

## SOME RESULTS ON $t$ -BEST APPROXIMATION IN FUZZY ANTI-NORMED LINEAR SPACES

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**Abstract:** The aim of this paper to give the set of all  $t$ -best approximations on fuzzy anti-normed spaces and prove some theorems in the sense of Vaezpour and Karimi [12].

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### 1. Introduction

Fuzzy set theory is a useful tool to describe situations in which the data are imprecise or vague. Fuzzy sets handle such situation by attributing a degree to which a certain object belongs to a set. The theory of fuzzy sets was introduced by Zadeh [14] in 1965, since then many mathematicians have studied from several angles [11,5]. The idea of fuzzy norm was initiated by Katsaras in [9]. Felbin [6] defined a fuzzy norm on a linear space whose associated fuzzy metric is of Kaleva and Seikkala type [8]. Cheng and Mordeson [4] introduced an idea of a fuzzy norm on a linear space whose associated metric is Kramosil and Michalek type [10].

Bag and Samanta in [1] gave a definition of a fuzzy norm in such a manner that the corresponding fuzzy metric is of Kramosil and Michalek type [10]. They also studied some properties of the fuzzy norm in [2] and [3]. Bag and

Samanta discussed the notion of convergent sequence and Cauchy sequence in fuzzy normed linear space in [1]. They also made in [3] a comparative study of the fuzzy norms defined by Katsaras [9], Felbin [6], and Bag and Samanta [1]. Veeramani [13] introduced the concept of  $t$ -best approximations in fuzzy metric spaces. Recently, Vaezpour and Karimi [12], studied on the set of all  $t$ -best approximations on fuzzy normed spaces and proved several theorems pertaining to this set.

In [7] Iqbal H. Jebril and Samanta introduced fuzzy anti-norm on a linear space depending on the idea of fuzzy anti-norm was introduced by Bag and Samanta [3] and investigated their important properties.

In this paper, we give the set of all  $t$ -best approximations on fuzzy anti-normed spaces and prove some theorems in the sense of Vaezpour and Karimi [12].

## 2. Preliminaries

**Definition 1.** [1] Let  $X$  be a linear space over a real field  $F$ . A fuzzy subset  $N$  of  $X \times R$  is called a fuzzy norm on  $X$  if the following conditions are satisfied for all  $x, y \in X$ .

( $N_1$ ): For all  $t \in R$  with  $t \leq 0$ ,  $N(x, t) = 0$ ,

( $N_2$ ): For all  $t \in R$  with  $t > 0$ ,  $N(x, t) = 1$  if and only if  $x = \bar{0}$ ,

( $N_3$ ): For all  $t \in R$  with  $t > 0$ ,  $N(cx, t) = N(x, \frac{t}{|c|})$  if  $c \neq 0$ ,  $c \in F$

( $N_4$ ): For all  $s, t \in R$ ,  $N(x + y, s + t) \geq \min\{N(x, s), N(y, t)\}$

( $N_5$ ):  $N(x, t)$  is a non-decreasing function of  $t \in R$  and  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} N(x, t) = 1$ .

Then the pair  $(X, N)$  is called a fuzzy normed linear space (briefly F-NLS).

**Definition 2.** [7] Let  $X$  be a linear space over a real field  $F$ . A fuzzy subset  $N$  of  $X \times R$  is called a fuzzy anti-norm on  $X$  if the following conditions are satisfied for all  $x, y \in X$

( $a - N_1$ ): For all  $t \in R$  with  $t \leq 0$ ,  $N(x, t) = 1$ ,

( $a - N_2$ ): For all  $t \in R$  with  $t > 0$ ,  $N(x, t) = 0$  if and only if  $x = \bar{0}$ ,

( $a - N_3$ ): For all  $t \in R$  with  $t > 0$ ,  $N(cx, t) = N(x, \frac{t}{|c|})$  if  $c \neq 0$ ,  $c \in F$

( $a - N_4$ ): For all  $s, t \in R$ ,  $N(x + y, s + t) \leq \max\{N(x, s), N(y, t)\}$

( $a - N_5$ ):  $N(x, t)$  is a non-increasing function of  $t \in R$  and  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} N(x, t) = 0$ .

