

## BINARY $\alpha$ -LOCALLY CLOSED SETS IN BINARY TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we will define some new class of locally closed sets called binary  $\alpha$ -locally closed sets, binary  $\alpha$ - $lc^*$ , binary  $\alpha$ - $lc^{**}$ , binary  $\alpha$ -dense and binary  $\alpha$ -submaximal in binary topological spaces and study some of their characterizations and properties.

### 1. Introduction and preliminaries

In 1970 Levine [3] gives the concept and properties of generalized closed (briefly  $g$ -closed) sets and the complement of  $g$ -closed set is said to be  $g$ -open set. Njasted [11] introduced and studied the concept of  $\alpha$ -sets. Later these sets are called as  $\alpha$ -open sets in 1983. Mashhours et.al [6] introduced and studied the concept of  $\alpha$ -closed sets,  $\alpha$ -closure of set,  $\alpha$ -continuous functions,  $\alpha$ -open functions and  $\alpha$ -closed functions in topological spaces. Maki et.al [4, 5] introduced and studied generalized  $\alpha$ -closed sets and  $\alpha$ -generalized closed sets. In 2011, S.Nithyanantha Jothi and P.Thangavelu [8] introduced topology between two sets and also studied some of their properties. Topology between two sets is the binary structure from  $X$  to  $Y$  which is defined to be the ordered pairs  $(A, B)$  where  $A \subseteq X$  and  $B \subseteq Y$ . In this paper, we will define some new class of locally closed sets called binary  $\alpha$ -locally closed sets, binary  $\alpha$ - $lc^*$ , binary  $\alpha$ - $lc^{**}$ , binary  $\alpha$ -dense and binary  $\alpha$ -submaximal in binary topological spaces and study some of their characterizations and properties.

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be any two nonempty sets. A binary topology [8] from  $X$  to  $Y$  is a binary structure  $\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathbb{P}(X) \times \mathbb{P}(Y)$  that satisfies the axioms namely

- (1)  $(\phi, \phi)$  and  $(X, Y) \in \mathcal{M}$ ,

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- (2)  $(A_1 \cap A_2, B_1 \cap B_2) \in \mathcal{M}$  whenever  $(A_1, B_1) \in \mathcal{M}$  and  $(A_2, B_2) \in \mathcal{M}$ , and  
 (3) If  $\{(A_\alpha, B_\alpha) : \alpha \in \delta\}$  is a family of members of  $\mathcal{M}$ , then  
 $(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \delta} A_\alpha, \bigcup_{\alpha \in \delta} B_\alpha) \in \mathcal{M}$ .

If  $\mathcal{M}$  is a binary topology from  $X$  to  $Y$  then the triplet  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$  is called a binary topological space and the members of  $\mathcal{M}$  are called the binary open subsets of the binary topological space  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$ . The elements of  $X \times Y$  are called the binary points of the binary topological space  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$ . If  $Y = X$  then  $\mathcal{M}$  is called a binary topology on  $X$  in which case we write  $(X, \mathcal{M})$  as a binary topological space.

DEFINITION 1.1. [8] Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be any two nonempty sets and let  $(A, B)$  and  $(C, D) \in \mathbb{P}(X) \times \mathbb{P}(Y)$ . We say that  $(A, B) \subseteq (C, D)$  if  $A \subseteq C$  and  $B \subseteq D$ .

DEFINITION 1.2. [8] Let  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$  be a binary topological space and  $A \subseteq X$ ,  $B \subseteq Y$ . Then  $(A, B)$  is called binary closed in  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$  if  $(X \setminus A, Y \setminus B) \in \mathcal{M}$ .

PROPOSITION 1.1. [8] Let  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$  be a binary topological space and  $(A, B) \subseteq (X, Y)$ .

