

Fuzzy Volterra Spaces and Functions

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Abstract

In this paper some results concerning functions that preserve fuzzy Volterra spaces in the context of images and preimages are obtained. Several examples are given to illustrate the concepts introduced in this paper.

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INTRODUCTION

The concept of fuzzy sets and fuzzy set operations were first introduced by L.A.ZADEH in his classical paper [14] in the year 1965. Thereafter the paper of C.L.CHANG [3] in 1968 paved the way for the subsequent tremendous growth of the numerous fuzzy topological concepts. Since then much attention has been paid to generalize the basic concepts of General Topology in fuzzy setting and thus a modern theory of fuzzy topology has been developed. The concepts of Volterra spaces have been studied extensively in classical topology in [4] , [5] , [6] [7] and [8] .The concept of Volterra spaces in fuzzy setting was introduced and studied by the authors in [12] .In this paper some results concerning functions that preserve fuzzy Volterra spaces in the context of images and preimages are obtained. Several examples are given to illustrate the concepts introduced in this paper.

2. PRELIMINARIES

By a fuzzy topological space we shall mean a non – empty set X together with a fuzzy

topology T (in the sense of Chang) and denote it by (X, T) .

DEFINITION 2.1: Let λ and μ be any two fuzzy sets in (X, T) . Then we define $\lambda \vee \mu: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ as follows: $(\lambda \vee \mu)(x) = \text{Max} \{ \lambda(x), \mu(x) \}$. Also we define $\lambda \wedge \mu: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ as follows: $(\lambda \wedge \mu)(x) = \text{Min} \{ \lambda(x), \mu(x) \}$.

DEFINITION 2.2: Let (X, T) be any fuzzy topological space and λ be any fuzzy set in (X, T) . We define $\text{Cl}(\lambda) = \bigwedge \{ \mu / \lambda \leq \mu, 1 - \mu \in T \}$ and $\text{int}(\lambda) = \bigvee \{ \mu / \mu \leq \lambda, \mu \in T \}$.

For any fuzzy set in a fuzzy topological space (X, T) , it is easy to see that $1 - \text{cl}(\lambda) = \text{int}(1 - \lambda)$ and $1 - \text{int}(\lambda) = \text{cl}(1 - \lambda)$ [1].

DEFINITION 2.3: Let (X, T) and (Y, S) be any two fuzzy topological spaces. Let f be a function from the fuzzy topological space (X, T) to the fuzzy topological space (Y, S) . Let λ be a fuzzy set in (Y, S) . The inverse image of λ under f written as $f^{-1}(\lambda)$ is the fuzzy set in (X, T) defined by $f^{-1}(\lambda)(x) = \lambda(f(x))$ for all $x \in X$. Also the image of λ in (X, T) under f written as $f(\lambda)$ is the fuzzy set in (Y, S) defined by

$$f(\lambda)(y) = \begin{cases} \sup_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} \lambda(x) & \text{if } f^{-1}(y) \text{ is non-empty;} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad \text{for each } y \in Y.$$

Lemma 2.1 [3] : Let $f: (X, T) \rightarrow (Y, S)$ be a mapping. For fuzzy sets λ and μ of (X, T) and (Y, S) respectively, the following statements hold.

1. $f f^{-1}(\mu) \leq \mu$;
2. $f^{-1} f(\lambda) \geq \lambda$;
3. $f(1 - \lambda) \geq 1 - f(\lambda)$;
4. $f^{-1}(1 - \mu) = 1 - f^{-1}(\mu)$;
5. If f is injective, then $f^{-1} f(\lambda) = \lambda$;
6. If f is surjective, then $f f^{-1}(\mu) = \mu$;
7. If f is bijective, then $f(1 - \lambda) = 1 - f(\lambda)$

DEFINITION 2.4 [9] : A fuzzy set λ in a fuzzy topological space (X, T) is called fuzzy dense if there exists no fuzzy closed set μ in (X, T) such that $\lambda < \mu < 1$.

DEFINITION 2.5 [10] : A fuzzy set λ in a fuzzy topological space (X, T) is called fuzzy nowhere dense if there exists no non-zero fuzzy open set μ in (X, T) such that $\mu < \text{cl}(\lambda)$. That is, $\text{int cl}(\lambda) = 0$.

DEFINITION 2.6 [9] : A fuzzy set λ in a fuzzy topological space (X, T) is called fuzzy first category if $\lambda = \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} (\lambda_i)$, where λ_i 's are fuzzy nowhere dense sets in (X, T) .

Any other fuzzy set in (X, T) is said to be of second category.

