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# $(\alpha, \beta, \theta, \partial, \mathcal{I})$ -Continuous Mappings and their Decomposition

Aplicaciones  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta, \partial, \mathcal{I})$ -Continuas y su Descomposición

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#### Abstract

In this paper we introduce the concept of  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta, \partial, \mathcal{I})$ -continuous mappings and prove that if  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  are operators on the topological space  $(X, \tau)$  and  $\theta, \theta^*$ ,  $\partial$  are operators on the topological space  $(Y, \varphi)$  and  $\mathcal{I}$  a proper ideal on X, then a function  $f : X \to Y$  is  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta \land \theta^*, \partial, \mathcal{I})$ -continuous if and only if it is both  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta, \partial, \mathcal{I})$ -continuous and  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta^*, \partial, \mathcal{I})$ -continuous, generalizing a result of J. Tong. Additional results on  $(\alpha, Int, \theta, \partial, \{\emptyset\})$ -continuous maps are given.

Key words and phrases: P-continuous, mutually dual expansions, expansion continuous

#### Resumen

En este artículo se introduce el concepto de aplicación  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta, \partial, \mathcal{I})$ continua y se prueba que si  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  son operadores en el espacio topológico  $(X, \tau)$  y  $\theta$ ,  $\theta^*$ ,  $\partial$  son operadores en el espacio topológico  $(Y, \varphi)$  y  $\mathcal{I}$  es un ideal propio en X, entonces una función  $f : X \to Y$  es  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta \land \theta^*, \partial, \mathcal{I})$ continua si y s'olo si es  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta, \partial, \mathcal{I})$ -continua y  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta^*, \partial, \mathcal{I})$ -continua, generalizanso un resultado de J. Tong. Se dan resultados adicionales sobre aplicaciones  $(\alpha, Int, \theta, \partial, \{\emptyset\})$ -continuas.

Palabras y frases clave: P-continuas, expansiones mutuamente duales, expansión continua.

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# 1 Introduction

In [17] Kasahara introduced the concept of an operation associated with a topology  $\tau$  on set X as a map  $\alpha : \tau \to P(X)$  such that  $U \subset \alpha(U)$  for every  $U \in \tau$ . In [30] J. Tong called this kind of maps, expansions on X. In [24] Vielma and Rosas modified the above definition by allowing the operator  $\alpha$  to be defined on P(X); they are called operators on  $(X, \tau)$ .

#### Preliminaries

First of all let us introduce a concept of continuity in a very general setting: In fact, let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \varphi)$  be two topological spaces,  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be operators on  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $\theta$  and  $\partial$  be operators in  $(Y, \varphi)$  respectively. Also let  $\mathcal{I}$  be a proper ideal on X.

**Definition 1.** A mapping  $f : X \to Y$  is said to be  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta, \partial, \mathcal{I})$ -continuous if for every open set  $V \in \varphi$ ,  $\alpha (f^{-1}(\partial V)) \setminus \beta f^{-1}(\theta V) \in \mathcal{I}$ .

We can see that the above definition generalizes the concept of continuity, when we choose:  $\alpha$  = identity operator,  $\beta$ =interior operator,  $\partial$  = identity operator,  $\theta$  =identity operator and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ .

Also, if we ask the operator  $\alpha$  to satisfy the additional condition that  $\alpha(\emptyset) = \emptyset$ ,  $\partial \leq \theta$ , then the constant maps are always  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta, \partial, \mathcal{I})$ -continuous for any ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  on X.

- 1. In fact, let  $f: X \to Y$  be a map such that  $f(x) = y_0 \quad \forall x \in X$ . Let V be on open set in  $(Y, \varphi)$ 
  - If  $y_0 \in V$ , then  $f^{-1}(\partial V) = X$ ,  $\alpha (f^{-1}(\partial V)) = X$ ,  $f^{-1}(\theta V) = X$ ,  $\beta (f^{-1}(\theta V)) = X$  Then  $\alpha (f^{-1}(\partial V)) \setminus \beta f^{-1}(\theta V) = \emptyset \in \mathcal{I}$
  - If  $y_0 \notin V$  but  $y_0 \in \partial V$  and  $y_0 \in \theta V$  then

