

ON FUZZY UPPER AND LOWER WEAKLY e^* -CONTINUOUS MULTIFUNCTIONS

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Abstract

In this paper, we introduce the concepts of fuzzy upper and fuzzy lower weakly e^* -continuous multifunction on fuzzy topological spaces in Šostak sense. Several characterizations and properties of fuzzy upper (resp. lower) weakly e^* -continuous multifunctions are presented and their mutual relationships are established in L -fuzzy topological spaces.

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1. Introduction

Kubiak [16] and Šostak [24] introduced the notion of (L-)fuzzy topological space as a generalization of L-topological spaces (originally called (L-) fuzzy topological spaces by Chang [6] and Goguen [9]). It is the grade of openness of an L-fuzzy set. A general approach to the study of topological type structures on fuzzy powersets was developed in ([10-12], [16], [17], [24-26]).

Berge [5] introduced the concept multimapping $F : X \multimap Y$ where X and Y are topological spaces and Popa [22,23] introduced the notion of irresolute multimapping. After Chang introduced the concept of fuzzy topology [6], continuity of multifunctions in fuzzy topological spaces have been defined and studied by many authors from different view points (eg. see [3], [4], [19-21]). Tsiporkova et al., [30,31] introduced the continuity of fuzzy multivalued mappings in the Chang's fuzzy topology [6]. Later, Abbas et al., [1] introduced the concepts of fuzzy upper and fuzzy lower semi-continuous multifunctions in L-fuzzy topological spaces. Recently, Sobana et al. [29] and Vadivel et al. [34] introduced the concept of r -fuzzy e and e^* -open sets and r -fuzzy e and e^* -continuity in Šostak's fuzzy topological spaces.

In this paper, we introduce the concepts of fuzzy upper and fuzzy lower weakly e^* -continuous multifunction on fuzzy topological spaces in Šostak sense. Several characterizations and properties of these multifunctions are presented and their mutual relationships are established in L -fuzzy topological spaces.

Throughout this paper, nonempty sets will be denoted by X, Y etc., $L = [0, 1]$ and $L_0 = (0, 1]$. The family of all fuzzy sets in X is denoted by L^X . The complement of an L -fuzzy set λ is denoted by λ^c . This symbol \multimap for a multifunction.

For $\alpha \in L$, $\bar{\alpha}(x) = \alpha$ for all $x \in X$. A fuzzy point x_t for $t \in L_0$ is an element of L^X such that $x_t(y) = \begin{cases} t & \text{if } y = x \\ 0 & \text{if } y \neq x. \end{cases}$ The family of all fuzzy points in X is denoted by $Pt(X)$. A fuzzy point $x_t \in \lambda$ iff $t \leq \lambda(x)$.

All other notations are standard notations of L -fuzzy set theory.

2. Preliminaries

Definition 2.1 [1] : Let $F : X \multimap Y$, then F is called a fuzzy multifunction (FM, for short) if and only if $F(x) \in L^Y$ for each $x \in X$. The degree of membership of y in $F(x)$

is denoted by $F(x)(y) = G_F(x, y)$ for any $(x, y) \in X \times Y$. The domain of F , denoted by $dom(F)$ and the range of F , denoted by $rng(F)$, for any $x \in X$ and $y \in Y$, are defined by :

$$dom(F)(x) = \bigvee_{y \in Y} G_F(x, y) \quad \text{and} \quad rng(F)(y) = \bigvee_{x \in X} G_F(x, y).$$

Definition 2.2 [1] : Let $F : X \multimap Y$ be a FM. Then F is called:

- (i) Normalized iff for each $x \in X$, there exists $y_0 \in Y$ such that $G_F(x, y_0) = \bar{1}$.
- (ii) A crisp iff $G_F(x, y) = \bar{1}$ for each $x \in X$ and $y \in Y$.

