# A Fixed Point Theorem in Weak Topology for Successively Recurrent System of Fuzzy-Set-Valued Nonlinear Mapping Equations and Its Application

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**Abstract**—Let us introduce  $n (\ge 2)$  nonlinear mappings  $f_i(i = 1, \dots, n)$  defined on reflexive real Banach spaces  $X_{i-1}$  and let  $f_i : X_{i-1} \rightarrow Y_i$  (a Banach space) be completely continuous on bounded convex closed subsets  $X_{i-1}^{(0)} \subset X_{i-1}$ . Moreover, let us introduce n fuzzy-set-valued nonlinear mappings  $F_i : X_{i-1} \times Y_i \rightarrow \{a \text{ family of all non-empty closed compact fuzzy subsets of <math>X_i\}$ .

Here, by introducing arbitrary constant  $\beta_i \in (0, 1]$ , for every integer i ( $i = 1, \dots, n \equiv 0$ ), separately, we have a fixed point theorem on the recurrent system of  $\beta_i$ -level fuzzy-set-valued mapping equations:  $x_i \in$  $F_{i\beta_i}(x_{i-1}, f_i(x_{i-1}))$ , ( $i = 1, \dots, n \equiv 0$ ), where the fuzzy set  $F_i$  is characterized by a membership function  $\mu_{F_i}(x_i)$ :  $X_i \rightarrow [0, 1]$ , and the  $\beta_i$ -level set  $F_{i\beta_i}$  of the fuzzy set  $F_i$  is defined as  $F_{i\beta_i} \triangleq \{\xi_i \in X_i \mid \mu_{F_i}(\xi_i) \ge \beta_i\}$ , for any constant  $\beta_i \in (0, 1]$ .

This theorem can be applied immediately to discussion for characteristics of ring nonlinear network systems disturbed by undesirable uncertain fluctuations and to extremely fine estimation of available behaviors of those disturbed systems. In this paper, the mathematical situation and proof are discussed, in weak topology.

## 1. Introduction

In general, by the set-valued mapping F defined on a Banach space X is meant a correspondence in which a set F(x) is specified in correspondence to any point x in X. In particular, when  $F(X) \subset X$ , and if there exists a point  $x^*$  such that  $x^* \in F(x^*)$ ,  $x^*$  is called a fixed point of F [1].

For an original completely continuous nonlinear mapping  $f : X \to Y$  (a Banach space), the author gave some types of discussions of uncertain fluctuation problems, giving a composition type of fixed point theorem:  $x \in F(x, f(x))$  concerning to a set-valued nonlinear mapping  $F : X \times Y \to \{$ the family of all non-empty closed compact subset of  $X\}$  [1, 2, 3]. Thereafter, the author gave complex types of fixed point theorems for the system of set-valued nonlinear mapping equations, suitable to discussion for uncertain fluctuation problems of practical complex nonlinear systems.[4],[5]

In complex large-scale, so called as multi-media, network systems, the successively recurrent circular connectin of channels often plays an important role as a typical element network of local area networks(LAN). However, in large-scale circular networks, whenever some undesirable fluctuations are induced into their element channels, even if their influences are originally small to every element channel itself, total affections may be successively accumulated step by step, and as results, may grow so serious that the network itself becomes useless. Therefore, we must carefully evaluate and control those fluctuations such that overall behaviors of respective channel outputs can be led, in real time, into "available" or "tolerable" regions assigned in advance.

In such a reason, the author presented fixed point theorems for a successively recurrent system of set-valued mapping equations, and refered to available behaviors of signals to be appeared in every portion of succesively recurrent circular channels disturbed by undesirable fluctuations [6]. Moreover, by introducing the concept of fuzzy-setvalued mapping [7], as typical examples of much more refined theories, the author presented fixed point theorems for recurrent systems of fuzzy-set-valued nonlinear mapping equations, and referred to available behaviors of signals that appear in every portion of practical recurrent ring nonlinear network systems [8]. This paper is its more-refined theory of the similar problem under more wide conditions, through a precise deduction by introducing th fuzzy-setvalued mapping in weak topology.

