



# New Weakly Generalized locally Closed Sets

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**Abstract:** The aim of this paper is to introduce and study the classes of  $g^\#$ -locally closed sets,  $g^\#$ -lc $^\#$  sets and  $g^\#$ -lc $^{\#\#}$  sets which are weaker forms of the class of locally closed sets. Furthermore the relations with other notions connected with the forms of locally closed sets are investigated.

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## 1. Introduction

The first step of locally closedness was done by Bourbaki [3]. He defined a set  $A$  to be locally closed if it is the intersection of an open set and a closed set. In literature many general topologists introduced the studies of locally closed sets. Extensive research on locally closedness and generalizing locally closedness were done in recent years. Stone [16] used the term FG for a locally closed set. Ganster and Reilly used locally closed sets in [6] to define LC-continuity and LC-irresoluteness. Balachandran et al [1] introduced the concept of generalized locally closed sets.

In this paper, we introduce three forms of locally closed sets called  $g^\#$ -locally closed sets,  $g^\#$ -lc $^\#$  sets and  $g^\#$ -lc $^{\#\#}$  sets. Properties of these new concepts are studied as well as their relations to the other classes of locally closed sets are investigated.

## 2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper  $(X, \tau)$  (or  $X$ ) represents topological space on which no separation axioms are assumed unless otherwise mentioned. For a subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $cl(A)$ ,  $int(A)$  and  $A^c$  denote the closure of  $A$ , the interior of  $A$  and the complement of  $A$ , respectively.

We recall the following Definitions, Remarks, Corollary and Theorem which are useful in the sequel.

**Definition 2.1.** A subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is called

1. semi-open set [9] if  $A \subseteq cl(int(A))$ ;

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2.  $\alpha$ -open set [12] if  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)))$ ;
3. regular open set [17] if  $A = \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$ .

The complements of the above mentioned open sets are called their respective closed sets.

The semi-closure [4] of a subset  $A$  of  $X$ , denoted by  $\text{scl}(A)$ , is defined to be the intersection of all semi-closed sets of  $(X, \tau)$  containing  $A$ . It is known that  $\text{scl}(A)$  is a semi-closed set.

The  $\alpha$ -closure [11] of a subset  $A$  of  $X$ , denoted by  $\alpha\text{cl}(A)$ , is defined to be the intersection of all  $\alpha$ -closed sets of  $(X, \tau)$  containing  $A$ . It is known that  $\alpha\text{cl}(A)$  is a  $\alpha$ -closed set.

**Definition 2.2.** A subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is called

1. a generalized closed (briefly  $g$ -closed) set [8] if  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$ . The complement of  $g$ -closed set is called  $g$ -open set.
2. a regular generalized closed (briefly  $rg$ -closed) set [13] if  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is regular open in  $(X, \tau)$ . The complement of  $rg$ -closed set is called  $rg$ -open set.
3. a semi-generalized closed (briefly  $sg$ -closed) set [2] if  $\text{scl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is semi-open in  $(X, \tau)$ . The complement of  $sg$ -closed set is called  $sg$ -open set.
4. an  $\alpha g$ -closed [10] if  $\alpha\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$ . The complement of  $\alpha g$ -closed set is called  $\alpha g$ -open.
5.  $g^\#$ -closed [19] if  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\alpha g$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
6.  $g^\#$ -open [19] if  $A^c$  is  $g^\#$ -closed.

**Remark 2.3.** The collection of all  $g^\#$ -closed (resp.  $g$ -closed) sets in  $X$  is denoted by  $G^\#C(X)$  (resp.  $GC(X)$ ). The collection of all  $g^\#$ -open (resp.  $g$ -open) sets in  $X$  is denoted by  $G^\#O(X)$  (resp.  $GO(X)$ ). We denote the power set of  $X$  by  $P(X)$ .

**Definition 2.4.** A subset  $S$  of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is called

1. locally closed (briefly  $lc$ ) [6] if  $S = U \cap F$ , where  $U$  is open and  $F$  is closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .
2. generalized locally closed (briefly  $glc$ ) [1] if  $S = U \cap F$ , where  $U$  is  $g$ -open and  $F$  is  $g$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .
3. semi-generalized locally closed (briefly  $sglc$ ) [14] if  $S = U \cap F$ , where  $U$  is  $sg$ -open and  $F$  is  $sg$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .
4. generalized locally semi-closed (briefly  $glsc$ ) [7] if  $S = U \cap F$ , where  $U$  is  $g$ -open and  $F$  is semi-closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .
5. locally semi-closed (briefly  $lsc$ ) [7] if  $S = U \cap F$ , where  $U$  is open and  $F$  is semi-closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .
6.  $\alpha$ -locally closed (briefly  $\alpha$ - $lc$ ) [7] if  $S = U \cap F$ , where  $U$  is  $\alpha$ -open and  $F$  is  $\alpha$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

The class of all locally closed (resp. generalized locally closed, generalized locally semi-closed, locally semi-closed) sets in  $X$  is denoted by  $LC(X)$  (resp.  $GLC(X)$ ,  $GLSC(X)$ ,  $LSC(X)$ ).

