

## ON INTUITIONISTIC FUZZY SEMIPRIME IDEALS IN SEMIGROUPS

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper, we introduce the notion of intuitionistic fuzzy semiprimality in a semigroup, which is an extension of fuzzy semiprimality and investigate some properties of intuitionistic fuzzification of the concept of several ideals.

**1 Introduction** After the introduction of fuzzy sets by L. A. Zadeh [8], several researches were conducted on the generalizations of the notion of fuzzy set. The concept of intuitionistic fuzzy set was introduced by K. T. Atanassov [1], as a generalization of the notion of fuzzy set. In [4], N. Kuroki gave some properties of fuzzy ideals and fuzzy semiprime ideals in semigroups. In this paper, we introduce the notion of intuitionistic fuzzy semiprimality in a semigroup, which is an extension of fuzzy semiprimality and investigate some properties of intuitionistic fuzzification of the concept of several ideals.

**2 Preliminaries** Let  $S$  be a semigroup. By a *subsemigroup* of  $S$  we mean a non-empty subset  $A$  of  $S$  such that  $A^2 \subseteq A$ , and by a *left (right) ideal* of  $S$  we mean a non-empty subset  $A$  of  $S$  such that  $SA \subseteq A$  ( $AS \subseteq A$ ). By *two-sided ideal* or simply *ideal*, we mean a non-empty subset of  $S$  which is both a left and a right ideal of  $S$ . A subsemigroup  $A$  of a semigroup  $S$  is called a *bi-ideal* of  $S$  if  $ASA \subseteq A$ . A semigroup  $S$  is said to be *regular* if, for each  $x \in S$ , there exists  $y \in S$  such that  $x = xyx$ . A semigroup  $S$  is said to be *completely regular* if, for each  $x \in S$ , there exists  $y \in S$  such that  $x = xyx$  and  $xy = yx$ .

By a *fuzzy set*  $\mu$  in a non-empty set  $S$  we mean a function  $\mu : S \rightarrow [0, 1]$ , and the complement of  $\mu$ , denoted by  $\bar{\mu}$ , is the fuzzy set in  $S$  given by  $\bar{\mu}(x) = 1 - \mu(x)$  for all  $x \in S$ .

An intuitionistic fuzzy set (briefly, IFS)  $A$  in a non-empty set  $X$  is an object having the form

$$A = \{(x, \mu_A(x), \gamma_A(x)) \mid x \in X\}$$

where the functions  $\mu_A : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  and  $\gamma_A : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  denote the degree of membership and the degree of nonmembership, respectively, and

$$0 \leq \mu_A(x) + \gamma_A(x) \leq 1$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

An intuitionistic fuzzy set  $A = \{(x, \mu_A(x), \gamma_A(x)) \mid x \in X\}$  in  $X$  can be identified to an ordered pair  $(\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  in  $I^X \times I^X$ . For the sake of simplicity, we shall use the symbol  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  for the IFS  $A = \{(x, \mu_A(x), \gamma_A(x)) \mid x \in X\}$ .

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**3 Intuitionistic Fuzzy ideals** In what follows, let  $S$  denote a semigroup unless otherwise specified.

**Definition 3.1.** An IFS  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  in  $S$  is called an *intuitionistic fuzzy subsemigroup* of  $S$  if

$$(IF1) \quad \mu_A(xy) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\},$$

$$(IF2) \quad \gamma_A(xy) \leq \max\{\gamma_A(x), \gamma_A(y)\},$$

for all  $x, y \in S$ .

