

WEAK SMOOTH α -STRUCTURE OF SMOOTH TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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ABSTRACT. In [3] and [6] the concepts of smooth closure, smooth interior, smooth α -closure and smooth α -interior of a fuzzy set were introduced and some of their properties were obtained. In this paper, we introduce the concepts of several types of weak smooth compactness and weak smooth α -compactness in terms of these concepts introduced in [3] and [6] and investigate some of their properties.

1. Introduction

Badard [1] introduced the concept of a smooth topological space which is a generalization of Chang's fuzzy topological space [2]. Many mathematical structures in smooth topological spaces were introduced and studied. In particular, Gayyar, Kerre and Ramadan [5] and Demirci [3, 4] introduced the concepts of smooth closure and smooth interior of a fuzzy set and several types of compactness in smooth topological spaces and obtained some of their properties. In [6] we introduced the concepts of smooth α -closure and smooth α -interior of a fuzzy set which are generalizations of smooth closure and smooth interior of a fuzzy set defined in [3] and obtained some of their properties. In this paper, we introduce the concepts of several types of weak smooth compactness and weak smooth α -compactness in terms of these concepts introduced in [3] and [6] and investigate some of their properties.

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2. Preliminaries

Let X be a set and $I = [0, 1]$ be the unit interval of the real line. I^X will denote the set of all fuzzy sets of X . 0_X and 1_X will denote the characteristic functions of ϕ and X , respectively.

A smooth topological space (s.t.s.) [7] is an ordered pair (X, τ) , where X is a non-empty set and $\tau : I^X \rightarrow I$ is a mapping satisfying the following conditions:

$$(O1) \tau(0_X) = \tau(1_X) = 1;$$

$$(O2) \forall A, B \in I^X, \tau(A \cap B) \geq \tau(A) \wedge \tau(B);$$

$$(O3) \text{ for every subfamily } \{A_i : i \in J\} \subseteq I^X, \tau(\cup_{i \in J} A_i) \geq \wedge_{i \in J} \tau(A_i).$$

Then the mapping $\tau : I^X \rightarrow I$ is called a smooth topology on X . The number $\tau(A)$ is called the degree of openness of A .

A mapping $\tau^* : I^X \rightarrow I$ is called a smooth cotopology [7] if the following three conditions are satisfied:

$$(C1) \tau^*(0_X) = \tau^*(1_X) = 1;$$

$$(C2) \forall A, B \in I^X, \tau^*(A \cup B) \geq \tau^*(A) \wedge \tau^*(B);$$

$$(C3) \text{ for every subfamily } \{A_i : i \in J\} \subseteq I^X, \tau^*(\cap_{i \in J} A_i) \geq \wedge_{i \in J} \tau^*(A_i).$$

If τ is a smooth topology on X , then the mapping $\tau^* : I^X \rightarrow I$, defined by $\tau^*(A) = \tau(A^c)$ where A^c denotes the complement of A , is a smooth cotopology on X . Conversely, if τ^* is a smooth cotopology on X , then the mapping $\tau : I^X \rightarrow I$, defined by $\tau(A) = \tau^*(A^c)$, is a smooth topology on X [7].

For the s.t.s. (X, τ) and $\alpha \in [0, 1]$, the family $\tau_\alpha = \{A \in I^X : \tau(A) \geq \alpha\}$ defines a Chang's fuzzy topology (CFT) on X [2]. The family of all closed fuzzy sets with respect to τ_α is denoted by τ_α^* and we have $\tau_\alpha^* = \{A \in I^X : \tau^*(A) \geq \alpha\}$. For $A \in I^X$ and $\alpha \in [0, 1]$, the τ_α -closure (resp., τ_α -interior) of A , denoted by $cl_\alpha(A)$ (resp., $int_\alpha(A)$), is defined by $cl_\alpha(A) = \cap\{K \in \tau_\alpha^* : A \subseteq K\}$ (resp., $int_\alpha(A) = \cup\{K \in \tau_\alpha : K \subseteq A\}$).