**Definition 2.5** ([15]). For any  $A \subseteq X$ , the  $g^\#$ -interior of a subset  $A$  of  $X$ ,  $g^\#\text{-int}(A)$ , is defined as the union of all  $g^\#$ -open sets contained in  $A$ . i.e.,  $g^\#\text{-int}(A) = \cup\{G : G \subseteq A \text{ and } G \text{ is } g^\#\text{-open}\}$ .

**Definition 2.6** ([15]). For every set  $A \subseteq X$ , we define the  $g^\#$ -closure of  $A$  to be the intersection of all  $g^\#$ -closed sets containing  $A$ . i.e.,  $g^\#\text{-cl}(A) = \cap\{F : A \subseteq F \in G^\#C(X)\}$ .

**Definition 2.7** ([15]). A space  $(X, \tau)$  is called a  $T^{\#}_{\frac{1}{2}}$ -space if every  $g^{\#}$ -closed set in it is closed.

Recall that a subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is called dense if  $\text{cl}(A)=X$ .

**Definition 2.8.** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called

1. *submaximal* [5, 18] if every dense subset is open.
2. *g-submaximal* [1] if every dense subset is  $g$ -open.
3. *rg-submaximal* [13] if every dense subset is  $rg$ -open.

**Remark 2.9.** For a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , the following statements hold:

1. Every closed set is  $g^{\#}$ -closed but not conversely [19].
2. Every  $g^{\#}$ -closed set is  $g$ -closed but not conversely [19].
3. A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is  $g^{\#}$ -closed if and only if  $g^{\#}\text{-cl}(A)=A$  [15].
4. A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is  $g^{\#}$ -open if and only if  $g^{\#}\text{-int}(A)=A$  [15].

**Corollary 2.10** ([15]). If  $A$  is a  $g^{\#}$ -closed set and  $F$  is a closed set, then  $A \cap F$  is a  $g^{\#}$ -closed set.

**Theorem 2.11** ([18]). Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space.

1. If  $X$  is  $g$ -submaximal, then  $X$  is  $rg$ -submaximal.
2. The converse of the above need not be true in general.

### 3. $g^{\#}$ -Locally Closed Sets

We introduce the following definition.

**Definition 3.1.** A subset  $A$  of  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $g^{\#}$ -locally closed (briefly  $g^{\#}$ -lc) if  $A=S \cap G$ , where  $S$  is  $g^{\#}$ -open and  $G$  is  $g^{\#}$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

The class of all  $g^{\#}$ -locally closed sets in  $X$  is denoted by  $G^{\#}LC(X)$ .

**Proposition 3.2.** Every  $g^{\#}$ -closed (resp.  $g^{\#}$ -open) set is  $g^{\#}$ -lc set but not conversely.

*Proof.* It follows from Definition 3.1. □

**Example 3.3.** Let  $X=\{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau=\{\emptyset, \{a\}, X\}$ . Then the set  $\{a\}$  is  $g^{\#}$ -lc set but it is not  $g^{\#}$ -closed and the set  $\{b, c\}$  is  $g^{\#}$ -lc set but it is not  $g^{\#}$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proposition 3.4.** Every lc set is  $g^{\#}$ -lc set but not conversely.

*Proof.* It follows from Remark 2.9 (1). □

**Example 3.5.** Let  $X=\{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau=\{\emptyset, \{b, c\}, X\}$ . Then the set  $\{b\}$  is  $g^{\#}$ -lc set but it is not lc set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proposition 3.6.** Every  $g^{\#}$ -lc set is a (1) glc set and (2) sglc set. However the separate converses are not true.

*Proof.* It follows from Remark 2.9 (2) and the fact that every  $g^{\#}$ -closed set is  $sg$ -closed. □

**Example 3.7.** Let  $X=\{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau=\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ . Then the set  $\{a, c\}$  is glc set but it is not  $g^\#$ -lc set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Moreover, the set  $\{a, c\}$  is sglc set but it is not  $g^\#$ -lc set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Remark 3.8.** The concepts of  $\alpha$ -lc set and  $g^\#$ -lc set are independent of each other.

