

## On Fuzzy Ideals Of Subtraction Semigroups

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**Abstract:** In this paper, we introduce the notion of fuzzy interior ideal, fuzzy bi-ideal, intuitionistic fuzzy interior ideal and intuitionistic fuzzy bi-ideal of a subtraction semigroup. We characterize a non-empty subset of a subtraction semigroup  $X$  through intuitionistic fuzzy ideal, intuitionistic fuzzy bi-ideal and intuitionistic fuzzy interior ideal. We give some equivalent conditions related to these notions.

**Key words:** Subtraction semigroups, fuzzy interior ideal, fuzzy bi-ideal, intuitionistic fuzzy interior ideal, intuitionistic fuzzy bi-ideal.

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## Çıkarma Yarıgruplarda Bulanık İdealler Üzerine

**Özet:** Bu makalede, çıkarma yarıgruplarında bulanık iç ideal, bulanık bi-ideal, sezgisel bulanık iç ideal ve sezgisel bulanık bi-ideal kavramlarının tanımları verilmiştir. Bir  $X$  çıkarma yarıgrupunun boş olmayan bir alt kümesinin bulanık iç ideal, bulanık bi-ideal, sezgisel bulanık iç ideal ve sezgisel bulanık bi-ideal olması için bazı karakterizasyonlar verilmiştir. Ayrıca bu kavramlarla ilgili bazı denk koşullar elde edilmiştir.

**Anahtar kelimeler:** çıkarma yarıgruplar, bulanık iç ideal, bulanık bi-ideal, sezgisel bulanık iç ideal, sezgisel bulanık bi-ideal

### 1. Introduction and Preliminaries

B. M. Schein ([11]) considered systems of the form  $(\Phi; \circ, \setminus)$ , where  $\Phi$  is a set of functions closed under the composition " $\circ$ " of functions ( and hence  $(\Phi; \circ)$  is a function semigroup) and the set theoretic subtraction " $\setminus$ " ( and hence  $(\Phi; \setminus)$  is a subtraction algebra in the sense of [3]). He proved that every subtraction semigroup is isomorphic to a difference semigroup of invertible functions. B. Zelinka ([14]) discussed a problem proposed by B. M. Schein concerning the structure of multiplication in a subtraction semigroup. He solved the problem for subtraction algebras of a special type, called the atomic subtraction algebras. Y. B. Jun, H. S. Kim and E. H. Roh ([6]) introduced the notion of ideals in subtraction algebras and discussed characterizations of ideals. In [7], Y. B. Jun and H. S. Kim established the ideal generated by a set and discussed related results.

After the introduction of fuzzy sets by Zadeh ([13]), several researchers were conducted on the generalizations of the notion of fuzzy set. The concept of intuitionistic fuzzy set was introduced by Atanassov [1,2] as a generalization of the notion of fuzzy set. In [12], Williams introduce a notion of fuzzy ideals in near-subtraction semigroups, and studied their related properties. In [5], Dheena and Mohanraj introduced the notion of fuzzy ideal, fuzzy weak ideal, fuzzy weakly prime left ideal and fuzzy prime left ideal system of a near-subtraction semigroup and discussed some related results.

In this paper, we introduce the concepts of fuzzy interior ideal, fuzzy bi-ideal, intuitionistic fuzzy interior ideal and intuitionistic fuzzy bi-ideal in a subtraction semigroup and give some related properties.

*Definition 1.1.* An algebra  $(X;-)$  with a single binary operation "-" is called a subtraction algebra if for all  $x,y,z \in X$  the following conditions hold:

- (1)  $x-(y-x)=x$ ,
- (2)  $x-(x-y)=y-(y-x)$ ,
- (3)  $(x-y)-z=(x-z)-y$ .

The subtraction determines an order relation on  $X : a \leq b \Leftrightarrow a-b=0$ , where  $0=a-a$  is an element that doesn't depend on the choice of  $a \in X$ .

In a subtraction algebra, the following are true [6,7]:

- (a1)  $(x-y)-y=x-y$ ,
- (a2)  $x-0=x$  and  $0-x=0$ ,
- (a3)  $(x-y)-x=0$ ,
- (a4)  $(x-y)-(y-x)=x-y$ ,
- (a5)  $x \leq y$  implies  $x-z \leq y-z$  and  $z-y \leq z-x$  for all  $z \in X$ .

