

On Minimal λ_{bc} -Open Sets

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Abstract

In this paper, we introduce and discuss minimal λ_{bc} -open sets in topological spaces. We establish some basic properties of minimal λ_{bc} -open. We obtain an application of a theory of minimal λ_{bc} -open sets and we defined a λ_{bc} -locally finite space.

1. Introduction

The study of semi open sets in topological spaces was initiated by Levine[1]. The complement of A is denoted by $X \setminus A$. In the space (X, τ) , a subset A is said to be b -open[2] if $A \subseteq Cl(Int(A)) \cup Int(Cl(A))$. The family of all b -open sets of (X, τ) is denoted by $BO(X)$. The concept of operation γ was initiated by Kasahara[3]. He also introduced γ -closed graph of a function. Using this operation, Ogata[4] introduced the concept of γ -open sets and investigated the related topological properties of the associated topology τ_γ and τ . He further investigated general operator approaches of closed graph of mappings. Further Ahmad and Hussain[5] continued studying the properties of γ -open(γ -closed) sets. In 2009, Hussain and Ahmad[6], introduced the concept of minimal γ -open sets. In 2011[7] (resp., in 2013[8]) Khalaf and Namiq defined an operation λ called s -operation. They defined λ^* -open sets[9] which is equivalent to λ -open set[7] and λ_s -open set[8] by using s -operation. They work in operation in topology in[10-22]. They defined $\lambda_{\beta c}$ -open set by using s -operation and β -closed set and also investigated several properties of $\lambda_{\beta c}$ -derived, $\lambda_{\beta c}$ -interior and $\lambda_{\beta c}$ -closure points in topological spaces.

In this paper, we introduce and discuss minimal λ_{bc} -open sets in topological spaces.

We establish some basic properties of minimal λ_{bc} -open sets and provide an example to illustrate that minimal λ_{bc} -open sets are independent of minimal open sets.

First, we recall some definitions and results used in this paper.

2. Preliminaries

Throughout, X denotes a topological space. Let A be a subset of X , then the closure and the interior of A are denoted by $Cl(A)$ and $Int(A)$ respectively. A subset A of a

topological space (X, τ) is said to be semi open [1] if $A \subseteq Cl(Int(A))$. The complement of a semi open set is said to be semi closed [1]. The family of all semi open (resp. semi closed) sets in a topological space (X, τ) is denoted by $SO(X, \tau)$ or $SO(X)$ (resp. $SC(X, \tau)$ or $SC(X)$). We consider λ as a function defined on $SO(X)$ into $P(X)$ and $\lambda: SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ is called an s-operation if $V \subseteq \lambda(V)$ for each non-empty semi open set V . It is assumed that $\lambda(\phi) = \phi$ and $\lambda(X) = X$ for any s-operation λ . Let X be a topological space and $\lambda: SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ be an s-operation, then a subset A of X is called a λ^* -open set [9] which is equivalent to λ -open set [7] and λ_s -open set [8] if for each $x \in A$ there exists a semi open set U such that $x \in U$ and $\lambda(U) \subseteq A$.

The complement of a λ^* -open set is said to be λ^* -closed. The family of all λ^* -open (resp., λ^* -closed) subsets of a topological space (X, τ) is denoted by $SO_\lambda(X, \tau)$ or $SO_\lambda(X)$ (resp., $SC_\lambda(X, \tau)$ or $SC_\lambda(X)$).

Definition 2.1. A λ^* -open [9] (λ -open [7], λ_s -open [8]) subset A of a topological space X is called $\lambda_{\beta c}$ -open [23] if for each $x \in A$ there exists a β -closed set F such that $x \in F \subseteq A$. The complement of a $\lambda_{\beta c}$ -open set is called $\lambda_{\beta c}$ -closed [23]. The family of all $\lambda_{\beta c}$ -open (resp., $\lambda_{\beta c}$ -closed) subsets of a topological space (X, τ) is denoted by $SO_{\lambda_{\beta c}}(X, \tau)$ or $SO_{\lambda_{\beta c}}(X)$ (resp. $SC_{\lambda_{\beta c}}(X, \tau)$ or $SC_{\lambda_{\beta c}}(X)$) [23].

