

CONVERGENCY OF THE FUZZY VECTORS IN THE PSEUDO-FUZZY VECTOR SPACE OVER $F_p^1(1)$

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In 2003, we considered the pseudo-fuzzy vector space SFR over $F_p^1(1)$. Here, we further discuss the convergency of the fuzzy vectors in SFR.

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1. Introduction. In this paper, we discuss the convergency of the fuzzy space over $F_p^1(1)$ (see [4]). In [4, Section 2], we stated the pseudo-fuzzy vector space SFR over $F_p^1(1)$ as follows: for two points $P = (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)})$ and $Q = (y^{(1)}, y^{(2)}, \dots, y^{(n)})$ on \mathbb{R}^n , we have the crisp vector $\overrightarrow{PQ} = (y^{(1)} - x^{(1)}, y^{(2)} - x^{(2)}, \dots, y^{(n)} - x^{(n)})$ in a pseudo-fuzzy vector space $F_p^n(1) = \{(a^{(1)}, a^{(2)}, \dots, a^{(n)})_1 \mid \forall (a^{(1)}, a^{(2)}, \dots, a^{(n)}) \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$.

There is a one-to-one onto mapping $P = (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \leftrightarrow \tilde{P} = (\overrightarrow{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}})_1$. Therefore, for the crisp vector \overrightarrow{PQ} , we can define the fuzzy vector $\tilde{P}\tilde{Q} = (y^{(1)} - x^{(1)}, y^{(2)} - x^{(2)}, \dots, y^{(n)} - x^{(n)})_1 = \tilde{Q} \ominus \tilde{P}$.

Let the family of the fuzzy sets on \mathbb{R}^n satisfying the definitions of *convex* and *normal* be F_c . Obviously, $F_p^n(1) \subset F_c$. Next, we extend the fuzzy vector $\tilde{P}\tilde{Q} = \tilde{Q} \ominus \tilde{P}$ to F_c , and $\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y} \in F_c$, and define the fuzzy vector $\tilde{X}\tilde{Y} = \tilde{Y} \ominus \tilde{X}$. Let $\text{SFR} = \{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y} \mid \tilde{X}, \tilde{Y} \in F_c\}$. Then we have the pseudo-fuzzy vector space over $F_p^n(1)$ ($= a_1 \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$). In Section 3, we will discuss the convergency of the fuzzy vectors in SFR.

2. Preparation. In [4], we discussed the pseudo-fuzzy vector space SFR over $F_p^1(1)$. In order to discuss the convergence of the fuzzy vectors in SFR, we need to know some definitions.

DEFINITION 2.1. (1°) The fuzzy set \tilde{A} on $\mathbb{R} = (-\infty, \infty)$ is convex if and only if every ordinary set $A(\alpha) = \{x \mid \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x) \geq \alpha \forall \alpha \in [0, 1]\}$ is convex, and hence $A(\alpha)$ is a closed interval of \mathbb{R} .

(2°) The fuzzy set \tilde{A} on \mathbb{R} is normal if and only if $\bigvee_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x) = 1$.

Next, we extend this definition to \mathbb{R}^n by saying that the membership function of the fuzzy set \tilde{D} on \mathbb{R}^n is $\mu_{\tilde{D}}(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \in [0, 1]$ for all $(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

DEFINITION 2.2. The α -cut ($0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$) of the fuzzy set \tilde{D} on \mathbb{R}^n is defined by $D(\alpha) = \{(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \mid \mu_{\tilde{D}}(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \geq \alpha\}$.

DEFINITION 2.3. (1°) The fuzzy set \tilde{D} on \mathbb{R}^n is convex if and only if every ordinary set $D(\alpha) = \{(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \mid \mu_{\tilde{D}}(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \geq \alpha \forall \alpha \in [0, 1]\}$ is a convex closed subset of \mathbb{R}^n .

(2°) The fuzzy set \tilde{D} is normal if and only if $\bigvee_{(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \in \mathbb{R}^n} \mu_{\tilde{D}}(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) = 1$.

Let the family of the fuzzy sets on \mathbb{R}^n satisfying [Definition 2.3](#) (1°), (2°) be F_c .

DEFINITION 2.4 (Pu and Liu [3]). The fuzzy set a_α ($0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$) on \mathbb{R} is called a level α fuzzy point on \mathbb{R} if its membership function $\mu_{a_\alpha}(x)$ is

$$\mu_{a_\alpha}(x) = \begin{cases} \alpha, & x = a, \\ 0, & x \neq a. \end{cases} \tag{2.1}$$

Let the family of all level α fuzzy points on \mathbb{R} be $F_p^{(1)}(\alpha) = \{a_\alpha \mid \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}, 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1\}$.

DEFINITION 2.5. The fuzzy set $(a^{(1)}, a^{(2)}, \dots, a^{(n)})_\alpha$ ($0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$) is called a level α fuzzy point on \mathbb{R}^n if its membership function is

$$\begin{aligned} &\mu_{(a^{(1)}, a^{(2)}, \dots, a^{(n)})_\alpha}(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \\ &= \begin{cases} \alpha, & \text{if } (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) = (a^{(1)}, a^{(2)}, \dots, a^{(n)}), \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases} \end{aligned} \tag{2.2}$$

Let the family of all level α fuzzy points on \mathbb{R}^n be

$$\begin{aligned} F_p^{(n)}(\alpha) &= \{(a^{(1)}, a^{(2)}, \dots, a^{(n)})_\alpha \mid \forall (a^{(1)}, a^{(2)}, \dots, a^{(n)}) \in \mathbb{R}^n, 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1, \\ &F_p^{(n)} = \bigcup_{0 \leq \alpha \leq 1} F_p^{(n)}(\alpha). \end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

For each $a_\alpha \in F_p^1(\alpha)$, regard $a_\alpha = (a, a, \dots, a)_\alpha$ as a special level α fuzzy point on \mathbb{R}^n degenerated from a level α fuzzy point $(a^{(1)}, a^{(2)}, \dots, a^{(n)})$ with $a^{(1)} = a^{(2)} = \dots = a^{(n)} = a$. Hence, we have the following expression:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{(a, a, \dots, a)_\alpha}(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) &= \begin{cases} \alpha, & (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) = (a, a, \dots, a), \\ 0, & (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \neq (a, a, \dots, a), \end{cases} \\ &= \mu_{a_\alpha}(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}). \end{aligned} \tag{2.4}$$

DEFINITION 2.6. For $D \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, call D_α , $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$, a level α fuzzy domain on \mathbb{R}^n if its membership function is

$$\mu_{D_\alpha}(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) = \begin{cases} \alpha, & \text{if } (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \in D, \\ 0, & \text{if } (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \notin D. \end{cases} \tag{2.5}$$

Let the family of all the level α fuzzy domains on \mathbb{R}^n be $FD^* = \{E_\alpha \mid \forall E \subset \mathbb{R}^n\}$, and let the family of all subsets of \mathbb{R}^n be $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^n) = \{E \mid \forall E \subset \mathbb{R}^n\}$.

Then there is a one-to-one mapping η between $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and FD^* :

$$\begin{aligned} E \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^n) &\longleftrightarrow \eta(E) = E_\alpha \in FD^*, \\ \eta^{(-1)}(E_\alpha) &= E, \quad \alpha \in [0, 1]. \end{aligned} \tag{2.6}$$

Since $\tilde{D} \in F_c$, the α -cut $D(\alpha)$ ($0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$) of \tilde{D} can be mapped to $D(\alpha)_\alpha$.

