

New Class Of Contra-Continuous Functions in Soft Topology

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Abstract:The aim of this paper is to introduce the concepts of soft contra g -continuity and soft almost contra g -continuity. Also a new class of set namely soft glc set is introduced along with its continuity and irresoluteness. Some of their characterizations are also studied.

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1 INTRODUCTION

Soft set theory was initiated by Molodtsov[11] as a new method for vagueness. Muhammad Shabir and Munazza naz [13] introduced soft topological spaces and studied some concepts of soft set such as soft interior, soft closure and soft separation axioms. In 1996, Dontchev[5] introduced the notion of contra continuity. In 1968, M.K.Singal et al[15] introduced the concept of almost continuous mappings. The first step of locally closedness was done by Bourbaki[4]. He defined a set A to be locally closed if it is the intersection of

an open set and closed set. Recently soft locally closed sets in soft topological spaces was introduced by Ali Haydar Kocaman[1]. In this paper, the notion of soft g -closed sets in soft topological space is applied to present and study a new class of functions called soft contra g -continuous and soft almost contra g -continuous functions. Also new class of soft locally closed set namely soft g - lc^{**} -set is introduced and their properties, characterizations are obtained.

2 PRELIMINARIES

Throughout the study $(X, \tau, E), (Y, \sigma, E)$ and (Z, τ, E) (or simply X, Y and Z) represent soft topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed unless otherwise mentioned. For a subset (A, E) of X , $\tilde{sc}l(A, E)$, $\tilde{s}int(A, E)$ and $(A, E)^c$ denote the soft closure of (A, E) , the soft interior of (A, E) and the soft complement of (A, E) respectively. Let us recall the following definitions, which are useful in the sequel

Definition 2.1. [11] Let X be an initial universe set and E be the set of parameters. Let $P(X)$ denotes the power set of X . For $A \subseteq E$, the pair (F, A) is called a soft set over X where F is a mapping given by $F: A \rightarrow P(X)$.

Definition 2.2. [11] The Union of two soft sets (F, A) and (G, B) over X is the soft set (H, C) , where $C = A \cup B$, and for all $e \in C$, $H(e) = F(e)$, if $e \in A - B$, $H(e) = G(e)$ if $e \in B - A$ and $H(e) = F(e) \cup G(e)$ if $e \in A \cap B$ and is denoted as $(F, A) \cup (G, B) = (H, C)$.

Definition 2.3. [11] The intersection of two soft sets (F, A) and (G, B) over X is the soft set (H, C) , where $C = A \cap B$, and $H(e) = F(e) \cap G(e)$ for all $e \in C$ and is denoted as $(F, A) \cap (G, B) = (H, C)$.

Definition 2.4. [11] Let τ be the collection of soft sets over X then τ is said to be a soft topology on X if

1. \emptyset and $X \in \tau$
2. The union of any number of soft sets in $\tau \in \tau$.
3. The intersection of any two soft sets in $\tau \in \tau$.

The triplet (X, τ, E) is called a soft topological space over X . Then the members of τ are called soft open sets in X and complements of them are called soft closed sets in X .

Definition 2.5. [11] Let (X, τ, E) be a soft topological space over X . The soft Interior of (F, E) denoted by $\tilde{Sint}(F, E)$, is the largest soft open set over X which contained in (F, E) .

Definition 2.6. [11] The soft closure of the soft set (F, E) is denoted by $\tilde{Scl}(F, E)$, is the smallest soft closed set containing (F, E) .

