

Interval-Valued Fuzzy Almost α -연속 함수의 연구

Interval-Valued Fuzzy Almost α -Continuous Mappings

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요약

IVF almost α -연속성의 개념을 소개하고 그 함수의 특성을 조사한다. 그리고 다른 IVF 연속함수와의 관계를 밝힌다.

Abstract

We introduce the concept of IVF almost α -continuity and investigate characterizations for such mappings on the interval-valued fuzzy topological spaces. We study the relationships between IVF almost α -continuous mappings and another types of IVF continuous mappings.

Key Words : IVF α -continuous, IVF weakly α -continuous, IVF almost α -continuous, IVF almost open mapping, IVF almost regular

1. Introduction and Preliminaries

Zadeh [9] introduced the concept of fuzzy set and investigated basic properties. Gorzalczany [2] introduced the concept of interval-valued fuzzy set which is a generalization of fuzzy sets. In [8], Mondal and Samanta introduced the concepts of interval-valued fuzzy topology, continuity and compactness and studied some topological properties. The concept of interval-valued fuzzy topology is a generalization of fuzzy topology in sense of Chang's fuzzy topology [1]. In [3], Jun et al. introduced the concepts of IVF α -open sets and IVF α -open mappings and studied some results about them. The concept of IVF strong semi-continuous (or IVF α -continuous mapping) was introduced in [4]. The author introduced the concept of IVF weakly α -continuous mapping and investigate some properties for them in [6]. In this paper, we introduce the concept of IVF almost α -continuous mapping and investigate characterizations for such a mapping. We study the relationships among IVF α -continuous mapping, IVF weakly α -continuous mapping and IVF almost α -continuous mapping.

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 . For any

$A \in I^X$, A^c denotes the complement $1_X - A$. By 0_X and 1_X we denote constant maps on X with value 0 and 1, respectively.

A Chang's fuzzy topology τ [1] is a family $\tau \subseteq I^X$ satisfying the following conditions:

- (O1) $0_X, 1_X \in \tau$;
- (O2) for $A, B \in I^X$, if $A, B \in \tau$, then $(A \cap B) \in \tau$;
- (O3) for every subfamily $\{A_i : i \in J\} \subseteq I^X$, if $A_i \in \tau$, then $\bigcup_{i \in J} A_i \in \tau$.

Let $D[0,1]$ be the set of all closed subintervals of the interval $[0,1]$. The elements of $D[0,1]$ are generally denoted by capital letters M, N, \dots and note that $M = [M^L, M^U]$, where M^L and M^U are the lower and the upper end points respectively. Especially, we denote 0 and 1 as follows: $0 = [0,0]$, $1 = [1,1]$. We also note that

- (1) $(\forall M, N \in D[0,1]) (M=N \Leftrightarrow M^L=N^L, M^U=N^U)$.
- (2) $(\forall M, N \in D[0,1]) (M \leq N \Leftrightarrow M^L \leq N^L, M^U \leq N^U)$.

For each $M \in D[0,1]$, the complement of M , denoted by M^c , is defined by $M^c = [1-M^U, 1-M^L]$.

Let X be a nonempty set. A mapping $A : X \rightarrow D[0,1]$ is called an *interval-valued fuzzy set* (simply, IVF set) in X . For each $x \in X$, $A(x)$ is a closed interval whose lower and upper end points are denoted by $[A(x)]^L$ and $[A(x)]^U$, respectively. For any $[a,b] \in D[0,1]$, the IVF set whose value is the interval $[a,b]$ for all $x \in X$ is denoted by $\widetilde{[a,b]}$. In particular, for any $a \in [0,1]$, the IVF set whose value is $a(x) = [a,a]$ for all $x \in X$ is denoted by simply \tilde{a} . For a point $p \in X$ and for $[a,b] \in$

$D[0,1]$ with $b>0$, the IVF set which takes the value $[a,b]$ at p and 0 elsewhere in X is called an *interval-valued fuzzy point* (simply, IVF point) and is denoted by $[a,b]_p$. In particular, if $b=a$, then it is also denoted by a_p . We denote the set of all IVF sets in X by $\text{IVF}(X)$. An IVF point M_x , where $M \in D[0,1]$ is said to belong to an IVF set A in X , denoted by $M_x \in A$, if $[A(x)]^L \geq M^L$ and $[A(x)]^U \geq M^U$. In [8], it has been shown that $A = \cup \{M_x : M_x \in A\}$.

