

Intuitionistic L-fuzzy set and intuitionistic N-fuzzy set

Mujahid Abdullahi^{a, b, c,*}, Tahir Ahmad^{a, b}, Vinod Ramachandran^d

^a Centre for Sustainable Nanomaterials, Ibnu Sina Institute for Scientific and Industrial Research, Universiti Teknologi Malaysia, Skudai 81310, Johor, Malaysia

^b Department of Mathematical Sciences, Faculty of Science, Universiti Teknologi Malaysia, 81310 UTM Johor Bahru, Johor, Malaysia

^c Department of Mathematics and Computer Science, Faculty of Natural and Applied Sciences, Sule Lamido University Kafin Hausa 048, Jigawa State, Nigeria.

^d Faculty of Business, Economics and Accounting HELP University, 50490 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

* Corresponding author: amujahid@live.utm.my

Article history

Submitted 11 January 2018
 Revised 28 February 2018
 Accepted 10 Mac 2018
 Published Online 28 Mac 2018

Abstract

In this paper we prove that the concept of intuitionistic N-fuzzy sets (briefly INFS) proposed by Akram et al in [5] is equivalent to ILFS and it's not a generalization of IFS. We concluded that IFS, ILFS, INFS and L-fuzzy sets are all equivalent.

Keywords: Fuzzy Set; L-Fuzzy Set; Intuitionistic fuzzy sets; Intuitionistic L-fuzzy sets; Intuitionistic N-fuzzy sets

© 2018 Penerbit UTM Press. All rights reserved

INTRODUCTION

In 1965, Zadeh introduced the concept of fuzzy sets in his classical paper and two years later Goguen introduced the idea of L-fuzzy sets as the generalization of Zadeh's fuzzy sets in 1967. In another direction, Atassanov and Stoeva introduced another fuzzy object called Intuitionistic Fuzzy Sets (IFS) and Intuitionistic L-Fuzzy Sets (ILFS) in 1983 and 1986, as the generalization of both Fuzzy set and L-fuzzy sets.

In 2000, G.J Wang and Y.Y. He shows that intuitionistic fuzzy sets, intuitionistic L-fuzzy sets and L-fuzzy sets are equivalent. In this paper we prove that the concept of intuitionistic N-fuzzy sets (briefly INFS) proposed by Akram et al in [5] is indeed equivalent to ILFS and it's not a generalization of IFS and we concluded that IFS, ILFS, INFS and L-fuzzy set are all equivalent

The rest of this paper is organized as follows. Preliminaries briefly review some related literature. Next we state and proves two theorems and a corollary which show that Intuitionistic N-fuzzy set (INFS) can be transform to Intuitionistic L-fuzzy set (ILFS) and IFS, ILFS, INFS and L-fuzzy set are all equivalent. Finally, we give some conclusion

PRELIMENARIES

Here we present some fundamental definitions that are needed.

Definition 1. [1] Let L be a non-empty partially ordered set

- I. If $x \vee y$ and $x \wedge y$ exist for all $x, y \in L$, then L is called a **lattice**.
- II. If $\bigwedge S$ and $\bigvee S$ exist for all $S \subseteq L$, then L is called a **complete lattice**.

Definition 2. [2] Let X be a collection of objects, with a generic element of X denoted by x . A Fuzzy set F in X is characterized by a membership function $\mu_F: X \rightarrow [0,1]$, with the value of $\mu_F(x)$ representing the grade of membership of x in F .

Definition 3. [3] Let X be a non-empty crisp set and let L be a complete lattice. An L -Fuzzy set, on X , is a mapping:

$$A: X \rightarrow L$$

If the poset L correspond with the interval $[0,1]$, we obtain the definition of fuzzy set.

Definition 4. [4] Let E be a non-empty crisp set. An IFS A^* in E is an object having the form

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

where $\mu_A: E \rightarrow [0,1]$ and $\nu_A: E \rightarrow [0,1]$ define the degree of membership and the degree of non-membership of the element $x \in E$ to $A \subset E$, respectively, and

$$(\forall x \in E)(0 \leq \mu_A(x), +\nu_A(x) \leq 1),$$

Definition 5. [4] Let E be a non-empty crisp set. An ILFS A^* in E is an object having the form

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

where $\mu_A: E \rightarrow L$ and $\nu_A: E \rightarrow L$ satisfying the condition

$$(\forall x \in E)(\mu_A(x) \leq N(\nu_A(x))),$$

where N is the order-reversing involution on L .

