



ON Λ_{Bg} -CLOSED SETS IN TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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ABSTRACT

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1. INTRODUCTION:

In 1986, Maki [9] introduced the notion of Λ -sets in topological spaces. A Λ -set is a set A which is equal to its kernel (saturated set), i.e to the intersection of all open supersets of A. Arenas et al. [2] introduced and investigated the notion of λ -closed sets by involving Λ -sets and closed sets. Caldas et al. [4] introduced the notion of the λ -closure of a set by utilizing the notion of λ -open sets defined in [2]. Levine [7] introduced the notions of simply extended topological spaces. Abd El-Monsef et al. [1] introduced the notions of B-open sets and associated interior and closure operators on simply extended topological spaces.

In this paper, we introduce new classes of sets called Λ_{Bg} -closed sets and Λ_{Bg} -open sets in topological spaces. We also establish several properties of such sets. It turns out that Λ_{Bg} -closed sets and Λ_{Bg} -open sets are weaker forms of B-closed sets and B-open sets, respectively and stronger forms of Bg-closed sets and Bg-open sets, respectively.

2. PRELIMINARIES:

Throughout this paper, by (X, τ) and (Y, σ) (or X and Y) we always mean topological spaces. Let A be a subset of X. We denote the interior, the closure and the complement of a set A by $\text{int}(A)$, $\text{cl}(A)$ and $X \setminus A$ or A^c , respectively.

A subset A of a space (X, τ) is called λ -closed [2] if $A = L \cap D$, where L is a Λ -set and D is a closed set. The complement of λ -closed set is called λ -open. A subset A of a space (X, τ) is called semi-open [8] if $A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$. The complement of semi-open set is called semi-closed. The intersection of all semi-closed subsets of X containing A is called the semi-closure [5] of A and is denoted by $\text{scl}(A)$.

A subset A of a space (X, τ) is called preopen [10] if $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$. The complement of preopen set is called preclosed. The intersection of all preclosed subsets of X containing A is called the preclosure of A and is denoted by $\text{pcl}(A)$. The union of all preopen subsets of X contained in A is called the preinterior of A and is denoted by $\text{pint}(A)$. A subset A of a space (X, τ) is called regular open [13] if $A = \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$. The complement of regular open set is called regular closed.

Let X be a non empty set and Levine [7] defined $\tau(B) = \{ O \cup (O' \cap B) : O, O' \in \tau \}$ and called it simple extension of τ by B, where $B \notin \tau$. We recall the pair $(X, \tau(B))$ a simply extended topological spaces (briefly SETS). The elements of $\tau(B)$ are called B-open [1] sets and the complements are called B-closed sets [1]. The family of B-open sets of X forms a topology. In other words, we can say, A is closed set in $(X, \tau(B))$ or A is a B-closed set in (X, τ) . The B-closure of a subset S of X, denoted by $\text{Bcl}(S)$ [1], is the intersection of B-closed sets of X containing S and the B-interior of S, denoted by $\text{Bint}(S)$, is the union of B-open sets contained in S. A subset A of a space (X, τ) is called $B\lambda$ -closed [12] if $A = L \cap D$, where L is a Λ -set and D is a B-closed. The complement of $B\lambda$ -closed is called $B\lambda$ -open.

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The intersection of all $B\lambda$ -closed sets containing a subset A of X is called the $B\lambda$ -closure of A and is denoted by $cl_{B\lambda}(A)$. We denote the collection of all $B\lambda$ -open sets by $B\lambda O(X, \tau)$.

Let $\tau(B_x)$ and $\tau(B_y)$ be simple extension of topologies on X and Y respectively.

Lemma: 2.1[12] Let A_i ($i \in I$) be subsets of a topological space (X, τ) . The following properties hold:

- (i) If A_i is $B\lambda$ -closed for each $i \in I$, then $\cap_{i \in I} A_i$ is $B\lambda$ -closed.
- (ii) If A_i is $B\lambda$ -open for each $i \in I$, then $\cup_{i \in I} A_i$ is $B\lambda$ -open.

3. Λ_{Bg} - CLOSED SETS:

Definition: 3.1[1] A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is called B -generalized closed set (briefly Bg -closed) if $Bcl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is open in (X, τ) . B is Bg -open set of (X, τ) if and only if B^c is Bg -closed.

