

# About the $L^p$ space of intuitionistic fuzzy observables

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**Abstract:** The aim of this paper is to define an  $L^p$  space of intuitionistic fuzzy observables. We work in an intuitionistic fuzzy space  $(\mathcal{F}, \mathbf{m})$  with product, where  $\mathcal{F}$  is a family of intuitionistic fuzzy events and  $\mathbf{m}$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy state. We prove that the space  $L^p$  with corresponding intuitionistic fuzzy pseudometric  $\rho_{IF}$  is a pseudometric space.

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## 1 Introduction

In paper [7], B. Riečan studied  $L^p$  space of fuzzy sets  $\mathcal{M}$ . He proved that this  $L^p$  space is a complete pseudometric space. A more general situation was studied in paper [8]. There, an  $L^p$  space was constructed for the observables of MV-algebra with product. In this case  $L^p$  is a complete pseudometric space, too.

In this paper, we define an  $L^p$  space of intuitionistic fuzzy observables and we prove that the space  $L^p$  with corresponding intuitionistic fuzzy pseudometric  $\rho_{IF}$  is a pseudometric space. Since



the notion of intuitionistic fuzzy observable  $x : \mathcal{B}(R) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  is a generalization of the notion of random variable  $\xi : \Omega \rightarrow R$  (more precisely  $\xi : (\Omega, \mathcal{S}, P) \rightarrow (R, \mathcal{B}(R), P_\xi)$ ), we are inspired by  $L^p$  space of random variables. There

$$\int_{\Omega} |\xi|^p dP = \int_R |t|^p dP_\xi(t).$$

The distance in the  $L^p$  space of random variables is defined by the formula

$$\rho(\xi, \eta) = \left( \int_{\Omega} |\xi - \eta|^p dP \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} = \left( \iint_{R^2} |u - v|^p dP_{T(u,v)} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}},$$

where  $T = (\xi, \eta) : \Omega \rightarrow R^2$ ,  $P_T : \mathcal{B}(R^2) \rightarrow [0, 1]$ ,  $P_T(A) = P(T^{-1}(A))$ .

Remark that in the whole text we use the abbreviation “IF” for the term “intuitionistic fuzzy”.

## 2 Preliminaries and auxiliary notions

The year 2023 is the 40-th anniversary of the invention of the concept and theory of intuitionistic fuzzy sets by K. T. Atanassov in the paper [1]. As an *IF-set*  $\mathbf{A}$  on  $\Omega$  he understands a pair  $(\mu_A, \nu_A)$  of mappings  $\mu_A, \nu_A : \Omega \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that  $\mu_A + \nu_A \leq 1_\Omega$ .

In this paper we will work with a family of intuitionistic fuzzy events on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{S})$  denoted by  $\mathcal{F}$ .

Recall that an *IF-event* is called an IF-set  $\mathbf{A} = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  such that the functions  $\mu_A, \nu_A : \Omega \rightarrow [0, 1]$  are  $\mathcal{S}$ -measurable (see [3, 2]).

On this family we use the Łukasiewicz binary operations  $\oplus, \odot$  given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A} \oplus \mathbf{B} &= ((\mu_A + \mu_B) \wedge 1_\Omega, (\nu_A + \nu_B - 1_\Omega) \vee 0_\Omega), \\ \mathbf{A} \odot \mathbf{B} &= ((\mu_A + \mu_B - 1_\Omega) \vee 0_\Omega, (\nu_A + \nu_B) \wedge 1_\Omega), \end{aligned}$$

for each  $\mathbf{A} = (\mu_A, \nu_A) \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $\mathbf{B} = (\mu_B, \nu_B) \in \mathcal{F}$ . The *partial ordering* is given by

$$\mathbf{A} \leq \mathbf{B} \iff \mu_A \leq \mu_B, \nu_A \geq \nu_B.$$

In the papers [9, 11], B. Riečan defined the notion of an *IF-state* as a mapping  $\mathbf{m} : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow [0, 1]$  with the following three conditions:

- (i)  $\mathbf{m}((1_\Omega, 0_\Omega)) = 1$ ,  $\mathbf{m}((0_\Omega, 1_\Omega)) = 0$ ;
- (ii) if  $\mathbf{A} \odot \mathbf{B} = (0_\Omega, 1_\Omega)$  and  $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $\mathbf{m}(\mathbf{A} \oplus \mathbf{B}) = \mathbf{m}(\mathbf{A}) + \mathbf{m}(\mathbf{B})$ ;
- (iii) if  $\mathbf{A}_n \nearrow \mathbf{A}$  (i.e.,  $\mu_{A_n} \nearrow \mu_A, \nu_{A_n} \searrow \nu_A$ ), then  $\mathbf{m}(\mathbf{A}_n) \nearrow \mathbf{m}(\mathbf{A})$ .

