

On Fuzzy Almost c-Continuous Mappings

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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 some 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 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_λ 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_λ [11,14]. A fuzzy point x_λ 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 $\{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \subset T$, $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} U_\alpha \in T$ 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 clA and the interior $intA$ of A are defined respectively as $clA = \bigcap \{V \in I^X: A \subset V \text{ and } V^c \in FO(X)\}$ and $intA = \bigcup \{V \in FO(X): V \subset A\}$ [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_λ and y_μ 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 $A = int(clA)$.
- (2) A is called a *fuzzy regular closed* set in X if $A = cl(intA)$.

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. Gangly 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 $x_\lambda \in F_\rho(X)$, 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 $x_\lambda \in F_\rho(X)$ 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 $x_\lambda \in F_\rho(X)$ and each neighborhood V of x_λ , there exists a neighborhood U of x_λ such that $clU \subset V$ and clU 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 $x_\lambda \in F_\rho(X)$ 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 $f(U) \subset int(clV)$. The mapping f is said to be *fal-continuous* (on X) if it is fal-continuous at each $x_\lambda \in F_\rho(X)$.

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 $x_\lambda \in F_\rho(X)$, 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 $x_\lambda \in F_\rho(X)$.

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 Λ_0 of Λ such that $A \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda_0} (cl V_\alpha)$. 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 Λ_0 of Λ

such that $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda_0} (cl V_\alpha) = X$.

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 $x_\lambda \in F_\rho(X)$ 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 $f^{-1}(V) \in FO(X)$.
These statements are implied by
- (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 $(x_\lambda, y_\mu) \notin F_\rho(G(f))$, 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 $(x_\lambda, y_\mu) \notin F_\rho(G(f))$, 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 $x_\lambda \in F_\rho(X)$ and each $y_\mu \in F_\rho(Y)$ 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 $V \in FO(Y)$, $f^{-1}(V) \subset int(f^{-1}(clV))$.

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 $f(U) \subset int(clV)$. 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 fal-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 $V \in FRO(Y)$ 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, $f^{-1}(int(clV)) \in FO(X)$

(Proof) (1) \Rightarrow (2) : Suppose f is falc-continuous. Let $V \in FRO(Y)$ such that V^c is F-compact in Y and let $x_\lambda \in f^{-1}(V)$. By the hypothesis, there exists a $U \in FO(X)$ such that $x_\lambda \in U$ and $f(U) \subset int(clV) = V$. Thus $U \subset f^{-1}(V)$. Hence $f^{-1}(V) \in FO(X)$.

(2) \Rightarrow (3) : Suppose the condition (2) holds. Let $F \in FRC(Y)$ such that F is F-compact in Y . Then clearly $F^c \in FRO(Y)$. By the hypothesis, $f^{-1}(F^c) \in FO(X)$. But $f^{-1}(F^c) = [f^{-1}(F)]^c$. Hence $f^{-1}(F) \in FC(X)$.

(3) \Rightarrow (4) : Suppose the condition (3) holds. Let $x_\lambda \in F_p(X)$ and let $V \in FRO(Y)$ such that $f(x_\lambda) \in V$ and V^c is F-compact in Y . Then $V^c \in FRC(Y)$. By the hypothesis, $f^{-1}(V^c) = [f^{-1}(V)]^c \in FC(X)$. Thus $f^{-1}(V) \in FO(X)$. Moreover, $x_\lambda \in f^{-1}(V)$. Let $U = f^{-1}(V)$. Then clearly $U \in FO(X)$, $x_\lambda \in U$ and $f(U) \subset V$.

(4) \Rightarrow (5) : Suppose the condition (4) holds. Let $V \in FO(Y)$ having F-compact complement. Then clearly $int(clV) \in FRO(Y)$, $[int(clV)]^c \in FC(Y)$ and $[int(clV)]^c \subset V^c$. Since V^c is F-compact in Y , by Result 1.A , $[int(clV)]^c$ is F-compact in Y . Let $x_\lambda \in f^{-1}(int(clV))$. Then $f(x_\lambda) \in int(clV)$. By the hypothesis, there exists $U \in FO(X)$ such that $x_\lambda \in U$ and $f(U) \subset int(clV)$. Thus $x_\lambda \in U \subset f^{-1}(int(clV))$. Hence $f^{-1}(int(clV)) \in FO(X)$.

(5) \Rightarrow (1): Let $x_\lambda \in F_p(X)$ and let $V \in FO(Y)$ containing $f(x_\lambda)$ having F-compact complement. Let $U = f^{-1}(int(clV))$. Then, by the hypothesis, $x_\lambda \in U \in FO(X)$. Moreover, $f(U) = f(f^{-1}(int(clV))) \subset int(clV)$. Hence f is falc- continuous.

