



C –sets and decomposition of continuity in generalized topological spaces

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ABSTRACT: In generalized topological spaces, we define μC –sets and establish some decomposition of continuity between generalized topological spaces. Moreover, we prove that some of the results established in [3] are already established results in topological spaces [10]. Some generalizations of these results are also given.

Key Words: generalized topology; μ –open and μ –closed sets; quasi-topology; $\mu\alpha$ –open, $\mu\sigma$ –open, $\mu\pi$ –open, μb –open and $\mu\beta$ –open sets.

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1. Introduction

A nonempty family μ of subsets of a set X is said to be a *generalized topology* [5] if $\emptyset \in \mu$ and arbitrary union of elements of μ is again in μ . The pair (X, μ) is called a generalized topological space or simply, a space and elements of μ are called μ –open sets. $A \subset X$ is a μ –closed set if $X - A$ is a μ –open set. If $X \in \mu$, then (X, μ) is called a *strong* [7] space. In a space (X, μ) , if μ is closed under finite intersection, then (X, μ) is called a *quasi-topological space* [9]. Clearly, every strong, quasi-topological space is a topological space. For $A \subset X$, $c_\mu(A)$ is the intersection of all μ –closed sets containing A and $i_\mu(A)$ is the union of all μ –open sets contained in A . Moreover, $X - c_\mu(A) = i_\mu(X - A)$, for every subset A of X . Clearly, (X, μ) is strong if and only if \emptyset is μ –closed if and only if $c_\mu(\{\emptyset\}) = \emptyset$.

A subset A of a space (X, μ) is said to be a $\mu\alpha$ –open set [8] (resp. $\mu\sigma$ –open set [8], $\mu\pi$ –open set [8], μb –open set [15], $\mu\beta$ –open set [8]) if $A \subset i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(A)$ (resp. $A \subset c_\mu i_\mu(A)$, $A \subset i_\mu c_\mu(A)$, $A \subset i_\mu c_\mu(A) \cup c_\mu i_\mu(A)$, $A \subset c_\mu i_\mu c_\mu(A)$). A subset A of a space (X, μ) is said to be a $\mu\alpha$ –closed set (resp. $\mu\sigma$ –closed set, $\mu\pi$ –closed set, μb –closed set, $\mu\beta$ –closed set) if $X - A$ is a $\mu\alpha$ –open set (resp. $\mu\sigma$ –open set, $\mu\pi$ –open set, μb –open set, $\mu\beta$ –open set). We will denote the family of all $\mu\alpha$ –open sets (resp. $\mu\sigma$ –open sets, $\mu\pi$ –open sets, μb –open sets, $\mu\beta$ –open sets)

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by $\alpha(\mu)$ (resp. $\sigma(\mu)$, $\pi(\mu)$, $b(\mu)$, $\beta(\mu)$).

A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is said to be α -open [14] (resp. semiopen [12], preopen [13], b -open [1], β -open [2]) if $A \subset ici(A)$ (resp. $A \subset ci(A)$, $A \subset ic(A)$, $A \subset ic(A) \cup ci(A)$, $A \subset cic(A)$) where c and i are respectively, the closure and interior operators of the topological space (X, τ) .

If μ is a monotonic function defined on $\wp(X)$ of a nonempty set X , then a subset A of X is said to be μ -regular [4] if $A = \mu(A)$. More generally, A is said to be $\mu\pi$ -regular if $A = i_\mu c_\mu(A)$. A subset A of a space (X, μ) is said to be b_μ -locally closed set if $A = U \cap S$ where U is a μ -open set and S is a μb -closed set. A subset S of X is said to be a μt -set [11] if $i_\mu c_\mu(S) = i_\mu(S)$. A subset S of X is said to be a μB -set [11] if there is a μ -open set U and a μt -set A such that $S = U \cap A$. The family of all μB -sets in a space is denoted by $B(X, \mu)$. The following lemmas will be useful in the sequel.

