A note on  $\delta \alpha - I - open \ sets$  and  $semi^* - I - open \ sets$ ESREF HATIR<sup>1,\*</sup>

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we investigated some properties of a  $\delta \alpha - I - open$  set [6] and a  $semi^* - I - open$  set [6] in ideal topological spaces. Moreover, the relationships of other related classes of sets are investigated. Also, a new decomposition of continuous functions is obtained by using  $\delta - \beta - I - continuous$  and  $S^* - continuous$  functions.

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## 1. Introduction and preliminaries

Ideals in topologial spaces have been considered since 1930. This topic has won its importance by Vaidyanathaswamy [13]. In this paper, we investigated some properties of a  $\delta\alpha-I-open$  set [6] and a  $semi^*-I-open$  set [6]. Moreover, the relationships of other related classes of sets are investigated. A new decomposition of continuous functions is obtained by using  $\delta-\beta-I-continuous$  and  $S^*-continuous$  functions.

Throughout this paper, spaces  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \sigma)$  (or simply X and Y), always mean topological spaces on which no separation axiom is assumed. For a subset A of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , Cl(A) and Int(A) will denote the closure and interior of A in  $(X, \tau)$ , respectively.

A subset A of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be regular open (resp. regular closed) [12] if A = Int(Cl(A)) (resp. A = Cl(Int(A))). A is called  $\delta - open$  [12] if for each  $x \in A$  there exists a regular open set G such that  $x \in G \subset A$ . The complement of a  $\delta - open$  set is called  $\delta - closed$ . A point  $x \in X$  is called a  $\delta - closet$  point of A if  $Int(Cl(U)) \cap A \neq \emptyset$  for each open set U containing x. The set of all  $\delta - closet$  points of A is called the  $\delta - closet$  of A and is denoted by  $Cl_{\delta}(A)$ . The  $\delta - interior$  of A is the union of all regular open sets of X contained in A and it is denoted by  $Int_{\delta}(A)$ . A is  $\delta - open$  if  $Int_{\delta}(A) = A$ .  $\delta - open$  sets form a topology  $\tau^{\delta}$ .

An ideal I on a topological space  $(X,\tau)$  is a nonempty collection of subsets of X which satisfies: (i)  $A \in I$  and  $B \subset A$  implies  $B \in I$ , (ii)  $A \in I$  and  $B \in I$  implies  $A \cup B \in I$ . An ideal topological space is a topological space  $(X,\tau)$  with an ideal I on X and if P(X) is the set of all subsets of X, a set operator  $(.)^*: P(X) \to P(X)$  called a local function [10] of A with respect to  $\tau$  and I is defined as follows: for  $A \subset X$ ,  $A^*(I) = \{x \in X : U \cap A \notin I \text{ for every } U \in \tau(x)\}$ , where  $\tau(x) = \{U \in \tau : x \in U\}$ . We simply write  $A^*$  instead of  $A^*(I,\tau)$ .  $X^*$  is often

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a proper subset of X. The hypothesis  $X=X^*$  [7] is equivalent to the hypothesis  $\tau\cap I=\varnothing$ . For every ideal topological space, there exists a topology  $\tau^*(I)$  or briefly  $\tau^*$ , finer than  $\tau$ , generated by  $\beta(I,\tau)=\{U\setminus I:U\in\tau \text{ and }I\in I\}$ , but in general  $\beta(I,\tau)$  is not always a topology [8]. Additionally,  $Cl^*(A)=A\cup A^*$  defines a Kuratowski closure operator for  $\tau^*(I)$ . If I is an ideal on X, then  $(X,\tau,I)$  is called an ideal topological space. A subset A of an ideal topological space  $(X,\tau,I)$  is said to be  $R_I-open$  [14] if  $A=Int(Cl^*(A))$ . A point x in an ideal space  $(X,\tau,I)$  is called a  $\delta_I-cluster$  point of A if  $Int(Cl^*(U))\cap A\neq\varnothing$  for each neighborhood U of x. The set of all  $\delta_I-cluster$  points of A is called the  $\delta_I-closure$  of A and will be denoted by  $\delta Cl_I(A)$ . A is said to be  $\delta_I-closed$  [14] if  $\delta Cl_I(A)=A$ . The complement of a  $\delta_I-closed$  set is called a  $\delta_I-open$  set.  $\delta_I-interior$  of A will be denoted by  $\delta Int_I(A)$ .  $\delta_I-open$  sets form a topology  $\tau^{\delta I}$ . Then  $\tau^\delta\subset\tau^{\delta I}\subset\tau$  holds.

**Lemma 1** (See [8]). Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal topological space and A, B subsets of X.

- (1) If  $A \subset B$ , then  $A^* \subset B^*$ .
- (2) If  $G \in \tau$ , then  $G \cap A^* \subset (G \cap A)^*$ .
- (3)  $A^* = Cl(A^*) \subset Cl(A)$ .

