

## ON FUZZY $rw$ -CLOSED SETS AND FUZZY $rw$ -OPEN SETS IN FUZZY TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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**Abstract:** In this paper, a new class of sets called fuzzy  $rw$ -closed sets and fuzzy  $rw$ -open sets in fuzzy topological spaces are introduced and studied. A fuzzy set  $\alpha$  of a fuzzy topological space  $X$  is said to be fuzzy regular  $w$ -closed (briefly, fuzzy  $rw$ -closed) if  $cl(\alpha) \leq \sigma$  whenever  $\alpha \leq \sigma$  and  $\sigma$  is fuzzy regular semiopen in fuzzy topological space  $X$ . The complement of fuzzy  $rw$ -closed set is called a fuzzy regular  $w$ -open (briefly, fuzzy  $rw$ -open) set in fuzzy topological spaces  $X$ . Some properties of new concept have been studied.

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### 1. Introduction

The concept of a fuzzy subset was introduced and studied by L.A.Zadeh [12] in the year 1965. The subsequent research activities in this area and related areas have found applications in many branches of science and engineering. C.L.Chang [04] introduced and studied fuzzy topological spaces in 1968 as a generalization of topological spaces. Many researchers like R.H.Warren ([10], [11]), K.K.Azad ([01],[02],)

G.Balasubramanian and P.Sundaram [03], S.R.Malghan and S.S.Benchalli ([06], [07]), M.N.Mukherjee and B.Ghosh [09], Anjan.Mukherjee [08], A.N.Zahren [13], J.A.Goguen [05] and many others have contributed to the development of fuzzy topological spaces.

The purpose of this paper is to introduce a new class of fuzzy sets called fuzzy rw-closed sets in fuzzy topological spaces and investigate certain basic properties of these fuzzy sets. Among many other results it is observed that every fuzzy closed set is fuzzy rw-closed but not conversely. Also we introduce fuzzy rw-open sets in fuzzy topological spaces and study some of their properties.

## 2. Preliminaries

**2.1 Definition:** [02] A fuzzy set  $A$  in a fts  $X$  is said to be fuzzy semiopen if and only if there exists a fuzzy open set  $V$  in  $X$  such that  $V \leq A \leq \text{cl}(V)$ .

**2.2 Definition:** [02] A fuzzy set  $A$  in a fts  $X$  is said to be fuzzy semi-closed if and only if there exists a fuzzy closed set  $V$  in  $X$  such that  $\text{int}(V) \leq A \leq V$ .

It is seen that a fuzzy set  $A$  is fuzzy semiopen if and only if  $1-A$  is a fuzzy semi-closed.

**2.3 Theorem:** [02] The following are equivalent:

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| (a) $\lambda$ is a fuzzy semiclosed set, | (c) $\text{int}(\text{cl}(\lambda)) \leq \lambda$     |
| (b) $\lambda^c$ is a fuzzy semiopen set, | (d) $\text{cl}(\text{int}(\lambda^c)) \geq \lambda^c$ |

**2.4 Theorem:** [02] (a) Any union of fuzzy semiopen sets is a fuzzy semiopen set and (b) any intersection of fuzzy semi closed sets is a fuzzy semi closed.

**2.5 Remark:** [02] (i) Every fuzzy open set is a fuzzy semiopen but not conversely.

(ii) Every fuzzy closed set is a fuzzy semi-closed set but not conversely.

(iii) The closure of a fuzzy open set is fuzzy semiopen set

(iv) The interior of a fuzzy closed set is fuzzy semi-closed set

**2.6 Definition:** [02] A fuzzy set  $\lambda$  of a fts  $X$  is called a fuzzy regular open set of  $X$  if  $\text{int}(\text{cl}(\lambda)) = \lambda$

**2.7 Definition:** [02] A fuzzy set  $\lambda$  of fts  $X$  is called a fuzzy regular closed set of  $X$  if  $\text{cl}(\text{int}(\lambda)) = \lambda$ .

**2.8 Theorem:** [02] A fuzzy set  $\lambda$  of a fts  $X$  is a fuzzy regular open if and only if  $\lambda^c$  fuzzy regular closed set.

**2.9 Remark:** [02] (i) Every fuzzy regular open set is a fuzzy open set but not conversely.

(ii) Every fuzzy regular closed set is a fuzzy closed set but not conversely.

