# Somewhat Fuzzy Semi $\alpha$-Irresolute Functions 

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#### Abstract

In this paper the concepts of somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute functions and strongly somewhat fuzzy semi-open functions are introduced and studied. Besides giving characterizations of these functions, some interesting properties of these functions are also given.


## RESUMEN

En este artículo son introducidos y estudiados lon conceptos de funciones semi fuzzy $\alpha$-irresoluta y funciones fuertemente fuzzy semi-abiertas. Propiedades de esta clase de funciones son dadas.

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## 1 Introduction

The fuzzy concept has invaded almost all branches of mathematics ever since the introduction of fuzzy sets by L.A.Zadeh [12]. Fuzzy sets have applications in many fields such as information [6] and control [8]. The theory of fuzzy topological spaces was introduced and developed by C.L.Chang [3] and since then various notions in classical topology have been extended to fuzzy topological spaces. The concept of somewhat continuous functions was introduced by Karl R.Gentry and Hughes B.Hoyle III in [4] and this concept was studied in connection with the idea of feeble continuous function and feebly open function introduced and by Zdenek Frolik in [13]. The concept of semi $\alpha$-irresolute functions was introduced and studied in [11]. The concepts of somewhat fuzzy continuous functions and somewhat fuzzy semi-continuous functions was introduced and studied by G. Thangaraj and G. Balasubramanian in [9] and [10] respectively. In this paper we introduce the concepts of somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute functions and strongly somewhat fuzzy semi-open functions and study their properties.

## 2 Preliminaries

By a fuzzy topological space we shall mean a non-empty set $X$ together with fuzzy topology $T$ [3] and denote it by $(X, T)$. A fuzzy point in $X$ with support $x \in X$ and value $\mathrm{p}(0<\mathrm{p}$ $\leq 1)$ is denoted by $x_{p}$. The complement $\mu^{\prime}$ of a fuzzy set $\mu$ is $1-\mu$, defined by $\mu^{\prime}(x)=\left(1_{X}\right.$ $-\mu)(x)=1-\mu(x)$, for all $x \in X$ [3]. If $\lambda$ is a fuzzy set in $X$ and $\mu$ is a fuzzy set in $Y$, then $\lambda \times \mu$ is a fuzzy set in $X \times Y$, defined by $(\lambda \times \mu)(x, y)=\min (\lambda(x), \mu(y))$, for every $(x, y)$ in $X \times Y$ [1]. A fuzzy topological space $X$ is product related to a fuzzy topological space $Y$ [1] if for fuzzy sets $\gamma$ in $X$ and $\xi$ in $Y$ whenever $\lambda^{\prime}(=1-\lambda) \nsupseteq \gamma$ and $\mu^{\prime}(=1-\mu) \nsupseteq \xi$ (in which case $\left.\left(\lambda^{\prime} \times 1\right) \vee\left(1 \times \mu^{\prime}\right) \geq(\gamma \times \xi)\right)$ where $\lambda$ is a fuzzy open set in $X$ and $\mu$ is a fuzzy open set in $Y$, there exists a fuzzy open set $\lambda_{1}$ in $X$ and a fuzzy open set $\mu_{1}$ in $Y$ such that $\lambda_{1}{ }^{\prime} \geq \gamma$ or $\mu_{1}{ }^{\prime} \geq \xi$ and $\left(\lambda_{1}{ }^{\prime} \times 1\right) \vee\left(1 \times \mu_{1}^{\prime}\right)=\left(\lambda^{\prime} \times 1\right) \vee\left(1 \times \mu^{\prime}\right)$. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a mapping from $X$ to $Y$. If $\lambda$ is a fuzzy set in $X, f(\lambda)$ is defined by

