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# WEAKLY $\mathcal{I}_{a\delta}$ -CLOSED SETS

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Abstract – In this paper, the notion of weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed sets in ideal topological spaces is introduced and studied. The relationships of weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed sets and various properties of weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed sets are investigated.

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# **1** Introduction and Preliminaries

In this paper,  $(X, \tau)$  represents topological space on which no separation axioms are assumed unless explicitly stated. The closure and the interior of a subset G of a space X will be denoted by cl(G) and int(G), respectively.

In 1937, Stone [16] introduced and studied the notion of regular open sets in topological spaces. A subset G of X is said to be regular open [16] if int(cl(G))=G. The complement of regular open set is regular closed. In 1968, Veličko [19] introduced the notion of  $\delta$ -open sets, which are stronger than open sets in order to investigate the characterization of H-closed spaces. A point  $x \in X$  is called a  $\delta$ -cluster point of G if  $G \cap U \neq \emptyset$  for every regular open set U containing x. The set of all  $\delta$ -cluster points of G is called the  $\delta$ -closure of G and is denoted by  $cl_{\delta}(G)$ . If  $cl_{\delta}(G)=G$ , then G is called  $\delta$ -closed. The complement of a  $\delta$ -closed set is  $\delta$ -open. In 1968, Zaitsav [20] introduced and studied the notion of  $\pi$ -open sets. A finite union of regular open sets is said to be  $\pi$ -open [20]. The complement of a  $\pi$ -open set is  $\pi$ -closed.

In 1999, Dontchev et al. studied the notion of generalized closed sets in ideal topological spaces called  $\mathcal{I}_{g}$ -closed sets [2]. In 2008, Navaneethakrishnan and Paulraj Joseph have studied some characterizations of normal spaces via  $\mathcal{I}_{g}$ -open sets [10].

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In 2013, Ekici and Ozen [6] introduced a generalized class of  $\tau^*$ . Ravi et. al [14, 15] introduced another generalized classes of  $\tau^*$  called weakly  $\mathcal{I}_g$ -closed sets and weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{\pi g}$ -closed sets respectively.

The main aim of this paper is to study the notion of weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed sets in ideal topological spaces. Moreover, this generalized class of  $\tau^*$  generalize  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open sets and weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open sets. The relationships of weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed sets and various properties of weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed sets are discussed.

**Definition 1.1.** A subset G of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be

- 1. g-closed [9] if  $cl(G) \subseteq H$  whenever  $G \subseteq H$  and H is open in X;
- 2. g-open [9] if  $X \setminus G$  is g-closed;
- 3. weakly g-closed [17] if  $cl(int(G)) \subseteq H$  whenever  $G \subseteq H$  and H is open in X.

An ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  on a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is a nonempty collection of subsets of X which satisfies

- 1.  $A \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $B \subseteq A$  imply  $B \in \mathcal{I}$  and
- 2.  $A \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $B \in \mathcal{I}$  imply  $A \cup B \in \mathcal{I}$  [8].

Given a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  with an ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  on X if  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  is the set of all subsets of X, a set operator  $(\bullet)^* : \mathcal{P}(X) \to \mathcal{P}(X)$ , called a local function [8] of A with respect to  $\tau$  and  $\mathcal{I}$ , is defined as follows: for  $A \subseteq X$ ,  $A^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau) = \{x \in X \mid U \cap A \notin \mathcal{I}$ for every  $U \in \tau(x)\}$  where  $\tau(x) = \{U \in \tau \mid x \in U\}$ . A Kuratowski closure operator  $\mathrm{cl}^*(\bullet)$  for a topology  $\tau^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$ , called the \*-topology and finer than  $\tau$ , is defined by  $\mathrm{cl}^*(A) = A \cup A^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$  [18]. We will simply write A\* for  $A^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$  and  $\tau^*$  for  $\tau^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$ . If  $\mathcal{I}$  is an ideal on X, then  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is called an ideal topological space. On the other hand,  $(A, \tau_A, \mathcal{I}_A)$  where  $\tau_A$  is the relative topology on A and  $\mathcal{I}_A = \{A \cap J : J \in \mathcal{I}\}$  is an ideal topological space for an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  and  $A \subseteq$ X [7]. For a subset  $A \subseteq X$ ,  $\mathrm{cl}^*(A)$  and  $\mathrm{int}^*(A)$  will, respectively, denote the closure and the interior of A in  $(X, \tau^*)$ .