**Example 3.9.** The set  $\{a, c\}$  in Example 3.7 is  $\alpha$ -lc set but it is not a  $g^\#$ -lc set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Example 3.10.** Let  $X=\{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau=\{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, X\}$ . Then set  $\{a\}$  is  $g^\#$ -lc set but it is not an  $\alpha$ -lc set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Remark 3.11.** The concepts of lsc set and  $g^\#$ -lc set are independent of each other.

**Example 3.12.** The set  $\{b\}$  in Example 3.3 is lsc set but it is not a  $g^\#$ -lc set in  $(X, \tau)$  and the set  $\{a\}$  in Example 3.10 is  $g^\#$ -lc set but it is not a lsc set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Remark 3.13.** The concepts of  $g^\#$ -lc set and glsc set are independent of each other.

**Example 3.14.** The set  $\{a, c\}$  in Example 3.3 is glsc set but it is not a  $g^\#$ -lc set in  $(X, \tau)$  and the set  $\{a, c\}$  in Example 3.10 is  $g^\#$ -lc set but it is not a glsc set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 3.15.** For a  $T^{\#}_{\frac{1}{2}}$ -space  $(X, \tau)$ , the following properties hold:

1.  $G^\#LC(X)=LC(X)$ .
2.  $G^\#LC(X)\subseteq GLC(X)$ .
3.  $G^\#LC(X)\subseteq GLSC(X)$ .

*Proof.* 1. Since every  $g^\#$ -open set is open and every  $g^\#$ -closed set is closed in  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $G^\#LC(X)\subseteq LC(X)$  and hence  $G^\#LC(X)=LC(X)$ .

(2), (3) since for any space  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $LC(X)\subseteq GLC(X)$ ,  $LC(X)\subseteq GLSC(X)$ . □

**Corollary 3.16.** If  $GO(X)=\tau$ , then  $G^\#LC(X)\subseteq GLSC(X)\subseteq LSC(X)$ .

*Proof.*  $GO(X)=\tau$  implies that  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $T^{\#}_{\frac{1}{2}}$ -space and hence by Theorem 3.15,  $G^\#LC(X)\subseteq GLSC(X)$ . Let  $A\in GLSC(X)$ . Then  $A=U\cap F$ , where  $U$  is  $g$ -open and  $F$  is semi-closed. By hypothesis,  $U$  is open and hence  $A$  is a lsc set and so  $A\in LSC(X)$ . □

**Definition 3.17.** A subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is called

1.  $g^\#$ -lc $^\#$  set if  $A=S\cap G$ , where  $S$  is  $g^\#$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$  and  $G$  is closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .
2.  $g^\#$ -lc $^{\#\#}$  set if  $A=S\cap G$ , where  $S$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$  and  $G$  is  $g^\#$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

The class of all  $g^\#$ -lc $^\#$  (resp.  $g^\#$ -lc $^{\#\#}$ ) sets in a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is denoted by  $G^\#LC^\#(X)$  (resp.  $G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X)$ ).

**Proposition 3.18.** Every lc set is  $g^\#$ -lc $^\#$  set but not conversely.

*Proof.* It follows from Definitions 2.4 (1) and 3.17 (1). □

**Example 3.19.** The set  $\{b\}$  in Example 3.10 is  $g^\#$ -lc $^\#$  set but it is not a lc set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proposition 3.20.** Every lc set is  $g^\#$ -lc $^{\#\#}$  set but not conversely.

*Proof.* It follows from Definitions 2.4 (1) and 3.17 (2). □

**Example 3.21.** The set  $\{a, c\}$  in Example 3.10 is  $g^\#$ - $lc^{\#\#}$  set but it is not a  $lc$  set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proposition 3.22.** Every  $g^\#$ - $lc^\#$  set is  $g^\#$ - $lc$  set but not conversely.

*Proof.* It follows from Definitions 3.1 and 3.17 (1). □

**Example 3.23.** The set  $\{a, c\}$  in Example 3.10 is  $g^\#$ - $lc$  set but it is not a  $g^\#$ - $lc^\#$  set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proposition 3.24.** Every  $g^\#$ - $lc^{\#\#}$  set is  $g^\#$ - $lc$  set.

*Proof.* It follows from Definitions 3.1 and 3.17 (2).

The converse of Proposition 3.24 is not true as shown by the following Example.