*Definition 1.2.* A non-empty subset  $S$  of a subtraction algebra  $X$  is said to be a subalgebra of  $X$  if  $x-y \in S$  whenever  $x,y \in S$ .

*Definition 1.3.* Let  $X$  be a semigroup. By a subsemigroup of  $X$ , we mean a non-empty subset  $S$  of  $X$  such that  $xy \in S$  for all  $x,y \in S$ .

*Definition 1.4.* A semigroup  $X$  is said to be regular if, for each  $a \in X$ , there exists a  $x \in X$  such that  $a=axa$ .

*Definition 1.5.* A non-empty set  $X$  together with the binary operations "-" and "." is said to be a subtraction semigroup if it satisfies the following properties:

- (SS1)  $(X,-)$  is a subtraction algebra,
- (SS2)  $(X,.)$  is a semigroup,
- (SS3)  $x(y-z)=xy-xz$  and  $(x-y)z=xz-yz$   
for all  $x,y,z \in X$ .

It is clear that, in a subtraction semigroup  $X$ , we have  $0x=0$  and  $x0=0$  for all  $x \in X$ .

*Definition 1.6.*  $(X,-,.)$  be a subtraction semigroup. A non-empty subset  $I$  of  $X$  is called

- (I1) a left ideal if  $I$  is a subalgebra of  $(X,-)$  and  $xi \in I$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $i \in I$ ,
- (I2) a right ideal if  $I$  is a subalgebra of  $(X,-)$  and  $ix \in I$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $i \in I$ ,
- (I3) an ideal if  $I$  is both a left and a right ideal.

*Example 1.7.* Let  $(X,-,.)$  be a subtraction semigroup and  $a \in X$ .

- (i)  $A_a = \{x \in X : ax=0\}$  is a right ideal of  $X$ .

(ii)  $aX = \{ax : x \in X\}$  is a right ideal of  $X$ .

*Definition 1.8.* Let  $X$  be a non-empty set. A mapping  $\mu: X \rightarrow [0,1]$  is called a fuzzy set of  $X$ .

*Definition 1.9.* The level set of a fuzzy set  $\mu$  of  $X$  is defined as  $U = U(\mu; t) = \{x \in X : \mu(x) \geq t\}$  for all  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ .

*Definition 1.10.* An intuitionistic fuzzy set (IFS)  $A$  in a non-empty set  $X$  is an object having the form

$$A = \{ (x, \mu(x), \gamma(x)) : x \in X \}$$

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

$$0 \leq \mu(x) + \gamma(x) \leq 1$$

for all  $x \in X$ . For the sake of simplicity, we shall use the symbol  $A = (\mu, \gamma)$  for the IFS

$$A = \{ (x, \mu(x), \gamma(x)) : x \in X \}.$$

In what follows, let  $X$  be a subtraction semigroup, unless otherwise specified.

## 2. Fuzzy Interior Ideals and Fuzzy Bi-ideals

*Definition 2.1.*

(i) A subset  $Y$  of  $X$  is called an interior ideal of  $X$  if  $Y$  is a subalgebra of  $X$  and  $XYX \subseteq Y$ .

(ii) A subset  $Y$  of  $X$  is called a bi-ideal of  $X$  if  $Y$  is a subalgebra of  $X$  and  $YXY \subseteq Y$ .

*Example 2.2.* Let  $X = \{0, a, b, c\}$  in which "-" and "." are defined by the following table:

-	0	a	b	c
0	0	0	0	0
a	a	0	a	a
b	b	b	0	b
c	c	c	c	0

.	0	a	b	c
0	0	0	0	0
a	0	0	0	0
b	0	0	0	a
c	0	0	a	b

Then it is easily seen that  $(X; -, \cdot)$  is a subtraction semigroup and  $I = \{0, b\}$  is both an interior ideal and a bi-ideal of  $X$ . But  $I$  is not an ideal of  $X$ .

*Theorem 2.3.*

(i) Every ideal of  $X$  is an interior ideal.

(ii) If  $X$  contains an identity element then every interior ideal of  $X$  is an ideal.

(iii) Any left (right, two-sided) ideal of  $X$  is a bi-ideal.

*Proof.* It is clear by the definitions.

If  $I$  is a single side ideal of a subtraction semigroup  $X$  then  $I$  is not an interior ideal of  $X$ . For example, the sets  $A_a$  and  $aX$  in Example 1.7 are not interior ideals generally.

