

CONNECTEDNESS, DISCONNECTEDNESS, AND LIGHT FACTORIZATION STRUCTURES IN A FUZZY SETTING

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Abstract: Connectedness, disconnectedness, and light factorization structures are studied in the realm of the topological constructs **FPUConv** and **FSUConv** of fuzzy preuniform convergence spaces and fuzzy semiuniform convergence spaces respectively which have been introduced by the author in [23] using fuzzy filters in the sense of Eklund and Gähler [7]. The presented theory profits from the fact that both constructs have hereditary quotients. Additionally, there are special features, e.g. a product theorem for the investigated connectedness concept and the existence of a proper class of light factorization structures on **FPUConv** as well as on **FSUConv**.

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0 Introduction

The usual connectedness concept in General Topology goes back to Riesz [25], Lennes [13] and Hausdorff [11]. In 1967 Preuss [18] studied a generalization of connectedness, called \mathcal{E} -connectedness, where \mathcal{E} is a class of topological spaces and a topological space X is called \mathcal{E} -connected iff each continuous map $f : X \rightarrow E$ is constant for each $E \in \mathcal{E}$. Since \mathcal{E} stands for

the german word “Eigenschaft” (english: property) we write \mathcal{P} instead of \mathcal{E} in the following.

\mathcal{P} -connectedness has been characterized by means of internal properties by Arhangel’skii and Wiegandt [2] in 1975 and even earlier (1972) by Salicrup and Vázquez [26] where the paper of the latter authors was not recognized by many mathematicians since it was written in spanish. If \mathcal{P} consists only of the two-point discrete topological space, then \mathcal{P} -connectedness means connectedness in the usual sense. Though \mathcal{P} -connectedness makes sense not only for the category **Top** of topological spaces but also for every category \mathcal{C} (where \mathcal{P} is subclass of the object class $|\mathcal{C}|$ of \mathcal{C}) it has a special flavour for topological constructs since there exists a two-point discrete object, e.g. if **Unif** denotes the topological construct **Unif** of uniform spaces then \mathcal{P} -connectedness generalizes the concept of uniform connectedness introduced by Mrowka and Pervin [16] in 1964 (note: uniform connectedness = \mathcal{P} -connectedness provided that \mathcal{P} consists only of the two-point discrete uniform space). Already in 1883 Cantor [4] introduced a concept of connectedness which is applicable to metric spaces. It turned out that uniform connectedness in metric spaces (regarded as uniform spaces) is nothing else than Cantor-connectedness. In particular, the rationals regarded as a uniform space are uniformly connected but they are not connected as a topological space.

Concerning factorization of continuous maps connection properties in **Top** are extremely useful. In 1934 Eilenberg [6] introduced (monotone quotient, light)-factorization as a useful tool for the investigation of connectedness properties of compact metric spaces where a continuous map $f : X \rightarrow Y$ between topological spaces is called monotone (light) iff for each $y \in Y$, $f^{-1}(y)$ is connected (totally disconnected). Whyburn [28], Ponomarev [17], Bauer [3], Michael [15], Strecker [27], Salicrup and Vázquez [26], and Dykhoff [5] extended their range to arbitrary T_1 -spaces and introduced various modifications and generalizations. But unfortunately (monotone quotient, light) factorizations in their classical sense do not exist in **Top**.

Recently, **Top** (resp. the construct **Top_S** of symmetric topological spaces [= R_0 -spaces]) and **Unif** have been embedded into better behaved supercategories, e.g. into the strong topological universe **PUConv** (resp. **SUConv**) of preuniform convergence spaces (resp. semiuniform convergence spaces), where **SUConv** is mainly studied in the realm of Convenient Topology and **PUConv** in the framework of non-symmetric convenient topology (cf. [20],[21] and [22]). Thus, many deficiencies of topological and uniform spaces can be remedied.

In the present paper we study connectedness, disconnectedness and light

factorization structures in the framework of the strong topological universes **FSUConv** und **FPUConv** of fuzzy semiuniform convergence spaces and fuzzy preuniform convergence spaces respectively introduced in [23], where a concept of fuzzy filter due to Eklund and Gähler [7] is used which fuzzyficates the membership of filter elements too. By means of a result of Herrlich, Salicrup and Vázquez [26] from 1979 it follows that in topological constructs with hereditary quotients light factorization structures always exist and the only connectedness concept for which this is true is \mathcal{P} -connectedness. The relation of \mathcal{P} -connectedness and other connectedness concepts in the construct **FTop** of fuzzy topological spaces has been studied in detail by Lowen [14].

It has been mentioned in [19] that an internal characterization of connectedness and disconnectedness can be developed in topological constructs with hereditary quotients analogously to the result of Arhangel'skii and Wiegandt [2] in **Top**. It is proved in this paper that the class of \mathcal{P} -disconnected objects in a topological construct \mathcal{C} with hereditary quotients is the object class of the $\{\mathcal{P}$ -monotone quotient $\}$ - reflective hull of the full subconstruct \mathcal{A} of \mathcal{C} defined by $|\mathcal{A}| = \mathcal{P}$ - a new result. Since **FSUConv** and **FPUConv** have hereditary quotients (because they are strong topological universes) all these results can be applied to them. Furthermore, it is shown that there is a proper class of light factorization structures on **FSUConv** as well as on **FPUConv**.

Last but not least a product theorem for \mathcal{P} -connectedness is proved as a special feature of fuzzy preuniform convergence spaces.

By the way, fundamental constructions in the constructs **FUnif** and **FQUnif** of fuzzy uniform spaces and fuzzy quasi-uniform spaces in the sense of Gähler et al. [10] respectively are performed such as products, subspaces and suprema and the construction of the underlying fuzzy uniform space and the underlying fuzzy quasiuniform space of a fuzzy preuniform convergence space.

Since our results always include the non-fuzzy case by considering fuzzy filters with respect to a frame L (with distinct least element 0 and greatest element 1) only for the trivial case $L = \{0, 1\}$, it should be emphasized that the presentation of connectedness, disconnectedness and light factorization structures is new even for (non-fuzzy) preuniform convergence spaces.

The terminology of this paper corresponds to [1] and [21].

1 Special topics of categorical topology

In this section \mathcal{C} denotes always a topological construct (see [21] for the definition).

1.1 Definition. A class $\mathcal{K} \subset |\mathcal{C}|$ is called a *connection class* (in \mathcal{C}) provided the the following are satisfied:

- (1) $\{(X, \xi) \in |\mathcal{C}| : \text{card}(X) \leq 1\} \subset \mathcal{K}$.
- (2) if $f : (X, \xi) \rightarrow (Y, \gamma)$ is a surjective \mathcal{C} -morphism and $(X, \xi) \in \mathcal{K}$, then $(Y, \gamma) \in \mathcal{K}$.
- (3) Let $(X, \xi) \in \mathcal{C}$ and let $(A_i)_{i \in I}$ be a family of subsets of X with $\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \neq \emptyset$ such that the subspaces (A_i, ξ_i) of (X, ξ) belong to \mathcal{K} for each $i \in I$. Then $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$ (regarded as a subspace of (X, ξ)) belongs to \mathcal{K} .

1.2 Remark. Because of (2) and (3), (1) is already fulfilled if \mathcal{K} contains a non-empty space. Furthermore, (3) implies that for each $(X, \xi) \in |\mathcal{C}|$ there are maximal subspaces of (X, ξ) belonging to \mathcal{K} , the so called *\mathcal{K} -components* of (X, ξ) which form a partition of (X, ξ) . Reasonable connectedness concepts for \mathcal{C} should constitute a connection class. An important *example* is obtained as follows:

Let $\mathcal{P} \subset |\mathcal{C}|$. Then $(X, \xi) \in |\mathcal{C}|$ is called *\mathcal{P} -connected* iff each \mathcal{C} -morphism $f : (X, \xi) \rightarrow (Y, \gamma)$ is constant for each $(Y, \gamma) \in \mathcal{P}$. The class $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{P}$ of all \mathcal{P} -connected \mathcal{C} -objects is a connection class.

1.3 Definition. Let \mathcal{K} be a connection class in \mathcal{C} .

- 1) A quotient map $f : (X, \xi) \rightarrow (Y, \gamma)$ in \mathcal{C} is called *\mathcal{K} -monotone* provided that each fibre of f (i.e. each $f^{-1}(y)$ with $y \in Y$ regarded as a subspace of (X, ξ)) belongs to \mathcal{K} . The class of all \mathcal{K} -monotone quotient maps in \mathcal{C} is denoted by $M\mathcal{K}$.
- 2) A source $(f_i : (X, \xi) \rightarrow (X_i, \xi_i))_{i \in I}$ in \mathcal{C} is called *\mathcal{K} -light* iff the fibres of $(f_i)_{i \in I}$ are totally \mathcal{K} -disconnected (Note 1° $(Z, \xi) \in \mathcal{C}$ is called totally *\mathcal{K} -disconnected* iff for each $z \in Z$ the \mathcal{K} -component containing z is singleton $\{z\}$. 2° For each $x \in X$ the subspace of (X, ξ) determined by $\bigcap_{i \in I} f_i^{-1}(f_i(x))$ is called a *fibre* of $(f_i)_{i \in I}$).
The class of all \mathcal{K} -light sources in \mathcal{C} is denoted by $L\mathcal{K}$.

3) A factorization structure $(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{M})$ for sources in \mathcal{C} (cf. [1] for the definition) is called *light* iff $\mathcal{E} = M\mathcal{K}$ and $\mathcal{M} = L\mathcal{K}$ for some connection class \mathcal{K} in \mathcal{C} .

1.4 Theorem. (Herrlich, Salicrup and Vázquez [12]) *If quotients in \mathcal{C} are hereditary and \mathcal{K} is a connection class in \mathcal{C} , then the following are equivalent:*

- (1) $(M\mathcal{K}, L\mathcal{K})$ is a factorization structure on \mathcal{C} .
- (2) $\mathcal{K} = C\mathcal{P}$ for some $\mathcal{P} \subset |\mathcal{C}|$.

1.5 Remark. If \mathcal{C} is extensional, i.e. \mathcal{C} has one-point extensions, then every quotient in \mathcal{C} is hereditary and the above theorem is valid.

Usually, a *connectedness* is a class $\mathcal{K} \subset |\mathcal{C}|$ such that $\mathcal{K} = C\mathcal{P}$ for some $\mathcal{P} \subset |\mathcal{C}|$. The above theorem implies that *there is a bijection between the class of all light factorization structures on \mathcal{C} and the class of all connectednesses in \mathcal{C} , whenever \mathcal{C} is extensional*. Since in this paper we are only interested in extensional topological constructs, we make the following **convention**: If the connection class \mathcal{K} is equal to $C\mathcal{P}$ for some $\mathcal{P} \subset |\mathcal{C}|$, then we say *\mathcal{P} -monotone*, *\mathcal{P} -light*, *totally \mathcal{P} -disconnected*, and *\mathcal{P} -component* instead of *\mathcal{K} -monotone*, *\mathcal{K} -light*, *totally \mathcal{K} -disconnected*, and *\mathcal{K} -component* respectively.

1.6 Theorem. *Let \mathcal{C} have hereditary quotients. A class $\mathcal{K} \subset |\mathcal{C}|$ is a connectedness iff the following are satisfied:*

- (1) \mathcal{K} is a connection class.
- (2) *If $f : (X, \xi) \rightarrow (Y, \gamma)$ is a \mathcal{K} -monotone quotient map in \mathcal{C} such that $(Y, \gamma) \in \mathcal{K}$, then $(X, \xi) \in \mathcal{K}$.*

Proof. Similarly to [19; 2.12] or [21; 5.1.17].

1.7 Proposition. *For each $\mathcal{P} \in |\mathcal{C}|$, let $D\mathcal{P} = \{(X, \xi) \in |\mathcal{C}| : \text{each } \mathcal{C}\text{-morphism } f : (Y, \gamma) \rightarrow (X, \xi) \text{ is constant for each } (Y, \gamma) \in \mathcal{P}\}$. Then $D_H\mathcal{P} = D\mathcal{P}$ is the class of all totally \mathcal{P} -disconnected \mathcal{C} -objects.*

Proof. Similarly to [21; 5.2.3].