Definition: 3.2 A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is called Λ_{Bg} -closed if $Bcl(A) \subseteq U$ whenever $A \subseteq U$ and U is $B\lambda$ -open in (X, τ) .

Lemma: 3.3 For subsets A and A_i ($i \in I$) of a space (X, τ) , the following hold:

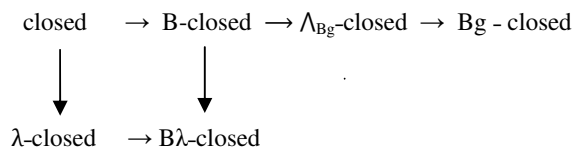
- (1) $B \subseteq \Lambda_{Bg}(B)$,
- (2) $A \subseteq B$, then $\Lambda_{Bg}(A) \subseteq \Lambda_{Bg}(B)$,
- (3) $\Lambda_{Bg}(\Lambda_{Bg}(B)) = \Lambda_{Bg}(B)$,
- (4) $\Lambda_{Bg}(A \cup B) = \Lambda_{Bg}(A) \cup \Lambda_{Bg}(B)$,
- (5) A is B -closed $\Leftrightarrow A = Bcl(A)$,
- (6) A is B -open $\Leftrightarrow A = Bint(A)$,
- (7) $\Lambda_{Bg}(\cap \{A_i : i \in I\}) \subseteq \cap \{\Lambda_{Bg}(A_i) : i \in I\}$,
- (8) $\Lambda_{Bg}(\cup \{A_i : i \in I\}) = \cup \{\Lambda_{Bg}(A_i) : i \in I\}$,

Remark: 3.4 Let $\{A_i : i \in I\}$ be a family of subsets of a space X . In general $\cap \{\Lambda_{Bg}(A_i) : i \in I\} \not\subseteq \Lambda_{Bg}(\cap \{A_i : i \in I\})$ and $A_i \neq \Lambda_{Bg}(A_i)$.

Example: 3.5 Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$ and $B = \{c\}$. Then $\tau(B_x) = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$. Let $A = \{a\}$ and $B = \{b\}$. Then $\Lambda_{Bg}(A \cap B) = \Lambda_{Bg}(\emptyset) = \emptyset$. Also, we have $\Lambda_{Bg}(A) = \{a, b\}$ and $\Lambda_{Bg}(B) = \{b\}$. Thus $\Lambda_{Bg}(A) \cap \Lambda_{Bg}(B) = \{b\} \not\subseteq \Lambda_{Bg}(A \cap B) = \emptyset$ and $A = \{a\} \neq \Lambda_{Bg}(A) = \{a, b\}$.

Remark: 3.6

We have the following implications.



None of these implications is reversible as shown in the following example.

Example: 3.7 Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a, d\}\}$ and $B = \{c\}$. Then $\tau(B_x) = \{\emptyset, X, \{c\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, c, d\}\}$.

- (1) Here $A = \{c\}$ is a B -closed set but it is not closed.
- (2) Here $A = \{a, b, c\}$ is a Λ_{Bg} -closed set but it is not B -closed.
- (3) Here $A = \{a, d\}$ is a Bg -closed set but it is not Λ_{Bg} -closed.
- (4) Here $A = \{a, c, d\}$ is $B\lambda$ -closed set but it is not B -closed.
- (5) Here $A = \{a, b, d\}$ is $B\lambda$ -closed set but it is not λ -closed.
- (6) λ -closed sets and B -closed sets are independent of each other. Here $A = \{a, d\}$ is λ -closed set but it is not B -closed and $A = \{b\}$ is B -closed set but it is not λ -closed.

Theorem: 3.8 The union of two Λ_{Bg} -closed sets is Λ_{Bg} -closed.

Proof: Let $A \cup B \subseteq U$, then $A \subseteq U$ and $B \subseteq U$ where U is $B\lambda$ -open. As A and B are Λ_{Bg} -closed $Bcl(A) \subseteq U$ and $Bcl(B) \subseteq U$. Hence $Bcl(A \cup B) = Bcl(A) \cup Bcl(B) \subseteq U$.

