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# Fuzzy Implication on the New Representation of Discrete Fuzzy Numbers

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Abstract. An implication function I on  $u:L \rightarrow [0,1]$  is defined on the finite chain  $L=\{0,1,2,\ldots,n\}$  a method for extending I to the set of discrete fuzzy numbers whose support is a set of consecutive natural numbers contained in L (denoted by  $\mathfrak{F}[L]$ ) is given The resulting extension is in the fact a fuzzy implication on  $\mathfrak{F}[L]$  preserving some boundary properties.

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#### 1. Introduction

As a generalization of implications in a classical logic, they are used not only to model fuzzy conditionals, but also in the inference process through the modus ponens and tollens rules [1, 8]. Recently, another approach deals with the possibility of extending monotonic operations on L to operations on the set discrete fuzzy numbers whose support is asset of consecutive natural numbers contained in L. More specifically, the concept of discrete fuzzy number was introduced in [13] as a fuzzy subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  with discrete support and analogous properties to a fuzzy number.

It is well known that arithmetic and lattice operations between fuzzy numbers are defined using the Zadeh's extension principle [7]. In particular, it is proved in [4] the set  $\mathfrak{F}[L]$  of discrete fuzzy numbers whose support is a set of consecutive natural numbers contained in L, is a distributive lattice. Following with this idea to study this paper the possibility of extending discrete implications on L to the implications defined on [7]. Moreover some boundary properties on fuzzy implications are preserved under this extension.

#### 2. Preliminaries

#### **2.1. Discrete implications**

Let  $(P, \leq)$  be a bounded ordered set with smallest element 0 and greatest element 1.

**Definition 2.2.** An implication function I on  $(P, \leq)$  is a binary operator  $I:P \times P \longrightarrow P$  that is decreasing in the first variable, increasing in the second one and satisfies the conditions I(0,0)=1,I(1,1)=1 and I(1,0)=0.

**Definition 2.4.** [6] A border implication *I* on  $(P, \leq)$  is a implication function that satisfies the neutrality principle  $I(1,\beta)=\beta$  for all  $\beta \in P$ 

**Definition 2.5.** Let *I* be an implication function on  $(P, \leq)$ , then *I* satisfies

- (i) The exchange principle (EP), if I(x, I(y, z)) = I(y, I(x, z)) for all  $x, y, z \in P$
- (ii) The contraposition law (CL) with respect to the strong negation N on P, if I(N(y), N(x)) = I(x, y) for all  $x, y \in P$
- (iii) The ordering property (OP), if  $I(x,y)=1 \Leftrightarrow x \leq y$  for all  $x, y \in P$ .

A particular case of bounded ordered set is when consider the finite chain  $L=\{0,1,\ldots,n\}\subset N$ . Operations defined on *L* are usually called discrete operations and they have been studied by many authors(see[6,9,11]) In these studies the following condition, generally used as discrete counterpart of continuity, is usually considered.

### 2.6. Discrete fuzzy number

In this section, we recall some definitions and main results about discrete fuzzy numbers which will be used later. By a fuzzy subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ , we mean a function  $A : \mathbb{R} \to [0,1]$  For each fuzzy subset A,

Let  ${}^{\alpha}A = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : A(x) \ge \alpha\}$  for any  $\alpha \in (0,1]$  be its  $\alpha$ -cut by supp(A)

**Definition 2.7.** A fuzzy subset A of  $\mathbb{R}$  with membership mapping  $A : \mathbb{R} \to [0,1]$  is called discrete fuzzy number if its support is finite (ie) there exist  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R}$ 

with  $x_1 < x_2 < ... < x_n$  such that supp(A) = {  $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n$  } and there are natural numbers *s*, *t* with  $1 \le s \le t \le n$  such that

 $(i)u(x_i) = 1$  for any natural number *i* with  $s \le i \le t$ 

 $(ii)u(x_i) \le u(x_j)$  for each natural numbers i, j with  $1 \le i \le j \le s$ 

 $(iii)u(x_i) \ge u(x_i)$  for each natural number *i*, *j* with  $t \le i \le j \le n$ .

