

General Type-2 Fuzzy Topological Spaces

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Abstract

In this paper, a presented definition of type-2 fuzzy sets and type-2 fuzzy set operation on it was given. The aim of this work was to introduce the concept of general topological spaces were extended in type-2 fuzzy sets with the structural properties such as open sets, closed sets, interior, closure and neighborhoods in topological spaces were extended to general type-2 fuzzy topological spaces and many related theorems are proved.

Keywords

Type-2 Fuzzy Set, Interval Type-2 Fuzzy Topological Space, General Type-2 Fuzzy Topological Spaces, Type-2 Fuzzy Open Sets, Type-2 Fuzzy Closed Sets, Type-2 Fuzzy Interior, Type-2 Fuzzy Closure, Neighborhood of a Type-2 Fuzzy Set

1. Introduction

The fuzzy set theory proposed by Zadeh [1] extended the classical notion of sets and permitted the gradual assessment of membership of elements in a set [2]. After introducing the notion of fuzzy sets and fuzzy set operations, several attempts have been made to develop mathematical structures using fuzzy set theory. In 1968, Chang [3] introduced fuzzy topology which provides a natural framework for generalizing many of the concepts of general topology to fuzzy topological spaces and its development can be found in [3]. The concept of a type-2 fuzzy set as extension of the concept of an ordinary fuzzy set (henceforth called a type-1 fuzzy set) in which the membership function falls into a fuzzy set in the interval $[0,1]$, [2] [4]. Many scholars have conducted research on type-2 fuzzy set and their properties, including Mizumoto and Tanaka [5], Mendel [6], Karnik and Mendel [4] and Mendel and John [7]. Type-2 fuzzy sets are called “fuzzy”, so, it could be called fuzzy set [6]. In [6] Mendel was introduced the concept of an interval type-2 fuzzy set. Type-2 fuzzy sets have also been widely

applied to many fields with two parts general type-2 fuzzy set and interval type-2 fuzzy sets. The interval type-2 fuzzy topological space introduced by [2]. Because the interval type-2 fuzzy set, as a special case of general type-2 fuzzy sets, and general type-2 fuzzy sets may be better than the interval type-2 fuzzy sets to deal with uncertainties and because general type-2 fuzzy sets can obtain more degrees of freedom [8], we introduce general type-2 fuzzy topological spaces. The paper is organized as follows. Section 2 is the preliminary section which recalls definitions and operations to gather with some properties type-2 fuzzy sets. In Section 3, we introduce the definition of general type-2 fuzzy topology and some of its structural properties such as type-2 fuzzy open sets, type-2 fuzzy closed sets, type-2 fuzzy interior, type-2 fuzzy closure and neighborhood of a type-2 fuzzy set are studied.

2. Preliminaries

In this section, we recall the preliminaries of type-2 fuzzy sets, define type-2 fuzzy and some important associated concepts from [7] [9] and throughout this paper, let X be a non empty set and I be closed unit interval, *i.e.*, $I = [0, 1]$.

Definition 1 [7] [9]. Let X be a finite and non empty set, which is referred to as the universe a type-2 fuzzy set, denoted by \tilde{A} is characterized by a type-2 membership function $\mu_{\tilde{A}}(x, u)$, as

$$\mu_{\tilde{A}} : X \times [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]^{J_x} (J_x \subseteq [0, 1]), \text{ where } x \in X \text{ and } u \in J_x, \text{ that is}$$

$$\tilde{A} = \left\{ (x, u), \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x, u) : \text{where } x \in X \text{ and } u \in J_x \subseteq [0, 1], \text{ where } 0 \leq \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x, u) \leq 1 \right\} \quad (1)$$

\tilde{A} can also be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{A} &= \sum_{x \in X} \sum_{u \in J_x} \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x, u) / (x, u) \\ &= \sum_{x \in X} \sum_{u \in J_x} f_x(u) / u / x, J_x \subseteq [0, 1] \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

where $f_x(u) = \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x, u)$ and $\sum \sum$ denotes union over all admissible x and u for continuous universes of discourse, \sum is replaced by \int . The class of all type-2 fuzzy sets of the universe X denoted by $\tilde{\mathbb{F}}_{T_2}(X)$.

Definition 2 [2] [7]. A vertical slice, denoted $\mu_{\tilde{A}}(x')$, of \tilde{A} , is the intersection between the two-dimensional plane whose axes are u and $\mu_{\tilde{A}}(x', u)$ and the three-dimensional type-2 membership function \tilde{A} , *i.e.*,

$$\mu_{\tilde{A}}(x') = \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x = x', u) = \sum_{u \in J_{x'}} f_x(u) / u, J_{x'} \subseteq I \text{ in which } 0 \leq f_x(u) \leq 1. \tilde{A}$$

can also be expressed as follows: $\tilde{A} = \left\{ (x, \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x)) : \forall x \in X \right\}$ or as following

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{A} &= \sum_{x \in X} \sum_{u \in J_x} \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x) / (x) \\ &= \sum_{x \in X} \sum_{u \in J_x} f_x(u) / u / x, J_x \subseteq [0, 1] \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

The vertical slice, $\mu_{\tilde{A}}(x')$ is also called the secondary membership function, and its domain is called the primary membership of x , which is denoted by J_x where $J_x \subseteq I$ for any $x \in X$. The amplitude of a secondary membership

function is called the secondary grade.

