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### The complementary fuzzy topology

In this chapter we introduce the concept of complementary fuzzy topology and this is an extension of Norman Levine's work in [65] to fuzzy setting. We discuss and study several interesting properties of complementary fuzzy topology.

#### 6.1 Definitions

Motivated by the classical concept introduced in [65] we now define:

**Definition 6.1.1.** Let  $(X, T)$  be any fuzzy topological space and let  $\mathfrak{B}^* = \{\text{int } \lambda \mid (1 - \lambda) \in T\}$ . It is clear that  $\mathfrak{B}^*$  is a base for a fuzzy topology  $T^*$  on  $X$  and  $T^* \subseteq T$ . We call  $T^*$  **the complementary fuzzy topology**.

$\text{cl}$  and  $\text{cl}^*$  will denote the closure operators and  $\text{int}$  and  $\text{int}^*$  will denote the interior operators relative to  $T$  and  $T^*$  respectively.

## 6.2 Basic Properties

In this section we investigate and study several interesting properties by making use of the interior and closure operators.

**Proposition 6.2.1.** *Let  $(X, T)$  be a fuzzy topological space. Then  $(T^*)^* = T^*$ .*

*Proof:* It is simple to prove. □

**Proposition 6.2.2.** *Let  $(X, T)$  be any fuzzy topological space and let  $T^*$  be the complementary fuzzy topology for  $X$ . If  $\lambda \in I^X$ , then  $\text{int cl } \lambda \leq \text{int}^* \text{cl}^* \lambda$ .*

*Proof:* It is easy to see that

$$\text{int cl } \lambda \leq \text{cl } \lambda \leq \text{cl}^* \lambda. \quad (6.2.1)$$

But

$$\text{int cl } \lambda \in \mathfrak{B}^* \subset T^*. \quad (6.2.2)$$

Therefore  $\text{int}^* (\text{int cl } \lambda) \leq \text{int}^* \text{cl}^* \lambda$  ( by (6.2.1)) and hence  $\text{int cl } \lambda \leq \text{int}^* \text{cl}^* \lambda$  (by (6.2.2)). Hence the proposition. □

**Proposition 6.2.3.** *Let  $(X, T)$  be any fuzzy topological space. Then  $T^*$  is indiscrete if and only if every fuzzy set  $\lambda$  in  $X$  is either  $T$ -dense or nowhere  $T$ -dense in  $X$ .*

*Proof:* Now  $T^*$  is indiscrete  $\Leftrightarrow T^* = \{0, 1\} \Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{B}^* = \{0, 1\} \Leftrightarrow$  For every  $T$ -closed set  $\lambda$ ,  $\text{int } \lambda = 0$  or  $\text{int } \lambda = 1 \Leftrightarrow$  for any fuzzy set  $\lambda$  in  $X$ , we have  $\text{int cl } \lambda = 0$  or  $\text{int cl } \lambda = 1 \Leftrightarrow$  every fuzzy set  $\lambda$  in  $X$  is such that  $\lambda$  is nowhere  $T$ -dense or  $T$ -dense. □

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**Remark 6.2.1.** *It is of interest to note that if  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are fuzzy topologies for  $X$  such that  $T_1 \subset T_2$ , then in general  $T_1^* \not\subset T_2^*$ . The following example serves the purpose.*

**Example 6.2.1.** *Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ . Define  $T_1 = \{0, \lambda, \mu, \rho, 1\}$  and  $T_2 = \{0, \lambda, \mu, \rho, \sigma, 1\}$  where  $\lambda : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is such that  $\lambda(a) = 1, \lambda(b) = 0, \lambda(c) = 0$ ;  $\mu : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is such that  $\mu(a) = \mu(b) = 0, \mu(c) = 1$ ;  $\rho : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is such that  $\rho(a) = \rho(c) = 1, \rho(b) = 0$ ; and  $\sigma : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is such that  $\sigma(a) = \sigma(b) = 1, \sigma(c) = 0$ . Clearly  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are fuzzy topologies on  $X$ . It can be easily verified that  $T_1 \subset T_2$  but  $T_1^* \not\subset T_2^*$ .*

**Corollary 6.2.1.** *Let  $(X, T)$  be a fuzzy topological space and suppose  $\lambda$  be any fuzzy set in  $X$ . If  $\lambda$  is  $T^*$ -nowhere dense, then  $\lambda$  is  $T$ -nowhere dense.*