Definition 2.3 [1] : Let $F : X \multimap Y$ be a FM. Then

- (i) The image of $\lambda \in L^X$ is an L -fuzzy set $F(\lambda) \in L^Y$ defined by

$$F(\lambda)(y) = \bigvee_{x \in X} [G_F(x, y) \wedge \lambda(x)].$$

- (ii) The lower inverse of $\mu \in L^Y$ is an L -fuzzy set $F^l(\mu) \in L^X$ defined by

$$F^l(\mu)(x) = \bigvee_{y \in Y} [G_F(x, y) \wedge \mu(y)].$$

- (iii) The upper inverse of $\mu \in L^Y$ is an L -fuzzy set $F^u(\mu) \in L^X$ defined by

$$F^u(\mu)(x) = \bigwedge_{y \in Y} [G_F^c(x, y) \vee \mu(y)].$$

Theorem 2.1 [1] : Let $F : X \multimap Y$ be a FM. Then

- (i) $F(\lambda_1) \leq F(\lambda_2)$ if $\lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2$.
- (ii) $F^l(\mu_1) \leq F^l(\mu_2)$ and $F^u(\mu_1) \leq F^u(\mu_2)$ if $\mu_1 \leq \mu_2$.
- (iii) $F^l(\mu^c) = (F^u(\mu))^c$.
- (iv) $F^u(\mu^c) = (F^l(\mu))^c$.
- (v) $F(F^u(\mu)) \leq \mu$ if F is a crisp.
- (vi) $F^u(F(\lambda)) \geq \lambda$ if F is a crisp.

Definition 2.4 [1] : Let $F : X \multimap Y$ and $H : Y \multimap Z$ be two FM. Then the composition $H \circ F$ is defined by

$$((H \circ F)(x))(z) = \bigvee_{y \in Y} [G_F(x, y) \wedge G_H(y, z)].$$

Theorem 2.2 [1] : Let $F : X \multimap Y$ and $H : Y \multimap Z$ be FM. Then we have the following

- (i) $(H \circ F) = F(H)$.
- (ii) $(H \circ F)^u = F^u(H^u)$.
- (iii) $(H \circ F)^l = F^l(H^l)$.

Theorem 2.3 [1] : Let $F_i : X \multimap Y$ be a FM. Then we have the following

- (i) $(\bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} F_i)(\lambda) = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} F_i(\lambda)$.
- (ii) $(\bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} F_i)^l(\mu) = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} F_i^l(\mu)$.
- (iii) $(\bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} F_i)^u(\mu) = \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} F_i^u(\mu)$.

Definition 2.5 [12, 16, 18, 24] : An L -fuzzy topological space (L -fts, in short) is a pair (X, τ) , where X is a nonempty set and $\tau : L^X \rightarrow L$ is a mapping satisfying the following properties.

- (1) $\tau(\bar{0}) = \tau(\bar{1}) = 1$,
- (2) $\tau(\mu_1 \wedge \mu_2) \geq \tau(\mu_1) \wedge \tau(\mu_2)$, for any $\mu_1, \mu_2 \in I^X$.
- (3) $\tau(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i) \geq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \tau(\mu_i)$, for any $\{\mu_i\}_{i \in \Gamma} \subset I^X$,

Then τ is called an L -fuzzy topology on X . For every $\lambda \in L^X$, $\tau(\lambda)$ is called the degree of openness of the L -fuzzy set λ .

A mapping $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \eta)$ is said to be continuous with respect to L -fuzzy topologies τ and η iff $\tau(f^{-1}(\mu)) \geq \eta(\mu)$ for each $\mu \in L^Y$.

