



## ON $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -CLOSED SETS IN TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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### ABSTRACT

We introduce new classes of sets called  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed sets and  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -open sets in topological spaces. We also investigate several properties of such sets. It turns out that  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed sets and  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -open sets are weaker forms of B-closed sets and B-open sets, respectively and stronger forms of Bg-closed sets and Bg-open sets, respectively.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION:

In 1986, Maki [9] introduced the notion of  $\Lambda$ -sets in topological spaces. A  $\Lambda$ -set is a set A which is equal to its kernel (saturated set), i.e to the intersection of all open supersets of A. Arenas et al. [2] introduced and investigated the notion of  $\lambda$ -closed sets by involving  $\Lambda$ -sets and closed sets. Caldas et al. [4] introduced the notion of the  $\lambda$ -closure of a set by utilizing the notion of  $\lambda$ -open sets defined in [2]. Levine [7] introduced the notions of simply extended topological spaces. Abd El-Monsef et al. [1] introduced the notions of B-open sets and associated interior and closure operators on simply extended topological spaces.

In this paper, we introduce new classes of sets called  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed sets and  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -open sets in topological spaces. We also establish several properties of such sets. It turns out that  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed sets and  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -open sets are weaker forms of B-closed sets and B-open sets, respectively and stronger forms of Bg-closed sets and Bg-open sets, respectively.

### 2. PRELIMINARIES:

Throughout this paper, by  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \sigma)$  (or X and Y) we always mean topological spaces. Let A be a subset of X. We denote the interior, the closure and the complement of a set A by  $\text{int}(A)$ ,  $\text{cl}(A)$  and  $X \setminus A$  or  $A^c$ , respectively.

A subset A of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $\lambda$ -closed [2] if  $A = L \cap D$ , where L is a  $\Lambda$ -set and D is a closed set. The complement of  $\lambda$ -closed set is called  $\lambda$ -open. A subset A of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is called semi-open [8] if  $A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$ . The complement of semi-open set is called semi-closed. The intersection of all semi-closed subsets of X containing A is called the semi-closure [5] of A and is denoted by  $\text{scl}(A)$ .

A subset A of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is called preopen [10] if  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$ . The complement of preopen set is called preclosed. The intersection of all preclosed subsets of X containing A is called the preclosure of A and is denoted by  $\text{pcl}(A)$ . The union of all preopen subsets of X contained in A is called the preinterior of A and is denoted by  $\text{pint}(A)$ . A subset A of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is called regular open [13] if  $A = \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$ . The complement of regular open set is called regular closed.

Let X be a non empty set and Levine [7] defined  $\tau(B) = \{ O \cup (O' \cap B) : O, O' \in \tau \}$  and called it simple extension of  $\tau$  by B, where  $B \notin \tau$ . We recall the pair  $(X, \tau(B))$  a simply extended topological spaces (briefly SETS). The elements of  $\tau(B)$  are called B-open [1] sets and the complements are called B-closed sets [1]. The family of B-open sets of X forms a topology. In other words, we can say, A is closed set in  $(X, \tau(B))$  or A is a B-closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ . The B-closure of a subset S of X, denoted by  $\text{Bcl}(S)$  [1], is the intersection of B-closed sets of X containing S and the B-interior of S, denoted by  $\text{Bint}(S)$ , is the union of B-open sets contained in S. A subset A of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $B\lambda$ -closed [12] if  $A = L \cap D$ , where L is a  $\Lambda$ -set and D is a B-closed. The complement of  $B\lambda$ -closed is called  $B\lambda$ -open.

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The intersection of all  $B\lambda$ -closed sets containing a subset  $A$  of  $X$  is called the  $B\lambda$ -closure of  $A$  and is denoted by  $cl_{B\lambda}(A)$ . We denote the collection of all  $B\lambda$ -open sets by  $B\lambda O(X, \tau)$ .

Let  $\tau(B_x)$  and  $\tau(B_y)$  be simple extension of topologies on  $X$  and  $Y$  respectively.

**Lemma: 2.1[12]** Let  $A_i$  ( $i \in I$ ) be subsets of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ . The following properties hold:

- (i) If  $A_i$  is  $B\lambda$ -closed for each  $i \in I$ , then  $\cap_{i \in I} A_i$  is  $B\lambda$ -closed.
- (ii) If  $A_i$  is  $B\lambda$ -open for each  $i \in I$ , then  $\cup_{i \in I} A_i$  is  $B\lambda$ -open.

