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## A NEW CLOSURE OPERATOR IN BITOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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**Abstract:** In this paper we introduce a concept of  $\omega\alpha$ -closure in bitopological spaces and derive some basic properties of  $\omega\alpha$ -closure in a bitopological spaces.

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### 1. Introduction

In 2007, Benchalli et al.[1] introduced the notion of  $\omega\alpha$  - closed sets using  $\omega$ -open sets[8] and showed that this class properly contains the class of  $\alpha$ -sets. Recently the present author extended the notion of  $\omega\alpha$ -closed sets to bitopological spaces [7]. Dunham [3] introduced the concept of generalized closure operator  $c^*$  using generalized closed sets of Levine [6]. Then Fukutake [4] introduced and studied the concept of pairwise generalized closure operator  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - cl^*$  in bitopological spaces.

In this paper, we introduce the notion of  $\omega\alpha$ -closure operator in bitopological spaces by using  $\omega\alpha$ -closed sets in bitopological spaces [7]. Also it is proved that  $\omega\alpha$ - closure satisfies Kuratowski closure operator type properties in bitopological spaces.

We recall some definitions and concepts which are useful in the following sections.

### 2. Preliminaries:

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If  $A$  is a subset of  $X$  with a topology  $\tau$ , then the closure, interior and  $\alpha$ -closure of  $A$  is denoted by  $\text{cl}(A)$ ,  $\text{int}(A)$  and  $\alpha\text{cl}(A)$  respectively and the complement of  $A$  is denoted by  $A^c$  or  $X - A$

**Definition 2.2:** A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$  is called  $\omega$ -closed [8] if  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is semi-open in  $X$ . The complement of  $\omega$ -closed set is  $\omega$ -open.

**Definition 2.3:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and let  $A \subset X$ . Then  $A$  is called  $\omega\alpha$ -closed set [1] if  $\alpha\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\omega$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$  and its complement  $A^c$  (or  $X - A$ ) is called  $\omega\alpha$ -open.

**Definition 2.4:** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be  $T_{\omega\alpha}$ -space [1] if every  $\omega\alpha$ -closed set is closed.

Throughout this paper the spaces  $X$  and  $Y$  always represent nonempty bitopological spaces  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  and  $(Y, \mu_1, \mu_2)$  on which no separation axioms are assumed unless explicitly mentioned and the integers  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$ . For a  $A \subset X$ ,  $\tau_i\text{-cl}(A)$ ,  $\tau_i\text{-int}(A)$  and  $\tau_i\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A)$  denote the closure of  $A$ , interior of  $A$ , and  $\alpha$ -closure of  $A$  with respect of the topology  $\tau_i$  respectively.

We denote the family of all  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$  -  $\omega\alpha$  - closed sets in  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  by  $B(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ .

**Definition 2.5:** Let  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$  be fixed integers. In a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ , a subset  $A$  of  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is called  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$  -  $\omega\alpha$  - closed set [7] if  $\tau_j\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\omega$ -open set in  $\tau_i$ .

**Definition 2.6:** A bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is called  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$  -  $T_{\omega\alpha}$  - space [7] if every  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$  -  $\omega\alpha$  - closed set is  $\tau_j$  - closed.

### 3. $\omega\alpha$ -Closure in Bitopological Spaces

In this section we define  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$  -  $\omega\alpha$  closure and study some characterizations.

**Definition 3.1:** Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  be a bitopological space and  $E$  be a subset of  $X$ . Then  $\omega\alpha$  -closure of  $E$  denoted by  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$  -  $\omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E)$  is defined as  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$  -  $\omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E) = \bigcap \{A \subseteq X / E \subseteq A \in B(\tau_i, \tau_j)\}$ .

**Theorem 3.2:** If  $E$  and  $F$  are subsets of a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ , then the following properties hold good:

- (i)  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha cl^*(X) = X$ .
- (ii)  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha cl^*(\phi) = \phi$ .
- (iii)  $A \subseteq (\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha cl^*(A)$ .
- (iv) If  $B$  is any  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha$ -closed set containing  $A$ , then  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha cl^*(A) \subseteq B$

**Proof:** Follows from the Definition 3.1.

**Theorem 3.3:** Let  $E$  be a subset of  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ . Then, we have the following results:

- (i)  $E \subseteq (\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha cl^*(E) \subseteq \tau_j - \omega\alpha cl(E)$ .
- (ii) If  $E$  is  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha$ -closed then  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha cl^*(E) = E$ .