Remark: 3.9 The intersection of two Λ_{Bg} -closed sets need not be Λ_{Bg} -closed as can be verified from the following example.

Example: 3.10 Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, X\}$ and $B = \{a\}$. Then $\tau(B_x) = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}\}$. Here $A = \{a, b\}$ and $B = \{a, c\}$ are Λ_{Bg} -closed sets but $A \cap B = \{a\}$ is not Λ_{Bg} -closed set.

Theorem: 3.11 If a subset A of (X, τ) is Λ_{Bg} -closed, then $Bcl(A) \setminus A$ contains no non empty B-closed subset of (X, τ) .

Proof: Let F be a B-closed subset contained in $Bcl(A) \setminus A$. Clearly $A \subseteq F^c$ where A is Λ_{Bg} -closed and F^c is an B-open set of X . Thus $Bcl(A) \subseteq F^c$ or $F \subseteq [Bcl(A)]^c$. Then $F \subseteq [Bcl(A)]^c \cap (Bcl(A) \setminus A) \subseteq [Bcl(A)]^c \cap Bcl(A) = \emptyset$. This shows that $F = \emptyset$.

The converse of the above theorem is not true in general as it is shown in the following example.

Example: 3.12 Let $A = \{d\}$ from Example 3.7. Then $Bcl(A) \setminus A = \{a, b\}$ does not contain nonempty B-closed set. But A is not Λ_{Bg} -closed in (X, τ) .

Definition: 3.13 A topological space (X, τ) is called a BT_1 -space if to each pair of distinct points x, y of (X, τ) there exist a B-open set U containing x but not y and a B-open set V containing y but not x .

Theorem: 3.14 A topological space (X, τ) is a BT_1 -space if and only if every subset of X consisting of exactly one point is B-closed.

Proof: Let (X, τ) be a BT_1 -space and x be an arbitrary point of X . Then, we must show that $\{x\}$ is B-closed or equivalently that $(\{x\})^c$ is B-open. If $(\{x\})^c = \emptyset$, then it is clearly B-open. So, let $(\{x\})^c \neq \emptyset$ and let $y \in (\{x\})^c$. Then $y \neq x$. But, (X, τ) being a BT_1 -space there exist a B-open set G containing y but not x . Consequently, $y \in G \subseteq (\{x\})^c$. This shows that $(\{x\})^c$ is neighbourhood of each of its points and therefore, B-open. Hence, $\{x\}$ is B-closed.

Conversely, let (X, τ) be a topological space such that every subset of X consisting of exactly one point is B-closed. Let x and y be any two distinct points of X . Then, by hypothesis, $\{x\}$ as well as $\{y\}$ is B-closed. Consequently, $G = (\{x\})^c$ and $H = (\{y\})^c$ are B-open sets such that $y \in G$ but $x \notin G$ and $x \in H$ but $y \notin H$. Hence (X, τ) is a BT_1 -space.

Corollary: 3.15 In a BT_1 -space, every Λ_{Bg} -closed set is B-closed.

Proof: Let A be a Λ_{Bg} -closed set in a BT_1 -space (X, τ) . Let $x \in Bcl(A) \setminus A$. Since (X, τ) is BT_1 , $\{x\}$ is a B-closed set in (X, τ) . By Theorem 3.11, there exists no nonempty B-closed set in $Bcl(A) \setminus A$ and so $Bcl(A) \setminus A = \emptyset$. Therefore $Bcl(A) = A$, i.e., A is B-closed.

Theorem: 3.16 A set A is Λ_{Bg} -closed if and only if $Bcl(A) \setminus A$ contains no nonempty B λ -closed sets.

Proof: Necessity. Suppose that A is Λ_{Bg} -closed. Let S be a B λ -closed subset of $Bcl(A) \setminus A$. Then $A \subseteq S^c$. Since A is Λ_{Bg} -closed, we have $Bcl(A) \subseteq S^c$. Consequently $S \subseteq [Bcl(A)]^c$. Hence $S \subseteq Bcl(A) \cap [Bcl(A)]^c = \emptyset$. Therefore S is empty.

