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# DATA CLUSTERING BASED ON FUZZY C-MEANS AND CHAOTIC WHALE OPTIMIZATION ALGORITHMS

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#### ABSTRACT

Clustering is the process of sub-grouping data according to certain distance and similarity criteria. One of the most commonly used clustering algorithms in the literature is the Fuzzy C-Means (FCM) algorithm based on the fuzzy clustering principle. Although FCM is an efficient algorithm, random selection of initial cluster centers is a disadvantage since it easier trap the algorithm into local optimum. This problem can be solved by approaching the clustering problem as an optimization problem. In this article, Whale Optimization Algorithm (WOA), a global optimization algorithm developed by inspiration from hunting behaviors of humpback whales, has been improved with chaos maps using an adaptive normalization method and chaotic WOA algorithms are proposed. They are then hybridized with FCM algorithm. The performances of the proposed chaotic optimization algorithms are tested with thirteen different benchmark functions. Results are evaluated with means and standard deviations of the objective function values and with the Wilcoxon Sign Rank Test at 0.05 significance level. The clustering performances of the proposed hybrid algorithms measured according to the objective function, the Rand Index and the Adjusted Rand Index values and compared with the K-Means, FCM and some of the other hybrid algorithms for six different data sets selected from the UCI Repository database. In addition, the new hybrid clustering algorithms are improved by using Chebyshev distance function instead of the classical Euclidean distance for the FCM algorithm in order to increase their data clustering performances. As a result, it has been seen that the used chaos functions improve the optimization performance of WOA algorithm, integrating chaotic WOA algorithms with FCM algorithm enhances the disadvantages of FCM algorithm and changing the distance function increases clustering performance of the proposed algorithms.

Keywords: Data clustering, WOA, FCM, optimization, chaos.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Population based meta-heuristic algorithms have been developed with inspiration from natural phenomena. These algorithms are often preferred since they do not require gradient information, exceeds to local optimum, are easy to implement, and can be used in many interdisciplinary fields [1]. These algorithms converge to an optimal solution rather than an exact solution. According to the NFL theorem [2], there is no algorithm that best solves all optimization problems. In other

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words, a meta-heuristic algorithm may perform well for some problems while doing poorly for others. These algorithms are generally grouped in three different ways, physics-based, evolutionbased, and swarm-based. Physics-based algorithms are developed based on natural physics rules. Simulated Annealing (SA) [3] which mimics the physical annealing process of the solids, Gravitational Search Algorithm (GSA) [4] using Newton's gravity and motion laws, Big Bang Big Crunch Algorithm (BB-BC) [5] inspired by the big bang theory. Gravity Local Search (GLS) [6]. Black Hole Optimization (BH) [7] and Beam Algorithm (BA) [8] are examples of physics-based algorithms. The source of inspiration for evolutionary algorithms is Darwin's theory of evolution. The process that begins with the creation of a random population continues with the survival and proliferation of the best and most compatible individual. Genetic Algorithm (GA) [9], Genetic Programming (GP) [10], Evolution Strategy (ES) [11], Probability Based Incremental Learning (PBIL) [12] and Biology Based Optimization (BTO) [13] can be given as examples of evolutionbased algorithms. Swarm-based algorithms have been enhanced with inspiration from behaviors of solving the problems encountered by living creatures acting collectively and behaviors of benefit from each other's experiences to solve a probable problem. Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO) [14] which models bird behaviors in order of food searches, Ant Colony Algorithm (ACA) [15] developed by mathematical modeling of ant colony behaviors, Artificial Bee Colony Algorithm (ABC) [16] inspired by the behaviors of honey bees' food search, Grey Wolf Optimizer (GWO) [17], Firefly Algorithm (FA) [18], The Ant Lion Optimizer (ALO) [19] and Sine Cosine Algorithm (SCA) [20] can be given as examples to these algorithms.

Population based algorithms consist of two parts; exploration of the search field (exploration phase) and use of the best result found (exploitation phase). During the exploration phase, the selected parameters must be as random as possible for better scanning of the search field [1]. The collapsed search region in the exploration phase is tested with the exploitation phase. That is, the optimum point in the exploration phase is used during the exploitation operation and is approached to optimum throughout the iteration. Thus, provide a good balance between exploration and exploitation phases is important for the performance of the algorithm [21]. However, due to the probabilistic behavior of population-based algorithms this balance is not easy to achieve [22]. When the literature is examined, it is seen that the integration of population-based algorithms with chaos theory increases the performance of both the exploration and exploitation phase. Zhang et al. in 2009, applied two chaotic maps to the PSO and the performance of the algorithm was improved [23]. In 2009, Wang and Yao proposed a Hybrid Genetic Algorithm based on chaos and PSO to improve the convergence and inadequate run-time performance of the genetic algorithm [24]. Atalas and his colleagues have improved the performance of the PSO by applying 12 chaotic maps to the PSO in 2009 [25]. They have also shown that the performance of the ABC [26] and Harmony Search (HS) algorithms [27] can be improved by chaos. In the work performed by Yan H. et al. in 2014, chaos has been used to improve the exploitation phase of the genetic algorithm and to increase the accuracy [28]. In addition, meta-heuristic algorithms also used in conjunction with chaos are GA [29], FA [30], SA [31], Differential Evolution (DE) [32] and Krill Herd Algorithm [33]. The examples given support the increase in performance when meta-heuristic optimization algorithms are used together with chaos. In this paper, Whale Optimization Algorithm (WOA) [1], developed by Mirjalili and Lewis based on the hunting behaviors of whales, is used together with chaotic maps to improve the performance of the algorithm. There are studies in the literature where the WOA algorithm was used with chaos functions. In the study done by Tanyıldızı and Cigal, the Logistic map was added to the WOA algorithm and WOA algorithms based on chaos were proposed [34]. Sun and Wang tried to solve the problem of trapped to local optimum by using the WOA algorithm to optimize the Elman neural network. Besides, a chaotic WOA algorithm was proposed to improve the diversity and eccentricity of search agents [35]. Oliva and colleagues applied four different chaos maps to the WOA algorithm for parameter estimation of solar batteries [36]. In this article, unlike other studies, 10 different chaotic maps are applied to the WOA after being passed through the

normalization process proposed in [22]. The efficiency of the proposed algorithms is tested using 13 benchmark functions. Scientific significance of the results is measured by the Wilcoxon Sign Rank Test. In addition, a new approach has been improved to the solution of the data clustering problem by means of the proposed chaotic algorithms.

Clustering is the process of dividing a data set into different subsets where similar data are found in the same cluster. It is indicative of a good clustering being intra-cluster similarity is maximum and inter-cluster similarity is minimum [37]. Clustering is used in scientific and engineering applications such as image recognition, data mining, machine learning, signal processing and biology [38]. In the literature there are many clustering algorithms proposed for solving clustering problems. One of these algorithms is the fuzzy clustering based Fuzzy C-Means (FCM) algorithm proposed by Dunn [39] and developed by Bezdek [40]. In this algorithm, the data belongs to a cluster with certain membership grades. Therefore, one element in database can belong to more than one cluster at the same time. Although the FCM is an efficient algorithm, random selection of the initial cluster centers creates a disadvantage by making it easier to trap the algorithm to the local optimum. Clustering problem can also be considered as a kind of optimization problem. In recent years, meta-heuristic algorithms have begun to be widely used to solve such clustering problems [41]. Such algorithms look for an optimal solution for clustering problems and reduce the risk of trapping to the local optimum [38]. For this reason, the FCM algorithm is also combined with many meta-heuristic algorithms. According to the literature, the FCM is integrated with the meta-heuristic algorithms such as GA [42], DE [43], Ant Colony Optimization [44], PSO [45], Artificial Fish Swarm Optimization [46], fuzzy PSO [47], Support Vector Machines [48]. In this paper, FCM and chaotic WOA algorithms are combined and new hybrid clustering algorithms are developed. The proposed algorithms are based on optimizing the cluster centers with the chaotic WOA algorithms. For each cluster center, the FCM-CWOA algorithms updates the cluster centers while trying to minimize the objective function of the FCM algorithm. In addition, to improve performance of the proposed clustering algorithms, Euclid distance function of the FCM algorithm is replaced by the Chebyshev distance function. FCM-CWOA algorithms, the classical FCM algorithms and other optimization based hybrid algorithms are tested with six datasets selected from the UCI database [49]. The effect of changing the distance function of the FCM algorithm and of the normalization of chaos maps on the data clustering are evaluated by proposed algorithms (FCWOA-c and FCMWOA\* algorithms). The obtained results are compared with the Rand Index and Adjusted Rand Index values and according to these indexes it is seen that the proposed clustering algorithms gives better results than the compared algorithm. As a result, it is observed that using WOA algorithm with normalized chaos maps increases the performance of the algorithm, integrating chaotic WOA algorithms with FCM algorithm improves disadvantages of FCM algorithm and changing distance function increases clustering performance of algorithms.