**Lemma 2** (See [9]). Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal topological space and A, B subsets of X such that  $B \subset A$ . Then  $B^*(\tau_{|A}, I_{|A}) = B^*(\tau, I) \cap A$ .

**Lemma 3** (See [6]). Let A be a subset of a space  $(X, \tau, I)$ . Then

- (1)  $\delta Cl_I(A) \cap U \subset \delta Cl_I(A \cap U)$ , for any  $\delta_I$  open set U in X,
- (2)  $\delta Int_I(A \cup F) \subset \delta Int_I(A) \cup F$ , for any  $\delta_I$  closed set F in X.

**Proof.** (1) For every  $x \in X$ , take  $x \in \delta Cl_I(A) \cap U$ . Then, for every  $\delta_I - open$  set V containing  $x, x \in V \cap U$  is  $\delta_I - open$  [14] and hence  $V \cap U \cap A \neq \emptyset$ . This shows that  $x \in \delta Cl_I(A \cap U)$ . Therefore we get the result.

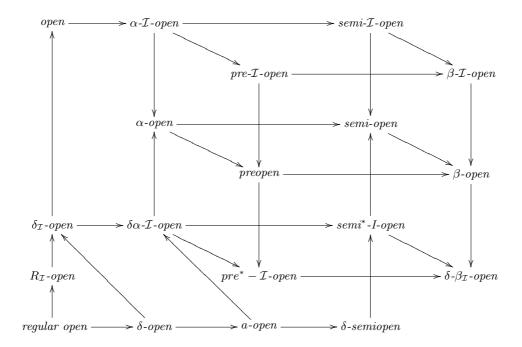
**Lemma 4** (See [6]). Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal space and A a subset of X.

- (1) If A is open, then  $\delta Cl_I(A) = Cl(A)$ ,
- (2) If A is closed, then  $\delta Int_I(A) = Int(A)$ .

**Definition 1.** A subset A of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, I)$  is called

- (1)  $\alpha$  open [1] if  $A \subset Int(Cl(Int(A)))$ ,
- (2) preopen [2] if  $A \subset Int(Cl(A))$ ,
- (3) semiopen [11] if  $A \subset Cl(Int(A))$ ,
- (4) semi I open [5] if  $A \subset Cl^*(Int(A))$ ,
- (5)  $semi^* I open$  [6] if  $A \subset Cl(\delta Int_I(A))$ ,

- (6)  $semi^* I closed if Int(\delta Cl_I(A)) \subset A$ ,
- (7)  $pre^* I open$  [3] if  $A \subset Int(\delta Cl_I(A))$ ,
- (8)  $\delta \beta_I open$  [6] if  $A \subset Cl(Int(\delta Cl_I(A)))$ ,
- (9)  $\delta \beta_I closed \ if \ Int(Cl(\delta Int_I(A))) \subset A$ ,
- (10)  $\delta \alpha I open$  [6] if  $A \subset Int(Cl(\delta Int_I(A)))$ ,
- (11) a open [4] if  $A \subset Int(Cl(Int_{\delta}(A)))$ .



Diagram

The family of all  $\delta \alpha - I - open$  (resp.  $semi^* - I - open$ ,  $pre^* - I - open$ ,  $\delta \beta_I - open$ ) sets of  $(X, \tau, I)$  is denoted by  $\delta \alpha IO(X)$  (resp.  $S^*IO(X)$ ,  $P^*IO(X)$ ,  $\delta \beta IO(X)$ ). We denote the  $\delta_I - boundary$  of A,  $\delta_I - F_r(A) = \delta Cl_I(A) - \delta Int_I(A)$ .

**Theorem 1.** A subset A of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, I)$  is  $semi^* - I - open$  if and only if  $Cl(A) = Cl(\delta Int_I(A))$ .

**Proof.** Let A be  $semi^* - I - open$ . Then we have  $A \subset Cl(\delta Int_I(A))$  and therefore  $Cl(A) \subset Cl(\delta Int_I(A))$  and hence  $Cl(\delta Int_I(A)) \subset Cl(A)$  always hold. Then  $Cl(A) = Cl(\delta Int_I(A))$ .

Conversely, by  $A \subset Cl(A) = Cl(\delta Int_I(A))$ , A is  $semi^* - I - open$ .

**Theorem 2.** A subset A of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, I)$  is  $semi^* - I - open$  if and only if for every  $\delta_I - open$  set  $U, U \subset A \subset Cl(U)$ .

**Proof.** Necessity: suppose that A is  $semi^* - I - open$ , i.e.,  $A \subset Cl(\delta Int_I(A))$ . If we take  $U = \delta Int_I(A)$ , we have  $Cl(U) = Cl(\delta Int_I(A))$  and  $U \subset A$ . Thus we have  $U \subset A \subset Cl(U)$ .