**Proof:** (i)  $E \subseteq (\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha cl^*(E)$  follows from the Definition 3.1. Suppose that  $B$  is  $\tau_j$ -closed set. So  $B$  is  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha$ -closed. Then  $\{\tau_j - \text{closed set}\} \subseteq \{(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{-closed set}\} \cap \{(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{-closed set containing } E\} \subseteq \cap \{\tau_j - \text{closed set containing } E\}$ . That is  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha cl^*(E) \subseteq \tau_j - \omega\alpha cl(E)$ .

(ii) Follows from Definition 3.1 and Theorem 3.3(i).

**Remark 3.4:** The containment relations in the Theorem 3.3(i) may be proper and the converse of the Theorem 3.3(ii) is not true in general as seen from the following examples.

**Example 3.5:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau_1 = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$  and  $\tau_2 = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$ . Then the subset  $A = \{b\}$  of  $X$ ,  $(\tau_1, \tau_2) - \omega\alpha cl^*(\{b\}) = \{b, c\}$  and  $\tau_2 - \omega\alpha cl(\{b\}) = \{b, c\}$ . So  $E \subseteq (\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha cl^*(E) \subseteq \tau_j - \omega\alpha cl(E)$ .

**Example 3.6:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau_1 = \{\phi, \{a\}, X\}$  and  $\tau_2 = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ . Then for a subset  $A = \{a\}$  of  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ ,  $(\tau_1, \tau_2) - \omega\alpha cl^*(\{a\}) = \{a\}$  but  $A$  is not  $(\tau_1, \tau_2) - \omega\alpha$ -closed set.

**Theorem 3.7:** Let  $E$  and  $F$  be two subsets of  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ .

- (i) If  $E \subseteq F$ , then  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha cl^*(E) \subseteq (\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha cl^*(F)$
- (ii) If  $\tau_1 \subseteq \tau_2$ , then  $(\tau_1, \tau_2) - \omega\alpha cl^*(E) \subseteq (\tau_2, \tau_1) - \omega\alpha cl^*(E)$ .

**Proof:** (i) Let  $E \subseteq F$ . By Definition 3.1,  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha cl^*(F) = \cap \{A \subseteq X / F \subseteq A \in B(\tau_i, \tau_j)\}$ . If  $F \subseteq A \in B(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ , then  $E \subseteq F \subseteq A \in B(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ . We have  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha cl^*(E) \subseteq A$ . Then  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) -$

$\omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E) \subseteq \cap\{A:F \subseteq A \in B(\tau_i, \tau_j)\} = (\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(F)$ . That is  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E) \subseteq (\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(F)$

(ii)  $\tau_1 \subseteq \tau_2$  implies  $B(\tau_2, \tau_1) \subseteq B(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ , which implies

$$\{C \in X/E \subseteq C \in B(\tau_2, \tau_1)\} \subseteq \{A \in X/E \subseteq A \in B(\tau_1, \tau_2)\}$$

$$\cap\{A \in X/E \subseteq A \in B(\tau_1, \tau_2)\} \subseteq \cap\{C \in X/E \subseteq C \in B(\tau_2, \tau_1)\}$$

Thus  $(\tau_1, \tau_2) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E) \subseteq (\tau_2, \tau_1) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E)$ .

**Theorem 3.8:** The operator  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*$  is the same as the Kuratowski closure operator.

**Proof:**

(i) It follows from Theorem 3.2(ii) that  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(\phi) = \phi$ .

(ii)  $E \subseteq (\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E)$  follows from Theorem 3.3(i).

(iii) Suppose  $E$  and  $F$  are two sets of  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ . It follows from Theorem 3.7(i),  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E) \subseteq (\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E \cup F)$  and  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(F) \subseteq (\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E \cup F)$ . Hence we have  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E) \cup (\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(F) \subseteq (\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E \cup F)$ .

Now if  $x \notin (\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E) \cup (\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(F)$  then there exist  $A, B \in B(\tau_i, \tau_j)$  such that  $E \subseteq A$ ,  $x \notin A$  and  $F \subseteq B$ ,  $x \notin B$ . Hence  $E \cup F \subseteq A \cup B$  and  $x \notin A \cup B$ . Since  $A \cup B$  is  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha$ -closed by [1],  $x \notin (\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E \cup F)$ . Then we have  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E \cup F) \subseteq (\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E) \cup (\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(F)$ . Therefore we have  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E \cup F) = (\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E) \cup (\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(F)$ .

