

INTERSECTING INTUITIONISTIC FUZZY DIRECTED HYPERGRAPHS

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ABSTRACT

If the edges of the Intuitionistic Fuzzy Directed Hypergraphs (IFDHGs) $H = (V, E)$, are pairwise not disjoint, then H is said to be an intersecting IFDHG. The definitions like essentially intersecting, \diamond – intersecting and sequentially simple intersecting IFDHGs has been defined. Some of its properties have also been analyzed. Also it has been proved that the IFDHG H is strongly intersecting IFDHG if and only if $H^{r_i s_i} \subseteq Tr(H^{r_i s_i})$ for every $H^{r_i s_i} \in C(H)$.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Lotif. A. Zadeh introduced Fuzzy sets (FSs) in 1985[15], which are generalization of crisp sets. K.T. Atanassov introduced the concept of Intuitionistic Fuzzy Sets (IFSs) as an extension of FSs in 1999[1]. These sets include not only the membership of the set but also the non-membership of the set along with the degree of uncertainty. In order to expand the concept in application base, the notion of graph theory was generalized to that of a hypergraph. Claude Berge [2] introduced the concept of graph and hypergraph in 1976. In this paper, a few extensions of concepts in fuzzy hypergraphs by John N. Mordeson and Premchand S. Nair [3] have been carried out.

The paper has been organized as follows:

Section 2 deals with the definitions of fuzzy hypergraph, intuitionistic fuzzy hypergraph, IFDHG and the notations used in this paper. In section 3, a study is made on essentially intersecting, \diamond – intersecting and sequentially simple intersecting IFDHGs. Some properties of newly proposed hypergraph concepts are also discussed and it has been proved that H is strongly intersecting if and only if $H^{r_i s_i}$ is intersecting IFDHG, $\forall \langle r_i, s_i \rangle \in F(H)$. Section 4, concludes the paper.

2. PRELIMINARIES

The notations used in this work are listed below:

$H = (V, E)$	- IFDHG with vertex set V and edge set E
$\langle \mu_i, \nu_i \rangle$	- degrees of membership and non-membership of the vertex
$\langle \mu_{ij}, \nu_{ij} \rangle$	- degrees of membership and non-membership of the edges
$\langle \mu_{ij}(v_i), \nu_{ij}(v_i) \rangle$	- degrees of membership and non-membership of the edges containing v_i
$h(H)$	- Height of a hypergraph H
$F(H)$	- Fundamental sequence of H
$C(H)$	- Core set of H
$H^{(r_i s_i)}$	- $\langle r_i, s_i \rangle$ - level of H
$IF_p(v)$	- IF power set of V
$Tr(H)$	- Intuitionistic fuzzy transversals (IFT) of H

$Tr(H^{r_i, s_i})$ - $\langle r_i, s_i \rangle$ - level of $Tr(H)$
 H^\square - Skeleton of H

In this section, definitions of intuitionistic fuzzy set, intuitionistic fuzzy graph, IFDHG has been dealt with.

Definition 2.1: [1] Let a set E be fixed. An *intuitionistic fuzzy set (IFS)* V in E is an object of the form $V = \{(v_i, \mu_i(v_i), \nu_i(v_i)) / v_i \in E\}$, where the function $\mu_i : E \rightarrow [0, 1]$ and $\nu_i : E \rightarrow [0, 1]$ determine the degree of membership and the degree of non-membership of the element $v_i \in E$, respectively and for every $v_i \in E$, $0 \leq \mu_i(v_i) + \nu_i(v_i) \leq 1$.

Definition 2.2: [14] Let E be fixed set and $V = \{(v_i, \mu_i(v_i), \nu_i(v_i)) / v_i \in E\}$, be an IFS. Six types of Cartesian products of n subsets¹ V_1, V_2, \dots, V_n of V over E are defined as

