

Fuzzy Metric on Fuzzy Linear Spaces

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Abstract: *In this paper, we introduce metric on a subset of a fuzzy linear space and some of its properties are discussed. In the sequel, we proved that a norm on a fuzzy linear space (in sense of C. P. Santhosh and T. V. Ramakrishnan [1]) induces a metric of fuzzy linear spaces (in our sense).*

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1. Introduction

How to define a fuzzy metric is one of the fundamental problems in fuzzy mathematics which is widely used in fuzzy optimization and pattern recognition. Different authors introduced different notion of metric on a fuzzy set from different view point. K.C. Wong [2] defined fuzzy point and discussed some topological properties. Zike Dong [3] defined Pseudo- metric spaces with metric defined between fuzzy points rather than between fuzzy sets. Nai-Hung Hsu [4] introduced fuzzy metric space with metric defined between fuzzy points. Gu Wenxiang and Tu Lu [5] introduced notions of fuzzy field and fuzzy linear spaces over fuzzy field. Thereafter, C. P. Santhosh and T.V. Ramakrishna [1] introduced the concept of norm and inner product on fuzzy linear spaces. This paper is an attempt to define a metric of fuzzy set (fuzzy linear space over fuzzy field) contained in fuzzy linear spaces so that a norm defined by [1] induces a metric on fuzzy linear spaces.

2. Brief summary of Fuzzy Field and Fuzzy Linear Spaces

In this paper, \mathfrak{R} the set of all real numbers, or \mathbb{C} the set of all complex numbers.

Definition 2.1 [5] Let F be a field and let K be fuzzy set in F with membership function μ . Suppose the following conditions hold

- (1) $\mu(x + y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$
- (2). $\mu(-x) \geq \mu(x)$
- (3). $\mu(xy) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$ (4). $\mu(x^{-1}) \geq \mu(x)$

Then we call K is a fuzzy field in F (fuzzy field of F) and it is denoted by (K, F)

Proposition 2.2 [5] If (K, F) is a fuzzy field of F , then

- (1). $\mu(0) \geq \mu(x), x \in F$ (2). $\mu(1) \geq \mu(x), x \neq 0$

Proposition 2.3 [1] If (K, F) is a fuzzy field of F , then

- (1). $\mu(x) = \mu(-x), x \in F$ (2). $\mu(x^{-1}) = \mu(x), x \neq 0$

Proposition 2.4 [5] Let K and F be fields and $f: F \rightarrow K$ be homomorphism. Suppose (X, F) is fuzzy a field of F and (Y, K) is a fuzzy field of K . Then

- (i) $(f(X), K)$ is a fuzzy field of K . (ii) $(f^{-1}(Y), F)$ a fuzzy field of F .

Definition 2.5 [5] Let F be a field and let K be fuzzy set in F with membership function μ .

Let X be a linear space over field F and U be a fuzzy set in X with membership function T . Suppose the following conditions hold:

- (1) $T(x + y) \geq \min\{T(x), T(y)\}$ (2) $T(-x) \geq T(x)$
- (3) $T(\lambda x) \geq \min\{\mu(\lambda), T(x)\}$ (4) $\mu(1) \geq T(0)$

Then we call (U, X) fuzzy linear space over fuzzy field (K, F) .

Proposition 2.6 [1,5] If (U, X) is fuzzy linear space over fuzzy field (K, F) . Then

- (1) $\mu(0) \geq T(x)$ (2) $T(-x) = T(x)$ (3) $T(0) \geq T(x)$

Proposition 2.7 [5] Let X and Y be linear spaces over field F , let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be linear transformation. If (U, X) and (V, Y) are fuzzy linear spaces over fuzzy field (K, F) , then

- (i) $(f(U), Y)$ is a fuzzy linear spaces over fuzzy field of (K, F) .
- (ii) $(f^{-1}(V), X)$ a fuzzy linear space over fuzzy field of (K, F) .

