

# Some Covering Properties Using Fuzzy Maximal Covers

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## Abstract

The aim of this article is to define fuzzy maximal open cover and discuss its few properties. we also defined and study fuzzy m-compact space and discussed its properties. Also we obtain few more results on fuzzy minimal c-regular and fuzzy minimal c-normal spaces. We have proved that a fuzzy Hausdorff m-compact space is fuzzy minimal c-normal.

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## 1 Introduction

Zadeh[8] established fuzzy set in 1965. Chang[1] introduced fuzzy topology in 1968. Consequent of fuzzy minimal (resp. maximal) open sets[2], Swaminathan developed fuzzy mean open sets in [3]. Swaminathan and Sivaraja studied various comparison results in fuzzy minimal, maximal and mean open sets in [4], [5] and [7]. The nature of fuzzy maximal open sets in fuzzy topology having significance in covering properties. Swaminathan and Sivaraja [?] introduced fuzzy s-refinement and extended maximal open covers in fuzzy topology.

In section 2 of this article we study basic notions in fuzzy topology. In section 3 of this article fuzzy weakly m-compact, fuzzy weakly m-Lindelof, fuzzy m-Lindelof, fuzzy countably m-compact and fuzzy m-paracompact space and few properties discussed.

## 2 Preliminaries

**Definition 2.1.** ([2]) A proper fuzzy open set  $\mu$  of  $X$  is said to be a fuzzy maximal open set if  $\lambda$  is a fuzzy open set such that  $\mu < \lambda$ , then  $\lambda = \mu$  or  $\lambda = 1_X$

**Definition 2.2.** ([2]) A proper fuzzy open set  $\mu$  of  $X$  is said to be a fuzzy minimal open set if  $\lambda$  is a fuzzy open set such that  $\lambda < \mu$ , then  $\lambda = \mu$  or  $\lambda = 0_X$

**Definition 2.3.** [3] In a fts  $X$ ,  $\alpha$  is called a fuzzy mean open (resp.  $\gamma$  fuzzy mean closed) if  $\exists \lambda, \mu (\neq \alpha)$  two distinct proper fuzzy open sets (resp. two distinct proper fuzzy closed sets  $\beta, \delta (\neq \gamma)$ ) such that  $\lambda < \alpha < \mu$  (resp.  $\beta < \gamma < \delta$ )

**Definition 2.4.** [6] Let  $C$  and  $D$  be two fuzzy covers of a fts  $X$ .  $C$  is a fuzzy  $s$ -refinement of  $D$  if  $\forall \alpha \in C \exists \beta \in D$  such that  $\alpha < \beta$ . A fuzzy  $s$ -refinement  $C$  of  $D$  is said to be a fuzzy open  $s$ -refinement of  $D$  if all members of  $C$  and  $D$  are fuzzy open.

**Definition 2.5.** [6] If every FMAO cover of a fts  $X$  has a finite fuzzy open  $s$ -refinement then  $X$  is said to be fuzzy  $m$ -compact.

**Definition 2.6.** [6] A function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  for any two FTSs  $X$  and  $Y$  is said to be fuzzy  $m$ -continuous, if inverse image of each proper fuzzy open set in  $Y$  is FMAO in  $X$ .

**Definition 2.7.** [6] A fts  $X$  is called a fuzzy minimal  $c$ -regular if for each  $p^\alpha \in X$  and

each FMIC set  $\gamma$  with  $p^\alpha \in \gamma$ , there exists disjoint fuzzy open sets  $\lambda, \mu$  such that  $p^\alpha \in \lambda$

and

$\lambda < \mu$ .

**Definition 2.8.** [6] A fts  $X$  is called a fuzzy minimal  $c$ -normal if for each pair of distinct FMIC sets  $\eta, \gamma$  there exists disjoint fuzzy open sets  $\lambda, \mu$  such that  $\eta < \lambda$  and  $\gamma < \mu$ .

**Definition 2.9.** [6] A fuzzy point  $p^\alpha$  of a fts  $X$  is fuzzy  $m$ -complete accumulation point of any fuzzy subset  $M$  of  $X$  if  $|U \wedge M| = |M|$  for each FMAO set  $U$  containing  $p^\alpha$ .

