



On soft b^* -closed sets in soft topological space

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Abstract

In this paper, we introduce and study a new class of soft sets, called soft b^* -closed and soft b^* -open sets. We study several characterizations and properties of these classes of sets.

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1. Introduction and Preliminaries

In 1999, Molodtsov [8], instigated The concept of soft set as a new Mathematical tool to deal with uncertainties problems in different fields of science. Kannan [7] defined soft generalized closed and open sets in soft topological spaces. I. Arockiarani and A. Arokialancy [10] defined soft β -open sets and continued to study weak forms of soft open sets in soft topological space.

Later, Akdag and Ozkan [1] defined soft α -open, while the soft b -open are studied by Metin and Alkan [2]. The b^* -closed sets were studied by S. Muthuvel, R. Parimelazhagan [9]. In this work we introduce the soft version of b^* -open sets and b^* -closed sets, and study some properties of these sets and give some new result in this filed.

Definition 1.1. [8] Let Z be an initial universe set, $P(Z)$ the power set of Z , and A a set of parameters. A pair (F, A) , where F is a map from A to $P(Z)$, is called a soft set over Z . In what follows we denote by $SS(Z, A)$ the family of all soft sets over Z .

Definition 1.2. [8] The soft set $(F, A) \in SS(Z, A)$, where $F(p) = \phi$, for every $p \in A$ is called A -null soft set of $SS(Z, A)$ and denoted by $\tilde{\phi}$. The soft set $(F, A) \in SS(Z, A)$, where $F(p) = Z$, for every $p \in A$ is called the A -absolute soft set of $SS(Z, A)$ and denoted by \tilde{Z} .

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Definition 1.3. [8] Let τ be a collection of soft open sets over Z , then τ is said to be soft topological space if

- (1) $\tilde{\phi}$ and \tilde{Z} belong to τ .
- (2) The union of any subcollection of soft sets of τ belongs to τ .
- (3) the intersection of any two soft sets in τ belongs to τ .

Definition 1.4. [10] Let (Z, τ, A) be a soft topological space and $(F, A) \in SS(Z, A)$. Then

- (1) The soft closure of (F, A) is the soft set $cl(F, A) = \cap\{(S, A) : (S, A) \in \tau^c, (F, A) \subseteq (S, A)\}$.
- (2) The soft interior of (F, A) is the soft set $int(F, A) = \cup\{(S, A) : (S, A) \in \tau, (S, A) \subseteq (F, A)\}$.

Definition 1.5. A soft set (F, A) of a soft topological space (Z, τ, A) is said to be

- (1) Soft α -open [2] if $(F, A) \subset int(cl(int((F, A))))$,
- (2) Soft preopen [4] if $(F, A) \subset int(cl((F, A)))$,
- (3) Soft semi - open [1] if $(F, A) \subset cl(int((F, A)))$,
- (4) Soft β -open [4] if $(F, A) \subset cl(int(cl((F, A))))$.

Definition 1.6. [2] A set $(P, A) \in SS(Z, A)$ is called Soft b-open [Soft b-closed] iff $(P, A) \subset int(cl((P, A))) \cup cl(int((P, A)))$ [$(P, A) \supset int(cl((P, A))) \cap cl(int((P, A)))$], We denote it by sb-open (sb-closed). We will denoted the family of all soft b-open sets by $SbO(Z)$.

Definition 1.7. [6] A set $(P, A) \in SS(Z, A)$ is called soft bc-open (sbc-open) if for any $x \in (P, A) \in SbO(Z)$, there is a soft closed set (S, A) such that $x \in (S, A) \subset (P, A)$.

Definition 1.8. [7] Let (Z, τ, A) be a soft topological space. A subset (S, A) of Z is said to be soft generalized closed in Z if $cl(S, A) \subseteq (L, B)$ whenever $(S, A) \subseteq (L, B)$ where (L, B) is soft open set in Z . we denote it by sg - closed.