Lemma 1.1. *If (X, μ) is a quasi-topological space, then the following hold.*

- (a) *If A and B are μ -open sets, then $A \cap B$ is a μ -open set [15, Theorem 2.1].*
- (b) *$i_\mu(A \cap B) = i_\mu(A) \cap i_\mu(B)$ for every subsets A and B of X [9, Theorem 2.2].*
- (c) *$c_\mu(A \cup B) = c_\mu(A) \cup c_\mu(B)$ for every subsets A and B of X [15, Theorem 2.3(b)].*

Lemma 1.2. [11] *Let (X, μ) be a quasi-topological space and $A \subset X$. A is a μ -open set if and only if it is both a $\mu\pi$ -open set and a μB -set.*

Lemma 1.3. [11] *Let (X, μ) be a space and $A \subset X$. A is a μB -set if and only if there exists a μ -open set U such that $H = U \cap c_\sigma(H)$.*

2. μC -sets

Let (X, μ) be a space and $S \subset X$. S is said to be a μt^* -set if $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(S) = i_\mu(S)$. The family of all μt^* -sets of a space (X, μ) is denoted by $t^*(X, \mu)$. The following Theorem 2.1 gives characterizations of μt^* -sets. If $M_\mu = \cup\{M \mid M \in \mu\}$, then M_μ is the largest μ -open set contained in X . Since $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(X) = i_\mu(X)$, X is a μt^* -set.

Theorem 2.1. *Let (X, μ) be a space and $S \subset X$. Then the following are equivalent.*

- (a) *$S \in t^*(X, \mu)$.*
- (b) *S is a $\mu\beta$ -closed set.*
- (c) *$i_\mu(S)$ is a $\mu\pi$ -regular set.*

Proof: (a) \Rightarrow (b). Let $S \in t^*(X, \mu)$. Then $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(S) = i_\mu(S) \subset S$ and so S is a $\mu\beta$ -closed set.

(b) \Rightarrow (c). Suppose that S is a $\mu\beta$ -closed set. Then $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(S) \subset S$ which implies that $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(S) \subset i_\mu(S)$. Clearly, $i_\mu(S) \subset i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(S)$. Therefore, $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(S) = i_\mu(S)$ which implies that $i_\mu(S)$ is a $\mu\pi$ -regular set.

(c) \Rightarrow (a). Since $i_\mu(S)$ is a $\mu\pi$ -regular set, $i_\mu(S) = i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(S)$. Therefore, $S \in t^*(X, \mu)$. \square

The following Theorem 2.2 gives some properties of μt^* -sets.

Theorem 2.2. *Let (X, μ) be a space and $S \subset X$. Then the following hold.*

- (a) *If S is a μt -set, then S is a μt^* -set.*
- (b) *If S is a $\mu\sigma$ -open set, then S is a μt -set if and only if S is a μt^* -set.*
- (c) *$S \in \alpha \cap t^*(X, \mu)$ if and only if S is a $\mu\pi$ -regular set.*

Proof: (a) If S is a μt -set, then $i_\mu(S) = i_\mu c_\mu(S)$ and so $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(S) = i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu c_\mu(S) = i_\mu c_\mu(S) = i_\mu(S)$. Therefore, S is a μt^* -set.

(b) If S is a μt^* -set, then $i_\mu(S) = i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(S)$. Since S is a $\mu\sigma$ -open set, $c_\mu i_\mu(S) = c_\mu(S)$ and so $i_\mu c_\mu(S) = i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(S) = i_\mu(S)$. Therefore, S is a μt -set. Converse follows from (a).

(c) If S is a μt^* -set, then $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(S) = i_\mu(S) \subset S$. Since S is a $\mu\alpha$ -open set, $S = i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(S)$ and so $i_\mu c_\mu(S) = i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(S) = S$. Therefore, S is a $\mu\pi$ -regular set. Conversely, suppose S is a $\mu\pi$ -regular set. Then S is a μ -open set and so S is a $\mu\alpha$ -open set. Since $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(S) = i_\mu c_\mu(S) = S = i_\mu(S)$, it follows that $S \in \alpha \cap t^*(X, \mu)$. □

The following Example 2.3 shows that the converse of 2.2(a) is false. Example 2.4 below shows that the concepts $\mu\alpha$ -open set and μt^* -set are independent. Also, it shows that a μ -open set need not be a μt^* -set. Example 2.5 below shows that the union of two μt^* -sets need not be a μt^* -set.