$$\begin{aligned} V_1 \times_1 V_2 \times_1 \dots \times_1 V_n &= \{((v_1, v_2 \dots v_n), \prod_{i=1}^n \mu_i, \prod_{i=1}^n \nu_i) | v_1 \in V_1, v_2 \in V_2 \dots v_n \in V_n\}, \\ V_{i_1} \times_2 V_{i_2} \times_2 \dots \times_2 V_{i_n} &= \{((v_1, v_2 \dots v_n), \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i - \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i \mu_j - \sum_{i \neq j \neq k} \mu_i \mu_j \mu_k - \dots + (-1)^{n-2} \sum_{i \neq j \neq k \dots n} \mu_i \mu_j \mu_k \dots \mu_n + (-1)^{n-1} \prod_{i=1}^n \mu_i, \prod_{i=1}^n \nu_i) | v_1 \in V_1, v_2 \in V_2, \dots v_n \in V_n\} \\ V_{i_1} \times_3 V_{i_2} \times_3 \dots \times_3 V_{i_n} &= \left\{ ((v_1, v_2 \dots v_n), \prod_{i=1}^n \mu_i, \sum_{i=1}^n \nu_i - \sum_{i \neq j} \nu_i \nu_j + \sum_{i \neq j \neq k} \nu_i \nu_j \nu_k - \dots + (-1)^{n-2} \sum_{i \neq j \neq k \dots n} \nu_i \nu_j \nu_k \dots \nu_n + (-1)^{n-1} \prod_{i=1}^n \nu_i) \mid v_1 \in V_1, v_2 \in V_2, \dots v_n \in V_n \right\} \\ V_{i_1} \times_4 V_{i_2} \times_4 \dots \times_4 V_{i_n} &= \{((v_1, v_2 \dots v_n), \min(\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n), \max(\nu_1, \nu_2, \dots, \nu_n)) | v_1 \in V_1, v_2 \in V_2, \dots v_n \in V_n\} \\ V_{i_1} \times_5 V_{i_2} \times_5 \dots \times_5 V_{i_n} &= \{((v_1, v_2 \dots v_n), \max(\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n), \min(\nu_1, \nu_2, \dots, \nu_n)) | v_1 \in V_1, v_2 \in V_2, \dots v_n \in V_n\} \\ V_{i_1} \times_6 V_{i_2} \times_6 \dots \times_6 V_{i_n} &= \{((v_1, v_2 \dots v_n), \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i}{2}, \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \nu_i}{2}) | v_1 \in V_1, v_2 \in V_2, \dots v_n \in V_n\} \end{aligned}$$

It must be noted that $v_i \times_s v_j$ is an IFS, where $s = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$.

Definition 2.3: [4] An *intuitionistic fuzzy graph (IFG)* is of the form $G = (V, E)$ where (i) $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ such that $\mu : E \rightarrow [0, 1]$ and $\nu : E \rightarrow [0, 1]$ denote the degrees of membership and non-membership of the vertex $v_i \in V$ respectively and

$$0 \leq \mu_i(v_i) + \nu_i(v_i) \leq 1 \quad (1)$$

for every $v_i \in V, i = 1, 2, 3 \dots n$.

(ii) $E \subseteq V \times V$ where $\mu_{ij} : V \times V \rightarrow [0, 1]$ and $\nu_{ij} : V \times V \rightarrow [0, 1]$ are such that

$$\mu_{ij} \leq \mu_i \emptyset \mu_j \quad (2)$$

$$\nu_{ij} \leq \nu_i \emptyset \nu_j \quad (3)$$

$$\text{and } 0 \leq \mu_{ij} + \nu_{ij} \leq 1 \quad (4)$$

¹subsets - crisp sense

where μ_{ij} and ν_{ij} are the degrees of membership and non-membership of the edge (v_i, v_j) ; the values of $\mu_i \emptyset \mu_j$ and $\nu_i \emptyset \nu_j$ can be determined by one of the cartesian products $\times_s, s = 1, 2, 3, \dots, 6$ for all i and j given in Definition 2.2.

Note: Throughout this paper, it is assumed that the fifth Cartesian product in Definition 2.2

$V_{i_1} \times_5 V_{i_2} \times_5 \dots \times_5 V_{i_n} = \{((v_1, v_2 \dots v_n), \max(\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n), \min(\nu_1, \nu_2, \dots, \nu_n)) | v_1 \in V_1, v_2 \in V_2, \dots v_n \in V_n\}$ is used to determine the degrees of membership μ_{ij} and non-membership ν_{ij} of the edge e_{ij} .

