



$g^\#$ -closed Sets in Ideal Topological Spaces

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Abstract: The notion of $g^\#$ -closed sets is introduced in ideal topological spaces. Characterizations and properties of $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed sets and $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -open sets are given. A characterization of normal spaces is given in terms of $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -open sets. Also, it is established that an $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed subset of an \mathcal{I} -compact space is \mathcal{I} -compact.

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1. Introduction and Preliminaries

An ideal \mathcal{I} on a topological space (X, τ) is a nonempty collection of subsets of X which satisfies

- (1). $A \in \mathcal{I}$ and $B \subseteq A \Rightarrow B \in \mathcal{I}$ and
- (2). $A \in \mathcal{I}$ and $B \in \mathcal{I} \Rightarrow A \cup B \in \mathcal{I}$ [15].

Given a topological space (X, τ) with an ideal \mathcal{I} on X and if $\wp(X)$ is the set of all subsets of X , a set operator $(.)^* : \wp(X) \rightarrow \wp(X)$, called a local function [15] 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 $\tau(x) = \{U \in \tau \mid x \in U\}$. We will make use of the basic facts about the local functions [[12], Theorem 2.3] without mentioning it explicitly. A Kuratowski closure operator $cl^*(.)$ for a topology $\tau^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$, called the \star -topology, finer than τ is defined by $cl^*(A) = A \cup A^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$ [29]. When there is no chance for confusion, we will simply write A^* for $A^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$ and τ^* for $\tau^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$.

If \mathcal{I} is an ideal on X , then (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is called an ideal topological space. \mathcal{N} is the ideal of all nowhere dense subsets in (X, τ) . A subset A of an ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is \star -closed [12] (resp. \star -dense in itself [10]) if $A^* \subseteq A$ (resp. $A \subseteq A^*$). A subset A of an ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is \mathcal{I}_g -closed [2] if $A^* \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open.

By a space, we always mean a topological space (X, τ) with no separation properties assumed. If $A \subseteq X$, $cl(A)$ and $int(A)$ will, respectively, denote the closure and interior of A in (X, τ) and $int^*(A)$ will denote the interior of A in (X, τ^*) .

A subset A of a space (X, τ) is an α -open [24] (resp. a semi-open [16], a preopen [19], a regular open [28]) set if $A \subseteq int(cl(int(A)))$ (resp. $A \subseteq cl(int(A))$, $A \subseteq int(cl(A))$, $A = int(cl(A))$).

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The family of all α -open sets in (X, τ) , denoted by τ^α , is a topology on X finer than τ . The closure of A in (X, τ^α) is denoted by $cl_\alpha(A)$.

Definition 1.1. A subset A of a space (X, τ) is said to be

- (1). g -closed [17] if $cl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open.
- (2). g -open [17] if its complement is g -closed.
- (3). αg -closed [18] if $cl_\alpha(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open.
- (4). αg -open [18] if its complement is αg -closed.
- (5). $g^\#$ -closed [31] if $cl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is αg -open.
- (6). $g^\#$ -open [31] if its complement is $g^\#$ -closed.
- (7). \hat{g} -closed [30] or ω -closed [27] or s^*g -closed [14, 20, 25] if $cl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is semi-open.
- (8). \hat{g} -open [30] if its complement is \hat{g} -closed.

Definition 1.2. An ideal \mathcal{I} is said to be

- (1). codense [3] or τ -boundary [23] if $\tau \cap \mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$,
- (2). completely codense [3] if $PO(X) \cap \mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$, where $PO(X)$ is the family of all preopen sets in (X, τ) .

Lemma 1.3. Every completely codense ideal is codense but not conversely [3].

The following Lemmas, Result, Definitions, Remarks and Theorem will be useful in the sequel.

Lemma 1.4 ([12]). Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space and A, B subsets of X . Then the following properties hold:

- (1). $A \subseteq B \Rightarrow A^* \subseteq B^*$,
- (2). $A^* = cl(A^*) \subseteq cl(A)$,
- (3). $(A^*)^* \subseteq A^*$,
- (4). $(A \cup B)^* = A^* \cup B^*$,
- (5). $(A \cap B)^* \subseteq A^* \cap B^*$.