Theorem 2.4 [7, 14, 15, 18] : Let (X, τ) be a an L -fts. Then for each $\lambda \in L^X$, $r \in L_0$, we define L -fuzzy operators C_τ and $I_\tau : L^X \times L_0 \rightarrow L^X$ as follows:

$$C_\tau(\lambda, r) = \bigwedge \{\mu \in L^X : \lambda \leq \mu, \tau(\bar{1} - \mu) \geq r\}.$$

$$I_\tau(\lambda, r) = \bigvee \{\mu \in L^X : \lambda \geq \mu, \tau(\mu) \geq r\}.$$

For $\lambda, \mu \in L^X$ and $r, s \in L_0$, the operator C_τ satisfies the following conditions:

- (1) $C_\tau(\bar{0}, r) = \bar{0}$,
- (2) $\lambda \leq C_\tau(\lambda, r)$,
- (3) $C_\tau(\lambda, r) \vee C_\tau(\mu, r) = C_\tau(\lambda \vee \mu, r)$,
- (4) $C_\tau(C_\tau(\lambda, r), r) = C_\tau(\lambda, r)$,
- (5) $C_\tau(\lambda, r) = \lambda$ iff $\tau(\lambda^c) \geq r$.
- (6) $C_\tau(\lambda^c, r) = (I_\tau(\lambda, r))^c$ and $I_\tau(\lambda^c, r) = (C_\tau(\lambda, r))^c$.

Definition 2.6 [1] : Let $F : X \multimap Y$ be a FM between two L -fts's (X, τ) , (Y, η) and $r \in L_0$. Then F is called:

- (i) Fuzzy upper semi (or Fuzzy upper) (in short, FUS (or FU))-continuous at a L -fuzzy point $x_t \in \text{dom}(F)$ iff $x_t \in F^u(\mu)$ for each $\mu \in L^Y$ and $\eta(\mu) \geq r$, there exists $\lambda \in L^X$, $\tau(\lambda) \geq r$ and $x_t \in \lambda$ such that $\lambda \wedge \text{dom}(F) \leq F^u(\mu)$. F is FU -continuous iff it is FU -continuous at every $x_t \in \text{dom}(F)$.
- (ii) Fuzzy lower semi (or Fuzzy lower) (in short, FLS (or FL))-continuous at a L -fuzzy point $x_t \in \text{dom}(F)$ iff $x_t \in F^l(\mu)$ for each $\mu \in L^Y$ and $\eta(\mu) \geq r$, there exists $\lambda \in L^X$, $\tau(\lambda) \geq r$ and $x_t \in \lambda$ such that $\lambda \leq F^l(\mu)$. F is FL -continuous iff it is FL -continuous at every $x_t \in \text{dom}(F)$.
- (iii) Fuzzy continuous if it is FU -continuous and FL -continuous.

Theorem 2.5 [1] : Let $F : X \multimap Y$ be a fuzzy multifunction between two L -fts's (X, τ) and (Y, η) . Let $\mu \in L^Y$. Then we have the following

- (1) F is FL -continuous iff $\tau(F^l(\mu)) \geq \eta(\mu)$.
- (2) If F is normlized, then F is FU -continuous iff $\tau(F^u(\mu)) \geq \eta(\mu)$.
- (3) F is FL -continuous iff $\tau(\bar{1} - F^u(\mu)) \geq \eta(\bar{1} - \mu)$.
- (4) If F is normalized, then F is FU -continuous iff $\tau(\bar{1} - F^l(\mu)) \geq \eta(\bar{1} - \mu)$.

Definition 2.7 [13] : Let (X, τ) be a fts. For $\lambda, \mu \in I^X$ and $r \in I_0$, λ is called r -fuzzy regular open (for short, r -fro) (resp. r -fuzzy regular closed (for short, r -frc)) if $\lambda = I_\tau(C_\tau(\lambda, r), r)$ (resp. $\lambda = C_\tau(I_\tau(\lambda, r), r)$).

Definition 2.8 [13] : Let (X, τ) be a fts. Then for each $\mu \in I^X$, $x_t \in P_t(X)$ and $r \in I_0$,

- (i) μ is called r -open Q_τ -neighbourhood of x_t if $x_t q \mu$ with $\tau(\mu) \geq r$.
- (ii) μ is called r -open R_τ -neighbourhood of x_t if $x_t q \mu$ with $\mu = I_\tau(C_\tau(\mu, r), r)$.

