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# On b-δ- Irresolute Functions

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**Abstract:** The purpose of this paper is to introduce and investigate the notions of b- $\delta$ -Irresolute functions in topological spaces. We investigate some of the fundamental properties of this class of functions.

**Keywords:** b-open set,  $\delta$ -open set, b- $\delta$ -open set and b- $\delta$ -Irresolute functions.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

The notions of  $\delta$ -open sets,  $\delta$ -closed set where introduced by Velicko [14] for the purpose of studying the important class of H-closed spaces. 1996, Andrijević [2] introduced a new class of generalized open sets called b-open sets in a topological space. This class is a subset of the class of  $\beta$ -open sets [1]. Also the class of b-open sets is a superset of the class of semi- open sets [8] and the class of preopen sets [8]. The purpose of this paper is to introduce and investigate the notions of b- $\delta$ -Irresolute functions. We investigate some of the fundamental properties of this class of functions. We recall some basic definitions and known results

### 2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, spaces  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \sigma)$  (or simply X and Y) always mean topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed unless explicitly stated. Let A be a subset of a space  $(X, \tau)$ . We denote closure and interior of A by cl (A) and int(A), respectively.

A subset A of a space X is said to be b-open [2] if  $A \subseteq cl(int (A)) \cup int (cl(A))$ . The complement of a b-open set is said to be b-closed. The intersection of all b-closed sets containing  $A \subseteq X$  is called the b-closure of A and shall be denoted by bcl (A). The union of all b-open sets of X contained in A is called the b-interior of A and is denoted by bint (A). A subset A is said to be b-regular if it is b-open and b-closed. The family of all b-open (resp. b-closed, b-regular) subsets of a space X is denoted by BO(X) (resp. BC (X), BR(X)) and the collection of all b-open subsets of X containing a fixed point x is denoted by BO(X, x). The sets BC (X, x) and BR(X, x) are defined analogously.

A point  $x \in X$  is called a  $\delta$ -cluster [14] point of A if  $int(cl(U)) \cap A \neq \phi$  for every open set U of X containing x. The set of all  $\delta$ -cluster points of A is called the  $\delta$ -closure of A and is denoted by  $\delta$ -cl (A)). A subset A is said to be  $\delta$ -closed if  $\delta$ -cl (A) = A. The complement of a  $\delta$ -closed set is said to be  $\delta$ -open. The  $\delta$ -interior of A is defined by the union of all  $\delta$ -open sets contained in A and is denoted by  $\delta$ -int (A)).

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A point  $x \in X$  is called a b- $\delta$ -cluster [10] point of A if  $int(bcl(U)) \cap A \neq \phi$  for every b-open set U of X containing x. The set of all b- $\delta$ -cluster points of A is called the b- $\delta$ -closure of A and is denoted by b- $\delta$ -cl (A)). A subset A is said to be b- $\delta$ -closed if b- $\delta$ -cl(A) = A. The complement of a b- $\delta$ -closed set is said to be b- $\delta$ -open. The b- $\delta$ -interior of A is defined by the union of all b- $\delta$ -open sets contained in A and is denoted by b- $\delta$ -int(A)). The family of all b- $\delta$ -open (resp. b- $\delta$ -closed) sets of a space X is denoted by B $\delta O(X, \tau)$  (resp. B $\delta C(X, \tau)$ ).

