

## Generalized b-strongly b\*-closed sets in Topological Spaces

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### ABSTRACT

In this paper a new class of generalized closed sets in topological spaces, namely generalized b-strongly b\*-closed (briefly, gbsb\*-closed) set is introduced. We give some basic properties and various characterizations of gbsb\*-closed sets. Also we introduce gbsb\*-neighbourhood in a topological spaces and investigate some basic properties.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

In 1970, Levine [8] introduced the class of generalized closed sets. The notion of generalized closed sets has been extended and studied exclusively in recent years by many topologists. In 1996, Andrijević [16] gave a new type of generalized closed sets in topological spaces called b-closed sets. Later in 2012 A.Poongothai and P.Parimelazhagan [21] introduced sb\*-closed sets and investigated some of their properties.

In this paper, a new class of generalized closed set called generalized b-strongly b\*-closed set is introduced. The notion of generalized b-strongly b\*-closed set and its different characterizations are given in this paper.

### 2. PRELIMINARIES

Throughout this paper  $(X, \tau)$  represents a topological space on which no separation axiom is assumed unless otherwise mentioned.  $(X, \tau)$  will be replaced by  $X$  if there is no changes of confusion. For a subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$ ,  $\text{cl}(A)$  and  $\text{int}(A)$  denote the closure of  $A$  and the interior of  $A$  respectively. We recall the following definitions and results.

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

1. semi-open [9] if  $A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$  and semi-closed if  $\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)) \subseteq A$ .
2.  $\alpha$ -open [13] if  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)))$  and  $\alpha$ -closed if  $\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(A))) \subseteq A$ .
3. pre-open [14] if  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$  and pre-closed if  $\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) \subseteq A$ .
4. b-open [16] if  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(A)) \cup \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$  and b-closed if  $\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)) \cap \text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) \subseteq A$ .
5. regular open [1] if  $\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)) = A$  and regular closed if  $\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) = A$ .
6.  $\pi$ -open [4] if  $A$  is the union of regular open sets and  $\pi$ -closed if  $A$  is the intersection of regular closed sets.

**Definition 2.2:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $A \subseteq X$ . The b-closure (resp.pre-closure, semi-closure,  $\alpha$ -closure) of  $A$ , denoted by  $\text{bcl}(A)$  (resp. $\text{pcl}(A)$ ,  $\text{scl}(A)$ ,  $\alpha\text{cl}(A)$ ) and is defined by the intersection of all b-closed (resp. pre-closed, semi-closed,  $\alpha$ -closed) sets containing  $A$ .

**Definition 2.3:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $A \subseteq X$ . The b-interior of  $A$ , denoted by  $\text{bint}(A)$  and is defined by the union of all b-open sets contained in  $A$ .

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**Definition 2.4:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space. A subset A of  $X$  is said to be

1. generalized closed [8](briefly g-closed) if  $cl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
2. generalized b-closed [2] (briefly gb-closed) if  $bcl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
3. regular generalized closed [7] (briefly rg-closed) if  $cl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is regular open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
4. regular generalized b-closed [17](briefly rgb-closed) if  $bcl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is regular open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
5. generalized  $\alpha$ b-closed [15](briefly  $g\alpha$ b-closed) if  $bcl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\alpha$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$
6. generalized pre-regular closed [20] (briefly gpr-closed) if  $pcl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is rg-open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
7. generalized p-closed [11](briefly gp-closed) if  $pcl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
8.  $\alpha$ -generalized closed [10] (briefly  $\alpha$ g-closed) if  $\alpha cl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is an open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
9.  $\pi$ -generalized b-closed [6](briefly  $\pi$ gb-closed) if  $bcl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\pi$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
10. weakly closed [19](briefly w-closed) if  $cl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is a semi-open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
11. weakly generalized closed [18] (briefly wg-closed) if  $cl(int(A)) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is an open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
12. semi weakly generalized closed [5](briefly swg-closed) if  $scl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is an wg-open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
13.  $w\alpha$ -closed [3] if  $\alpha cl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is a w-open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
14. strongly b\*-closed [21](briefly sb\*-closed) if  $cl(int(A)) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is b-open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

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

**Theorem 2.5 [21]:** For a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ ,

- (i) Every open set is sb\*-open.
- (ii) Every  $\alpha$ -open set is sb\*-open.
- (iii) Every sb\*-open set is b-open.