1.8 Definition. A subclass $\mathcal{K} \subset |\mathcal{C}|$ is called a *disconnectedness* provided that there is some $\mathcal{Q} \subset |\mathcal{C}|$ such that $\mathcal{K} = D\mathcal{Q}$.

1.9 Remark. 1. By 1.7, the class of all totally \mathcal{P} -disconnected \mathcal{C} -objects is a disconnectedness (choose $\mathcal{Q} = C\mathcal{P}$).

2. The operators C and D have the following properties:

- 1) (a) $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{Q} \subset |\mathcal{C}|$ implies $\alpha) C\mathcal{P} \supset C\mathcal{Q}$ and $\beta) D\mathcal{P} \supset D\mathcal{Q}$.
(b) $\mathcal{P} \subset DC\mathcal{P}$ and $\mathcal{P} \subset CD\mathcal{P}$ for each $\mathcal{P} \subset |\mathcal{C}|$.
- 2) $CDC = C$ and $DCD = D$
- 3) $C_H = CD$ and $D_H = DC$ are *hull operators*, i.e. C_H and D_H are extensive (cf. 1)(b)), isotonic ($\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{Q} \subset |\mathcal{C}|$ implies $C_H\mathcal{P} \subset C_H\mathcal{Q}$ and $D_H\mathcal{P} \subset D_H\mathcal{Q}$), and idempotent ($C_H C_H = C_H$ and $D_H D_H = D_H$).

1.10 Definition. A subclass $\mathcal{K} \subset |\mathcal{C}|$ is called C_H -closed (D_H -closed) provided that $\mathcal{K} = C_H\mathcal{K}$ ($\mathcal{K} = D_H\mathcal{K}$).

1.11 Proposition. A subclass $\mathcal{K} \subset |\mathcal{C}|$ is C_H -closed (D_H -closed) iff it is a connectedness (disconnectedness).

1.12 Theorem. There exists a one-one-correspondence between the connectednesses and disconnectednesses of \mathcal{C} which converts the inclusion relation (Galois correspondence) and is obtained by the operators C and D .

Proof. By means of C one obtains a one-one-correspondence which assigns to each disconnectedness, i.e. D_H -closed subclass of \mathcal{C} , a connectedness, i.e. a C_H -closed subclass of $|\mathcal{C}|$. The inverse correspondence is obtained by D . It follows from 1.9.2.1)(a) (α) and (β) that the inclusion relation is converted.

1.13 Theorem. Let \mathcal{C} have hereditary quotients and let $\mathcal{P} \subset |\mathcal{C}|$. Then the class $D_H\mathcal{P}$ of all totally \mathcal{P} -disconnected \mathcal{C} -objects is the object class of the \mathcal{E} -reflective hull $\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{A})$ of the full subconstruct \mathcal{A} of \mathcal{C} defined by $|\mathcal{A}| = \mathcal{P}$, where \mathcal{E} consists of all \mathcal{P} -monotone quotient maps in \mathcal{C} .

Proof. Let $\mathcal{E}' = \{\mathcal{P}\text{-submonotone quotient maps in } \mathcal{C}\}$, where a \mathcal{C} -morphism $f : (X, \xi) \rightarrow (Y, \gamma)$ is called \mathcal{P} -submonotone iff each fibre of f is contained in some \mathcal{P} -component of (X, ξ) . Analogously to [19;3.9], $D_H\mathcal{P}$ is the object class of the \mathcal{E}' -reflective hull of \mathcal{A} (\mathcal{C} has hereditary quotients!). Since a \mathcal{P} -monotone quotient map is a \mathcal{P} -submonotone quotient map, one obtains

1. $|\mathcal{E}'(\mathcal{A})| = D_H\mathcal{P} \subset |\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{A})|$, where $\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{A})$ exists because \mathcal{C} has hereditary quotients (and thus (\mathcal{P} -monotone quotients, \mathcal{P} -light sources) is a

factorization structure for \mathcal{C}). If \mathcal{B} denotes the full and isomorphism-closed subconstruct of \mathcal{C} defined by $|\mathcal{B}| = D_H\mathcal{P}$, then \mathcal{B} is extremal epireflective in \mathcal{C} and the fibres of the \mathcal{B} -reflection r_X of $(X, \xi) \in |\mathcal{C}|$ are exactly the \mathcal{P} -components of (X, ξ) (analogously to [19;3.6], since \mathcal{C} has hereditary quotients), i.e. r_X is a \mathcal{P} -monotone quotient map. Consequently, \mathcal{B} is a (\mathcal{P} -monotone quotient)-reflective subconstruct of \mathcal{C} which contains \mathcal{A} . Therefore, $\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{A}) \subset \mathcal{B}$, i.e.

2. $|\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{A})| \subset D_H\mathcal{P}$.

The assertion follows immediately from 1. and 2.

1.14 Corollary. *Let \mathcal{C} have hereditary quotients and let $\mathcal{P} \subset |\mathcal{C}|$. Then the following are equivalent:*

1. $(X, \xi) \in D_H\mathcal{P}$.
2. (X, ξ) is a \mathcal{P} -light subobject¹ of a product of objects from \mathcal{P} .
3. There is a \mathcal{P} -light source $(f_i : (X, \xi) \rightarrow (X_i, \xi_i))_{i \in I}$ such that $(X_i, \xi_i) \in \mathcal{P}$ for each $i \in I$, where I is a class.

Proof. Since \mathcal{C} is a (\mathcal{P} -monotone quotient, \mathcal{P} -light source)-category which has products and is (\mathcal{P} -monotone quotient)-co-wellpowered, the assertion follows from 1.13 and the general theory of reflections (cf. [1; 16.8 and 16.22]).

1.15 Theorem. *Let \mathcal{C} have hereditary quotients and let \mathcal{P} be an isomorphism-closed subclass of $|\mathcal{C}|$ containing a non-empty space. Then the following are equivalent:*

1. \mathcal{P} is a disconnectedness.
2. $\mathcal{P} = D_H\mathcal{P}$.
3. \mathcal{P} is closed under formation of \mathcal{P} -light subobjects¹ and products in \mathcal{C} .
4. \mathcal{P} is closed under formation of \mathcal{P} -light sources in \mathcal{C} , i.e. whenever $(f_i : (X, \xi) \rightarrow (X_i, \xi_i))_{i \in I}$ is a \mathcal{P} -light source in \mathcal{C} such that $(X_i, \xi_i) \in \mathcal{P}$ for each $i \in I$, then $(X, \xi) \in \mathcal{P}$.
5. (a) \mathcal{P} is closed under formation of products and subspaces in \mathcal{C} .

¹ (X, ξ) is a \mathcal{P} -light subobject of (Y, γ) means that there is a \mathcal{P} -light \mathcal{C} -morphism $f : (X, \xi) \rightarrow (Y, \gamma)$.

- (b) Whenever $f : (X, \xi) \rightarrow (Y, \gamma)$ is a surjective \mathcal{C} -morphism such that $(Y, \gamma) \in \mathcal{P}$ and each fibre of f belongs to \mathcal{P} , then $(X, \xi) \in \mathcal{P}$.

Proof. Since \mathcal{C} is a (\mathcal{P} -monotone quotient, \mathcal{P} -light source)-category which has products and is (\mathcal{P} -monotone quotient)-co-wellpowered, the full and isomorphism-closed subconstruct \mathcal{A} of \mathcal{C} defined by $|\mathcal{A}| = \mathcal{P}$ is (\mathcal{P} -monotone quotient)-reflective iff one of the two equivalent conditions 3. and 4. is fulfilled (cf. [1; 16.8]). By 1.13, this is true iff $\mathcal{P} = D_H\mathcal{P}$. The equivalence of $\mathcal{P} = D_H\mathcal{P}$ and 5. is proved analogously to [19;3.10] because \mathcal{C} has hereditary quotients. The equivalence of 1. and 2. is obvious (cf. 1.11).

2 Some fuzzy concepts and results

In this section and the following let L be a frame with different least element 0 and greatest element 1, e.g. $L = \{0, 1\}$ or $L = [0, 1]$ (= closed unit interval). For each set X , the *characteristic function* $\chi_A : A \rightarrow L$ from a subset A of X to L is defined by $\chi_A(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in A, \\ 0 & \text{if } x \in X \setminus A. \end{cases}$

2.1 Remark. For each set X , L^X can be endowed with a partial order \leq defined as follows:

$$f \leq g \text{ iff } f(x) \leq g(x) \text{ for each } x \in X.$$

As in L , for infima and suprema in L^X the symbols \wedge and \bigwedge as well as \vee and \bigvee will be used respectively, e.g. for each pair $(f, g) \in L^X \times L^X$ and each $x \in L$, $(f \wedge g)(x) = f(x) \wedge g(x)$ and $(f \vee g)(x) = f(x) \vee g(x)$.

2.2 Definition. An *L-fuzzy filter* (shortly: a *fuzzy filter*) on a non-empty set is a map $\mathcal{F} : L^X \rightarrow L$ such that the following are satisfied:

FFil₁ $\mathcal{F}(\bar{l}) = l$ for each $l \in L$, where $\bar{l} : X \rightarrow L$ is defined by $\bar{l}(x) = l$ for each $x \in X$.

FFil₂ $\mathcal{F}(f \wedge g) = \mathcal{F}(f) \wedge \mathcal{F}(g)$ for all $f, g \in L^X$.

The set of all L -fuzzy filters on X is denoted by $F_L(X)$, where $F_L(\emptyset) = \emptyset$.

2.3 Remark. 1. If \mathcal{F} is a fuzzy filter on X , then $\mathcal{F}(f) \leq \mathcal{F}(g)$ for all $f, g \in L^X$ such that $f \leq g$. Furthermore, for each $f \in L^X$, $\mathcal{F}(f) \leq \sup f = \sup\{f(x) : x \in X\}$.

2. For each $x \in X$, there is a fuzzy filter $\dot{x} : L^X \rightarrow L$ defined by $\dot{x}(f) = f(x)$ for each $x \in X$.
3. If \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{G} are fuzzy filters on X , then \mathcal{F} is called *coarser* than \mathcal{G} (or \mathcal{G} is called *finer* than \mathcal{F}) denoted by $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{G}$, iff $\mathcal{F}(f) \leq \mathcal{G}(f)$ for each $f \in L^X$.

2.4 Definition. A *fuzzy filter base* on a non-empty set X is a non-empty subset \mathcal{B} of L^X such that the following are satisfied:

FB₁ $\bar{l} \in \mathcal{B}$ for each $l \in L$.

FB₂ For each $(f, g) \in \mathcal{B} \times \mathcal{B}$ there is some $h \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $h \leq f \wedge g$ and $\sup h = \sup f \wedge \sup g$.

2.5 Remark. Each fuzzy filter base \mathcal{B} on X generates a fuzzy filter \mathcal{F} on X defined by

$$\mathcal{F}(f) = \bigvee_{g \leq f, g \in \mathcal{B}} \sup g \text{ for each } f \in L^X.$$

Conversely, each fuzzy filter \mathcal{F} on X can be generated by a fuzzy filter base on X , even a greatest one, denoted by $\text{base}\mathcal{F}$, where $\text{base}\mathcal{F} = \{f \in L^X : \mathcal{F}(f) = \sup f\}$.

2.6 Proposition. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a map, \mathcal{F} a fuzzy filter on X , and \mathcal{B} a base of \mathcal{F} . Define for each $g \in L^X$, $f[g] \in L^Y$ by $f[g](y) = \bigvee_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} g(x)$.

Then $\{f[g] : g \in \mathcal{B}\} \cup \{\bar{l} : l \in L\}$ is a base of the fuzzy filter $f(\mathcal{F})$, defined by $f(\mathcal{F})(h) = \mathcal{F}(h \circ f)$ for each $h \in L^Y$, where $f(\mathcal{F})$ is called the *image* of \mathcal{F} under f . If f is surjective, then $\{f[g] : g \in \mathcal{B}\}$ is a base of $f(\mathcal{F})$.

2.7 Definition. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a map and \mathcal{F} a fuzzy filter on Y . Then the *inverse image* of \mathcal{F} under f is the coarsest fuzzy filter \mathcal{G} on X such that $\mathcal{F} \subset f(\mathcal{G})$ provided that it exists. Usually, we write $f^{-1}(\mathcal{F})$ instead of \mathcal{G} . If $X \subset Y$ and $i : X \rightarrow Y$ denotes the inclusion map, then $i^{-1}(\mathcal{F})$ is also called the *trace* of \mathcal{F} on X .

