

## Characterizations of $(\alpha p)^*$ - $R_0$ Spaces

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### Abstract

In this paper we introduce  $(\alpha p)^*$ - $R_0$ - spaces and we study some characterization of  $(\alpha p)^*$ - $R_0$  Spaces. We analyse the relation between  $(\alpha p)^*$ - closed sets with already existing closed sets.

**Keywords:**  $(\alpha p)^*$ - closed sets,  $(\alpha p)^*$ - open sets,  $(\alpha p)^*$ - closure,  $(\alpha p)^*$ -  $R_0$  spaces.

### Introduction

Levine [7] introduced generalized closed sets (briefly g-closed sets ) in topological spaces and studied their basic properties. O. Njastad[9] defined  $\alpha$  - closed in 1965. N.Levine [6] introduced the class of semi-closed and semi-open sets in 1963. A. S. Mashhour [7] defined preopen and pre closed sets in 1982. L.Elвина Mary, R.Saranya [6] introduced  $(\alpha p)^*$  - closed sets in 2017. The aim of this paper is to introduce a  $(\alpha p)^*$  -  $R_0$  spaces and we investigate some characterization of  $(\alpha p)^*$  -  $R_0$  - spaces.

### Preliminaries

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

- (i) A semi-open set if  $A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$  and a semi-closed set if  $\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)) \subseteq A$ ,
- (ii) A preopen set if  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$  and a preclosed set if  $\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) \subseteq A$ ,
- (iii) An  $\alpha$ - open set if  $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)))$  and an  $\alpha$  -closed set if  $\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(A))) \subseteq A$ ,
- (iv) A semi-preopen set if  $A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)))$  and a semi-preclosed set if  $\text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(A))) \subseteq A$
- (v) A regular open set if  $A = \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$  and a regular closed set if  $\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) = A$ .

The semi-closure (resp.preclosure , semi-preclosure) of a subset A of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is the intersection of all semi-closed(resp. preclosed ,  $\alpha$ -closed, semi-preclosed) sets that

contain A and is denoted by  $\text{scl}(A)$  (resp. $\text{pcl}(A)$ ,  $\text{Acl}(A)$ ,  $\text{spcl}(A)$ ).

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

- (i) A generalized closed (briefly g-closed) set [10 ] if  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is open in  $(X, \tau)$ ; the compliment of a g-closed set is called a g-open set,
- (ii) A semi-generalized closed (briefly sg-closed) set [2] if  $\text{scl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is semi-open in  $(X, \tau)$ ; the compliment of sg-closed set is called a sg-open set,
- (iii) A generalized semi-closed (briefly gs-closed) set if  $\text{scl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is open in  $(X, \tau)$
- (iv) An  $\alpha$ -generalized closed (briefly  $\alpha$ g-closed) set [ 3 ] if  $\alpha \text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is  $\alpha$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ ,
- (v) A generalized  $\alpha$ -closed (briefly  $\alpha$ g-closed) set [3 ] if  $\alpha \text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is  $\alpha$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$
- (vi) A  $g^*$ - closed set [10 ] if  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is g-open in  $(X, \tau)$ ,
- (vii) A  $g^{**}$ -closed set [8 ] if  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is  $g^*$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ ,
- (viii) A generalized preclosed (briefly gp-closed) set if  $\text{pcl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is open in  $(X, \tau)$ ,
- (ix) A generalized semi-preclosed (briefly gsp-closed) set [ 5] if  $\text{spcl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is open in  $(X, \tau)$
- (x) A generalized pre regular closed (briefly gpr-closed) set [6 ] if  $\text{pcl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is regular open in  $(X, \tau)$ ,
- (xi) A  $g^\#$ -closed set [ 11] if  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is  $\alpha$ g-open in  $(X, \tau)$ ,
- (xii) A generalized  $\alpha^{**}$ -closed (briefly  $\alpha^{**}$ -closed) set [ 3 ] if  $\alpha \text{cl}(A) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(U))$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is  $\alpha$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ ,
- (xiii) A  $\mu^*$ -closed set [ 4] if  $\text{cl}(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is  $\alpha^{**}$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ ,

(xiv) A  $g^*$ -closed set [9] if  $scl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $gs$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

The compliment of the above mentioned sets are called their respective open sets.