We get the following results in [23]

Proposition 2.2. For a topological space X , $SO_{\lambda_{\beta c}}(X) \subseteq SO_\lambda(X) \subseteq SO(X)$.

The following example shows that the converse of the above proposition may not be true in general.

Example 2.3. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, and $\tau = \{\phi, \{a\}, X\}$. We define an s-operation $\lambda: SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ as $\lambda(A) = A$ if $b \in A$ and $\lambda(A) = X$ otherwise. Here, we have $\{a, c\}$ is semi open but it is not λ^* -open. And also $\{a, b\}$ is λ^* -open set but it is not $\lambda_{\beta c}$ -open.

Definition 2.4. An s-operation λ on X is said to be s-regular which is equivalent to λ -regular [8] if for every semi open sets U and V of $x \in X$, there exists a semi open set W containing x such that $\lambda(W) \subseteq \lambda(U) \cap \lambda(V)$.

Definition 2.5. Let A be a subset of X . Then:

- (1) The $\lambda_{\beta c}$ -closure of A ($\lambda_{\beta c}Cl(A)$) is the intersection of all $\lambda_{\beta c}$ -closed sets containing A .
- (2) The $\lambda_{\beta c}$ -interior of A ($\lambda_{\beta c}Int(A)$) is the union of all $\lambda_{\beta c}$ -open sets of X contained in A .

Proposition 2.6. For each point $x \in X$, $x \in \lambda_{\beta c}Cl(A)$ if and only if $V \cap A \neq \phi$ for every $V \in SO_{\lambda_{\beta c}}(X)$ such that $x \in V$.

Proposition 2.7. Let $\{A_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$ be any collection of λ_{bc} -open sets in a topological space (X, τ) , then $\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha$ is a λ_{bc} -open set.

Proposition 2.8. Let λ be an s-regular s-operation. If A and B are λ_{bc} -open sets in X , then $A \cap B$ is also a λ_{bc} -open set.

The proof of the following two propositions are in [24].

Proposition 2.9. Let $\{A_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$ be any collection of λ^* -open sets in a topological space (X, τ) , then $\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha$ is a λ^* -open set.

Proposition 2.10. Let λ be semi-regular operation. If A and B are λ^* -open sets in X , then $A \cap B$ is also a λ^* -open set.

Definition 2.11. A λ^* -open [9] (λ -open [7], λ_s -open [8]) subset A of a topological space X is called λ_{bc} -open if for each $x \in A$ there exists a b -closed set F such that $x \in F \subseteq A$. The complement of a λ_{bc} -open set is called λ_{bc} -closed. The family of all λ_{bc} -open (resp., λ_{bc} -closed) subsets of a topological space (X, τ) is denoted by $SO_{\lambda_{bc}}(X, \tau)$ or $SO_{\lambda_{bc}}(X)$ (resp. $SC_{\lambda_{bc}}(X, \tau)$ or $SC_{\lambda_{bc}}(X)$).

Proposition 2.12. For a topological space X , $SO_{\lambda_{bc}}(X) \subseteq SO_\lambda(X) \subseteq SO(X)$.

Proof. Obvious.

The following example shows that the converse of the above proposition may not be true in general.

Example 2.13. In Example 2.3, we have $\{a, c\}$ is semi open but it is not λ^* -open. And also $\{a, b\}$ is λ^* -open set but it is not λ_{bc} -open.

Definition 2.14. An s-operation λ on X is said to be s-regular which is equivalent to λ -regular [8] if for every semi open sets U and V of $x \in X$, there exists a semi open set W containing x such that $\lambda(W) \subseteq \lambda(U) \cap \lambda(V)$.

Definition 2.15. Let A be a subset of X . Then:

- (3) The λ_{bc} -closure of A ($\lambda_{bc}Cl(A)$) is the intersection of all λ_{bc} -closed sets containing A .
- (4) The λ_{bc} -interior of A ($\lambda_{bc}Int(A)$) is the union of all λ_{bc} -open sets of X contained in A .

Proposition 2.16. For each point $x \in X$, $x \in \lambda_{bc}Cl(A)$ if and only if $V \cap A \neq \emptyset$ for every $V \in SO_{\lambda_{bc}}(X)$ such that $x \in V$.

