



## Note on generalized topological spaces with hereditary classes

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ABSTRACT: In this paper, we extend the study of  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}$  operator introduced and studied in [5] and rectify the errors in the paper. Moreover, characterizations of  $\mu$ -codense and strongly  $\mu$ -codense hereditary classes in generalized topological spaces are also given.

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### 1. Introduction

Let  $X$  be a nonempty set. A family  $\mu$  of subsets of  $X$  is called a *generalized topology* (GT) [1] if  $\emptyset \in \mu$  and the arbitrary union of members of  $\mu$  is again in  $\mu$ . The largest  $\mu$ -open set contained in a subset  $A$  of  $X$  is denoted by  $i_{\mu}(A)$  [1] and is called the  $\mu$ -interior of  $A$ . The smallest  $\mu$ -closed set containing  $A$  is called the  $\mu$ -closure of  $A$  and is denoted by  $c_{\mu}(A)$  [1]. Throughout the paper, by a space we always mean a generalized space  $(X, \mu)$ .  $\sigma(\mu) = \{A \subset X \mid A \subset c_{\mu}i_{\mu}(A)\}$  is the family of all  $\mu$ -semiopen sets [2]. A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is said to be  $\sigma(\mu)$ -closed if its complement is  $\mu$ -semiopen. A GT  $\mu$  is said to be a *quasi-topology* [4] on  $X$  if  $M, N \in \mu$  implies  $M \cap N \in \mu$ .

A *hereditary class*  $\mathcal{H}$  of  $X$  is a nonempty collection of subset of  $X$  such that  $A \subset B, B \in \mathcal{H}$  implies  $A \in \mathcal{H}$  [3]. A hereditary class  $\mathcal{H}$  of  $X$  is an *ideal* [6] if  $A \cup B \in \mathcal{H}$  whenever  $A \in \mathcal{H}$  and  $B \in \mathcal{H}$ . With respect to the generalized topology  $\mu$  of all  $\mu$ -open sets and a hereditary class  $\mathcal{H}$ , for each subset  $A$  of  $X$ , a subset  $A^*(\mathcal{H})$  or simply  $A^*$  of  $X$  is defined by  $A^* = \{x \in X \mid M \cap A \notin \mathcal{H} \text{ for every } M \in \mu \text{ containing } x\}$  [3].  $\mathcal{H}$  is said to be  $\mu$ -codense if  $\mu \cap \mathcal{H} = \{\emptyset\}$  [3] and is said to be *strongly  $\mu$ -codense* [3] if  $M, N \in \mu$  and  $M \cap N \in \mathcal{H}$ , then  $M \cap N = \emptyset$ . Every strongly  $\mu$ -codense hereditary class is  $\mu$ -codense but the converse is not true [3]. A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is said to be  $\mu$ -rare [3] (resp.  $\mu r$ -open) if  $i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A) = \emptyset$  (resp.  $A = i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A)$ ). If  $\mathcal{H}_r$  is the collection of all  $\mu$ -rare sets in  $(X, \mu)$ , then  $\mathcal{H}_r$  is a hereditary class and for this hereditary class,  $A^* \subset c_{\mu}i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A)$  for every subset  $A$  of  $X$  [3, Proposition 2.11]. If  $c^*(A) = A \cup A^*$  for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ , with respect to  $\mu$  and a hereditary class  $\mathcal{H}$  of subsets of  $X$ , then  $c^* \in \Gamma$  and  $\mu^* = \{A \subset X \mid c^*(X - A) = X - A\}$  is a generalized topology finer than  $\mu$  [3].

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The following lemmas will be useful in the sequel and we use some of the results without mentioning it, when the context is clear.

