



A Note on Separation Theorem and Continuous Linear Functionals

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ABSTRACT: In this article, we obtain a depiction of continuous linear functionals on a fuzzy quasi-normed space, and indicate the firm of all continuous linear functional forms a convex cone. Finally, we establish a theorem of separation and Hahn-Banach for convex subsets.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Alegre and Romaguera [2] formulated problem using fuzzy quasi-norm, while [1] obtained the properties of the paratopological vector spaces that are quasi-metrizable, locally bounded, quasi-normable. In [4], they established some results in fuzzy quasi-normed spaces. The [3] was expanded upon by [4] by proving an extension theorem for continuous linear functionals on a fuzzy normed space.

This paper consists of four sections. Section 1 contains introduction. Section 2 consists of basic definitions and propositions. In section 3, we discuss continuous linear functionals on a “fuzzy quasi-normed space”. In section 4, we prove Hahn-Banach and separation theorems for convex subsets.

II. PRELIMINARIES

Definition 1 [8]: A binary operation $*$: $[0,1] \times [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$ is a continuous t-norm if it satisfies the following conditions: $\forall a, b, c, d \in [0,1]$,

- (1) $a * b = b * a$ (commutativity);
- (2) $(a * b) * c = a * (b * c)$ (associativity);
- (3) $a * b \leq c * d$ whenever $a \leq c$ and $b \leq d$ (monotonicity);
- (4) $a * 1 = a$ (boundary condition);
- (5) $*$ is continuous on $[0,1] \times [0,1]$ (continuity).

Three paradigmatic examples of continuous t-norm are \wedge, \cdot and $*_L$ (the Lukasiewicz t-norm), which are defined by

$a \wedge b = \min\{a, b\}$, $a \cdot b = ab$ and $*_L b = \max\{a + b - 1, 0\}$, respectively.

Definition 2 [2]: A fuzzy quasi-norm on a real vector space X is a pair $(N, *)$ such that $*$ is a continuous t-norm and N is a fuzzy set $X \times [0, +\infty)$ satisfying the following conditions: for every $x, y \in X$,

- (FQN1) $N(x, 0) = 0$;
- (FQN2) $N(x, t) = N(-x, t) = 1$ for all $t > 0 \Leftrightarrow x = \theta$;
- (FQN3) $N(\lambda x, t) = N(x, t/\lambda)$ for all $t > 0$;
- (FQN4) $N(x, t) * N(y, s) \leq N(x + y, t + s)$ for all $s, t > 0$;
- (FQN5) $N(x, \cdot): [0, +\infty) \rightarrow [0,1]$ is left continuous;

$$(FQN6) \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} N(x, t) = 1.$$

Obviously, the function $N(x, \cdot)$ is increasing for each $x \in X$.

By a fuzzy quasi-normed space, we mean a triple $(X, N, *)$ such that X is a real vector space and $(N, *)$ is a fuzzy quasi-norm on X .

If condition (FQN6) is omitted, we say that $(N, *)$ is a weak fuzzy quasi-norm on X .

Each fuzzy quasi-norm $(N, *)$ on X induces a T_0 topology τ_n on X which has a basen given by the family of open balls

$$\mathcal{B}(x) = \{B_n(x, r, t) : r \in (0,1), t > 0\}$$

at $x \in X$,

where,

$$B_n(x, r, t) = \{y \in X : N(y - x, t) > 1 - r\}.$$

We denote $cl_N A$ the closure of A and by $int_N A$ the interior of A in the topological space (X, τ_n) .

A subset A of a real vector space X is

- (1) Semi-balanced [7] provided that for each $x \in A$, $rx \in A$ whenever $0 \leq r \leq 1$;
- (2) absorbing provided that for each $x \in X$, there is $\lambda_0 > 0$ such that $\lambda_0 x \in A$.

Remark 2.1. Obviously, we have

- (1) if A is semibalanced, then A is absorbing if and only if for each $x \in X$, there is $\lambda_0 > 0$ such that $\lambda x \in A$ whenever $0 < \lambda < \lambda_0$;
- (2) if $\theta \in A$ and A is convex, then A is semibalanced.