Thus, we have the following decomposition principle:

$$\forall \tilde{D} \in F_c, \quad \tilde{D} = \bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} D(\alpha)_\alpha. \tag{2.7}$$

From Kaufmann and Gupta [2], we have for $D, E \subset \mathbb{R}^n, k \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\begin{aligned} D(+)E &= \{ (x^{(1)} + y^{(1)}, x^{(2)} + y^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)} + y^{(n)}) \\ &\quad \forall (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \in D, (y^{(1)}, y^{(2)}, \dots, y^{(n)}) \in E \}, \end{aligned} \tag{2.8}$$

$$\begin{aligned} D(-)E &= \{ (x^{(1)} - y^{(1)}, x^{(2)} - y^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)} - y^{(n)}) \\ &\quad \forall (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \in D, (y^{(1)}, y^{(2)}, \dots, y^{(n)}) \in E \}, \end{aligned} \tag{2.9}$$

$$k(\cdot)D = \{ (kx^{(1)}, kx^{(2)}, \dots, kx^{(n)}) \forall (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \in D \}. \tag{2.10}$$

From (2.6), (2.7), (2.8), (2.9), (2.10), and the definition of the α -cut, we have that

(i) the α -cut of $\tilde{D}(+) \tilde{E}$ is $D(\alpha) + E(\alpha)$,

$$\tilde{D} \oplus \tilde{E} = \bigcup_{0 \leq \alpha \leq 1} (D(\alpha)(+)E(\alpha))_\alpha, \tag{2.11}$$

(ii) the α -cut of $\tilde{D}(-) \tilde{E}$ is $D(\alpha) - E(\alpha)$,

$$\tilde{D} \ominus \tilde{E} = \bigcup_{0 \leq \alpha \leq 1} (D(\alpha)(-)E(\alpha))_\alpha, \tag{2.12}$$

(iii) the α -cut of $k_1 \odot wtD$ is $k(\cdot)D(\alpha)$,

$$k_1 \odot \tilde{D} = \bigcup_{0 \leq \alpha \leq 1} (k(\cdot)D(\alpha))_\alpha. \tag{2.13}$$

In the crisp case on \mathbb{R}^n , we can consider the n -dimensional vector space E^n over \mathbb{R} .

Let $P = (p^{(1)}, p^{(2)}, \dots, p^{(n)})$, $Q = (q^{(1)}, q^{(2)}, \dots, q^{(n)})$, $A = (a^{(1)}, a^{(2)}, \dots, a^{(n)})$, $B = (b^{(1)}, b^{(2)}, \dots, b^{(n)}) \in \mathbb{R}^n$; $k \in \mathbb{R}$.

Define the crisp vectors \overrightarrow{PQ} , $\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{PQ}$, and $k \cdot \overrightarrow{PQ}$ as follows:

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = (q^{(1)} - p^{(1)}, q^{(2)} - p^{(2)}, \dots, q^{(n)} - p^{(n)}) = Q(-)P, \tag{2.14}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{PQ} &= (b^{(1)} + q^{(1)} - a^{(1)} - p^{(1)}, b^{(2)} + q^{(2)} - a^{(2)} - p^{(2)}, \\ &\quad \dots, b^{(n)} + q^{(n)} - a^{(n)} - p^{(n)}), \end{aligned} \tag{2.15}$$

$$k \cdot \overrightarrow{PQ} = (kq^{(1)} - kp^{(1)}, kq^{(2)} - kp^{(2)}, \dots, kq^{(n)} - kp^{(n)}). \tag{2.16}$$

Let $O = (0, 0, \dots, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\overrightarrow{OP} = (p^{(1)}, p^{(2)}, \dots, p^{(n)})$, $\overrightarrow{OO} = (0, 0, \dots, 0)$, and let $E^n = \{\overrightarrow{PQ} = (q^{(1)} - p^{(1)}, q^{(2)} - p^{(2)}, \dots, q^{(n)} - p^{(n)}) \forall P, Q \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$. This is an n -dimensional vector space over \mathbb{R} . There is a one-to-one onto mapping between the point $(a^{(1)}, a^{(2)}, \dots, a^{(n)})$ on \mathbb{R}^n and the level 1 fuzzy point $(a^{(1)}, a^{(2)}, \dots, a^{(n)})_1$ on $F_p^n(1)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \rho : (a^{(1)}, a^{(2)}, \dots, a^{(n)}) \in \mathbb{R}^n &\longleftrightarrow \rho(a^{(1)}, a^{(2)}, \dots, a^{(n)}) \\ &= (a^{(1)}, a^{(2)}, \dots, a^{(n)})_1 \in F_p^n(1). \end{aligned} \tag{2.17}$$

Let $\tilde{P} = (p^{(1)}, p^{(2)}, \dots, p^{(n)})_1$, $\tilde{Q} = (q^{(1)}, q^{(2)}, \dots, q^{(n)})_1 \in F_p^n(1)$. From (2.14) and (2.17), we have the following definition:

$$\overrightarrow{\tilde{P}\tilde{Q}} = (q^{(1)} - p^{(1)}, q^{(2)} - p^{(2)}, \dots, q^{(n)} - p^{(n)})_1 = \tilde{Q} \ominus \tilde{P}. \tag{2.18}$$

Let $FE^n = \{\overrightarrow{\tilde{P}\tilde{Q}} \forall \tilde{P}, \tilde{Q} \in F_p^n(1)\}$. From (2.14) and (2.18), we have the one-to-one onto mappings

$$\begin{aligned} \overrightarrow{PQ} &= (q^{(1)} - p^{(1)}, q^{(2)} - p^{(2)}, \dots, q^{(n)} - p^{(n)}) \\ &\longleftrightarrow \rho(\overrightarrow{PQ}) = (q^{(1)} - p^{(1)}, q^{(2)} - p^{(2)}, \dots, q^{(n)} - p^{(n)})_1 \\ &= \overrightarrow{\tilde{P}\tilde{Q}} \in FE^n, \\ \overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{PQ} &= (b^{(1)} + q^{(1)} - a^{(1)} - p^{(1)}, b^{(2)} + q^{(2)} - a^{(2)} - p^{(2)}, \\ &\quad \dots, b^{(n)} + q^{(n)} - a^{(n)} - p^{(n)}) \\ &\longleftrightarrow (b^{(1)} + q^{(1)} - a^{(1)} - p^{(1)}, b^{(2)} + q^{(2)} - a^{(2)} - p^{(2)}, \\ &\quad \dots, b^{(n)} + q^{(n)} - a^{(n)} - p^{(n)})_1 \\ &= \overrightarrow{\tilde{A}\tilde{B}} \oplus \overrightarrow{\tilde{P}\tilde{Q}}, \\ k \cdot \overrightarrow{PQ} &= (kq^{(1)} - kp^{(1)}, kq^{(2)} - kp^{(2)}, \dots, kq^{(n)} - kp^{(n)}) \\ &\longleftrightarrow (kq^{(1)} - kp^{(1)}, kq^{(2)} - kp^{(2)}, \dots, kq^{(n)} - kp^{(n)})_1 \\ &= k_1 \odot \overrightarrow{\tilde{P}\tilde{Q}}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.19}$$

Therefore, $FE^n = \{\overrightarrow{\tilde{P}\tilde{Q}} \forall \tilde{P}, \tilde{Q} \in F_p^n(1)\}$ is a vector space over $F_p^n(1)$ in fuzzy sense.

In [4], we further extend FE^n as follows. For $\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y} \in F_c$, define $\overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}} = \tilde{Y} \ominus \tilde{X}$ and call $\overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}}$ a fuzzy vector. Let $SFR = \{\overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}} \forall \tilde{X}, \tilde{Y} \in F_c\}$. In [4], we proved that the following properties hold.

