



## $\psi$ g - CLOSED SETS IN TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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### ABSTRACT

In this paper we introduce and study the notion of  $\psi$  g -closed sets in topological spaces. Also we study some basic properties and applications of  $\psi$  g -closed sets. The relations between  $\psi$  g -closed sets with various closed sets are analyzed.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Levine [3] introduced generalized closed (briefly g-closed) sets and studied their basic properties. Njastad[7] introduced pre-open sets,  $\alpha$ -open sets respectively Bhattacharya and Lahiri[1], Maki et a [4,5], Dontchev and Ganster[2] introduced semi-generalized closed sets, generalized semi-closed sets, generalized  $\alpha$ -closed sets,  $\alpha$ -generalized closed sets and  $\delta$ -generalized closed sets respectively. Veera Kumar [8] introduced g -closed sets in topological spaces. The purpose of this present paper is to define a new class of closed sets called  $\psi$  g -closed sets and also we obtain some basic properties of  $\psi$  g -closed sets in topological spaces.

### 2 PRELIMINARIES

Throughout this paper  $(X, \tau)$  (or simply  $X$ ) represent topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed unless otherwise mentioned. For a subset  $A$  of  $X$ ,  $\text{cl}(A)$ ,  $\text{int}(A)$  and  $A^C$  denote the closure of  $A$ , the interior of  $A$  and the complement of  $A$  respectively. Let us recall the following definitions which are useful in the sequel.

**Definition: 2.1** A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called.

- (i) semi-open set [4] if  $A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$ .
- (ii) pre-open set [8] if  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$ .
- (iii)  $\alpha$ -open set [10] if  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)))$ .
- (iv) regular open set [11] if  $A = \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$ .

The complement of a semi-open (resp. pre-open,  $\alpha$ -open, regular open) set is called semi-closed (resp. semi-closed,  $\alpha$ -closed, regular closed).

**Definition: 2.2** A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called

- (1) a generalized closed set (briefly g-closed) [16] if  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
- (2) a generalized semi-closed set (briefly gs-closed) [3] if  $\text{scl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
- (3) a  $\psi$ -closed set if  $\text{scl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is sg-open of  $(X, \tau)$ .
- (4)  $\psi$ -generalized closed set (briefly  $\psi$  g-closed) if  $\psi \text{cl}(A) \subseteq A$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
- (5) a  $\hat{g}$ -closed set [25] if  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq G$  whenever  $A \subseteq G$  and  $G$  is semi-open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

The complements of the above mentioned sets are called their respective open sets.

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**Theorem: 2.4** Every open set is  $\hat{g}$ -open.

**Proof:** Let A be an open set in X. Then  $A^c$  is closed. Therefore,  $\text{cl}(A^c) = A^c \subseteq X$  whenever  $A^c \subseteq X$  and X is semi-open. This implies  $A^c$  is  $\hat{g}$ -closed.

Hence A is  $\hat{g}$ -open.

### 3 $\psi$ - $\hat{g}$ - CLOSED SETS IN TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

**Definition: 3.1** A subset A of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $\psi$ - $\hat{g}$ -closed if  $\psi \text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is  $\hat{g}$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem: 3.2** Every closed set is  $\psi$ - $\hat{g}$ -closed

**Proof:** Let A be a closed set of  $(X, \tau)$ . Let U be a  $\hat{g}$ -open set of  $(X, \tau)$  such that  $A \subseteq U$ . Since A is closed  $\psi \text{cl}(A) \subseteq \text{cl}(A) = A \subseteq U$ . Therefore A is  $\psi$ - $\hat{g}$ -closed.

The converse need not be true as seen from the following example

**Example: 3.3** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with topology  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, c\}\}$ .  $\text{closed} = \{\emptyset, X, \{b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, c\}\}$ ,  $\psi$ - $\hat{g}$ -closed =  $\{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, c\}\}$ . Here  $\{a\}, \{c\}$  is  $\psi$ - $\hat{g}$ -closed but not closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 3.4:** Every  $\hat{g}$ -closed set is  $\psi$ - $\hat{g}$ -closed

**Proof:** A subset A of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\hat{g}$ -closed. Let U be  $\hat{g}$ -of set  $(X, \tau)$  such that  $A \subseteq U$ . Since A is  $\hat{g}$ -closed  $\psi \text{cl}(A) \subseteq \text{cl}(A) = A \subseteq U$ . Therefore A is  $\psi$ - $\hat{g}$ -closed.

