

# Fuzzy Maximal $\mu$ -open and Minimal $\mu$ -closed Sets via Generalized Fuzzy Topology

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## Abstract

In this study, we propose the notions of fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open and fuzzy minimal  $\mu$ -closed sets within the framework of generalized topological spaces. We further investigate their fundamental properties and examine their roles in the underlying structure.

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## 1. Introduction

Zadeh[4] was the pioneer of fuzzy set theory which established in 1965. In 1968, Chang[1] brought forth the idea of fuzzy topology. In the realm of classical topology, Csa'sza'r, established the framework of generalized topology[3]. Let  $1^X$  signifies power set of the non empty set  $X$ . A fuzzy subcollection  $\mu$  of  $1^X$  is defined as a generalized fuzzy topology [2] on  $X$  if  $0_X \in \mu$  and  $\bigvee \{\xi_k, k \in \Delta\}$  whenever  $k \in \Delta$  and  $(X, \mu)$  mean to generalized fuzzy topological space. A fuzzy set  $\xi \in \mu$  called as fuzzy  $\mu$ -open[2] of  $(X, \mu)$ . The complement of fuzzy  $\mu$ -open set is known as fuzzy  $\mu$ -closed of  $(X, \mu)$ . A fuzzy subset  $\xi$  of  $X$ , the intersection of all fuzzy  $\mu$ -closed sets containing  $\xi$  is the generalized fuzzy closure [4] of  $\xi$  and is denoted by  $c_\mu(\xi)$ . Also for a fuzzy subset  $\xi$  of  $X$ , the union of all fuzzy  $\mu$ -open sets contained in  $\xi$  is the generalized fuzzy interior [4] of  $\xi$  and is denoted by  $i_\mu(\xi)$ . For our better understanding, a fuzzy subset  $\xi$  of  $X$  is  $\mu$ -open (resp. fuzzy  $\mu$ -closed) iff

$\xi = i_\mu(\xi)$  (resp. fuzzy  $\xi = c_\mu(\xi)$ ). Also for a fuzzy subset  $\xi$  of  $X$ . we have

$c_\mu(\xi) = 1_X - i_\mu(\xi)$ . The aim of this paper is to define a novel class of fuzzy  $\mu$ -open sets, referred to as fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open sets, along with the notion of fuzzy minimal  $\mu$ -closed sets, and to investigate their basic structural properties.

Throughout the paper  $X$  stands for generalized fuzzy topological space  $(X, \mu)$  or GFTS.

## 2. Fuzzy Maximal $\mu$ -open and Fuzzy Minimal $\mu$ -closed Sets

**Definition 2.1.** A proper nonempty fuzzy  $\mu$ -open set  $\xi$  of a GFTS  $(X, \mu)$  is called a fuzzy

maximal  $\mu$ -open set if there is no fuzzy  $\mu$ -open set strictly between  $\xi$  and  $X$ .

**Definition 2.2.** A proper nonempty fuzzy  $\mu$ -closed set  $\gamma$  of a GFTS  $(X, \mu)$  is called a fuzzy minimal  $\mu$ -closed set if there is no fuzzy  $\mu$ -closed set strictly between  $0$  and  $\gamma$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $\xi$  be a proper nonempty fuzzy set of a GFTS  $(X, \mu)$ . Then  $\xi$  is fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open if and only if  $X \setminus \xi$  is fuzzy minimal  $\mu$ -closed.

**Proof.** Assume that  $\xi$  be fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set and  $\gamma$  be a fuzzy  $\mu$ -closed set such that  $\gamma \subseteq X \setminus \xi$ . Hence  $\xi \subseteq X \setminus \gamma \in \mu$ . Since  $\xi$  is fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open, then  $X \setminus \gamma = X$ , then is either  $\xi$  or  $X$ .  $X \setminus \gamma = \xi$ , then  $\gamma = X \setminus \xi$  and if  $X \setminus \gamma = X$  then  $\gamma = \emptyset$ . Thus in any case  $X \setminus \xi$  becomes fuzzy minimal  $\mu$ -closed set.

Conversely let  $\zeta$  be a fuzzy minimal  $\mu$ -closed set and  $\rho$  be a fuzzy  $\mu$ -open set containing  $X \setminus \zeta$ . So  $X \setminus \rho \subseteq \zeta$ . Now  $\zeta$  being fuzzy minimal  $\mu$ -closed,  $X \setminus \rho$  is either  $0$  or  $\zeta$ . If  $X \setminus \rho = 0$ , then  $\rho = X$  and if  $X \setminus \rho = \zeta$ , then  $\rho = X \setminus \zeta$ . Hence in either case,  $X \setminus \zeta$  becomes a fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set.

