

# $\psi^*$ Closed Sets in Topological Spaces

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**Abstract:** In this paper, we introduce a new class of sets called  $\psi^*$  closed sets and  $\psi^*$  open sets in topological spaces and study some of their properties.

**Keywords:**  $\psi^*$  closed set,  $\psi^*$  open set.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

In 1970, Levine [6] introduced the concept of generalized closed sets as a generalization of closed sets in topological spaces. Using generalized closed sets, Dunham [5] introduced the concept of the closure operator  $cl^*$  and studied some of their properties. S.P.Arya [5], P.Bhattacharyya and B.K.Lahiri [3], J.Dontchev [4], H.Maki, R.Devi and K.Balachandran [9], [10], P.Sundaram and A.Pushpalatha [12], A.S.Mashhour M.E.Abd El-Monsef and S.N. El-Deeb [11], D.Andrijevic [1], and S.N.Maheswari and P.C.Jain [9] introduced and investigated generalized semi closed sets, Semi generalized closed sets, generalized semi preclosed sets,  $\alpha$ -generalized closed sets, generalized  $\alpha$ -closed sets, strongly generalized closed sets, pre closed sets, semi preclosed sets,  $\alpha$ -closed sets respectively. In this paper, we obtain a new generalization of closed sets in the weaker topological space  $(X, \tau^*)$

Throughout this paper  $X$  and  $Y$  are topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed unless otherwise explicitly stated. For a subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$ ,  $int(A)$ ,  $cl(A)$ ,  $cl^*(A)$ ,  $scl(A)$ ,  $spcl(A)$ ,  $\alpha cl(A)$  and  $A^c$  denote the interior, closure, closure\*, semi closure, semi preclosure,  $\alpha$  closure and complement of  $A$  respectively.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

We recall the following definitions:

**Definition 2.1 [6]:** Let  $A$  subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called a generalized closed set ( $g$ -closed) if  $cl(A) \subseteq U$ , whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $X$ .

**Definition 2.2 [3]:** Let  $A$  subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called a semi-generalized closed ( $sg$ -closed) if  $scl(A) \subseteq U$ , whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is semiopen in  $X$ .

**Definition 2.3 [2]:** Let  $A$  subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called a generalized semi closed ( $gs$ -closed) if  $scl(A) \subseteq U$ , whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $X$ .

**Definition 2.4 [8]:** Let  $A$  subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called an  $\alpha$  open set if  $\alpha$  closed set if  $cl(int(cl(A))) \subseteq A$ .

**Definition 2.5 [9]:** Let  $A$  subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called a  $\alpha$ -generalized closed ( $\alpha g$ -closed) if  $\alpha cl(A) \subseteq U$ , whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $X$ .

**Definition 2.6 [10]:** Let  $A$  subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called a generalized  $\alpha$  closed ( $g\alpha$ -closed) if  $\alpha cl(A) \subseteq U$ , whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\alpha$  open in  $X$ .

**Definition 2.7 [2]:** Let  $A$  subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called a generalized semi preclosed set ( $gsp$ -closed) if  $spcl(A) \subseteq U$ , whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $X$ .

**Definition 2.8 [12]:** Let  $A$  subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called a strongly generalized closed set (strongly  $g$  closed) if  $cl(A) \subseteq U$ , whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $g$ - open in  $X$ .

**Definition 2.9 [11]:** Let  $A$  subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called a preclosed set if  $cl(int(A)) \subseteq A$ .

**Definition 2.10 [7]:** Let  $A$  subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called a semiclosed set if  $int(cl(A)) \subseteq A$ .

**Definition 2.11 [1]:** Let  $A$  subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called a semi preclosed set ( $\beta$  closed) if  $int(cl(int(A))) \subseteq A$ .

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

**Definition 2.12:** For the subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$ , the generalized closure operator  $cl^*$  [5] is defined by the intersection of all  $g$  closed sets containing  $A$ .

**Definition 2.13:** For the subset  $A$  of a topological space

(i) The semi closure of (briefly  $scl(A)$ )[7] is defined as the intersection of all semi closed sets containing A

(i) The semi preclosure of A (briefly  $spcl(A)$ )[1] is defined as the intersection of all semi preclosed sets containing A

(i) The  $\alpha$  closure of A (briefly  $\alpha cl(A)$ )[8] is defined as the intersection of all  $\alpha$  closed sets containing A

### 3. $\Psi^*$ CLOSED SETS IN TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

In this section, we introduce the concept of  $\Psi^*$  closed sets in topological spaces

**Definition 3.1 :** A subset A of a topological space X is called  $\Psi^*$  closed set if  $cl^*(A) \subseteq G$  whenever  $A \subseteq G$  and G is sg open. The complement of  $\Psi^*$  closed set is called the  $\Psi^*$  open .

