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# FUZZY PREOPEN SETS AND FUZZY PRE-CONTINUITY

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#### Abstract

In the present paper, we introduce fuzzy preopen (closed) sets and fuzzy pre-continuity in Sostak fuzzy topological space. Also we investigate their significant characteristic properties. **2010 Mathematics Subject Classifications:** 54A40.

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### **1** Introduction

The concept of fuzzy sets was introduced by Zadeh [9] and later Chang [2] defined fuzzy topological spaces. Sostak [8] introduced a new fuzzy topological space exploiting the idea of partial openness of fuzzy sets. This generalized fuzzy topological space was later rephrased by Chattopadhyay et.al. [3]. Several mathematicians have worked on this space (see [4], [5]).

The concepts of fuzzy preopen sets, fuzzy strong preopen sets and strong pre continuity (see [6], [7]) have been introduced in case of classical fuzzy topological spaces introduced by Chang [2]. In the present paper, we introduce fuzzy preopen (closed) sets and fuzzy pre continuity in the Sostak fuzzy topological space redefined by Chattopdhyay [3]. Further we establish their significant properties.

## 2 Preliminaries

Let *X* be a non-empty set and  $I \equiv [0, 1]$  be the unit closed interval of real line. Let  $I^X$  denote the set of all fuzzy sets on *X*. A fuzzy set *A* on *X* is a mapping  $A : X \to I$ , where for any  $x \in X$ , A(x) denotes the degree of membership of element *x* in fuzzy set *A*. The null fuzzy set 0 and whole fuzzy set 1 are the constant mappings from *X* to {0} and {1} respectively.

A family  $\tau$  of fuzzy sets on X is called a fuzzy topology (see [2]) on X if (i) 0 and 1 belong to  $\tau$ , (ii) Any union of members of  $\tau$  is in  $\tau$ , (iii) a finite intersection of members of  $\tau$  is in  $\tau$ . The system consisting of X equipped with fuzzy topology  $\tau$  defined on it, is called a fuzzy topological space and is denoted as  $(X, \tau)$ . Now we define the So-fuzzy topological space (see [3], [8]).

A So-fuzzy topology on a non-empty set X is a family  $\tau$  of fuzzy sets on X satisfying the following axioms with respect to a mapping  $\tau : I^X \to I$  such that

1.  $\tau(0) = \tau(1) = 1;$ 

2.  $\tau(A \cap B) \ge \tau(A) \land \tau(B)$ ; for any  $A, B \in I^X$ ;

3.  $\tau(\bigcup_{i \in J} A_i) \ge \wedge_{i \in J} \tau(A_i)$ , for any arbitrary family  $\{A_i : i \in J\} \subseteq I^X$ .

The system  $(X, \tau)$  is called So-fuzzy topological space and the real number  $\tau(A)$  is called the degree (or grade) of openness of fuzzy set *A*. We note that

**Proposition 2.1** Let X be a non-empty set. Then the map  $\tau : I^X \to I$  given by  $\tau(0) = 1$  and  $\tau(A) = \inf\{A(x) : x \in suppA\}$ , if  $A \neq 0$ , satisfies the axioms of gradation of openness.

If  $(X, \tau)$  is a So-fuzzy topological space, then we observe that (see [2]) for any  $\rho \in [0, 1]$ , the family  $\tau_{\rho} \equiv \{A \in I^X : \tau(A) \ge \rho\}$  is actually a fuzzy topology in sense of Chang [2] and it is called  $\rho$ -level fuzzy topology on X with respect to the gradation of openness  $\tau$ . All fuzzy sets belonging to  $\tau_{\rho}$  are called fuzzy- $\rho$ -open sets and their complements are called fuzzy- $\rho$ -closed sets.

For any fuzzy set A, the interior and closure of A with respect to  $\tau_{\rho}$  are defined as follows:

 $Int_{\rho}(A) = \bigcup \{ G \in I^X : G \subseteq A \text{ and } G \in \tau_{\rho} \}$ 

 $Cl_{\rho}(A) = \cap \{K \in I^X : A \subseteq K \text{ and } K^c \in \tau_{\rho}\}$ 

## **3** Fuzzy-*ρ*-Pre Open (Closed) Sets

In this section, we define fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre open sets and fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre closed sets in So-fuzzy topological space and investigate their properties.

