



\mathbb{I}_μ^* open sets in generalized topological spaces ¹

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Abstract

In this paper we have introduced two new types of sets termed as \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open sets and strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open sets and discussed some of its properties. The relation between similar types of sets, characterizations and some basic properties of such sets have been studied.

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1 Introduction

The concept of ideals on topological spaces was studied by Kuratowski [18] and Vaidyanat-haswamy [23] which is one of the important area of research in the branch of mathematics. After then different mathematicians applied the concept of ideals in topological spaces (see [1, 13, 16, 17, 19, 23, 20]). In the past few years mathematicians turned their attention towards generalized open sets (see [2, 3, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 21] for details). Our aim in this paper is to use the concept of ideals in generalized topology introduced by A. Császár. We recall some notions defined in [3].

Let $\exp X$ denotes the power set of a non-empty set X . A class μ ($\subseteq \exp X$) is called a generalized topology [3], (briefly, GT) if $\emptyset \in \mu$ and μ is closed under arbitrary union. The elements of μ are called μ -open sets and the complement of μ -open sets are known as μ -closed sets. A set X with a GT μ on it is known as a

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generalized topological space (briefly, GTS) and is denoted by (X, μ) . A GT μ is said to be a quasi topology (briefly QT) [5] if $M, M' \in \mu$ implies $M \cap M' \in \mu$. The pair (X, μ) is said to be a QTS if μ is a QT on X .

For any $A \subseteq X$, the generalized μ -closure of A is denoted by $c_\mu(A)$ and is defined by $c_\mu(A) = \cap\{F : F \text{ is } \mu\text{-closed and } A \subseteq F\}$, similarly $i_\mu(A) = \cup\{U : U \subseteq A \text{ and } U \in \mu\}$ (see [3, 6]). Throughout the paper μ, λ will always mean GT on the respective sets.

An ideal [18] \mathbb{I} on a generalized topological space (X, μ) is a non-empty collection of subsets of X with the following properties : (i) $A \subseteq B$ and $B \in \mathbb{I} \Rightarrow A \in \mathbb{I}$ (ii) $A \in \mathbb{I}, B \in \mathbb{I} \Rightarrow A \cup B \in \mathbb{I}$.

2 \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open sets

Definition 1 Let \mathbb{I} be an ideal on a GTS (X, μ) . A subset A of X is said to be an \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set if A is \emptyset or there exists a non-empty μ -open G such that $G \setminus c_\mu(A) \in \mathbb{I}$.

The complement of an \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set is known as an \mathbb{I}_μ^* -closed set.

Theorem 1 Let \mathbb{I} be an ideal on a GTS (X, μ) and $A \subseteq X$. Then A is an \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set in X if and only if $A = \emptyset$ or there exists a set $I \in \mathbb{I}$ and a non-empty μ -open set G such that $G \setminus I \subseteq c_\mu(A)$.

Proof. Let A be an \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set in X . If $A = \emptyset$ we have nothing to show. Suppose that $A \neq \emptyset$. Then there exists a non-empty μ -open set G such that $G \setminus c_\mu(A) \in \mathbb{I}$. Put $I = G \setminus c_\mu(A)$. Thus $I \in \mathbb{I}$ and $G \setminus I \subseteq c_\mu(A)$.

Conversely, suppose that $A = \emptyset$ or there exists a set $I \in \mathbb{I}$ and a non-empty μ -open set G such that $G \setminus I \subseteq c_\mu(A)$. Then $G \setminus c_\mu(A) \subseteq I$. Thus $G \setminus c_\mu(A) \in \mathbb{I}$ showing that A is an \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set. If $A = \emptyset$ then we have nothing to show.

Theorem 2 Let \mathbb{I} be an ideal on a GTS (X, μ) and $A \subseteq X$. Then A is an \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set in X if and only if either $A = \emptyset$ or there exists a non-empty μ -open G and $I \in \mathbb{I}$ such that $G \subseteq c_\mu(A) \cup I$.

Proof. Follows from Theorem 1.