Sufficiency. Suppose that $Bcl(A) \setminus A$ contains no nonempty B λ -closed sets. Let $A \subseteq G$ and G be B λ -open. If $Bcl(A) \not\subseteq G$, then $Bcl(A) \cap G^c$ is a nonempty B λ -closed subset of $Bcl(A) \setminus A$. Therefore, A is Λ_{Bg} -closed.

Theorem: 3.17 If A is a Λ_{Bg} -closed set of (X, τ) and $A \subseteq B \subseteq Bcl(A)$, then B is a Λ_{Bg} -closed set of (X, τ) .

Proof: Since $B \subseteq Bcl(A)$, we have $Bcl(B) \subseteq Bcl(A)$. Hence $(Bcl(B) \setminus B) \subseteq (Bcl(A) \setminus A)$. But by Theorem 3.16 $Bcl(A) \setminus A$ contains no nonempty B λ -closed subsets of X and hence $Bcl(B) \setminus B$ does not contain B λ -closed sets. Again by Theorem 3.16, B is Λ_{Bg} -closed.

Theorem: 3.18 If A is a B λ -open and Λ_{Bg} -closed set in (X, τ) , then A is B-closed in (X, τ) .

Proof: Since A is B λ -open and Λ_{Bg} -closed, $Bcl(A) \subseteq A$ and hence A is B-closed in (X, τ) .

Theorem: 3.19 For each $x \in X$, either $\{x\}$ is B λ -closed or $\{x\}^c$ is Λ_{Bg} -closed in (X, τ) .

Proof: Suppose $\{x\}$ is not B λ -closed in (X, τ) . Then $\{x\}^c$ is not B λ -open and the only B λ -open set containing $\{x\}^c$ is the space X itself. Therefore $Bcl(\{x\}^c) \subseteq X$ and so $\{x\}^c$ is Λ_{Bg} -closed in (X, τ) .

Theorem: 3.20 Let A be a Λ_{Bg} -closed set in (X, τ) . Then

- (1) If A is regular open, then $\text{pint}(A)$ and $\text{scl}(A)$ are also Λ_{Bg} -closed.
- (2) If A is regular closed, then $\text{pcl}(A)$ is also Λ_{Bg} -closed.

Proof:

- (1) Since A is regular open in (X, τ) , we have $\text{scl}(A) = A \cup \text{int}(\text{cl}(A)) = A$ and $\text{pint}(A) = A \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(A)) = A$. Thus $\text{scl}(A)$ and $\text{pint}(A)$ are Λ_{Bg} -closed in (X, τ) .
- (2) Let A be regular closed in (X, τ) . Then $\text{pcl}(A) = A \cup \text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) = A$. Thus $\text{pcl}(A)$ is Λ_{Bg} -closed in (X, τ) .

Definition: 3.21 A space X is said to be a B-normal space if for every pair of disjoint B-closed subsets A and B of X there exist B-open sets U, V such that $A \subseteq U$, $B \subseteq V$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$.

Remark: 3.22 If (X, τ) is a B-normal space and suppose that Y is a B_g -closed subset of X. Then $(Y, Y \cap \tau)$ is B-normal.

Proof: Let E and F be B-closed in X and suppose that $(Y \cap E) \cap (Y \cap F) = \emptyset$. Then $Y \subseteq (E \cap F)^c \in \tau$ and hence $\text{Bcl}(Y) \subseteq (E \cap F)^c$. Thus $(\text{Bcl}(Y) \cap E) \cap (\text{Bcl}(Y) \cap F) = \emptyset$. Since (X, τ) is B-normal, there exists disjoint B-open sets U and V such that $\text{Bcl}(Y) \cap E \subseteq U$ and $\text{Bcl}(Y) \cap F \subseteq V$. It follows then that $Y \cap E \subseteq U \cap Y$ and $Y \cap F \subseteq V \cap Y$.

Remark: 3.23 By Remark 3.6. every Λ_{Bg} -closed set of a B-normal space is B-normal.

Definition: 3.24. A subset S of X is said to be locally-B-closed if $S = U \cap F$, where U is B-open and F is B-closed in (X, τ) .

Theorem: 3.25. For a subset S of (X, τ) , the following are equivalent.

