

## ON GENERALIZED $\omega\beta$ -CLOSED SETS

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ABSTRACT. The aim of this paper is to introduce and study the class of  $g\omega\beta$ -closed sets. This class of sets is finer than  $g$ -closed sets and  $\omega\beta$ -closed sets. We study the fundamental properties of this class of sets. Further, we introduce and study  $g\omega\beta$ -open sets,  $g\omega\beta$ -neighborhoodsets,  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous functions,  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute functions and  $g\omega\beta$ -closed functions.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Through this work, a space will always mean a topological space on which no separation axiom is assumed unless explicitly stated. Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a space and let  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ . For  $A \subseteq X$ , the closure and the interior of  $A$  in  $X$  are denoted by  $Cl(A)$  and  $Int(A)$ , respectively. It is well-known that a subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\beta$ -open [1] if  $A \subseteq Cl(Int(Cl(A)))$ . The complement of  $\beta$ -open set is called  $\beta$ -closed.  $W$  is called  $\omega\beta$ -open [3] (resp.  $\omega$ -open [5]) if for each  $x \in W$ , there exists a  $\beta$ -open set  $U$  (resp.  $U \in \tau$ ) such that  $x \in U$  and  $U - W$  is countable. The complement of an  $\omega\beta$ -open (resp.  $\omega$ -open) set is called  $\omega\beta$ -closed ( $\omega$ -closed). The intersection of all  $\omega\beta$ -closed sets of  $X$  containing  $A$  is called the  $\omega\beta$ -closure of  $A$  and denoted by  $\omega\beta Cl(A)$ . And the union of all  $\omega\beta$ -open sets of  $X$  contained in  $A$  is called  $\omega\beta$ -interior of  $A$  and is denoted by  $\omega\beta Int(A)$ .

In 1970, Levine [7] introduced the notion of generalized closed sets. He defined a subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau)$  to be generalized closed (briefly,  $g$ -closed) if  $Cl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $U \in \tau$  and  $A \subseteq U$ . Generalized semi-closed [6] (resp. generalized  $\beta$ -closed [10], generalized  $\omega$ -closed [4]) sets are defined by replacing the closure operator in Levine's original definition by the semi-closure (resp.  $\beta$ -closure,  $\omega$ -closure) operator.

In this paper, we follow a similar line to introduce generalized  $\omega\beta$ -closed sets by utilizing the  $\omega\beta$ -closure operator. We define  $g\omega\beta$ -open sets and  $g\omega\beta$ -neighborhoods and study the properties of each one. The  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous,  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute and  $g\omega\beta$ -closed functions are studied and we find the relationship between them and other well-known functions.

Now we begin to recall some known notions, definitions, and results which will be used in the work.

**Definition 1.1.** [3] A space  $(X, \tau)$  is called a  $\beta$ -anti locally countable space if each non-empty  $\beta$ -open set is an uncountable set.

**Proposition 1.2.** [3] Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space.

- i. The intersection of an  $\omega\beta$ -open set and an  $\omega$ -open set is  $\omega\beta$ -open.
- ii. The intersection of any family of  $\omega\beta$ -closed set is  $\omega\beta$ -closed.

**Definition 1.3.** [2] A function  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is called

- i.  $\omega\beta$ -continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\omega\beta$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$  for each open set  $V \subseteq Y$ .
- ii.  $\omega\beta$ -irresolute if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\omega\beta$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$  for each  $\omega\beta$ -open set  $V$  in  $(Y, \sigma)$ .
- iii.  $\omega\beta$ -open if  $f(V)$  is  $\omega\beta$ -open in  $(Y, \sigma)$  for each  $\omega\beta$ -open set  $V$  in  $(X, \tau)$ .
- iv.  $\omega\beta$ -closed if  $f(V)$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed in  $(Y, \sigma)$  for each  $\omega\beta$ -closed set  $V$  in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Definition 1.4.** [3] A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be

- i.  $\omega\beta$ -regular if each pair of a point and a closed set not containing the point can be separated by disjoint  $\omega\beta$ -open sets.
- ii.  $\omega\beta$ -normal if every two disjoint closed sets can be separated by  $\omega\beta$ -open sets.

## 2. GENERALIZED $\omega\beta$ -CLOSED SETS

In this section we introduce  $g\omega\beta$ -closed sets in a topological space and study some of their properties.

**Definition 2.1.** A subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is called generalized  $\omega\beta$ -closed (briefly,  $g\omega\beta$ -closed) if  $\omega\beta Cl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $U \in \tau$  and  $A \subseteq U$ .

We denote the family of all generalized  $\omega\beta$ -closed (resp. generalized closed) subsets of a space  $(X, \tau)$  by  $G\omega\beta C(X, \tau)$  (resp.  $GC(X, \tau)$ ).

**Proposition 2.2.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space. Then  $G\omega\beta C(X, \tau) = P(X)$  if one of the following properties holds.

- i.  $(X, \tau)$  is a countable space (i.e.,  $X$  is countable).
- ii.  $\omega\beta$ -open and  $\omega\beta$ -closed coincide in  $(X, \tau)$ .

*Proof.*

i) It is obvious.

ii) Suppose  $A \subseteq U$ , where  $U$  is open in  $X$ . Since  $U$  is  $\omega\beta$ -open, it is  $\omega\beta$ -closed by hypothesis. Hence,  $\omega\beta Cl(A) \subseteq U$  and  $A$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed. Then,  $G\omega\beta C(X, \tau) = P(X)$ .  $\square$

Every  $\omega\beta$ -closed set is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed. However, the converse is not true in general as the following example shows.

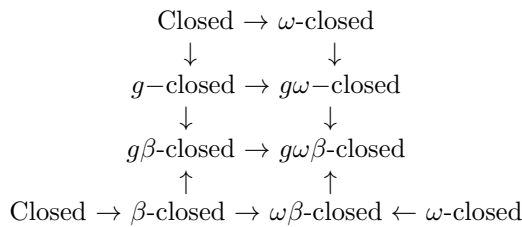
**Example 2.3.** Let  $X = \mathbb{R}$  with the topology  $\tau = \tau_{coc}$  and let  $A = [0, 1]$ . Then  $A$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$  since the only open set containing  $A$  is  $X$ . However,  $A$  is not  $\omega\beta$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Example 2.4.** Let  $X = \{1, 2, 3\}$  with  $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{1\}, \{1, 2\}\}$  and let  $A = \{1\}$ . Then  $A$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed. But  $A$  is not  $g$ -closed since  $A \subseteq A$  and  $Cl(A) = X \not\subseteq A$ .

**Example 2.5.** Let  $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$  with the topology  $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{1\}, \{1, 2, 3\}\}$ . Set  $A = \{1\}$ . Then  $A$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed since the space  $X$  is countable. However,  $A$  is not  $g\beta$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$  since  $\{1\} \subseteq \{1, 2, 3\} \in \tau$  but  $X = \beta Cl(\{1\}) \not\subseteq \{1, 2, 3\}$ .

**Example 2.6.** Let  $X = \mathbb{R}$  with the topology  $\tau = \{\phi, X, \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Q}\}$  and put  $A = \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Q}$ . Then  $A$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed. But  $A$  is not  $g\omega$ -closed, since  $A$  is open and  $A \subseteq A$ ,  $\omega Cl(A) \not\subseteq A$  (because  $A$  is not  $\omega$ -closed).

We have the following relation for  $g\omega\beta$ -closed sets with other known sets.



**Theorem 2.7.** Let  $A$  be a  $g\omega\beta$ -closed subset of  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $\omega\beta Cl(A) - A$  does not contain any non-empty closed sets.