Definition 2.4: [5] An *intuitionistic fuzzy hypergraph (IFHG)* is an ordered pair $H = (V, E)$ where

(i) $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$, is a finite set of intuitionistic fuzzy vertices,

(ii) $E = \{E_1, E_2, \dots, E_m\}$ is a family of crisp subsets of V

(iii) $E_j = \{(v_i, \mu_j(v_i), \nu_j(v_i)) : \mu_j(v_i), \nu_j(v_i) \geq 0 \text{ and } \mu_j(v_i), \nu_j(v_i) \leq 1\}, j = 1, 2, \dots, m,$

(iv) $E_j \neq \emptyset, j = 1, 2, 3, \dots, m$.

Here, the hyperedges E_j are crisp sets of intuitionistic fuzzy vertices $\mu_j(v_i)$ and $\nu_j(v_i)$ denote the degrees of membership and non-membership of vertex v_i to edge E_j . Thus, the elements of the incidence matrix of IFHG are of the form $(v_{ij}, \mu_j(v_i), \nu_j(v_i))$. The sets (V, E) are crisp sets.

Note: The support of an IFS V in E is denoted by $\text{supp}(E_j) = \{v_i / \mu_{ij}(v_i) > 0 \text{ and } \nu_{ij}(v_i) > 0\}$.

Definition 2.5: [6] An IFDHG H is a pair (V, E) , where V is a non - empty set of vertices and E is a set of intuitionistic fuzzy hyperarcs; an intuitionistic fuzzy hyperarc $E_i \in E$ is defined as a pair $(t(E_i), h(E_i))$, where $(E_i) \subset V$, with $t(E_i) \neq \emptyset$, is its tail, and $h(E_i) \in V - t(E_i)$ is its head. A vertex s is said to be a source vertex in H if $h(E_i) \neq s$, for every $E_i \in E$. A vertex d is said to be a destination vertex in H if $d \neq t(E_i)$, for every $E_i \in E$.

Definition 2.6: [7] Let H be an IFDHG, let $H^{r_i, s_i} = (V^{r_i, s_i}, E^{r_i, s_i})$ be the $\langle r_i, s_i \rangle$ -level IFDHG of H . The sequence of real numbers $\{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n; s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n\}$, such that $0 \leq r_i \leq h_\mu(H)$ and $0 \leq s_i \leq h_\nu(H)$, satisfying the properties:

- (i) If $r_1 < \alpha \leq 1$ and $0 \leq \beta < s_1$ then $E^{\alpha, \beta} = \emptyset$,
- (ii) If $r_i + 1 \leq \alpha \leq r_i; s_i \leq \beta \leq s_i + 1$ then $E^{\alpha, \beta} = E^{r_i, s_i}$
- (iii) $E^{r_i, s_i} \subset E^{r_{i+1}, s_{i+1}}$

is called the fundamental sequence of H , and is denoted by $F(H)$. The core set of H is denoted by $C(H)$ and is defined by $C(H) = \{H^{r_1, s_1}, H^{r_2, s_2}, \dots, H^{r_n, s_n}\}$. The corresponding set of $\langle r_i, s_i \rangle$ - level hypergraphs $H^{r_1, s_1} \subset H^{r_2, s_2} \subset \dots \subset H^{r_n, s_n}$ is called the H induced fundamental sequence and is denoted by $I(H)$. The $\langle r_n, s_n \rangle$ - level is called the support level of H and the H^{r_n, s_n} is called the support of H .

Definition 2.7: [7] Let H be an IFDHG and $C(H) = \{H^{r_1, s_1}, H^{r_2, s_2}, \dots, H^{r_n, s_n}\}$. H is said to be ordered if $C(H)$ is ordered. That is $H^{r_1, s_1} \subset H^{r_2, s_2} \subset \dots \subset H^{r_n, s_n}$. The IFDHG is said to be simply ordered if the sequence $\{H^{r_i, s_i} / i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$ is simply ordered, that is if it is ordered and if whenever $E \in H^{r_{i+1}, s_{i+1}} - H^{r_i, s_i}$ then $E \not\subset H^{r_i, s_i}$.

