



(Λ, μ) -Closed Sets and the Related Notions

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Abstract: We introduce and study the notions of (Λ, μ) -continuity, (Λ, μ) -irresoluteness, (Λ, μ) -compactness and (Λ, μ) -connectedness.

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1. Introduction and Preliminaries

It is observed that a large number of papers are devoted to the study of generalized open like sets of a topological space containing the class of open sets and possessing properties more or less similar to those of open sets. This paper deals with the notions of Λ_μ -sets and (Λ, μ) -closed sets which are defined by utilizing the notions of μ -open and μ -closed sets. We also introduce and characterize some new low separation axioms. Moreover, we introduce and study the notions of (Λ, μ) -continuity, (Λ, μ) -irresoluteness, (Λ, μ) -compactness and (Λ, μ) -connectedness.

Definition 1.1 ([3]). Let X be a nonempty set and λ be a collection of subsets of X . Then λ is called a generalized topology (briefly GT) on X iff $\phi \in \lambda$ and $G_i \in \lambda$ for $i \in I \neq \phi$ implies $G = \bigcup_{i \in I} G_i \in \lambda$. We call the pair (X, λ) a generalized topological space (briefly GTS) on X .

The elements of λ are called λ -open sets and the complements are called λ -closed sets. The generalized closure of a subset S of X , denoted by $c_\lambda(S)$, is the intersection of λ -closed sets including S . And the interior of S , denoted by $i_\lambda(S)$, is the union of λ -open sets contained in S .

Definition 1.2 ([1]). Let (X, μ) and (Y, λ) be GTS's. Then a function $f : (X, \mu) \rightarrow (Y, \lambda)$ is said to be μ - α -irresolute if the inverse image of every λ - α -open set in Y is an μ - α -open set in X .

Definition 1.3 ([7]). Let (X, μ) and (Y, λ) be GTS's. Then a function $f : (X, \mu) \rightarrow (Y, \lambda)$ is said to be (μ, λ) -open if the image of each μ -open set in X is an λ -open set in Y .

Definition 1.4 ([8]). Let A be a subset of a GTS (X, μ) . A subset $\Lambda_\mu(A)$ is defined as follows:

$$\Lambda_\mu(A) = \begin{cases} \bigcap \{G : G \in \mu, A \subseteq G\} & \text{if there exists } G \in \mu \text{ and } A \subseteq G, \\ X, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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Lemma 1.5 ([8]). For subsets A, B and $A_i (i \in I)$ of a GTS (X, μ) , the following properties hold:

- (1). $A \subseteq \Lambda_\mu(A)$;
- (2). If $A \subseteq B$, then $\Lambda_\mu(A) \subseteq \Lambda_\mu(B)$;
- (3). $\Lambda_\mu(\Lambda_\mu(A)) = \Lambda_\mu(A)$;
- (4). $\Lambda_\mu(\cap\{A_i \mid i \in I\}) \subseteq \cap\{\Lambda_\mu(A_i) \mid i \in I\}$;
- (5). $\Lambda_\mu(\cup\{A_i \mid i \in I\}) = \cup\{\Lambda_\mu(A_i) \mid i \in I\}$.

Definition 1.6 ([8]). A subset A of a GTS (X, μ) is called a Λ_μ -set if $A = \Lambda_\mu(A)$.

Lemma 1.7 ([8]). For subsets A and $A_i (i \in I)$ of a GTS (X, μ) , the following hold:

- (1). $\Lambda_\mu(A)$ is a Λ_μ -set.
- (2). If A is μ -open, then A is a Λ_μ -set.
- (3). If A_i is a Λ_μ -set for each $i \in I$, then $\cap_{i \in I} A_i$ is a Λ_μ -set.
- (4). If A_i is a Λ_μ -set for each $i \in I$, then $\cup_{i \in I} A_i$ is a Λ_μ -set.

Definition 1.8 ([8]). A subset A of a GTS (X, μ) is called (Λ, μ) -closed if $A = T \cap C$, where T is a Λ_μ -set and C is a μ -closed set. The complement of a (Λ, μ) -closed set is called a (Λ, μ) -open set. We shall denote the collection of all (Λ, μ) -open sets (resp. (Λ, μ) -closed sets) in a GTS (X, μ) by $\Lambda_\mu\text{-}O(X, \mu)$ (resp. $\Lambda_\mu\text{-}C(X, \mu)$).

Theorem 1.9 ([8]). Let A be (Λ, μ) -closed subset of a GTS (X, μ) . Then, we have

- (1). $A = T \cap c_\mu(A)$, where T is a Λ_μ -set;
- (2). $A = \Lambda_\mu(A) \cap c_\mu(A)$.

Lemma 1.10 ([8]). For a GTS (X, μ) ,

- (1). Every Λ_μ -set (resp. μ -closed set) is (Λ, μ) -closed;
- (2). $\Lambda_\mu\text{-}C(X, \mu)$ (resp. $\Lambda_\mu\text{-}O(X, \mu)$) is closed under arbitrary intersection (resp. union).

