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## ON $qI$ -OPEN SETS IN IDEAL BITOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we introduce and study the concept of  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open set. Based on this new concept, we define new classes of functions, namely  $q\mathcal{I}$ -continuous functions,  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open functions and  $q\mathcal{I}$ -closed functions, for which we prove characterization theorems.

### 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

A bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is a nonempty set  $X$  equipped with two topologies  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  [5]. In a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ , a set  $A \subset X$  is said to be quasi-open [7] if  $A = U \cup V$  for some  $U \in \tau_1$  and  $V \in \tau_2$ . Clearly, every  $\tau_1$ -open set as well as  $\tau_2$ -open set is quasi-open, but not conversely. Any union of quasi-open sets is quasi-open. A set is said to be quasi-closed [7] if its complement is quasi-open. Every  $\tau_1$ -closed set as well as  $\tau_2$ -closed set is quasi-closed, but not conversely. Any intersection of quasi-closed sets is quasi-closed [7]. The quasi-closure [7] of a set  $A$ , denoted by  $qCl(A)$ , is the intersection of all quasi-closed sets containing  $A$ . In fact, a set  $A$  is quasi-closed if and only if  $A = qCl(A)$ . The concept of ideal in topological spaces has been introduced and studied by Kuratowski [4] and Vaidyanathasamy [8]. 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  $A \cup B \in \mathcal{I}$ .

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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  $(\cdot)^*: \mathcal{P}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ , called the local function [8] of  $A$  with respect to  $\tau$  and  $\mathcal{I}$ , is defined as follows: for  $A \subset X$ ,  $A^*(\tau, \mathcal{I}) = \{x \in X \mid U \cap A \notin \mathcal{I} \text{ for every } U \in \tau(x)\}$ , where  $\tau(x) = \{U \in \tau \mid x \in U\}$ . In this paper, we introduce and study the concept of  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open set. Based on this new concept, we define new classes of functions, namely  $q\mathcal{I}$ -continuous functions,  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open functions and  $q\mathcal{I}$ -closed functions, for which we prove characterization theorems.

## 2. QUASI-LOCAL FUNCTIONS

**Definition 2.1.** *Given a bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  with an ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  on  $X$ , the quasi-local function of  $A$  with respect to  $\tau_1, \tau_2$  and  $\mathcal{I}$ , denoted by  $A_q^*(\tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  is defined as follows  $A_q^*(\tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) = \{x \in X : A \cap U \notin \mathcal{I} \text{ for every quasi-open set containing } x\}$ . When there is no ambiguity, we will write  $A_q^*$  for  $A_q^*(\tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ .*

**Remark 2.2.** *Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal bitopological space and  $A$  a subset of  $X$ . Then we have the following:*

- (1)  $A_q^* \subset A^*(\tau_1, \mathcal{I})$  and  $A_q^* \subset A^*(\tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ .
- (2)  $A_q^*(\tau_1, \tau_2, \{\emptyset\}) = q\text{Cl}(A)$ .
- (3)  $A_q^*(\tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{P}(X)) = \emptyset$ .
- (4) If  $A \in \mathcal{I}$ , then  $A_q^* = \emptyset$ .
- (5) Neither  $A \subset A_q^*$  nor  $A_q^* \subset A$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal bitopological space and  $A, B$  subsets of  $X$ . Then we have the following:*

- (1) If  $A \subset B$ , then  $A_q^* \subset B_q^*$ .
- (2)  $A_q^* = q\text{Cl}(A_q^*) \subset q\text{Cl}(A)$  and  $A_q^*$  is a quasi-closed set in  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ .
- (3)  $(A_q^*)_q^* \subset A_q^*$ .
- (4)  $(A \cup B)_q^* = A_q^* \cup B_q^*$ .
- (5)  $A_q^* \setminus B_q^* = (A \setminus B)_q^* \setminus B_q^* \subset (A \setminus B)_q^*$
- (6) If  $C \in \mathcal{I}$ , then  $(A \setminus C)_q^* \subset A_q^* = (A \cup C)_q^*$ .

*Proof.* (1). Suppose that  $A \subset B$  and  $x \notin B_q^*$ . Then there exists a quasi-open set  $U$  containing  $x$  such that  $U \cap B \in \mathcal{I}$ . Since  $A \subset B$ ,  $U \cap A \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $x \notin A_q^*$ . This shows that  $A_q^* \subset B_q^*$ .