In the second part, WOA algorithm is explained in details; in the third part chaos maps and application methods are given. In the fourth part, the problem of data clustering is identified. Finally, in the fifth section, the study is briefly summarized and evaluated.

## 2. WHALE OPTIMIZATION ALGORITHM (WOA)

The whale optimization algorithm (WOA) is a global optimization algorithm developed by Mirjalili and Lewis [1], inspired by the hunting strategies of humpback whales. Humpback whales have a unique hunting behavior. They dive about 12 meters down in the water and form spiral-shaped bubbles around their prey, trapping their prey in air bubbles. Then, they swim to the surface to swallow their prey. These unique hunting behaviors of humpback whales are illustrated in figure 1.



Figure 1. Hunting behavior of humpback whale

The mathematical model of the WOA algorithm consists of three basic steps; spinning, air bubble attack, and hunting. The algorithm assumes that the target hunt is the closest candidate solution to the optimal hunt model. Each humpback whale is considered a search agent. After the best search agent is identified according to the target prey, other search agents update their location accordingly. The mathematical model of this behavior is defined as follows [1].

$$\vec{D} = |\vec{C}.\vec{X}^{*}(t) - \vec{X}(t)|$$
(1)

$$\vec{X}(t+1) = \overline{X^*}(t) - \overline{A}.\vec{D}$$
<sup>(2)</sup>

where, t is current iteration number,  $\vec{A}$  and  $\vec{C}$  are two coefficient vectors,  $\vec{X^*}$  is the best solution of position vector obtained so far,  $\vec{X}$  is the position vector and | | and  $\cdot$  means absolute value and elementary multiplication, respectively. If there is a better solution  $\vec{X^*}$  should be updated in every iteration. The vectors  $\vec{A}$  and  $\vec{C}$  are calculated as follows [1]:

$$A = 2\vec{a}.\vec{r} - \vec{a} \tag{3}$$

$$\vec{C} = 2\vec{r} \tag{4}$$

where,  $\vec{a}$  is a linearly decreasing number from 2 to 0 throughout the iterations (both during the exploration and exploitation phases) and  $\vec{r}$  is a random vector in the range [0,1].

The search agent (X, Y) can update the location according to the best available  $(X^*, Y^*)$  location and by chancing the values of  $\vec{A}$  and  $\vec{C}$ , it can reach to different places near the best search agent. By randomly defining the vector  $\vec{r}$ , it is possible to reach any position in the search space located between the lock points. Equation 2 allows the search agent to update its position in the neighborhood of the best solution available and to model encircling the prey. The modeling of the bubble-net attacking method of humpback whales involves two approaches [1].

Shrinking encircling mechanism represents the reduction of the circle around the prey by updating the value of  $\vec{a}$  in the equation 3 with the following equation [1].

$$a = 2 - t \frac{2}{Maxiter}$$
(5)

Thus,  $\vec{A}$  takes a random value in the interval [-a, a] with decreasing *a* from 2 to 0 during the iteration. The new position of a search agent can be defined anywhere between the starting position of the agent and the position of the best available agent, if we assign random values in the range [-1,1] for A [1].

*Spiral updating* computes the distance between the whale located at (X, Y) and the prey located at  $(X^*, Y^*)$ . To model the helical movements of humpback whales, the following equation is established between the whale and the prey positions [1].

$$\vec{X}(t+1) = \vec{D'} \cdot e^{bl} \cos(2\pi l) + \vec{X^*}(t)$$
(6)

where  $\overrightarrow{D'} = |\overrightarrow{X^*}(t) - \overrightarrow{X}(t)|$  and shows the distance of the *i*th whale to prey. b is a constant that defines the logarithmic spiral shape; *l* is a random number in the range [-1,1], and  $\cdot$  is elementary product.

The humpback whales swim creating shrinking spirals around their prey, simultaneously. To simulate this synchronous behavior, it is assumed that during optimization, the location of the whales has been updated with a probability of 50% among shrinking encircling mechanism and the spiral updating. It is mathematically expressed by the following equation [1].

$$\vec{X}(t+1) = \begin{cases} \vec{X^{*}(t)} - \vec{A}.\vec{D} & \text{if } p < 0.5\\ \vec{D'}.e^{bl}\cos(2\pi l) + \vec{X^{*}}(t) & \text{if } p \ge 0.5 \end{cases}$$
(7)

where p is a random number between [-1,1].

Search for prey (exploration phase) imitates humpback whales doing random research according to each other's position. To make the search more comprehensive and to keep the whales away from each other,  $\vec{A}$  is selected randomly as greater than 1 and less than -1. In contrast to the exploitation phase, during the exploration phase, the position of a search agent is updated with a randomly selected search agent. Selecting  $|\vec{A}| > 1$  allows the WOA algorithm to conduct a global search. The mathematical model is as follows [1]:

$$\vec{D} = \left| \vec{C} \cdot \overline{X_{rand}} - \vec{X} \right| \tag{8}$$

$$\vec{X}(t+1) = \overline{X_{rand}} - \vec{A}.\vec{D}$$
(9)

where  $\overrightarrow{X_{rand}}$  is a random position vector selected from the current population.

To summarize, the WOA algorithm begins with a series of random solutions. In each iteration, search agents update their positions to 50% probability, either randomly selected search agents, or the best solution so far. Depending on the value of p, WOA can choose between spiral or circular motion. Finally, the WOA is terminated by provide of the stopping criterion.

### **3. CHAOTIC MAPS**

Chaos is defined as the randomness produced by mathematically simple deterministic systems [25]. It can also be expressed as an arrangement within the irregularity that focuses on the behavior of dynamic systems that are highly sensitive to their initial values. That is, small changes in the initial conditions can result in large differences (sensitivity). Chaos has similar scatter performance for a random value (randomness). It also consists of values that do not repeat within a certain interval (ergodicity) [26], [50]. Therefore, using chaotic variables instead of random variables in optimization algorithms reduces the likelihood of repeating randomly selected numbers and accumulating at a certain interval. Thus, the problem of trapping to the local optimum of the optimization problems can be solved [50]. The chaotic maps used in this study are shown in Table 1 [22], [50].

