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## On semi-minimal weakly open and semi-maximal weakly closed sets in topological spaces

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### Abstract

In this paper new class of sets called semi- minimal weakly open sets and semi-maximal weakly closed sets are introduced in topological spaces. We show that the complement of semi-minimal weakly open set is a semi-maximal weakly closed set and some properties of the new concepts have been studied.

**Keywords:** Minimal open set, Maximal closed set, Minimal weakly open set, maximal weakly closed set, Semi- Minimal weakly open set, Semi- Maximal weakly closed set.

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### 1. Introduction

In the year 2001 and 2003, F.Nakaoka and N.oda, <sup>[1-3]</sup> introduced and studied minimal open [resp. minimal closed ] sets which are subclass of open [resp.closed sets]. The family of all minimal open [minimal closed] in a topological space  $X$  is denoted by  $m_0O(X)$  [ $m_0C(X)$ ]. Similarly the family of all maximal open [maximal closed] sets in a topological space  $X$  is denoted by  $M_aO(X)$ [ $M_aC(X)$ ]. The complements of minimal open sets and maximal open sets are called maximal closed sets and minimal closed sets respectively. In the year 1963, N.Levine <sup>[4]</sup> introduced and studied semi-open sets. A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$  is said to be semi-open set if there exist some open set  $U$  such that  $U \subset A \subset Cl(U)$ . The family of all semi-open sets of  $X$  is denoted by  $SO(X)$ . The Complement <sup>[5]</sup> of semi-open set is called semi-closed set in  $X$ . The family of all semi-closed sets are denoted by  $SC(X)$ . In the year 2014, R.S.Wali and Vivekananda Dembre <sup>[6]</sup> introduced and studied semi-minimal open and semi-maximal closed sets in topological spaces. In the year 2000, M.Sheik John <sup>[7]</sup> introduced and studied weakly closed sets and weakly open sets in topological spaces. In the year 2014 R.S.Wali and Vivekananda Dembre <sup>[8]</sup> introduced and studied minimal weakly open sets and maximal weakly closed sets in topological spaces.

**1.1 Definition <sup>[1]</sup>:** A proper non-empty open subset  $U$  of a topological space  $X$  is said to be minimal open set if any open set which is contained in  $U$  is  $\emptyset$  or  $U$ .

**1.2 Definition <sup>[2]</sup>:** A proper non-empty open subset  $U$  of a topological space  $X$  is said to be maximal open set if any open set which is contained in  $U$  is  $X$  or  $U$ .

**1.3 Definition <sup>[3]</sup>:** A proper non-empty closed subset  $F$  of a topological space  $X$  is said to be minimal closed set if any closed set which is contained in  $F$  is  $\emptyset$  or  $F$ .

**1.4 Definition <sup>[3]</sup>:** A proper non-empty closed subset  $F$  of a topological space  $X$  is said to be maximal closed set if any closed set which is contained in  $F$  is  $X$  or  $F$ .

**1.5 Definition <sup>[4]</sup>:** A subset  $A$  of a topological spaces  $X$  is said to be semi-open set if there exist some open set  $U$  such that  $U \subset A \subset Cl(U)$ .

**1.6 Definition <sup>[5]</sup>:** The complement of semi-open set is called semi-closed set in  $X$ .

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**1.7 Definition** <sup>[6]</sup>: A set A in a topological space X is said to be semi-minimal open set if there exists a minimal open set M such that  $M \subset A \subset Cl(M)$ .

**1.8 Definition** <sup>[6]</sup>: A subset N of a topological space X is said to be semi-maximal closed set if  $X-N$  is semi-minimal open set.

**1.9 Definition** <sup>[7]</sup>: A subset A of  $(X, \tau)$  is called weakly closed set if  $Cl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is semi-open in X.

**1.10 Definition** <sup>[7]</sup>: A subset A in  $(X, \tau)$  is called weakly open set in X if  $A^c$  is weakly closed set in X.

**1.11 Definition** <sup>[8]</sup>: A proper non-empty weakly open subset U of X is said to be minimal weakly open set if any weakly open set which is contained in U is  $\emptyset$  or U.

**1.12 Definition** <sup>[8]</sup>: A proper non-empty weakly closed subset F of X is said to be maximal weakly closed set if any weakly closed set which is contained in F is X or F.

