

# On Fuzzy Almost c-Continuous Mappings

## 퍼지 Almost c-연속사상에 관하여

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### ABSTRACT

In this paper, we introduce the concept of a fuzzy almost c-continuity and investigate some of its properties.

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### 1. Introduction and preliminaries

The study of continuity and its weaker forms constitutes an established branch of investigation in general topological spaces. Recently some researchers[1,2,7,8,16] have tried to extend these studies to the broader framework of fuzzy topological spaces. Using two notions of membership of a fuzzy point to a fuzzy set, neighborhood structure of a fuzzy point[10] and quasi-neighborhood structure of a fuzzy point[11], an investigation of fuzzy continuity, fuzzy almost continuity, fuzzy weak continuity, fuzzy c-continuity and fuzzy H-continuity has been carried out in [1,2,7,8] with almost the same degree of success as in general topological spaces.

In this paper, we extend the notion of almost c-continuity introduced by S. G. Hwang[9] to fuzzy topological spaces. Here we establish some properties of fuzzy almost c-continuous mappings. In particular, we discuss the relationship of fuzzy almost c-continuous mappings with other notions of fuzzy topological spaces such as compactness, regular openness and H-closedness.

In order to make the exposition self-contained as far as practicable, we list some definitions and results that will be used in the sequel. Let  $X$  be a non-empty(ordinary) set and let  $I$  the unit interval  $[0, 1]$ . A fuzzy set  $A$  in  $X$  is a mapping from  $X$  into  $I$ . For any fuzzy set  $A$  in  $X$  the set  $\{x \in X : A(x) > 0\}$  is called the support of  $A$  and denoted by  $S(A)$ [17]. A fuzzy point  $x_\lambda$  in  $X$  is a fuzzy set in  $X$  defined by : for each  $y \in X$ ,

$$x_\lambda(y) = \begin{cases} \lambda, & \text{if } y = x, \\ 0, & \text{if } y \neq x, \end{cases}$$

where  $x \in X$  and  $\lambda \in (0, 1]$  are respectively called the support and the value of  $x_\lambda$ [11,14]. A fuzzy point  $x_\lambda$  is said to belong to a fuzzy set  $A$  in  $X$  iff  $\lambda \leq A(x)$ [11]. A fuzzy set  $A$  in  $X$  is the union of all fuzzy points which belong to  $A$ [11]. A subfamily  $T$  of  $I^X$  is called a fuzzy topology on  $X$  [3] if (i)  $\emptyset, X \in T$ , (ii) for any  $\{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A} \subset T$ ,  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha \in T$  and (iii) for any  $A, B \in T$ ,  $A \cap B \in T$ . In this case, each member of  $T$  is called a fuzzy open(in short,

F-open) set in  $X$  and its complement a fuzzy closed(in short, F-closed) set in  $X$ . The pair  $(X, T)$  is called a fuzzy topological space(in short, fts). For a fts  $X$ ,  $FO(X)$  and  $FC(X)$  denote the collection of all F-open sets and F-closed sets in  $X$ , respectively. For a fuzzy set  $A$  in a fts  $X$ , the closure  $\text{cl} A$  and the interior  $\text{int} A$  of  $A$  are defined respectively as  $\text{cl} A = \bigcap \{V \in I^X : A \subset V \text{ and } V^c \in FO(X)\}$  and  $\text{int} A = \bigcup \{V \in FO(X) : V \subset A\}$ [11].

**Definition 1.1**[5]. A fts  $X$  is said to be fuzzy  $T_{2w}$  (in short,  $FT_{2w}$ ) if for any two distinct fuzzy points  $x_\lambda$  and  $y_\mu$  in  $X$ , there exist  $U, V \in FO(X)$  such that  $x_\lambda \in U$ ,  $y_\mu \in V$  and  $U \odot V = \emptyset$ .

**Definition 1.2**[2]. Let  $A$  be a fuzzy set in a fts  $X$ . Then :

- (1)  $A$  is called a fuzzy regular open set in  $X$  if  $A = \text{int}(\text{cl} A)$ .
- (2)  $A$  is called a fuzzy regular closed set in  $X$  if

$$A = \text{cl}(\text{int } A).$$

We denote the collection of all fuzzy regular open[resp. closed] set in  $X$  as  $FRO(X)$  [resp.  $FRC(X)$ ].

It is clear that  $FRO(X) \subset FO(X)$  and  $FRC(X) \subset FC(X)$ .

