

## Essential concepts of $pg^{**}$ - closed sets

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### ABSTRACT

In this paper we defined  $pg^{**}$ - neighbourhood,  $pg^{**}$ -closure,  $pg^{**}$ -interior and  $pg^{**}$ -boundary by means of  $pg^{**}$ -closed and  $pg^{**}$ -open sets and studied their properties. Further  $pg^{**}$ -multiplicative and  $pg^{**}$ -additive are also defined and implemented.

**Key words:**  $pg^{**}$ -multiplicative,  $pg^{**}$ -additive,  $pg^{**}$ -neighbourhood,  $pg^{**}$ -closure,  $pg^{**}$ -interior,  $pg^{**}$ -boundary.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Levine [3] introduced the class of  $g$ -closed sets in 1970. Veerakumar [7] introduced  $g^*$ -closed sets. P M Helen [5] introduced  $g^{**}$ -closed sets. A.S.Mashhour, M.E Abd El. Monsef and S.N.El. Deeb [4] introduced a new class of pre-open sets in 1982. We have already introduced  $pg^{**}$ -closed sets [6] and investigated their properties. The purpose of this paper is to introduce  $pg^{**}$ -multiplicative,  $pg^{**}$ -additive,  $pg^{**}$ -neighbourhood,  $pg^{**}$ -closure,  $pg^{**}$ -interior,  $pg^{**}$ -boundary and analyse their properties.

### 2. PRELIMINARIES

**Definition 2.1:** A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called a pre-open set [4] if  $A \subseteq \text{int}(cl(A))$  and a pre-closed set if  $cl(\text{int}(A)) \subseteq A$ .

**Definition 2.2:** A subset  $A$  of topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called

1. generalized closed set ( $g$ -closed) [3] if  $cl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
2.  $g^*$ -closed set [7] if  $cl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $g$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
3.  $g^{**}$ -closed set [5] if  $cl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $g^*$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
4.  $pg^{**}$ -closed set [6] if  $pcl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $g^*$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

### 3. Essential concepts of $pg^{**}$ - closed sets

If  $A$  and  $B$  are  $pg^{**}$ -closed subsets of  $(X, \tau)$ , then  $A \cup B$  is also a  $pg^{**}$ -closed set [6] and hence the finite union of  $pg^{**}$ -closed sets is  $pg^{**}$ -closed. Equivalently finite intersection of  $pg^{**}$ -open sets is open. But arbitrary union of  $pg^{**}$ -open sets need not be  $pg^{**}$ -open. Hence  $PG^{**}O(X, \tau)$  is not a topology. To make it a topology, we need the following definition.

**Definition 3.1:** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be  $pg^{**}$ -multiplicative (resp.  $pg^{**}$ -finitely multiplicative,  $pg^{**}$ -countably multiplicative) if arbitrary (resp. finite, countable) intersection of  $pg^{**}$ -closed sets is  $pg^{**}$ -closed. Equivalently arbitrary (resp. finite, countable) union of  $pg^{**}$ -open sets is  $pg^{**}$ -open.

**Remark 3.2:** In a  $pg^{**}$ -multiplicative space  $PG^{**}O(X, \tau)$  is a topology. For,

1.  $\emptyset$  and  $X$  are  $pg^{**}$ -open sets.
2. Arbitrary union of  $pg^{**}$ -open sets is  $pg^{**}$ -open.
3. Finite intersection of  $pg^{**}$ -open sets is  $pg^{**}$ -open.

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**Example 3.3:** An infinite set with cofinite topology is  $pg^{**}$ -multiplicative.

Consider  $\mathbb{R}$  with infinite cofinite topology. In this space, Let  $\{F_\alpha\}$  be an arbitrary collection of  $pg^{**}$ -closed sets. Therefore each  $F_\alpha$  is either finite or  $\varnothing$  or is all of  $X$ . Then  $\cap F_\alpha$  finite or  $\varnothing$  or  $X$  and hence arbitrary intersection of  $pg^{**}$ -closed sets is  $pg^{**}$ -closed. Therefore  $\mathbb{R}$  with infinite cofinite topology is a  $pg^{**}$ -multiplicative space.

