

## $G_\delta$ –SEPARATION AXIOMS IN ORDERED FUZZY TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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$G_\delta$ -separation axioms are introduced in ordered fuzzy topological spaces and some of their basic properties are investigated besides establishing an analogue of Urysohn's lemma.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

The fuzzy concept has invaded all branches of Mathematics ever since the introduction of fuzzy set by Zadeh [10]. Fuzzy sets have applications in many fields such as information [5] and control [8]. The theory of fuzzy topological spaces was introduced and developed by Chang [3] and since then various notions in classical topology have been extended to fuzzy topological spaces. Sostak [6] introduced the fuzzy topology as an extension of Chang's fuzzy topology. It has been developed in many directions. Sostak [7] also published a new survey article of the developed areas of fuzzy topological spaces. Katsaras [4] introduced and studied ordered fuzzy topological spaces. Motivated by the concepts of fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set [2] and ordered fuzzy topological spaces the concept of increasing (decreasing) fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets, fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_1$  ordered spaces and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$  ordered spaces are studied. In this paper we introduce some new separation axioms in the ordered fuzzy topological spaces and we establish an analogue of Urysohn's lemma.

### 2. PRELIMINARIES

**Definition 1.** Let  $(X, T)$  be a fuzzy topological space and  $\lambda$  be a fuzzy set in  $X$ .  $\lambda$  is called a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set [2] if  $\lambda = \lambda_i$  where each  $\lambda_i \in T$  for  $i \in I$ .

**Definition 2.** Let  $(X, T)$  be a fuzzy topological space and  $\lambda$  be a fuzzy set in  $X$ .  $\lambda$  is called a fuzzy  $F_\sigma$ -set if  $\lambda = \lambda_i$  where each  $1 - \lambda_i \in T$  for  $i \in I$  (see [2]).

**Definition 3.** A fuzzy set  $\mu$  in a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  is called a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $x \in X$  if there exists a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set  $\mu_1$  with  $\mu_1 \leq \mu$  and  $\mu_1(x) = \mu(x) > 0$ .

It is easy to see that a fuzzy set is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - if and only if  $\mu$  is a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of each  $x \in X$  for which  $\mu(x) > 0$ .

**Definition 4.** A family  $H$  of fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhoods of a point  $x$  is called a base for the system of all fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood  $\mu$  of  $x$  if the following condition is satisfied. For each fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood  $\mu$  of  $x$  and for each  $\theta$ , with  $0 < \theta < \mu(x)$  there exists  $\mu_1 \in H$  with  $\mu_1 \leq \mu$  and  $\mu_1(x) > \theta$ .

**Definition 5.** A function  $f$  from a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  to a fuzzy topological space  $(Y, S)$  is called fuzzy irresolute if  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - in  $X$  for each fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set  $\mu$  in  $Y$ . The function  $f$  is said to be fuzzy irresolute at  $x \in X$  if  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $x$  for each fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood  $\mu$  of  $f(x)$ . Following the idea of Warren [10] it is easy to see that  $f$  is fuzzy irresolute  $\Leftrightarrow f$  is-fuzzy irresolute at each  $x \in X$ .

**Definition 6.** A fuzzy set  $\lambda$  in  $(X, T)$  is called increasing/decreasing if  $\lambda(x) \leq \lambda(y)/\lambda(x) \geq \lambda(y)$  whenever  $x \leq y$  in  $(X, T)$  and  $x, y \in X$ .

**Definition 7.** (Katsaras [4]) An ordered set on which there is given a fuzzy topology is called an ordered fuzzy topological space.