Let  $(A, B)^{1*} = \bigcap \{A_\alpha : (A_\alpha, B_\alpha) \text{ is binary closed and } (A, B) \subseteq (A_\alpha, B_\alpha)\}$  and  $(A, B)^{2*} = \bigcap \{B_\alpha : (A_\alpha, B_\alpha) \text{ is binary closed and } (A, B) \subseteq (A_\alpha, B_\alpha)\}$ . Then  $((A, B)^{1*}, (A, B)^{2*})$  is binary closed and  $(A, B) \subseteq ((A, B)^{1*}, (A, B)^{2*})$ .

PROPOSITION 1.2. [8] Let  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$  be a binary topological space and  $(A, B) \subseteq (X, Y)$ . Let  $(A, B)^{1*} = \bigcup \{A_\alpha : (A_\alpha, B_\alpha) \text{ is binary open and } (A_\alpha, B_\alpha) \subseteq (A, B)\}$  and  $(A, B)^{2*} = \bigcup \{B_\alpha : (A_\alpha, B_\alpha) \text{ is binary open and } (A_\alpha, B_\alpha) \subseteq (A, B)\}$ .

DEFINITION 1.3. [8] The ordered pair  $((A, B)^{1*}, (A, B)^{2*})$  is called the binary closure of  $(A, B)$ , denoted by  $b\text{-cl}(A, B)$  in the binary space  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$  where  $(A, B) \subseteq (X, Y)$ .

DEFINITION 1.4. [8] The ordered pair  $((A, B)^{1*}, (A, B)^{2*})$  defined in proposition 1.2 is called the binary interior of  $(A, B)$ , denoted by  $b\text{-int}(A, B)$ . Here  $((A, B)^{1*}, (A, B)^{2*})$  is binary open and  $((A, B)^{1*}, (A, B)^{2*}) \subseteq (A, B)$ .

DEFINITION 1.5. A subset  $(A, B)$  of a binary topological space  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$  is called

- (1) a binary semi open set [10] if  $(A, B) \subseteq b\text{-cl}(b\text{-int}(A, B))$ .  
 (2) a binary pre open set [2] if  $(A, B) \subseteq b\text{-int}(b\text{-cl}(A, B))$ ,

DEFINITION 1.6. [9] A subset  $(A, B)$  of a binary topological space  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$  is called a binary  $g$ -closed set if  $b\text{-cl}(A, B) \subseteq (U, V)$  whenever  $(A, B) \subseteq (U, V)$  and  $(U, V)$  is binary open.

DEFINITION 1.7. [1] A subset  $(A, B)$  of a binary topological space  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$  is called a binary  $\alpha$ -open if  $(A, B) \subseteq b\text{-int}(b\text{-cl}(b\text{-int}(A, B)))$ .

- LEMMA 1.1. (1) [8] Let  $((K, L), \mathcal{M} | (K, L))$  be a subspace of  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$ . If  $(K, L)$  is binary open in  $(X, Y)$ , then  $\mathcal{M}^\alpha | (K, L) = (\mathcal{M} | (K, L))^\alpha$ .  
 (2) [1] Let  $(A, B) \subseteq (C, D) \subseteq (X, Y)$  and  $(C, D)$  be binary  $\alpha$ -closed in  $(X, Y)$ . Then  $(A, B)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -closed in  $(C, D)$  implies  $(A, B)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -closed in  $(X, Y)$ .

- (3) [1] If  $(A, B) \subseteq (C, D) \subseteq (X, Y)$  and  $(C, D)$  is binary closed in  $(X, Y)$ , then  $(A, B)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open in  $(X, Y)$  implies  $(A, B)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open in  $(C, D)$ .

DEFINITION 1.8. [7] A subset  $(A, B)$  of a binary topological space  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$  is called

- (1) binary locally closed if  $(A, B) = (E, F) \cap (G, H)$  where  $(E, F)$  is binary open and  $(G, H)$  is binary closed in  $(X, Y)$ .
- (2) binary generalized locally closed (briefly *bglc*) if  $(A, B) = (E, F) \cap (G, H)$  where  $(E, F)$  is binary  $g$ -open and  $(G, H)$  is binary  $g$ -closed in  $(X, Y)$ .

