# $I_{s^*g}$ -closed Sets in Ideal Topological Spaces

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#### **Abstract**

In this paper we introduce and study the notion of  $I_{s^*g}$ -closed sets and  $I_{s^*g}$ -open sets in ideal topological spaces. A characterization of  $s^*$ -normal spaces is given in terms of  $I_{s^*g}$ -open sets. It will be seen that  $I_g$ -closed sets and  $I_{s^*g}$ -closed sets coincide in \*-topology as well as in  $T_1$ -spaces.

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#### Introduction

Ideals in topological spaces have been considered since 1930. In 1990, Jankovic and Hamlett [9], once again initiated the application of topological ideals and generalized the most fundamental properties in topological spaces. In this regard, compactness [6,16,18], connectedness, resolvability [5], submaximal spaces, extremally disconnected spaces and separation axioms [1] have been generalized via topological ideals in the recent years.

 $I_g$ -closed sets were first introduced by Dontchev et al. [4] in 1999. Recently, Navaneethakrishnan and Joseph [15] further investigated and characterized  $I_g$ -closed sets and  $I_g$ -open sets and obtained some of their properties. In this paper, we define and characterize  $I_{s^*g}$ -closed sets and  $I_{s^*g}$ -open sets in ideal topological spaces and investigate some of their properties. It will be seen that  $I_g$ -closed sets and  $I_{s^*g}$ -

closed sets coincide in \*-topology as well as in  $T_1$ -spaces. A characterization of  $s^*$ -normal spaces in terms of  $I_{s^*g}$ -open sets is given. It is seen that every  $s^*g$ -closed set is  $I_{s^*g}$ -closed and every  $I_{s^*g}$ -closed set is  $I_g$ -closed. Counter examples are given to show that reverse implications are not true in general.

### **Preliminaries**

An ideal I on a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is a collection of subsets of X which satisfies the following properties:

- (i)  $A \in I$  and  $B \subseteq A$  implies  $B \in I$ .
- (ii)  $A \in I$  and  $B \in I$  implies  $A \cup B \in I$ .

 $(X, \tau, I)$  represents the topological space with an ideal I. Let P(X) be the set of all subsets of X, a set operator  $()^*: P(X) \to P(X)$ , called the local function [11] of A with respect to τ and I, is defined as follows:  $A \subset X$ .  $A^*(I,\tau) = \{x \in X \mid U \cap A \notin I \text{ for every open set } U \text{ containing } x\}$ . We simply write  $A^*$ instead of  $A^*(I,\tau)$  in case there is no confusion.  $X^*$  is often a proper subset of X. For every ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, I)$ , there exists a topology  $\tau^*(I)$ , finer than  $\tau$ , generated by  $\beta(I,\tau)=\{U\setminus J:U\in\tau \text{ and }J\in I\}$ . It is known in [9] that  $\beta(I,\tau)$  is not always a topology on X. A subset A of an ideal space  $(X, \tau, I)$  is called  $\tau^*$ -closed [9] or simply \*-closed (resp. \*-dense in it self [7]) if  $A^* \subseteq A$  (resp.  $A \subseteq A^*$ ). A Kuratowski closure operator  $cl^*()$  for a topology  $\tau^*(I,\tau)$ , called the \*-topology, is defined by  $cl^*(A) = A \cup A^*(\tau, I)$  [20]. By a space, we always mean a topological space  $(X,\tau)$  with no separation properties assumed. For a subset A of X, cl(A) (resp. scl(A)) and Int(A) (resp. sInt(A)) denotes the closure (resp. semi-closure) of A and the interior (resp. semi-interior) of A in  $(X,\tau)$ . Similarly  $cl^*(A)$  and  $int^*(A)$  will represent the closure and the interior of A respectively in  $(X, \tau^*)$ .

**Definition 2.1** A subset A of an ideal space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be semi-open [12] if there exists an open set U in X such that  $U \subseteq A \subseteq cl(U)$ .