**Definition 8.** If  $\lambda$  is a fuzzy set of  $X$  and  $\mu$  is a fuzzy set of  $Y$  then  $\lambda \times \mu$  is a fuzzy set of  $X \times Y$ , defined by  $(\lambda \times \mu)(x, y) = \min(\lambda(x), \mu(y))$ , for each  $(x, y) \in X \times Y$  [1]. A fuzzy topological space  $X$  is product related [1] to another fuzzy topological space  $Y$  if for any fuzzy set  $\gamma$  of  $X$  and  $\eta$  of  $Y$  whenever  $(1 - \lambda) \geq \gamma$  and  $1 - \mu \geq \eta \Rightarrow ((1 - \lambda) \times 1) \vee (1 \times (1 - \mu)) \geq \gamma \times \eta$ , where  $\lambda$  is a fuzzy open set in  $X$  and  $\mu$  is a fuzzy open set in  $Y$ , there exist  $\lambda_1$  a fuzzy open set in  $X$  and  $\mu_1$  a fuzzy open set in  $Y$  such that  $1 - \lambda_1 \geq \gamma$  or  $1 - \mu_1 \geq \eta$  and  $((1 - \lambda_1) \times 1) \vee (1 \times (1 - \mu_1)) = ((1 - \lambda) \times 1) \vee (1 \times (1 - \mu))$ .

**Definition 9.** (Katsaras [4]) An ordered fuzzy topological space  $(X, T, \leq)$  is called normally ordered if the following condition is satisfied. Given a decreasing fuzzy closed set  $\mu$  and a decreasing fuzzy open set  $\gamma$  such that  $\mu \leq \gamma$ , there are decreasing fuzzy open set  $\gamma_1$  and a decreasing fuzzy closed set  $\mu_1$  such that  $\mu \leq \gamma_1 \leq \mu_1 \leq \gamma$ .

### 3. FUZZY $G_\delta$ - $T_1$ -ORDERED SPACES

Let  $(X, T, \leq)$  be an ordered fuzzy topological space and let  $\lambda$  be any fuzzy set in  $(X, T, \leq)$ ,  $\lambda$  is called increasing fuzzy  $G_\delta/F_\sigma$  if  $\lambda = \bigwedge_{i=1}^{\infty} \lambda_i$  /if  $\lambda = \bigvee_{i=1}^{\infty} \lambda_i$ , where each  $\lambda_i$  is increasing fuzzy open/closed in  $(X, T, \leq)$ . The complement of fuzzy increasing  $G_\delta/F_\sigma$ -set is decreasing fuzzy  $F_\sigma/G_\delta$ .

**Definition 10.** Let  $\lambda$  be any fuzzy set in the ordered fuzzy topological space  $(X, T, \leq)$ . Then we define

- $I_\sigma(\lambda)$  = increasing fuzzy  $\sigma$ -closure of  $\lambda$   
= the smallest increasing fuzzy  $F_\sigma$ -set containing  $\lambda$ ;
- $D_\sigma(\lambda)$  = decreasing fuzzy  $\sigma$ -closure of  $\lambda$   
= the smallest decreasing fuzzy  $F_\sigma$ -set containing  $\lambda$ ;
- $I_\sigma^0(\lambda)$  = increasing fuzzy  $\sigma$ -interior of  $\lambda$   
= the greatest increasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set contained in  $\lambda$ ;
- $D_\sigma^0(\lambda)$  = decreasing fuzzy  $\sigma$ -interior of  $\lambda$   
= the greatest decreasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set contained in  $\lambda$ .

**Proposition 1.** For any fuzzy set  $\lambda$  of an ordered fuzzy topological space  $(X, T, \leq)$ , the following are valid.

- (a)  $1 - I_\sigma(\lambda) = D_\sigma^0(1 - \lambda)$ ,
- (b)  $1 - D_\sigma(\lambda) = I_\sigma^0(1 - \lambda)$ ,
- (c)  $1 - I_\sigma^0(\lambda) = D_\sigma(1 - \lambda)$ ,
- (d)  $1 - D_\sigma^0(\lambda) = I_\sigma(1 - \lambda)$ .

*Proof.* We shall prove (a) only, (b), (c) and (d) can be proved in a similar manner.

