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# **Generalized Minimal Closed Sets in Bitopological Spaces**

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*Abstract.* In this paper, we introduce and characterize generalized minimal closed sets in bitopological spaces and study some of their properties. A subset A of X is said to be  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - generalized minimal closed (briefly  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed) set in a bitopological space if  $\tau_j$ -cl (A)  $\subseteq$  U whenever A  $\subseteq$ U and U is  $\tau_i$ - minimal open set in (X;  $\tau_1, \tau_2$ ).

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#### 1. Introduction and preliminaries

The triple (X;  $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ ) where X is a set and  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  are two topologies on X is a bitopological space. Kelly [5] initiated the systematic study of such spaces. After the work of Kelly [5] various authors [2,3,7,8] turned their attention to generalization of various concepts of topology by considering bitopological spaces. The concept of generalized closed sets in bitopological spaces was introduced and investigated by T [7].

Throughout this chapter (X;  $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ ) denote non empty bitopological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed unless otherwise mentioned and the fixed integers i,  $j \in \{1,2\}$ .

We recall the following definitions, which are useful in the sequel.

**Definition 1.1.** Let i,  $j \in \{1, 2\}$  be fixed integers. In a bitopological space (X;  $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ ), a subset A of X is said to be

(i)  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-closed set [7] if  $\tau_j$  -cl (A)  $\subseteq$  U whenever A  $\subseteq$ U and U is  $\tau_i$ - open set.

(ii)  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g-open set iff  $A^c$  is  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-closed set.

- (iii)  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$   $\omega$ -closed set [6] if  $\tau_j$  cl (A)  $\subseteq$  U whenever A  $\subseteq$  U and U is  $\tau_i$  semi open set in (X,  $\tau$ ).
- (iv)  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$   $\omega$ -open set [6] iff  $A^c$  is  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$   $\omega$ -closed set.

**Definition 1.2.** Let i,  $j \in \{1, 2\}$  be fixed integers. In a bitopological space (X;  $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ ), a proper nonempty ( $\tau_i$ ,  $\tau_j$ )-g-open set A of (X;  $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ ) is said to be

(i)  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -minimal g-open (resp.  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -minimal g-closed) set if any  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g-open (respectively  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g- closed) subset of  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$  which is contained in A, is either A or  $\phi$ .

(ii)  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$  - maximal g-open (resp.  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$  - maximal g-closed) set if any  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g- open (respectively  $(\tau_i, \tau_i)$  –g- closed) subset of (X;  $\tau_1, \tau_2$ ) which contains A, is either A or X.

### 2. Generalized minimal closed sets in bitopological spaces

In this section, we introduce and investigate generalized minimal closed sets in bitopological spaces.

**Definition 2.1.** Let i,  $j \in \{1, 2\}$  be fixed integers. In a bitopological space

(X;  $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ ), a subset A of X is said to be  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - generalized minimal closed (briefly  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed) set if  $\tau_j$  -cl (A)  $\subseteq$  U whenever A  $\subseteq$ U and U is  $\tau_i$ - minimal open set in (X;  $\tau_1, \tau_2$ ).

**Remark 2.2.** By setting  $\tau_1 = \tau_2$  in the Definition 2.1, a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set is a g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set in a topological space.

**Theorem 2.3.** Let i,  $j \in \{1, 2\}$  be fixed integers. Every  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-mi closed set in a bitopological space  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g- closed set.

**Proof:** Let  $A \subset X$  be any  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set in  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$ . By Definition 2.1  $\tau_j$ -cl (A)  $\subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is a  $\tau_i$ - minimal open set. But every minimal open set is an open set. Therefore  $\tau_j$ -cl (A)  $\subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is a  $\tau_i$ -open set. Hence A is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-closed set in  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$ .

Remark 2.4. Converse of the Theorem 2.3 need not be true.

**Example 2.5.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with  $\tau_1 = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, X\}$  and  $\tau_2 = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, X\}$ .  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed sets:  $\{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{c, d\}\}$ .  $(\tau_2, \tau_1)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed sets:  $\{\phi, \{b\}\}$ .  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -g-closed sets =  $\{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, d\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, X\}$ .  $(\tau_2, \tau_1)$ -g-closed sets =  $\{\phi, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, X\}$ 

**Theorem 2.6.** Let i,  $j \in \{1, 2\}$  be fixed integers. Every  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set in a bitopological space  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$  -  $\omega$ -closed set. **Proof:** Let  $A \subset X$  be any  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set in  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$ . By Definition 2.1  $\tau_j$ -cl  $(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is a  $\tau_i$ - minimal open set. But every minimal open set is an open set and hence is a semi open set. Therefore  $\tau_j$ -cl  $(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is a  $\tau_i$ - minimal open set in  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$ .