Proposition 2.1 [2]. Let $(X, N, *)$ be a fuzzy quasi-normed space and let $\mathcal{B}(\theta)$ the family of open balls with center in the origin θ . Then:

- (1) $B_N(\theta, r, t)$ is absorbing for all $t > 0$ and $r \in (0,1)$.
- (2) $B_N(\theta, r, t)$ is semi-balanced for all $t > 0$ and $r \in (0,1)$.
- (3) $\lambda B_N(\theta, r, t) = B_N(\theta, r, \lambda t)$ for every $\lambda > 0, t > 0$ and $r \in (0,1)$.
- (4) If $U \in \mathcal{B}(\theta)$, there is $V \in \mathcal{B}(\theta)$, such that $V + V \subseteq U$.
- (5) If $U, V \in \mathcal{B}(\theta)$, there is $W \in \mathcal{B}(\theta)$, such that $W \subseteq U \cap V$.

(6) $\forall x \in X, x + B_N(\theta, r, t) = B_N(x, r, t)$.

Remark 2.2. If the continuous t-norm * is chosen as “ \wedge ”, then each element $B(\theta)$ is convex.

Remark 2.3. By Proposition 2.1, the mappings: $(x, y) \rightarrow x + y$ and $(\lambda, x) \rightarrow \lambda x$ are continuous on $X \times X$ and $[0, \infty) \times X$, respectively, and the topology τ_n is translation invariant.

Proposition 2.2 ([2]). If $(X, N, *)$ is a fuzzy quasi-normed space, then $(X, \tau_n, *)$ is a quasi-metrizable paratopological vector space.

Proposition 2.3. Let $P = \{p_\alpha: p_\alpha$ is a function from X to $[0, \infty), \alpha \in (0,1)\}$ be a family of star quasi-seminorms. For each $x \in X$, let

$$U_p(x) = \{U(x: \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n; \varepsilon): \varepsilon > 0; \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n \in (0,1), n \in \mathbb{N}\},$$

where

$$U(x: \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n; \varepsilon) = \{y \in X: p_{\alpha_i}(y - x) < \varepsilon, \alpha_i \in (0,1), i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$$

$$= \bigcap_{i=1}^n \{y \in X: p_{\alpha_i}(y - x) < \varepsilon, \alpha_i \in (0,1)\} \\ = \{y \in X: p_{\max\{\alpha_i: 1 \leq i \leq n\}}(y - x) < \varepsilon\}$$

Then, $U_p(x)$ is a basis of neighbourhoods of x .

III. CONTINUOUS LINEAR FUNCTIONALS ON A “FUZZY QUASI-NORMED SPACE

Consider the quasi-norm $w(x_1) = \max\{x_1, 0\}$ on the real numbers \mathbb{R} . The topology $\tau(w)$ generated by w is called the upper topology of \mathbb{R} . A basis of open $\tau(w)$ -neighbourhoods of a point $x_1 \in \mathbb{R}$ is formed of the intervals $(-\infty, x_1 + \varepsilon), \varepsilon > 0$.

The quasi-dual $(X_1, N, *)^\#$ of a fuzzy quasi-normed space $(X_1, N, *)$ is formed by all continuous linear functionals from (X_1, τ_N) to $(\mathbb{R}, \tau(w))$. In the sequel, $(X_1, N, *)^\#$ will be simply denoted by $X_1^\#$.

Theorem 3.1 Let $(X_1, N, *)$ be a fuzzy quasi-normed space. $f \in X_1^\#$ iff there are $\alpha \in (0,1)$ and $M_1 > 0$ s.t. $h(x_1) \leq M_1 \|x_1\|_\alpha$ for all $x_1 \in X_1$.

Corollary 3.1 Let $(X_1, N, *)$ be a fuzzy quasi-normed space. $(X_1, N, *)^\#$ is a convex cone.

Now, we shall equip $(X_1, N, *)^\#$ with a weak fuzzy quasi-norm.

Definition 3.1 Let X_1 be a linear space and let $q_1: X_1 \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ be an extended function $\forall i \in I$. If $[q_1: i \in I]$ fulfils the conditions of star quasi-seminorms, then it is called a family of star extended quasi-seminorms.

Theorem 3.2 Let $Q = \{\|\cdot\|_\alpha: \alpha \in (0,1)\}$ be an increasing family of separating star extended quasi-seminorms on real linear space X_1 , and let $\|\cdot\|_o$ be given by $\|x\|_o = 0 \forall x_1 \in X_1$. The function $N_q(x_1, t): X_1 \times [0, \infty] \rightarrow [0,1]$ is given by

$$N_q(x_1, t) = \begin{cases} 0, & t = 0 \\ \sup \{\alpha \in (0,1): \|x_1\|_\alpha < t, t > 0\} \end{cases} \tag{3.1}$$

Then $(N_q, *)$ is a weak fuzzy quasi-norm on X_1 .