**Definition 3.1** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a So-fuzzy topological space and  $A \in I^X$  be a fuzzy set. Then for any  $\rho \in I$ , a fuzzy set A is said to be a

(i) Fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre open set in X iff  $A \subseteq Int_{\rho}(Cl_{\rho}(A))$ , (ii) Fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre closed set in X iff  $A \supseteq Cl_{\rho}(Int_{\rho}(A))$ .

Clearly fuzzy sets 0 and 1 are both trivially fuzzy  $\rho$ -pre open as well as fuzzy  $\rho$ -pre closed sets in X.

**Remark 3.1** It is clear that every fuzzy- $\rho$ -open (closed) set is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre open (closed) set, but converse of these may not be true in general.

*Example* 3.1 Let  $X = \{a, b\}$  and  $A, B, C \in I^X$  be fuzzy sets defined as follows:

 $A = \{(a, 0.6), (b, 0.3)\}; \qquad B = \{(a, 0.4), (b, 0.2)\}; \qquad C = \{(a, 0.8), (b, 0.5)\}.$ 

Define a map  $\tau: I^X \to I$  as follows:

 $\tau(F) = \{ \begin{array}{ll} 1, & if \ F = 0, \ 1 \\ 0.3, & if \ F = A \\ 0.2, & if \ F = B \\ 0, & otherwise. \end{array} \right.$ 

Suppose  $\rho = 0.1$ . We see that fuzzy set C is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre open set because  $Int_{\rho}(Cl_{\rho}(C)) = 1 \supseteq C$ . But it is not a fuzzy- $\rho$ -open set (because  $\tau(C) = 0 \neq 0.1$ ).

**Theorem 3.1** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a So-fuzzy topological space. Then for any  $\rho \in I$ ,

- (a) Any union of fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre open sets is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre open set;
- (b) Any intersection of fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre closed sets is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre closed set.

**Proof.** (a) Let  $\{A_i : i \in J\}$  be an arbitrary collection of fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre open sets in So-fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then for each  $i \in J$ , we have  $A_i \subseteq Int_{\rho}(Cl_{\rho}(A_i))$ . Hence

 $\cup_{i\in J} A_i \subseteq \cup_{i\in J} Int_{\rho}(Cl_{\rho}(A_i)) \subseteq Int_{\rho}(\cup_{i\in J} Cl_{\rho}(A_i)) \subseteq Int_{\rho}(Cl_{\rho}(\cup_{i\in J} A_i)).$ 

Thus  $\bigcup_{i \in J} A_i$  is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre open set. We can prove (b) similarly.

**Definition 3.2** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a So-fuzzy topological space and  $A \in I^X$  be a fuzzy set. Then for each  $\rho \in I$ , fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre interior and fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre closure of fuzzy set A denoted as P-int<sub> $\rho$ </sub>(A) and P-cl<sub> $\rho$ </sub>(A) are defined as follows:

 $P - int_{\rho}(A) = \bigcup \{ G \in I^X : G \subseteq A \text{ and } G \text{ is a fuzzy} - \rho - pre \text{ open set in } X \},$ 

 $P - cl_{\rho}(A) = \cap \{K \in I^X : K \supseteq A \text{ and } K \text{ is a } fuzzy - \rho - pre \text{ closed set in } X\}.$ 

**Theorem 3.2** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a So-fuzzy topological space and  $A \in I^X$  be a fuzzy set. Then for any  $\rho \in I$ ,

(*i*) P- $cl_{\rho}(1 - A) = 1 - P$ - $int_{\rho}(A)$ ,

(*ii*) P-*int*<sub> $\rho$ </sub>(1 - A) = 1 - P-*cl*<sub> $\rho$ </sub>(A).