Sufficiency: Suppose that  $U \subset A \subset Cl(U)$ , for every  $\delta_I - open$  set U. If we take U = A, then A is  $semi^* - I - open$ .

**Theorem 3.** Let A be a subset of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, I)$ . The following are equivalent:

- (1)  $A \text{ is } semi^* I open,$
- (2) A is  $\delta \beta_I open$  and  $\delta Int_I(\delta_I F_r(A)) = \emptyset$ .

**Proof.** (1) $\Longrightarrow$ (2) Let A be  $semi^* - I - open$ . Then we have

$$Int(\delta Cl_I(A)) \subset \delta Cl_I(A) \subset Cl(\delta Int_I(A)),$$

(by  $\delta Int_I(A)$  is also an open set and Lemma 4). Thus

$$\delta Int_I(\delta_I - F_r(A)) = \delta Int_I(\delta Cl_I(A) \cap (X - \delta Int_I(A)))$$
  
=  $\delta Int_I(\delta Cl_I(A)) - Cl(\delta Int_I(A))$ 

and then  $\delta Int_I(\delta_I - F_r(A)) = \emptyset$ .

(2)
$$\Longrightarrow$$
(1) Let A be  $\delta\beta_I$  – open and  $\delta Int_I(\delta_I - F_r(A)) = \emptyset$ . Then

$$A \subset Cl(Int(\delta Cl_I(A))) \subset Cl(\delta Int_I(A)).$$

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 $A \text{ is } semi^* - I - open.$ 

**Theorem 4.** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal topological space. Then

$$\delta \alpha IO(X) = S^*IO(X) \cap P^*IO(X).$$

**Proof.** Let  $A \in \delta \alpha IO(X)$ . Then  $A \in S^*IO(X)$  and  $A \in P^*IO(X)$ .

Conversely, let  $A \in S^*IO(X) \cap P^*IO(X)$ . Then  $A \in S^*IO(X)$  and  $A \in P^*IO(X)$ . Since  $A \in S^*IO(X)$ , by Theorem 3,  $\delta Int_I(\delta_I - F_r(A)) = \emptyset$ . Since

$$\delta Int_I(\delta_I - F_r(A)) = \delta Int_I(\delta Cl_I(A)) \cap \delta Int_I(X - \delta Int_I(A)),$$

then  $Int(\delta Cl_I(A)) \subset Cl(\delta Int_I(A))$ . Since  $A \in P^*IO(X)$ , we have

$$A \subset Int(\delta Cl_I(A)) \subset Int(Cl(\delta Int_I(A)))$$

and therefore,  $A \in \delta \alpha IO(X)$ .

**Theorem 5** (see [6]). Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal topological space. Then, the family of  $\delta \alpha - I$  – open sets is a topology for X.

We denote this topology with  $\tau^{\delta \alpha I}$ .

**Theorem 6.** Let A and B be subsets of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, I)$ . Then the following statements hold;

- (1)  $A \in \tau^{\delta \alpha I}$  if and only if  $V \subset A \subset Int(Cl(V))$ , for every  $\delta_I$  open set V,
- (2) If  $A \in \tau^{\delta \alpha I}$  and  $A \subset B \subset Int(Cl(A))$ , then  $B \in \tau^{\delta \alpha I}$ .

**Proof**. (1) Straightforward.

(2) Since  $A \in \tau^{\delta \alpha I}$ , we have

$$B \subset Int(Cl(A)) \subset Int(Cl(Int(Cl(\delta Int_I(A)))))$$
  
$$\subset Int(Cl(\delta Int_I(A))) \subset Int(Cl(\delta Int_I(B))).$$

Thus  $B \in \tau^{\delta \alpha I}$ .

**Theorem 7.** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal topological space. If A is a semi\* -I – open and  $pre^* - I$  – open set, then  $A \cap B$  is a  $\delta \beta_I$  – open set.

**Proof.** Let A be  $semi^* - I - open$ , i.e.,  $A \subset Cl(\delta Int_I(A))$  and B be  $pre^* - I - open$ , i.e.,  $B \subset Int(\delta Cl_I(B))$ . Then

$$A \cap B = Cl(\delta Int_I(A)) \cap Int(\delta Cl_I(B))$$

$$= Cl(Int(\delta Int_I(A))) \cap Int(Int(\delta Cl_I(B)))$$

$$\subset Cl(Int(\delta Int_I(A)) \cap Int(\delta Cl_I(B)))$$

$$\subset Cl(Int(\delta Int_I(A) \cap \delta Cl_I(B)))$$

$$\subset Cl(Int(\delta Cl_I(A \cap B)))$$

**Theorem 8.** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal topological space. If A is a  $pre^* - I - open$  and B is a  $\delta \alpha - I - open$  set, then  $A \cap B$  is a  $pre^* - I - open$  set.

