## ON *I*-OPEN SETS AND *I*-CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS IN IDEAL BITOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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ABSTRACT. The aim of this paper is to introduce and characterize the concepts of  $\mathcal{I}$ -open sets and their related notions in ideal bitopological spaces.

### 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

The concept of ideals in topological spaces has been introduced and studied by Kuratowski [19] and Vaidyanathasamy [24]. Hamlett and Janković (see [12], [13], [17] and [18]) used topological ideals to generalize many notions and properties in general topology. The research in this direction continued by many researchers such as M. E. Abd El-Monsef, A. Al-Omari, F. G. Arenas, M. Caldas, J. Dontchev, M. Ganster, D. N. Georgiou, T. R. Hamlett, E. Hatir, S. D. Iliadis, S. Jafari, D. Jankovic, E. F. Lashien, M. Maheswari, H. Maki, A. C. Megaritis, F. I. Michael, A. A. Nasef, T. Noiri, B. K. Papadopoulos, M. Parimala, G. A. Prinos, M. L. Puertas, M. Rajamani, N. Rajesh, D. Rose, A. Selvakumar, Jun-Iti Umehara and many others (see [1], [2], [5], [7], [8], [9], [10], [11], [14], [15], [18], [23], [21], [22]). An ideal  $\mathcal{I}$ on a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is a nonempty collection of subsets of X which satisfies (i)  $A \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $B \subset A$  implies  $B \in \mathcal{I}$  and (ii)  $A \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $B \in \mathcal{I}$  implies  $A \cup B \in \mathcal{I}$ . Given a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  with an ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  on X and if  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  is the set of all subsets of X, a set operator  $(.)^* \colon \mathcal{P}(X) \to \mathcal{P}(X)$ , called the local function [24] of A with respect to  $\tau$  and  $\mathcal{I}$ , is defined as follows: for  $A \subset X$ ,  $A^*(\tau, \mathcal{I}) = \{x \in X | U \cap A \notin \mathcal{I}\}$ for every  $U \in \tau(x)$ , where  $\tau(x) = \{U \in \tau | x \in U\}$ . If  $\mathcal{I}$  is an ideal on X, then  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  is called an ideal bitopological space. Let A be a subset of a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ . We denote the closure of A and the interior of A with respect to  $\tau_i$  by  $\tau_i$ -Cl(A) and  $\tau_i$ -Int(A), respectively. A subset A of a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is said to be (i, j)-preopen [16] if  $A \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(\tau_i$ -Cl(A)), where i, j = 1, 2 and  $i \neq j$ . A subset S of an ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be (i, j)-pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open [4] if  $S \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(\tau_i$ -Cl<sup>\*</sup>(S)). A subset A of a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is said to be (i, j)-preopen [16] (resp. (i, j)-semi- $\mathcal{I}$ -open [3]) if  $A \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(\tau_j$ -Cl(A)) (resp.  $S \subset \tau_j$ -Cl $^*(\tau_i$ -Int(S))), where i, j = 1, 2

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and  $i \neq j$ . The complement of an (i, j)-semi- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set is called an (i, j)-semi- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed set. A function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \to (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is said to be (i, j)-pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous [4] if the inverse image of every  $\sigma_i$ -open set in  $(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is (i, j)-pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open in  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ , where  $i \neq j$ , i, j=1, 2.

# 2. (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open sets

**Definition 2.1.** A subset A of an ideal bitopological space  $(X, \tau_i, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ is said to be (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open if  $A \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*)$ . The family of all (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open subsets of  $(X, \tau_i, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  is denoted by

**Remark 2.2.** It is clear that (1, 2)- $\mathcal{I}$ -openness and  $\tau_1$ -openness are independent notions.

**Example 2.3.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}, \tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, X\}, \tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$ and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$ . Then  $\tau_1$ -Int $(\{a, b\}_2^*) = \tau_1$ -Int $(\{b\}) = \emptyset \supseteq \{a, b\}$ . Therefore  $\{a, b\}$  is a  $\tau_1$ -open set but not (1, 2)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open.

**Example 2.4.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}, \tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, X\}, \tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\}$ . Then  $\tau_1$ -Int $(\{a\}_2^*) = \tau_1$ -Int $(X) = X \supset \{a\}$ . Therefore,  $\{a\}$  is (1, 2)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set but not  $\tau_1$ -open.

**Remark 2.5.** Similarly (1, 2)- $\mathcal{I}$ -openness and  $\tau_2$ -openness are independent notions.

**Example 2.6.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}, \tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, X\}, \tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{c\}\}.$  Then  $\tau_1$ -Int $(\{b, c\}_2^*) = \tau_1$ -Int $(\{a, b\}) = \{a\} \supseteq \{b, c\}.$  Therefore,  $\{b, c\}$  is a  $\tau_2$ -open set but not (1, 2)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open.

**Example 2.7.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}, \tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}, \tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{c\}\}$ . Then  $\tau_1$ -Int $(\{a\}_2^*) = \tau_1$ -Int $(\{a\}) = \{a\} \supset \{a\}$ . Therefore,  $\{a\}$  is an (1, 2)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set but not  $\tau_2$ -open.

**Proposition 2.8.** Every (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set is (i, j)-pre- $\mathcal{I}$ -open.

*Proof.* Let A be an (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set. Then  $A \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*) \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(A \cup A_j^*) = \tau_i$ -Int $(\tau_j$ -Cl<sup>\*</sup>(A)). Therefore,  $A \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{PIO}(X)$ .

