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# $S_{\alpha-}$ OPEN SETS IN TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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# ABSTRACT

In this paper, we investigate a new class of semi open sets called  $S_{\alpha}$  open sets in topological spaces and its properties are studied.

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# 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

Throughout this paper, a space means a topological space on which no separation axioms are assumed unless otherwise explicitly stated. In 1963 Levine [9] initiated semi open sets and gave their properties. Mathematicians gave in several papers interesting and different new types of sets. In 1965, O. Njastad [11] introduced  $\alpha$ - closed sets. We recall the following definitions and characterizations. The closure (resp., interior) of a subset A of X is denoted by cl A (resp., int A), A subset A of X is said to be semi open [9] (resp, pre open [10],  $\alpha$ - open [11], regular open [13]) set if A $\subset$  cl int A (resp., A $\subset$  int clA, A $\subset$  int cl int A, A=int cl (A) The complement of semi open (resp., pre open,  $\alpha$ - open, regular open) set is said to be semi closed ( resp., pre closed,  $\alpha$ - closed, regular closed) The intersection of all semi closed (resp., pre closed,  $\alpha$ - closed, regular closed) sets of X containing A is called semi open (resp., pre open,  $\alpha$ - open) sets of X contained in A is called the semi interior (resp., pre interior,  $\alpha$ -interior) and denoted by s int A (resp., p int A  $\alpha$  int A). The family of all semi open (resp., pre open,  $\alpha$ - open, regular open, semi closed, pre closed,  $\alpha$ - closed, regular closed by SO (X) (resp., PO (X),  $\alpha O(X)$ , RO (X), SC(X), PC(X),  $\alpha C(X)$ , RC(X)).

**Definition: 1.1** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be

- 1. Extremally disconnected of cl  $V \in \tau$ , for every  $V \in \tau$ .
- 2. Locally indiscrete if every open subset of X is closed.
- 3. Hyperconnected if every nonempty open subset of X is dense.

## Lemma: 1.2

- 1. If X is a locally is indiscrete space, then each semi open subset of X is closed and hence each semi closed subset of X is open [2].
- 2. A topological space X is hyperconnected if and only if  $RO(X) = \{\emptyset, X\}$  [6]

**Theorem 1.3**.Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space. Then SO $(X, \tau) =$ SO $(X, \alpha O(X))$ [3].

**Theorem: 1.4**[9] Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space.

1. Let  $A \subset X$ . Then  $A \in SO(X, \tau)$  if and only if cl A = cl int A.

2. If  $\{A\gamma: \gamma \in \Gamma\}$  is a collection of semi open sets in a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , then  $\cup \{A\gamma: \gamma \in \Gamma\}$  is semi open.

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**Theorem: 1.5** If Y is a semi open subspace of a space X, then a subset A of Y, is a semi open set in X if and only if A is semi open set in Y [12].

**Theorem: 1.6** [4] Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space.

If  $A \in \tau$ , and  $B \in SO(X)$ , then  $A \cap B \in SO(x)$ .

**Theorem: 1.7** Let X and Y be spaces. If A $\subset$ X and B $\subset$ Y then s int <sub>xxy</sub> (AXB) =s int<sub>x</sub> (A)X s int<sub>y</sub> (B)[1].

**Definition: 1.8** The subset A of a space X is said to be  $S_{p}$  open [13] if for each  $x \in A$ , there exists a pre closed set F such that  $x \in F \subset A$ .

**Theorem: 1.9** [4] Let A be any subset of a space X. Then  $A \in SC(X)$  if and only if int cl  $A \subset A$ .

Theorem: 1.10 [12] A subset A of a space X is dense in X if and only if A is semi dense in X.

Theorem: 1.11 [7] A space X is extremely disconnected if and only if RO(x) =RC(X).

#### 2. Sa-open sets

In this section, we introduce and study the concept of  $S\alpha$ - open sets in topological spaces and study some of its roperties.

**Definition:** 2.1 A semi open set A of a topological space X is said to be S $\alpha$ -open if for each  $x \in A$ , there exists a  $\alpha$ -closed set F such that  $x \in F \subset A$ . A subset B of a topological space X is  $S_{\alpha}$ -closed, if X-B is  $S_{\alpha}$ -open.

The family of  $S_{\alpha}$ -open subsets of X is denoted by  $S_{\alpha}O(X)$ .

**Theorem: 2.2** A subset A of a topological space X is  $S_{\alpha}$  open if and only if A is semi open and it is a union of  $\alpha$ -closed sets.

**Proof:** Let A be  $S_{\alpha}$ -open. Then A is semi open  $x \in A$  implies, there exists  $\alpha$ -closed set  $F_x$  Such that  $x \in F_x \subset A$  Hence  $\bigcup_{x \in A} F_x \subset A$ . But  $x \in A, x \in F_x$  implies  $A \subset \bigcup_{x \in A} F_x$ . This completes one half of the proof.