Example 2.3. *Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $\mu = \{\emptyset, \{d\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, c, d\}\}$. The family of all μ -closed sets are $\{X, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{a\}\}$. Let $A = \{a, b\}$. Then $i_\mu(A) = \emptyset$ and $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(A) = i_\mu c_\mu(\{\emptyset\}) = i_\mu(\{a\}) = \emptyset$. Therefore, $i_\mu(A) = i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(A)$ and so A is a μt^* -set. Now $i_\mu c_\mu(A) = i_\mu(\{a, b, c\}) = \{b, c\} \neq i_\mu(A)$. Therefore, A is not a μt -set.*

Example 2.4. *Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $\mu = \{\emptyset, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, c, d\}\}$. The family of all μ -closed sets are $\{X, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b\}, \{b\}\}$. Let $A = \{c, d\}$. Then $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(A) = i_\mu c_\mu(\{c, d\}) = i_\mu(X) = \{a, c, d\}$. Therefore, A is a $\mu\alpha$ -open set. But $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(A) \neq i_\mu(A)$. Therefore, A is not a μt^* -set. Let $B = \{a, b\}$. Then $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(B) = i_\mu c_\mu(\{\emptyset\}) = i_\mu(\{b\}) = i_\mu(B)$. Therefore, B is a μt^* -set. But B is not a $\mu\alpha$ -open set. This also shows that a μ -open set need not be a μt^* -set.*

Example 2.5. *Consider the space in Example 2.4. If $A = \{c\}$ and $B = \{d\}$, then $A \cup B = \{c, d\}$, $i_\mu(A) = A$, $i_\mu(B) = B$. Here, $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(A) = i_\mu c_\mu(\{c\}) = i_\mu(\{a, b, c\}) = \{c\} = A = i_\mu(A)$. Therefore, A is a μt^* -set. Now $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(B) = i_\mu c_\mu(\{d\}) = i_\mu(\{a, b, d\}) = \{d\} = B = i_\mu(B)$. Therefore, B is a μt^* -set. Also, $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(\{c, d\}) = i_\mu c_\mu(\{c, d\}) = i_\mu(X) = \{a, c, d\} \neq i_\mu(\{c, d\})$. Therefore, $A \cup B$ is not a μt^* -set.*

Let (X, μ) be a space and $S \subset X$. S is said to be a μC -set if there exist a μ -open set U and $A \in t^*(X, \mu)$ such that $S = U \cap A$. The family of all μC -sets in a space (X, μ) is denoted by $C(X, \mu)$. Since X is a μt^* -set, every μ -open set is a μC -set. If (X, μ) is strong, then every μt^* -set is a μC -set. The following Example 2.6 shows that the condition strong on the space (X, μ) cannot be dropped. Example 2.7 below shows that a μC -set need not be a μt^* -set and Example 2.8 below shows that a μC -set need not be a μ -open set.

Example 2.6. Consider the space in Example 2.4 which is not strong. If $A = \{a, b\}$, then $i_\mu(A) = \emptyset$. $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(A) = i_\mu c_\mu(\emptyset) = i_\mu(\{b\}) = \emptyset = i_\mu(A)$. Therefore, $A \in t^*(X, \mu)$. But $\{a, b\} \notin C(X, \mu)$, since there is no open set containing $\{a, b\}$.

Example 2.7. Consider the space in Example 2.4. If $A = \{c, d\}$, then $i_\mu(A) = A$ and $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(A) = i_\mu c_\mu(A) = i_\mu(X) = \{a, c, d\} \neq i_\mu(A)$. Therefore, A is not a μt^* -set. Also, $\{c, d\} = \{c, d\} \cap \{a, c, d\}$ where $\{c, d\}$ is a μ -open set and $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(\{a, c, d\}) = i_\mu c_\mu(\{a, c, d\}) = i_\mu(X) = \{a, c, d\} = i_\mu(\{a, c, d\})$. Therefore, $A = \{c, d\}$ is a μC -set.

Example 2.8. Consider the space in Example 2.4. $\{a\}$ is not a μ -open set. Here $\{a\} = \{a\} \cap \{a, c, d\}$ where $\{a, c, d\}$ is a μ -open set and since $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(\{a\}) = i_\mu c_\mu(\{a\}) = i_\mu(\{b\}) = \emptyset = i_\mu(\{a\})$, $\{a\}$ is a μt^* -set. Therefore, $\{a\}$ is a μC -set.

