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Allied & -Continuous Functions in Topology

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ABSTRACT: In 1970 ,Gentry and Hoyle have defined and studied the notion of c-continuity in topological spaces. Later, Long et al and Gauld have studied some more properties of c-continuity in the literature. In 1981 , Kohli has defined and studied a class of functions called I-continuous functions in topological spaces which is stronger than c-continuity. In 1963,1965,1982 and 1983 N.Levine , O.Njastad , Mashhour et al and M.E.Abd El-Monsef et al have defined and studied the concepts of semiopen sets , α -open sets , preopen sets and β -open sets in topology. The purpose of this paper is to define and study the new classes of functions called **Ip**-continuous functions , **Is**-continuous functions , **Ia**-continuous functions & **I** β -continuous functions and also , we obtain their basic properties.

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I. INTRODUCTION

In 1970, Gentry and Hoyle [22] have defined and studied the new class of functions called c-continuous functions. Latter, in 1974 & 1975, Long et al [25 & 26] have studied further properties of c-continuous functions and defined a new class of functions called c*-continuous functions in topological spaces. Again, in 1978 Gauld [5] has studied some more properties of c-continuous functions via cocompact topologies. In 1981, Kohli [23] has defined and studied a class of functions called l-continuous functions in topological spaces which is stronger than c-continuity. In 1963, 1965, 1982 and 1983 N.Levine [24], O.Njastad [42], Mashhour et al [29] and M.E.Abd El-Monsef et al [1] have defined and studied the concepts of semiopen sets, α -open sets, preopen sets and β -open sets in topology. The purpose of this paper is to define and study the new classes of functions called **lp**-continuous functions, **ls**-continuous functions, **la**-continuous functions & **l** β -continuous functions and also, we obtain their basic properties.

II. PRELIMINARIES

Throughout the present paper, spaces (X,τ) and (Y, σ) (or simply, X and Y) always mean topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed unless explicitly stated and $f: X \rightarrow Y$ denotes a single valued function of a space (X, τ) in to a space (Y, σ) . A be a subset of space X. The closure and the interior of A are denoted by Cl(A) and Int(A) respectively. A subset A of a space X is called regular open (resp. regular closed) if A = Int Cl(A) (resp. A = Cl Int(A)). The following definitions and results are useful in the sequel

Definition 2.1: A subset A of a space X is said to be

(i) α -open [42] set if A \subset IntClInt(A).

(ii) semiopen [24] set if $A \subset ClInt(A)$.

(iii) preopen [29] set if $A \subset IntClA$).

(iv)semipreopen[5] (= β -open [1]) set if A \subset ClIntCl(A).

The complement of an α -open (resp. semiopen, preopen, β -open) set in X is called α -closed [30] (resp.semiclosed [6] pre-closed [16], β -closed[2]). The family of all α -open (resp. semiopen, preopen, β -open) sets in a space X is denoted by $\alpha O(X)$ (resp. SO(X), PO(X), $\beta O(X)$).

Definition 2.2:The intersection of all preclosed (resp. semiclosed, α -closed, β -closed) sets containing A is called the preclosure[16] (resp. the semiclosure[12], the α -closure[30], β -closure[2]) of A and is denoted by pClA](resp. sCl(A), α Cl(A), β Cl(A)).



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The union of all pre-open (resp. semiopen , α -open , β -open) sets which are contained in A is called pre-interior (resp. semi-interior , α -interior , β -interior) of A and is denoted by pInt(A) [31&33](resp. sInt(A) [13&34], α Int(A) [35], β Int(A)[2]).

Definition 2.3 : A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is called :

- (i) precontinuous [29] if the inverse image of each open set U of Y is preopen set in X.
- (ii) semicontinuous [24] if the inverse image of each open set U of Y is semiopen set in X.
- (iii) α -continuous [30] if the inverse image of each open set U of Y is α -open set in X.
- (iv) β -continuous [1] if the inverse image of each open set U of Y is β -open set in X.

Definition 2.4[32] : A function $f:X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be M-preopen(resp. M-preclosed) if the image of each preopen (resp. preclosed) subset of X is preopen (resp. preclosed) subset in Y.

Definition 2.5[27] : A function f:X \rightarrow Y is said to be pre- β -open(resp. pre- β -closed) if the image of each β -open (resp. β -closed) subset of X is β -open (resp. β -closed) subset in Y.

Definition 2.6[14] : A function f:X \rightarrow Y is said to be pre- α -open(resp. pre- α -closed) if the image of each α -open (resp. α -closed) subset of X is α -open (resp. α -closed) subset in Y.

Definition 2.7[11&17] : A function $f:X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be presemiopen(resp. presemiclosed) if the image of each semiopen (resp. semiclosed) subset of X is semiopen (resp. semiclosed) subset in Y.

Definition 2.8[22] : A function $f : X \to Y$ is said to be c-continuous if for each $x \in X$ and each open set $V \subset Y$ containing f(x) and having compact complement, there exists an open set U containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$.

Theorem 2.9[22,Th. 1] : Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function .Then the following statements are equivalent :

(i)f is c-continuous.

(ii) If V is an open subset of Y with compact complement, then $f^{-1}(V)$ is open subset of X.

These statements are implied by :

(iii)If F is a compact subset of Y, then $f^{-1}(F)$ is closed subset of X and, moreover, if Y is Hausdorff, then all the above statements : (i)-(iii) are equivalent.

Theorem 2.10 : Let $f : X \to Y$ be a function . Then, f is c-continuous iff :

(i)The inverse image of each open subset of Y having compact complement is open in X [25].

(ii)The inverse image of each closed compact subset of Y is closed in X [26].

Definition 2.11[23] : A function $f : X \to Y$ is called **l**-continuous if for each point $x \in X$ and each open set V containing f(x) and having Lindeloff complement there is an open set U containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$.

