



## ON SOFT STRONGLY $B^*$ -COMPACTNESS AND SOFT STRONGLY $B^*$ -CONNECTEDNESS IN SOFT TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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**Abstract.** In this research article, we present a new class of soft compact spaces and soft Lindelöf spaces, we identify the idea of soft strongly  $b^*$ -compact and soft strongly  $b^*$ -Lindelöf spaces and we supply multiple interesting examples. As well as we mention that the inaugurated spaces are conserved under soft strongly  $b^*$ -irresolute mappings and we look into definite of results which connect an extensive soft topology with the showing soft spaces. As well as we inquiry the features and attributive of soft strongly  $b^*$ -connected spaces and discuss and identify its relationship with soft connectedness.

**Key words:** soft strongly  $b^*$ -closed set, soft strongly  $b^*$ -open set, soft strongly  $b^*$ -compact, soft strongly  $b^*$ -Lindelöf spaces, soft strongly  $b^*$ -connected space

**1. Introduction and Preliminaries.** Molodtsov [1] used an acceptable parametrization. In 1999, he introduced the soft set theorem's basic idea and disclosed the theorem's first result. He had many experimenters working on the proposal. Topology is eminent in colorful divaricate of mathematics. Therefore, Shabir and Naz [2] were the pioneers who introduced the concept of soft topological spaces. Kannan [3] assigned soft generalized closed and soft generalized open sets in soft topological spaces. Akdag and Ozkan ([4], [5]) presented a conception of soft  $\alpha$ -open, the soft  $b$ -open, and their respective continuous functions. Zorlutuna et al. inquiry soft interior point and soft neighbourhood and he first examined the compactness of soft topological spaces [6]. Connectedness [7] is an effective tool for topology introduced by Porter J. and Woods R.. Hussain [8] assigned and take a look at the features of soft connected space. Saif Z. et al. [9] introduced the soft  $bc$ -open set. The soft  $b^*$ -closed are introduced by Hameed, Saif Z. et al. [10]. Soft  $b^*$ -continuous functions, soft strongly  $b^*$ -closed and soft strongly  $b^*$ -continuous functions are studied by Hameed, Saif Z. et al. [11], [12].

In the present work, we define the soft strongly  $b^*$ -compact and soft strongly  $b^*$ -Lindelöf spaces. Also, we introduce the soft strongly  $b^*$ -connected spaces. The details of the properties, examples, and counterexamples that substantiate the concept are thoroughly discussed.

In this study, consider  $\mathcal{W}$  as an initial universe and  $P(\mathcal{W})$  as the power set of  $\mathcal{W}$ . In addition,  $\check{E} \neq \phi$  stands for the family of parameters that are being considered and  $\phi \notin \varphi \subseteq \check{E}$ .

DEFINITION 1.1. [1]  $(\Psi, \varphi)$  is referred to be a soft set over  $\mathcal{W}$  if  $\Psi$  is a map from  $\varphi$  to  $P(\mathcal{W})$ .

DEFINITION 1.2. [13] The soft set  $(\mathcal{S}, \varphi) \in \mathcal{SS}(\mathcal{W}, \varphi)$ , where  $S(\nabla) = \phi$ , for every  $\nabla \in \varphi$  is stated A-null soft set of  $\mathcal{SS}(\mathcal{W}, \varphi)$  and symbolize by  $\tilde{\phi}$ . The soft set  $(\mathcal{S}, \varphi) \in \mathcal{SS}(\mathcal{W}, \varphi)$ , where  $S(\nabla) = \mathcal{W}$ , for every  $\nabla \in \varphi$  is stated the A-absolute soft set of  $\mathcal{SS}(\mathcal{W}, \varphi)$  and symbolize by  $\tilde{\mathcal{W}}$ .

DEFINITION 1.3. [13] For two sets  $(\Psi, \varphi), (\mathcal{S}, \Theta) \in \mathcal{SS}(\mathcal{W}, \varphi)$ , then  $(\Psi, \varphi)$  is a soft subset of  $(\mathcal{S}, \Theta)$  symbolize by  $(\Psi, \varphi) \subseteq (\mathcal{S}, \Theta)$ , if

1.  $\varphi \subseteq \Theta$ .
2.  $\psi(\nabla) \subseteq S(\nabla), \forall \nabla \in \varphi$ .

Then,  $(\Psi, \varphi)$  is stated to be a soft superset of  $(\mathcal{S}, \Theta)$ , if  $(\mathcal{S}, \Theta)$  is a soft sub-set of  $(\Psi, \varphi)$ ,  $(\mathcal{S}, \Theta) \subseteq (\Psi, \varphi)$ .

DEFINITION 1.4. [2] Let  $(\Psi, \varphi)$  be soft set over  $\mathcal{W}$ ,  $z \in \mathcal{W}$ . that's what we call  $z \in (\Psi, \varphi)$ , whenever  $z \in \psi(\nabla)$  for all  $\nabla \in \varphi$ . The soft set  $(\Psi, \varphi)$  over  $\mathcal{W}$  such that  $\psi(\nabla) = \{z\}, \forall \nabla \in \varphi$  is stated singleton soft point and symbolize by  $z_\varphi$  or  $(z, \varphi)$ .

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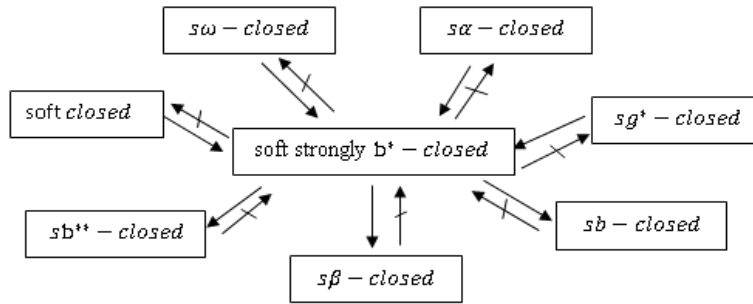


Fig. 1.1: Relationships of soft strongly  $b^*$ -closed

DEFINITION 1.5. [2] Let  $\mathcal{Q} \subseteq \mathcal{SS}(\mathcal{W}, \wp)$ . Then  $\mathcal{Q}$  is stated to be soft topological space (STS) if

1.  $\tilde{\phi}$  and  $\tilde{\mathcal{W}}$  belong to  $\mathcal{Q}$ .
2. Arbitrary unions of members  $\mathcal{Q}$  belongs to  $\mathcal{Q}$ .
3. Finite intersections of members  $\mathcal{Q}$  belongs to  $\mathcal{Q}$ .

It is symbolize by  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  (briefly  $\mathcal{W}$ ).