When configuring any type-2 fuzzy topological structures we must present some special types of type-2 fuzzy sets.

Definition 3 [5] [8]. (*Type-2 fuzzy universe set*).

A type-2 fuzzy universe set, denoted \tilde{X} , such that

$$\tilde{X} = \sum_{x \in X} \sum_{u \in [1,1]} 1/u/x \tag{4}$$

Definition 4 [5] [8]. (*Type-2 fuzzy empty set*)

A type-2 fuzzy empty set, denoted $\tilde{\emptyset}$, such that

$$\tilde{\emptyset} = \sum_{x \in X} \sum_{u \in [0,0]} 1/u/x \tag{5}$$

Definition 5 [6]. (*Interval type-2 fuzzy set*).

When all the secondary grades of types \tilde{A} are equal to 1, that is $\mu_{\tilde{A}}(x, u) = 1$ for all $x \in X$ and for all $u \in J_x \subseteq [0,1]$, \tilde{A} is as an Interval type-2 fuzzy set.

Operation of Types-2 fuzzy sets 6. Consider two type-2 fuzzy sets, \tilde{A} and \tilde{B} , in a universe X . Let $\mu_{\tilde{A}}(x)$ and $\mu_{\tilde{B}}(x)$ be the membership grades of these two sets, which are represented for each $x \in X$, $\mu_{\tilde{A}}(x) = \sum_{u \in J_x^u} f_x(u)/u$ and $\mu_{\tilde{B}}(x) = \sum_{w \in J_x^w} g_x(w)/w$, respective, where $u \in J_x^u$, $w \in J_x^w$ indicate the primary memberships of x and $f_x(u), g_x(w) \in [0,1]$ indicate the secondary memberships (grades) of x . The membership grades for the union, intersection and complement of the type-2 fuzzy sets \tilde{A} and \tilde{B} have been defined as follows [5].

Containment:

\tilde{A} is a subtype-2 fuzzy set of \tilde{B} denoted $\tilde{A} \subseteq \tilde{B}$ if $u \leq w$ and $f_x(u) \leq g_x(w)$ for every $x \in X$.

Equality:

\tilde{A} and \tilde{B} are type-2 fuzzy sets are equal, denoted $\tilde{A} = \tilde{B}$ if $u = w$ and $f_x(u) = \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x, u) = g_x(w) = \mu_{\tilde{B}}(x, w)$ for every $x \in X$.

Union of two type-2 fuzzy sets:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{A} \cup \tilde{B} &\Leftrightarrow \mu_{\tilde{A} \cup \tilde{B}}(x) = \sum_{u \in J_x^u} \sum_{w \in J_x^w} f_x(u) \star g_x(w) / (u \vee w) \\ &\equiv \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x) \sqcup \mu_{\tilde{B}}(x), \quad x \in X \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

Intersection of two type-2 fuzzy sets:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B} &\Leftrightarrow \mu_{\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B}}(x) = \sum_{u \in J_x^u} \sum_{w \in J_x^w} f_x(u) \star g_x(w) / (u \vee w) \\ &\equiv \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x) \sqcap \mu_{\tilde{B}}(x), \quad x \in X \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

Complement of a type-2 fuzzy set:

$$\sim \tilde{A} = \mu_{\sim \tilde{A}}(x) = \sum_{u \in J_x^u} f_x(u) / (1-u) \equiv \neg \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x), \quad x \in X \tag{8}$$

Where \vee represent the max t-conorm and \star represent a t-norm. The summation indicate logical unions. We refer to the operations \sqcup, \sqcap and \neg as join, meet and negation respectively and $\mu_{\tilde{A} \cup \tilde{B}}(x)$, $\mu_{\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B}}(x)$, $\mu_{\tilde{A}}(x)$ and $\mu_{\tilde{B}}(x)$ are the secondary membership functions and all are type-1 fuzzy sets. If

$\mu_{\tilde{A}}(x)$ and $\mu_{\tilde{B}}(x)$ have continuous domains, then the summations in 3, 4 and 5 are replaced by integrals.

Example 7: Let $X = \{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$ be a non empty set, and let \tilde{A} and \tilde{B} are type-2 fuzzy sets over the same universe X .

$$\tilde{A} = \{((x_1, 0.1), 0.3), ((x_1, 0.5), 1), ((x_2, 0.5), 1), ((x_2, 0.6), 0.3), ((x_3, 0.8), 1)\}$$

$$\tilde{B} = \{((x_1, 0.1), 0.7), ((x_1, 0.2), 1), ((x_2, 0.6), 1), ((x_3, 0.5), 0.6), ((x_3, 0.9), 1)\}$$