For every $A, B \in \text{IVF}(X)$, we define

$$A=B \Leftrightarrow (\forall x \in X)([A(x)]^L=[B(x)]^L, [A(x)]^U=[B(x)]^U).$$

$$A \subseteq B \Leftrightarrow (\forall x \in X)([A(x)]^L \subseteq [B(x)]^L, [A(x)]^U \subseteq [B(x)]^U).$$

The complement A^c of A is defined by $[A^c(x)]^L=1-[A(x)]^U$ and $[A^c(x)]^U=1-[A(x)]^L$ for all $x \in X$.

For a family of IVF sets $\{A_i : i \in J\}$ where J is an index set, the union $G=\cup_{i \in J} A_i$ and $F=\cap_{i \in J} A_i$ are defined by

$$[G(x)]^L=\sup_{i \in J}[A_i(x)]^L, [G(x)]^U=\sup_{i \in J}[A_i(x)]^U$$

and

$$[F(x)]^L=\inf_{i \in J}[A_i(x)]^L, [F(x)]^U=\inf_{i \in J}[A_i(x)]^U,$$

respectively, for all $x \in X$.

Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a mapping and let A be an IVF set in X . Then the image of A under f , denoted by $f(A)$ [8], defined as follows

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

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

for all $y \in Y$.

Let B be an IVF set in Y . Then the inverse image of B under f , denoted by $f^{-1}(B)$ [8], defined as follows

$$[f^{-1}(B(x))]^L=[B(f(x))]^L, [f^{-1}(B(x))]^U=[B(f(x))]^U$$

for all $x \in X$. Then it follows that $f(M_x)=M_{f(x)}$ and $f^{-1}(M_y)=M_{f^{-1}(y)}$.

Definition 2.1 ([8]). A family τ of IVF sets in X is called an *interval-valued fuzzy topology* (simply IVFT) on X if it satisfies the following properties:

(1) $0, 1 \in \tau$.

- (2) $A, B \in \tau \Rightarrow A \cap B \in \tau$.
- (3) For $i \in J$, $A_i \in \tau \Rightarrow \cup_{i \in J} A_i \in \tau$.

Every member of τ is called an *IVF open set*. An IVF set A is called an *IVF closed set* if the complement of A is an IVF open set. And the pair (X, τ) is called an *interval-valued fuzzy topological space* (simply, IVFTS).

In an IVF topological space (X, τ) , for $A \in \text{IVF}(X)$, the IVF closure and the IVF interior of A [8], denoted by $\text{cl}(A)$ and $\text{int}(A)$, respectively, are defined as

$$\text{cl}(A)=\cap \{B \in \text{IVF}(X) : B^c \in \tau \text{ and } A \subseteq B\},$$

$$\text{int}(A)=\cup \{B \in \text{IVF}(X) : B \in \tau \text{ and } B \subseteq A\}.$$

Theorem 2.2 ([8]). Let (X, τ) be an IVF topological space and $A, B \in \text{IVF}(X)$. Then

- (1) A is an IVF closed set iff $A=\text{cl}(A)$.
- (2) $\text{cl}(A) \cup \text{cl}(B)=\text{cl}(A \cup B)$.
- (3) $\text{cl}(\text{cl}(A))=\text{cl}(A)$.
- (6) $\text{int}(A)=1-\text{cl}(1-A)$ and $\text{cl}(A)=1-\text{int}(1-A)$.