and he defined the notion of an *IF-observable* as a mapping  $x : \mathcal{B}(R) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  satisfying the following conditions:

- (i)  $x(R) = (1_\Omega, 0_\Omega)$ ,  $x(\emptyset) = (0_\Omega, 1_\Omega)$ ;
- (ii) if  $A \cap B = \emptyset$ , then  $x(A) \odot x(B) = (0_\Omega, 1_\Omega)$  and  $x(A \cup B) = x(A) \oplus x(B)$ ;
- (iii) if  $A_n \nearrow A$ , then  $x(A_n) \nearrow x(A)$ ,

where  $\mathcal{B}(R)$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra of the family  $\mathcal{J}$  of all intervals in  $R$  of the form

$$[a, b) = \{x \in R : a \leq x < b\}.$$

Similarly, we can formulate the notion of an  $n$ -dimensional IF-observable as a mapping  $x : \mathcal{B}(R^n) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  with the following conditions:

- (i)  $x(R^n) = (1_\Omega, 0_\Omega)$ ,  $x(\emptyset) = (0_\Omega, 1_\Omega)$ ;
- (ii) if  $A \cap B = \emptyset$ ,  $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(R^n)$ , then  $x(A) \odot x(B) = (0_\Omega, 1_\Omega)$  and  $x(A \cup B) = x(A) \oplus x(B)$ ;
- (iii) if  $A_n \nearrow A$ , then  $x(A_n) \nearrow x(A)$  for each  $A, A_n \in \mathcal{B}(R^n)$ .

If  $n = 1$ , we simply say that  $x$  is an IF-observable.

Remark that the composition of an IF-state  $\mathbf{m}$  and an IF-observable  $x$  is a probability measure denoted  $\mathbf{m}_x$ , i.e.,  $\mathbf{m}_x(C) = \mathbf{m}(x(C))$  for each  $C \in \mathcal{B}(R)$ .

In [10], B. Riečan defined the notion of a joint IF-observable and proved its existence. The *joint IF-observable of the IF-observables  $x, y$*  is a mapping  $h : \mathcal{B}(R^2) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  satisfying the following conditions:

- (i)  $h(R^2) = (1_\Omega, 0_\Omega)$ ,  $h(\emptyset) = (0_\Omega, 1_\Omega)$ ;
- (ii) if  $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(R^2)$  and  $A \cap B = \emptyset$ , then
$$h(A \cup B) = h(A) \oplus h(B) \text{ and } h(A) \odot h(B) = (0_\Omega, 1_\Omega);$$
- (iii) if  $A, A_n \in \mathcal{B}(R^2)$  and  $A_n \nearrow A$ , then  $h(A_n) \nearrow h(A)$ ;
- (iv)  $h(C \times D) = x(C) \cdot y(D)$  for each  $C, D \in \mathcal{B}(R)$ .

There  $\cdot$  is a product operation on the family of IF-events  $\mathcal{F}$  introduced in [6]. It is defined by

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} = (\mu_A \cdot \mu_B, \nu_A + \nu_B - \nu_A \cdot \nu_B)$$

for each  $\mathbf{A} = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$ ,  $\mathbf{B} = (\mu_B, \nu_B) \in \mathcal{F}$ .

If we have several IF-observables and a Borel measurable function, we can define the IF-observable, which is the function of several IF-observables. Regarding this, we provide the following definition, see [5].

Let  $x_1, \dots, x_n : \mathcal{B}(R) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  be IF-observables,  $h_n$  their joint IF-observable and  $g_n : R^n \rightarrow R$  a Borel measurable function. Then we define the IF-observable  $g_n(x_1, \dots, x_n) : \mathcal{B}(R) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  by the formula

$$g_n(x_1, \dots, x_n)(A) = h_n(g_n^{-1}(A)).$$

for each  $A \in \mathcal{B}(R)$ .

### 3 $L^p$ space of IF-observables

In this section, we formulate  $L^p$  space of IF-observables. We can consider an IF-observable  $x$  instead of a random variable and a joint IF-observable  $h$  instead of a random vector.

