# 퍼지 집합 공간 위에서의 Skorokhod metric의 성질

# Some properties of the Skorokhod metric on the space of fuzzy sets

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#### **ABSTRACT**

In this paper, we investigate some properties of the Skorokhod metric on the space  $F(R^p)$  of upper semicontinuous fuzzy subsets of  $R^p$  with compact support, which include the continuity of operations, the translation invariance and convexity.

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#### 1. Introduction

The Skorokhod metric on the space D[0,1] of functions from [0,1] into the real line R which are right-continuous and have left limits was introduced to study limits theorems for stochastic processes with jumps. It turned out that the Skorokhod metric plays a key role for the convergence of probability measures on D[0,1]. Recently, Joo and Kim [6] introduced a new metric  $d_s$  on the space  $F(R^p)$  of upper-semicontinuous fuzzy sets in  $R^p$  with compact support which is similar to the Skorokhod metric on D[0,1],

and proved that  $F(R^{\flat})$  is separable and topologically complete in the metric  $d_{s}$ .

It is expected that the metric  $d_s$  will play an important role for the convergence of fuzzy random variables. Thus it seems to be important that we study several properties of the metric  $d_s$ .

In this paper, we investigate some properties of the metric  $d_s$  on the space  $F(R^{\flat})$  which include the continuity of operations, the translation invariance and convexity.

## Preliminaries

Let  $K(R^{\flat})$  denote the family of non-empty compact subsets of the Euclidean space  $R^{\flat}$ . Then the space  $K(R^{\flat})$  is metrizable by the Hausdorff metric h defined by

$$\begin{array}{rcl} h(A,B) & = & \max\{\sup_{a\in A}\inf_{b\in B}|a-b|, \\ & & \sup_{b\in B}\inf_{a\in A}|a-b|\}. \end{array}$$

A norm of  $A \in K(R^{\rho})$  is defined by  $||A|| = h(A, \{0\}) = \sup_{a \in A} |a|$ .

The linear structure on  $K(R^p)$  is defined as usual:

$$A \oplus B = \{a+b : a \in A, b \in B\},\$$
$$\lambda A = \{\lambda a : a \in A\}$$

for  $A,B \in K(\mathbb{R}^p)$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ . In particular, if p=1, the multiplication on  $K(\mathbb{R})$  can be defined as follows:

$$A \odot B = \{ab : a \in A, b \in B\}.$$

We denote by  $K_c(R^p)$  the family of all convex  $A \in K(R^p)$ .

Now let us denote by  $F(R^p)$  the family of all fuzzy sets  $\widetilde{u}: R^p \to [0,1]$  with the following properties:

- (1)  $\widetilde{u}$  is normal, i.e., there exists  $x \in \mathbb{R}^p$  such that  $\widetilde{u}(x) = 1$ ;
- (2)  $\tilde{u}$  is upper semicontinuous:
- (3) supp  $\widetilde{u} = \overline{\{x \in R^p : \widetilde{u}(x) > 0\}}$  is compact.

A fuzzy set  $\widetilde{u} \in F(R^{\flat})$  is called a fuzzy number if it is a convex fuzzy set, i.e.,

$$\widetilde{u}(\lambda x + (1-\lambda)y) \geq \min(\ \widetilde{u}(x),\ \widetilde{u}(y))$$
 for  $x,y \in R^p$  and  $\lambda \in [0,1]$ . The family of all fuzzy numbers in  $R^p$  will de denoted by  $F_c(R^p)$ .

For a fuzzy set  $\widetilde{u}$  in  $R^p$ , the  $\alpha$ -level set of  $\widetilde{u}$  is defined by

$$L_{\alpha}\widetilde{u} = \begin{cases} \{x : \widetilde{u}(x) \ge \alpha\} & \text{if } 0 \le \alpha \le 1, \\ \text{supp } \widetilde{u} & \text{if } \alpha = 0. \end{cases}$$

Then, it follows immediately that  $\widetilde{u}{\in}F(R^{\flat}) \quad \text{if and only if} \quad L_{\alpha}\widetilde{u} \in \mathit{K}(R^{\flat})$  and

 $\widetilde{u} \in F_c(R^p)$  if and only if  $L_\alpha \widetilde{u} \in K_c(R^p)$  for each  $\alpha \in [0,1]$ .

The linear structure on  $F(R^b)$  is defined as usual:

$$(\widetilde{u} \oplus \widetilde{v})(z) = \sup_{x+y=z} \min(\widetilde{u}(x), \widetilde{v}(y)),$$
$$(\lambda \widetilde{u})(z) = \begin{cases} \widetilde{u}(z/\lambda) & \text{if } \lambda \neq 0, \\ I_{\{0\}} & \text{if } \lambda = 0, \end{cases}$$

for  $\widetilde{u}$ ,  $\widetilde{v} \in F(R^p)$  and  $\lambda \in R$ , where  $I_{\{0\}}$  is the indicator function of  $\{0\}$ . Also, for the case of p=1, the multiplication on F(R) can be defined as follows:

$$(\widetilde{u} \odot \widetilde{v})(z) = \sup_{xy=z} \min(\widetilde{u}(x), \widetilde{v}(y)),$$

Now, in order to generalize the Hausdorff metric h on  $K(R^p)$  to  $F(R^p)$ , we define the metric  $d_{\infty}$  on  $F(R^p)$  by

$$d_{\infty}(\tilde{u}, \tilde{v}) = \sup_{0 \le \alpha \le 1} h(L_{\alpha}\tilde{u}, L_{\alpha}\tilde{v})$$

Also, the norm of  $\widetilde{u}$  is defined as  $\|\widetilde{u}\| = d_{\infty}(\widetilde{u}, I_{\{0\}}) = \sup_{x \in L_0} \widetilde{u} |x|.$ 