**2.10 Theorem:** [02] (i) The closure of a fuzzy open set is a fuzzy regular closed.

(ii) The interior of a fuzzy closed set is a fuzzy regular open set

**2.11 Definition:** [13] A fuzzy set  $\alpha$  of a fuzzy topological space  $X$  is said to be a fuzzy regular semiopen set in fts  $X$  if there exists a fuzzy regular open set  $\sigma$  in  $X$  such that  $\sigma \leq \alpha \leq \text{cl}(\sigma)$ . We denote the class of fuzzy regular semiopen sets in fts  $X$  by  $\text{FRSO}(X)$ .

**2.12 Theorem:** [13] (i) Every fuzzy regular semiopen set is a fuzzy semiopen set but not conversely.

(ii) Every fuzzy regular closed set is a fuzzy regular semiopen set but not conversely.

(iii) Every fuzzy regular open set is a fuzzy regular semiopen set but not conversely.

**2.13 Theorem:** [13] A fuzzy set  $\alpha$  of fts  $X$  is fuzzy regular semiopen if and only if  $\alpha$  is both fuzzy semiopen and fuzzy semi-closed

**2.14 Theorem:** [13] If  $\alpha$  is fuzzy regular semiopen in fts  $X$ , then  $1-\alpha$  is fuzzy regular semiopen in  $X$ .

**2.15 Definition:** [03] A fuzzy set  $\alpha$  in fts  $X$  is called fuzzy generalized closed (gf-closed) if  $\text{cl}(\alpha) \leq \mu$  whenever  $\alpha \leq \mu$  and  $\mu$  fuzzy open and  $\alpha$  is fuzzy generalized open if  $1-\alpha$  is fuzzy generalized closed.

### 3. Fuzzy rw-closed sets and fuzzy rw-open sets in fts.

**3.1 Definition:** Let  $(X, T)$  be a fuzzy topological space. A fuzzy set  $\alpha$  of  $X$  is called fuzzy regular  $w$ -closed (briefly, fuzzy rw-closed) if  $\text{cl}(\alpha) \leq \sigma$  whenever  $\alpha \leq \sigma$  and  $\sigma$  is fuzzy regular semiopen in fts  $X$ .

We denote the class of all fuzzy regular  $w$ -closed sets in fts  $X$  by  $\text{FRWC}(X)$ .

**3.2 Theorem:** Every fuzzy closed set is a fuzzy rw-closed set in a fts  $X$ .

**Proof:** Let  $\alpha$  be a fuzzy closed set in a fts  $X$ . Let  $\beta$  be a fuzzy regular semiopen set in  $X$  such that  $\alpha \leq \beta$ . Since  $\alpha$  is fuzzy closed,  $\text{cl}(\alpha)=\alpha$ . Therefore  $\text{cl}(\alpha) \leq \beta$ . Hence  $\alpha$  is fuzzy rw-closed in fts  $X$ .

The converse of the above Theorem need not be true in general as seen from the following example.

**3.3 Example:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ . Define a fuzzy set  $\alpha$  in  $X$  by

$$\alpha(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = a \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Let  $T = \{1, 0, \alpha\}$ . Then  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy topological space. Define a fuzzy set  $\beta$  in  $X$  by

$$\beta(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then  $\beta$  is a fuzzy rw-closed set but it is not a fuzzy closed set in fts  $X$ .

**3.4 Corollary:** By Remark 2.8 (ii), it has been proved that every fuzzy regular closed set is a fuzzy closed set but not conversely. By Theorem 3.2 every fuzzy closed set is a fuzzy rw-closed set but not conversely and hence every fuzzy regular closed set is a fuzzy rw-closed set but not conversely.

**3.5 Remark:** Fuzzy generalized closed sets and fuzzy rw-closed sets are independent.

**3.6 Example:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  and the functions

$\alpha, \beta, \gamma : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  be defined as

$$\alpha(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = a \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \beta(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\gamma(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = a, b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Consider  $T = \{1, 0, \alpha, \beta, \gamma\}$ . Then  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy topological space. In this fts  $X$ , the fuzzy set  $\lambda : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  define by

$$\lambda(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = c \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then  $\lambda$  is a fuzzy generalized closed set in fts  $X$ . In this fts, the fuzzy set  $\delta : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  define by

$$\delta(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = a, c, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then  $\delta$  is a fuzzy regular semiopen set containing  $\lambda$ , but  $\delta$  does not contain  $\text{cl}(\lambda)$  which is  $\lambda^c$ . Therefore  $\delta$  is not a fuzzy rw-closed set in fts  $X$ .