Let  $X = \mathbb{R}$ , the set of all real numbers, with the topology  $\tau = \{\phi, \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{Q}\}$  where  $\mathbb{Q}$  is the set of all rational numbers. Then  $\mathbb{N}$ , the set of natural numbers, is  $g^\#$ - $lc$  set but not  $g^\#$ - $lc^{\#\#}$  set.

**Solution:** Since  $\mathbb{N} \in \tau$ ,  $\mathbb{N}$  is not open. Since  $\alpha cl(\mathbb{N}) = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{N} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$  and  $\mathbb{Q} \in \tau$ ,  $\mathbb{N}$  is not  $\alpha g$ -closed and  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{N}$  is not  $\alpha g$ -open. It is clear that  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{N}$  is  $\alpha g$ -closed, being  $\mathbb{R}$  is the only open set containing  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{N}$ . Since  $cl(\mathbb{N}) = \mathbb{R} \not\subseteq \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\mathbb{N} \subseteq \mathbb{N}$  and  $\mathbb{N}$  is  $\alpha g$ -open,  $\mathbb{N}$  is not  $g^\#$ -closed. Since  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{N}$  is not  $\alpha g$ -open and  $\mathbb{R}$  is the only  $\alpha g$ -open set containing  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{N}$  is  $g^\#$ -closed and hence  $\mathbb{N}$  is  $g^\#$ -open. Since  $\mathbb{N}$  is  $g^\#$ -open,  $\mathbb{N}$  is  $g^\#$ - $lc$  set. Also,  $\mathbb{N}$  is not  $g^\#$ - $lc^{\#\#}$  set, since  $\mathbb{N}$  is neither open nor  $g^\#$ -closed. Hence the solution. □

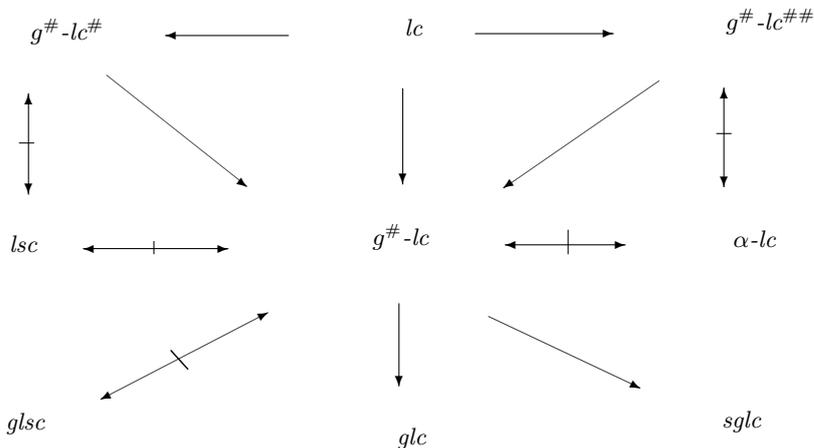
**Remark 3.25.** The concepts of  $g^\#$ - $lc^\#$  set and  $lsc$  set are independent of each other.

**Example 3.26.** The set  $\{a\}$  in Example 3.10 is  $g^\#$ - $lc^\#$  set but it is not a  $lsc$  set in  $(X, \tau)$  and the set  $\{b\}$  in Example 3.3 is  $lsc$  set but it is not a  $g^\#$ - $lc^\#$  set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Remark 3.27.** The concepts of  $g^\#$ - $lc^{\#\#}$  set and  $\alpha$ - $lc$  set are independent of each other.

**Example 3.28.** The set  $\{a, c\}$  in Example 3.10 is  $g^\#$ - $lc^{\#\#}$  set but it is not an  $\alpha$ - $lc$  set in  $(X, \tau)$  and the set  $\{a, c\}$  in Example 3.7 is  $\alpha$ - $lc$  set but it is not a  $g^\#$ - $lc^{\#\#}$  set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Remark 3.29.** From the above discussions we have the following implications where  $A \rightarrow B$  (resp.  $A \leftrightarrow B$ ) represents  $A$  implies  $B$  but not conversely (resp.  $A$  and  $B$  are independent of each other).



