



# $M^*$ -open Sets in Topological Spaces

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**Abstract:** The aim of this paper is to introduce a new class of open sets called  $M^*$ -Open sets and investigate some properties of these sets in topological spaces.

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## 1. Introduction

In 1968, N.V.Velicko exhibited and studied some new types of open sets called  $\theta$ -open sets [12] and  $\delta$ -open sets [12]. N.Levine in 1963 initiated a new type of open set called semi-open set [6]. In 1993, S.Raychaudhuri and N.Mukherjee defined  $\delta$ -pre-open sets [10]. In 1997,  $\delta$ -semi-open sets was obtained by J.H.Park [9], and M.Caldas obtained  $\theta$ -semi-open sets in 2008 [1]. E.Ekici in 2008 introduced  $e$ -open sets [2] and also later in 2008 he introduced  $\alpha$ -open sets [3]. In the year 2008 E.Ekici invented  $e^*$ -open sets [3]. The notion of  $M$ -open sets was introduced by A.I.El.Maghrabi and M.A.Al.Juhani in 2011 [5]. This paper is devoted to introduce and investigate a new class of open set namely  $M^*$ -open sets.

### 1.1. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \sigma)$  (Simply  $X$  and  $Y$ ) represent topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed unless or otherwise mentioned. For a subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau)$  the closure of  $A$ , the interior of  $A$ , and the complement of  $A$  are represented by  $cl(A)$ ,  $int(A)$ , and  $X \setminus A$  respectively. A subset  $A$  of a space  $X$  is said to be regular open [11] if  $A = int(cl(A))$ . A point  $x \in X$  is said to be  $\theta$ -interior point of  $A$  [12] if there exists an open set  $U$  containing  $x$  such that  $U \subseteq cl(U) \subseteq A$ . The set of all  $\theta$ -interior points of  $A$  is said to be the  $\theta$ -interior of  $A$  and denoted by  $int_\theta(A)$ . A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is said to be  $\theta$ -open if  $A = int_\theta(A)$ .

**Definition 1.1.** A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is said to be,

- (1). pre-open if  $A \subseteq int(cl(A))$ [7].
- (2). semi-open if  $A \subseteq cl(int(A))$ [6].
- (3).  $\alpha$ -open if  $A \subseteq int(cl(int(A)))$ [8].

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(4).  $\theta$ -semi-open if  $A \subseteq cl(int_\theta(A))$ . [1]

(5).  $M$ -open if  $A \subseteq cl(int_\theta(A) \cup int(cl_\delta(A)))$ . [5]

**Definition 1.2.** The complement of a pre-open (resp. semi-open,  $\alpha$ -open,  $\theta$ -semi-open,  $M$ -open) set is called pre-closed (resp. semi-closed,  $\alpha$ -closed,  $\theta$ -semi-closed,  $M$ -closed).

**Definition 1.3.** The intersection of all pre-closed (resp. semi-closed,  $\alpha$ -closed,  $\theta$ -semi-closed,  $M$ -closed) sets containing  $A$  is called the pre-closure (resp. semi-closure,  $\alpha$ -closure,  $\theta$ -semi-closure,  $M$ -closure) of  $A$  and is denoted by  $pcl(A)$  (resp.  $scl(A)$ ,  $\alpha-cl(A)$ ,  $scl_\theta(A)$ ,  $Mcl(A)$ ).

**Definition 1.4.** The union of all pre-open (resp. semi-open,  $\alpha$ -open,  $\theta$ -semi-open,  $M$ -open) sets contained in  $A$  is called the pre-interior (resp. semi-interior,  $\alpha$ -interior,  $\theta$ -semi-interior,  $M$ -interior) of  $A$  and is denoted by  $pint(A)$  (resp.  $sint(A)$ ,  $\alpha-int(A)$ ,  $sint_\theta(A)$ ,  $M-int(A)$ ).

**Lemma 1.5** ([5]).

(1).  $A$  is open if and only if  $A = int_\theta(A)$ .

(2).  $int_\theta(A)$  is the union of all  $\theta$ -open sets of  $X$  whose closures are contained in  $A$ .