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

(Proof) Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be falc-continuous, let A a crisp subset of X and let $V \in FRO(Y)$ have fuzzy compact complement. Then, by Theorem 2.3, $f^{-1}(V) \in FO(X)$. Thus $(f|_A)^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(V) \cap A = f^{-1}(V)|_A \in FO(A)$. Hence $f|_A: A \rightarrow Y$ is 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.

(Proof) Let $V \in FRO(Z)$ have fuzzy compact complement. Since g is falc-continuous, $g^{-1}(V) \in FO(Y)$. Since f is F-continuous, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) \in FO(X)$. But $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) = (f \circ g)^{-1}(V)$. Thus $(f \circ g)^{-1}(V) \in FO(X)$. Hence $g \circ f$ 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.

(Proof) Let $V \in FRO(Z)$ have fuzzy compact complement. Since $g \circ f$ is falc-continuous, $(f \circ g)^{-1}(V) \in FO(X)$ or $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) \in FO(X)$. Since f is surjective and F-open, $f(f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))) = g^{-1}(V) \in FO(Y)$. Hence g 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_λ , then f is falc-continuous at x_λ .

(Proof) Let $V \in FRO(Y)$ such that $f(x_\lambda) \in V$ and V^c is fuzzy compact in Y . Since $f|_U$ is falc-continuous at x_λ , there exists a $U_1 \in FO(U)$ such that $x_\lambda \in U_1$ and $f|_{U_1}(U_1) = f(U_1) \subset V$. Since $U_1 \in FO(U)$, there exists a $U_2 \in FO(X)$ such that $U_1 = U_2|_U = U_2 \cap U$. Since $x_\lambda \in U_1$, $x_\lambda \in U_2 \cap U$. Moreover $U_2 \cap U \in FO(X)$ and $f(U_2 \cap U) \subset V$. Hence f is falc-continuous.

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.

(Proof) It is straightforward from Lemma 2.7.

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.

(Proof) Let $F \in FRC(Y)$ such that F is fuzzy compact in Y . Since $f|_A$ and $f|_B$ are falc-continuous, by Theorem 2.3, $(f|_A)^{-1}(F) \in FC(A)$ and $(f|_B)^{-1}(F) \in FC(B)$. On the other hand, $(f|_A)^{-1}(F) = f^{-1}(F) \cap A$ and $(f|_B)^{-1}(F) = f^{-1}(F) \cap B$. Since $X = A \cup B$, $f^{-1}(F) = (f|_A)^{-1}(F) \cup (f|_B)^{-1}(F)$. Thus $f^{-1}(F) \in FC(X)$. Hence, by Theorem 2.3, 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 $x_\lambda \in A \cap B$, then f is falc-continuous at x_λ .

(Proof) Let $V \in FRO(Y)$ such that $f(x_\lambda) \in V$ and V^c is fuzzy compact in Y . Since both $f|_A$ and $f|_B$ are falc-continuous at $x_\lambda \in A \cap B$, there exist $U_1' \in FO(A)$, $U_2' \in FO(B)$ such that $x_\lambda \in U_1'$, $(f|_A)(U_1') \subset V$ and $x_\lambda \in U_2'$, $(f|_B)(U_2') \subset V$. Since $U_1' \in FO(A)$ and $U_2' \in FO(B)$, there exists $U_1, U_2 \in FO(X)$ such that $U_1' = U_1|_A = U_1 \cap A$ and $U_2' = U_2|_B = U_2 \cap B$. Thus $x_\lambda \in U_1 \cap A$, $(f|_A)(U_1') = f(U_1 \cap A) \subset V$. So $x_\lambda \in U_1 \cap U_2 \in FO(X)$ and $f(U_1 \cap U_2) = f(A \cap U_1 \cap U_2) \cup f(B \cap U_1 \cap U_2) \subset f(A \cap U_1) \cup f(B \cap U_2) \subset V$. Hence f is falc-continuous at x_λ .

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.

(Proof) Let $G(f)$ denote the graph of f . Let $(x_\lambda, y_\mu) \in F_p(X \times Y)$ such that $(x_\lambda, y_\mu) \in [G(f)]^c$. Then $f(x_\lambda) \neq y_\mu$. Since Y is FT_{2w} , there exist $V_1, V_2 \in FO(Y)$ such that $f(x_\lambda) \in V_1, y_\mu \in V_2$ and $V_1 \odot V_2 = \emptyset$. Since Y is locally F-compact, there exists a $V \in FO(Y)$ such that $y_\mu \in V \subset clV = V_2$ and clV is F-compact in Y . On the other hand, $(clV)^c = intV^c = int(clV^c) \in FRO(Y)$. By Theorem 2.3, $f^{-1}[(clV)^c] = [f^{-1}(clV)]^c \in FO(X)$. Thus $f^{-1}(clV) \in FC(X)$. Since $V_1 \odot V_2 = \emptyset$, $V_1 \subset V_2^c$. Thus $V_1 \subset V_2^c \subset (clV)^c$. Since $f(x_\lambda) \in V_1$, $f(x_\lambda) \in (clV)^c$ or $x_\lambda \in f^{-1}((clV)^c) = [f^{-1}(clV)]^c$. Thus there exists a $U \in FO(X)$ such that $x_\lambda \in U \subset [f^{-1}(clV)]^c$. So $f(U) \subset (clV)^c$. Thus $(x_\lambda, y_\mu) \in U \times V \in FO(X \times Y)$, $U \times V \subset [G(f)]^c$ and thus $[G(f)]^c \in FO(X \times Y)$. Hence $G(f)$ is F-closed in $X \times Y$.

