

Operation \div over Intuitionistic Fuzzy Sets

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A lot of operations have been defined over Intuitionistic Fuzzy Sets (see [1]). In this article we will define one new operation.

(Throughout this article we will mark the class of all IFSs with *IFS* (in italic))

Definition 1: If we have an universe E and two IFSs over it $A = \{(x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x)) \mid x \in E\}$ and $B = \{(x, \mu_B(x), \nu_B(x)) \mid x \in E\}$, then we will assign the set

$$C = \{(x, \mu_A(x)\nu_B(x) + \nu_A(x)\mu_B(x), \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x) + \nu_A(x)\nu_B(x)) \mid x \in E\}$$

as a result of the operation between A and B :

$$A \div B = C.$$

Proposition 1: $A \div B$ is an IFS.

Proof: We will prove that the sum of the membership and non-membership of the result is not greater than 1.

$$\begin{aligned} & (\mu_A(x)\nu_B(x) + \nu_A(x)\mu_B(x)) + (\mu_A(x)\mu_B(x) + \nu_A(x)\nu_B(x)) = \\ & = \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x) + \mu_A(x)\nu_B(x) + \nu_A(x)\mu_B(x) + \nu_A(x)\nu_B(x) = \\ & = \mu_A(x)(\mu_B(x) + \nu_B(x)) + \nu_A(x)(\mu_B(x) + \nu_B(x)) = \\ & = (\mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x))(\mu_B(x) + \nu_B(x)) \end{aligned}$$

From $A, B \in IFS$ follows that $\mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) \leq 1$ and $\mu_B(x) + \nu_B(x) \leq 1$.

Therefore $(\mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x))(\mu_B(x) + \nu_B(x)) \leq 1$ so $A \div B$ is an IFS.

We will now examine some of the properties of the operation:

Proposition 2: Operation \div is commutative.

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} A \div B &= \{(x, \mu_A(x)\nu_B(x) + \nu_A(x)\mu_B(x), \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x) + \nu_A(x)\nu_B(x)) \mid x \in E\}, \\ B \div A &= \{(x, \mu_B(x)\nu_A(x) + \nu_B(x)\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x)\mu_A(x) + \nu_B(x)\nu_A(x)) \mid x \in E\}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $A \div B = B \div A$.

Proposition 3: Operation \div is associative.

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} (A \div B) \div C &= \{(x, \mu_A(x)\nu_B(x) + \nu_A(x)\mu_B(x), \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x) + \nu_A(x)\nu_B(x)) \mid x \in E\} \div C = \\ &= \{(x, \mu_A(x)\nu_B(x)\nu_C(x) + \nu_A(x)\mu_B(x)\nu_C(x) + \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x)\mu_C(x) + \nu_A(x)\nu_B(x)\mu_C(x), \\ &\mu_A(x)\nu_B(x)\mu_C(x) + \nu_A(x)\mu_B(x)\mu_C(x) + \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x)\nu_C(x) + \nu_A(x)\nu_B(x)\nu_C(x)) \mid x \in E\}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A \div (B \div C) &= A \div \{(x, \mu_B(x)\nu_C(x) + \nu_B(x)\mu_C(x), \mu_B(x)\mu_C(x) + \nu_B(x)\nu_C(x)) \mid x \in E\} = \\ &= \{(x, \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x)\mu_C(x) + \mu_A(x)\nu_B(x)\nu_C(x) + \nu_A(x)\mu_B(x)\nu_C(x) + \nu_A(x)\nu_B(x)\mu_C(x), \\ &\mu_A(x)\mu_B(x)\nu_C(x) + \mu_A(x)\nu_B(x)\mu_C(x) + \nu_A(x)\mu_B(x)\mu_C(x) + \nu_A(x)\nu_B(x)\nu_C(x)) \mid x \in E\}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $(A \div B) \div C = A \div (B \div C)$.

Theorem 1: According to the set of all IFSs (or *IFS*) the operation \div forms a monoid.

Proof: From Proposition 1 it follows that (IFS, \div) is a groupoid. From Proposition 2 it follows that (IFS, \div) is a semi-group. From Proposition 2 it follows that \div is associative.

