

ON  $(\Phi, \Psi)$ -INTUITIONISTIC  
FUZZY MAPPINGS

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**Abstract:** Using the *belongs to* relation ( $\in$ ) and *quasi-coincidence with* relation ( $q$ ) between intuitionistic fuzzy points and intuitionistic fuzzy sets, the concept of  $(\Phi, \Psi)$ -intuitionistic fuzzy mapping is introduced, and related properties are investigated, where  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  are elements of  $\{\in, q, \in \vee q, \in \wedge q\}$  and  $\Phi \neq \in \wedge q$ .

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### 1. Introduction

After the introduction of the concept of fuzzy sets by L.A. Zadeh [8], several researchers were conducted on the generalizations of the notion of fuzzy sets. The idea of *intuitionistic fuzzy set* was first published by K.T. Atanassov [1, 2] as a generalization of the notion of fuzzy sets. A. Rosenfeld [7] studied fuzzy subgroups of a group. K. Hur et al [6] introduced the notion of intuitionistic fuzzy subgroup of a group by using the notion of intuitionistic fuzzy sets. S.K. Bhakat and P. Das [3] introduced the concept of  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -fuzzy mappings from a fuzzy set  $\lambda$  in  $X$  to a fuzzy set  $\mu$  in  $Y$ , and obtained their characterizations. In this paper, we introduce the concept of  $(\Phi, \Psi)$ -intuitionistic fuzzy mappings

from an intuitionistic fuzzy set  $A$  in a set  $X$  to an intuitionistic fuzzy set  $B$  in a set  $Y$ , where  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  are any two of  $\{\in, q, \in \vee q, \in \wedge q\}$  with  $\Phi \neq \in \wedge q$ , by using the *belongs to* relation ( $\in$ ) and *quasi-coincidence with* relation ( $q$ ) between intuitionistic fuzzy points and intuitionistic fuzzy sets, and investigate related properties.

## 2. Preliminaries

Let  $X$  be a nonempty set. An *intuitionistic fuzzy set* (IFS for short)  $A$  is an object having the form

$$A = \{(x, \mu_A(x), \gamma_A(x)) \mid x \in X\},$$

where the functions  $\mu_A : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  and  $\gamma_A : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  denote the degree of membership (namely  $\mu_A(x)$ ) and the degree of nonmembership (namely  $\gamma_A(x)$ ) of each element  $x \in X$  to the set  $A$ , respectively, and  $0 \leq \mu_A(x) + \gamma_A(x) \leq 1$  for all  $x \in X$  (see [1, 2]). For the sake of simplicity, we shall use the symbol  $A = \langle x, \mu_A, \gamma_A \rangle$  for the IFS  $A = \{(x, \mu_A(x), \gamma_A(x)) \mid x \in X\}$ . Denote by  $IFS(X)$  the set of all intuitionistic fuzzy sets in  $X$ . Let  $c$  be a point in a nonempty set  $X$ . If  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$  and  $\beta \in [0, 1)$  are two real numbers such that  $\alpha + \beta \leq 1$ , then the IFS

$$c(\alpha, \beta) = \langle x, c_\alpha, 1 - c_{1-\beta} \rangle$$

is called an *intuitionistic fuzzy point* (IFP for short) in  $X$  (see [5]), where  $\alpha$  (resp.,  $\beta$ ) is the degree of membership (resp., nonmembership) of  $c(\alpha, \beta)$  and  $c \in X$  is the support of  $c(\alpha, \beta)$ . Let  $c(\alpha, \beta)$  be an IFP in  $X$  and let  $A = \langle x, \mu_A, \gamma_A \rangle$  be an IFS in  $X$ . Then  $c(\alpha, \beta)$  is said to *belong* to  $A$ , written  $c(\alpha, \beta) \in A$ , if  $\mu_A(c) \geq \alpha$  and  $\gamma_A(c) \leq \beta$ . We say that  $c(\alpha, \beta)$  is *quasi-coincident with*  $A$ , written  $c(\alpha, \beta) q A$ , if  $\mu_A(c) + \alpha > 1$  and  $\gamma_A(c) + \beta < 1$ . To say that  $c(\alpha, \beta) \in \vee q A$  (resp.,  $c(\alpha, \beta) \in \wedge q A$ ) means that  $c(\alpha, \beta) \in A$  or  $c(\alpha, \beta) q A$  (resp.,  $c(\alpha, \beta) \in A$  and  $c(\alpha, \beta) q A$ ).

