

*L***-Fuzzy Ideals in Couple** Γ**-Semirings**

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Abstract

Let *M* be a Γ-semiring. In this paper we obtain some properties of *L*-fuzzy ideals in $M \times M$. Our results take inspiration from [1]. The readers are left with a conjecture.

1. Introduction and Preliminaries

Definition 1.1 [1]**.** A *partially ordered set (poset)* is a pair (X, \leq) , where *X* is a nonempty set and \leq is a partial order (a reflexive, transitive, and antisymmetric binary relation) on *X*.

Definition 1.2 [1]. For any subset *A* of *X* and $x \in X$, we say *x* is a *lower bound* (*upper bound*) of *A* if $x \le a$ ($a \le x$ respectively) for all $a \in A$.

Definition 1.3 [1]. A poset (X, \leq) is called a *lattice* if every nonempty finite subset of *X* has a greater lower bound (glb or infimum) and a least upper bound (lub or supremum) in *X*.

Remark 1.4 [1]. Let (X, \leq) be a lattice. For any $a, b \in X$, define $a \wedge b =$ inf{*a*, *b*} and $a \vee b = \sup\{a, b\}$, then \wedge and \vee are binary operations on *X* which are commutative, associative, and idempotent and satisfy the absorption law $a \wedge (a \vee b) = a = a \vee (a \wedge b).$

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Example 1.5 [1]. Let (X, \wedge, \vee) be an algebraic system satisfying the properties in the previous remark, in which the partial order is defined by

$$
a \le b \Leftrightarrow a = a \wedge b \Leftrightarrow a \vee b = b,
$$

then (X, \wedge, \vee) is a lattice.

Definition 1.6 [1]. A lattice (X, \wedge, \vee) is called *distributive* if $a \wedge (b \vee c)$ = $(a \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge c)$ for all *a*, *b*, $c \in X$ (equivalently $a \vee (b \wedge c) = (a \vee b) \wedge (a \vee c)$ for all $a, b, c \in X$).

Definition 1.7 [1]. A lattice (X, \wedge, \vee) is called a *bounded lattice* if it has the smallest element 0 and largest element 1, that is, there are elements 0 and 1 in *X*, such that $0 \leq x \leq 1$ for all $x \in X$.

Definition 1.8 [1]**.** A partially ordered set in which every subset has an infimum and supremum is called a *complete lattice*

Definition 1.9 [1]. Two elements *a*, *b* of a bounded lattice $(L, \wedge, \vee, 0, 1)$ are *complements* if $a \wedge b = 0$ and $a \vee b = 1$. In this case each of *a*, *b* is the complement of the other.

Definition 1.10 [1]. A complement lattice is a bounded lattice in which every element has a complement.

Definition 1.11 [2]**.** A set *S* together with two associative binary operations called *addition* and *multiplication* (denoted by + and ·) is called a *semiring* provided the following holds:

- (a) addition is a commutative operation,
- (b) multiplication distributes over addition both from the left and from the right,

(c) there exists $0 \in S$ such that $x + 0 = x$ and $x \cdot 0 = 0 \cdot x = 0$ for each $x \in S$.

Definition 1.12 [2]. Let $(M, +)$ and $(\Gamma, +)$ be commutative semigroups. If there exists a mapping $M \times \Gamma \times M \mapsto M$ (images to be denoted by $x \alpha y$, $x, y \in M$, $\alpha \in \Gamma$) satisfying the following axioms for all *x*, *y*, $z \in M$ and α , $\beta \in \Gamma$, then *M* is called a Γ-semiring

- (a) $x\alpha(y + z) = x\alpha y + x\alpha z$,
- (b) $(x + y)\alpha z = x\alpha z + y\alpha z$,
- (c) $x(\alpha + \beta)y = x\alpha y + x\beta y$,
- (d) $x\alpha(y\beta z) = (x\alpha y)\beta z$.

Definition 1.13 [2]**.** A Γ-semiring *M* is said to have a zero element if there exists an element $0 \in M$ such that $0 + x = x = x + 0$ and $0 \alpha x = x \alpha 0 = 0$, for all $x \in M$.

Example 1.14 [2]. Every semiring *M* is a Γ-semiring with $\Gamma = M$ and ternary operation as the usual semiring multiplication.

Example 1.15 [2]**.** Let *M* be a Γ-semiring, and *A* be a nonempty subset of *M*. *A* is called a Γ-subsemiring of *M* if *A* is a sub-semigroup of $(M, +)$ and $A\Gamma A \subseteq A$.

