

## On Locally $b^{**}$ Closed Sets

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Abstract : We introduce the notion of locally  $b^{**}$ -closed ,  $b^{**}$ -B-set, locally  $b^{**}$  closed continuous ,  $b^{**}$ -B-continuous functions and obtain decomposition of continuity and complete continuity.

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### 1.1 Introduction

Tong [17,18] , Ganster- Reily [5] , Hatice [7], Hatir-Noiri [8] , Przemski [20] , Noiri – Sayed [13] and Erguang – Pengfei [4] , gave some decompositions of continuity. Andrijevic [2] introduced a class of generalized open sets in a topological space, the so called b-open sets. The class of b-open sets is contained in the class of semi open and preopen sets. Tong [18] introduced the concept of t-set and B-set in topological space. In this paper we introduce the notion of locally  $b^{**}$ -closed sets , b-B-set ,  $b^{**}$ -closed continuous and b-B-continuous function , and obtain another decomposition of continuity. All throughout this paper  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \sigma)$  stand for topological spaces with no separation axioms assumed, unless otherwise stated. Let  $A \subseteq X$  , the closure of A and the interior of A will be denoted by  $Cl(A)$  and  $Int(A)$  , respectively.

A is regular open if  $A = \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(A))$  and A is regular closed if  $A = \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(A))$ . The complement of  $b^{**}$ -open set is said to be  $b^{**}$ -closed. The intersection of all  $b^{**}$ -closed sets of X containing A is called  $b^{**}$ -closure of A and is denoted by  $b^{**}\text{Cl}(A)$  of A. The union of all  $b^{**}$ -open (resp.  $\alpha$ -open, semi open, preopen) sets of X contain in A is called  $b^{**}$ -interior (resp.  $\alpha\text{Int}(A)$ ,  $s\text{Int}(A)$ ,  $p\text{Int}(A)$ ) of A and is denoted by  $b^{**}\text{Int}(A)$  of A. The family of all  $b^{**}$ -open (resp.  $\alpha$ -open, semi open, preopen, regular open,  $b^{**}$ -closed, preclosed) subsets of a space X is denoted by  $B^{**}\text{O}(X)$  (resp.  $\alpha\text{O}(X)$ ,  $S\text{O}(X)$  and  $P\text{O}(X)$ ,  $B^{**}\text{Cl}(X)$ ,  $\text{PCI}(X)$ ).

Definition 1.1. A subset A of a space X is said to be :

1.  $\alpha$ -open [12] if  $A \subseteq \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(\text{Int}(A)))$ ;
2. Semi-open [9] if  $A \subseteq \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(A))$ ;
3. preopen [15] if  $A \subseteq \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(A))$ ;
4. b-open [1] if  $A \subseteq \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(A)) \cup \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(A))$ ;
5. Semi-preopen [2] if  $A \subseteq \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(\text{Cl}(A)))$ ;
6.  $b^{**}$ -open if  $A \subseteq \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(\text{Int}(A))) \cup \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(\text{Cl}(A)))$ .

The following result will be useful in the sequel.

Lemma 1.1. [1] If A is a subset of a space  $(X, \tau)$ , then

1.  $s\text{Int}(A) = A \cap \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(A))$ ;
2.  $p\text{Int}(A) = A \cap \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(A))$ ;
3.  $\alpha\text{Int}(A) = A \cap \text{Int}(\text{Cl}(\text{Int}(A)))$ ;
4.  $b\text{Int}(A) = s\text{Int}(A) \cup p\text{Int}(A)$ ;
5.  $b^{**}\text{Int}(A) = \alpha\text{Int}(A) \cup \beta\text{Int}(A)$ .

## 2. Locally $b^{**}$ -closed sets

Definition 2.1. A subset  $A$  of a space  $X$  is called:

1. t-set [18] if  $Int(A) = Int(Cl(A))$ .
2. B-set [18] if  $A = U \cap V$  where  $U \in \tau$  and  $V$  is a t-set.
3. locally closed [3] if  $U \cap V$ , where  $U \in \tau$  and  $V$  is closed.
4. locally  $b$  closed if  $U \cap V$ , where  $U \in \tau$  and  $V$  is  $b$  closed
5. locally  $b^{**}$ -closed if  $U \cap V$ , where  $U \in \tau$  and  $V$  is  $b^{**}$ -closed.