Since  $I_\sigma(\lambda)$  is a increasing fuzzy  $F_\sigma$ -set containing  $\lambda$ ,  $1 - I_\sigma(\lambda)$  is a decreasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set such that  $1 - I_\sigma(\lambda) \leq 1 - \lambda$ . Let  $\mu$  be another decreasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set such that  $\mu \leq 1 - \lambda$ . Then  $1 - \mu$  is a increasing fuzzy  $F_\sigma$ -set such that  $1 - \mu \geq \lambda$ . It follows that  $I_\sigma(\lambda) \leq 1 - \mu$ . That is,  $\mu \leq 1 - I_\sigma(\lambda)$ . Thus,  $1 - I_\sigma(\lambda)$  is the largest decreasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set such that  $1 - I_\sigma(\lambda) \leq 1 - \lambda$ . That is,  $1 - I_\sigma(\lambda) = 1 - D_\sigma^0(1 - \lambda)$ . □

**Definition 11.** An ordered fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  is said to be lower/upper fuzzy  $G_\delta - T_1$ -ordered if for each pair of elements  $a \not\leq b$  in  $X$ , there exists an increasing/decreasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood  $\lambda$  such that  $\lambda(a) > 0/\lambda(b) > 0$  and  $\lambda$  is not a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $b/a$ .  $X$  is said to be fuzzy  $G_\delta - T_1$ -ordered if it is both lower and upper  $G_\delta - T_1$ -ordered.

**Proposition 2.** For an ordered fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  the following are equivalent.

1.  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  is lower/upper fuzzy  $G_\delta - T_1$ -ordered.
2. For each  $a, b \in X$  such that  $a \not\leq b$ , there exists an increasing/decreasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set  $\lambda$  such that  $\lambda(a) > 0/\lambda(b) > 0$  and  $\lambda$  is not a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $b/a$ .

3. For all  $x \in X$ ,  $\chi_{[\leftarrow, x]}/\chi_{[x, \rightarrow]}$  is fuzzy  $F_\sigma/G_\delta$  - where  $[\leftarrow, x] = \{y \in X | y \leq x\}$  and  $[x, \rightarrow] = \{y \in X | y \geq x\}$ .

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  be lower fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_1$ -ordered. Let  $a, b \in X$  be such that  $a \leq b$ . There exists an increasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood  $\lambda$  of  $a$  such that  $\lambda$  is not a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $b$ . It follows that there exists a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set  $\mu_1$  with  $\mu_1 \leq \lambda$  and  $\mu_1(a) = \lambda(a) > 0$ . As  $\lambda$  is increasing,  $\lambda(a) > \lambda(b)$  and since  $\lambda$  is not a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $b$ ,  $\mu_1(b) < \lambda(b) \Rightarrow \mu_1(a) = \lambda(a) > \lambda(b) > \mu_1(b)$ . This shows  $\mu_1$  is increasing and  $\mu_1$  is not a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $b$  since  $\lambda$  is not a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $b$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) consider  $1 - \chi_{[\leftarrow, x]}$ . Let  $y$  be such that  $1 - \chi_{[\leftarrow, x]}(y) > 0$ . This means  $y \leq x$ . Therefore by (2) there exists increasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set  $\lambda$  such that  $\lambda(y) > 0$  and  $\lambda$  is not a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $x$  and  $\lambda \leq 1 - \chi_{[\leftarrow, x]}$ . This means  $1 - \chi_{[\leftarrow, x]}$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - and so  $X_{(\leftarrow, x]}$  is fuzzy  $F_\sigma$ .

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) This is obvious. □

**Corollary 1.** If  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  is lower/upper fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_1$ -ordered and  $\tau \leq \tau^*$ , then  $(X, \tau^*, \leq)$  is also lower/upper fuzzy  $G_\delta - T_1$ -ordered.

**Proposition 3.** Let  $f$  be order preserving (that is  $x \leq y$  in  $X$  if and only if  $f(x) \leq *f(y)$  in  $X^*$ ), fuzzy irresolute mapping from an ordered fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  to an ordered fuzzy topological space  $(X^*, \tau^*, \leq^*)$ . If  $(X^*, \tau^*, \leq^*)$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_1$ -ordered, then  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_1$ -ordered.

**Proof.** Let  $a \leq b$  in  $X$ . As  $f$  is order preserving,  $f(a) \leq^* f(b)$  in  $X^*$ . Hence there exists an increasing/decreasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set  $\lambda^*$  in  $X^*$  such that  $\lambda^*(f(a)) > 0/\lambda^*(f(b)) > 0$  and  $\lambda^*$  is not a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $f(b)/f(a)$ . Let  $\lambda = f^{-1}(\lambda^*)$ . As  $f$  is order preserving and fuzzy irresolute  $\lambda$  is an increasing/decreasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set in  $X$ . Also  $\lambda(a) > 0/\lambda(b) > 0$  and  $\lambda$  is not a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $b/a$ . Thus we have shown that  $X$  is lower/upper fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_1$ -ordered. That is  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_1$ -ordered.