**Lemma 1.1.** [3] *Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a space with a hereditary class  $\mathcal{H}$ . If  $A$  and  $B$  are any two subsets of  $X$ , then the following hold.*

- (a) *If  $A \in \mathcal{H}$ , then  $A^* = X - \mathcal{M}_\mu$  where  $\mathcal{M}_\mu = \bigcup\{M \mid M \in \mu\}$ .*
- (b) *If  $A \subset A^*$ , then  $c_\mu(A) = A^* = c^*(A) = c^*(A^*)$ .*
- (c)  *$\mathcal{H}$  is  $\mu$ -codense if and only if  $X = X^*$ .*
- (d)  *$A^*$  is  $\mu$ -closed for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ .*
- (e) *If  $F$  is  $\mu$ -closed, then  $F^* \subset F$ .*

**Lemma 1.2.** [7, Theorem 2.4] *If  $(X, \mu)$  is a quasi-topological space and  $\mathcal{H}$  is a hereditary class of subsets of  $X$ , then the following statements are equivalent.*

- (a)  *$\mathcal{H}$  is  $\mu$ -codense.*
- (b)  *$\mathcal{H}$  is strongly  $\mu$ -codense.*

**Lemma 1.3.** [7, Theorem 2.5] *If  $(X, \mu)$  is a space and  $\mathcal{H}$  is a hereditary class of subsets of  $X$ , then the following statements are equivalent.*

- (a)  *$\mathcal{H}$  is strongly  $\mu$ -codense.*
- (b)  *$M \subset M^*$  for every  $M \in \mu$ .*
- (c)  *$S \subset S^*$  for every  $S \in \sigma(\mu)$ .*
- (d)  *$c_\mu(M) = M^*$  for every  $M \in \mu$ .*
- (e)  *$c_\mu(S) = S^*$  for every  $S \in \sigma(\mu)$ .*

## 2. Operator $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}$

If  $\mathcal{H}$  is a hereditary class on a space  $(X, \mu)$ , an operator  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}} : \wp(X) \rightarrow \wp(X)$  is defined as follows: for every  $A \in \wp(X)$ ,  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = \{x \in X \mid \text{there exists a } M \in \mu \text{ such that } x \in M \text{ and } M - A \in \mathcal{H}\}$ . The following Theorem 2.1 gives a characterization of the function  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}$  which is  $\gamma_\mu^*$  in [5]. Throughout the paper, we use the notation  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a space with a hereditary class  $\mathcal{H}$ . Then  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = X - (X - A)^*$ .*

**Proof:** Suppose  $x \in X - (X - A)^*$ . Then  $x \notin (X - A)^*$  and so there exists  $M \in \mu$  containing  $x$  such that  $M \cap (X - A) \in \mathcal{H}$  which implies that  $M - A \in \mathcal{H}$ . Therefore,  $X - (X - A)^* \subset \{x \in X \mid \text{there exists } M \in \mu(x) \text{ such that } M - A \in \mathcal{H}\}$ . Conversely, assume that  $y \in \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A)$ . Then there exists  $M \in \mu$  containing  $x$  such that  $M - A \in \mathcal{H}$ . Since  $M - A \in \mathcal{H}$ ,  $M \cap (X - A) \in \mathcal{H}$  which implies that  $y \notin (X - A)^*$ . Therefore,  $y \in X - (X - A)^*$ . Thus,  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = X - (X - A)^*$ .  $\square$

The following Theorem 2.3 gives the properties of the operator  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}$ , where (a) confirms that the range of  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}$  is a subfamily of  $\mu$  and (e) is a generalization of Theorem 3.3 of [5]. In Example 3.5 of [5], it is established that the other direction of Theorem 2.3(f) is not true, but  $\mathcal{H}$  stated in the above example is not a hereditary class and  $\mu$  is not even a generalized topology. The following Example 2.2 shows that the inequality will not be an equality in Theorem 2.3(f).

**Example 2.2.** Consider the generalized topological space  $(X, \mu)$  with a hereditary class  $\mathcal{H}$  where  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  $\mu = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, X\}$  and  $\mathcal{H} = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}\}$ . If  $A = \{a, d\}$ , then  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = X - \{b, c\}^* = X - \{c, d\} = \{a, b\}$  and  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A)) = \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(\{a, b\}) = X - \{c, d\}^* = X - \{d\} = \{a, b, c\}$  and so  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A)) \neq \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A)$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a space with a hereditary class  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $A, B \subset X$ . Then the following hold.

