# **Characterizations of Continuity and Compactness with Respect to Weak Forms of** *w***-Open Sets**

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#### Abstract

In this paper we use the weak  $\omega$  - open sets defined by T. Noiri, A. Al-Omari, M. S. M. Noorani in [5], to define new weak types of continuity and compactness and prove some theorems about them.

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# **1. Introduction and Preliminaries**

Through out this paper, (X,T) stands for topological space. Let (X,T) be a topological space and A a subset of X. A point x in X is called **condensation point** of A if for each U in T with x in U, the set  $U \cap A$  is uncountable [3]. In 1982 the  $\omega$ -closed set was first introduced by H. Z. Hdeib in [3], and he defined it as: A is  $\omega$ -closed if it contains all its condensation points and the  $\omega$ -open set is the complement of the  $\omega$ -closed set. Equivalently. A subset W of a space (X,T), is  $\omega$ -open if and only if for each  $x \in W$ , there exists  $U \in T$  such that  $x \in U$  and  $U \setminus W$  is countable. The collection of all  $\omega$ open sets of (X,T) denoted  $T_{\omega}$  form topology on X and it is finer than T. Several characterizations of  $\omega$ -closed sets were provided in [1, 3, 4, 6]. For a subset A of X, the closure of A and the  $\omega$ -interior of A will be denoted by cl(A) and  $int_{\omega}(A)$  respectively. The  $\omega$ - interior of the set A defined as the union of all  $\omega$ - open sets contained in A.

In 2009 in [5] T. Noiri, A. Al-Omari, M. S. M. Noorani introduced and investigated new notions called  $\alpha - \omega$  - open,  $pre - \omega$  - open,  $b - \omega$  - open and  $\beta - \omega$  - open sets which are weaker than  $\omega$ -open set. Let us introduce these notions in the following definition:

**Definition 1.1.** [5] A subset *A* of a space *X* is called:

- 1.  $\alpha \omega open$  if  $A \subseteq int_{\omega}(cl(int_{\omega}(A)))$ , the complement is called  $\alpha \omega closed$  set.
- 2.  $pre \omega open$  if  $A \subseteq int_{\omega}(cl(A))$ , the complement is called  $pre \omega closed$  set.
- 3.  $b \omega open$  if  $A \subseteq int_{\omega}(cl(A)) \bigcup cl(int_{\omega}(A))$ , the complement is called  $b \omega closed$  set.
- 4.  $\beta \omega open$  if  $A \subseteq cl(int_{\omega}(cl(A)))$ , the complement is called  $\beta \omega closed$  set.

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In [5] T. Noiri, A. Al-Omari, M. S. M. Noorani introduced relationships among the weak open sets above by the lemma below:

Lemma 1.2. [5] In any topological space:

- **1.** Any open set is  $\omega$ -open.
- 2. Any  $\omega$ -open set is  $\alpha \omega$ -open.
- 3. Any  $\alpha \omega$  open set is  $pre \omega$  open.
- 4. Any  $pre \omega$  open set is  $b \omega$  open.
- 5. Any  $b \omega$  open set is  $\beta \omega$  open.

The converse is not true [5].

**Remark 1.3.** [5] The intersection of two  $pre - \omega$ -open, (resp.  $b - \omega$ -open and  $\beta - \omega$ -open) sets need not be  $pre - \omega$ -open, (resp.  $b - \omega$ - open and  $\beta - \omega$ -open) sets.

**Lemma 1.4.** [5] The intersection of an  $\alpha - \omega$ -open (resp.  $pre - \omega$ -open,  $b - \omega$ -open and  $\beta - \omega$ -open) subset of any topological space and an open subset is  $\alpha - \omega$ -open (resp.  $pre - \omega$ -open,  $b - \omega$ -open and  $\beta - \omega$ -open) set.

**Remark 1.5.** The union of an  $\alpha - \omega$ -closed (resp.  $pre - \omega$ -closed,  $b - \omega$ - closed and  $\beta - \omega$ -closed) subset of any topological space and a closed subset is  $\alpha - \omega$ -closed (resp.  $pre - \omega$ - closed,  $b - \omega$ - closed and  $\beta - \omega$ - closed) set.

