

Some characterization of rarely ω -continuous functions

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Abstract. The notion of rare continuity was introduced by Popa [15]. In this present paper, we introduce a new class of functions, called rarely ω -continuous function via ω -open sets and we investigate several properties of this function.

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1. Introduction

Throughout the present paper, (X, τ) or X will denote a topological space and $Cl(A)$ (resp. $Int(A)$) will denote the closure (resp. interior) of a subset A of X . A subset A of X is said to be regular open (resp. regular closed) if $A = Int(Cl(A))$ (resp. $A = Cl(Int(A))$). We denote by $Ro(X)$ (resp. $Rc(X)$) the family of all regular open (resp. regular closed) sets in a space (X, τ) . Let (X, τ) be a space and A a subset of X . A point $x \in X$ is called a condensation point of A if for each $U \in \tau$ with $x \in U$, the set $U \cap A$ is uncountable. A set A is said to be ω -closed [9] if it contains all its condensation points [8]. The complement of an ω -closed set is said to be ω -open. It is well known that a subset W of a space (X, τ) is ω -open if and only if for each $x \in W$, there exists $U \in \tau$ such that $x \in U$ and $U - W$ is countable. The family of all ω -open sets of a space (X, τ) , denoted by τ_ω or $\omega O(X)$, forms a topology on X finer than τ . The ω -closure and ω -interior, that can be defined in the same way as $Cl(A)$ and $Int(A)$, respectively, will be denoted by $Cl_\omega(A)$ and $Int_\omega(A)$, respectively. Recently papers [1–7] have introduced some new classes of ω -open set. A subset A of X is called a dense set if and only if the intersection of every non-empty

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open set with A is non-empty, that is, $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$ for all non-empty open $U \in \tau$. A subset A of X is called a rare set in X if and only if $\text{Int}(A) = \emptyset$ that is, if $X - A$ is a dense set.

Example 1.1. Let (\mathbb{R}, τ) be the real numbers with the left-ray topology, i.e. $\tau = \{(-\infty, a) : a \in \mathbb{R}\} \cup \{\mathbb{R}, \emptyset\}$. Let $A = [0, 1]$, since $\text{Int}(A) = \emptyset$, then A is a rare set in \mathbb{R} .

For a point $x \in X$, the family $\{U : x \in U \text{ and } U \in \tau\}$ is denoted by $\tau(x)$. For a point $x \in X$, the family $\{U : x \in U \text{ and } U \in \tau_\omega\}$ is denoted by $\tau_\omega(x)$. For a point $x \in X$, the family $\{U : x \in U \text{ and } U \in \text{Ro}(X)\}$ is denoted by $\text{Ro}(x)$.

Popa [15] introduced the notion of rare continuity. Recently papers [4-6] have introduced several properties of this function.

Definition 1.1. A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called rarely continuous if for each $x \in X$ and each open set W in Y containing $f(x)$, there exist a rare set R_W with $W \cap \text{Cl}(R_W) = \emptyset$ and an open set U in X containing x such that $f(U) \subset W \cup R_W$.

Definition 1.2. A subset \mathcal{N} of a topological space (X, τ) is called an ω -neighbourhood of a point $x \in X$ if there exists an ω -open set B such that $x \in B \subseteq \mathcal{N}$.

Definition 1.3 ([10]). A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be:

1. ω -continuous if $f^{-1}(V) \in \tau_\omega$ for every $V \in \sigma$.
2. ω -open if $f(U) \in \sigma_\omega$ for every $U \in \tau_\omega$.
3. ω -closed if $f(U) \in (\sigma_\omega)^c$ for every $U \in (\tau_\omega)^c$.

2. Rarely ω -continuous functions

Definition 2.1. A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$: is called rarely ω -continuous if for each $x \in X$ and each $W \in \sigma(f(x))$, there exist a rare set R_w with $W \cap \text{Cl}(R_w) = \emptyset$ and an ω -open set U containing x such that $f(U) \subset W \cup R_w$.

