# SOMEWHAT CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS ON FUZZIFIED TOPOLOGICAL SPACE

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ABSTRACT: In this paper the concept of somewhat continuous functions, somewhat open functions are introduced in fuzzified topological space and some interesting properties of these functions are investigated.

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The theory of fuzzy topological spaces was introduced and developed by C.L. Chang [2] and since then various notions in classical topology have been extended to fuzzy topological spaces. The concept of somewhat functions was introduced by Karl R. Genry and Hughes B. Hoyle [3] and this concept was studied in connection with the idea of feebly continuous function and feebly open functions introduced by Zdenek Frolik [4]. In [5] G. Thangaraj and G. Balasubranian introduced these concepts in fuzzy topological spaces. In this paper we have discussed the properties of somewhat continuous and somewhat open functions in fuzzified topological spaces.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

In this section we recall some definitions and results that will be used in the sequel.

**Definition 2.1**[7] A fuzzified topology on a nonempty set X is fuzzy subset of power set of X, P(X) i.e., a function  $\tau: P(X) \to [0, 1]$ , satisfying the following conditions:

$$\tau(X) = \tau(\phi) = 1$$

 $\tau(A \cap B) \ge \tau(A) \wedge \tau(B), A, B \in P(X)$ 

 $\tau(\cup A_i) \ge \hat{\tau}(A_i)$  for any sub collection  $\{A_i\}$  of P(X).

The pair  $(X, \tau)$  will be called a fuzzified topological space (FTS).  $\tau(A)$  is the degree

of openness of A and  $\tau(A^c)$  is the degree of closedness of A, where  $A^c$  is the complement of A.

**Definition 2.2**[7] A fuzzified co-topology on a nonempty set X is a fuzzy subset of P(X) i.e., a function  $\omega: P(X) \to [0, 1]$ , satisfying the following conditions:

$$\omega(X) = \omega(\phi) = 1$$

$$\omega(A \cup B) \ge \omega(A) \wedge \omega(B)$$
, A, B \in P(X)

 $\tau(\cap A_i) \ge \hat{\tau}(A_i)$  for any sub collection  $\{A_i\}$  of P(X).

**Proposition 2.3**[7] Let  $\tau$  be a fuzzified topology on X and  $\omega_{\tau}: X \to [0, 1]$  be defined as  $\omega_{\tau}(A) = \tau(A^c)$ . Then  $\omega_{\tau}$  is a fuzzified co-topology on X.

**Proposition 2.4**[7] Let  $\omega$  be a fuzzified co-topology on X and  $\tau_{\omega}: X \to [0, 1]$  be defined as  $\tau_{\omega}(A) = \omega(A^c)$ . Then  $\tau_{\omega}$  is a fuzzified topology on X.

**Proposition 2.5**[7] If  $\tau$  is a fuzzified topology and  $\omega$  is a fuzzified co-topology on X then  $\tau_{\omega\tau}=\tau$  and  $\omega_{\tau\omega}=\omega$ 

**Proposition 2.6[7]** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a fuzzified topology and  $Y \subseteq X$ . Then  $\tau_Y : P(Y) \to [0, 1]$  given by

 $\tau_{V}(U) = \vee \{\tau(V) : U = Y \cap V\}$  is a fuzified topology on Y.

 $\tau_{\rm v}$  is then called fuzzified subspace topology.

**Definition 2.7**[7] Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \delta)$  be two FTSs. A function  $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$  is said to be continuous with respect to  $\tau$  and  $\delta$  if  $\tau(f^{-1}(U)) \ge \delta(U)$  for each  $U \in P(Y)$ .

**Result 2.8.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \delta)$  be two FTSs. A function  $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$  is continuous with respect to  $\tau$  and  $\delta$  iff  $\omega_{\tau}(f^{-1}(U)) \ge \omega_{\delta}(U)$  for each  $U \subseteq Y$ .