PROPERTY 2.7. For $\overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}}, \overrightarrow{\tilde{W}\tilde{Z}} \in \text{SFR}$,

$$\overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}} = \overrightarrow{\tilde{W}\tilde{Z}} \iff \tilde{Y} \ominus \tilde{X} = \tilde{Z} \ominus \tilde{W}. \tag{2.20}$$

PROPERTY 2.8. For $\overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}}, \overrightarrow{\tilde{W}\tilde{Z}} \in \text{SFR}$, $k \in \mathbb{R}$,

- (1°) $\overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}} \oplus \overrightarrow{\tilde{W}\tilde{Z}} = \overrightarrow{\tilde{A}\tilde{B}}$, where $\tilde{A} = \tilde{X} \oplus \tilde{W}$, $\tilde{B} = \tilde{Y} \oplus \tilde{Z}$;
- (2°) $k_1 \circ \overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}} = \overrightarrow{\tilde{C}\tilde{D}}$, where $\tilde{C} = k_1 \circ \tilde{X}$, $\tilde{D} = k_1 \circ \tilde{Y}$.

PROPERTY 2.9. For $\overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}}, \overrightarrow{\tilde{W}\tilde{Z}}, \overrightarrow{\tilde{U}\tilde{V}} \in \text{SFR}$, $k, t \in \mathbb{R}$,

- (1°) $\overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}} \oplus \overrightarrow{\tilde{W}\tilde{Z}} = \overrightarrow{\tilde{W}\tilde{Z}} \oplus \overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}}$;
- (2°) $(\overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}} \oplus \overrightarrow{\tilde{W}\tilde{Z}}) \oplus \overrightarrow{\tilde{U}\tilde{V}} = \overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}} \oplus (\overrightarrow{\tilde{W}\tilde{Z}} \oplus \overrightarrow{\tilde{U}\tilde{V}})$;
- (3°) $\overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}} \oplus \overrightarrow{\tilde{O}\tilde{O}} = \overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}}$, where $\overrightarrow{\tilde{O}\tilde{O}} = (0, 0, \dots, 0)_1$;
- (4°) $k_1 \circ (t_1 \circ \overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}}) = (kt)_1 \circ \overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}}$;
- (5°) $k_1 \circ (\overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}} \oplus \overrightarrow{\tilde{W}\tilde{Z}}) = (k_1 \circ \overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}}) \oplus (k_1 \circ \overrightarrow{\tilde{W}\tilde{Z}})$;
- (6°) $1 \circ \overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}} = \overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}}$.

In SFR, the following do not hold.

- (7°) For $\overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}} \in \text{SFR}$ and $\overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}} \neq \overrightarrow{\tilde{O}\tilde{O}}$, there exists $\overrightarrow{\tilde{W}\tilde{Z}} (\neq \overrightarrow{\tilde{O}\tilde{O}}) \in \text{SFR}$ such that $\overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}} \oplus \overrightarrow{\tilde{W}\tilde{Z}} = \overrightarrow{\tilde{O}\tilde{O}}$;
- (8°) $(k+t)_1 \circ \overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}} = (k_1 \circ \overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}}) \oplus (t_1 \circ \overrightarrow{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}})$.

From [Property 2.9](#), we know that SFR satisfies all the conditions that the vector space required, except (7°) and (8°). Therefore, in [\[4\]](#), we called SFR a pseudo-fuzzy vector space over $F_p^1(1)$.

EXAMPLE 2.10 (a moving station carrying a missile on it). This car left from point $P = (2, 5)$ passing through point $Q = (4, 6)$, arrived at $R = (8, 9)$, and aiming at the target $Z = (100, 200)$. As we can see, the missile usually falls in the vicinity of Z , say \tilde{Z} , instead of hitting at Z exactly.

Let the membership function of \tilde{Z} be

$$\mu_{\tilde{Z}}(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{25} (25 - (x^{(1)} - 100)^2 - (x^{(2)} - 200)^2), & \text{if } (x^{(1)} - 100)^2 + (x^{(2)} - 200)^2 \leq 25, \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases} \tag{2.21}$$

Consider the level 1 fuzzy points $\tilde{P} = (2, 5)_1$, $\tilde{Q} = (4, 6)_1$, and $\tilde{R} = (8, 9)_1$. We have the fuzzy routes

$$\tilde{P} \rightarrow \tilde{Q} \rightarrow \tilde{R} \rightarrow \tilde{Z} \tag{2.22}$$

and hence the fuzzy vectors $\overrightarrow{\tilde{P}\tilde{Q}} = (2, 1)_1$, $\overrightarrow{\tilde{Q}\tilde{R}} = (4, 3)_1$, $\overrightarrow{\tilde{R}\tilde{Z}} = \tilde{Z} \ominus \tilde{R}$, and $\overrightarrow{\tilde{P}\tilde{Z}} = \tilde{Z} \ominus \tilde{P}$. By extension theory, the membership function of $\overrightarrow{\tilde{R}\tilde{Z}} = \tilde{Z} \ominus \tilde{R}$ is

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{\overrightarrow{\tilde{R}\tilde{Z}}}(z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}) &= \sup_{z^{(j)}=v^{(j)}-u^{(j)}, j=1,2} \mu_{\tilde{R}}(u^{(1)}, u^{(2)}) \wedge \mu_{\tilde{Z}}(v^{(1)}, v^{(2)}) \\ &= \mu_{\tilde{Z}}(z^{(1)} + 8, z^{(2)} + 9) \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{25} (25 - (z^{(1)} - 92)^2 - (z^{(2)} - 191)^2), & \\ \text{if } (z^{(1)} - 92)^2 + (z^{(2)} - 191)^2 \leq 25, & \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases} \end{aligned} \tag{2.23}$$

Similarly,

$$\mu_{\overrightarrow{\tilde{P}\tilde{Z}}}(z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{25} (25 - (z^{(1)} - 98)^2 - (z^{(2)} - 195)^2), & \\ \text{if } (z^{(1)} - 98)^2 + (z^{(2)} - 195)^2 \leq 25, & \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases} \tag{2.24}$$

Let $S = (98, 202)$. It is clear that $(98, 202)$ is within the circle of center $(100, 200)$ and radius 5. The crisp vector which starts with the point $P = (2, 5)$ and ends at $S = (98, 202)$ is $\overrightarrow{PS} = (96, 197)$. Its grade of membership in $\overrightarrow{\tilde{P}\tilde{Z}}$ from (2.23) is $\mu_{\overrightarrow{\tilde{P}\tilde{Z}}}(96, 197) = (1/25)(25 - 2^2 - 2^2) = 0.68$, that is, the grade of membership of the fuzzy vector $\overrightarrow{\tilde{P}\tilde{Z}}$ for the crisp vector \overrightarrow{PS} is 0.68. Let the aim be $T = (100, 200)$. The crisp vector beginning at $P = (2, 5)$ and aiming at $T = (100, 200)$ is $\overrightarrow{PT} = (98, 195)$. Its grade of membership in $\overrightarrow{\tilde{P}\tilde{Z}}$, again from (2.23), is $\mu_{\overrightarrow{\tilde{P}\tilde{Z}}}(98, 195) = (1/25)(25 - 0^2 - 0^2) = 1$, that is, the grade of membership of the fuzzy vector $\overrightarrow{\tilde{P}\tilde{Z}}$ for the crisp vector \overrightarrow{PT} is 1.

EXAMPLE 2.11. In a shooting practice, let $C((10, 30), 1 + 1/m) = \{(x, y) \mid (x - 10)^2 + (y - 30)^2 \leq (1 + 1/m)^2\}$, always shooting at $(1, 2)$ and aiming at $Z = (10, 30)$. At the first time, the bullet was falling in $C((10, 30), 2 (= 1 + 1))$. At the second time, it was falling in $C((10, 30), 1 + 1/2)$. At the m th time, it was falling in $C((10, 30), 1 + 1/m)$. In other words, the bullet was more and more closer to $C((10, 30), 1)$, that is, more and more accurate.