### III. $(ap)^*$ - $R_0$ Spaces

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $A \subseteq X$ . Then the  $(ap)^*$ -kernel of  $A$ , denoted by  $(ap)^* - Ker(A)$  is defined to be the set  $(ap)^* - Ker(A) = \bigcap \{U \in (ap)^* O(X, \tau) \mid A \subseteq U\}$ .

**Lemma 3.1:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $x \in X$ . Then,  $y \in (ap)^* - Ker(\{x\})$  if and only if  $x \in (ap)^* - Cl(\{y\})$ .

**Proof:** Assume that  $y \notin Ker(\{x\})$ . Then there exist a  $(ap)^*$ -open set containing  $x$  such that  $y \notin V$ . Therefore, we have  $x \notin (ap)^* - Cl(y)$ . The converse is similarly shown.

**Lemma 3.2.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $A$  a subset of  $X$ . Then,  $(ap)^* - Ker(A) = \{x \in X \mid (ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \emptyset\}$ .

**Proof:** Let  $x \in (ap)^* - Ker(A)$  and  $(ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) \cap A = \emptyset$ . Therefore,  $x \in X - (ap)^* - Cl(\{x\})$  which is a  $(ap)^*$ -open set containing  $A$ . But this is impossible, since  $x \in (ap)^* - Ker(A)$ . Consequently,  $(ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ . Now, let  $x \in X$  such that  $(ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ . Suppose that  $x \notin (ap)^* - Ker(A)$ . Then, there exists a  $(ap)^*$ -open set  $U$  containing  $A$  and  $x \notin U$ . Let  $y \in (ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) \cap A$ . Thus,  $U$  is a  $(ap)^*$ -neighbourhood of  $y$  such that  $x \notin U$ . By this contradiction  $x \in (ap)^* - Ker(A)$ .

**Lemma 3.3:** The following statements are equivalent for any points  $x$  and  $y$  in a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ : (1)  $(ap)^* - Ker(\{x\}) \neq (ap)^* - Ker(\{y\})$ ; (2)  $(ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) \neq (ap)^* - Cl(\{y\})$ .

**Proof. (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2):** Let  $(ap)^* - Ker(\{x\}) \neq (ap)^* - Ker(\{y\})$ . Then there exists a point  $z$  in  $X$  such that  $z \in (ap)^* - Ker(\{x\})$  and  $z \notin (ap)^* - Ker(\{y\})$ . From  $z \in (ap)^* - Ker(\{x\})$  it follows that  $\{x\} \cap (ap)^* - Ker(\{z\}) \neq \emptyset$  which implies  $x \in (ap)^* - Cl(\{z\})$ . By  $z \notin (ap)^* - Ker(\{y\})$ , we have  $\{y\} \cap (ap)^* - Cl(\{z\}) = \emptyset$ . Since  $x \in (ap)^* - Cl(\{z\})$ ,  $(ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) \subseteq (ap)^* - Cl(\{z\})$  and  $\{y\} \cap (ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) = \emptyset$ . Therefore it follows that  $(ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) \neq (ap)^* - Cl(\{y\})$ . Now  $(ap)^* - Ker(\{x\}) \neq (ap)^* - Ker(\{y\})$  implies that  $(ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) \neq (ap)^* - Cl(\{y\})$ . (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Suppose that  $(ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) \neq (ap)^* - Cl(\{y\})$ . Then there exists a point  $z$  in  $X$  such that  $z \in (ap)^* - Cl(\{x\})$  and  $z \notin (ap)^* - Cl(\{y\})$ . It means that there exists a  $(ap)^*$ -open set containing  $z$  and therefore  $x$  but not  $y$ , i.e.,  $y \notin (ap)^* - Ker(\{x\})$  and hence  $(ap)^* - Ker(\{x\}) \neq (ap)^* - Ker(\{y\})$ .

**Definition 3.2.** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be a  $(ap)^* - R_0$  space if every  $(ap)^*$ -open set contains the  $(ap)^*$ -closure of each of its singletons.