Definition 2 [21] Let \mathbb{I} be an ideal on a GTS (X, μ) . A subset A of X is called weakly \mathbb{I}_μ -open if $A = \emptyset$ or if $A \neq \emptyset$, there exists a non-empty μ -open set U such that $U \setminus A \in \mathbb{I}$. The complement of a weakly \mathbb{I}_μ -open set is termed as a weakly \mathbb{I}_μ -closed set.

Remark 1 Every weakly \mathbb{I}_μ -open set in a GTS (X, μ) with an ideal \mathbb{I} is an \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set but the converse is not true as shown in the next example. Also we note that every μ -open set is \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open. In fact, $\mu\text{-open set} \Rightarrow \text{weakly } \mathbb{I}_\mu\text{-open set} \Rightarrow \mathbb{I}_\mu^*\text{-open set}$.

Example 1 Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\mu = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$ and $\mathbb{I} = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\}$. Then \mathbb{I} is an ideal on the GTS (X, μ) . It is easy to check that $\{b\}$ is an \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set but not a weakly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set (and hence not μ -open).

Observation 1 Let \mathbb{I} be an ideal on a GTS (X, μ) . Then every μ -closed, \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open subset is weakly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open. If \mathbb{I} and \mathbb{J} be two ideals on a GTS (X, μ) with $\mathbb{I} \subseteq \mathbb{J}$, then every \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set is \mathbb{J}_μ^* -open. If \mathbb{I} is an ideal and μ and λ be two GT's on X with $\mu \subseteq \lambda$, then every \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set is \mathbb{I}_λ^* -open.

Example 2 (a) Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\mu = \{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$ and $\mathbb{I} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$. Then \mathbb{I} is an ideal on the GTS (X, μ) . It is easy to check that $\{a, c\}$ and $\{b, c\}$ are two \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open sets but their intersection $\{c\}$ is not an \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set.

(b) Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\mu = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$, $\lambda = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$ and $\mathbb{I} = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\}$. Then \mathbb{I} be an ideal on the GTS's (X, μ) and (X, λ) . It is easy to check that the collection of \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open sets and \mathbb{I}_λ^* -open sets are same though μ and λ are not comparable.

(c) Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\mu = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$, $\mathbb{I} = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\}$ and $\mathbb{J} = \{\emptyset, \{c\}\}$. Then \mathbb{I} and \mathbb{J} are two ideals on the GTS (X, μ) . It is easy to check that the collection of \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open sets and \mathbb{J}_μ^* -open sets are same though \mathbb{I} and \mathbb{J} are not comparable.

Theorem 3 Let \mathbb{I} be an ideal on a GTS (X, μ) . Then the family of all \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open sets of (X, μ) is a GT on X .

Proof. Suppose that $\{A_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ be a family of \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open sets in (X, μ) . If $A_\alpha = \emptyset$ for all $\alpha \in \Lambda$, then we have nothing to show. Suppose that $A_\alpha \neq \emptyset$ for at least one $\alpha \in \Lambda$. Then there exists a non-empty μ -open set U such that $U \setminus c_\mu(A_\alpha) \in \mathbb{I}$. This implies that $U \setminus c_\mu(\cup\{A_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}) \subseteq U \setminus c_\mu(A_\alpha) \in \mathbb{I}$. Thus $U \setminus c_\mu(\cup\{A_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}) \in \mathbb{I}$. Hence $\cup\{A_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ is also \mathbb{I}_μ^* open. Also note that by definition \emptyset is an \mathbb{I}_μ^* open set.

Theorem 4 Let \mathbb{I} be an ideal on a topological space (X, τ) and $A \subseteq X$. Then the following are equivalent:

- (i) A is \mathbb{I}_μ^* -closed in X ,
- (ii) $A = X$ or there exists an element $I \in \mathbb{I}$ and a μ -closed set $K \neq X$ such that $i_\mu(A) \setminus I \subseteq K$,
- (iii) $A = X$ or there exists a μ -closed set $K \neq X$ such that $i_\mu(A) \setminus K \in \mathbb{I}$.

