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# Intuitionistic Fuzzy $\pi g \gamma^*$ Homeomorphisms and Intuitionistic Fuzzy Connectedness in intuitionistic fuzzy topological spaces

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### Abstract

In this paper we have introduced intuitionistic fuzzy  $\pi g\gamma^*$  homeomorphisms and intuitionistic fuzzy  $\pi g\gamma^*$  connectedness in intuitionistic fuzzy topological spaces. Some of their properties are studied.

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#### **1. Introduction**

The concept of intuitionistic fuzzy sets was introduced by Atanassov [1] using the notion of fuzzy sets. On the other hand Coker [2] introduced intuitionistic fuzzy topological spaces using the notion of intuitionistic fuzzy sets. In this paper we introduce intuitionistic fuzzy  $\pi g \gamma^*$  homeomorphisms and studied some of their basic properties. We provide some interesting propositions and results on intuitionistic fuzzy  $\pi g \gamma^*$  homeomorphisms. We have also introduced intuitionistic fuzzy  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connectedness and studied some of their properties.

#### 2. Preliminaries

**Definition 2.1:** [1] An intuitionistic fuzzy set (IFS in short) A in X is an object having the form  $A = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle / x \in X \}$ 

where the functions  $\mu_A(x)$ :  $X \to [0, 1]$  and  $\nu_A(x)$ :  $X \to [0, 1]$  denote the degree of membership (namely  $\mu_A(x)$ ) and the degree of non-membership (namely  $\nu_A(x)$ ) of each element  $x \in X$  to the set A, respectively, and  $0 \le \mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) \le 1$  for each  $x \in X$ . Denote by IFS(X), the set of all intuitionistic fuzzy sets in X.

Definition 2.2: [1] Let A and B be IFSs of the form

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A = { $\langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle / x \in X$ } and B = { $\langle x, \mu_B(x), \nu_B(x) \rangle / x \in X$ }. Then

- (a)  $A \subseteq B$  if and only if  $\mu_A(x) \le \mu_B(x)$  and  $\nu_A(x) \ge \nu_B(x)$  for all  $x \in X$
- (b) A = B if and only if  $A \subseteq B$  and  $B \subseteq A$
- (c)  $A^{c} = \{ \langle x, v_{A}(x), \mu_{A}(x) \rangle / x \in X \}$
- (d)  $A \cap B = \{\langle x, \mu_A(x) \land \mu_B(x), \nu_A(x) \lor \nu_B(x) \rangle / x \in X \}$
- (e)  $A \cup B = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x) \lor \mu_B(x), \nu_A(x) \land \nu_B(x) \rangle / x \in X \}$

For the sake of simplicity, we shall use the notation  $A = \langle x, \mu_A, \nu_A \rangle$  instead of  $A = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle / x \in X.$  Also for the sake of simplicity, we shall use the notation  $A = \{ \langle x, (\mu_A, \mu_B), (\nu_A, \nu_B) \rangle \}$  instead of  $A = \langle x, (A/\mu_A, B/\mu_B), (A/\nu_A, B/\nu_B) \rangle$ .

The intuitionistic fuzzy sets  $0_{\sim} = \{ \langle x, 0, 1 \rangle / x \in X \}$  and  $1_{\sim} = \{ \langle x, 1, 0 \rangle / x \in X \}$  are respectively the empty set and the whole set of X.

**Definition 2.3:** [4] An intuitionistic fuzzy topology (IFT in short) on X is a family  $\tau$  of IFSs in X satisfying the following axioms.

 $\begin{array}{ll} (i) & 0_{\text{-}}, 1_{\text{-}} \in \tau \\ (ii) & G_1 \cap \ G_2 \in \tau \ \text{for any} \ G_1, G_2 \in \tau \\ (iii) & \cup \ G_i \in \tau \ \text{for any family} \ \{ \ G_i \ / \ i \in J \ \} \subseteq \tau. \end{array}$ 

In this case the pair  $(X, \tau)$  is called an intuitionistic fuzzy topological space (IFTS in short) and any IFS in  $\tau$  is known as an intuitionistic fuzzy open set (IFOS in short) in X.

