ON STATISTICAL CONVERGENCE OF SEQUENCES OF FUNCTIONS IN 2-NORMED SPACES

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ABSTRACT. Statistical convergence and statistical Cauchy sequence in 2-normed space were studied by Gürdal and Pehlivan [M. Gürdal, S. Pehlivan, *Statistical convergence in 2-normed spaces*, Southeast Asian Bulletin of Mathematics, (33) (2009), 257–264]. In this paper, we get analogous results of statistical convergence and statistical Cauchy sequence of functions and investigate some properties and relationships between them in 2-normed spaces.

1. INTRODUCTION

Throughout the paper, \mathbb{N} denotes the set of all positive integers, \mathbb{R} the set of all real numbers. The concept of convergence of a sequence of real numbers has been extended to statistical convergence independently by Fast [7] and Schoenberg [24]. Gökhan et al. [12] introduced the concepts of pointwise statistical convergence and statistical Cauchy sequence of real-valued functions. Balcerzak et al. [2] studied statistical convergence and ideal convergence for sequence of functions. Baláz et al. [1] investigated \mathcal{I} -convergence and \mathcal{I} -continuity of real functions. Gezer and Karakuş [11] investigated \mathcal{I} -pointwise and uniform convergence and \mathcal{I}^* -pointwise and uniform convergence of function sequences and then they examined the relation between them. Gökhan et al. [13] introduced the notion of pointwise and uniform statistical convergence of double sequences of real-valued functions. Dündar and Altay [4, 5] studied the concepts of pointwise and uniformly \mathcal{I} -convergence and \mathcal{I}^* -convergence of double sequences of functions and investigated some properties about them. Furthermore, Dündar [6] investigated some results of \mathcal{I}_2 -convergence of double sequences of functions.

The concept of 2-normed spaces was initially introduced by Gähler [9, 10] in the 1960's. Gürdal and Pehlivan [16] studied statistical convergence, statistical Cauchy sequence and investigated some properties of statistical convergence in 2-normed spaces. Sharma and Kumar [22] introduced statistical convergence, statistical Cauchy sequence, statistical limit points and statistical cluster points in probabilistic 2-normed space. Savaş and Gürdal [23] concerned with \mathcal{I} -convergence of sequences of functions in random 2-normed spaces and introduce the concepts of ideal uniform convergence and ideal pointwise convergence in the topology induced by random 2-normed spaces. Sarabadan and Talebi [21] presented various kinds of statistical convergence and \mathcal{I} -convergence for sequences of functions with values in 2-normed spaces and also defined the notion of \mathcal{I} -equistatistically convergence and study \mathcal{I} -equistatistically convergence in 2-normed spaces. Gürdal and Açık [17] investigated \mathcal{I} -Cauchy and \mathcal{I}^* -Cauchy sequences in 2-normed spaces. Futhermore, a lot of development have been made in this area (see [3, 14, 15, 19, 20]).

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2. Definitions and Notations

Now, we recall the concept of density, statistical convergence, 2-normed space and some fundamental definitions and notations (See [2, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22]).

If $K \subseteq \mathbb{N}$, then K_n denotes the set $\{k \in K : k \leq n\}$ and $|K_n|$ denotes the cardinality of K_n . The natural density of K is given by $\delta(K) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n} |K_n|$, if it exists.

Clearly, finite subsets have natural density zero and $\delta(K^c) = 1 - \delta(K)$ where $K^c = \mathbb{N}\setminus K$, i.e., the complement of K. If $K_1 \subseteq K_2$ and K_1 and K_2 have natural densities then $\delta(K_1) \leq \delta(K_2)$. Moreover, if $\delta(K_1) = \delta(K_2) = 1$, then $\delta(K_1 \cap K_2) = 1$.

The number sequence $x = (x_k)$ is statistically convergent to L provided that for every $\varepsilon > 0$ the set

$$K = K(\varepsilon) := \{k \in \mathbb{N} : |x_k - L| \ge \varepsilon\}$$

has natural density zero; in this case, we write $st - \lim x = L$.

We note following theorem which is useful in establishing our results.

Theorem 2.1. [8] The following statements are equivalent:

(i) x is statistically convergent sequence;

(ii) x is statistically Cauchy sequence;

(iii) x is sequence for which there is a convergent sequence y such that $x_n = y_n$, for a.a. n.