We will use the notion of fuzzy compactness in the sense of S. Ganguly and S. Saha[6].

**Result 1.A[6, Theorem 4.2].** Every F-closed set in a compact fts is F-compact.

**Result 1.B[6, Theorem 4.6].** Let  $X$  be a fts and let  $A \in I^X$ . Then  $A$  is F-compact in  $X$  if and only if each F-open cover of  $A$  has a finite subcover.

**Definition 1.3[13].** A fts  $X$  is said to be *normalized* if for each  $x_\lambda \in F_p(X)$ , there exists  $U \in FO(X)$  such that  $U(x) = 1$ .

**Definition 1.4[13].** A fts  $X$  is said to be *fuzzy locally compact* (in short, *locally F-compact*) at  $x_\lambda \in F_p(X)$  if there exists a F-open set  $U$  and a F-compact set  $K$  in  $X$  such that  $x_\lambda \in U \subset K$ . A fts  $X$  is said to be *locally F-compact* if it is locally F-compact at each of its fuzzy points.

It is clear that every compact fts is locally compact.

**Result 1.C[13, Corollary 4.2.3].** A normalized  $FT_{2w}$ -space  $X$  is locally F-compact if and only if for each  $x_\lambda \in F_p(X)$  and each neighborhood  $V$  of  $x_\lambda$ , there exists a neighborhood  $U$  of  $x_\lambda$  such that  $cIU \subset V$  and  $cIU$  is F-compact in  $X$ .

**Definition 1.5[1].** A mapping  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be *fuzzy almost continuous* (in short, *fal-continuous*) at  $x_\lambda \in F_p(X)$  if for each  $V \in FO(Y)$  such that  $f(x_\lambda) \in V$ , there exists a  $U \in FO(X)$  such that  $x_\lambda \in U$  and  $f(U) \subset \text{int}(cIV)$ . The mapping  $f$  is said to be *fal-continuous* (on  $X$ ) if it is fal-continuous at each  $x_\lambda \in F_p(X)$ .

**Result 1.D[1, Theorem 4.1; 2, Theorem 7.2].** Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping. Then the following are equivalent :

- (1)  $f$  is fal-continuous.
- (2) For each  $V \in FRO(Y)$ ,  $f^{-1}(V) \in FO(X)$ .
- (3) For each  $F \in FRC(Y)$ ,  $f^{-1}(F) \in FC(X)$ .

**Definition 1.6[8].** A mapping  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is said to

be *fuzzy c-continuous* (in short, *fc-continuous*) at  $x_\lambda \in F_p(X)$ , if for each  $V \in FO(X)$  such that  $f(x_\lambda) \in V$  and  $V^c$  is F-compact in  $Y$ , there exists a  $U \in FO(X)$  such that  $x_\lambda \in U$  and  $f(U) \subset V$ . The mapping  $f$  is said to be *fc-continuous* (on  $X$ ) if it is fc-continuous at each  $x_\lambda \in F_p(X)$ .

**Result 1.E[8, Theorem 2.2 and Theorem 3.3].** Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping. Then the following are equivalent :

- (1)  $f$  is fc-continuous.
- (2) For each  $V \in FO(Y)$  such that  $V^c$  is F-compact in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(V) \in FO(X)$ .
- (3) For each fuzzy closed compact set  $F$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(F) \in FC(X)$ .

**Definition 1.7[7].** Let  $A \in I^X$ . Then  $A$  is said to be *fuzzy H-closed* relative to  $X$  (in short, *fH-closed*) if for each F-open cover  $\{V_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$  of  $A$  in  $X$ , there exists a finite subfamily  $\Lambda_0$  of  $\Lambda$  such that  $A \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda_0} (\text{cl } V_\alpha)$ . The fts  $X$  is said to be a *fH-closed space* if for each F-open cover  $\{V_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$  of  $X$ , there exists a finite subfamily  $\Lambda_0$  of  $\Lambda$  such that  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda_0} (\text{cl } V_\alpha) = X$ .

**Result 1.F[7, Lemma 2.2].** Let  $X$  be a  $FT_{2w}$ -space. If  $B$  is fH-closed in  $X$ , then  $B \in FC(X)$ .

**Definition 1.8[7].** A mapping  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be *fuzzy H-continuous* (in short, *fH-continuous*) if for each  $x_\lambda \in F_p(X)$  and each  $V \in FO(Y)$  such that  $f(x_\lambda) \in V$  and  $V^c$  is fH-closed in  $Y$ , there exists  $U \in FO(X)$  such that  $x_\lambda \in U$  and  $f(U) \subset V$ .

