

## ON $f$ -STATISTICAL CONVERGENCE IN RANDOM 2-NORMED SPACES

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**ABSTRACT.** The idea of  $f$ -statistical convergence was introduced in Aizpuru et al. [2] and since then several generalizations and applications of this concept have been investigated by various authors. Recently Gürdal and Özgür [12] and Borgohain [4] studied  $f$ -statistical convergence in probabilistic normed space, and the generalized statistical convergence via moduli in normed space, respectively. In this paper we propose to study  $f$ -statistical convergence in random 2-normed space which seems to be a quite new and interesting idea.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

The probabilistic metric space was studied by Menger [20], which is an interesting and important generalization of the notion of a metric space. The theory of probabilistic normed (or metric) spaces was initiated and developed in [3, 25, 26, 27, 28] and, it was further extended to random/probabilistic 2-normed space by Golet [13] using the concept of 2-norm which is defined by Gähler [14, 15] and Gürdal and Pehlivan [10] studied statistical convergence in 2-normed spaces. Also, statistical convergence in 2-Banach spaces was studied by Gürdal and Pehlivan in [11]. Quite recently in [23, 24], generalized statistical convergence was studied for sequence spaces in probabilistic normed space by Savaş and Gürdal.

The concept of the statistical convergence of a sequence of real  $S = \{s_n\}$  was first introduced by Fast [7] (see also [30]) as follows: let  $A$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{N}$ . Then the asymptotic density of  $A$  denoted by  $\delta(A) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : k \in A\}|$ , where the vertical bars denote the cardinality of the enclosed set. A sequence  $S = \{s_n\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  is said to converge statistically to  $s$  and we write  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = s$  (*stat*) if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : |s_k - s| \geq \varepsilon\}| = 0.$$

Properties of statistically convergent sequences were studied in [5, 8, 9, 18]. In [18], Kolk begins to study the applications of statistical convergence to Banach spaces. In [5] there are important results that relate the statistical convergence to classical properties of Banach spaces.

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We recall that  $f : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  is called modulus function, or simply modulus, if it satisfies:

- (1)  $f(s) = 0$  if and only if  $s = 0$ .
- (2)  $f(s + p) \leq f(s) + f(p)$  for every  $s, p \in \mathbb{R}^+$
- (3)  $f$  is increasing.
- (4)  $f$  is continuous from the right at 0.

From these properties it is clear that a modulus function must be continuous on  $\mathbb{R}^+$ . Examples of modulus functions are  $f(s) = \frac{s}{1+s}$  and  $f(s) = s^p$  ( $0 < p \leq 1$ ).

The notion of a modulus function was introduced by Nakano [22], Maddox [19] have introduced and discussed some properties of sequence space defined by using modulus function.

In this note we intend to unify these two approaches and define and study  $f$ -statistical convergence in random 2-normed spaces which is quite a new and interesting idea to work with.

## 2. DEFINITIONS AND NOTATIONS

First we recall some of the basic concepts, which will be used in this paper. All the concepts listed below are studied by Aizpuru et al. [2].

Let  $f$  be an unbounded modulus function. The  $f$ -density of a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$  is defined by

$$\delta_f(A) = \lim_n \frac{f(|A(n)|)}{f(n)}$$

in case this limit exists.

Let  $X$  be a normed space and let  $(s_n)_n$  be a sequence in  $X$ . We will say that the  $f$ -statistical limit of  $(s_n)_n$  is  $s \in X$ , and write  $f$ - $st \lim s_n = s$ , if for each  $\varepsilon > 0$  we have  $\delta_f(\{i \in \mathbb{N} : \|s_i - s\| > \varepsilon\}) = 0$ .

Note that if  $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$  is finite we have that there exist  $n_0, p \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|A(n)| = p$  if  $n \geq n_0$  and it will be  $\delta_f(A) = 0$  for each unbounded  $f$ . Therefore, if  $\lim s_n = s$  and  $f$  is an unbounded modulus function then  $f$ - $st \lim s_n = s$ .

It is straightforward to see that  $f$ - $st \lim (s_n + p_n) = f$ - $st \lim s_n + f$ - $st \lim p_n$  and  $\alpha f$ - $st \lim s_n = f$ - $st \lim \alpha s_n$ , whenever  $\alpha \in \mathbb{K}$  and the limits on the right sides exist. Also, it is easy to prove that for  $X = \mathbb{K}$  we have  $f$ - $st \lim s_i p_i = f$ - $st \lim s_i f$ - $st \lim p_i$ .

