

## Soft nearly $C$ -compactness in fuzzy soft topological spaces

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper, we introduce fuzzy soft nearly  $C$ -compactness in fuzzy soft topological spaces and some properties of this space. Also we introduce soft almost regular, soft mildly normal and discuss some of their properties.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

There are many theories like theory of probability, theory of fuzzy sets, theory of intuitionistic fuzzy sets, theory of rough sets etc. which can be considered as mathematical tools for dealing with uncertain data, obtained in various fields of engineering, physics, computer science, economics, social science, medical science, and of many other diverse fields. But all these theories have their own difficulties. The most appropriate theory for dealing with uncertainties is the theory of fuzzy sets, introduced by L.A. Zadeh [24] in 1965. This theory brought a paradigmatic change in mathematics. But there exists difficulty, how to set the membership function in each particular case. The theory of intuitionistic fuzzy sets is a more generalized concept than the theory of fuzzy sets, but this theory has the same difficulties. All the above mentioned theories are successful to some extent in dealing with problems arising due to vagueness present in the real world. But there are also cases where these theories failed to give satisfactory results, possibly due to inadequacy of the parameterization tool in them. As a necessary supplement to the existing mathematical tools for handling uncertainty, in 1999, Molodtsov [11] initiated the theory of soft sets as a new mathematical tool to deal with uncertainties while modelling the problems in engineering, physics, computer science, economics, social sciences, and medical sciences. In [12], Molodtsov et al. successfully applied soft sets in directions such

as smoothness of functions, game theory, operations research, Riemann integration, Perron integration, probability, and theory of measurement. Maji et al. [7] gave the first practical application of soft sets in decision-making problems. In 2003, Maji et al. [8] defined and studied several basic notions of the soft set theory. Also Çağman et al. [1] studied several basic notions of the soft set theory. In 2005, Pei and Miao [18] and Chen [4] improved the work of Maji et al. [7, 8]. Some properties of soft topology studied by Hussai and Ahmed [5] and Tanay et al. [22]. In 1968, C. L. Chang [3] introduced fuzzy topological space and in 2011, subsequently Çağman et al. [2] and Shabir et al. [20] introduced fuzzy soft topological spaces and they defined basic notions of soft topological spaces such as soft open and closed sets, soft subspace, soft closure, soft nbd of a point, soft  $T_i$  spaces,  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ , soft regular spaces, and soft normal spaces and established their several properties. More details on soft topological spaces we refer to [10, 16, 23]. In 2012, Mahanta et al. [6], Neog et al. [14] and Ray et al. [19] introduced fuzzy soft topological spaces in different direction.

The nearly  $C$ -compact spaces introduced by Sharma et al. [21]. In [17] Palanichetty and Balasubramanian introduced fuzzy nearly  $C$ -compactness in fuzzy topological spaces. In this paper, we define and study soft nearly  $C$ -compactness in fuzzy soft topological spaces. We establish some interesting properties of this notion.

## 2. PRELIMINARY RESULTS

In this section we recall some basic concepts and definitions regarding fuzzy soft sets and fuzzy soft topological space.

**Definition 2.1** ([9]). Let  $U$  be an initial universe and  $F$  be a set of parameters. Let  $\tilde{P}(U)$  denote the power set of  $U$  and  $A$  be a non-empty subset of  $F$ . A pair  $(F, A)$  is called a fuzzy soft set over  $U$  where  $F : A \rightarrow \tilde{P}(U)$  is a mapping from  $A$  into  $\tilde{P}(U)$ .

**Definition 2.2** ([11]).  $F_E$  is called a soft set over  $U$  if and only if  $F$  is a mapping of  $E$  into the set of all subsets of the set  $U$ .

In other words, the soft set is a parameterized family of subsets of the set  $U$ . Every set  $F(\epsilon)$ ,  $\epsilon \in E$ , from this family may be considered as the set of  $\epsilon$ -elements of the soft set  $F_E$ , or as the set of  $\epsilon$ -approximate elements of the soft set.

