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ANTI FUZZY IDEALS IN TERNARY SEMIGROUPS

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Copyright © 2015 Essam. H. Hamouda. This is an open access article distributed under the Creative Commons Attribution License, which permits unrestricted use, distribution, and reproduction in any medium, provided the original work is properly cited. **Abstract.** We consider the ternary semigroup \underline{S} of the fuzzy points of a ternary semigroup S, and discuss the relation between some anti fuzzy ideals of a ternary semigroup S and subsets \underline{A} of the semigroup \underline{S} .

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1. Introduction

The concept of fuzzy set was initiated by L. Zadeh[14]. The study of fuzzy algebraic structures started with the introduction of the concepts of fuzzy groups in the pioneering paper of Rosenfeld [13]. Kuroki [6, 7, 8, 9] defined a fuzzy semigroup and various kinds of fuzzy ideals in semigroups and characterized them. M. Santiago and S. Bala developed the theory of ternary semigroups[12]. Kar and Sarkar defined fuzzy left (right, lateral) ideals of ternary semigroups and characterize regular and intra-regular ternary semigroups by using the concept of fuzzy ideals of ternary semigroups[3,4]. The concept of anti fuzzy interior ideals of ternary semigroups introduced in[2]. Kim considered the semigroup <u>S</u> of the fuzzy points of a semigroup S, and discussed the relation between some fuzzy ideals of a semigroup S and the subsets of <u>S</u> [5]. Hamouda considered the ternary semigroups of fuzzy points and investigated some relations between of ideals of fuzzy points and fuzzy ideals of ternary semigroups [1]. Based on the concept of anti fuzzy ideals of a ternary semigroups [13], in the present paper we consider the

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ternary semigroup \underline{S} of the fuzzy points in a ternary semigroup S, and discuss the relation between some anti fuzzy ideals of a ternary semigroup S and the subsets of \underline{S} .

2. Preliminaries

Definition 2.1[12] A ternary semigroup is a nonempty set S together with a ternary operation $(a, b, c) \rightarrow abc \ satisfying \ (abc)de = a(bcd)e = ab(cde) \ for \ all \ a; \ b; \ c; \ d; \ e \in S.$

Example 2.2 Let \mathbb{Z}^- be the set of all negative integers. Then with the usual ternary multiplication, \mathbb{Z}^- forms a ternary semigroup.

Definition 2.3 [3] A non-empty subset A of a ternary semigroup is called

- 1) A ternary subsemigroup if $A^3 = AAA \subseteq A$.
- 2) A left ideal of S if $SSA \subseteq A$.
- 3) A lateral ideal of S if $SAS \subseteq A$.
- 4) A right ideal of S if $ASS \subseteq A$.
- 5) An ideal of S if A is a left ideal, a lateral ideal and a right ideal of S.

Definition 2.4 [4] A ternary subsemigroup B of a ternary semigroup S is said to be a bi-ideal of S if $BSBSB \subseteq B$.

Definition 2.5 [10] A ternary subsemigroup B of a ternary semigroup S is called an interior ideal of S if $SSBSS \subseteq B$.

Example 2.6 Let $S = \{(0,0), (0,1), (1,0), (1,1)\}$. Then S is a ternary semigroup with respect to ternary multiplication defined by

$$(i,j)(k,l)(m,n) = (i,n).$$

Let $A = \{(0,0), (0,1)\}$ be a subset of S.Then A is a right ideal of S, but not a lateral ideal nor a left ideal because

in SAS,

 $(1,0)(0,1)(1,1) = (1,1) \notin A$,

in SSA,

$$(1,0)(1,1)(0,0) = (1,0) \notin A.$$

Let $B = \{(0,1), (1,1)\}$ be a subset of S. Then B is a left ideal of S, but not a lateral ideal nor a right ideal because

in SBS,

 $(1,0)(1,1)(1,0) = (1,0) \notin B$,

in BSS,

$$(0,0)(1,1)(0,0) = (0,0) \notin B.$$

A function f from S to the closed interval [0, 1] is called a *fuzzy set* in S. The ternary semigroup S itself is a fuzzy set in S such that S(x) = 1 for all $x \in S$.

Definition 2.7[13] Let f be a fuzzy set in a nonempty set S. For any $t \in [0,1]$; the subset $f_t = \{x \in S: f(x) \le t\}$ of S is called anti level subset of f.

