

**SOMEWHAT e - \mathcal{I} -CONTINUOUS
AND SOMEWHAT e - \mathcal{I} -OPEN
FUNCTIONS VIA IDEALS**

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Abstract: In this paper, new classes of functions are introduced and studied by making use of e - \mathcal{I} -open sets and e - \mathcal{I} -closed sets. Relationship between the new classes and other classes of functions are established besides giving examples, counterexamples, properties and characterizations.

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1. Introduction and Preliminaries

The subject of ideals in topological spaces has been studied by Kuratowski [13] and Vaidyanathaswamy [19]. Jankovic and Hamlett [12] investigated further

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properties of ideal topological spaces. In 1992, Jankovic and Hamlett [11] introduced the notion of I -open sets in ideal topological spaces. Abd El-Monsef et al. [1] investigated I -open sets and I -continuous functions. In this paper, using the notion of $e\mathcal{I}$ -open sets defined in [2] see also [3], [4], the concepts of somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous functions and somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -open functions are introduced and studied. Some characterizations and properties for somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuity and somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -openness are obtained besides giving examples and counterexamples.

An ideal \mathcal{I} on a topological space (X, τ) is a nonempty collection of subsets of X which satisfies the following conditions: $A \in \mathcal{I}$ and $B \subset A$ implies $B \in \mathcal{I}$; $A \in \mathcal{I}$ and $B \in \mathcal{I}$ implies $A \cup B \in \mathcal{I}$. A topological space (X, τ) with an ideal \mathcal{I} is called an ideal topological space and is denoted by (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) . Given an ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) on X and if $\wp(X)$ is the set of all subsets of X , a set operator $(\cdot) : \wp(X) \rightarrow \wp(X)$, called the local function [18, 12] of A with respect to τ and \mathcal{I} , is defined as follows: for $A \subseteq X$,

$$A (\mathcal{I}, \tau) = \{x \in X \mid U \cap A \notin \mathcal{I} \text{ for every } U \in \tau(x)\}$$

where $\tau(x) = \{U \in \tau \mid x \in U\}$. It is known in [12] that $Cl(A) = A \cup A (\mathcal{I}, \tau)$ is a Kuratowski closure operator. When there is no chance for confusion, we will simply write A for $A (\mathcal{I}, \tau)$. X is often a proper subset of X . A subset A of an ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is said to be R - I -open (resp. R - I -closed) [20] if $A = Int(Cl(A))$ (resp. $A = Cl(Int(A))$). A point $x \in X$ is called a δ - \mathcal{I} -cluster point of A if $Int(Cl(U)) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ for each open set U containing x . The family of all δ - \mathcal{I} -cluster points of A is called the δ - \mathcal{I} -closure of A and is denoted by $\delta Cl_I(A)$. The δ - \mathcal{I} -interior of A is the union of all R - I -open sets of X contained in A and is denoted by $\delta Int_I(A)$. A is said to be δ - \mathcal{I} -closed if $\delta Cl_I(A) = A$ [20].

Definition 1. A subset A of an ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is said to be:

1. I -open [1] if $A \subset Int(A)$.
2. *semi* - \mathcal{I} -open [10] if $A \subset Cl(\delta Int_I(A))$.
3. $e\mathcal{I}$ -open if [2] $A \subset Cl(\delta Int_I(A)) \cup Int(\delta Cl_I(A))$.

Remark 2. In the following diagram we denote by arrows the implications between the open sets and the above three relations. It is known that (1) \mathcal{I} -openness and openness are independent [1, 6], (2) every \mathcal{I} -open set is *semi* - \mathcal{I} -

open [9], and (3) every open set is $e\mathcal{I}$ -open[2].

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 R\mathcal{I}\text{-open} & \longrightarrow & \text{semi}^*\text{-}\mathcal{I}\text{-open} \\
 & & \downarrow \\
 \text{open} & \longrightarrow & e\mathcal{I}\text{-open}
 \end{array}$$

Definition 3. [8] A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be somewhat-continuous provided that if for $U \in \sigma$ and $f^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ there exists an open set V in τ such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset f^{-1}(U)$.

