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# Intuitionistic fuzzy dimension of an intuitionistic fuzzy vector space

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**Abstract:** In the present paper the notion of intuitionistic fuzzy dimension of an intuitionistic fuzzy vector space has been developed with the help of intuitionistic fuzzy basis.

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## 1 Introduction

The notion of intuitionistic fuzzy set (IFS) was introduced by Atanassov [1, 2, 3, 4] as a generalization of Zadeh's fuzzy set [22]. There are situations where IFS theory is more appropriate to deal with [7]. IFS theory have successfully been applied in knowledge engineering, medical diagnosis, decision making, career determination, etc., [11, 21, 12]. Several researchers have extended various mathematical aspects such as groups, rings, topological spaces, metric spaces, topological groups, topological vector spaces etc. in IFS [6, 10, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19]. The notion of fuzzy vector subspaces has been introduced by Katsaras [14] and a notion of fuzzy bases and fuzzy dimension was studied by Shi *et al.* [20]. We have introduced a notion of intuitionistic fuzzy vector space and intuitionistic fuzzy basis in [9]. As a continuation of our paper [9], here we introduced the notion of intuitionistic fuzzy dimension of an intuitionistic fuzzy vector space with the help of intuitionistic fuzzy basis and studied some of its basic results.

## 2 Preliminaries

**Definition 2.1.** [1] Let  $X$  be a non-empty set. An intuitionistic fuzzy set (IFS for short) of  $X$  is defined as an object having the form  $A = \{\langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle \mid x \in X\}$ , where  $\mu_A : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  and  $\nu_A : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  denote the degree of membership (namely  $\mu_A(x)$ ) and the degree of non-membership (namely  $\nu_A(x)$ ) of each element  $x \in X$  to the set  $A$ , respectively, and  $0 \leq \mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) \leq 1$  for each  $x \in X$ . For the sake of simplicity we shall use the symbol  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  for the intuitionistic fuzzy set  $A = \{\langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle \mid x \in X\}$ .

In this paper, we use the symbols  $a \wedge b = \min\{a, b\}$  and  $a \vee b = \max\{a, b\}$ .

**Definition 2.2.** [1] Let  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  and  $B = (\mu_B, \nu_B)$  be intuitionistic fuzzy sets of a set  $X$ . Then

- (1)  $A \subseteq B$  iff  $\mu_A(x) \leq \mu_B(x)$  and  $\nu_A(x) \geq \nu_B(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ .
- (2)  $A = B$  iff  $A \subseteq B$  and  $B \subseteq A$ .
- (3)  $A^c = \{\langle x, \nu_A(x), \mu_A(x) \rangle \mid x \in X\}$
- (4)  $A \cap B = \{\langle x, \mu_A(x) \wedge \mu_B(x), \nu_A(x) \vee \nu_B(x) \rangle \mid x \in X\}$ .
- (5)  $A \cup B = \{\langle x, \mu_A(x) \vee \mu_B(x), \nu_A(x) \wedge \nu_B(x) \rangle \mid x \in X\}$ .
- (6)  $\square A = \{\langle x, \mu_A(x), 1 - \mu_A(x) \rangle \mid x \in X\}$ ,  $\diamond A = \{\langle x, 1 - \nu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle \mid x \in X\}$ .

**Definition 2.3.** [4] Let  $A$  be an IFS in a set  $X$ . Then for  $\lambda, \xi \in [0, 1]$  with  $\lambda + \xi \leq 1$ , the set  $A^{[\lambda, \xi]} = \{x \in X : \mu_A(x) \geq \lambda \text{ and } \nu_A(x) \leq \xi\}$  is called  $(\lambda, \xi)$ -level subset of  $A$ .

**Proposition 2.4.** [4] Let  $A$  be an IFS in a set  $X$  and  $(\lambda_1, \xi_1), (\lambda_2, \xi_2) \in \text{Im}(A)$ . If  $\lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2$  and  $\xi_1 \geq \xi_2$ , then  $A^{[\lambda_1, \xi_1]} \supseteq A^{[\lambda_2, \xi_2]}$ .