$\tilde{A} \cup \tilde{B}$ for $x = x_1$ to get

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{\tilde{A} \cup \tilde{B}}(x_1) &= \frac{0.3 \wedge 0.7}{0.1 \vee 0.1} + \frac{0.3 \wedge 1}{0.1 \vee 0.2} + \frac{1 \wedge 0.7}{0.5 \vee 0.1} + \frac{1 \wedge 1}{0.5 \vee 0.2} \\ &= \frac{0.3}{0.1} + \frac{0.3}{0.2} + \frac{0.7}{0.5} + \frac{1}{0.5} = \{(0.1, 0.3), (0.2, 0.3), (0.5, \max\{0.7, 1\})\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{A} \cup \tilde{B} \text{ for } x = x_1, \{((x_1, 0.1), 0.3), ((x_1, 0.2), 0.3), ((x_1, 0.5), 1)\}$$

$\tilde{A} \cup \tilde{B}$ for $x = x_2$ to get

$$\mu_{\tilde{A} \cup \tilde{B}}(x_2) = \frac{1 \wedge 1}{0.5 \vee 0.6} + \frac{0.3 \wedge 1}{0.6 \vee 0.6} = \frac{1}{0.6} + \frac{0.3}{0.6} \Rightarrow \{(0.6, \max\{1, 0.3\})\}$$

$$\tilde{A} \cup \tilde{B} \text{ for } x = x_2 \Rightarrow \{((x_2, 0.6), 1)\}$$

$\tilde{A} \cup \tilde{B}$ for $x = x_3$ to get

$$\mu_{\tilde{A} \cup \tilde{B}}(x_3) = \frac{1 \wedge 0.6}{0.8 \vee 0.5} + \frac{1 \wedge 1}{0.8 \vee 0.9} = \frac{0.6}{0.8} + \frac{1}{0.9} = \{(0.8, 0.6), (0.9, 1)\}$$

$$\tilde{A} \cup \tilde{B} \text{ for } x = x_3, \{((x_3, 0.8), 0.6), ((x_3, 0.9), 1)\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{A} \cup \tilde{B} &= \{((x_1, 0.1), 0.3), ((x_1, 0.2), 0.3), ((x_1, 0.5), 1), ((x_2, 0.6), 1), \\ &\quad ((x_3, 0.8), 0.6), ((x_3, 0.9), 1)\} \end{aligned}$$

$\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B}$ for $x = x_1$ to get

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B}}(x_1) &= \frac{0.3 \wedge 0.7}{0.1 \wedge 0.1} + \frac{0.3 \wedge 1}{0.1 \wedge 0.2} + \frac{1 \wedge 0.7}{0.5 \wedge 0.1} + \frac{1 \wedge 1}{0.5 \wedge 0.2} \\ &= \frac{0.3}{0.1} + \frac{0.3}{0.1} + \frac{0.7}{0.1} + \frac{1}{0.2} = \{(0.1, \max\{0.3, 0.3, 0.7\}), (0.2, 1)\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B} \text{ for } x = x_1, \{((x_1, 0.1), 0.7), ((x_1, 0.2), 1)\}$$

$\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B}$ for $x = x_2$ to get

$$\mu_{\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B}}(x_2) = \frac{1 \wedge 1}{0.5 \wedge 0.6} + \frac{0.3 \wedge 1}{0.6 \wedge 0.6} = \frac{1}{0.5} + \frac{0.3}{0.6} \Rightarrow \{(0.5, 1), (0.6, 0.3)\}$$

$$\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B} \text{ for } x = x_2, \{((x_2, 0.5), 1), ((x_2, 0.6), 0.3)\}$$

$\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B}$ for $x = x_3$ to get

$$\mu_{\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B}}(x_3) = \frac{1 \wedge 0.6}{0.8 \wedge 0.5} + \frac{1 \wedge 1}{0.8 \wedge 0.9} = \frac{0.6}{0.5} + \frac{1}{0.8} \Rightarrow \{(0.5, 0.6), (0.8, 1)\}$$

$$\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B} \text{ for } x = x_3, \{((x_3, 0.5), 0.6), ((x_3, 0.8), 1)\}$$

$$\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B} = \{((x_1, 0.1), 0.7), ((x_1, 0.2), 1), ((x_2, 0.5), 1), ((x_2, 0.6), 0.3), ((x_3, 0.5), 0.6), ((x_3, 0.8), 1)\}$$

The complement of a type-2 fuzzy set \tilde{A} is

$$\begin{aligned} \sim \tilde{A} &= \mu_{\sim \tilde{A}}(x) = \sum_{u \in J_x^u} f_x(u) / (1-u) \\ &\equiv \neg \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x), \quad x \in X \\ &= \{((x_1, 0.9), 0.3), ((x_1, 0.5), 1), ((x_2, 0.5), 1), ((x_2, 0.4), 0.3), ((x_3, 0.2), 1)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Operations under collection of type-2 fuzzy sets 8: Let $\{\tilde{A}_i : i \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be an arbitrary collection of type-2 fuzzy sets subset of X such that \mathbb{N} is countable set, operation are possible under an arbitrary collection of type-2 fuzzy sets.

