

# On Compactness in Fuzzy Soft Topological Spaces

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**Abstract:** In this Paper, we introduce a new definition of the cover so-called fuzzy soft p-cover. According to this notion, we define a new type of compactness in fuzzy soft topology so-called  $p^*$ -compactness which is extension to Kandil's compactness in the fuzzy topology [7] and is avoid some Chang's deviations in the fuzzy and fuzzy soft topology [4]. Some of their basic results, properties and relations are investigated with some necessary examples.

**Keywords:** Fuzzy soft set, fuzzy soft point, fuzzy soft topology, fuzzy soft p-cover, fuzzy soft p-compact, fuzzy soft  $p^*$ -compact.

## 1 Introduction

The concept of compactness is one of the basic and the most important notions in topology. In soft topological space, compactness was first introduced by Zorlutuna et al. [19]. Chang first studied compactness in fuzzy topology [4], but it has many deviations. So, there are different researches for fuzzy compactness have been introduced to avoid these deviations ( see [6,7,8,9,10] ). Then Gain et al.[5] and Osmanoglu & Tokat [13] have introduced the notion of compactness in fuzzy soft topology as a generalization of Chang's fuzzy compactness [4]. Also, Mishra & Srivastava [12] studied fuzzy soft compactness as a generalization of Lown's fuzzy compactness [8].

Throughout this Paper, we introduce and study a new type of cover and compactness in fuzzy soft topology so-called p-cover and  $p^*$ -compactness which is extension Kandil's notion [7], development of Chang's notion [4] in fuzzy topology, and is general than that which are presented in [5,13]. Some basic results, relations and theorems related to the  $p^*$ -compactness are studied with some necessary examples.

## 2 Preliminaries

In this section, we recall the basic definitions which will be needed in this paper. Throughout this work,  $X$  refers to an initial universe,  $E$  be the set of all parameters for  $X$  and  $I^X$  is the set of all fuzzy sets in  $X$ , where  $I = [0, 1]$ .

**Definition 2.1.** [10,18] A fuzzy set  $A$  of  $X$  is a set characterized by the membership function  $A : X \rightarrow I$  and  $A$  can be represented by ordered pairs  $A = \{(x, A(x)) : x \in X, A(x) \in I\}$ ,  $A(x)$  represents the degree of membership of  $x$  in  $A$  for  $x \in X$ . A fuzzy point  $x_\lambda \in (0, 1]$  is a fuzzy set in  $X$  given by  $x_\lambda(y) = \lambda$  at  $x = y$  and  $x_\lambda(y) = 0$  otherwise for all  $y \in X$ . For  $\alpha \in I$ ,  $\underline{\alpha} \in I^X$  refers to the fuzzy constant function where,  $\underline{\alpha}(x) = \alpha \forall x \in X$ . The support of  $A \in I^X$  is the crisp set  $S(A) = \{x \in X : A(x) > 0\}$ . For  $A, B \in I^X$ , the basic operations for fuzzy sets are given by Zadeh ( see [18] ).

**Definition 2.2.** [11,14] A fuzzy soft set  $f_E = (f, E)$  over  $X$  with the set  $E$  of parameters is defined by the set of ordered pairs  $f_E = \{(e, f(e)) : e \in E, f(e) \in I^X\}$ . Here  $f$  is a mapping given by  $f : E \rightarrow I^X$  and the value  $f(e)$  is a fuzzy set called  $e$ -element of the fuzzy soft set for all  $e \in E$ . The family of all fuzzy soft sets over  $X$  is denoted by  $FSS(X, E)$ .

**Definition 2.3.** [1,2,11] Let  $f_E, g_E$  are two fuzzy soft sets over  $X$ . Then we have:

- i) The fuzzy soft set  $f_E$  is called a null fuzzy soft set, denoted by  $\underline{0}_E$  if  $f(e) = \underline{0}$  for every  $e \in E$  where,  $\underline{0}(x) = 0 \forall x \in X$ .
- ii) If  $f(e) = \underline{1}$  for every  $e \in E$ , then  $f_E$  is called an universal fuzzy soft set denoted by  $\underline{1}_E$  where,  $\underline{1}(x) = 1 \forall x \in X$ .
- iii)  $f_E$  is a fuzzy soft subset of  $g_E$ , denoted by  $f_E \sqsubseteq g_E$  if  $f(e) \subseteq g(e) \forall e \in E$ .
- iv)  $f_E$  and  $g_E$  are equal if  $f_E \sqsubseteq g_E$  and  $g_E \sqsubseteq f_E$ . It is denoted by  $f_E = g_E$ .

