



## A note on $(I, J)$ -continuous functions

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**ABSTRACT:** The purpose of the present paper is to introduce, study and characterize the  $(I, J)$ -continuous functions. Also, we investigate their relationships with other types of continuous functions.

**Key Words:**  $I$ -open set,  $\theta_{(I, J)}$ -continuous function,  $(I, J)$ -continuous function

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### 1. Introduction

It is well known today that the notion of continuous function is playing a very important role in general topology. Generalizations of the notions of continuity have been extensively studied on functions  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ . Recently using the notion of topological ideal, different types of continuous functions have been introduced and studied. The notion of ideal topological spaces has been introduced and studied by Kuratowski [5] and the local function of a subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  was introduced by Vaidyanathaswamy [9] as follows: given a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  with an ideal  $I$  on  $X$  and  $P(X)$  the set of all subsets of  $X$ , a set operator  $(.)^* : P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ , defined as for each  $A \subseteq X$ ,  $A^*(\tau, I) = \{x \in X / U \cap A \notin I \text{ for every } U \in \tau_x\}$ , where  $\tau_x = \{U \in \tau : x \in U\}$  is called the local function of  $A$  with respect to  $\tau$  and  $I$ . The Kuratowski closure operator  $cl^*(.,.)$  for a topology  $\tau^*(\tau, I)$  called the  $*$ -topology, finer than  $\tau$  is defined by  $cl^*(A) = A \cup A^*(\tau, I)$ . We will denote  $A^*(\tau, I)$  by  $A^*$  and  $\tau^*(\tau, I)$  by  $\tau^*$ . Note that when  $I = \{\emptyset\}$ , (respectively  $I = P(X)$ )  $A^* = cl(A)$ , (respectively  $A^* = \emptyset$ ). In 1961, Levine [4] introduced and studied the weakly  $J$ -continuous. In 1990, Jankovic and Hamlett [3] introduced the notion of  $I$ -open set in a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  with an ideal  $I$  on  $X$ . In 2005, Yüksel et al. [10] introduced, studied and investigated the  $\theta_{(I, J)}$ -continuous functions. In 2012, Al-Omari and Noiri [1] investigated some properties of  $\theta_{(I, J)}$ -continuous functions in ideal topological spaces and its relations with another functions. In this article, we continue with the study of the  $(I, J)$ -continuous functions on ideal topological spaces. Additionally, the relationships with others related functions are discussed.

### 2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper,  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \sigma)$  (or simply  $X$  and  $Y$ ) are topological spaces without separation axioms are assumed, unless explicitly stated. If  $I$  is an ideal on  $X$ ,  $(X, \tau, I)$  means an ideal topological space. For a subset  $A$  of  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $Cl(A)$  and  $int(A)$  denote the closure of  $A$  with respect to  $\tau$  and the interior of  $A$  with respect to  $\tau$ , respectively, for any subset  $A$  of  $(X, \tau)$ . A subset  $A$  of  $(X, \tau, I)$  is an  $I$ -open [3], if  $A \subseteq int(A^*)$ . A subset  $A$  of  $(X, \tau, I)$  is called  $I$ -closed if its complement is an  $I$ -open set. In the case that  $I = \{\emptyset\}$ , (respectively,  $I = P(X)$ ) the  $I$ -open sets form the collection of all preopen sets of  $X$  (respectively, the only  $I$ -open set is  $\emptyset$ ). The notion of  $I$ -closure and the  $I$ -interior of a subset  $A$  of an ideal topological space, can be defined in the same form as  $Cl(A)$  and  $int(A)$ , respectively, will be denoted by  $I Cl(A)$  and  $I int(A)$ , respectively. The collection of all  $I$ -open (resp.  $I$ -closed) subsets of

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$(X, \tau, I)$  is denoted by  $IO(X)$  (resp.  $IC(X)$ ). We set  $IO(X, x) = \{A : A \in IO(X) \text{ and } x \in A\}$ . Given  $(X, \tau, I)$ , if the ideal is  $\tau$ -acotado, that is  $\tau \cap I = \emptyset$ , then  $X^* = X$ . Otherwise,  $X^* \subseteq X$ .

**Definition 2.1** A function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is said to be  $\theta$ -continuous [2] if for each  $x \in X$  and each open set  $V$  in  $Y$ , such that  $f(x) \in V$ , there exists an open set  $U$ , such that  $x \in U$  and  $f(cl(U)) \subseteq cl(V)$ .