Lemma 1.5. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space and $A \subseteq X$. If $A \subseteq A^*$, then $A^* = cl(A^*) = cl(A) = cl^*(A)$ [[26], Theorem 5].

Lemma 1.6. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space. Then \mathcal{I} is codense if and only if $G \subseteq G^*$ for every semi-open set G in X [[26], Theorem 3].

Lemma 1.7. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space. If \mathcal{I} is completely codense, then $\tau^* \subseteq \tau^\alpha$ [[26], Theorem 6].

Result 1.8. For a subset of a topological space, the following properties hold:

- (1). Every closed set is $g^\#$ -closed but not conversely [31].
- (2). Every $g^\#$ -closed set is g -closed but not conversely [31].

(3). Every closed set is \hat{g} -closed but not conversely [30].

(4). Every \hat{g} -closed set is g -closed but not conversely [30].

Definition 1.9. An ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is said to be a $T_{\mathcal{I}}$ -space [2] if every \mathcal{I}_g -closed subset of X is a \star -closed set.

Lemma 1.10. If (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is a $T_{\mathcal{I}}$ -space and A is an \mathcal{I}_g -closed set, then A is a \star -closed set [[21], Corollary 2.2].

Lemma 1.11. Every g -closed set is \mathcal{I}_g -closed but not conversely [[2], Theorem 2.1].

Definition 1.12. A subset G of an ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is said to be

(1). \mathcal{I}_{rg} -closed [22] if $G^{\star} \subseteq H$ whenever $G \subseteq H$ and H is regular open.

(2). $\text{pre}_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -open [4] if $G \subseteq \text{int}^{\star}(\text{cl}(G))$.

(3). $\text{pre}_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -closed [4] if $X \setminus G$ is $\text{pre}_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -open.

(4). \mathcal{I} -R closed [1] if $G = \text{cl}^{\star}(\text{int}(G))$.

Remark 1.13 ([5]). In any ideal topological space, every \mathcal{I} -R closed set is \star -closed but not conversely.

Definition 1.14 ([5]). Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space. A subset G of X is said to be a weakly \mathcal{I}_{rg} -closed set if $(\text{int}(G))^{\star} \subseteq H$ whenever $G \subseteq H$ and H is a regular open set in X .

Remark 1.15 ([5]). Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space. The following diagram holds for a subset $G \subseteq X$:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathcal{I}_g\text{-closed} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{I}_{rg}\text{-closed} & \longrightarrow & \text{weakly } \mathcal{I}_{rg}\text{-closed} \\ & \uparrow & & & \uparrow \\ \star\text{-closed} & \longleftarrow & \mathcal{I}\text{-R-closed} & & \text{pre}_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}\text{-closed} \end{array}$$

These implications are not reversible.

Definition 1.16 ([6, 7]). A subset K of an ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is said to be

(1). $\text{semi}^{\star}\mathcal{I}$ -open if $K \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}^{\star}(K))$,

(2). $\text{semi}^{\star}\mathcal{I}$ -closed if its complement is $\text{semi}^{\star}\mathcal{I}$ -open.

Definition 1.17 ([6]). The $\text{semi}^{\star}\mathcal{I}$ -closure of a subset K of an ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) , denoted by $s_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}\text{cl}(K)$, is defined by the intersection of all $\text{semi}^{\star}\mathcal{I}$ -closed sets of X containing K .

Theorem 1.18 ([6]). For a subset K of an ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) , $s_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}\text{cl}(K) = K \cup \text{int}(\text{cl}^{\star}(K))$.

Definition 1.19 ([8]). Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space and $K \subseteq X$. K is called

(1). generalized $\text{semi}^{\star}\mathcal{I}$ -closed ($gs_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -closed) in (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) if $s_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}\text{cl}(K) \subseteq O$ whenever $K \subseteq O$ and O is an open set in (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) .

(2). generalized $\text{semi}^{\star}\mathcal{I}$ -open ($gs_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -open) in (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) if $X \setminus K$ is a $gs_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -closed set in (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) .

2. $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed Sets

Definition 2.1. A subset A of an ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is said to be

- (1). $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed if $A^* \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is αg -open.
- (2). $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -open if its complement is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed.