**Example 2.2.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ . Then fuzzy sets  $\gamma_1 = \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{0}{c}$ ;  $\gamma_2 = \frac{0}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c}$  and  $\gamma_3 = \frac{0}{a} + \frac{0}{b} + \frac{1}{c}$  are defined as follows: Consider the fuzzy generalized topology  $\mu = \{0_X, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3, 1_X\}$ . Hence  $\gamma_3$  is not fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set but it is a fuzzy  $\mu$ -open set.

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $\xi$  be a fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set and  $\zeta$  be a fuzzy  $\mu$ -open sets and let  $\gamma$  and  $\lambda$  be two fuzzy minimal  $\mu$ -closed sets in  $X$ . The subsequent assertions are equivalent:

- (i) Then  $\xi \cup \zeta = X$  or  $\zeta \subseteq \xi$ .
- (ii) Either  $\xi \cup \zeta = X$  or  $\xi = \zeta$ .
- (iii) Then  $\gamma \cap \lambda = 0$  or  $\gamma \subseteq \lambda$  for any fuzzy  $\mu$ -closed set  $\lambda$ .
- (iv) Either  $\gamma \cap \lambda = 0$  or  $\gamma = \lambda$ .

**Proof:** (i) In either case  $\xi \cup \zeta = X$  or  $\xi \cup \zeta \neq X$ . If  $\xi \cup \zeta \neq X$ , then  $\xi \cup \zeta$  is a fuzzy  $\mu$ -open set such that  $\xi \subseteq \xi \cup \zeta$  which gives  $\xi \cup \zeta = \xi$  (since  $\xi \cup \zeta \neq X$ ). Hence  $\zeta \subseteq \xi$ .

(ii) Case is over if  $\xi \cup \zeta = X$ . If  $\xi \cup \zeta \neq X$ , then  $\xi \cup \zeta$  is a fuzzy  $\mu$ -open set such that  $\xi, \zeta \subseteq \xi \cup \zeta$  implies  $\xi \cup \zeta = \xi$  and  $\xi \cup \zeta = \zeta$ . Hence  $\xi = \zeta$ .

(iii) Analogous to (i).

(iv) Analogous to (ii).

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $\xi$  be a fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set and  $\zeta$  be a fuzzy  $\mu$ -open set in  $X$ . The subsequent assertions are equivalent.

(i) Then  $X \setminus \xi \subseteq \zeta$  and  $x_\alpha \in X \setminus \xi$  for any fuzzy  $\mu$ -open set  $\zeta$  containing  $x_\alpha$ .

(ii) Then one of the subsequent (a) or (b) holds:

(a) For each fuzzy  $\mu$ -open set  $\zeta$  containing  $x_\alpha$  and  $x_\alpha \in X \setminus \xi$ ,  $\zeta = X$ .

(b) There exists a fuzzy  $\mu$ -open set  $\zeta$  such that  $X \setminus \xi \subseteq \zeta$  and  $\zeta \subseteq X$ .

(iii) Then one of the subsequent (a) or (b) preserves:

(a) For each fuzzy  $\mu$ -open set  $\zeta$  containing  $x_\alpha$  and each  $x_\alpha \in \xi$ ,  $X \setminus \xi \not\subseteq \zeta$ .

(b) There exists a fuzzy  $\mu$ -open set  $\zeta$  such that  $X \setminus \xi = \zeta (\neq X)$ .

**Proof:** (i) As  $x_\alpha \in X \setminus \xi$ , we acquire  $\zeta \not\subseteq \xi$  for any fuzzy  $\mu$ -open set  $\zeta$  containing  $x_\alpha$ . In accordance with the Theorem 2.3 (i),  $\xi \cup \zeta = X$  or  $\zeta \subseteq \xi \implies X \setminus \xi \subseteq \zeta$ .

