

## **\* $g$ -CLOSED SETS IN IDEAL TOPOLOGICAL SPACES**

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ABSTRACT. Characterizations and properties of  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed sets and  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -open sets are given. A characterization of normal spaces is given in terms of  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -open sets. Also, it is established that an  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed subset of an  $\mathcal{I}$ -compact space is  $\mathcal{I}$ -compact.

### **1. Introduction and preliminaries**

An ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  on a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is a nonempty collection of subsets of  $X$  which satisfies (i)  $A \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $B \subset A \Rightarrow B \in \mathcal{I}$  and (ii)  $A \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $B \in \mathcal{I} \Rightarrow A \cup B \in \mathcal{I}$ . Given a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  with an ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  on  $X$  and if  $\wp(X)$  is the set of all subsets of  $X$ , a set operator  $(.)^* : \wp(X) \rightarrow \wp(X)$ , called a local function [8] of  $A$  with respect to  $\tau$  and  $\mathcal{I}$  is defined as follows: for  $A \subseteq X$ ,  $A^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau) = \{x \in X \mid U \cap A \notin \mathcal{I} \text{ for every } U \in \tau(x)\}$  where  $\tau(x) = \{U \in \tau \mid x \in U\}$ . We will make use of the basic facts about the local functions [[7], Theorem 2.3] without mentioning it explicitly. A Kuratowski closure operator  $cl^*(.)$  for a topology  $\tau^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$ , called the  $\star$ -topology, finer than  $\tau$  is defined by  $cl^*(A) = A \cup A^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$  [16]. When there is no chance for confusion, we will simply write  $A^*$  for  $A^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$  and  $\tau^*$  for  $\tau^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$ .

If  $\mathcal{I}$  is an ideal on  $X$ , then  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is called an ideal space.  $\mathcal{N}$  is the ideal of all nowhere dense subsets in  $(X, \tau)$ . A subset  $A$  of an ideal space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is  $\star$ -closed [7]

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(resp.  $\star$ -dense in itself [5]) if  $A^* \subseteq A$  (resp.  $A \subseteq A^*$ ). A subset  $A$  of an ideal space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is  $\mathcal{I}_g$ -closed [2] if  $A^* \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open.

By a space, we always mean a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  with no separation properties assumed. If  $A \subseteq X$ ,  $\text{cl}(A)$  and  $\text{int}(A)$  will, respectively, denote the closure and interior of  $A$  in  $(X, \tau)$  and  $\text{int}^*(A)$  will denote the interior of  $A$  in  $(X, \tau^*)$ .

A subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is an  $\alpha$ -open [14] (resp. semi-open [9], preopen [11]) set if  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)))$  (resp.  $A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$ ,  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$ ).

The family of all  $\alpha$ -open sets in  $(X, \tau)$ , denoted by  $\tau^\alpha$ , is a topology on  $X$  finer than  $\tau$ . The closure of  $A$  in  $(X, \tau^\alpha)$  is denoted by  $\text{cl}_\alpha(A)$ .

**Definition 1.1.** A subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be

- (1)  $g$ -closed [10] if  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open,
- (2)  $\hat{g}$ -closed [17] if  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is semi-open,
- (3)  $\hat{g}$ -open [17] if its complement is  $\hat{g}$ -closed,
- (4)  $\star g$ -closed [6] if  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open.

The family of all  $\hat{g}$ -open sets in  $(X, \tau)$  is a topology on  $X$ . The  $\hat{g}$ -closure [17] of a subset  $A$  of  $X$ , denoted by  $\hat{g}\text{cl}(A)$ , is defined to be the intersection of all  $\hat{g}$ -closed sets containing  $A$ .

**Definition 1.2.** An ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  is said to be

- (1) codense [3] or  $\tau$ -boundary [13] if  $\tau \cap \mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ ,
- (2) completely codense [3] if  $\text{PO}(X) \cap \mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ , where  $\text{PO}(X)$  is the family of all preopen sets in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Lemma 1.1.** *Every completely codense ideal is codense but not the converse [3].*

The following Lemmas will be useful in the sequel.