**Definition 2.9**[7] Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \delta)$  be two FTSs. A function  $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$  is said to be open with respect to  $\tau$  and  $\delta$  if  $\tau(G) \le \delta(f(G))$  for each  $G \in P(X)$ .

**Definition 2.10[7]** Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \delta)$  be two FTSs. A function  $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$  is said to be closed with respect to  $\tau$  and  $\delta$  if  $\omega_{\tau}(G) \le \omega_{\delta}(f(G))$  for each  $G \in P(X)$ .

# 3. SOMEWHAT CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS IN FUZZIIFIED TOPOLOGICAL SPACE

In this section we introduce and discuss the properties of somewhat continuous function in fuzzified topological spaces.

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \delta)$  be two FTSs. A function  $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$  is said

to be somewhat continuous with respect to  $\tau$  and  $\delta$  if for each  $U \subseteq Y$ , with  $f^{-1}(U) \neq \phi$  there exist  $\phi \neq V \subseteq X$  such that  $V \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$  and  $\tau(V) \geq \delta(U)$ .

It is clear from the definition that a continuous function is somewhat continuous. That the converse is not always true is evident from the following example.

Example 3.2. Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  are fuzzified topologies on X defined as :

	{a}	{b}	{c}	{a, b}	{a, c}	{b, c}	ф	X
μ	.7	.5	.1	.5	.3	.1	1	1
ν	.1	0	.1	.6	.1	0	1	1

Let  $g:(X, \mu) \to (Y, \nu)$  be the identity function. Then  $\mu[g^{-1}(\{a, b\})] = \mu(\{a, b\} = .5 < .6)$  =  $\nu(\{a, b\})$ . Therefore g is not continuous. However there exists  $\{a\} \subseteq \{a, b\}$  such that  $\mu(\{a\}) > \nu(\{a, b\})$ . Hence g is somewhat continuous.

Result 3.3. A function  $f:(X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$  is somewhat continuous with respect to  $\tau$  and  $\delta$  iff for each  $U \subseteq Y$ , with  $f^{-1}(U) \neq X$  there exist  $V \subseteq X$  such that and  $f^{-1}(U) \subseteq V$  and  $\omega_{\tau}(V) \geq \omega_{\delta}(U)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $f:(X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$  be somewhat continuous. Consider  $U \subseteq Y$  such that  $f^{-1}(U) \neq X$ . Then  $U^c \subseteq Y$  such that  $f^{-1}(U^c) \neq \emptyset$ .

As f is somewhat continuous, there exists  $\phi \neq W \subseteq X$ :

 $W\subseteq f^{-1}(U^c) \text{ and } \tau(W)\geq \delta(U^c) \Rightarrow W\subseteq \{f^{-1}(U)\}^c \text{ and } \omega_\tau(W^c)\geq \omega_\delta(U)$ 

 $\Rightarrow f^1(U) \subseteq W^c \text{ and } \omega_{\tau}(W^c) \ge \omega_{\delta}(U).$ 

Let  $V = W^c$ , then  $V \subseteq X : f^{-1}(U) \subseteq V$  and  $\omega_{\tau}(V) \ge \omega_{\delta}(U)$ 

Converse.

Let  $U \subseteq Y$  such that  $f^1(U) \subseteq X$ . Then  $U^c \subseteq Y$  such that  $f^1(U^c) \neq \emptyset$ . So by hypothesis there exist  $V \subsetneq X : f^1(U^c) \subseteq V$  and  $\omega_{\tau}(V) \geq \omega_{\delta}(U^c)$  which gives  $\{f^1(U)\}^c \subseteq V$  and  $\omega_{\tau}(V) \geq \omega_{\delta}(U^c) \Rightarrow V^c \subseteq f^1(U)$  and  $\tau(V^c) \geq \delta(U)$ . Let  $V^c = W$ .

Then  $W \neq \phi$  and  $W \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$  and  $\tau(W) \geq \delta(U)$ .

Result 3.4. Let  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $(Y, \delta)$  and  $(Z, \eta)$  be FTSs.