Theorem 2.12[23, Th.2.1]: Let $f : X \to Y$ be a function from a topological space X into a topological space Y. The following are equivalent:

- (i) f is **l**-continuous.
- (ii) If V is an open subset of Y having Lindeloff complement, then $f^{-1}(V)$ is an open subset of X.
- (iii) If F is a closed Lindeloff subset of Y, then $f^{-1}(F)$ is closed in X.
- (iv) For each $x \in X$ and each net $\{x_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in D}$ which converges to x, the net $\{f(x_{\alpha})\}_{\alpha \in D}$ is eventually in each open set containing f(x) and having Lindeloff complement.

Definition 2.13[10&38] : A function $f : X \to Y$ is said to be c-semicontinuous if for each $x \in X$ and each open set $V \subset Y$ containing f(x) and having compact complement, there exists an semiopen set U containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$.

Definition 2.14[39]: A function $f: X \to Y$ is said to be c-precontinuous if for each $x \in X$ and each open set $V \subset Y$ containing f(x) and having compact complement, there exists an preopen set U containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$.



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Definition 2.15[40] : A function $f : X \to Y$ is said to be c- α -continuous if for each $x \in X$ and each open set $V \subset Y$ containing f(x) and having compact complement, there exists an α -open set U containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$.

Definition 2.16[41] : A function $f : X \to Y$ is said to be c- β -continuous if for each $x \in X$ and each open set $V \subset Y$ containing f(x) and having compact complement, there exists an β -open set U containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$.

Definition 2.17[32]: Let X be a space and $\{x_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in D}$ be a net in X. Let $x \in X$ then $\{x_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in D}$ preconverges to x, denoted by $\{x_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in D} \xrightarrow{p} x$ iff it is eventually in every preopen set containing x.

Definition 2.18[3]: Let X be a space and $\{x_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in D}$ be a net in X.Let $x \in X$ then $\{x_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in D}$ s-converges to x, denoted by $\{x_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in D} \xrightarrow{s} x$ iff it is eventually in every semiopen set containing x.

Definition 2.19 : A space X is said to be :

- (i) submaximal [8] if every dense subset of it is open (i.e. if $PO(X) = \tau$ [46]).
- (ii) an extremally disconnected (E.D.) [47] if closure of each open set is open in it (i.e. if $A \in \tau$ for each $A \in RF(X)$ [19]).
- (iii) PS-space [4] if every preopen set of X is semiopen in X.
- (iv) α -space [18] if every α -open set of X is open in X(i.e. $\tau = \alpha O(X)$).
- (v) β -space [9] if every β -open set of X is open in X (i.e. $\tau = \beta O(X)$).

Remark 2.20: It is known that , $\tau \subset \alpha O(X) \subset SO(X) \subset \beta O(X)$ and $\tau \subset \alpha O(X) \subset PO(X) \subset \beta O(X)$.

Theorem 2. 21 [18]: In an α -space X, we have $\tau = \alpha O(X)$.

Theorem 2.22 [4]: For a space X the following conditions are equivalent :

- (i) X is an E.D. space,
- (ii) $SO(X) \subset PO(X)$ (i.e. each semiopen subset is preopen),
- (iii) $SO(X) \subset \alpha O(X)$ (i.e. each semiopen subset is α -open),
- (iv) $\beta O(X) \subset PO(X)$ (i.e. each β -open subset is preopen).

Theorem 2.23 [4]: A space X is PS-space if it satisfies the following equivalent conditions :

- (i) $PO(X) \subset SO(X)$ (i.e. each preopen subset is semiopen),
- (ii) $\beta O(X) \subset SO(X)$ (i.e. each β -open subset is semiopen),
- (iii) $PO(X) \subset \alpha O(X)$ (i.e. each preopen subset is α -open).

III. PROPERTIES OF lp-CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS

We, define the following.

Definition 3.1 : A function $f : X \to Y$ is said to be lp-continuous if for each $x \in X$ and each open set $V \subset Y$ containing f(x) and having Lindeloff complement, there exists an preopen set U containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$. Clearly, every l-continuous function is lp-continuous & every lp-continuous function is c-precontinuous.

We, recall the following.

Definition 3.2 [44] : Let $x \in X$. A set $U \subset X$ is called a pre-neighbourhood (in brief, pre-nbd) of x in X if there exists $A \in PO(X)$ such that $x \in A \subset U$.

Theorem 3.3 [33]: A subset of a space X is preopen if it is a pre-neighborhood of each of its points. We, prove the following .

Theorem 3.4 : Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function .Then the following statements are equivalent :

- (i) f is **lp**-continuous.
- (ii) If V is an open subset of Y with Lindelöf complement, then $f^{-1}(V)$ is preopen subset of X.
- (iii) If F is a closed Lindelöf subset of Y, then $f^{1}(F)$ is preclosed subset of X and,



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Proof follows by Theorem 2.12 above. Easy proof of the following is omitted.

Lemma 3.5: A function $f: X \to Y$ is said to be **lp**-continuous if the inverse image of each open subset of Y having Lindelöf complement is preopen in X.

Lemma 3.6 : A function $f: X \to Y$ is said to be **lp**-continuous if the inverse image of each closed Lindelöf subset of Y is preclosed in X.

We, recall the following.

Lemma 3.7[43]: If $A \in SO(X)$ and $V \in PO(X)$, then $A \cap V \in PO(A)$..

Lemma 3.8 [16]: If $A \in \alpha O(X)$ and $V \in PO(X)$ then $A \cap V \in PO(A)$.. Next, we state the following.

Theorem 3.9 : If $f : X \to Y$ is **lp**-continuous function and A be an semiopen subset of X, then $f/A : A \to Y$ is also **lp**-continuous.

Theorem 3.10 : If $f : X \to Y$ is **lp**-continuous function and A be an α -open subset of X, then $f/A : A \to Y$ is also **lp**-continuous.