Then the pair  $(X, N)$  is called a fuzzy anti-normed linear space (briefly Fa-NLS).

**Example 3.** Let  $(X, \|\bullet\|)$  be a normed linear space. Define

$$\begin{aligned} N(x, t) &= \frac{\|x\|}{t + \|x\|}, \text{ if } t > 0, \ t \in R, \ x \in X \\ &= 1, \text{ if } t \leq 0, \ t \in R, \ x \in X. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $(X, N)$  is a Fuzzy anti-normed linear space.

**Definition 4.** A sequence  $\{x_k\}$  in a fuzzy anti-normed linear space  $(X, N)$  is said to be converges to  $x \in X$  if given  $t > 0, 0 < r < 1$ , there exists an integer  $n_0 \in N$  such that  $N(x_k - x, t) < r$ , for all  $k \geq n_0$ .

**Theorem 5.** In a fuzzy anti-normed linear space  $(X, N)$ , a sequence  $\{x_k\}$  converges to  $x \in X$  if and only  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} N(x_k - x, t) = 0, \forall t > 0$ .

### 3. Main Results

**Definition 6.** Let  $(X, N)$  be a fuzzy anti-normed space. The open ball  $B(x, r, t)$  and the closed ball  $B[x, r, t]$  with the center  $x \in X$  and radius  $0 < r < 1, t > 0$  are defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} B(x, r, t) &= \{y \in X : N(x - y, t) < r\} \\ B[x, r, t] &= \{y \in X : N(x - y, t) \leq r\} \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 7.** Let  $(X, N)$  be a fuzzy anti-normed space. A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is said to be open if there exists  $r \in (0, 1)$  such that  $B(x, r, t) \subset A$  for all  $x \in A$  and  $t > 0$ .

**Definition 8.** Let  $(X, N)$  be a fuzzy anti-normed space. A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is said to be closed if for any sequence  $\{x_k\}$  in  $A$  converges to  $x \in A$ .

i.e.,  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} N(x_k - x, t) = 0$ , for all  $t > 0$  implies that  $x \in A$ .

**Definition 9.** Let  $(X, N)$  be a fuzzy anti-normed space. A subset  $B$  of  $X$  is said to be closure of  $A \subset B$  if for any  $x \in B$ , there exists a sequence  $\{x_k\}$  in  $A$  such that  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} N(x_k - x, t) = 0, \forall t > 0$ . We denote the set  $B$  by  $\overline{A}$ .

**Definition 10.** Let  $(X, N)$  be a fuzzy anti-normed space. A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is said to be compact if for any sequence  $\{x_k\}$  in  $A$  has a sequence converging to an element of  $A$ .

**Lemma 11.** If  $(X, N)$  be a fuzzy anti-normed space then

- (i) the function  $(x, y) \rightarrow x + y$  is continuous
- (ii) the function  $(\alpha, x) \rightarrow \alpha x$  is continuous

*Proof.* (i) If  $x_k \rightarrow x$  and  $y_k \rightarrow y$ , then as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ ,  
 $N((x_k + y_k) - (x + y), t) \leq \max\{N(x_k - x, \frac{t}{2}), N(y_k - y, \frac{t}{2})\} \rightarrow 0$

(ii) If  $x_k \rightarrow x$ ,  $\alpha_k \rightarrow \alpha$  and  $\alpha_k \neq 0$  then

$$\begin{aligned} N(\alpha_k x_k - \alpha x, t) &= N(\alpha_k(x_k - x) + x(\alpha_k - \alpha), t) \\ &\leq \max\{N(\alpha_k(x_k - x), \frac{t}{2}), N(x(\alpha_k - \alpha), \frac{t}{2})\} \\ &= \max\{N(x_k - x, \frac{t}{2\alpha_k}), N(x, \frac{t}{2(\alpha_k - \alpha)})\} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 12.** Let  $(X, N)$  be a fuzzy anti-normed space and  $A$  is a nonempty subset of  $X$ . Let  $d(A, x, t) = \inf\{N(x - y, t) : y \in A\}$ , where  $x \in X$ ,  $t > 0$ . An element  $y_0 \in A$  is said to be a  $t$ -best approximation of  $x$  from  $A$  if  $N(y_0 - x, t) = d(A, x, t)$ .