Let A be an IVF set in an IVFTS (X, τ) . Then A is said to be IVF α -open [3] (resp., IVF semiopen [3], IVF preopen [3], IVF regular open [5] and IVF β -open [5]) if $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)))$ (resp., $A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$, $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$, $A=\text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$ and $A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)))$).

Let (X, τ_1) and (Y, τ_2) be two IVFTS's. Then $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be IVF continuous [8] (resp., IVF α -continuous or IVF strongly semi-continuous [4]) if for every IVF open set B in Y , $f^{-1}(B)$ is IVF open (resp., IVF α -open) in X . And f is said to be IVF weakly α -continuous [6] if for every IVF point M_x and each IVF open set V containing $f(M_x)$, there exists an IVF α -open set U containing M_x such that $f(U) \subseteq \text{cl}(V)$.

3. IVF Almost α -continuous Mappings

Definition 3.1. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a mapping IVFTS's (X, τ_1) and (Y, τ_2) . Then f is said to be IVF almost α -continuous if for each IVF point M_x and each IVF open set V containing $f(M_x)$, there exists an IVF α -open set U containing M_x such that $f(U) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(V))$.

Obviously the following implications are obtained but the converses are not true in general:

IVF continuous \Rightarrow IVF α -continuous \Rightarrow IVF almost α -continuous \Rightarrow IVF weakly α -continuous

Example 3.2. Let $X=I$ and let A, B, C, D and E be IVF sets defined as follows

$$A(x)=\left(\frac{2}{9}\right), B(x)=\left(\frac{1}{3}\right), C(x)=\left(\frac{2}{3}\right), D(x)=\left(\frac{7}{9}\right),$$

$$E(x) = \left(\frac{8}{9}\right).$$

(1) Consider IVF topologies τ_1 and τ_2 on X as follows

$$\tau_1 = \{0, A, B, 1\} \text{ and } \tau_2 = \{0, B, E, 1\}.$$

Then the identity mapping $f: (X, \tau_1) \rightarrow (X, \tau_2)$ is an IVF almost α -continuous mapping but it is not IVF α -continuous.

(2) Consider IVF topologies τ_3 and τ_4 on X as follows

$$\tau_3 = \{0, A, C, 1\} \text{ and } \tau_4 = \{0, B, E, 1\}.$$

Then the identity mapping $f: (X, \tau_3) \rightarrow (X, \tau_4)$ is an IVF weakly α -continuous mapping but it is not IVF almost α -continuous.

Lemma 3.3 (Theorem 3.6 in [6]). Let (X, τ) be an IVFTS and A an IVF set in X . Then

- (1) $A \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)))$ is IVF α -open.
- (2) $A \cup \text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(A)))$ is IVF α -closed.

Theorem 3.4. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a mapping between IVFTS's (X, τ_1) and (Y, τ_2) . Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) f is IVF almost α -continuous.
- (2) $f^{-1}(B) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(f^{-1}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(B))))))$ for each IVF open set B of Y .
- (3) $\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(f^{-1}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(F)))))) \subseteq f^{-1}(F)$ for each IVF closed set F in Y .
- (4) $\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(f^{-1}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(B))))))) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{cl}(B))$ for each $B \in \text{IVF}(Y)$.
- (5) $f^{-1}(\text{int}(B)) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(f^{-1}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(B))))))$ for each $B \in \text{IVF}(Y)$.
- (6) $\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(f^{-1}(\text{cl}(V))))) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{cl}(V))$ for an IVF regular open set V in Y .
- (7) $f^{-1}(F)$ is IVF α -closed for an IVF regular closed set F in Y .
- (1) $f^{-1}(V)$ is IVF α -open for an IVF regular open set V in Y .

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2) Let B be an IVF open set in Y . Then for each $M_x \in f^{-1}(B)$, there exists an IVF α -open set U of M_x such that $f(U) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(B))$. Since U is IVF α -open, $M_x \in U \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(U))) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(f^{-1}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(B))))))$. Hence the statement (2) is obtained.