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii) : Let A be an \mathbb{I}_μ^* -closed set. Then either $A = X$ or $A \neq X$. If $A \neq X$, then $X \setminus A \neq \emptyset$ and $X \setminus A$ is \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open. Then there exists a non-empty μ -open set G such that $G \setminus c_\mu(X \setminus A) \in \mathbb{I}$. Put $I = G \setminus c_\mu(X \setminus A)$. Then $I \in \mathbb{I}$ and $G \subseteq X \setminus i_\mu(A) \cup I$. This implies that intersection of $X \setminus X \setminus i_\mu(A)$ and $X \setminus I$ is contained in $X \setminus G$. Put $K = X \setminus G$. Then K is μ -closed and $K \neq X$. Hence $i_\mu(A) \cap (X \setminus I)$ is contained in K . Hence $i_\mu(A) \setminus I \subseteq K$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i) : Suppose that $A = X$ or there exists an element $I \in \mathbb{I}$ and a μ -closed set $K \neq X$ such that $i_\mu(A) \setminus I \subseteq K$. If $A = X$, then A is \mathbb{I}_μ^* -closed. Assume that there exists an element $I \in \mathbb{I}$ and a μ -closed set $K \neq X$ such that $i_\mu(A) \setminus I \subseteq K$. Then $X \setminus K \subseteq (X \setminus i_\mu(A)) \cup I$. Take $U = X \setminus K$. Then U is μ -open and $U \subseteq c_\mu(Y \setminus A) \cup I$. Thus by Theorem 2, $X \setminus A$ is \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open and hence A is \mathbb{I}_μ^* -closed.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii) : Suppose that there exists an element $I \in \mathbb{I}$ and a μ -closed set $K \neq X$ such that $i_\mu(A) \setminus I \subseteq K$. Then $i_\mu(A) \setminus K \subseteq I$ and hence $i_\mu(A) \setminus K \in \mathbb{I}$.

(iii) \Rightarrow (ii) : Suppose that there exists a μ -closed set $K \neq X$ such that $i_\mu(A) \setminus K \in \mathbb{I}$. Let $I = i_\mu(A) \setminus K$. Then I is an element of \mathbb{I} and $i_\mu(A) \setminus I \subseteq K$.

Definition 3 Let (X, μ) be a GTS and $A \subseteq X$. Then A is called μ -dense [12, 7] if $c_\mu(A) = X$.

Theorem 5 Let \mathbb{I} be an ideal and $\mu(\neq \{\emptyset\})$ be a GT on X . If A is μ -dense, then A is \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open.

Proof. Let A be a μ -dense subset of X . Since $\mu \neq \{\emptyset\}$, there exists a non-empty set μ -open subset U of X . Then $U \setminus c_\mu(A) = U \setminus X = \emptyset \in \mathbb{I}$. Thus A is \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open.

Theorem 6 Let \mathbb{I} be an ideal on a GTS (X, μ) . If $A \in \mathbb{I} \cap \mu \setminus \{\emptyset\}$, then every subset B of X is \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open.

Proof. Let B be any subset of X . Then $A \setminus c_\mu(B) \in \mathbb{I}$ (as $A \setminus c_\mu(B) \subseteq A$). Hence B is \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open.

Example 3 $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\mu = \{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$ and $\mathbb{I} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$. Then \mathbb{I} is an ideal on the GTS (X, μ) . It can be checked easily that there does not exist any A such that $A \in \mathbb{I} \cap \mu \setminus \{\emptyset\}$ but every subset of X is \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open.

Definition 4 Let (X, μ) be a GTS and $A \subseteq X$. A is said to be μ -nowhere dense [12, 7] in (X, μ) if $i_\mu(c_\mu(A)) = \emptyset$.

Theorem 7 Let \mathbb{I} be an ideal on a GTS (X, μ) and $A(\neq \emptyset) \subseteq X$. If A is not a μ -nowhere dense set, then A is an \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set.

