

## **m\*-Operfect Sets and $\alpha$ -m\*-Closed Sets**

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we introduce the notions of m\*-operfect sets, m\*-clopen sets,  $\alpha$ -m\*-closed sets, strongly  $\alpha$ -m\*-closed sets, pre-m\*-closed sets, m-clopen sets,  $\alpha^*$ -m-I-sets and obtain a diagram to show their relationships between these sets and related sets. Also we investigate some properties and characterizations of these sets. Suitable examples are given to establish the results.

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### **1. Introduction and preliminaries**

The study of ideal topological spaces was initiated by Kuratowski [5] and Vaidyanathaswamy [14]. Several authors studied and developed the properties of topological spaces and ideal minimal spaces [2,3,6,8,11,12,13,15,16]. Jankovic and Hamlett [4] developed the study in local and systematic manner and offered some new results in the field of ideal topological spaces and established some applications. Bhattacharya [1] introduced regular closed sets. In [7] Maki introduced the notions of minimal structures and minimal spaces. Popa and Noiri introduced a new idea of M-continuous function as a function defined between sets, satisfying some minimal conditions. The concept of ideal minimal spaces was introduced by Ozbakir and Yildirim [9] by combining a minimal space and ideals. In this paper, we define m\*-operfect and  $\alpha$ -m\*-closed sets and investigate some of the properties of the above sets. The relationships among these sets are discussed.

**Example 1.1.** [9] Let  $(X, m_x)$  be a minimal space with an ideal  $I$  on  $X$ .

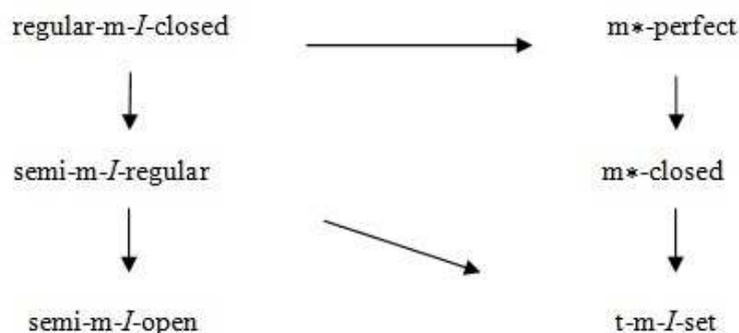
- (i) If  $I = \{\phi\}$ , then  $A_m^*(\phi) = m\text{-Cl}(A)$ ,
- (ii) If  $I = \wp(X)$ , then  $A_m^*(\wp(X)) = \phi$ .

**Lemma 1.1.** [9] Let  $(X, m_x, I)$  be an ideal minimal space and  $A \subseteq X$ . If  $A$  is  $m^*$ -dense in itself, then  $A_m^* = \mathbf{m-Cl}(A_m^*) = \mathbf{m-Cl}(A) = \mathbf{m-Cl}^*(A)$ .

**2. Some new subsets**

**Definition 2.1.** [10] A subset  $A$  of an ideal minimal space  $(X, m_x, I)$  is said to be

- (i) regular- $m$ - $I$ -closed if  $A = (m\text{-Int}(A))^*_m$ ,
- (ii)  $t$ - $m$ - $I$ -set if  $m\text{-Int}(A) = m\text{-Int}(m\text{-Cl}^*(A))$ ,
- (iii) semi- $m$ - $I$ -regular if  $A$  is both semi- $m$ - $I$ -open and a  $t$ - $m$ - $I$ -set.



**Figure 2.1:**

**Remark 2.1.** None of the implications in Diagram 2.1 is reversible as seen in the following Examples.

**Example 2.1.** Let  $(X, m_x, I)$  be an ideal minimal space such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 X &= \{a, b, c, d\}, \\
 m_x &= \{\emptyset, X, \{c\}, \{b, c, d\}\} \\
 \text{and } I &= \{\emptyset\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Then  $A = \{a, b, d\}$  is an  $m^*$ -perfect set but not a regular- $m$ - $I$ -closed set.