**Theorem 1.6.** [5] If  $\{A_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  is a collection of  $\alpha - \omega$ -open (resp.  $pre - \omega$ -open,  $b - \omega$ -open and  $\beta - \omega$ -open ) subsets of the topological space (X,T) then  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_{\alpha}$  is  $\alpha - \omega$ -open (resp.  $pre - \omega$ -open,  $b - \omega$ -open and  $\beta - \omega$ -open) set.

**Corollary 1.7.** If  $\{A_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \nabla\}$  is a collection of  $\alpha - \omega$ -closed (resp.  $pre - \omega$ -closed,  $b - \omega$ -closed and  $\beta - \omega$ -closed) subsets of the topological space (X,T), then  $\bigcap_{\alpha \in \nabla} A_{\alpha}$  is  $\alpha - \omega$ -closed (resp.  $pre - \omega$ -closed,  $b - \omega$ -closed and  $\beta - \omega$ -closed) set.

**Definition 1.8.** [5] A space (X,T) is called a *door space* if every subset of X is either open or closed.

**Example 1.9.** The space (X,T) for  $X = \{a,b\}$ , and  $T = \{X, \phi, \{a\}\}$ , is a door space.

**Lemma 1.10.** [5] If (X,T) is a door space, then every  $pre - \omega$  - open set is  $\omega$ -open.

**Theorem 1.11.** Let A be a  $\beta - \omega$ -open set in the topological space (X,T), then A is  $b - \omega$ -open, whenever X is door space.

#### **Proof:**

Let A be a  $\beta - \omega$  - open subset of X. If A is open then by Lemma 1.4 it is  $b - \omega$  - open. Then if A is closed we get  $A \subseteq cl(\operatorname{int}_{\omega}(A) \subseteq (\operatorname{int}_{\omega}(cl(A)) \bigcup cl(\operatorname{int}_{\omega}(A)))$ . Thus A is  $b - \omega$  - open set in X X

**Definition 1.12.** [5] A subset *A* of a space *X* is called:

1. An  $\omega - t$  -set, if  $int(A) = int_{\omega}(cl(A))$ .

2. An 
$$\omega - B - set$$
, if  $A = U \cap V$ , where U is an open set and V is an  $\omega - t - set$ .

3. An  $\omega - t_{\alpha}$  -set, if  $int(A) = int_{\omega}(cl(int_{\omega}(A)))$ .

- 4. An  $\omega B_{\alpha}$  -set if  $A = U \bigcap V$ , where U is an open set and V is an  $\omega t_{\alpha}$  -set.
- 5. An  $\omega$ -set if  $A = U \cap V$ , where U is an open set and  $int(V) = int_{\omega}(V)$ .

**Definition 1.13.** Let (X,T) be topological space. It said to be satisfy

- 1. The  $\omega$ -condition if every  $\omega$ -open set is  $\omega$ -set.
- 2. The  $\omega B_{\alpha}$  condition if every  $\alpha \omega$  open set is  $\omega B_{\alpha}$  set.
- The ω-B-condition if every pre-ω-open is ω-B-set. Now let us introduce the following lemma from [5].
  Lemma 1.14. [5] For any subset A of a space X, We have
- 1. A is open if and only if A is  $\omega$  open and  $\omega$ -set.
- 2. A is open If and only if A is  $\alpha \omega$  open and  $\omega B_{\alpha}$ -set.
- 3. A is open if and only if A is  $pre \omega$  open and  $\omega B$  set.

## 2. Decomposition of Continuity

Let us now use the weak  $\omega$ -open sets to define a decomposition of continuity. Also we introduce some theorems about this notion.

**Definition 2.1.** A function  $f:(X,\sigma) \to (Y,\tau)$  is called  $\omega$ -continuous (resp.  $\alpha - \omega$ -continuous,  $pre - \omega$ -continuous,  $b - \omega$ -continuous and  $\beta - \omega$ -continuous), if for each  $x \in X$ , and each  $\omega$ -open (resp.  $\alpha - \omega$ -open,  $pre - \omega$ -open,  $b - \omega$ -open and  $\beta - \omega$ -open ) set V containing f(x), there exists an  $\omega$ -open (resp.  $\alpha - \omega$ -open,  $pre - \omega$ -open,  $b - \omega$ -open,  $b - \omega$ -open,  $\beta - \omega$ -open, set U containing x, such that  $f(U) \subset V$ .