Let the fuzzy aim be \tilde{Z}_m , its membership function is

$$\mu_{\tilde{Z}_m} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{(1 + 1/m)^2} \left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{m}\right)^2 - (x - 10)^2 - (y - 30)^2 \right], & \\ \text{if } (x - 10)^2 + (y - 30)^2 \leq \left(1 + \frac{1}{m}\right)^2, & \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases} \tag{2.25}$$

Thus, we have the m th fuzzy vector $\overrightarrow{\tilde{Q}\tilde{Z}_m}$, $m = 1, 2, \dots$, where $\tilde{Q} = (1, 2)_1$. In the next section, we will discuss the convergency of the fuzzy vectors in SFR and find out the limit fuzzy vector $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \overrightarrow{\tilde{Q}\tilde{Z}_m}$.

3. The convergency of the vectors in SFR. Before we try to investigate the convergency of the fuzzy vectors in SFR, we first define the following open set in \mathbb{R}^n and discuss some properties (Properties 3.4, 3.7, 3.10, 3.11, 3.12, 3.13, 3.14, 3.15, 3.16, and 3.17). Let

$$\begin{aligned}
 &O((a^{(1,1)}, a^{(1,2)}), \dots, (a^{(n,1)}, a^{(n,2)})) \\
 &= \{(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \mid a^{(j,1)} < x^{(j)} < a^{(j,2)}, j = 1, 2, \dots, n\}.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.1}$$

From (2.8), (2.9), and (2.10), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &O((a^{(1,1)}, a^{(1,2)}), \dots, (a^{(n,1)}, a^{(n,2)})) (+) O((b^{(1,1)}, b^{(1,2)}), \dots, (b^{(n,1)}, b^{(n,2)})) \\
 &= \{(z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}, \dots, z^{(n)}) \mid z^{(j)} = x^{(j)} + y^{(j)}, a^{(j,1)} < x^{(j)} < a^{(j,2)}, \\
 &\quad b^{(j,1)} < y^{(j)} < b^{(j,2)}, j = 1, 2, \dots, n\}
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= O((a^{(1,1)} + b^{(1,1)}, a^{(1,2)} + b^{(1,2)}), \dots, (a^{(n,1)} + b^{(n,1)}, a^{(n,2)} + b^{(n,2)})), \\
 &O((a^{(1,1)}, a^{(1,2)}), \dots, (a^{(n,1)}, a^{(n,2)})) (-) O((b^{(1,1)}, b^{(1,2)}), \dots, (b^{(n,1)}, b^{(n,2)})) \\
 &= \{(z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}, \dots, z^{(n)}) \mid z^{(j)} = x^{(j)} - y^{(j)}, a^{(j,1)} < x^{(j)} < a^{(j,2)}, \\
 &\quad b^{(j,1)} < y^{(j)} < b^{(j,2)}, j = 1, 2, \dots, n\} \\
 &= O((a^{(1,1)} - b^{(1,1)}, a^{(1,2)} - b^{(1,2)}), \dots, (a^{(n,1)} - b^{(n,1)}, a^{(n,2)} - b^{(n,2)})).
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.3}$$

If $k > 0$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &k(\cdot)O((a^{(1,1)}, a^{(1,2)}), \dots, (a^{(n,1)}, a^{(n,2)})) \\
 &= \{(z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}, \dots, z^{(n)}) \mid z^{(j)} = kx^{(j)}, a^{(j,1)} < x^{(j)} < a^{(j,2)}, j = 1, 2, \dots, n\} \\
 &= O((ka^{(1,1)}, ka^{(1,2)}), \dots, (ka^{(n,1)}, ka^{(n,2)})).
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.4}$$

If $k < 0$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &k(\cdot)O((a^{(1,1)}, a^{(1,2)}), \dots, (a^{(n,1)}, a^{(n,2)})) \\
 &= \{(z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}, \dots, z^{(n)}) \mid z^{(j)} = kx^{(j)}, a^{(j,1)} < x^{(j)} < a^{(j,2)}, j = 1, 2, \dots, n\} \\
 &= O((ka^{(1,2)}, ka^{(1,1)}), \dots, (ka^{(n,2)}, ka^{(n,1)})).
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.5}$$

Let $\mathcal{B} = \{O((a^{(1,1)}, a^{(1,2)}), \dots, (a^{(n,1)}, a^{(n,2)}))_\alpha \mid \forall a^{(j,1)} < a^{(j,2)}, a^{(j,1)}, a^{(j,2)} \in \mathbb{R}, j = 1, 2, \dots, n; 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1\}$.

Let \mathcal{B}^* be the family of fuzzy sets in \mathcal{B} or any arbitrary unions of these fuzzy sets.

REMARK 3.1. Any intersection of two fuzzy sets in \mathcal{B} belongs to \mathcal{B} , and when two fuzzy sets in \mathcal{B} have no intersection, we call their intersection \emptyset .

From (2.3), let $F = F_p^n \cup F_c \cup \mathcal{B}^*$. In order to consider the problem of convergency, we first consider the topology for F .

DEFINITION 3.2. $\tilde{Q} \in F$ is an open fuzzy set if and only if for each $(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)})_\alpha \subset \tilde{Q}$, there exists $\tilde{O} \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)})_\alpha \subset \tilde{O} \subset \tilde{Q}$.

Let T_F be the family of all open fuzzy sets satisfying **Definition 3.2**. Obviously, $\mathcal{B}^* \subset T_F$.

DEFINITION 3.3 (Chang [1]). T is a family of fuzzy sets in the space X satisfying the following:

- (1°) $\emptyset, X \in T$,
- (2°) $\tilde{A}, \tilde{B} \in T$, then $\tilde{A} \cap \tilde{B} \in T$,
- (3°) $\tilde{A}_j \in T, j \in I$ (any index set), then $\bigcup_{j \in I} \tilde{A}_j \in T$.

T is called a fuzzy topology for X and (X, T) is called a fuzzy topological space (abbreviated as FTS).

PROPERTY 3.4. T_F is a fuzzy topology for \mathbb{R}^n , (\mathbb{R}^n, T_F) are fuzzy topological sets in \mathbb{R}^n that are restricted in F .

PROOF. (1°) It is obvious that $\mathbb{R}^n \in T_F$. **Definition 3.3**(1°) is fulfilled.

(2°) For $\tilde{D}, \tilde{E} \in T_F$ and $(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)})_\alpha \subset \tilde{D} \cap \tilde{E}$, we have $(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)})_\alpha \subset \tilde{D}$ and $(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)})_\alpha \subset \tilde{E}$. From **Definition 3.2**, there exist $\tilde{I}, \tilde{J} \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)})_\alpha \subset \tilde{I} \subset \tilde{D}$ and $(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)})_\alpha \subset \tilde{J} \subset \tilde{E}$. Therefore, $(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)})_\alpha \subset \tilde{I} \cap \tilde{J}$. Hence, $\tilde{I} \cap \tilde{J} \subset \tilde{D} \cap \tilde{E}$. Thus, $\tilde{D} \cap \tilde{E} \in T_F$. **Definition 3.3**(2°) is fulfilled.

(3°) For $\tilde{D}_j \in T_F, j \in I$, and each $(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)})_\alpha \subset \bigcup_{j \in I} \tilde{D}_j$, there exists $m \in I$ such that $(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)})_\alpha \subset \tilde{D}_m$. By **Definition 3.2**, there is a $\tilde{J} \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)})_\alpha \subset \tilde{J} \subset \tilde{D}_m \subset \bigcup_{j \in I} \tilde{D}_j \subset T_F$. Thus, **Definition 3.3**(3°) is fulfilled. \square

Hence, from **Definition 3.3**, T_F is a fuzzy topology for \mathbb{R}^n and (\mathbb{R}^n, T_F) is a fuzzy topological space, that is, if we set $X = \mathbb{R}^n, T = T_F$ in **Definition 3.3**, then the definition holds. Therefore, **Definitions 3.5, 3.6** and **Property 3.7** can all be applied.