**Definition 13.** Let  $(X, N)$  be a fuzzy anti-normed space and  $A$  is a nonempty subset of  $X$ . For  $x \in X$ ,  $t > 0$ , we shall denote the set of all elements of  $t$ -best approximation of  $x$  from  $A$  by  $P_A^t(x)$ ; i.e.,

$$P_A^t(x) = \{y \in A : d(A, x, t) = N(y - x, t)\}.$$

If each  $x \in X$  has at least (respectively exactly) one  $t$ -best approximation in  $A$  then  $A$  is called a  $t$ -proximal (respectively  $t$ -chebyshev) set.

**Definition 14.** Let  $(X, N)$  be a fuzzy anti-normed space and  $A$  is a nonempty subset of  $X$ . For  $t > 0$ ,  $A$  is said to be  $t$ -boundedly compact if for each  $x \in X$  and  $0 < r < 1$ ,  $B[x, r, t] \cap A$  is a compact subset of  $X$ .

**Theorem 15.** Let  $(X, N)$  be a fuzzy anti-normed space and  $A$  is a nonempty subset of  $X$  then

- (i)  $d(A + y, x + y, t) = d(A, x, t)$ , for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$ ,
- (ii)  $P_A^t(x + y) = P_A^t(x) + y$ , for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$ ,
- (iii)  $d(\alpha A, \alpha x, t) = d(A, x, \frac{t}{|\alpha|})$ , for all  $x \in X$ ,  $t > 0$  and  $\alpha \in R \setminus \{0\}$ ,
- (iv)  $P_{\alpha A}^{|\alpha|t}(\alpha x) = \alpha P_A^t(x)$ , for all  $x \in X$ ,  $t > 0$  and  $\alpha \in R \setminus \{0\}$ ,
- (v)  $A$  is  $t$ -proximal (respectively  $t$ -chebyshev) if and only if  $A + y$  is  $t$ -proximal (respectively  $t$ -chebyshev) for any given  $y \in X$ ,
- (vi)  $A$  is  $t$ -proximal (respectively  $t$ -chebyshev) if and only if  $\alpha A$  is  $|\alpha|t$ -proximal (respectively  $|\alpha|t$ -chebyshev) for any given  $\alpha \in R \setminus \{0\}$ .

*Proof.* (i) For  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$ ,  
 $d(A + y, x + y, t) = \inf\{N((z + y) - (x + y), t) : z \in A\}$   
 $= \inf\{N(z - x, t) : z \in A\} = d(A, x, t)$ .

(ii) On using (i), it follows that,  $y_0 \in P_{A+y}^t(x + y)$  if and only if  $y_0 \in A + y$  and  $d(A + y, x + y, t) = N(x + y - y_0, t)$  if and only if  $y_0 - y \in A$  and  $d(A, x, t) = N(x - (y_0 - y), t)$  if and only if  $y_0 - y \in P_A^t(x)$ , i.e.,  $y_0 \in P_A^t(x) + y$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(iii)} \quad & \text{We have } d(\alpha A, \alpha x, t) = \inf\{N(\alpha x - \alpha z, t) : z \in A\} \\
& = \inf\{N(\alpha(x - z), t) : z \in A\} \\
& = \inf\{N(x - z, \frac{t}{|\alpha|}) : z \in A\} = d(A, x, \frac{t}{|\alpha|}).
\end{aligned}$$

(iv) On using (iii), it follows that  $y_0 \in P_{\alpha A}^{|\alpha|t}(\alpha x)$  if and only if  $y_0 \in \alpha A$  and  $d(\alpha A, \alpha x, |\alpha|t) = N(\alpha x - y_0, |\alpha|t)$  if and only if  $\frac{y_0}{\alpha} \in A$  and  $N(x - \frac{y_0}{\alpha}, t) = d(A, x, t)$ . However, this is equivalent to  $\frac{y_0}{\alpha} \in P_A^t(x)$ ; i.e.,  $y_0 \in \alpha P_A^t(x)$ .