**Proposition 3.1:** For a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , the following properties are equivalent:

- (i)  $(X, \tau)$  is  $(ap)^* - R_0$  space;
- (2) For any  $F \in (ap)^* C(X, \tau)$ ,  $x \notin F$  implies  $F \subseteq U$  and  $x \notin U$  for some  $U \in (ap)^* O(X, \tau)$ ;
- (3) For any  $F \in (ap)^* C(X, \tau)$ ,  $x \notin F$  implies  $F \cap (ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) = \emptyset$ ;
- (4) For any distinct points  $x$  and  $y$  of  $X$ , either  $(ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) = (ap)^* - Cl(\{y\})$  or  $(ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) \cap (ap)^* - Cl(\{y\}) = \emptyset$ .

**Proof: (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2):** Let  $F \in (ap)^* C(X, \tau)$  and  $x \notin F$ . Then by (1)  $(ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) \subseteq X - F$ . Set  $U = X - (ap)^* - Cl(\{x\})$ , then  $U \in (ap)^* O(X, \tau)$ ,  $F \subseteq U$  and  $x \notin U$ . (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3): Let  $F \in (ap)^* C(X, \tau)$  and  $x \notin F$ . There exists  $U \in (ap)^* O(X, \tau)$  such that  $F \subseteq U$  and  $x \notin U$ . Since  $U \in (ap)^* O(X, \tau) \cap (ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) = \emptyset$  and  $F \cap (ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) = \emptyset$ . (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4): Let  $(ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) \neq (ap)^* - Cl(\{y\})$  for distinct points  $x, y \in X$ . So there exists  $z \in (ap)^* - Cl(\{x\})$  such that  $z \notin (ap)^* - Cl(\{y\})$  (or  $z \in (ap)^* - Cl(\{y\})$  such that  $z \notin (ap)^* - Cl(\{x\})$ ). There exists  $V \in (ap)^* O(X, \tau)$  such that  $y \notin V$  and  $z \in V$ ; hence  $x \in V$ . Hence, we have  $x \notin (ap)^* - Cl(\{y\})$ . By (3), we obtain  $(ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) \cap (ap)^* - Cl(\{y\}) = \emptyset$ . The proof for otherwise is similar (4)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Let  $V \in (ap)^* O(X, \tau)$  and  $x \in V$ . For each  $y \notin V$ ,  $x \neq y$  and  $x \notin (ap)^* - Cl(\{y\})$ . This shows that  $(ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) \neq (ap)^* - Cl(\{y\})$ . By (4)  $(ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) \cap (ap)^* - Cl(\{y\}) = \emptyset$  for each  $y \in X - V$  and hence  $(ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) \cap (\bigcup_{y \in X - V} (ap)^* - Cl(\{y\})) = \emptyset$ . On the other hand, since  $V \in (ap)^* O(X, \tau)$  and  $y \in X - V$ , we have  $(ap)^* - Cl(\{y\}) \subseteq X - V$  and hence  $X - V = \bigcup_{y \in X - V} (ap)^* - Cl(\{y\})$ . Therefore we obtain  $(X - V) \cap (ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) = \emptyset$  and  $(ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) \subseteq V$ . This shows that  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $(ap)^* - R_0$  space.

**Corollary 3.1.** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $(ap)^* - R_0$  space if and only if for any  $x$  and  $y$  in  $X$ ,  $(ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) \neq (ap)^* - Cl(\{y\}) \Rightarrow (ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) \cap (ap)^* - Cl(\{y\}) = \emptyset$

**Proof.** It follows from Proposition 3.1.

**Theorem 3.1.** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $(ap)^* - R_0$  space if and only if for any points  $x$  and  $y$  in  $X$ ,  $(ap)^* - Ker(\{x\}) \neq (ap)^* - Ker(\{y\}) \Rightarrow (ap)^* - Ker(\{x\}) \cap (ap)^* - Ker(\{y\}) = \emptyset$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $(ap)^* - R_0$  space, for any points  $x$  and  $y$  in  $X$  if  $(ap)^* - Ker(\{x\}) \neq (ap)^* - Ker(\{y\})$  then  $(ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) \neq (ap)^* - Cl(\{y\})$ . We prove that  $(ap)^* - Ker(\{x\}) \cap (ap)^* - Ker(\{y\}) = \emptyset$ . Let  $z \in (ap)^* - Ker(\{x\}) \cap (ap)^* - Ker(\{y\})$ . By  $z \in (ap)^* - Ker(\{x\})$ , it follows that  $x \in (ap)^* - Cl(\{z\})$ . Since  $x \in (ap)^* - Cl(\{x\})$ ,  $(ap)^* - Cl(\{x\}) = (ap)^* - Cl(\{z\})$ . Similarly, we have  $(ap)^* - Cl(\{y\}) =$