The complement  $A^c$  of an IFOS A in IFTS (X,  $\tau$ ) is called an intuitionistic fuzzy closed set (IFCS in short) in X.

**Definition 2.4:** [4] Let  $(X, \tau)$  be an IFTS and  $A = \langle x, \mu_A, \nu_A \rangle$  be an IFS in X. Then the intuitionistic fuzzy interior and intuitionistic fuzzy closure are defined by  $int(A) = \bigcup \{G / G \text{ is an IFOS in } X \text{ and } G \subseteq A \},$  $cl(A) = \cap \{K / K \text{ is an IFCS in } X \text{ and } A \subseteq K \}.$ 

Note that for any IFS A in  $(X, \tau)$ , we have  $cl(A^c) = [int(A)]^c$  and  $int(A^c) = [cl(A)]^c$ .

**Definition 2.5:** [6] An IFS A = {  $\langle x, \mu_A, \nu_A \rangle$  } in an IFTS (X,  $\tau$ ) is said to be an

(i) *Intuitionistic fuzzy semi open set* (IFSOS in short) if  $A \subseteq cl(int(A))$ ,

(ii) *Intuitionistic fuzzy*  $\alpha$ *-open set* (IF $\alpha$ OS in short) if A  $\subseteq$  int(cl(int(A))),

(iii) Intuitionistic fuzzy regular open set (IFROS in short) if A = int(cl(A)),

**Definition 2.6:** [7] The union of IFROSs is called intuitionistic fuzzy  $\pi$ -open set (IF $\pi$ OS in short) of an IFTS (X,  $\tau$ ). The complement of IF $\pi$ OS is called intuitionistic fuzzy  $\pi$  -closed set (IF $\pi$ CS in short).

**Definition 2.7:** [6] An IFS  $A = \langle x, \mu_A, \nu_A \rangle$  in an IFTS  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be an (i) *Intuitionistic fuzzy semi closed set* (IFSCS in short) if int(cl(A))  $\subseteq A$ ,

- (ii) *Intuitionistic fuzzy*  $\alpha$ *-closed set* (IF $\alpha$ CS in short) if cl(int(cl(A))  $\subseteq$  A,
- (iii) Intuitionistic fuzzy regular closed set (IFRCS in short) if A = cl(int((A), A))

**Definition 2.8:**[5] An IFS A of an IFTS  $(X, \tau)$  is an

- (i) Intuitionistic fuzzy  $\gamma$ -open set (IF $\gamma$ OS in short) if  $A \subseteq int(cl(A)) \cup cl(int(A))$ ,
- (ii) Intuitionistic fuzzy  $\gamma$ -closed set (IF $\gamma$ CS in short) if cl(int(A))  $\cap$  int(cl(A))  $\subseteq$  A.

**Definition 2.9:** [11] Let A be an IFS in an IFTS  $(X, \tau)$ . Then sint(A) =  $\cup \{ G / G \text{ is an IFSOS in } X \text{ and } G \subseteq A \}$ , scl(A) =  $\cap \{ K / K \text{ is an IFSCS in } X \text{ and } A \subseteq K \}$ .

Note that for any IFS A in  $(X, \tau)$ , we have  $scl(A^c)=(sint(A))^c$  and  $sint(A^c)=(scl(A))^c$ . **Definition 2.10:** [10] An IFS A in an IFTS  $(X, \tau)$  is an

- (i) Intuitionistic fuzzy generalized closed set (IFGCS in short) if  $cl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is an IFOS in X.
- (ii) Intuitionistic fuzzy regular generalized closed set (IFRGCS in short) if  $cl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is an IFROS in X.

**Definition 2.11:** [11] An IFS A in an IFTS  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be an intuitionistic fuzzy generalized semi closed set (IFGSCS in short) if scl(A)  $\subseteq$  U whenever A  $\subseteq$  U and U is an IFOS in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Definition 2.12:** [10] An IFS A in  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be an intuitionistic fuzzy  $\pi g\gamma^*$  closed set  $(IF\pi g\gamma^*CS \text{ in short})$  if  $cl(int(A)) \cap int(cl(A)) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and U is an  $IF\pi OS$  in  $(X, \tau)$ . The family of all  $IF\pi g\gamma^*CS$  of an IFTS  $(X, \tau)$  is denoted by  $IF\pi g\gamma^*C(X)$ .

