

## Intuitionistic Fuzzy Sets and its Applications in Medical Diagnosis

*A.Edward Samuel and S.Rajakumar*

Ramanujan Research Centre  
P.G and Research Department of Mathematics,  
GAC(A), Kumbakonam, TamilNadu, India

*Received 13 November 2017; accepted 5 December 2017*

**Abstract.** In this paper, we propose a new approach for medical diagnosis with the symptoms of disease using intuitionistic fuzzy sets with extended modal operators for negation.

**Keywords:** Intuitionistic fuzzy set, intuitionistic fuzzy relation, extended modal operators for negation, intuitionistic medical diagnosis.

**AMS Mathematics Subject Classification (2010):** 03B52, 92C50, 91B06, 03E72, 03B80

### 1. Introduction

The field of medicine is one of the best areas of application of fuzzy set theory. In the discrimination analysis, the symptoms are ranked according to the grade of discrimination of each disease by a particular symptom.

In real world, we frequently deal with vague or imprecise information. Information available is sometimes vague, sometimes inexact or sometimes insufficient. Out of several higher order fuzzy sets, intuitionistic fuzzy sets(IFS)[2,3] have been found to be highly useful to deal with vagueness. There are situations where due to insufficiency in the information available, the evaluation of membership values is not possible to our satisfaction. Due to some reason, evaluation of non-membership values is not also always possible and consequently there remains a part in deterministic on which hesitation survives. Certainly Fuzzy sets theory is not appropriate to deal with such problem, rather IFS theory is more suitable. Out of several generalizations of fuzzy set theory for various objectives, the notion introduced by Atanassov [2] in defining intuitionistic fuzzy sets is interesting and useful. Fuzzy sets are intuitionistic fuzzy sets but the converse is not necessarily true [2]. In fact there are situations where IFS theory is more appropriate to deal with [6]. Besides, it has been cultured in [7] that vague sets [8] are nothing but IFS.

In the present paper we study Sanchez's method [9] for medical diagnosis using the name as extended modal operators for negation [EMON] of IFS theory [4]. The method of intuitionistic medical diagnosis[IMD] involves intuitionistic fuzzy relations[IFR] as defined in [5].

## 2. Preliminaries

We give here some basic definitions, which are used in our next section

**Definition 2.1.** Let a set E be fixed. An intuitionistic fuzzy set (IFS) A in E is an object having the form.  $\check{A} = \{\langle x, \mu_A(x), \gamma_A(x) \rangle / x \in X\}$  where the function  $\mu_A: E \rightarrow [0,1]$  and  $\gamma_A: E \rightarrow [0,1]$  define the degree of membership and degree of non-membership respectively of the element  $x \in E$  to the set A. which is a subset of E and for every  $x \in E, 0 \leq \mu_A(x) + \gamma_A(x) \leq 1$ .

The amount  $\pi_A(x) = 1 - (\mu_A(x) + \gamma_A(x))$  is called the hesitation part which may cater to either membership value or non-membership value or both.

## 3. Methodology

**Definition 3.1.** If A and B are two IFS of the set E, then

$$\begin{aligned} A \cap B &= \{\langle x, \min(\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x)), \max(\gamma_A(x), \gamma_B(x)) \rangle / x \in E\} \\ A \cup B &= \{\langle x, \max(\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x)), \min(\gamma_A(x), \gamma_B(x)) \rangle / x \in E\} \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 3.2.** An operator over an intuitionistic fuzzy set A ( IFS A), given the fixed numbers  $\alpha, \beta \in [0,1]$ , as

$$h_{\alpha, \beta}(A) = \{\langle x, \alpha \cdot \gamma_A(x), \mu_A(x) + \beta \cdot \pi_A(x) \rangle / x \in E\}$$

## 4. Medical diagnosis

Suppose S is a set of symptoms, D is a set of Disease and P is a set of patient. Let  $F_1$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy relations[IFR]  $F_1(P \rightarrow S)$  and  $F_2$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy relations[IFR]  $F_2(S \rightarrow D)$ .