Definition 2.8: [9] Let H be an IFDHG with core set $C(H) = \{H^{r_i, s_i} = (V^{r_i, s_i}, E^{r_i, s_i}) / i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$, where $E(H^{r_i, s_i}) = E_i$ is the crisp edge set of the core hypergraph H^{r_i, s_i} . Let $E(H)$ denote the crisp edge set of H defined by $E(H) = \cup \{E_i / E_i = E(H^{r_i, s_i}); H^{r_i, s_i} \in C(H)\}$. $E(H)$, a crisp hypergraph on V , is called *core aggregate hypergraph* of H and is denoted by $\mathcal{H}(H) = (V, E(H))$.

Definition 2.9: [9] An IFDHG H is said to be an *intersecting intuitionistic fuzzy directed hypergraph*, if for each pair of intuitionistic fuzzy hyperedge $\{E_i, E_j\} \subseteq E$, $E_i \cap E_j \neq \emptyset$.

Definition 2.10: [9] Let H be an IFDHG and $C(H) = \{H^{r_i, s_i} = (V^{r_i, s_i}, E^{r_i, s_i}) / i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$, if H^{r_i, s_i} is an intersecting IFDHG for each $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ then H is *K-intersecting IFDHG*.

Definition 2.11: [9] An IFDHG H is said to be *strongly intersecting*, if for any two edges E_i and E_j contain a common spike of height, $h = h(E_i) \wedge h(E_j)$.

Definition 2.12: [8] Let H be an IFDHG. A *primitive k-coloring* A of H is a partition $\{A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_k\}$ of V into k -subsets (colors) such that the support of each intuitionistic fuzzy hyperedge of H intersects atleast two colors of A , except spike edges.

Definition 2.13: [8] The *k-chromatic number* of an IFDHG H is the minimal number $\chi_k(H)$, of colors needed to produce a primitive coloring of H . The *chromatic number* of H is the minimal number, $\chi(H)$, of colors needed to produce a K -coloring of H .

Theorem 2.1: [8] If H is an ordered IFDHG and A is a primitive coloring of H , then A is a K - coloring of H .

Theorem 2.2: [9] Let H be an IFDHG and suppose $C(H) = \{H^{r_i, s_i} = (V^{r_i, s_i}, E^{r_i, s_i}) / i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$. Then H is intersecting if and only if $H^{r_n, s_n} = (V^{r_n, s_n}, E^{r_n, s_n})$ is intersecting.

Theorem 2.3: [9] Let H be an ordered IFDHG and let $C(H) = \{H^{r_i, s_i} = (V^{r_i, s_i}, E^{r_i, s_i}) / i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$, then H is intersecting if and only if H is K -intersecting.

Theorem 2.4: [9] If H^\square is intersecting, then H is strongly intersecting.

Definition 2.14: [8] A *spike reduction* of $E_i \in F_\phi(V)$, denoted by \check{E} is defined as

$$\check{E}(v_i) = \max_i \{ \langle r_i, s_i \rangle / |E_i^{r_i, s_i}| \geq 2, (0 \leq r_i \leq E_\mu(v_i), 0 \leq s_i \leq E_\nu(v_i)) \}.$$

Note:

- i) If $A = \emptyset$ then $\check{E}(v_i) = 0$
- ii) If E_i is spike, then $\check{E} = \chi_0$.

Definition 2.15: [8] Let H be an IFDHG and let $\check{H} = (\check{V}, \check{E})$, where $\check{E} = \{\check{E}_i / E_i \in E\}$ and $\check{V} = \cup_{E_i \in \check{E}} \text{supp}(\check{E})$.

Theorem 2.5: [3] H is intersecting if and only if H is K -intersecting.

Theorem 2.6: [3] If H is a crisp intersecting hypergraph, then $\chi(H) \leq 3$.

Theorem 2.7: [3] A crisp hypergraph H is intersecting if and only if $H \subseteq Tr(H)$.

Theorem 2.8: [8] Let H be an IFDHG. Then H is strongly intersecting if and only if H is K -intersecting.

3. INTERSECTING IFDHG

Definition 3.1: Let H be an IFDHG. Then H is said to be *essentially intersecting* if \tilde{H} is intersecting. And H is said to be *essentially strongly intersecting* if \tilde{H} is strongly intersecting.