Then it is well-known that  $F(R^{\flat})$  is complete but non-separable w.r.t. the metric  $d_{\infty}(\text{see Klement et. al. [10]}).$  Recently, Joo and Kim [6] introduced a new metric  $d_s$  on  $F(R^{\flat})$  which makes it a separable metric space as follows:

Definition 2.1. Let T denote the class of strictly increasing, continuous mappings of [0,1] onto itself. For  $\overset{\sim}{u}, \overset{\sim}{v} \in F(R^p)$ , we define

$$d_s(\widetilde{u},\widetilde{v}) = \inf \ \{ \ \varepsilon > 0 \ : \text{there} \quad \text{exists}$$
 
$$t \in T \quad \text{such that}$$
 
$$\sup_{0 \le a \le 1} \ |t(a) - a| \le \varepsilon$$
 and 
$$d_\infty(\widetilde{u},t(\widetilde{v})) \le \varepsilon \},$$

where  $t(\hat{v})$  denotes the composition of and t.

Then it follows immediately that  $d_s$  is a metric on  $F(R^p)$  and  $d_s(\widetilde{u},\widetilde{v}) \leq d_\infty(\widetilde{u},\widetilde{v})$ . The metric  $d_s$  will be called the Skorokhod metric. Note that a sequence  $\{\widetilde{u}_n\} \in F(R^p)$  converges to a limit  $\widetilde{u}$  in the metric  $d_s$  if and only if there exists a sequence of functions  $\{t_n\}$  in T such that

 $\lim_{n o \infty} t_n(\alpha) = \alpha$  uniformly in  $\alpha$ , and

$$\lim_{n\to\infty}d_{\infty}(t_n(\tilde{u}_n),\tilde{u}) = 0.$$

If  $d_{\infty}(\tilde{u}_n, \tilde{u}) \to 0$ , then  $d_s(\tilde{u}_n, \tilde{u}) \to 0$ . But, the converse is not true ( for counter-example, see Joo and Kim [5]).

## III. Main Results

In this section, we investigate some properties of the metric  $d_s$  on the space  $F(R^p)$ .

Proposition 3.1.

For 
$$\widetilde{u}$$
,  $\widetilde{v} \in F(R^{\flat})$  and  $\lambda \in R$ , we have 
$$d_s(\lambda \, \widetilde{u}, \lambda \, \widetilde{v} \,) \geq |\lambda| \ d_s(\, \widetilde{u}, \, \widetilde{v} \,) \text{ if } |\lambda| \leq 1,$$
$$d_s(\lambda \, \widetilde{u}, \lambda \, \widetilde{v} \,) \leq |\lambda| \ d_s(\, \widetilde{u}, \, \widetilde{v} \,) \text{ if } |\lambda| \geq 1.$$

Proposition 3.2.

- (1) The scalar multiplication on  $(F(R^p), d_s)$  is continuous.
- (2) The addition on  $(F(R^p), d_s)$  is not continuous. But if  $d_s(\widetilde{u}_n, \widetilde{u}) \to 0$ ,  $d_s(\widetilde{v}_n, \widetilde{v}) \to 0$  and  $d_s(\widetilde{u}_n \oplus \widetilde{v}_n, \widetilde{w}) \to 0$ , then  $\widetilde{w} = \widetilde{u} \oplus \widetilde{v}$ .
- (3) The multiplication on  $(F(R), d_s)$  is not continuous. But if  $d_s(\widetilde{u}_n, \widetilde{u}) \to 0$ ,  $d_s(\widetilde{v}_n, \widetilde{v}) \to 0$  and  $d_s(\widetilde{u}_n \odot \widehat{v}_n, \widetilde{w}) \to 0$  for  $\widetilde{u}_n, \widetilde{v}_n \in F_c(R)$ , then  $\widetilde{w} = \widetilde{u} \odot \widetilde{v}$ .

Proposition 3.3.

- (1) The metric  $d_s$  is not translation invariant.
- (2)  $d_s(\widetilde{u} \oplus \widetilde{a}, \widetilde{v} \oplus \widetilde{b})$   $\leq d_s(\widetilde{u}, \widetilde{v}) + \|\widetilde{a}\| + \|\widetilde{b}\|$ for any  $\widetilde{u}, \widetilde{v}, \widetilde{a}, \widetilde{b} \in F(R^b)$ .
- (3)  $\|\widetilde{u}\| \le \|\widetilde{v}\| + d_s(\widetilde{u}, \widetilde{v})$  for  $\widetilde{u}, \widetilde{v} \in F(R^p)$ .

Proposition 3.4.

- $(1) \ d_s(\ \widetilde{u}_1,\ \widetilde{u}_2\ ) \ \leq \ d_s(\ \widetilde{v}_1,\ \widetilde{v}_2\ ) \ \text{does not}$   $\text{imply} \ d_\infty(\ \widetilde{u}_1,\ \widetilde{u}_2\ ) \ \leq \ d_\infty(\ \widetilde{v}_1,\ \widetilde{v}_2\ ).$
- $(2) \ d_{\infty}(\ \widetilde{u}_1,\ \widetilde{u}_2) \le d_{\infty}(\ \widetilde{v}_1,\ \widetilde{v}_2) \text{ does not}$   $\text{imply } d_{\mathfrak{s}}(\ \widetilde{u}_1,\ \widetilde{u}_2\ ) \le d_{\mathfrak{s}}(\ \widetilde{v}_1,\ \widetilde{v}_2\ ).$

- Proposition 3.5. In the metric space  $(F_c(R^p), d_s)$ .
- The closure of a convex set need not be convex.
- (2) The closed convex hull of a compact set need not be compact.
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