Example 2.1. Let \mathbb{R} be the set of real numbers, τ_u be the usual topology and τ_l be the left-ray topology, i.e. $\tau_l = \{(-\infty, a) : a \in \mathbb{R}\} \cup \{\mathbb{R}, \emptyset\}$. We define $f : (\mathbb{R}, \tau_u) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, \tau_l)$ be the identity function $f(x) = x$. Let $a \in \mathbb{R}$ then for each open set $W = (-\infty, a + \delta) \in \tau_l$ containing $f(a) = a$ there exists $U = I \cup \{a\} \in \tau_\omega(a)$ where I is the set of irrational numbers. Then, $\text{Int}[f(U) \cap (Y - W)] = \text{Int}[(I \cup \{a\}) \cap [a + \delta, \infty)] = \emptyset$. Hence, if $a \in \mathbb{R}$ then for each open set W containing $f(a) = a$ there exists $U \in \tau_\omega(a)$ such that $\text{Int}[f(U) \cap (Y - W)] = \emptyset$. Hence, f is rarely continuous function and rarely ω -continuous function.

Theorem 2.1. Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be topological spaces. Then, the following statements are equivalent for a function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$:

1. f is rarely ω -continuous at $x \in X$.
2. For each $W \in \sigma(f(x))$, there exists $U \in \tau_\omega(x)$ such that $\text{Int}[f(U) \cap (Y - W)] = \emptyset$.
3. For each $W \in \sigma(f(x))$, there exists $U \in \tau_\omega(x)$ such that $\text{Int}[f(U)] \subset \text{Cl}(W)$.
4. For each $W \in \sigma(f(x))$, there exists a rare set R_w with $W \cap \text{Cl}(R_w) = \emptyset$ such that $x \in \text{Int}_w(f^{-1}(W \cup R_w))$.
5. For each $W \in \sigma(f(x))$, there exists a rare set R_w with $\text{Cl}(W) \cap R_w = \emptyset$ such that $x \in \text{Int}_w(f^{-1}(\text{Cl}(W) \cup R_w))$.
6. For each $W \in \text{Ro}(f(x))$, there exists a rare set R_w with $W \cap \text{Cl}(R_w) = \emptyset$ such that $x \in \text{Int}_w(f^{-1}(W \cup R_w))$.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2): Let $W \in \sigma(f(x))$. By $f(x) \in W \subset \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(W))$ and the fact that $\text{Int}(\text{Cl}(W)) \in \sigma(f(x))$, then there exist a rare set R_W with $\text{Int}(\text{Cl}(W)) \cap \text{Cl}(R_W) = \emptyset$ and an ω -open set $U \subset X$ containing x such that $f(U) \subset \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(W)) \cup R_W$. We have $\text{Int}[f(U) \cap (Y - W)] = \text{Int}[f(U)] \cap \text{Int}(Y - W) \subset \text{Int}[\text{Int}(\text{Cl}(W)) \cup R_W] \cap (Y - \text{Cl}(W)) \subset (\text{Cl}(W) \cup \text{Int}(R_W)) \cap (Y - \text{Cl}(W)) = \emptyset$. Hence, $\text{Int}[f(U) \cap (Y - W)] = \emptyset$.

(2) \Rightarrow (3): Let $W \in \sigma(f(x))$, then by (2), there exists $U \in \tau_\omega(x)$ such that $\text{Int}[f(U) \cap (Y - W)] = \emptyset$. We have $\text{Int}[f(U) \cap (Y - W)] = \text{Int}(f(U)) \cap \text{Int}(Y - W) = \text{Int}(f(U)) \cap (Y - \text{Cl}(W)) = \emptyset$. Then $\text{Int}[f(U)] \subset \text{Cl}(W)$.

