# A New Class of Contra Continuous Functions in Topological Spaces

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**ABSTRACT:-** In this paper, we introduce and investigate the notion of contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous, almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous functions and discussed the relationship with other contra continuous functions and obtained their characteristics.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Generalized closed sets in a topological space were introduced by Levine[11] in 1970. N.Palaniappan[13,14] introduced regular generalized closed sets and regular generalized star closed sets. The concept of regular continuous functions was first introduced by Arya.S.P and Gupta.R [1]in the year 1974.Dontchev[2] introduced the notion of contra continuous functions in 1996. Jafari and Noiri[7] introduced contra pre-continuous functions. Ekici.E[4] introduced almost contra pre-continuous functions in 2004. The notion of contra  $\pi$ g-continuity was introduced by Ekici.E [5]in 2008.Jeyanthi.V and Janaki.C[9] introduced the notion of  $\pi$ gr-closed sets in topological spaces in 2012.

In this paper, the notion of contra  $\pi$ gr-continuity which is a stronger form of contra  $\pi$ g-continuity and their characterizations are introduced and investigated. Further, the notion of almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuity is introduced and its properties are discussed.

#### II. PRELIMINARIES

In the present paper, the spaces X and Y always mean topological spaces  $(X,\tau)$  and  $(Y,\sigma)$  respectively. For a subset A of a space , cl(A) and int(A) represent the closure of A and interior of A respectively.

#### Definition:2.1

A subset A of X is said to be regular open [13]if A=int(cl(A)) and its complement is regular closed. The finite union of regular open set is  $\pi$ -open set[21] and its complement is  $\pi$ -closed set. The union of all regular open sets contained in A is called rint(A)[regular interior of A] and the intersection of regular closed sets containing A is called rcl(A)[regular closure of A]

#### Definition:2.2

A subset A of X is called

1. gr -closed[12,14] if  $rcl(A) \subset U$  whenever  $A \subset U$  and U is open.

2.  $\pi$ gr-closed[9] if rcl(A)  $\subset$ U whenever A $\subset$ U and U is  $\pi$ -open.

Definition:2.3

A function f:  $(X,\tau) \rightarrow (Y,\sigma)$  is called  $\pi$ gr-continuous[9] if f<sup>1</sup>(V) is  $\pi$ gr-closed in X for every closed set V in Y. **Definition :2.4** 

A function f:  $(X,\tau) \rightarrow (Y,\sigma)$  is called

(i)Contra continuous[2] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is closed in X for each open set V of Y.

(ii)Contra  $\pi$ g-continuous[5] if f<sup>-1</sup>(V) is  $\pi$ g-closed in X for each open set V of Y.

(iii)Contra  $\pi g\alpha$ -continuous [8] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\pi g\alpha$ -closed in X for each open set V of Y.

(iv)Contra  $\pi$ gb-continuous[18] if  $f^{1}(V)$  is  $\pi$ gb-closed in X for each open set V of Y.

(v)Contra  $\pi^*$ g-continuous[6] if  $f^1(V)$  is  $\pi^*$ g-closed in X for each open set V of Y.

(vi)Contra gr-continuous[12] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is gr-closed in X for each open set V of Y.

(vii) RC-continuous[5] if  $f^{1}(V)$  is regular closed in X for each open set V of Y.

(viii)An R-map [5]if  $f^{1}(V)$  is regular closed in X for every regular closed set V of Y.

(ix)Perfectly continuous [4] if  $f^{1}(V)$  is clopen in X for every open set V of Y.

(x)rc-preserving [5]if f(U) is regular closed in Y for every regular closed set U of X.

(xi)A function f:  $X \rightarrow Y$  is called regular set connected [5] if  $f^{1}(V)$  is clopen in X for every

(xii)Contra R-map[5] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is regular closed in X for each regular open set V of Y.

(xiii)Almost continuous[15] if  $f^{1}(V)$  is closed in X for every regular closed set V of Y.

# Definition :2.5

A space  $(X,\tau)$  is called

(i)a  $\pi$ gr-T<sub>1/2</sub> space [8] if every  $\pi$ gr-closed set is regular closed.

(ii)locally indiscrete[20] if every open subset of X is closed.

(iii)Weakly Hausdorff [17] if each element of X is an intersection of regular closed sets.

(iv)Ultra hausdorff space[19], if for every pair of distinct point x and y in X, there exist

clopensets U and V in X containing x and y respectively.

(v)Hyper connected[ 20] if every open set is dense.

# **Definition : 2.6**

A collection {Ai;  $i \in \Lambda$ } of open sets in a topological space X is called open cover [16] of a subset B of X if  $B \subset$ 

 $\cup$  {Ai ; i  $\in \Lambda$  } holds.

#### **Definition : 2.7**

A collection {Ai;  $i \in \Lambda$ } of  $\pi$ gr-open sets in a topological space X is called  $\pi$ gr-open cover [10] of a subset B of X if  $B \subset \bigcup$  {Ai ;  $i \in \Lambda$  } holds.

