

## ON WEAKLY $\theta$ -PRE-I CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS

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**Abstract.** In this paper, a strong form in ideal topological spaces of weak  $\theta$ -pre continuity, called weak  $\theta$ -pre-I continuity, is introduced. It is shown that weak  $\theta$ -pre-I continuity is strictly weaker than strong  $\theta$ -pre-I continuity and that it is between continuity and almost weak continuity. Also additional properties of these functions are investigated.

### 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

Weakly  $\theta$ -pre continuous functions were developed by Baker [5]. The purpose of this note is to introduce a strong form of weak  $\theta$ -pre continuity, which we call weak  $\theta$ -pre-I continuity. We establish that weak  $\theta$ -pre-I continuity is strictly weaker than strong  $\theta$ -pre-I continuity and that it is strictly between continuity and almost weak continuity. Also it is shown that weak  $\theta$ -pre-I continuity is independent of weak continuity. Conditions are proved under which weak  $\theta$ -pre-I continuity and weak continuity are related. Properties related to the graph of a weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous function are investigated. We show that the graph of a weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous function with a Hausdorff codomain is strongly pre-I-closed. Finally, additional properties of these functions are investigated.

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Throughout this paper,  $Cl(A)$  and  $Int(A)$  denote the closure and interior of  $A$ , respectively. Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and let  $I$  be an ideal of subsets of  $X$ . An ideal is defined as a nonempty collection  $I$  of subsets of  $X$  satisfying the following two conditions: 1) If  $A \in I$  and  $B \subset A$ , then  $B \in I$ ; 2) If  $A \in I$  and  $B \in I$ , then  $A \cup B \in I$ . An ideal topological space is a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  with an ideal  $I$  on  $X$  and is denoted by  $(X, \tau, I)$ . For a subset  $A \subset X$ ,  $A^*(I) = \{x \in X : U \cap A \notin I \text{ for each neighbourhood } U \text{ of } x\}$  is called the local function of  $A$  with respect to  $I$  and  $\tau$  [13]. We simply write  $A^*$  instead of  $A^*(I)$  in case there is no chance for confusion. For every ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, I)$ , there exists a topology  $\tau^*(I)$ , finer than  $\tau$ , generated by  $\beta(I, \tau) = \{U - A : U \in \tau \text{ and } A \in I\}$ , but in general  $\beta(I, \tau)$  is not a topology [10]. Additionally,  $Cl^*(A) = A \cup A^*$  defines a Kuratowski closure operator for  $\tau^*(I)$ . We recall some known definitions.

A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be pre open [1] if  $A \subset Int(Cl(A))$ . The family of all pre open sets of  $X$  is denoted by  $PO(X)$ . The family of all pre open sets of  $X$  containing a point  $x \in X$  is denoted by  $PO(X, x)$ .

The complement of a pre open set is called preclosed [1]. The intersection of all pre closed sets containing  $A$  is called preclosure [2] of  $A$  and is denoted by  $pCl(A)$ . A point  $x \in X$  is called a precluster point of  $A$  if  $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$  for each  $U \in PO(X, x)$  [8]. A subset  $A$  is pre closed if and only if  $pCl(A) = A$  [8]. The preinterior [2] of  $A$  is defined by the union of all sets contained in  $A$  and is denoted by  $pInt(A)$ . A point  $x \in X$  is called a pre- $\theta$ -cluster point of  $A$  if  $pCl(U) \cap A \neq \emptyset$  for every  $U \in PO(X, x)$  [7]. The set of all pre- $\theta$ -cluster points of  $A$  is called the pre- $\theta$ -closure of  $A$  and denoted by  $pCl_\theta(A)$ . A subset  $A$  is said to be pre- $\theta$ -closed if  $pCl_\theta(A) = A$  [7].

A subset  $A$  of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, I)$  is said to be pre-I-open [6] (semi-I-open [11],  $\alpha$ -I-open [11]) if  $A \subset Int(Cl^*(A))$ , ( $A \subset Cl^*(Int(A))$ ,  $A \subset Int(Cl^*(Int(A)))$ ). The complement of a pre-I-open set is called pre-I-closed [6]. The family of all pre-I-open sets of  $X$  is denoted by  $PIO(X)$  [6]. The family of all pre-I-open sets of  $X$  containing a point  $x \in X$  is denoted by  $PIO(X, x)$  [6]. A point  $x \in X$  is called a pre-I-cluster point [4] of  $A$  if  $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$  for each  $U \in PIO(X, x)$ . The set of all pre-I-cluster points of  $A$  is called the pre-I-closure of  $A$  and denoted by  $_{PI}Cl(A)$ . A subset  $A$  is pre-I-closed if and only if  $_{PI}Cl(A) = A$  [4]. A point  $x \in X$  is called a pre-I- $\theta$ -cluster point [3] of  $A$  if  $_{PI}Cl(U) \cap A \neq \emptyset$  for each  $U \in PIO(X, x)$ . The

