



## Separation axioms in $(L, M)$ -fuzzy topology $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convexity spaces

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper, we define  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex sets and  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed neighbourhoods in an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy topology  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convexity spaces. Also,  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy neighbourhood separation properties  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_i$  were studied where  $i = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$ . In addition, we also study the invariance or otherwise of these separation properties under subspace and product.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Mathematicians worked to find a mathematical expression of uncertainty in order to solve various real-life problems. Zadeh [1], Molodtsov [2] and Lee et al [3] presented the fuzzy sets, soft sets and octahedron sets as different mathematical models for this mathematical expression, which were applied in various fields of mathematics, engineering and medicine, etc. Later, some researchers (See, for example, [4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]) introduced and studied these models.

One of the important branches of mathematics that has been accepted which it has been studied by researchers recent years is the abstract convexity theory [11], [12] which plays an important role in various branches of mathematics. It deals with set-theoretic structures which satisfies axioms similar to that usual convex sets fulfill. Here, by "usual convex sets", we mean convex sets in real linear spaces. Also, many different mathematical research fields applied abstract convexity theory, such as topological spaces, lattices, metric spaces and graphs (See, for example, [13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19]). The concept of convex structures as a topology-like

structure, it can be also treated as a special kind of spatial structures and some topology-like properties.

As we all know fuzzy mathematics has been applied in many different fields of mathematics as well and through the theory of fuzzy sets was applied fuzzy mathematics in convex structures, Rosa has worked to generalize the convex structure, where he introduced the idea of a fuzzy convex structure in [20, 21] which is called an I-convex structure. Also, Rosa studied a fuzzy topology together with a fuzzy convexity on the same underlying set  $X$ , and introduced fuzzy topology fuzzy convexity spaces and the notion of fuzzy local convexity. By framework, which proposed in [22], Li [23] presented a categorical approach to enrich  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convex structures, Xiu et al [24] presented a degree approach to study the relationship between  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convex structures and  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy closure systems and Wu and Li [25] introduced  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy domain finiteness,  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy restricted hull spaces and several characterizations of the category  $(L, M)$ -CS of  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convex spaces. Recently, there has been significant research on fuzzy convex structures (See [26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35]).

The main contributions of the present paper are to give investigations on an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy topology  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convexity spaces where we define an  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy neighbourhood separation properties  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_i$  with respect to  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy topology  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convexity space where  $i = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$ . Also, We study their properties and discuss the relationships between these concepts.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

Throughout this paper, let  $X$  be a non-empty set, both  $L$  and  $M$  be completely distributive lattices with order reversing involution  $'$  where  $\perp_M$  ( $\perp_L$ ) and  $\top_M$  ( $\top_L$ ) denote the least and the greatest elements in  $M$  ( $L$ ) respectively, and  $M_{\perp_M} = M - \{\perp_M\}$  ( $L_{\perp_L} = L - \{\perp_L\}$ ). An  $L$ -fuzzy subset of  $X$  is a mapping  $\mu : X \rightarrow L$  and the family  $L^X$  denoted the set of all fuzzy subsets of a given  $X$  [5]. The least and the greatest elements in  $L^X$  are denoted by  $\chi_{\emptyset}$  and  $\chi_X$ , respectively. For each  $\alpha \in L$ , let  $\underline{\alpha}$  denote the constant  $L$ -fuzzy subset of  $X$  with the value  $\alpha$ . The complementation of a fuzzy subset are defined as  $\mu'(x) = (\mu(x))'$  for all  $x \in X$ , (e.g.  $\mu'(x) = 1 - \mu(x)$  in the case of  $L = [0, 1]$ ). Let  $X = \prod_{i \in \Gamma} X_i$  and  $\mu_i \in L^{X_i}$ , then  $\mu \in L^X$  denote the product of all  $\mu_i \in L^{X_i}$  is defined as follows:  $\mu(x) = \wedge_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i(x_i)$  for all  $x \in X$  [36].