**Example 2.2.** Let  $(X, m_x, I)$  be an ideal minimal space such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 X &= \{a, b, c, d\}, \\
 m_x &= \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}\} \\
 \text{and } I &= \{\emptyset, \{b\}\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Then  $A = \{a, b\}$  is an  $m^*$ -closed set but not an  $m^*$ -perfect set.

**Example 2.3.** Let  $(X, m_x, I)$  be an ideal minimal space such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 X &= \{a, b, c, d\}, \\
 m_x &= \{\emptyset, X, \{b\}, \{d\}\} \\
 \text{and } I &= \{\emptyset\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Then  $A = \{a, d\}$  is a  $t$ - $m$ - $I$ -set but not an  $m^*$ -closed set.

**Example 2.4.** Let  $(X, m_x, I)$  be an ideal minimal space such that

$$X = \{a, b, c, d\},$$

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$$m_x = \{\phi, X, \{a, b\}\}$$

$$\text{and } I = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}.$$

Then  $A = \{a, c\}$  is a t-m-I-set but not a semi-m-I-regular set.

**Example 2.5.** Let  $(X, m_x, I)$  be an ideal minimal space such that

$$X = \{a, b, c, d\},$$

$$m_x = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, c, d\}\}$$

$$\text{and } I = \{\phi, \{a\}\}.$$

Then  $A = \{a, d\}$  is a semi-m-I-open set but not a semi-m-I-regular set.

**Example 2.6.** Let  $(X, m_x, I)$  be an ideal minimal space such that

$$X = \{a, b, c, d\},$$

$$m_x = \{\phi, X, \{b\}, \{d\}\}$$

$$\text{and } I = \{\phi\}.$$

Then  $A = \{a, d\}$  is a semi-m-I-regular set but not a regular-m-I-closed set.

### 3. m\*-operfect sets and $\alpha$ -m\*-closed sets

**Definition 3.1.** A subset  $A$  of an ideal minimal space  $(X, m_x, I)$  is said to be

- (i) m\*-operfect if  $A$  is m-open and m\*-perfect,
- (ii) m\*-clopen if  $A$  is m-open and m\*-closed,
- (iii)  $\alpha$ -m\*-closed if  $m\text{-Cl}^*(m\text{-Int}(m\text{-Cl}^*(A))) \subseteq A$ ,
- (iv) strongly  $\alpha$ -m\*-closed if  $m\text{-Cl}(m\text{-Int}(m\text{-Cl}^*(A))) \subseteq A$ ,
- (v) pre-m\*-closed if  $(m - \text{Int}(A))_m^* \subseteq A$ ,
- (vi)  $\alpha^*$ -m-I-set if  $m\text{-Int}(A) = m\text{-Int}(m\text{-Cl}^*(m\text{-Int}(A)))$  and
- (vii) m-clopen if  $A$  is m-open and m-closed.

**Remark 3.1.** To avoid confusion we will denote the family of all  $\alpha$ -m\*-closed sets by  $\alpha m^*C(X)$ , strongly  $\alpha$ -m\*-closed sets by  $s\alpha m^*C(X)$  and pre-m\*-closed sets by  $pm^*C(X)$ .

**Proposition 3.1.** For a subset  $A$  of an ideal minimal space  $(X, m_x, I)$ , the following properties hold.

- (i) Every m\*-operfect set is a regular-m-I-closed set.
- (ii) Every m\*-clopen set is an m-open set.
- (iii) Every m\*-clopen set is an m\*-closed set.

**Proof:**

- (i) Let  $A$  be a m\*-perfect set.

Since  $A$  is both m-open and m\*-perfect, we have

$$(m - \text{Int}(A))_m^* = A_m^* = A.$$

This shows that  $A$  is regular-m-I-closed.

- (ii) and (iii) are obvious from the Definition 3.1 that  $A$  is m-open and m\*-closed.