**Remark 2.8.** If the fuzzy subset A is a discrete fuzzy number then the support of A co insides with its closure(ie)  $supp(A) = A^0$ . From now on ,we will denote the set of discrete fuzzy numbers by DFN and the abbreviation *dfn* will denote a discrete fuzzy numbers.

**Theorem 2.9.** [14] (Representation of discrete fuzzy number) Let A be a discrete fuzzy number. Then following statements (1)-(4) hold.

- i)  ${}^{\alpha}A$  is a non empty finite subset of ,  $\mathbb{R}$  for any  $\alpha \in (0,1]$
- ii)  $\alpha_2 A \subseteq \alpha_1 A$  for any  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in (0,1]$  with  $0 \le \alpha_1 \le \alpha_2 \le 1$
- iii) For any  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in (0,1]$  with  $0 \le \alpha_1 \le \alpha_2 \le 1$  if  $x \in \alpha_1 A \alpha_2 A$  we have x < y for all

 $y \in \alpha_2^{\alpha_2} A \text{ or } x > y \text{ for all } y \in \alpha_2^{\alpha_2} A$ 

iv) For any  $\alpha_0 \in (0,1]$  there exist some real numbers  $\alpha_0^{\prime}$  with  $0 < \alpha_0^{\prime} < \alpha_0$  such that  $\alpha_0^{\prime} A = \alpha_0^{\alpha_0} A$  (ie)  $\alpha_0^{\alpha_0} A = \alpha_0^{\alpha_0} A$  for any  $\alpha \in [\alpha_0^{\prime}, \alpha_0]$ 

**Theorem 2.10.** [14] Conversely, if for any  $\alpha \in [0,1]$  there exists  ${}^{\alpha}A \in \mathbb{R}$  satisfying analogous condition to the (1)-(4) of theorem 2.10, then there exists a unique A  $\in$  DFN such that its  $\alpha$  -cuts are exactly the sets  ${}^{\alpha}A$  for any  $\alpha \in [0,1]$ 

# 2.11. Maximum and minimum of discrete fuzzy numbers

Let u,v be two dfn and  $^{\alpha}u = \{^{\alpha}x_1, \dots, ^{\alpha}x_p\}$  and  $^{\alpha}v = \{^{\alpha}y_1, \dots, ^{\alpha}y_k\}$  their  $\alpha$  -cuts respectively. For each  $\alpha \in [0,1]$ , we consider the following sets  $\min^{\alpha}(u,v) = \{z \in \operatorname{supp}(u) \land \operatorname{supp}(v) \text{ such that } \min(^{\alpha}x_1, ^{\alpha}y_1) \le z \le \min(^{\alpha}x_p, ^{\alpha}y_k)\}$  and

 $\max^{\alpha}(u, v) = \{z \in \operatorname{supp}(u) \lor \operatorname{supp}(v) \text{ such that } \max({}^{\alpha}x_{1}, {}^{\alpha}y_{1}) \le z \le \max({}^{\alpha}x_{p}, {}^{\alpha}y_{k})\}$ where supp(u)  $\land \operatorname{supp}(v) = \{z = \min(x, y) \mid x \in \operatorname{supp}(u), y \in \operatorname{supp}(v)\}$ and supp(u)  $\lor \operatorname{supp}(v) = \{z = \max(x, y) \mid x \in \operatorname{supp}(u), y \in \operatorname{supp}(v)\}$ 

**Proposition 2.12.** [3] There exists two unique discrete fuzzy numbers, that we will denote by MIN(u,v) an MAX(u,v), such that they have the sets  $\min^{\alpha}(u,v)$  and  $\max^{\alpha}(u,v)$  as  $\alpha$ -cuts respectively.

The following result holds for [L] but is not true for the set of discrete fuzzy numbers in general (See[4]).

**Theorem 2.13.** [4] The triplet ( [*L*],*MIN*,*MAX* ) is a bounded distributive lattice where  $N \in \mathfrak{F}[L]$  (the unique discrete fuzzy number whose support is the singleton{n} and  $0 \in \mathfrak{F}[L]$  (the unique discrete fuzzy number whose support is a singleton{0}) are the maximum and minimum respectively.

