

## Generalized fuzzy Volterra spaces

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper, fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra spaces and fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra spaces are defined and several characterizations of fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra spaces and fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra spaces are studied. The conditions for fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra spaces and fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra spaces, to be fuzzy Volterra spaces are also investigated in this paper.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

In order to deal with uncertainties, the idea of fuzzy sets and fuzzy set operations was introduced by L.A.Zadeh in his classical paper [22] in the year 1965. This inspired mathematicians to fuzzify Mathematical Structures. The first notion of fuzzy topological space had been defined by C.L.Chang [5] in 1968. Since then much attention has been paid to generalize the basic concepts of general topology in fuzzy setting and thus a modern theory of fuzzy topology has been developed. The concepts of Volterra spaces have been studied extensively in classical topology in [6, 7, 8, 9, 10]. The concepts of fuzzy Volterra spaces and fuzzy weakly Volterra spaces in fuzzy topological spaces are introduced and studied by the authors in [21].

In classical topology, the concept of generalized Volterra spaces was introduced and studied by Milan Matejdes in [11] and [12]. Motivated on these lines, the concept of generalized Volterra spaces in fuzzy setting is introduced and studied in this paper. A general concept of classification of fuzzy sets of a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  with respect to a given non-empty system  $\varepsilon$  consisting of fuzzy residual sets, fuzzy second category sets and fuzzy pre-open sets, is considered for defining generalized fuzzy Volterra spaces.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

Now we introduce some basic notions and results used in the sequel. In this work by  $(X, T)$  or simply by  $X$ , we will denote a fuzzy topological space due to Chang.

**Definition 2.1.** A fuzzy set  $\lambda$  in a set  $X$  is a function from  $X$  to  $[0, 1]$ , that is,  $\lambda : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ .

**Definition 2.2.** Let  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  be fuzzy sets in  $X$ . Then for all  $x \in X$ ,

- (i).  $\lambda = \mu \Leftrightarrow \lambda(x) = \mu(x)$ .
- (ii).  $\lambda \leq \mu \Leftrightarrow \lambda(x) \leq \mu(x)$ .
- (iii).  $\psi = \lambda \vee \mu \Leftrightarrow \psi(x) = \max\{\lambda(x), \mu(x)\}$ .
- (iv).  $\delta = \lambda \wedge \mu \Leftrightarrow \delta(x) = \min\{\lambda(x), \mu(x)\}$ .
- (v).  $\eta = \lambda^c \Leftrightarrow \eta(x) = 1 - \lambda(x)$ .

For a family  $\{\lambda_i / i \in I\}$  of fuzzy sets in  $(X, T)$ , the union  $\psi = \vee_i \lambda_i$  and intersection  $\delta = \wedge_i \lambda_i$  are defined respectively as

- (vi).  $\psi(x) = \sup_i \{\lambda_i(x) / x \in X\}$ .
- (vii).  $\delta(x) = \inf_i \{\lambda_i(x) / x \in X\}$ .

**Definition 2.3** ([1]). Let  $(X, T)$  be a fuzzy topological space. For a fuzzy set  $\lambda$  of  $X$ , the interior  $\text{int}(\lambda)$  and the closure  $\text{cl}(\lambda)$  are defined respectively as  $\text{int}(\lambda) = \vee\{\mu / \mu \leq \lambda, \mu \in T\}$  and  $\text{cl}(\lambda) = \wedge\{\mu / \lambda \leq \mu, 1 - \mu \in T\}$ .

**Lemma 2.4** ([1]). Let  $\lambda$  be any fuzzy set in a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$ . Then  $1 - \text{cl}(\lambda) = \text{int}(1 - \lambda)$  and  $1 - \text{int}(\lambda) = \text{cl}(1 - \lambda)$ .

**Lemma 2.5** ([1]). For a family  $\mathcal{A} = \{\lambda_\alpha\}$  of fuzzy sets of a fuzzy space  $X$ ,  $\vee(\text{cl}(\lambda_\alpha)) \leq \text{cl}(\vee(\lambda_\alpha))$ . In case  $\mathcal{A}$  is a finite set,  $\vee(\text{cl}(\lambda_\alpha)) = \text{cl}(\vee(\lambda_\alpha))$ . Also  $\vee(\text{int}(\lambda_\alpha)) \leq \text{int}(\vee(\lambda_\alpha))$ .

**Definition 2.6** ([19]). A fuzzy set  $\lambda$  in a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  is called a fuzzy dense set if there exists no fuzzy closed set  $\mu$  in  $(X, T)$  such that  $\lambda < \mu < 1$ .

**Definition 2.7** ([19]). A fuzzy set  $\lambda$  in a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  is called a fuzzy nowhere dense set if there exists no non-zero fuzzy open set  $\mu$  in  $(X, T)$  such that  $\mu < \text{cl}(\lambda)$ . That is,  $\text{intcl}(\lambda) = 0$ .

**Definition 2.8** ([2]). A fuzzy set  $\lambda$  in a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  is called a fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set in  $(X, T)$  if  $\lambda = \wedge_{i=1}^\infty (\lambda_i)$  where  $\lambda_i \in T$ , for  $i \in I$ .

**Definition 2.9** ([2]). A fuzzy set  $\lambda$  in a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  is called a fuzzy  $F_\sigma$ -set in  $(X, T)$  if  $\lambda = \vee_{i=1}^\infty (\lambda_i)$  where  $1 - \lambda_i \in T$ , for  $i \in I$ .

**Definition 2.10** ([19]). A fuzzy set  $\lambda$  in a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  is called a fuzzy first category set if  $\lambda = \vee_{i=1}^\infty (\lambda_i)$ , where  $\lambda_i$ 's are fuzzy nowhere dense sets in  $(X, T)$ . Any other fuzzy set in  $(X, T)$  is said to be of fuzzy second category.

