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ON $R^\#$ -CONTINUOUS AND $R^\#$ -IRRESOLUTE MAPS IN TOPOLOGICAL SPACES.

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Abstract

In this paper, a new class of continuous functions called $R^\#$ -continuous maps in topological spaces are introduced and studied. Also some of their properties have been investigated. We also introduce $R^\#$ -irresolute maps, strongly $R^\#$ -continuous maps, perfectly $R^\#$ -continuous maps and discussed some of their properties

Keywords:-

$R^\#$ -closed sets, $R^\#$ -open sets, $R^\#$ -continuous maps, $R^\#$ -irresolute maps, strongly $R^\#$ -continuous maps and perfectly $R^\#$ -continuous maps.

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Introduction:-

In general topology continuous functions play a very vital role. The regular continuous and completely continuous functions are introduced and studied by Arya S P [2]. Later, R S walli et al [33] introduced and investigated α rw-continuous functions in topological space. Recently, Basavaraj M Ittanagi et al [5] introduced and studied the basic properties of $R^\#$ -closed sets in topological space. The aim of this paper is to introduce $R^\#$ -continuous and irresolute maps in topological space..

Preliminaries:-

In this paper X or (X, τ) and Y or (Y, σ) denote topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed. For a subset A of a topological space X , $cl(A)$, $int(A)$, $X-A$ or A^c represent closure of A , interior of A and complement of A in X respectively.

Definition 2.1: A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is called a

- i. Regular open set [26] if $A = int(cl(A))$ and regular closed if $A = cl(int(A))$
- ii. Regular semi open set [9] if there exists a regular open set U such that $U \subseteq A \subseteq cl(U)$
- iii. Generalized closed set (g-closed) [18] if $cl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in (X, τ) .
- iv. $R^\#$ -closed set [5] if $gcl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is R^* open in (X, τ) .

The complement of the closed sets mentioned above are their open sets respectively and vice versa.

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Definition 2.2: A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called a

- i. Continuous if $f^{-1}(V)$ is closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- ii. Regular continuous [2] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is r -closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- iii. Completely continuous [2] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is regular closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- iv. α -continuous [14] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is α -closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- v. Semi continuous [15] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is semi closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- vi. Semi pre continuous [1] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is semi pre closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- vii. Strongly Continuous [24] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is clopen in X for every subset V of Y .
- viii. g -continuous [4] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is g closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- ix. w -continuous [28] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is w closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- x. gr -continuous [22] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is gr closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- xi. g^* -continuous [30] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is g^* closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- xii. swg^* -continuous [19] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is swg^* closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- xiii. βwg^* -continuous [11] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is βwg^* closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- xiv. $r^\wedge g$ -continuous [21] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is $r^\wedge g$ closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- xv. rwg -continuous [20] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is rwg closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- xvi. βwg^{**} -continuous [25] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is βwg^{**} closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- xvii. $g \alpha$ -continuous [10] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is $g \alpha$ closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- xviii. swg -continuous [20] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is swg closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- xix. αg -continuous [17] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is αg closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- xx. gp -continuous [18] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is gp closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- xxi. wg -continuous [20] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is wg closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- xxii. g^*p -continuous [29] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is g^*p closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- xxiii. $w \alpha$ -continuous [7] if $ff^{-1}(V)$ is $w \alpha$ closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- xxiv. αrw -continuous [31] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is αrw closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- xxv. ρ -continuous [9] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is ρ closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- xxvi. sg -continuous [26] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is sg -closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- xxvii. gs -continuous [3] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is gs closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- xxviii. rps -continuous [23] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is rps closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .
- xxix. gsp -continuous [12] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is gsp closed in X for every closed subset V of Y .

Definition 2.3:

A map $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called a

- i. Irresolute if $f^{-1}(V)$ is semi closed in X for every semi closed subset V of Y .
- ii. w -Irresolute [28] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is w -closed in X for every w -closed subset V of Y .
- iii. gc -Irresolute [27] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is g -closed in X for every g -closed subset V of Y .
- iv. Contra w Irresolute [28] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is w open in X for every w -closed subset V of Y .
- v. Contra Irresolute [14] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is semi open in X for every semi closed subset V of Y .
- vi. Contra r -irresolute [2] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is regular open in X for every regular closed subset V of Y .
- vii. Contra continuous [13] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X for every closed subset V of Y .

Results 2.4[5]:

- i. Every closed (respectively regular closed, g -closed, w -closed, \hat{g} -closed set) set is $R^\#$ -closed set in X .
- ii. Every $R^\#$ -closed set in X is rg (respectively gpr -closed, rwg -closed, $gspr$ -closed, $r^\wedge g$ -closed, $rg\beta$ -closed) set in X .

Results 2.5[5]:

Let A be a subset of a topological space (X, τ)

- i. If A is regular open and rg -closed set in (X, τ) then A is $R^\#$ -closed set in (X, τ) .
- ii. If A is g -open and rg -closed set in (X, τ) then A is $R^\#$ -closed set in (X, τ) .
- iii. If A is a regular-open and rwg -closed set in (X, τ) then A is $R^\#$ -closed in (X, τ) .
- iv. If A is a regular-open and gpr -closed set in (X, τ) then A is $R^\#$ -closed in (X, τ) .
- v. If A is regular open and $r^\wedge g$ -closed set in (X, τ) then A is $R^\#$ -closed set in (X, τ) .
- vi. If A is regular open and βwg^{**} -closed set in (X, τ) then A is $R^\#$ -closed set in (X, τ) .