Let A be semi open and  $A = \bigcup_{i \in I} F_i$ , where each  $F_i$  is  $\alpha$ -closed. Let  $x \in A$ . Then  $x \in$  some  $F_i \subset A$ . Hence A is  $S_{\alpha}$ -open.

The following result shows that any union of  $S_{\alpha}$ -open sets in  $S_{\alpha}$ -open.

**Theorem: 2.3** Let  $\{A_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  be a family of  $S_{\alpha}$ -open sets in a topological space X. Then  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_{\alpha}$  is an  $S_{\alpha}$ -open set.

**Proof:** The union of an arbitrary semi open sets is semi open by theorem 1.4. Suppose that  $x \in \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_{\alpha}$ . This implies that there exists  $\alpha_0 \in \Delta$  such that  $x \in A_{\alpha 0}$  and as  $A_{\alpha 0}$  is an  $S_{\alpha}$  -open set, there exists a  $\alpha$ -closed set F in X such that  $x \in F \subset A_{\alpha 0} \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_{\alpha}$ . Therefore  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_{\alpha}$  is a  $S_{\alpha}$ -open set.

From theorem 2.3, it is clear that any intersection of  $S_{\alpha}$  –closed sets of a topological space X is  $S_{\alpha}$  –closed. The following example shows that the intersection of two  $S_{\alpha}$ –open sets need not be  $S_{\alpha}$ –open.

**Example: 2.4** Let X= {a, b, c}

$$\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$$

 $S_{\alpha}$ -open sets = { $\emptyset$ , {a, c}, {b, c}, X}{a, c} \cap {b, c}={c} is not an  $S_{\alpha}$ -open set

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**Theorem 2.5:** A subset G of the topological space X is  $S_{\alpha}$  -open if and only if for each  $x \in G$ , there exists an  $S_{\alpha}$ -open set H such that  $x \in H \subset G$ .

**Proof:** Let G be a  $S_{\alpha}$ -open set in X. Then for each  $x \in G$ , we have G is an  $S_{\alpha}$ -open set such that  $x \in G \subset G$ .

Conversely, let for each  $x \in G$ , there exists an  $S_{\alpha}$ -open set H such that  $x \in H \subset G$ . Than G is a union of  $S_{\alpha}$ -open sets, hence by theorem 2.3, G is  $S_{\alpha}$ -open.

#### Theorem: 2.6

1. Regular closed set is  $S_{\alpha}$ -open set.

2. Regular open set is  $S_{\alpha}$ -closed set.

#### **Proof:**

- 1. Let A be regular closed in a topological space X. A=cl int A. A is semi open. A is  $\alpha$  closed. x \in A implies x \in A \subset A. Hence A is  $S_{\alpha}$ -open.
- 2. Obvious.

**Theorem 2.7:** If a space X is a  $T_1$ -space, then  $S_{\alpha}(X) = SO(X)$ .

**Proof:**  $S_{\alpha}(X) \square \subset SO(X)$ . Let  $A \in SO(X)$ . Let  $x \in A$ . AS X is a  $T_1$ -space,  $\{x\}$  is closed. Every closed set in X is  $\alpha$ -closed. Hence  $x \in \{x\} \subset A \in S\alpha O(X)$ . This completes the proof.

**Theorem: 2.8** If the family of all semi open subsets of a topological space is a topology on X, then the family of S $\alpha$ O (X) is also a topology on X.

Proof: Obvious.

**Theorem: 2.9** If a space X is hyperconnected, then the only  $S_{\alpha}$ -open sets of X are  $\emptyset$  and X.

**Proof:** Let  $A \subset X$  such that A is  $S_{\alpha}$ -open in X. If A=X, there is nothing to prove. If  $A \neq X$  we have to prove  $A=\emptyset$ . As A is  $S_{\alpha}$ -open, for each  $x \in A$ , there exists a  $\alpha$ -closed set F such that  $x \in F \subset A$ . So X-A  $\subset X$ -F. X-A is semi closed. Therefore int  $cl(X-A) \subset (X-A)$ . Since X is hyper connected, then by definition 1.1 and theorem 1.10 scl(int cl (X-A))=X \subset X-A. Hence X-A=X. So  $A=\emptyset$ .

**Theorem: 2.10** If a topological space X is locally indiscrete, then every semi open set is  $S_{\alpha}$ -open.

**Proof:** Let A be semi open in X.

Then A $\subset$  cl int A. As X is locally indiscrete, int A is closed. Hence int A=cl int A. So, cl int A= int A $\subset$ A. So A is regular closed. By theorem 2.6(1)-A is S<sub>a</sub>-open.

