

## $\Lambda_r$ -homeomorphisms and $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphisms

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### Abstract

**In this paper, the concepts of  $\Lambda_r$ -homeomorphisms and  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphisms are introduced and their basic properties are investigated. In particular, it has been shown that  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphisms form a group under composition.**

**Key words:**  $\Lambda_r$ -open,  $\Lambda_r$ -homeomorphism and  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism.

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## 1. Introduction

The notion of homeomorphisms plays a dominant role in topology and so many authors introduced various types of homeomorphisms in topological spaces. In 1995, Maki, Devi and Balachandran [2] introduced the concepts of semi-generalized homeomorphisms and generalized semi-homeomorphisms and studied some semi topological properties. Devi and Balachandran [1] introduced a generalization of  $\alpha$ -homeomorphism in 2001. Recently, Devi, Vigneshwaran, Vadivel and Vairamanickam [3,6] introduced  $g^*\alpha$ -homeomorphisms and  $rg\alpha$ -homeomorphisms and obtained some topological properties. The purpose of this paper is to introduce the concepts of homeomorphisms by using  $\Lambda_r$ -open sets. The authors [4] have recently introduced and studied  $\Lambda_r$ -sets,  $\Lambda_r$ -open sets,  $\Lambda_r$ -regular spaces and  $\Lambda_r$ -normal spaces. In this paper, we introduce the concepts  $\Lambda_r$ -homeomorphisms and  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphisms and investigate their basic properties. The most important property is that the set of all  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphisms is a group under composition of functions.

Throughout the paper,  $(X, \tau)$  (or simply  $X$ ) will always denote a topological space. For a subset  $S$  of a topological space  $X$ ,  $S$  is called regular-open [5] if  $S = \text{Int cl } S$ . The complement  $S^c = X \setminus S$  of a regular-open set  $S$  is called the regular-closed set. The family of all regular-open sets (resp. regular-closed sets) in  $(X, \tau)$  will be denoted by  $RO(X, \tau)$  (resp.  $RC(X, \tau)$ ). A subset  $S$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called a  $\Lambda_r$ -set [4] if  $S = \Lambda_r(S)$  where  $\Lambda_r(S) = \bigcap \{G : G \in RO(X, \tau) \text{ and } S \subseteq G\}$ . The collection of all  $\Lambda_r$ -sets in  $(X, \tau)$  is denoted by  $\Lambda_r(X, \tau)$ .

## 2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, we adopt the notations and terminology of [4]. Let  $A$  be a subset of a space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $A$  is called a  $\Lambda_r$ -closed set if  $A = S \cap C$  where  $S$  is a  $\Lambda_r$ -set and  $C$  is a closed set. The complement of a  $\Lambda_r$ -closed set is called  $\Lambda_r$ -open. The collection of all  $\Lambda_r$ -open (resp.  $\Lambda_r$ -closed) sets in  $(X, \tau)$  is denoted by  $\Lambda_r O(X, \tau)$  (resp.  $\Lambda_r C(X, \tau)$ ). We note that every open set is  $\Lambda_r$ -open; arbitrary union of  $\Lambda_r$ -open sets is  $\Lambda_r$ -open and arbitrary intersection of  $\Lambda_r$ -closed sets is  $\Lambda_r$ -closed. A point  $x \in X$  is called a  $\Lambda_r$ -cluster point of  $A$  if for every  $\Lambda_r$ -open set  $U$  containing  $x$ ,  $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$ . The set of all  $\Lambda_r$ -cluster points of  $A$  is called the  $\Lambda_r$ -closure of  $A$  and it is denoted by  $\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(A)$ . Then  $\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(A)$  is the intersection of  $\Lambda_r$ -closed sets containing  $A$  and it is the smallest  $\Lambda_r$ -closed set containing  $A$ . Also  $A$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -closed if and only if  $A = \Lambda_r\text{-cl}(A)$ .

$cl(A)$ . The union of  $\Lambda_r$ -open sets contained in  $A$  is called  $\Lambda_r$ -interior of  $A$  and it is denoted by  $\Lambda_r-int(A)$ .

### Definition 2.1

A function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is called

- (a)  $\Lambda_r$ -continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is a  $\Lambda_r$ -open set in  $X$  for each open set  $V$  in  $Y$ .
- (b)  $\Lambda_r$ -irresolute if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is a  $\Lambda_r$ -open set in  $X$  for each  $\Lambda_r$ -open set  $V$  in  $Y$ .
- (c)  $\Lambda_r$ -open if the image of each open set in  $X$  is a  $\Lambda_r$ -open set in  $Y$ .
- (d)  $\Lambda_r$ -closed if the image of each closed set in  $X$  is a  $\Lambda_r$ -closed set in  $Y$ .