(FQN1) is obvious.

(FQN2) If $N_q(x_1, t) = N_q(-x_1, t) \forall t > 0$ then $\|x_1\|_\alpha < t$ and $\|-x_1\|_\alpha < t \forall \alpha \in (0,1)$ from (3.1). Therefore, $\|x_1\|_\alpha = \|-x_1\|_\alpha = 0 \forall \alpha \in (0,1)$. Since Q is separating, $x_1 = \theta$. Conversely, if $x_1 = \theta$, then it implies that $\|x_1\|_\alpha = \|-x_1\|_\alpha = 0 \forall t > 0$.

By (3.1), $N_q(x_1, t) = N_q(-x_1, t) = 1$.

(FQN3) Let $d > 0$. From $(*QN1)$, we have

$$N_q(dx_1, t) = \sup \{\alpha \in (0,1): \|dx_1\|_\alpha < t\} \\ = \sup \{\alpha \in (0,1): \|x_1\|_\alpha < \frac{t}{c}\} \\ = N_q(x_1, t/c).$$

(FQN4) Let $x_1, y_1 \in X_1$ and $s, t > 0$ and let $N_q(x_1, t) = \beta, N_q(y_1, s) = \gamma$. W.L.O.G., we assume that $0 < \min\{\beta, \gamma\}$.

For any $0 < \varepsilon < \min\{\beta, \gamma\}$, there exist $\alpha', \alpha'' \in (0,1)$ s.t. $\alpha' > \beta - \varepsilon, \alpha'' > \gamma - \varepsilon, \|x_1\|_{\alpha'} < t$ and

$$\|y_1\|_{\alpha''} < s.$$

Thus, $\|x_1\|_{\beta-\varepsilon} < t$ and $\|y_1\|_{\gamma-\varepsilon} < s$. And hence,

$$\|x_1 + y_1\|_{(\beta-\varepsilon)*(\gamma-\varepsilon)} \leq \|x_1\|_{\beta-\varepsilon} + \|y_1\|_{\gamma-\varepsilon} < t + s.$$

By (3.1), $N_q(x_1 + y_1, t + s) \geq (\beta - \varepsilon) * (\gamma - \varepsilon)$.

(FQN5) Obviously, $N_q(\theta, _) = 1$, and hence, $N_q(\theta, _)$ is continuous. Now, take $x_o \in X/\{\theta\}$ and $t_o > 0$.

If $N_q(x_1, t_o) = 0$, then $N_q(x_1, t) = N_q(x_1, t_o) = 0 \forall t < t_o$.

So, $N_q(x_1, _)$ is left continuous at t_o . Take $\varepsilon > 0$, from

(3.1), $\exists \alpha_o \in (0,1)$ s.t. $\|x_1\|_{\alpha_o} < t_o$ and $N_q(x_o, t) - \varepsilon < \alpha_o$. So, we have $N_q(x, t) \geq \alpha_o \forall t$ with $\|x_1\|_{\alpha_o} < t < t_o$. Hence, $N_q(x, t_o) - N_q(x_1, t) \leq N_q(x_1, t_o) - \alpha_o < \varepsilon$.

Therefore, $N_q(x_1, _)$ is left continuous at t_o . And

$$\|h\|_\alpha^\# = \sup \{h(x_1): \|x_1\|_{1-\alpha} \leq 1\} \forall \alpha \in (0,1). \tag{3.2}$$

Theorem 3.3 Let $(X_1, N, *)$ be a fuzzy quasi-normed space, $h \in X^\#, \alpha \in (0,1)$.

1. If $h \neq 0$, then $\|h\|_\alpha^\# > 0$.
2. $\|h\|_\alpha^\# = \sup \{h(x_1): \|x_1\|_{1-\alpha} < 1\}$.
3. $\|h\|_\alpha^\# = \sup \{h(x_1): N(x_1, 1) \geq 1 - \alpha\}$.
4. If $N(x_1, _)$ is increasing strictly, then $\|h\|_\alpha^\# = \sup \{h(x_1): N(x_1, 1) \geq 1 - \alpha\}$

Theorem 3.4 Let $(X_1, N, *)$ be a fuzzy quasi-normed space. Then

- (1) $\{\|\cdot\|_\alpha^\#: \alpha \in (0,1)\}$ is a family of separating star extended quasi-seminorms on $X_1^\#$;
- (2) $\{\|\cdot\|_\alpha^\#: \alpha \in (0,1)\}$ is increasing with respect to $\alpha \in (0,1)$.

