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# $\star$ - $A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -sets and Decompositions of $\star$ - $A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -continuity

Research Article

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**Abstract:** The aim of this paper is to introduce and study the notions of  $\star$ - $A_{\mathcal{T}}^{\star}$ -sets and  $\star$ - $C_{\mathcal{T}}$ -sets in ideal topological spaces.

Properties of  $\star$ - $A_{\mathcal{T}}^{\star}$ -sets and  $\star$ - $C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -sets are investigated. Moreover, decompositions of  $\star$ - $A_{\mathcal{T}}^{\star}$ -continuous functions via  $\star$ - $A_{\mathcal{T}}^{\star}$ -

sets and  $\star$ -C<sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-sets in ideal topological spaces are established.

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### 1. Introduction and Preliminaries

In this paper,  $\star$ - $A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -sets and  $\star$ - $C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -sets in ideal topological spaces are introduced and studied. The relationships and properties of  $\star$ - $A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -sets and  $\star$ - $C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -sets are investigated. Furthermore, decompositions of  $\star$ - $A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -continuous functions via  $\star$ - $A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -sets and  $\star$ - $C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -sets in ideal topological spaces are provided.

Throughout this paper  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $(Y, \sigma)$  (or simply X, Y) denote topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed unless explicitly stated. For a subset A of a space X, the closure and interior of A with respect to  $\tau$  are denoted by cl(A) and int(A) respectively.

An ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  on a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  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  $B \in \mathcal{I} \Rightarrow A \cup B \in \mathcal{I}$  [9].

If  $\mathcal{I}$  is an ideal on X and  $X \notin \mathcal{I}$ , then  $\mathcal{F} = \{X \setminus G : G \in \mathcal{I}\}$  is a filter [8]. Given a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  with an ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  on X and if  $\wp(X)$  is the set of all subsets of X, a set operator  $(.)^* : \wp(X) \to \wp(X)$ , called a local function [9] of A with respect to  $\tau$  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  $\tau(x) = \{U \in \tau \mid x \in U\}$ . A Kuratowski

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closure operator  $cl^*(.)$  for a topology  $\tau^*(\mathcal{I},\tau)$ , called the \*-topology, finer than  $\tau$  is defined by  $cl^*(A)=A\cup A^*(\mathcal{I},\tau)$  [8]. When there is no chance for confusion, we will simply write  $A^*$  for  $A^*(\mathcal{I},\tau)$  and  $\tau^*$  for  $\tau^*(\mathcal{I},\tau)$ . int<sup>\*</sup>(A) will denote the interior of A in  $(X,\tau^*,\mathcal{I})$ .

**Remark 1.1** ([8]). The  $\star$ -topology is generated by  $\tau$  and by the filter F. Also the family  $\{H \cap G : H \in \tau, G \in F\}$  is a basis for this topology.

**Definition 1.2.** A subset A of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be

- (1) pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open [1] if  $A \subseteq int(cl^*(A))$ .
- (2) semi- $\mathcal{I}$ -open [7] if  $A \subseteq cl^*(int(A))$ .
- (3)  $\alpha$ - $\mathcal{I}$ -open [7] if  $A \subseteq int(cl^*(int(A)))$ .
- (4)  $semi^*$ - $\mathcal{I}$ -open [5, 6] if  $A \subseteq cl(int^*(A))$ .
- (5)  $\star$ -closed [8] if  $A^{\star} \subseteq A$  or  $A = cl^{\star}(A)$ .

The complement of  $\star$ -closed set is  $\star$ -open.

**Definition 1.3.** The complement of a pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open (resp.  $\alpha$ - $\mathcal{I}$ -open) set is called pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed [1](resp.  $\alpha$ - $\mathcal{I}$ -closed [7]).

**Definition 1.4** ([6]). The pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -closure of a subset A of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ , denoted by  $p_{\mathcal{I}}cl(A)$ , is defined as the intersection of all pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed sets of X containing A.

**Lemma 1.5** ([6]). For a subset A of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ ,  $p_{\mathcal{I}}cl(A) = A \cup cl(int^*(A))$ .

**Definition 1.6** ([3]). A subset A of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is called pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -regular if A is pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open and pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ .

**Definition 1.7** ([2, 3, 10]). A subset A of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is called  $A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -set if  $A = L \cap M$ , where L is an open and  $M = cl(int^{\star}(M))$ .

**Remark 1.8** ([4]). In any ideal topological space, every open set is  $\star$ -open but not conversely.

**Definition 1.9** ([3]). Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and  $A \subseteq X$ . A is said to be an  $C_{\mathcal{I}}^*$ -set if  $A = L \cap M$ , where L is an open and M is a pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -regular set in X.

**Theorem 1.10** ([3]). Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space. Then

- (1) Each  $C_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -set in X is a pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open but not conversely.
- (2) Every pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set is  $C_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -set but not conversely.
- (3) Every pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -regular set is  $C_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -set but not conversely.

# 2. $\star -A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -sets and $\star -C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -sets

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

- (1) an  $\star$ - $C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set if  $A = L \cap M$ , where L is an  $\star$ -open set and M is a pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed set in X.
- (2) an  $\star$ - $\eta_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set if  $A = L \cap M$ , where L is an  $\star$ -open set and M is an  $\alpha$ - $\mathcal{I}$ -closed set in X.
- (3) an  $\star$ - $A_{\tau}^{\star}$ -set if  $A = L \cap M$ , where L is an  $\star$ -open set and  $M = cl(int^{\star}(M))$ .

**Remark 2.2.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and  $A \subseteq X$ . The following diagram holds for A.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} C_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}\text{-}set & \longrightarrow \star\text{-}C_{\mathcal{I}}\text{-}set \\ & \uparrow \\ A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}\text{-}set & \longrightarrow \star\text{-}A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}\text{-}set & \longrightarrow \star\text{-}\eta_{\mathcal{I}}\text{-}set \end{array}$$

The following Examples show that these implications are not reversible in general.

**Example 2.3.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{e\}, \{b, e\}, \{c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, \{c, d, e\}, \{b, c, d, e\}, \{a, c, d, e\}, X\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{e\}, \{b, e\}\}$ . Then  $A = \{a\}$  is  $\star -A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -set but not an  $A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -set.

**Example 2.4.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ . Then  $A = \{c\}$  is  $\star$ - $\eta_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set but not an  $\star$ - $A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -set.

**Example 2.5.** In Example 2.4,  $A = \{c\}$  is  $\star$ - $C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set but not an  $C_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -set.

**Example 2.6.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, X\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$ . Then  $A = \{c\}$  is  $\star$ - $C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set but not an  $\star$ - $\eta_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set.

**Theorem 2.7.** For a subset A of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ , the following properties are equivalent.

- (1) A is an  $\star$ - $C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set and a semi $^{\star}$ - $\mathcal{I}$ -open set in X.
- (2)  $A = L \cap cl(int^*(A))$  for an \*-open set L.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): Suppose that A is an  $\star$ -C<sub>\(\mathcal{I}\)</sub>-set and a semi $^{\star}$ -\(\mathcal{I}\)-open set in X. Since A is  $\star$ -C<sub>\(\mathcal{I}\)</sub>-set, then we have A = L  $\cap$  M, where L is an  $\star$ -open set and M is a pre-\(\mathcal{I}\)-closed set in X. We have A \(\sum \text{M}\), so cl(int $^{\star}$ (A)) \(\sum \text{cl(int}\(^{\dagger}(\text{M})\)). Since M is a pre-\(\mathcal{I}\)-closed set in X, we have cl(int $^{\star}$ (M)) \(\sum \text{M}\) \(\sum \text{M}\). Since A is a semi $^{\star}$ -\(\mathcal{I}\)-open set in X, We have A \(\sum \text{cl(int}\(^{\dagger}(\text{A})\)). It follows that A = A \(\cap \text{cl(int}\(^{\dagger}(\text{A})) = \text{L} \cap \text{M} \cap \text{cl(int}\(^{\dagger}(\text{A})).

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Let  $A = L \cap cl(int^*(A))$  for an  $\star$ -open set L. We have  $A \subseteq cl(int^*(A))$ . It follows that A is a semi\*- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set in X. Since  $cl(int^*(A))$  is a closed set, then  $cl(int^*(A))$  is a pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed set in X. Hence, A is an  $\star$ - $C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set in X.