set of all pre-I- $\theta$ -cluster points of  $A$  is called the pre-I- $\theta$ -closure of  $A$  and denoted by  ${}_P I Cl_\theta(A)$ . A subset  $A$  is pre-I- $\theta$ -closed if and only if  ${}_P I Cl_\theta(A) = A$  [3]. A point  $x \in X$  is called pre-I-interior point [4] (pre-I- $\theta$ -interior point [3]) of  $A$  if there exists  $U \in PIO(X, x)$  such that  $x \in U \subset A$  ( $x \in {}_P I Cl(U) \subset A$ ). The set of all pre-I-interior (pre-I- $\theta$ -interior) points of  $A$  is said to be pre-I-interior (pre-I- $\theta$ -interior) of  $A$  and denoted by  ${}_P I Int(A)$  [ ${}_P I Int_\theta(A)$  [3]].

**Definition 1.** [5] A function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$  is said to be weakly  $\theta$ -pre continuous if  ${}_P Cl_\theta(f^{-1}(V)) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(V))$  for every open subset  $V$  of  $Y$ .

**Definition 2.** [14] A function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$  is said to be weakly continuous, if for every  $x \in X$  and every neighborhood  $V$  of  $f(x)$ , there exists a neighborhood  $U$  of  $x$  such that  $f(U) \subset Cl(V)$ .

**Definition 3.** [12] A function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$  is said to be almost weakly continuous if  $f^{-1}(V) \subset Int(Cl(f^{-1}(Cl(V))))$  for every open subset  $V$  of  $Y$ .

**Definition 4.** [9] A function  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$  is said to be strongly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous, if for every  $x \in X$  and every open subset  $V$  of  $Y$  containing  $f(x)$ , there exists  $U \in PIO(X, x)$  such that  $f({}_P I Cl(U)) \subset V$ .

**Lemma 1.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of  $(X, \tau, I)$ . Then the following properties hold:

- (i)  ${}_P I Cl_\theta({}_P I Cl_\theta(A)) = {}_P I Cl_\theta(A)$
- (ii)  $A \subset B \Rightarrow {}_P I Cl_\theta(A) \subset {}_P I Cl_\theta(B)$
- (iii)  ${}_P I Int_\theta(X - A) = (X - {}_P I Cl_\theta(A))$
- (iv)  ${}_P I Cl_\theta(X - A) = (X - {}_P I Int_\theta(A))$ .

*Proof.* (i): Let  ${}_P I Cl_\theta(A) = B$ . Since  ${}_P I Cl_\theta(A)$  is a pre-I- $\theta$ -closed set,  $B$  is a pre-I- $\theta$ -closed set and hence  ${}_P I Cl_\theta(B) = B$ , it is obvious that  ${}_P I Cl_\theta({}_P I Cl_\theta(A)) = {}_P I Cl_\theta(A)$ . This proves (i).

The proof of (ii) is obvious.

(iii): Let  $x \in (X - {}_P I Cl_\theta(A))$ . Since  $x \notin {}_P I Cl_\theta(A)$ , there exists  $U \in PIO(X, x)$  such that  ${}_P I Cl(U) \cap A = \emptyset$ . Hence we obtain  $x \in {}_P I Cl(U) \subset (X - A)$  and  $x \in {}_P I Int_\theta(X - A)$ . This shows that  $(X - {}_P I Cl_\theta(A)) \subset {}_P I Int_\theta(X - A)$ . Let  $x \in {}_P I Int_\theta(X - A)$ . Then, there exists  $U \in PIO(X)$  containing  $x$  such that  $x \in {}_P I Cl(U) \subset (X - A)$ . Then  ${}_P I Cl(U) \cap A = \emptyset$ . Hence  $x \notin {}_P I Cl_\theta(A)$  and  $x \in$

$(X - {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A))$ . This shows that  ${}_{PI}Int_{\theta}(X - A) \subset (X - {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A))$ . Therefore, we obtain  ${}_{PI}Int_{\theta}(X - A) = (X - {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A))$ .