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v) The complement of  $f_E$  is denoted by  $f_E^c$  where,  $f^c : E \rightarrow I^X$  is a mapping defined by  $f^c(e) = 1 - f(e)$  for all  $e \in E$ . Clearly,  $(f_E^c)^c = f_E$ .

vi) The union of  $f_E$  and  $g_E$  is a fuzzy soft set  $h_E$  defined by,  $h(e) = f(e) \cup g(e) \quad \forall e \in E$  and denoted by  $f_E \sqcup g_E$ .

vii) The intersection of  $f_E$  and  $g_E$  is a fuzzy soft set  $h_E$  defined by,  $h(e) = f(e) \cap g(e) \quad \forall e \in E$  and denoted by  $f_E \sqcap g_E$ .

**Definition 2.4.** [2] A fuzzy soft point  $x_\alpha^e$  over  $X$  is a fuzzy soft set over  $X$  defined as follows:

$$x_\alpha^e(e') = \begin{cases} x_\alpha & \text{if } e' = e \\ 0 & \text{if } e' \in E - \{e\} \end{cases} \quad \text{where,}$$

$x_\alpha$  is the fuzzy point in  $X$  with support  $x$  and value  $\alpha$ ,  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ . The set of all fuzzy soft points in  $X$  is denoted by  $FSP(X, E)$ . The fuzzy soft point  $x_\alpha^e$  is called belongs to a fuzzy soft set  $f_E$ , denoted by  $x_\alpha^e \tilde{\in} f_E$  iff  $\alpha \leq f(e)(x)$ . Every non-null fuzzy soft set  $f_E$  can be expressed as the union of all the fuzzy soft points belonging to  $f_E$ . The complement of a fuzzy soft point  $x_\alpha^e$  is a fuzzy soft set over  $X$ .

**Definition 2.5.** [2, 14] Let  $X$  be an universe set,  $E$  be a fixed set of parameters and  $\delta$  be the collection of fuzzy soft sets over  $X$  satisfies the following conditions:

- $\tilde{0}_E, \tilde{1}_E$  belong to  $\delta$ ,
- The union of any number of fuzzy soft sets in  $\delta$  is in  $\delta$ ,
- The intersection of any two fuzzy soft sets in  $\delta$  is in  $\delta$ .

In this case  $(X, \delta, E)$  is called a fuzzy soft topological space. The members of  $\delta$  are called fuzzy soft open sets in  $X$  and denoted by,  $FSO(X, \delta, E)$ . A fuzzy soft set  $f_E$  over  $X$  is called fuzzy soft closed in  $X$  iff  $f_E^c \in \delta$  and denoted by  $FSC(X, \delta, E)$ .

**Example 2.6.** 1) Let  $X$  be an universe set and  $E$  be a set of parameters for  $X$ , then the families  $\delta = \{\tilde{0}_E, \tilde{1}_E\}$  and  $\delta = FSS(X, E)$  are called an indiscrete fuzzy soft topology and discrete fuzzy soft topology on  $X$ , respectively.

2) Let  $X$  be an infinite set and  $a_i^e$  be any fixed fuzzy soft point on  $X$ . Then the following collections:

- $\delta_{a_i^e} = \{\tilde{1}_E\} \cup \{f_E \in FSS(X, E) : a_i^e \tilde{q} f_E\}$ ,
- $\delta_\infty = \{f_E \in FSS(X, E) : S(f^c(e)) \text{ is a finite subset of } X \text{ and } e \in E\} \cup \{\tilde{0}_E\}$  define the fuzzy soft topologies over  $X$ .