**Theorem: 2.11** If a topological space  $(X,\tau)$  is  $T_1$  or locally indiscrete, then  $\tau \subset S_{\alpha}0(X)$ .

**Proof:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be  $T_1$ . As every open set is semi open,  $\tau \subseteq S0(x) = S_{\alpha}0(X)$ .

Let  $(X, \tau)$  be locally indiscrete then  $\tau \subset SO(x) \subset S\alpha O(X)$ .

**Theorem: 2.12** If B in clopen subset of a space X and A is  $S_{\alpha}$ -open in X, then  $A \cap B \in S_{\alpha}O(X)$ .

**Proof:** Let A be  $S_{\alpha}$ -open .So A is semi open. B is open and closed in x. Then by theorem 1.6, A  $\cap$  B is semi open in X. Let  $x \in A \cap B$ . Then  $x \in A$  and  $x \in B$ . Since A is  $S_{\alpha}$ -open, there exists a  $\alpha$ -closed set F such that  $x \in F \subset A$ . B is closed and hence  $\alpha$ -closed. F  $\cap$  B is  $\alpha$ -closed.  $x \in F \cap B \subset A \cap B$ . So A  $\cap$  B is  $S_{\alpha}$ -open.

**Theorem: 2.13** Let X be a locally indiscrete and  $A \subset X$ ,  $B \subset X$ . It  $A \in S_{\alpha} 0(X)$  and B is open, and then  $A \cap B$  is  $S_{\alpha}$ -open in X.

**Proof:** Follows from theorem 2.12.

**Theorem: 2.14** Let X be extremally disconnected and  $A \subset X$ ,  $B \subset X$ . If  $A \in S_{\alpha}0$  (X) and  $B \in R0(X)$  then  $A \cap B$  is  $S_{\alpha}$ -open in X.

**Proof:** Let  $A \in S_{\alpha}0$  (X) and  $B \in R0(X)$ . Hence A is semi open. By Theorem 1.6,  $A \cap B \in S0$  (X). *©* 2014, IJMA. All Rights Reserved

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Let  $x \in A \cap B$ . This implies  $x \in A$  and  $x \in B$ . As A is  $S_{\alpha}$ -open, there exists a  $\alpha$ -closed set F such that  $x \in F \subset A$ . X is extremally disconnected. By Theorem 1.11. B is a regular closed set. This implies  $F \cap B$  is  $\alpha$ -closed.  $x \in F \cap B \subset A \cap B$ . So  $A \cap B$  is  $S_{\alpha}$ -open.

## **3.** S<sub>α</sub>- Operations

**Definition:** 3.1 A subset N of a topological space X is called  $S_{\alpha}$  - neighborhood of a subset A of X, if there exists an  $S_{\alpha}$ -open set U such that  $A \subset U \subset N$ . When  $A = \{x\}$ , we say N is  $S_{\alpha}$ - neighborhood of x.

**Definition:** 3.2 A point  $x \in X$  is said to be an  $S_{\alpha}$ - interior point of A, if there exists an  $S_{\alpha}$ -open set U containing x such that  $x \in U \subset A$ . The set of all S $\alpha$ -interior points of A is said to be  $S_{\alpha}$ - interior of A and it is denoted by  $S_{\alpha}$ - int A.

**Theorem: 3.3** Let A be any subset of a topological space X. If x is a  $S_{\alpha}$ -interior point of A, then there exists a semi closed set F of X containing x such that  $F \subset A$ .

**Proof:** Let  $x \in S_{\alpha}$ - int A. Then there exists a  $S_{\alpha}$ -open set U containing x such that  $U \subset A$ . Since U is in  $S_{\alpha}$ -open set, there exists a  $\alpha$ -closed set F such that  $x \in F \subset U \subset A$ .

Theorem: 3.4 For any subset A of a topological space X, the following statements are true

1. The  $S_{\alpha}\text{-interior}$  of A is the union of all  $S_{\alpha}\text{-open}$  sets contained in A.

2.  $S_{\alpha}\text{-}$  int A is the largest  $S_{\alpha}\text{-}\text{open}$  set contained in A.

3. A is  $S_{\alpha}$ - open set if and only of  $A=S_{\alpha}$  int A.

**Proof:** obvious.

From 3, are see  $S_{\alpha}$  int  $S_{\alpha}$  int  $A = S_{\alpha}$  int A.