**Remark 2.14.** [4] Using these operations, define a partial order on  $\mathcal{F}[L]$  in the usual way:  $u \preccurlyeq v$  if and only if MIN(u,v) = u, or equivalently,  $u \preccurlyeq v$  if and only if MAX(u,v) = v for any  $u, v \in \mathcal{F}[L]$ . Equivalently, also define the partial ordering in terms of  $\alpha$ -cuts

 $u \leq v$  if and only if  $({}^{\alpha}u, {}^{\alpha}v) = {}^{\alpha}u$ 

 $u \leq v$  if and only if  $({}^{\alpha}u, {}^{\alpha}v) = {}^{\alpha}v$ 

#### **3.** Implication functions on [*L*]

Implication function on the bounded set [*L*] constructed from a discrete implication function *I* defined on a the discrete finite chain *L*. If  $O: L \times L \to L$ 

 $(x, y) \rightarrow O(x, y)$  is a binary discrete function on *L*, denoted by O, the binary operation  $O: 2^L \times 2^L \rightarrow 2^L (X, Y) \rightarrow O(X, Y)$  where  $O(X, Y) = \{O(x, y) | x \in X, y \in Y\}$ 

### 3.1. Notation

For  $A \subset R$  denote  $max A = max \{ x : x \in A \}$ , and  $min A = min \{ x : x \in A \}$ . Let u be a fuzzy set of R, and  $[u]^0$  be finite,  $u = [\underline{u}(r), \overline{u}(r)]$   $\stackrel{\alpha}{=} \underline{u}(r) = \{ x \in [u]^0 / \underline{u}(r) \le \alpha \}$  $\stackrel{\alpha}{=} \overline{u}(r) = \{ x \in [u]^0 / \overline{u}(r) \ge \alpha \}$  with  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$  and  $r \in A$ 

Let  ${}^{\alpha}u = [({}^{\alpha}\underline{u}(r) \cup {}^{\alpha}\overline{u}(r))], {}^{\alpha}v = [({}^{\alpha}\underline{v}(r) \cup {}^{\alpha}\overline{v}(r))]$ Define min  $I({}^{\alpha}\underline{u}(r), {}^{\alpha}\underline{v}(r)) = I(\max{}^{\alpha}\underline{u}(r), \min{}^{\alpha}\underline{v}(r))$ min  $I({}^{\alpha}\overline{u}(r), {}^{\alpha}\overline{v}(r)) = I(\max{}^{\alpha}\overline{u}(r), \min{}^{\alpha}\overline{u}(r))$ max  $I({}^{\alpha}\underline{u}(r), {}^{\alpha}\underline{v}(r)) = I(\min{}^{\alpha}\underline{u}(r), \max{}^{\alpha}\underline{v}(r))$ max  $I({}^{\alpha}\overline{u}(r), {}^{\alpha}\overline{v}(r)) = I(\min{}^{\alpha}\overline{u}(r), \max{}^{\alpha}\overline{u}(r))$ 

**Lemma 3.2.** Let us consider  $u, v \in \mathfrak{F}[L]$  and let *I* be a discrete implication function on the finite chain *L*. Then the following results hold.

 $\min I(\stackrel{\alpha}{\underline{u}}(r), \stackrel{\alpha}{\underline{v}}(r)) = I(\max^{\alpha} \underline{u}(r), \min^{\alpha} \underline{v}(r))$  $\min I(\stackrel{\alpha}{\overline{u}}(r), \stackrel{\alpha}{\overline{v}}(r)) = I(\max^{\alpha} \overline{u}(r), \min^{\alpha} \overline{v}(r))$  $\max I(\stackrel{\alpha}{\underline{u}}(r), \stackrel{\alpha}{\underline{v}}(r)) = I(\min^{\alpha} \underline{u}(r), \max^{\alpha} \overline{v}(r))$  $\max I(\stackrel{\alpha}{\overline{u}}(r), \stackrel{\alpha}{\overline{v}}(r)) = I(\min^{\alpha} \overline{u}(r), \max^{\alpha} \overline{v}(r))$ It is obvious that

 $I(\min^{\alpha} \underline{u}(r), \max^{\alpha} \underline{v}(r)) \leq \max I(^{\alpha} \underline{u}(r), ^{\alpha} \underline{v}(r))$  is clear To prove the converse inequality. Since *I* is decreasing in the first variable and increasing in the second one we get