**Definition 2.2** A function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is said to be precontinuous [6] (resp. preirresolute [8]) if  $f^{-1}(G)$  is preopen in  $X$  for every open (resp. preopen) set  $G$  of  $Y$ .

**Definition 2.3** A function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is said to be  $p$ -continuous [7] if  $f^{-1}(G)$  is open in  $X$  for every preopen set  $G$  of  $Y$ .

**Definition 2.4** A function  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$  is said to be weakly  $J$ -continuous [4] (resp.  $\theta_{(I, J)}$ -continuous [10]) if for each  $x \in X$  and each open set  $V$  in  $Y$ , such that  $f(x) \in V$ , there exists an open set  $U$ , such that  $x \in U$  and  $f(U) \subseteq cl^*(V)$  (resp.  $f(cl^*(U)) \subseteq cl^*(V)$ ).

The following was proved in [1].

**Theorem 2.1** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  and  $(Y, \sigma, J)$  be two ideal topological spaces and  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$  be a function. The following statements hold:

1. If  $f$  is continuous then  $f$  is weakly  $J$ -continuous;
2. If  $f$  is  $\theta_{(I, J)}$ -continuous then  $f$  is weakly  $J$ -continuous.

**Remark 2.1** None of the implications of Theorem 2.1 is reversible. Furthermore, the notions of continuous function and  $\theta_{(I, J)}$ -continuous function are independent.

### 3. $(I, J)$ -continuous functions

In this section, we define and characterize the  $(I, J)$ -continuous functions for any ideal topological spaces  $(X, \tau, I)$  and  $(Y, \sigma, J)$ .

**Definition 3.1** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  and  $(Y, \sigma, J)$  be two ideal topological spaces. A function  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$  is said to be  $(I, J)$ -continuous if for each  $x \in X$  and each  $J$ -open set  $V$  such that  $f(x) \in V$ , there exists an  $I$ -open set  $U$  such that  $x \in U$  and  $f(U) \subseteq V$ .

**Theorem 3.1** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  and  $(Y, \sigma, J)$  be two ideal topological spaces and  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ , be a function. The following statements are equivalent:

1.  $f$  is  $(I, J)$ -continuous;
2.  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $I$ -open in  $X$  for each  $J$ -open set  $V$  in  $Y$ ;
3.  $f^{-1}(K)$  is  $I$ -closed in  $X$  for each  $J$ -closed set  $K$  in  $Y$ ;
4.  $f(I\text{Cl}(A)) \subseteq J\text{Cl}(f(A))$  for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ ;
5.  $I\text{Cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(J\text{Cl}(B))$  for every subset  $B$  of  $Y$ .

**Proof:** (1)  $\implies$  (2). Let  $V$  be any  $J$ -open set in  $Y$  and  $x$  be any point in  $f^{-1}(V)$ . From (1), there exists an  $I$ -open  $U_x$  containing  $x$  such that  $U_x \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$ . It follows that  $f^{-1}(V) = \bigcup_{x \in f^{-1}(V)} U_x$ . Since the union of  $I$ -open sets is  $I$ -open,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $I$ -open in  $X$ .

(2)  $\implies$  (3) If  $K$  is a  $J$ -closed set in  $Y$ , then  $f^{-1}(Y \setminus K)$  is an  $I$ -open set in  $X$ . But  $f^{-1}(Y \setminus K) = X \setminus f^{-1}(K)$ , then  $f^{-1}(K)$  is  $J$ -closed in  $X$ .

(3)  $\implies$  (4) Let  $K$  be any  $J$ -closed set in  $Y$  containing  $f(A)$ . It follows that  $A \subseteq f^{-1}(K)$ . By (3),  $f^{-1}(K)$  is a  $I$ -closed set in  $X$  containing  $A$ . In consequence,  $I\text{Cl}(A) \subseteq f^{-1}(K)$ , and then  $f(I\text{Cl}(A)) \subseteq K$ . Since this is true for all  $J$ -closed set  $K$  in  $Y$  containing  $f(A)$ , it follows that  $f(I\text{Cl}(A)) \subseteq J\text{Cl}(f(A))$ .

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (5) Let  $B$  any subset of  $Y$ . Taking  $A = f^{-1}(B)$  and applying (4), we have  $f(I \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(B))) \subseteq J \text{Cl}(f(f^{-1}(B))) \subseteq J \text{Cl}(B)$ . Therefore,  $I \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(J \text{Cl}(B))$ .