(iv) Let  $E$  be a subset of  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  and  $A$  be a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha$ -closed set containing  $E$ . Since  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E) \subseteq A$ , we have  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E) \supseteq (\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*((\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E))$ . Conversely  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E) \subseteq (\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*((\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E))$  is true by Theorem 3.3(i). Then we have  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E) = (\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*((\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E))$ . Hence the proof.

From the above Theorem 3.8,  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*$  defines a new topology on  $X$ .

**Definition 3.9:** Let  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$  be two fixed integers. Let  $\tau_{\omega\alpha}^*(\tau_i, \tau_j)$  be the topology on  $X$  generated by  $(\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*$  in the usual manner. That is  $\tau_{\omega\alpha}^*(\tau_i, \tau_j) = \{E \subseteq X; (\tau_i, \tau_j) - \omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E^c) = E^c\}$ .

**Theorem 3.10:** Let  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$  be two fixed integers. Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  be a bitopological space, then  $\tau_j \subseteq \tau_{\omega\alpha}^*(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ .

**Proof:** Let  $G$  be any  $\tau_j$ - open set. It follows that  $G^c$  is  $\tau_j$ - closed. By [1],  $G^c$  is  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$  -  $\omega\alpha$ -closed. Therefore  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$  -  $\omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(G^c) = G^c$ , by Theorem 3.3 (ii). That is  $G \in \tau_{\omega\alpha}^*(\tau_i, \tau_j)$  and hence  $\tau_j \subseteq \tau_{\omega\alpha}^*(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ .

**Remark 3.11:** Containment relation in the above Theorem 3.10 may be proper as seen from the following example.

**Example 3.12:** In Example 3.5, the  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$  -  $\omega\alpha$ -closed sets are  $\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}, X$  and  $\tau_{\omega\alpha}^*(\tau_1, \tau_2) = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$ . Clearly  $\tau_2 \subseteq \tau_{\omega\alpha}^*(\tau_1, \tau_2)$  but  $\tau_2 \neq \tau_{\omega\alpha}^*(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ .

**Theorem 3.13:** Let  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$  be two fixed integers. Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  be a bitopological space. If a subset  $E$  of  $X$  is  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$  -  $\omega\alpha$ -closed, then  $E$  is  $\tau_{\omega\alpha}^*(\tau_1, \tau_2)$  - closed.

**Proof:** Let a subset  $E$  of  $X$  be  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$  -  $\omega\alpha$ -closed. By Theorem 3.3(ii),  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$  -  $\omega\alpha\text{cl}^*(E) = E$ . That is  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$  -  $\omega\alpha\text{cl}^*\{(E^c)^c\} = (E^c)^c$ . It follows that  $E^c \subseteq \tau_{\omega\alpha}^*(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ . Therefore  $E$  is  $\tau_{\omega\alpha}^*(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -closed.

However the converse of the above Theorem 3.13 need not be true as seen from the following example.

**Example 3.14:** In Example 3.5, the set  $A = \{b\}$  is  $\tau_{\omega\alpha}^*(\tau_1, \tau_2)$  - closed but not  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$  -  $\omega\alpha$ - closed in  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ .

**Theorem 3.15:** For any point  $x$  of  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ ,  $\{x\}$  is  $\tau_1$  -  $\omega$ -closed or  $\{x\}^c$  is  $\tau^*(\tau_i, \tau_j)$  -closed.

**Proof:** Suppose  $\{x\}$  is not  $\tau_1$  -  $\omega$ -closed. Then  $\{x\}^c$  is  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$  -  $\omega\alpha$ -closed by [1]. Then by Theorem 3.10 (ii),  $\{x\}^c$  is  $\tau^*(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -closed.

**Corollary 3.16:** If  $\tau_1 \subseteq \tau_2$  in  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  then  $\tau^*(\tau_2, \tau_1) \subseteq \tau^*(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ .

**Proof:** Let  $E \in \tau^*(\tau_2, \tau_1)$ . Then  $E \in \tau^*(\tau_1, \tau_2)$  by Theorems 3.5(ii), 3.3(ii) and by assumption. Hence  $\tau^*(\tau_2, \tau_1) \subseteq \tau^*(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ .

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