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**OPERATION- $b$ -OPEN SETS IN TOPOLOGICAL SPACES**

ABSTRACT. In this paper we have introduced the concept of  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open sets and studied some of their properties.

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**1. Introduction**

Generalized open sets play a very important role in General Topology and they are now the research topics of many topologists worldwide. Indeed a significant theme in General Topology and Real analysis concerns the various modified forms of continuity, separation axioms etc. by utilizing generalized open sets. Kasahara [2] defined the concept of an operation on topological spaces and introduce the concept of  $\gamma$ -closed graphs of a function. Ogata [5] introduced the notion  $\gamma$ -open sets in a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ . In this paper, we have introduced and studied the notion of  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open sets by using operation  $\gamma$  on a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ .

**2. Preliminaries**

The closure and the interior of  $A$  of  $X$  are denoted by  $\text{Cl}(A)$  and  $\text{Int}(A)$ , respectively. A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is said to be  $b$ -open [1]  $A \subset \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(A)) \cup \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(A))$ .

**Definition 1.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space. An operation  $\gamma$  [2] on the topology  $\tau$  is a mapping from  $\tau$  into a power set  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  of  $X$  such that  $V \subset V^\gamma$  for each  $V \in \tau$ , where  $V^\gamma$  denotes the value of  $\gamma$  at  $V$ . It is denoted by  $\gamma : \tau \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ .

**Definition 2.** A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $\gamma$ -open [5] set if for each  $x \in A$  there exists an open set  $U$  such that  $x \in U$  and  $U^\gamma \subset A$ .  $\tau_\gamma$  denotes set of all  $\gamma$ -open sets in  $(X, \tau)$ . The complement of  $\gamma$ -open set is called  $\gamma$ -closed.

**Definition 3** ([5]). Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $A \subset X$ , then  $\tau_\gamma \text{Cl}(A) = \bigcap \{F : A \subset F, X \setminus F \in \tau_\gamma\}$ .

**Definition 4.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space. An operation  $\gamma$  is said to be regular if, for every open neighborhood  $U$  and  $V$  of each  $x \in X$ , there exists an open neighborhood  $W$  of  $x$  such that  $W^\gamma \subset U^\gamma \cap V^\gamma$ .

**Definition 5.** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be  $\gamma$ -regular, where  $\gamma$  is an operation on  $\tau$ , if for each  $x \in X$  and for each open neighborhood  $V$  of  $x$ , there exists an open neighborhood  $U$  of  $x$  such that  $U^\gamma$  contained in  $V$ .

**Definition 6.** Let  $A$  be any subset of  $X$ . The  $\tau_\gamma$ -Int( $A$ ) is defined as  $\tau_\gamma\text{-Int}(A) = \bigcup \{U : U \text{ is a } \gamma\text{-open set and } U \subset A\}$ .

**Definition 7.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $\gamma$  be an operation on  $\tau$ . A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is said to be:

- (i)  $\gamma$ -preopen [3] if  $A \subset \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(A))$ .
- (ii)  $\gamma$ -semiopen [4] if  $A \subset \tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A))$ .

The complement of  $\gamma$ -preopen (resp.  $\gamma$ -semiopen) set is called  $\gamma$ -preclosed (resp.  $\gamma$ -semiclosed).

**Definition 8.** Let  $A$  be subset of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  and  $\gamma$  be an operation on  $\tau$ . Then

- (i) the  $\tau_\gamma$ -preclosure of  $A$  is defined as intersection of all  $\gamma$ -preclosed sets containing  $A$ . That is,  $\tau_\gamma\text{-pCl}(A) = \bigcap \{F : F \text{ is } \gamma\text{-preclosed and } A \subset F\}$ .
- (ii) the  $\tau_\gamma$ -preinterior of  $A$  is defined as union of all  $\gamma$ -preopen sets contained in  $A$ . That is,  $\tau_\gamma\text{-pInt}(A) = \bigcup \{U : U \text{ is } \gamma\text{-preopen and } U \subset A\}$ .