Proof. Let $A \neq \emptyset$ be not a μ -nowhere dense set. Then $i_\mu(c_\mu(A)) \neq \emptyset$. Also $i_\mu(c_\mu(A)) \subseteq c_\mu(A)$. Put $U = i_\mu(c_\mu(A))$. Then U is a non-empty μ -open set such that $U \setminus c_\mu(A) \in \mathbb{I}$. Thus A is an \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set.

Theorem 8 Let \mathbb{I} be an ideal on a GTS (X, μ) . Let $A \neq \emptyset$ be an \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set and $A \subseteq B$. Then B is an \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set.

Proof. Let $A \neq \emptyset$ be an \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set. Then there exists a non-empty μ -open set U such that $U \setminus c_\mu(A) \in \mathbb{I}$. Then $U \setminus c_\mu(B) \subseteq U \setminus c_\mu(A) \in \mathbb{I}$. Thus B is an \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set.

We recall that a subset A of a GTS (X, μ) is called μ -semiopen [4] if $A \subseteq i_\mu(c_\mu(A))$ and the complement of a μ -semiopen set is known as μ -semiclosed.

Theorem 9 Let \mathbb{I} be an ideal on a GTS (X, μ) . Then $\{x\}$ is either μ -semiclosed or an \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set.

Proof. If $\{x\}$ is μ -semiclosed, then we have nothing to show. If $\{x\}$ is not μ -semiclosed, then $i_\mu(c_\mu(\{x\})) \not\subseteq \{x\}$. Then $i_\mu(c_\mu(\{x\})) \setminus c_\mu(\{x\}) \in \mathbb{I}$.

Definition 5 A GTS (X, μ) is said to be μ -locally indiscrete if every μ -open set is μ -closed.

Theorem 10 Let \mathbb{I} be an ideal on a GTS (X, μ) . If (X, μ) is μ -locally indiscrete, then every subset of X is \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open.

Proof. Suppose $A \subseteq X$. Then if $A = \emptyset$ we have nothing to show. Thus without loss of generality we may assume that $A \neq \emptyset$. Since X is μ -locally indiscrete, $c_\mu(A)$ is μ -open. Also $c_\mu(A) \neq \emptyset$. Let $U = c_\mu(A)$. Then $U \setminus c_\mu(A) \in \mathbb{I}$. Thus A is an \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set.

3 Strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open sets

Definition 6 Let \mathbb{I} be an ideal in a GTS (X, μ) . A subset A of X is said to be a strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set if A is \emptyset or there exists a non-empty μ -open G such that $G \setminus A \in \mathbb{I}$ and $A \setminus c_\mu(G) \in \mathbb{I}$.

We note from Definitions 1 and 6 that every μ -open set is a strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set but the converse is not true. Also, every strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set is an \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set.

Example 4 Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\mu = \{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$ and $\mathbb{I} = \{\{\emptyset\}, \{a\}\}$. It is easy to observe that $\{b\}$ is a strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set which is not μ -open. $\{a\}$ is an \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set but not a strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set. Also note that $\{a, b\}$ and $\{a, c\}$ are two strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open sets but their intersection is not so.

Theorem 11 Let \mathbb{I} be an ideal in a GTS (X, μ) and suppose that there exists a μ -open μ -dense set $A \in \mathbb{I}$. Then every subset B of X is strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open.

Proof. Let B be any subset of X . Note that $A \setminus B \in \mathbb{I}$ (as $A \setminus B \subseteq A \in \mathbb{I}$). Furthermore, $B \setminus c_\mu(A) = B \setminus X = \emptyset \in \mathbb{I}$.

Proposition 1 Let \mathbb{I} be an ideal in a GTS (X, μ) and suppose that $A \subseteq B \subseteq c_\mu(A)$ for some μ -open subset A of X . Then B is a strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set.

Proof. Obvious.

Definition 7 A GTS (X, μ) is said to be μ -irreducible [22] if for any two non-empty μ -open sets U and V of X , $U \cap V \neq \emptyset$.

Definition 8 A GTS (X, μ) is called hyperconnected [12] if every non-empty μ -open subset of X is μ -dense.