**Proposition 3.30.** *If  $GO(X)=\tau$ , then  $G^\#LC(X)=G^\#LC^\#(X)=G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X)$ .*

*Proof.* For any space  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $\tau \subseteq G^\#O(X) \subseteq GO(X)$ . Therefore by hypothesis,  $G^\#O(X)=\tau$ . i.e.,  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $T^{\frac{1}{2}}$ -space and hence  $G^\#LC(X)=G^\#LC^\#(X)=G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X)$ .  $\square$

**Remark 3.31.** *The converse of Proposition 3.30 need not be true.*

*For the topological space  $(X, \tau)$  in Example 3.3,  $G^\#LC(X)=G^\#LC^\#(X)=G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X)$  holds. However  $GO(X)=\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X\} \neq \tau$ .*

**Proposition 3.32.** *Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space. If  $GO(X) \subseteq LC(X)$ , then  $G^\#LC(X)=G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $A \in G^\#LC(X)$ . Then  $A=S \cap G$  where  $S$  is  $g^\#$ -open and  $G$  is  $g^\#$ -closed. Since  $G^\#O(X) \subseteq GO(X)$  and by hypothesis  $GO(X) \subseteq LC(X)$ ,  $S$  is locally closed. Then  $S=P \cap Q$ , where  $P$  is open and  $Q$  is closed. Therefore,  $A=P \cap (Q \cap G)$ . By Corollary 2.10,  $Q \cap G$  is  $g^\#$ -closed and hence  $A \in G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X)$ . i.e.,  $G^\#LC(X) \subseteq G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X)$ . For any topological space,  $G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X) \subseteq G^\#LC(X)$  and so  $G^\#LC(X)=G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X)$ .  $\square$

**Remark 3.33.** *The converse of Proposition 3.32 need not be true in general. For the topological space  $(X, \tau)$  in Example 3.3, we have  $G^\#LC(X)=G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X) = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$ . But  $GO(X)=\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X\} \not\subseteq LC(X)=\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$ . The following results are characterizations of  $g^\#$ -lc sets,  $g^\#$ -lc $^\#$  sets and  $g^\#$ -lc $^{\#\#}$  sets.*

**Theorem 3.34.** *Assume that  $G^\#C(X)$  is closed under finite intersections. For a subset  $A$  of  $(X, \tau)$  the following statements are equivalent:*

1.  $A \in G^\#LC(X)$ ,
2.  $A=S \cap g^\#\text{-cl}(A)$  for some  $g^\#$ -open set  $S$ ,
3.  $g^\#\text{-cl}(A) - A$  is  $g^\#$ -closed,
4.  $A \cup (g^\#\text{-cl}(A))^c$  is  $g^\#$ -open,
5.  $A \subseteq g^\#\text{-int}(A \cup (g^\#\text{-cl}(A))^c)$ .

*Proof.* (1) $\Rightarrow$ (2). Let  $A \in G^\#LC(X)$ . Then  $A=S \cap G$  where  $S$  is  $g^\#$ -open and  $G$  is  $g^\#$ -closed. Since  $A \subseteq G$ ,  $g^\#\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq G$  and so  $S \cap g^\#\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq A$ . Also  $A \subseteq S$  and  $A \subseteq g^\#\text{-cl}(A)$  implies  $A \subseteq S \cap g^\#\text{-cl}(A)$  and therefore  $A=S \cap g^\#\text{-cl}(A)$ .

(2) $\Rightarrow$ (3).  $A=S \cap g^\#\text{-cl}(A)$  implies  $g^\#\text{-cl}(A) - A = g^\#\text{-cl}(A) \cap S^c$  which is  $g^\#$ -closed since  $S^c$  is  $g^\#$ -closed and  $g^\#\text{-cl}(A)$  is  $g^\#$ -closed.

(3) $\Rightarrow$ (4).  $A \cup (g^\#\text{-cl}(A))^c = (g^\#\text{-cl}(A) - A)^c$  and by assumption,  $(g^\#\text{-cl}(A) - A)^c$  is  $g^\#$ -open and so is  $A \cup (g^\#\text{-cl}(A))^c$ .

(4) $\Rightarrow$ (5). By assumption,  $A \cup (g^\#\text{-cl}(A))^c = g^\#\text{-int}(A \cup (g^\#\text{-cl}(A))^c)$  and hence  $A \subseteq g^\#\text{-int}(A \cup (g^\#\text{-cl}(A))^c)$ .

(5) $\Rightarrow$ (1). By assumption and since  $A \subseteq g^\#\text{-cl}(A)$ ,  $A = g^\#\text{-int}(A \cup (g^\#\text{-cl}(A))^c) \cap g^\#\text{-cl}(A)$ . Therefore,  $A \in G^\#LC(X)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.35.** *For a subset  $A$  of  $(X, \tau)$ , the following statements are equivalent:*

1.  $A \in G^\#LC^\#(X)$ ,
2.  $A=S \cap \text{cl}(A)$  for some  $g^\#$ -open set  $S$ ,
3.  $\text{cl}(A) - A$  is  $g^\#$ -closed,
4.  $A \cup (\text{cl}(A))^c$  is  $g^\#$ -open.

