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# A Fixed Point Theorems in L-Fuzzy Quasi-Metric Spaces

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**Abstract:** At first we considered the L-fuzzy metric space notation which is useful in modeling some phenomena where it is necessary to study the relationship between two probability functions as well observed in Gregori *et al.* [A note on intuitionistic fuzzy metric spaces. Chaos, Solitons and Fractals 2006; 28: 902-905]. Then we introduced the concept of fixed point theorem in L-fuzzy metric space and finally, showed that every contractive mapping on an L-fuzzy metric space has a unique fixed point.

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# INTRODUCTION

The concept of fuzzy sets was introduced initially by Zadeh<sup>[1]</sup> in 1965. Various concepts of fuzzy metric spaces were considered in George and Veeramani<sup>[2]</sup> and Mihet<sup>[3,4]</sup>.

In this research, at first we shall adopt the usual terminology, notation and conventions of L-fuzzy metric spaces introduced by Saadati *et al.*<sup>[5]</sup> which are a generalization of fuzzy metric spaces<sup>[2]</sup> and intuitionistic fuzzy metric spaces<sup>[6,7]</sup>. Then we consider the fixed point theorem on such spaces and show that every contractive mapping on non-Archimedean L-fuzzy metric space has a unique fixed point.

**Definitions 1.1:** Goguen<sup>[8]</sup> let  $L = (L, \leq_L)$  be a complete lattice and U a non-empty set called universe. An L-fuzzy set A on U is defined as a mapping. A: U $\rightarrow$ L. For each u in U, A(u) represents the degree (in L) to which u satisfies A.

Classically, a triangular norm T on  $([0,1],\leq)$  is defined as an increasing, commutative, associative mapping T:  $[0,1]^2 \rightarrow [0,1]$  satisfying (1, x) = x for all  $x \in [0,1]$ . These definitions can be straightforwardly extended to any lattice  $L = (L, \leq_L)$ .

**Definitions 1.2:** A triangular norm (t-norm) on L is a mapping  $\tau$ : L<sup>2</sup> $\rightarrow$ L satisfying the following conditions:

•  $(\forall x \in L)(\tau(x, 1_L) = x)$  (boundary condition)

- $(\forall (x,y) \in L^2) (\tau(x,y) = \tau(y,x))$  (commutativity)
- $(\forall (x,y,z) \in L^3) (\tau(x,\tau(y,z)) = \tau(\tau(x,y),z))$ (associativity)  $(\forall (x,x',y,y') \in L^4)$
- $(x \leq_L x \text{ and } y \leq_L y) \Rightarrow \tau(x, y) \leq_L \tau(x', y'))$ (monotonicity)

The t-norm  $\tau$  is Hadzic type if  $\tau(x, y) \ge_L \wedge(x, y)$  for every  $x, y \in L$  where

$$\wedge (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \begin{cases} \mathbf{x}, \text{if } \mathbf{x} \leq_{\mathrm{L}} \mathbf{y}, \\ \mathbf{y}, \text{if } \mathbf{y} \leq_{\mathrm{L}} \mathbf{x}. \end{cases}$$

Triangle norms are recursively defined by  $\tau^1 = \tau$  and

$$\tau^{n}\left(x_{(1)},...,x_{(n+1)}\right) = \tau\left(\tau^{n-1}\left(x_{(1)},...,x_{(n)}\right),x_{(n+1)}\right)$$

for  $n \ge 2$ ,  $x_{(i)} \in L$  and  $i \in \{1, 2, ..., n+1\}$ .

**Definition 1.3:** Deschrijver *et al.*<sup>[9]</sup> A negator on L is any decreasing mapping N:  $L \rightarrow L$  satisfying N ( $0_L$ ) =  $1_L$ and N ( $1_L$ ) =  $0_L$ . If N(N(x)) = x for all  $x \in L$ , then N is called an involutive negator.

In this research the negator N:  $L \rightarrow L$  is fixed. The negator N<sub>s</sub> on ([0,1],  $\leq$ ) defined as N<sub>s</sub> (x) = 1-x, for all x  $\in [0,1]$ , is called the standard negator on ([0,1],  $\leq$ ).