Let  $f:(X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$  and  $g:(Y, \delta) \to (Z, \eta)$  are somewhat continuous functions, then go  $f:(X, \tau) \to (Z, \eta)$  is continuous, if  $f^{-1}(V) \neq \phi$  for all  $\phi \neq V \subseteq Y$ .

**Proof.** Let  $U \subseteq Z$  such the  $(gof)^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ .

We have  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$  implies  $g^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ . As g is somewhat continuous, there exists  $\emptyset \neq W \subseteq Y : W \subseteq g^{-1}(U)$  and  $\delta(W) \geq \eta(U)$ .

Again by hypothesis  $\phi \neq W \Rightarrow f^1(W) \neq \phi$ . As f is somewhat continuous, there exists  $\phi \neq V \subseteq X : V \subseteq f^{-1}(W)$  and  $\tau(V) \geq \delta(W)$ . Thus  $V \subseteq f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U))$  and  $\tau(V) \geq \delta(W) \geq \eta(U)$ .

That is, there exists  $\phi \neq V \subseteq X : V \subseteq (gof)^{-1}(U)$  and  $\tau(V) \geq \eta(U)$ .

The following example shows that the condition  $f^{-1}(V) \neq \phi$  for all  $\phi \neq V \subseteq Y$  is sufficient but not necessary.

Example 3.5. Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}, \tau, \mu$  and v are fuzzified topologies on X defined as:

	{a}	{b}	{c}	{a, b}	{a, c}	{b, c}	ф	X
μ	.7	.5	.1	.5	.3	.1	1	1
ν	.1	0	.0	.6	.1	0	1	1
τ	.7	.4	0	.4	0	17.1	1	1.01

Let  $f:(X, \mu) \to (X, \tau)$  be defined as f(a) = a, f(b) = f(c) = c and  $g:(X, \tau) \to (X, \nu)$  be the identity function.

Then it is easy to verify that f, g and g of are somewhat continuous though  $f^{-1}(\{b\}) = \phi$ .

**Definition 3.6.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a FTS. A subset  $D \subseteq X$  is said to be dense in X if there exists no subset  $V \subsetneq X$  such that  $D \subseteq V$  and  $\omega_{\tau}(V) > \omega_{\tau}(D)$ .

Result 3.7. Image of a dense subset under a somewhat continuous and closed function is dense.

**Proof.**  $f:(X, \tau) \to (Y, \mu)$  be somewhat continuous and D be dense in X. Consider f(D). If f(D) = X, we are done. So let  $f(D) \neq X$ . Suppose f(D) is not dense, then there exists B  $\subsetneq Y: f(D) \subsetneq B$  and  $\omega_{\mu}(B) > \omega_{\mu}(f(D))$ . Since f is somewhat continuous, for B  $\subsetneq Y$  there exists F  $\subsetneq X: f^{-1}(B) \subseteq F$  and  $\omega_{\tau}(F) \geq \omega_{\mu}(B)$ . Again  $f(D) \subseteq B \Rightarrow D \subseteq f^{-1}(B) \subseteq F \Rightarrow D \subseteq F$ . Also,  $\omega_{\tau}(F) \geq \omega_{\mu}(B) > \omega_{\mu}(f(D)) \geq \omega_{\tau}(D)$ , since f is closed. But this is a contradiction to the fact that D is dense in X.

The following example shows that the above result need not be true if the condition of closed of f is omitted.

Example 3.8. Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  and  $\tau$  and  $\mu$  be fuzzified topologies on X defined as:

$$\tau(A) = 1, A = X, \phi$$
  
= .7, A = {c, d}  
= .5, otherwise.

$$\mu(A) = 1, A = X, \phi$$
  
= .6, A = {b}  
= .4, otherwise.

Let  $f:(X, \tau) \to (Y, \mu)$  be given by f(a) = b, f(b) = c, f(c) = d, f(d) = a.