DEFINITION 3.5 (Chang [1, Definition 2.3]). A fuzzy set \tilde{U} in an FTS (X, T) is a neighborhood of a fuzzy set \tilde{A} if and only if there exists a fuzzy set $\tilde{O} \in T$ such that $\tilde{A} \subset \tilde{O} \subset \tilde{U}$.

DEFINITION 3.6 (Chang [1, Definition 3]). If a sequence of fuzzy sets $\{\tilde{A}_n, n = 1, 2, \dots\}$ is in an FTS (X, T) , then this sequence converges to a fuzzy set \tilde{A} if and only if it is eventually contained in each neighborhood of \tilde{A} (i.e., if \tilde{B} is any neighborhood of \tilde{A} , there is a positive integer m such that whenever $n \geq m, \tilde{A}_n \subset \tilde{B}$).

PROPERTY 3.7. $\{\tilde{A}_n\}$ are increasing fuzzy sets, $\tilde{A}_1 \subset \tilde{A}_2 \subset \dots \subset \tilde{A}$, and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_{\tilde{A}_n}(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) = \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \tag{3.6}$$

for all $(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Then the sequence $\{\tilde{A}_n, n = 1, 2, \dots\}$ converges to \tilde{A} , denoted by $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{A}_n = \tilde{A}$.

PROOF. The proof follows from **Definition 3.6** easily. \square

DEFINITION 3.8. $\bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} O((a^{(1,1)}(\alpha), a^{(1,2)}(\alpha)), \dots, (a^{(n,1)}(\alpha), a^{(n,2)}(\alpha)))_{\alpha} (\in T_F)$ is a neighborhood of $\tilde{D} = \bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} D(\alpha)_{\alpha} \in F_c$ if and only if for each $\alpha \in [0, 1]$, there exists $O((a^{(1,1)}(\alpha), a^{(1,2)}(\alpha)), \dots, (a^{(n,1)}(\alpha), a^{(n,2)}(\alpha)))_{\alpha} \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $D(\alpha)_{\alpha} \subset O((a^{(1,1)}(\alpha), a^{(1,2)}(\alpha)), \dots, (a^{(n,1)}(\alpha), a^{(n,2)}(\alpha)))_{\alpha}$.

DEFINITION 3.9. In F_c , the sequence of fuzzy sets $\tilde{D}_k = \bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} D_k(\alpha)_{\alpha}, k = 1, 2, \dots$, converges to $\tilde{D} = \bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} D(\alpha)_{\alpha}, k = 1, 2, \dots (\in F_{\alpha})$ if and only if for each neighborhood $\bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} O((a^{(1,1)}(\alpha), a^{(1,2)}(\alpha)), \dots, (a^{(n,1)}(\alpha), a^{(n,2)}(\alpha)))_{\alpha}$ of \tilde{D} , there exists a natural number m such that whenever $k \geq m, D_k(\alpha)_{\alpha} \subset O((a^{(1,1)}(\alpha), a^{(1,2)}(\alpha)), \dots, (a^{(n,1)}(\alpha), a^{(n,2)}(\alpha)))_{\alpha}$, denoted by $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{D}_k = \tilde{D}$.

Since $D \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ and $D_{\alpha} (\in FD^*)$ is a one-to-one onto mapping, from Definition 3.9, we can get the following property.

PROPERTY 3.10. In F_c , the sequence of fuzzy sets $\tilde{D}_k = \bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} D_k(\alpha)_{\alpha}, k = 1, 2, \dots$, converges to $\tilde{D} = \bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} D(\alpha)_{\alpha}$ if and only if for each $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ and every neighborhood $O((a^{(1,1)}, a^{(1,2)}), \dots, (a^{(n,1)}, a^{(n,2)}))_{\alpha}$ of $D(\alpha)_{\alpha}$, there exists a natural number m such that whenever $k \geq m, D_k(\alpha)_{\alpha} \subset O((a^{(1,1)}, a^{(1,2)}), \dots, (a^{(n,1)}, a^{(n,2)}))_{\alpha}$ if and only if for each $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ and every neighborhood $O((a^{(1,1)}, a^{(1,2)}), \dots, (a^{(n,1)}, a^{(n,2)}))_{\alpha}$ of $D(\alpha)$, there exists m such that whenever $k \geq m, D_k(\alpha)_{\alpha} \subset O((a^{(1,1)}, a^{(1,2)}), \dots, (a^{(n,1)}, a^{(n,2)}))_{\alpha}$.

The convergency of fuzzy vectors needs the following property.

PROPERTY 3.11. For each $\alpha \in [0, 1]$, the α -cuts $D_k(\alpha), E_k(\alpha), k = 1, 2, \dots, m$, of \tilde{D}_k, \tilde{E}_k in F_c satisfy the following:

- (1°) $(D_k(\alpha)(+)E_k(\alpha))_{\alpha} = D_k(\alpha)_{\alpha} \oplus E_k(\alpha)_{\alpha}$,
- (2°) $(D_k(\alpha)(-)E_k(\alpha))_{\alpha} = D_k(\alpha)_{\alpha} \ominus E_k(\alpha)_{\alpha}$,
- (3°) each α -cut of $\bigcup_{k=1}^m [\tilde{D}_k \oplus \tilde{E}_k]$ is $\bigcup_{k=1}^m [\tilde{D}_k(\alpha)(+)\tilde{E}_k(\alpha)]$,
- (3°-1) $(\bigcup_{k=1}^m (D_k(\alpha)(+)E_k(\alpha)))_{\alpha} = \bigcup_{k=1}^m (D_k(\alpha)(+)E_k(\alpha))_{\alpha} = \bigcup_{k=1}^m (D_k(\alpha)_{\alpha} \oplus E_k(\alpha)_{\alpha}) = (\bigcup_{k=1}^m D_k(\alpha)_{\alpha}) \oplus (\bigcup_{k=1}^m E_k(\alpha)_{\alpha})$,
- (3°-2) $\bigcup_{k=1}^m (\tilde{D}_k \oplus \tilde{E}_k) = (\bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{D}_k) \oplus (\bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{E}_k)$,
- (4°) the α -cut of $\bigcup_{k=1}^m (\tilde{D}_k \ominus \tilde{E}_k)$ is $\bigcup_{k=1}^m [D_k(\alpha)(-)E_k(\alpha)]$,
- (4°-1) $(\bigcup_{k=1}^m (D_k(\alpha)(-)E_k(\alpha)))_{\alpha} = \bigcup_{k=1}^m (D_k(\alpha)(-)E_k(\alpha))_{\alpha} = \bigcup_{k=1}^m (D_k(\alpha)_{\alpha} \ominus E_k(\alpha)_{\alpha}) = (\bigcup_{k=1}^m D_k(\alpha)_{\alpha}) \ominus (\bigcup_{k=1}^m E_k(\alpha)_{\alpha})$,
- (4°-2) $\bigcup_{k=1}^m (\tilde{D}_k \ominus \tilde{E}_k) = (\bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{D}_k) \ominus (\bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{E}_k)$.