(v) The proof of (v) is an immediate consequence of (ii).

(vi) The proof of (vi) follows from (iv).  $\square$

**Corollary 16.** *Let  $M$  be a nonempty subspace of  $X$  then*

(i)  $d(M, x + y, t) = d(M, x, t)$ , for all  $t > 0$ ,  $x \in X$  and  $y \in M$ ,

(ii)  $P_M^t(x + y) = P_M^t(x) + y$ , for all  $t > 0$ ,  $x \in X$  and  $y \in M$ ,

(iii)  $d(M, \alpha x, |\alpha|t) = d(M, x, t)$ , for all  $t > 0$ ,  $x \in X$  and  $\alpha \in R \setminus \{0\}$ ,

(iv)  $P_M^{|\alpha|t}(\alpha x) = \alpha P_M^t(x)$ , for all  $t > 0$ ,  $x \in X$  and  $\alpha \in R \setminus \{0\}$ .

*Proof.* The proof of (i) and (ii) follows from theorem 15(i) and 15(ii) and the fact that if  $M$  is a subspace and  $y \in M$  then  $M + y = M$ .

The proof of (iii) and (iv) follows from theorem 15(iii) and 15(iv) and the fact that if  $M$  is a subspace and  $\alpha \neq 0$  then  $\alpha M = M$   $\square$

**Definition 17.** For  $x \in X$ ,  $0 < r < 1$ ,  $t > 0$ ,

$$S[x, r, t] = \{y \in X : N(x - y, t) = r\} \quad \text{and} \quad e_A^t(x) = d(A, x, t).$$

**Theorem 18.** *Let  $(X, N)$  be a fuzzy anti-normed space,  $A \subset X$ ,  $x \in X \setminus \bar{A}$  and  $t > 0$  then we have*

$$P_A^t(x) = A \cap B[x, e_A^t(x), t] = A \cap S[x, e_A^t(x), t]. \quad (1)$$

*Proof.* The inclusions;

$$P_A^t(x) \subseteq A \cap S[x, e_A^t(x), t] \subseteq A \cap B[x, e_A^t(x), t]. \quad (2)$$

are obvious by the definitions of  $P_A^t(x)$  and  $e_A^t(x)$ .

Conversely, let  $y \in A \cap B[x, e_A^t(x), t]$ , then we have  $y \in A$  and  $N(y - x, t) \leq e_A^t(x) = d(A, x, t) \leq N(y - x, t)$ .

Therefore  $y \in A$  and  $N(y - x, t) = d(A, x, t)$ , which implies that  $y \in P_A^t(x)$ . So,  $A \cap B[x, e_A^t(x), t] \subset P_A^t(x)$ . Hence by (2) we have (1) which completes the proof.  $\square$

**Remark 19.** Let  $(X, N)$  be a fuzzy anti-normed linear space and  $A$  is a nonempty subset of  $X$ ,  $x \in X \setminus \overline{A}$  and  $t > 0$  then we have

$$A \cap B(x, e_A^t(x), t) = \emptyset, \tag{3}$$

because, if  $y_0 \in A \cap B(x, e_A^t(x), t)$  then  $d(A, x, t) \leq N(x - y_0, t) < d(A, x, t)$  which is impossible.

**Corollary 20.** Let  $(X, N)$  be a fuzzy anti-normed space and  $A$  is a nonempty subset of  $X$ ,  $x \in X \setminus \overline{A}$  with  $P_A^t(x) \neq \emptyset$  and  $0 < r < 1$  such that,

$$\emptyset \neq A \cap B[x, r, t] \subseteq S[x, r, t] \tag{4}$$

then we have  $r = e_A^t(x)$ , and we can write  $A \cap B[x, r, t] = P_A^t(x)$ .