**Example 2.9.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}, \tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, X\}, \tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{b, c\}, X\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{c\}\}$ . Then the set  $\{c\}$  is (1, 2)-preopen but not (1, 2)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open.

**Remark 2.10.** The intersection of two (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open sets need not be (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open as showm in the following example.

**Example 2.11.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}, \tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, X\}, \tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$ . Then  $\{a, b\}, \{a, c\} \in (1, 2)$ - $\mathcal{IO}(X)$  but  $\{a, b\} \cap \{a, c\} = \{a\} \notin (1, 2)$ - $\mathcal{IO}(X)$ .

(i, j)- $\mathcal{I}O(X)$ .

**Theorem 2.12.** For an ideal bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  and  $A \subset X$ , we have:

- (1) If  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ , then  $A_j^*(\mathcal{I}) = \tau_j$ -Cl(A) and hence each of (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ open set and (i, j)-preopen set are coincide.
- (2) If  $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{P}(X)$ , then  $A_j^*(\mathcal{I}) = \emptyset$  and hence A is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open if and only if  $A = \emptyset$ .

**Theorem 2.13.** For any (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set A of an ideal bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ , we have  $A_i^* = (\tau_i \operatorname{-Int}(A_i^*))_i^*$ .

Proof. Since A is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open,  $A \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*)$ . Then  $A_j^* \subset (\tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*))_j^*$ . Also we have  $\tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*) \subset A_j^*$ ,  $(\tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*))^* \subset (A_j^*)^* \subset A_j^*$ . Hence we have,  $A_j^* = (\tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*))_j^*$ .

**Definition 2.14.** A subset F of an ideal bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  is called (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed if its complement is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open.

**Theorem 2.15.** For  $A \subset (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  we have  $((\tau_i \operatorname{-Int}(A))_j^*)^c \neq \tau_i \operatorname{-Int}((A^c)_j^*)$  in general.

**Example 2.16.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}, \tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, X\}, \tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{a, c\}, X\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\}$ . Then  $((\tau_1 \operatorname{-Int}(\{a, b\}))_2^*)^c = (\{a, b\}_2^*)^c = X^c = \emptyset$  (\*) and  $\tau_1 \operatorname{-Int}((\{a, b\}^c)_2^*) = \tau_1 \operatorname{-Int}(\{c\}_2^*) = \tau_1 \operatorname{-Int}(X) = X$  (\*\*). Hence from (\*) and (\*\*), we get  $((\tau_1 \operatorname{-Int}(\{a, b\}))_2^*)^c \neq \tau_1 \operatorname{-Int}((\{a, b\}^c)_2^*)$ .

**Theorem 2.17.** If  $A \subset (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed, then  $A \supset (\tau_i$ -Int $(A))_j^*$ .

Proof. Let A be (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed. Then  $B = A^c$  is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open. Thus,  $B \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(B_j^*)$ ,  $B \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(\tau_j$ -Cl(B)),  $B^c \supset \tau_j$ -Cl $(\tau_i$ -Int $(B^c)$ ),  $A \supset \tau_j$ -Cl $(\tau_i$ -Int(A)). That is,  $\tau_j$ -Cl $(\tau_i$ -Int $(A)) \subset A$ , which implies that  $(\tau_i$ -Int $(A))_j^* \subset \tau_j$ -Cl $(\tau_i$ -Int $(A)) \subset A$ . Therefore,  $A \supset (\tau_i$ -Int $(A))_j^*$ .  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 2.18.** Let  $A \subset (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  and  $(X \setminus (\tau_i \operatorname{-Int}(A))_j^*) = \tau_i \operatorname{-Int}((X \setminus A)_j^*)$ . Then A is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed if and only if  $A \supset (\tau_i \operatorname{-Int}(A))_j^*$ .

*Proof.* It is obvious.

**Theorem 2.19.** Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal bitopological space and  $A, B \subset X$ . Then:

(i) If  $\{U_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta\} \subset (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X)$ , then  $\bigcup \{U_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta\} \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X)$ .

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- (ii) If  $A \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X)$ ,  $B \in \tau_i$  and  $A_j^* \cap B \subset (A \cap B)_j^*$ , then  $A \cap B \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X)$ .
- (iii) If  $A \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X)$ ,  $B \in \tau_i$  and  $B \cap A_j^* = B \cap (B \cap A)_j^*$ , then  $A \cap B \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(B \cap (B \cap A)_j^*)$ .

Proof. (i) Since  $\{U_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta\} \subset (i, j) \cdot \mathcal{I}O(X)$ , then  $U_{\alpha} \subset \tau_i \cdot \operatorname{Int}((U_{\alpha})_j^*)$ , for every  $\alpha \in \Delta$ . Thus,  $\bigcup (U_{\alpha}) \subset \bigcup (\tau_i \cdot \operatorname{Int}((U_{\alpha})_j^*)) \subset \tau_i \cdot \operatorname{Int}(\bigcup (U_{\alpha})_j^* \subset \tau_i \cdot \operatorname{Int}(\bigcup U_{\alpha})_j^*)$ , for every  $\alpha \in \Delta$ . Hence  $\bigcup \{U_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta\} \in (i, j) \cdot \mathcal{I}O(X)$ . (*ii*) Given  $A \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{IO}(X)$  and  $B \in \tau_i$ , that is  $A \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*)$ . Then  $A \cap B \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*) \cap B = \tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^* \cap B)$ . Since  $B \in \tau_i$  and  $A_j^* \cap B \subset (A \cap B)_j^*$ , we have  $A \cap B \subset \tau_i$ -Int $((A \cap B)_j^*)$ . Hence,  $A \cap B \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{IO}(X)$ .