#### Definition:2.8

A space X is called  $\pi$ gr-connected [10] provided that X is not the union of two disjoint non-empty  $\pi$ gr-open sets.

#### Definition:2.9[5]

Let S be a closed subset of X. The set  $\cap \{U \in \tau/S \subset U\}$  is called the kernel of S and is denoted by Ker(S)

## III. CONTRA $\pi$ GR-CONTINUOUS FUNCTION.

#### Definition:3.1

A function f:  $(X,\tau) \rightarrow (Y,\sigma)$  is called Contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\pi$ gr-closed in  $(X,\tau)$  for each open set V of  $(Y,\sigma)$ .

#### Definition:3.2

A space  $(X,\tau)$  is called

(i)  $\pi$ gr-locally indiscrete if every  $\pi$ gr-open set is closed.

#### (ii) $T_{\pi gr}$ -space if every $\pi gr$ -closed is gr-closed.

#### Result:3.3

Contra Continuous and contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous are independent concepts.

# Example:3.4

a) Let  $X = \{a,b,c,d\} = Y, \tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a,b\}, \{a,c\}, \{a,b,c\}, \{a,b,d\}\}, \sigma = \{\phi, Y, \{c\}\}.$  Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be an identity map. Here the inverse image of the element c in the open set of Y is closed in X but not  $\pi$ gr-closed in X. Hence f is contra continuous and not contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous.

b)Let  $X=\{a,b,c,d\}=Y$ ,  $\tau =\{\phi,X,\{a\},\{b\},\{a,b\},\{a,c\},\{a,b,c\},\{a,b,d\}\},\sigma =\{\phi,Y,\{d\},\{a,d\}\}$ . Let f:X $\rightarrow$ Y be an identity map. Here the inverse image of the elements in the open set of Y are  $\pi$ gr-closed in X but not closed in X.Hence f is contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous and not contra continuous.

Hence contra continuity and contra  $\pi$ gr-continuity are independent concepts.

#### Theorem:3.5

Every RC-continuous function is contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous but not conversely.

#### **Proof:** Straight Forward.

#### Example:3.6

Let  $X=\{a,b,c,d\}=Y$ ,  $\tau = \{\phi,X,\{a\},\{c,d\},\{a,c,d\}\},\sigma = \{\phi,Y,\{a\},\{a,b\}\}$  Let  $f:X \rightarrow Y$  be defined by f(a)=b,f(b)=a,f(c)=c,f(d)=d. The inverse image of the element in the open set of Y is  $\pi$ gr-closed in X but not regular closed in X. Hence f is contra  $\pi$ gr- continuous and not RC-continuous.

#### Theorem:3.7

Every Contra gr-continuous function is contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous but not conversely.

#### **Proof:** Follows from the definition.

#### Example: 3.8

Let  $X = \{a,b,c,d\}, \tau = \{\phi, X, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{c,d\}, \{b,d\}, \{a,c,d\}, \{b,c,d\}\}, \sigma = \{\phi, Y, \{a\}, \{a,d\}\}$ . The inverse image of the element  $\{a,d\}$  in the open set of Y is  $\pi$ gr-closed in X but not gr-closed. Hence f is contra  $\pi$ gr- continuous and not contra gr-continuous.

#### Theorem:3.9

Every contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous function is contra  $\pi$ g- continuous,contra  $\pi$ \*g- continuous , contra  $\pi$ g $\alpha$ - continuous and contra  $\pi$ gb- continuous but not conversely.

### **Proof:** Straight Forward.

## Example:3.10

a)Let X= {a,b,c,d},  $\tau = \{\varphi, X, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{c,d\}, \{b,d\}, \{a,c,d\}, \{b,c,d\}\}$ . Here the inverse image of the element {b} in the open set of  $(Y,\sigma)$  is  $\pi g$ -closed in X, but not  $\pi g$ -closed in X. Hence f is contra  $\pi g$ -continuous and not contra  $\pi g$ -continuous.

b)Let X= {a,b,c,d},  $\tau = \{\varphi, X, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{c,d\}, \{b,d\}, \{a,c,d\}, \{b,c,d\}\}, \sigma = \{\varphi, Y, \{b\}\}$ . Here the inverse image of the element {b} in the open set of  $(Y,\sigma)$  is  $\pi^*g$ -closed in X, but not  $\pi gr$ -closed in X. Hence f is contra  $\pi^*g$ -continuous and not contra  $\pi gr$ -continuous.

c)Let X={a,b,c,d}=Y,  $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{c,d\}, \{a,c,d\}\}, \sigma = \{\phi, Y, \{a\}, \{a,b,c\}\}$ . Let f:X $\rightarrow$ Y be an identity map.The inverse image of the element {a}in the open set (Y, $\sigma$ ) is  $\pi$ gb-closed but not  $\pi$ gr-closed.Hence f is contra  $\pi$ gb-continuous and not contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous.

d)Let X={a,b,c,d}=Y,  $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a,b\}, \{b,c\}, \{a,b,c\}\}, \sigma = \{\phi, Y, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{c, d\}\}$ .Let f:X $\rightarrow$ Y be an identity map.The inverse image of all the elements in Y are  $\pi g\alpha$ -closed but not  $\pi gr$ -closed.Hence f is contra  $\pi g\alpha$ -continuous and not contra  $\pi gr$ -continuous.