The notions  $\tau_\gamma$ -semiclosure (briefly  $\tau_\gamma\text{-sCl}(A)$ ) and  $\tau_\gamma$ -semiinterior (briefly  $\tau_\gamma\text{-sInt}(A)$ ) of a set  $A$  are similarly defined.

### 3. $\gamma$ -b-open sets

**Definition 9.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $\gamma$  be an operation on  $\tau$ . A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is said to be  $\gamma$ -b-open if  $A \subset \tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A)) \cup \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(A))$ .

**Remark 1.** The set of all  $\gamma$ -b-open sets of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is denoted as  $\tau_\gamma - \text{BO}(X)$ .

**Example 1.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$ . Define an operation  $\gamma$  on  $\tau$  as follows:  $A^\gamma = A$  if  $A = \{a\}$  and  $A^\gamma = A \cup \{c\}$  if  $A \neq \{a\}$ . Then  $\tau_\gamma = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$  and  $\tau_\gamma - \text{BO}(X) = \mathcal{P}(X) \setminus \{\{b\}\}$ .

**Theorem 1.** If  $A$  is a  $\gamma$ -open set in  $(X, \tau)$ , then it is  $\gamma$ -b-open set.

**Proof.** Proof follows from the Definition 9 and Remark 3.8 of [4]. ■

**Remark 2.** The converse of the above Theorem need not be true. From the Example 1, we have  $\{a, b\}$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open set but it is not  $\gamma$ -open.

**Remark 3.** By Theorem 1 and Remark 2, we have  $\tau_\gamma \subset \tau_\gamma\text{-}BO(X, \tau)$ .

**Remark 4.** The concept of  $b$ -open set and  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open set are independent.

**Example 2.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}\}$  define an operation  $\gamma : \tau \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$  as  $A^\gamma = A$  if  $b \in A$ ,  $A^\gamma = \text{Cl}(A)$  if  $b \notin A$ . Then  $\{a\}$  is a  $b$ -open set but not  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open. In Example 1,  $\{b, c\}$  is a  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open set but not  $b$ -open.

**Theorem 2.** *If  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\gamma$ -regular space, then the concept of  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open and  $b$ -open coincide.*

**Proof.** By Proposition 2.4 of [4] and Remark 3.8 of [4]. ■

**Theorem 3.** *Let  $\gamma : \tau \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$  be an operation on  $\tau$  and  $\{A_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Delta}$  be the collection of  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open sets of  $(X, \tau)$ , then  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_\alpha$  is also a  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open set.*

**Proof.** Since each  $A_\alpha$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open and  $A_\alpha \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_\alpha$ , implies that  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_\alpha \subset \tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_\alpha)) \cup \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_\alpha))$ . Hence  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_\alpha$  is also a  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open set in  $(X, \tau)$ . ■

**Remark 5.** If  $A$  and  $B$  are any two  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open sets in  $(X, \tau)$ , then the Example 1, shows that  $A \cap B$  need not be  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ . In this case take  $A = \{a, b\}$  and  $B = \{b, c\}$ , both are  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open set but  $A \cap B = \{b\}$  is not a  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open set.

**Definition 10.** *Let  $A$  be subset of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  and  $\gamma$  be an operation on  $\tau$ . Then a subset  $A$  of  $X$  is said to be  $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed if and only if  $X \setminus A$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open, equivalently a subset  $A$  of  $X$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed if and only if  $\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A)) \cap \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(A)) \subset A$ .*

**Remark 6.** The set of all  $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed sets of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is denoted as  $\tau_\gamma - BC(X)$ .