**Lemma 1.2.** *Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal space and  $A \subseteq X$ . If  $A \subseteq A^*$ , then  $A^* = cl(A^*) = cl(A) = cl^*(A)$  [[15], Theorem 5].*

**Lemma 1.3.** *Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal space. Then  $\mathcal{I}$  is codense if and only if  $G \subseteq G^*$  for every semi-open set  $G$  in  $X$  [[15], Theorem 3].*

**Lemma 1.4.** *Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal space. If  $\mathcal{I}$  is completely codense, then  $\tau^* \subseteq \tau^\alpha$  [[15], Theorem 6].*

Remark 1. If  $(X, \tau)$  is a topological space, then every closed set is  $\hat{g}$ -closed but not conversely [[1], Theorem 2.3].

**Lemma 1.5.** *If  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is a  $T_1$  ideal space and  $A$  is an  $\mathcal{I}_g$ -closed set, then  $A$  is a  $\star$ -closed set [[12], Corollary 2.2].*

**Lemma 1.6.** *Every  $g$ -closed set is  $\mathcal{I}_g$ -closed but not conversely [[2], Theorem 2.1].*

## 2. $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed sets

**Definition 2.1.** A subset  $A$  of an ideal space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be

- (1)  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed if  $A^* \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open,
- (2)  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -open if its complement is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed.

**Theorem 2.1.** *If  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is any ideal space, then every  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed set is  $\mathcal{I}_g$ -closed but not conversely.*

**Example 2.1.** *Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{c\}, \{a, b\}\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed sets are  $\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}$  and  $\mathcal{I}_g$ -closed sets are power set of  $X$ . It is clear that  $\{b\}$  is  $\mathcal{I}_g$ -closed but it is not  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed.*

The following theorem gives characterizations of  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed sets.

**Theorem 2.2.** *If  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is any ideal space and  $A \subseteq X$ , then the following are equivalent.*

- (1)  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed,
- (2)  $cl^*(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open in  $X$ ,
- (3) For all  $x \in cl^*(A)$ ,  $\hat{g}cl(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ .
- (4)  $cl^*(A) - A$  contains no nonempty  $\hat{g}$ -closed set,
- (5)  $A^* - A$  contains no nonempty  $\hat{g}$ -closed set.

*Proof.* (1) $\Rightarrow$ (2) If  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed, then  $A^* \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open in  $X$  and so  $cl^*(A) = A \cup A^* \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open in  $X$ . This proves (2).

(2) $\Rightarrow$ (3) Suppose  $x \in cl^*(A)$ . If  $\hat{g}cl(\{x\}) \cap A = \emptyset$ , then  $A \subseteq X - \hat{g}cl(\{x\})$ . By (2),  $cl^*(A) \subseteq X - \hat{g}cl(\{x\})$ , a contradiction, since  $x \in cl^*(A)$ .

(3) $\Rightarrow$ (4) Suppose  $F \subseteq cl^*(A) - A$ ,  $F$  is  $\hat{g}$ -closed and  $x \in F$ . Since  $F \subseteq X - A$  and  $F$  is  $\hat{g}$ -closed, then  $A \subseteq X - F$  and  $F$  is  $\hat{g}$ -closed,  $\hat{g}cl(\{x\}) \cap A = \emptyset$ . Since  $x \in cl^*(A)$  by (3),  $\hat{g}cl(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ . Therefore  $cl^*(A) - A$  contains no nonempty  $\hat{g}$ -closed set.

(4) $\Rightarrow$ (5) Since  $cl^*(A) - A = (A \cup A^*) - A = (A \cup A^*) \cap A^c = (A \cap A^c) \cup (A^* \cap A^c) = A^* \cap A^c = A^* - A$ . Therefore  $A^* - A$  contains no nonempty  $\hat{g}$ -closed set.