#### Remark:3.11

The above relations are summarized in the following diagram.



#### Theorem:3.12

Suppose  $\pi grO(X,\tau)$  is closed under arbitrary unions. Then the following are equivalent for a function f: (X, $\tau$ ) $\rightarrow$ (Y, $\sigma$ ):

1. f is contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous.

2. For every closed subset F of Y,  $f^{-1}(F) \in \pi \text{grO}(X, \tau)$ 

3. For each  $x \in X$  and each  $F \in C(Y, f(x))$ , there exists a set  $U \in \pi GRO(X, x)$  such that  $f(U) \subset F$ .

**Proof:**(1)  $\Leftrightarrow$ (2):Let f is contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous. Then f<sup>1</sup>(V) is  $\pi$ gr-closed in X for every open set V of Y.(i.e) f

<sup>1</sup>(F) is  $\pi$ gr-open in X for every closed set F of Y. Hence

 $f^{1} \in \pi grO(X).$ 

 $(2)\Rightarrow(1)$ :Obvious.

(2)⇒(3) :For every closed subset F of Y,  $f^{-1}(F) \in \pi GRO(X)$ . Then for each x∈X and each F∈C(Y,f(x)), there exists a set U  $\in \pi GRO(X,x)$  such that  $f(U) \subset F$ .

 $(3)\Rightarrow(2)$ : For each  $x\in X$ ,  $F\in C(Y,f(x))$ , there exists a set  $U_x \in \pi GRO(X,x)$  such that  $f(U_x) \subset F$ . Let F be a closed set of Y and  $x\in f^1(F)$ . Then  $f(x)\in F$ , there exist  $U\in \pi GRO(X,x)$  such that  $f(U)\subset F$ . Therefore,  $f^1(F)=\cup \{U_x:x\in f^1(F)\}$ . Hence  $f^1(F)$  is  $\pi$ gr-open.

#### Theorem:3.13

If f:X $\rightarrow$ Y is contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous and U is open in X. Then f/U : (U, $\tau$ )  $\rightarrow$ (Y, $\sigma$ ) is contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous.

**Proof:** Let V be any closed set in Y. Since  $f: (X,\tau) \to (Y,\sigma)$  is contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\pi$ gr-open in X,  $(f/U)^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(V) \cap U$  is contra  $\pi$ gr-open in X. Hence  $f((f/U)^{-1}(V))$  is  $\pi$ gr-open in U.

## Theorem:3.14

If a function f:  $(X,\tau) \rightarrow (Y,\sigma)$  is  $\pi gr$ -continuous and the space  $(X,\tau)$  is  $\pi gr$ -locally indiscrete ,then f is contra continuous.

**Proof:**Let V be a open set in  $(Y,\sigma)$ . Since f is  $\pi$ gr-continuous,  $f^1(V)$  is open in X. Since X is locally  $\pi$ gr-indiscrete  $f^1(V)$  is closed in X.Hence f is contra continuous.

Theorem:3.15

If a function f:X $\rightarrow$ Y is contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous, X is a  $\pi$ gr- T<sub>1/2</sub>- space, then f is RC- continuous.

**Proof:** Let V be open in Y. Since f is contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\pi$ gr-closed in X.Since X is a  $\pi$ gr-T<sub>1/2</sub>-space,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is regular-closed in X.Thus for the open set V of Y,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is regular closed in X. Hence f is RC-continuous.

#### Theorem:3.16

I f a function f:  $(X,\tau) \rightarrow (Y,\sigma)$  is contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous, rc-preserving surjection and if X is a  $\pi$ gr - T<sub>1/2</sub>-space, then Y is locally indiscrete.

**Proof:** Let V be open in Y. Since f is contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous, f<sup>1</sup>(V) is  $\pi$ gr- closed in X. Since X is a  $\pi$ gr-T<sub>1/2</sub> - space, f<sup>1</sup>(V) is regular closed in X. Since f is rc-preserving surjection, f(f<sup>1</sup>(V)) = V is regular closed in Y. Thus cl(V) = cl(int(V)) ⊂ cl(int(cl(V)))⊂V.Hence V is closed in Y.Therefore, Y is locally indiscrete.

# Theorem:3.17

If a function f:  $(X,\tau) \rightarrow (Y,\sigma)$  is contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous and X is a  $\pi$ gr-space, then f: $(X,\tau) \rightarrow (Y,\sigma)$  is contra gr-continuous.