Although it is quite clear that  $\delta(A) = 1 - \delta(\mathbb{N} \setminus A)$  whenever one of the sides exist, the situation is a bit different for unbounded moduli. First, assume  $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$  and  $\delta_f(A) = 0$ . For every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$f(n) \leq f(|A(n)|) + f(|(\mathbb{N} \setminus A)(n)|)$$

and so

$$1 \leq \frac{f(|A(n)|)}{f(n)} + \frac{f(|(\mathbb{N} \setminus A)(n)|)}{f(n)} \leq \frac{f(|A(n)|)}{f(n)} + 1.$$

By taking limits we deduce that  $\delta_f(\mathbb{N} \setminus A) = 1$ . On the other hand, the naturally expected reciprocal is false:

**Example 1.** Let  $f(x) = \log(x+1)$ . If  $E = \{n^2 : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  and  $O = \mathbb{N} \setminus A$  then we have  $\delta_f(E) = \delta_f(O) = 1$ . Moreover, if  $S = \{n^2 : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  then  $\delta_f(S) = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\delta_f(\mathbb{N} \setminus S) = 1$  and so  $f$ - $st \lim \chi_{(n)}$  does not even exist, whereas  $st \lim \chi_{(n)} = 0$ .

Let us note that for any unbounded modulus  $f$  and any  $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$  we have that  $\delta_f(A) = 0$  implies  $\delta(A) = 0$ . Indeed, if  $\delta_f(A) = 0$  then for every  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  there exists

$n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that if  $n \geq n_0$  then  $f(|A(n)|) \leq \frac{1}{p}f(n) \leq \frac{1}{p}pf\left(\frac{1}{p}n\right) = f\left(\frac{1}{p}n\right)$ , which implies  $|A(n)| \leq \frac{1}{p}n$  and so  $\delta(A) = 0$ .

The concept of 2-normed spaces was introduced and studied by Siegfried Gähler, a German Mathematician who worked at German Academy of Science, Berlin, in a series of paper in German language published in *Mathematische Nachrichten*, see for example references [6, 14, 16]. This notion which is nothing but a two dimensional analogue of a normed space got the attention of a wider audience after the publication of a paper by Albert George, White Jr. of USA in 1969 entitled 2-Banach spaces [31]. In the same year Gähler published another paper on this theme in the same journal [16]. A.H. Siddiqi delivered a series of lectures on this theme in various conferences in India and Iran. His joint paper with S. Gähler et al. [17] of 1975 also provide valuable results related to the theme of this paper. Results up to 1977 were summarized in the survey paper by Siddiqi [29]. A 2-normed space is a pair  $(X, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$ , where  $X$  is a linear space of a dimension greater than one and  $\|\cdot, \cdot\|$  is a real valued mapping on  $X \times X$  such that the following conditions be satisfied:

- (i)  $\|x, y\| = 0$  if and only if  $x$  and  $y$  are linearly dependent
- (ii)  $\|x, y\| = \|y, x\|$  for all  $x, y \in X$ ,
- (iii)  $\|\alpha x, y\| = |\alpha| \|x, y\|$ , whenever  $x, y \in X$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ,
- (iv)  $\|x, y + z\| \leq \|x, y\| + \|x, z\|$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

As an example of a 2-normed space we may take  $X = \mathbb{R}^2$  being equipped with the 2-norm  $\|x, y\| :=$  the area of the parallelogram spanned by the vectors  $x$  and  $y$ , which may be given explicitly by the formula

$$\|x, y\| = |x_1y_2 - x_2y_1|, \quad x = (x_1, x_2), \quad y = (y_1, y_2).$$

Observe that in any 2-normed space  $(X, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$  we have  $\|x, y\| \geq 0$  and  $\|x, y + \alpha x\| = \|x, y\|$  for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ . Also, if  $x, y$  and  $z$  are linearly dependent, then  $\|x, y + z\| = \|x, y\| + \|x, z\|$  or  $\|x, y - z\| = \|x, y\| + \|x, z\|$ . Given a 2-normed space  $(X, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$ , one can derive a topology for it via the following definition of the limit of a sequence: a sequence  $(x_n)$  in  $X$  is said to be convergent to  $x$  in  $X$  if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - x, y\| = 0$  for every  $y \in X$ .

