

# Fuzzy $M$ -continuity Mappings in $\hat{S}$ ostak's Fuzzy Topological Spaces

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## Abstract

We introduce and investigate some new classes of mappings called fuzzy  $M$  -continuous, fuzzy  $\theta$ -continuous and fuzzy  $\theta$ -semicontinuous to the fuzzy topological spaces in  $\hat{S}$ ostak's sense. Also, some of their fundamental properties are studied. Moreover, we investigate the relationships between fuzzy continuous, fuzzy  $\theta$ -semicontinuous, fuzzy  $\theta$ -continuous, fuzzy  $\delta$  - semicontinuous, fuzzy  $\delta$ -precontinuous, fuzzy  $a$ -continuous, fuzzy  $M$  - continuous, fuzzy  $e$ -continuous and fuzzy  $e^*$ -continuous mappings.

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## 1.

## Introduction

$\hat{S}$ ostak [30] introduced the fuzzy topology as an extension of Chang's fuzzy topology[4]. It has been developed in many directions [12,13,27]. Weaker forms of fuzzy continuity between fuzzy topological spaces have been considered by many authors [2, 3, 5, 9, 11, 20, 23] using the concepts of fuzzy semi-open sets[2] , fuzzy regular open sets[2], fuzzy preopen sets, fuzzy strongly semiopen sets [3] , fuzzy  $\gamma$ -open sets[11], fuzzy  $\delta$ -semiopen sets[1] , fuzzy  $\delta$ -preopen sets[1], fuzzy semi  $\delta$ -preopen sets [34] and fuzzy  $e$ -open sets [29] Ganguly and Saha [10] introduced the notions of fuzzy  $\delta$ -cluster points in Chang's [4] fuzzy topological spaces. Kim and Park [14] introduced  $r$ - $\delta$ -cluster points and  $\delta$ -closure operators in  $\hat{S}$ ostak's fuzzy topological spaces.

It is a good extension of the notions of Ganguly and Saha[10]. Park et al. [14] introduced the fuzzy semi-preopen. In 2008, the initiations of  $e$ -open sets,  $e^*$ -open sets and  $a$ -open sets in topological spaces are due to Erdal Ekici[[7],[8]]. Sobana et al. [33] defined  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $e$ -open sets in  $\hat{S}$ ostak's fuzzy topological space. Vadivel et al. [36] introduced  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $e^*$ -open sets in  $\hat{S}$ ostak's fuzzy topological space. In 1968, Velicko studied  $\theta$ -open sets [35] and  $\delta$ -open sets for the purpose of investigating the characterizations of  $H$ -closed topological spaces. semi-open set [17] were initiated by Levine in 1963. In 1993, Raychaudhuri and Mukherjee defined  $\delta$ -preopen sets[26]. In 1997,  $\delta$ -semiopen sets was obtained by Park [19] and  $\theta$ -semi-open sets were obtained by Caldas in 2008[6]. Shafei introduced fuzzy  $\theta$ -closed [31] and fuzzy  $\theta$ -open sets in 2006. Maghrabi et al.[21] introduced the notion of  $M$ -open sets in topological spaces in 2011.

In this paper fuzzy  $M$ -continuous, fuzzy  $\theta$ -continuous and fuzzy  $\theta$ -semicontinuous to the fuzzy topological spaces in  $\hat{S}$  ostak's sense are introduced and some of their fundamental properties are studied. Moreover, we investigate the relationships between fuzzy continuous, fuzzy  $\theta$ -semicontinuous, fuzzy  $\theta$ -continuous, fuzzy  $\delta$ -semicontinuous, fuzzy  $\delta$ -precontinuous, fuzzy  $a$ -continuous, fuzzy  $M$ -continuous, fuzzy  $e$ -continuous and fuzzy  $e^*$ -continuous mappings.

## 1.

## Preliminaries

Throughout this article, we denote nonempty sets by  $X, Y$  etc.,  $I = [0, 1]$  and  $I_0 = (0, 1]$ . For  $\alpha \in I, \bar{\alpha}(x) = \alpha, \forall x \in X$ . A fuzzy point  $x_t$  for  $t \in I_0$  is an element of  $I^X$  such that

$$x_t(y) = \begin{cases} t & \text{if } y \text{ is equal to } x \\ 0 & \text{if } y \text{ is not equal to } x. \end{cases}$$

Let  $Pt(X)$  denote the set of all fuzzy points in  $X$ . A fuzzy point  $x_t \in \mu$  iff  $t < \mu(x)$ .  $\mu \in I^X$  is quasi-coincident with  $\nu$ , denoted by  $\mu q \nu$ , if  $\exists x \in X$  such that  $\mu(x) + \nu(x) > 1$ .

If  $\mu$  is not quasi-coincident with  $\nu$ , we denoted  $\mu \bar{q} \nu$ . If  $A$  is a subset of  $X$ , we define the characteristic function  $\chi_A$  on  $X$  by  $\chi_A(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in A \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin A \end{cases}$ . All notations and definitions will be standard in the fuzzy set theory.

**Lemma 1.1** [30] Consider  $X$  be a nonempty set and  $\mu, \nu \in I^X$ . Then

- (i)  $\mu q \nu$  iff there exists  $x_t \in \mu$  such that  $x_t q \nu$ .
- (ii)  $\mu q \nu$ , then  $\mu \wedge \nu \neq \bar{0}$ .
- (iii)  $\mu \bar{q} \nu$  iff  $\mu \leq \bar{1} - \nu$ .
- (iv)  $\mu \leq \nu$  iff  $x_t \in \mu$  implies  $x_t \in \nu$  iff  $x_t q \mu$  implies  $x_t q \nu$  implies  $x_t \bar{q} \mu$ .
- (v)  $x_t \bar{q} \bigvee_{i \in \mu} \nu_i$  iff there exists  $i_0 \in \mu$  such that  $x_t \bar{q} \nu_{i_0}$ .

**Definition 1.1** [30] A function  $\tau : I^X \rightarrow I$  is called a fuzzy topology on  $X$  if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (1)  $\tau(\bar{0}) = \tau(\bar{1}) = 1$ ,
- (2)  $\tau(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \nu_i) \geq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \tau(\nu_i)$ , for any  $\{\nu_i\}_{i \in \Gamma} \subset I^X$ ,
- (3)  $\tau(\nu_1 \wedge \nu_2) \geq \tau(\nu_1) \wedge \tau(\nu_2)$ , for any  $\nu_1, \nu_2 \in I^X$ .

The pair  $(X, \tau)$  is called a fuzzy topological space or  $\hat{S}$  ostak's fuzzy topological space or smooth topological space (for short, fts, sfts, sts).

**Remark 1.1** [25] Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a sfts. Then, for every  $\iota \in I_0$ ,  $\tau_\iota = \{\nu \in I^X : \tau(\nu) \geq \iota\}$  is a Change's fuzzy topology on  $X$ .

**Theorem 1.1** [27] Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a sfts. Then for each  $\mu \in I^X, \iota \in I_0$ , we define an operator  $C_\tau : I^X \times I_0 \rightarrow I^X$  as follows:

$$C_\tau(\mu, \iota) = \bigwedge \{\nu \in I^X : \mu \leq \nu, \tau(\bar{1} - \nu) \geq \iota\}.$$

For  $\mu, \nu \in I^X$  and  $\iota, s \in I_0$ , the operator  $C_\tau$  satisfies the following conditions:

- (1)  $C_\tau(\bar{0}, t) = \bar{0}$ ,
- (2)  $\mu \leq C_\tau(\mu, t)$ ,
- (3)  $C_\tau(\mu, t) \vee C_\tau(\nu, t) = C_\tau(\mu \vee \nu, t)$ ,
- (4)  $C_\tau(\mu, t) \leq C_\tau(\mu, s)$  if  $t \leq s$ ,
- (5)  $C_\tau(C_\tau(\mu, t), t) = C_\tau(\mu, t)$ .