## 2. Fuzzy Set and Fuzzy-Set-Valued Mapping

First of all, let us consider a family of all fuzzy sets originally introduced by Zadeh [7] in a Banach space *X*, and let any fuzzy set *A* be characterized by a membership function  $\mu_A(x) : X \to [0, 1]$ . Now, we can consider an  $\alpha$ -level set  $A_\alpha$  of the fuzzy set *A* as  $A_\alpha \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \{\xi \in X | \mu_A(\xi) \ge \alpha\}$ , for any constant  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ . The fuzzy set *A* is called compact, if all  $\alpha$ -level sets are compact for arbitrary  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ .

A fuzzy-set-valued mapping *G* from *X* into *X* is defined by  $G: X \to \mathcal{F}(X)$ , where  $\mathcal{F}(X)$  is a family of all non-empty , bounded and closed fuzzy sets in *X*. If a point  $x \in X$  is mapped to a fuzzy set G(x), the membership function of G(x) at the point  $\xi \in X$  is represented by  $\mu_{G(x)}(\xi)$ .

For convenience, let us introduce a useful notation: for an arbitrarily specified constant  $\beta \in (0, 1]$ , a point *x* belongs to the  $\beta$ -level set  $A_{\beta}$  of the fuzzy set *A*:  $x \in A_{\beta} \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \{\xi \in X \mid$   $\mu_A(\xi) \ge \beta$  is denoted by  $x \in_\beta A$  [9].

Here, let us introduce a new concept of  $\beta$ -level fixed point: for the fuzzy set G(x), if there exists a point  $x^*$  such that  $x^* \in_{\beta} G(x^*)$ , then  $x^*$  is called  $\beta$ -level fixed point of the fuzzy-set-valued mapping G [9].

Now, let us remember that we have introduced a new metric into the space of fuzzy sets [9].

**Definition 1** Let us consider a Banach space X. For any fixed constant  $\beta \in (0, 1]$ , the  $\beta$ -level metric  $\rho_{\beta}$  between a point  $x \in X$  and a fuzzy set A is defined as follows:

$$\rho_{\beta}(x,A) \stackrel{\scriptscriptstyle \Delta}{=} \inf_{\beta \le \alpha \le 1} d_{\alpha}(x,A), \tag{1}$$

where

$$d_{\alpha}(x,A) \stackrel{\scriptscriptstyle \Delta}{=} \begin{cases} \inf_{\substack{y \in A_{\alpha} \\ inf \\ y \in A_{\alpha_{A}}}} ||x - y|| & \text{if } \alpha > \alpha_{A}. \end{cases}$$
(2)

Here,  $\alpha_A \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \sup_{x \in X} \mu_A(x)$ . And also, for any fixed constant  $\beta \in (0, 1]$ , by means of the Hausdorff metric  $d_H$ , the  $\beta$ -level metric  $\mathcal{H}_\beta$  between two fuzzy sets A and B is introduced as follows:

$$\mathcal{H}_{\beta}(A,B) \stackrel{\scriptscriptstyle \Delta}{=} \sup_{\beta \le \alpha \le 1} D_{\alpha}(A,B), \tag{3}$$

where  $D_{\alpha}$  is defined as

$$D_{\alpha}(A, B) \stackrel{\scriptscriptstyle \triangle}{=} \begin{cases} d_{H}(A_{\alpha}, B_{\alpha}) \\ \text{if } \alpha \leq \min\{\alpha_{A}, \alpha_{B}\}, \\ d_{H}(A_{\alpha_{A}}, B_{\alpha}) \\ \text{if } \alpha_{A} < \alpha \leq \alpha_{B}, \\ d_{H}(A_{\alpha}, B_{\alpha_{B}}) \\ \text{if } \alpha_{A} \geq \alpha > \alpha_{B}, \\ d_{H}(A_{\alpha_{A}}, B_{\alpha_{B}}) \\ \text{if } \alpha > \max\{\alpha_{A}, \alpha_{B}\}. \end{cases}$$
(4)

Here,  $\alpha_B \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \sup_{x \in X} \mu_B(x)$  and the Hausdorff metric  $d_H$  between two sets  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  is defined by

$$d_{H}(S_{1}, S_{2}) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \max\{\sup\{d(x_{1}, S_{2})|x_{1} \in S_{1}\}, \qquad (5) \\ \sup\{d(x_{2}, S_{1})|x_{2} \in S_{2}\}\},$$

where  $d(x, S) \stackrel{\scriptscriptstyle \Delta}{=} \inf\{||x - y|| \mid y \in S\}$  is the distance between *a* point *x* and *a* set *S*.