Let A and B be two fuzzy sets in S. Then the inclusion relation $A \subseteq B$ is defined by $A(x) \leq B(x)$ for all $x \in S$. $A \cap B$ and $A \cup B$ are fuzzy sets in S defined by $(A \cap B)(x) = min\{A(x), B(x)\} = A(x) \wedge B(x), (A \cup B)(x) = max\{A(x), B(x)\} = A(x) \vee B(x)$, for all $x \in S$.

Definition 2.8 Let S be a non-empty set and $x \in S$, $t \in [0,1)$. An anti fuzzy point x_t of S is a fuzzy set in S, defined by,

$$x_t(y) = \begin{cases} t & if \ x = y, \\ 1 & otherwise, \end{cases}$$

for all $y \in S$.

Definition 2.9.[13] A non-empty fuzzy set A in a ternary semigroup S is called an anti fuzzy ternary subsemigroup of S if $A(xyz) \le A(x) \lor A(y) \lor A(z)$ for all $x, y, z \in S$.

Definition 2.10.[13] A non-empty fuzzy set A in a ternary semigroup S is called an anti fuzzy left (resp. lateral, right) ideal of S if $A(xyz) \le A(z)$ (resp. $A(xyz) \le A(y), A(xyz) \le A(x)$) for all $x, y, z \in S$.

If A is an anti fuzzy left ideal, a fuzzy lateral ideal and a fuzzy right ideal of S, then A is called an anti fuzzy ideal of S.

Definition 2.11.[13] An anti fuzzy ternary subsemigroup B in a ternary semigroup S is called an anti fuzzy interior ideal of S if $B(xsary) \leq B(a)$ for all $x, a, r, s, y \in S$.

Example 2.12. In example 2.6, $S = \{(0,0), (0,1), (1,0), (1,1)\}$ is a ternary semigroup and $A = \{(0,0), (0,1)\}$ is a right ideal of S. Define a fuzzy set f in S as follows:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0.6 & if \ x \in A; \\ 1 & otherwise. \end{cases}$$

It is clear that f is an anti fuzzy right ideal, but not an anti fuzzy lateral ideal nor an anti fuzzy left ideal because

$$f((1,1)(0,1)(1,1)) = f((1,1)) = 1 \leq f((0,1)) = 0.6,$$

and

$$f((1,1)(0,1)(0,1)) = f((1,1)) = 1 \leq f((0,1)) = 0.6,$$

Similarly, for the left ideal $B = \{(0,1), (1,1)\}$ we can define an anti fuzzy left ideal f which is neither an anti fuzzy lateral ideal nor an anti fuzzy right ideal.

3. Main Results

Let $\mathcal{F}(S)$ be the set of all fuzzy sets in a ternary semigroup *S*. For each *A*, *B*, *C* $\in \mathcal{F}(S)$, the anti product of *A*, *B*, *C* is a fuzzy set A * B * C defined as follows:

$$(A * B * C)(x) = \begin{cases} \bigwedge_{x=abc} \{A(a) \lor B(b) \lor C(c)\} & \text{if } abc = x \\ 1 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Proposition 3.1. ($\mathcal{F}(S)$, *) is a ternary semigroup.

Proof. It is obvious that $\mathcal{F}(S)$ is closed under the ternary operation *. Let A, B, C, E, F be fuzzy sets in $\mathcal{F}(S)$. Let x be any element of S such that it is not exprecible as product of three elements in S, then

((A * B * C) * E * F)(x) = 1 = (A * (B * C * E) * F)(x) = (A * B * C * (E * F))(x).If x = abc for some a, b, c in S, then

$$((A * B * C) * E * F)(x) = \bigwedge_{x=abc} \{((A * B * C)(a) \lor E(b) \lor F(c)\} =$$

$$= \bigwedge_{x=abc} \left\{ \bigwedge_{a=pqr} \{A(p) \lor B(q) \lor C(r)\} \lor E(b) \lor F(c) \right\}$$

$$= \bigwedge_{x=(pqr)bc} \{A(p) \lor B(q) \lor C(r)\} \lor E(b) \lor F(c)\}$$

$$= \bigwedge_{x=pq(rbc)} \{A(p) \lor B(q) \lor (C(r) \lor E(b) \lor F(c))\}$$

$$= \bigwedge_{x=abc} \left\{ \bigwedge_{w=rbc} A(p) \lor B(q) \lor (C * E * F)(w) \right\}$$

$$= (A * B * (C * E * F))(x)$$

In similar argument, we show that (A * B * (C * E * F))(x) = (A * (B * C * E) * F)(x). Hence $(\mathcal{F}(S), *)$ is a ternary semigroup. \Box

Let S be the set of all anti fuzzy points in a ternary semigroup S.