(ii) Case is over if (a) preserves. Let (a) don't hold. Then there is an existing element  $x_\alpha \in X \setminus \xi$  and a fuzzy  $\mu$ -open set  $\zeta$  containing  $x_\alpha$  such that  $\zeta \not\subseteq X$ . In accordance with the Theorem 2.5 (i),  $\xi \cup \zeta = X$  or  $\zeta \subseteq \xi$ .  $Z \not\subseteq \xi \Rightarrow \xi \cup \zeta = X \Rightarrow X \setminus \xi \subseteq \zeta$ .

(iii) Case is over if (b) preserves. Let (b) don't bear. Then (by (i)) for each  $x_\alpha \in X \setminus \xi$  and each fuzzy  $\mu$ -open set  $\zeta$  containing  $y_\beta \in X \setminus \xi \subseteq \zeta$ . Therefore by assumption  $X \setminus \xi \not\subseteq \zeta$ .

**Theorem 2.5.** Let  $\xi, \zeta, \eta$  be fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open sets in a GFTS  $(X, \mu)$  such that  $\xi \neq \zeta$ . If  $\xi \cap \zeta \subseteq \eta$ , then either  $\xi = \eta$  or  $\zeta = \eta$ .

**Proof:** Case is over if  $\xi = \eta$ . If  $\xi \neq \eta$ , then it is necessary to show that  $\zeta = \eta$ . Let  $\zeta \cap \eta = \zeta \cap (\eta \cap X) = \zeta \cap (\eta \cap (\xi \cup \zeta))$  (by Theorem 2.3 (ii))  $= \zeta \cap [(\eta \cap \xi) \cup (\eta \cap \zeta)] = (\zeta \cap \eta \cap \xi) \cup (\zeta \cap \eta) = (\xi \cap \zeta) \cup (\zeta \cap \eta) = \zeta \cap (\xi \cup \eta) = \zeta \cap X = \zeta \Rightarrow \zeta \subseteq \eta$ . So in light of definition of fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set it follows that  $\zeta = \eta$ .

**Theorem 2.6.** Let  $\xi, \zeta$  and  $\eta$  be three distinct fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open sets in  $X$ . Then  $\xi \cap \zeta \not\subseteq \xi \cap \eta$ .

**Proof:** If possible, let  $\xi \cap \zeta \subseteq \xi \cap \eta$ . Then  $(\xi \cap \zeta) \cup (\zeta \cap \eta) \subseteq (\xi \cap \eta) \cup (\zeta \cap \eta)$ . So  $\zeta \cap (\xi \cup \eta) \subseteq \eta \cap (\xi \cup \zeta)$ . In accordance with the Theorem 2.3 (ii),  $\xi \cup \eta = X = \xi \cup \zeta \Rightarrow \zeta \subseteq \eta$ . So in light of definition of fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set it follows that  $\zeta = \eta$ , a contradiction.

**Theorem 2.7.** (I) Let  $\gamma$  be a fuzzy minimal  $\mu$ -closed set of  $X$ . If  $x_\alpha \in \gamma$ , then  $\gamma \subseteq \lambda$  for any fuzzy  $\mu$ -closed set  $\lambda$  containing  $x_\alpha$ .

(ii) Let  $\gamma$  be a fuzzy minimal  $\mu$ -closed set of  $X$ . Then  $\gamma = \cap \{\lambda : x_\alpha \in \lambda \text{ and } \lambda \text{ is fuzzy } \mu\text{-closed}\}$ .

**Proof:** (i) Let  $x_\alpha \in \gamma$  and  $\lambda$  be a fuzzy  $\mu$ -closed set such that  $x_\alpha \in \lambda$ . Then  $\gamma \cap \lambda \neq \emptyset$ . In accordance with the Theorem 2.3(iii),  $\gamma \subseteq \lambda$ .

(ii) By (i) it is clear that  $\gamma \subseteq \cap \{\lambda : x_\alpha \in \lambda \text{ and } \lambda \text{ is fuzzy } \mu\text{-closed}\}$ . Let  $x_\alpha \in \cap \{\lambda : x_\alpha \in \lambda \text{ and } \lambda \text{ is fuzzy } \mu\text{-closed}\} \Rightarrow x_\alpha \in \lambda$  for all fuzzy  $\mu$ -closed set  $\lambda \Rightarrow x_\alpha \in \gamma$  (as  $\gamma$  is fuzzy  $\mu$ -closed)  $\Rightarrow \cap \{\lambda : x_\alpha \in \lambda \text{ and } \lambda \text{ is fuzzy } \mu\text{-closed}\} = \gamma$ . It could be a co-finite set if its complement is finite.