**Theorem 2.8.** For a subset A of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ , the following properties are equivalent.

- (1) A is an  $\star$ -A<sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-set in X.
- (2) A is an  $\star$ - $\eta_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set and a semi $^{\star}$ - $\mathcal{I}$ -open set in X.
- (3) A is an  $\star$ - $C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set and a semi $^{\star}$ - $\mathcal{I}$ -open set in X.

*Proof.* (1) ⇒ (2): Suppose that A is an  $\star$ - $A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -set in X. It follows that A = L ∩ M, where L is an  $\star$ -open set and M = cl(int\*(M)). This implies A = L ∩ M = L ∩ cl(int\*(M)) = int\*(L) ∩ cl(int\*(M)) ⊆ cl(int\*(L)) ∩ cl(int\*(M)) ⊆ cl(int\*(L)) ∩ cl(int\*(M)) ⊆ cl(int\*(L)) ∩ cl(int\*(M)) = cl(int\*(L)) ∩ cl(int\*(L)) ∩ cl(int\*(M)) = cl(int\*(A)). Thus A ⊆ cl(int\*(A)) and hence A is a semi\*- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set in X. Moreover, Remark 2.2, A is an  $\star$ - $\eta_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set in X.

- $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$ : It follows from the fact that every  $\star -\eta_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set is an  $\star -C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set in X by Remark 2.2.
- (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Suppose that A is an  $\star$ -C<sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-set and a semi $^{\star}$ - $\mathcal{I}$ -open set in X. By Theorem 2.7,  $A = L \cap cl(int^{\star}(A))$  for an  $\star$ -open set L. We have  $cl(int^{\star}(cl(int^{\star}(A)))) = cl(int^{\star}(A))$ . It follows that A is an  $\star$ - $A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -set in X.

#### Remark 2.9.

- (1) The notions of  $\star$ - $\eta_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set and semi\*- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set are independent of each other.
- (2) The notions of  $\star$ - $C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set and semi $^{\star}$ - $\mathcal{I}$ -open set are independent of each other.

### Example 2.10.

- (1) In Example 2.4,  $A = \{c\}$  is  $\star$ - $C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set as well as  $\star$ - $\eta_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set but not semi $^{\star}$ - $\mathcal{I}$ -open set.
- (2) In Example 2.6,  $A = \{a, b\}$  is a semi\*- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set but it is neither  $\star$ - $C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set nor  $\star$ - $\eta_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set.

**Definition 2.11.** A subset A of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be  $\star$ - $gp_{\mathcal{I}}$ -open if  $N \subseteq p_{\mathcal{I}}int(A)$  whenever  $N \subseteq A$  and N is an  $\star$ -closed set in X where  $p_{\mathcal{I}}int(A) = A \cap int(cl^{\star}(A))$ .

**Definition 2.12.** A subset A of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be  $\star$ -generalized pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed ( $\star$ -gp $_{\mathcal{I}}$ -closed) in X if  $X \setminus A$  is  $\star$ -gp $_{\mathcal{I}}$ -open.

**Theorem 2.13.** For a subset A of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ , A is  $\star$ - $gp_{\mathcal{I}}$ -closed if and only if  $p_{\mathcal{I}}cl(A) \subseteq N$  whenever  $A \subseteq N$  and N is an  $\star$ -open set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ .

*Proof.* Let A be an \*-gp<sub>\mathcal{I}</sub>-closed set in X. Suppose that A ⊆ N and N is an \*-open set in (X,  $\tau$ ,  $\mathcal{I}$ ). Then X \ A is \*-gp<sub>\mathcal{I}</sub>-open and X \ N ⊆ X \ A where X \ N is \*-closed. Since X \ A is \*-gp<sub>\mathcal{I}</sub>-open, then we have X \ N ⊆ p<sub>\mathcal{I}</sub>int(X \ A), where p<sub>\mathcal{I}</sub>int(X \ A) = (X \ A) \cap int(cl^\*(X \ A)). Since (X \ A) \cap int(cl^\*(X \ A)) = (X \ A) \cap (X \ Cl(int^\*(A))) = X \ (A \cup cl(int^\*(A))), then by Lemma 1.5, (X \ A) \cap int(cl^\*(X \ A)) = X \ (A \cup cl(int^\*(A))) = X \ p\_\mathcal{I}cl(A). Thus p<sub>\mathcal{I}</sub>cl(A) = X \ p<sub>\mathcal{I}</sub>int(X \ A) ⊆ N and hence p<sub>\mathcal{I}</sub>cl(A) ⊆ N. The converse is similar.