Theorem 2.2. If (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is any ideal topological space, then every $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed set is \mathcal{I}_g -closed but not conversely.

Proof. It follows from the fact that every open set is αg -open. □

Example 2.3. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{c\}, \{a, b\}\}$ and $\mathcal{I} = \{\phi, \{a, b\}\}$. It is clear that $\{b\}$ is \mathcal{I}_g -closed but not $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed.

Theorem 2.4. If (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is any ideal topological space and $A \subseteq X$, then the following are equivalent.

- (1). A is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed.
- (2). $cl^*(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is αg -open in X .

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2) Let $A \subseteq U$ where U is αg -open in X . Since A is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed, $A^* \subseteq U$ and so $cl^*(A) = A \cup A^* \subseteq U$.

(2) \Rightarrow (1) It follows from the fact that $A^* \subseteq cl^*(A) \subseteq U$. □

Theorem 2.5. Every \star -closed set is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed but not conversely.

Proof. Let A be a \star -closed set. To prove A is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed, let U be any αg -open set such that $A \subseteq U$. Since A is \star -closed, $A^* \subseteq A \subseteq U$. Thus A is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed. □

Example 2.6. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}\}$ and $\mathcal{I} = \{\phi\}$. It is clear that $\{a, c, d\}$ is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed but not \star -closed.

Theorem 2.7. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space. For every $A \in \mathcal{I}$, A is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed.

Proof. Let $A \in \mathcal{I}$ and let $A \subseteq U$ where U is αg -open. Since $A \in \mathcal{I}$, $A^* = \phi \subseteq U$. Thus A is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed. □

Theorem 2.8. If (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is an ideal topological space, then A^* is always $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed for every subset A of X .

Proof. Let $A^* \subseteq U$ where U is αg -open. Since $(A^*)^* \subseteq A^*$ [12], we have $(A^*)^* \subseteq U$. Hence A^* is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed. □

Theorem 2.9. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space. Then every $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed, αg -open set is \star -closed.

Proof. Let A be $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed and αg -open. We have $A \subseteq A^*$ where A is αg -open. Since A is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed, $A^* \subseteq A$. Thus A is \star -closed. □

Corollary 2.10. If (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is a $T_{\mathcal{I}}$ -space and A is an $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed set, then A is a \star -closed set.

Proof. By assumption A is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed in (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) and so by Theorem 2.2, A is \mathcal{I}_g -closed. Since (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is a $T_{\mathcal{I}}$ -space, by Definition 1.9, A is \star -closed. □

Corollary 2.11. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space and A be an $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed set. Consider the following statements.

- (1). A is a \star -closed set,

(2). $cl^*(A) - A$ is an αg -closed set,

(3). $A^* - A$ is an αg -closed set.

Then (1) \Rightarrow (2) and (2) \Rightarrow (3) hold.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2) By (1) A is \star -closed. Hence $A^* \subseteq A$ and $cl^*(A) - A = (A \cup A^*) - A = \phi$ which is an αg -closed set.

(2) \Rightarrow (3) $cl^*(A) - A = A^* \cup A - A = (A^* \cup A) \cap A^c = (A^* \cap A^c) \cup (A \cap A^c) = (A^* \cap A^c) \cup \phi = A^* - A$ which is an αg -closed set by (2). \square

Theorem 2.12. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space. Then every $g^\#$ -closed set is an $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed set but not conversely.

Proof. Let A be a $g^\#$ -closed set. Let U be any αg -open set such that $A \subseteq U$. Since A is $g^\#$ -closed, $cl(A) \subseteq U$. So, by Lemma 1.4, $A^* \subseteq cl(A) \subseteq U$ and thus A is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed. \square

Example 2.13. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{d\}, \{a, d\}\}$ and $\mathcal{I} = \{\phi, \{d\}\}$. It is clear that $\{d\}$ is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed but not $g^\#$ -closed.

Theorem 2.14. If (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is an ideal topological space and A is a \star -dense in itself, $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed subset of X , then A is $g^\#$ -closed.