The authors of [5] used the idea of negative fuzzy set (briefly N-fuzzy set) to proposed the concept of intuitionistic N-fuzzy sets

Definition 6. [5] An intuitionistic N-fuzzy set (INFS) A in a non-empty set X is an object of the form

$$A^* = \{ \langle x, \bar{\mu}_A, \gamma_A \rangle : x \in X \}, \quad \text{where } \bar{\mu}_A: X \rightarrow [-1, 0] \quad \text{and} \\ \gamma_A: X \rightarrow [-1, 0] \text{ such that } -1 \leq \bar{\mu}_A(x), +\gamma_A(x) \leq 0 \text{ for all } x \in X.$$

THE EQUIVALENCE

Here we state and proves two theorems and a corollary which show that Intuitionistic N-fuzzy set (INFS) can be transform to Intuitionistic L-fuzzy set (ILFS) and IFS, ILFS, INFS and L-fuzzy set are all equivalent

Theorem 1. The concept of Intuitionistic N-fuzzy set (INFS) and Intuitionistic L-fuzzy set (ILFS) are equivalent.

Proof. Recall that a fuzzy set A^* in E is an object having the form

$$A^* = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x) \rangle : x \in E \}, \tag{1}$$

In other word (1) means a corresponding

$$(\forall x \in E)(x \mapsto \mu_A(x))$$

In general case, it can be written as $f: E \rightarrow [0, 1] \ni f = \{ \langle x, \mu_f(x) \rangle : x \in E \}$. The function $f': E \rightarrow [0, 1]^2$ can be written as

$$f' = \{ \langle x, \mu_f(x), \nu_f(x) \rangle : x \in E \}$$

whereby $\mu_f(x)$ and $\nu_f(x)$ are the first and second coordinates of $f^*(x)$ in $[0, 1]^2$, respectively

Now when f^* is restricted with the condition $(\forall x \in E)(0 \leq \mu_A(x), +\nu_A(x) \leq 1)$, then f^* will be intuitionistic fuzzy set (IFS)

The set, $[0, 1]^2$ can be replaced by $[-1, 0]^2$ or simply $[0, 1]$ can be replaced by $[-1, 0]$, by using a function $t: [0, 1] \rightarrow [-1, 0] \ni t(x) = x - 1$ which is one to one and onto. Hence $[0, 1] \cong [-1, 0]$.

Furthermore, $[-1, 0]$ is a lattice since we can show that it is partially ordered set (poset) in the form of $([-1, 0], \leq)$ and every $x, y \in [-1, 0]$ has a least upper bound and a greatest lower bound. Therefore, we can introduce $f^{**}: E \rightarrow [0, 1]^2$ and can be written as $f^{**} = \{ \langle x, \mu_f(x), \nu_f(x) \rangle : x \in E \}$

When f^* is restricted with the condition $(\forall x \in E)(-1 \leq \mu_A(x), +\nu_A(x) \leq 0)$, then f^{**} will be intuitionistic N-fuzzy set (INFS).

In other words, INFS can be transformed in to IFS. Without loss of generality, $INFS \cong IFS$ and by [6] $INFS \cong ILFS$ ■

Corollary. Intuitionistic N-fuzzy set is equivalent to L-fuzzy set.

Proof. Observe that by the theorem above $INFS \cong ILFS$, and by the theorem 2 in [6] we have $ILFS \cong IFS$. Therefore, $INFS \cong L$ -fuzzy set.

Theorem 2. The concept of IFS, ILFS, INFS and L-fuzzy set are all equivalent.

Proof. By the theorem 1, corollary and theorem 2 of [6], IFS, ILFS, INFS and L-fuzzy set are equivalent. ■

By studying the properties of IFS, ILFS and INFS, we will obtain properties similar to that of L-fuzzy set, which is not surprising since there are all equivalent. Therefore that INFS it is not a generalization of IFS as suggested by [5]

CONCLUSION

In this paper, we state and proved a theorem which shows that INFS is equivalent to ILFS, further, using the theorem and theorem 2 in [6], we proved that IFS, ILFS, INFS and L-fuzzy set are all equivalent

ACKNOLEDGEMENT

This work is financially supported by GUP Tier 1 (13H17) and FRGS (4F756)

REFERENCES

- [1] Davey, Brian A., and Hilary, A. Priestley. 2002. *Introduction to Lattices and Order*. Cambridge University Press.
- [2] Zadeh, Lotfi A. Fuzzy sets. 1965. *Information and Control*, 8(3), 338-353.
- [3] Goguen, Joseph, A. L-fuzzy sets. 1967. *Journal of Mathematical Analysis and Applications*, 18(1), 145-174.
- [4] Atanassov, Krassimir, T. Intuitionistic fuzzy sets. 1986. *Fuzzy Sets and Systems*, 20(1), 87-96.
- [5] Akram, M., Kavikumar, J., and Khamis, A. 2016. Intuitionistic N-fuzzy sets and its application in bit-ternary semigroups. *Journal of Intelligent and Fuzzy System*, 30(2), 951-960.
- [6] Guo-Jun, W., and Ying-Yu, H. 2000. Intuitionistic fuzzy sets and L-fuzzy sets. *Fuzzy Sets and Systems* 110(2), 271-274.