

## Intuitionistic L-fuzzy set and intuitionistic N-fuzzy set

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### 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.

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## 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

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