Proof. Let $A \subseteq U$ where U is αg -open. Since A is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed, $A^* \subseteq U$. As A is \star -dense in itself, by Lemma 1.5, $cl(A) = A^*$. Thus $cl(A) \subseteq U$ and hence A is $g^\#$ -closed. \square

Corollary 2.15. If (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is any ideal topological space where $\mathcal{I} = \{\phi\}$, then A is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed if and only if A is $g^\#$ -closed.

Proof. In (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) , if $\mathcal{I} = \{\phi\}$ then $A^* = cl(A)$ for the subset A . A is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed $\Leftrightarrow A^* \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is αg -open $\Leftrightarrow cl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is αg -open $\Leftrightarrow A$ is $g^\#$ -closed. \square

Corollary 2.16. In an ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) where \mathcal{I} is codense, if A is a semi-open and $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed subset of X , then A is $g^\#$ -closed.

Proof. By Lemma 1.6, A is \star -dense in itself. By Theorem 2.14, A is $g^\#$ -closed. \square

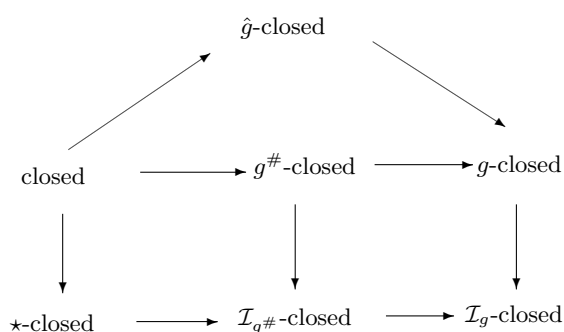
Example 2.17. In Example 2.3, $\{a\}$ is g -closed but not $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed.

Example 2.18. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, c, d\}\}$ and $\mathcal{I} = \{\phi, \{c\}\}$. It is clear that $\{c\}$ is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed but not g -closed.

Remark 2.19. We see that from Examples 2.17 and 2.18, g -closedness and $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closedness are independent.

Example 2.20. In Example 2.3, $\{a\}$ is \hat{g} -closed but not $g^\#$ -closed.

Remark 2.21. We have the following implications for the subsets stated above.



Theorem 2.22. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space and $A \subseteq X$. If $A \subseteq B \subseteq A^*$, then $A^* = B^*$ and B is \star -dense in itself.

Proof. Since $A \subseteq B$, then $A^* \subseteq B^*$ and since $B \subseteq A^*$, then $B^* \subseteq (A^*)^* \subseteq A^*$. Therefore $A^* = B^*$ and $B \subseteq A^* \subseteq B^*$. Hence proved. \square

Theorem 2.23. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space. Then every subset of X is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed if and only if every αg -open set is \star -closed.

Proof. Suppose every subset of X is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed. Let U be αg -open in X . Then $U \subseteq U \subseteq X$ and U is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed by assumption. It implies $U^* \subseteq U$. Hence U is \star -closed.

Conversely, let $A \subseteq X$ and U be αg -open such that $A \subseteq U$. Since U is \star -closed by assumption, we have $A^* \subseteq U^* \subseteq U$. Thus A is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed. \square

Theorem 2.24. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space and $A \subseteq X$. Then A is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -open if and only if $F \subseteq \text{int}^*(A)$ whenever F is αg -closed and $F \subseteq A$.

Proof. Suppose A is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -open. If F is αg -closed and $F \subseteq A$, then $X - A \subseteq X - F$ and so $\text{cl}^*(X - A) \subseteq X - F$ by Theorem 2.4(2). Therefore $F \subseteq X - \text{cl}^*(X - A) = \text{int}^*(A)$. Hence $F \subseteq \text{int}^*(A)$.

Conversely, suppose the condition holds. Let U be an αg -open set such that $X - A \subseteq U$. Then $X - U \subseteq A$ and so $X - U \subseteq \text{int}^*(A)$. Therefore $\text{cl}^*(X - A) \subseteq U$. By Theorem 2.4(2), $X - A$ is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed. Hence A is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -open. \square

The following Theorem gives a characterization of normal spaces in terms of $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -open sets.

Theorem 2.25. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space where \mathcal{I} is completely codense. Then the following are equivalent.