Since  $X - {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(X - A) = {}_{PI}Int_{\theta}(X - (X - A)) = {}_{PI}Int_{\theta}(A)$ , the statement in (iv) is obviously implied by (iii). ■

## 2. WEAKLY $\theta$ -PRE-I CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS AND RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER FORMS OF CONTINUITY

**Definition 5.** A function  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$  is said to be weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous if  ${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(V)) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(V))$  for every open subset  $V$  of  $Y$ .

The following theorem gives characterizations of weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous functions.

**Theorem 2.** The following statements are equivalent for a function  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$ :

- (a)  $f$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous;
- (b)  ${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Int(Cl(B)))) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(B))$  for every  $B \subset Y$ ;
- (c)  ${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(V)) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(V))$  for every pre-I-open  $V \subset Y$ ;
- (d)  ${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Int(Cl(V)))) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(V))$  for every open  $V \subset Y$ ;
- (e)  ${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Int(F))) \subset f^{-1}(F)$  for every closed  $F \subset Y$ ;
- (f)  $f^{-1}(Int(B)) \subset {}_{PI}Int_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Cl(Int(B))))$  for every  $B \subset Y$ ;
- (g)  $f^{-1}(Int(F)) \subset {}_{PI}Int_{\theta}(f^{-1}(F))$  for every pre-I-closed  $F \subset Y$ ;
- (h)  $f^{-1}(V) \subset {}_{PI}Int_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Cl(V)))$  for every open  $V \subset Y$ .

*Proof.* (a) $\Rightarrow$ (b) Let  $B$  be any subset of  $Y$ . Since  $Int(Cl(B))$  is open in  $Y$ , by (a)

$$\begin{aligned} {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Int(Cl(B)))) &\subset f^{-1}(Cl(Int(Cl(B)))) \\ &\subset f^{-1}(Cl(Cl(B))) = f^{-1}(Cl(B)) \end{aligned}$$

and hence we obtain  ${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Int(Cl(B)))) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(B))$ .

(b) $\Rightarrow$ (c) Let  $V$  be any pre-I-open subset of  $Y$ . For every pre-I-open set, we can see easily that  $V \subset Int(Cl^*(V)) \subset Int(Cl(V))$  and by Lemma 1,

$${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(V)) \subset {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Int(Cl(V))))$$

and by (b) we have  ${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(V)) \subset {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Int(Cl(V)))) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(V))$ .

(c) $\Rightarrow$ (d) Let  $V$  be any open subset of  $Y$ . Since every open set is pre-I-open [6],  $Int(Cl(V))$  is an open set hence a pre-I-open set of  $Y$ .

By (c) we have

$$\begin{aligned} {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Int(Cl(V)))) &\subset f^{-1}(Cl(Int(Cl(V)))) \\ &\subset f^{-1}(Cl(Cl(V))) = f^{-1}(Cl(V)). \end{aligned}$$

Hence we obtain  ${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Int(Cl(V)))) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(V))$ .

(d) $\Rightarrow$ (e) Let  $F$  be any closed subset of  $Y$ . Then  $Int(F)$  is an open set. We get

$${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Int(Cl(Int(F))))) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(Int(F)))$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Int(F))) &\subset {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Int(Cl(Int(F))))) \\ &\subset f^{-1}(Cl(Int(F))) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(F)) = f^{-1}(F). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  ${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Int(F))) \subset f^{-1}(F)$ .

(e) $\Rightarrow$ (f) Let  $B$  be any subset of  $Y$ . Since  $Cl(Y - B)$  is a closed set we get

$${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Int(Cl(Y - B)))) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(Y - B))$$

and by Lemma 1

$$X - {}_{PI}Int_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Cl(Int(B)))) \subset X - f^{-1}(Int(B)).$$

Hence we obtain  $f^{-1}(Int(B)) \subset {}_{PI}Int_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Cl(Int(B))))$ .

(f) $\Rightarrow$ (g) Let  $F$  be a pre-I-closed subset of  $Y$ . By (f) we have,

$$f^{-1}(Int(F)) \subset {}_{PI}Int_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Cl(Int(F))))$$

and since  $F$  is pre-I-closed,

$$f^{-1}(Int(F)) \subset {}_{PI}Int_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Cl(Int(F)))) \subset {}_{PI}Int_{\theta}(f^{-1}(F))$$

and  $f^{-1}(Int(F)) \subset {}_{PI}Int_{\theta}(f^{-1}(F))$ .