Then f is somewhat continuous and  $D = \{a, b\}$  is dense in X.

But  $f(D) = \{b, c\}$  is not dense in Y, as there exists  $\{a, c, d\} \supseteq \{b, c\}$  such that  $\omega_{\mu}(\{a, c, d\}) = \mu(\{b\}) = .6 > .4 = \mu(\{a, d\}) = \omega_{\mu}(\{b, c\}) = \omega_{\mu}(f(D))$ .

Note that here f is not closed.

**Result 3.9.** Let  $f:(X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$  be somewhat continuous. Then for any  $A \subseteq X$ ,

 $f_A:(A, \tau_A) \to (Y, \delta)$  is somewhat continuous.

**Proof.** Since  $f_A$  is the composition of the inclusion map  $j:(A, \tau_A) \to (X, \tau)$  and  $f:(X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$ , the result follows from Result 3.4.

**Result 3.10.** Let  $f:(X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$  be somewhat continuous where Y is a subspace of Z. Then  $h: X \to Z$ , where h is obtained by expanding the range of f is somewhat continuous.

**Proof.** Let  $\mu$  denote the fuzzified topology on Z. Then  $\delta = \mu_Y$ . Let  $U \subseteq Z$  with  $h^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ . We have  $V = Y \cap U \subseteq U$ . Then  $f^{-1}(V) = h^{-1}(V) = h^{-1}(Y \cap U) = h^{-1}(Y) \cap h^{-1}(U) = h^{-1}(U)$ . So  $f^{-1}(V) \neq \emptyset$ . Since f is somewhat continuous, there exists  $\emptyset \neq W \subseteq X : W \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$  and  $\tau(W) \geq \delta(V) = \mu_Y(V) \geq \mu(V)$ . Thus  $W \subseteq h^{-1}(U)$  and  $\tau(W) \geq \mu(V)$ .

Result 3.11. Let  $f:(X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$  be somewhat continuous and  $f(X) \subseteq Z \subseteq Y$ .

Then  $g:(X, \tau) \to (Z, \delta_z)$  is somewhat continuous.

**Proof.** Let  $U \subseteq Z$  with  $g^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ .

As  $f(X) \subseteq Z$ , then for any  $V \subseteq Y : U = Z \cap V$ ,  $f^{-1}(V) = g^{-1}(U)$ .

As f is somewhat continuous, there exists  $\phi \neq W \subseteq X : W \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$  and  $\tau(W) \geq \delta(V)$ .

But this is true for any  $V \subseteq Y$  satisfying  $U = Z \cap V$ .

So  $\tau(W) \ge \wedge \{\delta(V) : U = Z \cap V\} = \delta_z(U)$ .

Hence there exists  $\phi \neq W \subseteq X : W \subseteq g^{-1}(V)$  and  $\tau(W) \geq \delta_z(U)$ .

**Result 3.12.** Let  $f:(X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$  and suppose A and B be subsets of X:

 $X = A \cup B$  and  $\tau(A) = 1 = \tau(B)$ . If  $f_A : (A, \tau_A) \to (Y, \delta)$  and  $f_B : (B, \tau_B) \to (Y, \delta)$  are somewhat continuous then f is somewhat continuous.

**Proof.** Let  $U \subseteq Y$  and  $f^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ . As  $f^{-1}(U) = f_A^{-1}(U) \cup f_B^{-1}(U)$ , either  $f_A^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$  or  $f_B^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ . Suppose  $f_A^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ . As  $f_A$  is somewhat continuous, there exists  $\emptyset \neq W \subseteq A$ :  $W \subseteq f_A^{-1}(U)$  and  $\tau_A(W) \geq \delta(U)$ . But  $\tau(A) = 1$  implies  $\tau_A(W) = \tau(W)$ .

Thus we have  $W \subseteq f_4^{-1}(U) \subseteq f^1(U)$  and  $\tau(W) \ge \delta(U)$ .