**Lemma 2.1.** [6] A fuzzy open cover containing a FMAO set is fuzzy maximal.

**Theorem 2.2.** [2] If  $\alpha$  is fuzzy maximal open and  $\beta$  is fuzzy open in  $X$ , then either  $\alpha \vee \beta = 1$  or  $\beta \leq \alpha$ . If  $\beta$  is also a fuzzy maximal open set distinct from  $\alpha$ , then  $\alpha \vee \beta$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** [2] If  $\lambda$  is fuzzy minimal closed and  $\mu$  is fuzzy closed in  $X$ , then either  $\lambda \wedge \mu = 0$  or  $\mu \leq \lambda$ . If  $\mu$  is also a fuzzy minimal closed set distinct from  $\lambda$ , then  $\lambda \wedge \mu = 0$ .

**Theorem 2.4.** [6] Every infinite  $T_1$  fts is fuzzy  $m$ -compact.

### 3 Main Results

**Definition 3.1.** A fuzzy topological space  $X$  is said to be fuzzy weakly  $m$ -compact if each fuzzy maximal open cover of  $X$  has a fuzzy open finite refinement.

A fuzzy subset  $Y$  of  $X$  is said to be a fuzzy weakly  $m$ -compact subset of  $X$  if  $(Y, \tau_Y)$  is fuzzy weakly  $m$ -compact.

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $X$  be a fuzzy  $m$ -compact fuzzy topological space and  $K$  be fuzzy minimal closed in  $X$ . Then  $K$  is fuzzy weakly  $m$ -compact.

**Proof:** Let  $U$  be a fuzzy maximal open cover of the fuzzy minimal closed set  $K$ . For each  $U \in U$ , there is a fuzzy open set  $W$  in  $X$  such that  $U = K \cap W$ . Since by Lemma 1 and  $1 - K$  is a fuzzy maximal open set in  $X$ , we write  $W = \{W : U \in U\} \cup \{1 - K\}$  is a fuzzy maximal open cover of  $X$ . By fuzzy  $m$ -compactness of  $X$ ,  $W$  has a fuzzy finite open  $s$ -refinement  $\{V_1, V_2, \dots, V_n\}$ . Clearly  $\{V_1 \cap K, V_2 \cap K, \dots, V_n \cap K\}$  is a fuzzy finite open refinement of  $U$ .

**Definition 3.2.** Let  $x_\alpha \in X$  and  $U \subseteq X$ . A fuzzy point  $x_\alpha$  is said to be a fuzzy  $m$ -accumulation point of  $U$  if for each fuzzy maximal open set containing  $x_\alpha$  contains at least one point of  $U$  other than  $x_\alpha$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $X$  be a fuzzy  $m$ -accumulation fuzzy topological space. Then every infinite fuzzy subset of  $X$  has a fuzzy  $m$ -accumulation point.

**Proof:** Assume that  $U$  be an infinite fuzzy subset of  $X$ . Let  $U$  have no fuzzy  $m$ -accumulation point. Then for each  $x_\alpha \in X$ , there is a fuzzy maximal open set  $V_{x_\alpha}$  in  $X$  such that  $x_\alpha \in V_{x_\alpha}$  and  $V_{x_\alpha} \cap U = 0$  or  $V_{x_\alpha} \cap U = \{x_\alpha\}$ . Now  $U = \{V_{x_\alpha} : x_\alpha \in X\}$  is a fuzzy maximal cover of  $X$  (by Lemma 1). By the fuzzy  $m$ -compactness of  $X$ , there is a finite

fuzzy  $s$ -refinement  $W$  of  $U$ . Let  $W = \{W_{x\alpha_1}, W_{x\alpha_2}, \dots, W_{x\alpha_n}\}$ . Then

$$U \subseteq X = \bigcup_{i=1}^n W_{x\alpha_i}. \text{ But for each } i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}, U \cap W_{x\alpha_i} = 0 \text{ or } U \cap W_{x\alpha_i} = \{x_{\alpha_i}\}.$$

It implies that cardinality of  $U$  is at most  $n$ . Which contradicts the fact that  $U$  is fuzzy infinite.