**Definition 2.5.** [15, 5] Let  $X$  be a vector space over the field  $K$ , the field of real and complex numbers,  $\alpha \in K$ ,  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  and  $B = (\mu_B, \nu_B)$  be two intuitionistic fuzzy sets of  $X$ . Then

- (1) the sum of  $A$  and  $B$  is defined to be the intuitionistic fuzzy set  $A + B = (\mu_{A+B}, \nu_{A+B})$  of  $X$  given by

$$\mu_{A+B}(x) = \begin{cases} \sup_{x=a+b} \{\mu_A(a) \wedge \mu_B(b)\} & \text{if } x = a + b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

$$\nu_{A+B}(x) = \begin{cases} \inf_{x=a+b} \{\nu_A(a) \vee \nu_B(b)\} & \text{if } x = a + b \\ 1 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (2)  $\alpha A$  is defined to be the IFS  $\alpha A = (\mu_{\alpha A}, \nu_{\alpha A})$  of  $X$ , where

$$\mu_{\alpha A}(x) = \begin{cases} \mu_A(\alpha^{-1}x) & \text{if } \alpha \neq 0 \\ \sup_{y \in X} \mu_A(y) & \text{if } \alpha = 0, x = \theta \\ 0 & \text{if } \alpha = 0, x \neq \theta, \end{cases}$$

$$v_{\alpha A}(x) = \begin{cases} v_A(\alpha^{-1}x) & \text{if } \alpha \neq 0 \\ \inf_{y \in X} v_A(y) & \text{if } \alpha = 0, x = \theta \\ 1 & \text{if } \alpha = 0, x \neq \theta. \end{cases}$$

**Proposition 2.6.** [9] Let  $A, A_1, \dots, A_n$  be intuitionistic fuzzy sets in a vector space  $X$  and  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  be scalars. Then the following assertions are equivalent:

- (1)  $\lambda_1 A_1 + \lambda_2 A_2 + \dots + \lambda_n A_n \subseteq A$ .
- (2) For all  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  in  $X$ , we have  $\mu_A(\lambda_1 x_1 + \lambda_2 x_2 + \dots + \lambda_n x_n) \geq \min\{\mu_{A_1}(x_1), \mu_{A_2}(x_2), \dots, \mu_{A_n}(x_n)\}$  and  $v_A(\lambda_1 x_1 + \lambda_2 x_2 + \dots + \lambda_n x_n) \leq \max\{v_{A_1}(x_1), v_{A_2}(x_2), \dots, v_{A_n}(x_n)\}$ .

**Definition 2.7.** [9] An IFS  $V = (\mu_V, v_V)$  of a vector space  $X$  over the field  $K$  is said to be intuitionistic fuzzy vector space over  $X$  if

- (i)  $V + V \subseteq V$
- (ii)  $\alpha V \subseteq V$ , for every scalar  $\alpha$ .

We denote the set of all intuitionistic fuzzy vector spaces over a vector space  $X$  by  $IFVS(X)$ .

**Remark 2.8.** [9] Let  $X$  be a vector space.

- (1) If  $\mu_V$  is a fuzzy subspace of  $X$ , then  $V = (\mu_V, \mu_V^c) \in IFVS(X)$ .
- (2) If  $V \in IFVS(X)$ , then  $\mu_V$  and  $v_V^c$  are fuzzy vector subspace of  $X$ .
- (3) If  $V \in IFVS(X)$ , then  $\square V, \diamond V \in IFVS(X)$ .

**Lemma 2.9.** [9] Let  $V$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy set in a vector space  $X$ . Then, the following are equivalent:

- (1)  $V$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy vector space over  $X$ .
- (2) For all scalars  $\alpha, \beta$ , we have  $\alpha V + \beta V \subseteq V$ .
- (3) For all scalars  $\alpha, \beta$  and for all  $x, y \in X$ , we have  $\mu_V(\alpha x + \beta y) \geq \mu_V(x) \wedge \mu_V(y)$  and  $v_V(\alpha x + \beta y) \leq v_V(x) \vee v_V(y)$ .

**Remark 2.10.** [9] Our definition of intuitionistic fuzzy vector space is equivalent to the definition of intuitionistic fuzzy subspace of [19] and [8].

**Proposition 2.11.** [8] If  $V, W \in IFVS(X)$ , then  $V + W \in IFVS(X)$ .

**Proposition 2.12.** [9] If  $V \in IFVS(X)$   $\alpha \in K$ , then  $\alpha V \in IFVS(X)$ .

**Proposition 2.13.** [8] If  $\{V_i\}_{i \in I} \in IFVS(X)$ , then  $\bigcap_{i \in I} V_i \in IFVS(X)$ .

**Proposition 2.14.** [9] Let  $V \in IFVS(X)$ . Then  $\mu_V(\theta) \geq \mu_V(x)$  and  $\nu_V(\theta) \leq \nu_V(x)$ ,  $\forall x \in X$ .