**Proof.** (i) Suppose  $\{G_i\}_{i \in J}$  is the family of all fuzzy- $\rho$ -preopen sets in X contained in A. Then

$$P - int_{\rho}(A) = \bigcup_{i \in J} G_i = 1 - \bigcap_{i \in J} G_i^c$$

Since  $G_i \subseteq A$ , we have  $G_i^c \supseteq A^c$ ,  $\forall i \in J$ . Thus  $\{G_i^c\}_{i \in J}$  is the collection of all fuzzy- $\rho$ -preclosed sets containing  $A^c$ . Hence  $\bigcap_{i \in J} G_i^c = P - cl_\rho(A^c) = P - cl_\rho(1 - A)$ . Thus  $P - int_\rho(A) = 1 - P - cl_\rho(1 - A)$ . Hence  $P - cl_\rho(1 - A) = 1 - P - int_\rho(A)$ . **Proof.** (ii) It can be proved in a similar manner.

**Theorem 3.3** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a So-fuzzy topological space. Then for any  $\rho \in I$ , a fuzzy set  $A \in I^X$  is a

(a) Fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre open set iff P-int $_{\rho}(A) = A$ ;

(b) Fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre closed set iff P- $cl_{\rho}(A) = A$ .

**Proof.** (a) Let A be fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre open set in X. Let  $\{G_i\}_{i \in J}$  be the family of all fuzzy  $\rho$ -pre open sets contained in A. Since each  $G_i \subseteq A$ ,  $i \in J$ , we have  $\bigcup_{i \in J} G_i \subseteq A$ . Therefore

(3.1)  $P - int_{\rho} = \bigcup_{i \in J} \{G_i \in I^X : G_i \subseteq A \text{ and } G_i \text{ is a fuzzy } -\rho - preopenset\} \subseteq A.$ 

Since  $A \subseteq A$  and A is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -preopen set in X, hence  $A \in \{G_i\}_{i \in J}$ . Therefore

(3.2)  $A \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in J} G_i \equiv P - int_{\rho}(A).$ 

From equations (3.3.1) and (3.3.2),  $A = P - int_{\rho}(A)$ .

Conversely; suppose A is a fuzzy set in So-fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau)$  such that A = P-int<sub> $\rho$ </sub>(A). Then

(3.3)  $A = P - int_{\rho}(A) = \bigcup \{G_i \in I^X : G_i \subseteq A \text{ and } G_i \text{ is a fuzzy } -\rho - \text{ pre open set} \}.$ 

Since any union of fuzzy- $\rho$ -preopen sets is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -preopen set, in view of (3.3.3), set A is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre open set in X.

*Proof.* (b) This can be proved in a similar manner.

**Theorem 3.4** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a So-fuzzy topological space. Then for any  $\rho \in I$ , the following properties hold for fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre closure:

(i)  $P - cl_{\rho}(0) = 0$ ; (ii)  $P - cl_{\rho}(A)$  is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre closed set in X; (iii)  $P - cl_{\rho}(A) \subseteq P - cl_{\rho}(B)$ , if  $A \subseteq B$ ; (iv)  $P - cl_{\rho}(P - cl_{\rho}(A)) = P - cl_{\rho}(A)$ ; (v)  $P - cl_{\rho}(A \cup B) \supseteq P - cl_{\rho}(A) \cup P - cl_{\rho}(B)$ ; (vi)  $P - cl_{\rho}(A \cap B) \subseteq P - cl_{\rho}(A) \cap P - cl_{\rho}(B)$ .

*Proof.* It is easy to prove.

**Theorem 3.5** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a So-fuzzy topological space and A,  $B \in I^X$  be fuzzy sets. Then for any  $\rho \in I$ ,

(i)  $P \operatorname{-int}_{\rho}(1) = 1;$ (ii)  $P \operatorname{-int}_{\rho}(A)$  is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre open set in X; (iii)  $P \operatorname{-int}_{\rho}(A) \subseteq P \operatorname{-int}_{\rho}(B),$  if  $A \subseteq B;$ (iv)  $P \operatorname{-int}_{\rho}(P \operatorname{-int}_{\rho}(A)) = P \operatorname{-int}_{\rho}(A);$ (v)  $P \operatorname{-int}_{\rho}(A \cup B) \supseteq P \operatorname{-int}_{\rho}(A) \cup P \operatorname{-int}_{\rho}(B);$ (vi)  $P \operatorname{-int}_{\rho}(A \cap B) \subseteq P \operatorname{-int}_{\rho}(A) \cap P \operatorname{-int}_{\rho}(B).$ 

