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# The $\Re_a$ operator in ideal topological spaces

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ABSTRACT. Given a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  an ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  on X and  $A \subseteq X$ , the concept of *a*-local function is defined as follows  $A^{a^*}(\mathcal{I}, \tau) = \{x \in X : U \cap A \notin \mathcal{I}, \text{ for every } U \in \tau^a(x)\}$ . In this paper a new type of space has been introduced with the help of *a*-open sets and the ideal topological space called *a*-ideal space. We introduce an operator  $\Re_a : \wp(X) \to \tau$ , for every  $A \in \wp(X)$ , and we use it to define some interesting generalized *a*-open sets and study their properties.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Ideals in topological spaces have been considered since 1930. This topic has won its importance by Vaidaynathaswamy [20, 11]. In [10], Jankovic and Hamlett investigated further properties of ideal topological spaces. Applications to various fields were further investigated by Hamlett and Jankovic [9]; Dontchev et al. [5]; Mukherjee et al. [14]; Arenas et al. [4]; Navaneethakrishnan et al. [16]; Nasef and Mahmoud [17] etc.

In an ideal topological space Kuratowski [11] has defined the concept of local function. T. Natkaniec [15] in 1986 introduced another operator  $\psi$  in ideal topological spaces. Hamlett and Jankovic in [9] and Modak and Bandyopadhyay in [13] have considered the operator  $\psi$  and discussed its properties in detail. They also have shown that the operator  $\psi$  gives an interior operator which is the interior operator of the topology defined by Jankovic and Hamlett in [10].

In this paper we consider a new type of space, called **a**-ideal space, by replacing  $\tau$  of the ideal topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  by the set of all *a*-open sets of  $(X, \tau)$ . With the help of *a*-local functions [1] we shall also define and study an operator  $\Re_a : \wp(X) \to \tau$  which is defined as  $\Re_a(A) = \{x \in X : \text{there exists } U_x \in \tau^a \text{ containing } x \text{ such that } U_x - A \in \mathcal{I}\}$ , for every  $A \in \wp(X)$ . Its equivalent definition is  $\Re_a(A) = X - (X - A)^{a^*}$ . Further, we also discuss the properties of this operator.

#### 2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper,  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \sigma)$  always mean topological spaces on which no separation axiom is assumed. A subset *A* of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be regular open (resp. regular closed) [19] if A = Int(Cl(A)) (A = Cl(Int(A)), respectively).

A is called  $\delta$ -open [21] if, for each  $x \in A$ , there exists a regular open set G such that  $x \in G \subset A$ . The complement of  $\delta$ -open set is called  $\delta$ -closed. A point  $x \in X$  is called a  $\delta$ -cluster point of A if  $Int(Cl(U)) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ , for each open set V containing x. The set of all  $\delta$ -cluster points of A is called the  $\delta$ -closure of A and is denoted by  $Cl_{\delta}(A)$  [21]. The set  $\delta$ -interior of A is the union of all regular open sets of X contained in A and its denoted by  $Int_{\delta}(A)$  [21]. A is  $\delta$ -open if  $Int_{\delta}(A) = A$ .  $\delta$ -open sets form a topology  $\tau^{\delta}$ . The collection of all  $\delta$ -open sets in X is denoted by  $\delta O(X)$ . For more details see [2, 3].

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A subset A of a space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be *a*-open (resp. *a*-closed) [6] if  $A \subset Int(Cl(\delta - Int(A)))$   $(Cl(Int(\delta - Cl(A))) \subset A$ , respectively), or  $A \subset Int(Cl(\delta Int(A)))$   $(Cl(Int(\delta Cl(A)))) \subset A$ , respectively). The family of *a*-open sets of X forms a topology on X, denoted by  $\tau^a$  [7]. The family of all *a*-open (respectively a-closed) sets containing x is denoted by  $\tau^a(x)$  (aC(X, x), respectively).

If A is a subset of a space X, then the intersection of all a-closed sets containing A is called the a-closure of A and is denoted by aCl(H). The a-interior of A, denoted by aInt(A), is defined by the union of all a-open sets contained in A [6].

An ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  on a topological space  $(X, \mathcal{I})$  is a nonempty collection of subsets of X which satisfies the following conditions:

 $A \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $B \subset A$  implies  $B \in \mathcal{I}$ ;  $A \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $B \subset A$  implies  $A \cup B \in \mathcal{I}$ .

Applications of these concepts to various fields were further investigated by Jankovic and Hamlett [10] Dontchev et al. [5]; Mukherjee et al. [14]; Arenas et al. [4]; Nava-neethakrishnan et al. [16]; Nasef and Mahmoud [17] etc.

Given a topological space  $(X, \mathcal{I})$  with an ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  on X and if  $\wp(X)$  denotes the set of all subsets of X, a set operator  $(.)^* : \wp(X) \to \wp(X)$ , called a local function [22, 10] of A with respect to  $\tau$  and  $\mathcal{I}$ , is defined as follows: for  $A \subseteq X$ ,

$$A^*(\mathcal{I},\tau) = \{ x \in \tau \mid U \cap A \notin \text{ for every } \mathbf{U} \in \tau(x) \},\$$

where  $\tau(x) = \{U \in \tau \mid x \in U\}.$ 

A Kuratowski closure operator is  $Cl^*(x) = A \cup A^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$ . When there is no chance for confusion, we will simply write  $A^*$  for  $A^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$ .  $X^*$  is often a proper subset of X. The hypothesis  $X = X^*$  is equivalent to the hypothesis  $\tau \cap \mathcal{I} = \emptyset$  and  $\tau^*$  for  $\tau^*(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$ . If  $\mathcal{I}$  is an ideal on X, then  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is called an ideal space. N is the ideal of all nowhere dense subsets in  $(X, \tau)$ . A subset A of an ideal space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is  $\star$ -dense in itself [8], if  $A \subseteq A^*$ .