Proposition 2.8 [1] let $\{(K_i, F)\}$ be a fuzzy field over F , let $\{(V_i, X_i)\}_{i=1}^n$ be sequence of fuzzy linear spaces over (K_i, F) , then $(V_1 \times V_2 \times \dots \times V_n, X_1 \times X_2 \times \dots \times X_n)$ is fuzzy linear space.

Proposition 2.9 [6] Let U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n be fuzzy sets in X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n respectively, then the Cartesian product is a fuzzy set in the product space $X_1 \times X_2 \times \dots \times X_n$, with membership function $T_{U_1 \times U_2 \times \dots \times U_n}(x) = \min\{T_{U_i}(x_i)\}$: Where $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), x_i \in X_i$

3. Fuzzy Metric of Fuzzy Linear Spaces

In this section, a metric will be defined on a set contained in fuzzy linear space.

Notation: Throughout this section, the following notations will be used:

- (i) (U, X) a fuzzy linear spaces over fuzzy field (K, F) with membership functions of U and K, T and μ respectively
- (ii) A is non empty fuzzy subset of X , we mean that $A \subseteq X$ and $T(x) \neq 0$ for every $x \in A$.

Definition 3.2 Let (K, F) be fuzzy field in F , X be linear spaces over F , and let (U, X) be fuzzy linear spaces over (K, F) .

Let $\emptyset \neq A \subseteq U$. A function, $d: A \times A \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ satisfying the following conditions:

- (1) $\mu(d(x, y)) \geq T_{A \times A}(x, y)$
- (2) $d(x, y) \geq 0$ and $d(x, y) = 0$ if and only if $x = y$
- (3) $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$ for all $x, y \in A$
- (4) $d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y)$ for all $x, y, z \in A$.

Then d is said to be fuzzy metric on (A, U) (fuzzy metric on A) and $((A, U), d)$ is called fuzzy metric space.

Example 3.3 Let X be a linear space over F , and let (U, X) be a fuzzy linear spaces over a fuzzy field (K, F) . Let A be a nonempty subset of X . Consider a discrete metric $d, d: A \times A \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ given by $d(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \neq y \\ 0 & \text{if } x = y \end{cases}$. Then $((A, U), d)$ is a fuzzy metric space.

Proof: Clearly, d is metric on A , and hence it satisfies conditions (2)-(4) of definition 3.2. So, it suffices to verify definition 3.2(1). But,

$\mu(d(x, y)) = \begin{cases} \mu(1) & \text{if } x \neq y \\ \mu(0) & \text{if } x = y \end{cases}$. By definition 2.5(4) and proposition 2.6(1), we have $\mu(1) \geq T(x)$ and $\mu(0) \geq T(x)$. Thus, $\mu(1) \geq T_{A \times A}(x, y)$ and $\mu(0) \geq T_{A \times A}(x, y)$. Therefore, $((A, U), d)$ is fuzzy metric space.

A fuzzy metric as in example 3.3 will be referred as a discrete fuzzy metric on (A, U) .

Example 3.4 Let (F, \mathcal{R}) be a fuzzy field in \mathcal{R} . If $d: \mathcal{R} \times \mathcal{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is a mapping defined by $d(x, y) = |x - y|$, then $((F, \mathcal{R}), d)$ is a fuzzy metric space.

Proof: Since d satisfies (2)-(4) of definition 3.2, we need to verify definition 3.2(1). But

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(d(x, y)) &= \begin{cases} \mu(|x - y|) = \mu(x - y) & \text{if } x \geq y \\ \mu(y - x) & \text{if } x < y \end{cases} \\ &= \mu(x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(-y)\} \\ &= \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\} = \mu_{K \times K}(x, y) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $((F, \mathcal{R}), d)$ is fuzzy metric space.

We may define convergence of sequences in $((A, U), d)$ as follows.