**Result 1.G[7, Theorem 2.4].** Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping. Then the following are equivalent :

- (1)  $f$  is fH-continuous.
- (2) If  $V \in FO(Y)$  and  $V^c$  is fH-closed in  $Y$ , then  $f^{-1}(V) \in FO(X)$ .
- (3) If  $B$  is fH-closed in  $Y$ , then  $f^{-1}(B) \in FC(X)$ .

Furthermore, if  $Y$  is  $FT_{2w}$ , then all three statements are equivalent.

Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping. Then the subset  $G(f) = \{(x, f(x)) : x \in X\}$  of the Cartesian product  $X \times Y$  is called the graph of  $f$ .

**Definition 1.9.** A mapping  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is said to have a fuzzy closed graph (in short, *F-closed graph*) if  $G(f) \in FC(X \times Y)$ .

**Definition 1.10[7].** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be fts's. Then a mapping  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is said to have a fuzzy strongly closed graph (in short, *F-strongly closed graph*) or the graph  $G(f)$  is said to be fuzzy strongly closed (in short, *F-strongly closed*) in  $X \times Y$  if for each  $(x_\lambda, y_\mu) \in F_p(G(f))$ , there exist  $U \in FO(X)$  and  $V \in FO(Y)$  such that  $x_\lambda \in U$ ,  $y_\mu \in V$  and  $(U \times cl V) \odot G(f) = \emptyset$ .

**Definition 1.11[7].** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be fts's and let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping. Then the graph  $G(f)$  of  $f$  is said to have an upper fuzzy point in  $X \times Y$  provided that for each  $(x_\lambda, y_\mu) \in F_p(G(f))$ , there exist  $U \in FO(X)$  and  $V \in FO(Y)$  such that  $x_\lambda \in U$ ,  $y_\mu \in V$  and if  $(U \times cl V) \odot G(f) = \emptyset$ , then there exists  $(a, b) \in G(f)$  such that  $(U \times cl V)(a, b) > \frac{1}{2}$ .

**Result 1.H[7, Lemma 3.3].** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be fts's, let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  a mapping and let  $G(f)$  have an upper fuzzy point in  $X \times Y$ . Then  $f$  has a F-strongly closed graph if and only if for each  $x_\lambda \in F_p(X)$  and each  $y_\mu \in F_p(Y)$  such that  $y \neq f(x)$ , there exist  $U \in FO(X)$  and  $V \in FO(Y)$  such that  $x_\lambda \in U$ ,  $y_\mu \in V$  and  $f(U) \odot cl V = \emptyset$ .

**Result 1.I[7, Theorem 3.8].** If a mapping  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  has a F-strongly closed graph, then it is fH-continuous.

**Definition 1.12[1].** A mapping  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be fuzzy weakly continuous (in short, *F-weakly continuous*) at  $x_\lambda \in F_p(X)$  if for each  $V \in FO(Y)$  such that  $f(x_\lambda) \in V$ , there exists a  $U \in FO(X)$  such that  $x_\lambda \in U$  and  $f(U) \subset cl V$ .

The mapping  $f$  is *F-weakly continuous* (on  $X$ ) if it is F-weakly continuous at each  $x_\lambda \in F_p(X)$ .

**Result 1.J[1, Theorem 5.1].** A mapping  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is F-weakly continuous if and only if for each  $V \in FO(Y)$ ,  $f^{-1}(V) \subset int(f^{-1}(cl V))$ .

## 2. Properties of fuzzy almost

## c-continuous mappings

From now on, we will denote  $X, Y, Z$  as fuzzy topological space.

**Definition 2.1.** A mapping  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be fuzzy almost c-continuous (in short, *falc-continuous*) at  $x_\lambda \in F_p(X)$  if for each  $V \in FO(Y)$  such that  $f(x_\lambda) \in V$  and  $V^c$  is F-compact in  $Y$ , there exists a  $U \in FO(X)$  such that  $x_\lambda \in U$  and  $f(U) \subset int(cl V)$ . The mapping  $f$  is *falc-continuous* (on  $X$ ) if it is falc-continuous at each  $x_\lambda \in F_p(X)$ .