## 2. Binary $\alpha$ -locally closed sets

DEFINITION 2.1. A subset  $(A, B)$  of  $(X, Y)$  is called binary  $\alpha$ -locally closed (briefly *b $\alpha$ -lc*) if  $(A, B) = (E, F) \cap (G, H)$  where  $(E, F)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open in  $(X, Y)$  and  $(G, H)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -closed in  $(X, Y)$ .

The set of all binary  $\alpha$ -locally closed sets of  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$  is denoted by  $B\alpha-LC(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$  (or  $B\alpha-LC(X, Y)$  if there is no chance of confusion). This set coincides with the set of all binary locally closed sets in  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M}^\alpha)$ . Every binary  $\alpha$ -open set (resp. binary  $\alpha$ -closed set) is *b $\alpha$ -lc*.

REMARK 2.1. Every binary locally closed set is binary  $\alpha$ -locally closed but not conversely.

EXAMPLE 2.1. Let  $X = \{a, b\}$ ,  $Y = \{1, 2\}$  and  $\mathcal{M} = \{(\phi, \phi), (\phi, \{1\}), (\{a\}, \{1\}), (\{b\}, \{1\}), (X, \{1\}), (X, Y)\}$ . Then  $BLC(X, Y) = \{(\phi, \phi), (\phi, \{1\}), (\phi, \{2\}), (\phi, Y), (\{a\}, \phi), (\{a\}, \{1\}), (\{a\}, \{2\}), (\{b\}, \phi), (\{b\}, \{1\}), (\{b\}, \{2\}), (\{b\}, Y), (X, \{1\}), (X, \{2\}), (X, Y)\}$  and  $B\alpha LC(X, Y) = \mathbb{P}(X)$ . Then the subset  $(\{a\}, Y)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -locally closed but not binary locally closed in  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$ .

PROPOSITION 2.1. Let  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$  be a binary  $\alpha$ -space. Then

- (1)  $B\alpha-LC(X, Y) = BLC(X, Y)$
- (2)  $B\alpha-LC(X, Y) \subseteq BGLC(X, Y)$
- (3)  $B\alpha-LC(X, Y) \subseteq BGLSC(X, Y)$ .

PROOF. (1) Since every binary  $\alpha$ -open set is binary open and every binary  $\alpha$ -closed set is binary closed in  $(X, Y)$ ,  $B\alpha-LC(X, Y) \subseteq BLC(X, Y)$  and hence  $B\alpha-LC(X, Y) = BLC(X, Y)$ .

(2) and (3) Since  $BLC(X, Y) \subseteq BGLC(X, Y)$  and  $BLC(X, Y) \subseteq BGLSC(X, Y)$  for any space  $(X, Y)$ , the proof follows from (1). □

COROLLARY 2.1. If  $B\mathcal{S}O(X, Y) = \mathcal{M}$ , then  $B\alpha-LC(X, Y) \subseteq BGLSC(X, Y) \subseteq BGLC(X, Y)$ .

PROOF.  $B\mathcal{S}O(X, Y) = \mathcal{M}$  implies  $(X, Y)$  is an binary  $\alpha$ -space. Hence by Proposition 2.1(3)  $B\alpha-LC(X, Y) \subseteq BGLSC(X, Y)$ . Let  $(A, B) \subseteq BGLSC(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$ . Then  $(A, B) = (E, F) \cap (G, H)$  where  $(E, F)$  is binary  $g$ -open and  $(G, H)$  is binary semi-closed. Since  $B\mathcal{S}O(X, Y) = \mathcal{M}$ ,  $(G, H)$  is binary closed and hence binary  $g$ -closed. Thus  $(A, B) \in BGLC(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$ . □

PROPOSITION 2.2. *If  $BGO(X, Y) = \mathcal{M}^\alpha$ , then*

- (1)  $B\alpha-LC(X, Y) = BGLC(X, Y)$
- (2)  $BGLSC(X, Y) = B\alpha-LC(X, Y)$ .

PROOF. proof (1) It follows from definitions and hypothesis.