*Proof.* If  $r < e_A^t(x)$  then by the definition of  $e_A^t(x)$  we have  $A \cap B[x, r, t] = \emptyset$ , which contradicts (4). If  $r > e_A^t(x)$ , since  $P_A^t(x) \neq \emptyset$ , then by (1) we have  $\emptyset \neq P_A^t(x) = A \cap B[x, e_A^t(x), t] \subseteq A \cap B(x, r, t)$ , which contradicts (4), and this completes the proof.  $\square$

**Definition 21.** Let  $(X, N)$  be a fuzzy anti-normed space,  $0 < r < 1$  and  $t > 0$ . We shall say that a set  $A \subset X$  supports the cell  $B[x, r, t]$ , or that  $A$  is a support set of the cell  $B[x, r, t]$ , if we have  $d(A, B[x, r, t], t) = 1$  and  $A \cap B(x, r, t) = \emptyset$ .

**Theorem 22.** Let  $(X, N)$  be a fuzzy anti-normed space and  $A$  is a nonempty subset of  $X$ ,  $x \in X \setminus \overline{A}$ ,  $a_0 \in A$  and  $t > 0$ . We have  $a_0 \in P_A^t(x)$  if and only if the set  $A$  supports the cell  $B = B[x, N(a_0 - x, t), t]$ .

*Proof.* Assume that  $a_0 \in P_A^t(x)$ . Hence  $N(a_0 - x, t) = d(A, x, t)$ . Then by (3), we have  $A \cap B(x, N(a_0 - x, t), t) = \emptyset$ , on the other hand, since  $a_0 \in A \cap B[x, N(a_0 - x, t), t]$ , we have  $d(A, B, t) = 1$ . Consequently, the set  $A$  supports the cell  $B$ . Conversely, suppose  $a_0 \notin P_A^t(x)$ , hence  $N(a_0 - x, t) > d(A, x, t)$ , and let  $0 < \varepsilon < 1$  such that  $N(a_0 - x, t) > d(A, x, t) + \varepsilon$ . Then there exists an  $a \in A$  such that  $N(a_0 - x, t) > d(A, x, t) + \varepsilon > N(a - x, t)$ , hence  $a \in B(x, N(a_0 - x, t), t)$ . Consequently,  $A$  does not support the cell  $B$ .  $\square$

**Remark 23.** We recall that a set  $A$  in a topological space  $\tau$  is said to be countably compact, if every countable open cover of  $A$  has a finite subcover, or, which is equivalent, if for every decreasing sequence  $A_1 \supset A_2 \supset \dots$  of non-void

closed subset of  $A$  we have  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \neq \emptyset$

**Theorem 24.** Let  $(X, N)$  be a fuzzy anti-normed space,  $\tau$  be an arbitrary topology on  $X$  and  $t > 0$ . If  $A$  is a nonempty subset of  $X$  such that for  $A \cap B[x, r, t]$  is  $\tau$ -countably compact, then  $A$  is  $t$ -proximal.

*Proof.* For all  $n \in N$ ,  $0 < 1 - d(A, x, t) + \frac{d(A, x, t)}{n+1} < 1$ . put

$$A_n^t = A \cap B \left[ x, 1 - d(A, x, t) + \frac{d(A, x, t)}{n + 1}, t \right], \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Since for every  $n \in N$ ,  $d(A, x, t) \left( 1 - \frac{1}{n+1} \right) > d(A, x, t)$ , obviously  $A_1^t \supset A_2^t \supset \dots$  and each  $A_n^t \neq \emptyset$ . Hence there exists  $a_n^t \in A$  such that

$$d(A, x, t) \left( 1 - \frac{1}{n + 1} \right) > N(a_n^t - x, t).$$

It follows that  $a_n^t \in A_n^t$ . Now, since each  $A_n^t$  is  $\tau$ -countably compact and  $\tau$ -closed, we conclude that there exists an  $a_0 \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n^t$ . Then we have