**Theorem 2.6 [22]:** For any subset A of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ ,

- (i)  $sint(A) = A \cap cl(int(A))$
- (ii)  $pin(A) = A \cap int(cl(A))$
- (iii)  $scl(A) = A \cup int(cl(A))$
- (iv)  $pcl(A) = A \cup cl(int(A))$ .

**Remark 2.7 [12]:** Jankovic and Reilly pointed out that every singleton  $\{x\}$  of a space  $X$  is either nowhere dense or pre-open. This provides another decomposition  $X = X_1 \cup X_2$ , where  $X_1 = \{x \in X / \{x\} \text{ is nowhere dense}\}$  and  $X_2 = \{x \in X / \{x\} \text{ is pre-open}\}$ .

**Definition 2.8 [12]:** The intersection of all gb-open sets containing A is called the gb-kernel of A and it is denoted by  $gb\text{-ker}(A)$ .

**Lemma 2.9 [12]:** For any subset A of  $X$ ,  $X_2 \cap cl(A) \subseteq gb\text{-ker}(A)$ .

**Remark 2.10:** For any subset A of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ ,

- (i)  $X \setminus bcl(A) = bint(X \setminus A)$
- (ii)  $X \setminus bint(A) = bcl(X \setminus A)$ .

### 3. Generalized b-strongly b\*-closed set

**Definition 3.1:** A subset A of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called a generalized b-strongly b\*-closed set (briefly, gbsb\*-closed) if  $bcl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is sb\*-open in  $(X, \tau)$ . The collection of all gbsb\*-closed sets of  $X$  is denoted by  $gbsb^*\text{-C}(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 3.2:**

- (i) Every closed set is gbsb\*-closed.
- (ii) Every semi-closed set is gbsb\*-closed.
- (iii) Every  $\alpha$ -closed set is gbsb\*-closed.
- (iv) Every pre-closed set is gbsb\*-closed.
- (v) Every b-closed set is gbsb\*-closed.
- (vi) Every regular closed set is gbsb\*-closed.
- (vii) Every  $\pi$ -closed set is gbsb\*-closed.

**Proof:**

- (i) Let A be a closed set. Let  $A \subseteq U$ , U is sb\*-open in X. Since A is closed, then  $cl(A)=A \subseteq U$ . But  $bcl(A) \subseteq cl(A)$ . Thus we have  $bcl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is sb\*-open and therefore, A is a gbsb\*-closed set.
- (ii) (ii), (iii), (iv), (v), (vi) and (vii) are similar to (i).

The reverse implications need not be true which is shown in the following examples.

**Example 3.3:** Let  $X=\{a, b, c\}$  and  $\tau=\{\phi, \{a\}, X\}$ .

- (i) Then the set {b} is gbsb\*-closed but not a closed set.
- (ii) The set {a, c} is a gbsb\*-closed set but not a b-closed set

**Example 3.4:** Let  $X=\{a, b, c, d\}$  with  $\tau=\{\phi, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ .

- (i) The set {a, c, d} is gbsb\*-closed set but not a semi-closed set.
- (ii) The set {a} is gbsb\*-closed set but not a  $\alpha$ -closed set.
- (iii) The set {b, c} is gbsb\*-closed set but not a pre-closed set.

**Example 3.5:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with  $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ . The set {d} is gbsb\*-closed set but not a regular-closed set.

**Example 3.6.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with  $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ . The sets {a, b} and {b, c, d} are gbsb\*-closed but not a  $\pi$ -closed set.

**Theorem 3.7:**

- (i) Every gbsb\*-closed set is gb-closed.
- (ii) Every gbsb\*-closed set is rgb-closed set.
- (iii) Every gbsb\*-closed set is  $g\alpha b$ -closed set.
- (iv) Every gbsb\*-closed set is  $\pi gb$ -closed set.

**Proof:**

- (i) Let A be a gbsb\*-closed set. Let  $A \subseteq U$ , U is open. Since open set is sb\*-open, then U is sb\*-open. Since A is gbsb\*-closed,  $bcl(A) \subseteq U$ . Thus, we have  $bcl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is open and therefore, A is gb-closed set.
- (ii) (ii), (iii) and (iv) are similar to (i).

The reverse implications need not be true which is shown in the following examples.

**Example 3.8:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with  $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ .

- (i) The set {a, b, d} is gb-closed but not a gbsb\*-closed set.
- (ii) The sets {a, b, d} is  $g\alpha b$ -closed but not a gbsb\*-closed set.

**Example 3.9:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with  $\tau = \{\phi, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ . The set {a, b} is rgb-closed but not a gbsb\*-closed set.