Proposition 3.2. If x_{α}, y_{β} and $z_{\gamma} \in \underline{S}$, then $x_{\alpha} * y_{\beta} * z_{\gamma} = (xyz)_{\alpha \lor \beta \lor \gamma}$.

Proof. Let $w \in S$. If $w \neq abc$ for any $a, b, c \in S$, then

$$(x_{\alpha} * y_{\beta} * z_{\gamma})(w) = 1 = (xyz)_{\alpha \lor \beta \lor \gamma}(w).$$

If w = abc for some $a, b, c \in S$, then we have

$$(x_{\alpha} * y_{\beta} * z_{\gamma})(w) = \bigwedge_{w=abc} \{x_{\alpha}(a) \lor y_{\beta}(b) \lor z_{\gamma}(c)\}$$

1) If x = a, y = b and z = c, then w = xyz and $x_{\alpha}(x) = \alpha, y_{\beta}(y) = \beta$ and $z_{\gamma}(z) = \gamma$. Therefore, $(x_{\alpha} * y_{\beta} * z_{\gamma})(w) = x_{\alpha}(x) \lor y_{\beta}(y) \lor z_{\gamma}(z) = \alpha \lor \beta \lor \gamma = (xyz)_{\alpha \lor \beta \lor \gamma}$.

2) If either $x \neq a \text{ or } y \neq b$ or $z \neq c$, then either $x_{\alpha}(a) = 1 \text{ or } y_{\beta}(b) = 1$ or $z_{\gamma}(c) = 1$ and hence $(x_{\alpha} * y_{\beta} * z_{\gamma})(w) = 1 = (xyz)_{\alpha \lor \beta \lor \gamma}(w)$.

Therefore, we conclude that $x_{\alpha} * y_{\beta} * z_{\gamma} = (xyz)_{\alpha \lor \beta \lor \gamma}$. \Box

It is clear that $(x_{\alpha} * y_{\beta} * z_{\gamma}) * w_{\sigma} * u_{\tau} = x_{\alpha} * (y_{\beta} * z_{\gamma} * w_{\sigma}) * u_{\tau} = x_{\alpha} * y_{\beta} * (z_{\gamma} * w_{\sigma} * u_{\tau})$ for $x_{\alpha}, y_{\beta}, z_{\gamma}, w_{\sigma}, u_{\tau} \in \underline{S}$. Thus \underline{S} is a ternary subsemigroup of $\mathcal{F}(S)$. For any $A \in \mathcal{F}(S)$, we denote $\underline{A} = \{x_{\alpha} \in \underline{S}: A(x) \le \alpha\}$. For any $A, B, C \subseteq \underline{S}$, we define the product of A, Band C as $A * B * C = \{x_{\alpha} * y_{\beta} * z_{\gamma}: x_{\alpha} \in A, y_{\beta} \in B, z_{\gamma} \in C\}$.

Lemma 3.3. Let A, B and C be fuzzy sets in a ternary semigroup S. Then

- a) If $A \subseteq B$, then $\underline{B} \subseteq \underline{A}$.
- b) $\underline{A \cup B} = \underline{A} \cup \underline{B}$.
- $c) \quad \underline{A \cap B} = \underline{A} \cap \underline{B}.$
- $d) \quad \underline{A \ast B \ast C} \supseteq \underline{A} \ast \underline{B} \ast \underline{C}.$

Proof. (a) Straightforward.

b) Let $z_{\alpha} \in \underline{A \cup B}$, then

$$(A \cup B)(z) = A(z) \lor B(z) \le \alpha.$$

Hence, $A(z) \leq \alpha$ or $B(z) \leq \alpha$, that is, $z_{\alpha} \in \underline{A} \cup \underline{B}$. This implies that $\underline{A \cup B} \subseteq \underline{A} \cup \underline{B}$. Let $z_{\alpha} \in \underline{A} \cup \underline{B}$, then $(z) \leq \alpha$ or $B(z) \leq \alpha$ and hence $(A \cup B)(z) \leq \alpha$. This implies that $z_{\alpha} \in \underline{A \cup B}$ and consequently, $\underline{A} \cup \underline{B} \subseteq \underline{A \cup B}$. Therefore, $\underline{A \cup B} = \underline{A} \cup \underline{B}$.