(5) $\Rightarrow$ (1) Let  $A \subseteq U$  where  $U$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open set. Therefore  $X - U \subseteq X - A$  and so  $A^* \cap (X - U) \subseteq A^* \cap (X - A) = A^* - A$ . Therefore  $A^* \cap (X - U) \subseteq A^* - A$ . Since  $A^*$  is always closed set, so  $A^*$  is  $\hat{g}$ -closed set and so  $A^* \cap (X - U)$  is a  $\hat{g}$ -closed set contained in  $A^* - A$ . Therefore  $A^* \cap (X - U) = \emptyset$  and hence  $A^* \subseteq U$ . Therefore  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed.

**Theorem 2.3.** *Every  $\star$ -closed set is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed but not conversely.*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be a  $\star$ -closed, then  $A^* \subseteq A$ . Let  $A \subseteq U$  where  $U$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open. Hence  $A^* \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open. Therefore  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed.

**Example 2.2.** *Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a, b\}\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed sets are  $\emptyset, X, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}$  and  $\star$ -closed sets are  $\emptyset, X, \{c\}$ . It is clear that  $\{a, c\}$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed set but it is not  $\star$ -closed.*

**Theorem 2.4.** *Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal space. For every  $A \in \mathcal{I}$ ,  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed.*

*Proof.* Let  $A \subseteq U$  where  $U$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open set. Since  $A^* = \emptyset$  for every  $A \in \mathcal{I}$ , then  $cl^*(A) = A \cup A^* = A \subseteq U$ . Therefore, by Theorem 2.2,  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed.

**Theorem 2.5.** *If  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is an ideal space, then  $A^*$  is always  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $A^* \subseteq U$  where  $U$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open. Since  $(A^*)^* \subseteq A^*$  [7], we have  $(A^*)^* \subseteq U$  whenever  $A^* \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open. Hence  $A^*$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed.

**Theorem 2.6.** *Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal space. Then every  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed,  $\hat{g}$ -open set is  $\star$ -closed set.*

*Proof.* Since  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed and  $\hat{g}$ -open. Then  $A^* \subseteq A$  whenever  $A \subseteq A$  and  $A$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open. Hence  $A$  is  $\star$ -closed.

**Corollary 2.1.** *If  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is a  $T_{\mathcal{I}}$  ideal space and  $A$  is an  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed set, then  $A$  is  $\star$ -closed set.*

**Corollary 2.2.** *Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal space and  $A$  be an  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed set. Then the following are equivalent.*

- (1)  $A$  is a  $\star$ -closed set,
- (2)  $cl^*(A) - A$  is a  $\hat{g}$ -closed set,
- (3)  $A^* - A$  is a  $\hat{g}$ -closed set.

*Proof.* (1) $\Rightarrow$ (2) If  $A$  is  $\star$ -closed, then  $A^* \subseteq A$  and so  $cl^*(A) - A = (A \cup A^*) - A = \emptyset$ . Hence  $cl^*(A) - A$  is  $\hat{g}$ -closed set.

(2) $\Rightarrow$ (3) Since  $cl^*(A) - A = A^* - A$  and so  $A^* - A$  is  $\hat{g}$ -closed set.

(3) $\Rightarrow$ (1) If  $A^* - A$  is a  $\hat{g}$ -closed set, since  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed set, by Theorem 2.2,  $A^* - A = \emptyset$  and so  $A$  is  $\star$ -closed.

**Theorem 2.7.** *Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal space. Then every  $*g$ -closed set is an  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed set but not conversely.*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be a  $*g$ -closed set. Then  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open. We have  $\text{cl}^*(A) \subseteq \text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open. Hence  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed.

**Example 2.3.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{c\}, \{a, b\}\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed sets are  $\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}$  and  $*g$ -closed sets are  $\emptyset, X, \{c\}, \{a, b\}$ . It is clear that  $\{a\}$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed set but it is not  $*g$ -closed.