**Example 3.10:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with  $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ . The set {a,c} is  $\pi gb$ -closed set but not a gbsb\*-closed set.

**Remark 3.11:** The following examples shows that gbsb\*-closed sets are independent from  $\alpha g$ -closed set, g-closed set, rg-closed set, gpr-closed set, wg-closed set, swg-closed set and gp-closed set.

**Example 3.12:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with  $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, c, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ .

- (i) The sets {a, b}, {a, b, d} are rg-closed sets but not a gbsb\*-closed in  $(X, \tau)$  and the set {c} is gbsb\*-closed but not rg-closed.
- (ii) The sets {a, b, d}, {b, d} are  $\alpha g$ -closed sets but not gbsb\*-closed.
- (iii) The set {a, b, d} is wg-closed but not gbsb\*-closed.

**Example 3.13:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with  $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ .

- (i) The sets {a, b}, {a, b, d} are gpr-closed sets but not gbsb\*-closed in  $(X, \tau)$  and the sets {a}, {b} are gbsb\*-closed but not a gpr-closed.
- (ii) The set {a, b, d} is a g-closed set but not gbsb\*-closed in  $(X, \tau)$  and the sets {a}, {b}, {c} are gbsb\*-closed but not g-closed.

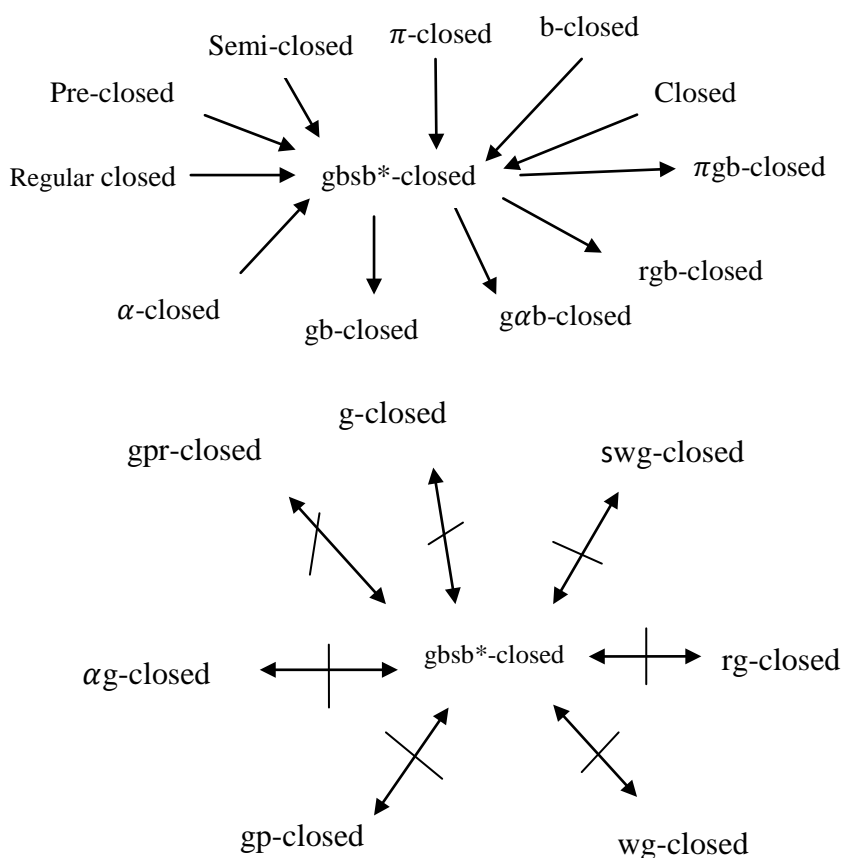
- (iii) The set  $\{a, b, d\}$  is as wg-closed set but not gbsb\*-closed in  $(X, \tau)$  and the sets  $\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}$  are gbsb\*-closed but not swg-closed.
- (iv) The set  $\{a, b, d\}$  is gp-closed but not gbsb\*-closed in  $(X, \tau)$  and the sets  $\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}$  are gbsb\*-closed but not gp-closed.
- (v) The sets  $\{a, b, d\}, \{b, d\}$  are gbsb\*-closed sets but not  $\alpha$ g-closed.
- (vi) The set  $\{a, b, d\}$  is wg-closed but not gbsb\*-closed.

