

# CONNECTEDNESS ON FUZZY BITOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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**Abstract:** In this paper we introduce the concept of connectedness in fuzzy bitopological spaces. We define (i-j) fuzzy connected set and study some of its properties. We also investigate the idea of connectedness in fuzzy bitopological spaces with respect to fuzzy ideals by an example.

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#### **1. Introduction**

In this paper we follow the definition of fuzzy bitopological spaces in Lowen's [1] sense. Various results in fuzzy topological spaces with respect to fuzzy ideals are found in [7]. Based on the results given in [7], we are going to investigate the concept of Connectedness in fuzzy bitopological spaces in our present work.

## 2. Preliminaries

**Definition 2.1.** [7] Let A and B are two fuzzy sets of X. Then A intersection B is defined as:  $(A \cap B)(x) = \max \{0, A(x) + B(x) - 1\}$  for all  $x \in X$ .

**Definition 2.2.** [7] Let  $(X,\tau)$  be a fuzzy topological space. The cl(A), the closure of a fuzzy set A is a fuzzy set defined by cl(A)(x) =  $\bigvee\{\lambda | B \in \tau, B(x) > 1 - \lambda \Rightarrow A \cap B \neq \overline{0}\}$  for all  $x \in X$ .

**Definition 2.3.** [7] A non-empty collection  $\mathcal{I}$  of fuzzy sets of X is said to be a fuzzy ideal on X, if  $A, B \in \mathcal{J} \Rightarrow A \lor B \in \mathcal{J}$  and  $A \in \mathcal{J}, B \le A \Rightarrow B \in \mathcal{J}$ .

**Definition 2.4.**[7] If A is a fuzzy set of X, then the support of A is defined as  $S(A) = \{x \in X / A(x) > 0\}$ . Let X be a non-empty set. A fuzzy set B is said to be finite fuzzy set of X if and only if S(B) is a finite set.

**Definition 2.5.**[7] Let  $(X,\tau)$  be a fuzzy topological space. The interior  $A^0$  of a fuzzy set A of X is defined as  $A^0 = V\{B: B \le A, B \in \tau\}$ .

*Lemma 2.6.* [7] If  $g: X \to Y$  and  $A, B \in I^Y$  then  $g^{-1}(A \cap B) = g^{-1}(A) \cap g^{-1}(B)$ .

**Lemma 2.7.**[7] Let  $(X,\tau)$  and  $(Y,\sigma)$  be two fuzzy topological spaces. Let  $g: X \to Y$  be a fuzzy continuous function and  $A: Y \to [0,1]$  be a fuzzy set of Y. Then  $cl(g^{-1}(A))(x) \le g^{-1}(cl(A))(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ .

**Definition 2.8.** [3] Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  and  $(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  be two bitopological spaces. Then a function f:  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is called pairwise continuous if  $f^{-1}(U)$  is  $\tau_i$  – open set in  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  for each  $\sigma_i$  – open set U of  $(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  for i = 1,2.

We may also give similar definition of fuzzy pairwise continuous function in fuzzy bitopological spaces.

**Definition 2.9.** Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  and  $(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  be two fuzzy bitopological spaces. Then a function f:  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is called fuzzy Pairwise continuous if  $f^{-1}(U)$  is  $\tau_i$  – open set in  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  for each  $\sigma_i$  – open set U of  $(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  for i = 1, 2.

## 3. (i-j) fuzzy connected spaces

**Definition 3.1** Let( $X, \tau_1, \tau_2$ ) be a fuzzy bitopological space. A fuzzy set C is called (i-j) fuzzy disconnected if there exists two fuzzy sets B<sub>1</sub> and B<sub>2</sub> such that

(i)  $C = B_1 V B_2$ 

- (ii) There exists  $x_1 \neq y_1 \in X$  such that  $B_1(x_1) = C(x_1) \neq 0$  and  $B_2(y_1) = C(y_1) \neq 0$ .
- (iii)  $\operatorname{cl}(B_1)_i \cap B_2 = \overline{0} = B_1 \cap \operatorname{cl}(B_2)_j$ , where  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$  and  $i \neq j$ .

Cis said to be (i-j) fuzzy connected iff C is not (i-j) fuzzy disconnected.

*Example 3.2* Consider the two fuzzy topologies  $\tau_1 = \{\overline{\alpha}/0 \le \alpha \le 1\}$  and  $\tau_2 = \{f/f : X \to [0,1]\}$ . We know that  $(X, \tau_1)$  is fuzzy connected and  $(X, \tau_2)$  is not fuzzy connected. We shall show that  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is (i-j) fuzzy connected.

Suppose there exists two fuzzy sets  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  such that i)  $1_X = B_1 \vee B_2$ . (ii) there exists  $x_1 \neq y_1 \in X$  with  $B_1(x_1) = 1_X(x_1) \neq 0$  and  $B_2(y_1) = 1_X(y_1) \neq 0$ .