**Theorem 1.2** [27] Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a sfts. Then for each  $t \in I_0, \mu \in I^X$  we define an operator  $I_\tau : I^X \times I_0 \rightarrow I^X$  as follows:

$$I_\tau(\mu, t) = \bigvee \{v \in I^X : \mu \geq v, \tau(v) \geq t\}.$$

For  $\mu, \nu \in I^X$  and  $t, s \in I_0$ , the operator  $I_\tau$  satisfies the following conditions:

- (i)  $I_\tau(\bar{1}, t) = \bar{1}$ ,
- (ii)  $\mu \geq I_\tau(\mu, t)$ ,
- (iii)  $I_\tau(\mu, t) \wedge I_\tau(\nu, t) = I_\tau(\mu \wedge \nu, t)$ ,
- (iv)  $I_\tau(\mu, t) \leq I_\tau(\mu, s)$  if  $s \leq t$ ,
- (v)  $I_\tau(I_\tau(\mu, t), t) = I_\tau(\mu, t)$ ,
- (vi)  $I_\tau(\bar{1} - \mu, t) = \bar{1} - C_\tau(\mu, t)$  and  $C_\tau(\bar{1} - \mu, t) = \bar{1} - I_\tau(\mu, t)$

**Definition 1.2** [15] Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a sfts. Then for each  $v \in I^X, x_t \in P_t(X)$  and  $t \in nI_0$ ,  $v$  is called

- (i)  $t$ -open  $Q_\tau$ -neighbourhood of  $x_t$  if  $x_t q_\tau v$  with  $\tau(v) \geq t$ .
- (ii)  $t$ -open  $R_\tau$ -neighbourhood of  $x_t$  if  $x_t q_\tau v$  with  $v = I_\tau(C_\tau(\mu, t), t)$ .

We denote  $Q_\tau(x_t, t) = \{v \in I^X : x_t q_\tau v, \tau(v) \geq t\}$ ,  $R_\tau(x_t, t) = \{v \in I^X : x_t q_\tau v = I_\tau(C_\tau(\mu, t), t)\}$ .

**Definition 1.3** [15] Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a sfts. Then for each  $\mu \in I^X, x_t \in P_t(X)$  and  $t \in nI_0$ ,  $x_t$  is called

- (i)  $t$ - $\tau$  cluster point of  $\mu$  if for every  $v \in Q_\tau(x_t, t)$ , we have  $v q \mu$ .
- (ii)  $t$ - $\delta$  cluster point of  $\mu$  if for every  $v \in R_\tau(x_t, t)$ , we have  $v q \mu$ .
- (iii) An  $\delta$ -closure operator is a mapping  $D_\tau : I^X \times I \rightarrow I^X$  defined as follows:  $\delta C_\tau(\mu, t)$  or  $D_\tau(\mu, t) = \bigvee \{x_t \in P_t(X) : x_t \text{ is } r\text{-}\delta\text{-cluster point of } \mu\}$

**Definition 1.4** [17] Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a sfts. For  $\mu, \nu \in I^X$  and  $t \in I_0$ ,  $\mu$  is called an

- (i)  $t$ -fuzzy  $\delta$ -semiopen (resp.  $t$ -fuzzy  $\delta$ -semiclosed) set if  $\mu \leq C_\tau(\delta I_\tau(\mu, t), t)$  (resp.  $I_\tau(\delta C_\tau(\mu, t), t) \leq \mu$ ).
- (ii)  $t$ -fuzzy  $\delta$ -preopen (resp.  $t$ -fuzzy  $\delta$ -preclosed) set if  $\mu \leq I_\tau(\delta C_\tau(\mu, t), t)$  (resp.  $C_\tau(\delta I_\tau(\mu, t), t) \leq \mu$ ).
- (iii)  $t$ -fuzzy  $a$ -open (resp.  $t$ -fuzzy  $a$ -closed) set if  $\mu \leq I_\tau(C_\tau(\delta I_\tau(\mu, t), t), t)$

(resp.  $C_\tau(I_\tau(\delta C_\tau(\mu, \iota), \iota) \leq \mu)$ ).

(iv)  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $e$ -open (resp.  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $e$ -closed) **Error! Reference source not found.** set if  $\mu \leq C_\tau(\delta I_\tau(\mu, \iota), \iota) \vee I_\tau(\delta C_\tau(\mu, \iota), \iota)$

(resp.  $C_\tau(\delta I_\tau(\mu, \iota), \iota) \wedge I_\tau(\delta C_\tau(\mu, \iota), \iota) \leq \mu)$ ).

(v)  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $e^*$ -open (resp.  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $e^*$ -closed) **Error! Reference source not found.** set if  $\mu \leq C_\tau(I_\tau(\delta C_\tau(\mu, \iota), \iota), \iota)$

(resp.  $I_\tau(C_\tau(\delta I_\tau(\mu, \iota), \iota), \iota) \leq \mu)$ ).

(v)  $\iota$ -fuzzy semiopen (resp.  $\iota$ -fuzzy semi-closed) **Error! Reference source not found.** set if  $\mu \leq C_\tau(I_\tau(\mu, \iota), \iota)$

(resp.  $I_\tau(C_\tau(\mu, \iota), \iota) \leq \mu)$ ).

**Definition 1.5** [37]

(i)  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $\theta$ -interior (resp.  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $\theta$ -semi-interior and  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $\theta$ -pre-interior) of a subset  $\mu$  in a sfts  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $\forall \iota \in I_0$ , denoted by  $\theta I_\tau(\mu, \iota)$  (resp.  $\theta s I_\tau(\mu, \iota)$  and  $\theta p I_\tau(\mu, \iota)$ ) defined as  $\theta I_\tau(\mu, \iota) = \bigvee \{I_\tau(\nu) : \mu \geq \nu, \tau(\bar{1} - \nu) \geq \iota\}$ ;  $\theta s I_\tau(\mu, \iota) = \bigvee \{s I_\tau(\nu) : \mu \geq \nu, \nu \text{ is r-fsc}\}$ ;  $\theta p I_\tau(\mu, \iota) = \bigvee \{p I_\tau(\nu) : \mu \geq \nu, \nu \text{ is r-fpc}\}$ .

(ii)  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $\theta$ -closure (resp.  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $\theta$ -semi-closure and  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $\theta$ -pre-closure) of a subset  $\mu$  in a sfts  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $\forall \iota \in I_0$ , denoted by  $\theta C_\tau(\mu, \iota)$  (resp.  $\theta s C_\tau(\mu, \iota)$  and  $\theta p C_\tau(\mu, \iota)$ ) defined as  $\theta C_\tau(\mu, \iota) = \bigwedge \{C_\tau(\nu) : \mu \leq \nu, \tau(\nu) \geq \iota\}$ ;  $\theta s C_\tau(\mu, \iota) = \bigwedge \{s C_\tau(\nu) : \mu \leq \nu, \nu \text{ is } \iota\text{-fso}\}$ ;  $\theta p C_\tau(\mu, \iota) = \bigwedge \{p C_\tau(\nu) : \mu \leq \nu, \nu \text{ is } \iota\text{-fpo}\}$ .

