



# Extension of Crisp Functions on Neutrosophic Sets

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper, we generalize the definition of Neutrosophic sets and to present a method for extending crisp functions on Neutrosophic sets and study some properties of such extended functions.

## 1 INTRODUCTION

$L$ -fuzzy sets constitute a generalization of the notion of Zadeh's [26] fuzzy sets and were introduced by Goguen [8] in 1967, later Atanassov introduced the notion of the intuitionistic fuzzy sets [1] Gau and Buehrer [7] defined vague sets. Bustince and Burillo [2] showed that the notion of vague sets is the same as that of intuitionistic fuzzy sets.

Deschrijver and Kerre [5] established the interrelationship between the theories of fuzzy sets,  $L$ -fuzzy sets, interval valued fuzzy sets, intuitionistic fuzzy sets, intuitionistic  $L$ -fuzzy sets, interval valued intuitionistic fuzzy sets, vague sets and gray sets [4].

The neutrosophic set (NS) was introduced by F. Smarandache [22] who introduced the degree of indeterminacy (i) as independent component in his manuscripts that was published in 1998.

Multi-fuzzy sets [12,13,16] was proposed in 2009 by Sabu Sebastian as an extension of fuzzy sets [8,16] in terms of multi membership functions. In this paper we generalize the definition of neutrosophic sets and introduce extension of crisp functions on neutrosophic sets.

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## 2 PRELIMINARIES

**Definition 2.1** [26] Let  $X$  be a nonempty set. A fuzzy set  $A$  of  $X$  is a mapping  $A : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ , that is,

$$A = \{(x, \mu_A(x)) : \mu_A(x) \text{ is the grade of membership of } x \text{ in } A, x \in X\}.$$

The set of all the fuzzy sets on  $X$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{F}(X)$ .

**Definition 2.2** [26] Let  $X$  be a nonempty ordinary set,  $L$  a complete lattice. An  $L$ -fuzzy set on  $X$  is a mapping  $A : X \rightarrow L$ , that is the family of all the  $L$ -fuzzy sets on  $X$  is just  $L^X$  consisting of all the mappings from  $X$  to  $L$ .

**Definition 2.3** [1] An Intuitionistic Fuzzy Set on  $X$  is a set

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

where  $\mu_A(x) \in [0, 1]$  denotes the membership degree and  $\nu_A(x) \in [0, 1]$  denotes the non-membership degree of  $x$  in  $A$  and

$$\mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) \leq 1, \forall x \in X.$$

**Definition 2.4** [22] A Neutrosophic Set on  $X$  is a set

$$A = \{\langle x, T_A(x), I_A(x), F_A(x) \rangle : x \in X\},$$

where  $T_A(x) \in [0, 1]$  denotes the truth membership degree,  $I_A(x) \in [0, 1]$  denotes the indeterminacy membership degree and  $F_A(x) \in [0, 1]$  denotes the falsity membership degree of  $x$  in  $A$  respectively and

$$0 \leq T_A(x) + I_A(x) + F_A(x) \leq 3, \forall x \in X.$$

For single valued neutrosophic logic  $(T, I, F)$ , the sum of the components is:  $0 \leq T + I + F \leq 3$  when all three components are independent;  $0 \leq T + I + F \leq 2$  when two components are dependent, while the third one is independent from them;  $0 \leq T + I + F \leq 1$  when all three components are dependent.

