

## SOME PROPERTIES OF THE SPACE OF FUZZY BOUNDED LINEAR OPERATORS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we will show that  $(CF(X, K), \chi_{\|\cdot\|})$  is a fuzzy Banach space using that the dual space  $X^*$  of a normed linear space  $X$  is a crisp Banach space. And for a normed linear space  $Y$  instead of a scalar field  $K$ , we obtain  $(CF(X, Y), \rho^*)$  is a fuzzy Banach space under the some conditions.

### 1. Introduction and preliminaries

Katsaras and Liu [3] introduced the notions of fuzzy vector spaces and fuzzy topological vector spaces. These ideas were modified by Katsaras [1] and Katsaras defined the fuzzy norm on a vector space in [2]. In [4] Krishna and Sarma discussed the generation of a fuzzy vector topology from an ordinary vector topology on a vector space. Also Krishna and Sarma [5] observed the convergence of sequence of fuzzy points. Rhie, Choi and Kim [8] introduced the notion of the fuzzy  $\alpha$ -Cauchy sequence of fuzzy points and the fuzzy completeness.

In this paper, we investigate a fuzzification of some theorems relative to a dual vector space.

Now, we explain some basic definitions and results from [1], [2], [3]. Let  $X$  be a nonempty set. A fuzzy set in  $X$  is an element of the set  $I^X$  of all functions from  $X$  into the unit interval  $I$ .  $\chi_A$  denotes the characteristic function of the set  $A$ . If  $f$  is a function from  $X$  into  $Y$  and  $\mu \in I^Y = \{\mu \mid \mu : Y \rightarrow [0, 1]\}$ , then  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is the fuzzy set in  $X$  defined by  $f^{-1}(\mu) = \mu \circ f$ . Also, for  $\rho \in I^X$ ,  $f(\rho)$  is the member

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of  $I^Y$  which is defined by

$$f(\rho)(y) = \begin{cases} \bigvee \{\rho(x) \mid x \in f^{-1}(y)\} & \text{if } f^{-1}(y) \neq \emptyset \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The symbols  $\bigvee$  and  $\bigwedge$  are used for the supremum and infimum of the family respectively. And we denote the support of  $\mu \in I^X$  by

$$\text{supp}\mu = \{x \in X \mid \mu(x) > 0\}.$$

Let  $X$  be a vector space over  $K$ , where  $K$  denotes either the set of all the real or the complex numbers. Let  $\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n \in I^X$ . The fuzzy set  $\mu = \mu_1 \times \mu_2 \times \dots \times \mu_n$  in  $X^n$ , is defined by

$$\mu(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \mu_1(x_1) \wedge \mu_2(x_2) \wedge \dots \wedge \mu_n(x_n).$$

DEFINITION 1.1. ([3])  $f : X^n \rightarrow X$ , given by  $f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n$ , then the fuzzy set  $f(\mu)$  in  $X$  is called the *sum of the fuzzy sets*  $\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n$ , and it is denoted by  $\mu_1 + \mu_2 + \dots + \mu_n$ . That is

$$\begin{aligned} &(\mu_1 + \mu_2 + \dots + \mu_n)(x) \\ &= \bigvee \{\mu_1(x_1) \wedge \mu_2(x_2) \wedge \dots \wedge \mu_n(x_n) \mid x = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n\}. \end{aligned}$$

DEFINITION 1.2. ([3]) Let  $X$  be a vector space. For  $\mu \in I^X$  and  $t$  a scalar, the fuzzy set  $t\mu$  is the image of  $\mu$  under the map  $g : X \rightarrow X$ ,  $g(x) = tx$ , that is if  $\mu \in I^X$  and  $t \in K$ , then

$$(t\mu)(x) = \begin{cases} \mu(x/t) & \text{if } t \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } t = 0 \text{ and } x \neq 0 \\ \bigvee \{\mu(y) \mid y \in X\} & \text{if } t = 0 \text{ and } x = 0. \end{cases}$$

DEFINITION 1.3. ([3]) A subfamily  $\tau$  of  $I^X$  is said to be a *fuzzy topology* on a set  $X$  if,

1.  $\tau$  contains every constant fuzzy set in  $X$ ,
2. if  $\mu_1, \mu_2 \in \tau$ , then  $\mu_1 \wedge \mu_2 \in \tau$ ,
3. if for each  $\{\mu_i\}_i \subset \tau$ , then  $\bigvee_i \mu_i \in \tau$ .