(g) $\Rightarrow$ (h) Let  $V$  be any open subset of  $Y$ . Then  $Cl(V)$  is closed and every closed set is pre-I-closed[6]. By (g),

$$f^{-1}(Int(Cl(V))) \subset {}_{PI}Int_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Cl(V)))$$

Since  $V$  is open,

$$f^{-1}(V) \subset f^{-1}(Int(Cl(V))) \subset {}_{PI}Int_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Cl(V)))$$

Consequently,  $f^{-1}(V) \subset {}_{PI}Int_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Cl(V)))$ .

(h) $\Rightarrow$ (a) Let  $V$  be any open subset of  $Y$ . Since  $Int(Y - V)$  is open, we obtain

$$f^{-1}(Int(Y - V)) \subset {}_{PI}Int_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Cl(Int(Y - V))))$$

and by Lemma 1  $X - f^{-1}(Cl(V)) \subset X - {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Int(Cl(V))))$ . Hence we have

$${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Int(Cl(V)))) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(V))$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(V)) &= {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Int(V))) \\ &\subset {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(Int(Cl(V)))) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(V)) \end{aligned}$$

and  ${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(V)) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(V))$ . Thus  $f$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous. ■

**Lemma 3.** *Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal topological space.  $pCl_{\theta}(A) \subset {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A)$  for every subset  $A \subset X$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $x \in pCl_{\theta}(A)$  and  $U \in PIO(X)$  such that  $x \in U$ . Since every pre-I-open set is pre open [6],  $pCl(U) \cap A \neq \emptyset$  and we know that  $pCl(U) \subset {}_{PI}Cl(U)$  for every subset  $U$  of  $X$ , hence  ${}_{PI}Cl(U) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ . Therefore  $x \in {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A)$ . ■

By Lemma 3, obviously every weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous function is weakly  $\theta$ -pre continuous. The following example shows that the converse implication does not hold.

**Example 1.** *Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a, b\}\}$ ,  $\nu = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$  and  $I = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\}$ . The identity mapping  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (X, \nu)$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre continuous but not weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous.*

**Theorem 4.** [9] *A function  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$  is strongly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous if and only if  ${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(B)) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(B))$  for every subset  $B$  of  $Y$ .*

Obviously strongly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuity implies weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuity. The following example shows that the converse implication does not hold.

**Example 2.** *Let  $X = \{a, b\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}\}$  and  $I = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\}$ . The function  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (X, \tau)$  given by  $f(a) = b$  and  $f(b) = a$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous but not strongly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous.*

**Lemma 5.** *If a subset  $A$  of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, I)$  is open, then  $Cl(A) = {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be any open subset of  $(X, \tau, I)$ . We must show that  ${}_P Cl_\theta(A) \subset Cl(A)$ . Let  $x \notin Cl(A)$ . Then, there exists an open subset  $U$  containing  $x$  such that  $U \cap A = \emptyset$ . Then  $U \subset (X - A)$ ,  $X - A$  is closed. Since every closed set is pre-I-closed,  ${}_P Cl(U) \subset {}_P Cl(X - A) = X - A$ . Hence we have  ${}_P Cl(U) \cap A = \emptyset$  and  $x \notin {}_P Cl_\theta(A)$ . Thus we obtain;  ${}_P Cl_\theta(A) \subset Cl(A)$ .

Now we must show that  $Cl(A) \subset {}_P Cl_\theta(A)$ . Let  $x \in Cl(A)$  and  $x \in V \in PIO(X)$ . Then  $x \in V \subset Int(Cl^*(V))$  and hence  $A \cap Int(Cl^*(V)) \neq \emptyset$ . Since  $A$  is open

$$\begin{aligned} A \cap Int(Cl^*(V)) &\subset A \cap Int(Cl(V)) = Int(A) \cap Int(Cl(V)) \\ &= Int(A \cap Cl(V)) \subset Int(Cl(A \cap V)) \subset Cl(A \cap V). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we obtain  $Cl(A \cap V) \neq \emptyset$  and hence  $A \cap V \neq \emptyset$ .

$$(A \cap V) \cup (A \cap Cl(Int(V))) = A \cap (V \cup Cl(Int(V))) = A \cap {}_P Cl(V).$$

Since  $A \cap V \neq \emptyset$ ,  $A \cap {}_P Cl(V) \neq \emptyset$ . By the pre- $\theta$  cluster point definition,  $x \in {}_P Cl_\theta(A)$ . By Lemma 3,  ${}_P Cl_\theta(A) \subset {}_P Cl_\theta(A)$  and hence  $x \in {}_P Cl_\theta(A)$ . This shows that  $Cl(A) = {}_P Cl_\theta(A)$  for any open set  $A$  of  $X$ . ■