**Notation.** [15] For  $x_\alpha^e \in FSP(X)$  the fuzzy soft set  $O_{x_\alpha^e}$  refers to a fuzzy soft open set contains  $x_\alpha^e$  and  $O_{x_\alpha^e}$  is called a fuzzy soft neighborhood of  $x_\alpha^e$ . The fuzzy soft neighborhood system of  $x_\alpha^e$  denoted by,  $N_E(x_\alpha^e)$  is the family of all its fuzzy soft neighborhoods. In general, for  $f_E \in FSS(X, E)$  the notation  $O_{f_E}$  refers to a fuzzy soft open set contains  $f_E$  and is called a fuzzy soft neighborhood of  $f_E$ .

**Definition 2.7.** [2] The fuzzy soft sets  $f_E$  and  $g_E$  in  $FSS(X, E)$  are said to be fuzzy soft quasi-coincident, denoted by  $f_E q g_E$  iff there exist  $e \in E$  and  $x \in X$  such that  $f(e)(x) + g(e)(x) > 1$ . If  $f_E$  is not fuzzy soft quasi-coincident with  $g_E$ , then we write  $f_E \tilde{q} g_E$ , i.e.  $f_E \tilde{q} g_E$  iff  $f(e)(x) + g(e)(x) \leq 1$ , that is,

$f(e)(x) \leq g^c(e)(x)$  for all  $x \in X, e \in E$ .

A fuzzy soft point  $x_\alpha^e$  is said to be soft quasi-coincident with  $f_E$ , denoted by  $x_\alpha^e q f_E$  iff there exists  $e \in E, \alpha + f(e)(x) > 1$ .

**Theorem 2.8.** [15] i) Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a crisp topological space. Then the collection:

$\delta_\tau = \{\tilde{\chi}_A : A \in \tau\}$  forms a fuzzy soft topology on  $X$  induced by  $\tau$ .

ii) Every fuzzy soft topological space  $(X, \delta, E)$  defines crisp topology on  $X$  in the form  $\tau_\delta = \{A \subseteq X : \tilde{\chi}_A \in \delta\}$

which is induced by  $\delta$ .

**Definition 2.9.** [17] A fuzzy soft topological space  $(X, \delta, E)$  is said to be:

- Fuzzy soft  $R_0$  (for short,  $FSR_0$ ) iff for every  $x_\alpha^e, y_\beta^e \in FSP(X, E)$  with  $x_\alpha^e \tilde{q} y_\beta^e$  implies  $\overline{x_\alpha^e} \tilde{q} y_\beta^e$ .
- Fuzzy soft  $R_1$  (for short,  $FSR_1$ ) iff for every  $x_\alpha^e, y_\beta^e \in FSP(X, E)$  with  $x_\alpha^e \tilde{q} y_\beta^e$  implies there exist  $O_{x_\alpha^e}$  and  $O_{y_\beta^e} \in \delta$  such that  $O_{x_\alpha^e} \tilde{q} O_{y_\beta^e}$ .

**Definition 2.10.** [16] A fuzzy soft topological space  $(X, \delta, E)$  is said to be:

- Fuzzy soft  $T_1$  (for short,  $FST_1$ ) iff for every  $x_\alpha^e, y_\beta^e \in FSP(X, E)$  with  $x_\alpha^e \tilde{q} y_\beta^e$  implies there exist  $O_{x_\alpha^e}$  and  $O_{y_\beta^e} \in \delta$  such that  $O_{x_\alpha^e} \tilde{q} y_\beta^e$  and  $x_\alpha^e \tilde{q} O_{y_\beta^e}$ .
- Fuzzy soft  $T_2$  (for short,  $FST_2$ ) iff for every  $x_\alpha^e, y_\beta^e \in FSP(X, E)$  with  $x_\alpha^e \tilde{q} y_\beta^e$  implies there exist  $O_{x_\alpha^e}$  and  $O_{y_\beta^e} \in \delta$  such that  $O_{x_\alpha^e} \tilde{q} O_{y_\beta^e}$ .
- Fuzzy soft regular (for short,  $FSR$ ) iff for every  $x_\alpha^e \in FSP(X, E)$  and  $f_E \in \delta^c$  with  $x_\alpha^e \tilde{q} f_E$  implies there exist  $O_{x_\alpha^e}$  and  $O_{f_E} \in \delta$  such that  $O_{x_\alpha^e} \tilde{q} O_{f_E}$ .
- Fuzzy soft normal (for short,  $FSN$ ) iff for every  $f_E, g_E \in \delta^c$  with  $f_E \tilde{q} g_E$  implies there exist  $O_{f_E}, O_{g_E} \in \delta$  such that  $O_{f_E} \tilde{q} O_{g_E}$ .
- Fuzzy soft  $T_3$  (for short,  $FST_3$ ) iff it is  $FSR$  and  $FST_1$ .
- Fuzzy soft  $T_4$  (for short,  $FST_4$ ) iff it is  $FSN$  and  $FST_1$ .