DEFINITION 1.6. [2] Let  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  be a STS over  $\mathcal{W}$ , then the organ of  $\mathcal{Q}$  are stated to be soft open sets in  $\mathcal{Q}$ .

DEFINITION 1.7. [2] Let  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  be a STS over  $\mathcal{W}$ . A soft set  $(\Psi, \wp)$  over  $\mathcal{W}$  is stated to be a soft closed set in  $\mathcal{W}$ , if its relative complement  $(\Psi, \wp)$  belongs to  $\mathcal{Q}$ .

DEFINITION 1.8. [6] Let  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  be a STS and  $(\Psi, \wp) \in \mathcal{SS}(\mathcal{W}, \wp)$ . Then

1. The soft closure of  $(\Psi, \wp)$  is the soft set  $cl(\Psi, \wp) = \cap\{(\mathcal{S}, \wp) : (\mathcal{S}, \wp) \in \mathcal{Q}^c, (\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\mathcal{S}, \wp)\}$ .

2. The soft interior of  $(\Psi, \wp)$  is the soft set  $int(\Psi, \wp) = \cup\{(\mathcal{S}, \wp) : (\mathcal{S}, \wp) \in \mathcal{Q}, (\mathcal{S}, \wp) \subseteq (\Psi, \wp)\}$ .

DEFINITION 1.9. A soft set  $(\Psi, \wp)$  of a STS  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  is stated to be

1. soft  $\alpha$ -open [4] if  $(\Psi, \wp) \subset int(cl(int((\Psi, \wp))))$ ,
2. soft pre-open [14] if  $(\Psi, \wp) \subset int(cl((\Psi, \wp)))$ ,
3. soft semi-open [15] if  $(\Psi, \wp) \subset cl(int((\Psi, \wp)))$ ,
4. soft  $\beta$ -open [14] if  $(\Psi, \wp) \subset cl(int(cl((\Psi, \wp))))$ ,
5. soft  $b$ -open [5] if  $(\Psi, \wp) \subset int(cl((\Psi, \wp))) \cup cl(int((\Psi, \wp)))$ .

DEFINITION 1.10. [16] A soft set  $(\Psi, \wp)$  is called soft  $\omega$ -closed in a STS  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$ , if  $cl(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\mathcal{S}, \wp)$  whenever  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\mathcal{S}, \wp)$  and  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp)$  is soft semi-open set in  $\mathcal{W}$ . The relative complement of  $(\Psi, \wp)$  is called soft  $\omega$ -open in  $\mathcal{W}$ .

DEFINITION 1.11. [12] A soft set  $(\Psi, \wp)$  of a STS  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  is called a soft strongly  $b^*$ -closed (briefly  $sSb^*$ -closed) if  $cl(int(\Psi, \wp)) \subseteq (\mathcal{S}, \wp)$ , whenever  $(\Psi, \wp) \subset (\mathcal{S}, \wp)$  and  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp)$  is  $sb$ -open. The complement of a  $sSb^*$ -closed set is stated to be  $sSb^*$ -open set.

THEOREM 1.12. [12] The following statements are correct:

1. Every soft open is  $sSb^*$ -open.
2. Every  $s\alpha$ -open is  $sSb^*$ -open.
3. Every  $sSb^*$ -open set is  $sb$ -open.
4. Every  $s\omega$ -open is  $sSb^*$ -open.

DEFINITION 1.13. [12] Let  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  be a STS. a subset  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq \mathcal{W}$  is called a soft strongly  $b^*$ -neighbourhood (briefly  $sSb^*$ -nbd) of point  $\nu \in \mathcal{W}$  if  $\exists$  an  $sSb^*$ -open set  $(\Psi, \wp)$  where  $\nu \in \mathcal{W} \subseteq (\Psi, \wp)$ .

DEFINITION 1.14. [12] Let  $(\mathcal{O}, \wp) \in \mathcal{SS}(\mathcal{W}, \wp)$ . Then  $sSb^*int(\mathcal{O}, \wp) = \cup\{(\mathcal{L}, \wp) : (\mathcal{L}, \wp) \text{ is a } sSb^*\text{-open set and } (\mathcal{L}, \wp) \subset (\mathcal{O}, \wp)\}$ .

DEFINITION 1.15. [12] Let  $(\mathcal{L}, \varphi) \in \mathcal{SS}(\mathcal{W}, \varphi)$ . Then  $sSb^*cl(\mathcal{L}, \varphi) = \cap\{(\Psi, \varphi) : (\Psi, \varphi) \text{ is a } sSb^*\text{-closed set and } (\mathcal{L}, \varphi) \subset (\Psi, \varphi)\}$ .

DEFINITION 1.16. [12] A soft mapping  $\Pi : \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \Sigma$ , from  $STS(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \varphi)$  into  $STS(\Sigma, \Omega, \Theta)$ , is stated to be soft strongly  $b^*$ -continuous (briefly  $sSb^*$ -continuous) if the inverse image of every soft open set in  $\Sigma$  is a  $sSb^*$ -open set in  $\mathcal{W}$ .

DEFINITION 1.17. [12] A soft mapping  $\Pi : \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \Sigma$  is stated to be soft strongly  $b^*$ -irresolute (briefly  $sSb^*$ -irresolute) if the inverse image of every  $sSb^*$ -closed set in  $\Sigma$  is a  $sSb^*$ -closed set in  $\mathcal{W}$ .

For are details, we refer to [12], [6], [7].

**2. Soft strongly  $b^*$ -compact spaces.** In this section, We offer the conception of soft strongly  $b^*$ -compact and soft strongly  $b^*$ -Lindelöf spaces and The significant structural properties.

DEFINITION 2.1. A collection  $\{(\psi_\epsilon, \varphi) : \epsilon \in \zeta\}$  of soft strongly  $b^*$ -open sets is called a soft strongly  $b^*$ -open cover of  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \varphi)$ , if  $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}} = \bigcup_{\epsilon \in \zeta} (\psi_\epsilon, \varphi)$ .

DEFINITION 2.2. A  $STS(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \varphi)$  is called soft strongly  $b^*$ -compact (resp. soft strongly  $b^*$ -Lindelöf), if each  $sSb^*$ -open cover of  $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$  has a finite (resp. countable) soft subcover of  $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$ .

DEFINITION 2.3. A soft subset  $(, \varphi)$  of a  $STS(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \varphi)$  is called soft strongly  $b^*$ -compact in  $\mathcal{W}$  determined by for every collection  $\{(\psi_\epsilon, \varphi) : \epsilon \in \zeta\}$  of soft strongly  $b^*$ -open sets of  $\mathcal{W}$  where  $(, \varphi) \subset \cup\{(\psi_\epsilon, \varphi) : \epsilon \in \zeta\} \exists$  finite subset  $\zeta_0$  of  $\zeta$  where  $(, \varphi) \subset \cup\{(\psi_\epsilon, \varphi) : \epsilon \in \zeta_0\}$

DEFINITION 2.4. A  $STS(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \varphi)$  is called soft strongly  $b^*$ -space if every  $sSb^*$ -open set of  $\mathcal{W}$  is soft open set in  $\mathcal{W}$ .