**Definition 1.6** [37] Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a sfts. For  $\mu, \nu \in I^X$  and  $\iota \in I_0$ ,  $\mu$  is called an

(i)  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $\theta$ -open (resp.  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $\theta$ -closed) set if  $\mu = \theta I_\tau(\mu, \iota)$  (resp.  $\mu = \theta C_\tau(\mu, \iota)$ ).

(ii)  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $\theta$ -semiopen (resp.  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $\theta$ -semiclosed) set if  $\mu \leq C_\tau(\theta I_\tau(\mu, \iota), \iota)$  (resp.  $I_\tau(\theta C_\tau(\mu, \iota), \iota) \leq \mu$ ).

(iii)  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $\theta$ -preopen (resp.  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $\theta$ -preclosed) set if  $\mu \leq I_\tau(\theta C_\tau(\mu, \iota), \iota)$  (resp.  $C_\tau(\theta I_\tau(\mu, \iota), \iota) \leq \mu$ ).

The family of all  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $\theta$ -open (resp.  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $\theta$ -closed),  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $\theta$ -semiopen, (resp.  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $\theta$ -semiclosed),  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $\theta$ -preopen (resp.  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $\theta$ -preclosed) sets will be denoted by  $\iota$ -f $\theta$ o (resp.  $\iota$ -f $\theta$ c),  $\iota$ -f $\theta$ so (resp.  $\iota$ -f $\theta$ sc),  $\iota$ -f $\theta$ po (resp.  $\iota$ -f $\theta$ pc) sets.

**Lemma 1.2** [37] Let  $\mu, \nu \in I^X$  and  $\iota \in I_0$  in a sfts  $(X, \tau)$ , then

(i)  $\mu$  is  $\iota$ -fuzzy  $\theta$ -open iff  $\mu = \theta I_\tau(\mu, \iota)$ .

(ii) If  $\mu < \nu$ , then  $\theta I_\tau(\mu, \iota) < \theta I_\tau(\nu, \iota)$ .

(iii)  $\theta I_\tau(\theta I_\tau(\mu, \iota)) < \theta I_\tau(\mu, \iota)$ .

(iv) For any subset  $\mu$  of  $X$ ,  $\mu \leq C_\tau(\mu, \iota) \leq \delta C_\tau(\mu, \iota) \leq \theta C_\tau(\mu, \iota)$  (resp.

$\theta I_\tau(\mu, \iota) \leq \delta I_\tau(\mu, \iota) \leq I_\tau(\mu, \iota) \leq \mu$ ).

(v)  $\bar{1} - (\theta I_\tau(\mu, \iota)) = \theta C_\tau(\bar{1} - \mu, \iota)$ .

(vi)  $\bar{1} - (\theta C_\tau(\mu, \iota)) = \theta I_\tau(\bar{1} - \mu, \iota)$ .

(vii)  $\theta I_\tau(\mu \wedge \nu, \iota) = \theta I_\tau(\mu, \iota) \wedge \theta I_\tau(\nu, \iota)$  and

$\theta I_\tau(\mu, \iota) \vee \theta I_\tau(\nu, \iota) < \theta I_\tau(\mu \vee \nu, \iota)$ .

(viii)  $\theta C_\tau(\mu \wedge \nu, t) = \theta C_\tau(\mu, t) \wedge \theta C_\tau(\nu, t)$  and  
 $\theta C_\tau(\mu \vee \nu, t) = \theta C_\tau(\mu, t) \vee \theta C_\tau(\nu, t)$ .

**Proposition 1.1** [37] Let  $\mu \in I^X$  and  $t \in I_0$  in a sfts  $(X, \tau)$ , then

- (i)  $\theta sC_\tau(\mu, t) = \mu \vee I_\tau(\theta C_\tau(\mu, t), t)$  and  $\theta sI_\tau(\mu, t) = \mu \wedge C_\tau(\theta I_\tau(\mu, t), t)$ .
- (ii)  $\delta pC_\tau(\mu, t) = \mu \vee C_\tau(\delta I_\tau(\mu, t), t)$  and  $\delta pI_\tau(\mu, t) = \mu \wedge I_\tau(\delta C_\tau(\mu, t), t)$ .
- (iii)  $\bar{1} - (\delta I_\tau(\mu, t)) = \delta C_\tau(\bar{1} - \mu, t)$  and  $\delta I_\tau(\bar{1} - \mu, t) = \bar{1} - \delta C_\tau(\mu, t)$

**Lemma 1.3** [37] Let  $\nu \in I^X$  and  $t \in I_0$  in a sfts  $(X, \tau)$ , then

- (i)  $\delta pC_\tau(\nu, t) = \nu \vee C_\tau(\delta I_\tau(\nu, t), t)$  and  $\delta pI_\tau(\nu, t) = \nu \wedge I_\tau(\delta C_\tau(\nu, t), t)$ .
- (ii)  $\delta pC_\tau(\delta pI_\tau(\nu, t), t) = \delta pI_\tau(\nu, t) \vee C_\tau(\delta I_\tau(\nu, t), t)$
- (iii)  $\delta pI_\tau(\delta pC_\tau(\nu, t), t) = \delta pC_\tau(\nu, t) \wedge I_\tau(\delta C_\tau(\nu, t), t)$ .
- (iv)  $\delta sI_\tau(\nu, t) = \nu \wedge C_\tau(\delta I_\tau(\nu, t), t)$  and  $\delta sC_\tau(\nu, t) = \nu \vee I_\tau(\delta C_\tau(\nu, t), t)$ .

**Lemma 1.4** [37] Let  $\nu \in I^X$  and  $t \in I_0$  in a sfts  $(X, \tau)$ , then

- (i)  $C_\tau(\delta I_\tau(\nu, t), t) = \delta C_\tau(\delta I_\tau(\nu, t), t)$ .
- (ii)  $I_\tau(\delta C_\tau(\nu, t), t) = \delta I_\tau(\delta C_\tau(\nu, t), t)$ .

**Definition 1.7** [37] A subset  $\mu$  in a sfts  $(X, \tau)$  is called a  $t$ -fuzzy locally closed set  $\forall t \in I_0$ , if  $\mu = \nu \wedge \alpha$ , where  $\tau(\nu) \geq t$ ,  $\alpha$  is  $t$ -fuzzy closed in  $X$ .

**Definition 1.8** [37] Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a sfts. For  $\mu \in I^X$  and  $t \in I_0$ , then A sfts  $(X, \tau)$  is  $t$ -fuzzy extremely disconnected (briefly,  $t$ -FED) if the  $t$ -fuzzy closure of every  $t$ -fuzzy open set of  $X$  is  $t$ -fuzzy open.

**Definition 1.9** [37] A subset  $\mu \in I^X$ , &  $\forall t \in I_0$  in a sfts  $(X, \tau)$  is called an  $t$ -fuzzy

- (i)  $M$ -open set if  $\mu \leq C_\tau(\theta I_\tau(\mu, t), t) \vee I_\tau(\delta C_\tau(\mu, t), t)$ .
- (ii)  $M$ -closed set if  $\mu \geq I_\tau(\theta C_\tau(\mu, t), t) \wedge C_\tau(\delta I_\tau(\mu, t), t)$ .

**Definition 1.10** [37]  $t$ -fuzzy  $M$ -interior (resp.  $t$ -fuzzy  $M$ -closure) of  $\mu$  in a sfts  $(X, \tau)$ .  $\forall t \in I_0$ , denoted by  $MI_\tau(\mu, t)$  (resp.  $MC_\tau(\mu, t)$ ) defined as  $MI_\tau(\mu, t) = \bigvee \{ \nu \in I^X : \mu \geq \nu, \nu \text{ is a } t\text{-fM o set} \}$ ;  $MC_\tau(\mu, t) = \bigwedge \{ \nu \in I^X : \mu \leq \nu, \nu \text{ is a } t\text{-fM c set} \}$ .