(*iii*) Given  $A \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{IO}(X)$  and  $B \in \tau_i$ . That is  $A \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*)$ . We have to prove  $A \cap B \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(B \cap (B \cap A)_j^*)$ . Thus,  $A \cap B \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*) \cap B = \tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^* \cap B) = \tau_i$ -Int $(B \cap A_j^*)$ . Since  $B \cap A_j^* = B \cap (B \cap A)_j^*$ . Hence  $A \cap B \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(B \cap (B \cap A)_j^*)$ .

**Corollary 2.20.** The union of (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed set and  $\tau_j$ -closed set is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed.

*Proof.* It is obvious.

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**Theorem 2.21.** If  $A \subset (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open and (i, j)-semiclosed, then  $A = \tau_i$ -Int $(A_i^*)$ .

Proof. Given A is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open. Then  $A \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*)$ . Since (i, j)semiclosed,  $\tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*) \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(\tau_j$ -Cl $(A)) \subset A$ . Thus  $\tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*) \subset A$ .
Hence we have,  $A = \tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*)$ .

**Theorem 2.22.** Let  $A \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{IO}(X)$  and  $B \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{IO}(Y)$ , then  $A \times B \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{IO}(X \times Y)$ , if  $A_j^* \times B_j^* = (A \times B)_j^*$ .

Proof.  $A \times B \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*) \times \tau_i$ -Int $(B_j^*) = \tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^* \times B_j^*)$ , from hypothesis. Then  $A \times B = \tau_i$ -Int $((A \times B)_j^*)$ ; hence,  $A \times B \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{IO}(X \times Y)$ .

**Theorem 2.23.** If  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  is an ideal bitopological space,  $A \in \tau_i$ and  $B \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{IO}(X)$ , then there exists a  $\tau_i$ -open subset G of X such that  $A \cap G = \emptyset$ , implies  $A \cap B = \emptyset$ .

Proof. Since  $B \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X)$ , then  $B \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(B_j^*)$ . By taking  $G = \tau_i$ -Int $(B_j^*)$  to be a  $\tau_i$ -open set such that  $B \subset G$ . But  $A \cap G = \emptyset$ , then  $G \subset X \setminus A$  implies that  $\tau_i$ -Cl $(G) \subset X \setminus A$ . Hence  $B \subset (X \setminus A)$ . Therefore,  $A \cap B = \emptyset$ .

**Definition 2.24.** A subset A of  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be:

- (i)  $\tau_i^*$ -closed if  $A_i^* \subset A$ .
- (ii)  $\tau_i$ -\*-perfect  $A_i^* = A$ .

**Theorem 2.25.** For a subset  $A \subset (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ , we have

- (i) If A is  $\tau_j^*$ -closed and  $A \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{IO}(X)$ , then  $\tau_i$ -Int $(A) = \tau_i$ -Int $(A_i^*)$ .
- (ii) If A is  $\tau_j$ -\*-perfect, then  $A = \tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*)$  for every  $A \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{IO}(X)$ .

*Proof.* (i) Let A be  $\tau_j$ -\*-closed and  $A \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{IO}(X)$ . Then  $A_j^* \subset A$ and  $A \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*)$ . Hence  $A \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*) \Rightarrow \tau_i$ -Int $(A) \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(\tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*)) \Rightarrow \tau_i$ -Int $(A) \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*)$ . Also,  $A_j^* \subset A$ . Then  $\tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*) \subset$   $\tau_i$ -Int(A). Hence  $\tau_i$ -Int $(A) = \tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*)$ . (*ii*) Let A be  $\tau_j$ -\*-perfect and  $A \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{IO}(X)$ . We have,  $A_j^* = A$ ,  $\tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*) = \tau_i$ -Int(A),  $\tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*) \subset A$ . Also we have  $A \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*)$ . Hence we have,  $A = \tau_i$ -Int $(A_i^*)$ .

**Definition 2.26.** Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal bitopological space, S a subset of X and x be a point of X. Then

- (i) x is called an (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -interior point of S if there exists  $V \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  such that  $x \in V \subset S$ .
- ii) the set of all (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -interior points of S is called (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -interior of S and is denoted by (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ Int(S).

**Theorem 2.27.** Let A and B be subsets of  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ . Then the following properties hold:

- (i) (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ Int $(A) = \cup \{T : T \subset A \text{ and } A \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X)\}.$
- (ii) (i, j)-I Int(A) is the largest (i, j)-I-open subset of X contained in A.
- (iii) A is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open if and only if A = (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ Int(A).
- (iv) (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$  Int((i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$  Int(A)) = (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$  Int(A).
- (v) If  $A \subset B$ , then (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$  Int $(A) \subset (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$  Int(B).
- (vi) (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ Int $(A) \cup (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Int $(B) \subset (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Int $(A \cup B)$ .
- (vii) (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ Int $(A \cap B) \subset (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Int $(A) \cap (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Int(B).