**Definition 3.4:** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be  $pg^{**}$ -additive (resp.  $pg^{**}$ -countably additive) if arbitrary (resp. countable) union of  $pg^{**}$ -closed sets is  $pg^{**}$ -closed. Equivalently arbitrary (resp. countable) intersection of  $pg^{**}$ -open sets is  $pg^{**}$ -open.

**Example 3.5:** Consider  $\mathbb{R}$  with cofinite topology is not  $pg^{**}$ -countably additive and not  $pg^{**}$ -additive. Let  $A_n = \{-n, -(n-1), \dots, (n-1), n\}$  then  $A_n$ 's are  $pg^{**}$ -closed but  $\cup A_n = \mathbb{Z}$  is not  $pg^{**}$ -closed. Therefore  $\mathbb{R}$  with infinite cofinite topology is not  $pg^{**}$ -additive.

**Definition 3.6:** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be  $pg^{**}$ -discrete if every subset of  $X$  is  $pg^{**}$ -open. Equivalently every subset is  $pg^{**}$ -closed.

**Example 3.7:** All the discrete and indiscrete topological spaces are  $pg^{**}$ -discrete.

**Example 3.8:**  $\mathbb{R}$  with infinite cofinite topology is not  $pg^{**}$ -discrete.

**Definition 3.9:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $x \in X$ . Every  $pg^{**}$ -open set containing  $x$  is said to be a  $pg^{**}$ -neighbourhood of  $x$ . Differently a set  $U$  in  $X$  is said to be  $apg^{**}$ -neighbourhood of  $x$  if  $x \in G \subseteq U$  for some  $pg^{**}$ -open set  $G$  in  $X$ . The collection  $N_x$  of all  $pg^{**}$ -neighbourhoods of  $x$  is called the  $pg^{**}$ -neighbourhood system of  $x$ .

**Theorem 3.10:** Let  $A$  be a subset of a  $pg^{**}$ -multiplicative space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $A$  is  $pg^{**}$ -open if and only if  $A$  contains a  $pg^{**}$ -neighbourhood of each of its points.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be a  $pg^{**}$ -open set in  $(X, \tau)$  and  $x \in A$ . Then  $A$  is a  $pg^{**}$ -open set containing  $x$  and hence  $A$  is a  $pg^{**}$ -neighbourhood of  $x$ , contained in  $A$ . Conversely suppose  $A$  contains  $apg^{**}$ -neighbourhood of each of its points. For every  $x \in A$ , there exists a  $pg^{**}$ -neighbourhood  $G_x$  of  $x$  such that  $x \in G_x \subseteq A$  and hence  $\cup_x G_x \subseteq A$ . Let  $x \in A$ , then there exists  $apg^{**}$ -neighbourhood  $G_x$  such that  $x \in G_x$ . Therefore  $x \in \cup_x G_x$ . Hence  $A = \cup_x G_x$ . Since  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $pg^{**}$ -multiplicative space  $\cup_x G_x$  is  $pg^{**}$ -open, and hence  $A$  is  $pg^{**}$ -open.

**Theorem 3.11:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a  $pg^{**}$ -multiplicative space. If  $F$  is a  $pg^{**}$ -closed subset of  $X$  and  $x \in F^c$ , then there exists a  $pg^{**}$ -neighbourhood  $U$  of  $x$  such that  $U \cap F = \varnothing$ .

**Proof:** Let  $F$  be  $pg^{**}$ -closed subset of  $X$  and  $x \in F^c$ . Then  $F^c$  is  $pg^{**}$ -open set of  $X$ . Then by theorem (3.7)  $F^c$  contains a  $pg^{**}$ -neighbourhood of each of its points. Hence there exists  $apg^{**}$ -neighbourhood  $U$  of  $x$  such that  $U \subset F^c$ . Therefore  $U \cap F = \varnothing$ .

**Theorem 3.12:** Every neighbourhood  $U$  of  $x \in X$  is  $pg^{**}$ -neighbourhood of  $x$ .

**Proof:** Follows from every open set is  $pg^{**}$ -open.

**Remark 3.13:** In general a  $pg^{**}$ -neighbourhood  $U$  of  $x \in X$  need not be a neighbourhood of  $x$ , as seen from the following example.

**Example 3.14:** Let  $(X, \tau)$ , where  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\varnothing, X, \{a\}, \{a, c\}\}$  be a topological space.