**Theorem 3.14:** Let A be a subset of a space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then

- (i) If A is both open and g-closed then A is gbsb\*-closed.
- (ii) If A is both regular-open and rg-closed then A is gbsb\*-closed.
- (iii) If A is both w-open and  $w\alpha$ -closed then A is gbsb\*-closed.
- (iv) If A is both open and gp-closed then A is gbsb\*-closed.
- (v) If A is both regular-open and gpr-closed then A is gbsb\*-closed.
- (vi) If A is both open and  $\alpha$ g-closed then A is gbsb\*-closed.

**Proof:** Straight forward.

**Remark 3.15:** From the above results, we have the following implication diagrams.



The above discussion we can see that the gbsb\*-closed set is properly lies between b-closed and gb-closed sets.

#### 4. CHARACTERIZATION

**Theorem 4.1:** If a set A is gbsb\*-closed in  $(X, \tau)$ , then  $bcl(A) \setminus A$  contains no non empty sb\*-closed sets in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proof:** Let F be a sb\*-closed subset of X such that  $F \subseteq bcl(A) \setminus A$ . Then  $F \subseteq bcl(A) \cap (X \setminus A)$ . That implies,  $F \subseteq bcl(A)$  and  $F \subseteq (X \setminus A)$ . Then  $A \subseteq X \setminus F$  and  $X \setminus F$  is sb\*-open in  $(X, \tau)$ . Since A is gbsb\*-closed in X,  $bcl(A) \subseteq X \setminus F$ ,  $F \subseteq X \setminus bcl(A)$ . Thus  $F \subseteq bcl(A) \cap (X \setminus bcl(A)) = \emptyset$ . Hence  $bcl(A) \setminus A$  does not contain any non-empty sb\*-closed sets.

**Theorem 4.2:** If a subset A is gbsb\*-closed set in  $(X, \tau)$  and  $A \subseteq B \subseteq bcl(A)$ , then B is also a gbsb\*-closed set.

**Proof:** Let A be a gbsb\*-closed set and B be any subset of X such that  $A \subseteq B \subseteq bcl(A)$ . Let U be sb\*-open in  $(X, \tau)$  such that  $B \subseteq U$ . Then  $A \subseteq U$ . Also since A is gbsb\*-closed,  $bcl(A) \subseteq U$ . Since  $B \subseteq bcl(A)$ ,  $bcl(B) \subseteq bcl(bcl(A)) = bcl(A) \subseteq U$ . This implies,  $bcl(B) \subseteq U$ . Thus B is a gbsb\*-closed set.

**Definition 4.3:** Let  $X$  be a topological spaces and  $Y$  be a subspace of  $X$ . Then the subset  $A$  of  $Y$  is  $sb^*$ -open in  $Y$  if  $A=G \cap Y$ , where  $G$  is  $sb^*$ -open in  $X$ .

**Theorem 4.4:** Let  $A \subseteq Y \subseteq X$  and suppose that  $A$  is  $gbsb^*$ -closed in  $X$  then  $A$  is  $gbsb^*$ -closed relative to  $Y$ .

**Proof:** Given that  $A \subseteq Y \subseteq X$  and  $A$  is a  $gbsb^*$ -closed set in  $X$ . To prove that  $A$  is  $gbsb^*$ -closed set relative to  $Y$ . Let us assume that  $A \subseteq Y \cap U$ , where  $U$  is  $sb^*$ -open in  $X$ . Since  $A$  is  $gbsb^*$ -closed set in  $X$ , then  $bcl(A) \subseteq U$ . That implies  $Y \cap bcl(A) \subseteq Y \cap U$ , where  $Y \cap bcl(A)$  is the  $b$ -closure of  $A$  in  $Y$  and  $Y \cap U$  is  $sb^*$ -open in  $Y$ . Therefore  $bcl(A) \subseteq Y \cap U$  in  $Y$ . Hence,  $A$  is  $gbsb^*$ -closed set relative to  $Y$ .

**Theorem 4.5:** Let  $A$  be any  $gbsb^*$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $A$  is  $b$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$  iff  $bcl(A) \setminus A$  is  $sb^*$ -closed.

**Proof:** Necessity: Since  $A$  is  $b$ -closed,  $bcl(A) = A$ . Then  $bcl(A) \setminus A = \emptyset$ , which is  $sb^*$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Sufficiency: Since  $A$  is  $gbsb^*$ -closed, by Theorem 4.1,  $bcl(A) \setminus A$  does not contains any non-empty  $sb^*$ -closed set. Therefore,  $bcl(A) \setminus A = \emptyset$ . Hence  $bcl(A) = A$ . Thus  $A$  is  $b$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 4.6:** For every element  $x$  in a space  $X$ ,  $X - \{x\}$  is  $gbsb^*$ -closed or  $sb^*$ -open.