DEFINITION 2.7 [2] : A fuzzy set λ in a fuzzy topological space (X, T) is called a fuzzy G_δ -set in (X, T) if $\lambda = \bigwedge_{i=1}^{\infty} \lambda_i$ where $\lambda_i \in T$ for $i \in I$.

Lemma 2.2 [1] : For a family of $\{\lambda_\alpha\}$ of fuzzy sets of a fuzzy topological space (X, T) , $\vee \text{cl}(\lambda_\alpha) \leq \text{cl}(\vee \lambda_\alpha)$. In case \mathcal{A} is a finite set, $\vee \text{cl}(\lambda_\alpha) = \text{cl}(\vee \lambda_\alpha)$. Also $\vee \text{int}(\lambda_\alpha) \leq \text{int}(\vee \lambda_\alpha)$.

DEFINITION 2.8 [9] : A function $f: (X, T) \rightarrow (Y, S)$ from a fuzzy topological space (X, T) into another fuzzy topological space (Y, S) is called somewhat fuzzy continuous if $\lambda \in S$ and $f^{-1}(\lambda) \neq 0$ implies that there exist a fuzzy open set δ in (X, T) such that $\delta \neq 0$ and $\delta \leq f^{-1}(\lambda)$.

DEFINITION 2.9 [9] : A function $f: (X, T) \rightarrow (Y, S)$ from a fuzzy topological space (X, T) into another fuzzy topological space (Y, S) is called somewhat fuzzy open if $\lambda \in T$ and $\lambda \neq 0$ implies that there exists a fuzzy open set η in (Y, S) such that $\eta \neq 0$ and $\eta \leq f(\lambda)$.

3. FUZZY VOLTERRA SPACES

DEFINITION 3.1 [12] : A fuzzy topological space (X, T) is called a fuzzy Volterra space if $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$, where λ_i 's are fuzzy dense and fuzzy G_δ sets in (X, T) .

DEFINITION 3.2 [12] : A fuzzy topological space (X, T) is called a fuzzy weakly Volterra space if $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) \neq 0$, where λ_i 's are fuzzy dense and fuzzy G_δ -sets in (X, T) .

THEOREM 3.1 [11] : If λ is a fuzzy dense and fuzzy G_δ -set in a fuzzy topological space (X, T) , then $1 - \lambda$ is a fuzzy first category set in (X, T) .

THEOREM 3.2 [10] : Let (X, T) be a fuzzy topological space. Then the following are equivalent:

1. (X, T) is a fuzzy Baire space.
2. $\text{Int}(\lambda) = 0$ for every fuzzy first category set λ in (X, T) .
3. $\text{cl}(\mu) = 1$ for every fuzzy residual set μ in (X, T) .

PROPOSITION 3.1: A fuzzy topological space (X, T) is a fuzzy Volterra space, if and only if $\text{int}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N (1 - \lambda_i)) = 0$, where λ_i 's ($i = 1$ to N) are fuzzy dense and fuzzy G_δ sets in (X, T) .

PROOF: : Let (X, T) be a fuzzy Volterra space and λ_i 's ($i = 1$ to N) be fuzzy dense and fuzzy G_δ sets in (X, T) . Then we have $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$. Now $\text{int}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N (1 - \lambda_i)) = \text{int}(1 - \bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1 - \text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1 - 1 = 0$.

Conversely let $\text{int}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N (1 - \lambda_i)) = 0$, where λ_i 's ($i = 1$ to N) are fuzzy dense and fuzzy G_δ sets in (X, T) . Then, $\text{int}(1 - [\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)]) = 0$, which implies that $(1 - \text{cl}[\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)]) = 0$. Then $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$. Hence (X, T) is a fuzzy Volterra space.

PROPOSITION 3.2: If every fuzzy first category set in (X, T) is formed from the fuzzy dense and fuzzy G_δ sets in a fuzzy Volterra space, then (X, T) is a fuzzy Baire space.

PROOF: Let λ_i 's ($i = 1$ to N) be fuzzy dense and fuzzy G_δ sets in (X, T) .

Since (X, T) is a fuzzy Volterra space, by proposition 3.1, $\text{int}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N (1 - \lambda_i)) = 0$. By Lemma 2.2 [1], we have $\bigvee_{i=1}^N \text{int}(1 - \lambda_i) \leq \text{int}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N (1 - \lambda_i))$, which implies that $\bigvee_{i=1}^N \text{int}(1 - \lambda_i) = 0$. Then $\text{int}(1 - \lambda_i) = 0$. Since λ_i 's ($i = 1$ to N) are fuzzy dense and fuzzy G_δ sets in (X, T) , by theorem 3.1, $(1 - \lambda_i)$'s are fuzzy first category sets in (X, T) . By theorem 3.2, (X, T) is a fuzzy Baire space. Hence if every fuzzy first category set in (X, T) is formed from the fuzzy dense and fuzzy G_δ sets in a fuzzy Volterra space, then (X, T) is a fuzzy Baire space.