**Proposition 2.15.** [9] Let  $V \in IFVS(X)$ . Then for each  $(\lambda, \xi) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$  with  $\lambda + \xi \leq 1$ ,  $\lambda \leq \mu_V(\theta)$  and  $\xi \geq \nu_V(\theta)$ ,  $V^{[\lambda, \xi]}$  is a subspace of the vector space  $X$ ,

**Definition 2.16.** [9] For any  $(a, b), (c, d) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$  with  $a + b \leq 1$ ,  $c + d \leq 1$ , we say that:

- (1)  $(a, b) \geq (c, d)$  if  $a \geq b$  and  $c \leq d$ .
- (2)  $(a, b) \leq (c, d)$  if  $a \leq b$  and  $c \geq d$ .
- (3)  $(a, b) > (c, d)$  if  $a > b$  and  $c \leq d$  or if  $a \geq b$  and  $c < d$ .
- (4)  $(a, b) < (c, d)$  if  $a < b$  and  $c \geq d$  or if  $a \leq b$  and  $c > d$ .
- (5)  $(a, b) = (c, d)$  if  $a = b$  and  $c = d$ .

**Proposition 2.17.** [9] Let  $V \in IFVS(X)$  with  $\dim X = m$ . Then  $Im(V)$  contains at most  $m + 1$  points of  $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ .

**Definition 2.18.** [9] Let  $V = (\mu_V, \nu_V) \in IFVS(X)$ . Then for any  $\lambda \in \mu_V(X)$ ,  $\xi \in \nu_V(X)$  we define

$$\mu_V^{[\lambda]} = \{x \in X : \mu_V(x) \geq \lambda\} \text{ and } \nu_V^{[\xi]} = \{x \in X : \nu_V(x) \leq \xi\}, [\lambda 1_{\mu_V^{[\lambda]}}](x) = \begin{cases} \lambda, & \text{if } x \in \mu_V^{[\lambda]} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases},$$

$$[\xi 1_{\nu_V^{[\xi]}}](x) = \begin{cases} \xi, & \text{if } x \in \nu_V^{[\xi]} \\ 1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}.$$

**Theorem 2.19.** [9] (Representation Theorem) Let  $V \in IFVS(X)$  with  $\dim X = m$  and  $Im(V) = \{(\lambda_0, \xi_0), (\lambda_1, \xi_1), \dots, (\lambda_k, \xi_k)\}$ ,  $k \leq m$  such that  $(1, 0) \geq (\lambda_0, \xi_0) > (\lambda_1, \xi_1) > \dots > (\lambda_k, \xi_k) \geq (0, 1)$ . Then there exists nested collection of subspaces of  $X$  as  $\{\theta\} \subseteq V^{[\lambda_0, \xi_0]} \subsetneq V^{[\lambda_1, \xi_1]} \subsetneq \dots \subsetneq V^{[\lambda_k, \xi_k]} = X$  such that  $\mu_V = \lambda_0 1_{\mu_V^{[\lambda_0]}} \vee \lambda_1 1_{\mu_V^{[\lambda_1]}} \vee \dots \vee \lambda_k 1_{\mu_V^{[\lambda_k]}}$  and  $\nu_V = \xi_0 1_{\nu_V^{[\xi_0]}} \wedge \xi_1 1_{\nu_V^{[\xi_1]}} \wedge \dots \wedge \xi_k 1_{\nu_V^{[\xi_k]}}$ . Also,

- (1) If  $(\zeta, \rho), (\eta, \sigma) \in (\lambda_{i+1}, \lambda_i] \times [\xi_i, \xi_{i+1})$  with  $\zeta + \rho \leq 1, \eta + \sigma \leq 1$ , then  $V^{[\zeta, \rho]} = V^{[\eta, \sigma]} = V^{[\lambda_i, \xi_i]}$ .
- (2) If  $(\zeta, \rho) \in (\lambda_{i+1}, \lambda_i] \times [\xi_i, \xi_{i+1}), (\eta, \sigma) \in (\lambda_i, \lambda_{i-1}] \times [\xi_{i-1}, \xi_i)$  with  $\zeta + \rho \leq 1, \eta + \sigma \leq 1$ , then  $V^{[\zeta, \rho]} \supsetneq V^{[\eta, \sigma]}$ .