Chaotic Maps	Equation	Interval
Chebyshev	$x_{i+1} = \cos(i\cos^{-1}(x_i))$	(-1,1)
Circle	$x_{i+1} = mod\left(x_i + b - \left(\frac{a}{2\pi}\right)\sin 2\pi x_i, 1\right), a = 0.5 \ b = 0.2$	(0,1)
Gauss/mouse	$x_{i+1} \begin{cases} x_i = 0\\ \frac{1}{mod(x_i, 1)} & di ger \end{cases}$	(0,1)
Iterative	$x_{i+1} = \sin \frac{a\pi}{x_i}  a = 0.7$	(-1,1)
Logistic	$x_{i+1} = ax_i(1-x_i)  a = 4$	(0,1)
Piecewise	$x_{i+1} = \begin{cases} \frac{x_i}{d} & 0 \le x_i < d\\ \frac{x_i - d}{0.5 - d} & d \le x_i < \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1 - d - x_i}{0.5 - d} & \frac{1}{2} \le x_i < 1 - d\\ \frac{1 - x_i}{d} & 1 - d \le x_i < 1 \end{cases}$	(0,1)
Sine	$x_{i+1} = \frac{\tilde{a}}{4}\sin(\pi x_i) \qquad a = 4$	(0,1)
Singer	$x_{i+1} = \mu (7.86x_i - 23.31x_i^2 + 28.75x_i^3 - 13.302875x_i^4), \ \mu = 2.3$	(0,1)
Sinusoidal	$x_{i+1} = ax_i^2 \sin(\pi x_i),  a = 2.3$	(0,1)
Tent	$x_{i+1} = \begin{cases} \frac{x_i}{0.7} x_i < 0.7\\ \frac{10}{3} (1 - x_i) x_i \ge 0.7 \end{cases}$	(0,1)

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The graphs of the chaotic maps are given in figure 2.







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#### 3.1. Application of Chaotic Maps to the WOA Algorithm

In the WOA algorithm, hunting strategy of humpback whales is modeled. The whales create air bubbles around their prey and surround them and prevent them from escaping. This behavior is modeled by the Equation 2. By updating the value a in the Equation 3, it is possible to narrow the circle around the prey. In the WOA algorithm, a value is chosen from randomly generated numbers. In this work, a value has been replaced by chaotic maps to provide both decreasing linearly in the range [0,2] and randomness obtained by chaos maps. In the WOA algorithm, a value decreases linearly in the range [0,2]. Accordingly, each of the chaotic maps has been normalized to a predefined range [k, l], this range represents the added chaos effect to the a value. Normalized chaos maps have been added to the current a value. The normalization process is performed using the following formulas as done in [22].

$$x(t)_n = \frac{(x(t)-m) \times (l-k)}{(m-n)} + c$$
(10)

Where x(t) and  $x(t)_n$  are non-normalized and normalized values of the chaotic map at t'th iteration, [m, n] is the interval of the chaos map given in Table 1, and  $[k, l] = [0\ 0.05]$  is the normalization interval used in this study. d value is reduced throughout iterations by the following formula [22].

$$d(t) = d - \frac{t}{\tau}(l - k) \tag{11}$$

In this Equation, t represents the current iteration and T represents the maximum number of iterations. Chaotic maps are normalized and then combined with a value. This process is shown in Figure 3-4 for Chebyshev Map.



Figure 3. Normalization graph of Chebyshev Map



Figure 4. Sum of normalized Chebyshev map with a value

In Figure 5 all the normalized chaos maps with a value is shown.







## 4. EXPERIMENTAL STUDIES

The performance of chaos-based WOA algorithms developed in this paper has been tested with 13 different benchmark functions that are frequently used in optimization problems [1]. These functions are composed from both single-mode functions (F1-F7) and multi-mode (F8-F13) functions [1]. The equations of these functions are given in Table 2.

benchmark functions	Dimension	range	$f_{min}$
$F_1(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2$	30	[-100,100]	0
$F_2(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n  x_i  + \prod_{i=1}^n  x_i $	30	[-10 10]	0
$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} 1 \sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{i} x_{j}\right)^{2}}{F_{3}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{i} x_{j}\right)^{2}}$	30	[-100,100]	0
$\overline{F}_4(x) = max_i\{ x_i , 1 \le i \le n\}$	30	[-100,100]	0
$F_5(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} [100(x_{i+1} - x_i^2)^2 + (x_i - 1)^2]$	30	[-30,30]	0
$F_6(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n ( x_i + 0.5 )^2$	30	[-100,100]	0
$F_7(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n ix_i^4 + random(0, 1)$	30	[-1.28,1.28]	0
$F_8(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n -x_i \sin\left(\sqrt{ x_i }\right)$	30	[-500,500]	-418.982x5
$F_{9}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} [x_{i}^{2} - 10\cos(2\pi x_{i}) + 10]$	30	[-5.12,5.12]	0
$F_{10}(x) = -20exp\left(-0.2\sqrt{\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}x_{i}^{2}}\right)$	30	[-32,32]	0
$-exp\left(\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\cos(2\pi x_{i})\right)+20+e$			
$F_{11}(x) = \frac{1}{4000} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i^2 - \prod_{i=1}^{n} \cos\left(\frac{x_i}{\sqrt{i}}\right) + 1$	30	[-600,600]	0
$\overline{F_{12}(x)} = \frac{\pi}{n} \{ 10 \sin(\pi y_1) + \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - 1)^2 [1 + y_i - 1]^2 [1 + y_i - 1]$	30	[-50 50]	0
$10sin^{2}(\pi y_{i+1})] + (y_{n} - 1)^{2} + \sum_{i=1}^{n} u(x_{i}, 10, 100, 4)$		[ 50,50]	

Table 2. Equations of benchmark functions

$y_{i} = 1 + \frac{x_{i}+1}{4}u(x_{i}, a, k, m) = \begin{cases} k(x_{i}-a)^{m} & x_{i} > a \\ 0 & -a < x_{i} < a \\ k(-x_{i}-a)^{m} & x_{i} < -a \end{cases}$			
$F_{12}(\mathbf{r}) = 0 1 \{ \sin^2(\beta \pi \mathbf{r}_1) \}$	30		0
$r_{13}(x) = 0.1 (sin (pnx_1))$		[-50,50]	
$+\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{i}-1)^{2}$ [1]			
$\sum_{i=1}^{i=1}$			
$+sin^2(3\pi x_i+1)$			
$+(x_n-1)^2[1+sin^2(2\pi x_n)]$			
$+\sum_{i=1}^{n}u(x_{i}, 5, 100, 4)$			

The WOA algorithm and the proposed CWOA algorithms have been run 30 times in succession. Besides, maximum number of iteration was defined as 1000 and population size was 50. In order to evaluate the mutual performances of the algorithms, mean and standard deviation values were calculated for each run. The best results are indicated in bold type. In addition, nonparametric Wilcoxon Sign Rank Test [51] was calculated at the significance level of 0.05 in order to show the significant differences between the performance of the algorithms. According to Wilcoxon sign rank test used for statistical evaluation of the results, p-values that are less than 0.05 can be considered as strong evidences against the null hypothesis. The p value of less than 0.05 is underlined. All work was done by using MATLAB R2017b program on a computer with Intel Core i7-7700HQ CPU 2.80GHz processor and 16GB Ram in the same conditions. The obtained results of chaos-based WOA algorithms are given in Table 3.

The F1-F7 functions are single-mode functions since they have a single local optimum. These functions allow to evaluate the exploitation phase performance of meta-heuristic algorithms [1]. When Table 3 is examined, it is seen that chaos-based WOA algorithms for F1, F2, F3, F5, and F6 functions all yield better results than the WOA algorithm in terms of mean of the objective function values and their standard deviations. At the same time, when p values are examined, it is observed that these results are significantly different. Although the CWOA1, CWOA3, CWOA4, CWOA7, CWOA9 and CWOA10 for the F4 function give better results on average, the results are not significant when p values are considered. All chaos-based algorithms for F7 function are better in terms of average and standard deviation values, but there is a significant difference only for the CWOA4 algorithm. As a result, chaos-based WOA algorithms perform better for 5 out of the 7 functions, so the performance of the exploitation phase seems to be increased. The graphs of benchmark functions for two dimensions are illustrated in figure 6.