(2). We have  $A_q^* \subset q\text{Cl}(A_q^*)$  in general. Let  $x \in q\text{Cl}(A_q^*)$ . Then  $A_q^* \cap U \neq \emptyset$  for every quasi-open set  $U$  containing  $x$ . Therefore, there exists  $y \in A_q^* \cap U$  and quasi-open set  $U$  containing  $y$ . Since  $y \in A_q^*$ ,  $U \cap A \notin \mathcal{I}$  and hence  $x \in A_q^*$ . Therefore, we have  $q\text{Cl}(A_q^*) \subset A_q^*$ .

Again, let  $x \in q\text{Cl}(A_q^*) = A_q^*$ , then  $U \cap A \notin \mathcal{I}$  for every quasi-open set  $U$  containing  $x$ . This implies  $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$  for every quasi-open set  $U$  containing  $x$ . Therefore,  $x \in q\text{Cl}(A)$ . This proves  $A_q^* = q\text{Cl}(A_q^*) \subset q\text{Cl}(A)$ .

(3). Let  $x \in (A_q^*)^*$ . Then for every quasi-open set  $U$  containing  $x$ ,  $U \cap A_q^* \notin \mathcal{I}$  and hence  $U \cap A_q^* \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $y \in U \cap A_q^*$ . Then there exists a quasi-open set  $U$  containing  $y$  and  $y \in A_q^*$ . Hence we have  $U \cap A \notin \mathcal{I}$  and  $x \in A_q^*$ . This shows that  $(A_q^*)_q^* \subset A_q^*$ .

(4). By (1), we have  $A_q^* \cup B_q^* \subset (A \cup B)_q^*$ . For the reverse inclusion, let  $x \in (A \cup B)_q^*$ . Then for every quasi-open set  $U$  containing  $x$ ,  $(U \cap A) \cup (U \cap B) = U \cap (A \cup B) \notin \mathcal{I}$ . Therefore,  $U \cap A \notin \mathcal{I}$  or  $U \cap B \notin \mathcal{I}$ . This implies that  $x \in A_q^*$  or  $x \in B_q^*$ . Hence  $x \in A_q^* \cup B_q^*$ .

(5). We have  $A_q^* = (A \setminus B)_q^* \cup (B \cap A)_q^*$ ; thus  $A_q^* \setminus B_q^* = A_q^* \cap (X \setminus B_q^*) = (A \setminus B)_q^* \cup (B \cap A)_q^* \cap (X \setminus B_q^*) = ((A \setminus B)_q^* \cap (X \setminus B_q^*)) \cup ((B \cap A)_q^* \cap (X \setminus B_q^*)) = ((A \setminus B)_q^* \setminus B_q^*) \cup \emptyset \subset (A \setminus B)_q^*$ .

(6). Since  $A \setminus C \subset A$ , by (1),  $(A \setminus C)_q^* \subset A_q^*$ . By (4) and Remark 2.2 (4),  $(A \cup C)_q^* = A_q^* \cup C_q^* = A_q^* \cup \emptyset = A_q^*$ . Therefore, we obtain  $(A \setminus C)_q^* \subset A_q^*$ . Therefore,  $(A \setminus C)_q^* \subset A_q^* = (A \cup C)_q^*$ .  $\square$

**Remark 2.4.** Let  $\tau = \tau_1 = \tau_2$ . Then by Theorem 2.3 we obtain the results for a topological space  $(X, \tau, \mathcal{I})$  established in Theorem 2.3 of [3].

**Theorem 2.5.** Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  be a bitopological space with ideals  $\mathcal{I}_1$  and  $\mathcal{I}_2$  on  $X$  and  $A$  a subset of  $X$ . Then we have the following:

- (1) If  $\mathcal{I}_1 \subset \mathcal{I}_2$ , then  $A_q^*(\mathcal{I}_2) \subset A_q^*(\mathcal{I}_1)$ .
- (2)  $A_q^*(\mathcal{I}_1 \cap \mathcal{I}_2) = A_q^*(\mathcal{I}_1) \cup A_q^*(\mathcal{I}_2)$ .