Definition 1.9. Let (P, A) be a soft set of a soft topological space (Z, τ, A) , then

- (1) [10] Soft pre-intirior of (P, A) in Z is defined by

$$sPint((P, A)) = \cup\{(L, A) : (L, A) \text{ is a soft preopen set and } (L, A) \subset (P, A)\}.$$
- (2) Soft pre-closure of (P, A) in Z is defined by

$$sPcl((P, A)) = \cap\{(H, A) : (H, A) \text{ is a soft preclosed set and } (P, A) \subset (H, A)\}.$$
- (3) [2] Soft b-interior of (P, A) in Z is defined by

$$sbint((P, A)) = \cup\{(L, A) : (L, A) \text{ is a soft b-open set and } (L, A) \subset (P, A)\}.$$
- (4) Soft b-closure of a soft set (P, A) in Z is defined by

$$sbcl((P, A)) = \cap\{(H, E) : (H, E) \text{ is a soft b-closed set and } (P, A) \subset (H, E)\}.$$

Clearly $sbcl((P, A))$ (resp., $sPcl((P, A))$) is the smallest soft b -closed (resp. soft pre-closed) set over Z which contains (P, A) and $sbint((N, A))$ (resp. $sPint((P, A))$) is the largest soft b -open (resp. soft pre-open) set over Z which is contained in (P, A) .

Definition 1.10. [3] Let (Z, τ, A) be a soft topological space. A soft set (S, A) of Z is said to be Soft generalized b -closed (briefly soft gb -closed) if $sbcl(S, A) \subseteq (P, B)$ whenever $(S, A) \subseteq (P, B)$ and $(P, B) \in \tau$.

The main results In this part we go to introduce the concepts of: soft b^* -closed, soft b^* -open sets and give some properties of these two concepts, moreover, we study the relation between these new concepts. Now we give the main part of this work,

2. Soft b^* -closed and some properties

Definition 2.1. A soft set (P, A) of a soft topological space (Z, τ, A) is called a Soft b^* -closed (briefly sb^* -closed) if $int(cl(P, A)) \subseteq (S, A)$, whenever $(P, A) \subset (S, A)$ and (S, A) is soft b -open.

Theorem 2.2. If a soft subset (S, A) of a soft topological space Z is soft b -closed then it is Soft b^* -closed.

Proof . Suppose (S, A) is a soft b -closed, let (L, A) be an open set containing (S, A) in Z , then $cl(S, A) \subset (L, A)$. Now $int(cl(S, A)) \subset cl(S, A) \subset (L, A)$. Thus (S, A) is Soft b^* -closed. \square

Remark 2.3. The following example shows that the converse of the theorem 2.2 need not true in general.

Example 2.4. Let $Z = \{h_1, h_2, h_3, h_4\}$, $A = \{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$ and $\tau = \{\tilde{\phi}, \tilde{Z}, (P_1, A), (P_2, A), \dots, (P_{15}, A)\}$ where $(P_1, A), (P_2, A), \dots, (P_{15}, A)$ are soft set over Z , define as follows:

- $(P_1, A) = \{(e_1, \{h_1\}), (e_2, \{h_2, h_3\}), (e_3, \{h_1, h_4\})\}$,
- $(P_2, A) = \{(e_1, \{h_2, h_4\}), (e_2, \{h_1, h_3, h_4\}), (e_3, \{h_1, h_2, h_4\})\}$,
- $(P_3, A) = \{(e_2, \{h_3\}), (e_3, \{h_1\})\}$,
- $(P_4, A) = \{(e_1, \{h_1, h_2, h_4\}), (e_2, \tilde{Z}), (e_3, \tilde{Z})\}$,
- $(P_5, A) = \{(e_1, \{h_1, h_3\}), (e_2, \{h_2, h_4\}), (e_3, \{h_2\})\}$,
- $(P_6, A) = \{(e_1, \{h_1\}), (e_2, \{h_2\})\}$,
- $(P_7, A) = \{(e_1, \{h_1, h_3\}), (e_2, \{h_2, h_3, h_4\}), (e_3, \{h_1, h_2, h_4\})\}$,
- $(P_8, A) = \{(e_2, \{h_4\}), (e_3, \{h_2\})\}$,
- $(P_9, A) = \{(e_1, \tilde{Z}), (e_2, \tilde{Z}), (e_3, \{h_1, h_2, h_3\})\}$,
- $(P_{10}, A) = \{(e_1, \{h_1, h_3\}), (e_2, \{h_2, h_3, h_4\}), (e_3, \{h_1, h_2\})\}$,
- $(P_{11}, A) = \{(e_1, \{h_2, h_3, h_4\}), (e_2, \tilde{Z}), (e_3, \{h_1, h_2, h_3\})\}$,
- $(P_{12}, A) = \{(e_1, \{h_1\}), (e_2, \{h_2, h_3, h_4\}), (e_3, \{h_1, h_2, h_4\})\}$,
- $(P_{13}, A) = \{(e_1, \{h_1\}), (e_2, \{h_2, h_4\}), (e_3, \{h_2\})\}$,
- $(P_{14}, A) = \{(e_1, \{h_3, h_4\}), (e_2, \{h_1, h_2\})\}$,
- $(P_{15}, A) = \{(e_1, \{h_1\}), (e_3, \{h_2, h_3\}), (e_3, \{h_1\})\}$.

Then τ is a soft topology on Z , and soft closed sets are $\tilde{Z}, \tilde{\phi}, (P_1, A)^c, (P_2, A)^c, (P_3, A)^c, \dots, (P_{15}, A)^c$. Let us take $(K, A) = \{(e_1, \{h_2, h_4\}), (e_2, \{h_1, h_3\}), (e_3, \{h_1, h_3, h_4\})\}$ is sb-open and take $(M, A) = \{(e_1, \{h_2\}), (e_2, \{h_1\}), (e_3, \{h_1, h_3\})\}$ is a soft set where $(M, A) \subset (K, A)$ then (M, A) is sb*-closed but not sb-closed.

Theorem 2.5. *If a soft subset (S, A) of space Z is both soft open and sb*-closed then it is soft closed.*

Proof . *Suppose a subset (S, A) of Z is both soft open and soft sb*-closed. Now $\text{int}(\text{cl}(S, A)) \subseteq \text{cl}(S, A) \subseteq (S, A)$. Then $\text{cl}(S, A) \subseteq (S, A)$. Therefore (S, A) is closed. \square*

Theorem 2.6. *A soft set (P, A) is sb*-closed if and only if $\text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A)) - (P, A)$ contains no non-empty soft closed set.*

Proof . *Suppose (S, A) is a non-empty soft closed subset of $\text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A))$. Now $\text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A)) - (P, A) \subseteq (P, A)$ implies $\text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A)) \cap (P, A)^c \subseteq (S, A)$, since $\text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A)) - (P, A) = \text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A)) \cap (P, A)^c$. Thus $\text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A)) \subseteq (S, A)$. Now $(P, A)^c \subseteq (S, A)$ implies $(S, A)^c \subseteq (P, A)$. Here $(S, A)^c$ is soft open and (P, A) is sb*-closed, we have $(S, A)^c \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A))$. Thus $(S, A) \subseteq [\text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A))]^c$. Hence $\text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A)) \cap [\text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A))]^c \subseteq (S, A) = \phi$. i.e. $(S, A) = \phi$ implies $\text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A)) - (P, A)$ contains no non empty soft closed set. Conversely, Let $(K, A) \subseteq (P, A)$ is sb-open. Suppose that $\text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A))$ is contained in (K, A) , then $\text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A)) \cap (K, A)^c$ is a non-empty soft closed set of $\text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A)) - (P, A)$ which is contradiction. Therefore $(K, A) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A))$ and hence (P, A) is sb*-closed. \square*

