

# Intuitionistic Fuzzification of Sylow's Theorems

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**Abstract:** In this paper, we define two different versions of intuitionistic fuzzy sylow p-subgroup of a finite group. Using these definitions the intuitionistic fuzzification of Sylow's Theorems are obtained. It is shown that all intuitionistic fuzzy sylow p-subgroups may not be conjugate of each other. We find the conditions when all intuitionistic fuzzy sylow p-subgroups will be conjugate of each other.

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## Introduction

The converse of Lagrange's theorem is false: if  $G$  is a finite group and  $d|O(G)$ , then there may not be a subgroup of  $G$  with order  $d$ . The simplest example of this is the group  $A_4$ , of order 12, which has no subgroup of order 6. The Norwegian mathematician Peter Ludwig Sylow [6] discovered that a converse result is true when  $d$  is a prime power: if  $p$  is a prime number and  $p^k | O(G)$  then  $G$  must contain a subgroup of order  $p^k$ . Sylow also discovered important relations among the subgroups with order the largest power of  $p$  dividing  $O(G)$ , such as the fact that all subgroups of that order are conjugate to each other.

The notion of intuitionistic fuzzy subset was introduced by K.T. Atanassov [1] as a generalization of Zadeh's fuzzy sets [9]. In [2] R. Biswas introduce the concept of intuitionistic fuzzy subgroups of a group and studies some of its properties. After this many mathematician start intuitionistic fuzzification of others concept of group theory. In this paper, we put two distinct definitions of intuitionistic fuzzy sylow p- subgroup and study intuitionistic fuzzification of Sylow's Theorems.

## Preliminaries

**Definition 2.1**[1]: Let  $X$  be a fixed non empty set. An intuitionistic fuzzy set (IFS)  $A$  of  $X$  is an object of the following form  $A = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle : x \in X \}$  where  $\mu_A: X \rightarrow [0,1]$  and  $\nu_A: X \rightarrow [0,1]$  defined the degree of membership and degree of non membership of the element  $x \in X$  respectively, for any  $x \in X$ , we have  $0 \leq \mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) \leq 1$ .

**Proposition 2.2**[1] Let  $A = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle : x \in X \}$  and  $B = \{ \langle x, \mu_B(x), \nu_B(x) \rangle : x \in X \}$  be any two IFS's of  $X$ , then

- (i)  $A \subseteq B$  if and only if  $\mu_A(x) \leq \mu_B(x)$  and  $\nu_A(x) \geq \nu_B(x) \quad \forall x \in X$
- (ii)  $A = B$  if and only if  $\mu_A(x) = \mu_B(x)$  and  $\nu_A(x) = \nu_B(x) \quad \forall x \in X$
- (iii)  $A \cap B = \{ \langle x, (\mu_A \cap \mu_B)(x), (\nu_A \cap \nu_B)(x) \rangle : x \in X \}$ ,  
where  $(\mu_A \cap \mu_B)(x) = \text{Min} \{ \mu_A(x), \mu_B(x) \} = \mu_A(x) \wedge \mu_B(x)$   
and  $(\nu_A \cap \nu_B)(x) = \text{Max} \{ \nu_A(x), \nu_B(x) \} = \nu_A(x) \vee \nu_B(x)$
- (iv)  $A \cup B = \{ \langle x, (\mu_A \cup \mu_B)(x), (\nu_A \cup \nu_B)(x) \rangle : x \in X \}$ ,  
where  $(\mu_A \cup \mu_B)(x) = \text{Max} \{ \mu_A(x), \mu_B(x) \} = \mu_A(x) \vee \mu_B(x)$   
and  $(\nu_A \cup \nu_B)(x) = \text{Min} \{ \nu_A(x), \nu_B(x) \} = \nu_A(x) \wedge \nu_B(x)$

**Definition 2.3** [6]: Let  $A$  be an IFS of a universe set  $X$ . Then  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -cut of  $A$  is a crisp set given by

$C_{\alpha, \beta}(A) = \{ x : x \in X \text{ such that } \mu_A(x) \geq \alpha, \nu_A(x) \leq \beta \}$ , where  $\alpha, \beta \in [0,1]$  with  $\alpha + \beta \leq 1$ .