*Proof.* (1). Let  $\mathcal{I}_1 \subset \mathcal{I}_2$  and  $x \in A_q^*(\mathcal{I}_2)$ . Then  $A \cap U \notin \mathcal{I}_2$  for every quasi-open set  $U$  containing  $x$ . By hypothesis,  $A \cap U \notin \mathcal{I}_1$ ; hence  $x \in A_q^*(\mathcal{I}_1)$ . Therefore, we have  $A_q^*(\mathcal{I}_2) \subset A_q^*(\mathcal{I}_1)$ .

(2). Let  $x \in A_q^*(\mathcal{I}_1 \cap \mathcal{I}_2)$ . Then, for every quasi-open set  $U$  containing  $x$ ,  $A \cap U \notin (\mathcal{I}_1 \cap \mathcal{I}_2)$ ; hence  $A \cap U \notin \mathcal{I}_1$  or  $A \cap U \notin \mathcal{I}_2$ . This shows that  $x \in A_q^*(\mathcal{I}_1)$  or  $x \in A_q^*(\mathcal{I}_2)$ . Therefore, we have  $x \in A_q^*(\mathcal{I}_1) \cup A_q^*(\mathcal{I}_2)$ ; hence  $A_q^*(\mathcal{I}_1 \cap \mathcal{I}_2) \subset A_q^*(\mathcal{I}_1) \cup A_q^*(\mathcal{I}_2)$ . By Theorem 2.3 (1), we have  $A_q^*(\mathcal{I}_1) \cup A_q^*(\mathcal{I}_2) \subset A_q^*(\mathcal{I}_1 \cap \mathcal{I}_2)$ . Thus,  $A_q^*(\mathcal{I}_1 \cap \mathcal{I}_2) = A_q^*(\mathcal{I}_1) \cup A_q^*(\mathcal{I}_2)$ .  $\square$

**Definition 2.6.** The quasi- $*$ -closure of  $A \subset X$ , denoted by  $q\text{Cl}^*(A)$ , is defined by  $q\text{Cl}^*(A) = A \cup A_q^*$ .

**Proposition 2.7.** The set operator  $q\text{Cl}^*$  satisfies the following:

- (1)  $A \subset q\text{Cl}^*(A)$ .

- (2)  $q\text{Cl}^*(\emptyset) = \emptyset$  and  $q\text{Cl}^*(X) = X$ .
- (3) If  $A \subset B$ , then  $q\text{Cl}^*(A) \subset q\text{Cl}^*(B)$ .
- (4)  $q\text{Cl}^*(A) \cup q\text{Cl}^*(B) \subset q\text{Cl}^*(A \cup B)$ .

*Proof.* The proof follows from the Definition 2.6. □

**Remark 2.8.** If  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ , then  $q\text{Cl}^*(A) = q\text{Cl}(A)$  for  $A \subset X$ .

**Definition 2.9.** A subset  $A$  of an ideal bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open if  $A \subset q\text{Int}(A_q^*)$ . The complement of a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open set is called a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -closed set. The family of all  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open (resp.  $q\mathcal{I}$ -closed) sets of  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  is denoted by  $Q\mathcal{I}O(X)$  (resp.  $Q\mathcal{I}C(X)$ ). The family of all  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open sets of  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  containing the point  $x$  is denoted by  $Q\mathcal{I}O(X, x)$ .

**Definition 2.10.** A subset  $A$  of an ideal bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be:

- (1)  $(1, 2)$ -preopen if  $A \subset q\text{Int}(q\text{Cl}(A))$ .
- (2)  $(1, 2)$ -semiclosed if  $q\text{Int}(q\text{Cl}(A)) \subset A$ .

**Proposition 2.11.** Every  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open set is  $(1, 2)$ -preopen.

*Proof.* Let  $A \in Q\mathcal{I}O(X)$ . Then  $A \subset q\text{Int}(A_q^*)$ . By Theorem 2.3 (2),  $A \subset q\text{Int}(q\text{Cl}(A))$ . This shows that  $A$  is an  $(1, 2)$ -preopen set. □

The following example shows that the converse of Proposition 2.11 is not true in general.

**Example 2.12.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\tau_1 = \{\emptyset, \{c\}, X\}$ ,  $\tau_2 = \{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, X\}$  and  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$ . Then the set  $\{d\}$  is  $(1, 2)$ -preopen but not  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open.