$R^\#$ -Continuous Functions:-

Definition 3.1:

A function f from a topological space X into a topological space Y is called a $R^\#$ -continuous if inverse image of every closed set in Y is a $R^\#$ -closed set in X .

Example 3.2: Let $X=Y=\{a,b,c\}$. Let $\tau=\{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$ be a topology on X and $\sigma=\{\emptyset, Y, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ be a topology on Y . $R^\#-C(X)=\{X, \emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$ and closed set of Y are $\sigma=\{Y, \emptyset, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ defined by $f(a)=a, f(b)=c, f(c)=c$ is $R^\#$ -continuous.

Theorem 3.3: Every continuous function is $R^\#$ -continuous but not conversely.

Proof: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be continuous and F be any closed set in Y . Then $f^{-1}(F)$ is closed set in X . Since every closed set in X is $R^\#$ -closed then $f^{-1}(F)$ is $R^\#$ -closed set in X . Therefore f is $R^\#$ -continuous.

Example 3.4: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$. Let $\tau=\{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$ be a topology on X and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, Y, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ be a topology on Y , closed set of X are $\tau=\{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$, closed set of Y are $\sigma=\{Y, \emptyset, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$, $R^\#-C(X)=\{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ defined by identity function, then is $R^\#$ -continuous but not continuous function, as the closed set $\{c\}$ in Y , then $f^{-1}(\{c\}) = c$ is not a closed set in X .

Theorem 3.5:

- Every g -continuous is $R^\#$ -continuous but not conversely.
- Every w -continuous is $R^\#$ -continuous but not conversely.
- Every \hat{g} -continuous is $R^\#$ -continuous but not conversely.
- Every r -continuous is $R^\#$ -continuous but not conversely.

Proof: The proof follows from the fact that every g -closed (resp. w -closed, \hat{g} -closed and r -closed) set is $R^\#$ -closed set.

Similarly we can prove ii, iii, iv

Example 3.6: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$, let $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$ be a topology on X and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, Y, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$ be a topology on Y . Closed sets of $X=\{X, \emptyset, \{d\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}\}$, closed sets of $Y=\{Y, \emptyset, \{d\}, \{c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}\}$, $R^\#-C(X)=\{X, \emptyset, \{d\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, d\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}\}$, $g-C(X)=\{X, \emptyset, \{d\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, d\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, \{a, b, d\}\}$. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ defined by $f(a)=d, f(b)=d, f(c)=d, f(d)=b$ is $R^\#$ -continuous function, as the closed set $\{d\}$ in Y , then $f^{-1}(\{d\}) = \{a, b, c\}$ is not g -closed set in X .

Theorem 3.7: Every $R^\#$ -continuous function is rg -continuous but not conversely.

Proof: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be $R^\#$ -continuous and F be a closed set in Y , by definition $f^{-1}(F)$ is $R^\#$ closed set in X . Since every $R^\#$ -closed set is rg -closed, then $f^{-1}(F)$ is rg closed in X . hence f is rg -continuous.

Theorem 3.8:

- Every $R^\#$ -continuous function is $\hat{r}\hat{g}$ continuous but not conversely
- Every $R^\#$ -continuous function is $gspr$ continuous but not conversely
- Every $R^\#$ -continuous function is gpr continuous but not conversely
- Every $R^\#$ -continuous function is $rg\beta$ continuous but not conversely
- Every $R^\#$ -continuous function is rwg continuous but not conversely
- Every $R^\#$ -continuous function is $wgra$ continuous but not conversely.

Proof: The proof follows from the fact that every $R^\#$ -closed set is $\hat{r}\hat{g}$ -closed (resp. $gspr$ -closed, gpr -closed, $rg\beta$ -closed, rwg -closed, $wgra$ -closed) set in X .

Similarly we can prove (ii), (iii), (iv), (v) and (vi).

Example 3.9: Let $X=Y=\{a, b, c\}$. Let $\tau=\{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ be a topology on X and $\sigma=\{\emptyset, Y, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$ be a topology on Y . Closed sets of $X=\{X, \emptyset, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$, $Y=\{Y, \emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$, $R^\#-C(X)=\{X, \emptyset, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ defined by $f(a)=a, f(b)=a, f(c)=b$ is rg continuous, $r^{\wedge}g$ -continuous, $gspr$ -continuous, gpr -continuous, $rg\beta$ -continuous, rwg -continuous, $wgra$ -continuous but not $R^\#$ -continuous function, as the closed set $F=\{a, c\}$ in Y then $f^{-1}(F) = \{a, b\}$ is not $R^\#$ closed set in X .