### 3 Fuzzy soft $p^*$ -compact spaces

In this section, we are going to introduce a new definition of fuzzy soft cover according to this definition we introduce a new type of compactness in fuzzy soft topological spaces so-called  $p^*$ -compactness.

Here we mention that Gain et al. [5] and Osmanoglu & Tokat [13] have introduced the definitions of cover and compactness in fuzzy soft topology as a generalization of Chang's notion [4]. Their definitions are as follows:

**Definition 3.1.** [5, 13]

i) A family  $\mathcal{A}$  of fuzzy soft sets is a cover of fuzzy soft set  $g_E$  if  $g_E \sqsubseteq \sqcup \{f_{iE} : f_{iE} \in \mathcal{A}, i \in J\}$ . It is open cover if each member of  $\mathcal{A}$  is a fuzzy soft open set. A subcover of  $\mathcal{A}$  is a subfamily of  $\mathcal{A}$  which is also a cover.

ii) Let  $(X, \delta, E)$  be fuzzy soft topological space and  $f_E \in FSS(X, E)$ . A fuzzy soft set  $f_E$  is called compact if each

fuzzy soft open cover of  $f_E$  has a finite subcover. A fuzzy soft topological space  $(X, \delta, E)$  is called compact if each fuzzy soft open cover of  $\tilde{I}_E$  has a finite subcover.

**Definition 3.2.** A family  $\gamma = \{f_{iE} : i \in J\}$  of a fuzzy soft sets is a p-cover of a fuzzy soft set  $g_E$  iff for all  $x_\alpha^e \in g_E$  there exists  $i_0 \in J$  such that  $x_\alpha^e \in f_{i_0E}$ . It is an open p-cover iff every member of  $\gamma$  is a fuzzy soft open set.

A sub p-cover of  $\gamma$  is a subfamily of  $\gamma$  which is also a fuzzy soft p-cover.

**Note 1.** Clearly, every fuzzy soft p-cover is a fuzzy soft cover in the sense of Definition 3.1. But the converse may not be true in general as shown by the following example.

**Example 3.3** Let  $X$  be an infinite set and  $\gamma = \{f_{nE} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a family of fuzzy soft sets over  $X$  defined by  $f_n(e)(x) = 1 - \frac{1}{n}$  where  $e \in E, n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $x \in X$ . Then  $\gamma$  is a fuzzy soft cover of  $\tilde{I}_E$ . But  $\gamma$  is not a fuzzy soft p-cover of  $\tilde{I}_E$ . Indeed for  $x_1^e \in \tilde{I}_E$  there no exist any element in  $\gamma$  containing  $x_1^e$ .

**Definition 3.4.** Let  $(X, \delta, E)$  be a fuzz soft topological space and  $f_E \in FSS(X, E)$ . Then:

- i)  $f_E$  is called a fuzzy soft p-compact set iff every fuzzy soft open p-cover of  $f_E$  has a finite fuzzy soft open p-subcover. In general  $(X, \delta, E)$  is a fuzzy soft p-compact space iff  $\tilde{I}_E$  itself is a fuzzy soft p-compact set.
- ii)  $(X, \delta, E)$  is called a fuzzy soft  $p^*$ -compact space iff every fuzzy soft closed set over  $X$  is a fuzzy soft p-compact set.