*Proof.* Suppose by contrary that  $\omega\beta Cl(A) - A$  contains a non-empty closed set  $F$ . Then  $A \subseteq X - F$  and  $X - F$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$ . Thus,  $\omega\beta Cl(A) \subseteq X - F$  or equivalently,  $F \subseteq X - \omega\beta Cl(A)$ . This implies that  $F \subseteq (X - \omega\beta Cl(A)) \cap (\omega\beta Cl(A) - A) = \phi$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.8.** Let  $A$  be a  $g\omega\beta$ -closed subset of  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $A$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed if and only if  $\omega\beta Cl(A) - A$  is closed.

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be a  $g\omega\beta$ -closed set. If  $A$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed, then we have  $\omega\beta Cl(A) - A = \phi$  which is a closed set. Conversely, let  $\omega\beta Cl(A) - A$  be closed. Then by Theorem 2.7,  $\omega\beta Cl(A) - A$  does not contain any non-empty closed subset and since  $\omega\beta Cl(A) - A$  is a closed subset of itself, then  $\omega\beta Cl(A) - A = \phi$ . This implies that  $A = \omega\beta Cl(A)$  and so  $A$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.9.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space. Then the following are equivalent.

- i. Every open set of  $X$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed.

ii. Every subset of  $X$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed.

*Proof.* (i)  $\rightarrow$  (ii) Let  $A \subseteq U \in \tau$ . Then by (i),  $U$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed, so  $\omega\beta Cl(A) \subseteq \omega\beta Cl(U) = U$ . Thus,  $A$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed.

(ii)  $\rightarrow$  (i) Let  $U \in \tau$ . Then by (ii),  $U$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed and hence,  $\omega\beta Cl(U) \subseteq U$ . So  $U$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.10.** *If  $A$  is open and  $g\omega\beta$ -closed, then  $\omega\beta Cl(A) - A = \phi$ .*

*Proof.* It is obvious.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.11.** *If  $A$  is a  $g\omega\beta$ -closed set and  $B$  is any set such that  $A \subseteq B \subseteq \omega\beta Cl(A)$ , then  $B$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed.*

*Proof.* Let  $U \in \tau$  and  $B \subseteq U$ . Then  $A \subseteq B \subseteq U$ . Since  $A$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed,  $\omega\beta Cl(B) \subseteq \omega\beta Cl(\omega\beta Cl(A)) = \omega\beta Cl(A) \subseteq U$  and the result follows.  $\square$

**Definition 2.12.** *Let  $A$  be a subset of a space  $X$ . A point  $x \in X$  is said to be a  $\omega\beta$ -limit point of  $A$  if for each  $\omega\beta$ -open set  $U$  containing  $x$ , we have  $U \cap (A - \{x\}) \neq \phi$ . The set of all  $\omega\beta$ -limit points of  $A$  is called the  $\omega\beta$ -derived set of  $A$  and is denoted by  $D_{\omega\beta}(A)$ .*

Since every open set is  $\omega\beta$ -open, we have  $D_{\omega\beta}(A) \subseteq D(A)$  for any subset  $A \subseteq X$ , where  $D(A)$  is the derived set of  $A$ . Moreover, since every closed set is  $\omega\beta$ -closed, we have  $A \subseteq \omega\beta Cl(A) \subseteq Cl(A)$ .

The proof of the following result is straightforward and is omitted.

**Lemma 2.13.** *If  $D(A) = D_{\omega\beta}(A)$ , then we have  $Cl(A) = \omega\beta Cl(A)$ .*

**Corollary 2.14.** *If  $D(A) \subseteq D_{\omega\beta}(A)$  for any subset  $A$  of  $X$ . Then for any subsets  $F$  and  $B$  of  $X$ , we have  $\omega\beta Cl(F \cup B) = \omega\beta Cl(F) \cup \omega\beta Cl(B)$ .*

**Proposition 2.15.** *If  $A$  and  $B$  are  $g\omega\beta$ -closed sets such that  $D(A) \subseteq D_{\omega\beta}(A)$  and  $D(B) \subseteq D_{\omega\beta}(B)$ . Then  $A \cup B$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed.*

*Proof.* Let  $U$  be an open set such that  $A \cup B \subseteq U$ . Since  $A$  and  $B$  are  $g\omega\beta$ -closed sets, we have  $\omega\beta Cl(A) \subseteq U$  and  $\omega\beta Cl(B) \subseteq U$ . Since  $D(A) \subseteq D_{\omega\beta}(A)$ ,  $D(A) = D_{\omega\beta}(A)$  and by Lemma 2.13,  $Cl(A) = \omega\beta Cl(A)$ . Similarly,  $Cl(B) = \omega\beta Cl(B)$ . Thus,  $\omega\beta Cl(A \cup B) = \omega\beta Cl(A) \cup \omega\beta Cl(B) \subseteq U$ , which implies that  $A \cup B$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed.  $\square$

The following example shows that the countable union of  $g\omega\beta$ -closed sets need not be  $g\omega\beta$ -closed.

**Example 2.16.** *Let  $X = \mathbb{R}$  with the usual topology  $\tau_u$ . For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , put  $A_n = [\frac{1}{n}, 1]$  and  $A = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n$ . Then  $A$  is a countable union of  $g\omega\beta$ -closed sets but  $A$  is not  $g\omega\beta$ -closed since  $U = (0, 2) \in \tau_u$ ,  $A \subseteq U$  and  $\omega\beta Cl(A) = [0, 1] \not\subseteq U$ .*

**Proposition 2.17.** *Let  $A, B$  be subsets of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $A \cap B$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed whenever one of the following properties holds.*

- i.  $A$  is open and  $g\omega\beta$ -closed, and  $B$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed.*
- ii.  $A$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed and  $B$  is closed.*

*Proof.* i) By Proposition 2.10,  $A$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed. Hence by Proposition 1.2,  $A \cap B$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed in  $X$  which implies that  $A \cap B$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $X$ .

ii) Let  $U$  be an open set in  $(X, \tau)$  such that  $A \cap B \subseteq U$ . Put  $W = X - B$ . Then  $A \subseteq U \cup W \in \tau$ . Since  $A$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed,  $\omega\beta Cl(A) \subseteq U \cup W$ . Now  $\omega\beta Cl(A \cap B) \subseteq \omega\beta Cl(A) \cap \omega\beta Cl(B) \subseteq \omega\beta Cl(A) \cap Cl(B) = \omega\beta Cl(A) \cap B \subseteq (U \cup W) \cap B \subseteq U$ .  $\square$

The finite intersection of  $g\omega\beta$ -closed sets need not be  $g\omega\beta$ -closed. Let  $X$  be an uncountable set and let  $A$  be a subset of  $X$  such that  $A$  and  $X - A$  are uncountable. Let  $\tau = \{\phi, X, A\}$ . Choose  $x_1, x_2 \notin A$  and  $x_1 \neq x_2$ . Then  $A_1 = A \cup \{x_1\}$  and  $A_2 = A \cup \{x_2\}$  are two  $g\omega\beta$ -closed subsets of  $(X, \tau)$  (Since the only open set containing  $A_1, A_2$  is  $X$ ). But  $A_1 \cap A_2 = A$  is not  $g\omega\beta$ -closed since  $A \subseteq A \in \tau$  and  $\omega\beta Cl(A) \neq A$ .

