



Zadeh's extension principle for 2-dimensional triangular fuzzy numbers

2-차원 삼각퍼지수에 대한 Zadeh의 확장원리

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Abstract

A triangular fuzzy number is one of the most popular fuzzy numbers. Many results for the extended algebraic operations between two triangular fuzzy numbers are well-known. We generalize the triangular fuzzy numbers on \mathbb{R} to \mathbb{R}^2 . By defining parametric operations between two regions valued α -cuts, we get the parametric operations for two triangular fuzzy numbers defined on \mathbb{R}^2 .

Key Words : Extension Principle, Parametric Operation

요약

삼각퍼지수는 가장 유명한 퍼지수 중의 하나이다. 두 삼각퍼지수 사이의 확장된 대수적 작용소에 대한 많은 결과들이 알려져 있다. 우리는 \mathbb{R} 위에 정의된 삼각퍼지수를 \mathbb{R}^2 위로 일반화하였다. 영역을 값으로 갖는 두 α -절단 사이에 매개변수 작용소를 정의함으로써 \mathbb{R}^2 위에서 정의된 두 삼각퍼지수에 대한 매개변수 작용소를 얻을 수 있었다.

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1. Introduction

A fuzzy set is characterized by its membership function. The membership function of triangular fuzzy number is very simple and consisting of monotonic increasing and decreasing functions. Thus a triangular fuzzy number defined on \mathbb{R} is one of the most famous fuzzy number and many results for the extended algebraic operations between two triangular fuzzy numbers are well-known. The main idea of calculation of operations is to use the α -cuts.

In this paper, we generate the triangular fuzzy numbers on \mathbb{R} to \mathbb{R}^2 . By defining parametric operations between two regions valued α -cuts, we get the parametric operations for two triangular fuzzy numbers defined on \mathbb{R}^2 .

2. Preliminaries

We define α -cut and α -set of the fuzzy set A on \mathbb{R} with the membership function $\mu_A(x)$.

Definition 2.1. An α -cut of the fuzzy number A is defined by $A_\alpha = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid \mu_A(x) \geq \alpha\}$ if $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ and $A_0 = \text{cl}\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid \mu_A(x) > 0\}$. For $\alpha \in (0, 1)$, the set $A^\alpha = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid \mu_A(x) = \alpha\}$ is said to be the α -set of the fuzzy set A , A^0 and A^1 are the boundary of $\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid \mu_A(x) > 0\}$ and $\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid \mu_A(x) = 1\}$, respectively.

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In the calculations between two fuzzy numbers, the concept of α -cut is very important. Furthermore, some operations between α -cuts are very useful and α -set plays a very important role in a 2-dimensional case. Let X be a set.

Definition 2.2.([6]) A fuzzy set A is convex if

$$\mu_A(\lambda x_1 + (1 - \lambda)x_2) \geq \min(\mu_A(x_1), \mu_A(x_2)),$$

for all $x_1, x_2 \in X$ and $\lambda \in [0, 1]$.

Zadeh had defined the extension principle([5]), Zimmermann introduced the same basic concepts in [6] as follows:

Definition 2.3.([6]) Let $X = X_1 \times \dots \times X_n$ be a cartesian product and μ_i be a fuzzy set in X_i , respectively, and $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a mapping. Then the extension principle allows us to define a fuzzy set ν in Y by

$$\nu(y) = \sup_{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in f^{-1}(y)} \min\{\mu_1(x_1), \dots, \mu_n(x_n)\}$$

if $f^{-1}(y) \neq \emptyset$ and $\nu(y) = 0$ if $f^{-1}(y) = \emptyset$.