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f(\lambda)(y)=\left\{\begin{array}{lc}
\operatorname{Sup}_{x \in f^{-1}(y)}(x), & \text { if } f^{-1}(y) \neq \phi \\
0, & \text { otherwise }
\end{array}\right.
$$

for each $y \in Y$; and if $\mu$ is a fuzzy set in $Y, f^{-1}(\mu)$ is defined by $f^{-1}(\mu)(x)=\mu f(x)$, for
each $x \in X$ [3]. Let $f$ be a mapping from $X$ to $Y$. Then the graph $g$ of $f$ is mapping from $X$ to $X \times Y$ sending $x$ in $X$ to $(x, f(x))$. For two mappings $f_{1}: X_{1} \rightarrow Y_{1}$ and $f_{2}: X_{2} \rightarrow$ $Y_{2}$, we define the product $f_{1} \times f_{2}$ of $f_{1}$ and $f_{2}$ to be a mapping from $X_{1} \times X_{2}$ to $Y_{1} \times Y_{2}$ sending $\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right)$ in $X_{1} \times X_{2}$ to $\left(f_{1}\left(x_{1}\right), f_{2}\left(x_{2}\right)\right)$. For any fuzzy set $\lambda$ in a fuzzy topological space, it is shown in [1] that (i) $1-\operatorname{cl} \lambda=\operatorname{int}(1-\lambda)$, (ii) $\operatorname{cl}(1-\lambda)=1-$ int $\lambda$. A fuzzy set $\lambda$ in fuzzy topological space $(X, T)$ is called fuzzy $\alpha$-dense if there exists no fuzzy $\alpha$-closed set $\mu$ such that $\lambda<\mu<1$.

Definition 2.1 [5]: A function $f:(X, T) \rightarrow(Y, S)$ is said to be fuzzy $\alpha$-irresolute if $f^{-1}(\lambda)$ is fuzzy $\alpha$-open set in $(X, T)$ for every fuzzy $\alpha$-open set $\lambda$ of $(Y, S)$.

Definition 2.2 [7]: A function from a fuzzy topological space $(X, T)$ to a fuzzy topological space $(Y, S)$ is said to be fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute if $f^{-1}(\lambda)$ is fuzzy semi-open set in $(X$, $T)$ for each fuzzy $\alpha$-open set $\lambda$ in $(Y, S)$.

Definition 2.3 [10]: Let $(X, T)$ and $(Y, S)$ be fuzzy topological spaces. A function $f:(X$, $T) \rightarrow(Y, S)$ is called somewhat fuzzy semi-open function if and only if for all $\lambda \in T$, $\lambda \neq 0$ there exists a fuzzy semi-open set $\mu$ in $Y$ such that $\mu \neq 0$ and $\mu \leq f(\lambda)$.

Definition 2.4 Let $(X, T)$ be a fuzzy topological space and $\lambda$ be any fuzzy set in $X$.

1. $\lambda$ is called fuzzy $\alpha$-open set [2] if $\lambda \leq$ int cl int $\lambda$
2. $\lambda$ is called fuzzy semi-open set [1] if $\lambda \leq c l$ int $\lambda$

The complement of fuzzy $\alpha$-open (fuzzy semi-open) set is called fuzzy $\alpha$-closed (fuzzy semi-closed) set.

## 3 Somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute functions

The concept of fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute functions was introduced and studied in [7]. In this section we shall introduce the concept of somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute functions and study their properties.

Definition 3.1 Let $(X, T)$ and $(Y, S)$ be any two fuzzy topological spaces. A function $f$ $:(X, T) \rightarrow(Y, S)$ is said to be somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute if for any non-zero fuzzy $\alpha$-open set $\lambda$ in $Y$ and $f^{-1}(\lambda) \neq 0$ then there exists a fuzzy semi-open set $\mu \neq 0$ in $X$ such that $\mu \leq f^{-1}(\lambda)$.

Clearly every fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute function is somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute, but the converse is not true as the following example shows:-