Theorem 3.11 : If $f: X \to Y$ is preirresolute and $g: Y \to Z$ is **lp**-continuous, then gof is **lp**-continuous.

Proof. Let U be an open subset of Z having Lindelöf complement. Then, $g^{-1}(U)$ is preopen set in Y, since g is **lp**-continuous. Again, as f is prerresolute & $g^{-1}(U)$ is preopen subset of Y, $(gof)^{-1}(U) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U))$ is preopen subset in X. This shows that gof is **lp**-continuous function.

Corollary 3.12 : If $f : X \to Y$ is precontinuous and $g : Y \to Z$ is l-continuous, then gof is lp-continuous. We, recall the following.

Definition 3.13[36] : A function $f: X \to Y$ is said to be p- continuous if the inverse image of each preopen set of Y is open in X.

We state the following

Theorem 3.14: If $f: X \to Y$ is p-continuous and g: $Y \to Z$ is **lp**-continuous, then gof is **l**-continuous. We, define the following.

Definition 3.15 : A function $f: X \to Y$ is said to be α p-continuous if the inverse image of each α -open set of Y is preopen in X.

We state the following

Theorem 3.16: If $f: X \to Y$ is αp - continuous and $g: Y \to Z$ is $l\alpha$ -continuous, then gof is lp-continuous. We, recall the following.

Definition 3.17 [21] : A function $f: X \to Y$ is said to be contra pre-continuous if the inverse image of each open set of Y is preclosed in X.

We, state the following.

Theorem 3.18 : Let $f : X \to Y$ be contra-pre-continuous function and $g : Y \to Z$ be 1-continuous function. Then, gof is **lp**-continuous.

Theorem 3.19 : Let $f: X \to Y$ be either M-preopen or M-preclosed surjection and let $g: Y \to Z$ be any function such that gof is **lp**-continuous . Then, g is **lp**-continuous .



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Proof : Suppose f is M-preopen (resp.M-preclosed) surjection and V be an open subset with Lindelöf complement (resp. V be a closed Lindelöf subset) in Z. Since gof is **lp**-continuous, $(gof)^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ is preopen (resp. preclosed) subset in X by Th.3.5 & Th.3.6. Since f is M-preopen (resp. M-preclosed) surjection, then f $(f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))) = g^{-1}(V)$ is preopen (resp. preclosed) set in Y and consequently, g is **lp**-continuous function in either case. We, recall the following.

Definition 3.20[36] : A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be p-open (resp. p-closed) if the image of each preopen (resp. preclosed) subset of X is open (resp. closed) in Y.

Theorem 3.21 : Let $f: X \to Y$ be either p-open or p-closed surjection and let $g: Y \to Z$ be any function such that gof is **lp**-continuous . Then, g is **l**-continuous .

Proof is similar to that of Theorem -5.17 above.

In view of Th.2.23(i) & (ii), respectively, we state the following.

Remark 3.22: (i) Every lp-continuous function is ls-continuous (also See Remark-4.23(i))

(ii) Every **lp**-continuous function is **lα**-continuous (also See Remark-5.20(ii))

In view of Th.2.23 (i) above (i.e. in an PS-space , every preopen subset is semiopen & every preopen subset is an α -open, resp.), so , we have the following.

Theorem 3.23 : Let $f: X \to Y$ be a presemiopen surjection with an PS.-space X and let $g: Y \to Z$ be any function such that gof is **lp**-continuous. Then, g is **ls**-continuous.

Proof : Suppose f is presemiopen surjective function with an PS.-space X and V be an open subset with Lindelöf complement in Z. Since gof is **lp**-continuous, $(gof)^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ is preopen subset in X. Since a space X is PS.-space assumed and hence $(gof)^{-1}(V)$ is semiopen subset in X by Th.2.20(i). Also, as f is presemiopen and surjective function, $f(f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))) = g^{-1}(V)$ is semiopen subset in Y and consequently, g is **ls**-continuous.

Theorem 3.24 : Let $f : X \to Y$ be pre- α -open surjection with a PS -space X and let $g : Y \to Z$ be any function such that gof is **lp**-continuous .Then, g is **la**-continuous [See Th.-5.22].

In view of the fact that an arbitrary union of semiopen (resp. pre-open) sets is semiopen [13](resp. pre-open[33]), we have the following:

Theorem 3.25 : If X and Y are two topological spaces and $X = A \cup B$, where A and B are semiopen subsets of X and $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a function such that f|A and f|B are **lp**-continuous, then f is **lp**-continuous.

Proof : Assume that A and B are semiopen subsets in X. Let U be an open subset of Y with Lindelöf complement. Then, we hav $f^{-1}(U) = (f|A)^{-1}(U) \cup (f|B)^{-1}(U)$, each of which is preopen by Lemma-3.7. Thus, $f^{-1}(U)$ is preopen in X and hence f is **lp** -continuous.

Again , in view of the fact that an arbitrary union of α -open (resp. preopen) sets is α -open [[35](resp. preopen[33]). So, by virtue of Lemma-3.7, we have the following :

Theorem 3.26 : If X and Y are two topological spaces and $X = A \cup B$, where A and B are α -open subsets of X and f: $X \rightarrow Y$ is a function such that f|A and f|B are **lp**-continuous, then f is **lp**-continuous.

We, define the following.

Definition 3.27 : A function $f : X \to Y$ is said to be **lp**- irresolute if for each $x \in X$ and each preopen set $V \subset Y$ containing f(x) and having Lindeloff complement, there exists an preopen set U containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$.

Definition 3.28 : A function $f : X \to Y$ is said to be c-pre-irresolute if for each $x \in X$ and each preopen set $V \subset Y$ containing f(x) and having compact complement, there exists an preopen set U containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$.