(2) Let  $(A, B) \in BGLSC(X, Y)$ . Then  $(A, B) = (E, F) \cap (G, H)$  where  $(E, F)$  is binary  $g$ -open and  $(G, H)$  is binary semi-closed. By hypothesis,  $(E, F)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open and hence binary semi-open. Therefore  $(A, B) \in BSLC(X, Y) = B\alpha-LC(X, Y)$ .  $\square$

DEFINITION 2.2. *A subset  $(A, B)$  of  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$  is called*

- (1) *binary  $\alpha$ -lc $^*$  if  $(A, B) = (E, F) \cap (G, H)$  where  $(E, F)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open in  $(X, Y)$  and  $(G, H)$  is binary closed in  $(X, Y)$ .*
- (2) *binary  $\alpha$ -lc $^{**}$  if  $(A, B) = (E, F) \cap (G, H)$  where  $(E, F)$  is binary open in  $(X, Y)$  and  $(G, H)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -closed in  $(X, Y)$ .*

*The class of all binary  $\alpha$ -lc $^*$  (resp. binary  $\alpha$ -lc $^{**}$ ) sets is denoted by  $B\alpha-LC^*(X, Y)$  (resp.  $B\alpha-LC^{**}(X, Y)$ ). Every binary  $\alpha$ -lc $^*$  set is binary  $\alpha$ -lc. Also every binary  $\alpha$ -lc $^{**}$  set is binary  $\alpha$ -lc.*

PROPOSITION 2.3. *If  $BSO(X, Y) = \mathcal{M}$ , then  $B\alpha-LC(X, Y) = B\alpha-LC^*(X, Y) = B\alpha-LC^{**}(X, Y)$ .*

PROOF. Since  $\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{M}^\alpha \subseteq BSO(X, Y)$  for any space  $(X, Y)$ , by hypothesis  $\mathcal{M}^\alpha = \mathcal{M}$ . That is,  $(X, Y)$  is a binary  $\alpha$ -space and hence  $B\alpha-LC(X, Y) = B\alpha-LC^*(X, Y) = B\alpha-LC^{**}(X, Y)$ .  $\square$

The hypothesis in Proposition 2.3 can still be weakened as follows.

PROPOSITION 2.4. *If  $BSO(X, Y) \subseteq BLC(X, Y)$ , then  $B\alpha-LC(X, Y) = B\alpha-LC^*(X, Y) = B\alpha-LC^{**}(X, Y)$ .*

PROOF. Let  $(A, B) \in B\alpha-LC(X, Y)$ . Then  $(A, B) = (E, F) \cap (G, H)$  where  $(E, F)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open and  $(G, H)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -closed. Since  $\mathcal{M}^\alpha \subseteq BSO(X, Y)$ ,  $(G, H)$  is binary semi-closed.  $BSO(X, Y) \subseteq BLC(X, Y)$  implies  $BSC(X, Y) \subseteq BLC(X, Y)$ ,

Therefore  $(G, H)$  is binary locally closed. Let  $(G, H) = (P, Q) \cap (U, V)$  where  $(P, Q)$  is binary open and  $(U, V)$  is binary closed. Hence  $(A, B) = ((E, F) \cap (P, Q)) \cap (U, V)$  where  $(E, F) \cap (P, Q)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open and  $(U, V)$  is binary closed. Hence  $(A, B) \in B\alpha-LC^*(X, Y)$ . For any space  $(X, Y)$ ,  $B\alpha-LC^*(X, Y) \subseteq B\alpha-LC(X, Y)$ . Thus  $B\alpha-LC(X, Y) = B\alpha-LC^*(X, Y)$ .