(3) \Rightarrow (1): Let $W \in \sigma(f(x))$. Then, by (3), there exists $U \in \tau_\omega(x)$ such that $\text{Int}[f(U)] \subset \text{Cl}(W)$. We have $f(U) = [f(U) - \text{Int}(f(U))] \cup \text{Int}(f(U)) \subset [f(U) - \text{Int}(f(U))] \cup \text{Cl}(W) = [f(U) - \text{Int}(f(U))] \cup W \cup (\text{Cl}(W) - W) = [f(U) - \text{Int}(f(U))] \cap (Y - W) \cup W \cup (\text{Cl}(W) - W)$. Set $R_1 = [f(U) - \text{Int}(f(U))] \cap (Y - W)$ and $R_2 = (\text{Cl}(W) - W)$. Then R_1 and R_2 are rare sets. More $R_w = R_1 \cup R_2$ is a rare set such that $\text{Cl}(R_w) \cap W = \emptyset$ and $f(U) \subset W \cup R_w$. This shows that f is rarely w -continuous function.

(1) \Rightarrow (4): Suppose that $W \in \sigma(f(x))$. Then, there exists a rare set R_w with $W \cap \text{cl}(R_w) = \emptyset$ and a ω -open set U in X containing x , such that $f(U) \subset W \cup R_w$. It follows that $x \in U \subset f^{-1}(W \cup R_w)$. This implies that $x \in \text{Int}_w(f^{-1}(W \cup R_w))$.

(4) \Rightarrow (5): Suppose that $W \in \sigma(f(x))$. Then, there exists a rare set R_w with $W \cap \text{Cl}(R_w) = \emptyset$ such that $x \in \text{Int}_w(f^{-1}(W \cup R_w))$. Since $W \cap \text{Cl}(R_w) = \emptyset$, $R_w \subset Y - W$, where $Y - W = (Y - \text{Cl}(W)) \cup (\text{Cl}(W) - W)$. Now, we have $R_w \subset (R_w \cup (Y - \text{cl}(W))) \cup (\text{Cl}(W) - W)$. Set $R_1 = R_w \cap (Y - \text{Cl}(W))$. It follows that R_1 is a rare set with $\text{cl}(W) \cap R_1 = \emptyset$. Therefore, $x \in \text{Int}_w[f^{-1}(W \cup R_w)] \subset \text{Int}_w[f^{-1}(\text{Cl}(W) \cup R_1)]$.

(5) \Rightarrow (6): Assume that $W \in \text{Ro}(f(x))$. Then, there exists a rare set R_w with $\text{Cl}(W) \cap R_w = \emptyset$ such that $x \in \text{Int}_w[f^{-1}(\text{Cl}(W) \cup R_w)]$. Set $R_1 = R_w \cup (\text{Cl}(W) - W)$. It follows that R_1 is a rare set and $W \cap \text{Cl}(R_1) = \emptyset$.

Hence, $x \in \text{Int}_w[f^{-1}(cl(W) \cup R_w)] = \text{Int}_w[f^{-1}(W \cup (Cl(W) - W) \cup R_w)] = \text{Int}_w[f^{-1}(W \cup R_1)]$.

(6) \Rightarrow (2): Let $W \in \sigma(f(x))$. By $f(x) \in W \subset \text{Int}(Cl(W))$ and the fact that $\text{Int}(Cl(W)) \in \text{Ro}(f(x))$, there exists a rare set R_w with $\text{Int}(Cl(W)) \cap Cl(R_w) = \emptyset$ such that $x \in \text{Int}_w[f^{-1}(\text{Int}(Cl(W)) \cup R_w)]$. Let

$U = \text{Int}_w[f^{-1}(\text{Int}(Cl(W)) \cup R_w)]$. Hence, $x \in U \in \tau_w(x)$ and, therefore $f(U) \subset \text{Int}(Cl(W)) \cup R_w$. We have $\text{Int}[f(U) \cap (Y - W)] = \text{Int}[f(U)] \cap \text{Int}(Y - W) \subset \text{Int}[\text{Int}(Cl(W)) \cup R_w] \cap (Y - Cl(W)) \subset (Cl(W) \cup \text{Int}(R_w)) \cap (Y - Cl(W)) = \emptyset$. \square

Theorem 2.2. *Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$. Then, every rarely continuous function is rarely ω -continuous.*

Proof. Let $x \in X$ and W be an open set in Y containing $f(x)$. Since f is rarely continuous, by there exists an open set U in X containing x such that $\text{Int}(f(U)) \subset Cl(W)$. Since $\tau \subseteq \tau_w$, U is an ω -open set containing x . It then f is rarely ω -continuous. \square

The converse of Theorem 2.2 is not true in general as shown in the following example.