**Proof.** Follows from Proposition 6.2.2.

**Proposition 6.2.4.**  *$(X, T)$  is fuzzy connected if and only if  $(X, T^*)$  is fuzzy connected.*

**Proof:** Suppose  $(X, T)$  is fuzzy connected. Since  $T^* \subset T$ , it follows that  $(X, T^*)$  is fuzzy connected. Conversely, suppose that  $(X, T^*)$  is fuzzy connected. If  $(X, T)$  is not fuzzy connected, then there exists a fuzzy set  $\lambda$  such that it is  $T$ -fuzzy open and  $T$ -fuzzy closed. It is easy to see that  $\lambda$  is both  $T^*$ -fuzzy open and  $T^*$ -fuzzy closed which is a contradiction to the assumption. Therefore  $(X, T)$  is fuzzy connected.  $\square$

**Proposition 6.2.5.** *Let  $(X, T)$  and  $(Y, S)$  be fuzzy topological spaces and suppose that  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is fuzzy continuous and fuzzy open. Then for each fuzzy set  $\lambda$  in  $Y$ , we have*

$$(1) f^{-1}(\text{int } \lambda) = \text{int } f^{-1}(\lambda)$$

$$(2) f^{-1}(\text{cl } \lambda) = \text{cl } f^{-1}(\lambda)$$

$$(3) f^{-1}(\text{int cl } \lambda) = \text{int cl } f^{-1}(\lambda)$$

**Proof:** (1) Now  $\text{int } \lambda \leq \lambda$  and also  $f^{-1}(\text{int } \lambda) \leq f^{-1}(\lambda)$  implies that

$$f^{-1}(\text{int } \lambda) \leq \text{int } f^{-1}(\lambda).$$

Similarly we can show that

$$\text{int } f^{-1}(\lambda) \leq f^{-1}(\text{int } \lambda).$$

Since  $\text{int } f^{-1}(\lambda) = f^{-1}(\text{int } \lambda)$ . Therefore (1) is verified.

(2)  $f^{-1}(\text{cl } \lambda) = f^{-1}(1 - \text{int}(1 - \lambda)) = 1 - f^{-1}(\text{int}(1 - \lambda)) = 1 - \text{int}(1 - f^{-1}(\lambda)) = \text{cl } f^{-1}(\lambda)$ . Hence (2) is verified.

(3) Follows from (1) and (2). □

**Proposition 6.2.6.** *Let  $f : (X, T) \rightarrow (Y, S)$  be fuzzy continuous and fuzzy open map. Then  $f : (X, T^*) \rightarrow (Y, S^*)$  is fuzzy continuous.*

**Proof:** Let  $\lambda$  be any  $S$ -closed fuzzy set in  $Y$ . Then  $f^{-1}(\text{int } \lambda) = \text{int } f^{-1}(\lambda)$  by Proposition 6.2.5 and so  $f^{-1}(\text{int } \lambda) \in T^*$ . □

**Remark 6.2.2.** *If  $f : (X, T) \rightarrow (Y, S)$  is fuzzy continuous and fuzzy open relative to  $T$  and  $S$ , then in general  $f$  need not be fuzzy open relative to  $T^*$  and  $S^*$ . The following example serves the purpose.*

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**Example 6.2.2.** Let  $X = \{a, b\}$ . Define  $T = \{0, 1, \lambda, \mu\}$  where  $\lambda(a) = 1, \lambda(b) = 0; \mu(a) = 0, \mu(b) = 1$ . Then  $T$  is fuzzy topology on  $X$ . Clearly  $T = T^*$ . Let  $Y = \{a, b\}$  and  $S = \{0, \lambda, 1\}$  is fuzzy topology on  $Y$ , then  $S^* = \{0, 1\}$ . If  $f(x) = a$  for all  $x \in X$ , then  $f$  is fuzzy continuous and fuzzy open relative to  $T$  and  $S$ . But  $f$  is not fuzzy open relative to  $T^*$  and  $S^*$ .

**Proposition 6.2.7.** Let  $(X_\alpha, T_\alpha)_{\alpha \in \Delta}$  be a non-empty family of fuzzy topological spaces and let  $(X, T)$  denote the fuzzy product space. If  $(X, T^\#)$  denote the fuzzy product of the family  $(X_\alpha, T_\alpha^*)_{\alpha \in \Delta}$ , then  $T^\# = T^*$ .