**Proposition 1.2** [37] Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a fuzzy topological space.  $\lambda \in I^X$  and  $r \in I_0$ , then

- (i) Every  $t$ -fuzzy  $\theta$ -semiopen (resp.  $t$ -fuzzy  $\delta$ -preopen) set is  $t$ -fuzzy  $M$ -open.
- (ii) Every  $t$ -fuzzy  $M$ -open set is  $t$ -fuzzy  $e$ -open.

**Proposition 1.3** [37] If  $\lambda$  is an  $t$ -fuzzy  $M$ -open subset of a sfts  $(X, \tau)$  and  $\theta I_\tau(\lambda, t) = \bar{0}$ , then  $\lambda$  is  $t$ -fuzzy  $\delta$ -preopen.

**Theorem 1.3** [37] Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a sfts. Let  $\lambda \in I^X$  and  $\iota \in I_0$ .

- (i)  $\lambda$  is  $\iota$ -fM o iff  $\lambda = MI_\tau(\lambda, \iota)$ .
- (ii)  $\lambda$  is  $\iota$ -fM c iff  $\lambda = MC_\tau(\lambda, \iota)$ .

**Theorem 1.4** [37] Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a sfts. For  $\lambda \in I^X$  and  $\iota \in I_0$  we have

- (i)  $MI_\tau(1-\lambda, \iota) = 1 - (MC_\tau(\lambda, \iota))$ .
- (ii)  $MC_\tau(1-\lambda, \iota) = 1 - (MI_\tau(\lambda, \iota))$ .

**Theorem 1.5** [37] Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a sfts. Let  $\lambda \in I^X$  and  $\iota \in I_0$ , the following statements hold:

- (i)  $MC_\tau(0, \iota) = 0$  and  $MI_\tau(1, \iota) = 1$ .
- (ii)  $I_\tau(\lambda, \iota) \leq MI_\tau(\lambda, \iota) \leq \lambda \leq MC_\tau(\lambda, \iota) \leq C_\tau(\lambda, \iota)$ .
- (iii)  $\lambda \leq \mu \Rightarrow MI_\tau(\lambda, \iota) \leq MI_\tau(\mu, \iota)$  and  $MC_\tau(\lambda, \iota) \leq MC_\tau(\mu, \iota)$ .
- (iv)  $MC_\tau(MC_\tau(\lambda, \iota), \iota) = MC_\tau(\lambda, \iota)$  and  $MI_\tau(MI_\tau(\lambda, \iota), \iota) = MI_\tau(\lambda, \iota)$ .
- (v)  $MC_\tau(\lambda, \iota) \vee MC_\tau(\mu, \iota) < MC_\tau(\lambda \vee \mu, \iota)$  and  $MI_\tau(\lambda, \iota) \vee MI_\tau(\mu, \iota) < MI_\tau(\lambda \vee \mu, \iota)$ .
- (vi)  $MC_\tau(\lambda \wedge \mu, \iota) < MC_\tau(\lambda, \iota) \wedge MC_\tau(\mu, \iota)$  and  $MI_\tau(\lambda \wedge \mu, \iota) < MI_\tau(\lambda, \iota) \wedge MI_\tau(\mu, \iota)$ .

**Theorem 1.6** [37] Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a sfts. For  $\lambda, \mu \in I^X$  and  $\iota \in I_0$ .

- (i)  $\lambda$  is  $\iota$ -fM o iff  $1-\lambda$  is  $\iota$ -fM c.
- (ii) If  $\tau(\lambda) \geq \iota$ , then  $\lambda$  is  $\iota$ -fM o set.
- (iii)  $I_\tau(\lambda, \iota)$  is an  $\iota$ -fM o set.
- (iv)  $C_\tau(\lambda, \iota)$  is an  $\iota$ -fM c set.

**Definition 1.11** Let  $(X, \tau_1)$  and  $(X, \tau_2)$  be fts's and  $f: (X, \tau_1) \rightarrow (Y, \tau_2)$  a mapping.

- (i)  $f$  is called fuzzy continuous (briefly, f-cts) [25] if  $\tau_2(\mu) \leq \tau_1(f^{-1}(\mu))$  for each  $\mu \in I^Y$ .
- (ii)  $f$  is called fuzzy semicontinuous (briefly, fs-cts) [25] if  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is r-fso for each  $\mu \in I^X, \iota \in I_0$  with  $\tau_2(\mu) \geq \iota$ .
- (iii)  $f$  is called fuzzy precontinuous (briefly, fp-cts) [25] if  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is r-fpo for each  $\mu \in I^X, \iota \in I_0$  with  $\tau_2(\mu) \geq \iota$ .

**Definition 1.12** Let  $(X, \tau_1)$  and  $(X, \tau_2)$  be fts's and  $f: (X, \tau_1) \rightarrow (Y, \tau_2)$  a mapping.

- (i)  $f$  is called fuzzy  $\delta$ -semicontinuous (briefly, f $\delta$ s-cts) [33] if  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is r-f $\delta$ so for each  $\mu \in I^X, \iota \in I_0$  with  $\tau_2(\mu) \geq \iota$ .
- (ii)  $f$  is called fuzzy  $\delta$ -precontinuous (briefly, f $\delta$ p-cts) [33] if  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is r-f $\delta$ po (resp. r-fs $\delta$ po) for each  $\mu \in I^X, \iota \in I_0$  with  $\tau_2(\mu) \geq \iota$ .  $f$  is called fuzzy  $a$ -continuous (or) fuzzy semi  $\delta$ -precontinuous **Error! Reference source not found.** if  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is r-fao for each  $\mu \in I^X, \iota \in I_0$  with  $\tau_2(\mu) \geq \iota$ .
- (iii)  $f$  is called fuzzy  $e$ -continuous (briefly, fe-cts) [33] if  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is r-feo for each  $\mu \in I^X, \iota \in I_0$  with  $\tau_2(\mu) \geq \iota$ .
- (iv)  $f$  is called fuzzy  $e^*$ -continuous (briefly, fe\*-cts) [33] if  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is r-fe\*o for each

$\mu \in I^X, \iota \in I_0$  with  $\tau_2(\mu) \geq \iota$ .

## 2. Fuzzy $M$ -continuous Mappings

**Definition 2.1** Let  $(X, \tau_1)$  and  $(X, \tau_2)$  be sfts's and  $f: (X, \tau_1) \rightarrow (Y, \tau_2)$  be a mapping. Then  $f$  is called

(i) fuzzy  $M$ -continuous (briefly,  $fM$ -cts) if  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is  $\iota$ - $fM$  o for each  $\mu \in I^X, \iota \in I_0$  with  $\tau_2(\mu) \geq \iota$ .

(ii) fuzzy  $\theta$ -continuous (briefly,  $f\theta$ -cts) if  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is  $\iota$ - $f\theta$  o for each  $\mu \in I^X, \iota \in I_0$  with  $\tau_2(\mu) \geq \iota$ .

(iii) fuzzy  $\theta$ -semicontinuous (briefly,  $f\theta$ s-cts) if  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is  $\iota$ - $f\theta$  so for each  $\mu \in I^X, \iota \in I_0$  with  $\tau_2(\mu) \geq \iota$ .

