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### $\tau^*$ - GENERALIZED SEMICLOSED SETS IN TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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#### ABSTRACT

In this paper, we introduce a new class of sets called  $\tau^*$ -generalized semiclosed sets and  $\tau^*$ -generalized semiopen sets in topological spaces and study some of their properties.

**KEYWORDS:**  $\tau^*$  – *gs closed set*,  $\tau^*$  – *gs open set*

#### 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 a new topology  $\tau^*$  and studied some of their properties. S.P.Arya[2], 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-Monsof and S.N.E1-Deeb[11], D.Andrijevic[1] and S.M.Maheshwari and P.C.Jain[9], Ivan Reilly [13], A.Pushpalatha, S.Eswaran and P.RajaRubi [14] 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, preclosed sets, semi-preclosed sets and  $\alpha$  –closed sets, generalized preclosed sets and  $\tau^*$ -generalized closed sets respectively. In this paper, we obtain a new generalization of preclosed 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  $X$ ,  $int(A)$ ,  $cl(A)$ ,  $cl^*(A)$ ,  $scl(A)$ ,  $spcl(A)$ ,  $cl_\alpha(A)$ ,  $cl_p(A)$  and  $A^c$  denote the interior, closure, *closure\**, semi-closure, semi-preclosure,  $\alpha$ -closure, preclosure and complement of  $A$  respectively.

#### PRELIMINARIES

We recall the following definitions

##### Definition: 2.1

- A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called
- (i) Generalized closed (briefly *g-closed*)[6] if  $cl(A) \subseteq G$  whenever  $A \subseteq G$  and  $G$  is open in  $X$
  - (ii) Semi-generalized closed (briefly *sg-closed*)[3] if  $scl(A) \subseteq G$  whenever  $A \subseteq G$  and  $G$  is semi open in  $X$ .
  - (iii) Generalized semi-closed (briefly *gs-closed*)[2] if  $scl(A) \subseteq G$  whenever  $A \subseteq G$  and  $G$  is open in  $X$ .
  - (iv)  $\alpha$ -closed[8] if  $cl(int(cl(A))) \subseteq A$
  - (v)  $\alpha$ -generalized closed (briefly  *$\alpha$ g-closed*)[9] if  $cl_\alpha(A) \subseteq G$  whenever  $A \subseteq G$  and  $G$  is open in  $X$ .
  - (vi) Generalized  $\alpha$ -closed (briefly *ga-closed*)[10] if  $spcl(A) \subseteq G$  whenever  $A \subseteq G$  and  $G$  is open in  $X$ .

- (vii) Generalized semi-preclosed (briefly gsp-closed)[2] if  $scl(A) \subseteq G$  whenever  $A \subseteq G$  and  $G$  is open in  $X$ .
- (viii) Strongly generalized closed (briefly strongly g-closed)[12] if  $cl(A) \subseteq G$  whenever  $A \subseteq G$  and  $G$  is g-open in  $X$ .
- (ix) Preclosed[11] if  $cl(int(A)) \subseteq A$
- (x) Semi-closed[7] if  $int(cl(A)) \subseteq A$
- (xi) Semi-preclosed (briefly sp-closed)[1] if  $int(cl(int(A))) \subseteq A$ .
- (xii) Generalized preclosed (briefly gp-closed)[13] if  $cl_p A \subseteq G$  whenever  $A \subseteq G$  and  $G$  is open.

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

**Definition: 2.2**

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

**Definition: 2.3**

For the subset  $A$  of a topological  $X$ , the topology  $\tau^*$  is defined by  $\tau^* = \{G: cl^*(G^c) = G^c\}$ .