(c) the proof is similar to (a), by considering the suitable modifications.

(d) Let $z \in Sandz_{\omega} \in \underline{A} * \underline{B} * \underline{C}$, then $z_{\omega} = a_{\alpha} * b_{\beta} * c_{\gamma}$ such that $a_{\alpha} \in \underline{A}$, $b_{\beta} \in \underline{B}$ and $c_{\gamma} \in \underline{C}$. If z = pqr for some $p, q, r \in S$, then $A(p) \leq a_{\alpha}(p)$, $B(q) \leq b_{\beta}(q)$ and $C(r) \leq c_{\gamma}(r)$. Hence, we have $A(p) \leq \Lambda_{a_{\alpha} \in \underline{A}} a_{\alpha}(p)$, $B(q) \leq \Lambda_{b_{\beta} \in \underline{B}} b_{\beta}(q)$ and $C(r) \leq \Lambda_{c_{\gamma} \in \underline{C}} c_{\gamma}(r)$. Thus

$$(A * B * C)(z) = \bigwedge_{z=pqr} A(p) \lor B(q) \lor C(r)$$

$$\leq \bigwedge_{z=pqr} \bigwedge_{a_{\alpha} \in \underline{A}, \ b_{\beta} \in \underline{B}, \ c_{\gamma} \in \underline{C}} a_{\alpha}(p) \lor b_{\beta}(q) \lor c_{\gamma}(r)$$

$$= \bigwedge_{a_{\alpha} \in \underline{A}, \ b_{\beta} \in \underline{B}, \ c_{\gamma} \in \underline{C}} \bigwedge_{z=pqr} a_{\alpha}(p) \lor b_{\beta}(q) \lor c_{\gamma}(r)$$

$$= \bigwedge_{a_{\alpha} \in \underline{A}, \ b_{\beta} \in \underline{B}, \ c_{\gamma} \in \underline{C}} (a_{\alpha} * b_{\beta} * c_{\gamma})(z) = \bigwedge_{a_{\alpha} \in \underline{A}, \ b_{\beta} \in \underline{B}, \ c_{\gamma} \in \underline{C}} z_{\omega}(z) = \omega.$$

This implies that $z_{\omega} \in \underline{A * B * C}$ and hence $\underline{A * B * C} \supseteq \underline{A} * \underline{B} * \underline{C}$. \Box

Theorem 3.4. Let A be a fuzzy set in a ternary semigroup S. then the following conditions are equivalent:

- a) A is an anti fuzzy left (lateral, right) ideal of S.
- b) <u>A</u> is a left (lateral, right)ideal of <u>S</u>.

Proof. Let A is an anti fuzzy left ideal in S, and let $x_p \in \underline{A}$ and $y_q, z_r \in \underline{S}$. Then $y_q * z_r * x_p = (yzx)_{q \vee r \vee p} \in \underline{S} * \underline{S} * \underline{A}$. Since A is an anti fuzzy left ideal, we have $A(yzx) \leq A(x) \leq p \leq q \vee r \vee p$. Hence $y_q * z_r * x_p = (yzx)_{q \vee r \vee p} \in \underline{A}$. This implies that $\underline{S} * \underline{S} * \underline{A} \subseteq \underline{A}$, thus \underline{A} is a left ideal of \underline{S} . Conversely, assume that \underline{A} is a left ideal of \underline{S} . Let $x, y, z \in S$, if A(z) = 1, then $A(xyz) \leq 1 = A(z)$. If $A(z) \neq 1$ then $z_{A(z)} \in \underline{A}$ and $x_{A(z)}, y_{A(z)} \in \underline{S}$. Since \underline{A} is a left ideal of \underline{S} , we have $x_{A(z)} * y_{A(z)} * z_{A(z)} = (xyz)_{A(z)} \in \underline{S} * \underline{S} * \underline{A} \subseteq \underline{A}$. This implies that $A(xyz) \leq A(z)$, and hence A is an anti fuzzy left ideal of S. By a similar argument, one can prove the other cases.

