



## Characterizations of Weakly Contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous Functions

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**Abstract.** This paper presents a new class of functions called weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous functions. Moreover, several characterizations and some properties concerning weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous functions are established.

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### 1. Introduction

It is well-known that the branch of mathematics called topology is concerned with all questions directly or indirectly related to continuity. Stronger and weaker forms of open sets play an important role in the generalization of different forms of continuity. Using different forms of open sets, many authors have introduced and studied various types of continuity for functions. In [1], the present authors investigated several characterizations of  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -continuous functions by utilizing the notions of  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -open sets and  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -closed sets due to Boonpok and Khampakdee [2]. Dungthaisong et al. [3] introduced and investigated the concept of  $g_{(m,n)}$ -continuous functions. Duangphui et al. [4] introduced and studied the notion of  $(\mu, \mu')^{(m,n)}$ -continuous functions. Furthermore, several characterizations of almost  $(\Lambda, p)$ -continuous functions, strongly  $\theta(\Lambda, p)$ -continuous functions, almost strongly  $\theta(\Lambda, p)$ -continuous functions,  $\theta(\Lambda, p)$ -continuous functions, weakly  $(\Lambda, b)$ -continuous functions,  $\theta(\star)$ -precontinuous functions,  $(\Lambda, p(\star))$ -continuous functions,  $\star$ -continuous functions,  $\theta$ - $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous functions, almost  $(g, m)$ -continuous functions, pairwise almost  $M$ -continuous functions, faintly  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous functions,  $\delta(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous functions and almost nearly  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous functions were presented in [5],

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[6], [7], [8], [9], [10], [11], [12], [13], [14], [15], [16], [17] and [18], respectively. In 1996, Dontchev [19] introduced the notion of contra-continuous functions. Jafari and Noiri [20] introduced and investigated the concept of contra-precontinuous functions. Moreover, Jafari and Noiri [21] introduced and studied the notion of contra- $\alpha$ -continuous functions. In 1999, Dontchev and Noiri [22] introduced and investigated the concept of contra-semicontinuous functions. Caldas and Jafari [23] studied some properties of contra- $\beta$ -continuous functions. In 2007, Baker [24] introduced and investigated the notion of weakly contra-continuous functions. Baker [25] introduced and studied the concept of weakly contra  $\beta$ -continuous functions. Noiri and Popa [26] introduced the notion of contra- $m$ -continuous functions as functions from a set satisfying some minimal conditions into a topological space and investigated some characterizations and the relationships between contra- $m$ -continuity and other related generalized forms of continuity. In 2011, Noiri and Popa [27] introduced a new class of functions called weakly contra- $m$ -continuous functions as functions from a set satisfying some minimal conditions into a topological space and obtained some characterizations and several properties of such functions. It turns out that the weak contra- $m$ -continuity is a unified form of several modifications of weak contra-continuity due to Baker [24]. On the other hand, the present authors introduced and studied the concepts of  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous functions [28], almost  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous functions [29], weakly  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous functions [30], quasi  $\theta(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous functions [31], almost quasi  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous functions [32], weakly quasi  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous functions [33], almost weakly  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous functions [34] and almost contra- $(\Lambda, sp)$ -continuous functions [35]. In this paper, we introduce the concept of weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous functions. We also investigate some characterizations of weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous functions.

## 2. Preliminaries

Throughout the present paper, spaces  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  and  $(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  (or simply  $X$  and  $Y$ ) always mean bitopological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed unless explicitly stated. Let  $A$  be a subset of a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ . The closure of  $A$  and the interior of  $A$  with respect to  $\tau_i$  are denoted by  $\tau_i\text{-Cl}(A)$  and  $\tau_i\text{-Int}(A)$ , respectively, for  $i = 1, 2$ . A subset  $A$  of a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is called  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closed [36] if  $A = \tau_1\text{-Cl}(\tau_2\text{-Cl}(A))$ . The complement of a  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closed set is called  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -open. The intersection of all  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closed sets of  $X$  containing  $A$  is called the  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closure [36] of  $A$  and is denoted by  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(A)$ . The union of all  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -open sets of  $X$  contained in  $A$  is called the  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -interior [36] of  $A$  and is denoted by  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Int}(A)$ .

**Lemma 1.** [36] *Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ . For the  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closure, the following properties hold:*

- (1)  $A \subseteq \tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(A)$  and  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(A)) = \tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(A)$ .
- (2) If  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(A) \subseteq \tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(B)$ .
- (3)  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(A)$  is  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closed.