Definition 2.7. A soft topological space (X, τ, E) is called soft

- (i) regular-open[2] if $(A, E) = \tilde{Sint}(\tilde{Scl}(A, E))$ and its complement is soft regular closed.
- (ii) g -closed[9] if $\tilde{Scl}(A, E) \tilde{\subseteq} (U, E)$ whenever $(A, E) \tilde{\subseteq} (U, E)$ and (U, E) is soft open in X .
- (iii) gs -closed [10] if $\tilde{Sscl}(A, E) \tilde{\subseteq} (U, E)$ whenever $(A, E) \tilde{\subseteq} (U, E)$ and (U, E) is soft open in X .
- (iv) rg -closed[2] if $\tilde{Scl}(A, E) \tilde{\subseteq} (U, E)$ whenever $(A, E) \tilde{\subseteq} (U, E)$ and (U, E) is soft regular open in X .
- (v) $g\beta$ -closed [2] if $\tilde{S}\beta cl(A, E) \tilde{\subseteq} (U, E)$ whenever $(A, E) \tilde{\subseteq} (U, E)$ and (U, E) is soft open in X .
- (vi) $g^\# \alpha$ -closed [10] if $\tilde{S}\alpha cl(A, E) \tilde{\subseteq} (U, E)$ whenever $(A, E) \tilde{\subseteq} (U, E)$ and (U, E) is soft g -open in X .
- (vii) $\#g\alpha$ -closed[10] if $\tilde{S}\alpha cl(A, E) \tilde{\subseteq} (U, E)$ whenever $(A, E) \tilde{\subseteq} (U, E)$ and (U, E) is soft $g^\# \alpha$ open in X .
- (viii) $\#\#g$ -closed[14] if $\tilde{Scl}(A, E) \tilde{\subseteq} (U, E)$ whenever $(A, E) \tilde{\subseteq} (U, E)$ and (U, E) is soft $\#g\alpha$ -open in X .

The complement of soft g -closed(rep.soft gs -closed,soft rg -closed,soft $g\beta$ -closed,soft $g^\# \alpha$ -closed,soft $\#g\alpha$ -closed,soft $\#\#g$ -closed) is called soft g -open(rep.soft gs -open,soft rg -open,soft $g\beta$ -open,soft $g^\# \alpha$ -open,soft $\#g\alpha$ -open,soft $\#\#g$ -open). Also soft $\#\#g$ -open is denoted as $\#\#gO$.

Definition 2.8. A soft mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be

- (i) soft $\#\#g$ -continuous[14] if the inverse image of each soft closed set in Y is soft $\#\#g$ -closed in X .
- (ii) soft $\#\#g$ -irresolute [14] if the inverse image of each soft $\#\#g$ -closed set in Y is soft $\#\#g$ -closed in X .

Definition 2.9. A soft mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be

- (i) soft contra continuous [7] if the inverse image of each soft closed(open) set in Y is soft open(closed) in X .
- (ii) soft almost continuous [7] if the inverse image of each soft regular closed(open) set in Y is soft closed(open) in X .
- (iii) soft almost contra continuous [7] if the inverse image of each soft regular closed(open) set in Y is soft open(closed) in X .

Definition 2.10. A soft mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called

- (i) soft contra g -continuous [3] if $f^{-1}(A, E)$ is soft g -closed in X for every soft open set (A, E) in Y .
- (ii) soft contra gs -continuous [8] if $f^{-1}(A, E)$ is soft gs -closed in X for every soft open set (A, E) in Y .
- (iii) soft contra rg -continuous [7] if $f^{-1}(A, E)$ is soft rg -closed in X for every soft open set (A, E) in Y .
- (iv) soft contra $g\beta$ -continuous [8] if $f^{-1}(A, E)$ is soft $g\beta$ -closed in X for every soft open set (A, E) in Y .

Definition 2.11. [14] A soft topological space (X, τ, E) is called a soft $T^{\#\#g}$ -space if for every soft $\#\#g$ -closed set is soft closed in X .

Definition 2.12. [14] A soft subset (A, E) of a space (X, τ, E) is called a soft $\#\#glc^*$ -set if $(A, E) = (F, E) \cap (G, E)$ where (F, E) is soft $\#g\alpha$ -open and (G, E) is soft closed in X .

Definition 2.13. [14] A soft function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be a soft $\#\#glc^*$ -continuous if the inverse image of every soft closed set in Y is a soft $\#\#glc^*$ -set in X .

3 SOFT CONTRA $\#\#g$ -CONTINUOUS FUNCTION

In this section , soft contra $\#\#g$ -continuous function is introduced and some of its basic properties are derived.

Definition 3.1. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called soft contra $\#\#g$ -continuous if $f^{-1}(A, E)$ is soft $\#\#g$ -closed(open) in X for every soft open (closed) set (A, E) in X .

