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## MORE CHARACTERIZATIONS ABOUT SOFT SETS AND SOFT CONTINUITY

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Abstract. We introduce and study the indicator soft sets  $(Ind(A), \mathcal{P})$  where  $A \subset \mathcal{P}$ and  $\mathcal{P}$  is the set of parameters. We use the indicator soft sets to define the indicator soft topology  $Ind(\tau)$  where  $\tau$  is any topology on the set of parameters  $\mathcal{P}$ . We show that  $\tau$  and  $Ind(\tau)$  have the same corresponding properties: compactness, Lindelöf property, second-countable, separation axioms. We proved that a soft mapping  $fpu: (\mathcal{U}, Ind(\tau), \mathcal{P}) \to (\mathcal{U}', Ind(\tau'), \mathcal{P}')$  is soft continuous (quasi-continuous, open, closed, soft homeomorphism)  $iff p : (\mathcal{P}, \tau) \to (\mathcal{P}', \tau')$  is continuous (quasicontinuous, open, closed, homeomorphism). We use these results to generate counter examples for soft topological spaces. For example, we gave an example to show that soft quasi-continuous mapping are not soft continuous, another example to show that soft  $T_3$  – space are not soft  $T_4$ , and an example to show that none of the soft separation axioms are preserved under soft open mappings.

## 1. Preliminaries

The soft set theory is introduced In 1999 (see [12]) with various applications of the new theory. In 2003 the notation of soft subset, complement, union and intersections (see [11])are defined and studied. In 2010 soft topology is introduced by [17] and [3]. Other papers about soft topology appeared in 2011 (see [7] and [18]).

Soft points first defined in 2011 as points in the universe with certain criteria, see [17], and still in use by many authors, in 2012 [24] introduced soft functions and a new definition for soft points. Soft compactness first introduced by [24] and soft separation axioms by [8].

Up to the present, soft sets and topologies are still a very active area for research in the theoretical aspect specially concerning soft separation axioms [9],[14] and [27], and

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