



MINIMAL WEAKLY AND MAXIMAL WEAKLY CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS
IN TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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ABSTRACT

In this paper a new class of functions called minimal weakly continuous and maximal weakly continuous functions are introduced and investigated and during this process some properties of the new concepts have been studied.

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1. INTRODUCTION

In the year 2001 and 2003, F.Nakaoka and N.oda [1] [2] [3] introduced and studied minimal open [resp. Minimal closed] sets which are subclass of open [resp.closed sets]. The family of all minimal open [minimal closed] in a topological space X is denoted by $m_o(X)$ [$m_c(X)$]. Similarly the family of all maximal open [maximal closed] sets in a topological space X is denoted by $M_aO(X)$ [$M_aC(X)$]. The complements of minimal open sets and maximal open sets are called maximal closed sets and minimal closed sets respectively. In the year 2000, M.Sheik john [4] introduced and studied weakly closed sets and weakly open sets in topological space. In the year 2008 B.M.Ittanagi [5] introduced and studied minimal open sets and maps in topological spaces. In the year 2014 R.S.Wali and Vivekananda Dembre[6] [7] introduced and studied minimal weakly open sets and maximal weakly closed sets and maximal weakly open sets and minimal weakly closed sets in topological spaces.

1.1 Definition [1]: A proper non-empty open subset U of a topological space X is said to be minimal open set if any open set which is contained in U is \emptyset or U .

1.2 Definition [2]: A proper non-empty open subset U of a topological space X is said to be maximal open set if any open set which is contained in U is X or U .

1.3 Definition [3]: A proper non-empty closed subset F of a topological space X is said to be minimal closed set if any closed set which is contained in F is \emptyset or F & A proper non-empty closed subset F of a topological space X is said to be maximal closed set if any closed set which is contained in F is X or F .

1.4 Definition [4]: A subset A of (X, τ) is called weakly closed set if $Cl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is semi-open in X and A subset A in (X, τ) is called weakly open set in X if A° is weakly closed set in X .

1.5 Definition [4]: Let X and Y be the topological spaces. A map $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called Weakly continuous function if for every weakly open set N in Y , $f^{-1}(N)$ is an open set in X .

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1.6 Definition [5]: Let X and Y be the topological spaces. A map $f : X \longrightarrow Y$ is called

- (i) Minimal continuous function if for every minimal open set N in Y , $f^{-1}(N)$ is an open set in X .
- (ii) Maximal continuous function if for every maximal open set N in Y , $f^{-1}(N)$ is an open set in X .

1.7 Definition [6]: A proper non-empty weakly open subset U of X is said to be minimal weakly open set if any weakly open set which is contained in U is \emptyset or U .

1.8 Definition [7]: A proper non-empty weakly closed subset U of X is said to be maximal weakly open set if any weakly open set which is contained in U is X or U .

2. MINIMAL WEAKLY CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS

2.1 Definition : Let X and Y be topological spaces. A function $f: X \longrightarrow Y$ is said to be minimal weakly continuous if for every minimal weakly open set N in Y , $f^{-1}(N)$ is an open set in X .

2.2 Theorem: Every continuous function is minimal weakly continuous.

Proof: Let $f : X \longrightarrow Y$ be a continuous function . Let N be any minimal weakly open set in Y , since every minimal weakly open set is an open set. We have N is an open set in Y . Since f is continuous, $f^{-1}(N)$ is an open set in X . Therefore f is a minimal weakly continuous.

2.3 Remark: The converse of the above theorem 2.2 need not be true.

2.4 Example: Let $X=Y=\{a,b,c\}$ be with $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{a,b\}\}$ and $\mu = \{Y, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a,b\}\}$. Let $f : X \longrightarrow Y$ be function defined by $f(a) = a, f(b) = a, f(c) = c$ then f is minimal weakly continuous but not continuous.

2.5 Theorem: Let X and Y be topological spaces. A function $f : X \longrightarrow Y$ is minimal weakly continuous iff the inverse image of each maximal weakly closed set in Y is a closed set.