$(ap)^*Cl(\{z\}) = (ap)^*Cl(\{x\})$ . This is a contradiction and therefore, we have  $(ap)^*Ker(\{x\}) \cap (ap)^*Ker(\{y\}) = \emptyset$ . Conversely, let for any points  $x$  and  $y$  in  $X$   $(ap)^*Ker(\{x\}) \neq (ap)^*Ker(\{y\})$  implies  $(ap)^*Ker(\{x\}) \cap (ap)^*Ker(\{y\}) = \emptyset$ .  $(ap)^*Cl(\{x\}) \neq (ap)^*Cl(\{y\})$ , then  $(ap)^*Ker(\{x\}) \neq (ap)^*Ker(\{y\})$ . Therefore  $(ap)^*Ker(\{x\}) \cap (ap)^*Ker(\{y\}) = \emptyset$  which implies  $(ap)^*Cl(\{x\}) \cap (ap)^*Cl(\{y\}) = \emptyset$ . Since  $z \in (ap)^*Cl(\{x\})$  implies that  $x \in (ap)^*Ker(\{z\})$  and therefore  $(ap)^*Ker(\{x\}) \cap (ap)^*Ker(\{z\}) \neq \emptyset$ . By hypothesis, we have  $(ap)^*Ker(\{x\}) = (ap)^*Ker(\{z\})$ . Then  $z \in (ap)^*Cl(\{x\}) \cap (ap)^*Cl(\{y\})$  implies that  $(ap)^*Ker(\{x\}) = (ap)^*Ker(\{z\}) = (ap)^*Ker(\{y\})$ . But this is a contradiction. Therefore,  $(ap)^*Cl(\{x\}) \cap (ap)^*Cl(\{y\}) = \emptyset$  and  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $(ap)^*-R_0$  space.

**Theorem 3.2.** For a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , the following properties are equivalent:

- (1)  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $(ap)^*-R_0$  space;
- (2) For any nonempty set  $A$  and  $G \in (ap)^*o(X, \tau)$  such that  $A \cap G \neq \emptyset$ , there exists  $F \in (ap)^*o(X, \tau)$  such that  $A \cap F \neq \emptyset$  and  $F \subset G$ ;
- (3) Any  $G \in (ap)^*o(X, \tau)$ ,  $G = \cup\{F \in (ap)^*o(X, \tau) \mid F \subset G\}$ ;
- (4) Any  $F \in (ap)^*o(X, \tau)$ ,  $F = \cap\{G \in (ap)^*o(X, \tau) \mid F \subset G\}$ ;
- (5) For any  $x \in X$ ,  $(ap)^*Cl(\{x\}) \subset (ap)^*Ker(\{x\})$

**Proof. (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2):** Let  $A$  be a nonempty set of  $X$  and  $G \in (ap)^*o(X, \tau)$ , such that  $A \cap G \neq \emptyset$ . There exists  $x \in A \cap G$ . Since  $x \in G \in (ap)^*o(X, \tau)$ ,  $\mu^{**}Cl(\{x\}) \subset G$ . Set  $F = (ap)^*Cl(\{x\})$ , then  $F \in (ap)^*o(X, \tau)$ ,  $F \subset G$  and  $A \cap F \neq \emptyset$ .

**(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3):** Let  $G \in (ap)^*o(X, \tau)$ , then  $G \supset \cup\{F \in (ap)^*o(X, \tau) \mid F \subset G\}$ . Let  $x$  be any point of  $G$ . There exists  $F \in (ap)^*o(X, \tau)$ , such that  $x \in F$  and  $F \subset G$ . Hence, we have  $x \in F \subset \cup\{F \in (ap)^*o(X, \tau) \mid F \subset G\}$  hence  $G = \cup\{F \in (ap)^*o(X, \tau) \mid F \subset G\}$ .

