

## **ON $\alpha G^*$ -PRECLOSED SETS IN TOPOLOGICAL SPACES**

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### **Abstract:**

The aim of this paper is to introduce the new class of closed sets called  $\alpha g^*$ -pre-closed sets in topological spaces and some of their properties are investigated. The class of  $\alpha g^*$ -preclosed sets lies between the class of preclosed sets and the class of  $g^*p$ -closed sets.

**Keywords:**  $g$ -closed sets;  $gp$ -open sets;  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed sets;

### **1. Introduction:**

Levine [9] introduced and studied the generalized closed (briefly  $g$ -closed) sets in 1970. Maki et al [12,13, 14] and Veera Kumar [20] introduced and studied the concepts of generalized  $\alpha$ -closed ( $g\alpha$ -closed) sets and  $\alpha$ -generalized closed ( $\alpha g$ -closed) sets,  $gp$ -closed sets and  $\alpha gr$ -closed sets respectively in topological spaces.

In this paper, we define and study the properties of  $\alpha g^*$ -preclosed (briefly  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed) sets in topological spaces which is properly placed between the class of preclosed sets and the class of  $g^*p$ -closed sets.

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## 2. Preliminaries:

Throughout this paper, the space  $(X, \tau)$  (or simply  $X$ ) always means a topological space on which no separation axioms are assumed unless explicitly stated. For a subset  $A$  of a space  $X$ ,  $\text{cl}(A)$ ,  $\text{int}(A)$  and  $A^c$  denote the closure of  $A$ , the interior of  $A$  and the complement of  $A$  in  $X$  respectively.

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

- (i) regular open set [17] if  $A = \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$  and a regular closed set if  $A = \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$ .
- (ii)  $\alpha$ -open set [15] if  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)))$  and a  $\alpha$ -closed set [12] if  $\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(A))) \subseteq A$ .
- (iii) pre-open set [10] if  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$  and a pre-closed set if  $\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) \subseteq A$ .
- (iv) semi-open set [8] if  $A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$  and a semi-closed set [3] if  $\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)) \subseteq A$ .
- (v) semi-preopen set [2] ( $=\beta$ -open set [1]) if  $A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)))$  and semi-preclosed [2] ( $=\beta$ -closed set [1]) if  $\text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(A))) \subseteq A$ .

The  $\alpha$ -closure of  $A$  is the smallest  $\alpha$ -closed set containing  $A$ , and this is denoted by  $\alpha\text{cl}(A)$ . Similarly the semi-closure (resp. pre-closure and semi-pre-closure) of a set  $A$  in a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is the intersection of all semi-closed (resp. pre-closed and semi-pre-closed) sets containing  $A$  and is denoted by  $\text{scl}(A)$  (resp.  $\text{pcl}(A)$  and  $\text{spcl}(A)$ ).

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

- (i) generalized closed (briefly  $g$ -closed) [9] if  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
- (ii) semi-generalized closed (briefly  $sg$ -closed) [4] if  $\text{scl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is semi-open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
- (iii) generalized-semi closed (briefly  $gs$ -closed) [3] if  $\text{scl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
- (iv)  $\alpha$ -generalized closed (briefly  $\alpha g$ -closed) [13] if  $\alpha\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
- (v) generalized pre-closed (briefly  $gp$ -closed) [14] if  $\text{pcl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

- (vi) generalized semi-preclosed (briefly gsp-closed) [6] if  $\text{spcl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
- (vii) generalized pre regular closed (briefly gpr-closed) [7] if  $\text{pcl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is regular-open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
- (viii)  $\alpha$ -generalized regular-closed (briefly  $\alpha$ gr-closed) set [20] if  $\alpha\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is regular-open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
- (ix)  $g^*p$ -closed [19] if  $\text{pcl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $g$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
- (x)  $g^\# \alpha$ -closed [16] if  $\alpha\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $g$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

### 3. $\alpha g^*$ -preclosed sets in topological spaces:

In this section we introduce  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed sets in topological spaces and study some of their properties.

**Definition 3.1:** A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be  $\alpha g^*$ -pre closed (briefly  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed) set if  $\alpha\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $gp$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

The family of all  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed sets in a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is denoted by  $\alpha g^*pC(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 3.2:** Every closed set is  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set but not conversely.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be a closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Note that  $\alpha\text{cl}(A) \subseteq \text{cl}(A)$  is always true and  $\text{cl}(A) = A$  as  $A$  is closed. So if  $A \subseteq G$  where  $G$  is  $gp$ -open set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $\alpha\text{cl}(A) \subseteq G$ . Hence  $A$  is  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Example 3.3:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}\}$ . Then the subsets  $\{b\}$  and  $\{c\}$  are  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed sets but not closed sets in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 3.4:** Every  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set is  $g^*p$ -closed set.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be a  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Let  $A \subseteq U$ , where  $U$  is  $g$ -open and so it is  $gp$ -open set. Then  $\alpha\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$ . Note that  $\text{pcl}(A) \subseteq \alpha\text{cl}(A)$  is always true. Therefore  $\text{pcl}(A) \subseteq U$ . Hence  $A$  is  $g^*p$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