**Proof:**Let V be an open set in Y. Since f is contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous,  $f^{1}(V)$  is  $\pi$ gr-closed in X. Since X is a  $T_{\pi gr}$ -space,  $f^{1}(V)$  is gr-closed in X. Thus for every open set V of Y,  $f^{1}(V)$  is gr-closed. Hence f is contra gr-continuous.

#### Theorem:3.18

Suppose  $\pi GRO(X,\tau)$  is closed under arbitrary unions, let f: X  $\rightarrow$  Y be a function and {U<sub>i</sub> : i  $\in$  I=1,2,,,,} be a cover of X such that U<sub>i</sub>  $\in \pi GRC(X,\tau)$  and regular open for each i  $\in$  I.If f/U<sub>i</sub> :(U<sub>i</sub>,  $\tau/U_i$ ) $\rightarrow$ (Y, $\sigma$ ) is contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous for each i  $\in$  I, then f is contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous.

**Proof:** Suppose that F is any closed set of Y.

We have  $f^{-1}(F) = \bigcup \{f \in F\}$ 

<sup>1</sup>(F)  $\cap U_i:i \in I$  =  $\cup \{(f/U_i)^{-1}(F) : i \in I\}$ . Since  $(f/U_i)$  is contra  $\pi gr$ -continuous for each  $i \in I$ , it follows that  $(f/U_i)^{-1}(F) \in \pi GRO(U_i)$ .  $\Rightarrow (f/U_i)^{-1}(F) \in \pi GRO(X)$  and hence f is contra  $\pi gr$ -continuous.

#### Theorem:3.19

Suppose  $\pi GRO(X,\tau)$  is closed under arbitrary unions. If f:X $\rightarrow$ Y is contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous if Y is regular, then f is  $\pi$ gr-continuous.

**Proof:**Let x be an arbitrary point of X and V be an open set of Y containing f(x). The regularity of Y implies that there exists an open set W in Y containing f(x) such that  $cl(W) \subset V$ . Since f is contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous, then there exists  $U \in \pi GRO(X,x)$  such that  $f(U) \subset cl(W)$ . Then  $f(U) \subset cl(W) \subset V$ . Hence f is  $\pi$ gr-continuous.

#### Theorem:3.20

Suppose that  $\pi GRC(X)$  is closed under arbitrary intersections . Then the following are equivalent for a function f:  $X \rightarrow Y$ .

1) f is contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous.

2)The inverse image of every closed set of Y is  $\pi$ gr-open.

3)For each  $x \in X$  and each closed set B in Y with  $f(x) \in B$ , there exists a  $\pi gr$ -open set A in X such that  $x \in A$  and  $f(A) \subset B$ .

4) $f(\pi gr-cl(A))$ ⊂Ker f(A) for every subset A of X.

5)πgr-cl( $f^{-1}(B)$ )⊂ $f^{-1}(Ker(B))$  for every subset B of Y.

#### **Proof:**

 $(1)\Rightarrow(2)$  and  $(2)\Rightarrow(1)$  are obviously true.

(1)⇒(3):Let x∈X and B be a closed set in Y with  $f(x)\in B$ . By (1), it follows that  $f^{-1}(Y-B) = X - f^{-1}(B)$  is  $\pi$ gr-closed and so  $f^{-1}(B)$  is  $\pi$ gr-open.

Take  $A = f^{-1}(B)$ . We obtain that  $x \in A$  and  $f(A) \subset B$ 

 $(3) \Rightarrow (2)$ :Let B be a closed set in Y with  $x \in f^{1}(B)$ . Since  $f(x) \in B$ , by (3), there exists a  $\pi$ gr-open set A in X containing x such that  $f(A) \subset B$ . It follows that  $x \in A \subset f^{1}(B)$ .Hence  $f^{1}(B)$  is  $\pi$ gr-open.

 $(2)\Rightarrow(1)$ :Obvious.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$ (4): Let A be any subset of X. Let  $y \notin \text{Ker } f(A)$ . Then there exists a closed set F containing y such that  $f(A) \cap F = \varphi$ . Hence, we have  $A \cap f^1(F) = \varphi$ .  $\pi \text{gr-cl}(A) \cap f^1(F) = \varphi$ . Thus  $f(\pi \text{gr-cl}(A)) \subset F = \varphi$  and  $y \notin f(\pi \text{gr-cl}(A))$  and hence  $f(\pi \text{gr-cl}(A)) \subset \text{Ker } f(A)$ (4) $\Rightarrow$ (5): Let B be any subset of Y. By (4),  $f(\pi \text{gr-cl}(f^1(B)) \subset \text{Ker } B$  and  $\pi \text{gr-cl}(f^1(B)) \subset f$ 

(4)⇒(5): Let B be any subset of Y. By (4),  $f(\pi gr-cl(f^{-1}(B)) \subset Ker B and ^{-1}(ker B).$ 

 $(5) \Rightarrow (1)$ :Let B be any open set of Y. By (5),  $\pi \text{gr-cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \subset f^{-1}(\text{KerB}) = f^{-1}(B)$ 

 $\pi$ gr-cl(f<sup>1</sup>(B)) = f<sup>1</sup>(B), We obtain f<sup>1</sup>(B) is  $\pi$ gr-closed in X.

