

**Regularity and Paracompactness in Fuzzy Topological Spaces****Francisco Gallego Lupiáñez\***

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we obtain two characterizations of regular fuzzy topological spaces using Luo's and Abd El-Monsef and others' paracompact fuzzy topological spaces.

## 1. Introduction

In this paper we obtain two characterizations of fuzzy regularity as a fuzzy covering property. Indeed, we show that one can characterize fuzzy regularity as a paracompact-type fuzzy property in Luo's and Abd El-Monsef and others' both senses.

## 2. Definitions and Main Results

Definition 1 [1] Let  $\mu$  be a set in a fts  $(X, \tau)$  and let  $r \in (0, 1]$ ,  $s \in [0, 1)$ ; we define

$$\mu_{[r]} = \chi_{\{x \in X; \mu(x) \geq r\}}$$

$$\mu_{(s)} = \chi_{\{x \in X; \mu(x) > s\}}$$

$$\mu_{\langle r \rangle} = r\mu_{[r]}$$

Definition 2 [1] Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a family of sets and  $\mu$  be a set in a fts  $(X, \tau)$ . We say that  $\mathcal{A}$  is locally finite (resp. \*-locally finite) in  $\mu$  for each point  $e$  in  $\mu$ , there exists  $v \in Q(e)$  such that  $v$

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is quasi-coincident (resp. intersects) with at most a finite number of sets of  $\mathcal{A}$ ; we often omit the word "in  $\mu$ " when  $\mu = X$ .

Definition 3 [1] A family of sets  $\mathcal{A}$  is called a  $Q$ -cover of a set  $\mu$  if for each  $x \in \text{supp}(\mu)$ , there exist a  $v \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $v$  and  $\mu$  are quasi-coincident at  $x$ . Let  $r \in (0,1]$ .  $\mathcal{A}$  is called a  $r-Q$  cover of  $\mu$  if  $\mathcal{A}$  is a  $Q$ -cover of  $\mu_{(r)}$ .

Definition 4 [1] Let  $r \in (0,1]$ ,  $\mu$  be a set in a fts  $(X, \tau)$ . We say that  $\mu$  is  $r$ -paracompact (resp.  $r^*$ -paracompact) if for each  $r$ -open  $Q$ -cover of  $\mu$  there exists an open refinement of it which is both locally finite (resp.  $*$ -locally finite) in  $\mu$  and a  $r-Q$ -cover of  $\mu$ . The fuzzy set  $\mu$  is called  $S$ -paracompact (resp.  $S^*$ -paracompact) if for every  $r \in (0,1]$ ,  $\mu$  is  $r$ -paracompact (resp.  $r^*$ -paracompact).

Definition 5 [2] A family of fuzzy sets  $\mathcal{U}$  is called an  $L$ -cover of a fuzzy set  $\mu$  if  $\bigvee_{v \in \mathcal{U}} v \geq \mu$ .

Definition 6 [2] Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy set in a fts  $(X, \tau)$ . We say that  $\mu$  is fuzzy paracompact (resp.  $*$ -fuzzy paracompact) if for each open  $L$ -cover  $\mathcal{B}$  of  $\mu$  and for each  $\xi \in (0,1]$ , there exists an open refinement  $\mathcal{B}^*$  of  $\mathcal{B}$  which is both locally finite (resp.  $*$ -locally finite) in  $\mu$  and  $L$ -cover of  $\mu - \xi$ . We say that a fts  $(X, \tau)$  is fuzzy paracompact (resp.  $*$ -fuzzy paracompact) if each constant set in  $X$  is fuzzy paracompact (resp.  $*$ -fuzzy paracompact).

Theorem 1 Let  $(X, \tau)$  a fuzzy Hausdorff fts (in any of Wuyts and Lowen's definitions that are good extensions of Hausdorffness). Then  $(X, \tau)$  is fuzzy regular if and only if for each  $r \in (0,1]$ , for each  $r$ -open  $Q$ -cover of  $(X, \tau)$  and for each fuzzy point  $x_\lambda$  of  $X$  there exists an open refinement of it which is both  $*$ -locally finite in  $x_\lambda$  and a  $r-Q$ -cover of  $(X, \tau)$ .