- (a)  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A)$  is  $\mu$ -open [5, Theorem 3.1(ii)].
- (b)  $A^* = X - \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(X - A)$  [5, Theorem 3.1(iii)].
- (c) If  $A \subset B$ , then  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) \subset \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(B)$  [5, Theorem 3.1(i)].
- (d)  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A \cap B) \subset \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) \cap \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(B)$ .
- (e) If  $U \in \mu^*$ , then  $U \subset \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(U)$ .
- (f)  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) \subset \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A))$  [5, Theorem 3.4(i)].
- (g)  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A))$  if and only if  $(X - A)^* = ((X - A)^*)^*$ .
- (h)  $A \cap \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = i_{\mu}^*(A)$ .
- (i) If  $H \in \mathcal{H}$ , then  $(A \cup H)^* = A^*$  and hence  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A - H) = \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A)$ .
- (j)  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(\emptyset) = \mathcal{M}_{\mu} - X^*$ .

**Proof:** (d) The proof follows from (c).

(e) If  $U \in \mu^*$ , then  $X - U$  is  $\mu^*$ -closed. Therefore,  $(X - U)^* \subset X - U$  which implies that  $X - (X - U) \subset X - (X - U)^*$  and so  $U \subset \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(U)$ .

(g) Suppose that  $(X - A)^* = ((X - A)^*)^*$ . Then  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = X - (X - A)^*$  implies that  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A)) = X - (X - \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A))^* = X - (X - (X - (X - A)^*))^* = X - ((X - A)^*)^* = X - (X - A)^* = \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A)$ . Hence  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A))$ . Conversely,  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A))$  implies that  $X - (X - A)^* = X - (X - \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A))^* = X - (X - (X - (X - A)^*))^* = X - ((X - A)^*)^*$ . Therefore,  $(X - A)^* = ((X - A)^*)^*$ .

(h) Let  $x \in A \cap \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A)$ . Then  $x \in A$  and  $x \in \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A)$ . Since  $x \in \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A)$ , there exists  $M_x \in \mu$  containing  $x$  such that  $M_x - A \in \mathcal{H}$ . Therefore,  $x \in M_x - (M_x - A) \subset A$ . Since  $\beta$  is a basis for  $\mu^*$  and  $M_x - (M_x - A) \in \beta$ ,  $x \in i_{\mu}^*(A)$ , where  $i_{\mu}^*$  is the interior operator in  $(X, \mu^*)$ . Conversely, assume that  $x \in i_{\mu}^*(A)$ . Then there exists a  $\mu$ -open set  $M_x$  containing  $x$  and  $H \in \mathcal{H}$  such that  $x \in M_x - H \subset A$ . Now  $M_x - H \subset A$  implies that  $M_x - A \subset H$  which in turn implies that  $M_x - A \in \mathcal{H}$  and so  $x \in \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A)$ . Therefore,  $x \in A \cap \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A)$ . Hence  $A \cap \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = i_{\mu}^*(A)$ .

(i) Suppose that  $H \in \mathcal{H}$ . Then by Lemma 1.1(a),  $(A \cup H)^* = A^* \cup H^* = A^* \cup (X - \mathcal{M}_{\mu}) = A^*$ , since  $X - \mathcal{M}_{\mu}$  is the smallest  $\mu$ -closed set contained in every  $\mu$ -closed set. Again,  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A - H) = X - (X - (A - H))^* = X - ((X - A) \cup H)^* = X - (X - A)^* = \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A)$ .

(j) By Theorem 2.1,  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(\emptyset) = X - X^* = (\mathcal{M}_{\mu} \cup (X - \mathcal{M}_{\mu})) - X^* = (\mathcal{M}_{\mu} - X^*) \cup ((X - \mathcal{M}_{\mu}) - X^*) = \mathcal{M}_{\mu} - X^*$ , since  $X^*$  is  $\mu$ -closed by Lemma 1.1(d) and  $X - \mathcal{M}_{\mu}$  is the smallest  $\mu$ -closed set contained in every  $\mu$ -closed set.  $\square$

Theorem 2.4 shows that  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}$  preserves finite intersection under some additional conditions. The proof also follows from Theorem 3.4 of [8] using the fact that  $(A \cup B)^* = A^* \cup B^*$ .