 $I(x, y) \leq I(\min^{\alpha} \underline{u}(r), \max^{\alpha} \underline{v}(r)) \text{ for all } x \in^{\alpha} \underline{u}(r) \text{ and for all } y \in^{\alpha} \underline{v}(r)$ Thus max  $I({}^{\alpha}\underline{u}(r), {}^{\alpha}\underline{v}(r)) \leq I(\min^{\alpha} \underline{u}(r), \max^{\alpha} \underline{v}(r))$ Similarly  $I(x, y) \leq I(\min^{\alpha} \overline{u}(r), \max^{\alpha} \overline{v}(r)) \text{ for all } x \in^{\alpha} \overline{u}(r) \text{ and for all } y \in^{\alpha} \overline{v}(r)$   $\Rightarrow \max I({}^{\alpha}\overline{u}(r), {}^{\alpha}\overline{v}(r)) \leq I(\min^{\alpha} \overline{u}(r), \max^{\alpha} \overline{v}(r))$ and  $I(x, y) \leq I(\max^{\alpha} \underline{u}(r), \min^{\alpha} \underline{v}(r)) \text{ for all } x \in^{\alpha} \underline{u}(r) \text{ and for all } y \in^{\alpha} \underline{v}(r)$   $\Rightarrow \min I({}^{\alpha}\underline{u}(r), {}^{\alpha}\overline{v}(r)) \leq I(\max^{\alpha} \underline{u}(r), \min^{\alpha} \underline{v}(r))$ And  $I(x, y) \leq I(\max^{\alpha} \overline{u}(r), \min^{\alpha} \overline{v}(r)) \text{ for all } x \in^{\alpha} \overline{u}(r) \text{ and for all } y \in^{\alpha} \overline{v}(r)$  $\Rightarrow \min I({}^{\alpha}\overline{u}(r), {}^{\alpha}\overline{v}(r)) \leq I(\max^{\alpha} \overline{u}(r), \min^{\alpha} \overline{v}(r))$ 

**Proposition 3.3.** Let us consider  $u, v \in \mathfrak{F}[L]$  and let *I* be a discrete implication function on the finite chain *L*. There exists a unique discrete fuzzy number whose  $\alpha$ -cuts are the  $\alpha C_{(r)} = \{z \in L/\min I[\alpha \underline{u}(r), \alpha \underline{v}(r)] \le z \le \max I[\alpha \underline{u}(r), \alpha \underline{v}(r)]$  exactly the sets Denoted by  $\mathfrak{T}(u, v)$  moreover  $\mathfrak{T}(u, v) \in [L]$ .

**Proof:** To prove that the sets  ${}^{\alpha}C_{(r)}$  satisfy the four conditions of the Wange's theorem (theorem 2.12 and 2.13)

(i) For each  $\alpha \in [0,1]$ ,  ${}^{\alpha}C_{(r)}$  is a non empty finite set , because of  ${}^{\alpha}u$  and  ${}^{\alpha}v$  are both non empty finite sets(the discrete fuzzy numbers are normal fuzzy subsets) βC

(ii) 
$$C_{(r)} \subseteq C_{(r)}$$
 for any  $\alpha, \beta \in [0,1]$  with  $0 \le \alpha \le \beta \le 1$  Because if  $u, v \in \mathfrak{F}[L]$  then  
 $\beta u \subseteq \alpha u$  implies  $\min(\alpha \underline{u}(r)) \le \min(\beta \underline{u}(r))$  (1)  
 $\min(\alpha \overline{u}(r)) \le \min(\beta \overline{u}(r))$  (2)

And 
$$\max(^{\alpha}\underline{u}(r)) \le \max(^{\beta}\underline{u}(r))$$
 (3)

$$\max(^{\alpha}u(r)) \le \max(^{\beta}u(r)) \tag{4}$$

$$\min({}^{\alpha}v(r)) \le \min({}^{\beta}v(r)) \tag{5}$$

$$\max({}^{\alpha}\bar{v}(r)) \le \max({}^{\beta}\bar{v}(r)) \tag{6}$$

Moreover, as I is decreasing in the first variable using relation(3),(4) to get

$$I(\max^{\alpha} \underline{u}(r), z) \le I(\max^{\beta} \underline{u}(r), z)$$
(7)

$$I(\max^{\alpha} \overline{u}(r), z) \le I(\max^{\beta} \overline{u}(r), z) \text{ for all } z \in L$$
(8)