Here  $pg^{**}O(X, \tau) = \{\varnothing, X, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}\}$ . The set  $\{a, b\}$  is a  $pg^{**}$ -neighbourhood of the point  $b \in X$ . However, the set  $\{a, b\}$  is not a neighbourhood of the point  $b$ .

**Definition 3.15:** Let  $A$  be a subset of  $(X, \tau)$ . A point  $x \in X$  is said to be  $pg^{**}$ -limit point or  $pg^{**}$ -cluster point or  $pg^{**}$ -accumulation point of  $A$  if every  $pg^{**}$ -neighbourhood of  $x$  contains a point of  $A$  other than  $x$ . Said differently,  $x$  is a  $pg^{**}$ -limit point of  $A$  if it belongs to the  $pg^{**}$ -closure of  $A - \{x\}$ . The set of all  $pg^{**}$ -limit point of  $A$  is called  $pg^{**}$ -derived set of  $A$  and is denoted by the symbol  $A'$ .

**Example 3.16:** Consider  $\mathbb{R}$  with infinite cofinite topology and the subset  $\mathbb{Q}$ .  $pg^{**}O(\mathbb{R}) = \{\varnothing, \mathbb{R}, \text{all infinite subsets}\}$ . Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  be arbitrary and  $U$ ,  $apg^{**}$ -neighbourhood of  $x$ . Then  $U$  is infinite and  $U$  contains a point of  $\mathbb{Q}$  other than  $x$ . Therefore  $x$  is a  $pg^{**}$ -limit point of  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

**Example 3.17:** Consider  $\mathbb{R}$  with discrete topology.  $PG^{**}O(\mathbb{R}) = \{ \text{all subsets} \}$ .

The set of all rationals  $\mathbb{Q}$  has no  $pg^{**}$ -limit point. Since for any  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\{x\}$  is  $pg^{**}$ -neighbourhood of  $x$  which contains no point of  $\mathbb{Q}$  other than  $x$ . In fact, in any set with discrete topology, no subset has a  $pg^{**}$ -limit point.

**Theorem 3.18:** If  $A$  and  $B$  are subsets of a space  $(X, \tau)$ , then  $A \subset B \implies A' \subset B'$ .

**Proof:** Let  $x \in A'$ . Then every  $pg^{**}$ -neighbourhood  $U$  of  $x$  contains a point  $y$  of  $A$  with  $y \neq x$ . Since  $A \subset B$ ,  $y \in B$ . Hence every  $pg^{**}$ -neighbourhood  $U$  of  $x$  contains a point  $y$  of  $B$  with  $y \neq x$ . Hence  $x \in B'$ . Therefore,  $A' \subset B'$ .

**Definition 3.19:** Let  $A$  be a subset of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ .  $A$  is said to be  $pg^{**}$ -perfect if  $A$  is  $pg^{**}$ -closed and every point of  $A$  is a  $pg^{**}$ -limit point of  $A$ .

**Definition 3.20:** Let  $A$  be a subset of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ .  $pg^{**}cl(A)$  is defined to be the intersection of all  $pg^{**}$ -closed sets containing  $A$ .

**Note:**

- (i) Since intersection of  $pg^{**}$ -closed sets need not be  $pg^{**}$ -closed,  $pg^{**}cl(A)$  need not be  $pg^{**}$ -closed. If  $A$  is  $pg^{**}$ -closed then  $pg^{**}cl(A) = A$ . But  $pg^{**}cl(A) = A$  need not imply  $A$  is  $pg^{**}$ -closed.
- (ii) If  $(X, \tau)$  is  $pg^{**}$ -multiplicative then  $pg^{**}cl(A) = A$  if and only if  $A$  is  $pg^{**}$ -closed.

**Theorem 3.21:** If  $A$  is a subset of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , then  $pg^{**}cl(A) \subset cl(A)$ .

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be a subset of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ .  $cl(A) = \bigcap \{F \subset X : A \subset F \in \mathcal{C}(X)\}$ . Since every closed set is  $pg^{**}$ -closed  $A \subset F \in \mathcal{C}(X)$ , implies  $A \subset F \in PG^{**}\mathcal{C}(X)$ . That is  $pg^{**}cl(A) \subset F$ . Therefore  $pg^{**}cl(A) \subset \bigcap \{F \subset X : A \subset F \in \mathcal{C}(X)\} = cl(A)$ . Hence  $pg^{**}cl(A) \subset cl(A)$ . The converse of the above Theorem need not be true in general as seen in the following example.