*Proof.* (i). Let  $x \in \bigcup \{T : T \subset A \text{ and } A \in (i, j) - \mathcal{I}O(X)\}$ . Then, there exists  $T \in (i, j) - \mathcal{I}O(X, x)$  such that  $x \in T \subset A$  and hence  $x \in (i, j) - \mathcal{I}\operatorname{Int}(A)$ . This shows that  $\bigcup \{T : T \subset A \text{ and } A \in (i, j) - \mathcal{I}O(X)\} \subset (i, j) - \mathcal{I}\operatorname{Int}(A)$ . For the reverse inclusion, let  $x \in (i, j) - \mathcal{I}\operatorname{Int}(A)$ . Then there exists  $T \in (i, j) - \mathcal{I}O(X, x)$  such that  $x \in T \subset A$ . we obtain  $x \in \bigcup \{T : T \subset A \text{ and } A \in (i, j) - \mathcal{I}O(X)\}$ . This shows that  $(i, j) - \mathcal{I}\operatorname{Int}(A) \subset \bigcup \{T : T \subset A \text{ and } A \in (i, j) - \mathcal{I}O(X)\}$ . This shows that  $(i, j) - \mathcal{I}\operatorname{Int}(A) \subset \bigcup \{T : T \subset A \text{ and } A \in (i, j) - \mathcal{I}O(X)\}$ . Therefore, we obtain  $(i, j) - \mathcal{I}\operatorname{Int}(A) = \bigcup \{T : T \subset A \text{ and } A \in (i, j) - \mathcal{I}O(X)\}$ . Therefore, for (ii) - (v) are obvious.

(vi). Clearly, (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ Int $(A) \subset (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Int $(A \cup B)$  and (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ Int $(B) \subset (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Int $(A \cup B)$ . Then by (v) we obtain (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ Int $(A) \cup (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Int $(B) \subset (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Int $(A \cup B)$ .

(vii). Since  $A \cap B \subset A$  and  $A \cap B \subset B$ , by (v), we have (i, j)- $\mathcal{I} \operatorname{Int}(A \cap B) \subset (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I} \operatorname{Int}(A)$  and (i, j)- $\mathcal{I} \operatorname{Int}(A \cap B) \subset (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I} \operatorname{Int}(B)$ . By (v) (i, j)- $\mathcal{I} \operatorname{Int}(A \cap B) \subset (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I} \operatorname{Int}(B)$ .  $\Box$ 

**Definition 2.28.** Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal bitopological space, S a subset of X and x be a point of X. Then

- (i) x is called an (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -cluster point of S if  $V \cap S \neq \emptyset$  for every  $V \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X, x)$ .
- (ii) the set of all (i, j)-*I*-cluster points of S is called (i, j)-*I*-closure of S and is denoted by (i, j)-*I* Cl(S).

**Theorem 2.29.** Let A and B be subsets of  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ . Then the following properties hold:

- (i) (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ Cl $(A) = \cap \{F : A \subset F \text{ and } F \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}C(X)\}.$
- (ii) (i, j)-I Cl(A) is the smallest (i, j)-I-closed subset of X containing A.
- (iii) A is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed if and only if A = (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ Cl(A).
- (iv)  $(i, j) \mathcal{I} \operatorname{Cl}((i, j) \mathcal{I} \operatorname{Cl}(A) = (i, j) \mathcal{I} \operatorname{Cl}(A).$
- (v) If  $A \subset B$ , then (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ Cl $(A) \subset (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Cl(B).
- (vi) (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$  Cl $(A \cup B) = (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$  Cl $(A) \cup (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$  Cl(B).
- (vii) (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$  Cl $(A \cap B) \subset (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$  Cl $(A) \cap (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$  Cl(B).

*Proof.* (i). Suppose that  $x \notin (i, j)$ -*I* Cl(*A*). Then there exists *F* ∈ (i, j)-*I*O(*X*) such that  $V \cap S \neq \emptyset$ . Since *X*\*V* is (i, j)-*I*-closed set containing *A* and  $x \notin X \setminus V$ , we obtain  $x \notin \cap \{F : A \subset F \text{ and } F \in (i, j)$ -*I*C(*X*) }. Then there exists  $F \in (i, j)$ -*I*C(*X*) such that  $A \subset F$  and  $x \notin F$ . Since *X*\*V* is (i, j)-*I*-closed set containing *x*, we obtain  $(X \setminus F) \cap A = \emptyset$ . This shows that  $x \notin (i, j)$ -*I*Cl(*A*). Therefore, we obtain (i, j)-*I*Cl(*A*) = ∩{*F* : *A* ⊂ *F* and *F* ∈ (i, j)-*I*C(*X*). The other proofs are obvious.

**Theorem 2.30.** Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal bitopological space and  $A \subset X$ . A point  $x \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Cl(A) if and only if  $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$  for every  $U \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X, x)$ .

Proof. Suppose that  $x \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Cl(A). We shall show that  $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$ for every  $U \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X, x)$ . Suppose that there exists  $U \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X, x)$  such that  $U \cap A = \emptyset$ . Then  $A \subset X \setminus U$  and  $X \setminus U$  is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed. Since  $A \subset X \setminus U$ , (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ Cl(A)  $\subset (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Cl( $X \setminus U$ ). Since  $x \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Cl(A), we have  $x \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Cl( $X \setminus U$ ). Since  $X \setminus U$  is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed, we have  $x \in X \setminus U$ ; hence  $x \notin U$ , which is a contradicition that  $x \in U$ . Therefore,  $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$ . Conversely, suppose that  $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$  for every  $U \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X, x)$ . We shall show that  $x \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X, x)$  such that  $U \cap A = \emptyset$ . This is a contradicition to  $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$ ; hence  $x \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Cl(A).