Lemma 3.5. Let A and B be any anti fuzzy interior ideals of a ternary semigroup S.Then

- a) $A \cup B$ is also an anti fuzzy interior ideal of S (provided $A \cup B \neq \emptyset$).
- b) $\underline{A} \cup \underline{B}$ is also an interior ideal of \underline{S} .

Proof. *a*) Since *A* and *B* are antifuzzy ternary subsemigroups of *S*, $A \cup B$ is an antifuzzy ternary subsemigroup of *S* [13]. Let $x, a, r, s, y \in S$ be arbitrary elements of *S*. Since *A* and *B* are antifuzzy interior ideals of *S*, then

$$(A \cup B)(xsary) = A(xsary) \lor B(xsary)$$
$$\ge A(a) \lor B(a) = (A \cup B)(a).$$

Hence $A \cup B$ is an anti fuzzy interior ideal of S.

b) At first, it is an easy exercise to show that: *A* is an anti fuzzy ternary subsemigroup of *S* if and only if <u>*A*</u> is a ternary subsemigroup of <u>*S*</u>. From lemma 3.3, we have $\underline{A} \cup \underline{B} = \underline{A} \cup \underline{B}$ and so it is a ternary subsemigroup of <u>*S*</u>. Let $a_{\alpha} \in \underline{A} \cup \underline{B}$ and $x_p, \dot{x_r}, \dot{y_s}, y_q \in \underline{S}$, then

$$(x \acute{x} a \acute{y} y)_{p \lor r \lor a \lor s \lor q} = x_p \ast \acute{x_r} \ast a_a \ast \acute{y_s} \ast y_q \in \underline{S} \ast \underline{S} \ast \underline{A} \cup \underline{B} \ast \underline{S} \ast \underline{S}$$

Since $A \cup B$ is a fuzzy interior ideal of S, then

$$(A \cup B)(x \acute{x} a \acute{y} y) \le (A \cup B)(a) = A(a) \land B(a) \le \alpha \land \alpha = \alpha$$
$$$$

This implies that

$$x_p * \dot{x_r} * a_\alpha * \dot{y_s} * y_q = (x \dot{x} a \dot{y} y)_{p \lor r \lor \alpha \lor s \lor q} \in \underline{A \cup B}$$

Therefore, $\underline{A} \cup \underline{B}$ is also an interior deal of \underline{S} . \Box

Theorem 3.6. Let A be a fuzzy set in a ternary semigroup S. Then <u>A</u> is an interior ideal of <u>S</u> if and only if A is an anti fuzzy interior ideal of S.

Proof. Let A is an anti fuzzy interior ideal of S, then <u>A</u> is a ternary subsemigroup of <u>S</u>. Suppose that $x_p, \dot{x_r}, \dot{y_s}, y_q \in \underline{S}$ and $z_\alpha \in \underline{A}$. Then $A(z) \leq \alpha$, and $A(x\dot{x}z\dot{y}y) \leq A(z) \leq \alpha \leq p \lor r \lor \alpha \lor s \lor$ q.Hence $\underline{S} * \underline{S} * \underline{A} * \underline{S} * \underline{S} \ni (x_p * \dot{x_r} * a_\alpha * \dot{y_s} * y_q) = (x\dot{x}z\dot{y}y)_{p\lor r\lor \alpha\lor s\lor q} \in \underline{A}$. This implies that $\underline{S} * \underline{S} * \underline{A} * \underline{S} * \underline{S} \subseteq \underline{A}$, thus <u>A</u> is an interior ideal of <u>S</u>. Conversely, suppose that <u>A</u> is an interior ideal of <u>S</u>. For all , $y, z \in S$, the elements $x_{A(x)}, y_{A(y)}, z_{A(z)}$ belong to <u>A</u>. Since <u>A</u> is an interior ideal of <u>S</u>, we have

$$x_{A(x)} * y_{A(y)} * z_{A(z)} = (xyz)_{A(x) \lor A(y) \lor A(z)} \in \underline{A}.$$