Let X be a real vector space of dimension d, where $2 \le d < \infty$. A 2-norm on X is a function $\|\cdot, \cdot\| : X \times X \to \mathbb{R}$ which satisfies the following statements:

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

The pair $(X, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$ is then called a 2-normed space. 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 based on the vectors x and y which may be given explicitly by the formula

$$||x, y|| = |x_1y_2 - x_2y_1|; \quad x = (x_1, x_2), y = (y_1, y_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

In this study, we suppose X to be a 2-normed space having dimension d; where $2 \le d < \infty$.

Let $(X, \|., .\|)$ be a finite dimensional 2-normed space and $u = \{u_1, \dots, u_d\}$ be a basis of X. We can define the norm $\|.\|_{\infty}$ on X by

$$||x||_{\infty} = \max\{||x, u_i|| : i = 1, ..., d\}$$

Associated to the derived norm $\|.\|_{\infty}$, we can define the (closed) balls $B_u(x,\varepsilon)$ centered at x having radius ε by

$$B_u(x,\varepsilon) = \{y : ||x - y||_{\infty} \le \varepsilon\},\$$

where $||x - y||_{\infty} = \max\{||x - y, u_j||, j = 1, ..., d\}.$

Let X be a 2-normed space. A sequence (x_n) in X is said to be convergent to $L \in X$, if for every $z \in X$,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \|x_n - L, z\| = 0.$$

In this case, we write $\lim_{n\to\infty} x_n = L$ and call L the limit of (x_n) .

Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in 2-normed space $(X, \|., .\|)$. The sequence (x_n) is said to be statistically convergent to L, if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, the set

$$\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \|x_n - L, z\| \ge \varepsilon\}$$

has natural density zero for each nonzero z in X, in other words (x_n) statistically converges to L in 2-normed space $(X, \|., .\|)$ if

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n} |\{n : ||x_n - L, z|| \ge \varepsilon\}| = 0$$

for each nonzero z in X. It means that for each $z \in X$,

$$||x_n - L, z|| < \varepsilon, \ a.a. \ n.$$

In this case we write $st - \lim_{n \to \infty} ||x_n, z|| = ||L, z||$. A sequence (x_n) in 2-normed space (X, ||., .||) is said to be statistically Cauchy sequence in X, if for every $\varepsilon > 0$ and every nonzero $z \in X$ there exists a number $N = N(\varepsilon, z)$ such that

$$\delta(\{n \in \mathbb{N} : ||x_n - x_N, z|| \ge \varepsilon\}) = 0,$$

i.e., for each nonzero $z \in X$,

$$||x_n - x_N, z|| < \varepsilon$$
, a.a. n

Let X and Y be two 2-normed spaces and assume that functions $f_n: X \to Y$ and $f: X \to Y$ are given. The sequence of functions $\{f_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is said to be convergent to fif $f_n(x) \stackrel{\|.,.\|_Y}{\longrightarrow} f(x)$ for each $x \in X$. We write $f_n \stackrel{\|.,.\|_Y}{\longrightarrow} f$. This can be expressed by the formula

$$(\forall y \in Y)(\forall x \in X)(\forall \varepsilon > 0)(\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N})(\forall n \ge n_0) ||f_n(x) - f(x, y)|| < \varepsilon.$$

3. MAIN RESULTS

In this paper, we study concepts of convergence, statistical convergence and statistical Cauchy sequence of functions and investigate some properties and relationships between them in 2-normed spaces.

Throughout the paper, we let X and Y be two 2-normed spaces, $\{f_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ and $\{g_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ be two sequences of functions and f, g be two functions from X to Y.

Definition 3.1. The sequence $\{f_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ is said to be (pointwise) statistical convergent to f, if for every $\varepsilon > 0$,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left| \{ n \in \mathbb{N} : \| f_n(x) - f(x), z \| \ge \varepsilon \} \right| = 0,$$

for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$. It means that for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$,

$$||f_n(x) - f(x), z|| < \varepsilon, \quad a.a. \quad n.$$

In this case, we write

$$st - \lim_{n \to \infty} \|f_n(x) - z\| = \|f(x), z\|$$
 or $f_n \xrightarrow{\|\cdot, \cdot\|_Y} {st} f.$

Remark 3.1. $\{f_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ is any sequence of functions and f is any function from X to Y, then set

$$\{n \in \mathbb{N} : ||f_n(x) - f(x), z|| \ge \varepsilon, \text{ for each } x \in X \text{ and each } z \in Y\} = \emptyset,$$

since if $z = \overrightarrow{0}$ (0 vektor), $||f_n(x) - f(x), z|| = 0 \not\geq \varepsilon$ so the above set is empty.