Definition 1.11 ([5]). A subset A of a GTS (X, μ) is called a generalized μ -closed set (briefly, g_μ -closed) if $c_\mu(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is μ -open in (X, μ) . A subset A is said to be g_μ -open if $X - A$ is g_μ -closed.

Definition 1.12 ([9]). A GTS (X, μ) is called an μ - R_0 space if for each μ -open set U and each $x \in U$, $c_\mu(\{x\}) \subseteq U$.

Definition 1.13 ([10]). A GTS (X, μ) is said to be μ - T_1 if for any distinct pair of points x and y in X , there is an μ -open set U in X containing x but not y and an μ -open set V in X containing y but not x .

Definition 1.14 ([8]). Let (X, μ) be a GTS and $A \subseteq X$. A point $x \in X$ is called a (Λ, μ) -cluster point of A if for every (Λ, μ) -open set U of X containing x we have $A \cap U = \phi$. The set of all (Λ, μ) -cluster points is called the (Λ, μ) -closure set of A and is denoted by $A^{(\Lambda, \mu)}$.

Lemma 1.15 ([8]). Let A and B be subsets of a GTS (X, μ) . For the (Λ, μ) -closure, the following properties hold.

- (1). $A \subseteq A^{(\Lambda, \mu)}$ and $(A^{(\Lambda, \mu)})^{(\Lambda, \mu)} = A^{(\Lambda, \mu)}$.

(2). $A^{(\Lambda, \mu)} = \cap\{F : A \subseteq F \text{ and } F \text{ is } (\Lambda, \mu)\text{-closed}\}$.

(3). If $A \subseteq B$, then $A^{(\Lambda, \mu)} \subseteq B^{(\Lambda, \mu)}$.

(4). A is (Λ, μ) -closed if and only if $A = A^{(\Lambda, \mu)}$.

(5). $A^{(\Lambda, \mu)}$ is (Λ, μ) -closed.

Definition 1.16 ([8]).

(1). A subset A of a GTS (X, μ) is called a Λ_μ -D set if there are two (Λ, μ) -open sets U, V in X such that $U \neq X$ and $A = U - V$. Observe that a (Λ, μ) -open set $A \neq X$ is Λ_μ -D set since $A = U$ and $V = \phi$.

(2). A GTS (X, μ) is Λ_μ -D₀ (resp. Λ_μ -D₁) if for $x, y \in X$ such that $x \neq y$ there exists a Λ_μ -D set of X containing x but not y or (resp. and) a Λ_μ -D set containing y but not x .

(3). A GTS (X, μ) is Λ_μ -D₂ if for $x, y \in X$ such that $x \neq y$ there exist disjoint Λ_μ -D sets G_1 and G_2 such that $x \in G_1$ and $y \in G_2$.

Definition 1.17 ([8]). A GTS (X, μ) satisfies (Λ, μ) -property if for any distinct pair of points in X , there is a (Λ, μ) -open set containing one of the points but not the other.

Remark 1.18 ([7]).

(1). If (X, μ) satisfies (Λ, μ) -property, then (X, μ) is Λ_μ -D₀.

(2). If (X, μ) is Λ_μ -D _{i} , then (X, μ) is Λ_μ -D _{$i-1$} , $i = 1, 2$.

Theorem 1.19 ([8]). For a GTS (X, μ) the following statements are true.

(1). (X, μ) is Λ_μ -D₀ if and only if it satisfies (Λ, μ) -property.

(2). (X, μ) is Λ_μ -D₁ if and only if it is Λ_μ -D₂.

Definition 1.20 ([4]). A GTS (X, μ) is said to be μ -compact if every μ -open cover of X has a finite μ -open subcover.

2. (Λ, μ) -Closed Sets

Definition 2.1. A GTS (X, μ) is said to be μ -Alexandroff space if every point has a minimal neighbourhood or equivalently, has a unique minimal base.

Theorem 2.2. For a GTS (X, μ) , we put $\mu^{\Lambda\mu} = \{A : A \text{ is a } \Lambda_\mu\text{-set of } X\}$. Then the pair $(X, \mu^{\Lambda\mu})$ is an μ -Alexandroff space.

Theorem 2.3. Let A_i ($i \in I$) be a subset of a GTS (X, μ) .

(1). If A_i is (Λ, μ) -closed for each $i \in I$, then $\cap\{A_i \mid i \in I\}$ is (Λ, μ) -closed.

(2). If A_i is (Λ, μ) -open for each $i \in I$, then $\cup\{A_i \mid i \in I\}$ is (Λ, μ) -open.

Proof.