**Definition 2.1** ([37]). Let  $\emptyset \neq Y \subseteq X$  and  $\mu \in L^X$ . Then the *restriction* of  $\mu$  on  $Y$ , is denoted by  $\mu|_Y$ . The *extension* of  $\mu \in L^Y$  on  $X$ , denoted by  $\mu_X$ , is defined by:

$$\mu_X(x) = \begin{cases} \mu(x), & \text{if } x \in Y, \\ \perp_L, & \text{if } x \in X - Y. \end{cases}$$

**Definition 2.2** ([38, 39]). A *fuzzy point*  $x_t$  for  $t \in L_{\perp_L}$  is an element of  $L^X$  such that

$$x_t(y) = \begin{cases} t, & \text{if } y = x, \\ \perp_L, & \text{if } y \neq x. \end{cases}$$

The set of all fuzzy points in  $X$  is denoted by  $P_t(X)$ . Two fuzzy points  $x_t$  and  $y_s$  are distinct if  $x \neq y$ .

**Definition 2.3** ([1]). Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ . Then the *image*  $f^{\rightarrow}(\mu)$  of  $\mu \in L^X$  and the *preimage*  $f^{\leftarrow}(\nu)$  of  $\nu \in L^Y$  are defined by:

$$f^{\rightarrow}(\mu)(y) = \bigvee \{\mu(x) : x \in X, f(x) = y\} \text{ and } f^{\leftarrow}(\nu) = \nu \circ f, \text{ respectively.}$$

**Definition 2.4** ([22, 40]). The pair  $(X, \mathcal{C})$  is called an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convex structure, where  $\mathcal{C} : L^X \rightarrow M$  satisfies the following axioms:

$$\text{(LMC1) } \mathcal{C}(\chi_{\emptyset}) = \mathcal{C}(\chi_X) = \top_M,$$

$$\text{(LMC2) if } \{\mu_i : i \in \Gamma\} \subseteq L^X \text{ is nonempty, then } \mathcal{C}(\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i) \geq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \mathcal{C}(\mu_i),$$

(LMC3) if  $\{\mu_i : i \in \Gamma\} \subseteq L^X$  is nonempty and totally ordered by inclusion, then  $\mathcal{C}(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i) \geq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \mathcal{C}(\mu_i)$ .

The mapping  $\mathcal{C}$  is called an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convexity on  $X$  and  $\mathcal{C}(\mu)$  can be regarded as the degree to which  $\mu$  is an  $L$ -convex fuzzy set.

**Theorem 2.5** ([22]). Let  $(X, \mathcal{C})$  be an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convex structure,  $\emptyset \neq Y \subseteq X$ . Then  $(Y, \mathcal{C}|_Y)$  is an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convex structure on  $Y$ , where

$$(\mathcal{C}|_Y)(\mu) = \bigvee \{\mathcal{C}(\nu) : \nu \in L^X, \nu|_Y = \mu\},$$

for each  $\mu \in L^Y$ . The pair  $(Y, \mathcal{C}|_Y)$  is called an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convex sub-structure of  $(X, \mathcal{C})$ .

**Definition 2.6** ([22]). Let  $\{(X_i, \mathcal{C}_i) : i \in \Gamma\}$  be a set of  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convex structures,  $X$  be the product of the sets  $X_i$  for  $i \in \Gamma$  and  $\pi_i : X \rightarrow X_i$  be the projection for each  $i \in \Gamma$ . Define a mapping  $\varphi : L^X \rightarrow M$  by

$$\varphi(\mu) = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \bigvee_{\pi_i^{\leftarrow}(\nu) = \mu} \mathcal{C}_i(\nu), \quad \text{for each } \mu, \nu \in L^X.$$

Then the product convexity  $\mathcal{C}$  of  $X$  is the one generated by subbase  $\varphi$ . The resulting  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convex structure  $(X, \mathcal{C})$  is called the product of  $\{(X_i, \mathcal{C}_i) : i \in \Gamma\}$  and is denoted by  $\prod_{i \in \Gamma} (X_i, \mathcal{C}_i)$ .