2.8 Proposition. (cf. [8; proposition 9]). Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a map, \mathcal{F} a fuzzy filter on Y , and \mathcal{B} a base of \mathcal{F} . Then $f^{-1}(\mathcal{F})$ exists iff $\sup g = \sup g \circ f$ for each $g \in \mathcal{B}$. If $f^{-1}(\mathcal{F})$ exists, then $\{g \circ f : g \in \mathcal{B}\}$ is a base of $f^{-1}(\mathcal{F})$.

2.9 Definition. 1. Let M be a non empty set of fuzzy filters on X . Then a fuzzy filter $\bigcap_{\mathcal{F} \in M} \mathcal{F}$, called the *intersection* of all $\mathcal{F} \in M$, is

defined by $\bigcap_{\mathcal{F} \in M} \mathcal{F}(f) = \bigwedge_{\mathcal{F} \in M} \mathcal{F}(f)$ for each $f \in L^X$.

2. Let $(X_i)_{i \in I}$ be a non-empty family of non-empty sets, and \mathcal{F}_i a fuzzy filter on X_i for each $i \in I$. If $p_i : \prod_{i \in I} X_i \rightarrow X_i$ denotes the i -th projection, then the coarsest fuzzy filter \mathcal{F} on $\prod_{i \in I} X_i$ such that $p_i(\mathcal{F}) = \mathcal{F}_i$ for each $i \in I$ is called the *product of $(\mathcal{F}_i)_{i \in I}$* , where $\prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{F}_i$ is written instead of \mathcal{F} , or $\mathcal{F}_1 \times \mathcal{F}_2$ in case $I = \{1, 2\}$.

2.10 Proposition. (cf. [8; proposition 19]). *If I is a non-empty set and for $i \in I$, \mathcal{F}_i is a fuzzy filter on X_i , and \mathcal{B}_i is a base of \mathcal{F}_i , then $\mathcal{B} = \{ \bigwedge_{j \in J} f_j \circ p_j : J \subset I \text{ finite and } f_j \in \mathcal{B}_j \text{ for all } j \in J \}$ is a fuzzy filter base on $\prod_{i \in I} X_i$ generating the product $\prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{F}_i$ of $(\mathcal{F}_i)_{i \in I}$.*

2.11 Definitions. 1. A *fuzzy topological space* is a pair (X, t) , where X is a set and $t \subset L^X$ a *fuzzy topology* on X , i.e. the following are satisfied:

FTop₁ All constant maps from X to L belong to t (this includes the empty map $\emptyset : \emptyset \rightarrow L$ in case $X = \emptyset$).

FTop₂ $f, g \in t$ imply $f \wedge g \in t$.

FTop₃ $s \subset t$ implies $\bigvee s \in t$.

If t is a fuzzy topology on X , the elements of t are called *fuzzy open sets* of X .

2. A map $f : (X, t) \rightarrow (X', t')$ between fuzzy topological spaces is called *fuzzy continuous* provided that $f^{-1}(g') = g' \circ f \in t$ for each $g' \in t'$.
3. Let (X, t) be a fuzzy topological space, and $f \in L^X$. Then the *interior* of f with respect to t , denoted by $int_t f$ is defined as follows:

$$int_t f = \bigvee_{g \leq g, g \in t} g.$$

2.12 Remarks. 1. If (X, t) is a fuzzy topological space, then for each $x \in X$, a fuzzy filter $\mathcal{U}_t(x) : L^X \rightarrow L$ is defined as follows:

$$U_t(x)(f) = (int_t f)(x) \text{ for each } f \in L^X,$$

called the *fuzzy neighborhood filter* of x with respect to t .

2. If (X, \mathcal{X}) is an ordinary topological space and L is a complete chain, then $t_{\mathcal{X}} = \{f \in L^X : f \text{ lower semicontinuous}\}$ is a fuzzy topology on X ($f \in L^X$ is lower semicontinuous iff for each $\alpha \in L$, $\{x \in X : f(x) > \alpha\}$ is open in (X, \mathcal{X}) i.e. $f : (X, \mathcal{X}) \rightarrow (L, \mathcal{L})$ is continuous, where the so-called *lower topology* \mathcal{L} on L has the set $\{\{\beta \in L : \beta > \alpha\} : \alpha \in L\}$ as a subbase .).

2.13 Definition. A fuzzy topological space (X, t) is called a *topological fuzzy topological space* provided that there is a topology \mathcal{X} on X such that $t_{\mathcal{X}} = t$.

2.14 Theorem. Let L be a complete chain. Then the construct **Top** of topological spaces (and continuous maps) is (concretely) isomorphic to the construct **TFTop** of topological fuzzy topological spaces (and fuzzy continuous maps).

Proof. 1. Let (X, \mathcal{X}) be a topological space. Then $O \in \mathcal{X}$ iff its characteristic function $\chi_O : X \rightarrow L$ is lower semicontinuous.

2. A map $f : (X, \mathcal{X}) \rightarrow (Y, \mathcal{Y})$ between topological spaces is continuous iff $f : (X, t_{\mathcal{X}}) \rightarrow (Y, t_{\mathcal{Y}})$ is fuzzy continuous.

3. The functor $F : \mathbf{Top} \rightarrow \mathbf{TFTop}$ defined by $F(X, \mathcal{X}) = (X, t_{\mathcal{X}})$ and $F(f) = f$ (cf. 2.) is a concrete isomorphism:
If for each fuzzy topological space (X, t) a topological space (X, \mathcal{X}_t) is defined by $\mathcal{X}_t = \{O \subset X : \chi_O \in t\}$, then a functor $G : \mathbf{TFTop} \rightarrow \mathbf{Top}$ is defined by $G(X, t) = (X, \mathcal{X}_t)$ and $G(f) = f$ (cf. 2. and note that by 1., $\mathcal{X}_{t_{\mathcal{X}}} = \mathcal{X}$ for each topology \mathcal{X} on X). Obviously, $G \circ F = I_{\mathbf{Top}}$ and $F \circ G = I_{\mathbf{TFTop}}$, where for each construct \mathcal{C} , $I_{\mathcal{C}} : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ denotes the identity functor.

2.15 Definition. 1. (a) Let X be a non empty set and \mathcal{U} a fuzzy filter on $X \times X$. Consider the following conditions:

FU₁) $\mathcal{U} \subset (x, x)$ for each $x \in X$.

FU₂) $\mathcal{U} = \mathcal{U}^{-1}$, where $\mathcal{U}^{-1}(u) = \mathcal{U}(u^{-1})$ for each $u \in L^X$ and $u^{-1}(x, y) = u(y, x)$ for each $(x, y) \in X \times X$.

If **FU₁)** is fulfilled, consider also

FU₃) $\mathcal{U} \subset \mathcal{U} \circ \mathcal{U}$ where $\mathcal{U} \circ \mathcal{U}$ is the fuzzy filter on $X \times X$ defined by $\mathcal{U} \circ \mathcal{U}(u) = \bigvee_{v \in \text{base } \mathcal{U}, v \circ v \leq u} \mathcal{U}(v)$ for each $u \in L^{X \times X}$, and for

each $v \in L^{X \times X}$ the composition $v \circ v$ is defined by $v \circ v(x, y) =$

$\bigvee_{x \in X} v(x, z) \wedge v(z, y)$ for each $(x, y) \in X \times X$. If \mathcal{U} fulfills FU_1) and FU_3), then \mathcal{U} is called a *fuzzy quasiuniformity* on X , and if \mathcal{U} fulfills all three conditions FU_1), FU_2) and FU_3) it is called a *fuzzy uniformity* on X .

(b) A *fuzzy (quasi) uniformity* on the empty set \emptyset is a map $\mathcal{U} : L^\emptyset \rightarrow L$, where $L^\emptyset = \{\emptyset\}$, such that $\mathcal{U}(\emptyset) = 1$.

(c) A *fuzzy (quasi) uniform space* is a pair (X, \mathcal{U}) where X is a set and \mathcal{U} is a fuzzy (quasi) uniformity on X .

2. A map $f : (X, \mathcal{U}) \rightarrow (X', \mathcal{U}')$ between fuzzy quasiuniform spaces is called *fuzzy uniformity continuous* iff $\mathcal{U}' \subset (f \times f)(\mathcal{U})$.

2.16 Remarks. 1. In case $L = \{0, 1\}$ fuzzy (quasi) uniform spaces may be identified with the usual (quasi) uniform spaces.

2. As in the non-fuzzy case the composition of fuzzy filters \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{G} on $X \times X$ need not exist as a fuzzy filter. But if there are $x, y, z \in X$ such that $\mathcal{F} \subset (x, y)$ and $\mathcal{G} \subset (y, z)$ then a fuzzy filter $\mathcal{G} \circ \mathcal{F}$ on $X \times X$, called the *composition of \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{G}* , can be defined according to [10] as follows:

$$\mathcal{G} \circ \mathcal{F}(w) = \bigvee_{v \circ u \leq w} \mathcal{F}(u) \wedge \mathcal{G}(v) \text{ for each } w \in L^{X \times X}$$

where the composition $v \circ u \in L^{X \times X}$ of $u, v \in L^{X \times X}$ is defined by

$$v \circ u(x', y') = \bigvee_{z \in X} u(x', z) \wedge v(z, y') \text{ for each } (x', y') \in X \times X.$$

If $\mathcal{F} \subset (x, x)$ and $\mathcal{G} \subset (x, x)$ for each $x \in X$, then for each $w \in L^{X \times X}$,

$$\mathcal{G} \circ \mathcal{F}(w) = \bigvee_{u \in \text{base } \mathcal{F}, v \in \text{base } \mathcal{G}, v \circ u \leq w} \sup(v \circ u),$$

where $\sup(v \circ u) = \sup u \wedge \sup v$ (cf. [10;12.12]). If furthermore, $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{G}$ such that $\mathcal{F} \subset (x, x)$ for each $x \in X$, then

$$\mathcal{F} \circ \mathcal{F}(w) = \bigvee_{u' \in \text{base } \mathcal{F}, u' \circ u' \leq w} \sup u'$$

which implies that $\{u' \circ u' : u' \in \text{base } \mathcal{F}\}$ is a base of $\mathcal{F} \circ \mathcal{F}$, since $\sup u' \circ u' = \sup u'$.

2.17 Proposition. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a map, and \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} fuzzy filters on X such that there are $x, y, z \in X$ with $\mathcal{F} \subset (x, y)$ and $\mathcal{G} \subset (y, z)$. Then $(f \times f)(\mathcal{G} \circ \mathcal{F}) \supset (f \times f)(\mathcal{G}) \circ (f \times f)(\mathcal{F})$.

Proof. Let $w' \in L^{Y \times Y}$. Then $(f \times f)(\mathcal{G} \circ \mathcal{F})(w') = \mathcal{G} \circ \mathcal{F}(w' \circ (f \times f))$
 $= \bigvee_{v \circ u \leq w' \circ (f \times f)} \mathcal{F}(u) \wedge \mathcal{G}(v) \geq \bigvee_{v' \circ u' \leq w'} \mathcal{F}(u' \circ (f \times f)) \wedge \mathcal{G}(v' \circ (f \times f))$
 $= (f \times f)(\mathcal{G}) \circ (f \times f)(\mathcal{F})(w')$ since $v' \circ u' \leq w'$ implies $v \circ u \leq w' \circ (f \times f)$ with $u = u' \circ (f \times f)$ and $v = v' \circ (f \times f)$. The existence of $(f \times f)(\mathcal{G}) \circ (f \times f)(\mathcal{F})$ is obvious.

2.18 Definition. 1. A *fuzzy preuniform convergence space* is a pair (X, FJ_X) where X is a set and FJ_X a set of fuzzy filters on $X \times X$ such that the following are satisfied:

FUC₁) $(x, x) \in FJ_X$ for each $x \in X$.

FUC₂) $\mathcal{F} \in FJ_X$ whenever $\mathcal{G} \in FJ_X$ and $\mathcal{G} \subset \mathcal{F}$.