**Proposition 3.2.** If IFS  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemigroup of  $S$ , then the set

$$S_A := \{x \in S \mid \mu_A(x) = \mu_A(0), \gamma_A(x) = \gamma_A(0)\}$$

is a subsemigroup of  $S$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x, y \in S_A$ . Then  $\mu_A(x) = \mu_A(y) = \mu_A(0)$  and  $\gamma_A(x) = \gamma_A(y) = \gamma_A(0)$ . Since  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemigroup of  $S$ , it follows that

$$\mu_A(xy) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\} = \mu_A(0),$$

and

$$\gamma_A(xy) \leq \max\{\gamma_A(x), \gamma_A(y)\} = \gamma_A(0).$$

So, we have  $\mu_A(xy) = \mu_A(0)$  and  $\gamma_A(xy) = \gamma_A(0)$ . Thus  $xy \in S_A$ . This proves the theorem.  $\square$

**Definition 3.3.** [2] An IFS  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  in  $S$  is called an *intuitionistic fuzzy left ideal* of  $S$  if

$$(IF3) \quad \mu_A(xy) \geq \mu_A(y),$$

(IF4)  $\gamma_A(xy) \leq \gamma_A(y)$ , for all  $x, y \in S$ . An intuitionistic fuzzy right ideal of  $S$  is defined in an analogous way. An IFS  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  in  $S$  is called an *intuitionistic fuzzy ideal* of  $S$  if it is both an intuitionistic fuzzy right and an intuitionistic fuzzy left ideal of  $S$ .

It is clear that any intuitionistic fuzzy left (right) ideal of  $S$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemigroup of  $S$ .

**Lemma 3.4.** Let  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemigroup of  $S$  such that  $\mu_A(x) \geq \mu_A(y)$  (resp.  $\mu_A(y) \geq \mu_A(x)$ ) and  $\gamma_A(x) \leq \gamma_A(y)$  (resp.  $\gamma_A(y) \leq \gamma_A(x)$ ) for all  $x, y \in S$ . Then  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy left (resp. *right*) ideal of  $S$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\mu_A(x) \geq \mu_A(y)$  and  $\mu_A(x) \geq \mu_A(y)$ . For  $x, y \in S$ , we have

$$\mu_A(xy) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\} = \mu_A(y),$$

and

$$\gamma_A(xy) \leq \max\{\gamma_A(x), \gamma_A(y)\} = \gamma_A(y).$$

Therefore,  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy left ideal of  $S$ . In a similar way, it is easy to prove that  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy right ideal of  $S$ .  $\square$

**Definition 3.5.** [2] An intuitionistic fuzzy subsemigroup  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  of  $S$  is called an *intuitionistic fuzzy bi-ideal* of  $S$  if

$$(IF5) \quad \mu_A(xwy) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\},$$

$$(IF6) \quad \gamma_A(xwy) \leq \max\{\gamma_A(x), \gamma_A(y)\}$$

for all  $w, x, y \in S$ .

**Example 3.6.** [2] Let  $S := \{a, b, c, d, e\}$  be a semigroup with the following Cayley table:

$\cdot$	$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$	$e$
$a$	$a$	$a$	$a$	$a$	$a$
$b$	$a$	$a$	$a$	$a$	$a$
$c$	$a$	$a$	$c$	$c$	$e$
$d$	$a$	$a$	$c$	$d$	$e$
$e$	$a$	$a$	$c$	$c$	$e$

Define an IFS  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  in  $S$  by  $\mu_A(a) = 0.6, \mu_A(b) = 0.5, \mu_A(c) = 0.4, \mu_A(d) = \mu_A(e) = 0.3, \gamma_A(a) = \gamma_A(b) = 0.3, \gamma_A(c) = 0.4$  and  $\gamma_A(d) = 0.5, \gamma_A(e) = 0.6$ . By routine calculation, we can check that  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy bi-ideal of  $S$ .

A subset  $A$  of a semigroup  $S$  is called *semiprime* if  $a^2 \in A$  imply  $a \in A$  for all  $a \in S$ .

**Definition 3.7.** An IFS  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  is called *intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime* if

$$(IF7) \quad \mu_A(x) \geq \mu_A(x^2),$$

$$(IF8) \quad \gamma_A(x) \leq \gamma_A(x^2),$$

for all  $x \in S$ .