Proof ( $\Rightarrow$ ) For each  $r \in (0,1]$ , let  $\mathcal{U}$  be a  $r$ -open  $Q$ -cover of  $(X, \tau)$ , and  $x_\lambda$  be a fuzzy point of  $X$ . Then, we have that the family of crisp sets  $\{U_{(1-r)} \mid U \in \mathcal{U}\}$ , is an open cover of  $(X, [\tau])$ , which is Hausdorff and regular ([3], [4]). Then ([5], [6], [7]), it has an open refinement  $\mathcal{V}_x \subset [\tau]$

which is a cover of  $X$ , and is locally finite in  $x$ . For each  $V \in \mathcal{V}_x$  we have an  $U_V \in \mathcal{U}$  with  $V \subset (U_V)_{(1-r)}$ .

Let  $\mathcal{W}_x = \{\chi_V \wedge U_V \mid V \in \mathcal{V}_x\}$ . Then,  $\mathcal{W}_x \subset \tau$ , is both an open refinement of  $\mathcal{U}$  and a  $r-Q$ -cover of  $(X, \tau)$ , and also is  $*$ -locally finite in  $x_\lambda$ , indeed, because  $\mathcal{V}_x$  is locally finite in  $x$ , we have an open neighborhood  $G$  of  $x$  that  $G$  intersects with only finite number of members of  $\mathcal{V}_x$ . Then  $\chi_G \in \mathcal{Q}(x_\lambda)$  intersects with only a finite number of members of  $\mathcal{W}_x$ .

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Let  $\mathcal{U} \subset [\tau]$  be an open cover of  $(X, [\tau])$ ; then  $\{\chi_U \mid U \in \mathcal{U}\}$  is an open  $Q$ -cover of  $1_X$ , and, for each  $x \in X$ , it has an open refinement  $\mathcal{V}_{x_r}$  which is a  $Q$ -cover of  $1_X$  and also locally finite in  $x_{1-r}$ . Let  $\mathcal{W} = \{V_{(1-r)} \mid V \in \mathcal{V}_{x_r}\}$ ; then  $\mathcal{W} \subset [\tau]$  is both a refinement of  $\mathcal{U}$  and a cover of  $(X, [\tau])$ . Also,  $\mathcal{W}$  is locally finite in  $x$ . Indeed: we take  $O_1 \in \mathcal{Q}(x_{1-r})$  such that  $O_1$  is quasi-coincident with only a finite number of members  $V_1, \dots, V_n$ , of  $\mathcal{V}_{x_r}$ . Let  $O = (O_1)_{(r)}$ , then  $x \in O \in [\tau]$ . For each  $V \in \mathcal{V}_{x_r}$ , if  $O \wedge V_{(1-r)} \neq \emptyset$ , we have a crisp point  $y \in X$ , such that  $O_1(y) > r$ ,  $V(y) > 1-r$ ,  $O_1(y) + V(y) > 1$ , then  $O_1 \cap V$  and  $V \in \{V_1, \dots, V_n\}$ . Hence the neighborhood  $O$  of  $x$  intersects with only a finite number of members  $(V_1)_{(1-r)}, \dots, (V_n)_{(1-r)} \in \mathcal{W}$ .

Theorem 2. Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a fuzzy Hausdorff fts (in any of Wuyts and Lowen's definitions that are good extensions of Hausdorffness [3]). Then  $(X, \tau)$  is fuzzy regular if and only if for each  $r \in I$ , and for each open  $L$ -cover  $\mathcal{B}$  of  $r$ , for each  $\xi \in (0, 1]$ , and for each fuzzy point  $x_\lambda$  of  $X$ , there exists an open refinement  $\mathcal{B}^*$  of it which is both  $*$ -locally finite in  $x_\lambda$  and  $L$ -cover of  $r - \xi$ .