**Definition 2.5** [12,13,16] Let  $X$  be a nonempty set,  $J$  be an indexing set and  $\{L_j : j \in J\}$  a family of partially ordered sets. A **multi-fuzzy set**  $A$  in  $X$  is a set :

$$A = \{\langle x, (\mu_j(x))_{j \in J} \rangle : x \in X, \mu_j \in L_j^X, j \in J\}.$$

The indexing set  $J$  may be uncountable. The function  $\mu_{\mathbf{A}} = (\mu_j)_{j \in J}$  is called the membership function of the multi-fuzzy set  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\prod_{j \in J} L_j$  is called the value domain. If  $J = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  or the set of all natural numbers, then the membership function  $\mu_{\mathbf{A}} = \langle \mu_1, \mu_2, \dots \rangle$  is a sequence. In particular, if the sequence of the membership function having precisely  $n$ -terms and  $L_j = [0, 1]$ , for  $J = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , then  $n$  is called the dimension and  $\mathbf{M}^n\mathbf{FS}(X)$  denotes the set of all multi-fuzzy sets in  $X$ .

Properties of multi-fuzzy sets, relations on multi-fuzzy sets and multi-fuzzy extensions of crisp functions are depend on the order relations defined in the membership functions. Most of the results in the initial papers [12,13,15,16,18] are based on product order in the membership functions. The paper [21] discussed other order relations like dictionary order, reverse dictionary order on their membership functions.

Let  $\{L_j : j \in J\}$  be a family of partially ordered sets, and  $\mathbf{A} = \{\langle x, (\mu_j(x))_{j \in J} \rangle : x \in X, \mu_j \in L_j^X, j \in J\}$  and  $\mathbf{B} = \{\langle x, (\nu_j(x))_{j \in J} \rangle : x \in X, \nu_j \in L_j^X, j \in J\}$  be multi-fuzzy sets in a nonempty set  $X$ . Note that, if the order relation in their membership functions are either product order, dictionary order or reverse dictionary order [16,21], then;

- $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B}$  if and only if  $\mu_j(x) = \nu_j(x), \forall x \in X$  and for all  $j \in J$
- $\mathbf{A} \sqcup \mathbf{B} = \{\langle x, (\mu_j(x) \vee_j \nu_j(x))_{j \in J} \rangle : x \in X\}$  and
- $\mathbf{A} \sqcap \mathbf{B} = \{\langle x, (\mu_j(x) \wedge_j \nu_j(x))_{j \in J} \rangle : x \in X\},$

where  $\vee_j$  and  $\wedge_j$  are the supremum and infimum defined in  $L_j$  with partial order relation  $\leq_j$ . Set inclusion defined as follows:

- In product order,  $\mathbf{A} \subset \mathbf{B}$  if and only if  $\mu_j(x) < \nu_j(x), \forall x \in X$  and for all  $j \in J$ .
- In dictionary order,  $\mathbf{A} \subset \mathbf{B}$  if and only if  $\mu_1(x) < \nu_1(x)$  or if  $\mu_1(x) = \nu_1(x)$  and  $\mu_2(x) < \nu_2(x), \forall x \in X$ .

**Definition 2.6.** Let  $L$  be a lattice. A mapping  $' : L \rightarrow L$  is called an order reversing involution [25], if for all  $a, b \in L$  :

1.  $a \leq b \Rightarrow b' \leq a'$ ;
2.  $(a')' = a$ .

**Definition 2.7** [23] Let  $' : M \rightarrow M$  and  $' : L \rightarrow L$  be order reversing involutions. A mapping  $h : M \rightarrow L$  is called an order homomorphism, if it satisfies the conditions:

1.  $h(0_M) = 0_L$ ;
2.  $h(\vee a_i) = \vee h(a_i)$ ;
3.  $h^{-1}(b') = (h^{-1}(b))'$ ,

where  $h^{-1} : L \rightarrow M$  is defined by, for every  $b \in L$ ,

$$h^{-1}(b) = \vee \{a \in M : h(a) \leq b\}.$$

Generalized Zadeh extension of crisp functions [24] have prime importance in the study of fuzzy mappings. Sabu Sebastian [16,13] generalized this concept as multi-fuzzy extension of crisp functions and it is useful to map a multi-fuzzy set into another multi-fuzzy set. In the case of a crisp function, there exists infinitely many multi-fuzzy extensions, even though the domain and range of multi-fuzzy extensions are same.