### Lemma 2.2

Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a function where  $X$  and  $Y$  are topological spaces. Then  $f$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -continuous if and only if the inverse image of each closed set in  $Y$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -closed in  $X$ .

### Lemma 2.3

A function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -irresolute if and only if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is a  $\Lambda_r$ -closed set in  $X$  for every  $\Lambda_r$ -closed set  $V$  in  $Y$ .

## 3. $\Lambda_r$ -homeomorphism and $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism

In this section, we introduce the concepts of  $\Lambda_r$ -homeomorphisms and  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphisms in topological spaces and we investigate the group structure of the set of all  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphisms.

### Definition 3.1

A bijection  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is called  $\Lambda_r$ -homeomorphism if both  $f$  and  $f^{-1}$  are  $\Lambda_r$ -continuous.

We denote the family of all  $\Lambda_r$ -homeomorphisms of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  onto itself by  $\Lambda_r H(X, \tau)$ .

### Theorem 3.2

Every homeomorphism is a  $\Lambda_r$ -homeomorphism.

### Proof

Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be a homeomorphism. Then  $f$  is bijective and both  $f$  and  $f^{-1}$  are continuous. Since every continuous function is  $\Lambda_r$ -continuous,  $f$  and  $f^{-1}$  are  $\Lambda_r$ -continuous. This shows that  $f$  is a  $\Lambda_r$ -homeomorphism.

### Remark 3.3

The converse of the above theorem need not be true, as shown in the following example.

### Example 3.4

Let  $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{Y, \emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}\}$ .

Then  $\Lambda_r O(X, \tau) = \tau$  and  $\Lambda_r O(Y, \sigma) = \{Y, \emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b\}\}$ .

Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be defined by  $f(a) = c$ ,  $f(b) = b$  and  $f(c) = a$ .

Then  $f$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -homeomorphism. Since  $f(\{b, c\}) = \{a, b\}$  is not open in  $(Y, \sigma)$ ,  $f^{-1}$  is not continuous that implies  $f$  is not a homeomorphism.

### Theorem 3.5

Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be a bijective  $\Lambda_r$ -continuous function. Then the following are equivalent:

- (a)  $f$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -open
- (b)  $f$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -homeomorphism
- (c)  $f$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -closed

#### Proof

Suppose (a) holds. Let  $V$  be open in  $(X, \tau)$ . Then by (a),  $f(V)$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -open in  $(Y, \sigma)$ . But  $f(V) = (f^{-1})^{-1}(V)$  and so  $(f^{-1})^{-1}(V)$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -open in  $(Y, \sigma)$ . This shows that  $f^{-1}$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -continuous and it proves (b).

Suppose (b) holds. Let  $F$  be a closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ . By (b),  $f^{-1}$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -continuous and so  $(f^{-1})^{-1}(F) = f(F)$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -closed in  $(Y, \sigma)$ . This proves (c).

Suppose (c) holds. Let  $V$  be open in  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $V^c$  is closed in  $(X, \tau)$ . By (c),  $f(V^c)$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -closed in  $(Y, \sigma)$ . But  $f(V^c) = (f(V))^c$ . This implies that  $(f(V))^c$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -closed in  $(Y, \sigma)$  and so  $f(V)$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -open in  $(Y, \sigma)$ . This proves (a).

### Remark 3.6

The composition of two  $\Lambda_r$ -homeomorphisms need not be  $\Lambda_r$ -homeomorphism, as shown in the following example.

### Example 3.7

Let  $X = Y = Z = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}\}$ ,  $\sigma = \{Y, \emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}\}$  and  $\gamma = \{Z, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}\}$ . Then  $\Lambda_r O(X, \tau) = \tau$ ,  $\Lambda_r O(Y, \sigma) = \{Y, \emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b\}\}$  and  $\Lambda_r O(Z, \gamma) = \gamma$ . Define  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  by  $f(a) = c$ ,  $f(b) = b$  and  $f(c) = a$  and define  $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$  by  $g(a) = c$ ,  $g(b) = a$  and  $g(c) = b$ . Then  $f$  and  $g$  are  $\Lambda_r$ -homeomorphisms. Here  $g \circ f$  is not  $\Lambda_r$ -continuous since  $\{b, c\}$  is open in  $(Z, \gamma)$  but  $(g \circ f)^{-1}(\{b, c\}) = \{a, c\}$  is not  $\Lambda_r$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$  and so  $g \circ f$  is not  $\Lambda_r$ -homeomorphism.