**Definition 1.2.** A subset G of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be

- 1.  $\mathcal{I}_q$ -closed [2] if  $G^* \subseteq H$  whenever  $G \subseteq H$  and H is open in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ .
- 2.  $\mathcal{I}_{rq}$ -closed [11] if  $G^* \subseteq H$  whenever  $G \subseteq H$  and H is regular open in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ .
- 3.  $\mathcal{I}_{\pi q}$ -closed [13] if  $G^* \subseteq H$  whenever  $G \subseteq H$  and H is  $\pi$ -open in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ .
- 4. pre<sup>\*</sup><sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-open [5] if G  $\subseteq$  int<sup>\*</sup>(cl(G)).
- 5. pre $^*_{\mathcal{I}}$ -closed [5] if X\G is pre $^*_{\mathcal{I}}$ -open.
- 6.  $\mathcal{I}$ -R closed [1] if  $G = cl^*(int(G))$ .
- 7. \*-closed [7] if  $G = cl^*(G)$  or  $G^* \subseteq G$ .

**Remark 1.3.** [6] In any ideal topological space, every  $\mathcal{I}$ -R closed set is \*-closed but not conversely.

**Definition 1.4.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space. A subset G of X is said to be

- 1. a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_g$ -closed set [14] if  $(int(G))^* \subseteq H$  whenever  $G \subseteq H$  and H is an open set in X.
- 2. a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{\pi g}$ -closed set [15] if  $(int(G))^* \subseteq H$  whenever  $G \subseteq H$  and H is a  $\pi$ -open set in X.
- 3. a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{rg}$ -closed set [6] if  $(int(G))^* \subseteq H$  whenever  $G \subseteq H$  and H is a regular open set in X.

**Remark 1.5.** [3] The following holds in any topological space:

regular open set  $\Rightarrow \pi$ -open set  $\Rightarrow \delta$ -open set  $\Rightarrow$  open set.

These implications are not reversible.

## 2 Properties of Weakly $\mathcal{I}_{q\delta}$ -closed Sets

**Definition 2.1.** A subset G of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be

- 1.  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed if  $G^* \subseteq H$  whenever  $G \subseteq H$  and H is  $\delta$ -open in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ .
- 2. weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed if  $(int(G))^* \subseteq H$  whenever  $G \subseteq H$  and H is  $\delta$ -open in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ .

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and  $G \subseteq X$ . The following properties are equivalent:

- 1. G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{q\delta}$ -closed set,
- 2.  $cl^*(int(G)) \subseteq H$  whenever  $G \subseteq H$  and H is a  $\delta$ -open set in X.

*Proof.*  $(1) \Rightarrow (2)$ : Let G be a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ . Suppose that  $G \subseteq$ H and H is a  $\delta$ -open set in X. We have  $(int(G))^* \subseteq H$ . Since  $int(G) \subseteq G \subseteq H$ , then  $(int(G))^* \cup int(G) \subseteq H$ . This implies that  $cl^*(int(G)) \subseteq H$ .

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$ : Let  $cl^*(int(G)) \subseteq H$  whenever  $G \subseteq H$  and H is a  $\delta$ -open in X. Since  $(int(G))^* \cup int(G) \subseteq H$ , then  $(int(G))^* \subseteq H$  whenever  $G \subseteq H$  and H is a  $\delta$ -open set in X. Therefore G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{q\delta}$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and  $G \subseteq X$ . If G is  $\delta$ -open and weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed, then G is \*-closed.

*Proof.* Let G be a  $\delta$ -open and weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ . Since G is  $\delta$ -open and weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed,  $cl^*(G) = cl^*(int(G)) \subseteq G$ . Thus, G is a \*-closed set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ .

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and  $G \subseteq X$ . If G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set, then  $(int(G))^* \setminus G$  contains no any nonempty  $\delta$ -closed set.

Proof. Let G be a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ . Suppose that H is a  $\delta$ -closed set such that  $H \subseteq (int(G))^* \backslash G$ . Since G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set,  $X \backslash H$  is  $\delta$ -open and  $G \subseteq X \backslash H$ , then  $(int(G))^* \subseteq X \backslash H$ . We have  $H \subseteq X \backslash (int(G))^*$ . Hence,  $H \subseteq (Int(G))^* \cap (X \backslash (int(G))^*) = \emptyset$ . Thus,  $(int(G))^* \backslash G$  contains no any nonempty  $\delta$ -closed set.

