

## NEW INTUITIONISTIC FUZZY LEVEL SETS

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ABSTRACT. The concept of Intuitionistic Fuzzy Sheet  $t$ -Cut Set and Intuitionistic Fuzzy  $\alpha - t$  Block Cut Set are introduced. The differences between  $C_{\alpha,\beta}$  level set and new intuitionistic fuzzy sets is shown.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

The function  $\mu : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is called a fuzzy set over  $X(FS(X))[?]$ . For  $x \in X$ ,  $\mu(x)$  is the membership degree of  $x$  and the non-membership degree is  $1 - \mu(x)$ . Intuitionistic fuzzy sets have been introduced by Atanassov [2], as an extension of fuzzy sets. If  $X$  is a universal then a intuitionistic fuzzy set  $A$ , the membership and non-membership degree for each  $x \in X$  respectively,  $\mu_A(x)(\mu_A : X \rightarrow [0, 1])$  and  $\nu_A(x)(\nu_A : X \rightarrow [0, 1])$  such that  $0 \leq \mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) \leq 1$ . The class of intuitionistic fuzzy sets on  $X$  is denoted by  $IFS(X)$ .

**Definition 1.1.** [2] An intuitionistic fuzzy set (shortly IFS) on a set  $X$  is an object of the form

$$A = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle : x \in X \}$$

where  $\mu_A(x), (\mu_A : X \rightarrow [0, 1])$  is called the “degree of membership of  $x$  in  $A$ ”,  $\nu_A(x), (\nu_A : X \rightarrow [0, 1])$  is called the “degree of non-membership of  $x$  in  $A$ ”, and where  $\mu_A$  and  $\nu_A$  satisfy the following condition:

$$\mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) \leq 1, \text{ for all } x \in X.$$

**Definition 1.2.** [1] An intuitionistic fuzzy set  $A$  is said to be contained in an intuitionistic fuzzy set  $B$  if and only if, for all  $x \in X : \mu_A(x) \leq \mu_B(x)$  and  $\nu_A(x) \geq \nu_B(x)$ . If fuzzy set  $B$  contains fuzzy set  $A$  then it is shown by  $A \sqsubseteq B$ .

It is clear that  $A = B$  if and only if  $A \sqsubseteq B$  and  $B \sqsubseteq A$ .

**Definition 1.3.** [2] Let  $A \in IFS(X)$  and let  $A = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle : x \in X \}$  then the set

$$A^c = \{ \langle x, \nu_A(x), \mu_A(x) \rangle : x \in X \}$$

is called the complement of  $A$ .

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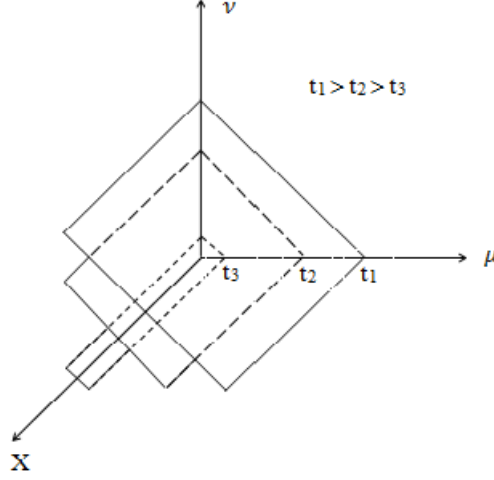


FIGURE 1

The intersection and the union of two IFSs  $A$  and  $B$  on  $X$  are defined by

$$A \sqcap B = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x) \wedge \mu_B(x), \nu_A(x) \vee \nu_B(x) \rangle : x \in X \}$$

$$A \sqcup B = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x) \vee \mu_B(x), \nu_A(x) \wedge \nu_B(x) \rangle : x \in X \}$$

Some special Intuitionistic Fuzzy Sets on  $X$  are defined as following;

$$O^* = \{ \langle x, 0, 1 \rangle : x \in X \}$$

$$U^* = \{ \langle x, 0, 0 \rangle : x \in X \}$$

**Definition 1.4.** [4] Let  $A \in IFS(X)$ . Then  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -cut of  $A$  is a crisp subset  $C_{\alpha, \beta}(A)$  of the IFS  $A$  is given by

$$C_{\alpha, \beta}(A) = \{ x : x \in X \text{ such that } \mu_A(x) \geq \alpha, \nu_A(x) \leq \beta \}$$

where  $\alpha, \beta \in [0, 1]$  with  $\alpha + \beta \leq 1$ .