COROLLARY 2.5. If  $STS(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \varphi)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -compact space and soft strongly  $b^*$ -space, then  $\mathcal{W}$  is soft compact space.

*Proof.* Assume that  $\{(\psi_\epsilon, \varphi) : \epsilon \in \zeta\}$  be soft open cover of  $\mathcal{W}$ . For each soft open set is  $sSb^*$ -open set,  $\{(\psi_\epsilon, \varphi) : \epsilon \in \zeta\}$  is  $sSb^*$ -open cover of  $\mathcal{W}$ . For  $\mathcal{W}$  is  $sSb^*$ -compact space and  $sSb^*$ -space,  $\exists$  finite subset  $\zeta_0$  of  $\zeta$  where  $\mathcal{W} \subset \{(\psi_\epsilon, \varphi) : \epsilon \in \zeta_0\}$ . Therefore,  $\mathcal{W}$  is soft compact space.  $\square$

COROLLARY 2.6. If  $\Pi : \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \Sigma$  is a  $sSb^*$ -continuous function and  $sSb^*$ -space, then  $\Pi$  is soft continuous function.

*Proof.* Assume  $\{(\psi_\epsilon, \varphi) : \epsilon \in \zeta\}$  be soft open set of  $\Sigma$ . whereas  $\Pi$  is  $sSb^*$ -continuous,  $\{\Pi^{-1}((\psi_\epsilon, \varphi)) : \epsilon \in \zeta\}$  is  $sSb^*$ -open set of  $\mathcal{W}$  and whereas  $\mathcal{W}$  is  $sSb^*$ -space,  $\{\Pi^{-1}((\psi_\epsilon, \varphi)) : \epsilon \in \zeta\}$  forms soft open set of  $\mathcal{W}$ . Thus,  $\Pi$  is soft continuous.  $\square$

COROLLARY 2.7. Assume  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \varphi)$  be  $STS$ . If  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}_\nabla)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -compact space, for each  $\nabla \in \varphi$ , then  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \varphi)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -compact space.

*Proof.* Assume that  $\varphi = \{\nabla_1, \nabla_1, \dots, \nabla_n\}$  be a set of parameter and  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}_\nabla)$  is  $sSb^*$ -compact space, for each  $\epsilon = \overline{1, n}$ . Suppose  $\{(\psi_\epsilon, \varphi) : \epsilon \in \zeta\}$  be  $sSb^*$ -open cover of  $\mathcal{W}$ . Since  $\bigcup_{\epsilon \in \zeta} (\psi_\epsilon, \varphi)(\nabla) = \widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$ , for each  $\nabla \in \varphi$ , and  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}_\nabla)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -compact,  $\exists$  finite subset  $\zeta_0$  of  $\zeta$  where  $\bigcup_{\epsilon \in \zeta_0} (\psi_\epsilon, \varphi)(\nabla) = \widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$ . Hence,  $\{(\psi_\epsilon, \varphi) : \epsilon \in \zeta_0\}$  is a finite subcover of  $\{(\psi_\epsilon, \varphi) : \epsilon \in \zeta\}$ . Hence,  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \varphi)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -compact space.  $\square$

COROLLARY 2.8. Every  $sSb^*$ -compact (resp.  $sSb^*$ -Lindelöf) space is soft compact (resp. soft Lindelöf).

In the next example, indicates that the inclusions of the Corollary 2.8 is not necessarily correct.

*Example 1.* Consider  $\varphi = Q^c$  is the set of irrational numbers. Let  $\mathcal{Q} = \{\widetilde{\phi}, \widetilde{\mathcal{W}}, (, \varphi)$  when  $(\nabla) = \{1\}$ ,  $\forall \nabla \in \varphi$  be a  $STS$  on  $\mathcal{W} = \{1, 2\}$ . clearly,  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \varphi)$  is soft compact. furthermore, a family  $\{(\delta, \Theta) : \delta(v) = \{1\}, \forall v \neq \nabla\}$  is a  $sSb^*$ -open cover of  $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$ . For has not a soft countable subcover of  $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$ . Thus,  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \varphi)$  is not a  $sSb^*$ -Lindelöf space.

THEOREM 2.9. Every  $sSb^*$ -compact space is a  $sSb^*$ -Lindelöf.

*Proof.* Clear.  $\square$

In the next example, indicates that the inclusions of the Theorem 2.9 and Figure 2.1 is not necessarily correct.

*Example 2.* Let  $\mathcal{Q} = \{\widetilde{\phi}, \widetilde{\aleph}, (\delta, \varphi)\}$  and  $\varphi = \{\nabla_1, \nabla_1, \dots, \nabla_n\}$ . such that  $\delta(\nabla) = \{1\}, \forall \nabla \in \varphi$  be a  $STS$  on the set of natural numbers  $\aleph$ . Since  $\varphi$  and  $\aleph$  are soft countable, then  $(\aleph, \mathcal{Q}, \varphi)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -Lindelöf. furthermore, a family  $\{(\mathcal{S}, \Theta) : \mathcal{S}(v) = \{1, x\}, \text{ for each } v \in \Theta, x \in \aleph\}$  is a  $sSb^*$ -open cover of  $\widetilde{\aleph}$ . For has not soft finite subcover of  $\widetilde{\aleph}$ . Thus,  $(\aleph, \mathcal{Q}, \varphi)$  is not a  $sSb^*$ -compact.