For every ideal topological space, there exists a topology  $\tau^*(\mathcal{I})$  finer than  $\tau$  generated by  $\beta(\mathcal{I}, \tau) = \{U - A \mid U \in \tau \text{ and } A \in \mathcal{I}\}$ , but in general  $\beta(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$  is not always a topology [10].

Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and A be a subset of X. Then  $A_*(\mathcal{I}, \tau) = \{x \in X : U \cap A \notin \mathcal{I} \text{ for every } U \in SO(X, x)\}$  is called a semi local function of A with respect to  $\mathcal{I}$  and  $\tau$  [12]. Let  $(X, \mathcal{I}, \tau)$  be an ideal topological space. We say that the topology  $\tau$  is *compatible* with the  $\mathcal{I}$ , denoted  $\tau \sim \mathcal{I}$ , if the following hold for every  $A \subset X$ : if for every  $x \in A$  there exists a  $U \in \tau$  such that  $U \cap A \in \mathcal{I}$ , then  $A \in \mathcal{I}$ .

## 3. *a*-Local Function

Quite recently, W. Al-Omeri, Mohd. Salmi Md. Noorani and A. Al-Omari [1] defined the *a*-local function and obtained some interesting results. Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and *A* be a subset of *X*. Then  $A^{a^*}(\mathcal{I}, \tau) = \{x \in X : U \cap A \notin \mathcal{I}, \text{ for every } U \in \tau^a(x)\}$ is called *a*-local function [1] of *A* with respect to  $\mathcal{I}$  and  $\tau$ , where  $\tau^a(x) = \{U \in \tau^a : x \in U\}$ . We denote simply  $A^{a^*}$  for  $A^{a^*}(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$ .

## Remark 3.1. [1]

- i) The minimal ideals are  $\{\emptyset\}$  in any topological space  $(X, \tau)$  and the maximal ideal is  $\wp(X)$ . It can be deduced that  $A^{a^*}(\{\emptyset\}) = Cl_a(A) \neq Cl(A)$  and  $A^{a^*}(\wp(X)) = \emptyset$ , for every  $A \subset X$ .
- ii) If  $A \in \mathcal{I}$ , then  $A^{a^*} = \emptyset$ .
- iii)  $A \nsubseteq A^{a^*}$  and  $A^{a^*} \nsubseteq A$ , in general.

**Theorem 3.1.** [1] Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal in topological space and A, B be subsets of X. Then for a-local functions the following properties hold:

i)  $\tau^a \cap \mathcal{I} = \emptyset;$ ii) If  $I \in \mathcal{I}$  then  $aInt(I) = \emptyset;$ iii) For every  $G \in \tau^a$  then  $G \subseteq G^{a^*};$ iv)  $X = X^{a^*}.$ 

**Theorem 3.2.** [1] Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal in topological space and A, B subsets of X. Then for *a*-local functions the following properties hold:

i) If  $A \,\subset B$ , then  $A^{a^*} \,\subset B^{a^*}$ ; ii) For another ideal  $J \supset \mathcal{I}$  on X,  $A^{a^*}(J) \subset A^{a^*}(\mathcal{I})$ ; iii)  $A^{a^*} \subset aCl(A)$ ; iv)  $A^{a^*}(\mathcal{I}) = aCl(A^{a^*}) \subset aCl(A)$  (i.e  $A^{a^*}$  is a a-closed subset of aCl(A)); v)  $(A^{a^*})^{a^*} \subset A^{a^*}$ ; vi)  $(A \cup B)^{a^*} = A^{a^*} \cup B^{a^*}$ ; vii)  $A^{a^*} - B^{a^*} = (A - B)^{a^*} - B^{a^*} \subset (A - B)^{a^*}$ ; viii) If  $U \in \tau^a$ , then  $U \cap A^{a^*} = U \cap (U \cap A)^{a^*} \subset (U \cap A)^{a^*}$ ; ix) If  $U \in \tau^a$ , then  $(A - U)^{a^*} = A^{a^*} = (A \cup U)^{a^*}$ ; x) If  $A \subset A^{a^*}$ , then  $A^{a^*}(\mathcal{I}) = aCl(A^{a^*}) = aCl(A)$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** [1] Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and A a subset of X. Then the

following are equivalent:

- i)  $\mathcal{I} \sim^a \tau$ ;
- ii) If a subset A of X has a cover a-open sets of whose intersection with A is in  $\mathcal{I}$ , then A is in  $\mathcal{I}$ , in other words  $A^{a^*} = \emptyset$ , then  $A \in \mathcal{I}$ ;
- *iii)* For every  $A \subset X$ , if  $A \cap A^{a^*} = \emptyset$ ,  $A \in \mathcal{I}$ ;
- iv) For every  $A \subset X$ ,  $A A^{a^*} \in \mathcal{I}$ ;

v) For every  $A \subset X$ , if A contains no nonempty subset B with  $B \subset B^{a^*}$ , then  $A \in \mathcal{I}$ .

**Theorem 3.4.** [1] Let  $(X, \mathcal{I}, \tau)$  be an ideal topological space. Then  $\beta(\mathcal{I}, \tau)$  is a basis for  $\tau^{a^*}$ .  $\beta(\mathcal{I}, \tau) = \{V - I_i : V \in \tau^a(x), I_i \in \mathcal{I}\}$  and  $\beta$  is not, in general, a topology.