Remark 3.29 : (i)Every lp-irresolute function is lp-continuous

(ii)Every c-preirresolute function is c-continuous

(iii) Every ${\bf lp}\mbox{-}{\rm irresolute}\,$ function is c-pre-irresolute .



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We, prove the following.

Theorem 3.30 : Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function .Then the following statements are equivalent :

- (i) f is **lp**-irresolute.
- (ii) If V is an preopen subset of Y with Lindelöf complement, then $f^{-1}(V)$ is preopen subset of X.
- (iii) If F is a preclosed Lindelöf subset of Y, then $f^{-1}(F)$ is preclosed subset of X and,
- (iv) For each $x \in X$ and each net $\{x_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in D}$ which p-converges to x, the net $\{f(x_{\lambda})\}_{\lambda \in D}$ is eventually in each preopen set containing f(x) and having Lindeloff complement.

Proof follows by Theorem 2.12 above.

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We, define the following.

Definition 4.1 : A function $f : X \to Y$ is said to be ls-continuous if for each $x \in X$ and each open set $V \subset Y$ containing f(x) and having Lindeloff complement, there exists an semiopen set U containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$.

Clearly, every ls-continuous function is c-semicontinuous.

We, recall the following.

Definition 4.2 [7]: Let $x \in X$. A subset $U \subset X$ is called semi neighbourhood of x in X if there exists $A \in SO(X)$ such that $x \in A \subset U$.

Theorem 4.3 [13&34]: A subset of a space X is semi open iff it is a semi-neighbourhood of each of its points. We, prove the following .

Theorem 4.4 : Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function .Then the following statements are equivalent :

(i) f is **ls**-continuous.

- (ii) If V is an open subset of Y with Lindelöf complement, then $f^{-1}(V)$ is semiopen subset of X.
- (iii) If F is a closed Lindelöf subset of Y, then $f^{-1}(F)$ is semiclosed subset of X and,

Proof follows by Theorem 2.12 above. Easy proof of the following is omitted.

Lemma 4.5: A function $f: X \to Y$ is said to be **ls**-continuous if the inverse image of each open subset of Y having Lindelöf complement is semiopen in X.

Lemma 4.6 : A function $f: X \to Y$ is said to be **ls**-continuous if the inverse image of each closed Lindelöf subset of Y is semiclosed in X.

We, recall the following.

 $\label{eq:lemma 4.7[43]: If $A \in PO(X)$ and $V \in SO(X)$, then $A \cap V \in SO(A)$. Next, we state the following.}$

Theorem 4.8 : If $f : X \to Y$ is **ls**-continuous function and A be an preopen subset of X, then $f/A : A \to Y$ is also **ls**-continuous.

Theorem 4.9 : If $f: X \to Y$ is irresolute and $g: Y \to Z$ is **ls**-continuous, then gof is **ls**-continuous.

Proof. Let U be an open subset of Z having Lindelöf complement. Then, $g^{-1}(U)$ is semiopen set in Y, since g is **ls**-continuous. Again, as f is irresolute & $g^{-1}(U)$ is semiopen subset of Y, $(gof)^{-1}(U) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U))$ is semiopen subset in X. This shows that gof is **ls**-continuous function.

Corollary 4.10 : If $f: X \to Y$ is semicontinuous and $g: Y \to Z$ is l-continuous, then gof is ls-continuous.



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We, define the following.

Definition 4.11 : A function $f: X \to Y$ is said to be sst- continuous if the inverse image of each semiopen set of Y is open in X.

We state the following

- **Theorem 4.12:** If $f: X \to Y$ is sst-continuous and $g: Y \to Z$ is **ls**-continuous, then gof is **l**-continuous. We, define the following.
- **Definition 4.13**: A function $f: X \to Y$ is said to be s α -continuous if the inverse image of each α -open set of Y is semiopen in X.

We state the following

Theorem 4.14: If $f: X \to Y$ is sa- continuous and $g: Y \to Z$ is la-continuous, then gof is ls-continuous. We, recall the following.

Definition 4.15 [15] : A function $f: X \to Y$ is said to be contra-semi-continuous if the inverse image of each open set of Y is semiclosed in X.

We, state the following.

Theorem 4.16 : Let $f : X \to Y$ be contra- semi-continuous function and $g : Y \to Z$ be 1-continuous function. Then, gof is **ls**-continuous.

Theorem 4.17 : Let $f : X \to Y$ be either presemiopen or presemiclosed surjection and let $g : Y \to Z$ be any function such that gof is **ls**-continuous . Then, g is **ls**-continuous .

Proof : Suppose f is presemiopen (resp. presemiclosed) surjection and V be an open subset with Lindelöf complement (resp. V be a closed Lindelöf subset) in Z. Since gof is **ls**-continuous, $(gof)^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ is semiopen (resp. semiclosed) subset in X by Th.4.5 & Th.4.6. Since f is presemiopen (resp.presemiclosed) surjection, then $f(f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))) = g^{-1}(V)$ is semiopen (resp. semiclosed) set in Y and consequently, g is **ls**-continuous function in either case.

We, define the following.

Definition 4.18 : A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be sts-open (resp. sts-closed) if the image of each semiopen (resp. semiclosed) subset of X is open (resp. closed) in Y.

Theorem 4.19 : Let $f: X \to Y$ be either sts-open or sts-closed surjection and let $g: Y \to Z$ be any function such that gof is **ls**-continuous . Then, g is **l**-continuous .

Proof is similar to that of Theorem -5.17 above.

In view of Th.2.22(ii) & (iii), respectively, we state the following.

Remark 4.20 : (i) Every ls-continuous function is lp-continuous

(ii) Every **ls**-continuous function is $l\alpha$ -continuous (to See Remark-5.20(i))

In view of Th.2.23(ii) & (iii) & , respectively , we state the following.