In order to give a new methodology for the discussion more sophisticated than the one by usual crisp setvalued mappings, the author presented mathematical theories based on the concept of  $\beta$ -level fixed point, by establishing fixed point theorems for  $\beta$ -level fuzzy-set-valued nonlinear mappings which describe detailed characteristics of such fuzzy-set-valued nonlinear mapping equations, for every level  $\beta \in (0, 1]$  [8, 9]. Particularly, by introducing arbitrary constant  $\beta_i \in (0, 1]$ , for every integer *i* ( $i = 1, \dots, n \equiv 0$ ), separately, the author gave a refined theory suitable to precise discussion for characteristics of disturbed ring nonlinear network systems [8].

## 3. Fixed Point Theorem in Weak Topology for Successively Recurrent System of Fuzzy-Set-Valued Mapping Equations

Here, we will present the fixed point theorem in weak topology for successively recurrent system of fuzzy-setvalued mapping equations.

For the first step, let us introduce reflexive real Banach spaces  $X_i$   $(i = 1, ..., n \equiv 0)$ , in which the norm is represented by  $\|\cdot\|$ , and also, let us define there non-empty bounded closed convex subsets  $X_i^{(0)}$   $(i = 1, ..., n \equiv 0)$ . Let  $X'_i$  be the dual space of  $X_i$  and let us introduce a weak topology  $\sigma(X_i, X'_i)$  into  $X_i$ . Then,  $X_i$  is locally convex topological linear space, and therefore,  $X_i^{(0)}$  is weakly closed and weakly compact. Further, let us consider another real Banach space  $Y_i$   $(i = 1, ..., n \equiv 0)$  in which the norm is represented by  $\|\cdot\|$ .

Now, let us introduce  $n (\geq 2)$  mappings  $f_i$   $(i = 1, ..., n \equiv 0)$  defined on  $X_{i-1}$ , respectively, and let  $f_i : X_{i-1} \to Y_i$  be completely continuous on bounded convex closed subset  $X_{i-1}^{(0)} \subset X_{i-1}$   $(i = 1, ..., n \equiv 0)$ .

Moreover, let us introduce *n* fuzzy-set-valued mappings  $F_i: X_{i-1} \times Y_i \to \mathcal{F}_c(X_i)$  (the family of all non-empty compact fuzzy subsets of  $X_i$ ) ( $i = 1, ..., n \equiv 0$ ).

Here, we can recognize that for any  $x_{i-1} \in X_{i-1}^{(0)}$ and  $f_i(x_{i-1}) \in Y_i$ , we have  $F_i^{(0)}(x_{i-1}; f_i(x_{i-1})) \triangleq F_i^{(0)}(x_{i-1}; f_i(x_{i-1})) \cap X_i^{(0)} \neq \phi$ , and moreover, there exist  $\beta_i$ -level projection points  $\tilde{x}'_i$  of arbitry point  $x'_i \in X_i^{(0)}$  upon the fuzzy set  $F_i^{(0)}(x_{i-1}; f_i(x_{i-1}))$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \tilde{x}_{i}' - x_{i}' \right\| &= \min\{ \left\| x_{i}' - z_{i} \right\| \\ z_{i} \in_{\beta_{i}} F_{i}^{(0)}(x_{i-1}; f_{i}(x_{i-1})) \}. \end{aligned}$$
(6)

Now, let us introduce a series of assumptions:

**Assumption 1** Let the mapping  $f_i : X_{i-1}^{(0)} \to f_i(X_{i-1}^{(0)}) \subset Y_i$ be completely continuous in the sense that when a weakly convergent net  $\{x_i^{\nu}\}$  ( $\nu \in J$ : a directive set) weakly converges to  $\bar{x}_i$ , then the sequence  $\{f_i(x_{i-1}^{\nu})\}$  has a subsequence which strongly converges to  $f_i(\bar{x}_{i-1})$  in  $Y_i$ .