(3). For any subset  $A$  of  $X$   $A \subseteq Cl(A) \subseteq Cl_\delta(A) \subseteq Cl_\theta(A)$  (resp.  $int_\theta(A) \subseteq int_\delta(A) \subseteq int(A) \subseteq A$ ).

(4).  $int_\theta(A \cap B) = int_\theta(A) \cap int_\theta(B)$ .  $int_\theta(A) \cup int_\theta(B) \subseteq int_\theta(A \cup B)$ .

(5).  $Cl_\theta(A \cap B) = Cl_\theta(A) \cap Cl_\theta(B)$ .  $Cl_\theta(A \cup B) = Cl_\theta(A) \cup Cl_\theta(B)$ .

**Lemma 1.6** ([5]). Let  $A$  be a subset of a space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then the following statements are hold.

(1).  $pint(\delta-pcl(A)) = \delta-pcl(A) \cap int(cl(A))$  and

$$pcl(\delta-pint(A)) = \delta-pint(A) \cap cl(int(A))$$

(2).  $pint_\theta(\delta-pcl(A)) = \delta-pcl(A) \cap int(cl_\theta(A))$  and

$$pcl_\theta(\delta-pint(A)) = \delta-pint(A) \cap cl(int_\theta(A))$$

(3).  $scl_\theta(int_\theta(A)) = scl(int_\theta(A)) = int(cl(int_\theta(A)))$

(4).  $sint_\theta(cl_\theta(A)) = sint(cl_\theta(A)) = cl(int(cl_\theta(A)))$

## 2. $M^*$ -open Sets

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be topological space. Then a subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be,

(1). an  $M^*$ -open set if  $A \subseteq int(cl(int_\theta(A)))$ .

(2). an  $M^*$ -closed set if  $A \supseteq cl(int(cl_\theta(A)))$ .

**Lemma 2.2.** Let  $A$  be a subset of a space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then the following statements are hold:

(1). Every  $\theta$ -open set is an  $M^*$ -open set.

(2). Every  $M^*$ -open set is a  $\theta$ -semi-open set.

(3). Every  $M^*$ -open set is an  $M$ -open set.

*Proof.*

(1). Let  $A$  be an  $\theta$ -open set. Then  $A = \text{int}_\theta(A)$  and by Lemma 1.5  $\text{int}_\theta(A) \subseteq \text{int}(A) \subseteq A$ . Hence,  $A = \text{int}(A)$ . Since  $A = \text{int}_\theta(A) \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}_\theta(A))$ , then  $A = \text{int}(A) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}_\theta(A)))$ . Thus  $A$  is  $M^*$ -open.

(2). Obvious from the definition.

(3). Let  $A$  be  $M^*$ -open. Then  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}_\theta(A))) \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}_\theta(A)) \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}_\theta(A)) \cup \text{int}(\text{cl}_\delta(A))$ .

Hence  $A$  is an  $M$ -open set. □

But the converse of the above results (2) and (3) need not be true as shown by the following examples.

**Example 2.3.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with topology  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Then  $A = \{a, c\}$  is an  $M$ -open set and  $\theta$ -semi-open-set but it is not  $M^*$ -open.

**Lemma 2.4.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space. Then the following statements are hold:

(1). The arbitrary union of  $M^*$ -open sets is  $M^*$ -open.

(2). The arbitrary intersection of  $M^*$ -closed sets is  $M^*$ -closed.

*Proof.* (1). Let  $\{A_i : i \in I\}$  be a family of  $M^*$ -open sets. Then  $A_i \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}_\theta(A_i)))$  for all  $i \in I$ . Then,  $\cup_{i \in I} A_i \subseteq \cup_{i \in I} \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}_\theta(A_i))) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}_\theta(\cup_{i \in I} A_i)))$ . Hence  $\cup_{i \in I} A_i$  is  $M^*$ -open. □

**Lemma 2.5.** For a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  the family of all  $M^*$ -open sets of  $X$  forms a topology denoted by  $\tau_{M^*}$  for  $X$ .