We will show the existence of a neutral element:

Let us suppose that X is a neutral element, i.e.

$$A \div X = A.$$

Therefore

$\{(x, \mu_A(x)v_X(x) + v_A(x)\mu_X(x), \mu_A(x)\mu_X(x) + v_A(x)v_X(x)) \mid x \in E\} = \{(x, \mu_A(x), v_A(x)) \mid x \in E\}$
and we have the following system of equations:

$$\mid \mu_A(x)v_X(x) + v_A(x)\mu_X(x) = \mu_A(x)$$

$$\mid \mu_A(x)\mu_X(x) + v_A(x)v_X(x) = v_A(x)$$

1st case: $\mu_A(x) = 0$. Hence

$v_A(x)v_X(x) = v_A(x)$ i.e. $v_X(x) = 1$ and $\mu_X(x) = 0$.

Therefore the neutral element $X = \{(x, 0, 1) \mid x \in E\} \equiv \bar{0}$ (of $[1]$).

2nd case: $\mu_A(x) \neq 0$. Hence

$$\mu_X(x) = \frac{v_A(x)(1 - v_A(x))}{\mu_A(x)},$$

$$\mu_A(x)v_X(x) + v_A(x) \frac{v_A(x)(1 - v_A(x))}{\mu_A(x)} = \mu_A(x) \mid \cdot \mu_A(x),$$

$$\mu_A^2(x)v_X(x) + v_A^2(x) - v_A^2(x)v_X(x) = \mu_A^2(x),$$

$$v_X(x)(\mu_A^2(x) - v_A^2(x)) = \mu_A^2(x) - v_A^2(x),$$

$$v_X(x) = 1 \text{ and } \mu_X(x) = 0.$$

Hence the neutral element is again the above $X = \{(x, 0, 1) \mid x \in E\} \equiv \bar{0}$, i.e. (IFS, \div) is a monoid.

Now we will show that there is no opposite element and thus so \div does not form a group.

Let us suppose that X is the opposite element of the element A , i.e.

$$A \div X = \bar{0},$$

i.e.

$$\{(x, \mu_A(x)v_X(x) + v_A(x)\mu_X(x), \mu_A(x)\mu_X(x) + v_A(x)v_X(x)) \mid x \in E\} = \{(x, 0, 1) \mid x \in E\}.$$

Therefore we have the following system of equations:

$$\mu_A(x)v_X(x) + v_A(x)\mu_X(x) = 0$$

$$\mu_A(x)\mu_X(x) + v_A(x)v_X(x) = 1$$

1st case: $\mu_A(x) = 0$. Hence

$$v_A(x)\mu_X(x) = 0$$

$$v_A(x)v_X(x) = 1, \text{ but } v_A(x) \leq 1 \text{ and } v_X(x) \leq 1 \text{ therefore } v_A(x) = v_X(x) = 1$$

and thus so $\mu_A(x) = \mu_X(x) = 0$.

Therefore the opposite element of $\{(x, 0, 1) \mid x \in E\}$ is $\{(x, 0, 1) \mid x \in E\}$ (i.e. the same).

2nd case: $\mu_A(x) \neq 0$. Hence

$$v_X(x) = -\frac{v_A(x)\mu_X(x)}{\mu_A(x)}, \text{ but } v_X(x) \geq 0 \text{ therefore } v_A(x)\mu_X(x) = 0.$$

2.1 $v_A(x) = 0$ i.e. $\mu_A(x)\mu_X(x) = 1$, but $\mu_A(x) \leq 1$ and $\mu_X(x) \leq 1$, therefore $\mu_A(x) = \mu_X(x) = 1$.

Therefore $v_X(x) = 0$

and so the opposite element of $\{(x, 1, 0) \mid x \in E\}$ is $\{(x, 1, 0) \mid x \in E\}$ (e.i. the same).
 2.2 $v_A(x) \neq 0$ i.e. $\mu_X(x) = 0$.

Therefore $v_A(x)v_X(x) = 1$, but $v_A(x) \leq 1$ and $v_X(x) \leq 1$ so $v_A(x) = v_X(x) = 1$.

Therefore $\mu_A(x) = 0$, which is contrary with the condition of 2nd case $\mu_A(x) \neq 0$.

Therefore our supposition is wrong and so there is no opposite element in the common case.

Therefore (IFS, \div) is a monoid and not a group.

Note: Actually, we can notice that the $\{(x, 0, 1) \mid x \in E\}$ set, in \div operation with

$A = \{(x, \mu_A(x), v_A(x)) \mid x \in E\}$, actually keeps the other set A intact.

For example $A \div \{(x, 0, 1) \mid x \in E\} =$

$$= \{(x, \mu_A(x), v_A(x)) \mid x \in E\} \div \{(x, 0, 1) \mid x \in E\} = \{(x, \mu_A(x), v_A(x)) \mid x \in E\}.$$

On the contrary, the $\{(x, 1, 0) \mid x \in E\}$ set, in \div operation with $A = \{(x, \mu_A(x), v_A(x)) \mid x \in E\}$, returns the opposite of A i.e. $\neg A = \{(x, v_A(x), \mu_A(x)) \mid x \in E\}$.

