



# A study of functors associated with fuzzy modules

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## ABSTRACT

In this paper first we construct a functor then we study this functor as well as we investigate this functor associated with fuzzy modules.

In this paper we show that:-

- 1.the  $R$ -modules and  $R$ -homomorphisms form a category, where  $R$  be a ring. This category is denoted by ' $CM$ ';
- 2.the fuzzy left  $R$ -module and fuzzy  $R$ -map form a category. This category is denoted by ' $CF$ ';
3. $\Omega: 'CM' \rightarrow 'CF'$  is an covariant functor;
- 4.is also a homotopy type invariant functor.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The concept of fuzzy modules was introduced by Negoita and Ralescu [1] and the category of fuzzy sets was introduced by Goguen[2] in 1967. In this paper we establish the function spaces associated with fuzzy modules.

To do this we recall the following definitions and statements.

**Definition 1.1**

Let  $R$  be a ring and  $M$  be left or right  $R$ -module.  $(M, \lambda)$  is called a **fuzzy left  $R$ -module** if there is a map  $\lambda : M \rightarrow [0, 1]$  satisfying the following conditions:

- i)  $\lambda(a+b) \geq \min\{\lambda(a), \lambda(b)\}, (\forall a, b \in M)$
- ii)  $\lambda(-a) = \lambda(a), \forall a \in M$
- iii)  $\lambda(0) = 1$
- iv)  $\lambda(ra) = \lambda(a) (\forall a \in M, r \in R)$

We write  $(M, \lambda)$  by  $\lambda_M$

**Definition 1.2**

Let  $\lambda_M$  and  $\eta_N$  be arbitrary fuzzy left  $R$ -modules. A **fuzzy  $R$ -map**

$\tilde{f} : \lambda_M \rightarrow \eta_N$  should satisfy the following conditions.

- i)  $f : M \rightarrow N$  is an  $R$ -map,
- ii)  $\eta(f(a)) \geq \lambda(a), \forall a \in M$

**Definition 1.3**

Let  $f : M \rightarrow N$  and  $\mu$  be a fuzzy subset of  $N$ . The fuzzy subset  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  of  $M$  defined as follows; for all  $x \in M$ ,  $f^{-1}(\mu)(x) = \mu(f(x))$  is called fuzzy preimage of  $\mu$  under  $f$ .

**Definition 1.4**

A fuzzy submodules of  $M$  is a fuzzy subset of  $M$  such that

- i)  $\mu(0) = 1$
- ii)  $\mu(rx) \geq \mu(x), \forall r \in R$  and  $\forall x \in M$
- iii)  $\mu(x+y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}, \forall x, y \in M$

**Definition 1.5**

A fuzzy  $R$ -map  $\tilde{f} \in \text{Hom}(\lambda_M, \eta_P)$  is called fuzzy split iff there exists some  $\tilde{g} \in \text{Hom}(\eta_P, \lambda_M)$  such that  $\tilde{f}\tilde{g} = \tilde{I}_P$  and  $\tilde{g}\tilde{f} = \tilde{I}_M$ ,

**Definition 1.6**

A category  $C$  consists of

- (a) a class of objects  $X, Y, Z, \dots$ , denoted by  $\text{Ob}(C)$ ;
- (b) for each ordered pair of objects  $X, Y$  a set of morphisms with domain  $X$  and range  $Y$  denoted by  $C(X, Y)$ ;
- (c) for each order triple of objects  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  and a pair of morphisms  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  and  $g : Y \rightarrow Z$  their composite is denoted by  $g \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$ , satisfying the following two axioms:
  - i) associativity : if  $f \in C(X, Y)$  and  $g \in C(Y, Z)$  and  $h \in C(Z, W)$ , then  $h(g \circ f) = (h \circ g) \circ f \in C(X, W)$
  - ii) identity : for each object  $Y$  in  $C$  there is a morphism  $I_Y \in C(Y, Y)$  such that if  $f \in C(X, Y)$  then  $I_Y \circ f = f$  and if  $h \in C(Y, Z)$ , then  $h \circ I_Y = h$ .

**Definition 1.7**

Let  $C$  and  $D$  be categories. A covariant functor  $T$  from  $C$  to  $D$  consists of

- i) an object function which assigns to every object  $X$  of  $C$  an object  $T(X)$  of  $D$ ; and
- ii) a morphism function which assigns to every morphism  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  in  $C$  a morphism  $T(f) : T(X) \rightarrow T(Y)$  in  $D$  such that
  - a)  $T(I_X) = I_{T(X)}$
  - b)  $T(g \circ f) = T(g) \circ T(f)$ , for  $g : Y \rightarrow W$  in  $C$ .