**3.7 Example:** Let  $X = I = [0, 1]$ . Define a fuzzy set  $\lambda$  in  $X$  by

$$\lambda(x) = \begin{cases} 1/2 & \text{if } x = 2/3 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Let  $T = \{1, 0, \lambda\}$ . Then  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy topological space.

$$\text{Let } \alpha(x) = \begin{cases} 1/3 & \text{if } x = 2/3 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then  $\alpha$  is a fuzzy rw-closed set in fts  $X$ . Now  $\text{cl}(\alpha) = \lambda^c$  and  $\lambda$  is a fuzzy open set containing  $\alpha$  but  $\lambda$  does not contain  $\text{cl}(\alpha)$  which is  $\lambda^c$ . Therefore  $\alpha$  is not a fuzzy generalized closed

**3.8 Remark:** Fuzzy rw-closed sets and fuzzy semi-closed sets are independent.

**3.9 Example:** Consider the fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  defined in Example 3.3. Then the fuzzy set  $\alpha = \{(a, 1), (b, 0), (c, 0)\}$  is a fuzzy rw-closed but it is not a fuzzy semi-closed set in fts  $X$ .

**3.10 Example:** Consider the fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  defined in Example 3.6. In this fts  $X$ , the fuzzy set  $\mu : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is define by

$$\mu(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = a, c \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

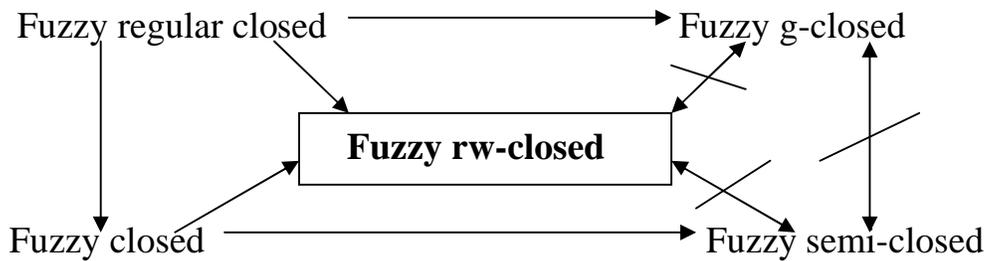
Then  $\mu$  is a fuzzy semi-closed in fts  $X$ .  $\mu$  is also fuzzy regular semiopen set containing  $\mu$  which is does not contain  $cl(\mu) = \beta^c = \{(a, 1), (b, 0), (c, 1), (d, 1)\}$ . Therefore  $\mu$  is not a fuzzy rw-closed set in fts  $X$ .

**3.11 Remark:** From the above discussions and known results we have the following implications

In the following diagram, by

$A \longrightarrow B$  we mean  $A$  implies  $B$  but not conversely and

$A \leftrightarrow B$  means  $A$  and  $B$  are independent of each other.



**3.12 Theorem:** If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are fuzzy rw-closed sets in fts  $X$ , then  $\alpha \vee \beta$  is fuzzy rw-closed set in fts  $X$ .

**Proof:** Let  $\sigma$  be a fuzzy regular semiopen set in fts  $X$  such that  $\alpha \vee \beta \leq \sigma$ . Now  $\alpha \leq \sigma$  and  $\beta \leq \sigma$ . Since  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are fuzzy rw-closed sets in fts  $X$ ,  $cl(\alpha) \leq \sigma$  and  $cl(\beta) \leq \sigma$ . Therefore  $cl(\alpha) \vee cl(\beta) \leq \sigma$ . But  $cl(\alpha) \vee cl(\beta) = cl(\alpha \vee \beta)$ . Thus  $cl(\alpha \vee \beta) \leq \sigma$ . Hence  $\alpha \vee \beta$  is a fuzzy rw-closed set in fts  $X$ .

**3.13 Remark:** If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are fuzzy rw-closed sets in fts  $X$ , then  $\alpha \wedge \beta$  need not be a fuzzy rw-closed set in general as seen from the following example.

**3.14 Example:** Consider the fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  defined in Example 3.6. In this fts  $X$ , the fuzzy sets  $\delta_1, \delta_2 : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  are defined by

$$\delta_1(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = c, d \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \delta_2(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = a, b, c \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then  $\delta_1$  and  $\delta_2$  are the fuzzy rw-closed sets in fts in  $X$ .

$$\text{Let } \lambda = \delta_1 \wedge \delta_2. \text{ Then } \lambda(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = c \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then  $\lambda = \delta_1 \wedge \delta_2$  is not a fuzzy rw-closed set in fts  $X$ .

