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FUZZY CONE B-METRIC SPACES

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ABSTRACT

In this article, we present the theory of fuzzy cone b-metric space as a new type of generalized metric spaces. We give some basic properties of this new space as Hausdorffness, convergence, completeness etc. In addition to, we introduce fuzzy cone b-metric Banach contraction theorem using our results.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Firstly, the theory of cone metric space was defined by Huang and Zhang in 2007 [3]. They handled ordering Banach space in lieu of the R as follows:

Consider a real Banach space E . When the following conditions are satisfied, the set $P \subset E$ is defined as a cone: for $a, b \in R^+ \cup \{0\}$;

- 1) P is nonempty, $P \neq \{\theta\}$,
- 2) P is closed,
- 3) $ax_1 + bx_2 \in P$, if $x_1, x_2 \in P$,
- 4) $x_1 = \theta$, if $x_1 \in P$ and $-x_1 \in P$,

When $P \subset E$ is a cone, a partial ordering \preceq according to P is found where $x_1 \preceq x_2$ means $x_2 - x_1 \in P$. Moreover, the followings will be used:

- $x_1 \prec x_2 \Leftrightarrow x_1 \preceq x_2$ and $x_1 \neq x_2$,
- $x_1 \ll x_2 \Leftrightarrow x_2 - x_1 \in \text{int } P$ ($\text{int } P$ is the set of interior points of P).

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If there exists a $K > 0$ which holds $\theta \preceq x_1 \preceq x_2 \Rightarrow \|x_1\| \leq K \|x_2\|$ for each $x_1, x_2 \in E$, in that case P is called a normal cone. Also, the normal constant of P is K that is the smallest positive number satisfying above inequality.

Definition 1.1 [3] Let $X \neq \emptyset$ be an arbitrary set and a mapping d be defined from $X \times X$ to E . When the followings are hold, d is defined as cone metric on X . Also, (X, d) is called cone metric space: for each $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in X$,

- d1. $\theta \prec d(x_1, x_2)$ and $d(x_1, x_2) = \theta \Leftrightarrow x_1 = x_2$,
- d2. $d(x_1, x_2) = d(x_2, x_1)$,
- d3. $d(x_1, x_2) \preceq d(x_1, x_3) + d(x_3, x_2)$.

Obviously, cone metric spaces are a generalization of metric spaces.

Example 1.2 [3] Let $E = R^2$, $P = \{(x_1, x_2) : x_1, x_2 \geq 0\} \subset E$ and $X = R$. Let d be defined from $X \times X$ to E where $d(x_1, x_2) = (|x_1 - x_2|, \alpha |x_1 - x_2|)$ for a constant $\alpha \geq 0$. In that case, (X, d) is a cone metric space.

In 2011, the structure of cone b-metric space was presented by Hussain and Shah [4]. They examined some basic properties of this space.

Definition 1.3 [4] Let $X \neq \emptyset$ be an arbitrary set, P be a cone of E and $D : X \times X \rightarrow P$ be a vector-valued function. If the following conditions are hold, then D is said to be a cone b-metric on X with the constant $k \geq 1$. Also, (X, D) is called a cone b-metric space: for each $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in X$,

- M1. $\theta \preceq D(x_1, x_2)$ and $D(x_1, x_2) = \theta \Leftrightarrow x_1 = x_2$,
- M2. $D(x_1, x_2) = D(x_2, x_1)$,
- M3. $D(x_1, x_3) \preceq k [D(x_1, x_2) + D(x_2, x_3)]$.

Lemma 1.4 [4] Let d be a cone b-metric on X . For each $t_1 \gg \theta$ and $t_2 \gg \theta$, $t_1, t_2 \in E$, there exists a $t \in E$, $t \gg \theta$ satisfying $t \ll t_1$ and $t \ll t_2$.

The notion of fuzzy sets was defined by Zadeh [8]. Later, the theory of fuzzy metric space given by Kramosil and Michalek was modified by George and Veeramani and they give basic properties of this space [1, 5].

Definition 1.5 [7] A continuous t -norm $* : [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is a binary operation if the followings are satisfied: for all $x, y, z, t \in [0, 1]$,

- (1) $*$ is associative and commutative,
- (2) $*$ is continuous,

- (3) $x * 1 = x$,
- (4) $x * y \leq z * t$ whenever $x \leq z$ and $y \leq t$.