Demirci [3] introduced the concepts of smooth closure and smooth interior in smooth topological spaces as follows:

Let (X, τ) be a s.t.s. and $A \in I^X$. Then the τ -smooth closure (resp., τ -smooth interior) of A , denoted by \overline{A} (resp., A°), is defined by $\overline{A} = \cap\{K \in I^X : \tau^*(K) > 0, A \subseteq K\}$ (resp., $A^\circ = \cup\{K \in I^X : \tau(K) > 0, K \subseteq A\}$).

Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be two smooth topological spaces. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called smooth continuous with respect to τ and σ [7] if $\tau(f^{-1}(A)) \geq \sigma(A)$ for every $A \in I^Y$. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called weakly smooth continuous with respect to τ and σ [7] if $\sigma(A) > 0 \Rightarrow \tau(f^{-1}(A)) > 0$ for every $A \in I^Y$. In this paper, a weakly smooth

continuous function with respect to τ and σ is called a quasi-smooth continuous function with respect to τ and σ .

A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is smooth continuous with respect to τ and σ if and only if $\tau^*(f^{-1}(A)) \geq \sigma^*(A)$ for every $A \in I^Y$. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is weakly smooth continuous with respect to τ and σ if and only if $\sigma^*(A) > 0 \Rightarrow \tau^*(f^{-1}(A)) > 0$ for every $A \in I^Y$ [7].

THEOREM 2.1 [3]. *Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be two smooth topological spaces. If a function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is quasi-smooth continuous with respect to τ and σ , then*

- (a) $f(\overline{A}) \subseteq \overline{f(A)}$ for every $A \in I^X$,
- (b) $f^{-1}(\overline{A}) \subseteq \overline{f^{-1}(A)}$ for every $A \in I^Y$,
- (c) $f^{-1}(A^\circ) \subseteq (f^{-1}(A))^\circ$ for every $A \in I^Y$.

A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called smooth open (resp., smooth closed) with respect to τ and σ [7] if $\tau(A) \leq \sigma(f(A))$ (resp., $\tau^*(A) \leq \sigma^*(f(A))$) for every $A \in I^X$.

THEOREM 2.2 [3]. *Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be two smooth topological spaces and $A \in I^X$. If a function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is smooth open with respect to τ and σ , then $f(A^\circ) \subseteq (f(A))^\circ$.*

A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called smooth preserving (resp., strict smooth preserving) with respect to τ and σ [5] if $\sigma(A) \geq \sigma(B) \Leftrightarrow \tau(f^{-1}(A)) \geq \tau(f^{-1}(B))$ (resp., $\sigma(A) > \sigma(B) \Leftrightarrow \tau(f^{-1}(A)) > \tau(f^{-1}(B))$) for every $A, B \in I^Y$.

If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a smooth preserving function (resp., a strict smooth preserving function) with respect to τ and σ , then $\sigma^*(A) \geq \sigma^*(B) \Leftrightarrow \tau^*(f^{-1}(A)) \geq \tau^*(f^{-1}(B))$ (resp., $\sigma^*(A) > \sigma^*(B) \Leftrightarrow \tau^*(f^{-1}(A)) > \tau^*(f^{-1}(B))$) for every $A, B \in I^Y$ [5].

A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called smooth open preserving (resp., strict smooth open preserving) with respect to τ and σ [5] if $\tau(A) \geq \tau(B) \Rightarrow \sigma(f(A)) \geq \sigma(f(B))$ (resp., $\tau(A) > \tau(B) \Rightarrow \sigma(f(A)) > \sigma(f(B))$) for every $A, B \in I^X$.

3. Types of weak smooth compactness

Demirci [4] defined the families $W(\tau) = \{A \in I^X : A = A^\circ\}$ and $W^*(\tau) = \{A \in I^X : A = \overline{A}\}$, where (X, τ) is a s.t.s. Note that $A \in W(\tau) \Leftrightarrow A^c \in W^*(\tau)$. In this section, we introduce topological concepts of a s.t.s. in terms of the family $W(\tau)$ and investigate some of their properties.

DEFINITION 3.1 [4]. Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be two smooth topological spaces. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called weak smooth continuous with respect to τ and σ if $A \in W(\sigma) \Rightarrow f^{-1}(A) \in W(\tau)$ for every $A \in I^Y$.

Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be two smooth topological spaces. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is weak smooth continuous with respect to τ and σ if and only if $A \in W^*(\sigma) \Rightarrow f^{-1}(A) \in W^*(\tau)$ for every $A \in I^Y$ [4].

DEFINITION 3.2 [4]. Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be two smooth topological spaces. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called weak smooth open (resp., weak smooth closed) with respect to τ and σ if $A \in W(\tau) \Rightarrow f(A) \in W(\sigma)$ (resp., $A \in W^*(\tau) \Rightarrow f(A) \in W^*(\sigma)$) for every $A \in I^X$.

DEFINITION 3.3 [4]. A s.t.s. (X, τ) is called weak smooth compact if every family in $W(\tau)$ covering X has a finite subcover.

Note that a weak smooth compact s.t.s. (X, τ) is smooth compact.

THEOREM 3.4 [4]. Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be two smooth topological spaces and $f : X \rightarrow Y$ a surjective and weak smooth continuous function with respect to τ and σ . If (X, τ) is weak smooth compact, then so is (Y, σ) .

THEOREM 3.5. Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be two smooth topological spaces. If a function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is quasi-smooth continuous with respect to τ and σ , then $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is weak smooth continuous with respect to τ and σ .

PROOF. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a quasi-smooth continuous function with respect to τ and σ . Then by Theorem 2.1 $f^{-1}(A^\circ) \subseteq (f^{-1}(A))^\circ$ for every $A \in I^Y$. Let $A \in W(\sigma)$, i.e., $A = A^\circ$. Then $f^{-1}(A) = f^{-1}(A^\circ) \subseteq (f^{-1}(A))^\circ$. From the definition of smooth interior we have $(f^{-1}(A))^\circ \subseteq f^{-1}(A)$. Hence $f^{-1}(A) = (f^{-1}(A))^\circ$, i.e., $f^{-1}(A) \in W(\tau)$. Therefore $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is weak smooth continuous with respect to τ and σ . \square

We obtain the following corollary from Theorem 3.4 and 3.5.

COROLLARY 3.6. Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be two smooth topological spaces and $f : X \rightarrow Y$ a surjective and quasi-smooth continuous function with respect to τ and σ . If (X, τ) is weak smooth compact, then so is (Y, σ) .

DEFINITION 3.7. A s.t.s. (X, τ) is called weak smooth nearly compact if for every family $\{A_i : i \in J\}$ in $W(\tau)$ covering X , there exists a finite subset J_0 of J such that $\cup_{i \in J_0} (\overline{A_i})^\circ = 1_X$.

DEFINITION 3.8. A s.t.s. (X, τ) is called weak smooth almost compact if for every family $\{A_i : i \in J\}$ in $W(\tau)$ covering X , there exists a finite subset J_0 of J such that $\cup_{i \in J_0} \overline{A_i} = 1_X$.

THEOREM 3.9. A weak smooth compact s.t.s. (X, τ) is weak smooth nearly compact.

PROOF. Let $\{A_i : i \in J\}$ be a family in $W(\tau)$ covering X . Since (X, τ) is weak smooth compact, there exists a finite subset J_0 of J such that $\cup_{i \in J_0} A_i = 1_X$. Since $A_i \in W(\tau)$ for each $i \in J$, we have $A_i = A_i^\circ$ for each $i \in J$. From Proposition 3.1 [3] we have $A_i = A_i^\circ \subseteq (\overline{A_i})^\circ$ for each $i \in J$. Thus $1_X = \cup_{i \in J_0} A_i \subseteq \cup_{i \in J_0} (\overline{A_i})^\circ$, i.e., $\cup_{i \in J_0} (\overline{A_i})^\circ = 1_X$. Hence (X, τ) is weak smooth nearly compact. \square

THEOREM 3.10. A weak smooth nearly compact s.t.s. (X, τ) is weak smooth almost compact.

