

## On Semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -Open Sets and Semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -Continuous Functions

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**Abstract:** We study the concepts of semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open sets and semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuous functions introduced in [13] and some properties of the functions. Also we introduce notion of semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open and semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -closed functions.

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### I. Introduction

Ideal in topological space have been considered since 1930 by Kuratowski[9] and Vaidyanathaswamy[14]. After several decades, in 1990, Jankovic and Hamlett[6] investigated the topological ideals which is the generalization of general topology. Where as in 2010, Khan and Noiri[7] introduced and studied the concept of semi-local functions. The notion of semi-open sets and semi-continuity was first introduced and investigated by Levine [10] in 1963. Finally in 2005, Hatir and Noiri [4] introduced the notion of semi- $\mathcal{I}$ -open sets and semi- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuity in ideal topological spaces. Recently we introduced semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open sets and semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuity to obtain decomposition of continuity.

In this paper, we obtain several characterizations of semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open sets and semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuous functions. Also we introduce new functions semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open and semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -closed functions

### II. Preliminaries

Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space with no separation properties assumed. For a subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $\text{cl}(A)$  and  $\text{int}(A)$  denote the closure and interior of  $A$  in  $(X, \tau)$  respectively.

An ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  on a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is a nonempty collection of subsets of  $X$  which satisfies: (1)  $A \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $B \subseteq A$  implies  $B \in \mathcal{I}$  (2)  $A \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $B \in \mathcal{I}$  implies  $A \cup B \in \mathcal{I}$ .

If  $(X, \tau)$  is a topological space and  $\mathcal{I}$  is an ideal on  $X$ , then  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is called an ideal topological space or an ideal space.

Let  $P(X)$  be the power set of  $X$ . Then the operator  $(\cdot)^*$ :  $P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$  called a local function [9] of  $A$  with respect to  $\tau$  and  $\mathcal{I}$ , is defined as follows: for  $A \subseteq X$ ,  $A^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau) = \{x \in X / U \cap A \notin \mathcal{I} \text{ for every open set } U \text{ containing } x\}$ . We simply write  $A^*$  instead of  $A^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$  in case there is no confusion. For every ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  there exists topology  $\tau^*$  finer than  $\tau$ , generated by  $\beta(\mathcal{I}, \tau) = \{U \setminus J : U \in \tau \text{ and } J \in \mathcal{I}\}$  but in general  $\beta(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$  is not always a topology. Additionally  $\text{cl}^*(A) = A \cup A^*$  defines Kuratowski closure operator for a topology  $\tau^*$  finer than  $\tau$ . Throughout this paper  $X$  denotes the ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  and also  $\text{int}^*(A)$  denotes the interior of  $A$  with respect to  $\tau^*$ .

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space. A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is said to be semi-open [10] if there exists an open set  $U$  in  $X$  such that  $U \subseteq A \subseteq \text{cl}(U)$ . The complement of a semi-open set is said to be semi-closed. The collection of all semi-open (resp. semi-closed) sets in  $X$  is denoted by  $\text{SO}(X)$  (resp.  $\text{SC}(X)$ ). The semi-closure of  $A$  in  $(X, \tau)$  is denoted by the intersection of all semi-closed sets containing  $A$  and is denoted by  $\text{scl}(A)$ .

**Definition 2.2.** For  $A \subseteq X$ ,  $A_*(\mathcal{I}, \tau) = \{x \in X / U \cap A \notin \mathcal{I} \text{ for every } U \in \text{SO}(X)\}$  is called the semi-local function[7] of  $A$  with respect to  $\mathcal{I}$  and  $\tau$ , where  $\text{SO}(X, x) = \{U \in \text{SO}(X) / x \in U\}$ . We simply write  $A_*$  instead of  $A_*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$  in this case there is no ambiguity.