For $n = 1$, the extension principle reduces to a fuzzy set $\nu = f(\mu)$ defined by

$$\nu(y) = \begin{cases} \sup_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} \mu(x), & f^{-1}(y) \neq \emptyset, \\ 0, & f^{-1}(y) = \emptyset. \end{cases}$$

Definition 2.4.([6]) The extended addition $A(+)B$, extended subtraction $A(-)B$, extended multiplication $A(\cdot)B$ and extended division $A(/)B$ are fuzzy sets with membership functions as follows. For $x \in A, y \in B$,

- (1) $\mu_{A(+)B}(z) = \sup_{z=x+y} \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_B(y)\}$
- (2) $\mu_{A(-)B}(z) = \sup_{z=x-y} \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_B(y)\}$
- (3) $\mu_{A(\cdot)B}(z) = \sup_{z=x \cdot y} \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_B(y)\}$
- (4) $\mu_{A(/)B}(z) = \sup_{z=x/y} \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_B(y)\}$

Remark 2.5.([2]) Let A and B be fuzzy sets and $A_\alpha = [a_1^{(\alpha)}, a_2^{(\alpha)}]$ and $B_\alpha = [b_1^{(\alpha)}, b_2^{(\alpha)}]$ be the α -cuts of A and B , respectively. Then the α -cuts of $A(+)B$, $A(-)B$, $A(\cdot)B$ and $A(/)B$ can be calculated as follows.

- (1) $(A(+)B)_\alpha = A_\alpha(+)B_\alpha = [a_1^{(\alpha)} + b_1^{(\alpha)}, a_2^{(\alpha)} + b_2^{(\alpha)}]$
- (2) $(A(-)B)_\alpha = A_\alpha(-)B_\alpha = [a_1^{(\alpha)} - b_2^{(\alpha)}, a_2^{(\alpha)} - b_1^{(\alpha)}]$
- (3) $(A(\cdot)B)_\alpha = A_\alpha(\cdot)B_\alpha = [a_1^{(\alpha)}b_1^{(\alpha)}, a_2^{(\alpha)}b_2^{(\alpha)}]$
- (4) $(A(/)B)_\alpha = A_\alpha(/)B_\alpha = [a_1^{(\alpha)}/b_2^{(\alpha)}, a_2^{(\alpha)}/b_1^{(\alpha)}]$

Let X be a real line \mathbb{R} .

Definition 2.6.([6]) A fuzzy number A is a convex fuzzy set on \mathbb{R} such that

- (1) there exists unique $x \in \mathbb{R}$ with $\mu_A(x) = 1$,
- (2) $\mu_A(x)$ is piecewise continuous.

We call the fuzzy number A is *continuous* if the membership function $\mu_A(x)$ of A is continuous. If A is a continuous fuzzy number, then the α -cut A_α of A is a closed interval in \mathbb{R} .

One of the most famous fuzzy numbers is the triangular fuzzy number. And many results on a triangular fuzzy number have been suggested in many studies.

Definition 2.7. A triangular fuzzy number on \mathbb{R} is a fuzzy number A which has a membership function

$$\mu_A(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < a_1, a_3 \leq x, \\ \frac{x - a_1}{a_2 - a_1}, & a_1 \leq x < a_2, \\ \frac{a_3 - x}{a_3 - a_2}, & a_2 \leq x < a_3. \end{cases}$$

where $a_i \in \mathbb{R}, i = 1, 2, 3$. It is denoted by $A = (a_1, a_2, a_3)$.

We defined the parametric operations for two fuzzy numbers defined on \mathbb{R} and showed that the results for parametric operations are the same as those for the extended operations([1]). For this, we proved that for all fuzzy numbers A and all $\alpha \in [0, 1]$, there exists a piecewise continuous function $f_\alpha(t)$ defined on $[0, 1]$ such that $A_\alpha = \{f_\alpha(t) | t \in [0, 1]\}$. If A is continuous, then the corresponding function $f_\alpha(t)$ is also continuous. The corresponding function $f_\alpha(t)$ is said to be the *parametric α -function* of A . The parametric α -function of A is denoted by $f_\alpha(t)$ or $f_A(t)$.

Definition 2.8. Let A and B be two continuous fuzzy numbers defined on \mathbb{R} and $f_A(t), f_B(t)$ be the parametric α -functions of A and B , respectively. The parametric addition, parametric subtraction, parametric multiplication and parametric division are fuzzy numbers that have their α -cuts as follows.