A fuzzy topological space is a set  $X$  equipped with a fuzzy topology  $\tau$ , denote  $(X, \tau)$ . The elements of  $\tau$  are called the *open fuzzy sets* in  $X$ .

DEFINITION 1.4. ([1]) A map  $f$  from a fuzzy topological space  $X$  to a fuzzy topological space  $Y$ , is said to be *fuzzy continuous* if  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is fuzzy open in  $X$  for each open fuzzy set  $\mu$  in  $Y$ .

DEFINITION 1.5. ([2] ) A *fuzzy linear topology* on a vector space  $X$  over  $K$  is a fuzzy topology on  $X$  such that the two mappings

$$\begin{aligned} + & : X \times X \rightarrow X, & (x, y) & \rightarrow x + y \\ \cdot & : K \times X \rightarrow X, & (t, x) & \rightarrow tx \end{aligned}$$

are continuous when  $K$  has the fuzzy usual topology and  $K \times X$  and  $X \times X$  have the corresponding product fuzzy topologies. A linear space with a fuzzy linear topology is called a *fuzzy topological vector space*.

DEFINITION 1.6. ([2] )  $\mu \in I^X$  is said to be

1. *convex* if  $t\mu + (1 - t)\mu \subseteq \mu$  for each  $t \in [0, 1]$
2. *balanced* if  $t\mu \subseteq \mu$  for each  $t \in K$  with  $|t| \leq 1$
3. *absolutely convex* if  $\mu$  is convex and balanced
4. *absorbing* if  $\bigvee\{t\mu(x) \mid t > 0\} = 1$  for all  $x \in X$ .

DEFINITION 1.7. ([2] ) *fuzzy seminorm* on  $X$  is a fuzzy set  $\rho$  in  $X$  which is absolutely convex and absorbing. If in addition  $\bigwedge\{(t\rho)(x) \mid t > 0\} = 0$  for  $x \neq 0$ , then  $\rho$  is called a *fuzzy norm*.

THEOREM 1.8. ([1] ) If  $\rho$  is a fuzzy seminorm on  $X$ , then the family  $B_\rho = \{\theta \wedge (t\rho) \mid 0 < \theta \leq 1, t > 0\}$  is a base at zero for a fuzzy linear topology  $\tau_\rho$ .

DEFINITION 1.9. ([2] ) Let  $\rho$  be a fuzzy seminorm on a linear space. The fuzzy topology  $\tau_\rho$  in Theorem 1.8 is called the *fuzzy topology induced by the fuzzy seminorm  $\rho$* . And a linear space equipped with a fuzzy seminorm (resp. fuzzy norm) is called a *fuzzy seminormed* (resp. *fuzzy normed*) *linear space*.

THEOREM 1.10. ([1] ) The fuzzy seminorms  $\rho_1, \rho_2$  on a linear space  $X$  are equivalent if and only if for each  $\theta \in (0, 1)$ , there exists  $t > 0$  such that  $\theta \wedge \rho_1(tx) \leq \rho_2(x)$  and  $\theta \wedge \rho_2(tx) \leq \rho_1(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ .

DEFINITION 1.11. ([2] ) A fuzzy set  $\mu \in I^X$  is called a *fuzzy point* iff

$$\mu(z) = \begin{cases} \alpha & \text{if } z = x, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ . We denote this fuzzy point with support  $x$  and value  $\alpha$  by  $(x, \alpha)$ .

