

# The fuzzy-valued Choquet integral of functions with respect to fuzzy-valued fuzzy measures

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It is well-known that the theory of fuzzy-valued integrals<sup>[6]</sup>, fuzzy-valued fuzzy integrals<sup>[2]</sup> have been built up, it is necessary to study the Choquet integral<sup>[1]</sup> valued in fuzzy numbers. In this paper, a theory of Choquet integral of functions with respect to fuzzy-valued fuzzy measures will be shown.

Throughout the paper, the following symbols and notations will be used.  $X$  is a classical set,  $\mathcal{A}$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra formed by the subsets of  $X$ ,  $(X, \mathcal{A})$  is the measurable space,  $F(X)$  is the set of all nonnegative measurable functions from  $X$  to  $R^+=[0, \infty)$ ,  $\mu : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow R^+$  is a fuzzy measure under Sugeno' sense,  $(c) \int_A f d\mu$  is the Choquet integral,  $M(X)$  denotes the set of all fuzzy measures on  $(X, \mathcal{A})$ .

We adopt the concepts about interval number, fuzzy number, interval-number fuzzy measure, fuzzy number fuzzy measure, in [2]. For the sake of brief, they are omitted

**Definition 1** Let  $f \in F(X)$ ,  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $\bar{\mu} \in \overline{M}(X)$ , then the Choquet

integral of  $f$  on  $A$  with respect to  $\bar{\mu}$  is defined as

$$(c) \int_A f d\bar{\mu} = [(c) \int_A f d\mu^-, (c) \int_A f d\mu^+]$$

**Definition 2** Let  $f \in F(X)$ ,  $A \in \mathbf{A}$ ,  $\tilde{\mu} \in \tilde{M}(X)$ . Then the Choquet integral of  $f$  on  $A$  with respect to  $\tilde{\mu}$  is defined as

$$\left( (c) \int_A f d\tilde{\mu} \right)(r) = \sup \left\{ \lambda \in (0,1] : r \in (c) \int_A f d\bar{\mu}_\lambda \right\}.$$

If  $(c) \int_A f d\tilde{\mu} < \infty$ , then  $f$  is said to be integrable on  $A$  with respect to  $\tilde{\mu}$

**Theorem 1** Let  $f \in F(X)$ ,  $A \in \mathbf{A}$ ,  $\tilde{\mu} \in \tilde{M}(X)$ . If  $f$  is integrable on  $A$  with respect to  $\tilde{\mu}$ , then  $(c) \int_A f d\tilde{\mu} \in \tilde{R}^+$ , and

$$\left( (c) \int_A f d\tilde{\mu} \right)_\lambda = \int_A f d\bar{\mu}_\lambda, \quad \lambda \in (0,1]$$

**Theorem 2** The Choquet integral of functions with respect to fuzzy number fuzzy measures has the following properties:

- (i)  $f \leq g$  implies  $(c) \int_A f d\tilde{\mu} \leq (c) \int_A g d\tilde{\mu}$ ;
- (ii)  $A \subset B$  implies  $(c) \int_A f d\tilde{\mu} \leq (c) \int_B f d\tilde{\mu}$ ;
- (iii)  $(c) \int_A a f d\tilde{\mu} = a (c) \int_A f d\tilde{\mu}$ ;

(iv) If  $\tilde{\mu}$  is a additive fuzzy number measure<sup>[11]</sup>, then the fuzzy-valued Choquet integral coincides with the fuzzy-valued Lebesgue integral<sup>[11]</sup>.

$$(c) \int_A f d\tilde{\mu} = (L) \int_A f d\tilde{\mu}$$

(v)  $(c) \int_A I_A d\tilde{\mu} = \tilde{\mu}(A)$ ,  $A \in \mathbf{A}$ ,  $I_A$  denotes the characteristic function of  $A$ .

### Corollary 1

- (i)  $(c) \int_A (f \vee g) d\tilde{\mu} \geq (c) \int_A f d\tilde{\mu} \vee (c) \int_A g d\tilde{\mu};$
- (ii)  $(c) \int_A (f \wedge g) d\tilde{\mu} \geq (c) \int_A f d\tilde{\mu} \wedge (c) \int_A g d\tilde{\mu};$
- (iii)  $(c) \int_{A \cup B} f d\tilde{\mu} \geq (c) \int_A f d\tilde{\mu} \vee (c) \int_B f d\tilde{\mu};$
- (iv)  $(c) \int_{A \cap B} f d\tilde{\mu} \leq (c) \int_A f d\tilde{\mu} \wedge (c) \int_B f d\tilde{\mu};$

**Definition 3** A set  $N \in \mathcal{A}$  is called a null-set with respect to  $\tilde{\mu}$  iff  $\tilde{\mu}(A \cup N) = \tilde{\mu}(A)$ , for all  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ .

**Theorem 3** If  $W^c$  is a null set, then for every measurable function  $f$ ,

$$(c) \int_A f d\tilde{\mu} = (c) \int_A f_w d\tilde{\mu}_w$$

Where  $f_w$  is the restriction of  $f$  on  $W$ , and  $\tilde{\mu}_w$  is similar.

**Theorem 4** Give a measurable set  $N$  the following conditions are equivalent,

- (i)  $N$  is a null set;
- (ii)  $(c) \int_X f d\mu = (c) \int_X g d\mu$ , for all  $f, g \in F(X)$ , such that  $f(x) = g(x)$ ;

$$\forall x \in N^c$$

**Theorem 5** Let  $\{f_n(n \geq 1), f\} \subset F(X), \{\tilde{\mu}_n(n \geq 1), \tilde{\mu}\} \subset \tilde{M}(X)$ . If  $f_n \uparrow f, \tilde{\mu}_n \uparrow \tilde{\mu}$ , then

$$(c) \int_A f_n d\tilde{\mu}_n \uparrow (c) \int_A f d\tilde{\mu}$$

**Theorem 6** Let  $\{f_n(n \geq 1), f\} \subset F(X), \{\tilde{\mu}_n(n \geq 1), \tilde{\mu}\} \subset \tilde{M}(X)$ . If there exists a  $n_0 \in N$ , such that  $(c) \int_A f_{n_0} d\tilde{\mu}_{n_0} < \infty$ , and  $f_n \downarrow f, \tilde{\mu}_n \downarrow \tilde{\mu}$ ,

then

$$(c) \int_A f_n d\tilde{\mu}_n \downarrow (c) \int_A f d\tilde{\mu}$$

**Corollary 2** Let  $\{f_n(n \geq 1), f\} \subset F(X), \tilde{\mu} \in \tilde{M}(X)$ .

(i) If  $f_n \uparrow f$ , then

$$(c) \int_A f_n d\tilde{\mu} \uparrow (c) \int_A f d\tilde{\mu}$$

(ii) If there exists a  $n_0 \in N$ , such

that  $(c) \int_A f_{n_0} d\tilde{\mu}_{n_0} < \infty$ , and  $f_n \downarrow f$ , then

$$(c) \int_A f_n d\tilde{\mu} \downarrow (c) \int_A f d\tilde{\mu}$$

**Concluding remark.** Up to here, the theory of the Chqouet integral of functions with respect to fuzzy number fuzzy measures is built up. It is a kind of fuzzy-valued Choquet integral, which made the number valued Choquet integral as a special case. In a subsequent one, we will show the theory of Choquet integral of fuzzy-valued functions with respect to fuzzy number fuzzy number fuzzy measures.

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