The following equalities which are given by the symbols $*_M$, $*_P$ and $*_L$ respectively are the three basic continuous t-norms:

- $x *_M y = \min\{x, y\}$,
- $x *_P y = x.y$,
- $x *_L y = \max\{x + y - 1, 0\}$.

Definition 1.6 Let X be an arbitrary set and $*$ be a continuous t – norm. A fuzzy set M on $X^2 \times (0, \infty)$ is called a fuzzy metric on X if for each $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in X$ and $t, s > 0$, the following axioms are hold:

- FM1. $M(x_1, x_2, t) > 0$,
- FM2. $M(x_1, x_2, t) = 1 \Leftrightarrow x_1 = x_2$,
- FM3. $M(x_1, x_2, t) = M(x_2, x_1, t)$,
- FM4. $M(x_1, x_3, t + s) \geq M(x_1, x_2, t) * M(x_2, x_3, s)$,
- FM5. $M(x_1, x_2, \cdot) : (0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is continuous.

The ordered triple $(X, M, *)$ is called a fuzzy metric space.

In 2015, the theory of fuzzy cone metric space was defined by Oner et al. [6].

Definition 1.7 [6] Let X be an arbitrary set, E be a real Banach space and P be a cone of E . A fuzzy set M on $X^2 \times \text{int}(P)$ is called a fuzzy cone metric on X if for each $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in X$ and $t, s \in \text{int}(P)$, the following axioms are hold:

- FCM1. $M(x_1, x_2, t) > 0$,
- FCM2. $M(x_1, x_2, t) = 1 \Leftrightarrow x_1 = x_2$,
- FCM3. $M(x_1, x_2, t) = M(x_2, x_1, t)$,
- FCM4. $M(x_1, x_3, t + s) \geq M(x_1, x_2, t) * M(x_2, x_3, s)$,
- FCM5. $M(x_1, x_2, \cdot) : \text{int}(P) \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is continuous.

The ordered triple $(X, M, *)$ is called a fuzzy cone metric space.

2. FUZZY CONE B-METRIC SPACE

We introduce a new concept of generalized metric space called fuzzy cone b-metric space. Also, we give some basic properties of this new space as Hausdorffness, convergence, completeness etc.

Definition 2.1 Let X be an arbitrary set, E be a real Banach space, P be a cone of E and $*$ be a continuous t-norm. A fuzzy set M on $X^2 \times \text{int}(P)$ is said to be fuzzy cone b -metric with the constant $b \geq I$ on X if for each $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in X$ and $t, s \in \text{int}(P)$, the following axioms are hold:

- FCB1. $M(x_1, x_2, t) > 0$,
- FCB2. $M(x_1, x_2, t) = 1 \Leftrightarrow x_1 = x_2$,
- FCB3. $M(x_1, x_2, t) = M(x_2, x_1, t)$,
- FCB4. $M(x_1, x_3, b(t + s)) \geq M(x_1, x_2, t) * M(x_2, x_3, s)$,
- FCB5. $M(x_1, x_2, \cdot) : \text{int}(P) \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is continuous.

The ordered triple $(X, M, *)$ is said to be fuzzy cone b -metric space.

Note that if we take $b = 1$ in the definition of fuzzy cone b-metric space, then condition FCM4 in the definition of fuzzy cone metric space is satisfied. So, every fuzzy cone metric space is a fuzzy cone b-metric space. Also the family of fuzzy cone b-metric spaces is larger than that of the fuzzy cone metric spaces. If we take $E = R$, $P = (0, \infty)$ and $x *_p y = x \cdot y$ for all $x, y \in [0, 1]$ in the definition of fuzzy cone metric space, then fuzzy cone metric space becomes a fuzzy metric space. So, every fuzzy metric space is a fuzzy cone metric space. Also the family of fuzzy cone metric spaces is larger than that of the fuzzy metric spaces. Consequently, if we take $b = 1$, $E = R$, $P = (0, \infty)$ and $x *_p y = x \cdot y$ for all $x, y \in [0, 1]$ in the definition of fuzzy cone b-metric space, it becomes a fuzzy metric space. Namely, every fuzzy metric space is a fuzzy cone b-metric space.