*Definition 2.4.* For a fuzzy set  $\mu$  in  $X$ , consider the following axioms:

- (i)  $\mu(x-y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$ ,
- (ii)  $\mu(xy) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Then  $\mu$  is called a fuzzy subalgebra of  $X$  if it satisfies (i), and  $\mu$  is called a fuzzy subsemigroup of  $X$  if it satisfies (ii).

Let  $A$  be a non-empty subset of  $X$  and  $\mu_A$  be a fuzzy set in  $X$  defined by

$$\mu_A(x) = \begin{cases} s, & \text{if } x \in A \\ t, & \text{if } x \notin A \end{cases} \quad (2.1)$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $s, t \in [0, 1]$  with  $s > t$ .

*Theorem 2.5.* Let  $A$  be a non-empty subset of  $X$  and  $\mu_A$  be a fuzzy set in  $X$  defined in (2.1). Then

- (i)  $A$  is a subalgebra of  $X$  if and only if  $\mu_A$  is a fuzzy subalgebra of  $X$
- (ii)  $A$  is a subsemigroup of  $X$  if and only if  $\mu_A$  is a fuzzy subsemigroup of  $X$ .

*Proof.* (i) Let  $x, y \in X$ . If  $x, y \in A$ , then  $\mu_A(x-y) = s = \mu_A(x) = \mu_A(y)$  since  $x-y \in A$ . If  $x \notin A$  or  $y \notin A$ , then  $\mu_A(x) = t$  or  $\mu_A(y) = t$ . Hence  $\mu_A(x-y) \geq t = \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$  by the definition of  $\mu_A$ . Hence  $\mu_A$  is a fuzzy subalgebra of  $X$ . Conversely, let  $x, y \in A$ . Then since  $\mu_A(x-y) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\} = s$ , we have  $\mu_A(x-y) = s$  and so  $x-y \in A$ .

- (ii) Similar to the proof of (i).

*Definition 2.6.* [12] A fuzzy set  $\mu$  in  $X$  is called a fuzzy ideal of  $X$  if it satisfies the following axioms:

- (FI1)  $\mu(x-y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$ ,
  - (FI2)  $\mu(xy) \geq \mu(y)$ ,
  - (FI3)  $\mu(xy) \geq \mu(x)$
- for all  $x, y \in X$ .

Note that  $\mu$  is called a fuzzy left ideal of  $X$  if it satisfies (FI1) and (FI2), and  $\mu$  is called a fuzzy right ideal of  $X$  if it satisfies (FI1) and (FI3).

*Example 2.7.* Let  $X=\{0,a,b,c\}$  in which "-" and "." are defined by the following table:

-	0	a	b	c
0	0	0	0	0
a	a	0	a	0
b	b	b	0	0
c	c	b	a	0

.	0	a	b	c
0	0	0	0	0
a	0	a	0	a
b	0	0	b	b
c	0	a	b	c

Then  $(X;-,.)$  is a subtraction semigroup ([4]). Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy set on  $X$  defined by  $\mu(0)=0.8, \mu(a)=0.5, \mu(b)=0.3, \mu(c)=0.1$ . Then it is easy to see that  $\mu$  is a fuzzy ideal of  $X$ .

*Proposition 2.8.* Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy ideal in  $X$ . Then  $\mu(0) \geq \mu(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ .

*Proof.* Using (FI2), we have  $\mu(0) = \mu(0x) \geq \mu(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ .

For the sake of completeness, we give the following theorems which are special cases of the Theorem 3.3 and Theorem 3.4 in [12].

*Theorem 2.9.* Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy left (right) ideal in  $X$ . Then the set  $I_\mu = \{x \in X : \mu(x) = \mu(0)\}$  is a left (right) ideal of  $X$ .

*Theorem 2.10.* The subset  $A$  of  $X$  is an ideal of  $X$  if and only if  $\mu_A$  defined by in (2.1), is a fuzzy ideal of  $X$ . Moreover  $I_{\mu_A} = A$ .

*Corollary 2.11.* Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy subset in  $X$ . If a non-empty level subset  $U$  of  $\mu$  is an ideal of  $X$ , then  $\mu_U$  is a fuzzy ideal of  $X$ .