**Theorem 2.4.** *Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a quasi-topological space and  $\mathcal{H}$  be an ideal on  $X$ . If  $A, B \subset X$ , then  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A \cap B) = \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) \cap \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(B)$ .*

**Proof:** Let  $x \in \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) \cap \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(B)$ . Then there exist  $\mu$ -open sets  $U$  and  $V$  containing  $x$  such that  $U - A \in \mathcal{H}$  and  $V - B \in \mathcal{H}$ . If  $G = U \cap V$ , then  $G$  is a  $\mu$ -open set containing  $x$  such that  $G - A \in \mathcal{H}$  and  $G - B \in \mathcal{H}$ . Now  $G - (A \cap B) = (G - A) \cup (G - B) \in \mathcal{H}$  and so  $x \in \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A \cap B)$ . Hence  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A \cap B) = \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) \cap \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(B)$ .  $\square$

Example 2.5 below shows that the conditions *quasi-topology* on  $X$  and *ideal* on  $\mathcal{H}$  cannot be dropped in Theorem 2.4.

**Example 2.5.** (a) *Consider the space  $(X, \mu)$  where  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\mu = \{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$  and  $\mathcal{H} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$ . Clearly,  $\mu$  is not a quasi-topology on  $X$ . If  $A = \{b\}$  and  $B = \{a, c\}$ , then  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = \{a, b\}$  and  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(B) = \{a, c\}$  which implies  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) \cap \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(B) = \{a\}$ . But  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A \cap B) = \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(\emptyset) = \emptyset \neq \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) \cap \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(B)$ .*  
 (b) *Consider the space  $(X, \mu)$  with a hereditary class  $\mathcal{H}$  where  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  $\mu = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{d\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, X\}$  and  $\mathcal{H} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{c\}\}$ . Here  $\mathcal{H}$  is not an ideal. If  $A = \{b, c, d\}$  and  $B = \{a, b\}$ , then  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = X$  and  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(B) = \{a, c\}$  and so  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) \cap \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(B) = \{a, c\}$ . Also,  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A \cap B) = \{a\} \neq \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) \cap \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(B)$ .*

**Theorem 2.6.** [8, Theorem 3.3] *Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a space with a hereditary class  $\mathcal{H}$ . If  $\sigma = \{A \subset X \mid A \subset \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A)\}$ , then  $\sigma$  is a generalized topology on  $X$  and  $\sigma = \mu^*$ .*

**Proof:** Let  $A \in \sigma$ . Then  $A \subset \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = X - (X - A)^*$  which implies that  $(X - A)^* \subset X - A$ . Therefore,  $X - A$  is  $\mu^*$ -closed and so  $A$  is  $\mu^*$ -open. Therefore,  $\sigma \subset \mu^*$ . Conversely,  $A \in \mu^*$  and  $x \in A$ . Then there exists  $M \in \mu$  and  $H \in \mathcal{H}$  such that  $x \in M - H \subset A$ . Now  $M - H \subset A$  implies that  $M - A \subset H$  which in turn implies that  $M - A \in \mathcal{H}$  and so  $x \in \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A)$ . Therefore,  $\mu^* \subset \sigma$ . Hence  $\sigma = \mu^*$ . Since  $\mu^*$  is a generalized topology [3], it follows that  $\sigma$  is a generalized topology.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.7.** *Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a space with a hereditary class  $\mathcal{H}$ . Then the following hold.*

- (a)  $\mathcal{M}_{\mu} = \mathcal{M}_{\mu^*}$  [8, Corollary 3.1].
- (b) If  $B \subset X - \mathcal{M}_{\mu}$ , then  $i_{\mu}^*(B) = \emptyset$ .

**Theorem 2.8.** *Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a space with a hereditary class  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $A \subset X$ . Then the following properties hold.*

- (a)  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = \bigcup \{U \in \mu \mid U - A \in \mathcal{H}\}$  [5, Theorem 3.2].
- (b)  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = \bigcup \{U \in \mu \mid (U - A) \cup (A - U) \in \mathcal{H}\}$ , if  $A$  is  $\mu$ -open.