A function f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is said to be

- 1. b-continuous [6], if for each  $x \in X$  and each open set V of Y containing f(x), there exists  $U \in BO(X, x)$  such that  $f(U) \subseteq V$ ,
- 2.  $\delta$  -continuous function [9], if for each x  $\epsilon$ X and each open set V containing f(x), there is an open set U containing (X,  $\tau$ ) such that f(int(cl(U)))  $\subseteq$  int(cl(U)),
- 3. b- $\delta$  -continuous [3] (briefly b- $\delta$ -c), if for each x $\epsilon$ X and each open set V of (Y,  $\sigma$ ) containing f(x), there exists a b-open set U in (X,  $\tau$ ) containing x such that f( int (b-cl(U)))  $\subseteq$ cl(V).
- 4. Irresolute [7] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is semi-open in  $(X, \tau)$  for every semi-open set V contained in  $(Y, \sigma)$ , b-irresolute [12] if  $f^{-1}(V) \in BO(X)$  for every  $V \in BO(Y)$ ,
- 5. Weakly b -irresolute [13] if for each  $x \in X$  and each  $V \in BO(Y, f(x))$ , there exists a  $U \in BO(X, x)$  such that  $f(U) \subseteq b cl(V)$ ,
- 6. Strongly b -irresolute [12] if for each  $x \in X$  and each  $V \in BO(Y, f(x))$ , there exists a  $U \in BO(X, x)$  such that  $f(b cl(U) \subseteq V$ .

Lemma 2.1 [11] For a topological space the following are equivalent:

- 1. X is b-regular,
- 2. For each point  $x \in X$  and for each open set U of  $(X, \tau)$  containing x, there exists  $V \in BO(X)$  such that  $x \in V \subseteq b$ -cl  $(V) \subseteq U$ ,
- 3. For each subset A of X and each closed set F such that  $A \cap F = \phi$ , there exist disjoint U,  $V \in BO(X)$  such that  $A \cap U \notin \phi$  and  $F \subseteq V$ ,
- 4. For each closed set F of X,  $F = \bigcap b$ -cl  $(V) : F \subseteq V$  and  $V \in BO (X)$ .

**Lemma 2.2** [11] Let A and  $X_0$  be subsets of a space X such that  $A \subseteq X_0 \subseteq X$ . Let b-cl  $_{X0}(A)$  denote the b-closure of A with respect to the subspace X0.

- 1. If  $X_0$  is  $\alpha$  -open in X, then b-cl<sub>X0</sub>(A)  $\subseteq$  b-cl(A),
- 2. If  $A \in BO(X_0)$  and  $X_0 \in \alpha O(X)$ , then b-cl(A) $\subseteq$ b-cl<sub>X0</sub>(A).

**Lemma 2.3** [5] Let A and  $X_0$  be subsets of a topological space (X,  $\tau$ ).

If  $A \in BO(X)$  and  $X_0 \in \alpha O(X)$ , then  $A \cap X_0 \in BO(X_0)$ , If  $A \in BO(X_0)$  and  $X 0 \in \alpha O(X)$ , then  $A \in BO(X)$ .

# 3. b-δ- Irresolute Function

**Definition 3.1** A function f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is said to be b- $\delta$ -irresolute function if for each  $x \in X$  and each open set V of  $(Y, \sigma)$  containing f(x), there exists a b-open set U in  $(X, \tau)$  containing x such that f (int (b-cl (U)))  $\subseteq$  b-cl(V).

#### Theorem 3.2

- 1. Every b-continuous function is  $b-\delta$ -irresolute function,
- 2. Every b- $\delta$ -irresolute function is b- $\delta$ -continuous function.

Proof. Obvious.

Remark 3.3 The converse of the above theorem need not be true as shown in the following examples.

**Examples 3.4** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$ . Define a function f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  by f(a)=b, f(b)=a and f(c)=a. We have BO(X) =  $\{\phi, a, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$ . Then f is b- $\delta$  irresolute function but not b-continuous function, since for  $V = \{a\}$  and  $V = \{a, c\}$  there exists no  $U \in BO(X, x)$  for x=b and x=c such that f(U)  $\subseteq V$ 

**Examples 3.5** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  and  $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a,b\}, \{a,d\}, \{a,b,d\}, X\}$ . Define a function f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  by f (a) = b, f (b) = c, f (c) = b and f (d) = c. Then we have BO  $(X) = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, X\}$ , Then f is b- $\delta$ -continuous function but not b- $\delta$  irresolute function, since for  $V = \{b\}$  there exists no  $U \in BO(X, x)$  for x = a and x = c such that f(int(b-cl(U)))  $\subseteq$  b-cl(V).