The proof of the following Lemma 2.9 is similar to Theorem 3.8 of [16].

Lemma 2.9. [16, Theorem 3.8] Let (X, μ) be a quasi-topological space and $A, B \subset X$. If either A or B is a $\mu\sigma$ -open set, then $i_\mu c_\mu(A \cap B) = i_\mu c_\mu(A) \cap i_\mu c_\mu(B)$.

Let (X, μ) be a space. For $\kappa, \nu \in \{\mu, \alpha, \pi, \sigma, b, \beta\}$ and $\kappa \neq \nu$, define $D(\kappa, \nu) = \{B \subset X \mid i_\kappa(B) = i_\nu(B)\}$. The following Theorem 2.10 gives a property of μC -sets. Example 2.11 below shows that the inclusions in Theorem 2.10 are proper.

Theorem 2.10. Let (X, μ) be a quasi-topological space. Then $B(X, \mu) \subset C(X, \mu) \subset D(\mu, \alpha)$.

Proof: Since every μt -set is a μt^* -set, $B(X, \mu) \subset C(X, \mu)$. Let $S \in C(X, \mu)$. Then $S = U \cap A$ where U is a μ -open set and A is a μt^* -set. Now $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(S) = i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(U \cap A) = i_\mu c_\mu(i_\mu(U) \cap i_\mu(A)) = i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(U) \cap i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(A)$, by Lemma 2.9 and so $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(S) = i_\mu c_\mu(U) \cap i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(A) = i_\mu c_\mu(U) \cap i_\mu(A)$. Also, $i_\alpha(S) = S \cap i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(S) = S \cap i_\mu c_\mu(U) \cap i_\mu(A) = U \cap A \cap i_\mu c_\mu(U) \cap i_\mu(A) = U \cap i_\mu(A) = i_\mu(S)$. Therefore, $S \in D(\mu, \alpha)$. \square

Example 2.11. Consider the space in Example 2.3. Now $\{b\} = \{b, c\} \cap \{b\}$ where $\{b, c\}$ is a μ -open set and, since $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(\{b\}) = i_\mu c_\mu(\emptyset) = i_\mu(\{a\}) = \emptyset = i_\mu(\{b\})$, $\{b\}$ is a μt^* -set. Therefore, $\{b\}$ is a μC -set. Again, $\{b\}$ is not a μt -set, since $i_\mu c_\mu(\{b\}) = i_\mu(\{a, b, c\}) = \{b, c\} \neq \emptyset = i_\mu(\{b\})$. If $S = \{a, b\}$, then $i_\mu(S) = \emptyset$ and so $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(\{a, b\}) = i_\mu c_\mu(\emptyset) = i_\mu(\{a\}) = \emptyset$. Also, $i_\alpha(S) = S \cap i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(S) = \emptyset = i_\mu(S)$ and so $S \in D(\mu, \alpha)$. Since there is no open set containing $\{a, b\}$, $\{a, b\}$ is not a μC -set.

The following Theorem 2.12 gives a decomposition of μ -open sets in a quasi-topological space. Examples 2.13 shows that the concepts $\mu\alpha$ -open set and μC -set are independent.

Theorem 2.12. Let (X, μ) be a quasi-topological space and $A \subset X$. Then the following are equivalent.

- (a) S is a μ -open set.
- (b) S is both a $\mu\alpha$ -open set and a μC -set.

Proof: (a) \Rightarrow (b). Suppose that S is a μ -open set. Clearly, S is both a $\mu\alpha$ -open set and a μC -set.

(b) \Rightarrow (a). If S is both a $\mu\alpha$ -open set and a μC -set, then $S \subset i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(S)$ and $S = U \cap A$, U is a μ -open set and A is a μt^* -set. Therefore, $S \subset i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(U \cap A) = i_\mu c_\mu(U \cap i_\mu(A)) = i_\mu c_\mu(U) \cap i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(A) = i_\mu c_\mu(U) \cap i_\mu(A)$. Since $S \subset U$, $S \subset U \cap i_\mu c_\mu(U) \cap i_\mu(A) = U \cap i_\mu(A) = i_\mu(U \cap A) = i_\mu(S)$. Hence S is a μ -open set. \square

Example 2.13. (a) Consider the space in Example 2.3. If $A = \{b, d\}$, then $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(A) = i_\mu c_\mu(\{d\}) = i_\mu(\{a, d\}) = \{d\}$ and so A is not a $\mu\alpha$ -open set. Since A is a μt^* -set and $\{b, d\} = \{b, d\} \cap \{b, c, d\}$, where $\{b, c, d\}$ is a μ -open set, we have $\{b, d\}$ is a μC -set.