**Remark 3.2.** The converses of Proposition 3.1 need not be true as seen in the following examples.

**Example 3.1.** Let  $(X, m_x, I)$  be an ideal minimal space such that

$$\begin{aligned} X &= \{a, b, c, d\}, \\ m_x &= \{\phi, X, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c, d\}\} \\ \text{and } I &= \{\phi\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $A = \{a, b, d\}$  is a regular- $m$ - $I$ -closed set which is not  $m$ -open. Therefore,  $A$  is neither an  $m^*$ -clopen set nor an  $m^*$ -operfect set.

**Example 3.2.** Let  $(X, m_x, I)$  be an ideal minimal space such that

$$\begin{aligned} X &= \{a, b, c, d\}, \\ m_x &= \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\} \\ \text{and } I &= \{\phi\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $A = \{a, b\}$  is an  $m$ -open set, but not an  $m^*$ -closed set and hence not an  $m^*$ -clopen set. Moreover,  $A$  is not a pre- $m^*$ -closed set.

**Example 3.3.** Let  $(X, m_x, I)$  be an ideal minimal space such that

$$\begin{aligned} X &= \{a, b, c, d\}, \\ m_x &= \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}\} \\ \text{and } I &= \{\phi, \{b\}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $A = \{a, b\}$  is an  $m^*$ -closed set, but not an  $m$ -open set and hence not an  $m^*$ -clopen set. Moreover,  $A$  is not an  $m^*$ -perfect set.

**Proposition 3.2.** A subset  $A$  of an ideal minimal space  $(X, m_x, I)$  which satisfies property B, then every  $m^*$ -operfect set is an  $m$ -clopen set.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be an  $m^*$ -operfect set.

Then  $A$  is  $m$ -open and  $m^*$ -perfect.

By Lemma 1.1, we have  $m\text{-Cl}(A) = m\text{-Cl}(A_m^*) = A_m^* = A$ .

Hence  $A$  is  $m$ -open and  $m$ -closed. Therefore  $A$  is  $m$ -clopen.

**Remark 3.3.** The converse of Proposition 3.2 need not be true as seen in the following example.

**Example 3.4.** Let  $(X, m_x, I)$  be an ideal minimal space such that

$$\begin{aligned} X &= \{a, b, c, d\}, \\ m_x &= \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{d\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, \{a, b, c\}\} \\ \text{and } I &= \{\phi, \{a\}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $A = \{a, b, c\}$  is an  $m$ -clopen set, but not an  $m^*$ -operfect set.

**Proposition 3.3.** For a subset  $A$  of an ideal minimal space  $(X, m_x, I)$ , the following properties hold.

- (i) Every  $m^*$ -perfect set is a strongly  $\alpha$ - $m^*$ -closed set.
- (ii) Every  $\alpha$ - $m^*$ -closed set is a pre- $m^*$ -closed set.

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- (iii) Every  $\alpha$ - $m^*$ -closed set is a  $t$ - $m$ - $I$  -set.
- (iv) Every  $m$ -preclosed set is a pre- $m^*$ -closed set.
- (v) Every pre- $m^*$ -closed set is an  $\alpha^*$ - $m$ - $I$ -set.
- (vi) Every  $m$ -clopen set is an  $m^*$ -clopen set.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be subset of an ideal minimal space  $(X, m_x, I)$

(i) Let  $A$  be an  $m^*$ -perfect set, then we have  $A_m^* = A$ .

Thus we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} m\text{-Cl}(m\text{-Int}(m\text{-Cl}^*(A))) &= m\text{-Cl}(m\text{-Int}(A \cup A_m^*)) \\ &= m\text{-Cl}(m\text{-Int}(A_m^*)) \\ &\subseteq m\text{-Cl}(A_m^*) = A_m^* = A. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $A$  is a strongly  $\alpha$ - $m^*$ -closed set.