Example 3.1: Consider an IFDHG, H with the incidence matrix as given below:

$$H = \begin{matrix} & E_1 & E_2 & E_3 & E_4 \\ \begin{matrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ v_4 \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} \langle 0.7, 0.1 \rangle \\ \langle 0.7, 0.1 \rangle \\ \langle 0.7, 0.1 \rangle \\ \langle 0, 1 \rangle \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} \langle 0, 1 \rangle \\ \langle 0.5, 0.2 \rangle \\ \langle 0, 1 \rangle \\ \langle 0, 1 \rangle \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} \langle 0, 1 \rangle \\ \langle 0.5, 0.2 \rangle \\ \langle 0.3, 0.4 \rangle \\ \langle 0.3, 0.4 \rangle \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} \langle 0.5, 0.3 \rangle \\ \langle 0, 1 \rangle \\ \langle 0, 1 \rangle \\ \langle 0.5, 0.3 \rangle \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

The corresponding graph of IFDHG H is displayed in Figure 3.1.

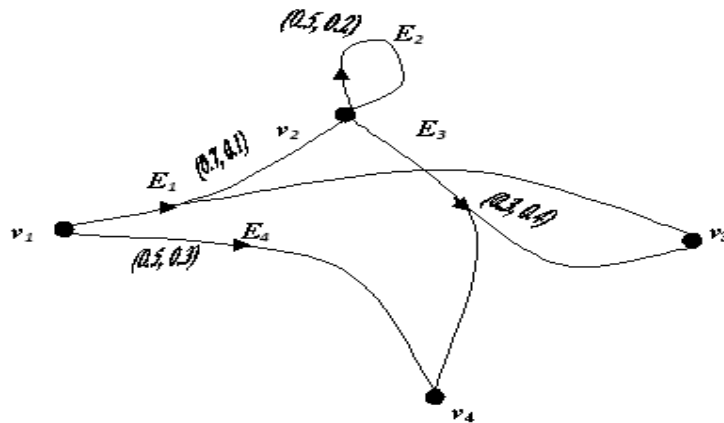


Figure-3.1: Intersecting IFDHG

Figure 3.2 depicts essentially intersecting IFDHG

$$H = \begin{matrix} & E_1 & E_2 & E_3 \\ \begin{matrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ v_4 \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} \langle 0.7, 0.1 \rangle \\ \langle 0.7, 0.1 \rangle \\ \langle 0.7, 0.1 \rangle \\ \langle 0, 1 \rangle \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} \langle 0, 1 \rangle \\ \langle 0.5, 0.2 \rangle \\ \langle 0.3, 0.4 \rangle \\ \langle 0.3, 0.4 \rangle \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} \langle 0.5, 0.3 \rangle \\ \langle 0, 1 \rangle \\ \langle 0, 1 \rangle \\ \langle 0.5, 0.3 \rangle \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

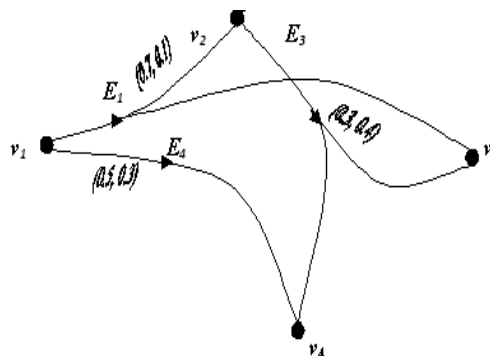


Figure-3.2: Essentially intersecting IFDHG

Definition 3.2: Let H be an IFDHG and $H^\diamond = (\tilde{H})^\square$, then H is called \diamond – intersecting if H^\diamond is intersecting.

Note:

- (i) For our convenience, assume $F(H^\diamond) = \{r_1^s, r_2^s, \dots, r_k^s; s_1^s, s_2^s, \dots, s_k^s\}$, where $0 \leq r_i \leq h_\mu(H)$ and $0 \leq s_i \leq h_\nu(H)$ and
- (ii) $F(\tilde{H}) = \{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_m; s_1, s_2, \dots, s_m\}$, where $0 \leq r_i \leq h_\mu(H)$ and $0 \leq s_i \leq h_\nu(H)$.