**Result 2.13**: [10] Every IFCS, IFGCS, IFRCS, IF $\alpha$ CS is an IF  $\pi g\gamma$ \*CS but the converses may not be true in general.

**Definition 2.14:** [10] An IFS A is said to be an intuitionistic fuzzy  $\pi g\gamma^*$  open set (IF $\pi g\gamma^*$ OS in short) in (X,  $\tau$ ) if the complement A<sup>c</sup> is an IF $\pi g\gamma^*$ CS in X. The family of all IF $\pi g\gamma^*$ OSs of an IFTS (X,  $\tau$ ) is denoted by IF $\pi g\gamma^*$ O(X).

**Definition 2.15:** [5] Let f be a mapping from an IFTS  $(X, \tau)$  into an IFTS  $(Y, \sigma)$ . Then f is said to be intuitionistic fuzzy contra continuous (IF contra continuous in short) if  $f^{-1}(B) \in IFCS(X)$  for every  $B \in \sigma$ .

**Definition 2.16:** [6] Let f be a mapping from an IFTS  $(X, \tau)$  into an IFTS  $(Y, \sigma)$ . Then f is said to be

- (i) Intuitionistic fuzzy semi contra continuous (IFS contra continuous in short) if  $f^{-1}(B) \in IFSCS(X)$  for every  $B \in \sigma$ .
- (ii) Intuitionistic fuzzy  $\alpha$  contra continuous (IF $\alpha$  contra continuous in short) if  $f^{-1}(B) \in IF\alpha CS(X)$  for every  $B \in \sigma$ .
- (iii) Intuitionistic fuzzy pre contra continuous (IFP contra continuous in short) if  $f^{-1}(B) \in IFPCS(X)$  for every  $B \in \sigma$ .

**Definition 2.17:** [5] A mapping f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y,\sigma)$  is called an *intuitionistic fuzzy*  $\gamma$  *contra continuous* (IF $\gamma$  contra continuous in short) if f<sup>-1</sup>(B) is an IF $\gamma$ CS in  $(X, \tau)$  for every B  $\in \sigma$ .

**Definition 2.18:** [9] Let f be a mapping from an IFTS  $(X, \tau)$  into an IFTS  $(Y, \sigma)$ . Then f is said to be an intuitionistic fuzzy generalized contra continuous (IFG contra continuous in short) if  $f^{-1}(B) \in IFGCS(X)$  for every IFOS B in Y.

**Definition 2.19:** [5] An IFTS (X,  $\tau$ ) is said to be an intuitionistic fuzzy  $\pi\gamma^*cT_{1/2}$  (in short IF $\pi\gamma^*cT_{1/2}$ ) space if every IF $\pi g\gamma^*CS$  in X is an IFCS in X.

**Definition 2.20:** [6] An IFTS (X,  $\tau$ ) is an intuitionistic fuzzy  $\pi\gamma^* gT_{1/2}$  (IF $\pi\gamma^* gT_{1/2}$ ) space if every IF $\pi g\gamma^* CS$  is an IFGCS in X.

**Definition 2.21:** [7] An IFTS (X,  $\tau$ ) is said to be an intuitionistic fuzzy  $\pi\gamma^*T_{1/2}$  (in short IF $\pi\gamma^*T_{1/2}$ ) space if every IF $\pi g\gamma^*CS$  in X is an IF $\gamma CS$  in X.

### 3. Intuitionistic fuzzy $\pi g \gamma^*$ homeomorphisms

In this section we have introduced intuitionistic fuzzy  $\pi g \gamma^*$  homeomorphisms and studied some of its properties.

**Definition 3.1:** A bijection mapping f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is called an *intuitionistic fuzzy*  $\pi g\gamma^*$  homeomorphisms if f is both an intuitionistic fuzzy  $\pi g\gamma^*$  continuous mapping and an intuitionistic fuzzy  $\pi g\gamma^*$  closed mapping.

