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# SOME NOTIONS OF NEARLY OPEN SETS IN FUZZY TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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## ABSTRACT

In this paper, we introduce a new class of sets, namely fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open sets and fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed sets. Further we define fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -interior and fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closure and discuss their properties. Finally, we relate fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open sets and fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed sets with some other sets in fuzzy topological spaces.

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## **1 INTRODUCTION**

Zadeh, in [7] introduced the concept of fuzzy sets. The study of fuzzy topology was introduced by Chang [4]. In 1991, A.S.Bin shahna [3] introduced  $\alpha$ -open sets in fuzzy topological spaces. After Bin shahna's work, many mathematicians turned their attention to generalizing various concepts in fuzzy topology by considering fuzzy  $\alpha$ -open sets instead of fuzzy open sets. The concept of fuzzy generalized closed sets was introduced by S.S.Thakur [6]. In this paper, we define a new class of sets, namely fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open sets and fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed sets. Further we define fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -interior and fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closure and discuss their properties. Finally, we relate fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open sets and fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed sets with some other sets in fuzzy topological spaces.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

Throughout this paper X and Y denote fuzzy topological spaces  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \sigma)$  on which no separation axioms are assumed. Let A be a subset of a space X. The closure of A and the interior of A are denoted by Cl(A) and Int(A) respectively. The following concepts are used in the sequel.

**Definition 2.1:** [3] A subset A of a fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be a **fuzzy pre-open** if  $A \leq Int(Cl(A))$  and a **fuzzy pre-closed** if  $Cl(Int(A)) \leq A$ .

**Definition 2.2:** [1] A subset A of a fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be a **fuzzy semi-open** if  $A \leq Cl(Int(A))$  and a **fuzzy semi-closed** if  $Int(Cl(A)) \leq A$ .

**Definition 2.3:** [3] A subset A of a fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be a fuzzy  $\alpha$ -open if  $A \leq Int(Cl(Int(A)))$  and a fuzzy  $\alpha$ -closed if  $Cl(Int(Cl(A))) \leq A$ .

**Definition 2.4:** [6] A subset A of a fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be **fuzzy generalized closed** (briefly g-closed) if  $Cl(A) \le U$  whenever  $A \le U$  and U is fuzzy open in X.

**Definition 2.5:** [6] A subset A of a fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be **fuzzy generalized open** (briefly g-open) if its complement is g-closed in X.

**Definition 2.6:** [2] Let A be a subset of a fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , then the **fuzzy generalized closure** of A is defined as the intersection of all fuzzy g-closed sets in X containing A and is denoted by Cl<sup>\*</sup>(A).

**Definition 2.7:** [2] Let A be a subset of a fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , then the **fuzzy generalized interior** of A is defined as the union of all fuzzy g-open sets in X that are contained A and is denoted by Int<sup>\*</sup>(A).

**Definition 2.8:** [5] A subset A of a fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be **fuzzy generalized**  $\alpha$ -closed if  $\alpha$ Cl(A)  $\leq U$  whenever  $A \leq U$  and U is fuzzy  $\alpha$ -open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Definition 2.9:** [5] A subset A of a fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be **fuzzy**  $\alpha$ -generalized closed if  $\alpha$ Cl(A)  $\leq$  U whenever A  $\leq$  U and U is fuzzy open in  $(X, \tau)$ .

The **fuzzy**  $\alpha$ -interior [3] of a subset A of a fuzzy topological space (X,  $\tau$ ) is the union of all fuzzy open sets contained in A and is denoted by  $\alpha$ Int(A). The **fuzzy semi-interior** [1] of A and **fuzzy pre-interior** [3] of A are analogously defined and that are respectively denoted by sInt(A) and pInt(A).

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## **3.** FUZZY α\*-OPEN SETS

**Definition 3.1:** A subset A of a fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called **fuzzy**  $\alpha^*$ -open set if A  $\leq$  Int\*(Cl(Int\*(A))). The collection of all fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open sets in  $(X, \tau)$  is denoted by  $\alpha^*O(X, \tau)$ .

**Lemma 3.2:** If there exists fuzzy g-open set V such that  $V \le A \le Int^*(Cl(V))$ , then A is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open.

**Proof:** Since V is fuzzy g-open,  $Int^*(V) = V$ . Therefore,  $A \leq Int^*(Cl(V)) = Int^*(Cl(Int^*(V))) \leq Int^*(Cl(Int^*(A)))$ . Hence A is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open.