**Definition 11.** *Let  $A$  be subset of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  and  $\gamma$  be an operation on  $\tau$ . Then*

- (i) *the  $\tau_\gamma$ - $b$ -closure of  $A$  is defined as intersection of all  $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed sets containing  $A$ . That is,  $\tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(A) = \bigcap \{F : F \text{ is } \gamma\text{-}b\text{-closed and } A \subset F\}$ .*
- (ii) *the  $\tau_\gamma$ - $b$ -interior of  $A$  is defined as union of all  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open sets contained in  $A$ . That is,  $\tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Int}(A) = \bigcup \{U : U \text{ is } \gamma\text{-}b\text{-open and } U \subset A\}$ .*

**Theorem 4.** *Let  $A$  be subset of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  and  $\gamma$  be an operation on  $\tau$ . Then*

- (i)  $\tau_\gamma$ -bInt( $A$ ) is a  $\gamma$ -b-open set contained in  $A$ .
- (ii)  $\tau_\gamma$ -bCl( $A$ ) is a  $\gamma$ -b-closed set containing  $A$ .
- (iii)  $A$  is  $\gamma$ -b-closed if and only if  $\tau_\gamma$ -bCl( $A$ ) =  $A$ .
- (iv)  $A$  is  $\gamma$ -b-open if and only if  $\tau_\gamma$ -bInt( $A$ ) =  $A$ .

**Remark 7.** From the definitions, we have  $A \subset \tau_\gamma$ -bCl( $A$ )  $\subset$   $\tau_\gamma$ -Cl( $A$ ) for any subset  $A$  of  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 5.** *For a point  $x \in X$ ,  $x \in \tau_\gamma$ -bCl( $A$ ) if and only if for all  $\gamma$ -b-open set  $V$  of  $X$  containing  $x$ ,  $V \cap A \neq \emptyset$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $F$  be the set of all  $y \in X$  such that  $V \cap A \neq \emptyset$  for every  $V \in \tau_\gamma$ -BO( $X$ ) and  $y \in V$ . Now to prove the theorem it is enough to prove that  $F = \tau_\gamma$ -bCl( $A$ ). Let  $x \in \tau_\gamma$ -bCl( $A$ ). Let us assume  $x \notin F$ , then there exists a  $\gamma$ -b-open set  $U$  of  $x$  such that  $U \cap A = \emptyset$ . This implies  $A \subset U^c$ . Hence  $\tau_\gamma$ -bCl( $A$ )  $\subset U^c$ . Therefore  $x \notin \tau_\gamma$ -bCl( $A$ ). This is a contradiction. Hence  $\tau_\gamma$ -bCl( $A$ )  $\subset F$ . Conversely, let  $F$  be a set such that  $A \subset F$  and  $X \setminus F \in \tau_\gamma$ -BO( $X$ ). Let  $x \notin F$ , then we have  $x \in X \setminus F$  and  $(X \setminus F) \cap A = \emptyset$ . This implies  $x \notin F$ . Hence  $F \subset \tau_\gamma$ -bCl( $A$ ). ■

**Theorem 6** ([3]). *Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $\gamma$  be a regular operation on  $\tau$  and  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ . Then the following holds:*

- (i)  $\tau_\gamma$ -pCl( $A$ ) =  $A \cup \tau_\gamma$ -Cl( $\tau_\gamma$ -Int( $A$ )).
- (ii)  $\tau_\gamma$ -pInt( $A$ ) =  $A \cap \tau_\gamma$ -Int( $\tau_\gamma$ -Cl( $A$ )).

**Theorem 7.** *Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $\gamma$  be a regular operation on  $\tau$  and  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ . Then the following holds good:*

- (i)  $\tau_\gamma$ -sCl( $A$ ) =  $A \cup \tau_\gamma$ -Int( $\tau_\gamma$ -Cl( $A$ )).
- (ii)  $\tau_\gamma$ -sInt( $A$ ) =  $A \cap \tau_\gamma$ -Cl( $\tau_\gamma$ -Int( $A$ )).

