

## **$q$ -Continuous Functions in Quad Topological Spaces**

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**Abstract.** The purpose of this paper is to study the properties of  $q$ -open sets and  $q$ -closed sets and introduce  $q$ -continuous function in quad topological spaces ( $q$ -topological spaces).

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### **1. Introduction**

The concept of bitopological spaces was introduced by Kelly [2] as an extension of topological spaces in 1963. A nonempty set  $X$  with two topologies is called bitopological spaces. The study of tri-topological spaces was first initiated by Kovar [3] in 2000, where a non empty set  $X$  with three topologies is called tri-topological spaces. Biswas [1] defined some mapping in topological spaces. tri  $\alpha$  Continuous Functions and tri  $\beta$  continuous functions introduced by Palaniammal [5] in 2011. Mukundan [4] introduced the concept on topological structures with four topologies, quad topology (4-tuple topology) and defined new types of open (closed) sets. In year 2011, Sweedy and Hassan [6] defined  $\delta^{**}$ -continuous function in tritopological space. In this paper, we study the properties of  $q$ -open sets and  $q$ -closed sets and  $q$ -continuous function in quad topological space ( $q$ -topological spaces).

### **2. Preliminaries**

**Definition 2.1.[4]** Let  $X$  be a nonempty set and  $T_1, T_2, T_3$  and  $T_4$  are general topologies on  $X$ . Then a subset  $A$  of space  $X$  is said to be quad-open ( $q$ -open) set if  $A \subset T_1 \cup T_2 \cup T_3 \cup T_4$  and its complement is said to be  $q$ -closed and set  $X$  with four topologies called  $q$ -topological spaces  $(X, T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4)$ .  $q$ -open sets satisfy all the axioms of topology.

**Note 2.2.[4]** We will denote the  $q$ -interior (resp.  $q$ -closure) of any subset, say of  $A$  by  $q\text{-int}A$  ( $q\text{-cl}A$ ), where  $q\text{-int}A$  is the union of all  $q$ -open sets contained in  $A$ , and  $q\text{-cl}A$  is the intersection of all  $q$ -closed sets containing  $A$ .

### **3. Properties of $q$ -open and $q$ -closed sets**

**Theorem 3.1.** Arbitrary union of  $q$ -open sets is  $q$ -open.

**Proof:** Let  $\{A_\alpha / \alpha \in I\}$  be a family of  $q$ -open sets in  $X$ .

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For each  $\alpha \in I, A_\alpha \subset T_1 \cup T_2 \cup T_3 \cup T_4$ . Therefore,  $\cup A_\alpha \subset T_1 \cup T_2 \cup T_3 \cup T_4$ . (by definition of q-open sets). Therefore  $\cup A_\alpha$  is q-open.

**Theorem 3.2.** Arbitrary intersection of q-closed sets is q-closed.

**Proof:** Let  $\{B_\alpha / \alpha \in I\}$  be a family of q-closed sets in  $X$ .

Let  $A_\alpha = B_\alpha^c$ .  $\{A_\alpha / \alpha \in I\}$  be a family of q-open sets in  $X$ .

Arbitrary union of q-open sets is q-open. Hence  $\cup A_\alpha$  is q-open and hence  $(\cup A_\alpha)^c$  is q-closed i.e  $\cap A_\alpha^c$  is q-closed i.e  $\cap B_\alpha$  is q-closed. Hence arbitrary intersection of q-closed sets is q-closed.

**Definition 3.3. [4]** Let  $(X, T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4)$  be a q-topological space. Let  $A \subset X$ , an element  $x \in A$  is called q-interior point of  $A$ , if  $\exists$  a q-open set  $V$  such that  $x \in V \subset A$ .

**Definition 3.4 [4]** The set of all q-interior points of  $A$  is called q-interior of  $A$  and is denoted as  $q-int A$ .

**Note 3.5.** (1)  $q-int A \subset A$ .

(2)  $q-int A$  is q-open.

(3)  $q-int A$  is the largest q-open set contained in  $A$ .

**Theorem 3.6.** Let  $(X, T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4)$  be a q-topological space. Let  $A \subset X$  then  $A$  is q-open iff  $A = q-int A$ .