Remark 4.21 : (i) Every lp-continuous function is ls-continuous

(ii) Every $l\beta$ -continuous function is **ls**-continuous (to See Remark-6.16(ii))

In view of Th.2.22 (ii)&(iii) above (i.e. in an E.D.-space , every semiopen subset is preopen & every semiopen subset is an α -open, resp.), so , we have the following.

Theorem 4.22 : Let $f: X \to Y$ be a M-pre open surjection with an E.D.-space X and let $g: Y \to Z$ be any function such that gof is **ls**-continuous. Then, g is **lp**-continuous.

Proof : Suppose f is M-preopen surjective function with an E.D.-space X and V be an open subset with Lindelöf complement in Z. Since gof is **ls**-continuous, $(gof)^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ is semiopen subset in X. Since a space X is



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E.D.-space assumed and hence $(gof)^{-1}(V)$ is preopen subset in X by Th.2.19(ii). Also, as f is M-preopen and surjective function, $f(f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))) = g^{-1}(V)$ is preopen subset in Y and consequently, g is **lp**-continuous.

Remark 4.23 : For the Case of Th.2.22(iii), to See Th. 5.21.

In view of Th.2.23 (i) above (i.e. in a PS-space, every preopen subset is semiopen), so, we have the following.

Theorem 4.24 : Let $f: X \to Y$ be presemiopen surjection with a PS -space X and let $g: Y \to Z$ be any function such that gof is **lp**-continuous .Then, g is **ls**-continuous .

Proof: Suppose f is presemiopen surjective function with a PS-space X and V be an open subset with Lindelöf complement in Z. Since gof is **lp**-continuous, $(gof)^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ is preopen subset in X. Since a space X is PS-space and hence $(gof)^{-1}(V)$ is semiopen subset in X by Th.2.20(i). Also, as f is presemiopen and surjective function, $f(f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))) = g^{-1}(V)$ is semiopen subset in Y and consequently, g is **ls**-continuous.

Remark 4.25 : For the Case of Th.2.23(ii), to See Th. 6.18.

In view of the fact that an arbitrary union of preopen (resp. semiopen) sets is preopen (resp. semiopen) [] & [], we have the following :

Theorem 4.26 : If X and Y are two topological spaces and $X = A \cup B$, where A and B are preopen subsets of X and $f: X \to Y$ is a function such that f|A and f|B are **ls**-continuous, then f is **ls**-continuous.

Proof: Assume that A and B are preopen subsets in X. Let U be an open subset of Y with Lindelöf complement. Then, we hav $f^{-1}(U) = (f|A)^{-1}(U) \cup (f|B)^{-1}(U)$, each of which is semiopen by Lemma-4.6. Thus, $f^{-1}(U)$ is semiopen in X and hence f is ls -continuous.

Again in view of the fact that an arbitrary union of α -open (resp. semiopen) sets is α -open [35](resp. semiopen[13&34]). So, by virtue of Lemma-4.7, we have the following :

Theorem 4.27: If X and Y are two topological spaces and $X = A \cup B$, where A and B are α -open subsets of X and $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a function such that f|A and f|B are **ls**-continuous, then f is **ls**-continuous.

We, define the following.

Definition 4.28 : A function $f: X \to Y$ is said to be l-irresolute if for each $x \in X$ and each semiopen set $V \subset Y$ containing f (x) and having Lindeloff complement, there exists an semiopen set U containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$.

Definition 4.29 : A function $f: X \to Y$ is said to be c-irresolute if for each $x \in X$ and each semiopen set $V \subset Y$ containing f (x) and having compact complement, there exists an semiopen set U containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$.

Remark 4.30 : (i)Every 1-irresolute function is 1s-continuous

(ii)Every c-irresolute function is c-continuous

(iii)Every l-irresolute function is c-irresolute .

We, prove the following.

Theorem 4.31: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function .Then the following statements are equivalent :

- f is l-irresolute. (i)
- If V is an semiopen subset of Y with Lindelöf complement, then $f^{-1}(V)$ is semiopen subset of X. (ii)
- If F is a semiclosed Lindelöf subset of Y, then $f^{1}(F)$ is semiclosed subset of X and, (iii)
- (iv) For each $x \in X$ and each net $\{x_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in D}$ which s-converges to x, the net $\{f(x_{\lambda})\}_{\lambda \in D}$ is eventually in each semiopen set containing f(x) and having Lindeloff complement.

Proof follows by Theorem 2.12 above.



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IV. PROPERTIES OF 1a-CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS

We, define the following.

Definition 5.1 : A function $f : X \to Y$ is said to be $l\alpha$ -continuous if for each $x \in X$ and each open set $V \subset Y$ containing f(x) and having Lindeloff complement, there exists an α -open set U containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$. Clearly, every $l\alpha$ -continuous function is c- α -continuous.

We, recall the following.

Definition 5.2 [35]: Let $x \in X$. A set $U \subset X$ is called a α -neighbourhood (in brief, α -nbd) of x in X if there exists $A \in \alpha O(X)$ such that $x \in A \subset U$.

Theorem 5.3[35]: A subset of a space X is α -open if it is a α -neighborhood of each of its points. We, prove the following.

Theorem 5.4 : Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function .Then the following statements are equivalent :

- (i) f is $l\alpha$ -continuous.
- (ii) If V is an open subset of Y with Lindelöf complement, then $f^{-1}(V)$ is α -open subset of X.
- (iii) If F is a closed Lindelöf subset of Y, then $f^{-1}(F)$ is α -closed subset of X and,

Proof follows by Theorem 2.12 above.

Easy proof of the following is omitted.

Lemma 5.5: A function $f: X \to Y$ is said to be $l\alpha$ -continuous if the inverse image of each open subset of Y having Lindelöf complement is α -open in X.

