# On New Countability and Separationaxioms in Fuzzy Topological Spaces

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**Abstract:** In this paper, the concepts of  $\alpha$ -countability (first and second) and  $\alpha$ -separability for fuzzy topological spaces are introduced and studied. The invariance of first  $\alpha$ -countability and  $\alpha$ -separability under F-continuous surjections are some of the results proved.

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## **1. Introduction**

C. K. Wong<sup>1</sup> introduced the concept of the first hypothesis of countability and separability for fuzzy topological spaces and proved some properties. The definitions of these spaces involve the concept of a 'fuzzy point'-the fuzzification of the singleton set in the ordinary set theory-which is not a proper generalization of the concept of the singleton set. More specifically, the definition of 'fuzzy point' does not reduce to that of a point in ordinary set theory, even if all the fuzzy sets are restricted to take the value 0 and 1 only. S. S. Benchalli<sup>3</sup> introduced the alternative definitions of countability and separability for fuzzy topological spaces and proved some of their properties.

In this paper, the concept of  $\alpha$ -countability and  $\alpha$ -separability for fuzzy topological spaces are introduced and studied. The invariance of first  $\alpha$ -

countability and  $\alpha$ -separability under F-continuous surjections are among the results proved.

## 2. Main Results

**Definition 2.1.**<sup>1</sup> Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a fts and p be a fuzzy point. A subfamily  $B_p$  of T is called a local base of p if  $p \in B$  for every member B of  $B_p$  and for every member A of T such that  $p \in A$  there exists a member B of  $B_p$  such that  $p \in B \subset A$ .

**Definition 2.2.**<sup>2</sup> Anfts  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be  $C_1$  if every fuzzy point in X has a countable local base.

**Definition 2.3.**<sup>1</sup> Anfts  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be separable if there exists a sequence of fuzzy points  $\{p_i\}, i = 1, 2, 3, ...$  such that for every member A of T and  $A \neq 0$  there exists a  $p_i$  such that  $p_i \in A$ .

**Definition 2.4.**<sup>3</sup> Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a fts and  $x \in X$ . A subfamily  $B_x$  of T is called a local base at x if and only if B(x) > 0 for each  $B \in B_x$  and every  $A \in T$  with A(x) > 0 there exits a member  $B_0 \in B_x$  such that  $B_0 < A$ .

**Definition 2.5.**<sup>3</sup> Anfts  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be  $C_1$  if and only if every  $x \in X$  has a countable local base.

**Definition 2.6.**<sup>3</sup> Anfts  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be separable if and only if there exists a sequence of points  $\{x_i\}$ , i = 1, 2, 3, ... such that for every member A of T and  $A \neq 0$  there exits a  $x_i$  such that  $A(x_i) > 0$ .

**Definition 2.7.** Let  $\alpha \in [0,1]$ . Let  $(X,\tau)$  be fts and  $x \in X$ . A subfamily  $B_x$  of T is called a  $\alpha$ -local base at x iff for each  $B \in B_x$  with  $B_x > 0$  and every  $A \in T$  with  $A(x) > \alpha$ , there exists a member  $B_0 \in B_x$  such that  $B_0 \leq A$ .

**Definition 2.8.** Let  $\alpha \in [0,1]$ . Anfts  $(X,\tau)$  is said to be  $\alpha$ - $C_1$  if and only if every  $x \in X$  has a countable  $\alpha$ -local base.

**Definition 2.9.** Let  $\alpha \in [0,1]$ . Anfts  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be  $\alpha$ -separable if and only if there exists a countable sequence of points  $\{x_i\}$ , i = 1,2,3, ... such that for every member A of T and  $A \neq 0$  there exists a  $x_i$  such that  $A(x_i) > \alpha$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** Every  $\alpha$ -local base family in anfts  $(X, \tau)$  is a local base.

**Proof:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be fts for each  $x \in X$ ,  $B_x$  be a  $\alpha$ -local base at x in T. Since  $B_x$  is a  $\alpha$ -local base at x, for each  $B \in B_x$  with  $B(x) > \alpha \ge 0$  and for each  $A \in T$  with  $A(x) > \alpha \ge 0$  there exists a member  $B_0 \in B_x$  such that  $B_0 \le A$ .