PROOF. By extension principle (1°)

$$\begin{aligned} & \mu_{D_k(\alpha)_{\alpha} \oplus E_k(\alpha)_{\alpha}}(z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}, \dots, z^{(n)}) \\ &= \sup_{\substack{z^{(j)} = x^{(j)} + y^{(j)} \\ j=1, 2, \dots, n}} \mu_{D_k(\alpha)_{\alpha}}(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \\ & \quad \wedge \mu_{E_k(\alpha)_{\alpha}}(y^{(1)}, y^{(2)}, \dots, y^{(n)}) \\ &= \sup_{(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)})} \mu_{D_k(\alpha)_{\alpha}}(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \\ & \quad \wedge \mu_{E_k(\alpha)_{\alpha}}(z^{(1)} - x^{(1)}, z^{(2)} - x^{(2)}, \dots, z^{(n)} - x^{(n)}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \alpha, \quad \text{if } (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \in D_k(\alpha), \\
 &\quad (z^{(1)} - x^{(1)}, z^{(2)} - x^{(2)}, \dots, z^{(n)} - x^{(n)}) \in E_k(\alpha), \\
 &= \alpha, \quad \text{if } (z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}, \dots, z^{(n)}) \in D_k(\alpha)(+)E_k(\alpha), \\
 &= \mu_{(D_k(\alpha)+E_k(\alpha))\alpha}(z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}, \dots, z^{(n)}) \quad \forall (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \in \mathbb{R}^n.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.7}$$

(2°) The proof is similar to that of (1°).

(3°) Let $\tilde{S}_k = \tilde{D}_k \oplus \tilde{E}_k$; from (2.11), we have

$$\bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{S}_k = \bigcup_{k=1}^m \bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} (D_k(\alpha)(+)E_k(\alpha))_\alpha = \bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} \bigcup_{k=1}^m (D_k(\alpha)(+)E_k(\alpha))_\alpha.
 \tag{3.8}$$

Therefore, the α -cut of $\bigcup_{k=1}^m (\tilde{D}_k \oplus \tilde{E}_k) = \bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{S}_k$ is $\bigcup_{k=1}^m S_k(\alpha) = \bigcup_{k=1}^m (D_k(\alpha)(+)E_k(\alpha))_\alpha$.

(3°-1) For each $\alpha \in [0, 1]$, the subset $\bigcup_{k=1}^m S_k(\alpha)$ of \mathbb{R}^n corresponds to the fuzzy set $\bigcup_{k=1}^m S_k(\alpha)_\alpha = \bigcup_{k=1}^m (D_k(\alpha)(+)E_k(\alpha))_\alpha$. We first prove

$$\left(\bigcup_{k=1}^m S_k(\alpha) \right)_\alpha = \bigcup_{k=1}^m S_k(\alpha)_\alpha.
 \tag{3.9}$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\mu_{\bigcup_{k=1}^m S_k(\alpha)_\alpha}(z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}, \dots, z^{(n)}) \\
 &= \bigvee_{k=1}^m \mu_{S_k(\alpha)_\alpha}(z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}, \dots, z^{(n)}) \\
 &= \alpha, \quad \text{if } (z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}, \dots, z^{(n)}) \in S_k(\alpha) \text{ for some } k \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}, \\
 &= \alpha, \quad \text{if } (z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}, \dots, z^{(n)}) \in \bigcup_{k=1}^m S_k(\alpha), \\
 &= \mu_{(\bigcup_{k=1}^m S_k(\alpha))_\alpha}(z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}, \dots, z^{(n)}) \quad \forall (z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}, \dots, z^{(n)}) \in \mathbb{R}^n.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.10}$$

Therefore, $(\bigcup_{k=1}^m S_k(\alpha))_\alpha = \bigcup_{k=1}^m S_k(\alpha)_\alpha$. Hence

$$\left(\bigcup_{k=1}^m (D_k(\alpha)(+)E_k(\alpha)) \right)_\alpha = \bigcup_{k=1}^m (D_k(\alpha)(+)E_k(\alpha))_\alpha.
 \tag{3.11}$$

For each $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ and each k , (1°) holds. Therefore,

$$\bigcup_{k=1}^m (D_k(\alpha)(+)E_k(\alpha))_\alpha = \bigcup_{k=1}^m (D_k(\alpha)_\alpha \oplus E_k(\alpha)_\alpha).
 \tag{3.12}$$

Finally, we will prove

$$\bigcup_{k=1}^m (D_k(\alpha)_\alpha \oplus E_k(\alpha)_\alpha) = \bigcup_{k=1}^m (D_k(\alpha)_\alpha) \oplus \bigcup_{k=1}^m (E_k(\alpha)_\alpha).
 \tag{3.13}$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \mu_{\bigcup_{k=1}^m (D_k(\alpha)_\alpha \oplus E_k(\alpha)_\alpha)}(z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}, \dots, z^{(n)}) \\
 &= \bigvee_{k=1}^m \mu_{D_k(\alpha)_\alpha \oplus E_k(\alpha)_\alpha}(z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}, \dots, z^{(n)}) \\
 &= \bigvee_{k=1}^m \sup_{z^{(j)} = x^{(j)} + y^{(j)} \atop j=1,2,\dots,n} \mu_{D_k(\alpha)_\alpha}(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \\
 &\quad \wedge \mu_{E_k(\alpha)_\alpha}(y^{(1)}, y^{(2)}, \dots, y^{(n)}) \\
 &= \bigvee_{k=1}^m \bigvee_{(y^{(1)}, y^{(2)}, \dots, y^{(n)})} [\mu_{D_k(\alpha)_\alpha}(z^{(1)} - y^{(1)}, z^{(2)} - y^{(2)}, \dots, z^{(n)} - y^{(n)}) \\
 &\quad \wedge \mu_{E_k(\alpha)_\alpha}(y^{(1)}, y^{(2)}, \dots, y^{(n)})] \\
 &= \bigvee_{(y^{(1)}, y^{(2)}, \dots, y^{(n)})} [\mu_{\bigcup_{k=1}^m D_k(\alpha)_\alpha}(z^{(1)} - y^{(1)}, z^{(2)} - y^{(2)}, \dots, z^{(n)} - y^{(n)}) \\
 &\quad \wedge \mu_{\bigcup_{k=1}^m E_k(\alpha)_\alpha}(y^{(1)}, y^{(2)}, \dots, y^{(n)})] \\
 &= \mu_{(\bigcup_{k=1}^m D_k(\alpha)_\alpha) \oplus (\bigcup_{k=1}^m E_k(\alpha)_\alpha)}(z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}, \dots, z^{(n)}) \quad \forall (z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}, \dots, z^{(n)}) \in \mathbb{R}^n.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.14}$$

(3°-2) By decomposition theorem and (3°-1), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bigcup_{k=1}^m (\tilde{D}_k \oplus \tilde{E}_k) &= \bigcup_{k=1}^m \bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} (D_k(\alpha)(+)E_k(\alpha))_\alpha \\
 &= \bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} \bigcup_{k=1}^m (D_k(\alpha)(+)E_k(\alpha))_\alpha \\
 &= \bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} \left[\left(\bigcup_{k=1}^m D_k(\alpha)_\alpha \right) \oplus \left(\bigcup_{k=1}^m E_k(\alpha)_\alpha \right) \right].
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.15}$$

Let $\tilde{A} = \bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{D}_k$, $\tilde{B} = \bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{E}_k$. From (3.9),

$$A(\alpha)_\alpha = \bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{D}_k(\alpha)_\alpha, \quad B(\alpha)_\alpha = \bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{E}_k(\alpha)_\alpha, \quad \forall \alpha \in [0,1],
 \tag{3.16}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{A} \oplus \tilde{B} &= \bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} [A(\alpha)(+)B(\alpha)]_\alpha = \bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} [A(\alpha)_\alpha \oplus B(\alpha)_\alpha] \\
 &= \bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} \left[\left(\bigcup_{k=1}^m D_k(\alpha)_\alpha \right) \oplus \left(\bigcup_{k=1}^m E_k(\alpha)_\alpha \right) \right].
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.17}$$