Definition 4. A function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be somewhat- \mathcal{I} -continuous (resp. somewhat *semi* - \mathcal{I} -continuous) if for any $U \in \sigma$ such that $f^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ there exists an \mathcal{I} -open (resp. *semi* - \mathcal{I} -open) set V in X such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset f^{-1}(U)$.

Definition 5. [8] A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be somewhat-open provided that if $U \in \tau$ and $U \neq \emptyset$, then there exists an open set V in σ such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset f(U)$.

Definition 6. A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$ is said to be somewhat- \mathcal{I} -open (resp. somewhat *semi* - \mathcal{I} -open) provided that if $U \in \tau$ and $U \neq \emptyset$, then there exists an \mathcal{I} -open (resp. *semi* - \mathcal{I} -open) set V in Y such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset f(U)$.

2. Somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -Continuous Functions

Definition 7. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space and (Y, σ) be any topological space. A function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous provided that if $U \in \sigma$ and $f^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$, then there exists an $e\mathcal{I}$ -open set V in X such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset f^{-1}(U)$.

Theorem 8. *If $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is somewhat continuous, then it is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous.*

Proof. Trivial □

Theorem 9. *Every somewhat *semi* - \mathcal{I} -continuous function is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous.*

Proof. Let $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a somewhat *semi* - \mathcal{I} -continuous function. Let U be any open set in Y such that $f^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$. Since f is somewhat

semi \mathcal{I} -continuous, there exists a *semi* \mathcal{I} -open set V in X such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset f^{-1}(U)$. Since every *semi* \mathcal{I} -open set is $e\mathcal{I}$ -open, there exists an $e\mathcal{I}$ -open set V such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset f^{-1}(U)$, which implies that f is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous. \square

Remark 10. The converses of the above theorem, need not be true in general as shown by the following example.

Example 11. Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$, $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$, $\sigma = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be an identity function. Then f is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous but it is neither somewhat continuous nor somewhat *semi* \mathcal{I} -continuous. Since the inverse image of $\{c\}$ in (Y, σ) is an $e\mathcal{I}$ -open but it is neither open nor *semi* \mathcal{I} -open.

Theorem 12. If $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is a somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous surjection and $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \zeta)$ is somewhat continuous, then $g \circ f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Z, \zeta)$ $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous.

Proof. Let W be any open set of (Z, ζ) and $(g \circ f)^{-1}(W) \neq \emptyset$. Then $g^{-1}(W) \neq \emptyset$. Since g is somewhat continuous, there exists $V \in \sigma$ such that $\emptyset \neq V \subset g^{-1}(W)$. Since f is surjective, $\emptyset \neq f^{-1}(V) \subset f^{-1}(g^{-1}(W))$. Since f is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous, There exists an $e\mathcal{I}$ -open set U in (X, τ) such that $\emptyset \neq U \subset f^{-1}(V)$. Therefore, we have $\emptyset \neq U \subset (g \circ f)^{-1}(W)$. This show that $g \circ f$ is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous. \square

Theorem 13. Let $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ and $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \zeta)$ be any two functions. If f is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous and g is continuous, then $g \circ f$ is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous.

Proof. Let $U \in \zeta$ and $(g \circ f)^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$. Then $g^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$. Since $U \in \zeta$ and g is continuous $g^{-1}(U) \in \sigma$. Since $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U)) \neq \emptyset$ and f is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous, there exists an $e\mathcal{I}$ -open set V in X such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(U)$. Then $g \circ f$ is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous. \square

Remark 14. In Theorem 13, if f is a continuous function and g is a somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous function, then it is not necessarily true that $g \circ f$ is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous. Since every continuous function is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous, the composition of somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous functions need not be somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous. The following example serves this purpose.