**Proof.** Let A be  $pre^* - I - open$ , i.e.,  $A \subset Int(\delta Cl_I(A))$  and B  $\delta \alpha - I - open$ , i.e.,  $B \subset Int(Cl(\delta Int_I(B)))$ . Then

$$A \cap B = Int(\delta Cl_I(A)) \cap Int(Cl(\delta Int_I(B)))$$

$$= Int(Int(\delta Cl_I(A)) \cap Cl(\delta Int_I(B)))$$

$$\subset Int(Cl(\delta Cl_I(A) \cap \delta Int_I(B)))$$

$$\subset Int(\delta Cl_I(\delta Cl_I(A \cap B))) = Int(\delta Cl_I(A \cap B)).$$

**Theorem 9.** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal topological space. The following are equivalent;

- (1) The  $\delta_I$  closure of every  $\delta_I$  open subset of X is  $\delta_I$  open,
- (2)  $Cl(\delta Int_I(A)) \subset Int(\delta Cl_I(A))$  for every subset A of X,
- (3)  $S^*IO(X) \subset P^*IO(X)$ ,

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- (4) The  $\delta_I$  closure of every  $\delta\beta_I$  open subset is  $\delta_I$  open,
- (5)  $\delta\beta IO(X) \subset P^*IO(X)$ .

**Proof.** (1) $\Longrightarrow$ (2) Suppose that  $\delta_I - closure$  of every  $\delta_I - open$  subset of X is  $\delta_I - open$ . Then the set  $Cl(\delta Int_I(A))$  is  $\delta_I - open$ . Thus,

$$Cl(\delta Int_I(A)) = Int(Cl(\delta Int_I(A))) \subset Int(\delta Cl_I(A)).$$

 $(2)\Longrightarrow(3)$  Let  $A\in S^*IO(X)$ . By (2), we have

$$A \subset Cl(\delta Int_I(A)) \subset Int(\delta Cl_I(A)).$$

Thus,  $A \in P^*IO(X)$ .

- (3) $\Longrightarrow$ (4) Let  $A \in \delta\beta IO(X)$ . Then  $\delta Cl_I(A)$  is  $semi^* I open$ . By (3),  $\delta Cl_I(A)$  is  $pre^* I open$ . Hence  $\delta Cl_I(A) \subset Int(\delta Cl_I(A))$  and therefore  $\delta Cl_I(A)$  is  $\delta_I open$ .
- (4) $\Longrightarrow$ (5) Let  $A \in \delta\beta IO(X)$ . By (4),  $\delta Cl_I(A) = Int(\delta Cl_I(A))$ . Hence  $A \subset \delta Cl_I(A) = Int(\delta Cl_I(A))$  and therefore A is  $pre^* I open$ .
- (5) $\Longrightarrow$ (1) Let A be  $\delta_I open$ . Then  $\delta Cl_I(A)$  is  $\delta \beta_I open$ . By (5),  $\delta Cl_I(A)$  is  $pre^* I open$ . Hence  $\delta Cl_I(A) \subset Int(\delta Cl_I(A))$  and therefore  $\delta Cl_I(A)$  is  $\delta_I open$ .

**Definition 2.** A subset A in an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, I)$  is called  $\delta_I$  – dense if  $\delta Cl_I(A) = X$ .

**Theorem 10.** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal topological space. The following are equivalent;

- (1)  $P^*IO(X) \subset S^*IO(X)$ ,
- (2) Every  $\delta_I$  dense subset is semi\* I open,
- (3)  $\delta Int_I(A)$  is  $\delta_I dense$  for every  $\delta_I dense$  subset A,
- (4)  $\delta Int_I(\delta_I F_r(A)) = \emptyset$  for every subset A,
- (5)  $\delta\beta IO(X) \subset S^*IO(X)$ ,
- (6)  $\delta Int_I(\delta_I F_r(A)) = \emptyset$  for every subset  $\delta_I dense$  subset A.

**Proof.** (1) $\Longrightarrow$ (2) It follows that every  $\delta_I - dense$  set is  $pre^* - I - open$ .

- (2) $\Longrightarrow$ (3) Let A be a  $\delta_I dense$  set. Then A is  $semi^* I open$ . Thus,  $Cl(\delta Int_I(A)) \supset \delta Cl_I(A) = X$  and hence  $\delta Int_I(A)$  is  $\delta_I dense$ .
  - $(3)\Longrightarrow (4)$  Let  $A\subset X$ . We have

$$X = \delta Cl_I(A) \cup (X - \delta Cl_I(A)) = \delta Cl_I(A) \cup \delta Int_I(X - A).$$

This implies that  $A \cup \delta Int_I(X - A)$  is  $\delta_I - dense$ . Thus,  $\delta Int_I(A \cup \delta Int_I(X - A))$  is  $\delta_I - dense$ .

$$\delta Int_I(A \cup \delta Int_I(X - A)) \cap \delta Int_I((X - A) \cup \delta Int_I(A)) = X - (\delta_I - F_r(A)).$$

Since  $X - (\delta_I - F_r(A))$  is an intersection of two  $\delta_I - dense \ \delta_I - open$ , then  $X - (\delta_I - F_r(A))$  is  $\delta_I - dense$ .