From (3.15), (3.17), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \bigcup_{k=1}^m (\tilde{D}_k \oplus \tilde{E}_k) &= \bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} \left[\left(\bigcup_{k=1}^m D_k(\alpha)_\alpha \right) \oplus \left(\bigcup_{k=1}^m E_k(\alpha)_\alpha \right) \right] \\ &= \left(\bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{D}_k \right) \oplus \left(\bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{E}_k \right). \end{aligned} \tag{3.18}$$

Properties (4°), (4°-1), and (4°-2) can be proved similarly as (3°), (3°-1), and (3°-2). \square

PROPERTY 3.12. $\tilde{D}_k \in F_c, k = 1, 2, \dots, m$, and $q \neq 0$; then

- (1°) the α -cut of $\bigcup_{k=1}^m (q_1 \odot \tilde{D}_k)$ is $\bigcup_{k=1}^m (q(\cdot)D_k(\alpha))$,
- (2°) $\bigcup_{k=1}^m (q(\odot)D_k(\alpha))_\alpha = q_1 \odot (\bigcup_{k=1}^m D_k(\alpha)_\alpha)$,
- (3°) $\bigcup_{k=1}^m (q_1 \odot \tilde{D}_k) = q_1 \odot (\bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{D}_k)$.

PROOF. The proof goes on the lines of the proof of Property 3.11. \square

PROPERTY 3.13. $\tilde{D}_m, \tilde{E}_m, \tilde{D}, \tilde{E} \in F_c, m = 1, 2, \dots$, and $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{D}_m = \tilde{D}, \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{E}_m = \tilde{E}$, then

- (1°) $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} (\tilde{D}_m \oplus \tilde{E}_m) = \tilde{D} \oplus \tilde{E} = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} (\tilde{D}_m) \oplus \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} (\tilde{E}_m)$,
- (2°) $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} (\tilde{D}_m \ominus \tilde{E}_m) = \tilde{D} \ominus \tilde{E} = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} (\tilde{D}_m) \ominus \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} (\tilde{E}_m)$,
- (3°) $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} (k_1 \odot \tilde{D}_m) = k_1 \odot \tilde{D} = k_1 \odot (\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} (\tilde{D}_m)), k \neq 0$.

PROOF. (1°) Since $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{D}_m = \tilde{D}, \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{E}_m = \tilde{E}$, by Property 3.10, for each $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ and every neighborhood $O((a^{(1,1)}, a^{(1,2)}), \dots, (a^{(n,1)}, a^{(n,2)}))$ of $D(\alpha)$, there exists a natural number $m^{(1)}$ such that when $k \geq m^{(1)}, D_k(\alpha) \subset O((a^{(1,1)}, a^{(1,2)}), \dots, (a^{(n,1)}, a^{(n,2)}))$. Also, for every neighborhood $O((b^{(1,1)}, b^{(1,2)}), \dots, (b^{(n,1)}, b^{(n,2)}))$ of $E(\alpha)$, there exists a natural number $m^{(2)}$ such that when $k \geq m^{(2)}, E_k(\alpha) \subset O((b^{(1,1)}, b^{(1,2)}), \dots, (b^{(n,1)}, b^{(n,2)}))$.

Let $m = \max(m^{(1)}, m^{(2)})$. Then, for each $\alpha \in [0, 1]$, when $k \geq m$, by (3.2), we have $D_k(\alpha)(+)E_k(\alpha) \subset O((a^{(1,1)} + b^{(1,1)}, a^{(1,2)} + b^{(1,2)}), \dots, (a^{(n,1)} + b^{(n,1)}, a^{(n,2)} + b^{(n,2)})) (\in T_F)$, and $O((a^{(1,1)} + b^{(1,1)}, a^{(1,2)} + b^{(1,2)}), \dots, (a^{(n,1)} + b^{(n,1)}, a^{(n,2)} + b^{(n,2)}))$ is the neighborhood of $D(\alpha)(+)E(\alpha)$. By decomposition theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{D}_k \oplus \tilde{E}_k &= \bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} [D_k(\alpha) + E_k(\alpha)]_\alpha, \\ \tilde{D} \oplus \tilde{E} &= \bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} [D(\alpha) + E(\alpha)]_\alpha. \end{aligned} \tag{3.19}$$

Hence, by Property 3.10, we have $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{D}_m \oplus \tilde{E}_m = \tilde{D} \oplus \tilde{E}$.

Properties (2°) and (3°) can be proved the same way as (1°). \square

PROPERTY 3.14. $\tilde{D}_k, \tilde{E}_k, \tilde{D}, \tilde{E} \in F_c, k = 1, 2, \dots$, and

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \mu_{\bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{D}_k} (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) &= \mu_{\tilde{D}} (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}), \\ \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \mu_{\bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{E}_k} (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) &= \mu_{\tilde{E}} (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \quad \forall (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \in \mathbb{R}^n, \end{aligned} \tag{3.20}$$

$$\mu_{\bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{D}_k} \subset \tilde{D}, \quad \mu_{\bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{E}_k} \subset \tilde{E}, \quad \forall m = 1, 2, \dots,$$

then

- (1°) $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \bigcup_{k=1}^m (\tilde{D}_k \oplus \tilde{E}_k) = \tilde{D} \oplus \tilde{E} = (\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{D}_k) \oplus (\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{E}_k),$
- (2°) $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \bigcup_{k=1}^m (\tilde{D}_k \ominus \tilde{E}_k) = \tilde{D} \ominus \tilde{E} = (\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{D}_k) \ominus (\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{E}_k),$
- (3°) when $q \neq 0, \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \bigcup_{k=1}^m (q_1 \odot \tilde{D}_k) = q_1 \odot \tilde{D}.$

PROOF. (1°) Since $\tilde{D}_1 \subset \tilde{D}_1 \cup \tilde{D}_2 \subset \dots \subset \bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{D}_k \subset \dots \subseteq \tilde{D}$ and

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \mu_{\bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{D}_k} (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) = \mu_{\tilde{D}} (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \tag{3.21}$$

for all $(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \in \mathbb{R}^n$, hence, by [Property 3.7](#), we have $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{D}_k = \tilde{D}$. Similarly, $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{E}_k = \tilde{E}$. By [Property 3.11](#)(3°-2),

$$\bigcup_{k=1}^m (\tilde{D}_k \oplus \tilde{E}_k) = \left(\bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{D}_k \right) \oplus \left(\bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{E}_k \right). \tag{3.22}$$

From [Property 3.13](#)(1°),

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \bigcup_{k=1}^m (\tilde{D}_k \oplus \tilde{E}_k) = \left(\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{D}_k \right) \oplus \left(\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{E}_k \right) = \tilde{D} \oplus \tilde{E}, \tag{3.23}$$

and (2°), (3°) can be proved as (1°). □

Next, we will discuss the convergency of the fuzzy vectors in SFR.

PROPERTY 3.15. For $\tilde{D}_m, \tilde{E}_m, \tilde{D}, \tilde{E} \in F_c, m = 1, 2, \dots, \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{D}_m = \tilde{D}, \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{E}_m = \tilde{E}$, then the fuzzy vectors $\tilde{E}_m \tilde{D}_m, m = 1, 2, \dots$, converge to the fuzzy vectors $\tilde{E} \tilde{D}$.