(b) Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $\mu = \{\emptyset, \{b, c, d\}, \{b\}\}$. The family of all μ -closed sets are $\{X, \{a\}, \{a, c, d\}\}$. Here, $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu\{b, c\} = \{b, c, d\}$ and so $\{b, c\}$ is a $\mu\alpha$ -open set. Since $\{b, c, d\}$ is the only μ -open set such that $\{b, c\} = \{b, c, d\} \cap \{b, c\}$ and $\{b, c\}$ is not a μt^* -set, $\{b, c\}$ is not a μC -set.

3. b_μ -locally closed sets, $b-t$ -sets and $b-B$ -sets

The following Theorem 3.1 gives a decomposition of μ -open sets and Example 3.2 below shows that the concepts μb -open set and $D(\mu, b)$ -set are independent. Theorem 3.3 below gives a characterization of b_μ -locally closed set.

Theorem 3.1. Let (X, μ) be a space and $A \subset X$. Then the following are equivalent.

- (a) A is a μ -open set.
- (b) A is both a μb -open set and a $D(\mu, b)$ -set.

Proof: (a) \Rightarrow (b). Suppose that A is a μ -open set. Then clearly (b) follows.

(b) \Rightarrow (a). Suppose that A is both a μb -open set and a $D(\mu, b)$ -set. Then $i_\mu(A) = i_b(A) = A$. Therefore, A is a μ -open set. \square

Example 3.2. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $\mu = \{\emptyset, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, c, d\}\}$. The family of all μ -closed sets are $\{X, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a\}\}$. Here, $c_\mu i_\mu\{a, b, d\} = \{a, b, d\}$ and $i_\mu c_\mu\{a, b, d\} = \{d\}$. $i_\mu c_\mu\{a, b, d\} \cup c_\mu i_\mu\{a, b, d\} = \{a, b, d\}$. Therefore, $\{a, b, d\}$ is a μb -open set. Since $i_\mu(\{a, b, d\}) = \{d\}$, $\{a, b, d\} \notin D(\mu, b)$. Thus $\{a, b, d\}$ is a μb -open set but $\{a, b, d\} \notin D(\mu, b)$.

(b) If $A = \{a\}$, then A is not a μb -open set and so $i_b(A) = \emptyset = i_\mu(A)$ which implies that $A \in D(\mu, b)$.

Theorem 3.3. Let (X, μ) be a space and $H \subset X$. Then H is a b_μ -locally closed set if and only if there exists a μ -open set U such that $H = U \cap c_b(H)$.

Proof: Let H be a b_μ -locally closed set. Then $H = U \cap F$ where U is a μ -open set and F is a μb -closed set. Since $H \subset U$ and $H \subset F$, we have $H \subset c_b(H) \subset c_b(F) = F$ and $H \subset U \cap c_b(H) \subset U \cap c_b(F) = U \cap F = H$. Hence $H = U \cap c_b(H)$. Conversely, suppose $H = U \cap c_b(H)$ for some μ -open set U . Since $c_b(H)$ is a μb -closed set, H is a b_μ -locally closed set. \square

Theorem 3.4. *Let (X, μ) be a space and $A \subset X$. Then the following hold.*

- (a) A is a b_μ -locally closed set.
- (b) $c_b(A) - A$ is a μb -closed set.
- (c) $A \cup (X - c_b(A))$ is a μb -open set.
- (d) $A \subset i_b(A \cup (X - c_b(A)))$.

Proof: (a) \Rightarrow (b). Since A is a b_μ -locally closed set, by Theorem 3.3, there exists a μ -open set U such that $A = U \cap c_b(A)$. Now $c_b(A) - A = c_b(A) - (U \cap c_b(A)) = c_b(A) \cap (X - (U \cap c_b(A))) = c_b(A) \cap ((X - U) \cup (X - c_b(A))) = c_b(A) \cap (X - U)$ which is a μb -closed set.