- (1). X is normal,
- (2). For any disjoint closed sets A and B , there exist disjoint $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -open sets U and V such that $A \subseteq U$ and $B \subseteq V$,
- (3). For any closed set A and open set V containing A , there exists an $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -open set U such that $A \subseteq U \subseteq \text{cl}^*(U) \subseteq V$.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2) The proof follows from the fact that every open set is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -open.

(2) \Rightarrow (3) Suppose A is closed and V is an open set containing A . Since A and $X - V$ are disjoint closed sets, there exist disjoint $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -open sets U and W such that $A \subseteq U$ and $X - V \subseteq W$. Since $X - V$ is αg -closed and W is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -open, $X - V \subseteq \text{int}^*(W)$. Then $X - \text{int}^*(W) \subseteq V$. Again $U \cap W = \emptyset$ which implies that $U \cap \text{int}^*(W) = \emptyset$ and so $U \subseteq X - \text{int}^*(W)$. Then $\text{cl}^*(U) \subseteq X - \text{int}^*(W) \subseteq V$ and thus U is the required $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -open sets with $A \subseteq U \subseteq \text{cl}^*(U) \subseteq V$.

(3) \Rightarrow (1) Let A and B be two disjoint closed subsets of X . Then A is a closed set and $X - B$ an open set containing A . By hypothesis, there exists an $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -open set U such that $A \subseteq U \subseteq \text{cl}^*(U) \subseteq X - B$. Since U is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -open and A is αg -closed we have, by Theorem 2.24, $A \subseteq \text{int}^*(U)$. Since \mathcal{I} is completely codense, by Lemma 1.7, $\tau^* \subseteq \tau^\alpha$ and so $\text{int}^*(U)$ and $X - \text{cl}^*(U) \in \tau^\alpha$. Hence $A \subseteq \text{int}^*(U) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{int}^*(U)))) = G$ and $B \subseteq X - \text{cl}^*(U) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(X - \text{cl}^*(U)))) = H$. G and H are the required disjoint open sets containing A and B respectively, which proves (1). \square

Definition 2.26. A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is said to be an $\alpha g^\#$ -closed set if $\text{cl}_\alpha(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is αg -open. The complement of an $\alpha g^\#$ -closed set is said to be an $\alpha g^\#$ -open set.

If $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{N}$, it is not difficult to see that $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed sets coincide with $\alpha g^\#$ -closed sets and so we have the following Corollary.

Corollary 2.27. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space where $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{N}$. Then the following are equivalent.

- (1). X is normal,

(2). For any disjoint closed sets A and B , there exist disjoint $\alpha g^\#$ -open sets U and V such that $A \subseteq U$ and $B \subseteq V$,

(3). For any closed set A and open set V containing A , there exists an $\alpha g^\#$ -open set U such that $A \subseteq U \subseteq \text{cl}_\alpha(U) \subseteq V$.

Definition 2.28. A subset A of an ideal topological space is said to be \mathcal{I} -compact [9] or compact modulo \mathcal{I} [23] if for every open cover $\{U_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \Delta\}$ of A , there exists a finite subset Δ_0 of Δ such that $A \cup \{U_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \Delta_0\} \in \mathcal{I}$. The space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is \mathcal{I} -compact if X is \mathcal{I} -compact as a subset.

Theorem 2.29. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space. If A is an \mathcal{I}_g -closed subset of X , then A is \mathcal{I} -compact [[21], Theorem 2.17].

Corollary 2.30. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space. If A is an $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed subset of X , then A is \mathcal{I} -compact.

Proof. The proof follows from the fact that every $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed is \mathcal{I}_g -closed. □

Remark 2.31. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space. By Remark 1.15, Definition 1.19, Definition 2.1 and Theorem 2.2, the following diagram holds for a subset $G \subseteq X$:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} gs_{\mathcal{I}}^*-closed & & \text{weakly } \mathcal{I}_{\tau g}\text{-closed} \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \mathcal{I}_{g^\#}\text{-closed} & \longrightarrow \mathcal{I}_g\text{-closed} \longrightarrow & \mathcal{I}_{\tau g}\text{-closed} \end{array}$$

These implications are not reversible.

Example 2.32. In Example 2.3, $\{b\}$ is $gs_{\mathcal{I}}^*$ -closed set but not $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed.