**Example 3.2:** Let  $X = \{a, b\}$ ,  $Y = \{u, v\}$  and  $T_1 = \langle x, (0.5, 0.4), (0.5, 0.6) \rangle$ ,  $T_2 = \langle y, (0.6, 0.6), (0.4, 0.4) \rangle$ . Then  $\tau = \{0_{\neg}, T_{1,} 1_{\neg}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{0_{\neg}, T_{2,} 1_{\neg}\}$  are IFTs on X and Y respectively. Define a mapping f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  by f(a) = u and f(b) = v. Then f is an *intuitionistic fuzzy*  $\pi g \gamma^*$  homeomorphisms.

**Theorem 3.3:** Every intuitionistic fuzzy homeomorphisms is an intuitionistic fuzzy  $\pi g \gamma^*$  homeomorphisms but not conversely.

**Proof:** Let f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be an IF homeomorphism. Then f is both an IF continuous mapping and an IF closed mapping and hence f is both an IF $\pi g\gamma^*$  continuous mapping and an IF $\pi g\gamma^*$  closed mapping. Therefore the mapping f is an IF $\pi g\gamma^*$  homeomorphism.

**Example 3.4:** Let  $X = \{a, b\}$ ,  $Y = \{u, v\}$  and  $T_1 = \langle x, (0.5, 0.4), (0.5, 0.6) \rangle$ ,  $T_2 = \langle y, (0.6, 0.6) \rangle$ ,  $(0.4, 0.4) \rangle$ . Then  $\tau = \{0_{\sim}, T_1, 1_{\sim}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{0_{\sim}, T_2, 1_{\sim}\}$  are IFTs on X and Y respectively. Define a mapping f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  by f(a) = u and f(b) = v. By Example 3.2, f is an *intuitionistic fuzzy*  $\pi g \gamma^*$  homeomorphisms. But f is not IF homeomorphism, since f is not an IF continuous mapping, as  $T_2^c = \langle y, (0.4, 0.4), (0.6, 0.6) \rangle$  is an IFCS in Y but f<sup>-1</sup>( $T_2^c$ ) is not an IFCS in X, as the only IFCSs in X are 0<sup>c</sup>, 1<sup>c</sup> and  $T_1^c$ .

**Theorem 3.5:** Every IF $\alpha$  homeomorphism is an IF $\pi g\gamma^*$  homeomorphism but not conversely in general.

**Proof:** Let f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be an IF $\alpha$  homeomorphism. Then f is both an IF $\alpha$  continuous mapping and an IF $\alpha$  closed mapping. As every IF $\alpha$  continuous mapping is an  $IF\pi g\gamma^*$  continuous mapping and every IF $\alpha$  closed mapping is an  $IF\pi g\gamma^*$  closed mapping, f is an  $IF\pi g\gamma^*$  homeomorphism.

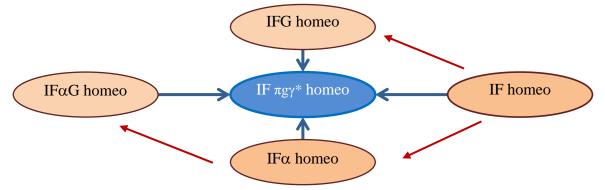
**Example 3.6:** Let  $X = \{a, b\}$ ,  $Y = \{u, v\}$  and  $T_1 = \langle x, (0.5, 0.4), (0.5, 0.6) \rangle$  and  $T_2 = \langle y, (0.5, 0.6), (0.4, 0.4) \rangle$ . Then  $\tau = \{0_{\neg}, T_1, 1_{\neg}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{0_{\neg}, T_2, 1_{\neg}\}$  are IFTs on X and Y respectively. Define a mapping f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  by f(a) = u and f(b) = v. Here f is an IF $\pi$ g $\gamma$ \* homeomorphism. But f is not an IF $\alpha$  homeomorphism, since f is not an IF $\alpha$  continuous mapping, as  $T_2^c = \langle y, (0.5, 0.6), (0.5, 0.4) \rangle$  is an IFCS in Y but  $f^{-1}(T_2^c) = \langle x, (0.5, 0.4), (0.5, 0.6) \rangle$  is not an IF $\alpha$ CS in X.