*Proof:* We shall first show that  $T^\# \subseteq T^*$ . Now for each  $\alpha \in \Delta$ , the projection map  $p_\alpha : X \rightarrow X_\alpha$  is fuzzy continuous and fuzzy open relative to  $T$  and  $T_\alpha$  and so by Proposition 6.2.6,  $p_\alpha$  is fuzzy continuous relative to  $T^*$  and  $T_\alpha^*$ . Since  $T^\#$  is the smallest fuzzy topology for  $X$  such that  $p_\alpha : X \rightarrow X_\alpha$  is fuzzy continuous relative to  $T_\alpha^*$  for all  $\alpha \in \Delta$ , it follows that

$$T^\# \subseteq T^*.$$

Conversely, let  $\lambda^* \in T^*$ . Then  $\lambda^* = \text{int } \mu, \mu$  is  $T$ -closed. Therefore we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda^* &= \text{int } \mu = \vee \{ \wedge p_{\alpha_j}^{-1} [\text{int cl } \lambda_{\alpha_j}] \} \\ &= \vee \text{intcl} \{ \wedge p_{\alpha_j}^{-1} [\lambda_{\alpha_j}] \}. \end{aligned}$$

But  $\text{int cl } \lambda_{\alpha_j} \in T_{\alpha_j}^*$  and so  $p_{\alpha_j}^{-1} [\text{int cl } \lambda_{\alpha_j}] \in T^\#$ . This implies that  $\lambda^* \in T^\#$ . Therefore  $T^* \subseteq T^\#$ . Hence  $T^* = T^\#$ . Hence the proposition.  $\square$

**Proposition 6.2.8.** *Let  $(X, T)$  be any fuzzy topological space and  $T^*$  be the complementary fuzzy topology. Then  $(X, T)$  is fuzzy Hausdorff if and only if  $(X, T^*)$  is fuzzy Hausdorff.*

**Proof:** If  $(X, T^*)$  is fuzzy Hausdorff then it follows easily that  $(X, T)$  is also fuzzy Hausdorff since  $T^* \subseteq T$ . To prove the converse, suppose  $(X, T)$  is fuzzy Hausdorff. Let  $p$  and  $q$  be any two distinct fuzzy points in  $X$ . Then there exists fuzzy open sets  $\lambda, \mu \in T$  such that

$$p \in \lambda, q \in \mu \text{ and } \lambda \leq 1 - \mu. \quad (6.2.3)$$

Hence it follows that  $p \notin \text{cl } \mu$  and  $q \notin \text{cl } \lambda$ . Now put  $\lambda^* = \text{int } (1 - \mu) \wedge \text{int } (\text{cl } \lambda)$  and  $\mu^* = \text{int } (1 - \lambda) \wedge \text{int } (\text{cl } \mu)$ . Clearly  $\lambda^*, \mu^* \in T^*$  and  $1 - \mu^* = 1 - [\text{int } (1 - \lambda) \wedge \text{int } \text{cl } \mu] = [1 - \text{int } (1 - \lambda)] \vee [1 - \text{int } \text{cl } \mu] = \text{cl } \lambda \vee \text{cl } (1 - \mu) = \text{cl } (1 - \mu) \geq \text{int } (1 - \mu) \geq \lambda^*$  [since  $\lambda \leq 1 - \mu$ ] by (6.2.3). That is,  $1 - \mu^* \geq \lambda^*$ . It is easy to see that  $p \in \lambda^*, q \in \mu^*$ . This shows that  $(X, T^*)$  is fuzzy Hausdorff. Hence the proposition.  $\square$

**Corollary 6.2.2.** *A fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  is fuzzy Hausdorff if and only if for two distinct fuzzy points  $p$  and  $q$  of  $X$ , there exists fuzzy sets  $\lambda, \mu \in T$  such that*

$$(1) \ 1 - p \notin \text{cl } \lambda, 1 - q \notin \text{cl } \mu$$

$$(2) \ \text{cl } \lambda + \text{cl } \mu \leq 1.$$

**Proof:** Let  $p$  and  $q$  be any two distinct fuzzy points and  $\lambda, \mu \in T$  be such that  $1 - p \notin \text{cl } \lambda, 1 - q \notin \text{cl } \mu$  and  $\text{cl } \lambda + \text{cl } \mu \leq 1$ . Now  $1 - p \notin \text{cl } \lambda$  implies  $1 - p > \text{cl } \lambda$ . That is  $p < 1 - \text{cl } \lambda$  implies that  $p \in 1 - \text{cl } \lambda$ . Similarly one can see that  $q \in 1 - \text{cl } \mu$ . Now clearly  $1 - \text{cl } \lambda$  and  $1 - \text{cl } \mu$