**Proof:**

**Case-(i):** Suppose  $X - \{x\}$  is not  $sb^*$ -open. Then  $X$  is the only  $sb^*$ -open set containing  $X - \{x\}$ . This implies  $bcl(X - \{x\}) \subseteq X$ . Hence  $X - \{x\}$  is  $gbsb^*$ -closed.

**Case-(ii):** Suppose  $X - \{x\}$  is not  $gbsb^*$ -closed. Then there exists a  $sb^*$ -open set  $U$  containing  $X - \{x\}$  such that  $bcl(X - \{x\})$  does not contained in  $U$ . Now  $bcl(X - \{x\})$  is either  $X - \{x\}$  or  $X$ . If  $bcl(X - \{x\}) = X - \{x\}$ , then  $X - \{x\}$  is  $b$ -closed. Since every  $b$ -closed set is  $gbsb^*$ -closed,  $X - \{x\}$  is  $gbsb^*$ -closed, which is a contradiction. Therefore  $bcl(X - \{x\}) = X$ . To prove that  $X - \{x\}$  is  $sb^*$ -open. suppose not. Then by case (i),  $X - \{x\}$  is  $gbsb^*$ -closed. There is a contradiction to our assumption. Hence  $X - \{x\}$  is  $sb^*$ -open.

**Theorem 4.7:** If  $A$  is both  $sb^*$ -open and  $gbsb^*$ -closed set in  $X$ , then  $A$  is  $b$ -closed set.

**Proof:** Since  $A$  is  $sb^*$ -open and  $gbsb^*$ -closed in  $X$ ,  $bcl(A) \subseteq A$ . But always  $A \subseteq bcl(A)$ . Therefore,  $A = bcl(A)$ . Hence  $A$  is a  $b$ -closed set.

**Definition 4.8:** The intersection of all  $sb^*$ -open sets containing  $A$  is called the  $sb^*$ -kernel of  $A$  and it is denoted by  $sb^*$ -ker( $A$ ).

**Theorem 4.9:** A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is  $gbsb^*$ -closed iff  $bcl(A) \subseteq sb^*$ -ker( $A$ ).

**Proof:**

**Necessity:** Let  $A$  be a  $gbsb^*$ -closed subset of  $X$  and  $x \in bcl(A)$ . Suppose  $x \notin sb^*$ -ker( $A$ ). Then there exists a  $sb^*$ -open set  $U$  containing  $A$  such that  $x \notin U$ . Since  $A$  is  $gbsb^*$ -closed set, then  $bcl(A) \subseteq U$ . This implies that,  $x \in bcl(A)$ , which is a contradiction to  $x \notin bcl(A)$ . Therefore  $bcl(A) \subseteq sb^*$ -ker( $A$ ).

**Sufficiency:** Suppose  $bcl(A) \subseteq sb^*$ -ker( $A$ ). If  $U$  is any  $sb^*$ -open set containing  $A$ , then  $sb^*$ -ker( $A$ )  $\subseteq U$ . That implies,  $bcl(A) \subseteq U$ . Hence  $A$  is  $gbsb^*$ -closed in  $X$ .

**Remark 4.10:** For any subset  $A$  of  $X$ ,  $gb$ -ker( $A$ )  $\subseteq sb^*$ -ker( $A$ ).

**Theorem 4.11:** For any subset  $A$  of  $X$ ,  $X_2 \cap bcl(A) \subseteq sb^*$ -ker( $A$ ).

**Proof:** Since  $bcl(A) \subseteq cl(A)$ , then  $X_2 \cap bcl(A) \subseteq X_2 \cap cl(A)$ . Then by Lemma 2.9 and Remark 4.10,  $X_2 \cap bcl(A) \subseteq sb^*$ -ker( $A$ ).

**Theorem 4.12:** A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is  $gbsb^*$ -closed if and only if  $X_1 \cap bcl(A) \subseteq A$ .

**Proof:**

**Necessity:** Suppose that  $A$  is  $gbsb^*$ -closed and  $x \in X_1 \cap bcl(A)$ . Then  $x \in X_1$  and  $x \in bcl(A)$ . Since  $x \in X_1$ , then  $int(cl(\{x\})) = \emptyset$ . That implies,  $cl(int(cl(\{x\}))) = \emptyset$ . Therefore  $\{x\}$  is  $\alpha$ -closed. By Theorem 2.5,  $\{x\}$  is  $sb^*$ -closed. If  $x$  does not belongs to  $A$ , then  $U = X - \{x\}$  is a  $sb^*$ -open set containing  $A$  and so  $bcl(A) \subseteq U$ . Since  $x \in bcl(A)$ ,  $x \in U$ . This is a contradiction to  $x$  not in  $U$ . Hence  $X_1 \cap bcl(A) \subseteq A$ .