**Proof:**  $A$  is q-open and  $A \subset A$ . Therefore,  $A \in \{B / B \subset A, B \text{ is q-open}\}$

$A$  is in the collection and every other member in the collection is a subset of  $A$  and hence the union of this collection is  $A$ . Hence  $\cup \{B / B \subset A, B \text{ is q-open}\} = A$  and hence  $q-int A = A$ .

Conversely, since  $q-int A$  is q-open,

$A = q-int A$  implies that  $A$  is q-open.

**Theorem 3.7.**  $q-int (A \cup B) \supseteq q-int A \cup q-int B$

**Proof:**  $q-int A \subset A$  and  $q-int A$  is q-open.

$q-int B \subset B$  and  $q-int B$  is q-open.

Union of two q-open sets is q-open and hence  $q-int A \cup q-int B$  is a q-open set. Also  $q-int A \cup q-int B \subset A \cup B$ .

$q-int A \cup q-int B$  is one q-open subset of  $A \cup B$  and  $q-int (A \cup B)$  is the largest q-open subset of  $A \cup B$ .

Hence,  $q-int (A \cup B) \supseteq q-int A \cup q-int B$ .

**Definition 3.8. [4]** Let  $(X, T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4)$  be a quad topological space and let  $A \subset X$ . The intersection of all q-closed sets containing  $A$  is called the q-closure of  $A$  & denoted by  $q-cl A$ .  $q-cl A = \cap \{B / B \supseteq A, B \text{ is tri a closed}\}$ .

**Note 3.9.** Since intersection of q-closed sets is q-closed,  $q-cl A$  is a q-closed set.

**Note 3.10.**  $q-cl A$  is the smallest q-closed set containing  $A$ .

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**Theorem 3.11.** A is q-closed iff  $A = q-cl A$ .

**Proof:**  $q-cl A = \cap \{ B / B \supset A, B \text{ is q-closed} \}$ .

If A is a q-closed then A is a member of the above collection and each member contains A. Hence their intersection is A. Hence  $q-cl A = A$ . Conversely if  $A = q-cl A$ , then A is q-closed because q-cl A is a q-closed set.

**Theorem 3.12.** Let  $(X, T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4)$  be a quad topological space for any  $A \subset X$   
 $(q-intA)^c = q-clA^c$ .

**Proof:**  $(q-intA)^c = [\cup \{ G/G \subset A \ \& \ G \text{ is q-open} \}]^c$   
 $= \cap \{ G^c/G^c \supset A^c \ \& \ G^c \text{ is q-closed} \}$   
 $= \cap \{ F = G^c/F \supset A^c \ \& \ F \text{ is q-closed} \}$  where  $F = G^c$   
 $= q-clA^c$ .

**Definition 3.13.** Let  $A \subset X$ , be a quad topological space.  $x \in X$  is called a q-limit point of A, if every q-open set U containing x, intersects  $A - \{x\}$ .(ie) every q-open set containing x, contains a point of A other than x.

**Example 3.14.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,

$T_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ ,  $T_2 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, X\}$ ,  $T_3 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$ ,  $T_4 = \{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, X\}$ .

q-open sets are  $\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}$

Consider  $A = \{a, c\}$ . Then b is a q-limit point of A.

**Definition 3.15.** Let  $A \subset X$ . The set of all q-limit points of A is called the q-derived set of A and is denoted as  $q-D(A)$ .

**Theorem 3.16.**  $q-cl A = A \cup q-D(A)$ .

**Proof:** Let  $x \in q-cl A$ . If  $x \in A$ , then  $x \in A \cup q-D(A)$ . If  $x \notin A$ , then we claim that x is a q-limit point of A. Let U be a q-open set containing x. Suppose  $U \cap A = \emptyset$ . Then  $A \subset U^c$  and  $U^c$  is q-closed and hence  $q-cl A \subset U^c$ . This implies  $x \in U^c \implies U \cap A \neq \emptyset$ . Therefore every q-open set U containing x intersects  $A - \{x\}$ . Hence  $x \in q-D(A)$  and  $x \in A \cup q-D(A)$ . Therefore  $q-cl A \subset A \cup q-D(A)$

Conversely, it is clear that  $A \subset q-cl A$ . It is enough to prove  $q-D(A) \subset q-cl A$ .