The converse need not be true as seen from the following example

**Example: 3.5** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with topology  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$ .  $\hat{g}$ -closed =  $\{\emptyset, X, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}\}$ ,  $\psi$ - $\hat{g}$ -closed =  $\{\emptyset, X, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, c\}\}$ . Here  $\{a, c\}$  is  $\psi$ - $\hat{g}$ -closed but not  $\hat{g}$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Remark: 3.6** Every  $\psi$ -closed set is semi closed

**Theorem: 3.7** Every  $\psi$ - $\hat{g}$ -closed set is gs-closed

**Proof:** Let A be an  $\psi$ - $\hat{g}$ -closed and U be any open set containing A in  $(X, \tau)$ . Since every open set is  $\hat{g}$ -open,  $\psi \text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  for every subset A of X. Since  $\text{scl}(A) \subseteq \psi \text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$ ,  $\text{scl}(A) \subseteq U$  and hence A is gs-closed.

The converse need not be true as seen from the following example

**Example: 3.8** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with topology  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}\}$ . gs-closed =  $\{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}\}$ ,  $\psi$ - $\hat{g}$ -closed =  $\{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, c\}\}$ . Then the set  $\{c\}$  is gs-closed but not  $\psi$ - $\hat{g}$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem: 3.9** Every  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  -closed set is  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$ -closed

**Proof:** Let A be a  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  -closed and U be any open set containing A. Since every open set is  $\hat{g}$  -open,  $\psi \text{ cl}(A) \subseteq U$ , whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is  $\hat{g}$  -open. Therefore  $\psi \text{ cl}(A) \subseteq U$  and U is open. Hence A is  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$ -closed.

The converse need not be true as seen from the following example

**Example: 3.10** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with topology  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{b\}\}$ .  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$ -closed =  $\{\emptyset, X, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}\}$ ,  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  -closed =  $\{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$  Then the set  $\{b\}$  is  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  -closed but not  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem: 3.11** The union of two  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed subsets of X is also an  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed subset of X.

**Proof:** Assume that A and B are  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed sets in X. Let U be  $\hat{g}$  -open in X such that  $A \cup B \subseteq U$ . Then  $A \subseteq U$  and  $B \subseteq U$ . Since A and B are  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed,  $\psi \text{ cl}(A) \subseteq U$  and  $\psi \text{ cl}(B) \subseteq U$ . Hence  $\psi \text{ cl}(A \cup B) = \psi \text{ cl}(A) \cup \psi \text{ cl}(B) \subseteq U$ . That is  $\psi \text{ cl}(A \cup B) \subseteq U$ . Therefore  $A \cup B$  is  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed set in X.

**Theorem: 3.12** Let A be a  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed set of  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $\psi \text{ cl}(A) - A$  does not contain a non-empty  $\hat{g}$  - closed set.

**Proof:** Suppose that A is  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed set, let F be a  $\hat{g}$  -closed set contained in  $\psi \text{ cl}(A) - A$ . Now  $F^C$  is  $\hat{g}$  -open set of  $(X, \tau)$  such that  $A \subseteq F^C$ . Since A is  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed set of  $(X, \tau)$ , then  $\psi \text{ cl}(A) \subseteq F^C$ . Thus  $F \subseteq (\psi \text{ cl}(A))^C$ . Also  $F \subseteq \psi \text{ cl}(A) - A$ . Therefore  $F \subseteq (\psi \text{ cl}(A))^C \cap (\psi \text{ cl}(A)) = \emptyset$ . Hence  $F = \emptyset$ .

**Theorem: 3.13** If A is  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed set in  $(X, \tau)$  and  $A \subseteq B \subseteq \psi \text{ cl}(A)$ . Then B is  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed set.

**Proof:** Let U be a  $\hat{g}$  -open set of  $(X, \tau)$  such that  $B \subseteq U$ . Then  $A \subseteq U$ . Since A is  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed set,  $\psi \text{ cl}(A) \subseteq U$ . Also since  $B \subseteq \psi \text{ cl}(A)$ ,  $\psi \text{ cl}(B) \subseteq \psi \text{ cl}(\psi \text{ cl}(A)) = \psi \text{ cl}(A)$ . Hence  $\psi \text{ cl}(B) \subseteq U$ .

Therefore B is also a  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed set.

**Theorem: 3.14** For each  $x \in X$  either  $\{x\}$  is  $\hat{g}$  - closed or  $\{x\}^C$  is  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed set.

**Proof:** Suppose that  $\{x\}$  is not  $\hat{g}$  - closed in X. Then only  $\{x\}^C$  is not  $\hat{g}$  -open and the only  $\hat{g}$  -open set containing  $\{x\}^C$  is the space X itself. That is  $\{x\}^C \subseteq X$ . Therefore  $\psi \text{ cl}(A) (\{x\}^C) \subseteq X$  and so  $\{x\}^C$  is  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed set.

