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# A Jensen type inequality for Sugeno integrals with respect to intuitionistic fuzzy measures

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## Abstract

We prove a Jensen inequality for fuzzy integral of Sugeno kind of intuitionistic fuzzy-valued functions with respect to intuitionistic fuzzy-valued fuzzy measures.

**Keywords:** Sugeno integral, intuitionistic fuzzy measure, integral inequality.

## 1 Introduction

The theory of fuzzy measures and fuzzy integrals was introduced by Sugeno [12] and intensively studied. The monographs [9] and [13] are dedicated to this topic. Recently, several classical inequalities were generalized to fuzzy integrals. In [11] a Jensen type inequality for fuzzy integral was provided.

The theory of intuitionistic fuzzy measures was developed in the last years (see [4]-[7]). In this contribution we use the theorem of decomposition of the Sugeno integral with respect to intuitionistic fuzzy-valued fuzzy measures ([4]) and the result in [11] to obtain a Jensen type inequality for intuitionistic fuzzy-valued fuzzy integrals of measurable intuitionistic fuzzy-valued functions with respect to intuitionistic fuzzy-valued fuzzy measures. At the end of the paper we give some illustrative examples.

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## 2 Preliminaries

We recall some basic definitions and previous results which will be used in the sequel.

Throughout this paper,  $X$  is a nonempty set,  $\mathcal{A}$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra of subsets of  $X$ ,  $\overline{\mathbb{R}_+} = [0, +\infty]$  and all considered subsets belong to  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**Definition 1** ([10]) A set function  $\mu : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}_+}$  is called a fuzzy measure if the following properties are satisfied:

- (i)  $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$ ;
- (ii)  $A \subseteq B$  implies  $\mu(A) \leq \mu(B)$ ;
- (iii)  $A_1 \subseteq A_2 \subseteq \dots \subseteq A_n \subseteq \dots$  imply

$$\mu(\cup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_n);$$

- (iv)  $A_1 \supseteq A_2 \supseteq \dots \supseteq A_n \supseteq \dots$  and  $\mu(A_1) < +\infty$  imply

$$\mu(\cap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_n).$$

If  $\mu(X) = 1$  then  $\mu$  is called a normalized fuzzy measure.

When  $\mu$  is a fuzzy measure, the triple  $(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  is called a fuzzy measure space and we denote by  $\mathcal{A}_+^\mu(X)$  the set of all nonnegative  $\mu$ -measurable functions with respect to  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**Definition 2** ([9], [13]) Let  $(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  be a fuzzy measure space and  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ . The Sugeno integral of  $f \in \mathcal{A}_+^\mu(X)$  on  $A$ , with respect to the fuzzy measure  $\mu$ , is defined by

$$(S) \int_A f d\mu = \vee_{\alpha \geq 0} (\alpha \wedge \mu(A \cap F_\alpha)),$$

where  $F_\alpha = \{x \in X : f(x) \geq \alpha\}$ ,  $\alpha \geq 0$ .

The set of intuitionistic fuzzy values

$$\mathcal{L} = \{(x, y) : x, y \in [0, 1], x + y \leq 1\}$$

is very important in intuitionistic fuzzy set theory ([1], [2]). The set  $\mathcal{L}$  is a complete lattice ([8]),

$$\begin{aligned} (x_1, y_1) \leq_{\mathcal{L}} (x_2, y_2) &\text{ if and only if } x_1 \leq x_2 \text{ and } y_2 \leq y_1, \\ (x_1, y_1) <_{\mathcal{L}} (x_2, y_2) &\text{ if and only if } (x_1, y_1) \leq_{\mathcal{L}} (x_2, y_2) \\ &\text{and } x_1 < x_2 \text{ or } y_2 < y_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{\mathcal{L}} W &= (\sup \{x \in [0, 1] \mid \exists y \in [0, 1] : (x, y) \in W\}, \\ &\quad \inf \{y \in [0, 1] \mid \exists x \in [0, 1] : (x, y) \in W\}), \\ \inf_{\mathcal{L}} W &= (\inf \{x \in [0, 1] \mid \exists y \in [0, 1] : (x, y) \in W\}, \\ &\quad \sup \{y \in [0, 1] \mid \exists x \in [0, 1] : (x, y) \in W\}), \end{aligned}$$

for each  $W \subseteq \mathcal{L}$ . If  $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset \mathcal{L}$ ,  $a_n = (x_n, y_n)$  is increasing, that is  $a_n \leq_{\mathcal{L}} a_{n+1}$ , for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , or decreasing, that is  $a_{n+1} \leq_{\mathcal{L}} a_n$ , for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then it is convergent and (see [6], p. 168)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n \right).$$