**Definition 3.3.** A fuzzy topological space  $X$  is said to be fuzzy  $m$ -Lindelof if every fuzzy maximal open cover of  $X$  has a fuzzy open countable  $s$ -refinement.

**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be a fuzzy topological spaces, where  $X$  is fuzzy  $m$ -Lindelof and  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a bijective fuzzy  $m$ -continuous function. Then  $Y$  is also fuzzy  $m$ -Lindelof.

**Proof:** Let  $S^{(Y)}$  be a fuzzy maximal open cover of  $Y$ . Since  $f$  is a fuzzy bijective  $m$ -continuous function,  $S^{(X)} = \{f^{-1}(U) : U \in S^{(Y)}\}$  is a fuzzy maximal open cover of  $X$  (by Definition 2.6 and Lemma 2.1). By fuzzy  $m$ -Lindelofness of  $X$ ,  $S^{(X)}$  has a fuzzy open countable  $s$ -refinement  $S^{(X)} = \{W_\beta : \beta \in \Gamma\}$ , say where the index set  $\Gamma$  is countable. Since  $f$  is bijective, it implies that  $S^{(Y)} = \{f(W_\beta) : \beta \in \Gamma\}$  covers  $Y$ . Let  $f(W_\beta)$  be a member of  $S^{(Y)}$ . Then  $W_\beta \in S^{(X)}$ . As  $S^{(X)}$  is a fuzzy  $s$ -refinement of  $S^{(X)}$ , we have  $W_\beta \subset f^{-1}(U)$ , for some  $U \in S^{(Y)}$ . Further  $f$  is bijective gives that  $f(W_\beta) \subset U$ . Hence  $S^{(Y)}$  is a fuzzy open countable  $s$ -refinement of  $S^{(Y)}$ .

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $X$  be a fuzzy  $m$ -Lindelof topological space and  $M$  be a fuzzy subset of  $X$  with  $|M| \geq p$ . Then  $M$  has a fuzzy complete  $m$ -accumulation point.

**Proof:** Consider for each  $x_\alpha \in X$ , there is a fuzzy maximal open set  $U_\alpha$  containing

$x_\alpha$  and satisfying  $|U_\alpha \cap M| < |M|$ . Then  $|U_\alpha \cap M| \leq \omega_0$ , for each  $x_\alpha \in X$ . As

$\{U_\alpha : x_\alpha \in X\}$  is a fuzzy open cover of  $X$  consists of fuzzy maximal open sets by Lemma 2.1,  $\{U_\alpha : x_\alpha \in X\}$  is a fuzzy maximal open cover of  $X$ . Then there is a fuzzy open countable  $s$ -refinement  $\{U_{x\alpha_i} : x_{\alpha_i}, i \in \Omega\}$ , where the index

set  $\Omega$  is a countable subset of

$\{U_\alpha : x_\alpha \in X\}$  Now  $|M| = \sum_{i \in \Omega} \omega_0$ . This gives that  $|M| \leq \omega_0 \leq p \leq |M|$ ,

which is a contradiction.  $(U_{x\alpha_i} \cap M) \leq$

**Theorem 3.5.** Let  $X$  be a fuzzy  $m$ -Lindelof topological space and  $M$  be an uncountable fuzzy subset of  $X$ . Then  $M$  has a fuzzy  $m$ -accumulation point.

**Proof:** If possible, let  $M$  have no fuzzy  $m$ -accumulation point. Then for each  $x_\alpha \in X$ , there is a fuzzy maximal open set  $V_\alpha \in X$  such that  $x_\alpha \in V_\alpha$  and  $(V_\alpha \cap M) = 0$

or  $(V_{x\alpha} \cap M) = \{x_\alpha\}$ . Now  $U = \{V_{x\alpha} : x_\alpha \in X\}$  is a fuzzy maximal open cover of  $X$  (by the Lemma 1). By the fuzzy  $m$ -Lindelofness of  $X$ , there is a fuzzy open countable  $s$ -refinement  $W$  of  $U$ . Let us write  $W = \{W_{x\alpha_1}, W_{x\alpha_2}, \dots, W_{x\alpha_n}\}$ . Then

$$M \cap X = \bigcup_{i=1}^n W_{x\alpha_i} \cap M. \text{ But for each } i = 1, 2, \dots, n, M \cap W_{x\alpha_i} = \emptyset \text{ or } M \cap W_{x\alpha_i} = \{x_{\alpha_i}\}. \text{ It} \\ = \{x_{\alpha_i} : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} \in \mathcal{F}_X$$

gives that cardinality of  $M$  is at most  $\omega_0$ . Which contradicts the fact that  $M$  is fuzzy  $m$ -Lindelof uncountable.