**Theorem 3.3:** Every fuzzy open set is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open.

**Proof:** Let A be a fuzzy open set in X. Every fuzzy open set is fuzzy  $\alpha$ -open. Then  $A \leq Int(Cl(Int(A))) \leq Int^*(Cl(Int^*(A)))$ . Hence A is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open.

**Remark 3.4:** The converse of the above theorem need not be true as seen from the following example.

**Example 3.5:** Let X = {a, b} and  $\tau = \{0, 1, \alpha_1\}$ . The fuzzy sets are defined as  $\alpha_1(a) = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_1(b) = 0.4$ ,  $\alpha_2(a) = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_2(b) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_3(a) = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_3(b) = 0.5$ . Clearly  $\alpha_3$  is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open but not fuzzy open.

**Theorem 3.6:** Let  $\{A\alpha\}$  be a collection of fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open sets in a fuzzy topological space X. Then  $\forall A\alpha$  is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open.

**Proof:** Since  $A\alpha$  is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open for each  $\alpha$ . Then  $A\alpha \leq Int^*(Cl(Int^*(A\alpha)))$ . This implies  $\forall A\alpha \leq \forall(Int^*(Cl(Int^*(A\alpha)))) \leq (Int^*(VCl(Int^*(A\alpha)))) \leq (Int^*(Cl(Int^*(A\alpha)))) \leq (Int^*(Cl(Int^*(A\alpha))))$ . Hence  $\forall A\alpha$  is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open.

**Remark 3.7:** The intersection of two fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open sets need not be fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open is shown in the following example.

**Example 3.8:** Let X = {a, b} and  $\tau = \{0, 1, \alpha_1\}$ . The fuzzy sets are defined as  $\alpha_1(a) = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_1(b) = 0.4$ ,  $\alpha_2(a) = 0.4$ ,  $\alpha_2(b) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_3(a) = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_3(b) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_4(a) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_4(b) = 0.4$ ,  $\alpha_5(a) = 0.4$ . Clearly  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$  are fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open sets but  $\alpha_1 \wedge \alpha_2 = \alpha_5$  is not fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open.

**Theorem 3.9:** Every fuzzy  $\alpha$ -open set is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open.

**Proof:** Let A be a fuzzy  $\alpha$ -open set. Then A  $\leq$  Int(Cl(Int(A)))  $\leq$  Int\*(Cl(Int\*(A))). Hence A is fuzzy  $\alpha$ \*-open.

**Remark 3.10:** The converse of the above theorem need not be true as seen from the following example.

**Example 3.11:** Let  $X = \{a, b\}$  and  $\tau = \{0, 1, \alpha_1\}$ . The fuzzy sets are defined as  $\alpha_1(a) = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_1(b) = 0.4$ ,  $\alpha_2(a) = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_2(b) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_3(a) = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_3(b) = 0.5$ . Clearly  $\alpha_3$  is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open but not fuzzy  $\alpha$ -open.

**Theorem 3.12:** Every fuzzy g-open set is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open.

**Proof:** Let A be a fuzzy g-open set. Then  $Int^*(A) = A$ . Therefore  $Int^*(A) \le Cl(Int^*(A))$ .

Then  $Int^{*}(Int^{*}(A)) \leq Int^{*}(Cl(Int^{*}(A))) \implies Int^{*}(A) \leq Int^{*}(Cl(Int^{*}(A))) \implies Int^{*}(A) = A \leq Int^{*}(Cl(Int^{*}(A)))$ . Hence A is fuzzy  $\alpha^{*}$ -open.

**Remark 3.13:** The converse of the above theorem need not be true as seen from the following example.

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**Example 3.14:** Let  $X = \{a, b\}$  and  $\tau = \{0, 1, \alpha_1\}$  The fuzzy sets are defined as  $\alpha_1(a) = 0.4$ ,  $\alpha_1(b) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_2(a) = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_2(b) = 0.6$  and  $\alpha_3(a) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_3(b) = 0.4$ . Clearly  $\alpha_2$  is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open but not fuzzy g-open.

**Theorem 3.15:** If a subset A is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open and B is fuzzy open, then AVB is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open.

**Proof:** Proof follows from theorem 3.3 and theorem 3.6.

**Theorem 3.16:** If a subset A is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open and B is fuzzy  $\alpha$ -open, then A V B is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open.

**Proof:** Proof follows from theorem 3.9 and theorem 3.6.

**Theorem 3.17:** If a subset A is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open and B is fuzzy g-open, then A  $\vee$  B is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open.