Definition 1.16 [2]**.** Let *M* be a Γ-semiring. A subset *A* of *M* is called a *left* (*right*) *ideal* of *M* if *A* is closed under addition and $M\Gamma A \subseteq A$ ($A\Gamma M \subseteq A$). Moreover, we say *A* is an ideal of *M* if it is both a left ideal and right ideal.

Definition 1.17 [3]. Let *M* be a nonempty set, a mapping $f : M \mapsto [0, 1]$ is called a *fuzzy subset* of *M*.

Definition 1.18 [3]. Let *f* be a fuzzy subset of a nonempty set *M*, for $t \in [0, 1]$, the set

$$
f_t = \{x \in M : f(x) \ge t\}
$$

is called a *level subset* of *M* with respect to *f*.

Definition 1.19 [4]**.** Let *M* be a Γ-semiring. A fuzzy subset µ of *M* is said to be a *fuzzy* Γ-*subsemiring* of *M* if it satisfies the following conditions

(a) $\mu(x + y) \ge \min{\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}},$

(b) $\mu(x\alpha y) \ge \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}\$, for all $x, y \in M$, $\alpha \in \Gamma$.

Definition 1.20 [4]. Let *M* be a Γ -semiring. A fuzzy subset μ of *M* is said to be a *fuzzy left* (*right*) *ideal* of *M* if for all $x, y \in M$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$ the following conditions hold

(a) $\mu(x + y) \ge \min{\mu(x), \mu(y)},$

(b) $\mu(x\alpha y) \geq \mu(y)(\mu(x)).$

Definition 1.21 [4]. Let *M* be a Γ -semiring. A fuzzy subset μ of *M* is said to be a *fuzzy ideal* of *M* if for all $x, y \in M$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$ the following conditions hold

- (a) $\mu(x + y) \ge \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\},\$
- (b) $\mu(x\alpha y) \ge \max\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}.$

Definition 1.22 [2]**.** Let *M* be a Γ-semiring. An ideal *I* of *M* is called a *k*-*ideal* if for all $x, y \in M$, $x + y \in I$ and $y \in I$ implies $x \in I$.

Definition 1.23 [3]. Let *M* be a *Γ*-semiring. A fuzzy subset $\mu : M \mapsto [0, 1]$ is *nonempty* if μ is not the constant function.

Definition 1.24 [3]. Let *M* be a Γ-semiring. For any two fuzzy subsets λ , μ of *M*, $\lambda \subseteq \mu$ means $\lambda(x) \leq \mu(x)$ for all $x \in M$.

Definition 1.25 [4]**.** Let *M* be a Γ-semiring, and let *f*, *g* be fuzzy subsets of *M*. Then $f \circ g$ is defined as

$$
(f \circ g)(z) = \begin{cases} \sup_{z = x\alpha y} \{\min\{f(x), g(y)\}\} \\ 0 \end{cases}
$$
 otherwise

 $f + g$ is defined as

 $(f+g)(z) = \begin{cases} \sup_{z=x+y} \{\min\{f(x), g(y)\}\} \\ 0 \end{cases}$ ∤ $+ g(z) = \begin{cases} \sup_{z=x+} \end{cases}$ 0 otherwise $f + g(z) = \begin{cases} \sup_{z=x+y} \{ \min \{ f(x), g(y) \} \} \end{cases}$

f ∪ *g* is defined as

$$
(f \cup g)(z) = \max\{f(z), g(z)\}\
$$

and $f \cap g$ is defined as

$$
(f \cap g)(z) = \min\{f(z), g(z)\}\
$$

 $x, y \in M, \alpha \in \Gamma$, for all $z \in M$.

Definition 1.26 [2]. A function $f: R \mapsto M$, where *R* and *M* are Γ-semirings is said to be a Γ-*semiring homomorphism* if $f(a + b) = f(a) + f(b)$ and $f(a\alpha b) = f(a)\alpha f(b)$ for all $a, b \in R$, and $\alpha \in \Gamma$.

Definition 1.27 [4]**.** Let *A* be a nonempty subset of a Γ-semiring *M*. The *characteristic function* of *A* is a fuzzy subset of *M*, and is defined by

$$
\chi_A(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in A \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}
$$

Definition 1.28 [4]**.** Let *M* be a Γ-semiring, "0" be the zero element in *M*, and *f* be a fuzzy ideal of *M*. We say *f* is a *k*-fuzzy ideal of *M* if $f(x + y) = f(0)$ and $f(y) = f(0)$ implies $f(x) = f(0)$ for all $x, y \in M$.