## 3. $(\Phi, \Psi)$ -Intuitionistic Fuzzy Mappings

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be nonempty sets and let  $A = \langle x, \mu_A, \gamma_A \rangle$  and  $B = \langle y, \mu_B, \gamma_B \rangle$  be IFSs in  $X$  and  $Y$ , respectively. A mapping  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is

said to have an *intuitionistic fuzzy domain*  $A$  and an *intuitionistic fuzzy range*  $B$  if it satisfies

$$(\forall x \in X) (\mu_B(f(x)) \geq \mu_A(x), \gamma_B(f(x)) \leq \gamma_A(x)). \tag{1}$$

**Theorem 3.2.** *The condition (1) is equivalent to the following condition:*

$$(\forall x \in X)(\forall \alpha \in (0, 1])(\forall \beta \in [0, 1)) (x(\alpha, \beta) \in A \Rightarrow (f(x))(\alpha, \beta) \in B). \tag{2}$$

*Proof.* Assume that (1) is valid. Let  $x \in X$ ,  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$  and  $\beta \in [0, 1)$  be such that  $\alpha + \beta \leq 1$  and  $x(\alpha, \beta) \in A$ . Then  $\mu_A(x) \geq \alpha$  and  $\gamma_A(x) \leq \beta$  which imply from (1) that  $\mu_B(f(x)) \geq \alpha$  and  $\gamma_B(f(x)) \leq \beta$ . Hence  $(f(x))(\alpha, \beta) \in B$ . Conversely suppose that (2) is valid and let  $x \in X$ . Since  $x(\mu_A(x), \gamma_A(x)) \in A$ , it follows from (2) that  $(f(x))(\mu_A(x), \gamma_A(x)) \in B$  so that  $\mu_B(f(x)) \geq \mu_A(x)$  and  $\gamma_B(f(x)) \leq \gamma_A(x)$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

Using the notion of quasi-coincidence of an IFP with an IFS, the replacement of two  $\in$ 's in (2) by any two of  $\in$ ,  $q$ ,  $\in \vee q$ , and  $\in \wedge q$  induces new types of intuitionistic fuzzy mappings. With this in mind, we introduce the concept of a  $(\Phi, \Psi)$ -intuitionistic fuzzy mapping. In what follows, unless otherwise mentioned,  $X$  and  $Y$  denote two nonempty sets, and  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  are elements of the set  $\{\in, q, \in \vee q, \in \wedge q\}$ . To say that  $x(\alpha, \beta)\overline{\Phi}A$  means that  $x(\alpha, \beta)\Phi A$  does not hold. For all  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in [0, 1]$ ,  $\min\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2\}$  (resp.,  $\max\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2\}$ ) will be denoted by  $m(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)$  (resp.,  $M(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)$ ).