Lemma 5.6 : A function $f: X \to Y$ is said to be **la**-continuous if the inverse image of each closed Lindelöf subset of Y is α -closed in X.

We, recall the following.

Lemma 5.7[28] : If $A \in PO(X)$ and $V \in \alpha O(X)$, then $A \cap V \in \alpha O(A)$.

Lemma 5.8[45] : If $A \in SO(X)$ and $V \in \alpha O(X)$, then $A \cap V \in \alpha O(A)$. Next, we state the following.

Theorem 5.9 : If $f : X \to Y$ is $l\alpha$ -continuous function and A be an preopen subset of X, then $f/A : A \to Y$ is also $l\alpha$ -continuous.

Theorem 5.10 : If $f : X \to Y$ is $l\alpha$ -continuous function and A be an semiopen subset of X, then $f/A : A \to Y$ is also $l\alpha$ -continuous.

Theorem 5.11 : If $f: X \to Y$ is α -irresolute and $g: Y \to Z$ is $l\alpha$ -continuous, then gof is $l\alpha$ -continuous.

Proof. Let U be an open subset of Z having Lindelöf complement. Then, $g^{-1}(U)$ is α -open set in Y, since g is $l\alpha$ -continuous. Again, as f is α -irresolute, $g^{-1}(U)$ is α -open subset of Y, $(gof)^{-1}(U) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U))$ is α -open subset in X. This shows that gof is $l\alpha$ -continuous function.

Corollary 5.12 : If $f: X \to Y$ is α -continuous and $g: Y \to Z$ is l-continuous, then gof is $l\alpha$ -continuous. We, define the following.

Definition 5.13 : A function $f: X \to Y$ is said to be α s- continuous if the inverse image of each α -open set of Y is open in X.

We state the following

Theorem 5.14: If $f: X \to Y$ is α s- continuous and $g: Y \to Z$ is $l\alpha$ -continuous, then gof is l-continuous.



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We, recall the following.

Definition 5.17 [20] : A function $f: X \to Y$ is said to be contra α -continuous if the inverse image of each open set of Y is α -closed in X.

We, state the following.

Theorem 5.18 : Let $f : X \to Y$ be contra α -continuous function and $g : Y \to Z$ be 1-continuous function. Then, gof is $l\alpha$ -continuous.

Theorem 5.19 : Let $f : X \to Y$ be either pre- α -open or pre- α -closed surjection and let $g : Y \to Z$ be any function such that gof is **l** α -continuous . Then, g is **l** α -continuous .

Proof : Suppose f is pre- α -open (resp. pre- α -closed) surjection and V be an open subset with Lindelöf complement (resp. V be a closed Lindelöf subset) in Z. Since gof is \mathbf{la} -continuous, $(gof)^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ is α -open (resp. α -closed) subset in X by Th.5.4 & Th.5.5. Since f is pre- α -open (resp.pre- α -closed) surjection, then f ($f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$) = $g^{-1}(V)$ is α -open (resp. α -closed) set in Y and consequently, g is \mathbf{la} -continuous function in either case.

We, define the following.

Definition 5.20 : A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be strongly α -open (resp. strongly α -closed) if the image of each α -open (resp. α -closed) subset of X is open (resp. closed) in Y.

Theorem 5.21 : Let $f : X \to Y$ be either strongly α -open or strongly α -closed surjection and let $g : Y \to Z$ be any function such that gof is **l** α -continuous . Then, g is **l**-continuous .

Proof is similar to that of Theorem -5.17 above.

In view of Th.2.22 (iii) & Th.2.23(iii), respectively, we state the following.

Remark 5.22 : (i) Every **Is**-continuous function is **Iα**-continuous

(ii) Every **lp**-continuous function is $l\alpha$ -continuous

In view of Th.2.22 (iii) above (i.e. in an E.D.-space , every semiopen subset is α -open) , so , we have the following.

Theorem 5.23 : Let $f : X \to Y$ be a pre- α -pen surjection with an E.D.-space X and let $g : Y \to Z$ be any function such that gof is **ls**-continuous. Then, g is **la**-continuous.

Proof : Suppose f is pre- α -open surjective function with an E.D.-space X and V be an open subset with Lindelöf complement in Z. Since gof is **ls**-continuous, $(gof)^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ is semiopen subset in X. Since a space X is E.D.-space assumed and hence $(gof)^{-1}(V)$ is α -open subset in X by Th.2.19(iii). Also, as f is pre- α -open and surjective function, $f(f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))) = g^{-1}(V)$ is α -open subset in Y and consequently, g is **la**-continuous.

In view of Th.2.23 (iii) above (i.e. in a PS-space, every preopen subset is α -open), so, we have the following.

Theorem 5.24 : Let $f: X \to Y$ be pre- α -open surjection with a PS -space X and let $g: Y \to Z$ be any function such that gof is **lp**-continuous . Then, g is **la**-continuous .

Proof: Suppose f is pre- α -open surjective function with a PS-space X and V be an open subset with Lindelöf complement in Z. Since gof is **lp**-continuous, $(gof)^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ is preopen subset in X. Since a space X is PS-space and hence $(gof)^{-1}(V)$ is α -open subset in X by Th.2.20(iii). Also, as f is pre- α -open and surjective function, $f(f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))) = g^{-1}(V)$ is α -open subset in Y and consequently, g is **la**-continuous.

In view of the fact that an arbitrary union of preopen (resp. α -open) sets is preopen [33](resp. α -open[35]), we have the following :

Theorem 5.25 : If X and Y are two topological spaces and $X = A \cup B$, where A and B are preopen subsets of X and $f: X \to Y$ is a function such that f|A and f|B are $l\alpha$ -continuous, then f is $l\alpha$ -continuous.