1) The union $\cup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \tilde{A}_i$ is defined as

$$\left[\cup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \tilde{A}_i \right](x) = \sum_{x \in X} \sum_{u \in J_x^u} \frac{\bigwedge_{i \in \mathbb{N}} (f_x(u))_i}{\bigvee_{i \in \mathbb{N}} (u)_i} \tag{9}$$

2) The intersection $\cap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \tilde{A}_i$ is defined as

$$\left[\cap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \tilde{A}_i \right](x) = \sum_{x \in X} \sum_{u \in J_x^u} \frac{\bigwedge_{i \in \mathbb{N}} (f_x(u))_i}{\bigwedge_{i \in \mathbb{N}} (u)_i} \tag{10}$$

Proposition 9: Let $\{\tilde{A}_i : i \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be an arbitrary collection of type-2 fuzzy sets subset of X such that \mathbb{N} is countable set and \tilde{B} be another type-2 fuzzy set of X , then

- 1) $\tilde{B} \cap \left[\cup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \tilde{A}_i \right] = \cup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} (\tilde{B} \cap \tilde{A}_i)$.
- 2) $\tilde{B} \cup \left[\cap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \tilde{A}_i \right] = \cap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} (\tilde{B} \cup \tilde{A}_i)$.
- 3) $1 - \left[\cup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \tilde{A}_i \right] = \cap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} (1 - \tilde{A}_i)$.
- 4) $1 - \left[\cap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \tilde{A}_i \right] = \cup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} (1 - \tilde{A}_i)$.

3. General Type-2 Fuzzy Topological Space

In this section we introduced the concept general type-2 fuzzy topology.

Definition 1: Let $\tilde{\mathfrak{F}}$ be the collection of type-2 fuzzy set over X ; then $\tilde{\mathfrak{F}}$ is said to be general type-2 fuzzy topology on X if

- 1) $\emptyset, X \in \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}$
- 2) $\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B} \in \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}$ for any $\tilde{A}, \tilde{B} \in \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}$.
- 3) $\cup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \tilde{A}_i \in \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}$ for any $\tilde{A}_i \in \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}$, \mathbb{N} countable set.

The pair $(X, \tilde{\mathfrak{F}})$ is called general type-2 fuzzy topological space over X .

Remark 2: Let $(X, \tilde{\mathfrak{F}})$ be general type-2 fuzzy topological space over X ; then the members of $\tilde{\mathfrak{F}}$ are said to be type-2 fuzzy open set in X and a type-2 fuzzy

set \tilde{A} is said to be a type-2 fuzzy closed set in X , if its complement $\sim \tilde{A} \in \tilde{\mathcal{F}}$.

Proposition 3: Let $(X, \tilde{\mathcal{F}})$ be general type-2 fuzzy topological space over X then the following conditions hold:

- 1) $\tilde{\emptyset}, \tilde{X}$ are type-2 fuzzy closed sets.
- 2) Arbitrary intersection of type-2 fuzzy closed sets is closed sets.
- 3) Finite union of type-2 fuzzy closed sets is closed sets.

Proof:

1) $\tilde{\emptyset}, \tilde{X}$ are type-2 fuzzy closed sets because they are the complements of the type-2 fuzzy open sets $\tilde{\emptyset}, \tilde{X}$ is respectively.

2) Let $\{\tilde{A}_i : i \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be an arbitrary collection of type-2 fuzzy closed sets, then

$$\begin{aligned} \left[\bigcap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \tilde{A}_i \right](x) &= \sum_{x \in X} \sum_{u \in J_x^u} \frac{\bigwedge_{i \in \mathbb{N}} (f_x(u))_i}{\bigwedge_{i \in \mathbb{N}} (u)_i} \\ &= \sum_{x \in X} \sum_{u \in J_x^u} \frac{\bigwedge_{i \in \mathbb{N}} (f_x(u))_i}{1 - (\bigvee_{i \in \mathbb{N}} (1-u))_i} \text{ (proposition 2.7 part 3)} \\ &= \left[\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \sim \tilde{A}_i \right](x) \end{aligned}$$

since arbitrary union of type-2 fuzzy open sets are open $\left[\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \sim \tilde{A}_i \right](x)$ is an

open and $\left[\bigcap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \tilde{A}_i \right](x)$ is a type-2 fuzzy closed sets.

3) If $\tilde{A}_i (i \in \mathbb{N})$ is type-2 fuzzy closed sets, then $\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \tilde{A}_i$ is a type-2 fuzzy closed set, [finite intersection of type-2 fuzzy open sets are open].

Example 4: Let $X = \{x_1, x_2\}$ and let $\tilde{A}, \tilde{\emptyset}$ and \tilde{X} be three type-2 fuzzy sets in X which are

$$\tilde{\emptyset} = \{(x_1, 0), 1\}, \{(x_2, 0), 1\}, \quad \tilde{X} = \{(x_1, 1), 1\}, \{(x_2, 1), 1\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{A} = \{ & \{(x_1, 0.8), 1\}, \{(x_1, 0.6), 0.7\}, \{(x_1, 0.3), 0.6\}, \\ & \{(x_2, 0.8), 0.9\}, \{(x_2, 0.5), 1\}, \{(x_2, 0.4), 0.5\} \}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{\emptyset} \cup \tilde{X} \text{ for } x_1 : \mu_{\tilde{\emptyset} \cup \tilde{X}}(x_1) = \frac{1 \wedge 1}{0 \vee 1} \Rightarrow = (1, 1) \Rightarrow = \{(x_1, 1), 1\}.$$