**Theorem 2.31.** Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal bitopological space and  $A \subset X$ . Then the following properties hold:

(i) (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ Int $(X \setminus A) = X \setminus (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Cl(A); (i) (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ Cl $(X \setminus A) = X \setminus (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Int(A).

Proof. (i). Let  $x \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Cl(A). There exists  $V \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X, x)$ such that  $V \cap A \neq \emptyset$ ; hence we obtain  $x \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Int( $X \setminus A$ ). This shows that  $X \setminus (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Cl(A)  $\subset (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Int( $X \setminus A$ ). Let  $x \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Int( $X \setminus A$ ). Since (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ Int( $X \setminus A$ )  $\cap A = \emptyset$ , we obtain  $x \notin (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Cl(A); hence  $x \in$  $X \setminus (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Cl(A). Therefore, we obtain (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ Int( $X \setminus A$ ) =  $X \setminus (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Cl(A).

(ii). Follows from (i).

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**Definition 2.32.** A subset  $B_x$  of an ideal bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be an (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -neighbourhood of a point  $x \in X$  if there exists an (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set U such that  $x \in U \subset B_x$ .

**Theorem 2.33.** A subset of an ideal bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open if and only if it is an (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -neighbourhood of each of its points.

Proof. Let G be an (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set of X. Then by definition, it is clear that G is an (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -neighbourhood of each of its points, since for every  $x \in G, x \in G \subset G$  and G is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open. Conversely, suppose G is an (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -neighbourhood of each of its points. Then for each  $x \in G$ , there exists  $S_x \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X)$  such that  $S_x \subset G$ . Then  $G = \bigcup \{S_x : x \in G\}$ . Since each  $S_x$  is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open and arbtrary union of (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open sets is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open, G is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open in  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ .

3. (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous functions

**Definition 3.1.** A function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \to (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is said to be (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous if for every  $V \in \sigma_i$ ,  $f^{-1}(V) \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X)$ .

**Remark 3.2.** Every (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous function is (i, j)-precontinuous but the converse is not true, in general.

**Example 3.3.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}, \tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, X\}, \tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{b, c\}, X\}, \sigma_1 = \mathcal{P}(X), \sigma_2 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, c\}, X\} \text{ and } \mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{c\}\}.$ Then the identity function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \to (X, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is (1, 2)-precontinuous but not (1, 2)- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous, because  $\{c\} \in \sigma_1, \text{ but } f^{-1}(\{c\}) = \{c\} \notin (1, 2)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X)$ .

**Remark 3.4.** It is clear that (1, 2)- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuity and  $\tau_1$ -continuity (resp.  $\tau_2$ -continuity) are independent notions.

**Example 3.5.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}, \tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, X\}, \tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, X\}, \sigma_1 = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, X\}, \sigma_2 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, X\} and \mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\}.$ Then the identity function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \to (X, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is  $\tau_1$ -continuous but not (1, 2)- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous, because  $\{b\} \in \sigma_1$ , but  $f^{-1}(\{b\}) = \{b\} \notin (1, 2)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X)$ .

**Example 3.6.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}, \tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, X\}, \tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, X\}, \sigma_1 = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}, \sigma_2 = \{\emptyset, \{b, c\}, X\} and \mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\}.$  Then the identity function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \to (X, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is (1, 2)- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous but not  $\tau_1$ -continuous, because  $f^{-1}(\{a\}) = \{a\} \in (1, 2)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X)$ , but  $\{a\} \notin \sigma_1$ .

**Example 3.7.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}, \tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, c\}, X\}, \tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, X\}, \sigma_1 = \{\emptyset, \{b, c\}, X\}, \sigma_2 = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{b, c\}, X\} and \mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{c\}\}.$  Then the identity function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \to (X, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is  $\tau_2$ -continuous but not (1, 2)- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous, because  $\{b\} \in \sigma_2$  but  $f^{-1}(\{b\}) = \{b\} \notin (1, 2)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X)$ .

**Example 3.8.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}, \tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, X\}, \tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}, \sigma_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a, c\}, X\}, \sigma_2 = \{\emptyset, \{b, c\}, X\} \text{ and } \mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{c\}\}.$  Then the identity function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \to (X, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is (1, 2)- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous but not  $\tau_2$ -continuous, because  $\{a\} \notin \sigma_2$  but  $f^{-1}(\{a\}) = \{a\} \in (1, 2)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X)$ .

**Theorem 3.9.** For a function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \to (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ , the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) f is pairwise  $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous;
- (ii) For each point x in X and each  $\sigma_j$ -open set F in Y such that  $f(x) \in F$ , there is a (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set A in X such that  $x \in A$ ,  $f(A) \subset F$ ;
- (iii) The inverse image of each σ<sub>j</sub>-closed set in Y is (i, j)-*I*-closed in X;
- (iv) For each subset A of X,  $f((i, j)-\mathcal{I}\operatorname{Cl}(A)) \subset \sigma_j-\operatorname{Cl}(f(A));$
- (v) For each subset B of Y, (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ Cl $(f^{-1}(B)) \subset f^{-1}(\sigma_j$ -Cl(B));
- (vi) For each subset C of Y,  $f^{-1}(\sigma_j \operatorname{-Int}(C)) \subset (i, j) \cdot \mathcal{I} \operatorname{Int}(f^{-1}(C))$ .