Now we recall some of the basic concepts related to PN spaces, and we refer to [25, 26] for more details.

**Definition 1.** Let  $\mathbb{R}$  denote the set of real numbers,  $\mathbb{R}_+ = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \geq 0\}$  and  $S = [0, 1]$  the closed unit interval. A mapping  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow S$  is called a distribution function if it is non-decreasing and left continuous with  $\inf_{t \in \mathbb{R}} f(t) = 0$  and  $\sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} f(t) = 1$ .

We denote the set of all distribution functions by  $D^+$  such that  $f(0) = 0$ . If  $a \in \mathbb{R}_+$ , then  $H_a \in D^+$ , where

$$H_a(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } t > a, \\ 0, & \text{if } t \leq a. \end{cases}$$

It is obvious that  $H_0 \geq f$  for all  $f \in D^+$ .

**Definition 2.** A triangular norm ( $t$ -norm) is a continuous mapping  $*$  :  $S \times S \rightarrow S$  such that  $(S, *)$  is an abelian monoid with unit one and  $c * d \leq a * b$  if  $c \leq a$  and  $d \leq b$  for all  $a, b, c, d \in S$ . A triangle function  $\tau$  is a binary operation on  $D^+$  which is commutative, associative and  $\tau(f, H_0) = f$  for every  $f \in D^+$ .

Recently, Golet [5] defined the random 2-normed space as follows.

**Definition 3.** Let  $X$  be a linear space of dimension greater than one,  $\tau$  is a triangle function, and  $F : X \times X \rightarrow D^+$ . Then  $F$  is called a probabilistic 2-norm and  $(X, F, \tau)$  a probabilistic 2-normed space if the following conditions are satisfied:

(i)  $F(x, y; t) = H_0(t)$  if  $x$  and  $y$  are linearly dependent, where  $F(x, y; t)$  denotes the value of  $F(x, y)$  at  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

(ii)  $F(x, y; t) \neq H_0(t)$  if  $x$  and  $y$  are linearly independent,

(iii)  $F(x, y; t) = F(y, x; t)$  for all  $x, y \in X$ ,

(iv)  $F(\alpha x, y; t) = F(x, y; \frac{t}{|\alpha|})$  for every  $t > 0$ ,  $\alpha \neq 0$  and  $x, y \in X$ ,

(v)  $F(x + y, z; t) \geq \tau(F(x, z; t), F(y, z; t))$  whenever  $x, y, z \in X$ , and  $t > 0$ .

If (v) is replaced by

(vi)  $F(x + y, z; t_1 + t_2) \geq F(x, z; t_1) * F(y, z; t_2)$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$  and  $t_1, t_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+$ ; then  $(X, F, *)$  is called a random 2-normed (also called fuzzy 2-normed) space (for short, FTN space).

As a standard example, we can give the following:

**Example 2.** Let  $(X, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$  be a 2-normed space, and let  $a * b = ab$  for all  $a, b \in S$ . For all  $x, y \in X$  and every  $t > 0$ , consider

$$F(x, y; t) = \frac{t}{t + \|x, y\|}.$$

Then observe that  $(X, F, *)$  is a fuzzy 2-normed space.

We also recall that the concept of convergence and Cauchy sequence in a fuzzy 2-normed space is studied in [21].

**Definition 4.** Let  $(X, F, *)$  be a FTN space. Then, a sequence  $x = \{x_k\}$  is said to be convergent to  $L \in X$  with respect to the fuzzy norm  $F$  if, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $\eta \in (0, 1)$ , there exists  $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $F_{x_k - L, z}(\varepsilon) > 1 - \eta$  whenever  $k \geq k_0$  and nonzero  $z \in X$ . It is denoted by  $F\text{-}\lim x = L$  or  $x_k \rightarrow_F L$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Definition 5.** Let  $(X, F, *)$  be a FTN space. Then, a sequence  $x = \{x_k\}$  is said to be statistically convergent to  $L \in X$  with respect to the fuzzy norm  $F$  if, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\eta \in (0, 1)$  and nonzero  $z \in X$

$$\delta(\{k \in \mathbb{N} : F_{x_k - L, z}(\varepsilon) \leq 1 - \eta\}) = 0$$

or equivalently

$$\delta(\{k \in \mathbb{N} : F_{x_k - L, z}(\varepsilon) > \eta\}) = 1.$$

It is denoted by  $\text{st(FTN)-}\lim x = L$  or  $L$  is called the  $\text{st(FTN)-}\lim$  of  $x$ .