**Theorem 3.7:** Every IFg homeomorphism is an  $IF\pi g\gamma^*$  homeomorphism but not conversely in general.

**Proof:** Let f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be an IFg homeomorphism. Then f is both an IFg continuous mapping and an IFg closed mapping. As every IFg continuous mapping is an IF $\pi g\gamma^*$  continuous mapping and every IFg closed mapping is an IF $\pi g\gamma^*$  closed mapping, f is an IF $\pi g\gamma^*$  homeomorphism.

**Example 3.8:** Let X = { a, b }, Y = { u, v } and T<sub>1</sub> =  $\langle x, (0.5, 0.4), (0.5, 0.6) \rangle$ , T<sub>2</sub> =  $\langle x, (0.6, 0.6), (0.4, 0.4) \rangle$ . Then  $\tau = \{0_{\sim}, T_{1, 1_{\sim}}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{0_{\sim}, T_{2, 1_{\sim}}\}$  are IFTs on X and Y respectively. Define a mapping f: (X,  $\tau$ )  $\rightarrow$  (Y,  $\sigma$ ) by f(a) = u and f(b) = v. Here f is an  $IF\pi g\gamma^*$  homeomorphism but not an IF g homeomorphism, since f is not an IFg continuous mapping, as T<sub>2</sub><sup>c</sup> =  $\langle y, (0.4, 0.4), (0.6, 0.6) \rangle$  is an IFCS in Y but f<sup>-1</sup>(T<sub>2</sub><sup>c</sup>) =  $\langle x, (0.4, 0.4), (0.6, 0.6) \rangle$  is not an IFGCS in X.

The relation between various types of intuitionistic fuzzy homeomorphism is given in the following diagram. In this diagram 'homeo' means homeomorphism.



The reverse implications are not true in general in the above diagram.

**Theorem 3.9:** Let f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be an  $IF \pi g \gamma^*$  homeomorphism, then f is an IF homeomorphism if X and Y are  $IF\gamma^*cT_{1/2}$  space.

**Proof:** Let f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be an  $IF \pi g \gamma^*$  homeomorphism. Then f is  $IF \pi g \gamma^*$  continuous mapping and is an  $IF \pi g \gamma^*$  closed mapping. Since X and Y are  $IF \gamma^* cT_{1/2}$  spaces, f is IF continuous mapping and IF closed mapping. Hence, f is IF homeomorphism.

**Theorem 3.10:** Let f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be an  $IF \pi g \gamma^*$  homeomorphism, then f is an IF generalized homeomorphism if X and Y are  $IF \gamma^* g T_{1/2} space$ .

**Proof:** Let f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be an  $IF \pi g \gamma^*$  homeomorphism. Then f is  $IF \pi g \gamma^*$  continuous mapping and is an  $IF \pi g \gamma^*$  closed mapping. Since X and Y are  $IF \gamma^* g T_{1/2}$  space, f is IF g continuous mapping and IF g closed mapping. Hence, f is IF g homeomorphism.

**Theorem 3.11:** Let f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be a bijective mapping. Then the following are equivalent:

(i) f is an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  closed mapping,

(ii) f<sup>-1</sup> is IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  continuous mapping,

(iii) f is an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  open mapping.

## **Proof:**

(i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) Let B be an IFCS in X. Since f is an  $IF \pi g \gamma^*$  closed mapping  $f(B) = (f^{-1})^{-1}(B)$  is an  $IF \pi g \gamma^* CS$  in Y. This implies  $f^{-1}$  is an  $IF \pi g \gamma^*$  continuous mapping. (ii)  $\Rightarrow$ (iii) Let A be an IFOS in X. Then by hypothesis  $(f^{-1})^{-1}(A) = f(A)$  is an  $IF \pi g \gamma^* OS$  in Y. That is f is an  $IF \pi g \gamma^*$  open mapping.