**Definition 3.3.** Let  $A \in IFS(X)$  and  $B \in IFS(Y)$ . A mapping  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be a  $(\Phi, \Psi)$ -intuitionistic fuzzy mapping ( $\Phi \neq \in \wedge q$ ) from  $A$  to  $B$  if it satisfies

$$(\forall x \in X)(\forall \alpha \in (0, 1])(\forall \beta \in [0, 1)) (x(\alpha, \beta)\Phi A \Rightarrow (f(x))(\alpha, \beta)\Psi B). \tag{3}$$

**Example 3.4.** (1) Let  $X = \{x, y, z\}$  and  $Y = \{a, b, c\}$ . Let  $A \in IFS(X)$  and  $B \in IFS(Y)$  with  $\mu_A = (0.4, 0.2, 0.7)$ ,  $\gamma_A = (0.5, 0.3, 0.2)$ ,  $\mu_B = (1, 1, 1)$ , and  $\gamma_B = (0, 0, 0)$ . Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be defined by  $f(x) = a$ ,  $f(y) = b$ , and  $f(z) = c$ . Then  $f$  is a  $(q, \Psi)$ -intuitionistic fuzzy mapping from  $A$  to  $B$  for every  $\Psi \in \{\in, q, \in \vee q, \in \wedge q\}$ .

(2) Let  $X = \{x, y, z\}$  and  $Y = \{a, b, c\}$ . Let  $A \in IFS(X)$  and  $B \in IFS(Y)$  with  $\mu_A = (0.3, 0.4, 0.5)$ ,  $\gamma_A = (0.6, 0.5, 0.2)$ ,  $\mu_B = (0.4, 0.5, 0.6)$ , and  $\gamma_B = (0.5, 0.2, 0.1)$ . Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be defined by  $f(x) = f(y) = a$  and  $f(z) = b$ . Then  $f$  is a  $(q, q)$ -intuitionistic fuzzy mapping from  $A$  to  $B$ .

Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping. Let  $G$  and  $H$  be subsets of  $X$  and  $Y$ , respectively. Then  $f$  is called a *mapping from  $G$  to  $H$*  if  $x \in G$  implies  $f(x) \in H$ . Note that if  $G$  and  $H$  are subsets of  $X$  and  $Y$ , respectively, then  $f$  is a mapping from  $G$  to  $H$  if and only if  $f$  is an  $(\in, \in)$ -intuitionistic fuzzy mapping from  $\chi_G$  to  $\chi_H$ , where  $\chi_G$  and  $\chi_H$  are the characteristic functions of  $G$  and  $H$  respectively. Note also that  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  have an intuitionistic fuzzy domain  $A$  and an intuitionistic fuzzy range  $B$  if and only if it is an  $(\in, \in)$ -intuitionistic fuzzy mapping from  $A$  to  $B$ .

**Theorem 3.5.** *If  $A \in IFS(X)$  and  $B \in IFS(Y)$  satisfy the following condition:*

$$(\forall x \in X) (\mu_B(f(x)) \geq \mu_A(x), \gamma_B(f(x)) \leq \gamma_A(x)), \quad (4)$$

*then  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a  $(q, q)$ -intuitionistic fuzzy mapping from  $A$  to  $B$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $x \in X$ ,  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$  and  $\beta \in [0, 1)$  be such that  $x(\alpha, \beta)qA$ . Then  $\mu_A(x) + \alpha > 1$  and  $\gamma_A(x) + \beta < 1$ . It follows from (4) that  $\mu_B(f(x)) + \alpha \geq \mu_A(x) + \alpha > 1$  and  $\gamma_B(f(x)) + \beta \leq \gamma_A(x) + \beta < 1$  so that  $(f(x))(\alpha, \beta)qB$ . Hence  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a  $(q, q)$ -intuitionistic fuzzy mapping from  $A$  to  $B$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.6.** *Let  $A \in IFS(X)$  and  $B \in IFS(Y)$  be such that  $\mu_A(x) > 0$  and  $\gamma_A(x) < 1$  for all  $x \in X$ , and let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a  $(\Phi, \Psi)$ -intuitionistic fuzzy mapping from  $A$  to  $B$ , where  $(\Phi, \Psi)$  is a member of the set*

$$\{(\in, q), (\in, \in \wedge q), (q, \in), (q, \in \wedge q), (\in \vee q, \in), (\in \vee q, q), (\in \vee q, \in \wedge q)\}.$$