**Example 3.22:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with topology  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Let  $A = \{a\}$  where  $pg^{**}cl(A) = \{a, c\}$  and  $cl(A) = X$ . Hence  $pg^{**}cl(A) \neq cl(A)$ .

**Theorem 3.23:** For any  $x \in X$ ,  $x \in pg^{**}cl(A)$  if and only if  $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$  for every  $pg^{**}$ -open set  $U$  containing  $x$ .

**Proof:** Let  $x \in pg^{**}cl(A)$ . Suppose there exists a  $pg^{**}$ -open set  $U$  containing  $x$  such that  $A \cap U = \emptyset$ . Then  $A \subseteq X - U$ . Since  $X - U$  is  $pg^{**}$ -closed,  $pg^{**}cl(A) \subseteq X - U$ . This implies  $x \notin pg^{**}cl(A)$  which is a contradiction. Hence  $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$  for every  $pg^{**}$ -open set  $U$  containing  $x$ . Conversely, let  $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$  for every  $pg^{**}$ -open set  $U$  containing  $x$ . Suppose  $x \notin pg^{**}cl(A)$ , then there exists a  $pg^{**}$ -closed set  $F$  containing  $A$  such that  $x \notin F$ . Then  $x \in X - F$  and  $X - F$  is  $pg^{**}$ -open. Also  $(X - F) \cap A = \emptyset$  this is a contradiction to the hypothesis. Hence  $x \in pg^{**}cl(A)$ .

**Theorem 3.24:** Let  $A$  be a subset of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $pg^{**}cl(A) = A \cup A'$ .

**Proof:** Clearly  $A \subseteq pg^{**}cl(A)$ . Let  $x \in A'$  and suppose  $x \notin pg^{**}cl(A)$ , then there exists a  $pg^{**}$ -closed set  $F$  containing  $A$  such that  $x \notin F$ . Then  $x \in X - F$  and  $X - F$  is  $pg^{**}$ -open. Also  $(X - F) \cap (A - \{x\}) = \emptyset$  which is not true. Therefore  $x \in pg^{**}cl(A)$ . Therefore  $A \cup A' \subseteq pg^{**}cl(A)$ . Let  $x \in pg^{**}cl(A)$  and  $x \notin A$ . Suppose  $x \notin A'$  then there exists a  $pg^{**}$ -neighbourhood  $U$  of  $x$  such that  $A \cap U = \emptyset$ . Therefore  $A \subseteq X - U$  which is  $pg^{**}$ -closed containing  $A$  and  $x \notin X - U$ . which is a contradiction. Therefore  $pg^{**}cl(A) \subseteq A \cup A'$ . Hence  $pg^{**}cl(A) = A \cup A'$ .

**Theorem 3.25:** The subset  $A$  of  $pg^{**}$ -multiplicative space  $(X, \tau)$  is  $pg^{**}$ -closed if and only if  $A' \subseteq A$ .

**Proof:** By theorem (3.21)  $A$  is  $pg^{**}$ -closed if and only if  $A = A \cup A' \iff A' \subseteq A$ .

**Definition 3.26:** Let  $A$  be a subset of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $A$  is  $pg^{**}$ -dense in  $X$  if every point of  $X$  is a  $pg^{**}$ -limit point of  $A$  or a point of  $A$ .

**Definition 3.27:** A topological space having countable  $pg^{**}$ -dense subset is said to be  $pg^{**}$ -separable.

**Example 3.28:** In  $\mathbb{R}$  with cofinite topology  $\mathbb{Q}$  is  $pg^{**}$ -dense in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Also  $\mathbb{R}$  is  $pg^{**}$ -separable.

**Definition 3.29:** Let  $A$  be a subset of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ . A point  $x \in A$  is said to be  $pg^{**}$ -interior point of  $A$  if there exists a  $pg^{**}$ -open set  $U$  such that  $x \in U \subset A$ .