 $\alpha C$ 

$$I[\max^{\alpha} \underline{u}(r), \min^{\alpha} \underline{v}(r)] \le I[\max^{\beta} \underline{u}(r), \min^{\beta} \underline{v}(r)]$$

$$(9)$$

$$I[\max^{\alpha} \overline{u}(r), \min^{\alpha} \overline{v}(r)] \le I[\max^{\beta} \overline{u}(r), \min^{\beta} \overline{v}(r)]$$
Thus, from lemma(3.2)
$$(10)$$

$$\min I[\stackrel{\alpha}{\underline{u}}(r), \stackrel{\alpha}{\underline{v}}(r)] \le \min I[\stackrel{\beta}{\underline{u}}(r), \stackrel{\beta}{\underline{v}}(r)]$$
(11)

$$\min I[\overset{\alpha}{\overline{u}}(r), \overset{\alpha}{\overline{v}}(r)] \le \min I[\overset{\beta}{\overline{u}}(r), \overset{\beta}{\overline{v}}(r)]$$
(12)  
Similarly

$$\max I[\stackrel{\alpha}{\underline{u}(r)}, \stackrel{\alpha}{\underline{v}(r)}] \le \max I[\stackrel{\beta}{\underline{u}(r)}, \stackrel{\beta}{\underline{v}(r)}]$$
(13)

$$\max I[\stackrel{\alpha}{}_{u(r)}, \stackrel{\alpha}{}_{v(r)}] \le \max I[\stackrel{\beta}{}_{u(r)}, \stackrel{\beta}{}_{v(r)}]$$

$$(14)$$
Comparing (11) (12) and (13) (14)

Comparing (11),(12)and(13),(14) <sup> $\beta$ </sup> C ={  $z \in L / \min I[\beta \underline{u}(r), \beta \underline{v}(r)] \le z \le \max I[\beta \underline{u}(r), \beta \underline{v}(r)],$  $\min I[\stackrel{\beta}{u}(r), \stackrel{\beta}{v}(r)] \le z \le \max I[\stackrel{\beta}{u}(r), \stackrel{\beta}{v}(r)] \ge \{z \in L / \min I[\stackrel{\alpha}{u}(r), \stackrel{\alpha}{v}(r)] \le z \le L$  $\max I[^{\alpha}\underline{u}(r),^{\alpha}\underline{v}(r)],$  $\min I[\overset{\alpha}{\overline{u}(r)}, \overset{\alpha}{\overline{v}(r)}] \le z \le \max I[\overset{\alpha}{\overline{u}(r)}, \overset{\alpha}{\overline{v}(r)}] = \overset{\alpha}{C}_{(r)}$ Therefore  ${}^{\beta}C_{(r)} \subseteq {}^{\alpha}C_{(r)}$ (i) If  $x \in {}^{\beta}C_{(r)} - {}^{\alpha}C_{(r)}$  then  $x \in L$  and x does not belong to  ${}^{\beta}C_{(r)}$  hence either  $x < I[\max^{\beta} \underline{u}(r), \min^{\beta} \underline{v}(r)], x < I[\max^{\beta} \overline{u}(r), \min^{\beta} \overline{v}(r)]$  which is minimum of  ${}^{\beta}C_{(r)}$ (or)