(iii) $\Rightarrow$ (i) Let f be an  $IF \pi g\gamma^*$  open mapping. Let A be an IFCS in X. Then A<sup>c</sup> is an IFOS in X. By hypothesis  $f(A^c) = f(A)^c$  is an  $IF \pi g\gamma^*$  OS in Y as f is bijective. Therefore f(A) is an  $IF \pi g\gamma^*$  CS in Y. Hence f is an  $IF \pi g\gamma^*$  closed mapping.

### **4** Intuitionistic fuzzy M-πgγ\* homeomorphisms

In this section we have introduced intuitionistic fuzzy  $M-\pi g\gamma^*$  homeomorphisms and investigated some of their properties.

**Definition 4.1:** A bijective mapping f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is called an *intuitionistic fuzzy* M- $\pi g\gamma^*$  (IFM- $\pi g\gamma^*$ ) *homeomorphism* if f is both an *IF*  $\pi g\gamma^*$  irresolute mapping and an *IF*  $\pi g\gamma^*$  closed mapping.

**Example 4.2:** Let X = {a, b}, Y= {u, v}, G<sub>1</sub> =  $\langle x, (0.5, 0.4), (0.5, 0.6) \rangle$  and G<sub>2</sub> =  $\langle y, (0.4, 0.4), (0.6, 0.6) \rangle$ . Then  $\tau = \{0_{\sim}, G_1, 1_{\sim}\}$  and  $\sigma = \{0_{\sim}, G_2, 1_{\sim}\}$  are IFTs on X and Y respectively, where Then (X,  $\tau$ ) is an IFTS. Define a mapping f: (X,  $\tau$ )  $\rightarrow$  (Y,  $\sigma$ ) by f(a) = u and f(b) = v. Here f is both an *IF*  $\pi g \gamma^*$  irresolute mapping and an *IF*  $\pi g \gamma^*$  closed mapping. Hence f is an IFM- $\pi g \gamma^*$  homeomorphism.

**Proposition 4.3:** Every IFM- $\pi g\gamma^*$  homeomorphism is an *IF*  $\pi g\gamma^*$  homeomorphism.

**Proof:** Let f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  be an IFM- $\pi g \gamma^*$  homeomorphism.

Therfore, f is both an  $IF \pi g\gamma^*$  irresolute mapping and an  $IF \pi g\gamma^*$  closed mapping. To Prove : f is  $IF \pi g\gamma^*$  continuous mapping.

Let B be an IFCS in Y. This implies B is an  $IF \pi g\gamma^*$  CS in Y. By hypothesis f<sup>-1</sup>(B) is an  $IF \pi g\gamma^*$  CS in X. Hence f is an  $IF \pi g\gamma^*$  continuous mapping. Hence f is an  $IF \pi g\gamma^*$  homeomorphism.

## 5 Intuitionistic fuzzy $\pi g \gamma^*$ connected spaces

In this section we have introduced intuitionistic fuzzy  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected space and investigated some of their properties.

**Definition 5.1:** An IFTS (X,  $\tau$ ) is said to be an *IF*  $\pi g \gamma^*$  *connected space* if the only IFSs which are both IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  OS and an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  CS are 0<sub>-</sub>and 1<sub>-</sub>.

**Proposition 5.2:** Every IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected space is an IFC<sub>5</sub>-connected space but not conversely in general.

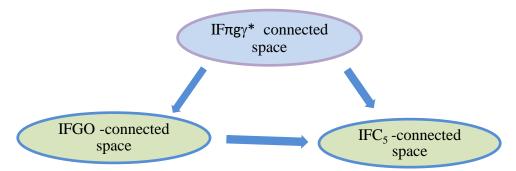
**Proof:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected space. Suppose  $(X, \tau)$  is not an IFC<sub>5</sub>-connected space, then there exists a proper IFS A which is both an IFOS and an IFCS in  $(X, \tau)$ . That is A is both an IF $\pi g \gamma^* OS$  and an IF $\pi g \gamma^* CS$  in  $(X, \tau)$ . This implies that  $(X, \tau)$  is not an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected space, a contradiction. Therefore  $(X, \tau)$  must be an IFC<sub>5</sub>-connected space.

**Proposition 5.4:** Every IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected space is an IFGO-connected space but not conversely in general.