**Theorem 2.8.** If  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is an ideal space and  $A$  is a  $\star$ -dense in itself,  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed subset of  $X$ , then  $A$  is  $*g$ -closed.

*Proof.* Suppose  $A$  is a  $\star$ -dense in itself,  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed subset of  $X$ . Let  $A \subseteq U$  where  $U$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open. Then by Theorem 2.2 (2),  $\text{cl}^*(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open. Since  $A$  is  $\star$ -dense in itself, by Lemma 1.2,  $\text{cl}(A) = \text{cl}^*(A)$ . Therefore  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open. Hence  $A$  is  $*g$ -closed.

**Corollary 2.3.** If  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is any ideal space where  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ , then  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed if and only if  $A$  is  $*g$ -closed.

*Proof.* From the fact that for  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ ,  $A^* = \text{cl}(A) \supseteq A$ . Therefore  $A$  is  $\star$ -dense in itself. Since  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed, by Theorem 2.8,  $A$  is  $*g$ -closed.

Conversely, by Theorem 2.7, every  $*g$ -closed set is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed set.

**Corollary 2.4.** If  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is any ideal space where  $\mathcal{I}$  is codense and  $A$  is a semi-open,  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed subset of  $X$ , then  $A$  is  $*g$ -closed.

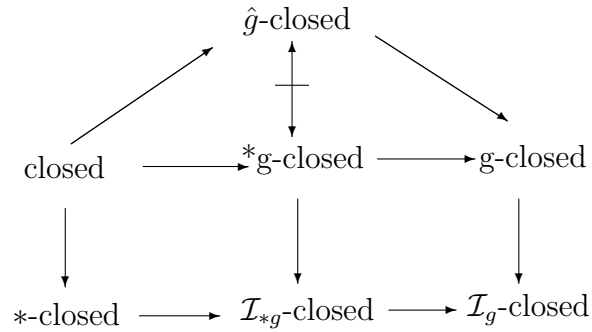
*Proof.* By Lemma 1.3,  $A$  is  $\star$ -dense in itself. By Theorem 2.8,  $A$  is  $*g$ -closed.

**Example 2.4.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{c\}, \{a, b\}\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$ . Then  $g$ -closed sets are power set of  $X$  and  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed sets are  $\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}$ . It is clear that  $\{b\}$  is  $g$ -closed set but it is not  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed.

**Example 2.5.** Let  $X=\{a,b,c\}$ ,  $\tau=\{\emptyset,X,\{a,b\}\}$  and  $\mathcal{I}=\{\emptyset,\{a\}\}$ . Then  $g$ -closed sets are  $\emptyset,X,\{c\},\{a,c\},\{b,c\}$  and  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed sets are  $\emptyset,X,\{a\},\{c\},\{a,c\},\{b,c\}$ . It is clear that  $\{a\}$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed set but it is not  $g$ -closed.

Remark 2. By Example 2.4 and Example 2.5,  $g$ -closed sets and  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed sets are independent.

Remark 3. We have the following implications for the subsets stated above.



**Theorem 2.9.** Let  $(X,\tau,\mathcal{I})$  be an ideal space and  $A\subseteq X$ . Then  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed if and only if  $A=F-N$  where  $F$  is  $\star$ -closed and  $N$  contains no nonempty  $\hat{g}$ -closed set.

*Proof.* If  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed, then by Theorem 2.2 (5),  $N=A^*-A$  contains no nonempty  $\hat{g}$ -closed set. If  $F=\text{cl}^*(A)$ , then  $F$  is  $\star$ -closed such that  $F-N=(A\cup A^*)-(A^*-A)=(A\cup A^*)\cap (A^*\cap A^c)^c=(A\cup A^*)\cap ((A^*)^c\cup A)=(A\cup A^*)\cap (A\cup (A^*)^c)=A\cup (A^*\cap (A^*)^c)=A$ .

