

REMARKS ON $\alpha\hat{g}$ -HOMEOMORPHISMS

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Abstract. In this paper we introduce new generalizations of homeomorphisms called $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphisms and strongly $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphisms and study some of their properties in topological spaces.

1. INTRODUCTION

Njåstad [17] introduced α -open sets. Maki et al.[13] have generalized the concepts of closed sets to α -generalized closed (briefly αg -closed) sets which are strictly weaker than α -closed sets. Veera Kumar [20] defined \hat{g} -closed sets. Recently, Abd El Monsef et al.[1] have introduced $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed sets which lie between α -closed sets and αg -closed sets in topological spaces. Maki et al.[14] introduced generalized-homeomorphisms (briefly g -homeomorphisms) and gc -homeomorphisms which are generalizations of homeomorphisms in topological spaces. The purpose of this paper is to introduce $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphisms and strongly $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphisms and investigate some of their properties in topological spaces.

2. PRELIMINARIES

Throughout this paper (X, τ) , (Y, σ) and (Z, η) (or simply X , Y and Z) represent topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed unless otherwise mentioned. For a subset A of X , $Cl(A)$ and $Int(A)$ denote the closure of A and the interior of A respectively.

We recall the following definitions which are useful in the sequel.

Definition 2.1. *A subset A of a space (X, τ) is called*

- (1) *semi-open [10] if $A \subseteq Cl(Int(A))$.*
- (2) *α -open [17] if $A \subseteq Int(Cl(Int(A)))$.*

The complement of a semi-open (resp. α -open) set is called semi-closed (resp. α -closed).

The α -closure [17] (resp. semi-closure [5]) of a subset A of X , denoted by $\alpha Cl(A)$ (resp. $sCl(A)$) is defined to be the intersection of all α -closed (resp. semi-closed) sets containing A .

The α -interior [17] of a subset A of X , denoted by $\alpha Int(A)$ is defined to be the

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union of all α -open sets contained in A .

For a topological space (X, τ) , the subset A of (X, τ) is α -closed (resp. semi-closed) if and only if $\alpha Cl(A) = A$ (resp. $sCl(A) = A$).

Definition 2.2. A subset A of a space (X, τ) is called

- (1) *generalized closed (briefly g-closed) [11]* if $Cl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in (X, τ) .
- (2) *generalized semi-closed (briefly gs-closed) [2]* if $sCl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in (X, τ) .
- (3) *semi-generalized closed (briefly sg-closed) set [4]* if $sCl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is semi-open set in (X, τ) .
- (4) *α -generalized closed (briefly αg -closed) [13]* if $\alpha Cl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in (X, τ) .
- (5) *\hat{g} -closed [20]* if $Cl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is semi-open in (X, τ) .
The complement of \hat{g} -closed set is called \hat{g} -open.
- (6) *α - \hat{g} -closed (briefly $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed) [1]* if $\alpha Cl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is \hat{g} -open in (X, τ) .

The complement of a g -closed (resp. gs -closed, sg -closed, αg -closed, $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed) set is called g -open (resp. gs -open, sg -open, αg -open, $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open).

Definition 2.3. A map $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called

- (1) *α -continuous [16]* if $f^{-1}(V)$ is α -closed in (X, τ) for every closed set V in (Y, σ) .
- (2) *generalized continuous (briefly g-continuous) [3]* if $f^{-1}(V)$ is g -closed in (X, τ) for every closed set V in (Y, σ) .
- (3) *semi-generalized continuous (briefly sg-continuous) [19]* if $f^{-1}(V)$ is sg -closed in (X, τ) for every closed set V in (Y, σ) .
- (4) *generalized semi-continuous (briefly gs-continuous) [8]* if $f^{-1}(V)$ is gs -closed in (X, τ) for every closed set V in (Y, σ) .
- (5) *$\alpha\hat{g}$ -continuous [9]* if $f^{-1}(V)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (X, τ) for every closed set V in (Y, σ) .
- (6) *α -closed (resp. α -open) [16]* if the image of every closed (resp. open) set in (X, τ) is α -closed (resp. α -open) set in (Y, σ) .
- (7) *pre- α -closed (resp. pre- α -open) [6]* if $f(F)$ is α -closed (resp. α -open) in (Y, σ) for every α -closed (resp. α -open) set F in (X, τ) .
- (8) *generalized closed (briefly g-closed) (resp. g-open) [15]* if the image of every closed (resp. open) set in (X, τ) is g -closed (resp. g -open) in (Y, σ) .
- (9) *generalized semi-closed (briefly gs-closed) (resp. gs-open) [7]* if the image of every closed (resp. open) set in (X, τ) is gs -closed (resp. gs -open) in (Y, σ) .
- (10) *semi-generalized closed (briefly sg-closed) (resp. sg-open) [7]* if the image of every closed (resp. open) set in (X, τ) is sg -closed (resp. sg -open) in (Y, σ) .

