

Some Spaces of Sequences of F-numbers

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In this paper we introduce some spaces of sequences of fuzzy subsets on m -dimensional Euclidean space which are called F-numbers. We discuss spaces of bounded sequences, spaces of convergent sequences, l_1 -spaces of sequences and spaces of all sequences, of F-numbers and show that they are all complete metric space.

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Let R^m denote m -dimensional Euclidean space. A and B be two nonempty bounded subsets of R^m . The distance between A and B is defined by Hausdorff metric

$$d_H(A, B) = \max\left[\sup_{a \in A} \inf_{b \in B} \|a - b\|, \sup_{b \in B} \inf_{a \in A} \|a - b\|\right]$$

where $\|\cdot\|$ denotes the usual euclidean norm in R^m .

Lemma 1. (see [1] theorem 2.1)

Let $Q(R^m)$ denote the set of all nonempty, compact subsets of R^m . Then $(Q(R^m), d_H)$ is a complete metric space.

Definition 1.

A fuzzy subset $u: R^m \rightarrow [0, 1]$ with the following properties:

- (a) $\{x \in R^m : u(x) \geq r\}$ is compact for each $r > 0$.
- (b) $\{x \in R^m : u(x) = 1\}$ is nonempty.

is called a F-number.

We denote the set of all F-numbers by F^* .

Definition 2.

A sequence $X = \{X_n\}$ of F-numbers is a function X from the set N of all positive integers into F^* . The F-number X_n denotes the value of the function at $n \in N$.

Define a map $d: F^* \times F^* \rightarrow R$ by

$$d(u, v) = \sup_{r > 0} d_H(L_r(u), L_r(v))$$

where d_H is the Hausdorff metric and we denote by $L_r(w) = \{x : w(x) \geq r\}$ for $w \in F^*$.

Lemma 2. (see [1] theorem 4.1)

(F^*, d) is a complete metric space.

We now introduce some spaces of sequences of F-numbers. We have

$$b = \left\{ X = \{X_n\} : \sup_n d(X_n, 0) < \infty \right\}$$

$$c = \left\{ X = \{X_n\} : \text{there exists } Y \in F^* \text{ s.t. } d(X_n, Y) \rightarrow 0 \right\}$$

$$c_0 = \left\{ X = \{X_n\} : d(X_n, 0) \rightarrow 0 \right\}$$

$$l_p = \left\{ X = \{X_n\} : \sum_n [d(X_n, 0)]^p < \infty \right\} \quad (1 \leq p < \infty)$$

and denote the set of all sequences of F-numbers by s .

We have the following results.

Theorem 1.

b is a complete metric space with the metric f defined by

$$f(X, Y) = \sup_n d(X_n, Y_n)$$

where $X = \{X_n\}$ and $Y = \{Y_n\}$ are sequences of F-numbers which are in b .

Proof. It is straightforward to see that f is a metric on b . To show that b is complete in this metric, let $\{X^i\}$ be a Cauchy sequence in b . Then for each fixed n , $\{X_n^i\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in F^* . But F^* is complete with the metric d , there exists X_n in F^* such that $\lim_i X_n^i = X_n$ for every n . Put $X = \{X_n\}$, we shall show that $\lim_i X^i = X$ and $X \in b$. Since $\{X^i\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in b , given $\epsilon > 0$ there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for $i, j > k$ and every $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$d(X_n^i, X_n^j) < \epsilon$$

Taking the limit as $j \rightarrow \infty$, we get $d(X_n^i, X_n) \leq \epsilon$

Therefore $f(X^i, X) = \sup_n d(X_n^i, X_n) \leq \epsilon$ i.e. $\lim_i X^i = X$.

From $f(X, 0) \leq f(X, X^i) + f(X^i, 0)$ we obtain $\sup_n d(X_n, 0) = f(X, 0) < \infty$. So $X = \{X_n\} \in b$.

The proof is completed.

Theorem 2.

c is a complete metric space with the metric f defined by

$$f(X, Y) = \sup_n d(X_n, Y_n)$$

where $X = \{X_n\}$ and $Y = \{Y_n\}$ are sequences of F-numbers which are in c .

Proof. It is clear that (c, f) is a metric space. To prove the completeness of c , let $\{X^i\}$ be a Cauchy sequence in c . Repeating the proof of the theorem 1, we know that there exists $X = \{X_n\}$ such that $\lim_i X^i = X$. We now show that $X \in c$.