## 2. SHEET AND BLOCK CUT INTUITIONISTIC FUZZY LEVEL SETS

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $X$  be a set and  $A = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle : x \in X \} \in IFS(X)$ . If  $t \in [0, 1]$  then sheet  $t$ -cut of  $A$  defined as following

$$A(t) = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle : \mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) = t, x \in X \}$$

**Proposition 2.1.** Let  $X$  be a set and  $A, B \in IFS(X)$ . For every  $t \in [0, 1]$ ,

- (1)  $(A \sqcup B)(t) = A(t) \sqcup B(t)$
- (2)  $A(t) \sqcap B(t) = (A \sqcap B)(t)$
- (3)  $(A^c(t))^c = A(t)$

*Proof.* (1)

$$A(t) \sqcup B(t) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \langle x, \max(\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x)), \min(\nu_A(x), \nu_B(x)) \rangle : \\ \mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) = t \wedge \mu_B(x) + \nu_B(x) = t, x \in X \end{array} \right\}$$

If  $\mu_A(x) \geq \mu_B(x)$  then from  $\mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) = t = \mu_B(x) + \nu_B(x)$  we obtain  $\nu_A(x) \leq \nu_B(x)$ .

$$\max(\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x)) + \min(\nu_A(x), \nu_B(x)) = \mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) = t$$

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$$\max(\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x)) + \min(\nu_A(x), \nu_B(x)) = \mu_B(x) + \nu_B(x) = t$$

Thence,  $(A \sqcup B)(t) = A(t) \sqcup B(t)$ .

(2)

$$A(t) \sqcap B(t) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \langle x, \min(\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x)), \max(\nu_A(x), \nu_B(x)) \rangle : \\ \mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) = t \wedge \mu_B(x) + \nu_B(x) = t, x \in X \end{array} \right\}$$

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$$\min(\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x)) + \max(\nu_A(x), \nu_B(x)) = \mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) = t$$

Therefore, we obtain that  $A(t) \sqcap B(t) = (A \sqcap B)(t)$ .

(3) It is clear. □

*Remark 2.1.* Let  $X$  be a set and  $A \in IFS(X)$ .  $A(t)$  is a fuzzy set on  $[0, t]$ .

**Proposition 2.2.** Let  $X$  be a set and  $A \in IFS(X)$ . If  $t, s \in [0, 1]$  then

$$\text{Either } A(t) \sqcap A(s) = O^* \text{ or } t = s$$

*Proof.* If  $A(t) \sqcap A(s) \neq O^*$  and  $t \neq s$  then there exists  $x \in X$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) &= t \text{ and } \mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) = s \\ &\Rightarrow t = s \end{aligned}$$

□

**Corollary 2.1.** There exist an equivalence relation on  $X$  such that the sheet  $t$ -cuts are equivalence class of that relation.

**Definition 2.2.** Let  $X$  be a set and  $A \in IFS(X)$ . If  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $\alpha \in [0, t]$  then

$$A(t)_\alpha = \{x : x \in X, A(t)(x) \geq (\alpha, t - \alpha)\}$$

is called  $\alpha - t$  block cut of  $A$ .