(4)  $A$  is  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closed if and only if  $A = \tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(A)$ .

(5)  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(X - A) = X - \tau_1\tau_2\text{-Int}(A)$ .

A subset  $A$  of a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is called  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)r$ -open [37] (resp.  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)s$ -open [38],  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)p$ -open [38],  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)\beta$ -open [38]) if  $A = \tau_1\tau_2\text{-Int}(\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(A))$  (resp.  $A \subseteq \tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Int}(A))$ ,  $A \subseteq \tau_1\tau_2\text{-Int}(\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(A))$ ,  $A \subseteq \tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Int}(\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(A)))$ ). The complement of a  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)r$ -open (resp.  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)s$ -open,  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)p$ -open,  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)\beta$ -open) set is said to be  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)r$ -closed (resp.  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)s$ -closed,  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)p$ -closed,  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)\beta$ -closed). A subset  $A$  of a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is said to be  $\alpha(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -open [39] if  $A \subseteq \tau_1\tau_2\text{-Int}(\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Int}(A)))$ . The complement of an  $\alpha(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -open set is said to be  $\alpha(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -closed. Let  $A$  be a subset of a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ . The set

$$\cap\{G \mid A \subseteq G \text{ and } G \text{ is } \tau_1\tau_2\text{-open}\}$$

is called the  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -kernel [36] of  $A$  and is denoted by  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-ker}(A)$ .

**Lemma 2.** [36] For subsets  $A, B$  of a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ , the following properties hold:

(1)  $A \subseteq \tau_1\tau_2\text{-ker}(A)$ .

(2) If  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-ker}(A) \subseteq \tau_1\tau_2\text{-ker}(B)$ .

(3) If  $A$  is  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -open, then  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-ker}(A) = A$ .

(4)  $x \in \tau_1\tau_2\text{-ker}(A)$  if and only if  $A \cap H \neq \emptyset$  for every  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closed set  $H$  containing  $x$ .

Let  $A$  be a subset of a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ . The intersection of all  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)p$ -closed sets of  $X$  containing  $A$  is called the  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)p$ -closure [40] of  $A$  and is denoted by  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)\text{-pCl}(A)$ . The union of all  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)p$ -open sets of  $X$  contained in  $A$  is called the  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)p$ -interior [40] of  $A$  and is denoted by  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)\text{-pInt}(A)$ .

**Lemma 3.** For a subset  $A$  of a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ , the following properties hold:

(1)  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)\text{-pCl}(A) = \tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Int}(A)) \cup A$  [40];

(2)  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)\text{-pInt}(A) = \tau_1\tau_2\text{-Int}(\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(A)) \cap A$  [34].

### 3. Characterizations of weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous functions

In this section, we introduce the concept of weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous functions. Furthermore, several characterizations of weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous functions are discussed.

**Definition 1.** A function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is said to be weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous if for each  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -open set  $V$  of  $Y$  and each  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -closed set  $K$  of  $Y$  such that  $K \subseteq V$ ,  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(K)) \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$ .

**Definition 2.** [41] A function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is said to be contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closed in  $X$  for every  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -open set  $V$  of  $Y$ .

**Lemma 4.** [41] For a function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ , the following properties are equivalent:

- (1)  $f$  is contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous;
- (2)  $f^{-1}(K)$  is  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -open in  $X$  for every  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -closed set  $K$  of  $Y$ ;
- (3) for each  $x \in X$  and each  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -closed set  $K$  of  $Y$  containing  $f(x)$ , there exists a  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -open set  $U$  of  $X$  containing  $x$  such that  $f(U) \subseteq K$ ;
- (4)  $f(\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(A)) \subseteq \sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-ker}(f(A))$  for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ ;
- (5)  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(\sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-ker}(B))$  for every subset  $B$  of  $Y$ .

**Theorem 1.** If a function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous, then  $f$  is weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous.

*Proof.* Let  $V$  be any  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -open set of  $Y$  and  $K$  be any  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -closed set of  $Y$  such that  $K \subseteq V$ . Since  $f$  is contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous, by Lemma 4 we have  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closed in  $X$  and hence  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(K)) \subseteq \tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(V)) = f^{-1}(V)$ . This shows that  $f$  is weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous.