(2) \Rightarrow (1) For an IVF point M_x in X and V an IVF open set containing $f(M_x)$, by (2), $M_x \in f^{-1}(V) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(f^{-1}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(V))))))$. Put $U = f^{-1}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(V))) \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(f^{-1}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(V))))))$; then by Lemma 3.3, U is an IVF α -open set U containing M_x such that $M_x \in U \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(V)))$. This implies $f(U) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(V))$, and so hence f is IVF almost continuous.

(2) \Rightarrow (3) Let F be any IVF closed set of Y . Then since $1-F$ is IVF open, from (2) and Theorem 2.2, it follows

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(1-F) &\subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(f^{-1}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(1-F)))))) \\ &= \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(f^{-1}(1-\text{cl}(\text{int}(F)))))) \\ &= \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(1-f^{-1}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(F)))))) \\ &= 1-\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(f^{-1}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(F)))))). \end{aligned}$$

It implies $\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(f^{-1}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(F)))))) \subseteq f^{-1}(F)$.

(3) \Rightarrow (4) Obvious.

(4) \Rightarrow (5) For $B \in \text{IVF}(Y)$, from hypothesis and Theorem 2.2, it follows

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(\text{int}(B)) &= 1-(f^{-1}(\text{cl}(1-B))) \\ &\subseteq 1-\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(f^{-1}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(1-B)))))) \\ &= \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(f^{-1}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(B)))))). \end{aligned}$$

Hence $f^{-1}(\text{int}(B)) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(f^{-1}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(B))))))$.

(5) \Rightarrow (6) Let V be any IVF regular open set of Y . Then since $1-V$ is IVF regular closed, it follows

$$\begin{aligned} 1-f^{-1}(\text{cl}(V)) &= f^{-1}(\text{int}(1-V)) \\ &\subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(f^{-1}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(1-V)))))) \\ &= \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(f^{-1}(\text{int}(1-V)))))) \\ &= \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(1-(f^{-1}(\text{cl}(V)))))) \\ &= 1-\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(f^{-1}(\text{cl}(V))))). \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have $\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(f^{-1}(\text{cl}(V)))))) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{cl}(V))$.

(6) \Rightarrow (7) Let F be any IVF regular closed set in Y . Then $\text{int}(F)$ is IVF regular open and by (6) and $\text{cl}(\text{int}(F)) = F$, $\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(f^{-1}(F)))) \subseteq f^{-1}(F)$, and so F is IVF α -closed.

(7) \Rightarrow (8) Obvious.

(8) \Rightarrow (1) Let V be an IVF open set containing $f(M_x)$. Since $\text{int}(\text{cl}(V))$ is IVF regular open, by (8) and $V \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(V))$, $f^{-1}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(V)))$ is an IVF α -open set containing M_x . Set $U = f^{-1}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(V)))$. Then U is an IVF α -open set satisfying $f(U) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(V))$. Thus f is an IVF almost α -continuous mapping.

Theorem 3.5. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a mapping between IVFTS's (X, τ_1) and (Y, τ_2) . Then the following are equivalent:

- (1) f is IVF almost α -continuous.
- (2) $\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(f^{-1}(G)))) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{cl}(G))$ for each IVF β -open set G in Y .
- (3) $\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(f^{-1}(G)))) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{cl}(G))$ for each IVF semi-open set G in Y .

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2) Let G be an IVF β -open set. Then $G \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(G)))$ and $\text{cl}(G)$ is an IVF regular closed set. Hence from the IVF almost α -continuity, it follows $\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(f^{-1}(G)))) \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(f^{-1}(\text{cl}(G))))) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{cl}(G))$.

(2) \Rightarrow (3) It is obvious since every IVF semiopen set is IVF β -open.