Proof. Obvious

Proposition 2.17. Let $\{A_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$ be any collection of λ_{bc} -open sets in a topological space (X, τ) , then $\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha$ is a λ_{bc} -open set.

Proof. Obvious

Proposition 2.18. Let λ be an s-regular s-operation. If A and B are λ_{bc} -open sets in X , then $A \cap B$ is also a λ_{bc} -open set.

Proof. Obvious

3. Minimal λ_{bc} -Open Sets

Definition 3.1. Let X be a space and $A \subseteq X$ be a λ_{bc} -open set. Then A is called a minimal λ_{bc} -open set if ϕ and A are the only λ_{bc} -open subsets of A .

Example 3.2. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, and $\tau = P(X)$. We define an s-operation $\lambda: SO(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ as $\lambda(A) = A$ if $A = \{a, c\}$ and $\lambda(A) = X$ otherwise. The λ_{bc} -open sets are $\phi, \{a, c\}$ and X . We have $\{a, c\}$ is a minimal λ_{bc} -open set.

Proposition 3.3. Let A be a nonempty λ_{bc} -open subset of a space X . If $A \subseteq \lambda_{bc}Cl(C)$, then $\lambda_{bc}Cl(A) = \lambda_{bc}Cl(C)$, for any nonempty subset C of A .

Proof. For any nonempty subset C of A , we have $\lambda_{bc}Cl(C) \subseteq \lambda_{bc}Cl(A)$. On the other hand, by supposition we see $\lambda_{bc}Cl(A) = \lambda_{bc}Cl(\lambda_{bc}Cl(C)) = \lambda_{bc}Cl(C)$ implies $\lambda_{bc}Cl(A) \subseteq \lambda_{bc}Cl(C)$.

Therefore we have $\lambda_{bc}Cl(A) = \lambda_{bc}Cl(C)$ for any nonempty subset C of A .

Proposition 3.4. Let A be a nonempty λ_{bc} -open subset of a space X . If $\lambda_{bc}Cl(A) = \lambda_{bc}Cl(C)$, for any nonempty subset C of A , then A is a minimal λ_{bc} -open set.

Proof. Suppose that A is not a minimal λ_{bc} -open set. Then there exists a nonempty λ_{bc} -open set B such that $B \subseteq A$ and hence there exists an element $x \in A$ such that $x \notin B$. Then we have $\lambda_{bc}Cl(\{x\}) \subseteq X \setminus B$ implies that $\lambda_{bc}Cl(\{x\}) = \lambda_{bc}Cl(A)$. This contradiction proves the proposition.

Remark 3.5. In the remainder of this section we suppose that λ is an s-regular operation defined on a topological space X .

Proposition 3.6. The following statements are true:

- (1) If A is a minimal λ_{bc} -open set and B a λ_{bc} -open set. Then $A \cap B = \phi$ or $A \subseteq B$.
- (2) If B and C are minimal λ_{bc} -open sets. Then $B \cap C = \phi$ or $B = C$.

Proof. (1) Let B be a λ_{bc} -open set such that $A \cap B \neq \phi$. Since A is a minimal λ_{bc} -open set and $A \cap B \subseteq A$, we have $A \cap B = A$. Therefore $A \subseteq B$.

(2) If $A \cap B \neq \phi$, then by (1), we have $B \subseteq C$ and $C \subseteq B$. Therefore, $B = C$. **Proposition 3.7.** Let A be a minimal λ_{bc} -open set. If x is an element of A , then $A \subseteq B$ for any λ_{bc} -open neighborhood B of x .

Proof. Let B be a λ_{bc} -open neighborhood of x such that $x \notin B$. Since where λ is λ -regular operation, then $A \cap B$ is λ_{bc} -open set such that $A \cap B \subseteq A$ and $A \cap B \neq \phi$. This contradicts our assumption that A is a minimal λ_{bc} -open set.

Proposition 3.8. Let A be a minimal λ_{bc} -open set. Then for any element x of A , $A = \bigcap \{ B : B \text{ is } \lambda_{bc}\text{-open neighborhood of } x \}$.

Proof. By Proposition 3.4, and the fact that A is λ_{bc} -open neighborhood of x , we have $A \subseteq \bigcap \{ B : B \text{ is } \lambda_{bc}\text{-open neighborhood of } x \} \subseteq A$. Therefore, the result follows.