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\alpha-open [17] if A \subset Int(cl(Int(A))). I_g-closed [4] if A^* \subseteq U whenever A \subseteq U and U is open in X. g-closed [13] if cl(A) \subseteq U whenever A \subseteq U and U is open in X. s^*g-closed [10] if cl(A) \subseteq U whenever A \subseteq U and U is semi-open in X. g\alpha-closed [14] if \alpha cl(A) \subseteq U whenever A \subseteq U and U is \alpha-open in X. gs-closed [2] if scl(A) \subseteq U whenever A \subseteq U and U is open in X.
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The complement of a semi-open (resp.  $\alpha$ -open,  $I_g$ -closed) set is semi-closed (resp.  $\alpha$ -closed,  $I_g$ -open). SO(X) (resp. SC(X,x)) represents the collection of all semi-open sets (resp. semi-closed sets containing x) in X.

# $I_{s,\sigma}$ -closed sets

**Definition 3.1** A subset A of an ideal space  $(X, \tau, I)$  is said to be  $I_{s*g}$ -closed if  $A^* \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is semi-open in X. The complement of an  $I_{s*g}$ -closed set is said to be  $I_{s*g}$ -open.

**Remark 3.1** Every  $I_{s^*g}$  -closed set is  $I_g$  -closed but the converse is not true in general. To see this, let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with  $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a, b\}\}$  and  $I = \{\phi, \{a\}\}$ . Then  $A = \{d\}$  is  $I_g$  -closed set but it is not  $I_{s^*g}$  -closed, since  $A^* = \{c, d\}$  and  $\{a, b, d\}$  is a semi-open set containing A but it is not containing  $A^*$ .

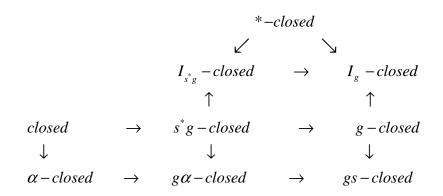
**Remark 3.2** (1) Every \*-closed set is  $I_{s*g}$  -closed but not conversely. To see this, let  $X = \{a,b,c\}$  with  $\tau = \{\phi,X,\{a,b\},\{c\}\}$  and  $I = \{\phi,\{a\},\{c\},\{a,c\}\}$ . Then  $A = \{b,c\}$  is  $I_{s*g}$  -closed but it is not \*-closed.

- (2) Every \*-closed set is  $I_g$ -closed. Converse is true if X is a  $T_1$ -space.
- (3) In  $T_1$ -space,  $I_{s^*g}$  -closed sets and  $I_g$  -closed sets coincide.

#### Remark 3.3

- (1) I is  $I_{s*g}$  -closed in an ideal space  $(X, \tau, I)$ .
- (2)  $A^*$  is  $I_{s^*g}$  -closed for every subset A of  $(X, \tau, I)$ .

**Remark 3.4** The following diagram shows the interrelation between the resulting notion of  $I_{s*_g}$ -closed sets and related concepts. Reverse implications do not hold.



**Remark 3.5** In an ideal space  $(X, \tau, I)$ ,  $I_{s^*g}$ -closed sets are generalization of  $s^*g$ -closed sets which is itself a generalization of the closed set. An  $I_{s^*g}$ -closed set may not be  $s^*g$ -closed. To see this, let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with  $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$  and  $I = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$ . Then  $A = \{a, d\}$  is  $I_{s^*g}$ -closed set but it is not  $s^*g$ -closed. Since  $\{a, b, d\}$  is a semi-open set containing A but it is not containing cl(A). An  $I_{s^*g}$ -closed set is  $s^*g$ -closed if  $I = \{\phi\}$ .

**Theorem 3.1** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal space and A a non-empty subset of X. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) A is  $I_{s*_g}$ -closed.
- (2)  $cl^*(A) \subseteq U$  for every semi-open set U containing A.
- (3) For all  $x \in cl^*(A)$ ,  $scl(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ .
- (4)  $cl^*(A) A$  contains no non empty semi-closed set.
- (5)  $A^* A$  contains no non empty semi-closed set.