**Sufficiency:** Let  $X_1 \cap bcl(A) \subseteq A$ . Then  $X_1 \cap bcl(A) \subseteq sb^*$ -ker( $A$ ). Now,  $bcl(A) = X \cap bcl(A) = (X_1 \cup X_2) \cap bcl(A) = (X_1 \cap bcl(A)) \cup (X_2 \cap bcl(A)) \subseteq sb^*$ -ker( $A$ ). Then by Theorem 4.9,  $A$  is  $gbsb^*$ -closed.

**Remark 4.13:** Union of any two gbsb\*-closed sets in  $(X, \tau)$  need not be agbsb\*-closed set which is shown in the following example.

**Example 4.14:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ . The sets  $\{a\}$  and  $\{b\}$  are gbsb\*-closed sets but their union  $\{a, b\}$  is not a gbsb\*-closed set in  $X$ .

**Theorem 4.15:** Arbitrary intersection of gbsb\*-closed sets is gbsb\*-closed.

**Proof:** Let  $\{A_i\}$  be the collection of gbsb\*-closed sets of  $X$ . Let  $A = \bigcap A_i$ . Since  $A \subseteq A_i$ , for each  $i$ , then  $\text{bcl}(A) \subseteq \text{bcl}(A_i)$ . That implies,  $X_1 \cap \text{bcl}(A) \subseteq X_1 \cap \text{bcl}(A_i)$ . Since each  $A_i$  is gbsb\*-closed, then by Theorem 4.12,  $X_1 \cap \text{bcl}(A_i) \subseteq A_i$ , for each  $i$ . Now,  $X_1 \cap \text{bcl}(A) = X_1 \cap \text{bcl}(\bigcap A_i) \subseteq \bigcap (X_1 \cap \text{bcl}(A_i)) \subseteq \bigcap A_i = A$ . Again by Theorem 4.12,  $A$  is gbsb\*-closed.

**Theorem 4.16:** Let  $A$  be a gbsb\*-closed in  $X$ . Then

- (i)  $\text{sint}(A)$  is gbsb\*-closed.
- (ii) If  $A$  is regular open, then  $\text{pint}(A)$  and  $\text{scl}(A)$  are also gbsb\*-closed.
- (iii) If  $A$  is regular closed, then  $\text{pcl}(A)$  is also gbsb\*-closed.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be a gbsb\*-closed set of  $X$ .

- (i) Since  $\text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$  is closed, then by Theorem 3.2,  $\text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$  is gbsb\*-closed. By Theorem 4.15 and Lemma 2.6,  $\text{sint}(A)$  is gbsb\*-closed.
- (ii) Suppose  $A$  is regular open. Then  $\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)) = A$ . By Lemma 2.6,  $\text{scl}(A) = A$ . Since  $A$  is gbsb\*-closed, then  $\text{scl}(A)$  is gbsb\*-closed. Similarly  $\text{pint}(A)$  is gbsb\*-closed.
- (iii) If  $A$  is regular closed, then  $\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) = A$ . By Lemma 2.6,  $\text{pcl}(A) = A$  and hence gbsb\*-closed.

## 5. Generalized b-strongly b\*-open

**Definition 5.1:** A subset  $A$  of  $(X, \tau)$  is said be generalized b-strongly b\*-open (briefly gbsb\*-open) set if its complement  $X \setminus A$  is gbsb\*-closed in  $X$ . The family of all gbsb\*-open sets in  $X$  is denoted by  $\text{gbsb}^*\text{-O}(X)$ .

**Theorem 5.2:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $A \subseteq X$ . Then  $A$  is a gbsb\*-open if and only if  $F \subseteq \text{bint}(A)$ , whenever  $F \subseteq A$  and  $F$  is sb\*-closed.

**Proof:**

**Necessity:** Let  $A$  be a gbsb\*-open set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Let  $F \subseteq A$  and  $F$  is sb\*-closed. Then  $X \setminus A$  is gbsb\*-closed and it is contained in the sb\*-open set  $X \setminus F$ . Therefore  $\text{bcl}(X \setminus A) \subseteq X \setminus F$ . This implies that  $X \setminus \text{bint}(A) \subseteq X \setminus F$ . Hence  $F \subseteq \text{bint}(A)$ .