Definition 3.5 Let $((A, U), d)$ be fuzzy metric spaces. A sequence $\{x_n\}$ is said to be convergent to $\{x_0\}$ (denoted by $\min_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x_0$) with respect to fuzzy metric d if and only if given $\epsilon > 0$, there exists a positive integer N such

that for all $n \geq N, \mu(d(x_0, x_n)) \geq T_{A \times A}(x_0, x_n)$ and $d(x_0, x_n) < \epsilon$

Remark 3.6 If limit of a sequence exists it is unique.

Definition 3.7 Let $((A, U), d)$ be a fuzzy metric spaces. A sequence $\{x_n\}$ is said to be Cauchy sequence with respect to d if and only if given $\epsilon > 0$, there is a positive integer N such that for all $m, n \geq N, d(x_m, x_n) < \epsilon$ and $\mu(d(x_m, x_n)) \geq T_{A \times A}(x_m, x_n)$.

Definition 3.8 A fuzzy metric space $((A, U), d)$ is said to be complete if and only if every Cauchy sequence of $((A, U), d)$ has a convergent subsequence.

Theorem 3.9 If a fuzzy metric space $((A, U), d)$ is complete then (A, d) is complete metric space

Proof: The result follows from definition 3.2.

Theorem 3.10 Suppose $((V_i, X_i), d_i)_{i=1}^n$ is the sequence fuzzy metric spaces over fuzzy fields (K_i, F) for each $i=1, 2, 3, \dots, n$, then $(V_1 \times \dots \times V_n, X_1 \times \dots \times X_n)$ is a fuzzy metric space.

Proof: Consider a mapping $d: X_1 \times \dots \times X_n \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ given by

$d(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^n d_i(x_i, y_i)$, Where $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$. Then d is metric on $X_1 \times \dots \times X_n$. Hence, it satisfies (2)-(4) of definition 3.2. Therefore, it suffices to verify definition 3.2(1). Now suppose μ_{K_i} and T_{V_i} are membership functions of K_i and V_i for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ respectively. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(d(x, y)) &= \mu(\sum_{i=1}^n d_i(x_i, y_i)) \\ &\geq \min\{\mu(d_1(x_1, y_1)), \mu(d_2(x_2, y_2)), \dots, \mu(d_n(x_n, y_n))\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\geq \min\{T_{V_1 \times V_1}(x_1, y_1), T_{V_2 \times V_2}(x_2, y_2), \dots, T_{V_n \times V_n}(x_n, y_n)\}$$

$$\geq \min\{\min\{T_{V_1}(x_1), T_{V_1}(y_1)\}, \dots, \min\{T_{V_n}(x_n), T_{V_n}(y_n)\}\}$$

$$= \min\{\min\{T_{V_1}(x_1), \dots, T_{V_n}(x_n)\}, \min\{T_{V_1}(y_1), \dots, T_{V_n}(y_n)\}\}$$

$$= \min\{T_{V_1 \times V_2 \times \dots \times V_n}(x), T_{V_1 \times V_2 \times \dots \times V_n}(y)\} = T_{V_1 \times V_2 \times \dots \times V_n}(x, y)$$

Hence, $((V_1 \times V_2 \times \dots \times V_n, X_1 \times X_2 \times \dots \times X_n), d)$ is a fuzzy metric space.

Example 3.11 Let (K, \mathcal{R}) be a fuzzy field of \mathcal{R} . A function $d: \mathcal{R}^n \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ given by

$$d(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i - y_i|, \text{ where } x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) \text{ defines a metric on } (K_1, K_2, \dots, K_n, \mathcal{R}^n).$$

Proof: The result follows from example 3.4 and theorem 3.10.

Theorem 3.12 Let X and Y be linear spaces over the field F . Let (U, X) be fuzzy linear spaces over fuzzy field (K, F) , and let A be a non empty subset of X and B be a non empty subset of Y . If $f: A \rightarrow B$ is a bijective mapping, then the following statements are equivalent

- (1). (V, A) is fuzzy metric space.
- (2). $(f(V), B)$ is fuzzy metric space.