**Example 3.5.** i) Every fuzzy soft set  $f_E$  with a finite support of  $f(e), e \in E$  is p-compact (i.e. every finite fuzzy soft set is a p-compact set).

ii) A cofinite fuzzy soft space  $(X, \delta_\infty, E)$  is a fuzzy soft  $p^*$ -compact space, where  $\delta_\infty$  is defined as in the case 2) of the Example 2.6.

**Proof.** i) It is obvious.

ii) Let  $f_E \in FSC(X, \delta_\infty, E)$ , then  $f_E$  is finite or  $f_E = \tilde{I}_E$ . Now we have two cases:

If  $f_E$  is finite, then the result holds.

If  $f_E = \tilde{I}_E$ . Suppose  $\gamma$  is a fuzzy soft open p-cover of  $f_E = \tilde{I}_E$ . Choose  $x_1^e \in \tilde{I}_E$ , then there is  $O_{x_1^e} \in \gamma$  and so,  $O_{x_1^e}^c$  is finite. Now take  $g_E = \{(e, f(e)) : f(e) = y_1^i, e \in E \text{ and } y_1^i \in Ssup(O_{x_1^e}^c)\}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  which is finite, thus for

all  $y_1^i \in g_E$  there exist  $O_{y_1^i} \in \gamma$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , and so the family  $\{O_{y_1^i} : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} \cup \{O_{x_1^e}\}$  is a finite open p-subcover of  $f_E = \tilde{I}_E$ , then  $\tilde{I}_E$  is p-compact. Hence  $(X, \delta_\infty, E)$  is fuzzy soft  $p^*$ -compact.

**Note 2.** Clearly, every fuzzy soft  $p^*$ -compact space is fuzzy soft compact in the sense of Definition 3.1. But the converse is not necessary true, this fact can be shown by the following example.

**Example 3.6.** Let  $X$  be an infinite set and  $\delta = \{\tilde{I}_E\} \cup \{f_E \in FSS(X, E) : f_E \sqsubseteq 0.5_E\}$ , then it is easy to check that  $(X, \delta, E)$  is a fuzzy soft compact space but it is not fuzzy soft  $p^*$ -compact. Indeed the fuzzy soft set  $f_E = 0.5_E \in FSC(X, \delta, E)$  and the family  $\gamma = \{x_{0.5}^e : e \in E, x \in X\}$  is

a fuzzy soft open p-cover of  $f_E$  which has no a finite open p-subcover. Hence the result holds.

**Note 3.** Clearly, every fuzzy soft  $p^*$ -compact space is fuzzy soft p-compact. But the converse may not be true in general, this fact can be shown by the pervious example.

**Proposition 3.7.** Let  $(X, \delta_2, E)$  be a fuzzy soft p-compact ( $p^*$ -compact) space and  $\delta_1 \subseteq \delta_2$ , then  $(X, \delta_1, E)$  is fuzzy soft p-compact ( $p^*$ -compact).

**Proof.** For the first case, let  $\{f_{iE} : i \in J\}$  be a fuzzy soft open p-cover of  $\tilde{I}_E$  by fuzzy soft open sets of  $(X, \delta_1, E)$ . Since  $\delta_1 \subseteq \delta_2$ , then  $\{f_{iE} : i \in J\}$  is a fuzzy soft open p-cover of  $\tilde{I}_E$  by fuzzy soft open sets of  $(X, \delta_2, E)$ . But  $(X, \delta_2, E)$  is fuzzy soft p-compact. So that, for all  $x_\alpha^e \in \tilde{I}_E$  there exists  $\{i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n : i \in J\}$  such that  $x_\alpha^e \in f_{iE}$ , then  $\{f_{iE} : i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  is a finite fuzzy soft open p-subcover of  $\tilde{I}_E$ . Hence  $(X, \delta_1, E)$  is a fuzzy soft p-compact space. The proof of the rest case is obvious.

**Note 4.** Clearly, if  $X$  be a finite set, then  $(X, \delta, E)$  is fuzzy soft  $p^*$ -compact. But the convers may not be true as shown by the following example.

**Example 3.8.** Let  $X$  be an infinite set and  $\delta_c = \{\alpha_E : \alpha \in I\}$  then  $(X, \delta_c, E)$  is a fuzzy soft  $p^*$ -compact space.