Example 2.2. Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a, b\}, \{c\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, Y, \{a, b\}, \{a\}, \{b\}\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be the identity function. Since $\tau_w = P(X)$, then f is rarely ω -continuous but not rarely continuous function because take $a \in Y$ and $W = \{a\}$, the for any open set $U = \{a, b\}$ or $U = X$ in X containing a we have $\text{Int}[f(U) \cap (Y - W)] = \text{Int}[U \cap \{b, c\}] \neq \emptyset$.

Theorem 2.3. *A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is rarely ω -continuous if and only if for each an open set $W \subset Y$, there exists a rare set R_w with $W \cap Cl(R_w) = \emptyset$ such that $f^{-1}(W) \subset \text{Int}_w[f^{-1}(W \cup R_w)]$.*

Proof. Let $W \in \sigma(f(x))$, then there exists a rare set R_w with $W \cap cl(R_w) = \emptyset$ and an ω -open set U in X containing x , such that $f(U) \subset W \cup R_w$. Let $y \in W$ Since $W \subset W \cup R_w$, then $y \in W \cup R_w$. It follows that $x \in f^{-1}(W) \subset f^{-1}(W \cup R_w)$. This implies that $x \in \text{Int}_w(f^{-1}(W \cup R_w))$.

Conversely, let $W \in \sigma(f(x))$, then there exists a rare set R_w with $W \cap Cl(R_w) = \emptyset$ such that $f^{-1}(W) \subset \text{Int}_w[f^{-1}(W \cup R_w)]$. Let $x \in f^{-1}(W) \subset f^{-1}(W \cup R_w)$. This implies that $x \in \text{Int}_w(f^{-1}(W \cup R_w))$. Then, by Theorem 2.1 f is rarely ω -continuous function. \square

Definition 2.2. *A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be ω^* -continuous at $x \in X$ if for each set $W \in \sigma(f(x))$, there exists an ω -open set U in X containing x such that $\text{Int}[f(U)] \subset W$. If f has this property at each point $x \in X$, then we say that f is ω^* -continuous on X .*

Theorem 2.4. *Let Y be a regular space a function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is ω^* -continuous on X if and only if f is rarely ω -continuous on X .*

Proof. Let f be rarely ω^* -continuous on X and $x \in X$. Suppose that $W \in \sigma(f(x))$. Then, there exists a ω -open set U in X containing x such that $\text{Int}[f(U)] \subset W$, then $\text{Int}[f(U)] \subset \text{Cl}(W)$. We have $f(U) = [f(U) - \text{Int}(f(U))] \cup \text{Int}(f(U)) \subset [f(U) - \text{Int}(f(U))] \cup \text{Cl}(W) = [f(U) - \text{Int}(f(U))] \cup W \cup (\text{Cl}(W) - W) = [f(U) - \text{Int}(f(U))] \cap (Y - W) \cup W \cup (\text{Cl}(W) - W)$.

Set $R_1 = [f(U) - \text{Int}(f(U))] \cap (Y - W)$ and $R_2 = (\text{Cl}(W) - W)$.

Then R_1 and R_2 are rare sets. Also $R_w = R_1 \cup R_2$ is a rare set such that $\text{Cl}(R_w) \cap W = \emptyset$ and $f(U) \subset W \cup R_w$. This shows that f is rarely ω -continuous function.

Conversely, let f be rarely ω -continuous on X and $x \in X$. Suppose that $f(x) \in W$, where W is an open set in Y . By the regularity of Y , there exists an open set $W_1 \in \sigma(f(x))$ such that $\text{Cl}(W_1) \subset W$. Since f is rarely ω -continuous, there exists an ω -open set U in X containing x such that $\text{Int}[f(U)] \subset \text{Cl}(W_1)$. This implies that $\text{Int}[f(U)] \subset W$ and so f is ω^* -continuous function on X . \square

Definition 2.3. A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called to be almost weakly ω -continuous if for each open set W in Y containing $f(x)$ there exists an ω -open set U in X containing x such that $f(U) \subset \text{Cl}(W)$.