It is given in [2] that  $\tau^{*s}(\mathcal{I})$  is a topology on  $X$ , generated by the sub basis  $\{U - E : U \in \text{SO}(X) \text{ and } E \in \mathcal{I}\}$  or equivalently  $\tau^{*s}(\mathcal{I}) = \{U \subseteq X : \text{cl}^{*s}(X - U) = X - U\}$ . The closure operator  $\text{cl}^{*s}$  for a topology  $\tau^{*s}(\mathcal{I})$  is defined as follows: for  $A \subseteq X$ ,  $\text{cl}^{*s}(A) = A \cup A_*$  and  $\text{int}^{*s}$  denotes the interior of the set  $A$  in  $(X, \tau^{*s}, \mathcal{I})$ . It is known that  $\tau \subseteq \tau^*(\mathcal{I}) \subseteq \tau^{*s}(\mathcal{I})$ . A subset  $A$  of  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is called semi- $*$ -perfect[8] if  $A = A_*$ .  $A \subseteq (X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is called  $*$ -semi dense in-itself [8] (resp. Semi- $*$ -closed [8]) if  $A \subset A_*$  (resp.  $A_* \subseteq A$ ).

**Lemma 2.3.** [7] Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and  $A, B$  subsets of  $X$ . Then for the semi-local function the following properties hold:

1. If  $A \subseteq B$  then  $A_* \subseteq B_*$ .
2. If  $U \in \tau$  then  $U \cap A_* \subseteq (U \cap A)_*$ .
3.  $A_* = \text{scl}(A_*) \subseteq \text{scl}(A)$  and  $A_*$  is semi-closed in  $X$ .
4.  $(A_*)_* \subseteq A_*$ .
5.  $(A \cup B)_* = A_* \cup B_*$ .
6. If  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ , then  $A_* = \text{scl}(A)$ .

**Definition 2.4.** A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$  is said to be

1.  $\alpha$ -open [12] if  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)))$ ,
2. pre-open [11] if  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$ ,
3.  $\beta$ -open [1] if  $A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)))$ .

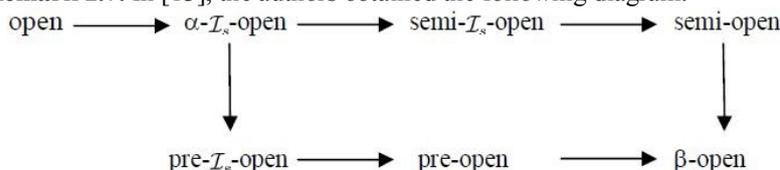
**Definition 2.5.** A subset  $A$  of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be

1.  $\alpha$ - $\mathcal{I}$ -open [4] if  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}^*(\text{int}(A)))$ ,
2. semi- $\mathcal{I}$ -open [4] if  $A \subseteq \text{cl}^*(\text{int}(A))$ ,
3. pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open [3] if  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}^*(A))$ .

**Definition 2.6.** A subset  $A$  of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be

1.  $\alpha$ - $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open [13] if  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}^{*s}(\text{int}(A)))$ ,
2. semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open [13] if  $A \subseteq \text{cl}^{*s}(\text{int}(A))$ ,
3. pre- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open [13] if  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}^{*s}(A))$ .

**Remark 2.7.** In [13], the authors obtained the following diagram:



By  $\text{SISO}(X, \tau)$ , we denote the family of all semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open sets of a space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ .

### III. Semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open sets

**Theorem 3.1.** A subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open if and only if  $\text{cl}^{*s}(A) = \text{cl}^{*s}(\text{int}(A))$ .

**Proof.** Let  $A$  be semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open, we have  $A \subseteq \text{cl}^{*s}(\text{int}(A))$ . Then  $\text{cl}^{*s}(A) \subseteq \text{cl}^{*s}(\text{int}(A))$ . Obviously  $\text{cl}^{*s}(\text{int}(A)) \subseteq \text{cl}^{*s}(A)$ . Hence  $\text{cl}^{*s}(A) = \text{cl}^{*s}(\text{int}(A))$ . The converse is obvious.