Let  $x \in q-D(A)$ . If  $x \in A$  then it is true. So let us take  $x \notin A$ . Now we have to prove that  $x \in$  every q-closed set containing A. Suppose not,  $x \notin B$  where B is a q-closed set containing A.  $B \supset A$  Now  $x \in B^c$ ,  $B^c$  is q-open and  $B^c \cap A = \emptyset$ . Contradiction to the fact that x is a q-limit point of A. Hence  $x \in$  every q-closed set containing A. Therefore  $x \in q-cl A$ .

Hence  $A \cup q-D(A) \subset q-cl A$ .

Hence  $q-cl A = A \cup q-D(A)$ .

### 4. q-continuous function

**Definition 4.1.** Let  $(X, T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4)$  and  $(Y, T_1', T_2', T_3', T_4')$  be two quad topological spaces. A function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is called q-continuous function if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is q-open in X, for every q-open set V in Y.

**Example 4.2.** Let  $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ ,  $T_1 = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, X\}$ ,  $T_2 = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{1, 3\}, X\}$ ,

$T_3 = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{1, 2\}, X\}$ ,  $T_4 = \{\emptyset, \{4\}, \{1, 4\}, X\}$

Let  $Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  $T_1' = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, Y\}$ ,  $T_2' = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, Y\}$ ,

$T_3' = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, Y\}$ ,  $T_4' = \{\emptyset, \{d\}, \{a, d\}, Y\}$

Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a function defined as  $f(1) = a; f(2) = b; f(3) = c;$

$f(4) = d.$

q-open sets in  $(X, T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4)$  are  $\emptyset, \{1\}, \{1, 2\}, \{1, 3\}, \{4\}, \{1, 4\}, X.$

q-open sets in  $(Y, T_1', T_2', T_3', T_4')$  are  $\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{d\}, \{a, d\}, Y.$

Since  $f^{-1}(V)$  is q-open in  $X$  for every q-open set  $V$  in  $Y$ ,

$f$  is q-continuous.

**Definition 4.3.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two q-topological spaces. A function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be q-continuous at a point  $a \in X$  if for every q-open set  $V$  containing  $f(a)$ ,  $\exists$  a q-open set  $U$  containing  $a$ , such that  $f(U) \subset V$ .

**Theorem 4.4.**  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is q-continuous iff  $f$  is q-continuous at each point of  $X$ .

**Proof:** Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be q-continuous.

Take any  $a \in X$ . Let  $V$  be a q-open set containing  $f(a)$ .

$f: X \rightarrow Y$  is q-continuous, Since  $f^{-1}(V)$  is q-open set containing  $a$ .

Let  $U = f^{-1}(V)$ . Then  $f(U) \subset V \Rightarrow \exists$  a q-open set  $U$  containing  $a$  and  $f(U) \subset V$

Hence  $f$  is q-continuous at  $a$ .

Conversely, suppose  $f$  is q-continuous at each point of  $X$ .

Let  $V$  be a q-open set of  $Y$ . If  $f^{-1}(V) = \emptyset$  then it is q-open.

Take any  $a \in f^{-1}(V)$   $f$  is q-continuous at  $a$ .

Hence  $\exists U_a$ , q-open set containing  $a$  and  $f(U_a) \subset V$ .

Let  $U = \cup \{ U_a / a \in f^{-1}(V) \}.$

**Claim:**  $U = f^{-1}(V)$ .

$a \in f^{-1}(V) \Rightarrow U_a \subset U \Rightarrow a \in U.$

$x \in U \Rightarrow x \in U_a$  for some  $a \Rightarrow f(x) \in V \Rightarrow x \in f^{-1}(V)$ . Hence  $U = f^{-1}(V)$

Each  $U_a$  is q-open. Hence  $U$  is q-open.  $\Rightarrow f^{-1}(V)$  is q-open in  $X$ .

Hence  $f$  is q-continuous.

**Theorem 4.5.** Let  $(X, T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4)$  and  $(Y, T_1', T_2', T_3', T_4')$  be two q-topological spaces. Then  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is q-continuous function iff  $f^{-1}(V)$  is q-closed in  $X$  whenever  $V$  is q-closed in  $Y$ .

**Proof:** Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be q-continuous function.

Let  $V$  be any q-closed in  $Y$ .

$\Rightarrow V^c$  is tri  $\alpha$  open in  $Y \Rightarrow f^{-1}(V^c)$  is q-open in  $X$ .