**Theorem 3.5.** [1] Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space and A a subset of X. If  $\tau$  is a-compatible with  $\mathcal{I}$ , then the following are equivalent:

- *i)* For every  $A \subset X$ , if  $A \cap A^{a^*} = \emptyset$  implies  $A^{a^*} = \emptyset$ ;
- ii) For every  $A \subset X$ ,  $(A A^{a^*})^{a^*} = \emptyset$ ;
- iii) For every  $A \subset X_{\prime}(A \cap A^{a^*})^{a^*} = A^{a^*}$ .

**Remark 3.2.** [1] The notion of local function and semi local function are independent of that of *a*-local function, as illustrated by the following example.

**Example 3.1.** [1] Let  $X = \{x, y, w, z\}$  with a topology  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{x, y\}\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{x\}, \{y\}, \{x, y\}\}$ . Take  $A = \{x, z\}$ . Then  $A^* = \{\emptyset\}, A_* = \{z\}, A^{a^*} = X$ .

4. ON  $\Re_a$ -Operator In Ideal Topological Spaces

In this section we shall introduce the operator  $\Re_a$  in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ . In [11], Kuratowski has shown that Cl(A) = X - Int(X - A). This relation is the motivation of defining the operator  $\Re_a$ . We shall also discuss the behaviour of this operator.

**Definition 4.1.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an **a**-ideal space. An operator  $\Re_a : \wp(X) \to \tau$  is defined as follows: for every  $A \in \wp(X)$ ,

 $\Re_a(A) = \{x \in X : \text{ there exists} U_x \in \tau^a \text{ such that } U_x - A \in \mathcal{I}\}.$ 

Let us observes that  $\Re_a(A) = X - (X - A)^{a*}$ .

**Theorem 4.6.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an *a*-ideal space. Then for  $A \in \wp(X)$ ,  $\Re_a(A) = X - (X - A)^{a*}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x \in \Re_a(A)$ . Then there exists an *a*-open set  $U_x$  containing x such that  $U_x - A \in \mathcal{I}$ . Then  $X \cap (U_x - A) \in \mathcal{I}$  implies that  $U_x \cap (X - A) \in \mathcal{I}$ . So  $x \notin (X - A)^{a^*}$  and hence  $x \in X - (X - A)^{a^*}$ . Therefore

$$\Re_a(A) \subset X - (X - A)^{a*}.$$
(4.1)

For the reverse inclusion, consider  $x \in X - (X - A)^{a*}$ . Then  $x \notin (X - A)^{a^*}$ . Therefore there exists an *a*-open set  $U_x$  containing *x* such that  $U_x \cap (X - A) \in \mathcal{I}$ . This implies that  $U_x - A \in \mathcal{I}$ . Hence  $x \in \Re_a(A)$ . So

$$X - (X - A)^{a*} \subset \Re_a(A). \tag{4.2}$$

From (4.1) and (4.2), we get  $\Re_a(A) = X - (X - A)^{a*}$ .

Actually the relation  $\Re_a(A) = X - (X - A)^{a*}$  is equivalent to the definition of the operator  $\Re_a$ .

**Theorem 4.7.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an *a*-ideal space. Then the following properties hold:

- *i)* If  $A \subset X$ , then  $\Re_a(A)$  is a-open.
- ii) If  $A \subset B$ , then  $\Re_a(A) \subseteq \Re_a(B)$ .
- iii) If  $A, B \in \wp(X)$ , then  $\Re_a(A \cap B) = \Re_a(A) \cap \Re_a(B)$ .
- iv) If  $U \in \tau^{a^*}$ , then  $U \subseteq \Re_a(U)$ .
- v) If  $A \subset X$ , then  $\Re_a(A) \subseteq \Re_a(\Re_a(A))$ .
- vi) If  $A \subset X$ , then  $\Re_a(A) = \Re_a(\Re_a(A))$  if and only if  $(X A)^{a^*} = ((X A)^{a^*})^{a^*}$ .
- vii) If  $A \in \mathcal{I}$ , then  $\Re_a(A) = X X^{a^*}$ .
- viii) If  $A \subset X$ , then  $A \cap \Re_a(A) = Int^{a^*}(A)$ , where  $Int^{a^*}$  is the interior of  $\tau^{a^*}$  (Theorem 3.4).
  - ix) If  $A \subset X$ ,  $I \in \mathcal{I}$ , then  $\Re_a(A I) = \Re_a(A)$ .
- x) If  $A \subset X$ ,  $I \in \mathcal{I}$ , then  $\Re_a(A \cup I) = \Re_a(A)$ .
- *xi*) If  $(A B) \cup (B A) \in \mathcal{I}$ , then  $\Re_a(A) = \Re_a(B)$ .
- *xii)* If  $A, B \in \wp(X)$ , then  $\Re_a(A \cap B) \subset \Re_a(A) \cap \Re_a(B)$ .

*Proof.* (1) This follows by Theorem 4 (2).

(2) Given  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $(X - A) \supseteq (X - B)$ . Then, from Theorem 4 (1),  $(X - A)^{a^*} \supseteq (X - B)^{a^*}$  and hence  $\Re_a(A) \subseteq \Re_a(B)$ .

(3)  $\Re_a(A \cap B) = X - (X - A \cap B)^{a^*} = X - ((X - A) \cup (X - B))^{a^*}$ . This implies that  $\Re_a(A \cap B) = X - (X - A)^{a^*} \cup (X - B)^{a^*}$ , from Theorem 4 (7). Therefore  $\Re_a(A \cap B) = (X - (X - A)^{a^*}) \cap (X - (X - B)^{a^*})$ , and hence  $\Re_a(A \cap B) = \Re_a(A) \cap \Re_a(B)$ .