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let A be an  $I_{s^*g}$ -closed set. Then clearly  $cl^*(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is semi-open in X.

- (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3). Suppose  $x \in cl^*(A)$ . If  $scl(\{x\}) \cap A = \phi$ , then  $A \subseteq X scl(\{x\})$  where  $X scl(\{x\})$  is a semi-open set. By (2),  $cl^*(A) \subseteq X scl(\{x\})$ . This contradicts the fact that  $x \in cl^*(A)$ . Hence  $scl(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \phi$ . This proves (3).
- (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4). Suppose  $F \subseteq cl^*(A) A$  where  $F \in SC(X, x)$ . Since  $F \subset X A$  and  $\{x\} \subseteq F$ . This implies  $scl\{x\} \subseteq F$  and  $scl(\{x\}) \cap A = \emptyset$ . Since  $x \in cl^*(A)$ , by (3)  $scl(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ , a contradiction. This proves (4).
- (4)  $\Rightarrow$  (5). Assume that  $F \subseteq A^* A$  where  $F \in SC(X)$  and  $F \neq \emptyset$ . This gives  $F \subseteq cl^*(A) A$ . This contradicts (4).
- $(5)\Rightarrow (1)$  Let  $A\subseteq U$  where  $U\in SO(X)$  such that  $A^*\not\subset U$ . This gives  $A^*\cap (X-U)\neq \phi$  or  $A^*-[X-(X-U)]\neq \phi$ . This gives  $A^*-U\neq \phi$ . Moreover,  $A^*-U=A^*\cap (X-U)$  is semi-closed in X since  $A^*=cl(A^*)$  is closed in X by [9, Theorem 2.3(c)] and  $(X-U)\in SC(X)$ . Also  $A^*-U\subseteq A^*-A$ . This gives that  $A^*-A$  contains a non empty semi-closed set. This contradicts (5). This completes the proof.

**Theorem 3.2** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal space and A be a  $I_{s*g}$ -closed set. Then following statements are equivalent:

- (1) A is \*-closed set.
- (2)  $cl^*(A) A$  is a semi-closed set.

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(3)  $A^* - A$  is a semi-closed set.

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let A be \*-closed set. Then  $A^* - A = \phi$ . Now  $A^* - A = cl^*(A) - A$  gives  $cl^*(A) - A = \phi$ . This proves that  $cl^*(A) - A$  is semi-closed set.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$ . This is trivial.

 $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$ . Let  $A^* - A$  be a semi-closed set. Now A is  $I_{s^*g}$ -closed and by Theorem 2.1(5),  $A^* - A$  contains no non-empty semi-closed set, therefore  $A^* - A = \phi$ . This proves  $A^* \subset A$  and hence A is \*-closed.

**Theorem 3.3** In an ideal space  $(X, \tau, I)$ , an  $I_{s*g}$ -closed and \*-dense set in-itself is s\*g-closed.

**Proof.** Suppose A is \*-dense in itself and  $I_{s^*g}$  -closed in X. Let U be any semi-open set containing A, then by Theorem 2.1 (2)  $cl^*(A) \subset U$ . Since A is \*-dense in itself,  $A \subset A^*$ . By [19, Theorem 5]  $A^* = cl(A^*) = cl(A) = cl^*(A)$ . We get  $cl(A) \subset U$  whenever  $A \subset U$ . This proves that A is  $s^*g$  -closed.

**Corollary 3.1** Let *A* be a semi-open and  $I_{s*g}$  -closed subset of an ideal space  $(X, \tau, I)$  where *I* is codense in *X*. Then *A* is s\*g -closed.

**Proof.** By [19, Theorem 3], A is \*-dense in itself and hence by Theorem 2.3, A is  $s^*g$ -closed.

**Theorem 3.4** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal space. If A and B are subsets of X such that  $A \subset B \subset cl^*(A)$  and A is  $I_{s*g}$ -closed then B is  $I_{s*g}$ -closed.