**Theorem 2.5.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and  $G \subseteq X$ . If G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{q\delta}$ -closed set, then  $cl^*(int(G))\backslash G$  contains no any nonempty  $\delta$ -closed set.

*Proof.* Suppose that H is a  $\delta$ -closed set such that  $H \subseteq cl^*(int(G))\backslash G$ . By Theorem 2.4, it follows from the fact that  $cl^*(int(G))\backslash G = ((int(G))^* \cup int(G))\backslash G$ .

**Theorem 2.6.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space. The following properties are equivalent:

- 1. G is pre<sup>\*</sup><sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-closed for each weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{q\delta}$ -closed set G in (X,  $\tau$ ,  $\mathcal{I}$ ),
- 2. Each singleton  $\{x\}$  of X is a  $\delta$ -closed set or  $\{x\}$  is pre<sup>\*</sup><sub>I</sub>-open.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) : Let G be pre<sup>\*</sup><sub>I</sub>-closed for each weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set G in (X,  $\tau$ ,  $\mathcal{I}$ ) and  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{X}$ . We have  $\mathrm{cl}^*(\mathrm{int}(\mathbf{G})) \subseteq \mathbf{G}$  for each weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set G in (X,  $\tau$ ,  $\mathcal{I}$ ). Assume that {x} is not a  $\delta$ -closed set. It follows that X is the only  $\delta$ -open set containing X\{x}. Then, X\{x} is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set in (X,  $\tau$ ,  $\mathcal{I}$ ). Thus,  $\mathrm{cl}^*(\mathrm{int}(X\setminus\{x\})) \subseteq X\setminus\{x\}$  and hence {x}  $\subseteq \mathrm{int}^*(\mathrm{cl}(\{x\}))$ . Consequently, {x} is pre<sup>\*</sup><sub>I</sub>-open.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$ : Let G be a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ . Let  $x \in cl^*(int(G))$ .

Suppose that  $\{x\}$  is  $\operatorname{pre}_{\mathcal{I}}^*$ -open. We have  $\{x\} \subseteq \operatorname{int}^*(\operatorname{cl}(\{x\}))$ . Since  $x \in \operatorname{cl}^*(\operatorname{int}(G))$ , then  $\operatorname{int}^*(\operatorname{cl}(\{x\})) \cap \operatorname{int}(G) \neq \emptyset$ . It follows that  $\operatorname{cl}(\{x\}) \cap \operatorname{int}(G) \neq \emptyset$ . We have  $\operatorname{cl}(\{x\} \cap \operatorname{int}(G)) \neq \emptyset$  and then  $\{x\} \cap \operatorname{int}(G) \neq \emptyset$ . Hence,  $x \in \operatorname{int}(G)$ . Thus, we have  $x \in G$ .

Suppose that  $\{x\}$  is a  $\delta$ -closed set. By Theorem 2.5,  $cl^*(int(G))\setminus G$  does not contain  $\{x\}$ . Since  $x \in cl^*(int(G))$ , then we have  $x \in G$ . Consequently, we have  $x \in G$ .

Thus,  $cl^*(int(G)) \subseteq G$  and hence G is  $pre^*_{\mathcal{I}}$ -closed.

**Theorem 2.7.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and  $G \subseteq X$ . If  $cl^*(int(G)) \setminus G$  contains no any nonempty \*-closed set, then G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set.

Proof. Suppose that  $cl^*(int(G))\backslash G$  contains no any nonempty \*-closed set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ . Let  $G \subseteq H$  and H be a  $\delta$ -open set. Assume that  $cl^*(int(G))$  is not contained in H. It follows that  $cl^*(int(G))\cap(X\backslash H)$  is a nonempty \*-closed subset of  $cl^*(int(G))\backslash G$ . This is a contradiction. Hence G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{q\delta}$ -closed set.

**Theorem 2.8.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and  $G \subseteq X$ . If G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set, then  $int(G) = H \setminus K$  where H is  $\mathcal{I}$ -R closed and K contains no any nonempty  $\delta$ -closed set.

Proof. Let G be a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ . Take  $K = (int(G))^* \backslash G$ . Then, by Theorem 2.4, K contains no any nonempty  $\delta$ -closed set. Take  $H = cl^*(int(G))$ . Then  $H = cl^*(int(H))$ . Moreover, we have  $H \backslash K = ((int(G))^* \cup int(G)) \backslash ((int(G))^* \backslash G)$  $= ((int(G))^* \cup int(G)) \cap (X \backslash (int(G))^* \cup G) = int(G)$ .