Let  $(C, D) \in B\alpha-LC(X, Y)$ , then  $(C, D) = (E, F) \cap (G, H)$  where  $(E, F)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open and  $(G, H)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -closed.  $BSO(X, Y) \subseteq BLC(X, Y)$  implies  $\mathcal{M}^\alpha \subseteq BLC(X, Y)$  and so  $(E, F)$  is binary locally closed. Let  $(E, F) = (P, Q) \cap (U, V)$  where  $(P, Q)$  is binary open and  $(U, V)$  is binary closed. Hence  $(C, D) = (P, Q) \cap ((U, V) \cap (G, H))$  where  $(U, V) \cap (G, H)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -closed. Then  $(C, D) \in B\alpha-LC^{**}(X, Y)$ . That is,  $B\alpha-LC(X, Y) \subseteq B\alpha-LC^{**}(X, Y)$ . For any space  $(X, Y)$ ,  $B\alpha-LC^{**}(X, Y) \subseteq B\alpha-LC(X, Y)$ . Thus  $B\alpha-LC(X, Y) = B\alpha-LC^{**}(X, Y)$ .  $\square$

PROPOSITION 2.5. *If  $(A, B) \subseteq (X, Y)$  is binary pre open and binary  $\alpha$ -locally closed, then it is binary semi-open.*

PROOF. As  $(A, B) \in B\alpha-LC(X, Y)$ ,  $(A, B)$  is a binary  $\delta$ -set. That is,  $b-int(b-cl(A, B)) \subseteq b-cl(b-int(A, B))$ . As  $(A, B)$  is binary pre open  $(A, B) \subseteq b-int(b-cl(A, B))$ . That is,  $(A, B) \subseteq b-cl(b-int(A, B))$ . Hence  $(A, B)$  is binary semi-open.  $\square$

THEOREM 2.1. *Let  $(A, B)$  and  $(C, D)$  be subsets of  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$ .*

- (1) *If  $(A, B), (C, D) \in B\alpha-LC(X, Y)$ , then  $(A, B) \cap (C, D) \in B\alpha-LC(X, Y)$ .*
- (2) *If  $(A, B), (C, D) \in B\alpha-LC^*(X, Y)$ , then  $(A, B) \cap (C, D) \in B\alpha-LC^*(X, Y)$ .*
- (3) *If  $(A, B), (C, D) \in B\alpha-LC^{**}(X, Y)$ , then  $(A, B) \cap (C, D) \in B\alpha-LC^{**}(X, Y)$ .*
- (4) *If  $(A, B) \in B\alpha-LC(X, Y)$  and  $(C, D)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open (resp. binary  $\alpha$ -closed), then  $(A, B) \cap (C, D) \in B\alpha-LC(X, Y)$ .*
- (5) *If  $(A, B) \in B\alpha-LC^*(X, Y)$  and  $(C, D)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open (resp. closed), then  $(A, B) \cap (C, D) \in B\alpha-LC^*(X, Y)$ .*
- (6) *If  $(A, B) \in B\alpha-LC^{**}(X, Y)$  and  $(C, D)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -closed (resp. open), then  $(A, B) \cap (C, D) \in B\alpha-LC^{**}(X, Y)$ .*
- (7) *If  $(A, B) \in B\alpha-LC^*(X, Y)$  and  $(C, D)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -closed, then  $(A, B) \cap (C, D) \in B\alpha-LC(X, Y)$ .*
- (8) *If  $(A, B) \in B\alpha-LC^{**}(X, Y)$  and  $(C, D)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open, then  $(A, B) \cap (C, D) \in B\alpha-LC(X, Y)$ .*
- (9) *If  $(A, B) \in B\alpha-LC^{**}(X, Y)$  and  $(C, D) \in BGLC^*(X, Y)$ , then  $(A, B) \cap (C, D) \in BGLSC(X, Y)$ .*

PROOF. Since  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M}^\alpha)$  is a binary topology, (1) to (8) hold. (9) Let  $(A, B) = (E, F) \cap (G, H)$  where  $(E, F)$  is binary open and  $(G, H)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -closed and let  $(C, D) = (P, Q) \cap (U, V)$  where  $(P, Q)$  is binary  $g$ -open and  $(U, V)$  is binary closed. Now,  $(A, B) \cap (C, D) = ((E, F) \cap (P, Q)) \cap ((G, H) \cap (U, V))$  where  $(E, F) \cap (P, Q)$  is binary  $g$ -open and  $(G, H) \cap (U, V)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -closed and so binary semi-closed. Hence  $(A, B) \cap (C, D) \in BGLSC(X, Y)$ .  $\square$