$$f^{-1}(\partial V) = X \qquad f^{-1}(\theta V) = X$$
  
$$\alpha \left( f^{-1}(\partial V) \right) = X \qquad \beta \ f^{-1}(\theta V) = X$$

and  $\alpha \left(f^{-1}(\partial V)\right) \setminus \beta \ f^{-1}(\theta V) = \emptyset \in \mathcal{I}$ If  $y_0 \notin \theta V$  then

$$f^{-1}(\partial V) = \emptyset \qquad f^{-1}(\theta V) = \emptyset$$
  

$$\alpha \left( f^{-1}(\partial V) \right) = \emptyset, \qquad \beta \ f^{-1}(\theta V) \subset X$$
  
and  $\alpha \left( f^{-1}(\partial V) \right) \setminus \beta \ f^{-1}(\theta V) = \emptyset \in \mathcal{I}$ 

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If  $y_0 \notin \partial V$  and  $y_0 \in \theta V$  then

$$f^{-1}(\partial V) = \emptyset \qquad f^{-1}(\theta V) = X$$
  
$$\alpha \left( f^{-1}(\partial V) \right) = \emptyset \qquad \beta \ f^{-1}(\theta V) = X$$

and  $\alpha \left( f^{-1}(\partial V) \right) \setminus \beta \ f^{-1}(\theta V) = \emptyset \in \mathcal{I}$ 

Let us give a historical justification of the above definition:

- 1. In 1922, H. Blumberg [5] defined the concept of densely approached maps: For every open set V in  $Y, f^{-1}(V) \subset Intcl f^{-1}(V)$ . Here  $\alpha =$  identity operator,  $\beta =$  Interior closure operator,  $\partial =$  identity operator,  $\theta =$  identity operator and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ .
- 2. In 1932, S. Kempisty [14] defined quasi-continuous mappings: For every open set V in Y,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semi open. Here  $\alpha$  = identity operator,  $\beta$  = Interior operator,  $\partial$  = identity operator,  $\theta$  = identity operator and  $\mathcal{I}$  = nowhere dense sets of X.
- 3. In 1961, Levine [18] defined weakly continuous mappings: For every open set V in Y,  $f^{-1}(V) \subset Intf^{-1}(clV)$ . Here  $\alpha$  = identity operator,  $\beta$  = Interior operator,  $\partial$  = identity operator,  $\theta$  = closure operator and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ .
- 4. In 1966, Singal and Singal [27] defined almost continuous mappings: For every open set V in Y,  $f^{-1}(V) \subset Intf^{-1}(IntclV)$ . Here  $\alpha$  = identity operator,  $\beta$  = Interior operator,  $\partial$  = identity operator,  $\theta$  = interior closure operator and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ .
- 5. In 1972, S. G. Crossley and S. K. Hildebrand [8] defined *irresolute* maps: For every semi open set V in Y,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semi open. Here  $\alpha =$  identity operator,  $\beta =$  Interior operator,  $\partial =$  identity operator,  $\theta =$  identity operator and  $\mathcal{I} =$  nowhere dense sets of X.
- 6. In 1973, Carnahan [6] defined *R*-maps: For every regular open set V in  $Y, f^{-1}(V)$  is regularly open. Here  $\alpha =$  Interior closure operator,  $\beta =$  Interior closure operator,  $\partial =$  identity operator,  $\theta =$  Interior closure operator and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ .
- 7. In 1982, J. Tong [29] defined weak almost continuous mappings: For every open set V in Y,  $f^{-1}(V) \subset Intf^{-1}(IntKerclV)$ . Here  $\alpha$  = identity operator,  $\beta$  = Interior operator,  $\partial$  = identity operator,  $\theta$  = Interior Kernel closure operator and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ .

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- 8. In 1982, J. Tong [29] defined very weakly continuous maps. For every open set V in Y,  $f^{-1}(V) \subset Intf^{-1}(KerclV)$ . Here  $\alpha$  = identity operator,  $\beta$  = Interior operator,  $\partial$  = identity operator,  $\theta$  = Kernel closure operator and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ .
- 9. In 1984, T. Noiri [22] defined *perfectly continuous* maps: For every open set V in Y,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is clopen. Here  $\alpha$  = Closure operator,  $\beta$  = Interior operator,  $\partial$  = identity operator,  $\theta$  = identity operator and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$
- 10. In 1985, D. S.Jankovic [13], defined almost weakly continuous maps: For every open set V in Y,  $f^{-1}(V) \subset Intcl f^{-1}(clV)$ . Here  $\alpha$  = Identity operator,  $\beta$  = Interior closure operator,  $\partial$  = identity operator,  $\theta$  = closure operator and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ .

In order to continue the justification of the above definition, let us consider a certain property P that is satisfied by a collection of open sets in Y.

**Definition 2.** A map  $f : X \to Y$  is said to be *P*-continuous if  $f^{-1}(U)$  is open for each open set U in Y satisfying property P.

Let  $\theta_P : P(Y) \to P(Y)$  be a operator in  $(Y, \varphi)$  defined as follows  $\theta_P(A) = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } A \text{ is open and satisfies property } P \\ Y & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ 

**Theorem 1.** A map  $f : X \to Y$  is *P*-continuous if and only if it is  $(id, int, \theta_P, id, \{\emptyset\})$ -continuous.

*Proof.* In fact, suppose that f is P-continuous and let V an open set in  $(Y, \varphi)$ .

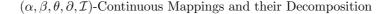
Case 1. If V satisfies property  $P, \theta_P(V) = V$ , then by hypothesis  $f^{-1}(V)$ is open and then  $f^{-1}(V) \subset Intf^{-1}(\theta_P(V)) = Intf^{-1}(V)$ .

Case 2. If V does not satisfies property P,  $\theta_P(V) = Y$ , then clearly  $f^{-1}(V) \subset Intf^{-1}(\theta_P(V)) = Y$ .

Conversely, suppose that  $f^{-1}(V) \subset Intf^{-1}(\theta_P(V))$  for each open set V in  $(Y, \varphi)$ . Take V an open set satisfying property P, then  $\theta_P(V) = V$  and since  $f^{-1}(V) \subset Intf^{-1}(\theta_P(V)) = Intf^{-1}(V)$ . We conclude that  $f^{-1}(V)$  is open and then f is P-continuous.

- 11. In 1970, K. R. Gentry and H. B. Hoyle [12] defined *C*-continuous functions: For every open set V in Y with compact complement,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is open.
- 12. In 1971, Y. S. Park [23] defined  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -continuous function: For every open set V in Y with countably compact complement,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is open.

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- 13. In 1978, J. K. Kohli [15] defined *S*-continuous functions: For every open set V in Y with connected complement,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is open.
- 14. In 1981, J. K. Kohli [16] defined *L*-continuous functions: For every open set V in Y with Lindelof complement,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is open.
- 15. In 1981, P. E. Long and L. L. Herringtong [20] defined *para-continuous* functions: For every open set V in Y with paracompact complement,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is open.
- 16. In 1984, S. R. Malgan and V. V. Hanchinamani [21] defined *N*-continuous functions: For every open set V in Y with nearly compact complement,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is open.
- 17. In 1987, F. Cammaroto and T. Noiri [9] defined *WC-continuous* functions: For every open set V in Y with weakly compact complement,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is open.
- 18. In 1992, M. K. Singal and S. B. Niemse [26] defined Z-continuous functions: For every open set V in Y with Zero set complement,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is open.

**Definition 3.** If  $\beta$  and  $\beta^*$  are operators on  $(X, \tau)$ , the intersection operator  $\beta \wedge \beta^*$  is defined as follows

$$(\beta \wedge \beta^*)(A) = \beta(A) \cap \beta^*(A)$$

The operators  $\beta$  and  $\beta^*$  are said to be mutually dual if  $\beta \wedge \beta^*$  is the identity operator.

**Theorem 2.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \varphi)$  be two topological spaces and  $\mathcal{I}$  a proper ideal on X. Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be operators on  $(X, \tau)$  and  $\partial, \theta$  and  $\theta^*$  be operators on  $(Y, \varphi)$ . Then a function  $f : X \to Y$  is  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta \land \theta^*, \partial, \mathcal{I})$ -continuous if and only if it is both  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta, \partial, \mathcal{I})$  and  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta^*, \partial, \mathcal{I})$ -continuous, provided that  $\beta(A \cap B) = \beta(A) \cap \beta(B)$ .