**Definition 2.8** [16] Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  and  $h : \prod M_i \rightarrow \prod L_j$  be a functions. The multi-fuzzy extension of  $f$  and the inverse of the extension are  $f : \prod M_i^X \rightarrow \prod L_j^Y$  and  $f^{-1} : \prod L_j^Y \rightarrow \prod M_i^X$  defined by

$$f(A)(y) = \bigvee_{y=f(x)} h(A(x)), \quad A \in \prod M_i^X, \quad y \in Y$$

and

$$f^{-1}(B)(x) = h^{-1}(B(f(x))), \quad B \in \prod L_j^Y, \quad x \in X;$$

where  $h^{-1}$  is the upper adjoint [23] of  $h$ . The function  $h : \prod M_i \rightarrow \prod L_j$  is called the **bridge function** of the multi-fuzzy extension of  $f$ .

**Remark. 2.9.** In particular, the multi-fuzzy extension of a crisp function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  based on the bridge function  $h : I^k \rightarrow I^n$  can be written as  $f : \mathbf{M}^k\mathbf{FS}(X) \rightarrow \mathbf{M}^n\mathbf{FS}(Y)$  and  $f^{-1} : \mathbf{M}^n\mathbf{FS}(Y) \rightarrow \mathbf{M}^k\mathbf{FS}(X)$ , where

$$f(A)(y) = \sup_{y=f(x)} h(A(x)), \quad A \in \mathbf{M}^k\mathbf{FS}(X), \quad y \in Y$$



and

$$f^{-1}(B)(x) = h^{-1}(B(f(x))), \quad B \in \mathbf{M}^n\mathbf{FS}(Y), \quad x \in X.$$

In the following section  $\prod M_i = \prod L_j = I^3$ .

**Remark. 2.10.** *There exists infinitely many bridge functions. Lattice homomorphism, order homomorphism, lattice valued fuzzy lattices and strong L-fuzzy lattices are examples of bridge functions.*

**Definition 2.11** [10] A function  $t : [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is a  $t$ -norm if  $\forall a, b, c \in [0, 1]$ :

- (1)  $t(a, 1) = a$ ;
- (2)  $t(a, b) = t(b, a)$ ;
- (3)  $t(a, t(b, c)) = t(t(a, b), c)$ ;
- (4)  $b \leq c$  implies  $t(a, b) \leq t(a, c)$ .

Similarly, a  $t$ -conorm ( $s$ -norm) is a commutative, associative and non-decreasing mapping  $s : [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  that satisfies the boundary condition:

$$s(a, 0) = a, \text{ for all } a \in [0, 1].$$

**Definition 2.12** [9] A function  $c : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is called a complement (fuzzy) operation, if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (1)  $c(0) = 1$  and  $c(1) = 0$ ,
- (2) for all  $a, b \in [0, 1]$ , if  $a \leq b$ , then  $c(a) \geq c(b)$ .

**Definition 2.13** [9] A  $t$ -norm  $t$  and a  $t$ -conorm  $s$  are dual with respect to a fuzzy complement operation  $c$  if and only if

$$c(t(a, b)) = s(c(a), c(b))$$

and

$$c(s(a, b)) = t(c(a), c(b)),$$

for all  $a, b \in [0, 1]$ .

**Definition 2.14** [9] Let  $n$  be an integer greater than or equal to 2. A function  $m : [0, 1]^n \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is said to be an aggregation operation for fuzzy sets, if it satisfies the following conditions:

1.  $m$  is continuous;
2.  $m$  is monotonic increasing in all its arguments;
3.  $m(0, 0, \dots, 0) = 0$ ;
4.  $m(1, 1, \dots, 1) = 1$ .