PROOF. Let $\{A_i : i \in J\}$ be a family in $W(\tau)$ covering X . Since (X, τ) is weak smooth nearly compact, there exists a finite subset J_0 of J such that $\cup_{i \in J_0} (\overline{A_i})^\circ = 1_X$. Since $(\overline{A_i})^\circ \subseteq \overline{A_i}$ for each $i \in J$ by Proposition 3.2 [3], $1_X = \cup_{i \in J_0} (\overline{A_i})^\circ \subseteq \cup_{i \in J_0} \overline{A_i}$. So $\cup_{i \in J_0} \overline{A_i} = 1_X$. Hence (X, τ) is weak smooth almost compact. \square

THEOREM 3.11. Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be two smooth topological spaces and $f : X \rightarrow Y$ a surjective and quasi-smooth continuous function with respect to τ and σ . If (X, τ) is weak smooth almost compact, then so is (Y, σ) .

PROOF. Let $\{A_i : i \in J\}$ be a family in $W(\sigma)$ covering Y , i.e., $\cup_{i \in J} A_i = 1_Y$. Then $1_X = f^{-1}(1_Y) = \cup_{i \in J} f^{-1}(A_i)$. Since f is quasi-smooth continuous with respect to τ and σ , f is weak smooth continuous with respect to τ and σ by Theorem 3.5. Hence $f^{-1}(A_i) \in W(\tau)$ for each $i \in J$. Since (X, τ) is weak smooth almost compact, there exists a finite subset J_0 of J such that $\cup_{i \in J_0} \overline{f^{-1}(A_i)} = 1_X$. From the surjectivity of f we have $1_Y = f(1_X) = f(\cup_{i \in J_0} \overline{f^{-1}(A_i)}) = \cup_{i \in J_0} f(\overline{f^{-1}(A_i)})$. Since $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is quasi-smooth continuous with respect to τ and σ , from Theorem 2.1 we have $\overline{f^{-1}(A_i)} \subseteq f^{-1}(\overline{A_i})$ for each $i \in J$. Hence $1_Y = \cup_{i \in J_0} f(\overline{f^{-1}(A_i)}) \subseteq \cup_{i \in J_0} f(f^{-1}(\overline{A_i})) = \cup_{i \in J_0} \overline{A_i}$, i.e., $\cup_{i \in J_0} \overline{A_i} = 1_Y$. Thus (Y, σ) is weak smooth almost compact. \square

THEOREM 3.12 Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be two smooth topological spaces and $f : X \rightarrow Y$ a surjective, quasi-smooth continuous and smooth

open function with respect to τ and σ . If (X, τ) is weak smooth nearly compact, then so is (Y, σ) .

PROOF. Let $\{A_i : i \in J\}$ be a family in $W(\sigma)$ covering Y , i.e., $\cup_{i \in J} A_i = 1_Y$. Then $1_X = f^{-1}(1_Y) = \cup_{i \in J} f^{-1}(A_i)$. Since f is quasi-smooth continuous with respect to τ and σ , f is weak smooth continuous with respect to τ and σ by Theorem 3.5. Hence $f^{-1}(A_i) \in W(\tau)$ for each $i \in J$. Since (X, τ) is weak smooth nearly compact, there exists a finite subset J_0 of J such that $\cup_{i \in J_0} \overline{(f^{-1}(A_i))^\circ} = 1_X$. From the surjectivity of f we have $1_Y = f(1_X) = f(\cup_{i \in J_0} \overline{(f^{-1}(A_i))^\circ}) = \cup_{i \in J_0} f(\overline{(f^{-1}(A_i))^\circ})$. Since $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is smooth open with respect to τ and σ , from Theorem 2.2 we have $f(\overline{(f^{-1}(A_i))^\circ}) \subseteq \overline{(f(f^{-1}(A_i)))^\circ}$ for each $i \in J$. Since $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is quasi-smooth continuous with respect to τ and σ , from Theorem 2.1 we have $\overline{f^{-1}(A_i)} \subseteq \overline{f^{-1}(A_i)}$ for each $i \in J$. Hence $1_Y = \cup_{i \in J_0} f(\overline{(f^{-1}(A_i))^\circ}) \subseteq \cup_{i \in J_0} \overline{(f(f^{-1}(A_i)))^\circ} \subseteq \cup_{i \in J_0} \overline{(f(f^{-1}(A_i)))^\circ} = \cup_{i \in J_0} \overline{(A_i)^\circ}$, i.e., $\cup_{i \in J_0} \overline{(A_i)^\circ} = 1_Y$. Thus (Y, σ) is weak smooth nearly compact. \square

4. Types of weak smooth α -compactness

In this section, we introduce topological concepts of a s.t.s. in terms of the family $W_\alpha(\tau)$ and investigate some of their properties.