$$x > I[\max^{\beta} \underline{u}(r), \min^{\beta} \underline{v}(r)], x > I[\max^{\beta} \overline{u}(r), \min^{\beta} \overline{v}(r)] \text{ which is maximum of } {}^{\beta}C_{(r)}$$
(ii) As  $u, v \in \mathfrak{F}[L]$ , according to theorem 2.11 for each  $\alpha \in [0,1]$  there exists real numbers  
 $\alpha_{1}^{\prime} \text{ and } \alpha_{2}^{\prime} \text{ with } 0 < \alpha_{1}^{\prime} < \alpha \text{ and } 0 < \alpha_{2}^{\prime} < \alpha \text{ such that for each } \alpha \in [\alpha_{1}^{\prime}, \alpha]$   
 $\alpha_{1}^{\prime} (r) = {}^{r} \underline{u}(r) \text{ and } \alpha_{1}^{\prime} < \alpha \text{ and } 0 < \alpha_{2}^{\prime} < \alpha \text{ such that for each } \alpha \in [\alpha_{1}^{\prime}, \alpha]$   
 $\alpha_{1}^{\prime} (r) = {}^{r} \underline{u}(r) \text{ and } \alpha_{1}^{\prime} < \alpha \text{ and } 0 < \alpha_{2}^{\prime} < \alpha \text{ such that for each } \alpha \in [\alpha_{1}^{\prime}, \alpha]$   
 $\alpha_{1}^{\prime} (r) = {}^{r} \underline{u}(r) \text{ and } \alpha_{1}^{\prime} (r) = {}^{r} \overline{u}(r) \text{ moreover}$   
 $\alpha_{1}^{\prime} (r) = {}^{r} \underline{u}(r) \text{ and } \alpha_{1}^{\prime} (r) = {}^{r} \overline{v}(r) \text{ for each } \alpha \in [\alpha_{2}^{\prime}, \alpha]$   
Thus if  $\alpha' = \alpha_{1}^{\prime} \vee \alpha_{2}^{\prime}$  to get  
 $\min^{(r} \underline{u}(r)) = \min^{(\alpha} \underline{u}(r)) \text{ and } \max^{(r} \underline{u}(r) = \max^{(\alpha} \underline{u}(r))$   
 $\min^{(r} \overline{u}(r)) = \min^{(\alpha} \overline{u}(r)) \text{ and } \max^{(r} \overline{u}(r) = \max^{(\alpha} \overline{u}(r))$   
 $\min^{(r} \overline{v}(r)) = \min^{(\alpha} \overline{v}(r)) \text{ and } \max^{(r} \overline{v}(r) = \max^{(\alpha} \overline{v}(r))$   
 $\min^{(r} \overline{v}(r)) = \min^{(\alpha} \overline{v}(r)) \text{ and } \max^{(r} \overline{v}(r) = \max^{(\alpha} \overline{v}(r)) \text{ for each } \alpha \in [\alpha', \alpha]$   
 $I[\max^{r} \underline{u}(r), \min^{r} \underline{v}(r)] = I[\max^{\alpha} \underline{u}(r), \min^{\alpha} \underline{v}(r)]$ 

 $I[\max^{r} \overline{u}(r), \min^{r} \overline{v}(r)] = I[\max^{\alpha} \overline{u}(r), \min^{\alpha} \overline{v}(r)]$ 

$$I[\min' \underline{u}(r), \max' \underline{v}(r)] = I[\min^{a} \underline{u}(r), \max^{a} \underline{v}(r)]$$

Hence by lemma 3.1,

 $\min I[{}^{r}\underline{u}(r), {}^{r}\underline{v}(r)] = \min I[{}^{\alpha}\underline{u}(r), {}^{\alpha}\underline{v}(r)]$   $\min I[{}^{r}\overline{u}(r), {}^{r}\overline{v}(r)] = \min I[{}^{\alpha}\overline{u}(r), {}^{\alpha}\overline{v}(r)]$   $\max I[{}^{r}\underline{u}(r), {}^{r}\overline{v}(r)] = \max I[{}^{\alpha}\overline{u}(r), {}^{\alpha}\overline{v}(r)]$   $\max I[{}^{r}\overline{u}(r), {}^{r}\overline{v}(r)] = \max I[{}^{\alpha}\overline{u}(r), {}^{\alpha}\overline{v}(r)]$ And so  ${}^{r}C = \{ z \in L/\min I[{}^{r}\underline{u}(r), {}^{r}\underline{v}(r)] \le z \le \max I[{}^{r}\underline{u}(r), {}^{r}\underline{v}(r)],$  $\min I[{}^{r}\overline{u}(r), {}^{r}\overline{v}(r)] \le z \le \max I[{}^{r}\overline{u}(r), {}^{r}\overline{v}(r)] \} = \{ z \in L/\min I[{}^{\alpha}\underline{u}(r), {}^{\alpha}\underline{v}(r)] \le z \le \max I[{}^{\alpha}\overline{u}(r), {}^{\alpha}\overline{v}(r)] \} = {}^{\alpha}C \text{ for each } \alpha \in [\alpha', \alpha]$ 