Example 15. Let $X = Y = Z = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}\}$, $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\}$, $\sigma = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$, $\zeta = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$ and $\mathcal{J} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$. Let $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$ and $g : (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Z, \zeta)$ be

the identity functions. Then clearly f is continuous and g is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous but $g \circ f$ is not somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous. Since $\{c\} \in \zeta$ and $(g \circ f)^{-1}(U) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(\{c\}) = \{c\}$ not somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -open, $g \circ f$ is not somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous.

Definition 16. A subset S of an ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is said to be $e\mathcal{I}$ -dense if $Cl_e(S) = X$. In other words if there is no proper $e\mathcal{I}$ -closed set M in X such that $S \subset M \subset X$.

Theorem 17. Let $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a surjective function. Then the following are equivalent:

1. f is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous;
2. If M is a closed subset of Y such that $f^{-1}(M) \neq X$, then there is a proper $e\mathcal{I}$ -closed subset D of X such that $D \supset f^{-1}(M)$;
3. If S is an $e\mathcal{I}$ -dense subset of X , then $f(S)$ is a dense subset of Y .

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2): Let M be a closed subset of Y such that $f^{-1}(M) \neq X$. Then $Y - M$ is an open set in Y such that $f^{-1}(Y - M) = X - f^{-1}(M) \neq \emptyset$. By hypothesis (1) there exists an $e\mathcal{I}$ -open set V in X such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset f^{-1}(Y - M) = X - f^{-1}(M)$. This means that $X - V \supset f^{-1}(M)$ and $X - V = D$ is a proper $e\mathcal{I}$ -closed set in X . This proves (2).

(2) \Rightarrow (3): Let S be an $e\mathcal{I}$ -dense set in X . Suppose that $f(S)$ is not dense in Y . Then there exists a proper closed set M in Y such that $f(S) \subset M \subset Y$. Clearly $f^{-1}(M) \neq X$. Hence by (2) there exists a proper $e\mathcal{I}$ -closed set D such that $S \subset f^{-1}(M) \subset D \subset X$. This contradicts fact that S is $e\mathcal{I}$ -dense in X .

(3) \Rightarrow (2): Suppose that (2) is not true. This means there exists a closed set M in Y such that $f^{-1}(M) \neq X$. But there is no proper $e\mathcal{I}$ -closed set D in X such that $f^{-1}(M) \subset D$. This means that $f^{-1}(M)$ is $e\mathcal{I}$ -dense in X . But by (3) $f(f^{-1}(M)) = M$ must be dense in Y , which is contradiction to the choice of M .

(2) \Rightarrow (1): Let $U \in \sigma$ and $f^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$. Then $Y - U$ is closed and $f^{-1}(Y - U) = X - f^{-1}(U) \neq X$. By hypothesis of (2) there exists a proper $e\mathcal{I}$ -closed set D of X such that $D \supset f^{-1}(Y - U)$. This implies that $X - D \subset f^{-1}(U)$ and $X - D$ is $e\mathcal{I}$ -open and $X - D \neq \emptyset$. \square

Theorem 18. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be any ideal topological space and (Y, σ) any topological space. If A is an open set in X and $f : (A, \tau/A, \mathcal{I}/A) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is a somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous function such that $f(A)$ is dense in Y , then any extension $F : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ of f is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous.

Proof. Let U be any open set in (Y, σ) such that $F^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$. Since $f(A) \subset Y$ is dense in Y and $U \cap f(A) \neq \emptyset$, it follows that $F^{-1}(U) \cap A \neq \emptyset$. That is $f^{-1}(U) \cap A \neq \emptyset$. Hence by hypothesis on f , there exists an $e\mathcal{I}$ -open set V in A such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset f^{-1}(U) \subset F^{-1}(U)$ which implies F is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous. \square

Theorem 19. *Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) and (Y, σ, \mathcal{J}) be any two ideal topological spaces, $X = A \cup B$ where A and B are open subsets of X and $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$ be a function such that f/A and f/B are somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous. Then f is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous.*

Proof. Let U be any open set in (Y, σ, \mathcal{J}) such that $f^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$. Then $(f/A)^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ or $(f/B)^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ or both $(f/A)^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ and $(f/B)^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$.