**Proof:** Proof follows from theorem 3.12 and theorem 3.6.

**Remark 3.18:** The concept of fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open sets and fuzzy semi-open sets are independent as shown in the following examples.

**Example 3.19:** Let  $X = \{a, b\}$  and  $\tau = \{0, 1, \alpha_2\}$ . The fuzzy sets are defined as  $\alpha_1(a) = 0.4$ ,  $\alpha_1(b) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_2(a) = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_2(b) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_3(a) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_3(b) = 0.4$ . Clearly  $\alpha_1$  is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open but not fuzzy semi-open.

**Example 3.20:** Let X = {a, b} and  $\tau$  = {0, 1,  $\alpha_1$ } The fuzzy sets are defined as  $\alpha_1(a) = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_1(b) = 0.4$ ,  $\alpha_2(a) = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_2(b) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_3(a) = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_3(b) = 0.5$ . Clearly  $\alpha_2$  is fuzzy semi open but not fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open.

**Remark 3.21:** The concept of fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open sets and fuzzy  $\alpha$ -generalized open sets are independent as shown in the following examples.

**Example 3.22:** Let  $X = \{a, b\}$  and  $\tau = \{0, 1, \alpha_2\}$ . The fuzzy sets are defined as  $\alpha_1(a) = 0.4$ ,  $\alpha_1(b) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_2(a) = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_2(b) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_3(a) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_3(b) = 0.4$ . Clearly  $\alpha_2$  is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open but not fuzzy  $\alpha$ -generalized open.

**Example 3.23:** Let  $X = \{a, b\}$  and  $\tau = \{0, 1, \alpha_2\}$ . The fuzzy sets are defined as  $\alpha_1(a) = 0.3$ ,  $\alpha_1(b) = 0.4$ ,  $\alpha_1(c) = 0.4$ ,  $\alpha_2(a) = 0.3$ ,  $\alpha_2(b) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_2(c) = 0.4$ ,  $\alpha_3(a) = 0.7$ ,  $\alpha_3(b) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_3(c) = 0.6$ . Clearly  $\alpha_3$  is fuzzy  $\alpha$ -generalized open but not fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open.

**Remark 3.24:** The concept of fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open sets and fuzzy generalized  $\alpha$ -open sets are independent as shown in the following examples.

**Example 3.25:** Let  $X = \{a, b\}$  and  $\tau = \{0, 1, \alpha_2\}$  The fuzzy sets are defined as  $\alpha_1(a) = 0.4$ ,  $\alpha_1(b) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_2(a) = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_2(b) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_3(a) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_3(b) = 0.4$ . Clearly  $\alpha_2$  is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open but not fuzzy generalized  $\alpha$ -open.

**Example 3.26:** Let  $X = \{a, b\}$  and  $\tau = \{0, 1, \alpha_2\}$  The fuzzy sets are defined as  $\alpha_1(a) = 0.3$ ,  $\alpha_1(b) = 0.4$ ,  $\alpha_1(c) = 0.4$ ,  $\alpha_2(a) = 0.3$ ,  $\alpha_2(b) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_2(c) = 0.4$ ,  $\alpha_3(a) = 0.7$ ,  $\alpha_3(b) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_3(c) = 0.6$ . Clearly  $\alpha_3$  is fuzzy generalized  $\alpha$ -open but not fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open.

Remark 3.27: From the above theorems and remarks, we have the following implication diagram.



 $\alpha$ -generalized open

**Definition 3.28:** Let A be a subset of a fuzzy topological space (X,  $\tau$ ), then **fuzzy**  $\alpha^*$ -interior of A is defined as the union of all fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open sets in X that are contained in A and is denoted by  $\alpha^*$ Int(A).

**Theorem 3.29:** If A is any subset of a fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau)$ ,  $\alpha$ \*Int(A) is fuzzy  $\alpha$ \*-open. Infact,  $\alpha$ \*Int(A) is the largest fuzzy  $\alpha$ \*-open set contained in A.

**Proof:** Proof follows from the definition 3.28 and theorem 3.3.

**Theorem 3.30:** Let A be a subset of a fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau)$ . Then A is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open if and only if  $\alpha^*$ Int(A) = A.

**Proof:** If A is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open then  $\alpha^*$ Int(A) = A. Conversely, let  $\alpha^*$ Int(A) = A, by theorem 3.29,  $\alpha^*$ Int(A) is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open. Hence A is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open.