$$\tilde{\emptyset} \cup \tilde{X} \text{ for } x_2 : \mu_{\tilde{\emptyset} \cup \tilde{X}}(x_2) = \frac{1 \wedge 1}{0 \vee 1} \Rightarrow = (1, 1) \Rightarrow = \{(x_2, 1), 1\}.$$

$$\tilde{\emptyset} \cup \tilde{X} = \{(x_1, 1), 1\}, \{(x_2, 1), 1\} = \tilde{X}$$

$$\tilde{\emptyset} \cap \tilde{X} \text{ for } x_1 : \mu_{\tilde{\emptyset} \cap \tilde{X}}(x_1) = \frac{1 \wedge 1}{0 \wedge 1} \Rightarrow = (0, 1) \Rightarrow = \{(x_1, 0), 1\}.$$

$$\tilde{\emptyset} \cap \tilde{X} \text{ for } x_2 : \mu_{\tilde{\emptyset} \cap \tilde{X}}(x_2) = \frac{1 \wedge 1}{0 \wedge 1} \Rightarrow = (0, 1) \Rightarrow = \{(x_2, 0), 1\}.$$

$$\tilde{\emptyset} \cap \tilde{X} = \{(x_1, 0), 1\}, \{(x_2, 0), 1\} = \tilde{\emptyset}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\emptyset} \cup \tilde{A} \text{ for } x_1 : \mu_{\tilde{\emptyset} \cup \tilde{A}}(x_1) &= \frac{1 \wedge 1}{0 \vee 0.8} + \frac{1 \wedge 0.7}{0 \vee 0.6} + \frac{1 \wedge 0.6}{0 \vee 0.3} \\ &= \{(x_1, 0.8), 1\}, \{(x_1, 0.6), 0.7\}, \{(x_1, 0.3), 0.6\} \} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathcal{O}} \cup \tilde{A} \text{ for } x_2 : \mu_{\tilde{\mathcal{O}} \cup \tilde{A}}(x_2) &= \frac{1 \wedge 0.9}{0 \vee 0.8} + \frac{1 \wedge 1}{0 \vee 0.5} + \frac{1 \wedge 0.5}{0 \vee 0.4} \\ &= \{((x_2, 0.8), 0.9), ((x_2, 0.5), 1), ((x_2, 0.4), 0.5)\} \\ \tilde{\mathcal{O}} \cup \tilde{A} &= \{((x_1, 0.8), 1), ((x_1, 0.6), 0.7), ((x_1, 0.3), 0.6), \\ &\quad ((x_2, 0.8), 0.9), ((x_2, 0.5), 1), ((x_2, 0.4), 0.5)\} = \tilde{A} \\ \tilde{\mathcal{O}} \cap \tilde{A} \text{ for } x_1 : \mu_{\tilde{\mathcal{O}} \cap \tilde{A}}(x_1) &= \frac{1 \wedge 1}{0 \wedge 0.8} + \frac{1 \wedge 0.7}{0 \wedge 0.6} + \frac{1 \wedge 0.6}{0 \wedge 0.3} = \frac{1}{0} + \frac{0.7}{0} + \frac{0.6}{0} \\ &= (0, \max\{1, 0.7, 0.6\}) \Rightarrow \{(x_1, 0), 1\}, \\ \tilde{\mathcal{O}} \cap \tilde{A} \text{ for } x_2 : \mu_{\tilde{\mathcal{O}} \cap \tilde{A}}(x_2) &= \frac{1 \wedge 0.9}{0 \wedge 0.8} + \frac{1 \wedge 1}{0 \wedge 0.5} + \frac{1 \wedge 0.5}{0 \wedge 0.4} = \frac{0.9}{0} + \frac{1}{0} + \frac{0.5}{0} \\ &= (0, \max\{0.9, 1, 0.5\}) \Rightarrow \{(x_2, 0), 1\}, \\ \tilde{\mathcal{O}} \cap \tilde{A} &= \{(x_1, 0), 1\}, \{(x_2, 0), 1\} = \tilde{\mathcal{O}} \\ \tilde{A} \cup \tilde{X} \text{ for } x_1 : \mu_{\tilde{A} \cup \tilde{X}}(x_1) &= \frac{1 \wedge 1}{1 \vee 0.8} + \frac{1 \wedge 0.7}{1 \vee 0.6} + \frac{1 \wedge 0.6}{1 \vee 0.3} = \frac{1}{1} + \frac{0.7}{1} + \frac{0.6}{1} \\ &= (1, \max\{1, 0.7, 0.6\}) \Rightarrow \{(x_1, 1), 1\}, \\ \tilde{A} \cup \tilde{X} \text{ for } x_2 : \mu_{\tilde{A} \cup \tilde{X}}(x_2) &= \frac{1 \wedge 0.9}{1 \vee 0.8} + \frac{1 \wedge 1}{1 \vee 0.5} + \frac{1 \wedge 0.5}{1 \vee 0.4} = \frac{0.9}{1} + \frac{1}{1} + \frac{0.5}{1} \\ &= (1, \max\{1, 0.9, 0.5\}) \Rightarrow \{(x_2, 1), 1\} \\ \tilde{A} \cup \tilde{X} &= \tilde{X} \\ \tilde{A} \cap \tilde{X} \text{ for } x_1 : \mu_{\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{X}}(x_1) &= \frac{1 \wedge 1}{1 \wedge 0.8} + \frac{1 \wedge 0.7}{1 \wedge 0.6} + \frac{1 \wedge 0.6}{1 \wedge 0.3} = \frac{1}{0.8} + \frac{0.7}{0.6} + \frac{0.6}{0.3} \\ &= \{((x_1, 0.8), 1), ((x_1, 0.6), 0.7), ((x_1, 0.3), 0.6)\} \\ \tilde{A} \cap \tilde{X} &= \{((x_1, 0.8), 1), ((x_1, 0.6), 0.7), ((x_1, 0.3), 0.6), \\ &\quad ((x_2, 0.8), 0.9), ((x_2, 0.5), 1), ((x_2, 0.4), 0.5)\} = \tilde{A} \end{aligned}$$