**Proposition 4.** Suppose  $(X_{t1}, \tau_{t1}, \leq_{t1})$  and  $(X_{t2}, \tau_{t2}, \leq_{t2})$  be any two ordered fuzzy topological spaces such that  $X_{t1}$  and  $X_{t2}$  are product related (Zadeh [11]). Assume  $X_{t1}$  and  $X_{t2}$  are fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_1$ -ordered. Let  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  be the product ordered fuzzy topological space. Then  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  is also fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_1$ -ordered.

**Proof.** Let  $a = (a_{t1}, a_{t2})$  and  $b = (b_{t1}, b_{t2})$  be two elements of the product  $X$  such that  $a \not\leq b$ . Thus  $a_{t1} \not\leq b_{t1}$  or  $a_{t2} \not\leq b_{t2}$  or both. To be definite let us assume that  $a_{t1} \not\leq b_{t1}$ . Since  $(X_{t1}, \tau_{t1}, \leq_{t1})$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta - T_1$ -ordered, there exists an increasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set  $\theta_{t1}$  in  $\tau_{t1}$ , such that  $\theta_{t1}(a_{t1}) > 0$  and  $\theta_{t1}(b_{t1}) = 0$ . Define  $\theta = \theta_{t1} \times 1_{X_{t2}}$ . Then  $\theta$  is an increasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set in  $X$  such that  $\theta(a) > 0$  and  $\theta(b) = 0$ . (Since  $\theta(b) = \theta(b_{t1}, b_{t2}) = \theta_{t1} \times 1_{x_{t2}}(b_{t1}, b_{t2}) = \text{Min}\{\theta_{t1}(b_{t1}), 1_{x_{t2}}(b_{t2})\} = \text{Min}\{0, 1\} = 0$ ).

Therefore  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  is lower fuzzy  $G_\delta - T_1$ -ordered. Similarly we can prove it is also upper fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_1$ -ordered. That is  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_1$ -ordered.

**Definition 12.** Let  $\{(X_t, \tau_t, \leq_t)\}_{t \in \Delta}$  be a collection of disjoint ordered fuzzy topological spaces. Let  $X = \bigcup_{t \in \Delta} X_t$ ,  $T = \{\lambda \in I^X \mid \lambda/X_t \in \tau_t\}$  and “ $\leq$ ” be a partial order on  $X$  such that  $x \leq y$  if and only if  $x, y \in X_t$  for some  $t \in \Delta$  and  $x \leq_t y$ . Then  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  is called ordered fuzzy topological sum of  $\{(X_t, \tau_t, \leq_t)\}_{t \in \Delta}$ .

In this connection we prove the following proposition.

**Proposition 5.**  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_1$ -ordered  $\Leftrightarrow (X_t, \tau_t, \leq_t)$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_1$ -ordered for each  $t \in \Delta$ .

*Proof.* Let  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  be fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_1$ -ordered that  $t \in \Delta$ . Suppose  $x, y \in X_t$  such that  $x \not\leq_t y$ . Then  $x \not\leq y$ . Hence there exists an increasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set  $\lambda$  in  $X$  such that  $\lambda(x) > 0$  and  $\lambda(y) = 0$ . But  $\lambda/X_t$  is an increasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - of  $X_t$ , such that  $\lambda/X_t(x) > 0$  and  $\lambda/X_t(y) = 0$ . Therefore,  $(X_t, \tau_t, \leq_t)$  is lower fuzzy  $G_\delta - T_1$ -ordered. Similarly, we can show that it is an upper fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_1$ -ordered space.