**Proof.** Since A is  $I_{s*g}$ -closed set, by the Theorem 2.1(5),  $cl^*(A) - A$  contains no non-empty semi-closed set. Since,  $A \subset B \subset cl^*(A)$  implies,  $cl^*(B) - B \subset cl^*(A) - A$ . So  $cl^*(B) - B$  contains no non-empty semi-closed set. By Theorem 2.1(4), B is  $I_{s*g}$ -closed.

**Theorem 3.5** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal space and  $A \subseteq X$ . Then A is  $I_{s*g}$ -closed if and only if A = F - N, where F is \*-closed and N contains no non-empty semiclosed set.

**Proof.** If A is  $I_{s*g}$  -closed set then by the Theorem 2.1(5),  $N = A^* - A$  contains no

non-empty semi-closed set. Let  $F = cl^*(A)$ , then F is \*-closed set and  $F - N = (A \cup A^*) - (A^* - A) = A$ .

Conversely, let U be any semi-open set in X containing A, then  $F-N\subseteq U$  implies  $F\cap (X-U)\subseteq F\cap [X-(F\cap N')]=F\cap [(X-F)\cup N]=F\cap N\subseteq N$ . By hypothesis  $A\subseteq F$  and  $F^*\subset F$  as F is \*-closed gives  $A^*\cap (X-U)\subset F^*\cap (X-U)\subset F\cap (X-U)\subset N$ , where  $A^*\cap (X-U)$  is a semi-closed set. By hypothesis  $A^*\cap (X-U)=\phi$  or  $A^*\subseteq U$  implies A is  $I_{s*g}$ -closed set.

**Lemma 3.1** [4, Lemma 2.6] If *A* and *B* are subsets of an ideal space  $(X, \tau, I)$ , then  $(A \cap B)^* \subseteq A^* \cap B^*$ .

**Theorem 3.6** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal space. If A is  $I_{s*_g}$ -closed and B is \*-closed in X, then  $A \cap B$  is  $I_{s*_g}$ -closed.

**Proof.** Let U be a semi-open set in X containing  $A \cap B$ . Then  $A \subseteq U \cup (X - B)$ . Since A is  $I_{s^*g}$ -closed, therefore  $A^* \subseteq U \cup (X - B)$  or  $B \cap A^* \subseteq U$ . Using Lemma 2.1,  $(A \cap B)^* \subseteq A^* \cap B^* \subseteq A^* \cap B \subseteq U$  because B is \*-closed. This proves that  $A \cap B$  is  $I_{s^*g}$ -closed.

**Theorem 3.7** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal space and A a non empty subset of X. A is  $I_{s^*g}$  -open if and only if  $F \subseteq \operatorname{int}^*(A)$  whenever  $F \subseteq A$  and  $F \in SC(X)$ .

**Proof.** Suppose A is  $I_{s^*g}$ -open set and  $F \subseteq A$ , where  $F \in SC(X)$ . Then  $X - A \subset X - F$ .

By Theorem 3.1(2),  $cl^*(X-A) \subseteq X-F$ . This proves  $F \subseteq \operatorname{int}^*(A)$ . Conversely, Let U be any semi-open set containing X-A. Then  $X-U \subseteq A$ . By hypothesis,  $X-U \subseteq \operatorname{int}^*(A)$ . This implies  $cl^*(X-A) \subseteq U$ . By Theorem 3.1(1) X-A is  $I_{s*g}$ -closed or A is  $I_{s*g}$ -open.

**Theorem 3.8** Let A be an  $I_{s*_g}$ -open set in an ideal space  $(X, \tau, I)$  and  $\operatorname{int}^*(A) \subset B \subset A$ . Then B is  $I_{s*_g}$ -open.

**Proof.** Let F be any semi-closed set in X contained in B. Then  $F \subseteq A$ . Since A is  $I_{s^*g}$ -open. Therefore, by Theorem 3.7,  $F \subseteq \operatorname{int}^*(A)$ . But  $\operatorname{int}^*(A) \subseteq \operatorname{int}^*(B)$ , implies  $F \subseteq \operatorname{int}^*(B)$ . By Theorem 3.7, B is  $I_{s^*g}$ -open.