The functions F8-F13 are multimodal functions with more than one local optimum. For this reason, multimodal functions also allow us to evaluate the performance of the exploration phase [1]. When the results are examined, for F8 function in CWOA1 and CWOA8 algorithms, for F10 function in all algorithms except CWOA1, CWAO5 and CWOA7, for F9 function in all algorithms except CWOA1 and CWOA7, for F11 function in all algorithms except CWOA2 and CWOA6, in all algorithms for F12 function and for F13 function in CWOA1, CWOA5, CWOA6 and CWOA8 algorithms, no significant difference is found although better results are obtained than WOA in terms of standard deviation and mean values.

F1	Woa	CWoal	CWoa2	CWoa3	CWoa4	CWoa5	CWoa6	CWoa7	CWoa8	CWoa9	CWoa10
Mean	9,82E-150	1,20E-100									
Sta	5,3/E-149	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
p value	<u>1,/3E-06</u>	<u>1,/3E-06</u>	<u>1,/3E-06</u>	<u>1,73E-06</u>	<u>1,73E-06</u>	<u>1,/3E-06</u>	<u>1,73E-06</u>	<u>1,/3E-06</u>	<u>1,/3E-06</u>	<u>1,/3E-06</u>	<u>1,73E-06</u>
F2	Woa	Cwoal	CWoa2	CWoa3	CW0a4	CW0a5	CW0a6	CWoa/	CWoa8	CW0a9	CWoal0
Mean	4,95E-103	7,41E-108	2,29E-10/	1,21E-108	2,62E-108	1,3/E+105	1,84E-106	4,64E-107	4,95E-106	7,80E+109	7,05E-107
Sta	2,66E-102	2,32E-107	1,0/E+106	6,36E+108	5,97E-108	7,52E-105	6,33E-106	2,4/E-106	1,81E-105	2,2/E+108	2,81E-106
p value	<u>0</u>	0,0007	0.0017	0.0001	0,0014	0,0034	0,0316	0,0001	0,0082	<u>0</u>	0,001 CNV 10
F3	woa	CWoal	CWoa2	CW0a3	CW0a4	CWoa5	CWoa6	CWoa/	CWoa8	CW0a9	CWoald
Mean	20412,19	10500	9600	10600	18100	10000	12400	10700	9420	11900	10600
Sta	11982,64	/006,34	6881,43	6/48,98	5173,25	5821,39	8403,73	8589,64	5665	/441,81	5622,94
p value	<u>0</u>	0,0012	0,0004	0.0006	0,0047	0,0001	0,0093	0,0032	0,001	0,0021	0,0003
F4	woa	CWoal	CWoa2	CW0a3	CW0a4	CW0a5	CW0a6	CWoa/	CW0a8	CW0a9	CWoald
Mean	30,7143	20,899	40,4574	22,2949	28,0525	30,7529	35,6355	25,058	35,439	30,538	27,3173
Std	28,5513	24,5102	28,2303	24,8089	28,085	29,7233	28,8572	24,3903	30,019	27,9364	25,6309
p value	0	0,1714	0,165	0,3389	0,6288	0,9099	0,3493	0,4048	0,544	0,8451	0,8612
F5	Woa	CWoal	CWoa2	CWoa3	CWoa4	CWoa5	CW0a6	CWoa7	CWoa8	CWoa9	CWoal0
Mean	27,2006	26,6553	25,8317	36,6487	26,672	26,6498	26,5722	26,7133	26,6659	26,651	26,606
Std	0,4039	0,4125	4,7743	0,3165	0,2537	0,2566	0,3168	0,478	0,5211	0,2545	0,3113
p value	<u>0</u>	0,0001	0,0001	<u>0</u>	0	0	0	0,0001	0,0005	<u>0</u>	0
F6	Woa	CWoal	CWoa2	CWoa3	CWoa4	CWoa5	CWoa6	CWoa7	CWoa8	CWoa9	CWoal0
Mean	0,0935	0,0045	0,0038	0,0054	0,0034	0,0033	0,0073	0,0031	0,0033	0,004	0,0044
Std	0,1123	0,007	0,0015	0,0047	0,0014	0,0016	0,0199	0,0013	0,0015	0,0026	0,0026
p value	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	0	0	0	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	0
F7	Woa	CWoal	CWoa2	CWoa3	CWoa4	CWoa5	CW0a6	CWoa7	CWoa8	CWoa9	CWoa10
Mean	0,0014	0,0008	0,001	0,001	0,0008	0,0013	0,001	0,0009	0,0009	0,0017	0,0009
Std	0,0016	0,001	0,001	0,001	0,0011	0,0013	0,0013	0,001	0,0008	0,0026	0,0008
p value	0	0,0687	0,102	0,2712	0,0111	0,7655	0,0598	0,0719	0,1986	0,7036	0,0545
F8	Woa	CW0a1	CWoa2	CW0a3	CWoa4	CWoa5	CW0a6	CWoa7	CWoa8	CWoa9	CWoa10
Mean	-11893,89	-11970,86	-11541,29	-11884,6	-11681,34	-11860,94	-11652,51	-11606,59	-12091,77	-11496,99	-11839,47
Std	1174,24	832,63	1424,41	1107,18	1244,34	1184,17	1176,79	1398,24	985,96	1506,79	1231,29
p value	0	0,3709	0,3185	0,8451	0,4048	0,813	0,165	0,4405	0,3185	0,3709	0,8612
F9	Woa	CW0a1	CWoa2	CW0a3	CWoa4	CWoa5	CW0a6	CWoa7	CWoa8	CWoa9	CWoa10
Mean	1,89E-15	5,68E-15	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	5,68E-15	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00
Std	1,04E-14	2,29E-14	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	2,29E-14	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00
p value	1	0,75	1	1	1	1	1	0,75	1	1	1
F10	Woa	CWoal	CWoa2	CW0a3	CWoa4	CWoa5	CW0a6	CWoa7	CWoa8	CWoa9	CWoa10
Mean	4,32E-15	4,80E-15	3,85E-15	3,73E-15	3,73E-15	4,32E-15	3,61E-15	4,44E-15	3,49E-15	3,97E-15	3,97E-15
Std	2,72E-15	2,16E-15	2,10E-15	2,36E-15	2,54E-15	2,55E-15	2,22E-15	2,47E-15	2,79E-15	2,42E-15	2,03E-15
p value	0	0,4986	0,4283	0,3173	0,375	1	0,2435	0,8332	0,1938	0,6076	0,5586
F11	Woa	CW0a1	CWoa2	CW0a3	CWoa4	CWoa5	CW0a6	CWoa7	CWoa8	CWoa9	CWoa10
Mean	0,0013	0,0019	0,001	0,0028	0,0019	0,0068	0	0,0019	0,0033	0,0059	0,0062
Std	0,0071	0,0107	0,0054	0,0106	0,0072	0,0184	0	0,0106	0,0103	0,0206	0,0164
p value	1	1	1	0,75	1	0,125	1	1	0,625	0,375	0,125
F12	Woa	CW0a1	CWoa2	CW0a3	CWoa4	CWoa5	CW0a6	CWoa7	CWoa8	CWoa9	CWoa10
Mean	0,0077	0,001	0,0019	0,0031	0,0015	0,0022	0,0026	0,0016	0,0008	0,0008	0,0027
Std	0,0345	0,0017	0,0035	0,0092	0,0036	0,0043	0,0058	0,0026	0,001	0,0016	0,0102
p value	0	0,1915	0,8612	0,6733	0,1109	0,6884	0,7655	0,813	0,3933	0,1359	0,1714
F13	Woa	CW0a1	CWoa2	CWoa3	CWoa4	CWoa5	CW0a6	CWoa7	CWoa8	CWoa9	CWoa10
Mean	0,0294	0,0251	0,045	0,0614	0,0332	0,023	0,0272	0,0334	0,0276	0,0393	0,0366
Std	0,0304	0,029	0,0424	0,0715	0,0545	0,0222	0,0327	0,0372	0,0267	0,0477	0,0726
p value	0	0,829	0,1254	0,0545	0,9754	0,544	0,36	0,7189	0,5716	0,4653	0,6435

Table 3. Statistical results of chaos-based WOA algorithms



Figure 6. Graph of benchmark functions

Overall, when evaluated, the best performance is shown by the CWOA4 and CWOA8 algorithms, the performance of other algorithms is close to each other, and the performance of the exploitation phase is improved rather than the exploration phase.