Conversely, let  $(X_t, \tau_t, \leq_t)$  be fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_1$ -ordered for all  $t \in \Delta$ . Consider  $x, y \in X$  such that  $x \leq y$ . Then there exists  $t_0 \in \Delta$  such that  $x, y \in X_{t_0}$ , with  $x \leq_{t_0} y$  or  $x \in X_t, y \in X_s, t \neq s, t, s \in \Delta$ . If  $x, y \in X_{t_0}, t_0 \in \Delta$ , then by hypothesis there exists an increasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set  $\lambda$  in  $X_{t_0}$  such that  $\lambda(x) > 0, \lambda(y) = 0$ . Then  $\lambda$  is the required increasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set of  $X$ . But if  $x \in X_t, y \in X_s, t \neq s, t, s \in \Delta$  then  $1_{X_t}$ , is the required increasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set of  $X$ . Hence in either cases  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  is lower fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_1$ -ordered. Similarly we can prove that  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  is upper  $G_\delta$ - $T_1$ -ordered.  $\square$

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**Definition 13.**  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  is said to be fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered if for  $a, b \in X$ , with  $a \not\leq b$ , there exists fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  such that  $\lambda$  is an increasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $a$ ,  $\mu$  is a decreasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $a$  and  $\lambda \wedge \mu = 0$ .

**Definition 14.** Let  $(X, \leq)$  be any partially ordered set. Let  $G = \{(x, y) \in X \times X \mid x \leq y\}$ . Then  $G$  is called the graph of the partial order “ $\leq$ ”.

**Proposition 6.** For an ordered fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  the following are equivalent.

- (1)  $X$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered.
- (2) For each pair  $a, b \in X$  such that  $a \not\leq b$ , there exists fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  such that  $\lambda(a) > 0, \mu(b) > 0$  and  $\lambda(x) > 0$  and  $\mu(y) > 0$  together imply that  $x \leq y$ .
- (3) The characteristic function  $\chi_G$  where  $G$  is the graph of the partial order of  $G$ , is fuzzy  $F_\sigma$ - in  $(X \times X, \tau \times \tau, \leq)$ .

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Suppose  $\lambda(x) > 0$ , and  $\mu(y) > 0$  and suppose  $x \leq y$ . Since  $\lambda$  is increasing and  $\mu$  is decreasing,  $\lambda(x) \leq \lambda(y)$  and  $\mu(x) \geq \mu(y)$ . Therefore,  $0 < \lambda(x) \wedge \mu(y) \leq \lambda(y) \wedge \mu(x)$ , which is a contradiction to the fact that  $\lambda \wedge \mu = 0$ . Therefore  $x \not\leq y$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let  $a, b \in X$  with  $a \not\leq b$ . Then there exist fuzzy sets  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  satisfying the properties in (2). Consider  $I_\sigma^0(\lambda)$  and  $D_\sigma^0(\mu)$ . Clearly  $I_\sigma^0(\lambda)$  is increasing and  $D_\sigma^0(\mu)$  is decreasing. So the proof is complete if we show that  $I_\sigma^0(\lambda) \wedge D_\sigma^0(\mu) = 0$ . Suppose  $z \in X$  is such that  $I_\sigma^0(\lambda)(z) \wedge D_\sigma^0(\mu)(z) > 0$ . Then  $I_\sigma^0(\lambda)(z) > 0$  and  $D_\sigma^0(\mu)(z) > 0$ . So if  $y \leq z \leq x$ , then  $y \leq z \Rightarrow D_\sigma^0(\mu)(y) \geq D_\sigma^0(\mu)(z)$  and  $z \leq x \Rightarrow I_\sigma^0(\lambda)(x) \geq I_\sigma^0(\lambda)(z) > 0$ . Hence by (2)  $x \not\leq y$ ; but then  $x \leq y$  and this is a contradiction.