**Definition 2.20.** [9] Let  $V \in IFVS(X)$  with  $\dim X = m$ . Consider Theorem 2.19. Let  $B_{V_i}$  be the basis of  $V^{[\lambda_i, \xi_i]}$ ,  $i = 0, 1, \dots, k$  such that

$$B_{V_0} \subsetneq B_{V_1} \subsetneq \dots \subsetneq B_{V_k}. \quad (*)$$

If  $V^{(\lambda_0, \xi_0)} = \{\theta\}$ , we start with  $V^{(\lambda_1, \xi_1)}$ .

Define a map  $\mathbb{B}$  from  $X$  to  $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$  by

$$\mu_{\mathbb{B}}(x) = \begin{cases} \vee \{\lambda_i : x \in B_{V_i}\} \\ 0, \text{ otherwise} \end{cases} \text{ and } \nu_{\mathbb{B}}(x) = \begin{cases} \wedge \{\xi_i : x \in B_{V_i}\} \\ 1, \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}.$$

Let  $\mu_{\mathbb{B}}(x) = \lambda_j$ . Then  $x \in B_{V_j}$  and  $x \notin B_{V_{j-1}}$  i.e.  $x \in V^{[\lambda_j, \xi_j]}$  and  $x \notin V^{[\lambda_{j-1}, \xi_{j-1}]}$ . Thus  $\mu_V(x) \geq \lambda_j$  and  $\nu_V(x) \leq \xi_j$ . If  $\mu_V(x) > \lambda_j$ , then  $\mu_V(x) = \lambda_l$  for some  $l < j$ . Then  $x \in V^{[\lambda_l, \xi_l]}$  and  $\mu_{(\mathbb{B})}(x) = \lambda_l$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore  $\mu_V(x) = \lambda_j$ . Then  $\nu_V(x) = \xi_j$  i.e.  $\nu_{\mathbb{B}}(x) = \xi_j$ . Therefore  $\mathbb{B}$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy set and it is called intuitionistic fuzzy basis of  $V$  corresponding to  $(*)$ .

**Proposition 2.21.** [9] Let  $\mathbb{B}$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy basis of  $V$  corresponding to  $(*)$  of Definition 2.20. Then

- (1) If  $(\zeta, \rho), (\eta, \sigma) \in (\lambda_{i+1}, \lambda_i] \times [\xi_i, \xi_{i+1})$  with  $\zeta + \rho \leq 1, \eta + \sigma \leq 1$ , then  $\mathbb{B}^{[\zeta, \rho]} = \mathbb{B}^{[\eta, \sigma]} = B_{V_i}$ .
- (2) If  $(\zeta, \rho) \in (\lambda_{i+1}, \lambda_i] \times [\xi_i, \xi_{i+1}), (\eta, \sigma) \in (\lambda_i, \lambda_{i-1}] \times [\xi_{i-1}, \xi_i)$  with  $\zeta + \rho \leq 1, \eta + \sigma \leq 1$ , then  $\mathbb{B}^{[\zeta, \rho]} \supsetneq \mathbb{B}^{[\eta, \sigma]}$ .
- (3)  $\mathbb{B}^{[\lambda, \xi]}$  is a basis of  $V^{[\lambda, \xi]}$  for  $\lambda \in (0, 1], \xi \in [0, 1)$  with  $\lambda + \xi \leq 1$ .

**Proposition 2.22.** Let  $\mathbb{B}$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy basis of  $V$  corresponding to  $(*)$  of Definition 2.20. Then  $\mu_{\mathbb{B}}^{[\lambda_i]} = B_{V_i} = \nu_{\mathbb{B}}^{[\xi_i]}$ , for  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, k$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x \in \mu_{\mathbb{B}}^{[\lambda_i]} \Rightarrow \mu_{\mathbb{B}}(x) \geq \lambda_i$ . Let  $\mu_{\mathbb{B}}(x) = \lambda_j \Rightarrow x \in B_{V_j} \subset B_{V_i}$ .

Thus  $\mu_{\mathbb{B}}^{[\lambda_i]} \subseteq B_{V_i}$ . Conversely, let  $x \in B_{V_i} \Rightarrow \mu_V(x) \geq \lambda_i$ .