Proposition 3.9. If A is a minimal λ_{bc} -open set in X not containing $x \in X$. Then for any λ_{bc} -open neighborhood C of x , either $C \cap A = \emptyset$ or $A \subseteq C$.

Proof. Since C is a λ_{bc} -open set, we have the result by Proposition 3.3.

Corollary 3.10. If A is a minimal λ_{bc} -open set in X not containing $x \in X$ such that $x \notin A$. If $A_x = \bigcap \{ B : B \text{ is } \lambda_{bc}\text{-open neighborhood of } x \}$. Then either $A_x \cap A = \emptyset$ or $A \subseteq A_x$.

Proof. If $A \subseteq B$ for any λ_{bc} -open neighborhood B of x , then $A \subseteq \bigcap \{ B : B \text{ is } \lambda_{bc}\text{-open neighborhood of } x \}$. Therefore $A \subseteq A_x$. Otherwise there exists a λ_{bc} -open neighborhood B of x such that $B \cap A = \emptyset$. Then we have $A_x \cap A = \emptyset$.

Corollary 3.11. If A is a nonempty minimal λ_{bc} -open set of X , then for a nonempty subset C of A , $A \subseteq \lambda_{bc}Cl(C)$.

Proof. Let C be any nonempty subset of A . Let $y \in A$ and B be any λ_{bc} -open neighborhood of y . By Proposition 3.4, we have $A \subseteq B$ and $C = A \cap C \subseteq B \cap C$. Thus we have $B \cap C \neq \emptyset$ and hence $y \in \lambda_{bc}Cl(C)$. This implies that $A \subseteq \lambda_{bc}Cl(C)$. This completes the proof.

Combining Corollary 3.11 and Propositions 3.3 and 3.4, we have:

Theorem 3.11. Let A be a nonempty λ_{bc} -open subset of space X . Then the following are equivalent:

- (1) A is minimal λ_{bc} -open set, where λ is s -regular.
- (2) For any nonempty subset C of A , $A \subseteq \lambda_{bc}Cl(C)$.
- (3) For any nonempty subset C of A , $\lambda_{bc}Cl(A) = \lambda_{bc}Cl(C)$.

4. Finite λ_{bc} -Open Sets

In this section, we study some properties of minimal λ_{bc} -open sets in finite λ_{bc} -open sets and λ_{bc} -locally finite spaces.

Proposition 4.1. Let (X, τ) be a topological space and $\emptyset \neq B$ a finite λ_{bc} -open set in X . Then there exists at least one (finite) minimal λ_{bc} -open set A such that $A \subseteq B$.

Proof. Suppose that B is a finite λ_{bc} -open set in X . Then we have the following two possibilities:

- (1) B is a minimal λ_{bc} -open set.
- (2) B is not a minimal b -open set.

In case (1), if we choose $B = A$, then the proposition is proved. If the case (2) is true, then there exists a nonempty (finite) λ_{bc} -open set B_1 which is properly contained in B . If B_1 is minimal λ_{bc} -open, we take $A = B_1$. If B_1 is not a minimal λ_{bc} -open set, then

there exists a nonempty (finite) λ_{bc} -open set B_2 such that $B_2 \subseteq B_1 \subseteq B$. We continue this process and have a sequence of λ_{bc} -open sets $\dots \subseteq B_m \subseteq \dots \subseteq B_2 \subseteq B_1 \subseteq B$. Since B is a finite, this process will end in a finite number of steps. That is, for some natural number k , we have a minimal λ_{bc} -open set B_k such that $B_k = A$. This completes the proof.

Definition 4.2. A space X is said to be a λ_{bc} -locally finite space, if for each $x \in X$ there exists a finite λ_{bc} -open set A in X such that $x \in A$.

Corollary 4.3. Let X be a λ_{bc} -locally finite space and B a nonempty λ_{bc} -open set. Then there exists at least one (finite) minimal λ_{bc} -open set A such that $A \subseteq B$, where λ is semi-regular.

Proof. Since B is a nonempty set, there exists an element x of B . Since X is a λ_{bc} -locally finite space, we have a finite λ_{bc} -open set B_x such that $x \in B_x$. Since $B \cap B_x$ is a finite λ_{bc} -open set, we get a minimal λ_{bc} -open set A such that $A \subseteq B \cap B_x \subseteq B$ by Proposition 4.1.

