subset of X. A point $x \in X$ is called a θ -cluster (resp. δ -cluster) point of A if $Cl(V) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ (resp. $Int(Cl(V)) \cap A \neq \emptyset$) for every open set V containing x. The set of all θ -cluster (resp. δ -cluster) points of A is called the θ -closure (resp. δ -closure) of A and is denoted by $Cl_{\theta}(A)$ (resp. $Cl_{\delta}(A)$)[38].

Definition 5.1. A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is said to be (1) δ -preopen [34] (resp. θ -preopen [29]) if $A \subset Int(Cl_{\delta}(A))$ (resp. $A \subset Int(Cl_{\theta}(A))$),

(2) δ - β -open [17](resp. θ - β -open [29]) if $A \subset Cl(Int(Cl_{\delta}(A)))$ (resp. $A \subset Cl(Int(Cl_{\theta}(A))))$.

By $\delta PO(X)$ (resp. $\delta\beta(X)$, $\theta PO(X)$, $\theta\beta(X)$), we denote the collection of all δ -preopen (resp. δ - β -open, θ -preopen, θ - β -open) sets of a topological space (X, τ) . These four collections are *m*-structures with property \mathcal{B} .

Definition 5.2. The complement of a δ -preopen (resp. θ -preopen, δ - β -open, θ - β -open) set is said to be δ -preclosed (resp. θ -preclosed, δ - β -closed, θ - β -closed).

Definition 5.3. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and A a subset of X. The intersection of all δ -preclose (resp. θ -preclosed, δ - β -closed, θ - β -closed) sets of X containing A is called the δ -preclosure (resp. θ -preclosure, δ - β -closure, θ - β -closure of A and is denoted by pCl $_{\delta}(A)$ (resp. pCl $_{\theta}(A)$, spCl $_{\delta}(A)$, spCl $_{\theta}(A)$).

For subsets of a topological space (X, τ) , we can define many new variations of g-closed sets. For example, in case $m_X = delta PO(X)$, $\delta\beta(X)$, $\theta PO(X)$, $\theta\beta(X)$, we can define new types of g-closed sets as follows:

Definition 5.4. A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is said to be $g\delta p$ -closed [19] (resp. $g\theta p$ closed, $g\delta sp$ -closed, $g\theta sp$ -closed) if $Cl(A) \subset U$ whenever $A \subset U$ and U is δ -preopen (resp. θ -preopen, δ - β -open, θ - β -open) in (X, τ) .

Definition 5.5. A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is called a δp -lc set or ξ -set [19] (resp. θp -lc set, $\delta \beta$ -lc set, $\theta \beta$ -lc set) if $A = U \cap F$, where U is open in (X, τ) and F is δp -closed (resp. θp -closed, δ - β -closed, θ - β -closed) in (X, τ) .

Corollary 5.1. For a subset A of a topological space (X, τ) , the following properties hold:

(1) A is δ -preclosed if and only if A is $g\delta p$ -closed and a δp -lc set (Theorem 4 of [19]).

(2) A is θ -preclosed if and only if A is $g\theta p$ -closed and a θp -lc set.

(3) A is δ - β -closed if and only if A is $g\delta sp$ -closed and a $\delta\beta$ -lc set.

(4) A is θ - β -closed if and only if A is $g\theta sp$ -closed and a $\theta\beta$ -lc set.

Proof. Let $m_X = \delta PO(X)$, $\theta PO(X)$, $\delta \beta(X)$ and $\theta \beta(X)$. Then this is an immediate consequence of Theorem 4.1.

By defining functions similarly to Definition 4.1, we obtain the following decompositions of weak forms of continuity:

Corollary 5.2. For a function $f : (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$, the following properties hold:

- (1) f is δ -precontinuous if and only if f is $g\delta p$ -continuous and δplc -continuous.
- (2) f is θ -precontinuous if and only if f is $g\theta p$ -continuous and θplc -continuous.

(3) *f* is δ - β -continuous if and only if *f* is $g\delta sp$ -continuous and $\delta\beta$ -*lc*-continuous.

(4) f is θ - β -continuous if and only if f is $g\theta sp$ -continuous and $\theta\beta$ -lc-continuous.

Proof. This is an immediate consequence of Theorem 4.2.

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O descompunere a m-continuității

Rezumat

Folosind un m-spațiu (X, m_X) , definim noțiunile de mulțimi gm-închise si de m-lc-mulțimi și obținem o descompunere a m-continuității. Această descompunere permite apoi obținerea unor descompuneri ale formelor slabe de continuitate.