- (1). Suppose that A_i is (Λ, μ) -closed for each $i \in I$. Then, for each i , there exist a Λ_μ -set T_i and an μ -closed set C_i such that $A_i = T_i \cap C_i$. We have $\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i = \bigcap_{i \in I} (T_i \cap C_i) = (\bigcap_{i \in I} T_i) \cap (\bigcap_{i \in I} C_i)$. By Lemma 2.7, $\bigcap_{i \in I} T_i$ is a Λ_μ -set and $\bigcap_{i \in I} C_i$ is a μ -closed. This shows that $\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i$ is (Λ, μ) -closed.
- (2). Let A_i be (Λ, μ) -open for each $i \in I$. Then $X - A_i$ is (Λ, μ) -closed and $X - \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i = \bigcap_{i \in I} (X - A_i)$. Therefore, by (1) $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$ is (Λ, μ) -open. \square

Definition 2.4. Let A be a subset of a GTS (X, μ) . A set $\wedge_\mu^*(A)$ is defined as follows $\wedge_\mu^*(A) = \bigcup\{B : B \cdot \mu_c, B \subseteq A\}$.

Definition 2.5. A subset A of a GTS (X, μ) is called a \wedge_μ^* -set if $A = \wedge_\mu^*(A)$. We obtain the following two lemmas which are similar to Lemma 2.5 and Lemma 2.7.

Lemma 2.6. For subsets A, B and $A_i (i \in I)$ of a GTS (X, μ) , the following properties hold:

- (1). $\wedge_\mu^*(A) \subseteq A$.
- (2). If $A \subseteq B$, then $\wedge_\mu^*(A) \subseteq \wedge_\mu^*(B)$.
- (3). If A is μ -closed, then $\wedge_\mu^*(A) = A$.
- (4). $\wedge_\mu^*(\bigcap\{A_i : i \in I\}) = \bigcap\{\wedge_\mu^*(A_i) : i \in I\}$.
- (5). $\bigcup\{\wedge_\mu^*(A_i) : i \in I\} \subseteq \wedge_\mu^*(\bigcup\{A_i : i \in I\})$.
- (6). $\Lambda_\mu(X - A) = X - \wedge_\mu^*(A)$ and $\wedge_\mu^*(X - A) = X - \Lambda_\mu(A)$.

Lemma 2.7. For subsets A, B and $A_i (i \in I)$ of a GTS (X, μ) , the following properties hold:

- (1). $\wedge_\mu^*(A)$ is a \wedge_μ^* -set.
- (2). If A is μ -closed, then A is a \wedge_μ^* -set.
- (3). If A_i is a \wedge_μ^* -set for each $i \in I$, then $\bigcup\{A_i : i \in I\}$ and $\bigcap\{A_i : i \in I\}$ are \wedge_μ^* -sets.

The following two lemmas are obtained easily from the definitions.

Lemma 2.8. For a subset A of a GTS (X, μ) , the following properties hold:

- (1). A is g_μ -closed if and only if $c_\mu(A) \subseteq \Lambda_\mu(A)$.
- (2). A is μ -closed if and only if A is g_μ -closed and (Λ, μ) -closed.

Lemma 2.9. For a subset A of a GTS (X, μ) , the following properties hold:

- (1). A is g_μ -open if and only if $\wedge_\mu^*(A) \subseteq i_\mu(A)$.
- (2). A is μ -open if and only if A is g_μ -open and (Λ, μ) -open.

Theorem 2.10. Let A be a (Λ, μ) -open subset of a GTS (X, μ) . Then, we have

- (1). $A = T \cup C$, where T is a \wedge_μ^* -set and C is μ -open;
- (2). $A = T \cup i_\mu(A)$, where T is a \wedge_μ^* -set;
- (3). $A = \wedge_\mu^*(A) \cup i_\mu(A)$.

Proof.

- (1). Suppose that A is (Λ, μ) -open. Then $X - A$ is (Λ, μ) -closed and $X - A = K \cap D$, where K is a Λ_μ -set and D is a μ -closed set. Hence, we have $A = (X - K) \cup (X - D)$, where $X - K$ is a Λ_μ^* -set and $X - D$ is μ -open set.
- (2). Since A is an (Λ, μ) -open we have $A = T \cup C$, where T is an Λ_μ^* -set and C is μ -open. Also $C \subseteq A$ and C is μ -open, $C \subseteq i_\mu(A)$ and hence $A = T \cup C \subseteq T \cup i_\mu(A) \subseteq A$. Therefore, we obtain $A = T \cup i_\mu(A)$.
- (3). Since A is an (Λ, μ) -open we have $A = T \cup i_\mu(A)$, where T is a Λ_μ^* -set. Also $T \subseteq A$, we have $\Lambda_\mu^*(A) \supseteq \Lambda_\mu^*(T)$ and hence $A \supseteq \Lambda_\mu^*(A) \cup i_\mu(A) \supseteq \Lambda_\mu^*(T) \cup i_\mu(A) = T \cup i_\mu(A) = A$. Therefore, we obtain $A = \Lambda_\mu^*(A) \cup i_\mu(A)$. \square

Theorem 2.11. *Let (X, μ) be a μ - R_0 space. A singleton $\{x\}$ is (Λ, μ) -closed if and only if $\{x\}$ is μ -closed.*

Proof. Necessity. Suppose that $\{x\}$ is (Λ, μ) -closed. Then, by Theorem 2.9, $\{x\} = \Lambda_\mu(\{x\}) \cap c_\mu(\{x\})$. For any μ -open set U containing x , $c_\mu(\{x\}) \subseteq U$ and hence $c_\mu(\{x\}) \subseteq \Lambda_\mu(\{x\})$. Therefore, we have $\{x\} = \Lambda_\mu(\{x\}) \cap c_\mu(\{x\}) \supseteq c_\mu(\{x\})$. This shows that $\{x\}$ is μ -closed.