**Definition 1.8**

A base point preserving continuous map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a homotopy equivalence if there is a base point preserving continuous map  $g : Y \rightarrow X$  with  $g \circ f \simeq I_X$  and  $f \circ g \simeq I_Y$ .

**Lemma 1.9**

Let  $\text{Hom}(\lambda_M, \eta_N)$  denotes the set of all fuzzy  $R$ -maps from  $\lambda_M$  to  $\eta_N$ , then  $\text{Hom}(\lambda_M, \eta_N)$  is an additive group. Moreover, if  $R$  is a commutative ring, then  $\text{Hom}(\lambda_M, \eta_N)$  is a left  $R$ -modules.

Proof: Using [10], it follows.

### Lemma 1.10

For a commutative ring  $R$ ,  $R$ -modules  $M$  and  $N$ ,  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  is an  $R$ -module

Proof: Using [2], it follows.

### Lemma 1.11

Let  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  denotes the set of all fuzzy  $R$ -maps from  $R$ -modules  $M$  to  $R$ -modules  $N$ , then  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  is an  $R$ -module, if  $R$  is a commutative ring

Proof

Using definition 1.1 and [7], it follows

### Lemma 1.12

Given a fixed  $R$ -module  $M$ , the  $R$ -homomorphism  $f: N \rightarrow P$  induces

- an  $R$ -homomorphism  $f_*: \text{Hom}(M, N) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(M, P)$  defined by  $f_*(\alpha) = f \circ \alpha, \forall \alpha \in \text{Hom}(M, N)$
- an  $R$ -homomorphism  $f^*: \text{Hom}(P, M) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(N, M)$  defined by  $f^*(\beta) = \beta \circ f, \forall \beta \in \text{Hom}(P, M)$

Proof:

Using [6,7], it follows

### Lemma 1.13

Let  $M, N, P$  be  $R$ -modules and  $f: M \rightarrow N$  and  $g: N \rightarrow P$  be  $R$ -homomorphisms.

Then for any  $R$ -module  $A$

- $(g \circ f)_*: \text{Hom}(A, M) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(A, P)$  is an  $R$ -homomorphism such that  $(g \circ f)_* = g_* \circ f_*$ ;
- $(g \circ f)^*: \text{Hom}(P, A) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(M, A)$  is an  $R$ -homomorphism such that  $(g \circ f)^* = f^* \circ g^*$ ;

Proof:

Using [6,7], it follows

## 2. CATEGORIES OF FUZZY MODULES

In this section we construct some categories associated with fuzzy modules.

### Proposition 2.1

Let  $R$  be a ring and  $M$  be left or right  $R$ -module. Then  **$R$ -modules** and  **$R$ -homomorphisms** forms a category. This category is denoted by '**CM**'

Proof:

We take all left  $R$ -modules of '**CM**' as the set of objects and the set of their  $R$ -homomorphisms, the set of morphisms  $\text{Hom}(M, N)$  and for every pair of objects  $(M, N)$  and  $(N, P)$ , the compositions  $\text{Hom}(M, N) \times \text{Hom}(N, P)$ , denoted by

$(f, g) = g \circ f$ , where  $f \in \text{Hom}(M, N)$  and  $g \in \text{Hom}(N, P)$ , satisfying the following axioms:

- for any object  $M \in \text{obj. 'CM'}$ , there exists an identity morphism  $I_M \in \text{Hom}(M, M)$ ;
- associativity of the composition holds.

### Proposition 2.2

Let  $R$  be a ring and  $M$  be left or right  $R$ -module. Then **fuzzy left  $R$ -module** and **fuzzy  $R$ -map** forms a category. This category is denoted by '**CF**'

Proof:

We take all elements of '**CF**' as the set of objects and the set of their fuzzy  $R$ -maps, the set of morphisms  $\text{Hom}(\lambda_M, \eta_N)$  and for every pair of objects  $(\lambda_M, \eta_N)$  and  $(\lambda_N, \eta_P)$ , the compositions  $\text{Hom}(\lambda_M, \eta_N) \times \text{Hom}(\lambda_N, \eta_P)$ , denoted by  $(\tilde{f}, \tilde{g}) = \tilde{g} \cdot \tilde{f} = \tilde{g} \circ \tilde{f}$ , where  $\tilde{f} \in \text{Hom}(\lambda_M, \eta_N)$  and  $\tilde{g} \in \text{Hom}(\lambda_N, \eta_P)$ , satisfying the following axioms:

- a) for any object  $\lambda_M \in \text{obj. 'CM'}$ , there exists an identity morphism  $\tilde{I}_M \in \text{Hom}(\lambda_M, \lambda_M)$   
 b) associativity of the composition holds.