**Definition 3.1.** Fix a real number  $p \geq 1$ . Let  $(\mathcal{F}, \mathbf{m})$  be an IF-space with product. We say that an IF-observable  $x : \mathcal{B}(R) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  belongs to  $L^p_{\mathbf{m}}$  if there exists the integral

$$\int_R |t|^p d\mathbf{m}_x(t).$$

If  $x, y : \mathcal{B}(R) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  are the IF-observables and  $h_{xy} : \mathcal{B}(R^2) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  is their joint IF-observable, then we define the IF-observable  $x - y : \mathcal{B}(R) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  by the formula

$$(x - y)(A) = h_{xy}(g^{-1}(A))$$

for each  $A \in \mathcal{B}(R)$ , where  $g : R^2 \rightarrow R$  is a Borel measurable function defined by  $g(u, v) = u - v$ .

**Proposition 3.1.** Let  $(\mathcal{F}, \mathbf{m})$  be an IF-space with product. If the IF-observables  $x, y : \mathcal{B}(R) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  are in  $L^p_{\mathbf{m}}$ , then the IF-observable  $x - y : \mathcal{B}(R) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  is in  $L^p_{\mathbf{m}}$ .

*Proof.* From definition of IF-observable  $x - y$  we have

$$(x - y)(A) = h_{xy}(g^{-1}(A))$$

for each  $A \in \mathcal{B}(R)$ , where  $g(u, v) = u - v$  and  $h_{xy}$  is the joint IF-observable of IF-observables  $x, y$ .

Consider the probability space  $(R^2, \mathcal{B}(R), P = \mathbf{m} \circ h_{xy})$  and the random variables  $\xi, \eta : R^2 \rightarrow R$  defined by

$$\xi(u, v) = u, \quad \eta(u, v) = v.$$

Evidently,

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\xi}(A) &= P(\xi^{-1}(A)) \\ &= \mathbf{m} \circ h_{xy}(\xi^{-1}(A)) \\ &= \mathbf{m}(h_{xy}(A \times R)) \\ &= \mathbf{m}(x(A) \cdot y(R)) \\ &= \mathbf{m}(x(A) \cdot (1_{\Omega}, 0_{\Omega})) \\ &= \mathbf{m}(x(A)) \\ &= \mathbf{m}_x(A) \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\eta}(A) &= P(\eta^{-1}(A)) \\ &= \mathbf{m} \circ h_{xy}(\eta^{-1}(A)) \\ &= \mathbf{m}(h_{xy}(R \times A)) \\ &= \mathbf{m}(x(R) \cdot y(A)) \\ &= \mathbf{m}((1_{\Omega}, 0_{\Omega}) \cdot y(A)) \\ &= \mathbf{m}(y(A)) \\ &= \mathbf{m}_y(A). \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Since  $x, y \in L_{\mathbf{m}}^p$ , i.e., the integrals  $\int_R |t|^p d\mathbf{m}_x(t)$ ,  $\int_R |t|^p d\mathbf{m}_y(t)$  exist, then by (1), (2) we have

$$\begin{aligned}\iint_{R^2} |\xi|^p dP &= \int_R |t|^p dP_\xi(t) = \int_R |t|^p d\mathbf{m}_x(t) < \infty, \\ \iint_{R^2} |\eta|^p dP &= \int_R |t|^p dP_\eta(t) = \int_R |t|^p d\mathbf{m}_y(t) < \infty.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the random variables  $\xi, \eta$  belong to  $L_P^p$  and the random variable  $\xi - \eta$  belong to  $L_P^p$ , too. Since  $g(u, v) = u - v = \xi(u, v) - \eta(u, v)$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{m}_{x-y} &= \mathbf{m} \circ (x - y) \\ &= \mathbf{m} \circ h_{xy} \circ g^{-1} \\ &= \mathbf{m} \circ h_{xy} \circ (\xi - \eta)^{-1} \\ &= P((\xi - \eta)^{-1}) \\ &= P_{(\xi - \eta)}\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\int_R |t|^p d\mathbf{m}_{x-y}(t) = \int_R |t|^p dP_{(\xi - \eta)}(t) = \iint_{R^2} |\xi - \eta|^p dP.$$

But  $\xi - \eta \in L_P^p$ , i.e., the integral  $\iint_{R^2} |\xi - \eta|^p dP$  exists, hence the integral  $\int_R |t|^p d\mathbf{m}_{x-y}(t)$  exists and  $x - y \in L_{\mathbf{m}}^p$ .  $\square$

**Definition 3.2.** Let  $(\mathcal{F}, \mathbf{m})$  be an IF-space with product. For each IF-observables  $x, y \in L_{\mathbf{m}}^p$  define the map  $\rho_{IF} : L_{\mathbf{m}}^p \times L_{\mathbf{m}}^p \rightarrow R$  by

$$\rho_{IF}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = y, \\ \left( \iint_{R^2} |g|^p d(\mathbf{m} \circ h_{xy}) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} & \text{if } x \neq y, \end{cases}$$

where  $h_{xy} : \mathcal{B}(R^2) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  is the joint IF-observable of IF-observables  $x, y$  and the Borel measurable function  $g : R \rightarrow R$  is given by  $g(u, v) = u - v$ .