- (1) parametric addition $A(+)_p B$:
 $(A(+)_p B)_\alpha = \{f_A(t) + f_B(t) | t \in [0, 1]\}$
- (2) parametric subtraction $A(-)_p B$:
 $(A(-)_p B)_\alpha = \{f_A(t) - f_B(1 - t) | t \in [0, 1]\}$
- (3) parametric multiplication $A(\cdot)_p B$:
 $(A(\cdot)_p B)_\alpha = \{f_A(t) \cdot f_B(t) | t \in [0, 1]\}$
- (4) parametric division $A(/)_p B$:
 $(A(/)_p B)_\alpha = \{f_A(t) / f_B(1 - t) | t \in [0, 1]\}$

Theorem 2.9.(I1) Let A and B be two continuous fuzzy numbers defined on \mathbb{R} . Then we have the followings.

- (1) $A(+)_p B = A(+)B$
- (2) $A(-)_p B = A(-)B$
- (3) $A(\cdot)_p B = A(\cdot)B$
- (4) $A(/)_p B = A(/)B$

Corollary 2.10.(I1) Let A and B be two triangular fuzzy numbers defined on \mathbb{R} . Then we have $A(+)_p B = A(+)B$, $A(-)_p B = A(-)B$, $A(\cdot)_p B = A(\cdot)B$ and $A(/)_p B = A(/)B$.

3. 2-dimensional triangular fuzzy numbers

In this section, we define the 2-dimensional triangular fuzzy numbers on \mathbb{R}^2 as a generalization of triangular fuzzy numbers on \mathbb{R} . Then we want to define the parametric operations between two 2-dimensional triangular fuzzy numbers. For that, we have to calculate operations between α -cuts in \mathbb{R}^2 . The α -cuts are intervals in \mathbb{R} but regions in \mathbb{R}^2 , which makes the existing method of calculations between α -cuts unusable. We interpret the existing method from a different perspective and apply the method to the region valued α -cuts on \mathbb{R}^2 .

Definition 3.1. A fuzzy set A with a membership function

$$\mu_A(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 - \sqrt{\frac{(x-x_1)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y-y_1)^2}{b^2}}, & b^2(x-x_1)^2 + a^2(y-y_1)^2 \leq a^2b^2, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where $a, b > 0$ is called the 2-dimensional triangular fuzzy number and denoted by $(a, x_1, b, y_1)^2$.

Note that $\mu_A(x, y)$ is a cone. The intersections of $\mu_A(x, y)$ and the horizontal planes $z = \alpha$ ($0 < \alpha < 1$) are ellipses. The intersections of $\mu_A(x, y)$ and the vertical planes $y - y_1 = k(x - x_1)$ ($k \in \mathbb{R}$) are symmetric triangular fuzzy numbers in those planes. If $a = b$, ellipses become circles. The α -cut A_α of a 2-dimensional triangular fuzzy number $A = (a, x_1, b, y_1)^2$ is an interior of ellipse in an xy -plane including the boundary

$$A_\alpha = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid b^2(x-x_1)^2 + a^2(y-y_1)^2 \leq a^2b^2(1-\alpha)^2\} \\ = \left\{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid \left(\frac{x-x_1}{a(1-\alpha)} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{y-y_1}{b(1-\alpha)} \right)^2 \leq 1 \right\}.$$

In Remark 2.5, if $A_\alpha = [a_1^{(\alpha)}, a_2^{(\alpha)}]$ is the α -cut of

$A = (a_1, a_2, a_3)$ and $B_\alpha = [b_1^{(\alpha)}, b_2^{(\alpha)}]$ is the α -cut of $B = (b_1, b_2, b_3)$, then

$$(A(+)B)_\alpha = A_\alpha(+)B_\alpha = [a_1^{(\alpha)} + b_1^{(\alpha)}, a_2^{(\alpha)} + b_2^{(\alpha)}].$$

However, in a 2-dimensional case, $A_\alpha(+)B_\alpha$ can not be calculated by the same way since α -cuts are not intervals but subsets of \mathbb{R}^2 . For the calculation in a 2-dimensional case, we consider the operations of α -cuts on \mathbb{R} by using a parameter as in Definition 2.8.