We recall that a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be extremally disconnected (briefly E.D.) if the closure of every open set of  $X$  is open in  $X$ . We note that a subset  $A$  of  $X$  is locally closed if and only if  $A = U \cap Cl(A)$  for some open set  $U$ . The following example shows that the two notions of  $b^{**}$ -open and locally closed are independent.

Example 2.1. Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  and  $\tau = \{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, X, \phi\}$  with  $B^{**}O(X, \tau) = \{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, X, \phi\}$  and the family of all locally closed sets is  $LC(X, \tau) = \{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, c\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, X, \phi\}$ . It is clear that  $\{a, b, d\}$  is  $b^{**}$  open but not locally closed and  $\{c, d\}$  is locally closed but not  $b^{**}$ -open.

Theorem 2.1. For a subset  $A$  of an extremally disconnected space  $(X, \tau)$ , the following are equivalent:

1.  $A$  is open,
2.  $A$  is  $b^{**}$ -open and locally closed.

Proof. (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). This is obvious from the definitions.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let  $A$  be  $b^{**}$ -closed and locally closed so  $A \subseteq Cl(Int(Cl(A))) \cup Int(Cl(Int(A)))$ ,

$A = U \cap Cl(A)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} A &\subseteq U \cap [Int(Cl(Int(A))) \cup Cl(Int(Cl(A)))] \\ &\subseteq [(Int(U \cap Cl(Int(A))) \cup (U \cap Cl(Int(Cl(A)))))] \\ &\subseteq [Int(U \cap Int(Cl(A))) \cup (U \cap Cl(Cl(Int(A))))] \\ &\subseteq [Int(Int(U \cap (Cl(A))) \cup (U \cap Cl(Int(A))))] \\ &\subseteq Int(U \cap Cl(A)) \cup Int(U \cap Cl(A)) \end{aligned}$$

$$= IntA \cup IntA = Int A$$

Therefore  $A$  is open.

Definition 2.2. A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$  is called  $D(c, b^{**})$ -set if  $Int(A) = b^{**}Int(A)$ .

From the following examples one can deduce that  $b^*$ -open and  $D(c, b^{**})$ - set are independent.

Example 2.2. Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, X, \phi\}$ . Then  $B^{**}O(X, \tau) = \{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, X, \phi\}$ , it is clear that  $A = \{c\}$  is  $D(c, b^{**})$  but not  $b^{**}$ -open. Also  $B = \{a, b, d\}$  is  $b^{**}$ -open but not  $D(c, b^{**})$ .

Theorem 2.2. For a subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau)$ , the following are equivalent:

1.  $A$  is open,
2.  $A$  is  $b^{**}$ -open and  $D(c, b^{**})$ - set.

Proof . (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) If  $A$  is open then  $A$  is  $b^{**}$ -open and  $A = Int(A) = b^{**}Int(A)$  so  $A$  is  $D(c, b^{**})$ - set.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) The condition  $A \in B^{**}O(X)$  and  $A \in D(c, b^{**})$  imply  $A = b^{**}Int(A)$  and  $Int(A) = b^{**}Int(A)$  and consequently  $A$  is open.

Proposition 2.1. Let  $H$  be a subset of  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $H$  is locally  $b^{**}$ -closed if and only if there exist an open set  $U \subseteq X$  such that  $H = U \cap b^{**}Cl(H)$ .

Proof. Since H being locally  $b^{**}$ -closed, then  $H = U \cap F$  , where U is open and F is  $b^{**}$ -closed.

So  $H \subseteq U$  and  $H \subseteq F$  then  $H \subseteq b^{**}Cl(H) \subseteq b^{**}Cl(F) = F$ . Therefore

$H \subseteq U \cap b^{**}Cl(H) \subseteq U \cap b^{**}Cl(F) = U \cap F = H$ . Hence  $H = U \cap b^{**}Cl(H)$ . Conversely since

$b^{**}Cl(H)$  is  $b^{**}$ -closed and  $H = U \cap bCl(H)$  , then H is locally  $b^{**}$ -closed.