4. FUZZY VOLTERRA SPACES AND FUNCTIONS

Let f be a function from the fuzzy topological space (X, T) to the fuzzy topological space (Y, S) . Under what conditions on " f " may we assert that if (X, T) is a fuzzy Volterra space, then (Y, S) is a fuzzy Volterra space? It may be noticed that the fuzzy continuous image of a fuzzy Volterra space may fail to be a fuzzy Volterra space. For, consider the following example:

EXAMPLE 4.1: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$. The fuzzy sets $\lambda, \mu, \nu, \alpha, \beta$ and η are defined on X as follows:

$\lambda: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is defined as $\lambda(a) = 1; \lambda(b) = 0.2; \lambda(c) = 0.9$.

$\mu: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is defined as $\mu(a) = 0.3; \mu(b) = 1; \mu(c) = 0.2$.

$\nu: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is defined as $\nu(a) = 0.7; \nu(b) = 0.4; \nu(c) = 1$.

$\alpha: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is defined as $\alpha(a) = 0.9; \alpha(b) = 1; \alpha(c) = 0.2$.

$\beta: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is defined as $\beta(a) = 0.2; \beta(b) = 0.3; \beta(c) = 1$.

$\eta: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is defined as $\eta(a) = 1; \eta(b) = 0.7; \eta(c) = 0.4$.

Then, $T = \{0, \lambda, \mu, \nu, (\lambda \vee \mu), (\lambda \vee \nu), (\mu \vee \nu), (\lambda \wedge \mu), (\lambda \wedge \nu), (\mu \wedge \nu), (\lambda \vee [\mu \wedge \nu]), (\mu \vee [\lambda \wedge \nu]), (\nu \wedge [\lambda \vee \mu]), 1\}$ and $S = \{0, \alpha, \beta, \eta, (\alpha \vee \beta), (\alpha \vee \eta), (\beta \vee \eta), (\alpha \wedge \beta), (\alpha \wedge \eta), (\beta \wedge \eta), (\alpha \vee [\beta \wedge \eta]), (\beta \vee [\alpha \wedge \eta]), (\eta \wedge [\alpha \vee \beta]), 1\}$ are fuzzy topologies on X .

Now $\lambda \wedge \nu = \{(\mu \vee [\lambda \wedge \nu]) \wedge (\nu \wedge [\lambda \vee \mu]) \wedge (\nu) \wedge (\lambda)\}$ and $(\nu \wedge [\lambda \vee \mu]) = \{(\lambda \vee \mu) \wedge (\lambda \vee [\mu \wedge \nu]) \wedge (\lambda \vee \nu)\}$. Then $(\lambda \wedge \nu)$ and $(\nu \wedge [\lambda \vee \mu])$ are fuzzy G_δ sets in (X, T) and $\text{cl}(\lambda \wedge \nu) = 1$ and $\text{cl}(\nu \wedge [\lambda \vee \mu]) = 1$. Since $\text{cl}([\lambda \wedge \nu] \wedge (\nu \wedge [\lambda \vee \mu])) = 1$, the fuzzy topological space (X, T) is a fuzzy Volterra space. Now $\alpha = \{(\alpha) \wedge (\alpha \vee \beta) \wedge (\alpha \vee [\beta \wedge \eta])\}$, $(\alpha \wedge \eta) = \{(\eta) \wedge (\alpha \vee \eta) \wedge (\alpha \wedge \eta) \wedge (\eta \wedge [\alpha \vee \beta])\}$ and $\beta = \{(\beta) \wedge (\beta \vee \eta) \wedge (\beta \vee [\alpha \wedge \eta])\}$. Then $\alpha, (\alpha \wedge \eta)$ and β are fuzzy G_δ sets in (X, S) and $\text{cl}(\alpha) = 1$, $\text{cl}(\beta) = 1$, $\text{cl}(\alpha \wedge \eta) = 1$. Since $\text{cl}(\alpha \wedge \beta \wedge (\alpha \wedge \eta)) = 1 - (\beta \wedge \eta) \neq 1$, the fuzzy topological space (X, S) is not a fuzzy Volterra space.