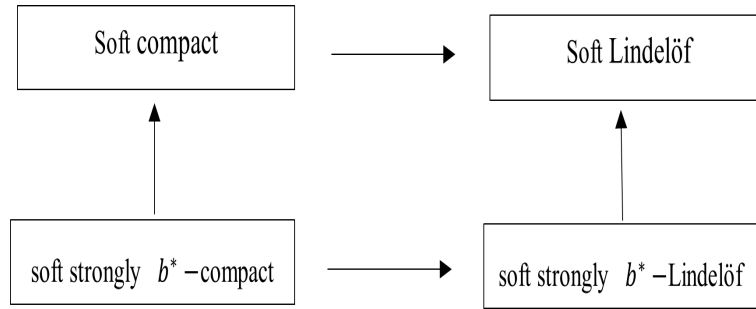


Fig. 2.1: Relationships

**THEOREM 2.10.** *The soft union of two  $sSb^*$ -compact (resp.  $sSb^*$ -Lindelöf) sets is  $sSb^*$ -compact (resp.  $sSb^*$ -Lindelöf).*

*Proof.* Let  $(\psi, \wp)$  and  $(, \wp)$  be two  $sSb^*$ -compact sets. Assume that  $\{(\psi_\epsilon, \wp) : \epsilon \in \zeta\}$  is a  $sSb^*$ -open cover of  $(\psi, \wp) \cup (, \wp)$ . Then,  $\{(\psi_\epsilon, \wp) : \epsilon \in \zeta\}$  is a  $sSb^*$ -open cover of  $(\psi, \wp)$  and  $(, \wp)$ . Since  $(\psi, \wp)$  and  $(, \wp)$  are  $sSb^*$ -compact, there exist finite subfamilies  $\zeta_0$  and  $\zeta_1$  of  $\zeta$  such that  $(\psi, \wp) \subseteq \{(\psi_\epsilon, \wp) : \epsilon \in \zeta_0\}$  and  $(, \wp) \subseteq \{(\psi_\epsilon, \wp) : \epsilon \in \zeta_1\}$ . Hence,  $(\psi, \wp) \cup (, \wp) \subseteq (\cup\{(\psi_\epsilon, \wp) : \epsilon \in \zeta_0\}) \cup (\cup\{(\psi_\epsilon, \wp) : \epsilon \in \zeta_1\})$ . It follows that,  $(\psi, \wp) \cup (, \wp) \subseteq \cup\{(\psi_\epsilon, \wp) : \epsilon \in \zeta_0 \cup \zeta_1\}$ . Thus,  $(\psi, \wp) \cup (, \wp)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -compact.

The proof of the case of  $sSb^*$ -Lindelöfness is similar.  $\square$

**THEOREM 2.11.** *Every  $sSb^*$ -closed subset  $(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  of  $sSb^*$ -compact  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -compact.*

*Proof.* Assume that  $(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  be a  $sSb^*$ -closed subset of  $sSb^*$ -compact space  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$ . Then  $(\mathcal{L}^c, \wp)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -open. Let  $\{(\underline{\epsilon}, \wp) : \underline{\epsilon} \in \ell\}$  be a  $sSb^*$ -open cover of  $(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$ . Therefore,  $\{(\underline{\epsilon}, \wp) : \underline{\epsilon} \in \ell\} \cup (\mathcal{L}^c, \wp)$  is  $sSb^*$ -open cover of  $\mathcal{W}$ . For  $\mathcal{W}$  is  $sSb^*$ -compact space,  $\exists$  finite subcover  $\{(\underline{\epsilon}, \wp) : \underline{\epsilon} \in \zeta_0\} \cup (\mathcal{L}^c, \wp)$  for  $\mathcal{W}$ . Now,  $[\{(\underline{\epsilon}, \wp) : \underline{\epsilon} \in \zeta_0\} \cup (\mathcal{L}^c, \wp)] - (\mathcal{L}^c, \wp)$  is a finite subcover of  $\{(\underline{\epsilon}, \wp) : \underline{\epsilon} \in \zeta\}$  for  $(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$ . So,  $(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  is  $sSb^*$ -compact.  $\square$

**THEOREM 2.12.** *Every  $sSb^*$ -closed subset  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp)$  of  $sSb^*$ -Lindelöf space  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  is  $sSb^*$ -Lindelöf.*

*Proof.* Assume that  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp)$  be  $sSb^*$ -closed subset  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp)$  of  $sSb^*$ -compact space  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  and  $\{(\Psi_\epsilon, \wp) : \epsilon \in \zeta\}$  be  $sSb^*$ -open cover of  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp)$ . Therefore,  $(\mathcal{S}^c, \wp)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -open and  $(\mathcal{S}^c, \wp) \subseteq \cup_{\epsilon \in \zeta} (\Psi_\epsilon, \wp)$ . Therefore,  $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}} = (\Psi_\epsilon, \wp) \cup (\mathcal{S}^c, \wp)$ . Since  $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$  is a  $sSb^*$ -Lindelöf space, then  $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}} = \cup_{\epsilon \in \zeta} (\Psi_\epsilon, \wp) \cup (\mathcal{S}^c, \wp)$ . This implies that  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp) \subseteq \cup_{\epsilon \in \zeta} (\Psi_\epsilon, \wp)$ . Hence,  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -Lindelöf.  $\square$

**COROLLARY 2.13.** *If  $(\delta, \wp)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -closed subset of  $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$  and  $(\Psi, \wp)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -compact (resp.  $sSb^*$ -Lindelöf) subset of  $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$ . Then,  $(\Psi, \wp) \cap (\delta, \wp)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -compact (resp.  $sSb^*$ -Lindelöf).*

*Proof.* Let  $(\Psi, \wp)$  be a  $sSb^*$ -compact set, consider  $\{(G_\epsilon, \wp) : \epsilon \in \zeta\}$  is  $sSb^*$ -open cover of  $(\Psi, \wp) \cap (\delta, \wp)$ . Then  $\{(G_\epsilon, \wp) : \epsilon \in \zeta\} \cup (\delta^c, \wp)$  is  $sSb^*$ -open cover of  $(\Psi, \wp)$ . For  $(\Psi, \wp)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -compact. So,  $\exists$  a soft finite subfamily  $\zeta_0$  of  $\zeta \ni (\Psi, \wp) \subseteq \cup_{\epsilon \in \zeta_0} (G_\epsilon, \wp) \cup (\delta^c, \wp)$ . Hence,  $(\Psi, \wp) \cap (\delta, \wp) \subseteq \cup_{\epsilon \in \zeta_0} (G_\epsilon, \wp) \cap (\delta, \wp) \subseteq \cup_{\epsilon \in \zeta_0} (G_\epsilon, \wp)$ . Therefore,  $(\Psi, \wp) \cap (\delta, \wp)$  is  $sSb^*$ -compact.

The same evidence applies to  $sSb^*$ -Lindelöf space.  $\square$

In the next example, indicates that the inclusions of the Theorem 2.12 is not necessary correct.

*Example 3.* Let  $\mathcal{W} = \{h_1, h_2\}$  and  $\wp = \{\nabla_1, \nabla_2\}$ . Consider

$\mathcal{Q} = \{\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}, \widetilde{\phi}, (\Psi_1, \wp), (\Psi_2, \wp), (\Psi_3, \wp)\}$  where  $(\Psi_1, \wp), (\Psi_2, \wp)$  and  $(\Psi_3, \wp)$  defined as following manner:

$(\Psi_1, \wp) = \{(\nabla_1, \{h_1\}), (\nabla_2, \phi)\},$

$(\Psi_2, \wp) = \{(\nabla_1, \phi), (\nabla_2, \{h_2\})\}$  and

$(\Psi_3, \wp) = \{(\nabla_1, \{h_1\}), (\nabla_2, \{h_2\})\}.$

Then  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  is a *STS* over  $\mathcal{W}$ . Obviously,  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  is  $sSb^*$ -compact. furthermore, a soft set  $(\Pi, \wp) = \{(\nabla_1, \{h_1\}), (\nabla_2, \mathcal{W})\}$  is a  $sSb^*$ -compact, even so it is not a  $sSb^*$ -closed.