**Definition 2.11** ([19]). Let  $\lambda$  be a fuzzy first category set in a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$ . Then  $1 - \lambda$  is called a fuzzy residual set in  $(X, T)$ .

**Definition 2.12** ([20]). Let  $(X, T)$  be fuzzy topological space. A fuzzy set  $\lambda$  in  $(X, T)$  is called a fuzzy  $\sigma$ -nowhere dense set if  $\lambda$  is a fuzzy  $F_\sigma$ -set in  $(X, T)$  such that  $\text{int}(\lambda) = 0$ .

**Definition 2.13** ([21]). Let  $(X, T)$  be a fuzzy topological space. Then  $(X, T)$  is called a fuzzy Volterra space if  $cl\left(\bigwedge_{k=1}^N (\lambda_k)\right) = 1$ , where  $(\lambda_k)$ 's are fuzzy dense and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ .

**Definition 2.14** ([16]). A fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  is called a fuzzy nodec space if every non-zero fuzzy nowhere dense set  $\lambda$  is fuzzy closed in  $(X, T)$ . That is, if  $\lambda$  is a fuzzy nowhere dense set in  $(X, T)$ , then  $1 - \lambda \in T$ .

**Definition 2.15** ([2]). A fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  is called a fuzzy submaximal space if for each fuzzy set  $\lambda$  in  $(X, T)$  such that  $cl(\lambda) = 1$ , then  $\lambda \in T$  in  $(X, T)$ .

**Definition 2.16** ([14]). Let  $(X, T)$  be a fuzzy topological space. Then  $(X, T)$  is called a fuzzy Baire space if  $int(\bigvee_{i=1}^\infty (\lambda_i)) = 0$ , where  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy nowhere dense sets in  $(X, T)$ .

**Definition 2.17** ([18]). A fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  is called a fuzzy  $D$ -Baire space if every fuzzy first category set in  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy nowhere dense set in  $(X, T)$ . That is,  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $D$ -Baire space if  $int\ cl(\lambda) = 0$ , for each fuzzy first category set  $\lambda$  in  $(X, T)$ .

**Definition 2.18.** A fuzzy set  $\lambda$  in a fuzzy topological space  $X$  is called a fuzzy pre-open if  $\lambda \leq intcl(\lambda)$  and fuzzy pre-closed if  $clint(\lambda) \leq \lambda$  [4].

**Lemma 2.19.** Let  $(X, T)$  be any fuzzy topological space and  $\lambda$  be any fuzzy set in  $(X, T)$ . The fuzzy pre-closure and the fuzzy pre-interior of  $\lambda$ , are defined as follows:

- (1)  $pcl(\lambda) = \bigwedge\{\mu/\lambda \leq \mu, \mu \text{ is a fuzzy pre-closed set of } X\}$  [13].
- (2)  $pint(\lambda) = \bigvee\{\mu/\mu \leq \lambda, \mu \text{ is a fuzzy pre-open set of } X\}$  [13].

**Definition 2.20** ([17]). Let  $(X, T)$  be a fuzzy topological space. A fuzzy set  $\lambda$  in  $(X, T)$  is called a fuzzy pre-nowhere dense set if there exists no non-zero fuzzy pre-open set  $\mu$  in  $(X, T)$  such that  $\mu < pcl(\lambda)$ . That is,  $pint\ pcl(\lambda) = 0$ .

### 3. FUZZY $\varepsilon_r$ -VOLTERRA SPACES

**Definition 3.1.** A fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  is said to be a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space if  $cl\left(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)\right) = 1$ , where  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense and fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ .

**Example 3.2.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ . The fuzzy sets  $\lambda, \mu$  and  $\nu$  are defined on  $X$  as follows :

- $\lambda : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is defined as  $\lambda(a) = 0.8; \lambda(b) = 0.6; \lambda(c) = 0.7$ ,
- $\mu : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is defined as  $\mu(a) = 0.6; \mu(b) = 0.9; \mu(c) = 0.8$ ,
- $\nu : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is defined as  $\nu(a) = 0.7; \nu(b) = 0.5; \nu(c) = 0.9$ .

Clearly  $T = \{0, \lambda, \mu, \nu, \lambda \vee \mu, \lambda \vee \nu, \mu \vee \nu, \lambda \wedge \mu, \lambda \wedge \nu, \mu \wedge \nu, \lambda \vee (\mu \wedge \nu), \lambda \wedge (\mu \vee \nu), \mu \vee (\lambda \wedge \nu), \mu \wedge (\lambda \vee \nu), \nu \vee (\lambda \wedge \mu), \nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu), \lambda \vee \mu \vee \nu, \lambda \wedge \mu \wedge \nu, 1\}$  is a fuzzy topology on  $X$ .

Now the fuzzy sets  $1 - [\lambda \wedge (\mu \vee \nu)] = (1 - \lambda) \vee [1 - (\lambda \vee \mu)] \vee (1 - [\lambda \vee (\mu \wedge \nu)]) \vee [1 - (\mu \vee \nu)] \vee [1 - (\lambda \vee \mu \vee \nu)]$ ,  $1 - (\lambda \wedge \mu \wedge \nu) = (1 - \mu) \vee [1 - (\lambda \wedge \mu)] \vee [1 - (\mu \wedge \nu)] \vee (1 - [\mu \wedge (\lambda \vee \nu)])$  and  $1 - (\lambda \wedge \nu) = (1 - \nu) \vee [1 - (\mu \vee \nu)] \vee (1 - [\nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu)]) \vee (1 - [\mu \vee (\lambda \wedge \nu)]) \vee (1 - [\lambda \wedge (\mu \vee \nu)])$  are fuzzy first category sets in  $(X, T)$  and

hence  $[\lambda \wedge (\mu \vee \nu)]$ ,  $(\lambda \wedge \mu \wedge \nu)$  and  $(\lambda \wedge \nu)$  are fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . Also,  $cl[\lambda \wedge (\mu \vee \nu)] = 1$ ,  $cl(\lambda \wedge \mu \wedge \nu) = 1$  and  $cl(\lambda \wedge \nu) = 1$ . Thus,  $[\lambda \wedge (\mu \vee \nu)]$ ,  $(\lambda \wedge \mu \wedge \nu)$  and  $(\lambda \wedge \nu)$  are fuzzy dense and fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . Then  $cl([\lambda \wedge (\mu \vee \nu)] \wedge (\lambda \wedge \mu \wedge \nu) \wedge (\lambda \wedge \nu)) = 1$ . Hence  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space.