**Assumption 2** Let the fuzzy-set-valued mapping  $F_i$ :  $X_{i-1}^{(0)} \times Y_i \to \mathcal{F}_c(X_i)$  (the family of all non-empty compact fuzzy subsets of  $X_i$ ) satisfies the following Lipschits condition with respect to the  $\beta_i$ -level metric  $\mathcal{H}_{\beta_i}$ , that is, there are two kinds of constants  $a_i \equiv a_i(\beta_i) > 0$  and  $b_i \equiv b_i(\beta_i) > 0$ such that for any  $x_{i-1}^{(1)}, x_{i-1}^{(2)} \in X_{i-1}$  and for any  $y_i^{(1)}, y_i^{(2)} \in Y_i$ ,  $F_i$  satisfies the inequality

$$\mathcal{H}_{\beta_{i}}\left(F_{i}(x_{i-1}^{(1)}; y_{i}^{(1)}), F_{i}(x_{i-1}^{(2)}; y_{i}^{(2)})\right) \\ \leq a_{i} \cdot \left\|x_{i-1}^{(1)} - x_{i-1}^{(2)}\right\| + b_{i} \cdot \left\|y_{i}^{(1)} - y_{i}^{(2)}\right\|,$$

$$(7)$$

where Lipschitz constants  $a_i$   $(i = 1, ..., n \equiv 0)$  are confined by

$$0 < a_1 \cdot a_2 \cdot \ldots \cdot a_n < 1. \tag{8}$$

Then, under these preparations, we have an important lemma on the successively recurrent system of fuzzy-setvalued mapping equations:

$$x_i \in_{\beta_i} F_i(x_{i-1}; f_i(x_{i-1})), \ (i = 1, \dots, n \equiv 0).$$
 (9)

**Lemma 1** For all i  $(i = 1, ..., n \equiv 0)$ , let us adopt arbitrary points  $x_i^{(0)} \in X_i^{(0)}$  and also fix all values of  $f_i(x_{i-1}^{(0)})$   $(i = 1, ..., n \equiv 0)$ . Now, for every i, let us consider a sequence  $\{x_i^{(v)}\}(v = 0, 1, 2, ...)$  starting from the above adopted point  $x_i^{(0)}$ , and with each  $x_i^{(v)} \in X_i^{(0)}$  as the  $\beta_i$ -level projection point of  $x_i^{(v-1)} \in X_i^{(0)}$  upon the fuzzy set  $F_i(x_{i-1}^{(v-1)}; f_i(x_{i-1}^{(0)}))$ , but for any number  $m \ge 1$   $(m \le n - i)$ ,  $x_{i+m}^{(v)} \in X_{i+m}^{(0)}$  is specified as the  $\beta_{i+m}$ -level projection point from  $x_{i+m}^{(v-1)} \in X_{i+m}^{(0)}$  upon the fuzzy set  $F_i(x_{i+m-1}^{(v)})$ . Then, these sequences  $\{x_i^{(v)}\}$   $(i = 1, ..., n \equiv 0; v = 0, 1, 2, ...)$  are Cauchy sequences, having their own limit points  $\bar{x}_i \in X_i^{(0)}$ , respectively, such that

$$\bar{x}_i \in_{\beta_i} F_i^{(0)}(\bar{x}_{i-1}; f_i(x_{i-1}^{(0)})), \ (i = 1, \dots, n \equiv 0).$$
(10)

All limit points  $\bar{x}_i$   $(i = 1, ..., n \equiv 0)$  depend on their starting points  $x_i^{(0)}$  and parameters  $y_i^{(0)} \triangleq f_i(x_{i-1}^{(0)})$ , respectively. These correspondences may be multi-valued, in general, and hence, can be represented by set-valued continuous mappings defined on each domain:

$$\bar{x}_i \in H_i(x_i^{(0)}, y_i^{(0)}), \ (i = 1, \dots, n \equiv 0).$$
 (11)