$$\left. \begin{array}{c} \text{Fuzzy cone b-metric} \\ \text{space} \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{b=1} \left. \begin{array}{c} \text{Fuzzy cone metric} \\ \text{space} \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{E=R, P=(0,\infty), x*_p y=x \cdot y} \left. \begin{array}{c} \text{Fuzzy metric} \\ \text{space} \end{array} \right)$$

Example 2.2 Let $E = R^2$, $X = R$ and $m *_p n = m \cdot n$ for all $m, n \in [0, 1]$. Take a normal cone $P = \{(k_1, k_2) : k_1, k_2 \geq 0\} \subset E$ such that $K = 1$ [2]. Let M be defined from $X^2 \times \text{int}(P)$ to $[0, 1]$ by

$$M(x_1, x_2, t) = e^{-\frac{|x_1 - x_2|}{\|t\|}}$$

for all $x_1, x_2 \in X$ and $t \gg \theta$. In that case, M is a fuzzy cone b-metric on X .

First three conditions can be easily verified.

FCB4. For each $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in X$,

$$|x_1 - x_3| \leq |x_1 - x_2| + |x_2 - x_3|.$$

$s \preceq t + s$ and $t \preceq t + s$ imply $\|s\| \leq \|t + s\|$ and $\|t\| \leq \|t + s\|$ for all $t \gg \theta$ and $s \gg \theta$, respectively because of normal cone P . Then, $\frac{\|t+s\|}{\|s\|} \geq 1$ and $\frac{\|t+s\|}{\|t\|} \geq 1$. Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |x_1 - x_3| &\leq \frac{\|t + s\|}{\|t\|} |x_1 - x_2| + \frac{\|t + s\|}{\|s\|} |x_2 - x_3| \\ \frac{|x_1 - x_3|}{\|t + s\|} &\leq \frac{|x_1 - x_2|}{\|t\|} + \frac{|x_2 - x_3|}{\|s\|} \end{aligned}$$

and for $b \geq 1$,

$$\frac{|x_1 - x_3|}{b\|t + s\|} \leq \frac{|x_1 - x_2|}{\|t + s\|} \leq \frac{|x_1 - x_2|}{\|t\|} + \frac{|x_2 - x_3|}{\|s\|}.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} e^{\frac{|x_1-x_3|}{b\|t+s\|}} &\leq e^{\frac{|x_1-x_2|}{\|t\|}} e^{\frac{|x_2-x_3|}{\|s\|}} \\ e^{-\frac{|x_1-x_3|}{b\|t+s\|}} &\geq e^{-\frac{|x_1-x_2|}{\|t\|}} e^{-\frac{|x_2-x_3|}{\|s\|}}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the condition is satisfied.

FCB5. Let n be defined from $\text{int}(P)$ to $(0, \infty)$ by $n(t) = \|t\|$ and f be defined from $(0, \infty)$ to $[0, 1]$ by $f(u) = e^{-\frac{|x_1-x_2|}{u}}$. Then, M can be thought as composition of f and n . Since both n and f are continuous functions, M is also a continuous function.

In that case, $(X, M, *)$ is a fuzzy cone b-metric space.

Example 2.3 Let d be a cone b-metric on X . Take a normal cone P with $K = 1$ and $m *_p n = m.n$ for all $m, n \in [0, 1]$. Define $M : X^2 \times \text{int}(P) \rightarrow [0, 1]$ by

$$M(x_1, x_2, t) = \frac{\|t\|}{\|t\| + \|d(x_1, x_2)\|}$$

for each $x_1, x_2 \in X$ and $t \gg \theta$. In that case, M is a fuzzy cone b-metric on X . Also, M is said to be the standard fuzzy cone b-metric induced by a cone b-metric.

First three conditions and FCB5 can be easily verified.