**Remark 2.7.** Converse of the above Theorem 2.6 need not be true.

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**Example 2.8.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with  $\tau_1 = \{\phi, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, X\}$  and  $\tau_2 = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, X\}.$   $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed sets:  $\{\phi, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{c, d\}\}.$   $(\tau_2, \tau_1)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed sets:  $\{\phi, \{a\}\}.$   $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ - $\omega$ -closed sets =  $\{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, d\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, X\}.$  $(\tau_2, \tau_1)$ - $\omega$ -closed sets =  $\{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, d\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, X\}.$ 

**Proposition 2.9.** Let i,  $j \in \{1, 2\}$  be fixed integers. If A is a  $\tau_j$ - minimal closed subset of a bitopological space (X;  $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ ), then A is a ( $\tau_i$ ,  $\tau_j$ )- g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set in (X;  $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ ). **Proof:** Let  $A \subseteq U$ , such that U is a  $\tau_i$ -minimal open set. By hypothesis A is a  $\tau_j$ - minimal closed subset of (X;  $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ ), then A is a  $\tau_j$  - closed subset of (X;  $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ ), so that  $\tau_j$  -cl(A)=

A. Therefore,  $\tau_j$  -cl(A)  $\subseteq$  A, whenever A  $\subseteq$  U and U is a  $\tau_i$ - minimal open set in (X;  $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ ). Hence A is a ( $\tau_i$ ,  $\tau_j$ )- g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set in (X;  $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ ).

**Remark 2.10.** If  $\tau_1 \subset \tau_2$  in (X;  $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ ) then, $(\tau_2, \tau_1)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed sets  $\not\subset$  ( $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ )- g-m<sub>i</sub> closed sets.

**Example 2.11.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with  $\tau_1 = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, X\}$  and  $\tau_2 = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, X\}$ . ( $\tau_1, \tau_2$ )- g-m<sub>i</sub> closed sets:  $\{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{c, d\}\}$ . ( $\tau_2, \tau_1$ )- g-m<sub>i</sub> closed sets:  $\{\phi, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{c, d\}\}$ .

**Theorem 2.12.** Let i,  $j \in \{1, 2\}$  be fixed integers. If A is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-mi closed set in a bitopological space  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$  and  $A \subseteq B \subseteq \tau_j$ -cl(A) then B is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set in a bitopological space  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$ .

**Proof:** Let B be any set such that  $B \subseteq U$  and U is a  $\tau_i$ - minimal open set in (X;  $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ ). Given that  $A \subseteq B \subseteq \tau_i$  -cl (A) (i)

Since  $A \subseteq B \subseteq U$ , then  $A \subseteq U$  where U is a  $\tau_i$ - minimal open set. But A is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set, by Definition 2.1,  $\tau_j$ -cl (A)  $\subseteq$  U whenever A $\subseteq$ U and U is a  $\tau_i$ -minimal open set in (X;  $\tau_1, \tau_2$ ) From (i) A $\subseteq$ B  $\subseteq \tau_j$ -cl (A), implies B  $\subseteq \tau_j$ - cl (A) which implies  $\tau_j$ -cl (B)  $\subseteq \tau_j$ - cl ( $\tau_j$ -cl (A))=  $\tau_j$ -cl(A). That is  $\tau_j$ - cl (B)  $\subseteq \tau_j$ -cl (A). But  $\tau_j$ -cl (A)  $\subseteq$  U. Therefore,  $\tau_j$ - cl (B)  $\subseteq$  U whenever B  $\subseteq$  U and U is a  $\tau_i$ - minimal open set in (X;  $\tau_1, \tau_2$ ). Hence B is a ( $\tau_i, \tau_j$ )- g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set in (X;  $\tau_1, \tau_2$ ).

**Theorem 2.13.** Let i,  $j \in \{1, 2\}$  be fixed integers. If A is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-mi closed set in a bitopological space (X;  $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ ), then  $\tau_j$ - cl (A) – A contains no nonempty  $\tau_i$ - maximal closed subset.