Thus, for each  $x \in X$  and each  $B \in B_x$  with B(x) > 0 and for each  $A \in T$  with A(x) > 0, there exists  $B_0 \in B_x$  such that  $B_0 \leq A$ . Hence  $B_x$  is a local base at x in fts T.

**Theorem 2.2.** Every  $\alpha$ - $C_1$  fts is a  $C_1$  fts.

*Proof:* Follows from the two concepts.

**Theorem 2.3.** *Every* $\alpha$ *-separable fts is a separable fts.* 

*Proof:* Follows from the two concepts.

**Theorem 2.4.** If  $(X, \tau)$  is  $C_1$  fts then for each  $x \in X$  there exists a countable  $\alpha$ -local base of x, say  $\vartheta = \{A_i\}, i=1,2, \ldots$  such that  $A_1 \ge A_2 \ge A_3 \ge \ldots$ .

**Proof:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be  $\alpha$ - $C_1$  fts. Then for each  $x \in X$  there exists a countable  $\alpha$ -local base, say, =  $\{B_i\}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3, \ldots$  of x. Now we define,  $A_1 = B_1$ ,  $A_2 = B_1 \wedge B_2$ ,  $A_3 = B_1 \wedge B_2 \wedge B_3$ ,  $A_n = \bigwedge_{i=1}^n B_i$ . Clearly  $A_1 \ge A_2 \ge A_3 \ge \ldots$ 

Let  $\vartheta = \{A_i\}$ , i=1,2,3,... Then  $\vartheta$  is a  $\alpha$ -local base at x. Since B is a  $\alpha$ -local base at x, for each  $B_i \in B$ ,  $B_i(x) > \alpha$ . Therefore  $A_i(x) > \alpha$  for each i. Let  $G \in T$  with  $G(x) > \alpha$ . Since B is a  $\alpha$ -local base at x, there exists a  $B_i \in B$  such that  $B_i \leq G$  and  $B_i(x) > \alpha$  for each  $i=1,2,3,..,i_0$ . Therefore  $\bigwedge_{i=1}^n B_i > \alpha$ . That is  $A_{i0}(x) > \alpha$  and  $A_{i0} \leq B_{i0}$ . But  $B_{i0} \leq G$ . Therefore  $A_{i0} \leq G$ . Thus, at  $x \in X$  and  $G(x) > \alpha$  of T, there exists  $A_{i0} \in \vartheta$  such that  $A_{i0} \leq G$  and  $A_{i0} > \alpha$ .

Hence  $\vartheta$  is countable  $\alpha$ -local base at *x*.

**Definition 2.10.**<sup>4,5</sup> Let  $(X, \tau)$  and (Y, S) be two fts's and let  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, S)$  be a function. Then f is said to be continuous (Fuzzy continuous) if  $f^{-1}(B) \in \tau$  for each  $B \in S$ .

**Definition 2.11.** A function  $f: X \to Y$  is said to be F-open (respectively F-closed) if and only if for each open (respectively closed) fuzzy set A in X, F(A) is open (respectively closed) fuzzy set in Y.

**Theorem 2.5.** Let  $f: X \to Y$  be an *F*-continuous *F*-open surjection. If  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\alpha$ - $C_1$  fts, then (Y, S) is also  $\alpha$ - $C_1$ .

**Proof:** Let  $y \in Y$ , then  $x \in X$  exists such that f(x) = y. Since  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $\alpha$ - $C_1$  fts, so x has a countable  $\alpha$ -local base for  $\tau$ , say B. Then the family  $\vartheta_y = \{f(A): A \in B_x\}$  forms a countable  $\alpha$ -local base of y in S; for each  $A \in B_x$ ,  $f(A) \in S$ . Therefore  $\vartheta_y$  is a subfamily of S and countable. Let  $f(A) \in \vartheta_y$ , then  $(f(A))(y) = \bigvee_{z \in f^{-1}(y)} A(z) > \alpha$ . Further, let  $G \in S$  with  $G(y) > \alpha$ . Then  $f^{-1}(G) \in \tau$  and  $(f^{-1}(G))(x) = G(f(x)) = G(y) > \alpha$ . Therefore  $f^{-1}(G) \in \tau$  and  $(f^{-1}(G))(x) > \alpha$ . Since  $B_x$  is a  $\alpha$ -local base at x, there exists  $A_0 \in B_x$  such that  $A_0 \leq f^{-1}(G)$  and  $A_0 > \alpha$ . Therefore  $f(A_0) \leq f(f^{-1}(G)) = G$  and  $(f(A_0))(y) = V_{z \in f^{-1}(y)}A(z) > \alpha$ . Therefore  $f(A_0) > \alpha$ . Thus  $G \in S$  with  $G(y) > \alpha$ , there exists  $f(A_0)$  in  $\vartheta_y$  such that  $f(A_0) \leq G$  and  $(f(A_0))(y) > \alpha$ . Therefore  $\vartheta_y$  is a countable  $\alpha$ -local base at y in S. Hence (Y, S) is a  $\alpha$ - $C_1$ .