FCB4. Since d is a cone b-metric on X , for each $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in X$,

$$d(x_1, x_3) \leq b[d(x_1, x_2) + d(x_2, x_3)]$$

and we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|d(x_1, x_3)\| &\leq \|b[d(x_1, x_2) + d(x_2, x_3)]\| \\ &\leq b\|d(x_1, x_2)\| + b\|d(x_2, x_3)\|. \end{aligned}$$

$s \preceq t + s$ and $t \preceq t + s$ imply $\|s\| \leq \|t + s\|$ and $\|t\| \leq \|t + s\|$ for each $t \gg \theta$ and $s \gg \theta$, respectively because of normal cone P . Then, $\frac{\|t+s\|}{\|s\|} \geq 1$ and $\frac{\|t+s\|}{\|t\|} \geq 1$. So, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|d(x_1, x_3)\| &\leq \frac{b\|t + s\|}{\|t\|} \|d(x_1, x_2)\| + \frac{b\|t + s\|}{\|s\|} \|d(x_2, x_3)\| \\ \frac{\|d(x_1, x_3)\|}{b\|t + s\|} &\leq \frac{\|d(x_1, x_2)\|}{\|t\|} + \frac{\|d(x_2, x_3)\|}{\|s\|} \\ &= \frac{\|s\|\|d(x_1, x_2)\| + \|t\|\|d(x_2, x_3)\|}{\|s\|\|t\|} \end{aligned}$$

and we have

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + \frac{\|d(x_1, x_3)\|}{b\|t + s\|} &\leq 1 + \frac{\|s\|\|d(x_1, x_2)\| + \|t\|\|d(x_2, x_3)\|}{\|s\|\|t\|} \\ &\leq \frac{\|s\|\|t\| + \|s\|\|d(x_1, x_2)\| + \|t\|\|d(x_2, x_3)\|}{\|s\|\|t\|} \\ &\leq \frac{\|s\|\|t\| + \|s\|\|d(x_1, x_2)\| + \|t\|\|d(x_2, x_3)\| + \|d(x_1, x_2)\|\|d(x_2, x_3)\|}{\|s\|\|t\|} \\ &= \frac{(\|t\| + \|d(x_1, x_2)\|)(\|s\| + \|d(x_2, x_3)\|)}{\|s\|\|t\|}. \end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$\frac{b\|t + s\| + \|d(x_1, x_3)\|}{b\|t + s\|} \leq \frac{\|t\| + \|d(x_1, x_2)\|}{\|t\|} + \frac{\|s\| + \|d(x_2, x_3)\|}{\|s\|}$$

and we have

$$\frac{b\|t + s\|}{b\|t + s\| + \|d(x_1, x_3)\|} \geq \frac{\|t\|}{\|t\| + \|d(x_1, x_2)\|} \cdot \frac{\|s\|}{\|s\| + \|d(x_2, x_3)\|}.$$

Thus, FCB4 is satisfied. As a result, M is a fuzzy cone b-metric on X .

Example 2.4 Let M_1 be a fuzzy cone b-metric on X and M_2 be a fuzzy cone b-metric on Y . Let M be defined from $(X \times Y)^2 \times \text{int}(P)$ to $[0, 1]$ by

$$M((x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2), t) = M_1(x_1, y_1, t) * M_2(x_2, y_2, t)$$

for all $(x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2) \in X \times Y$ and $t \gg \theta$. In that case, M is a fuzzy cone b-metric on X .

First three conditions and FCB5 can be easily verified.

FCB4. For all $(x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2), (z_1, z_2) \in X \times Y$,

$$\begin{aligned} M((x_1, x_2), (z_1, z_2), b(t+s)) &= M_1(x_1, z_1, b(t+s)) * M_2(x_2, z_2, b(t+s)) \\ &\geq M_1(x_1, y_1, t) * M_1(y_1, z_1, s) * M_2(x_2, y_2, t) * M_2(y_2, z_2, s) \\ &= M((x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2), t) * M((y_1, y_2), (z_1, z_2), s) \end{aligned}$$

Thus, FCB4 is satisfied. As a result, M is a fuzzy cone b-metric on $X \times Y$.

Proposition 2.5 Let M be a fuzzy cone b-metric on a set X . In that case it is nondecreasing mapping for each $x_1, x_2 \in X$.

Proof Showing that M is a nondecreasing mapping according to $t \in \text{int}(P)$ is easy. Firstly, assume that $M(x_1, x_2, t) > M(x_1, x_2, t_0)$ for $t_0 \gg t \gg \theta$. For $b \geq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} M(x_1, x_2, bt_0) &\geq M(x_1, x_2, t) * M(x_2, x_2, t_0 - t) \\ &= M(x_1, x_2, t) \\ &> M(x_1, x_2, t_0). \end{aligned}$$

So, we obtain a contradiction. Then, $M(x_1, x_2, \cdot)$ is nondecreasing.