Example 3.2. Let $X=Y=\{a,b\}$ $E=\{e_1, e_2\}$. Then the soft subsets over X are defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} (F, E)_1 &= \{(e_1, \emptyset), (e_2, \emptyset)\} \\ (F, E)_2 &= \{(e_1, \emptyset), (e_2, \{a\})\} \\ (F, E)_3 &= \{(e_1, \emptyset), (e_2, \{b\})\} \\ (F, E)_4 &= \{(e_1, \emptyset), (e_2, \{a, b\})\} \\ (F, E)_5 &= \{(e_1, \{a\}), (e_2, \emptyset)\} \\ (F, E)_6 &= \{(e_1, \{a\}), (e_2, \{a\})\} \\ (F, E)_7 &= \{(e_1, \{a\}), (e_2, \{b\})\} \\ (F, E)_8 &= \{(e_1, \{a\}), (e_2, \{a, b\})\} \\ (F, E)_9 &= \{(e_1, \{b\}), (e_2, \emptyset)\} \\ (F, E)_{10} &= \{(e_1, \{b\}), (e_2, \{a\})\} \\ (F, E)_{11} &= \{(e_1, \{b\}), (e_2, \{b\})\} \\ (F, E)_{12} &= \{(e_1, \{b\}), (e_2, \{a, b\})\} \\ (F, E)_{13} &= \{(e_1, \{a, b\}), (e_2, \emptyset)\} \\ (F, E)_{14} &= \{(e_1, \{a, b\}), (e_2, \{a\})\} \\ (F, E)_{15} &= \{(e_1, \{a, b\}), (e_2, \{b\})\} \\ (F, E)_{16} &= \{(e_1, \{a, b\}), (e_2, \{a, b\})\} \end{aligned}$$

Let $\tau = \{\tilde{\emptyset}, \tilde{X}, (F, E)_5, (F, E)_7, (F, E)_8, \}$; $\sigma = \{\tilde{\emptyset}, \tilde{X}, (F, E)_6\}$. Then the function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is defined by $f(a)=b, f(b)=a$ is soft contra $\#\#$ - g -continuous.

Theorem 3.3. Every soft contra continuous function is soft contra $\#\#$ - g -continuous.

Proof. Let (A, E) be a soft open set in Y . By hypothesis, $f^{-1}(A, E)$ is soft closed set in X . By theorem 3.2 [14], $f^{-1}(A, E)$ is soft $\#\#$ - g -closed set in X . Hence the result. \square

Remark 3.4. The converse of the above theorem is not true as shown in the following example.

Example 3.5. Let $X=Y=\{a,b\}$; $E=\{e_1, e_2\}$. Then the soft sets over X are defined as in example 3.2, $\tau = \{\tilde{\emptyset}, \tilde{X}, (F, E)_5, (F, E)_7, (F, E)_8, \}$; $\sigma = \{\tilde{\emptyset}, \tilde{X}, (F, E)_6\}$. Then the function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is defined by $f(a)=b, f(b)=a$ is soft contra $\#\#$ - g -continuous function. but not soft contra continuous.

Theorem 3.6.

- (i) Every soft contra $\#\#$ - g -continuous is soft contra g -continuous.
- (ii) Every soft contra $\#\#$ - g -continuous is soft contra gs -continuous.
- (iii) Every soft contra $\#\#$ - g -continuous is soft contra rg -continuous.

(iv) Every soft contra $##g$ -continuous is soft contra $g\beta$ -continuous.

Proof. (i) Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a soft contra $##g$ -continuous function and (U, E) be a soft open set in Y . Then $f^{-1}(U, E)$ is soft $##g$ -closed in X . By theorem 3.5(i) [14], $f^{-1}(U, E)$ is soft g -closed. Consequently f is contra g -continuous.

(ii) Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a soft contra $##g$ -continuous function and (U, E) be a soft open set in Y . Then $f^{-1}(U, E)$ is soft $##g$ -closed in X . By theorem 3.5(ii) [14], $f^{-1}(U, E)$ is soft gs -closed and so f is contra gs -continuous.

(iii) Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a soft contra $##g$ -continuous function and (U, E) be a soft open set in Y . Then $f^{-1}(U, E)$ is soft $##g$ -closed in X . By theorem 3.5(iv) [14], $f^{-1}(U, E)$ is soft rg -closed. Hence the result.

(iv) Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a soft contra $##g$ -continuous function and (U, E) be a soft open set in Y . Then $f^{-1}(U, E)$ is soft $##g$ -closed in X . By theorem 3.5(v) [14], $f^{-1}(U, E)$ is soft $g\beta$ -closed. Hence the result. \square

However none of these implications are reversible as shown in the following examples.