**Definition 3.** [28] A function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is called  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous at a point  $x \in X$  if for each  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -open set  $V$  of  $Y$  containing  $f(x)$ , there exists a  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -open set  $U$  of  $X$  containing  $x$  such that  $f(U) \subseteq V$ . A function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is called  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous if  $f$  has this property at each point of  $X$ .

**Lemma 5.** [28] For a function  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ , the following properties are equivalent:

- (1)  $f$  is  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous;
- (2)  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -open in  $X$  for every  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -open set  $V$  of  $Y$ ;
- (3)  $f(\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(A)) \subseteq \sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Cl}(f(A))$  for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ ;
- (4)  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(\sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Cl}(B))$  for every subset  $B$  of  $Y$ ;
- (5)  $f^{-1}(\sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Int}(B)) \subseteq \tau_1\tau_2\text{-Int}(f^{-1}(B))$  for every subset  $B$  of  $Y$ ;
- (6)  $f^{-1}(K)$  is  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closed in  $X$  for every  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -closed set  $K$  of  $Y$ .

**Theorem 2.** If a function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous, then  $f$  is weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous.

*Proof.* Let  $V$  be any  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -open set of  $Y$  and  $K$  be any  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -closed set of  $Y$  such that  $K \subseteq V$ . Since  $f$  is  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous, by Lemma 5 we have  $f^{-1}(K)$  is  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closed in  $X$  and so  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(K)) = f^{-1}(K) \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$ . Thus,  $f$  is weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous.

**Definition 4.** [42] A function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is said to be slightly  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous if for each  $x \in X$  and each  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -clopen set  $V$  of  $Y$  containing  $f(x)$ , there exists a  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -open set  $U$  of  $X$  containing  $x$  such that  $f(U) \subseteq V$ .

**Lemma 6.** [42] For a function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ , the following properties are equivalent:

- (1)  $f$  is slightly  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous;
- (2)  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -open in  $X$  for each  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -clopen set  $V$  of  $Y$ ;
- (3)  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closed in  $X$  for each  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -clopen set  $V$  of  $Y$ ;
- (4)  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -clopen in  $X$  for each  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -clopen set  $V$  of  $Y$ .

**Theorem 3.** If a function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous, then  $f$  is slightly  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous.

*Proof.* Let  $V$  be any  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -clopen set of  $Y$ . If we put  $K = V$ , then by the weak contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuity we have  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(V)) \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$  and hence  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closed in  $X$ . It follows from Lemma 6 that  $f$  is slightly  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous.

**Definition 5.** [30] A function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is said to be weakly  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous at a point  $x \in X$  if for each  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -open set  $V$  of  $Y$  containing  $f(x)$ , there exists a  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -open set  $U$  of  $X$  containing  $x$  such that  $f(U) \subseteq \sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Cl}(V)$ . A function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is said to be weakly  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous if  $f$  has this property at each point of  $X$ .

**Lemma 7.** [30] For a function  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ , the following properties are equivalent:

- (1)  $f$  is weakly  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous;
- (2)  $f^{-1}(V) \subseteq \tau_1\tau_2\text{-Int}(f^{-1}(\sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Cl}(V)))$  for every  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -open set  $V$  of  $Y$ ;
- (3)  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(\sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Int}(K))) \subseteq f^{-1}(K)$  for every  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -closed set  $K$  of  $Y$ ;
- (4)  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(\sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Int}(\sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Cl}(B)))) \subseteq f^{-1}(\sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Cl}(B))$  for every subset  $B$  of  $Y$ ;
- (5)  $f^{-1}(\sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Int}(B)) \subseteq \tau_1\tau_2\text{-Int}(f^{-1}(\sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Cl}(\sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Int}(B))))$  for every subset  $B$  of  $Y$ ;
- (6)  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(V)) \subseteq f^{-1}(\sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Cl}(V))$  for every  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -open set  $V$  of  $Y$ .

**Definition 6.** [39] A bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is said to be  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -extremally disconnected if the  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closure of every  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -open set  $U$  of  $X$  is  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -open.

**Theorem 4.** *If  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous and  $(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is  $(\sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ -extremally disconnected, then  $f$  is weakly  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous.*

*Proof.* Let  $V$  be any  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -open set of  $Y$ . Since  $(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is  $(\sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ -extremally disconnected,  $\sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Cl}(V)$  is  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -open. Since  $f$  weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous,

$$\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(V)) \subseteq \tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(\sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Cl}(V))) \subseteq f^{-1}(\sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Cl}(V)).$$

Thus,  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(V)) \subseteq f^{-1}(\sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Cl}(V))$  for every  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -open set  $V$  of  $Y$ . It follows from Lemma 7 that  $f$  is weakly  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous.