- (1) S is locally-B-closed.
- (2) $S = P \cap \text{Bcl}(S)$ for some B-open set P.
- (3) $\text{Bcl}(S) - S$ is B-closed.
- (4) $S \cup (X - \text{Bcl}(S))$ is B-open.
- (5) $S \subseteq \text{Bint}(S \cup (X - \text{Bcl}(S)))$.

Proof:

- (1) \rightarrow (2) $S = P \cap Q$ where P is B-open and Q is B-closed. $S \subset Q$ implies $\text{Bcl}(S) \subset Q$. So $S = P \cap Q \supset P \cap \text{Bcl}(S)$. And $S \subset P$ and $S \subset \text{Bcl}(S)$ implies $S \subset P \cap \text{Bcl}(S)$. Hence $S = P \cap \text{Bcl}(S)$.
- (2) \rightarrow (3) $\text{Bcl}(S) - S = \text{Bcl}(S) \cap (X - P)$ which is B-closed.
- (3) \rightarrow (4) $S \cup (X - \text{Bcl}(S)) = X - (\text{Bcl}(S) - S)$. Hence $S \cup (X - (\text{Bcl}(S)))$ is B-open.
- (4) \rightarrow (5) Since $S \cup (X - (\text{Bcl}(S)))$ is B-open, $S \subseteq \text{Bint}(S \cup (X - (\text{Bcl}(S))))$.
- (5) \rightarrow (6) $S \subseteq \text{Bint}(S \cup (X - (\text{Bcl}(S))))$ implies $S = \text{Bint}(S \cup (X - (\text{Bcl}(S)))) \cap \text{Bcl}(S)$.

Theorem: 3.26 Let A be locally-B-closed subset of (X, τ) . For the set A, the following properties are equivalent:

- (1) A is B-closed;
- (2) A is Λ_{Bg} -closed;
- (3) A is B_g -closed.

Proof: By Remark 3.6, it suffices to prove that (3) implies (1). By Theorem 3.25 $A \cup (\text{Bcl}(A))^c$ is B-open in (X, τ) since A is locally-B-closed. Now $A \cup (\text{Bcl}(A))^c$ is an B-open set of (X, τ) such that $A \subseteq A \cup (\text{Bcl}(A))^c$. Since A is B_g -closed, then $\text{Bcl}(A) \subseteq A \cup (\text{Bcl}(A))^c$. But $\text{Bcl}(A) \cap (\text{Bcl}(A))^c = \emptyset$. Thus we have $\text{Bcl}(A) \subseteq A$ and hence A is B-closed.

Definition: 3.27 A subset A in (X, τ) is said to be Λ_{Bg} -open in (X, τ) if and only if A^c is Λ_{Bg} -closed in (X, τ) .

Every B-open set in (X, τ) is Λ_{Bg} -open in (X, τ) but not conversely. It can be verified from the following example.

Example: 3.28 Let $A = \{a\}$ from Example 3.7. Then A is Λ_{Bg} -open set but it is not B-open in (X, τ) .

Theorem: 3.29 The intersection of two Λ_{Bg} -open sets is Λ_{Bg} -open.

Proof: This is obvious by Theorem 3.8.

Theorem: 3.30 A set A is Λ_{Bg} -open in (X, τ) if and only if $F \subseteq \text{Bint}(A)$ whenever F is $B\lambda$ -closed in (X, τ) and $F \subseteq A$.

Proof: Suppose that $F \subseteq \text{Bint}(A)$ whenever F is $B\lambda$ -closed and $F \subseteq A$. Let $A^c \subseteq G$, where G is $B\lambda$ -open. Hence $G^c \subseteq A$. By assumption $G^c \subseteq \text{Bint}(A)$ which implies that $(\text{Bint}(A))^c \subseteq G$, so $\text{Bcl}(A^c) \subseteq G$. Hence A^c is Λ_{B_g} -closed i.e., A is Λ_{B_g} -open.

Conversely, let A be Λ_{B_g} -open. Then A^c is Λ_{B_g} -closed. Also let F be a $B\lambda$ -closed set contained in A . Then F^c is $B\lambda$ -open. Therefore whenever $A^c \subseteq F^c$, $\text{Bcl}(A^c) \subseteq F^c$. This implies that $F \subseteq (\text{Bcl}(A^c))^c = \text{Bint}(A)$. Thus $F \subseteq \text{Bint}(A)$.