## 2. Main theorem

DEFINITION 2.1. [8] Let  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ . A sequence of fuzzy points  $\{\mu_n = (x_n, \alpha_n)\}$  is said to be a *fuzzy  $\alpha$ -Cauchy sequence* in a fuzzy normed linear space  $(X, \rho)$  if for each neighborhood  $N$  of 0 with  $N(0) > \alpha$ , there exists a positive integer  $M$  such that  $n, m \geq M$  implies  $\mu_n - \mu_m = (x_n - x_m, \alpha_n \wedge \alpha_m) \leq N$ . A fuzzy normed linear space  $(X, \rho)$  is said to be *fuzzy  $\alpha$ -complete* if every fuzzy  $\alpha$ -Cauchy sequence  $\{\mu_n\}$  converges to a fuzzy point  $\mu = (x, \alpha)$  (refer to Definition 2.13 of [5]).  $(X, \rho)$  is said to be *fuzzy complete* if it is fuzzy  $\alpha$ -complete for every  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ . A fuzzy complete fuzzy normed linear space is said to be a *fuzzy Banach space*.

DEFINITION 2.2. [1] If  $\rho$  is a fuzzy seminorm on  $X$ , then for every  $\epsilon \in (0, 1)$ ,  $P_\epsilon : X \rightarrow R_+$  is defined by

$$P_\epsilon(x) = \wedge\{t > 0 \mid t\rho(x) > \epsilon\}$$

and for every  $x \in X$ ,  $P_{\alpha^-} : X \rightarrow R_+$  is also defined by

$$P_{\alpha^-}(x) = \vee\{P_\epsilon(x) \mid \epsilon < \alpha\}.$$

THEOREM 2.3. [1] *The  $P_\epsilon$  in Definition 2.2 is a seminorm on  $X$ . Further  $P_\epsilon$  is a norm on  $X$  for each  $\epsilon \in (0, 1)$  if and only if  $\rho$  is a fuzzy norm on  $X$ .*

DEFINITION 2.4. [5] Let  $(X, \rho_1)$ ,  $(Y, \rho_2)$  be fuzzy normed linear spaces and  $CF(X, Y)$  be the linear space of all fuzzy continuous linear maps from  $(X, \rho_1)$  to  $(Y, \rho_2)$ . For each  $\theta \in (0, 1)$ ,  $t_\theta : CF(X, Y) \rightarrow R_+$  is defined by

$$t_\theta(f) = \wedge\{s > 0 \mid \rho_2(f(x)) \geq \theta \wedge \rho_1(sx) \text{ for all } x \in X\}.$$

We write  $t_\theta(f) = t(\theta, f)$ . And the fuzzy norm  $\rho^* : CF(X, Y) \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is defined by  $\rho^*(f) = \vee_{\theta \in (0, 1)}\{\theta \wedge 1/[t(\theta, f)]\}$ , for any  $f \in CF(X, Y)$ .

LEMMA 2.5. *Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  be a normed linear space. If  $\rho = \chi_B$ , where  $B$  is the closed unit ball of  $X$ , then for each  $\epsilon \in (0, 1)$ ,  $P_\epsilon(x) = \|x\|$  for all  $x \in X$ .*

*Proof.* For all  $x \in X, \epsilon \in (0, 1)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} P_\epsilon(x) &= \wedge\{s > 0 \mid s\rho(x) > \epsilon\} \\ &= \wedge\{s > 0 \mid \rho(x/s) > \epsilon\} \\ &= \wedge\{s > 0 \mid \rho(x/s) = 1\} && \text{as } \rho = \chi_B \\ &= \wedge\{s > 0 \mid \|x/s\| \leq 1\} && \text{as } x/s \in B \\ &= \wedge\{s > 0 \mid \|x\| \leq s\} \\ &= \|x\|. \end{aligned}$$

□

**THEOREM 2.6.** *Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  be a normed linear space over  $(K, |\cdot|)$ . Then  $(CF(X, K), \chi_{\|\cdot\|})$  is fuzzy Banach space, where  $\rho_1 = \chi_{\|\cdot\|}, \rho_2 = \chi_{|\cdot|}$  and  $\|x^*\| = \vee\{|x^*(x)| \mid P_\epsilon^1(x) = 1, x \in X\}$*