Conversely, suppose  $A=F-N$  where  $F$  is  $\star$ -closed and  $N$  contains no nonempty  $\hat{g}$ -closed set. Let  $U$  be an  $\hat{g}$ -open set such that  $A\subseteq U$ . Then  $F-N\subseteq U$  which implies that  $F\cap(X-U)\subseteq N$ . Now  $A\subseteq F$  and  $F^*\subseteq F$  then  $A^*\subseteq F^*$  and so  $A^*\cap(X-U)\subseteq F^*\cap(X-U)\subseteq F\cap(X-U)\subseteq N$ . By hypothesis, since  $A^*\cap(X-U)$  is  $\hat{g}$ -closed,  $A^*\cap(X-U)=\emptyset$  and so  $A^*\subseteq U$ . Hence  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed.

**Theorem 2.10.** Let  $(X,\tau,\mathcal{I})$  be an ideal space and  $A\subseteq X$ . If  $A\subseteq B\subseteq A^*$ , then  $A^*=B^*$  and  $B$  is  $\star$ -dense in itself.

*Proof.* Since  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $A^* \subseteq B^*$  and since  $B \subseteq A^*$ , then  $B^* \subseteq (A^*)^* \subseteq A^*$ . Therefore  $A^* = B^*$  and  $B \subseteq A^* \subseteq B^*$ . Hence proved.

**Theorem 2.11.** *Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal space. If  $A$  and  $B$  are subsets of  $X$  such that  $A \subseteq B \subseteq \text{cl}^*(A)$  and  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed, then  $B$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed.*

*Proof.* Since  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed, then by Theorem 2.2 (5),  $\text{cl}^*(A) - A$  contains no nonempty  $\hat{g}$ -closed set. Since  $\text{cl}^*(B) - B \subseteq \text{cl}^*(A) - A$  and so  $\text{cl}^*(B) - B$  contains no nonempty  $\hat{g}$ -closed set. Hence  $B$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed.

**Corollary 2.5.** *Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal space. If  $A$  and  $B$  are subsets of  $X$  such that  $A \subseteq B \subseteq A^*$  and  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed, then  $A$  and  $B$  are  $*g$ -closed sets.*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of  $X$  such that  $A \subseteq B \subseteq A^*$  which implies that  $A \subseteq B \subseteq A^* \subseteq \text{cl}^*(A)$  and  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed. By Theorem 2.11,  $B$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed. Since  $A \subseteq B \subseteq A^*$ , then  $A^* = B^*$  and so  $A$  and  $B$  are  $\star$ -dense in itself. By Theorem 2.8,  $A$  and  $B$  are  $*g$ -closed.

The following theorem gives a characterization of  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -open sets.

**Theorem 2.12.** *Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal space and  $A \subseteq X$ . Then  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -open if and only if  $F \subseteq \text{int}^*(A)$  whenever  $F$  is  $\hat{g}$ -closed and  $F \subseteq A$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -open. If  $F$  is  $\hat{g}$ -closed and  $F \subseteq A$ , then  $X - A \subseteq X - F$  and so  $\text{cl}^*(X - A) \subseteq X - F$  by Theorem 2.2 (2). Therefore  $F \subseteq X - \text{cl}^*(X - A) = \text{int}^*(A)$ . Hence  $F \subseteq \text{int}^*(A)$ .

Conversely, suppose the condition holds. Let  $U$  be a  $\hat{g}$ -open set such that  $X - A \subseteq U$ . Then  $X - U \subseteq A$  and so  $X - U \subseteq \text{int}^*(A)$ . Therefore  $\text{cl}^*(X - A) \subseteq U$ . By Theorem 2.2 (2),  $X - A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed. Hence  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -open.

**Corollary 2.6.** *Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal space and  $A \subseteq X$ . If  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -open, then  $F \subseteq \text{int}^*(A)$  whenever  $F$  is closed and  $F \subseteq A$ .*



The following theorem gives a property of  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed.