### 3. $\Lambda_{Bg}$ - CLOSED SETS:

**Definition: 3.1[1]** A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $B$ -generalized closed set (briefly  $Bg$ -closed) if  $Bcl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$ .  $B$  is  $Bg$ -open set of  $(X, \tau)$  if and only if  $B^c$  is  $Bg$ -closed.

**Definition: 3.2** A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed if  $Bcl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $B\lambda$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Lemma: 3.3** For subsets  $A$  and  $A_i$  ( $i \in I$ ) of a space  $(X, \tau)$ , the following hold:

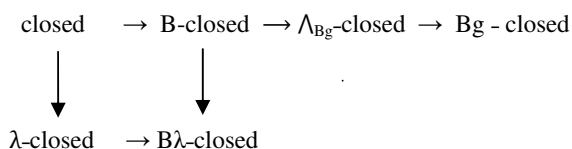
- (1)  $B \subseteq \Lambda_{Bg}(B)$ ,
- (2)  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $\Lambda_{Bg}(A) \subseteq \Lambda_{Bg}(B)$ ,
- (3)  $\Lambda_{Bg}(\Lambda_{Bg}(B)) = \Lambda_{Bg}(B)$ ,
- (4)  $\Lambda_{Bg}(A \cup B) = \Lambda_{Bg}(A) \cup \Lambda_{Bg}(B)$ ,
- (5)  $A$  is  $B$ -closed  $\Leftrightarrow A = Bcl(A)$ ,
- (6)  $A$  is  $B$ -open  $\Leftrightarrow A = Bint(A)$ ,
- (7)  $\Lambda_{Bg}(\cap \{A_i : i \in I\}) \subset \cap \{\Lambda_{Bg}(A_i) : i \in I\}$ ,
- (8)  $\Lambda_{Bg}(\cup \{A_i : i \in I\}) = \cup \{\Lambda_{Bg}(A_i) : i \in I\}$ ,

**Remark: 3.4** Let  $\{A_i : i \in I\}$  be a family of subsets of a space  $X$ . In general  $\cap \{\Lambda_{Bg}(A_i) : i \in I\} \not\subseteq \Lambda_{Bg}(\cap \{A_i : i \in I\})$  and  $A_i \neq \Lambda_{Bg}(A_i)$ .

**Example: 3.5** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$  and  $B = \{c\}$ . Then  $\tau(B_x) = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$ . Let  $A = \{a\}$  and  $B = \{b\}$ . Then  $\Lambda_{Bg}(A \cap B) = \Lambda_{Bg}(\emptyset) = \emptyset$ . Also, we have  $\Lambda_{Bg}(A) = \{a, b\}$  and  $\Lambda_{Bg}(B) = \{b\}$ . Thus  $\Lambda_{Bg}(A) \cap \Lambda_{Bg}(B) = \{b\} \not\subseteq \Lambda_{Bg}(A \cap B) = \emptyset$  and  $A = \{a\} \neq \Lambda_{Bg}(A) = \{a, b\}$ .

### Remark: 3.6

We have the following implications.



None of these implications is reversible as shown in the following example.

**Example: 3.7** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a, d\}\}$  and  $B = \{c\}$ . Then  $\tau(B_x) = \{\emptyset, X, \{c\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, c, d\}\}$ .

- (1) Here  $A = \{c\}$  is a  $B$ -closed set but it is not closed.
- (2) Here  $A = \{a, b, c\}$  is a  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed set but it is not  $B$ -closed.
- (3) Here  $A = \{a, d\}$  is a  $Bg$ -closed set but it is not  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed.
- (4) Here  $A = \{a, c, d\}$  is  $B\lambda$ -closed set but it is not  $B$ -closed.
- (5) Here  $A = \{a, b, d\}$  is  $B\lambda$ -closed set but it is not  $\lambda$ -closed.
- (6)  $\lambda$ -closed sets and  $B$ -closed sets are independent of each other. Here  $A = \{a, d\}$  is  $\lambda$ -closed set but it is not  $B$ -closed and  $A = \{b\}$  is  $B$ -closed set but it is not  $\lambda$ -closed.

**Theorem: 3.8** The union of two  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed sets is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed.