(4) If  $U \in \tau^{a^*}$ , then X - U is  $\tau^{a^*}$ -closed which implies  $(X - U)^{a^*} \subseteq (X - U)$  and hence  $U \subseteq X - (X - U)^{a^*} = \Re_a(U)$ .

(5) From (1)  $\Re_a(A)$  is *a*-open, and from (4)  $\Re_a(A) \subseteq \Re_a(\Re_a(A))$ .

(6) This follows from the facts:

i)  $\Re_a(A) = X - (X - A)^{a^*}$ .

ii)  $\Re_a(\Re_a(A)) = X - [X - X - (X - A)^{a^*})]^{a^*} = X - ((X - A)^{a^*})^{a^*}.$ 

(7) By Theorem 4 (10), we obtain that  $(X - A)^{a^*} = X^{a^*}$  if  $A \in \mathcal{I}$ . Then  $\Re_a(A) = X - (X - A)^{a^*} = X - X^{a^*}$ .

(8) If  $x \in A \cap \Re_a(A)$ , then  $x \in A$  and there exist a  $U_x \in \tau^a(x)$  such that  $U_x - A \in \mathcal{I}$ . Then by Theorem 3.4,  $U_x - (U_x - A)$  is an  $\tau^{a^*}$ -open neighbourhood of x and  $x \in Int^{a^*}(A)$ . On the other hand, if  $x \in Int^{a^*}(A)$ , there exists a basic  $\tau^{a^*}$ -open neighbourhood  $V_x - I$  of x, where  $V_x \in \tau^a$  and  $I \in \mathcal{I}$ , such that  $x \in V_x - I \subseteq A$  which implies  $x \in V_x - A \subseteq I$  and

hence  $V_x - A \in \mathcal{I}$ . Hence  $x \in A \cap \Re_a(A)$ . (9) We know that  $X - [X - (A - I)]^{a^*} = X - [(X - A) \cup I]^{a^*} = X - (X - A)^{a^*}$  (from Theorem 4(10)). So  $\Re_a(A - I) = \Re_a(A)$  by (9) and (10). (10) This follows from Theorem (9) and  $X - [X - (A \cup I)]^{a^*} = X - [(X - A) - I]^{a^*} =$  $X - (X - A)^{a^*} = \Re_a(A).$ (11) Given that  $(A - B) \cup (B - A) \in I$ , and let  $A - B = I_1, B - A = I_2$ . We observe that  $I_1$ and  $I_2 \in I$  by heredity. Also observe that  $B = (A - I_1) \cup I_2$ . Thus  $\Re_a(A) = \Re_a(A - I_1) =$  $\Re_a[(A-I_1)\cup I_2] = \Re_a(B).$ (12) Proof is obvious from (2). 

**Corollary 4.1.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an **a**-ideal space. Then  $U \subseteq \Re_a(U)$  for every *a*-open set U.

*Proof.* We know that  $\Re_a(A) = X - (X - A)^{a^*}$ . Now by Theorem 4(4)  $(X - U)^{a^*} \subset aCl(X - C)^{a^*}$ U = X - U, since X - U is a-closed. Therefore,  $U = X - (X - U) \subseteq X - (X - U)^{a^*} =$  $\Re_a(U)$  $\square$ 

**Theorem 4.8.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an *a*-ideal space and  $A \subseteq X$ . Then the following properties hold:

i)  $\Re_a(A) = \{x \in X : \text{there exists } U_x \in \tau^a(x) \colon U_x - A \in \mathcal{I}\}.$ ii)  $\Re_a(A) = \bigcup \{ U \in \tau^a : U - A \in \mathcal{I} \}.$ 

*Proof.* (1)  $x \in \Re_a(A) \Leftrightarrow x \notin (X - A)^{a^*} \Leftrightarrow$  there exists  $U_x \in \tau^a(x)$  such that  $U_x - A =$  $U_x \cap (X - A) \in \mathcal{I} \Leftrightarrow \{x \in X : \text{there exist } U_x \in \tau^a(x) : U_x - A \in \mathcal{I}\}.$ (2) Let  $H = \bigcup \{ U \in \tau^a : U - A \in \mathcal{I} \}$ . Now  $x \in H$  implies that there exist  $U \in \tau^a$  with  $x \in U$  such that  $U - A \in \mathcal{I}$ . Thus by (1),  $x \in \Re_a(A)$ . From the expression of  $\Re_a(A)$  in (1) it is clear that  $\Re_a(A) \subseteq H$ 

**Remark 4.3.** Let  $\mathcal{I} = \emptyset$ , then by Theorem 4.8(2)  $\Re_a(A) = \bigcup \{ U \in \tau^a : U - A = \emptyset \} =$  $\cup \{U \in \tau^a : U \subseteq A\} = aInt(A)$ , for any space  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 4.9.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an *a*-ideal space. If  $\Psi = \{A \subseteq X : A \subseteq \Re_a(A)\}$ , then  $\Psi$  is a topology for X and  $\Psi = \tau^{a^*}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\Psi = \{A \subset X : A \subset \Re_a(A)\}$ . First, we show that  $\Psi$  is a topology. Observe that  $\emptyset \subset \Re_a(\emptyset)$  and  $X \subset \Re_a(X) = X$ , and thus  $\emptyset$  and  $X \in \Psi$ . Now if  $A, B \in \Psi$ , then  $A \cap B \subseteq \Re_a(A) \cap \Re_a(B) = \Re_a(A \cap B)$ , which implies that  $A \cap B \in \Psi$ . If  $\{A_\alpha : \alpha \in \Re_a\} \subseteq \Psi$ , then  $A_{\alpha} \subseteq \Re_a(A_{\alpha}) \subseteq \Re_a(\cup A_{\alpha})$  for every  $\alpha$  and hence  $\cup A_{\alpha} \subseteq \Re_a(\cup A_{\alpha})$ . This shows that  $\Psi$  is a topology. Now if  $U \in \tau^{a^*}$  and  $x \in U$ , then by Theorem 3.4 there exist  $V \in \tau^a(x)$ and  $I \in \overline{\mathcal{I}}$  such that  $x \in V - I \subseteq U$ . Clearly  $V - U \subseteq I$  so that  $V - U \in \mathcal{I}$  by heredity and hence  $x \in \Re_a(U)$ . Thus  $U \subseteq \Re_a(U)$  and we have shown  $\tau^{a^*} \subseteq \Psi$ . Now let  $A \in \Psi$ , then we have  $A \subseteq \Re_a(A)$ , that is,  $A \subseteq X - (X - A)^{a^*}$  and  $(X - A)^{a^*} \subseteq X - A$ . This shows that X - A is  $\tau^{a^*}$ -closed and hence  $A \in \tau^{a^*}$ . Thus  $\Psi \subset \tau^{a^*}$  and hence  $\Psi = \tau^{a^*}$ .