**Definition 3.4.** A fuzzy topological space  $X$  is said to be fuzzy weakly  $m$ -Lindelof if each fuzzy maximal open cover of  $X$  has a fuzzy countable open refinement.

Let  $Y \subseteq X$ . Then  $Y$  is said to be a fuzzy weakly  $m$ -compact subset of  $X$  if  $(Y, \tau_Y)$  is fuzzy weakly  $m$ -compact.

**Theorem 3.6.** Let  $X$  be a fuzzy  $m$ -Lindelof topological space and  $K$  be fuzzy minimal closed in  $X$ . Then  $K$  is fuzzy weakly  $m$ -Lindelof.

**Proof:** Proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 3.1.

**Definition 3.5.** A fuzzy topological space  $X$  is said to be fuzzy countably  $m$ -compact if every countable fuzzy maximal open cover has a finite fuzzy open  $s$ -refinement.

Obviously, fuzzy  $m$ -compact topological space is fuzzy countably  $m$ -compact.

**Theorem 3.7.** Let  $X$  be a fuzzy Lindelof topological space containing a fuzzy minimal closed set  $K$ . Then following are equivalent:

- (i)  $X$  is fuzzy  $m$ -compact.
- (ii)  $X$  is fuzzy countably  $m$ -compact.

**Proof:** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) It is obvious.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) Let  $U$  be a fuzzy maximal open cover of  $X$ . By fuzzy Lindelofness of  $X$ ,  $U$  has a countable fuzzy subcollection  $W$ , say, that covers  $X$ . Then by the Lemma 1,  $W \cup \{1 - K\}$  is a countable fuzzy maximal open cover of  $X$ . By the countably fuzzy  $m$ -compactness of  $X$ ,  $W \cup \{1 - K\}$  has a finite fuzzy open  $s$ -refinement of  $X$ , i.e.,  $X$  is fuzzy  $m$ -compact.

**Theorem 3.8.** An infinite fuzzy  $T_1$ -connected topological space is countably fuzzy  $m$ -compact.

**Proof:** Proof follows from Theorem 2.4.

**Definition 3.6.** A fuzzy topological space  $X$  is said to be a fuzzy  $m$ -paracompact topological space if each fuzzy maximal open cover of  $X$  has a fuzzy open locally finite fuzzy  $s$ -refinement.

**Theorem 3.9.** If  $X$  is a fuzzy  $m$ -paracompact topological space, then each fuzzy maximal open cover of  $X$  has a fuzzy open locally finite fuzzy  $s$ -refinement.

**Proof:** Proof is trivial.

**Lemma 3.10.** Let  $U$  be a fuzzy  $s$ -refinement (resp. fuzzy refinement) of  $W$  and  $W$  be a refinement (resp., fuzzy  $s$ -refinement) of  $V$ . Then  $U$  is a fuzzy  $s$ -refinement of  $V$ .

**Proof:** Obvious.

**Theorem 3.11.** *If  $X$  is a fuzzy  $m$ -paracompact topological space, then each fuzzymaximal open cover of  $X$  has a locally finite fuzzy  $s$ -refinement (not necessarily open).*

**Proof:** Proof follows from the Lemma 3.10..

**Theorem 3.12.** *A fuzzy Hausdorff  $m$ -paracompact topological space is fuzzy minimal $m$ -regular.*

**Proof:** Let  $X$  be a fuzzy Hausdorff  $m$ -compact fuzzy topological space. Suppose  $K \in X$  be a fuzzy minimal closed set and  $x_\alpha \in X$  such that  $x_\alpha \not\leq K$ . Then for each  $z_\beta \in K$  there exists disjoint fuzzy open sets  $U_{z_\beta}, V_{z_\beta}$  such that  $x_\alpha \in U_{z_\beta}$  and  $z_\beta \in V_{z_\beta}$ . Clearly  $x_\alpha \not\leq cl(V_{z_\beta})$ . Then  $V = \{V_{z_\beta} : z_\beta \in K\} \cup \{1 - K\}$  is a fuzzy maximal open cover of  $X$ , by the Lemma 1. Since  $X$  is fuzzy  $m$ -paracompact, there is a fuzzy open locally finites-refinement  $W$  say  $V = \{V_{z_\beta} : z_\beta \in K\} \cup \{1 - K\}$ .