2. A fuzzy preuniform convergence space (X, FJ_X) is called a *fuzzy semiuniform convergence space* provided that the following is satisfied:

FUC₃) $\mathcal{F} \in FJ_X$ implies $\mathcal{F}^{-1} \in FJ_X$.

3. A map $f : (X, FJ_X) \rightarrow (Y, FJ_Y)$ is called *fuzzy uniformly continuous* iff $(f \times f)(\mathcal{F}) \in FJ_Y$ for each $\mathcal{F} \in FJ_X$.

4. The construct of fuzzy preuniform convergence spaces (and fuzzy uniformly continuous maps) and its full subconstruct of fuzzy semiuniform convergence spaces is denoted by **FPUConv** and **FSUConv** respectively.

5. (a) A fuzzy preuniform convergence space (X, FJ_X) is called *(quasi) uniform* provided that there is a (quasi) uniformity \mathcal{U} on X such that $FJ_X = [\mathcal{U}]$, where $[\mathcal{U}] = \{\mathcal{F} \in F_L(X \times X) : \mathcal{U} \subset \mathcal{F}\}$.

(b) A fuzzy preuniform convergence space (X, FJ_X) is called *topological* provided that there is a fuzzy topology t on X such that $FJ_X = \{\mathcal{F} \subset F_L(X \times X) : \text{there is some } x \in X \text{ with } \mathcal{F} \supset \dot{x} \times \mathcal{U}_t(x)\}$.

2.19 Remark. 1. Obviously, every uniform fuzzy preuniform convergence space is a fuzzy semiuniform convergence space.

2. It has been mentioned in [24] that the construct **FUnif** (**FQUnif**) of fuzzy uniform (fuzzy quasiuniform) spaces (and fuzzy uniformly continuous maps) is concretely isomorphic to the construct **UFPUConv** (**QUFPUConv**) of uniform (quasiuniform) fuzzy preuniform convergence spaces (and fuzzy uniformly continuous maps), where the proove corresponds to the non-fuzzy case, and it has been proved that the construct **FTop** of fuzzy topological spaces (and fuzzy continuous maps) is concretely isomorphic to the construct **TFPUConv** of topological fuzzy preuniform convergence spaces. In the following we will prove that **FUnif** and **FQunif** are topological constructs and that every fuzzy preuniform convergence space has an underlying fuzzy quasi uniform space and underlying fuzzy uniform space. By [23], the initial structures in **FPUCConv** are formed as follows: If X is a set, $(X_i, FJ_{X_i})_{i \in I}$ a family of fuzzy preuniform convergence spaces, and $(f_i : X \rightarrow X_i)_{i \in I}$ a family of maps, then $FJ_X = \{\mathcal{F} \in F_L(X \times X) : (f_i \times f_i) \in FJ_{X_i} \text{ for each } i \in I\}$ is the initial **FPUCConv**-structure on X with respect to the given data.

2.20 Proposition. *Let (Y, \mathcal{V}) be a fuzzy (quasi) uniform space, X a non-empty set and $f : X \rightarrow Y$ a map. Then $(f \times f)^{-1}(\mathcal{V})$ exists and is the coarsest fuzzy (quasi) uniformity on X such that $f : (X, (f \times f)^{-1}(\mathcal{V})) \rightarrow (Y, \mathcal{V})$ is fuzzy uniformly continuous.*

Proof. Let $x \in X$. Since \mathcal{V} fulfills FU_1 , $\mathcal{V} \subset (f(x), f(x)) = f(x) \times f(x) = f(x) \times f(x) = (f \times f)(x \times x)$. Consequently, $(f \times f)^{-1}(\mathcal{V})$ exists (cf. [24; 1.11]). If \mathcal{V} is a quasiuniformity, then we obtain the following:

FU_1) For each $x \in X$, $\mathcal{V} \subset (f(x) \times f(x)) \subset (f \times f)(x \times x)$, which implies

$$(f \times f)^{-1}(\mathcal{V}) \subset (f \times f)^{-1}((f \times f)(x \times x)) \subset x \times x = (x \times x).$$

FU_3) By 2.17,

$$(f \times f)((f \times f)^{-1}(\mathcal{V}) \circ (f \times f)^{-1}(\mathcal{V})) \supset (f \times f)((f \times f)^{-1}(\mathcal{V})) \circ (f \times f)((f \times f)^{-1}(\mathcal{V})) \supset \mathcal{V} \circ \mathcal{V} = \mathcal{V} \text{ since } \mathcal{V} \circ \mathcal{V} \subset \mathcal{V} \text{ because of } \mathcal{V} \circ \mathcal{V}(u) = \bigvee_{v \circ v \leq u, v \in \text{base } \mathcal{V}} \mathcal{V}(v) \leq \mathcal{V}(u) \text{ [note: } v \leq v \circ v \text{ for each } v \in \text{base } \mathcal{V} \text{] for}$$

each $u \in L^{Y \times Y}$ and $\mathcal{V} \subset \mathcal{V} \circ \mathcal{V}$ by assumption. Thus, $(f \times f)^{-1}(\mathcal{V}) \subset (f \times f)^{-1}(\mathcal{V}) \circ (f \times f)^{-1}(\mathcal{V})$. If \mathcal{V} is a fuzzy uniformity, then $\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{V}^{-1}$ and we obtain additionally the following:

FU_2) $((f \times f)^{-1}(\mathcal{V}))^{-1} = (f \times f)^{-1}(\mathcal{V}^{-1}) = (f \times f)^{-1}(\mathcal{V})$ [since $\{h^{-1} : h \in \text{base } \mathcal{V}\}$ is a base of $(f \times f)^{-1}(\mathcal{V}^{-1})$ as well as a base of $((f \times f)^{-1}(\mathcal{V}))^{-1}$ because $(h \circ (f \times f))^{-1} = h^{-1} \circ (f \times f)$ for each $h \in \text{base } \mathcal{V}$].

The remaining part of the proove is obvious.

2.21 Corollary. *Let $(X, [\mathcal{U}])$ be a (quasi) uniform fuzzy preuniform convergence space, $Y \subset X$ and $i : Y \rightarrow X$ the inclusion map. Then the subspace (Y, FJ_Y) of $(X, [\mathcal{U}])$ formed in **FPUConv** is (quasi) uniform. In particular, $(i \times i)^{-1}(\mathcal{U})$ is a (quasi) uniformity on Y and $FJ_Y = [(i \times i)^{-1}(\mathcal{U})]$.*

Proof. It suffices to prove that $(i \times i)^{-1}(\mathcal{U})$ exists and is a fuzzy (quasi) uniformity on Y . But this follows from 2.20 in case $f = i$ provided that Y is non-empty. If $Y = \emptyset$ there is nothing to prove.

2.22 Proposition. *Let $((X_i, [\mathcal{U}_i]))_{i \in I}$ be a family of (quasi) uniform fuzzy preuniform convergence spaces. Then the product space (X, FJ_X) of this family formed in **FPUConv** is (quasi) uniform. In particular, if all X_i are non-empty, then $FJ_X = [j(\prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{U}_i)]$, where $j : \prod_{i \in I} X_i \times X_i \rightarrow \prod_{i \in I} X_i \times \prod_{i \in I} X_i$ is the canonical isomorphism with $(p_i \times p_i) \circ j = p'_i$ for each $i \in I$ and $p_i : \prod_{i \in I} X_i \rightarrow X_i$, $p'_i : \prod_{i \in I} X_i \times X_i \rightarrow X_i \times X_i$ denote the i -th projections.*

Proof. It suffices to prove that $j(\prod \mathcal{U}_i)$ is a (quasi) uniformity on X : If all \mathcal{U}_i are fuzzy quasiuniformities, we have the following:

FU₁) By assumption, for each $i \in I$, $\mathcal{U}_i \subset (x_i, x_i)$ for each $x_i \in X_i$. Thus,

$\prod \mathcal{U}_i \subset \prod (x_i, x_i) \subset ((x_i, x_i)) = j^{-1}(((x_i), (x_i)))$, which implies

$j(\prod \mathcal{U}_i) \subset (((x_i), (x_i)))$ for each $(x_i) \in \prod X_i$ (note: $\prod \dot{x}_i \subset \dot{x}_i$ is always

valid, since $p_i(\dot{x}_i) = \dot{x}_i$ for each $i \in I$ and $\prod \dot{x}_i$ is the coarsest filter with this property).

FU₃) By 2.17 we have for each $i \in I$,

$$\begin{aligned} p'_i(j^{-1}(j(\prod \mathcal{U}_i) \circ j(\prod \mathcal{U}_i))) &= p_i \times p_i(j(\prod \mathcal{U}_i) \circ j(\prod \mathcal{U}_i)) \\ &\supset p_i \times p_i(j(\prod \mathcal{U}_i)) \circ p_i \times p_i(j(\prod \mathcal{U}_i)) = p'_i((\prod \mathcal{U}_i) \circ p'_i((\prod \mathcal{U}_i)) \\ &= \mathcal{U}_i \circ \mathcal{U}_i \supset \mathcal{U}_i, \text{ which implies} \end{aligned}$$

$$\prod \mathcal{U}_i \subset \prod p'_i(j^{-1}(j(\prod \mathcal{U}_i) \circ j(\prod \mathcal{U}_i))) \subset j^{-1}(j(\prod \mathcal{U}_i) \circ j(\prod \mathcal{U}_i)).$$

Thus, $j(\prod \mathcal{U}_i) \circ j(\prod \mathcal{U}_i) \supset j(\prod \mathcal{U}_i)$.

If all \mathcal{U}_i are fuzzy uniformities, we obtain additionally the following:

FU₂): Consider the following base \mathcal{B} of $\prod \mathcal{U}_i$:

$$\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \bigwedge_{k \in K} u_k \circ p'_k : K \subset I \text{ finite, } u_k \in \text{base} \mathcal{U}_k \text{ for all } k \in K \right\}.$$

Then $\mathcal{B}^* = \{j[u] : u \in \mathcal{B}\}$ is a base of $j(\prod \mathcal{U}_i)$, where $j[u]((x_i), (y_i)) = u((x_i, y_i))$ since j is bijective. Furthermore, $\mathcal{B}^{*-1} = \{(j[u])^{-1} : u \in \mathcal{B}\}$ is a base of $(j(\prod \mathcal{U}_i))^{-1}$. Since for each $i \in I$, $\mathcal{U}_i = \mathcal{U}_i^{-1}$,

$$(*) u_i \in \text{base} \mathcal{U}_i \text{ iff } u_i^{-1} \in \text{base} \mathcal{U}_i.$$

If $K \subset I$ is finite and $u_k \in \text{base}\mathcal{U}_k$ for each $k \in K$,

$$(j[\bigwedge_{k \in K} u_k \circ p'_k])^{-1} = j[\bigwedge_{k \in K} u_k^{-1} \circ p'_k]$$

which is easily checked (note: $j[\bigwedge_{k \in K} u_k \circ p'_k]((x_i), (y_i)) = \bigwedge_{k \in K} u_k(x_k, y_k)$). Consequently, $v \in \mathcal{B}^*$ implies $v^{-1} \in \mathcal{B}^*$ since $(*)$ is valid. Hence, $\mathcal{B}^* = \mathcal{B}^{*-1}$ (note: $(v^{-1})^{-1} = v$) and $j(\prod \mathcal{U}_i) = (j \prod \mathcal{U}_i)^{-1}$. The remaining cases $I = \emptyset$ or $X_i = \emptyset$ for some $i \in I$ are obvious.

2.23 Proposition. ([10;13.5]). *Let $\mathcal{B} \subset L^{X \times X}$. Then \mathcal{B} is the greatest base of a fuzzy uniformity \mathcal{U} on X , i.e. $\mathcal{B} = \text{base}\mathcal{U}$, if and only if the following are satisfied:*

1. $\bar{l} \in \mathcal{B}$ for each $l \in L$.
2. $f, g \in \mathcal{B}$ imply $f \wedge g \in \mathcal{B}$ and $\sup(f \wedge g) = \sup f \wedge \sup g$.
3. $f \in L^{X \times X}$ and $\bigvee_{g \in \mathcal{B}, g \leq f} \sup g = \sup f$ imply $f \in \mathcal{B}$.
4. $u \in \mathcal{B}$ and $x \in X$ imply $\sup u = u(x, x)$.
5. $u \in \mathcal{B}$ implies $u^{-1} \in \mathcal{B}$.
6. $u \in \mathcal{B}$ implies $\bigvee_{v \in \mathcal{B}, v \circ v \leq u} \sup v = \sup u$.