are in  $T^*$  and from the assumption through  $\text{cl } \lambda + \text{cl } \mu \leq 1$ , it follows that  $1 - \text{cl } \lambda \leq \text{cl } \mu$  or  $1 - \text{cl } \mu \leq \text{cl } \lambda$ . This proves that  $(X, T^*)$  is fuzzy Hausdorff. Therefore by proposition 6.2.8,  $(X, T)$  is fuzzy Hausdorff. Conversely, suppose that  $(X, T)$  is fuzzy Hausdorff. Let  $p$  and  $q$  be two distinct fuzzy points of  $X$ . Then by proposition 6.2.8,  $(X, T^*)$  is fuzzy Hausdorff. Therefore there exists fuzzy set  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  which are  $T$ -fuzzy closed and for which  $p \in \text{int } \lambda, q \in \text{int } \mu$  and  $1 - \text{int } \lambda \leq \text{int } \mu$ . Then  $1 - p \notin \text{cl } (1 - \lambda)$  and  $1 - q \notin \text{cl } (1 - \mu)$ . For  $p \in \text{int } \lambda$  implies  $p \leq \text{int } \lambda$ . That is,  $-p \geq -\text{int } \lambda$ . Now  $1 - p \geq 1 - \text{int } \lambda = \text{cl } (1 - \lambda)$  implies that  $1 - p \notin \text{cl } (1 - \lambda)$ . Similarly  $1 - q \notin \text{cl } (1 - \mu)$ . Now  $\text{cl } (1 - \lambda) + \text{cl } (1 - \mu) = 1 - \text{int } \lambda + 1 - \text{int } \mu \leq \text{int } \mu + 1 - \text{int } \mu = 1$ . This proves the converse. Hence the corollary.  $\square$

**Proposition 6.2.9.** *Let  $T^*$  be the complementary fuzzy topology in  $(X, T)$ . Then  $T = T^*$  if and only if for each fuzzy point  $p$  such that  $1 - p \notin \lambda$ , where  $\lambda$  is  $T$ -fuzzy closed, there exists fuzzy sets  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$  in  $T$  such that  $p \in \mu_1, \lambda \leq 1 - \mu_2$  and  $\mu_1 \leq 1 - \mu_2$ .*

**Proof:** Assume  $T = T^*$ . Suppose  $p$  is a fuzzy point such that  $1 - p \notin \lambda$  where  $\lambda$  is  $T$ -fuzzy closed. Then  $p < 1 - \lambda \in T = T^*$ . Hence there exists a  $T$ -fuzzy closed set  $\sigma$  such that  $p \in \text{int } \sigma \leq 1 - \lambda$ . Put  $\mu_1 = \text{int } \sigma$  and  $\mu_2 = 1 - \sigma$ . Then  $p \in \mu_1, \lambda \leq 1 - \text{int } \sigma$  and  $1 - \mu_2 = 1 - (1 - \sigma) = \sigma \geq \text{int } \sigma = \mu_1$ . Therefore  $1 - \mu_2 \geq \mu_1$ . Sufficiency, we will show that  $T \subseteq T^*$ . Let  $p \in \sigma \in T$  and let  $\lambda \in \text{cl}(\mu)$ . Then there exists fuzzy sets  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$  in  $T$  such that  $p \in \mu_1, \lambda \leq 1 - \mu_2$  and  $\mu_1 \leq 1 - \mu_2$ . But  $p \in 1 - \text{cl}(\mu_2) = \text{int } (1 - \mu_2) \leq \text{int } \lambda \leq \text{int } \text{cl}(\mu)$ . Since  $1 - \text{cl}(\mu_2) = \text{int } (1 - \mu_2) \in \mathfrak{B}^*$ . Therefore  $p \in \text{int } \text{cl } (\mu) \in \mathfrak{B}^* \subset T^*$ , it follows that  $p \in T^*$ . Therefore  $T \subseteq T^*$ . Then  $T = T^*$ .  $\square$