**Remark 2.1** The following implications are true for  $\iota \in I_0$ .

From the above definitions, it is clear that every  $f$ - $\delta$ p-cts map is  $fM$ -cts map and every fuzzy  $\theta$ s-cts map is  $fM$ -cts map. Also, it is clear that every  $fM$ -cts map is  $f e$ -cts map and  $f e^*$ -cts map. Also, every  $f\theta$ -cts map,  $f\delta$ -cts map,  $f a$ -cts map is  $fM$ -cts map. The converses need not be true in general, it is shown in the succeeding examples.

**Example 2.1** Consider the identity mapping  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \eta)$ , where  $X = Y = \{x, y, z\}$ ,  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  defined as follows

$\lambda(x) = 0.4, \lambda(y) = 0.5, \lambda(z) = 0.2, \mu(x) = 0.5, \mu(y) = 0.4, \mu(z) = 0.7$ . Then  $\tau, \eta: I^X \rightarrow I$  defined as

$$\tau(\lambda) = \{1,$$

$= 0 \text{ or } 1, \frac{1}{2}, \text{ if } = , 0, \text{ otherwise}, \eta(\mu) = \{1, = 0 \text{ or } 1, \frac{1}{2}, \text{ if } = , 0, \text{ otherwise},$  are fuzzy topologies

on  $X$  and  $Y$ . Take  $\iota = \frac{1}{2}$ . For any  $\frac{1}{2}$ -fuzzy open set  $\mu$  in  $(Y, \eta)$ ,  $f^{-1}(\mu) = \mu$  is  $\frac{1}{2}$ - $f e^*$  o set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $f$  is  $f e^*$ -cts, but  $f$  is not  $fM$ -cts, since  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is not  $\frac{1}{2}$ - $fM$  o in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Example 2.2** Let  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  be fuzzy subsets of  $X = Y = \{x, y, z\}$  defined as follows

$$\lambda(x) = 0.5, \lambda(y) = 0.3, \lambda(z) = 0.2;$$

$$\mu(x) = 0.5, \mu(y) = 0.4, \mu(z) = 0.4.$$

Then  $\tau, \eta: I^X \rightarrow I$  defined as

$$\tau(\lambda) = \{1,$$

$= 0$  or  $1, \frac{1}{2}$ , if  $= , 0$ , otherwise,  $\eta(\mu) = \{1, = 0$  or  $1, \frac{1}{2}$ , if  $= , 0$ , otherwise, are fuzzy topologies on  $X$  and  $Y$ . Consider the identity mapping  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \eta)$ . Take  $\iota = \frac{1}{2}$ . For any  $\frac{1}{2}$ -fo set  $\mu$  in  $(Y, \eta)$ ,  $f^{-1}(\mu) = \mu$  is  $\frac{1}{2}$ -feo set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $f$  is fe-cts, but  $f$  is not fM-cts, since  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is not  $\frac{1}{2}$ -fM o in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Example 2.3** Let  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  be fuzzy subsets of  $X = Y = \{x, y, z\}$  defined as follows

$$\lambda(x) = 0.1, \quad \lambda(y) = 0.1, \quad \lambda(z) = 0.1;$$

$$\mu(x) = 0.9, \quad \mu(y) = 0.9, \quad \mu(z) = 0.9.$$

Then  $\tau, \eta : I^X \rightarrow I$  defined as

$$\tau(\lambda) = \{1,$$

$= 0$  or  $1, \frac{1}{2}$ , if  $= , 0$ , otherwise,  $\eta(\mu) = \{1, = 0$  or  $1, \frac{1}{2}$ , if  $= , 0$ , otherwise, are fuzzy topologies on  $X$  and  $Y$ . Consider the identity mapping  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \eta)$ . Take  $\iota = \frac{1}{2}$ . For any  $\frac{1}{2}$ -fuzzy open set  $\mu$  in  $(Y, \eta)$ ,  $f^{-1}(\mu) = \mu$  is  $\frac{1}{2}$ -fM o set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $f$  is fM-cts, but  $f$  is not f $\delta$ p-cts, f $\delta$ -cts and fa-cts, since  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is not  $\frac{1}{2}$ -f $\delta$ po,  $\frac{1}{2}$ -f $\delta$ o and  $\frac{1}{2}$ -fao sets.

**Example 2.4** Let  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  be fuzzy subsets of  $X = Y = \{x, y, z\}$  defined as follows

$$\lambda(x) = 0.1, \quad \lambda(y) = 0.1, \quad \lambda(z) = 0.1;$$

$$\mu(x) = 0.9, \quad \mu(y) = 0.9, \quad \mu(z) = 0.9.$$

Then  $\tau, \eta : I^X \rightarrow I$  defined as

$$\tau(\lambda) = \{1,$$

$= 0$  or  $1, \frac{1}{2}$ , if  $= , 0$ , otherwise,  $\eta(\mu) = \{1, = 0$  or  $1, \frac{1}{2}$ , if  $= , 0$ , otherwise, are fuzzy topologies on  $X$  and  $Y$ . Consider the identity mapping  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \eta)$ . Take  $\iota = \frac{1}{2}$ . For any  $\frac{1}{2}$ -fo set  $\mu$  in  $(Y, \eta)$ ,  $f^{-1}(\mu) = \mu$  is  $\frac{1}{2}$ -f $\delta$ so set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $f$  is fuzzy  $\delta$ s-cts, but  $f$  is not f $\delta$ -cts, since  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is not  $\frac{1}{2}$ -f $\delta$ o set.

**Example 2.5** Let  $\lambda, \mu$  and  $\omega$  be fuzzy subsets of  $X = Y = \{x, y, z\}$  defined as follows

$$\lambda(x) = 0.3, \quad \lambda(y) = 0.4, \quad \lambda(z) = 0.5;$$

$$\mu(x) = 0.6, \quad \mu(y) = 0.9, \quad \mu(z) = 0.5;$$

$$\omega(x) = 0.7, \quad \omega(y) = \bar{1}, \quad \omega(z) = 0.5.$$

Then  $\tau, \eta : I^X \rightarrow I$  defined as



$\tau(\lambda) = \{1,$   
 $= 0 \text{ or } 1, \frac{1}{2}, \text{if } \lambda = \emptyset, 0, \text{ otherwise}, \eta(\mu) = \{1, = 0 \text{ or } 1, \frac{1}{2}, \text{if } \mu = \emptyset, 0, \text{ otherwise},$

are fuzzy topologies on  $X$  and  $Y$ . Consider the identity mapping  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \eta)$ . Take  $\iota = \frac{1}{2}$ . For any  $\frac{1}{2}$ -fo set  $\omega$  in  $(Y, \eta)$ ,  $f^{-1}(\omega) = \omega$  is  $\frac{1}{2}$ -fMo set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $f$  is fM-cts, but  $f$  is neither f $\theta$ s-cts nor f $\delta$ s-cts, since  $f^{-1}(\omega)$  is neither  $\frac{1}{2}$ -f $\theta$ so nor  $\frac{1}{2}$ -f $\delta$ so set.