**Theorem 2.13.** *Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal space and  $A \subseteq X$ . If  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -open and  $\text{int}^*(A) \subseteq B \subseteq A$ , then  $B$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -open.*

*Proof.* Since  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -open, then  $X-A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed. By Theorem 2.2 (4),  $\text{cl}^*(X-A) - (X-A)$  contains no nonempty  $\hat{g}$ -closed set. Since  $\text{int}^*(A) \subseteq \text{int}^*(B)$  which implies that  $\text{cl}^*(X-B) \subseteq \text{cl}^*(X-A)$  and so  $\text{cl}^*(X-B) - (X-B) \subseteq \text{cl}^*(X-A) - (X-A)$ . Hence  $B$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -open.

The following theorem gives a characterization of  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed sets in terms of  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -open sets.

**Theorem 2.14.** *Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal space and  $A \subseteq X$ . Then the following are equivalent.*

- (1)  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed,
- (2)  $A \cup (X - A^*)$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed,
- (3)  $A^* - A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -open.

*Proof.* (1) $\Rightarrow$ (2) Suppose  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed. If  $U$  is any  $\hat{g}$ -open set such that  $A \cup (X - A^*) \subseteq U$ , then  $X - U \subseteq X - (A \cup (X - A^*)) = X \cap (A \cup (X - A^*))^c = A^* \cap A^c = A^* - A$ . Since  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed, by Theorem 2.2 (5), it follows that  $X - U = \emptyset$  and so  $X = U$ . Therefore  $A \cup (X - A^*) \subseteq U$  which implies that  $A \cup (X - A^*) \subseteq X$  and so  $(A \cup (X - A^*))^* \subseteq X^* \subseteq X = U$ . Hence  $A \cup (X - A^*)$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed.

(2) $\Rightarrow$ (1) Suppose  $A \cup (X - A^*)$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed. If  $F$  is any  $\hat{g}$ -closed set such that  $F \subseteq A^* - A$ , then  $F \subseteq A^*$  and  $F \subseteq X \setminus A$  which implies that  $X - A^* \subseteq X - F$  and  $A \subseteq X - F$ . Therefore  $A \cup (X - A^*) \subseteq A \cup (X - F) = X - F$  and  $X - F$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open. Since  $(A \cup (X - A^*))^* \subseteq X - F$  which implies that  $A^* \cup (X - A^*)^* \subseteq X - F$  and so  $A^* \subseteq X - F$  which implies that  $F \subseteq X - A^*$ . Since  $F \subseteq A^*$ , it follows that  $F = \emptyset$ . Hence  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed.

(2) $\Leftrightarrow$ (3) Since  $X - (A^* - A) = X \cap (A^* \cap A^c)^c = X \cap ((A^*)^c \cup A) = (X \cap (A^*)^c) \cup (X \cap A) = A \cup (X - A^*)$ , the equivalence is clear.

**Theorem 2.15.** *Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal space. Then every subset of  $X$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed if and only if every  $\hat{g}$ -open set is  $\star$ -closed.*

*Proof.* Suppose every subset of  $X$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed. If  $U \subseteq X$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open, then  $U$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed and so  $U^* \subseteq U$ . Hence  $U$  is  $\star$ -closed.

Conversely, suppose that every  $\hat{g}$ -open set is  $\star$ -closed. If  $U$  is  $\hat{g}$ -open set such that  $A \subseteq U \subseteq X$ , then  $A^* \subseteq U^* \subseteq U$  and so  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed.

The following theorem gives a characterization of normal spaces in terms of  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -open sets.