*Proof.* If f is both  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta, \partial, \mathcal{I})$  and  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta^*, \partial, \mathcal{I})$ -continuous, then for every open set V in  $(Y, \varphi)$ 

$$\alpha\left(f^{-1}(\partial V)\right)\setminus\beta f^{-1}(\theta V)\in\mathcal{I}$$

and

$$\alpha\left(f^{-1}(\partial V)\right)\setminus\beta f^{-1}(\theta^*V)\in\mathcal{I},$$

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then

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$$\left[\alpha\left(f^{-1}(\partial V)\right)\setminus\beta f^{-1}(\theta V)\right]\cup\left[\alpha\left(f^{-1}(\partial V)\right)\setminus\beta f^{-1}(\theta^*V)\right]\in\mathcal{I}.$$

But

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha \left( f^{-1} \left( \partial V \right) \right) \setminus \beta f^{-1} \left( \theta V \right) \end{bmatrix} \cup \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \left( f^{-1} \left( \partial V \right) \right) \setminus \beta f^{-1} \left( \theta^* V \right) \end{bmatrix}$$
  
=  $\alpha \left( f^{-1} \left( \partial V \right) \right) \setminus \beta f^{-1} \left( \left( \theta V \right) \cap \beta f^{-1} \left( \theta^* V \right) \right)$   
=  $\alpha \left( f^{-1} \left( \partial V \right) \right) \setminus \beta f^{-1} \left( \theta V \cap \theta^* V \right)$ 

then f is  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta \land \theta^*, \partial, \mathcal{I})$ -continuous.

Conversely, if f is  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta \land \theta^*, \partial, \mathcal{I})$ -continuous, then

 $\alpha\left(f^{-1}(\partial V)\right)\setminus\beta f^{-1}\left((\theta\wedge\theta^*)V\right)\in\mathcal{I}.$ 

Now, by the above equalities we get that

$$\left[\alpha\left(f^{-1}(\partial V)\right)\setminus\beta f^{-1}(\theta V)\right]\cup\left[\alpha\left(f^{-1}(\partial V)\right)\setminus\beta f^{-1}(\theta^*V)\right]\in\mathcal{I}$$

which implies

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$$\alpha\left(f^{-1}(\partial V)\right)\setminus\beta f^{-1}(\theta V)\in\mathcal{I} \text{ and } \alpha\left(f^{-1}(\partial V)\right)\setminus\beta f^{-1}(\theta^*V)\in\mathcal{I}$$

which means that f is both  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta, \partial, \mathcal{I})$  and  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta^*, \partial, \mathcal{I})$ -continuous.  $\Box$ 

**Corollary 1 (Theorem 1 in [30]).** Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \varphi)$  be two topological spaces and A and B be two mutually dual expansions on Y. Then a mapping  $f: X \to Y$  is continuous if and only if f is A expansion continuous and B expansion continuous.

*Proof.* Take  $\alpha$  = identity operator,  $\beta$  = Int, $\theta$  = A,  $\theta^*$  = B,  $\partial$  = identity operator and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ , then the result follows from Theorem 2.

**Corollary 2 (Corollary 28 in [10]).** Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \varphi)$  be two topological spaces. A mapping  $f : X \to Y$  is continuous if and only of f is almost continuous and  $f^{-1}(V) \subset Intf^{-1}(\partial_s V)^c$  for each open set  $V \in \varphi$ 

*Proof.* Almost continuous equals  $(id, Int, Int \ closure, id, \{\emptyset\})$ -continuous. Since the operator  $\Lambda : P(X) \to P(X)$  where

$$\Lambda(A) = (\partial_s A)^c = A \cup (Int \ closure \ A)^c$$

is mutually dual with the Int closure A operator, the result follows from Theorem 2.  $\hfill \Box$ 

In the set  $\Phi$  of all operators on a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  a partial order can be defined by the relation  $\alpha < \beta$  if and only if  $\alpha(A) \subset \beta(A)$  for any  $A \in P(X)$ .