DEFINITION 4.1 [6]. Let (X, τ) be a s.t.s., $\alpha \in [0, 1)$ and $A \in I^X$. The τ -smooth α -closure (resp., τ -smooth α -interior) of A , denoted by \overline{A}_α (resp., A_α°), is defined by $\overline{A}_\alpha = \cap\{K \in I^X : \tau^*(K) > \alpha\tau^*(A), A \subseteq K\}$ (resp., $A_\alpha^\circ = \cup\{K \in I^X : \tau(K) > \alpha\tau(A), K \subseteq A\}$).

We define the families $W_\alpha(\tau) = \{A \in I^X : A = A_\alpha^\circ\}$ and $W_\alpha^*(\tau) = \{A \in I^X : A = \overline{A}_\alpha\}$, where (X, τ) is a s.t.s. Note that $A \in W_\alpha(\tau) \Leftrightarrow A^c \in W_\alpha^*(\tau)$.

DEFINITION 4.2. Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be two smooth topological spaces and let $\alpha \in [0, 1)$. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called weak smooth α -continuous with respect to τ and σ if $A \in W_\alpha(\sigma) \Rightarrow f^{-1}(A) \in W_\alpha(\tau)$ for every $A \in I^Y$.

THEOREM 4.3. Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be two smooth topological spaces and let $\alpha \in [0, 1)$. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is weak smooth α -continuous with respect to τ and σ if and only if $A \in W_\alpha^*(\sigma) \Rightarrow f^{-1}(A) \in W_\alpha^*(\tau)$ for every $A \in I^Y$.

PROOF. The proof follows directly from the definitions of $W_\alpha(\tau)$, $W_\alpha^*(\tau)$ and Definition 4.2. \square

DEFINITION 4.4. Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be two smooth topological spaces and let $\alpha \in [0, 1)$. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called weak smooth α -open (resp., weak smooth α -closed) with respect to τ and σ if $A \in W_\alpha(\tau) \Rightarrow f(A) \in W_\alpha(\sigma)$ (resp., $A \in W_\alpha^*(\tau) \Rightarrow f(A) \in W_\alpha^*(\sigma)$) for every $A \in I^X$.

DEFINITION 4.5. Let $\alpha \in [0, 1)$. A s.t.s. (X, τ) is called weak smooth α -compact if every family in $W_\alpha(\tau)$ covering X has a finite subcover.

Note that a weak smooth α -compact s.t.s. (X, τ) is smooth compact.

THEOREM 4.6. Let $\alpha \in [0, 1)$. Then a s.t.s. (X, τ) is weak smooth α -compact if and only if every family in $W_\alpha^*(\tau)$ having the finite intersection property has a non-empty intersection.

PROOF. Let (X, τ) be a weak smooth α -compact s.t.s. and let $\{A_i : i \in J\}$ be a family in $W_\alpha^*(\tau)$ having the finite intersection property, i.e., for any finite subset $J_0 \subseteq J$, $\bigcap_{i \in J_0} A_i \neq 0_X$. Now suppose that $\bigcap_{i \in J} A_i = 0_X$. Then $\bigcup_{i \in J} A_i^c = 1_X$. Since $\{A_i : i \in J\} \subseteq W_\alpha^*(\tau)$, i.e., $\{A_i^c : i \in J\} \subseteq W_\alpha(\tau)$ and (X, τ) is a weak smooth α -compact s.t.s., there exists a finite subset $J_0 \subseteq J$ such that $\bigcup_{i \in J_0} A_i^c = 1_X$. Hence $\bigcap_{i \in J_0} A_i = 0_X$, which is a contradiction.