Definition 2.33. A subset A of an ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is said to be a $s^*C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set if $A = L \cap M$, where $L \in \tau$ and M is a semi * - \mathcal{I} -closed set in X .

Theorem 2.34. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space and $V \subseteq X$. Then V is a $s^*C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set in X if and only if $V = G \cap s_{\mathcal{I}}^*\text{cl}(V)$ for an open set G in X .

Proof. If V is a $s^*C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set, then $V = G \cap M$ for an open set G and a semi * - \mathcal{I} -closed set M . Then $V \subseteq M$ and so $V \subseteq s_{\mathcal{I}}^*\text{cl}(V) \subseteq M$. It follows that $V = V \cap s_{\mathcal{I}}^*\text{cl}(V) = G \cap M \cap s_{\mathcal{I}}^*\text{cl}(V) = G \cap s_{\mathcal{I}}^*\text{cl}(V)$. Conversely, it is enough to prove that $s_{\mathcal{I}}^*\text{cl}(V)$ is a semi * - \mathcal{I} -closed set. Any semi * - \mathcal{I} -closed set containing V contains $s_{\mathcal{I}}^*\text{cl}(V)$ also and any semi * - \mathcal{I} -closed set containing $s_{\mathcal{I}}^*\text{cl}(V)$ contains V . Hence $s_{\mathcal{I}}^*\text{cl}(V) = s_{\mathcal{I}}^*\text{cl}(s_{\mathcal{I}}^*\text{cl}(V)) = s_{\mathcal{I}}^*\text{cl}(V) \cup \text{int}(\text{cl}^*(s_{\mathcal{I}}^*\text{cl}(V)))$ and thus $\text{int}(\text{cl}^*(s_{\mathcal{I}}^*\text{cl}(V))) \subseteq s_{\mathcal{I}}^*\text{cl}(V)$. Thus $s_{\mathcal{I}}^*\text{cl}(V)$ is semi * - \mathcal{I} -closed. □

Theorem 2.35. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space and $A \subseteq X$. The following properties are equivalent.

(1). A is a semi * - \mathcal{I} -closed set in X .

(2). A is a $s^*C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set and a $gs_{\mathcal{I}}^*$ -closed set in X .

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2): It follows from the fact that any semi * - \mathcal{I} -closed set in X is a $s^*C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set and a $gs_{\mathcal{I}}^*$ -closed set in X .

(2) \Rightarrow (1): Suppose that A is a $s^*C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set and a $gs_{\mathcal{I}}^*$ -closed set in X . Since A is a $s^*C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set, then by Theorem 2.34, $A = G \cap s_{\mathcal{I}}^*\text{cl}(A)$ for an open set G in (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) . Since $A \subseteq G$ and A is $gs_{\mathcal{I}}^*$ -closed in X , we have $s_{\mathcal{I}}^*\text{cl}(A) \subseteq G$. It follows that $s_{\mathcal{I}}^*\text{cl}(A) = A$ and hence A is semi * - \mathcal{I} -closed. □

Proposition 2.36. Every $g^\#$ -closed set is $\alpha g^\#$ -closed but not conversely.

Proof. It follows from the fact that $\text{cl}_\alpha(A) \subseteq \text{cl}(A)$ for any subset A of X . □

Example 2.37. In Example 2.6, it is clear that $\{b\}$ is $\alpha g^\#$ -closed but not $g^\#$ -closed.

3. αg - \mathcal{I} -locally Closed Sets

Definition 3.1. A subset A of an ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is called an αg - \mathcal{I} -locally closed set (briefly, αg - \mathcal{I} -LC) if $A = U \cap V$ where U is αg -open and V is \star -closed.

Definition 3.2. [13] A subset A of an ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is called a weakly \mathcal{I} -locally closed set (briefly, weakly \mathcal{I} -LC) if $A = U \cap V$ where U is open and V is \star -closed.

Proposition 3.3. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space and A a subset of X . Then the following hold.

- (1). If A is αg -open, then A is αg - \mathcal{I} -LC-set.
- (2). If A is \star -closed, then A is αg - \mathcal{I} -LC-set.
- (3). If A is a weakly \mathcal{I} -LC-set, then A is an αg - \mathcal{I} -LC-set.