**Definition 2.3** ([19]). A fuzzy soft topology  $\tau$  on  $(U, E)$  is a family of fuzzy soft sets over  $(U, E)$  satisfying the following properties:

- (i)  $\tilde{\phi}, \tilde{E} \in \tau$ ,
- (ii) if  $F_A, G_B \in \tau$ , then  $F_A \tilde{\cap} G_B \in \tau$ ,
- (iii) if  $F_{A_\alpha} \in \tau$ , for all  $\alpha \in \Delta$  an index set, then  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Delta} F_{A_\alpha} \in \tau$ .

**Definition 2.4** ([22]). A fuzzy soft set  $F_A$  in a fuzzy soft topological space  $(U, E, \tau)$  is a neighborhood of a fuzzy soft set  $G_B$  if and only if there exists an open fuzzy soft set  $H_C$  i.e.  $H_C \in \tau$  such that  $G_B \tilde{\subseteq} H_C \tilde{\subseteq} F_A$ .

**Definition 2.5** ([22]). Let  $(U, E, \tau_1)$  and  $(U, E, \tau_2)$  be two fuzzy soft topological spaces. If each  $F_A \in \tau_1$  is in  $\tau_2$ , then  $\tau_2$  is called fuzzy soft finer than  $\tau_1$ , or  $\tau_1$  is fuzzy soft coarser than  $\tau_2$ .

**Definition 2.6** ([14]). The fuzzy soft set  $F_A$  over  $(U, E)$  is called a fuzzy soft point in  $(U, E)$  denoted by  $e(F_A)$ , if for the element  $e \in A$ ,  $F(e) \neq \bar{0}$  and  $F(e') = \bar{0}$  for all  $e' \in A - \{e\}$ .

**Definition 2.7** ([14]). Let  $(U, E, \tau)$  be a fuzzy soft topological space. Let  $F_A$  be a fuzzy soft set over  $(U, E)$ . The fuzzy soft closure of  $F_A$  is defined as the intersection of all fuzzy soft closed sets which contained  $F_A$  and is denoted by  $cl(F_A)$  or  $\bar{F}_A$ . We write

$$cl(F_A) = \bigcap \{G_B : G_B \text{ is fuzzy soft closed and } F_A \tilde{\subseteq} G_B\}.$$

**Definition 2.8** ([14]). Let  $(U, E, \tau)$  be a fuzzy soft topological space. Let  $F_A$  be a fuzzy soft set over  $(U, E)$ . The fuzzy soft interior of  $F_A$  is defined as the union of all fuzzy soft open sets which contained  $F_A$  and is denoted by  $int(F_A)$  or  $F_A^\circ$ . We write

$$int(F_A) = \bigcup \{G_B : G_B \text{ is fuzzy soft open and } G_B \tilde{\subseteq} F_A\}.$$

**Definition 2.9** ([14]). A fuzzy soft set  $F_A$  in a fuzzy soft topological space  $(U, E, \tau)$  is a fuzzy soft neighborhood of the fuzzy soft point  $e(G_B) \in (U, E)$  if there is an open fuzzy soft set  $H_C$  such that  $e(G_B) \in H_C \tilde{\subseteq} F_A$ .

**Definition 2.10** ([13]). A fuzzy soft set  $F_A$  in a fuzzy soft topological space  $(U, E, \tau)$  is called a fuzzy soft regularly open set if and only if  $int(cl(F_A)) = F_A$ .

**Definition 2.11** ([13]). A fuzzy soft set  $F_A$  in a fuzzy soft topological space  $(U, E, \tau)$  is called a fuzzy soft regularly closed set if and only if  $cl(int(F_A)) = F_A$ .