**Remark 2.13.** For an ideal bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ , we have the following:

- (1)  $X$  needs not be a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open set.
- (2) If  $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{P}(X)$ , then only the empty set is  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open.
- (3)  $q\mathcal{I}$ -openness and quasi-openness are independent concepts.
- (4) If  $\mathcal{I} = \{\emptyset\}$ ,  $q\mathcal{I}$ -openness and quasi-openness are equivalent.

**Proposition 2.14.** If  $A$  is  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open, then  $A_q^* = (q\text{Int}(A_q^*))_q^*$ .

*Proof.* Since  $A$  is  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open,  $A \subset q\text{Int}(A_q^*)$ . Then  $A_q^* \subset (q\text{Int}(A_q^*))_q^*$ . Also we have  $q\text{Int}(A_q^*) \subset A_q^*$ ,  $(q\text{Int}(A_q^*))^* \subset (A_q^*)_q^* \subset A_q^*$ . Hence we have,  $A_q^* = (q\text{Int}(A_q^*))_q^*$ . □

**Proposition 2.15.** Any union of  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open sets is  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open.

*Proof.* Let  $\{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  be a family of  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open sets of an ideal bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ . Then  $U_\alpha \subset q\text{Int}((U_\alpha)_q^*)$ , for every  $\alpha \in \Delta$ . Thus,  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} U_\alpha \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} (q\text{Int}((U_\alpha)_q^*)) \subset q\text{Int}(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} (U_\alpha)_q^*) \subset q\text{Int}(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} (U_\alpha)_q^*)$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 2.16.** *If  $A$  is  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open and  $(1, 2)$ -semiclosed, then  $A = q\text{Int}(A_q^*)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open. Then  $A \subset q\text{Int}(A_q^*)$ . Since  $A$  is  $(1, 2)$ -semiclosed,  $q\text{Int}(A_q^*) \subset q\text{Int}(q\text{Cl}(A)) \subset A$ . Thus  $q\text{Int}(A_q^*) \subset A$ . Hence we have,  $A = q\text{Int}(A_q^*)$ .  $\square$

**Definition 2.17.** *Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal bitopological space,  $S$  a subset of  $X$  and  $x$  a point of  $X$ . Then*

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

**Theorem 2.18.** *Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ . Then the following properties hold:*

- (1)  $q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A) = \bigcup\{T : T \subset A \text{ and } A \in Q\mathcal{I}O(X)\}$ .
- (2)  $q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A)$  is the largest  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open subset of  $X$  contained in  $A$ .
- (3)  $A$  is  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open if and only if  $A = q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A)$ .
- (4)  $q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A)) = q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A)$ .
- (5) If  $A \subset B$ , then  $q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A) \subset q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(B)$ .
- (6)  $q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A) \cup q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(B) \subset q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A \cup B)$ .
- (7)  $q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A \cap B) \subset q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A) \cap q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(B)$ .

*Proof.* (1). Let  $x \in \bigcup\{T : T \subset A \text{ and } A \in Q\mathcal{I}O(X)\}$ . Then, there exists  $T \in Q\mathcal{I}O(X, x)$  such that  $x \in T \subset A$  and hence  $x \in q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A)$ . This shows that  $\bigcup\{T : T \subset A \text{ and } A \in Q\mathcal{I}O(X)\} \subset q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A)$ . For the reverse inclusion, let  $x \in q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A)$ . Then there exists  $T \in Q\mathcal{I}O(X, x)$  such that  $x \in T \subset A$ . We obtain  $x \in \bigcup\{T : T \subset A \text{ and } A \in Q\mathcal{I}O(X)\}$ . This shows that  $q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A) \subset \bigcup\{T : T \subset A \text{ and } A \in Q\mathcal{I}O(X)\}$ . Therefore, we obtain  $q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A) = \bigcup\{T : T \subset A \text{ and } A \in Q\mathcal{I}O(X)\}$ .

The proof of (2)-(5) are obvious.

(6). Clearly,  $q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A) \subset q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A \cup B)$  and  $q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(B) \subset q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A \cup B)$ . Then we obtain  $q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A) \cup q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(B) \subset q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A \cup B)$ .