Example 3.1 Let $\mu_{1}, \mu_{2}$ and $\mu_{3}$ be fuzzy sets on $I=[0,1]$

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\begin{aligned}
& \mu_{1}(x)= \begin{cases}0, & 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\
2 x-1, & \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1\end{cases} \\
& \mu_{2}(x)= \begin{cases}1, & 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{4} \\
-4 x+2, & \frac{1}{4} \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\
0, & \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1\end{cases} \\
& \mu_{3}(x)= \begin{cases}0, & 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{4} \\
\frac{1}{3}(4 x-1), & \frac{1}{4} \leq x \leq 1\end{cases}
\end{aligned}
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Let $S_{1}=\left\{0, \mu_{2}, \mu_{3},\left(\mu_{2} \vee \mu_{3}\right),\left(\mu_{2} \wedge \mu_{3}\right), 1\right\}$ and $S_{2}=\left\{0, \mu_{2}, 1\right\}$. Then $S_{1}$ and $S_{2}$ are fuzzy topologies on $I$. Let $f:\left(I, S_{1}\right) \rightarrow\left(I, S_{2}\right)$ be defined by $f(x)=x / 2$ for each $x \in I$. Let $\lambda$ be fuzzy set such that $0<\lambda<\mu_{2}$. Then $\lambda$ is not fuzzy $\alpha$-open set in $\left(I, S_{2}\right)$. Therefore the only non-zero fuzzy $\alpha$-open sets in $\left(I, S_{2}\right)$ are $1, \mu_{2}$ and fuzzy sets $\rho$ such that $\mu_{2}<\rho<$ 1. Now $f^{-1}(1)=1 ; f^{-1}\left(\mu_{2}\right)=\mu_{1}^{\prime}$ and $f^{-1}(\rho)=1$. The fuzzy semi-open set $\mu_{2}$ in $\left(I, S_{1}\right)$ is contained in $f^{-1}(1), f^{-1}\left(\mu_{2}\right)$ and $f^{-1}(\rho)$. This proves $f$ is somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute function from $\left(I, S_{1}\right)$ to $\left(I, S_{2}\right)$. It can be easily seen that int $\mu_{1}{ }^{\prime}=\mu_{2}$ and cl $\mu_{2}=\mu_{3}{ }^{\prime}$ in $\left(I, S_{1}\right)$. Now $\mu_{2}$ is a fuzzy $\alpha$-open set in $\left(I, S_{2}\right)$. Since $\mu_{1}{ }^{\prime} \not \leq$ cl int $\mu_{1}{ }^{\prime}$ in $\left(I, S_{1}\right), \mu_{1}{ }^{\prime}$ is not fuzzy semi-open set in $\left(I, S_{1}\right)$. Then $f^{-1}\left(\mu_{2}\right)=\mu_{1}{ }^{\prime}$, which is not a fuzzy semi-open set in $\left(I, S_{1}\right)$. Hence $f$ is not fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute function.

Theorem 3.1 Let $f:(X, T) \rightarrow(Y, S)$ and $g:(Y, S) \rightarrow(Z, Q)$ be any two functions. If $f$ is somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute and $g$ is fuzzy $\alpha$-irresolute, then $g \circ f$ is somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute.

Proof: Let $\lambda$ be non-zero fuzzy $\alpha$-open set in $(Z, Q)$. Since $g$ is fuzzy $\alpha$-irresolute, $g^{-\mathbf{1}}(\lambda)$ $\neq 0$ is fuzzy $\alpha$-open set in $(Y, S)$. Now $(g \circ f)^{-1}(\lambda)=f^{-1}\left(g^{-\mathbf{1}}(\lambda)\right) \neq 0$. Since $g^{-\mathbf{1}}(\lambda)$ is fuzzy $\alpha$-open in $(Y, S)$ and $f$ is somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute, we conclude that there exists a fuzzy semi-open set $\mu \neq 0$ in $(X, T)$ such that $\mu \leq f^{-1}\left(g^{-\mathbf{1}}(\lambda)\right)=(g \circ f)^{-1}(\lambda)$. Hence $g \circ f$ is somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute.