**Definition 3.30:** Let  $A$  be a subset of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ .  $pg^{**}int(A)$  is defined to be the union of all  $pg^{**}$ -open sets contained in  $A$ .

$$\text{Equivalently } pg^{**}int(A) = \bigcup \{ U : U \subseteq A, U \in PG^{**}O(X) \}.$$

**Example 3.31:**

- (1) Consider  $\mathbb{R}$  with discrete topology. Then  $\mathbb{Q}$  is  $pg^{**}$ -open and hence every point in  $\mathbb{Q}$  is a  $pg^{**}$ -interior point.
- (2) Consider  $\mathbb{R}$  with cofinite topology, the subset  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $x \in \mathbb{Q}$  be arbitrary. Suppose  $x$  is a  $pg^{**}$ -interior point of  $\mathbb{Q}$ , then there exists a  $pg^{**}$ -neighbourhood  $U$  of  $x$  such that  $x \in U \subset \mathbb{Q}$ . This implies  $\mathbb{Q}^c$  must be finite which is not true. Therefore  $x$  is not  $pg^{**}$ -interior point of  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Since  $x$  is arbitrary  $\mathbb{Q}$  has no  $pg^{**}$ -interior point.

**Note** Any subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  with cofinite topology whose complement is not finite has no  $pg^{**}$ -interior point.

**Note:**

- (1) Obviously  $pg^{**}int(A)$  is the set of all  $pg^{**}$ -interior point of  $A$ .
- (2)  $pg^{**}int(A)$  need not be  $pg^{**}$ -open but if  $A$  is  $pg^{**}$ -open then  $pg^{**}int(A) = A$ .
- (3) If  $(X, \tau)$  is  $pg^{**}$ -multiplicative space then  $pg^{**}int(A) = A$  if and only if  $A$  is  $pg^{**}$ -open.

**Theorem 3.32:** For any two subsets  $A$  and  $B$  of  $(X, \tau)$ . Then,

1.  $int(A) \subseteq pg^{**}int(A) \subseteq A$ .
2. If  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $pg^{**}int(A) \subseteq pg^{**}int(B)$ .
3.  $pg^{**}int(A \cup B) \supseteq pg^{**}int(A) \cup pg^{**}int(B)$ .
4.  $pg^{**}int(A \cap B) = pg^{**}int(A) \cap pg^{**}int(B)$ .

**Proof:** follows from the definition.

**Remark 3.33:** For a subset  $A$  of  $X$   $pg^{**}int(A) \neq int(A)$  as seen from the following example.

**Example 3.34:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$  Let  $A = \{a, c\}$  where  $pg^{**}int(A) = \{a, c\}$  and  $int(A) = \{a\}$ . Hence  $pg^{**}int(A) \neq int(A)$ .

**Remark 3.35:**  $pg^{**}int(A) = pg^{**}int(B)$  does not imply that  $A = B$ . This is revealed by the following example.

**Example 3.36:** Let  $(X, \tau)$ , where  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$  be a topological space. Here  $PG^{**}O(X, \tau) = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$ . Let  $A = \{a, b\}$  and  $B = \{a\}$ , then  $pg^{**}int(A) = pg^{**}int(B)$  but  $A \neq B$ .

**Theorem 3.37:** Let  $A$  be a subset of  $(X, \tau)$ , then the following are true.

- (1)  $(pg^{**}int(A))^c = pg^{**}cl(A^c)$ .
- (2)  $pg^{**}int(A) = (pg^{**}cl(A^c))^c$ .
- (3)  $pg^{**}cl(A) = (pg^{**}int(A^c))^c$ .

**Proof:**

- (1) Let  $x \in (pg^{**}int(A))^c$ . Then  $x \notin pg^{**}int(A)$ . That is every  $pg^{**}$ -open set  $U$  containing  $x$  is such that  $U$  is not a proper subset of  $A$ . Thus  $U \cap A^c \neq \emptyset$  for every  $pg^{**}$ -open set  $U$  containing  $x$ . Thus  $x \in pg^{**}cl(A^c)$ . Conversely, suppose  $x \in pg^{**}cl(A^c)$ , then for every  $pg^{**}$ -open set  $U$  containing  $x$ ,  $U \cap A^c \neq \emptyset$ . Then by the definition of  $pg^{**}int(A)$ ,  $x \notin pg^{**}int(A)$ , hence  $x \in (pg^{**}int(A))^c$ . Therefore  $(pg^{**}int(A))^c = pg^{**}cl(A^c)$ .
- (2) Follows by taking complements in (1).
- (3) Follows by replacing  $A$  by  $A^c$  in (1).