**Proposition 3.3.** *If  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space, then  $int[\bigvee_{i=1}^N(\mu_i)] = 0$ , where  $(\mu_i)$ 's are fuzzy first category sets such that  $int(\mu_i) = 0$  in  $(X, T)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $(\mu_i)$ 's ( $i = 1$  to  $N$ ) be fuzzy first category sets such that  $int(\mu_i) = 0$  in  $(X, T)$ . Then  $(1 - \mu_i)$ 's are fuzzy residual sets such that  $cl(1 - \mu_i) = 1$  in  $(X, T)$ . That is,  $(1 - \mu_i)$ 's are fuzzy residual and fuzzy dense sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space,  $cl[\bigwedge_{i=1}^N(1 - \mu_i)] = 1$ . Then  $cl[1 - \bigvee_{i=1}^N(\mu_i)] = 1$  and hence  $1 - int[\bigvee_{i=1}^N(\mu_i)] = 1$ . Therefore, we have  $int[\bigvee_{i=1}^N(\mu_i)] = 0$ , where  $(\mu_i)$ 's are fuzzy first category sets in  $(X, T)$  such that  $int(\mu_i) = 0$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.4** ([15]). *If  $\lambda$  is a fuzzy dense and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set in a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$ , then  $\lambda$  is a fuzzy residual set.*

**Proposition 3.5.** *Let  $(X, T)$  be a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space. Then  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy Volterra space.*

*Proof.* Let  $(\lambda_i)$ 's ( $i = 1$  to  $N$ ) be fuzzy dense and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ . Then, by theorem 3.4,  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . This implies that  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense and fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space,  $cl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N(\lambda_i)) = 1$ . Hence  $cl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N(\lambda_i)) = 1$ , where  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ . Therefore  $(X, T)$  a fuzzy Volterra space.  $\square$

**Remark 3.6.** The converse of the above proposition need not be true. That is, a fuzzy Volterra space need not be a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space. For, consider the following example:

**Example 3.7.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ . The fuzzy sets  $\lambda, \mu$  and  $\nu$  are defined on  $X$  as follows :

$$\lambda : X \rightarrow [0, 1] \text{ is defined as } \lambda(a) = 0.8; \quad \lambda(b) = 0.5; \quad \lambda(c) = 0.7,$$

$$\mu : X \rightarrow [0, 1] \text{ is defined as } \mu(a) = 0.6; \quad \mu(b) = 0.9; \quad \mu(c) = 0.4,$$

$$\nu : X \rightarrow [0, 1] \text{ is defined as } \nu(a) = 0.4; \quad \nu(b) = 0.7; \quad \nu(c) = 0.8.$$

Clearly  $T = \{0, \lambda, \mu, \nu, \lambda \vee \mu, \lambda \vee \nu, \mu \vee \nu, \lambda \wedge \mu, \lambda \wedge \nu, \mu \wedge \nu, \lambda \vee (\mu \wedge \nu), \lambda \wedge (\mu \vee \nu), \mu \vee (\lambda \wedge \nu), \mu \wedge (\lambda \vee \nu), \nu \vee (\lambda \wedge \mu), \nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu), \lambda \vee \mu \vee \nu, \lambda \wedge \mu \wedge \nu, 1\}$  is a fuzzy topology on  $X$ .

Now the fuzzy sets  $\alpha = \lambda \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu) \wedge (\mu \wedge \nu) \wedge [\mu \vee (\lambda \wedge \nu)] \wedge [\lambda \wedge (\mu \vee \nu)]$  and  $\beta = \nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \nu) \wedge (\mu \vee \nu) \wedge [\nu \vee (\lambda \wedge \mu)] \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu \vee \nu)$  are fuzzy dense and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ . Also,  $cl(\alpha \wedge \beta) = 1$ . Hence the fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy Volterra space.

Now the fuzzy sets  $1 - \lambda, 1 - \mu, 1 - \nu, 1 - (\lambda \vee \mu), 1 - (\lambda \vee \nu), 1 - (\mu \vee \nu), 1 - (\lambda \wedge \nu), 1 - (\mu \wedge \nu), 1 - [\lambda \vee (\mu \wedge \nu)], 1 - [\nu \vee (\lambda \wedge \mu)], 1 - [\nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu)], 1 - [\mu \vee (\lambda \wedge \nu)], 1 - [\lambda \wedge (\mu \vee \nu)], 1 - (\lambda \vee \mu \vee \nu), 1 - [\mu \wedge (\lambda \vee \nu)]$  are fuzzy nowhere dense sets in  $(X, T)$ .