**3.15 Theorem:** If a fuzzy set  $\alpha$  of fts  $X$  is both fuzzy regular open and fuzzy rw-closed, then  $\alpha$  is a fuzzy regular closed set in fts  $X$ .

**Proof:** Suppose a fuzzy set  $\alpha$  of fts  $X$  is both fuzzy regular open and fuzzy rw-closed. As every fuzzy regular open set is a fuzzy regular semiopen set and  $\alpha \leq \alpha$ , we have  $\text{cl}(\alpha) \leq \alpha$ . Also  $\alpha \leq \text{cl}(\alpha)$ . Therefore  $\text{cl}(\alpha) = \alpha$ . That is  $\alpha$  is fuzzy closed. Since  $\alpha$  is fuzzy regular open,  $\text{int}(\alpha) = \alpha$ . Now  $\text{cl}(\text{int}(\alpha)) = \text{cl}(\alpha) = \alpha$ . Therefore  $\alpha$  is a fuzzy regular closed set in fts  $X$ .

**3.16 Theorem:** If a fuzzy set  $\alpha$  of a fts  $X$  is both fuzzy regular semiopen and fuzzy rw-closed, then  $\alpha$  is a fuzzy closed set in fts  $X$ .

**Proof:** Suppose a fuzzy set  $\alpha$  of a fts  $X$  is both fuzzy regular semiopen and fuzzy rw-closed. Now  $\alpha \leq \alpha$ , we have  $\text{cl}(\alpha) \leq \alpha$ . Also  $\alpha \leq \text{cl}(\alpha)$ . Therefore  $\text{cl}(\alpha) = \alpha$  and hence  $\alpha$  is a fuzzy closed set in fts  $X$ .

**3.17 Theorem:** If a fuzzy set  $\alpha$  of a fts  $X$  is both fuzzy open and fuzzy generalized closed, then  $\alpha$  is a fuzzy rw-closed set in fts  $X$ .

**Proof:** Suppose a fuzzy set  $\alpha$  of a fts  $X$  is both fuzzy open and fuzzy generalized closed. Now  $\alpha \leq \alpha$ , by hypothesis we have  $\text{cl}(\alpha) \leq \alpha$ . Also  $\alpha \leq \text{cl}(\alpha)$ . Therefore  $\text{cl}(\alpha) = \alpha$ . That is  $\alpha$  is a fuzzy closed set and hence  $\alpha$  is a fuzzy rw-closed set in fts  $X$ , as every fuzzy closed set is a fuzzy rw-closed set.

**3.18 Remark:** If a fuzzy set  $\gamma$  is both fuzzy regular open and fuzzy rw-closed set in a fts  $X$ , then  $\gamma$  need not be a fuzzy generalized closed set in general as seen from the following example.

**3.19 Example:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and the functions  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  be defined as

$$\alpha(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = a \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \beta(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\gamma(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = a, b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Consider  $T = \{1, 0, \alpha, \beta, \gamma\}$ . Then  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy topological space. In this fts  $X$ ,  $\gamma$  is both fuzzy open and fuzzy rw-closed set in fts  $X$  but it is not fuzzy generalized closed.

**3.20 Theorem:** Let  $\alpha$  be a fuzzy rw-closed set of a fts  $X$  and suppose  $\alpha \leq \beta \leq \text{cl}(\alpha)$ . Then  $\beta$  is also a fuzzy rw-closed set in fts  $X$ .

**Proof:** Let  $\alpha \leq \beta \leq \text{cl}(\alpha)$  and  $\alpha$  be a fuzzy rw-closed set of fts  $X$ . Let  $\sigma$  be any fuzzy regular semiopen set such that  $\beta \leq \sigma$ . Then  $\alpha \leq \sigma$  and  $\alpha$  is fuzzy

rw-closed, we have  $\text{cl}(\alpha) \leq \sigma$ . But  $\text{cl}(\beta) \leq \text{cl}(\alpha)$  and thus  $\text{cl}(\beta) \leq \sigma$ . Hence  $\beta$  is a fuzzy rw-closed set in fts  $X$ .