Define a function $f: (X, T) \rightarrow (X, S)$ by $f(a) = b$ and $f(b) = c$ and $f(c) = a$. Clearly f is a fuzzy continuous function from the fuzzy Volterra space (X, T) to the fuzzy

topological space (X, S) , which is not a fuzzy Volterra space. It may be also noticed that the image of a fuzzy Volterra space under a fuzzy open function may fail to be a fuzzy Volterra space. For, consider the following example.

EXAMPLE 4.2: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$. The fuzzy sets λ, μ, ν and δ are defined on X as follows:

$\lambda: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is defined as $\lambda(a) = 1; \lambda(b) = 0.2; \lambda(c) = 0.9$.

$\mu: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is defined as $\mu(a) = 0.3; \mu(b) = 1; \mu(c) = 0.2$.

$\nu: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is defined as $\nu(a) = 0.7; \nu(b) = 0.4; \nu(c) = 1$.

$\delta: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is defined as $\delta(a) = 0.5; \delta(b) = 0.6; \delta(c) = 0.4$.

Then, $T = \{0, \lambda, \mu, \nu, \lambda \vee \mu, \lambda \vee \nu, \mu \vee \nu, \lambda \wedge \mu, \lambda \wedge \nu, \mu \wedge \nu, \lambda \vee [\mu \wedge \nu], \mu \vee [\lambda \wedge \nu], \nu \wedge [\lambda \vee \mu], 1\}$ and $S = \{0, \lambda, \mu, \nu, \delta, \lambda \vee \mu, \lambda \vee \nu, \lambda \vee \delta, \mu \vee \nu, \mu \vee \delta, \nu \vee \delta, \lambda \wedge \mu, \lambda \wedge \nu, \lambda \wedge \delta, \mu \wedge \nu, \mu \wedge \delta, \nu \wedge \delta, \lambda \vee [\mu \wedge \nu], \mu \vee [\lambda \wedge \nu], \delta \vee [\lambda \wedge \nu], \nu \wedge [\lambda \vee \mu], 1\}$ are fuzzy topologies on X . Now $\lambda \wedge \nu = \{(\mu \vee [\lambda \wedge \nu]) \wedge \nu \wedge [\lambda \vee \mu] \wedge \lambda\}$ and $\nu \wedge [\lambda \vee \mu] = \{(\lambda \vee \mu) \wedge (\lambda \vee [\mu \wedge \nu]) \wedge (\lambda \vee \nu)\}$. Then $\lambda \wedge \nu$ and $(\nu \wedge [\lambda \vee \mu])$ are fuzzy G_δ sets in (X, T) and $\text{cl}(\lambda \wedge \nu) = 1$ and $\text{cl}(\nu \wedge [\lambda \vee \mu]) = 1$. Since $\text{cl}([\lambda \wedge \nu] \wedge (\nu \wedge [\lambda \vee \mu])) = 1$, the fuzzy topological space (X, T) is a fuzzy Volterra space.

Now consider the following fuzzy sets in the fuzzy topological space (X, S) . $\lambda = \{(\lambda) \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu) \wedge (\lambda \vee \nu) \wedge [\lambda \vee \delta] \wedge (\lambda \vee [\mu \wedge \nu])\}$, $\mu = \{(\mu) \wedge (\mu \vee \nu) \wedge [\mu \vee \delta] \wedge (\mu \vee [\lambda \wedge \nu])\}$ and $(\lambda \wedge \nu) = \{(\nu) \wedge (\nu \wedge \delta) \wedge (\lambda \wedge \nu) \wedge (\delta \vee [\lambda \wedge \nu]) \wedge (\nu \wedge [\lambda \vee \mu])\}$.

Then $\lambda, \mu, (\lambda \wedge \nu)$ are fuzzy G_δ sets in (X, S) and $\text{cl}(\lambda) = 1, \text{cl}(\mu) = 1, \text{cl}(\lambda \wedge \nu) = 1$.

Since $\text{cl}(\lambda \wedge \mu \wedge [\lambda \wedge \nu]) = 1 - \delta \neq 1$, the fuzzy topological space (X, S) is not a fuzzy Volterra space.

Define a function $f: (X, T) \rightarrow (X, S)$ by $f(a) = a, f(b) = b$ and $f(c) = c$.

Clearly f is an fuzzy open function from the fuzzy Volterra space (X, T) to the fuzzy topological space (X, S) , which is not a fuzzy Volterra Space.

PROPOSITION 4.1: If a function $f: (X, T) \rightarrow (Y, S)$ from a fuzzy topological space (X, T) into another fuzzy topological space (Y, S) is fuzzy continuous, 1-1 and if δ is a fuzzy dense set in (X, T) , then $f(\delta)$ is a fuzzy dense set in (Y, S) .