**Definition 3** (see [6]) A mapping  $v : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$  is called an intuitionistic fuzzy measure if the following properties are satisfied:

- (i)  $v(\emptyset) = (0, 1)$  and  $v(X) = (1, 0)$ ;
- (ii)  $A \subseteq B$  implies  $v(A) \leq_{\mathcal{L}} v(B)$ ;
- (iii)  $A_1 \subseteq A_2 \subseteq \dots \subseteq A_n \subseteq \dots$  imply

$$v(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} v(A_n);$$

- (iv)  $A_1 \supseteq A_2 \supseteq \dots \supseteq A_n \supseteq \dots$  imply

$$v(\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} v(A_n).$$

The triple  $(X, \mathcal{A}, v)$  is called an intuitionistic fuzzy measure space.

**Theorem 1** If  $v : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$ ,  $v = (v_1, v_2)$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy measure then  $v_1, v_2^c : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ ,  $v_2^c(A) = 1 - v_2(A)$ , for every  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ , are normalized fuzzy measures.

**Proof.** See [6], Definition 3.3, p. 174 and Theorem 3.6, p. 177. ■

**Definition 4** ([6], p. 206, see also [4]) Let  $(X, \mathcal{A}, v)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy measure space. A function  $f : X \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$  is called  $v$ -measurable with respect to  $\mathcal{A}$  if

$$\{x \in X : f(x) \leq_{\mathcal{L}} \alpha\} \in \mathcal{A}$$

and

$$\{x \in X : f(x) \geq_{\mathcal{L}} \alpha\} \in \mathcal{A},$$

for every  $\alpha \in \mathcal{L}$ .

We denote by  $\mathcal{A}^v(X)$  the set of all  $v$ -measurable functions with respect to  $\mathcal{A}$ .

As a matter of fact, the measurability of an intuitionistic fuzzy-valued function reduces to the measurability of its components.

**Theorem 2** ([6], p. 206 or [4]) *Let  $f : X \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$ ,  $f(x) = (g(x), h(x))$ . Then  $f \in \mathcal{A}^v(X)$  if and only if  $g \in \mathcal{A}_+^{v_1}(X)$  and  $h \in \mathcal{A}_+^{v_2^c}(X)$ .*

The Sugeno integral of an intuitionistic fuzzy-valued mapping, on a crisp set, with respect to an intuitionistic fuzzy measure is defined as follows.

**Definition 5** ([6], p. 206 or [7]) *Let  $(X, \mathcal{A}, v)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy measure space and  $f \in \mathcal{A}^v(X)$ . The Sugeno integral type of  $f$  on  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  with respect to  $v$ , denoted by  $(S) \int_X^{\mathcal{L}} f dv$ , is defined by*

$$(S) \int_X^{\mathcal{L}} f dv = \sup_{a \in \mathcal{L}} \inf_{\mathcal{L}} (a, v(A \cap F_a)),$$

where  $F_a = \{x \in X : f(x) \geq_{\mathcal{L}} a\}$ , for every  $a \in \mathcal{L}$ .

### 3 Jensen type inequality

The following results help us to reach a Jensen type inequality for Sugeno integrals with respect to intuitionistic fuzzy measures.

**Theorem 3** ([6], p. 215, see also [4]) *Let  $v : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$ ,  $v = (v_1, v_2)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy measure and  $f \in \mathcal{A}^v(X)$ ,  $f(x) = (g(x), h(x))$ . Then*

$$(S) \int_X^{\mathcal{L}} f dv = \left( (S) \int_X g dv_1, 1 - (S) \int_X h^c dv_2^c \right),$$

where  $h^c(x) = 1 - h(x)$ ,  $x \in X$ ,  $v_2^c(A) = 1 - v_2(A)$ ,  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ .

In the paper [11] the following Jensen type inequality for fuzzy integrals was proved.

**Theorem 4** *Let  $(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  be a fuzzy measure space and let  $\Phi : [0, +\infty) \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$  be a strictly increasing function such that  $\Phi(x) \leq x$ , for every  $x \in [0, \mu(X)]$ . Then*

$$\Phi \left( (S) \int_X f d\mu \right) \leq (S) \int_X \Phi(f) d\mu,$$

for all  $f \in \mathcal{A}_+^{\mu}(X)$ .

In the intuitionistic fuzzy case we obtain the following result, the main result of the paper.

**Theorem 5** Let  $(X, \mathcal{A}, v)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy measure space and  $\varphi_i : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ ,  $i \in \{1, 2\}$  be strictly increasing functions such that  $\varphi_i(x) \leq x$ , for every  $x \in [0, 1]$  and  $\varphi_1(x) \leq \varphi_2(y)$ ,  $\forall x, y \in [0, 1]$ ,  $x \leq y$ . Then

$$\Phi \left( (S) \int_X^{\mathcal{L}} f dv \right) \leq_{\mathcal{L}} (S) \int_X^{\mathcal{L}} \Phi(f) dv,$$

for all  $f \in \mathcal{A}^v(X)$ , where  $\Phi : \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$  is defined by

$$\Phi(x, y) = (\varphi_1(x), 1 - \varphi_2(1 - y)).$$

**Proof.** If  $v = (v_1, v_2)$ ,  $f = (g, h)$  then, taking into account Theorem 3, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \Phi \left( (S) \int_X^{\mathcal{L}} f dv \right) \\ &= \Phi \left( (S) \int_X g dv_1, 1 - (S) \int_X h^c dv_2^c \right) \\ &= \left( \varphi_1 \left( (S) \int_X g dv_1 \right), 1 - \varphi_2 \left( (S) \int_X h^c dv_2^c \right) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Because  $\varphi_i$ ,  $i \in \{1, 2\}$  satisfy the conditions in Theorem 4,  $g \in \mathcal{A}_+^{v_1}(X)$  and  $h \in \mathcal{A}_+^{v_2^c}(X)$  (see Theorem 2) we get

$$\varphi_1 \left( (S) \int_X g dv_1 \right) \leq (S) \int_X \varphi_1(g) dv_1$$

and

$$\varphi_2 \left( (S) \int_X h^c dv_2^c \right) \leq (S) \int_X \varphi_2(h^c) dv_2^c$$

that is (taking into account again Theorem 3)

$$\begin{aligned} & \Phi \left( (S) \int_X^{\mathcal{L}} f dv \right) \\ &\leq_{\mathcal{L}} \left( (S) \int_X \varphi_1(g) dv_1, 1 - (S) \int_X \varphi_2(h^c) dv_2^c \right) \\ &= (S) \int_X^{\mathcal{L}} (\varphi_1(g), 1 - \varphi_2(h^c)) dv \\ &= (S) \int_X^{\mathcal{L}} \Phi(f) dv. \end{aligned}$$

■

**Remark 1** The condition  $\varphi_1(x) \leq \varphi_2(y), \forall x, y \in [0, 1]$  such that  $x \leq y$  assures that the mapping  $\Phi$  is well-defined. Indeed, if  $(x, y) \in \mathcal{L}$  then

$$\varphi_1(x) + 1 - \varphi_2(1 - y) \leq \varphi_2(1 - y) + 1 - \varphi_2(1 - y) = 1.$$