- (11) $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed (resp. $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open) [9] if the image of every closed (resp. open) set in (X, τ) is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed (resp. $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open) in (Y, σ) .
- (12) strongly $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed (resp. strongly $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open) [18] if the image of every $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed (resp. $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open) set in (X, τ) is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed (resp. $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open) in (Y, σ) .
- (13) α -irresolute [12] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is α -open in (X, τ) for every α -open set V in (Y, σ) .
- (14) g -irresolute [3] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is g -closed in (X, τ) for every g -closed set V in (Y, σ) .
- (15) $\alpha\hat{g}$ -irresolute [9] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is an $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (X, τ) for every $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed set V in (Y, σ) .
- (16) α -homeomorphism [6] if f is bijective, α -irresolute and pre- α -closed.
- (17) generalized-homeomorphism (briefly g -homeomorphism) [14] if f is bijective, g -open and g -continuous.
- (18) semi-generalized homeomorphism (briefly sg -homeomorphism) [8] if f is bijective, sg -open and sg -continuous.
- (19) generalized semi-homeomorphism (briefly gs -homeomorphism) [8] if f is bijective, gs -open and gs -continuous.
- (20) g -homeomorphism [14] if f is bijective, g -irresolute and it's inverse is g -irresolute.

Remark 2.4. It is easily shown that $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is

- (i). α -irresolute if and only if $f^{-1}(V)$ is α -closed in (X, τ) for every α -closed set V in (Y, σ) .
- (ii). $\alpha\hat{g}$ -irresolute if and only if $f^{-1}(V)$ is an $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open in (X, τ) for every $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open set V in (Y, σ) .

3. $\alpha\hat{g}$ -HOMEOMORPHISMS

We introduce the following definition.

Definition 3.1. A bijective map $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is called an $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism if f is both $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open and $\alpha\hat{g}$ -continuous.

Theorem 3.2. Every homeomorphism is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism.

Proof. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a homeomorphism. Then f is bijective, open and continuous map. Let U be an open set in (X, τ) . Since f is an open map, $f(U)$ is an open set in (Y, σ) . Every open set is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open and hence $f(U)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open in (Y, σ) . This implies f is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open. Let V be a closed set in (Y, σ) . Since f is continuous, $f^{-1}(V)$ is closed in (X, τ) . Thus $f^{-1}(V)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (X, τ) and therefore, f is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -continuous. Hence, f is an $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism. \square

Remark 3.3. The converse of Theorem 3.2 need not be true as shown in the following example.

Example 3.4. Let $X = \{a, b, c\} = Y$ with topologies $\tau = \{\phi, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, Y\}$, respectively. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be the identity map. Then f is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open and $\alpha\hat{g}$ -continuous. Hence f is an $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism.

However, $f^{-1}(\{a, c\}) = \{a, c\}$ is not closed in (X, τ) where $\{a, c\}$ is closed in (Y, σ) and hence, f is not continuous. Therefore, f is not a homeomorphism.

Proposition 3.5. *For any bijective map $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ the following statements are equivalent.*

- (a). $f^{-1} : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (X, \tau)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -continuous map.
- (b). f is an $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open map.
- (c). f is an $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed map.