Then $\tilde{\mathfrak{F}} = \{\tilde{X}, \tilde{\mathcal{O}}, \tilde{A}\}$ is general type-2 fuzzy topologies defined on X and the pair $(X, \tilde{\mathfrak{F}})$ is called general type-2 fuzzy topological space over X , every member of $\tilde{\mathfrak{F}}$ is called type-2 fuzzy open sets.

Theorem 5: Let $\{\tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_r : r \in \mathbb{R}\}$ be a family of all general type-2 fuzzy topologies on X ; then $\bigcap_{r \in \mathbb{R}} \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_r$ is general type-2 fuzzy topologies on X .

proof: we must prove three conditions of topologies,

1) $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}, \tilde{X} \in \{\tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_r : r \in \mathbb{R}\} \Rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{O}}, \tilde{X} \in \bigcap_{r \in \mathbb{R}} \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_r$.

2) Let $\{\tilde{A}_i : i \in \mathbb{N}\} \subseteq \bigcap_{r \in \mathbb{R}} \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_r$, then $\tilde{A}_i \in \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_r$ for all $i \in \mathbb{N}$ so

thus $\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \tilde{A}_i \in \bigcap_{r \in \mathbb{R}} \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_r$.

3) Let $\tilde{A}, \tilde{B} \in \bigcap_{r \in \mathbb{R}} \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_r$, then $\tilde{A}, \tilde{B} \in \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_r$ and because $\tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_r$ are all general type-2

fuzzy topologies $\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B} \in \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_r$, for all $r \in \mathbb{R}$, so $\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B} \in \bigcap_{r \in \mathbb{R}} \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_r$.

Remark 6: Let $(X, \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_1)$ and $(X, \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_2)$ be two general type-2 fuzzy topological spaces over the same universe X then $(X, \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_1 \cup \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_2)$ need not be general type-2 fuzzy topological space over X , we can see that in example 3.7.

Example 7: Let $X = \{x_1, x_2\}$ and $\tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_1 = \{\tilde{X}, \tilde{\emptyset}, \tilde{A}\}$, $\tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_2 = \{\tilde{X}, \tilde{\emptyset}, \tilde{B}\}$ be two general type-2 fuzzy topologies defined on X where $\tilde{A}, \tilde{B}, \tilde{\emptyset}$ and \tilde{X} defined as follows: $\tilde{\emptyset} = \{((x_1, 0), 1), ((x_2, 0), 1)\}$,

$$\tilde{X} = \{((x_1, 1), 1), ((x_2, 1), 1)\}$$

$$\tilde{A} = \{((x_1, 0.8), 1), ((x_1, 0.6), 0.7), ((x_1, 0.3), 0.6), ((x_2, 0.8), 0.9), ((x_2, 0.5), 1), ((x_2, 0.4), 0.5)\}.$$

$$\tilde{B} = \{((x_1, 0.5), 1), ((x_1, 0.6), 0.2), ((x_2, 0.3), 0.7), ((x_2, 0.9), 1)\}.$$

Let $\tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_1 \cup \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_2 = \{\tilde{\emptyset}, \tilde{X}, \tilde{A}, \tilde{B}\}$ so $(X, \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_1 \cup \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_2)$ is not general type-2 fuzzy topological space over X since $\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B} \notin \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_1 \cup \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_2$.

Definition 8: Let $(X, \tilde{\mathfrak{F}})$ be general type-2 fuzzy topological space over X and let \tilde{A} be type-2 fuzzy set over X . Then the type-2 fuzzy interior of \tilde{A} , denoted by $\text{int}(\tilde{A})$, is defined as the union of all type-2 fuzzy open sets contained in \tilde{A} . That is,

$\text{int}(\tilde{A}) = \bigcup \{ \tilde{G}_i : \tilde{G}_i \text{ type-2 fuzzy open sets in } X, \tilde{G}_i \subseteq \tilde{A}, i \in \mathbb{N} \}$, $\text{int}(\tilde{A})$ is the largest type-2 fuzzy open set contained in \tilde{A} .