In above Theorem 3.1 if $f$ is either fuzzy $\alpha$-irresolute or fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute and $g$ is somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute, then it is not necessarily true that $g \circ f$ is somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute as the following example shows:-

Example 3.2 Define $f: I \rightarrow I$ by $f(x)=x /$ 2. Let $\mu_{1}, \mu_{2}$ and $\mu_{3}$ be fuzzy sets in $I$ described in Example 3.1. Let $T_{1}=\left\{0, \mu_{1}, \mu_{2}, \mu_{1} \vee \mu_{2}, 1\right\} ; T_{2}=\left\{0, \mu_{2}^{\prime}, 1\right\}$ and $T_{3}=\{0$,
$\left.\mu_{3}{ }^{\prime}, 1\right\}$. Then $T_{1}, T_{2}$ and $T_{3}$ are fuzzy topologies on $I$. Consider the mapping $f:\left(I, T_{3}\right) \rightarrow$ $\left(I, T_{1}\right)$. It can be easily seen that int $\mu_{1}^{\prime}=\mu_{3}^{\prime}$; cl $\mu_{3}^{\prime}=1$; cl $\mu_{1}^{\prime}=1$ in $\left(I, T_{3}\right)$. Since int $\mu_{1}^{\prime}=\mu_{3}^{\prime}$ and cl $\mu_{3}^{\prime}=1$, $\mu_{1}^{\prime}$ is fuzzy semi-open set and also fuzzy $\alpha$-open set in $\left(I, T_{3}\right)$. Let $\lambda$, $\rho$ and $\delta$ be fuzzy sets such that $0<\lambda<\mu_{1}, \mu_{1}<\rho<\mu_{2}$ and $\mu_{2}<\delta<\left(\mu_{1} \vee \mu_{2}\right)$. Then $\lambda$, $\rho$ and $\delta$ are not fuzzy $\alpha$-open sets in $\left(I, T_{1}\right)$. Therefore the only fuzzy $\alpha$-open sets in $\left(I, T_{1}\right)$ are $0,1, \mu_{1}, \mu_{2}, \mu_{1} \vee \mu_{2}$ and fuzzy sets $\mu$ such that $\left(\mu_{1} \vee \mu_{2}\right)<\mu<1$. Now $f^{-1}(0)=0 ; f$ ${ }^{-1}(1)=1 ; f^{-1}\left(\mu_{1}\right)=0 ; f^{-1}\left(\mu_{2}\right)=\mu_{1}^{\prime}=f^{-1}\left(\mu_{1} \vee \mu_{2}\right)$ and $f^{-1}(\mu)=1$ are fuzzy $\alpha$-open sets in $\left(I, T_{3}\right)$ and also fuzzy semi-open sets in $\left(I, T_{3}\right)$. Therefore $f$ is fuzzy $\alpha$-irresolute from $\left(I, T_{3}\right)$ to $\left(I, T_{1}\right)$ and also $f$ is fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute from $\left(I, T_{3}\right)$ to $\left(I, T_{1}\right)$. Let $g:\left(I, T_{1}\right) \rightarrow\left(I, T_{2}\right)$ be defined by $g(x)=x$, for each $x \in I$. Let $\lambda$ be fuzzy set such that $0<\lambda<\mu_{2}^{\prime}$. Then $\lambda$ is not fuzzy $\alpha$-open set in $\left(I, T_{2}\right)$. Therefore the only non-zero fuzzy $\alpha$-open set are $1, \mu_{2}^{\prime}$ and fuzzy sets $\rho$ such that $\mu_{2}^{\prime}<\rho<1$. Now $g^{-\mathbf{1}}(1)=1 ; g^{-\mathbf{1}}\left(\mu_{2}^{\prime}\right)$ $=\mu_{2}^{\prime}$ and $g^{-\mathbf{1}}(\rho)=1$. The fuzzy semi-open set $\mu_{1}$ in $\left(I, T_{1}\right)$ is contained in $g^{-\mathbf{1}}(1), g^{-\mathbf{1}}($ $\left.\mu_{2}^{\prime}\right)$ and $g^{-1}(\rho)$. Therefore $g$ is somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute function.

Now consider the functions $(g \circ f):\left(I, T_{3}\right) \rightarrow\left(I, T_{2}\right)$. Then $(g \circ f)^{-1}\left(\mu_{2}^{\prime}\right)=$ $f^{-1}\left(g^{-1}\left(\mu_{2}^{\prime}\right)\right)=f^{-1}\left(\mu_{2}^{\prime}\right)=\mu_{1}$ and $(g \circ f)^{-1}(1)=f^{-1}\left(g^{-1}(1)\right)=f^{-1}(1)=1$. But $(g \circ$ $f)^{-1}\left(\mu_{2}^{\prime}\right)=\mu_{1}$ and there is no non-zero fuzzy semi-open set in $\left(I, T_{3}\right)$ such that it is contained in $(g \circ f)^{-1}\left(\mu_{2}^{\prime}\right)=\mu_{1}$. Therefore $(g \circ f)$ is not somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute function.