PROOF. Since $\overrightarrow{\tilde{E}_m \tilde{D}_m} = \tilde{D}_m \ominus \tilde{E}_m, \overrightarrow{\tilde{E} \tilde{D}} = \tilde{D} \ominus \tilde{E}$, then, by [Property 3.13](#)(2°),

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \overrightarrow{\tilde{E}_m \tilde{D}_m} = \tilde{D} \ominus \tilde{E} = \overrightarrow{\tilde{E} \tilde{D}}. \tag{3.24}$$

□

PROPERTY 3.16. $\tilde{D}_k, \tilde{E}_k, \tilde{D}, \tilde{E} \in F_c, k = 1, 2, \dots$; let $\tilde{Q}_m = \bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{D}_k, \tilde{S}_m = \bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{E}_k$, and let $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \mu_{\tilde{Q}_m} (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) = \mu_{\tilde{D}} (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)})$ and $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \mu_{\tilde{S}_m} (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) = \mu_{\tilde{E}} (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)})$ for all $(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)}) \in \mathbb{R}^n$, and $\tilde{Q}_m \subset \tilde{D}, \tilde{S}_m \subset \tilde{E}$.

Then the sequence of fuzzy vectors $\overrightarrow{\tilde{S}_m \tilde{Q}_m}, m = 1, 2, \dots$, converges to the fuzzy vector $\overrightarrow{\tilde{E} \tilde{D}}$.

PROOF. Similar to [Property 3.14](#), $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{D}_k = \tilde{D}$ and $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{E}_k = \tilde{E}$. By [Property 3.13](#)(2°), $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \overrightarrow{\tilde{S}_m \tilde{Q}_m} = (\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{D}_k) \ominus (\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \bigcup_{k=1}^m \tilde{E}_k) = \tilde{D} \ominus \tilde{E} = \overrightarrow{\tilde{E} \tilde{D}}$.

For convenience, we denote $(q_1^{(1)} \odot \tilde{E}_1 \tilde{D}_1) \oplus (q_1^{(2)} \odot \tilde{E}_2 \tilde{D}_2) \oplus \dots \oplus (q_1^{(r)} \odot \tilde{E}_r \tilde{D}_r)$ by $\sum_{k=1}^r \oplus (q_1^{(k)} \odot \tilde{E}_k \tilde{D}_k)$. □

PROPERTY 3.17. $\tilde{D}_{m,k}, \tilde{E}_{m,k}, \tilde{D}_k, \tilde{E}_k \in F_c, m = 1, 2, \dots, k = 1, 2, \dots, r$, and for each $k \in \{1, 2, \dots, r\}, \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{D}_{k,m} = \tilde{D}_k, \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{E}_{k,m} = \tilde{E}_k, q^k \neq 0$. The sequence of the fuzzy vectors $\sum_{k=1}^r \oplus (q_1^{(k)} \odot \overrightarrow{\tilde{E}_{m,k} \tilde{D}_{m,k}}), m = 1, 2, \dots$, converges to the fuzzy vector $\sum_{k=1}^r \oplus (q_1^{(k)} \odot \overrightarrow{\tilde{E}_k \tilde{D}_k})$.

PROOF. Since $\sum_{k=1}^r \oplus (q_1^{(k)} \odot \overline{\tilde{E}_{m,k} \tilde{D}_{m,k}}) = \sum_{k=1}^r \oplus (q_1^{(k)} \odot (\tilde{D}_{m,k} \ominus \tilde{E}_{m,k}))$, $m = 1, 2, \dots$, for each k , by [Property 3.13\(2°\)](#), $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{D}_{m,k} \ominus \tilde{E}_{m,k} = \tilde{D}_k \ominus \tilde{E}_k$. By [Property 3.13\(1°\)](#), (3°), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^r \oplus (q_1^{(k)} \odot (\tilde{D}_{m,k} \ominus \tilde{E}_{m,k})) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^r \oplus (q_1^{(k)} \odot (\tilde{D}_k \ominus \tilde{E}_k)) = \sum_{k=1}^r \oplus (q_1^{(k)} \odot \overline{\tilde{E}_k \tilde{D}_k}). \end{aligned} \tag{3.25}$$

□

EXAMPLE 3.18. Consider the fuzzy vectors $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\tilde{Q} \tilde{Z}_m}$ in [Example 2.11](#). Let

$$\mu_{\tilde{Z}}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 - (x - 10)^2 - (y - 30)^2, & \text{if } (x - 10)^2 + (y - 30)^2 \leq 1, \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases} \tag{3.26}$$

We will prove $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{Z}_m = \tilde{Z}$. Since $C((10, 30), 1 + 1/m) \subset C((10, 30), 1 + 1/(m - 1))$ and for any $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, the following holds:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{(1 + 1/m)^2} \left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{m}\right)^2 - (x - 10)^2 - (y - 30)^2 \right] \\ & \leq \frac{1}{(1 + 1/(m - 1))^2} \left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{m - 1}\right)^2 - (x - 10)^2 - (y - 30)^2 \right], \end{aligned} \tag{3.27}$$

therefore, $\mu_{\tilde{Z}_m}(x, y) \leq \mu_{\tilde{Z}_{m-1}}(x, y)$ for all $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, and hence $\tilde{Z}_1 \supset \tilde{Z}_2 \supset \dots \supset \tilde{Z}_m \supset \dots \supset \tilde{Z}$, and obviously, $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \mu_{\tilde{Z}_m}(x, y) = \mu_{\tilde{Z}}(x, y)$ for all $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$. Let \tilde{Z}'_m, \tilde{Z}' be the complement fuzzy sets of \tilde{Z}_m, \tilde{Z} , respectively. We have $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \mu_{\tilde{Z}'_m}(x, y) = \mu_{\tilde{Z}'}(x, y)$ for all $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ and $\tilde{Z}'_1 \subset \tilde{Z}'_2 \subset \dots \subset \tilde{Z}'_m \subset \dots \subset \tilde{Z}'$. By [Property 3.7](#), $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{Z} + m' = \tilde{Z}'$. Thus, $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{Z}_m = \tilde{Z}$. Therefore, from [Property 3.15](#), $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\tilde{Q} \tilde{Z}_m} = \overline{\tilde{Q} \tilde{Z}}$. Thus, the membership function of $\overline{\tilde{Q} \tilde{Z}}$ is

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{\overline{\tilde{Q} \tilde{Z}}}(x, y) &= \mu_{\tilde{Z} \ominus \tilde{Q}}(x, y) \\ &= \sup_{\substack{x = x^{(1)} - y^{(1)} \\ y = x^{(2)} - y^{(2)}}} \mu_{\tilde{Z}}(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}) \wedge \mu_{\tilde{Q}}(y^{(1)}, y^{(2)}) \\ &= \mu_{\tilde{Z}}(x + 1, y + 2) \\ &= \begin{cases} 1 - (x - 9)^2 - (y - 28)^2, & \text{if } (x - 9)^2 - (y - 28)^2 \leq 1, \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases} \end{aligned} \tag{3.28}$$

In the crisp case, starting from $Q = (1, 2)$, aiming at $Z = (10, 30)$, we could have the vector $\overline{QZ} = (9, 28)$. The grade of membership of \overline{QZ} which belongs to the fuzzy vector $\overline{\tilde{Q} \tilde{Z}}$ is $\mu_{\overline{\tilde{Q} \tilde{Z}}}(9, 28) = 1$, that is, the grade of membership function of the fuzzy vector $\overline{\tilde{P} \tilde{Z}}$ for the crisp vector \overline{PS} is 1, and the point $R = (9.5, 29.5)$ is in the circle of center $(9, 28)$ and radius 1. The crisp vector of Q to \mathbb{R} is $\overline{QR} = (8.5, 27.5)$. The grade of membership

function of $\overrightarrow{\tilde{Q}\tilde{Z}}$ is $\mu_{\overrightarrow{\tilde{Q}\tilde{Z}}}(8.5, 27.5) = 0.5$, that is, the grade of membership function of the fuzzy vector $\overrightarrow{\tilde{P}\tilde{Z}}$ for the crisp vector \overrightarrow{QR} is 0.5.

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