Proof. (a) \Rightarrow (b). Let U be an open set in (X, τ) . Then $X - U$ is closed in (X, τ) . Since f^{-1} is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -continuous $(f^{-1})^{-1}(X - U)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (Y, σ) . That is $f(X - U) = Y - f(U)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (Y, σ) . This implies $f(U)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open in (Y, σ) . Hence f is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open map.

(b) \Rightarrow (c). Let F be a closed set in (X, τ) . Then $X - F$ is open in (X, τ) . Since f is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open, $f(X - F)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open in (Y, σ) . That is $Y - f(F)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open in (Y, σ) . This implies $f(F)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (Y, σ) . Hence f is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed map.

(c) \Rightarrow (a). Let V be closed set in (X, τ) . Since f is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed map, $f(V)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (Y, σ) . That is $(f^{-1})^{-1}(V)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (Y, σ) . Hence f^{-1} is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -continuous. \square

Proposition 3.6. *Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a bijective and $\alpha\hat{g}$ -continuous map. Then the following statements are equivalent.*

- (a). f is an $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open map.
- (b). f is an $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism.
- (c). f is an $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed map.

Proof. (a) \Rightarrow (b). Let f be an $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open map. By hypothesis, f is bijective and $\alpha\hat{g}$ -continuous. Thus f is an $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism.

(b) \Rightarrow (c). Let f be an $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism. Then f is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open. By the Proposition 3.5, f is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed.

(c) \Rightarrow (a) is obtained from Proposition 3.5. \square

Theorem 3.7. *Every α -homeomorphism is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism.*

Proof. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be an α -homeomorphism. Then f is bijective, α -irresolute and pre- α -closed. Let F be closed in (X, τ) . Then F is α -closed in (X, τ) . Since f is pre- α -closed, $f(F)$ is α -closed in (Y, σ) . Every α -closed set is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed and hence $f(F)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (Y, σ) . This implies f is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed map. Let V be a closed set of (Y, σ) . Then V is α -closed in (Y, σ) . Since f is α -irresolute $f^{-1}(V)$ is α -closed in (X, τ) . Thus $f^{-1}(V)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (X, τ) . Therefore f is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -continuous. By Proposition 3.5, f is an $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism. \square

Remark 3.8. *The following example shows that the converse of Theorem 3.7 need not be true.*

Example 3.9. *Let $X = \{a, b, c\} = Y$ with topologies $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a, b\}, Y\}$, respectively. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be the identity map. Then f is not an α -homeomorphism, because $f(\{b\}) = \{b\}$ is not α -closed in (Y, σ) where $\{b\}$ is α -closed in (X, τ) . However, f is an $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism.*

Remark 3.10. Next example shows that the composition of two $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphisms is not always an $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism.

Example 3.11. Let $X = Y = Z = \{a, b, c\}$ with topologies $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$, $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, Y\}$ and $\eta = \{\phi, \{a, b\}, Z\}$, respectively. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ and $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ be two identity maps. Then both f and g are $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphisms. The set $\{a, c\}$ is open in (X, τ) but $(g \circ f)(\{a, c\}) = \{a, c\}$ is not $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open in (Z, η) . This implies that $g \circ f$ is not $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open and hence $g \circ f$ is not $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism.

Theorem 3.12. Every $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism is gs -homeomorphism.

Proof. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be an $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism. Then f is bijective, $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open and $\alpha\hat{g}$ -continuous map. Let U be open in (X, τ) . Then $f(U)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open in (Y, σ) . Every $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open set is gs -open and hence, $f(U)$ is gs -open. This implies f is gs -open map. Let V be closed set in (Y, σ) . Then $f^{-1}(V)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (X, τ) . Hence $f^{-1}(V)$ is gs -closed in (X, τ) . This implies f is gs -continuous. Hence f is gs -homeomorphism. \square

Remark 3.13. The following example shows that the converse of Theorem 3.12 need not be true.

Example 3.14. Let $X = \{a, b, c\} = Y$ with topologies $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, Y\}$, respectively. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be the identity map. Then f is gs -homeomorphism, but f is not $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism because $f(\{b\}) = \{b\}$ is not $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open in (Y, σ) , where $\{b\}$ is open in (X, τ) .