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**Definition 1.4:** The triple  $(X, M, \tau)$  is said to be an L-fuzzy quasi-metric space if X is an arbitrary (nonempty) set,  $\tau$  is a continuous t-norm on L and M is an L-fuzzy set on  $X^2 \times ]0,+\infty[$  satisfying the following conditions for every x, y, z in X and t, s in  $]0,+\infty[$ :

- $M(x, y, t) >_L 0_L$
- $M(x,y,t) = M(y,x,t) = l_L$  for all t > 0 if and only if x = y
- $\tau(M(x,y,t),M(y,z,s)) \leq_L M(x,z,t+s)$
- $M(x,y,.): [0,\infty] \to L$  is continuous
- $\lim_{t\to\infty} M(x,y,t) = l_L$ .

In this case, M is called an L-fuzzy quasi-metric. If, in the above definition, the triangular inequality (c) is replaced by

$$\begin{aligned} & (\text{NA}) \ \tau \Big( M \big( x, y, t \big), M \big( y, z, s \big) \Big) \\ & \leq_{\text{L}} M \big( x, z, \max \{ t, s \} \big) \ \forall x, y, z \in X, \quad \forall t, s > 0 \end{aligned}$$

or, equivalently,

$$\begin{aligned} \tau \big( M(x,y,t), M(y,z,t) \big) &\leq_L \\ M(x,z,t) \quad \forall x, y, z \in X, \quad t > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Then the triple  $(X, M, \tau)$  is called a non-Archimedean L-fuzzy quasi-metric space<sup>[3,4]</sup>.

For  $t \in [0,+\infty[$ , we define the closed ball B [x, r, t] with center  $x \in X$  and radius  $r \in L \setminus \{0_L, 1_L\}$ , as

$$B[x,r,t] = \{y \in X : M(x,y,t) \ge_L N(r)\}.$$

**Definition 1.5:** A sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n \in N}$  in an L-fuzzy quasi-metric space  $(X, M, \tau)$  is called a right (left) Cauchy sequence if, for each  $\epsilon \in L \setminus \{0_L\}$  and t > 0, there exists  $n_0 \in N$  Such that, for all  $m \ge n \ge n_0$   $(n \ge m \ge n_0)$ ,

$$M(x_m, x_n, t) >_L N(\varepsilon).$$

The sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is said to be convergent to  $x \in X$  in the L-fuzzy quasi-metric space  $(X, M, \tau)$ (denoted by  $x_n \xrightarrow{M} x$ ) if  $M(x_n, x, t) = M(x, x_n, t) \rightarrow 1_L$ , whenever  $n \rightarrow +\infty$  for every t>0. An L-fuzzy quasimetric space is said to be right (left) complete if and only if every right (left) Cauchy sequence is convergent. **Definition 1.6:** Let  $(X, M, \tau)$ , be an L-fuzzy metric space and let N, be a negator on L. Let A be a subset of X, then the LF-diameter of the set A is the function defined as:

$$\delta_{A}(s) = \sup_{t \leq s} \inf_{x, y \in A} M(x, y, t).$$

A sequence  $\{A_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  of subsets of an L-fuzzy quasi-metric space is called decreasing sequence if  $A_1 \supseteq A_2 \supseteq A_3 \supseteq \dots$ 

The following lemma gives conditions under which the intersection of such sequences is nonempty.

**Lemma 1.7:** Let  $(X, M, \tau)$  be a left complete L-fuzzy metric space and let  $\{A_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ , be a decreasing sequence of nonempty closed subsets of X such that  $\delta_{An}$   $(t) \rightarrow 1_L$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Then  $A = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$  contains exactly one point.

**Proof:** From the assumption  $\delta_{An}(t) \rightarrow 1_L$ , it is evident that the set A can't contain more than one element. So it is enough to show that A is nonempty. Let  $x_n$  be a point in  $A_n$ . Since  $\delta_{An}(t) \rightarrow 1_L$ , by definition of 5F-diameter,  $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ , is a left Cauchy sequence in X. Since  $(X, M, \tau)$ , is left complete,  $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ , has a limit x. We show that x is in A and for this it suffices to show that x is in  $A_{n_0}$ , for a fixed but arbitrary  $n_0$ . If  $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ , has only finitely many distinct points, then Ax is that point infinitely repeated and is therefore in  $A_{n_0}$ . If  $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  has infinitely many distinct points, then x is a limit point of the set of points of the sequence, so it is a limit point of the subset  $\{x_n:n\geq n_0\}$  of the set of the points of the set of the points of the sequence which implies it is a limit point of  $A_{n_0}$  and

since  $A_{n_0}$  is closed, it is in  $A_{n_0}$ .