**Definition: 2.4**

For the subset  $A$  of a topological  $X$ ,

- (i) the semi-closure of  $A$  (*briefly scl(A)*)[7] is defined as the intersection of all semi-closed sets containing  $A$ .
- (ii) the semi-Pre closure of  $A$  (*briefly spcl(A)*)[1] is defined as the intersection of all semi-preclosed sets containing  $A$ .
- (iii) the  $\alpha$  - closure of  $A$  (*briefly cl $_{\alpha}$ (A)*)[8] is defined as the intersection of all  $\alpha$  - closed sets containing  $A$ .
- (iv) the preclosure of  $A$ , denoted by  $cl_p(A)$ [13], is the smallest preclosed set containing  $A$ .

**Definition: 2.5**

A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$  is called  $\tau^*$  generalized closed set (*briefly  $\tau^*$  - gclosed*)[14] if  $cl^*(A) \subseteq G$  whenever  $A \subseteq G$  and  $G$  is  $\tau^*$  - open. The complement of  $\tau^*$  - generalized closed set is called the  $\tau^*$  - generalized open set (*briefly  $\tau^*$  - gopen*).

**Definition: 2.6**

A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$  is called  $\tau^*$  - generalized preclosed (*briefly  $\tau^*$  - gp - closed*)[15] if  $cl^*(cl_p(A)) \subseteq G$  whenever  $A \subseteq G$  and  $G$  is  $\tau^*$  - generalized open. The complement of  $\tau^*$  - generalized preclosed set is called the  $\tau^*$  - generalized preopen set (*briefly  $\tau^*$  - gp - open*).

**$\tau^*$  - Generalized SEMICLOSED SETS IN TOPOLOGICAL SPACES**

In this section, we introduce the concept of  $\tau^*$ - generalized semiclosed sets in topological spaces.

**Definition: 3.1**

A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$  is called  $\tau^*$  - generalized semiclosed (*briefly  $\tau^*$  - gsclosed*) if  $cl^*(scl(A)) \subseteq G$  whenever  $A \subseteq G$  and  $G$  is  $\tau^*$  - open. The complement of  $\tau^*$  - generalized semiclosed set is called the  $\tau^*$  - generalized semiopen set (*briefly  $\tau^*$  - gsopen*).

**Example: 3.2**

Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and let  $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$ . Here  $(X, \tau^*)$  is  $\tau^*$ -generalized semiclosed

**Theorem: 3.3**

Every closed set in  $X$  is  $\tau^*$  - gsclosed.

**Proof:**

Let  $A$  be a closed set. Let  $A \subseteq G$ . Since  $A$  is closed,  $cl(A) = A \subseteq G$ . But  $cl^*(scl(A)) \subseteq cl(A)$ . Thus, we have  $cl^*(scl(A)) \subseteq G$  whenever  $A \subseteq G$  and  $G$  is  $\tau^*$  - open. Therefore  $A$  is  $\tau^*$  - gsclosed.

**Theorem: 3.4**

Every  $\tau^*$  - closed set in  $X$  is  $\tau^*$  - gsclosed.

**Proof:**

Let  $A$  be a  $\tau^*$ -closed set. Let  $A \subseteq G$  where  $G$  is  $\tau^*$ -open. Since  $A$  is  $\tau^*$ -closed,  $cl^*(scl(A)) = A \subseteq G$ . Thus, we have  $cl^*(scl(A)) \subseteq G$  whenever  $A \subseteq G$  and  $G$  is  $\tau^*$ -open. Therefore  $A$  is  $\tau^*$ -gsclosed.

**Theorem: 3.5**

Every g-closed set in  $X$  is a  $\tau^*$ -gsclosed set but not conversely.

**Proof:**

Let  $A$  be a g-closed set. Assume that  $A \subseteq G$ ,  $G$  is  $\tau^*$ -open in  $X$ . Then  $cl(A) \subseteq G$ , Since  $A$  is g-closed. But  $cl^*(scl(A)) \subseteq cl(A)$ . Therefore  $cl^*(scl(A)) \subseteq G$ . Hence  $A$  is  $\tau^*$ -gsclosed.