The converses of the above Proposition 3.3 need not be true as shown in the following Examples.

Example 3.4.

- (1). In Example 2.3, $\{b\}$ is an αg - \mathcal{I} -LC-set but not \star -closed.
- (2). Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$ and $\mathcal{I} = \{\phi, \{c\}\}$. It is clear that $\{c\}$ is an αg - \mathcal{I} -LC-set but not αg -open.

Example 3.5. In Example 2.3, $\{b\}$ is an αg - \mathcal{I} -LC-set but not a weakly \mathcal{I} -LC-set.

Theorem 3.6. Let (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) be an ideal topological space. If A is an αg - \mathcal{I} -LC-set and B is a \star -closed set, then $A \cap B$ is an αg - \mathcal{I} -LC-set.

Proof. Let B be \star -closed, then $A \cap B = (U \cap V) \cap B = U \cap (V \cap B)$, where $V \cap B$ is \star -closed. Hence $A \cap B$ is an αg - \mathcal{I} -LC-set. \square

Theorem 3.7. A subset of an ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is \star -closed if and only if it is

- (1). weakly \mathcal{I} -LC and \mathcal{I}_g -closed. [11]
- (2). αg - \mathcal{I} -LC and $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed.

Proof. (2) Necessity is trivial. We prove only sufficiency. Let A be αg - \mathcal{I} -LC-set and $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed set. Since A is αg - \mathcal{I} -LC, $A = U \cap V$, where U is αg -open and V is \star -closed. So, we have $A = U \cap V \subseteq U$. Since A is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed, $A^* \subseteq U$. Also since $A = U \cap V \subseteq V$ and V is \star -closed, we have $A^* \subseteq V$. Consequently, $A^* \subseteq U \cap V = A$ and hence A is \star -closed. \square

Remark 3.8.

- (1). The notions of weakly \mathcal{I} -LC-set and \mathcal{I}_g -closed set are independent [11].
- (2). The notions of αg - \mathcal{I} -LC-set and $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed set are independent.

Example 3.9. In Example 2.6, $\{a\}$ is αg - \mathcal{I} -LC-set but not $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed.

Example 3.10. In Example 2.6, it is clear that $\{a, c, d\}$ is $\mathcal{I}_{g^\#}$ -closed set but not αg - \mathcal{I} -LC-set.

Definition 3.11. Let A be a subset of a topological space (X, τ) . Then the αg -kernel of the set A , denoted by $\alpha g\text{-ker}(A)$, is the intersection of all αg -open supersets of A .

Definition 3.12. A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is called $\Lambda_{\alpha g}$ -set if $A = \alpha g\text{-ker}(A)$.

Definition 3.13. A subset A of an ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) is called $\lambda_{\alpha g}$ - \mathcal{I} -closed if $A = L \cap F$ where L is a $\Lambda_{\alpha g}$ -set and F is \star -closed.

Lemma 3.14.

- (1). Every \star -closed set is $\lambda_{\alpha g}$ - \mathcal{I} -closed but not conversely.
- (2). Every $\Lambda_{\alpha g}$ -set is $\lambda_{\alpha g}$ - \mathcal{I} -closed but not conversely.
- (3). Every αg - \mathcal{I} -LC-set is $\lambda_{\alpha g}$ - \mathcal{I} -closed.

Example 3.15. In Example 2.3, $\{b\}$ is $\lambda_{\alpha g}$ - \mathcal{I} -closed but not \star -closed.

Example 3.16. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$ and $\mathcal{I} = \{\phi, \{c\}\}$. It is clear that $\{c\}$ is $\lambda_{\alpha g}$ - \mathcal{I} -closed but not a $\Lambda_{\alpha g}$ -set.

Remark 3.17. It is easily observed from Examples 3.15 and 3.16, that the concepts of $\Lambda_{\alpha g}$ -set and \star -closed set are independent for $\{b\}$ is a $\Lambda_{\alpha g}$ -set but not a \star -closed set whereas $\{c\}$ is \star -closed but not a $\Lambda_{\alpha g}$ -set.

Lemma 3.18. For a subset A of an ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) , the following are equivalent.