**THEOREM 2.14.** *A  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  is  $sSb^*$ -compact (resp.  $sSb^*$ -Lindelöf) if and only if each collection of  $sSb^*$ -closed subsets of  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$ , satisfying the soft finite (resp. soft countable) intersection property,  $\cap_{\epsilon \in \ell} (\Psi_\epsilon, \wp) \neq \phi$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -compact, and  $\{(\xi_\epsilon, \wp) : \epsilon \in \ell\}$  be a family of  $sSb^*$ -closed subsets of  $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$ . Let  $\cap_{\epsilon \in \ell} (\xi_\epsilon, \wp) = \phi$ . Then  $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}} = \cup_{\epsilon \in \ell} (\xi_\epsilon^c, \wp)$ . For  $\cup_{\epsilon \in \ell} (\xi_\epsilon^c, \wp)$  is a collection of  $sSb^*$ -open sets covering  $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$ . As  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  is  $sSb^*$ -compact, then  $\exists$  a soft finite subset  $\ell_0$  of  $\ell \ni \cup_{\epsilon \in \ell_0} (\xi_\epsilon^c, \wp) = \widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$  then  $\cap_{\epsilon \in \ell_0} (\xi_\epsilon, \wp) = \phi$ . Which gives contradictions. Therefore,  $\cap_{\epsilon \in \ell} (\xi_\epsilon, \wp) \neq \phi$ . Conversely, let  $\{(\gamma_\epsilon, \wp) : \epsilon \in \ell\}$  be a family of  $sSb^*$ -open cover of  $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$ . Let for every finite subset  $\ell_0 \subset \ell$ , we have  $\cup_{\epsilon \in \ell_0} (\gamma_\epsilon^c, \wp) \neq \widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$ . Then  $\cap_{\epsilon \in \ell} (\gamma_\epsilon^c, \wp) \neq \phi$ . Thus,  $\{(\gamma_\epsilon^c, \wp) : \epsilon \in \ell\}$  satisfies the finite intersection property. By definition get  $\cap_{\epsilon \in \ell} (\gamma_\epsilon^c, \wp) \neq \phi$  which implies  $\cup_{\epsilon \in \ell_0} (\gamma_\epsilon, \wp) \neq \widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$  and this contradicts that  $\{(\gamma_\epsilon, \wp) : \epsilon \in \ell\}$  is a  $sSb^*$ -open cover of  $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$ . Hence,  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -compact space.  $\square$

**THEOREM 2.15.** *Let  $\Pi : \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \Sigma$  be a  $sSb^*$ -continuous function. If  $\mathcal{W}$  is a  $sSb^*$ -compact space, then the image of  $\mathcal{W}$  under the  $\Pi$  is a soft compact.*

*Proof.* Assume  $\Pi : \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \Sigma$  is a  $sSb^*$ -continuous,  $\{(G_\epsilon, \wp) : \epsilon \in \ell\}$  is a soft cover of  $\Sigma$ . For  $\Pi$  is a  $sSb^*$ -continuous, therefore  $\{\Pi^{-1}((G_\epsilon, \wp)) : \epsilon \in \ell\}$  is a  $sSb^*$ -open cover of  $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$  and  $\mathcal{W}$  is a  $sSb^*$ -compact,  $\exists$  a soft finite sub-set  $\ell_0$  of  $\ell \ni \{\Pi^{-1}((G_\epsilon, \wp)) : \epsilon \in \ell_0\}$  composes a  $sSb^*$ -open cover of  $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$ . Thus,  $\{\Pi^{-1}((G_\epsilon, \wp)) : \epsilon \in \ell_0\}$  composes a soft finite soft open cover of  $\widetilde{\Sigma}$ . Therefore,  $\Sigma$  is a soft compact.  $\square$

**THEOREM 2.16.** *Let  $\Pi : \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \Sigma$  be a  $sSb^*$ -irresolute surjection and  $\mathcal{W}$  is a  $sSb^*$ -compact space, then  $\Sigma$  is a  $sSb^*$ -compact.*

*Proof.* Suppose  $\Pi : \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \Sigma$  be a  $sSb^*$ -irresolute surjection,  $\mathcal{W}$  be a  $sSb^*$ -compact  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  to  $(\Sigma, \Omega, \Theta)$ . A soft open cover  $\{(\delta_\epsilon, \wp) : \epsilon \in \zeta\}$  of  $\Sigma$ . Then  $\{\Pi^{-1}((\delta_\epsilon, \wp)) : \epsilon \in \zeta\}$  is a  $sSb^*$ -open cover of  $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$ . For  $\mathcal{W}$  is a  $sSb^*$ -compact, then  $\exists$  a finite subset  $\zeta_0$  of  $\zeta$  such that  $\{\Pi^{-1}((\delta_\epsilon, \wp)) : \epsilon \in \zeta_0\}$  composes a  $sSb^*$ -open cover of  $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$ . Therefore,  $\{\Pi^{-1}((\delta_\epsilon, \wp)) : \epsilon \in \zeta_0\}$  composes a finite  $sSb^*$ -open cover of  $\widetilde{\Sigma}$ . Hence,  $\Sigma$  is a  $sSb^*$ -compact.  $\square$

**THEOREM 2.17.** *The  $sSb^*$ -irresolute image of a  $sSb^*$ -compact (resp.  $sSb^*$ -Lindelöf) set is a  $sSb^*$ -compact (resp.  $sSb^*$ -Lindelöf).*

*Proof.* Assume that  $\Pi : \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \Sigma$  be a  $sSb^*$ -irresolute and let  $(, \wp)$  be a  $sSb^*$ -Lindelöf subset of  $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$ . Let  $\{(\Psi_\epsilon, \wp) : \epsilon \in \zeta\}$  is  $sSb^*$ -open cover of  $\Pi(, \wp)$ . Then  $\Pi(, \wp) \subseteq \cup_{\epsilon \in \zeta} (\Psi_\epsilon, \wp)$ . Then,  $(, \wp) \subseteq \cup_{\epsilon \in \zeta} \Pi^{-1}(\Psi_\epsilon, \wp)$  and  $\Pi^{-1}(\Psi_\epsilon, \wp)$  is  $sSb^*$ -open, for every  $\epsilon \in \zeta$ . by assumption,  $(, \wp)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -Lindelöf, then  $(, \wp) \subseteq \cup_{\epsilon \in \zeta} \Pi^{-1}(\Psi_\epsilon, \wp)$ . Therefore,  $\Pi(, \wp) \subseteq \cup_{\epsilon \in \zeta} \Pi(\Pi^{-1}(\Psi_\epsilon, \wp)) \subseteq \cup_{\epsilon \in \zeta} (\Psi_\epsilon, \wp)$ . Thus,  $\Pi(, \wp)$  is  $sSb^*$ -Lindelöf space. The same proof in case  $sSb^*$ -compact space.  $\square$

**3. Soft strongly  $b^*$ -connected spaces.** One of the most important properties of soft strongly  $b^*$ -connected space is discussed and explored in this section.