Remark 2.6 (1) Let M be a fuzzy cone b-metric on a set X . If $M(x_1, x_2, bt) > 1 - \rho$ for all $x_1, x_2 \in X$, $t \gg \theta$ and $0 < \rho < 1$, then there exists a s , $\theta \ll s \ll t$ such that $M(x_1, x_2, s) > 1 - \rho$.

(2) If $\rho_1 > \rho_2$, then a ρ_3 such that $\rho_1 * \rho_3 \geq \rho_2$ can be found. Also, a ρ_5 such that $\rho_5 * \rho_5 \geq \rho_4$ for any ρ_4 can be found ($\rho_1, \rho_2, \rho_3, \rho_4, \rho_5 \in (0, 1)$).

Definition 2.7 Let $(X, M, *)$ be a fuzzy cone b-metric space and $x_1 \in X$. Then, for any $0 < \rho < 1$ and $t \gg \theta$, the set

$$B(x_1, \rho, bt) = \{ x_2 \in X : M(x_1, x_2, bt) > 1 - \rho \}$$

is defined as an open ball.

Definition 2.8 A subset G of a fuzzy cone b-metric space $(X, M, *)$ is called open if given any point x_1 in G , there exist a $I > \rho > 0$ and a $t \gg \theta$ such that $M(x_1, x_2, bt) > I - \rho$. There x_2 also belongs to G .

Lemma 2.9 For any $x_1 \in X$, $0 < \rho < 1$ and $t \gg \theta$, $B(x_1, \rho, bt)$ is an open set in fuzzy cone b - metric space.

Proof Let $B(x_1, \rho, bt)$ be an open ball. Then,

$$x_2 \in B(x_1, \rho, bt) \Rightarrow M(x_1, x_2, bt) > 1 - \rho.$$

If we consider Remark 2.6(1), since $M(x_1, x_2, bt) > 1 - \rho$, a s for $\theta \ll s \ll t$ which satisfies $M(x_1, x_2, s) > 1 - \rho$ can be found. Assume that $\rho_0 = M(x_1, x_2, s)$. Since $\rho_0 > 1 - \rho$, a t_0 for $0 < t_0 < 1$ such that $\rho_0 > 1 - t_0 > 1 - \rho$ can be found. If we consider Remark 2.6(2), for ρ_0 and t_0 such that $\rho_0 > 1 - t_0$, a ρ_1 such that $\rho_0 * \rho_1 \geq 1 - t_0$ can be found. Take into consideration the ball $B(x_2, 1 - \rho_1, b(t - s))$. We claim that

$$B(x_2, 1 - \rho_1, b(t - s)) \subset B(x_1, \rho, bt).$$

Take $x_3 \in B(x_2, 1 - \rho_1, b(t - s))$. Then, $M(x_2, x_3, b(t - s)) > 1 - (1 - \rho_1) = \rho_1$ for $b \geq 1$. For this reason,

$$\begin{aligned} M(x_1, x_3, bt) &\geq M(x_1, x_2, s) * M(x_2, x_3, t - s) \\ &> \rho_0 * \rho_1 \\ &\geq 1 - t_0 \\ &> 1 - \rho. \end{aligned}$$

Then, $x_3 \in B(x_1, \rho, bt)$. So, the proof is completed.

Proposition 2.10

$\tau_b = \{G \subset X : x_1 \in G \text{ iff there exist } t \gg \theta \text{ and } \rho \in (0,1) \text{ such that } B(x_1, \rho, bt) \subset G\}$ is a topology in fuzzy cone b-metric space.

Proof i) If $x_1 \in \phi$, so $\phi = B(x_1, r, bt) \subset \phi$. Therefore, $\phi \in \tau_b$. Since

$B(x_1, \rho, bt) \subset X$ for any $x_1 \in X$, $\rho \in (0,1)$ and $t \gg \theta$, $X \in \tau_b$.

ii) Let $U, V \in \tau_b$ and $x_1 \in U \cap V$. In that case, $x_1 \in U$ and $x_1 \in V$. Since $x_1 \in U$ and $U \in \tau_b$, there exist a $t_1 \in E$, $t_1 \gg \theta$ and $\rho_1 \in (0,1)$ such that