**Example 3.8.** Let  $S = \{0, e, f, a, b\}$  be a set with the following Cayley table:

$\cdot$	$0$	$e$	$f$	$a$	$b$
$0$	$0$	$0$	$0$	$0$	$0$
$e$	$0$	$e$	$0$	$a$	$0$
$f$	$0$	$0$	$f$	$0$	$b$
$a$	$0$	$a$	$0$	$0$	$e$
$b$	$0$	$0$	$b$	$f$	$0$

Then  $S$  is a semigroup. Define an IFS  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  in  $S$  by  $\mu_A(e) = \mu_A(f) = 1, \mu_A(a) = \mu_A(b) = \mu_A(0) = 0, \gamma_A(e) = \gamma_A(f) = 0$ , and  $\gamma_A(a) = \gamma_A(b) = \gamma_A(0) = 1$ . By routine calculations we know that  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime of  $S$ .

**Theorem 3.9.** If  $X$  is semiprime, then, an IFS  $\tilde{A} = (\chi_X, \bar{\chi}_X)$  is intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime.

*Proof.* Let  $a$  be any element of  $S$ . If  $a^2 \in X$ , then since  $X$  is semiprime, we have  $a \in X$ . Thus

$$\chi_X(a) = 1 \geq \chi_X(a^2)$$

and

$$\bar{\chi}_X(a) = 1 - \chi_X(a) \leq 1 - \chi_X(a^2) = \bar{\chi}_X(a^2).$$

If  $a^2 \notin X$ , then we have  $\chi_X(a^2) = 0$ . Therefore,

$$\chi_X(a) \geq 0 = \chi_X(a^2)$$

and

$$\bar{\chi}_X(a^2) = 1 - \chi_X(a^2) \geq 1 - \chi_X(a) = \bar{\chi}_X(a).$$

This proves the theorem.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.10.** Let  $X$  be a nonempty subset of  $S$ . If an IFS  $\tilde{A} = (\chi_X, \bar{\chi}_X)$  satisfy (IF7) or (IF8), then  $X$  is semiprime.

*Proof.* Suppose that  $\tilde{A} = (\chi_X, \bar{\chi}_X)$  satisfy (IF7). Let  $a^2 \in X$ . Then,  $\chi_X(a) \geq \chi_X(a^2) = 1$ . So,  $a \in X$ . Hence  $X$  is semiprime. Now suppose that  $\tilde{A} = (\chi_X, \bar{\chi}_X)$  satisfy (IF8). Let  $a^2 \in X$ . Then  $\bar{\chi}_X(a) \leq \bar{\chi}_X(a^2) = 1 - \chi_X(a^2) = 1 - 1 = 0$ , i.e.,  $\chi_X(a) = 1$ . This shows that  $a \in X$ . This proves the theorem.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.11.** For any intuitionistic fuzzy subsemigroup  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  of  $S$ , if  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  is intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime,  $A(a) = A(a^2)$  holds.

*Proof.* Let  $a$  be an element of  $S$ . Then, since  $\mu_A$  is a fuzzy subsemigroup of  $S$ , we have

$$\mu_A(a) \geq \mu_A(a^2) = \min\{\mu_A(a), \mu_A(a)\} = \mu_A(a),$$

and so we have  $\mu_A(a) = \mu_A(a^2)$ . Also, we have

$$\gamma_A(a) \leq \gamma_A(a^2) = \max\{\gamma_A(a), \gamma_A(a)\} = \gamma_A(a).$$

Thus  $\gamma_A(a) = \gamma_A(a^2)$ . This proves the theorem.  $\square$

A semigroup  $S$  is called *left* (resp. *right*) regular if, for each element  $a$  of  $S$ , there exists an element  $x$  in  $S$  such that  $a = xa^2$  (resp.  $a = a^2x$ ).