Remark 3.10: The following example shows that $R^\#$ -continuous is independent with some existing continuous functions in topological spaces

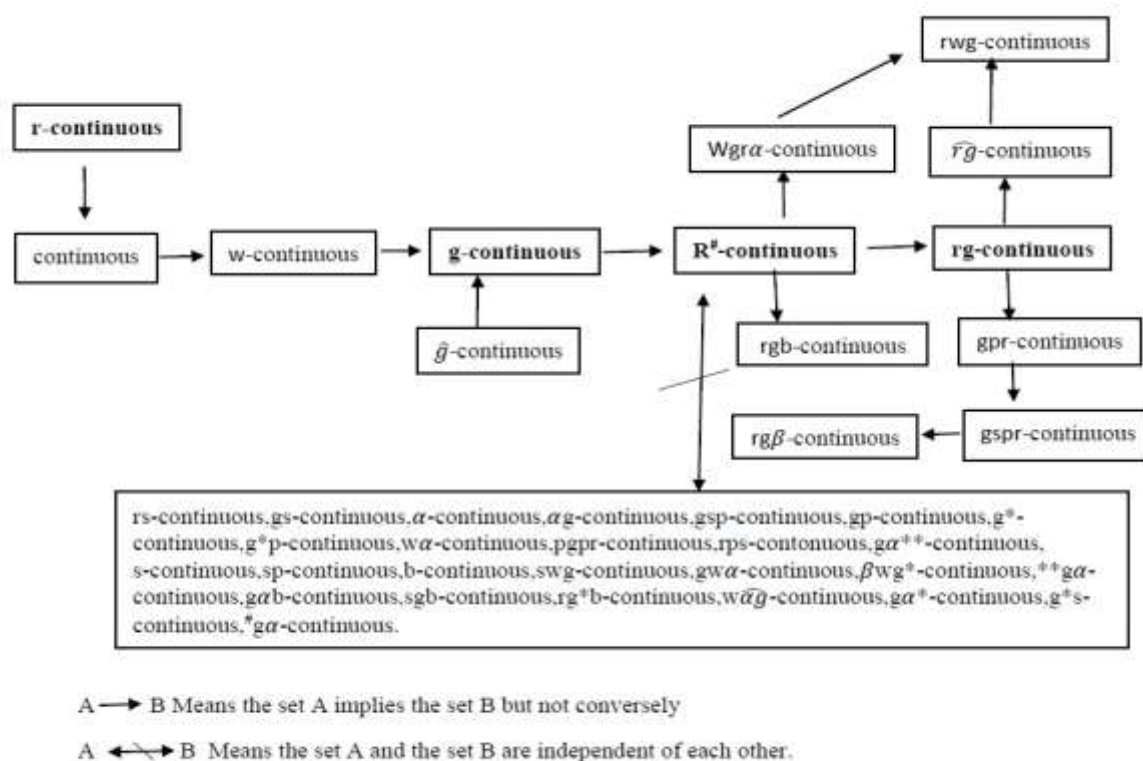
Example 3.11: Let $X=Y=\{a, b, c, d\}$, let $\tau=\{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$ be a topology on X and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, Y, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$ be a topology on Y . Closed sets of $X=\{X, \emptyset, \{d\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}\}$ and closed sets of $Y=\{Y, \emptyset, \{d\}, \{c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}\}$, $R^\#-C(X)=\{X, \emptyset, \{d\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, d\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}\}$. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ defined by $f(a)=d, f(b)=d, f(c)=d, f(d)=b$ is $R^\#$ -continuous function but not a rs -continuous, gs -continuous, αg -continuous, gsp -continuous, gp -continuous, g^* -continuous, g^*p -continuous, $w\alpha$ -continuous, $pgpr$ -continuous, rps -continuous and $g\alpha^{**}$ -continuous in X , as $f^{-1}(d) = \{a, b, c\}$ is not a rs -closed set,

gs-closed set, αg -closed set, gsp-closed set, gp-closed set, g^* -closed set, g^*p -closed set, $w\alpha$ -closed set, pgpr-closed set, rps-closed set and $g\alpha^{**}$ -closed set in X .

Example 3.12: Let $X=Y=\{a, b, c, d\}$, let $\tau=\{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a,b\}, \{a,b,c\}\}$ be a topology on X and $\sigma=\{\emptyset, Y, \{a\}, \{a,b\}, \{a,b,c\}\}$ be a topology on Y . Closed sets of $X=\{X, \emptyset, \{d\}, \{c,d\}, \{a,c,d\}, \{b,c,d\}\}$ and closed sets of $Y=\{Y, \emptyset, \{d\}, \{c,d\}, \{b,c,d\}\}$, $R^\#-C(X)=\{X, \emptyset, \{d\}, \{a,d\}, \{b,d\}, \{c,d\}, \{a,b,d\}, \{a,c,d\}, \{b,c,d\}\}$.

Let $f:X \rightarrow Y$ defined by $f(a)=d, f(b)=d, f(c)=b, f(d)=d$ is pre continuous. Semi continuous, sp continuous, b-continuous, swg-continuous, $gw\alpha$ -continuous, sgb-continuous, rg^*b -continuous, $w\alpha g$ -continuous, $g\alpha^*$ -continuous, g^*s -continuous and $\#g\alpha$ -continuous, but not $R^\#$ -continuous in X as $f^{-1}(a, b) = \{c\}$ is pre closed set, Semi pre closed set, sp pre closed set, b pre closed set, swg- pre closed set, $gw\alpha$ - pre closed set, sgb- pre closed set, rg^*b - pre closed set, $w\alpha g$ - pre closed set, $g\alpha^*$ - pre closed set, g^*s - pre closed set and $\#g\alpha$ - closed set in X but not $R^\#$ -closed set in X .