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Proof : Assume that A and B are preopen subsets in X. Let U be an open subset of Y with Lindelöf complement. Then, we hav $f^{-1}(U) = (f|A)^{-1}(U) \cup (f|B)^{-1}(U)$, each of which is α -open by Lemma-5.6. Thus, $f^{-1}(U)$ is α -open in X and hence f is $l\alpha$ -continuous.

Again , in view of the fact that an arbitrary union of semiopen (resp. α -open) sets is semiopen[13&34] (resp. α -open[35]). So, by virtue of Lemma-5.7, we have the following:

Theorem 5.26 : If X and Y are two topological spaces and $X = A \cup B$, where A and B are semiopen subsets of X and $f: X \to Y$ is a function such that f|A and f|B are $l\alpha$ -continuous, then f is $l\alpha$ -continuous.

We, define the following.

Definition 5.27 : A function $f : X \to Y$ is said to be $l\alpha$ -irresolute if for each $x \in X$ and each α -open set $V \subset Y$ containing f(x) and having Lindeloff complement, there exists an α -open set U containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$.

Definition 5.28 : A function $f : X \to Y$ is said to be c- α -irresolute if for each $x \in X$ and each α -open set $V \subset Y$ containing f(x) and having compact complement, there exists an α -open set U containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$.

Remark 5.29 : (i)Every $|\alpha$ -irresolute function is $|\alpha$ -continuous

(ii)Every c- α -irresolute function is c- α -continuous

(iii)Every **la**-irresolute function is $c-\alpha$ -irresolute ...

We, define the following.

Definition 5.30 : Let X be a space and $\{x_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in D}$ be a net in X. Let $x \in X$ then $\{x_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in D}$ α -converges to x, denoted by $\{x_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in D} \stackrel{\alpha}{\to} x$ iff it is eventually in every preopen set containing x.

We, prove the following .

Theorem 5.31: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function .Then the following statements are equivalent :

- (i) f is $l\alpha$ -irresolute.
- (ii) If V is an α -open subset of Y with Lindelöf complement, then $f^{-1}(V)$ is α -open subset of X.
- (iii) If F is a α -closed Lindelöf subset of Y, then $f^{-1}(F)$ is α -closed subset of X and,
- (iv) For each $x \in X$ and each net $\{x_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in D}$ which α -converges to x, the net $\{f(x_{\lambda})\}_{\lambda \in D}$ is eventually in each α -open set containing f(x) and having Lindeloff complement.

Proof follows by Theorem 2.12 above.

V. PROPERTIES OF Iβ-CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS

We, define the following.

Definition 6.1 : A function $f : X \to Y$ is said to be $l\beta$ -continuous if for each $x \in X$ and each open set $V \subset Y$ containing f(x) and having Lindeloff complement, there exists an β -open set U containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$.

Clearly, every $l\beta$ -continuous function is c- β -continuous.

We, recall the following.

Definition 6.2 [37]: Let $x \in X$. A set $U \subset X$ is called a semipre-neighbourhood (= β -neighbourhood) (in brief, β -nbd) of x in X if there exists $A \in \beta O(X)$ such that $x \in A \subset U$.

Theorem 6.3 [37] : A subset of a space X is β -open if it is a β -neighborhood of each of its points. We, prove the following .

Theorem 6.4: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function .Then the following statements are equivalent :

- (i) f is $\mathbf{l}\boldsymbol{\beta}$ -continuous.
- (ii) If V is an open subset of Y with Lindelöf complement, then $f^{-1}(V)$ is β -open subset of X.
- (iii) If F is a closed Lindelöf subset of Y, then $f^{1}(F)$ is β -closed subset of X and,

Proof follows by Theorem 2.12 above.

Easy proof of the following is omitted.



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Lemma 6.5: A function $f: X \to Y$ is said to be $l\beta$ -continuous if the inverse image of each open subset of Y having Lindelöf complement is β -open in X.

Lemma 6.6 : A function $f: X \to Y$ is said to be $l\beta$ -continuous if the inverse image of each closed Lindelöf subset of Y is β -closed in X.

We, recall the following.

Lemma 6.7[1] : If $A \in \alpha O(X)$ and $V \in \beta O(X)$, then $A \cap V \in \beta O(A)$. Next, we prove the following.

Theorem 6.8 : If $f : X \to Y$ is $l\beta$ -continuous function and A be an α -open subset of X, then $f/A : A \to Y$ is also $l\beta$ -continuous.

Easy proof of the Theorem follows by Lemma - 6.6 above.

Theorem 6.9 : If $f: X \to Y$ is β -irresolute and $g: Y \to Z$ is $l\beta$ -continuous, then gof is $l\beta$ -continuous.

Proof. Let U be an open subset of Z having Lindelöf complement. Then, $g^{-1}(U)$ is β -open set in Y, since g is $l\beta$ -continuous. Again, as f is β -irresolute, $g^{-1}(U)$ is β -open subset of Y, $(gof)^{-1}(U) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U))$ is β -open subset in X. This shows that gof is $l\beta$ -continuous function.

Corollary 6.10 : If $f: X \to Y$ is β -continuous and $g: Y \to Z$ is l-continuous, then gof is $l\beta$ -continuous. We, define the following.

Definition 6.11 : A function $f: X \to Y$ is said to be st β -continuous if the inverse image of each β -open set of Y is open in X.

Theorem 6.12: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is st β -continuous and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ is $l\beta$ -continuous, then gof is l-continuous. Proof follows from Th.-6.9 and Def.-6.10. We, recall the following.

Definition 6.13 [9] : A function $f: X \to Y$ is said to be contra β -continuous if the inverse image of each open set of Y is β -closed in X.

We, state the following.

Theorem 6.14 : Let $f : X \to Y$ be contra β -continuous function and $g : Y \to Z$ be 1-continuous function. Then, gof is $I\beta$ -continuous.

Theorem 6.15 : Let $f : X \to Y$ be either pre- β -open or pre- β -closed surjection and let $g : Y \to Z$ be any function such that gof is $l\beta$ -continuous . Then, g is $l\beta$ -continuous .