**Theorem 2.9.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and  $G \subseteq X$ . Assume that G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set. The following properties are equivalent:

- 1. G is  $\operatorname{pre}^*_{\mathcal{I}}$ -closed,
- 2.  $cl^*(int(G)) \setminus G$  is a  $\delta$ -closed set,
- 3.  $(int(G))^* \setminus G$  is a  $\delta$ -closed set.

*Proof.*  $(1) \Rightarrow (2)$ : Let G be pre<sup>\*</sup><sub>*I*</sub>-closed. We have  $cl^*(int(G)) \subseteq G$ . Then,  $cl^*(int(G)) \setminus G = \emptyset$ . Thus,  $cl^*(int(G)) \setminus G$  is a  $\delta$ -closed set.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$ : Let  $cl^*(int(G)) \setminus G$  be a  $\delta$ -closed set. Since G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ , then by Theorem 2.5,  $cl^*(int(G)) \setminus G = \emptyset$ . Hence, we have  $cl^*(int(G)) \subseteq G$ . Thus, G is pre<sup>\*</sup><sub>\mathcal{I}</sub>-closed.

(2)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (3) : It follows easily from that  $cl^*(int(G))\backslash G = (int(G))^*\backslash G$ .

**Theorem 2.10.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and  $G \subseteq X$  be a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set. Then  $G \cup (X \setminus (int(G))^*)$  is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ .

Proof. Let G be a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ . Suppose that H is a  $\delta$ -open set such that  $G \cup (X \setminus (int(G))^*) \subseteq H$ . We have  $X \setminus H \subseteq X \setminus (G \cup (X \setminus (int(G))^*)) =$  $(X \setminus G) \cap (int(G))^* = (int(G))^* \setminus G$ . Since  $X \setminus H$  is a  $\delta$ -closed set and G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set, it follows from Theorem 2.4 that  $X \setminus H = \emptyset$ . Hence, X = H. Thus, X is the only  $\delta$ -open set containing  $G \cup (X \setminus (int(G))^*)$ . Consequently,  $G \cup (X \setminus (int(G))^*)$ is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ .

**Corollary 2.11.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and  $G \subseteq X$  be a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set. Then  $(int(G))^* \setminus G$  is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ .

*Proof.* Since  $X \setminus ((int(G))^* \setminus G) = G \cup (X \setminus (int(G))^*)$ , it follows from Theorem 2.10 that  $(int(G))^* \setminus G$  is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ .

**Theorem 2.12.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and  $G \subseteq X$ . The following properties are equivalent:

- 1. G is a \*-closed and  $\delta$ -open set,
- 2. G is  $\mathcal{I}$ -R closed and  $\delta$ -open set,
- 3. G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{q\delta}$ -closed and  $\delta$ -open set.

*Proof.*  $(1) \Rightarrow (2) \Rightarrow (3)$ : Obvious.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) : Since G is  $\delta$ -open and weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed,  $cl^*(int(G)) \subseteq G$  and so G =  $cl^*(int(G))$ . Then G is  $\mathcal{I}$ -R closed and hence it is \*-closed.

**Proposition 2.13.** Every  $\operatorname{pre}^*_{\mathcal{I}}$ -closed set is weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{q\delta}$ -closed but not conversely.

*Proof.* Let  $H \subseteq G$  and G be a  $\delta$ -open set in X. Since H is  $\operatorname{pre}_{\mathcal{I}}^*$ -closed,  $\operatorname{cl}^*(\operatorname{int}(H)) \subseteq H \subseteq G$ . Hence H is weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{q\delta}$ -closed set.

**Example 2.14.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space such that  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{c\}\}$ . Then  $\{a, c\}$  is weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set but not pre<sup>\*</sup><sub>*I*</sub>-closed.

#### **3** Further Properties

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space. The following properties are equivalent:

- 1. Each subset of  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set,
- 2. G is  $\operatorname{pre}^*_{\mathcal{I}}$ -closed for each  $\delta$ -open set G in X.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) : Suppose that each subset of  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set. Let G be a  $\delta$ -open set in X. Since G is weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed, then we have  $cl^*(int(G)) \subseteq G$ . Thus, G is pre<sup>\*</sup><sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-closed.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$ : Let G be a subset of  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  and H be a  $\delta$ -open set such that G  $\subseteq$  H. By (2), we have  $cl^*(int(G)) \subseteq cl^*(int(H)) \subseteq$  H. Thus, G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space. If G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set and  $G \subseteq H \subseteq cl^*(int(G))$ , then H is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set.