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) We want to show that  $\chi_G$  is fuzzy  $F_\sigma$ - in  $(X \times X, \tau \times \tau)$ . So it is sufficient if we show that  $1 - \chi_G$  is a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $(x, y) \in X \times X$  such that  $(1 - \chi_G)(x, y) > 0$ . Suppose  $(x, y) \in X \times X$  is such that  $(1 - \chi_G)(x, y) > 0$ . That is  $\chi_G(x, y) < 1$ . This means  $\chi_G(x, y) = 0$ . That is  $(x, y) \not\leq G$ . That is,  $x \not\leq y$ . Therefore by (1) there exists fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  such that  $\lambda$  is increasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $a$ ,  $\mu$  is a decreasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $b$  and  $\lambda \wedge \mu = 0$ . Clearly,  $\lambda \times \mu$  is a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $(x, y)$ . It is easy to verify that  $\lambda \times \mu < 1 - \chi_G$ . Thus we find that  $1 - \chi_G$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -. Hence (3) is established.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Suppose  $x \leq y$ . Then  $(x, y) \notin G$ , where  $G$  is the graph of the partial order. Given that  $\chi_G$  is fuzzy  $F_\sigma$  in  $(X, \times X, \tau \times \tau)$ ,  $1 - \chi_G$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - in  $(X \times X, \tau \times \tau)$ . Now,  $(x, y) \notin G \Rightarrow (1 - \chi_G)(x, y) = 1 > 0$ . Therefore,  $(1 - \chi_G)$  is a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $(x, y) \in X \times X$ . Hence we can find a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set  $\lambda \times \mu$  such that  $\lambda \times \mu < (1 - \chi_G)$  and  $\lambda$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set such that  $\lambda(x) > 0$  and  $\mu$  is a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set such that  $\mu(y) > 0$ .

We now claim that  $I_\sigma^0(\lambda) \wedge D_\sigma^0(\mu) = 0$ . For if  $z \in X$  is such that  $(I_\sigma^0(\lambda) \wedge D_\sigma^0(\mu))(z) > 0$ , then  $I_\sigma^0(\lambda)(z) \wedge D_\sigma^0(\mu)(z) > 0$ . This means  $I_\sigma^0(\lambda)(z) > 0$  and  $D_\sigma^0(\mu)(z) > 0$ . And if  $b \leq z \leq a$ , then  $z \leq a \Rightarrow I_\sigma^0(\lambda)(a) > I_\sigma^0(\lambda)(z) > 0$ , and  $b \leq z \Rightarrow D_\sigma^0(\mu)(b) \geq D_\sigma^0(\mu)(z) > 0$ . Then  $I_\sigma^0(\lambda)(a) > 0, D_\sigma^0(\mu)(b) > 0 \Rightarrow a \not\leq b$ ; but then  $a \leq b$ . This is a contradiction. Hence (1) is established.  $\square$

**Definition 15.**  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  is said to be weakly fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered if given  $b < a$  (i.e.,  $b \leq a$ , and  $b \neq a$ ) there exists fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  such that  $\lambda(a) > 0$  and  $\mu(b) > 0$  and such that if  $x, y \in X$ ,  $\lambda(x) > 0, \mu(y) > 0$  together imply that  $y < x$ .

**Notation.** The symbol  $x||y$  means that  $x \not\leq y$  and  $y \not\leq x$ .

**Definition 16.**  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  is said to be almost fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered if given  $a||b$  there exists fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  such that  $\lambda(a) > 0$  and  $\mu(b) > 0$  and such that if  $x, y \in X$ ,  $\lambda(x) > 0$  and  $\mu(y) > 0$  together imply that  $x||y$ .

**Proposition 7.**  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered,  $\Leftrightarrow (X, \tau, \leq)$  is weakly fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered and almost fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered.

**Proof.** Clearly if  $X$  is a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered, then it is weakly fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered. So now let  $a \parallel b$ . Then  $a \not\leq b$  and  $b \not\leq a$ . Since  $a \not\leq b$  and since  $X$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered we have fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  such that  $\lambda(a) > 0$ ,  $\mu(b) > 0$ ,  $\lambda(x) > 0$  and  $\mu(y) > 0$  together imply that  $x \leq y$ . Also since  $b \leq a$ , there exists fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets  $\mu^*$  and  $\lambda^*$  such that  $\lambda^*(a) > 0$ , and  $\mu^*(b) > 0$ , and  $\lambda^*(x) > 0$  and  $\mu^*(y) > 0$  together  $\Rightarrow y \not\leq x$ . Thus  $I_\sigma^0(\lambda \wedge \lambda^*)$  is a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set such that  $I_\sigma^0(\lambda \wedge \lambda^*)(a) > 0$  and  $I_\sigma^0(\mu \wedge \mu^*)$  is such that  $I_\sigma^0(\mu \wedge \mu^*)(b) > 0$  and  $I_\sigma^0(\lambda \wedge \lambda^*)(x) > 0$  and  $I_\sigma^0(\mu \wedge \mu^*)(y) > 0$  together imply that  $x \parallel y$ . Hence  $X$  is almost fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered.