**Remark 3.6** From the above discussions we have the following diagram. None of the implications are reversible. b-continuous function  $\rightarrow$  b- $\delta$ -irresolute function  $\rightarrow$  b- $\delta$ - continuous function.

**Theorem 3.7** For a function f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ , the following are equivalent:

- 1. F is b-δ-irresolute,
- 2. b-δ-cl(f<sup>-1</sup>(B))⊆ f<sup>-1</sup>(b-δ-cl(B)) for every subset b of (Y,  $\sigma$ ),
- 3.  $f(b-\delta-cl(A)) \subseteq b-\delta-cl(f(A))$  for every subset A of  $(X, \tau)$ .

Proof. 1.  $\rightarrow$  2. Let B be any subset of (Y,  $\sigma$ ). Suppose that  $x \notin f^{-1}$  (b- $\delta$ -cl (B)). Then  $f(x) \notin b$ - $\delta$ -cl (B) and there exists  $V \in BO(Y, f(x))$  such that int (b-cl (V))  $\cap B = \phi$ . Since f is b- $\delta$ -irresolute, there exists  $U \in BO(X, x)$  such that f (int (b-cl (U)))  $\subseteq$  b-cl (V). Therefore, we have f (int (b-cl (U)))  $\cap B = \phi$  and int (b-cl (U))  $\cap f^{-}(B) = \phi$ . This shows that  $x \notin b$ - $\delta$ -cl ( $f^{-1}(B)$ ). Hence, we obtain b- $\delta$ -cl ( $f^{-1}(B)$ )  $\subseteq f^{-1}(b-\delta$ -cl (B)).

2.  $\rightarrow$  3. Let A be any subset of (X,  $\tau$ ). Then we have  $b-\delta-cl(A) \subseteq b-\delta-cl(f^{-1}(f(A))) \subseteq f^{-1}(b-\delta-cl(f(A)))$  and hence  $f(b-\delta-cl(A)) \subseteq b-\delta-cl(f(A))$ .

3.  $\rightarrow$  2.: Let b be a subset of (Y,  $\sigma$ ). We have  $f(b-\delta-cl(f^{-1}(B))) \subseteq b-\delta-cl(f(f^{-1}(B))) \subseteq b-\delta-cl(B)$  and hence  $b-\delta-cl(f^{-1}(B))\subseteq f^{-1}(b-\delta-cl(B))$ .

2. → 1.: Let  $x \in X$  and  $V \in BO(Y, f(x))$ . Then we have int (b-cl (V)))  $\cap$  (Y - (b-cl (V))) =  $\varphi$  and f(x)  $\notin$  b- $\delta$ -cl (Y-(b-cl (V))). Hence,  $x \notin f^{-1}$  (b- $\delta$ -cl(Y-(b-cl (V)))) and  $x \notin$  (b- $\delta$ -cl (f<sup>-1</sup>(Y-(b-cl (V)))). There exists U \in BO(X, x) such that int (b-cl (U))  $\cap f^{-1}(Y-(b-cl (V))) = \varphi$  and hence f (int (b-cl (U)))  $\subseteq$  b-cl (V). This shows that f is b- $\delta$ -irresolute.

**Theorem 3.8** For a function f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ , the following are equivalent:

- 1. F is b-δ-irresolute,
- 2.  $f^{-1}(V) \subseteq b-\delta$ -int ( $f^{-1}(b-cl(V))$ ) for every V∈ BO(Y),
- 3. B- $\delta$ -cl (f<sup>-1</sup>(V))  $\subseteq$  f<sup>-1</sup>(b-cl (V)) for every V  $\in$  BO(Y).