Example 3.7. Let $X=Y=\{a, b\}$; $E=\{e_1, e_2\}$. Then the soft sets over X are defined as in example 3.2, $\tau=\{\tilde{\emptyset}, \tilde{X}, (F, E)_6\}$ and $\sigma=\{\tilde{\emptyset}, \tilde{X}, (F, E)_7, (F, E)_{10}\}$. Then the function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ defined by $f(a)=b, f(b)=a$ is both soft contra g -continuous and soft contra gs -continuous but not soft $##g$ -continuous.

Example 3.8. Let $X=Y=\{a, b\}$; $E=\{e_1, e_2\}$. Then the soft sets over X are defined as in example 3.2, $\tau=\{\tilde{\emptyset}, \tilde{X}, (F, E)_{11}\}$ and $\sigma=\{\tilde{\emptyset}, \tilde{X}, (F, E)_6\}$. Then the function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ defined by $f(a)=b, f(b)=a$ is soft contra rg -continuous but not soft contra $##g$ -continuous.

Example 3.9. Let $X=Y=\{a, b\}$; $E=\{e_1, e_2\}$ as soft sets defined in example 3.2, $\tau=\{\tilde{\emptyset}, \tilde{X}, (F, E)_6\}$ and $\sigma=\{\tilde{\emptyset}, \tilde{X}, (F, E)_{11}\}$. Then the function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ defined by $f(a)=b, f(b)=a$ is soft contra $g\beta$ -continuous but not soft contra $##g$ -continuous.

Remark 3.10. The following table shows the relationships between soft contra $##g$ -closed continuous function and other known existing contra-continuous functions. The symbol "1" in a cell means that a map on the corresponding row implies a map on the corresponding column and the symbol "0" means that a map on the corresponding row does not imply a map on the corresponding column.

soft contra mappings	A	B	C	D	E	F
A	1	1	1	1	1	1
B	0	1	1	1	1	1
C	0	0	1	0	0	0
D	0	1	1	1	1	1
E	0	0	1	0	1	1
F	0	0	1	0	0	1

Table-1

Here, A-soft contra continuous. B-soft contra g -continuous. C-soft contra rg -continuous. D-soft contra $##g$ -continuous. E-soft contra $g\beta$ -continuous. F-soft contra gs -continuous.

Theorem 3.11. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a mapping where (X, τ, E) and (Y, σ, E) are soft topological spaces and soft $##g$ - $O(X, \tau, E)$ is closed under arbitrary union. Then the following conditions are equivalent.

- (i) $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is soft contra $##g$ continuous.
- (ii) The inverse image of each soft closed set in Y is soft $##g$ -open in X .
- (iii) For each $x \in X$ and for each soft closed set (F, E) containing $f(x)$, there exist a soft $##g$ -open set (G, E) in X such that $f((G, E)) \tilde{\subseteq} (F, E)$

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii) Let (F, E) is soft closed in Y . Then $Y \setminus (F, E)$ is soft open in Y . By assumption, $f^{-1}(Y \setminus (F, E)) = X \setminus f^{-1}((F, E))$ is soft $##g$ -closed in X which implies $f^{-1}(F, E)$ is soft $##g$ -open set in X .

(ii) \Rightarrow (i) Let (G, E) be a soft open set in Y . Then $Y \setminus (G, E)$ is soft closed in X . By (ii), $f^{-1}(Y \setminus (G, E)) = X \setminus f^{-1}((G, E))$ is soft $##g$ -open in X which implies $f^{-1}(G, E)$ is soft $##g$ -closed in X and so f is soft contra $##g$ -continuous.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii) Let (F, E) be a soft closed set in Y containing $f(x)$ and hence $x \in f^{-1}(F, E)$. By (ii), $f^{-1}(F, E)$ is soft $##g$ -open in X . Take $(G, E) = f^{-1}(F, E)$. Then $f((G, E)) \tilde{\subseteq} (F, E)$.

(iii) \Rightarrow (ii) Let (F, E) be any soft closed set in Y containing $f(x)$ and $x \in f^{-1}(F, E)$. By (iii), there exists a soft $##g$ -open set (G_x, E) containing x such that $f((G_x, E)) \tilde{\subseteq} (F, E)$. Therefore $f^{-1}(F, E) = \tilde{\cup} \{(G_x, E), x \in f^{-1}(F, E)\}$ and $f^{-1}(F, E)$ is soft $##g$ -open in X . \square

Theorem 3.12. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function where X is a soft $T^{##g}$ -space. Then the following are equivalent:

(i) f is soft contra $\#\#g$ - continuous.