**Corollary 3.9.** Let  $(X, \delta, E)$  be the discrete fuzzy soft topological space, then  $(X, \delta, E)$  is fuzzy soft  $p^*$ -compact iff  $X$  is finite.

**Proof.** Let  $(X, \delta, E)$  be the discrete fuzzy soft  $p^*$ -compact space. Suppose that  $X$  an infinite set. Since  $(X, \delta, E)$  is fuzzy soft  $p^*$ -compact, then for every fuzzy soft closed set over  $X$  is a fuzzy soft p-compact set. Let  $f_E$  is a fuzzy soft closed set, then for all fuzzy soft open p-cover of  $f_E$  has a finite open p-subcover. Take  $\gamma = \{x_\alpha^e : e \in E, x \in X\}$ , then  $\gamma$  is an open p-cover of  $f_E$  which has no a finite open p-subcover. This is contradiction. Hence  $X$  is a finite set. Conversely, the proof follows direct from Note 4.

**Definition 3.10.** Let  $\eta = \{f_{iE} : i \in J\}$  be a family of fuzzy soft sets and  $g_E \in FSS(X, E)$ . Then:

i)  $\eta$  is said to be have fuzzy soft q-intersection with respect to (w.r.t. , for short )  $g_E$  iff there exists  $x_\alpha^e \in g_E$  such that  $x_\alpha^e q f_{iE}$  for all  $i \in J$ .

ii)  $\eta$  is called has the fuzzy soft finite intersection property (FSFIP, for short) w.r.t.  $g_E$  iff every finite subfamily of  $\eta$  has fuzzy soft q-intersection w.r.t.  $g_E$ .

**Theorem 3.11.** Let  $(X, \delta, E)$  be a fuzzy soft topological space. A fuzzy soft set  $g_E$  is p-compact if and only if every family of fuzzy soft closed sets over  $X$  having the FSFIP w.r.t.  $g_E$  has fuzzy soft q-intersection w.r.t.  $g_E$ .

**Proof.** Let  $g_E \in FSS(X, E)$  be fuzzy soft p-compact and let  $\eta = \{f_{iE} : i \in J\}$  be the family of fuzzy soft closed sets over  $X$  which has the FSFIP w.r.t.  $g_E$ . Now suppose  $\eta$  has no fuzzy soft q-intersection w.r.t.  $g_E$ . Then for all  $x_\alpha^e \in g_E \exists i \in J$  such that  $x_\alpha^e \not q f_{iE}$  and so,  $\eta^c = \{f_{iE}^c : i \in J\}$  is a fuzzy soft open p-cover of  $g_E$ . Since  $g_E$  is p-compact, then there is a finite open p-subcover of  $\eta^c$  say,  $\{f_{sE}^c : s = 1, 2, \dots, n \in J\}$ . So,  $\{f_{sE} : s = 1, 2, \dots, n \in J\}$  has no fuzzy soft q-intersection w.r.t.  $g_E$ . Contradiction that  $\eta$  has the



*FSFIP* w.r.t.  $g_E$ . Hence we obtain the result.

Conversely, let the family  $\eta = \{O_{x_\alpha}^i : i \in J\}$  be a fuzz soft open p-cover of  $g_E$ . Then  $\eta^c = \{(O_{x_\alpha}^i)^c : i \in J\}$  has no fuzzy soft q-intersection w.r.t.  $g_E$ . Thus  $\eta^c$  has no *FSFIP* w.r.t.  $g_E$ . So there are  $i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n \in J$  such that  $\{(O_{x_\alpha}^{i_s})^c : s = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  has no fuzzy soft q-intersection w.r.t.  $g_E$ . Then  $\{O_{x_\alpha}^{i_s} : s = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  is a finite open p-subcover of  $g_E$ . Hence  $g_E$  is p-compact.

**Theorem 3.12.** Every fuzzy soft closed subspace  $(X, \delta_Y, E)$  of a fuzzy soft  $p^*$ -compact space  $(X, \delta, E)$  is a fuzz soft  $p^*$ -compact space.

**Proof.** Obvious.

**Theorem 3.13.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space, then  $(X, \delta_\tau, E)$  is fuzzy soft  $p^*$ -compact if and only if  $(X, \tau)$  is compact.