Sufficiency. Suppose that $\{x\}$ is μ -closed. Since $\{x\} \subseteq \Lambda_\mu(\{x\})$, we have $\Lambda_\mu(\{x\}) \cap c_\mu(\{x\}) = \Lambda_\mu(\{x\}) \cap \{x\} = \{x\}$. This shows that $\{x\}$ is (Λ, μ) -closed. \square

Theorem 2.12. *A GTS (X, μ) is μ - T_1 if and only if for each $x \in X$, the singleton $\{x\}$ is a Λ_μ -set.*

Proof. Necessity. Suppose that $y \in \Lambda_\mu(\{x\})$ for some point y distinct from x . Then $y \in \cap\{V_x \mid x \in V_x \text{ and } V_x \text{ is } \mu\text{-open}\}$ and hence $y \in V_x$ for every μ -open set V_x containing x . This contradicts that (X, μ) is an μ - T_1 .

Sufficiency. Suppose that $\{x\}$ is a Λ_μ -set for each $x \in X$. Let x and y be any distinct points. Then $y \notin \Lambda_\mu(\{x\})$ and there exists an μ -open set V_x such that $x \in V_x$ and $y \notin V_x$. Similarly, $x \notin \Lambda_\mu(\{y\})$ and there exists an μ -open set V_y such that $y \in V_y$ and $x \notin V_y$. This shows that (X, μ) is μ - T_1 . \square

Theorem 2.13. *A GTS (X, μ) is μ - T_1 if and only if (X, μ^{Λ_μ}) is the discrete space.*

Proof. Necessity. Suppose that (X, μ) is μ - T_1 . Let x be any point of X . By Theorem 3.12, $\{x\}$ is a Λ_μ -set and $\{x\} \in \mu^{\Lambda_\mu}$. For any subset A of X , by Lemma 2.7, $\Lambda_\mu(A) \in \mu^{\Lambda_\mu}$. This shows that (X, μ^{Λ_μ}) is discrete.

Sufficiency. For each $x \in X$, $\{x\} \in \mu^{\Lambda_\mu}$ and hence $\{x\}$ is Λ_μ -set. By Theorem 3.12, (X, μ) is μ - T_1 . \square

Theorem 2.14. *If a function $f : (X, \mu) \rightarrow (Y, \lambda)$ is μ - α -irresolute, then $f : (X, \mu^{\Lambda_\mu}) \rightarrow (Y, \lambda^{\Lambda_\lambda})$ is (μ, λ) -continuous.*

Proof. Let V be any Λ_λ -set of (Y, λ) , i.e. $V \in \lambda^{\Lambda_\lambda}$. Then $V = \Lambda_\lambda(V) = \cap\{W : V \subseteq W \text{ and } W \text{ is } \lambda\text{-}\alpha\text{-open in } (Y, \lambda)\}$. Since f is λ - α -irresolute, $f^{-1}(W)$ is μ - α -open in (X, μ) for each W . Hence we have $f^{-1}(V) = \cap\{f^{-1}(W) : f^{-1}(V) \subseteq f^{-1}(W) \text{ and } W \text{ is } \lambda\text{-}\alpha\text{-open in } (Y, \lambda)\} \supseteq \cap\{U : f^{-1}(V) \subseteq U \text{ and } U \text{ is } \mu\text{-open in } (X, \mu)\} = \Lambda_\mu(f^{-1}(V))$. On the other hand, by the definition $f^{-1}(V) \subseteq \Lambda_\mu(f^{-1}(V))$. Therefore, we obtain $f^{-1}(V) = \Lambda_\mu(f^{-1}(V))$. Hence, $f^{-1}(V) \in \mu^{\Lambda_\mu}$ and $f : (X, \mu) \rightarrow (Y, \lambda)$ is (μ, λ) -continuous. \square

3. (Λ, μ) -Continuous Functions

Definition 3.1. *Let (X, μ) be a GTS, $x \in X$ and $\{x_s, s \in S\}$ be a net of X . We say that the net $\{x_s, s \in S\}$ (Λ, μ) -converges to x if for each (Λ, μ) -open set U containing x there exists an element $s_0 \in S$ such that $s \leq s_0$ implies $x_s \in U$.*

Lemma 3.2. *Let (X, μ) be a GTS and $A \subseteq X$. A point $x \in A^{(\Lambda, \mu)}$ if and only if there exists a net $\{x_s, s \in S\}$ of A which (Λ, μ) -converges to x .*

Definition 3.3. Let (X, μ) be a GTS, $F = \{F_i : i \in I\}$ be a filterbase of X and $x \in X$. We say that the filter base $F(\Lambda, \mu)$ -converges to x if for each (Λ, μ) -open set U containing x there is a member $F_i \in F$ such that $F_i \subseteq U$.