Conversely let  $X$  be weakly fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered and almost fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered. We want to show that  $X$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered. So let  $a \not\leq b$ . Then either  $b < a$  or  $b \leq a$ . If  $b < a$ , then  $X$  being weakly fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered there exists fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  such that  $\lambda(a) > 0$  and  $\mu(b) > 0$  and such that  $\lambda(x) > 0$ ,  $\mu(y) > 0$  together imply  $y < x$ . That is  $x \not\leq y$ . If  $b \leq a$ , then  $a \parallel b$  and the result follows easily since  $X$  is almost fuzzy  $G_\delta$  -  $T_2$ -ordered.  $\square$

**Definition 17.** Let  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  be fuzzy sets in  $(X, \tau, \leq)$ .  $\lambda$  is called a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $\mu$  if  $\mu \leq \lambda$  and there exists a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set  $\delta$  such that  $\mu \leq \delta \leq \lambda$ .

**Proposition 8.** An ordered fuzzy topological space  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered  $\Leftrightarrow$  For each pair of points  $x \not\leq y$  in  $X$ , there exists a function  $f$  of  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  into a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered space  $(X^*, \tau^*, \leq^*)$  such that (1)  $f$  is increasing/decreasing; (2)  $f$  is fuzzy irresolute; (3)  $f(x) \leq^* f(y)/f(y) \leq^* f(x)$ .

**Proof.** If  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered space, then the identity mapping is the required function.

Conversely let  $x \not\leq y$  in  $X$ . Hence by hypothesis, there exists a function  $f$  of  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  into a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered space  $(X^*, \tau^*, \leq^*)$  satisfying the conditions (1), (2) and (3).

Since  $f(x) \not\leq^* f(y)$  and  $(X^*, \tau^*, \leq^*)$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered there exists an increasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set  $\lambda$  and a decreasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set  $\mu$  such that  $\lambda$  is a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $f(a)$  and  $\mu$  is a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $f(b)$  such that  $\lambda \wedge \mu = 0$ . Since  $f$  is increasing and  $\lambda$  is increasing it follows by Proposition 3.8 of [4],  $F^{-1}(\lambda)$  is increasing. Also since  $f$  is increasing and  $\mu$  is decreasing again by Proposition 3.8 of [4],  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is decreasing. Also since  $f$  is fuzzy irresolute  $f^{-1}(\lambda)$  and  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  are fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets in  $X$  and also  $f^{-1}(\lambda) \wedge f^{-1}(\mu) = f^{-1}(\lambda \wedge \mu) = f^{-1}(0) = 0$ .

Hence  $X$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered. Analogously one can prove the proposition for decreasing function.  $\square$

**Proposition 9.** The product of a family of fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered spaces is also fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered.

**Proof.** Let  $\{X_t, \tau_t, \leq_t\} | t \in \Delta$  be a family of fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered spaces and  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  be the product of ordered fuzzy topological spaces. If  $(x(t), (y_t) \in X$  such that  $(x_t) \not\leq (y_t)$ , then there exists  $t_0 \in \Delta$  such that  $x_{t_0} \not\leq y_{t_0}$ . Thus there exists fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets  $\lambda_{t_0}$  and  $\mu_{t_0}$  in  $X_{t_0}$ , where  $\lambda_{t_0}$  is increasing and  $\mu_{t_0}$  is decreasing and  $\lambda_{t_0}$  is

fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $x_{t_0}$ ,  $\mu_{t_0}$  is a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $y_{t_0}$ ,  $\lambda_{t_0} \wedge \mu_{t_0} = 0$ . Define

$$\lambda = \prod_{t \in \Delta} \lambda_t \quad \text{where} \quad \lambda_{t_0} = 1_{x_{t_0}} \quad \text{if} \quad t \neq t_0,$$

and

$$\mu = \prod_{t \in \Delta} \mu_t \quad \text{where} \quad \mu_{t_0} = 1_{x_{t_0}} \quad \text{if} \quad t \neq t_0.$$