Corollary 2.7. *Let (F, A) be a sgb-closed set then (P, A) is sb*-closed if and only if $\text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A)) - (P, A)$ is soft closed.*

Proof . *Let (P, A) be sgb-closed set. If (P, A) is sb*-closed, then we have $\text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A)) - (F, A) = \phi$ which is soft closed set. Conversely, let $\text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A)) - (P, A)$ be soft closed. Then by 2.6 $\text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A)) - (P, A)$ doesn't contain a non-empty soft closed subset and since $\text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A))$ is soft closed subset of itself.*

Then $\text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A)) - (P, A) = \phi$. Thus implies that $(P, A) = \text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A))$ and so (P, A) is sb-closed. \square*

Theorem 2.8. *Let $(S, A) \subseteq (P, A) \subseteq Z$, (S, A) is sb*-closed set relative to (P, A) and (P, A) is both sb-open and sb*-closed subset of Z , then (S, A) is sb*-closed set relative to Z .*

Proof . *Let $(K, A) \subseteq (S, A)$ and (K, A) be a sb-open set in Z . But given that $(S, A) \subseteq (P, A) \subseteq Z$, therefore $(S, A) \subseteq (P, A)$ and $(K, A) \subseteq (S, A)$. This implies $(P, A) \cap (K, A) = (S, A)$. Since (S, A) is sb*-closed set relative to (P, A) , $(P, A) \cap (K, A) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A))$. i.e. $(P, A) \cap (K, A) \subseteq (P, A) \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A))$ implies $(K, A) \subseteq (P, A) \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A))$.*

Thus $(K, A) \cup [\text{int}(\text{cl}(S, A))]^c \subseteq (P, A) \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(S, A)) \cup [\text{int}(\text{cl}(S, A))]^c$ implies $(K, A) \cup [\text{int}(\text{cl}(S, A))]^c \subseteq (P, A) \cup [\text{int}(\text{cl}(S, A))]^c$. Since (P, A) is sb-closed in Z , we have $(K, A) \cup [\text{int}(\text{cl}(S, A))]^c \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A))$.*

Also $(S, A) \subseteq (P, A)$ implies $\text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A)) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(S, A))$.

Thus $(K, A) \cup [\text{int}(\text{cl}(S, A))]^c \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A)) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(S, A))$. Therefore $(K, A) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(S, A))$, since $\text{int}(\text{cl}(S, A))$ is not contained in $[\text{int}(\text{cl}(S, A))]^c$. Thus (S, A) is sb-closed relative to Z . \square*

Theorem 2.9. *Let $(P, A) \subseteq Y \subseteq Z$ and supposed that (P, A) is sb*-closed in Z then (P, A) is sb*-closed in Y .*

Proof . *Given that $(P, A) \subseteq Y \subseteq Z$ and (P, A) is sb*-closed in Z . To show that (P, A) is sb*-closed relative to Y . Let $Y \cap (S, A) \subseteq (P, A)$ where (S, A) is sb-open in Z . Since (P, A) is sb*-closed in Z , $(S, A) \subseteq (P, A)$ implies $(S, A) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A))$ i.e. $Y \cap (S, A) \subseteq Y \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A))$ where $Y \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A))$ is interior of closure of (P, A) in Y . This (P, A) is sb*-closed in Y . \square*

Theorem 2.10. *If a soft subset (P, A) of a soft topological space (Z, τ, A) is soft preclosed then it is sb^* -closed.*

Proof . *Suppose (P, A) is soft preclosed, (S, A) be a sb -open set containing (P, A) . All (P, A) is preclosed $(P, A) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(P, A))$. Thus (P, A) is sb^* -closed in Z . \square*

Remark 2.11. *The following example shows that the converse of the theorem 2.10 need not true in general.*

Example 2.12. *Let $Z = \{h_1, h_2, h_3, h_4\}, A = \{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$ and let (Z, τ, A) be soft topological space. consider the soft topology τ on Z given in example 2.4.*