Definition 3.2 [10]: A fuzzy set $\lambda$ in fuzzy topological space $(X, T)$ is called fuzzy semidense if there exists no fuzzy semi-closed set $\mu$ such that $\lambda<\mu<1$.

Theorem 3.2 : Let $(X, T)$ and $(Y, S)$ be any two fuzzy topological spaces and $f:(X, T)$ $\rightarrow(Y, S)$ be a function. Then the following assertions are equivalent.
(1) $f$ is somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute.
(2) If $\lambda$ is a fuzzy $\alpha$-closed set in $Y$ such that $f^{-1}(\lambda) \neq 1$, then there exists a fuzzy semi-closed set $\mu \neq 1$ in $X$ such that $\mu \geq f^{-1}(\lambda)$.
(3) If $\lambda$ is a fuzzy semi-dense set in $X$, then $f(\lambda)$ is fuzzy $\alpha$-dense set in $Y$.

Proof: $(1) \Rightarrow(2)$ : Suppose $f$ is somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute and $\lambda$ is a fuzzy $\alpha$-closed set in $Y$ such that $f^{-1}(\lambda) \neq 1$. Therefore clearly $1-\lambda$ is fuzzy $\alpha$-open set in $Y$, and $f^{-1}(1-\lambda)=1-f^{-1}(\lambda) \neq 0$ (since $\left.f^{-1}(\lambda) \neq 1\right)$. By $(1)$, there exists a fuzzy semi-open set $\eta$ in $X$ such that $\eta \leq f^{-1}(1-\lambda)$. That is, $\eta \leq 1-f^{-1}(\lambda)$ which implies that $f^{-1}(\lambda) \leq$ $1-\eta$. Clearly $1-\eta$ is fuzzy semi-closed set and taking $\mu=1-\eta$, we have therefore $f^{-1}(\lambda)$ $\leq \mu$. Thus we find that $(1) \Rightarrow(2)$ is proved.
$(2) \Rightarrow(3)$ : Let $\lambda$ be a fuzzy semi-dense set in $X$ and suppose $f(\lambda)$ is not fuzzy $\alpha$-dense in $Y$. Then there exists a fuzzy $\alpha$-closed set $\eta$ (say) in $Y$ such that

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\begin{equation*}
f(\lambda)<\eta<1 \tag{A}
\end{equation*}
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Since $\eta<1, f^{-1}(\eta) \neq 1$ and so by (2) there exists a fuzzy semi-closed set $\delta(\delta \neq 1)$ such that $\delta \geq f^{-1}(\eta)>f^{-1}(f(\lambda)) \geq \lambda($ from $(A))$. That is, there exists a fuzzy semi-closed set $\delta$ such that $\delta>\lambda$ which is contradiction to the assumption on $\lambda$.Therefore $(2) \Rightarrow(3)$ is proved.
$(3) \Rightarrow(1)$ : Suppose $\lambda$ is fuzzy $\alpha$-open set in $Y$ and $f^{-1}(\lambda) \neq 0$ and therefore $\lambda \neq 0$. Suppose there exists no fuzzy semi-open set $\mu$ in $X$ such that $\mu \leq f^{-1}(\lambda)$. Then $1-f^{-1}(\lambda)$ is fuzzy set in $X$ such that there is no fuzzy semi-closed set $\delta$ in $X$ with $1-f^{-1}(\lambda)<\delta<1$ (otherwise $1-f^{-1}(\lambda)<\delta \Rightarrow 1-\delta \leq f^{-1}(\lambda)$ and $1-\delta$ is fuzzy semi-open set, which is a contradiction). This means $1-f^{-1}(\lambda)$ is fuzzy semi-dense in $X$. Then by $(3), f\left(1-f^{-1}(\lambda)\right)$ is fuzzy $\alpha$-dense in $Y$. But $f\left(1-f^{-1}(\lambda)\right)=f\left(f^{-1}(1-\lambda)\right)<1-\lambda<1($ since $\lambda \neq 0)$. This is contradiction to the fact that $f\left(1-f^{-1}(\lambda)\right)$ is fuzzy $\alpha$-dense. Therefore, there exists a fuzzy semi-open set $\mu$ in $X$ such that $\mu \leq f^{-1}(\lambda)$. Hence $f$ is somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute function.