**Definition 2.12** ([15]). A family  $\psi$  of fuzzy soft sets is a cover of a fuzzy soft set  $F_A$  if  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} \bigcup_{i=1}^n \{F_{A_i}; F_{A_i} \tilde{\subseteq} \psi\}$ . It is a fuzzy soft open cover if each member of  $\psi$  is a fuzzy soft open set. A subcover of  $\psi$  is a subfamily of  $\psi$  which is also a cover.

**Definition 2.13** ([15]). A fuzzy soft set  $F_A$  in a fuzzy soft topological space  $(U, E, \tau)$  is called a fuzzy soft compact if each fuzzy soft open cover of  $F_A$  has a finite subcover. Also fuzzy soft topological space  $(U, E, \tau)$  is called soft compact if each fuzzy soft open cover of  $\tilde{E}$  has a finite subcover.

### 3. FUZZY SOFT NEARLY $C$ -COMPACTNESS IN FUZZY SOFT TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $(U, E, \tau)$  be fuzzy soft topological space. Then  $(U, E, \tau)$  is said to be fuzzy soft nearly  $C$ -compact if given a fuzzy soft regular closed set  $F_A$  on  $(U, E)$  and an fuzzy soft open cover  $\psi$  of  $F_A$  there exists a finite subfamily  $\{F_{A_i}; i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  of  $\psi$  such that  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} \bigcup_{i=1}^n cl(F_{A_i})$ .

**Proposition 3.2.** In a fuzzy soft topological space  $(U, E, \tau)$  the following are equivalent:

- (1)  $U$  is fuzzy soft nearly  $C$ -compact,
- (2) For each fuzzy soft regularly closed set  $F_A$  of  $(U, E)$  and each fuzzy soft regular open cover  $\psi$  of  $F_A$ , there exists a finite subfamily  $\{F_{A_i}; i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  of  $\psi$  such that  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} \bigcup_{i=1}^n cl(F_{A_i})$ .
- (3) For each fuzzy soft regularly closed set  $F_A$  of  $(U, E)$  and for each family  $\xi = \{G_{A_\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in \Delta}$  of non empty fuzzy soft regularly closed sets such that  $\bigcap \xi \cap F_A = \tilde{\phi}$ , there

exists a finite subfamily  $\{G_{A_i}; i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  of  $\xi$  such that  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{int}(G_{A_i}) \cap F_A = \tilde{\phi}$ .

(4) For each fuzzy soft regularly closed set  $F_A$  of  $(U, E)$  and for each family  $\xi = \{G_{A_\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in \Delta}$  of fuzzy soft regularly closed sets, if each finite subfamily  $\{G_{A_i}; i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  of  $\xi$  we have  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{int}(G_{A_i}) \cap F_A \neq \tilde{\phi}$  then  $\bigcap \xi \cap F_A \neq \tilde{\phi}$ .

*Proof.* (1) $\Rightarrow$ (2): Obvious.

(2) $\Rightarrow$ (1): Suppose (2) holds. Let  $\psi = \{F_{A_i}; i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  be fuzzy soft open cover of  $F_A$ . Then  $\text{cl}(\text{int}(F_{A_i}))$  is a fuzzy soft regular open cover of  $F_A$  and there exists a finite subfamily  $\{\text{cl}(\text{int}(F_{A_i})); i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  such that

$$F_A \tilde{\subseteq} \bigcup_{i=1}^n \text{cl}(\text{int}(F_{A_i})).$$

Thus for each  $i$ ,  $\text{cl}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(F_{A_i}))) = \text{cl}(F_{A_i})$ . So  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} \text{cl}(F_{A_i})$ . Hence  $U$  is nearly soft  $C$ -compact.