**Theorem 2.6.** Let  $f: X \to Y$  be an F continuous surjection. If  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $\alpha$ -separable fts, then (Y, S) is also  $\alpha$ -separable fts.

**Proof:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a  $\alpha$ -separable fts. Then there exists a sequence of points  $\{x_i\}$ , i=1,2,3,.. in X such that for every member A of  $\tau$  with  $A \neq 0$  there exists an  $x_i$  such that  $A(x_i) > \alpha$ . Consider  $\{f(x_i): i = 1,2,3,...\}$  is a sequence of points in Y. Let  $B \in S$  and  $B \neq 0$ . Then  $f^{-1}(B) \in \tau$  and  $f^{-1}(B) \neq 0$ , for  $B \neq 0$  implies that there exists a  $y \in Y$  such that B(y) > 0. Since f is on to, there exists an x in X such that f(x) = y and  $(f^{-1}(B))(x) = B(f(x)) = B(y) > 0$ . Therefore  $f^{-1}(B) \neq 0$ . Since  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\alpha$ -separable, there exists  $x_i$  such that  $(f^{-1}(B))(x_i) > \alpha$ , implies that  $B(f(x_i)) > \alpha$ . Thus for  $B \in S$  and  $B \neq 0$ , there exists a point  $f(x_i)$  in  $\{f(x_i): i = 1,2,3,...\}$  such that  $B(f(x_i)) > \alpha$ . Hence (Y, S) is  $\alpha$ -separable.

**Definition 2.12.**<sup>1</sup> Let  $\tau$  be a topology. A subfamily B of  $\tau$  is a base for  $\tau$  if and only if each member of  $\tau$  can be expressed as the union of some members of B.

**Definition 2.13.** Let  $\alpha \in [0,1)$  (respectively  $\alpha^* \in (0,1]$ ). Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a fts. A subfamily B defined by  $B = \{B: B \in \tau, B > \alpha\}$  ( $B^* = \{B: B \in \tau, B \ge \alpha\}$  of  $\tau$  is said to be  $\alpha$ -base (respectively  $\alpha^*$ -base) if every member A of  $\tau$  and  $A \neq 0$  is expressed as the union of members of B (respectively  $B^*$ ).

**Definition 2.14.** A fts  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be  $\alpha$ - $C_{11}$  (respectively  $\alpha^*$ - $C_{11}$ ) if there exists a countable  $\alpha$ -base (respectively  $\alpha^*$ -base) for  $\tau$ .

**Theorem 2.7.** Every  $\alpha$ - $C_{11}$  fts is  $\alpha$ - $C_1$ .

**Proof:** Let X be  $\alpha$ - $C_{11}$  fts. Let  $x \in X$ . To prove that x has a countable  $\alpha$ -localbase. Since X is  $\alpha$ - $C_{11}$ , by definition  $\tau$  has a countable  $\alpha$ -base, say  $B = \{B: B \in \tau, B > \alpha\}$ . Let  $B_x \subset B$  be defined by  $B_x = \{B: B \in \tau, B(x) > \alpha\}$ . Clearly,  $B_x$  is countable. Let  $A \in \tau$  with  $A(x) > \alpha$ . Now since  $A \in \tau$  and B is a  $\alpha$ -base for  $\tau$ , A can be expressed as a union of some members of B. Therefore,  $A = V_{B_i \in B} B_i$ , but  $A(x) > \alpha$ . Therefore  $V_{B_i \in B} B_i(x) > \alpha$  implies that there exists  $B_{i0} \in B$ , such that  $B_{i0} > \alpha$ . Therefore  $B_{i0} \in B_x$  and  $B_{i0} \leq B_x$ .