**Proof:** (a) follows immediately from the definition of  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}$ .  
 (b) Denote  $\bigcup \{U \in \mu \mid (U - A) \cup (A - U) \in \mathcal{H}\}$  by  $\mathcal{A}$ . Since  $\mathcal{H}$  is hereditary,  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) \supset \mathcal{A}$  for every  $A \subset X$ . Assume  $A \in \mu$  and  $x \in \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A)$ . Then there exists  $M \in \mu$  such that  $x \in M$  and  $M - A \in \mathcal{H}$ . If  $U = M \cup A$ , then  $U \in \mu$  and  $x \in U$ . Now  $(U - A) \cup (A - U) = (M - A) \cup \emptyset = M - A$  implies  $(U - A) \cup (A - U) \in \mathcal{H}$  and so  $x \in \mathcal{A}$ . Therefore,  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) \subset \mathcal{A}$ . Hence  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = \mathcal{A}$ .  $\square$

The following Theorem 2.9 characterizes  $\mu$ -codense hereditary classes in quasi-topological spaces.

**Theorem 2.9.** *Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a quasi-topological space with a hereditary class  $\mathcal{H}$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent.*

- (a)  $\mathcal{H}$  is  $\mu$ -codense.
- (b)  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(\emptyset) = \emptyset$ .
- (c) If  $A \subset X$  is  $\mu$ -closed, then  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) - A = \emptyset$ .
- (d) If  $A \subset X$ , then  $i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A) = \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A))$ .
- (e) If  $A$  is  $\mu r$ -open, then  $A = \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A)$ .
- (f) If  $U \in \mu$ , then  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(U) \subset i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(U) \subset U^*$ .

**Proof:** (a) $\Rightarrow$ (b).  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(\emptyset) = \cup\{U \in \mu \mid U - \emptyset = U \in \mathcal{H}\} = \emptyset$ , since  $\mu \cap \mathcal{H} = \{\emptyset\}$ .  
(b) $\Rightarrow$ (c). Suppose  $A \subset X$  is  $\mu$ -closed. If  $x \in \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) - A$ , then there exists a  $U_x \in \mu$  containing  $x$  such that  $U_x - A \in \mathcal{H}$ . But  $U_x - A \in \mu$  implies that  $U_x - A \in \{U \mid U \in \mathcal{H}\}$  and so  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(\emptyset) \neq \emptyset$ , a contradiction. Therefore,  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) - A = \emptyset$ .  
(c) $\Rightarrow$ (d). Since  $i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A) \in \mu$  for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ , by Theorem 2.3(e),  $i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A) \subset \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A))$ . By (c),  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(c_{\mu}(A)) \subset c_{\mu}(A)$  and so  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(c_{\mu}(A)) = i_{\mu}(\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(c_{\mu}(A))) \subset i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A)$ . By Theorem 2.3(b),  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A)) \subset \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(c_{\mu}(A)) \subset i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A)$  and so  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A)) = i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A)$ .  
(d) $\Rightarrow$ (e). Let  $A$  be a  $\mu r$ -open subset of  $X$ . Then  $A = i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A)$  and so  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A)) = i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A) = A$ .  
(e) $\Rightarrow$ (a). Since  $\emptyset$  is  $\mu r$ -open,  $\emptyset = \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(\emptyset) = \cup\{U \in \mu \mid U \in \mathcal{H}\}$ , by Theorem 2.8(a). Hence  $\mu \cap \mathcal{H} = \{\emptyset\}$ .  
(c) $\Rightarrow$ (f). If  $U \in \mu$ , then  $X - U$  is  $\mu$ -closed and so  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(X - U) = X - U$  which implies that  $X - (X - (X - U))^* = X - U$  so that  $X - U^* = X - U$ . Hence  $U^* = U$ . Also,  $c_{\mu}(U)$  is  $\mu$ -closed implies that  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(c_{\mu}(U)) - c_{\mu}(U) = \emptyset$  which implies that  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(c_{\mu}(U)) \subset c_{\mu}(U)$ . Therefore,  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(U) = i_{\mu}(\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(U)) \subset i_{\mu}(\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(c_{\mu}(U))) \subset i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(U) \subset c_{\mu}(U) = U^*$ , by Lemma 1.1(b). Hence  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(U) \subset i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(U) \subset U^*$ .  
(f) $\Rightarrow$ (a). Suppose  $U \in \mu$ . Then  $U \subset \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(U) \subset i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(U) \subset U^*$  which implies that  $\mathcal{H}$  is strongly  $\mu$ -codense, by Lemma 1.3 and so  $\mathcal{H}$  is  $\mu$ -codense.  $\square$

The following Example 2.10 shows that the condition *quasi-topology* on  $\mu$  cannot be dropped in Theorem 2.9.