Theorem 2.5. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be an ω -open and rarely ω -continuous function, then f is almost weakly ω -continuous.

Proof. Let $x \in X$ and $W \in \sigma(f(x))$. Since f is rarely ω -continuous, there exists an ω -open set U in X such that $\text{Int}(f(U)) \subset \text{Cl}(W)$. Since f is ω -open $f(U)$ is ω -open and hence $f(U) = \text{Int}_\omega(f(U)) \subseteq \text{Int}(f(U)) \subset \text{Cl}(W)$. This shows that f is almost weakly ω -continuous. \square

Theorem 2.6. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a rarely ω -continuous function, then the graph function $g : X \rightarrow X \times Y$, defined by $g(x) = (x, f(x))$ for every x in X is rarely ω -continuous.

Proof. Let $x \in X$ and A is any open set containing $g(x)$. It follows that there exist open sets U and W in X and Y , respectively, such that $(x, f(x)) \in U \times W \subseteq A$. Since f is rarely ω -continuous, then there exists $G \in \tau_\omega(x)$ such that $\text{Int}[f(G)] \subset \text{Cl}(W)$. Let $B = U \cap G$. It follows that $B \in \tau_\omega(x)$ and we have $\text{Int}[g(B)] \subseteq \text{Int}(U \times f(G)) \subseteq U \times \text{Cl}(W) \subseteq \text{Cl}(A)$. Hence, g is a rarely ω -continuous function. \square

Definition 2.4. Let $A = \{W_i\}$ be a class of subsets of a topological space (X, τ) . The rarely union sets [14] of A we mean $\{W_i \cup R_{W_i}\}$, where each R_{W_i} is a rare set such that each of $\{W_i \cap \text{Cl}(R_{W_i})\}$ is empty.

Definition 2.5. A subset K of a topological space (X, τ) is said to be

1. ω -compact relative to X if every cover of K by ω -open sets in X has a finite subcover. A space X is said to be ω -compact if X is ω -compact relative to X .

2. rarely almost compact relative to X if for every cover of K by open sets of X , there exists a finite subfamily whose rarely union sets cover K . A topological space X is said to be rarely almost compact if the set X is rarely almost compact relative to X .

Theorem 2.7. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be rarely ω -continuous and K be ω -compact relative to X . Then $f(K)$ is rarely almost compact relative to Y .

Proof. Let $\Omega = \{W_k : k \in K\}$ be an open cover of $f(K)$. Let \mathcal{A} be the set of all W in Ω such that $W \cap f(K) \neq \emptyset$. Then \mathcal{A} is an open cover of $f(K)$. Hence, for each $k \in K$, there is some $W_k \in \mathcal{A}$ such that $f(k) \in W_k$. Since f is rarely ω -continuous, there exists a rare set R_{W_k} with $W_k \cap Cl(R_{W_k}) = \emptyset$ and an ω -open set U_k containing k such that $f(U_k) \subset W_k \cup R_{W_k}$. Hence, there is a finite subfamily $\{U_k : k \in \Delta\}$ which covers K , where Δ is a finite subset of K . The subfamily $\{W_k \cup R_{W_k} : k \in \Delta\}$ also covers $f(K)$. \square

Lemma 2.1. If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is continuous and one-to-one, then f preserves rare sets.

Theorem 2.8. If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is rarely ω -continuous and $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \rho)$ is a continuous injection, then $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \rho)$ is rarely ω -continuous.