**(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4):** Straightforward.

**(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (5):** Let  $x$  be any point of  $X$  and  $y \notin (ap)^*Ker(\{x\})$ . There exists  $V \in (ap)^*o(X, \tau)$ , such that  $x \in V$  and  $y \notin V$ ; hence  $(ap)^*Cl(\{y\}) \cap V = \emptyset$ . By (4)  $(\cap\{G \in (ap)^*o(X, \tau) \mid (ap)^*Cl(\{y\}) \subset G\}) \cap V = \emptyset$  and there exists  $G \in (ap)^*o(X, \tau)$ , such that  $x \notin G$  and  $(ap)^*Cl(\{y\}) \subset G$ . Therefore,  $(ap)^*Cl(\{x\}) \cap G = \emptyset$  and  $y \notin V - Cl(\{x\})$ . Consequently, we obtain

$(ap)^*Cl(\{x\}) \subset (ap)^*Ker(\{x\})$ . **(5)  $\Rightarrow$  (1):** Let  $G \in (ap)^*o(X, \tau)$ , and  $x \in G$ . Let  $y \in (ap)^*Ker(\{x\})$ , then  $x \in (ap)^*Cl(\{y\})$  and  $y \in G$ . This implies that  $Ker(\{x\}) \subset G$ . Therefore, we obtain  $x \in (ap)^*Cl(\{x\}) \subset (ap)^*Ker(\{x\}) \subset G$ . This shows that  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $(ap)^*-R_0$  space

**Corollary 3.2.** For a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , the following properties are equivalent : (1)  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $(ap)^*-R_0$  space; (2)  $(ap)^*Cl(\{x\}) = (ap)^*Ker(\{x\})$  for all  $x \in X$ .

**Proof. (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2):** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a  $(ap)^*-R_0$  space. It follows that  $(ap)^*Cl(\{x\}) \subset (ap)^*Ker(\{x\})$  for each  $x \in X$ . Suppose  $y \in (ap)^*Ker(\{x\})$ , then  $x \in (ap)^*Cl(\{y\})$  and  $(ap)^*Cl(\{x\}) = (ap)^*Cl(\{y\})$ . Therefore,  $y \in (ap)^*Cl(\{x\})$  and hence  $(ap)^*Ker(\{x\}) \subset (ap)^*Cl(\{x\})$ . This shows that  $(ap)^*Cl(\{x\}) = (ap)^*Ker(\{x\})$ . **(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1).**

**Theorem 3.3.** For a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , the following properties are equivalent :

- (1)  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $(ap)^*-R_0$  space;
- (2) If  $F$  is  $(ap)^*$ -closed, then  $F = (ap)^*Ker(F)$ ;
- (3) If  $F$  is  $(ap)^*$ -closed and  $x \in F$ , then  $(ap)^*Ker(\{x\}) \subset F$ ;
- (4) If  $x \in X$ , then  $(ap)^*Ker(\{x\}) \subset (ap)^*Cl(\{x\})$ .

**Proof. (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2):** Suppose that  $F$  is  $(ap)^*$ -closed and  $x \notin F$ . Thus  $X - F$  is  $(ap)^*$ -open and  $x \in X - F$ . Since  $(X, \tau)$  is  $(ap)^*-R_0$   $\mu^{**}Cl(\{x\}) \subset X - F$ . Thus  $(ap)^*Cl(\{x\}) \cap F = \emptyset$  and  $x \notin (ap)^*Ker(F)$ . Therefore  $(ap)^*Ker(F) = F$ .

**(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3):** In general,  $A \subset B$  implies  $(ap)^*Ker(A) \subset (ap)^*Ker(B)$ . Therefore, it follows from (2) that  $(ap)^*Ker(\{x\}) \subset (ap)^*Ker(F) = F$ .

**(3)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (4):** Since  $x \in (ap)^*Cl(\{x\})$  and  $(ap)^*Cl(\{x\})$  is  $(ap)^*$ -closed, by (3)  $(ap)^*Ker(\{x\}) \subset (ap)^*Cl(\{x\})$ .