**Example 2.10.** *Consider the space  $(X, \mu)$  with hereditary class  $\mathcal{H}$  as in Example 2.2. Clearly,  $\mu$  is not a quasi-topology on  $X$  and  $\mathcal{H}$  is  $\mu$ -codense. If  $A = \{a, d\}$ , then  $A$  is  $\mu$ -closed and  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) - A = \{a, b\} - \{a, d\} = \{b\} \neq \emptyset$ .*

A hereditary class  $\mathcal{H}$  is said to be  $\star$ -strongly  $\mu$ -codense [5] if for  $M, N \in \mu$ ,  $(M \cap N) \cap A \in \mathcal{H}$  and  $(M \cap N) - A \in \mathcal{H}$ , then  $M \cap N = \emptyset$ . Nothing is mentioned about the set  $A$ . In the proof of Lemma 3.9(i) of [5],  $A = X$ , in the proof of Lemma 3.9(ii) of [5],  $A = \emptyset$  and in Example 3.10 of [5],  $A$  is a nonempty proper subset of  $X$ . Hence the set  $A$  in the definition of  $\star$ -strongly  $\mu$ -codense hereditary class is any subset  $A$  of  $X$ . Also, in [5], it is proved that every  $\star$ -strongly  $\mu$ -codense hereditary class is strongly  $\mu$ -codense but the converse is not true [5], Example

3.10]. However, the converse holds if  $\mathcal{H}$  is an ideal as shown by Theorem 2.12 below. Corollary 2.14 follows from Theorem 2.12 and Theorem 3.12 of [5]. If  $\mu = \{\emptyset\}$ , the trivial generalized topology, in a space  $(X, \mu)$ , then every hereditary class  $\mathcal{H}$  is a  $\star$ -strongly  $\mu$ -codense hereditary class. In this context, we have the following Theorem 2.11.

**Theorem 2.11.** *Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a space where  $\mu = \{\emptyset\}$ . Then the following hold.*

- (a) *Every hereditary class is a  $\star$ -strongly  $\mu$ -codense hereditary class.*
- (b)  *$A^\star = X$  for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ .*
- (c)  *$\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = \emptyset$  for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ .*

**Remark 2.1.** If  $\mu = \{\emptyset\}$ , Theorem 2.11 shows that every hereditary class is  $\star$ -strongly  $\mu$ -codense and  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = \emptyset$  and so the results established in Corollary 3.11, Theorem 3.12, Corollary 3.13, Theorem 3.14, Corollary 3.15, Theorem 3.17 and Theorem 3.18 of [5] are vacuously true.

**Theorem 2.12.** *Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a space with an ideal  $\mathcal{H}$ . If  $\mathcal{H}$  is strongly  $\mu$ -codense, then  $\mathcal{H}$  is  $\star$ -strongly  $\mu$ -codense.*

**Proof:** Let  $M, N \in \mu$  and  $A \subset X$  with  $(M \cap N) - A \in \mathcal{H}$  and  $(M \cap N) \cap A \in \mathcal{H}$ . Now  $M \cap N = ((M \cap N) - A) \cup ((M \cap N) \cap A) \in \mathcal{H}$ , since  $\mathcal{H}$  is an ideal. Since  $\mathcal{H}$  is strongly  $\mu$ -codense,  $M \cap N = \emptyset$ . Hence  $\mathcal{H}$  is  $\star$ -strongly  $\mu$ -codense.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.13.** *Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a quasi-topological space with an ideal  $\mathcal{H}$ . If  $\mathcal{H}$  is  $\mu$ -codense, then  $\mathcal{H}$  is  $\star$ -strongly  $\mu$ -codense.*

**Corollary 2.14.** *Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a space with an ideal  $\mathcal{H}$ . If  $\mathcal{H}$  is strongly  $\mu$ -codense, then  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) \subset A^\star$  for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ .*

**Proof:** Follows from Theorem 2.12 and Theorem 3.12 of [5].  $\square$

**Corollary 2.15.** *Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a space with a strongly  $\mu$ -codense ideal  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $A \subset X$ . If  $A \in \mathcal{H}$ , then  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = \emptyset$ .*

**Proof:** Follows from Corollary 2.14 and Lemma 1.1(a).  $\square$

The following Example 2.16 shows that the above Corollary 2.14 is not true for  $\mu$ -codense ideals.