**Theorem 2.8.** Let  $\xi$  be a proper nonempty co-finite fuzzy  $\mu$ -open subset of  $X$ . Then there exists at least one (co-finite) fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set  $\zeta$  such that  $\xi \subseteq \zeta$ .

**Proof:** Suppose  $\xi$  is a fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set, then  $\xi = \zeta$ . If  $\xi$  is not a fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set, then we can acquire a co-finite fuzzy  $\mu$ -open set  $\xi_1$  such that  $\xi \subseteq \xi_1 (\neq X)$ . If  $\xi_1$  is a fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set, then we acquire  $\zeta = \xi_1$ . If  $\xi_1$  is not a fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set, then we can acquire a fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set  $\xi_2 (\neq X)$  such that  $\xi \subseteq \xi_1 \subseteq \xi_2$ . As we proceed with this method, we eventually acquire a sequence of fuzzy  $\mu$ -open sets such that  $\xi \subseteq \xi_1 \subseteq \xi_2 \subseteq \xi_3 \subseteq \dots \subseteq \xi_n \subseteq \dots$ . Since  $\xi$  is a co-finite fuzzy set, only finite number of occurrence of the process and eventually we acquire a fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set  $\zeta = \xi_k$  for one positive integer  $k$ .

**Theorem 2.9.** (i) Let  $\{\Omega_\kappa : \kappa \in \Lambda\}$ ,  $\Omega$  be a fuzzy minimal  $\mu$ -closed sets in  $X$ . If  $\Omega \subseteq$

$\bigcup_{k \in \Lambda} \Omega_k$ . Then there exists  $k_0 \in \Lambda$  such that  $\Omega = \Omega_{k_0}$ .

(ii) Let  $\{\Omega_\kappa: \kappa \in \Lambda\}$ ,  $\Omega$  be a fuzzy minimal  $\mu$ -closed sets. If  $\Omega \neq \Omega_\kappa$  for any  $k \in \Lambda$ , then

$$\left( \bigcup_{k \in \Lambda} \Omega_k \right) \cap \Omega = 0$$

**Proof:**(i) We need to show that  $\Omega \cap \Omega_{k_0} \neq 0$ , for at least one  $\kappa_0 \in \Lambda$ . If  $\Omega \cap \Omega_\kappa = 0$  for each  $\kappa \in \Lambda$ , then  $\Omega_\kappa \subseteq X \setminus \Omega$  for each  $\kappa \in \Lambda$ . Hence  $\Omega \subseteq \bigcup_{k \in \Lambda} \Omega_k \subseteq X \setminus \Omega$ , a contradiction. Hence  $\Omega \cap \Omega_{k_0} \neq 0$  for some  $\kappa_0 \in \Lambda$ . Now  $\Omega \cap \Omega_{k_0} \subseteq \Omega, \Omega_{k_0}$ . Since  $\Omega$  is fuzzy minimal  $\mu$ -closed set,  $\Omega \cap \Omega_{k_0} = \Omega \implies \Omega \subseteq \Omega_{k_0}$ . Analogously  $\Omega_{k_0} \subseteq \Omega \implies \Omega = \Omega_{k_0}$ .

(ii) Suppose that  $(\bigcup_{k \in \Lambda} \Omega_k) \cap \Omega \neq 0$ . Then we could have  $\kappa \in \Lambda$  such that  $\Omega_\kappa \cap \Omega \neq 0$ . In accordance with the Theorem 2.3(iv),  $\Omega = \Omega_\kappa$  for any  $\kappa$ , a contradiction.

### 3. Fuzzy $\mu$ -closure, $\mu$ -interior and maximal $\mu$ -open sets

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $\xi$  be a fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set in  $X$ . Then either  $c_\mu(\xi) = X$  or  $c_\mu(\xi) = \xi$ .

**Proof :** Merely the succeeding cases (a) and (b) arise using Theorem 2.4(iii) as  $\xi$  is a fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set.

(a) For each fuzzy  $\mu$ -open set  $\zeta$  containing  $x_\alpha$  and each  $x_\alpha \in X \setminus \xi$ , we acquire  $X \setminus \xi \subseteq \zeta$ . Let  $\zeta$  be any fuzzy  $\mu$ -open set containing  $y_\beta$  and  $x_\alpha \in X \setminus \xi$ . Since  $X \setminus \xi \subseteq \zeta$ , we acquire  $\zeta \cap \xi \neq 0$  and hence  $X \setminus \xi \subseteq c_\mu(\xi)$ . Since  $X = \xi \cup (X \setminus \xi) \subseteq \xi \cup c_\mu(\xi) = c_\mu(\xi) \subseteq X$ ,  $X = c_\mu(\xi)$ .