Proof. 1.  $\rightarrow$  2. Suppose that V  $\in$  BO(Y) and x  $\in$  f<sup>-1</sup>(V). Then f(x)  $\in$  V and there exists U  $\in$  BO(X,x) such that f(int(b-cl(U)))  $\subseteq$  b-cl(V). Therefore, x  $\in$  U such that int(b-cl(U))  $\subseteq$  f<sup>-1</sup> (b-cl(V)). This shows that x  $\in$  b- $\delta$ -int(f<sup>-1</sup>(b-cl(V))). This shows that f<sup>-1</sup>(V)  $\subseteq$  b- $\delta$ -int(f<sup>-1</sup>(b-cl(V))).

2.  $\rightarrow$  3. Suppose that  $V \in BO(Y)$  and  $x \notin f^{-1}(b - cl(V))$ . Then  $f(x) \notin b - cl(V)$  and there exists  $U \in BO(Y, f(x))$  such that  $U \} \cap V = \varphi$  and hence int $(b - cl(U)) \cap V = \varphi$  Therefore, we have  $f^{-1}(int(b - cl(U))) \cap f^{-1}(V) = \varphi$  Since  $x \in f^{-1}(U)$ , by(2),  $x \in b - \delta - int(f^{-1}(b - cl(U)))$ . There exists  $W \in BO(X, x)$  such that int $(b - cl(W)) \subseteq f^{-1}(b - cl(U))$ . Thus, we have  $int(b - cl(W)) \cap f^{-1}(V) = \varphi$  and hence  $x \notin b - \delta - cl(f^{-1}(V))$ . This shows that  $b - \delta - cl(f^{-1}(V)) \subseteq f^{-1}(b - cl(V))$ .

3.  $\rightarrow$  1.: Suppose that  $x \in X$  and  $V \in BO(Y, f(x))$ . Then,  $V \cap (Y-b-cl(V)) = \varphi$  and  $f(x) \notin int(b-cl(Y-b-cl(V)))$ . Therefore,  $x \notin (int(b-cl(Y-b-cl(V))))$  and by(3),  $x \notin b-\delta-cl(f^{-1}(Y-b-cl(V)))$ . There exists  $U \in BO(X,x)$  such that  $int(b-cl(U)) \cap f^{-1}(Y-b-cl(V)) = \varphi$ . Therefore, we obtain  $f(int(b-cl(U))) \subseteq b-cl(V)$ . This shows that f is  $b-\delta$ - irresolute.

**Theorem 3.9** Let  $(Y, \sigma)$  be a b- regular space. Then for a function f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ , the following are equivalent:

- 1. f is strongly b-irresolute,
- 2. f is b-irresolute,
- 3. f is b- $\delta$  irresolute.

Proof. 1.  $\rightarrow$  2. obvious.

2.  $\rightarrow$  3. Suppose that  $x \in X$  and  $V \in BO(Y, f(x))$ . Since f is b-irresolute,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is b-open and  $f^{-1}(bcl(V))$  is b-closed in X. Now, put  $U = f^{-1}(V)$ . Then we have  $U \in BO(X, x)$  and  $int(bcl(U)) \subseteq f^{-1}(bcl(V))$ . Therefore, we obtain  $f(int(bcl(U))) \subseteq bcl(V)$ . This shows that f is b- $\delta$ - irresolute.

3.  $\rightarrow$  1. Suppose that  $x \in X$  and  $V \in BO(Y, f(x))$ . Since Y is b- regular, there exists  $W \in BO(Y)$  such that  $f(x) \in W \subseteq bcl(W) \subseteq V$ , by Lemma 2.1. Since f is b- $\delta$ - irresolute, there exists  $U \in BO(X, x)$  such that  $f(int(bcl(U))) \subseteq f(bcl(U)) \subseteq bcl(W) \subseteq V$ . This shows that f is strongly b-irresolute.

**Theorem 3.10** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a b- regular space. Then f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is b- $\delta$ - irresolute if and only if it is weakly b-irresolute.