Proposition 2.2.

1. The union of any family of  $b^{**}$ -open sets is  $b^{**}$ -open.
2. The intersection of an open set and a  $b^{**}$ -open set is a  $b^{**}$ -open set.

Proposition 2.3. Let A be a subset of a topological space X, if A is locally  $b^{**}$ -closed, then

1.  $b^{**}Cl(A) - A$  is  $b^{**}$ -closed set.
2.  $[A \cup (X - b^{**}Cl(A))]$  is  $b^{**}$ -open.
3.  $A \subseteq b^{**}Int(A \cup (X - b^{**}Cl(A)))$ .

Proof. 1. If A is an locally  $b^{**}$ -closed, there exist an U is open such that

$A = U \cap b^{**}Cl(A)$ . Now

$$\begin{aligned}
 b^{**}Cl(A) - A &= b^{**}Cl(A) - [U \cap b^{**}Cl(A)] \\
 &= b^{**}Cl(A) \cap [X - (U \cap b^{**}Cl(A))] \\
 &= b^{**}Cl(A) \cap [(X - U) \cup (X - b^{**}Cl(A))] \\
 &= [b^{**}Cl(A) \cap (X - U)] \cup [b^{**}Cl(A) \cap (X - b^{**}Cl(A))] \\
 &= b^{**}Cl(A) \cap (X - U)
 \end{aligned}$$

which is closed by proposition 2.2.

2. Since  $b^{**}Cl(A) - A$  is  $b^{**}$ -closed , then  $[X - b^{**}Cl(A) - A]$  is  $b^{**}$  open and  $[X -$

$$(b^{**}Cl(A) - A) = X - [(b^{**}Cl(A) \cap (X - A))] = [A \cup (X - b^{**}Cl(A))].$$

3. It is clear that  $A \subseteq [A \cup (X - b^{**}Cl(A))] = b^{**}Int[A \cup (X - b^{**}Cl(A))]$ .

As a consequence of the proposition 2.2 we have the following

Corollary 2.2. The intersection of a locally  $b^{**}$ -closed set and locally closed set is locally  $b^{**}$ -closed.

Let  $A, B \subseteq X$ . Then  $A$  and  $B$  are said to be separated if  $A \cap Cl(B) = \phi$  and  $B \cap Cl(A) = \phi$ .

Theorem 2.3. Suppose  $(X, \tau)$ , is closed under finite unions of  $b^{**}$ -closed sets. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be the locally  $b^{**}$ -closed. If  $A$  and  $B$  are separated, then  $A \cup B$  is locally  $b^{**}$ -closed.

Proof. Since  $A$  and  $b$  are locally  $b^{**}$ -closed,  $A = G \cap b^{**}Cl(A)$  and  $B = H \cap b^{**}Cl(B)$ , where  $G$  and  $H$  are open in  $X$ . Put  $U = G \cap (X \setminus Cl(B))$  and  $V = H \cap (X \setminus Cl(A))$ . Then

$$U \cap b^{**}Cl(A) = ((G \cap (X \setminus Cl(B))) \cap b^{**}Cl(A)) = A \cap (X \setminus Cl(B)) = A, \text{ Since}$$

$$A \subseteq (X \setminus Cl(B)). \text{ Similarly } V \cap b^{**}Cl(B) = B. \text{ And } U \cap b^{**}Cl(B) \subseteq U \cap Cl(B) = \phi \text{ and}$$

$$V \cap b^{**}Cl(A) \subseteq V \cap Cl(A) = \phi. \text{ Since } U \text{ and } V \text{ are open.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (U \cup V) \cap b^{**}Cl(A \cup B) &= (U \cup V) \cap (b^{**}Cl(A) \cup b^{**}Cl(B)) \\ &= (U \cap b^{**}Cl(A)) \cup (U \cap b^{**}Cl(B)) \cup (V \cap b^{**}Cl(A)) \cup (V \cap b^{**}Cl(B)) \\ &= A \cup B \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $A \cup B$  is locally  $b^{**}$ -closed.

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