### 3 NEUTROSOPHIC SETS

In this section, we generalize the definition of neutrosophic sets on  $[0, 1]$ . Throughout the following sections  $X$  is the universe of discourse and  $A \in \mathbf{M}^3\mathbf{FS}(X)$  means  $A$  is a multi-fuzzy sets of dimension 3 with value domain  $I^3$ , where  $I^3 = [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ . That is,  $A \in (I^3)^X$ .

**Definition 3.1** Let  $X$  be a nonempty crisp set and  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 3$ . A multi-fuzzy set  $A \in \mathbf{M}^3\mathbf{FS}(X)$  is called a neutrosophic set of order  $\alpha$ , if

$$\mathbf{A} = \{\langle x, T_A(x), I_A(x), F_A(x) \rangle : x \in X, 0 \leq T_A(x) + I_A(x) + F_A(x) \leq \alpha\}.$$

#### Definition 3.2

Let  $A, B$  be neutrosophic sets in  $X$  of order 3 and let  $t, s, m, c$  be the  $t$ -norm,  $s$ -norm, aggregation operation and complement operation respectively. Then the union, intersection and complement are given by

1.  $A \cup B = \{\langle x, s(T_A(x), T_B(x)), m(I_A(x), I_B(x)), t(F_A(x), F_B(x)) \rangle : x \in X\}$ ;
2.  $A \cap B = \{\langle x, t(T_A(x), T_B(x)), m(I_A(x), I_B(x)), s(F_A(x), F_B(x)) \rangle : x \in X\}$ ;
3.  $A^c = \{\langle x, c(T_A(x)), c(I_A(x)), c(F_A(x)) \rangle : x \in X\}$ .

### 4 EXTENSION OF CRISP FUNCTIONS ON NEUTROSOPHIC SET USING ORDER HOMOMORPHISM AS BRIDGE FUNCTION

**Theorem 4.1** If an order homomorphism  $h : I^3 \rightarrow I^3$  is the bridge function for the multi-fuzzy extension of a crisp function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ , then for every  $k \in K$  neutrosophic sets  $A_k$  in  $X$  and  $B_k$  in  $Y$  of order 3;

1.  $A_1 \subseteq A_2$  implies  $f(A_1) \subseteq f(A_2)$ ;

2.  $f(\cup A_k) = \cup f(A_k)$ ;
3.  $f(\cap A_k) \subseteq \cap f(A_k)$ ;
4.  $B_1 \subseteq B_2$  implies  $f^{-1}(B_1) \subseteq f^{-1}(B_2)$ ;
5.  $f^{-1}(\cup B_k) = \cup f^{-1}(B_k)$ ;
6.  $f^{-1}(\cap B_k) = \cap f^{-1}(B_k)$ ;
7.  $(f^{-1}(B))' = f^{-1}(B')$ ;
8.  $A \subseteq f^{-1}(f(A))$ ;
9.  $f(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq B$ .

*Proof.*

1.  $A_1 \subseteq A_2$  implies  $A_1(x) \leq A_2(x), \forall x \in X$  and implies  

$$h(A_1(x)) \leq h(A_2(x)), \forall x \in X.$$

Hence

$$\vee \{h(A_1(x)) : x \in X, y = f(x)\} \leq \vee \{h(A_2(x)) : x \in X, y = f(x)\}$$

and  $f(A_1)(y) \leq f(A_2)(y), \forall y \in Y$ . That is,  $f(A_1) \subseteq f(A_2)$ .

2. For every  $y \in Y$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} f(\cup A_k)(y) &= \vee \{h((\cup A_k)(x)) : x \in X, y = f(x)\} \\ &= \vee \{h(\vee A_k(x)) : x \in X, y = f(x)\} \\ &= \vee \{\vee_{k \in K} h(A_k(x)) : x \in X, y = f(x)\} \\ &= \vee_{k \in K} \vee \{h(A_k(x)) : x \in X, y = f(x)\} \\ &= \vee_{k \in K} f(A_k)(y), \end{aligned}$$

thus  $f(\cup A_k) = \cup f(A_k)$ .