Theorem 3.1: If H is \diamond – intersecting IFDHG, then H is essentially strongly intersecting IFDHG.

Note: In general, the converse need not be true.

Theorem 3.2: If H is ordered and essentially intersecting IFDHG, then $\chi(H) \leq 3$.

Proof: Assume \tilde{H} exists, then $\chi(H) = 1$. Let $(\tilde{H})^{r_m, s_m} \in C(\tilde{H})$, where $\langle r_m, s_m \rangle \in F(H)$ will be the smallest value. Since \tilde{H} is intersecting IFDHG, it follows from theorem 2.2 that $(\tilde{H})^{r_m, s_m}$ is also intersecting. Hence by theorem 2.6 $\chi((\tilde{H})^{r_m, s_m}) \leq 3$. Also since H is ordered, \tilde{H} is also ordered. By definition 2.13 and theorem 2.1 it follows that, $\chi((\tilde{H})^{r_m, s_m}) \leq 3$ and by definition 2.14, $\chi(\tilde{H}) \leq 3$. Hence, $\chi(H) = \chi(\tilde{H})$.

Theorem 3.3: If H is elementary and essentially intersecting IFDHG, then $\chi(H) \leq 3$.

Proof: Since H is ordered, the result is obvious from theorem 3.2.

Theorem 3.4: If H is of the form $\mu \otimes H$ and essentially intersecting IFDHG, then $\chi(H) \leq 3$.

Proof: The result is obvious, since H is elementary.

Theorem 3.5: If H is \diamond – intersecting IFDHG, then $\chi(H) \leq 3$.

Proof: Given H^\diamond is intersecting. Also H^\diamond is elementary. Hence by theorem 3.3 $\chi(H) \leq 3 \Rightarrow \chi(H^\diamond) \leq 3$. Since $\chi(H^\diamond) = \chi(\tilde{H}) = \chi(H)$. The result follows obviously.

Note: Since $H = \tilde{H}$, K – coloring of skeleton H^\square , of H may not be extendible to K – coloring of H , or if extendible, then it may not use the new colors. Therefore, if $H = \tilde{H}$ then $\chi(H^\square) < \chi(H)$.

Definition 3.3: Let $H = \{v_i \in IF_\phi(V) | i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ is a finite collection of intuitionistic fuzzy subsets of V and let $0 \leq r_i \leq h_\mu(H)$ and $0 \leq s_i \leq h_\nu(H)$. Then $H|_{\langle r_i, s_i \rangle} = \{v \in F_\phi(V) | h(v) = \langle r_i, s_i \rangle\}$ denotes the set of edges in K of height $\langle r_i, s_i \rangle$. In general, H^{r_i, s_i} denotes the partial IFDHG of $H = (V, E)$ with the edge set E^{r_i, s_i} provided $E^{r_i, s_i} \neq \emptyset$.

Definition 3.4: Let $H_i = (V_i, E_i)$, $i = 1, 2$ be an IFDHG. Then $H_1 \subseteq H_2$ if every edge of H_1 contains an edge H_2 .

Theorem 3.6: H is strongly intersecting IFDHG if and only if $H^{r_i, s_i} \subseteq Tr(H^{r_i, s_i})$ for every $H^{r_i, s_i} \in C(H)$.

Proof: By theorem 2.8, definition 2.11 and theorem 2.7 it is obvious that

H is strongly intersecting IFDHG $\Leftrightarrow H$ is K – intersecting IFDHG
 $\Leftrightarrow H^{r_i, s_i}$ is intersecting for all $H^{r_i, s_i} \in C(H)$
 $\Leftrightarrow H^{r_i, s_i} \subseteq Tr(H^{r_i, s_i})$ for every $\langle r_i, s_i \rangle \in F(H)$, $H^{r_i, s_i} \in C(H)$.

Theorem 3.7: H is strongly intersecting IFDHG if and only if for every $\langle r_i, s_i \rangle \in F(H)$, $H^{r_i, s_i}|_{\langle r_i, s_i \rangle} \subseteq Tr(H^{r_i, s_i})$.