Theorem 9: Let $(X, \tilde{\mathfrak{F}})$ be general type-2 fuzzy topological space over X , and let \tilde{A}, \tilde{B} be two type-2 fuzzy sets in X . Then

- 1) $\text{int}(\tilde{\emptyset}) = \tilde{\emptyset}$ and $\text{int}(\tilde{X}) = \tilde{X}$.
- 2) $\text{int}(\tilde{A}) \subseteq \tilde{A}$.
- 3) \tilde{A} is type-2 fuzzy open set if and only if $\text{int}(\tilde{A}) = \tilde{A}$.
- 4) $\text{int}(\text{int}(\tilde{A})) = \text{int}(\tilde{A})$.
- 5) $\tilde{A} \subseteq \tilde{B} \rightarrow \text{int}(\tilde{A}) \subseteq \text{int}(\tilde{B})$.
- 6) $\text{int}(\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B}) = \text{int}(\tilde{A}) \cap \text{int}(\tilde{B})$.

Proof:

1) $\text{int}(\tilde{A}) = \bigcup \{ \tilde{G}_i : \tilde{G}_i \text{ type-2 fuzzy open sets in } X, \tilde{G}_i \subseteq \tilde{A}, i \in \mathbb{N} \}$, $\tilde{\emptyset}$ is type-2 fuzzy open set in $\tilde{\mathfrak{F}}$ and $\tilde{\emptyset} \subseteq \tilde{\emptyset} \Rightarrow \text{int}(\tilde{\emptyset}) = \tilde{\emptyset}$.

Now to prove $\text{int}(\tilde{X}) = \tilde{X}$,
 $\text{int}(\tilde{X}) = \cup \{ \tilde{G}_i : \tilde{G}_i \text{ type-2 fuzzy open sets in } X, \tilde{G}_i \subseteq \tilde{X}, i \in \mathbb{N} \}$, \tilde{X} is type-2 fuzzy open set in $\tilde{\mathfrak{F}}$ and $\tilde{X} \subseteq \tilde{X} \Rightarrow \text{int}(\tilde{X}) = \tilde{X}$.

2) To prove $\text{int}(\tilde{A}) \subseteq \tilde{A}$, since

$\text{int}(\tilde{A}) = \cup \{ \tilde{G}_i : \tilde{G}_i \text{ type-2 fuzzy open sets in } X, \tilde{G}_i \subseteq \tilde{A}, i \in \mathbb{N} \}$, such that $\tilde{G}_i \subseteq \tilde{A}$ that is \tilde{A} is type-2 membership function $\mu_{\tilde{A}}(x, u)$ where $x \in X$ and $u \in J_x \subseteq [0, 1]$ less than a type-2 membership function $\mu_{\tilde{G}_i}(x, u)$ where $x \in X$ and $w \in J_x \subseteq [0, 1]$ such that $w \leq u$ and $\mu_{\tilde{G}_i}(x, u) \leq \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x, u)$, $\sup \{ \mu_{\tilde{G}_i}(x, u) \leq \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x, u), w \leq u \}$ hence $\cup \tilde{G}_i \subseteq \tilde{A} \Rightarrow \cup \tilde{G}_i \subseteq \text{int}(\tilde{A})$, therefore $\text{int}(\tilde{A}) \subseteq \tilde{A}$.

3) If \tilde{A} is type-2 fuzzy open set, then $\tilde{A} \subseteq \text{int}(\tilde{A})$, but $\text{int}(\tilde{A}) \subseteq \tilde{A}$ from part (2), hence $\text{int}(\tilde{A}) = \tilde{A}$.

4) $\text{int}(\tilde{A})$ is a type-2 fuzzy open set and from part (3) we have $\text{int}(\text{int}(\tilde{A})) = \text{int}(\tilde{A})$

5) If $\tilde{A} \subseteq \tilde{B}$ and from part(2) $\text{int}(\tilde{A}) \subseteq \tilde{A}$, $\text{int}(\tilde{B}) \subseteq \tilde{B}$, then $\text{int}(\tilde{A}) \subseteq \tilde{A} \subseteq \tilde{B}$. Therefore $\text{int}(\tilde{A}) \subseteq \tilde{B}$ and $\text{int}(\tilde{A})$ is a type-2 fuzzy open set contained in \tilde{B} , so $\text{int}(\tilde{A}) \subseteq \text{int}(\tilde{B})$.

6) Because $(\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B}) \subseteq \tilde{A}$ and $(\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B}) \subseteq \tilde{B}$, from part (5) $\text{int}(\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B}) \subseteq \text{int}(\tilde{A})$ and $\text{int}(\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B}) \subseteq \text{int}(\tilde{B})$, thus $\text{int}(\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B}) \subseteq \text{int}(\tilde{A}) \cap \text{int}(\tilde{B})$, since $\text{int}(\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B}) \subseteq \tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B}$, so $\text{int}(\text{int}(\tilde{A})) \cap \text{int}(\text{int}(\tilde{B})) \subseteq (\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B})$ from part(5) but $\text{int}(\tilde{A}) \cap \text{int}(\tilde{B})$ is a type-2 fuzzy open sets then $\text{int}(\text{int}(\tilde{A})) \cap \text{int}(\text{int}(\tilde{B})) \subseteq \text{int}(\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B})$ from part(3). Hence $\text{int}(\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B}) = \text{int}(\tilde{A}) \cap \text{int}(\tilde{B})$.