Hence f is contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous.

# IV. ALMOST CONTRA $\pi$ GR-CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS.

#### **Definition:4.1**

A function  $f:X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be almost contra continuous [4] if  $f^{1}(V)$  is closed in X for each regular open set V of Y.

#### Definition:4.2

A function  $f:X \to Y$  is said to be almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\pi$ gr-closed in X for each regular open set V of Y.

#### **Definition:4.3**

A topological space X is said to be  $\pi gr$ -  $T_1$ - space if for any pair of distinct points x and y, there exists a  $\pi gr$ -open sets G and H such that  $x \in G$ ,  $y \notin G$  and  $x \notin H$ ,  $y \in H$ .

# **Definition:4.4**

A topological space X is said to be  $\pi$ gr-T<sub>2</sub>-space if for any pair of distinct points x and y, there exists disjoint  $\pi$ gr-open sets G and H such that x $\in$ G and y $\in$ H.

# Definition:4.5

A topological space X is said to be  $\pi$ gr-Normal if each pair of disjoint closed sets can be separated by disjoint  $\pi$ gr-open sets.

## Definition:4.32

A function  $f: X \to Y$  is called Weakly  $\pi$ gr-continuous if for each  $x \in X$  and each open set V of Y containing f(x), there exists  $U \in \pi$ grO(X,x) such that  $f(U) \subset cl(V)$ .

# Definition:4.7

A space X is said to be

1. $\pi$ gr-compact[10] if every  $\pi$ gr-open cover of X has a finite sub-cover.

2.Nearly compact[16] if every regular open cover has a finite subcover.

3.Nearly lindelof [16] if every regular open cover of X has a countable subcover.

4.S-lindelof [4]if every cover of X by regular closed sets has a countable subcover.

5.S-closed[3] if every regular closed cover of X has a finite subcover.

#### Definition:4.8

A space X is said to be

1.  $\pi$ gr-lindelof if every  $\pi$ gr-open cover of X has a countable subcover.

2. Mildly  $\pi$ gr-compact if every  $\pi$ gr-clopen cover of X has a finite subcover.

3. Mildly  $\pi$ gr-lindelof if every  $\pi$ gr-clopen cover of X has a countable subcover.

4. Countably  $\pi$ gr-compact if every countable cover of X by  $\pi$ gr-open sets has a finite

#### subcover.

#### Theorem:4.9

Suppose  $\pi gr$ -open set of X is closed under arbitrary unions. The following statements are equivalent for a function f: X $\rightarrow$ Y.

(1) f is almost contra  $\pi$ gr- continuous.

(2) $f^{-1}(F) \in \pi GRO(X, \tau)$  for every F∈RC(Y).

(3)For each  $x \in X$  and each regular closed set F in Y containing f(x), there exists a  $\pi gr$ -

open set U in X containing x such that  $f(U) \subset F$ .

(4)For each  $x \in X$  and each regular open set V in Y not containing f(x), there exists a  $\pi$ gr-closed set K in X not containing x such that  $f^{-1}(V) \subset K$ .

(5) $f^{-1}$ (int (cl(G))∈  $\pi$ GRC(X, $\tau$ ) for every open subset G of Y.

(6) $f^{1}(cl(int(F))) \in \pi GRO(X,\tau)$  for every closed subset F of Y.

**Proof:** (1) $\Rightarrow$ (2):Let  $F \in RC(Y,\sigma)$ . Then  $Y - F \in RO(Y,\sigma)$ . Since f is almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous,  $f^{-1}(Y - F) = X - f^{-1}(F) \in \pi GRC(X)$ . Hence  $f^{-1}(F) \in \pi GRO(X)$ .

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1): \text{Let } V \in \text{RO}(Y, \sigma). \text{ Then } Y - V \in \text{RC}(Y, \sigma). \text{ Since for each } F \in \text{RC}(Y, \sigma), \qquad f^{1}(F) \in \pi \text{GRO}(X).$  $\Rightarrow f^{1}(Y - V) = X - f^{1}(V) \in \pi \text{GRO}(X)$ 

 $\Rightarrow f^{-1}(V) \in \pi GRC(X)$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  f is almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous.

(2)⇒(3):Let F be any regular closed set in Y containing f(x).  $f^{1}(F) \in \pi GRO(X,\tau)$ ,  $x \in f^{1}(F)$ .By Taking U=  $f^{1}(F)$ ,  $f(U) \subset F$ .