*Proof.* Let  $H \subseteq K$  and K be a  $\delta$ -open set in X. Since  $G \subseteq K$  and G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set, then  $cl^*(int(G)) \subseteq K$ . Since  $H \subseteq cl^*(int(G))$ , then  $cl^*(int(H)) \subseteq cl^*(int(G)) \subseteq K$ . Thus,  $cl^*(int(H)) \subseteq K$  and hence, H is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set.

**Corollary 3.3.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space. If G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed and open set, then  $cl^*(G)$  is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set.

*Proof.* Let G be a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed and open set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ . We have  $G \subseteq cl^*(G) \subseteq cl^*(G) = cl^*(int(G))$ . Hence, by Theorem 3.2,  $cl^*(G)$  is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ .

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and  $G \subseteq X$ . If G is a nowhere dense set, then G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set.

*Proof.* Let G be a nowhere dense set in X. Since  $int(G) \subseteq int(cl(G))$ , then  $int(G) = \emptyset$ . Hence,  $cl^*(int(G)) = \emptyset$ . Thus, G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{q\delta}$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ .

**Remark 3.5.** The reverse of Theorem 3.4 is not true in general as shown in the following example.

**Example 3.6.** In Example 2.14,  $\{a, c\}$  is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set but not a nowhere dense set.

**Remark 3.7.** The intersection of two weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed sets in an ideal topological space need not be a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set.

**Example 3.8.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space such that  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}, \tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{d\}\}$ . Then  $A = \{a, b, d\}$  and  $B = \{a, b, c\}$  are weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed sets but their intersection  $\{a, b\}$  is not a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set.

**Theorem 3.9.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and  $G \subseteq X$ . Then G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open set if and only if  $H \subseteq int^*(cl(G))$  whenever  $H \subseteq G$  and H is a  $\delta$ -closed set.

*Proof.* Let H be a  $\delta$ -closed set in X and H  $\subseteq$  G. It follows that X\H is a  $\delta$ -open set and X\G  $\subseteq$  X\H. Since X\G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set, then  $cl^*(int(X\setminus G)) \subseteq$  X\H. We have X\int^\*(cl(G))  $\subseteq$  X\H. Thus, H  $\subseteq$  int\*(cl(G)).

Conversely, let K be a  $\delta$ -open set in X and X\G  $\subseteq$  K. Since X\K is a  $\delta$ -closed set such that X\K  $\subseteq$  G, then X\K  $\subseteq$  int\*(cl(G)). We have X\int\*(cl(G)) = cl\*(int(X\G))  $\subseteq$  K. Thus, X\G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set. Hence, G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open set in (X,  $\tau, \mathcal{I}$ ).

**Theorem 3.10.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and  $G \subseteq X$ . If G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set, then  $cl^*(int(G))\backslash G$  is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ .

Proof. Let G be a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ . Suppose that H is a  $\delta$ -closed set such that  $H \subseteq cl^*(int(G)) \setminus G$ . Since G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set, it follows from Theorem 2.5 that  $H = \emptyset$ . Thus, we have  $H \subseteq int^*(cl(cl^*(int(G)) \setminus G))$ . It follows from Theorem 3.9 that  $cl^*(int(G)) \setminus G$  is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ .

**Theorem 3.11.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and  $G \subseteq X$ . If G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open set, then H = X whenever H is a  $\delta$ -open set and  $int^*(cl(G)) \cup (X \setminus G) \subseteq H$ .

*Proof.* Let H be a  $\delta$ -open set in X and  $int^*(cl(G)) \cup (X\backslash G) \subseteq H$ . We have  $X\backslash H \subseteq (X\backslash int^*(cl(G))) \cap G = cl^*(int(X\backslash G))\backslash (X\backslash G)$ . Since  $X\backslash H$  is a  $\delta$ -closed set and  $X\backslash G$  is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set, it follows from Theorem 2.5 that  $X\backslash H = \emptyset$ . Thus, we have H = X.

**Theorem 3.12.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space. If G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open set and  $\operatorname{int}^*(\operatorname{cl}(G)) \subseteq H \subseteq G$ , then H is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open set.