Theorem 3.3 Let $\left(X_{1}, T_{1}\right)$, $\left(X_{2}, T_{2}\right),\left(Y_{1}, S_{1}\right)$ and $\left(Y_{2}, S_{2}\right)$ be fuzzy topological spaces such that $X_{1}$ is product related to $X_{2}$ and $Y_{1}$ is product related to $Y_{2}$. Let $f_{1}: X_{1} \rightarrow Y_{1}$ and $f_{2}$ : $X_{2} \rightarrow Y_{2}$ be somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute functions. Then $f_{1} \times f_{2}: X_{1} \times X_{2} \rightarrow Y_{1} \times$ $Y_{2}$ is somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute function.

Proof: Let $\lambda=\bigvee_{i, j}\left(\lambda_{i} \times \mu_{j}\right)$ be fuzzy $\alpha$-open set in $Y_{1} \times Y_{2}$ (where $\lambda_{i}$ and $\mu_{j}$ are fuzzy $\alpha$-open sets in $Y_{1}$ and $Y_{2}$, respectively). We can assume that $\lambda_{i}$ 's and $\mu_{j}$ 's are not all zeros. If any one is zero, that factor can be omitted. $\operatorname{Now}\left(f_{1} \times f_{2}\right)^{-1}(\lambda)=\left(f_{1} \times f_{2}\right)^{-1}\left(\bigvee_{i, j}\left(\lambda_{i} \times \mu_{j}\right)\right)=\bigvee_{i, j}\left(f_{1} \times f_{2}\right)^{-1}\left(\lambda_{i} \times \mu_{j}\right)=$ $\bigvee_{i, j}\left(f_{1}^{-1}\left(\lambda_{i}\right) \times f_{2}^{-1}\left(\mu_{j}\right)\right)$. Since $f_{1}: X_{1} \rightarrow Y_{1}$ is somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute and $\lambda_{i}$ is fuzzy $\alpha$-open set in $Y_{1}$ and $f_{1}^{-1}\left(\lambda_{i}\right) \neq 0$, there exists a fuzzy semi-open set $\delta_{i}$ in $X_{1}$ such that $\delta_{i} \leq f_{1}^{-1}\left(\lambda_{i}\right)$. Also since $f_{2}: X_{2} \rightarrow Y_{2}$ is somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute and $\mu_{j}$ is fuzzy $\alpha$-open set in $Y_{2}$ and $f_{2}^{-1}\left(\mu_{j}\right) \neq 0$, there exists a fuzzy semi-open set $\eta_{j}$ in $X_{2}$ such that $\eta_{j} \leq f_{2}^{-1}\left(\mu_{j}\right)$. Therefore $\delta_{i} \times \eta_{j} \leq$ $f_{1}^{-1}\left(\lambda_{i}\right) \times f_{2}^{-1}\left(\mu_{j}\right)=\left(f_{1} \times f_{2}\right)^{-1}\left(\lambda_{i} \times \mu_{j}\right)$. Then by Theorem 4.3 and Theorem 4.6 in [1] $\bigvee_{i, j}\left(\delta_{i} \times \eta_{j}\right)$ is a fuzzy semi-open set and $\bigvee_{i, j}\left(\delta_{i} \times \eta_{j}\right) \leq \bigvee_{i, j}\left(f_{1} \times f_{2}\right)^{-1}$ $\left(\lambda_{i} \times \mu_{j}\right)=\left(f_{1} \times f_{2}\right)^{-1}\left(\underset{i, j}{ }\left(\lambda_{i} \times \mu_{j}\right)\right)=\left(f_{1} \times f_{2}\right)^{-1}(\lambda)$. This proves $f_{1} \times f_{2}$ is somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute.