**Proof:** Let F be a  $\tau_i$  -maximal closed subset of cl (A) – A. Then F<sup>c</sup> is a  $\tau_i$  -minimal open set. Let A be such that  $A \subseteq F^c$  where F<sup>c</sup> is a  $\tau_i$ - minimal open set in (X;  $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ ). Since A is a ( $\tau_i$ ,  $\tau_j$ )- g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set, by the Definition 2.1,  $\tau_j$ - cl (A)  $\subseteq$  F<sup>c</sup> whenever A  $\subseteq$  F<sup>c</sup> and F<sup>c</sup> is a  $\tau_i$  - minimal open set in (X;  $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ ). So  $F \subseteq [\tau_j$ - cl (A)]<sup>c</sup>.

On the other hand  $F \subseteq \tau_i$ - cl (A). Therefore  $F \subseteq [\tau_i$ - cl (A)]<sup>c</sup>  $\cap \tau_i$ - cl (A) =  $\phi$ .

Therefore  $F = \phi$ .

**Theorem 2.14.** Let i,  $j \in \{1, 2\}$  be fixed integers. If A is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set in a bitopological space  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$ , then  $\tau_j$ - cl (A) – A contains no nonempty  $\tau_i$  - closed subset.

**Proof:** Let A be a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set in  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$  and F be a nonempty  $\tau_i$  - closed set contained in  $\tau_j$ - cl (A)–A. So  $F \subseteq \tau_j$ - cl (A)–A =  $\tau_j$ - cl (A)  $\cap$  A<sup>c</sup>. Then  $F \subseteq \tau_j$ - cl (A) and  $F \subseteq A^c$ . Now  $F \subseteq A^c$  means  $A \subseteq F^c$  where  $F^c$  is an open set. Since every  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set in a bitopological space  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g- closed set, A is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-closed set. Then by the Definition [7],  $\tau_j$ - cl (A)  $\subseteq$  F<sup>c</sup> whenever  $A \subseteq F^c$  and F<sup>c</sup> is an open set in  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$ , so that  $F \subseteq [\tau_j$ - cl (A)]<sup>c</sup> On the other hand  $F \subseteq \tau_j$ - cl (A), so that  $F \subseteq [\tau_j - \text{cl } (A)]^c \cap \tau_j$ - cl (A) =  $\phi$ .

**Corollary 2.15.** Let i,  $j \in \{1, 2\}$  be fixed integers. A  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set A in a bitopological space  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is  $\tau_j$ - closed iff  $\tau_j$ - cl (A) - A is  $\tau_i$  - closed.

**Proof:** Let A be any  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set in a bitopological space  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$  which is a  $\tau_j$ -closed set so that  $\tau_j$ -cl (A) = A, then  $\tau_j$ - cl (A)-A =  $\phi$ . Therefore  $\tau_j$ - cl (A) – A is a  $\tau_i$  - closed set.

Conversely, let A be any  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set in a bitopological space (X;  $\tau_1, \tau_2$ ) such that  $\tau_j$ - cl (A) – A is a  $\tau_i$ -closed set. Since  $\tau_j$ - cl (A)–A is a subset of itself and is a  $\tau_i$ -closed set, by the Theorem 2.14,  $\tau_j$ - cl (A)-A =  $\phi$ , so that A =  $\tau_j$ - cl (A). Therefore A is a  $\tau_i$ - closed set.

**Proposition 2.16.** Let i,  $j \in \{1, 2\}$  be fixed integers. If A is an  $\tau_i$  minimal open set and a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g- m<sub>i</sub> closed set in a bitopological space  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$  then A is a  $\tau_j$ - closed set. **Proof:** Since  $A \subseteq A$  and as A is a  $\tau_i$  -minimal open and a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set, we have cl  $(A) \subseteq A$ . Therefore  $\tau_j$ -cl (A) = A. Hence A is a  $\tau_j$ -closed set.

**Theorem 2.17.** Let i,  $j \in \{1, 2\}$  be fixed integers. If A is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set in a bitopological space  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$ , then for each  $x \in \tau_i$ -cl (A),  $\tau_i$ -cl  $\{x\} \cap A \neq \phi$ .

**Proof:** Let A be any  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set in a bitopological space (X;  $\tau_1, \tau_2$ ), such that for each  $x \in \tau_i$ -cl (A),  $\tau_i$ -cl {X}  $\cap A = \phi$  and  $[\tau_i$ -cl{X}]^c is a  $\tau_i$ -minimal open set. Then

 $A \subseteq [\tau_j\text{-cl}(\{x\})]^c$  where  $[\tau_j\text{-cl}(\{x\})]^c$  is a  $\tau_i$ -minimal open set in  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$ . But A is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)\text{-g-m}_i$  closed set. By the Definition  $2.1\tau_j\text{-cl}(A) \subseteq [\tau_j\text{-cl}(\{x\})]^c$ . This is a contradiction to the fact that  $x \in \tau_j\text{-cl}(A)$ . Therefore  $\tau_j\text{-cl}\{x\} \cap A \neq \phi$ .