**Example 1** Let  $(X, \mathcal{A}, v)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy measure space and  $f \in \mathcal{A}^v(X)$ . Taking

$$\varphi_1(x) = \alpha x$$

and

$$\varphi_2(x) = \beta x,$$

with  $0 < \alpha \leq \beta \leq 1$ , we get

$$\Phi(x, y) = (\alpha x, 1 - \beta + \beta y), \forall (x, y) \in \mathcal{L}$$

and the conditions in Theorem 5 are satisfied. If we consider the mapping (which generates an universal operator on intuitionistic fuzzy sets, see [2], p. 103)

$$X_{a,b,c,d,e,f} : \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$$

defined by

$$X_{a,b,c,d,e,f}(x, y) = (ax + b(1 - x - cy), dy + e(1 - fx - y)),$$

where  $a, b, c, d, e, f \in [0, 1]$  and

$$\begin{aligned} a + e - ef &\leq 1, \\ b + d - bc &\leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

then

$$\Phi = X_{\alpha,0,0,1,1-\beta,0},$$

therefore

$$X_{\alpha,0,0,1,1-\beta,0} \left( (S) \int_X^{\mathcal{L}} f dv \right) \leq_{\mathcal{L}} (S) \int_X^{\mathcal{L}} X_{\alpha,0,0,1,1-\beta,0}(f) dv,$$

for all  $f \in \mathcal{A}^v(X)$ .

In the particular case  $\alpha = \beta = \frac{1}{2}$  we get

$$\Phi(x, y) = \left( \frac{1}{2}x, \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}y \right), \forall (x, y) \in \mathcal{L}$$

and  $\Phi = \boxplus$ , where  $\boxplus$  generates an operator on intuitionistic fuzzy sets (see [2], p. 121). Then

$$\boxplus \left( (S) \int_X^{\mathcal{L}} f dv \right) \leq_{\mathcal{L}} (S) \int_X^{\mathcal{L}} \boxplus(f) dv,$$

for all  $f \in \mathcal{A}^v(X)$ .

If  $\varphi_1(x) = \varphi_2(x) = x, \forall x, y \in [0, 1]$ , that is  $\Phi(x, y) = (x, y), \forall (x, y) \in \mathcal{L}$  then inequality in Theorem 5 becomes equality. In the following we prove that the strict inequality is also possible.

**Example 2** Let  $X = [0, 1], f = (g, h), g(x) = x^2$  and  $h(x) = 1 - x$ . Let the intuitionistic fuzzy measure  $v = (v_1, v_2)$  be defined as  $v_1(A) = m^2(A), v_2(A) = 1 - m(A), A \in \mathcal{A}$ , where  $m$  is the Lebesgue measure,  $\varphi_1(x) = x^2$  and  $\varphi_2(x) = x$ , that is  $\Phi(x, y) = (x^2, y)$ . Then

$$(S) \int_{[0,1]} g dv_1 = \bigvee_{\alpha \in [0,1]} (\alpha \wedge (1 - \sqrt{\alpha})^2) = \frac{1}{4},$$

and

$$(S) \int_{[0,1]} h^c dv_2^c = \bigvee_{\alpha \in [0,1]} (\alpha \wedge (1 - \alpha)) = \frac{1}{2}$$

that is

$$\Phi \left( (S) \int_X^{\mathcal{L}} f dv \right) = \Phi \left( \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2} \right) = \left( \frac{1}{16}, \frac{1}{2} \right).$$

Because

$$\Phi(f) = (G, H),$$

where  $G(x) = x^4$  and  $H(x) = 1 - x$ , we obtain (Theorem 3)

$$\begin{aligned} & (S) \int_X^{\mathcal{L}} \Phi(f) dv \\ &= \left( (S) \int_{[0,1]} x^4 dv_1, 1 - \int_{[0,1]} x dv_2^c \right) \\ &= \left( \bigvee_{\alpha \in [0,1]} \left( \alpha \wedge (1 - \sqrt[4]{\alpha})^2 \right), 1 - \bigvee_{\alpha \in [0,1]} (\alpha \wedge (1 - \alpha)) \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{7 - 3\sqrt{5}}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\Phi \left( (S) \int_X^{\mathcal{L}} f dv \right) <_{\mathcal{L}} (S) \int_X^{\mathcal{L}} \Phi(f) dv.$$

## 4 Conclusions

The present paper continues the study of integral inequalities in the intuitionistic fuzzy case, which began with Chebyshev inequality [3]. We have introduced a version of Jensen inequality for the Sugeno integral of intuitionistic fuzzy-valued functions with respect to intuitionistic fuzzy-valued fuzzy measures. The proof of the main result is based on a result of componentwise decomposition of intuitionistic fuzzy-valued fuzzy integrals. Some examples are presented at the end of the paper.

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