PROOF: Suppose $f(\delta)$ is not a fuzzy dense set in (Y, S) . Then there exists a fuzzy closed set η in (Y, S) such that $f(\delta) < \eta < 1$. Then $f^{-1}f(\delta) < f^{-1}(\eta) < f^{-1}(1)$.

Since f is 1-1, $f^{-1}f(\delta) = \delta$. Hence we have $\delta < f^{-1}(\eta) < 1$. Since f is fuzzy continuous and η is a fuzzy closed set in (Y, S) , $f^{-1}(\eta)$ is a fuzzy closed set in (X, T) . Then $\text{cl}(\delta) \neq 1$, which is a contradiction to δ being a fuzzy dense set in (X, T) . Therefore $f(\delta)$ is a fuzzy dense set in (Y, S) .

THEOREM 4.1 [13]: Let $f: (X, T) \rightarrow (Y, S)$ be a fuzzy open function. Then for every fuzzy set β in (Y, S) , $f^{-1}(\text{cl}(\beta)) \leq \text{cl}(f^{-1}(\beta))$.

PROPOSITION 4.2: If a function $f: (X, T) \rightarrow (Y, S)$ from a fuzzy topological space (X, T) onto another fuzzy topological space (Y, S) is fuzzy open and if λ is a fuzzy

dense set in (Y, S) then $f^{-1}(\lambda)$ is a fuzzy dense set in (X, T) .

PROOF: Let λ be a fuzzy dense set in (Y, S) . Then we have $\text{cl}(\lambda) = 1$. Since f is a fuzzy open function, by theorem 4.1, $f^{-1}(\text{cl}(\lambda)) \leq \text{cl}(f^{-1}(\lambda))$. Then $f^{-1}(1) \leq \text{cl}(f^{-1}(\lambda))$, which implies that $1 \leq \text{cl}(f^{-1}(\lambda))$. That is, $\text{cl}(f^{-1}(\lambda)) = 1$. Hence $f^{-1}(\lambda)$ is a fuzzy dense set in (X, T) .

PROPOSITION 4.3: If the function $f: (X, T) \rightarrow (Y, S)$ from a fuzzy topological space (X, T) onto another fuzzy topological space (Y, S) is fuzzy continuous, 1-1 and fuzzy open function and if (X, T) is a fuzzy Volterra space, then (Y, S) is a fuzzy Volterra space.

PROOF: Let (X, T) be a fuzzy Volterra space and λ_i 's ($i = 1$ to N) be fuzzy dense and fuzzy G_δ sets in (Y, S) . Then $\text{cl}(\lambda_i) = 1$ and $\lambda_i = \bigwedge_{j=1}^{\infty}(\delta_{ij})$, where δ_{ij} 's are fuzzy open sets in (Y, S) . Now $f^{-1}(\lambda_i) = f^{-1}(\bigwedge_{j=1}^{\infty}(\delta_{ij})) = \bigwedge_{j=1}^{\infty} f^{-1}(\delta_{ij})$.

Since f is fuzzy continuous and δ_{ij} 's are fuzzy open sets in (Y, S) , $f^{-1}(\delta_{ij})$'s are fuzzy open sets in (X, T) . Hence $\bigwedge_{j=1}^{\infty} f^{-1}(\delta_{ij})$ is a fuzzy G_δ set in (X, T) .

Then $f^{-1}(\lambda_i)$ is a fuzzy G_δ set in (X, T) ($i = 1$ to N).

Now λ_i is a fuzzy dense set in (Y, S) . Since f is a fuzzy open function from (X, T) onto (Y, S) , by proposition 4.2, $f^{-1}(\lambda_i)$ is a fuzzy dense set in (X, T) . Since (X, T) is a fuzzy Volterra space, we have $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N f^{-1}(\lambda_i)) = 1$, where $f^{-1}(\lambda_i)$'s are fuzzy dense and fuzzy G_δ sets in (X, T) . Then, $\text{cl}(f^{-1}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N(\lambda_i))) = 1$.

That is, $f^{-1}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N(\lambda_i))$ is fuzzy dense in (X, T) . Since f is fuzzy continuous and 1-1, by proposition 4.1, $f(f^{-1}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N(\lambda_i)))$ is a fuzzy dense set in (Y, S) . That is, $\text{cl}(f(f^{-1}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N(\lambda_i)))) = 1 \dots \dots \dots (A)$. Since f is onto, $f(f^{-1}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N(\lambda_i))) = \bigwedge_{i=1}^N(\lambda_i)$. Then, from (A), we have $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N(\lambda_i)) = 1$. Therefore (Y, S) is a fuzzy Volterra space.