**Example 2.6** Let  $\lambda, \mu$  and  $\omega$  be fuzzy subsets of  $X = Y = \{x, y, z\}$  defined as follows

$$\lambda(x) = 0.3, \lambda(y) = 0.4, \lambda(z) = 0.5;$$

$$\mu(x) = 0.6, \mu(y) = 0.5, \mu(z) = 0.5;$$

$$\omega(x) = 0.7, \omega(y) = 0.6, \omega(z) = 0.5.$$

Then  $\tau, \eta : I^X \rightarrow I$  defined as

$\tau(\lambda) = \{1,$   
 $= 0 \text{ or } 1, \frac{1}{2}, \text{if } \lambda = \emptyset, 0, \text{ otherwise}, \eta(\mu) = \{1, = 0 \text{ or } 1, \frac{1}{2}, \text{if } \mu = \emptyset, 0, \text{ otherwise},$

are fuzzy topologies on  $X$  and  $Y$ . Consider the identity mapping  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \eta)$ . Take  $\iota = \frac{1}{2}$ . For any  $\frac{1}{2}$ -fo set  $\omega$  in  $(Y, \eta)$ ,  $f^{-1}(\omega) = \omega$  is  $\frac{1}{2}$ -fMo and  $\frac{1}{2}$ -f $\theta$ so set in  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $f$  is fM-cts and f $\theta$ s-cts, but  $f$  is not f $\theta$ -cts, since  $f^{-1}(\omega)$  is not  $\frac{1}{2}$ -f $\theta$ o set.

**Example 2.7** Let  $\lambda, \mu$  and  $\omega$  be fuzzy subsets of  $X = Y = \{x, y, z\}$  defined as follows

$$\lambda(x) = 0.3, \lambda(y) = 0.5, \lambda(z) = 0.5;$$

$$\mu(x) = 0.5, \mu(y) = 0.5, \mu(z) = 0.5;$$

$$\omega(x) = 0.7, \omega(y) = 0.6, \omega(z) = 0.5.$$

Then  $\tau, \eta : I^X \rightarrow I$  defined as

$\tau(\lambda) = \{1,$   
 $= 0 \text{ or } 1, \frac{1}{2}, \text{if } \lambda = \emptyset, 0, \text{ otherwise}, \eta(\mu) = \{1, = 0 \text{ or } 1, \frac{1}{2}, \text{if } \mu = \emptyset, 0, \text{ otherwise},$

are fuzzy topologies on  $X$  and  $Y$ . Consider the identity mapping  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \eta)$ . Take  $\iota = \frac{1}{2}$ . For any  $\frac{1}{2}$ -fuzzy open set  $\lambda$  in  $(Y, \eta)$ ,  $f^{-1}(\lambda) = \lambda$  is  $\frac{1}{2}$ -fuzzy open in  $(X, \tau)$ . Then  $f$  is f-cts, but  $f$  is not f $\theta$ -cts and f $\delta$ -cts, since  $f^{-1}(\lambda)$  is neither  $\frac{1}{2}$ -f $\theta$ o nor  $\frac{1}{2}$ -f $\delta$ o set.

**Theorem 2.1** Let  $(X, \tau_1)$  and  $(Y, \tau_2)$  be fts's and  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping. Then the following statements are equivalent:

(i)  $f$  is fM-cts mapping.

(ii)  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is  $\iota$ -fM c in  $X$  for each  $\mu \in I^Y, \iota \in I_0$  with  $\tau_2(1-\mu) \geq \iota$ .

- (iii)  $f(MC_{\tau_1}(\lambda, \iota)) \leq C_{\tau_2}(f(\lambda), \iota), \forall \lambda \in I^X$  and  $r \in I_0$ .
- (iv)  $MC_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota) \leq f^{-1}(C_{\tau_2}(\mu, \iota)), \forall \mu \in I^Y$  and  $r \in I_0$ .
- (v)  $I_{\tau_1}(\theta C_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota) \wedge C_{\tau_1}(\delta I_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota) \leq f^{-1}(C_{\tau_2}(\mu, \iota)), \forall \mu \in I^Y$  and  $r \in I_0$ .
- (vi)  $f^{-1}(I_{\tau_2}(\mu, \iota)) \leq MI_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota)$ , for each  $\mu \in I^Y$  and  $r \in I_0$ .

**Proof.** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii): Let  $\mu \in I^Y, \iota \in I_0$  with  $\tau_2(\bar{1} - \mu) \geq \iota$ . Since  $f$  is fM -cts mapping,  $f^{-1}(\bar{1} - \mu)$  is an  $\iota$ -fM o set of  $X$ . But  $f^{-1}(\bar{1} - \mu) = \bar{1} - f^{-1}(\mu)$ . Therefore  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is an  $\iota$ -fM c set of  $X$ .

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii): Let  $\lambda \in I^X, r \in I_0$ , since  $\tau_2(\bar{1} - C_{\tau_2}(f(\lambda), \iota)) \geq \iota$ . Then by (ii),  $f^{-1}(C_{\tau_2}(f(\lambda), \iota))$  is an  $\iota$ -fM c set of  $X$ . Since

$$\lambda \leq f^{-1}(f(\lambda)) \leq f^{-1}(C_{\tau_2}(f(\lambda), \iota)),$$

we have  $MC_{\tau_1}(\lambda, \iota) \leq f^{-1}(C_{\tau_2}(f(\lambda), \iota))$ . Hence  $f(MC_{\tau_1}(\lambda, \iota)) \leq C_{\tau_2}(f(\lambda), \iota)$ .

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iv): For all  $\mu \in I^Y, \iota \in I_0$ , let  $\lambda = f^{-1}(\mu)$ . By (iii), we have

$$f(MC_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota)) \leq C_{\tau_2}(f(f^{-1}(\mu)), \iota) \leq C_{\tau_2}(\mu, \iota).$$

It implies  $MC_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota) \leq f^{-1}(C_{\tau_2}(\mu, \iota))$ .

(iv)  $\Rightarrow$  (i): Let  $\mu \in I^Y, \iota \in I_0$  with  $\tau_2(\mu) \geq \iota$ . By (iv),

$$MC_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\bar{1} - \mu), \iota) \leq f^{-1}(C_{\tau_2}(\bar{1} - \mu, \iota)) = f^{-1}(\bar{1} - \mu).$$

By Theorem 1.4, we have  $f^{-1}(\bar{1} - \mu) \geq \bar{1} - (MI_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota))$ . Hence  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is  $\iota$ -fM o set in  $X$ .

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (v): For all  $\mu \in I^Y, \iota \in I_0$ , since  $\tau_2(\bar{1} - C_{\tau_2}(\mu, \iota)) \geq \iota$ . Then by (ii), we see that  $f^{-1}(C_{\tau_2}(\mu, \iota))$  is  $\iota$ -fM c in  $X$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(C_{\tau_2}(\mu, \iota)) &\geq I_{\tau_1}(\theta C_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(C_{\tau_2}(\mu, \iota)), \iota), \iota) \wedge C_{\tau_1}(\delta I_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(C_{\tau_2}(\mu, \iota)), \iota), \iota) \\ &\geq I_{\tau_1}(\theta C_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota) \wedge C_{\tau_1}(\delta I_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota). \end{aligned}$$

(v)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii): For all  $\mu \in I^Y, r \in I_0$ , with  $\tau_2(\bar{1} - \mu) \geq \iota$ . Then by (v),

$$I_{\tau_1}(\theta C_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota) \wedge C_{\tau_1}(\delta I_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota) \leq f^{-1}(C_{\tau_2}(\mu, \iota)) = f^{-1}(\mu).$$

Hence  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is  $\iota$ -fM c in  $X$ .

(iv)  $\Rightarrow$  (vi): It is easily proved from Theorem (1.4)

(vi)  $\Rightarrow$  (i): Let  $\mu$  be  $\iota$ -fuzzy open set of  $Y$ . Then  $\mu = I_{\eta}(\mu, \iota)$ .

By (vi),  $f^{-1}(\mu) \leq MI_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota)$ .

