# Fuzzy r-minimal Continuous Functions Between Fuzzy Minimal Spaces and Fuzzy Topological Spaces

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#### Abstract

In this paper, we introduce the concepts of fuzzy r-minimal continuous function and fuzzy r-minimal open function between a fuzzy r-minimal space and a fuzzy topological space. We also investigate characterizations and properties for such functions.

**Key Words**: r-minimal structure, fuzzy r-minimal continuous, fuzzy r-minimal open function

#### 1. Introduction

The concept of fuzzy set was introduced by Zadeh [10]. Chang [2] defined fuzzy topological spaces using fuzzy sets. In [3, 8], Chattopadhyay, Hazra and Samanta introduced a smooth topological space which is a generalization of fuzzy topological space.

In [9], Yoo et al. introduced the concept of fuzzy r-minimal space which is an extension of the smooth topological space. The concept of fuzzy r-M continuity was also introduced and investigated in [9]. In this paper, we introduce the concepts of fuzzy r-minimal continuous function and fuzzy r-minimal open function on fuzzy r-minimal spaces and investigate characterizations for such functions.

### 2. Preliminaries

Let I be the unit interval [0,1] of the real line. A member A of  $I^X$  is called a fuzzy set of X. By  $\tilde{\mathbf{0}}$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{1}}$  we denote constant maps on X with value 0 and 1, respectively. For any  $A \in I^X$ ,  $A^c$  denotes the complement  $\tilde{\mathbf{1}} - \mathbf{A}$ . All other notations are standard notations of fuzzy set theory.

An fuzzy point  $x_{\alpha}$  in X is a fuzzy set  $x_{\alpha}$  defined as follows

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

A fuzzy point  $x_{\alpha}$  is said to belong to a fuzzy set A in X, denoted by  $x_{\alpha} \in A$ , if  $\alpha \leq A(x)$  for  $x \in X$ . A fuzzy set A in X is the union of all fuzzy points which belong to A.

Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a function and  $A \in I^X$  and  $B \in I^Y$ .

Then f(A) is a fuzzy set in Y, defined by

$$f(A)(y) = \begin{cases} \sup_{z \in f^{-1}(y)} A(z), & \text{if } f^{-1}(y) \neq \emptyset, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

for  $y \in Y$  and  $f^{-1}(B)$  is a fuzzy set in X, defined by  $f^{-1}(B)(x) = B(f(x)), x \in X$ .

A fuzzy topology (or smooth topology) [3, 5] on X is a map  $\mathcal{T}: I^X \to I$  which satisfies the following properties:

(1)  $T(\tilde{0}) = T(\tilde{1}) = 1$ .

(2)  $\mathcal{T}(A_1 \wedge A_2) \geq \mathcal{T}(A_1) \wedge \mathcal{T}(A_2)$  for  $A_1, A_2 \in I^X$ .

(3)  $\mathcal{T}(\bigvee A_i) \ge \bigwedge \mathcal{T}(A_i)$  for  $A_i \in I^X$ .

The pair  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is called a *fuzzy topological space*. And  $A \in I^X$  is said to be *fuzzy r-open* (resp., *fuzzy r-closed*) if  $\mathcal{T}(A) \geq r$  (resp.,  $\mathcal{T}(A^c) \geq r$ ).

The r-closure of A, denoted by cl(A,r), is defined as  $cl(A,r) = \cap \{B \in I^X : A \subseteq B \text{ and } B \text{ is fuzzy } r\text{-closed}\}.$ 

The *r-interior* of A, denoted by int(A,r), is defined as  $int(A,r) = \bigcup \{B \in I^X : B \subseteq A \text{ and } B \text{ is fuzzy } r\text{-open}\}.$ 

**Definition 2.1** ([9]). Let X be a nonempty set and  $r \in (0,1] = I_0$ . A fuzzy family  $\mathcal{M}: I^X \to I$  on X is said to have a *fuzzy r-minimal structure* if the family

$$\mathcal{M}_r = \{ A \in I^X \mid \mathcal{M}(A) \ge r \}$$

contains  $\tilde{0}$  and  $\tilde{1}$ .

Then the  $(X, \mathcal{M})$  is called a *fuzzy r-minimal space* (simply r-FMS) if  $\mathcal{M}$  has a fuzzy r-minimal structure. Every member of  $\mathcal{M}_r$  is called a *fuzzy r-minimal open* set. A fuzzy set A is called a *fuzzy r-minimal closed* set if the complement of A (simply,  $A^c$ ) is a fuzzy r-minimal open set.