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**Theorem 3.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \varphi)$  be two topological spaces,  $\mathcal{I}$  an ideal on X,  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  operators on  $(X, \tau)$  and  $\partial, \theta$  and  $\theta^*$  operators on  $(Y, \varphi)$  with  $\theta < \theta^*$ . If  $f : X \to Y$  is  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta, \partial, \mathcal{I})$ -continuous then it is  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta^*, \partial, \mathcal{I})$ -continuous, provided that  $\beta$  is a monotone operator.

*Proof.* Since f is  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta, \partial, \mathcal{I})$ -continuous, then for every open set V in  $(Y, \varphi)$  it happens that

$$\alpha\left(f^{-1}(\partial V)\right) \setminus \beta f^{-1}(\theta V) \in \mathcal{I}$$

Now we know that  $\theta < \theta^*$ , then for every  $V \in \varphi$ ,  $\theta(V) \subset \theta^*(V)$  and then  $f^{-1}(\theta V) \subset f^{-1}(\theta^* V)$  and

$$\beta f^{-1}(\theta V) \subset \beta f^{-1}(\theta^* V).$$

Therefore

$$\alpha\left(f^{-1}(\partial V)\right)\setminus\beta f^{-1}(\theta^*V)\subset\alpha\left(f^{-1}(\partial V)\right)\setminus\beta f^{-1}(\theta V)\in\mathcal{I},$$

then

$$\alpha\left(f^{-1}(\partial V)\right)\setminus\beta f^{-1}(\theta^*V)\in\mathcal{I},$$

which means that f is  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta^*, \partial, \mathcal{I})$ -continuous.

**Definition 4.** An operator  $\beta$  on the space  $(X, \tau)$  induces another operator  $Int\beta$  defined as follows

$$(Int\beta)(A) = Int(\beta(A))$$

Observe that  $Int\beta < \beta$ .

**Definition 5.** A function  $f : X \to Y$  satisfies the openness condition with respect to the operator  $\beta$  on X if for every B in Y,  $\beta f^{-1}(B) \subset \beta f^{-1}(IntB)$ .

Remark. If  $\beta$  is the interior operator it is routine verification to prove that the openness condition with respect to  $\beta$  is equivalent to the condition of being open.

**Theorem 4.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \varphi)$  be two topological spaces. If  $f : X \to Y$  is  $(\alpha, \beta, \theta, \partial, \mathcal{I})$  continuous and satisfies the openness condition with respect to the operator  $\beta$ , then f is  $(\alpha, \beta, Int\theta, \partial, \mathcal{I})$  continuous.

*Proof.* Let V be an open set in  $(Y, \varphi)$  we have that

$$\alpha\left(f^{-1}(\partial V)\right)\setminus\beta f^{-1}(\theta V)\in\mathcal{I}$$

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since f satisfies the openness condition with respect to the operator  $\beta$ , then

$$\beta f^{-1}(\theta V) \subset \beta f^{-1}(Int\theta V).$$

since

$$\alpha\left(f^{-1}(\partial V)\right) \setminus \beta f^{-1}(Int\theta V) \subset \alpha\left(f^{-1}(\partial V)\right) \setminus \beta f^{-1}(\theta V) \in \mathcal{I}$$

it follows that f is  $(\alpha, \beta, Int\theta, \partial, \mathcal{I})$  continuous.

**Corollary 3 (Theorem 2.3 [27]).** Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \varphi)$  be two topological spaces. If  $f : X \to Y$  is weakly continuous and open then it is almost continuous.

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ .  $\alpha$  = identity operator,  $\beta = Int$ ,  $\partial$  = identity operator and  $\theta$  = closure operator then the result follows from Theorem 4.

**Corollary 4.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \varphi)$  be two topological spaces. If  $f : X \to Y$  is very weakly continuous and open, then it is weak almost continuous.

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ ,  $\alpha$  = identity operator,  $\beta = Int$ ,  $\partial$  = identity operator and  $\theta$  = ker closure operator, then the result follows from Theorem 3.

# 2 Some results on $(\alpha, Int, \theta, \partial, \{\emptyset\})$ -continuous maps

**Definition 6.** Let  $\beta$  be an operator in a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ . We say that  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\beta - T_1$  if for every pair of points  $x, y \in X, x \neq y$  there exists open sets V and W such that  $x \in V$  and  $y \notin \beta V$  and  $y \in W$  and  $x \notin \beta W$ .