If these mappings have fixed points  $x_i^*$  in respective domain, or in respective bounded convex closed subsets  $X_i^{(0)}$ : i.e.,

$$x_i^* \in H_i(x_i^*; y_i^*) \in X_i^{(0)}, \ (i = 1, \dots, n \equiv 0),$$
 (12)

where  $y_i^* \stackrel{\triangle}{=} f_i(x_{i-1}^*)$ , these relations imply that

$$x_i^* \in_{\beta_i} F_i^{(0)}(x_{i-1}^*; f_i(x_{i-1}^*)), \ (i = 1, \dots, n \equiv 0).$$
(13)

This result means that the solution set  $\{x_i^*\}$   $(i = 1, ..., n \equiv 0)$  of the system of set-valued nonlinear mapping equations (9) can be obtained in connection with the set of limit points  $\{\bar{x}_i\}$   $(i = 1, ..., n \equiv 0)$  of Cauchy sequences  $\{x_i^{(\nu)}\}$   $(i = 1, ..., n \equiv 0; \nu = 0, 1, 2, ...).$ 

Here, in order to verify the existance of the fixed point  $x_i^*$  of  $H_i$ , from the standpoint refined in the weak topology, now, it is very convenient to apply the well-known fixed point theorem for set-valued mapping:

**Lemma 2 (Ky Fan [10])** Let  $X_i$  be a locally convex topological linear space, and  $X_i^{(0)}$  be a non-empty convex compact subset of  $X_i$ . Let  $\mathcal{H}_c(X_i^{(0)})$  be the family of all nonempty closed convex subsets of  $X_i^{(0)}$ . Then, for upper semicontinuous set-valued mapping  $H_i : X_i^{(0)} \to \mathcal{H}_c(X_i^{(0)})$ , there exists a fixed point  $x_i^* \in X_i^{(0)}$  such that  $x_i^* \in H_i(x_i^*)$ . In order to apply this lemma to our problem, we can verify that the above-defined set-valued mapping  $H_i(x_i) \equiv H_i(x_i; y_i^{(0)})$  is upper semicontinuous, and its range is closed and convex.

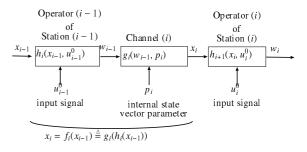
As a result, we have the theorem:

**Theorem 1** Let  $X_i$  be a reflexive real Banach space, and  $X_i^{(0)}$  be a non-empty bounded closed convex subset of  $X_i$ . By the dual space  $X'_i$ , let us introduce a weak topology  $\sigma(X_i, X'_i)$  into  $X_i$ . Let  $f_i$  and  $F_i$  be deterministic and fuzzyset-valued mappings, respectively, which satisfy Assumptions 1 and 2. Then, we have a Cauchy sequence  $\{x_i^{\nu}\} \subset X_i^{(0)}$  ( $\nu = 0, 1, ...$ ), introduced by the successive procedure in Lemma 1. This sequence has a set of limit points  $\{\bar{x}_i\}$ , and we can define a set-valued mapping  $H_i$  by the correspondence from the arbitrary starting point  $z_i^{(0)} \equiv x_i \in X_i^{(0)}$ to the set of limit points  $\{\bar{x}_i\}$  in  $X_i^{(0)}$  :  $\bar{x}_i \in H_i(x_i)$ . This set-valued mapping  $H_i$  has a fixed point  $x_i^*$  in  $X_i^{(0)}$ , which is, in turn, the solution of the system of set-valued mapping equations (9).

## 4. An Application to Recurrent Ring Nonlinear Network Systems with Undesirable Fluctuations

The fixed point theorem here-derived can be applied immediately to analysis for characteristics of recurrent ring nonlinear network systems with undesirable fluctuations and to fine evaluation of available behaviors of those disturbed systems.