(ii) f is soft contra-continuous.

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii) Let (U,E) be a soft open set in Y . By hypothesis , $f^{-1}(U, E)$ is soft $\#\#g$ -closed in X . Since X is a soft $T^{\#\#g}$ -space , $f^{-1}(U, E)$ is soft closed in X and thus f is soft contra continuous.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i) By theorem 3.3, proof follows. \square

Definition 3.13. A space (X, τ, E) is called soft $\#\#g$ -locally indiscrete if every soft $\#\#g$ -open (closed) set of (X, τ, E) is soft closed (open) in X .

Theorem 3.14. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a soft mapping then

(i) if f is soft $\#\#g$ -continuous and X is soft $\#\#g$ -locally indiscrete then f is soft contra-continuous.

(ii) if f is soft $\#\#g$ -irresolute and X is soft $\#\#g$ -locally indiscrete , then f is a soft contra-continuous function.

Proof. (i) Let (V,E) be a soft closed set in X .By theorem 3.3[14], (V,E) is soft $\#\#g$ -closed in X . Since f is soft $\#\#g$ -irresolute, $f^{-1}(V, E)$ is soft $\#\#g$ -closed in X . As X is soft $\#\#g$ -locally indiscrete, $f^{-1}(V, E)$ is soft open in X . Thus the proof follows.

(ii) By theorem 6.6 [14] and and by (i) the result follows. \square

Remark 3.15. Composition of two soft contra $\#\#g$ -continuous functions is not a soft contra $\#\#g$ -continuous function.

Example 3.16. Consider $X = \{a, b\}, E = \{e_1, e_2\}$. Then the soft sets are defined over X, Y, Z is as in example 3.2 , $\tau = \{\tilde{X}, \tilde{\emptyset}, (F, E)_5, (F, E)_7, (F, E)_8\}$ $\sigma = \{\tilde{X}, \tilde{\emptyset}, (F, E)_6\}$ $\gamma = \{\tilde{X}, \tilde{\emptyset}, (F, E)_{11}\}$. Then $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is defined by $f(a)=b, f(b)=a$ and $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ is defined by $g(a)=a, g(b)=b$ are soft contra $\#\#g$ -continuous functions. Observe that $(g \circ f)^{-1}((F, E)_{11}) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(F, E)_{11}) = f^{-1}((F, E)_{11}) = (F, E)_6$ which is not soft $\#\#g$ -closed set in X where $(F, E)_{11}$ is soft open in Z .

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Theorem 3.17. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a soft $\#\#g$ -irresolute function and $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ be a soft contra $\#\#g$ -continuous function. Then $g \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$ is a soft contra $\#\#g$ -continuous function.

Proof. Let (G, E) be a soft open set in Z . Since f is soft contra $\#\#g$ -continuous, $g^{-1}(G, E)$ is soft $\#\#g$ -closed in Y . Now f is soft $\#\#g$ -irresolute which implies $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(G, E)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(G, E)$ is soft $\#\#g$ -closed in X . Hence the result. \square

Theorem 3.18. *Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a soft $\#\#g$ -continuous function and $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ be a soft contra continuous function. Then $g \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$ is a soft contra $\#\#g$ -continuous function.*

Proof. By theorem 6.6[14] and 3.3 the result follows.

Corollary 3.19. *Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a soft $\#\#g$ -irresolute function and $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ be a soft contra-continuous functions . Then $g \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$ is a soft contra $\#\#g$ -continuous function.*

Proof. The proof follows from the theorem 6.6[14] and 3.18 \square

Theorem 3.20. *Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ and $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ be two soft functions and Y is a soft $T^{\#\#g}$ -space then the following conditions holds:*

- (i) *If f is soft contra continuous and g is soft contra $\#\#g$ -continuous then $g \circ f$ is soft continuous.*
- (ii) *If f is soft contra continuous and g is soft $\#\#g$ -irresolute, then $g \circ f$ is soft contra-continuous.*

Proof. (i) Let (B, E) be soft open in Z . Since g is soft contra $\#\#g$ -continuous, then $g^{-1}(B, E)$ is soft $\#\#g$ -closed in Y . But Y is a soft $T^{\#\#g}$ -space, $g^{-1}(B, E)$ is soft closed in Y . Now f is soft contra continuous implies $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(B, E)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(B, E)$ is soft open in X . Consequently $g \circ f$ is soft continuous.