Definition 3.4. A function $f : (X, \mu) \rightarrow (Y, \lambda)$ is called (Λ, μ) -continuous if $f^{-1}(V)$ is a (Λ, μ) -open subset of X for every λ -open subset V of Y .

Theorem 3.5. For a function $f : (X, \mu) \rightarrow (Y, \lambda)$, the following statements are equivalent:

- (1). f is (Λ, μ) -continuous;
- (2). For each $x \in X$ and for each open set V of Y containing $f(x)$ there exists a (Λ, μ) -open set U of X containing x and $f(U) \subseteq V$;
- (3). For each $x \in X$ and each filterbase F which (Λ, μ) -converges to x , $f(F)$ converges to $f(x)$.
- (4). For each $x \in X$ and each net $\{x_s, s \in S\}$ in X which (Λ, μ) -converges to x , the net $\{f(x_s), s \in S\}$ of Y converges to $f(x) \in Y$.

Definition 3.6. A function $f : (X, \mu) \rightarrow (Y, \lambda)$ is called (Λ, μ) -irresolute if $f^{-1}(V)$ is a (Λ, μ) -open subset of X for every (Λ, λ) -open subset V of Y . Now we have the following result with its proof is obvious.

Theorem 3.7. For a function $f : (X, \mu) \rightarrow (Y, \lambda)$, the following statements are equivalent.

- (1). f is (Λ, μ) -irresolute;
- (2). $f^{-1}(B)$ is a (Λ, μ) -closed subset of X for every (Λ, λ) -closed subset B of Y ;
- (3). For each $x \in X$ and for each (Λ, λ) -open set V of Y containing $f(x)$ there exists a (Λ, μ) -open set U of X containing x and $f(U) \subseteq V$;
- (4). $f(A^{(\Lambda, \lambda)}) \subseteq [f(A)]^{(\Lambda, \lambda)}$ for each subset A of X ;
- (5). $[f^{-1}(B)]^{(\Lambda, \lambda)} \subseteq f^{-1}(B^{(\Lambda, \lambda)})$ for each subset B of Y ;
- (6). For each $x \in X$ and each filterbase F which (Λ, μ) -converges to x , $f(F)$ (Λ, λ) -converges to $f(x)$;
- (7). For each $x \in X$ and each net $\{x_s, s \in S\}$ in X which (Λ, μ) -converges to x , we have that the net $\{f(x_s), s \in S\}$ of Y (Λ, λ) -converges to $f(x) \in Y$.

Definition 3.8. A function $f : (X, \mu) \rightarrow (Y, \lambda)$ is called quasi- (Λ, μ) -irresolute if $f^{-1}(V)$ is a (Λ, μ) -open subset of X for every λ - α -open subset V of Y .

Theorem 3.9. For a function $f : (X, \mu) \rightarrow (Y, \lambda)$, the following statements are equivalent.

- (1). f is quasi- (Λ, μ) -irresolute;
- (2). For each $x \in X$ and for each λ -open set V of Y containing $f(x)$ there exists a (Λ, μ) -open set U of X containing x and $f(U) \subseteq V$;
- (3). For each $x \in X$ and each filterbase F which (Λ, μ) -converges to x , $f(F)$ λ -converges to $f(x)$ (that is, for each μ -open set U containing $f(x)$ there is a member $F_i \in F$ such that $F_i \subseteq U$);
- (4). For each $x \in X$ and each net $\{x_s, s \in S\}$ in X which (Λ, μ) -converges to x , the net $\{f(x_s), s \in S\}$ of Y λ -converges to $f(x) \in Y$ (i.e. for each μ -open set U containing $f(x)$ there exists an element $s_0 \in S$ such that $s \geq s_0$ implies $f(x_s) \in U$).

Theorem 3.10. For a function $f : (X, \mu) \rightarrow (Y, \lambda)$, the following statements are true.

- (1). If the function f is (Λ, μ) -irresolute, then the function f is (Λ, μ) -continuous and quasi- (Λ, μ) -irresolute.
- (2). If the function f is quasi- (Λ, μ) -irresolute, then the function f is (Λ, μ) -continuous.
- (3). If the function f is μ -irresolute, then the function f is quasi- (Λ, μ) -irresolute.
- (4). If the function f is μ -continuous, then the function f is (Λ, μ) -continuous.

Example 3.11. Let (X, μ) be a GTS such that $X = \{a, b, c\}$ with $\mu = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$. Also, the family of all Λ_μ^* -sets is $\{\phi, X, \{c\}, \{b\}, \{b, c\}\}$ and the family of all (Λ, μ) -open sets is $\{\phi, X, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$. We consider the function $f : X \rightarrow X$ defined by $f(c) = a$ and $f(a) = f(b) = c$. We have

- (1). f is (Λ, μ) -irresolute, quasi- (Λ, μ) -irresolute and (Λ, μ) -continuous,
- (2). f is not μ -irresolute, since if $x = c$ and $\{a\}$ is the μ -open neighbourhood of $f(c) = a$ in X , then for every μ -open neighbourhood of c in X we have $f(U) \not\subseteq \{a\}$, and
- (3). f is not (α, μ) -continuous and the proof is similar to that of (2).