**Proposition 2.2.** A function  $f:(X,\sigma) \to (Y,\tau)$  is  $\omega$ -continuous (resp.  $\alpha - \omega$ -continuous,  $pre - \omega$ -continuous,  $b - \omega$ -continuous and  $\beta - \omega$ -continuous) if and only if for each  $\omega$ -open (resp.  $\alpha - \omega$ -open,  $pre - \omega$ -open,  $b - \omega$ -open and  $\beta - \omega$ -open) set V in Y,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\omega$ open (resp.  $\alpha - \omega$ -open,  $pre - \omega$ -open,  $b - \omega$ -open and  $\beta - \omega$ -open) set in X.

## **Proof:**

Let f be an  $\omega$ -continuous map from X to Y, and let  $x \in X$ , and V be an  $\omega$ -open subset of Y containing f(x). We must show that  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\omega$ -open subset of X containing x, let  $x \in f^{-1}(V)$ , then by the  $\omega$ -continuity of f we can find an  $\omega$ -open set U in X and containing x, such that  $f(U) \subset V$ , then  $U \subset f^{-1}(V)$ , which is true for any  $x \in f^{-1}(V)$ . This implies  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\omega$ - open subset of X. For the opposite side, let us assume that the inverse image of any  $\omega$ -open set is also an  $\omega$ -open to prove f is  $\omega$ -continuous map. Let  $x \in X$  and let V be an  $\omega$ -open subset of Y containing f(x), by the hypothesis  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\omega$ -open subset of X, so for any  $x \in f^{-1}(V)$ ,  $f(f^{-1}(V)) \subset V$ , and f is  $\omega$ -continuous. By the same way we can prove the other cases X

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $(X, \sigma)$  and  $(Y, \tau)$  be two topological spaces such that X satisfies the  $\omega - B_{\alpha}$ -condition, and  $f:(X, \sigma) \to (Y, \tau)$  be a map. If f is  $\alpha - \omega$ -continuous then it is  $\omega$ -continuous.

## **Proof:**

Let  $f:(X,\sigma) \to (Y,\tau)$  be an  $\alpha - \omega$ -continuous, to prove it is  $\omega$ -continuous, let  $x \in X$  and V be an  $\omega$ -open (so it is  $\alpha - \omega$ -open) set containing f(x). Since f is  $\alpha - \omega$ -continuous there exists an  $\alpha - \omega$ -open subset U of X containing x such that  $f(U) \subset V$ . Then since X satisfies the  $\omega - B_{\alpha}$ -condition we have U is an  $\omega$ -open of X containing x such that  $f(U) \subset V$ . This implies f is  $\omega$ -continuous X

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $(X, \sigma)$  and  $(Y, \tau)$  be two topological spaces such that X is door space, and  $f: (X, \sigma) \to (Y, \tau)$  be a map.

1. If f is  $pre - \omega$  - continuous then it is  $\omega$ -continuous.

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2. If f is  $\beta - \omega$  - continuous then it is  $b - \omega$  - continuous.

# Proof:

By the same way as the proof of Theorem 2.3, using Lemma 1.2, Lemma 1.10 and Theorem 1.11, we can prove this theorem X

**Theorem 2.5.** Let  $(X, \sigma)$  and  $(Y, \tau)$  be two topological spaces that satisfy the  $\omega$ -condition then the map  $f: (X, \sigma) \to (Y, \tau)$  is continuous if and only if it is  $\omega$ -continuous.

# **Proof:**

Let be  $f:(X,\sigma) \to (Y,\tau)$  a continuous map,  $x \in X$  and V be an  $\omega$ - open set in Y and containing f(x). Since X satisfy  $\omega$ -condition, so V is also open in Y. And by the continuity of f there is an open set U (also it is  $\omega$ - open) with  $f(U) \subset V$ . For the converse let f be an  $\omega$ -continuous map and V be an open set in Y and containing f(x), so it is also  $\omega$ -open and by the  $\omega$ - continuity of f, there is an  $\omega$ -open set U in X containing x with  $f(U) \subset V$ , and since X satisfies the  $\omega$ -condition U is an open set therefore f is continuous X

**Remark 2.6.** Theorem 2.5. is not true in general. It mean if  $f:(X,\sigma) \to (Y,\tau)$  is  $\omega$ -continuous, then it is not necessarily continuous. As we see in the following example.