- (1). A is $\lambda_{\alpha g}$ - \mathcal{I} -closed.
- (2). $A = L \cap cl^*(A)$ where L is a $\Lambda_{\alpha g}$ -set.
- (3). $A = \alpha g\text{-ker}(A) \cap cl^*(A)$.

Lemma 3.19. A subset $A \subseteq (X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ is $\mathcal{I}_{g\#}$ -closed if and only if $cl^*(A) \subseteq \alpha g\text{-ker}(A)$.

Proof. Suppose that $A \subseteq X$ is an $\mathcal{I}_{g\#}$ -closed set. Suppose $x \notin \alpha g\text{-ker}(A)$. Then there exists an αg -open set U containing A such that $x \notin U$. Since A is an $\mathcal{I}_{g\#}$ -closed set, $A \subseteq U$ and U is αg -open implies that $cl^*(A) \subseteq U$ and so $x \notin cl^*(A)$. Therefore $cl^*(A) \subseteq \alpha g\text{-ker}(A)$.

Conversely, suppose $cl^*(A) \subseteq \alpha g\text{-ker}(A)$. If $A \subseteq U$ and U is αg -open, then $cl^*(A) \subseteq \alpha g\text{-ker}(A) \subseteq U$. Therefore, A is $\mathcal{I}_{g\#}$ -closed. \square

Theorem 3.20. For a subset A of an ideal topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) , the following are equivalent.

- (1). A is \star -closed.
- (2). A is $\mathcal{I}_{g\#}$ -closed and αg - \mathcal{I} -LC.
- (3). A is $\mathcal{I}_{g\#}$ -closed and $\lambda_{\alpha g}$ - \mathcal{I} -closed.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2) \Rightarrow (3) Obvious.

(3) \Rightarrow (1) Since A is $\mathcal{I}_{g\#}$ -closed, by Lemma 3.19, $cl^*(A) \subseteq \alpha g\text{-ker}(A)$. Since A is $\lambda_{\alpha g}$ - \mathcal{I} -closed, by Lemma 3.18, $A = \alpha g\text{-ker}(A) \cap cl^*(A) = cl^*(A)$. Hence A is \star -closed. \square

The following two Examples show that the concepts of $\mathcal{I}_{g\#}$ -closedness and $\lambda_{\alpha g}$ - \mathcal{I} -closedness are independent.

Example 3.21. In Example 3.10, $\{a, c, d\}$ is $\mathcal{I}_{g\#}$ -closed but not $\lambda_{\alpha g}$ - \mathcal{I} -closed.

Example 3.22. In Example 2.3, $\{b\}$ is $\lambda_{\alpha g}$ - \mathcal{I} -closed but not $\mathcal{I}_{g\#}$ -closed.

4. Decompositions of \star -continuity

Definition 4.1. A function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be \star -continuous [11] (resp. \mathcal{I}_g -continuous [11], αg - \mathcal{I} -continuous, $\lambda_{\alpha g}$ - \mathcal{I} -continuous, $\mathcal{I}_{g\#}$ -continuous, weakly \mathcal{I} -LC-continuous [13]) if $f^{-1}(A)$ is \star -closed (resp. \mathcal{I}_g -closed, αg - \mathcal{I} -LC-set, $\lambda_{\alpha g}$ - \mathcal{I} -closed, $\mathcal{I}_{g\#}$ -closed, weakly \mathcal{I} -LC-set) in (X, τ, \mathcal{I}) for every closed set A of (Y, σ) .

Theorem 4.2. A function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is \star -continuous if and only if it is

(1). weakly \mathcal{I} -LC-continuous and \mathcal{I}_g -continuous [11].

(2). αg - \mathcal{I} -LC-continuous and $\mathcal{I}_{g\#}$ -continuous.

Proof. It is an immediate consequence of Theorem 3.7. □

Theorem 4.3. For a function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$, the following are equivalent.

(1). f is \star -continuous.

(2). f is $\mathcal{I}_{g\#}$ -continuous and αg - \mathcal{I} -LC-continuous.

(3). f is $\mathcal{I}_{g\#}$ -continuous and $\lambda_{\alpha g}$ - \mathcal{I} -continuous.

Proof. It is an immediate consequence of Theorem 3.20. □

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