Case (1) Suppose $(f/A)^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$.

Since f/A is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous, there exists an $e\mathcal{I}$ -open set V in A such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset (f/A)^{-1}(U) \subset f^{-1}(U)$. Since V is $e\mathcal{I}$ -open in A and A is open in X , V is $e\mathcal{I}$ -open in X . Thus f is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous.

Case (2) the proof is similar with Case (1).

Case (3) Suppose $(f/A)^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ and $(f/B)^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$.

This follows from both the Cases (1) and (2). Thus f is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous. \square

Definition 20. An ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is said to be $e\mathcal{I}$ -separable if there exists a countable subset B of X which is $e\mathcal{I}$ -dense in X .

Theorem 21. *If $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is a somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous surjective function and X is $e\mathcal{I}$ -separable, then Y is separable.*

Proof. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous surjection such that X is $e\mathcal{I}$ -separable. Then by definition there exists a countable subset B of X which is $e\mathcal{I}$ -dense in X . Then by Theorem 17, $f(B)$ is dense in Y . Since B is countable, $f(B)$ is also a countable set which is dense in Y , which indicates that Y is separable. \square

3. $e\mathcal{I}$ -Weakly Equivalent Topologies

Definition 22. Let X be a set and τ and σ be topologies for X . Then τ is said to be weakly equivalent to σ [8] provided that if $U \in \tau$ and $U \neq \emptyset$, then there is an open set V in (X, σ) such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset U$ and if $U \in \sigma$ and $U \neq \emptyset$, then there is an open set V in (X, τ) such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset U$.

Definition 23. Let (X, τ) and (X, σ) be topological spaces with same ideal \mathcal{I} . Then τ is said to be $e\mathcal{I}$ -weakly equivalent to σ provided that if $U \in \tau$ and $U \neq \emptyset$, then there is an $e\mathcal{I}$ -open set V in (X, σ, \mathcal{I}) such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset U$ and if $U \in \sigma$ and $U \neq \emptyset$, then there is an $e\mathcal{I}$ -open set V in (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset U$.

Theorem 24. Let $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1)$ be a somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous surjective function and let σ_2 be a topology for Y . If σ_2 is weakly equivalent to σ_1 , then the function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_2)$ is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous.

Proof. Since σ_2 is weakly equivalent to σ_1 , the identity function $i : (Y, \sigma_1) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_2)$ is somewhat-continuous. Therefore, by Theorem 12,

$$f = f \circ i : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_2)$$

is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous. □

Theorem 25. Let $f : (X, \tau_1, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a somewhat-continuous function and let τ_2 be a topology for X . If τ_2 is $e\mathcal{I}$ -weakly equivalent to τ_1 , then the function $f : (X, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous.

Proof. Since τ_2 is $e\mathcal{I}$ -weakly equivalent to τ_1 , the identity function $i : (X, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (X, \tau_1, \mathcal{I})$ is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous. Therefore, by Theorem 12, $f = f \circ i : (X, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -continuous. □

4. Somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -Open Functions

Definition 26. A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$ is said to be somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -open provided that for $U \in \tau$ and $U \neq \emptyset$ there exists an $e\mathcal{I}$ -open set V in Y such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset f(U)$.

Theorem 27. If a function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$ is somewhat open, then it is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -open.

Theorem 28. *Every somewhat semi \mathcal{I} -open function is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -open.*

Proof. Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$ be a somewhat semi \mathcal{I} -open function. Let $U \in \tau$ and $U \neq \emptyset$. Since f is somewhat semi \mathcal{I} -open, there exists a semi \mathcal{I} -open set V in X such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset f(U)$. Since every semi \mathcal{I} -open set is $e\mathcal{I}$ -open, there exist an $e\mathcal{I}$ -open set V such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset f(U)$, which implies that f is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -open. \square

Remark 29. The converses of the above theorems, need not be true in general as shown by the following example.