*Theorem 2.12.* [5] Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy subset in  $X$ .  $\mu$  is a fuzzy ideal of  $X$  if and only if any non-empty level subset  $U$  of  $\mu$  is an ideal of  $X$ .

*Definition 2.13.* For a fuzzy set  $\mu$  in  $X$ , consider the following axiom:

$$(FII2) \mu(xay) \geq \mu(a)$$

for all  $x,y,a \in X$ .  $\mu$  is called a fuzzy interior ideal (FII) of  $X$  if it satisfies FI1 and FII2.

*Proposition 2.14.* Every FI of  $X$  is a FII.

*Proof.* By (FI2) and (FI3), we have  $\mu(xay) = \mu((xa)y) \geq \mu(xa) \geq \mu(a)$  for all  $x,y,a \in X$ .

*Theorem 2.15.*  $A$  is an interior ideal of  $X$  if and only if  $\mu_A$  is a fuzzy interior ideal of  $X$ .

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be an interior ideal of  $X$  and denote  $\mu_A = \mu$ . Let  $x, a, y \in X$ . If  $a \in A$ , we have  $xay \in A$  since  $A$  is interior ideal of  $X$ . So we get  $\mu(xay) = \mu(a)$ . If  $a \notin A$ , then by the definition of  $\mu$ ,  $\mu(xay) \geq \mu(a)$ . Since  $A$  is also a subalgebra of  $X$ , by Theorem 2.5 (i),  $\mu$

satisfies (FI1). Conversely, let  $\mu$  is a FII of  $X$ . By Theorem 2.5 (i),  $A$  is a subalgebra. Now let  $xay$  be any element of  $XAX$ . Then since  $a \in A$  and  $\mu$  is FII of  $X$ , we have  $\mu(xay) \geq \mu(a) = s$  and hence we get  $\mu(xay) = s$ . So it is obtained that  $xay \in A$ .

*Theorem 2.16.* Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy set of  $X$ . If  $\mu$  is a FII of  $X$ , then each non-empty level set  $U = U(\mu; t)$  ( $0 \leq t \leq 1$ ) of  $X$  is an interior ideal of  $X$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy interior ideal of  $X$  and  $U = U(\mu; t) = \{x \in X : \mu(x) \geq t\}$  for any  $t$  where  $0 \leq t \leq 1$  be a level set of  $\mu$ . For  $x, y \in U$ , since  $\mu(x) \geq t$  and  $\mu(y) \geq t$  and  $\mu$  satisfies (FI1), we get  $\mu(x-y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\} \geq t$ . Hence  $U$  is a subalgebra of  $X$ . For all  $x, z \in X$  and  $y \in U$  we have  $\mu(xyz) \geq \mu(y) \geq t$ . So we obtain  $xyz \in U$ , that is,  $XUX \subseteq U$ .

*Definition 2.17.* A fuzzy set  $\mu$  in  $X$  is called a fuzzy bi-ideal (FBI) of  $X$  if it satisfies (FI1) and the following condition:

$$(BI2) \mu(xyz) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(z)\}$$

for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

*Proposition 2.18.* Every FI of  $X$  is an FBI of  $X$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\mu$  be a FI of  $X$ . Then we get  $\mu(xyz) = \mu((xy)z) \geq \mu(z)$  and  $\mu(xyz) = \mu(x(yz)) \geq \mu(x)$ . Hence we can write  $\mu(xyz) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(z)\}$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

*Theorem 2.19.* Let  $Y$  be a non-empty subset of  $X$  and  $\mu_Y$  be a fuzzy set of  $X$  defined by (2.1). Then  $Y$  is a bi-ideal of  $X$  if and only if  $\mu_Y$  is a FBI of  $X$ .

*Proof.* Denote  $\mu_Y = \mu$ . Let  $x, w, y \in X$ . If  $x, y \in Y$ , we have  $xwy \in Y$  since  $Y$  is a bi-ideal. So we get  $\mu(xwy) = s = \mu(x) = \mu(y) = \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$ . If  $x \notin Y$  or  $y \notin Y$ , then by the definition of  $\mu$ , we have  $\mu(xwy) \geq t = \mu(x) = \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$  (or  $\mu(xwy) \geq t = \mu(y) = \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$ ). Since  $Y$  is also a subalgebra of  $X$ , by Theorem 2.5 (i),  $\mu$  satisfies (FI1). Conversely, let  $\mu$  is a FBI of  $X$ . By Theorem 2.5 (i),  $Y$  is a subalgebra. For all  $x, y \in Y$  and  $w \in X$ , we have  $\mu(xwy) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\} = s$  and hence we get  $\mu(xwy) = s$ . So it is obtained that  $xwy \in Y$ , that is,  $YXY \subseteq Y$ .