**Theorem 3.2 :** Every closed set in X is  $\Psi^*$  closed

**Proof :** Let A be a closed set. Let  $A \subseteq G$  where G is sg open. Since A is closed.  $Cl(A) = A$ . but  $cl^*(A) \subseteq cl(A)$  . Thus we have  $cl^*(A) \subseteq G$  whenever  $A \subseteq G$  and G is sg open.

Therefore A is  $\Psi^*$  closed.

**Theorem 3.3 :** Every g-closed set in X is a  $\Psi^*$  closed set but not conversely

**Proof :** Let A be a g-closed set. Assume that  $A \subseteq G$  and G is sg open. Then  $cl(A) \subseteq G$  , since A is g-closed. But  $cl^*(A) \subseteq cl(A)$ . Therefore  $cl^*(A) \subseteq G$ . Hence A is  $\Psi^*$  closed.

The converse of the above theorem need not be true as seen from the following example

**Example 3.4 :** Consider the topological space  $X = \{a,b,c\}$  with topology  $\tau = \{ \phi, \{a\}, X\}$ . Then the set is  $\Psi^*$  closed but not g-closed.

**Remark 3.5:** The following example shows that is  $\Psi^*$  closed sets are independent from sp-closed set, sg-closed set,  $\alpha$ -closed set, pre closed set, gs-closed set, gsp-closed set,  $\alpha g$ -closed, and  $g\alpha$ -closed set.

**Example 3.6 :** Let  $X = \{a,b,c\}$  be a topological space

- (i) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{ \phi, \{a\}, X\}$ . Then the sets  $\{a\}$ ,  $\{a,b\}$  and  $\{a,c\}$  are  $\Psi^*$  closed but not sp-closed.
- (ii) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{ \phi, \{a,b\}, X\}$ . Then the sets  $\{a\}$  and  $\{b\}$  are sp closed but not  $\Psi^*$  closed

(iii) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{ \phi, X\}$ . Then the sets  $\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a,b\}, \{b,c\}$  and  $\{a,c\}$  are  $\Psi^*$  closed but not sg closed

(iv) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{ \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a,b\}, X\}$ . Then the sets  $\{a\}$ , and  $\{b\}$  are sg-closed but not  $\Psi^*$  closed

(v) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{ \phi, \{a\}, X\}$ . Then the sets  $\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a,b\}$  and  $\{a,c\}$  are  $\Psi^*$  closed but not  $\alpha$ -closed

(vi) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{ \phi, \{a\}, \{a,b\}, X\}$ . Then the set  $\{b\}$  is  $\alpha$ -closed but not  $\Psi^*$  closed.

(vii) Consider the topology  $\tau = C\{ \phi, \{a\}, X\}$ . Then the sets  $\{a\}$ ,  $\{a,b\}$  and  $\{a,c\}$  are  $\Psi^*$  closed but not pre-closed

(viii) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{ \phi, \{b\}, \{a,b\}, X\}$ . Then the set  $\{a\}$  is pre closed but not  $\Psi^*$  closed.

(ix) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{ \phi, X\}$ . Then the sets  $\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a,b\}$  and  $\{a,c\}$  are  $\Psi^*$  closed but not gs-closed

(x) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{ \phi, \{b\}, \{a,b\}, X\}$ . Then the set  $\{a\}$  is gs closed but not  $\Psi^*$  Closed

(xi) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{ \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a,b\}, X\}$ . Then the sets  $\{b\}$  and  $\{a,b\}$  are gsp closed but not  $\Psi^*$  closed

(xii) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{ \phi, \{a\}, X\}$ . Then the sets  $\{a\}$ ,  $\{a,b\}$  and  $\{a,c\}$  are  $\Psi^*$  closed but not gsp closed

(xiii) Consider the topology  $\tau = C\{ \phi, \{a\}, X\}$ . then the set  $\{a\}$  is  $\Psi^*$  closed but not  $\alpha g$ -Closed