**Theorem 6.** *If  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$  is continuous, then  $f$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous.*

*Proof.* Let  $V \subset Y$  be open. Then, since  $f$  is continuous  $f^{-1}(V)$  is open ,

$${}_P Cl_\theta(f^{-1}(V)) = Cl(f^{-1}(V)).$$

Also,  $Cl(f^{-1}(V)) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(V))$ . We can easily see that  ${}_P Cl_\theta(f^{-1}(V)) = Cl(f^{-1}(V)) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(V))$  and hence  $f$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous. ■

**Remark 1.** *Example 2. shows that a weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous function is not continuous.*

Thus weak  $\theta$ -pre-I continuity is strictly weaker than continuity.

**Theorem 7.** [15] *A function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$  is almost weakly continuous if and only if  ${}_P Cl(f^{-1}(V)) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(V))$  for every open subset  $V$  of  $Y$ .*

**Lemma 8.** *Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal topological space.  ${}_P Cl(A) \subset {}_P Cl_\theta(A)$  for every subset  $A \subset X$ .*

*Proof.* It is clear that  $pCl(A) \subset {}_P Cl_\theta(A)$  for every subset  $A \subset X$ . Hence the proof is a direct consequence of Lemma 3. ■

The following theorem is an immediate consequence of Theorem 7 and Lemma 8.

**Theorem 9.** *If  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous, then  $f$  is almost weakly continuous.*

In the next example we see that weak  $\theta$ -pre-I continuity is not implied by almost weak continuity.

**Example 3.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}, \tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}, \nu = \{\emptyset, X, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}\}, I = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\}$ . The identity function  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (X, \nu)$  is almost weakly continuous but not weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous.

Thus weak  $\theta$ -pre-I continuity is strictly between continuity and almost weak continuity.

**Definition 6.** An ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, I)$  is said to be pre-I-regular [3](p-I-regular [9]), if for each pre-I-closed (closed) set  $F$  and each point  $x \in (X - F)$ , there exist disjoint pre-I-open sets  $U$  and  $V$  such that  $x \in U$  and  $F \subset V$ .

**Lemma 10.** An ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, I)$  is pre-I-regular [3](p-I-regular [9]) if and only if for each  $x \in X$  and each pre-I-open (open) set  $U$  of  $X$  containing  $x$ , there exists  $V \in PIO(X, x)$  such that  $x \in V \subset {}_P I Cl(V) \subset U$ .

**Theorem 11.** [6] Let  $I_n$  be the ideal of nowhere dense sets in  $(X, \tau)$ . For ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, I)$  and  $A \subset X$ ; if  $I = I_n$ , then  $A$  is pre-I-open if and only if  $A$  is pre open.

**Lemma 12.** A space  $(X, \tau, I = I_n)$  is pre-I-regular if and only if  ${}_P I Cl_\theta(A) = pCl(A)$  for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ .

*Proof.*  $\Rightarrow$  : Assume that  $(X, \tau, I_n)$  is pre-I-regular. Let  $A \subset X$  and  $x \in {}_P I Cl_\theta(A)$ . Let  $U$  be a pre open subset of  $X$  with  $x \in U$ . By Theorem 11,  $U$  is pre-I-open. Then there exists  $W \in PIO(X, x)$  such that  $x \in W \subset {}_P I Cl(W) \subset U$ . Since  $x \in {}_P I Cl_\theta(A)$ ,  ${}_P I Cl(W) \cap A \neq \emptyset$  and hence  $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$ . Thus  $x \in pCl(A)$ . Since  $pCl(A) \subset {}_P I Cl_\theta(A)$  for every subset  $A \subset X$ , we obtain  ${}_P I Cl_\theta(A) = pCl(A)$ .



$\Leftarrow$  : Assume that  $_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A) = pCl(A)$  for every  $A \subset X$ . Let  $x \in X$  and  $x \notin F$ , where  $F$  is pre-I-closed. Since  $F = _{PI}Cl(F)$ ,  $x \notin _{PI}Cl(F)$ . Since in general, we have  $pCl(F) \subset _{PI}Cl(F)$  for every subsets  $F$  of  $X$ ,  $x \notin pCl(F)$  and hence  $x \notin _{PI}Cl_{\theta}(F)$ . So there exists  $U \in PIO(X, x)$  such that  $_{PI}Cl(U) \cap F = \emptyset$ . Thus  $x \in U$  and  $F \subset X - _{PI}Cl(U)$  which proves that  $(X, \tau, I_n)$  is pre-I-regular. ■

The next theorem is an immediate consequence of Theorem 9 and Lemma 12.