#### 4.1. Data Clustering Application

In this section, data clustering problem is solved by combining FCM and the proposed chaos based WOA algorithms. In addition to, the effect of changing the distance function of the FCM algorithm and of the normalization of chaos maps on the data clustering are evaluated.

#### Fuzzy C-Means Algorithm (FCM)

The FCM clustering divides a given set of n elements of  $X = \{x_1, x_2, ..., x_n\}$  data into c fuzzy sets [48]. A vector  $v_i = [v_1, v_2, ..., v_c]$ , represents the *i*th cluster center. Each data sample has a membership degree represented by the membership matrix. The sum of the membership grades of all the clusters of a dataset should be 1. If data is closest to that cluster, then the membership level of the cluster will be larger. The membership matrix is represented as follows [48].

$$\sum_{i=1}^{c} U_{ij} = 1 \qquad j = 1, 2, \dots n \tag{12}$$

The FCM algorithm is an objective function-based algorithm that tries to minimize the following objective function, which is the generalization of the least squares method [48].

$$J_m(U,V) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^c U_{ij}^m \|x_i - v_j\|^2 , \quad 1 \le m < \infty$$
<sup>(13)</sup>

The algorithm is initiated by the random assignment of the membership matrix. Then cluster centers are calculated according to Equation 3 [48].

$$v_j = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} u_{ij}^m x_i}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} u_{ij}^m}$$
(14)

According to the calculated cluster centers, U matrix is updated using the following formula [48].

$$U_{ij} = \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^{c} \left(\frac{\|x_i - v_i\|}{\|x_i - v_k\|}\right)^{2/(m-1)}}$$
(15)

The above operations are repeated until the difference between the old matrix and the new matrix is smaller than stopping criteria ( $\varepsilon$ ).

In FCM algorithm, distance of data to cluster centers is measured by Euclidean distance function which is the shortest distance between two points. The distance between point A and point B is calculated by the following formula, where  $A(x_1, y_1)$  and  $B(x_2, y_2)$  are two different

points in a plane [52].

$$d_{oklid} = \sqrt{(x_1 - x_2)^2 + (y_1 - y_2)^2}$$
(16)

There are many different techniques for calculating the distance between two points. The suitability of the selected technique may vary according to the nature of the given data and the size of the data set [53]. Since the Euclidean distance is not always efficient in complex shapes [54], in this study Chebyshev distance is selected as the distance function of the FCM algorithm rather than Euclidean distance. The Chebyshev distance is the number of chess moves that must be made to pass another square in the chessboard. Thus, it is also known as the distance of the chessboard. The distance between the points  $A(x_1, y_1)$  and  $B(x_2, y_2)$  is calculated by the distance function Chebyshev as [52]:

 $d_{chebvshev} = max(|x_1 - x_2|, |y_1 - y_2|)$ (17)

#### 4.2. Data Clustering with FCM and CWOA Algorithms

Data clustering aims to cluster a data set that composed of a number of data rows in a certain number of clusters according to the ratio of their similarities to each other. A data row can include several features in its columns according to the properties of the data set. In this study the population matrix X for the FCM-CWOA algorithms are defined as follows:

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & \cdots & x_{1,cxk} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{n1} & \cdots & x_{n,cxk} \end{bmatrix}$$
(18)

where n is the number of elements in the data set, k is the number of features in the k data set, and c is the number of clusters. Each row of the matrix X represents a candidate cluster centers and FCM-CWOA algorithms tries to minimize the FCM objective function. The pseudo code of the FCM-CWOA algorithms are given in Figure 7.

Start the whale population,  $X_i$  (i = 1, 2, ..., n), with randomly generated cluster centers Calculate FCM objective function for each candidate cluster center  $X^*$ : the best cluster centers While (t<maximum iteration) For each candidate cluster center update a, A, C, l, P update membership matrix U update the location of the current cluster center according to p. end for Check if that any candidate cluster center has exceeded the research space and correct it. Calculate FCM objective function for each candidate cluster center Update  $X^*$  if there is a better solution. t=t+1 end while back to  $X^*$ 

Figure 7. The pseudo code of the FCM-CWOA Algorithms

## 4.3. Evaluation Criteria

In order to evaluate the performance of the proposed algorithm on solving data clustering problem, in this study the Rand and the Adjusted Rand Indexes are used.

#### Rand and Adjusted Rand Index

The Rand index, which calculates the similarity ratio between two clusters, is one of the most commonly used indices. It calculates the accuracy of clustering by finding how similar new clusters are to the actual clusters after clustering. The Rand Index is calculated using the following formula [55]:

$$RI = (n_s + n_d)/N \tag{19}$$

where  $n_s$  is the number of point pairs assigned to the same cluster,  $n_d$  is the number of pairs of points assigned to different clusters, and N is the number of all pairs of points in the dataset. If the two sets being compared are exactly the same, the Rand Index is 1 and if it is completely different, or if it contains a single element, the Rand Index is 0 [55].

The Adjusted Rand Index is the corrected version of the Rand Index. Similarity calculations based on estimation. The Adjusted Rand index gets -1 in the worst estimate and gets 1 the best estimate. The Adjusted Rand Index is calculated by the following formula [56].

$$ARI = \frac{a_i - b_i}{\max(a_i) - b_i} \tag{20}$$

where  $a_i$  is the current index value,  $b_i$  is the expected index value, and max  $(a_i)$  is the maximum index value.

#### 4.4. Experimental Results

Each of the CWOA1, CWOA2..., CWOA10 algorithms were hybridized to the FCM algorithm and data clustering algorithms, named FCM-CWOA1, FCM-CWOA2..., FCM-CWOA10, were proposed. In section 3.1, it was mentioned that the chaos maps used were passed through an adaptive normalization process. For better understanding of effect of this normalization process, data clustering was performed with chaotic WOA algorithms integrated with non-normalized chaos maps. These hybrid algorithms were named CWOA1\*, CWOA2\*..., CWOA10\*. In addition, to avoid the existing disadvantages of the Euclidean distance, all distances in the FCM algorithm was calculated with the Chebyshev distance function. And the revised FCM algorithm was integrated with chaotic WOA algorithms and proposed new hybrid algorithms called FCWOA1-c, FCWOA2-c..., FCWOA10-c. Clustering performance of the FCM-WOA, FCM-CWOA and FCWOA-c algorithms was evaluated with six different data sets selected from the UCI Machine Learning Repository. These data sets have the following characteristics; Iris dataset that has 150 data with 4 attributes, Balance Scale dataset has 625 data with 4 attributes, User Modeling dataset has 403 data with 5 attributes, Breast Cancer dataset has 699 data with 10 attributes, Seeds dataset has 210 data with 7 attributes, Fertility dataset has 100 data with 10 attributes. Proposed algorithms were compared with each other, K-Means, FCM, FCMALO, FCMGWO, FCMPSO and FCMSCA algorithms. ALO, GWO, PSO and GWO algorithms were hybridized with FCM in the same way as the WOA algorithm. All algorithms have been run 30 times. In the all of the algorithms parameter of m has been selected as 2, maximum number of iterations as 1000 and population size as 50. The closeness of the clustering results of algorithms to the real results was tested with two indexes, Rand Index and Adjusted Rand Index, which are frequently used in the literature. All the work is done under the same conditions as the Intel Core i7-7700HO CPU with a 2.80GHz processor and 16 GB Ram on a computer with MATLAB R2017b program. The obtained results are shown in Table 4-6.