*Proof.* It is obvious that  $X, \phi$  are in  $M^*O(X)$  and from Lemma 2.5 we've arbitrary union of  $M^*$ -open sets is  $M^*$ -open. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be  $M^*$ -open sets. Then,  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}_\theta(A)))$  and  $B \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}_\theta(B)))$ . And hence,

$$\begin{aligned} A \cap B &\subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}_\theta(A))) \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}_\theta(B))) \\ &\subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}_\theta(A) \cap \text{cl}(\text{int}_\theta(B)))) \\ &\subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}_\theta(A) \cap \text{int}_\theta(B))) \\ &\subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}_\theta(A \cap B))) \end{aligned}$$

Hence the finite intersection of  $M^*$ -open sets is  $M^*$ -open and hence  $\tau_{M^*}$  is a topology for  $X$ . □

**Definition 2.6.** Let  $A$  be a subset of a space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then,

(1). The intersection of all  $M^*$ -closed sets containing  $A$  is called the  $M^*$ -closure of  $A$  and is denoted by  $M^*\text{-cl}(A)$ .

(2). The union of all  $M^*$ -open sets contained in  $A$  is called the  $M^*$ -interior of  $A$  and is denoted by  $M^*\text{-int}(A)$ .

**Theorem 2.7.** The following hold for a subset of a space  $(X, \tau)$ :

(1).  $A$  is  $M^*$ -open if and only if  $A = A \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}_\theta(A)))$ .

(2).  $A$  is  $M^*$ -closed if and only if  $A = A \cup \text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}_\theta(A)))$ .

*Proof.* (1). Let  $A$  be an  $M^*$ -open. Then  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}_\theta(A)))$ . Hence  $A \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}_\theta(A))) = A$ . Conversely let  $A = A \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}_\theta(A)))$ . Then,  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}_\theta(A)))$ . Hence  $A$  is  $M^*$ -open. □

**Theorem 2.8.** *The following hold for a subset of a space  $(X, \tau)$ :*

$$(1). M^* \text{-int}(A) = A \cap \text{int}(cl(\text{int}_\theta(A)))$$

$$(2). M^* \text{-cl}(A) = A \cup cl(\text{int}(cl_\theta(A)))$$

*Proof.* (1). Since  $M^* \text{-int}(A)$  is  $M^*$ -open,  $M^* \text{-int}(A) \subseteq \text{int}(cl(\text{int}_\theta(M^* \text{-int}(A))) \subseteq \text{int}(cl(\text{int}_\theta(A)))$ . Also,  $A \cap M^* \text{-int}(A) \subseteq A \cap \text{int}(cl(\text{int}_\theta(A)))$ . Hence,  $M^* \text{-int}(A) \subseteq A \cap \text{int}(cl(\text{int}_\theta(A)))$ .

Conversely since,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{int}(cl(\text{int}_\theta(A \cap \text{int}(cl(\text{int}_\theta(A))))) &\supseteq \text{int}(cl(\text{int}_\theta(A \cap \text{int}_\theta(cl(\text{int}_\theta(A))))) \\ &\supseteq \text{int}(cl(\text{int}_\theta(A) \cap \text{int}_\theta(cl(\text{int}_\theta(A)))) \\ &\supseteq \text{int}(cl(\text{int}_\theta(A) \cap \text{int}_\theta(\text{int}_\theta(A)))) \\ &= \text{int}(cl(\text{int}_\theta(A \cap \text{int}_\theta(A)))) \\ &= \text{int}(cl(\text{int}_\theta(A))) \\ &= A \cap \text{int}(cl(\text{int}_\theta(A))) \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\text{int}(cl(\text{int}_\theta(A \cap \text{int}(cl(\text{int}_\theta(A))))) \supseteq A \cap \text{int}(cl(\text{int}_\theta(A)))$ . This implies that,  $A \cap \text{int}(cl(\text{int}_\theta(A)))$  is an  $M^*$ -open set contained in  $A$ . Hence,  $A \cap \text{int}(cl(\text{int}_\theta(A))) \subseteq M^* \text{-int}(A)$ . Therefore  $M^* \text{-int}(A) = A \cap \text{int}(cl(\text{int}_\theta(A)))$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.9.** *For a subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ ,*

$$(1). A \text{ is an } M^* \text{-open set if and only if } A = M^* \text{-int}(A).$$

$$(2). A \text{ is an } M^* \text{-closed set if and only if } A = M^* \text{-cl}(A).$$