**Theorem 2.18.** *A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed if and only if  $Cl(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \phi$  for every  $x \in \omega\beta Cl(A)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be a  $g\omega\beta$ -closed set in  $X$  and suppose, if possible, that there exists  $x \in \omega\beta Cl(A)$  such that  $Cl(\{x\}) \cap A = \phi$ . Therefore,  $A \subseteq (X \setminus Cl\{x\})$ , and so  $\omega\beta Cl(A) \subseteq (X \setminus Cl(\{x\}))$ . Hence,  $x \notin \omega\beta Cl(A)$  which is a contradiction.

Conversely, suppose that the condition of the theorem holds and let  $U$  be any open set containing  $A$ . Let  $x \in \omega\beta Cl(A)$ . Then by hypothesis  $Cl(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \phi$ , there exists  $z \in Cl(\{x\}) \cap A$  and so  $z \in A \subseteq U$ . Thus,  $\{x\} \cap U \neq \phi$ . Hence,  $x \in U$ , which implies that  $\omega\beta Cl(A) \subseteq U$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.19.** *For an element  $x \in X$ , either  $\{x\}$  is closed or  $X \setminus \{x\}$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed.*

*Proof.* Suppose  $\{x\}$  is not closed in  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $X \setminus \{x\}$  is not open and the only open set containing  $X \setminus \{x\}$  is  $X$ . This implies  $\omega\beta Cl(X \setminus \{x\}) \subseteq X$ . Hence,  $X \setminus \{x\}$  is a  $g\omega\beta$ -closed set in  $X$ .  $\square$

**Definition 2.20.** *A space  $(X, \tau)$  is called an  $\omega\beta$ - $T_{1/2}$  space if every generalized  $\omega\beta$ -closed set is  $\omega\beta$ -closed.*

**Example 2.21.** *Any set with indiscrete topology is an example for an  $\omega\beta$ - $T_{1/2}$  space.*

**Theorem 2.22.** *A space  $(X, \tau)$  is an  $\omega\beta$ - $T_{1/2}$  space if and only if every singleton is either closed or  $\omega\beta$ -open.*

*Proof.* Necessity. Suppose  $\{x\}$  is not a closed subset for some  $x \in X$ , hence by Theorem 2.19,  $X - \{x\}$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed. By assumption,  $X - \{x\}$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed. Hence,  $\{x\}$  is  $\omega\beta$ -open.

Sufficiency. Let  $A$  be a  $g\omega\beta$ -closed subset of  $(X, \tau)$  and  $x \in \omega\beta Cl(A)$ . We show that  $x \in A$ . If  $\{x\}$  is closed and  $x \notin A$ , then  $x \in (\omega\beta Cl(A) - A)$ . Thus,  $\omega\beta Cl(A) - A$  contains a nonempty closed set  $\{x\}$ , a contradiction to Theorem 2.7. So  $x \in A$ . If  $\{x\}$  is  $\omega\beta$ -open, since  $x \in \omega\beta Cl(A)$ , then for every  $\omega\beta$ -open set  $U$  containing  $x$ , we have  $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$ . Hence,  $x \in A$ . Therefore,  $A$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.23.** *Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a  $\beta$ -antilocally countable space. Then  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $T_1$ -space if it is an  $\omega\beta$ - $T_{1/2}$  space.*

*Proof.* Let  $x \in X$  and suppose that  $\{x\}$  is not closed. Then by Theorem 2.19  $A = X - \{x\}$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed. Therefore, by assumption,  $A$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed, and thus,  $\{x\}$  is  $\omega\beta$ -open. So there exists a  $\beta$ -open set  $U$  such that  $x \in U$  and  $U - \{x\}$  is countable. It follows that  $U$  is a nonempty countable  $\beta$ -open subset of  $x \in X$ , a contradiction.  $\square$

Recall that the kernel of a set  $A$  [9], denoted  $\ker(A)$ , is the intersection of all open supersets of  $A$ .

**Proposition 2.24.** *A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed if and only if  $\omega\beta Cl(A) \subseteq \ker(A)$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $A$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed,  $\omega\beta Cl(A) \subseteq G$  for any open set  $G$  with  $A \subseteq G$  and hence,  $\omega\beta Cl(A) \subseteq \ker(A)$ . Conversely, let  $G$  be an open set such that  $A \subseteq G$ . By hypothesis,  $\omega\beta Cl(A) \subseteq \ker(A) \subseteq \ker(G) = G$  and hence,  $A$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed.  $\square$

### 3. GENERALIZED $\omega\beta$ -OPEN SETS AND GENERALIZED $\omega\beta$ -NEIGHBORHOODS

**Definition 3.1.** *A subset  $A \subseteq X$  is called generalized  $\omega\beta$ -open (briefly,  $g\omega\beta$ -open) if its complement is generalized  $\omega\beta$ -closed. We denote the family of all generalized  $\omega\beta$ -open subsets of a space  $(X, \tau)$  by  $G\omega\beta O(X, \tau)$ .*

**Remark 3.2.**  $\omega\beta Cl(X - A) = X - \omega\beta Int(A)$ .

**Corollary 3.3.** *A subset  $A \subseteq X$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -open if and only if  $F \subseteq \omega\beta Int(A)$ , where  $F$  is a closed set and  $F \subseteq A$ .*

*Proof.* Necessity. Let  $A$  be  $g\omega\beta$ -open. Let  $F$  be a closed set such that  $F \subseteq A$ . Then  $X - A \subseteq X - F$ , where  $X - F$  is an open set. Since  $A$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -open,  $X - \omega\beta Int(A) = \omega\beta Cl(X - A) \subseteq X - F$ . That is  $F \subseteq \omega\beta Int(A)$ . Sufficiency. Suppose  $F \subseteq \omega\beta Int(A)$  whenever  $F$  is a closed set and  $F \subseteq A$ . Let  $X - A \subseteq U$  where  $U$  is open, then  $X - U \subseteq A$  where  $X - U$  is closed. By

hypothesis  $X - U \subseteq \omega\beta Int(A)$ . That is  $\omega\beta Cl(X - A) \subseteq X - \omega\beta Int(A) \subseteq U$ . This implies  $X - A$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed and  $A$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -open.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.4.** *If  $\omega\beta Int(A) \subseteq B \subseteq A$  and  $A$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -open, then  $B$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -open.*

*Proof.*  $\omega\beta Int(A) \subseteq B \subseteq A$  implies  $X - A \subseteq X - B \subseteq X - \omega\beta Int(A)$ . That is,  $X - A \subseteq X - B \subseteq \omega\beta Cl(X - A)$ . Since  $X - A$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed, by Theorem 2.11,  $X - B$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed and  $B$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -open.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.5.** *If  $A \subseteq X$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed, then  $\omega\beta Cl(A) - A$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -open.*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be  $g\omega\beta$ -closed. Let  $F$  be a closed set such that  $F \subseteq \omega\beta Cl(A) - A$ . Then by Theorem 2.7,  $F = \phi$ . So  $F \subseteq \omega\beta Int(\omega\beta Cl(A) - A)$ . This shows  $\omega\beta Cl(A) - A$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -open.  $\square$

**Remark 3.6.** *For any  $A \subseteq X$ ,  $\omega\beta Int(\omega\beta Cl(A) - A) = \phi$ .*

**Proposition 3.7.** *Let  $A \subseteq B \subseteq X$  and let  $\omega\beta Cl(A) \setminus A$  be  $g\omega\beta$ -open. Then  $\omega\beta Cl(A) \setminus B$  is also  $g\omega\beta$ -open.*

*Proof.* Suppose  $\omega\beta Cl(A) \setminus A$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -open and let  $F$  be a closed subset of  $(X, \tau)$  with  $F \subseteq \omega\beta Cl(A) \setminus B$ . Then  $F \subseteq \omega\beta Cl(A) \setminus A$ . By Corollary 3.3 and Remark 3.6  $F \subseteq \omega\beta Int(\omega\beta Cl(A) \setminus A) = \phi$ . Thus,  $F = \phi$  and hence,  $F \subseteq \omega\beta Int(\omega\beta Cl(A) \setminus B)$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.8.** *If a set  $A$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -open in a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , then  $G = X$  whenever  $G$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$  and  $\omega\beta Int(A) \cup A^c \subseteq G$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $G$  is open and  $\omega\beta Int(A) \cup A^c \subseteq G$ . Now  $G^c \subseteq \omega\beta Cl(A^c) \cap A = \omega\beta Cl(A^c) - A^c$ . Since  $G^c$  is closed and  $A^c$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed, by Theorem 2.7  $G^c = \phi$  and hence,  $G = X$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.9.** *Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $A, B \subseteq X$ . If one of the following conditions holds, then  $A \cap B$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -open*

- i.  $A$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -open and  $B$  is  $\omega$ -open.
- ii.  $B$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -open and  $\omega\beta Int(B) \subseteq A$ .