(2) $\Rightarrow$ (3): Let  $\xi = \{G_{A_\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in \Delta}$  be a family of fuzzy soft regularly closed sets of the soft topological space  $(U, E, \tau)$  such that  $\bigcap \xi \cap F_A = \tilde{\phi}$  for each soft regularly closed set  $F_A$  of  $(U, E)$ . Then  $\zeta = \{G_{A_\alpha}^c\}_{\alpha \in \Delta}$  is a family of soft closed sets of  $(U, E)$  covering the regularly soft closed set  $F_A$ . Thus there exists a finite subfamily  $\{F_{A_i} = G_{A_i}^c; i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  of  $\zeta$  such that

$$F_A \tilde{\subseteq} \bigcup_{i=1}^n \text{cl}(F_{A_i}).$$

Now for each  $i$ , we have

$$\text{int}(G_{A_i}) = \text{int}(F_{A_i}^c) = \text{int}(\tilde{E} - F_{A_i}) = \tilde{E} - \text{cl}(\tilde{E} - (\tilde{E} - F_{A_i})) = \tilde{E} - \text{cl}(F_{A_i}).$$

So  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{int}(G_{A_i}) = \tilde{E} - \bigcup \text{cl}F_{A_i} \tilde{\subseteq} \tilde{E} - F_A$ , i.e.,  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{int}(G_{A_i}) \cap F_A = \tilde{\phi}$ .

(3) $\Rightarrow$ (2): Let  $\psi = \{F_{A_i}; i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  be a fuzzy soft regular open cover of the soft regularly closed set  $F_A$  of the soft topological space  $(U, E, \tau)$ . Since  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} \bigcup_{i=1}^n F_{A_i}$ , we will shows that  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n F_{A_i}^c \cap F_A = \tilde{\phi}$ . Since  $F_{A_i}^c$  is a family of soft regularly closed sets satisfies (3), there exists a finite subfamily  $F_{A_i}^c$  such that

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{int}(F_{A_i}^c) = \tilde{\phi}.$$

Thus  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} \bigcup_{i=1}^n \{\tilde{E} - \text{int}(\tilde{E} - F_{A_i})\}$ . Now for each  $i$ ,

$$\text{int}(\tilde{E} - F_{A_i}) = \tilde{E} - \text{cl}(\tilde{E} - (\tilde{E} - F_{A_i})) = \tilde{E} - \text{cl}(F_{A_i}).$$

So  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} \bigcup_{i=1}^n \text{cl}(F_{A_i})$ .

(3) $\Leftrightarrow$ (4): It is Obvious. □

**Proposition 3.3.** Every soft regularly closed subset of a nearly  $C$ -compact soft space  $(U, E, \tau)$  is nearly  $C$ -compact.

*Proof.* Obvious □

**Proposition 3.4.** For any fuzzy soft topological space  $(U, E, \tau)$  the following are equivalent:

- (1)  $U$  is fuzzy soft nearly  $C$ -compact,
- (2) if  $F_A$  is a proper fuzzy soft regular closed set and  $\varphi$  is a family of fuzzy soft regular closed sets of  $(U, E)$  such that  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} (\tilde{E} - \bigcap_{i=1}^n F_{A_i})$  then there exists a finite number of elements  $\varphi$  say  $F_{A_1}, F_{A_2}, \dots, F_{A_n}$  such that  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} (\tilde{E} - \bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{int}(F_{A_i}))$ .

*Proof.* (1) $\Rightarrow$ (2): Let  $U$  be fuzzy soft nearly  $C$ -compact and let  $F_A$  be a proper fuzzy soft regular closed set. Let  $\varphi$  be a family of fuzzy soft regular closed sets of  $(U, E)$  such that  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} (\tilde{E} - \bigcap_{i=1}^n F_{A_i}) = \bigcup_{i=1}^n F_{A_i}^c$ . Then clearly  $\zeta = \{F_{A_i}^c\}_{i \in \Delta}$  is a fuzzy soft regular open cover of  $F_A$ . Thus from (1), there exists a finite number of elements (say)  $F_{A_1}, F_{A_2}, \dots, F_{A_n}$  such that  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} \bigcup_{i=1}^n \text{cl}(F_{A_i})$ . So  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{int}(F_{A_i}) = (\tilde{E} - \bigcup_{i=1}^n \text{cl}(F_{A_i})) \tilde{\subseteq} (\tilde{E} - F_A)$ . Hence  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} (\tilde{E} - \bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{int}(F_{A_i}))$ .