**Lemma 2.18.** If  $Y \subseteq X$  is any subspace of a bitopological space  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$  and U is any  $\tau_i$ -minimal open set in  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$  then  $Y \cap U$  is a  $\tau_{i-Y}$  minimal open set.

**Proof:** Let U be a  $\tau_i$ -minimal open set in a bitopological space  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$  such that  $Y \cap U$  is not a  $\tau_{i-Y}$  minimal open set in Y. Then there exists an  $\tau_{i-Y}$  open set  $G \neq Y$  in Y such that  $G \subseteq Y \cap U$  where  $G = Y \cap H$  and H is an  $\tau_i$ -open set in  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ . Now  $Y \cap H \subseteq Y \cap U$ 

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implies  $H \subseteq U$ . This contradicts the fact that U is a  $\tau_i$ -minimal open set. Therefore  $Y \cap U$  is a  $\tau_{i-Y}$  minimal open set.

**Theorem 2.19.** Let i,  $j \in \{1, 2\}$  be fixed integers. If  $A \subseteq Y \subseteq X$  and A is  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set in a bitopological space  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$ , then A is  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g-m<sub>i</sub> closed relative to Y. **Proof:** Let  $\tau_{i} \cdot_Y$  be the restriction of  $\tau_i$  to Y and O be any  $\tau_i$  -minimal open set in  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$ , then by the Lemma 2.18 Y  $\cap$  O is  $\tau_{i} \cdot_Y$  minimal open set. Let  $A \subseteq Y \cap O$ , where Y  $\cap$  O is a  $\tau_{i} \cdot_Y$  minimal open set implies  $A \subseteq O$  and O is a  $\tau_i$  -minimal open set in  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$ . But A is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set in  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$ . By the Definition 2.1  $\tau_j$ - cl  $(A) \subseteq O$  whenever  $A \subseteq O$  and O is a  $\tau_i$ -minimal open set in  $Y \cap \tau_j$ -cl  $(A) \subseteq O$  set in Y  $\cap$  O that is  $\tau_{j-Y}$ -cl $(A) \subseteq Y \cap O$  whenever  $A \subseteq Y \cap O$  and  $Y \cap O$  is a  $\tau_{i-Y}$  minimal open set in Y. Therefore A is  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g-m<sub>i</sub> closed relative to Y.

**Lemma 2.20.** If A is a  $\tau_i$ -minimal open set and B is an  $\tau_i$ -open set in  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$  then either A  $\cap$  B= $\phi$  or A $\cap$  B is a  $\tau_i$ -minimal open set in  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$ .

**Proof:** Let A be any  $\tau_i$ -minimal open set and B be an  $\tau_i$ -open set in  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$  such that A  $\cap B = \phi$ , then there is nothing to prove. But if A  $\cap B \neq \phi$ , then we have to prove that A  $\cap$  B is a  $\tau_i$ -minimal open set in  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ . Now A  $\cap B \neq \phi$  means A  $\cap B \subseteq$  A and A  $\cap B \subseteq$  B. For A  $\cap B \subseteq$  A and since A is a  $\tau_i$ -minimal open set, by the definition of a minimal open set, either A  $\cap B = \phi$  or A  $\cap B = A$ . But A  $\cap B \neq \phi$ , then A  $\cap B = A$  which implies that A  $\cap B$  is a  $\tau_i$ -minimal open set in  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ .

**Theorem 2.21.** Let i,  $j \in \{1, 2\}$  be fixed integers. If  $B \subseteq A \subseteq X$  such that B is  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed relative to A and that A is an  $\tau_i$ -open and  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set in  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$  then B is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set in  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ .

**Proof:** Let  $B \subseteq U$  such that U is a  $\tau_i$ -minimal open set in  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ . Given  $B \subseteq A \subseteq X$ , so  $B \subseteq A \cap U$  and A is an  $\tau_i$ -open set in X. Then by the Lemma 2.20  $A \cap U$  is a  $\tau_i$ -minimal open set in X. Now  $A \cap U \subseteq A \subseteq X$ , then  $A \cap U$  is a  $\tau_i$ -minimal open set in A by the Lemma 2.18. Therefore  $B \subseteq A \cap U$  and  $A \cap U$  is a  $\tau_i$ -minimal open set in A. By hypothesis  $A \cap \tau_j$ -cl (B)  $\subseteq A \cap U$  implies  $\tau_j$ - cl (B)  $\subseteq U$ . Hence B is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set in  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ .

**Definition 2.22.** Let i,  $j \in \{1, 2\}$  be fixed integers. In a bitopological space  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ , a subset A of X is said to be a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - generalized maximal open (briefly  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-  $m_a$  open) set iff  $A^c$  is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - generalized minimal closed set.

**Theorem 2.23.** Let i,  $j \in \{1, 2\}$  be fixed integers. A subset A of a bitopological space  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$  is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g-m<sub>a</sub> open set iff  $F \subseteq \tau_j$ -int A whenever  $F \subseteq A$  and F is a  $\tau_i$ -maximal closed set in  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ .

**Proof:** Let A be any  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g-m<sub>a</sub> open in  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$  such that  $F \subseteq A$  and F is a  $\tau_i$ -maximal closed set in  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ , then by the Definition 2.22 A<sup>c</sup> is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set in  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ . That is A<sup>c</sup> is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set whenever A<sup>c</sup>  $\subseteq$  F<sup>c</sup> and F<sup>c</sup> is a  $\tau_i$ -minimal open set. Therefore by the Definition 2.1  $\tau_j$ -cl (A<sup>c</sup>)  $\subseteq$  F<sup>c</sup> whenever A<sup>c</sup>  $\subseteq$  F<sup>c</sup> and F<sup>c</sup> is a  $\tau_i$ -minimal open set. Then  $(\tau_j$ -int A)<sup>c</sup>  $\subseteq$  F<sup>c</sup>, which implies F  $\subseteq$  int A. Conversely, let A be any subset of X such that  $F \subseteq \tau_j$ -int A whenever F  $\subseteq$  A and F is a  $\tau_i$ -maximal closed set in  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ . Then  $(\tau_j$ -int A)<sup>c</sup>  $\subseteq$  F<sup>c</sup> whenever A<sup>c</sup>  $\subseteq$  F<sup>c</sup> and F<sup>c</sup> is a  $\tau_i$ -minimal open set. We have  $\tau_j$ -cl (A<sup>c</sup>)  $\subseteq$  F<sup>c</sup> whenever A<sup>c</sup>  $\subseteq$  F<sup>c</sup> and F<sup>c</sup> is a  $\tau_i$ -minimal open set. We have  $\tau_j$ -cl (A<sup>c</sup>)  $\subseteq$  F<sup>c</sup> whenever A<sup>c</sup>  $\subseteq$  F<sup>c</sup> and F<sup>c</sup> is a  $\tau_i$ -minimal open set. Therefore by the Definition 2.1 A<sup>c</sup> is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set. Thus A is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>a</sub> open set in  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ .

**Theorem 2.24.** Let i,  $j \in \{1, 2\}$  be fixed integers. Every  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>a</sub> open set is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g-open set in a bitopological space  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ .

**Proof:** Let A be a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>a</sub> open set in  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ . Then A<sup>c</sup> is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set and by the theorem 2.3 A<sup>c</sup> is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g- closed set. Therefore A is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-open set in  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ .

Remark 2.25. Converse of the Theorem 2.24 need not be true.

**Example 2.26.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with  $\tau_1 = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, X\}$  and  $\tau_2 = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, X\}$ .  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ - g-m<sub>a</sub> open sets:  $\{\{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, X\}$ .  $(\tau_2, \tau_1)$ - g-m<sub>a</sub> open sets:  $\{\{a, c, d\}, X\}$ .  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -g-open sets =  $\{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, d\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, X\}$ .  $(\tau_2, \tau_1)$ -g-open sets =  $\{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, d\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, X\}$ .

**Theorem 2.27.** Let i,  $j \in \{1, 2\}$  be fixed integers. Every  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>a</sub> open set is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -  $\omega$ -open set in a bitopological space  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ .

**Proof:** Let A be a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>a</sub> open set in  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ . Then A<sup>c</sup> is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set and by the theorem 2.6 A<sup>c</sup> is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -  $\omega$ - closed set. Therefore A is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -  $\omega$ -open set in  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ .

Remark 2.28. Converse of the Theorem 2.27 need not be true.