*Proof.* i) Let  $F$  be any closed subset of  $X$  such that  $F \subseteq A \cap B$ . Hence,  $F \subseteq A$  and by Corollary 3.3,  $F \subseteq \omega\beta Int(A) = \cup\{U : U \text{ is } \omega\beta\text{-open and } U \subseteq A\}$ . Obviously,  $F \subseteq \cup(U \cap B)$ , where  $U$  is an  $\omega\beta$ -open set in  $X$  contained in  $A$ . By Theorem 1.2,  $U \cap B$  is an  $\omega\beta$ -open set contained in  $A \cap B$  for each  $\omega\beta$ -open set  $U$  contained in  $A$ , so  $F \subseteq \omega\beta Int(A \cap B)$ , and by Corollary 3.3,  $A \cap B$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -open in  $X$ .

ii) Since  $B$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -open and  $\omega\beta Int(B) \subseteq A \cap B \subseteq B$ . By Proposition 3.4,  $A \cap B$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -open.  $\square$

Analogous to a neighborhood in a space  $X$ , we define a  $g\omega\beta$ -neighborhood in a space  $X$  as follows.

**Definition 3.10.** *Let  $X$  be a topological space and let  $x \in X$ . A subset  $N$  of  $X$  is called a  $g\omega\beta$ -neighborhood of  $x$  if there exists a  $g\omega\beta$ -open set  $G$  such that  $x \in G \subseteq N$ .*

**Definition 3.11.** *A subset  $N$  of a space  $X$  is called a  $g\omega\beta$ -neighborhood of  $A \subseteq X$  if there exists a  $g\omega\beta$ -open set  $G$  such that  $A \subseteq G \subseteq N$ .*

**Theorem 3.12.** *Every neighborhood  $N$  of  $x \in X$  is a  $g\omega\beta$ -neighborhood of  $x$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $N$  be a neighborhood of a point  $x \in X$ , there exists an open set  $G$  such that  $x \in G \subseteq N$ . Since every open set is a  $g\omega\beta$ -open set  $G$ ,  $N$  is a  $g\omega\beta$ -neighborhood of  $x$ .  $\square$

In general, a  $g\omega\beta$ -neighborhood  $N$  of  $x \in X$  need not be a neighborhood of  $x \in X$ , as seen from the following example.

**Example 3.13.** *Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with a topology  $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$ . Then  $G\omega\beta O(X) = P(X)$ . The set  $\{a, c\}$  is a  $g\omega\beta$ -neighborhood of the point  $c$ , since  $\{c\}$  is the  $g\omega\beta$ -open set such that  $c \in \{c\} \subseteq \{a, c\}$ . However, the set  $\{a, c\}$  is not a neighborhood of the point  $c$ , since there exists no open set  $G$  such that  $c \in G \subseteq \{a, c\}$ .*

**Theorem 3.14.** *If a subset  $N$  of a space  $X$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -open, then  $N$  is a  $g\omega\beta$ -neighborhood of each of its point.*

*Proof.* Suppose  $N$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -open. Let  $x \in N$ . We claim that  $N$  is a  $g\omega\beta$ -neighborhood of  $x$ . For  $N$  is a  $g\omega\beta$ -open set such that  $x \in N \subseteq N$ . Since  $x$  is an arbitrary point of  $N$ , it follows that  $N$  is a  $g\omega\beta$ -neighborhood of each of its points.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.15.** *Let  $X$  be a topological space. If  $F$  is a  $g\omega\beta$ -closed subset of  $X$  and  $x \in F^c$ . Then there exists a  $g\omega\beta$ -neighborhood  $N$  of  $x$  such that  $N \cap F = \phi$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $F$  be a  $g\omega\beta$ -closed subset of  $X$  and  $x \in F^c$ . Then  $F^c$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -open set of  $X$ . So by Theorem 3.14,  $F^c$  contains a  $g\omega\beta$ -neighborhood of each of its points. Hence there exists a  $g\omega\beta$ -neighborhood  $N$  of  $x$  such that  $N \subseteq F^c$ . That is  $N \cap F = \phi$ .  $\square$

**Definition 3.16.** *Let  $x$  be a point in a space  $X$ . The set of all  $g\omega\beta$ -neighborhoods of  $x$  is called the  $g\omega\beta$ -neighborhood system at  $x$ , and is denoted by  $g\omega\beta - N(x)$ .*



**Theorem 3.17.** *Let  $X$  be a topological space and for each  $x \in X$ , let  $g\omega\beta - N(x)$  be the collection of all  $g\omega\beta$ -neighborhoods of  $x$ . Then we have the following results.*

- i. For all  $x \in X$ ,  $g\omega\beta - N(x) \neq \phi$ .*
- ii. If  $N \in g\omega\beta - N(x)$ , then  $x \in N$ .*
- iii. If  $N \in g\omega\beta - N(x)$  and  $N \subseteq M$ , then  $M \in g\omega\beta - N(x)$ .*
- iv. If  $N \in g\omega\beta - N(x)$ , then there exists  $M \in g\omega\beta - N(x)$  such that  $M \subseteq N$  and  $M \in g\omega\beta - N(y)$  for every  $y \in M$ .*

*Proof.*

- i) Since  $X$  is a  $g\omega\beta$ -open set, it is a  $g\omega\beta$ -neighborhood of every  $x \in X$ . Hence there exists at least one  $g\omega\beta$ -neighborhood (namely  $X$ ) for each  $x \in X$ . Hence,  $g\omega\beta - N(x) \neq \phi$  for every  $x \in X$ .
- ii) If  $N \in g\omega\beta - N(x)$ , then  $N$  is a  $g\omega\beta$ -neighborhood of  $x$ . So by Definition 3.10,  $x \in N$ .
- iii) Let  $N \in g\omega\beta - N(x)$  and  $N \subseteq M$ . Then there is a  $g\omega\beta$ -open set  $G$  such that  $x \in G \subseteq N$ . Since  $N \subseteq M$ ,  $x \in G \subseteq M$  and so  $M$  is a  $g\omega\beta$ -neighborhood of  $x$ . Hence,  $M \in g\omega\beta - N(x)$ .
- iv) If  $N \in g\omega\beta - N(x)$ , then there exists a  $g\omega\beta$ -open set  $M$  such that  $x \in M \subseteq N$ . Since  $M$  is a  $g\omega\beta$ -open set, it is a  $g\omega\beta$ -neighborhood of each point of  $M$ . Therefore,  $M \in g\omega\beta - N(y)$  for each  $y \in M$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.18.** *Let  $X$  be a non-empty set, and for each  $x \in X$ , let  $g\omega\beta - N(x)$  be a non-empty collection of subsets of  $X$  satisfying the following conditions*