**(4)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (1):** Let  $x \in (ap)^*Cl(\{y\})$ . Then  $y \in (ap)^*Ker(\{x\})$ .

Since  $x \in (ap)^*Cl(\{x\})$  and  $(ap)^*Cl(\{x\})$  is  $(ap)^*$ -closed, by (4) we obtain  $y \in (ap)^*Ker(\{x\}) \subset (ap)^*Cl(\{x\})$ . Therefore  $x \in (ap)^*Cl(\{y\})$  implies  $y \in (ap)^*Cl(\{x\})$ . The converse is obvious and  $(X, \tau)$  is  $(ap)^*$ -space.

**Definition 3.3.** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is  $(ap)^*$ -symmetric if for  $x$  and  $y$  in  $X$ ,  $x \in (ap)^*Cl(\{y\})$  implies  $y \in (ap)^*Cl(\{x\})$ .

**Definition 3.4.** A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called a  $((ap)^*, (ap)^*)$ -closed set (briefly  $((ap)^*, (ap)^*)$ -closed) if  $(ap)^*Cl(A) \subset U$  whenever  $A \subset U$  and  $U$  is  $(ap)^*$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Lemma 3.4.** Every  $\mu^{**}$ -closed set is  $((ap)^*, (ap)^*)$ -closed.

**Theorem 3.4.** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is  $(ap)^*$ -symmetric if and only if  $\{x\}$  is  $((ap)^*, (ap)^*)$ -closed for each  $x \in X$ .

**Proof:** Assume that  $x \in (ap)^*Cl(\{y\})$  but  $y \notin (ap)^*Cl(\{x\})$ . This means that the complement of  $(ap)^*Cl(\{x\})$  contains  $y$ . Therefore the set  $\{y\}$  is a subset of the complement of  $(ap)^*Cl(\{x\})$ . This implies that  $(ap)^*Cl(\{y\})$  is a subset of the complement of  $(ap)^*Cl(\{x\})$ . Now the complement of  $(ap)^*Cl(\{x\})$  contains  $x$  which is a contradiction. Conversely, suppose that  $\{x\} \subset E \in (ap)^*o(X, \tau)$  but  $(ap)^*Cl(\{x\})$  is not a subset of  $E$ . This means that  $(ap)^*Cl(\{x\})$  and the complement of  $E$  are not disjoint.

Let  $y \in ((ap)^*-Cl(\{x\}) \cap E^c)$ . Now we have  $x \in (ap)^*-Cl(\{y\}) \subset E^c$  and  $x \notin E$ .

But this is a contradiction.

**Definition 3.5.** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $(ap)^*-T_1$  if for any distinct pair of points  $x$  and  $y$  in  $X$ , there is a  $(ap)^*$ -open  $U$  in  $X$  containing  $x$  but not  $y$  and a  $(ap)^*$ -open set  $V$  in  $X$  containing  $y$  but not  $x$ .

**Theorem 3.5.** A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is  $(ap)^*-T_1$  if and only if the singletons are  $(ap)^*$ -closed sets.

**Proof.** Suppose that  $(X, \tau)$  is  $(ap)^*-T_1$  and  $x \in X$ . Let  $y \in \{x\}^c$ . Then  $x \neq y$  and so there exists a  $(ap)^*$ -open set  $U_y$  such that  $y \in U_y$  but  $x \notin U_y$ . Consequently  $y \in U_y \subset \{x\}^c$  i.e.,  $\{x\}^c = \cup\{U_y / y \in \{x\}^c\}$  which is  $(ap)^*$ -open. Conversely.

Suppose that  $\{p\}$  is  $(ap)^*$ -closed for every  $p \in X$ . Let  $x, y \in X$  with  $x \neq y$ . Now  $x \neq y$  implies  $y \in \{x\}^c$ . Hence  $\{x\}^c$  is a  $(ap)^*$ -open set containing  $y$  but not  $x$ .

Similarly  $\{y\}^c$  is a  $(ap)^*$ -open set containing  $x$  but not  $y$ . Accordingly  $X$  is a  $(ap)^*-T_1$  space.