(ii) Let  $A$  be an  $\alpha$ - $m^*$ -closed set.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Therefore, } (m - \text{Int}(A))_m^* &\subseteq m\text{-Cl}^*(m\text{-Int}(A)) \\ &\subseteq m\text{-Cl}^*(m\text{-Int}(m\text{-Cl}^*(A))) \\ &\subseteq A. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $A$  is a pre- $m^*$ -closed set.

(iii) Let  $A$  be an  $\alpha$ - $m^*$ -closed set.

Then we obtain that,

$$\begin{aligned} m\text{-Int}(m\text{-Cl}^*(A)) &= m\text{-Int}(m\text{-Cl}^*(m\text{-Int}(m\text{-Cl}^*(A)))) \\ &\subseteq m\text{-Int}(A). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $A \subseteq m\text{-Cl}^*(A)$ ,  $m\text{-Int}(A) \subseteq m\text{-Int}(m\text{-Cl}^*(A))$ .

This shows that  $A$  is a  $t$ - $m$ - $I$  -set.

(iv) Let  $A$  be a  $m$ -preclosed set.

Then we have  $(m - \text{Int}(A))_m^* \subseteq m\text{-Cl}(m\text{-Int}(A)) \subseteq A$ .

This shows that  $A$  is a pre- $m^*$ -closed set.

(v) Let  $A$  be a pre- $m^*$ -closed set.

Then we have  $(m - \text{Int}(A))_m^* \subseteq A$ .

Then we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} (m\text{-Int}(A)) \cup (m - \text{Int}(A))_m^* &\subseteq (m\text{-Int}(A)) \cup A \subseteq A \\ \text{and } m\text{-Int}(m\text{-Cl}^*(m\text{-Int}(A))) &\subseteq (m\text{-Int}(A)). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, it is obvious that

$$(m\text{-Int}(A)) \subseteq m\text{-Int}(m\text{-Cl}^*(m\text{-Int}(A))).$$

This shows that  $A$  is an  $\alpha^*$ - $m$ - $I$  -set.

(vi) Let  $A$  be an  $m$ -clopen set.

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Then  $A$  is  $m$ -open and  $m$ -closed and we obtain that  $A_m^* \subseteq m\text{-Cl}(A)=A$ .

Hence  $A$  is  $m$ -open and  $m^*$ -closed and hence  $m^*$ -clopen.

**Proposition 3.4.** For a subset  $A$  of an ideal minimal space  $(X, m_x, I)$  satisfying property I, then every  $m^*$ -closed set is an  $\alpha$ - $m^*$ -closed set.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be an  $m^*$ -closed set, then we have  $A_m^* \subseteq A$ .

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} m\text{-Cl}^*(m\text{-Int}(m\text{-Cl}^*(A))) &\subseteq m\text{-Cl}^*(m\text{-Cl}^*(A)) \\ &= m\text{-Cl}^*(A) = A. \end{aligned}$$

This shows that  $A$  is an  $\alpha$ - $m^*$ -closed set.

**Remark 3.4.** The converses of Propositions 3.3 and 3.4 need not be true as shown in the following examples.

**Example 3.5.** Let  $(X, m_x, I)$  be an ideal minimal space such that  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ ,

$$m_x = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{a, c\}\} \text{ and } I = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}.$$

Then  $A = \{a\}$  is an  $m^*$ -closed set and hence  $A$  is an  $m^*$ -clopen set, but it is neither an  $m$ -clopen set nor an  $m^*$ -perfect set.

**Example 3.6.** Let  $(X, m_x, I)$  be an ideal minimal space such that

$$X = \{a, b, c, d\},$$

$$m_x = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$$

$$\text{and } I = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}.$$

Then  $A = \{a, b, d\}$  is a strongly  $\alpha$ - $m^*$ -closed set, but not an  $m^*$ -perfect set.