Let  $\mu_V(x) = \lambda_j$ . If  $\lambda_j > \lambda_i$ , then  $\mu_{\mathbb{B}}(x) = \lambda_j$ .

If  $\lambda_j = \lambda_i$ , then  $\mu_{\mathbb{B}}(x) \geq \lambda_i$ . Therefore, in any case  $x \in \mu_{\mathbb{B}}^{[\lambda_i]}$ .

Thus  $B_{V_i} \subseteq \mu_{\mathbb{B}}^{[\lambda_i]}$ . Hence  $\mu_{\mathbb{B}}^{[\lambda_i]} = B_{V_i}$ .

Similarly, it can be proved that  $B_{V_i} = \nu_{\mathbb{B}}^{[\xi_i]}$ . □

**Proposition 2.23.** Let  $V \in IFVS(X)$  with  $\dim X = m$  and  $Im(V) = \{(\lambda_0, \xi_0), (\lambda_1, \xi_1), \dots, (\lambda_k, \xi_k)\}, k \leq m$  such that  $(1, 0) \geq (\lambda_0, \xi_0) > (\lambda_1, \xi_1) > \dots > (\lambda_k, \xi_k) \geq (0, 1)$ . Then for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, k$ ,  $V^{[\lambda_i, \xi_i]} = \mu_V^{[\lambda_i]} = \nu_V^{[\xi_i]}$ .

*Proof.* Obviously,  $V^{[\lambda_i, \xi_i]} \subseteq \mu_V^{[\lambda_i]}$ .

Let  $x \in \mu_V^{[\lambda_i]}$ .

$\Rightarrow \mu_V(x) \geq \lambda_i$ .

Let  $\mu_V(x) = \lambda_j$ . Then  $\nu_V(x) = \xi_j$ .

$\Rightarrow x \in V^{[\lambda_j, \xi_j]}$

$\Rightarrow x \in V^{[\lambda_i, \xi_i]}$  [as either  $(\lambda_j, \xi_j) = (\lambda_i, \xi_i)$  or  $(\lambda_j, \xi_j) > (\lambda_i, \xi_i)$ ].

Thus  $\mu_{\mathbb{B}}^{[\lambda_i]} \subseteq V^{[\lambda_i, \xi_i]}$ . Therefore  $V^{[\lambda_i, \xi_i]} = \mu_V^{[\lambda_i]}$ .

Similarly we have  $V^{[\lambda_i, \xi_i]} = \nu_V^{[\xi_i]}$ . □

**Proposition 2.24.** Let  $\mathbb{B}$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy basis of  $V$  corresponding to  $(*)$  of Definition 2.20. Then  $|\mu_{\mathbb{B}}^{[\lambda_i]}| = \dim(\mu_V^{[\lambda_i]})$  and  $|\nu_{\mathbb{B}}^{[\xi_i]}| = \dim(\nu_V^{[\xi_i]})$ , for  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, k$ .

*Proof.*  $|\mu_{\mathbb{B}}^{[\lambda_i]}| = |B_{V_i}| = \dim(V^{[\lambda_i, \xi_i]}) = \dim(\mu_V^{[\lambda_i]})$  [By Proposition 2.22 and 2.23].

The rest part is similar. □

### 3 Intuitionistic fuzzy dimension

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $A$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy set over  $X$ . Define a map  $|A| : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$  such that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\mu_{|A|}(n) = \vee\{a : (a, b) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \setminus \{(0, 1)\} \text{ with } a + b \leq 1 \text{ and } |A^{[a,b]}| \geq n\}$  and  $\nu_{|A|}(n) = \wedge\{b : (a, b) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \setminus \{(0, 1)\} \text{ with } a + b \leq 1 \text{ and } |A^{[a,b]}| \geq n\}$ . Then  $|A|$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy set over  $\mathbb{N}$ , which is called the cardinality of  $A$ .

**Definition 3.2.** For two IFS  $A, B$  over  $X$ , the addition  $|A| + |B|$  of  $|A|$  and  $|B|$  is defined as follows: for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\mu_{(|A|+|B|)}(n) = \vee_{k+l=n}(\mu_{|A|}(k) \wedge \mu_{|B|}(l))$  and  $\nu_{(|A|+|B|)}(n) = \wedge_{k+l=n}(\nu_{|A|}(k) \vee \nu_{|B|}(l))$ .