**Theorem 3.12.** Let  $S$  be left regular. Then, for every intuitionistic fuzzy left ideal  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  of  $S$ ,  $A(a) = A(a^2)$  holds for all  $a \in S$ .

*Proof.* Let  $a$  be any element of  $S$ . Then since  $S$  is left regular, there exists an element  $x$  in  $S$  such that  $a = xa^2$ . Then we have

$$\mu_A(a) = \mu_A(xa^2) \geq \mu_A(a^2) \geq \mu_A(a),$$

and so we have  $\mu_A(a) = \mu_A(a^2)$ . Also, we have

$$\gamma_A(a) = \gamma_A(xa^2) \leq \gamma_A(a^2) \leq \gamma_A(a).$$

Thus  $\gamma_A(a) = \gamma_A(a^2)$ . So,  $A(a) = A(a^2)$ . This proves the theorem.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.13.** Let  $S$  be left regular. Then, every intuitionistic fuzzy left ideal of  $S$  is intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime.

*Proof.* Let IFS  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy left ideal of  $S$  and let  $a \in S$ . Then, there exists an element  $x$  in  $S$  such that  $a = xa^2$  since  $S$  is left regular. So, we have  $\mu_A(a) = \mu_A(xa^2) \geq \mu_A(a^2)$ , and  $\gamma_A(a) = \gamma_A(xa^2) \leq \gamma_A(a^2)$ . This proves the theorem.  $\square$

A semigroup  $S$  is called *intra-regular* if, for each element  $a$  of  $S$ , there exist elements  $x$  and  $y$  in  $S$  such that  $a = xa^2y$ .

**Definition 3.14.** [3] An intuitionistic fuzzy subsemigroup  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  of  $S$  is called an *intuitionistic fuzzy interior ideal* of  $S$  if

$$(IF9) \quad \mu_A(xay) \geq \mu_A(a),$$

$$(IF10) \quad \gamma_A(xay) \leq \gamma_A(a),$$

for all  $x, y, a \in S$ .

**Theorem 3.15.** Let  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  be an IFS in an intra-regular semigroup  $S$ . Then,  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy interior ideal of  $S$  if and only if  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$ .

*Proof.* Let  $a, b$  be any elements of  $S$ , and let  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy interior ideal of  $S$ . Then, since  $S$  is intra-regular, there exist elements  $x, y, u$  and  $v$  in  $S$  such that  $a = xa^2y$  and  $b = ub^2y$ . Then, since  $\mu_A$  is a fuzzy interior ideal of  $S$ , we have

$$\mu_A(ab) = \mu_A((xa^2y)b) = \mu_A((xa)a(yb)) \geq \mu_A(a)$$

and

$$\mu_A(ab) = \mu_A(a(ub^2v)) = \mu_A((au)b(bv)) \geq \mu_A(b).$$

Also, we have

$$\gamma_A(ab) = \gamma_A((xa^2y)b) = \gamma_A((xa)a(yb)) \leq \gamma_A(a)$$

and

$$\gamma_A(ab) = \gamma_A(a(ub^2v)) = \gamma_A((au)b(bv)) \leq \gamma_A(b).$$

On the other hand, let  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$ . Then, since  $\mu_A$  is a fuzzy ideal of  $S$ , we have

$$\mu_A(xay) = \mu_A(x(ay)) \geq \mu_A(ay) \geq \mu_A(a),$$

and

$$\gamma_A(xay) = \gamma_A(x(ay)) \leq \gamma_A(ay) \leq \gamma_A(a)$$

for all  $x, a$  and  $y \in S$ . This proves the theorem.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.16.** Let  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$ . If  $S$  is intra-regular, then  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  is intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime.