Definition 3.2. A 2-dimensional fuzzy number A defined on \mathbb{R}^2 is called convex fuzzy number if for all $\alpha \in (0, 1)$, the α -cuts

$$A_\alpha = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid \mu_A(x, y) \geq \alpha\}$$

are convex subsets in \mathbb{R}^2 .

Theorem 3.3. Let A be a convex fuzzy number defined on \mathbb{R}^2 and $A^\alpha = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid \mu_A(x, y) = \alpha\}$ be the α -set of A . Then for all $\alpha \in (0, 1)$, there exist piecewise continuous functions $f_1^\alpha(t)$ and $f_2^\alpha(t)$ defined on $[0, 2\pi]$ such that

$$A^\alpha = \{(f_1^\alpha(t), f_2^\alpha(t)) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi\}.$$

Proof. Let $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ be fixed. Since A is a convex fuzzy number defined on \mathbb{R}^2 , the α -cut A_α is convex subset in \mathbb{R}^2 . Let

$$l = \inf \{x \mid \mu_A(x, y) = \alpha\} \text{ and } m = \sup \{x \mid \mu_A(x, y) = \alpha\}$$

The upper boundary of A_α is the graph of a piecewise continuous concave function $h_1(x)$ and the lower boundary of A_α is also the graph of a piecewise continuous convex function $h_2(x)$ defined on $[l, m]$.

Since $h_1(x)$ is piecewise continuous, $h_1(x)$ is continuous on $[l, m]$ except finitely many points $l < x_n < x_{n-1} < \dots < x_1 < m$. Note that x_1 and x_n may equal to the end points m and l , respectively. Similarly, since $h_2(x)$ is also piecewise continuous, $h_2(x)$ is continuous on $[l, m]$ except finitely many points $l < x_{n+1} < x_{n+2} < \dots < x_{n+m} < m$. Note that x_{n+1} and x_{n+m} may equal to the end points l and m , respectively. If the end points l and m (or one of them) equal to some x_i , we can prove the above facts similarly. Define

$$f_1^\alpha(t) = \frac{1}{2}(m-l)(\cos t - 1) + m, \text{ if } t \in [0, \pi],$$

except the points

$$t_i = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{2(x_i - m)}{m - l} + 1 \right), i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

Then $f_1^\alpha(t)$ is piecewise continuous on $[0, \pi]$ and

$$\begin{aligned} & \{l \leq x \leq m \mid x \neq x_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} \\ & = \{f_1^\alpha(t) \mid t \in [0, \pi], t \neq t_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}. \end{aligned}$$

Define

$$f_1^\alpha(t) = \frac{1}{2}(m - l)(\cos t - 1) + m, \text{ if } t \in [\pi, 2\pi],$$

except the points

$$t_j = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{2(x_{n+j} - m)}{m - l} + 1 \right), j = 1, 2, \dots, m.$$

Then $f_1^\alpha(t)$ is piecewise continuous on $[\pi, 2\pi]$ and

$$\begin{aligned} & \{l \leq x \leq m \mid x \neq x_{n+j}, j = 1, 2, \dots, m\} \\ & = \{f_1^\alpha(t) \mid t \in [\pi, 2\pi], t \neq t_{n+j}, j = 1, 2, \dots, m\}. \end{aligned}$$

The explicit proof for piecewise continuity can be proved by the same way in the proof of Theorem 3.2(11). Focussing the construction of functions $f_1^\alpha(t)$ and $f_2^\alpha(t)$, we outline our proof. Define $f_1^\alpha(t)$ and $f_2^\alpha(t)$ by

$$f_1^\alpha(t) = \frac{1}{2}(m - l)(\cos t - 1) + m, t \in [0, 2\pi],$$

and

$$f_2^\alpha(t) = \begin{cases} h_1(f_1^\alpha(t)), & 0 \leq t \leq \pi, \\ h_2(f_1^\alpha(t)), & \pi \leq t \leq 2\pi. \end{cases}$$

Then we have $A^\alpha = \{(f_1^\alpha(t), f_2^\alpha(t)) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi\}$.