As the sets  ${}^{\alpha}C$  fulfill for each  $\alpha \in [0,1]$  the conditions stated in theorem 2.11 by theorem 2.12 there exits a unique discrete number, that will be denoted by I(u, v) such that its  $\alpha$ -cuts are exactly these sets.

Further, from the construction of the sets  ${}^{\alpha}C$  for each  $\alpha \in [0,1]$  it is straight forward to see that are sets of consecutive natural numbers belonging to the finite chain *L*. Thus  $I(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) \in [L]$ .

The previous proposition will allow us to define a binary operation I on  $\mathfrak{F}[L]$  from an implication function I defined on the finite chain L.

**Definition 3.4.** Let us consider an implication function *I* on the finite chain *L*. The binary operation on [*L*] defined as follows  $I : [L] \times \mathfrak{F}[L] \longrightarrow \mathfrak{F}[L]$ 

 $(u, v) \mapsto I(u, v)$  will be called the extension of the discrete implication I to  $\mathfrak{F}[L]$ , being I(u, v) the discrete fuzzy number whose  $\alpha$ -cuts are the sets

 $\{ z \in L/\min I[\overset{\alpha}{\underline{u}}(r), \overset{\alpha}{\underline{v}}(r)] \le z \le \max I[\overset{\alpha}{\underline{u}}(r), \overset{\alpha}{\underline{v}}(r)], \\\min I[\overset{\alpha}{\overline{u}}(r), \overset{\alpha}{\overline{v}}(r)] \le z \le \max I[\overset{\alpha}{\overline{u}}(r), \overset{\alpha}{\overline{v}}(r)] \} \text{for each}$ 

**Theorem 3.5.** Let *I* be an implication function on *L*. Then the extension of the discrete implication function I, I is an implication function on  $\mathcal{F}[L]$ .

**Proof:** To show this result, prove all the conditions stated in definition 2.1.Let us consider the  $u, v \in \mathfrak{F}[L]$ . To see that *I* is decreasing in the first variable, (ie) if  $u \leq v$  then  $\mathfrak{T}(u, w) \geq \mathfrak{T}(v, w)$  for all  $w \in \mathfrak{F}[L]$ .

According to remark 2.13 is equivalent to prove that  $\min(\mathfrak{T}^{\alpha}(v, w), \mathfrak{T}^{\alpha}(u, w)) = \mathfrak{T}$ 

$$\alpha(v, w)$$
 for all  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ 

As  $u \leq v$  then  $\min^{\alpha} \underline{u}(r) \leq \min^{\alpha} \underline{v}(r)$ ,  $\min^{\alpha} \overline{u}(r) \leq \min^{\alpha} \overline{v}(r)$  and

$$\max^{\alpha} \underline{u}(r) \leq \max^{\alpha} \underline{v}(r)$$

 $\max^{\alpha} \overline{u}(r) \le \max^{\alpha} \overline{v}(r)$ 

Thus as *I* is an implication function on *L*. it is a decreasing function in the first variable then by **Lemma3.2**.

$$\min I[{}^{\alpha}\underline{u}(r), {}^{\alpha}\underline{w}(r)] = I[\max^{\alpha}\underline{u}(r), \min^{\alpha}\underline{w}(r)]$$
  