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

**Example: 3.6**

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

**Remark: 3.7**

The following example shows that  $\tau^*$ -gp-closed sets are independent from sp-closed, sg-closed set,  $\alpha$ -closed set, preclosed set, gs-closed set, gsp-closed set,  $\alpha g$ -closed set and  $g\alpha$ -closed set.

**Example: 3.8**

Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$  be the topological spaces.

- (i) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}\}$ . Then the sets  $\{a\}, \{a, b\}$  and  $\{a, c\}$  are  $\tau^*$ -gs-closed but not sp-closed.
- (ii) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a, b\}\}$ . Then the sets  $\{a\}$  and  $\{b\}$  are sp-closed but not  $\tau^*$ -gs-closed.
- (iii) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{X, \phi\}$ . Then the sets  $\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}$  and  $\{a, c\}$  are  $\tau^*$ -gs-closed but not sg-closed.
- (iv) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Then the sets  $\{a\}$  and  $\{b\}$  are sg-closed but not  $\tau^*$ -gs-closed.
- (v) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}\}$ . Then the sets  $\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}$  and  $\{a, c\}$  are  $\tau^*$ -gs-closed but not  $\alpha$ -closed.
- (vi) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Then the set  $\{b\}$  is  $\alpha$ -closed but not  $\tau^*$ -gs-closed.
- (vii) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}\}$ . Then the sets  $\{a\}, \{a, b\}$  and  $\{a, c\}$  are  $\tau^*$ -gs-closed but not preclosed.
- (viii) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Then the set  $\{a\}$  is pre-closed but not  $\tau^*$ -gs-closed.
- (ix) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{X, \phi\}$ . Then the sets  $\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}$  and  $\{a, c\}$  are  $\tau^*$ -gs-closed but not gs-closed.
- (x) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{Y, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}\}$ . Then the sets  $\{b\}, \{b, c\}$  and  $\{b, d\}$  are gs-closed but not  $\tau^*$ -gs-closed.
- (xi) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Then the sets  $\{b\}$  and  $\{a, b\}$  are gsp-closed but not  $\tau^*$ -gs-closed.
- (xii) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{Y, \phi, \{a\}\}$ . Then the set  $\{a\}$  is  $\tau^*$ -gs-closed but not gsp-closed.
- (xiii) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}\}$ . Then the set  $\{a\}$  is  $\tau^*$ -gs-closed but not  $\alpha g$ -closed.
- (xiv) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{Y, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}\}$ . Then the set  $\{b\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, d\}$  are  $\alpha g$ -closed but not  $\tau^*$ -gs-closed.
- (xv) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$ . Then the set  $\{b\}$  is  $\tau^*$ -gs-closed but not  $g\alpha$ -closed.
- (xvi) Consider the topology  $\tau = \{Y, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}\}$ . Then the set  $\{b\}, \{b, c\}$  and  $\{b, d\}$  are  $g\alpha$ -closed but not  $\tau^*$ -gs-closed.

**Theorem: 3.9**

For any two sets  $A$  and  $B$   $cl^*(scl(A \cup B)) = cl^*(scl(A)) \cup cl^*(scl(B))$

**Proof:**

Since  $A \subseteq A \cup B$ , we have  $cl^*(scl(A)) \subseteq cl^*(scl(A \cup B))$  and Since  $B \subseteq A \cup B$ , we have  $cl^*(scl(B)) \subseteq cl^*(scl(A \cup B))$ . Therefore  $cl^*(scl(A)) \cup cl^*(scl(B)) \subseteq cl^*(scl(A \cup B))$ . Also,  $cl^*(scl(A))$  and  $cl^*(scl(B))$  are the closed sets. Therefore  $cl^*(scl(A)) \cup cl^*(scl(B))$  is also a closed set. Again,  $A \subseteq cl^*(scl(A))$  and  $B \subseteq cl^*(scl(B))$ , Implies  $A \cup B \subseteq cl^*(scl(A)) \cup cl^*(scl(B))$ . Thus,  $cl^*(scl(A)) \cup cl^*(scl(B))$  is a closed set containing  $A \cup B$ . Since  $cl^*(scl(A \cup B))$  is the smallest closed set containing  $A \cup B$ . We have  $cl^*(scl(A \cup B)) \subseteq cl^*(scl(A)) \cup cl^*(scl(B))$ . Thus,  $cl^*(scl(A \cup B)) = cl^*(scl(A)) \cup cl^*(scl(B))$

**Theorem: 3.10**

Union of two  $\tau^*$  – *gsclosed* sets in  $X$  is a  $\tau^*$  – *gsclosed* set in  $X$ .