**Theorem 2.10.** *Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of a space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then the following are hold:*

$$(1). M^* \text{-cl}(X \setminus A) = X \setminus M^* \text{-int}(A)$$

$$(2). M^* \text{-int}(X \setminus A) = X \setminus M^* \text{-cl}(A)$$

$$(3). \text{ If } A \subseteq B \text{ then } M^* \text{-cl}(A) \subseteq M^* \text{-cl}(B) \text{ and } M^* \text{-int}(A) \subseteq M^* \text{-int}(B).$$

$$(4). M^* \text{-cl}(M^* \text{-cl}(A)) = M^* \text{-cl}(A) \text{ and } M^* \text{-int}(M^* \text{-int}(A)) = M^* \text{-int}(A).$$

$$(5). M^* \text{-cl}(A) \cup M^* \text{-cl}(B) \subseteq M^* \text{-cl}(A \cup B) \text{ and } M^* \text{-int}(A) \cup M^* \text{-int}(B) \subseteq M^* \text{-int}(A \cup B).$$

$$(6). M^* \text{-cl}(A) \cap M^* \text{-cl}(B) \supseteq M^* \text{-cl}(A \cap B) \text{ and } M^* \text{-int}(A) \cap M^* \text{-int}(B) \supseteq M^* \text{-int}(A \cap B).$$

*Proof.* (1). By Theorem 2.9,

$$\begin{aligned} M^* \text{-cl}(X \setminus A) &= (X \setminus A) \cup (cl(\text{int}(cl_\theta(X \setminus A)))) \\ &= (X \setminus A) \cup ((X \setminus \text{int}(cl(\text{int}_\theta(A)))) \\ &= X \setminus (A \cap \text{int}(cl(\text{int}_\theta(A)))) \\ &= X \setminus M^* \text{-int}(A) \end{aligned}$$

(2) and (3) follows from the definition.

(4). By Theorem 2.9(1),

$$\begin{aligned}
M^* - cl(M^* - cl(A)) &= cl(int(cl_\theta(M^* - cl(A))) \\
&= cl(int(cl_\theta(A \cup cl(int(cl_\theta(A))))) \\
&\subseteq cl(int(cl_\theta(A) \cup cl_\theta(int(cl_\theta(A)))) \\
&\subseteq cl(int(cl_\theta(A))) \\
&\subseteq M^* - cl(A)
\end{aligned}$$

But  $M^* - cl(A) \subseteq M^* - cl(M^* - cl(A))$ .

Hence  $M^* - cl(A) = M^* - cl(M^* - cl(A))$ .

(5). By Theorem 2.9(2),

$$\begin{aligned}
M^* - cl(A) \cup M^* - cl(B) &= (A \cup cl(int(cl_\theta(A))) \cup (B \cup cl(int(cl_\theta(B)))) \\
&= (A \cup B) \cup (cl(int(cl_\theta(A))) \cup cl(int(cl_\theta(B)))) \\
&= (A \cup B) \cup cl(int(cl_\theta(A \cup B))) \\
&= M^* - cl(A \cup B)
\end{aligned}$$

(6). By Theorem 2.9(2),

$$\begin{aligned}
M^* - int(A \cap B) &= (A \cap B) \cap int(cl(int_\theta(A \cap B))) \\
&= (A \cap B) \cap int(cl(int_\theta(A) \cap int_\theta(B))) \\
&\subseteq (A \cap int(cl(int_\theta(A)))) \cap (B \cap int(cl(int_\theta(B)))) \\
&= M^* - int(A) \cap M^* - int(B)
\end{aligned}$$