THEOREM 4.2 [9] : Suppose (X, T) and (Y, S) be fuzzy topological spaces. Let $f: (X, T) \rightarrow (Y, S)$ be an onto function. Then the following conditions are equivalent.

1. f is somewhat fuzzy open.
2. If λ is a fuzzy dense set in (Y, S) , then $f^{-1}(\lambda)$ is a fuzzy dense set in (X, T) .

PROPOSITION 4.4: If the function $f: (X, T) \rightarrow (Y, S)$ from a fuzzy topological space (X, T) onto another fuzzy topological space (Y, S) is fuzzy continuous, 1-1 and somewhat fuzzy open function, then (X, T) is a fuzzy Volterra space if and only if (Y, S) is a fuzzy Volterra space.

PROOF: Let (X, T) be a fuzzy Volterra space and λ_i 's ($i = 1$ to N) be fuzzy dense and fuzzy G_δ sets in (Y, S) . Then $\text{cl}(\lambda_i) = 1$ and $\lambda_i = \bigwedge_{j=1}^{\infty}(\delta_{ij})$, where δ_{ij} 's are fuzzy open sets in (Y, S) . Hence $f^{-1}(\lambda_i) = f^{-1}(\bigwedge_{j=1}^{\infty}(\delta_{ij})) = \bigwedge_{j=1}^{\infty} f^{-1}(\delta_{ij})$.

Since f is fuzzy continuous and δ_{ij} 's are fuzzy open sets in (Y, S) , $f^{-1}(\delta_{ij})$'s are fuzzy open sets in (X, T) . Hence $\bigwedge_{j=1}^{\infty} f^{-1}(\delta_{ij})$ is a fuzzy G_δ set in (X, T) .

Then $f^{-1}(\lambda_i)$ is a fuzzy G_δ set in (X, T) ($i = 1$ to N).

Now λ_i is a fuzzy dense set in (Y, S) . Since f is a somewhat fuzzy open function from (X, T) onto (Y, S) , by theorem 4.2, $f^{-1}(\lambda_i)$ is a fuzzy dense set in (X, T) . Since (X, T) is a fuzzy Volterra space, we have $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N f^{-1}(\lambda_i)) = 1$, where $f^{-1}(\lambda_i)$'s are fuzzy dense and fuzzy G_δ sets in (X, T) . Then, $\text{cl}(f^{-1}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N \lambda_i)) = 1$.

That is, $f^{-1}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N \lambda_i)$ is fuzzy dense in (X, T) . Since f is fuzzy continuous and 1-1, by proposition 4.1, $f(f^{-1}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N \lambda_i))$ is a fuzzy dense set in (Y, S) . That is, $\text{cl}(f(f^{-1}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N \lambda_i))) = 1$ (A). Since f is onto, $f(f^{-1}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N \lambda_i)) = \bigwedge_{i=1}^N \lambda_i$. Then, from (A), we have $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N \lambda_i) = 1$. Therefore (Y, S) is a fuzzy Volterra space.

Conversely, let (Y, S) be a fuzzy Volterra space and λ_i 's ($i = 1$ to N) be fuzzy dense and fuzzy G_δ sets in (Y, S) . Then $\text{cl}(\lambda_i) = 1$ and $\lambda_i = \bigwedge_{j=1}^\infty (\delta_{ij})$, where δ_{ij} 's are fuzzy open sets in (Y, S) . Hence $f^{-1}(\lambda_i) = f^{-1}(\bigwedge_{j=1}^\infty (\delta_{ij})) = \bigwedge_{j=1}^\infty f^{-1}(\delta_{ij})$. Since f is fuzzy continuous, $f^{-1}(\delta_{ij})$'s are fuzzy open sets in (X, T) . Hence $f^{-1}(\lambda_i)$ is a fuzzy G_δ set in (X, T) . Since f is a somewhat fuzzy open function from (X, T) onto (Y, S) , by theorem 4.2, $f^{-1}(\lambda_i)$ is a fuzzy dense set in (X, T) . Therefore $f^{-1}(\lambda_i)$'s are fuzzy dense and fuzzy G_δ sets in (X, T) .