# **4** Fuzzy-*ρ*-Pre Continuous Map

In this section, we define a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre continuous map from one So-fuzzy topological space to another and investigate its characteristic properties. We know fuzzy- $\rho$ -continuous map is defined (see [3]) as follows:

**Definition 4.1** Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \sigma)$  be two So-fuzzy topological spaces. A map  $f : X \to Y$  is said to be a fuzzy- $\rho$ -continuous map if  $\tau(f^{-1}(B)) \ge \sigma(B)$ , for each fuzzy set  $B \in I^Y$  such that  $\sigma(B) \ge \rho$ . Now we define fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre continuous map as follow:

**Definition 4.2** Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \sigma)$  be two So-fuzzy topological spaces. A map f from X to Y is called a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre continuous map iff  $f^{-1}(B)$  is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre open set for any fuzzy set  $B \in I^Y$  such that  $\sigma(B) \ge \rho$ .

**Remark 4.1** It is obvious that every fuzzy- $\rho$ -continuous map is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre continuous map, but converse may not be true.

**Example 4.1** Let  $X = \{a, b\}, Y = \{u, v\}$  and  $A, B \in I^X, C \in I^Y$  be fuzzy sets defined as follows:  $A = \{(a, 0.7), (b, 0.2)\};$   $B = \{(a, 0.5), (b, 0.6)\};$   $C = \{(a, 0.7), (b, 0.6)\};$   $D = \{(a, 0.5), (b, 0.2)\};$   $E = \{(u, 0.8), (v, 0.7)\}.$ We define fuzzy topologies  $\tau : I^X \to I$  and  $\sigma : I^Y \to I$  as follows:

$$\tau(F) = \begin{cases} 1, & if F = 0, 1\\ 0.2, & if F = A, D\\ 0.5, & if F = B\\ 0.6 & if F = C\\ 0, & otherwise, \end{cases}$$

$$\sigma(F) = \begin{cases} 1, & if F = 0, 1 \\ 0.7, & if F = E \\ 0, & otherwise. \end{cases}$$

Consider a map  $f : (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$  defined as f(A) = u, f(b) = v. Suppose  $\rho = 0.1$ . We see that  $f^{-1}(E) \subseteq Int_{\rho}(Cl_{\rho}(f^{-1}(E)))$ . Hence  $f^{-1}(E)$  is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre open set. Similarly  $f^{-1}(0) \equiv 0$  and  $f^{-1}(1) \equiv 1$  are also fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre open sets. Thus f is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre continuous map. But f is not a fuzzy- $\rho$ -continuous map because  $f^{-1}(E)$  is not a fuzzy- $\rho$ -open set.

**Theorem 4.1** Let  $f : (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$  be a map from one So-fuzzy topological space to another such that  $\tau^*(f^{-1}(B)) \ge \rho$ , for each  $B \in I^Y$  with  $\sigma^*(B) \ge \rho$ , then f is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre continuous map.

**Proof.** Let  $f : (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$  be a map such that  $\tau^*(f^{-1}(B)) \ge \rho$ , for each  $B \in I^Y$  for which  $\sigma^*(B) \ge \rho$ . Since  $f^{-1}(B) \in I^X$  and  $\tau^*(f^{-1}(B)) = \tau((f^{-1}(B))^c) = \tau(f^{-1}(B^c)) \ge \rho$ , we conclude that  $f^{-1}(B^c)$  is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -open set in X. Since every fuzzy  $\rho$ -open set is a fuzzy  $\rho$ -pre open set,  $f^{-1}(B^c)$  is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre open set in X. Further  $\sigma(B^c) = \sigma^*(B) \ge \rho$ . Thus  $f^{-1}(B^c)$  is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre open set in X for each  $B^c \in I^Y$  such that  $\sigma(B^c) \ge \rho$ . Therefore f is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre continuous map.