**Theorem 4.10.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an *a*-ideal space and  $A \subseteq X$ . Then for any *a*-open set A of X,  $\Re_a(A) = \bigcup \{ U \in \tau^a : (U - A) \cup (A - U) \in \mathcal{I} \}.$ 

*Proof.* Let  $H = \bigcup \{ U \in \tau^a : (U - A) \cup (A - U) \in \mathcal{I} \}$ . Since  $\mathcal{I}$  is heredity, it is obvious that  $H = \bigcup \{U \in \tau^a : (U - A) \cup (A - U) \in \mathcal{I}\} \subseteq \bigcup \{U \in \tau^a : (U - A) \in \mathcal{I}\} = \Re_a(A)$  for every  $A \subseteq X$ . Now, let  $x \in \Re_a(A)$ , then there exist  $U \in \tau^a(x)$  such that  $U - A \in \mathcal{I}$ . Let  $V = U \cup A \in \tau^a$ , then  $(V - A) \cup (A - V) = U - A \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $x \in V \in \tau^a$ . Thus  $x \in H$ .  $\square$ 

**Definition 4.2.** [1] Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal topological space. Then  $\tau$  is said to be *a*compatible with respect to  $\mathcal{I}$ , denoted by  $\tau \sim^a \mathcal{I}$ , if and only if, for every  $x \in A$  there exist  $U \in \tau^a(x)$  such that  $U \cap A \in \mathcal{I}$ , then  $A \in \mathcal{I}$ .

 $\square$ 

**Theorem 4.11.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an *a*-ideal space. Then  $\tau \sim^a \mathcal{I}$  if and only if  $\Re_a(A) - A \in \mathcal{I}$ , for every  $A \subseteq X$ .

*Proof.* (*Necessity*). Assume  $\tau \sim^a \mathcal{I}$  and let  $A \subseteq X$ . Observe that  $x \in \Re_a(A) - A \in \mathcal{I}$  if and only if  $x \notin A$  and  $x \notin (X - A)^{a^*}$  if and only if  $x \notin A$  and there exists  $U_x \in \tau^a(x)$  such that  $U_x - A = U_x \cap (X - A) \in \mathcal{I}$  if and only if there exists  $U_x \in \tau^a(x)$  such that  $x \in U_x - A$ . Now, for each  $x \in \Re_a(A) - A$  and  $U_x \in \tau^a(x)$ ,  $U_x \cap (\Re_a(A) - A) \in \mathcal{I}$  by heredity so that  $\Re_a(A) - A \in \mathcal{I}$  by assumption that  $\tau \sim^a \mathcal{I}$ .

(sufficiency). Let  $A \subseteq X$  and assume for each  $x \in A$  there exists  $U_x \in \tau^a(x)$  such that  $U_x \cap A \in \mathcal{I}$ . Observe that  $\Re_a(X - A) - (X - A) = \{x \in X : \text{there exist} U_x \in \tau^a(x) : U_x - A \in \mathcal{I}\}$ . Thus we have  $A \subseteq \Re_a(X - A) - (X - A) \in \mathcal{I}$  and hence  $A \in \mathcal{I}$  by heredity of  $\mathcal{I}$ .

**Proposition 4.1.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an *a*-ideal space. Then  $\tau \sim^a \mathcal{I}$ ,  $A \subseteq X$ . If N is a nonempty *a*-open subset of  $A^* \cap \Re_a(A)$ , then  $N - A \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $N \cap A \notin \mathcal{I}$ .

*Proof.* If  $N \subseteq A^{a^*} \cap \Re_a(A)$ , then  $N - A \subseteq \Re_a(A) - A \in \mathcal{I}$  by Theorem 4.11 and hence  $N - A \in \mathcal{I}$  by heredity. Since  $N \in \tau^a - \{\emptyset\}$  and  $N \subseteq A^{a^*}$ , we have  $N \cap A \notin \mathcal{I}$  by the definition of  $A^{a^*}$ .

As a consequence of Theorem 4.11, we have the following.

**Corollary 4.2.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an *a*-ideal space with  $\tau \sim^a \mathcal{I}$ . Then  $\Re_a(\Re_a(A)) = \Re_a(A)$ , for every  $A \subseteq X$ .

*Proof.*  $\Re_a(A) \subseteq \Re_a(\Re_a(A))$  follows from Theorem 4.7(5). Since  $\tau \sim^a \mathcal{I}$ ,  $\Re_a(A) = A \cup I$  for some  $I \in \mathcal{I}$  (Theorem 4.11) and hence  $\Re_a(\Re_a(A)) = \Re_a(A)$  by Theorem 4.7(10).