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.

(Proof) Let $x_\lambda \in F_p(X)$ and let $V \in FO(Y)$ such that $f(x_\lambda) \in V$ and V^c is F-compact in Y . Then $\pi_2^{-1}(V) \in FO(X \times Y)$. Since X and V^c are F-compact, $X \times V^c = [\pi_2^{-1}(V)]^c$ is F-compact in $X \times Y$. Since g is falc-continuous, there exists a $U \in FO(X)$ such that $x_\lambda \in U$ and $g(U) \subset int(cl\pi_2^{-1}(V)) = int[cl(X \times V)] = int(clX) \times int(clV) = X \times int(clV) = \pi_2^{-1}(int(clV)) = \pi_2^{-1}(int(clV))$. So $\pi_2(g(U)) = f(U) \subset \pi_2[\pi_2^{-1}(int(clV))] \subset int(clV)$. Hence 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 $X \times Y$.

(Proof) Let $(x_\lambda, y_\mu) \notin F_p(G(f))$. Then $y_\mu \neq f(x_\lambda)$. Since Y is FT_{2w} , there exist $V_1, V_2 \in FO(Y)$ such that $y_\mu \in V_1, f(x_\lambda) \in V_2$ and $V_1 \odot V_2 = \emptyset$. Since Y is normalized locally F-compact, by Result 1.C, there exists $V \in FO(Y)$ such that $y_\mu \in V \subset clV \subset V_1$ and clV is F-compact in Y . Since f is falc-continuous and $clV \in FRC(Y)$, by Result 1.D, $f^{-1}(clV) \in FC(X)$. Let $U = [f^{-1}(clV)]^c$. Then clearly $x_\lambda \in U \in FO(X)$. Moreover

$f(U) \odot cIV = \emptyset$. Hence, by Result 1.H, $G(f)$ is F-strongly closed in $X \times Y$.

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

Corollary 3.2. 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).

(Proof) Suppose Y is a compact fts. Let $F \in FRC(Y)$. Since Y is a compact fts, by Result 1.A, F is F-compact in Y . Then, by Theorem 2.3, $f^{-1}(F) \in FC(X)$. Hence, by Result 1.D, f is fal-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 .

(Proof) Let $\{V_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ be any F-open cover of $f(K)$ in Y . Since f is F-weakly continuous, by Result 1.J, $f^{-1}(V_\alpha) \subset \text{int}(f^{-1}(cIV_\alpha))$ for each $\alpha \in \Lambda$. Since $f(K) \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} V_\alpha$, $K \subset f^{-1}(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} V_\alpha) = \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} f^{-1}(V_\alpha) \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} [\text{int}(f^{-1}(cIV_\alpha))]$. Since K is F-compact in X , by Result 1.B, there exists a finite subfamily Λ_0 of Λ such that $K \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda_0} [\text{int}(f^{-1}(cIV_\alpha))]$. Then $f(K) \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda_0} (cIV_\alpha)$. Hence $f(K)$ 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.

(Proof) Let $(x_\lambda, y_\mu) \in F_p(G(f))$ where $y_\mu = (y_{\alpha, \mu_\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ and $\mu = \inf \mu_\alpha$. Then $y = f(x)$ and there exists $\beta \in \Lambda$ such that $y_{\beta, \mu_\beta} \neq f_\beta(x_\lambda)$. Since Y_β is normalized locally compact FT_{2w} , $f_\beta: X \rightarrow Y_\beta$ is falc-continuous and $G(f_\beta)$ has an upper fuzzy point in $X \times Y_\beta$, by Theorem 3.1, $G(f_\beta)$ is F-strongly closed in $X \times Y_\beta$. Thus, by Result 1.H, there exist $U \in FO(X)$ and $V_\beta \in FO(Y_\beta)$ such that $x_\lambda \in U$, $y_{\beta, \mu_\beta} \in V_\beta$ and $f_\beta(U) \odot cIV_\beta = \emptyset$. Let $V = V_\beta \times \prod_{\alpha \neq \beta} Y_\alpha$.

Then clearly $V \in FO(\prod_{\alpha \in \Lambda} Y_\alpha)$ such that $y_\mu \in V$ and $f(U) \odot cIV = \emptyset$. Thus, by Result 1.H, $G(f)$ is F-strongly closed in $X \times \prod_{\alpha \in \Lambda} Y_\alpha$. Hence, by Result 1.G, f is fH-continuous.

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