(b) \Rightarrow (c). Since $c_b(A) - A$ is μb -closed, $X - (c_b(A) - A)$ is a μb -open set. Now $X - (c_b(A) - A) = X - ((c_b(A) \cap (X - A))) = A \cup (X - c_b(A))$. Therefore, $A \cup (X - c_b(A))$ is a μb -open set.

(c) \Rightarrow (d). Since $A \subset A \cup (X - c_b(A))$, $A \subset i_b(A \cup (X - c_b(A)))$. □

Let (X, μ) be a space. Subsets A and B of X are said to be μ -separated [6] if $A \cap c_\mu(B) = \emptyset$ and $B \cap c_\mu(A) = \emptyset$. We know that $b(\mu)$ is a generalized topology. Since X is a $\mu\sigma$ -open set, it follows that $X \in b(\mu)$ and so $(X, b(\mu))$ is a strong space. In addition, if $b(\mu)$ is closed under finite intersection, then $(X, b(\mu))$ is a topological space. The following Theorem uses this fact and discuss about the union of two b_μ -locally closed sets.

Theorem 3.5. *Let (X, μ) be a quasi-topological space such that $(X, b(\mu))$ be a topological space and A and B be b_μ -locally closed sets. If A and B are μ -separated sets, then $A \cup B$ is a b_μ -locally closed set.*

Proof: Since A and B are b_μ -locally closed sets, $A = G \cap c_b(A)$ and $B = H \cap c_b(B)$ where G and H are μ -open sets in X . Put $U = G \cap (X - c_\mu(B))$ and $V = H \cap (X - c_\mu(A))$. Then $U \cap c_b(A) = (G \cap (X - c_\mu(B))) \cap c_b(A) = (G \cap c_b(A)) \cap (X - c_\mu(B)) = A \cap (X - c_\mu(B)) = A$, since $A \subset X - c_\mu(B)$. Moreover, $U \cap c_b(B) \subset U \cap c_\mu(B) = \emptyset$. Similarly, we can prove that $V \cap c_b(B) = B$ and $V \cap c_b(A) = \emptyset$. Since U and V are μ -open sets, $(U \cup V) \cap c_b(A \cup B) = (U \cup V) \cap (c_b(A) \cup c_b(B)) = ((U \cap c_b(A)) \cup (V \cap c_b(A))) \cup ((V \cap c_b(B)) \cup (U \cap c_b(B))) = A \cup B$. Therefore, $A \cup B$ is a b_μ -locally closed set. □

The following Lemma 3.6 is essential to prove Theorem 3.7 below which is in turn used to prove Theorem 3.8 below which gives a decomposition of μ -open sets. Example 3.9 below shows that the notions $\mu\alpha$ -open set and b_μ -locally closed set are independent.

Lemma 3.6. *Let (X, μ) be a quasi-topological space. Then the following hold.*

- (a) $c_\pi(V) = c_\mu(V)$ for every $\mu\sigma$ -open set V .
- (b) $i_\pi(F) = i_\mu(F)$ for every $\mu\sigma$ -closed set F .

Proof: (a) By Theorem 2.5(b) of [15], $c_\pi(V) = V \cup c_\mu i_\mu(V) = c_\mu i_\mu(V)$, since $V \in \sigma(\mu)$. Therefore, $c_\pi(V) = c_\mu(V)$.

(b) The proof follows from (a). □

Theorem 3.7. *Let (X, μ) be a quasi-topological space and $A \subset X$. If A is both a b_μ -locally closed set and a $\mu\sigma$ -open set, then A is a μB -set.*

Proof: Let A be both a b_μ -locally closed set and a σ -open set. Then by Theorem 3.3, there exists an μ -open set U such that $A = U \cap c_b(A)$ and so by Lemma 3.6, $A = U \cap (c_\sigma(A) \cap c_\pi(A)) = U \cap (c_\sigma(A) \cap c_\mu(A)) = U \cap c_\sigma(A)$. By Lemma 1.3, A is a μB -set. \square

Theorem 3.8. *Let (X, μ) be a quasi-topological space. Then the following are equivalent.*

- (a) A is a μ -open set.
- (b) A is both a $\mu\alpha$ -open set and a b_μ -locally closed set.