Table 4 shows that in most cases the proposed algorithms give better results than the compared algorithms. When the mean benchmark function, mean Rand Index and mean Adjusted Rand Index values for the Iris dataset are examined, it is seen that all of FCWOA-c algorithms give better results. Although the best maximum index values are obtained by FCMSCA algorithm, the average index values are low. The FCWOA-c algorithms for the Balance Scale dataset yield better results in terms of benchmark function, but only FCWOA2, FCWOA4,

FCWOA6, and FCWOA7 algorithms perform well in terms of mean index values. Also, the clustering performance of the FCMWOA algorithm is significantly better than the FCM. For the User Modeling dataset, the FCMWOA algorithm yield better results than other algorithms. Although FCWOA-c algorithms have minimized the objective function better, it seems that this situation has no effect on clustering accuracy. In addition, the best clustering for this dataset is performed by FCM, FCMALO, FCMPSO, and FCMGWO algorithms. In the Breast Cancer dataset, although the FCM algorithm minimized the benchmark function better, K-means is observed to have higher clustering accuracy. In addition, the best result for maximum index values is obtained by FCWOA3-c algorithm. As for Seeds dataset, the maximum index values in all of the proposed algorithms are higher than the compared algorithms. However, FCWOA2-c, FCWOA7-c and FCWOA9-c algorithms have low mean index values. Lastly, in the Fertility dataset, all of the FCWOA-c algorithms are better than the other algorithms in terms of average benchmark function, maximum and mean index values. Though the aim is to minimize the benchmark function, it is important to note that the benchmark function is not critical in comparing the data clustering results since the distance function is changed here. While the benchmark function values are good, index values may be low.

Result	ts Algorithm	K-Means	FCM	FCMPSO	FCMALO	FCMGWO	FCMSCA	FCMWOA	FCWOA1-e	FCWOA2-c	FCWOA3-c	FCWOA4-c	FCWOA5-c	FCWOA6-c	FCWOA7-c	FCWOA8-c	FCW0A9-c	FCW0A10-c
	Benchmark						•				• • • •		•				•	•
	Function	91,6319	60,5057	60,5057	60,5057	61,4973	105,1161	63,0240	37,2824	37,7335	37,7014	37,8305	37,3291	37,0239	37,4434	36,8744	37,3076	36,8381
10	RI (Max)	0,8797	0,8797	0,8797	0,8797	0,8797	0.9412	0,9195	0.9195	0,9267	0,9055	0,9195	0,9124	0,9124	0,9124	0.9124	0,9341	0,9195
Ā	RI (Mean)	0.8481	0,8797	0.8797	0.8797	0.8785	0,8359	0.8788	0,8923	0,8894	0,8860	0,8897	0,8894	0,8948	0,8893	0,8942	0,8936	0,8942
	ARI (Max)	0,7302	0,7294	0,7294	0,7294	0,7294	0,8672	0,8180	0,8176	0,8343	0,7860	0,8176	0,8015	0,8022	0,8015	0,8019	0,8512	0,8176
	ARI	0,6708	0,7294	0,7294	0,7294	0,7268	0,6476	0,7283	0,7571	0,7523	0,7437	0,7529	0,7511	0,7624	0,7507	0,7609	0,7599	0,7611
	Benchmark																	
, ă	Function (Mean)	3491,65	1666,66	1666,66	1666,6691	1666,67	1710,64	1667,03	756,64	757,17	755,40	757,69	756,78	757,74	756,51	757,18	759,91	758,74
1	RI (Max)	0,6855	0,7078	0,7497	0,6954	0,7247	0,7158	0,7028	0,7448	0,7833	0,6484	0,7906	0,7883	0,7233	0,8777	0,6892	0,6494	0,7402
3	RI (Mean)	0,5844	0,5758	0,5846	0,5827	0,5811	0,5858	0,6091	0,5823	0,5908	0,5686	0,6148	0,5748	0,5943	0,5904	0,5766	0,5784	0,5772
2	ARI (Max)	0,3401	0,387	0,4935	0,3647	0,4270	0,4046	0,3794	0,4808	0,5589	0,2686	0,5646	0,5603	0,4282	0,7500	0,3584	0,2729	0,4590
12	ARI	0,1286	0,1169	0,1430	0,1277	0,1241	0,1322	0,1809	0,1364	0,1487	0,1024	0,2008	0,1178	0,1575	0,1506	0,1211	0,1262	0,1216
	(Mean) Benchmark																	
1	Function	25,1014	11,0557	11,0555	11,0557	11,0719	13,0972	11,0961	4,9792	4,9889	5,0116	4,9937	4,9990	5,0140	4,9937	4,9898	5,0035	4,9846
<b>e</b>	RI (Max)	0.7557	0.7659	0.7546	0.7700	0.7698	0.7780	0.7973	0.7336	0.7358	0.7420	0.7477	0.7420	0.7352	0.7664	0.7332	0.7568	0.7291
	RI (Mean)	0.7171	0.7534	0.7501	0.7508	0.7514	0.6889	0,7610	0.7120	0.7054	0.7024	0.7094	0.7062	0.7054	0.7067	0.7054	0.7080	0.7091
- Per	ARI (Max)	0.3625	0 3936	0.3574	0.4169	0.4107	0.4192	0.4732	0.3325	0.3611	0.3808	0.3760	0.3555	0.3683	0.4417	0.3189	0.3577	0.3294
2	ARI	0.2647	0.2555	0.2428	0.2464	0.2496	0.2019	0.2005	0.2812	0.2236	0.2712	0.2802	0.2260	0.2256	0.2786	0.2710	0.2799	0.2760
-	(Mean)	0,2047		0,3438	0,3404	0,5480	0,2048	0,0000	0,2813	0,2750	0,2113	0,2805	0,2109	0,2730	0,2780	0,2719	0,2189	0,2707
19	Function (Mean)	19323,17	14916,68	14916,68	14916,68	14916,74	17796,01	14923,07	5395,92	5620,80	5429,89	5421,45	5397,81	5344,28	5491,01	5490,57	5456,20	5469,72
2	RI (Max)	0,924	0,9159	0,9159	0,9159	0,9159	0,9403	0,9213	0,9132	0,9213	0,9458	0,9321	0,9321	0,9240	0,9294	0,9159	0,9294	0,9321
1	RI (Mean)	0,924	0,9159	0,9159	0,9159	0,9159	0,9098	0,9166	0,8520	0,8411	0,8534	0,8177	0,8362	0,8690	0,8741	0,8426	0,8301	0,8729
i i i	ARI (Max)	0,8465	0,83	0,8300	0,8300	0,8300	0,8797	0,8409	0,8247	0,8414	0,8909	0,8631	0,8631	0,8465	0,8577	0,8302	0,8575	0,8631
Bea 1	ARI	0,8465	0,83	0,8300	0,8300	0,8300	0,8175	0,8315	0,6970	0,6718	0,6984	0,6184	0,6604	0,7312	0,7414	0,6733	0,6515	0,7396
	Benchmark																	
ж	Function (Mean)	588,048	414,6639	414,6639	414,7314	414,9329	683,2851	461,0920	301,3388	304,1829	301,6898	301,9656	301,8779	302,1744	301,7212	301,2437	302,1187	301,2629
5	RI (Max)	0,8714	0,8714	0,8714	0,8714	0,8714	0,8866	0,8870	0,8872	0,8874	0,8874	0,8872	0,8872	0,8867	0,8867	0,8922	0,8874	0,8872
9	RI (Mean)	0,8698	0,8714	0,8714	0,8714	0,8714	0,8096	0,8700	0,8750	0,8694	0,8744	0,8754	0,8739	0,8730	0,8713	0,8751	0,8712	0,8758
8	ARI (Max)	0,7093	0,7093	0,7093	0,7093	0,7093	0,7432	0,7443	0,7446	0,7454	0,7454	0,7446	0,7446	0,7434	0,7434	0,7560	0,7454	0,7446
	ARI	0.7059	0.7093	0.7093	0.7093	0.7093	0.5786	0.7062	0.7170	0.7048	0.7158	0.7180	0.7145	0.7127	0.7089	0.7173	0.7087	0.7189
-	(Mean) Benchmark								-,		.,		-,	.,		-,		4,100
8	Function	176,0189	114,661	114,3693	114,3835	114,7361	124,1806	114,9374	48,2492	47,7413	48,1061	48,2210	48,0398	47,6823	48,5084	48,1217	47,9559	47,6222
1	(Mean) RI (Max)	0 5533	0.5	0.5000	0.5113	0.5345	0.5467	0.5467	0.6472	0.6422	0.7149	0.6533	0.7568	0.6648	0.7568	0.6891	0.7149	0.7018
5	RI (Mean)	0.526	0.5	0,5000	0.5005	0.5129	0.5113	0.5152	0.5309	0.5266	0.5272	0.5358	0.5485	0.5348	0.5444	0.5478	0.5366	0.5325
1 🖗	ARI (Max)	0.0633	0.0037	0.0037	0.0172	0.0427	0.0559	0.0773	0.1450	0.1899	0.0979	0.0863	0.1301	0.1991	0.0984	0.0884	0.0795	0.0757
2	ARI	0.0373	0.0037	0.0037	0.0040	0.0000	0.0048	0.0170	0.0100	0.0113	0.0000	0.0070	0.0240	0.0000	0.0204	0.0100	0.0188	0.0100