**Theorem 3.38:** For any  $A \subseteq X$ ,  $(X - pg^{**}int(A)) = pg^{**}cl(X - A)$ .

**Proof:** Let  $x \in X - pg^{**}int(A)$ . Then  $x \notin pg^{**}int(A)$ , that is every  $pg^{**}$ -open set  $G$  containing  $x$  is such that  $G \not\subseteq A$ . Therefore every  $pg^{**}$ -open set  $G$  containing  $x$  intersects  $X - A$ . That is  $G \cap X - A \neq \emptyset$  and hence  $x \in pg^{**}cl(X - A)$ . Conversely let  $x \in pg^{**}cl(X - A)$ . Then every  $pg^{**}$ -open set  $G$  containing  $x$  intersects  $X - A$ , that is  $G \cap X - A \neq \emptyset$ . To be precise every  $pg^{**}$ -open set  $G$  containing  $x$  is such that  $G \not\subseteq A$ . This implies  $x \notin pg^{**}int(A)$ . Therefore  $x \in X - pg^{**}int(A)$  and hence  $(X - pg^{**}int(A)) = pg^{**}cl(X - A)$ .

**Remark 3.39:** For any  $A \subseteq X$ , we have

- (i)  $(X - pg^{**}cl(X - A)) = pg^{**}int(A)$ .
- (ii)  $(X - pg^{**}int(X - A)) = pg^{**}cl(A)$ . Taking complement in the above theorem and by replacing  $A$  by  $X - A$  in theorem (3.38) the results (i) and (ii) follow.

**Definition 3.40:** A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $pg^{**}$ -clopen if it is both  $pg^{**}$ -open and  $pg^{**}$ -closed in  $X$ .

**Example 3.41:** Consider  $\mathbb{R}$  with usual topology  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $\mathbb{Q}^c$  are  $pg^{**}$ -clopen.

**Definition 3.42:** A point  $x \in X$  is said to be a  $pg^{**}$ -boundary point of  $A$  if every  $pg^{**}$ -open set containing  $x$  intersects both  $A$  and  $X - A$ .

**Definition 3.43:** Let  $A$  be any subset of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then the  $pg^{**}$ -boundary of  $A$  is defined as  $pg^{**}Bd(A) = pg^{**}cl(A) \cap pg^{**}cl(A^c)$ .

**Example 3.44:** Consider  $\mathbb{R}$  with discrete topology and  $\mathbb{Q}$ , the set of rationals. Let  $r \in \mathbb{R}$  be arbitrary, then  $\{r\}$  is a  $pg^{**}$ -open set containing  $r$  which cannot intersect both  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $\mathbb{Q}^c$ . Therefore  $\mathbb{Q}$  has no  $pg^{**}$ -boundary point.

**Example 3.45:** Consider  $\mathbb{R}$  with finite complement topology and  $\mathbb{Q}$ , the set of rationals. Let  $r \in \mathbb{R}$  be arbitrary and  $U$  be a  $pg^{**}$ -neighbourhood of  $r$ , then  $U$  is infinite and hence contains atleast one point of  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Therefore  $U$  intersects both  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $\mathbb{Q}^c$ . Therefore every real number is a  $pg^{**}$ -boundary point of  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

Infact, any infinite subset  $A$  of  $\mathbb{R}$  whose complement is also infinite has every real number as its  $pg^{**}$ -boundary point.

**Definition 3.46:** If  $(X, \tau)$  is a topological space, a point  $x \in X$  is said to be a  $pg^{**}$ -isolated point of  $X$  if the one-point set  $\{x\}$  is  $pg^{**}$ -open in  $X$ .

**Definition 3.47:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ . A point  $x$  in  $A$  is called a  $pg^{**}$ -isolated point of  $A$  if it has a  $pg^{**}$ -neighborhood of  $x$  which contains no other point of  $A$ .