(ii) Let (B, E) be soft closed in Z . By theorem 3.2[14], (B, E) is soft $\#\#g$ -closed in Z . Since g is soft $\#\#g$ -irresolute, then $g^{-1}(B, E)$ is soft $\#\#g$ -closed in Y . But Y is a soft $T^{\#\#g}$ -space $g^{-1}(B, E)$ is soft closed in Y . Now f is soft contra continuous, then $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(B, E)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(B, E)$ is soft open in X and thus $g \circ f$ is soft contra continuous.

4 SOFT ALMOST CONTRA $\#\#g$ -CONTINUOUS

Definition 4.1. *A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be soft almost contra continuous function if $f^{-1}(V, E)$ is soft $\#\#g$ -closed (open) in X for every soft regular open (closed) (V, E) in Y .*

Example 4.2. Let $X=\{a,b,c\},E=\{e\}$, then the soft subsets over X is defined as follows

$$(G,E)_1 = \{(e, \emptyset)\}$$

$$(G,E)_2 = \{(e, \{a\})\}$$

$$(G,E)_3 = \{(e, \{b\})\}$$

$$(G,E)_4 = \{(e, \{c\})\}$$

$$(G,E)_5 = \{(e, \{a, b\})\}$$

$$(G,E)_6 = \{(e, \{b, c\})\}$$

$$(G,E)_7 = \{(e, \{a, c\})\}$$

$$(G,E)_8 = \{(e, \{a, b, c\})\}$$

$$\tau = \{\tilde{\emptyset}, \tilde{X}, (F,E)_3, (F,E)_4, (F,E)_5, (F,E)_6\}; \sigma = \{\tilde{\emptyset}, \tilde{X}, (F,E)_2, (F,E)_3, (F,E)_5\}$$

Then the function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ defined by $f(a)=a$, $f(b)=c$, $f(c)=b$ is soft almost contra $\#\#g$ -continuous.

Theorem 4.3. Every contra $\#\#g$ -continuous is soft almost contra $\#\#g$ -continuous.

Proof. Let (U,E) be a soft regular open in Y . By remark 3.2[12], (U,E) is soft open in Y . By hypothesis, $f^{-1}(U,E)$ is soft $\#\#g$ -closed in X which implies f is soft almost contra $\#\#g$ -continuous. \square

Theorem 4.4. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. Then the following are equivalent:

- (i) f is soft almost contra $\#\#g$ -continuous.
- (ii) The inverse image of each soft closed set in Y is soft $\#\#g$ -open in X .

Proof. follows from the theorem 3.4[6].

Theorem 4.5. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a soft function. Then the following are equivalent :

- (i) f is soft almost contra $\#\#g$ -continuous.
- (ii) $f^{-1}(\tilde{s}int(\tilde{s}cl(A,E)))$ is a soft $\#\#g$ -closed set in X for every soft open set (A,E) of Y .
- (iii) $f^{-1}(\tilde{s}cl(\tilde{s}int(A,E)))$ is a soft $\#\#g$ -open set in X for every soft closed subset (B,E) of Y .

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii) Let (A,E) be a soft open set in X . By the definition of soft regular open set, $(A,E) = (\tilde{s}int(\tilde{s}cl(A,E)))$ is regular open in Y . Since f is soft almost contra $\#\#g$ -continuous which implies $f^{-1}(\tilde{s}int(\tilde{s}cl(A,E)))$ is soft $\#\#g$ -closed in X .

(ii) \Rightarrow (i) Let (A,E) be regular open in Y . By remark 3.2[12], (A,E) is soft open

in Y . By (ii) $f^{-1}((\tilde{s} \text{ int}(\tilde{s} \text{ cl}(A,E)))$ is soft $\#\#g$ -closed in X . And so $f^{-1}(A, E)$ is soft $\#\#g$ -closed in X . Hence f is soft almost contra $\#\#g$ -continuous.