**Theorem 3.2.** A subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open if and only if there exists  $U \in \tau$  such that  $U \subseteq A \subseteq \text{cl}^{*s}(U)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $A$  be semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open, we have  $A \subseteq \text{cl}^{*s}(\text{int}(A))$ . Take  $\text{int}(A) = U$ . Then we have  $U \subseteq A \subseteq \text{cl}^{*s}(U)$ . Conversely, let  $U \subseteq A \subseteq \text{cl}^{*s}(U)$  for some  $U \in \tau$ . Since  $U \subseteq A$  we have  $U \subseteq \text{int}(A)$  and hence  $\text{cl}^{*s}(U) \subseteq \text{cl}^{*s}(\text{int}(A))$ . Thus we obtain  $A \subseteq \text{cl}^{*s}(\text{int}(A))$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** If  $A$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open set in a space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  and  $A \subseteq B \subseteq \text{cl}^{*s}(A)$ , then  $B$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ .

**Proof.** Since  $A$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open, there exists an open set  $U$  such that  $U \subseteq A \subseteq \text{cl}^{*s}(U)$ . Then we have  $U \subseteq A \subseteq B \subseteq \text{cl}^{*s}(A) \subseteq \text{cl}^{*s}(\text{cl}^{*s}(U)) = \text{cl}^{*s}(U)$  and hence  $U \subseteq B \subseteq \text{cl}^{*s}(U)$ . By Theorem 3.2, we obtain  $B$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open.

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and  $A, B$  subsets of  $X$ .

1. If  $U_\alpha \in \text{SISO}(X, \tau)$  for each  $\alpha \in \Delta$ , then  $\cup\{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\} \in \text{SISO}(X, \tau)$ ,
2. If  $A \in \text{SISO}(X, \tau)$  and  $B \in \tau$ , then  $A \cap B \in \text{SISO}(X, \tau)$ .

**Proof.**

1. Since  $U_\alpha \in \text{SISO}(X, \tau)$ , we have  $U_\alpha \subseteq \text{cl}^{*s}(\text{int}(U_\alpha))$  for each  $\alpha \in \Delta$ . Thus by using Lemma 2.3, we obtain

$$\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} U_\alpha \subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} \text{cl}^{*s}(\text{int}(U_\alpha)) \subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} \{(\text{int}(U_\alpha))_* \cup (\text{int}(U_\alpha))\} \subseteq \left( \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} (\text{int}(U_\alpha)) \right)_* \cup \text{int} \left( \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} U_\alpha \right)$$

$$\subseteq \left( \text{int} \left( \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} U_\alpha \right) \right)_* \cup \text{int} \left( \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} U_\alpha \right) = \text{cl}^{*s} \left( \text{int} \left( \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} U_\alpha \right) \right).$$

This shows that  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} U_\alpha \in \text{SISO}(X, \tau)$ .

2. Let  $A \in \text{SISO}(X, \tau)$  and  $B \in \tau$ . Then  $A \subseteq \text{cl}^{*s}(\text{int}(A))$  and by using Lemma 2.3, we have  $A \cap B \subseteq \text{cl}^{*s}(\text{int}(A)) \cap B = ((\text{int}(A))_* \cup \text{int}(A)) \cap B = ((\text{int}(A))_* \cap B) \cup (\text{int}(A) \cap B) \subseteq (\text{int}(A) \cap B)_* \cup \text{int}(A \cap B) = (\text{int}(A \cap B))_* \cup \text{int}(A \cap B) = \text{cl}^{*s}(\text{int}(A \cap B))$ . This shows that  $A \cap B \in \text{SISO}(X, \tau)$ .

**Definition3.5.** A subset  $F$  of a space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -closed if its complement is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open.

**Remark3.6.** For a subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ , we have  $X - \text{int}(\text{cl}^{*s}(A)) \neq \text{cl}^{*s}(\text{int}(X - A))$  as shown from the following example.

**Example3.7.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}\}$ . Then we put  $A = \{b\}$ , we have  $\text{cl}^{*s}(\text{int}(X - A)) = \text{cl}^{*s}(\{a\}) = \{a\}$  and  $X - \text{int}(\text{cl}^{*s}(A)) = X - \text{int}(\{b\}) = \{a, c, d\}$ .

**Theorem 3.8.** If a subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -closed, then  $\text{int}(\text{cl}^{*s}(A)) \subseteq A$ .