- i. If  $N \in g\omega\beta - N(x)$  then  $x \in N$ .*
- ii. If  $N, M \in g\omega\beta - N(x)$  then  $M \cap N \in g\omega\beta - N(x)$ .*

*Let  $\tau$  consist of the empty set and all those non-empty subsets of  $G$  of  $X$  having the property that  $x \in G$  implies that there exists an  $N \in g\omega\beta - N(x)$  such that  $x \in N \subseteq G$ . Then  $\tau$  is a topology for  $X$ .*

*Proof.*  $\phi \in \tau$  by definition. We now show that  $X \in \tau$ . Let  $x$  be any arbitrary element of  $X$ . Since  $g\omega\beta - N(x)$  is non-empty, there is an  $N \in g\omega\beta - N(x)$  such that  $x \in N$  by (i). Since  $N$  is a subset of  $X$ , we have  $x \in N \subseteq X$ . Hence,  $X \in \tau$ . Let  $G_1, G_2 \in \tau$ . If  $x \in G_1 \cap G_2$ , then  $x \in G_1$  and  $x \in G_2$ . Since  $G_1, G_2 \in \tau$ , there exists  $N, M \in g\omega\beta - N(x)$ , such that  $x \in N \subseteq G_1$  and  $x \in M \subseteq G_2$ . Then  $x \in N \cap M \subseteq G_1 \cap G_2$ , but  $N \cap M \in g\omega\beta - N(x)$  by (ii). Hence,  $G_1 \cap G_2 \in \tau$ . Finally, let  $G_\alpha \in \tau$  for every  $\alpha \in \Delta$ . If  $x \in \cup\{G_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\}$ , then  $x \in G_{\alpha(x)}$  for some  $\alpha(x) \in \Delta$ . Since  $G_{\alpha(x)} \in \tau$ , there exists an  $N \in g\omega\beta - N(x)$  such that  $x \in N \subseteq G_{\alpha(x)} \subseteq \cup\{G_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\}$ . Hence,  $\cup\{G_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\} \in \tau$ . It follows that  $\tau$  is a topology for  $X$ .  $\square$

4.  $g\omega\beta$ -CONTINUITY,  $g\omega\beta$ -IRRESOLUTENESS AND  $g\omega\beta$ -CLOSEDNESS

In this section we define generalized  $\omega\beta$ -continuity, generalized  $\omega\beta$ -irresoluteness and  $g\omega\beta$ -closed functions and some of the basic properties are studied. First we give some properties about the generalized  $\omega\beta$ -closure. The intersection of all  $g\omega\beta$ -closed (resp.  $g$ -closed [8]) sets of  $X$  containing  $A$  is called  $g\omega\beta$ -closure (resp.  $g$ -closure) of  $A$ , and it is denoted by  $\omega\beta Cl^*(A)$  (resp.  $Cl^*(A)$ ).

**Lemma 4.1.** *For an  $x \in X$ ,  $x \in \omega\beta Cl^*(A)$  if and only if  $V \cap A \neq \phi$  for every  $g\omega\beta$ -open set  $V$  containing  $x$ .*

*Proof.* It is trivial. □

**Lemma 4.2.** *Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of  $(X, \tau)$ , then the following properties hold.*

- i.*  $\omega\beta Cl^*(\phi) = \phi$  and  $\omega\beta Cl^*(X) = X$ .
- ii.* If  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $\omega\beta Cl^*(A) \subseteq \omega\beta Cl^*(B)$ .
- iii.*  $A \subseteq \omega\beta Cl^*(A)$ .
- iv.*  $\omega\beta Cl^*(A) = \omega\beta Cl^*(\omega\beta Cl^*(A))$ .
- v.*  $\omega\beta Cl^*(A) \cup \omega\beta Cl^*(B) \subseteq \omega\beta Cl^*(A \cup B)$ .
- vi.*  $\omega\beta Cl^*(A) \cap \omega\beta Cl^*(B) \supseteq \omega\beta Cl^*(A \cap B)$ .

**Definition 4.3.** *Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space*

- i.*  $\tau^* = \{U \subseteq X \mid Cl^*(X - U) = X - U\}$  [8].
- ii.*  $\tau_{\omega\beta}^* = \{W \subseteq X \mid \omega\beta Cl^*(X - W) = X - W\}$ .

**Proposition 4.4.** *For a subset  $A$  of  $(X, \tau)$ , the following implications hold.*

- i.*  $A \subseteq \omega\beta Cl^*(A) \subseteq \omega\beta Cl(A) \subseteq Cl(A)$ .
- ii.*  $\tau \subseteq \omega\beta O(X, \tau) \subseteq \tau_{\omega\beta}^*$ .
- iii.*  $A \subseteq \omega\beta Cl^*(A) \subseteq Cl^*(A) \subseteq Cl(A)$ .
- iv.*  $\tau \subseteq \{g\text{-open sets}\} \subseteq \tau^* \subseteq \tau_{\omega\beta}^*$ .

**Theorem 4.5.** *If  $G\omega\beta O(X, \tau)$  is a topology, then  $\tau_{\omega\beta}^*$  is a topology.*

*Proof.* Clearly  $\phi, X \in \tau_{\omega\beta}^*$ . Let  $A, B \in \tau_{\omega\beta}^*$ . Now  $\omega\beta Cl^*(X - (A \cap B)) = \omega\beta Cl^*((X - A) \cup (X - B)) = \omega\beta Cl^*(X - A) \cup \omega\beta Cl^*(X - B) = (X - A) \cup (X - B) = X - (A \cap B)$ . Hence,  $A \cap B \in \tau_{\omega\beta}^*$ . Let  $\{A_i : i \in \Delta\} \in \tau_{\omega\beta}^*$ . Then  $\omega\beta Cl^*(X - \cup A_i) = \omega\beta Cl^*(\cap (X - A_i)) \subset \cap \omega\beta Cl^*(X - A_i) = \cap (X - A_i) = X - \cup A_i$ . Since  $X - \cup A_i \subset \omega\beta Cl^*(X - \cup A_i)$ ,  $\omega\beta Cl^*(\cup (X - A_i)) = \cup \omega\beta Cl^*(X - A_i)$  and hence,  $\cup A_i \in \tau_{\omega\beta}^*$ . Thus,  $\tau_{\omega\beta}^*$  is a topology. □

**Theorem 4.6.** *For a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , the following properties hold.*

- i.* A space  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g\omega\beta - T_{1/2}$  if and only if  $\tau_{\omega\beta}^* = \omega\beta O(X, \tau)$ .
- ii.* Every  $g\omega\beta$ -closed is closed if and only if  $\tau_{\omega\beta}^* = \tau$ .

*Proof.* i) Necessity. Let  $A \in \tau_{\omega\beta}^*$ . Then  $\omega\beta Cl^*(X - A) = X - A$ . Since  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g\omega\beta-T_{1/2}$ ,  $\omega\beta Cl(X - A) = \omega\beta Cl^*(X - A) = X - A$ . Hence,  $A \in \omega\beta O(X, \tau)$ . By Proposition 4.4,  $\tau_{\omega\beta}^* = \omega\beta O(X, \tau)$ .

Sufficiency. Suppose  $\tau_{\omega\beta}^* = \omega\beta O(X, \tau)$ . Let  $A$  be  $g\omega\beta$ -closed set. Then  $\omega\beta Cl^*(A) = A$ . This implies  $X - A \in \tau_{\omega\beta}^* = \omega\beta O(X, \tau)$ . So  $A$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed.

Proof of (ii) is similar to (i). □

**Definition 4.7.** A function  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is said to be  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $X$  for every closed set  $V$  of  $Y$ .