*Proof.* (1) $\Rightarrow$ (2). Let  $A \in G^\#LC^\#(X)$ . There exist an  $g^\#$ -open set  $S$  and a closed set  $G$  such that  $A = S \cap G$ . Since  $A \subseteq S$  and  $A \subseteq cl(A)$ ,  $A \subseteq S \cap cl(A)$ . Also since  $cl(A) \subseteq G$ ,  $S \cap cl(A) \subseteq S \cap G = A$ . Therefore  $A = S \cap cl(A)$ .

(2) $\Rightarrow$ (1). Since  $S$  is  $g^\#$ -open and  $cl(A)$  is a closed set,  $A = S \cap cl(A) \in G^\#LC^\#(X)$ .

(2) $\Rightarrow$ (3). Since  $cl(A) - A = cl(A) \cap S^c$ ,  $cl(A) - A$  is  $g^\#$ -closed by Corollary 2.10.

(3) $\Rightarrow$ (2). Let  $S = (cl(A) - A)^c$ . Then  $S$  is  $g^\#$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$  and  $A = S \cap cl(A)$ .

(3) $\Rightarrow$ (4). Let  $G = cl(A) - A$ . Then  $G^c = A \cup (cl(A))^c$  and  $A \cup (cl(A))^c$  is  $g^\#$ -open.

(4) $\Rightarrow$ (3). Let  $S = A \cup (cl(A))^c$ . Then  $S^c$  is  $g^\#$ -closed and  $S^c = cl(A) - A$  and so  $cl(A) - A$  is  $g^\#$ -closed. □

**Theorem 3.36.** *Let  $A$  be a subset of  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $A \in G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X)$  if and only if  $A = S \cap g^\#-cl(A)$  for some open set  $S$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $A \in G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X)$ . Then  $A = S \cap G$  where  $S$  is open and  $G$  is  $g^\#$ -closed. Since  $A \subseteq G$ ,  $g^\#-cl(A) \subseteq G$ . We obtain  $A = A \cap g^\#-cl(A) = S \cap G \cap g^\#-cl(A) = S \cap g^\#-cl(A)$ .

Converse part is trivial. □

**Corollary 3.37.** *Let  $A$  be a subset of  $(X, \tau)$ . If  $A \in G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X)$ , then  $g^\#-cl(A) - A$  is  $g^\#$ -closed and  $A \cup (g^\#-cl(A))^c$  is  $g^\#$ -open.*

*Proof.* Let  $A \in G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X)$ . Then by Theorem 3.36,  $A = S \cap g^\#-cl(A)$  for some open set  $S$  and  $g^\#-cl(A) - A = g^\#-cl(A) \cap S^c$  is  $g^\#$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ . If  $G = g^\#-cl(A) - A$ , then  $G^c = A \cup (g^\#-cl(A))^c$  and  $G^c$  is  $g^\#$ -open and so is  $A \cup (g^\#-cl(A))^c$ . □

## 4. $g^\#$ -dense Sets and $g^\#$ -submaximal Spaces

We introduce the following definition.

**Definition 4.1.** *A subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $g^\#$ -dense if  $g^\#-cl(A) = X$ .*

**Example 4.2.** *Consider the topological space  $(X, \tau)$  in Example 3.5. Then the set  $A = \{b, c\}$  is  $g^\#$ -dense in  $(X, \tau)$ .*

**Proposition 4.3.** *Every  $g^\#$ -dense set is dense.*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be an  $g^\#$ -dense set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $g^\#-cl(A) = X$ . Since  $g^\#-cl(A) \subseteq cl(A)$ , we have  $cl(A) = X$  and so  $A$  is dense.

The converse of Proposition 4.3 need not be true as seen from the following example. □

**Example 4.4.** *The set  $\{a, c\}$  in Example 3.10 is a dense in  $(X, \tau)$  but it is not  $g^\#$ -dense in  $(X, \tau)$ .*

**Definition 4.5.** *A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $g^\#$ -submaximal if every dense subset in it is  $g^\#$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .*

**Proposition 4.6.** *Every submaximal space is  $g^\#$ -submaximal.*

*Proof.* Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a submaximal space and  $A$  be a dense subset of  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $A$  is open. But every open set is  $g^\#$ -open and so  $A$  is  $g^\#$ -open. Therefore  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g^\#$ -submaximal.