**Remark 2.2.** All F-continuous mappings, fc-continuous mappings and falc-continuous mappings are falc-continuous.

**Theorem 2.3.** For a  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping, the following are equivalent :

- (1)  $f$  is falc-continuous.
- (2) For each  $V \in FRO(Y)$  such that  $V^c$  is F-compact in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(V) \in FO(X)$ .
- (3) For each  $F \in FRC(Y)$  such that  $F$  is F-compact in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(F) \in FC(X)$ .
- (4) For each  $x_\lambda \in F_p(X)$  and each  $V \in FRO(X)$  containing  $f(x_\lambda)$  having F-compact complement, there exists  $U \in FO(X)$  such that  $x_\lambda \in U$  and  $f(U) \subset V$ .
- (5) For each  $x_\lambda \in F_p(X)$  and each  $V \in FO(Y)$  containing  $f(x_\lambda)$  having F-compact complement,  $f^{-1}(int(cl V)) \in FO(X)$ .

**Theorem 2.4.** Any restriction of a falc-continuous mapping is also falc-continuous.

**Theorem 2.5.** If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is F-continuous and  $g: Y \rightarrow Z$  is falc-continuous, then  $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$  is falc-continuous.

**Theorem 2.6.** Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be F-open and surjective. If  $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$  is falc-continuous, then  $g: Y \rightarrow Z$  is falc-continuous.

**Lemma 2.7.** Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping and let  $x_\lambda \in F_p(X)$ . If there exists a  $U \in FO(X)$  such that  $x_\lambda \in U$ ,  $U = S(U)$  and  $f|_U: U \rightarrow Y$  is falc-continuous at  $x_\lambda$ , then  $f$  is falc-continuous at  $x_\lambda$ .

**Theorem 2.8.** Let  $\{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$  be a fuzzy open cover of  $X$  such that  $U_\alpha = S(U_\alpha)$  for each  $\alpha \in \Lambda$  and let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  a mapping. If  $f|_{U_\alpha}: U_\alpha \rightarrow Y$  is

falc-continuous for each  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ , then  $f$  is falc-continuous.

**Theorem 2.9.** Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping and let  $X = A \cup B$ , where  $A, B \in FC(X)$ ,  $A = S(A)$  and  $B = S(B)$ . If  $f|_A$  and  $f|_B$  are falc-continuous, then  $f$  is falc-continuous.

**Theorem 2.10.** Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping and let  $X = A \cup B$ , where  $A = S(A)$  and  $B = S(B)$ . If both  $f|_A$  and  $f|_B$  are falc-continuous at  $x_\lambda \in A \cap B$ , there  $f$  is falc-continuous at  $x_\lambda$ .

**Theorem 2.11.** Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be falc-continuous. If  $Y$  is a locally compact  $FT_{2w}$ -space, then  $f$  has fuzzy closed graph.

**Theorem 2.12.** Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping and let  $g: X \rightarrow X \times Y$  the graph mapping of  $f$ . If  $X$  is F-compact and  $g$  is falc-continuous, then  $f$  is falc-continuous.

### 3. Further results

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $Y$  be a normalized locally compact  $FT_{2w}$ -space. If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is falc-continuous and  $G(f)$  has an upper fuzzy point in  $X \times Y$ , then  $G(f)$  is F-strongly closed in  $X \times Y$ .

The following is the immediate result of Result 1.H and Theorem 3.1 :

**Corollary 3.1.** Let  $Y$  be a normalized locally compact  $FT_{2w}$ -space, let  $G(f)$  have an upper fuzzy point in  $X \times Y$  and let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping. Then the following are equivalent:

- (1)  $G(f)$  is F-strongly closed in  $X \times Y$ .
- (2)  $f$  is fH-continuous.
- (3)  $f$  is fc-continuous.
- (4)  $f$  is falc-continuous.

**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be falc-continuous. If  $Y$  is a compact fts(resp. compact  $FT_{2w}$ -space), then  $f$  is fal-continuous(resp. F-continuous).

**Lemma 3.4.** If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is F-weakly continuous and  $K$  is F-compact in  $X$ , then  $f(K)$  is fH-closed in  $Y$ .

**Theorem 3.5.** Let  $\{Y_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$  be a family of normalized locally compact  $FT_{2w}$ -spaces and let  $f_\alpha: X \rightarrow Y_\alpha$  be falc-continuous for each  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ . If  $G(f_\alpha)$  has an upper fuzzy point in  $X \times Y_\alpha$  for

each  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ , then the mapping  $f: X \rightarrow \prod_{\alpha \in \Lambda} Y_\alpha$  defined by  $f(x) = (f_\alpha(x))_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$  for each  $x \in X$ , is fH-continuous.

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