(b) There is a fuzzy  $\mu$ -open set  $\zeta$  such that  $X \setminus \xi = \zeta$  ( $\neq X$ ). Since  $X \setminus \xi = \zeta$ , a fuzzy  $\mu$ -open,  $\xi$  is a fuzzy  $\mu$ -closed set  $\implies \xi = c_\mu(\xi)$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $\xi$  be a fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set in  $X$ . Then either  $i_\mu(X \setminus \xi) = X \setminus \xi$  or  $i_\mu(X \setminus \xi) = 0$ .

**Proof :** By using Theorem 3.1, we acquire  $c_\mu(\xi) = \xi$  or  $c_\mu(\xi) = X$ , i.e.,  $i_\mu(X \setminus \xi) = X \setminus \xi$ , or  $i_\mu(X \setminus \xi) = 0$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $\xi$  be a fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set and  $\zeta$  be a nonzero fuzzy subset of  $X \setminus \xi$  in  $X$ . Then  $c_\mu(\zeta) = X \setminus \xi$

**Proof :** As  $0 \neq \zeta \subseteq X \setminus \xi$ ,  $\rho \cap \zeta \neq 0$  for any element  $x_\alpha \in X \setminus \xi$  and any  $\mu$ -open set  $\rho$  containing  $x_\alpha$  in accordance with the Theorem 2.4 (i). Likewise  $X \setminus \xi \subseteq c_\mu(\zeta)$ . Since  $X \setminus \xi$  is fuzzy  $\mu$ -closed and  $\zeta \subseteq X \setminus \xi$ , we acquire  $c_\mu(\zeta) \subseteq X \setminus \xi$ .

**Corollary 3.4.** Let  $\xi$  be a fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set and  $\xi \subseteq \zeta$ . Then  $c_\mu(\zeta) = X$ .

**Proof :** Since  $\xi \subseteq \zeta \subseteq X$ , there exists a nonzero fuzzy subset  $\gamma$  of  $X \setminus \xi$  such that  $\zeta = \xi \cup \gamma$ . Therefore we acquire,  $c_\mu(\zeta) = c_\mu(\xi \cup \gamma) \supseteq c_\mu(\xi) \cup c_\mu(\gamma) \supseteq \xi \cup (X \setminus \xi)$  (by Theorem 3.1) =  $X$ .

**Theorem 3.5.** Let  $\xi$  be a fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set and let  $X \setminus \xi$  have at least two elements. Then  $c_\mu(X \setminus \{x_\alpha\}) = X$  for any element  $a$  of  $X \setminus \xi$ .

**Proof:** As  $\xi \subseteq X \setminus \{x_\alpha\}$  and by means of Corollary 3.4,  $c_\mu(X \setminus \{x_\alpha\}) = X$ .

**Theorem 3.6.** Let  $\xi$  be a fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set and  $\beta$  be a subset of  $(X, \mu)$  with  $\xi \subseteq \beta$ . Then  $i_\mu(\beta) = \xi$ .

**Proof :** If  $\lambda = \xi$ , then  $i_\mu(\lambda) = i_\mu(\xi) = \xi$ . If  $\lambda \neq \xi$ , then we acquire  $\xi \subsetneq \lambda$ . In this way,  $\xi \subseteq i_\mu(\lambda)$ . Since  $\xi$  is fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open, we acquire  $i_\mu(\lambda) \subseteq \xi$ . Hence  $i_\mu(\lambda) = \xi$ .

**Theorem 3.7.** Let  $\xi$  be a fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set and  $\gamma$  be a nonzero fuzzy subset of  $X \setminus \xi$ . Then  $X \setminus c_\mu(\gamma) = \xi$

**Proof :** Since  $\xi \subseteq X \setminus \gamma \subsetneq X$ , based on assumption and by using Theorem 3.3,  $X \setminus c_\mu(\gamma) = \xi$ .