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**Theorem 3.9** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal space and A a non empty subset of X. Then A is  $I_{s*_g}$ -closed if and only if  $A \cup (X - A^*)$  is  $I_{s*_g}$ -closed.

**Proof.** Suppose A is  $I_{s*g}$ -closed. Let U be a semi-open set such that  $A \cup (X - A^*) \subset U$ . Then  $X - U \subset X - (A \cup (X - A^*)) = A^* - A$ .

Since A is  $I_{s*g}$ -closed, by Theorem 2.1(5),  $X-U=\phi$  and hence X=U. Thus X is the only set containing  $A\cup (X-A^*)$ . This gives  $[A\cup (X-A^*)]^*\subset X$ . This proves  $A\cup (X-A^*)$  is  $I_{s*g}$ -closed.

Conversely, let F be any semi-closed set such that  $F \subset A^* - A$ . Since  $A^* - A = X - (A \cup (X - A^*))$ . This gives  $A \cup (X - A^*) \subset X - F$  and X - F is semi-open. By hypothesis,  $(A \cup (X - A^*))^* = X - F$  and hence  $F \subset X - A^*$ . Since  $F \subset A^* - A$  it proves that  $F = \phi$  and hence  $A^* \subset X - F \in SO(X)$ . This proves that A is  $I_{s^*g}$ -closed.

**Theorem 3.10** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal space and  $A \subseteq X$ . Then  $A \cup (X - A^*)$  is  $I_{s*g}$  -closed if and only if  $A^* - A$  is  $I_{s*g}$  -open.

**Proof.** Let  $A \cup (X - A^*)$  be  $I_{s^*g}$ -closed. We show that  $X - (A^* - A)$  is  $I_{s^*g}$ -closed. Let U a be semi-open set containing  $X - (A^* - A)$ . Then  $X - U \subseteq A^* - A$ . By Theorem 2.1(5),  $X - U = \phi$ . Therefore X is the only semi-open set which contains

 $X-(A^*-A)$  and hence  $(X-(A^*-A))^* \subseteq X$ . This proves  $X-(A^*-A)$  is  $I_{s^*g}$ -closed or  $A^*-A$  is  $I_{s^*g}$ -open.

Conversely, let  $A^* - A$  be  $I_{s^*g}$ -open. Then  $X - (A^* - A) = A \cup (X - A^*)$  is  $I_{s^*g}$ -closed.

**Corollary 3.2** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal space and  $A \subseteq X$ . Then A is  $I_{s*_g}$ -closed if and only if  $A^* - A$  is  $I_{s*_g}$ -open.

**Theorem 3.11** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal space. Then every subset of X is  $I_{s*g}$  -closed if and only if every semi-open set is \*-closed.

**Proof.** Suppose every subset of X is  $I_{s^*g}$ -closed. Let U be a semi-open set then U is  $I_{s^*g}$ -closed and  $U^* \subset U$ . Hence U is \*-closed.

Conversely, suppose that every semi open set is \*-closed. Let A be non empty subset of X contained in a semi-open set U. Then  $A^* \subset U^*$  implies  $A^* \subset U$ . This

proves that A is  $I_{s*g}$  -closed.

**Example 3.1** Consider  $\Re$  the set of all real numbers with the usual topology. If  $I = P(\Re)$  then  $A^* = \phi$  for every subset A of X or  $A^* \subset A$ . This proves that A is \*-closed.

**Definition 3.2 [10]** The intersection of all semi-open subsets of a space X containing set A is known as semi kernel of A and is denoted by  $s \ker(A)$ .

**Lemma 3.2** A \*-dense in itself subset A of a space X is  $I_{s*g}$ -closed if and only if  $A^* \subseteq s \ker(A)$ .