- $(4)\Longrightarrow(6)$  Obvious.
- $(6)\Longrightarrow(3)$  Let A be  $\delta_I-dense$ . By (6),

$$\delta Int_I(\delta_I - F_r(A)) = \delta Int_I(X - \delta Int_I(A)) = X - Cl(\delta Int_I(A)) = \varnothing.$$

Thus,  $\delta Int_I(A)$  is  $\delta_I - dense$ .

- (4) $\Longrightarrow$ (5) Let  $A \in \delta \beta IO(X)$ . By (4) and Theorem 3, A is  $semi^* I open$ .
- $(5)\Longrightarrow(1)$  Obvious.

**Theorem 11.** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal topological space. The following are equivalent:

- (1)  $P^*IO(X) \subset S^*IO(X)$ ,
- (2)  $Int(\delta Cl_I(A \cap B)) = Int(\delta Cl_I(A)) \cap Int(\delta Cl_I(B))$  for every  $A, B \subset X$ ,
- (3)  $Cl(\delta Int_I(A \cup B)) = Cl(\delta Int_I(A)) \cup Cl(\delta Int_I(B))$  for every  $A, B \subset X$ .

**Proof.** (1) $\Longrightarrow$ (2) Let  $P^*IO(X) \subset S^*IO(X)$  and  $A, B \subset X$ . By Theorem 10,  $\delta Int_I(\delta_I - F_r(A)) = \emptyset$  for every subset A. Since

$$\delta Int_I(\delta_I - F_r(A)) = \delta Int_I(\delta Cl_I(A) \cap (X - \delta Int_I(A)))$$
  
=  $\delta Int_I(\delta Cl_I(A)) - \delta Cl_I(\delta Int_I(A)),$ 

 $\delta Int_I(\delta Cl_I(A)) \subset \delta Cl_I(\delta Int_I(A))$  and therefore

$$\delta Int_I(\delta Cl_I(A)) = \delta Int_I(\delta Cl_I(\delta Int_I(A))).$$

This implies that

$$Int(\delta Cl_I(A)) \cap Int(\delta Cl_I(B)) = Int(Cl(\delta Int_I(A)) \cap Int(\delta Cl_I(B)))$$
  
$$\subset Cl(\delta Int_I(A)) \cap Int(\delta Cl_I(B)).$$

On the other hand, we have

$$Cl(\delta Int_I(A)) \cap Int(\delta Cl_I(B)) \subset Cl(\delta Int_I(A) \cap Int(\delta Cl_I(B)))$$
  
 $\subset Cl(\delta Int_I(A) \cap \delta Cl_I(B)) \subset \delta Cl_I(A \cap B).$ 

Since  $Int(\delta Cl_I(A \cap B)) \subset Int(\delta Cl_I(A)) \cap Int(\delta Cl_I(B))$ , we have

$$Int(\delta Cl_I(A \cap B)) = Int(\delta Cl_I(A)) \cap Int(\delta Cl_I(B)).$$

 $(2) \Longrightarrow (1)$  Suppose that (2) holds. Then

$$\delta Int_I(\delta_I - F_r(A)) = \delta Int_I(\delta Cl_I(A) \cap \delta Cl_I(X - A))$$

$$\subset Int(\delta Cl_I(A)) \cap Int(\delta Cl_I(X - A))$$

$$= Int(\delta Cl_I(A \cap (X - A))) = \varnothing.$$

By Theorem 10, we have  $P^*IO(X) \subset S^*IO(X)$ .

 $(2) \iff (3)$  Take complement.

**Theorem 12.** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal topological space. The following are equivalent:

- (1)  $P^*IO(X) \subset S^*IO(X)$  and the  $\delta_I$  closure of every  $\delta_I$  open subset of X is  $\delta_I$  open,
- (2)  $Int(\delta Cl_I(A)) = Cl(\delta Int_I(A))$ , for every subset A in X,
- (3)  $Cl(Int(\delta Cl_I(A))) = Int(Cl(\delta Int_I(A)))$ , for every subset A in X,
- (4)  $\delta \beta IO(X) \subset \delta \alpha IO(X)$ ,
- (5)  $S^*IO(X) \subset \delta\alpha IO(X)$  and  $P^*IO(X) \subset \delta\alpha IO(X)$ ,
- (6)  $P^*IO(X) = S^*IO(X)$ ,
- (7) A is  $semi^* I open$  if and only if  $\delta Cl_I(A)$  is  $\delta_I open$ .