Definition 1.29 [4]**.** Let *M* be a Γ-semiring, and *f* be a fuzzy ideal of *M*. We say *f* is a fuzzy *k*-ideal of *M* if

$$
f(x) \ge \min\{f(x+y), f(y)\}\
$$

for all $x, y \in M$.

2. Main Results

Notation 2.1. $L = (L, \leq, \land, \lor)$ will denote a complemented lattice.

Notation 2.2. *M* will denote a Γ-semiring, and its zero element will be denoted "0".

Definition 2.3. A mapping $\mu : M \times M \mapsto L$ will be called a *L*-*fuzzy subset* of M^2 .

Definition 2.4. A *L* fuzzy subset µ of *M* × *M* will be called a *L*-*fuzzy* Γ-*subsemiring* of M^2 if the following conditions are satisfied:

(a) $\mu(x + y, z + m) \ge \min{\mu(x, z), \mu(y, m)},$

(b) $\mu(x\alpha y, z\alpha m) \ge \min\{\mu(x, z), \mu(y, m)\}\$, for all $(x, z), (y, m) \in M \times M$, $\alpha \in \Gamma$.

Definition 2.5. A *L*-fuzzy Γ-subsemiring of $M \times M$, μ , will be called a *L*-fuzzy *left* (*right*) *ideal* of M^2 if

$$
\mu(x\alpha y, z\alpha m) \ge \mu(y, m)(\mu(x, z)).
$$

Moreover if μ is a fuzzy left and fuzzy right ideal of $M \times M$, then μ will be called a *L*-fuzzy ideal of M^2 .

Theorem 2.6. *Let* μ *be a L-fuzzy ideal of M* × *M*. *Then* $\mu(x, y) \leq \mu(0, 0)$ *for all* $(x, y) \in M \times M$.

Proof. Let $(x, y) \in M \times M$, $\alpha \in \Gamma$. Now observe that $\mu(0, 0) = \mu(0\alpha x, 0\alpha y)$ $\geq \mu(x, y)$, therefore $\mu(x, y) \leq \mu(0, 0)$, for all $(x, y) \in M \times M$.

Theorem 2.7. μ *is a L-fuzzy left ideal of* M^2 *iff for* $t \in L$ *such that* $\mu_t \neq \emptyset$, μ_t *is a left ideal of* $M \times M$.

Proof. (\Rightarrow) Let μ be a *L*-fuzzy left ideal of $M \times M$ and $t \in L$ be such that $\mu_t \neq \emptyset$. Let (x, z) , $(y, m) \in \mu_t$, then it follows that

$$
\mu(x, z), \mu(y, m) \geq t
$$

⇒

$$
\mu(x+y, z+m) \ge \min\{\mu(x, z), \mu(y, m)\} \ge t.
$$

Let $(x, z) \in M \times M$, $(y, m) \in \mu_t$, and $\alpha \in \Gamma$, then $\mu(x\alpha y, z\alpha m) \ge \mu(y, m) \ge t$. It follows that $x\alpha y$, $z\alpha m \in \mu_t$. Therefore μ_t is a left ideal of $M \times M$.

(←) Suppose that μ_t is a left ideal of $M \times M$. Let (x, z) , $(y, m) \in M \times M$ and $t = \min\{\mu(x, z), \mu(y, m)\}\$. Then

$$
\mu(x, z), \mu(y, m) \geq t
$$

⇒

 $(x, z), (y, m) \in \mu_t$

⇒

$$
\mu(x+y, z+m) \ge t
$$

⇒

$$
\mu(x + y, z + m) \ge \min{\mu(x, z), \mu(y, m)}
$$
.

Now let (x, z) , $(y, m) \in M^2$.

 $\mu(v, m) = s$

 $(y, m) \in \mu_s$

⇒

⇒

$$
x\alpha y,\ z\alpha m\in\mu_s
$$

⇒

$$
\mu(x\alpha y, z\alpha m) \geq s = \mu(y, m).
$$

It follows that µ is a *L*-fuzzy left ideal.

Theorem 2.8. *Define* $M_{\mu} = \{(x, y) \in M \times M | \mu(x, y) \geq \mu(0, 0)\}$. If μ is a L-fuzzy ideal of $M \times M$, then M_{μ} is an ideal of M^2 .