$\Rightarrow [f^{-1}(V)]^c$  is q-open in  $X$ .

$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(V)$  is q-closed in  $X$ .

Hence  $f^{-1}(V)$  is q-closed in  $X$  whenever  $V$  is q-closed in  $Y$ .

Conversely, suppose  $f^{-1}(V)$  is q-closed in  $X$  whenever  $V$  is q-closed in  $Y$ .

$V$  is a q-open set in  $Y$ .

$\Rightarrow V^c$  is q-closed in  $Y$ .

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$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(V^c)$  is tri  $\alpha$  closed in  $X$ .

$\Rightarrow [f^{-1}(V)]^c$  is q-closed in  $X$ .

$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(V)$  is q- open in  $X$ .

Hence  $f$  is q-continuous.

**Theorem 4.6.** Let  $(X, T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4)$  and  $(Y, T_1', T_2', T_3', T_4')$  be two q-topological spaces. Then,  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is q-continuous iff  $f[q - cl A] \subset q - cl [f(A)] \quad \forall A \subset X$ .

**Proof:** Suppose  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is q-continuous. Since  $q - cl [f(A)]$  is q-closed in  $Y$ . Then by theorem (4.5)  $f^{-1}(q - cl [f(A)])$  is q-closed in  $X$ ,

$$q - cl [f^{-1}(q - cl [f(A)])] = f^{-1}(q - cl [f(A)]). \quad (1)$$

Now  $f(A) \subset q - cl [f(A)]$ ,  $A \subset f^{-1}(f(A)) \subset f^{-1}(q - cl [f(A)])$ .

Then  $q - cl(A) \subset q - cl [f^{-1}(q - cl [f(A)])] = f^{-1}(q - cl [f(A)])$  by (1)

Then  $f(q - cl(A)) \subset q - cl [f(A)]$ .

Conversely, let  $f(q - cl(A)) \subset q - cl [f(A)] \quad \forall A \subset X$ .

Let  $F$  be q-closed set in  $Y$ , so that  $q - cl(F) = F$ . Now  $f^{-1}(F) \subset X$ , by hypothesis,

$$f(q - cl(f^{-1}(F))) \subset q - cl (f(f^{-1}(F))) \subset q - cl(F) = F.$$

Therefore  $q - cl(f^{-1}(F)) \subset f^{-1}(F)$ . But  $f^{-1}(F) \subset q - cl(f^{-1}(F))$  always.

Hence  $q - cl(f^{-1}(F)) = f^{-1}(F)$  and so  $f^{-1}(F)$  is q-closed in  $X$ .

Hence by theorem (4.5)  $f$  is q-continuous.

### 5. q-Homomorphism

**Definition 5.1.** Let  $(X, T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4)$  and  $(Y, T_1', T_2', T_3', T_4')$  be two q-topological spaces. A function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is called q-open map if  $f(V)$  q-open in  $Y$  for every q-open set  $V$  in  $X$ .

**Example 5.2.** In example 4.2  $f$  is q- open map also.

**Definition 5.3.** Let  $(X, T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4)$  and  $(Y, T_1', T_2', T_3', T_4')$  be two q-topological spaces. Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping.  $f$  is called q-closed map if  $f(F)$  is q-closed in  $Y$  for every q-closed set  $F$  in  $X$ .

**Example 5.4.** The function  $f$  defined in the example 4.2 is q-closed map.

**Result 5.5.** Let  $X$  &  $Y$  be two q-topological spaces. Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping.  $f$  is q-continuous iff  $f^{-1} : Y \rightarrow X$  is q-open map.

**Definition 5.6.** Let  $(X, T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4)$  and  $(Y, T_1', T_2', T_3', T_4')$  be two q-topological spaces. Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping.  $f$  is called a q-homeomorphism.

If (i)  $f$  is a bijection.

(ii)  $f$  is q-continuous.

(iii)  $f^{-1}$  is q-continuous.

**Example 5.7.** The function  $f$  defined in the example 4.2 is

(i) a bijection. (ii)  $f$  is q-continuous. (iii)  $f^{-1}$  is q-continuous.

Therefore  $f$  is a q-homeomorphism.

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## 6. Conclusion

In this paper, the idea of  $q$ -continuous function in quad topological spaces were introduced and studied. Also properties of  $q$ -open and  $q$ -closed sets were studied.

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