**Proof.** Assume that an  $I_{s^*g}$  -closed set A is a \*-dense in itself. Then by [19,Theorem 5],  $A^* = cl(A)$ . But  $A^* \subseteq \bigcap \{G : A \subseteq G \text{ and } G \in SO(X)\} = s \ker(A)$ . The converse is trivial.

**Lemma 3.3** [8, Lemma 2] Every singleton  $\{x\}$  in a space X is either no-where dense or preopen.

**Theorem 3.12** Arbitrary intersection of \*-dense in itself,  $I_{s*g}$  -closed sets in an ideal space  $(X, \tau, I)$  is  $I_{s*g}$  -closed.

**Proof.** Let  $\{A_{\alpha}: \alpha \in \Omega\}$  be an arbitrary collection of \*-dense,  $I_{s*g}$ -closed sets in an ideal space  $(X, \tau, I)$  and let  $A = \bigcap A_{\alpha}$ . Let  $x \in A^*$ . In view of Lemma 2.3, we consider the following two cases.

Case 1:  $\{x\}$  is no-where-dense. If  $x \notin A$ , then for some  $j \in \Omega$ , we have  $x \notin A_j$ . Since no-where-dense subsets are semi-closed [3, Theorem 1.3], therefore  $x \notin s \ker(A_j)$ . Again by Lemma 2.2,  $A_j^* \subseteq s \ker(A_j)$ . Since  $A_j$  is \*-dense in itself,  $I_{s*g}$ -closed implies  $x \in A^* = cl(A) \subseteq cl(A_j) \subseteq s \ker(A_j)$ . By contradiction  $x \in A$  and hence  $x \in s \ker(A)$ . This proves that  $A^* \subseteq s \ker(A)$  and hence by Lemma 2.2, A is  $I_{s*g}$ -closed.

**Case2:**  $\{x\}$  is pre-open. Let  $F = Int(Cl(\{x\}))$ . Assume that  $x \notin s \ker(A)$ . Then, there exist a semi-closed set C containing x such that  $C \cap A = \emptyset$ . Now by [3, Theorem 1.2]  $x \in F = Int(Cl(\{x\})) \subseteq Int(Cl(C)) \subseteq C$ . Since F is an open set containing x and  $x \in cl(A) = A^*$ , therefore,  $F \cap A \neq \emptyset$ . Since  $F \subseteq C$  therefore  $C \cap A \neq \emptyset$ . A

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contradiction. Hence  $x \in s \ker(A)$ . By Lemma 2.2, A is  $I_{s*_g}$ -closed.

**Lemma 3.4** [4]Let  $\{A_i : i \in \Omega\}$  be a locally finite family of sets in an ideal space  $(X, \tau, I)$ . Then  $\bigcup_{i \in \Omega} A_i^*(I) = (\bigcup_{i \in \Omega} A_i)^*(I)$ .

**Theorem 3.13** Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal space. If  $\{A_i : i \in \Omega\}$  is a locally finite family of sets and each  $A_i$  is  $I_{s*g}$ -closed in  $(X, \tau, I)$ . Then  $\bigcup_{i \in \Omega} A_i$  is  $I_{s*g}$ -closed.

**Proof.** Let  $\bigcup_{i \in \Omega} A_i \subseteq U$  where U is semi-open set in X. Since for each  $i, A_i$  is  $I_{s*g}$ -closed,  $A_i^* \subseteq U$  for each  $i \in \Omega$ . Hence  $\bigcup_{i \in \Omega} A_i^* \subseteq U$ . Using Lemma 2.4,  $(\bigcup_{i \in \Omega} A_i)^* \subseteq U$ . Hence  $\bigcup_{i \in \Omega} A_i$  is  $I_{s*g}$ -closed.

**Theorem 3.14** Union of two  $I_{s*_g}$  -closed sets is  $I_{s*_g}$  -closed.

**Proof.** Let A, B be  $I_{s^*g}$  -closed sets and W be a semi-closed set such that  $A \cup B \subseteq W$ . This implies  $A^* \subseteq W$  and  $B^* \subseteq W$ . This implies  $A^* \cup B^* = (A \cup B)^* \subseteq W$ . This proves that  $A \cup B$  is  $I_{s^*g}$  -closed set.