**Example 2.7.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\sigma = \{\phi, X, \{c\}\}$ ,  $Y = \{d, e, f\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\phi, Y, \{d\}\}$ , and let  $f: (X, \sigma) \to (Y, \tau)$  be a map defined by f(a) = f(b) = d, f(c) = e.f is  $\omega$ -continuous but not continuous.

Note that since X and Y are countable, so any subset of them is  $\omega$ -open. If x = a, we have f(x) = d.  $V_1 = \{d\}, V_2 = \{d, e\}, V_3 = \{d, f\}$ , and  $V_4 = Y$  are  $\omega$ -open sets in Y containing f(x), so there exist  $U_1 = \{a, b\}, U_2 = \{a, c\}, U_3 = \{a\}$  and  $U_4 = X$  such that  $f(U_1) = V_1$ ,  $f(U_2) = V_2$ ,  $f(U_3) = V_3$  and  $f(U_4) = V_4$ . Similarly for x = b, and x = c, Therefore f is  $\omega$ -continuous map.

Next f is not continuous. Let x = b, f(x) = d if  $V = \{d\}$ , then when U=X, we have  $f(U) = \{d, e\} \not\subset \{d\} = V$ . Hence f is not continuous map.

**Theorem 2.8.** Let  $(X,\sigma)$  and  $(Y,\tau)$  be two topological spaces that satisfy the  $\omega - B_{\alpha}$  condition then the map  $f:(X,\sigma) \to (Y,\tau)$  is continuous if and only if it is  $\alpha - \omega$ -continuous.

**Theorem 2.9.** Let  $(X, \sigma)$  and  $(Y, \tau)$  be two topological spaces that satisfy the  $\omega$ -B-condition then the map  $f: (X, \sigma) \to (Y, \tau)$  is continuous if and only if it is  $pre - \omega$ -continuous.

**Theorem 2.10.** Let  $(X, \sigma)$  and  $(Y, \tau)$  be two door topological spaces and  $f: (X, \sigma) \to (Y, \tau)$  be a map. Then

- 1. *f* is pre - $\omega$  continuous if and only if it is  $\omega$  continuous.
- 2. *f* is  $\beta \omega$  continuous if and only if it is b- $\omega$  continuous.

## **Proof of (1):**

Let f be a pre- $\omega$ -continuous, and let V be an  $\omega$ -open set in Y and containing f(x), therefore it is  $pre-\omega$ -open and since f is  $pre-\omega$ -continuous, there is a pre- $\omega$ -open set U in X containing x and  $f(U) \subset V$ . Since X is a door space U is also an  $\omega$ -open set. For the converse let f be an  $\omega$ -continuous map and V be a pre- $\omega$ -open set in Y. Then since Y is door space we get Vis  $\omega$ -open, and by the  $\omega$ -continuity of f there exists an  $\omega$ -open set U in X containing x (also pre- $\omega$ -open) with  $f(U) \subset V$ . And so f is a  $\omega$ -continuous. Similarly we can prove (2) X

#### **3.** Weak $\omega$ – Compactness

In this article we shall introduce weak  $\omega$  – compactness. It is defined that every cover by such weak open sets contains a finite subcover. So let us state new definitions for the weak new types of  $\omega$  – compact sets, and prove several rather simple theorems about it.

**Definition 3.1.** Let X be a topological space. We say that a subset A of X is  $\omega$ -compact [2] (resp.  $\alpha - \omega$ -compact,  $pre - \omega$ -compact,  $b - \omega$ -compact and  $\beta - \omega$ -compact) if for each cover of  $\omega$ -open (resp.  $\alpha - \omega$ -open,  $pre - \omega$ -open,  $b - \omega$ -open and  $\beta - \omega$ -open) sets from X contains a finite sub cover for A.

**Theorem 3.2**. In any topological space, every  $\beta - \omega$  – compact set is compact.

## **Proof** :

Let X be a topological space, and let A be a  $\beta - \omega$ -compact subset of X, to prove A is compact, let C be an open cover for A. Since we can consider C as a cover of  $\beta - \omega$ -open sets by lemma 1.2 and A is  $\beta - \omega$ -compact subset of X. Then C contains a finite sub cover, Thus X is compact set.