(5)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Suppose that  $x \in X$  and  $V$  is a  $J$ -open set in  $Y$  containing  $f(x)$ . Then  $V \cap (Y - V) = \emptyset$  and  $f(x) \notin J \text{Cl}(Y - V)$ . Thus  $x \notin f^{-1}(J \text{Cl}(Y - V))$  and by (5), we have  $x \notin I \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(Y - V))$ , hence there exists an  $I$ -open set  $U$  in  $X$  such that  $x \in U$  and  $U \cap f^{-1}(Y - V) = \emptyset$ , which implies that  $f(U) \cap (Y - V) = \emptyset$ . Therefore,  $f(U) \subseteq V$  and so,  $f$  is  $(I, J)$ -continuous.  $\square$

The following two example shows that the notions of  $(I, J)$ -continuous function and continuous function, are independent.

**Example 3.1** Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$  with two topologies  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{b\}\}$ ,  $\sigma = \{\emptyset, Y, \{a\}\}$  and two ideals  $I = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ ,  $J = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\}$ . Define a function  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$  as follows:  $f(a) = b$ ,  $f(b) = a$  and  $f(c) = c$ . It is easy to see that the collection of all  $I$ -open sets is  $\{\emptyset\}$  and the collection of all  $J$ -open sets is  $\{\emptyset, Y, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$ . In consequence,  $f$  is continuous but is not  $(I, J)$ -continuous.

**Example 3.2** Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$  with two topologies  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a, c\}\}$ ,  $\sigma = \{\emptyset, Y, \{b\}\}$  and two ideals  $I = \{\emptyset\}$ ,  $J = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$ . Define a function  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$  as follows:  $f(a) = b$ ,  $f(b) = a$  and  $f(c) = c$ . It is easy to see that the collection of all  $I$ -open sets is  $\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$  and the collection of all  $J$ -open sets is  $\{\emptyset, Y, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}\}$ . In consequence,  $f$  is  $(I, J)$ -continuous but is not continuous.

The following two example shows that the notions of  $(I, J)$ -continuous function and  $\theta_{(I, J)}$ -continuous function, are independent.

**Example 3.3** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{b, c\}\}$  and  $I = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$ ,  $Y = \{b, c\}$ ,  $\sigma = \{\emptyset, Y, \{c\}\}$  with  $J = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\}$ . Define a function  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$  as follows:  $f(a) = c$ ,  $f(b) = b$  and  $f(c) = b$ . It is easy to see that the collection of all  $I$ -open sets is  $\{\emptyset, X, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$  and the collection of all  $J$ -open sets is  $\{\emptyset, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, Y\}$ . Observe that in  $(X, \tau, I)$ , we have  $Cl^*(X) = Cl^*(\{b\}) = Cl^*(\{c\}) = Cl^*(\{a, b\}) = Cl^*(\{a, c\}) = Cl^*(\{b, c\}) = X$ ,  $Cl^*(\emptyset) = \emptyset$  and  $Cl^*(\{a\}) = \{a\}$ . In the same form in  $(Y, \sigma, J)$ , we have  $Cl^*(Y) = Cl^*(\{c\}) = Cl^*(\{a, b\}) = Cl^*(\{a, c\}) = Cl^*(\{b, c\}) = Y$ ,  $Cl^*(\emptyset) = \emptyset$ ,  $Cl^*(\{a\}) = \{a, b\}$  and  $Cl^*(\{b\}) = \{b\}$ . Hence, we conclude that  $f$  is not  $(I, J)$ -continuous but is  $\theta_{(I, J)}$ -continuous and weakly  $J$ -continuous.