Proposition 4.4. Let X be a space and for any $\alpha \in I$, B_α a λ_{bc} -open set and $\phi \neq A$ a finite λ_{bc} -open set. Then $A \cap (\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} B_\alpha)$ is a finite λ_{bc} -open set, where λ is semi-regular.

Proof. We see that there exists an integer n such that $A \cap (\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} B_\alpha) = A \cap (\bigcap_{i=1}^n B_{\alpha_i})$ and hence we have the result.

Using Proposition 4.4, we can prove the following:

Theorem 4.5. Let X be a space and for any $\alpha \in I$, B_α a λ_{bc} -open set and for any $\beta \in J$, B_β a nonempty finite λ_{bc} -open set. Then $(\bigcup_{\beta \in J} B_\beta) \cap (\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} B_\alpha)$ is a λ_{bc} -open set, where λ is semi-regular.

5. More Properties

Let A be a nonempty finite λ_{bc} -open set. It is clear, by Proposition 3.3 and Proposition 4.1, that if λ is semi-regular, then there exists a natural number m such that $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_m\}$ is the class of all minimal λ_{bc} -open sets in A satisfying the following two conditions:

- (1) For any ι, n with $1 \leq \iota, n \leq m$ and $\iota \neq n$, $A_\iota \cap A_n = \phi$.
- (2) If C is a minimal λ_{bc} -open set in A , then there exists ι with $1 \leq \iota \leq m$ such that $C = A_\iota$.

Theorem 5.1. Let X be a space and $\phi \neq A$ a finite λ_{bc} -open set such that A is not a minimal λ_{bc} -open set. Let $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_m\}$ be a class of all minimal λ_{bc} -open sets in A and $y \in A \setminus (A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_m)$. Define $A_y = \bigcap \{B : B \text{ is } \lambda_{bc}\text{-open neighborhood of } x\}$. Then there exists a natural number $k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m\}$ such that A_k is contained in A_y , where λ is semi-regular.

Proof. Suppose on the contrary that for any natural number $k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m\}$, A_k is not contained in A_y . By Corollary 3.7, for any minimal λ_{bc} -open set A_k in A , $A_k \cap A_y = \phi$. By Proposition 4.4, $\phi \neq A_y$ is a finite λ_{bc} -open set. Therefore by Proposition 4.1, there exists a minimal λ_{bc} -open set C such that $C \subseteq A_y$. Since $C \subseteq A_y \subseteq A$, we have C is a minimal λ_{bc} -open set in A . By supposition, for any minimal λ_{bc} -open set A_k , we have $A_k \cap C \subseteq A_k \cap A_y = \phi$. Therefore, for any natural number $k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m\}$, $C \neq A_k$. This contradicts our assumption. Hence the proof.

Proposition 5.2. Let X be a space and $\phi \neq A$ be a finite λ_{bc} -open set which is not a minimal λ_{bc} -open set. Let $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_m\}$ be a class of all minimal λ_{bc} -open sets in A and $y \in A \setminus (A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_m)$. Then there exists a natural number $k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m\}$, such that for any λ_{bc} -open neighborhood B_y of y , A_k is contained in B_y , where λ is λ -regular.

Proof. This follows from Theorem 5.1, as $\bigcap \{B : B \text{ is } \lambda_{bc}\text{-open of } y\} \subseteq B_y$. Hence the proof.

Theorem 5.3. Let X be a space and $\phi \neq A$ be a finite λ_{bc} -open set which is not a minimal λ_{bc} -open set. Let $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_m\}$ be the class of all minimal λ_{bc} -open sets in A and $y \in A \setminus (A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_m)$. Then there exists a natural number $k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m\}$, such that $y \in \lambda_{bc}Cl(A_k)$, where λ is λ -regular.

Proof. It follows from Proposition 5.2, that there exists a natural number $k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m\}$ such that $A_k \subseteq B$ for any λ_{bc} -open neighborhood B of y . Therefore $\phi \neq A_k \cap A_k \subseteq A_k \cap B$ implies $y \in \lambda_{bc}Cl(A_k)$. This completes the proof.