(2) $\Rightarrow$ (1) Let  $\varphi$  be a family of fuzzy soft regular open sets of  $(U, E)$  such that  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} \bigcap_{i=1}^n (F_{A_i})$ . Then  $\zeta = \{F_{A_i}^c; i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  is a family of fuzzy soft regular closed sets of  $(U, E)$  such that

$$F_A \tilde{\subseteq} \bigcup_{i=1}^n (F_{A_i}) = \bigcup_{i=1}^n [\tilde{E} - F_{A_i}^c] = \tilde{E} - \bigcap_{i=1}^n F_{A_i}^c.$$

Thus by (2), there exists a finite number of elements, say  $F_{A_1}^c, F_{A_2}^c, \dots, F_{A_n}^c$  such that

$$F_A \tilde{\subseteq} (\tilde{E} - \bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{int}(F_{A_i}^c)) = \bigcup_{i=1}^n [\tilde{E} - \text{int}(F_{A_i}^c)] = \bigcup_{i=1}^n \text{cl}(F_{A_i}).$$

This completes the proof of the result. □

**Definition 3.5.** Let  $(U, E, \tau)$  be a fuzzy soft topological space. This soft space is said to be a soft almost regular if for every soft regularly closed set  $F_A$  and a soft point  $e(X) \notin F_A$  there exist soft open sets  $L_A$  and  $M_A$  such that  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} L_A$ ,  $e(X) \tilde{\in} M_A$  and  $L_A \tilde{\cap} M_A = \tilde{\phi}$ . or equivalently, for every soft regularly closed set  $F_A$  and each soft point  $e(X) \notin F_A$ , there exist soft open sets  $L_A$  and  $M_A$  such that  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} M_A$ ,  $e(X) \tilde{\in} L_A$  and  $\text{cl}(L_A) \tilde{\cap} \text{cl}(M_A) = \tilde{\phi}$ .

**Definition 3.6.** Let  $(U, E, \tau)$  be a fuzzy soft topological space. This soft space is said to be a soft mildly normal if for every pair of disjoint soft regularly closed sets  $P_A$  and  $Q_A$  of  $(U, E, \tau)$  there exist disjoint soft open sets  $L_A$  and  $M_A$  such that  $P_A \tilde{\subseteq} L_A$ ,  $Q_A \tilde{\subseteq} M_A$ .

**Proposition 3.7.** In a fuzzy soft topological  $(U, E, \tau)$ , every soft almost regular, soft nearly  $C$ -compact space is mildly normal.

*Proof.* Let  $(U, E, \tau)$  be a fuzzy soft topological space. Let  $F_A$  and  $G_A$  be disjoint soft regularly closed subsets of a soft almost regular and soft nearly  $C$ -compact space of  $(U, E, \tau)$ . Since  $(U, E, \tau)$  is soft almost regular therefore for each  $e(X) \tilde{\in} F_A$  there exist soft open sets  $L_A$  and  $M_A$  such that  $e(X) \tilde{\in} L_A^*$ ,  $G_A \tilde{\subseteq} M_A^*$  and  $\text{cl}(L_A^*) \tilde{\cap} \text{cl}(M_A^*) = \tilde{\phi}$ . Thus the family  $\{L_A^* : e(X) \tilde{\in} F_A\}$  is an open covering of the soft regularly closed set  $F_A$ . Since  $(U, E, \tau)$  is soft nearly  $C$ -compact then there exists a finite soft subfamily  $\{L_{A_i}; i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  such that  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} \bigcup_{i=1}^n \text{cl}(L_{A_i})$ .