Proof: Let for every $\langle r_i, s_i \rangle \in F(H)$, $H^{r_i, s_i}|_{\langle r_i, s_i \rangle} \subseteq Tr(H^{r_i, s_i})$. For each $H^{r_i, s_i} \in C(H)$, the edge set $E(H^{r_i, s_i}) = \{E^{r_i, s_i} | E \in H^{r_i, s_i}|_{\langle r_i, s_i \rangle}\} \subseteq \{\{\tau^{r_i, s_i} | \tau \in Tr(H^{r_i, s_i})\} = Tr(E(H^{r_i, s_i}))\}$. Hence, $H^{r_i, s_i} \subseteq Tr(H^{r_i, s_i})$ for all $H^{r_i, s_i} \in C(H)$ and by theorem 3.6, H is strongly intersecting IFDHG.

Conversely, let H is strongly intersecting IFDHG. And suppose $E \in H|_{\langle r_i, s_i \rangle}$ where $\langle r_i, s_i \rangle$ the largest member of $F(H)$ be. Let $H^{r_i, s_i} \in C(H)$.

To Prove: E^{r_i, s_i} is the transversal of H^{r_i, s_i} .

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Let $E \in H^{r_i s_i}$. Then there exists an edge E_1 of H such that $E_1^{r_i s_i} = E$. Since, H is strongly intersecting IFDHG, there is a spike σ_v with height $h(\sigma_v) = h(E) \wedge h(E_1) = h(E_1) \geq \langle r_i, s_i \rangle$. And support of $\{v\}$, which is contained in both E and E_1 . Hence, $v \in E \cap E_1^{r_i s_i}$. Thus E is a transversal of H and therefore it contains a member of $Tr(H)$. Therefore, $H^{r_i s_i}|_{\langle r_i, s_i \rangle} \subseteq Tr(H^{r_i s_i})$.

By theorem 2.8, it is true that H is K – intersecting IFDHG. Again by the same theorem, it follows that $H^{r_i s_i}$ is strongly intersecting. Hence, $H^{r_i s_i}|_{\langle r_i, s_i \rangle} \subseteq Tr(H^{r_i s_i})$ for every $\langle r_i, s_i \rangle \in F(H)$.

Theorem 3.8: Let H be an IFDHG with $C(H) = \{H^{r_i s_i} | \langle r_i, s_i \rangle \in F(H)\}$. Then $H^{r_i s_i} \subseteq Tr(H^{r_i s_i})$ for every $H^{r_i s_i} \in C(H)$ if and only if $H^{r_i s_i}|_{\langle r_i, s_i \rangle} \subseteq Tr(H^{r_i s_i})$ for every $\langle r_i, s_i \rangle \in F(H)$.

Proof: By theorem 3.6 and 3.7, the proof is obvious.

Theorem 3.9: H is strongly intersecting IFDHG if and only if $H^{r_i s_i}$ is intersecting for every $\langle r_i, s_i \rangle \in F(H)$.

Proof: By theorem 2.2 and 2.8, the following equivalencies holds good.

$$\begin{aligned} H^{r_i s_i} \text{ is intersecting for every } \langle r_i, s_i \rangle \in F(H) &\Leftrightarrow E(H^{r_i s_i}) \text{ is intersecting for each } H^{r_i s_i} \in C(H) \\ &\Leftrightarrow H \text{ is } K - \text{ intersecting IFDHG} \\ &\Leftrightarrow H \text{ is strongly intersecting IFDHG.} \end{aligned}$$

Definition 3.5: An IFDHG is said to be *non-trivial* if it has atleast one edge E such that $|supp(E)| \geq 2$.

Definition 3.6: An IFDHG is said to be *sequentially simple* if $C(H) = \{H^{r_i s_i} = (V^{r_i s_i}, E^{r_i s_i}) | \langle r_i, s_i \rangle \in F(H) \text{ satisfies the property that if } E \in E^{r_{i+1} s_{i+1}} \setminus E^{r_i s_i}, \text{ then } E \not\subseteq V^{r_i s_i} \text{ where } 0 \leq r_i \leq h_\mu(H) \text{ and } 0 \leq s_i \leq h_\nu(H). H \text{ is said to be essentially sequentially simple if } \tilde{H} \text{ is sequentially simple.}$

Theorem 3.10: If H is an ordered IFDHG. Then the following statements holds:

- If H is intersecting if and only if H^\square is intersecting.
- \tilde{H} is intersecting if and only if H^\diamond is intersecting.