*Proof.* (i) $\Rightarrow$ (ii): Let  $x \in X$  and F be a  $\sigma_j$ -open set of Y containing f(x). By (i),  $f^{-1}(F)$  is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open in X. Let  $A = f^{-1}(F)$ . Then  $x \in A$  and  $f(A) \subset F$ .

(ii) $\Rightarrow$ (i): Let F be  $\sigma_j$ -open in Y and let  $x \in f^{-1}(F)$ . Then  $f(x) \in F$ . By (ii), there is an (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set  $U_x$  in X such that  $x \in U_x$  and  $f(U_x) \subset F$ . Then  $x \in U_x \subset f^{-1}(F)$ . Hence  $f^{-1}(F)$  is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open in X.

(i) $\Leftrightarrow$ (iii): This follows due to the fact that for any subset *B* of *Y*,  $f^{-1}(Y \setminus B) = X \setminus f^{-1}(B)$ .

(iii) $\Rightarrow$ (iv): Let A be a subset of X. Since  $A \subset f^{-1}(f(A))$  we have  $A \subset f^{-1}(\sigma_j \operatorname{-Cl}(f(A)))$ . Now,  $(i, j) \operatorname{-} \mathcal{I} \operatorname{Cl}(f(A))$  is  $\sigma_j \operatorname{-closed}$  in Y and hence  $f^{-1}(\sigma_j \operatorname{-Cl}(A)) \subset f^{-1}(\sigma_j \operatorname{-Cl}(f(A)))$ , for  $(i, j) \operatorname{-} \mathcal{I} \operatorname{Cl}(A)$  is the smallest  $(i, j) \operatorname{-} \mathcal{I} \operatorname{-closed}$  set containing A. Then  $f((i, j) \operatorname{-} \mathcal{I} \operatorname{Cl}(A)) \subset \sigma_j \operatorname{-Cl}(f(A))$ . (iv) $\Rightarrow$ (iii): Let F be any  $(i, j) \operatorname{-pre-} \mathcal{I}$ -closed subset of Y. Then  $f((i, j) \operatorname{-} \mathcal{I} \operatorname{Cl}(f^{-1}(F))) \subset (i, j) \operatorname{-} \sigma_i \operatorname{-Cl}(f(f^{-1}(F))) = (i, j) \operatorname{-} \sigma_i \operatorname{-Cl}(F) = F$ . Therefore,  $(i, j) \operatorname{-} \mathcal{I} \operatorname{Cl}(f^{-1}(F)) \subset f^{-1}(F)$ . Consequently,  $f^{-1}(F)$  is  $(i, j) \operatorname{-} \mathcal{I} \operatorname{-closed}$  in X.

(iv) $\Rightarrow$ (v): Let *B* be any subset of *Y*. Now,  $f((i, j) - \mathcal{I}\operatorname{Cl}(f^{-1}(B))) \subset \sigma_i - \operatorname{Cl}(f(f^{-1}(B))) \subset \sigma_i - \operatorname{Cl}(B)$ . Consequently,  $(i, j) - \mathcal{I}\operatorname{Cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \subset f^{-1}(\sigma_i - \operatorname{Cl}(B))$ .

 $(\mathbf{v}) \Rightarrow (\mathbf{iv})$ : Let B = f(A) where A is a subset of X. Then,  $(i, j) \cdot \mathcal{I} \operatorname{Cl}(A) \subset (i, j) \cdot \mathcal{I} \operatorname{Cl}(f^{-1}(B)) \subset f^{-1}(\sigma_i \cdot \operatorname{Cl}(B)) = f^{-1}(\sigma_i \cdot \operatorname{Cl}(f(A)))$ . This shows that  $f((i, j) \cdot \mathcal{I} \operatorname{Cl}(A)) \subset \sigma_i \cdot \operatorname{Cl}(f(A))$ .

(i) $\Rightarrow$ (vi): Let *B* be a  $\sigma_j$ -open set in *Y*. Clearly,  $f^{-1}(\sigma_i\text{-Int}(B) \text{ is } (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ -open and we have  $f^{-1}(\sigma_i\text{-Int}(B)) \subset (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$  Int $(f^{-1}\sigma_i\text{-Int}(B)) \subset (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$  Int $(f^{-1}B)$ .

(vi) $\Rightarrow$ (i): Let *B* be a  $\sigma_j$ -open set in *Y*. Then  $\sigma_i$ -Int(*B*) = *B* and  $f^{-1}(B) \setminus f^{-1}(\sigma_i$ -Int(*B*))  $\subset (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Int( $f^{-1}(B)$ ). Hence we have  $f^{-1}(B)$ 

= (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ Int $(f^{-1}(B))$ . This shows that  $f^{-1}(B)$  is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open in X.

**Theorem 3.10.** Let  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \to (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  be (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous and  $\sigma_i$ -open function, then the inverse image of each (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set in Y is (i, j)-preopen in X.