2.24 Remark. Obviously, $\mathcal{B} \subset L^{X \times X}$ is the greatest base of a fuzzy quasiuniformity \mathcal{U} on X iff the conditions 1.-4. and 6. of the above proposition are fulfilled.

2.25 Proposition. *All indiscrete **FPUCnv**-objects are fuzzy uniform (and thus fuzzy quasiuniform).*

Proof. Let $(X, FJ_X) \in |\mathbf{FPUCnv}|$ be indiscrete, i.e. $FJ_X = F_L(X \times X)$. Then $\mathcal{B} = \{\bar{l} \in L^{X \times X} : l \in L\}$ is a fuzzy filter base on $X \times X$ and the fuzzy filter \mathcal{F} generated by it is contained in each $\mathcal{H} \in F_L(X \times X)$. Furthermore, \mathcal{F} is a fuzzy uniformity on X : Let $\mathcal{B}^* = \text{base}\mathcal{F}$. Then the conditions 1.-3. in 2.23 are fulfilled since they are always satisfied by the greatest base of a fuzzy filter. The remaining conditions 4.-6. are easily checked.

2.26 Theorem. ***FUnif** and **FQUnif** are bireflectively embedded in **FSU-Conv** and **FPUCnv** respectively.*

Proof. Since **FSUConv** is bireflective in **FPUConv** (cf. [23; 2.7]) it suffices to prove that **UFPUCnv** (\cong **FUnif**) and **QUFPUCnv** (\cong **QUnif**) are bireflective in **FPUConv**. But this follows from 2.21, 2.22 and 2.25.

2.27 Corollary. **FUnif** and **FQUnif** are topological constructs.

Proof. This follows from 2.26 since **FSUConv** and **FPUConv** are topological constructs.

2.28 Definition. Let $1_X : (X, FJ_X) \rightarrow (X, [\mathcal{V}])$ be the bireflection of $(X, FJ_X) \in |\mathbf{FPUConv}|$ w.r.t. **UFPUCnv** (resp. **QUFPUCnv**). Then (X, \mathcal{V}) is called *the underlying fuzzy uniform space* (resp. *the underlying fuzzy quasiuniform space*) of (X, FJ_X) .

2.29 Theorem. *If (X, \mathcal{V}) is the underlying fuzzy (quasi) uniform space of $(X, FJ_X) \in \mathbf{FPUConv}$, then \mathcal{V} is the finest fuzzy (quasi) uniformity which is contained in each $\mathcal{F} \in FJ_X$.*

Proof. Put $N = \{\mathcal{U} : \mathcal{U} \text{ is a fuzzy (quasi) uniformity on } X \text{ with } \mathcal{U} \subset \mathcal{F} \text{ for each } \mathcal{F} \in FJ_X\}$. Then $N \neq \emptyset$ since the fuzzy filter \mathcal{F} generated by $\{\bar{l} \in L^{X \times X} : l \in L\}$ belongs to N . Let \mathcal{W} be the supremum of N in the set of all fuzzy (quasi) uniformities on X partially ordered by “ \subset ” (\mathcal{W} exists because of 2.27!). Then \mathcal{W} is the finest fuzzy (quasi) uniformity which is contained in each $\mathcal{F} \in FJ_X$. It suffices to prove that $\mathcal{W} \in N$. By [9;3.4], $\mathcal{B} = \{f_1 \wedge \dots \wedge f_n : \{f_1, \dots, f_n\} \subset \bigcup_{\mathcal{U} \in N} \text{base } \mathcal{U} \text{ non-empty and finite}\}$ is a base of \mathcal{W} . Since \mathcal{W} is initial with respect to the family $(1_X^{\mathcal{U}} : X \rightarrow (X, \mathcal{U}))_{\mathcal{U} \in N}$ of identity maps it is a fuzzy (quasi) uniformity on X . Obviously, $\mathcal{B} \subset \text{base } \mathcal{F}$ for each $\mathcal{F} \in FJ_X$. Thus, $\mathcal{W} \subset \mathcal{F}$ for each $\mathcal{F} \in FJ_X$, i.e. $\mathcal{W} \in N$. In order to prove $\mathcal{W} = \mathcal{V}$, it suffices to show that $1_X : (X, FJ_X) \rightarrow (X, [\mathcal{W}])$ is a bireflection: Let $f : (X, FJ_X) \rightarrow (X', [\mathcal{W}'])$ be a fuzzy uniformly continuous map from (X, FJ_X) into a (quasi) uniform fuzzy preuniform convergence space $(X', [\mathcal{W}'])$.

1. $1_X : (X, FJ_X) \rightarrow (X, [\mathcal{W}])$ is fuzzy uniformly continuous, since $\mathcal{W} \in N$.
2. In order to prove that $f : (X, [\mathcal{W}]) \rightarrow (X', [\mathcal{W}'])$ is fuzzy uniformly continuous, it suffices to show that

$$(*) (f \times f)(\mathcal{W}) \supset \mathcal{W}'.$$

By assumption,

$$(**) (f \times f)(\mathcal{F}) \supset \mathcal{W}' \text{ for each } \mathcal{F} \in FJ_X.$$

Thus, $(f \times f)^{-1}(\mathcal{W}')$ exists (cf. [24; 1.11]) and is a (quasi) uniformity by 2.20, which belongs to N since by (**),
 $\mathcal{F} \supset (f \times f)^{-1}((f \times f)(\mathcal{F})) \supset (f \times f)^{-1}(\mathcal{W}')$ for each $\mathcal{F} \in FJ_X$.
 Consequently, $(f \times f)^{-1}(\mathcal{W}') \subset \mathcal{W}$. This implies
 $\mathcal{W}' \subset (f \times f)((f \times f)^{-1}(\mathcal{W}')) \subset (f \times f)(\mathcal{W})$, i.e. (*) is fulfilled.

2.30 Proposition. *Let I be a non-empty set and $(\mathcal{F}_i)_{i \in I}$ a family of fuzzy filters on a non-empty set X . If $M = \{\mathcal{F}_i : i \in I\}$ has a supremum \mathcal{S} in $(F_L(X), \subset)$ and \mathcal{B}_i is a base of \mathcal{F}_i for each $i \in I$, then $\mathcal{B} = \{f_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge f_{i_n} : \{i_1, \dots, i_n\} \subset I \text{ finite and } f_i \in \mathcal{B}_i \text{ for each } i \in I\}$ is a base of \mathcal{S} .*

Proof. 1. \mathcal{B} is a fuzzy filter base on X :

- (a) Since $\bar{l} \in \mathcal{B}_i$ for each $i \in I$ and each $l \in L$, $\bar{l} \in \mathcal{B}$ for each $l \in L$.
- (b) Since $\mathcal{B}_i \subset \text{base}\mathcal{S}$ for each $i \in I$, $\mathcal{B} \subset \text{base}\mathcal{S}$. If $u, v \in \mathcal{B}$, then $u \wedge v \in \mathcal{B}$ and $\sup(u \wedge v) = \sup u \wedge \sup v$ because $u, v \in \text{base}\mathcal{S}$.

2. Let \mathcal{F} be the fuzzy filter generated by \mathcal{B} .

- (a) By definition of \mathcal{B} , $\mathcal{B}_i \subset \mathcal{B}$ for each $i \in I$. Thus, $\mathcal{F}_i \subset \mathcal{F}$.
- (b) Let $\mathcal{U} \in F_L(X)$ such that $\mathcal{F}_i \subset \mathcal{U}$ for each $i \in I$. Then $\mathcal{B}_i \subset \text{base}\mathcal{F}_i \subset \text{base}\mathcal{U}$ for each $i \in I$. Consequently $\mathcal{B} \subset \text{base}\mathcal{U}$, i.e. $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{U}$.

3. It follows from 2.(a) and 2.(b) that $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{S}$.

2.31 Corollary. *Let X be a non-empty set, $((X_i, \mathcal{U}_i))_{i \in I}$ a family of fuzzy (quasi) uniform spaces, \mathcal{B}_i a base of \mathcal{U}_i for each $i \in I$, and $(f_i : X \rightarrow X_i)_{i \in I}$ a family of maps. In case $I \neq \emptyset$,
 $\mathcal{B} = \{ \bigwedge_{j \in J} u_j \circ (f_j \times f_j) : J \subset I \text{ non-empty and finite, } u_j \in \mathcal{B}_j \text{ for each } j \in J \}$
 is a base of the initial fuzzy (quasi) uniformity on X with respect to the given data. In case $I = \emptyset$, $\mathcal{B} = \{ \bar{l} \in L^{X \times X} : l \in L \}$ is a base of the initial fuzzy (quasi) uniformity with respect to the given data, i.e. a base of the indiscrete fuzzy (quasi) uniformity on X .*

Proof. By 2.20, for each $i \in I$, $\mathcal{U}_{f_i} = (f_i \times f_i)^{-1}(\mathcal{U}_i)$ is the coarsest fuzzy (quasi) uniformity on X such that f_i is uniformly continuous, i.e. the initial

fuzzy (quasi) uniformity on X with respect to f . Then the initial fuzzy (quasi) uniformity on X with respect to $(f_i)_{i \in I}$ is the supremum of $(\mathcal{U}_{f_i})_{i \in I}$ in the set of all fuzzy (quasi) uniformities on X partially ordered by “ \subset ”. Now the assertion is proved by applying 2.30 since $\{u_i \circ (f_i \times f_i) : u_i \in \mathcal{B}_i\}$ is a base of \mathcal{U}_{f_i} for each $i \in I$. Concerning $I = \emptyset$, see the prove of 2.25.

2.32 Remark. The unique fuzzy uniformity on the empty set is initial.

3 Special features of fuzzy preuniform convergence spaces

3.1 Theorem. ([24; 2.4 and 4.3]). **FPUConv** and its full subconstruct **FSUConv** are strong topological universes, i.e. they are topological constructs which are cartesian closed and extensional and in which products of quotients are quotients.

3.2 Remark. It follows from 3.1 that all results of part 1 of this paper are applicable to **FPUConv** and **FSUConv**. In particular, in order to obtain light factorization structures for **FPUConv** and **FSUConv** only those connection classes which are connectednesses can be considered (cf. 1.4). But there are further results on connectedness and light factorization structures for **FPUConv** and **FSUConv** which will be presented in the following.

- 3.3 Definitions.**
1. $(X, FJ_X) \in |\mathbf{FPUConv}|$ is called *fuzzy connected* provided that each fuzzy uniformly continuous map $f : (X, FJ_X) \rightarrow (\{0, 1\}, \{\dot{0} \times \dot{0}, \dot{1} \times \dot{1}\})$ from (X, FJ_X) into the two-point discrete fuzzy preuniform convergence space $(\{0, 1\}, \{\dot{0} \times \dot{0}, \dot{1} \times \dot{1}\})$ is constant.
 2. A fuzzy preuniform convergence space (X, FJ_X) is called *diagonal* provided that $\bigcap_{x \in X} \dot{x} \times \dot{x} \in FJ_X$ if X is non-empty.

3.4 Remark. If X is a non-empty set and $g \in L^X$, then the *principal fuzzy filter* (g) generated by g has the base $\{g \wedge \bar{\alpha} : \alpha \in L\} \cup \{\bar{\alpha} : \alpha \in L\}$. For each non-empty subset M of X we get $(\chi_M) = \bigcap_{x \in M} \dot{x}$ (cf. [8; (16)]). Thus, $\bigcap_{x \in X} \dot{x} \times \dot{x} = (\chi_\Delta)$ where Δ denotes the “diagonal” of $X \times X$, i.e. $\Delta = \{(x, x) : x \in X\}$.

3.5 Example. Each fuzzy (quasi) uniform preuniform convergence space

$(X, [\mathcal{U}])$ is diagonal since for each $x \in X$, $\mathcal{U} \subset \dot{x} \times \dot{x}$ which implies $\mathcal{U} \subset \bigcap_{x \in X} \dot{x} \times \dot{x}$, i.e. $\bigcap_{x \in X} \dot{x} \times \dot{x} \in [\mathcal{U}]$.