**Theorem 3.4.** Let (X,T) be a topological space

- 1. If (X,T) is door space, then any  $\mathscr{A}$ -compact set is pre- $\omega$ -compact.
- 2. If (X,T) is door space, then any b- $\omega$ -compact set is  $\beta \omega$ -compact.

3. If (X,T) satisfies the  $\omega$ -condition, then any compact set is  $\omega$ -compact.

4. If (X,T) satisfies the  $\omega - B_{\alpha}$  condition, then any compact set is  $\omega - \alpha$ -compact.

5. If (X,T) satisfies the  $\omega$ -B-condition, then any compact set is pre- $\omega$ - compact.

#### **Proof:**

**1.** Let X be a topological door space, and let A be an  $\omega$ -compact subset of X, and C be a cover of pre- $\omega$ - open subsets of X. Since X is a door space so we can consider C as a cover of  $\omega$ -open sets. And by the  $\omega$ -compactness of X, C contains a finite sub cover of pre- $\omega$ -open sets. Hence A is pre- $\omega$ -compact.

Similarly we can prove (2).

3. Let X be a topological space satisfies the  $\omega$ -condition, and A be a compact subset of X, to prove A is  $\omega$ - compact, let C be a cover of  $\omega$ -open sets for A. Since X satisfies the  $\omega$ - condition, we can consider C as a cover of open sets and by the compactness of A, C contains a finite subcover of open( also  $\omega$ -open) sets for A. This implies X is  $\omega$ -compact. Similarly we can prove (4) and (5) X

**Theorem 3.5.** An  $\omega$ -closed (resp.  $\alpha - \omega$ -closed,  $pre - \omega$ -closed,  $b - \omega$ -closed and  $\beta - \omega$ -closed) sub set of  $\omega$ - compact (resp.  $\alpha - \omega$ -compact,  $pre - \omega$ -compact,  $b - \omega$ -compact and  $\beta - \omega$ -compact) subspace is  $c\omega$ -ompact (resp.  $\alpha - \omega$ -compact,  $pre - \omega$ -compact,  $pre - \omega$ -compact,  $b - \omega$ -compact and  $\beta - \omega$ -compact).

#### **Proof:**

Let *Y* be an  $\mathcal{O}$ -compact subspace of the topological space *X*, and let *F* be an  $\mathcal{O}$ -closed subset of *Y*. Let  $C = \{G_{\lambda}, \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  be a cover of  $\circ \omega$ -open sets for *F*. Then  $C \cup (Y \setminus F = D)$  is a cover of  $\omega$ -open sets for *Y*. Since *Y* is  $\omega$ -compact there is a finite subcover D' of *D* for *Y*, and hence without  $Y \setminus F$ , a cover for *F* (because *F* and  $Y \setminus F$  are disjoint). So we have shown that a finite sub collection of *C* cover *F*. Thus *F* is  $\omega$ -compact. Similarly we can prove the other cases X

**Theorem 3.6.** Let  $f: X \to Y$  be an  $\omega$ -continuous (resp.  $\alpha - \omega$ -continuous, pre- $\omega$ -continuous, b- $\omega$ -continuous, and  $\beta - \omega$ - continuous) map from the  $\omega$ -compact (resp.  $\alpha - \omega$ -compact, pre- $\omega$ - compact,  $b - \omega$ - compact, and  $\beta - \omega$ - compact) space X onto a topological

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space Y. Then Y is  $\omega$ -compact (resp.  $\alpha - \omega$ -compact,  $pre - \omega$ - compact,  $b - \omega$ - compact and  $\beta - \omega$ - compact) space.

## Proof:

Let  $f: X \to Y$  be an  $\omega$ -continuous map from the  $\omega$ -compact space X on to Y. Let  $\{Y_{\lambda}, \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  be a cover of  $\omega$ - open sets for Y, then since f is  $\omega$ -continuous map so  $\{f^{-1}(Y_{\lambda}), \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is a cover of  $\omega$ -open sets for X. Since X is  $\omega$ -compact so it has a finite sub cover  $\{f^{-1}(Y_{\lambda_i}): i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . Then by the surjection of f we get  $\{Y_{\lambda_i}: i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  is an  $\omega$ -open cover for Y. Hence Y is  $\omega$ -compact. With a simple modification to that prove one can prove the other cases X

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