Table 4. The data clustering results of the proposed algorithms

Therefore, Rand and Adjust Rand index values are considered as priorities when evaluating the results. In order to better observe the effect of the distance function on data clustering Table 4, Table 5 and Table 6 should be considered together. 5 out of the FCM-CWOA algorithms for the Iris dataset yield better than FCM, while all of FCWOA-c algorithms are better than FCM. 8 out of the FCM-CWOA algorithms for Balance Scale dataset perform better than FCM but with a minor difference. 4 out of FCWOA-c algorithms are significantly better than FCM for this dataset. In User Modeling dataset, all FCM-CWOA algorithms are better than FCM, however, FCWOA-c algorithms are far behind the FCM in terms of clustering performance. No performance improvement is observed in the FCM-CWOA algorithms for the Seeds dataset. Contrary to this, 7 out of the FCWOA-c algorithms in the Fertility dataset are not better than K-Means, but

perform slightly better than FCM. Namely, it observed that performance of FCWOA-c algorithms is better than FCM-CWOA algorithms.

As a result, it can be said that changing the distance function has a positive effect on the clustering performance. Comparison of clustering results of FCM-CWOA and FCM-CWOA\* algorithms are given in Table 5 and Table 6. When the results are examined, it is seen that normalization of chaos functions increases the data clustering performance of algorithms. For example, FCM-CWOA\* algorithms in Iris and Breast Cancer datasets have very good results in maximum index values but average index values are low. That is, algorithms can achieve good results in only a few of 30 consecutive runs. It is observed that normalization of chaos functions increases the number of successful results by making this situation more stable. Although there is a similar case for the User Modeling and Seeds dataset, FCM-CWOA algorithms are by far better than FCM-CWOA\* algorithms. In contrast to these examples, the use of non-normalized chaos functions in the Balance Scale and Fertility datasets are more useful and FCM-CWOA\* algorithms successfully clusters most of the dataset tested and show better clustering performance than the compared algorithms.

Clustering Results		Iris	Dataset			1	Scale Dat		User Modeling Dataset						
Used Algorithm	Benchmark Function (Mean)	RI (Max)	RI (Mean)	ARI (Mar)	ARI (Mean)	Benchmark Function (Mean)	RI (Mar)	RI (Mean)	ARI (Mar)	ARI (Mean)	Benchmark Function (Mean)	RI (Max)	RI (Mean)	ARI (Max)	ARI (Mean)
FCM- CWOA1	60,8670	0,8859	0,8820	0,7430	0,7344	1667,0587	0,6937	0,5887	0,3574	0,1379	11,0851	0,8175	0,7574	0,5223	0,3747
FCM- CWOA1*	88,6650	0,9407	0,8428	0,8658	0,6624	1667,3975	0,7201	0,5997	0,4131	0,1633	11,5920	0,7586	0,6910	0,3620	0,1973
FCM- CWOA2	61,7569	0,8859	0,8785	0,7430	0,7270	1667,0190	0,6736	0,5896	0,3152	0,1404	11,0809	0,8022	0,7620	0,4834	0,3815
FCM- CWOA2*	95,7630	0,9055	0,8278	0,7874	0,6346	1668,4020	0,7061	0,5963	0,3842	0,1555	11,5951	0,7641	0,6959	0,3822	0,2076
FCM- CWOA3	60,9428	0,8859	0,8796	0,7430	0,7291	1667,0225	0,7170	0,5867	0,4062	0,1338	11,0873	0,7937	0,7535	0,4709	0,3601
FCM- CWOA3*	91,2052	0,9251	0,8471	0,8305	0,6705	1679,6410	0,6778	0,5719	0,3240	0,1030	11,8353	0,7529	0,6904	0,3450	0,1902
FCM- CWOA4	62,6398	0,8859	0,8777	0,7430	0,7255	1667,0123	0,6791	0,5985	0,3266	0,1593	11,1069	0,8060	0,7620	0,4947	0,3844
FCM- CWOA4*	93,7571	0,9570	0,8370	0,9025	0,6499	1667,7986	0,6885	0,5851	0,3478	0,1316	11,6144	0,7570	0,6729	0,3848	0,1589
FCM- CWOA5	61,9013	0,9124	0,8806	0,8017	0,7316	1667,0198	0,6763	0,5894	0,3229	0,1399	11,0884	0,7983	0,7589	0,4715	<b>0,3</b> 775
FCM- CWOA5*	89,5217	<b>0,9</b> 575	0,8419	0,9037	0,6607	1667,3871	0,8345	0,6061	0,6575	0,1760	11,6246	0,7787	0,6927	0,4189	0,2037
FCM- CWOA6	60,8410	0,8859	0,8818	0,7430	0,7340	1667,0216	0,6942	0,5904	0,3602	0,1434	11,0998	0,8068	0,7602	0,4957	0,3787
FCM- CWOA6*	92,7244	0,9491	0,8182	0,8847	0,6145	1667,8758	0,6839	0,5841	0,3371	0,1292	11,6477	0,7554	0,6861	0,3745	0,1870
FCM- CWOA7	62,4198	0,9055	0,8783	0,7874	0,7267	1667,0350	0,7165	0,5888	0,4053	0,1385	11,0948	0,7988	0,7613	0,4820	0,3825
FCM- CWOA7*	88,9898	0,9412	0,8317	0,8668	0,6424	1667,5606	0,6873	0,5982	0,3492	0,1596	11,6191	0,7729	0,6942	0,4029	0,2091
FCM- CWOA8	61,0186	0,9195	0,8817	0,8176	0,7337	1667,0207	0,6433	0,5802	0,2514	0,1211	11,0835	0,8066	0,7625	0,4926	0,3838
FCM- CWOA8*	92,3732	0,9055	0,8234	0,7874	0,6256	1667,3573	0,7218	0,5996	0,4173	0,1632	11,6422	0,7850	0,6948	0,4449	0,2063
FCM- CWOA9	61,8857	0,8859	0,8779	0,7437	0,7258	1667,0041	0,7025	0,5860	0,3773	0,1329	11,0904	0,7996	0,7618	0,4846	0,3813
FCM- CWOA9*	89,0862	0,9571	0,8476	0,9029	0,6703	1667,4367	0,7033	0,6006	0,3801	0,1654	11,5918	0,7542	0,6886	0,3599	0,1978
FCM- CWOA10	60,8742	0,8859	0,8810	0,7437	0,7322	1667,0201	0,7050	0,5798	0,3808	0,1205	11,1072	0,8218	0,7613	0,5383	0,3852
FCM- CWOA10*	86,6334	0,9328	0,8480	0,8480	0,6704	1667,7593	0,6724	0,5814	0,3126	0,1232	11,6719	0,7581	0,6923	0,3862	0,1995