From definitions, it is easily seen that for every  $t \in [0, 1]$ ,  $A(t) \in FS(X)$ . Because  $A(t) : X \rightarrow [0, t]$  and  $[0, t] \sim [0, 1]$ . For short notation, if  $A(t) : X \rightarrow [0, t]$  then  $A(t)$  will be called  $t$ -fuzzy set on  $X$  ( $A(t) \in FS_t(X)$ ). It is clear that  $A(t)_\alpha$  is a crisp set.

**Proposition 2.3.** Let  $X$  be a set and  $A \in IFS(X)$ . If  $t \in [0, 1]$  then

- (1)  $A(t)_t = \{x : x \in X, \mu_A(x) = t \wedge \nu_A(x) = 0\}$
- (2)  $A(t)_0 = \{x : x \in X, \mu_A(x) \geq 0 \wedge \nu_A(x) \leq t\}$

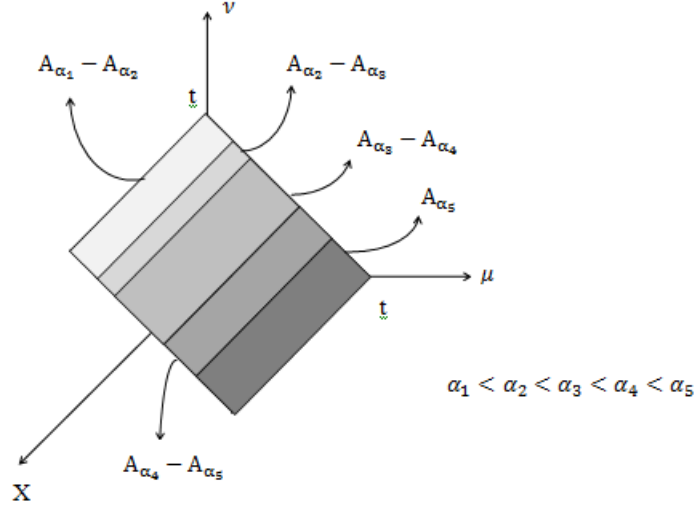


FIGURE 2

$$(3) A(0) = U^*$$

**Example 2.1.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$  and  $A = \{(a, 0.5, 0.4), (b, 0.2, 0.3), (c, 0.5, 0.3), (d, 0.4, 0.4), (e, 0.4, 0.1)\}$ .

- (1)  $A(0.5)_{0.3} = \{e\}$  but  $C_{0.3,0.5}(A) = \{a, c, d, e\}$  and  $C_{0.5,0.3}(A) = \{c\}$ .
- (2)  $A(0.8)_{0.5} = \{c\}$  but  $0.8 + 0.5 > 1$  so, we can not obtain  $C_{0.5,0.8}(A)$  or  $C_{0.8,0.5}(A)$ .

**Example 2.2.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$  and  $A = \{(a, 0.1, 0.2), (b, 0.4, 0.3), (c, 0.6, 0.2), (d, 0.7, 0.1), (e, 0.2, 0.5)\}$ .

$$A(0.3)_{0.2} = \emptyset \text{ but } C_{0.2,0.3}(A) = \{b, c, d\} \text{ and } C_{0.3,0.2}(A) = \{c, d\}.$$

That is seen from the examples,  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -cut of an intuitionistic fuzzy set  $A$  and  $\alpha - t$  block cut of  $A$  are different sets. For all  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $\alpha \in [0, t]$ , we can determine  $\alpha - t$  block cut of  $A$ , if  $\alpha + t > 1$  then we can not determine  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -cut of  $A$ . Consequently,  $\alpha - t$  block cut of an intuitionistic fuzzy set allows a more extensive studying area.