Theorem 3.1. If for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$,

$$st - \lim_{n \to \infty} \|f_n(x), z\| = \|f(x), z\|$$
 and $st - \lim_{n \to \infty} \|f_n(x), z\| = \|g(x), z\|$,

then $||f_n(x), z|| = ||g_n(x), z||$ (i.e., f = g), for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$.

Proof 3.1. Assume $f \neq g$. Then $f - g \neq \vec{0}$, so there exists a $z \in Y$ such that f, g and z are linearly independent (such a z exists since $d \geq 2$). Therefore, for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$,

$$||f(x) - g(x), z|| = 2\varepsilon, \quad with \quad \varepsilon > 0.$$

Now, for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$, we get

$$2\varepsilon = \|f(x) - g(x), z\| = \|(f(x) - f_n(x)) + (f_n(x) - g(x)), z\| \\ \leq \|f_n(x) - g(x), z\| + \|f_n(x) - f(x), z\|$$

and so

$$\{n: \|f_n(x) - g(x), z\| < \varepsilon\} \subseteq \{n: \|f_n(x) - f(x), z\| \ge \varepsilon\}.$$

But, for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$, $\delta(\{n : ||f_n(x) - g(x), z|| < \varepsilon\}) = 0$, then contradicting the fact that $f_n \xrightarrow{||.,||_Y}{\longrightarrow} st g$.

Theorem 3.2. If $\{g_n\}_{(n\in\mathbb{N})}$ is a convergent sequence of functions such that $f_n = g_n$ a.a. *n*, then $\{f_n\}_{(n\in\mathbb{N})}$ is statistically convergent.

Proof 3.2. Suppose that for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$,

$$\delta(\{n \in \mathbb{N} : f_n(x) \neq g_n(x)\}) = 0 \text{ and } \lim_{n \to \infty} ||g_n(x), z|| = ||f(x), z||,$$

then for every $\varepsilon > 0$,

 $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \|f_n(x) - f(x), z\| \ge \varepsilon\} \subseteq \{n \in \mathbb{N} : \|g_n(x) - f(x), z\| \ge \varepsilon\} \cup \{n \in \mathbb{N} : f_n(x) \neq g_n(x)\}.$ Therefore,

$$\delta(\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \|f_n(x) - f(x), z\| \ge \varepsilon\}) \le \delta(\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \|g_n(x) - f(x), z\| \ge \varepsilon) + \delta(\{n \in \mathbb{N} : f_n(x) \ne g_n\})$$
(1)

Since $\lim_{n\to\infty} \|g_n(x), z\| = \|f(x), z\|$, for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$. The set $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \|g_n(x) - f(x), z\| \ge \varepsilon\}$ contain finite number of integers and so

$$\delta(\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \|g_n(x) - f(x), z\| \ge \varepsilon\}) = 0.$$

Using inequality (1) we get for every $\varepsilon > 0$

$$\delta(\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \|f_n(x) - f(x), z\| \ge \varepsilon\}) = 0,$$

for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$ and so consequently

$$st - \lim_{n \to \infty} \|f_n(x), z\| = \|f(x), z\|$$

Theorem 3.3. Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. If for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$,

$$st - \lim_{n \to \infty} \|f_n(x), z\| = \|f(x), z\|$$
 and $st - \lim_{n \to \infty} \|g_n(x), z\| = \|g(x), z\|$,

then

(i)
$$st - \lim_{n \to \infty} ||f_n(x) + g_n(x), z|| = ||f(x) + g(x), z||$$
 and
(ii) $st - \lim_{n \to \infty} ||\alpha f_n(x), z|| = ||\alpha f(x), z||.$