### Proposition 2.3

Let  $M$  and  $N$  be arbitrary fuzzy left  $R$ -modules. A fuzzy  $R$ -map  $f: M \rightarrow N$  is an fuzzy  $R$ -homomorphism, then for any fuzzy sub-module  $S$  of  $N$ , then

- i)  $f(O_M) = O_N$  and  $f(-x) = -f(x)$ ,  $\forall x \in M$ ; and  
 ii) the set  $f^{-1}(S) = \{x \in M: f(x) \in S\}$  is a fuzzy sub-module of  $M$ .

Proof:

- i) Now  $f(O_M) = f(O_M + O_M) = f(O_M) + f(O_M) \Rightarrow f(O_M) = O_N$ .

Again  $f(O_M) = f(x + (-x)) = f(x) + f(-x) = O_N \Rightarrow f(-x) = -f(x)$ .

- ii) Since  $f(O_M) = O_N \in S \Rightarrow O_M \in f^{-1}(S) \Rightarrow f^{-1}(S) \neq \Phi$ . Let  $x, y \in f^{-1}(S) \Rightarrow f(x), f(y) \in S \Rightarrow$

$f(x-y) = f(x) - f(y) \in S$ , since  $S$  is a submodule of  $N \Rightarrow x-y \in f^{-1}(S)$ . Similarly, for  $r \in R$  and  $x \in f^{-1}(S)$ ,  $rx \in f^{-1}(S) \Rightarrow f^{-1}(S)$  is a submodule of  $M$ . Since  $M$  is a fuzzy modules and hence by **definition 1.1 and 1.4**, it follows that  $f^{-1}(S)$  is a submodule of  $M$ .

### Proposition 2.4

Let **CF** denotes the category of fuzzy  $R$ -modules and fuzzy  $R$ -maps and **CM** denotes the category of  $R$ -modules and  $R$ -homomorphisms, then there exists a covariant functor

$\lambda: \mathbf{CM} \rightarrow \mathbf{CF}$

Proof:

Define  $\lambda: \mathbf{CM} \rightarrow \mathbf{CF}$  by

$\lambda(M) = (M, \lambda) = \lambda_M$ , which is the object of **CF**

Let  $M, N$  are two  $R$ -modules in **CM** and  $f: M \rightarrow N$  be  $R$ -homomorphisms in **CM**, then

$\lambda(f): \lambda(M) \rightarrow \lambda(N)$  in **CF**.

$\lambda(f)(\alpha) = \alpha \cdot f^{-1}$ ,  $\forall \alpha$  in  $\lambda(M)$

- i)  $\alpha(a+b) \geq \min\{\alpha(a), \alpha(b)\}$ , ( $\forall a, b \in M$ )  
 ii)  $\alpha(-a) = \alpha(a)$ ,  $\forall a \in M$   
 iii)  $\alpha(0) = 1$   
 iv)  $\alpha(ra) = \alpha(a)$  ( $\forall a \in M, r \in R$ )

Let  $\mu$  in  $N$ , then  $f^{-1}(\mu)(x) = \mu(f(x)) \Rightarrow \alpha_1(f^{-1}(\mu))(x) = \alpha_1(\mu f(x)) = (\alpha_1 \mu)(f(x))$   
 $\Rightarrow \alpha_2(f^{-1}(\mu))(x) = \alpha_2(\mu f(x)) = \alpha_2 \mu(f(x))$

Thus  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 \Rightarrow \alpha_1 \cdot f^{-1} = \alpha_2 \cdot f^{-1} \Rightarrow \lambda(f)(\alpha_1) = \lambda(f)(\alpha_2)$

Let  $f: M \rightarrow N$  and  $g: N \rightarrow P$  are in **CM**, then  $\lambda(f): \lambda(M) \rightarrow \lambda(N)$ ,

$\lambda(g): \lambda(N) \rightarrow \lambda(P)$  and  $\text{gof}: M \rightarrow P$  are in **CM**.