On the other hand, by Theorem(1.5),

$$f^{-1}(\mu) \geq MI_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota).$$

Thus,  $f^{-1}(\mu) = MI_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota)$ , that is,  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is  $\iota$ -fM o set.

**Theorem 2.2** For a map  $f : (X, \tau_1) \rightarrow (Y, \tau_2)$  the succeeding statements are equivalent:

- (i)  $f$  is fM -cts mapping.
- (ii)  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is  $\iota$ -fM c in  $X$  for each  $\lambda \in I^Y, \iota \in I_0$  with  $\tau_2(\bar{1} - \mu) \geq \iota$ .
- (iii)  $I_{\tau_1}(\theta C_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota) \wedge C_{\tau_1}(\delta I_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota) \leq f^{-1}(C_{\tau_2}(\mu, \iota)), \forall \mu \in I^Y$  and  $r \in I_0$ .

(iv)  $f^{-1}(I_{\tau_2}(\mu, \iota)) \leq C_{\tau_1}(\theta I_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota) \vee I_{\tau_1}(\delta C_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota)$  for each  $\mu \in I^Y$  and  $r \in I_0$ .

**Proof.** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii): Let  $\mu \in I^Y, \iota \in I_0$  with  $\tau_2(\bar{1} - \mu) \geq \iota$ . Since  $f$  is fuzzy  $M$ -continuous mapping,  $f^{-1}(\bar{1} - \mu)$  is an  $\iota$ -fM o set of  $X$ . But  $f^{-1}(\bar{1} - \mu) = 1 - f^{-1}(\mu)$ . Therefore  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is an  $\iota$ -fM c set of  $X$ .

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii): For all  $\mu \in I^Y, \iota \in I_0$ , since  $\tau_2(\bar{1} - C_{\tau_2}(\mu, \iota)) \geq \iota$ . Then by (ii), we see that  $f^{-1}(C_{\tau_2}(\mu, \iota))$  is  $\iota$ -fM c in  $X$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(C_{\tau_2}(\mu, \iota)) &\geq I_{\tau_1}(\theta C_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(C_{\tau_2}(\mu, \iota)), \iota), \iota) \wedge C_{\tau_1}(\delta I_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(C_{\tau_2}(\mu, \iota)), \iota), \iota) \\ &\geq I_{\tau_1}(\theta C_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota) \wedge C_{\tau_1}(\delta I_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota). \end{aligned}$$

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii): For all  $\mu \in I^Y, r \in I_0$ , with  $\tau_2(\bar{1} - \mu) \geq \iota$ . Then by (iii),  $I_{\tau_1}(\theta C_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota) \wedge C_{\tau_1}(\delta I_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota) \leq f^{-1}(C_{\tau_2}(\mu, \iota)) = f^{-1}(\mu)$ . Hence  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is  $\iota$ -fM c in  $X$ .

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iv): For all  $\mu \in I^Y, r \in I_0$ , with  $\tau_2(\bar{1} - \mu) \geq \iota$ . Then by (iii),

$$\begin{aligned} I_{\tau_1}(\theta C_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\bar{1} - \mu), \iota), \iota) \wedge C_{\tau_1}(\delta I_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\bar{1} - \mu), \iota), \iota) &\leq f^{-1}(C_{\tau_2}(\bar{1} - \mu, \iota)). \\ I_{\tau_1}(\theta C_{\tau_1}(\bar{1} - f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota) \wedge C_{\tau_1}(\delta I_{\tau_1}(\bar{1} - f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota) &\leq \bar{1} - f^{-1}(I_{\tau_2}(\mu, \iota)). \\ I_{\tau_1}(\bar{1} - \theta I_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota) \wedge C_{\tau_1}(\bar{1} - \delta I_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota) &\leq \bar{1} - f^{-1}(I_{\tau_2}(\mu, \iota)). \\ \left[ \bar{1} - C_{\tau_1}(\theta I_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota) \right] \wedge \left[ \bar{1} - I_{\tau_1}(\delta C_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota) \right] &\leq \bar{1} - f^{-1}(I_{\tau_2}(\mu, \iota)). \\ C_{\tau_1}(\theta I_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota) \vee I_{\tau_1}(\delta C_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota) &\geq f^{-1}(I_{\tau_2}(\mu, \iota)). \end{aligned}$$

Thus (iv) is proved.

(iv)  $\Rightarrow$  (i): Let  $\mu$  be  $\iota$ -fuzzy open set of  $Y$ . Then  $\mu = I_{\eta}(\mu, \iota)$ . By (iv),

$$f^{-1}(\mu) \leq C_{\tau_1}(\theta I_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota) \vee I_{\tau_1}(\delta C_{\tau_1}(f^{-1}(\mu), \iota), \iota). \text{ That is, } f^{-1}(\mu) \text{ is } \iota\text{-fMo set.}$$

**Definition 2.2** A fuzzy set  $\lambda$  in a fts  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $\iota$ -fuzzy dense if there exists no  $\iota$ -fc set  $\mu$  in  $(X, \tau)$  such that  $\lambda < \mu < 1$ .

**Definition 2.3** A fuzzy set  $\lambda$  in a fts  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $\iota$ -fuzzy nowhere dense if there exists no non-zero  $\iota$ -fo set  $\mu$  in  $(X, \tau)$  such that  $\mu < C_{\tau}(\lambda, \iota)$ . That is.,  $I_{\tau}(C_{\tau}(\lambda, \iota), \iota) = \bar{0}$ , in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Lemma 2.1** For a fts  $(X, \tau)$ , every  $\iota$ -fuzzy dense set is  $\iota$ -fpo.

**Proposition 2.1** Let  $(X, \tau_1)$  and  $(Y, \tau_2)$  be fts's and  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping. An fM -cts mapping  $f$  is  $f\delta p$ -cts if for any fuzzy subset  $\lambda$  of  $X$  is  $\iota$ -fuzzy nowhere dense.

**Proof.** Let  $\mu \in \tau_2$ . Since  $f$  is an fM -cts mapping, then  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is an  $\iota$ -fM o set in  $(X, \tau_1)$ . Put  $f^{-1}(\mu) = \lambda$  is  $\iota$ -fM o set in  $X$ . Hence

$$\lambda \leq C_{\tau}(\theta I_{\tau}(\lambda, t), t) \vee I_{\tau}(\delta C_{\tau}(\lambda, t), t).$$

But  $\theta I_{\tau}(\lambda, t) \leq I_{\tau}(\lambda, t) \leq C_{\tau}(\lambda, t)$ , then  $\theta I_{\tau}(\lambda, t) \leq I_{\tau}(C_{\tau}(\lambda, t), t)$ . Since  $\lambda$  is  $t$ -fuzzy nowhere dense and Lemma **Error! Reference source not found.**, we have  $\theta I_{\tau}(\lambda, t) = \bar{0}$ . Therefore  $f$  is  $f\delta$  p-cts.

**Definition 2.4** Let  $(X, \tau_1)$  and  $(Y, \tau_2)$  be sfts's and  $f: (X, \tau_1) \rightarrow (Y, \tau_2)$  be a mapping. Then  $f$  is called fuzzy  $\theta$ -open map if the image of every  $t$ -fuzzy open set of  $(X, \tau_1)$  is  $t$ -fuzzy  $\theta$ -open set in  $(Y, \tau_2)$ .