Recall that a subset  $A$  of a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is said to be *generalized  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -closed* (briefly,  *$g$ - $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -closed*) [43] if  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -open.

**Definition 7.** *A function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is said to be  $g$ - $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous if  $f^{-1}(K)$  is  $g$ - $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -closed in  $X$  for every  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -closed set  $K$  of  $Y$ .*

**Definition 8.** *A function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is said to be approximately  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous if  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(K) \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$  whenever  $V$  is  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -open in  $Y$  and  $K$  is  $g$ - $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -closed in  $X$  such that  $K \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$ .*

**Theorem 5.** *If  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is  $g$ - $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous and approximately  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous, then  $f$  is weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous.*

*Proof.* Let  $V$  be any  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -open set of  $Y$  and  $K$  be any  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -closed set of  $Y$  such that  $K \subseteq V$ . Since  $f$  is  $g$ - $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous,  $f^{-1}(K)$  is  $g$ - $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -closed in  $X$ . Since  $f^{-1}(K) \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$  and  $f$  is approximately  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous,  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(K) \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$ . This shows that  $f$  is weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous.

**Theorem 6.** *If  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous and  $f(K)$  is  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -closed in  $Y$  for every  $g$ - $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -closed set  $K$  of  $X$ , then  $f$  is approximately  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous.*

*Proof.* Let  $V$  be any  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -open set of  $Y$  and  $K$  be any  $g$ - $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -closed set of  $X$  such that  $K \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$ . Then,  $f(K)$  is  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -closed and  $f(K) \subseteq V$ . Since  $f$  is weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous,  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(f(K))) \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$  and hence  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(K) \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$ . This shows that  $f$  is approximately  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous.

Recall that a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is said to be  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -compact [36] if every cover of  $X$  by  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -open sets of  $X$  has a finite subcover.

**Definition 9.** [41] *A bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is said to be strongly  $S$ - $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closed if every cover of  $X$  by  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closed sets of  $X$  has a finite subcover.*

**Definition 10.** *A bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is called a  $\mathcal{C}$ - $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -space if for every  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -open set  $U$  of  $X$  and each  $x \in U$ , there exists a  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closed set  $F$  of  $X$  such that  $x \in F \subseteq U$ .*

**Theorem 7.** *Let  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  be a weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous function and  $(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  be a  $\mathcal{C}$ - $(\sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ -space. If  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is strongly  $S$ - $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closed, then  $f(X)$  is  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -compact.*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is strongly  $S$ - $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closed. Let  $\{V_\gamma \in \nabla\}$  be any cover of  $f(X)$  by  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -open sets of  $Y$ . For each  $x \in X$ , there exists  $\gamma(x) \in \nabla$  such that  $f(x) \in V_{\gamma(x)}$ . Since  $(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  be a  $\mathcal{C}$ - $(\sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ -space, there exists a  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -closed set  $F_{\gamma(x)}$  of  $Y$  such that  $f(x) \in F_{\gamma(x)} \subseteq V_{\gamma(x)}$ . Since  $f$  is weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous,  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(F_{\gamma(x)})) \subseteq f^{-1}(V_{\gamma(x)})$ . The family  $\{\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(F_{\gamma(x)})) \mid x \in X\}$  is a  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closed cover of  $X$ . Since  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is strongly  $S$ - $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closed, there exists a finite number of points, say,  $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n$  in  $X$  such that

$$X = \cup\{\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(F_{\gamma(x_k)})) \mid x_k \in X; 1 \leq k \leq n\}.$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} f(X) &= \cup\{f(\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(F_{\gamma(x_k)}))) \mid x_k \in X; 1 \leq k \leq n\} \\ &\subseteq \cup\{V_{\gamma(x_k)} \mid x_k \in X; 1 \leq k \leq n\}. \end{aligned}$$

This shows that  $f(X)$  is  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -compact.