**Example 2.16.** *Consider the space  $(X, \mu)$  where  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\mu = \{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$  and  $\mathcal{H} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$ . Clearly,  $\mathcal{H}$  is a  $\mu$ -codense ideal. If  $A = \{a, c\}$ , then  $A^\star = \{c\}$  and  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = \{a, c\}$  which implies that  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) \not\subset A^\star$ .*

In [5], before Lemma 3.9, it is stated that in a space  $(X, \mu)$ , every ideal  $\mathcal{H}$  is  $\star$ -strongly  $\mu$ -codense. But this statement is not true, even if  $\mathcal{H}$  is a  $\mu$ -codense ideal, as shown by the following Example 2.17.

**Example 2.17.** Consider the space  $(X, \mu)$  with hereditary class  $\mathcal{H}$  where  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\mu = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$  and  $\mathcal{H} = \{\emptyset, \{c\}\}$ . Clearly,  $\mathcal{H}$  is a  $\mu$ -codense ideal. If  $M = \{a, c\}$  and  $N = \{b, c\}$ , then  $M \cap N = \{c\}$ . Also, for every  $A \subset X$ ,  $(M \cap N) \cap A \in \mathcal{H}$  and  $(M \cap N) - A \in \mathcal{H}$ . But  $M \cap N \neq \emptyset$ . Hence  $\mathcal{H}$  is not  $\star$ -strongly  $\mu$ -codense. Note that an ideal need not be a strongly  $\mu$ -codense hereditary class.

In the rest of this section, we derive some properties of the  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}$ -operator. The following Theorem 2.18 gives characterizations of  $\mu$ -codense hereditary classes which is a generalization of Lemma 1.1(c).

**Theorem 2.18.** Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a space with a hereditary class  $\mathcal{H}$ . Then the following are equivalent.

- (a)  $\mathcal{H}$  is  $\mu$ -codense.
- (b)  $\mathcal{M}_{\mu}^{\star} = X$ .
- (c)  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(X - \mathcal{M}_{\mu}) = \emptyset$ .

**Proof:** (a) $\Leftrightarrow$ (b). Suppose  $x \in X$  and  $x \notin \mathcal{M}_{\mu}^{\star}$ . Then there exists  $M \in \mu$  such that  $x \in M$  and  $M \cap \mathcal{M}_{\mu} \in \mathcal{H}$  which implies that  $M \in \mathcal{H}$  and so  $M = \emptyset$ , since  $\mathcal{H}$  is  $\mu$ -codense. Therefore,  $x \in \mathcal{M}_{\mu}^{\star}$ . Hence  $\mathcal{M}_{\mu}^{\star} = X$ . Conversely, suppose  $M \in \mu \cap \mathcal{H}$ . If  $M \neq \emptyset$ , then there exists  $x \in M$  and so  $x \in \mathcal{M}_{\mu}^{\star}$  which implies that  $M \cap \mathcal{M}_{\mu} = M \notin \mathcal{H}$ , a contradiction. Therefore,  $\mu \cap \mathcal{H} = \{\emptyset\}$ .

(b) $\Leftrightarrow$ (c).  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(X - \mathcal{M}_{\mu}) = X - (X - (X - \mathcal{M}_{\mu}))^{\star} = X - \mathcal{M}_{\mu}^{\star}$ . So (b) and (c) are equivalent.  $\square$

The following Example 2.19 shows that the converse of Theorem 2.9(e) is not true and Theorem 2.20 gives a partial converse.

**Example 2.19.** Consider the space  $(X, \mu)$  where  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\mu = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$  and  $\mathcal{H} = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\}$ . Clearly,  $\mathcal{H}$  is a  $\mu$ -codense ideal. Here  $\mathcal{H}_r = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}\}$  so that  $\mathcal{H} \subset \mathcal{H}_r$ . If  $A = \{a, b\}$ , then  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = X - \{c\}^{\star} = X - \{c\} = \{a, b\}$  and so  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = A$ . But  $i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A) = i_{\mu}(X) = X \neq \{a, b\}$  and so  $A$  is not  $\mu r$ -open.