Proof : Suppose f is pre- β -open (resp. pre- β -closed) surjection and V be an open subset with Lindelöf complement (resp. V be a closed Lindelöf subset) in Z. Since gof is $\mathbf{l}\boldsymbol{\beta}$ -continuous, $(gof)^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ is β -open (resp. β -closed) subset in X by Lemma-6.5 & Lemma-6.6. Since f is pre- β -open (resp.pre- β -closed) surjection, then $f(f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))) = g^{-1}(V)$ is β -open (resp. β -closed) set in Y and consequently, g is $\mathbf{l}\boldsymbol{\beta}$ -continuous function in either case. We, define the following.

Definition 6.16 : A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be st β -open (resp. st β -closed) if the image of each β -open (resp. β -closed) subset of X is open (resp. closed) in Y.

Theorem 6.17 : Let $f: X \to Y$ be either st β -open or st β -closed surjection and let $g: Y \to Z$ be any function such that gof is **l** β -continuous . Then, g is **l**-continuous .

Proof follows by Theorem -6.15 above.

In view of Th.2.22(iv) & Th.2.23 (ii), respectively, we state the following.



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Remark 6.18 : (i) Every **Ιβ**-continuous function is **lp**-continuous

(ii) Every $l\beta$ -continuous function is **ls**-continuous

In view of Th.2.22 (iv) above (i.e. in an E.D.-space, every β -open subset is preopen), so, we have the following.

Theorem 6.19 : Let $f : X \to Y$ be a M-Preopen surjection with an E.D.-space X and let $g : Y \to Z$ be any function such that gof is $l\beta$ -continuous. Then, g is lp-continuous.

Proof: Suppose f is M-preopen surjective function with an E.D.-space X and V be an open subset with Lindelöf complement in Z. Since gof is $l\beta$ -continuous, $(gof)^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ is β -open subset in X. Since a space X is E.D.-space assumed and hence $(gof)^{-1}(V)$ is preopen subset in X by Th.2.19 (iv). Also, as f is M-preopen and surjective function, $f(f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))) = g^{-1}(V)$ is preopen subset in Y and consequently, g is lp-continuous.

In view of Th.2.23 (ii) above (i.e. in a PS-space, every β -open subset is semiopen), so, we have the following.

Theorem 6.20 : Let $f : X \to Y$ be presemiopen surjection with a PS -space X and let $g : Y \to Z$ be any function such that gof is **l** β -continuous . Then, g is **l**s-continuous .

Proof : Suppose f is presemiopen surjective function with a PS-space X and V be an open subset with Lindelöf complement in Z. Since gof is $l\beta$ -continuous, $(gof)^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ is β -open subset in X. Since a space X is PS-space and hence $(gof)^{-1}(V)$ is semiopen subset in X by Th.2.20 (ii). Also, as f is presemiopen and surjective function, $f(f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))) = g^{-1}(V)$ is semiopen subset in Y and consequently, g is **ls**-continuous.

In view of the fact that an arbitrary union of β -open (resp. α -open) sets is β -open [1&37](resp. α -open[35]), we have the following :

Theorem 6.21 : If X and Y are two topological spaces and $X = A \cup B$, where A and B are α -open subsets of X and $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a function such that f|A and f|B are $l\beta$ -continuous, then f is $l\beta$ -continuous.

Proof: Assume that A and B are α -open subsets in X. Let U be an open subset of Y with Lindelöf complement. Then, we hav $f^{-1}(U) = (f|A)^{-1}(U) \cup (f|B)^{-1}(U)$, each of which is β -open by Lemma-6.6. Thus, $f^{-1}(U)$ is β -open in X and hence f is $\mathbf{l}\boldsymbol{\beta}$ -continuous.

We, define the following.

Definition 6.22 : A function $f : X \to Y$ is said to be $l\beta$ -irresolute if for each $x \in X$ and each β -open set $V \subset Y$ containing f(x) and having Lindeloff complement, there exists an β -open set U containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$.

Definition 6.23 : A function $f : X \to Y$ is said to be c- β -irresolute if for each $x \in X$ and each β -open set $V \subset Y$ containing f (x) and having compact complement, there exists an β -open set U containing x such that $f(U) \subset V$.

Remark 6.24: (i)Every lβ-irresolute function is lβ-continuous

(ii)Every c- β -irresolute function is c- β -continuous

(iii)Every **I** β -irresolute function is c- β -irresolute ...

Clearly, every $\mathbf{l}\boldsymbol{\beta}$ -irresolute function is c- β -irresolute.

We, define the following.

Definition 6.25: Let X be a space and $\{x_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in D}$ be a net in X. Let $x \in X$ then $\{x_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in D}$ β -converges to x, denoted by $\{x_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in D} \xrightarrow{\beta} x$ iff it is eventually in every β -open set containing x.

We, prove the following .

Theorem 6.26 : Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function .Then the following statements are equivalent :

- (i) f is $\mathbf{l}\boldsymbol{\beta}$ -irresolute.
- (ii) If V is an β -open subset of Y with Lindelöf complement, then $f^{-1}(V)$ is β -open subset of X.
- (iii) If F is a β -closed Lindelöf subset of Y, then $f^{-1}(F)$ is β -closed subset of X and,
- (iv) For each $x \in X$ and each net $\{x_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in D}$ which β -converges to x, the net $\{f(x_{\lambda})\}_{\lambda \in D}$ is eventually in each β -open set containing f(x) and having Lindeloff complement.



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Proof follows by Theorem 2.12 above.

VI. CONCLUSION

We have defined various allied 1-irresolute functions and c-irresolute functions at the of, **respective**, **Sections** above , one can establish their some more properties analogous to that of allied 1 -continuous functions and c-continuous functions.

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