Proof: (a) \Rightarrow (b). Suppose that A is a μ -open set. Since $\mu \subset \alpha(\mu)$, A is a $\mu\alpha$ -open set. Since A is a μ -open set and $A = A \cap X$, where X is a μb -closed set, A is a b_μ -locally closed set.

(b) \Rightarrow (a). Suppose that A is both a $\mu\alpha$ -open set and a b_μ -locally closed set. Since $\alpha(\mu) \subset \sigma(\mu)$, A is a $\mu\sigma$ -open set. Since A is a b_μ -locally closed set, A is a μB -set by Theorem 3.7. Since $\alpha(\mu) \subset \pi(\mu)$, A is a $\mu\pi$ -open set. Then by Lemma 1.2, A is a μ -open set. \square

Example 3.9. (a) *Consider the space in Example 3.2. Here, $\{a, d\}$ is a b_μ -locally closed set, since $\{a, d\} = \{a, c, d\} \cap \{a, b, d\}$ and $\{a, d\}$ is not a $\mu\alpha$ -open set since $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu \{a, d\} = \{d\}$. Thus, $\{a, d\}$ is a b_μ -locally closed set but not a $\mu\alpha$ -open set.*
 (b) *Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $\mu = \{\emptyset, \{b, c, d\}, \{b\}\}$. The family of all μ -closed sets are $\{X, \{a\}, \{a, c, d\}\}$. Here, $i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu \{b, c\} = \{b, c, d\}$ and so $\{b, c\}$ is a $\mu\alpha$ -open set. Since $\{b, c, d\}$ is the only μ -open set such that $\{b, c\} = \{b, c, d\} \cap \{b, c\}$ and $\{b, c\}$ is not a μb -closed set, $\{b, c\}$ is not a b_μ -locally closed set.*

A subset A of a space (X, μ) is said to be a $b-t$ -set [3] if $i_\mu(A) = i_\mu(c_b(A))$. A is said to be a $b-B$ -set [3] if $A = U \cap V$, where U is a μ -open set and V is a $b-t$ -set. A is said to be a $b-\sigma$ -open [3](resp., $b-\pi$ -open [3]) set if $A \subset c_\mu(i_b(A))$ (resp., $A \subset i_\mu(c_b(A))$). The following Remark 3.10, shows that the above notions are already defined notions in topological spaces.

Remark 3.10. (a) *By Theorem 3.8 (a) and (b) of [15], $i_\mu c_b(A) = c_b i_\mu(A) = i_\mu c_\mu i_\mu(A)$ and $c_\mu i_b(A) = i_b c_\mu(A) = c_\mu i_\mu c_\mu(A)$ for every subset A of X in a quasi-topological space. If (X, μ) is a quasi-topological space, then the family of all $b-t$ -sets (resp., $b-B$ -sets, b -semiopen sets, b -preopen sets) coincides with the family of all μt^* -sets (resp., μC -sets, $\mu\beta$ -open sets, $\mu\alpha$ -open sets).*

(b) *If (X, τ) is a topological space, then the family of all $b-t$ -sets (resp., $b-B$ -sets, b -semiopen sets, b -preopen sets) coincides with the family of all α^* -sets (resp., C -sets, β -open sets, α -open sets). Hence Theorem 3.11(a) below is nothing but Proposition 3.1 of [10]. Theorem 3.11(c) is stated in Remark 3.2 of [10].*

Theorem 3.11. [3, Proposition 3.1] Let (X, τ) be a topological space and $A, B \subset X$. Then the following hold. .

- (a) A is a $b-t$ -set if and only if it is a b -semiclosed set.
- (b) If A is a b -closed set, then it is a $b-t$ -set.
- (c) If A and B are $b-t$ -sets, then $A \cap B$ is a $b-t$ -set.

The following Theorem 3.12 shows that the above Theorem 3.11 is valid, if topology is replaced by generalized topology.

Theorem 3.12. Let (X, μ) be a space and $A, B \subset X$. Then the following hold.

- (a) A is a $b-t$ -set if and only if it is a $b-\sigma$ -closed set.
- (b) If A is a μb -closed set, then it is a $b-t$ -set.