**Definition 3.48:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $A \subseteq X$ . Then the  $pg^{**}$ -border of  $A$  is defined as  $bpg^{**}(A) = A - pg^{**}int(A)$ .

**Definition 3.49:** Let  $A$  be any subset of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then the  $pg^{**}$ -exterior of  $A$  is defined as  $pg^{**}Ext(A) = pg^{**}int(A^c)$ .

**Theorem 3.50:** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be any two sets of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , then the following conditions hold:

- (i)  $pg^{**}Bd(A) = pg^{**}Bd(A^c)$ .
- (ii)  $pg^{**}Bd(A) \subseteq pg^{**}cl(A^c)$ .
- (iii) If  $A$  is  $pg^{**}$ -closed, then  $pg^{**}Bd(A) \subseteq A$ .
- (iv) If  $A$  is  $pg^{**}$ -open, then  $pg^{**}Bd(A) \subseteq A^c$ .
- (v) Let  $A \subseteq B$  and  $B \in pg^{**}Cl(X, \tau)$  (resp.  $B \in pg^{**}O(X, \tau)$ ). Then,
- (vi)  $pg^{**}Bd(A) \subseteq B$  (resp.  $pg^{**}Bd(A) \subseteq B^c$ ) where  $pg^{**}Cl(X, \tau)$  denotes the class of  $pg^{**}$ -closed (resp.  $pg^{**}O(X, \tau)$  denotes the class of  $pg^{**}$ -open) sets in  $X$ .
- (vii)  $(pg^{**}Bd(A))^c = pg^{**}int(A) \cup pg^{**}int(A^c)$ .

**Proof:** (i)  $pg^{**}Bd(A) = pg^{**}cl(A) \cap pg^{**}cl(A^c) = pg^{**}cl(A^c)^c \cap pg^{**}cl(A^c) = pg^{**}Bd(A^c)$ .

(ii) and (iii) Follows from Definition of  $pg^{**}Bd(A)$ .

(iv)  $pg^{**}Bd(A) \subseteq pg^{**}cl(A) = A$ . Hence  $pg^{**}Bd(A) \subseteq A$ .

(v) Suppose  $A$  is  $pg^{**}$ -open then  $A^c$  is  $pg^{**}$ -closed, also  $pg^{**}Bd(A^c) \subseteq A^c$ . Hence by (i)  $pg^{**}Bd(A) \subseteq A$ .

(vi) Since  $A \subseteq B$ ,  $pg^{**}cl(A) \subseteq pg^{**}cl(B)$ .

Now  $pg^{**}Bd(A) \subseteq pg^{**}cl(A) \subseteq pg^{**}cl(B) = B$ . Hence  $pg^{**}Bd(A) \subseteq B$ .

(vii)  $(pg^{**}Bd(A))^c = (pg^{**}cl(A) \cap pg^{**}cl(A^c))^c = (pg^{**}cl(A))^c \cup (pg^{**}cl(A^c))^c$   
 $= pg^{**}int(A^c) \cup pg^{**}int(A) = pg^{**}int(A^c) \cup pg^{**}int(A)$ .

**Theorem 3.51:** Let  $A$  be a subset of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , then the following conditions hold:

- (i)  $pg^{**}Bd(A) \subseteq Bd(A)$ , where  $Bd(A)$  denotes the boundary of  $A$ .
- (ii)  $pg^{**}cl(A) = pg^{**}int(A) \cup pg^{**}Bd(A)$
- (iii)  $pg^{**}int(A) \cap pg^{**}Bd(A) = \emptyset$ .
- (iv)  $pg^{**}Bd(int(A)) \subseteq pg^{**}Bd(A)$ .
- (v)  $pg^{**}Bd(cl(A)) \subseteq pg^{**}Bd(A)$ .
- (vi)  $bpg^{**}(A) \subseteq pg^{**}Bd(A)$ .

**Proof:** (i)  $pg^{**}Bd(A) = pg^{**}cl(A) \cap pg^{**}cl(A^c) \subseteq cl(A) \cap cl(A^c) = Bd(A)$ .

(ii)  $pg^{**}int(A) \cup pg^{**}Bd(A) = pg^{**}int(A) \cup (pg^{**}cl(A) \cap pg^{**}cl(A^c)) = pg^{**}cl(A)$ .