**DEFINITION 3.1.** *Let  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  be STS, and  $(\Psi, \wp), (\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  are  $sSb^*$ -open sets over  $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}$ . Then,  $(\Psi, \wp)$  and  $(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  are stated to be soft strongly  $b^*$ -separated sets iff  $sSb^*cl(\Psi, \wp) \cap (\mathcal{L}, \wp) = \phi$  and  $(\Psi, \wp) \cap sSb^*cl(\mathcal{L}, \wp) = \phi$ .*

**THEOREM 3.2.** *If  $(\Psi, \wp)$  and  $(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  are  $sSb^*$ -separated sets then they are disjoint.*

*Proof.*  $(\Psi, \wp) \cap (\mathcal{L}, \wp) \subseteq sSb^*cl(\Psi, \wp) \cap (\mathcal{L}, \wp) = \phi$ .  $\square$

**THEOREM 3.3.** *If  $(\Psi, \wp)$  and  $(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  are  $sSb^*$ -separated subsets of  $\mathcal{W}$  and  $(\Gamma, \wp) \subseteq (\Psi, \wp)$  and  $(\Upsilon, \wp) \subseteq (\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  then  $(\Gamma, \wp)$  and  $(\Upsilon, \wp)$  are also  $sSb^*$ -separated.*

*Proof.* Suppose  $(\Psi, \wp)$  and  $(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  are  $sSb^*$ -separated subsets of a space  $\mathcal{W}$ , by definition 3.1;  $sSb^*cl(\Psi, \wp) \cap (\mathcal{L}, \wp) = \phi$  and  $(\Psi, \wp) \cap sSb^*cl(\mathcal{L}, \wp) = \phi$ . Since  $(\Gamma, \wp) \subseteq (\Psi, \wp)$ , we have  $sSb^*cl(\Gamma, \wp) \subseteq sSb^*cl(\Psi, \wp)$  and since  $(\Upsilon, \wp) \subseteq (\mathcal{L}, \wp)$ , then  $sSb^*cl(\Upsilon, \wp) \subseteq sSb^*cl(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$ . Hence,  $(\Gamma, \wp) \cap sSb^*cl(\Upsilon, \wp) = (\Psi, \wp) \cap sSb^*cl(\mathcal{L}, \wp) = \phi$  and  $sSb^*cl(\Gamma, \wp) \cap (\Upsilon, \wp) = sSb^*cl(\Psi, \wp) \cap (\mathcal{L}, \wp) = \phi$ . Therefore,  $(\Gamma, \wp)$  and  $(\Upsilon, \wp)$  are also  $sSb^*$ -separated.  $\square$

**THEOREM 3.4.** *Two soft separated sets are soft  $sSb^*$ -separated sets.*

*Proof.* Assume  $(\vartheta, \wp)$  and  $(, \wp)$  be two soft separated sets over  $\mathcal{W}$ , so  $sSb^*cl(\vartheta, \wp) \cap (, \wp) = \phi$  and  $(\vartheta, \wp) \cap sSb^*cl(, \wp) = \phi$ .

As

$$sSb^*cl(\vartheta, \wp) \subseteq cl(\vartheta, \wp).$$

$$sSb^*cl(\vartheta, \wp) \cap (, \wp) \subseteq cl(\vartheta, \wp) \cap (, \wp) = \phi.$$

$$\text{and similarly, } (\vartheta, \wp) \cap sSb^*cl(, \wp) \subseteq (\vartheta, \wp) \cap cl(, \wp) = \phi.$$

Hence,  $(\vartheta, \wp)$  and  $(, \wp)$  are  $sSb^*$ -separated sets.

$\square$

*Remark 1.* If  $(\vartheta, \wp)$  and  $(, \wp)$  are disjoint. Then, require not be  $sSb^*$ -separated.

*Example 4.* Consider  $\mathcal{W} = \{\varsigma_1, \varsigma_2\}$  and  $\wp = \{\nabla_1, \nabla_2\}$ . Consider  $\mathcal{Q} = \{\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}, \widetilde{\phi}, (\vartheta, \wp)\}$  where  $(\vartheta, \wp) = \{(\nabla_1, \{\varsigma_1\}), (\nabla_2, \{\varsigma_2\})\}$ , let  $(, \wp) = \{(\nabla_1, \{\varsigma_1\}), (\nabla_2, \{\varsigma_2\})\}$  and  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp) = \{(\nabla_1, \{\varsigma_2\}), (\nabla_2, \{\varsigma_1\})\}$  be two soft sets over  $\mathcal{Q}$ . Then  $(, \wp)$  and  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp)$  are soft disjoint sets but they are not  $sSb^*$ -separated.

**DEFINITION 3.5.** Let  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  be  $STS$  over  $\mathcal{W}$ . Then  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  is stated to be  $sSb^*$ -connected, if  $\mathcal{W}$  cannot be intimated as the union of two  $sSb^*$ -open sets. Else,  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  is stated to be a  $sSb^*$ -disconnected.

*Example 5.* Consider  $\mathcal{W} = \{r, t, d\}$  and  $\wp = \{\nabla_1, \nabla_2\}$ . Consider

$$\mathcal{Q} = \{\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}, \widetilde{\phi}, (\Gamma_1, \wp), (\Gamma_2, \wp), (\Gamma_3, \wp), (\Gamma_4, \wp), (\Gamma_5, \wp)\}$$

where  $(\Gamma_1, \wp), (\Gamma_2, \wp), (\Gamma_3, \wp), (\Gamma_4, \wp)$  and  $(\Gamma_5, \wp)$  are  $sSb^*$ -open sets over  $\mathcal{W}$ , define as follows:

$$(\Gamma_1, \wp) = \{(\nabla_1, \{t\}), (\nabla_2, \{r\})\},$$

$$(\Gamma_2, \wp) = \{(\nabla_1, \{t, d\}), (\nabla_2, \{r, t\})\},$$

$$(\Gamma_3, \wp) = \{(\nabla_1, \{r, t\}), (\nabla_2, \mathcal{W})\},$$

$$(\Gamma_4, \wp) = \{(\nabla_1, \{r, t\}), (\nabla_2, \{r, d\})\} \text{ and}$$

$$(\Gamma_5, \wp) = \{(\nabla_1, \{t\}), (\nabla_2, \{r, t\})\}.$$

Then  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  is  $STS$  on  $\mathcal{W}$ . Thus,  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  is a  $STS$  over  $\mathcal{W}$ . Intelligibly,  $\mathcal{W}$  is a  $sSb^*$ -connected.