**Definition 2.7** ([36, 41]). An  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy topology on  $X$  is a map  $\mathcal{T} : L^X \rightarrow M$  with the following conditions:

$$\text{(i) } \mathcal{T}(\chi_{\emptyset}) = \mathcal{T}(\chi_X) = \top_M,$$

$$\text{(ii) } \mathcal{T}(\mu \wedge \nu) \geq \mathcal{T}(\mu) \wedge \mathcal{T}(\nu), \quad \forall \mu, \nu \in L^X,$$

$$\text{(iii) } \mathcal{T}(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i) \geq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \mathcal{T}(\mu_i), \quad \forall \mu_i \in L^X, i \in \Gamma.$$

The pair  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is called an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy topological space.

**Definition 2.8** ([42]). A triple  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  consisting of a set  $X$ , an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convexity, and an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy topology is called an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy topology  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convexity space (briefly,  $(L, M)$ -ftfcs).

**Proposition 2.9** ([4, 6]). Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy topological space and  $A \subseteq X$ . Define a mapping  $\mathcal{T}_A : L^X \rightarrow M$  by

$$\mathcal{T}_A(\mu) = \bigvee \{\mathcal{T}(\nu) : \nu \in L^X, \nu|_A = \mu\}.$$

( $\bigvee$  being the supremum operation on  $M$ ). Then  $\mathcal{T}_A$  is an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy topology  $A$ .

3.  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_0$ ,  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_1$  AND  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_2$  SPACES

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  be an  $(L, M)$ -ftfcs and  $\mu \in L^X$ . Then  $\mu$  is called an:

- (i)  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex set, if  $\mathcal{T}(\mu') \geq r$  and  $\mathcal{C}(\mu) \geq r$ ,
- (ii)  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex neighbourhood of  $x_t \in P_t(X)$ , if it is an  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex set and an  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy neighbourhood of  $x_t$ .

**Definition 3.2.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  be an  $(L, M)$ -ftfcs. Then  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  is said to be an:

- (i)  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_0$  space, if for any two distinct fuzzy points there exists  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex neighbourhood containing one and not containing the other,
- (ii)  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_1$  space, if for any two distinct fuzzy points there exists  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex neighbourhood of each of them not containing the other,
- (iii)  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_2$  space, if for any two distinct fuzzy points there exist disjoint  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex neighbourhoods of each of them.

**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  be an  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_i$  space for  $i \in \{0, 1, 2\}$  and  $\emptyset \neq Y \subseteq X$ . Then  $(Y, \mathcal{C}|Y, \mathcal{T}_Y)$  is an  $r$ - $LF S_i$  space.

*Proof.* Let  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  be an  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_2$  space and  $x_t, y_s \in P_t(Y)$  such that  $x \neq y$ . Then  $x_t, y_s \in P_t(X)$  such that  $x \neq y$ . Thus there exist disjoint  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex neighbourhoods  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  for  $x_t$  and  $y_s$  in  $X$ , respectively. So  $\mu|Y$  and  $\nu|Y$  are disjoint  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex neighbourhoods of  $x_t$  and  $y_s$  in  $Y$ , respectively. Hence  $(Y, \mathcal{C}|Y, \mathcal{T}_Y)$  is an  $r$ - $LF S_2$  space.

Similarly, we can prove the result for  $i \in \{0, 1\}$ . □

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  be the product of  $\{(X_i, \mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{T}_i) : i \in \Gamma\}$ . Then,  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  is an  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_\alpha$  space for  $\alpha \in \{0, 1, 2\}$  if  $(X_i, \mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{T}_i)$  is an  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_\alpha$  space for each  $i \in \Gamma$ .

*Proof.* Consider the case when  $\alpha = 2$ .