Now the fuzzy sets  $1 - [\nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu)] = (1 - \nu) \vee [1 - (\lambda \vee \mu)] \vee (1 - [\lambda \vee (\mu \wedge \nu)]) \vee [1 - (\mu \vee \nu)] \vee (1 - [\mu \vee (\lambda \wedge \nu)])$ ,  $1 - (\lambda \wedge \nu) = [1 - (\lambda \vee \mu)] \vee (1 - [\lambda \vee (\mu \wedge \nu)]) \vee$

$(1 - [\lambda \wedge (\mu \vee \nu)]) \vee [1 - (\lambda \vee \mu \vee \nu)] \vee (1 - [\nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu)])$  and  $1 - (\mu \wedge \nu) = (1 - [\nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu)]) \vee [1 - (\mu \wedge \nu)] \vee (1 - \mu) \vee (1 - [\mu \vee (\lambda \wedge \nu)]) \vee (1 - [\mu \wedge (\lambda \vee \nu)])$  are fuzzy first category sets in  $(X, T)$  and hence  $[\nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu)]$ ,  $(\lambda \wedge \nu)$  and  $(\mu \wedge \nu)$  are fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . Also,  $cl[\nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu)] = 1$ ,  $cl(\lambda \wedge \nu) = 1$  and  $cl(\mu \wedge \nu) = 1$ . Thus,  $[\nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu)]$ ,  $(\lambda \wedge \nu)$  and  $(\mu \wedge \nu)$  are fuzzy dense and fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . But  $cl([\nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu)] \wedge (\lambda \wedge \nu) \wedge (\mu \wedge \nu)) = 1 - (\lambda \wedge \mu) \neq 1$ . Hence  $(X, T)$  is not a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space.

The following propositions give conditions for fuzzy Volterra spaces to be fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra spaces.

**Proposition 3.8.** *If each fuzzy nowhere dense set is a fuzzy closed set in a fuzzy Volterra space  $(X, T)$ , then  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space.*

*Proof.* Let  $(\lambda_i)$ 's ( $i = 1$  to  $N$ ) be fuzzy dense and fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy residual sets,  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy first category sets in  $(X, T)$ . Now  $1 - \lambda_i = \bigvee_{j=1}^{\infty} (\mu_{ij})$ , where  $(\mu_{ij})$ 's are fuzzy nowhere dense sets in  $(X, T)$ . By hypothesis, the fuzzy nowhere dense sets  $(\mu_{ij})$ 's are fuzzy closed sets and hence  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy  $F_{\sigma}$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ . This implies that  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy  $G_{\delta}$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ . Hence  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense and fuzzy  $G_{\delta}$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy Volterra space,  $cl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ . Hence  $cl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ , where  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense and fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$  implies that  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.9.** *If a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy Volterra space and fuzzy nodec space, then  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space.*

*Proof.* Let  $(X, T)$  be a fuzzy Volterra and fuzzy nodec space and  $(\lambda_i)$ 's ( $i = 1$  to  $N$ ) be fuzzy dense and fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy residual sets,  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy first category sets in  $(X, T)$ . Now  $1 - \lambda_i = \bigvee_{j=1}^{\infty} (\mu_{ij})$ , where  $(\mu_{ij})$ 's are fuzzy nowhere dense sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy nodec space, [by definition 2.14] fuzzy nowhere dense sets  $(\mu_{ij})$ 's are fuzzy closed sets in  $(X, T)$ . Then by proposition 3.8,  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.10** ([14]). *If  $\lambda$  is a fuzzy dense and fuzzy open set in a fuzzy topological space, then  $1 - \lambda$  is a fuzzy nowhere dense set in  $(X, T)$ .*

**Proposition 3.11.** *If a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy Volterra and fuzzy submaximal space, then  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space.*

*Proof.* Let  $(X, T)$  be a fuzzy Volterra and fuzzy submaximal space and  $(\lambda_i)$ 's ( $i = 1$  to  $N$ ) be fuzzy dense and fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy submaximal space, the fuzzy dense sets  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy open sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense and fuzzy open sets in  $(X, T)$ , by theorem 3.10,  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy nowhere dense sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy open sets in  $(X, T)$ ,  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy closed sets in  $(X, T)$ . Hence the fuzzy nowhere dense sets  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy closed sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy Volterra space and the fuzzy nowhere dense sets  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy closed sets in  $(X, T)$ , by proposition 3.8,  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.12** ([14]). *If  $\lambda$  is a fuzzy nowhere dense set in a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$ , then  $1 - \lambda$  is a fuzzy dense set in  $(X, T)$ .*

**Proposition 3.13.** *If a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra and fuzzy  $D$ -Baire space, then  $\text{int}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 0$ , where  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy first category sets in  $(X, T)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $(X, T)$  be a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra and fuzzy  $D$ -Baire space and  $(\lambda_i)$ 's ( $i = 1$  to  $N$ ) be fuzzy first category sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $D$ -Baire space, the fuzzy first category sets  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy nowhere dense sets in  $(X, T)$  and hence, by theorem 3.12,  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense sets in  $(X, T)$ . Then  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense and fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space,  $cl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (1 - \lambda_i)) = 1$ . This implies that  $cl(1 - \bigvee_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$  and hence  $1 - \text{int}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ . Therefore,  $\text{int}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 0$ , where  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy first category sets in  $(X, T)$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.14.** *If  $\bigvee_{i=1}^\infty (\mu_i)$ , where  $(\mu_i)$ 's are fuzzy nowhere dense sets, is a fuzzy nowhere dense set in a fuzzy Baire space  $(X, T)$ , then  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space.*

*Proof.* Let  $(X, T)$  be a fuzzy Baire space and  $(\lambda_i)$ 's ( $i = 1$  to  $N$ ) be fuzzy dense and fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy residual sets,  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy first category sets in  $(X, T)$  and hence  $1 - \lambda_i = \bigvee_{i=1}^\infty (\mu_{ij})$ , where  $(\mu_{ij})$ 's are fuzzy nowhere dense sets in  $(X, T)$ . By hypothesis,  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy nowhere dense sets in  $(X, T)$ . Let  $(\mu_\alpha)$ 's be fuzzy nowhere dense sets in  $(X, T)$  in which the first  $N$  fuzzy nowhere dense sets be  $1 - \lambda_i$ . Since  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy Baire space,  $\text{int}(\bigvee_{\alpha=1}^\infty (\mu_\alpha)) = 0$ . But  $\text{int}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N (1 - \lambda_i)) \leq \text{int}(\bigvee_{\alpha=1}^\infty (\mu_\alpha))$  and  $\text{int}(\bigvee_{\alpha=1}^\infty (\mu_\alpha)) = 0$ . Then  $\text{int}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N (1 - \lambda_i)) \leq 0$ . That is,  $\text{int}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N (1 - \lambda_i)) = 0$ . Then  $\text{int}(1 - \bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 0$  and hence  $1 - cl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 0$ . This implies that  $cl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ , where  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense and fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . Therefore  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.15.** *If each fuzzy first category set is a fuzzy closed set in a fuzzy Baire space  $(X, T)$ , then  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space.*