Conversely, suppose that every family in $W_\alpha^*(\tau)$ having the finite intersection property has a non-empty intersection and (X, τ) is not a weak smooth α -compact s.t.s. Then there exists a family $\{A_i : i \in J\}$ in $W_\alpha(\tau)$ covering X such that for any finite subset $J_0 \subseteq J$, $\bigcup_{i \in J_0} A_i \neq 1_X$, i.e., $\bigcap_{i \in J_0} A_i^c \neq 0_X$. Since $\{A_i : i \in J\} \subseteq W_\alpha(\tau)$, we have $\{A_i^c : i \in J\} \subseteq W_\alpha^*(\tau)$. Hence the family $\{A_i^c : i \in J\}$ has the finite intersection property. From the hypothesis we have $\bigcap_{i \in J} A_i^c \neq 0_X$. Hence $\bigcup_{i \in J} A_i \neq 1_X$, which is a contradiction. \square

THEOREM 4.7. Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be two smooth topological spaces, $\alpha \in [0, 1)$ and $f : X \rightarrow Y$ a surjective and weak smooth α -continuous function with respect to τ and σ . If (X, τ) is weak smooth α -compact, then so is (Y, σ) .

PROOF. Let $\{A_i : i \in J\}$ be a family in $W_\alpha(\sigma)$ covering Y , i.e., $\bigcup_{i \in J} A_i = 1_Y$. Then $\bigcup_{i \in J} f^{-1}(A_i) = f^{-1}(1_Y) = 1_X$. Since $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is weak smooth α -continuous with respect to τ and σ , $\{f^{-1}(A_i) : i \in J\} \subseteq W_\alpha(\tau)$. Since (X, τ) is weak smooth α -compact, there exists a finite

subset $J_0 \subseteq J$ such that $\cup_{i \in J_0} f^{-1}(A_i) = 1_X$. From the surjectivity of f we have $1_Y = f(1_X) = f(\cup_{i \in J_0} f^{-1}(A_i)) = \cup_{i \in J_0} f(f^{-1}(A_i)) = \cup_{i \in J_0} A_i$. Therefore (Y, σ) is weak smooth α -compact. \square

DEFINITION 4.8 [6]. Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be two smooth topological spaces and let $\alpha \in [0, 1)$. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called smooth α -preserving (resp., strict smooth α -preserving) with respect to τ and σ if $\sigma(A) \geq \alpha\sigma(B) \Leftrightarrow \tau(f^{-1}(A)) \geq \alpha\tau(f^{-1}(B))$ (resp., $\sigma(A) > \alpha\sigma(B) \Leftrightarrow \tau(f^{-1}(A)) > \alpha\tau(f^{-1}(B))$) for every $A, B \in I^Y$.

A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called smooth open α -preserving (resp., strict smooth open α -preserving) with respect to τ and σ if $\tau(A) \geq \alpha\tau(B) \Rightarrow \sigma(f(A)) \geq \alpha\sigma(f(B))$ (resp., $\tau(A) > \alpha\tau(B) \Rightarrow \sigma(f(A)) > \alpha\sigma(f(B))$) for every $A, B \in I^X$.

THEOREM 4.9. *Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be two smooth topological spaces and let $\alpha \in [0, 1)$. If a function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is strict smooth α -preserving with respect to τ and σ , then $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is weak smooth α -continuous with respect to τ and σ .*

PROOF. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a strict smooth α -preserving function with respect to τ and σ . Then by Theorem 3.13 [6] $f^{-1}(A_\alpha^o) \subseteq (f^{-1}(A))_\alpha^o$ for every $A \in I^Y$. Let $A \in W_\alpha(\sigma)$, i.e., $A = A_\alpha^o$. Then by the above result $f^{-1}(A) = f^{-1}(A_\alpha^o) \subseteq (f^{-1}(A))_\alpha^o$. From Theorem 3.5 [6] we have $f^{-1}(A) = (f^{-1}(A))_\alpha^o$, i.e., $f^{-1}(A) \in W_\alpha(\tau)$. Therefore $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is weak smooth α -continuous with respect to τ and σ . \square

We obtain the following corollary from Theorem 4.7 and 4.9.