**Definition 3.8**

A bijection  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is said to be  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism if both  $f$  and  $f^{-1}$  are  $\Lambda_r$ -irresolute.

We say that spaces  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \sigma)$  are  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphic if there exists a  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism from  $(X, \tau)$  onto  $(Y, \sigma)$ . We denote the family of all  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphisms of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  onto itself by  $\Lambda_r^*H(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 3.9**

Every  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism is a  $\Lambda_r$ -homeomorphism.

**Proof**

Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be a  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism. Then  $f$  is bijective,  $\Lambda_r$ -irresolute and  $f^{-1}$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -irresolute. Since every  $\Lambda_r$ -irresolute function is  $\Lambda_r$ -continuous,  $f$  and  $f^{-1}$  are  $\Lambda_r$ -continuous and so  $f$  is a  $\Lambda_r$ -homeomorphism.

**Remark 3.10**

The following example shows that the converse of the above theorem need not be true.

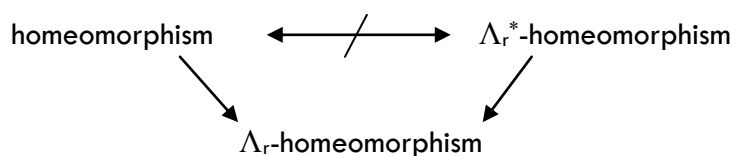
**Example 3.11**

Let  $X, Y, \tau, \sigma$  and  $f$  be defined as in Example 3.4. Then  $f$  is a  $\Lambda_r$ -homeomorphism but not a  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism since  $\{a, c\}$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -open in  $(Y, \sigma)$  but  $f^{-1}(\{a, c\}) = \{a, c\}$  is not  $\Lambda_r$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$  and so  $f$  is not  $\Lambda_r$ -irresolute.

Examples can be constructed to show that the concepts of homeomorphisms and  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism are independent.

**Remark 3.12**

From the above discussions, we have the following implications.



where "A  $\longrightarrow$  B" means A implies B but not conversely and

"A  $\longleftrightarrow$  B" means A and B are independent of each other.

**Theorem 3.13**

If  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is a  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism, then  $\Lambda_r-cl(f^{-1}(B)) = f^{-1}(\Lambda_r-cl(B))$  for every  $B \subseteq Y$ .

**Proof**

Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be a  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism. Then by Definition 3.8, both  $f$  and  $f^{-1}$  are  $\Lambda_r$ -irresolute and  $f$  is bijective. Let  $B \subseteq Y$ . Since  $\Lambda_r-cl(B)$  is a  $\Lambda_r$ -closed set in  $(Y, \sigma)$ , using

Lemma 2.3,  $f^{-1}(\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(B))$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ . But  $\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(f^{-1}(B))$  is the smallest  $\Lambda_r$ -closed set containing  $f^{-1}(B)$ .

$$\text{Therefore } \Lambda_r\text{-cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(B)). \quad \rightarrow (1)$$

Again,  $\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(f^{-1}(B))$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ . Since  $f^{-1}$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -irresolute,  $f(\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(f^{-1}(B)))$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -closed in  $(Y, \sigma)$ . Now,  $B = f(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f(\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(f^{-1}(B)))$ . Since  $f(\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(f^{-1}(B)))$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -closed and  $\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(B)$  is the smallest  $\Lambda_r$ -closed set containing  $B$ ,  $\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(B) \subseteq f(\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(f^{-1}(B)))$  that implies  $f^{-1}(\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(f(\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(f^{-1}(B)))) = \Lambda_r\text{-cl}(f^{-1}(B))$ .

$$\text{That is, } f^{-1}(\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(B)) \subseteq \Lambda_r\text{-cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \quad \rightarrow (2)$$

From (1) and (2),  $\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(f^{-1}(B)) = f^{-1}(\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(B))$ .

### Corollary 3.14

If  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is a  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism, then  $\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(f(B)) = f(\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(B))$  for every  $B \subseteq X$ .

#### Proof

Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be a  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism. Since  $f$  is  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism,  $f^{-1}$  is also a  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism. Therefore by Theorem 3.13, it follows that  $\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(f(B)) = f(\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(B))$  for every  $B \subseteq X$ .