3. For every  $y \in Y$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} f(\cap A_k)(y) &= \vee \{h((\cap A_k)(x)) : x \in X, y = f(x)\} \\ &= \vee \{h(\wedge_{k \in K} A_k(x)) : x \in X, y = f(x)\} \\ &\leq \vee \{h(A_k(x)) : x \in X, y = f(x)\}, \end{aligned}$$

for each  $k \in K$ . Hence

$$f(\cap A_k)(y) \leq \wedge_{k \in K} \vee \{h(A_k(x)) : x \in X, y = f(x)\} = \wedge_{k \in K} f(A_k)(y),$$

thus  $f(\cap A_k) \subseteq \cap f(A_k)$ .

4.  $B_1 \subseteq B_2$  implies  $B_1(y) \leq B_2(y)$ ,  $\forall y \in Y$ . Hence

$$f^{-1}(B_1)(x) = h^{-1}(B_1(f(x))) \leq h^{-1}(B_2(f(x))) = f^{-1}(B_2)(x), \forall x \in X.$$

Therefore,  $f^{-1}(B_1) \subseteq f^{-1}(B_2)$ .

5. For every  $x \in X$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(\cup B_k)(x) &= h^{-1}((\cup B_k)(f(x))) = h^{-1}(\sup_{k \in K} B_k(f(x))) \\ &= \sup_{k \in K} h^{-1}(B_k(f(x))) = \sup_{k \in K} f^{-1}(B_k)(x) \\ &= (\cup f^{-1}(B_k))(x). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $f^{-1}(\cup B_k) = \cup f^{-1}(B_k)$ .

6. For every  $x \in X$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(\cap B_k)(x) &= h^{-1}((\cap B_k)(f(x))) = h^{-1}(\inf_{k \in K} B_k(f(x))) \\ &= \inf_{k \in K} h^{-1}(B_k(f(x))) = \inf_{k \in K} f^{-1}(B_k)(x) \\ &= (\cap f^{-1}(B_k))(x). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $f^{-1}(\cap B_k) = \cap f^{-1}(B_k)$ .

7. For every  $x \in X$ ,

$$f^{-1}(B')(x) = h^{-1}(B'(f(x))) = h^{-1}(B(f(x)))' = (f^{-1}(B))'(x),$$

since  $f^{-1}(B)(x) = h^{-1}(B(f(x)))$ . That is,  $f^{-1}(B') = (f^{-1}(B))'$ .

8. For every  $x_0 \in X$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} A(x_0) &\leq \vee \{A(x) : x \in X, x \in f^{-1}(f(x_0))\} \\ &\leq h^{-1}(h(\vee \{A(x) : x \in X, x \in f^{-1}(f(x_0))\})) \\ &= h^{-1}(\vee \{h(A(x)) : x \in X, x \in f^{-1}(f(x_0))\}) \\ &= h^{-1}(f(A)(f(x_0))) \\ &= f^{-1}(f(A))(x_0). \end{aligned}$$

9. For every  $y \in Y$

$$\begin{aligned} f(f^{-1}(B))(y) &= \sup_{y=f(x)} h(f^{-1}(B)(x)) \\ &= \sup_{y=f(x)} h(h^{-1}(B(f(x)))) \\ &= h(h^{-1}(B(y))) \\ &\leq B(y). \end{aligned}$$



Hence  $f(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq B$ .

**Proposition 4.2.** If an order homomorphism  $h : I^3 \rightarrow I^3$  is the bridge function for the extension of a crisp function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ , then for any  $k \in K$  neutrosophic sets  $A_k$  in  $X$  and  $B$  in  $Y$ :

1.  $f(0_X) = 0_Y$ ;
2.  $f(\cup A_k) = \cup f(A_k)$ ; and
3.  $(f^{-1}(B))' = f^{-1}(B')$ ,

that is, the extension map  $f$  is an order homomorphism.

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