**3.21 Theorem:** In a fuzzy topological space  $X$  if  $\text{FRSO}(X) = \{1, 0\}$ , where  $\text{FRSO}(X)$  is the family of all fuzzy regular semiopen sets then every fuzzy subset of  $X$  is fuzzy rw-closed

**Proof:** Let  $X$  be a fuzzy topological space and  $\text{FRSO}(X) = \{1, 0\}$ . Let  $\alpha$  be any fuzzy subset of  $X$ . Suppose  $\alpha = 0$ . Then  $0$  is a fuzzy rw-closed set in fts  $X$ . Suppose  $\alpha \neq 0$ . Then  $1$  is the only fuzzy regular semiopen set containing  $\alpha$  and so  $\text{cl}(\alpha) \leq 1$ . Hence  $\alpha$  is a fuzzy rw-closed set in fts  $X$ .

**3.22 Remark:** The converse of the above Theorem 3.21 need not be true in general as seen from the following example.

**3.23 Example:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and the functions  $\alpha, \beta : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  be defined as

$$\alpha(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = a \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \beta(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = b, c \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Consider  $T = \{1, 0, \alpha, \beta\}$ . Then  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy topological space. In this fts  $X$ , every fuzzy subset of  $X$  is a fuzzy rw-closed set in fts  $X$ , but  $\text{FRSO} = \{1, 0, \alpha, \beta\}$ .

**3.24 Theorem:** If  $\alpha$  is a fuzzy rw-closed set of fts  $X$  and  $\text{cl}(\alpha) \wedge (1 - \text{cl}(\alpha)) = 0$ , then  $\text{cl}(\alpha) - \alpha$  does not contain any non-zero fuzzy regular semiopen set in fts  $X$ .

**Proof:** Suppose  $\alpha$  is a fuzzy rw-closed set of fts  $X$  and  $\text{cl}(\alpha) \wedge (1 - \text{cl}(\alpha)) = 0$ . We prove the result by contradiction. Let  $\beta$  be a fuzzy regular semiopen set such that  $\text{cl}(\alpha) - \alpha \geq \beta$  and  $\beta \neq 0$ . Now  $\beta \leq \text{cl}(\alpha) - \alpha$ , i.e  $\beta \leq 1 - \alpha$  which

implies  $\alpha \leq 1-\beta$ . Since  $\beta$  is a fuzzy regular semiopen set, by Theorem 6.1.30,  $1-\beta$  is also fuzzy regular semiopen set in fts X. Since  $\alpha$  is a fuzzy rw-closed set in fts X, by definition  $\text{cl}(\alpha) \leq 1-\beta$ . So  $\beta \leq 1-\text{cl}(\alpha)$ . Therefore  $\beta \leq (\text{cl}(\alpha) \wedge (1-\text{cl}(\alpha)))=0$ , by hypothesis. This shows that  $\beta=0$  which is a contradiction. Hence  $\text{cl}(\alpha)-\alpha$  does not contain any non-zero fuzzy regular semiopen set in fts X..

**3.25 Corollary:** If  $\alpha$  is a fuzzy rw-closed set of fts X and  $\text{cl}(\alpha) \wedge (1-\text{cl}(\alpha))=0$ , then  $\text{cl}(\alpha)-\alpha$  does not contain any non-zero fuzzy regular open set in fts X.

**Proof:** Follows form the Theorem 3.24 and the fact that every fuzzy regular open set is a fuzzy regular semiopen set in fts X.

**3.26 Corollary:** If  $\alpha$  is a fuzzy rw-closed set of a fts X and  $\text{cl}(\alpha) \wedge (1-\text{cl}(\alpha))=0$ , then  $\text{cl}(\alpha)-\alpha$  does not contain any non-zero fuzzy regular closed set in fts X.

**Proof:** Follows form the Theorem 3.24 and the fact that every fuzzy regular closed set is a fuzzy regular semiopen set in fts X.

**3.27 Theorem:** Let  $\alpha$  be a fuzzy rw-closed set of fts X and  $\text{cl}(\alpha) \wedge (1-\text{cl}(\alpha))=0$  Then  $\alpha$  is a fuzzy closed set if and only if  $\text{cl}(\alpha)-\alpha$  is a fuzzy regular semiopen set in fts X.

**Proof:** Suppose  $\alpha$  is a fuzzy closed set in fts X. Then  $\text{cl}(\alpha) = \alpha$  and so  $\text{cl}(\alpha)-\alpha = 0$ , which is a fuzzy regular semiopen set in fts X.