 $(3) \Rightarrow (2)$ :Let  $F \in RC(Y,\sigma)$  and  $x \in f^{-1}(F)$ . From (3), there exists a  $\pi$ gr-open set U in X containing x such that  $U \subset f^{-1}(F)$ . We have  $f^{-1}(F) = \cup \{U: x \in f^{-1}(F)\}$ . Thus  $f^{-1}(F)$  is  $\pi$ gr-open.

 $(3)\Rightarrow(4)$ :Let X be a regular open set in Y not containing f(x). Then Y–V is a regular closed set containing f(x). By (3), there exists a  $\pi$ gr-open set U in X containing x such that  $f(U) \subset Y-V$ . Hence  $U \subset f^1(Y-V) \subset X-f^1(V)$ . Then  $f^1(V) \subset X-U$ .

Take K = X–U. We obtain a  $\pi$ gr-closed set K in X not containing x such that  $f^{-1}(V) \subset K$ .

 $(4) \Rightarrow (3)$ Let F be a regular closed set in Y containing f(x). Then Y-F is a regular open set in Y containing f(x). By (4), there exists a  $\pi$ gr-closed set K in X not containing x such that  $f^1(Y-F) \subset K$ ,  $X-f^1(F) \subset K$ . Hence X-K  $\subset f^1(F)$ . Hence  $f(X-K) \subset F$ . Take U= X-K,  $f(U) \subset F$ . Then U is a  $\pi$ gr-open set in X containing x such that  $f(U) \subset F$ .

(1) $\Rightarrow$  (5):L et G be an open subset of Y. Since in(cl(G)) is regular open, then by (1),

 $f^{1}(int(cl(G))\in \pi GRC(X,\tau))$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  f is almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous.

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(5)⇒(1):Let V∈RO(Y,\sigma). Then V is open in X. By (5), f<sup>-1</sup>(int (cl(V)) ∈πGRC(X,τ)
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 $\Rightarrow$  f<sup>-1</sup>(V) $\in \pi GRC(X,\tau)$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  f is almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous.

 $(2) \Leftrightarrow (6)$  is similar to  $(1) \Leftrightarrow (5)$ 

# Theorem:4.10

Every contra  $\pi$ gr- continuous function is almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous but not conversely.

**Proof:** Straight forward.

### Example:4.11

Let  $X = \{a,b,c,d\}, \quad \tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{c,d\}, \{a,c,d\}\}, \quad \pi \text{gr-closed set=}\{\phi, X, \{b\}, \{a,b\}, \{b,c\}, \{b,d\}, \{a,b,c\}, \{a,b,d\}, \{b,c,d\}\}.$  Let  $Y = \{a,b,c,d\}, \quad \sigma = \{\phi,Y, \{a\}, \{a,b\}\}.$  Let f be an identity map. The inverse image of open set in Y is not  $\pi \text{gr-closed in } X$ . But the inverse image of regular open set in Y is  $\pi \text{gr-closed in } X$ . But the inverse image of regular open set in Y is  $\pi \text{gr-closed in } X$ . But the inverse image of regular open set in Y is  $\pi \text{gr-closed in } X$ . But the inverse image of regular open set in Y is  $\pi \text{gr-closed in } X$ .

## Theorem:4.12

Every regular set connected function is almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous but not conversely.

## Example:4.13

Let  $X = \{a,b,c\}, \quad \tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a,c\}\}, \{a,c\}\}, \quad \tau^c = \{\phi, X, \{b,c\}, \{a,c\}, \{c\}, \{b\}\}, \quad \pi gr-closed set=\{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a,c\}, \{a,c\}, \{b,c\}\}.$  Let  $Y = \{a,b,c\}, \quad \sigma = \{\phi, Y, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a,b\}\}.$  Let f be an identity map. The inverse image of regular open set  $\{a\}$  is not clopen in X. But the inverse image of open set in Y is  $\pi gr$ -closed in X. Hence f is almost contra  $\pi gr$ -continuous and not regular set connected.

## Theorem:4.14

Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$ ,  $g: Y \rightarrow Z$  be two functions. Then the following properties hold.

- a)If f is almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous and g is regular set connected, then gof: X $\rightarrow$ Z is almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous and almost  $\pi$ gr-continuous.
- b) If f is almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous and g is perfectly continuous, then gof: X $\rightarrow$ Z is  $\pi$ gr-continuous and contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous.
- c) If f is contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous and g is regular set connected, then gof: X $\rightarrow$ Z is  $\pi$ gr-continuous and almost  $\pi$ gr-continuous.