**Proof:**

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two  $\tau^*$  – *gsclosed* sets. Let  $A \cup B \subseteq G$ , where  $G$  is  $\tau^*$  – *open*. Since  $A$  and  $B$  are  $\tau^*$  – *gs* – *closed* sets,  $cl^*(scl(A)) \cup cl^*(scl(B)) \subseteq G$ . But by theorem 3.9  $cl^*(scl(A)) \cup cl^*(scl(B)) = cl^*(scl(A \cup B))$ . Therefore  $cl^*(scl(A \cup B)) \subseteq G$ . Hence  $A \cup B$  is a  $\tau^*$  – *gsclosed* set.

**Theorem: 3.11**

A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is  $\tau^*$  – *gsclosed* if and only if  $cl^*(scl(A)) - A$  contains no non-empty  $\tau^*$  – *closed* set in  $X$ .

**Proof:**

Let  $A$  be a  $\tau^*$  – *gsclosed* set. Suppose that  $F$  is a non-empty  $\tau^*$  – *closed* subset of  $cl^*(scl(A)) - A$ . Now,  $F \subseteq cl^*(scl(A)) - A$ . Then  $F \subseteq cl^*(scl(A)) \cap A^c$ , Since  $cl^*(scl(A)) - A = cl^*(scl(A)) \cap A^c$ . Therefore  $F \subseteq cl^*(scl(A))$  and  $F \subseteq A^c$ . Since  $F^c$  is a  $\tau^*$  – *open* set and  $A$  is a  $\tau^*$  – *gsclosed*,  $cl^*(scl(A)) \subseteq F^c$ . That is  $F \subseteq cl^*(scl(A)) \cap [cl^*(scl(A))]^c = \phi$ . That is  $F = \phi$ , a contradiction. Thus,  $cl^*(scl(A)) - A$  contain no non-empty  $\tau^*$  – *closed* set in  $X$ . Conversely, assume that  $cl^*(scl(A)) - A$  contains no non-empty  $\tau^*$  – *closed* set. Let  $A \subseteq G$ ,  $G$  is  $\tau^*$  – *open*. Suppose that  $cl^*(scl(A))$  is not contained in  $G$ . then  $cl^*(scl(A)) \cap G^c$  is a non-empty  $\tau^*$  – *closed* set of  $cl^*(scl(A)) - A$  which is a contradiction. Therefore,  $cl^*(scl(A)) - A \subseteq G$  and hence  $A$  is  $\tau^*$  – *gsclosed*.

**Corollary: 3.12**

A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is  $\tau^*$  – *gsclosed* if and only  $cl^*(scl(A)) - A$  contains no non-empty closed set in  $X$ .

**Proof:**

The proof follows from the theorem 3.11 and the fact that every closed set is  $\tau^*$  – *closed* set in  $X$ .

**Corollary: 3.13**

A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is  $\tau^*$  – *gs* – *closed* if and only if  $cl^*(scl(A)) - A$  contains no non-empty open set in  $X$ .

**Proof:**

The proof follows from the theorem 3.11 and the fact that every open set is  $\tau^*$  – *open* set in  $X$ .

**Theorem: 3.14**

If a subset  $A$  of  $X$  is  $\tau^*$  – *gsclosed* and  $A \subseteq B \subseteq cl^*(scl(A))$ , then  $B$  is  $\tau^*$  – *gsclosed* set in  $X$ .