**Proposition 2.4.** Let  $X$  be a set and  $A \in IFS(X)$ . If  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in [0, t]$  such that  $\alpha \leq \beta$  then  $A(t)_\beta \subseteq A(t)_\alpha$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\alpha \leq \beta$ . If  $x \in A(t)_\beta$  then

$$A(t)(x) \geq (\beta, t - \beta) \geq (\alpha, t - \alpha)$$

Therefore  $x \in A(t)_\alpha$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 2.5.** Let  $X$  be a set and  $A, B \in IFS(X)$ . If  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $\alpha \in [0, t]$  then

- (1)  $A(t)_\alpha \cup B(t)_\alpha = (A(t) \sqcup B(t))_\alpha$
- (2)  $A(t)_\alpha \cap B(t)_\alpha = (A(t) \sqcap B(t))_\alpha$

- (3)  $(A(t)^c)_\alpha = t - A(t)_\alpha, (t(x) = t)$   
 (4)  $(A^c(t)^c)_\alpha = t - A(t)_\alpha = t - A^c(t)_\alpha$

*Proof.* (1)

$$\begin{aligned}
 x \in A(t)_\alpha \cup B(t)_\alpha &\Leftrightarrow A(t)(x) \geq (\alpha, t - \alpha) \vee B(t)(x) \geq (\alpha, t - \alpha) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow (\mu_{A(t)}(x) \geq \alpha \wedge \nu_{A(t)}(x) \leq t - \alpha) \vee (\mu_{B(t)}(x) \geq \alpha \wedge \nu_{B(t)}(x) \leq t - \alpha) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow (\mu_{A(t)}(x) \geq \alpha \vee \mu_{B(t)}(x) \geq \alpha) \wedge (\nu_{A(t)}(x) \leq t - \alpha \vee \nu_{B(t)}(x) \leq t - \alpha) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow (\mu_{A(t)}(x) \vee \mu_{B(t)}(x)) \geq \alpha \wedge (\nu_{A(t)}(x) \wedge \nu_{B(t)}(x)) \leq t - \alpha \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \mu_{A(t) \sqcup B(t)}(x) \geq \alpha \wedge \nu_{A(t) \sqcup B(t)}(x) \leq t - \alpha \\
 &\Leftrightarrow x \in (A(t) \sqcup B(t))_\alpha
 \end{aligned}$$

(2)

$$\begin{aligned}
 A(t)_\alpha \cap B(t)_\alpha &= \{x \in X : A(t)(x) \geq (\alpha, t - \alpha) \wedge B(t)(x) \geq (\alpha, t - \alpha)\} \\
 &= \{x \in X : (\mu_{A(t)}(x) \geq \alpha \wedge \nu_{A(t)}(x) \leq t - \alpha) \wedge (\mu_{B(t)}(x) \geq \alpha \wedge \nu_{B(t)}(x) \leq t - \alpha)\} \\
 &= \{x \in X : (\mu_{A(t)}(x) \geq \alpha \wedge \mu_{B(t)}(x) \geq \alpha) \wedge (\nu_{A(t)}(x) \leq t - \alpha \wedge \nu_{B(t)}(x) \leq t - \alpha)\} \\
 &= \{x \in X : (\mu_{A(t)}(x) \wedge \mu_{B(t)}(x)) \geq \alpha \wedge (\nu_{A(t)}(x) \vee \nu_{B(t)}(x)) \leq t - \alpha\} \\
 &= \{x \in X : \mu_{A(t) \sqcap B(t)}(x) \geq \alpha \wedge \nu_{A(t) \sqcap B(t)}(x) \leq t - \alpha\} \\
 &= (A(t) \sqcap B(t))_\alpha
 \end{aligned}$$

(3)

$$\begin{aligned}
 (A(t)^c)_\alpha &= \{x \in X : A(t)^c(x) \geq (\alpha, t - \alpha)\} \\
 &= \{x \in X : \nu_{A(t)}(x) \geq \alpha \wedge \mu_{A(t)}(x) \leq t - \alpha\} \\
 &= \{x \in X : t - \nu_{A(t)}(x) \leq t - \alpha \wedge t - \mu_{A(t)}(x) \geq \alpha\} \\
 &= \{x \in X : (t - A(t))(x) \geq (\alpha, t - \alpha)\} \\
 &= t - A(t)_\alpha
 \end{aligned}$$

□

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