Then, let us take soft set $(S, A) = \{(e_1, \{h_2, h_4\}), (e_2, \{h_3\}), (e_3, \{h_1\})\}$, then $\text{int}(\text{cl}(S, A)) = \{(e_3, \{h_1\}), (e_2, \{h_3\})\} \subseteq (K, A)$ whenever $(S, A) \subseteq (K, A)$ and (K, A) is sb -open. Therefore, (S, A) is sb^ -closed set but not soft preclosed set.*

Theorem 2.13. *Every soft α -closed set is soft b^* -closed.*

Proof . *Suppose (P, A) be a soft α -closed set in Z . Let (S, A) be a soft open set in Z such that $(P, A) \subseteq (S, A)$. Since (P, A) is soft α -closed set. Then $\text{sacl}(P, A) \subseteq (S, A)$.*

Now $\alpha\text{cl}(P, A) \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(P, A)) \subseteq (S, A)$. Since every soft open is soft b -open.

Therefore, (P, A) is soft b^ -closed set in Z . \square*

3. Soft b^* -open sets

Definition 3.1. *A soft set (P, A) is called Soft b^* -open set (briefly sb^* -open) if it's complement $(P, A)^c$ is soft b^* -closed. The family of all sets of sb^* -open denoted by $Sb^*O(Z)$.*

Theorem 3.2. *If a set (P, A) of a soft topological space Z is sg -open, then it is sb^* -open but not conversely.*

Proof . *Let (P, A) be a sg -open set in space Z . Then $(P, A)^c$ is sb^* -closed. Therefore (P, A) is sb^* -open in Z . \square*

Remark 3.3. *The following example shows that the converse of the Theorem 3.2 need not true in general.*

Example 3.4. *Let $Z = \{h_1, h_2, h_3, h_4\}, A = \{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$ and let (Z, τ, A) be soft topological space over Z . consider the soft topology τ on Z given in example 2.4.*

Then, let us take soft set $(M, A) = \{(e_1, \{h_1, h_3\}), (e_2, \{h_1, h_2, h_4\}), (e_3, \{h_2, h_3, h_4\})\}$ is soft sb^ -open but not soft g -open.*

Theorem 3.5. *A set (S, A) of space Z is sb^* -open if and only if $(P, A) \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(S, A))$ whenever (P, A) is soft closed and $(P, A) \subseteq (S, A)$.*

Proof . *We have (S, A) is sb^* -open. Then $(S, A)^c$ is sb^* -closed. Let (P, A) be a soft closed set in Z contained in (S, A) , then $(P, A)^c$ is an open set in Z containing $(S, A)^c$. Since $(S, A)^c$ is sb^* -closed, $\text{int}(\text{cl}(S, A)^c) \subseteq (P, A)^c$ taking complement on both sides, then $(P, A) \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(S, A))^c$. Conversely, we have $(P, A)^c$ is contained in $\text{cl}(\text{int}(S, A))$ whenever (P, A) is contained in (S, A) and (P, A) is soft closed in Z . Let (K, A) be a soft open set containing $(P, A)^c$, then $(K, A)^c \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(S, A)^c)$ taking complement on both side we get $\text{int}(\text{cl}(S, A)^c) \subseteq (K, A)$. Hence $(S, A)^c$ is sb^* -closed. Therefore (S, A) is sb^* -open. \square*

Theorem 3.6. *The following are true in general.*

- (1) Every soft open is soft b^* -open.
- (2) Every soft α -open is soft b^* -open.
- (3) Every soft b^* -open set is soft b -open.

Proof . The proof is Obvious. \square

Definition 3.7. Let (Z, τ, A) be a soft topological space. A subset $(F, A) \subseteq Z$ is called a sb^* -neighbourhood (briefly sb^* -nbd) of a point $x \in Z$ if there exists an sb^* -open set (P, A) such that $x \in (P, A) \subseteq (F, A)$.