**Proof:**

Let  $A$  be a  $\tau^*$  – *gsclosed* set such that  $A \subseteq B \subseteq cl^*(scl(A))$ . Let  $U$  be a  $\tau^*$  – *open* set of  $X$  such that  $B \subseteq U$ . Since  $A$  is  $\tau^*$  – *gsclosed*, we have  $cl^*(scl(A)) \subseteq U$ .

Now,  $cl^*(scl(A)) \subseteq cl^*(scl(B)) \subseteq cl^*(cl^*(scl(A))) = cl^*(scl(A)) \subseteq U$ .

That is  $cl^*(scl(B)) \subseteq U$ ,  $U$  is  $\tau^*$  – *open*.

Therefore  $B$  is  $\tau^*$  – *gsclosed* set in  $X$ .

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

**Example: 3.15**

Consider the topological space  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with topology  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Then  $A$  and  $B$  are  $\tau^*$  – *gsclosed* sets in  $(X, \tau)$ . But  $A \subseteq B$  is not a subset of  $cl^*(scl(A))$ .

**Theorem: 3.16**

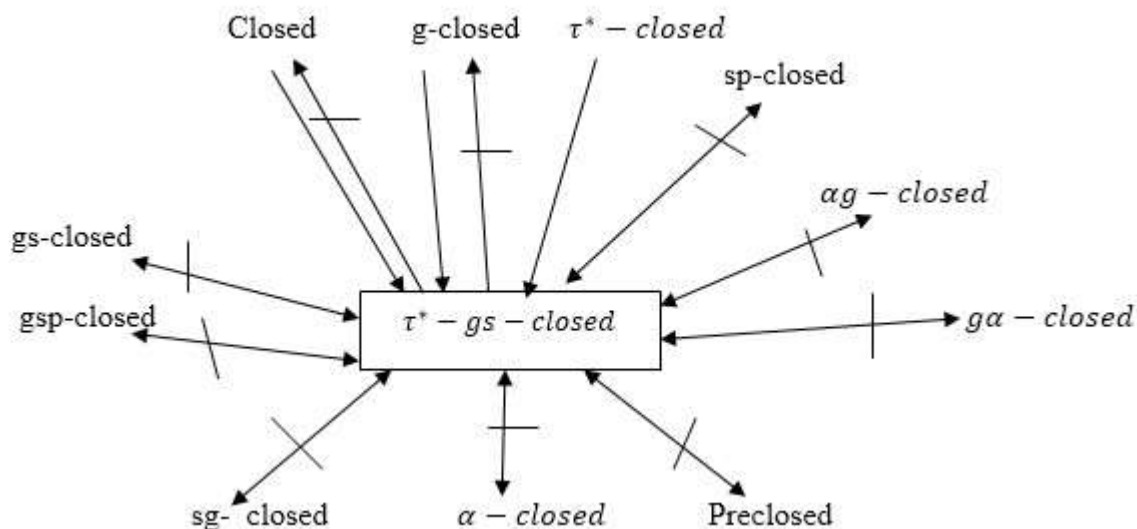
Let  $A$  be a  $\tau^*$  – *gsclosed* in  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $A$  is *g* – *closed* if and only if  $cl^*(scl(A)) - A$  is  $\tau^*$  – *open*.

**Proof:**

Suppose  $A$  is  $g$ -closed in  $X$ . Then,  $cl^*(scl(A)) = A$  and so  $cl^*(scl(A)) - A = \phi$  which is  $\tau^*$ -open in  $X$ . Conversely, suppose  $cl^*(scl(A)) - A$  is  $\tau^*$ -open in  $X$ . Since  $A$  is  $\tau^*$ - $g$ -closed, by the theorem 3.11,  $cl^*(scl(A)) - A$  contains no non-empty  $\tau^*$ -closed set in  $X$ . Then,  $cl^*(scl(A)) - A = \phi$ . Hence,  $A$  is  $g$ -closed.

**Remark 3.17**

From the above discussion, we obtain the following implications.



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