Observe that if  $\beta$  is the closure operator Cl then a space  $(X, \tau)$  is  $T_2$  if and only if it is  $Cl - T_1$ .

**Theorem 5.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \varphi)$  be two topological spaces,  $\alpha$  an operator on  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $\theta$  and  $\partial$  operators on  $(Y, \varphi)$  and  $(Y, \varphi)$  a  $\theta - T_1$  space. If  $f : X \to Y$  is  $(\alpha, Int, \theta, \partial, \{\emptyset\})$  continuous and  $A \subset \alpha(A)$  for all  $A \subset X$ , then f has closed point inverses.

*Proof.* Let  $q \in Y$  and let  $a \in A = \{x \in X : f(x) \neq q\}$ . Then there exists open sets V and V' in  $(Y, \varphi)$  such that  $f(a) \in V$  and  $q \notin \theta V$ . By hypothesis

$$\alpha\left(f^{-1}(\partial V)\right) \subset Intf^{-1}(\theta V)$$

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so there exists an open set U in  $(X, \tau)$  such that

$$\alpha\left(f^{-1}(\partial V)\right) \subset U \subset f^{-1}(\theta V)$$

so  $f(U) \subset \theta V$ . If  $b \in U \cap A^c$  then  $f(b) \in \theta V$  and  $f(b) = q \notin \theta V$  therefore  $a \in U$  and  $U \subset A$ , therefore  $\{x \in X : f(x) \neq q\}$  is open.

**Corollary 5 (Theorem 6 in [31]).** Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \varphi)$  be two topological spaces. Let  $f : X \to Y$  be a weakly continuous function. If Y is Hausdorff then f has closed point inverses.

*Proof.* Let  $\alpha$  = identity operator,  $\beta = Int$ ,  $\partial$  = identity operator,  $\theta$  = Closure operator and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ , then the result follows from Theorem 5.

**Theorem 6.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \varphi)$  be two topological spaces.  $\alpha$  an operator on  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $\theta$  and  $\partial$  operators on  $(Y, \varphi)$ ,  $A \subset \alpha(A) \forall A$ ,  $A \subset X$ . If  $f : X \to Y$ is  $(\alpha, Int, \theta, \partial, \{\emptyset\})$  continuous and K is a compact subset of X, then f(K) is  $\theta$  compact on Y.

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{V}$  be an open cover of f(K) and suppose without lost of generality that each  $V \in \mathcal{V}$  satisfies  $V \cap f(K) \neq \emptyset$ . Then for each  $k \in K$ ,  $f(k) \in V_k$  for some  $V_k \in \mathcal{V}$ . Since f is  $(\alpha, Int, \theta, \partial, \{\emptyset\})$ -continuous, for each  $k \in K$  there exists an open set  $W_k$  in X such that

$$\alpha\left(f^{-1}(\partial V_k)\right) \subset W_k \subset f^{-1}(\theta V_k).$$

Also since  $f^{-1}(\partial V_k) \subset \alpha \left( f^{-1}(\partial V_k) \right)$  for every  $k \in K$  we have that the collection  $\{ W_k : k \in K \}$  is an open cover of K, so there exists  $k_1, ..., k_n$  such that

$$K\subset \bigcup_{i=1}(W_{k_i}).$$
 Then  $f(K)\subset \bigcup_{i=1}f(W_{k_i}).$  Therefore 
$$f(K)\subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n\theta V_{k_i}$$

which means that f(K) is  $\theta$ -compact.

**Corollary 6 (Theorem 7 in [31]).** Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \varphi)$  be two topological spaces. Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a weakly continuous map and K a compact subset of X then f(K) is an almost compact subset of Y.

*Proof.* Let  $\alpha$  = identity operator on X,  $\beta = Int$ ,  $\theta$  = closure operator on Y,  $\partial$  = identity operator and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ .

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**Corollary 7 (Theorem 3.2 in [25]).** Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \varphi)$  be two topological spaces. Let  $f : X \to Y$  be an almost continuous map and K a compact subset of X, then f(K) is nearly compact.

*Proof.* Let  $\alpha$  = identity operator on  $X, \beta = Int, \theta$  = closure operator on  $Y, \partial$  = identity operator and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ .

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