*Then  $\mu_B(f(x)) = 1$  and  $\gamma_B(f(x)) = 0$  for all  $x \in X$ .*

*Proof.* Assume that there exists  $a \in X$  such that  $\mu_B(f(a)) < 1$ . If

$$(\Phi, \Psi) \in \{(\in, q), (\in, \in \wedge q), (\in \vee q, q)\},$$

then  $a(\alpha, \gamma_A(a)) \in A$  for all  $\alpha > 0$  such that  $\alpha < m(1 - \mu_B(f(a)), \mu_A(a))$ , and hence  $a(\alpha, \gamma_A(a))\Phi A$ . But  $(f(a))(\alpha, \gamma_A(a))\bar{q}B$  since  $\mu_B(f(a)) + \alpha < 1$ . Hence  $(f(a))(\alpha, \gamma_A(a))\bar{\Psi}B$ , a contradiction. Now let

$$(\Phi, \Psi) \in \{(q, \in), (q, \in \wedge q), (\in \vee q, \in), (\in \vee q, \in \wedge q)\}.$$

Then  $a(1, \delta)qA$  for every  $\delta < 1 - \gamma_A(a)$ , and so  $a(1, \delta)\Phi A$ . But  $(f(a))(1, \delta)\bar{\in}B$  because  $\mu_B(f(a)) \not\geq 1$ , which implies  $(f(a))(1, \delta)\bar{\Psi}B$ . This is a contradiction. Therefore  $\mu_B(f(x)) = 1$  for all  $x \in X$ . Next suppose that  $\gamma_B(f(b)) > 0$  for some  $b \in X$ . For every  $\beta$  with  $M(1 - \gamma_B(f(b)), \gamma_A(b)) < \beta < 1$ , we have  $b(\mu_A(b), \beta) \in A$ , and so  $b(\mu_A(b), \beta)\Phi A$  for all  $\Phi \in \{(\in, \in \vee q)\}$ . But  $(f(b))(\mu_A(b), \beta)\bar{q}B$  because

$\gamma_B(f(b)) + \beta > 1$ , and thus  $(f(b))(\mu_A(b), \beta)\overline{\Psi}B$  for all  $\Psi \in \{q, \in \wedge q\}$ . Thus if  $(\Phi, \Psi) \in \{(\in, q), (\in, \in \wedge q), (\in \vee q, q)\}$  then  $b(\mu_A(b), \beta)\Phi A$  but  $(f(b))(\mu_A(b), \beta)\overline{\Psi}B$ . This is impossible. Finally we have  $b(\zeta, 0)qA$  for every  $\zeta > 1 - \mu_A(b)$ , which implies  $b(\zeta, 0)\Phi A$  for all  $\Phi \in \{q, \in \vee q\}$ . But  $(f(b))(\zeta, 0)\overline{\in}B$  since  $\gamma_B(f(b)) \not\leq 0$ , which shows that  $(f(b))(\zeta, 0)\overline{\Psi}B$  for all  $\Psi \in \{\in, \in \wedge q\}$ . Thus if

$$(\Phi, \Psi) \in \{(q, \in), (q, \in \wedge q), (\in \vee q, \in), (\in \vee q, \in \wedge q)\},$$

then  $b(\zeta, 0)\Phi A$  but  $(f(b))(\zeta, 0)\overline{\Psi}B$ . This is a contradiction, and consequently  $\gamma_B(f(x)) = 0$  for all  $x \in X$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.7.** *Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping and  $A \in IFS(X)$  and  $B \in IFS(Y)$  be such that  $\mu_B(f(x)) = 1$  and  $\gamma_B(f(x)) = 0$  for all  $x \in X$ . Then  $f$  is a  $(\Phi, \Psi)$ -intuitionistic fuzzy mapping from  $A$  to  $B$  for every element  $(\Phi, \Psi)$  of the set*

$$\{(\in, q), (\in, \in \wedge q), (q, \in), (q, \in \wedge q), (\in \vee q, \in), (\in \vee q, q), (\in \vee q, \in \wedge q)\}.$$