**Theorem 3.31:** Let A and B are subsets of a fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , then the following conditions are hold:

- a)  $\alpha$ \*Int( $\phi$ ) =  $\phi$
- b)  $\alpha$ \*Int(X) = X
- c)  $\alpha * Int(A) \leq A$
- d) If  $A \leq B$ , then  $\alpha$ \*Int(A)  $\leq \alpha$ \*Int(B)
- e)  $A \leq Int(A) \leq \alpha Int(A) \leq \alpha^* Int(A)$
- f)  $\alpha$ \*Int(A)  $\lor \alpha$ \*Int(B)  $\le \alpha$ \*Int(A  $\lor B$ )
- g)  $\alpha$ \*Int(A)  $\land \alpha$ \*Int(B)  $\ge \alpha$ \*Int(A  $\land$  B)

**Proof:** a), b), c), d) follows from the definition 3.28 and e) follows from theorem 3.9. From d)  $\alpha$ \*Int(A)  $\leq \alpha$ \*Int(AVB) and  $\alpha$ \*Int(B)  $\leq \alpha$ \*Int(AVB).

 $\Rightarrow \alpha^*$ Int(A)  $\lor \alpha^*$ Int(B)  $\le \alpha^*$ Int(A  $\lor$  B). Hence f) follows.

Again from d)  $\alpha$ \*Int(A)  $\geq \alpha$ \*Int(A  $\wedge$  B) and  $\alpha$ \*Int(B)  $\geq \alpha$ \*Int(A  $\wedge$  B).

 $\Rightarrow \alpha^*Int(A) \land \alpha^*Int(B) \ge \alpha^*Int(A \land B)$ . Hence g) follows.

## 4. $\alpha$ \*-CLOSED SETS

**Definition 4.1:** A subset A of a fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called **fuzzy**  $\alpha^*$ -closed set if its complement is  $\alpha^*$ -open. The collection of all fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed sets in  $(X, \tau)$  is denoted by  $\alpha^*C(X, \tau)$ .

**Lemma 4.2:** If there exists an fuzzy g-closed set F such that  $Cl^*(Int(F)) \le A \le F$ , then A is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed.

**Proof:** Since F is fuzzy g-closed,  $Cl^*(F) = F$ . Therefore,  $Cl^*(Int(Cl^*(A))) \le Cl^*(Int(Cl^*(F))) = Cl^*(Int(F)) \le A$ . Hence A is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed.

**Theorem 4.3:** A subset A of a fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed if and only if  $Cl^*(Int(Cl^*(A))) \leq A$ .

**Proof:** Let A be a fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed set. Then 1–A is fuzzy  $\alpha_-$ -open. By definition 1 – A  $\leq$  Int\*(Cl(Int\*(1 – A))). That is 1 – A  $\leq$  1 – Cl\*(Int(Cl\*(A))). Hence Cl\*(Int(Cl\*(A)))  $\leq$  A. Conversely, suppose Cl\*(Int(Cl\*(A)))  $\leq$  A.

Then  $1 - A \le 1 - Cl^*(Int(Cl^*(A)))$ . That is  $1 - A \le Int^*(Cl(Int^*(1 - A)))$ . This shows that 1 - A is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open. Then A is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed.

**Theorem 4:4.** If  $\{A\alpha\}$  is a collection of fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed sets in fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , then  $\wedge A\alpha$  is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed.

**Proof:** Let  $A\alpha$  be a fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed in  $X \implies 1 - A\alpha$  is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open in  $X \implies$  By theorem 3.6,  $V(1 - A\alpha)$  is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open in  $X \implies 1 - A\alpha$  is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open in X. Hence  $AA\alpha$  is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed.

**Remark 4.5:** The union of fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed sets need not be  $\alpha^*$ -closed as seen from the following example.

**Example 4.6:** Let X = {a, b} and  $\tau = \{0, 1, \alpha_2, \alpha_5, \alpha_6\}$ . The fuzzy sets are defined as  $\alpha_1(a) = 0.3$ ,  $\alpha_1(b) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_2(a) = 0.4$ ,  $\alpha_2(b) = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_3(a) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_3(b) = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_4(a) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_4(b) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_5(a) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_5(b) = 0.7$ ,  $\alpha_6(a) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_6(b) = 0.4$ .

Clearly  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_3$  are fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed sets but  $\alpha_1 \vee \alpha_3 = \alpha_4$  is not fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed.

**Theorem 4.7:** Every fuzzy closed set is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed

**Proof:** Let A be a fuzzy closed set in X. Then 1 - A is fuzzy open in X. By theorem 3.3, 1 - A is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -open

 $\Rightarrow$  A is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed.