**Proof.** Since  $A$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -closed,  $X - A \in \text{SISO}(X, \tau)$ . Since  $\tau^{*s}(\mathcal{I})$  is finer than  $\tau$ , we have  $X - A \subseteq \text{cl}^{*s}(\text{int}(X - A)) \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(X - A)) = X - \text{int}(\text{cl}(A)) \subseteq X - \text{int}(\text{cl}^{*s}(A))$ . Therefore we obtain  $\text{int}(\text{cl}^{*s}(A)) \subseteq A$ .

**Corollary3.9.** Let  $A$  be a subset of a space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  such that  $X - \text{int}(\text{cl}^{*s}(A)) = \text{cl}^{*s}(\text{int}(X - A))$ . Then  $A$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -closed if and only if  $\text{int}(\text{cl}^{*s}(A)) \subseteq A$ .

**Proof.** This is an immediate consequence of Theorem 3.8.

**Theorem3.10.** [8] Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal space and  $A \subseteq Y \subseteq X$ , where  $Y$  is  $\alpha$ -open in  $X$ . Then  $A_*(\mathcal{I}_Y, \tau|_Y) = A_*(\mathcal{I}, \tau) \cap Y$ .

**Theorem3.11.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space. If  $Y \in \tau$  and  $W \in \text{SISO}(X)$ , then  $Y \cap W \in \text{SISO}(Y, \tau|_Y, \mathcal{I}_Y)$ .

**Proof.** Since  $Y$  is open, we have  $\text{int}_Y(A) = \text{int}(A)$  for any subset  $A$  of  $Y$ . Now  $Y \cap W \subseteq Y \cap \text{cl}^{*s}(\text{int}(W)) = Y \cap ((\text{int}(W))_* \cup \text{int}(W)) = [(Y \cap (\text{int}(W))_*) \cup (Y \cap \text{int}(W))] \cap Y = [Y \cap (Y \cap (\text{int}(W))_*)] \cup [(Y \cap \text{int}(W)) \cap Y] = Y \cap [\text{int}_Y(Y \cap W)]_* \cup (Y \cap [\text{int}_Y(Y \cap W)]) = [\text{int}_Y(Y \cap W)]_* (\mathcal{I}_Y, \tau|_Y) \cup [\text{int}_Y(Y \cap W)] = \text{cl}_Y^{*s}(\text{int}_Y(Y \cap W))$ . This shows that  $Y \cap W \in \text{SISO}(Y, \tau|_Y, \mathcal{I}_Y)$ .

#### IV. Semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuous functions

**Definition4.1.** A function  $f: (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is said to be semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuous [13] ( resp. semi- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous [4], semi-continuous [10]) if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open (resp. semi- $\mathcal{I}$ -open, semi-open) in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  for each open set  $V$  of  $(Y, \sigma)$ .

**Definition4.2.** A function  $f: (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$  is said to be  $\mathcal{I}_s$ -irresolute ( resp.  $\mathcal{I}$ -irresolute [5]) if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open (resp. semi- $\mathcal{I}$ -open) in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  for each semi- $\mathcal{J}_s$ -open set (resp. semi- $\mathcal{J}$ -open set)  $V$  of  $(Y, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$ .

**Remark4.3.** It is obvious that continuity implies semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuity, semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuity implies semi- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuity and semi- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuity implies semi-continuity.

**Theorem 4.4.** For a function  $f: (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ , the following are equivalent:

1.  $f$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuous,
2. for each  $x \in X$  and each  $V \in \sigma$  containing  $f(x)$ , there exists  $W \in \text{SISO}(X, \tau)$  containing  $x$  such that  $f(W) \subseteq V$ ,
3. the inverse image of each closed set in  $Y$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -closed.

