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# 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, Andrjivic [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, cl(A) and 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  $A \subseteq cl(int(A))$  and semi-closed if  $int(cl(A)) \subseteq A$ .
- 2.  $\alpha$ -open [13] if  $A \subseteq int(cl(int(A)))$  and  $\alpha$ -closed if  $cl(int(cl(A))) \subseteq A$ .
- 3. pre-open [14] if  $A \subseteq int(cl(A))$  and pre-closed if  $cl(int(A)) \subseteq A$ .
- 4. b-open [16] if  $A \subseteq int(cl(A)) \cup cl(int(A))$  and b-closed if  $int(cl(A)) \cap cl(int(A)) \subseteq A$ .
- 5. regular open [1] if int(cl(A))=A and regular closed if cl(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 bcl(A) (resp.pcl(A), scl(A),  $\alpha$ 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 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 Aof 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  $cl(A) \subset U$  whenever  $A \subset U$  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  $bcl(A) \subset U$  whenever  $A \subset U$  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  $pcl(A) \subset U$  whenever  $A \subset U$  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 preopen. 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-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  $gbsb^*$ - $C(X, \tau)$ .

### 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, 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  $\{a, b, d\}$  isgp-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.

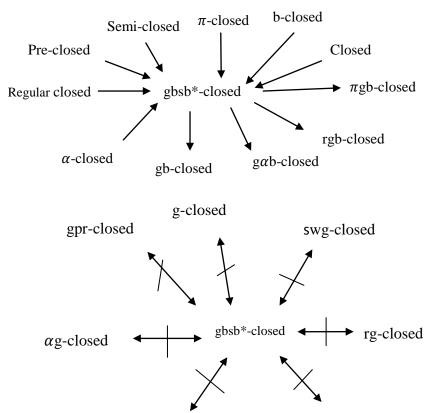
## **Theorem 3.14:** Let A be a subset of a space $(X,\tau)$ . Then

- (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.

gp-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  $F \subseteq bcl(A) \cap (X \setminus bcl(A)) = \phi$ . Hence  $bcl(A) \setminus A$  does not contain any non-empty sb\*-closed sets.

wg-closed

**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 \cdot 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)\A is sb\*-closed.

**Proof:** Necessity: Since A is b-closed, bcl(A)=A. Then  $bcl(A)\setminus A=\phi$ , which is asb\*-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,  $bcl(A)\setminus A=\phi$ . 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  $gbsb*-closed iffbcl(A)\subseteq sb*-ker(A)$ .

# **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,  $x \notin bcl(A)$ , which is a contradiction to  $x \in bcl(A)$ . 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  $X_1 \cap bcl(A) \subseteq A$ .

 $\begin{array}{lll} \textbf{Sufficiency:} & \text{Let} & X_1 \cap bcl(A) \subseteq A. & \text{Then} & X_1 \cap bcl(A) \subseteq sb^*-ker(A). & \text{Now,} & bcl(A) = & X \cap bcl(A) = (X_1 \cap bcl(A)) \cup (X_2 \cap bcl(A)) \subseteq sb^*-ker(A). & \text{Then by Theorem 4.9, A is gbsb*-closed.} \\ \end{array}$ 

**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  $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$ . 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  $A=\cap A_i$ . Since  $A\subseteq A_i$ , for each i, then  $bcl(A)\subseteq bcl(A_i)$ . That implies,  $X_1\cap bcl(A)\subseteq X_1\cap bcl(A_i)$ . Since each  $A_i$  is  $gbsb^*$ -closed, then by Theorem 4.12,  $X_1\cap bcl(A_i)\subseteq A_i$ , for each i. Now,  $X_1\cap bcl(A)=X_1\cap bcl(A)\subseteq A_i\cap bcl(A_i)\subseteq A_i=A$ . Again by Theorem 4.12, A is  $gbsb^*$ -closed.

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

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

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

- (i) Since cl(int(A)) is closed, then by Theorem 3.2, cl(int(A)) is gbsb\*-closed. By Theorem 4.15 and Lemma 2.6, sint(A) is gbsb\*-closed.
- (ii) Suppose A is regular open. Then int(cl(A))=A. By Lemma 2.6, scl(A)=A. Since A is gbsb\*-closed, then scl(A) is gbsb\*-closed. Similarly pint(A) is gbsb\*-closed.
- (iii) If A is regular closed, then cl(int(A))=A. By Lemma 2.6, 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 gbsb\*-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  $F\subseteq bint(A)$ , 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  $bcl(X \setminus A) \subseteq X \setminus F$ . This implies that  $X \setminus bint(A) \subseteq X \setminus F$ . Hence  $F \subseteq bint(A)$ .

**Sufficiency:** If F is  $sb^*$ -closed set such that  $F\subseteq bint(A)$  whenever  $F\subseteq A$ . It follows that  $X\setminus A\subseteq X\setminus F$  and  $X\setminus bint(A)\subseteq X\setminus F$ . Therefore  $bcl(X\setminus A)\subseteq X\setminus F$ . 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  $bint(A)\subseteq B\subseteq A$ , then B is  $gbsb^*$ -open.

**Proof:** If  $bint(A) \subseteq B \subseteq A$  then,  $X \setminus A \subseteq X \setminus B$  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 bint(A) $\cup$ (X\G) $\subseteq$  G then X= G.

**Proof:** Suppose that G is  $sb^*$ -open and  $bint(A) \cup (X \setminus G) \subseteq G$ . This implies,  $X \setminus G \subseteq (X \setminus bint(A)) \cap A = bcl(X \setminus A) \setminus (X \setminus A)$ . Since  $X \setminus A$  is  $gbsb^*$ -closed and  $X \setminus G$  is  $sb^*$ -closed, then by Theorem 4.1,  $X \setminus G = \phi$ . 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  $\tau = \{\phi, \{a,b\}, \{a,b,c\}, X\}$ . In this topological space  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $gbsb^*-O(X) = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a,c\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b,c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a,c,d\}, \{b, c d\}, X\}$ . 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 bint(B)  $\subseteq$ A, then A $\cap$ B is gbsb\*-open.

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

**Theorem 5.8:** If a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , let  $\tau_{gbsb*} = \{U \in gbsb* - O(X, \tau) / U \cap A \in gbsb* - O(X, \tau) \}$  for all  $A \in gbsb* - O(X, \tau) \}$ . Then  $\tau_{gbsb*}$  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 exsits 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 an 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 bhd 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∈X. Thus for each x∈X, there exists at least one gbsb\*-nbhd, namely X. Therefore, gbsb\*-N(x)≠ φ. Let N∈gbsb\*-N(x). Then N is a gbsb\*-nbhd of x. Hence there exists a gbsb\*-open set G such that x∈G⊆N, so x ∈ N. Therefore x∈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  $gbsb^*-open$  and  $gbsb^*-open$  and

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