Also notable sets are $\{(x, 0, 0) \mid x \in E\}$, which in \div operation with every set returns itself $\{(x, 0, 0) \mid x \in E\}$, and $\{(x, 0.5, 0.5) \mid x \in E\}$, which in \div operation with $A = \{(x, \mu_A(x), v_A(x)) \mid x \in E\}$, returns

$$\{(x, \frac{\mu_A(x) + v_A(x)}{2}, \frac{\mu_A(x) + v_A(x)}{2}) \mid x \in E\}.$$

Proposition 4: Operation \div is distributive only with the $@$ operation and specifically $(A @ B) \div C = (A \div C) @ (B \div C)$ and that $(A \div B) @ C \neq (A @ C) \div (B @ C)$.

Proof: We will prove the first one:

$$\begin{aligned} (A @ B) \div C &= \{(x, \frac{\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x)}{2}, \frac{v_A(x), v_B(x)}{2}) \mid x \in E\} \div C = \\ &= \{(x, \frac{\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x)}{2} v_C(x) + \frac{v_A(x), v_B(x)}{2} \mu_C(x), \frac{\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x)}{2} \mu_C(x) + \frac{v_A(x), v_B(x)}{2} v_C(x)) \mid x \in E\} \\ &= \{(x, \mu_A(x)v_C(x) + v_A(x)\mu_C(x), \mu_A(x)\mu_C(x) + v_A(x)v_C(x)) \mid x \in E\} @ \{(x, \mu_B(x)v_C(x) + v_B(x)\mu_C(x), \mu_B(x)\mu_C(x) + v_B(x)v_C(x)) \mid x \in E\} = \\ &= \{(x, \frac{\mu_A(x)v_C(x) + v_A(x)\mu_C(x) + \mu_B(x)v_C(x) + v_B(x)\mu_C(x)}{2}, \\ &\quad \frac{\mu_A(x)\mu_C(x) + v_A(x)v_C(x) + \mu_B(x)\mu_C(x) + v_B(x)v_C(x)}{2}) \mid x \in E\}. \end{aligned}$$

The results are equal and therefore $(A @ B) \div C = (A \div C) @ (B \div C)$.

To prove that $(A \div B) @ C \neq (A @ C) \div (B @ C)$ it is sufficient to examine the case

$A = B = C = \{(x, 1, 0) \mid x \in E\}$:

$(A \div B) @ C = \{(x, 0.5, 0.5) \mid x \in E\}$,

$(A @ C) \div (B @ C) = \{(x, 0, 1) \mid x \in E\}$.

There are no other distributive relations between \div and either of these: $+$, \cdot , \cap , \cup . To prove that it is sufficient to check:

$$\begin{aligned} & (\{(x, 0.5, 0) \mid x \in E\} \div \{(x, 1, 0) \mid x \in E\}) \bullet \{(x, 0.5, 0) \mid x \in E\} \neq \\ & \neq (\{(x, 0.5, 0) \mid x \in E\} \bullet \{(x, 0.5, 0) \mid x \in E\}) \div (\{(x, 0.5, 0) \mid x \in E\} \bullet \{(x, 0.5, 0) \mid x \in E\}) \end{aligned}$$

and:

$$\begin{aligned} & (\{(x, 0.5, 0) \mid x \in E\} \bullet \{(x, 1, 0) \mid x \in E\}) \div \{(x, 0.5, 0) \mid x \in E\} \neq \\ & \neq (\{(x, 0.5, 0) \mid x \in E\} \div \{(x, 0.5, 0) \mid x \in E\}) \bullet (\{(x, 0.5, 0) \mid x \in E\} \div \{(x, 0.5, 0) \mid x \in E\}), \end{aligned}$$

where in the place of the \bullet operation is put either of these: $+$, \cdot , \cap , \cup .