**Proof.**  $(1)\Longrightarrow(2)$  It follows from Theorems 9 and 10.

- (2) $\Longrightarrow$ (3) Let  $A \subset X$ . Since  $Int(\delta Cl_I(A)) = Cl(\delta Int_I(A))$  is  $\delta_I clopen$  ( $\delta_I open$  and  $\delta_I closed$ ), then  $Cl(Int(\delta Cl_I(A))) = Int(Cl(\delta Int_I(A)))$ .
  - (3) $\Longrightarrow$ (4) Let  $A \in \delta \beta IO(X)$ . Then we have

$$A \subset Cl(Int(\delta Cl_I(A))) = Int(Cl(\delta Int_I(A))),$$

i.e,  $A \in \delta \alpha IO(X)$ .

- $(4) \Longrightarrow (5)$  and  $(5) \Longrightarrow (6)$  Straightforward.
- $(6)\Longrightarrow(7)$  Let A be  $semi^*-I-open$ . Then we have  $\delta Cl_I(A)$  is  $semi^*-I-open$  and therefore  $pre^*-I-open$ . Thus  $\delta Cl_I(A)\subset Int(\delta Cl_I(A))$  and  $\delta Cl_I(A)$  is  $\delta_I-open$ . Conversely, let  $\delta Cl_I(A)$  be  $\delta_I-open$ . Therefore, we have  $A\subset \delta Cl_I(A)=Int(\delta Cl_I(A))$ , i.e., A is  $pre^*-I-open$  and hence  $semi^*-I-open$ .
- $(7)\Longrightarrow(1)$  Let A be  $\delta_I-open$ . Then  $\delta Cl_I(A)$  is  $\delta_I-open$ . Let A be a  $\delta_I-dense$  set. Then  $\delta Cl_I(A)$  is  $\delta_I-open$ . By hypothesis (7), A is  $semi^*-I-open$ . Therefore, by Theorem 10,  $P^*IO(X)\subset S^*IO(X)$ .

**Theorem 13.** Let A be a subset of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, I)$ . Then the following are equivalent;

- (1) A is regular open,
- (2) A is  $\delta \alpha I open$  and  $\delta \beta_I closed$ ,
- (3) A is  $pre^* I open$  and  $semi^* I closed$ .

**Proof.**  $(1) \Longrightarrow (2)$  Straightforward.

(2) $\Longrightarrow$ (1) Let A be a  $\delta \alpha - I - open$  and  $\delta \beta_I - closed$ . Then we have  $A = Int(Cl(\delta Int_I(A)))$ . Hence A is regular open.

 $(1) \iff (3)$  It follows from Theorem 2 in [6].

**Lemma 5.** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal topological space and  $(U, \tau_{|U}, I_{|U})$  a subspace of  $(X, \tau, I)$ .

- (1) If A is open in  $(U, \tau_{|U}, I_{|U})$ , then  $\delta Cl_{I|U}(A) = Cl_{U}(A)$ , where  $\delta Cl_{I|U}(A)$ ;  $\delta_{I} closure$  in  $(U, \tau_{|U}, I_{|U})$ .
- (2) If A is closed in  $(U, \tau_{|U}, I_{|U})$ , then  $\delta Int_{I|U}(A) = Int_{U}(A)$ , where  $\delta Int_{I|U}(A)$ ;  $\delta_{I} open$  in  $(U, \tau_{|U}, I_{|U})$ .

**Proof.** (1) Since every  $\delta_I - open$  set in  $(U, \tau_{|U}, I_{|U})$  is open in U, we have

$$Cl_U(A) \subset \delta Cl_{I|U}(A)$$
.

Conversely, let  $x \notin Cl_U(A)$ . Then there exists an open set V in  $(U, \tau_{|U})$  containing x such that  $V \cap A = \emptyset$ . Since A is open in  $(U, \tau_{|U})$ , we have  $A \cap Int_U(Cl_U(V)) = \emptyset$ . By the fact that  $Int_U(Cl_U^*(V)) \subset Int_U(Cl_U(V))$ , we obtain  $A \cap Int_U(Cl_U^*(V)) = \emptyset$ . This implies that  $x \notin \delta Cl_{I|U}(A)$ . Thus  $\delta Cl_{I|U}(A) = Cl_U(A)$ .