Definition 10: Let $(X, \tilde{\mathfrak{F}})$ be general type-2 fuzzy topological space over \tilde{X} and let \tilde{A} be type-2 fuzzy set over X . Then the type-2 fuzzy closure of \tilde{A} , denoted by $cl(\tilde{A})$, is defined as the intersection of all type-2 fuzzy closed sets containing \tilde{A} . That is

$$cl(\tilde{A}) = \cap \{ \tilde{M}_i : \tilde{M}_i \text{ type-2 fuzzy closed sets in } X, \tilde{A} \subseteq \tilde{M}_i, i \in \mathbb{N} \},$$

$cl(\tilde{A})$ is the smallest type-2 fuzzy closed set containing \tilde{A} .

Theorem 11: Let $(X, \tilde{\mathfrak{F}})$ be general type-2 fuzzy topological space over X and let \tilde{A}, \tilde{B} be two type-2 fuzzy sets in X . Then

- 1) $cl(\tilde{\emptyset}) = \tilde{\emptyset}$ and $cl(\tilde{X}) = \tilde{X}$.
- 2) $\tilde{A} \subseteq cl(\tilde{A})$.
- 3) \tilde{A} is type-2 fuzzy closed set if and only if $cl(\tilde{A}) = \tilde{A}$.
- 4) $cl(cl(\tilde{A})) = cl(\tilde{A})$.
- 5) $\tilde{A} \subseteq \tilde{B} \rightarrow cl(\tilde{A}) \subseteq cl(\tilde{B})$.
- 6) $cl(\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B}) = cl(\tilde{A}) \cap cl(\tilde{B})$.

Proof: The proof this theorem similar to the proof of theorem 3.7.

Definition 12: Let $(X, \tilde{\mathfrak{F}})$ be a general type-2 fuzzy topological space over X and $\tilde{N} \subseteq \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}$. Then is said to be a neighborhood or nbhd for short, of a type-2 fuzzy set \tilde{A} if there exist a type-2 fuzzy open set \tilde{W} such that $\tilde{A} \subseteq \tilde{W} \subseteq \tilde{N}$.

Proposition 13: A type-2 fuzzy set \tilde{A} is open if and only if for each type-2 fuzzy set \tilde{B} contained in \tilde{A} , \tilde{A} is a neighborhood of \tilde{B} .

Proof: If \tilde{A} is open and $\tilde{B} \subseteq \tilde{A}$ then \tilde{A} is a neighborhood of \tilde{B} . Conversely, since $\tilde{A} \subseteq \tilde{A}$, there exists a type-2 fuzzy open set \tilde{W} such that $\tilde{A} \subseteq \tilde{W} \subseteq \tilde{A}$. Hence $\tilde{A} = \tilde{W}$ and \tilde{A} is open.

Definition 14: Let $(X, \tilde{\mathfrak{F}})$ be a general type-2 fuzzy topological space over X and $\tilde{\mathfrak{B}}$ be a subfamily of $\tilde{\mathfrak{F}}$. If every member of $\tilde{\mathfrak{F}}$ can be written as the type-2 fuzzy union of some members of $\tilde{\mathfrak{B}}$, then $\tilde{\mathfrak{B}}$ is called a type-2 fuzzy base for the general type-2 fuzzy topology $\tilde{\mathfrak{F}}$. We can see that if $\tilde{\mathfrak{B}}$ be type-2 fuzzy base for $\tilde{\mathfrak{F}}$ then $\tilde{\mathfrak{F}}$ equals the collection of type-2 fuzzy unions of elements of $\tilde{\mathfrak{B}}$.

Definition 15: Let $(X, \tilde{\mathfrak{F}})$ and $(Y, \tilde{\mathfrak{G}})$ be two general type-2 fuzzy topological space. The general type-2 fuzzy topological space Y is called a subspace of the general type-2 fuzzy topological space X if $Y \subseteq X$ and the open subsets of Y are precisely of the form $\tilde{\mathfrak{Y}} = \{ \tilde{Y} = \tilde{Y} \cap \tilde{\mathcal{X}} : \tilde{\mathcal{X}} \in \tilde{\mathfrak{F}} \}$. Here we may say that each open subset $\tilde{\mathfrak{Y}}$ of Y is the restriction to $\tilde{\mathfrak{Y}}$ of an open subset $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$ of X . That is, $(Y, \tilde{\mathfrak{G}})$ is called a subspace of $(X, \tilde{\mathfrak{F}})$ if the type-2 fuzzy open sets of Y are the type-2 fuzzy intersection of open sets of X with $\tilde{\mathfrak{Y}}$.

4. Conclusion

The main purpose of this paper is to introduce a new concept in fuzzy set theory, namely that of general type-2 fuzzy topological space. On the other hand, type-2 fuzzy set is a kind of abstract theory of mathematics. First, we present definition

and properties of this set before introducing definition of general type-2 fuzzy topological space with the structural properties such as open sets, closed sets, interior, closure and neighborhoods in general type-2 fuzzy set topological spaces and some definitions of a type-2 fuzzy base and subspace of general type-2 fuzzy sets.

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