Now we claim that $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (f^{-1}(\lambda_i))) = 1$. Suppose that $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (f^{-1}(\lambda_i))) \neq 1$. Then $1 - \text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (f^{-1}(\lambda_i))) \neq 0$, which implies that $\text{int}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N [1 - (f^{-1}(\lambda_i))]) = \text{int}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N [f^{-1}(1 - \lambda_i)]) \neq 0$. Then there will be a non-zero fuzzy open set η_i in (X, T) such that $\eta_i \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^N [f^{-1}(1 - \lambda_i)]$. Then $f(\eta_i) \leq f(\bigvee_{i=1}^N [f^{-1}(1 - \lambda_i)]) \leq (\bigvee_{i=1}^N [f(f^{-1}(1 - \lambda_i))])$. Since f is onto, $f(f^{-1}(1 - \lambda_i)) = (1 - \lambda_i)$. Hence $f(\eta_i) \leq (\bigvee_{i=1}^N (1 - \lambda_i)) = 1 - (\bigwedge_{i=1}^N \lambda_i)$. Then, $\text{int}[f(\eta_i)] \leq \text{int}[1 - (\bigwedge_{i=1}^N \lambda_i)]$ implies that $\text{int}[f(\eta_i)] \leq 1 - \text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N \lambda_i) = 1 - 1 = 0$ (since (Y, S) is a fuzzy Volterra space $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N \lambda_i) = 1$). That is, $\text{int}[f(\eta_i)] = 0$. But this is a contradiction to f being a somewhat fuzzy open function for which $\text{int}[f(\eta_i)] \neq 0$. Therefore (X, T) is a fuzzy Volterra space.

THEOREM 4.3 [9] : Let (X, T) and (Y, S) be any two fuzzy topological spaces. Let $f: (X, T) \rightarrow (Y, S)$ be a function. Then the following are equivalent.

1. f is somewhat fuzzy continuous .
2. If λ is a fuzzy closed set of (Y, S) such that $f^{-1}(\lambda) \neq 1$, then there exists a proper fuzzy closed set μ of (X, T) such that $\mu > f^{-1}(\lambda)$.
3. If λ is a fuzzy dense set in (Y, S) , then $f^{-1}(\lambda)$ is a fuzzy dense set in (X, T) .

PROPOSITION 4.5: If the function $f: (X, T) \rightarrow (Y, S)$ from a fuzzy topological space (X, T) onto another fuzzy topological space (Y, S) is somewhat fuzzy continuous, 1-1 and fuzzy open function, then (X, T) is a fuzzy Volterra space if and only if (Y, S) is a fuzzy Volterra space.

PROOF: Let (X, T) be a fuzzy Volterra space and λ_i 's ($i = 1$ to N) be fuzzy dense and fuzzy G_δ sets in (X, T) . Then $\text{Cl}(\lambda_i) = 1$ and $\lambda_i = \bigwedge_{j=1}^\infty (\delta_{ij})$, where δ_{ij} 's are fuzzy open sets in (X, T) . Since f is a fuzzy open function, δ_{ij} 's are fuzzy open sets in (X, T) implies that $f(\delta_{ij})$'s are fuzzy open sets in (Y, S) . Hence $\bigwedge_{j=1}^\infty f(\delta_{ij})$ is a

fuzzy G_δ set in (Y, S) . Now $f^{-1}(\bigwedge_{j=1}^\infty f(\delta_{ij})) = \bigwedge_{j=1}^\infty f^{-1}(f(\delta_{ij})) = \bigwedge_{j=1}^\infty (\delta_{ij}) = \lambda_i$ [since f is 1-1, $f^{-1}f(\lambda_i) = \lambda_i$]. Now $f(\lambda_i) = f(f^{-1}(\bigwedge_{j=1}^\infty f(\delta_{ij}))) = \bigwedge_{j=1}^\infty f(\delta_{ij})$. [since f is onto]. Hence $f(\lambda_i)$ is a fuzzy G_δ set in (Y, S) .

Since f is a fuzzy somewhat fuzzy continuous function and λ_i 's ($i = 1$ to N) are fuzzy dense sets in (X, T) , by theorem 4.3, $f(\lambda_i)$'s are fuzzy dense sets in (Y, S) .

Now we claim that $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (f(\lambda_i))) = 1$. Suppose that $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (f(\lambda_i))) \neq 1$.