(2) This follows from (1).  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 14.** If  $A \in P^*IO(X)$  and  $B \in S^*IO(X)$ , then  $A \cap B \in S^*IO(A)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $B \in S^*IO(X)$ . By Theorem 2, there exists a G  $\delta_I$  – open set in X such that  $G \subset B \subset Cl(G)$ . From this it follows that  $A \cap G \subset A \cap B \subset A \cap Cl(G)$ . Since  $A \in P^*IO(X)$ , we have

$$A \cap G \subset A \cap B \subset Int(\delta Cl_I(A)) \cap Cl(G)$$

$$\subset Cl(\delta Cl_I(A) \cap G) \subset Cl(\delta Cl_I(A \cap G)), \quad \text{(Lemma 3)}$$

$$\subset \delta Cl_I(\delta Cl_I(A \cap G))) = \delta Cl_I(A \cap G).$$

Hence

$$(A \cap G) \cap A \subset (A \cap B) \cap A \subset \delta Cl_I(A \cap G) \cap A$$

implies that

$$A \cap G \subset A \cap B \subset \delta Cl_{I|A}(A \cap G) = Cl_A(A \cap G),$$
 (Lemma 5)

Therefore, since  $A \cap G$  is  $\delta_I - open$  in  $A, A \cap B \in S^*IO(A)$ .

**Theorem 15.** If  $A \in P^*IO(X)$  and  $B \in S^*IO(X)$ , then  $A \cap B \in P^*IO(B)$ .

Proof.

$$B \cap A \subset B \cap Int(\delta Cl_I(A)) = Int_B(B \cap Int(\delta Cl_I(A)))$$

$$\subset Int_B(Cl(\delta Int_I(B)) \cap Int(\delta Cl_I(A)))$$

$$\subset Int_B(Cl(\delta Int_I(B) \cap \delta Cl_I(A)))$$

$$\subset Int_B(\delta Cl_I(\delta Cl_I(B \cap A))) = Int_B(\delta Cl_I(B \cap A)).$$

So,

$$B \cap A \subset Int_B(\delta Cl_I(B \cap A)) \cap B = Int_B(\delta Cl_I(B \cap A) \cap B)$$
  
=  $Int_B(\delta Cl_{I|B}(B \cap A)).$ 

This implies that  $A \cap B \in P^*IO(B)$ .

**Definition 3.** A space  $(X, \tau)$  is extremally disconnected [15] if the closure of every open set in X is open.

**Theorem 16.** If a space  $(X, \tau, I)$  is extremally disconnected and  $A, B \in S^*IO(X)$ , then  $A \cap B \in S^*IO(X)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $A, B \in S^*IO(X)$ . Then  $A \cap B \subset Cl(\delta Int_I(A)) \cap Cl(\delta Int_I(B))$ . Extremal disconnectedness of X implies openness of

$$Cl(\delta Int_I(B)) = Cl(Int(\delta Int_I(B))).$$

Hence

$$A \cap B \subset Cl(\delta Int_I(A)) \cap Cl(\delta Int_I(B)) \subset Cl(\delta Int_I(A) \cap Cl(\delta Int_I(B)))$$
  
 $\subset Cl(Cl(\delta Int_I(A) \cap \delta Int_I(B))) = Cl(\delta Int_I(A \cap B).$ 

So, 
$$A \cap B \in S^*IO(X)$$
.

**Remark 1.** The extremally disconnected condition of Theorem 16 cannot be dropped as shown in the following example.

**Example 1.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$  and  $I = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Then  $A = \{a, c\}$ ,  $B = \{b, c\} \in S^*IO(X)$ , but  $A \cap B = \{c\} \notin S^*IO(X)$  because of  $(X, \tau, I)$  is not an extremally disconnected space.

## 2. $S^*$ -sets in ideal topological spaces and decomposition of continuity

**Definition 4.** A subset A in an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, I)$  is called an  $S^*$  – set if  $A = U \cap V$ , where U is open and V is  $semi^* - I - closed$  and

$$Int(\delta Cl_I(V)) = Cl(\delta Int_I(V)).$$

The family of all  $S^*-sets$  of an ideal topological space  $(X,\tau,I)$  will be denoted by  $S^*(X)$ .

**Definition 5.** (1) A subset V in an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, I)$  is called a strongly - t - I - set [3] if  $Int(\delta Cl_I(V)) = Int(V)$ .

(2) A subset A in an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, I)$  is called a strongly B-I-set [3] if  $A = U \cap V$ , where U is open and V is a strongly -t - I - set.

**Remark 2.** The notions of a  $semi^* - I - closed$  set and a strongly - t - I - set are equivalent.

**Remark 3.** Every  $S^*$  – set is a strongly B-I – set, but the converse is not true.

**Example 2.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}\}\}$  and  $I = \{\emptyset\}$ . Then  $\{a\}$  is a strongly B - I - set set, but it is not an  $S^* - set$  since  $Int(\delta Cl_I(\{a\})) \neq Cl(\delta Int_I(\{a\}))$ .

**Theorem 17** (See [6]). Let A be a subset of an ideal space  $(X, \tau, I)$ . Then

$$s\delta Cl_I(A) = A \cup Int(\delta Cl_I(A)), \quad (s\delta Cl_I(A); \ a \ semi^* - I - closure \ of A)$$

**Theorem 18.** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal topological space and  $A \subset X$ . If A is an  $S^*$  – set, then  $A = U \cap s\delta Cl_I(A)$  for some open set U.

