

# Smooth Fuzzy Pairwise Multifunctions

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**Abstract:** In this paper, we introduce and study the concepts of fuzzy lower (upper) almost continuous multifunctions where the domain of these functions is a classical bitopological space with their values as arbitrary fuzzy sets in  $L$ -fuzzy bitopological space in view of Sostak's sense.

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## 1. Introduction

Since Chang [1] introduced fuzzy set theory to topology, many researches have successfully generalized the theory of general topology to the fuzzy setting with crisp methods. In Chang's  $I$ -topology on a set  $X$ , each open set was fuzzy while the topology itself was a crisp subset of the family of all fuzzy subsets of  $X$ . From a different direction, Höhle [5] presented the notion of a fuzzy topology being viewed as an  $I$ -subset of a powerset  $2^X$ . Then Kubiak [9] and Šostak [19] independently extended Höhle's fuzzy topology to  $L$ -subsets of  $L^X$ , which is called  $L$ -fuzzy topology (see [6, 7, 17, 19]). Papageorgiou [14] introduced and studied the notion of fuzzy multifunction and extended the concepts of fuzzy continuous functions to the fuzzy multivalued case, by introducing of fuzzy upper and fuzzy lower semi-continuous multifunctions. Mukherjee and Malakar [13] redefined the concepts of lower inverse and lower semi-continuity of a fuzzy multifunction in terms of the notion of quasi-coincidence due to Pu and Liu ([15, 16]). The concepts of fuzzy lower (upper) almost continuous and fuzzy lower (upper) almost weakly continuous fuzzy multifunctions were introduced by Mukherjee and Malakar [13], also fuzzy lower and fuzzy upper continuous multifunctions were introduced by Mahmoud [12], where their fuzzy multifunction maps each point in a classical topological space to an arbitrary fuzzy set in a fuzzy topological space in the sense of Chang [1].

## 2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, let  $L = (L, \leq, \vee, \wedge, \iota)$  be a completely distributive lattice with an order reversing involution  $\iota$  with the smallest element  $0_L$  and the largest element  $1_L$ ,  $L_0 = L - \{0_L\}$ ,  $I = [0, 1]$  and  $I_0 = (0, 1]$ . The family of all fuzzy sets on  $X$  will be denoted by  $L^X$  ([4, 20]). The smallest element and the largest element of  $L^X$  will be denoted by  $0_X$  and  $1_X$ , respectively. For  $\alpha \in L$ ,  $\underline{\alpha}(x) = \alpha$  for all  $x \in X$ . A fuzzy point  $x_t$  for  $t \in L_0$  is an element of  $L^X$  such that, for  $y \in X$ :

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$x_t(y) = \begin{cases} t & \text{if } x = y \\ o_L & \text{if } x \neq y \end{cases}$ . The set of all fuzzy points in  $X$  is denoted by  $Pt(X)$ . A fuzzy point  $x_t$  is said to belong to a fuzzy set  $\lambda$  of  $X$  denoted by  $x_t \in \lambda$  if  $t \leq \lambda(x)$ . A fuzzy point  $x_t$  is said to be quasi-coincident with a fuzzy set  $\lambda$ , denoted by  $x_t q \lambda$  if  $t \neq \lambda'(x)$ , otherwise  $x_t \bar{q} \lambda$ . A fuzzy set  $\lambda$  is said to be quasi-coincident with a fuzzy set  $\mu$  denoted by  $\lambda q \mu$  if there exists  $x \in X$  such that  $\lambda(x) \neq \mu'(x)$ , otherwise  $\lambda \bar{q} \mu$  [11]. Also, in this paper, the indices  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$  and  $i \neq j$ . Let  $A$  be a subset of an ordinary bitopological space  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ . The interior (resp. closure) of  $A$  with respect to  $\tau_i$  will be denoted by  $i \text{Int}(A)$  (resp.  $i \text{Cl}(A)$ ).  $A$  is said to be  $(i, j)$ -regular open (resp.  $(i, j)$ -regular closed) if  $A = i \text{Int}(j \text{Cl}(A)) = A$  (resp.  $A = j \text{Cl}(i \text{Int}(A))$ ).

**Definition 2.1** ([2, 18]). A double fuzzy topology on  $X$  is a pair of maps  $\tau, \tau^* : I^X \rightarrow I$ , which satisfies the following properties:

- (1).  $\tau(\lambda) \leq \bar{1} - \tau^*(\lambda)$  for each  $\lambda \in I^X$ .
- (2).  $\tau(\lambda_1 \wedge \lambda_2) \geq \tau(\lambda_1) \wedge \tau(\lambda_2)$  and  $\tau^*(\lambda_1 \wedge \lambda_2) \leq \tau^*(\lambda_1) \vee \tau^*(\lambda_2)$  for each  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in I^X$ .
- (3).  $\tau(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \lambda_i) \geq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \tau(\lambda_i)$  and  $\tau^*(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \lambda_i) \leq \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \tau^*(\lambda_i)$  for each  $\lambda_i \in I^X, i \in \Gamma$ .