Proof: (a) Suppose that A is a $b-t$ -set. Then $i_\mu(A) = i_\mu c_b(A)$ and $i_\mu c_b(A) \subset A$. Therefore, A is a $b-\sigma$ -closed set. Conversely, if A is a $b-\sigma$ -closed set then $i_\mu c_b(A) \subset A$ and $i_\mu c_b(A) \subset i_\mu(A)$. Since $A \subset c_b(A)$, $i_\mu(A) \subset i_\mu c_b(A)$. Hence $i_\mu(A) = i_\mu c_b(A)$. Therefore, A is a $b-t$ -set.

(b) Let A be a μb -closed set. Then A is a $b-\sigma$ -closed set. Therefore, A is a $b-t$ -set. \square

By Remark 3.10(b), (a) of the following Theorem 3.13 is nothing but Proposition 3.2(a) of [10] and (b) is nothing but Proposition 3.4 of [10]. Moreover, this results hold for any generalized topological space as stated in Theorem 3.14 without proof.

Theorem 3.13. [3, Proposition 3.2] Let (X, τ) be a topological space and $A \subset X$. Then the following hold.

- (a) A is a t -set then it is a $b-t$ -set.
- (b) If A is a B -set, then it is a $b-B$ -set.

Theorem 3.14. Let (X, μ) be a space and $A \subset X$. Then the following hold.

- (a) If A is a μt -set, then it is a $b-t$ -set.
- (b) If A is a μB -set then it is a $b-B$ -set.

By Remark 3.10(b), the following Theorem 3.15 is nothing but Proposition 3.5 of [10]. The generalization of this theorem for quasi-topological spaces is established in Theorem 2.12 above.

Theorem 3.15. [3, Theorem 3.1] Let (X, τ) be a topological space and $A \subset X$. Then the following are equivalent.

- (a) A is a open set.
- (b) A is b -preopen and a $b-B$ -set

By Remark 3.10(b), the following Theorem 3.16 is nothing but Proposition 3.2(c) of [10]. Moreover, this results hold for any generalized topological space as stated in Theorem 3.17 without proof.

Theorem 3.16. [3, Proposition 3.3] Let (X, τ) be a topological space and $A \subset X$. Then the following are equivalent.

- (a) A is regular open.
- (b) A is b -preopen and a $b-t$ -set.

Theorem 3.17. *Let (X, μ) be a space and $A \subset X$. Then the following are equivalent.*

- (a) A is a $\mu\pi$ -regular set.
 (b) A is both a $b-\pi$ -open set and a $b-t$ -set.

4. Decomposition of (μ, μ') -continuity

Let (X, μ) and (Y, μ') be two spaces. A mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be (μ, μ') -continuous [5] (resp. $(\mu\alpha, \mu')$ -continuous, $(\mu B, \mu')$ -continuous, $(\mu C, \mu')$ -continuous, $(\mu b, \mu')$ -continuous, $(D(\mu, b), \mu')$ -continuous, $(\mu bLC, \mu')$ -continuous) if for each μ' -open set V , $f^{-1}(V)$ is a μ -open set (resp. $\mu\alpha$ -open set, μB -set, μC -set, μb -open set, $D(\mu, b)$ -set, b_μ -locally closed set) in X . The following theorems give decompositions of (μ, μ') -continuity.

Theorem 4.1. *Let (X, μ) and (Y, μ') be two spaces where (X, μ) is a quasi-topological space and $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. Then the following are equivalent.*

- (a) f is (μ, μ') -continuous.
 (b) f is $(\mu\alpha, \mu')$ -continuous and $(\mu C, \mu')$ -continuous.

Proof: The proof follows from Theorem 2.12. □

Theorem 4.2. *Let (X, μ) and (Y, μ') be two spaces and $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. Then the following are equivalent.*

- (a) f is (μ, μ') -continuous.
 (b) f is $(\mu b, \mu')$ -continuous and $(D(\mu, b), \mu')$ -continuous.

Proof: The proof follows from Theorem 3.1. □

Theorem 4.3. *Let (X, μ) and (Y, μ') be two spaces where (X, μ) is a quasi-topological space and $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. Then the following are equivalent.*

- (a) f is (μ, μ') -continuous.
 (b) f is $(\mu\alpha, \mu')$ -continuous and $(\mu bLC, \mu')$ -continuous.

Proof: The proof follows from Theorem 3.8. □

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