Example 3.12. Let (X, μ) be a GTS such that $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $\mu = \{\phi, X, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}\}$. Also, the family of all Λ_μ^* -sets is $\{\phi, X, \{c, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, c\}, \{d\}, \{c\}\}$ and the family of all (Λ, μ) -open sets is $\{\phi, X, \{a, b\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{b, c, d\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, c\}, \{c, d\}\}$. We consider the function $f : X \rightarrow X$ defined as follows: $f(a) = d, f(b) = c, f(c) = d$ and $f(d) = a$. The following hold.

- (1). f is not (Λ, μ) -irresolute at the point a since if $\{d\}$ is the (Λ, μ) -open neighbourhood of $f(a) = d$ in X , then $f(U) \not\subseteq \{d\}$ for every (Λ, μ) -open neighbourhood of a in X and
- (2). f is (Λ, μ) -continuous.

4. Λ_μ -D Sets and Associated Separation Axioms

Definition 4.1. A GTS (X, μ) is called Λ_μ - T_1 if for any distinct pair of points x and y in X , there is a (Λ, μ) -open set U in X containing x but not y and a (Λ, μ) -open set V in X containing y but not x .

Definition 4.2. A GTS (X, μ) is called Λ_μ - T_2 if for any distinct pair of points x and y in X , there exist (Λ, μ) -open sets U and V in X containing x and y , respectively, such that $U \cap V = \phi$.

Definition 4.3. A GTS (X, μ) is called μ - α - R_0 if for each μ - α -open set U and each $x \in U$, $C_\alpha(x) \subseteq U$.

Definition 4.4. A GTS (X, μ) is called sober $(\mu$ - α)- R_0 if $\bigcap_{x \in X} C_\mu(\{x\}) = \phi$.

Example 4.5. Let (X, μ) be a GTS such that $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\mu = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$. Clearly, the singletons $\{a\}, \{b\}$ and $\{c\}$ are Λ_μ -D sets. Now we have

- (1). (X, μ) is Λ_μ - T_i , $i = 0, 1, 2$,
- (2). (X, μ) is Λ_μ - D_i , $i = 0, 1, 2$, and
- (3). (X, μ) is not μ - R_0 .

Example 4.6. Let (X, μ) be a GTS such that $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $\mu = \{\phi, X, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}\}$. The singletons $\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}$ and $\{d\}$ are Λ_μ -D sets. We have

- (1). (X, μ) is not μ - T_i , $i = 1, 2$, but satisfies (Λ, μ) -property,
- (2). (X, μ) is Λ_μ - T_i , $i = 1, 2$, and
- (3). (X, μ) is Λ_μ - D_i , $i = 0, 1, 2$.

Example 4.7. Let (X, μ) be a GTS such that $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $\mu = \{\phi, X, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}\}$. The family of Λ_μ^* -sets is $\{\phi, X, \{c, d\}, \{d\}, \{c\}\}$ and the family of (Λ, μ) -open sets is $\{\phi, X, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, b\}, \{c, d\}, \{d\}, \{c\}\}$. So, we have

- (1). (X, μ) is not Λ_μ - D_i , $i = 0, 1, 2$,
- (2). (X, μ) is not μ - R_0 and μ - R_1 and
- (3). (X, μ) is sober (μ - α)- R_0 (i.e., $\bigcap_{x \in X} c_\mu(\{x\}) = \phi$).

Theorem 4.8. A GTS (X, μ) satisfies (Λ, μ) -property if and only if for each pair of distinct points x, y of X , $\{x\}^{(\Lambda, \mu)} \neq \{y\}^{(\Lambda, \mu)}$.

Proof. Sufficiency. Suppose that $x, y \in X$, $x \neq y$ and $\{x\}^{(\Lambda, \mu)} \neq \{y\}^{(\Lambda, \mu)}$. Let z be a point of X such that $z \in \{x\}^{(\Lambda, \mu)}$ but $z \notin \{y\}^{(\Lambda, \mu)}$. We claim that $x \notin \{y\}^{(\Lambda, \mu)}$. For, if $x \in \{y\}^{(\Lambda, \mu)}$ then $\{x\}^{(\Lambda, \mu)} \subseteq \{y\}^{(\Lambda, \mu)}$. This contradicts the fact that $z \notin \{y\}^{(\Lambda, \mu)}$. Consequently x belongs to the (Λ, μ) -open set $[\{y\}^{(\Lambda, \mu)}]^c$ to which y does not belong.

Necessity. Let (X, μ) satisfies (Λ, μ) -property and x, y be any two distinct points of X . There exists a (Λ, μ) -open set G containing x or y , say x but not y . Then G^c is a (Λ, μ) -closed set which does not contain x but contains y . Since $\{y\}^{(\Lambda, \mu)}$ is the smallest (Λ, μ) -closed set containing y (Lemma 2.15(2)), $\{y\}^{(\Lambda, \mu)} \subseteq G^c$ and so $x \notin \{y\}^{(\Lambda, \mu)}$. Therefore $\{x\}^{(\Lambda, \mu)} \neq \{y\}^{(\Lambda, \mu)}$. \square

Theorem 4.9. A GTS (X, μ) is Λ_μ - T_1 if and only if the singletons are (Λ, μ) -closed sets.