**Proof:** Let(X, $\tau$ ) be an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected space. Suppose(X, $\tau$ ) is not an IFGO-connected space, then there exists a proper IFS A which is both an IFGOS and an IFGCS in (X, $\tau$ ). That is A is both an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  OS and an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  CS in (X, $\tau$ ). This implies that (X, $\tau$ ) is not an IF $\gamma^*$ G connected space, a contradiction. Therefore (X,  $\tau$ ) must be an IFGO-connected space.

**Example 5.5:** Let X = {a, b}, G<sub>1</sub>=  $\langle x, (0.2, 0.2), (0.7, 0.8) \rangle$  and G<sub>2</sub> =  $\langle x, (0.6, 0.5), (0.4, 0.4) \rangle$ . Then  $\tau = \{0_{-}, G_1, G_2, 1_{-}\}$  be an IFT on X. Here (X,  $\tau$ ) is an IFGO connected space but not an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected space, since the IFS A =  $\langle x, (0.5, 0.4), (0.5, 0.5) \rangle$  is both an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  OS and an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  CS in (X,  $\tau$ ).

The relation between various types of intuitionistic fuzzy connectedness is given in the following diagram.



In the above diagram the reverse implications are not true in general.

**Proposition 5.6:** The IFTS (X,  $\tau$ ) is an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected space if and only if there exists no non zero IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  OSs A and B in (X,  $\tau$ ) such that  $A = B^c$ .

**Proof:** Necessity: Let A and B be two IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  OSs in  $(X, \tau)$  such that  $A \neq 0_{\sim}$ ,  $B \neq 0_{\sim}$  and  $A = B^c$ . Therefore  $A = B^c$  is an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  CS. Since  $B \neq 0_{\sim}$ ,  $A = B^c \neq 1_{\sim}$ . Hence A is a proper IFS which is both an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  OS and an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  CS in  $(X, \tau)$ . Hence  $(X, \tau)$  is not an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected space, a contradiction to our hypothesis. Hence there exists no non-zero IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  OSs A and B in  $(X, \tau)$  such that  $A = B^c$ .

**Sufficiency:** Suppose  $(X, \tau)$  is not an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected space. Then there exists an IFS which is both an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  OS and an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  CS in  $(X, \tau)$  such that  $0 \neq A \neq 1$ . Now let  $B = A^c$ . Then B is an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  OS and  $B \neq 1$ . This implies  $B^c = A \neq 0$ , which is a contradiction to our hypothesis. Hence  $(X, \tau)$  is an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected space.

**Proposition 5.7:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be an IF  $\pi g \gamma^* T_{1/2}$  space, then the following are equivalent:

- (i)  $(X, \tau)$  is an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected space,
- (ii)  $(X, \tau)$  is an IFGO connected space,
- (iii)  $(X, \tau)$  is an IFC<sub>5</sub>- connected space.

**Proof:** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) is obvious from the Proposition 6.2.4.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) is obvious.

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) Let (X,  $\tau$ ) be an intuitionistic fuzzy C<sub>5</sub>- connected space. Suppose (X,  $\tau$ ) is not an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected space, then there exists a proper IFS A in (X,  $\tau$ ) which is both an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  OS and an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  CS in (X,  $\tau$ ). But since (X,  $\tau$ ) is an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  T<sub>1/2</sub> space, A is both an IFOS and an IFCS in (X,  $\tau$ ). This implies that (X,  $\tau$ ) is not an IFC<sub>5</sub>-connected, which is a contradiction to our hypothesis. Therefore (X,  $\tau$ ) must be an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected space.

**Proposition 5.8:** If f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  continuous mapping and  $(X, \tau)$  is an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected space, then  $(Y, \sigma)$  is an IFC<sub>5</sub>- connected space.

**Proof:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected space. Suppose  $(Y, \sigma)$  is not an IFC<sub>5</sub>-connected space, then there exists a proper IFS A which is both an IFOS and an IFCS in  $(Y, \sigma)$ . Since f is an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  continuous mapping, f<sup>-1</sup>(A) is both an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  OS and an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  CS in  $(X, \tau)$ . But it is a contradiction to our hypothesis. Hence  $(Y, \sigma)$  must be an IFC<sub>5</sub>-connected space.