The following lemma which is established in [1] is required to prove Theorem 3.4.

Lemma 3.1 [1]: Let $g: X \rightarrow X \times Y$ be the graph of a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$. If $\lambda$ is a fuzzy set in $X$ and $\mu$ is a fuzzy set in $Y$, then $g^{-\mathbf{1}}(\lambda \times \mu)=\lambda \wedge f^{-1}(\mu)$.

Theorem 3.4 Let $f:(X, T) \rightarrow(Y, S)$ be a function from fuzzy topological space $(X, T)$ to another fuzzy topological space $(Y, S)$.If the graph $g: X \rightarrow X \times Y$ of $f$ is somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute, then $f$ is somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute.

Proof: Let $\lambda$ be a non zero fuzzy $\alpha$-open set in $Y$. Then, by Lemma 3.1, we have $f^{-1}(\lambda)$ $=1 \wedge f^{-1}(\lambda)=g^{-\mathbf{1}}(1 \times \lambda)$. Since $g$ is somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute and $1 \times \lambda \neq 0$ is a fuzzy $\alpha$-open set in $X \times Y$, there exists a fuzzy semi-open set $\mu(\neq 0)$ (say) in $X$ such that $\mu$ $\leq g^{-1}(1 \times \lambda)=f^{-1}(\lambda)$. This proves that $f$ is somewhat fuzzy semi $\alpha$-irresolute function.

## 4 Strongly somewhat fuzzy semi-open functions

The concept of somewhat fuzzy semi-open function was introduced and studied in[10]. In this section we shall introduce a strongly notion as follows:-

Definition 4.1 : Let $(X, T)$ and $(Y, S)$ be any two fuzzy topological spaces. A function $f$ $:(X, T) \rightarrow(Y, S)$ is called strongly somewhat fuzzy semi-open if and only if for each non-zero fuzzy $\alpha$-open set $\lambda$ in $(X, T)$, there exists a fuzzy semi-open set $\mu$ in $(Y, S)$ such that $\mu \neq 0$ and $\mu<f(\lambda)$.

Clearly every strongly somewhat fuzzy semi-open function is somewhat fuzzy semi-open function. However the converse is not true as the following example shows:-

Example 4.1 Let $\mu_{1}, \mu_{2}$ and $\mu_{3}$ be fuzzy sets in $I$ described in Example 3.1. Clearly $T_{1}$ $=\left\{0, \mu_{1}, 1\right\}$ and $T_{2}=\left\{0, \mu_{2}, 1\right\}$ are fuzzy topologies on $I$. Let $f:\left(I, T_{1}\right) \rightarrow\left(I, T_{2}\right)$ be defined by $f(x)=\min \{2 x, 1\}$ for each $x \in I$. It can be easily seen that int $\mu_{3}=\mu_{1}$; cl $\mu_{1}=1$ in $\left(I, T_{1}\right)$. Simple computations gives $f(0)=0 ; f(1)=1 ; f\left(\mu_{1}\right)=0$. Thus $f$ is somewhat fuzzy semi-open function. Since $\mu_{3} \leq$ int cl int $\mu_{3}$ in $\left(I, T_{1}\right), \mu_{3}$ is fuzzy $\alpha$-open set in $\left(I, T_{1}\right)$. But $f\left(\mu_{3}\right)(y)=\left\{\begin{array}{cc}0, & 0 \leq y \leq \frac{1}{2}, \\ \frac{1}{3}, & \frac{1}{2} \leq y \leq 1 .\end{array}\right.$ Let $\lambda$ be any non-zero fuzzy set such that $\lambda \leq f\left(\mu_{3}\right)$ in $\left(I, T_{2}\right)$. Then cl int $\lambda=0$, this shows that $\lambda$ is not fuzzy semi-open set. Thus there is no non-zero fuzzy semi-open set such that it is contained in $f\left(\mu_{3}\right)$. Hence $f$ is not strongly somewhat fuzzy semi-open functions.