## **Proof:**

a)Let  $V \in RO(Z)$ . Since g is regular set connected,  $g^{-1}(V)$  is clopen in Y. Since f is almost contra  $\pi gr$ -continuous,  $f^{-1}[g^{-1}(V)] = (gof)^{-1}(V)$  is  $\pi gr$ -open and  $\pi gr$ -closed. Therefore, (gof) is almost contra  $\pi gr$ -continuous and almost  $\pi gr$ -continuous

b) Let V be open in Z. Since g is perfectly continuous,  $g^{-1}(V)$  is clopen in Y.Since f is almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous,  $f^{1}[g^{-1}(V)] = (gof)^{-1}(V)$  is  $\pi$ gr-open and  $\pi$ gr-closed.Hence gof is contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous and  $\pi$ gr-continuous.

c) Let V  $\in$  RO(Z). Since g is regular set connected, g<sup>-1</sup>(V) is clopen in Y. Since f is a contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous, f<sup>-1</sup>[g<sup>-1</sup>(V)] = (gof)<sup>-1</sup>(V) is  $\pi$ gr-closed in X. Therefore, (gof) is  $\pi$ gr-continuous and almost  $\pi$ gr-continuous. **Theorem:4.15** 

If f:X $\rightarrow$ Y is an almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous, injection and Y is weakly hausdorff, then X is  $\pi$ gr-T<sub>1</sub>.

**Proof:** Suppose Y is weakly hausdorff. For any distinct points x and y in X, there exists V and W regular closed sets in Y such that  $f(x) \in V, f(y) \notin V, f(y) \in W$  and  $f(x) \notin W$ . Since f is almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous,  $f^{-1}(V)$  and  $f^{-1}(W)$  are  $\pi$ gr-open subsets of X such that  $x \in f^{-1}(V), y \notin f^{-1}(W)$  and  $x \notin f^{-1}(W)$ . This shows that X is  $\pi$ gr-T<sub>1</sub>.

# Corollary:4.16

If f:X $\rightarrow$ Y is a contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous injection and Y is weakly hausdorff, then X is  $\pi$ gr-T<sub>1</sub>.

**Proof:** Since every contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous function is almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous, the result of this corollary follows by using the above theorem.

# Theorem:4.17

If  $f:X \rightarrow Y$  is an almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous injective function from space X to a ultra Hausdorff space Y, then X is  $\pi$ gr-T<sub>2</sub>.

**Proof:** Let x and y be any two distinct points in X. Since f is injective,  $f(x) \neq f(y)$  and Y is Ultra Hausdorff space, there exists disjoint clopen sets U and V of Y containing f(x) and f(y) respectively. Then  $x \in f^{-1}(U)$ ,  $y \in f^{-1}(V)$ , where  $f^{-1}(U)$  and  $f^{-1}(V)$  are disjoint  $\pi$ gr-open sets in X. Therefore, X is  $\pi$ gr-T<sub>2</sub>.

# Theorem:4.18

If f:X $\rightarrow$ Y is an almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous injection and Y is Ultra Normal. Then X is  $\pi$ gr-normal.

**Proof:** Let G and H be disjoint closed subsets of X. Since f is closed and injective, f(E) and f(F) are disjoint closed sets in Y. Since Y is Ultra Normal, there exists disjoint clopen sets U and V in Y such that  $f(G) \subset U$  and  $f(H) \subset V$ . Hence  $G \subset f^1(U)$ ,  $H \subset f^1(V)$ . Since f is an almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous injective function,  $f^1(U)$  and f  $^1(V)$  are disjoint  $\pi$ gr-open sets in X. Hence X is  $\pi$ gr- Normal.

# Theorem:4.20

If f:  $X \rightarrow Y$  is an almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous surjection and X is  $\pi$ gr-connected space, then Y is connected.

**Proof:** Let  $f:X \to Y$  be an almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous surjection and X is  $\pi$ gr-connected space. Suppose Y is not connected space, then there exists disjoint open sets U and V such that Y=UUV. Therefore, U and V are clopen in Y. Since f is almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous,  $f^{1}(U)$  and  $f^{1}(V)$  are  $\pi$ gr-open sets in X. Moreover,  $f^{1}(U)$  and  $f^{1}(V)$  are non-empty disjoint  $\pi$ gr-open sets and X= $f^{1}(U)\cup f^{1}(V)$ . This is a contradiction to the fact that X is  $\pi$ gr-connected space. Therefore, Y is connected.

## Theorem:4.21

If X is  $\pi$ gr-Ultra connected and f:X $\rightarrow$ Y is an almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous surjective, then Y is hyper connected.

**Proof:** Let X be a  $\pi$ gr-Ultra connected and f: X $\rightarrow$ Y is an almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous surjection. Suppose Y is not hyper connected. Then there exists an open set V such that V is not dense in Y. Therefore, there exists non-empty regular open subsets B<sub>1</sub> = int(cl(V)) and B<sub>2</sub>= Y-cl(V) in Y. Since f is an almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous surjection, f<sup>1</sup>(B<sub>1</sub>) and f<sup>1</sup>(B<sub>2</sub>) are disjoint  $\pi$ gr-closed sets in X.This is a contradiction to the fact that X is  $\pi$ gr-ultra connected. Therefore, Y is hyper connected.