**Proposition 3.3.** For two IFS  $|A|, |B|$  over  $\mathbb{N}$  and for any  $(a, b) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$  with  $a + b \leq 1$ ,  $\mu_{(|A|+|B|)}^{[a]} = \mu_{|A|}^{[a]} + \mu_{|B|}^{[a]}$  and  $\nu_{(|A|+|B|)}^{[b]} = \nu_{|A|}^{[b]} + \nu_{|B|}^{[b]}$ .

*Proof.* First we prove that  $\mu_{(|A|+|B|)}^{[a]} \subseteq \mu_{|A|}^{[a]} + \mu_{|B|}^{[a]}$ .

Let  $n \in \mu_{(|A|+|B|)}^{[a]}$ . Then  $\mu_{(|A|+|B|)}(n) = \vee_{k+l=n}(\mu_{|A|}(k) \wedge \mu_{|B|}(l)) \geq a$ .

Hence there exist  $k, l$  such that  $n = k + l$  and  $\mu_{|A|}(k) \wedge \mu_{|B|}(l) \geq a$ . Then  $k \in \mu_{|A|}^{[a]}$  and  $l \in \mu_{|B|}^{[a]}$ , i.e.,  $n = k + l \in \mu_{|A|}^{[a]} + \mu_{|B|}^{[a]}$ . Similarly, it can be proved that  $\nu_{(|A|+|B|)}^{[b]} \subseteq \nu_{|A|}^{[b]} + \nu_{|B|}^{[b]}$ .

Conversely suppose that  $n \in \mu_{|A|}^{[a]} + \mu_{|B|}^{[a]}$ .

Then there exist  $k, l$  such that  $n = k + l$  with  $k \in \mu_{|A|}^{[a]}$ ,  $l \in \mu_{|B|}^{[a]}$ . Then  $(\mu_{|A|})(k) \geq a$ ,  $(\mu_{|B|})(l) \geq a$ .

Therefore  $\mu_{(|A|+|B|)}(n) = \vee_{k+l=n}(\mu_{|A|}(k) \wedge \mu_{|B|}(l)) \geq a$ . Thus  $n \in \mu_{(|A|+|B|)}^{[a]}$ .

Hence  $\mu_{|A|}^{[a]} + \mu_{|B|}^{[a]} \subseteq \mu_{(|A|+|B|)}^{[a]}$ .

Similarly, we have  $\nu_{|A|}^{[b]} + \nu_{|B|}^{[b]} \subseteq \nu_{(|A|+|B|)}^{[b]}$ . Hence proved.  $\square$

**Definition 3.4.** Let  $V \in IFVS(X)$  with an intuitionistic fuzzy basis  $\mathbb{B}$ . Define  $\dim(V) = |\mathbb{B}|$ . Then  $\dim(V)$  is called intuitionistic fuzzy dimension of  $V$ .

**Proposition 3.5.** Let  $\mathbb{B}$  and  $\mathbb{B}'$  be two intuitionistic fuzzy bases of an intuitionistic fuzzy vector space  $V \in IFVS(X)$ . Then  $|\mathbb{B}| = |\mathbb{B}'|$ .

*Proof.* By Proposition 2.21,  $\mathbb{B}^{[a,b]}$  and  $\mathbb{B}'^{[a,b]}$  are bases of  $V^{[a,b]}$  for  $a \in (0, 1], b \in [0, 1]$  with  $a + b \leq 1$ . Then  $|\mathbb{B}^{[a,b]}| = |\mathbb{B}'^{[a,b]}|$ .

Hence for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{|\mathbb{B}|}(n) &= \vee\{a : (a, b) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \setminus \{(0, 1)\} \text{ with } a + b \leq 1 \text{ and } |\mathbb{B}^{[a,b]}| \geq n\} \\ &= \vee\{a : (a, b) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \setminus \{(0, 1)\} \text{ with } a + b \leq 1 \text{ and } |\mathbb{B}'^{[a,b]}| \geq n\} \\ &= \mu_{|\mathbb{B}'|}(n). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\nu_{|\mathbb{B}|}(n) = \nu_{|\mathbb{B}'|}(n)$ . Hence proved.  $\square$

**Remark 3.6.** Intuitionistic fuzzy dimension of an intuitionistic fuzzy vector space is independent of intuitionistic fuzzy basis.