Theorem: 3.31 A set A is Λ_{B_g} -open in (X, τ) if and only if $G = X$ whenever G is $B\lambda$ -open and $\text{Bint}(A) \cup A^c \subseteq G$.

Proof: Let A be Λ_{B_g} -open, G $B\lambda$ -open and $\text{Bint}(A) \cup A^c \subseteq G$. This gives $G^c \subseteq (\text{Bint}(A))^c \cap (A^c)^c = (\text{Bint}(A))^c \setminus A^c = \text{Bcl}(A^c) \setminus A^c$. Since A^c is Λ_{B_g} -closed and G^c is $B\lambda$ -closed, by Theorem 3.16 it follows that $G^c = \emptyset$. Therefore $X = G$. Conversely, suppose that F is $B\lambda$ -closed and $F \subseteq A$. Then $\text{Bint}(A) \cup A^c \subseteq \text{Bint}(A) \cup F^c$. It follows that $\text{Bint}(A) \cup F^c = X$ and hence $F \subseteq \text{Bint}(A)$. Therefore A is Λ_{B_g} -open.

Theorem: 3.32 If $\text{Bint}(A) \subseteq B \subseteq A$ and A is Λ_{B_g} -open in (X, τ) , then B is Λ_{B_g} -open in (X, τ) .

Proof: Suppose $\text{Bint}(A) \subseteq B \subseteq A$ and A is Λ_{B_g} -open in (X, τ) . Then $A^c \subseteq B^c \subseteq \text{Bcl}(A^c)$ and A^c is Λ_{B_g} -closed. By Theorem 3.17, B is Λ_{B_g} -open in (X, τ) .

Theorem: 3.33. A set A is Λ_{B_g} -closed in (X, τ) if and only if $\text{Bcl}(A) \setminus A$ is Λ_{B_g} -open in (X, τ) .

Proof: Necessity. Suppose that A is Λ_{B_g} -closed in (X, τ) . Let $F \subseteq \text{Bcl}(A) \setminus A$, where F is $B\lambda$ -closed. By Theorem 3.16, $F = \emptyset$. Therefore $F \subseteq \text{Bint}(\text{Bcl}(A) \setminus A)$ and by Theorem 3.30, $\text{Bcl}(A) \setminus A$ is Λ_{B_g} -open in (X, τ) .

Sufficiency. Let $A \subseteq G$ where G is $B\lambda$ -open. Then $\text{Bcl}(A) \cap G^c \subseteq \text{Bcl}(A) \cap A^c = \text{Bcl}(A) \setminus A$. Since $\text{Bcl}(A) \cap G^c$ is $B\lambda$ -closed and $\text{Bcl}(A) \setminus A$ is Λ_{B_g} -open, by Theorem 3.30, we have $\text{Bcl}(A) \cap G^c \subseteq \text{Bint}(\text{Bcl}(A) \setminus A) = \emptyset$. Hence A is Λ_{B_g} -closed in (X, τ) .

Theorem: 3.34 For a subset $A \subseteq X$, the following properties are equivalent.

- (1) A is Λ_{B_g} -closed.
- (2) $\text{Bcl}(A) \setminus A$ contains no nonempty $B\lambda$ -closed set.
- (3) $\text{Bcl}(A) \setminus A$ is Λ_{B_g} -open.

Proof: This follows from Theorems 3.16 and 3.33.

Theorem: 3.35 A subset A in (X, τ) is Λ_{B_g} -closed if and only if $\text{cl}_{B\lambda}(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ for every $x \in \text{Bcl}(A)$.

Proof: Necessity. Suppose that $\text{cl}_{B\lambda}(\{x\}) \cap A = \emptyset$ for some $x \in \text{Bcl}(A)$. Then $X - \text{cl}_{B\lambda}(\{x\})$ is a $B\lambda$ -open set containing A . Furthermore, $x \in \text{Bcl}(A) - (X - \text{cl}_{B\lambda}(\{x\}))$ and hence $\text{Bcl}(A) \not\subseteq X - \text{cl}_{B\lambda}(\{x\})$. This shows that A is not Λ_{B_g} -closed.