To see that the converse of Corollary 4 does not hold, let *X* be an infinite discrete space with  $\mathcal{I}$  the ideal of finite subsets. For each  $A \subseteq X$ ,  $(\Re_a(A)) = X$ , and hence  $\Re_a(\Re_a(A)) = \Re_a(A) = X$ , but  $\mathcal{I}$  is not *a*-compatible with  $\tau$ .

**Theorem 4.12.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an *a*-ideal space with  $\tau \sim^a \mathcal{I}$ . Then  $\Re_a(A) = \bigcup \{ \Re_a(U) : U \in \tau^a, \Re_a(U) - A \in \mathcal{I} \}.$ 

*Proof.* Let  $H(A) = \bigcup \{\Re_a(U) : U \in \tau^a, \Re_a(U) - A \in \mathcal{I}\}$ . clearly,  $H(A) \subseteq \Re_a(A)$ . Now let  $x \in \Re_a(A)$ . Then there exists  $U \in \tau^a(x)$  such that  $U - A \in \mathcal{I}$ . By corollary 4.1,  $U \subseteq \Re_a(U)$  and  $\Re_a(U) - A \subseteq [\Re_a(U) - U] \cup [U - A]$ . By Theorem 4.11,  $\Re_a(U) - U \in \mathcal{I}$  and hence  $\Re_a(U) - A \in \mathcal{I}$  hence  $x \in H(A)$  and  $H(A) \supseteq \Re_a(A)$ . Consequently, we obtain  $H(A) = \Re_a(A)$ .

Newcomb defined In [18],  $A = B[mod \mathcal{I}]$  if  $(A - B) \cup (B - A) \in \mathcal{I}$  and observed that  $= [mod \mathcal{I}]$  is an equivalence relation. By Theorem 4.7(11), we have that if  $A = B[mod \mathcal{I}]$ , then  $\Re_a(A) = \Re_a(B)$ .

**Definition 4.3.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an **a**-ideal space and with set  $A \subseteq X$ . A is said to be a Baire set with respect to  $\tau^a$  and  $\mathcal{I}$ , denoted  $A \in \mathcal{B}_r(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ , if there exist a *a*-open set  $U \in \tau^a$  such that  $A = U[mod \mathcal{I}]$ .

**Lemma 4.1.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an *a*-ideal space with  $\tau \sim^a \mathcal{I}$ . If  $U, V \in \tau^a$  and  $\Re_a(U) = \Re_a(V)$ , then  $U = V [mod \mathcal{I}]$ .

*Proof.* Since  $U \in \tau^a$ , by Theorem 4.7(4)  $U \subseteq \Re_a(U)$  and hence  $U - V \subseteq \Re_a(U) - V = \Re_a(V) - V \in \mathcal{I}$  by Theorem 4.11. Similarly  $V - U \in \mathcal{I}$ . Now  $(U - V) \cup (V - U) \in \mathcal{I}$  by additivity. Hence  $U = V[mod\mathcal{I}]$ .

**Theorem 4.13.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an *a*-ideal space with  $\tau \sim^a \mathcal{I}$ . If  $A, B \in \mathcal{B}_r(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ , and  $\Re_a(A) = \Re_a(B)$ , then  $A = B[mod \mathcal{I}]$ .

*Proof.*  $U, V \in \tau^a$  such that  $A = U[mod \mathcal{I}]$  and  $B = V[mod \mathcal{I}]$ . Now  $\Re_a(A) = \Re_a(U)$  and  $\Re_a(B) = \Re_a(V)$  by Theorem 4.7(11).  $\Re_a(U) = \Re_a(V)$  and hence  $U = V[mod \mathcal{I}]$  by Lemma 4.1 then  $A = B[mod \mathcal{I}]$  by transitivity.

**Proposition 4.2.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an *a*-ideal space with  $\tau^a \cap \mathcal{I} = \emptyset$ . If  $B \in \mathcal{B}_r(X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) - \mathcal{I}$ , then  $\Re_a(B) \cap aInt(B^{a^*}) \neq \emptyset$ .

*Proof.* Assume  $B \in \mathcal{B}_r(X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) - \mathcal{I}$ , then by Proposition 4.3(1) there exists  $A \in \tau^a - \{\emptyset\}$  such that  $B = A[mod \mathcal{I}]$ . This implies  $\emptyset \neq A \subset A^{a^*} = ((B - J) \cup I)^{a^*} = B^{a^*}$ , where J = B - A,  $I = A - B \in \mathcal{I}$  by Theorem 3.1 and Theorem 4(9). Also  $\emptyset \neq A \subset \Re_a(A) = \Re_a(B)$  by Theorem 4.7(11), so that  $A \subseteq \Re_a(B) \cap aInt(B^{a^*})$ .

**Proposition 4.3.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an *a*-ideal space

- i) If  $B \in \mathcal{B}_r(X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \mathcal{I}$ , then there exists  $A \in \tau^a \{\emptyset\}$  such that  $B = A[mod \mathcal{I}]$
- *ii)* If  $\tau^a \cap \mathcal{I} = \emptyset$ , then  $B \in \mathcal{B}_r(X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \mathcal{I}$  if and only if there exists  $A \in \tau^a \{\emptyset\}$  such that  $B = A[mod \mathcal{I}]$ .

*Proof.* (1) Assume  $B \in \mathcal{B}_r(X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) - \mathcal{I}$ , then  $B \in \mathcal{B}_r(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ . Now, if there does not exist  $A \in \tau^a - \{\emptyset\}$  such that  $B = A[mod \mathcal{I}]$ , this implies that  $B \in \mathcal{I}$ , which is a contradiction.