*Proof.* Let  $(X, T)$  be a fuzzy Baire space and  $(\lambda_i)$ 's ( $i = 1$  to  $N$ ) be fuzzy dense and fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy residual sets,  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy first category sets in  $(X, T)$ . By hypothesis, the fuzzy first category sets  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy closed sets in  $(X, T)$  and hence  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy open sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense and fuzzy open sets in  $(X, T)$ , by theorem 3.10,  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy nowhere dense sets in  $(X, T)$ . Let  $(\mu_\alpha)$ 's be fuzzy nowhere dense sets in  $(X, T)$  in which the first  $N$  fuzzy nowhere dense sets be  $1 - \lambda_i$ . Since  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy Baire space,  $\text{int}(\bigvee_{\alpha=1}^\infty (\mu_\alpha)) = 0$ . But  $\text{int}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N (1 - \lambda_i)) \leq \text{int}(\bigvee_{\alpha=1}^\infty (\mu_\alpha))$  and  $\text{int}(\bigvee_{\alpha=1}^\infty (\mu_\alpha)) = 0$ . Then  $\text{int}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N (1 - \lambda_i)) \leq 0$ . That is,  $\text{int}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N (1 - \lambda_i)) = 0$ . Then  $\text{int}(1 - \bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 0$  and hence  $1 - cl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 0$ . This implies that  $cl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ , where  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense and fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . Therefore  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.16** ([14]). *Let  $(X, T)$  be a fuzzy topological space. Then the following are equivalent :*

- (1)  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy Baire space.
- (2)  $\text{int}(\lambda) = 0$  for every fuzzy first category set  $\lambda$  in  $(X, T)$ .
- (3)  $\text{cl}(\mu) = 1$ , for every fuzzy residual set  $\mu$  in  $(X, T)$ .

**Proposition 3.17.** *If a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space is a fuzzy Baire space, then  $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ , where  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $(\lambda_i)$ 's ( $i = 1$  to  $N$ ) be fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy Baire space, by theorem 3.16,  $\text{cl}(\lambda_i) = 1, \forall i$ . Then  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense and fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space,  $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ . Therefore,  $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ , where  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.18.** *If  $\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)$  is a fuzzy residual set in a fuzzy Baire space  $(X, T)$ , where  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy residual sets, then  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space.*

*Proof.* Let  $(\lambda_i)$ 's ( $i = 1$  to  $N$ ) be fuzzy dense and fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . Then, by hypothesis,  $\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)$  is a fuzzy residual set in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy Baire space, by theorem 3.16,  $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ . Hence  $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ , where  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense and fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . Therefore  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.19** ([20]). *In a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$ , a fuzzy set  $\lambda$  is fuzzy  $\sigma$ -nowhere dense if and only if  $1 - \lambda$  is a fuzzy dense and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -set.*

**Proposition 3.20.** *Let  $(X, T)$  be a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space. Then  $\text{int}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 0$ , where  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy  $\sigma$ -nowhere dense sets in  $(X, T)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $(X, T)$  be a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space and  $(\lambda_i)$ 's ( $i = 1$  to  $N$ ) be fuzzy  $\sigma$ -nowhere dense sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy  $\sigma$ -nowhere dense sets, by theorem 3.19,  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ . Then, by theorem 3.4,  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . Hence  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense and fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space,  $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (1 - \lambda_i)) = 1$ . Then  $\text{cl}(1 - \bigvee_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ , implies that  $1 - \text{int}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ . Therefore  $\text{int}(\bigvee_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 0$ , where  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy  $\sigma$ -nowhere dense sets in  $(X, T)$ .  $\square$

#### 4. FUZZY $\varepsilon_p$ -VOLTERRA SPACES

**Definition 4.1.** A fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  is said to be a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space if  $\text{cl}(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ , where  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-open and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ .

**Example 4.2.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ . The fuzzy sets  $\lambda, \mu$  and  $\nu$  are defined on  $X$  as follows :

$$\lambda : X \rightarrow [0, 1] \text{ is defined as } \lambda(a) = 0.8; \quad \lambda(b) = 0.6; \quad \lambda(c) = 0.7,$$

$$\mu : X \rightarrow [0, 1] \text{ is defined as } \mu(a) = 0.6; \quad \mu(b) = 0.9; \quad \mu(c) = 0.8,$$

$$\nu : X \rightarrow [0, 1] \text{ is defined as } \nu(a) = 0.7; \quad \nu(b) = 0.5; \quad \nu(c) = 0.9.$$

Clearly  $T = \{0, \lambda, \mu, \nu, \lambda \vee \mu, \lambda \vee \nu, \mu \vee \nu, \lambda \wedge \mu, \lambda \wedge \nu, \mu \wedge \nu, \lambda \vee (\mu \wedge \nu), \lambda \wedge (\mu \vee \nu), \mu \vee (\lambda \wedge \nu), \mu \wedge (\lambda \vee \nu), \nu \vee (\lambda \wedge \mu), \nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu), \lambda \vee \mu \vee \nu, \lambda \wedge \mu \wedge \nu, 1\}$  is a fuzzy topology on  $X$ .