*Theorem 2.20.* Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy set of  $X$ . If  $\mu$  is a FBI of  $X$ , then each non-empty level set  $U = U(\mu; t)$  ( $0 \leq t \leq 1$ ) of  $X$  is a bi-ideal of  $X$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\mu$  be a FBI of  $X$  and  $U = U(\mu; t) = \{x \in X : \mu(x) \geq t\}$  for any  $t$  where  $0 \leq t \leq 1$  be a level set of  $\mu$ . We have that  $U$  is a subalgebra of  $X$  as in the proof of Theorem 2.16. For all  $x, z \in U$  and  $y \in X$ , we have  $\mu(xyz) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(z)\} \geq t$ . So we obtain  $xyz \in U$ , that is,  $UXU \subseteq U$ .

### 3. Intuitionistic Fuzzy Interior Ideals and Intuitionistic Fuzzy Bi-ideals

*Definition 3.1.* For an IFS  $A = (\mu, \gamma)$  in  $X$ , consider the following axioms:

$$(S1) \mu(x-y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\},$$

- (S2)  $\gamma(x-y) \leq \max\{\gamma(x), \gamma(y)\}$ ,
- (S3)  $\mu(xy) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$ ,
- (S4)  $\gamma(xy) \leq \max\{\gamma(x), \gamma(y)\}$ .

Then A is called intuitionistic fuzzy subalgebra (IFSA) of X if it satisfies (S1) and (S2) and A is called intuitionistic fuzzy subsemigroup (IFSS) of X if it satisfies (S3) and (S4).

*Theorem 3.2. Let Y be a non-empty subset of X and  $A=(\mu, \gamma)$  be an IFS of X defined by, for all  $x \in X$ ,*

$$\mu(x) = \begin{cases} s, & \text{if } x \in Y \\ t, & \text{if } x \notin Y \end{cases}, \quad \gamma(x) = \begin{cases} s, & \text{if } x \notin Y \\ t, & \text{if } x \in Y \end{cases}$$

(3.1)

where  $s, t \in [0, 1]$ ,  $0 \leq s + t \leq 1$  and  $s > t$ . Then

- (i) *If Y is a subalgebra of X if and only if A is an IFSA of X,*
- (ii) *If Y is a subsemigroup of X if and only if A is an IFSS of X.*

*Proof.* (i) Let Y be a subalgebra of X and  $x, y \in X$ . If  $x, y \in Y$ , then since  $x-y \in Y$ , we have  $\mu(x-y) = s = \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$  and  $\gamma(x-y) = t = \max\{\gamma(x), \gamma(y)\}$ . If at least one of x and y does not belong to Y, then by the definition of  $\mu$  and  $\gamma$ , we have  $\mu(x-y) \geq t = \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$  and  $\gamma(x-y) \leq s = \max\{\gamma(x), \gamma(y)\}$ . So (S1) and (S2) are satisfied. Conversely, let  $x, y \in Y$ . Since A satisfies (S2) and  $\gamma(x-y) \leq \max\{\gamma(x), \gamma(y)\} = t$ , we have  $\gamma(x-y) = t$  by the definition of  $\gamma$ . Hence we have  $x-y \in Y$ .

(ii) Let Y be a subsemigroup of X and  $x, y \in X$ . If  $x, y \in Y$ , then since  $xy \in Y$ , we have  $\mu(xy) = s = \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$  and  $\gamma(xy) = t = \max\{\gamma(x), \gamma(y)\}$ . If at least one of x and y does not belong to Y, then by the definition of  $\mu$  and  $\gamma$ , we have  $\mu(xy) \geq t = \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$  and  $\gamma(xy) \leq s = \max\{\gamma(x), \gamma(y)\}$ . So (S3) and (S4) are satisfied. Conversely, let  $x, y \in Y$ . Since A satisfies (S3) and  $\mu(xy) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\} = s$ , we have  $\mu(xy) = s$  by the definition of  $\mu$ . Hence we have  $xy \in Y$ .