Let us consider a recurrent ring nonlinear network system which consists of *n* stations and *n* unilateral nonlinear channels. The station (*i*) is operated by the operator (*i*),  $(i = 1, \dots, n \equiv 0)$ . For instance, in consideration of the output signal  $x_{i-1}$  of the channel (*i*-1), the operator (*i*-1), at the station (*i*-1), operates his own input signal  $u_{i-1}^0$  and gives the input signal  $w_{i-1}$  into the channel (*i*). The channel (*i*) transfers this input signal  $w_{i-1}$  to the output side as an input signal  $x_i$  of the station (*i*). The function of the operator (*i*-1) is described as



$$w_{i-1} = h_i(x_{i-1}, u_{i-1}^0), \tag{14}$$

and the nonlinear function of the channel (i) is described as

$$x_i = g_i(w_{i-1}, p_i),$$
 (15)

where  $p_i$  denotes the internal state vector parameter of channel (*i*), representative of whole internal structures and

parameters. For fixed  $u_{i-1}^0$  and  $p_i$ , functions  $h_i$  and  $g_i$  can be abbreviated as  $h_i(x_{i-1})$  and  $g_i(w_{i-1})$ , respectively. Incidentally, we denote

$$f_i(x_{i-1}) \stackrel{\scriptscriptstyle \Delta}{=} g_i(h_i(x_{i-1})). \tag{16}$$

As we previously pointed out, undesirable fluctuations are often induced into ill-conditioned communication channels. In fact, in our ring network system, output signals  $x_i$  sometimes undergo undesirable uncertain fluctuations forming closed subsets  $G_i(h_i(x_{i-1}), f_i(x_{i-1}))$  in each space  $X_i$ , respectively. So, for such a disturbed output signal  $x_i$ , we can define a new set-valued nonlinear mapping:

$$F_i(x_{i-1}, f_i(x_{i-1})) \stackrel{\scriptscriptstyle \Delta}{=} G_i(h_i(x_{i-1}), f_i(x_{i-1})).$$
(17)

Thus, the behavior of the channel (*i*) can be described in the form:

$$x_i \in F_i(x_{i-1}, f_i(x_{i-1})).$$
 (18)

Originally, these sets are crisp. However, in order to introduce more fine estimation into these resultant fluctuation sets, here we can reconsider anew these sets  $F_i$  as fuzzy sets. Then, let us replace the above described crisp sets  $F_i(x_{i-1}, f_i(x_{i-1}))$  by fuzzy sets with same notations, accompanied with suitable membership functions  $\mu_{F_i}(\xi_i), \xi_i \in X_i$ , which should be properly introduced corresponding to conscious planning for the fine evaluation of resultant fluctuations themselves.

Now, for any fixed constant  $\beta_i \in (0, 1]$  different for every channel (*i*), separately, then, we can accomplish fine estimation of fuzzy set  $F_i(x_i, f_i(x_{i-1}))$ , by using individual  $\beta_i$ -level ( $i = 1, \dots, n \equiv 0$ ), respectively. So, for every fixed constant  $\beta_i \in (0, 1]$ , we can introduce a new system of  $\beta_i$ -level fuzzy-set-valued nonlinear mapping equations:

$$x_i \in_{\beta_i} F_i(x_{i-1}, f_i(x_{i-1})), \ (i = 1, 2, \cdots, n \equiv 0).$$
 (19)

If there exists a set of  $\beta_i$ -level fixed points  $\{x_i^*\}$  in  $X_i^{(0)}$  $(i = 1, \dots, n \equiv 0)$ , which satisfy the system of  $\beta_i$ -level fuzzy-set-valued mapping equations (19), each  $x_i^*$  can be considered as a  $\beta_i$ -level likelihood output signal of channel (*i*), with internal state  $p_i$  being affected by uncertain fuzzy fluctuation, for fixed input signal  $u_{i-1}^0$  of station (*i*-1)  $(i = 1, \dots, n \equiv 0)$ . Here, this  $\beta_i$ -level likelihood signal  $x_i^*$  can be found in a closed domain in which membership function  $\mu_{F_i(x_{i-1}^*,y_i^*)}(\xi_i)$  has value larger than or equal to  $\beta_i$ , individually.

Thus, the fluctuation analysis of this type of recurrent ring networks of unilateral nonlinear channels, undergone by undesirable uncertain fluctuations, can be successfully accomplished at extremely fine-level of estimation, by immediate application of the here-presented fixed point theorem in weak topology for system of  $\beta_i$ -level fuzzy-setvalued nonlinear mappings, with consciously selected values of parameters  $\beta_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n \equiv 0$ ).

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