Then $1 - \text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (f(\lambda_i))) \neq 0$, which implies that $\text{int}(1 - (\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (f(\lambda_i)))) \neq 0$. Then $\text{Int}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N [1 - f(\lambda_i)]) = \text{int}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N [f(1 - \lambda_i)]) \neq 0$ { Since f is both 1-1 and onto, $f(1 - \lambda_i) = 1 - f(\lambda_i)$ }. Then there will be a non-zero fuzzy open set η_i in (Y, S) such that $\eta_i \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^N [f(1 - \lambda_i)]$. Then $f^{-1}(\eta_i) \leq f^{-1}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N [f(1 - \lambda_i)])$. Since f is a somewhat fuzzy continuous function and $\eta_i \in S$, $\text{int}(f^{-1}(\eta_i)) \neq 0$ implies that $\text{int}(f^{-1}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N [f(1 - \lambda_i)])) \neq 0$. Then $\text{int}((\bigvee_{i=1}^N f^{-1}[f(1 - \lambda_i)])) \neq 0$, implies that $\text{int}((\bigvee_{i=1}^N (1 - \lambda_i))) \neq 0$. (Since f is 1-1, $f^{-1}f(\lambda_i) = \lambda_i$). Then $\text{int}(1 - (\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i))) \neq 0$ implies that $1 - \text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) \neq 0$. This implies that $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) \neq 1$, a contradiction to (X, T) being a fuzzy Volterra space. Hence we must have $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (f(\lambda_i))) = 1$, where (λ_i) 's are fuzzy dense and fuzzy G_δ sets in (Y, S) . Therefore (Y, S) is a fuzzy Volterra space.

Conversely, let (Y, S) be a fuzzy Volterra space and λ_i 's ($i = 1$ to N) be fuzzy dense and fuzzy G_δ sets in (X, T) . Then $\text{Cl}(\lambda_i) = 1$ and $\lambda_i = \bigwedge_{j=1}^\infty (\delta_{ij})$, where δ_{ij} 's are fuzzy open sets in (X, T) .

Since f is a somewhat fuzzy continuous function and λ_i 's ($i = 1$ to N) are fuzzy dense sets in (X, T) , by theorem 4.3, $f(\lambda_i)$'s are fuzzy dense sets in (Y, S) . Since f is a fuzzy open function, δ_{ij} 's are fuzzy open sets in (X, T) implies that $f(\delta_{ij})$'s are fuzzy open sets in (Y, S) . Hence $\bigwedge_{j=1}^\infty f(\delta_{ij})$ is a fuzzy G_δ set in (Y, S) . Now $f^{-1}(\bigwedge_{j=1}^\infty f(\delta_{ij})) = \bigwedge_{j=1}^\infty f^{-1}(f(\delta_{ij})) = \bigwedge_{j=1}^\infty (\delta_{ij}) = \lambda_i$ [since f is 1-1, $f^{-1}f((\delta_{ij})) = (\delta_{ij})$]. Now $f(\lambda_i) = f(f^{-1}(\bigwedge_{j=1}^\infty f(\delta_{ij}))) = \bigwedge_{j=1}^\infty f(\delta_{ij})$ [since f is onto, $ff^{-1}((\delta_{ij})) = (\delta_{ij})$]. Hence $f(\lambda_i)$ is a fuzzy G_δ set in (Y, S) . Therefore $f(\lambda_i)$ is a fuzzy dense and fuzzy G_δ sets in (Y, S) .

Now we claim that $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N ((\lambda_i))) = 1$, where λ_i 's ($i = 1$ to N) are fuzzy dense and fuzzy G_δ sets in (X, T) . Suppose that $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N ((\lambda_i))) \neq 1$. Then, $1 - \text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N ((\lambda_i))) \neq 0$, which implies that $\text{int}(1 - (\bigwedge_{i=1}^N ((\lambda_i)))) \neq 0$. Then we have $\text{int}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N [1 - (\lambda_i)]) \neq 0$. Then there will be a non-zero fuzzy open set η_i in (X, T) such that $\eta_i \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^N [(1 - \lambda_i)]$. Then $f(\eta_i) \leq f(\bigvee_{i=1}^N [(1 - \lambda_i)])$. Then $f(\eta_i) \leq (\bigvee_{i=1}^N [f(1 - \lambda_i)])$. Since f is 1-1 and onto, $f(1 - \lambda_i) = 1 - f(\lambda_i)$. Hence $f(\eta_i) \leq (\bigvee_{i=1}^N [1 - f(\lambda_i)]) = 1 - (\bigwedge_{i=1}^N f(\lambda_i))$. Then $\text{int}[f(\eta_i)] \leq \text{int}(1 - (\bigwedge_{i=1}^N f(\lambda_i))) = 1 - \text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N f(\lambda_i)) = 1 - 1 = 0$ (since (Y, S) is a fuzzy Volterra space, we have $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N f(\lambda_i)) = 1$). That is, $\text{int}[f(\eta_i)] = 0$. But this is a contradiction to f being a fuzzy open function for which $\text{int}[f(\eta_i)] = [f(\eta_i)]$. Therefore (X, T) is a fuzzy Volterra space.

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