Table 5. Comparison of clustering results of FCM-CWOA and FCM\_CWOA\* algorithms

Clustering Results	B	reast Ca	nucer Da	taset			s Datase			Fertili	ty Datas	et			
Used Algorithm	Benchmark Function (Mean)	RI (Max)	RI (Mean)	ARI (Max)	ARI (Mean)	Benchmark Function (Mean)	RI (Max)	RI (Mean)	ARI (Max)	ARI (Mean)	Benchmark Function (Mean)	RI (Max)	RI (Mean)	ARI (Max)	ARI (Mean)
FCM- CWOA1	14923,8657	0,9186	0,9165	0,8355	0,8313	463,1330	0,8815	0,8695	0,7317	0,7051	114,5881	0,5345	0,5112	0,0458	0,0154
FCM- CWOA1*	22438,1048	0,9348	0,8631	0,8686	0,7241	575,2815	0,8765	0,8124	0,7207	0,5814	121,1339	0,5404	0,5119	0,0526	0,0088
FCM- CWOA2	14924,9914	0,9186	0,9162	0,8355	0,0499	466,7510	0,8771	0,8679	0,7223	0,7015	114,7031	0,5345	0,5125	0,0526	0,0167
FCM- CWOA2*	21496,3161	0,9348	0,9032	0,8685	0,8046	567,5886	0,8773	0,8096	0,7226	0,5776	120,5363	0,5533	0,5156	0,0676	0,0218
FCM- CWOA3	14925,4253	0,9213	0,9171	0,8409	0,0521	466,0527	0,8765	0,8698	0,7207	0,7057	114,5549	0,5533	0,5089	0,0633	0,0109
FCM- CWOA3*	20531,2940	0,9403	0,9026	0,8797	0,8033	558,0882	0,8765	0,8174	0,7207	0,5939	122,1372	0,5533	0,5111	0,0758	0,0141
FCM- CWOA4	14924,6271	0,9186	0,9167	0,8355	0,0713	469,2325	0,8771	0,8688	0,7223	0,7035	114,6061	0,5467	0,5109	0,0606	0,0151
FCM- CWOA4*	20791,3852	0,9376	0,9135	0,8742	0,8251	568,1740	0,8770	0,8063	0,7216	0,5683	120,7442	0,5840	0,5215	0,1059	0,0195
FCM- CWOA5	14923,7750	0,9186	0,9168	0,8355	0,0553	462,3616	0,8780	0,8686	0,7243	0,7029	114,6183	0,5467	0,5147	0,0676	0,0199
FCM- CWOA5*	21177,1687	0,9348	0,8847	0,8686	0,7657	585,7823	0,8765	0,8009	0,7207	0,5595	120,9781	0,5467	0,5159	0,0559	0,0167
FCM- CWOA6	14923,3290	0,9186	0,9165	0,8355	0,0633	460,8005	0,8822	0,8672	0,7336	0,6998	114,5884	0,5404	0,5109	0,0501	0,0154
FCM- CWOA6*	22354,1561	0,9458	0,8796	0,8909	0,7557	567,3689	0,8879	0,8162	0,7467	0,5892	121,7493	0,5604	0,5168	0,0845	0,0170
FCM- CWOA7	14924,2188	0,9186	0,9168	0,8355	0,0613	460,3581	0,8765	0,8690	0,7207	0,7038	114,6854	0,5467	0,5093	0,0773	0,0162
FCM- CWOA7*	21365,4721	0,9403	0,9093	0,8797	0,8167	544,2650	0,8864	0,8289	0,7428	0,6161	119,8872	0,5533	0,5184	0,0633	0,0166
FCM- CWOA8	14926,9324	0,9213	0,9165	0,8409	0,0553	464,0310	0,8870	0,8691	0,7443	0,7040	114,6718	0,5404	0,5098	0,0491	0,0148
FCM- CWOA8*	21282,4620	0,9403	0,9097	0,8797	0,8176	576,1721	0,8735	0,8149	0,7147	0,5876	119,5880	0,5679	0,5075	0,0687	0,0053
FCM- CWOA9	14926,3224	0,9213	0,9170	0,8409	0,0392	300,7128	0,8819	0,8722	0,7327	0,7108	115,0477	0,5345	0,5105	0,0529	0,0103
FCM- CWOA9*	21955,8029	0,9458	0,8989	0,8908	0,7949	562,4678	0,8781	0,8178	0,7250	0,5942	121,2436	0,5604	0,5200	0,0959	0,0194
FCM- CWOA10	14924,0029	0,9213	0,9167	0,8409	0,0511	464,4170	0,8870	0,8707	0,7443	0,7078	114,5994	0,5345	0,5135	0,0606	0,0197
FCM- CWOA10*	22181,2992	0,9403	0,8638	0,8796	0,7244	570,7439	0,8922	0,8265	0,7558	0,6135	121,4080	0,5467	0,5124	0,0559	0,0068

Table 6. Comparison of clustering results of FCM-CWOA and FCM\_CWOA\* algorithms

#### **5. CONCLUSION**

In this paper, the Whale Optimization Algorithm (WOA), a global optimization algorithm inspired by the hunting behavior of humpback whales, has been hybridized with the Fuzzy C-Means (FCM) algorithm after its performance was improved with chaos maps using an adaptive normalization method. To improve the performance of the WOA algorithm, a randomly selected parameter of the algorithm (a) was modified with 10 different chaos maps which each collected with a value after normalization process. And chaotic WOA algorithms were proposed. The performances of these algorithms were evaluated in terms of mean benchmark function, standard deviation, and Wilcoxon Sign Rank Test at 0.05 significance level and they were tested with 13 different benchmark functions. In addition, hybrid data clustering algorithms were developed by integrating FCM with proposed chaotic algorithms. In order to increase the data clustering performance of the proposed hybrid algorithms, all the distances in the FCM algorithm were calculated by using the Chebyshev distance function instead of Euclidean and the new hybrid clustering algorithms were proposed. The clustering performances of the hybrid data clustering algorithms were measured with the benchmark function, Rand Index and Adjusted Rand Index values for 7 different datasets selected from the UCI Repository database and then compared with the K-means, FCM, FCMWOA, FCMPSO, FCMALO, FCMGWO and FCMSCA algorithms. Also, the effect of changing the distance function of the FCM algorithm and of the normalization

of chaos maps on the data clustering were evaluated. As a result, it has been seen that chaos functions improve the optimization performance of WOA algorithm, integrating chaotic WOA algorithms with FCM algorithm improves disadvantages of FCM algorithm, changing distance function increases clustering performance of algorithms.

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