□

**Lemma 2.11.** *Let  $A$  be a subset of a space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then,*

(1).  $M^* - cl(A) = A \cup sint_\theta(cl_\theta(A))$

(2).  $M^* - int(A) = A \cap scl_\theta(int_\theta(A))$

*Proof.* (1). From lemma 1.6(4),  $A \cup sint_\theta(cl_\theta(A)) = A \cup (cl(int(cl_\theta(A)))) = M^* - cl(A)$

(2). From Lemma 1.6(3),  $A \cap scl_\theta(int_\theta(A)) = A \cap (int(cl(int_\theta(A)))) = M^* - int(A)$

□

**Theorem 2.12.** *The following are equivalent for a subset  $A$  of  $(X, \tau)$ :*

(1).  $A$  is an  $M^*$ -open set.

(2).  $A \subseteq scl_\theta(int_\theta(A))$

(3).  $scl_\theta(A) = scl_\theta(int_\theta(A))$

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): Let  $A$  be an  $M^*$ -open set. Then by Theorem 2.10,  $A = M^*\text{-int}(A)$ . By lemma 2.12,  $A = A \cap scl_\theta(int_\theta(A)) \subseteq scl_\theta(int_\theta(A))$ . Hence  $A \subseteq scl_\theta(int_\theta(A))$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Let  $A \subseteq scl_\theta(int_\theta(A))$ . This implies that  $A \subseteq A \cap scl_\theta(int_\theta(A)) = M^*\text{-int}(A)$ . Hence  $A \subseteq M^*\text{-int}(A)$  and hence  $A = M^*\text{-int}(A)$  and  $M^*$ -open.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3): Let  $A \subseteq scl_\theta(int_\theta(A))$ . Then  $scl_\theta(A) \subseteq scl_\theta(int_\theta(A))$ . But  $int_\theta(A) \subseteq A$ . Hence  $scl_\theta(int_\theta(A)) \subseteq scl_\theta(A)$ . Hence  $scl_\theta(A) = scl_\theta(int_\theta(A))$ .

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): Let  $scl_\theta(A) = scl_\theta(int_\theta(A))$ . Then  $scl_\theta(A) \subseteq scl_\theta(int_\theta(A))$ . But  $A \subseteq scl_\theta(A)$ . And therefore  $A \subseteq scl_\theta(int_\theta(A))$ . □

**Theorem 2.13.** *Let  $A$  be a subset of a space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then the following are equivalent:*

(1).  $A$  is an  $M^*$ -closed set.

(2).  $A \supseteq sint_\theta(cl_\theta(A))$

(3).  $sint_\theta(A) = sint_\theta(cl_\theta(A))$

**Definition 2.14.** *A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be locally  $M^*$ -closed if  $A = U \cap F$  for each  $U \in \tau$  and  $F \in M^*C(X)$ .*

**Theorem 2.15.** *Let  $H$  be a subset of a space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $H$  is locally  $M^*$ -closed if and only if  $H = U \cap M^*\text{-cl}(H)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $H$  be an locally  $M^*$ -closed set. Then  $H = U \cap F$  for each  $U \in \tau$  and  $F \in M^*C(X)$ . Hence  $H \subseteq M^*\text{-cl}(H) \subseteq M^*\text{-cl}(F) = F$ . Thus  $U \cap H \subseteq U \cap M^*\text{-cl}(H) \subseteq U \cap M^*\text{-cl}(F) = H$ . This implies that  $H \subseteq U \cap M^*\text{-cl}(H) \subseteq U \cap M^*\text{-cl}(F) = H$ . Hence  $H = U \cap M^*\text{-cl}(H)$

Converse is obvious, since  $M^*\text{-cl}(H) \in M^*C(X)$ . □

**Theorem 2.16.** *Let  $A$  be a locally  $M^*$ -closed subset of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then the following are hold:*

(1).  $M^*\text{-cl}(A) \setminus A$  is an  $M^*$ -closed set.

(2).  $(A \cup (X \setminus M^*\text{-cl}(A)))$  is an  $M^*$ -open set.

(3).  $A \subseteq M^*\text{-int}(A \cup (X \setminus M^*\text{-cl}(A)))$ .