Proof. Let G be a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open set and  $\operatorname{int}^*(\operatorname{cl}(G)) \subseteq H \subseteq G$ . Since  $\operatorname{int}^*(\operatorname{cl}(G)) \subseteq H \subseteq G$ , then  $\operatorname{int}^*(\operatorname{cl}(G)) = \operatorname{int}^*(\operatorname{cl}(H))$ . Let K be a  $\delta$ -closed set and K  $\subseteq$  H. We have K  $\subseteq$  G. Since G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open set, it follows from Theorem 3.9 that K  $\subseteq \operatorname{int}^*(\operatorname{cl}(G)) = \operatorname{int}^*(\operatorname{cl}(H))$ . Hence, by Theorem 3.9, H is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ .

**Corollary 3.13.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and  $G \subseteq X$ . If G is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open and closed set, then int<sup>\*</sup>(G) is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open set.

*Proof.* Let G be a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open and closed set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ . Then  $int^*(cl(G)) = int^*(G) \subseteq int^*(G) \subseteq G$ . Thus, by Theorem 3.12,  $int^*(G)$  is a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open set in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ .

**Definition 3.14.** A subset A of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is called  $Q_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set if  $A = M \cup N$  where M is  $\delta$ -closed and N is pre<sup>\*</sup><sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-open.

**Remark 3.15.** Every  $\operatorname{pre}^*_{\mathcal{I}}$ -open (resp.  $\delta$ -closed) set is  $Q_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set but not conversely.

**Example 3.16.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space such that  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}, \tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{d\}\}$ . Then  $\{b, d\}$  is a  $Q_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set but it is neither pre<sup>\*</sup><sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-open nor  $\delta$ -closed.

**Theorem 3.17.** For a subset H of  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ , the following are equivalent.

- 1. H is  $\text{pre}^*_{\mathcal{I}}$ -open.
- 2. H is a  $Q_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set and weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{q\delta}$ -open.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): By Remark 3.15, H is a Q<sub>*I*</sub>-set. By Proposition 2.13, H is weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{a\delta}$ -open.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$ : Let H be a  $Q_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set and weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open. Then there exist a  $\delta$ -closed set M and a pre<sup>\*</sup><sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-open set N such that  $H = M \cup N$ . Since  $M \subseteq H$  and H is weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open, by Theorem 3.9,  $M \subseteq int^*(cl(H))$ . Also, we have  $N \subseteq int^*(cl(N))$ . Since  $N \subseteq H$ ,  $N \subseteq int^*(cl(N)) \subseteq int^*(cl(H))$ . Then  $H = M \cup N \subseteq int^*(cl(H))$ . So H is pre<sup>\*</sup><sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-open.

The following example shows that the concepts of weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open set and  $Q_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set are independent.

**Example 3.18.** In Example 3.16, {c} is weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open set but not  $Q_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set. Also {d} is  $Q_{\mathcal{I}}$ -set but not weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open set.

**Remark 3.19.** The following diagram holds for any ideal topological space:

 $\begin{array}{cccc} \mathcal{I}_{g\delta}\text{-closed set} & \longrightarrow & \text{weakly } \mathcal{I}_{g\delta}\text{-closed set} \\ & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{I}_{rg}\text{-closed set} & \longrightarrow & \text{weakly } \mathcal{I}_{rg}\text{-closed set} \end{array}$ 

None of the implications is reversible as shown in the following examples and in [6].

**Example 3.20.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space such that  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}, \tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ . Then  $\{a, b\}$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{rg}$ -closed set but not  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed.

**Example 3.21.** In Example 3.20, {a, b} is weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{rg}$ -closed set but not weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed.

**Example 3.22.** In Example 3.20,  $\{c\}$  is weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed set but not  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed.

### 4 $g\delta$ -pre<sup>\*</sup><sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-normal Spaces

**Definition 4.1.** An ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be  $g\delta$ -pre<sup>\*</sup><sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-normal if for every pair of disjoint  $\delta$ -closed subsets A, B of X, there exist disjoint pre<sup>\*</sup><sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-open sets U, V of X such that  $A \subseteq U$  and  $B \subseteq V$ .