*Proof.* Straightforward.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.8.** *Let  $A \in IFS(X)$  and  $B \in IFS(Y)$ . Then  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a  $(\Phi, \in \vee q)$ -intuitionistic fuzzy mapping from  $A$  to  $B$ , where  $\Phi \in \{\in, q, \in \vee q\}$ , if and only if it satisfies:*

- (i)  $(\forall x \in X) (\mu_A(x) \geq 0.5 \Rightarrow \mu_B(f(x)) \geq 0.5)$ ,
- (ii)  $(\forall x \in X) (\gamma_A(x) \leq 0.5 \Rightarrow \gamma_B(f(x)) \leq 0.5)$ ,
- (iii)  $(\forall x \in X) (\mu_A(x) < 0.5 \Rightarrow \mu_B(f(x)) \geq \mu_A(x))$ ,
- (iv)  $(\forall x \in X) (\gamma_A(x) > 0.5 \Rightarrow \gamma_B(f(x)) \leq \gamma_A(x))$ .

*Proof.* Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a  $(\Phi, \in \vee q)$ -intuitionistic fuzzy mapping from  $A$  to  $B$ , where  $\Phi \in \{\in, q, \in \vee q\}$ . (i) Assume that there exists  $a \in X$  such that  $\mu_A(a) \geq 0.5$  and  $\mu_B(f(a)) < 0.5$ . Let  $\Phi \in \{\in, \in \vee q\}$ . Then  $a(\alpha, \gamma_A(a))\Phi A$  for all  $\alpha$  such that  $0.5 \leq \alpha \leq m(1 - \mu_B(f(a)), \mu_A(a))$ . But  $(f(a))(\alpha, \gamma_A(a))\overline{\in \vee q}B$ , a contradiction. Let  $\Phi = q$ . Then for all  $\alpha$  with  $M(1 - \mu_A(a), \mu_B(f(a))) < \alpha < 1 - \mu_B(f(a))$  we have  $a(\alpha, \delta)\Phi A$  but  $(f(a))(\alpha, \delta)\overline{\in \vee q}B$  for every  $\delta < 1 - \gamma_A(a)$ . This is a contradiction. Therefore the condition (i) is valid.

(ii) Suppose that there exists  $a \in X$  such that  $\gamma_A(a) \leq 0.5$  and  $\gamma_B(f(a)) > 0.5$ . If  $\Phi \in \{\in, \in \vee q\}$ , then  $a(\mu_A(a), \beta)\Phi A$  for all  $\beta$  with

$$M(1 - \gamma_B(f(a)), \gamma_A(a)) \leq \beta \leq 0.5.$$

But  $(f(a))(\mu_A(a), \beta) \overline{\in \vee q} B$ , a contradiction. For  $\Phi = q$ , we have  $a(\delta, \beta) \Phi A$  and  $(f(a))(\delta, \beta) \overline{\in \vee q} B$  for every  $\delta > 1 - \mu_A(a)$  and for all  $\beta$  such that

$$1 - \gamma_B(f(a)) < \beta < m(1 - \gamma_A(a), \gamma_B(f(a))),$$

which is impossible. Hence (ii) holds.

(iii) Suppose that  $\mu_B(f(a)) < \mu_A(a) < 0.5$  for some  $a \in X$ . If  $\Phi \in \{\in, \in \vee q\}$ , then  $a(\alpha, \gamma_A(a)) \Phi A$  and  $(f(a))(\alpha, \gamma_A(a)) \overline{\in \vee q} B$  for all  $\alpha$  such that  $\mu_B(f(a)) < \alpha < \mu_A(a)$ , which leads a contradiction. If  $\Phi = q$ , then  $a(\alpha, \xi) \Phi A$  but  $(f(a))(\alpha, \xi) \overline{\in \vee q} B$  for every  $\xi < 1 - \gamma_A(a)$  and for all  $\alpha$  such that  $1 - \mu_A(a) < \alpha < 1 - \mu_B(f(a))$ , which is a contradiction. Thus (iii) is true.

