

**$g^{**}\Lambda$  - Closed Sets in Topological Spaces**

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**ABSTRACT:** The aim of this paper is to introduce a new class of sets called  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed sets in topological spaces. Some basic properties of  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed sets are analyzed and obtained the interrelations between  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed sets and already existing closed sets.

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**I.INTRODUCTION**

Levine [5] introduced the notion of generalized closed sets in topological spaces. Veera Kumar [8] introduced  $g^*$ -closed sets in topological spaces. Maki [4] introduced the notion of  $\Lambda$ -sets in topological spaces. A  $\Lambda$ -set is a set  $A$  which is equal to its kernel i.e to the intersection of all open supersets of  $A$ . Arenas et al.[1] introduced  $\lambda$ -closed sets by using closed sets and  $\Lambda$ -sets. In this paper a new form of closed sets called  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed sets which contains the class of  $g^*\Lambda$ -closed sets and contained in the class of  $g\Lambda$ -closed sets in topological spaces is introduced.

**II.PRELIMINARIES**

Throughout this paper  $(X, \tau)$  denotes non-empty topological space on which no separation axioms are assumed, unless otherwise mentioned. The closure and complement of a subset  $A$  of a space  $(X, \tau)$  are denoted by  $cl(A)$  and  $A^c$  respectively.

**Definition 2.1**

A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called a

- (1) Regular closed set [7] if  $A=cl(int(A))$
- (2) generalized closed set ( $g$ -closed) [5] if  $cl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
- (3)  $g^*$ -closed set[8] if  $cl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $g$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
- (4)  $\lambda$ -closed set [1] if  $A = C \cap D$  where  $C$  is a  $\Lambda$ -set and  $D$  is a closed set.

- (5)  $g\Lambda$ -closed set [3] if  $cl_\lambda(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
- (6)  $\Lambda$ - $g$  closed set [3] if  $cl_\lambda(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\lambda$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .
- (7)  $g^*\Lambda$ -closed set [6] if  $cl_\lambda(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $g$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

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

- (8) The intersection of all  $\lambda$ -closed sets containing  $A$  is called the  $\lambda$ -closure of  $A$  and is denoted by  $cl_\lambda(A)$  [2]
- (9) A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called a  $*T_{1/2}$ -space if every  $g$ -closed subset of  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g^*$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ . [8]

### Remark 2.2

1. Every  $\Lambda$ -set is a  $\lambda$ -closed set [1]
2. Every open and closed sets are  $\lambda$ -closed sets [1]

### III. $g^{**}\Lambda$ -CLOSED SETS

**Definition 3.1** A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be a  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed set if  $cl_\lambda(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $g^*$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proposition 3.2** Every  $\lambda$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed but not conversely.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be a  $\lambda$ -closed set of  $(X, \tau)$ . Let  $U$  be any  $g^*$ -open set containing  $A$  in  $X$ . Since  $A$  is  $\lambda$ -closed,  $cl_\lambda(A) = A \subseteq U$ . Therefore  $A$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed.

**Example 3.3** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}\}$ . Then the subset  $\{a, b\}$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed but not  $\lambda$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proposition 3.4** Every closed set in  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed but not conversely.

**Proof:** The proof follows from remark 2.2 and proposition 3.2.

**Example 3.5** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a, b\}\}$ . Then the subset  $\{a, c\}$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed but not closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proposition 3.6** Every open set in  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed but not conversely.

**Proof:** The proof follows from remark 2.2 and proposition 3.2.

**Example 3.7** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$ . Then the subset  $\{a, b\}$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed but not open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proposition 3.8** Every regular closed set in  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed but not conversely.

**Proof:** The proof follows from the fact that every regular closed set is closed and by proposition 3.4.

**Example 3.9** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Then the subset  $\{a\}$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed but not regular closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proposition 3.10** Every  $\Lambda$ -set in  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed but not conversely.

**Proof:** The proof follows from remark 2.2 and proposition 3.2.

**Example 3.11** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}\}$ . Then the subset  $\{b, c\}$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed but not a  $\Lambda$ -set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proposition 3.12** Every  $g^*$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed but not conversely.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be a  $g^*$ -closed set of  $(X, \tau)$ . Let  $U$  be any  $g^*$ -open set containing  $A$  in  $X$ . Since every  $g^*$ -open set is  $g$ -open and  $A$  is  $g^*$ -closed set,  $cl(A) \subseteq U$ . Since every closed set is  $\lambda$ -closed,  $cl_\lambda(A) \subseteq cl(A) \subseteq U$ . Hence  $A$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed.