**Theorem 4.2.** The following properties are equivalent for a space  $(X, \tau, I)$ .

- 1. X is  $g\delta$ -pre<sup>\*</sup><sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-normal;
- 2. for any disjoint  $\delta$ -closed sets A and B, there exist disjoint weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open sets U, V of X such that  $A \subseteq U$  and  $B \subseteq V$ ;
- 3. for any  $\delta$ -closed set A and any  $\delta$ -open set B containing A, there exists a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open set U such that  $A \subseteq U \subseteq cl^*(int(U)) \subseteq B$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): The proof is obvious.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$ : Let A be any  $\delta$ -closed set of X and B any  $\delta$ -open set of X such that  $A \subseteq B$ . Then A and X\B are disjoint  $\delta$ -closed sets of X. By (2), there exist disjoint weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open sets U, V of X such that  $A \subseteq U$  and X\B  $\subseteq$  V. Since V is weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open set, by Theorem 3.9, X\B  $\subseteq$  int\*(cl(V)) and U $\cap$ int\*(cl(V)) =  $\emptyset$ . Therefore we obtain cl\*(int(U))  $\subseteq$  cl\*(int(X\V)) and hence  $A \subseteq U \subseteq$  cl\*(int(U))  $\subseteq$  B.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Let A and B be any disjoint  $\delta$ -closed sets of X. Then  $A \subseteq X \setminus B$  and X \B is  $\delta$ -open and hence there exists a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open set G of X such that  $A \subseteq G \subseteq cl^*(int(G)) \subseteq X \setminus B$ . Put U = int\*(cl(G)) and V = X \cl\*(int(G)). Then U and V are disjoint pre\*<sub>\mathcal{I}</sub>-open sets of X such that  $A \subseteq U$  and  $B \subseteq V$ . Therefore X is  $g\delta$ -pre\*<sub>\mathcal{I}</sub>-normal.

**Definition 4.3.** A function  $f: (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \to (Y, \sigma)$  is said to be weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{q\delta}$ -closed in X for every closed set V of Y.

**Definition 4.4.** A function  $f: (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \to (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{J})$  is called weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -irresolute if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -closed in X for every weakly  $\mathcal{J}_{g\delta}$ -closed of Y.

**Definition 4.5.** A function  $f: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$  is said to be  $\delta$ -closed [4, 12] if f(V) is  $\delta$ -closed in Y for every  $\delta$ -closed set V of X.

**Definition 4.6.** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be  $\delta$ -normal if for every pair of disjoint  $\delta$ -closed subsets A, B of X, there exist disjoint open sets U, V of X such that  $A \subseteq U$  and  $B \subseteq V$ .

**Theorem 4.7.** Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -continuous  $\delta$ -closed injection. If Y is  $\delta$ -normal, then X is  $g\delta$ -pre<sup>\*</sup><sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-normal.

Proof. Let A and B be disjoint  $\delta$ -closed sets of X. Since f is  $\delta$ -closed injection, f(A) and f(B) are disjoint  $\delta$ -closed sets of Y. By the  $\delta$ -normality of Y, there exist disjoint open sets U and V in Y such that f(A)  $\subseteq$  U and f(B)  $\subseteq$  V. Since f is weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -continuous, then f<sup>-1</sup>(U) and f<sup>-1</sup>(V) are weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open sets of X such that A  $\subseteq$  f<sup>-1</sup>(U) and B  $\subseteq$  f<sup>-1</sup>(V). Therefore X is  $g\delta$ -pre\* $_{\mathcal{I}}$ -normal by Theorem 4.2.

**Theorem 4.8.** Let  $f : X \to Y$  be a weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -irresolute  $\delta$ -closed injection. If Y is  $g\delta$ -pre<sup>\*</sup><sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-normal, then X is  $g\delta$ -pre<sup>\*</sup><sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-normal.

Proof. Let A and B be disjoint  $\delta$ -closed sets of X. Since f is  $\delta$ -closed injection, f(A) and f(B) are disjoint  $\delta$ -closed sets of Y. Since Y is  $g\delta$ -pre<sup>\*</sup><sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-normal, by Theorem 4.2, there exist disjoint weakly  $\mathcal{J}_{g\delta}$ -open sets U and V in Y such that  $f(A) \subseteq U$  and  $f(B) \subseteq V$ . Since f is weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -irresolute, then  $f^{-1}(U)$  and  $f^{-1}(V)$  are disjoint weakly  $\mathcal{I}_{g\delta}$ -open sets of X such that  $A \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$  and  $B \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$ . Therefore X is  $g\delta$ -pre<sup>\*</sup><sub> $\mathcal{I}$ </sub>-normal.

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