- THEOREM 2.2. (1)  *$(A, B) \in B\alpha-LC(X, Y)$  if and only if there exists a binary  $\alpha$ -open set  $(E, F)$  such that  $(A, B) = (E, F) \cap b-\alpha cl(A, B)$ .*
- (2)  *$(A, B) \in B\alpha-LC^*(X, Y)$  if and only if there exists a binary  $\alpha$ -open set  $(E, F)$  such that  $(A, B) = (E, F) \cap b-cl(A, B)$ .*
- (3)  *$(A, B) \in B\alpha-LC^{**}(X, Y)$  if and only if there exists a binary open set  $(E, F)$  such that  $(A, B) = (E, F) \cap b-\alpha cl(A, B)$ .*

PROOF. (1) (Necessity) Let  $(A, B) \in B\alpha-LC(X, Y)$ . Then  $(A, B) = (E, F) \cap (G, H)$  where  $(E, F)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open and  $(G, H)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -closed. As  $(A, B) \subseteq (G, H)$ ,  $b-\alpha cl(A, B) \subseteq (G, H)$  and so  $(E, F) \cap b-\alpha cl(A, B) \subseteq (A, B)$ .  $(A, B) \subseteq (E, F)$  and  $(A, B) \subseteq b-\alpha cl(A, B)$  implies  $(A, B) \subseteq (E, F) \cap b-\alpha cl(A, B)$ . Therefore  $(A, B) = (E, F) \cap b-\alpha cl(A, B)$ .

(Sufficiency) Let  $(A, B) = (E, F) \cap b-\alpha cl(A, B)$  where  $(E, F)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open. By definition,  $(A, B) \in B\alpha-LC(X, Y)$ . Proofs of (2) and (3) are similar to (1).  $\square$

PROPOSITION 2.6. For a subset  $(A, B)$  of  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$ , the following are equivalent.

- (1)  $(A, B)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -locally closed
- (2)  $(A, B) = (U, V) \cap b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B)$  for some binary  $\alpha$ -open set  $(U, V)$ .
- (3)  $b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B) - (A, B)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -closed.
- (4)  $(A, B) \cup ((X, Y) - b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B))$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open.
- (5)  $(A, B) \subseteq b\text{-}\alpha\text{int}((A, B) \cup ((X, Y) - b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B)))$ .

PROOF. (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) It follows from Theorem 2.2 (1).

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3)  $(A, B) = (U, V) \cap b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B)$  implies  $b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B) - (A, B) = b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B) \cap ((X, Y) - (U, V))$  which is binary  $\alpha$ -closed since  $(X, Y) - (U, V)$  is so.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4)  $(A, B) \cup ((X, Y) - b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B)) = (X, Y) - (b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B) - (A, B))$ . By (3)  $(A, B) \cup ((X, Y) - b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B))$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open.

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (5)  $(A, B) \cup ((X, Y) - b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B))$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open implies  $(A, B) \cup ((X, Y) - b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B)) = b\text{-}\alpha\text{int}((A, B) \cup ((X, Y) - b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B)))$ . Thus (5) holds.

(5)  $\Rightarrow$  (1)  $(A, B) = b\text{-}\alpha\text{int}((A, B) \cup ((X, Y) - b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B))) \cap b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B)$ , so  $(A, B) \in B\alpha\text{-LC}(X, Y)$ .  $\square$

DEFINITION 2.3. A subset  $(A, B)$  of  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$  is called binary  $\alpha$ -dense if  $b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B) = (X, B)$ .

DEFINITION 2.4. A space  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$  is called binary  $\alpha$ -submaximal if every binary  $\alpha$ -dense subset of  $(X, Y)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open in  $(X, Y)$ .