$C_{\alpha, \beta}(A)$  of the IFS  $A$

**Proposition (2.4)** [6]: If A and B be two IFS's of a universe set X , then following holds

- i.  $C_{\alpha, \beta}(A) \subseteq C_{\delta, \theta}(A)$  if  $\alpha \geq \delta$  and  $\beta \leq \theta$
- ii.  $C_{1-\beta, \beta}(A) \subseteq C_{\alpha, \beta}(A) \subseteq C_{\alpha, 1-\alpha}(A)$
- iii.  $A \subseteq B$  implies  $C_{\alpha, \beta}(A) \subseteq C_{\alpha, \beta}(B)$
- iv.  $C_{\alpha, \beta}(A \cap B) = C_{\alpha, \beta}(A) \cap C_{\alpha, \beta}(B)$
- v.  $C_{\alpha, \beta}(A \cup B) \supseteq C_{\alpha, \beta}(A) \cup C_{\alpha, \beta}(B)$  equality hold if  $\alpha + \beta = 1$
- vi.  $C_{\alpha, \beta}(\bigcap A_i) = \bigcap C_{\alpha, \beta}(A_i)$
- vii.  $C_{0, 1}(A) = X$ .

**Definition 2.5:** The support of the intuitionistic fuzzy set  $A = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle : x \in X \}$  is the subset A of X defined by:  
 $Supp_X(A) = \{ x \in A : \mu_A(x) > 0 \text{ and } \nu_A(x) < 1 \} = \bigcup \{ C_{\alpha, \beta}(A) ; \alpha, \beta \in (0, 1] , \alpha + \beta \leq 1 \}$ .

**Definition 2.6**[2]: An IFS  $A = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle : x \in G \}$  of a group G is said to be intuitionistic fuzzy subgroup of G if

- i.  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \mu_A(x) \wedge \mu_A(y)$
- ii.  $\mu_A(x^{-1}) = \mu_A(x)$
- iii.  $\nu_A(xy) \leq \nu_A(x) \vee \nu_A(y)$
- iv.  $\nu_A(x^{-1}) = \nu_A(x)$  ; for all  $x, y \in G$ .

**Theorem (2.7)**[6] : If A is IFS of a group G . Then A is IFSG of G if and only if  $C_{\alpha, \beta}(A)$  is a subgroup of group G for all  $\alpha, \beta \in [0, 1]$  with  $\alpha + \beta \leq 1$  , where  $\mu_A(e) \geq \alpha$  ,  $\nu_A(e) \leq \beta$  and e is the identity element of G.

**Definition 2.7** [9] A flag is a maximal chain of subgroups of the form

$$G_0 \subset G_1 \subset G_2 \subset \dots \subset G_n = G,$$

in which  $G_0 = \langle e \rangle$  and all  $G_i$ 's are called the components of the flag.

**Definition 2.8**[8] Consider a paired set of real numbers  $(\alpha_i, \beta_i)$ , such that  $\alpha_i, \beta_i \in [0, 1]$  and  $\alpha_i + \beta_i \leq 1$  for all  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ , then we call a chain  $(\alpha_0, \beta_0) \geq (\alpha_1, \beta_1) \geq \dots \geq (\alpha_n, \beta_n)$  a double keychain if and only if  $1 = \alpha_0 \geq \alpha_1 \geq \dots \geq \alpha_n$  and  $0 = \beta_0 \leq \beta_1 \leq \dots \leq \beta_n$  and the pair  $(\alpha_i, \beta_i)$  are called double pins.

**Definition 2.9** [7] With the combination of flag and double keychain, we denote the chain  $\langle e \rangle^{(1,0)} \subset G_1^{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)} \subset G_2^{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)} \subset \dots \subset G_n^{(\alpha_n, \beta_n)}$  as double pinned flag.

The purpose of defining the double pinned flag is to define intuitionistic fuzzy sub-group in term of pinned flag.

Corresponding to each pinned flag as defined above, we have an intuitionistic fuzzy subgroup

$A = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle : x \in G \}$  in short  $(\mu_A(x), \nu_A(x))$  as follows:

$$(\mu_A(x), \nu_A(x)) = \begin{cases} (1, 0) & : x \in \langle e \rangle \\ (\alpha_1, \beta_1) & : x \in G_1 \setminus \langle e \rangle \\ (\alpha_2, \beta_2) & : x \in G_2 \setminus G_1 \\ \dots\dots\dots & \\ (\alpha_n, \beta_n) & : x \in G_n \setminus G_{n-1} \end{cases}$$

The converse to the above result is also true

### Intuitionistic Fuzzy Sylow p-subgroup

In this section, we introduce different definition of intuitionistic fuzzy sylow p-subgroup and obtained the intuitionistic fuzzification of the corresponding Sylow's Theorems.

