

A Study of Some Well-Known Results on Fuzzy Metric Space

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Abstract

In this paper, the notation of fuzzy metric space is re-introduced with different properties and we prove some well-known results on fuzzy metric space based on George – Veeramani approach.

Introduction

To deal the vagueness and uncertainty seen in mathematics, Prof. Zadeh introduced fuzzy set and fuzzy logic in 1965. After then lots of research work have been done in the field of fuzzy logic and fuzzy sets. Fuzzy set theory is aboard view of classical set theory. Specially, fuzzy logic may be viewed as an attempt at formation of two remarkable capabilities. First the capability to converse the reason and make rational decision in an environment of vagueness , uncertainty, incompleteness of information, conflicting information, partiality of truth and partiality of possibility. Second , the capability to perform a wide variety of physical and mental task without any measurement and any computation [Zadeh 2008]. Fuzzy logic and fuzzy set theory is widely used in the field of topology. Fuzzy topology

is an important and fundamental branch of fuzzy theory, with large area of research and wide range of applications. According to the demand of time, many authors have been actively participated in solving the problems in fuzzy topology to obtain an appropriate concept of fuzzy metric. Many authors have been investigated such problems in fuzzy topology from different points of view. In 1975, Karmosil and Michalek [6] introduced fuzzy metric space as the generalization of Menger Space, which is the concept of statistic metric. O. Kaleva and S. Seikkala [7] described the fuzzy metric as the distance between two points in a set as a fuzzy real numbers. In 1994, George and Veeramani [2] modified the concept of fuzzy metric introduced by Karmosil and Michalek. For that fuzzy metric space, they obtained Hausdroff Space. They also have shown that every

metric induces a fuzzy metric. Fuzzy metric have application in making problems with uncertain and imprecise information. A. George Veeramani [] have defined Hausdroff topology in a fuzzy metric space. Xia, Z. Q., and Guo, F. F [11] proved that every ordinary metric space can induce a fuzzy metric space that is complete whenever the

original one does. Gregori, V., Morillas, S., and Sapena, A.[3] presented examples of fuzzy metrics with respect to George and Veermani. Aage, C. T., Choudhury, B. S., & Das, K. [1] .Šostak, A.[10] presented an alternative approach to the concept of a fuzzy metric, know as revised fuzzy metric.

Definitions and Preliminaries:

Let X be universe of discourse and $A \subseteq X$. A **fuzzy set** [12] in X is defined as the collection of order

pair (x, μ_A) where $\mu_A : X \rightarrow [0,1]$ and $x \in X$. So that

$$A = \{(x, \mu_A(x)) : x \in X \text{ and } \mu_A : X \rightarrow [0,1]\}$$

Here, $\mu_A(x)$ is the degree of the element x and is called **membership function** [12]. If $\mu_A(x) = 1$,

then x is fully included in the set A and if $\mu_A(x) = 0$ means x is not included in A .

The maximum value of the membership function is known as **height of the fuzzy set** [12]. The fuzzy

set having height one is called **normalized fuzzy set** [12]. A fuzzy set A on X is called **convex** if for

all $x_1, x_2 \in A$ and $\lambda \in [0, 1]$

$$\mu_A(\lambda x_1 + (1 - \lambda)x_2) \geq \text{minimum} [\mu_A(x_1), \mu_A(x_2)]$$

Fuzzy logic[12] is defined as many valued logic form which may have truth values of variables in any real number between 0 and 1. Fuzzy logic provides a methodology for dealing with linguistic variables and describing modifiers like vary, fairly, not etc. It facilities common sense reasoning with imprecise and vague proposition dealing with natural language and serves as a basis for decision analysis and control action.

A fuzzy set A is a **fuzzy number**[12] if the following conditions are satisfied

- A is a convex set
- A is a normalized set

its membership function is piecewise continuous

t – Norm [2]

A binary operation $*$: $[0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is called a continuous t- norm if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i) $1 * a = a$,
- (ii) $a * b = b * a$
- (iii) $c * d \geq a * b$ whenever $c \geq a$ and $d \geq b$,
- (iv) $(a * b) * c = a * (b * c)$.

Distance Function[2]: Let X be a non-empty set (crisp) and d be a function from $d: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ (non-negative real number) such that for all $x, y, z \in X$ we have

M1: $d(x, y) > 0$ and $d(x, y) = 0$ if and only if $x = y$,

M2: $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$, and

M1: $d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y)$.

A function d satisfying the above conditions is said to be a distance function or metric and the pair (X, d) is called a metric space.

Fuzzy Metric Space[6] (Kramosil and Michalek)

Let X be a non-empty set and $*$ is a t-norm. A fuzzy metric on the set X is a function $p: X \times X \times (0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1]$

(KM i) $p(x, y, t) > 0$,

(KM ii) $p(x, y, t) = 1$ for all if and only if $x = y$,

(KM iii) $p(x, y, t) = p(y, x, t)$,

(KM iv) $p(x, z, t + r) \geq p(x, y, t) * p(y, z, r)$

(KM v) $p(x, y, \cdot) : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is continuous for all $x, y, z \in X$ and $t, r > 0$.

Then the 3- tuple $(X, p, *)$ is called fuzzy metric space.

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Examples [3, 4]

1. Let X be a non-empty set and d be a metric defined on X . Suppose $*$ is continuous

t-norm defined by $a * b = a . b$ for all $a, b \in [0, 1]$. Define a relation as

$p(x, y, t) = \frac{t}{t+d(x,y)}$. Then $(X, p, *)$ is a fuzzy metric space and p is a metric induced by the metric d .