Let  $\{(X_i, \mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{T}_i) : i \in \Gamma\}$  be an  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_2$  space and  $x_t, y_s \in P_t(X)$  such that  $x \neq y$  with  $X = \prod_{i \in \Gamma} X_i$  and  $\pi_i : X \rightarrow X_i$  be the projection map for each  $i \in \Gamma$ . Then for some  $i \in \Gamma$ ,  $(x_i)_t$  and  $(y_i)_s$  are distinct fuzzy points in  $X_i$  and there exist disjoint  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex neighbourhoods  $\mu_i$  and  $\nu_i$  in  $X_i$  for  $(x_i)_t$  and  $(y_i)_s$ , respectively. Since  $\pi_i$  is the projection map,  $\mu = \pi_i^{\leftarrow}(\mu_i)$  and  $\nu = \pi_i^{\leftarrow}(\nu_i)$  are disjoint  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex neighbourhoods in  $X$  of  $x_t$  and  $y_s$  respectively. Thus  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  is an  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_2$  space. Similarly, we can prove the result when  $i \in \{0, 1\}$ . □

**Proposition 3.5.** For  $r \in M_\perp$ , we have

- (1) an  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_2$  space is always  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_1$  space,
- (2) an  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_1$  space is always  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_0$  space.

*Proof.* By Definition 3.2, the proofs are trivial. □

The next examples shows that the converse of Proposition 3.5 is not true.

**Example 3.6.** Let  $L = M = [0, 1]$  and  $\mu_i$  be fuzzy subsets of  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ , where  $i = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$  is defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_1(a) &= 1.0, & \mu_1(b) &= 0.0, & \mu_1(c) &= 0.0, \\ \mu_2(a) &= 0.5, & \mu_2(b) &= 1.0, & \mu_2(c) &= 0.0, \\ \mu_3(a) &= 0.5, & \mu_3(b) &= 0.0, & \mu_3(c) &= 0.0, \\ \mu_4(a) &= 0.0, & \mu_4(b) &= 0.0, & \mu_4(c) &= 1.0, \\ \mu_5(a) &= 1.0, & \mu_5(b) &= 0.0, & \mu_5(c) &= 1.0. \end{aligned}$$

Define an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy topology in [36, 41]  $\mathcal{T} : [0, 1]^X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  and an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convexity  $\mathcal{C} : [0, 1]^X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  on  $X$  as follows:

$$\mathcal{T}(\nu) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \nu \in \{\underline{0}, \underline{1}\}, \\ \frac{1}{4}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_1, \\ \frac{1}{4}, & \text{if } \nu = \underline{1} - \mu_1, \\ \frac{1}{4}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_2, \\ \frac{1}{4}, & \text{if } \nu = \underline{1} - \mu_2, \\ \frac{1}{4}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_3, \\ \frac{1}{4}, & \text{if } \nu = \underline{1} - \mu_3, \\ \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_4, \\ \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_5, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad \mathcal{C}(\nu) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \nu \in \{\underline{0}, \underline{1}\}, \\ \frac{1}{4}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_1, \\ \frac{1}{4}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_2, \\ \frac{1}{4}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_3, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  is an  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_0$  space but it is not  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_1$  space because  $\mu_2, \mu_3$  are  $\frac{1}{4}$ -fuzzy closed convex neighbourhood of  $b_{1.0}, a_{0.5}$  and  $a_{0.5} \in \mu_2$ .

**Example 3.7.** Let  $L = M = [0, 1]$  and  $\mu_i$  be fuzzy subsets of  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ , where  $i = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$  is defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_1(a) &= 1.0, & \mu_1(b) &= 0.0, & \mu_1(c) &= 0.0, \\ \mu_2(a) &= 0.0, & \mu_2(b) &= 1.0, & \mu_2(c) &= 0.0, \\ \mu_3(a) &= 0.0, & \mu_3(b) &= 0.0, & \mu_3(c) &= 1.0, \\ \mu_4(a) &= 0.5, & \mu_4(b) &= 0.0, & \mu_4(c) &= 1.0, \\ \mu_5(a) &= 0.5, & \mu_5(b) &= 0.0, & \mu_5(c) &= 0.0. \end{aligned}$$