Proof. Let A be (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open. Then  $A \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*)$ . We have to prove  $f^{-1}(A)$  is (i, j)-preopen which implies  $f^{-1}(A) \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(\tau_j$ -Cl $(f^{-1}(A)))$ . For this,  $f(A) = f(\tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*)) = \tau_i$ -Int $(f(\tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*))) \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(f(A_j^*))$ ,  $A \subset f^{-1}(\tau_i$ -Int $(f(A_j^*))) \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(f^{-1}(\tau_i$ -Int $(f(A_j^*)))_j \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*)_j \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*)_j \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(A_j^*) \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(A \cup A_j^*) = \tau_i$ -Int $(\tau_j$ -Cl\*(A)). Hence  $f^{-1}(A) \subset \tau_i$ -Int $(\tau_j$ -Cl\* $(f^{-1}(A)))$ . Therefore,  $f^{-1}(A)$  is (i, j)-preopen in X.

**Theorem 3.11.** Let  $f: (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \to (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  be (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous and  $f^{-1}(V_j^*) \subset (f^{-1}(V))_j^*$ , for each  $V \subset Y$ . Then the inverse image of each (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open.

**Remark 3.12.** The composition of two (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous functions need not be (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous, in general.

**Example 3.13.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}, \tau_i = \{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, X\}, \tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, X\}, \sigma_1 = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}, \sigma_2 = \{\emptyset, \{b, c\}, X\}, \gamma_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, X\}, \gamma_2 = \{\emptyset, \{b, c\}, X\}, \mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\}, \mathcal{J} = \{\emptyset, \{c\}\} \text{ and let the function } f: (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2) \text{ is defined by } f(a) = b, f(b) = a \text{ and } f(c) = c \text{ and } g: (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \mathcal{J}) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma_1, \gamma_2) \text{ is defined by } g(a) = c, g(b) = a \text{ and } g(c) = a.$  It is clear that both f and g are (1, 2)- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous, because  $\{a\} \in \gamma_1$ , but  $(g \circ f)^{-1}(\{a\}) = \{c\} \notin (1, 2)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X)$ .

**Theorem 3.14.** Let  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \to (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  and  $g : (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \mathcal{J}) \to (Z, \mu_1, \mu_2)$ . Then  $g \circ f$  is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous, if f is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous and g is  $\sigma_j$ -continuous.

Proof. Let  $V \in \mu_j$ . Since g is  $\mu_j$ -continuous, then  $g^{-1}(V) \in \sigma_j$ . On the other hand, since f is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous, we have  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) \in (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(X)$ . Since  $(g \circ f)^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ , we obtain that  $g \circ f$  is (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous.

4. (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open and (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed functions

**Definition 4.1.** A function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be:

- (i) pairwise  $\mathcal{I}$ -open if f(U) is a (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set of Y for every  $\tau_i$ -open set U of X.
- (ii) pairwise  $\mathcal{I}$ -closed if f(U) is a (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed set of Y for every  $\tau_i$ -closed set U of X.

**Proposition 4.2.** Every (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open function is (i, j)-preopen function but the converse is not true in general.

**Example 4.3.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}, \tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, X\}, \tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}, \sigma_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, X\}, \sigma_2 = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, X\} \text{ and } \mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}.$  Then the function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (X, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \mathcal{I})$  is defined by f(a) = b,  $f(b) = a \text{ and } f(c) = c \text{ is } (1, 2)\text{-preopen but not } (1, 2)\text{-}\mathcal{I}\text{-open, because}$  $\{a\} \notin \tau_1, \text{ but } f(\{a\}) = \{b\} \notin (1, 2)\text{-}\mathcal{I}O(Y).$ 

**Remark 4.4.** Each of (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open function and  $\tau_i$ -open function are independent.

**Example 4.5.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}, \tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}, \tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{b, c\}, X\}, \sigma_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, X\}, \sigma_2 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, c\}, X\} and \mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\} on Y.$ Then the identity function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (X, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \mathcal{I})$  is (1, 2)- $\mathcal{I}$ open function but not  $\tau_1$ -open, because  $\{a\} \notin \tau_1$ , but  $f(\{a\}) = \{a\} \in (1, 2)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(Y)$ .

**Example 4.6.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}, \tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, X\}, \tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{b, c\}, X\}, \sigma_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, X\}, \sigma_2 = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}, X\} \text{ and } \mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{c\}\} \text{ on } Y.$  Then the identity function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (X, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \mathcal{I})$  is defined by f(a) = b = f(b) and f(c) = c is  $\tau_1$ -open but not (1, 2)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open function, because  $\{a\} \in \tau_1$ , but  $f(\{a\}) = \{b\} \notin (1, 2)$ - $\mathcal{I}O(Y)$ .

**Theorem 4.7.** For a function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \mathcal{I})$ , the following statements are equivalent:

(i) f is pairwise  $\mathcal{I}$ -open;

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- (ii)  $f(\tau_i \operatorname{-Int}(U)) \subset (i, j) \cdot \mathcal{I} \operatorname{Int}(f(U))$  for each subset U of X;
- (iii)  $\tau_i$ -Int $(f^{-1}(V)) \subset f^{-1}((i, j) \cdot \mathcal{I} \operatorname{Int}(V))$  for each subset V of Y.

Proof.  $(i) \Rightarrow (ii)$ : Let U be any subset of X. Then  $\tau_i$ -Int(U) is a  $\tau_i$ open set of X. Then  $f(\tau_i$ -Int(U)) is a (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set of Y. Since  $f(\tau_i$ -Int(U))  $\subset f(U), f(\tau_i$ -Int(U)) = (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ Int $(f(\tau_i$ -Int(U)))  $\subset (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Int(f(U)).