Proof. Suppose that f is weakly b-irresolute. Let  $x \in X$  and  $V \in BO(Y, f(x))$ . Then, there exists  $U \in BO(X, x)$  such that  $f(U) \subseteq b-cl(V)$ . Since X is b- regular, there exists  $U_0 \in BO(X, x)$  such that  $x \in U_0 \subseteq (b-cl(U_0)) \subseteq U$ , by Lemma 2.1. Therefore, we obtain  $f(b-cl(U_0)) \subseteq b-cl(V)$ . b-cl(V). Hence  $f(int(b-cl(U_0)) \subseteq b-cl(V)$ . This shows that f is b- $\delta$ - irresolute.

**Theorem 3.11** If f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is b- $\delta$ - irresolute and  $X_0$  is an  $\alpha$ -open subset of X, then the restriction f |  $_{X0}$ :  $X_0 \rightarrow Y$  is b- $\delta$ -irresolute.

Proof. For any  $x \in X_0$  and any  $V \in BO(Y, f(x))$ , there exists  $U \in BO(X, x)$  such that  $f(int(b-cl(U))) \subseteq b-cl(V)$  since f is  $b \cdot \delta$ - irresolute. Let  $U_0 = U \cap X_0$ , then by Lemma 2.2 and Lemma 2.3.  $U_0 \in BO(X_0, x)$  and  $b \cdot cl_{x_0}(U_0) \subseteq b \cdot cl(U_0)$ . Hence  $int(b \cdot cl_{x_0}(U_0)) \subseteq b \cdot cl(U_0)$ . Therefore, we obtain  $(f|_{x_0}) (int(b \cdot cl_{x_0}(U_0))) = f(int(b \cdot cl_{x_0}(U_0))) \subseteq f(b \cdot cl(U_0)) \subseteq f(b \cdot cl(U)) \subseteq b \cdot cl(V)$ . This shows that  $f|_{x_0}$  is  $b \cdot \delta$ - irresolute.

**Theorem 3.12** f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is b- $\delta$ - irresolute if for each  $x \in X$  there exists  $X_0 \in \alpha O(X, x)$  such that the restriction  $f|_{X_0}$ :  $X_0 \rightarrow Y$  is b- $\delta$ - irresolute.

Proof. Let  $x \in X$  and  $V \in BO(Y, f(x))$ . There exists  $X_0 \in \alpha O(X, x)$  such that  $f|_{X_0}: X_0 \rightarrow Y$  is  $b \cdot \delta$ - irresolute. Thus, there exists  $U \in BO(X_0, x)$  such that  $(f|_{X_0} (int(b \cdot cl_{X_0}U))) \subseteq b \cdot cl(V)$ . By Lemma 2.2 and Lemma 2.3.  $U \in BO(X, x)$  and  $b \cdot cl(U) \subseteq b \cdot cl_{X_0}(U)$ . Hence,  $int(b \cdot cl(U)) \subseteq b \cdot cl_{X_0}(U)$ . Thus we have  $f(int(b \cdot cl(U))) = (f|_{X_0} (int(b \cdot cl(U))) \subseteq (f|_{X_0}) (int(b \cdot cl_{X_0}(U))) \subseteq b \cdot cl(V)$ . This shows that f is b- $\delta$ - irresolute.

**Corollary 3.13** Let  $\{U_{\alpha}: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  be an  $\alpha$ -open cover of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ . A function  $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$  is b- $\delta$ - irresolute if and only if the restriction  $f|_{u\alpha}: U_{\alpha} \to Y$  is b- $\delta$ - irresolute for each  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ .

Proof. Follows from Theorems 3.11 and Theorems 3.12

**Theorem 3.14** Let f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ , g:  $(Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (z, \eta)$  be functions and go f :  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (z, \eta)$  be the composition. Then the following hold:

- 1. If f and g are b- $\delta$  irresolute, then go f is b- $\delta$ -irresoloute,
- 2. If f is strongly b-irresolute and g is weakly b-irresolute, then go f is  $b-\delta$ -irresolute,
- 3. If f is weakly b-irresolute and g is b- $\delta$ -irresolute, then go f is weakly b-irresolute,
- 4. If f is b- $\delta$ -irresolute and g is strongly b-irresolute, then go f is strongly b-irresolute.

Proof. Obvious.

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