**Definition 6.** Let  $(X, F, *)$  be a FTN space. Then, a sequence  $x = \{x_k\}$  is called a statistically Cauchy sequence with respect to the fuzzy norm  $F$  if, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\eta \in (0, 1)$  and nonzero  $z \in X$ , there exists a number  $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\delta(\{k \in \mathbb{N} : F_{x_k - x_m, z}(\varepsilon) \leq 1 - \eta\}) = 0$$

for all  $k, m \geq k_0$ .

### 3. MAIN RESULTS

In this section we study the density on moduli with respect to the fuzzy norm  $F$  in the FTN-space and prove some important results. The results are analogues to those given by Aizpuru et al. [1, 2], Gürdal and Özgür [12] and Borgohain [4].

Following the line of Borgohain [4] we now introduce the following definition using modulus functions.

**Definition 7.** Let  $(X, F, *)$  be a FTN space. Then, a sequence  $x = \{x_k\}$  is said to be  $f_{FTN}$ -statistically convergent to  $L \in X$  with respect to the fuzzy norm  $F$  if, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\delta > 0$ ,  $\eta \in (0, 1)$  and nonzero  $z \in X$

$$\lim_k \frac{f(|\{k \leq n : F_{x_k-L, z}(\varepsilon) \leq 1 - \eta\}|)}{f(k)} = 0.$$

We define it as  $f_{FTN}$ -st- $\lim x = L$ .

**Corollary 1.** Let  $(X, F, *)$  be a FTN space. For any unbounded modulus  $f$ , if  $F$ - $\lim x = L$ , then  $f_{FTN}$ -st- $\lim x = L$ . But the converse need not be true in general.

*Proof.* Let  $F$ - $\lim x = L$ . Then for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $\eta \in (0, 1)$ , there exists  $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$F_{x_k-L, z}(\varepsilon) > 1 - \eta$$

whenever  $k \geq k_0$  and nonzero  $z \in X$ . Construct

$$A(\varepsilon) := \{k \leq n : F_{x_k-L, z}(\varepsilon) \leq 1 - \eta\},$$

which is a finite set of  $\mathbb{N}$ . Then we have that there exists  $k_0, p \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|A(\varepsilon)| = p$ , if  $k \geq k_0$ , which will show that

$$\lim_k \frac{f(|A(\varepsilon)|)}{f(k)} = 0.$$

Hence  $f_{FTN}$ -st- $\lim x = L$ . □

The following example shows that the converse need not be true.

**Example 3.** Let  $X = \mathbb{R}^2$ , with the 2-norm  $\|x, z\| = \|x_1 z_2 - x_2 z_1\|$ ,  $x = (x_1, x_2)$ ,  $z = (z_1, z_2)$ , and  $a * b = ab$  for all  $a, b \in S$ . Let  $F(x, z; t) = \frac{t}{t + \|x, z\|}$  for every  $x, z \in X$ ,  $z_2 \neq 0$ , and every  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Now define a sequence,

$$x_k := \begin{cases} (k, 0), & \text{if } k = n^2, k \leq n \\ (0, 0), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and write

$$K_n(\eta, \varepsilon) := \{k \leq n : F_{x_k-L, z}(\varepsilon) \leq 1 - \eta\}, \quad 0 < \eta < 1; \quad L = (0, 0).$$

We see that

$$F_{x_k-L, z}(\varepsilon) := \begin{cases} \frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon + k z_2}, & \text{if } k = n^2, k \leq n \\ 1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}.$$

Therefore  $x = (x_k)$  is  $f_{FTN}$ -statistical convergent, i.e.  $\lim_k \frac{f(|K_n(\eta, \varepsilon)|)}{f(k)} = 0$ , but not convergent  $(X, F, *)$ .

The proofs of the following Theorems are easy and thus omitted.

**Theorem 2.** Let  $(X, F, *)$  be a FTN space. If a sequence  $x = (x_k)$  is  $f_{FTN}$ -st-convergent, then the  $f_{FTN}$ -st-limit is unique.