 $\begin{array}{l} (ii) \Rightarrow (iii): \text{ Let } V \text{ be any subset of } Y. \text{ Then } f^{-1}(V) \text{ is a subset of } X. \\ \text{Hence } f(\tau_i \text{-} \text{Int}(f^{-1}(V))) \subset (i,j) \text{-} \mathcal{I} \operatorname{Int}(f(f^{-1}(V))) \subset (i,j) \text{-} \mathcal{I} \operatorname{Int}(V)). \\ \text{Then } \tau_i \text{-} \operatorname{Int}(f^{-1}(V)) \subset f^{-1}(f(\tau_i \text{-} \operatorname{Int}(f^{-1}(V)))) \subset f^{-1}((i,j) \text{-} \mathcal{I} \operatorname{Int}(V)). \\ (iii) \Rightarrow (i): \text{ Let } U \text{ be any } \tau_i \text{-} \text{open set of } X. \text{ Then } \tau_i \text{-} \operatorname{Int}(U) = U \text{ and } f(U) \text{ is a subset of } Y. \text{ Now, } V = \tau_i \text{-} \operatorname{Int}(V) \subset \tau_i \text{-} \operatorname{Int}(f^{-1}(f(V))) \subset f^{-1}((i,j) \text{-} \mathcal{I} \operatorname{Int}(f(V))). \\ \text{Then } f(V) \subset f(f^{-1}((i,j) \text{-} \mathcal{I} \operatorname{Int}(f(V)))) \subset (i,j) \text{-} \mathcal{I} \operatorname{Int}(f(V)) \text{ and } (i,j) \text{-} \mathcal{I} \operatorname{Int}(f(V)) \subset f(V). \text{ Hence } f(V) \text{ is a } (i,j) \text{-} \mathcal{I} \text{$ 

**Theorem 4.8.** Let  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \mathcal{I})$  be a function. Then f is a pairwise  $\mathcal{I}$ -closed function if and only if for each subset V of X, (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$  Cl $(f(V)) \subset f(\tau_i$  Cl(V)).

Proof. Let f be a pairwise  $\mathcal{I}$ -closed function and V any subset of X. Then  $f(V) \subset f(\tau_i \text{-}Cl(V))$  and  $f(\tau_i \text{-}Cl(V))$  is a (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed set of Y. We have (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ Cl $(f(V)) \subset (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Cl $(f(\tau_i \text{-}Cl(V))) = f(\tau_i \text{-}Cl(V))$ . Conversely, let V be a  $\tau_i$ -open set of X. Then  $f(V) \subset (i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ Cl $(f(V)) \subset f(\tau_i \text{-}Cl(V)) = f(V)$ ; hence f(V) is a (i, j)- $\mathcal{J}$ -closed subset of Y. Therefore, f is a pairwise  $\mathcal{I}$ -closed function.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 4.9.** Let  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \mathcal{I})$  be a function. Then f is a pairwise  $\mathcal{I}$ -closed function if and only if for each subset V of Y,  $f^{-1}((i, j) - \mathcal{I} \operatorname{Cl}(V)) \subset \tau_i - \operatorname{Cl}(f^{-1}(V)).$ 

*Proof.* Let V be any subset of Y. Then by Theorem 4.8, (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$  Cl(V) ⊂  $f(\tau_i$ -Cl( $f^{-1}(V)$ )). Since f is bijection,  $f^{-1}((i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$  Cl(V)) =  $f^{-1}((i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$  Cl( $f(f^{-1}(V)$ ))) ⊂  $f^{-1}(f(\tau_i$ -Cl( $f^{-1}(V)$ ))) =  $\tau_i$ -Cl( $f^{-1}(V)$ ). Conversely, let U be any subset of X. Since f is bijection, (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$  Cl(f(U)) =  $f(f^{-1}((i, j)$ - $\mathcal{I}$  Cl(f(U))) ⊂  $f(\tau_i$ -Cl( $f^{-1}(f(U)$ ))) =  $f(\tau_i$ -Cl(f(U)). Therefore, by Theorem 4.8, f is a pairwise  $\mathcal{I}$ -closed function.

**Theorem 4.10.** Let  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \mathcal{I})$  be a pairwise  $\mathcal{I}$ open function. If V is a subset of Y and U is a  $\tau_i$ -closed subset of X containing  $f^{-1}(V)$ , then there exists a (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed set F of Y
containing V such that  $f^{-1}(F) \subset U$ .

Proof. Let V be any subset of Y and U a  $\tau_i$ -closed subset of X containing  $f^{-1}(V)$ , and let  $F = Y \setminus (f(X \setminus V))$ . Then  $f(X \setminus V) \subset f(f^{-1}(X \setminus V)) \subset X \setminus V$  and  $X \setminus U$  is a  $\tau_i$ -open set of X. Since f is pairwise  $\mathcal{I}$ -open,  $f(X \setminus U)$  is a (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set of Y. Hence F is an (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -closed set of Y and  $f^{-1}(F) = f^{-1}(Y \setminus (f(X \setminus U)) \subset U$ .

**Theorem 4.11.** Let  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \to (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \mathcal{I})$  be a pairwise  $\mathcal{I}$ closed function. If V is a subset of Y and U is a open subset of X containing  $f^{-1}(V)$ , then there exists (i, j)- $\mathcal{I}$ -open set F of Y containing V such that  $f^{-1}(F) \subset U$ .

*Proof.* The proof is similar to the Theorem 4.10.

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