Define an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy topology in [36, 41]  $\mathcal{T} : [0, 1]^X \longrightarrow [0, 1]$  and an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convexity  $\mathcal{C} : [0, 1]^X \longrightarrow [0, 1]$  on  $X$  as follows:

$$\mathcal{T}(\nu) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \nu \in \{\underline{0}, \underline{1}\}, \\ \frac{1}{7}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_1, \\ \frac{1}{7}, & \text{if } \nu = \underline{1} - \mu_1, \\ \frac{1}{6}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_2, \\ \frac{1}{6}, & \text{if } \nu = \underline{1} - \mu_2, \\ \frac{1}{5}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_3, \\ \frac{1}{5}, & \text{if } \nu = \underline{1} - \mu_3, \\ \frac{1}{4}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_4, \\ \frac{1}{4}, & \text{if } \nu = \underline{1} - \mu_4, \\ \frac{1}{3}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_5, \\ \frac{1}{3}, & \text{if } \nu = \underline{1} - \mu_5, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad \mathcal{C}(\nu) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \nu \in \{\underline{0}, \underline{1}\}, \\ \frac{1}{7}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_1, \\ \frac{1}{7}, & \text{if } \nu = \underline{1} - \mu_1, \\ \frac{1}{4}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_4, \\ \frac{1}{4}, & \text{if } \nu = \underline{1} - \mu_4, \\ \frac{1}{3}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_5, \\ \frac{1}{6}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_2, \\ \frac{1}{5}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_3, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  is an  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_1$  space but it is not  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_2$  space because  $\underline{1} - \mu_1$  is  $\frac{1}{7}$ -fuzzy closed convex neighbourhood of  $b_{1,0}, c_{1,0}$ .

#### 4. PSEUDO $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$ AND $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$ SPACES

**Definition 4.1.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  be an  $(L, M)$ -ftfcs,  $\mu$  be an  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex set in  $L^X$  and  $x_t \in P_t(X)$  such that supports of  $x_t$  and  $\mu$  are disjoint. Then  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  is said to be :

- (i) a *pseudo  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$  space*, if there exists  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex neighbourhood  $\nu$  of  $\mu$  such that  $x_t \notin \nu$ ,
- (ii) an  *$r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$  space*, if there exists  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex neighbourhoods  $\nu$  of  $\mu$  and  $\lambda$  of  $x_t$ .

**Theorem 4.2.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  be an  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$  space (resp. Pseudo  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$  space) and  $\emptyset \neq Y \subseteq X$ . Then  $(Y, \mathcal{C}|_Y, \mathcal{T}_Y)$  is  $r$ - $LFS_3$  space (resp. Pseudo  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$  space).

*Proof.* Let  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  be an  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$  space,  $x_t \in P_t(Y)$  and  $\mu$  be an  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex set in  $L^Y$  such that supports of  $x_t$  and  $\mu$  are disjoint and  $\emptyset \neq Y \subseteq X$ . Then  $\mu = \nu|_Y$  is an  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex set in  $L^X$ , where  $\nu$  is an  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex set in  $L^X$ . Since supports of  $x_t$  and  $\mu$  are disjoint, we have supports of  $x_t$  and  $\nu$  are disjoint in  $X$ . Thus there exists  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex neighbourhoods

$\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  of  $x_t$  and  $\nu$ , respectively. So  $\lambda_1|Y$  and  $\lambda_2|Y$  are disjoint  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex neighbourhoods of  $x_t$  and  $\mu$ , respectively in  $Y$ . Hence  $(Y, \mathcal{C}|Y, \mathcal{T}_Y)$  is  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$  space.

Similarly, we can prove result Pseudo  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$  space. □

**Theorem 4.3.** *Let  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  be the product of  $\{(X_i, \mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{T}_i) : i \in \Gamma\}$ . Then  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  is an  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$  space (resp. pseudo  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$  space), if  $(X_i, \mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{T}_i)$  is an  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$  space (resp. Pseudo  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$  space) for each  $i \in \Gamma$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\{(X_i, \mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{T}_i) : i \in \Gamma\}$  be an  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$  space,  $x_t \in P_t(X)$  and  $\mu$  be an  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex set in  $L^X$  such that supports of  $x_t$  and  $\mu$  are disjoint and  $\pi_i : X \rightarrow X_i$  is the projection map for each  $i \in \Gamma$ . Then

$$\mu = \pi_i^{\leftarrow}(\nu_i) \text{ where } \nu_i \text{ is } r\text{-}L\text{-fuzzy closed convex set in } L^{X_i}$$