(2) Assume that there exists  $A \in \tau^a - \{\emptyset\}$  such that  $B = A[mod \mathcal{I}]$ . Then  $A = (B-J) \cup I$ , where J = B - A,  $I = A - B \in \mathcal{I}$ . If  $B \in \mathcal{I}$  then  $A \in \mathcal{I}$  by heredity and additivity, which is contrast to  $\tau^a \cap \mathcal{I} = \emptyset$ .

**Theorem 4.14.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an *a*-ideal space with  $\tau^a \cap \mathcal{I} = \emptyset$ . Then, for  $A \subseteq X$ ,  $\Re_a(A) \subseteq A^{a^*}$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $x \in \Re_a(A)$  and  $x \notin A^{a^*}$ . Then there exists U containing x such that  $U_x \in aO(x)$  and  $U_x \cap A \in \mathcal{I}$ . Since  $x \in \tau^a$ , then by Theorem 4.8(2)  $\Re_a(A) = \bigcup \{U \in \tau^a : U - A \in \mathcal{I}\}$  and there exist  $V \in \tau^a$  such that  $x \in V$  and  $V - A \in \mathcal{I}$ . Then we have  $U_x \cap V \in aO(x)$ ,  $(U_x \cap V) - A \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $U_x \cap V \cap A \in \mathcal{I}$  by heredity. Hence by finite additivity we have  $(U_x \cap V \cap A) \cup ((U_x \cap V) - A) = U_x \cap V) \in \mathcal{I}$ . Since  $(U_x \cap V) \in aO(x)$ , this is contrary with  $\tau^a \cap \mathcal{I} = \emptyset$ . So  $x \in A^{a^*}$ . This implies  $\Re_a(A) \subseteq A^{a^*}$ .

Given an ideal topology space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$ , let  $\mathcal{U}(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  denoted by  $\{A \subset X: \text{there exists } B \in \mathcal{B}_r(X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) - \mathcal{I} \text{ such that } B \subseteq A\}$ .

**Proposition 4.4.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an *a*-ideal space with  $\tau^a \cap \mathcal{I} = \emptyset$ . Then the following are equivalent:

i)  $A \in \mathcal{U}(X, \tau, \mathcal{I});$ ii)  $\Re_a(A) \cap aInt(A^{a^*}) \neq \emptyset;$ iii)  $\Re_a(A) \cap A^{a^*} \neq \emptyset;$ iv)  $\Re_a(A) \neq \emptyset;$ v)  $Int^{a^*}(A) \neq \emptyset;$ 

*vi*) There exists  $N \in \tau^a - \{\emptyset\}$  such that  $N - A \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $N \cap A \notin \mathcal{I}$ .

*Proof.* (1) $\Rightarrow$ (2): Let  $B \in \mathcal{B}_r(X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) - \mathcal{I}$  such that  $B \subset A$ . Then  $aInt(B^{a^*}) \subset aInt(A^{a^*})$  and  $\Re_a(B) \subset \Re_a(A)$  and hence  $\Re_a(B) \cap aInt(B^{a^*}) \subset \Re_a(A) \cap aInt(A^{a^*})$ . By the proposition 4.3, we have  $\Re_a(A) \cap aInt(A^{a^*}) \neq \emptyset$ .

(2) $\Rightarrow$ (3): The proof is obvious.

(3) $\Rightarrow$ (4): The proof is obvious.

(4) $\Rightarrow$ (5): If  $\Re_a(A) \neq \emptyset$ , then there exists  $U \in \tau^a - \emptyset$  such that  $U - A \in \mathcal{I}$ . Since  $U \notin \mathcal{I}$  and  $U = (U - A) \cup (U \cap A)$ , we have  $U \cap A \notin \mathcal{I}$ . By Theorem 4.7  $\emptyset \neq (U \cap A) \subset \Re_a(U) \cap A = \Re_a((U - A) \cup (U \cap A)) \cap A = \Re_a((U \cap A) \cap A = Int^{a^*}(A)$ . Hence  $Int^{a^*}(A) \neq \emptyset$ .

 $(5)\Rightarrow(6): \text{ If } Int^{a^*}(A) \neq \emptyset, \text{ then there exists } N \in \tau^a - \emptyset \text{ and } I \in \mathcal{I} \text{ such that } \emptyset \neq N - A \subset A. \text{ We have } N - A \in \mathcal{I}, N = (N - A) \cup (N \cap A) \text{ and } N \notin \mathcal{I}. \text{ This implies that } N \cap A \notin \mathcal{I}.$  $(6)\Rightarrow(1): \text{ Let } B = N \cap A \notin \mathcal{I} \text{ with } N \in \tau^a - \emptyset \text{ and } (N - A) \in \mathcal{I}. \text{ Then } B \in \mathcal{B}_r(X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) - \mathcal{I} \text{ since } B \notin \mathcal{I} \text{ and } (B - N) \cup (N - B) = N - A \in \mathcal{I}.$ 

**Corollary 4.3.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an *a*-ideal space with  $\tau^a \cap \mathcal{I} = \emptyset$ . Then for  $A \subseteq X$ ,  $\Re_a(A) \subseteq aCl(A^{a^*})$ .

**Theorem 4.15.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an *a*-ideal space. Then the following properties are equivalent:

- i)  $\tau^a \cap \mathcal{I} = \emptyset;$
- *ii*)  $\Re_a(\emptyset) = \emptyset;$
- *iii)* If  $A \subseteq X$  is a-closed, then ,  $\Re_a(A) A = \emptyset$ ;
- iv) If  $I \in \mathcal{I}$ . then  $\Re_a(I) = \emptyset$ .

*Proof.* (1) $\Rightarrow$ (2): Since  $\tau^a \cap \mathcal{I} = \emptyset$ , then by Theorem 4.8(2)  $\Re_a(A) = \bigcup \{U \in \tau^a : U - A \in \mathcal{I}\} = \emptyset$ .