**Definition 3.1:** An intuitionistic fuzzy subgroup A of G is called an intuitionistic fuzzy sylow p- subgroup if the support of A is sylow p- subgroup of G.

**Definition 3.2:** An IFSG A of finite group G is called an intuitionistic fuzzy sylow p subgroup of G if one of the  $C_{\alpha, \beta}(A)$  is a Sylow p subgroup of G.

In definition (3.1), there may be two or more  $C_{\alpha, \beta}(A)$  subgroups which are sylow p- subgroup.

But Support of A may not be sylow p-subgroup of G.

However definition (3.1) implies definition (3.2). Since in finite case support of IFSG A form one of the  $C_{\alpha, \beta}(A)$  for some  $\alpha, \beta \in [0,1]$  such that  $\alpha + \beta \leq 1$ .

Now, we give an example of intuitionistic fuzzy set A of a group G which is intuitionistic fuzzy sylow p-subgroup by definition (3.2) but not by definition (3.1).

**Example 3.3:** Let  $G = S_4$ , the symmetric group on four number 1, 2, 3 and 4.

Define an IFS A

of G by

$$\mu_A(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & ; \text{ if } x \in \langle e \rangle \\ 0.5 & ; \text{ if } x \in \langle (123) \rangle \setminus \langle e \rangle \\ 0.3 & ; \text{ if } x \in A_4 \setminus \langle (123) \rangle \\ 0 & ; \text{ otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad \nu_A(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & ; \text{ if } x \in \langle e \rangle \\ 0.3 & ; \text{ if } x \in \langle (123) \rangle \setminus \langle e \rangle \\ 0.5 & ; \text{ if } x \in A_4 \setminus \langle (123) \rangle \\ 1 & ; \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}.$$

It can be easily verified that A is an IFSG of G. Note that  $\text{Supp}_G(A) = A_4$ .

But  $A_4$  is not neither a sylow 2-subgroup of G nor a sylow 3-subgroup of G. Therefore, A is not an intuitionistic fuzzy sylow p-subgroup of G by definition (3.1).

But we notice that  $C_{0.5, 0.3}(A) = \langle (123) \rangle$  is a sylow 3-subgroup of G. Hence A is an intuitionistic fuzzy sylow 3-subgroup of G by definition (3.2).

We now illustrate some valid Sylow's theorem for the intuitionistic fuzzy set using definition (3.1).

**Theorem 3.4 (Existence theorem):** Let A be an IFSG of a finite group G of order  $O(G) = p^k m$ , where p is prime, k, m are positive integers with p, m are relatively prime. Assume that p divides the order of  $\text{supp}(A) = H$ . Then there exists an intuitionistic fuzzy sylow p- subgroup B of G such that  $B \subseteq A$  in H.

**Proof:** If  $H (= \text{supp}(A))$  is a Sylow p subgroup, then there is nothing to prove (as A itself be the sylow p subgroup of G such that  $A \subseteq H$ ).

Let us suppose that  $H (= \text{supp}(A))$  is not a Sylow p subgroup of G.

Let  $\alpha = \min \{ \mu_A(x) : x \in G, \mu_A(x) > 0 \}$  and  $\beta = \max \{ \nu_A(x) : x \in G, \nu_A(x) < 1 \}$

Clearly  $\alpha \neq 0$  and  $\beta \neq 1$ .

Since G is finite, therefore,  $C_{\alpha, \beta}(A) = \text{supp}_G(A) = H$ .

Since p divides the order of H so by Sylow first theorem, there exists a sylow p subgroup of K of H. By our assumption the order of K must be  $p^t$  where  $1 \leq t \leq k$ .

Further K will be contained in Sylow p- subgroup  $K'$  of G.

We now define an intuitionistic fuzzy set B of G by

$$\mu_B(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & ; \text{ if } x \in \langle e \rangle \\ \alpha & ; \text{ if } x \in K \setminus \langle e \rangle \\ \alpha - \varepsilon & ; \text{ if } x \in K' \setminus K \\ 0 & ; \text{ if } x \in G \setminus K' \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad \nu_B(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & ; \text{ if } x \in \langle e \rangle \\ \beta & ; \text{ if } x \in K \setminus \langle e \rangle \\ \beta + \varepsilon' & ; \text{ if } x \in K' \setminus K \\ 1 & ; \text{ if } x \in G \setminus K' \end{cases}.$$

Where  $0 < \varepsilon < 1$  and  $\beta + \varepsilon' < 1$  for some  $0 < \varepsilon' < 1$ .