Then  $B_1 \cap cl(B_2) = \overline{0}$ , where  $cl(B_2)$  is  $\tau_2$  -closed. Also  $cl(B_1) \cap B_2 \neq \overline{0}$ , where  $cl(B_1)$  is  $\tau_1$  -closed. That is  $cl(B_1) \cap B_2 \neq \overline{0} = B_1 \cap cl(B_2)$ . This implies that  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is not (i-j) fuzzy disconnected. Hence  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  is (i-j) fuzzy connected.

**Theorem 3.3.** Let(X,  $\tau_1, \tau_2$ ) be a fuzzy bitopological space. Let A be a (i-j) fuzzy connected set of X and B is  $\tau_i$ -fuzzy connected set of X, where  $i \in \{1,2\}$  with  $A \leq B$ . Suppose  $B = B_1 \vee B_2$  such that with  $B_1(x_0) = B(x_0) \neq 0$  and  $B_2(y_0) = B(y_0) \neq 0$  for some  $x_0 \neq y_0 \in X$  and  $cl(B_1)_i \cap B_2 = \overline{0} = B_1 \cap cl(B_2)_i$  then either  $A \leq B_1$  (or)  $A \leq B_2$ .

**Proof:** As  $cl(B_1)_i \cap (B_2) = \overline{0} = B_1 \cap cl(B_2)_i$  we get  $cl(B_1 \wedge A)_i \cap (B_2 \wedge A) = \overline{0} = (B_1 \wedge A) \cap cl(B_2 \wedge A)_i$  where  $i \in \{1,2\}$ . Since  $A \leq B_1 \vee B_2$ , select  $z_0 \in X$  such that  $A(z_0) \neq 0$ . Therefore  $A(z_0) = (B_1 \wedge A)(z_0)(or) \quad A(z_0) = (B_2 \wedge A)(z_0)$ . Since B is  $\tau_i$ - fuzzy connected there is no  $y \in X$  such that

 $(y) = (B_2 \wedge A)(y) \neq 0$ . If  $A(y) \neq 0$  then  $B_2(y) < A(y)$ . Therefore  $A(y) = (B_1 \wedge A)(y)$  for all  $y \in X$ . Hence  $A \leq B_1$ . Similarly we can show that  $A \leq B_2$ .

**Theorem 3.4.** The image of a (i-j) fuzzy connected set under a fuzzy pairwise continuous map is (i-j) fuzzy connected.

Let  $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$  and  $(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  be two fuzzy bitopological spaces and  $g: X \to Y$  be a fuzzy **Proof:** pairwise continuous map.

Let u be a (i-j) fuzzy connected set on X. We prove that g(u) is a (i-j) fuzzy connected set on Y. Suppose g(u) is (i-j) fuzzy disconnected. Then there exists two fuzzy sets A and B such that (i). g(u) = AVB. (ii). There exists  $z_1 \neq z_2 \in Y$  such that  $A(z_1) = g(u)(z_1) \neq 0$  and  $B(z_2) = g(u)(z_2) \neq 0$ 0 and (iii).  $cl(A)_i \cap B = \overline{0} = A \cap cl(B)_j$ , where  $i, j \in \{1,2\}$  with  $i \neq j$ , by lemma (1.6) and lemma (1.7)  $cl(g^{-1}(A))_{i} \cap g^{-1}(B) = \overline{0} = g^{-1}(A) \cap cl(g^{-1}(B))_{i}.$ 

As  $g(u)(z_1) \neq 0$ , select  $x_1 \in X$  such that  $g(x_1) = z_1$  and  $u(x_1) > 0$ . Similarly select  $x_2 \in X$  such that  $g(x_2) = z_2$  and  $u(x_2) > 0$ . Therefore  $g^{-1}(A)(x_1) = A(z_1) \neq 0$ . Now  $(g^{-1}(A)\Lambda u)(x_1) = A(z_1) \neq 0$ .  $A(g(x_1)) \wedge u(x_1) = u(x_1) \neq 0.$ 

Similarly  $(g^{-1}(B)\Lambda u)(x_2) \neq 0$ . Therefore  $u = (g^{-1}(A)\Lambda u)V(g^{-1}(B)\Lambda u)$ , which is a contradiction to our assumption that uis (i-j) fuzzy connected. Hence g(u) is also (i-j) fuzzy connected.

*Definition 3.5.* Let(X,  $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ ) be a fuzzy bitopological space with a fuzzy ideal Jon X. A fuzzy set D is said to be (i-j) fuzzy  $\mathcal{J}$  – connected if there do not exist two fuzzy sets A and B which are not in  $\mathcal{J}$ such that i)D = AVB (ii) there exists  $x_0 \neq y_0 \in X$  such that  $A(x_0) = D(x_0) \neq 0$  and  $B(y_0) = D(x_0) \neq 0$  $D(y_0) \neq 0$ . (iii)  $cl(A)_i \cap B = \overline{0} = A \cap cl(B)_i$  where  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$  with  $i \neq j$ .