$B(x_1, \rho_1, bt_1) \subset U$. Similarly, since $x_1 \in V$ and $V \in \tau_b$, there exist a $t_2 \in E, t_2 \gg \theta$ and $\rho_2 \in (0,1)$ such that $B(x_1, \rho_2, bt_2) \subset V$. From Lemma 1.4, for $t_1 \gg \theta$ and $t_2 \gg \theta$, there exists a $t \in E, t \gg \theta$ such that $t \ll t_1$ and $t \ll t_2$. Take $\rho = \min\{\rho_1, \rho_2\}$. In that case, $B(x_1, \rho, bt) \subset B(x_1, \rho_1, bt_1) \subset U$ and

$$B(x_1, \rho, bt) \subset B(x_1, \rho_2, bt_2) \subset V.$$

$$\text{So, } B(x_1, \rho, bt) \subset B(x_1, \rho_1, bt_1) \cap B(x_1, \rho_2, bt_2) \subset U \cap V.$$

Consequently, $U \cap V \in \tau_b$.

iii) For all $i \in I$, let $U_i \in \tau$ and $x_1 \in \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$. Then, for $\exists i_0 \in I, x_1 \in U_{i_0}$. Since $U_{i_0} \in \tau_b$, there exist a $t \in E, t \gg \theta$ and $\rho \in (0,1)$ such that $B(x_1, \rho, bt) \subset U_{i_0}$. In this case,

$$B(x_1, \rho, bt) \subset U_{i_0} \subset \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i \in \tau_b.$$

Hence, (X, τ_b) is a topological space.

Theorem 2.11 Let M be a fuzzy cone b-metric on a set X . In that case, (X, τ_b) is a Hausdorff space.

Proof Suppose that $x_1 \neq x_2$ for $x_1, x_2 \in X$. It is obvious that $1 > M(x_1, x_2, b^2t) > 0$. Consider $M(x_1, x_2, bt) = \rho$ for some $\rho, 1 > \rho > 0$. From Remark 2.6 (2), for each ρ_0 such that $1 > \rho_0 > \rho$, there exists a $\rho_1 \in (0,1)$ such that $\rho_1 * \rho_1 \geq \rho_0$. Take into consideration the open sets $B(x_1, 1 - \rho_1, \frac{bt}{2})$ and $B(x_2, 1 - \rho_1, \frac{bt}{2})$. We claim that

$$B(x_1, 1 - \rho_1, \frac{bt}{2}) \cap B(x_2, 1 - \rho_1, \frac{bt}{2}) = \phi.$$

Suppose that $B(x_1, 1 - \rho_1, \frac{bt}{2}) \cap B(x_2, 1 - \rho_1, \frac{bt}{2}) \neq \phi$. Then, we can find a x_3 such that

$$x_3 \in B(x_1, 1 - \rho_1, \frac{bt}{2}) \cap B(x_2, 1 - \rho_1, \frac{bt}{2}).$$

So, $x_3 \in B(x_1, 1 - \rho_1, \frac{bt}{2})$ and $x_3 \in B(x_2, 1 - \rho_1, \frac{bt}{2})$. Therefore,

$$M(x_1, x_3, \frac{bt}{2}) > 1 - (1 - \rho_1) = \rho_1$$

and

$$M(x_2, x_3, \frac{bt}{2}) > 1 - (1 - \rho_1) = \rho_1.$$

For $b \geq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} \rho &= M(x_1, x_2, b^2t) \\ &\geq M(x_1, x_3, \frac{bt}{2}) * M(x_3, x_2, \frac{bt}{2}) \\ &> \rho_1 * \rho_1 \\ &\geq \rho_0 \\ &> \rho. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we obtain a contradiction. As a result, the proof is completed.

Theorem 2.12 Let $(X, M, *)$ be a fuzzy cone b-metric space, then X is a first countable space.