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

**Example 3.5:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Then the subsets  $\{a\}$  and  $\{b\}$  are  $g^*p$ -closed sets but not  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed sets in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 3.6:** Every  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set is  $\alpha gr$ -closed set.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be a  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Let  $G$  be a regular-open set and so it is  $gp$ -open set such that  $A \subseteq G$ . As  $A$  is  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed we have  $\alpha cl(A) \subseteq G$ . Therefore  $\alpha cl(A) \subseteq G$ . Hence  $A$  is  $\alpha gr$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

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

**Example 3.7:** In Example 3.3, the subset  $\{a\}$  is  $\alpha gr$ -closed set but not a  $\alpha g^*s$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 3.8:** Every  $\alpha$ -closed set is  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set.

**Proof:** Proof is follows from the definitions.

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

**Example 3.9:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$ . Then the subset  $\{a, c\}$  is  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set but not an  $\alpha$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 3.10:** Every  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set is  $gp$ -closed set but not conversely.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be a  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Let  $A \subseteq U$ , where  $U$  is open and so it is  $gp$ -open set. Then  $\alpha cl(A) \subseteq U$ . Note that  $pcl(A) \subseteq \alpha cl(A)$  is always true. Therefore  $pcl(A) \subseteq U$ . Hence  $A$  is  $gp$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Example 3.11:** In Example 3.3, the subsets  $\{a, c\}$  are  $gp$ -closed sets but not  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed sets in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 3.12:** Every  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set is  $gs$ -closed set but not conversely.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be a  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Let  $A \subseteq U$ , where  $U$  is open and so it is  $gp$ -open set. Then  $\alpha cl(A) \subseteq U$ . Note that  $scl(A) \subseteq \alpha cl(A)$  is always true. Therefore  $scl(A) \subseteq U$ . Hence  $A$  is  $gs$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Example 3.13:** In Example 3.3, the subsets  $\{a, c\}$  are gs-closed sets but not  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed sets in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 3.12:** Every  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set is gpr-closed set but not conversely.

**Proof:** Since every gp-closed set is gpr-closed and by Theorem 3.10, Therefore every  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set is gpr-closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Example 3.13:** In Example 3.3, the subsets  $\{a, c\}$  are gpr-closed sets but not  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed sets in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 3.14:** Every  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set is  $g^\# \alpha$ -closed set but not conversely.

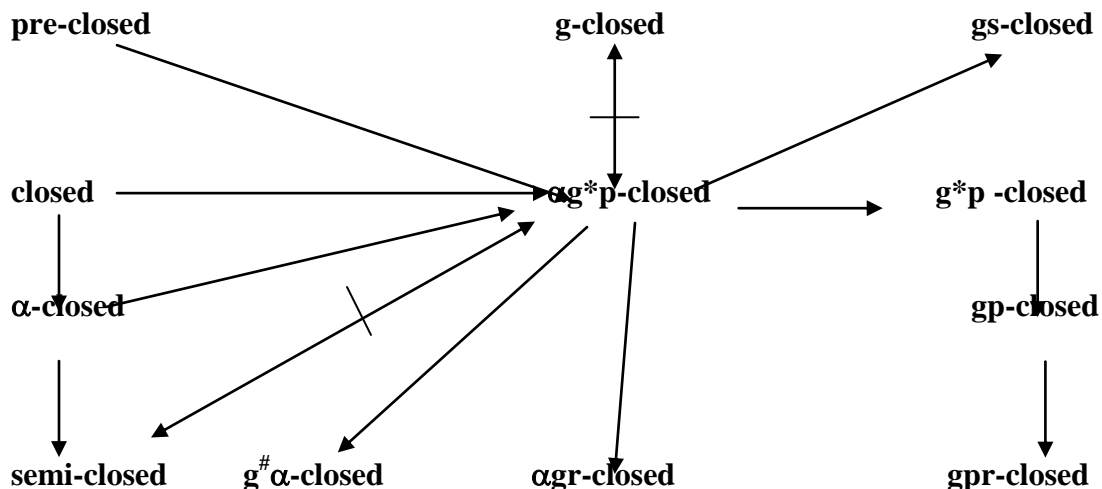
**Proof:** Let  $A$  be a  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Let  $G$  be a  $g$ -open set and so it is  $gp$ -open set such that  $A \subseteq G$ . Then  $\alpha cl(A) \subseteq G$ . Therefore  $\alpha cl(A) \subseteq G$ . Hence  $A$  is  $g^\# \alpha$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Example 3.15:** : Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Then the subset  $\{a, c\}$  is  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set but not an  $g^\# \alpha$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 3.16:** If  $A$  and  $B$  are  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed sets, then  $A \cup B$  is  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proof:** If  $A \cup B \subseteq G$  and  $G$  is  $gp$ -open. Then  $A \subseteq G$  and  $B \subseteq G$ . Since  $A$  and  $B$  are  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed sets,  $\alpha cl(A) \subseteq G$  and  $\alpha cl(B) \subseteq G$  and hence  $G \supseteq \alpha cl(A) \cup \alpha cl(B) = \alpha cl(A \cup B)$ . Thus  $A \cup B$  is  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Remark 3.17:** From the above results we have the following diagram.