**THEOREM 3.6.** Let  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  be a  $STS$  and  $(\Psi, \wp)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -connected. Let  $(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  and  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp)$  are  $sSb^*$ -separated sets. If  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\mathcal{L}, \wp) \cup (\mathcal{S}, \wp)$ . Then either  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  or  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\mathcal{S}, \wp)$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $(\Psi, \wp)$  be a  $sSb^*$ -connected and  $(\mathcal{L}, \wp), (\mathcal{S}, \wp)$  are  $sSb^*$ -separated sets such that  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\mathcal{L}, \wp) \cup (\mathcal{S}, \wp)$ . Let  $(\Psi, \wp)$  not subset of  $(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  and  $(\Psi, \wp)$  not subset of  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp)$ . Suppose  $(P_1, \wp) \subseteq (\mathcal{L}, \wp) \cap (\Psi, \wp) \neq \phi$  and  $(P_2, \wp) \subseteq (\mathcal{S}, \wp) \cap (\Psi, \wp) \neq \phi$ . Then  $(\Psi, \wp) = (P_1, \wp) \cup (P_2, \wp)$ . Since  $(P_1, \wp) \subseteq (\mathcal{L}, \wp)$ , hence  $sSb^*cl(P_1, \wp) \subseteq sSb^*cl(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$ . Since  $sSb^*cl(\mathcal{L}, \wp) \cap (\mathcal{S}, \wp) = \phi$  then  $sSb^*cl(P_1, \wp) \cap (P_2, \wp) = \phi$ . Since  $(P_2, \wp) \subseteq (\mathcal{S}, \wp)$ , hence  $sSb^*cl(P_2, \wp) \subseteq sSb^*cl(\mathcal{S}, \wp)$ . Since  $sSb^*cl(\mathcal{S}, \wp) \cap (\mathcal{L}, \wp) = \phi$ , then  $sSb^*cl(P_2, \wp) \cap (P_1, \wp) = \phi$ . But  $(\Psi, \wp) = (P_1, \wp) \cup (P_2, \wp)$ . Therefore,  $(\Psi, \wp)$  is not a  $sSb^*$ -connected. This is a contradiction. Then either  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  or  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\mathcal{S}, \wp)$ .  $\square$

**THEOREM 3.7.** Let  $(\Psi, \wp)$  be a  $sSb^*$ -connected set. If  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\mathcal{L}, \wp) \subseteq sSb^*cl(\Psi, \wp)$  then  $(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  is also a  $sSb^*$ -connected.

*Proof.* If  $(\Psi, \wp)$  be not a  $sSb^*$ -connected, then  $\exists$  two soft sets  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp) \subseteq (G, \wp)$  such that  $sSb^*cl(\mathcal{S}, \wp) \cap (G, \wp) = (G, \wp) \cap sSb^*cl(\mathcal{S}, \wp) = \phi$  and  $(\mathcal{L}, \wp) = (\mathcal{S}, \wp) \cup (G, \wp)$ . Since  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\mathcal{L}, \wp)$ , thus either  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\mathcal{S}, \wp)$  or  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (G, \wp)$ . Suppose  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\mathcal{S}, \wp)$  then  $sSb^*cl(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq sSb^*cl(\mathcal{S}, \wp)$ , thus  $sSb^*cl(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (G, \wp) = sSb^*cl(\mathcal{S}, \wp) \cap (G, \wp) = \phi$ . But  $(G, \wp) \subseteq (\mathcal{L}, \wp) \subseteq sSb^*cl(\Psi, \wp)$  thus  $sSb^*cl(\Psi, \wp) \cap (G, \wp) = (G, \wp)$ . Therefore,  $(G, \wp) = \phi$ , so is a contradiction. Hence,  $(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -connected. Similarly, if  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\mathcal{L}, \wp)$ , then  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp) = \phi$ . Which again a contradiction. Hence,  $(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -connected.  $\square$

**THEOREM 3.8.** If  $(\Psi, \wp)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -connected set then  $sSb^*cl(\Psi, \wp)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -connected.

*Proof.* Let  $(\Psi, \wp)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -connected set then  $sSb^*cl(\Psi, \wp)$  is not. Then there exists two  $sSb^*$ -separation sets  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp)$  and  $(\delta, \wp)$  such that  $sSb^*cl(\Psi, \wp) = (\mathcal{S}, \wp) \cup (\delta, \wp)$ . But  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq sSb^*cl(\Psi, \wp)$ , then  $(\Psi, \wp) = (\mathcal{S}, \wp) \cup (\delta, \wp)$  and since  $(\Psi, \wp)$  is  $sSb^*$ -connected set, then by theorem 3.6 either  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\mathcal{S}, \wp)$  or  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\delta, \wp)$ . If  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\mathcal{S}, \wp)$  then  $sSb^*cl(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq sSb^*cl(\mathcal{S}, \wp)$ . But  $sSb^*cl(\mathcal{S}, \wp) \cap (\delta, \wp) = \phi$ . Hence,  $sSb^*cl(\Psi, \wp) \cap (\delta, \wp) = \phi$ . Since  $(\delta, \wp) \subseteq sSb^*cl(\Psi, \wp)$ , then  $(\delta, \wp) = \phi$ . So is a contradiction. If  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\delta, \wp)$  we can prove  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp) = \phi$  as the same, that is a contradiction. Hence,  $sSb^*cl(\Psi, \wp)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -connected.  $\square$

**THEOREM 3.9.** If  $(\Psi, \wp)$  and  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp)$  are two  $sSb^*$ -connected sets where  $(\Psi, \wp) \cap (\mathcal{S}, \wp) \neq \phi$ . Therefore  $(\Psi, \wp) \cup (\mathcal{S}, \wp)$  is also a  $sSb^*$ -connected set.