Remark 3.15. The following examples show that the concepts of $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphisms and g -homeomorphisms are independent of each other.

Example 3.16. Let $X = \{a, b, c\} = Y$ with topologies $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, Y\}$, respectively. Define a map $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = b, f(b) = a$ and $f(c) = c$. Clearly, f is an $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism. The set $\{a, c\}$ is open in (X, τ) but $f(\{a, c\}) = \{b, c\}$ is not g -open in (Y, σ) . This implies f is not g -open map. Therefore f is not g -homeomorphism.

Example 3.17. Let $X = \{a, b, c\} = Y$ with topologies $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, Y\}$. Define a map $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = b, f(b) = c, f(c) = a$. The set $\{a\}$ is open in (X, τ) but $f(\{a\}) = \{b\}$ is not $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open in (Y, σ) . This shows that f is not $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open map. Hence f is not $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism. However, f is g -homeomorphism.

Remark 3.18. $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphisms and sg -homeomorphisms are independent of each other as shown below. The function f defined in Example 3.16 is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism. $f^{-1}(\{a, c\}) = \{b, c\}$ is not sg -closed in (X, τ) where $\{a, c\}$ is closed in (Y, σ) implies f is not sg -continuous and hence, f is not a sg -homeomorphism.

Example 3.19. Let $X = \{a, b, c\} = Y$ with topologies $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, Y\}$, respectively. Define a map $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ by $f(a) = b, f(b) = a$ and $f(c) = c$. Clearly, f is a sg-homeomorphism. The set $\{a\}$ is open in (X, τ) but $f(\{a\}) = \{b\}$ is not $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open in (Y, σ) . This implies f is not $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open map and hence f is not $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism.

4. STRONGLY $\alpha\hat{g}$ -HOMEOMORPHISMS

Definition 4.1. A bijection $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be strongly $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism if f is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -irresolute and its inverse f^{-1} is also $\alpha\hat{g}$ -irresolute.

Theorem 4.2. Every strongly $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism.

Proof. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be strongly $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism. Let U be open in (X, τ) . Then U is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open in (X, τ) . Since f^{-1} is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -irresolute, $(f^{-1})^{-1}(U)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open in (Y, σ) . That is $f(U)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open in (Y, σ) . This implies f is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open map. Let F be closed in (Y, σ) . Then F is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (Y, σ) . Since f is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -irresolute, $f^{-1}(F)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (X, τ) . This implies f is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -continuous map. Hence f is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism. \square

Remark 4.3. The following example shows that the converse of Theorem 4.2 need not be true.

Example 4.4. Let $X = \{a, b, c\} = Y$ with topologies $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, Y\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be the identity map. Clearly, f is an $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism. The set $\{a, c\}$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (Y, σ) , but $f^{-1}(\{a, c\}) = \{a, c\}$ is not $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (X, τ) . So, f is not $\alpha\hat{g}$ -irresolute and hence f is not strongly $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism.

Theorem 4.5. The composition of two strongly $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism is strongly $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism.

Proof. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ and $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ be two strongly $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphisms. Let F be an $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed set in (Z, η) . Since g is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -irresolute map, $g^{-1}(F)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (Y, σ) . Since f is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -irresolute, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F))$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (X, τ) . That is $(g \circ f)^{-1}(F)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (X, τ) . This implies that $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -irresolute. Let V be an $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (X, τ) . Since f^{-1} is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -irresolute $(f^{-1})^{-1}(V)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (Y, σ) . That is $f(V)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (Y, σ) . Since g^{-1} is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -irresolute, $(g^{-1})^{-1}(f(V))$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (Z, η) . That is $g(f(V))$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (Z, η) . So, $(g \circ f)(V)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (Z, η) . This implies $((g \circ f)^{-1})^{-1}(V)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (Z, η) . This shows that $(g \circ f)^{-1} : (Z, \eta) \rightarrow (X, \tau)$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -irresolute. Hence $g \circ f$ is strongly $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism. \square

We denote the family of all strongly $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphisms of a topological space (X, τ) onto itself by $sa\hat{g}\text{-}h(X, \tau)$.