Proof Let $x_1 \in X$ and $t \gg \theta$. Also, take

$$\beta_{x_1} = \{B(x_1, \frac{1}{n}, \frac{bt}{n}) : n \in N\}$$

where $B(x_1, \frac{1}{n}, \frac{bt}{n})$ denotes the open ball of x_1 in X . It suffices to show that β_{x_1} is a local basis at x_1 . Then, let $G \in \tau_b$ and $x_1 \in G$. By the definition of an open set, there exist $0 < \rho < 1$ and $t \in E, t \gg \theta$ which satisfies $B(x_1, \rho, bt) \subset G$. Take $n \in N$ such that $\frac{1}{n} < \rho$. Since $\frac{1}{n} < 1, \frac{bt}{n} \ll bt$. Now, we must show $B(x_1, \frac{1}{n}, \frac{bt}{n}) \subset B(x_1, \rho, bt)$. Let $x_2 \in B(x_1, \frac{1}{n}, \frac{bt}{n})$. In this case, $M(x_1, x_2, \frac{bt}{n}) > 1 - \frac{1}{n} > 1 - \rho$. Since $\frac{bt}{n} \ll bt$, by Proposition 2.5, we get $M(x_1, x_2, bt) > M(x_1, x_2, \frac{bt}{n}) > 1 - \rho$. So, $x_2 \in B(x_1, \rho, bt)$ which implies $B(x_1, \frac{1}{n}, \frac{bt}{n}) \subset B(x_1, \rho, bt) \subset G$. As a result, x_1 has a countable local basis as β_{x_1} . The proof is completed.

Let $(X, M, *)$ be a fuzzy cone b-metric space and take a sequence $\{x_k\}$ in this space. In that case, definitions of convergent sequence and Cauchy sequence are as follows:

Definition 2.13 If for each $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$ and $t \gg \theta$, there exists a $k_0 \in N$ which satisfies $M(x_k, x, bt) > 1 - \varepsilon$ for each $k \geq k_0$, then $\{x_k\}$ is said to be convergent to x in X .

Also, \mathcal{X} is said to be the limit of $\{x_k\}$ and this is denoted by $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k = \mathcal{X}$ or $x_k \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$.

In other words, $\{x_k\}$ converges to \mathcal{X} if and only if $M(x_k, \mathcal{X}, bt) \rightarrow 1$ as to $k \rightarrow \infty$ for each $t \gg \theta$.

Definition 2.14 If for each $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$ and $t \gg \theta$, there exists a $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $M(x_k, x_m, bt) > 1 - \varepsilon$ for each $k, m \geq k_0$, then $\{x_k\}$ is said to be Cauchy sequence in this space.

In other words, $\{x_k\}$ is a Cauchy sequence if and only if $M(x_k, x_m, bt) \rightarrow 1$ as to $k, m \rightarrow \infty$ for each $t \gg \theta$.

Also, one can say that a complete fuzzy cone b-metric space is a fuzzy cone b-metric space in which every Cauchy sequence is convergent.

Lemma 2.15 Let $(X, M, *)$ is a fuzzy cone b-metric space. Then, every convergent sequence in X has a unique limit.

Proof. Suppose that $x_k \rightarrow x_1$, $x_k \rightarrow x_2$ and $x_1 \neq x_2$. Since $\{x_k\}$ converges to x_1 and x_2 , for any $t \gg \theta$ and $\varepsilon_1 \in (0, 1)$, there exist $k_1, k_2 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $M(x_k, x_1, bt) > 1 - \varepsilon_1$ for each $k \geq k_1$ and $M(x_k, x_2, bt) > 1 - \varepsilon_1$ for each $k \geq k_2$. If we set $k_0 = \max\{k_1, k_2\}$, then for each $k \geq k_0$, $t \gg \theta$ and $s \gg \theta$,

$$\begin{aligned} M(x_1, x_2, bt) &\geq M(x_1, x_k, s) * M(x_k, x_2, t - s) \\ &> (1 - \varepsilon_1) * (1 - \varepsilon_1). \end{aligned}$$

From Remark 2.6(2), for $1 - \varepsilon_1$, we can find $1 - \varepsilon$ such that

$$(1 - \varepsilon_1) * (1 - \varepsilon_1) \geq 1 - \varepsilon.$$

Thus,

$$M(x_1, x_2, bt) > 1 - \varepsilon.$$

Then, $M(x_1, x_2, t) = 1 \Leftrightarrow x_1 = x_2$. So, the proof is completed.

Lemma 2.16 Let $(X, M, *)$ be a fuzzy cone b-metric space. Then, every convergent sequence is a Cauchy sequence.