Then

$$\begin{aligned} F_1 &= A \cap B = \{\langle x, \min(\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x)), \max(\gamma_A(x), \gamma_B(x)) \rangle / x \in E\} \\ F_2 &= A \cup B = \{\langle x, \max(\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x)), \min(\gamma_A(x), \gamma_B(x)) \rangle / x \in E\} \\ F_3 &= (F_1 \circ F_2) \\ F_4 &= h_{\alpha, \beta}(A) = \{\langle x, \alpha \cdot \gamma_A(x), \mu_A(x) + \beta \cdot \pi_A(x) \rangle / x \in E\} \\ &\text{Here } \alpha, \beta = 0.5 \\ F_5 &= \mu_A(x) \vee \gamma_A(x) = \max\{\mu_A(x), \gamma_A(x)\} \end{aligned}$$

### 4.1. Algorithm

#### Step 1:

$F_1(P \rightarrow S)$  and  $F_2(S \rightarrow D)$  are applied in Table 1 and Table 2, we get the results is named Table 3 (ie, compute  $F_3 = (F_1 \circ F_2)$ )

#### Step 2:

The Table 3 values are applied in the formula  $F_4$ , and get the results is named Table 4.

#### Step 3:

The Table 4 values applied in  $F_5$  and get the result is named Table 5.

#### Step 4:

### Intuitionistic Fuzzy Sets and its Applications in Medical Diagnosis

Finally, we select the maximum value from (Table 5) each row, and then we conclude that the Patients  $P_i (i = 1, 2, 3, 4)$  is suffering from the Disease  $D_j (j = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)$

#### 4.2. Case study

Let there be four Patients  $P = \{P_1, P_2, P_3, P_4\}$  and the set of symptoms

$S = \{\text{Headache, Acidity, Burning Eyes, Back pain, Depression}\}$

Let the set of Disease be  $D = \{\text{Stress, Ulcer, Vision problem, Spinal problems, Blood pressure}\}$ .

**Table 1:** IFR  $F_1(P \rightarrow S)$

	<b>Headache</b>	<b>Acidity</b>	<b>Burning Eyes</b>	<b>Back Pain</b>	<b>Depression</b>
$P_1$	(0.9, 0.1)	(0.7, 0.2)	(0.2, 0.8)	(0.7, 0.2)	(0.2, 0.7)
$P_2$	(0.0, 0.7)	(0.4, 0.5)	(0.6, 0.2)	(0.2, 0.7)	(0.1, 0.2)
$P_3$	(0.7, 0.1)	(0.7, 0.1)	(0.0, 0.5)	(0.1, 0.7)	(0.0, 0.6)
$P_4$	(0.5, 0.1)	(0.4, 0.3)	(0.4, 0.5)	(0.8, 0.2)	(0.3, 0.4)

**Table 2:** IFR  $F_2(S \rightarrow D)$

	<b>Stress</b>	<b>Ulcer</b>	<b>Vision Problem</b>	<b>Spinal Problems</b>	<b>Blood Pressure</b>
<b>Headache</b>	(0.3, 0.0)	(0.0, 0.6)	(0.2, 0.2)	(0.2, 0.8)	(0.2, 0.8)
<b>Acidity</b>	(0.3, 0.5)	(0.2, 0.6)	(0.5, 0.2)	(0.1, 0.5)	(0.0, 0.7)
<b>Burning Eyes</b>	(0.2, 0.8)	(0.0, 0.8)	(0.1, 0.7)	(0.7, 0.0)	(0.2, 0.8)
<b>Back Pain</b>	(0.7, 0.3)	(0.5, 0.0)	(0.2, 0.6)	(0.1, 0.7)	(0.1, 0.8)
<b>Depression</b>	(0.2, 0.6)	(0.1, 0.8)	(0.2, 0.8)	(0.2, 0.7)	(0.8, 0.1)