**Corollary 1.8:** Let  $(X, M, \tau)$  be a left complete L-fuzzy metric space and let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$  be a family of closed subsets of X, which has the finite intersection property and for each  $\epsilon > 0$ , contains a set of LF-diameter less than  $\epsilon$ , then  $\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \neq \phi$ .

**Proof:** For each n=1,2,... let  $i_n \in I$  denote an index such that

$$\delta_{A_{i_n}}(t) = M\left(x, y, \frac{1}{n}\right)$$

for every  $x \neq y$ . The set  $A_n = \bigcap_{j \leq n} A_{i_j}$  satisfy the assumption of the last lemma. Therefore  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$ ,

contains exactly one point say  $x_0$ . Then  $x_0 \in A_{i_1}$ , for  $i_1 \in I$ . Indeed define  $A'_n = A_{i_1} \cap A_n$  for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$  Now

$$\phi \neq \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A'_n = A_{i_1} \cap \left(\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) = A_{i_1} \cap \{x_0\}.$$

**Definition 1.9:** Let  $(X, M, \tau)$  be an L-fuzzy metric space. A mapping  $\Delta: X \rightarrow X$  is said to be contractive if whenever x and y are distinct point in X, we have

$$M(\Lambda x,\Lambda y,t)>_{_{L}}M(x,y,t).$$

#### MAIN RESULT

**Theorem 2.1:** Let  $(X, M, \tau)$  be non-Archimedean L-fuzzy metric space, in which  $\tau$  is Hadzic type. If  $\Delta$ :  $X \rightarrow X$  is a contractive mapping then  $\Delta$  has a unique fixed point.

**Proof:** Let  $B_x = B[x, \eta, t]$  with  $\eta(x, t) = N(m(x, \Delta x, t))$ and t > 0. Let A be the collection of all these balls for all  $x \in X$ . The relation  $B_x \leq B_y$  if and only if  $B_y \subseteq B_x$  is a partial order in A. Consider a totally ordered subfamily  $A_i$  of A. From Corollary 1.8, we have,

$$\bigcap_{B_x \in A_1} B_x = B \neq \varphi.$$

Let  $y \in B$  and  $B_x \in A_1$ , then

 $M(x, y, t) \ge_{L} N(N(M(x, \Lambda x, t))) = M(x, \Lambda x, t)$  (1)

Now, if  $x_0 \in B_y$ , then

$$M(x_0, y, t) \ge_L N(N(M(y, \Lambda y, t)))$$
  
$$\ge_L \tau^2(M(y, x, t), M(x, \Lambda x, t), M(\Lambda x, \Lambda y, t))$$
  
$$\ge_L M(x, \Lambda x, t).$$

Thus

$$M(x_0, y, t) \ge_L M(x, \Lambda x, t)$$
(2)

Now, by using (1) and (2) we obtain

$$\begin{split} & M(x_0, x, t) \geq_L \tau(M(x_0, y, t), M(x, y, t)) \\ & \geq_L \tau(M(x, \Lambda x, t), M(\Lambda x, x, t)) \\ & \geq_L M(x, \Lambda x, t). \end{split}$$

Therefore  $x_0 \in B_x$  and  $B_y \subseteq B_x$  implies that  $B_x \le B_y$ for all  $B_x \in A_1$ . Thus  $B_y$  is an upper bound in A for family A<sub>1</sub>. Hence by Zorn's Lemma, A has a maximal element, say, B<sub>z</sub>, for some  $z \in X$ . We claim that  $z = \Delta z$ .

Suppose that  $z \neq \Delta z$ . Since  $\Delta$  is contractive, therefore

$$M(\Lambda z, \Lambda^2 z, t) >_L M(z, \Lambda z, t),$$

where  $\Delta^2 = \Delta 0 \Delta$  and

$$\Lambda z \in B[\Lambda z, \eta(\Lambda z, t), t] \cap B[z, \eta(z, t), t]$$

Therefore  $B_{\Delta z} \subseteq B_z$  and z is not in  $B_{\Delta z}$ . Thus  $B_{\Delta z} \subset B_z$ , which contradicts the maximality of  $B_z$ . Hence  $\Delta$  has a fixed point.

Uniqueness easily follows from contractive condition.

## CONCLUSION

In this research we introduce the concept of fixed point theorem in L-fuzzy metric spaces and present some results.

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