**Proposition 3.7.** Let  $X$  be a vector space with  $\dim X = m$  and  $V \in IFVS(X)$ . Then for any  $(a, b) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \setminus \{(0, 1)\}$  with  $a + b \leq 1$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \in \mu_{\dim(V)}^{[a]} \Leftrightarrow n \leq \dim(\mu_V^{[a]})$  and  $n \in \nu_{\dim(V)}^{[b]} \Leftrightarrow n \leq \dim(\nu_V^{[b]})$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $Im(V) = \{(\lambda_0, \xi_0), (\lambda_1, \xi_1), \dots, (\lambda_k, \xi_k)\}, k \leq m$  such that  $(1, 0) \geq (\lambda_0, \xi_0) > (\lambda_1, \xi_1) > \dots > (\lambda_k, \xi_k) \geq (0, 1)$ . Then there exists a nested collection of subspaces of  $X$  as  $\{\theta\} \subseteq V^{[\lambda_0, \xi_0]} \subsetneq V^{[\lambda_1, \xi_1]} \subsetneq \dots \subsetneq V^{[\lambda_k, \xi_k]} = X$ .

Let  $B_{V_i}$  be the basis of  $V^{[\lambda_i, \xi_i]}, i = 0, 1, \dots, k$  such that  $B_{V_0} \subsetneq B_{V_1} \subsetneq \dots \subsetneq B_{V_k} \dots (*)$ .

Let  $\mathbb{B}$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy basis corresponding to  $(*)$  defined as in Definition 2.20. Let  $n \in \mu_{dim(V)}^{[a]} \Rightarrow \mu_{dim(V)}(n) \geq a \Rightarrow \vee \{c : (c, d) \in (0, 1] \times [0, 1] \text{ with } c + d \leq 1 \text{ and } |\mathbb{B}^{[c, d]}| \geq n\} \geq a$ .

Then there exists  $(c, d) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \setminus \{(0, 1)\}$  with  $c + d \leq 1$  such that  $c \geq a$  and  $|\mathbb{B}^{[c, d]}| \geq n$ . Now  $dim(\mu_V^{[a]}) = |\mu_{\mathbb{B}}^{[a]}| \geq |\mu_{\mathbb{B}}^{[c]}| \geq |\mathbb{B}^{[c, d]}| \geq n$ .

Conversely suppose that  $n \leq dim(\mu_V^{[a]}) = |\mu_{\mathbb{B}}^{[a]}|$ . Now  $a \in (\lambda_{i+1}, \lambda_i]$ , for some  $i$ . Hence  $|\mu_{\mathbb{B}}^{[a]}| = |\mu_{\mathbb{B}}^{[\lambda_i]}| = |B_{V_i}| = |\mathbb{B}^{[\lambda_i, \xi_i]}|$ . Then  $\mu_{dim(V)}(n) = \vee \{c : (c, d) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \setminus \{(0, 1)\} \text{ with } c + d \leq 1 \text{ and } |\mathbb{B}^{[c, d]}| \geq n\} \geq \lambda_i \geq a \Rightarrow n \in \mu_{dim(V)}^{[a]}$ . Hence  $n \in \mu_{dim(V)}^{[a]} \Leftrightarrow n \leq dim(\mu_V^{[a]})$ .

Similarly it can be proved that  $n \in \nu_{dim(V)}^{[b]} \Leftrightarrow n \leq dim(\nu_V^{[b]})$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.8.** *Let  $X$  be a vector space with  $dimX = m$  and  $V_1, V_2 \in IFVS(X)$ . Then we have the following results:*

(1) For all  $(a, b) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$  with  $a + b \leq 1$ ,  $\mu_{V_1 \cap V_2}^{[a]} = \mu_{V_1}^{[a]} \cap \mu_{V_2}^{[a]}$  and  $\nu_{V_1 \cap V_2}^{[b]} = \nu_{V_1}^{[b]} \cap \nu_{V_2}^{[b]}$ .

(2) For all  $(a, b) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$  with  $a + b \leq 1$ ,  $\mu_{(V_1+V_2)}^{[a]} = \mu_{V_1}^{[a]} + \mu_{V_2}^{[a]}$  and  $\nu_{(V_1+V_2)}^{[b]} = \nu_{V_1}^{[b]} + \nu_{V_2}^{[b]}$ .