3.6 Proposition. *Each diagonal fuzzy preuniform convergence space (X, FJ_X) is connected.*

Proof. Let $f : (X, FJ_X) \rightarrow (\{0, 1\}, \{\dot{0} \times \dot{0}, \dot{1} \times \dot{1}\})$ be fuzzy uniformly continuous. Then $(f \times f)(\bigcap_{x \in X} \dot{x} \times \dot{x}) = \bigcap_{x \in X} f(\dot{x}) \times f(\dot{x}) = \bigcap_{x \in X} f(x) \times f(x)$ contains $\dot{0} \times \dot{0}$ or $\dot{1} \times \dot{1}$, i.e. $f(x) \times f(x) \supset \dot{0} \times \dot{0}$ for each $x \in X$ or $f(x) \times f(x) \supset \dot{1} \times \dot{1}$ for each $x \in X$. Thus, $f(x) = 0$ for each $x \in X$ or $f(x) = 1$ for each $x \in X$ since $\dot{0}$ and $\dot{1}$ are fuzzy ultrafilters, i.e. maximal elements in $(F_L(\{0, 1\}), \subset)$ (cf. [7;4.8]).

3.7 Remark. For each non-empty set X , $\bigcap_{x \in X} \dot{x} \times \dot{x}$ is the discrete fuzzy uniformity on X , i.e. the finest fuzzy uniformity on X (Use 2.23 for base $\bigcap_{x \in X} \dot{x} \times \dot{x} = \bigcap_{x \in X} \text{base } \dot{x} \times \dot{x}$, then conditions 1.-5. are obvious and concerning 6., for each $u \in \text{base}(\bigcap_{x \in X} \dot{x} \times \dot{x}) \setminus \{\bar{0}\}$ there is some $v \in \text{base}(\bigcap_{x \in X} \dot{x} \times \dot{x}) \setminus \{\bar{0}\}$ with $\sup u = \sup v$ and $v \circ v \leq u$, where v is defined by

$$v(x, y) = \begin{cases} \sup u & \text{if } x = y \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}.$$

In order to have a connectedness concept by means of which fuzzy (quasi) uniform spaces (= (quasi) uniform fuzzy preuniform convergence spaces) may be distinguished the two-point discrete fuzzy uniform space $(\{0, 1\}, \dot{0} \times \dot{0} \cap \dot{1} \times \dot{1})$ will be helpful as the following definition shows.

3.8 Definition. A fuzzy preuniform convergence space (X, FJ_X) is called *uniformly connected* provided that each fuzzy uniformly continuous map $f : (X, FJ_X) \rightarrow (\{0, 1\}, [\dot{0} \times \dot{0} \cap \dot{1} \times \dot{1}])$ from (X, FJ_X) into the two-point discrete uniform fuzzy preuniform convergence space $(\{0, 1\}, [\dot{0} \times \dot{0} \cap \dot{1} \times \dot{1}])$ is constant.

3.9 Remark. In order to develop a common theory of connectedness and uniform connectedness for **FPUConv** the notion of \mathcal{P} -connectedness as defined under 1.2 is useful, where $\mathcal{P} \subset |\mathbf{FPUConv}|$. But there are close connections between connectedness and \mathcal{P} -connectedness in **FPUConv** which will be examined now where at first another characterization of connectedness is proved.

3.10 Definition. Let $(X, FJ_X) \in |\mathbf{FPUConv}|$. Then $A \subset X$ is called a *partition set* (in (X, FJ_X)) iff for each $\mathcal{F} \in FJ_X$, $\chi_{A \times A} \in \text{base } \mathcal{F}$ or $\chi_{(X \setminus A) \times (X \setminus A)} \in \text{base } \mathcal{F}$.

3.11 Proposition. A fuzzy preuniform convergence space (X, FJ_X) is connected iff the empty set \emptyset and X are the only partition sets in (X, FJ_X) .

Proof. “ \Rightarrow ” (indirectly). If there is a partition set $A \subset X$ such that $A \neq \emptyset$ and $A \neq X$, then $f : (X, FJ_X) \rightarrow (\{0, 1\}, \{\dot{0} \times \dot{0}, \dot{1} \times \dot{1}\})$, defined by $f(x) = 0$ if $x \in A$ and $f(x) = 1$ if $x \in X \setminus A$, is uniformly continuous: Let $\mathcal{F} \in FJ_X$. Then 1) $\chi_{A \times A} \in \text{base } \mathcal{F}$ or $\chi_{(X \setminus A) \times (X \setminus A)} \in \text{base } \mathcal{F}$. Concerning the first case $(f \times f)[\chi_A] = \chi_{f[A] \times f[A]} = \chi_{\{0\} \times \{0\}} = \chi_{\{(0,0)\}} \in \text{base } (f \times f)(\mathcal{F})$ which implies $[\chi_{\{(0,0)\}}] = \dot{0} \times \dot{0} \subset (f \times f)(\mathcal{F})$. Thus, $(f \times f)(\mathcal{F}) = \dot{0} \times \dot{0}$ since $(0, 0) = \dot{0} \times \dot{0}$ is an ultrafilter. Analogously, $(f \times f)(\mathcal{F}) = \dot{1} \times \dot{1}$ in the second case. Since f is non-constant, (X, FJ_X) is not connected.

“ \Leftarrow ”. Let $f : (X, FJ_X) \rightarrow (\{0, 1\}, \{\dot{0} \times \dot{0}, \dot{1} \times \dot{1}\})$ be fuzzy continuous, i.e. if $\mathcal{F} \in FJ_X$ then 1) $(f \times f)(\mathcal{F}) = \dot{0} \times \dot{0}$ or 2) $(f \times f)(\mathcal{F}) = \dot{1} \times \dot{1}$. Concerning the first case, $\chi_{\{(0,0)\}} \in \text{base } (f \times f)(\mathcal{F})$. Because of $(f \times f)^{-1}((f \times f)(\mathcal{F})) \subset \mathcal{F}$, $\chi_{\{(0,0)\}} \circ (f \times f) = \chi_{f^{-1}(0) \times f^{-1}(0)}$ belongs to a base of $(f \times f)^{-1}((f \times f)(\mathcal{F}))$ and thus to $\text{base } \mathcal{F}$.

Analogously, $\chi_{f^{-1}(1) \times f^{-1}(1)} = \chi_{(X \setminus f^{-1}(0)) \times (X \setminus f^{-1}(0))} \in \text{base } \mathcal{F}$. Consequently, $f^{-1}(0)$ is a partition set in (X, FJ_X) which implies, by assumption, that $f^{-1}(0) = \emptyset$ or $f^{-1}(0) = X$, i.e. $f = \bar{1}$ or $f = \bar{0}$. Hence, (X, FJ_X) is connected.

3.12 Corollary. Each \mathcal{P} -connected fuzzy preuniform convergence space is connected provided that \mathcal{P} contains a space with at least two points.

Proof. If $(X, FJ_X) \in |\mathbf{FPUConv}|$ is not connected, then there is a partition set $A \subset X$ such that $A \neq \emptyset$ and $A \neq X$. Let $P \in \mathcal{P}$ such that there are $a, b \in P$ with $a \neq b$. Thus, $f : X \rightarrow P$, defined by $f(x) = a$ if $x \in A$ and $f(x) = b$ if $x \in X \setminus A$, is fuzzy uniformly continuous (analogously to the first part of the prove of 3.11, where 0 and 1 have to be substituted by a and b respectively) and non-constant, i.e. (X, FJ_X) is not \mathcal{P} -connected.

3.13 Remark. In [23] and [24] generalized convergence spaces have been fuzzyficated, where a *fuzzy generalized convergence space* is a pair (X, q) such that X is a set and $q \subset F_L(X) \times X$ satisfies the following conditions:

FC₁ $(\dot{x}, x) \in q$ for each $x \in X$.

FC₂ $(\mathcal{F}, x) \in q$ whenever $(\mathcal{G}, x) \in q$ and $\mathcal{G} \subset \mathcal{F}$.

A map $f : (X, q) \rightarrow (X', q')$ is called here *fuzzy continuous* iff $(f(\mathcal{F}), f(x)) \in q'$ for each $(\mathcal{F}, x) \in q$. The construct of fuzzy generalized convergence spaces (and fuzzy continuous maps) is denoted by **FGConv**. Instead of $(\mathcal{F}, x) \in q$ we say \mathcal{F} *converges to* x w.r.t. q and write $\mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{q} x$ (or shortly $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow x$).

3.14 Definition. Let $(X, q) \in |\mathbf{FGConv}|$, $A \subset X$. If $i_A : A \rightarrow X$ denotes the inclusion map, then the *closure of* A w.r.t q , denoted by $cl_q A$, is defined by $cl_q A = \{x \in X : \text{there is some } \mathcal{F} \in F_L(X) \text{ with } \mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{q} x \text{ and } i_A^{-1}(\mathcal{F}) \text{ exists}\}$.

3.15 Proposition. Let $(X, q) \in |\mathbf{FGConv}|$, $A \subset X$, and let $i_A : A \rightarrow X$ be the inclusion map. Then

1. $cl_q A = \{x \in X : \text{there is some } \mathcal{F} \in F_L(A) \text{ with } i_A(\mathcal{F}) \xrightarrow{q} x\}$
2. If (X, q) is topological (i.e. there is a fuzzy topology t on X such that $(\mathcal{F}, x) \in q$ iff $\mathcal{F} \supset \mathcal{U}_t(x)$), then $cl_q A = \{x \in X : i_A^{-1}(\mathcal{U}_t(x)) \text{ exists}\}$.

3.16 Definition. A fuzzy generalized convergence space (X, q) is called a T_1 -space iff for each pair $(x, y) \in X \times X$, $(\dot{x}, y) \in q$ implies $x = y$.

3.17 Proposition. $(X, q) \in |\mathbf{FGConv}|$ is a T_1 -space iff for each $x \in X$, $cl_q \{x\} = \{x\}$.

Proof. “ \Rightarrow ”. Let $y \in cl_q \{x\}$. Then there is some $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L(X)$ with $\mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{q} y$ such that $i_{\{x\}}^{-1}(\mathcal{F})$ exists, i.e. for $f \in \text{base } \mathcal{F}$, $\sup f = \sup f|_{\{x\}} = f(x) = \dot{x}(f)$, which implies $\mathcal{F} \subset \dot{x}$. Thus, $\dot{x} \xrightarrow{q} y$. By assumption, $x = y$. Hence, $cl_q \{x\} = \{x\}$.

“ \Leftarrow ”. Let $\dot{x} \xrightarrow{q} y$. Then $y \in cl_q \{x\}$ since $i_{\{x\}}^{-1}(\dot{x})$ exists because $f \in \text{base } \dot{x}$, i.e. $\sup f = f(x)$, implies $\sup f = \sup f|_{\{x\}}$. By assumption, $x = y$.

3.18 Remark. For each $(X, FJ_X) \in |\mathbf{FPUConv}|$ there are two natural fuzzy generalized convergence spaces (X, q_{FJ_X}) and $(X, q_{\gamma_{FJ_X}})$, where $(\mathcal{F}, x) \in q_{FJ_X}$ iff $\dot{x} \times \mathcal{F} \in FJ_X$ and $(\mathcal{F}, x) \in q_{\gamma_{FJ_X}}$ iff $(\mathcal{F} \cap \dot{x}) \times (\mathcal{F} \cap \dot{x}) \in FJ_X$. Convergence in (X, q_{FJ_X}) is called *preconvergence in* (X, FJ_X) and convergence in $(X, q_{\gamma_{FJ_X}})$ is called *convergence in* (X, FJ_X) .

3.19 Definition. A fuzzy preuniform convergence space (X, FJ_X) is called a T_1 -space (resp. *pre- T_1 -space*) iff $(X, q_{\gamma_{FJ_X}})$ (resp. (X, q_{FJ_X})) is a T_1 -space.

3.20 Proposition. Let (X, q) be a fuzzy generalized convergence space, $A \subset X$ a dense subset, i.e. $cl_q A = X$, and $f : (X, q) \rightarrow (X', q')$ a fuzzy con-

tinuous map from (X, q) into a fuzzy generalized convergence space which is a T_1 -space, such that the restriction f to A is constant. Then f is constant.