The next example justifies the relation between the (i-j) fuzzy  $\mathcal{J}$  - connected and (i-j) fuzzy connected.3

*Example 3.6.* Consider the fuzzy bitopological space ( $\mathbb{R}, \tau_1, \tau_2$ ) where  $\mathbb{R}$  denotes the reals  $\tau_1 = \{$ the discrete fuzzy topology on  $\mathbb{R}$ } and  $\tau_2 = \{g: [0,1]/S(g) \text{ is an open set in the standard topology of } \mathbb{R}\}$ . Let  $\mathcal{J}$  denotes the fuzzy ideal of all fuzzy sets of  $\mathbb{R}$  with finite support.

Let B(x) = 
$$\begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in [0,3] \\ \frac{1}{x} & \text{if } x \in \{4,5,6\} \\ 0 & \text{otherewise} \end{cases}$$

Then B is (i-j) fuzzy  $\mathcal{J}$  – connected, but not (i-j) fuzzy connected where i, j  $\in \{1,2\}$ . Let B = CVD with C  $\cap$  cl(D)<sub>i</sub> =  $\overline{0}$  = cl(C)<sub>i</sub>  $\cap$  D and there existsx<sub>0</sub>  $\neq$  y<sub>0</sub> such that C(x<sub>0</sub>) = B(x<sub>0</sub>)  $\neq$ 0 and  $D(y_0) = B(y_0) \neq 0$ . Then  $S(C) \cup S(D) \subseteq [0,3] \cup \{4,5,6\}$ . As  $B(x) = C(x) \lor D(x) = 1$  for all  $x \in [0,3]$  and as  $C \cap D = 0$ , we get (1 - C) = D on [0,3],  $D \le cl(D)_1 \le 1 - C = D$  on [0,3], C(x) = C $1 - cl(D)_1(x)$  for all [0,3]. Similarly  $C(x) = 1 - cl(D)_2(x)$  for all  $x \in [0,3]$ . Also  $S(C) \cap [0,3] = 1 - cl(D)_2(x)$  $[0,3] \setminus S(1 - cl(D)_i)$  where  $i \in \{1,2\}$ . Therefore  $S(C) \cap [0,3]$  and  $S(D) \cap [0,3]$  are disjoint relative open sets of [0,3] in the relative topology. As [0,3] is connected with respect to the standard topology on  $\mathbb{R}$ , we have either  $S(C) \cap [0,3] = \emptyset$  (or)  $S(D) \cap [0,3] = \emptyset$ . Assume that  $S(D) \cap [0,3] = \emptyset$ . Then  $S(D) \subseteq \{4,5,6\}$ . So  $D \in \mathcal{J}$ . Therefore B is not (i-j) fuzzy  $\mathcal{J}$  – disconnected. That is B is (i-j) fuzzy  $\mathcal{J}$  – connected.

Next we show that B is not (i-j) fuzzy connected. Consider B = fVg where  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 \text{ if } x \in [0,3] \\ 0 \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$   $g(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x} & \text{if } x \in \{4,5,6\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ Then there exists  $x_1 \in [0,3]$  and  $y_1 \in \{4,5,6\}$  with  $f(x_1) = B(x_1) \neq 0$  and  $g(y_1) = B(y_1) \neq 0$ .

Consider the following two fuzzy sets (1, 0) = (1, 0) = (2, 0)

$$A_{1}(x) = \begin{cases} 1 \text{ if } x \in (-\infty, 0) \cup (3, \infty) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
$$A_{2}(x) = \begin{cases} 1 \text{ if } x \in (-\infty, 4) \cup (4, 5) \cup (5, 6) \cup (6, \infty) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

As  $S(A_1)$  and  $S(A_2)$  are open sets in the standard topology of  $\mathbb{R}$ , we get  $A_1, A_2 \in \tau_2$ . Clearly  $A_1, A_2$  are in $\tau_1$  also.

Now 
$$(1 - A_1)(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in [0,3] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
  
 $(1 - A_2)(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in \{4,5,6\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ .

Since  $f = (1 - A_1)$ , which is a  $\tau_i$ -fuzzy closed set, where  $i \in \{1,2\}, cl(f)_i = f$ . Note that  $g \leq (1 - A_2)$ . As  $(1 - A_2)$  is a  $\tau_i$ -fuzzy closed set containing g,  $cl(g)_i \leq (1 - A_2)$ . Now  $cl(f)_i \cap g = f \cap g = \overline{0}$  and  $f \cap cl(g)_j \leq f \cap (1 - A_2) = \overline{0}$  where  $i, j \in \{1,2\}$  and  $i \neq j$ . That is  $f \cap cl(g)_j = \overline{0}$ . Hence B is not (i-j) fuzzy connected. Thus every (i-j) fuzzy connected set is (i-j) fuzzy  $\mathcal{J}$  – connected but the converse need not be true.

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