(7). Since  $A \cap B \subset A$  and  $A \cap B \subset B$ , by (5), we have  $q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(A \cap B)$

$\subset q\mathcal{I} \text{Int}(A)$  and  $q\mathcal{I} \text{Int}(A \cap B) \subset q\mathcal{I} \text{Int}(B)$ . Then  $q\mathcal{I} \text{Int}(A \cap B) \subset q\mathcal{I} \text{Int}(A) \cap q\mathcal{I} \text{Int}(B)$ .  $\square$

**Definition 2.19.** 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

- (1)  $x$  is called a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -cluster point of  $S$  if  $V \cap S \neq \emptyset$  for every  $V \in Q\mathcal{I}O(X, x)$ .
- (2) the set of all  $q\mathcal{I}$ -cluster points of  $S$  is called the  $q\mathcal{I}$ -closure of  $S$  and is denoted by  $q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(S)$ .

**Theorem 2.20.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$ . Then the following properties hold:

- (1)  $q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(A) = \cap \{F : A \subset F \text{ and } F \in Q\mathcal{I}C(X)\}$ .
- (2)  $q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(A)$  is the smallest  $q\mathcal{I}$ -closed subset of  $X$  containing  $A$ .
- (3)  $A$  is  $q\mathcal{I}$ -closed if and only if  $A = q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(A)$ .
- (4)  $q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(A)) = q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(A)$ .
- (5) If  $A \subset B$ , then  $q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(A) \subset q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(B)$ .
- (6)  $q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(A \cup B) = q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(A) \cup q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(B)$ .
- (7)  $q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(A \cap B) \subset q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(A) \cap q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(B)$ .

*Proof.* (1). Suppose that  $x \notin q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(A)$ . Then there exists  $F \in Q\mathcal{I}O(X)$  such that  $F \cap A = \emptyset$ . Since  $X \setminus F$  is  $q\mathcal{I}$ -closed set containing  $A$  and  $x \notin X \setminus F$ , we obtain  $x \notin \cap \{F : A \subset F \text{ and } F \in Q\mathcal{I}C(X)\}$ . Then there exists  $F \in Q\mathcal{I}C(X)$  such that  $A \subset F$  and  $x \notin F$ . Since  $X \setminus V$  is  $q\mathcal{I}$ -closed set containing  $x$ , we obtain  $(X \setminus F) \cap A = \emptyset$ . This shows that  $x \notin q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(A)$ . Therefore, we obtain  $q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(A) = \cap \{F : A \subset F \text{ and } F \in Q\mathcal{I}C(X)\}$ .

Proofs of the rest of statements are obvious.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.21.** Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  be an ideal bitopological space and  $A \subset X$ . Then the following properties hold:

- (1)  $q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(X \setminus A) = X \setminus q\mathcal{I} \text{Int}(A)$ ;
- (2)  $q\mathcal{I} \text{Int}(X \setminus A) = X \setminus q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(A)$ .

*Proof.* (1). Since  $W \subset A$  if and only if  $X \setminus A \subset X \setminus W$ ,  $W$  is  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open if and only if  $q\mathcal{I}$ -closed. Thus,  $q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(A) = \cap \{X \setminus W : W \in Q\mathcal{I}O(X) \text{ and } W \subset A\} = X \setminus \cup \{W \in Q\mathcal{I}O(X) \text{ and } W \subset A\} = X \setminus q\mathcal{I} \text{Int}(A)$ .

(2). Follows from (1).  $\square$

**Definition 2.22.** A subset  $B_x$  of an ideal bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -neighbourhood of a point  $x \in X$  if there exists a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open set  $U$  such that  $x \in U \subset B_x$ .

**Theorem 2.23.** *A subset of an ideal bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  is  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open if and only if it is a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -neighbourhood of each of its points.*

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

### 3. $q\mathcal{I}$ -CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS

**Definition 3.1.** *A function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is called  $q\mathcal{I}$ -continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open in  $X$  for every quasi-open set  $V$  of  $Y$  or equivalently,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $q\mathcal{I}$ -closed in  $X$  for every quasi-closed set  $V$  of  $Y$ .*

**Definition 3.2.** *A function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is called  $(1, 2)$ - $\mathcal{I}$ -continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $(1, 2)$ -preopen in  $X$  for every quasi-open set  $V$  of  $Y$  or equivalently,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is  $(1, 2)$ -preclosed in  $X$  for every quasi-closed set  $V$  of  $Y$ .*

It is clear that every  $q\mathcal{I}$ -continuous function is  $(1, 2)$ -precontinuous. But the converse is not true in general.