**Proof.** The proof is similar to the Theorem 2.31 of [3]. ■

**Theorem 8.** *Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $\gamma$  be a regular operation on  $\tau$  and  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ . Then  $\tau_\gamma$ -bCl( $A$ ) =  $\tau_\gamma$ -pCl( $A$ )  $\cap$   $\tau_\gamma$ -sCl( $A$ ).*

**Proof.** The proof follows from Theorems 6 and 7. ■

**Theorem 9.** *Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $\gamma$  be a regular operation on  $\tau$  and  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ . Then  $\tau_\gamma$ -bInt( $A$ ) =  $\tau_\gamma$ -pInt( $A$ )  $\cup$   $\tau_\gamma$ -sInt( $A$ ).*

**Proof.** The proof follows from Theorem 8. ■

**Theorem 10.** *Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $\gamma$  be a regular operation on  $\tau$  and  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ . Then the following hold:*

- (i)  $V$  is  $\gamma$ -preopen if and only if  $V \subset \tau_\gamma - p \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(V))$ ;  
(ii)  $V$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open if and only if  $V \subset \tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - p \text{Int}(V))$ .

**Proof.** (i) Let  $V$  be  $\gamma$ -preopen. Then  $\tau_\gamma - p \text{Int}(V) = V$  and also  $V \subset \tau_\gamma - p \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(V))$ . Conversely, let  $V \subset \tau_\gamma - p \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(V))$ . Then  $V \subset \tau_\gamma - p \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(V)) = \tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(V) \cap \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(V))) = \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(V))$ . Hence,  $V$  is  $\gamma$ -preopen.

(ii) Let  $V$  be  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open. Then  $V \subset \tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(V)) \cup \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(V)) \subset (\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(V)) \cup \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(V))) \cap V = (\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(V)) \cap V) \cup (\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(V)) \cap V) \subset \tau_\gamma - p \text{Int}(V) \cup (\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(V))) = \tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - p \text{Int}(V))$  by Theorem 2.33 of [3]. Conversely, suppose  $V \subset \tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - p \text{Int}(V))$ . By Theorem 2.33 of [3], we have  $V \subset \tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - p \text{Int}(V)) = \tau_\gamma - p \text{Int}(V) \cup \tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(V)) = (V \cap \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(V))) \cup \tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(V)) \subset \tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(V)) \cup \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(V))$ . Hence,  $V$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open.  $\blacksquare$

**Theorem 11.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $\gamma$  be a regular operation on  $\tau$  and  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ . Then the following hold:

- (i)  $\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A)) = \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A)))$ .  
(ii)  $\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(A)) = \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A)))$ .  
(iii)  $\tau_\gamma - b \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(A)) = \tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - b \text{Int}(A))$   
 $= \tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(A)))$ .  
(iv)  $\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - s \text{Int}(A)) = \tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - s \text{Int}(A))$ .  
(v)  $\tau_\gamma - p \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(A)) = \tau_\gamma - p \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - p \text{Int}(A))$ .  
(vi)  $\tau_\gamma - s \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(A)) = \tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A)) \cap \tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(A)$ .  
(vii)  $\tau_\gamma - b \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(A)) = \tau_\gamma - s \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(A))$ .  
(viii)  $\tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - b \text{Int}(A)) = \tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - p \text{Int}(A))$ .  
(ix)  $\tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - b \text{Int}(A)) = \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(A)) \cup \tau_\gamma - s \text{Int}(A)$ .

**Proof.** (i) By Theorem 8, we obtain  $\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A)) = \tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A)) \cap \tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A)) = (\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A) \cup \tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A)))) \cap (\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A) \cup \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A)))) = \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A) \cup (\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A) \cup \tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A))) \cap (\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A) \cup \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A)))) = \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A) \cup (\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A) \cup \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A)))) = \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A)))$ .

(ii) By Theorem 8, we obtain  $\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(A)) = \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(A) \cap \tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(A)) = \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(A)) \cap \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(A)) = \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A))) \cap \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(A)) = \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A)))$ .

(iii) Follows from (i) and (ii).

(iv) By Theorem 8, we obtain  $\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - s \text{Int}(A)) = \tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - s \text{Int}(A)) \cap \tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - s \text{Int}(A)) = \tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A)) \cap (\tau_\gamma - s \text{Int} \cup \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A)))) = \tau_\gamma - s \text{Int}(A) \cup \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A))) = \tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - s \text{Int}(A))$ .