Now the fuzzy sets  $\lambda \wedge (\mu \vee \nu)$ ,  $\lambda \wedge \mu \wedge \nu$  and  $\lambda \wedge \nu$  are fuzzy pre-open and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets in  $(X, T)$  and  $cl([\lambda \wedge (\mu \vee \nu)] \wedge (\lambda \wedge \mu \wedge \nu) \wedge (\lambda \wedge \nu)) = 1$ . Hence the fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space.

**Example 4.3.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ . The fuzzy sets  $\lambda, \mu$  and  $\nu$  are defined on  $X$  as follows :

$\lambda : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is defined as  $\lambda(a) = 0.5$ ;  $\lambda(b) = 0.4$ ;  $\lambda(c) = 0.7$ ;  $\lambda(d) = 0.8$ ,

$\mu : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is defined as  $\mu(a) = 0.5$ ;  $\mu(b) = 0.8$ ;  $\mu(c) = 0.5$ ;  $\mu(d) = 0.7$

$\nu : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is defined as  $\nu(a) = 0.5$ ;  $\nu(b) = 0.7$ ;  $\nu(c) = 0.6$ ;  $\nu(d) = 0.4$ .

Clearly  $T = \{0, \lambda, \mu, \nu, \lambda \vee \mu, \lambda \vee \nu, \mu \vee \nu, \lambda \wedge \mu, \lambda \wedge \nu, \mu \wedge \nu, \lambda \wedge (\mu \vee \nu), \mu \wedge (\lambda \vee \nu), \nu \vee (\lambda \wedge \mu), \nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu), \lambda \wedge \mu \wedge \nu, 1\}$  is a fuzzy topology on  $X$ .

Now the fuzzy sets  $\lambda = \lambda \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu) \wedge (\lambda \vee \nu)$ ,  $\lambda \wedge \mu = \mu \wedge (\mu \vee \nu) \wedge [\nu \vee (\lambda \wedge \mu)] \wedge [\lambda \wedge (\mu \vee \nu)] \wedge [\mu \wedge (\lambda \vee \nu)]$  and  $\lambda \wedge \mu \wedge \nu = \nu \wedge (\lambda \wedge \nu) \wedge (\mu \wedge \nu) \wedge [\nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu)]$  are fuzzy pre-open and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ . But  $cl[\lambda \wedge (\lambda \wedge \mu) \wedge (\lambda \wedge \mu \wedge \nu)] = 1 - (\lambda \wedge \mu \wedge \nu) \neq 1$ . Hence the fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  is not a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space.

Also,  $\lambda$  and  $\lambda \wedge \mu$  are fuzzy dense and fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$  and  $\lambda \wedge \mu \wedge \nu$  is a fuzzy residual set but not a fuzzy dense set in  $(X, T)$ . Then  $cl[\lambda \wedge (\lambda \wedge \mu)] = 1$ . Hence the fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space.

**Proposition 4.4.** If  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space, then  $int[\bigvee_{i=1}^N (\mu_i)] = 0$ , where  $(\mu_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-closed and fuzzy  $F_\sigma$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $(\mu_i)$ 's ( $i = 1$  to  $N$ ) be fuzzy pre-closed and fuzzy  $F_\sigma$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ . Then  $(1 - \mu_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-open and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space,  $cl[\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (1 - \mu_i)] = 1$ . Then  $cl[1 - \bigvee_{i=1}^N (\mu_i)] = 1$  and hence  $1 - int[\bigvee_{i=1}^N (\mu_i)] = 1$ . Therefore, we have  $int[\bigvee_{i=1}^N (\mu_i)] = 0$ , where  $(\mu_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-closed and fuzzy  $F_\sigma$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 4.5.** If  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space, then  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy Volterra space.

*Proof.* Let  $(\lambda_i)$ 's ( $i = 1$  to  $N$ ) be fuzzy dense and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets in a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense sets,  $cl(\lambda_i) = 1$ . Now  $intcl(\lambda_i) = int(1) = 1$ . Then  $\lambda_i \leq intcl(\lambda_i)$ . Hence  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-open sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space and  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-open and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ ,  $cl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ . Hence  $cl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ , where  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ . Therefore  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy Volterra space.  $\square$

**Remark 4.6.** The converse of the above proposition need not be true. That is, a fuzzy Volterra space need not be a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space. For, consider the following examples:

**Example 4.7.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ . The fuzzy sets  $\lambda, \mu$  and  $\nu$  are defined on  $X$  as follows :

$\lambda : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is defined as  $\lambda(a) = 1$ ;  $\lambda(b) = 0.2$ ;  $\lambda(c) = 0.9$ ,

$\mu : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is defined as  $\mu(a) = 0.3$ ;  $\mu(b) = 1$ ;  $\mu(c) = 0.2$ ,

$\nu : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is defined as  $\nu(a) = 0.7$ ;  $\nu(b) = 0.4$ ;  $\nu(c) = 1$ .

Clearly  $T = \{0, \lambda, \mu, \nu, \lambda \vee \mu, \lambda \vee \nu, \mu \vee \nu, \lambda \wedge \mu, \lambda \wedge \nu, \mu \wedge \nu, \lambda \vee (\mu \wedge \nu), \mu \vee (\lambda \wedge \nu), \nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu), 1\}$  is a fuzzy topology on  $X$ .

Now the fuzzy sets  $\lambda \wedge \nu = \lambda \wedge \nu \wedge (\mu \vee \nu) \wedge [\nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu)] \wedge [\mu \vee (\lambda \wedge \nu)]$  and  $\nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu) = (\lambda \vee \mu) \wedge [\lambda \vee (\mu \wedge \nu)] \wedge (\lambda \vee \nu)$  are fuzzy dense and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ . Then  $cl(\lambda \wedge \nu) = 1$  and  $cl[\nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu)] = 1$ . Also,  $cl(\lambda \wedge \nu) \wedge [\nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu)] = 1$ . Hence  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy Volterra space.