**Proof.** Let  $(X, \delta_\tau, E)$  be fuzzy soft  $p^*$ -compact and the family  $\{A_i : i \in J\}$  is an open cover of  $X$ , then  $\{\tilde{\chi}_{A_i} : A_i \in \tau, i \in J\}$  is a fuzzy soft open p-cover of  $\tilde{I}_E$ . Since  $\tilde{I}_E$  is fuzzy soft p-compact, then there is a finite open p-subcover, say  $\{\tilde{\chi}_{A_i} : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  and so, the family  $\{A_i : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  is a finite fuzzy soft open subcover of  $X$ . Hence  $(X, \tau)$  is compact.

Conversely, let  $(X, \tau)$  is compact and  $g_E \in \delta_\tau^c$ , then  $g_E = \tilde{\chi}_B, B \in \tau^c$  implies  $B$  is compact. Since  $\tilde{\chi}_B = g_E$ , then  $\tilde{\chi}_B = g_E$  is fuzzy soft p-compact. Hence  $(X, \delta_\tau, E)$  is  $p^*$ -compact.

**Theorem 3.14.** Let  $(X, \delta, E)$  be a fuzz soft topological space. If  $(X, \delta, E)$  is fuzzy soft  $p^*$ -compact, then  $(X, \tau_\delta)$  is compact.

**Proof.** It is similar to that of the necessity part of the above theorem.

**Note 5.** The converse of the above theorem may not be true in general. This is can be shown by the Example 3.6, where  $\tau_\delta = \{\emptyset, X\}$  is compact.

## 4 Fuzzy soft separation axioms and $p^*$ -compactness

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $(X, \delta, E)$  be a *FST<sub>3</sub>* - space and  $g_E \in FSS(X, E)$  be a p-compact set, then for all  $f_E \in \delta^c$  with  $f_E \tilde{q} g_E$  there are  $O_{f_E}, O_{g_E} \in \delta$  such that  $O_{f_E} \tilde{q} O_{g_E}$ .

**Proof.** Let  $(X, \delta, E)$  be a *FST<sub>3</sub>* - space,  $f_E \in \delta^c$  and  $g_E \in FSS(X, E)$  is fuzzy soft p-compact, then for every  $y_\beta^e \in g_E$  there exist  $O_{y_\beta^e}, O_{f_E} \in \delta$  such that  $O_{y_\beta^e} \tilde{q} O_{f_E}$ . Clearly,  $\{O_{y_\beta^e} : y_\beta^e \in g_E\}$  is a fuzzy soft open p-cover of  $g_E$ . Since  $g_E$  is fuzzy soft p-compact, then there exists a finite fuzzy soft open p-subcover of  $g_E$  say,  $\{O_{y_\beta^e}^i : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . One readily verifies that  $O_{g_E} = \sqcup_{i=1}^n O_{y_\beta^e}^i$  and  $O_{f_E} = \sqcap_{i=1}^n O_{y_\beta^e}^i$  have the required property.

**Theorem 4.2.** Let  $(X, \delta, E)$  be a *FST<sub>2</sub>*-space,  $x_\alpha^e \in FSP(X, E)$  and  $g_E$  be fuzzy soft p-compact with  $x_\alpha^e \tilde{q} g_E$ , then there are  $O_{x_\alpha^e}$  and  $O_{g_E} \in \delta$  such that  $O_{x_\alpha^e} \tilde{q} O_{g_E}$ . Moreover, if  $f_E$  and  $g_E$  are fuzzy soft p-compact with  $f_E \tilde{q} g_E$ , then there are  $O_{f_E}$  and  $O_{g_E} \in \delta$  such that  $O_{f_E} \tilde{q} O_{g_E}$ .

**Proof.** It is similar to that of the above theorem.

**Theorem 4.3.** Every fuzzy soft p-compact set in *FST<sub>2</sub>*-space is a fuzzy soft closed set.

**Proof.** Let  $g_E$  be a fuzzy soft p-compact set in *FST<sub>2</sub>*-space  $(X, \delta, E)$ , then from the above theorem we have for every  $x_\alpha^e \tilde{q} g_E$  there exists  $O_{x_\alpha^e} \in \delta$  such that  $O_{x_\alpha^e} \tilde{q} g_E$  that is, for all  $x_\alpha^e \in g_E^c$  there exists  $O_{x_\alpha^e} \in \delta$  such that  $O_{x_\alpha^e} \in g_E^c$ . Therefore,  $g_E^c$  is fuzzy soft open. Hence the result holds.