Conversely suppose  $\text{cl}(\alpha)-\alpha$  is a fuzzy regular semiopen set in fts X. Since  $\alpha$  is fuzzy rw-closed, by Theorem 3.24  $\text{cl}(\alpha)-\alpha$  does not contain any non zero fuzzy regular open set in fts X. Then  $\text{cl}(\alpha)-\alpha=0$ . That is  $\text{cl}(\alpha) = \alpha$  and hence  $\alpha$  is a fuzzy closed set in fts X.

We introduce a fuzzy rw-open set in fuzzy topological space  $X$  as follows.

**3.28 Definition:** A fuzzy set  $\alpha$  of a fuzzy topological space  $X$  is called a fuzzy regular w-open (briefly, fuzzy rw-open) set if its complement  $\alpha^c$  is a fuzzy rw-closed set in fts  $X$ .

We denote the family of all fuzzy rw-open sets in fts  $X$  by  $FRWO(X)$ .

**3.29 Theorem:** If a fuzzy set  $\alpha$  of a fuzzy topological space  $X$  is fuzzy open, then it is fuzzy rw-open but not conversely.

**Proof:** Let  $\alpha$  be a fuzzy open set of fts  $X$ . Then  $\alpha^c$  is fuzzy closed. Now by Theorem 3.2,  $\alpha^c$  is fuzzy rw-closed. Therefore  $\alpha$  is a fuzzy rw-open set in fts  $X$ .

The converse of the above Theorem need not be true in general as seen from the following example.

**3.30 Example:** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ . Define a fuzzy set  $\alpha$  in  $X$  by

$$\alpha(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = a, b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Let  $T = \{1, 0, \alpha\}$ . Then  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy topological space. Define a fuzzy set  $\beta$  in  $X$  by

$$\beta(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then  $\beta$  is a fuzzy rw-open set but it is not fuzzy open set in fts  $X$ .

**3.31 Corollary:** By Remark 2.8. (i), it has been proved that every fuzzy regular open set is a fuzzy open set but not conversely. By Theorem 3.29,

every fuzzy open set is a fuzzy rw-open set but not conversely and hence every fuzzy regular open set is a fuzzy rw-open set but not conversely.

**3.32 Theorem:** A fuzzy set  $\alpha$  of a fuzzy topological space  $X$  is fuzzy rw-open if and only if  $\delta \leq \text{int}(\alpha)$  whenever  $\delta \leq \alpha$  and  $\delta$  is a fuzzy regular semiopen set in fts  $X$ .

**Proof:** Suppose that  $\delta \leq \text{int}(\alpha)$  whenever  $\delta \leq \alpha$  and  $\delta$  is a fuzzy regular semiopen set in fts  $X$ . To prove that  $\alpha$  is fuzzy rw-open in fts  $X$ . Let  $\alpha^c \leq \beta$  and  $\beta$  is any fuzzy regular semiopen set in fts  $X$ . Then  $\beta^c \leq \alpha$ . By Theorem 2.13,  $\beta^c$  is also fuzzy regular semiopen set in fts  $X$ . By hypothesis,  $\beta^c \leq \text{int}(\alpha)$  which implies  $(\text{int}(\alpha))^c \leq \beta$ . That is  $\text{cl}(\alpha^c) \leq \beta$ , since  $\text{cl}(\alpha^c) = (\text{int}(\alpha))^c$ . Thus  $\alpha^c$  is a fuzzy rw-closed and hence  $\alpha$  is fuzzy rw-open in fts  $X$ .

Conversely, suppose that  $\alpha$  is fuzzy rw-open. Let  $\beta \leq \alpha$  and  $\beta$  is any fuzzy regular semiopen in fts  $X$ . Then  $\alpha^c \leq \beta^c$ . By Theorem 6.1.30,  $\beta^c$  is also fuzzy regular semiopen. Since  $\alpha^c$  is fuzzy rw-closed, we have  $\text{cl}(\alpha^c) \leq \beta^c$  and so  $\beta \leq \text{int}(\alpha)$ , since  $\text{cl}(\alpha^c) = (\text{int}(\alpha))^c$ .

**3.33 Theorem:** If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are fuzzy rw-open sets in a fts  $X$ , then  $\alpha \wedge \beta$  is also a fuzzy rw-open set in fts  $X$ .