### Corollary 3.15

If  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is a  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism, then  $f(\Lambda_r\text{-int}(B)) = \Lambda_r\text{-int}(f(B))$  for every  $B \subseteq X$ .

#### Proof

Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be a  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism. For any set  $B \subseteq X$ ,  $\Lambda_r\text{-int}(B) = (\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(B^c))^c$ .  
 $f(\Lambda_r\text{-int}(B)) = f((\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(B^c))^c) = (f(\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(B^c)))^c$ . Then using Corollary 3.14, we see that  
 $f(\Lambda_r\text{-int}(B)) = (\Lambda_r\text{-cl}(f(B^c)))^c = \Lambda_r\text{-int}(f(B))$ .

### Corollary 3.16

If  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is a  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism, then for every  $B \subseteq Y$ ,  
 $f^{-1}(\Lambda_r\text{-int}(B)) = \Lambda_r\text{-int}(f^{-1}(B))$ .

#### Proof

Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be a  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism. Since  $f$  is  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism,  $f^{-1}$  is also a  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism. Therefore by Corollary 3.15,  $f^{-1}(\Lambda_r\text{-int}(B)) = \Lambda_r\text{-int}(f^{-1}(B))$  for every  $B \subseteq Y$ .

### Theorem 3.17

If  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  and  $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$  are  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphisms, then the composition  $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$  is also  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism.

### Proof

Let  $U$  be a  $\Lambda_r$ -open set in  $(Z, \gamma)$ . Since  $g$  is  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism,  $g$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -irresolute and so  $g^{-1}(U)$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -open in  $(Y, \sigma)$ . Since  $f$  is  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism,  $f$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -irresolute and so  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(U)$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ . This implies that  $g \circ f$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -irresolute.

Again, let  $G$  be  $\Lambda_r$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ . Since  $f$  is  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism,  $f^{-1}$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -irresolute and so  $(f^{-1})^{-1}(G) = f(G)$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -open in  $(Y, \sigma)$ . Since  $g$  is  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism,  $g^{-1}$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -irresolute and so  $(g^{-1})^{-1}(f(G)) = g(f(G)) = (g \circ f)(G) = ((g \circ f)^{-1})^{-1}(G)$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -open in  $(Z, \gamma)$ . This implies that  $(g \circ f)^{-1}$  is  $\Lambda_r$ -irresolute. Since  $f$  and  $g$  are  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism,  $f$  and  $g$  are bijective and so  $g \circ f$  is bijective. This completes the proof.

### Theorem 3.18

The set  $\Lambda_r^*H(X, \tau)$  is a group under composition of functions.

### Proof

Let  $f, g \in \Lambda_r^*H(X, \tau)$ . Then  $f \circ g \in \Lambda_r^*H(X, \tau)$  by Theorem 3.17. Since  $f$  is bijective,  $f^{-1} \in \Lambda_r^*H(X, \tau)$ . This completes the proof.

### Theorem 3.19

If  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is a  $\Lambda_r^*$ -homeomorphism, then  $f$  induces an isomorphism from the group  $\Lambda_r^*H(X, \tau)$  onto the group  $\Lambda_r^*H(Y, \sigma)$ .

### Proof

Let  $f \in \Lambda_r^*H(X, \tau)$ . Then define a map  $\psi_f : \Lambda_r^*H(X, \tau) \rightarrow \Lambda_r^*H(Y, \sigma)$  by  $\psi_f(h) = f \circ h \circ f^{-1}$  for every  $h \in \Lambda_r^*H(X, \tau)$ . Let  $h_1, h_2 \in \Lambda_r^*H(X, \tau)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \psi_f(h_1 \circ h_2) &= f \circ (h_1 \circ h_2) \circ f^{-1} \\ &= f \circ (h_1 \circ f^{-1} \circ f \circ h_2) \circ f^{-1} \\ &= (f \circ h_1 \circ f^{-1}) \circ (f \circ h_2 \circ f^{-1}) \\ &= \psi_f(h_1) \circ \psi_f(h_2). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\psi_f(f^{-1} \circ h \circ f) = h$ ,  $\psi_f$  is onto. Now,  $\psi_f(h) = I$  implies  $f \circ h \circ f^{-1} = I$ . That implies  $h = I$ . This proves that  $\psi_f$  is one-one. This shows that  $\psi_f$  is a isomorphism.

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