**Definition 3.13.** Let  $\tau$  and  $\delta$  be two fuzzified topologies on a set X.  $\tau$  is said to be weakly equivalent to  $\delta$  if for any  $\phi \neq W \subseteq X$ , there exists  $\phi \neq U$ ,  $V \subseteq W$  such that  $\tau(U) \geq \delta(W)$  and  $\delta(V) \geq \tau(W)$ .

Remark 3.14.  $\tau$  and  $\delta$  are weakly equivalent on X iff the identity function from  $(X, \tau)$  onto  $(X, \delta)$  is somewhat continuous in both directions.

**Proof.** The proof is straightforward.

**Result 3.15.** Let  $f:(X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$  be somewhat continuous. If  $\mu$  is weakly equivalent to  $\tau$ , then  $f:(X, \mu) \to (Y, \delta)$  is somewhat continuous.

**Proof.** Let  $U \subseteq Y$  and  $f^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ . As f is somewhat continuous, there exists  $\emptyset \neq V \subseteq X$ :  $V \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$  and  $\tau(V) \geq \delta(U)$ .

Again  $\mu$  is weakly equivalent to  $\delta$ , therefore there exists  $\phi \neq W \subseteq V : \mu(W) \geq \tau(V)$ .

**Result 3.16.** Let  $f:(X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$  be somewhat continuous and onto. If  $\delta$  is weakly equivalent to  $\nu$ , then  $f:(X, \tau) \to (Y, \nu)$  is somewhat continuous.

**Proof.** Let  $U \subseteq Y$  such that  $f^1(U) \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $U \neq \emptyset$ . Again  $\delta$  is weakly equivalent to V implies there exists  $\emptyset \neq W \subseteq U$ :  $\delta(W) \geq V(U)$ . As f is onto  $W \neq \emptyset$  implies  $f^1(W) \neq \emptyset$ .

Now  $f:(X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$  is somewhat continuous, therefore, there exists  $\phi \neq V \subseteq X$  such that  $V \subseteq f^{-1}(W)$  and  $\tau(V) \geq \delta(W)$ .

Thus there exists  $\phi \neq V \subseteq X$  such that  $V \subseteq f^{-1}(W)$  and  $\tau(V) \geq \nu(U)$ .

Combining Result 3.15 and 3.16 we have

Result 3.17. Let  $f:(X,\tau)\to (Y,\delta)$  be somewhat continuous and onto. If  $\mu$  is weakly equivalent to  $\tau$  and  $\nu$  is weakly equivalent to  $\delta$ , then  $f:(X,\mu)\to (Y,\nu)$  is somewhat continuous.

**Definition 3.18.** A fuzzified topological space is said to be separable if there exist a countable dense subset.

**Result 3.19.** Let  $f:(X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$  be closed and somewhat continuous. If X is separable then so is Y.

Proof. Since image of a countable set is countable, the result follows from Result 3.7.

#### 4. SOMEWHAT OPEN FUNCTIONS IN FUZZIFIED TOPOLOGICAL SPACE

In this section we introduce and discuss the properties of somewhat open function in fuzzified topological spaces.

**Definition 4.1.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \delta)$  be two FTSs. A function  $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$  is said to be somewhat open with respect to  $\tau$  and  $\delta$  if for each  $\phi \neq U \subseteq X$ , there exist  $\phi \neq V \subseteq X: V \subseteq f(U)$  and  $\delta(V) \geq \tau(U)$ .

It is clear from the definition that an open function is somewhat open. That the converse is not always true is evident from the following example.

Example 4.2. Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau$  and  $\mu$  are fuzzified topologies on X defined as :

	{a}	{b}	{c}	{a, b}	{a, c}	{b, c}	ф	X
τ	.1	.1	.1	.5	.1	.1	1	1
μ	.6	.2	.2	.2	.2	.2	1	1

Let  $f:(X, \tau) \to (Y, \mu)$  be the identity function.

Then f is not open, since  $f(\{a, b\}) = \{a, b\}$  and  $\mu[f(\{a, b\})] = .2 < .5 = \tau\{a, b\}$ .

