



# 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  $\beta$ -open sets and continued to study weak forms of soft open sets in soft topological space.

Later, Akdag and Ozkan [1] defined soft  $\alpha$ -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  $\tau$  be a collection of soft open sets over  $Z$ , then  $\tau$  is said to be soft topological space if

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

**Definition 1.4.** [10] Let  $(Z, \tau, A)$  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  $(Z, \tau, A)$  is said to be

- (1) Soft  $\alpha$ -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  $\beta$ -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  $(Z, \tau, A)$  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  $(Z, \tau, A)$ , 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  $(Z, \tau, A)$  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  $(Z, \tau, A)$  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  $\tau$  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  $(Z, \tau, A)$  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  $(Z, \tau, A)$  be soft topological space. consider the soft topology  $\tau$  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  $\alpha$ -closed set is soft  $b^*$ -closed.*

**Proof .** *Suppose  $(P, A)$  be a soft  $\alpha$ -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  $\alpha$ -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  $(Z, \tau, A)$  be soft topological space over  $Z$ . consider the soft topology  $\tau$  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  $\alpha$ -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  $(Z, \tau, A)$  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  $(Z, \tau, A)$  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  $(Z, \tau, A)$  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  $y \in (M, A)$ .

$\square$

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

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