The proof is complete.

If A is a continuous convex fuzzy number defined on \mathbb{R}^2 , then the α -set A^α is a closed circular convex subset in \mathbb{R}^2 .

Corollary 3.4. Let A be a continuous convex fuzzy number defined on \mathbb{R}^2 and $A^\alpha = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid \mu_A(x, y) = \alpha\}$ be the α -set of A . Then for all $\alpha \in (0, 1)$, there exist continuous functions $f_1^\alpha(t)$ and $f_2^\alpha(t)$ defined on $[0, 2\pi]$ such that

$$A^\alpha = \{(f_1^\alpha(t), f_2^\alpha(t)) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi\}.$$

Definition 3.5. Let A and B be convex fuzzy numbers de-

defined on \mathbb{R}^2 and

$$\begin{aligned} A^\alpha &= \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid \mu_A(x, y) = \alpha\} \\ &= \{(f_1^\alpha(t), f_2^\alpha(t)) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi\} \\ B^\alpha &= \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid \mu_B(x, y) = \alpha\} \\ &= \{(g_1^\alpha(t), g_2^\alpha(t)) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi\} \end{aligned}$$

be the α -sets of A and B , respectively. For $\alpha \in (0, 1)$, we define that the parametric addition, parametric subtraction, parametric multiplication and parametric division of two fuzzy numbers A and B are fuzzy numbers that have their α -sets as follows.

(1) parametric addition $A(+)_p B$:

$$(A(+)_p B)^\alpha = \{(f_1^\alpha(t) + g_1^\alpha(t), f_2^\alpha(t) + g_2^\alpha(t)) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi\}$$

(2) parametric subtraction $A(-)_p B$:

$$(A(-)_p B)^\alpha = \{(x_\alpha(t), y_\alpha(t)) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi\}$$

where

$$x_\alpha(t) = \begin{cases} f_1^\alpha(t) - g_1^\alpha(t + \pi), & \text{if } 0 \leq t \leq \pi \\ f_1^\alpha(t) - g_1^\alpha(t - \pi), & \text{if } \pi \leq t \leq 2\pi \end{cases}$$

and

$$y_\alpha(t) = \begin{cases} f_2^\alpha(t) - g_2^\alpha(t + \pi), & \text{if } 0 \leq t \leq \pi \\ f_2^\alpha(t) - g_2^\alpha(t - \pi), & \text{if } \pi \leq t \leq 2\pi \end{cases}$$

(3) parametric multiplication $A(\cdot)_p B$:

$$(A(\cdot)_p B)^\alpha = \{(f_1^\alpha(t) \cdot g_1^\alpha(t), f_2^\alpha(t) \cdot g_2^\alpha(t)) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi\}$$

(4) parametric division $A(/)_p B$:

$$(A(/)_p B)^\alpha = \{(x_\alpha(t), y_\alpha(t)) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi\}$$

where

$$x_\alpha(t) = \frac{f_1^\alpha(t)}{g_1^\alpha(t + \pi)} \quad (0 \leq t \leq \pi),$$

$$x_\alpha(t) = \frac{f_1^\alpha(t)}{g_1^\alpha(t - \pi)} \quad (\pi \leq t \leq 2\pi),$$

$$y_\alpha(t) = \frac{f_2^\alpha(t)}{g_2^\alpha(t + \pi)} \quad (0 \leq t \leq \pi),$$

$$y_\alpha(t) = \frac{f_2^\alpha(t)}{g_2^\alpha(t - \pi)} \quad (\pi \leq t \leq 2\pi).$$

For $\alpha = 0$, $(A(*)_p B)^0 = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0^+} (A(*)_p B)^\alpha$ and if $\alpha = 1$, $(A(*)_p B)^1 = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 1^-} (A(*)_p B)^\alpha$, where $*$ = +, -, ·, /.