Proof 3.3. (i) Suppose that

$$st - \lim_{n \to \infty} \|f_n(x), z\| = \|f(x), z\|$$
 and $st - \lim_{n \to \infty} \|g_n(x), z\| = \|g(x), z\|$

for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$. Then, $\delta(K_1) = 0$ and $\delta(K_2) = 0$ where

$$K_1 = K_1(\varepsilon, z) : \left\{ n \in \mathbb{N} : \|f_n(x) - f(x), z\| \ge \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right\}$$

and

$$K_2 = K_2(\varepsilon, z) : \left\{ n \in \mathbb{N} : \|g_n(x) - g(x), z\| \ge \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right\}$$

for every $\varepsilon > 0$, each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$. Let

$$K = K(\varepsilon, z) = \{ n \in \mathbb{N} : \| (f_n(x) + g_n(x)) - (f(x) + g(x)), z \| \ge \varepsilon \}.$$

To prove that $\delta(K) = 0$, it suffices to show that $K \subset K_1 \cup K_2$. Let $n_0 \in K$ then, for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$,

$$\|(f_{n_0}(x) + g_{n_0}(x)) - (f(x) + g(x)), z\| \ge \varepsilon.$$
(2)

Suppose to the contrary, that $n_0 \notin K_1 \cup K_2$. Then, $n_0 \notin K_1$ and $n_0 \notin K_2$. If $n_0 \notin K_1$ and $n_0 \notin K_2$ then, for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$,

$$||f_{n_0}(x) - f(x), z|| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$
 and $||g_{n_0}(x) - g(x), z|| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$

Then, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|(f_{n_0}(x) + g_{n_0}(x)) - (f(x) + g(x)), z\| &\leq \|f_{n_0}(x) - f(x), z\| + \|g_{n_0}(x) - g(x), z\| \\ &< \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \\ &= \varepsilon, \end{aligned}$$

for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$, which contradicts (2). Hence $n_0 \in K_1 \cup K_2$ and so $K \subset K_1 \cup K_2$.

(ii) Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ($\alpha \neq 0$) and for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$,

$$st - \lim_{n \to \infty} ||f_n(x), z|| = ||f(x), z||.$$

Then, we get

$$\delta\left(\left\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \|f_n(x) - f(x), z\| \ge \frac{\varepsilon}{|\alpha|}\right\}\right) = 0.$$

Therefore, for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$, we have

$$\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \|\alpha f_n(x) - \alpha f(x), z\| \ge \varepsilon\} = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : |\alpha| \|f_n(x) - f(x), z\| \ge \varepsilon\}$$
$$= \left\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \|f_n(x) - f(x), z\| \ge \frac{\varepsilon}{|\alpha|}\right\}.$$

Hence, the right hand side of above equality equals 0. Therefore, for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$, we have

$$st - \lim_{n \to \infty} \|\alpha f_n(x), z\| = \|\alpha f(x), z\|.$$

Now, we give the concept of statistical Cauchy sequence and investigate relationships between statistical Cauchy sequence and statistical convergence in 2-normed space.

Definition 3.2. The sequences of functions $\{f_n\}$ is said to be statistically Cauchy sequence, if for every $\varepsilon > 0$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$, there exist a number $k = k(\varepsilon, z)$ such that

$$\delta(\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \|f_n(x) - f_k(x), z\| \ge \varepsilon\}) = 0$$

for each $x \in X$ i.e.,

$$\|f_n(x) - f_k(x), z\| < \varepsilon, \quad a.a. \quad n$$

Theorem 3.4. Let $\{f_n\}_{n\geq 1}$ be a statistically Cauchy sequence of functions in a finite dimensional 2-normed space $(X, \|., .\|)$. Then, there exists a convergent sequence of functions $\{g_n\}_{n\geq 1}$ in $(X, \|., .\|)$ such that $f_n = g_n$, for a.a. n.

Proof 3.4. First note that $\{f_n\}_{n\geq 1}$ is a statistically Cauchy sequence of functions in $(X, \|.\|_{\infty})$. Choose a natural number k(1) such that the closed ball $B_u^1 = B_u(f_{k(1)}(x), 1)$ contains $f_n(x)$ for a.a. n and for each $x \in X$. Then, choose a natural number k(2) such that the closed ball $B_2 = B_u(f_{k(1)}(x), \frac{1}{2})$ contains $f_n(x)$ for a.a. n and for each $x \in X$. Note that $B_u^2 = B_u^1 \cap B_2$ also contains $f_n(x)$ for a.a. n and for each $x \in X$. Thus, by continuing of this process, we can obtain a sequence $\{B_u^m\}_{m\geq 1}$ of nested closed balls such that diam $(B_u^m) \leq \frac{1}{2^m}$. Therefore,

$$\bigcap_{m=1}^{\infty} B_u^m = \{h(x)\},\$$

where h is a function from X to Y. Since each B_u^m contains $f_n(x)$ for a.a. n and for each $x \in X$, we can choose a sequence of strictly increasing natural numbers $\{S_m\}_{m\geq 1}$ such that for each $x \in X$,

$$\frac{1}{n} |\{n \in \mathbb{N} : f_n(x) \notin B_u^m\}| < \frac{1}{m}, \ if \ n > S_m$$