**Remark 4.8:** The converse of the above theorem need not be true as seen from the following example.

**Example 4.9:** Let  $X = \{a, b\}$  and  $\tau = \{0, 1, \alpha_2\}$  The fuzzy sets are defined as  $\alpha_1(a) = 0.3$ ,  $\alpha_1(b) = 0.4$ ,  $\alpha_2(a) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_2(b) = 0.5$ . Clearly  $\alpha_1$  is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed but not fuzzy closed.

**Theorem 4.10:** If a subset A of a fuzzy topological space X is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed and B is fuzzy closed then A  $\wedge$  B is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed.

Proof: Proof follows from theorem 4.7 and theorem 4.4

**Theorem 4.11:** Every fuzzy  $\alpha$ -closed set is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed.

**Proof:** Let A be a fuzzy  $\alpha$ -closed. Then 1–A is fuzzy  $\alpha$ -open. By theorem 3.9, 1 – A is fuzzy  $\alpha$ \*-open. Hence A is fuzzy  $\alpha$ \*-closed.

**Remark 4.12:** The converse of the above theorem need not be true as seen from the following example.

**Example 4.13:** Let  $X = \{a, b\}$  and  $\tau = \{0, 1, \alpha_1\}$  The fuzzy sets are defined as  $\alpha_1(a) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_1(b) = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_2(a) = 0.7$ ,  $\alpha_2(b) = 0.8$ . Clearly  $\alpha_2$  is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed but not fuzzy  $\alpha$ -closed.

**Theorem 4.14:** Every fuzzy g-closed set is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed.

**Proof:** Let A be a fuzzy g-closed set. Then 1–A is fuzzy g-open set. By theorem 3.12, 1 – A is fuzzy α\*-open

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**Example 4.16:** Let X = {a, b} and  $\tau$  = {0, 1,  $\alpha_3$ } The fuzzy sets are defined as  $\alpha_1(a) = 0.4$ ,  $\alpha_1(b) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_2(a) = 0.6$ ,  $\alpha_2(b) = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_3(a) = 0.4$ ,  $\alpha_3(b) = 0.5$ . Clearly  $\alpha_3$  is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed but not fuzzy g-closed.

**Theorem 4.17:** If a subset A of a fuzzy topological space X is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed and B is fuzzy  $\alpha$ -closed, then A  $\wedge$  B is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed.

Proof: Proof follows from theorem 4.11 and theorem 4.4.

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**Theorem 4.30:** Let A be a subset of a fuzzy topological space (X,  $\tau$ ). Then A is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed if and only if  $\alpha^*Cl(A) = A$ .

**Proof:** Suppose A is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed. Then by definition 4.29,  $\alpha^*Cl(A) = A$ . Conversely, suppose  $\alpha^*Cl(A) = A$ . Then by theorem 4.4, A is fuzzy  $\alpha^*$ -closed.

**Theorem 4.31:** Let A and B are subsets of a fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , then the following conditions are hold:

- a)  $\alpha * Cl(\phi) = \phi$
- b)  $\alpha * Cl(X) = X$
- c)  $A \leq \alpha * Cl(A)$
- d) If  $A \le B$ , then  $\alpha * Cl(A) \le \alpha * Cl(B)$
- e)  $A \le \alpha * Cl(A) \le \alpha Cl(A) \le Cl(A)$
- f)  $\alpha * Cl(A) \lor \alpha * Cl(B) \le \alpha * Cl(A \lor B)$
- g)  $\alpha * Cl(A) \land \alpha * Cl(B) \ge \alpha * Cl(A \land B)$

**Proof:** a), b), c), d) follows from the definition 4.29 and e) follows from theorem 4.7.

From d)  $\alpha$ \*Cl(A)  $\leq \alpha$ \*Cl(A  $\lor$  B) and  $\alpha$ \*Cl(B)  $\leq \alpha$ \*Cl(A  $\lor$  B)

 $\Rightarrow \alpha^*Cl(A) \lor \alpha^*Cl(B) \le \alpha^*Cl(A \lor B)$ . Hence f) follows.

Again from d)  $\alpha$ \*Cl(A)  $\geq \alpha$ \*Cl(A  $\wedge$  B) and  $\alpha$ \*Cl(B)  $\geq \alpha$ \*Cl(A  $\wedge$  B)

 $\Rightarrow \alpha^*Cl(A) \land \alpha^*Cl(B) \ge \alpha^*Cl(A \land B)$ . Hence g) follows.

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