

GENERALIZATION OF THE SPECIAL
FUZZY NUMBER

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I. Generalization Of The Interval Grey Number.

In the light of the interval grey number, which is posed by professor Deng Julong, we have already given its abstract definition in paper [3], i.e. the grey number as follows is called interval grey number:

$$\mu(x) = \begin{cases} \{1\}, x \in [a, b] \\ \{0\}, x \in [a, b], \end{cases} \quad a, b \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } a < b.$$

We denote it as $[a, b]$, and where a, b are said respectively left and right extreme point. It is easy to know that the interval grey number is one special fuzzy number.

For the further research of the grey equation, grey matrix, etc., we are now trying to generalize it as follows:

Definition 1.

(1) If $a < b$, for $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, interval $[a, b], (a, b], [a, b)$ and (a, b) are all called interval grey number, and then can be respectively denoted as $I[a, b], I(a, b), I[a, b)$ and $I(a, b)$.

(2) If $a > b$, with $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, interval $[a, +\infty), (-\infty, b]; (a, +\infty)$ and $(-\infty, b); [a, +\infty)$ and $(-\infty, b]; (a, +\infty)$ and $(-\infty, b]$ are all called interval grey number. We write them respectively as $I[a, b], I(a, b), I[a, b), I(a, b)$ or $I[a, b], I(a, b), I[a, b), I(a, b)$.

In a word, for any $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, $I[a, b], I(a, b), I[a, b), I(a, b)$ are all called interval grey number, and which can be denoted as Ia, b . Where a, b are respectively called left extreme point and right extreme point.

Definition 2.

(1) If $a < b$, then the interval grey number Ia, b is called a finite interval grey number.

(2) If $a > b$, then the interval grey number Ia, b is called infinite interval grey number.

From the point of intuitive view, the interval grey number Ia, b is a remainder part of which Ib, a is removed from the real line \mathbb{R} , or an interval that surrounds the infinite point.

When $a=b$, then $I_a, b = I_a, a = I_a, a$, i.e. grey number I_a, a . For $x \in R$, it can be all written as I_x, x , i.e. I_x, x . When $x=0$, $I_0, 0 = I_0, 0$.

Definition 3. $I_0, 0$ is called null interval grey number.

Definition 4. If $a \neq 0$ and $b \neq 0$, the interval grey number I_a, b and $I_{1/a}, 1/b$ are called reversal interval grey numbers to one another. Where each one is said to the reverse interval grey number of the other. The reverse interval grey number of I_a, b can be written as $\overline{I_a, b}$ i.e. $\overline{I_a, b} = I_{1/a}, 1/b$.

Definition 5. Interval grey numbers $I_a, b, I_{-a}, -b$ are called mutually opposite interval grey number, in which one is called another's opposite interval grey number. The opposite interval grey number of I_a, b can be denoted by $-I_a, b$, i.e. $-I_a, b = I_{-a}, -b$.

For convenience, let $I(r) = \{I_a, b \mid a, b \in R, a < b\}$, $I(R) = \{I_a, b \mid a, b \in R\}$. Obviously, $I(r) \subset I(R)$, this is to say, if $a < b$, for any $a, b \in R$, the interval grey number I_a, b is a particular case of the I_a, b and $I(R)$ is a generalization of the $I(r)$.

II. Operation Of Interval Grey Number

on the basic of the generalization of interval grey number (or special fuzzy number), We are now trying to discuss their operations.

When $x=0$, we define $1/x = \infty, 0/x = 0$.

Definition 6. For any $I_a, b, I_c, d \in I(R)$.

(1) Addition (\oplus)

$$I_a, b \oplus I_c, d = \{x+y \mid x \in I_a, b, y \in I_c, d\}.$$

(2) Subtraction (\ominus)

$$I_a, b \ominus I_c, d = \{x-y \mid x \in I_a, b, y \in I_c, d\}.$$

(3) Multiplication (\odot)

$$I_a, b \odot I_c, d = \{x \cdot y \mid x \in I_a, b, y \in I_c, d\}.$$

(4) Division (\otimes)

$$I_a, b \otimes I_c, d = \{x/y \mid x \in I_a, b, y \in I_c, d\}.$$

Where $c \neq 0, d \neq 0$.

Now let's research the laws of the operations.

(1) Addition

(I) The sum of two finite interval grey numbers is still a finite interval grey number, and

$$I_a, b \oplus I_c, d = I_{a+c}, b+d.$$

(II) A finite interval grey number plus an infinite interval grey number give an infinite interval grey number, and

$$|a, b \oplus |c, d = |a+c, b+d.$$

Where $a > b, c < d$. When $a+c < b+d$, $|a, b$ plus $|c, d$ gives is the whole real axis R .

(III) The sum of two infinite interval grey number is the whole axis R , i.e.

$$|a, b \oplus |c, d = R, \text{ where } a > b, c > d.$$

(2) Subtraction

(I) The difference of two infinite interval grey numbers is the whole real axis.

(II) The difference of two finite interval grey number is finite interval grey number, i.e.

$$|a, b \ominus |c, d = |a-c, b-d.$$

Where $a < b, c < d$.

(III) An infinite interval grey number subtract a finite interval grey number is an infinite interval grey number, too. i.e.

$$|a, b \ominus |c, d = |a-d, b-c \quad a > b, c > d.$$

That is to say, the difference of any two interval grey numbers is equal to that subtracted interval grey number adds the opposite number of the subtracting interval grey number, except for two infinite interval grey numbers.