Proof. Let μ be a *L*-fuzzy ideal of $M \times M$ and (x, z) , $(y, m) \in M_{\mu}$, then it follows that

$$
\mu(x, z) \ge \mu(0, 0), \mu(y, m) \ge \mu(0, 0)
$$

which implies that

$$
\mu(x + y, z + m) \ge \min\{\mu(x, z), \mu(y, m)\} \ge \mu(0, 0)
$$

which implies that

$$
(x+y, z+m)\in M_{\mu}.
$$

Now observe that

$$
\mu(x\alpha y, z\alpha m) \ge \min\{\mu(x, z), \mu(y, m)\} \ge \mu(0, 0)
$$

implies that

$$
(x\alpha y, z\alpha m)\in M_{\mu}.
$$

Now let $(x, z) \in M_{\mu}$, $(y, m) \in M$, and $\alpha \in \Gamma$, then it follows that

$$
\mu(x,\,z) \geq \mu(0,\,0)
$$

which implies

$$
m(y\alpha x, m\alpha z) \ge \mu(x, z) \ge \mu(0, 0)
$$

which implies

 $(y\alpha x, m\alpha z) \in M_{\mu}$.

Similarly, we have

$$
(x\alpha y, z\alpha m)\in M_{\mu}.
$$

It now follows that M_{μ} is an ideal of $M \times M$.

Theorem 2.9. *Let* μ *and* γ *be two L-fuzzy ideals of* $M \times M$ *, then* $\mu \cap \gamma$ *is a L-fuzzy ideal of* $M \times M$ *.*

Proof. Let (x, z) , $(y, m) \in M \times M$, and $\alpha \in \Gamma$, then we have the following

$$
(\mu \cap \gamma)(x + y, z + m) = \min{\mu(x + y, z + m), \gamma(x + y, z + m)}
$$

\n
$$
\geq \min{\{\min{\mu(x, z), \mu(y, m)\}, \min{\gamma(x, z), \gamma(y, m)\}}}
$$

\n
$$
= \min{\{\min{\mu(x, z), \gamma(x, z)\}, \min{\mu(y, m), \gamma(y, m)\}}}
$$

\n
$$
= \min{\{\mu \cap \gamma)(x, z), (\mu \cap \gamma)(y, m)\}}.
$$

On the other hand

$$
(\mu \cap \gamma)(x\alpha y, z\alpha m) = \min{\mu(x\alpha y, z\alpha m), \gamma(x\alpha y, z\alpha m)}
$$

\n
$$
\geq \min{\max{\mu(x, z), \mu(y, m)}, \max{\gamma(x, z), \gamma(y, m)}\}
$$

\n
$$
= \max{\min{\mu(x, z), \gamma(x, z)}, \min{\mu(y, m), \gamma(y, m)}\}
$$

\n
$$
= \max{\mu \cap \gamma(x, z), (\mu \cap \gamma)(y, m)}.
$$

It now follows that $\mu \cap \gamma$ is a *L*-fuzzy ideal of $M \times M$.

Definition 2.10. Let *M* be a Γ-semiring, and μ be a *L*-fuzzy ideal of $M \times M$. We say μ is a *L*-*fuzzy k ideal* of M^2 if

$$
\mu(x, z) \ge \min\{\mu(x+y, z+m), \mu(y, m)\}\
$$

for all *x*, *y*, *z*, $m \in M$. Moreover, if $\mu(x + y, z + m) = 0$, $\mu(y, m) = 0 \Rightarrow \mu(x, z) = 0$, then we say μ is a $L - k$ *fuzzy ideal* of $M \times M$.

Theorem 2.11. Let M be a Γ -semiring, and let f and g be L-fuzzy k ideals of M^2 . *Then* $f \bigcap g$ is a *L*-fuzzy *k* ideal of M^2 .

Proof. Let *M* be a Γ-semiring, and let *f* and *g* be *L*-fuzzy *k* ideals of M^2 . By the previous theorem, $f \cap g$ is a *L*-fuzzy *k* ideal of M^2 . Let *x*, *y*, *z*, $m \in M$, and observe we have the following

$$
(f \cap g)(x, z) = \min\{f(x, z), g(x, z)\}
$$

\n
$$
\geq \min\{\min\{f(x + y, z + m), f(y, m)\}, \min\{g(x + y, z + m), g(y, m)\}\}
$$

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$$
\geq \min\{\min\{f(x + y, z + m), g(x + y, z + m)\}, \min\{f(y, m), g(y, m)\}\}
$$

\n
$$
= \min\{(f \cap g)(x + y, z + m), (f \cap g)(y, m)\}.
$$

Hence $f \bigcap g$ is a *L* fuzzy *k* ideal of $M \times M$.