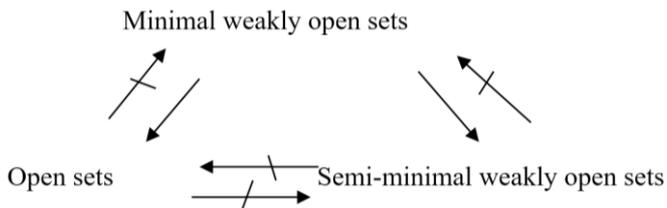
**2. Semi-Minimal Weakly Open Sets**

**2.1 Definition:** A set A in a topological space X is said to be semi-minimal weakly open set if there exists a minimal weakly open set M Such that  $M \subset A \subset S-Cl(M)$ . The family of all semi-minimal weakly open sets in a topological space X is denoted by  $Sm_iwo(X)$ .

**2.2 Example:** Let  $X = \{a,b,c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}\}$  be a topological space.

- Weakly open sets are:  $\{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{a,b\}\}$
- Minimal weakly open sets are :  $\{\{a\}\}$
- Semi-minimal-weakly-open-sets:  $\{X, \{a\}, \{a,b\}, \{a,c\}\}$
- $m_iwo(x) \subset Sm_iwo(x)$ .

The above results are given in below implication diagram.



**2.3 Theorem:** If M is a semi- minimal weakly open set in a topological space X and  $M \subset N \subset S-Cl(M)$  then N is also semi-minimal weakly open in X.

**Proof:** Let M be a semi-minimal weakly open in X. Then by definition 2.1 there exists a minimal-weakly open set U in X such that  $U \subset M \subset S-Cl(U)$ . Since  $M \subset S-Cl(U)$  it follows that  $S-Cl(M) \subseteq Cl(S-Cl(U)) = S-Cl(U)$ . But from hypothesis  $N \subset S-Cl(M)$  therefore it follows that  $U \subset N \subset S-Cl(U)$ . Therefore by definition 2.1 it follows that N is semi-minimal weakly open in X.

**2.4 Theorem:** Let X be a topological space and  $m_iwo(x)$  be the class of all minimal weakly open sets in X the following results hold good.

- (i)  $m_iwo(x) \subset Sm_iwo(X)$
- (ii) If  $M \in Sm_iwo(X)$  and  $M \subset N \subset S-Cl(M)$  then  $N \subset Sm_iwo(X)$ .

**Proof:** This follows from theorem 2.3.

**2.5 Theorem:** Let X be a topological space. Y be subspace of X and M be a subset of Y. If M is semi-minimal weakly open in X then M is semi-minimal weakly open in Y.

**Proof:** Suppose M is semi-minimal weakly open in X. By definition 2.1 there exists a minimal weakly open set N in X such that  $N \subset M \subset S-Cl(N)$ . Now  $N \subset M \subset Y$ . Hence  $Y \cap N = N$ . Since N is minimal weakly open in X.  $Y \cap N = N$  is minimal weakly open in Y. Now we have  $N \subset M \subset S-Cl(N)$ . Therefore  $Y \cap N \subset Y \cap M \subset Y \cap S-Cl(N)$ , which implies  $N \subset M \subset S-Cl_Y(N)$ . Thus there exists a minimal weakly open set N in Y Such that  $N \subset M \subset S-Cl_Y(N)$ . Therefore by definition 2.1 it follows that M is semi-minimal weakly open in Y.

**2.6 Theorem:** Let X be a topological space. Let M,N be minimal weakly open sets in X and  $U \subset X$  such that  $N \subset U \subset S-Cl(N)$  if  $M \cap N = \emptyset$  then  $U \cap W = \emptyset$ .

**Proof:** Since  $M \cap N = \emptyset$ , it follows that  $N \subset X-M$  therefore  $S-Cl(N) \subset Cl(X-M) = X-M$ . Since X-M is maximal weakly closed set and every maximal weakly closed set is closed set. Also we have  $N \subset U \subset S-Cl(N)$ . Therefore  $U \subset S-Cl(N) \subset X-M$ . Thus  $U \subset X-M$  which means  $U \cap W = \emptyset$ .

**2.7 Theorem:** Intersection of two semi-minimal weakly open sets need not be semi-minimal weakly open. It can be Shown by the following example

Let  $X = \{a,b,c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a,b\}\}$  be a topological space. Semi-minimal-weakly-open-sets:  $\{X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a,b\}, \{b,c\}, \{a,c\}\}$  take any two semi-minimal open sets  $\{b,c\} \cap \{a,c\} = \{c\}$  Which is not a semi-minimal weakly open set.