Remark 3.13: From the above discussions and known facts, the relation between $R^\#$ -continuous and some existing continuous functions in topological space is shown in the following figure.



Theorem 3.14: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a map. Then the following statements are equivalent

- f is $R^\#$ -continuous
- The inverse image of each open set in Y is $R^\#$ -open in X .

Proof:

- Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a $R^\#$ -continuous, let U be an open set in Y . Then U^c is closed in Y . Since f is $R^\#$ -continuous, $f^{-1}(U^c)$ is $R^\#$ -closed in X . But $f^{-1}(U^c) = X - f^{-1}(U)$. Thus $f^{-1}(U)$ is $R^\#$ -open set in X .
- Suppose that inverse image of each open set in Y is $R^\#$ -open in X . Let V be any closed set in Y . By assumption $f^{-1}(V^c)$ is $R^\#$ -open set in X . But $f^{-1}(V^c) = X - f^{-1}(V)$. Thus $[X - f^{-1}(V)]$ is $R^\#$ -closed in X . Thus f is $R^\#$ -continuous. Hence the proof.

Theorem 3.15: If $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is a map then the following holds

- f is contra r -irresolute and rg -continuous map then f is $R^\#$ -continuous.

- ii. f is contra r -irresolute and rwg -continuous map then f is $R^\#$ -continuous.
- iii. f is contra r -irresolute and gpr -continuous map then f is $R^\#$ -continuous.
- iv. f is contra r -irresolute and $r^\wedge g$ -continuous map then f is $R^\#$ -continuous.

Proof:

- i. Let V be any regular closed set of Y . Since every regular closed set is closed, V is closed set in Y . Since f is rg -continuous and contra r -irresolute map, $f^{-1}(V)$ is rg -closed and regular open in X , by results 2.5(i), $f^{-1}(V)$ is $R^\#$ -closed in X . Thus f is $R^\#$ -continuous.
- ii. Let V be any regular closed set of Y . Since every regular closed set is closed, V is closed set in Y . Since f is rg -continuous and contra r -irresolute map, $f^{-1}(V)$ is rwg -closed and regular open in X . Now by results 2.5 [5] $f^{-1}(V)$ is $R^\#$ -closed in X . Thus f is $R^\#$ -continuous.

Similarly we can prove iii,iv

Theorem 3.16: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is $R^\#$ -continuous then $f(R^\#cl(A)) \subseteq cl(f(A))$ for every subset A of X .

Proof: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be $R^\#$ -continuous. Let A be a subset of X . Then $cl(f(A))$ is closed in Y , this implies $f^{-1}[cl(f(A))]$ is $R^\#$ -closed in X . Also $f(A) \subseteq cl(f(A))$ and $A \subseteq f^{-1}[cl(f(A))]$. Hence $R^\#cl(A) \subseteq f^{-1}[cl(f(A))]$. Therefore $f(R^\#cl(A)) \subseteq cl(f(A))$.

Theorem 3.17: Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a map. Then the following statements are equivalent

- i. For each point $x \in X$ and each open set V in Y with $f(x) \in V$, there is a $R^\#$ -open set U in X such that $x \in U$ and $f(U) \subseteq V$.
- ii. For each subset A of X , $f(R^\#cl(A)) \subseteq cl(f(A))$
- iii. For each subset B of Y , $R^\#cl(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(B))$

Proof:

(i) \rightarrow (ii) : Suppose (i) holds and let $y \in f(R^\#cl(A))$ and V be an open set containing Y . From (i), there exists $x \in R^\#cl(A)$ such that $f(x)=y$ and $R^\#$ -open set U containing x such that $f(U) \subseteq V$ and $x \in R^\#cl(A)$. Then we know that for a subset A of a topological space X . Then $x \in R^\#cl(A)$ if and only if $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$ for every $R^\#$ -open set U containing x . That is $\emptyset \neq f(U \cap A) \subseteq f(U) \cap f(A) \subseteq V \cap f(A)$. Therefore $f(R^\#cl(A)) \subseteq cl(f(A))$.

(ii) \rightarrow (i) : Suppose (ii) holds and V be an open set in Y containing $f(x)$. Let $A \in f^{-1}(V^c)$. This implies that $x \notin A$. Since $f(R^\#cl(A)) \subseteq cl(f(A)) \subseteq V^c$. This implies that $R^\#cl(A) \subseteq f^{-1}(V^c) = A$. Since $x \notin A$ implies that $x \notin R^\#cl(A)$ and we know that for a subset A of a topological space X . Then $x \in R^\#cl(A)$ if and only if $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$ for every $R^\#$ -open set U containing x , there exists a $R^\#$ -open set U containing x such that $U \cap A = \emptyset$ then $U \subseteq A^c$ and hence $f(U) \subseteq f(A^c) \subseteq V$.