Let  $(X, \mathcal{M})$  be an r-FMS and  $r \in I_0$ . The fuzzy r-minimal closure and the fuzzy r-minimal interior of A [9],

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denoted by mC(A, r) and mI(A, r), respectively, are defined as

$$mC(A,r) = \cap \{B \in I^X : B^c \in \mathcal{M}_r \text{ and } A \subseteq B\},$$
  
 $mI(A,r) = \cup \{B \in I^X : B \in \mathcal{M}_r \text{ and } B \subseteq A\}.$ 

**Theorem 2.2** ([9]). Let  $(X, \mathcal{M})$  be an r-FMS and A, B in

- (1)  $mI(A, r) \subseteq A$  and if A is a fuzzy r-minimal open set, then mI(A, r) = A.
- (2)  $A \subseteq mC(A, r)$  and if A is a fuzzy r-minimal closed set, then mC(A, r) = A.
- (3) If  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $mI(A,r) \subseteq mI(B,r)$  and  $mC(A,r) \subseteq mC(B,r)$ .
- (4)  $mI(A,r) \cap mI(B,r) \supseteq mI(A \cap B,r)$  and  $mC(A,r) \cup mC(B,r) \subseteq mC(A \cup B,r)$ .
- mI(mI(A,r),r)mI(A,r)mC(mC(A, r), r) = mC(A, r).
- (6)  $\tilde{1} mC(A, r) = mI(\tilde{1} A, r)$  and  $\tilde{1} mI(A, r) =$  $mC(\tilde{\mathbf{1}}-A,r)$ .

**Definition 2.3** ([9]). Let  $(X, \mathcal{M}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{M}_Y)$  be two r-FMS's. Then a function  $f: X \to Y$  is said to be

- (1) fuzzy r-M continuous if for every fuzzy r-minimal open set A in Y,  $f^{-1}(A)$  is fuzzy r-minimal open in X,
- (2) fuzzy r-M open if for every fuzzy r-minimal open set G in X, f(G) is fuzzy r-minimal open in Y.

# 3. Fuzzy r-minimal continuous function and fuzzy r-minimal open functions

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{M}_X)$  be an r-FMS and  $(Y, \sigma)$  a fuzzy topological space. Then  $f: X \to Y$  is said to be fuzzy r-minimal continuous if for every fuzzy r-open set Ain Y,  $f^{-1}(A)$  is fuzzy r-minimal open in X.

**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a function between an r-FMS  $(X, \mathcal{M}_X)$  and a fuzzy topological space  $(Y, \sigma)$ . Then we have the following:

- (1) f is fuzzy r-minimal continuous.
- (2)  $f^{-1}(B)$  is a fuzzy r-minimal closed set for each fuzzy r-closed set B in Y.
  - (3)  $f(mC(A,r)) \subseteq cl(f(A),r)$  for  $A \in I^X$ .

  - (4)  $mC(f^{-1}(B), r) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(B, r))$  for  $B \in I^Y$ . (5)  $f^{-1}(int(B, r)) \subseteq mI(f^{-1}(B), r)$  for  $B \in I^Y$ .

Then  $(1) \Leftrightarrow (2) \Rightarrow (3) \Leftrightarrow (4) \Leftrightarrow (5)$ .

*Proof.*  $(1) \Leftrightarrow (2)$  Obvious.

$$\begin{split} &(2)\Rightarrow (3) \text{ For } A\in I^X,\\ &f^{-1}(cl(f(A),r))\\ &=f^{-1}(\cap \{F\in I^Y: f(A)\subseteq F, F \text{ is fuzzy $r$-closed }\}) \end{split}$$

$$= \cap \{f^{-1}(F) : A \subseteq f^{-1}(F), F \text{ is fuzzy } r\text{-closed}\}$$

$$\supseteq \cap \{K \in I^X : A \subseteq K, K \text{ is fuzzy } r\text{-minimal closed}\}$$

$$= mC(A, r).$$

Hence  $f(mC(A,r)) \subseteq cl(f(A),r)$ .

 $(3) \Leftrightarrow (4)$  Fort  $B \in I^Y$ , from (3), it follows

$$f(mC(f^{-1}(B),r)) \subseteq cl(f(f^{-1}(B)),r) \subseteq cl(B,r).$$

Hence (4) is obtained and similarly, we get  $(4) \Rightarrow (3)$ .

$$(4) \Leftrightarrow (5)$$
 From Theorem 2.2, it is obvious.  $\square$ 

**Example 3.3.** Let X = I and let us consider two fuzzy sets A, B defined as

$$A(x) = \frac{1}{2}x, \quad x \in X;$$

$$B(x) = -\frac{1}{2}(x-1), \ x \in X.$$

Consider a fuzzy family

$$\mathcal{M}(U) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } U = \tilde{\mathbf{0}}, \tilde{\mathbf{1}}, \\ \frac{2}{3}, & \text{if } U = A, B, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{array} \right.$$

and a fuzzy topology

$$\sigma(U) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } U = \tilde{\mathbf{0}}, \tilde{\mathbf{1}}, \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \\ \frac{1}{3}, & \text{if } U = A \cap B, A \cup B, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then the identity function  $f:(X,\mathcal{M})\to (X,\sigma)$  satisfies the part (3) in Theorem 3.2 but f is not fuzzy  $\frac{1}{3}$ -minimal continuous.