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Definition 2.12. Let *X* be a set and μ be a *L*-fuzzy subset of $X \times X$, and $a, b \in L$. The mapping $\mu_a^T : X \times X \mapsto L$, $\mu_b^M : X \times X \mapsto L$, and $\mu_{b,a}^{MT} : X \times X \mapsto L$ will be called a *fuzzy type translation*, a *fuzzy type multiplication*, and a *fuzzy type magnified translation* of μ respectively, if for all $x, z \in M$,

$$
\mu_a^T(x, z) = \mu(x, z) \lor a
$$

$$
\mu_b^M(x, z) = b \land \mu(x, z)
$$

$$
\mu_{b,a}^{MT}(x, z) = (b \land \mu(x, z)) \lor a.
$$

Theorem 2.13. Let M be a Γ -semiring, and let μ be a L-fuzzy subset of $M \times M$, and *let* $a \in L$. μ *is a L-fuzzy ideal of* $M \times M$ *iff* μ_a^T *is a L-fuzzy ideal of* $M \times M$.

Proof. (\Rightarrow) Suppose μ is a L-fuzzy ideal of $M \times M$. Let *x*, *y*, *z*, $m \in M$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$. Now observe we have the following

$$
\mu_a^T(x + y, z + m) = \mu(x + y, z + m) \lor a
$$

\n
$$
\geq \min{\mu(x, z), \mu(y, m)} \lor a
$$

$$
= \min\{\mu(x, z) \lor a, \mu(y, m) \lor a\}
$$

$$
= \min\{\mu_a^T(x, z), \mu_a^T(y, m)\}.
$$

On the other hand

$$
\mu_a^T(x\alpha y, z\alpha m) = \mu(x\alpha y, z\alpha m) \vee a
$$

\n
$$
\geq \min{\mu(x, z), \mu(y, m)} \vee a
$$

\n
$$
= \min{\mu(x, z) \vee a, \mu(y, m) \vee a}
$$

\n
$$
= \min{\mu_a^T(x, z), \mu_a^T(y, m)}.
$$

It now follows that μ_a^T is a *L*-fuzzy ideal of $M \times M$.

(←) Suppose that $a \in L$, μ_a^T is a *L*-fuzzy ideal of $M \times M$. Let *x*, *y*, *z*, $m \in M$ and α ∈ Γ. Now

$$
\mu_a^T(x + y, z + m) \ge \min\{\mu_a^T(x, z), \mu_a^T(y, m)\}\
$$

⇒

$$
\mu(x + y, z + m) \lor a \ge \min\{\mu(x, z) \lor a, \mu(y, m) \lor a\}
$$

 $\mu(x + y, z + m) \vee a \ge \min\{\mu(x, z), \mu(y, m)\} \vee a$

⇒

⇒

$$
\mu(x+y, z+m) \geq \min\{\mu(x, z), \mu(y, m)\}.
$$

On the other hand

$$
\mu_a^T(x\alpha y, z\alpha m) \ge \max\{\mu_a^T(x, z), \mu_a^T(y, m)\}\
$$

⇒

$$
\mu(x\alpha y, z\alpha m) \vee a \ge \max\{\mu(x, z) \vee a, \mu(y, m) \vee a\}
$$

⇒

$$
\mu(x\alpha y, z\alpha m) \vee a \ge \max\{\mu(x, z), \mu(y, m)\} \vee a
$$

⇒

$$
\mu(x\alpha y, z\alpha m) \ge \max\{\mu(x, z), \mu(y, m)\}.
$$

It now follows that μ is a *L*-fuzzy ideal of $M \times M$.

3. Open Problem

Conjecture 3.1. Let M be a Γ -semiring, and let μ be a L-fuzzy subset of $M \times M$, *and* $a \in L$. Then μ *is a L*-*fuzzy k ideal of* $M \times M$ *iff* μ_a^T *is a L*-*fuzzy k ideal of* $M \times M$.

4. Concluding Remarks

The present paper has introduced a concept of *L*-fuzzy ideals in couple Γ-semirings, and investigated some of their properties. Finally, we have a left the reader with an open problem inspired by Theorem 3.20 [1].

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