2. Let $f: (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be an increasing function and d be metric on X . Then

$p(x, y, t) = \frac{f(t)}{f(t)+ a.d(x,y)}$ for $a > 0$, is a fuzzy metric on X and $(X, p, .)$ is fuzzy metric space.

Let $(X, p, *)$ be a fuzzy metric space and let $x \in X$. Let $r \in (0, 1)$ and $t > 0$, then the **fuzzy**

open ball [6]with center at x and radius r is denoted by $B(x, r, t)$ and defined by

$$B(x, r, t) = \{ y \in X : p(x, y, t) > 1 - r \}$$

Let $(X, p, *)$ be a fuzzy metric space and $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in X . Then we say that the sequence $\{x_n\}$ **converges** [9] to x if for every $\varepsilon > 0, \exists N$ such that $x_n \in B(x, \varepsilon, t) \forall n \geq N$.

A sequence $\{x_n\}$ is a fuzzy metric space $(X, p, *)$ is said to be **Cauchy** [9] if $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ and $\forall t > 0 \exists n_0 \in \mathbb{Z}_+ : p(x_n, x_m, t) > 1 - \varepsilon \forall m, n \geq n_0$

Theorem:

Suppose $(X, p, *)$ be a fuzzy metric space and for $0 < a < 1$, the mapping defined by

$$p_a(x, y) = \inf \{ t : p(x, y, t) > a \}$$
 is a metric on X

Proof: Suppose $(X, p, *)$ be a fuzzy metric space and define a relation

$$p_a(x, y) = \inf \{ t : p(x, y, t) > a \}$$

Now , we show p_a is a metric on X .

- i. We have $p_a(x, y) = \inf \{ t : p(x, y, t) > a \}$.
Here $p_a(x, y)$ being the infimum of non-negative value, so that $p_a(x, y) > 0$.
- ii. $p_a(x, y) = \inf \{ t : p(x, y, t) > a \}$
 $\inf \{ t : p(y, x, t) > a \} = p_a(y, x)$
- iii. Suppose that $x = y$ then $p(x, y, t) = 1$ and so we have
 $\{ t : p(x, y, t) > a \} = (0, \infty)$
 $\Rightarrow \inf \{ t : p(x, y, t) > a \} = \inf(0, \infty)$
 $\Rightarrow p_a(x, y) = 0$
So that if $x = y$ then $p_a(x, y) = 0$.

The converse of the proof is omitted here.

- iv. Let $x, y, z \in X$. If $x = y$ or $y = z$ or $x = z$ then we can see that

$p_a(x, z) \leq p_a(x, y) + p_a(y, z)$. So we assume that $x \neq y \neq z$.

We have, $p_a(x, y) = \inf \{t : p(x, y, t) > a\}$

$p_a(y, z) = \inf \{t : p(y, z, t) > a\}$

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So that, $p(x, y, p_a(x, y)) > a$ and $p(y, z, p_a(y, z)) > a$

$\Rightarrow p(x, y, p_a(x, y)) + p(y, z, p_a(y, z)) > 2a > a$

i.e $p(x, y, p_a(x, y)) + p(y, z, p_a(y, z)) > a$

Since, p is a metric, we have

$p(x, z, p_a(x, y) + p_a(y, z)) \geq p(x, y, p_a(x, y)) + p(y, z, p_a(y, z)) > a$

i.e $p(x, z, p_a(x, y) + p_a(y, z)) > a$

$\Rightarrow p_a(x, y) + p_a(y, z) \in \{t : p(x, z, t) > a\}$

$\Rightarrow p_a(x, y) + p_a(y, z) \geq \inf\{t : p(x, z, t) > a\}$

$\Rightarrow p_a(x, y) + p_a(y, z) \geq p_a(x, z)$

Hence, $p_a(x, y)$ is a metric on X .

Similarly , we can show that , for $0 < b < 1$, the mapping defined by

$p_b(x, y) = \sup \{ t : p(x, y, t) > b \}$

is also a metric on X .

Theorem [2]: Every open ball is an open set in fuzzy metric space.

Theorem [2]: Every fuzzy metric space is a Hausdroff space

Theorem: Let $(X, p, *)$ be a fuzzy metric space such that every Cauchy sequence in the space has a convergent subsequence, then $(X, p, *)$ is complete.

Proof: Suppose $\{x_n\}$ be a Cauchy sequence in $(X, p, *)$ and $\{x_{k_n}\}$ be a subsequence of $\{x_n\}$ such that $x_{k_n} \rightarrow x$. To complete the proof we show that

$x_n \rightarrow x$. For let $t > 0$ and $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ such that

$(1 - r) * (1 - r) > 1 - \varepsilon$

Here, $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence, so for $0 < r < 1$

$\forall t > 0 \exists n_0 \in \mathbb{Z}_+ : p(x_n, x_m, t) > 1 - r \quad \forall m, n \geq n_0$

Since, $x_{k_n} \rightarrow x$ so there $\exists k_n \in \mathbb{Z}_+ : k_n > n_0 \Rightarrow p(x_{k_n}, x, \frac{t}{2}) > 1 - r$

Now , for $n \geq n_0$, $p(x_n, x, t) = p(x_n, x, \frac{t}{2} + \frac{t}{2})$

$\geq p(x_n, x_{k_n}, \frac{t}{2}) * p(x_{k_n}, x, \frac{t}{2})$

$> (1 - r) * (1 - r) > 1 - \varepsilon$

Hence $p(x_n, x, t) > 1 - \varepsilon$ for all $n \geq n_0$. Hence $(X, p, *)$ is complete.

Conclusion

In this paper, we have discussed about fuzzy metric space and is re-introduced with different properties. Also we have proved some well-known results on fuzzy metric space based on George – Veeramani approach

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