*Proof.* Since we have that for each  $\epsilon \in (0, 1)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} P_\epsilon^1(x) &= \|x\| \quad \text{for each } x \in X \\ P_\epsilon^2(y) &= |y| \quad \text{for each } y \in K. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $(X, \|\cdot\|), (K, |\cdot|)$  are normed linear space,  $(X, \rho_1), (K, \rho_2)$  are fuzzy normed linear space. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} X^* &= \{x^* \mid x^* : (X, \|\cdot\|) \rightarrow (K, |\cdot|) \text{ is continuous and linear} \} \\ &= \{x^* \mid x^* : (X, \rho_1) \rightarrow (K, \rho_2) \text{ is fuzzy continuous and linear} \} \\ &= CF(X, K) \end{aligned}$$

Since  $(X^*, \|\cdot\|)$  is Banach space, where  $\|x^*\| = \vee\{|x^*(x)| \mid x \in X, P_\epsilon^1(x) = 1\}$ ,  $(X^*, \chi_{\|\cdot\|})$  is fuzzy complete. Consequently  $(CF(X, K), \chi_{\|\cdot\|})$  is fuzzy complete. This completes the proof. □

**DEFINITION 2.7.** [2] Two fuzzy seminorms  $\rho_1, \rho_2$  on  $X$  are said to be equivalent if  $\tau_{\rho_1} = \tau_{\rho_2}$ .

**PROPOSITION 2.8.** [8] *Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  be a normed linear space. If  $\rho$  be a lower semi-continuous fuzzy norm on  $X$ , and have the bounded support:  $\{x \in X \mid \rho(x) > 0\}$  is bounded, then  $\rho$  is equivalent to the fuzzy norm  $\chi_B$  where  $B$  is the closed unit ball of  $X$ .*

**THEOREM 2.9.** *Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|_1)$  and  $(Y, \|\cdot\|_2)$  be two normed linear spaces over the field  $K$ . If  $f : (X, \|\cdot\|_1) \rightarrow (Y, \|\cdot\|_2)$  is continuous and linear. Then  $f : (X, \rho_1) \rightarrow (Y, \rho_2)$  is fuzzy continuous, where  $\rho_1 = \chi_{\|\cdot\|_1}$  and  $\rho_2 = \chi_{\|\cdot\|_2}$*

*Proof.* Let  $\theta \in (0, 1)$ . We have to show that there exists  $t = t(\theta) > 0$  such that  $\rho_2(f(x)) \geq \theta \wedge \rho_1(tx)$  for all  $x \in X$ . Equivalently  $\|tx\|_1 \leq 1$  implies  $\|f(x)\|_2 \leq 1$ . Let  $t_\theta(f) = \wedge\{s > 0 \mid \|f(x)\|_2 \leq s \|x\|_1, x \in X\} = \| \| f \| \|$ . Now, suppose that  $\|f(x)\|_2 > 1$ . Then since  $\|f(x)\|_2 \leq \| \| f \| \| \cdot \|x\|_1$  for each  $x \in X$ ,  $1 < \|f(x)\|_2 \leq \| \| f \| \| \cdot \|x\|_1$  for each  $x \in X$ . Thus  $\|tx\|_1 = |t| \cdot \|x\|_1 = \| \| f \| \| \cdot \|x\|_1 > 1$ .  $\square$

**THEOREM 2.10.** *Let  $(X, \| \cdot \|_1)$  and  $(Y, \| \cdot \|_2)$  be two normed linear spaces. If  $(Y, \rho_2)$  be a fuzzy complete, where  $\rho_1 = \chi_{\| \cdot \|_1}$ ,  $\rho_2 = \chi_{\| \cdot \|_2}$  and  $\rho_2$  is lower semi continuous and has the bounded support, then  $(CF(X, Y), \rho^*)$  is fuzzy complete, where  $\rho^* = \chi_{\| \cdot \|}$ ,  $\| \| x^* \| \| = \vee\{P_\epsilon^2(x^*(x)) \mid P_\epsilon^1(x) = 1, x \in X\}$ .*