A.Thus for each  $x \in X$  with  $A(x) > \alpha$ , there exists a  $B_{i0}$  in  $B_x$  with  $B_{i0} > \alpha$ such that  $B_i < A$ . Therefore,  $B_x$  is a  $\alpha$ -local base for  $\tau$  and therefore, every  $x \in X$  has a countable  $\alpha$ -local base. Hence  $(X, \tau)$  is  $\alpha$ - $C_1$ .

**Definition 2.15.**<sup>5</sup> Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a fts and let A be a subset of X. Then the family  $\tau_A = \{G_A: G \in \tau\}$  is a fuzzy topology on A, where  $G_A$  is the restriction of G to A. The fuzzy topology  $\tau_A$  is called the relative fuzzy topology on A induced by the fuzzy topology  $\tau$  on X. Also  $(A, \tau_A)$  is called the fuzzy subspace of  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 2.8.** Every open crisp subspace of a  $\alpha$ -separable fts is  $\alpha$ -separable.

**Proof:** Let X be a  $\alpha$ -separable space and Y be an open crisp subspace of X. Since X is  $\alpha$ -separable, there exists a countable sequence of points say  $S = \{x_i : i = 1, 2, 3, ...\}$  such that for each  $A \in \tau$  with  $A \neq 0$  there exists  $x_i$ , such that  $(A(x_i) > \alpha$ .Now, let  $S_1 = \{x_n \in S : n \in N \text{ and } x_n \in Y\}$  which is a countable sequence of points in Y.

Let *U* be any open fuzzy set in *Y*. Since *Y* is open, *U* is also open in *X*. As *X* is  $\alpha$ -separable, there exists  $x_{i0} \in S$  such that  $U(x_{i0}) > \alpha$ . But  $\leq Y$ , that is  $Y \geq U(x_{i0}) > \alpha$  implies that  $Y(x_{i0}) > \alpha$  which implies that  $Y(x_{i0}) = 1$ . Therefore  $x_{i0} \in Y$ . Therefore  $x_{i0} \in S_1 = \{x_n \in S : n \in N \text{ and } x_n \in Y\}$ . Thus for each open fuzzy set *U* in *Y*, there exists a point  $x_{i0}$  in  $S_1$  which is the countable sequence of points in *Y* such that  $U(x_{i0}) > \alpha$ . Hence *Y* is  $\alpha$ -separable. Therefore open crisp subspace of  $\alpha$ -separable fts is  $\alpha$ -separable.

**Theorem 2.9.** Every crisp subspace of  $\alpha$ - $C_{11}$  fts is  $\alpha$ - $C_{11}$ .

**Proof:** Let X be a  $\alpha$ - $C_{11}$  fts, and Y be a crisp subspace of X. Since X is  $\alpha$ - $C_{11}$ , there exists a countable  $\alpha$ -base for  $\tau$ , say  $B = \{B_i : i \in I; B_i > \alpha\}$ . Then  $B_Y = \{B_i \land Y : i \in I\}$  is a countable  $\alpha$ -base for crisp space Y. If U is an open fuzzy set in Y with  $U \neq 0$  then  $U = Y \land G$ , where  $G \in \tau$ . Now,  $G \in \tau$  and B is a  $\alpha$ -base for  $\tau$ , implies that  $G = \lor B_{in}, B_{in} \in B$ . Therefore  $U = (\lor B_{in}) \land Y$  for  $B_{in} \in B$ , that is  $U = \lor (B_{in} \land Y)$  for some  $B_{in} \in B$  and  $(B_{in} \land Y) \in B_Y$  for each n. Clearly,  $B_{in} \land Y > \alpha$  for each i. Thus, for each open fuzzy set U with  $U \neq 0$  in Y can be expressed as aunion of members of  $B_Y$ . Hence  $B_Y$  is  $\alpha$ -base for Y. Therefore, Y is a  $\alpha$ - $C_{11}$  fts. Hence every crisp subspace of  $\alpha$ - $C_{11}$  fts is  $\alpha$ - $C_{11}$ .

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