Now  $\lambda(g \circ f): \lambda(M) \rightarrow \lambda(P)$  by  $\lambda(g \cdot f)(\alpha) = \alpha(gf)^{-1} = \alpha(f^{-1} \cdot g^{-1}) = (\alpha f^{-1}) g^{-1} = (\lambda(f)(\alpha)) g^{-1} = \lambda(f)(\alpha g^{-1}) = (\lambda(f) \lambda(g))(\alpha)$  are in **CF**, also

$\lambda(g) \lambda(f): \lambda(M) \rightarrow \lambda(P)$  in **CF**  $\Rightarrow$

$\lambda(g \circ f) = \lambda(g) \lambda(f)$ .

Also  $\lambda(I_M) = I_{\lambda(M)} \Rightarrow \lambda: \mathbf{CM} \rightarrow \mathbf{CF}$  is a covariant functor

### Proposition 2.5

Let  $R$  be a ring and  $M$  be a fixed  $R$ -module, then  $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$  is a fuzzy  $R$ -module, for any  $R$ -module  $N$ .

**Proof**

Using Definition 1.1 and [7], it follows.

### Proposition 2.6

Let  $R$  be a ring and  $M$  be a fixed  $R$ -module, the  $R$ -homomorphism  $f: N \rightarrow P$  induces

- i) an fuzzy  $R$ -homomorphism  $f_*: \text{Hom}_R(M, N) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, P)$  and  
 ii) an fuzzy  $R$ -homomorphism  $f^*: \text{Hom}_R(P, M) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(N, M)$

Proof: Using Definition 1.1 and Lemma 1.12, it follows.

### Corollary 2.7

For any fixed  $R$ -module  $M$ , the fuzzy  $R$  module  $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$  and their fuzzy  $R$ -homomorphisms forms category, for any  $R$ -module  $N$ ; this category is denoted by 'CF'

Proof

Using Proposition 2.6 and Lemma 1.12(a), it follows

### Proposition 2.8

'Hom<sub>R</sub>' is a invariant functor in the sense that it is both a covariant and a contravariant functor

Hom<sub>R</sub> : CM → CM is an invariant functor, for any fixed R-module M.

Proof:

Define Hom<sub>R</sub> : CM → CF by

Hom<sub>R</sub>(N) = Hom<sub>R</sub>(M, N), for any fixed R-module M, which is the object of CF.

Let N, P are two R-modules in CM and f: N → P be R-homomorphisms in CM, then

Hom<sub>R</sub>(f) = f\*: Hom<sub>R</sub>(M, N) → Hom<sub>R</sub>(M, P) in CF and f\*: Hom<sub>R</sub>(P, M) → Hom<sub>R</sub>(N, M) are well defined mapping and so by Definition 1.1, Lemma 1.12 and Theorems 2.6, the theorem follows.

### Proposition 2.9

'Hom<sub>R</sub>' is a Homotopy type functor in the sense that if

f is a homotopy equivalence for any two R-modules M and N, then Hom<sub>R</sub>(f) is a isomorphism

Proof:

Since f is a homotopy equivalence for any two R-modules M and N, there exists f: M → N and

g: N → M such that g.f ≅ Id<sub>M</sub> and f.g ≅ Id<sub>N</sub>, then Hom<sub>R</sub>(f): Hom<sub>R</sub>(P, M) → Hom<sub>R</sub>(P, N) and

Hom<sub>R</sub>(f): Hom<sub>R</sub>(N, P) → Hom<sub>R</sub>(M, P) are fuzzy R-homomorphisms, then Hom<sub>R</sub> satisfies the following conditions:

- i)  $f \cong g \Rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(f) = \text{Hom}_R(g)$
- ii)  $g.f \cong \text{Id}_M \Rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(g.f) = \text{Hom}_R(\text{Id}_M) = \text{Id} \Rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(g).\text{Hom}_R(f) = \text{Id}$
- iii)  $f.g \cong \text{Id}_N \Rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(f.g) = \text{Hom}_R(\text{Id}_N) = \text{Id} \Rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(f).\text{Hom}_R(g) = \text{Id}$

Thus Hom<sub>R</sub>(f) is isomorphic to Hom<sub>R</sub>(g)

### Corollary 2.10

Hom<sub>R</sub> is also a Homotopy type invariant functor.

### Proposition 2.11

All homotopy type invariant functors form a function spaces from category CM to the category CF, it is denoted by F<sup>M</sup>.

Proof:

Using the Theorems 2.8, Theorem 2.9 and Theorem 2.10, it follows.

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