For some  $i \in \Gamma$ ,  $(x_i)_t$  and  $\nu_i$  are distinct. Since  $X_i$  is an  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$  space, there exists  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex neighbourhoods  $\lambda_i, \rho_i$  of  $(x_i)_t$  and  $\nu_i$  respectively such that  $(x_i)_t \notin \rho_i$  and  $\lambda_i$  and  $\nu_i$  are disjoint. Thus  $\nu = \pi_i^{\leftarrow}(\lambda_i)$  and  $\rho = \pi_i^{\leftarrow}(\rho_i)$  are disjoint  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex neighbourhoods of  $x_t$  and  $\mu$ , respectively such that  $x_t \notin \rho$ ,  $\nu$  and  $\mu$  are disjoint.

Similarly, we can prove result Pseudo  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$  space. □

**Proposition 4.4.** *For  $r \in M_{\perp}$ , an  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$  space is always pseudo  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$  space.*

*Proof.* By Definition 4.1, the proof is trivial. □

The next example shows that the converse of Proposition 4.4 is not true.

**Example 4.5.** Let  $L = M = [0, 1]$  and  $\mu_i$  be fuzzy subsets of  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ , where  $i = \{1, 2\}$  is defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_1(a) &= 1.0, & \mu_1(b) &= 0.0, & \mu_1(c) &= 0.0, \\ \mu_2(a) &= 0.0, & \mu_2(b) &= 1.0, & \mu_2(c) &= 1.0. \end{aligned}$$

Define an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy topology in [36, 41]  $\mathcal{T} : [0, 1]^X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  and an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convexity  $\mathcal{C} : [0, 1]^X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  on  $X$  as follows:

$$\mathcal{T}(\nu) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \nu \in \{\underline{0}, \underline{1}\}, \\ \frac{1}{4}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_1, \\ \frac{1}{3}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_2, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad \mathcal{C}(\nu) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \nu \in \{\underline{0}, \underline{1}\}, \\ \frac{1}{3}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  is Pseudo  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$  space but it is not  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$  space because the only  $\frac{1}{3}$ -fuzzy closed convex set is  $\mu_1$  and for  $b_{1.0} \in P_t(X)$  there is not  $r$ -fuzzy closed convex neighbourhood where  $\mu_1$  is  $\frac{1}{3}$ -fuzzy closed convex neighbourhood of  $\mu_1$ .

**Note 1:** An  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$  space and so a pseudo  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$  need not be an  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_2$  space.

**Example 4.6.** Let  $L, M, X$  and  $\mu_i$  be given as Example 3.5. Define an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy topology in [36, 41]  $\mathcal{T} : [0, 1]^X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  and an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convexity  $\mathcal{C} : [0, 1]^X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  on  $X$  as follows:

$$\mathcal{T}(\nu) = \mathcal{C}(\nu) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \nu \in \{\underline{0}, \underline{1}\}, \\ \frac{1}{4}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_1, \\ \frac{1}{3}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_2, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  is  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$  space but it is not  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_2$  space.

### 5. SEMI $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_4$ AND $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_4$ SPACES

**Definition 5.1.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  be an  $(L, M)$ -ftfcs and  $\mu, \nu \in L^X$  are disjoint  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex sets. Then  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  is said to be:

- (i) a *semi  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_4$  space*, if there exists  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex neighbourhood  $\lambda$  of  $\mu$  such that  $\lambda$  and  $\nu$  are disjoint,
- (ii) an  *$r$ - $L$ - $FNS_4$  space*, if there exists  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex neighbourhoods  $\lambda_1$  of  $\mu$  and  $\lambda_2$  of  $\nu$  such that  $\lambda_1$  and  $\nu$  are disjoint  $\lambda_2$  and  $\mu$  are disjoint.