(v) By Theorem 8, we always have  $\tau_\gamma - p \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(A)) \subset \tau_\gamma - p \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(A))$ . Conversely, by Theorem 2.33 of [3], we obtain  $\tau_\gamma - p \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(A)) = \tau_\gamma - p \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(A) \cap \tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(A)) = \tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(A) \cap \tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(A) \cap \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(A) \cap \tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(A))) \supset \tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(A) \cap \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(A)) \cap \tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(A) \cap \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(A) \cap \tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(A))) = \tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(A) \cap \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(A)) \cap \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(A) \cap \tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(A))) = \tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(A) \cap \tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(A)) = \tau_\gamma - p \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - p \text{Int}(A))$ .

(vi) Let  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ . By Theorem 8,  $\tau_\gamma - s \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(A)) \subset \tau_\gamma - s \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(A)) = \tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A))$  and  $\tau_\gamma - s \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(A)) \subset \tau_\gamma - s \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(A)) \subset \tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(A)$ . Thus,  $\tau_\gamma - s \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(A)) = \tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A)) \cap \tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(A)$ . Conversely, By Theorem 8,  $\tau_\gamma - s \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(A)) = \tau_\gamma - s \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(A) \cap \tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(A)) = \tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(A) \cap \tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(A) \cap \tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(A) \cap \tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(A))) \supset \tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(A) \cap \tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A)) \cap \tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(A) \cap \tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(A) \cap \tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(A))) = \tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A)) \cap \tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(A) \cap \tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(\tau_\gamma - p \text{Cl}(A) \cap \tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(A))) = \tau_\gamma - s \text{Cl}(A) \cap \tau_\gamma - \text{Cl}(\tau_\gamma - \text{Int}(A))$ .

(vii), (viii) and (ix) follows from (iv), (v) and (vi), respectively.  $\blacksquare$

**Definition 12.** A subset  $A$  of  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be  $\gamma$ - $b$ -generalized closed if  $\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(A) \subset U$  whenever  $A \subset U$  and  $U$  is a  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Definition 13.** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be  $\gamma$ - $b$ - $T_{1/2}$  if every  $\gamma$ - $b$ -generalized closed set in  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed.

**Theorem 12.** A subset  $A$  of  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -generalized closed if and only if  $\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \emptyset$  holds for every  $x \in \tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(A)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $U$  be  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open set such that  $A \subset U$ . Let  $x \in \tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(A)$ . By assumption there exists  $z \in \tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(\{x\})$  and  $z \in A \subset U$ . It follows from Theorem 5 that  $U \cap \{x\} \neq \emptyset$ . Hence  $x \in U$ . This implies  $\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(A) \subset U$ . Therefore  $A$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -generalized closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Conversely, suppose  $x \in \tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(A)$  such that  $\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(\{x\}) \cap A = \emptyset$ . Since  $\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(\{x\})$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $(\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(\{x\}))^c$  is a  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open set of  $(X, \tau)$ . Since  $A \subset (\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(\{x\}))^c$  and  $A$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -generalized closed,  $\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(A) \subset (\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(\{x\}))^c$ . This implies that  $x \notin \tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(A)$ . This is a contradiction. Hence  $\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ .  $\blacksquare$

**Theorem 13.**  $A$  is a  $\gamma$ - $b$ -generalized closed subset of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , if and only if  $\tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(A) \setminus A$  does not contain a nonempty  $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed set.

**Proof.** Suppose there exists a nonempty  $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed set  $F$  such that  $F \subset \tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(A) \setminus A$ . Let  $x \in F$ ,  $x \in \tau_\gamma - b \text{Cl}(A)$  holds. Then  $F \cap A =$

$\tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(F) \cap A \supset \tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ . Hence  $F \cap A \neq \emptyset$ . This is a contradiction.