Proof: Since $H^\diamond = (\tilde{H})^\square$ and \tilde{H} is ordered whenever H is non-trivial ordered IFDHG (ii) is true. Also since H is ordered, $supp(H) = \cup \{E(H^{r_i s_i}) | H^{r_i s_i} \in C(H)\}$. Thus, $supp(H^\square) \subseteq supp(H)$. Again by construction of H^\square , every member of the edge set $E(H^{r_i s_i})$ is either a member or it contains a member of $supp(H^\square)$. Hence, for any two edges $E_1, E_2 \subseteq supp(H)$ there exists corresponding edges $E'_1, E'_2 \subseteq supp(H^\square)$ such that $E'_1 \subseteq E_1$ and $E'_2 \subseteq E_2$. Therefore, $supp(H^\square)$ is intersecting $\Leftrightarrow supp(H)$ is intersecting. Hence (i) is proved.

Theorem 3.11: Let H be an IFDHG. Then the following conditions holds good.

- If H^\square is intersecting, then H is strongly intersecting.
- If H^\diamond is intersecting, then \tilde{H} is strongly intersecting.

Proof: It is obvious that the edge E in the core hypergraph $H^{r_i s_i} \in C(H)$ contains a member of $supp(H^\square)$ by the construction process explained in [8] and also by H^\square is elementary. Hence, if $supp(H^\square)$ is intersecting, then every core hypergraph, $H^{r_i s_i}$ of H is also intersecting. Therefore, H is K – intersecting and by theorem 2.8, H is strongly intersecting.

Example 3.2: Consider an IFDHG, H with the incidence matrix as given below:

$$H = \begin{matrix} & E_1 & E_2 & E_3 & E_4 \\ \begin{matrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ v_4 \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} \langle 0.7, 0.1 \rangle & \langle 0, 1 \rangle & \langle 0, 1 \rangle & \langle 0.5, 0.4 \rangle \\ \langle 0.7, 0.1 \rangle & \langle 0.5, 0.2 \rangle & \langle 0.5, 0.2 \rangle & \langle 0.2, 0.1 \rangle \\ \langle 0.7, 0.1 \rangle & \langle 0, 1 \rangle & \langle 0.3, 0.4 \rangle & \langle 0, 1 \rangle \\ \langle 0, 1 \rangle & \langle 0, 1 \rangle & \langle 0.3, 0.4 \rangle & \langle 0.5, 0.2 \rangle \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

In example 3.2, H is strongly intersecting.

The incidence matrix for H^\square is

$$H = \begin{matrix} & E_1 & E_2 & E_3 & E_4 \\ \begin{matrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ v_4 \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} \langle 0.7, 0.1 \rangle & \langle 0, 1 \rangle & \langle 0, 1 \rangle & \langle 0.5, 0.4 \rangle \\ \langle 0, 1 \rangle & \langle 0.5, 0.2 \rangle & \langle 0, 1 \rangle & \langle 0, 1 \rangle \\ \langle 0.7, 0.1 \rangle & \langle 0, 1 \rangle & \langle 0.3, 0.4 \rangle & \langle 0, 1 \rangle \\ \langle 0, 1 \rangle & \langle 0, 1 \rangle & \langle 0.3, 0.4 \rangle & \langle 0.5, 0.2 \rangle \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

Here, H^\square is not intersecting.

4. CONCLUSION

In this paper, an attempt has been made to study the intersecting intuitionistic fuzzy directed hypergraphs. Also, essentially intersecting, \diamond – intersecting and sequentially simple intersecting IFDHGs have been defined. Some of its properties have also been analyzed. Also it has been proved that the IFDHG H is strongly intersecting IFDHG if and only if $H^{r_i s_i} \subseteq Tr(H^{r_i s_i})$ for every $H^{r_i s_i} \in C(H)$.

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