The triplet  $(X, \tau, \tau^*)$  is called a double fuzzy topological space.

**Remark 2.2.**  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_1^*, \sigma_1, \sigma_2^*)$  is called a double fuzzy bitopological space.

**Definition 2.3** ([2, 18]). Let  $(X, \tau, \tau^*)$  be a double fuzzy topological space and  $\lambda \in I^X, r \in I_0$  and  $s \in I_1$  such that  $r + s \leq 1$ . Then the fuzzy set  $\lambda$  is called an  $(r, s)$ -fuzzy open if  $\tau(\lambda) \geq r$  and  $\tau^*(\lambda) \leq s$ ,  $\lambda$  is called an  $(r, s)$ -fuzzy closed if, and only if  $\bar{1} - \lambda$  is an  $(r, s)$ -fuzzy open set.

**Theorem 2.4** ([3, 10]). Let  $(X, \tau, \tau^*)$  be a double fuzzy topological space. Then double fuzzy closure operator and double fuzzy interior operator of  $\lambda \in I^X$  are defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cl}(\lambda, r, s) &= \bigwedge \{ \mu \in I^X \mid \lambda \leq \mu, \tau(\bar{1} - \mu) \geq r, \tau^*(\bar{1} - \mu) \leq s \}, \\ \text{Int}(\lambda, r, s) &= \bigvee \{ \mu \in I^X \mid \mu \leq \lambda, \tau(\mu) \geq r, \tau^*(\mu) \leq s \}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $r \in I_0$  and  $s \in I_1$  such that  $r + s \leq 1$ .

### 3. Double Fuzzy Almost Pairwise Continuous Multifunctions

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  be an ordinary bitopological space and  $(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_1^*, \sigma_2, \sigma_2^*)$  be an  $L$ -fuzzy bitopological space. By  $F : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_1^*, \sigma_2, \sigma_2^*)$  we mean that  $F$  is a fuzzy multifunction between  $X$  and  $Y$ , and we call it fuzzy multifunction.

**Definition 3.2.** A fuzzy multifunction  $F : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_1^*, \sigma_2, \sigma_2^*)$  is called:

- (1). double fuzzy lower (upper) pairwise almost continuous at some point  $x_0 \in X$  if for every  $\mu \in I^Y$  with  $\sigma_i(\mu) \geq r$ ,  $r \in I_0$  and  $x_0 \in F^-(\mu)$  ( $x_0 \in F^+(\mu)$ ), there exists  $U \in \tau_i(x_0)$  such that  $U \subset F^-(i \text{Int}(j \text{Cl}(\mu, r, s), r, s))$  ( $U \subset F^+(i \text{Int}(j \text{Cl}(\mu, r, s), r, s))$ ).
- (2). double fuzzy lower (upper) pairwise almost continuous if  $F$  is double fuzzy lower (upper) pairwise almost continuous at each  $x_0 \in X$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $F : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_1^*, \sigma_2, \sigma_2^*)$  be a fuzzy multifunction. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1).  $F$  is double fuzzy lower pairwise almost continuous.
- (2).  $F^-(\mu) \subset i \text{Int}(F^-(i \text{Int}(j \text{Cl}(\mu, r, s), r, s)))$  for every  $\mu \in I^Y$  with  $\sigma_i(\mu) \geq r, r \in I_0$ .
- (3).  $F^-(\mu) \in \tau_i$  for every  $(r, s)$ -( $i, j$ )-fuzzy regular open set  $\mu \in I^Y$ .
- (4).  $F^-(i \text{Int}(j \text{Cl}(\mu, r, s), r, s)) \in \tau_i$  for every  $\mu \in I^Y$  with  $\sigma_i(\mu) \geq r, r \in I_0$ .
- (5).  $F^+(\eta) \supset j \text{Cl}(F^+(i \text{Cl}(j \text{Int}(\eta, r, s), r, s)))$  for every  $\eta \in I^Y$  with  $\sigma_i(\bar{1} - \eta) \geq r, r \in I_0$ .
- (6).  $F^+(\eta)$  is  $\tau_i$ -closed in  $X$  for every  $(r, s)$ -( $i, j$ )-fuzzy regular closed set  $\eta \in I^Y$ .
- (7). For each  $x \in X$  and each net  $\{S_n : n \in (D, >)\}$  in  $X$  converging to  $x$  and for any  $(r, s)$ -( $i, j$ )-fuzzy regular open set  $\mu \in I^Y$  with  $F(x) q \mu$ , the net is eventually in  $F^-(\mu)$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): Let  $\mu \in I^Y$  with  $\sigma_i(\mu) \geq r$ . Let  $x \in F^-(\mu)$  be arbitrary. Then there exists  $U \in \tau_i(x)$  such that  $U \subset F^-(i \text{Int}(j \text{Cl}(\mu, r, s), r, s))$ . Consequently  $x \in U \subset i \text{Int}(F^-(i \text{Int}(j \text{Cl}(\mu, r, s), r, s)))$ . Thus  $F^-(\mu) \subset i \text{Int}(F^-(i \text{Int}(j \text{Cl}(\mu, r, s), r, s)))$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3): Let  $\mu \in I^Y$  be  $(r, s)$ -( $i, j$ )-fuzzy regular open set. Then  $\mu = i \text{Int}(j \text{Cl}(\mu, r, s), r, s)$  and therefore  $\sigma_i(\mu) \geq r$ . By (2), we have  $F^-(\mu) \subset i \text{Int}(F^-(i \text{Int}(j \text{Cl}(\mu, r, s), r, s))) = i \text{Int}(F^-(\mu))$ . Hence  $F^-(\mu) \in \tau_i$ .