(ii) \rightarrow (iii): Suppose (ii) holds. Let B be any subset of Y . Replacing A by $f^{-1}(B)$ in (ii) we get $f(R^\#cl(f^{-1}(B))) \subseteq cl(f(f^{-1}(B))) \subseteq cl(B)$. Hence $R^\#cl(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(B))$.

(iii) \rightarrow (ii): Suppose (iii) holds. Let $B=f(A)$ where A is a subset of X . Then from (iii) we get $R^\#cl(f^{-1}(f(A))) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(f(A)))$. That is $R^\#cl(A) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(f(A)))$. Therefore $R^\#cl(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(B))$.

Definition 3.18: Let (X, τ) be a topological space and $\tau_{R^\#} = \{V \subseteq X / R^\#cl(V^c) = V^c\}$ is a topology on X .

Definition 3.19: A topological space (X, τ) is called a $T_{R^\#}$ space if every $R^\#$ -closed is closed.

Definition 3.20: A topological space (X, τ) is called a ${}^\#T_g$ space if every $R^\#$ -closed is g -closed in X .

Remark 3.21: The composition of two $R^\#$ -continuous maps need not be continuous.

Example 3.22: Let $X=Y=Z=\{a, b, c, d\}$. Let $\tau=\{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$ be a topology on X . $\sigma=\{\emptyset, Y, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$ be a topology on Y and $\eta=\{\emptyset, Z, \{a, b\}, \{c, d\}\}$ be a topology on Z . Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ and $g: (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ are identity functions, then f and g are $R^\#$ -continuous but $gof: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is not a $R^\#$ -continuous map as the closed set $F=\{a, b\}$ in Z , $(gof)^{-1}(F)=\{a, b\}$ is not $R^\#$ -closed set in X .

Theorem 3.23: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is $R^\#$ -continuous and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ is continuous then $gof: X \rightarrow Z$ is $R^\#$ -continuous.

Proof: Let V be any open set in Z . Since g is continuous, $g^{-1}(V)$ is open in Y . Since f is $R^\#$ -continuous, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) = (gof)^{-1}(V)$ is $R^\#$ -open in X . Hence gof is $R^\#$ -continuous.

Theorem 3.24: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ be $R^\#$ -continuous functions and Y be $T_{R^\#}$ space then $gof: X \rightarrow Z$ is $R^\#$ -continuous.

Proof: Let V be any open set in Z . Since g is $R^\#$ -continuous, $g^{-1}(V)$ is $R^\#$ -open in Y and Y is $T_{R^\#}$ space, then $g^{-1}(V)$ is open in Y . Since f is $R^\#$ -continuous $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) = (gof)^{-1}(V)$ is $R^\#$ -open in X . Hence gof is $R^\#$ -continuous.

Definition 3.25: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is called a perfectly $R^\#$ -continuous if $f^{-1}(V)$ is clopen (open and closed) set in X for every $R^\#$ -open set V in Y .

Theorem 3.26: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous then the following holds.

- i. If f is perfectly $R^\#$ -continuous then it is $R^\#$ -continuous

- ii. If f is perfectly $R^\#$ -continuous then it is rg -continuous (resp. $r^\wedge g$ -continuous, gpr -continuous, $gspr$ -continuous, $rg\beta$ -continuous, rwg -continuous, $wgr\alpha$ -continuous)

Proof:

- i. Let U be open set in Y . Since f is perfectly continuous then $f^{-1}(U)$ is both open and closed in X . Since every open is $R^\#$ -open, $f^{-1}(U)$ is $R^\#$ -open in X . Hence f is $R^\#$ -continuous.
- ii. Let U be open set in Y . Since f is perfectly continuous then $f^{-1}(U)$ is both open and closed in X . Since every open is rg -open (resp. $r^\wedge g$ -open, gpr -open, $gspr$ -open, $rg\beta$ -open, rwg -open, $wgr\alpha$ -open) set in X . Hence f is rg -continuous (resp. $r^\wedge g$ -continuous, gpr -continuous, $gspr$ -continuous, $rg\beta$ -continuous, rwg -continuous, $wgr\alpha$ -continuous).

Definition 3.27: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is called $R^\#$ -continuous if $f^{-1}(V)$ is $R^\#$ -closed set in X for every g -closed set V in Y .

Theorem 3.28: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is $R^\#$ -continuous then it is $R^\#$ -continuous but converse is not true.

Proof: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be $R^\#$ -continuous. Let F be any closed set in Y . Since f is $R^\#$ -continuous, $f^{-1}(F)$ is $R^\#$ -closed set in X . Since every closed set is g -closed set in Y , then the inverse image $f^{-1}(F)$ is $R^\#$ -closed set in X . Hence f is $R^\#$ -continuous.

Example 3.29: Let $X=Y=\{a, b, c\}$, let $\tau=\{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ be a topology on X and $\sigma=\{\emptyset, Y, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$ be a topology on Y . $R^\#-C(X)=\{X, \emptyset, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$, $R^\#-C(Y)=\{Y, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$. Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function defined by $f(a)=a$, $f(b)=b$, $f(c)=c$ is $R^\#$ -continuous but not a $R^\#$ -continuous function as the g -closed set $F=\{a\}$ in Y , $f^{-1}(F)=\{a\}$ is not a $R^\#$ -closed set in X .