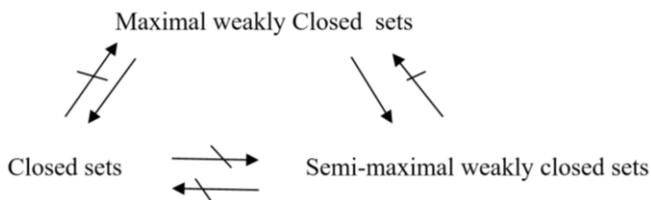
**3. Semi-Maximal-Weakly Closed Sets**

**3.1 Definition:** A subset N of a topological space X is said to be semi-maximal weakly closed set if  $X-N$  is semi-minimal weakly open set.

The family of all semi-maximal weakly closed sets in a topological space X is denoted by  $SM_iWC(X)$ .

**3.2 Example:** Let  $X = \{a,b,c\}$ ,  $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}\}$  be a topological space.

- Closed sets are:  $\{X, \emptyset, \{b,c\}\}$
  - Weakly closed-sets:  $\{X, \emptyset, \{c\}, \{b,c\}\}$
  - Maximal Weakly Closed sets:  $\{\{b,c\}\}$
  - Semi-maximal-weakly-closed-sets:  $\{\emptyset, \{b,c\}, \{c\}, \{b\}\}$
- The above results are given in below implication diagram.



**3.3 Theorem:** A subset W of a topological space X is semi-maximal-weakly closed iff there exists a maximal weakly closed set N in X such that  $int(N) \subset W \subset N$ .

**Proof:** Suppose W is a semi-maximal weakly closed in X then by definition 3.1  $X-W$  is semi-minimal weakly open in X. Therefore by definition 2.1 there exists a minimal weakly open

set  $M$  such that  $M \subset X-W \subset S-Cl(M)$  which implies that  $X-[S-Cl(M)] \subset X-[X-W] \subset X-M$  which implies  $X-[S-Cl(M)] \subset W \subset X-M$ . But it is known that  $X-[S-Cl(M)] = \text{int}(X-M)$  take  $X-M=N$  so, that  $N$  is a maximal weakly closed set such that  $\text{int}(N) \subset W \subset N$ .

Conversely, suppose that there exist a maximal weakly closed set  $N$  in  $X$  such that  $\text{int}(N) \subset W \subset N$ , therefore it follows that  $X-N \subset [X-W] \subset X-\text{int}(N)$ . But it is known that  $X-\text{int}(N) = Cl(X-N)$ . Therefore there exists a minimal weakly open set  $X-N$  such that  $X-N \subset X-W \subset [S-Cl(X-N)]$ . Thus by definition 2.1 it follows that  $X-W$  is semi-minimal weakly open in  $X$ . Hence by definition 3.1 it follows that  $W$  is semi-maximal weakly closed set.

**3.4 Theorem:** If  $N$  is semi-maximal weakly closed in  $X$  and  $\text{int}(N) \subset W \subset N$  then  $W$  is semi-maximal weakly closed in  $X$ .

**Proof:** Let  $N$  be semi-maximal weakly closed in  $X$  then by definition of semi-maximal weakly closed sets there exists a maximal weakly closed set  $F$  such that  $\text{int}(F) \subset N \subset F$ . Now  $\text{int}(F) \subset N$  which implies  $\text{int}(F) = \text{int}(\text{int}(F)) \subset \text{int}(N)$ . But  $\text{int}(N) \subset W$ , we have  $\text{int}(F) \subset W$ . Further since  $\text{int}(F) \subset \text{int}(N) \subset W \subset N \subset F$ . It follows that  $\text{int}(F) \subset W \subset F$ . Thus there exists a maximal weakly closed set  $F$  such that  $\text{int}(F) \subset W \subset F$  therefore  $W$  is semi-maximal weakly closed in  $X$ .

**3.5 Theorem:** The following three properties of a subset  $N$  of a topological space  $X$  are equivalent

- (i)  $N$  is Semi-maximal weakly closed set in  $X$ .
- (ii)  $\text{int}(Cl(N)) \subset N$
- (iii)  $(X-N)$  is semi-minimal weakly open set.

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