Proof. If $A = \emptyset$ there is nothing to prove. Thus, let $A \neq \emptyset$ and $f[A] = \{x'_0\}$ with $x'_0 \in X'$. Define: $g : X \rightarrow X'$ by $g(x) = x'_0$ for each $x \in X$. In order to prove $f = g$, let $K = \{x \in X : f(x) = g(x)\}$. Then $cl_q K = K$:

Obviously, $K \subset cl_q K$. Let $x \in cl_q K$, i.e. there is some $(\mathcal{F}, x) \in q$ such that $i_K^{-1}(\mathcal{F})$ exists. Hence, $\{h|_K : h \in \text{base } \mathcal{F}\}$ is a base of $i_K^{-1}(\mathcal{F})$ and $\{i_K[h|_K] : h \in \text{base } \mathcal{F}\} \cup \{\bar{l} \in L^X\}$ is a base of $\mathcal{F}' = i_K(i_K^{-1}(\mathcal{F}))$. Since $\mathcal{F}' \supset \mathcal{F}$, $(\mathcal{F}', x) \in q$. Consequently, $(f(\mathcal{F}'), f(x)) \in q'$ and $(g(\mathcal{F}'), g(x)) \in q'$ because f and g are fuzzy continuous. Furthermore,

$B = \{f[i[h|_K]] : h \in \text{base } \mathcal{F}\} \cup \{f[\bar{l}] : l \in L\} \cup \{\bar{l} \in L^{X'} : l \in L\}$ and $B' = \{g[i[h|_K]] : h \in \text{base } \mathcal{F}\} \cup \{g[\bar{l}] : l \in L\} \cup \{\bar{l} \in L^{X'} : l \in L\}$ are bases of $f(\mathcal{F}')$ and $g(\mathcal{F}')$ respectively. But for each $x' \in X'$, $f[i[h|_K]](x') = \bigvee_{x \in f^{-1}(x')} i[h|_K](x) = \bigvee_{x \in K \cap f^{-1}(x')} i[h|_K](x) = \bigvee_{x \in g^{-1}(x')} i[h|_K](x) = g[i[h|_K]](x')$,

i.e. for each $h \in \text{base } \mathcal{F}$, $f[i[h|_K]] = g[i[h|_K]]$. Additionally, for each $l \in L$, $g[\bar{l}] \leq f[\bar{l}]$. Thus, $f[\bar{l}] \in \text{base } g(\mathcal{F}')$ since $g[\bar{l}] \in B'$ and $\sup g[\bar{l}] = \sup f[\bar{l}] = l$. Consequently, $B \subset \text{base } g(\mathcal{F}')$ since $B' \subset \text{base } g(\mathcal{F}')$. This implies $f(\mathcal{F}') \subset g(\mathcal{F}')$. Since $g(\mathcal{F}') = \overline{x'_0}$ (note: for each $u \in L^{X'}$, $u \circ g = \overline{u(x'_0)}$ and $g(\mathcal{F}')(u) = \mathcal{F}'(u \circ g) = \mathcal{F}'(\overline{u_0(x'_0)}) = u(x'_0) = \overline{x'_0}(u)$), $\overline{x'_0}$ converges to $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ which implies $x'_0 = f(x)$ and $x'_0 = g(x)$ by assumption on (X', q') , i.e. $x \in K$.

Finally, from $A \subset K \subset X$ follows: $X = cl_q A \subset cl_q K = K \subset X$, i.e. $K = X$. Thus, f is constant.

3.21 Corollary. Let (X, FJ_X) be a fuzzy preuniform convergence space and $A \subset X$ a dense (resp. pre-dense) subset of X , i.e. $cl_{q_{FJ_X}} A = X$ (resp. $cl_{q_{FJ_X}} A = X$). If $f : (X, FJ_X) \rightarrow (P, FJ_P)$ is a fuzzy uniformly continuous map from (X, FJ_X) into a T_1 -space (resp. pre- T_1 -space) $(P, FJ_P) \in |\mathbf{FPUConv}|$ such that the restriction of f to A is constant, then f is constant.

Proof. Since $f : (X, FJ_X) \rightarrow (P, FJ_P)$ is fuzzy uniformly continuous, $f : (X, q_{FJ_X}) \rightarrow (P, q_{FJ_P})$ and $f : (X, q_{FJ_X}) \rightarrow (P, q_{FJ_P})$ are fuzzy continuous and the assertion follows from 3.20.

3.22 Definition. Let $(X, FJ_X) \in |\mathbf{FPUConv}|$. Then a subset A of X is called \mathcal{P} -connected iff it is \mathcal{P} -connected as a subspace of (X, FJ_X) .

3.23 Proposition. *The statement “If a subset A of a fuzzy preuniform convergence space (X, FJ_X) is \mathcal{P} -connected, then $cl_{q_{\gamma FJ_X}} A$ (resp. $cl_{q_{FJ_X}} A$) is \mathcal{P} -connected” is true if and only if \mathcal{P} is a class of T_1 -spaces (resp. pre- T_1 -spaces).*

Proof. “ \Leftarrow ”. Let $f : cl_{q_{\gamma FJ_X}} A \rightarrow P$ (resp. $f : cl_{q_{FJ_X}} A \rightarrow P$) be a fuzzy uniformly continuous map where P is a T_1 -space (resp. pre- T_1 -space). By assumption $f|_A$ is constant, since A is dense (resp. predense) in $cl_{q_{\gamma FJ_X}} A$ (resp. $cl_{q_{FJ_X}} A$) [use 3.15.1.], f is constant by 3.21. Thus, $cl_{q_{\gamma FJ_X}} A$ (resp. $cl_{q_{FJ_X}} A$) is \mathcal{P} -connected.

“ \Rightarrow ”. Let $P \in \mathcal{P}$ and $x \in P$. If C_x is the \mathcal{P} -component of P containing x , then the inclusion map $i : C_x \rightarrow P$ is fuzzy uniformly continuous and thus constant, i.e. $C_x = \{x\}$. By assumption and the fact that C_x is a maximal \mathcal{P} -connected subspace, $cl_{q_{\gamma FJ_X}} \{x\} = \{x\}$ (resp. $cl_{q_{FJ_X}} \{x\} = \{x\}$). Thus, P is a T_1 -space (resp. a pre- T_1 -space).

3.24 Remarks. 1. Since convergence implies preconvergence, for each $(X, FJ_X) \in |\mathbf{FPUConv}|$ and each $A \subset X$,

$$A \subset cl_{q_{\gamma FJ_X}} A \subset cl_{q_{FJ_X}} A \subset X$$

and thus, A is dense implies A is predense, and if A is *preclosed*, i.e. $A = cl_{q_{FJ_X}} A$, then A is *closed*, i.e. $A = cl_{q_{\gamma FJ_X}} A$. Furthermore, T_1 is weaker than pre- T_1 , i.e. pre- T_1 implies T_1 .

2. If $\mathcal{P} \subset |\mathbf{FPUConv}|$ is not a class of T_1 -spaces, then the concept “ \mathcal{P} -connectedness” becomes trivial:

(a) If \mathcal{P} is the empty class, then \mathcal{P} is a class of T_1 -spaces and $C\mathcal{P} = |\mathbf{FPUConv}|$.

(b) Let $\mathcal{P} \subset |\mathbf{FPUConv}|$ be not a class of T_1 -spaces. Since \mathcal{P} is non-empty, there is some $(P, FJ_P) \in \mathcal{P}$ with at least two points such that (P, FJ_P) is not a T_1 -space, i.e. there are two distinct points $a, b \in P$ with $(\dot{a}, b) \in q_{\gamma FJ_P}$ or $(b, \dot{a}) \in q_{\gamma FJ_P}$. Thus, each $(X, FJ_X) \in |\mathbf{FPUConv}|$ with at least two points is not \mathcal{P} -connected: Let $x, y \in X$ with $x \neq y$. Then $f : (X, FJ_X) \rightarrow (P, FJ_P)$ defined by $f(x) = a$ and $f[X \setminus \{x\}] = \{b\}$ is non-constant but fuzzy uniformly continuous: Let $\mathcal{F} \in FJ_X$. By definition of f , $f[X] \times f[X] = \{a, b\} \times \{a, b\}$ and $\chi_{f[X] \times f[X]} = (f \times f)[\bar{1}] \in B$ where $B = \{(f \times f)[u] : u \in \text{base}\mathcal{F}\} \cup \{\bar{\alpha} \in L^{P \times P} :$

$\alpha \in L$ is a base of $(f \times f)(\mathcal{F})$. By 3.4, $(\chi_{f[X] \times f[X]}) = \dot{a} \times \dot{a} \cap \dot{a} \times \dot{b} \cap \dot{b} \times \dot{a} \cap \dot{b} \times \dot{b}$. Furthermore, $C = \{(f \times f)[\bar{1}] \wedge \bar{\alpha} : \alpha \in L\} \cup \{\bar{\alpha} : \alpha \in L\}$ is a base of $(f \times f)[\bar{1}]$ (cf. 3.4) where $C \subset \text{base}(f \times f)(\mathcal{F})$ [note:

$$((f \times f)[\bar{1}] \wedge \bar{\alpha})(p, p') = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } (p, p') \in f[X] \times f[X] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and thus $(f \times f)(\mathcal{F})((f \times f)[\bar{1}] \wedge \bar{\alpha}) = (f \times f)(\mathcal{F})(f \times f[\bar{1}]) \wedge (f \times f)(\mathcal{F})(\bar{\alpha}) = \sup(f \times f)[\bar{1}] \wedge \alpha = 1 \wedge \alpha = \alpha = \sup((f \times f)[\bar{1}] \wedge \bar{\alpha})$, i.e. $(f \times f)[\bar{1}] \wedge \bar{\alpha} \in \text{base}(f \times f)(\mathcal{F})$. Consequently, $\dot{a} \cap \dot{b} \times \dot{a} \cap \dot{b} \subset \dot{a} \times \dot{a} \cap \dot{a} \times \dot{b} \cap \dot{b} \times \dot{a} \cap \dot{b} \times \dot{b} = (\chi_{f[X] \times f[X]}) \subset (f \times f)(\mathcal{F})$, which implies $(f \times f)(\mathcal{F}) \in FJ_P$ since by assumption $\dot{a} \cap \dot{b} \times \dot{a} \cap \dot{b} \in FJ_P$. Hence, $C\mathcal{P}$ consists of all one-point spaces and the empty space.

3.25 Corollary. *Let $\mathcal{P} \subset |\mathbf{FPUConv}|$ be a class of T_1 -spaces (resp. pre- T_1 -spaces). Then the following are satisfied:*

1. *The \mathcal{P} -components of each fuzzy preuniform convergence space are closed (resp. preclosed).*
2. *If a subset M of a fuzzy preuniform convergence space (X, FJ_X) is \mathcal{P} -connected, then each subset N of X with $M \subset N \subset cl_{q_{FJ_X}} M$ (resp. $M \subset N \subset cl_{q_{FJ_X}} M$) is \mathcal{P} -connected.*

Proof. 1. Since \mathcal{P} -components are maximal \mathcal{P} -connected subspaces the assertion is proved by means of 3.23.

2. M may be regarded as a \mathcal{P} -connected subspace of the subspace (N, FJ_N) of (X, FJ_X) . Since $cl_{q_{FJ_N}} M = (cl_{q_{FJ_X}} M) \cap N = N$ (resp. $cl_{q_{FJ_N}} M = (cl_{q_{FJ_X}} M) \cap N = N$) the prove is finished by using 3.23.

In order to prove a product theorem for \mathcal{P} -connectedness some preparations are necessary.