(iv) Suppose that there exists  $a \in X$  such that  $\gamma_B(f(a)) > \gamma_A(a) > 0.5$ . Let  $\Phi \in \{\in, \in \vee q\}$ . Then  $a(\mu_A(a), \beta) \Phi A$  and  $(f(a))(\mu_A(a), \beta) \overline{\in \vee q} B$  for all  $\beta$  with  $\gamma_A(a) < \beta < \gamma_B(f(a))$ , which is impossible. For  $\Phi = q$ , we get  $a(\xi, \beta) \Phi A$  and  $(f(a))(\xi, \beta) \overline{\in \vee q} B$  for every  $\xi > 1 - \mu_A(a)$  and for all  $\beta$  such that  $1 - \gamma_B(f(a)) < \beta < 1 - \gamma_A(a)$ . This is a contradiction, and (iv) is valid.

Conversely, suppose that conditions (i)–(iv) are valid. Let  $\alpha \geq 0.5$  and  $\beta \leq 0.5$ . If  $x(\alpha, \beta) \in A$ , then  $\mu_A(x) \geq \alpha \geq 0.5$  and  $\gamma_A(x) \leq \beta \leq 0.5$ . It follows from (i) and (ii) that  $\mu_B(f(x)) \geq \alpha$  if  $\alpha = 0.5$ ,  $\mu_B(f(x)) + \alpha > 1$  if  $\alpha > 0.5$ ,  $\gamma_B(f(x)) \leq \beta$  if  $\beta = 0.5$ , and  $\gamma_B(f(x)) + \beta < 1$  if  $\beta < 0.5$ , that is,  $(f(x))(\alpha, \beta) \in B$  if  $\alpha = 0.5 = \beta$ , and  $(f(x))(\alpha, \beta) q B$  if  $\alpha > 0.5 > \beta$ . Hence  $(f(x))(\alpha, \beta) \in \vee q B$ . If  $\mu_A(x) \geq 0.5 = \alpha = \beta \geq \gamma_A(x)$ , then  $\mu_B(f(x)) \geq \alpha = \beta \geq \gamma_B(f(x))$  by (i) and (ii). Hence  $(f(x))(\alpha, \beta) \in B$ . Let  $\alpha < 0.5$  and  $\beta > 0.5$ . If  $\mu_A(x) \geq 0.5$  and  $\gamma_A(x) \leq 0.5$ , then  $\mu_B(f(x)) \geq 0.5 > \alpha$  and  $\gamma_B(f(x)) \leq 0.5 < \beta$  by (i) and (ii). Thus  $(f(x))(\alpha, \beta) \in B$ . Next let  $\mu_A(x) < 0.5$  and  $\gamma_A(x) > 0.5$ . Assume that  $x(\alpha, \beta) \in A$  (or  $x(\alpha, \beta) q A$ ). Then  $\mu_A(x) \geq \alpha$  and  $\gamma_A(x) \leq \beta$  (or  $\mu_A(x) + \alpha > 1$  and  $\gamma_A(x) + \beta < 1$ ). It follows from (iii) and (iv) that  $\mu_B(f(x)) \geq \mu_A(x) \geq \alpha$  and  $\gamma_B(f(x)) \leq \gamma_A(x) \leq \beta$  (or  $\mu_B(f(x)) + \alpha > 1$  and  $\gamma_B(f(x)) + \beta < 1$ ) so that  $(f(x))(\alpha, \beta) \in \vee q B$ . Therefore  $f$  is a  $(\Phi, \in \vee q)$ -intuitionistic fuzzy mapping from  $A$  to  $B$  for all  $\Phi \in \{\in, q, \in \vee q\}$ .  $\square$

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