Remark 2 A GTS (X, μ) is hyperconnected [12] if and only if (X, μ) is μ -irreducible.

Proposition 2 Let \mathbb{I} be an ideal in a GTS (X, μ) and suppose that every non-empty μ -open subset of X is μ -dense and let A be a strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set.

- (i) If $A \subseteq B$, then B is a strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set.
- (ii) For any subset B of X , $A \cup B$ is a strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set.
- (iii) Moreover if μ is closed under finite intersection and (X, μ) is hyperconnected, then intersection of two strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open sets is strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open.

Proof. (i) Suppose that A is a strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set and $A \subseteq B$. Then there exists a non-empty μ -open set G such that $G \setminus A \in \mathbb{I}$ and $A \setminus c_\mu(G) \in \mathbb{I}$. Since $A \subseteq B$, $G \setminus B \subseteq G \setminus A \in \mathbb{I}$ and $B \setminus c_\mu(G) = B \setminus X = \emptyset \in \mathbb{I}$.

(ii) Follows from (i) as $A \subseteq A \cup B$.

(iii) Let A and B be two strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open sets. If $A \cap B = \emptyset$, then there is nothing to show. Suppose that $A \cap B \neq \emptyset$. Then there exist non-empty μ -open sets G and H such that $G \setminus A \in \mathbb{I}$, $A \setminus c_\mu(G) \in \mathbb{I}$, $H \setminus B \in \mathbb{I}$ and $B \setminus c_\mu(H) \in \mathbb{I}$. Consider the μ -open set $G \cap H$ which is non-empty (as (X, μ) is hyperconnected). Since $G \cap H \setminus (A \cap B) = [(G \setminus A) \cap H] \cup [(H \setminus B) \cap G] \in \mathbb{I}$, $A \cap B \setminus c_\mu(G \cap H) = (A \cap B) \setminus X = \emptyset \in \mathbb{I}$. Thus $A \cap B$ is strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open.

Proposition 3 Let \mathbb{I} be an ideal in a QTS (X, μ) and suppose that every non-empty μ -open set is μ -dense. Then a non μ -dense subset A is strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open if and only if $c_\mu(A)$ is strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open.

Proof. Let A be a strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open set. Then as $A \subseteq c_\mu(A)$, by Proposition 2(i), $c_\mu(A)$ is also strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open. Conversely, suppose that $c_\mu(A)$ is strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open which is not μ -dense. Then there exists a non-empty μ -open set G such that $G \setminus c_\mu(A)$ and $c_\mu(A) \setminus c_\mu(G)$ are both members of \mathbb{I} . Consider the μ -open set $H = G \setminus c_\mu(A) = G \cap (X \setminus c_\mu(A)) \in \mathbb{I}$. We observe that $H \neq \emptyset$. For otherwise, $G \subseteq c_\mu(A) \Rightarrow c_\mu(A) = X$. Again $H \setminus A = [G \cap (X \setminus c_\mu(A))] \cap (X \setminus A) \subseteq G \cap (X \setminus c_\mu(A)) \in \mathbb{I}$. Thus $H \setminus A \in \mathbb{I}$. Again $A \setminus c_\mu(H) = A \setminus c_\mu(G \cap (X \setminus c_\mu(A))) = A \setminus X = \emptyset \in \mathbb{I}$.

Theorem 12 Let \mathbb{I} be an ideal in a GTS (X, μ) . Then $X \setminus A$ is strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open if and only if there exists a μ -closed set F such that $i_\mu(F) \setminus A \in \mathbb{I}$ and $A \setminus F \in \mathbb{I}$.

Proof. Suppose that $X \setminus A$ is strongly \mathbb{I}_μ^* -open. Then there exists a μ -open set G such that $(G \setminus (X \setminus A)) = A \setminus (X \setminus G) \in \mathbb{I}$ and $(X \setminus A) \setminus c_\mu(G) = i_\mu(X \setminus G) \setminus A \in \mathbb{I}$. Let $F = X \setminus G$. Then F is μ -closed and the rest follows. The converse part can be done in a similar manner.

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