Theorem 4.1 Suppose $(X, T)$ and $(Y, S)$ be fuzzy topological spaces. Let $f:(X, T) \rightarrow$ $(Y, S)$ be an onto function. If $f$ is strongly somewhat fuzzy semi-open function and $\lambda$ is a fuzzy semi-dense set in $Y$, then $f^{-1}(\lambda)$ is fuzzy $\alpha$-dense in $X$.

Proof: Suppose $\lambda$ is a fuzzy semi-dense set in $Y$. We want to show that $f^{-1}(\lambda)$ is a fuzzy $\alpha$-dense set in $X$. Suppose not. Then there exists a fuzzy $\alpha$-closed set $\mu$ in $X$ such that $f^{-1}(\lambda)<\mu<1$. Then $1-f^{-1}(\lambda)>1-\mu>0 . f\left(1-f^{-1}(\lambda)\right)>f(1-\mu)$ which implies that $f\left(f^{-1}(1-\lambda)>f(1-\mu)\right.$. That is, $f(1-\mu)<f\left(f^{-1}(1-\lambda)\right)=1-\lambda$. Now $\mu$ is fuzzy $\alpha$-closed set $\Rightarrow 1-\mu$ is fuzzy $\alpha$-open set in $X$. Since $f$ is strongly somewhat fuzzy semi-open, $1-\mu$ is fuzzy $\alpha$-open in $X \Rightarrow$ there exists a fuzzy semi-open set $\delta \neq 0$ in $Y$ such that $\delta<f(1-\mu)$. Therefore $\delta<f(1-\mu)<1-\lambda \Rightarrow \delta<1-\lambda \Rightarrow \lambda<1-\delta$. Now $1-\delta$ is fuzzy semi-closed set and $\lambda<1-\delta \Rightarrow \lambda$ is not a fuzzy semi-dense set in $Y$, which is a contradiction to our hypothesis. Therefore $f^{-1}(\lambda)$ must be a fuzzy $\alpha$-dense in $(X, T)$.

Theorem 4.2 Suppose $(X, T)$ and $(Y, S)$ be fuzzy topological spaces. Let $f:(X, T) \rightarrow$ $(Y, S)$ be a 1-1 and onto function. Then the following conditions are equivalent.
(1) $f$ is strongly somewhat fuzzy semi-open.
(2) If $\lambda$ is a fuzzy $\alpha$-closed set in $X$ such that $f(\lambda) \neq 1$, then there exists a fuzzy semiclosed set $\mu$ in $Y$ such that $\mu \neq 1$ and $f(\lambda)<\mu$.

Proof: $(1) \Rightarrow(2)$. Let $\lambda$ be a fuzzy $\alpha$-closed set in $X$ such that $f(\lambda) \neq 1$. Then $1-\lambda$ is fuzzy $\alpha$-open set and since $f$ is $1-1$ and onto $f(1-\lambda)=1-f(\lambda) \neq 0[3]$. As $f$ is strongly somewhat fuzzy semi-open, there exists a fuzzy semi-open set $\eta$ in $Y$ such that $\eta \neq 0$ and $\eta$ $<f(1-\lambda)=1-f(\lambda)$. That is $f(\lambda)<1-\eta=\mu$ (say) and $\mu$ is fuzzy semi-closed set. This proves $(1) \Rightarrow(2)$.
$(2) \Rightarrow(1)$. Let $\lambda$ be a fuzzy $\alpha$-open set in $X$ such that $\lambda \neq 0$. Then $1-\lambda$ is fuzzy $\alpha$-closed set and $1-\lambda \neq 1$. Now $f(1-\lambda)=1-f(\lambda) \neq 1$ (for, if $1-f(\lambda)=1$, then $f(\lambda)=0 \Rightarrow \lambda=$ $0)$. Hence by (2) there exists a fuzzy semi-closed set $\mu$ in $Y$ such that $\mu>f(1-\lambda)$. Then $\mu>1-f(\lambda)$. That is $f(\lambda)>1-\mu=\delta$ (say). Clearly $\delta$ is fuzzy semi-open set in $Y$ such that $\delta<f(\lambda)$ and $\delta \neq 0$ (since $\mu \neq 1$ ). This completes the proof of $(2) \Rightarrow(1)$.

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