**Proof:** Let  $A \cup B \subseteq U$ , then  $A \subseteq U$  and  $B \subseteq U$  where  $U$  is  $B\lambda$ -open. As  $A$  and  $B$  are  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed  $Bcl(A) \subseteq U$  and  $Bcl(B) \subseteq U$ . Hence  $Bcl(A \cup B) = Bcl(A) \cup Bcl(B) \subseteq U$ .

**Remark: 3.9** The intersection of two  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed sets need not be  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed as can be verified from the following example.

**Example: 3.10** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X\}$  and  $B = \{a\}$ . Then  $\tau(B_x) = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}\}$ . Here  $A = \{a, b\}$  and  $B = \{a, c\}$  are  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed sets but  $A \cap B = \{a\}$  is not  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed set.

**Theorem: 3.11** If a subset  $A$  of  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed, then  $Bcl(A) \setminus A$  contains no non empty B-closed subset of  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proof:** Let  $F$  be a B-closed subset contained in  $Bcl(A) \setminus A$ . Clearly  $A \subseteq F^c$  where  $A$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed and  $F^c$  is an B-open set of  $X$ . Thus  $Bcl(A) \subseteq F^c$  or  $F \subseteq [Bcl(A)]^c$ . Then  $F \subseteq [Bcl(A)]^c \cap (Bcl(A) \setminus A) \subseteq [Bcl(A)]^c \cap Bcl(A) = \emptyset$ . This shows that  $F = \emptyset$ .

The converse of the above theorem is not true in general as it is shown in the following example.

**Example: 3.12** Let  $A = \{d\}$  from Example 3.7. Then  $Bcl(A) \setminus A = \{a, b\}$  does not contain nonempty B-closed set. But  $A$  is not  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Definition: 3.13** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called a  $BT_1$ -space if to each pair of distinct points  $x, y$  of  $(X, \tau)$  there exist a B-open set  $U$  containing  $x$  but not  $y$  and a B-open set  $V$  containing  $y$  but not  $x$ .

**Theorem: 3.14** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $BT_1$ -space if and only if every subset of  $X$  consisting of exactly one point is B-closed.

**Proof:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a  $BT_1$ -space and  $x$  be an arbitrary point of  $X$ . Then, we must show that  $\{x\}$  is B-closed or equivalently that  $(\{x\})^c$  is B-open. If  $(\{x\})^c = \emptyset$ , then it is clearly B-open. So, let  $(\{x\})^c \neq \emptyset$  and let  $y \in (\{x\})^c$ . Then  $y \neq x$ . But,  $(X, \tau)$  being a  $BT_1$ -space there exist a B-open set  $G$  containing  $y$  but not  $x$ . Consequently,  $y \in G \subseteq (\{x\})^c$ . This shows that  $(\{x\})^c$  is neighbourhood of each of its points and therefore, B-open. Hence,  $\{x\}$  is B-closed.

Conversely, let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space such that every subset of  $X$  consisting of exactly one point is B-closed. Let  $x$  and  $y$  be any two distinct points of  $X$ . Then, by hypothesis,  $\{x\}$  as well as  $\{y\}$  is B-closed. Consequently,  $G = (\{x\})^c$  and  $H = (\{y\})^c$  are B-open sets such that  $y \in G$  but  $x \notin G$  and  $x \in H$  but  $y \notin H$ . Hence  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $BT_1$ -space.

**Corollary: 3.15** In a  $BT_1$ -space, every  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed set is B-closed.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be a  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed set in a  $BT_1$ -space  $(X, \tau)$ . Let  $x \in Bcl(A) \setminus A$ . Since  $(X, \tau)$  is  $BT_1$ ,  $\{x\}$  is a B-closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ . By Theorem 3.11, there exists no nonempty B-closed set in  $Bcl(A) \setminus A$  and so  $Bcl(A) \setminus A = \emptyset$ . Therefore  $Bcl(A) = A$ , i.e.,  $A$  is B-closed.

**Theorem: 3.16** A set  $A$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed if and only if  $Bcl(A) \setminus A$  contains no nonempty B $\lambda$ -closed sets.

**Proof:** Necessity. Suppose that  $A$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed. Let  $S$  be a B $\lambda$ -closed subset of  $Bcl(A) \setminus A$ . Then  $A \subseteq S^c$ . Since  $A$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed, we have  $Bcl(A) \subseteq S^c$ . Consequently  $S \subseteq [Bcl(A)]^c$ . Hence  $S \subseteq Bcl(A) \cap [Bcl(A)]^c = \emptyset$ . Therefore  $S$  is empty.