**Example 3.13** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a, b\}\}$ . Then the subset  $\{a, b\}$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed but not  $g^*$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proposition 3.14** Every  $g^*\Lambda$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed but not conversely.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be a  $g^*\Lambda$ -closed set of  $(X, \tau)$ . Let  $U$  be any  $g^*$ -open set containing  $A$  in  $X$ . Since every  $g^*$ -open set is  $g$ -open and  $A$  is  $g^*\Lambda$ -closed set,  $cl_\lambda(A) \subseteq U$ . Hence  $A$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed.

**Example 3.15** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a\}\}$ . Then the subset  $\{a, b\}$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed but not  $g^*\Lambda$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proposition 3.16** Every  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g\Lambda$ -closed but not conversely.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be a  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed set of  $(X, \tau)$ . Let  $U$  be any open set containing  $A$  in  $X$ . Since every open set is  $g^*$ -open and  $A$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed set,  $cl_\lambda(A) \subseteq U$ . Hence  $A$  is  $g\Lambda$ -closed.

**Example 3.17** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{X, \phi, \{a, b\}\}$ . Then the subset  $\{a\}$  is  $g\Lambda$ -closed but not  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Definition 3.18** A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -open if its complement  $A^c$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed.

**Proposition 3.19** Every  $\lambda$ -open (respectively open, regular open,  $\Lambda$ ,  $g^*$ -open and  $g^*\Lambda$ -open) set is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -open. Every  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -open set is  $g\Lambda$ -open

**Proposition 3.20** Every closed set in  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -open.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be a closed set of  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $A^c$  is open. By remark 2.2,  $A^c$  is  $\lambda$ -closed which implies  $A$  is  $\lambda$ -open. By proposition 3.19,  $A$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -open.

**Remark 3.21** From the relations we observed that  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed sets and  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -open sets are stronger forms of  $g\Lambda$ -closed sets and  $g\Lambda$ -open sets respectively and weaker forms of  $g^*\Lambda$ -closed sets and  $g^*\Lambda$ -open sets respectively.

**Remark 3.22** The following example shows that the intersection of any two  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed sets need not be a  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed set.

**Example 3.23** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{X, \varphi, \{a, b\}\}$ . Then the subsets  $\{a, b\}$  and  $\{b, c\}$  are  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed sets but their intersection  $\{b\}$  is not  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Remark: 3.24**  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed sets will not form a topology, as intersection of  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed sets is not a  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed set.

**Remark 3.25**  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed sets and  $\Lambda$ - $g$ -closed sets are independent as seen from the following examples.

**Example 3.26** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{X, \varphi, \{a, b\}\}$ . Then the subset  $\{a\}$  is  $\Lambda$ - $g$ -closed but not  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Example 3.27** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{X, \varphi, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Then the subset  $\{a, c\}$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed but not  $\Lambda$ - $g$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Remark 3.28**  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed sets and  $g$ -closed sets are independent.

**Proposition 3.29** In  $*T_{1/2}$ -space every  $g$ -closed set is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed set.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be a  $g$ -closed set of  $(X, \tau)$ . Since  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $*T_{1/2}$ -space,  $A$  is  $g^*$ -closed. By proposition 3.12 we have  $A$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed.

#### IV. Properties of $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed sets

**Theorem 4.1** Let  $A$  be a  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed subset of  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $cl_\lambda(A) - A$  contains no non-empty closed set in  $X$ .

**Proof:** Suppose that  $A$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed. Let  $F$  be a non empty closed subset of  $cl_\lambda(A) - A$ . Then  $F^c$  is open and hence  $g^*$ -open such that  $A \subseteq F^c$ . Since  $A$  is a  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed set,  $cl_\lambda(A) \subseteq F^c$ . Thus

$F \subseteq (cl_\lambda(A))^c$ . Since every closed set is  $\lambda$ -closed,  $F$  is  $\lambda$ -closed. Hence  $F \subseteq cl_\lambda(A)$ . Therefore  $F \subseteq [(cl_\lambda(A))^c \cap cl_\lambda(A)] = \emptyset$ . Hence  $F = \emptyset$ .

**Remark 4.2** The converse of the above theorem is not true as seen from the following example.

**Example 4.3** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  with  $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a, b\}\}$ . If  $A = \{b\}$  then  $cl_\lambda(A) - A = \{a, b\} - \{b\} = \{a\}$  does not contain non-empty closed set. However  $A$  is not  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed.

**Theorem 4.4** If a subset  $A$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ , then  $cl_\lambda(A) - A$  contains no non-empty  $g^*$ -closed set.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be a  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed set. Let  $F$  be a  $g^*$ -closed set contained in  $cl_\lambda(A) - A$ . Then  $F^c$  is a  $g^*$ -open set in  $X$  such that  $A \subseteq F^c$ . Since  $A$  is a  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed set of  $X$ ,  $cl_\lambda(A) \subseteq F^c$ . Thus  $F \subseteq (cl_\lambda(A))^c$ . Also  $F \subseteq cl_\lambda(A) - A$ . Therefore  $F \subseteq [(cl_\lambda(A))^c \cap cl_\lambda(A)] = \emptyset$ . Hence  $F = \emptyset$ .