Proof ( $\Rightarrow$ ) For each  $r \in I$ , and for each open  $L$ -cover  $\mathcal{B}$  of  $r$ , for each  $\xi \in (0, 1]$ , and for each fuzzy point  $x_\lambda$  of  $X$ , we have that the family of crisp sets  $\mathcal{U} = \{G^{-1}((r - \xi, 1]) \mid G \in \mathcal{B}\} \subset [\tau]$  is an open cover of  $(X, [\tau])$  which is Hausdorff and regular ([3, 4]). Then ([5],[6],[7]), it has an open refinement  $\mathcal{U}_x^* \subset [\tau]$  which is a cover of  $X$  and is locally finite in  $x$ . For each  $V \in \mathcal{U}_x^*$ , there

exists  $G_V^{-1}((r-\xi, 1]) \in \mathcal{U}$ , such that  $V \subset G_V^{-1}((r-\xi, 1])$ . So  $\mathcal{B}^* = \{\chi_V \wedge G_V | V \in \mathcal{U}_x^*\} \subset \tau$  is refinement of  $\mathcal{B}$ . Then, there exists  $V \in \mathcal{U}_x^*$  such that  $x \in V$  and  $G_V(x) > r - \xi$ . So,  $(\chi_V \wedge G_V)(x) \geq r - \xi$ , and  $\bigvee \{\chi_V \wedge G_V | V \in \mathcal{U}_x^*\} \geq r - \xi$ . Since  $\mathcal{U}_x^*$  is locally finite in  $x$ , there exists  $A \in [\tau]$  with  $x \in A$ , such that intersects with at most a finite number of members of  $\mathcal{U}_x^*$ . Then, there exists  $\chi_A \in \tau$  such that  $x_\lambda \in \chi_A$  and  $\chi_A$  intersects with a finite number of fuzzy sets of  $\mathcal{B}^*$ .

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Let  $\mathcal{U} \subset [\tau]$  be an open cover of  $X$  and  $x \in X$ , then  $\mathcal{B} = \{\chi_U | U \in \mathcal{U}\}$  is an open  $L$ -cover of  $(X, \tau)$  and for each,  $r \in I$  is  $\bigvee \{\chi_U | U \in \mathcal{U}\} \geq r$ . For each  $\xi \in (0, 1]$ , there exists an open refinement  $\mathcal{B}^*$  of  $\mathcal{B}$  which is both locally finite in  $x_\lambda$  and  $L$ -cover of  $r - \xi$ . This implies that  $\bigvee \{G | G \in \mathcal{B}^*\} \geq r - \xi_1$  for all  $\xi_1 > \xi$ . Let  $\mathcal{U}^* = \{G^{-1}((r-\xi, 1]) | G \in \mathcal{B}^*\}$ , then  $\mathcal{U}^* \subset [\tau]$  is an open refinement of  $\mathcal{U}$  (indeed, for each  $G^{-1}((r-\xi, 1]) \in \mathcal{U}^*$  there exists  $V_G \in \mathcal{U}$  such that  $G^{-1}((r-\xi, 1]) \subset V_G$ ). Since  $\bigvee \{G | G \in \mathcal{B}^*\} \geq r - \xi_1$ , then  $\mathcal{U}^*$  is an open refinement of  $\mathcal{U}$ . And, since  $x \in X$  there exists  $A \in \mathcal{Q}(x_\lambda)$  which intersects with only  $G_1, \dots, G_n \in \mathcal{B}^*$ . Since  $A(x) + \lambda > 1$ , we have  $A(x) > 1 - \lambda$ , then  $x \in A^{-1}((1 - \lambda, 1]) \in [\tau]$ .

If  $A^{-1}((1 - \lambda, 1]) \cap G^{-1}((r - \xi, 1]) \neq \emptyset$ , there exists some point  $z$ , such that  $A(z) > 1 - \lambda$  and  $G(z) > r - \xi$ , so  $A \wedge G \neq \emptyset$ . Then, if the neighborhood  $A^{-1}((1 - \lambda, 1])$  of  $x$  intersects with infinite members of  $\mathcal{U}^*$ ,  $A$  intersects with infinite members of  $\mathcal{B}^*$ . Thus  $\mathcal{U}^*$  is locally finite in  $x$ .

This yields that the Hausdorff topological space  $(X, [\tau])$  is regular ([5], [6], [7]) and  $(X, \tau)$  is fuzzy regular ([4]).

### 3. Discussion

In this paper, fuzzy regularity is characterized as a fuzzy covering property. Future research could obtain characterization of other fuzzy separation properties as fuzzy covering properties.

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