However f is somewhat open as there exists  $\{a\} \subseteq f(\{a, b\})$  such that

$$\mu(\{a\}) = .6 > .5 = \tau\{a, b\}$$

**Definition 4.3.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \delta)$  be two FTSs. A function  $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$  is said to be somewhat closed with respect to  $\tau$  and  $\delta$  if for each  $U \nsubseteq X$ , there exist  $V \nsubseteq Y$  such that  $f(U) \subseteq V$  and  $\omega_{\delta}(V) \ge \omega_{\tau}(U)$ .

Result 4.4. Let  $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \mu)$  is somewhat continuous, and  $g: (Y, \mu) \to (Z, \nu)$  is somewhat continuous, the  $(gof): (X, \tau) \to (Z, \nu)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\phi \neq U \subseteq X$ . Consider (gof)(U). Since  $f:(X, \tau) \to (Y, \mu)$  is somewhat continuous, there exist  $\phi \neq V \subseteq Y: V \subseteq f(U)$  and  $\mu(V) \geq \tau(U)$ . Again  $g:(Y, \mu) \to (Z, \nu)$  is somewhat continuous, so there exists  $\phi \neq W \subseteq Z: W \subseteq g(V)$  and  $\nu(W) \geq \mu(V)$ .

Thus we have  $\phi \neq W \subseteq g(V) \subseteq g(f(U)) = (gof)(U)$  such that  $v(W) \geq \tau(U)$ .

Result 4.5. Inverse image of a dense subset under a somewhat closed and continuous function is dense.

**Proof.** Let  $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$  be somewhat closed and continuous function. Let D be dense in Y. consider  $f^{-1}(D)$ . Suppose  $f^{-1}(D)$  is not dense in X. Then there exists  $F \nsubseteq X: f^{-1}(D) \subseteq F$  and  $\omega_{\tau}(F) > \omega_{\tau}(f^{-1}(D))$ . Now  $F \nsubseteq X \Rightarrow f(F) \nsubseteq Y$ . As f is somewhat closed, there exists  $B \nsubseteq Y: f(F) \subseteq B$  and  $\omega_{\delta}(B) \ge \omega_{\tau}(F)$ .

Thus  $D \subseteq f(F) \subseteq B$  and  $\omega_{\delta}(B) \ge \omega_{\tau}(F) > \omega_{\tau}(f^{-1}(D)) \ge \omega_{\delta}(D)$ , since f is continuous. But this is contradiction to that fact that D is dense in Y. Hence  $f^{-1}(D)$  is dense in X.

**Result 4.6.** Let  $f:(X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$  be one-one and onto. Then f is somewhat open iff f is somewhat colsed.

**Proof.** Suppose f is open. Let  $U \subseteq X : f(U) \neq Y$ . To find  $V \nsubseteq Y$  such that  $f(U) \subseteq V$  and  $\omega_{\delta}(V) \geq \omega_{\tau}(U)$ . If  $U = \phi$ , then  $f(U) = \phi$ . We choose  $V = \phi$ .

So let  $\phi \neq U \not\subseteq X$ . Then  $\phi \neq f(U) \not\subseteq Y$ . Let  $U^c = W$ , then  $\phi \neq W \not\subseteq X$ . Since f is somewhat open, there exists  $\phi \neq V \subseteq Y$ :

 $V \subseteq \mathit{f}(W) \text{ and } \tau(W) \geq \delta(V) \Rightarrow \mathit{f}(W)^c \subseteq V^c \text{ and } \omega_\tau(W^c) \geq \omega_\delta(V^c)$ 

 $\Rightarrow$   $f(W^c) \subseteq V^c$  and  $\omega_{\tau}(U) \ge \omega_{\delta}(V^c)$ . Let  $V^c = F$ . Since  $\phi \ne V$ ,  $Y \ne V^c = F$ . Thus for  $U \subseteq X : f(U) \not\subseteq Y$ , there exists  $F \not\subseteq Y : f(U) \subseteq F$  and  $\omega_{\tau}(U) \ge \omega_{\delta}(F)$ . Hence f is somewhat closed.