**Proposition 5.9:** If f:  $(X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  irresolute surjection mapping and  $(X, \tau)$  is an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected space, then  $(Y, \sigma)$  is an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected space.

**Proof:** Suppose  $(Y, \sigma)$  is not an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected space, then there exists a proper IFS A such that A is both an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  OS and an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  CS in  $(Y, \sigma)$ . Since f is an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  irresolute mapping, f<sup>-1</sup>(A) is both an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  OS and an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  CS in  $(X, \tau)$ . But this is a contradiction to our hypothesis. Hence  $(Y, \sigma)$  must be an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected space.

**Definition 5.10:** An IFTS (X,  $\tau$ ) is an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected between two IFSs A and B if there is no IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  OS E in (X,  $\tau$ ) such that A  $\subseteq$  E and  $E_{\overline{\alpha}}$  B.

**Proposition 5.11:** An IFTS  $(X, \tau)$  is IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected between two IFSs A and B if and only if there is no IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  OS and IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  CS E in  $(X, \tau)$  such that  $A \subseteq E \subseteq B^c$ .

**Proof:** Necessity: Let  $(X, \tau)$  be IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected between two IFSs A and B. Suppose that there exists an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  OS and IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  CS E in  $(X, \tau)$  such that  $A \subseteq E \subseteq B^c$ , then  $E_{\overline{q}} B$  and A

 $\subseteq$ E. This implies (X,  $\tau$ ) is not IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected between A and B, by a contradiction to our hypothesis. Therefore there is no IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  OS and an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  CS E in (X,  $\tau$ ) such that A  $\subseteq$  E  $\subseteq$  B<sup>c</sup>.

**Sufficiency:** Suppose that  $(X, \tau)$  is not IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected between A and B. Then there exists an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  OS E in  $(X, \tau)$  such that  $A \subseteq E$  and  $E_{\overline{a}}$  B. This implies that there is no IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  OS E in

 $(X, \tau)$  such that  $A \subseteq E \subseteq B^c$ . But this is a contradiction to our hypothesis. Hence  $(X, \tau)$  is IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected between A and B.

**Proposition 5.12:** If an IFTS  $(X, \tau)$  is IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected between A and B and A  $\subseteq$  A<sub>1</sub>, B  $\subseteq$  B<sub>1</sub>, then  $(X, \tau)$  is an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected between A<sub>1</sub> and B<sub>1</sub>.

**Proof:** Suppose that  $(X, \tau)$  is not IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected between  $A_1$  and  $B_1$ , then by Definition of 'IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected between two IFSs A and B', there exists an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  OS E in  $(X, \tau)$  such that  $A_1 \subseteq E$  and  $E_{\overline{q}} B_1$ . This implies  $E \subseteq B_1^c$  and  $A_1 \subseteq E$ . That is  $A \subseteq A_1 \subseteq E$ . Hence  $A \subseteq E$ . Since  $E \subseteq B_1^c$ ,  $B_1 \subseteq E^c$ , that is  $B \subseteq B_1 \subseteq E^c$ . Hence  $E \subseteq B^c$ . Therefore  $(X, \tau)$  is not IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected between A and B, which is a contradiction to our hypothesis. Hence  $(X, \tau)$  must be IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected between A<sub>1</sub> and B<sub>1</sub>.

**Proposition 5.13:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be an IFTS and A and B be IFSs in  $(X, \tau)$ . If A <sub>q</sub> B, then  $(X, \tau)$  is IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected between A and B.

**Proof:** Suppose  $(X, \tau)$  is not an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected between A and B. Then there exists an IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  OS E in  $(X, \tau)$  such that  $A \subseteq E$  and  $E \subseteq B^c$ . This implies that  $A \subseteq B^c$ . That is  $A_{\overline{q}}$  B. But this is a contradiction to our hypothesis. Hence  $(X, \tau)$  must be IF  $\pi g \gamma^*$  connected between A and B.

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