(2) $\Rightarrow$ (3): Suppose  $\Re_a(A) - A$ , then there exist a  $U_x \in \tau^a(x)$  such that  $x \in U_x - A \in \mathcal{I}$ and  $U_x - A \in \tau^a$ . But then  $U_x - A \in \{U_x \in \tau^a : U \in \mathcal{I}\}$  which implies that  $\Re_a(\emptyset) \neq \emptyset$ . Hence  $\Re_a(A) - A = \emptyset$ .

(3) $\Rightarrow$ (4): Let  $I \in \mathcal{I}$  and since  $\emptyset$  is a-closed, then  $\Re_a(I) = \Re_a(I \cup \emptyset) = \Re_a(I) = \emptyset$ .

(4) $\Rightarrow$ (1): Suppose  $A \in \tau^a \cap \mathcal{I}$ , then  $A \in \mathcal{I}$  and by (4)  $\Re_a(A) = \emptyset$ . Since  $A \in \tau^a$ , by Corollary 4.1 we have  $A \subseteq \Re_a(A) = \emptyset$ . Hence  $\tau^a \cap \mathcal{I} = \emptyset$ .

**Definition 4.4.** A subset in an **a**-ideal space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be  $\mathcal{I}_a$ -dense if  $A^{a^*} = X$ .

The set of all  $\mathcal{I}_a$ -dense in  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{I}_a \mathcal{D}(X, \tau)$ . The collection of all dense sets in  $(X, \tau)$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{D}(X, \tau)$ . Now we show that the collection of dense sets in a topological space  $(X, \tau^{a^*})$  which is denoted by  $\mathcal{D}(X, \tau^{a^*})$  and the collection of  $\mathcal{I}_a$ -dense ideal in a topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  are equal if  $\tau^a \cap \mathcal{I} = \emptyset$ .

**Theorem 4.16.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an *a*-ideal space. Then for  $x \in X$ ,  $X - \{x\}$  is  $\mathcal{I}$ -dense if and only if  $\Re_a(\{x\}) = \emptyset$ .

*Proof.* The proof follows from the definition 4.4, since  $\Re_a(\{x\}) = (X - \{x\})^{a^*} = \emptyset$ . if and only if  $X = (X - \{x\})^{a^*}$ .

**Theorem 4.17.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an *a*-ideal space. If  $\tau^a \cap \mathcal{I} = \emptyset$ , then  $\mathcal{I}_a \mathcal{D}(X, \tau) = \mathcal{D}(X, \tau^{a^*})$ .

*Proof.* Let  $D \in \mathcal{I}_a \mathcal{D}(X, \tau)$ . Then  $aCl^*(D) = D \cup D^{a^*} = X$ , i.e.  $D \in \mathcal{D}(X, \tau^{a^*})$ . Therefore  $\mathcal{I}_a \mathcal{D}(X, \tau) \subseteq \mathcal{D}(X, \tau^{a^*})$ .

Conversely, let  $D \in \mathcal{D}(X, \tau)^{a^*}$ . Then  $aCl^*(D) = D \cup D^{a^*} = X$ . We prove that  $D^{a^*} = X$ . Let  $x \in X$  such that  $x \notin D^{a^*}$ . Therefore there exists  $\emptyset \neq U \in \tau^a$  such that  $U \cap D \in \mathcal{I}$ . Since  $U \notin \mathcal{I}, U \cap (X - D) \notin \mathcal{I}$  and hence  $U \cap (X - D) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $x_0 \in U \cap (X - D)$ . Then  $x_0 \notin D$  and also  $x_0 \in D^{a^*}$ . Because  $x_0 \in D^{a^*}$  implies that  $U \cap D \notin \mathcal{I}$  which is contrary to  $U \cap D \in \mathcal{I}$ . Thus  $x_0 \in D \cup D^{a^*} = aCl^*(D) = X$ . This is a contradiction. Therefore, we obtain  $D \in \mathcal{I}_a \mathcal{D}(X, \tau)$ . Therefore,  $D \in \mathcal{D}(X, \tau^{a^*}) \subseteq D \in \mathcal{I}_a \mathcal{D}(X, \tau)$ . Hence  $\mathcal{I}_a \mathcal{D}(X, \tau) = \mathcal{D}(X, \tau^{a^*})$ .

**Proposition 4.5.** Let  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  be an *a*-ideal space. If  $\tau^a \cap \mathcal{I} = \emptyset$ , then  $\Re_a(A) \neq \emptyset$  if and only if A contains a nonempty  $\tau^{a^*}$ -interior.

*Proof.* Let  $\Re_a(A) \neq \emptyset$  By Theorem 4.8(2),  $\Re_a(A) = \bigcup \{ U \in \tau^a : U - A \in \mathcal{I} \}$  and there exist a nonempty set  $U \in \tau^a$  such that  $U - A \in \mathcal{I}$ . Let U - A = P, where  $P \in \mathcal{I}$ . Now  $U - P \subseteq A$ . By Theorem 3.4  $U - P \in \tau^{a^*}$  and A contains a nonempty  $\tau^{a^*}$ -interior.

Conversely, suppose that A contains a nonempty  $\tau^{a^*}$ -interior. Hence there exist a nonempty set  $U \in \tau^a$  and  $P \in \mathcal{I}$  such that  $U - P \subseteq A$ . So  $U - A \subseteq P$ . Let  $M = U - A \subseteq P$ , then  $M \in \mathcal{I}$ . Hence  $\cup \{U \in \tau^a : U - A \in \mathcal{I}\} = \Re_a(A) \neq \emptyset$ .

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