Let X be a nonempty set and  $\mathcal{M}: I^X \to I$  a fuzzy family on X. The fuzzy family  $\mathcal{M}$  is said to have the property ( $\mathcal{U}$ ) [9] if for  $A_i \in \mathcal{M}$  ( $i \in J$ ),

$$\mathcal{M}(\cup A_i) \ge \wedge \mathcal{M}(A_i).$$

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a function between an r-FMS  $(X, \mathcal{M}_X)$  and a fuzzy topological space  $(Y, \sigma)$ . If  $\mathcal{M}_X$  has the property  $(\mathcal{U})$ , then f is fuzzy r-minimal continuous iff for a fuzzy point  $x_{\alpha}$  in X and each fuzzy r-open set V containing  $f(x_{\alpha})$ , there is a fuzzy r-minimal open set U containing  $x_{\alpha}$  such that  $f(U) \subseteq V$ .

*Proof.* Let f be fuzzy r-minimal continuous, then for fuzzy point  $x_{\alpha}$  in X and each fuzzy r-open set V containing  $f(x_{\alpha})$ , from Theorem 3.2 (5),  $x_{\alpha} \in f^{-1}(V) =$  $f^{-1}(int(V,r)) \subseteq mI(f^{-1}(V),r)$ . So there exists a fuzzy r-minimal open set U containing  $x_{\alpha}$  such that  $x_{\alpha} \in U \subseteq$  $f^{-1}(V)$ . Hence the result is obtained.

For the converse, let a fuzzy set A be fuzzy r-open in Y. Then by hypothesis, we have  $\cup U = f^{-1}(A)$  for each fuzzy r-minimal open set U in X. Hence by the property  $(\mathcal{U})$ ,  $f^{-1}(A)$  is fuzzy r-minimal open.

**Corollary 3.5.** Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a function between an r-FMS  $(X, \mathcal{M}_X)$  and a fuzzy topological space  $(Y, \tau)$ . If  $\mathcal{M}_X$  has property  $(\mathcal{U})$ , then the following are equivalent:

- (1) f is fuzzy r-minimal continuous.
- (2) For fuzzy point  $x_{\alpha}$  in X and each fuzzy r-open set V containing  $f(x_{\alpha})$ , there is a fuzzy r-minimal open set U containing  $x_{\alpha}$  such that  $f(U) \subseteq V$ .
- (3)  $f^{-1}(B)$  is fuzzy r-minimal closed, for each fuzzy r-closed set B in Y.
  - (4)  $f(mC(A,r)) \subseteq cl(f(A),r)$  for  $A \in I^X$ .
  - (5)  $mC(f^{-1}(B), r) \subseteq f^{-1}(cl(B, r))$  for  $B \in I^Y$ .
  - (6)  $f^{-1}(int(B,r)) \subseteq mI(f^{-1}(B),r)$  for  $B \in I^Y$ .

*Proof.* It follows from Theorem 3.2 and Theorem 3.4.  $\Box$ 

**Definition 3.6.** Let  $(X, \sigma)$  be a fuzzy topological space and  $(Y, \mathcal{M}_Y)$  an r-FMS. Then  $f: (X, \sigma) \to (Y, \mathcal{M}_Y)$  is said to be *fuzzy r-minimal open* if for every fuzzy r-open set A in X, f(A) is fuzzy r-minimal open in Y.

**Theorem 3.7.** Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a function on a fuzzy topological space  $(X, \sigma)$  and an r-FMS  $(Y, \mathcal{M}_Y)$ .

- (1) f is fuzzy r-minimal open.
- (2)  $f(int(A,r)) \subseteq mI(f(A),r)$  for  $A \in I^X$ .
- (3)  $int(f^{-1}(B), r) \subseteq f^{-1}(mI(B), r)$  for  $B \in I^Y$ . Then  $(1) \Rightarrow (2) \Leftrightarrow (3)$ .