**Theorem 2.16.** *Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal space where  $\mathcal{I}$  is completely codense. Then the following are equivalent.*

- (1)  $X$  is normal,
- (2) For any disjoint closed sets  $A$  and  $B$ , there exist disjoint  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -open sets  $U$  and  $V$  such that  $A \subseteq U$  and  $B \subseteq V$ ,
- (3) For any closed set  $A$  and open set  $V$  containing  $A$ , there exists an  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -open set  $U$  such that  $A \subseteq U \subseteq \text{cl}^*(U) \subseteq V$ .

*Proof.* (1) $\Rightarrow$ (2) The proof follows from the fact that every open set is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -open.

(2) $\Rightarrow$ (3) Suppose  $A$  is closed and  $V$  is an open set containing  $A$ . Since  $A$  and  $X - V$  are disjoint closed sets, there exist disjoint  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -open sets  $U$  and  $W$  such that  $A \subseteq U$  and  $X - V \subseteq W$ . Since  $X - V$  is  $\hat{g}$ -closed and  $W$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -open,  $X - V \subseteq \text{int}^*(W)$  and so  $X - \text{int}^*(W) \subseteq V$ . Again  $U \cap W = \emptyset$  which implies that  $U \cap \text{int}^*(W) = \emptyset$  and so  $U \subseteq X - \text{int}^*(W)$  which implies that  $\text{cl}^*(U) \subseteq X - \text{int}^*(W) \subseteq V$ .  $U$  is the required  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -open sets with  $A \subseteq U \subseteq \text{cl}^*(U) \subseteq V$ .

(3) $\Rightarrow$ (1) Let A and B be two disjoint closed subsets of X. By hypothesis, there exists an  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -open set U such that  $A \subseteq U \subseteq \text{cl}^*(U) \subseteq X - B$ . Since U is  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -open,  $A \subseteq \text{int}^*(U)$ . Since  $\mathcal{I}$  is completely codense, by Lemma 1.4,  $\tau^* \subseteq \tau^\alpha$  and so  $\text{int}^*(U)$  and  $X - \text{cl}^*(U) \in \tau^\alpha$ . Hence  $A \subseteq \text{int}^*(U) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{int}^*(U)))) = G$  and  $B \subseteq X - \text{cl}^*(U) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(X - \text{cl}^*(U)))) = H$ . G and H are the required disjoint open sets containing A and B respectively, which proves (1).

**Definition 2.2.** A subset A of an ideal space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be an  $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed set [1] if  $\text{cl}_\alpha(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is  $\hat{g}$ -open. The complement of  $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed is said to be an  $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open set.

If  $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{N}$ , it is not difficult to see that  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed sets coincide with  $\alpha\hat{g}$ -closed sets and so we have the following Corollary.

**Corollary 2.7.** *Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal space where  $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{N}$ . Then the following are equivalent.*

- (1) *X is normal,*
- (2) *For any disjoint closed sets A and B, there exist disjoint  $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open sets U and V such that  $A \subseteq U$  and  $B \subseteq V$ ,*
- (3) *For any closed set A and open set V containing A, there exists an  $\alpha\hat{g}$ -open set U such that  $A \subseteq U \subseteq \text{cl}_\alpha(U) \subseteq V$ .*

**Definition 2.3.** A subset A of an ideal space is said to be  $\mathcal{I}$ -compact [4] or compact modulo  $\mathcal{I}$  [13] if for every open cover  $\{U_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \Delta\}$  of A, there exists a finite subset  $\Delta_0$  of  $\Delta$  such that  $A - \cup\{U_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \Delta_0\} \in \mathcal{I}$ . The space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is  $\mathcal{I}$ -compact if X is  $\mathcal{I}$ -compact as a subset.

**Theorem 2.17.** *Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal space. If A is an  $\mathcal{I}_g$ -closed subset of X, then A is  $\mathcal{I}$ -compact [12], Theorem 2.17].*

**Corollary 2.8.** *Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal space. If  $A$  is an  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed subset of  $X$ , then  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}$ -compact.*

*Proof.* The proof follows from the fact that every  $\mathcal{I}_{*g}$ -closed is  $\mathcal{I}_g$ -closed.

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