**Example 3.4** Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$  with two topologies  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{b\}\}$   $\sigma = \{\emptyset, Y, \{a\}\}$  and two ideals  $I = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$ ,  $J = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\}$ . Define a function  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$  as follows:  $f(x) = x$ , for each  $x \in X$ . It is easy to see that the collection of all  $I$ -open sets is  $\{\emptyset, X, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}\}$  and the collection of all  $J$ -open sets is  $\{\emptyset, Y\}$ . Observe that in  $(X, \tau, I)$ ,  $Cl^*(X) = Cl^*(\{b\}) = Cl^*(\{a, b\}) = Cl^*(\{b, c\}) = X$ ,  $Cl^*(\emptyset) = \emptyset$  and  $Cl^*(\{a\}) = \{a\}$ ,  $Cl^*(\{c\}) = \{a, c\} = Cl^*(\{a, c\})$ . In the same form in  $(Y, \sigma, J)$ ,  $Cl^*(Y) = Cl^*(\{a, b\}) = Cl^*(\{b, c\}) = Y$ ,  $Cl^*(\{b\}) = Cl^*(\{c\}) = Cl^*(\{b, c\}) = \{b, c\}$ ,  $Cl^*(\emptyset) = \emptyset$ , and  $Cl^*(\{a\}) = \{a\}$ . Hence, we conclude that  $f$  is  $(I, J)$ -continuous but is neither  $\theta_{(I, J)}$ -continuous nor weakly  $J$ -continuous.

#### 4. Relations between $(I, J)$ continuity with other type of functions

In this section, we consider a function  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ , where  $(X, \tau, I)$  and  $(Y, \sigma, J)$  are two ideal topological spaces. Our purpose is to find the relationships between continuity,  $\theta_{(I, J)}$ -continuity and  $(I, J)$ -continuity, when  $I = J = \{\emptyset\}$  or  $I = P(X)$  and  $J = P(Y)$ .

**Example 4.1** Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}\}$ ,  $\sigma = \{X, \emptyset\}$  and  $I = J = \{\emptyset\}$ . Define  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$  as the identity function. It is easy to see that  $f$  is continuous but is not  $(I, J)$ -continuous.

**Example 4.2** Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  $\tau = \sigma = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$  and  $I = J = \{\emptyset\}$ . Define  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$  as follows:  $f(a) = a$ ,  $f(b) = d$ ,  $f(c) = c$  and  $f(d) = b$ . It is easy to see that the collection of all preopen sets is  $\{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}\}$ . Therefore,  $f$  is  $(I, J)$ -continuous but is neither continuous nor  $\theta_{(I, J)}$ -continuous.

**Remark 4.1** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  and  $(Y, \sigma, J)$  be two ideal topological spaces and  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$  a function. If  $I = J = \{\emptyset\}$ , then:

1.  $f$  is  $\theta_{(I, J)}$ -continuous if and only if it is  $\theta$ -continuous.
2.  $f$  is  $(I, J)$ -continuous if and only if it is preirresolute.
3. From Examples 4.1 and 4.2, we see that if  $I = J = \{\emptyset\}$ , then the notions of continuous function and  $(I, J)$ -continuous function are independent.

**Remark 4.2** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  and  $(Y, \sigma, J)$  be two ideal topological spaces and  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$  a function.

1. If  $I = P(X)$  and  $J = P(Y)$ , then  $f$  is  $\theta_{(I, J)}$ -continuous if and only if it is continuous.
2. If  $J = P(Y)$ , then  $f$  is  $(I, J)$ -continuous.

**Theorem 4.1** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  and  $(Y, \sigma, J)$  be two ideal topological spaces and  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$  a function.

1. If  $I = \{\emptyset\}$  and  $f$  is preirresolute, then  $f$  is  $(I, J)$ -continuous.
2. If  $J = \{\emptyset\}$  and  $f$  is  $(I, J)$ -continuous, then  $f$  is preirresolute.

**Proof:** (1) Since  $JO(Y) \subseteq PO(Y)$ , the proof follows from the fact that  $IO(X) = PO(X)$  when  $I = \{\emptyset\}$ .  
 (2) Since  $IO(X) \subseteq PO(X)$ , the proof follows from the fact that  $JO(X) = PO(Y)$  when  $J = \{\emptyset\}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.2** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  and  $(Y, \sigma, J)$  be two ideal topological spaces and  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$  a function.

1. If  $I = \{\emptyset\}$ ,  $J$  is  $\sigma$ -bounded and  $f$  is  $(I, J)$ -continuous, then  $f$  is precontinuous.
2. If  $I$  is  $\tau$ -bounded,  $J = \{\emptyset\}$  and  $f$  is  $p$ -continuous, then  $f$  is  $(I, J)$ -continuous.

**Proof:** (1) Follows from the fact that if  $J$  is  $\sigma$ -bounded, then  $\sigma \subseteq JO(Y)$ .

(2) Follows from the fact that if  $I$  is  $\tau$ -bounded, then  $\tau \subseteq IO(Y)$ .  $\square$

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