**Theorem 2.20.** Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a quasi-topological space with a hereditary class  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $A \subset X$ . If  $\mathcal{H}_r \subset \mathcal{H}$ , then  $A = \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A)$  implies that  $A$  is  $\mu r$ -open.

**Proof:** Suppose that  $A = \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A)$ . Then  $A$  is  $\mu$ -open and so  $A = i_{\mu}(A) \subset i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A)$ . Let  $x \in i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A)$ . Then there exists  $G \in \mu$  containing  $x$  such that  $G \subset c_{\mu}(A)$  which implies that  $G - A \subset c_{\mu}(A) - A$ . Now  $i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(c_{\mu}(A) - A) \subset i_{\mu}(c_{\mu}(A) - i_{\mu}(A)) = i_{\mu}(c_{\mu}(A) - A) = i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A) - c_{\mu}(A) = \emptyset$  and so  $c_{\mu}(A) - A \in \mathcal{H}_r$  which implies that  $c_{\mu}(A) - A \in \mathcal{H}$ , since  $\mathcal{H}_r \subset \mathcal{H}$ . Therefore,  $G - A \in \mathcal{H}$  so that  $x \in \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A)$ . Hence  $i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A) \subset \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = A$ . Thus,  $A$  is  $\mu r$ -open.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.21.** Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a quasi-topological space with a  $\mu$ -codense hereditary class  $\mathcal{H}$  such that  $\mathcal{H}_r \subset \mathcal{H}$ . Then for every  $A \subset X$ ,  $A = \Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A)$  if and only if  $A$  is  $\mu r$ -open.

**Proof:** Follows from Theorem 2.9(e) and Theorem 2.20.  $\square$

The following Theorem 2.22 gives characterizations of  $\mu$ -codense hereditary classes in terms of the generalized topology of semiopen sets  $\sigma(\mu)$  of the generalized topology  $\mu$ .

**Theorem 2.22.** *Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a space with a hereditary class  $\mathcal{H}$ . Then the following are equivalent.*

- (a)  $\mathcal{H}$  is strongly  $\mu$ -codense.
- (b) If  $A$  is  $\sigma(\mu)$ -closed, then  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) \subset A$ .
- (c)  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(c_{\mu}(A)) = i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A)$  for every  $A \subset X$ .
- (d)  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) = i_{\mu}(A)$  for every  $\mu$ -closed set  $A$ .
- (e)  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(c_{\sigma}(A)) \subset i_{\sigma}c_{\sigma}(A)$  for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ .
- (f)  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) \subset i_{\sigma}(A)$  for every  $\sigma(\mu)$ -closed set  $A$ .

**Proof:** (a) $\Rightarrow$ (b). Suppose  $A$  is  $\sigma(\mu)$ -closed. By Lemma 1.3(c),  $X - A \subset (X - A)^*$ . Therefore,  $X - (X - A)^* \subset A$  which implies that  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) \subset A$ .

(b) $\Rightarrow$ (a). If  $A \in \sigma$ , then  $X - A$  is  $\sigma$ -closed. Therefore, by (b),  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(X - A) \subset X - A$  and so  $A \subset A^*$ . By Lemma 1.3(c),  $\mathcal{H}$  is strongly  $\mu$ -codense.

(a) $\Rightarrow$ (c). If  $A \subset X$ ,  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(c_{\mu}(A)) = X - (X - c_{\mu}(A))^* = X - c_{\mu}(X - c_{\mu}(A))$ , by Lemma 1.3(e) and so  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(c_{\mu}(A)) = i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A)$ .

The equivalence of (c) and (d) is clear.

(c) $\Rightarrow$ (b). If  $A$  is  $\sigma(\mu)$ -closed, by (c),  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(c_{\mu}(A)) = i_{\mu}c_{\mu}(A) \subset A$ . Since  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}$  is monotonic, it follows that  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) \subset A$  which proves (b).

Clearly, (e) and (f) are equivalent.

(b) $\Rightarrow$ (f) follows from the fact that  $\Psi_{\mathcal{H}}(A) \in \mu$  and (e) $\Rightarrow$ (b) is clear.  $\square$

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