Converse. Let  $\phi \neq U \subseteq X$ . If U = X, f(U) = Y. Choosing V = Y, we are done.

So let  $\phi \neq U \nsubseteq X$ . Let  $G = U^c$ , then  $\phi \neq G \nsubseteq X$  and so  $f(G) \nsubseteq Y$ , as f is onto.

Hence by hypothesis there exists W ⊈ Y:

 $f(G) \subseteq W$  and  $\omega_{\delta}(W) \ge \omega_{\tau}(G) \Rightarrow W^c \subseteq f(G)^c$  and  $\delta(W^c) \ge \tau(G^c)$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  W<sup>c</sup>  $\subseteq$  f(G<sup>c</sup>) and  $\delta$ (W<sup>c</sup>)  $\geq$   $\tau$ (G<sup>c</sup>)  $\Rightarrow$  W<sup>c</sup>  $\subseteq$  f(U) and  $\delta$ (W<sup>c</sup>)  $\geq$   $\tau$ (U)

Let  $W^c = V$ . Then  $\phi \neq V \subseteq Y : V \subseteq f(U)$  and  $\delta(V) \geq \tau(U)$ . Hence f is somewhat open.

**Result 4.7.** Let  $f:(X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$  and suppose A and B be subsets of X:

 $X = A \cup B$ . If  $f: (A, \tau_A) \to (Y, \delta)$  and  $f: (B, \tau_B) \to (Y, \delta)$  are somewhat open then f is somewhat open.

**Proof.** Let  $\phi \neq U \subseteq X$ . If  $U \cap B = \phi$ , then  $f(U) = f_A(U)$ .

Since  $f_A$  is somewhat open, there exists  $\phi \neq V \subseteq Y : V \subseteq f_A(U)$  and  $\delta(V) \geq \tau_A(U)$ . But  $\tau_A(U) \geq \tau(U)$ . Therefore  $\phi \neq V \subseteq Y : V \subseteq f(U)$  and  $\delta(V) \geq \tau(U)$ .

Similar is the case if  $U \cap A = \phi$ . So let  $U \cap A \neq \phi \neq U \cap B$ . Then  $f(U) = f_A(U) \cup f_B(U)$ .

As  $f_A$  is somewhat open, there exists  $\phi \neq V \subseteq Y : V \subseteq f_A(U)$  and  $\delta(V) \geq \tau_A(U) \geq \tau(U)$ .

As  $f_B$  is somewhat open, there exists  $\phi \neq W \subseteq Y : W \subseteq f_B(U)$  and  $\delta(W) \geq \tau_A(U) \geq \tau(U)$ .

Then there exists  $\phi \neq F = V \cap W \subseteq Y$ :

 $F \subseteq f_A(U) \cup f_B(U) = f(U)$  and  $\delta(F) = \delta(V \cap W) \ge \delta(V) \wedge \delta(W) \ge \tau(U)$ .

Remark 4.8.  $\tau$  and  $\delta$  are weakly equivalent on X iff the identity function from  $(X, \tau)$  onto  $(X, \delta)$  is somewhat open in both directions.

Result 4.9. Let  $f:(X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$  be somewhat open function. If  $\mu$  is weakly equivalent to  $\tau$  and  $\nu$  is weakly equivalent to  $\tau$ , then  $f:(X, \mu) \to (Y, \nu)$  is somewhat open function.

Proof. The proof is straightforward.

**Definition 4.10.** A  $f:(X, \tau) \to (Y, \delta)$  is a said to be somewhat homeomorphism if f is one-one, onto, somewhat open and somewhat continuous.

**Remark 4.11.** If f is a somewhat homeomorphism then  $f^{-1}$  is also a somewhat homeomorphism.

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