Put $R_m = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : n > S_m, f_n(x) \notin B_u^m\}$ for each $x \in X$, for all $m \ge 1$ and $R = \bigcup_{m=1}^{\infty} R_m$. Now, for each $x \in X$, define the sequence of functions $\{g_n\}_{n\ge 1}$ as following

$$g_n(x) = \begin{cases} h(x), & \text{if } n \in R\\ f_n(x), & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Note that, $\lim_{n\to\infty} g_n(x) = h(x)$, for each $x \in X$. In fact, for each $\varepsilon > 0$ and for each $x \in X$, choose a natural number m such that $\varepsilon > \frac{1}{m} > 0$. Then, for each $n > S_m$ and for each $x \in X$, $g_n(x) = h(x)$ or $g_n(x) = f_n(x) \in B_u^m$ and so in each case

$$||g_n(x) - h(x)||_{\infty} \le diam(B_u^m) \le \frac{1}{2^{m-1}}$$

Since, for each $x \in X$, $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : g_n(x) \neq f_n(x)\} \subseteq \{n \in \mathbb{N} : f_n(x) \notin B_u^m\}$, we have

$$\frac{1}{n} |\{n \in \mathbb{N} : g_n(x) \neq f_n(x)\}| \le \frac{1}{n} |\{n \in \mathbb{N} : f_n(x) \notin B_u^m\}| < \frac{1}{m},$$

and so

$$\delta(\{n \in \mathbb{N} : g_n(x) \neq f_n(x)\}) = 0.$$

Thus, $g_n(x) = f_n(x)$ for a.a. n and for each $x \in X$ in $(X, \|.\|_{\infty})$. Suppose that $\{u_1, ..., u_d\}$ is a basis for $(X, \|., .\|)$. Since, for each $x \in X$,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \|g_n(x) - h(x)\|_{\infty} = 0 \quad and \quad \|g_n(x) - h(x), u_i\| \le \|g_n(x) - h(x)\|_{\infty}$$

for all $1 \leq i \leq d$, then we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \|g_n(x) - h(x), z\|_{\infty} = 0,$$

for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in X$. It completes the proof.

Theorem 3.5. The sequence $\{f_n\}$ is statistically convergent if and only if $\{f_n\}$ is a statistically Cauchy sequence of functions.

Proof 3.5. Assume that f be function from X to Y and $st - \lim_{n \to \infty} ||f_n(x), z|| = ||f(x), z||$ for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. Then, for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$, we have

$$\|f_n(x) - f(x), z\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}, \quad a.a.$$
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If $k = k(\varepsilon, z)$ is chosen so that for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$,

$$\|f_k(x) - f(x), z\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

and so we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|f_n(x) - f_k(x), z\| &\leq \|f_n(x) - f(x), z\| + \|f(x) - f_k(x), z\| \\ &< \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \\ &= \varepsilon, \quad a.a. \quad n. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\{f_n\}$ is statistically Cauchy sequence of functions.

Now, assume that $\{f_n\}$ is statistically Cauchy sequence of function. By Theorem 3.4, there exists a convergent sequence $\{g_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ from X to Y such that $f_n = g_n$ for a.a. n. By Theorem 3.2, we have

$$st - \lim ||f_n(x), z|| = ||f(x), z||$$

for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$.

Now, as an immediate consequence of Theorem 3.2 we give the following theorem without the proof.

Theorem 3.6. If $st - \lim ||f_n(x), z|| = ||f(x), z||$ for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$, then $\{f_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ has a subsequence of function $\{f_{n_i}\}$ such that

$$\lim_{i \to \infty} \|f_{n_i}(x), z\| = \|f(x), z\|$$

for each $x \in X$ and each nonzero $z \in Y$.

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