COROLLARY 4.10. *Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be two smooth topological spaces, $\alpha \in [0, 1)$ and $f : X \rightarrow Y$ a surjective and strict smooth α -preserving function with respect to τ and σ . If (X, τ) is weak smooth α -compact, then so is (Y, σ) .*

DEFINITION 4.11. Let $\alpha \in [0, 1)$. A s.t.s. (X, τ) is called weak smooth nearly α -compact if for every family $\{A_i : i \in J\}$ in $W_\alpha(\tau)$ covering X , there exists a finite subset J_0 of J such that $\cup_{i \in J_0} (\overline{A_i})_\alpha^o = 1_X$.

DEFINITION 4.12. Let $\alpha \in [0, 1)$. A s.t.s. (X, τ) is called weak smooth almost α -compact if for every family $\{A_i : i \in J\}$ in $W_\alpha(\tau)$ covering X , there exists a finite subset J_0 of J such that $\cup_{i \in J_0} \overline{A_i}_\alpha = 1_X$.

A smooth topology $\tau : I^X \rightarrow I$ on X is called monotonic increasing (resp., monotonic decreasing) if $A \subseteq B \Rightarrow \tau(A) \leq \tau(B)$ (resp., $A \subseteq B \Rightarrow \tau(A) \geq \tau(B)$) for every $A, B \in I^X$ [6].

THEOREM 4.13. *Let (X, τ) be a s.t.s., $\alpha \in [0, 1)$ and τ a monotonic decreasing smooth topology. If (X, τ) is weak smooth α -compact, then (X, τ) is weak smooth nearly α -compact.*

PROOF. Let $\{A_i : i \in J\}$ be a family in $W_\alpha(\tau)$ covering X . Since (X, τ) is weak smooth α -compact, there exists a finite subset J_0 of J such that $\cup_{i \in J_0} A_i = 1_X$. Since $A_i \in W_\alpha(\tau)$ for each $i \in J$, $A_i = (A_i)_\alpha^\circ$ for each $i \in J$. Since τ is monotonic decreasing and $A_i \subseteq \overline{(A_i)_\alpha}$ for each $i \in J$, $\tau(A_i) \geq \tau(\overline{(A_i)_\alpha})$ for each $i \in J$. Hence from Theorem 3.2 [6] we have $A_i = (A_i)_\alpha^\circ \subseteq (\overline{(A_i)_\alpha})_\alpha^\circ$ for each $i \in J$. Thus $1_X = \cup_{i \in J_0} A_i \subseteq \cup_{i \in J_0} (\overline{(A_i)_\alpha})_\alpha^\circ$, i.e., $\cup_{i \in J_0} (\overline{(A_i)_\alpha})_\alpha^\circ = 1_X$. Hence (X, τ) is weak smooth nearly α -compact. \square

THEOREM 4.14. *Let $\alpha \in [0, 1)$. Then a weak smooth nearly α -compact s.t.s. (X, τ) is weak smooth almost α -compact.*

PROOF. Let $\{A_i : i \in J\}$ be a family in $W_\alpha(\tau)$ covering X . Since (X, τ) is weak smooth nearly α -compact, there exists a finite subset J_0 of J such that $\cup_{i \in J_0} (\overline{(A_i)_\alpha})_\alpha^\circ = 1_X$. Since $(\overline{(A_i)_\alpha})_\alpha^\circ \subseteq \overline{(A_i)_\alpha}$ for each $i \in J$ by Theorem 3.5 [6], $1_X = \cup_{i \in J_0} (\overline{(A_i)_\alpha})_\alpha^\circ \subseteq \cup_{i \in J_0} \overline{(A_i)_\alpha}$. So $\cup_{i \in J_0} \overline{(A_i)_\alpha} = 1_X$. Hence (X, τ) is weak smooth almost α -compact. \square

THEOREM 4.15. *Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be two smooth topological spaces, $\alpha \in [0, 1)$ and $f : X \rightarrow Y$ a surjective and strict smooth α -preserving function with respect to τ and σ . If (X, τ) is weak smooth almost α -compact, then so is (Y, σ) .*