**Table 3:** Using Step 1 (i.e., compute  $F_3 = (F_1 \circ F_2)$ )

	<b>Stress</b>	<b>Ulcer</b>	<b>Vision Problem</b>	<b>Spinal Problems</b>	<b>Blood Pressure</b>
$P_1$	(0.7, 0.1)	(0.5, 0.2)	(0.5, 0.2)	(0.2, 0.5)	(0.2, 0.7)
$P_2$	(0.3, 0.5)	(0.2, 0.6)	(0.4, 0.5)	(0.6, 0.2)	(0.2, 0.2)
$P_3$	(0.3, 0.1)	(0.2, 0.6)	(0.5, 0.2)	(0.2, 0.5)	(0.2, 0.6)
$P_4$	(0.7, 0.1)	(0.5, 0.2)	(0.4, 0.2)	(0.4, 0.5)	(0.3, 0.4)

**Table 4:** Using Step 2

	<b>Stress</b>	<b>Ulcer</b>	<b>Vision Problem</b>	<b>Spinal Problems</b>	<b>Blood Pressure</b>
$P_1$	(0.05, 0.80)	(0.10, 0.65)	(0.10, 0.65)	(0.25, 0.35)	(0.35, 0.35)
$P_2$	(0.25, 0.40)	(0.30, 0.30)	(0.25, 0.45)	(0.10, 0.70)	(0.30, 0.50)
$P_3$	(0.05, 0.60)	(0.30, 0.30)	(0.40, 0.65)	(0.25, 0.35)	(0.30, 0.30)
$P_4$	(0.05, 0.80)	(0.10, 0.65)	(0.10, 0.60)	(0.25, 0.45)	(0.20, 0.45)

**Table 5:** Using Step 3 and Step 4

	<b>Stress</b>	<b>Ulcer</b>	<b>Vision Problem</b>	<b>Spinal Problems</b>	<b>Blood Pressure</b>
$P_1$	<b>0.80</b>	0.65	0.65	0.35	0.35
$P_2$	0.40	0.30	0.45	<b>0.70</b>	0.50
$P_3$	0.60	0.30	<b>0.65</b>	0.35	0.30
$P_4$	<b>0.80</b>	0.65	0.60	0.45	0.45

From the results of the disease from Table 5, we see that the max value of  $P_1$  and  $P_4$  is 0.80 and therefore both of them suffer from Stress. The max value of  $P_2$  is 0.70 This concludes that  $P_2$  faces Spinal Problem. Whereas the max value of  $P_3$  is 0.65 and therefore  $P_3$  faces Vision Problem.

### 5. Conclusion

In this paper, a new technique to diagnose the symptom of the disease using intuitionistic fuzzy set is proposed and it is successful and effective to solve many problems faced by patients.

**Acknowledgement.** The authors thank to the Managing Editor and the anonymous reviewer for his suggestion which have led to an improvement in both quality and clarity of the paper.

### REFERENCES

1. K.Atanassov, Intuitionistic fuzzy sets, *Fuzzy Sets and Systems*, 20 (1986) 87-96.
2. K.Atanassov, New operations defined over intuitionistic fuzzy sets, *Fuzzy Sets and Systems*, 61 (1994) 137-142.
3. K.Atanassov, On the modal operators defined over the intuitionistic fuzzy sets, *Notes on Intuitionistic Fuzzy Sets*, 10(1) (2004) 7-12.

#### Intuitionistic Fuzzy Sets and its Applications in Medical Diagnosis

4. R.Biswas, Intuitionistic fuzzy relations, *Bull. Sous. Ens. Flous. Appl.*, 70 (1997) 22-29.
5. R.Biswas, On fuzzy sets and intuitionistic fuzzy sets, *NIFS*, 3 (1997) 3-11.
6. H.Bustince and P.Burillo, Vague sets are intuitionistic fuzzy sets, *Fuzzy Sets and Systems*, 79 (1996) 403-405.
7. W.L.Gau and D.J.Buehrer, Vague sets, *IEEE Trans, Systems Man Cybernet*, 23 (2) (1993) 610-614.
8. E.Sanchez, Solutions in composite fuzzy relation equation. application to medical diagnosis in brouwerian logic, in; M.M. Gupta, G.N Saridis, B. R. Gaines (Eds.), *Fuzzy Automata and Decision Process*, Elsevier, North-Holland, 1977.