Definition 3.8. Let (Z, τ, A) be a soft topological space. A subset $(F, A) \subseteq Z$ is called a sb^* -neighbourhood of $(S, A) \subseteq Z$ if there exists an sb^* -open set (P, A) such that $(S, A) \in (P, A) \subseteq (F, A)$.

Remark 3.9. The family of all sb^* -neighbourhood of a point $x \in Z$ is a sb^* -neighbourhood system of x and it denoted by $sb^*N(x)$.

Theorem 3.10. Let (Z, τ, A) be a soft topological space and for each $x \in Z$, then we have the following result:

- (1) For every $x \in Z$, $sb^*N(x) \neq \phi$.
- (2) $(N, A) \in sb^*N(x) \implies x \in (N, A)$.
- (3) $(N, A) \in sb^*N(x), (N, A) \subseteq (M, A) \implies (M, A) \in sb^*N(x)$.
- (4) $(N, A) \in sb^*N(x), (N, A) \implies$ there exists $(M, A) \in sb^*N(x)$ such that $(M, A) \subseteq (N, A)$ and $(M, A) \in sb^*N(y)$ for every $y \in (M, A)$.

Proof .

- (1) Since Z is a sb^* -open set, it is an sb^* -neighbourhood for every $x \in Z$. Hence $sb^*N(x) \neq \phi$ for every $x \in Z$.
- (2) If $(N, A) \in sb^*N(x)$, then (N, A) is an sb^* -neighbourhood of x . By definition of sb^* -neighbourhood, $x \in (N, A)$.
- (3) Let $(N, A) \in sb^*N(x)$ and $(N, A) \subseteq (M, A)$. Then there is an sb^* -open set (P, A) such that $x \in (P, A) \subseteq (N, A)$, since $(N, A) \subseteq (M, A), x \in (P, A) \subseteq (M, A)$. Therefore, (M, A) is an sb^* -neighbourhood of x . Hence $(M, A) \in sb^*N(x)$.
- (4) If $(N, A) \in sb^*N(x)$, then $x \in (M, A) \subseteq (N, A)$, where (M, A) is an sb^* -open set, then it is an sb^* -neighbourhood of each its points. Therefore, $(M, A) \in sb^*N(y)$ for every $y \in (M, A)$.

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Definition 3.11. Let (P, A) be a soft subset of Z . Then $sb^*int(P, A) = \cup\{(L, A) : (L, A) \text{ is a soft } b^* \text{- open set and } (L, A) \subset (P, A)\}$.

Definition 3.12. Let (P, A) be a soft subset of Z . A point $x \in Z$ is said to be an sb^*int point of (P, A) if (P, A) is an sb^* -neighbourhood of x .

Proposition 3.13. *Let (P, A) be a soft subset of Z , then $sb^*int(P, A) = \cup\{x : x \text{ is an interior point of } (P, A)\}$.*

Proof . *Let (P, A) be a soft subset of Z , then*

$x \in sb^*int(P, A) \iff x \in \cup\{(L, A) : (L, A) \text{ is a soft } b^* - \text{open set and } (L, A) \subset (P, A)\}$.

\iff *there exists an sb^* -open set (L, A) such that $x \in (L, A) \subseteq (P, A)$.*

$\iff (P, A)$ *is an sb^*nbd of the point x*

$\iff x$ *is an sb^*int point of (P, A) .*

Hence $sb^*int(P, A) = \cup\{x : x \text{ is an interior point of } (P, A)\}$. \square

Theorem 3.14. *In a soft topological space Z the following hold for sb^*int .*

- (1) $sb^*int(Z) = Z$ and $sb^*int(\phi) = \phi$.
- (2) $sb^*int(P, A) \subseteq (P, A)$.
- (3) If (S, A) is any sb^*int -open set contained in (P, A) , then $(S, A) \subseteq sb^*int(P, A)$.
- (4) If $(P, A) \subseteq (S, A)$, then $sb^*int(P, A) \subseteq sb^*int(S, A)$.
- (5) $sb^*int(sb^*int(P, A)) = sb^*int(P, A)$.
- (6) $sb^*int(Z - (P, A)) \subseteq Z - (sb^*int(P, A))$.
- (7) $sb^*int((P, A) - (S, A)) \subseteq sb^*int(P, A) - sb^*int(S, A)$.