Then  $\lambda$  is an increasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set of  $X$  and  $\mu$  is decreasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set of  $X$  such that  $\lambda$  is a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $(x_t)$  and  $\mu$  is a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -neighbourhood of  $(y_t)$  and  $\lambda \wedge \mu = 0$ . Hence  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered.  $\square$

**Proposition 10.** Let  $\{(X_t, \tau_t, \leq) | t \in \Delta\}$  be a family of disjoint ordered fuzzy topological spaces and let  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  be the ordered fuzzy topological sum. Then  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered  $\Leftrightarrow (X_t, \tau_t, \leq_t)$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ - $T_2$ -ordered for each  $t \in \Delta$ .

*Proof.* The proof is similar to Proposition 5.  $\square$

**Definition 18.**  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  is said to be fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -normally ordered if and only if the following condition is satisfied: Given decreasing fuzzy  $F_\sigma$ -set  $\mu$  and decreasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set  $\rho$  such that  $\mu \leq \rho$ , there are decreasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set  $\rho_1$  and a decreasing fuzzy  $F_\sigma$ -set  $\mu_1$  such that  $\mu \leq \rho_1 \leq \mu_1 \leq \rho$ .

Clearly every normally ordered space (see Katsaras [4]) is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -normally ordered.

**Proposition 11.** In an ordered fuzzy topological spaces  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  the following are equivalent:

- (1)  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -normally ordered;
- (2) Given a decreasing fuzzy  $G_\sigma$ -set  $\mu$  and a decreasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set  $\rho$  with  $\mu \leq \rho$ , there exists a decreasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set  $\rho_1$  such that  $\mu < \rho_1 < D_\sigma(\rho_1) \leq \rho$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let  $\mu$  and  $\rho$  be as given in (2).

Hence by (1) we have fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -decreasing set  $\rho_1$  a decreasing fuzzy  $F_\sigma$ -set  $\mu_1$  such that  $\mu \leq \rho_1 \leq \mu_1 \leq \rho$ . Since  $\mu_1$  is a decreasing fuzzy  $F_\sigma$ -set such that  $\rho_1 \leq \mu_1$ , we have  $\mu \leq \rho_1 \leq D_\sigma(\rho_1) \leq \mu_1 \leq \rho$ . This proves (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2).

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). Let  $\mu$  be a decreasing fuzzy  $F_\sigma$ -set and  $\rho$  be a decreasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set such that  $\mu \leq \rho$ . Hence by (2) there exists a decreasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set  $\rho_1$  such that  $\mu \leq \rho_1 \leq D_\sigma(\rho_1) \leq \rho$ .

Clearly  $D_\sigma(\rho_1)$  is the smallest decreasing fuzzy  $F_\sigma$ -set containing  $\rho_1$ . Put  $\mu_1 = D(\rho_1)$ . Then  $\mu \leq \rho_1 \leq \mu_1 \leq \rho$  shows that (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) is proved.  $\square$

We have now the following result which is analogous to Urysohn’s lemma.



**Definition 19.** A function  $f$  from a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  to a fuzzy topological space  $(Y, S)$  is called fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -continuous if  $f^{-1}(\lambda)$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$  in  $(X, T)$  whenever  $\lambda$  is fuzzy open in  $(Y, S)$ .

**Theorem 12.**  $(X, \tau, \leq)$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -normally ordered  $\Leftrightarrow$  Given a decreasing fuzzy  $F_\sigma$ -set  $\mu$  in  $X$  and a decreasing fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set  $\rho$  with  $\mu \leq \rho$ , there exists an increasing function  $f : X \rightarrow I(I)$  such that  $\mu(x) < 1 - f(x)(0+) \leq 1 - f(x)(1-) \leq \rho(x)$  and  $f$  is fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -continuous and  $I(I)$  is fuzzy unit interval (see [4]).

**Proof.** The proof is similar to that of Theorem 5.3 in [4] with some slight suitable modifications.

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