**Example 3.2** Let  $X = \mathbb{N}$  and  $\mathcal{T}$  be the cofinite topology. Let  $\{A_n : A_n = \{2,3,...,n+1\}, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a collection of  $I_{s*g}$ -closed sets in X. Then  $\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n = \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\} = A$  (say) having a finite complement is open and hence semi-open but not closed. As  $A^* = cl(A) = \mathbb{N} \not\subset A$  for  $I = \emptyset$ , gives that A is not  $I_{s*g}$ -closed but  $A^* = \emptyset \subseteq A$  for I = P(X). In this case arbitrary union of  $I_{s*g}$ -closed sets is  $I_{s*g}$ -closed.

**Theorem 3.15** Every open set is  $I_{s*_g}$ -open.

**Proof.** Let U be an open set. We need to show U is  $I_{s^*g}$ -open. For this we show that X-U is  $I_{s^*g}$ -closed. Let  $X-U \subset G$  where  $G \in SO(X)$ . Since X-U is closed. So by [9, Theorem 2.3]  $(X-U)^* \subseteq cl(X-U) = X-U$  or  $(X-U)^* \subseteq X-U \subset G$ . This proves that X-U is  $I_{s^*g}$ -closed or U is  $I_{s^*g}$ -open.

**Definition 3.2.** A space X is s\*-normal [10], if for each pair of disjoint semi-closed sets A and B, there exist disjoint open sets U and V such that  $A \subset U$  and  $B \subset V$ .

**Theorem 3.16**Let  $(X, \tau, I)$  be an ideal space where I is completely co dense. Then

the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) X is  $s^*$ -normal.
- (2) For any disjoint semi-closed sets A and B, there exit disjoint  $I_{s*g}$  -open sets U and V containing A and B respectively.
- (3) For any semi-closed set A and semi-open set V containing A there exists an  $I_{s^*g}$ -open set U such that  $A \subset U \subset cl^*(U) \subset V$ .

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) This proof follows from the fact that every open set is  $I_{s^*g}$ -open set. (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) Suppose A is semi-closed and V is a semi-open set containing A. Since A and X-V are disjoint semi-closed sets, there exist disjoint  $I_{s^*g}$ -open sets U and W such that  $A \subset U$  and  $X-V \subset W$ . Since X-V is semi-closed and W is  $I_{s^*g}$ -open By Theorem 2.7,  $X-V \subset \operatorname{int}^*(W)$  and hence  $X-\operatorname{int}^*(W) \subset V$ . Again  $U \cap W = \emptyset$  implies  $U \cap \operatorname{int}^*(W) = \emptyset$  and hence  $cl^*(U) \subset X-\operatorname{int}(W) \subset V$ . Thus U is the required  $I_{s^*g}$ -open set. This implies  $A \subset U \subset cl^*(U) \subset V$ .

 $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$  Let A and B be two disjoint semi-closed subsets of X. By hypothesis there exists an  $I_{s^*g}$ -open set U such that  $A \subset U \subset cl^*(U) \subset X - B$ . Since U is  $I_{s^*g}$ -open set and  $A \subset U$ , by Theorem 2.7,  $A \subset \operatorname{int}^*(U)$ . Since I is completely co-dense, By [19, Theorem 6],  $\tau^* \subset \tau^\alpha$  and so  $\operatorname{int}^*(U)$  and X - cl  $U \in \tau^\alpha$ .

Hence  $A \subset \operatorname{int}^*(U) \subset \operatorname{int}(cl(\operatorname{int}(\operatorname{int}^*(U)))) = G$  and  $B \subset X - cl^*(U) \subset \operatorname{int}(cl(\operatorname{int}(X - cl^*(U)))) = H$ . Hence, G and H are required disjoint open sets containing A and B respectively. This proves (1). This completes the proof.

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