Suppose  $M = \bigcap_{i=1}^n M_{A_i}$  and  $N = (\tilde{E} - \bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{cl}(M_{A_i}))$ . Then  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} \bigcup_{i=1}^n \text{cl}(L_{A_i}) \tilde{\subseteq} (\tilde{E} - \bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{cl}(M_{A_i})) = N$ . Thus  $G_A \tilde{\subseteq} M$  and  $M \tilde{\cap} N = \tilde{\phi}$ . So  $(U, E, \tau)$  is soft mildly normal.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.8.** *Let  $(U, E, \tau)$  be fuzzy soft topological space. If  $F_A$  is a soft regularly closed subset of a soft almost regular, soft nearly  $C$ -compact spaces of  $(U, E, \tau)$  and  $G_A$  is a soft regularly open set containing  $F_A$ . Then there exists a soft regular open set  $L_A$  such that  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} L_A \tilde{\subseteq} \text{cl}(L_A) \tilde{\subseteq} G_A$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $G_A$  is a soft regularly open set,  $G_A^c$  is soft regularly closed set and  $F_A \tilde{\cap} G_A^c = \tilde{\phi}$ . Then by Proposition 3.7, there exist soft open sets  $P_A$  and  $Q_A$  such that  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} P_A, G_A^c \tilde{\subseteq} Q_A$  and  $P_A \tilde{\cap} Q_A = \tilde{\phi}$ . Also  $\text{cl}(P_A) \tilde{\cap} Q_A = \tilde{\phi}$ . Thus  $\text{cl}(P_A) \tilde{\subseteq} Q_A^c \tilde{\subseteq} G_A$ . So  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} P_A \tilde{\subseteq} \text{cl}(P_A) \tilde{\subseteq} G_A$ . Hence  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} P_A \tilde{\subseteq} \text{cl}(\text{int}(P_A)) \tilde{\subseteq} \text{cl}(P_A) \tilde{\subseteq} G_A$ .

Suppose  $\text{cl}(\text{int}(P_A)) = L_A$ . Then  $L_A$  is soft regularly open and  $\text{cl}(\text{cl}(\text{int}(P_A))) = \text{cl}(P_A) = \text{cl}(L_A)$ . Thus  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} L_A \tilde{\subseteq} \text{cl}(L_A) \tilde{\subseteq} G_A$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.9.** *Let  $(U, E, \tau)$  be fuzzy soft topological space. Let  $F_A$  and  $G_A$  be two disjoint soft regularly closed subsets of a soft almost regular, soft nearly  $C$ -compact space  $(U, E, \tau)$ . Then there exist soft open sets  $L_A$  and  $M_A$  such that  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} L_A, G_A \tilde{\subseteq} M_A$  and  $\text{cl}(L_A) \tilde{\cap} \text{cl}(M_A) = \tilde{\phi}$ .*

*Proof.* Here  $G_A^c$  is a soft regularly open set containing the soft regularly closed set  $F_A$ . Then by proposition 3.8, there exists a soft regularly open set  $P_A$  such that  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} P_A \tilde{\subseteq} \text{cl}(P_A) \tilde{\subseteq} G_A^c$ . Since  $P_A$  is a soft regularly open set containing the soft regularly closed set  $F_A$ , there exists a soft regularly open set  $Q_A$  such that

$$F_A \tilde{\subseteq} Q_A \tilde{\subseteq} \text{cl}(Q_A) \tilde{\subseteq} P_A.$$

If  $Q_A = L_A$  and  $(\text{Cl}(P_A))^c = M_A$ , then clearly  $F_A \tilde{\subseteq} L_A, G_A \tilde{\subseteq} M_A$  and  $\text{cl}(L_A) \tilde{\cap} \text{cl}(M_A) = \tilde{\phi}$ .  $\square$

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The authors declare that they have no competing interests.

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