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4): Let  $\mu \in I^Y$  with  $\sigma_i(\mu) \geq r$ . Then  $i \text{Int}(j \text{Cl}(\mu, r, s), r, s)$  is  $(r, s)$ -( $i, j$ )-fuzzy regular open then by (3),  $F^-(i \text{Int}(j \text{Cl}(\mu, r, s), r, s)) \in \tau_i$ .

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Let  $x \in X$  be arbitrary and let  $\mu \in I^Y$  with  $\sigma_i(\mu) \geq r$  and  $x \in F^-(\mu)$ . Then by (4),  $F^-(i \text{Int}(j \text{Cl}(\mu, r, s), r, s)) = U \in \tau_i$  (say). Also since  $\mu \leq i \text{Int}(j \text{Cl}(\mu, r, s), r, s)$  and  $F(x) q \mu$  we have  $F(x) q (i \text{Int}(j \text{Cl}(\mu, r, s), r, s))$ . Thus,  $x \in F^-(i \text{Int}(j \text{Cl}(\mu, r, s), r, s)) = U$ . Hence  $F$  is double fuzzy lower pairwise almost continuous.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (5): Let  $\eta \in I^Y$  with  $\sigma_i(\bar{1} - \eta) \geq r$ . Then by (2),  $F^-(\bar{1} - \eta) \subset i \text{Int}(F^-(i \text{Int}(j \text{Cl}(\bar{1} - \eta, r, s), r, s))) = i \text{Int}(X - F^-(i \text{Cl}(j \text{Int}(\eta, r, s), r, s))))$ . Then we have  $X - F^+(\eta) = F^-(\bar{1} - \eta) \subset j \text{Int}(X - F^-(i \text{Cl}(j \text{Int}(\eta, r, s), r, s)))) = j \text{Int}(X - F^+(i \text{Cl}(j \text{Int}(\eta, r, s), r, s)))) = X - (i \text{Cl}(F^+(i \text{Cl}(j \text{Int}(\eta, r, s), r, s))))$ . Thus,  $F^+(\eta) \supset i \text{Cl}(F^+(i \text{Cl}(j \text{Int}(\eta, r, s), r, s))))$ .

(5)  $\Rightarrow$  (6): Let  $\eta$  be  $(r, s)$ -( $i, j$ )-fuzzy regular closed set in  $Y$ . Then  $\eta = i \text{Cl}(j \text{Int}(\eta, r, s), r, s)$  and  $\sigma_i(\bar{1} - \eta) \geq r$ . By (5) we have  $F^+(\eta) \supset i \text{Cl}(F^+(i \text{Cl}(j \text{Int}(\eta, r, s), r, s)))) = i \text{Cl}(F^+(\eta))$ . Hence  $F^+(\eta)$  is  $\tau_i$ -closed set in  $X$ .

(6)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (3): Let  $\mu$  be an  $(r, s)$ -( $i, j$ )-fuzzy regular open set in  $Y$ . Then  $\bar{1} - \mu$  is  $(r, s)$ -fuzzy regular closed. By using (6) we have  $F^+(\bar{1} - \mu) = X - F^-(\mu)$  is  $\tau_i$ -closed set in  $X$ . Hence  $F^-(\mu)$  is  $\tau_i$ -open set in  $X$ . The converse is clear.