Theorem 3.6. Let $A = (a_1, x_1, b_1, y_1)^2$ and $B = (a_2, x_2, b_2, y_2)^2$ be two 2-dimensional triangular fuzzy numbers. Then we have the following.

- (1) $A(+)_p B = (a_1 + a_2, x_1 + x_2, b_1 + b_2, y_1 + y_2)^2$
- (2) $A(-)_p B = (a_1 + a_2, x_1 - x_2, b_1 + b_2, y_1 - y_2)^2$
- (3) $(A(\cdot)_p B)^\alpha = \{(x_\alpha(t), y_\alpha(t)) \mid 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi\}$, where

$$\begin{aligned} x_\alpha(t) &= x_1 x_{2+} + (x_1 a_2 + x_2 a_1)(1 - \alpha) \cos t \\ &\quad + a_1 a_2 (1 - \alpha)^2 \cos^2 t, \\ y_\alpha(t) &= y_1 y_2 + (y_1 b_2 + y_2 b_1)(1 - \alpha) \sin t \\ &\quad + b_1 b_2 (1 - \alpha)^2 \sin^2 t. \end{aligned}$$

- (4) $(A(/)_p B)^\alpha = \{(x_\alpha(t), y_\alpha(t)) \mid 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi\}$, where

$$\begin{aligned} x_\alpha(t) &= \frac{x_1 + a_1(1 - \alpha) \cos t}{x_2 - a_2(1 - \alpha) \cos t}, \\ y_\alpha(t) &= \frac{y_1 + b_1(1 - \alpha) \sin t}{y_2 - b_2(1 - \alpha) \sin t}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $A(+)_p B$ and $A(-)_p B$ become 2-dimensional triangular fuzzy numbers, but $A(\cdot)_p B$ and $A(/)_p B$ need not to be 2-dimensional triangular fuzzy numbers.

Proof. Since A and B are convex fuzzy numbers defined on \mathbb{R}^2 , by Theorem 3.3, there exists $f_i^\alpha(t)$, $g_i^\alpha(t)$ ($i = 1, 2$) such that

$$\begin{aligned} A^\alpha &= \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid \mu_A(x, y) = \alpha\} \\ &= \{(f_1^\alpha(t), f_2^\alpha(t)) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi\} \\ B^\alpha &= \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid \mu_B(x, y) = \alpha\} \\ &= \{(g_1^\alpha(t), g_2^\alpha(t)) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi\} \end{aligned}$$

Since $A = (a_1, x_1, b_1, y_1)^2$ and $B = (a_2, x_2, b_2, y_2)^2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} f_1^\alpha(t) &= x_1 + a_1(1 - \alpha) \cos t, & f_2^\alpha(t) &= y_1 + b_1(1 - \alpha) \sin t, \\ g_1^\alpha(t) &= x_2 + a_2(1 - \alpha) \cos t, & g_2^\alpha(t) &= y_2 + b_2(1 - \alpha) \sin t. \end{aligned}$$

- (1) Since

$$\begin{aligned} f_1^\alpha(t) + g_1^\alpha(t) &= x_1 + x_2 + (a_1 + a_2)(1 - \alpha) \cos t, \\ f_2^\alpha(t) + g_2^\alpha(t) &= y_1 + y_2 + (b_1 + b_2)(1 - \alpha) \sin t, \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$(A(+)_p B)^\alpha = \left\{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \left| \left(\frac{x - x_1 - x_2}{(a_1 + a_2)(1 - \alpha)} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{y - y_1 - y_2}{(b_1 + b_2)(1 - \alpha)} \right)^2 = 1 \right. \right\}.$$

Thus $A(+)_p B = (a_1 + a_2, x_1 + x_2, b_1 + b_2, y_1 + y_2)^2$.