**Proof:** Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be two fuzzy rw-open sets in a fts  $X$ . Then  $\alpha^c$  and  $\beta^c$  are fuzzy rw-closed sets in fts  $X$ . By Theorem 3.12,  $\alpha^c \vee \beta^c$  is also a fuzzy rw-closed set in fts  $X$ . That is  $(\alpha^c \vee \beta^c)^c = (\alpha \wedge \beta)^c$  is a fuzzy rw-closed set in  $X$ . Therefore  $\alpha \wedge \beta$  is also a fuzzy rw-open set in fts  $X$ .

**3.34 Remark:** The union of two fuzzy rw-open sets in a fts  $X$  is generally not a fuzzy rw-open set in fts  $X$ .

**3.35 Example:** Consider the fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  defined as in Example 6.2.19. In this fts  $X$ , the fuzzy sets  $\delta_1, \delta_2: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  are defined by

$$\delta_1(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = a \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \delta_2(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = c \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then  $\delta_1$  and  $\delta_2$  are the rw-open fuzzy sets in fts  $X$ . Let  $\lambda = \delta_1 \vee \delta_2$ . Then

$$\lambda(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = a, c \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then  $\lambda = \delta_1 \vee \delta_2$  is not a fuzzy rw-open set in fts  $X$ .

**3.36 Theorem:** If  $\text{int}(\alpha) \leq \beta \leq \alpha$  and  $\alpha$  is a fuzzy rw-open set in a fts  $X$ , then  $\beta$  is also a fuzzy rw-open set in fts  $X$ .

**Proof:** Suppose  $\text{int}(\alpha) \leq \beta \leq \alpha$  and  $\alpha$  is a fuzzy rw-open set in a fts  $X$ . To prove that  $\beta$  is a fuzzy rw-open set in fts  $X$ . Let  $\sigma$  be any fuzzy regular semiopen set in fts  $X$  such that  $\sigma \leq \beta$ . Now  $\sigma \leq \beta \leq \alpha$ . That is  $\sigma \leq \alpha$ . Since  $\alpha$  is fuzzy rw-open set of fts  $X$ ,  $\sigma \leq \text{int}(\alpha)$  by Theorem 6.2.32. By hypothesis  $\text{int}(\alpha) \leq \beta$ . Then  $\text{int}(\text{int}(\alpha)) \leq \text{int}(\beta)$ . That is  $\text{int}(\alpha) \leq \text{int}(\beta)$ . Then  $\sigma \leq \text{int}(\beta)$ . Again by Theorem 6.2.32  $\beta$  is a fuzzy rw-open set in fts  $X$ .

**3.37 Theorem:** If a fuzzy subset  $\alpha$  of a fts  $X$  is fuzzy rw-closed and  $\text{cl}(\alpha) \wedge (1 - \text{cl}(\alpha)) = 0$ , then  $\text{cl}(\alpha) - \alpha$  is a fuzzy rw-open set in fts  $X$ .

**Proof:** Let  $\alpha$  be a fuzzy rw-closed set in a fts  $X$  and  $\text{cl}(\alpha) \wedge (1 - \text{cl}(\alpha)) = 0$ . Let  $\beta$  be any fuzzy regular semiopen set of fts  $X$  such that  $\beta \leq (\text{cl}(\alpha) - \alpha)$ . Then by Theorem 3.24,  $\text{cl}(\alpha) - \alpha$  does not contain any non-zero fuzzy regular semiopen set and so  $\beta = 0$ . Therefore  $\beta \leq \text{int}(\text{cl}(\alpha) - \alpha)$ . By Theorem 3.32,  $\text{cl}(\alpha) - \alpha$  is fuzzy rw-open.

**3.38 Theorem:** Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be two fuzzy subsets of a fts  $X$ . If  $\beta$  is a fuzzy rw-open set and  $\alpha \geq \text{int}(\beta)$ , then  $\alpha \wedge \beta$  is a fuzzy rw-open set in fts  $X$ .

**Proof:** Let  $\beta$  be a fuzzy rw-open set of a fts  $X$  and  $\alpha \geq \text{int}(\beta)$ . That is  $\text{int}(\beta) \leq \alpha \wedge \beta$ . Also  $\text{int}(\beta) \leq \alpha \wedge \beta \leq \beta$  and  $\beta$  is a fuzzy rw-open set. By Theorem 6.2.36,  $\alpha \wedge \beta$  is also a fuzzy rw-open set in fts  $X$ .

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