Proof. Suppose (X, μ) is Λ_μ - T_1 and x be any point of X . Let $y \in \{x\}^c$. Then $x \neq y$ and so there exists a (Λ, μ) -open set U_y such that $y \in U_y$ but $x \notin U_y$. Consequently $y \in U_y \subseteq \{x\}^c$ i.e., $\{x\}^c = \bigcup \{U_y \mid y \in \{x\}^c\}$ which is (Λ, μ) -open.

To prove the converse, suppose $\{p\}$ is (Λ, μ) -closed for every $p \in X$. Let $x, y \in X$ with $x \neq y$. Now $x \neq y$ implies $y \in \{x\}^c$. Hence $\{x\}^c$ is a (Λ, μ) -open set containing y but not containing x . Similarly $\{y\}^c$ is a (Λ, μ) -open set containing x but not containing y . This means that X is a Λ_μ - T_1 space. \square

Theorem 4.10. If $f: (X, \mu) \rightarrow (Y, \lambda)$ is a (Λ, μ) -irresolute surjective function and E is a Λ_μ -D set in Y , then the inverse image of E is a Λ_μ -D set in X .

Proof. Let E be a Λ_μ -D set in Y . Then there are (Λ, μ) -open sets U_1 and U_2 in Y such that $S = U_1 - U_2$ and $U_1 \neq Y$. By the (Λ, μ) -irresoluteness of f , $f^{-1}(U_1)$ and $f^{-1}(U_2)$ are (Λ, μ) -open in X . Since $U_1 \neq Y$, we have $f^{-1}(U_1) \neq X$. Hence $f^{-1}(E) = f^{-1}(U_1) - f^{-1}(U_2)$ is a Λ_μ -D set in X . \square

Theorem 4.11. If (Y, λ) is Λ_λ - D_1 and $f: (X, \mu) \rightarrow (Y, \lambda)$ is (Λ, μ) -irresolute and bijective, then (X, μ) is Λ_λ - D_1 .

Proof. Suppose that Y is a Λ_λ - D_1 space. Let x and y be any pair of distinct points in X . Since f is injective and Y is Λ_λ - D_1 , there exist Λ_λ -D sets G_x and G_y of Y containing $f(x)$ and $f(y)$ respectively, such that $f(y) \notin G_x$ and $f(x) \notin G_y$. By Theorem 5.10, $f^{-1}(G_x)$ and $f^{-1}(G_y)$ are Λ_λ -D sets in X containing x and y respectively. This implies that X is a Λ_λ - D_1 space. \square

Theorem 4.12. A GTS (X, μ) is Λ_μ - D_1 if and only if for each pair of distinct points $x, y \in X$, there exists a (Λ, μ) -irresolute surjective function $f : (X, \mu) \rightarrow (Y, \lambda)$, where Y is a Λ_λ - D_1 space such that $f(x)$ and $f(y)$ are distinct.

Proof. Necessity. For every pair of distinct points of X , it suffices to take the identity function on X .

Sufficiency. Let x and y be any pair of distinct points in X . By hypothesis, there exists a (Λ, μ) -irresolute, surjective function f of a space X onto a Λ_λ - D_1 space Y such that $f(x) \neq f(y)$. Therefore, there exist disjoint Λ_μ - D sets G_x and G_y in Y such that $f(x) \in G_x$ and $f(y) \in G_y$. Since f is (Λ, μ) -irresolute and surjective, by Theorem 5.10, $f^{-1}(G_x)$ and $f^{-1}(G_y)$ are disjoint Λ_μ - D sets in X containing x and y , respectively. Hence by Theorem 2.21(2) X is Λ_μ - D_1 space. \square

5. (Λ, μ) -Compactness and (Λ, μ) -Connectedness

Definition 5.1. A GTS (X, μ) is said to be (Λ, μ) -compact if every cover of X by (Λ, μ) -open sets of (X, μ) has a finite subcover.

Theorem 5.2. A GTS (X, μ) is (Λ, μ) -compact if and only if for every family $\{A_i : i \in I\}$ of (Λ, μ) -closed sets in X satisfying $\bigcap \{A_i : i \in I\} = \phi$, there is a finite subfamily A_{i_1}, \dots, A_{i_n} with $\bigcap \{A_{i_k} : k = 1, \dots, n\} = \phi$.

Theorem 5.3. For a GTS (X, μ) , the following properties hold.

- (1). If (X, μ^{Λ_μ}) is compact, then (X, μ) is μ -compact.
- (2). If (X, μ) is (Λ, μ) -compact, then (X, μ) is μ -compact.
- (3). If (X, μ) is (Λ, μ) -compact, then (X, \wedge_μ^*) is compact.

Proof.