**Theorem 13.** *If  $(X, \tau, I_n)$  is pre-I-regular, then a function  $f : (X, \tau, I_n) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous if and only if it almost weakly continuous.*

It follows from the next example that weak  $\theta$ -pre-I continuity is independent of weak continuity.

**Remark 2.** *Example 3. shows that a weakly continuous function is not weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous.*

**Example 4.** *Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$ ,  $\nu = \{\emptyset, X, \{c\}, \{a, b\}\}$ ,  $I = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$ . The identity function  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (X, \nu)$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous but not weakly continuous.*

We now investigate conditions under which weak  $\theta$ -pre-I continuity is related to weak continuity.

**Theorem 14.** *[16] A function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$  is weakly continuous if and only if  $Cl(f^{-1}(V)) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(V))$  for every open subset  $V$  of  $Y$ .*

**Lemma 15.** *An ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, I)$  is p-I-regular if and only if  $_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A) \subset Cl(A)$  for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ .*

*Proof.*  $\Rightarrow$  Assume that  $(X, \tau, I)$  is p-I-regular. Let  $A \subset X$  and let  $x \in _{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A)$ . Let  $U$  be an open subset of  $X$  with  $x \in U$ . Then there exists  $W \in PIO(X, x)$  such that  $x \in W \subset _{PI}Cl(W) \subset U$ . Since  $x \in _{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A)$ ,  $_{PI}Cl(W) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ . Hence  $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$ . Thus  $x \in Cl(A)$ .

$\Leftarrow$  Assume that  $_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A) \subset Cl(A)$  for every  $A \subset X$ . Let  $x \in X$  and  $x \notin F$ , where  $F$  is closed. Then  $x \notin Cl(F)$  and hence  $x \notin _{PI}Cl_{\theta}(F)$ . So, there exists  $U \in PIO(X, x)$  such that  $_{PI}Cl(U) \cap F = \emptyset$ . Thus  $x \in U$  and  $F \subset X - _{PI}Cl(U)$  which proves that  $(X, \tau, I)$  is p-I-regular. ■

**Theorem 16.** *If  $(X, \tau, I)$  is a  $p$ - $I$ -regular space and  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$  is weakly continuous, then  $f$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre- $I$  continuous.*

*Proof.* Let  $V \subset Y$  be an open. Since  $(X, \tau, I)$  is  $p$ - $I$ -regular, by Lemma 15

$${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(V)) \subset Cl(f^{-1}(V)).$$

Since  $f$  is weakly continuous,  $Cl(f^{-1}(V)) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(V))$ . Thus

$${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(V)) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(V))$$

and hence  $f$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre- $I$  continuous. ■

**Lemma 17.** *Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal topological space. If every pre- $I$ -open subset of  $X$  is  $\alpha$ - $I$ -open, then  $Cl(A) \subset {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A)$  for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $A \subset X$  and  $x \in Cl(A)$ . Let  $U \in PIO(X)$  such that  $x \in U$ . Then  $U$  is  $\alpha$ - $I$ -open and

$$\begin{aligned} x &\in U \subset Int(Cl^*(Int(U))) \subset Int(U \cup Cl^*(Int(U))) \\ &\subset Int(U \cup Cl(Int(U))) = Int(pCl(U)). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $x \in Cl(A)$ ,  $Int(pCl(U)) \cap A \neq \emptyset$  and hence  $pCl(U) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ . Therefore  $x \in pCl_{\theta}(A)$ . Since in general  $pCl_{\theta}(A) \subset {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A)$ , then  $x \in {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A)$ . Hence  $Cl(A) \subset {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A)$ . ■

**Theorem 18.** *If  $(X, \tau, I)$  satisfies the condition that every pre- $I$ -open set is  $\alpha$ - $I$ -open and  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre- $I$  continuous, then  $f$  is weakly continuous.*

*Proof.* Let  $V \subset Y$  be open. Since  $f$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre- $I$  continuous,

$${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(V)) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(V)).$$

By Lemma 17,  $Cl(f^{-1}(V)) \subset {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(V))$ . Hence  $Cl(f^{-1}(V)) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(V))$  which proves that  $f$  is weakly continuous. ■

**Definition 7.** *A function  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$  is said to be contra  $\theta$ -pre- $I$  continuous provided that for every open subset  $V$  of  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is pre- $I$ - $\theta$ -closed.*

**Theorem 19.** *If  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$  is contra  $\theta$ -pre- $I$  continuous, then  $f$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre- $I$  continuous.*

*Proof.* Let  $V$  be an open subset of  $Y$ . Then, since  $f^{-1}(V)$  is pre-I- $\theta$ -closed,

$${}_P I Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(V)) = f^{-1}(V) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(V))$$

which proves that  $f$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous. ■

The following example shows that weak  $\theta$ -pre-I continuity is not equivalent to contra  $\theta$ -pre-I continuity.