**Example 3.3.** *Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I})$  be as in Example 2.12,  $\sigma_1 = \{\emptyset, \{d\}, X\}$  and  $\sigma_2 = \{\emptyset, \{a, d\}, X\}$ . Then the identity function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is  $(1, 2)$ -precontinuous but not  $q\mathcal{I}$ -continuous.*

**Theorem 3.4.** *For a function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ , the following statement are equivalent:*

- (1)  $f$  is  $q\mathcal{I}$ -continuous.
- (2) For each  $x \in X$  and every quasi-open set  $V$  containing  $f(x)$ , there exists  $W \in QIO(X, x)$  such that  $f(W) \subset V$ .
- (3) For each  $x \in X$  and each quasi-open set  $V$  containing  $f(x)$ ,  $f^{-1}(V)_q^*$  is a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -neighborhood of  $x$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let  $x \in X$  and  $V$  be a quasi-open set of  $Y$  containing  $f(x)$ . Since  $f$  is  $q\mathcal{I}$ -continuous,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open set. Putting  $W = f^{-1}(V)$ , we have  $f(W) \subset V$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let  $A$  be a quasi-open set in  $Y$ . If  $f^{-1}(A) = \emptyset$ , then  $f^{-1}(A)$  is clearly a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open set. Assume that  $f^{-1}(A) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $x \in f^{-1}(A)$ . Then

$f(x) \in A$ , which implies that there exists a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open  $W$  containing  $x$  such that  $f(W) \subset A$ . Thus  $W \subset f^{-1}(A)$ . Since  $W$  is a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open,  $x \in W \subset q\text{Int}(W_q^*) \subset q\text{Int}((f^{-1}(A)_q^*))$  and so  $f^{-1}(A) \subset q\text{Int}(f^{-1}(A)_q^*)$ . Hence  $f^{-1}(A)$  is a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open set and so  $f$  is  $q\mathcal{I}$ -continuous.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) Let  $x \in X$  and  $V$  be a quasi-open set of  $Y$  containing  $f(x)$ . Then there exist a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open set  $W$  containing  $x$  such that  $f(W) \subset V$ . It follows that  $W \subset f^{-1}(f(W)) \subset f^{-1}(V)$ . Since  $W$  is a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open set,  $x \in W \subset q\text{Int}(W^*) \subset q\text{Int}(f^{-1}(V)_q^*) \subset f^{-1}(V)^*$ . Hence  $f^{-1}(V)_q^*$  is a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -neighborhood of  $x$ .

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Obvious.  $\square$

**Remark 3.5.** Let  $\tau = \tau_1 = \tau_2$  and  $\sigma = \sigma_1 = \sigma_2$ . Then by Theorem 3.4 we obtain the results for a function  $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  established in Theorem 3.1 of [1].

**Definition 3.6.** A function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \mathcal{I})$  is said to be:

- (1)  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open if  $f(U)$  is a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open set of  $Y$  for every quasi-open set  $U$  of  $X$ .
- (2)  $q\mathcal{I}$ -closed if  $f(U)$  is a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -closed set of  $Y$  for every quasi-closed set  $U$  of  $X$ .

**Theorem 3.7.** For a function  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \mathcal{I})$ , the following statements are equivalent:

- (1)  $f$  is  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open;
- (2)  $f(q\text{Int}(U)) \subset q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(f(U))$  for each subset  $U$  of  $X$ ;
- (3)  $q\text{Int}(f^{-1}(V)) \subset f^{-1}(q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(V))$  for each subset  $V$  of  $Y$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): Let  $U$  be any subset of  $X$ . Then  $q\text{Int}(U)$  is a quasi-open set of  $X$ . Then  $f(q\text{Int}(U))$  is a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open set of  $Y$ . Since  $f(q\text{Int}(U)) \subset f(U)$ ,  $f(q\text{Int}(U)) = q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(f(q\text{Int}(U))) \subset q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(f(U))$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3): Let  $V$  be any subset of  $Y$ . Then  $f^{-1}(V)$  is a subset of  $X$ . Hence  $f(q\text{Int}(f^{-1}(V))) \subset q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(f(f^{-1}(V))) \subset q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(V)$ . Then  $q\text{Int}(f^{-1}(V)) \subset f^{-1}(f(q\text{Int}(f^{-1}(V)))) \subset f^{-1}(q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(V))$ .