$$d(A, x, t) \leq N(a_0 - x, t) \leq d(A, x, t) \left( 1 - \frac{1}{n + 1} \right), \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots),$$

hence  $a_0 \in P_A^t(x)$  which completes the proof. □

**Definition 25.** Let  $(X, N)$  be a fuzzy anti-normed space and  $A$  is a nonempty subset of  $X$ . An element  $y_0 \in A$  is said to be an  $F$ -best approximation of  $x \in X$  from  $A$  if it is a  $t$ -best approximation of  $x$  from  $A$ , for every  $t > 0$ , i.e.,

$$y_0 \in \bigcap_{t \in (0, \infty)} P_A^t(x).$$

The set of all elements of  $F$ -best approximations of  $x \in X$  from  $A$  is denoted by  $FP_A(x)$ , i.e.,

$$FP_A(x) = \bigcap_{t \in (0, \infty)} P_A^t(x).$$

If each  $x \in X$  has at least (respectively exactly) one  $F$ -best approximation in  $A$  then  $A$  is called a  $F$ -proximal (respectively  $F$ -chebyshev) set.

**Example 26.** Let  $X = R$ . Define  $N : X \times R \rightarrow [0, 1]$  by

$$N(x, t) = \frac{\|x\|}{t + \|x\|}, \quad \text{if } t > 0, \quad t \in R, \quad x \in X$$

$$= 1, \text{ if } t \leq 0, t \in R, x \in X.$$

Then  $(X, N)$  is a fuzzy anti-normed space. Let  $A = [0, 1]$ . Then, for every  $x < 1$ , we have 1 is an  $F$ -best approximation of  $x$  from  $A$  and for every  $x > 0$ , we have 0 is an  $F$ -best approximation of  $x$  from  $A$ . So  $A$  is an  $F$ -proximal set.

**Remark 27.** For an arbitrary set  $A \subset X$  we shall denote by  $\partial A$  the boundary of  $A$ , and by  $\mathcal{M}_A$  the set of all elements of the  $F$ -best approximation of the elements  $x \in X$  from  $A$ . i.e.,

$$\mathcal{M}_A = \bigcup_{x \in X} FP_A(x).$$

**Theorem 28.** Let  $(X, N)$  be a fuzzy anti-normed space,  $A$  is a nonempty subset of  $X$  and  $A$  be a  $F$ -best proximal set in  $X$  then  $\partial A \subset \overline{\mathcal{M}_A}$ .

*Proof.* If  $\partial A = \emptyset$ , the proof is obvious. If  $\partial A \neq \emptyset$ , let  $a_0 \in \partial A$ ,  $0 < \varepsilon < 1$  and  $t > 0$  be arbitrary. Then there exists  $0 < \varepsilon' < 1$  such that  $\varepsilon' < \varepsilon$  and the cell  $B(a_0, \varepsilon', \frac{t}{2})$  contains at least one element  $x \in X \setminus A$ . Let  $\pi_A(x) \in FP_A(x)$  (it exists, since by hypothesis,  $A$  is  $F$ -proximal). Then we have,

$$\begin{aligned} N(a_0 - \pi_A(x), t) &\leq \max \left\{ N(a_0 - x, \frac{t}{2}), N(x - \pi_A(x), \frac{t}{2}) \right\} \\ &= \max \left\{ N(a_0 - x, \frac{t}{2}), N(A - x, \frac{t}{2}) \right\} \\ &\leq \max \left\{ N(a_0 - x, \frac{t}{2}), N(a_0 - x, \frac{t}{2}) \right\} \\ &\leq \max \{ \varepsilon', \varepsilon' \} = \varepsilon' \\ &< \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

So,  $B(a_0, \varepsilon, t) \cap \mathcal{M}_A \neq \emptyset$  and since  $\varepsilon > 0$  is arbitrary, we obtain  $a_0 \in \overline{\mathcal{M}_A}$  which completes the proof. □

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