(iii)  $pg^{**}int(A) \cap pg^{**}Bd(A) = pg^{**}int(A) \cap (pg^{**}cl(A) \cap pg^{**}cl(A^c)) = \emptyset$ .

- (iv)  $pg^{**} Bd(int(A)) = (pg^{**} cl(int(A)) \cap pg^{**} cl(int(A))^c)$   
 $= (pg^{**} cl(int(A)) \cap (pg^{**} int(int(A)))^c \subseteq pg^{**} cl(A) \cap (pg^{**} int(A))^c = pg^{**} Bd(A).$   
 (v)  $pg^{**} Bd(cl(A)) = (pg^{**} cl(cl(A)) \cap pg^{**} cl(cl(A))^c) \subseteq pg^{**} cl(A) \cap (pg^{**} int(A))^c = pg^{**} Bd(A).$   
 (vi)  $bpg^{**} (A) = A - pg^{**} int(A) \subseteq pg^{**} cl(A) \cap (pg^{**} int(A))^c = pg^{**} Bd(A).$

**Theorem 3.52:** Let  $A$  be a subset of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , then the following conditions hold:

- (i)  $bpg^{**} (A) \subseteq b(A)$ , where  $b(A)$  denotes the border of  $A$ .  
 (ii)  $A = pg^{**} int(A) \cup bpg^{**} (A)$ .  
 (iii)  $pg^{**} int(A) \cap bpg^{**} (A) = \varphi$ .  
 (iv) If  $A$  is  $pg^{**}$ -open, then  $bpg^{**} (A) = \varphi$ .  
 (v)  $bpg^{**} (A) = A \cap pg^{**} cl(A^c)$ .

**Proof:** (i) follows from definition of  $pg^{**}$ -border of  $A$  and  $A - pg^{**} int(A) \subseteq A - int(A)$ .

(ii) and (iii) follows from the definition of  $pg^{**}$ -border of  $A$ .

(iv) If  $A$  is  $pg^{**}$ -open, then  $pg^{**} int(A) = A$ . Thus  $bpg^{**} (A) = \varphi$ .

(v)  $bpg^{**} (A) = A - pg^{**} int(A) = A - (pg^{**} cl(A^c))^c = A \cap pg^{**} cl(A^c)$ .

**Theorem 3.53:** Let  $A$  be a subset of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , then the following conditions hold:

- (i)  $Ext(A) \subseteq pg^{**} Ext(A)$ , where  $Ext(A)$  denotes the exterior of  $A$ .  
 (ii)  $pg^{**} Ext(X) = \varphi$ .  
 (iii)  $pg^{**} Ext(\varphi) = X$ .  
 (iv)  $pg^{**} Ext(A) = (pg^{**} cl(A))^c$ .  
 (v)  $pg^{**} Ext(pg^{**} Ext(A)) = pg^{**} int(pg^{**} cl(A))$ .  
 (vi) If  $A \subseteq B$  then  $pg^{**} Ext(A) \supseteq pg^{**} Ext(B)$ .  
 (vii)  $pg^{**} Ext(A \cup B) \subseteq pg^{**} Ext(A) \cup pg^{**} Ext(B)$ .  
 (viii)  $pg^{**} Ext(A \cap B) \supseteq pg^{**} Ext(A) \cap pg^{**} Ext(B)$ .  
 (ix)  $pg^{**} int(A) \subseteq pg^{**} Ext(pg^{**} Ext(A))$ .

**Proof:** (i) (ii) (iii) and (iv) follows from the definition of  $pg^{**} Ext(A)$ .

(v)  $pg^{**} Ext(pg^{**} Ext(A)) = pg^{**} Ext(pg^{**} cl(A))^c = pg^{**} int(pg^{**} cl(A))$ .

(vi) If  $A \subseteq B$  then  $A^c \supseteq B^c \Rightarrow pg^{**} int(A^c) \supseteq pg^{**} int(B^c) \Rightarrow pg^{**} Ext(A) \supseteq pg^{**} Ext(B)$ .

(vii) and (viii) follows from (vi).

(ix)  $pg^{**} int(A) \subseteq pg^{**} int(pg^{**} cl(A)) = pg^{**} int(pg^{**} Ext(A))^c = pg^{**} Ext(pg^{**} Ext(A))$ .

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