(3) \Rightarrow (1) Let F be an IVF regular closed set. Then F is IVF semiopen, and so from (3), we have

$$\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(f^{-1}(F)))) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{cl}(F)) = f^{-1}(F).$$

This implies $f^{-1}(F)$ is IVF α -closed. Hence, from Theorem 3.4 (7), f is an IVF almost α -continuous mapping.

Theorem 3.6. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a mapping between IVFTS's (X, τ_1) and (Y, τ_2) . Then f is IVF almost α -continuous if and only if $\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(f^{-1}(\text{cl}(G))))) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{cl}(G))$ for each IVF preopen set G in Y .

Proof. Suppose f is IVF almost α -continuous. Let G be an IVF preopen set in Y . Then we have $\text{cl}(G) = \text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(G)))$. Set $U = \text{int}(\text{cl}(G))$; then by Theorem 3.4 (4), $\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(f^{-1}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(U))))))) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{cl}(U))$.

From $\text{cl}(U) = \text{cl}(G)$ and $\text{cl}(G) = \text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(G)))$, it follows $\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(f^{-1}(\text{cl}(G))))) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{cl}(G))$.

For the converse, let A be an IVF regular closed set in Y . Then $\text{int}(A)$ is IVF preopen. From hypothesis and $\text{cl}(\text{int}(A)) = A$, it follows $\text{cl}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(f^{-1}(A)))) \subseteq f^{-1}(A)$. This implies $f^{-1}(A)$ is IVF α -closed and hence f is IVF almost α -continuous.

Theorem 3.7. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a mapping between IVFTS's (X, τ_1) and (Y, τ_2) . Then f is IVF almost α -continuous if and only if $f^{-1}(G) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(f^{-1}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(G))))))$ for each IVF preopen set G in Y .

Proof. Suppose f is IVF almost α -continuous and let G be an IVF preopen set in Y . Then $\text{int}(\text{cl}(G))$ is IVF regular open. From Theorem 3.4, we have

$$f^{-1}(G) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(G))) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(f^{-1}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(G)))))).$$

For the converse, let U be IVF regular open. Then U is obviously IVF preopen. By hypothesis, $f^{-1}(U) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(f^{-1}(\text{int}(\text{cl}(U)))))) = \text{int}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(f^{-1}(U))))$. So $f^{-1}(U)$ is IVF α -open, and hence f is IVF almost α -continuous.

Definition 3.8 ([7]). An IVFTS (X, τ) is said to be IVF semi-regular if for each IVF open set U of X and each IVF point $M_x \in U$ there exists an IVF regular open set V of X such that $M_x \in V \subseteq U$.

Theorem 3.9. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a mapping on IVFTS's

(X, τ_1) and (Y, τ_2) . If f is IVF almost α -continuous and Y is IVF semi-regular, then f is IVF α -continuous.

Proof. Let M_x be an IVF point in X and U be an IVF open set in Y containing $f(M_x)$. By the IVF semi-regularity of Y , there exists an IVF regular open V of Y such that $f(M_x) \in V \subseteq U$. Since f is IVF almost α -continuous, $f^{-1}(V)$ is an IVF α -open set containing M_x . Set $G = f^{-1}(V)$; then G is an IVF α -open set containing M_x such that $f(M_x) \in f(G) \subseteq U$. Hence f is IVF α -continuous.

Definition 3.10. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a mapping on IVFTS's (X, τ_1) and (Y, τ_2) . Then f is said to be IVF almost α^* -open if $f(U) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(f(U)))$ for each IVF α -open set U in X .

Definition 3.11. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a mapping on IVFTS's (X, τ_1) and (Y, τ_2) . If f is IVF weakly α -continuous and IVF almost α^* -open, then f is IVF almost α -continuous.

Proof. Let M_x be an IVF point in X and U be an IVF open set in Y containing $f(M_x)$. By the IVF weakly α -continuity, there exists an IVF α -open set V in Y such that $f(V) \subseteq \text{cl}(U)$. Since f is IVF almost α^* -open, $f(V) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(f(V))) \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(U))$. This implies f is IVF almost α -continuous.

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