Sufficiency. Suppose that  $Bcl(A) \setminus A$  contains no nonempty B $\lambda$ -closed sets. Let  $A \subseteq G$  and  $G$  be B $\lambda$ -open. If  $Bcl(A) \not\subseteq G$ , then  $Bcl(A) \cap G^c$  is a nonempty B $\lambda$ -closed subset of  $Bcl(A) \setminus A$ . Therefore,  $A$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed.

**Theorem: 3.17** If  $A$  is a  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed set of  $(X, \tau)$  and  $A \subseteq B \subseteq Bcl(A)$ , then  $B$  is a  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed set of  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proof:** Since  $B \subseteq Bcl(A)$ , we have  $Bcl(B) \subseteq Bcl(A)$ . Hence  $(Bcl(B) \setminus B) \subseteq (Bcl(A) \setminus A)$ . But by Theorem 3.16  $Bcl(A) \setminus A$  contains no nonempty B $\lambda$ -closed subsets of  $X$  and hence  $Bcl(B) \setminus B$  does not contain B $\lambda$ -closed sets. Again by Theorem 3.16,  $B$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed.

**Theorem: 3.18** If  $A$  is a B $\lambda$ -open and  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ , then  $A$  is B-closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proof:** Since  $A$  is B $\lambda$ -open and  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed,  $Bcl(A) \subseteq A$  and hence  $A$  is B-closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem: 3.19** For each  $x \in X$ , either  $\{x\}$  is B $\lambda$ -closed or  $\{x\}^c$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proof:** Suppose  $\{x\}$  is not B $\lambda$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $\{x\}^c$  is not B $\lambda$ -open and the only B $\lambda$ -open set containing  $\{x\}^c$  is the space  $X$  itself. Therefore  $Bcl(\{x\}^c) \subseteq X$  and so  $\{x\}^c$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem: 3.20** Let  $A$  be a  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Then

- (1) If  $A$  is regular open, then  $\text{pint}(A)$  and  $\text{scl}(A)$  are also  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed.
- (2) If  $A$  is regular closed, then  $\text{pcl}(A)$  is also  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed.

**Proof:**

- (1) Since  $A$  is regular open in  $(X, \tau)$ , we have  $\text{scl}(A) = A \cup \text{int}(\text{cl}(A)) = A$  and  $\text{pint}(A) = A \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(A)) = A$ . Thus  $\text{scl}(A)$  and  $\text{pint}(A)$  are  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .
- (2) Let  $A$  be regular closed in  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $\text{pcl}(A) = A \cup \text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) = A$ . Thus  $\text{pcl}(A)$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Definition: 3.21** A space  $X$  is said to be a  $B$ -normal space if for every pair of disjoint  $B$ -closed subsets  $A$  and  $B$  of  $X$  there exist  $B$ -open sets  $U, V$  such that  $A \subseteq U, B \subseteq V$  and  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ .

**Remark: 3.22** If  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $B$ -normal space and suppose that  $Y$  is a  $B_g$ -closed subset of  $X$ . Then  $(Y, Y \cap \tau)$  is  $B$ -normal.

**Proof:** Let  $E$  and  $F$  be  $B$ -closed in  $X$  and suppose that  $(Y \cap E) \cap (Y \cap F) = \emptyset$ . Then  $Y \subseteq (E \cap F)^c \in \tau$  and hence  $\text{Bcl}(Y) \subseteq (E \cap F)^c$ . Thus  $(\text{Bcl}(Y) \cap E) \cap (\text{Bcl}(Y) \cap F) = \emptyset$ . Since  $(X, \tau)$  is  $B$ -normal, there exists disjoint  $B$ -open sets  $U$  and  $V$  such that  $\text{Bcl}(Y) \cap E \subseteq U$  and  $\text{Bcl}(Y) \cap F \subseteq V$ . It follows then that  $Y \cap E \subseteq U \cap Y$  and  $Y \cap F \subseteq V \cap Y$ .

**Remark: 3.23** By Remark 3.6. every  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed set of a  $B$ -normal space is  $B$ -normal.

**Definition: 3.24.** A subset  $S$  of  $X$  is said to be locally- $B$ -closed if  $S = U \cap F$ , where  $U$  is  $B$ -open and  $F$  is  $B$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem: 3.25.** For a subset  $S$  of  $(X, \tau)$ , the following are equivalent.