**Example 3.7:** Let  $(X, m_x, I)$  be an ideal minimal space such that

$$X = \{a, b, c, d\},$$

$$m_x = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{c, d\}\}$$

$$\text{and } I = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}.$$

Then  $A = \{a, d\}$  is a pre- $m^*$ -closed set, but it is neither a  $t$ - $m$ - $I$ -set nor an  $\alpha$ - $m^*$ -closed set. Moreover,  $A$  is not an  $m$ -open set.

**Remark 3.5.** By Examples 3.2 and 3.7,  $m$ -open sets and pre- $m^*$ -closed sets are independent.

**Example 3.8.** Let  $(X, m_x, I)$  be an ideal minimal space such that

$$X = \{a, b, c, d\},$$

$$m_x = \{\emptyset, X, \{b\}, \{d\}\}$$

$$\text{and } I = \{\emptyset\}.$$

Then  $A = \{a, d\}$  is a  $t$ - $m$ - $I$ -set, but it is neither an  $\alpha$ - $m^*$ -closed set nor a pre- $m^*$ -closed set. Moreover, it is an  $\alpha^*$ - $m$ - $I$ -set.

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**Example 3.9.** Let  $(X, m_x, I)$  be an ideal minimal space as in Example 3.7. Then it is clear that

$A = \{a, d\}$  is a pre-m\*-closed set, but not an m-preclosed set.

**Example 3.10.** Let  $(X, m_x, I)$  be an ideal minimal space such that

$$X = \{a, b, c, d\},$$

$$m_x = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{c\}\}$$

$$\text{and } I = \{\phi, \{a\}\}.$$

Then  $A = \{a, d\}$  is an  $\alpha$ -m\*-closed set, but not an m\*-closed set.

**Remark 3.6.** By example 3.11, m-clopen sets and m\*-perfect sets are independent.

**Example 3.11.**

(i) Let  $(X, m_x, I)$  be an ideal minimal space such that

$$X = \{a, b, c, d\},$$

$$m_x = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{d\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$$

$$\text{and } I = \{\phi, \{a\}\}.$$

Then  $A = \{a, b, c\}$  is an m-clopen set, but not an m\*-perfect set.

(ii) Let  $(X, m_x, I)$  be an ideal minimal space such that

$$X = \{a, b, c, d\},$$

$$m_x = \{\phi, X, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c, d\}\}$$

$$\text{and } I = \{\phi\}.$$

Then  $A = \{a, b, d\}$  is an m\*-perfect set, but not an m-open set and hence not an m-clopen set.

**Remark 3.7.** It follows from Examples 3.7 and 3.8 that pre-m\*-closed sets and t-m-I-sets are independent.

**Proposition 3.5.** For a subset A of an ideal minimal space  $(X, m_x, I)$ , the following properties hold.

- (i) Every m- $\alpha$ -closed set is strongly  $\alpha$ -m\*-closed.
- (ii) Every strongly  $\alpha$ -m\*-closed set is  $\alpha$ -m\*-closed.

**Proof:**

(i) Let A be an m- $\alpha$ -closed set.

$$\text{Then, } m\text{-Cl}(m\text{-Int}(m\text{-Cl}^*(A))) \subseteq m\text{-Cl}(m\text{-Int}(m\text{Cl}(A))) \subseteq A.$$

This shows that A is strongly  $\alpha$ -m\*-closed.

(ii) Let A be a strongly  $\alpha$ -m\*-closed.

$$\text{Then, } m\text{-Cl}^*(m\text{-Int}(m\text{-Cl}^*(A))) \subseteq m\text{-Cl}(m\text{-Int}(m\text{-Cl}^*(A))) \subseteq A.$$

This shows that A is  $\alpha$ -m\*-closed.

**Remark 3.8.** The converses of Proposition 3.5 need not be true as seen in the following Examples.



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Hence we obtain that A is an m\*-closed set.

**Theorem 3.3.** For a subset A of an ideal minimal space  $(X, m_x, I)$ , the following are equivalent.

- (i) A is an  $\alpha$ -m\*-closed set.
- (ii) A is a pre- m\*-closed set and a t-m-I-set.