**Proof.** Let  $A \in S^*(X)$ . Then  $A = U \cap V$ , where U is open and V is  $semi^* - I - closed$  and  $Int(\delta Cl_I(V)) = Cl(\delta Int_I(V))$ . Since  $A \subset V$ ,  $s\delta Cl_I(A) \subset s\delta Cl_I(V) = V$ . Therefore,

$$U \cap s\delta Cl_I(A) \subset U \cap V = A \subset U \cap s\delta Cl_I(A)$$

and hence the proof is completed.

**Definition 6.** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal topological space and  $A \subset X$ . Then A is called a  $\delta_{I_*}$  – set if  $\delta Int_I(A)$  is  $\delta_I$  – closed.

**Theorem 19.** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal topological space and  $A \subset X$ . If A is a  $\delta_{I_*}$  – set and  $semi^* - I$  – open, then it is  $\delta_I$  – open.

**Proof.** Let A be a 
$$\delta_{I_*}$$
 – set and semi\* –  $I$  – open. Then  $A \subset Cl(\delta Int_I(A)) = \delta Int_I(A)$  and hence A is  $\delta_I$  – open.

**Theorem 20.** The following are equivalent for a subset A of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, I)$ .

- (1) A is open,
- (2) A is  $\alpha$  open and  $S^*$  set,
- (3) A is preopen and  $S^*$  set,
- (4) A is  $pre^* I open$  and  $S^* set$ ,
- (5) A is  $\delta \beta_I$  open and  $S^*$  set.

**Proof.** We prove only  $(5)\Rightarrow(1)$ , other implications are obvious.

 $(5)\Rightarrow(1)$  Let A be a  $\delta\beta_I$ -open and a  $S^*$ -set. Then we have  $A\subset Cl(Int(\delta Cl_I(A)))$  and  $A=U\cap V$ , where U is open and V is  $semi^*-I-closed$  and  $Int(\delta Cl_I(V))=Cl(\delta Int_I(V))$ . Therefore, we obtain

$$A = A \cap U \subset Cl(Int(\delta Cl_I(A))) \cap U$$

$$= Cl(Int(\delta Cl_I(U \cap V))) \cap U$$

$$\subset Cl(Int(\delta Cl_I(U))) \cap Cl(Int(\delta Cl_I(V))) \cap U$$

$$= U \cap Cl(Int(\delta Cl_I(V))) = U \cap Cl(Cl(\delta Int_I(V)))$$

$$= U \cap Cl(\delta Int_I(V)) = U \cap Int(\delta Cl_I(V)) = U \cap Int(V)$$

and hence A is an *open* set.

**Definition 7.** A function  $f:(X,\tau,I)\to (Y,\sigma)$  is called

- (1)  $\alpha$  continuous [1] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\alpha$  open for each  $V \in \sigma$ ,
- (2) pre continuous [2] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is preopen for each  $V \in \sigma$ ,
- (3)  $pre^* I continuous$  [3] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $pre^* I open$  for each  $V \in \sigma$ ,
- (4)  $\delta \beta I continuous$  [6] if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $\delta \beta_I open$  for each  $V \in \sigma$ ,
- (5)  $S^*$  continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is an  $S^*$  set for each  $V \in \sigma$ .

Now, we can give the decomposition of continuity.

**Theorem 21.** The following are equivalent for a function  $f:(X,\tau,I)\to (Y,\sigma)$ ;

- (1) f is continuous,
- (2) f is  $\alpha$  continuous and  $S^*$  continuous,
- (3) f is pre-continuous and  $S^*-continuous$ ,
- (4) f is  $pre^* I continuous$  and  $S^* continuous$ ,
- (5) f is  $\delta \beta I continuous$  and  $S^* continuous$ .

**Proof.** It follows from Theorem 20.

**Remark 4.** By the following examples  $\delta - \beta - I - continuity$  and  $S^* - continuity$  are independent notions.

**Example 3.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$  and  $I = \{\emptyset\}$  and  $\sigma = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}\}$ . Define a function  $f : (X, \tau, I) \to (Y, \sigma)$  such that f(x) = x. Then f is  $\delta - \beta - I$  – continuous, but it is not  $S^*$  – continuous since  $\{a\} \in \delta\beta IO(X)$ , but  $\{a\} \notin S^*(X)$ .

**Example 4.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}\}\}$  and  $I = \{\emptyset\}$  and  $\sigma = \{\emptyset, X, \{d\}\}\}$ . Define a function  $f : (X, \tau, I) \to (Y, \sigma)$  such that f(x) = x. Then f is  $S^*$  – continuous, but it is not  $\delta - \beta - I$  – continuous since  $\{d\} \in S^*(X)$ , but  $\{d\} \notin \delta\beta IO(X)$ .

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