**Theorem 5.2.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  be an  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_4$  space (resp. semi  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_4$  space) and  $\emptyset \neq Y \subseteq X$ . Then  $(Y, \mathcal{C}|_Y, \mathcal{T}_Y)$  is  $r$ - $LFS_4$  space (resp. semi  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_4$  space).

*Proof.* The proof is similar to Theorem 4.2. □

**Proposition 5.3.** For  $r \in M_\perp$ , an  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_4$  space is always semi  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_4$  space.

*Proof.* By Definition 5.1, the proof is trivial. □

The next example shows that the converse of Proposition 5.3 is not true.

**Example 5.4.** Let  $L = M = [0, 1]$  and  $\mu_i$  be fuzzy subsets of  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ , where  $i = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}$  is defined as follows:

$$\begin{array}{lll} \mu_1(a) = 0.75, & \mu_1(b) = 1.00, & \mu_1(c) = 1.00, \\ \mu_2(a) = 1.00, & \mu_2(b) = 0.75, & \mu_2(c) = 1.00, \\ \mu_3(a) = 0.75, & \mu_3(b) = 0.75, & \mu_3(c) = 1.00, \\ \mu_4(a) = 0.50, & \mu_4(b) = 1.00, & \mu_4(c) = 1.00, \\ \mu_5(a) = 0.30, & \mu_5(b) = 0.00, & \mu_5(c) = 0.00, \\ \mu_6(a) = 0.50, & \mu_6(b) = 0.75, & \mu_6(c) = 1.00, \\ \mu_7(a) = 0.50, & \mu_7(b) = 0.50, & \mu_7(c) = 0.00. \end{array}$$

Define an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy topology in [36, 41]  $\mathcal{T} : [0, 1]^X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  and an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convexity  $\mathcal{C} : [0, 1]^X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  on  $X$  as follows:

$$\mathcal{T}(\nu) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \nu \in \{\underline{0}, \underline{1}\}, \\ \frac{1}{4}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_1, \\ \frac{1}{3}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_2, \\ \frac{1}{4}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_3, \\ \frac{1}{5}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_4, \\ \frac{1}{5}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_5, \\ \frac{1}{5}, & \text{if } \nu = \mu_6, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad \mathcal{C}(\nu) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \nu \in \{\underline{0}, \underline{1}\}, \\ \frac{1}{5}, & \text{if } \nu \leq \mu_7, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then

(1)  $\mu'_1$  and  $\mu'_2$  are disjoint  $\frac{1}{5}$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex sets in  $X$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} \mu'_1(a) &= 0.25, & \mu'_1(b) &= 0.00, & \mu'_1(c) &= 0.00, \\ \mu'_2(a) &= 0.00, & \mu'_2(b) &= 0.25, & \mu'_2(c) &= 0.00. \end{aligned}$$

Also,  $\mu'_4$  and  $\mu'_2$  are disjoint  $\frac{1}{5}$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex sets in  $X$ , where,

$$\mu'_4(a) = 0.50, \quad \mu'_4(b) = 0.00, \quad \mu'_4(c) = 0.00.$$

Thus  $\mu'_4$  is  $\frac{1}{5}$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex neighbourhood of  $\mu'_1$ , because

$$\mu'_1 \leq \mu_5 \leq \mu'_4 \text{ where } \mathcal{T}(\mu_5) \geq \frac{1}{5}.$$

So  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  is semi  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_4$  but it is not  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_4$ , because there is no  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex neighbourhood of  $\mu'_2$ .

(2)  $(X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T})$  isn't  $r$ - $L$ - $FNS_3$ , because there is no  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex neighbourhood containing  $\mu'_3$  and disjoint with  $c_t$ , where  $0 < t \leq 1$  and

$$\mu'_3(a) = 0.25, \quad \mu'_3(b) = 0.25, \quad \mu'_3(c) = 0.00.$$

Where  $\mu'_3$  is  $\frac{1}{5}$ - $L$ -fuzzy closed convex sets in  $X$ .

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