- (1)  $S$  is locally- $B$ -closed.
- (2)  $S = P \cap \text{Bcl}(S)$  for some  $B$ -open set  $P$ .
- (3)  $\text{Bcl}(S) - S$  is  $B$ -closed.
- (4)  $S \cup (X - \text{Bcl}(S))$  is  $B$ -open.
- (5)  $S \subseteq \text{Bint}(S \cup (X - \text{Bcl}(S)))$ .

**Proof:**

- (1)  $\rightarrow$  (2)  $S = P \cap Q$  where  $P$  is  $B$ -open and  $Q$  is  $B$ -closed.  $S \subset Q$  implies  $\text{Bcl}(S) \subset Q$ . So  $S = P \cap Q \supset P \cap \text{Bcl}(S)$ . And  $S \subset P$  and  $S \subset \text{Bcl}(S)$  implies  $S \subset P \cap \text{Bcl}(S)$ . Hence  $S = P \cap \text{Bcl}(S)$ .
- (2)  $\rightarrow$  (3)  $\text{Bcl}(S) - S = \text{Bcl}(S) \cap (X - P)$  which is  $B$ -closed.
- (3)  $\rightarrow$  (4)  $S \cup (X - \text{Bcl}(S)) = X - (\text{Bcl}(S) - S)$ . Hence  $S \cup (X - (\text{Bcl}(S)))$  is  $B$ -open.
- (4)  $\rightarrow$  (5) Since  $S \cup (X - (\text{Bcl}(S)))$  is  $B$ -open,  $S \subseteq \text{Bint}(S \cup (X - (\text{Bcl}(S))))$ .
- (5)  $\rightarrow$  (6)  $S \subseteq \text{Bint}(S \cup (X - (\text{Bcl}(S))))$  implies  $S = \text{Bint}(S \cup (X - (\text{Bcl}(S)))) \cap \text{Bcl}(S)$ .

**Theorem: 3.26** Let  $A$  be locally- $B$ -closed subset of  $(X, \tau)$ . For the set  $A$ , the following properties are equivalent:

- (1)  $A$  is  $B$ -closed;
- (2)  $A$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed;
- (3)  $A$  is  $B_g$ -closed.

**Proof:** By Remark 3.6, it suffices to prove that (3) implies (1). By Theorem 3.25  $A \cup (\text{Bcl}(A))^c$  is  $B$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$  since  $A$  is locally- $B$ -closed. Now  $A \cup (\text{Bcl}(A))^c$  is a  $B$ -open set of  $(X, \tau)$  such that  $A \subseteq A \cup (\text{Bcl}(A))^c$ . Since  $A$  is  $B_g$ -closed, then  $\text{Bcl}(A) \subseteq A \cup (\text{Bcl}(A))^c$ . But  $\text{Bcl}(A) \cap (\text{Bcl}(A))^c = \emptyset$ . Thus we have  $\text{Bcl}(A) \subseteq A$  and hence  $A$  is  $B$ -closed.

**Definition: 3.27** A subset  $A$  in  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$  if and only if  $A^c$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

Every  $B$ -open set in  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$  but not conversely. It can be verified from the following example.

**Example: 3.28** Let  $A = \{a\}$  from Example 3.7. Then  $A$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -open set but it is not  $B$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem: 3.29** The intersection of two  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -open sets is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -open.

**Proof:** This is obvious by Theorem 3.8.

**Theorem: 3.30** A set  $A$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$  if and only if  $F \subseteq \text{Bint}(A)$  whenever  $F$  is  $B\lambda$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$  and  $F \subseteq A$ .

**Proof:** Suppose that  $F \subseteq \text{Bint}(A)$  whenever  $F$  is  $B\lambda$ -closed and  $F \subseteq A$ . Let  $A^c \subseteq G$ , where  $G$  is  $B\lambda$ -open. Hence  $G^c \subseteq A$ . By assumption  $G^c \subseteq \text{Bint}(A)$  which implies that  $(\text{Bint}(A))^c \subseteq G$ , so  $\text{Bcl}(A^c) \subseteq G$ . Hence  $A^c$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed i.e.,  $A$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -open.