Where  $A \rightarrow B$  ( $A \leftrightarrow B$ ) represents  $A$  implies  $B$  but not conversely ( $A$  and  $B$  are independent).

**Theorem 3.18:** If  $A$  is both open and  $g$ -closed, then  $A$  is  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed.

**Proof:**  $A$  is open and  $g$ -closed. Let  $U$  be a  $gp$ -open set containing  $A$ .  $A \subseteq U$ , an open set. And  $A$  is  $g$ -closed. Therefore  $cl(A) \subseteq A$ ,  $plc(A) \subseteq cl(A) \subseteq A \subseteq U$ . Hence  $pcl(A) \subseteq U$ . Thus every  $gp$ -open set  $U$  containing  $A$  contains  $pcl(A)$ . Therefore  $A$  is  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed.

**Theorem 3.18:** If  $A$  is an  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$  if and only if  $\alpha cl(A) - A$  contains no non-empty  $gp$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proof:** Let  $F$  be a  $gp$ -closed set contained in  $\alpha cl(A) - A$ . Then  $A^c \subseteq F^c$  and  $F^c$  is a  $gp$ -open set of  $(X, \tau)$ . Since  $A$  is  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set,  $\alpha cl(A) \subseteq F^c$ . This implies  $F \subseteq X - \alpha cl(A)$ . Then  $F \subseteq (X - \alpha cl(A)) \cap (\alpha cl(A) - A)$ .  $F \subseteq (X - \alpha cl(A)) \cap \alpha cl(A) = \phi$ . Therefore  $F = \phi$ .

Conversely, suppose that  $\alpha cl(A) - A$  contain no non-empty  $gp$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Let  $G$  be a  $gp$ -open such that  $A \subseteq G$ . If  $\alpha cl(A) \not\subseteq G$ , then  $\alpha cl(A) \cap G^c$  is a non-empty  $gp$ -closed set of  $\alpha cl(A) - A$ . which is a contradiction. Therefore  $\alpha cl(A) \subseteq G$  and hence  $A$  is an  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 3.19:** If a subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed such that  $A \subseteq B \subseteq \alpha cl(A)$ , then  $B$  is also  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed.

**Proof:** Let  $U$  be a  $gp$ -open set in  $X$  such that  $B \subseteq U$ , then  $A \subseteq U$ . Since  $A$  is  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed,  $\alpha cl(A) \subseteq U$ . By hypothesis,  $B \subseteq \alpha cl(A)$  and hence  $\alpha cl(B) \subseteq \alpha cl(\alpha cl(A)) = \alpha cl(A) \subseteq U$ . Consequently,  $\alpha cl(B) \subseteq U$ . Therefore  $B$  is also  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 3.20:** If  $A$  is  $gp$ -open and  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set, then  $A$  is  $\alpha$ -closed set.

**Proof:** Let  $A \subseteq A$ , where  $A$  is  $gp$ -open. Then  $\alpha cl(A) \subseteq A$  as  $A$  is  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ . But  $A \subseteq \alpha cl(A)$  is always true. Therefore  $A = \alpha cl(A)$ . Hence  $A$  is  $\alpha$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 3.21:** Let  $A \subseteq Y \subseteq X$  and suppose that  $A$  is  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set in  $X$ , then  $A$  is  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed relative to  $Y$ .

**Proof:** Given that  $A \subseteq Y \subseteq X$  and  $A$  is  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ . To prove that  $A$  is  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed relative to  $Y$ . Let  $A \subseteq Y \cap G$ , where  $G$  is open and so  $gp$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ . Since  $A$  is an  $\alpha g^*p$ -

closed set in  $X$ ,  $A \subseteq G$  which implies that  $\alpha \text{cl}(A) \subseteq G$ . That is  $Y \cap \alpha \text{cl}(A) \subseteq Y \cap G$ . where  $Y \cap \alpha \text{cl}(A)$  is the  $\alpha$ -closure of  $A$  of  $Y$ . Thus  $A$  is  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed relative to  $Y$ .

We introduce the following

**Definition 3.22:** A subset  $A$  of topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $\alpha g^*$ -pre open (briefly  $\alpha g^*p$ -open) set if its complement  $A^c$  is  $\alpha g^*p$ -closed.

**Theorem 3.23:** A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$  is  $\alpha g^*p$ -open if and only if  $F \subseteq \alpha \text{int}(A)$  whenever  $F \subseteq A$  and  $F$  is  $g$ s-closed.

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