Proof Since $\{x_k\}$ converges to \mathcal{X} , for any $t \gg \theta$ and $\varepsilon_1 \in (0, 1)$, there exists a $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ which satisfies $M(x_k, \mathcal{X}, bt) > 1 - \varepsilon_1$ for each $k \geq k_0$. Then for each $k, m \geq k_0$, $t \gg \theta$ and $s \gg \theta$,

$$M(x_k, x_m, bt) \geq M(x_k, x, s) * M(x, x_m, t - s) > (1 - \varepsilon_1) * (1 - \varepsilon_1).$$

From Remark 2.6(2), for $1 - \varepsilon_1$, we can find $1 - \varepsilon$ such that

$$(1 - \varepsilon_1) * (1 - \varepsilon_1) \geq 1 - \varepsilon.$$

Hence $M(x_k, x_m, bt) > 1 - \varepsilon$. So, the proof is completed.

3. FUZZY CONE B-METRIC BANACH CONTRACTION THEOREM

The fuzzy Banach contraction theorem was given by Grabiec [2] in 1988. We extend it to the complete fuzzy cone b -metric space.

Theorem 3.1 Let M be a complete fuzzy cone b-metric on a set X which satisfies

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} M(x, y, t) = 1 \tag{3.1.1}$$

for each $x, y \in X$. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a mapping such that

$$M(Tx, Ty, qt) \geq M(x, y, t) \tag{3.1.2}$$

for each $x, y \in X$ where $0 < q < 1$. In that case, there exists a unique fixed point of T .

Proof Take $x \in X$ and $x_k = T^k x$ for each $k \in N$. Let us use the method of induction. Then, we have

$$M(x_k, x_{k+1}, qt) \geq M(x, x_1, \frac{t}{q^{k-1}}) \tag{3.1.3}$$

for each $k \in N$ and $t \gg \theta$. For any $p \in Z^+$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} M(x_k, x_{k+p}, bt) &\geq M(x_k, x_{k+1}, \frac{t}{p}) * \dots * M(x_{k+p-1}, x_{k+p}, \frac{t}{p}) \\ &\geq M(x, x_1, \frac{t}{p \cdot q^k}) * \dots * M(x, x_1, \frac{t}{p \cdot q^{k+p-1}}) \end{aligned}$$

by (3.1.3). According to (3.1.1), we have

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} M(x_k, x_{k+p}, bt) \geq 1 * \dots * 1 = 1.$$

Thus, $\{x_k\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. Also, since X is complete, $\{x_k\}$ is a convergent sequence. Then, assume that $\{x_k\}$ converges to $y \in X$. So, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 M(Ty, y, bt) &\geq M(Ty, Tx_k, \frac{t}{2}) * M(Tx_k, y, \frac{t}{2}) \\
 &= M(Ty, Tx_k, \frac{t}{2}) * M(T^{k+1}x, y, \frac{t}{2}).
 \end{aligned}$$

From (3.1.2),

$$\begin{aligned}
 M(Ty, y, bt) &\geq M(y, x_k, \frac{t}{2q}) * M(x_{k+1}, y, \frac{t}{2}) \\
 &\geq 1 * 1 = 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

By FCB2, we obtain $Ty = y$, a fixed point. Finally, to verify uniqueness of the fixed point, suppose that $Tz = z$ for some $z \in X$. In this case,

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 &\geq M(z, y, t) = M(Tz, Ty, t) \\
 &\geq M(z, y, \frac{t}{q}) = M(Tz, Ty, \frac{t}{q}) \\
 &\geq M(z, y, \frac{t}{q^2}) \\
 &\vdots \\
 &\geq M(z, y, \frac{t}{q^k}) \rightarrow 1 \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty.
 \end{aligned}$$

By FCB2, $z = y$.

Consequently, T has a unique fixed point.

Example 3.2: We consider Example 2.3 and define $T : X \rightarrow X$ by $Tx = \frac{x}{5}$. In that case, $(X, M, *)$ is a complete fuzzy cone b-metric space which satisfies (3.1.1) and T satisfies (3.1.2) with $q = \frac{1}{5} \in (0, 1)$. Thus, there exists a unique fixed point of T which is 0 .

4. CONCLUSIONS

In this paper, we introduce theory of fuzzy cone b-metric space and examine basic properties of this space. Also, we extend Banach contraction theorem to the complete fuzzy cone b-metric spaces.

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