**Example 5.** Let  $X = \{a, b\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}\}$ ,  $I = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\}$ . The identity function  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (X, \tau)$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous but not contra  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous.

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**Definition 8.** [9] The graph  $G(f)$  of a function  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$ , is said to be strongly pre-I-closed provided that for every  $(x, y) \in (X \times Y) - G(f)$  there exist  $U \in PIO(X, x)$  and an open set  $V \subset Y$  containing  $y$  such that  $(x, y) \in ({}_P I Cl(U) \times V) \subset X \times Y - G(f)$ .

**Theorem 20.** If  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous and  $Y$  is Hausdorff, then the graph of  $f$  is strongly pre-I-closed.

*Proof.* Let  $(x, y) \in (X \times Y) - G(f)$ . Then there exist disjoint open sets  $V$  and  $W$  in  $Y$  with  $y \in V$  and  $f(x) \in W$ . Thus  $f(x) \notin Cl(V)$  and hence  $x \notin f^{-1}(Cl(V))$ . Since  $f$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous,  $x \notin {}_P I Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(V))$ . So there exists  $U \in PIO(X, x)$  such that  ${}_P I Cl(U) \cap f^{-1}(V) = \emptyset$ . Therefore  $(x, y) \in ({}_P I Cl(U) \times V) \subset X \times Y - G(f)$ , which proves that  $G(f)$  is strongly pre-I-closed. ■

**Corollary 21.** [9] If  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$  is strongly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous and  $Y$  is Hausdorff, then the graph of  $f$  is strongly pre-I-closed.

**Theorem 22.** [4] Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal topological space,  $A$  and  $X_0$  be subsets of  $X$ . Then, the following properties hold:

- (1) If  $A \in PIO(X)$  and  $X_0 \in SIO(X)$ , then  $A \cap X_0 \in PIO(X_0)$
- (2) If  $A \in PIO(X_0)$  and  $X_0 \in PIO(X)$ , then  $A \in PIO(X)$ .

**Theorem 23.** [4] Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal topological space,  $X_0$  and  $A$  be subsets of  $X$  such that  $A \subset X_0 \subset X$ . Let  ${}_P I Cl_{X_0}(A)$  denote the pre-I-closure of  $A$  in the subspace  $X_0$ .

- (1) If  $X_0$  is semi-I-open in  $X$ , then  ${}_P I Cl_{X_0}(A) \subset {}_P I Cl(A)$ .
- (2) If  $A \in PIO(X_0)$  and  $X_0 \in PIO(X)$ , then  ${}_P I Cl(A) \subset {}_P I Cl_{X_0}(A)$ .

If  $B \subset A \subset X$ , then we shall denote the pre-I- $\theta$ -closure of  $B$  with respect to relative topology on  $A$  by  ${}_P I Cl_{A\theta}(B)$ .

**Lemma 24.** *Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of a space  $X$  such that  $B \subset A \subset X$ . If  $A$  is semi-I-open, then  ${}_P I Cl_{A\theta}(B) \subset {}_P I Cl_\theta(B)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $x \in {}_P I Cl_{A\theta}(B)$  and let  $U \in PIO(X, x)$ . Then  $x \in U \cap A$  and by Theorem 22,  $U \cap A \in PIO(A)$ . Since  $x \in {}_P I Cl_{A\theta}(B)$ ,  ${}_P I Cl_A(U \cap A) \cap B \neq \emptyset$ . By Theorem 23,  ${}_P I Cl_A(U \cap A) \subset {}_P I Cl(U \cap A)$ . So  ${}_P I Cl(U \cap A) \cap B \neq \emptyset$  and hence  ${}_P I Cl(U) \cap B \neq \emptyset$ . Thus  $x \in {}_P I Cl_\theta(B)$ . ■

**Theorem 25.** *If  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous and  $A$  is a semi-I-open subset of  $X$ , then  $f/A : (A, \tau_A, I_A) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous.*