**Definition 2.5** Let  $(X, \tau_1)$  and  $(Y, \tau_2)$  be sfts's and  $f: (X, \tau_1) \rightarrow (Y, \tau_2)$  be a mapping. Then  $f$  is called fuzzy  $\theta$ -bicontinuous if  $f$  is fuzzy  $\theta$ -open map and  $\theta$ -continuous map.

**Theorem 2.3** Let  $(X, \tau_1)$  and  $(Y, \tau_2)$  be sfts's and  $f: (X, \tau_1) \rightarrow (Y, \tau_2)$  be a fuzzy  $\theta$ -bicontinuous mapping. Then the inverse image of each  $t$ -fM o set in  $(Y, \tau_2)$  under  $f$  is  $t$ -fM o set in  $(X, \tau_1)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $f$  be a fuzzy  $\theta$ -bicontinuous mapping and  $\mu$  be a  $t$ -fM o set in  $(Y, \tau_2)$ . Then  $\mu \leq C_{\tau_2}(\theta I_{\tau_2}(\mu, t), t) \vee I_{\tau_2}(\delta C_{\tau_2}(\mu, t), t)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(\mu) &\leq f^{-1}(C_{\tau_2}(\theta I_{\tau_2}(\mu, t), t) \vee f^{-1}(I_{\tau_2}(\delta C_{\tau_2}(\mu, t), t))) \\ &\leq C_{\tau_2}(f^{-1}(\theta I_{\tau_2}(\mu, t)), t) \vee f^{-1}(I_{\tau_2}(\delta C_{\tau_2}(\mu, t), t)). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f$  is an fuzzy  $\theta$ -bicontinuous mapping, then  $f$  is fuzzy  $\theta$ -open map and  $\theta$ -continuous map. Then  $f$  is  $f\theta$ s-cts map and  $f\theta$ p-cts map. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(\mu) &\leq C_{\tau_2}(\theta I_{\tau_2}(f^{-1}(\theta I_{\tau_2}(\mu, t)), t), t) \vee I_{\tau_2}(\delta C_{\tau_2}(f^{-1}(I_{\tau_2}(\delta C_{\tau_2}(\mu, t), t))), t), t) \\ &\leq C_{\tau_2} \theta I_{\tau_2}(f^{-1}(\theta I_{\tau_2}(\mu, t)), t), t) \vee I_{\tau_2}(\delta C_{\tau_2}(f^{-1}(\delta C_{\tau_2}(\mu, t), t)), t), t) \\ &\leq C_{\tau_2} \theta I_{\tau_2}(f^{-1}(\mu), t), t) \vee I_{\tau_2} \delta C_{\tau_2}(f^{-1}(\mu), t), t). \end{aligned}$$

This shows that  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is  $t$ -fM o set in  $(X, \tau_1)$ .

**Remark 2.2** Let  $(X, \tau_1)$  and  $(Y, \tau_2)$  be sfts's and  $f: (X, \tau_1) \rightarrow (Y, \tau_2)$  be a fuzzy  $\theta$ -bicontinuous mapping. Then the inverse image of each  $t$ - $f\delta$  po (resp.  $t$ - $f\theta$  so) set in  $Y$  under  $f$  is  $t$ -fM o set in  $X$ .

**Remark 2.3** Let  $(X, \tau_1)$  and  $(Y, \tau_2)$  be fts's and  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping. The composition of two  $fM$ -cts mappings need not be  $fM$ -cts as shown by the following example.

**Example 2.8** Let  $\lambda$ ,  $\omega$  and  $\mu$  be fuzzy subsets of  $X = Y = Z = \{a, b, c\}$  defined as follows

$$\lambda(x) = 0.4, \quad \lambda(y) = 0.5, \quad \lambda(z) = 0.2;$$

$$\omega(x) = 0.7, \quad \omega(y) = \bar{1}, \quad \omega(z) = 0.5.$$

$$\mu(x) = 0.5, \quad \mu(y) = 0.4, \quad \mu(z) = 0.7;$$

Then  $\tau_1, \tau_2$  and  $\tau_3 : I^X \rightarrow I$  defined as

$$\tau_1(\lambda) = \{1,$$

$= 0 \text{ or } 1, \frac{1}{2}, \text{if } = , 0, \text{ otherwise, } \tau_2(\omega) = \{1, = 0 \text{ or } 1, \frac{1}{2}, \text{if } = , 0, \text{ otherwise,}$   
 $\tau_2(\omega) = \{1,$   
 $= 0 \text{ or } 1, \frac{1}{2}, \text{if } = , 0, \text{ otherwise, } \tau_3(\mu) = \{1, = 0 \text{ or } 1, \frac{1}{2}, \text{if } = , 0, \text{ otherwise,}$  are fuzzy topologies on  $X$ ,  $Y$  and  $Z$ . Consider the identity mapping  $f: (X, \tau_1) \rightarrow (Y, \tau_2)$  and  $g: (Y, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Z, \tau_3)$ . Take  $\iota = \frac{1}{2}$ . For any  $\frac{1}{2}$ -fo set  $\omega$  in  $(Y, \tau_2)$ ,  $f^{-1}(\omega) = \omega$  is  $\frac{1}{2}$ -fMo set in  $(X, \tau_1)$ . Also, for any  $\frac{1}{2}$ -fuzzy open set  $\mu$  in  $(Z, \tau_3)$ ,  $g^{-1}(\mu) = \mu$  is  $\frac{1}{2}$ -fMo in  $(Y, \tau_2)$ . Thus  $f$  is fM -cts and  $g$  is fM -cts. But  $g \circ f$  is not fM -cts, as  $\mu$  is  $\frac{1}{2}$ -fo set in  $(Z, \tau_3)$ ,  $(g \circ f)^{-1}(\mu) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(\mu)) = \mu$  is not  $\frac{1}{2}$ -fMo in  $(X, \tau_1)$ .

**Example 2.9** Let  $(X, \tau_1)$ ,  $(Y, \tau_2)$  and  $(Z, \tau_3)$  be sfts's. If  $f: (X, \tau_1) \rightarrow (Y, \tau_2)$  and  $g: (Y, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Z, \tau_3)$  are mappings, then

- (i)  $g \circ f$  is fM -cts mapping if  $f$  is fM -cts and  $g$  is f-cts.
- (ii)  $g \circ f$  is fM -cts mapping if  $f$  is fuzzy  $\theta$ -bicontinuous and  $g$  is fM -cts mapping.

**Proof.** (i) Let  $\mu \in \tau_3$ . Since  $g$  is f-cts, then  $g^{-1}(\mu)$  is an  $\iota$ -fo set in  $(Y, \tau_2)$ . Since  $f$  is fM -cts, then  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(\mu)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(\mu)$  is  $\iota$ -fMo set in  $\tau_1$ . Hence  $g \circ f$  is fM -cts.  
 (ii) Let  $\mu \in \tau_3$ . Since  $g$  is fM -cts, then  $g^{-1}(\mu)$  is an  $\iota$ -fMo set in  $(Y, \tau_2)$ . Since  $f$  is fuzzy  $\theta$ -bicontinuous, by Theorem **Error! Reference source not found.**,  $(g \circ f)^{-1}(\mu)$  is  $\iota$ -fMo set in  $\tau_1$ . Hence  $g \circ f$  is fM -cts.

**Conclusion:** In this paper, fM -cts, f $\theta$ -cts and f $\theta$ s-cts in sfts's. Also, some of their fundamental properties are studied. Moreover, we investigate the relationships between f-cts, f $\theta$ s-cts, f $\theta$ -cts, f $\delta$ s-cts, f $\delta$ p-cts, fa-cts, fM -cts, fe-cts and fe\* -cts mappings.

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