**Remark 3.3.** The map  $\rho_{IF} : L_{\mathbf{m}}^p \times L_{\mathbf{m}}^p \rightarrow R$  given by

$$\rho_{IF}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = y, \\ \left( \iint_{R^2} |g|^p d(\mathbf{m} \circ h_{xy}) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} & \text{if } x \neq y, \end{cases}$$

can be rewritten in the following form

$$\rho_{IF}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = y, \\ \left( \int_R |t|^p d\mathbf{m}_{x-y}(t) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} & \text{if } x \neq y. \end{cases}$$

Really

$$\begin{aligned}\iint_{R^2} |g|^p d(\mathbf{m} \circ h_{xy}) &= \int_R |t|^p d(\mathbf{m} \circ h_{xy} \circ g^{-1})(t) \\ &= \int_R |t|^p d(\mathbf{m} \circ (x - y))(t) \\ &= \int_R |t|^p d\mathbf{m}_{x-y}(t).\end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 3.2.** *The IF-space  $(L_{\mathbf{m}}^p, \rho_{IF})$  is a pseudometric space.*

*Proof.* By the Definition 3.2, we have  $\rho_{IF}(x, x) = 0$  and  $\rho_{IF}(x, y) \geq 0$ .

Now, we prove the symmetry. Consider any different IF-observables  $x, y \in L_{\mathbf{m}}^p$ . Let  $h_{xy}$  be the joint IF-observable of IF-observables  $x, y$  and  $h_{yx}$  be the joint IF-observable of IF-observables  $y, x$ . Put  $\varphi(u, v) = (v, u)$ , then  $h_{yx} = h_{xy} \circ \varphi^{-1}$ . Really,

$$\begin{aligned} h_{xy} \circ \varphi^{-1}(A \times B) &= h_{xy}(B \times A) \\ &= x(B) \cdot y(A) \\ &= y(A) \cdot x(B) \\ &= h_{yx}(A \times B). \end{aligned}$$

If we put  $g(u, v) = u - v$  and  $\psi(w) = -w$ , then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{m}_{y-x} &= \mathbf{m} \circ (y - x) \\ &= \mathbf{m} \circ h_{yx} \circ g^{-1} \\ &= \mathbf{m} \circ h_{xy} \circ \varphi^{-1} \circ g^{-1} \\ &= \mathbf{m} \circ h_{xy} \circ (g \circ \varphi)^{-1} \\ &= \mathbf{m} \circ h_{xy} \circ (\psi \circ g)^{-1} \\ &= \mathbf{m} \circ h_{xy} \circ g^{-1} \circ \psi^{-1} \\ &= \mathbf{m} \circ (x - y) \circ \psi^{-1} \\ &= \mathbf{m}_{x-y} \circ \psi^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} (\rho_{IF}(y, x))^p &= \iint_{R^2} |g|^p d(\mathbf{m} \circ h_{yx}) \\ &= \int_R |t|^p d\mathbf{m}_{y-x}(t) \\ &= \int_R |t|^p d(\mathbf{m}_{x-y} \circ \psi^{-1})(t) \\ &= \int_R |-t|^p d\mathbf{m}_{x-y}(t) \\ &= \int_R |t|^p d\mathbf{m}_{x-y}(t) \\ &= \iint_{R^2} |g|^p d(\mathbf{m} \circ h_{xy}) \\ &= (\rho_{IF}(x, y))^p. \end{aligned}$$

Next we prove the triangle inequality. Let  $x, y, z : \mathcal{B}(R) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  be three different IF-observables. Consider a joint IF-observable  $h_{xyz} : \mathcal{B}(R^3) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  of IF-observables  $x, y, z$ . Then

$$h_{xyz}(A \times B \times C) = x(A) \cdot y(B) \cdot z(C)$$

for each  $A, B, C \in \mathcal{B}(R)$ .