Continuity implies  $g\omega\beta$ -continuity but the converse need not be true.

**Example 4.8.** Let  $X = \mathbb{R}$  with the topology  $\tau = \tau_u$  and let  $Y = \{1, 2\}$  with the topology  $\sigma = \{\phi, Y, \{1\}\}$ . Let  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be the function defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2, & x \in \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Q}; \\ 1, & x \in \mathbb{Q}. \end{cases}$$

Then  $f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous but not continuous, since  $f^{-1}(\{2\}) = \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Q}$  is not closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Remark 4.9.**

- i) If  $\tau_{\omega\beta}^* = \tau$  in  $X$ , then continuity and  $g\omega\beta$ -continuity coincide.
- ii) Every  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous function defined on  $g\omega\beta-T_{1/2}$  space is  $\omega\beta$ -continuous.
- iii) A function  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous if and only if the inverse image of every open set in  $Y$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -open in  $X$ .

**Theorem 4.10.** If  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous, then  $f(\omega\beta Cl^*(A)) \subseteq Cl(f(A))$  for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ .

*Proof.* Let  $A \subseteq X$ . Then  $Cl(f(A))$  is closed in  $Y$ . By assumption  $f^{-1}(Cl(f(A)))$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $X$ . And  $A \subseteq f^{-1}(f(A)) \subseteq f^{-1}(Cl(f(A)))$  implies  $\omega\beta Cl^*(A) \subseteq f^{-1}(Cl(f(A)))$ . Hence,  $f(\omega\beta Cl^*(A)) \subseteq Cl(f(A))$ . □

However, the converse does not hold.

**Example 4.11.** Let  $X = \mathbb{R}$  with the topology  $\tau = \tau_{coc}$  and let  $Y = \{1, 2\}$  with the topology  $\sigma = \{\phi, Y, \{1\}\}$ . Let  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be the function defined by  $f(x) = 2$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Q}$ . If we take  $A = \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Q}$ , then  $f(\omega\beta Cl^*(A)) \subseteq Cl(f(A))$ . However  $f$  is not  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous since  $f^{-1}(\{2\}) = \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Q}$  is not  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 4.12.** Let  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be a function

- a) If for each point  $x \in X$  and each open set  $V$  containing  $f(x)$  there exists a  $g\omega\beta$ -open set  $U$  containing  $x$  such that  $f(U) \subseteq V$ , then for every subset

$A$  of  $X$ ,  $f(\omega\beta Cl^*(A)) \subseteq Cl(f(A))$ .

b) The following statements are equivalent.

- i. For every subset  $A$  of  $X$ ,  $f(\omega\beta Cl^*(A)) \subseteq Cl(f(A))$ .
- ii. Suppose  $\tau_{\omega\beta^*}$  is a topology. The function  $f: (X, \tau_{\omega\beta^*}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is continuous.

*Proof.*

a) Let  $y \in f(\omega\beta Cl^*(A))$ . Let  $V$  be an open set containing  $y$ . Then by hypothesis, there exists  $x \in \omega\beta Cl^*(A)$  such that  $f(x) = y$  and a  $g\omega\beta$ -open set  $U$  containing  $x$  such that  $f(U) \subseteq V$ . Therefore, by Lemma 4.1  $U \cap A \neq \phi$ . Then  $f(U \cap A) \neq \phi$ . This implies  $V \cap f(A) \neq \phi$ . Hence,  $y \in Cl(f(A))$ .

b) (i)  $\rightarrow$  (ii) Let  $A$  be closed in  $(Y, \sigma)$ . By hypothesis,  $f(\omega\beta Cl^*(f^{-1}(A))) \subseteq Cl(f(f^{-1}(A))) \subseteq Cl(A) = A$ . That is,  $\omega\beta Cl^*(f^{-1}(A)) \subseteq f^{-1}(A)$ . Also,  $f^{-1}(A) \subseteq \omega\beta Cl^*(f^{-1}(A))$ . Thus,  $f^{-1}(A)$  is closed in  $(X, \tau_{\omega\beta^*})$  and so  $f$  is continuous.

(ii)  $\rightarrow$  (i) For every subset  $A$  of  $X$ ,  $Cl(f(A))$  is closed in  $(Y, \sigma)$ . Since  $f: (X, \tau_{\omega\beta^*}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is continuous,  $f^{-1}(Cl(f(A)))$  is closed in  $(X, \tau_{\omega\beta^*})$  and hence,  $\omega\beta Cl^*(f^{-1}(Cl(f(A)))) = f^{-1}(Cl(f(A)))$ . Moreover, we have  $A \subseteq f^{-1}(f(A)) \subseteq f^{-1}(Cl(f(A)))$  and by Lemma 4.2,  $\omega\beta Cl^*(A) \subseteq \omega\beta Cl^*(f^{-1}(Cl(f(A)))) = f^{-1}(Cl(f(A)))$ . Therefore, we obtain  $f(\omega\beta Cl^*(A)) \subseteq Cl(f(A))$ . □

**Theorem 4.13.** *If  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is a continuous and  $\omega\beta$ -closed function, then  $f(A)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $Y$  for every  $g\omega\beta$ -closed set  $A$  in  $X$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be any  $g\omega\beta$ -closed set of  $X$  and  $U$  be any open set of  $Y$  containing  $f(A)$ . Since  $f$  is continuous,  $f^{-1}(U)$  is open in  $X$  and  $A \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$ . Therefore, we have  $\omega\beta Cl(A) \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$  and hence,  $f(\omega\beta Cl(A)) \subseteq U$ . Since  $f$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed,  $\omega\beta Cl(f(A)) \subseteq \omega\beta Cl(f(\omega\beta Cl(A))) = f(\omega\beta Cl(A)) \subseteq U$ . Hence,  $f(A)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $Y$ . □

**Definition 4.14.** *A function  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is said to be  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $X$  for every  $g\omega\beta$ -closed set  $V$  of  $Y$ .*

It follows easily from the definition that a function  $f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute if and only if the inverse image of every  $g\omega\beta$ -open set in  $Y$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -open in  $X$ .

Note that if a function is  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute then it is  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous, but not conversely.

**Example 4.15.** *Let  $X = \mathbb{R}$  with the topology  $\tau = \tau_{coc}$  and let  $Y = \{1, 2\}$  with the topology  $\sigma = \{\phi, Y, \{1\}\}$ . Let  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be the function defined by*

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Q}; \\ 2, & x \in \mathbb{Q}. \end{cases}$$

Then  $f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous but not  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute, since  $f^{-1}(\{1\}) = \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Q}$  is not  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proposition 4.16.** *If  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is an  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous and  $\sigma_{\omega\beta^*} = \sigma$  holds, then  $f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute.*

The proof follows from Remark 4.9.

**Theorem 4.17.** *If  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is an  $\omega\beta$ -irresolute open bijection, then  $f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute.*

*Proof.* Let  $F$  be any  $g\omega\beta$ -closed set of  $Y$  and  $U$  be an open set of  $X$  containing  $f^{-1}(F)$ . Since  $f$  is open,  $f(U)$  is open in  $Y$  and  $F \subseteq f(U)$ . Since  $F$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed,  $\omega\beta Cl(F) \subseteq f(U)$  and hence,  $f^{-1}(\omega\beta Cl(F)) \subseteq U$ . Since  $f$  is  $\omega\beta$ -irresolute,  $f^{-1}(\omega\beta Cl(F))$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed. Hence,  $\omega\beta Cl(f^{-1}(F)) \subseteq \omega\beta Cl(f^{-1}(\omega\beta Cl(F))) = f^{-1}(\omega\beta Cl(F)) \subseteq U$ .