*Proof.* Let  $a$  be any element of  $S$ . Then since  $S$  is intra-regular, there exist  $x$  and  $y$  in  $S$  such that  $a = xa^2y$ . So, we have

$$\mu_A(a) = \mu_A(xa^2y) \geq \mu_A(a^2y) \geq \mu_A(a^2),$$

and

$$\gamma_A(a) = \gamma_A(xa^2y) \leq \gamma_A(a^2y) \leq \gamma_A(a^2).$$

This proves the theorem.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.17.** Let  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy interior ideal of  $S$ . If  $S$  is an intra-regular, then  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  is intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime.

*Proof.* Let  $a$  be any element of  $S$ . Then since  $S$  is intra-regular, there exist  $x$  and  $y$  in  $S$  such that  $a = xa^2y$ . So, we have

$$\mu_A(a) = \mu_A(xa^2y) \geq \mu_A(a^2),$$

and

$$\gamma_A(a) = \gamma_A(xa^2y) \leq \gamma_A(a^2).$$

This proves the theorem.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.18.** Let  $S$  be intra-regular. Then, for all intuitionistic fuzzy interior ideal  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  and for all  $a \in S$ ,  $A(a) = A(a^2)$  holds

*Proof.* Let  $a$  be any element of  $S$ . Then since  $S$  is intra-regular, there exist  $x$  and  $y$  in  $S$  such that  $a = xa^2y$ . So, we have

$$\mu_A(a) = \mu_A(xa^2y) \geq \mu_A(a^2) = \mu_A((xa^2y)(xa^2y)) = \mu_A((xa)a(yxa^2y)) \geq \mu_A(a),$$

and

$$\gamma_A(a) = \gamma_A(xa^2y) \leq \gamma_A(a^2) = \gamma_A((xa^2y)(xa^2y)) = \gamma_A((xa)a(yxa^2y)) \leq \gamma_A(a).$$

So, we have  $A(a) = A(a^2)$ . This proves the theorem.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.19.** Let  $S$  be intra-regular. Then, for all intuitionistic fuzzy interior ideal  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  and for all  $a, b \in S$ ,  $A(ab) = A(ba)$  holds

*Proof.* Let  $a$  be any element of  $S$ . Then since  $S$  is intra-regular, there exist  $x$  and  $y$  in  $S$  such that  $a = xa^2y$ . So, we have

$$\mu_A(ab) = \mu_A((ab)^2) = \mu_A(a(ba)b) \geq \mu_A(ba) = \mu_A((ba)^2)\mu_A(b(ab)a) \geq \mu_A(ab),$$

and

$$\gamma_A(ab) = \gamma_A((ab)^2) = \gamma_A(a(ba)b) \leq \gamma_A(ba) = \gamma_A((ba)^2)\gamma_A(b(ab)a) \leq \gamma_A(ab).$$

So, we have  $A(ab) = A(ba)$ . This proves the theorem.  $\square$

A semigroup  $S$  is called *archimedean* if, for any elements  $a, b$ , there exists a positive integer  $n$  such that  $a^n \in SbS$ .

**Theorem 3.20.** Let  $S$  be an archimedean semigroup. Then, every intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime fuzzy ideal of  $S$  is a constant function.

*Proof.* Let  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  be any intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime fuzzy ideal of  $S$  and  $a, b \in S$ . Then since  $S$  is archimedean, there exist  $x$  and  $y$  in  $S$  such that  $a^n = xby$  for some integer  $n$ . Then, we have

$$\mu_A(a) = \mu_A(a^n) = \mu_A(xby) \geq \mu_A(b),$$

and

$$\mu_A(b) = \mu_A(b^n) = \mu_A(xay) \geq \mu_A(a).$$

Thus, we have  $\mu_A(a) = \mu_A(b)$ . Also, we have

$$\gamma_A(a) = \gamma_A(a^n) = \gamma_A(xby) \leq \gamma_A(b),$$

and

$$\gamma_A(b) = \gamma_A(b^n) = \gamma_A(xay) \leq \gamma_A(a).$$

Therefore, we have  $A(a) = A(b)$  for all  $a, b \in S$ . This proves the theorem.  $\square$

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