**Example 2.29.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with  $\tau_1 = \{\phi, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, X\}$  and  $\tau_2 = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, X\}$ .  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ - g-ma open sets:  $\{\{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, X\}$ .  $(\tau_2, \tau_1)$ - g-ma open sets:  $\{\{b, c, d\}, X\}$ .  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -  $\omega$ -open sets =  $\{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, d\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{a, b, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, X\}$ .  $(\tau_2, \tau_1)$ -  $\omega$ -open sets =  $\{\phi, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, X\}$ . Generalized Minimal Closed Sets in Bitopological Spaces

**Theorem 2.30.** Let i,  $j \in \{1, 2\}$  be fixed integers. If  $\tau_j$ - int  $A \subseteq B \subseteq A$  and A is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ g-m<sub>a</sub> open set in a bitopological space  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ , then B is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>a</sub> open set in  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ .

**Proof:** Given  $\tau_j$ -int  $A \subseteq B \subseteq A$  and A is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g-m<sub>a</sub> open set in  $(X; \tau_1, \tau_2)$ .

Then  $A^c \subseteq B^c \subseteq (\tau_j\text{-int } A)^c$  and  $A^c$  is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set. That is  $A^c \subseteq B^c \subseteq \tau_j\text{-cl } (A^c)$ and  $A^c$  is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set. By the Theorem 2.13 B<sup>c</sup> is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set. Thus by the Definition 2.22 B is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>a</sub> open set in  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ .

**Theorem 2.31.** Let i,  $j \in \{1, 2\}$  be fixed integers. If a set A is any  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>a</sub> open set in a bitopological space  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ , then O = X whenever O is an  $\tau_i$ -open set and  $\tau_i$ -int  $(A) \bigcup A^c \subseteq O$ .

**Proof:** Let A be any  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g-m<sub>a</sub> open set in  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$  and O be an  $\tau_i$ -open set such that  $\tau_j$ -int (A)  $\bigcup A^c \subseteq O$ . Then  $A^c$  is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set and  $O^c$  is a  $\tau_i$ -closed set such that  $O^c \subseteq [\tau_j$ -int (A)  $\bigcup A^c]^c = (\tau_j$ -int A)^c  $\cap (A^c)^c = \tau_j$ -cl (A<sup>c</sup>) – A<sup>c</sup>. Since A<sup>c</sup> is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set and O<sup>c</sup> is a  $\tau_i$ -closed set, by the Theorem 2.13  $\tau_j$ -cl (A<sup>c</sup>) – A<sup>c</sup> contains no nonempty closed subset, which implies  $O^c = \phi$ . Hence O = X.

Remark 2.32. Converse of the Theorem 2.32 need not be true.

**Example 2.33.** In Example 2.26 let  $A = \{a, c\}$ . The only  $\tau_1$ -open set containing  $\tau_2$ -int (A)  $\bigcup A^c$  is X, but A is not a  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ - g- m<sub>a</sub> open set.

**Theorem 2.34.** Let i,  $j \in \{1, 2\}$  be fixed integers. If  $A \subseteq Y \subseteq X$  and A is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>a</sub> open set in a bitopological space  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ , then A is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ - g-m<sub>a</sub> open set relative to Y. **Proof:** Let  $A^c \subseteq Y \cap O$  such that  $Y \cap O$  is  $\tau_{i-Y}$  minimal open set and O is  $\tau_i$ - minimal open set in Then  $A^c \subseteq O$ . By hypothesis  $A^c$  is a  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g-m<sub>i</sub> closed set.

Therefore  $\tau_j$ -cl (A<sup>c</sup>) $\subseteq$ O, Y  $\cap$   $\tau_j$ -cl (A<sup>c</sup>)  $\subseteq$  Y  $\cap$  O. Hence A<sup>c</sup> is ( $\tau_i$ ,  $\tau_j$ )-g-m<sub>i</sub> closed relative to Y which implies A is ( $\tau_i$ ,  $\tau_j$ )-g-m<sub>a</sub> open relative to Y.

**Theorem 2.35.** Let i,  $j \in \{1, 2\}$  be fixed integers. If  $A \subseteq B \subseteq X$  and A is  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g-ma open relative to B and B is  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g-ma open set in  $(X;\tau_1,\tau_2)$ , then A is  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g-ma open relative to Y.

**Proof:** From [1] it is followed that A is  $(\tau_i, \tau_j)$ -g-m<sub>a</sub> open relative to Y.

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