*Proof.* Assume that, if possible,  $(\Psi, \wp) \cup (\mathcal{S}, \wp)$  be  $sSb^*$ -disconnected set, then  $(\Psi, \wp) \cup (\mathcal{S}, \wp) = (\vartheta, \wp) \cup (\delta, \wp)$ , where  $(\vartheta, \wp) \neq \phi, (\delta, \wp) \neq \phi \ni (\vartheta, \wp)$  and  $(\delta, \wp)$  are  $sSb^*$ -separation. Since  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\Psi, \wp) \cup (\mathcal{S}, \wp) = (\vartheta, \wp) \cup (\delta, \wp)$ , Therefore,  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\vartheta, \wp) \cup (\delta, \wp)$ . Hence, by Theorem 3.6, we have either  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\vartheta, \wp)$  or  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\delta, \wp)$ . Again, either  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp) \subseteq (\vartheta, \wp)$  or  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp) \subseteq (\delta, \wp)$ . Thus, we have four choices either  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\vartheta, \wp)$  and  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp) \subseteq (\vartheta, \wp)$  or  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\vartheta, \wp)$  and  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp) \subseteq (\delta, \wp)$  or  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\delta, \wp)$  and  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp) \subseteq (\vartheta, \wp)$  or  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\delta, \wp)$  and  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp) \subseteq (\delta, \wp)$ . If  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\vartheta, \wp)$  and  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp) \subseteq (\vartheta, \wp)$  or  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\delta, \wp)$  and  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp) \subseteq (\delta, \wp)$ , then  $(\Psi, \wp) \cup (\mathcal{S}, \wp) \subseteq (\vartheta, \wp)$  or  $(\Psi, \wp) \cup (\mathcal{S}, \wp) \subseteq (\delta, \wp) \Rightarrow (\vartheta, \wp) \cup (\delta, \wp) \subseteq (\vartheta, \wp)$  or  $(\vartheta, \wp) \cup (\delta, \wp) \subseteq (\delta, \wp) \Rightarrow (\vartheta, \wp) \cup (\delta, \wp) = (\vartheta, \wp)$  or  $(\vartheta, \wp) \cup (\delta, \wp) = (\delta, \wp) \Rightarrow (\delta, \wp) = \phi$  or  $(\vartheta, \wp) = \phi$ , then is a contradiction. So  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\vartheta, \wp)$  and  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp) \subseteq (\delta, \wp)$  or  $(\Psi, \wp) \subseteq (\delta, \wp)$  and  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp) \subseteq (\vartheta, \wp)$ , then in both the cases,  $(\Psi, \wp) \cap (\mathcal{S}, \wp) \subseteq (\vartheta, \wp) \cap (\delta, \wp) = \phi \Rightarrow (\Psi, \wp) \cap (\mathcal{S}, \wp) = \phi$ . So, is contradiction again to the given supposition that  $(\Psi, \wp) \cap (\mathcal{S}, \wp) \neq \phi$ . Hence,

we have  $(\Psi, \wp) \cup (\mathcal{S}, \wp)$  is also a  $sSb^*$ -connected set.  $\square$

**THEOREM 3.10.** *If  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -connected space, then it is a soft connected.*

*Proof.* Suppose  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  not  $sSb^*$ -disconnected. Therefore,  $\exists$  nonnull soft sets  $(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  and  $(\mathcal{S}, \wp)$ , where  $\mathcal{W} = (\mathcal{L}, \wp) \cup (\mathcal{S}, \wp) \ni cl(\mathcal{L}, \wp) \cap (\mathcal{S}, \wp) = \phi$  and  $(\mathcal{L}, \wp) \cap cl(\mathcal{S}, \wp) = \phi$ . Since  $sSb^*cl(\mathcal{L}, \wp) \subseteq cl(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$ . Thus,  $sSb^*cl(\mathcal{L}, \wp) \cap (\mathcal{S}, \wp) \subseteq cl(\mathcal{L}, \wp) \cap (\mathcal{S}, \wp) = \phi$ . Hence,  $sSb^*cl(\mathcal{L}, \wp) \cap (\mathcal{S}, \wp) = \phi$ . Similarly,  $(\mathcal{L}, \wp) \cap sSb^*cl(\mathcal{S}, \wp) = \phi$ . Hence,  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  is a  $sSb^*$ -disconnected. So, is a contradiction. Therefore,  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{Q}, \wp)$  is a soft connected.  $\square$

**THEOREM 3.11.** *If  $\Omega : \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \Sigma$  be a  $sSb^*$ -continuous surjection and  $\mathcal{W}$  is a  $sSb^*$ -connected space, then  $\Sigma$  is soft connected.*

*Proof.* Assume that  $\Sigma$  is not soft connected. Let  $\Sigma = (\Psi, \wp) \cup (\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  where  $(\Psi, \wp)$  and  $(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  are disjoint nonempty soft open sets in  $\Sigma$ . Since  $\Omega$  is a  $sSb^*$ -continuous and onto,  $\mathcal{W} = \Omega^{-1}(\Psi, \wp) \cup \Omega^{-1}(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  where  $\Omega^{-1}(\Psi, \wp)$  and  $\Omega^{-1}(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  are disjoint nonempty  $sSb^*$ -open sets in  $\mathcal{W}$ , which is contradiction to  $\mathcal{W}$  is a  $sSb^*$ -connected. Therefore,  $\Sigma$  is a soft connected.  $\square$

**THEOREM 3.12.** *If  $\Omega : \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \Sigma$  is a  $sSb^*$ -irresolute surjection and  $\mathcal{W}$  is a  $sSb^*$ -connected, then  $\Sigma$  is a  $sSb^*$ -connected.*

*Proof.* Assume  $\Sigma$  is not  $sSb^*$ -connected and  $\Sigma = (\Psi, \wp) \cup (\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  where  $(\Psi, \wp)$  and  $(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  are disjoint nonempty  $sSb^*$ -open sets in  $\Sigma$ . Since  $\Omega$  is a  $sSb^*$ -irresolute and onto,  $\mathcal{W} = \Omega^{-1}(\Psi, \wp) \cup \Omega^{-1}(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  where  $\Omega^{-1}(\Psi, \wp)$  and  $\Omega^{-1}(\mathcal{L}, \wp)$  are disjoint nonempty  $sSb^*$ -open sets in  $\mathcal{W}$ , which is contradiction to  $\mathcal{W}$  is a  $sSb^*$ -connected. Therefore,  $\Sigma$  is a  $sSb^*$ -connected.  $\square$

**4. Conclusion.** In this article, we presented some of conception of soft sets and soft topological spaces are investigated. The basis of paper is to establish and introduce soft compactness and soft Lindelöfness, namely,  $sSb^*$ -compactness,  $sSb^*$ -Lindelöfness. Examining some properties of these spaces allows us to prove some of our results and varied introduce the relationship between spaces and illustrate our main findings. Moreover, We define and explore the soft strongly  $b^*$ -connected spaces and discuss its relation with soft connectedness spaces. Also, the properties of  $sSb^*$ -connected and  $sSb^*$ -disconnected with examples are studied.

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