Conversely, suppose that  $\tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(A) \setminus A$  does not contain a nonempty  $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed set. Let  $A \subset U$  and  $U$  a  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open set in  $(X, \tau)$ , then  $X \setminus U \subseteq X \setminus A$ , follows  $\tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(A) \cap (X \setminus U) \subseteq \tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(A) \cap (X \setminus A) = \tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(A) \setminus A$ . If we take  $F = \tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(A) \cap (X \setminus U)$ ,  $F$  is a  $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed set and  $F \subseteq \tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(A) \setminus A$ . Therefore  $F = \emptyset$ , in consequence,  $\tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(A) \subseteq U$  and follows that  $A$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -generalized closed set. ■

**Theorem 14.** *Let  $\gamma : \tau \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$  be an operation. Then for each  $x \in X$ ,  $\{x\}$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed or  $\{x\}^c$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -generalized closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ .*

**Proof.** Suppose that  $\{x\}$  is not  $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed, then  $X \setminus \{x\}$  is not  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open. Let  $U$  be any  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open set such that  $\{x\}^c \subset U$ . Since  $U = X$ ,  $\tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(\{x\}^c) \subset U$ . Therefore,  $\{x\}^c$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -generalized closed. ■

**Theorem 15.** *A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ - $T_{1/2}$  space if and only if every singleton subset of  $X$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed or  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $x \in X$ . Suppose  $\{x\}$  is not  $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed. Then, it follows from assumption and Theorem 14 that  $\{x\}$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open. Conversely, Let  $F$  be a  $\gamma$ - $b$ -generalized closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Let  $x$  be any point in  $\tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(F)$ , then by assumption  $\{x\}$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open or  $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed.

**Case (i):** Suppose  $\{x\}$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open. Then by Theorem 12 we have  $\{x\} \cap F \neq \emptyset$ , hence  $x \in F$ .

**Case (ii):** Suppose  $\{x\}$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed. Assume  $x \notin F$ , then  $x \in \tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(F) \setminus F$ . This is not possible by Theorem 13. Thus, we have  $x \in F$ . Therefore,  $\tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(F) = F$  and hence  $F$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed. ■

#### 4. $(\alpha, \beta)$ - $b$ -Continuous functions

Throughout this section let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \sigma)$  be two topological spaces and let  $\gamma : \tau \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$  and  $\beta : \sigma \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(Y)$  be operations on  $\tau$  and  $\sigma$ , respectively.

**Definition 14.** *A function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is said to be  $(\alpha, \beta)$ - $b$ -continuous if for each  $x \in X$  and each  $\beta$ - $b$ -open set  $V$  containing  $f(x)$  there exists a  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open set  $U$  such that  $x \in U$  and  $f(U) \subset V$ .*

**Theorem 16.** *Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ - $b$ -continuous function. Then the following hold:*

- (i)  $f(\tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(A)) \subset \sigma_\beta\text{-}b\text{Cl}(f(A))$  holds for every subset  $A$  of  $(X, \tau)$ .
- (ii) for every  $\beta$ - $b$ -closed set  $B$  of  $(Y, \sigma)$ ,  $f^{-1}(B)$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proof.** (i). Let  $y \in f(\tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(A))$  and  $V$  be any  $\beta$ - $b$ -open set containing  $y$ . Then there exists  $x \in X$  and  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open set  $U$  such that  $f(x) = y$  and  $x \in U$  and  $f(U) \subset V$ . Since  $x \in \tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(A)$ , we have  $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$  and hence  $\emptyset \neq f(U \cap A) \subset f(U) \cap f(A) \subset V \cap A$ . This implies  $x \in \sigma_\beta\text{-}b\text{Cl}(f(A))$ . Therefore we have  $f(\tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(A)) \subset \sigma_\beta\text{-}b\text{Cl}(f(A))$ . (ii). Let  $B$  be a  $\beta$ - $b$ -closed set in  $(Y, \sigma)$ . Therefore,  $\sigma_\beta\text{-}b\text{Cl}(B) = B$ . By using (i) we have  $f(\tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(f^{-1}(B))) \subset \sigma_\beta\text{-}b\text{Cl}(B) = B$ . Therefore, we have  $\tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(f^{-1}(B)) = f^{-1}(B)$ . Hence  $f^{-1}(B)$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed. ■

**Definition 15.** A function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is said to be  $(\alpha, \beta)$ - $b$ -closed if for any  $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed set  $A$  of  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $f(A)$  is a  $\beta$ - $b$ -closed in  $Y$ .