- (1). Let $\{V_\mu : \mu \in \nabla\}$ be any μ -open cover of X . By Lemma 2.7, every μ -open V_μ is a Λ_μ -set for each $\mu \in \nabla$. Moreover, by the compactness of (X, μ^{Λ_μ}) there exists a finite subset ∇_0 of ∇ such that $X = \bigcup \{V_\mu \mid \mu \in \nabla_0\}$. This shows that (X, μ) is μ -compact.
- (2). Let $\{F_\mu \mid \mu \in \nabla\}$ be a family of μ -closed sets of (X, μ) such that $\bigcap \{F_\mu \mid \mu \in \nabla\} = \phi$. Every μ -closed is (Λ, μ) -closed for each $\mu \in \nabla$. By Theorem 6.2, there exists a finite subset ∇_0 of ∇ such that $\bigcap \{F_\mu \mid \mu \in \nabla_0\} = \phi$. It follows from [[2], Theorem 2.17] that (X, μ) is μ -compact.
- (3). Let $\{V_\mu \mid \mu \in \nabla\}$ be a cover of X by \wedge_μ^* -sets of (X, μ) . Since $V_\mu = V_\mu \cup \phi$ and the empty set is μ -open, by Lemma 2.7 each V_μ is (Λ, μ) -open in (X, μ) . Since (X, μ) is (Λ, μ) -compact, there exists a finite subset ∇_0 of ∇ such that $X = \bigcup \{V_\mu \mid \mu \in \nabla_0\}$. This shows that (X, \wedge_μ^*) is compact. \square

Corollary 5.4. If (X, μ) is (Λ, μ) -compact, then (X, μ) is compact.

The following example shows that the converse of Corollary 6.4 does not hold.

Example 5.5. Let I be an infinite space and let (X, μ) be a GTS such that $X = \{a\} \cup \{a_i : i \in I\}$ and $\mu = \{\phi, X, \{a\}\}$. Clearly, the space (X, μ) is compact but it is not (Λ, μ) -compact.

Theorem 5.6. If $f : (X, \mu) \rightarrow (Y, \lambda)$ is a (Λ, μ) -irresolute surjection and (X, μ) is a (Λ, μ) -compact space, then (Y, λ) is (Λ, λ) -compact.

Proof. Let $\{V_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \nabla\}$ be any cover of Y by (Λ, λ) -open sets of (Y, λ) . Since f is (Λ, μ) -irresolute, by Theorem 5.8 $\{f^{-1}(V_\mu) \mid \mu \in \nabla\}$ is a cover of X by (Λ, μ) -open sets of (X, μ) . Thus, there exists a finite subset ∇_0 of ∇ such that $X = \cup\{f^{-1}(V_\mu) \mid \mu \in \nabla_0\}$. Since f is surjective, we obtain $Y = f(X) = \cup\{V_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \nabla_0\}$. This shows that (Y, λ) is (Λ, λ) -compact. □

Definition 5.7. A GTS (X, μ) is called (Λ, μ) -connected (resp. μ - α -connected) if X cannot be written as a disjoint union of two non-empty (Λ, μ) -open (resp. μ - α -open) sets.

The proof of the following theorem is straightforward and therefore is omitted.

Theorem 5.8. Every (Λ, μ) -connected space is μ - α -connected space.

The following example shows that μ -connectedness does not imply (Λ, μ) -connectedness.

Example 5.9. Let (X, μ) be a GTS such that $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\mu = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$. We have

- (1). (X, μ) is μ -connected and μ - α -connected, and
- (2). (X, μ) is not (Λ, μ) -connected.

Theorem 5.10. For a GTS (X, μ) , the following statements are equivalent.

- (1). (X, μ) is (Λ, μ) -connected;
- (2). The only subsets of X , which are both (Λ, μ) -open and (Λ, μ) -closed are the empty set ϕ and X .

Theorem 5.11. If a GTS (X, μ) is (Λ, μ) -connected, then $(X, \mu^{\Lambda\mu})$ is connected.

Proof. Suppose that $(X, \mu^{\Lambda\mu})$ is not connected. There exist nonempty Λ_{μ} -sets G, H of (X, μ) such that $G \cap H = \phi$ and $G \cup H = X$. By Lemma 2.10, G and H are (Λ, μ) -closed sets. This shows that (X, μ) is not (Λ, μ) -connected. □

Theorem 5.12. If $f : (X, \mu) \rightarrow (Y, \lambda)$ is a (Λ, μ) -irresolute surjection and (X, μ) is (Λ, μ) -connected, then (Y, λ) is (Λ, λ) -connected.

Proof. Suppose that (Y, λ) is not (Λ, λ) -connected. There exist nonempty (Λ, λ) -open sets G, H of Y such that $G \cap H = \phi$ and $G \cup H = Y$. Then we have $f^{-1}(G) \cap f^{-1}(H) = \phi$ and $f^{-1}(G) \cup f^{-1}(H) = X$. Moreover, $f^{-1}(G)$ and $f^{-1}(H)$ are nonempty (Λ, μ) -open sets of (X, μ) . This shows that (X, μ) is not (Λ, μ) -connected. Therefore, (Y, λ) is (Λ, λ) -connected. □

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