(3) Multiplication

(I) The product of any interval grey number time null interval grey number is a null interval grey number.

(II) The product of any infinite interval grey number time a nonnull finite interval grey number is an infinite interval grey number.

When the signs of left and right extreme points of a finite interval grey number are opposite, its product is the whole real axis.

When the signs of both left and right extreme points of finite interval grey number are negative, then

$$|a, b \odot |c, d = |e, f, \quad a < b < 0, c > d.$$

where $e = \min \{ad, bd\}$, $f = \max \{ac, bc\}$.

When both the left and right extremes of the finite interval grey number are positive, then

$$|a, b \odot |c, d = |e, f, \quad 0 < a < b, c > d$$

where $e = \min \{ac, bc\}$, $f = \max \{ad, bd\}$.

(III) The product of two infinite interval grey numbers is an infinite interval

grey number , i.e.

$$|a,b \odot |c,d = |e,f, a > b, c > d$$

where $e = \min \{ac, bd\}$, $f = \max \{ad, bc\}$.

(IV) The product of two finite interval grey number is a finite interval grey number . i.e

$$|a,b \odot |c,d = |e,f \quad a < b, c < d$$

where $e = \min \{ac, ad, bc, bd\}$, $f = \max \{ac, ad, bc, bd\}$.

(4) Division

on the light of definition 6(4).

$$|a,b \otimes |c,d = \{x/y \mid x \in |a,b, y \in |c,d\} .$$

$$|a,b \odot \overline{|c,d} = |a,b \odot |1/a, 1/c = \{x.1/y \mid x \in |a,b, y \in |c,d\} .$$

Where $c \neq 0, d \neq 0$

hence, $|a,b \otimes |c,d = |a,b \odot \overline{|c,d}$

That is to say, that an interval grey number divided by a nonnull interval grey number is equal to that this one times the reversal grey number of the other nonnull one.

From the operations and operation laws shown above, we know easily that arithmetic operation of $I(r)$ is held in $I(R)$, then arithmetic operations of $I(R)$ are the generalization of operations of interval grey number $[a,b]$, with $a < b$.

III. Properties Of The Interval Grey Number.

Theorem 1. For any $|a,b \in I(R)$

$$\begin{aligned} |a,b \oplus |0,0 &= |a,b. \\ |a,b \odot |0,0 &= |0,0. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 2. For any $a \in R, |c,d \in I(R)$

- (1). $a \odot |c,d = |ac, ad$. if $a > 0$
- (2). $a \odot |c,d = |ad, ac$. if $a < 0$

Theorem 3. If $|c,d \in I(R)$, for any $a \in R$, then

$$a \oplus |c,d = |a+c, a+d.$$

Theorem 4. Addition and multiplication of the interval grey number are all satisfies commutative law, i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} |a,b \oplus |c,d &= |c,d \oplus |a,b, \\ |a,b \odot |c,d &= |c,d \odot |a,b \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 5

(1) The addition operation of interval grey number satisfies association law, i.e.

$$|a, b \oplus (|c, d \oplus |e, f) = (|a, b \oplus |c, d) \oplus |e, f$$

(2) The multiplication operation of interval grey number satisfies association law, too, i.e.

$$|a, b \odot (|c, d \odot |e, f) = (|a, b \odot |c, d) \odot |e, f$$

Proof :

We prove (1) here.

(I) If $|a, b, |c, d, |e, f$ are all finite interval grey number. by the operation rules of the addition.

$$\begin{aligned} |a, b \oplus (|c, d \oplus |e, f) &= |a, b \oplus |c+e, d+f \\ &= |a+c+e, b+d+f = |a+c, b+d \oplus |e, f \\ &= (|a, b \oplus |c, d) \oplus |e, f. \end{aligned}$$

Hence (1) hold.

(II) With $|a, b, |c, d, |e, f$, only one of them is a finite interval grey number. We may assume, Without loss of generality, that $|a, b$ is a finite interval grey number.

$$\begin{aligned} |a, b \oplus (|c, d \oplus |e, f) &= |a, b \oplus (-\infty, +\infty) = \text{the whole real axis;} \\ (|a, b \oplus |c, d) \oplus |e, f &= |a+c, b+d \oplus |e, f = \text{the whole real axis.} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, (1) is true.

(III) With $|a, b, |c, d, |e, f$, Two of them are finite interval grey numbers. Without loss of generality, to suppose that $|a, b$ and $|c, d$ are finite interval grey numbers.

$$\begin{aligned} |a, b \oplus (|c, d \oplus |e, f) &= |a, b \oplus |c+e, d+f \\ &= |a+c+e, b+d+f = |a+c, b+d \oplus |e, f \\ &= (|a, b \oplus |c, d) \oplus |e, f \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $|a, b \oplus (|c, d \oplus |e, f) = (|a, b \oplus |c, d) \oplus |e, f$.

(IV) Suppose that $|a, b, |c, d, |e, f$ are all infinite interval grey numbers, It is easy to know,

$$\begin{aligned} |a, b \oplus (|c, d \oplus |e, f) &= \text{the whole real axis} \\ &= (|a, b \oplus |c, d) \oplus |e, f \end{aligned}$$

this (1) is true.

Hence, the result (1) follows from mentioned above. Similarly, We can prove (2).

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