**Proposition 4.5** If a subset  $A$  is  $g^*$ -open and  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $A$  is a  $\lambda$ -closed set of  $X$ .

**Proof:** Since  $A$  is  $g^*$ -open and  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed,  $cl_\lambda(A) \subseteq A$ . Hence  $A$  is  $\lambda$ -closed.

**Theorem 4.6** Let  $A$  be  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed and  $g^*$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ . If  $G$  is  $\lambda$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ , then  $A \cap G$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed.

**Proof:** Since  $A$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed and  $g^*$ -open,  $A$  is  $\lambda$ -closed by proposition 4.5. Therefore if  $G$  is  $\lambda$ -closed in  $X$ , then  $A \cap G$  is  $\lambda$ -closed in  $X$ , as the intersection of  $\lambda$ -closed sets is a  $\lambda$ -closed set. Hence by proposition 3.2,  $A \cap G$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed.

**Theorem 4.7** If  $A$  is a  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$  and  $A \subseteq B \subseteq cl_\lambda(A)$ . Then  $B$  is also a  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed set.

**Proof:** Let  $U$  be a  $g^*$ -open set of  $(X, \tau)$  such that  $B \subseteq U$ . Then  $A \subseteq U$ . Since  $A$  is a  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed set,  $cl_\lambda(A) \subseteq U$ . Also since  $B \subseteq cl_\lambda(A)$ ,  $cl_\lambda(B) \subseteq cl_\lambda(cl_\lambda(A)) = cl_\lambda(A)$ . Hence  $cl_\lambda(B) \subseteq U$ . Therefore  $B$  is also a  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 4.8** Let  $A$  be a  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $A$  is  $\lambda$ -closed if and only if  $cl_\lambda(A) - A$  is  $g^*$ -closed.

**Proof:(Necessity)** Let  $A$  be a  $\lambda$ -closed subset of  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $cl_\lambda(A) = A$  and therefore  $cl_\lambda(A) - A = \emptyset$  which is  $g^*$ -closed.

**Sufficiency:** Let  $cl_\lambda(A) - A$  be a  $g^*$ -closed set. Since  $A$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed by theorem 4.4  $cl_\lambda(A) - A$  contains no non-empty  $g^*$ -closed set which implies  $cl_\lambda(A) - A = \emptyset$  That is  $cl_\lambda(A) = A$ . Therefore  $A$  is  $\lambda$ -closed.

**Theorem 4.9** For each  $x \in (X, \tau)$  either  $\{x\}$  is  $g^*$ -closed or  $X - \{x\}$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Proof:** Let  $x \in X$  and suppose that  $\{x\}$  is not  $g^*$ -closed in  $X$ . Then  $X - \{x\}$  is not  $g^*$ -open in  $X$ . Hence  $X$  is the only  $g^*$ -open set containing  $X - \{x\}$ . That is  $(X - \{x\}) \subseteq X$ . Hence  $cl_\lambda(X - \{x\}) \subseteq X$  which implies that  $X - \{x\}$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Definition 4.10** The intersection of all  $g^*$ -open subsets of  $(X, \tau)$  containing  $A$  is called  $g^*$ -kernel of  $A$  and is denoted by  $g^* - \ker(A)$

i.e  $g^* - \ker(A) = \bigcap \{U / U \text{ is } g^* - \text{open in } (X, \tau) \text{ and } A \subseteq U\}$

**Theorem 4.11** A subset  $A$  of  $(X, \tau)$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed if and only if  $cl_\lambda(A) \subseteq g^* - \ker(A)$ .

**Proof:** suppose that  $A$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed in  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $cl_\lambda(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $g^*$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ . Let  $x \in cl_\lambda(A)$ . If  $x \notin g^* - \ker(A)$ , then there exists a set  $U \in g^*O(X, \tau)$  such that  $x \notin U$  and  $A \subseteq U$ . Since  $U$  is a  $g^*$ -open set containing  $A$ , we have  $x$  not belongs to  $cl_\lambda(A)$ , a contradiction.

Conversely, let  $cl_\lambda(A) \subseteq g^* - \ker(A)$ . If  $U$  is any  $g^*$ -open set containing  $A$ , then  $cl_\lambda(A) \subseteq g^* - \ker(A)$  we have  $cl_\lambda(A) \subseteq U$ . Hence  $A$  is  $g^{**}\Lambda$ -closed.

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