Proposition 5: The \div operation has the following distributive properties in relation with modal operators \Box (necessity) and \Diamond (possibility):

$$\Box(A \div B) \subset \Box A \div \Box B$$

$$\Diamond(A \div B) \supset \Diamond A \div \Diamond B$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \Box(A \div B) &= \{(x, \mu_A(x)v_B(x) + v_A(x)\mu_B(x), 1 - (\mu_A(x)v_B(x) + v_A(x)\mu_B(x))) \mid x \in E\}, \\ \Box A \div \Box B &= \{(x, \mu_A(x), 1 - \mu_A(x)) \mid x \in E\} \div \{(x, \mu_B(x), 1 - \mu_B(x)) \mid x \in E\} = \\ &= \{(x, \mu_A(x) - \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x) + \mu_B(x) - \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x), \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x) + 1 - \mu_B(x) - \mu_A(x) + \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x)) \mid x \in E\}. \end{aligned}$$

We will subtract the membership and non-membership of the second result from the first and compare it with 0 to see which one is greater:

$$\begin{aligned} & (\mu_A(x)v_B(x) + v_A(x)\mu_B(x)) - (\mu_A(x) - \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x) + \mu_B(x) - \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x)) = \\ & = \mu_A(x)(\mu_B(x) + v_B(x) - 1) + \mu_B(x)(\mu_A(x) + v_A(x) - 1) \leq 0, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (1 - (\mu_A(x)v_B(x) + v_A(x)\mu_B(x))) - (\mu_A(x)\mu_B(x) + 1 - \mu_B(x) - \mu_A(x) + \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x)) = \\ & = -\mu_A(x)v_B(x) - v_A(x)\mu_B(x) - \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x) + \mu_B(x) + \mu_A(x) - \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x) = \\ & = \mu_A(x)(1 - (\mu_B(x) + v_B(x))) + \mu_B(x)(1 - (\mu_A(x) + v_A(x))) \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

This proves that $\Box(A \div B) \subset \Box A \div \Box B$.

$$\begin{aligned} \Diamond(A \div B) &= \{(x, 1 - (\mu_A(x)\mu_B(x) + v_A(x)v_B(x)), \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x) + v_A(x)v_B(x)) \mid x \in E\}, \\ \Diamond A \div \Diamond B &= \{(x, 1 - v_A(x), v_A(x)) \mid x \in E\} \div \{(x, 1 - v_B(x), v_B(x)) \mid x \in E\} = \\ &= \{(x, v_B(x) - v_A(x)v_B(x) + v_A(x) - v_A(x)v_B(x), 1 - v_B(x) - v_A(x) + v_A(x)v_B(x) + v_A(x)v_B(x)) \mid x \in E\}. \end{aligned}$$

Again we will subtract the membership and non-membership of the second result from the first and compare it with 0:

$$\begin{aligned} & (1 - (\mu_A(x)\mu_B(x) + v_A(x)v_B(x))) - (v_B(x) - v_A(x)v_B(x) + v_A(x) - v_A(x)v_B(x)) = \\ & = 1 - \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x) - v_B(x) - v_A(x) + v_A(x)v_B(x) = v_B(x)(v_A(x) - 1) - (v_A(x) - 1) - \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x) = \\ & = (1 - v_A(x))(1 - v_B(x)) - \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x) \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (\mu_A(x)\mu_B(x) + v_A(x)v_B(x)) - (1 - v_B(x) - v_A(x) + v_A(x)v_B(x) + v_A(x)v_B(x)) = \\ & = \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x) - 1 + v_B(x) + v_A(x) - v_A(x)v_B(x) = \\ & = -(1 - \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x) - v_B(x) - v_A(x) + v_A(x)v_B(x)) \leq 0 \text{ (from the previous inequality)} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\Diamond(A \div B) \supset \Diamond A \div \Diamond B$.

Finally, we will check some interesting results, using the negation of

$$A = \{(x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x)) \mid x \in E\}:$$

$$\neg A = \{(x, \nu_A(x), \mu_A(x)) \mid x \in E\}.$$

Proposition 6: $A \div B = \neg A \div \neg B$.

Proof:

$$\neg A \div \neg B = \{(x, \nu_A(x), \mu_A(x)) \div \{x, \nu_B(x), \mu_B(x)\} \mid x \in E\} =$$

$$= \{(x, \nu_A(x)\mu_B(x) + \mu_A(x)\nu_B(x), \nu_A(x)\nu_B(x) + \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x)) \mid x \in E\}.$$

It is obvious, that this is equal to $A \div B$.

Proposition 7: $\neg(A \div B) \neq \neg A \div \neg B$.

Proof:

$$\neg(A \div B) = \{(x, \mu_A(x)\mu_B(x) + \nu_A(x)\nu_B(x), \mu_A(x)\nu_B(x) + \nu_A(x)\mu_B(x)) \mid x \in E\}$$

It is obvious that the two are not, therefore $\neg(A \div B) \neq \neg A \div \neg B$.

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