It can be easily verified that  $B$  is an IFSG of  $G$  such that  $B \subseteq A$  in  $H$ .

Also,  $\text{Supp}(B) = K'$  is a sylow  $p$  subgroup of  $G$ . Therefore, definition  $B$  is intuitionistic fuzzy sylow  $p$ -subgroup of  $G$ .

**Definition 3.5:** Two IFSGs  $A$  and  $B$  of a group are said to be conjugate of each other if there exists some  $g \in G$  such that  $B = g^{-1}Ag$

i.e.,  $\mu_B(x) = \mu_A(g^{-1}xg)$  and  $\nu_B(x) = \nu_A(g^{-1}xg)$  ;  $\forall x \in G$

**Proposition 3.6:** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two IFSGs of  $G$  having same double pinned flags. Then  $A$  and  $B$  are conjugate of each other if and only if  $C_{\alpha,\beta}(B) = g^{-1}C_{\alpha,\beta}(A)g$  for some  $g \in G$ , where

$\wedge(A) = \{(\alpha_1, \beta_1), (\alpha_2, \beta_2), \dots, (\alpha_n, \beta_n)\}$  be the double pinned flags for IFSG  $A$  of  $G$ .

**Proof:** Firstly, let IFSGs  $A$  and  $B$  have same double pinned flags such that  $A$  and  $B$  are conjugate. Then by definition of conjugate intuitionistic fuzzy sets, there exists  $g \in G$  such that

$$\mu_B(x) = \mu_A(g^{-1}xg) \quad \text{and} \quad \nu_B(x) = \nu_A(g^{-1}xg) ; \quad \text{for } x, g \in G.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } g^{-1}C_{(\alpha_i, \beta_i)}(A)g &= g^{-1}\{x \in G : \mu_A(x) \geq \alpha_i \text{ and } \nu_A(x) \leq \beta_i\}g \\ &= \{g^{-1}xg \in G : \mu_A(x) \geq \alpha_i \text{ and } \nu_A(x) \leq \beta_i\} \\ &= \{t \in G : \mu_A(g^{-1}tg) \geq \alpha_i \text{ and } \nu_A(g^{-1}tg) \leq \beta_i\} \\ &= \{t \in G : \mu_A(t) \geq \alpha_i \text{ and } \nu_A(t) \leq \beta_i\} \\ &= C_{(\alpha_i, \beta_i)}(B). \end{aligned}$$

Conversely, let  $g^{-1}C_{(\alpha_i, \beta_i)}(A)g = C_{(\alpha_i, \beta_i)}(B)$ , for some  $g \in G$ . To show that  $A$  and  $B$  are conjugate of each other. If possible let  $A$  and  $B$  are not conjugate of each other

Let  $\mu_B(x) > \mu_A(g^{-1}xg)$  and  $\nu_B(x) < \nu_A(g^{-1}xg)$ ; for  $x, g \in G$ .

Then,  $x \in C_{(\alpha, \beta)}(B)$  and  $g^{-1}xg \notin C_{(\alpha, \beta)}(A)$

i.e.,  $x \in gC_{(\alpha, \beta)}(A)g^{-1}$  and  $g^{-1}xg \notin C_{(\alpha, \beta)}(A)$

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i.e.,  $(g^{-1}xg)^{-1} \in C_{(\alpha, \beta)}(A)$  and  $g^{-1}xg \notin C_{(\alpha, \beta)}(A)$

i.e.,  $h^{-1} \in C_{(\alpha, \beta)}(A)$  and  $h \notin C_{(\alpha, \beta)}(A)$ , which is not possible as  $C_{(\alpha, \beta)}(A)$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

Hence  $\mu_B(x) = \mu_A(g^{-1}xg)$  and  $\nu_B(x) = \nu_A(g^{-1}xg)$ ; for  $x, g \in G$

Hence,  $A$  and  $B$  are conjugate of each other.

**Proposition 3.7:** A conjugate of an intuitionistic fuzzy sylow  $p$ -subgroup of a group  $G$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy sylow  $p$ -subgroup of  $G$ .