**Theorem: 3.15** Let x be a  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed set in X. Then A is  $\psi$  - closed set iff  $\psi \text{ cl}(A) - A$  is closed.

**Proof: Necessity:** Let A be an  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed subset of X. Then  $\psi \text{ cl}(A) = A$  and so  $\psi \text{ cl}(A) - A = \emptyset$  which is closed.

**Sufficiency:** Since A is  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed set by theorem 3.12  $\psi \text{ cl}(A) - A$  contains no nonempty closed set. But  $\psi \text{ cl}(A) - A$  is closed. This implies  $\psi \text{ cl}(A) - A = \emptyset$ . That is  $\psi \text{ cl}(A) = A$ . Hence A is  $\psi$  -closed.

**Definition: 3.16** The intersection of all  $\hat{g}$  -open subsets of  $(X, \tau)$  containing A is called the  $\hat{g}$  -kernel of A and is denoted by  $\hat{g}$  -ker(A) .

**Theorem: 3.17** A subset A of  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed set iff  $\psi \text{ cl}(A) \subseteq \hat{g}$  -ker(A)

**Proof:** Suppose that A is  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed set in X. Then  $\psi \text{ cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is  $\hat{g}$  -open in  $(X, \tau)$ . Let  $x \in \psi \text{ cl}(A)$ . If  $x \notin \hat{g}$  -ker(A), then there is a  $\hat{g}$  -open set U such that  $x \notin U$ . Since U is a  $\hat{g}$  -open set containing A, we have  $x \notin \psi \text{ cl}(A)$ , which is a contradiction.

Conversely let  $\psi \text{ cl}(A) \subseteq \hat{g}$  -ker(A). If u is any  $\hat{g}$  -open set containing A, then  $\psi \text{ cl}(A) \subseteq \hat{g}$  -ker(A)  $\subseteq U$ . Therefore A is  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed set.

**Definition: 3.18** A space  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $T_{\psi \hat{g}}$  if every  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed set in it is  $\psi$  -closed.

**Theorem: 3.19** For a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , the following conditions are equivalent.

- (i)  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $T_{\psi \hat{g}}$  -space.
- (ii) Every singleton  $\{x\}$  is either  $\hat{g}$  -closed or  $\psi$  -open.

**Proof:** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii)

Let  $x \in X$ . Suppose  $\{x\}$  is not a  $\hat{g}$  -closed set of  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $X - \{x\}$  is not a  $\hat{g}$  -open set. Thus  $X - \{x\}$  is an  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  -closed set of  $(X, \tau)$ . Since  $(X, \tau)$  is  $T_{\psi \hat{g}}$  -closed,  $X - \{x\}$  is an  $\psi$  -closed set of  $(X, \tau)$ , that is  $\{x\}$  is  $\psi$  -open set of  $(X, \tau)$ .

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i)

Let A be an  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed set of  $(X, \tau)$ . Let  $x \in \psi \text{ cl}(A)$ . By (ii)  $\{x\}$  is either  $\hat{g}$  - closed or  $\psi$  -open.

**Case (i):** Let  $\{x\}$  be  $\hat{g}$  - closed. If we assume that  $x \notin A$ , then we would have  $x \in \psi \text{ cl}(A) - A$ , which cannot happen according to theorem 3.8. Hence  $x \in A$ .

**Case (ii):** Let  $\{x\}$  be  $\psi$  -open. Since  $x \in \psi \text{ cl}(A)$ , then  $\{x\} \cap A = \emptyset$ . This shows that  $x \notin A$ .

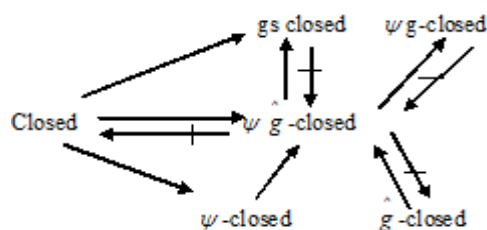
So in both the cases we have  $A \subseteq \psi \text{ cl}(A)$ . Therefore  $A = \psi \text{ cl}(A)$  or equivalently A is closed. Hence  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $T_{\psi \hat{g}}$  -space.

**Theorem: 3.20** If A is  $\hat{g}$  -open and  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed subset of  $(X, \tau)$ , then A is a  $\psi$  -closed subset of  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proof:** Since A is  $\hat{g}$  -open and  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  - closed set,  $\psi \text{ cl}(A) \subseteq A$ . Hence A is  $\psi$  -closed.

**Remark: 3.21**

The following diagram shows the relationships of  $\psi$   $\hat{g}$  -closed sets with some other sets discussed in this section.



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