Example 30. Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$, $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$, and $\sigma = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$. then the identity function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$ is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -open but it is neither somewhat semi \mathcal{I} -open nor somewhat open. The image of $\{c\} \in \tau$ is $e\mathcal{I}$ -open but it is neither semi \mathcal{I} -open nor somewhat open.

Theorem 31. *If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is an somewhat-open function and $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \zeta, \mathcal{I})$ is a somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -open function, then $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \zeta, \mathcal{I})$ is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -open.*

Proof. Suppose that $U \in \tau$ and $U \neq \emptyset$. Since f is somewhat-open, there exists an open set G of (Y, σ) such that $\emptyset \neq G$ and $G \subset f(U)$. Since g is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -open, there exists an $e\mathcal{I}$ -open set $V \in \zeta$ such that $\emptyset \neq V \subset g(G) \subset (g \circ f)(U)$. This implies that $g \circ f$ is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -open. \square

Theorem 32. *Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$ be a bijective function. Then the following are equivalent:*

1. f is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -open;
2. If M is a closed set of X such that $f(M) \neq Y$, then there is an $e\mathcal{I}$ -closed set D of Y such that $D \neq Y$ and $D \supset f(M)$.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2): Let M be a closed set of X such that $f(M) \neq Y$. Then $X - M$ is an open set in X and $X - M \neq \emptyset$. Since f is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -open, there exists an $e\mathcal{I}$ -open set V in Y such that $V \neq \emptyset$ and $V \subset f(X - M)$. Put $D = Y - V$. Clearly D is $e\mathcal{I}$ -closed in Y and we claim that $D \neq Y$. For if $D = Y$, then $V = \emptyset$ which is a contradiction. Since $V \subset f(X - M)$ and f is bijective, $D = Y - V \supset Y - [f(X - M)] = f(M)$.

(2) \Rightarrow (1): Let U be any nonempty open set in X . Put $M = X - U$. Then M is a proper closed set of X and $f(M) \neq Y$. Therefore, by (2) there is an

$e\mathcal{I}$ -closed subset D of Y such that $D \neq Y$ and $f(M) \subset D$. Put $V = Y - D$. Clearly V is an $e\mathcal{I}$ -open set and $V \neq \emptyset$. Further, $V = Y - D \subset Y - f(M) = Y - [Y - f(U)] = f(U)$. \square

Theorem 33. *If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$ is a somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -open function and A is an open set of X , then $f/A : (A, \tau/A) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$ is also somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -open.*

Proof. Let $U \in \tau/A$ such that $U \neq \emptyset$. Since U is open in A and A is open in (X, τ) , U is open in (X, τ) . By hypothesis, $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$ is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -open and there exists an $e\mathcal{I}$ -open set V in Y such that $\emptyset \neq V \subset f(U)$. Thus for any open set U in $(A, \tau/A)$ with $U \neq \emptyset$, there exists an $e\mathcal{I}$ -open set V in Y such that $\emptyset \neq V \subset f(U)$ which implies that f/A is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -open. \square

Theorem 34. *Let (X, τ) be a topological space, (Y, σ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space and $X = A \cup B$, where A and B are open sets of X . If $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$ is a function such that f/A and f/B are somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -open, then f is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -open.*

Proof. Let U be any open set of (X, τ) such that $U \neq \emptyset$. Since $X = A \cup B$, there are three Cases (1) $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$, (2) $B \cap U \neq \emptyset$ or (3) both $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$ and $B \cap U \neq \emptyset$.

Case (1). Since $A \cap U \in \tau/A$ and f/A is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -open, there exists an $e\mathcal{I}$ -open set V in Y such that $\emptyset \neq V \subset f(U)$. This shows that f is somewhat $e\mathcal{I}$ -open. The other cases are similarly proved. \square

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