Conversely, let  $A$  be  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -open. Then  $A^c$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed. Also let  $F$  be a  $B\lambda$ -closed set contained in  $A$ . Then  $F^c$  is  $B\lambda$ -open. Therefore whenever  $A^c \subseteq F^c$ ,  $\text{Bcl}(A^c) \subseteq F^c$ . This implies that  $F \subseteq (\text{Bcl}(A^c))^c = \text{Bint}(A)$ . Thus  $F \subseteq \text{Bint}(A)$ .

**Theorem: 3.31** A set  $A$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$  if and only if  $G = X$  whenever  $G$  is  $B\lambda$ -open and  $\text{Bint}(A) \cup A^c \subseteq G$ .

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -open,  $G$   $B\lambda$ -open and  $\text{Bint}(A) \cup A^c \subseteq G$ . This gives  $G^c \subseteq (\text{Bint}(A))^c \cap (A^c)^c = (\text{Bint}(A))^c \setminus A^c = \text{Bcl}(A^c) \setminus A^c$ . Since  $A^c$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed and  $G^c$  is  $B\lambda$ -closed, by Theorem 3.16 it follows that  $G^c = \emptyset$ . Therefore  $X = G$ . Conversely, suppose that  $F$  is  $B\lambda$ -closed and  $F \subseteq A$ . Then  $\text{Bint}(A) \cup A^c \subseteq \text{Bint}(A) \cup F^c$ . It follows that  $\text{Bint}(A) \cup F^c = X$  and hence  $F \subseteq \text{Bint}(A)$ . Therefore  $A$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -open.

**Theorem: 3.32** If  $\text{Bint}(A) \subseteq B \subseteq A$  and  $A$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ , then  $B$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proof:** Suppose  $\text{Bint}(A) \subseteq B \subseteq A$  and  $A$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $A^c \subseteq B^c \subseteq \text{Bcl}(A^c)$  and  $A^c$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed. By Theorem 3.17,  $B$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem: 3.33.** A set  $A$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$  if and only if  $\text{Bcl}(A) \setminus A$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proof:** Necessity. Suppose that  $A$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ . Let  $F \subseteq \text{Bcl}(A) \setminus A$ , where  $F$  is  $B\lambda$ -closed. By Theorem 3.16,  $F = \emptyset$ . Therefore  $F \subseteq \text{Bint}(\text{Bcl}(A) \setminus A)$  and by Theorem 3.30,  $\text{Bcl}(A) \setminus A$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

Sufficiency. Let  $A \subseteq G$  where  $G$  is  $B\lambda$ -open. Then  $\text{Bcl}(A) \cap G^c \subseteq \text{Bcl}(A) \cap A^c = \text{Bcl}(A) \setminus A$ . Since  $\text{Bcl}(A) \cap G^c$  is  $B\lambda$ -closed and  $\text{Bcl}(A) \setminus A$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -open, by Theorem 3.30, we have  $\text{Bcl}(A) \cap G^c \subseteq \text{Bint}(\text{Bcl}(A) \setminus A) = \emptyset$ . Hence  $A$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem: 3.34** For a subset  $A \subseteq X$ , the following properties are equivalent.

- (1)  $A$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed.
- (2)  $\text{Bcl}(A) \setminus A$  contains no nonempty  $B\lambda$ -closed set.
- (3)  $\text{Bcl}(A) \setminus A$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -open.

**Proof:** This follows from Theorems 3.16 and 3.33.

**Theorem: 3.35** A subset  $A$  in  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed if and only if  $\text{cl}_{B\lambda}(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \emptyset$  for every  $x \in \text{Bcl}(A)$ .

**Proof:** Necessity. Suppose that  $\text{cl}_{B\lambda}(\{x\}) \cap A = \emptyset$  for some  $x \in \text{Bcl}(A)$ . Then  $X - \text{cl}_{B\lambda}(\{x\})$  is a  $B\lambda$ -open set containing  $A$ . Furthermore,  $x \in \text{Bcl}(A) - (X - \text{cl}_{B\lambda}(\{x\}))$  and hence  $\text{Bcl}(A) \not\subseteq X - \text{cl}_{B\lambda}(\{x\})$ . This shows that  $A$  is not  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed.

Sufficiency. Suppose that  $A$  is not  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed. There exists a  $B\lambda$ -open set  $U$  containing  $A$  such that  $\text{Bcl}(A) - U \neq \emptyset$ . There exists  $x \in \text{Bcl}(A)$  such that  $x \notin U$ ; hence  $\text{cl}_{B\lambda}(\{x\}) \cap U = \emptyset$ . Therefore,  $\text{cl}_{B\lambda}(\{x\}) \cap A = \emptyset$  for some  $x \in \text{Bcl}(A)$ .