Proof: Assume that f is minimal weakly continuous and let M be any maximal weakly closed set in Y , $Y-M$ is a minimal weakly open set in Y . Since f is minimal weakly continuous, $f^{-1}(Y-M)$ is an open set in X .

But $f^{-1}(Y-M) = X - f^{-1}(M)$ is an open set in X . Therefore $f^{-1}(M)$ is a closed set in X . Conversely, Suppose $f^{-1}(M)$ is a closed set in X for every maximal weakly closed set M in Y . Let N be any minimal weakly open set in Y , then $Y-N$ is a maximal weakly closed set in Y , So by hypothesis $f^{-1}(Y-N) = X - f^{-1}(N)$ is a closed set in X . Therefore $f^{-1}(N)$ is an open set in X . Therefore f is minimal weakly continuous.

2.6 Theorem: Let X and Y be topological spaces then $f: X \longrightarrow Y$ is minimal weakly continuous then $f(Cl(M)) \subset Cl(f(M))$ for every maximal weakly closed set M in X .

Proof: Let M be any maximal weakly closed set in X and $Cl(M)=M$. Now $f [Cl(M)] = f(M) \subset Cl(f(M))$, for every maximal weakly closed set M in X .

2.7 Theorem: Let X and Y be topological spaces then $f : X \longrightarrow Y$ is minimal weakly continuous iff for any point $P \in X$ and for any minimal weakly open set N in Y containing $f(P)$ there exists an open set M in X such that $P \in M$ and $f(M) \subset N$.

Proof: Let N be any minimal weakly open set in Y containing $f(P)$ for any point $P \in M$ where M is an open set in X . Since f is minimal weakly continuous $f^{-1}(N)$ is an open set in X . Take $M = f^{-1}(N)$ we have $f(M) \subset N$. Conversely, Let N be any minimal weakly open set in Y by hypothesis there exists an open set M in X , Such that $P \in M, f(P) \in f(M) \subset N, P \in f^{-1}(f(M)) \subset f^{-1}(N)$ thus $f^{-1}(N)$ is an open set in X ; therefore f is minimal weakly continuous.

2.8 Theorem: Let X and Y be topological spaces and let A be a non-empty subset of X . If $f : X \longrightarrow Y$ is minimal weakly continuous then the restriction function $f_A : A \longrightarrow Y$ is minimal weakly continuous where A has the relative topology.

Proof: Let A be a non-empty subset of a topological space X and Let N be any minimal weakly open set in Y . Since f is minimal weakly continuous, $f^{-1}(N)$ is an open set in X . By definition of relative topology $f_A^{-1}(N) = A \cap f^{-1}(N)$. Therefore $A \cap f^{-1}(N)$ is an open set in A ; therefore f_A is minimal weakly continuous.

2.9 Remark: The composition of minimal weakly continuous need not be a minimal weakly continuous.

2.10 Example: Let $X = Y = Z = \{a, b, c\}$ be with $\tau = \{X, \varphi, \{a, b\}\}$, $\mu = \{Y, \varphi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ and $\sigma = \{Z, \varphi, \{a\}\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \mu)$ be a function defined by $f(a)=c, f(b)=c$ & $f(c)=C$ and $g : (Y, \mu) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$ be identity function then f and g are minimal weakly continuous but $\text{gof} : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$ is not minimal weakly continuous where $\text{gof} : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$ be identity function.

2.11 Remark: If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous and $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ is minimal weakly continuous then $\text{gof} : X \rightarrow Z$ is minimal weakly continuous.

3. MAXIMAL WEAKLY CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS

3.1 Definition : Let X and Y be topological spaces. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be maximal weakly continuous if for every maximal weakly open set M in Y , $f^{-1}(M)$ is an open set in X .