**Theorem 4.4.** Every fuzzy soft  $p^*$ -compact *T<sub>2</sub>*-space  $(X, \delta, E)$  is a fuzzy soft *T<sub>4</sub>*-space.

**Proof.** Let  $(X, \delta, E)$  be a fuzzy soft  $p^*$ -compact *T<sub>2</sub>*-space and  $f_E, g_E \in \delta^c$  with  $f_E \tilde{q} g_E$ . Since  $(X, \delta, E)$  is fuzzy soft  $p^*$ -compact, then  $f_E, g_E$  are fuzzy soft p-compact and so, from Theorem 4.2, there exist  $O_{f_E}, O_{g_E} \in \delta$  such that  $O_{f_E} \tilde{q} O_{g_E}$ . Hence  $(X, \delta, E)$  is a fuzzy soft *T<sub>4</sub>*-space.

**Theorem 4.5.** Let  $(X, \delta, E)$  be a *FSR<sub>1</sub>*-space. Then  $(X, \delta, E)$  is a *FST<sub>2</sub>*-space if and only if every fuzzy soft p-compact set is closed.

**Proof.** The necessity follows from Theorem 4.3. Conversely, let every fuzzy soft p-compact set is closed, then  $(X, \delta, E)$  is a *FST<sub>1</sub>*-space (see [16], Theorem 3.4). Since  $(X, \delta, E)$  are *FSR<sub>1</sub>* and *FST<sub>1</sub>*, then  $(X, \delta, E)$  is a *FST<sub>2</sub>*-space (see [16], Theorem 3.9).

**Theorem 4.6.** Let  $(X, \delta, E)$  be a fuzzy soft topological space, then every  $p^*$ -compact *FSR<sub>1</sub>*-space is a fuzzy soft regular(normal) space.

**Proof.** Let  $(X, \delta, E)$  be a  $p^*$ -compact *FSR<sub>1</sub>*-space and  $f_E \in \delta^c$  with  $x_\alpha^e \tilde{q} f_E$ . Then for all fuzzy soft point  $y_\beta^e \in f_E$  we have,  $x_\alpha^e \tilde{q} y_\beta^e$ . Since  $(X, \delta, E)$  is *FSR<sub>1</sub>*, then there exist  $O_{x_\alpha^e}$  and  $O_{y_\beta^e} \in \delta$  such that  $O_{x_\alpha^e} \tilde{q} O_{y_\beta^e}$ . Then the family  $\{O_{y_\beta^e} : y_\beta^e \in f_E\}$  is a fuzzy soft open p-cover of  $f_E$ . Since  $(X, \delta, E)$  is fuzzy soft  $p^*$ -compact, then  $f_E$  is fuzzy soft p-compact, and so there exists  $\{O_{y_\beta^e}^i : y_\beta^e \in f_E, i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  is a finite fuzzy soft p-subcover of  $f_E$ . Now take  $O_{x_\alpha^e}^* = \sqcap_{i=1}^n O_{y_\beta^e}^i$  and  $O_{f_E} = \sqcup_{i=1}^n O_{y_\beta^e}^i$ , then  $O_{x_\alpha^e}^*, O_{f_E} \in \delta$  and  $O_{x_\alpha^e}^* \tilde{q} O_{f_E}$ . Hence the result holds. The proof of the rest case is similar.

**Corollary 4.7.** Let  $(X, \delta, E)$  be fuzzy soft  $p^*$ -compact, then the following statements are equivalent:

- i)  $(X, \delta, E)$  is fuzzy soft *R<sub>1</sub>*.
- ii)  $(X, \delta, E)$  is fuzzy soft regular,
- iii)  $(X, \delta, E)$  is *FSR<sub>0</sub>* and fuzzy soft normal.

**Proof.** Obvious.

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