*Proof.*  $(1) \Rightarrow (2)$  For  $A \in I^X$ ,

f(int(A), r)

- $= f(\cup \{B \in I^X : B \subseteq A, B \text{ is fuzzy } r\text{-open}\})$
- $= \bigcup \{f(B) \in I^Y : f(B) \subseteq f(A),$

f(B) is fuzzy r-minimal open}

 $\subseteq \cup \{U \in I^Y : U \subseteq f(A), U \text{ is fuzzy } r\text{-minimal open}\}\ = mI(f(A), r).$ 

Hence  $f(int(A), r) \subseteq mI(f(A), r)$ .

 $(2) \Leftrightarrow (3)$  For  $B \in I^Y$ , from (3) it follows that

$$f(int(f^{-1}(B),r)) \subseteq mI(f(f^{-1}(B)),r) \subseteq mI(B,r).$$

This implies (3). Similarly, we get the implication (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (2).

**Remark 3.8.** In Example 3.3, consider the identity function  $f:(X,\sigma)\to (X,\mathcal{M}_X)$ . Then f satisfies the statement (2) in Theorem 3.7, but it is not fuzzy r-minimal open.

**Lemma 3.9.** Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a function on a fuzzy topological space  $(X, \sigma)$  and an r-FMS  $(Y, \mathcal{M}_Y)$ . If f is fuzzy r-minimal open, then f(A) = mI(f(A), r) for every fuzzy r-open set A in X.

*Proof.* It follows from Theorem 2.2 (1).  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 3.10.** ([9]) Let  $(X, \mathcal{M})$  be an r-FMS with the property  $(\mathcal{U})$ . Then

(1) mI(A,r) = A if and only if  $A \in \mathcal{M}_r$  for  $A \in I^X$ . (2) mC(A,r) = A if and only if  $A^c \in \mathcal{M}_r$  for  $A \in I^X$ . From Lemma 3.9 and Theorem 3.10, obviously the next corollary is obtained:

**Corollary 3.11.** Let  $f:(X,\sigma)\to (Y,\mathcal{M}_Y)$  be a function on a fuzzy topological space  $(X,\sigma)$  and an r-FMS  $(Y,\mathcal{M}_Y)$ . If  $\mathcal{M}_Y$  has property  $(\mathcal{U})$ , then the following are equivalent:

- (1) f is fuzzy r-minimal open.
- (2)  $f(int(A, r)) \subseteq mI(f(A), r)$  for  $A \in I^X$ .
- (3)  $int(f^{-1}(B), r) \subseteq f^{-1}(mI(B, r))$  for  $B \in I^Y$ .

**Definition 3.12.** Let  $(X, \sigma)$  be a fuzzy topological space and  $(Y, \mathcal{M}_Y)$  be an r-FMS. Then  $f: (X, \sigma) \to (Y, \mathcal{M}_Y)$  is said to be *fuzzy r-minimal closed* if for every fuzzy r-minimal closed set A in X, f(A) is fuzzy r-minimal closed in Y.

**Theorem 3.13.** Let  $f:(X,\sigma)\to (Y,\mathcal{M}_Y)$  be a function on a fuzzy topological space  $(X,\sigma)$  and an r-FMS  $(Y,\mathcal{M}_Y)$ .

- (1) f is fuzzy r-minimal closed.
- (2)  $mC(f(A), r) \subseteq f(cl(A, r))$  for  $A \in I^X$ .
- (3)  $f^{-1}(mC(B,r)) \subseteq cl(f^{-1}(B),r)$  for  $B \in I^Y$ .

Then  $(1) \Rightarrow (2) \Leftrightarrow (3)$ .

*Proof.* It is similar to the proof of Theorem 3.7.  $\Box$ 

**Lemma 3.14.** Let  $f:(X,\sigma) \to (Y,\mathcal{M}_Y)$  be a function on a fuzzy topological space  $(X,\sigma)$  and an r-FMS  $(Y,\mathcal{M}_Y)$ . If f is fuzzy r-minimal closed, then f(A) = mC(f(A),r) for every fuzzy r-minimal closed set A in X.

*Proof.* It is obvious.

**Corollary 3.15.** Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a function on a fuzzy topological space  $(X, \sigma)$  and an r-FMS  $(Y, \mathcal{M}_Y)$ . If  $\mathcal{M}_Y$  has property  $(\mathcal{U})$ , then the following are equivalent:

- (1) f is fuzzy r-minimal closed.
- (2)  $mC(f(A), r) \subseteq f(cl(A), r)$  for  $A \in I^X$ .
- (3)  $f^{-1}(mC(B,r)) \subseteq cl(f^{-1}(B),r)$  for  $B \in I^Y$ .

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