*Proof.* Let  $V$  be an open subset of  $Y$ . Then, by Lemma 24, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} {}_P I Cl_{A\theta}(f/A^{-1}(V)) &= {}_P I Cl_{A\theta}(f^{-1}(V) \cap A) \subset {}_P I Cl_\theta(f^{-1}(V) \cap A) \cap A \\ &\subset {}_P I Cl_\theta(f^{-1}(V)) \cap A \subset f^{-1}(Cl(V)) \cap A = f/A^{-1}(Cl(V)). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $f/A : (A, \tau_A, I_A) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous. ■

**Theorem 26.** *If  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous and  $g : (Y, \nu) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  is continuous, then  $g \circ f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous.*

*Proof.* Let  $V$  be an open set in  $Z$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} {}_P I Cl_\theta((g \circ f)^{-1}(V)) &= {}_P I Cl_\theta(f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(g^{-1}(V))) \\ &\subset f^{-1}(g^{-1}(Cl(V))) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(Cl(V)) \end{aligned}$$

which proves that  $g \circ f$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous. ■

**Definition 9.** *A function  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \nu, I_1)$  is said to be pre-I- $\theta$ -closed provided that for every pre-I- $\theta$ -closed subset  $V$  of  $X$ ,  $f(V)$  is pre-I- $\theta$ -closed in  $Y$ .*

**Theorem 27.** *A function  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \nu, I_1)$  is pre-I- $\theta$ -closed function if and only if  ${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f(A)) \subset f({}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A))$  for every subset  $A \subset X$ .*

*Proof.*  $\Rightarrow$  Let  $A$  be any subset of  $(X, \tau, I)$ . Since  $A \subseteq {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A)$  for every subset  $A \subset X$ ,  $f(A) \subseteq f({}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A))$  and  ${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f(A)) \subseteq {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f({}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A)))$ . Since  $f$  is pre-I- $\theta$ -closed function,  $f({}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A))$  pre-I- $\theta$ -closed. Therefore,

${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f({}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A))) = f({}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A))$  and hence  ${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f(A)) \subseteq f({}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A))$ .

$\Leftarrow$  Let  $K$  be a pre-I- $\theta$ -closed subset of  $(X, \tau, I)$ . Then  $K = {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(K)$  and hence  ${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f(K)) \subseteq f({}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(K)) = f(K)$ . Since  $A \subseteq {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(A)$  for every subset  $A \subset X$ ,  $f(K) \subset {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f(K))$ . This shows that  ${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f(K)) = f(K)$ . ■

**Theorem 28.** *Let  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \nu, I_1)$  and  $g : (Y, \nu, I_1) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  be functions. If  $g \circ f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous and  $f$  is surjective, pre-I- $\theta$  closed, then  $g$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous.*

*Proof.* Let  $V$  be an open subset of  $Z$ . Since  $g \circ f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous,  ${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))) \subset f^{-1}(g^{-1}(Cl(V)))$  and hence

$$f({}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)))) \subset g^{-1}(Cl(V)).$$

Since  $f$  is pre-I- $\theta$  closed,  $f({}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))))$  is pre-I- $\theta$  closed,

$${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f(f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)))) \subset f({}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))))$$

and hence  ${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f(f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)))) \subset g^{-1}(Cl(V))$ . Finally, since  $f$  is surjective, it follows that  ${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}((g^{-1}(V))) \subset g^{-1}(Cl(V))$ , which proves that  $g$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous. ■

**Theorem 29.** *Let  $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \nu)$  and  $g : (Y, \nu) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  be functions. If  $g \circ f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Z, \sigma)$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous and  $g$  is a clopen injection, then  $f$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous.*

*Proof.* Let  $V$  be an open subset of  $Y$ . Since  $g$  is open and  $g \circ f$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous, we have

$${}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(V)) \subset {}_{PI}Cl_{\theta}(f^{-1}(g^{-1}(g(V)))) \subset f^{-1}(g^{-1}(Cl(g(V)))).$$

Furthermore, since  $g$  is closed and injective,

$$f^{-1}(g^{-1}(Cl(g(V)))) \subset f^{-1}(g^{-1}(g(Cl(V)))) = f^{-1}(Cl(V)).$$

Hence  ${}_P I Cl_\theta(f^{-1}(V)) \subset f^{-1}(Cl(V))$ , which proves that  $f$  is weakly  $\theta$ -pre-I continuous. ■

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