Let  $V = \{W \in W \mid W \cap K \neq 0\}$ . Then  $V$  is a fuzzy open set which contains  $K$ . Since

$\{W \in W \mid W \cap K \neq 0\}$  is a subcollection of a fuzzy locally finite family, it is fuzzy locally finite and therefore  $cl(V) = \{cl(W) : W \in W \mid W \cap K \neq 0\}$ . Now for each  $W \in W$ , there is a  $V_{z_\beta} \in V$  such that  $W \subseteq V_{z_\beta}$  such that  $W \subseteq V_{z_\beta}$ , that is  $cl(W) \subseteq cl(V_{z_\beta})$ . Thus  $x_\alpha \not\leq cl(V)$  i.e.,  $x_\alpha \in 1 - cl(V)$ . Thus  $X$  is fuzzy minimal  $c$ -regular.

**Corollary 3.13.** *A fuzzy Hausdorff  $m$ -paracompact topological space is fuzzy minimalfuzzy  $c$ -normal.*

**Proof:** Let  $G$  and  $K$  distinct fuzzy minimal closed sets in fuzzy Hausdorff  $m$ -paracompact topological space. For each  $z_\beta \in G$ , by Theorem 3.12, there exist disjoint fuzzy open sets  $U_{z_\beta}$  and  $V_{z_\beta}$  such that  $z_\beta \in V_{z_\beta}$  and  $W \subseteq V_{z_\beta}$ . By Lemma 2.1,  $U = \{U_{z_\beta} : z_\beta \in G\} \cup \{1 - G\}$  is a fuzzy maximal cover of  $X$ . Now if we proceed in a similar way as the proof of the Theorem, we can get disjoint fuzzy open sets  $U, V$  such that  $G \subseteq U$  and  $K \subseteq V$ .

**Definition 3.7.** A fuzzy topological space  $X$  is said to be a fuzzy weakly  $m$ -paracompact if each fuzzy maximal open cover of  $X$  has a fuzzy open locally finite  $s$ -refinement.

Let  $Y \subseteq X$ ,  $Y$  is said to be a fuzzy weakly  $m$ -paracompact subset of  $X$  if  $(Y, \tau_Y)$  is fuzzy weakly  $m$ -paracompact.

**Theorem 3.14.** *Let  $X$  be a fuzzy  $m$ -paracompact topological space and  $K$  be fuzzy minimal closed in  $X$ . Then  $K$  is fuzzy weakly  $m$ -paracompact*

**Proof:** Proof is trivial.

**Theorem 3.15.** *Let  $X$  be a fuzzy topological space in which all proper open sets are fuzzy mean open. Then  $X$  is fuzzy  $m$ -compact.*

**Proof:** If possible, let  $X$  be not fuzzy  $m$ -compact. Then there exists a fuzzy maximal open cover  $A$  of  $X$  which has no fuzzy open finite  $s$ -refinement. Now by the Definition 2.3, for each  $A \in A$  we have can a proper fuzzy open set  $W$  such that  $A \not\subseteq W$ . Then  $A$  is a fuzzy  $s$ -refinement of  $\{W : A \in A\}$ , which contradicts the fuzzy maximality of  $A$ . Thus  $X$  is fuzzy  $m$ -compact.

**Corollary 3.16.** *Let  $X$  be a fuzzy topological space in which all proper fuzzy open sets are fuzzy mean open. Then  $X$  is fuzzy  $m$ -Lindelof, fuzzy countably  $m$ -compact, fuzzy  $m$ -paracompact, fuzzy weakly  $m$ -compact, fuzzy weakly  $m$ -Lindelof and fuzzy weakly  $m$ -paracompact.*

**Proof:** Obvious.

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