Proof . *The proof is Obvious.* \square

Theorem 3.15. *If a soft subset (P, A) of Z is sb^* -open, then $sb^*int(P, A) = (P, A)$.*

Proof . *Let (P, A) be an sb^* -open set of Z . we know that $sb^*int(P, A) \subseteq (P, A)$. Since (P, A) is an sb^* -open set contained in (P, A) . By Theorem 3.14 (3), $(P, A) \subseteq sb^*int(P, A)$ implying $sb^*int(P, A) = (P, A)$. \square*

Theorem 3.16. *If (P, A) and (S, A) are soft subsets of Z , then $sb^*int(P, A) \cup sb^*int(S, A) \subseteq sb^*int((P, A) \cup (S, A))$.*

Proof . *We know that $(P, A) \subseteq (P, A) \cup (S, A)$ and $(S, A) \subseteq (P, A) \cup (S, A)$. So $sb^*int(P, A) \subseteq sb^*int((P, A) \cup (S, A))$ and $sb^*int(S, A) \subseteq sb^*int((P, A) \cup (S, A))$. This implies that $sb^*int(P, A) \cup sb^*int(S, A) \subseteq sb^*int((P, A) \cup (S, A))$. \square*

Definition 3.17. *Let (P, A) be a soft subset of a soft space Z . Then the soft b^* -closure of (P, A) is defined as the intersection of all soft b^* -closed set containing (P, A) , that is $sb^*cl(P, A) = \cap\{(H, E) : (H, E) \text{ is a soft } b^* - \text{closed set and } (P, A) \subset (H, E)\}$.*

Theorem 3.18. *If (P, A) and (S, A) are soft subset of a space Z , then*

- (1) $sb^*cl(Z) = Z$ and $sb^*cl(\phi) = \phi$.
- (2) $(P, A) \subseteq sb^*cl(P, A)$.
- (3) If (S, A) is any sb^* -closed set containing (P, A) , then $sb^*cl(P, A) \subseteq (S, A)$.
- (4) If $(P, A) \subseteq (S, A)$, then $sb^*cl(P, A) \subseteq sb^*cl(S, A)$.

$$(5) \text{ sb}^*cl(P, A) = \text{sb}^*cl(\text{sb}^*cl(P, A)).$$

Proof . *The proof is Obvious.* \square

Theorem 3.19. *If a soft subset (P, A) of Z is sb^* -closed, then $\text{sb}^*cl(P, A) = (P, A)$.*

Proof . *Let (P, A) be an sb^* -closed set of Z . Since $(P, A) \subseteq Z$ and (P, A) is an sb^* -closed set $\text{sb}^*cl(P, A) \subseteq (P, A)$, also $(P, A) \subseteq \text{sb}^*cl(P, A)$. Hence $\text{sb}^*cl(P, A) = (P, A)$. \square*

Theorem 3.20. *If (P, A) and (S, A) are soft subsets of Z , then $\text{sb}^*cl((P, A) \cap (S, A)) \subseteq \text{sb}^*cl(P, A) \cap \text{sb}^*cl(S, A)$.*

Proof . *Let (P, A) and (S, A) is a soft subset of Z . Clearly $(P, A) \cap (S, A) \subseteq (P, A)$ and $(P, A) \cap (S, A) \subseteq (S, A)$, then $\text{sb}^*cl((P, A) \cap (S, A)) \subseteq \text{sb}^*cl(P, A)$ and $\text{sb}^*cl((P, A) \cap (S, A)) \subseteq \text{sb}^*cl(S, A)$. Hence $\text{sb}^*cl((P, A) \cap (S, A)) \subseteq \text{sb}^*cl(P, A) \cap \text{sb}^*cl(S, A)$. \square*

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