$$\geq [\max^{\alpha}\underline{v}(r), \min^{\alpha}\underline{w}(r)]$$
  

$$= \min I[{}^{\alpha}v(r), {}^{\alpha}w(r)]$$

Analogously, max  $I[{}^{\alpha}\underline{u}(r), {}^{\alpha}\underline{w}(r)] = I[\min^{\alpha}\underline{u}(r), \max^{\alpha}\underline{w}(r)]$   $\geq [\min^{\alpha}\underline{v}(r), \max^{\alpha}\underline{w}(r)]$   $= \max I[{}^{\alpha}\underline{v}(r), {}^{\alpha}\underline{w}(r)] \qquad (16)$ Finally using the relations (15) and (16)  $I^{\alpha}(\underline{u}(r), \underline{w}(r)) = \{z \in L / \min I({}^{\alpha}\underline{u}(r), {}^{\alpha}\underline{w}(r)) \le z \le \max I({}^{\alpha}\underline{u}(r), {}^{\alpha}\underline{w}(r))\}$   $\geq \{z \in L / \min I({}^{\alpha}\underline{v}(r), {}^{\alpha}\underline{w}(r)) \le z \le \max I({}^{\alpha}\underline{v}(r), {}^{\alpha}\underline{w}(r))\}$   $= I^{\alpha}(v(r), w(r)) \text{ for each } \alpha \in [0, 1]$ The increasing pass with the second variable follows

(15)

=  $I^{\alpha}(\underline{v}(r), \underline{w}(r))$  for each  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$  The increasing ness with the second variable follows similarly.

With respect to the boundary conditions

 $I^{\alpha}(O(r), O(r)) = \{z \in L / \min I(^{\alpha}O(r), ^{\alpha}O(r)) \le z \le \max I(^{\alpha}O(r), ^{\alpha}O(r))\}$ = {n}= <sup>\alpha</sup> N Because of min I(^{\alpha}O(r), ^{\alpha}O(r)) = max I(^{\alpha}O(r), ^{\alpha}O(r)) = n for each \alpha \in [0,1] Then I(O(r), O(r)) = N The other two conditions I(N, N) = N and I(N, O) = 0 follows similarly.

 $\begin{aligned} & \textbf{Example 3.6. Let us consider the chin } L_6 \text{ and } A = \{\frac{0.3}{0}, \frac{0.5}{1}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{0.8}{3}, \frac{0.5}{4}\}, \\ & B = \{\frac{0.6}{2}, \frac{0.8}{3}, \frac{0.9}{4}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{0.8}{6}\} \text{ belonging to } [L_6] \text{consider the function} \\ & I(x, y) = \{\begin{array}{l} y - x & \text{if } y \geq x \\ 0 & \text{if } x > y \end{array} \right. \\ & \overset{0.3}{u} = \{0\}, & \overset{0.3}{u} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, \overset{0.3}{v} = \{\}, \\ & \overset{0.5}{u} = \{0, 1, 4\}, & \overset{0.5}{u} = \{2, 3\}, & \overset{0.5}{v} = \{\}, \\ & \overset{0.6}{u} = \{0, 1, 4\}, & \overset{0.6}{u} = \{2, 3\}, & \overset{0.6}{v} y = \{2\}, \\ & \overset{0.8}{u} = \{0, 1, 3, 4\}, & \overset{0.9}{u} = \{2\}, & \overset{0.9}{v} y = \{2, 3, 6\}, \\ & \overset{0.9}{u} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}, \overset{0.9}{u} = \{2\}, & \overset{0.9}{v} y = \{2, 3, 6\}, \\ & \overset{0.3}{v} = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}, \\ & \overset{0.5}{v} = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}, \\ & \overset{0.6}{v} v = \{3, 4, 5, 6\}, \\ & \overset{0.6}{v} v = \{4, 5\} \\ & \overset{0.9}{v} v = \{5\}, \\ & \overset{1}{u} u = \{\}, \\ & I^{\alpha}(\underline{u}(r), \underline{v}(r)) = 0 I^{0.6}(\underline{u}(r), \underline{v}(r)) = 1 \leq z \leq 2 \\ & I^{0.5}(\underline{u}(r), \underline{v}(r)) = 0, 1, 4 I^{0.8}(\underline{u}(r), \underline{v}(r)) = 0 \leq z \leq 3 \& 5 \leq z \leq 6 \\ & I^{1}(\underline{u}(r), \underline{v}(r)) = 0 \leq z \leq 4 I^{0.9}(\underline{u}(r), \underline{v}(r)) = 0 \leq z \leq 6 \end{aligned} \end{aligned}$ 

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