$R^\#$ -irresolute and strongly $R^\#$ -continuous functions

Definition 3.30: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is called a $R^\#$ -irresolute map if $f^{-1}(V)$ is $R^\#$ -closed set in X for every $R^\#$ -closed set V in Y .

Definition 3.31: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is called a strongly $R^\#$ -continuous map if $f^{-1}(V)$ is closed set in X for every $R^\#$ -closed set V in Y .

Theorem 3.32: If $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is $R^\#$ -irresolute then it is $R^\#$ -continuous but not conversely.

Proof: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be $R^\#$ -irresolute. Let F be any closed set in Y and hence $R^\#$ -closed in Y . Since f is $R^\#$ -irresolute, $f^{-1}(V)$ is $R^\#$ -closed set in X . Therefore f is $R^\#$ -continuous.

Example 3.33: Let $X=Y=\{a, b, c\}$. Let $\tau=\{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ be a topology on X and $\sigma=\{\emptyset, Y, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$ be a topology on Y . $R^\#-C(X)=\{X, \emptyset, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$, $R^\#-C(Y)=\{Y, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$. Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function defined by $f(a)=a$, $f(b)=b$, $f(c)=c$ is $R^\#$ -continuous but not a $R^\#$ -irresolute map as the $R^\#$ -closed set $F=\{a\}$ in Y , $f^{-1}(F)=\{a\}$ is not a $R^\#$ -closed set in X .

Theorem 3.34: If $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is $R^\#$ -irresolute if and only if $f^{-1}(V)$ is $R^\#$ -open set in X for every open set V in Y .

Proof: Suppose that $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is $R^\#$ -irresolute and U be $R^\#$ -open set in Y . Then U^c is $R^\#$ -closed in Y . By the definition of $R^\#$ -irresolute, $f^{-1}(U^c)$ is $R^\#$ -closed in X . But $f^{-1}(U^c)=X-f^{-1}(U)$. Thus $f(U)$ is $R^\#$ -open in X .

Conversely, suppose that $f^{-1}(F)$ is $R^\#$ -open set in X for every $R^\#$ -open set F in Y . Let F be any $R^\#$ -closed set in Y . By the definition, $f^{-1}(F^c)$ is $R^\#$ -open in X . But $f^{-1}(F^c)=X-f^{-1}(F)$. Thus $X-f^{-1}(F)$ is $R^\#$ -open in X and hence $f^{-1}(F)$ is $R^\#$ -closed in X . Therefore f is $R^\#$ -irresolute.

Theorem 3.35: If $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is $R^\#$ -irresolute then it is $R^\#$ -continuous but not conversely.

Proof: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be $R^\#$ -irresolute. Let F be any g -closed set in Y and hence f is $R^\#$ -closed in Y . By the definition of $R^\#$ -irresolute, $f^{-1}(F)$ is $R^\#$ -closed set in X . Therefore f is $R^\#$ -continuous.

Example 3.36: Let $X=Y=\{a, b, c\}$. Let $\tau=\{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ and $\sigma=\{\emptyset, Y, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$. $R^\#-C(X)=\{X, \emptyset, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$, $R^\#-C(Y)=\{Y, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$. Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function defined by $f(a)=a$, $f(b)=b$, $f(c)=c$ is $R^\#$ -continuous but not a $R^\#$ -irresolute map as the $R^\#$ -closed set $F=\{a\}$ in Y , $f^{-1}(F)=\{a\}$ is not a $R^\#$ -closed set in X .

Theorem 3.37: Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is $R^\#$ -irresolute then $f(R^\#cl(A)) \subseteq gcl(f(A))$ for every subset A of X .

Proof: Let $A \subseteq X$ and $gcl(f(A))$ is $R^\#$ -closed in Y . Since f is $R^\#$ -irresolute, $f^{-1}(R^\#cl(A))$ is $R^\#$ -closed in X . Further $A \subseteq f^{-1}(f(A)) \subseteq f^{-1}(gcl(f(A)))$. By the definition of $R^\#$ -closure, $R^\#cl(A) \subseteq f^{-1}(gcl(f(A)))$. Hence $f(R^\#cl(A)) \subseteq gcl(f(A))$.

Theorem 3.38: Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ and $g: (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ be any two functions. Then

- i. $\text{gof}: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is $R^\#$ -irresolute if g is $R^\#$ -irresolute and f is $R^\#$ -irresolute
- ii. $\text{gof}: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is $R^\#$ -continuous if g is $R^\#$ -continuous and f is $R^\#$ -irresolute.

Proof: (i) Let F be any $R^\#$ -closed set in (Z, η) . Since g is $R^\#$ -irresolute then $g^{-1}(F)$ is $R^\#$ -closed set in (Y, σ) . Since f is $R^\#$ -irresolute $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F))$ is $R^\#$ -closed set in (X, τ) . But $(\text{gof})^{-1}(F) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F))$ and hence gof is $R^\#$ -irresolute.

(ii) Let F be any $R^\#$ -closed set in (Z, η) . Since g is $R^\#$ -continuous then $g^{-1}(F)$ is $R^\#$ -closed set in (Y, σ) . Since f is $R^\#$ -irresolute $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F))$ is $R^\#$ -closed set in (X, τ) . But $(\text{gof})^{-1}(F) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F))$ and hence gof is $R^\#$ -continuous.