**Theorem 3.6.** For a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  the following are equivalent: (1)  $(X, \tau)$  is  $(ap)^*-R_0$ ; (2)  $(X, \tau)$  is  $(ap)^*$ -symmetric.

**Proof. (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2).** If  $x \notin (ap)^*-Cl(\{y\})$ . Then there exist a  $(ap)^*$ -open set  $U$  containing  $x$  such that  $y \notin U$ . Hence  $y \notin (ap)^*-Cl(U)$ . The converse is similarly shown.

**(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1):** Let  $U$  be a  $(ap)^*$ -open set and  $x \in U$ . If  $y \notin U$ , then  $x \notin (ap)^*-Cl(\{y\})$  and hence  $y \notin (ap)^*-Cl(\{x\})$ . This implies that  $(ap)^*-Cl(\{x\}) \subset U$ . Hence  $(X, \tau)$  is  $(ap)^*-R_0$ .

**Definition 3.6.** A filterbase  $F$  is called  $(ap)^*$ -convergent to a point  $x$  in  $X$ , if for any  $(ap)^*$ -open set  $U$  of  $X$  containing  $x$ , there exists  $B$  in  $F$  such that  $B$  is a subset of  $U$ .

**Lemma 3.5.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and let  $x$  and  $y$  be any two points in  $X$  such that every net in  $X$   $(ap)^*$ -converging to  $y$   $\mu^{**}$ -converges to  $x$ . Then  $x \in (ap)^*-Cl(\{y\})$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that  $x_n = y$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $\{x_n\}_n \in \mathbb{N}$  is a net in  $(ap)^*-Cl(\{y\})$ . Since  $\{x_n\}_n \in \mathbb{N}$   $(ap)^*$ -converges to  $y$ , then  $\{x_n\}_n \in \mathbb{N}$   $(ap)^*$ -converges to  $x$  and this implies that  $x \in (ap)^*-Cl(\{y\})$ .

**Theorem 3.7.** For a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , the following statements are equivalent: (1)  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $(ap)^*-R_0$  space; (2) If  $x, y \in X$ , then  $y \in (ap)^*-Cl(\{x\})$  if and only if every net in  $X$  ge-converging to  $y$   $(ap)^*$ -converges to  $x$ .

**Proof. (1)  $\rightarrow$  (2):** Let  $x, y \in X$  such that  $y \in (ap)^*-Cl(\{x\})$ . Suppose that  $\{x_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$  be a net in  $X$  such that  $\{x_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$   $(ap)^*$ -converges to  $y$ . Since  $y \in (ap)^*-Cl(\{x\})$ , we have  $(ap)^*$ -

$Cl(\{x\}) = (ap)^*-Cl(\{y\})$ . Therefore  $x \in (ap)^*-Cl(\{y\})$ . This means that  $\{x_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$   $(ap)^*$ -converges to  $x$ . Conversely, let  $x, y \in X$  such that every net in  $X$   $(ap)^*$ -converging to  $y$   $(ap)^*$ -converges to  $x$ . Then  $x \in (ap)^*-Cl(\{y\})$  by Lemma 13.2. By Theorem 3.5, we have  $(ap)^*-Cl(\{x\}) = (ap)^*-Cl(\{y\})$ . Therefore  $y \in (ap)^*-Cl(\{x\})$ .

**(2)  $\rightarrow$  (1):** Assume that  $x$  and  $y$  are any two points of  $X$  such that  $(ap)^*-Cl(\{x\}) \cap (ap)^*-Cl(\{y\}) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $z \in (ap)^*-Cl(\{x\}) \cap (ap)^*-Cl(\{y\})$ . So there exists a net  $\{x_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$  in  $geCl(\{x\})$  such that  $\{x_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$  ge-converges to  $z$ . Since  $z \in (ap)^*-Cl(\{y\})$ , then  $\{x_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$   $(ap)^*$ -converges to  $y$ . It follows that  $y \in (ap)^*-Cl(\{x\})$ . By the same taken we obtain  $x \in (ap)^*-Cl(\{y\})$ . Therefore  $(ap)^*Cl(\{x\}) = (ap)^*Cl(\{y\})$  and  $(X, \tau)$  is  $(ap)^*-R_0$ .

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