Proof. Let $x \in X$ and $(g \circ f)(x) \in V$, where V is an open set in Z . By hypothesis, g is continuous, therefore $W = g^{-1}(V)$ is an open set in Y containing $f(x)$ such that $g(W) \subset V$. Since f is rarely w -continuous, there exists a rare set R_W with $W \cap Cl(R_W) = \emptyset$ and an ω -open set U containing x such that $f(U) \subset W \cup R_W$. It follows from Lemma 2.1 that $g(R_W)$ is a rare set in Z . Since R_W is a subset of $Y - W$ and g is injective, we have $Cl(g(R_W)) \cap V = \emptyset$. This implies that $(g \circ f)(U) \subset V \cup g(R_W)$. Hence, $g \circ f$ is rarely ω -continuous. \square

Definition 2.6. A topological space (X, τ) is called rarely separated [14] if for every pair of distinct points x and y in X , there exist open sets U_x and U_y containing x and y , respectively, and rare sets R_{U_x} , R_{U_y} with $U_x \cap cl(R_{U_x}) = \emptyset$ and $U_y \cap cl(R_{U_y}) = \emptyset$ such that $(U_x \cup R_{U_x}) \cap (U_y \cup R_{U_y}) = \emptyset$.

Definition 2.7. A topological space (X, τ) is said to be ω - T_2 [10] if for any distinct pair of points x and y in X , there exist disjoint ω -open sets U and V in X containing x and y , respectively.

Theorem 2.9. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be rarely ω -continuous injection such that (Y, σ) is rarely separated, then (X, τ) is ω - T_2 space.

Proof. Let x and y be any distinct points in X . Then $f(x) \neq f(y)$ (as f is injective). Thus there exist open sets G_x and U_y in Y containing $f(x)$ and $f(y)$, respectively, and rare sets R_{U_x} and R_{U_y} with $U_x \cap Cl(R_{U_x}) = \emptyset$ and $U_y \cap Cl(R_{U_y}) = \emptyset$ such that $(U_x \cup R_{U_x}) \cap (U_y \cup R_{U_y}) = \emptyset$. Therefore,

$Int_w[f^{-1}(U_x \cup R_{U_x})] \cap Int_w[f^{-1}(U_y \cup R_{U_y})] = \emptyset$. By Theorem 2.3 we have $x \in f^{-1}(U_x) \subset Int_w[f^{-1}(U_x \cup R_{U_x})]$ and $y \in f^{-1}(U_y) \subset Int_w[f^{-1}(U_y \cup R_{U_y})]$. Since $Int_w[f^{-1}(U_x \cup R_{U_x})]$ and $Int_w[f^{-1}(U_y \cup R_{U_y})]$ are two disjoint ω -open sets, hence (X, τ) is an ω - T_2 space. \square

Theorem 2.10. *Let (X, τ) be topological space let $A \subset X$ and $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (A, \tau_A)$ be a rarely ω -continuous retraction of X onto A . If X is Hausdorff, then A is a closed set.*

Proof. Suppose A is not closed. Then, there exists a point $a \in Cl(A) - A$. Since f is a retraction, $f(a) \neq a$. Moreover, X is Hausdorff, there exist disjoint open sets H and W containing a and $f(a)$, respectively. Now, for the open W , there exists a rare set R_W in the subspace A and an ω -open U containing a such that $Cl(R_W) \cap W = \emptyset$, $U \subset H$ and $f(U) \subset W \cup R_W$. Since $U \cap A$ is ω -open in A , there is a point $z \in U \cap A$ such that $z \notin R_W$. So, $f(z) = z \notin W \cup R_W$, then f is not rarely ω -continuous, a contradiction. Therefore, A is closed. \square

Definition 2.8 ([13]). *Let (X, τ) be Hausdorff space, then X is H -closed if every open cover $\Omega = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\}$ of X contains a finite subcollection $\Omega_0 = \{Cl(U_{\alpha_i}) : i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$ covers X .*

Theorem 2.11. *Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function with an ω -closed graph where Y is H -closed. Then f is rarely ω -continuous function.*