- (2) If $0 \leq t \leq \pi$,

$$\begin{aligned} f_1^\alpha(t) - g_1^\alpha(t + \pi) &= x_1 - x_2 + (a_1 + a_2)(1 - \alpha) \cos t, \\ f_2^\alpha(t) - g_2^\alpha(t + \pi) &= y_1 - y_2 + (b_1 + b_2)(1 - \alpha) \sin t. \end{aligned}$$

In the case of $\pi \leq t \leq 2\pi$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} f_1^\alpha(t) - g_1^\alpha(t - \pi) &= f_1^\alpha(t) - g_1^\alpha(t + \pi), \\ f_2^\alpha(t) - g_2^\alpha(t - \pi) &= f_2^\alpha(t) - g_2^\alpha(t + \pi). \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$(A(-)_p B)^\alpha = \left\{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \left| \left(\frac{x - x_1 + x_2}{(a_1 + a_2)(1 - \alpha)} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{y - y_1 + y_2}{(b_1 + b_2)(1 - \alpha)} \right)^2 = 1 \right. \right\},$$

i.e., $A(-)_p B = (a_1 + a_2, x_1 - x_2, b_1 + b_2, y_1 - y_2)^2$.

- (3) Let $(A(\cdot)_p B)^\alpha = \{(x_\alpha(t), y_\alpha(t)) \mid 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi\}$.

Since

$$\begin{aligned} f_1^\alpha(t) + g_1^\alpha(t) &= x_1 + x_2 + (a_1 + a_2)(1 - \alpha) \cos t, \\ f_2^\alpha(t) + g_2^\alpha(t) &= y_1 + y_2 + (b_1 + b_2)(1 - \alpha) \sin t, \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} x_\alpha(t) &= f_1^\alpha(t) \cdot g_1^\alpha(t) = x_1 x_2 + (x_1 a_2 + x_2 a_1) \\ &\quad \times (1 - \alpha) \cos t + a_1 a_2 (1 - \alpha)^2 \cos^2 t, \\ y_\alpha(t) &= f_2^\alpha(t) \cdot g_2^\alpha(t) = y_1 y_2 + (y_1 b_2 + y_2 b_1) \\ &\quad \times (1 - \alpha) \sin t + b_1 b_2 (1 - \alpha)^2 \sin^2 t. \end{aligned}$$

- (4) Let $(A(/)_p B)^\alpha = \{(x_\alpha(t), y_\alpha(t)) \mid 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi\}$.

Similarly, we have

$$x_\alpha(t) = \frac{x_1 + a_1(1 - \alpha) \cos t}{x_2 - a_2(1 - \alpha) \cos t}, \quad y_\alpha(t) = \frac{y_1 + b_1(1 - \alpha) \sin t}{y_2 - b_2(1 - \alpha) \sin t}.$$

The proof is complete.

Example 3.7. Let $A = (6, 3, 8, 5)^2$ and $B = (4, 2, 5, 3)^2$. Then by Theorem 3.6, we have the following.

- (1) $A(+)_p B = (10, 5, 13, 8)^2$
- (2) $A(-)_p B = (10, 1, 13, 2)^2$
- (3) $(A(\cdot)_p B)^\alpha = \{(x_\alpha(t), y_\alpha(t)) | 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi\}$, where

$$x_\alpha(t) = 6 + 24(1 - \alpha) \cos t + 24(1 - \alpha)^2 \cos^2 t,$$

$$y_\alpha(t) = 15 + 49(1 - \alpha) \sin t + 40(1 - \alpha)^2 \sin^2 t.$$

- (4) $(A(/)_p B)^\alpha = \{(x_\alpha(t), y_\alpha(t)) | 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi\}$, where

$$x_\alpha(t) = \frac{3 + 6(1 - \alpha) \cos t}{2 - 4(1 - \alpha) \cos t}, \quad y_\alpha(t) = \frac{5 + 8(1 - \alpha) \sin t}{3 - 5(1 - \alpha) \sin t}.$$

Thus $A(+)_p B$ and $A(-)_p B$ become 2-dimensional triangular fuzzy numbers, but $A(\cdot)_p B$ and $A(/)_p B$ need not to be 2-dimensional triangular fuzzy numbers.

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