Also, the fuzzy sets  $\lambda \wedge \nu = \lambda \wedge \nu \wedge (\mu \vee \nu) \wedge [\nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu)] \wedge [\mu \vee (\lambda \wedge \nu)]$ ,  $\nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu) = (\lambda \vee \mu) \wedge [\lambda \vee (\mu \wedge \nu)] \wedge (\lambda \vee \nu)$  and  $\lambda \wedge \mu = \lambda \wedge \mu \wedge \nu \wedge (\lambda \wedge \mu) \wedge (\lambda \wedge \nu) \wedge (\mu \wedge \nu)$  are fuzzy pre-open and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ . But  $cl[(\lambda \wedge \nu) \wedge [\nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu)] \wedge (\lambda \wedge \mu)] \neq 1$ . Hence  $(X, T)$  is not a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space.

**Example 4.8.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ . The fuzzy sets  $\lambda, \mu$  and  $\nu$  are defined on  $X$  as follows :

$\lambda : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is defined as  $\lambda(a) = 0.8; \lambda(b) = 0.5; \lambda(c) = 0.7$ ,

$\mu : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is defined as  $\mu(a) = 0.6; \mu(b) = 0.9; \mu(c) = 0.4$ ,

$\nu : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is defined as  $\nu(a) = 0.4; \nu(b) = 0.7; \nu(c) = 0.8$ .

Clearly  $T = \{0, \lambda, \mu, \nu, \lambda \vee \mu, \lambda \vee \nu, \mu \vee \nu, \lambda \wedge \mu, \lambda \wedge \nu, \mu \wedge \nu, \lambda \vee (\mu \wedge \nu), \lambda \wedge (\mu \vee \nu), \mu \vee (\lambda \wedge \nu), \nu \vee (\lambda \wedge \mu), \nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu), \lambda \vee \mu \vee \nu, \lambda \wedge \mu \wedge \nu, 1\}$  is a fuzzy topology on  $X$ .

Now the fuzzy sets  $\alpha = \lambda \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu) \wedge (\mu \wedge \nu) \wedge [\mu \vee (\lambda \wedge \nu)] \wedge [\lambda \wedge (\mu \vee \nu)]$  and  $\beta = \nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \nu) \wedge (\mu \vee \nu) \wedge [\nu \vee (\lambda \wedge \mu)] \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu \vee \nu)$  are fuzzy dense and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ . Also,  $cl(\alpha \wedge \beta) = 1$ . Hence the fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy Volterra space.

Also, the fuzzy sets  $\lambda \wedge \nu = \lambda \wedge (\lambda \wedge \nu) \wedge [\mu \vee (\lambda \wedge \nu)] \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu)$ ,  $\nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu) = \nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \nu) \wedge (\mu \vee \nu) \wedge [\nu \vee (\lambda \wedge \mu)] \wedge [\lambda \vee (\mu \wedge \nu)]$  and  $\lambda \wedge \mu \wedge \nu = \mu \wedge (\lambda \wedge \mu) \wedge (\mu \wedge \nu)$  are fuzzy pre-open and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ . But  $cl[(\lambda \wedge \nu) \wedge [\nu \wedge (\lambda \vee \mu)] \wedge (\lambda \wedge \mu \wedge \nu)] = 1 - (\lambda \wedge \mu) \neq 1$ . Hence  $(X, T)$  is not a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space.

**Theorem 4.9 ([3]).** Let  $\lambda$  be a fuzzy set of a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$ . Then  $int(\lambda) \leq pint(\lambda) \leq \lambda \leq pcl(\lambda) \leq cl(\lambda)$ .

**Proposition 4.10.** If  $pint(\bigvee_{i=1}^N (\mu_i)) = 0$ , where  $(\mu_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-closed sets in a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$ , then  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space.

*Proof.* Let  $(\lambda_i)$ 's ( $i = 1$  to  $N$ ) be fuzzy pre-open and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-open sets,  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-closed sets in  $(X, T)$ . By hypothesis,  $pint(\bigvee_{i=1}^N (1 - \lambda_i)) = 0$ . This implies that  $1 - pcl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 0$  and hence  $pcl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ . By theorem 4.9,  $pcl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) \leq cl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i))$  implies that  $1 \leq cl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i))$ . That is,  $cl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ . Therefore  $cl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ , where  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-open and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ , implies that  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.11.** If  $pcl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ , where  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-open sets in a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$ , then  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space.

*Proof.* Suppose that  $pcl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ , where  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-open sets in a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$ . Then  $1 - pcl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 0$  implies that  $pint(1 - \bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 0$ . Hence  $pint(\bigvee_{i=1}^N (1 - \lambda_i)) = 0$ . Since  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-open sets,  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-closed sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $pint(\bigvee_{i=1}^N (1 - \lambda_i)) = 0$ , where  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-closed sets in  $(X, T)$ , by proposition 4.10,  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.12** ([3]). *Let  $\lambda$  be a fuzzy set of a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$ . Then*

- (1)  $pcl(\lambda) \geq \lambda \vee cl\ int(\lambda)$ .
- (2)  $pint(\lambda) \leq \lambda \wedge int\ cl(\lambda)$ .