**Definition 11.** [44] *A bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is said to be  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ - $T_1$  if for any pair of distinct points  $x, y$  in  $X$ , there exist  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -open sets  $U$  and  $V$  such that  $x \in U$ ,  $y \notin U$  and  $y \in V$ ,  $x \notin V$ .*

**Lemma 8.** [44] *For a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ , the following properties are equivalent:*

- (1)  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ - $T_1$ ;
- (2) for each  $x \in X$ , the singleton  $\{x\}$  is  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closed in  $X$ ;
- (3) for each  $x \in X$ , the singleton  $\{x\}$  is a  $\Lambda_{(\tau_1, \tau_2)}$ -set.

**Theorem 8.** *If  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is a weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous injection and  $(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is  $(\sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ - $T_1$ ,  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ - $T_1$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $x$  and  $x'$  be any distinct points of  $X$ . Since  $f$  is injective,  $f(x) \neq f(x')$ . Moreover, since  $(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is  $(\sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ - $T_1$ , there exists a  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -open set  $V$  of  $Y$  such that  $f(x) \in V$  and  $f(x') \notin V$ . By Lemma 8,  $\{f(x)\}$  is  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -closed in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous,  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(\{f(x)\})) \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$ . Since  $x' \notin f^{-1}(V)$ , we have  $x' \notin \tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(\{f(x)\}))$ . Then by Lemma 1,  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(\{f(x)\}))$  is  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closed and hence  $X - \tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(\{f(x)\}))$  is a  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -open set of  $X$  containing  $x'$  but not  $x$ . This shows that  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ - $T_1$ .

**Definition 12.** *A function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is said to have a contra- $\mathcal{C}$ -closed graph if for each  $(x, y) \in (X \times Y) - G(f)$ , there exist a  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closed set  $F$  of  $X$  containing  $x$  and a  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -closed set  $F'$  of  $Y$  containing  $y$  such that  $(F \times F') \cap G(f) = \emptyset$ .*

**Theorem 9.** *If  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous and  $(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is  $(\sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ - $T_1$ , then  $G(f)$  is contra- $\mathcal{C}$ -closed.*

*Proof.* Let  $(x, y) \in (X \times Y) - G(f)$ . Then,  $y \neq f(x)$ . Since  $(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is  $(\sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ - $T_1$ , there exists a  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -open set  $V$  of  $Y$  such that  $y \notin V$  and  $f(x) \notin V$ . By Lemma 8, we have  $\{f(x)\}$  is  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -closed in  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous,  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(\{f(x)\})) \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$  and hence

$$(x, y) \in \tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(\{f(x)\})) \times (Y - V) \subseteq (X \times Y) - G(f).$$

This shows that  $G(f)$  is contra- $\mathcal{C}$ -closed.

**Definition 13.** *A function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is said to have a contra- $\mathcal{C}_R$ -closed graph if for each  $(x, y) \in (X \times Y) - G(f)$ , there exist a  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -closed set  $F$  of  $X$  containing  $x$  and a  $(\sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ - $r$ -closed set  $F'$  of  $Y$  containing  $y$  such that  $(F \times F') \cap G(f) = \emptyset$ .*

**Definition 14.** [45] *A bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is said to be  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -Urysohn if for each pair of distinct points  $x$  and  $y$  in  $X$ , there exist  $\tau_1\tau_2$ -open sets  $U$  and  $V$  such that  $x \in U$ ,  $y \in V$  and  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(U) \cap \tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(V) = \emptyset$ .*

**Theorem 10.** *If  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous and  $(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -Urysohn, then  $G(f)$  is contra- $\mathcal{C}_R$ -closed.*

*Proof.* Let  $(x, y) \in (X \times Y) - G(f)$ . Then,  $y \neq f(x)$ . Since  $(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -Urysohn, there exist  $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ -open sets  $V$  and  $W$  of  $Y$  containing  $y$  and  $f(x)$ , respectively, such that  $\sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Cl}(V) \cap \sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Cl}(W) = \emptyset$ ; hence  $\sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Cl}(V) \subseteq Y - \sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Cl}(W)$ . Since  $f$  is weakly contra- $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -continuous,  $\tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(\sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Cl}(V))) \subseteq f^{-1}(Y - \sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Cl}(W))$ . Thus,  $(x, y) \in \tau_1\tau_2\text{-Cl}(f^{-1}(\sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Cl}(V))) \times \sigma_1\sigma_2\text{-Cl}(W) \subseteq (X \times Y) - G(f)$  and hence  $G(f)$  is contra- $\mathcal{C}_R$ -closed.

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