EXAMPLE 2.2. Let  $X = \{a, b\}$ ,  $Y = \{1, 2\}$  and  $\mathcal{M} = \{(\phi, \phi), (\phi, \{1\}), (\{a\}, \{1\}), (X, Y)\}$ . Here binary  $\alpha$ -dense subsets are  $(\phi, \{1\})$ ,  $(\phi, Y)$ ,  $(\{a\}, \{1\})$ ,  $(\{a\}, Y)$ ,  $(\{b\}, \{1\})$ ,  $(\{b\}, Y)$ ,  $(X, \{1\})$  and  $(X, Y)$ . Then  $B\alpha O(X, Y) = \{(\phi, \phi), (\phi, \{1\}), (\phi, Y), (\{a\}, \{1\}), (\{a\}, Y), (\{b\}, \{1\}), (\{b\}, Y), (X, \{1\}), (X, Y)\}$ . Every binary  $\alpha$ -dense subset is binary  $\alpha$ -open and so  $(X, Y)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -submaximal.

THEOREM 2.3. A space  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$  is binary  $\alpha$ -submaximal if and only if every subset of  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$  is binary  $\alpha$ -locally closed.

PROOF. (Necessity) Let  $(A, B) \in \mathbb{P}(X, Y)$  and  $(U, V) = (A, B) \cup ((X, Y) - b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B))$ . Then  $b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(U, V) = (X, Y)$ . That is,  $(U, V)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -dense in  $(X, Y)$ . By hypothesis  $(U, V)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open. By Proposition 2.6,  $(A, B)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -lc. Hence  $\mathbb{P}(X, Y) \subseteq B\alpha\text{-LC}(X, Y)$  and this implies  $\mathbb{P}(X, Y) = B\alpha\text{-LC}(X, Y)$ .

(Sufficiency) Let  $(A, B)$  be binary  $\alpha$ -dense in  $(X, Y)$ . Then  $(A, B) \cup ((X, Y) - b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B)) = (A, B)$ . By hypothesis  $(A, B)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -lc. Then  $(A, B) \cup ((X, Y) - b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B))$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open by Proposition 2.6. That is,  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$  is binary  $\alpha$ -submaximal.  $\square$

PROPOSITION 2.7. If  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$  is binary submaximal, then it is binary  $\alpha$ -submaximal.

PROOF. Let  $(A, B)$  be binary  $\alpha$ -dense in  $(X, Y)$ . Then  $(A, B)$  is binary dense and so binary open as  $(X, Y)$  is binary submaximal. Since every binary open set is

binary  $\alpha$ -open,  $(A, B)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open and hence  $(X, Y)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -submaximal.  $\square$

LEMMA 2.1. *Let  $(U, V)$  be binary open in  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$  and  $(E, F) \subseteq (U, V)$ . If  $(E, F)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open in  $((U, V), \mathcal{M}|(U, V))$ , then  $(E, F)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open in  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$*

PROOF. Since  $(E, F)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open in  $((U, V), \mathcal{M}|(U, V))$ ,  $(E, F) \in (\mathcal{M}|(U, V))^\alpha$ . But  $(\mathcal{M}|(U, V))^\alpha = \mathcal{M}^\alpha|U, V$  as  $(U, V)$  is binary open in  $(X, Y)$  by 1.1. Hence  $(E, F) \in \mathcal{M}^\alpha|U, V$  and so  $(E, F) = (C, D) \cap (U, V)$  where  $(C, D)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open in  $(X, Y)$ . Now openness of  $(U, V)$  implies  $(E, F) \in \mathcal{M}^\alpha$ .  $\square$

PROPOSITION 2.8. *Let  $(A, B)$  and  $(U, V)$  be subsets of  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$  such that  $(A, B) \subseteq (U, V)$  and  $(U, V)$  is binary open and binary  $\alpha$ -closed in  $(X, Y)$ . Then*

- (1) *If  $(A, B) \in B\alpha\text{-}LC((U, V), \mathcal{M}|(U, V))$ , then  $(A, B) \in B\alpha\text{-}LC(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$ .*
- (2) *If  $(A, B) \in B\alpha\text{-}LC^*((U, V), \mathcal{M}|(U, V))$ , then  $(A, B) \in B\alpha\text{-}LC^*(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$ .*
- (3) *If  $(A, B) \in B\alpha\text{-}LC^{**}((U, V), \mathcal{M}|(U, V))$ , then  $(A, B) \in B\alpha\text{-}LC^{**}(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$ .*