**Theorem 2.14.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and  $V \subseteq X$ . Then V is an  $\star$ - $C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set in X if and only if V = G  $\cap p_{\mathcal{I}}cl(V)$  for an  $\star$ -open set G in X.

*Proof.* If V is an ★-C<sub>\mathcal{I}</sub>-set, then V = G \cap M for an ★-open set G and a pre-\mathcal{I}-closed set M. But then V \( \) M and so V \( \)  $p_{\mathcal{I}}cl(V) \( \)$  M. It follows that V = V \( \)  $p_{\mathcal{I}}cl(V) = G \cap M \( \) <math>p_{\mathcal{I}}cl(V) = G \cap p_{\mathcal{I}}cl(V)$ . Conversely, it is enough to prove that  $p_{\mathcal{I}}cl(V)$  is a pre-\mathcal{I}-closed set. But  $p_{\mathcal{I}}cl(V) \subseteq M$ , for any pre-\mathcal{I}-closed set M containing V. So,  $cl(int^*(p_{\mathcal{I}}cl(V))) \subseteq cl(int^*(M))$  \( \) \( \) M. It follows that  $cl(int^*(p_{\mathcal{I}}cl(V))) \subseteq \cap_{V \subseteq M} \int_{M} \int_{M}$ 

**Theorem 2.15.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and  $A \subseteq X$ . The following properties are equivalent.

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

(2) A is an  $\star$ - $C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set and an  $\star$ - $gp_{\mathcal{I}}$ -closed set in X.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): It follows from the fact that any pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed set in X is an  $\star$ - $C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set and an  $\star$ -gp<sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-closed set in X.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Suppose that A is an  $\star$ -C<sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-set and an  $\star$ -gp<sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-closed set in X. Since A is an  $\star$ -C<sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-set, then by Theorem 2.14, A = G  $\cap$  p<sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>cl(A) for an  $\star$ -open set G in (X,  $\tau$ ,  $\mathcal{I}$ ). Since A  $\subseteq$  G and A is  $\star$ -gp<sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-closed set in X, then p<sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>cl(A)  $\subseteq$  G. It follows that p<sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>cl(A)  $\subseteq$  G  $\cap$  p<sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>cl(A) = A. Thus, A = p<sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>cl(A) and hence A is pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed.

**Theorem 2.16.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and  $A \subseteq X$ . If A is an  $\star$ - $C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set in X, then  $p_{\mathcal{I}}cl(A) \setminus A$  is a pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed set and  $A \cup (X \setminus p_{\mathcal{I}}cl(A))$  is a pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set in X.

Proof. Suppose that A is an ★-C<sub>\(\mathcal{T}\)</sub>-set in X. By Theorem 2.14, we have  $A = L \cap p_{\(\mathcal{T}\)}cl(A)$  for an ★-open set L in X. It follows that  $p_{\(\mathcal{T}\)}cl(A) \setminus A = p_{\(\mathcal{T}\)}cl(A) \setminus (L \cap p_{\(\mathcal{T}\)}cl(A)) = p_{\(\mathcal{T}\)}cl(A) \cap (X \ \ \ (L \cap p_{\(\mathcal{T}\)}cl(A))) = p_{\(\mathcal{T}\)}cl(A) \cap (X \ \ \ D) \cup (p_{\(\mathcal{T}\)}cl(A) \cap (X \ \ D)) \cup (p_{\(\mathcal{T}\)}cl(A) \cap (X \ \ D)) \cup (p_{\(\mathcal{T}\)}cl(A) \cap (X \ \ D)) \cup (p_{\(\mathcal{T}\)}cl(A) \cap (X \ \ D). Thus <math>p_{\(\mathcal{T}\)}cl(A) \ A = p_{\(\mathcal{T}\)}cl(A) \cap (X \ \ D) \cap (p_{\(\mathcal{T}\)}cl(A) \cap A is a pre-\(\mathcal{T}\)-closed set in X, then <math>X \setminus (p_{\(\mathcal{T}\)}cl(A) \ A) = (X \setminus (p_{\(\mathcal{T}\)}cl(A) \cap A) = (X \ \ p_{\(\mathcal{T}\)}cl(A) \cap A is a pre-\(\mathcal{T}\)-open set. Thus, <math>X \setminus (p_{\(\mathcal{T}\)}cl(A) \ A) = (X \setminus p_{\(\mathcal{T}\)}cl(A)) \cup A is a pre-\(\mathcal{T}\)-open set in X.$ 