**Corollary 3.** Let  $(X, F, *)$  be a FTN space. For  $f$  and  $g$  two unbounded moduli, if  $f_{FTN}$ -st- $\lim x = L_1$  and  $f_{FTN}$ -st- $\lim x = L_2$  then  $L_1 = L_2$ .

**Theorem 4.** Let  $(X, F, *)$  be a FTN space. Let  $f_{FTN}$ -st- $\lim x = L_1$  and  $f_{FTN}$ -st- $\lim y = L_2$ . Then

- (i)  $f_{FTN}$ -st- $\lim (x + y) = L_1 + L_2$ ,
- (ii)  $f_{FTN}$ -st- $\lim (\alpha x) = \alpha L_1$ , for any  $\alpha > 0$ .

We now introduce our main theorem.

**Theorem 5.** *Let  $(X, F, *)$  be a FTN space and  $f$  an unbounded modulus. Then  $f_{FTN}\text{-st}\text{-lim } x = L$  if and only if there exists a set  $K = \{k_n : k_1 < k_2 < k_3 < \dots\}$  with  $\delta_f(K) = 1$  such that  $f_{FTN}\text{-lim } x_{k_n} = L$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $f_{FTN}\text{-st}\text{-lim } x = L$ . Then for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{N}$  and nonzero  $z$  in  $X$ , we have

$$K(r, \varepsilon) := \left\{ n \in \mathbb{N} : F_{x_{k_n} - L, z}(\varepsilon) \geq 1 - \frac{1}{r} \right\},$$

and

$$M(r, \varepsilon) := \left\{ n \in \mathbb{N} : F_{x_{k_n} - L, z}(\varepsilon) < \frac{1}{r} \right\}.$$

Then  $\lim_n \frac{f(|K(r, \varepsilon)|)}{f(n)} = 0$ ,

$$M(1, \varepsilon) \supset M(2, \varepsilon) \supset \dots \supset M(i, \varepsilon) \supset M(i+1, \varepsilon) \supset \dots, \quad (1)$$

and

$$\lim_n \frac{f(|M(r, \varepsilon)|)}{f(n)} = 1, \quad r \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (2)$$

Now we have to show that for  $n \in M(r, \varepsilon)$ ,  $\{x_{k_n}\}$  is  $f_{FTN}\text{-lim } x = L$ . On contrary suppose that  $\{x_{k_n}\}$  is not  $f_{FTN}\text{-lim } x = L$ . Therefore there is  $\eta > 0$  such that  $F_{x_{k_n} - L, z}(\varepsilon) \geq \eta$  for infinitely many terms. Let  $M(\eta, \varepsilon) := \{n \in \mathbb{N} : F_{x_{k_n} - L, z}(\varepsilon) < \eta\}$  and  $\eta > \frac{1}{r}$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then

$$\lim_n \frac{f(|M(\eta, \varepsilon)|)}{f(n)} = 0$$

and by (1),  $M(r, \varepsilon) \subset M(\eta, \varepsilon)$ . Thus  $\lim_n \frac{f(|M(r, \varepsilon)|)}{f(n)} = 0$ , which contradicts (2) and we get that  $\{x_{k_n}\}$  is  $f_{FTN}\text{-lim } x = L$ . Conversely, suppose that there exists a set  $K = \{k_n : k_1 < k_2 < k_3 < \dots\}$  with  $\delta_f(K) = 1$  such that  $f_{FTN}\text{-lim } x_{k_n} = L$ . Then there is a positive integer  $N$  such that  $n > N$ ,

$$F_{x_n - L, z}(\varepsilon) > 1 - \eta.$$

Put  $K(\eta, \varepsilon) := \{n \in \mathbb{N} : F_{x_n - L, z}(\varepsilon) \leq 1 - \eta\}$  and  $K' = \{k_{N+1}, k_{N+2}, \dots\}$ . Then  $\delta_f(K') = 1$  and  $K(\eta, \varepsilon) \subseteq \mathbb{N} - K'$  which implies that  $\delta_f(K(\eta, \varepsilon)) = 0$ . Hence  $f_{FTN}\text{-st}\text{-lim } x = L$ , as desired.  $\square$

**Definition 8.** *Let  $(X, F, *)$  be a FTN space. Then, a sequence  $x = \{x_k\}$  is said to be  $f_{FTN}$ -statistically Cauchy with respect to the fuzzy norm  $F$  if, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\delta > 0$ ,  $\eta \in (0, 1)$  and nonzero  $z \in X$*

$$\lim_k \frac{f(|\{k \in \mathbb{N} : F_{x_k - x_N, z}(\varepsilon) \leq 1 - \eta\}|)}{f(k)} = 0.$$

We define it as  $f_{FTN}\text{-st}\text{-Cauchy}$ .