(3)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (7): Suppose that there exists  $(r, s)$ -( $i, j$ )-fuzzy regular open set  $\mu$  of  $Y$  such that  $F^-(\mu)$  is not  $\tau_i$ -open in  $X$ . Then there exists  $x \in F^-(\mu)$  such that for any  $\tau_i$ -open set  $U$  containing  $x$ ,  $U \not\subset F^-(\mu)$ . Let  $B_x$  denote the  $\tau_i$ -open set containing  $x \in X$ . For each  $U_x^\alpha \in B_x$  there exists  $S_\alpha \in U_x^\alpha$  such that  $S_\alpha \notin F^-(\mu)$ . Then  $B_x = D$  (say) is a directed set under set inclusion and the net  $\{S_\alpha : S_\alpha \in U_x^\alpha \in B_x \text{ and } S_\alpha \notin F^-(\mu)\}$  obviously converges to  $x$  in  $X$ , but  $S_\alpha \notin F^-(\mu)$  for all  $\alpha$ , which contradicts with (7). The converse is obvious.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $F : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_1^*, \sigma_2, \sigma_2^*)$  be a fuzzy multifunction. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1).  $F$  is double fuzzy upper almost continuous.
- (2).  $F^+(\mu) \subset i \text{Int}(F^+(i \text{Int}(j \text{Cl}(\mu, r, s), r, s)))$  for every  $\mu \in I^Y$  with  $\sigma_i(\mu) \geq r, r \in I_0$ .
- (3).  $F^+(\mu) \in \tau_i$  for every  $(r, s)$ -( $i, j$ )-fuzzy regular open set  $\mu \in I^Y$ .
- (4).  $F^+(i \text{Int}(j \text{Cl}(\mu, r, s), r, s)) \in \tau_i$  for every  $\mu \in I^Y$  with  $\sigma_i(\mu) \geq r, r \in I_0$ .

- (5).  $F^-(\eta) \supset iCl(F^-(iCl(jInt(\eta, r, s), r, s)))$  for every  $\eta \in I^Y$  with  $\sigma_i(\bar{1} - \eta) \geq r$ ,  $r \in I_0$ .
- (6).  $F^-(\eta)$  is  $\tau_i$ -closed in  $X$  for every  $(r, s)$ -( $i, j$ )-fuzzy regular closed set  $\eta \in I^Y$ .
- (7). For each  $x \in X$  and each net  $\{S_n : n \in (D, >)\}$  in  $X$  converging to  $x$  and for any  $(r, s)$ -( $i, j$ )-fuzzy regular open set  $\mu \in I^Y$  with  $F(x) \leq \mu$ , the net is eventually in  $F^+(\mu)$ .

*Proof.* It is similar to the prove of Theorem 3.3. □

**Theorem 3.5.** A fuzzy multifunction  $F : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_1^*, \sigma_2, \sigma_2^*)$  is double fuzzy lower (upper) almost pairwise continuous if and only if for any  $(r, s)$ -( $i, j$ )-fuzzy semiopen set  $\lambda$  in  $Y$ ,  $iCl(F^+(\lambda)) \subset F^+(iCl(\mu, r, s))$  ( $iCl(F^-(\lambda)) \subset F^-(iCl(\mu, r, s))$ ).

*Proof.* Let  $F$  be fuzzy lower almost pairwise continuous and let  $\lambda$  be  $(r, s)$ -( $i, j$ )-fuzzy semiopen set in  $Y$ ,  $r \in I_0$ . Then  $\lambda \leq iCl(jInt(\lambda, r, s), r, s) = \eta$  (say). So  $\eta$  is  $(r, s)$ -( $i, j$ )-fuzzy regular closed in  $Y$ . By Theorem 3.3, we have  $F^+(\eta)$  is  $\tau_i$ -closed in  $X$  and hence  $iCl(F^+(\lambda)) \subset iCl(F^+(\eta)) = F^+(\eta) = F^+(iCl(jInt \lambda, r, s), r, s)) \subset F^+(iCl(\lambda, r, s))$ . Conversely, since every  $(r, s)$ -( $i, j$ )-fuzzy regular closed set is  $(r, s)$ -( $i, j$ )-fuzzy semiopen, for any  $(r, s)$ -fuzzy regular closed set  $\lambda$  in  $Y$  we have  $iCl(F^+(\lambda)) \subset F^+(iCl(\lambda, r, s)) = F^+(\lambda)$ . Consequently,  $F^+(\lambda)$  is  $\tau_i$ -closed in  $X$  and hence by Theorem 3.3,  $F$  is double fuzzy lower almost continuous. The proof of fuzzy upper almost continuous is similar. □

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