We denoted

$$Q_\tau(x_t, r) = \{\mu \in I^X : x_t q \mu, \tau(\mu) \geq r\},$$

$$R_\tau(x_t, r) = \{\mu \in I^X : x_t q \mu, \mu = I_\tau(C_\tau(\mu, r), r)\}.$$

Definition 2.9 [13] : Let (X, τ) be a fts. Then for each $\lambda \in I^X$, $x_t \in P_t(X)$ and $r \in I_0$,

- (i) x_t is called r - τ cluster point of λ if for every $\mu \in Q_\tau(x_t, r)$, we have $\mu q \lambda$.
- (ii) x_t is called r - δ cluster point of λ if for every $\mu \in R_\tau(x_t, r)$, we have $\mu q \lambda$.
- (iii) An δ -closure operator is a mapping $D_\tau : I^X \times I \rightarrow I^X$ defined as follows: $\delta C_\tau(\lambda, r)$ or $D_\tau(\lambda, r) = \bigvee \{x_t \in P_t(X) : x_t \text{ is } r\text{-}\delta\text{-cluster point of } \lambda\}$.
Equivalently, $\delta C_\tau(\lambda, r) = \bigwedge \{\mu \in I^X : \mu \geq \lambda, \mu \text{ is a } r\text{-frc set}\}$ and $\delta I_\tau(\lambda, r) = \bigvee \{\mu \in I^X : \mu \leq \lambda, \mu \text{ is a } r\text{-fro set}\}$.

Definition 2.10 [13] : Let (X, τ) be a fuzzy topological space. For $\lambda \in I^X$ and $r \in I_0$, λ is called r -fuzzy δ -closed iff $\lambda = \delta C_\tau(\lambda, r)$ or $D_\tau(\lambda, r)$.

Definition 2.11 [2] : Let $F : X \dashrightarrow Y$ be a FM between two L -fts's (X, τ) , (Y, η) and $r \in L_0$. Then F is called:

- (i) Fuzzy upper almost continuous (FUA -continuous, in short) at any L -fuzzy point $x_t \in \text{dom}(F)$ iff $x_t \in F^u(\mu)$ for each $\mu \in L^Y$ and $\eta(\mu) \geq r$, there exists $\lambda \in L^X$, $\tau(\lambda) \geq r$ and $x_t \in \lambda$ such that $\lambda \wedge \text{dom}(F) \leq F^u(I_\eta(C_\eta(\mu, r), r))$.
- (ii) Fuzzy lower almost continuous (FLA -continuous, in short) at any L -fuzzy point $x_t \in \text{dom}(F)$ iff $x_t \in F^l(\mu)$ for each $\mu \in L^Y$ and $\eta(\mu) \geq r$, there exists $\lambda \in L^X$, $\tau(\lambda) \geq r$ and $x_t \in \lambda$ such that $\lambda \leq F^l(I_\eta(C_\eta(\mu, r), r))$.

- (iii) FUA -continuous (resp. FLA -continuous) iff it is FUA -continuous (resp. FLA -continuous) at every $x_t \in \text{dom}(F)$.

Definition 2.12 [2] : Let $F : X \multimap Y$ be a FM between L -fts's (X, τ) , (Y, η) and $r \in L_0$. Then F is called.

- (i) Fuzzy upper weakly continuous (FUW -continuous, for short) at an L -fuzzy point $x_t \in \text{dom}(F)$ iff $x_t \in F^u(\mu)$ for each $\mu \in L^Y$ and $\eta(\mu) \geq r$ there exists $\lambda \in L^X$, $\tau(\lambda) \geq r$ and $x_t \in \lambda$ such that $\lambda \wedge \text{dom}(F) \leq F^u(C_\eta(\mu, r))$
- (ii) Fuzzy lower weakly continuous (FLW -continuous, for short) at an L -fuzzy point $x_t \in \text{dom}(F)$ iff $x_t \in F^l(\mu)$ each $\mu \in L^Y$ and $\eta(\mu) \geq r$ there exists $\lambda \in L^X$, $\tau(\lambda) \geq r$ and $x_t \in \lambda$ such that $\lambda \wedge \text{dom}(F) \leq F^l(C_\eta(\mu, r))$
- (iii) FUW -continuous (resp. FLW -continuous) iff it is FUW -continuous (resp. FLW -continuous) at every $x_t \in \text{dom}(F)$.