**Theorem 4.2** Let  $f : (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$  be a map from one So-fuzzy topological space to another. Then for any  $\rho \in I$ , following statements are equivalent:

- (a) f is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre continuous map;
- (b)  $f^{-1}(B)$  is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre closed set for each fuzzy- $\rho$ -closed set B in Y;
- (c)  $Cl_{\rho}(Int_{\rho}(f^{-1}(B))) \subseteq f^{-1}(Cl_{\rho}(B))$ , for each fuzzy set B in Y;
- (d)  $f(Cl_{\rho}(Int_{\rho}(A))) \subseteq Cl_{\rho}(f(A))$ , for each fuzzy set A in X.

**Proof.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \sigma)$  be two So-fuzzy topological spaces. We will prove this theorem in following steps:

(i) (a)arrow(b): Let  $f : X \to Y$  be a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre continuous map for any  $\rho \in I$ . Let B be a fuzzy- $\rho$ -closed set in Y. Then  $B^c$  is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -open set in Y so that  $\sigma(B^c) \ge \rho$ . Since f is a fuzzy  $\rho$ -continuous map, we find that  $f^{-1}(B^c)$  is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre open set in X. Therefore  $(f^{-1}(B^c))^c = f^{-1}(B)$  is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre closed set in X. Similarly we can prove (b)arrow(a).

(ii) (b)arrow(c): Let *B* be a fuzzy set in *Y*, then  $Cl_{\rho}(B)$  is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -closed set in *Y* and hence by (b),  $f^{-1}(Cl_{\rho}(B))$  is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre closed set in *X*. Therefore by definition,  $f^{-1}(Cl_{\rho}(B)) \supseteq Cl_{\rho}(Int_{\rho}(f^{-1}(Cl_{\rho}(B)))) \supseteq Cl_{\rho}(Int_{\rho}(f^{-1}(B)))$ . Thus  $Cl_{\rho}(Int_{\rho}(f^{-1}(B))) \subseteq f^{-1}(Cl_{\rho}(B))$ .

(iii) (c)arrow(d): Let  $A \in I^X$  be any fuzzy set, then  $f(A) \in I^Y$ . Now by (c),  $Cl_\rho(Int_\rho(f^{-1}(f(A)))) \subseteq f^{-1}(Cl_\rho(f(A)))$ . It implies that  $Cl_\rho(Int_\rho(A)) \subseteq f^{-1}(Cl_\rho(f(A)))$ . Hence  $f(Cl_\rho(Int_\rho(A))) \subseteq f(f^{-1}(Cl_\rho(f(A)))) \subseteq Cl_\rho(f(A))$ .

(iv) (*d*)*arrow*(*b*): can be proved easily.

**Theorem 4.3** Let  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $(Y, \sigma)$  and  $(Z, \delta)$  be three So-fuzzy topological spaces and let  $\rho \in I$  be any real number. If  $f : X \to Y$  is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre continuous map and  $g : Y \to Z$  is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -continuous map, then  $g \circ f : X \to Z$  is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre continuous map.

**Proof.** Let C be a fuzzy- $\rho$ -open set in Z so that  $\delta(C) \ge \rho$ , then  $\sigma(g^{-1}(C)) \ge \delta(C) \ge \rho$ . Thus by hypothesis  $g^{-1}(C)$  is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -open set in Y. Since f is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre continuous map, we get that  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(C))$  is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre open set in X. Now  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(C)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(C)$ . Hence  $(g \circ f)^{-1}(C)$  is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre open set in X. Now  $g \circ f : (X, \tau) \to (Z, \delta)$  is a map and we have derived that for any fuzzy- $\rho$ -open set C in Z, fuzzy set  $(g \circ f)^{-1}(C)$  is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre open set in X. Hence  $(g \circ f)$  is a fuzzy- $\rho$ -pre continuous map.

## 5 Conclusion

In the present paper, we have defined fuzzy pre open (closed) sets and fuzzy pre-continuity in Sostak fuzzy topological space. The concept is introduced as an extension of concepts of fuzzy preopen sets introduced in [6]. Several significant results have been obtained.

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