Theorem: 3.5 If A and B are any subsets of a topological space X. Then,

1.  $S_{\alpha} \text{ int } \emptyset {=} \emptyset \text{ and } S_{\alpha} \text{ int } X {=} X$ 

2.  $S_{\alpha}$  int A $\subset$ A

3. if  $A \subset B$ , then  $S_{\alpha}$  int  $A \subset S_{\alpha}$  int B

4.  $S_{\alpha}$  int AUS $\alpha$  int B $\subset$ S $\alpha$ int (AUB)

5.  $S_{\alpha}$  int  $(A \cap B) \square \subset S_{\alpha}$  int  $A \cap S_{\alpha}$  int B

6.  $S_{\alpha}$  int (A-B)  $\Box \subset S_{\alpha}$  int A-S<sub> $\alpha$ </sub> int B

Proof: 1-5, obvious.

6. Let  $x \in S_{\alpha}$  int (A-B). There exists an  $S_{\alpha}$ -open set U such that  $x \in U \subset A$ -B. That is  $U \subset A$ .  $U \cap B = \emptyset$  and  $x \notin B$ . Hence  $x \in S_{\alpha}$  int A,  $x \notin S_{\alpha}$  int B. Hence  $x \in S_{\alpha}$  int A-S<sub> $\alpha$ </sub> int B. This completes the proof.

**Definition:** 3.6 Intersection of  $S_{\alpha}$ -closed sets containing F is called the  $S_{\alpha}$ -closure of F and is denoted by  $S_{\alpha}$  cl F.

**Theorem: 3.7** Let A be a subset of the space X.  $x \in X$  is in  $S_{\alpha}$ -closed of A if and only if  $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$ , for every  $S_{\alpha}$ -open set U containing x.

**Proof:** To prove the theorem, let us prove the contra positive.

 $x \notin scl A \Leftrightarrow$  There exists an  $S_{\alpha}$ -open set U containing x that does not intersect A. Let  $x \notin S_{\alpha}$  cl A. X- $S_{\alpha}$  cl A is an  $S_{\alpha}$ -open set containing x that does not intersect A. Let U be an  $S_{\alpha}$ -open set set containing x that does not intersect A. X-U is a  $S_{\alpha}$ -closed set containing A.  $S_{\alpha}$  cl A $\subset$  (X-U)

x∉X-U⇒x∉S<sub>α</sub>cl A.

**Theorem: 3.8** Let A be any subset of a space X  $.A \cap F \neq \emptyset$  for every  $\alpha$  closed set F of X containing x, then the point x is in the  $S_{\alpha}$ - closure of A.

**Proof:** Let U be any  $S_{\alpha}$ - open set containing x. So, there exists a  $\alpha$ -closed set F such that  $x \in F \subset U$ .  $A \cap F \neq \emptyset$  implies  $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$  for every  $S_{\alpha}$ -open set U containing x. Hence  $x \in S_{\alpha}$  cl A, by theorem 3.7

Theorem: 3.9 For any subset F of a topological space X, the following statements are true.

1.  $S_{\alpha}$  cl F is the intersection of all.  $S_{\alpha}$ -closed sets in X containing F.

2.  $S_{\alpha}$  cl F is the smallest .  $S_{\alpha}$ -closed set containing F.

3. F is  $S_{\alpha}$  closed if and only if  $F = S_{\alpha}$  cl F.

**Proof:** Obvious.

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Theorem: 3.10 If F and E are any subsets of a topological space X, then

1.  $S_{\alpha}$  cl  $\emptyset = \emptyset$  and.  $S_{\alpha}$  cl X = X2. For any subset F of X,  $F \subset S_{\alpha}$  cl F.

3. If  $F \subseteq E$ , then  $S_{\alpha}$  cl  $F \subseteq S_{\alpha}$  cl E. 4.  $S_{\alpha}$  cl  $F \cup S_{\alpha}$  cl  $E \subseteq S_{\alpha}$  cl  $(F \cup E)$ .

5.  $S_a$  cl (F $\cap$ E) $\subset$   $S_a$  cl F $\cap$   $S_a$  cl E.

#### Proof: Obvious.

Theorem: 3.11 For any subset A of a topological space X, the following statements are true.

1. X-  $S_{\alpha}$  cl A=  $S_{\alpha}$  int(X-A).

2. X-  $S_{\alpha}$  int A=  $S_{\alpha}$  cl A.

3.  $S_{\alpha}$  int A= X-  $S_{\alpha}$  cl A.

#### Proof:

1. X-  $S_{\alpha}$  cl A is a  $S_{\alpha}$ -open set contained in (X-A). Hence X-  $S_{\alpha}$  cl A  $\subset$   $S_{\alpha}$  int (X-A).

If X-  $S_{\alpha}$  cl A  $\neq$   $S_{\alpha}$  int(X-A), then X-  $S_{\alpha}$  int (X-A) is a  $S_{\alpha}$  closed set properly contained in  $S_{\alpha}$  cl A, a contradiction. Hence X-  $S_{\alpha}$  cl A=  $S_{\alpha}$  int(X-A). 2&3 follow from 1.

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