#### Theorem:4.22

If a function f:  $X \rightarrow Y$  is an almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous, then f is weakly  $\pi$ gr-continuous function.

**Proof:** Let  $x \in X$  and V be an open set in Y containing f(x). Then cl(V) is regular closed in Y containing f(x). Since f is an almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous function for every regular closed set  $f^1(V)$  is  $\pi$ gr-open in X.Hence  $f^1(cl(V))$  is  $\pi$ gr-open set in X containing x.Set  $U = f^1(cl(V))$ , then  $f(U) \subset f(f^1(cl(V)) \subset cl(V)$ .This shows that f is weakly  $\pi$ gr-continuous function.

#### Theorem:4.23

Let f: X $\rightarrow$ Y be an almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous surjection. Then the following properties hold:

- 1. If X is  $\pi$ gr-compact, then Y is S-closed.
- 2. If X is countably  $\pi$ gr-closed, then Y is countably S-closed.
- 3. If X is  $\pi$ gr-lindelof, then Y is S-lindelof.

#### **Proof:**

1)Let  $\{V_{\alpha}: \alpha \in I\}$  be any regular closed cover of Y. Since f is almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous,  $\{f^1\{V_{\alpha}\}: \alpha \in I\}$  is  $\pi$ gr-open cover of X. Since X is  $\pi$ gr-compact, there exists a finite subset  $I_o$  of I such that  $X = \bigcup \{f^1\{V_{\alpha}\}: \alpha \in I_o\}$ . Since f is surjective,  $Y = \bigcup \{V_{\alpha}: \alpha \in I_o\}$  is finite sub cover of Y. Therefore, Y is S-closed.

2) Let  $\{V_{\alpha}:\alpha \in I\}$  be any countable regular closed cover of Y. Since f is almost contra  $\pi gr$ -continuous,  $\{f^{-1}\{V_{\alpha}\}:\alpha \in I\}$  is countable  $\pi gr$ -open cover of X. Since X is countably  $\pi gr$ -compact, there exists a finite subset  $I_{o}$  of I such that  $X=\cup\{f^{-1}\{V_{\alpha}\}:\alpha \in I_{o}\}$ . Since f is surjective  $Y=\cup\{V_{\alpha}:\alpha \in I_{o}\}$  is finite subcover for Y. Therefore, Y is countably S-closed.

3)Let  $\{V_{\alpha}:\alpha \in I\}$  be any regular closed cover of Y. Since f is almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous,  $\{f^{1}\{V_{\alpha}\}:\alpha \in I\}$  is  $\pi$ gr-open cover of X. Since X is  $\pi$ gr-lindelof, there exists a countable subset  $I_{o}$  of I such that  $X=\cup\{f^{1}\{V_{\alpha}\}:\alpha \in I_{o}\}$ . Since f is surjective,  $Y=\cup\{V_{\alpha}:\alpha \in I_{o}\}$  is finite sub cover of Y. Therefore Y is S-lindelof.

#### Theorem:4.24

Let f:  $X \rightarrow Y$  be an almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous and almost continuous surjection. Then the following properties hold.

(1)If X is mildly  $\pi$ gr-closed, then Y is nearly compact.

(2)If X is mildly countably  $\pi$ gr-compact, then Y is nearly countably compact.

(3)If X is mildly  $\pi$ gr-lindelof, then Y is nearly lindelof.

#### **Proof:**

1) Let  $\{V_{\alpha}:\alpha \in I\}$  be any open cover of Y. Since f is almost contra  $\pi gr$ -continuous and almost  $\pi gr$  continuous function,  $\{f^1\{V_{\alpha}\}:\alpha \in I\}$  is  $\pi gr$ -clopen cover of X.Since X is mildly  $\pi gr$ -compact, there exists a finite subset  $I_o$  of I such that  $X=\cup\{f^1\{V_{\alpha}\}:\alpha \in I_o\}$  Since f is surjective,  $Y==\cup\{V_{\alpha}:\alpha \in I_o\}$  is finite subcover for Y. Therefore, Y is nearly compact.

2) Similar to that of (1).

3)Let  $\{V_{\alpha}:\alpha \in I\}$  be any regular open cover of Y. Since f is almost contra  $\pi$ gr-continuous and almost  $\pi$ gr-continuous function,  $\{f^1\{V_{\alpha}\}:\alpha \in I\}$  is  $\pi$ gr-closed cover of X.Since X is mildly  $\pi$ gr-lindelof, there exists a countable subset  $I_o$  of I such that  $X=\cup\{f^1\{V_{\alpha}\}:\alpha \in I_o\}$ . Since f is surjective,  $Y==\cup\{V_{\alpha}:\alpha \in I_o\}$  is finite subcover for Y. Therefore, Y is nearly lindelof.

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