**Definition 2.17.** *Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $A \subseteq X$ . Then the  $M^*$ -boundary of  $A$  (Briefly  $M^*\text{-b}(A)$ ) is given by  $M^*\text{-b}(A) = M^*\text{-cl}(A) \cap M^*\text{-cl}(X \setminus A)$ .*

**Theorem 2.18.** *If  $A$  is a subset of a space  $(X, \tau)$  then the following statements hold:*

(1).  $M^*\text{-b}(A) = M^*\text{-b}(X \setminus A)$

(2).  $M^*\text{-b}(A) = M^*\text{-cl}(A) \setminus M^*\text{-int}(A)$

(3).  $M^*\text{-b}(A) \cap M^*\text{-int}(A) = \phi$

(4).  $M^*\text{-b}(A) \cup M^*\text{-int}(A) = M^*\text{-cl}(A)$

**Definition 2.19.** *Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $A \subseteq X$ . Then the set  $X \setminus M^*\text{-cl}(A)$  is called the  $M^*$ -exterior of  $A$  and is denoted by  $M^*\text{-ext}(A)$ . Each point  $p \in X$  is called an  $M^*$ -exterior point of  $A$  if it is a  $M^*$ -interior point of  $X \setminus A$ .*

**Theorem 2.20.** *If  $A$  and  $B$  are two subsets of a space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then the following statements hold:*

- (1).  $M^*ext(A) = M^*int(X \setminus A)$
- (2).  $M^*ext(A) \cap M^*b(A) = \phi$
- (3).  $M^*ext(A) \cup M^*b(A) = M^*cl(X \setminus A)$
- (4).  $\{M^*int(A), M^*b(A), \text{and } M^*ext(A)\}$  form a partition of  $X$
- (5). If  $A \subseteq B$  then  $M^*ext(B) \subseteq M^*ext(A)$
- (6).  $M^*ext(A \cup B) \subseteq M^*ext(A) \cup M^*ext(B)$
- (7).  $M^*ext(A \cap B) \supseteq M^*ext(A) \cap M^*ext(B)$
- (8).  $M^*ext(\phi) = X$  and  $M^*ext(X) = \phi$

**Definition 2.21.** *If  $A$  is a subset of a space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then a point  $x \in X$  is called  $M^*$ -limit point of a set  $A \subseteq X$  if every  $M^*$ -open set  $G \subseteq X$  containing  $x$  contains a point other than  $x$ .*

**Definition 2.22.** *The set of all  $M^*$ -limit points of  $A$  is called  $M^*$ -derived set of  $A$  and is denoted by  $M^*d(A)$ .*

**Theorem 2.23.** *If  $A$  and  $B$  are two subsets of a space  $X$ . Then the following statements hold:*

- (1). If  $A \subseteq B$  then  $M^*d(A) \subseteq M^*d(B)$ .
- (2).  $A$  is an  $M^*$ -closed set if and only if it contains each of its limit points.
- (3).  $M^*cl(A) = A \cup M^*d(A)$ .

**Definition 2.24.** *A subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be a  $M^*$ -neighbourhood (Briefly  $M^*$ -nbd) of a point  $p \in X$  if there exists an  $M^*$ -open set  $W$  such that  $p \in W \subseteq A$ . The class of  $M^*$ -neighbourhoods of  $p \in X$  is called the  $M^*$ -neighbourhood system of  $p$  and denoted by  $M^*N_p$ .*

**Theorem 2.25.** *A subset  $G$  of a space  $X$  is  $M^*$ -open if and only if it is  $M^*$ -nbd for every point  $p \in G$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $G$  be an  $M^*$ -open set. Then  $G$  is a  $M^*$ -nbd for each  $p \in G$ . Conversely let  $G$  be an  $M^*$ -nbd for each  $p \in G$ . Then there exists an  $M^*$ -open set  $W_p$  containing  $p$  such that  $p \in W_p \subseteq G$ . So  $G = \cup_{p \in G} W_p$ . Therefore  $G$  is an  $M^*$ -open set. □

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