PROOF. Let $\{A_i : i \in J\}$ be a family in $W_\alpha(\sigma)$ covering Y , i.e., $\cup_{i \in J} A_i = 1_Y$. Then $1_X = f^{-1}(1_Y) = \cup_{i \in J} f^{-1}(A_i)$. Since f is strict smooth α -preserving with respect to τ and σ , f is weak smooth α -continuous with respect to τ and σ by Theorem 4.9. Hence $f^{-1}(A_i) \in W_\alpha(\tau)$ for each $i \in J$. Since (X, τ) is weak smooth almost α -compact, there exists a finite subset J_0 of J such that $\cup_{i \in J_0} \overline{(f^{-1}(A_i))_\alpha} = 1_X$. From the surjectivity of f we have $1_Y = f(1_X) = f(\cup_{i \in J_0} \overline{(f^{-1}(A_i))_\alpha}) = \cup_{i \in J_0} f(\overline{(f^{-1}(A_i))_\alpha})$. Since $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is strict smooth α -preserving with respect to τ and σ , from Theorem 3.13 [6] we have $\overline{(f^{-1}(A_i))_\alpha} \subseteq$

$f^{-1}(\overline{(A_i)_\alpha})$ for each $i \in J$. Hence

$$1_Y = \cup_{i \in J_0} f(\overline{(f^{-1}(A_i))_\alpha}) \subseteq \cup_{i \in J_0} f(f^{-1}(\overline{(A_i)_\alpha})) = \cup_{i \in J_0} \overline{(A_i)_\alpha},$$

i.e., $\cup_{i \in J_0} \overline{(A_i)_\alpha} = 1_Y$. Thus (Y, σ) is weak smooth almost α -compact. \square

THEOREM 4.16. *Let (X, τ) and (Y, σ) be two smooth topological spaces, $\alpha \in [0, 1)$ and $f : X \rightarrow Y$ a surjective, strict smooth α -preserving and strict smooth open α -preserving function with respect to τ and σ . If (X, τ) is weak smooth nearly α -compact, then so is (Y, σ) .*

PROOF. Let $\{A_i : i \in J\}$ be a family in $W_\alpha(\sigma)$ covering Y , i.e., $\cup_{i \in J} A_i = 1_Y$. Then $1_X = f^{-1}(1_Y) = \cup_{i \in J} f^{-1}(A_i)$. Since f is strict smooth α -preserving with respect to τ and σ , f is weak smooth α -continuous with respect to τ and σ by Theorem 4.9. Hence $f^{-1}(A_i) \in W_\alpha(\tau)$ for each $i \in J$. Since (X, τ) is weak smooth nearly α -compact, there exists a finite subset J_0 of J such that $\cup_{i \in J_0} (\overline{(f^{-1}(A_i))_\alpha})^\circ_\alpha = 1_X$. From the surjectivity of f we have $1_Y = f(1_X) = f(\cup_{i \in J_0} (\overline{(f^{-1}(A_i))_\alpha})^\circ_\alpha) = \cup_{i \in J_0} f((\overline{(f^{-1}(A_i))_\alpha})^\circ_\alpha)$. Since $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is strict smooth open α -preserving with respect to τ and σ , from Theorem 3.14 [6] we have $f((\overline{(f^{-1}(A_i))_\alpha})^\circ_\alpha) \subseteq (f(\overline{(f^{-1}(A_i))_\alpha}))^\circ_\alpha$ for each $i \in J$. Since $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is strict smooth α -preserving with respect to τ and σ , from Theorem 3.13 [6] we have $(f^{-1}(A_i))_\alpha \subseteq f^{-1}(\overline{(A_i)_\alpha})$ for each $i \in J$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} 1_Y &= \cup_{i \in J_0} f((\overline{(f^{-1}(A_i))_\alpha})^\circ_\alpha) \subseteq \cup_{i \in J_0} (f(\overline{(f^{-1}(A_i))_\alpha}))^\circ_\alpha \\ &\subseteq \cup_{i \in J_0} (f(f^{-1}(\overline{(A_i)_\alpha})))^\circ_\alpha = \cup_{i \in J_0} \overline{(A_i)_\alpha}, \end{aligned}$$

i.e.,

$$\cup_{i \in J_0} \overline{(A_i)_\alpha} = 1_Y.$$

Thus (Y, σ) is weak smooth nearly α -compact. \square

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