(i) \Rightarrow (iii) Proof is similar to (i) \Rightarrow (ii)

(iii) \Rightarrow (i) Proof is similar to (ii) \Rightarrow (i) □

Theorem 4.6. *If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is soft almost contra $\#\#g$ -continuous and X is a soft $\#\#g$ locally-indiscrete space. Then f is soft almost continuous.*

Proof. Let (U,E) be soft regular open set in Y . Since f is soft almost contra $\#\#g$ -continuous, $f^{-1}(U, E)$ is soft $\#\#g$ -closed set in X . As X is a soft $\#\#g$ -locally indiscrete space, $f^{-1}(U, E)$ is soft open in X . Hence f is soft almost continuous. □

5 SOFT $\#\#gcl^{**}$ -SET

In this section, we introduce a new soft locally closed set namely $\#\#gcl^{**}$ -set and its properties are studied.

Definition 5.1. *A soft subset (A,E) of a soft topological space $(X, \tau E)$ is said to be a soft $\#\#gcl^{**}$ -set if $(A, E) = (F, E) \tilde{\cap} (H, E)$ where (F, E) is soft $\#\#g$ -closed and (H, E) is soft $\#\#g$ -open.*

Example 5.2. *Let $X = \{a, b\}$; $E = \{e_1, e_2\}$; as soft sets defined in example 3.1, $\tau = \{\tilde{X}, \tilde{\emptyset}, (F, E)_7, (F, E)_{10}\}$. Here $(F, E)_7 = \{(e_1, \{a\}), (e_2, \{b\})\}$ and $(F, E)_{10} = \{(e_1, \{b\}), (e_2, \{a\})\}$ are soft $\#\#gcl^{**}$ -sets in X .*

Theorem 5.3. *For a soft subset (A,E) of a space (X, τ, E) , the following statements are equivalent:*

- (i) $(A, E) \in \#\#gcl^{**}(X, \tau, E)$
- (ii) $(A, E) = (U, E) \cap \#\#gcl(A, E)$ for some $\#\#g$ -open set (U, E) in (X, τ, E)

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii) Let $(A, E) \in \#\#gcl^{**}(X, \tau, E)$. Then by definition 5.1, $(A, E) = (F, E) \tilde{\cap} (G, E)$ where (F, E) is soft $\#\#g$ -open set and (G, E) is soft $\#\#g$ -closed set which implies $(A, E) \tilde{\subseteq} (U, E)$. Since $(A, E) \tilde{\subseteq} \#\#gcl(A, E)$ then $(A, E) \tilde{\subseteq} (U, E) \tilde{\cap} \#\#gcl(A, E)$. Since (G, E) is soft $\#\#g$ -closed set which implies $\#\#gcl(A, E) \tilde{\subseteq} \#\#gcl(G, E) = (G, E)$. Then $(U, E) \tilde{\cap} \#\#gcl(A, E) \tilde{\subseteq} (U, E) \tilde{\cap} (G, E) = (A, E)$. Hence the result.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i) Since $\#\#gcl(A, E)$ is soft $\#\#g$ -closed set By hypothesis, $(A, E) = (U, E) \tilde{\cap} \#\#gcl(A, E)$. Hence (A, E) is $\#\#gcl^{**}$ -set. □

Theorem 5.4. *Let (X, τ, E) be a $T^{\#\#g}$ -space. For a soft subset (A, E) of the space (X, τ, E) the following are equivalent:*

- (i) $\#\#gcl(A,E)\setminus(A,E)$ is soft $\#\#g$ -closed
- (ii) $(A,E)\tilde{\cap}(\#\#gcl(A,E))^c$

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii) Let $(A,E)\tilde{\cup}(\#\#gcl(A,E))^c$ which implies $(\#\#gcl(A,E)\setminus(A,E))^c$. By assumption $(\#\#gcl(A,E)\setminus(A,E))$ is soft $\#\#g$ -closed. $(\#\#gcl(A,E)\setminus(A,E))^c$ is soft $\#\#g$ -open implies $(A,E)\tilde{\cup}(\#\#gcl(A,E))^c$ is soft $\#\#g$ -open.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i) Let $(U,E) = (A,E)\tilde{\cup}(\#\#gcl(A,E))^c$. By (i) (U,E) is soft $\#\#g$ -closed. Then $(U,E)^c$ is soft $\#\#g$ -closed which implies $((A,E)\tilde{\cup}(\#\#gcl(A,E))^c)^c$ is soft $\#\#g$ -closed set. Then $((\#\#gcl(A,E))^c\tilde{\cap}(A,E))^c = \#\#gcl(A,E)\tilde{\cap}(A,E)$ is soft $\#\#g$ -closed set. Hence $\#\#gcl(A,E)\setminus(A,E)$ is soft $\#\#g$ -closed. \square