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). Let  $x \in X$  and  $V$  be any open set of  $Y$  containing  $f(x)$ . Set  $W = f^{-1}(V)$ , then by Definition 4.1,  $W$  is a semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open set containing  $x$  and  $f(W) \subseteq V$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3). Let  $F$  be a closed set of  $Y$ . Set  $V = Y - F$ , then  $V$  is open in  $Y$ . Let  $x \in f^{-1}(V)$ , by (2), there exists a semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open set  $W$  of  $X$  containing  $x$  such that  $f(W) \subseteq V$ . Thus, we obtain  $x \in W \subseteq \text{cl}^{*s}(\text{int}(W)) \subseteq$

$\text{cl}^{*s}(\text{int}(f^{-1}(V)))$  and hence  $f^{-1}(V) \subseteq \text{cl}^{*s}(\text{int}(f^{-1}(V)))$ . This shows that  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open in  $X$ . Hence  $f^{-1}(F) = X - f^{-1}(Y - F) = X - f^{-1}(V)$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -closed in  $X$ .

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). Let  $V$  be an open set of  $Y$ . Set  $F = Y - V$ , then  $F$  is closed in  $Y$ .  $f^{-1}(V) = X - f^{-1}(Y - V) = X - f^{-1}(F)$ . By (3)  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open in  $X$ .

**Theorem 4.5.** Let  $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ , be semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuous and  $U \in \tau$ . Then the restriction  $f|_U : (U, \tau|_U, \mathcal{I}|_U) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuous.

**Proof.** Let  $V$  be any open set of  $(Y, \sigma)$ . Since  $f$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuous,  $f^{-1}(V) \in \text{SISO}(X, \tau)$  and by Theorem 3.11,  $(f|_U)^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(V) \cap U \in \text{SISO}(U, \tau|_U)$ . This shows that  $f|_U : (U, \tau|_U, \mathcal{I}|_U) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuous.

**Theorem 4.6.** For function  $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$  and  $g : (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{J}) \rightarrow (Z, \eta)$ , the following hold.

1.  $g \circ f$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuous if  $f$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuous and  $g$  is continuous.
2.  $g \circ f$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuous if  $f$  is  $\mathcal{I}_s$ -irresolute and  $g$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuous.

**Proof.** It is Obvious.

**Theorem 4.7.** A function  $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuous if and only if the graph function  $g : X \rightarrow X \times Y$ , defined by  $g(x) = (x, f(x))$  for each  $x \in X$ , is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuous.

**Proof. Necessity.** Suppose that  $f$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuous. Let  $x \in X$  and  $W$  be any open set of  $X \times Y$  containing  $g(x)$ . Then there exists a basic open set  $U \times V$  such that  $g(x) = (x, f(x)) \in U \times V \subseteq W$ . Since  $f$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuous, then there exists a semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open set  $U_o$  of  $X$  containing  $x$  such that  $f(U_o) \subseteq V$ . By Theorem 3.4  $U_o \cap U \in \text{SISO}(X, \tau)$  and  $g(U_o \cap U) \subseteq U \times V \subseteq W$ . This shows that  $g$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuous.

**Sufficiency:** Suppose that  $g$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuous. Let  $x \in X$  and  $V$  be any open set of  $Y$  containing  $f(x)$ . Then  $X \times V$  is open in  $X \times Y$  and by semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuity of  $g$ , there exists  $U \in \text{SISO}(X, \tau)$  containing  $x$  such that  $g(U) \subseteq X \times V$ . Therefore we obtain  $f(U) \subseteq V$ . This shows that  $f$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuous.

**Theorem 4.8.** Let  $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$  be semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuous and  $f^{-1}(V_*) \subseteq (f^{-1}(V))^*$  for each  $V \in \sigma$ . Then  $f$  is  $\mathcal{I}_s$ -irresolute.

**Proof.** Let  $B$  be any semi- $\mathcal{J}$ -open set of  $(Y, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$ . By Theorem 3.2, there exists  $V \in \sigma$  such that  $V \subseteq B \subseteq \text{cl}^{*s}(V)$ . Therefore, we have  $f^{-1}(V) \subseteq f^{-1}(B) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{cl}^{*s}(V)) \subseteq \text{cl}^{*s}(f^{-1}(V))$ . Since  $f$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuous and  $V \in \sigma$ ,  $f^{-1}(V) \in \text{SISO}(X, \tau)$  and hence by Theorem 3.3,  $f^{-1}(B)$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ . This shows that  $f$  is  $\mathcal{I}_s$ -irresolute.