Proposition 5.4. Let $\phi \neq A$ be a finite λ_{bc} -open set in a space X and for each $k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m\}$, A_k is a minimal λ_{bc} -open sets in A . If the class $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_m\}$ contains all minimal λ_{bc} -open sets in A , then for any $\phi \neq B_k \subseteq A_k$, $A \subseteq \lambda_{bc}Cl(B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3 \cup \dots \cup B_m)$, where λ is semi-regular.

Proof. If A is a minimal λ_{bc} -open set, then this is the result of Theorem 3.11 (2). Otherwise, when A is not a minimal λ_{bc} -open set. If x is any element of $A \setminus (A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_m)$, then by Theorem 5.3, $x \in \lambda_{bc}Cl(A_1) \cup \lambda_{bc}Cl(A_2) \cup \dots \cup \lambda_{bc}Cl(A_m)$. Therefore, by Theorem 3.11 (3), we obtain that $A \subseteq \lambda_{bc}Cl(A_1) \cup \lambda_{bc}Cl(A_2) \cup \dots \cup \lambda_{bc}Cl(A_m) = \lambda_{bc}Cl(B_1) \cup \lambda_{bc}Cl(B_2) \cup \dots \cup \lambda_{bc}Cl(B_m) = \lambda_{bc}Cl(B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3 \cup \dots \cup B_m)$.

Proposition 5.5. Let $\phi \neq A$ be a finite λ_{bc} -open set and A_k is a minimal λ_{bc} -open set in A , for each $k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m\}$. If for any $\phi \neq B_k \subseteq A_k$, $A \subseteq \lambda_{bc}Cl(B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3 \cup \dots \cup B_m)$ then $\lambda_{bc}Cl(A) = \lambda_{bc}Cl(B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3 \cup \dots \cup B_m)$.

Proof. For any $\phi \neq B_k \subseteq A_k$ with $k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m\}$, we have $\lambda_{bc}Cl(B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3 \cup \dots \cup B_m) \subseteq \lambda_{bc}Cl(A)$. Also, we have $\lambda_{bc}Cl(A) \subseteq \lambda_{bc}Cl(B_1) \cup \lambda_{bc}Cl(B_2) \cup \dots \cup \lambda_{bc}Cl(B_m) = \lambda_{bc}Cl(B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3 \cup \dots \cup B_m)$. Therefore, $\lambda_{bc}Cl(A) = \lambda_{bc}Cl(B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3 \cup \dots \cup B_m)$ for any nonempty subset B_k of A_k with $k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m\}$.

Proposition 5.6. Let $\phi \neq A$ be a finite λ_{bc} -open set and for each $k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m\}$, A_k is a minimal λ_{bc} -open set in A . If for any $\phi \neq B_k \subseteq A_k$, $\lambda_{bc}Cl(A) = \lambda_{bc}Cl(B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3 \cup \dots \cup B_m)$, then the class $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_m\}$ contains all minimal λ_{bc} -open sets in A .

Proof. Suppose that C is a minimal λ_{bc} -open set in A and $C \neq A_k$ for $k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m\}$. Then we have $C \cap \lambda_{bc}Cl(A_k) = \emptyset$ for each $k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m\}$. It follows that any element of C is not contained in $\lambda_{bc}Cl(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_m)$. This is a contradiction to the fact that $C \subseteq A \subseteq \lambda_{bc}Cl(A) = \lambda_{bc}Cl(B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3 \cup \dots \cup B_m)$. This completes the proof.

Combining Propositions 5.4, 5.5 and 5.6, we have the following theorem:

Theorem 5.7. Let A be a nonempty finite λ_{bc} -open set and A_k a minimal λ_{bc} -open set in A for each $k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m\}$. Then the following three conditions are equivalent:

- (1) The class $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_m\}$ contains all minimal λ_{bc} -open sets in A .
- (2) For any $\phi \neq B_k \subseteq A_k$, $A \subseteq \lambda_{bc}Cl(B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3 \cup \dots \cup B_m)$.
- (3) For any $\phi \neq B_k \subseteq A_k$, $\lambda_{bc}Cl(A) = \lambda_{bc}Cl(B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3 \cup \dots \cup B_m)$, where λ is semi-regular.

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