**Sufficiency:** If  $F$  is sb\*-closed set such that  $F \subseteq \text{bint}(A)$  whenever  $F \subseteq A$ . It follows that  $X \setminus A \subseteq X \setminus F$  and  $X \setminus \text{bint}(A) \subseteq X \setminus F$ . Therefore  $\text{bcl}(X \setminus A) \subseteq X \setminus F$ . Hence  $X \setminus A$  is gbsb\*-closed and hence  $A$  is gbsb\*-open.

**Theorem 5.3:** If a set  $A$  is gbsb\*-open and  $B \subseteq X$  such that  $\text{bint}(A) \subseteq B \subseteq A$ , then  $B$  is gbsb\*-open.

**Proof:** If  $\text{bint}(A) \subseteq B \subseteq A$  then,  $X \setminus A \subseteq X \setminus B \subseteq X \setminus \text{bint}(A)$ . That is,  $X \setminus A \subseteq X \setminus B \subseteq \text{bcl}(X \setminus A)$ . Since  $X \setminus A$  is gbsb\*-closed, then by Theorem 4.2,  $X \setminus B$  is gbsb\*-closed and hence  $B$  is gbsb\*-open.

**Theorem 5.4:** If a subset  $A$  is gbsb\*-open in  $X$  and  $G$  is sb\*-open in  $X$  with  $\text{bint}(A) \cup (X \setminus G) \subseteq G$  then  $X = G$ .

**Proof:** Suppose that  $G$  is sb\*-open and  $\text{bint}(A) \cup (X \setminus G) \subseteq G$ . This implies,  $X \setminus G \subseteq (X \setminus \text{bint}(A)) \cap A = \text{bcl}(X \setminus A) \setminus (X \setminus A)$ . Since  $X \setminus A$  is gbsb\*-closed and  $X \setminus G$  is sb\*-closed, then by Theorem 4.1,  $X \setminus G = \emptyset$ . Hence  $X = G$ .

**Remark 5.5:** Every union of gbsb\*-open sets is gbsb\*-open but the intersection of gbsb\*-open sets need not be a gbsb\*-open in  $X$  which is shown in the following example.

**Example 5.6:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with topology  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ . In this topological space  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $\text{gbsb}^*\text{-O}(X) = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, X\}$ . The sets  $\{a, c, d\}$  and  $\{b, c, d\}$  are gbsb\*-open but their intersection  $\{c, d\}$  is not gbsb\*-open in  $X$ .

**Theorem 5.7:** If  $B$  is gbsb\*-open and  $\text{bint}(B) \subseteq A$ , then  $A \cap B$  is gbsb\*-open.

**Proof:** Suppose  $B$  is gbsb\*-open and  $\text{bint}(B) \subseteq A$ . Then  $\text{bint}(A \cap B) \subseteq A \cap B \subseteq B$ . By Theorem 5.3,  $A \cap B$  is gbsb\*-open.

**Theorem 5.8:** If a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , let  $\tau_{\text{gbsb}^*} = \{U \in \text{gbsb}^*\text{-O}(X, \tau) / \bigcup A \in \text{gbsb}^*\text{-O}(X, \tau) \text{ for all } A \in \text{gbsb}^*\text{-O}(X, \tau)\}$ . Then  $\tau_{\text{gbsb}^*}$  is a topology on  $X$ .

**Proof:** Clearly  $\phi, X \in \tau_{gbsb^*}$ . Let  $U_\beta \in \tau_{gbsb^*}$  and  $U = \cup U_\beta$ . Since each  $U_\beta \in \tau_{gbsb^*}$ , then by Remark 5.5,  $U \in gbsb^*-O(X, \tau)$ . Let  $A \in gbsb^*-O(X, \tau)$ . Then  $U_\beta \cap A \in gbsb^*-O(X, \tau)$  for each  $\beta$ . Hence  $U \cap A = (\cup U_\beta) \cap A = \cup (U_\beta \cap A) \in gbsb^*-O(X, \tau)$ . Therefore  $U \in \tau_{gbsb^*}$ . Let  $U_1, U_2 \in \tau_{gbsb^*}$ . Then  $U_1, U_2 \in gbsb^*-O(X, \tau)$  and from definition of  $\tau_{gbsb^*}$ ,  $U_1 \cap U_2 \in gbsb^*-O(X, \tau)$ . If  $A \in gbsb^*-O(X, \tau)$ , and from definition of  $\tau_{gbsb^*}$ ,  $U_1 \cap U_2 \cap A \in gbsb^*-O(X, \tau)$ . Hence  $U_1 \cap U_2 \in \tau_{gbsb^*}$ . This shows that  $\tau_{gbsb^*}$  is closed under finite intersection. Hence  $\tau_{gbsb^*}$  is a topology on X.