**Theorem 17.** Suppose that  $f$  is  $(\alpha, \beta)$ - $b$ -continuous function and  $f$  is  $(\alpha, \beta)$ - $b$ -closed. Then,

- (i) for every  $\gamma$ - $b$ -generalized closed set  $A$  of  $(X, \tau)$ , the image  $f(A)$  is  $\beta$ - $b$ -generalized closed.
- (ii) for every  $\beta$ - $b$ -generalized closed set  $B$  of  $(Y, \sigma)$ ,  $f^{-1}(B)$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -generalized closed.

**Proof.** (i) Let  $V$  be any  $\beta$ - $b$ -open set in  $(Y, \sigma)$  such that  $f(A) \subset V$ . By using Theorem 16(ii),  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ . Since  $A$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -generalized closed and  $A \subset f^{-1}(V)$ , we have  $\tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(A) \subset f^{-1}(V)$ , and hence  $f(\tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(A)) \subset V$ . It follows that  $f(\tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(A))$  is a  $\beta$ - $b$ -closed set in  $Y$ . Therefore,  $\sigma_\beta\text{-}b\text{Cl}(f(A)) \subset \sigma_\beta\text{-}b\text{Cl}(f(\tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(A))) = f(\tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(A)) \subset V$ . This implies  $f(A)$  is  $\beta$ - $b$ -generalized closed.

(ii) Let  $U$  be a  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open set of  $(X, \tau)$  such that  $f^{-1}(B) \subset U$ . Put  $F = \tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \cap U^c$ . It follows that  $F$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Since  $f$  is  $(\alpha, \beta)$ - $b$ -closed,  $f(F)$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed in  $(Y, \sigma)$ . Then  $f(F) \subset f(\tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \cap U^c) \subset \sigma_\beta\text{-}b\text{Cl}(f(f^{-1}(B)) \cap f(U^c)) \subset \tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(B) \setminus B$ . This implies  $f(F) = \emptyset$ , and hence  $F = \emptyset$ . Therefore,  $\tau_\gamma\text{-}b\text{Cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \subset U$ . Hence  $f^{-1}(B)$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -generalized closed in  $(X, \tau)$ . ■

**Theorem 18.** Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is  $(\alpha, \beta)$ - $b$ -continuous and  $(\alpha, \beta)$ - $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed. Then,

- (i) If  $f$  is injective and  $(Y, \sigma)$  is  $\beta$ - $b$ - $T_{1/2}$ , then  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ - $T_{1/2}$  space.
- (ii) If  $f$  is surjective and  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ - $T_{1/2}$ , then  $(Y, \sigma)$  is  $\beta$ - $b$ - $T_{1/2}$ .

**Proof.** Straightforward. ■

**Definition 16.** A function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is said to be  $(\alpha, \beta)$ - $b$ -homeomorphism, if  $f$  is bijective,  $(\alpha, \beta)$ - $b$ -continuous and  $f^{-1}$  is  $(\alpha, \beta)$ - $b$ -continuous.

**Theorem 19.** Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be  $(\alpha, \beta)$ - $b$ -homeomorphism. If  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ - $T_{1/2}$ , then  $(Y, \sigma)$  is  $\beta$ - $b$ - $T_{1/2}$ .



**Proof.** Let  $\{y\}$  be a singleton set of  $(Y, \sigma)$ . Then, there exists a point  $x$  of  $X$  such that  $y = f(x)$  and by Theorem 15 that  $\{x\}$  is  $\gamma$ - $b$ -open or  $\gamma$ - $b$ -closed. By using Theorem 17(i), then  $\{y\}$  is  $\beta$ - $b$ -closed or  $\beta$ - $b$ -open. Now using Theorem 15,  $(Y, \sigma)$  is  $\beta$ - $b$ - $T_{1/2}$  space. ■

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