(xiv) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{ \phi, \{b\}, \{a,b\}, X\}$ . Then the sets  $\{a\}$  is  $\alpha g$ -closed but not  $\Psi^*$  Closed

(xv) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{ \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a,b\}, \{a,c\}, X\}$ . Then the set  $\{b\}$  is  $\Psi^*$  closed but not is  $g\alpha$ -closed

(xvi) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{ \phi, \{b\}, \{a,b\}, X\}$ . Then the sets  $\{a\}$  is g  $\alpha$ -closed but not  $\Psi^*$  closed

**Theorem 3.7:** Union of two  $\psi^*$  closed sets in  $X$  is a  $\psi^*$  closed set in  $X$

**Proof :** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two  $\psi^*$  closed sets . Let  $A \cup B \subseteq G$ , where  $G$  is sg-open. Since  $A$  and  $b$  are  $\psi^*$  closed sets,  $cl^*(A) \cup cl^*(B) \subseteq G$ . But we know  $cl^*(A) \cup cl^*(B) = cl^*(A \cup B)$ . Therefore  $cl^*(A \cup B) \subseteq G$ . Hence  $A \cup B$  is a  $\psi^*$  closed set.

**Theorem 3.8 :** A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is  $\psi^*$  closed if and only if  $cl^*(A) - A$  contains no non empty sg closed set in  $X$ .

**Proof :** Let  $A$  be a  $\psi^*$  closed set. Suppose that  $F$  is a non empty sg closed subset of  $cl^*(A) - A$ .

Now  $F \subseteq cl^*(A) - A$ . Then  $F \subseteq cl^*(A) \cap A^c$ , since  $cl^*(A) - A = cl^*(A) \cap A^c$ . Therefore  $F \subseteq cl^*(A)$  and  $F \subseteq A^c$ . Since  $F^c$  is sg-open set and  $A$  is a  $\psi^*$  closed ,  $cl^*(A) \subseteq F^c$ . That is  $F \subseteq [cl^*(A)]^c$ . Hence  $F \subseteq cl^*(A) \cap [cl^*(A)]^c = \emptyset$ . That is  $F = \emptyset$  , a contradiction. Thus  $cl^*(A) - A$  contain no non empty sg closed set in  $X$ .

Conversely assume that  $cl^*(A) - A$  contain no non empty sg closed set in  $X$ . Let  $A \subseteq G$ ,  $G$  is sg-open. Suppose that  $cl^*(A)$  is not contained in  $G$  , then  $cl^*(A) \cap G^c$  is a non empty sg- closed set of  $cl^*(A) - A$  which is a contradiction. Therefore  $cl^*(A) \subseteq G$  and hence  $A$  is  $\psi^*$  closed.

**Corollary 3.9:** A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is  $\psi^*$  closed if and only if  $cl^*(A) - A$  contain no non empty closed set in  $X$ .

**Proof:** The proof follows from the theorem (3.8) and the fact that every closed set is sg closed set in  $X$ .

**Corollary 3.10 :** A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is  $\psi^*$  closed if and only if  $cl^*(A) - A$  contain no non empty open set in  $X$ .

**Proof:** The proof follows from the theorem (3.8) and the fact that every open set is sg-open set in  $X$ .

**Theorem 3.11:** Let  $A$  be a  $\psi^*$  closed in  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $A$  is  $g$  closed if and only if  $cl^*(A) - A$  is  $sg$  open

**Proof:** Suppose  $A$  is  $g$  closed in  $X$ . Then  $cl^*(A) = A$  and  $cl^*(A) - A = \emptyset$ , which is  $sg$  open in  $X$ . Conversely , suppose  $cl^*(A) - A$  is  $sg$  open in  $X$ . Since  $A$  is  $\psi^*$  closed, by the theorem 3.8,  $cl^*(A) - A$  contains no non empty  $\psi^*$  closed set in  $X$ . Then  $cl^*(A) - A = \emptyset$ . Hence  $A$  is  $g$  closed.

**Theorem 3.12:** For  $x \in X$ . The set  $X - \{x\}$  is  $\psi^*$  closed or  $sg$  open.

**Proof:** Suppose  $X - \{x\}$  is not  $sg$  open. Then  $X$  is the only  $sg$  open set containing  $X - \{x\}$  . This implies  $cl^*(X - \{x\}) \subseteq X$ . Hence  $X - \{x\}$  is a  $\psi^*$  closed in  $X$ .

**Remark 3.17:** From the above discussion, we obtain the following implications

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