## 6. gbsb\*-neighbourhood

**Definition 6.1:** Let X be a topological space and let  $x \in X$ . A subset N of X is said to be a gbsb\*-neighbourhood (shortly, gbsb\*-nbhd) of x if there exists a gbsb\*-open set U such that  $x \in U \subseteq N$ .

**Definition 6.2:** A subset N of a space X, is called a gbsb\*-nbhd of  $A \subseteq X$  if there exists a gbsb\*-open set U such that  $A \subseteq U \subseteq N$ .

**Theorem 6.3:** Every nbhd N of  $x \in X$  is a gbsb\*-nbhd of x.

**Proof:** Let N be an nbhd of point  $x \in X$ . Then there exists an open set U such that  $x \in U \subseteq N$ . Since every open set is gbsb\*-open, U is a gbsb\*-open set such that  $x \in U \subseteq N$ . This implies, N is a gbsb\*-nbhd of x.

**Remark 6.4:** The converse of the above theorem need not be true which is shown in the following example.

**Example 6.5:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with topology  $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{b, c, d\}, X\}$ . In this topological space  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $gbsb^*-O(X) = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, X\}$ . The set  $\{b, d\}$  is the gbsb\*-nbhd of d, since  $\{b, d\}$  is gbsb\*-open set such that  $d \in \{b, d\} \subseteq \{b, d\}$ . However, the set  $\{b, d\}$  is not a nbhd of the point d.

**Remark 6.6:** Every gbsb\*-open set is a gbsb\*-nbhd of each of its points.

**Theorem 6.7:** If F is a gbsb\*-closed subset of X and  $x \in X \setminus F$ , then there exists a gbsb\*-nbhd N of x such that  $N \cap F = \phi$ .

**Proof:** Let F be gbsb\*-closed subset of X and  $x \in X \setminus F$ . Then  $X \setminus F$  is gbsb\*-open set of X. By Remark 6.6,  $X \setminus F$  contains a gbsb\*-nbhd of each of its points. Hence there exists a gbsb\*-nbhd N of x such that  $N \subseteq X \setminus F$ . Hence  $N \cap F = \phi$ .

**Definition 6.8:** The collection of all gbsb\*-neighborhoods of  $x \in X$  is called the gbsb\*-neighborhood system of x and is denoted by  $gbsb^*-N(x)$ .

**Theorem 6.9:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $x \in X$ . Then

- (i)  $gbsb^*-N(x) \neq \phi$  and  $x \in$  each member of  $gbsb^*-N(x)$
- (ii) If  $N \in gbsb^*-N(x)$  and  $N \subseteq M$ , then  $M \in gbsb^*-N(x)$ .
- (iii) Each member  $N \in gbsb^*-N(x)$  is a superset of a member  $G \in gbsb^*-N(x)$  where G is a gbsb\*-open set.

**Proof:**

- (i) Since X is gbsb\*-open set containing x, it is a gbsb\*-nbhd of every  $x \in X$ . Thus for each  $x \in X$ , there exists atleast one gbsb\*-nbhd, namely X. Therefore,  $gbsb^*-N(x) \neq \phi$ . Let  $N \in gbsb^*-N(x)$ . Then N is a gbsb\*-nbhd of x. Hence there exists a gbsb\*-open set G such that  $x \in G \subseteq N$ , so  $x \in N$ . Therefore  $x \in$  every member N of  $gbsb^*-N(x)$ .
- (ii) If  $N \in gbsb^*-N(x)$ , then there is a gbsb\*-open set G such that  $x \in G \subseteq N$ . Since  $N \subseteq M$ , M is gbsb\*-nbhd of x. Hence  $M \in gbsb^*-N(x)$ .
- (iii) Let  $N \in gbsb^*-N(x)$ . Then there is a gbsb\*-open set G, such that  $x \in G \subseteq N$ . Since G is gbsb\*-open and  $x \in G$ , G is gbsb\*-nbhd of x. Therefore  $G \in gbsb^*-N(x)$  and also  $G \subseteq N$ .

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