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Let  $V$  be any quasi-open set of  $Y$ . Then  $q\text{Int}(V) = V$  and  $f(U)$  is a subset of  $Y$ . Now,  $V = q\text{Int}(V) \subset q\text{Int}(f^{-1}(f(V))) \subset f^{-1}(q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(f(V)))$ . Then  $f(V) \subset f(f^{-1}(q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(f(V)))) \subset q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(f(V))$  and  $q\mathcal{I}\text{Int}(f(V)) \subset f(V)$ . Hence  $f(V)$  is a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open set of  $Y$ ; hence  $f$  is  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.8.** *Let  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \mathcal{I})$  be a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open function. If  $V$  is a subset of  $Y$  and  $U$  is a quasi-closed subset of  $X$  containing  $f^{-1}(V)$ , then there exists a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -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 quasi-closed subset of  $X$  containing  $f^{-1}(V)$ , and let  $F = Y \setminus (f(X \setminus U))$ . Then  $f(X \setminus U) \subset f(f^{-1}(X \setminus U)) \subset X \setminus U$  and  $X \setminus U$  is a quasi-open set of  $X$ . Since  $f$  is  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open,  $f(X \setminus U)$  is a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open set of  $Y$ . Hence  $F$  is a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -closed set of  $Y$  and  $f^{-1}(F) = f^{-1}(Y \setminus (f(X \setminus U))) \subset U$ .  $\square$

**Remark 3.9.** *Let  $\tau = \tau_1 = \tau_2$  and  $\sigma = \sigma_1 = \sigma_2$ . Then by Theorem 3.8 we obtain the results for a function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$  established in Theorem 4.2 of [1].*

**Theorem 3.10.** *Let  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \mathcal{I})$  be a function. Then  $f$  is a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -closed function if and only if for each subset  $V$  of  $X$ ,  $q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(f(V)) \subset f(q \text{Cl}(V))$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $f$  be an  $q\mathcal{I}$ -closed function and  $V$  any subset of  $X$ . Then  $f(V) \subset f(q \text{Cl}(V))$  and  $f(q \text{Cl}(V))$  is a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -closed set of  $Y$ . We have  $q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(f(V)) \subset q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(f(q \text{Cl}(V))) = f(q \text{Cl}(V))$ . Conversely, let  $V$  be a quasi-closed set of  $X$ . Then  $f(V) \subset q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(f(V)) \subset f(q \text{Cl}(V)) = f(V)$ ; hence  $f(V)$  is a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -closed subset of  $Y$ . Therefore,  $f$  is a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -closed function.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.11.** *Let  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \mathcal{I})$  be a function. Then  $f$  is a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -closed function if and only if for each subset  $V$  of  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(V)) \subset q \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(V))$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $V$  be any subset of  $Y$ . Then by Theorem 3.10,  $q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(V) \subset f(q \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(V)))$ . Since  $f$  is bijection,  $f^{-1}(q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(V)) = f^{-1}(q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(f(f^{-1}(V)))) \subset f^{-1}(f(q \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(V)))) = q \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(V))$ .

Conversely, let  $U$  be any subset of  $X$ . Since  $f$  is bijection,  $q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(f(U)) = f(f^{-1}(q\mathcal{I} \text{Cl}(f(U)))) \subset f(q \text{Cl}(f^{-1}(f(U)))) = f(q \text{Cl}(U))$ . Therefore, by Theorem 3.10,  $f$  is an  $q\mathcal{I}$ -closed function.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.12.** *Let  $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \mathcal{I})$  be a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -closed function. If  $V$  is a subset of  $Y$  and  $U$  is a quasi-open subset of  $X$  containing  $f^{-1}(V)$ , then there exists a  $q\mathcal{I}$ -open set  $F$  of  $Y$  containing  $V$  such that  $f^{-1}(F) \subset U$ .*

*Proof.* The proof is similar to Theorem 3.8.  $\square$

**Remark 3.13.** *Let  $\tau = \tau_1 = \tau_2$  and  $\sigma = \sigma_1 = \sigma_2$ . Then by Theorem 3.12 we obtain the results for a function  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$  established in Theorem 4.2 of [1].*

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