# 3. Decompositions of $\star$ - $A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -continuity

**Definition 3.1.** A function  $f:(X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \to (Y, \sigma)$  is said to be

- (1)  $\star$ - $C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -continuous if  $f^{-1}(A)$  is an  $\star$ - $C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set in X for every open set A in Y.
- (2)  $\star$ - $A_{\tau}^{\star}$ -continuous if  $f^{-1}(A)$  is an  $\star$ - $A_{\tau}^{\star}$ -set in X for every open set A in Y.
- (3)  $\star -\eta_{\mathcal{I}}$ -continuous if  $f^{-1}(A)$  is an  $\star -\eta_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set in X for every open set A in Y.
- (4)  $A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -continuous [3] if  $f^{-1}(A)$  is an  $A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -set in X for every open set A in Y.

**Remark 3.2.** For a function  $f:(X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \to (Y, \sigma)$ , the following diagram holds. The reverses of these implications are not true in general as shown in the following Examples.

$$\begin{array}{c} \star\text{-}C_{\mathcal{I}}\text{-}continuity \longleftarrow C_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}\text{-}continuity \\ \\ \uparrow \\ \\ \star\text{-}\eta_{\mathcal{I}}\text{-}continuity \longleftarrow \star\text{-}A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}\text{-}continuity \longleftarrow A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}\text{-}continuity \end{array}$$

**Example 3.3.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}\}$ ,  $Y = \{p, q, r\}$ ,  $\sigma = \{\emptyset, Y, \{q\}, \{r\}, \{q, r\}\}\}$ ,  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$  and  $\mathcal{J} = \{\emptyset\}$ . Define  $f: (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \to (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$  by f(a) = p; f(b) = q and f(c) = r. Then f is  $\star C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -continuous but not  $\star \eta_{\mathcal{I}}$ -continuous.

**Example 3.4.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ ,  $Y = \{p, q, r, s\}$ ,  $\sigma = \{\emptyset, Y, \{r\}, \{s\}, \{r, s\}\}$ ,  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ . Define  $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \to (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$  by f(a) = p, f(b) = q, f(c) = r and f(d) = s. Then f is  $\star$ - $C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -continuous but not  $C_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -continuous.

**Example 3.5.** In Example 3.4, f is  $\star$ - $\eta_{\mathcal{I}}$ -continuous but not  $\star$ - $A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -continuous.

**Example 3.6.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{e\}, \{b, e\}, \{c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, \{c, d, e\}, \{b, c, d, e\}, \{a, c, d, e\}, X\}$ ,  $Y = \{p, q, r, s, t\}$ ,  $\sigma = \{\emptyset, Y, \{p\}\}$ ,  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{e\}, \{b, e\}\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ . Define  $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \to (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$  by f(a) = p, f(b) = q, f(c) = r, f(d) = s and f(e) = t. Then f is  $\star A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -continuous but not  $A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -continuous.

**Definition 3.7** ([3]). A function  $f:(X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \to (Y, \sigma)$  is said to be semi\*- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is a semi\*- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set in X for every open set V in Y.

**Theorem 3.8.** The following properties are equivalent for a function  $f:(X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \to (Y, \sigma)$ :

- (1) f is  $\star$ - $A_{\mathcal{I}}^{\star}$ -continuous.
- (2) f is  $\star$ - $\eta_{\mathcal{I}}$ -continuous and semi $^{\star}$ - $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous.
- (3) f is  $\star$ - $C_{\mathcal{I}}$ -continuous and  $semi^{\star}$ - $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous.

*Proof.* It follows from Theorem 2.8.

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