**Theorem 6.** *Let  $(X, F, *)$  be a FTN space,  $f$  an unbounded modulus. Then  $f_{FTN}$ -statistically convergent if and only if it is  $f_{FTN}$ -statistically Cauchy sequence.*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $f_{FTN}\text{-st}\text{-lim } x = L$ . choose  $r > 0$  such that  $(1 - r) * (1 - r) > 1 - \eta$ . Then, for all  $\varepsilon > 0$  and nonzero  $z$  in  $X$ , we get  $\lim_k \frac{f(|S(r, \varepsilon)|)}{f(k)} = 0$ ,

where

$$S(r, \varepsilon) = \left\{ k \in \mathbb{N} : F_{x_k - L, z} \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right) \leq 1 - r \right\}.$$

This implies that  $\lim_k \frac{f(|S^C(r, \varepsilon)|)}{f(k)} = 1$ ,

where

$$S^C(r, \varepsilon) = \left\{ k \in \mathbb{N} : F_{x_k-L, z} \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right) > 1 - r \right\}.$$

Let  $N \in S^C(r, \varepsilon)$ . Then  $F_{x_N-L, z} \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right) > 1 - r$ . Now, let

$$B(\eta, \varepsilon) = \{k \in \mathbb{N} : F_{x_k-x_N, z}(\varepsilon) \leq 1 - \eta\}.$$

We need to show that  $B(\eta, \varepsilon) \subset S(r, \varepsilon)$ . Let  $k \in B(\eta, \varepsilon)$ . Then  $F_{x_k-x_N, z}(\varepsilon) \leq 1 - \eta$  and hence  $F_{x_k-L, z} \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right) \leq 1 - r$ , i.e.  $k \in S(r, \varepsilon)$ . Otherwise, if  $F_{x_k-L, z} \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right) > 1 - r$  then

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - \eta &\geq F_{x_k-x_N, z}(\varepsilon) \geq F_{x_k-L, z} \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right) * F_{x_N-L, z} \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right) \\ &> (1 - r) * (1 - r) > 1 - \eta, \end{aligned}$$

which is not possible. Thus  $B(\eta, \varepsilon) \subset S(r, \varepsilon)$ , which implies that  $x = \{x_k\}$  is  $f_{\text{FTN}}$ -st-convergent.

Suppose that  $x = \{x_k\}$  is  $f_{\text{FTN}}$ -st-Cauchy but not  $f_{\text{FTN}}$ -st-convergent. Then there exists  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\lim_k \frac{f(|B(\eta, \varepsilon)|)}{f(k)} = 0$  where

$$B(\eta, \varepsilon) = \{k \in \mathbb{N} : F_{x_k-x_N, z}(\varepsilon) \leq 1 - \eta\}.$$

From acceptance,

$$M(\eta, \varepsilon) = \left\{ k \in \mathbb{N} : F_{x_k-L, z} \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right) > 1 - \eta \right\},$$

i.e.  $\lim_k \frac{f(|M^C(\eta, \varepsilon)|)}{f(k)} = 1$ . Since

$$F_{x_k-x_N, z}(\varepsilon) \geq 2F_{x_k-L, z} \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right) > 1 - \eta,$$

if  $F_{x_k-L, z} \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right) > \frac{1-\eta}{2}$ . Therefore  $\lim_k \frac{f(|B^C(\eta, \varepsilon)|)}{f(k)} = 0$ , i.e.  $\lim_k \frac{f(|B(\eta, \varepsilon)|)}{f(k)} = 1$ , which leads to a contradiction, since  $x = \{x_k\}$  was  $f_{\text{FTN}}$ -statistically Cauchy sequence. Thus  $x = \{x_k\}$  must be  $f_{\text{FTN}}$ -statistically convergent, as desired. The theorem is proved.  $\square$

**Corollary 7.** *Let  $(X, F, *)$  be a FTN space,  $f$  an unbounded modulus. Then if  $x = \{x_k\}$  is  $f_{\text{FTN}}$ -statistically Cauchy sequence then it has a Cauchy subsequence with respect to the fuzzy norm  $F$ .*

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