Consider the probability space  $(R^3, \mathcal{B}(R^3), P = \mathbf{m} \circ h_{xyz})$ . Then the mappings  $\xi, \eta, \zeta : R^3 \rightarrow R$  defined by

$$\xi(u, v, w) = u, \quad \eta(u, v, w) = v, \quad \zeta(u, v, w) = w$$

are the random variables and

$$\begin{aligned} P_\xi(A) &= P(\xi^{-1}(A)) \\ &= P(A \times R \times R) \\ &= \mathbf{m}(h_{xyz}(A \times R \times R)) \\ &= \mathbf{m}(x(A) \cdot y(R) \cdot z(R)) \\ &= \mathbf{m}(x(A) \cdot (1_\Omega, 0_\Omega) \cdot (1_\Omega, 0_\Omega)) \\ &= \mathbf{m}(x(A)) \\ &= \mathbf{m}_x(A). \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

Similarly,

$$P_\eta(A) = \mathbf{m}_y(A), \quad P_\zeta(A) = \mathbf{m}_z(A) \tag{4}$$

for each  $A \in \mathcal{B}(R)$ . Using (3), (4) and  $x, y, z \in L^p_{\mathbf{m}}$ , we obtain that  $\xi, \eta, \zeta \in L^p_P$ .

Put  $g(u, v) = u - v$  and  $\pi_{xy}(u, v, w) = (u, v)$ . Then  $h_{xy} = h_{xyz} \circ \pi_{xy}^{-1}$  is a joint IF-observable of IF-observables  $x, y$ . Really,

$$\begin{aligned} h_{xy}(A \times B) &= h_{xyz}(A \times B \times R) \\ &= x(B) \cdot y(A) \cdot z(R) \\ &= x(A) \cdot y(B) \cdot (1_\Omega, 0_\Omega) \\ &= x(A) \cdot y(B). \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{m}_{x-y} &= \mathbf{m} \circ (x - y) \\ &= \mathbf{m} \circ h_{xy} \circ g^{-1} \\ &= \mathbf{m} \circ h_{xyz} \circ \pi_{xy}^{-1} \circ g^{-1} \\ &= \mathbf{m} \circ h_{xyz} \circ (g \circ \pi)^{-1} \\ &= P \circ (g \circ \pi_{xy})^{-1}, \end{aligned}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{IF}(x, y) &= \left( \iint_{R^2} |g|^p d(\mathbf{m} \circ h_{xy}) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &= \left( \int_R |t|^p d\mathbf{m}_{x-y}(t) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &= \left( \int_R |t|^p d(P \circ (g \circ \pi_{xy})^{-1})(t) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &= \left( \iiint_{R^3} |g \circ \pi_{xy}|^p dP \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &= \left( \iiint_{R^3} |\xi - \eta|^p dP \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}. \end{aligned}$$

Analogously, we obtain

$$\mathbf{m}_{x-z} = P \circ (g \circ \pi_{xz})^{-1}, \quad \mathbf{m}_{y-z} = P \circ (g \circ \pi_{yz})^{-1}$$

and

$$\rho_{IF}(x, z) = \left( \iiint_{R^3} |\xi - \zeta|^p dP \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad \rho_{IF}(y, z) = \left( \iiint_{R^3} |\eta - \zeta|^p dP \right)^{\frac{1}{p}},$$

where  $\pi_{xz}(u, v, w) = (u, w)$ ,  $\pi_{yz}(u, v, w) = (v, w)$  and  $h_{xz} = h_{xyz} \circ \pi_{xz}^{-1}$  is a joint IF-observable of IF-observables  $x, z$  and  $h_{yz} = h_{xyz} \circ \pi_{yz}^{-1}$  is a joint IF-observable of IF-observables  $y, z$ .

Finally, using the triangle inequality and the symmetry in  $L_P^p$  and the symmetry in  $L_m^p$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{IF}(x, y) &= \left( \iiint_{R^3} |\xi - \eta|^p dP \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &\leq \left( \iiint_{R^3} |\xi - \zeta|^p dP \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} + \left( \iiint_{R^3} |\zeta - \eta|^p dP \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &= \rho_{IF}(x, z) + \rho_{IF}(z, y). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the IF-space  $(L_m^p, \rho_{IF})$  is a pseudometric space. □

## 4 Conclusion

The paper is devoted to an  $L^p$  space of IF-observables with respect to the IF-state  $\mathbf{m}$ . We proved that  $(L_m^p, \rho_{IF})$  is a pseudometric space. The presented results are the generalization of the results in [7], because if  $\mu_A : \Omega \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is a fuzzy set, then  $\mathbf{A} = (\mu_A, 1 - \mu_A) : \Omega \rightarrow [0, 1]^2$  is the corresponding intuitionistic fuzzy set. The Definition 3.1 generalizes the notion of integrable and square integrable IF-observable introduced in [4].

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