Sufficiency. Suppose that A is not Λ_{B_g} -closed. There exists a $B\lambda$ -open set U containing A such that $\text{Bcl}(A) - U \neq \emptyset$. There exists $x \in \text{Bcl}(A)$ such that $x \notin U$; hence $\text{cl}_{B\lambda}(\{x\}) \cap U = \emptyset$. Therefore, $\text{cl}_{B\lambda}(\{x\}) \cap A = \emptyset$ for some $x \in \text{Bcl}(A)$.

4. FUNCTIONS:

Definition: 4.1 A function $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be

- (1) $B\lambda$ -irresolute if $f^{-1}(V)$ is $B\lambda$ -open in X for every $B\lambda$ -open set V of Y ,
- (2) $B\lambda$ -closed if $f(F)$ is $B\lambda$ -closed in Y for every $B\lambda$ -closed set F of X ,
- (3) B -continuous if $f^{-1}(V)$ is B -closed in X for every B -closed set V of Y .

Definition: 4.2 A map $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be B -closed if the image of every B -closed set in (X, τ) is B -closed set in (Y, σ) .

Theorem: 4.3 Let $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be $B\lambda$ -irresolute B -closed function. If A is Λ_{B_g} -closed in X , then $f(A)$ is Λ_{B_g} -closed in Y .

Proof: Let A be a Λ_{B_g} -closed set of X and V a $B\lambda$ -open set of Y containing $f(A)$. Since f is $B\lambda$ -irresolute, $f^{-1}(V)$ is $B\lambda$ -open in X and $A \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$. Since A is Λ_{B_g} -closed, $\text{Bcl}(A) \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$ and $f(\text{Bcl}(A)) \subseteq V$. Since f is B -closed, we obtain $\text{Bcl}(f(A)) \subseteq V$. This shows that $f(A)$ is Λ_{B_g} -closed in Y .

Lemma: 4.4 A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is $B\lambda$ -closed if and only if for each subset B of Y and each $U \in B\lambda O(X, \tau)$ containing $f^{-1}(B)$, there exists $V \in B\lambda O(Y, \sigma)$ such that $B \subset V$ and $f^{-1}(V) \subset U$.

Proof: Necessity. Suppose that f is $B\lambda$ -closed. Let $B \subset Y$ and $U \in B\lambda O(X, \tau)$ containing $f^{-1}(B)$. Put $V = Y - f(X - U)$. Then we obtain $V \in B\lambda O(Y, \sigma)$, $B \subset V$ and $f^{-1}(V) \subset U$.

Sufficiency. Let F be any $B\lambda$ -closed set of (X, τ) . Set $f(F) = B$, then $F \subset f^{-1}(B)$ and $f^{-1}(Y - B) \subset X - F \in B\lambda O(X, \tau)$. By hypothesis, there exists $V \in B\lambda O(Y, \sigma)$ such that $Y - B \subset V$ and $f^{-1}(V) \subset X - F$. Therefore we obtain $Y - V \subset B = f(F) \subset Y - V$. Hence $f(F) = Y - V$ and $f(F)$ is $B\lambda$ -closed in (Y, σ) . Therefore, f is $B\lambda$ -closed.

Theorem: 4.5 Let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a B -continuous $B\lambda$ -closed function. If B is a Λ_{Bg} -closed set of (Y, σ) , then $f^{-1}(B)$ is Λ_{Bg} -closed in (X, τ) .

Proof: Let B be a Λ_{Bg} -closed in (Y, σ) and U a $B\lambda$ -open set of (X, τ) containing $f^{-1}(B)$. Since f is $B\lambda$ -closed, by Lemma 4.4 there exists a $B\lambda$ -open set V of (Y, σ) such that $B \subset V$ and $f^{-1}(V) \subset U$. Since B is Λ_{Bg} -closed in (Y, σ) , $Bcl(B) \subset V$ and hence $f^{-1}(B) \subset f^{-1}(Bcl(B)) \subset f^{-1}(V) \subset U$. Since f is B -continuous, $f^{-1}(Bcl(B))$ is B -closed and hence $Bcl(f^{-1}(B)) \subset U$. This shows that $f^{-1}(B)$ is Λ_{Bg} -closed in (X, τ) .

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