3.2 Theorem: Every continuous function is maximal weakly continuous.

Proof: Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a continuous function. Let M be any maximal weakly open set in Y , since every maximal weakly open set is an open set. We have M is an open set in Y . Since f is continuous, $f^{-1}(M)$ is an open set in X . Therefore f is a maximal weakly continuous.

3.3 Remark: The converse of the above theorem 3.2 need not be true.

3.4 Example: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ with $\tau = \{X, \varphi, \{a, b\}\}$ and $\mu = \{Y, \varphi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be an identity function then f is maximal weakly continuous but not continuous.

3.5 Remark: Maximal weakly continuous and minimal weakly continuous are independent.

3.6 Example: Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ with $\tau_1 = \{X, \varphi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ and $\mu_1 = \{Y, \varphi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$.

Let $f : (X, \tau_1) \rightarrow (Y, \mu_1)$ be an identity function then f is minimal weakly continuous but not maximal weakly continuous. Let $g : (X, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \mu_2)$ be an identity function then g is maximal weakly continuous but not minimal weakly continuous where $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ with $\tau_2 = \{X, \varphi, \{a, b\}\}$ and $\mu_2 = \{Y, \varphi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$.

3.7 Theorem: Let X and Y be topological spaces. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is maximal weakly continuous iff the inverse image of each minimal weakly closed set in Y is a closed set in X .

Proof: Assume that f is maximal weakly continuous and let N be any minimal weakly closed set in Y , $Y-N$ is a maximal weakly open set in Y . Since f is maximal weakly continuous, $f^{-1}(Y-N)$ is an open set in X .

But $f^{-1}(Y-N) = X - f^{-1}(N)$ is an open set in X . Therefore $f^{-1}(N)$ is a closed set in X . Conversely, Suppose $f^{-1}(N)$ is a closed set in X for every minimal weakly closed set N in Y . Let M be any maximal weakly open set in Y , then $Y-M$ is a minimal weakly closed set in Y , So by hypothesis $f^{-1}(Y-M) = X - f^{-1}(M)$ is a closed set in X . Therefore $f^{-1}(M)$ is an open set in X . Therefore f is maximal weakly continuous.

3.8 Theorem: Let X and Y be topological spaces. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is maximal weakly continuous then $f[\text{Cl}(N)] \subset \text{Cl}(f(N))$ for every minimal weakly closed set N in X .

Proof: Let N be any minimal weakly closed set in X and $\text{Cl}(N) = N$. Now $f(\text{Cl}(N)) = f(N)$, Now we know that $f(\text{Cl}(N)) = f(N) \subset \text{Cl}(f(N))$, for every minimal weakly closed set N in X .

3.9 Theorem: Let X and Y be topological spaces then $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is maximal weakly continuous iff for any point $P \in X$ and for any maximal weakly open set M in Y containing $f(P)$ there exists an open set N in X such that $P \in N$ and $f(N) \subset M$.

Proof: Let M be any maximal weakly open set in Y containing $f(P)$ for any point $P \in N$, where N is an open set in X . Take $N = f^{-1}(M)$ we have $f(N) \subset M$. Conversely, Let M be any maximal weakly open set in Y ; by hypothesis there exists an open set N in X , Such that $P \in N, f(P) \in f(N) \subset M$; thus $f^{-1}(M)$ is an open set in X ; therefore f is maximal weakly continuous.

3.10 Theorem: Let X and Y be topological spaces and A be a non-empty subset of X . If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is maximal weakly continuous then the restriction function $f_A : A \rightarrow Y$ is maximal weakly continuous where A has the relative topology.

Proof: Let A be a non-empty subset of a topological space X and Let M be any maximal weakly open set in Y . Since f is maximal weakly continuous, $f^{-1}(M)$ is an open set in X . By definition of relative topology $f_A^{-1}(M) = A \cap f^{-1}(M)$. Therefore $A \cap f^{-1}(M)$ is an open set in A , Therefore f_A is maximal weakly continuous.

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3.13 Remark: If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous and $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ is maximal weakly continuous then $\text{gof} : X \rightarrow Z$ is maximal weakly continuous.

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