Definition 2.13 [29] : Let (X, τ) be a an L -fts. Then for each $\lambda, \mu \in L^X$, $r \in L_0$. Then λ is called

- (1) λ is called an r -fuzzy e -open (briefly, r -feo) set if $\lambda \leq C_\tau(\delta_\tau(\lambda, r), r) \vee I_\tau(\delta C_\tau(\lambda, r), r)$.
- (2) λ is called an r -fuzzy e -closed (briefly, r -fec) set if $C_\tau(\delta I_\tau(\lambda, r), r) \wedge I_\tau(\delta C_\tau(\lambda, r), r) \leq \lambda$.

Definition 2.14 [29] : Let (X, τ) be an L -fts. Then for each $\lambda, \mu \in L^X$, $r \in L_0$. Then λ is called

- (i) $eI_\tau(\lambda, r) = \bigvee \{ \mu \in I^X : \mu \leq \lambda, \mu \text{ is a } r\text{-feo set} \}$ is called the r -fuzzy e -interior of λ .
- (ii) $eC_\tau(\lambda, r) = \bigwedge \{ \mu \in I^X : \mu \geq \lambda, \mu \text{ is a } r\text{-fec set} \}$ is called the r -fuzzy e -closure of λ .

Definition 2.15 [27] : Let $F : X \multimap Y$ be a FM between two L -fts's (X, τ) , (Y, η) and $r \in L_0$. Then F is called:

- (i) Fuzzy upper almost e^* -continuous ($FUAe^*$ -continuous, in short) at any L -fuzzy point $x_t \in \text{dom}(F)$ iff $x_t \in F^u(\mu)$ for each $\mu \in L^Y$ and $\eta(\mu) \geq r$, there exist r -fe*o set $\lambda \in L^X$ and $x_t \in \lambda$ such that $\lambda \wedge \text{dom}(F) \leq F^u(I_\eta(C_\eta(\mu, r), r))$.

- (ii) Fuzzy lower almost e^* -continuous ($FLAe^*$ -continuous, in short) at any L -fuzzy point $x_t \in \text{dom}(F)$ iff $x_t \in F^l(\mu)$ for each $\mu \in L^Y$ and $\eta(\mu) \geq r$, there exist r -fe*o set $\lambda \in L^X$ and $x_t \in \lambda$ such that $\lambda \leq F^l(I_\eta(C_\eta(\mu, r), r))$.
- (iii) $FUAe^*$ -continuous (resp. $FLAe^*$ -continuous) iff it is $FUAe^*$ -continuous (resp. $FLAe^*$ -continuous) at every $x_t \in \text{dom}(F)$.

3. Fuzzy Upper and Lower Weakly e^* -continuous Multifunctions

Definition 3.1 : Let $F : X \dashrightarrow Y$ be a FM between two L -fts's (X, τ) , (Y, η) and $r \in L_0$. Then F is called.

- (i) Fuzzy upper weakly e^* -continuous ($FUWe^*$ -continuous, in short) at an L -fuzzy point $x_t \in \text{dom}(F)$ iff $x_t \in F^u(\mu)$ for each $\mu \in L^Y$ and $\eta(\mu) \geq r$, there exist r -fe*o-set $\lambda \in L^X$ and $x_t \in \lambda$ such that $\lambda \wedge \text{dom}(F) \leq F^u(C_\eta(\mu, r))$.
- (ii) Fuzzy lower weakly e^* -continuous ($FLWe^*$ -continuous, in short) at an L -fuzzy point $x_t \in \text{dom}(F)$ iff $x_t \in F^l(\mu)$ for each $\mu \in L^Y$ and $\eta(\mu) \geq r$, there exist r -fe*o-set $\lambda \in L^X$ and $x_t \in \lambda$ such that $\lambda \leq F^l(C_\eta(\mu, r))$.
- (iii) $FUWe^*$ -continuous (resp. $FLWe^*$ -continuous) iff it is $FUWe^*$ -continuous (resp. $FLWe^*$ -continuous) at every $x_t \in \text{dom}(F)$.