Theorem 3.39: If $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous then f is continuous but converse is not true.

Proof: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be strongly $R^\#$ -continuous. Let F be any closed set in Y . Since every closed set is $R^\#$ -closed and hence F is $R^\#$ -closed set in Y . Since f is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous then $f^{-1}(F)$ is closed set in X . Therefore f is continuous.

Example 3.40: Let $X=Y=\{a, b, c\}$. Let $\tau=\{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ be the topology on X , and $\sigma=\{\emptyset, Y, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$ be the topology on Y . Closed sets of $X=\{X, \emptyset, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$, $R^\#-C(Y)=\{Y, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$. Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function defined by $f(a)=a, f(b)=b, f(c)=c$ is continuous but not strongly $R^\#$ -continuous as the $R^\#$ -closed set $F=\{a\}$ in Y , $f^{-1}(F)=\{a\}$ is not a closed set in X .

Theorem 3.41: Every strongly $R^\#$ -continuous is strongly g -continuous but not conversely.

Proof: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be strongly $R^\#$ -continuous. Let F be any g -closed set in Y . Since every g -closed set is $R^\#$ -closed and hence F is $R^\#$ -closed set in Y . Since f is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous then $f^{-1}(F)$ is closed set in X and hence g -closed set in X . Therefore f is g -continuous.

Example 3.42: In example 3.40, f is strongly g -continuous but not a strongly $R^\#$ -continuous as the $R^\#$ -closed set $F=\{a\}$ in Y , $f^{-1}(F)=\{a\}$ is not a closed set in X .

Theorem 3.43: If a mapping $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous if and only if $f^{-1}(U)$ is open set in X for every $R^\#$ -open set U in Y .

Proof: Suppose that $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous. Let U be any $R^\#$ -open set in Y and hence U^c is $R^\#$ -closed set in Y . Since f is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous, $f^{-1}(U)$ is closed set in X . But $f^{-1}(U^c) = X - f^{-1}(U)$. Thus $f^{-1}(U)$ is open in X .

Conversely, suppose that $f^{-1}(U)$ is open set in X for every $R^\#$ -open set U in Y . Let F be any $R^\#$ -closed set in Y and hence F^c is $R^\#$ -open in Y . But $f^{-1}(F^c) = X - f^{-1}(F)$. Thus $X - f^{-1}(F)$ is open in X and so $f^{-1}(F)$ is closed in X . Therefore f is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous.

Theorem 3.44: Every strongly continuous is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous but not conversely.

Proof: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is strongly continuous. Let G be any $R^\#$ -open set in Y and also any subset of Y . Since f is strongly continuous then $f^{-1}(G)$ is both open and closed in X , say $f^{-1}(G)$ is open in X . Therefore f is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous.

Example 3.45: Let $X=Y=\{a, b, c\}$. Let $\tau=\{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$ and $\sigma=\{\emptyset, Y, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$. Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function defined by $f(a)=a, f(b)=b, f(c)=c$ is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous but not a strongly continuous as the set $F=\{c\}$ in Y , $f^{-1}(F)=\{c\}$ is not a clopen set in X .

Theorem 3.46: Every strongly $R^\#$ -continuous is $R^\#$ -continuous but not conversely.

Proof: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be strongly $R^\#$ -continuous. Let F be any closed set in Y and hence $R^\#$ -closed in Y . Since f is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous, then $f^{-1}(F)$ is closed set in X and hence $R^\#$ -closed set in X . Therefore f is $R^\#$ -continuous.

Example 3.47: In example 3.40, f is $R^\#$ -continuous but not strongly $R^\#$ -continuous as the $R^\#$ -closed set $F=\{a\}$ in Y , $f^{-1}(F)=\{a\}$ is not a closed set in X .

Theorem 3.48: In discrete topological space, every strongly $R^\#$ -continuous is strongly continuous.

Proof: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be strongly $R^\#$ -continuous in a discrete topological space. Let F be any subset of Y . Since F is both open and closed subset of Y in discrete space. We have the following two cases.

Case (i): Let F be any closed subset of Y and hence $R^\#$ -closed in Y . Since f is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous then $f^{-1}(F)$ is closed in X .

Case (ii): Let F be any open subset of Y and hence $R^\#$ -open in Y . Since f is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous then $f^{-1}(F)$ is open in X .

Therefore $f^{-1}(F)$ is both open and closed in X . Hence f is strongly continuous.

Theorem 3.49 Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ be any two functions. Then

- $\text{gof}: X \rightarrow Z$ is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous if both f and g are $R^\#$ -continuous.
- $\text{gof}: X \rightarrow Z$ is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous if g is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous and f is continuous.
- $\text{gof}: X \rightarrow Z$ is $R^\#$ -irresolute if g is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous and f is $R^\#$ -continuous.
- $\text{gof}: X \rightarrow Z$ is continuous if g is $R^\#$ -continuous and f is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous.