The converse of Proposition 4.6 need not be true as seen from the following example. □

**Example 4.7.** *Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X\}$ . Then  $G^\#O(X) = P(X)$ . We have every dense subset is  $g^\#$ -open and hence  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g^\#$ -submaximal. However, the set  $A = \{a\}$  is dense in  $(X, \tau)$ , but it is not open in  $(X, \tau)$ . Therefore  $(X, \tau)$  is not submaximal.*

**Proposition 4.8.** *Every  $g^\#$ -submaximal space is  $g$ -submaximal.*

*Proof.* Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a  $g^\#$ -submaximal space and  $A$  be a dense subset of  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $A$  is  $g^\#$ -open. But every  $g^\#$ -open set is  $g$ -open and so  $A$  is  $g$ -open. Therefore  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g$ -submaximal.

The converse of Proposition 4.8 need not be true as seen from the following example. □

**Example 4.9.** *Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, X\}$ . Then  $GO(X) = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$  and  $G^\#O(X) = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}\}$ . Every dense subset is  $g$ -open and hence  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g$ -submaximal. However, the set  $A = \{a, b\}$  is dense in  $(X, \tau)$ , but it is not  $g^\#$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ . Therefore  $(X, \tau)$  is not  $g^\#$ -submaximal.*

**Remark 4.10.** *From Propositions 4.6, 4.8 and Theorem 2.11, we have the following diagram:*

*submaximal  $\rightarrow g^\#$ -submaximal  $\rightarrow g$ -submaximal  $\rightarrow rg$ -submaximal*

**Theorem 4.11.** *A space  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g^\#$ -submaximal if and only if  $P(X) = G^\#LC^\#(X)$ .*

*Proof.* Necessity. Let  $A \in P(X)$  and let  $V = A \cup (\text{cl}(A))^c$ . This implies that  $\text{cl}(V) = \text{cl}(A) \cup (\text{cl}(A))^c = X$ . Hence  $\text{cl}(V) = X$ . Therefore  $V$  is a dense subset of  $X$ . Since  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g^\#$ -submaximal,  $V$  is  $g^\#$ -open. Thus  $A \cup (\text{cl}(A))^c$  is  $g^\#$ -open and by Theorem 3.35, we have  $A \in G^\#LC^\#(X)$ .

Sufficiency. Let  $A$  be a dense subset of  $(X, \tau)$ . This implies  $A \cup (\text{cl}(A))^c = A \cup X^c = A \cup \emptyset = A$ . Now  $A \in G^\#LC^\#(X)$  implies that  $A = A \cup (\text{cl}(A))^c$  is  $g^\#$ -open by Theorem 3.35. Hence  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g^\#$ -submaximal. □

**Proposition 4.12.** *Assume that  $G^\#O(X)$  forms a topology. For subsets  $A$  and  $B$  in  $(X, \tau)$ , the following are true:*

1. *If  $A, B \in G^\#LC(X)$ , then  $A \cap B \in G^\#LC(X)$ .*
2. *If  $A, B \in G^\#LC^\#(X)$ , then  $A \cap B \in G^\#LC^\#(X)$ .*
3. *If  $A, B \in G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X)$ , then  $A \cap B \in G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X)$ .*
4. *If  $A \in G^\#LC(X)$  and  $B$  is  $g^\#$ -open (resp.  $g^\#$ -closed), then  $A \cap B \in G^\#LC(X)$ .*
5. *If  $A \in G^\#LC^\#(X)$  and  $B$  is  $g^\#$ -open (resp. closed), then  $A \cap B \in G^\#LC^\#(X)$ .*
6. *If  $A \in G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X)$  and  $B$  is  $g^\#$ -closed (resp. open), then  $A \cap B \in G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X)$ .*
7. *If  $A \in G^\#LC^\#(X)$  and  $B$  is  $g^\#$ -closed, then  $A \cap B \in G^\#LC(X)$ .*
8. *If  $A \in G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X)$  and  $B$  is  $g^\#$ -open, then  $A \cap B \in G^\#LC(X)$ .*
9. *If  $A \in G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X)$  and  $B \in G^\#LC^\#(X)$ , then  $A \cap B \in G^\#LC(X)$ .*

*Proof.* By Remark 2.9 and Corollary 2.10, (1) to (8) hold.