Definition 5.5. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a soft map then f is called a soft $\#\#glc^{**}$ -continuous function if for every soft closed (V,E) in Y , $f^{-1}(V,E)$ is soft $\#\#glc^{**}$ -set in X

Example 5.6. Let $X=\{a,b\}$ $E=\{e_1,e_2\}$ as soft sets defined in example 3.2 $\tau = \{\tilde{X},\tilde{\emptyset},(F,E)_6,(F,E)_{11}\}$. $\sigma = \{\tilde{X},\tilde{\emptyset},(F,E)_6\}$. $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a identity function then f is a soft $\#\#glc^{**}$ -continuous function.

Definition 5.7. A soft function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called a soft $\#\#glc^{**}$ -irresolute function if for every soft $\#\#glc^{**}$ -set (V,E) in Y , $f^{-1}(V,E)$ is a soft $\#\#glc^{**}$ -set in X .

Example 5.8. Let $X=\{a,b\}$ $E=\{e\}$ as soft sets defined in example 4.2, $\tau = \{\tilde{X},\tilde{\emptyset},(F,E)_6\}$. $\sigma = \{\tilde{X},\tilde{\emptyset},(F,E)_7\}$. $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a function defined by $f(a)=b, f(b)=a, f(c)=c$. Then f is a soft $\#\#glc^{**}$ -irresolute function.

Theorem 5.9. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a soft $\#\#glc^{**}$ -continuous and X is a soft $T\#\#g$ -space then f is soft $\#\#glc^*$ -continuous.

Proof. Let (V,E) be soft closed in Y . By hypothesis, $f^{-1}(V,E)$ is soft $\#\#glc^{**}$ -set in X . By definition 5.1, $f^{-1}(V,E) = f^{-1}(U,E) \tilde{\cap} f^{-1}(H,E)$ where $f^{-1}(U,E)$ is soft $\#\#g$ -closed and $f^{-1}(H,E)$ is soft $\#\#g$ -open. Since X is soft $T\#\#g$ -space which implies $f^{-1}(U,E)$ is soft open and $f^{-1}(H,E)$ is soft closed. By theorem 7[10], $f^{-1}(U,E)$ is soft $\#\#g\alpha$ -open. And so $f^{-1}(V,E)$ is a soft $\#\#glc^*$ -set. Then f is soft $\#\#glc^*$ -continuous. \square

6 APPLICATION

Theorem 6.1. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a soft mapping. If f is soft $\#\#glc^{**}$ -continuous and soft contra $\#\#g$ -continuous and Y is a soft $T\#\#g$ -space, then f is a soft $\#\#glc^{**}$ -irresolute function.

Proof. Let (U, E) be a soft $\#\#glc^{**}$ -set in Y which implies $(U, E) = (F, E) \tilde{\cap} (G, E)$ where (G, E) is soft $\#\#g$ -open and (F, E) soft $\#\#g$ -closed. Since Y is soft \mathbb{T} $\#\#g$ -space, (G, E) is soft closed and (F, E) is soft open. As f is soft contra $\#\#g$ -continuous, then $f^{-1}(G, E)$ is soft $\#\#g$ -open and $f^{-1}(F, E)$ is soft $\#\#g$ -closed and hence $f^{-1}(U, E) = f^{-1}(G, E) \tilde{\cap} f^{-1}(F, E)$ and so $f^{-1}(U, E)$ is soft $\#\#glc^{**}$ -set in X . Hence f is soft $\#\#glc^{**}$ -continuous. \square

Corollary 6.2. *Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a soft mapping. If f is soft $\#\#glc^{**}$ -continuous and soft almost contra continuous and Y is soft $\#\#g$ -locally indiscrete. Then f is soft $\#\#glc^{**}$ -irresolute.*

Proof. By theorem 4.3 and 6.4 the result follows. \square

7 CONCLUSION

We have introduced soft contra $\#\#g$ -continuous function and soft contra $\#\#g$ -irresolute function. Also we have introduced soft almost contra $\#\#g$ -continuous function and soft almost contra $\#\#g$ -irresolute function in soft topological spaces and investigated their properties. Finally a new soft locally closed set namely soft $\#\#glc^{**}$ -set is also introduced and some of the basic characterizations of soft $\#\#glc^{**}$ -set is also examined.

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