Therefore,  $f^{-1}(F)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed and  $f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute. □

The composition of two  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous functions need not be  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous as can be seen from the following example.

**Example 4.18.** *Consider  $X = \mathbb{R}$  with the topology  $\tau = \tau_{coc}$ ,  $Y = \{1, 2\}$  with the topologies  $\sigma = \{\phi, Y, \{1\}\}$  and  $\rho = \{\phi, Y, \{2\}\}$ . Let  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be the function define by*

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Q}; \\ 2, & x \in \mathbb{Q}. \end{cases}$$

And  $g: (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Y, \rho)$  be the identity function. Then  $f$  and  $g$  are  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous. However,  $g \circ f$  is not  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous since  $(g \circ f)^{-1}(1) = \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Q}$  is not  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 4.19.** *Let  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  and  $g: (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \rho)$  be any two functions. Then*

- i.  $g \circ f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous, if  $g$  is continuous and  $f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -contin-uous.*
- ii.  $g \circ f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute, if  $g$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute and  $f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute.*
- iii.  $g \circ f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous, if  $g$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous and  $f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute.*
- iv.  $g \circ f$  is  $\omega\beta$ -continuous, if  $f$  is  $\omega\beta$ -irresolute and  $g$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -contin-uous and  $Y$  is a  $g\omega\beta$ - $T_{1/2}$  space.*
- v.  $g \circ f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous, if  $f, g$  are  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous and  $\sigma_{\omega\beta^*} = \sigma$ .*

*Proof.*

i) Let  $V$  be closed in  $(Z, \rho)$ . Then  $g^{-1}(V)$  is closed in  $(Y, \sigma)$ , since  $g$  is continuous.  $g\omega\beta$ -continuity of  $f$  implies that  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ . Hence,  $g \circ f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous.

ii) Let  $V$  be  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $(Z, \rho)$ . Then  $g^{-1}(V)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $(Y, \sigma)$ , since  $g$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute.  $g\omega\beta$ -irresoluteness of  $f$  implies that  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ . Hence,  $g \circ f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute.

- iii) Let  $V$  be closed in  $(Z, \rho)$ . Then  $g^{-1}(V)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $(Y, \sigma)$ , since  $g$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous.  $g\omega\beta$ -irresoluteness of  $f$  implies that  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ . Hence,  $g \circ f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous.
- iv) Let  $V$  be closed in  $(Z, \rho)$ . Then  $g^{-1}(V)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $(Y, \sigma)$ , since  $g$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous. As  $(Y, \sigma)$  is an  $\omega\beta$ - $T_{1/2}$  space,  $g^{-1}(V)$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ . Hence,  $g \circ f$  is  $\omega\beta$ -irresolute.
- v) The proof follows from Remark 4.9. □

**Theorem 4.20.** *Let  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be a function*

- i. If  $f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute and  $X$  is  $g\omega\beta$ - $T_{1/2}$ , then  $f$  is  $\omega\beta$ -irresolute.*
- ii. If  $f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous and  $X$  is  $g\omega\beta$ - $T_{1/2}$ , then  $f$  is  $\omega\beta$ -continuous.*

*Proof.*

- i) Let  $V$  be  $\omega\beta$ -closed in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute and every  $\omega\beta$ -closed is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $X$ . Since  $X$  is  $g\omega\beta$ - $T_{1/2}$ ,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed in  $X$ . Hence,  $f$  is  $\omega\beta$ -irresolute.
- ii) Let  $V$  be closed in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $X$ . By assumption, it is  $\omega\beta$ -closed. Therefore,  $f$  is  $\omega\beta$ -continuous. □

**Theorem 4.21.** *Let  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be an  $\omega\beta$ -closed and  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute surjection. If  $(X, \tau)$  is an  $\omega\beta$ - $T_{1/2}$  space, then  $(Y, \sigma)$  is also an  $\omega\beta$ - $T_{1/2}$  space.*

*Proof.* Let  $F$  be any  $g\omega\beta$ -closed set of  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute,  $f^{-1}(F)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $X$ . Since  $X$  is  $\omega\beta$ - $T_{1/2}$ ,  $f^{-1}(F)$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed in  $X$ . As  $f$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed,  $f(f^{-1}(F)) = F$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed in  $Y$ . This shows that  $(Y, \sigma)$  is also  $g\omega\beta$ - $T_{1/2}$  space. □

**Definition 4.22.** *A function  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is said to be  $g\omega\beta^*$ -continuous if the inverse image of every  $\omega\beta$ -closed set in  $Y$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $X$ .*

**Remark 4.23.** *The class of all  $g\omega\beta^*$ -continuous functions lie inbetween the class of all  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute functions and the class of all  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous functions, as seen in the following proposition.*

**Proposition 4.24.** *Let  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be a function.*

- i. If  $f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute, then it is  $g\omega\beta^*$ -continuous.*
- ii. If  $f$  is  $g\omega\beta^*$ -continuous, then it is  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous.*

The authors were unable to find an example to show that the converse of (i) in Proposition 4.24 is not always true. However, the function defined in Example 4.15 is  $g\omega\beta$ -continuous but not  $g\omega\beta^*$ -continuous.

**Proposition 4.25.** *If a bijection  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is open and  $g\omega\beta^*$ -continuous, then it is  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute.*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $Y$ . Let  $f^{-1}(A) \subseteq U$ , where  $U$  is open in  $X$ . Since  $f$  is open,  $f(U)$  is open in  $Y$ .  $A \subseteq f(U)$  implies that  $\omega\beta Cl(A) \subseteq f(U)$ . That is,  $f^{-1}(\omega\beta Cl(A)) \subseteq U$ . Since  $f$  is  $g\omega\beta^*$ -continuous,  $\omega\beta Cl(f^{-1}(\omega\beta Cl(A))) \subseteq U$  and so  $\omega\beta Cl(f^{-1}(A)) \subseteq U$ . This shows that  $f^{-1}(A)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $X$ . Hence,  $f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.26.** *Let a bijection  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be open  $g\omega\beta^*$ -continuous and  $\omega\beta$ -closed. If  $X$  is  $g\omega\beta$ - $T_{1/2}$ , then  $Y$  is  $g\omega\beta - T_{1/2}$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $Y$ . By Proposition 4.25,  $f^{-1}(A)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $X$ . By hypothesis,  $f^{-1}(A)$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed in  $X$ . Since  $f$  is bijective and  $\omega\beta$ -closed,  $A = f(f^{-1}(A))$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed in  $Y$ . That is,  $Y$  is an  $\omega\beta$ - $T_{1/2}$  space.  $\square$

**Definition 4.27.** *A function  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is called a generalized  $\omega\beta$ -closed function (written as  $g\omega\beta$ -closed function) if for each closed set  $F$  in  $X$ ,  $f(F)$  is a  $g\omega\beta$ -closed set of  $Y$ .*

Every closed function is a  $g\omega\beta$ -closed function, but not conversely.

**Example 4.28.** *Let  $X = \{1, 2\}$  with the topologies  $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{1\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{\phi, X, \{2\}\}$ . Let  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$  be the identity function. Then  $f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed but not closed, since  $f(\{2\}) = 2$  is not closed in  $(X, \sigma)$ .*

**Theorem 4.29.** *A function  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed if and only if for each subset  $S$  of  $Y$  and for each open set  $U$  containing  $f^{-1}(S)$ , there is a  $g\omega\beta$ -open set  $V$  of  $Y$  such that  $S \subseteq V$  and  $f^{-1}(V) \subseteq U$ .*

*Proof.* Necessity. Let  $S$  be a subset of  $Y$  and  $U$  be an open set of  $X$  such that  $f^{-1}(S) \subseteq U$ . Then  $Y - f(X - U)$ , say  $V$ , is a  $g\omega\beta$ -open set containing  $S$  such that  $f^{-1}(V) \subseteq U$ .