*Proof.* We only give the proof of (2). For any  $(a, b) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$  with  $a + b \leq 1$ , we have

$$x \in \mu_{(V_1+V_2)}^{[a]} \Leftrightarrow \sup_{x=x_1+x_2} \{\mu_{V_1}(x_1) \wedge \mu_{V_2}(x_2)\} \geq a$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{there exist } x_1, x_2 \text{ such that } x_1 + x_2 = x \text{ and } \mu_{V_1}(x_1) \wedge \mu_{V_2}(x_2) \geq a$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{there exist } x_1, x_2 \text{ such that } x_1 + x_2 = x \text{ and } x_1 \in \mu_{V_1}^{[a]} \text{ and } x_2 \in \mu_{V_2}^{[a]}.$$

Similarly it can be proved that  $\nu_{(V_1+V_2)}^{[b]} = \nu_{V_1}^{[b]} + \nu_{V_2}^{[b]}$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.9.** *Let  $X$  be a vector space with  $dimX = m$  and  $V_1, V_2 \in IFVS(X)$ . Then  $dim(V_1 + V_2) + dim(V_1 \cap V_2) = dim(V_1) + dim(V_2)$ .*

*Proof.* For any  $(a, b) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$  with  $a + b \leq 1$ , let  $n \in \mu_{(dim(V_1+V_2)+dim(V_1 \cap V_2))}^{[a]}$ . Then there exist  $k, l$  such that  $n = k + l$  and  $k \in \mu_{dim(V_1+V_2)}^{[a]}$  and  $l \in \mu_{dim(V_1 \cap V_2)}^{[a]}$ . Then by Proposition 3.7,  $k \leq dim(\mu_{(V_1+V_2)}^{[a]}) = dim(\mu_{V_1}^{[a]} + \mu_{V_2}^{[a]})$  and  $l \leq dim(\mu_{(V_1 \cap V_2)}^{[a]}) = dim(\mu_{V_1}^{[a]} \cap \mu_{V_2}^{[a]})$ . Thus  $n \leq dim(\mu_{V_1}^{[a]} + \mu_{V_2}^{[a]}) + dim(\mu_{V_1}^{[a]} \cap \mu_{V_2}^{[a]}) = dim(\mu_{V_1}^{[a]}) + dim(\mu_{V_2}^{[a]})$ .

Then there exist  $k'$  and  $l'$  such that  $n = k' + l'$  and  $k' \leq dim(\mu_{V_1}^{[a]})$  and  $l' \leq dim(\mu_{V_2}^{[a]})$ . Now by Proposition 3.7,  $k' \in \mu_{dim(V_1)}^{[a]}$  and  $l' \in \mu_{dim(V_2)}^{[a]}$ . Therefore  $n = k' + l' \in \mu_{dim(V_1)}^{[a]} + \mu_{dim(V_2)}^{[a]} = \mu_{dim(V_1)+dim(V_2)}^{[a]}$ . Hence  $\mu_{(dim(V_1+V_2)+dim(V_1 \cap V_2))}^{[a]} \subseteq \mu_{dim(V_1)+dim(V_2)}^{[a]}$ .

Similarly,  $\nu_{(dim(V_1+V_2)+dim(V_1 \cap V_2))}^{[b]} \subseteq \nu_{dim(V_1)+dim(V_2)}^{[b]}$ .

Also, it can be proved that for any  $(a, b) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$  with  $a + b \leq 1$ ,  $\mu_{dim(V_1)+dim(V_2)}^{[a]} \subseteq \mu_{dim(V_1+V_2)+dim(V_1 \cap V_2)}^{[a]}$  and  $\nu_{dim(V_1)+dim(V_2)}^{[b]} \subseteq \nu_{dim(V_1+V_2)+dim(V_1 \cap V_2)}^{[b]}$ . Thus for any  $(a, b) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$  with  $a + b \leq 1$ ,  $\mu_{dim(V_1)+dim(V_2)}^{[a]} = \mu_{dim(V_1+V_2)+dim(V_1 \cap V_2)}^{[a]}$  and  $\nu_{dim(V_1)+dim(V_2)}^{[b]} = \nu_{dim(V_1+V_2)+dim(V_1 \cap V_2)}^{[b]}$ . Hence  $dim(V_1 + V_2) + dim(V_1 \cap V_2) = dim(V_1) + dim(V_2)$ .  $\square$

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