PROOF. , (1) Let  $(A, B) \in B\alpha\text{-}LC((U, V), \mathcal{M}|(U, V))$ . Then  $(A, B) = (E, F) \cap (G, H)$  where  $(E, F)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open and  $(G, H)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -closed in  $((U, V), \mathcal{M}|(U, V))$ . Then by Lemma 1.1(2) and Lemma 2.1,  $(E, F)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open and  $(G, H)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -closed in  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$ . So  $(A, B) \in B\alpha\text{-}LC(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$ .

(2) If  $(A, B) \in B\alpha\text{-}LC^*((U, V), \mathcal{M}|(U, V))$ , then  $(A, B) = (E, F) \cap b\text{-}cl_{(U, V)}(A, B)$  where  $(E, F)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open in  $((U, V), \mathcal{M}|(U, V))$  by Theorem 2.2. But  $b\text{-}cl_{(U, V)}(A, B) = b\text{-}cl(A, B) \cap (U, V)$ , So  $(A, B) = ((E, F) \cap (U, V)) \cap b\text{-}cl(A, B)$ . By Lemma 2.1 and the fact that  $\mathcal{M}^\alpha$  is a binary topology,  $(E, F) \cap (U, V)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open in  $(X, Y)$ . Hence  $(A, B) \in B\alpha\text{-}LC^*(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$ .

(3) If  $(A, B) \in B\alpha\text{-}LC^{**}((U, V), \mathcal{M}|(U, V))$ . Then  $(A, B) = (E, F) \cap (G, H)$  where  $(E, F)$  is binary open and  $(G, H)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -closed in  $((U, V), \mathcal{M}|(U, V))$ . Then by Lemma 1.1(2),  $(E, F)$  is binary open and  $(G, H)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -closed in  $(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$ . So  $(A, B) \in B\alpha\text{-}LC^{**}(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$ .  $\square$

DEFINITION 2.5. *Let  $(A, B), (C, D) \subseteq (X, Y)$ . Then  $(A, B)$  and  $(C, D)$  are said to be binary  $\alpha$ -separated if  $(A, B) \cap b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(C, D) = (\phi, \phi)$  and  $(C, D) \cap b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B) = (\phi, \phi)$ .*

PROPOSITION 2.9. *Let  $(A, B), (C, D) \in B\alpha\text{-}LC(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$ . If  $(A, B)$  and  $(C, D)$  are binary  $\alpha$ -separated then  $(A, B) \cup (C, D) \in B\alpha\text{-}LC(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$ .*

PROOF. As  $(A, B), (C, D) \in B\alpha\text{-}LC(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$ , by Theorem 2.2, there exists binary  $\alpha$ -open sets  $(E, F)$  and  $(G, H)$  of  $(X, Y)$  such that  $(A, B) = (E, F) \cap b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B)$  and  $(C, D) = (G, H) \cap b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(C, D)$ . Put  $(U, V) = (E, F) \cap ((X, Y) - b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(C, D))$  and  $(P, Q) = (J, K) \cap ((X, Y) - b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B))$ . Then  $(A, B) = (U, V) \cap b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B)$  and  $(C, D) = (P, Q) \cap b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(C, D)$  hold and  $(U, V) \cap b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(C, D) = (\phi, \phi)$  and  $(P, Q) \cap b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}(A, B) = (\phi, \phi)$ . Since  $\mathcal{M}^\alpha$  is a binary topology,  $(U, V)$  and  $(P, Q)$  are binary  $\alpha$ -open sets of  $(X, Y)$ . Also  $(U, V) \cup (P, Q)$  is binary  $\alpha$ -open. Now  $((U, V) \cup (P, Q)) \cap b\text{-}\alpha\text{cl}((A, B) \cup (C, D)) = (A, B) \cup (C, D)$ . Hence  $(A, B) \cup (C, D) \in B\alpha\text{-}LC(X, Y, \mathcal{M})$ .  $\square$

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