#### 4. Fuzzy Almost Minimal $\mu$ -closed and Fuzzy Almost Minimal $\mu$ -open Sets

**Definition 4.1.** A fuzzy subset  $\vartheta \subset X$  is said to be fuzzy almost maximal  $\mu$ -open if there exists a fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set  $\rho$  such that  $\rho \subseteq \vartheta \subseteq c_\mu(\rho)$ .

**Remark 4.1.** Every fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set (fuzzy minimal  $\mu$ -closed set) is a fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set (resp. an fuzzy almost minimal  $\mu$ -closed set).

**Example 4.2.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ . Then fuzzy sets  $\beta_1 = \frac{1}{a} + \frac{0}{b} + \frac{1}{c} + \frac{1}{d}$ ;  $\beta_2 = \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{0}{c} + \frac{0}{d}$ ;

$\beta_3 = \frac{1}{a} + \frac{0}{b} + \frac{0}{c} + \frac{0}{d}$  and  $\beta_4 = \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} + \frac{0}{d}$  are defined as follows: Consider the fuzzy generalized topology  $\mu = \{0_X, \beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3, 1_X\}$ . Here  $\gamma_4$  is not fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open Set (since it is not fuzzy  $\mu$ -open set) but it is almost fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set.

**Theorem 4.3.** If  $\vartheta$  is a fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set and  $\vartheta \subseteq \zeta \subseteq c_\mu(\vartheta)$ , then  $\zeta$  is also a fuzzy almost maximal  $\mu$ -open set.

**Proof:** As  $\vartheta$  is an fuzzy almost maximal  $\mu$ -open set, there exists a fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set  $\rho$  such that  $\rho \subseteq \vartheta \subseteq c_\mu(\rho)$  and  $\rho \subseteq \vartheta \subseteq \zeta \subseteq c_\mu(\vartheta) \subseteq c_\mu(\rho) \Rightarrow \zeta$  is also a fuzzy almost maximal  $\mu$ -open set.

**Theorem 4.4.** A subset  $\gamma$  of a GFTS  $X$  is fuzzy almost minimal  $\mu$ -closed iff there exists a fuzzy minimal  $\mu$ -closed set  $\lambda \subseteq X$  such that  $i_\mu(\lambda) \subseteq \gamma \subseteq \lambda$ .

**Proof :** Let  $\gamma$  be a fuzzy almost minimal  $\mu$ -closed set. Hence a fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set  $\rho$  such that  $\rho \subseteq X \setminus \gamma \subseteq c_\mu(\rho) \Rightarrow i_\mu(X \setminus \rho) = X \setminus c_\mu(\rho) \subseteq \gamma \subseteq X \setminus \rho$ . Put  $X \setminus \rho = \lambda$ . Then  $\lambda$  is a fuzzy minimal  $\mu$ -closed set such that  $i_\mu(\lambda) \subseteq \gamma \subseteq \lambda$ .

Conversely let for  $\gamma \subseteq X$ , there exist a fuzzy minimal  $\mu$ -closed set  $\lambda$  such that  $i_\mu(\lambda) \subseteq \gamma \subseteq \lambda$ . Then  $X \setminus \lambda \subseteq X \setminus \gamma \subseteq X \setminus i_\mu(\lambda) = c_\mu(X \setminus \lambda)$ . So a fuzzy maximal  $\mu$ -open set  $\rho = X \setminus \lambda$  such that  $\rho \subseteq X \setminus \gamma \subseteq c_\mu(\rho) \Rightarrow X \setminus \gamma$  is an fuzzy almost maximal  $\mu$ -open set. So  $\gamma$  is an fuzzy almost minimal  $\mu$ -closed set.

**Theorem 4.5.** Let  $\beta$  be a fuzzy almost minimal  $\mu$ -closed set. If  $i_\mu(\beta) \subseteq \gamma \subseteq \beta$ , then  $\gamma$  is also a fuzzy almost minimal  $\mu$ -closed set.

**Proof :** As  $\beta$  is a fuzzy almost minimal  $\mu$ -closed set, there exists a fuzzy minimal  $\mu$ -closed set  $\lambda$  such that  $i_\mu(\gamma) \subseteq \lambda \subseteq \gamma$  (using Theorem 4.4). So  $i_\mu(\gamma) \subseteq i_\mu(\lambda) \subseteq \gamma \subseteq \lambda$ . Therefore  $i_\mu(\lambda) \subseteq \gamma \subseteq \lambda \Rightarrow \gamma$  is a fuzzy almost minimal  $\mu$ -closed set.

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