Given $\epsilon > 0$, for each fixed $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and enough large i

$$d(X_n^i, X_n) < \epsilon$$

Since $\{X_n^i\} \in c$, for each fixed i , there exists $X_0^i \in F^*$ such that for enough large n

$$d(X_n^i, X_0^i) < \epsilon$$

Since $\{X^i\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in c , for enough large i, j

$$d(X_n^i, X_n^j) < \varepsilon$$

Hence

$$d(X_0^i, X_0^j) \leq d(X_n^i, X_n^j) + d(X_n^i, X_0^i) + d(X_n^j, X_0^j) < 3\varepsilon$$

Thus $\{X_0^i\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in F^* . By the completeness of F^* , we know that there exists $X_0 \in F^*$ such that for enough large i

$$d(X_0^i, X_0) < \varepsilon$$

Therefore, for enough large n and fixed i

$$d(X_n, X_0) \leq d(X_n^i, X_n) + d(X_n^i, X_0^i) + d(X_0^i, X_0) < 3\varepsilon$$

So $X = \{X_n\}$ is a convergent sequence and this proves the completeness of c .

Theorem 3.

c_0 is a complete metric space with the metric f defined in the above theorems.

Proof. Be similar to the proof of theorem 2.

Theorem 4.

l_p is a complete metric space with the metric h defined by

$$h(X, Y) = \left(\sum_n [d(X_n, Y_n)]^p \right)^{1/p}$$

where $X = \{X_n\}$ and $Y = \{Y_n\}$ are sequences of F -numbers which are in l_p

Proof. Obviously $h(X, Y) \geq 0$. $h(X, Y) = 0 \iff X = Y$ and $h(X, Y) = h(Y, X)$. The triangle inequality follows from Minkowski inequality and corresponding triangle inequality for d . Hence, (l_p, h) is a metric space.

To show the completeness of l_p , let $\{X^i\}$ be a Cauchy sequence in l_p . Then, for every fixed n , $\{X_n^i\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in F^* . Since (F^*, d) is complete, we have $\lim_i X_n^i = X_n$ for each n . Put $X = \{X_n\}$, we now prove $\lim_i X^i = X$ and $X \in l_p$.

Since $\{X^i\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in l_p , given $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists an integer M such that for $i, j > M$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [d(X_n^i, X_n^j)]^p < \varepsilon$$

Hence, for every integer k

$$\sum_{n=1}^k [d(X_n^i, X_n)]^p = \lim_j \sum_{n=1}^k [d(X_n^i, X_n^j)]^p \leq \varepsilon$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} [h(X^i, X)]^p &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [d(X_n^i, X)]^p = \lim_k \sum_{n=1}^k [d(X_n^i, X)]^p \\ &= \overline{\lim}_k \lim_j \sum_{n=1}^k [d(X_n^i, X_n^j)]^p \leq \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

i.e. $\lim_i X^i = X$. From $h(X, 0) \leq h(X, X^i) + h(X^i, 0) < \infty$ we get $X \in l_p$.
The proof is completed.

Theorem 5.

s is a complete metric space with the metric g defined by

$$g(X, Y) = \sum_n \frac{1}{2^n} \cdot \frac{d(X_n, Y_n)}{1 + d(X_n, Y_n)}$$

Where $X = \{X_n\}$ and $Y = \{Y_n\}$ are arbitrary sequences of F -numbers.

Proof. Obviously $g(X, Y) \geq 0$, $g(X, Y) = 0 \iff X = Y$ and $g(X, Y) = g(Y, X)$.
The triangle inequality $g(X, Y) \leq g(X, Z) + g(Z, Y)$ follows from the function $\frac{t}{1+t}$ is monotonically increasing and corresponding inequality for d . Hence, s is a metric space with the metric g . To prove the completeness of s , let $\{X^i\}$ be a Cauchy sequence in s . Then given $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists an integer k such that for $i, j > k$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \cdot \frac{d(X_n^i, X_n^j)}{1 + d(X_n^i, X_n^j)} < \varepsilon$$

It implies that $\{X_n^i\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in F^* . By the completeness of F^* , there exists X_n in F^* such that $\lim_i X_n^i = X_n$ for each n . Put $X = \{X_n\}$ we now prove that $\lim_i X^i = X$. Taking an integer m such that $\sum_{n=m}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} < \varepsilon$. For each $n=1, 2, \dots, m-1$ there exists an integer M such that for $i > M$
 $d(X_n^i, X_n) < \varepsilon$.

Then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{m-1} \frac{1}{2^n} \cdot \frac{d(X_n^i, X_n)}{1 + d(X_n^i, X_n)} < \sum_{n=1}^{m-1} \frac{1}{2^n} \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{1-\varepsilon} < \varepsilon$$

Therefore, for $i > M$

$$g(X^i, X) = \left(\sum_{n=1}^{m-1} + \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} \right) \frac{1}{2^n} \cdot \frac{d(X_n^i, X_n)}{1 + d(X_n^i, X_n)} < \varepsilon - \varepsilon = 2\varepsilon$$

This proves the completeness of s .

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