*Definition 3.3.* An IFS  $A=(\mu, \gamma)$  in X is called an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal (IFI) of X if it satisfies (S1), (S2) and the following conditions:

- (S5)  $\mu(xy) \geq \mu(y)$ ,
- (S6)  $\gamma(xy) \leq \gamma(y)$ ,
- (S7)  $\mu(xy) \geq \mu(x)$ ,
- (S8)  $\gamma(xy) \leq \gamma(x)$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

Note that A is an intuitionistic fuzzy left ideal (IFLI) of X if it satisfies (S1), (S2), (S5), (S6) and A is an intuitionistic fuzzy right ideal (IFRI) of X if it satisfies (S1), (S2), (S7), (S8).

*Theorem 3.4. Let  $A=(\mu, \gamma)$  be an IFLI of X. Then the set*

$$X_A = \{x \in X : \mu(x) = \mu(0), \gamma(x) = \gamma(0)\}$$

is a left ideal of  $X$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x, y \in X_A$ . Then since  $\mu(x-y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\} = \mu(0)$  and  $\mu(0) = \mu(0(x-y)) \geq \mu(x-y)$ , we get  $\mu(x-y) = \mu(0)$ . Also, since  $\gamma(x-y) \leq \max\{\gamma(x), \gamma(y)\} = \gamma(0)$  and  $\gamma(0) = \gamma(0(x-y)) \leq \gamma(x-y)$ , we have  $\gamma(x-y) = \gamma(0)$ . Hence  $x-y \in X_A$ .

For all  $a \in X$  and  $x \in X_A$ , since  $\mu(ax) \geq \mu(x) = \mu(0)$ ,  $\mu(0) = \mu(0(ax)) \geq \mu(ax)$ ,  $\gamma(ax) \leq \gamma(x) = \gamma(0)$  and  $\gamma(0) = \gamma(0(ax)) \leq \gamma(ax)$ , we have  $\mu(ax) = \mu(0)$  and  $\gamma(ax) = \gamma(0)$ . Hence  $ax \in X_A$ . So  $X_A$  is a left ideal of  $X$ .

Similarly, the Theorem 3.4 can be proved for the right case.

*Theorem 3.5.* Let  $Y$  be a non-empty subset of  $X$  and  $A = (\mu, \gamma)$  be an IFS of  $X$  defined by (3.1). Then  $A$  is an IFI of  $X$  if and only if  $Y$  is an ideal of  $X$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $A$  is an IFI of  $X$ . By Theorem 3.2 (i),  $Y$  is a subalgebra of  $X$ . For all  $y \in Y$  and  $x \in X$ , since  $\gamma(xy) \leq \gamma(y) = t$ , we have  $\gamma(xy) = t$  by the definition of  $\gamma$ . Hence we have  $xy \in Y$ . Similarly, it is obtained that  $yx \in Y$  for all  $y \in Y$  and  $x \in X$ . So  $Y$  is an ideal of  $X$ . Conversely, let  $Y$  be an ideal of  $X$  and  $x, y \in X$ . By Theorem 3.2, (S1) and (S2) are satisfied. Also, if at least one of  $x$  and  $y$  belong to  $Y$ , since  $Y$  is an ideal of  $X$ , we have  $xy \in Y$  and so we get  $\mu(xy) = s \geq \mu(x)$  (or  $\mu(y)$ ) and  $\gamma(xy) = t \leq \gamma(x)$  (or  $\gamma(y)$ ). If both  $x$  and  $y$  does not belong to  $Y$ , then we obtain  $\mu(xy) \geq t = \mu(x) = \mu(y)$  and  $\gamma(xy) \leq s = \gamma(x) = \gamma(y)$ . Hence (S5)-(S8) are satisfied, and  $A$  is an IFI of  $X$ .

*Definition 3.6.* An IFS  $A = (\mu, \gamma)$  in  $X$  is called an intuitionistic fuzzy interior ideal (IFII) of  $X$  if it satisfies (S1), (S2) and the following conditions:

- (II1)  $\mu(xay) \geq \mu(a)$ ,
  - (II2)  $\gamma(xay) \leq \gamma(a)$
- for all  $x, a, y \in X$ .

*Theorem 3.7.* Every IFI of  $X$  is an IFII.