**Proof:** Let  $B$  is a conjugate of an intuitionistic fuzzy sylow  $p$ -subgroup  $A$  of the group  $G$

Then, by definition of conjugates there exists  $g \in G$  such that  $C_{\alpha,\beta}(B) = g^{-1}C_{\alpha,\beta}(A)g$  ; for all  $\alpha, \beta$  which implies that  $\text{Supp}_G(B) = g^{-1}\text{Supp}_G(A)g$ .

Since  $A$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy sylow  $p$  subgroup, therefore there is a sylow  $p$ -subgroup  $H$  of  $G$  contained in  $\text{Supp}_G(A)$ .

Now,  $g^{-1}Hg$  being a conjugate of  $H$  is itself a sylow  $p$  subgroup of  $G$  (by Sylow second Theorem)

Further,  $g^{-1}Hg$  is contained in  $g\text{Supp}_G(A)g^{-1} (= \text{Supp}_G(B))$  and so  $B$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy sylow  $p$ -subgroup of  $G$ .

The next example shows that converse is not true in general i.e., two distinct intuitionistic fuzzy sylow p subgroups need not to be conjugate to each other.

**Example 3.8:** Consider two Sylow 2- subgroups  $H_1 = \langle (12), (1324) \rangle$   $H_2 = \langle (13), (1234) \rangle$  of  $S_4$

We define two intuitionistic fuzzy subgroups A and B of  $S_4$  by

$$\mu_A(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & ; \text{ if } x \in \langle e \rangle \\ 0.5 & ; \text{ if } x \in \langle (12)(34) \rangle \setminus \langle e \rangle \\ 0.4 & ; \text{ if } x \in \langle (1324) \rangle \setminus \langle (12)(34) \rangle \\ 0.3 & ; \text{ if } x \in H_1 \setminus \langle (1324) \rangle \\ 0 & ; \text{ otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad \nu_A(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & ; \text{ if } x \in \langle e \rangle \\ 0.3 & ; \text{ if } x \in \langle (12)(34) \rangle \setminus \langle e \rangle \\ 0.4 & ; \text{ if } x \in \langle (1324) \rangle \setminus \langle (12)(34) \rangle \\ 0.5 & ; \text{ if } x \in H_1 \setminus \langle (1324) \rangle \\ 1 & ; \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and

$$\mu_B(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & ; \text{ if } x \in \langle e \rangle \\ 0.5 & ; \text{ if } x \in \langle (13)(24) \rangle \setminus \langle e \rangle \\ 0.4 & ; \text{ if } x \in \langle (13), (24) \rangle \setminus \langle (13)(24) \rangle \\ 0.3 & ; \text{ if } x \in H_1 \setminus \langle (13), (24) \rangle \\ 0 & ; \text{ otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad \nu_B(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & ; \text{ if } x \in \langle e \rangle \\ 0.3 & ; \text{ if } x \in \langle (13)(24) \rangle \setminus \langle e \rangle \\ 0.4 & ; \text{ if } x \in \langle (13), (24) \rangle \setminus \langle (13)(24) \rangle \\ 0.5 & ; \text{ if } x \in H_1 \setminus \langle (13), (24) \rangle \\ 1 & ; \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then it is easy to check that both A and B are intuitionistic fuzzy sylow 2- subgroups of G with  $\text{Supp}_G(A) = H_1$  and  $\text{Supp}_G(B) = H_2$  respectively which are sylow 2- subgroups of G and so A and B are intuitionistic fuzzy sylow 2 subgroups of G.

But, A is not conjugate to B, for  $C_{(0.4,0.5)}(A) = \langle (1324) \rangle$  is cyclic, and  $C_{(0.4,0.5)}(B) = \langle (13), (24) \rangle$  is not cyclic.

However, we have following theorem on conjugacy whose proof is straight forward:

**Theorem 3.9:** If two intuitionistic fuzzy sylow p- subgroups A and B have the same double pinned flags and for each  $\alpha, \beta \in [0,1]$ , we have  $C_{\alpha,\beta}(B) = g^{-1} C_{\alpha,\beta}(A) g$  for some fixed  $g \in G$ , then they are conjugate of each other.

### Conclusion

In this paper, we attempt to introduce the notion of intuitionistic fuzzy sylow p-subgroup of a finite group G and obtained some results which are different from the crisp sylow Theorems.

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