## V. Semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open and semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -closed functions

**Definition 5.1.** A function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$  is called semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open (resp. semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -closed) if for each  $U \in \tau$  (resp.  $U$  is closed)  $f(U) \in \text{SISO}(Y, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$  (resp.  $f(U)$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -closed set).

**Definition 5.2.** [5] A function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$  is called semi- $\mathcal{I}$ -open (resp. semi- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed) if for each  $U \in \tau$  (resp.  $U$  is closed)  $f(U)$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}$ -open (resp.  $f(U)$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed) set in  $(Y, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$ .

**Remark 5.3.** 1. Every semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open (resp. semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -closed) function is semi-open (resp. semi-closed) and the converses are false in general.

2. Every semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open (resp. semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -closed) function is semi- $\mathcal{I}$ -open (resp. semi- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed) and the converses are false in general.

3. Every open function is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open but the converse is not true in general.

**Example 5.4.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a, b\}\}$ ,  $\sigma = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$  and  $\mathcal{J} = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}\}$ . Define a function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$  as follows  $f(a) = b, f(b) = c, f(c) = f(d) = a$ . Then  $f$  is semi-open, but it is not semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open.

**Example 5.5.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a, b\}\}$ ,  $\sigma = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$  and  $\mathcal{J} = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}\}$ . Define a function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$  as follows  $f(a) = a, f(b) = c, f(c) = f(d) = d$ . Then  $f$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}$ -open, but it is not semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open.

**Example 5.6.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{c\}, \{a, b, d\}\}$ ,  $\sigma = \{\emptyset, X, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$  and  $\mathcal{J} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$ . The identity function  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open, but it is not open.

**Example 5.7.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a, b\}\}$ ,  $\sigma = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$  and  $\mathcal{J} = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}\}$ . The identity function  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$  is semi-closed, but it is not semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -closed.

**Theorem 5.8.** A function  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open if and only if for each  $x \in X$  and each neighbourhood  $U$  of  $x$ , there exists  $V \in \text{SISO}(Y, \sigma)$  containing  $f(x)$  such that  $V \subseteq f(U)$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that  $f$  is a semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open function. For each  $x \in X$  and each neighbourhood  $U$  of  $x$ , there exists  $U_o \in \tau$  such that  $x \in U_o \subseteq U$ . Since  $f$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open,  $V = f(U_o) \in \text{SISO}(Y, \sigma)$  and  $f(x) \in V \subseteq f(U)$ .

Conversely, let  $U$  be an open set of  $(X, \tau)$ . For each  $x \in U$ , there exists  $V_x \in \text{SISO}(Y, \sigma)$  such that  $f(x) \in V_x \subseteq f(U)$ . Therefore we obtain  $f(U) = \cup\{V_x : x \in U\}$  and hence by Theorem 3.4,  $f(U) \in \text{SISO}(Y, \sigma)$ . This shows that  $f$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open.

**Theorem 5.9.** Let  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$  be a semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open (resp. semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -closed) function. If  $W$  is any subset of  $Y$  and  $F$  is a closed (resp. open) set of  $X$  containing  $f^{-1}(W)$ , then there exists a semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -closed (resp. semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open) subset  $H$  of  $Y$  containing  $W$  such that  $f^{-1}(H) \subseteq F$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that  $f$  is a semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open function. Let  $W$  be any subset of  $Y$  and  $F$  a closed subset of  $X$  containing  $f^{-1}(W)$ . Then  $X - F$  is open and since  $f$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open,  $f(X - F)$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open. Hence  $H = Y - f(X - F)$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -closed. It follows from  $f^{-1}(W) \subseteq F$  that  $W \subseteq H$ . Moreover we obtain  $f^{-1}(H) \subseteq F$ . For a semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -closed function can be proved similarly.

**Theorem 5.10.** For any bijective function  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$ , the following are equivalent:

1.  $f^{-1}: (X, \sigma, \mathcal{J}) \rightarrow (X, \tau)$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -continuous,
2.  $f$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -open,
3.  $f$  is semi- $\mathcal{I}_s$ -closed,

**Proof.** Obvious.

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