**Proof:**

(i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) According to diagram 3.1, it is obvious.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) Let A be a pre- m\*-closed and t-m-I-set.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus, } m\text{-Cl}^*(m\text{-Int}(m\text{-Cl}^*(A))) &= m\text{-Cl}^*(m\text{-Int}(A)) \\ &= (m\text{-Int}(A)) \cup (m - \text{Int}(A))_m^* \subseteq A. \end{aligned}$$

This shows that A is an  $\alpha$ -m\*-closed set.

**Theorem 3.4.** For a subset A of an ideal minimal space  $(X, m_x, I)$ , the following are equivalent.

- (i) A is a regular-m-I-closed set.
- (ii) A is a semi-m-I-regular set and a strongly  $\alpha$ -m\*-closed set.
- (iii) A is a semi-m-I-regular set and an  $\alpha$ -m\*-closed set.
- (iv) A is a semi-m-I-open set and an  $\alpha$ -m\*-closed set.
- (v) A is a semi-m-I-open set and a pre- m\*-closed set.

**Proof:**

(i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii), (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii), (iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iv) and (iv)  $\Rightarrow$  (v) are easily seen by diagram 2.1 and diagram 3.1.

(v)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) Let A be a semi-m-I-open and pre- m\*-closed set.

Then, we have  $(m - \text{Int}(A))_m^* \subseteq A$  since A is pre- m\*-closed.

Also since  $m_x \subseteq m_x^*$ ,  $m\text{-Int}(A) \subset (m - \text{Int}(A))_m^*$ .

Since A is semi-m-I-open, we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} A &\subseteq m\text{-Cl}^*(m\text{-Int}(A)) \\ &= (m\text{-Int}(A)) \cup (m - \text{Int}(A))_m^* \\ &= (m - \text{Int}(A))_m^* \subseteq A. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that A is a regular-m-I-closed set.

**Example 3.14.**

(i) Let  $(X, m_x, I)$  be an ideal minimal space such that

$$\begin{aligned} X &= \{a, b, c, d\}, \\ m_x &= \{\phi, X, \{b\}, \{d\}\} \end{aligned}$$

and  $I = \{\phi\}$ .

Then  $A = \{a, d\}$  is a semi-m-I-open set and a t-m-I-set and hence a semi-m-I-regular set but not a pre- m\*-closed set.

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(ii) Let  $(X, m_x, I)$  be an ideal minimal space such that

$$X = \{a, b, c, d\},$$

$$m_x = \{\phi, X, \{a, b\}\}$$

$$\text{and } I = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}.$$

Then  $A = \{a, c\}$  is a pre- $m^*$ -closed set and a  $t$ - $m$ - $I$ -set but not a semi- $m$ - $I$ -open set and hence not a semi- $m$ - $I$ -regular set.

From the above example 3.14 that the semi- $m$ - $I$ -open (hence semi- $m$ - $I$ -regular) sets and pre- $m^*$ -closed sets are independent.

### Example 3.15.

(i) Let  $(X, m_x, I)$  be the same ideal minimal space as in Example 3.14 (ii). Then  $A = \{a, c\}$  is a strongly  $\alpha$ - $m^*$ -closed set and hence an  $\alpha$ - $m^*$ -closed set but not a semi- $m$ - $I$ -regular set.

(ii) Let  $(X, m_x, I)$  be the same ideal minimal space as in Example 3.14 (i). Then  $A = \{a, d\}$  is semi- $m$ - $I$ -regular set but it is neither a strongly  $\alpha$ - $m^*$ -closed set nor an  $\alpha$ - $m^*$ -closed set.

From the above example 3.15 that the semi- $m$ - $I$ -open (hence semi- $m$ - $I$ -regular) sets and strongly  $\alpha$ - $m^*$ -closed (hence  $\alpha$ - $m^*$ -closed) sets are independent.

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