Proof: (1) \Rightarrow (2): Let $((V, A), d_A)$ be fuzzy metric space. Let $d_B: B \times B \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ be given by $d_B(y_1, y_2) = d_A(x_1, x_2)$, where $y_i = f(x_i), i = 1, 2$. Then clearly d_B defines a metric on B . Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(d_B(w, z)) &= \mu(d_A(x, y): w = fx, z = fy) \\ &\geq T_{A \times A}(x, y) = \min\{T(x), T(y)\} \\ &= \min\{T_{f(A)}(f(x)), T_{f(A)}(f(y))\} \\ &= T_{f(A) \times f(A)}(w, z) = T_{B \times B}(w, z) \end{aligned}$$

(2) \Rightarrow 1: Let $(f(V), B, d_B)$ be a fuzzy metric space. Let $d_A: A \times A \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ given by $d_A(x_1, x_2) = d_B(y_1, y_2), y_i = f(x_i), i = 1, 2$. Clearly d_A defines metric on A . Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(d_A(x_1, x_2)) &= \mu(d_B(y_1, y_2): y_i = f(x_i), i = 1, 2) \\ &\geq T_{f(V) \times f(V)}(y_1, y_2) \\ &= \min\{T_{f(A)}(y_1), T_{f(A)}(y_2)\} \\ &= \min\{T(x_1), T(x_2)\} = T_{A \times A}(x_1, x_2). \end{aligned}$$

Now we will give an example of fuzzy linear spaces without non trivial metric on it; even though, the universal spaces are metric spaces.

Example 3.13 Let (K, \mathcal{R}) fuzzy field with membership function μ such that

$$\mu(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = \pm 1, x = 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \text{if } x \neq 0, \pm 1 \end{cases}. \text{ Let } X \text{ be a metric linear}$$

space over F . Let U be a fuzzy set with membership function T such that $T(x) = 1$ for all $x \in X$, then (U, X) is fuzzy linear space. However, there is no nontrivial fuzzy metric, d on (U, X) which satisfies definition 3.2(1).

C.P. Santhosh and T. V. Ramakrishan [1] introduced a norm on Fuzzy linear spaces. Now we will show that, this norm induces metric on the same fuzzy linear spaces in our sense.

Definition 3.14 [1] Let (K, F) be fuzzy field in F, X be linear spaces over F , and let (U, X) be fuzzy linear spaces over (K, F) .

A norm on (U, X) is a function, $\|\cdot\|: X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ satisfies the following conditions:

- (1). $\mu(\|x\|) \geq T(x)$
- (2). $\|x\| \geq 0$ and $\|x\| = 0$ if and only if $x = 0$
- (3) $\|\alpha x\| = |\alpha| \|x\|$ for all $x \in X$
- (4) $\|x - y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$ for all $x, y \in X$.

A pair $(U, X, \|\cdot\|)$ is called fuzzy normed linear space.

Theorem 3.15 Let (U, X) be a fuzzy normed linear space over a fuzzy field (K, F) . Then (U, X) is fuzzy linear metric space.

Proof: Let of $(U, X, \|\cdot\|)$ be a normed space, let T and μ be membership functions of fuzzy set U in X and K in F respectively.

Consider a mapping, $d: X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ given by $d(x, y) = \|x - y\|$. Clearly d defines metric on X . Hence it satisfies (2) – (4) of definition 3.2. So, we will verify only definition 3.2(1). Since $\mu(\|x - y\|) \geq T(x - y)$ by definition 3.14(1), and $T(x - y) \geq \min\{T(x), T(-y)\}$ by (definition 2.5(1)), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(d(x, y)) &= \mu(\|x - y\|) \geq T(x - y) \\ &\geq \min\{T(x), T(-y)\} \\ &= \min\{T(x), T(y)\} = T_{U \times U}(x, y) \end{aligned}$$

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