Proposition 3.1 : If F is normalized, then F is $FUWe^*$ -continuous at an L -fuzzy point $x_t \in \text{dom}(F)$ iff $x_t \in F^u(\mu)$ for each $\mu \in L^Y$ and $\eta(\mu) \geq r$, there exists r -fe*o-set $\lambda \in L^X$ and $x_t \in \lambda$ such that $\lambda \leq F^u(C_\eta(\mu, r))$.

Theorem 3.1 : Let $F : X \dashrightarrow Y$ be a FM between two L -fts's (X, τ) and (Y, η) . Then F is $FLWe^*$ -continuous if and only if $F^l(\mu) \leq e^*I_\tau(F^l(C_\eta(\mu, r)), r)$ for any $\mu \in L^Y$ and $\eta(\mu) \geq r$.

Proof : Let F be $FLWe^*$ -continuous, $\mu \in L^Y$ and $\eta(\mu) \geq r$. If $x_t \in F^l(\mu)$, then there exists r -fe*o set $\lambda \in L^X$ and $x_t \in \lambda$ such that $\lambda \leq F^l(C_\eta(\mu, r))$ and hence $\lambda \leq e^*I_\tau(F^l(C_\eta(\mu, r)), r)$. Thus $F^l(\mu) \leq e^*I_\tau(C_\eta(\mu, r), r)$.

Conversely, let $x_t \in \text{dom}(F)$, $\mu \in L^Y$, $\eta(\mu) \geq r$ and $x_t \in F^l(\mu)$. Then

$$x_t \in F^l(\mu) \leq e^*I_\tau(F^l(C_\eta(\mu, r)), r) = \lambda \text{ (say)}.$$

Thus, $x_t \in \lambda$ and λ is r - fe^* o set such that

$$\lambda = e^*I_\tau(F^l(C_\eta(\mu, r)), r) \leq F^l(C_\eta(\mu, r)).$$

Hence, F is $FLWe^*$ -continuous. \square

Theorem 3.2 : Let $F : X \multimap Y$ be a FM and normalized between two L -fts's $(X, \tau), (Y, \eta)$. Then F is $FUWe^*$ -continuous if and only if $F^u(\mu) \leq e^*I_\tau(F^u(C_\eta(\mu, r)), r)$ for any $\mu \in L^Y$ and $\eta(\mu) \geq r$.

Proof : This can be proved in a similar way as the above Theorem 3.1 \square

Remark 3.1 : The following implications hold.

(i) FUW -continuous $\Rightarrow FUWe^*$ -continuous.

(ii) FLW -continuous $\Rightarrow FLWe^*$ -continuous.

The converse of the above Remark 3.1 need not be true as shown by the following examples.

Example 3.1 : Let $X = \{x_1, x_2\}$, $Y = \{y_1, y_2, y_3\}$ and $F : X \multimap Y$ be a FM defined by $G_F(x_1, y_1) = 0.8$, $G_F(x_1, y_2) = 0.9$, $G_F(x_1, y_3) = 0.8$, $G_F(x_2, y_1) = \bar{1}$, $G_F(x_2, y_2) = 0.7$, and $G_F(x_2, y_3) = 0.9$. Let λ_1 and λ_2 be a fuzzy subsets of X be defined as follows: $\lambda_1(x_1) = 0.3$, $\lambda_1(x_2) = 0.1$; $\lambda_2(x_1) = 0.7$, $\lambda_2(x_2) = 0.7$ and μ be a fuzzy subset of Y defined as $\mu(y_1) = 0.3$, $\mu(y_2) = 0.1$, $\mu(y_3) = 0.2$. We assume that $\bar{1} = 1$ and $\bar{0} = 0$. Define L -fuzzy topologies $\tau : L^X \rightarrow L$ and $\eta : L^Y \rightarrow L$ as follows:

$$\tau(\lambda) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \lambda = \bar{0} \text{ or } \bar{1}, \\ \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } \lambda = \lambda_1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad \eta(\mu) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \mu = \bar{0} \text{ or } \bar{1}, \\ \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } \mu = \mu, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

are fuzzy topologies on X and Y . For $r = \frac{1}{2}$, then F is $FUWe^*$ -continuous but not FUW -continuous because μ is $\frac{1}{2}$ -fuzzy open set in Y , $F^u(C_\eta(\mu, r)) = \lambda_2$ is not $\frac{1}{2}$ -fuzzy open set in X .

Example 3.2 : Let $X = \{x_1, x_2\}$, $Y = \{y_1, y_2, y_3\}$ and $F : X \multimap Y$ be a FM defined by $G_F(x_1, y_1) = 0.2$, $G_F(x_1, y_2) = \bar{1}$, $G_F(x_1, y_3) = \bar{0}$, $G_F(x_2, y_1) = 0.5$, $G_F(x_2, y_2) = \bar{0}$, and $G_F(x_2, y_3) = 0.3$. Let λ_1 and λ_2 be a fuzzy subsets of X be defined as follows: $\lambda_1(x_1) = 0.4$, $\lambda_1(x_2) = 0.3$; $\lambda_2(x_1) = 0.9$, $\lambda_2(x_2) = 0.5$ and μ be

a fuzzy subset of Y defined as $\mu(y_1) = 0.4$, $\mu(y_2) = 0.1$, $\mu(y_3) = 0.1$. We assume that $\bar{1} = 1$ and $\bar{0} = 0$. Define L -fuzzy topologies $\tau : L^X \rightarrow L$ and $\eta : L^Y \rightarrow L$ as follows:

$$\tau(\lambda) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \lambda = \bar{0} \text{ or } \bar{1}, \\ \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } \lambda = \lambda_1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad \eta(\mu) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \mu = \bar{0} \text{ or } \bar{1}, \\ \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } \mu = \mu, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

are fuzzy topologies on X and Y . For $r = \frac{1}{2}$, then F is $FLW e^*$ -continuous but not FLW -continuous because μ is $\frac{1}{2}$ -fuzzy open set in Y , $F^l(C_\eta(\mu, r)) = \lambda_2$ is not $\frac{1}{2}$ -fuzzy open set in X .

Remark 3.2 : The following implications hold.

- (i) FUA -continuous $\Rightarrow FUA e^*$ -continuous.
- (ii) FLA -continuous $\Rightarrow FLA e^*$ -continuous.

The converse of the above Remark ?? need not be true as shown by the following example.

Example 3.3 : Let $X = \{x_1, x_2\}$, $Y = \{y_1, y_2, y_3\}$ and $F : X \rightarrow Y$ be a FM defined by $G_F(x_1, y_1) = 0.1$, $G_F(x_1, y_2) = \bar{1}$, $G_F(x_1, y_3) = 0$, $G_F(x_2, y_1) = 0.5$, $G_F(x_2, y_2) = \bar{0}$, and $G_F(x_2, y_3) = \bar{1}$. Let λ_1 and λ_2 be a fuzzy subsets of X be defined as $\lambda_1(x_1) = 0.3$, $\lambda_1(x_2) = 0.5$; $\lambda_2(x_1) = 0.5$, $\lambda_2(x_2) = 0.5$, μ_1 and μ_2 be a fuzzy subsets of Y defined as $\mu_1(y_1) = 0.5$, $\mu_1(y_2) = 0.5$, $\mu_1(y_3) = 0.5$ and $\mu_2(y_1) = 0.4$, $\mu_2(y_2) = 0.4$, $\mu_2(y_3) = 0.4$. We assume that $\bar{1} = 1$ and $\bar{0} = 0$. Define L -fuzzy topologies $\tau : L^X \rightarrow L$ and $\eta : L^Y \rightarrow L$ as follows:

$$\tau(\lambda) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \lambda = \bar{0} \text{ or } \bar{1}, \\ \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } \lambda = \lambda_1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad \eta(\mu) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \mu = \bar{0} \text{ or } \bar{1}, \\ \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } \mu = \mu_1, \mu_2, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

are fuzzy topologies on X and Y . For $r = \frac{1}{2}$, then F is

- (i) $FUA e$ -continuous but not FUA -continuous because μ_1 is $\frac{1}{2}$ -fro set in Y , $F^u(\mu_1) = \lambda_2$ is not $\frac{1}{2}$ -fuzzy open set in X .
- (ii) $FLA e$ -continuous but not FLA -continuous because μ_1 is $\frac{1}{2}$ -fro set in Y , $F^l(\mu_1) = \lambda_2$ is not $\frac{1}{2}$ -fuzzy open set in X .

Theorem 3.3 : Let $\{F_i\}_{i \in \Gamma}$ be a family of $FLA e^*$ -continuous between two L -fts's (X, τ) and (Y, η) . Then $\bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} F_i$ is $FLA e^*$ -continuous.

Proof : Let $\mu \in L^Y$, then

$$\left(\bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} F_i\right)^l(\mu) = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (F_i^l(\mu)),$$

by Theorem 2.3 (ii). Since $\{F_i\}_{i \in \Gamma}$ is a family of $FLAe^*$ -continuous between two L -fts's (X, τ) and (Y, η) , then $F_i^l(\mu)$ is r -fe*o set for any r -fro set μ and each $i \in \Gamma$. Then, we have $(\bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} F_i)^l(\mu) = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (F_i^l(\mu))$ is r -fe*o set for any r -fro set μ . Hence $\bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} F_i$ is $FLAe^*$ -continuous. \square

Theorem 3.4 : Let F_1 and F_2 be two normalized $FUAe^*$ -continuous between two L -fts's (X, τ) and (Y, η) . Then $F_1 \cup F_2$ is $FUAe^*$ -continuous.

Proof : Let $\mu \in L^Y$, then $(F_1 \cup F_2)^u(\mu) = F_1^u(\mu) \wedge F_2^u(\mu)$ by Theorem 2.3(iii). Since F_1 and F_2 be two normalized $FUAe^*$ -continuous between two L -fts's (X, τ) and (Y, η) , then $F_i^u(\mu)$ is r -fe*o-set for any r -fro set μ and $i \in \{1, 2\}$. Then, we have $(F_1 \cup F_2)^u(\mu) = F_1^u(\mu) \wedge F_2^u(\mu)$ is r -fe*o-set for each r -fro set μ . Hence $F_1 \cup F_2$ is $FUAe^*$ -continuous. \square

Theorem 3.5 : Let $F : X \dashv\vdash Y$ and $H : Y \dashv\vdash Z$ be two FM's and let (X, τ) , (Y, η) and (Z, δ) be three L -fts's. If F is FLe^* -continuous and H is FLA -continuous, then $H \circ F$ is $FLAe^*$ -continuous.

Proof : Let $\nu \in L^Z$, ν is r -fro set. Since H is FLA -continuous, then from Definition 2.11, $H^l(\nu)$ is r -fuzzy open set in Y . Also, F is FLe^* -continuous $F^l(H^l(\nu))$ is r -fe*o set in Y . Hence, we have $(H \circ F)^l(\nu) = F^l(H^l(\nu))$ is r -fe*o. Thus $H \circ F$ is $FLAe^*$ -continuous. \square

Theorem 3.6 : Let $F : X \dashv\vdash Y$ and $H : Y \dashv\vdash Z$ be two FM's and let (X, τ) , (Y, η) and (Z, δ) be three L -fts's. If F and H are normalized, F is FUE^* -continuous and H is FUA -continuous, then $H \circ F$ is $FUAe^*$ -continuous.

Proof : Proof is similar to the above Theorem 3.5. \square

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