#### 4. FUNCTIONS:

**Definition: 4.1** A function  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is said to be

- (1)  $B\lambda$ -irresolute if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $B\lambda$ -open in  $X$  for every  $B\lambda$ -open set  $V$  of  $Y$ ,
- (2)  $B\lambda$ -closed if  $f(F)$  is  $B\lambda$ -closed in  $Y$  for every  $B\lambda$ -closed set  $F$  of  $X$ ,
- (3)  $B$ -continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $B$ -closed in  $X$  for every  $B$ -closed set  $V$  of  $Y$ .

**Definition: 4.2** A map  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is said to be  $B$ -closed if the image of every  $B$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$  is  $B$ -closed set in  $(Y, \sigma)$ .

**Theorem: 4.3** Let  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be  $B\lambda$ -irresolute  $B$ -closed function. If  $A$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed in  $X$ , then  $f(A)$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed in  $Y$ .

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be a  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed set of  $X$  and  $V$  a  $B\lambda$ -open set of  $Y$  containing  $f(A)$ . Since  $f$  is  $B\lambda$ -irresolute,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $B\lambda$ -open in  $X$  and  $A \subset f^{-1}(V)$ . Since  $A$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed,  $\text{Bcl}(A) \subset f^{-1}(V)$  and  $f(A) \subset f(\text{Bcl}(A)) \subset V$ . Since  $f$  is  $B$ -closed, we obtain  $\text{Bcl}(f(A)) \subset V$ . This shows that  $f(A)$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed in  $Y$ .

**Lemma: 4.4** A function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is  $B\lambda$ -closed if and only if for each subset  $B$  of  $Y$  and each  $U \in B\lambda O(X, \tau)$  containing  $f^{-1}(B)$ , there exists  $V \in B\lambda O(Y, \sigma)$  such that  $B \subset V$  and  $f^{-1}(V) \subset U$ .

**Proof:** Necessity. Suppose that  $f$  is  $B\lambda$ -closed. Let  $B \subset Y$  and  $U \in B\lambda O(X, \tau)$  containing  $f^{-1}(B)$ . Put  $V = Y - f(X - U)$ . Then we obtain  $V \in B\lambda O(Y, \sigma)$ ,  $B \subset V$  and  $f^{-1}(V) \subset U$ .

Sufficiency. Let  $F$  be any  $B\lambda$ -closed set of  $(X, \tau)$ . Set  $f(F) = B$ , then  $F \subset f^{-1}(B)$  and  $f^{-1}(Y - B) \subset X - F \in B\lambda O(X, \tau)$ . By hypothesis, there exists  $V \in B\lambda O(Y, \sigma)$  such that  $Y - B \subset V$  and  $f^{-1}(V) \subset X - F$ . Therefore we obtain  $Y - V \subset B = f(F) \subset Y - V$ . Hence  $f(F) = Y - V$  and  $f(F)$  is  $B\lambda$ -closed in  $(Y, \sigma)$ . Therefore,  $f$  is  $B\lambda$ -closed.

**Theorem: 4.5** Let  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be a  $B$ -continuous  $B\lambda$ -closed function. If  $B$  is a  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed set of  $(Y, \sigma)$ , then  $f^{-1}(B)$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proof:** Let  $B$  be a  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed in  $(Y, \sigma)$  and  $U$  a  $B\lambda$ -open set of  $(X, \tau)$  containing  $f^{-1}(B)$ . Since  $f$  is  $B\lambda$ -closed, by Lemma 4.4 there exists a  $B\lambda$ -open set  $V$  of  $(Y, \sigma)$  such that  $B \subset V$  and  $f^{-1}(V) \subset U$ . Since  $B$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed in  $(Y, \sigma)$ ,  $Bcl(B) \subset V$  and hence  $f^{-1}(B) \subset f^{-1}(Bcl(B)) \subset f^{-1}(V) \subset U$ . Since  $f$  is  $B$ -continuous,  $f^{-1}(Bcl(B))$  is  $B$ -closed and hence  $Bcl(f^{-1}(B)) \subset U$ . This shows that  $f^{-1}(B)$  is  $\Lambda_{Bg}$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

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