3.26 Proposition. *Let $((X_i, t_i))_{i \in I}$ be a family of fuzzy topological spaces and $(\prod_{i \in I} X_i, t)$ its product in \mathbf{FTop} . For each $x = (x_i) \in \prod X_i$, the topological neighborhood filter $\mathcal{U}_t(x)$ of x is the product $\prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{U}_{t_i}(x_i)$ of the family $(\mathcal{U}_{t_i}(x_i))_{i \in I}$ of the topological neighborhood filters of the i -th coordinates x_i of x .*

Proof. Since \mathbf{FTop} is bireflective in \mathbf{FGConv} (cf. [24, 3.10]) initial structures in \mathbf{FTop} are formed as in \mathbf{FGConv} . Thus, for each $\mathcal{F} \in F_L(\prod X_i)$

and each $x = (x_i) \in \prod X_i$,
 $\mathcal{F} \supset \mathcal{U}_t(x) \Leftrightarrow p_i(\mathcal{F}) \supset \mathcal{U}_{t_i}(x_i)$ for each $i \in I \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{F} \supset \prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{U}_{t_i}(x_i)$. Hence,

$$\mathcal{U}_t(x) = \bigcap_{\mathcal{F} \supset \mathcal{U}_t(x)} \mathcal{F} = \prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{U}_{t_i}(x_i).$$

3.27 Proposition. *Let $((X_i, t_i))_{i \in I}$ be a family of fuzzy topological spaces and $(\prod X_i, t)$ its product in **FTop**. If $x_{(0)} \in \prod X_i$ then $U = \{x \in \prod X_i : p_i(x) = p_i(x_{(0)}) \text{ for all but finitely many } i \in I\}$ is dense in $\prod_{i \in I} X_i$, i.e. $cl_{q_t} U = X$, where $(\mathcal{F}, x) \in q_t$ iff $\mathcal{F} \supset \mathcal{U}_t(x)$ and $p_i : \prod_{i \in I} X_i \rightarrow X_i$ denotes the i -th projection.*

Proof. Let $x = (x_i) \in \prod X_i$. It must be proved that $i_U^{-1}(\mathcal{U}_t(x))$ exists (cf. 3.15.2.), where $\mathcal{U}_t(x) = \prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{U}_{t_i}(x_i)$ (cf. 3.26). $B = \{\bigwedge_{j \in J} f_j \circ p_j : J \subset I \text{ finite and } f_j \in \text{base} \mathcal{U}_{t_j}(x_j) \text{ for each } j \in J\}$ is a base of $\prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{U}_{t_i}(x_i)$. Let $f_{i_1} \circ p_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge f_{i_n} \circ p_{i_n} \in B$. Then have to prove $\sup f_{i_1} \circ p_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge f_{i_n} \circ p_{i_n} = \sup(f_{i_1} \circ p_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge f_{i_n} \circ p_{i_n} | U)$:

1. “ \geq ” is obvious.
2. “ \leq ”. Let $A = \{f_{i_1}(x_{i_1}) \wedge \cdots \wedge f_{i_n}(x_{i_n}) : x = (x_i) \in \prod X_i\}$ and $A' = \{f_{i_1}(x_{i_1}) \wedge \cdots \wedge f_{i_n}(x_{i_n}) : x = (x_i) \in U\}$. If $a \in A$, then there exists some $x = (x_i) \in \prod X_i$ such that $a = f_{i_1}(x_{i_1}) \wedge \cdots \wedge f_{i_n}(x_{i_n})$. Define $x' = (x'_i) \in \prod X_i$ by $x'_i = x_i$ for each $i \in \{i_1, \dots, i_n\}$ and $x'_i = p_i(x_{(0)})$ for each $i \in I \setminus \{i_1, \dots, i_n\}$. Then $x' \in U$ and $f_{i_1}(x'_{i_1}) \wedge \cdots \wedge f_{i_n}(x'_{i_n}) = f_{i_1}(x_{i_1}) \wedge \cdots \wedge f_{i_n}(x_{i_n}) = a$, i.e. $a \in A'$. Consequently, $A \subset B$ and $\sup A \leq \sup B$. Hence, $i_U^{-1}(\mathcal{U}_t(x))$ exists for each $x \in \prod X_i$, i.e. U is dense in $\prod X_i$.

3.28 Proposition. *Let $((X_i, q_i))_{i \in I}$ be a family of fuzzy generalized convergence spaces. If $x_{(0)}$ is a point of the product space (X, q) of this family in **FGConv**, then $U = \{x \in X : p_i(x) = p_i(x_{(0)}) \text{ for all but finitely many } i \in I\}$ is dense in X .*

Proof. Let t_i be the discrete fuzzy topology on X_i , i.e. $t_i = L^{X_i}$, for each $i \in I$, and (X, t) be the product space of $((X_i, t_i))_{i \in I}$ in **FTop**. Then (X, t) is a fuzzy topological space since **FTop** is bireflective in **FGConv** by [24; 3.10]. By 3.27, $cl_{q_t} U = X$. Furthermore, the identity $1_{X_i} : (X_i, q_{t_i}) \rightarrow (X_i, q_i)$ is fuzzy continuous for each $i \in I$ which implies that $\prod_{i \in I} 1_{X_i} = 1_X : (X, q_t) \rightarrow$

(X, q) is fuzzy continuous, i.e. $q_t \leq q$. Thus, $cl_{q_t}U = X \subset cl_qU \subset X$, i.e. $cl_qU = X$.

3.29 Theorem. *Let $((X_i, FJ_{X_i}))_{i \in I}$ be a family of non-empty fuzzy pre-uniform convergence spaces. Then the product space (X, FJ_X) of this family in $\mathbf{FPUConv}$ is \mathcal{P} -connected iff (X_i, FJ_{X_i}) is \mathcal{P} -connected for each $i \in I$.*

Proof. “ \Rightarrow ”. Since the projections $p_i : X \rightarrow X_i$ are surjective and fuzzy uniformly continuous for each $i \in I$, it follows from 1.6 (cf. 1.2.(2)) that (X_i, FJ_{X_i}) is \mathcal{P} -connected for each $i \in I$.

“ \Leftarrow ”.

a) If \mathcal{P} is not a class of T_1 -spaces, then by 3.24.2, \mathcal{CP} is trivial and the product theorem is valid.

b) Let \mathcal{P} be a class of T_1 spaces and $x_{(0)} \in X$. If $x_{(0)}$ and $x_{(n)} \in X$ differ by at most $n < \infty$ coordinates, then $x_{(0)}$ and $x_{(n)}$ lie in a \mathcal{P} -connected subset of X which is proved by induction on the number n of differing coordinates in the following manner:

α) If $n = 1$ the assertion is correct; namely if $x_{(1)}$ and $x_{(0)}$ differ e.g. in the i -th coordinate, then $Y = X_i \times \prod_{k \neq i} p_k(x_{(0)}) \subset X$ is isomorphic to X_i and hence it is \mathcal{P} -connected and $x_{(0)}$ and $x_{(1)}$ lie in Y .

β) Let the assertion be valid for all $x_{(n-1)}$ ($n \geq 2$). If $x_{(n)}$ is given, then $x_{(n-1)}$ can be found such that $x_{(n-1)}$ and $x_{(0)}$ differ by one coordinate. By α), $x_{(n)}$ and $x_{(n-1)}$ lie in a \mathcal{P} -connected subset C_1 , and by inductive hypothesis, $x_{(n-1)}$ and $x_{(0)}$ lie in a \mathcal{P} -connected subset C_2 . Since $x_{(n-1)} \in C_1 \cap C_2$, i.e. $C_1 \cap C_2 \neq \emptyset$, $C = C_1 \cup C_2$ is the desired \mathcal{P} -connected subset containing $x_{(0)}$ and $x_{(n)}$.

Let us denote by $C_{x_{(0)}}$ the \mathcal{P} -component of X containing $x_{(0)}$. Thus, $U = \{x \in X : x \text{ and } x_{(0)} \text{ differ by at most finitely many coordinates}\} \subset C_{x_{(0)}} \subset X$. By 3.28, $cl_{q \upharpoonright FJ_X} U = X$. Hence $C_{x_{(0)}}$ is dense in X which implies $X = C_{x_{(0)}}$ (cf. 3.25.1.), i.e. X is \mathcal{P} -connected.

3.30 Proposition. *Let $\mathcal{P} \subset |\mathbf{FPUConv}|$ and \mathcal{A} a bireflective (full and isomorphism-closed) subconstruct of $\mathbf{FPUConv}$ containing \mathcal{P} (i.e. $\mathcal{P} \subset |\mathcal{A}|$). If $R : \mathbf{FPUConv} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ denotes the bireflector, then $(X, FJ_X) \in |\mathbf{FPUConv}|$ is \mathcal{P} -connected iff $R((X, FJ_X))$ is \mathcal{P} -connected.*

Proof. Use 1.2.2. for $K = \mathcal{CP}$ and the defining property of a bireflection.

3.31 Corollary. *A fuzzy preuniform convergence space is uniformly connected iff its underlying fuzzy (quasi) uniform space is uniformly connected.*

Proof. Use 2.26, 3.7 and 3.8 and apply 3.30.

3.32 Definition. A fuzzy generalized convergence space (X, q) is called *symmetric* iff $(\mathcal{F}, x) \in q$ and $\mathcal{F} \subset \dot{y}$ for some $y \in X$ imply $(\mathcal{F}, y) \in q$.

3.33 Proposition. *Each fuzzy generalized convergence space which is a T_1 -space is symmetric.*

3.34 Remark. A fuzzy topological space (X, t) may be regarded as a fuzzy generalized convergence space (X, q_t) , where $(\mathcal{F}, x) \in q_t$ iff $\mathcal{F} \supset \mathcal{U}_t(x)$ (cf. [24; 3.10]). Thus, a fuzzy topological space (X, t) is called *symmetric* iff (X, q_t) is symmetric. The construct \mathbf{FTop}_s of symmetric fuzzy topological spaces (and fuzzy continuous maps) is concretely isomorphic to a full subconstruct of $\mathbf{FSUConv}$ whose objects are those fuzzy semiuniform convergence spaces (X, FJ_X) for which there is a fuzzy topology t on X such that $FJ_X = \{\mathcal{F} \subset F_L(X \times X) : \text{there is some } x \in X \text{ with } \mathcal{F} \supset \mathcal{U}_t(x) \times \mathcal{U}_t(x)\}$. (similar to the non-fuzzy case), i.e. \mathbf{FTop}_s may be regarded as a full subconstruct of $\mathbf{FSUConv}$.

3.35 Proposition. *Let L be a complete chain and (X, \mathcal{X}) a topological space which is a T_1 -space. Then the fuzzy topological space $(X, t_{\mathcal{X}})$ is a T_1 -space (i.e. the fuzzy generalized convergence space $(X, q_{t_{\mathcal{X}}})$ is a T_1 -space).*

Proof. Let $x \in X$ and $y \in cl_{q_{t_{\mathcal{X}}}}\{x\}$. Since $(X, q_{t_{\mathcal{X}}})$ is a topological fuzzy generalized convergence space, $\mathcal{U}_{t_{\mathcal{X}}}(x)$ has a trace on $\{x\}$ (cf. 3.15.2.). Thus, since each $f \in t_{\mathcal{X}}$ with $\sup f = f(y)$ belongs to base $\mathcal{U}_{t_{\mathcal{X}}}(y)$, we obtain $f(x) = \sup f|\{x\} = \sup f = f(y)$ for such an f . If y were unequal to x there would be an open set $O \subset X$ with $y \in O$ and $x \notin O$ by assumption. Since $\chi_O \in t_{\mathcal{X}}$ such that $\chi_O(y) = 1 = \sup \chi_O$, $\chi_O(x) = \chi_O(y) = 1$, i.e. $x \in O$ – a contradiction.

3.36 Remark. If L is a complete chain, then by means of 3.35, the embedding of \mathbf{Top} into \mathbf{FTop} (cf. 2.14) leads to an embedding of the construct \mathbf{Top}_1 of topological T_1 -spaces (and continuous maps) into the construct \mathbf{FTop}_1 of fuzzy topological T_1 -spaces (and fuzzy continuous maps). Furthermore, \mathbf{FTop}_1 is a full subconstruct of \mathbf{FTop}_s (cf. 3.33) which can be embedded into $\mathbf{FSUConv}$ (cf. 3.34).

3.37 Theorem. *Let L be a complete chain. Then there is a proper class*

of light factorization structures on **FPUConv** as well as on **FSUConv**.

Proof. By [26] there is a proper class of connectednesses in **Top**₁ and thus in **FSUConv** since **Top**₁ may be regarded as a full subconstruct of **FSUConv** (3.36). Since **FSUConv** is a full subconstruct of **FPUConv**, there is also a proper class of connectednesses in **FPUConv**. By 1.4, there is a proper class of light factorization structures on **FSUConv** as well as on **FPUConv**.

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