Remark 3.1 $\|f\|_\alpha^\#$ can be infinity even in symmetrical situations [3].

The following theorem is obvious from theorem 3.2 and theorem 3.4.

Theorem 3.5 Let $(X_1, N, *)$ be a fuzzy quasi-normed space. For each $h \in X_1^\#$, let

$$N_{x_1}^\#(h, t) = \begin{cases} 0, & t = 0 \\ \sup \{ \alpha \in [0, 1] : |h|_\alpha^\# < t \} \end{cases} \quad (3.3)$$

Then, $(N_{x_1}^\#, *)$ is a weak fuzzy quasi-norm on $X_1^\#$.

IV. HAHN-BANACH AND SEPARATION THEOREMS FOR CONVEX SETS

Lemma 4.1 Let X_1 be a linear space and q be a sublinear functional on X_1 . If X_o is a subspace of X_1 and h_o is a linear functional by q on X_o , then \exists a h dominated by q on X_1 s.t. $\frac{h}{X_o} = h_o$.

Theorem 4.1 Let $(X_1, N, *)$ be a fuzzy quasi-normed space and let h_o be a continuous linear functional on a subspace $(X_o, N/X_o, *)$ of $(X_1, N, *)$. Then, $\exists \delta \in [0, 1]$ for which the following two conditions are satisfied:

- (1) for all $\alpha \in (0, \delta)$, there is $h_\alpha \in (X_1, N, *)^\#$ s.t. $\frac{h_\alpha}{X_o} = h_o$ and $||h_\alpha||_\alpha^\# = ||h_o||_{\alpha, X_o}^\#$, where

$$||h_o||_{\alpha, X_o}^\# = \sup \{ h_o(x_1) : x_1 \in X_o, ||x_1||_{1-\alpha} \leq 1 \};$$
- (2) $N_{X_o}^\#(h_o, t) = \sup \{ N^\#(h_\alpha, t) : \alpha \in (0, \delta) \} \forall t > 0$.

Proof:

Put

$$\delta = \sup \{ \alpha \in (0, 1) : ||h_o||_{\alpha, X_o}^\# < \infty \} \quad (4.1)$$

Since $h_o \in (X_o, N/X_o, *)^\#$, we get $\delta \in (0, 1)$.

- (1) For any $\alpha \in (0, \delta)$, (4.1) implies that $||h_o||_{\alpha, X_o}^\# < \infty$.

Define a functional q_α on X_1 as:

$$q_\alpha(x) = ||h_o||_{\alpha, X_o}^\# ||x_1||_{1-\alpha}, \forall x_1 \in X_1.$$

$||\cdot||_{1-\alpha}$ is a quasi-seminorm implying that q_α is a sublinear functional on X .

Let $x_1 \in X_o$. If $||x_1||_{1-\alpha} > 0$, then $h_o(\frac{x_1}{||x_1||_{1-\alpha}}) \leq$

$$||h_o||_{\alpha, X_o}^\# \text{ so that } h_o(x_1) \leq q_\alpha(x).$$

If $||x_1||_{1-\alpha} = 0$, then $||\zeta x_1||_{1-\alpha} = \zeta ||x_1||_{1-\alpha} = 0 \forall \zeta > 0$.

By definition of $||h_o||_{\alpha, X_o}^\#$, we get

$$||h_o||_{\alpha, X_o}^\# > h_o(\zeta x_1) \text{ i.e. } h_o(x_1) \leq ||h_o||_{\alpha, X_o}^\# / \zeta \\ \Rightarrow h_o(x_1) \leq 0 = q_\alpha(x).$$

Thus, h_o is dominated by q_α on X_o .

By lemma 4.1, there is a linear functional h_α on X , s.t.

$$\frac{h_\alpha}{X_o} = h_o \text{ and}$$

$$h_\alpha(x_1) \leq ||h_o||_{\alpha, X_o}^\# ||x_1||_{1-\alpha}, \forall x_1 \in X_1.$$

On the other hand, by $h_\alpha(x) \leq ||h_o||_{\alpha, X_o}^\# ||x_1||_{1-\alpha}$, we

$$\text{know that } h_\alpha(x_1) \leq ||h_o||_{\alpha, X_o}^\#$$

whenever $||x_1||_{1-\alpha} \leq 1$, which means that

$$||h_\alpha||_\alpha^\# = \sup \{ h_\alpha(x_1) : x_1 \in X_o, ||x_1||_{1-\alpha} \leq 1 \} \leq ||h_o||_{\alpha, X_o}^\#.$$

Thus, $||h_\alpha||_\alpha^\# = ||h_o||_{\alpha, X_o}^\#$.