Theorem 4.6. The set $sa\hat{g}\text{-}h(X, \tau)$ is a group under the composition of mappings.

Proof. By Theorem 4.5, $g \circ f \in s\alpha\hat{g}\text{-}h(X, \tau)$ for all $f, g \in s\alpha\hat{g}\text{-}h(X, \tau)$. It is known that the composition of mappings is associative. The identity map $I : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \tau)$ belonging to $s\alpha\hat{g}\text{-}h(X, \tau)$ serves as the identity element. If $f \in s\alpha\hat{g}\text{-}h(X, \tau)$, then $f^{-1} \in s\alpha\hat{g}\text{-}h(X, \tau)$ such that $f \circ f^{-1} = f^{-1} \circ f = I$ and so inverse exists for each element of $s\alpha\hat{g}\text{-}h(X, \tau)$. Hence, $s\alpha\hat{g}\text{-}h(X, \tau)$ is a group under the composition of mappings. \square

Theorem 4.7. *Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a strongly $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism. Then f induces an isomorphism from the group $s\alpha\hat{g}\text{-}h(X, \tau)$ onto the group $s\alpha\hat{g}\text{-}h(Y, \sigma)$.*

Proof. Using the map f , we define a map $\theta_f : s\alpha\hat{g}\text{-}h(X, \tau) \rightarrow s\alpha\hat{g}\text{-}h(Y, \sigma)$ by $\theta_f(k) = f \circ k \circ f^{-1}$ for every $k \in s\alpha\hat{g}\text{-}h(X, \tau)$. Then θ_f is a bijection. Further, for all $k_1, k_2 \in s\alpha\hat{g}\text{-}h(X, \tau)$, $\theta_f(k_1 \circ k_2) = f \circ (k_1 \circ k_2) \circ f^{-1} = (f \circ k_1 \circ f^{-1}) \circ (f \circ k_2 \circ f^{-1}) = \theta_f(k_1) \circ \theta_f(k_2)$. Therefore θ_f is a homeomorphism and so it is an isomorphism induced by f . \square

Remark 4.8. *Strongly $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphisms and α -homeomorphisms are independent notions as shown in the following examples.*

Example 4.9. *Let $X = \{a, b, c\} = Y$, with topologies $\tau = \{\phi, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, Y\}$, respectively. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be the identity map. Clearly f is strongly $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism. $f^{-1}(\{a, c\}) = \{a, c\}$ is not α -closed in (X, τ) where $\{a, c\}$ is α -closed in (Y, σ) . This shows that f is not α -irresolute and hence f is not α -homeomorphism.*

Example 4.10. *Let $X = \{a, b, c\} = Y$ with topologies $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, Y\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be the identity map. $f^{-1}(\{a, b\}) = \{a, b\}$ is not $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (X, τ) where $\{a, b\}$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (Y, σ) . This implies f is not $\alpha\hat{g}$ -irresolute and hence f is not strongly $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism. However, f is an α -homeomorphism.*

Remark 4.11. *The concepts of strongly $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphisms and $g\hat{c}$ -homeomorphisms are independent of each other as the following examples show.*

Example 4.12. *Let $X = \{a, b, c\} = Y$ with topologies $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, Y\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be the identity map. Then f is strongly $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism, but it is not $g\hat{c}$ -homeomorphism because $f^{-1}(\{b\}) = \{b\}$ is not g -closed in (X, τ) , where $\{b\}$ is g -closed in (Y, σ) .*

Example 4.13. *Let $X = \{a, b, c\} = Y$ with topologies $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and $\sigma = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, Y\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be the identity map. The set $\{b\}$ is $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (Y, σ) , but $f^{-1}(\{b\}) = \{b\}$ is not $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed in (X, τ) . This implies f is not $\alpha\hat{g}$ -irresolute and hence f is not strongly $\alpha\hat{g}$ -homeomorphism. However, f is a $g\hat{c}$ -homeomorphism.*

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