**Proposition 4.13.** *If  $\lambda = \bigvee_{i=1}^N (\mu_i)$ , where  $(\mu_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-closed sets, is a fuzzy nowhere dense set in a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$ , then  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space.*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $\lambda = \bigvee_{i=1}^N (\mu_i)$ , where  $(\mu_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-closed sets and  $\lambda$  is a fuzzy nowhere dense set in  $(X, T)$ . Then  $intcl(\lambda) = 0$ . By theorem 4.12,  $pint(\lambda) \leq \lambda \wedge intcl(\lambda)$ . This implies that  $pint(\lambda) \leq \lambda \wedge 0 = 0$ . Hence  $pint(\lambda) = 0$ . Therefore  $pint(\bigvee_{i=1}^N (\mu_i)) = 0$ , where  $(\mu_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-closed sets in a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$ . Hence, by proposition 4.10,  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.14.** *If  $\lambda = \bigvee_{i=1}^N (\mu_i)$ , where  $(\mu_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-closed sets, is a fuzzy pre-nowhere dense set in a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$ , then  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space.*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $\lambda = \bigvee_{i=1}^N (\mu_i)$ , where  $(\mu_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-closed sets and  $\lambda$  is a fuzzy pre-nowhere dense set in  $(X, T)$ . Then  $pintpcl(\lambda) = 0$ . Now  $\lambda \leq pcl(\lambda)$  implies that  $pint(\lambda) \leq pint\ pcl(\lambda)$  and  $pintpcl(\lambda) = 0$  implies that  $pint(\lambda) = 0$ . Then  $pint(\bigvee_{i=1}^N (\mu_i)) = 0$ , where  $(\mu_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-closed sets in a fuzzy topological space  $(X, T)$ . Hence, by proposition 4.10,  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space.  $\square$

*The following proposition gives a condition, for a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space, to be a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space.*

**Proposition 4.15.** *If each fuzzy pre-closed set is a fuzzy nowhere dense set in a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space  $(X, T)$ , then  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space.*

*Proof.* Let  $(X, T)$  be a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space and  $(\lambda_i)$ 's ( $i = 1$  to  $N$ ) be fuzzy pre-open and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-open sets,  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-closed sets in  $(X, T)$ . By hypothesis, the fuzzy pre-closed sets  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy nowhere dense sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy nowhere dense sets, by theorem 3.12,  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense sets in  $(X, T)$ . Hence  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ . Then, by theorem 3.4,  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . Therefore  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense and fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(X, T)$  is a  $\varepsilon_r$ -fuzzy Volterra space,  $cl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ . Hence  $cl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ , where  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-open and fuzzy  $G_\delta$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ , implies that  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space.  $\square$

*The following propositions yield the conditions for fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra spaces to be fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra spaces.*

**Proposition 4.16.** *If a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy submaximal space, then  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space.*

*Proof.* Let  $(\lambda_i)$ 's ( $i = 1$  to  $N$ ) be fuzzy dense and fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense sets in  $(X, T)$ ,  $cl(\lambda_i) = 1$ . Now  $intcl(\lambda_i) = int(1) = 1$ . Then  $\lambda_i \leq intcl(\lambda_i)$ . Hence  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-open sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(\lambda_i)$ 's

are fuzzy residual sets implies that  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy first category sets in  $(X, T)$ . Therefore  $1 - \lambda_i = \bigvee_{j=1}^{\infty} (\mu_{ij})$ , where  $(\mu_{ij})$ 's are fuzzy nowhere dense sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(\mu_{ij})$ 's are fuzzy nowhere dense sets, by theorem 3.12,  $(1 - \mu_{ij})$ 's are fuzzy dense sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy submaximal space, the fuzzy dense sets  $(1 - \mu_{ij})$ 's are fuzzy open sets in  $(X, T)$ . Now  $\lambda_i = 1 - (1 - \lambda_i) = 1 - (\bigvee_{j=1}^{\infty} (\mu_{ij})) = \bigwedge_{j=1}^{\infty} (1 - \mu_{ij})$ . Since  $(1 - \mu_{ij})$ 's are fuzzy open sets,  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy  $G_{\delta}$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ . Hence  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-open and fuzzy  $G_{\delta}$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space,  $cl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ . Hence,  $cl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ , where  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense and fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ , implies that  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.17.** *If each fuzzy nowhere dense set is a fuzzy closed set in a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space  $(X, T)$ , then  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space.*

*Proof.* Let  $(\lambda_i)$ 's ( $i = 1$  to  $N$ ) be fuzzy dense and fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense sets in  $(X, T)$ ,  $cl(\lambda_i) = 1$ . Now  $intcl(\lambda_i) = int(1) = 1$ . Then  $\lambda_i \leq intcl(\lambda_i)$ . Hence  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-open sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy residual sets implies that  $(1 - \lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy first category sets in  $(X, T)$ . Therefore  $1 - \lambda_i = \bigvee_{j=1}^{\infty} (\mu_{ij})$ , where  $(\mu_{ij})$ 's are fuzzy nowhere dense sets in  $(X, T)$ . By hypothesis, the fuzzy nowhere dense sets  $(\mu_{ij})$ 's are fuzzy closed sets in  $(X, T)$ . Then  $(1 - \mu_{ij})$ 's are fuzzy open sets in  $(X, T)$ . Now  $\lambda_i = 1 - (1 - \lambda_i) = 1 - (\bigvee_{j=1}^{\infty} (\mu_{ij})) = \bigwedge_{j=1}^{\infty} (1 - \mu_{ij})$ . Since  $(1 - \mu_{ij})$ 's are fuzzy open sets,  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy  $G_{\delta}$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ . Hence  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy pre-open and fuzzy  $G_{\delta}$ -sets in  $(X, T)$ . Since  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space,  $cl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ . Hence  $cl(\bigwedge_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i)) = 1$ , where  $(\lambda_i)$ 's are fuzzy dense and fuzzy residual sets in  $(X, T)$ , implies that  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.18.** *If a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy nodec space, then  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space.*

*Proof.* Let  $(X, T)$  be a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space and a fuzzy nodec space. Since  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy nodec space, each fuzzy nowhere dense set is a fuzzy closed set in  $(X, T)$ . Hence each fuzzy nowhere dense set is a fuzzy closed set in the fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra space  $(X, T)$ . Therefore, by proposition 4.17,  $(X, T)$  is a fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra space.  $\square$

## 5. CONCLUSIONS

The concepts of fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra and fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra spaces are introduced and studied in this paper. The inter relations between fuzzy  $\varepsilon_r$ -Volterra spaces and fuzzy  $\varepsilon_p$ -Volterra spaces are also investigated.

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