Sufficiency. Let  $F$  be a closed set of  $X$ , then  $f^{-1}(Y - f(F)) \subseteq X - F$  and  $X - F$  is open. By hypothesis, there is a  $g\omega\beta$ -open set  $V$  of  $Y$  such that  $Y - f(F) \subseteq V$  and  $f^{-1}(V) \subseteq X - F$ . Therefore, we have  $F \subseteq X - f^{-1}(V)$  and hence,  $Y - V \subseteq f(F) \subseteq f(X - f^{-1}(V)) \subseteq Y - V$ . This implies  $f(F) = Y - V$ , since  $Y - V$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed,  $f(F)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed and thus,  $f$  is a  $g\omega\beta$ -closed function.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.30.** *If a function  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed, then  $\omega\beta Cl^*(f(A)) \subseteq f(Cl(A))$  for every subset  $A$  of  $(X, \tau)$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed and  $A \subseteq X$ . Then  $Cl(A)$  is closed in  $X$  and so  $f(Cl(A))$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $(Y, \sigma)$ . We have  $f(A) \subseteq f(Cl(A))$  by Lemma 4.2,  $\omega\beta Cl^*(f(A)) \subseteq \omega\beta Cl^*(f(Cl(A)))$ . Since  $f(Cl(A))$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $(Y, \sigma)$ ,  $\omega\beta Cl^*(f(Cl(A))) = f(Cl(A))$ , we have  $\omega\beta Cl^*(f(A)) \subseteq f(Cl(A))$  for every subset  $A$  of  $(X, \tau)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.31.** *If  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is continuous,  $g\omega\beta$ -closed and  $A$  is a  $g$ -closed subset of  $X$ , then  $f(A)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed.*

*Proof.* Let  $f(A) \subseteq U$ , where  $U$  is an open subset of  $Y$ , then  $f^{-1}(U)$  is an open set containing  $A$ . Since  $A$  is  $g$ -closed, we have  $Cl(A) \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$  and  $f(Cl(A)) \subseteq U$ . Since  $f$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed,  $f(Cl(A))$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed. Therefore,  $\omega\beta Cl(f(Cl(A))) \subseteq U$  which implies that  $\omega\beta Cl(f(A)) \subseteq U$ . Hence,  $f(A)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.32.** *Let  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be a bijective, open, and  $g\omega\beta^*$ -continuous function. Then  $f$  is a  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute function.*

*Proof.* Let  $V$  be any  $g\omega\beta$ -closed subset of  $Y$  and let  $U$  be any open subset of  $X$  such that  $f^{-1}(V) \subseteq U$ . Clearly  $V \subseteq f(U)$ , since  $f$  is an open function,  $f(U)$  is open and  $V$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed. Hence,  $\omega\beta Cl(V) \subseteq f(U)$  and  $f^{-1}(\omega\beta Cl(V)) \subseteq U$ . Since  $f$  is  $g\omega\beta^*$ -continuous and  $\omega\beta Cl(V)$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed in  $Y$ , then  $f^{-1}(\omega\beta Cl(V))$  is a  $g\omega\beta$ -closed subset of  $U$  and so  $\omega\beta Cl(f^{-1}(\omega\beta Cl(V))) \subseteq U$ . So  $\omega\beta Cl(f^{-1}(V)) \subseteq U$ . Therefore,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is a  $g\omega\beta$ -closed subset. Hence,  $f$  is a  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute function.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.33.** *If  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is bijective,  $\omega\beta$ -closed and continuous, then the inverse function  $f^{-1}: (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (X, \tau)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute.*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ . Let  $(f^{-1})^{-1}(A) = f(A) \subseteq U$ , where  $U$  is open in  $(Y, \sigma)$ . Then  $A \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$ , since  $f^{-1}(U)$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$  and  $A$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $\omega\beta Cl(A) \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$  and hence,  $f(\omega\beta Cl(A)) \subseteq U$ . Since  $f$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed,  $f(\omega\beta Cl(A))$  is  $\omega\beta$ -closed in  $(Y, \sigma)$  and  $f(A) \subseteq f(\omega\beta Cl(A))$  and hence,  $\omega\beta Cl(f(A)) \subseteq U$ . Thus,  $f(A)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $(Y, \sigma)$  and so  $f^{-1}$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -irresolute.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.34.** *If  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is a continuous surjection and  $g: (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \rho)$  is a function such that  $g \circ f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \rho)$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed, then  $g$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed.*

*Proof.* Let  $V$  be a closed set of  $Y$ . Since  $f^{-1}(V)$  is closed in  $X$ ,  $g(V) = (g \circ f)(f^{-1}(V))$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed in  $Z$ . Hence,  $g$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.35.** *If  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is a continuous, onto and  $g\omega\beta$ -closed function from a normal space  $(X, \tau)$  to a space  $(Y, \sigma)$ , then  $(Y, \sigma)$  is  $\omega\beta$ -normal.*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  and  $B$  be disjoint closed sets of  $Y$ . Since  $X$  is normal, then there exist disjoint open sets  $U$  and  $V$  in  $X$  such that  $f^{-1}(A) \subseteq U$  and  $f^{-1}(B) \subseteq V$ . By Theorem 4.29, there exist  $g\omega\beta$ -open sets  $G$  and  $H$  in  $Y$  such that  $A \subseteq G$ ,  $B \subseteq H$ ,  $f^{-1}(G) \subseteq U$ ,  $f^{-1}(H) \subseteq V$  and  $f^{-1}(G) \cap f^{-1}(H) = \phi$ . Hence,  $G \cap H = \phi$ . Since  $G$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -open and  $A$  is a closed



set such that  $A \subseteq G$ ,  $A \subseteq \omega\beta\text{Int}(G)$ . Similarly,  $B \subseteq \omega\beta\text{Int}(H)$ . Hence,  $\omega\beta\text{Int}(G) \cap \omega\beta\text{Int}(H) \subset G \cap H = \phi$ . Therefore,  $Y$  is  $\omega\beta$ -normal.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.36.** *If  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is a continuous,  $\omega\beta$ -open and  $g\omega\beta$ -closed surjection from a regular space  $(X, \tau)$  to a space  $(Y, \sigma)$ , then  $(Y, \sigma)$  is  $\omega\beta$ -regular.*

*Proof.* Let  $y \in Y$  and  $U$  be an open set containing  $y$  in  $Y$ , then there exists  $x \in X$  such that  $f(x) = y$ . Now,  $f^{-1}(U)$  is an open set in  $X$  containing  $x$ . But  $X$  is regular, then there exists an open set  $V$  such that  $x \in V \subseteq \text{Cl}(V) \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$  and  $y \in f(V) \subseteq f(\text{Cl}(V)) \subseteq U$ . But  $f(\text{Cl}(V))$  is  $g\omega\beta$ -closed. Then we have  $\omega\beta\text{Cl}(f(\text{Cl}(V))) \subseteq U$ . Therefore,  $y \in f(V) \subseteq \omega\beta\text{Cl}(f(V)) \subseteq U$  and  $f(V)$  is  $\omega\beta$ -open in  $Y$  (because  $f$  is  $\omega\beta$ -open). Hence,  $Y$  is  $\omega\beta$ -regular.  $\square$

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