- (2) For any $\alpha \in (0, \delta)$ and $\gamma \in [0, 1]$, since $\frac{h_\alpha}{X_o} = h_o$, it is obvious that

$$||h_\alpha||_\gamma^\# = ||h_o||_{\gamma, X_o}^\#, \text{ it follows}$$

$$N_{X_o}^\#(h_o, t) = \sup \{ \gamma \in [0, 1] : ||h_o||_{\gamma, X_o}^\# < t \} \geq \sup \{ \gamma \in [0, 1] : ||h_\alpha||_\gamma^\# < t \} = N^\#(h_\alpha, t).$$

Lemma 4.2 Let A be a semi-balanced and absorbing subset of a paratopological linear space (X_1, τ) . μ_A is the minkowski functional of the set A , i.e.

$$\mu_A(x_1) = \inf \{ \zeta > 0 : x_1 \in \zeta A \} \forall x_1 \in X_1.$$

$$\text{Put } C = \{ x_1 : \mu_A(x_1) < 1 \}; B = \{ x_1 : \mu_B(x_1) \leq 1 \}$$

- (1) $\mu_A(\zeta x_1) = \zeta \mu_A(x_1) \forall \zeta > 0, \forall x_1 \in X_1$.
- (2) If A is convex, then $\mu_A(x + y) \leq \mu_A(x) + \mu_A(y), \forall x_1, y_1 \in X_1$.
- (3) $int_\tau A \subseteq B \subseteq A \subseteq C \subseteq Cl_\tau A$
- (4) The following are equivalent:
 - (i) $\mu_A : (X_1, \tau) \rightarrow (R, \tau(w))$ is continuous at θ ,
 - (ii) $int_\tau A = B$,
 - (iii) $\theta \in int_\tau A$.

- (5) If A is convex, then $\mu_A : (X_1, \tau) \rightarrow (R, \tau(w))$ is continuous at θ iff μ_A is continuous at X_1 .

Theorem 4.2 Let $(X_1, N, *)$ be a fuzzy quasi-normed space and A, B two disjoint convex subsets of X with A open. Then, $\exists \alpha \delta \in (0, 1]$ s.t for each $\alpha \in (0, \delta)$, there is $h_\alpha \in X^\#$ s.t.

$$h_\alpha(x_1) < h_\alpha(y_1) \forall x_1 \in A, y_1 \in B.$$

Proof:

Let $\vartheta \in A, \eta \in B$ and let $\xi = \eta - \vartheta$. Since A is open and topology τ_N is translation invariant, $C = A - B + \xi$ is open. It is obvious that C is convex and $\theta \in C$.

By lemma 4.2, μ_C of C is sublinear, $\tau(w)$ -continuous.

Since, $A \cap B = \phi$, then $\xi \notin C. \mu_C(\xi) \geq 1$. Let X_o be one-dimensional subspace generated by ξ . A linear functional $h_o : X_o \rightarrow R$ by $h_o(t\xi) = t \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$.

Since $h_o(t\xi) = t \leq t\mu_C(\xi) = \mu_C(t\xi)$ for $t \geq 0$, and $h_o(t\xi) = t < 0 \leq \mu_C(t\xi)$ for $t < 0$, it follows that

$$h_o(x_1) \leq \mu_C(x_1), \forall x_1 \in X_o.$$

$\Rightarrow h_o$ is $\tau(w)$ -continuous.

By theorem 4.1, $\exists \delta \in (0, 1]$ s.t. $\alpha \in (0, \delta)$, there is $h_\alpha \in X^\#$ s.t $\frac{h_\alpha}{X_o} = h_o$.

For each $x_1 \in A$ and $y_1 \in B$, since $h(\xi) = 1, x - y + \xi \in C$ and C is open,

$$\Rightarrow h\phi_\alpha(x_1) - h\phi_\alpha(y_1) + 1 = \phi h_\alpha(x_1 - y_1 + \xi) \leq \mu_C(x_1 - y_1 + \xi) < 1,$$

$$\Rightarrow h_\alpha(x_1) < h_\alpha(y_1).$$

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