*Proof.* From [5] and above Theorem 2.9, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} CF(X, Y) &= \{f \mid f : (X, \rho_1) \rightarrow (Y, \rho_2) \text{ is fuzzy continuous and linear} \} \\ &= \{f \mid f : (X, P_\epsilon^1) \rightarrow (Y, P_\epsilon^2) \text{ is continuous and linear for each } \epsilon \in (0, 1)\} \\ &= \{f \mid f : (X, \| \cdot \|_1) \rightarrow (Y, \| \cdot \|_2) \text{ is continuous and linear} \} \\ &= L(X, Y) \end{aligned}$$

,where

$$\begin{aligned} \| \| T \| \| &= \vee\{P_\epsilon^2(T(x)) \mid P_\epsilon^1(x) = 1, x \in X\} \\ &= \vee\{\| \| T(x) \| \|_2 \mid P_\epsilon^1(x) = 1, x \in X\}, \quad T \in L(X, Y). \end{aligned}$$

And since  $(Y, \rho_2)$  fuzzy complete, for each  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ ,  $\alpha$ -Cauchy sequence  $(T_n(x), \alpha_n)$  converges to  $(T(x), \alpha)$ . Thus  $T_n(x)$  converges to  $T(x)$ . Now we will show that  $(CF(X, Y), \rho^*)$  is fuzzy complete. Let  $\{T_n\} \subseteq CF(X, Y)$  is a fuzzy  $\alpha$ -Cauchy sequence for each  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ , that is for each  $t > 0$ , there exists a positive integer  $M$  such that  $n, m \geq M$  implies  $\alpha_n \wedge \alpha_m \leq \alpha$  and  $P_{(\alpha_n \wedge \alpha_m)}^-(x_n - x_m) < t$ . Then  $T_n : (X, \rho_1) \rightarrow (Y, \rho_2)$  is a fuzzy continuous and linear. Thus, by Theorem 4.9 [5] for each  $\epsilon \in (0, 1)$ ,  $T_n : (X, P_\epsilon^1) \rightarrow (Y, P_\epsilon^2)$  is a crisp continuous and linear. Hence  $T_n$  is a bounded and linear. And since  $T_n - T_m$  is bounded, it deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} P_\epsilon^2(T_n(x) - T_m(x)) &\leq \| \| T_n - T_m \| \| P_\epsilon^1(x) \\ &= P_{(\alpha_n \wedge \alpha_m)}^-(T_n - T_m) P_\epsilon^1(x) \\ &< t P_\epsilon^1(x) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\{T_n(x)\}$  is a crisp Cauchy sequence in  $(Y, P_\epsilon^2)$ .

Since  $\rho_2 = \chi_{\| \cdot \|_2}$  is lower semi continuous and has the bounded support,  $(Y, \| \cdot \|_2)$  is a crisp complete. It mean that  $(L(X, Y), \| \| \cdot \| \|)$  is a crisp Banach space by Theorem 3.2.2 [7]. Hence  $(CF(X, Y), \| \| \cdot \| \|)$  is

a crisp Banach space. Consequently,  $(CF(X, Y), \chi_{\|\cdot\|})$  is fuzzy Banach space. This completes the proof.  $\square$

**THEOREM 2.11.** *Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|_1)$  and  $(Y, \|\cdot\|_2)$  be two normed linear spaces over the field  $K$ ,  $X \neq \{\theta\}$ . If  $(CF(X, Y), \rho^*)$  be fuzzy Banach space, where  $\rho^* = \chi_{\|\cdot\|}$  is lower semi continuous and has the bounded support,  $\|f\| = \vee\{\|f(x)\|_2 \mid x \in X, \|x\|_1 = 1\}$ . Then  $(Y, \chi_{\|\cdot\|_2})$  is fuzzy Banach space.*

*Proof.* Since  $(CF(X, Y), \rho^*)$  be fuzzy Banach space and  $\rho^*$  is lower semi continuous and has the bounded support,  $(CF(X, Y), \|\cdot\|)$  is crisp Banach space. It follows that  $(Y, \|\cdot\|_2)$  is crisp Banach space from [7]. Consequently,  $(Y, \chi_{\|\cdot\|_2})$  is fuzzy Banach space.  $\square$

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