Proof:

- Let G be $R^\#$ -closed set in (Z, η) . Since g is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous then $g^{-1}(G)$ is closed set in (Y, σ) and hence $R^\#$ -closed set in (Y, σ) . Since f is also strongly $R^\#$ -continuous then $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(G))$ closed set in (X, τ) . But $(\text{gof})^{-1}(G) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(G))$ and hence gof is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous.
- Let G be $R^\#$ -closed set in (Z, η) . Since g is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous then $g^{-1}(G)$ is closed set in (Y, σ) . Since f is continuous then $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(G))$ closed set in (X, τ) . But $(\text{gof})^{-1}(G) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(G))$ and hence gof is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous.
- Let G be any $R^\#$ -closed set in (Z, η) . Since g is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous then $g^{-1}(G)$ is closed set in (Y, σ) . Since f is $R^\#$ -continuous then $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(G))$ is $R^\#$ -closed set in (X, τ) . But $(\text{gof})^{-1}(G) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(G))$. Hence gof is $R^\#$ -irresolute.
- Let G be any closed set in (Z, η) . Since g is $R^\#$ -continuous then $g^{-1}(G)$ is $R^\#$ -closed set in (Y, σ) . Since f is strongly $R^\#$ continuous then $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(G))$ closed set in (X, τ) . But $(\text{gof})^{-1}(G) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(G))$. Hence gof is continuous.

Theorem 3.50: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ be any two functions. Then

- $\text{gof}: X \rightarrow Z$ is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous if g is perfectly $R^\#$ -continuous and f is continuous.
- $\text{gof}: X \rightarrow Z$ is perfectly $R^\#$ -continuous if g is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous and f is perfectly $R^\#$ -continuous.

Proof:

- Let G be any $R^\#$ -open set in (Z, η) . Since g is perfectly $R^\#$ -continuous then $g^{-1}(G)$ is clopen set in (Y, σ) , say $g^{-1}(G)$ is open set in (Y, σ) . Since f is continuous then $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(G))$ open set in (X, τ) . Thus $(\text{gof})^{-1}(G) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(G))$. Hence gof is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous.
- Let G be a $R^\#$ -open set in (Z, η) . Since g is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous then $g^{-1}(G)$ is open set in (Y, σ) . Since f is perfectly $R^\#$ -continuous then $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(G))$ clopen set in (X, τ) . But $(\text{gof})^{-1}(G) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(G))$. Hence gof is perfectly $R^\#$ -continuous.

Theorem 3.51: Let (X, τ) be a discrete topological space and (Y, σ) be any topological space. Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function. Then the following statements are equivalent.

- f is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous
- f is perfectly $R^\#$ -continuous.

Proof:

(i) \rightarrow (ii): Let G be any open set in (Y, σ) . Since f is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous then $f^{-1}(G)$ is open set in (X, τ) . But in discrete space, $f^{-1}(G)$ is closed set in (X, τ) . Thus $f^{-1}(G)$ is both open and closed in (X, τ) . Hence f is perfectly $R^\#$ -continuous.

(ii) \rightarrow (i): Let U be any $R^\#$ -open set in (Y, σ) . Since f is perfectly continuous then $f^{-1}(U)$ is both open and closed set in (X, τ) . Hence f is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous.

Theorem 3.52: Let (X, τ) be any topological space and (Y, σ) be $T_R^\#$ space and $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a map. Then the following are equivalent.

- f is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous
- f is continuous

Proof:

(i) \rightarrow (ii): Let F be any closed set in (Y, σ) . Since every closed set is $R^\#$ -closed and hence F is $R^\#$ -closed in (Y, σ) . Since f is strongly $R^\#$ continuous then $f^{-1}(F)$ is closed set in (X, τ) . Hence f is continuous.

(i) \rightarrow (ii): Let G be any $R^\#$ -closed set in (Y, σ) . Since (Y, σ) is $T_R^\#$ space, F is closed set in (Y, σ) . Since f is continuous then $f^{-1}(F)$ is closed set in (X, τ) . Hence f is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous.

Theorem 3.53: Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a map. Both (X, τ) and (Y, σ) are $T_R^\#$ space. Then the following are equivalent.

- i. f is $R^\#$ -irresolute
- ii. f is strongly $R^\#$ -continuous
- iii. f is continuous
- iv. f is $R^\#$ -continuous

The proof is obvious.

Theorem 3.54: Let X and Y be $T_g^\#$ spaces. Then for the function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ the following are equivalent.

- i) f is gc-irresolute
- ii) f is $R^\#$ -irresolute

Proof:

(i) \rightarrow (ii): Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be gc-irresolute. Let F be a g -closed set in Y and hence $R^\#$ -closed in Y . Since f is gc-irresolute then $f^{-1}(F)$ is g -closed set in X and hence $R^\#$ -closed set in X . Therefore f is $R^\#$ -irresolute.

(i) \rightarrow (ii): Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be $R^\#$ -irresolute. Let F be a g -closed set in Y and hence $R^\#$ -closed in Y . Since f is $R^\#$ -irresolute then $f^{-1}(F)$ is $R^\#$ -closed set in X . But X is $T_g^\#$ space and hence $f^{-1}(F)$ is g -closed set in X . Therefore f is g -irresolute.

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