(9). Let  $A = S \cap G$  where  $S$  is open and  $G$  is  $g^\#$ -closed and  $B = P \cap Q$  where  $P$  is  $g^\#$ -open and  $Q$  is closed. Then  $A \cap B = (S \cap P) \cap (G \cap Q)$  where  $S \cap P$  is  $g^\#$ -open and  $G \cap Q$  is  $g^\#$ -closed, by Corollary 2.10. Therefore  $A \cap B \in G^\#LC(X)$ . □

**Remark 4.13.** *Union of two  $g^\#$ -lc sets (resp.  $g^\#$ -lc $^\#$  sets,  $g^\#$ -lc $^{\#\#}$  sets) need not be an  $g^\#$ -lc set (resp.  $g^\#$ -lc $^\#$  set,  $g^\#$ -lc $^{\#\#}$  set) as seen from the following Examples.*

**Example 4.14.** *In Example 3.7, we have  $G^\#LC(X) = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$ . Then the sets  $\{a\}$  and  $\{c\}$  are  $g^\#$ -lc sets, but their union  $\{a, c\} \notin G^\#LC(X)$ .*

**Example 4.15.** In Example 3.7, we have  $G^\#LC^\#(X)=\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$ . Then the sets  $\{a\}$  and  $\{c\}$  are  $g^\#-lc^\#$  sets, but their union  $\{a, c\} \notin G^\#LC^\#(X)$ .

**Example 4.16.** In Example 3.7, we have  $G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X)=\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$ . Then the sets  $\{a\}$  and  $\{c\}$  are  $g^\#-lc^{\#\#}$  sets, but their union  $\{a, c\} \notin G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X)$ .

We introduce the following definition.

**Definition 4.17.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $A$  and  $B$  are said to be  $g^\#$ -separated if  $A \cap g^\#-cl(B)=\emptyset$  and  $g^\#-cl(A) \cap B=\emptyset$ .

**Example 4.18.** For the topological space  $(X, \tau)$  of Example 3.10. Let  $A=\{a\}$  and  $B=\{b\}$ . Then  $g^\#-cl(A)=\{a, c\}$  and  $g^\#-cl(B)=\{b, c\}$  and so the sets  $A$  and  $B$  are  $g^\#$ -separated.

**Proposition 4.19.** Assume that  $G^\#O(X)$  forms a topology. For a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , the following are true:

1. Let  $A, B \in G^\#LC(X)$ . If  $A$  and  $B$  are  $g^\#$ -separated then  $A \cup B \in G^\#LC(X)$ .
2. Let  $A, B \in G^\#LC^\#(X)$ . If  $A$  and  $B$  are separated (i.e.,  $A \cap cl(B)=\emptyset$  and  $cl(A) \cap B=\emptyset$ ), then  $A \cup B \in G^\#LC^\#(X)$ .
3. Let  $A, B \in G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X)$ . If  $A$  and  $B$  are  $g^\#$ -separated then  $A \cup B \in G^\#LC^{\#\#}(X)$ .

*Proof.* 1. Since  $A, B \in G^\#LC(X)$ , by Theorem 3.34, there exist  $g^\#$ -open sets  $U$  and  $V$  of  $(X, \tau)$  such that  $A=U \cap g^\#-cl(A)$  and  $B=V \cap g^\#-cl(B)$ . Now  $G=U \cap (X - g^\#-cl(B))$  and  $H=V \cap (X - g^\#-cl(A))$  are  $g^\#$ -open subsets of  $(X, \tau)$ . Since  $A \cap g^\#-cl(B)=\emptyset$ ,  $A \subseteq (g^\#-cl(B))^c$ . Now  $A=U \cap g^\#-cl(A)$  becomes  $A \cap (g^\#-cl(B))^c = G \cap g^\#-cl(A)$ . Then  $A=G \cap g^\#-cl(A)$ . Similarly  $B=H \cap g^\#-cl(B)$ . Moreover  $G \cap g^\#-cl(B)=\emptyset$  and  $H \cap g^\#-cl(A)=\emptyset$ . Since  $G$  and  $H$  are  $g^\#$ -open sets of  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $GUH$  is  $g^\#$ -open. Therefore  $A \cup B=(GUH) \cap g^\#-cl(A \cup B)$  and hence  $A \cup B \in G^\#LC(X)$ .

(2) and (3) are similar to (1), using Theorems 3.35 and 3.36.

□

**Remark 4.20.** The assumption that  $A$  and  $B$  are  $g^\#$ -separated in (1) of Proposition 4.19 cannot be removed. In Example 3.7, the sets  $\{a\}$  and  $\{c\}$  are not  $g^\#$ -separated and their union  $\{a, c\} \notin G^\#LC(X)$ .

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