*Proof.* Let  $A = (\mu, \gamma)$  be an IFI of  $X$ . Then  $A$  satisfies (S1), (S2) and (S5)-(S8). In (S5) and (S6), if we write  $ay$  instead of  $y$  and use (S7) and (S8), we have  $\mu(xay) \geq \mu(ay) \geq \mu(a)$  and  $\gamma(xay) \leq \gamma(ay) \leq \gamma(a)$ .

*Theorem 3.8.* If  $X$  is a regular subtraction semigroup, then every IFII of  $X$  is an IFI.

*Proof.* It is clear by (S1), (S2) and Theorem 3.10 in [8].

*Theorem 3.9.* Let  $Y$  be a non-empty subset of  $X$  and  $A = (\mu, \gamma)$  be an IFS of  $X$  defined by (3.1). Then  $Y$  is an interior ideal of  $X$  if and only if  $A = (\mu, \gamma)$  is an IFII of  $X$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x, a, y \in X$ . If  $a \in Y$ , we have  $xay \in Y$  since  $Y$  is an interior ideal. So we get  $\mu(xay) = s = \mu(a)$  and  $\gamma(xay) = t = \gamma(a)$ . If  $a \notin Y$ , then, by the definition of  $\mu$  and  $\gamma$ ,



$\mu(xay) \geq t = \mu(a)$  and  $\gamma(xay) \leq s = \gamma(a)$ . Since  $Y$  is also a subalgebra of  $X$ , by Theorem 3.2 (i),  $A$  satisfies (S1) and (S2). Conversely, let  $A = (\mu, \gamma)$  is an IFII of  $X$ . By Theorem 3.2 (i),  $Y$  is a subalgebra of  $X$ . Now let  $xay$  be any element of  $XYX$ . Then since  $a \in Y$  and  $A$  is an IFII of  $X$ , we have  $\mu(xay) \geq \mu(a) = s$  and hence we get  $\mu(xay) = s$ . So it is obtained that  $xay \in Y$ .

*Definition 3.10.* An IFS  $A = (\mu, \gamma)$  in  $X$  is called an intuitionistic fuzzy bi-ideal (IFBI) of  $X$  if it satisfies (S1), (S2) and the following conditions:

$$(BI1) \mu(xwy) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\},$$

$$(BI2) \gamma(xwy) \leq \max\{\gamma(x), \gamma(y)\}$$

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

*Theorem 3.11.* Let  $Y$  be a non-empty subset of  $X$  and  $A = (\mu, \gamma)$  be an IFS of  $X$  defined by (3.1). Then  $Y$  is a bi-ideal of  $X$  if and only if  $A = (\mu, \gamma)$  is an IFBI of  $X$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x, w, y \in X$ . If  $x, y \in Y$ , we have  $xwy \in Y$  since  $Y$  is a bi-ideal. So we get  $\mu(xwy) = s = \mu(x) = \mu(y) = \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$  and  $\gamma(xwy) = t = \gamma(x) = \gamma(y) = \max\{\gamma(x), \gamma(y)\}$ . If  $x \notin Y$  or  $y \notin Y$ , then by the definition of  $\mu$  and  $\gamma$ , we obtain  $\mu(xwy) \geq t = \mu(x) = \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$  (or  $\mu(xwy) \geq t = \mu(y) = \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$ ) and  $\gamma(xwy) \leq s = \gamma(x) = \max\{\gamma(x), \gamma(y)\}$  (or  $\gamma(y) = \max\{\gamma(x), \gamma(y)\}$ ). Since  $Y$  is also subalgebra of  $X$ , by Theorem 3.2 (i),  $A$  satisfies (S1) and (S2). Conversely, let  $A = (\mu, \gamma)$  is an IFBI of  $X$ . By Theorem 3.2 (i),  $Y$  is a subalgebra. Now let  $xwy$  be any element of  $YXY$ . Then since  $x, y \in Y$  and  $A$  is an IFBI of  $X$ , we have  $\mu(xwy) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\} = s$  and hence we get  $\mu(xwy) = s$ . So it is obtained that  $xwy \in Y$ .

Let  $Y$  be a non-empty subset of  $X$  and  $\chi$  be the characteristic function of  $Y$ . Then  $A = (\chi, \chi')$  where  $\chi' = 1 - \chi$  is special case of  $A$  defined by (3.1). Therefore  $A = (\chi, \chi')$  satisfies all proved Theorems about  $A$  defined by (3.1).

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