Proof. Let $x \in X$ and W be a regular open set containing $f(x)$. For each $y \in Y - W$ there exist an ω -open set $U(x_y)$ containing x and open set $G(y)$ containing y such that $f(U(x_y)) \cap G(y) = \emptyset$ because f has an ω -closed graph. Since Y is Hausdorff, we may also choose $G(y)$ so that $f(x) \notin Cl(G(y))$ for each $y \in Y - W$. Thus the collection $\{G(y) : y \in Y - W\}$ forms an open cover of the regular closed set $Y - W$. Since Y is H -closed spaces, then the regular closed sets are themselves H -closed which implies the open cover $\{G(y) : y \in Y - U\}$ has a finite subcollection $\{G(y_i) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$, such that $Y - W \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n Cl(G(y_i)) = Cl(\bigcup_{i=1}^n G(y_i))$. Now, define $U = \bigcap_{i=1}^n U(x_{y_i})$ is an ω -open set. Then, by construction $f(U) \cap (\bigcup_{i=1}^n G(y_i)) = \emptyset$. So, if we let $R_W = (Y - W) \cap (Cl(\bigcup_{i=1}^n G(y_i)) - \bigcup_{i=1}^n G(y_i))$ then R_W is a rare set and $f(U) \subset W \cup R_W$. By Theorem 2.1, f is rarely ω -continuous function. \square

Lemma 2.2. *Let A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n be a finite family of pairwise disjoint sets having the property that when $i \neq j$, either $Cl(A_i) \cap A_j = \emptyset$ or $A_i \cap Cl(A_j) = \emptyset$. If, in addition, $Int(A_i) = \emptyset$ for all $1 < i < n$, then $Int(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i) = \emptyset$.*

Theorem 2.12. *Let (X, τ) and (Y_a, σ_a) be topological spaces. Let $f_a : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y_a, \sigma_a)$ be a rarely ω -continuous function for each $a \in \Delta$ and define $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (\prod_{a \in \Delta} Y_a, \prod_{a \in \Delta} \sigma_a)$ by $f(x) = \{f_a(x)\}$. Then f is rarely ω -continuous.*

Proof. Let $x \in X$ and W be an open set containing $f(x)$. Now, let $H = W_{a_1} \times W_{a_2} \times \dots \times W_{a_n} \times \Pi\{Y_\beta : \beta \neq a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$ be a basic open set

containing $f(x)$ such that $f(x) \in H \subset W$. Then, for each W_{a_1} there exists a rare set $R_{W_{a_1}}$ with $Cl(R_{W_{a_1}}) \cap W_{a_1} = \emptyset$ and some an ω -open U_{a_1} containing x such that $f_{a_1}(U_{a_1}) \subset W_{a_1} \cup R_{W_{a_1}}$. Define $U = \bigcap_{i=1}^n U_{a_i}$ which is an ω -open. Then $J(U) \subset \prod\{Y_\beta : \beta \neq a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\} \times (W_{a_1} \cup R_{W_{a_1}}) \times (W_{a_2} \cup R_{W_{a_2}}) \times \dots \times (W_{a_n} \cup R_{W_{a_n}}) = \prod\{Y_\beta : \beta \neq a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\} \times W_{a_1} \times W_{a_2} \times \dots \times W_{a_n} \cup (\cup\{\prod\{Y_\beta : \beta \neq a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\} \times \prod_{i=1}^n \{A_i : A_i = W_{a_i} \text{ or } A_i = R_{W_{a_i}} \text{ and } \prod_{i=1}^n A_i \neq \prod_{i=1}^n W_{a_i}\}\})$. Observe that the collection of sets $\{\prod\{Y_\beta : \beta \neq a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\} \times \prod_{i=1}^n \{A_i : A_i = W_{a_i} \text{ or } A_i = R_{W_{a_i}} \text{ and } \prod_{i=1}^n A_i \neq \prod_{i=1}^n W_{a_i}\}\}$ is a finite family of pairwise disjoint sets that satisfies the hypothesis of Lemma 2.2. Thus the interior of the union of this finite family is empty so if we define R_W is rare set, $Cl(R_W) \cap W = \emptyset$ and $f(U) \subset W \cup R_W$. Thus f is rarely ω -continuous function. \square

Conclusion

We defined and studied a new class of functions, called rarely ω -continuous function via ω -open sets. In the future, we intend to provide more characterizations and prove soft mapping, as well as define new soft topological concepts using soft ω -open sets.

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