Thus $A(xyz) \leq A(x) \lor A(y) \lor A(z)$. Therefore A is an anti fuzzy ternary subsemigroup in S. Let $x, \dot{x}, z, \dot{y}, y \in S$, if $A(z) \neq 1$, then $z_{A(z)} \in \underline{A}$ and $x_{A(z)}, \dot{x}_{A(z)}, y_{A(z)}, \dot{y}_{A(z)} \in \underline{S}$. Since \underline{A} is an interior ideal of \underline{S} , we have $(x \dot{x} z \dot{y} y)_{A(z)} = (x \dot{x} z \dot{y} y)_{A(z) \lor A(z) \lor A(z) \lor A(z) \lor A(z)} = x_{A(z)} * x'_{A(z)} * x'_{A(z)} = x'_{A(z)} * x'_{A(z)} * x'_{A(z)} = x'_{A(z)} * x'_{A(z)} * x'_{A(z)} = x'_{A(z)} * x'_{A(z)} * x'_{A(z)} * x'_{A(z)} * x'_{A(z)} = x'_{A(z)} * x'_{A(z)} * x'_{A(z)} + x'_{A(z)} * x'_{A(z)} * x'_{A(z)} + x'_{A(z)}$ $z_{A(z)} * y'_{A(z)} * y_{A(z)} \in \underline{A}$. This implies tha $A(x \acute{x} z \acute{y} y) \leq A(z)$, and hence A is an anti fuzzy interior ideal of S. \Box

Let *S* be a ternary semigroup. An element $x \in S$ is called *regular* if there exists an element $a \in S$ such that x = xax. A ternary semigroup iscalled *regular* if all its elements are regular [3].

Theorem 3.8. Let A be a fuzzy set in a regular ternary semigroup S. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- *a) A* is an anti fuzzy ideal of S.
- b) <u>A</u> is an interior ideal of <u>S</u>.

Proof. Let *A* be an anti fuzzy ideal of *S*. Then *A* is an anti fuzzy ternary subsemigroup of *S*, and consequently <u>*A*</u> is a ternary subsemigroup of <u>*S*</u>. Since any anti fuzzy ideal of *S* is an anti fuzzy interior ideal of *S*[13], then theorem 3.6 implies that <u>*A*</u> is an interior ideal of <u>*S*</u>. Assume that (b) holds. Let $x \in S$, then there exists $a \in S$ such that x = xax (since *S* is regular). If A(x) = 1, $A(xyz) \leq 1 = A(x)$. If $A(x) \neq 1$, then $x_{A(x)} \in \underline{A}$ and $y_{A(x)}, z_{A(x)} \in \underline{S}$. Since <u>*A*</u> is an interior ideal of *S*, then

$$(xyz)_{A(x)} = (xaxyz)_{A(x)} = x_{A(x)} * a_{A(x)} * x_{A(x)} * y_{A(x)} * z_{A(x)} \in \underline{A}.$$

This implies that $A(xyz) \leq A(x)$, and hence *A* is an anti fuzzy right ideal of *S*. In a similar argument we prove that *A* is an anti fuzzy left ideal of *S*. It remains to show that *A* is an anti fuzzy lateral ideal of *S*. For this purpose, assume that $y, a \in S$ such that y = yay (since *S* is regular). Since $A(y) = A(yay) \leq A(y) \lor A(a) \lor A(y)$, $A(a) \leq A(y)$. If $A(y) \neq 1$, then $y_{A(y)}, a_{A(y)} \in \underline{A}$ and $x_{A(y)}, z_{A(y)} \in \underline{S}$. Since \underline{A} is an interior ideal of \underline{S} , we have $(xyz)_{A(y)} = (xyayz)_{A(y)} = x_{A(y)} * y_{A(y)} * a_{A(y)} * y_{A(y)} * z_{A(y)} \in \underline{A}$. This implies that $A(xyz) \leq A(y)$, and hence *A* is an anti fuzzy lateral ideal of *S*. This completes that *A* is an anti fuzzy ideal of ...

A ternary semigroup S is called *intra-regular* if for each element $a \in S$, there exist elements $x, y \in S$ such that $a = xa^3y$ [3]. For example, let $S = \{i, 0, -i\}$. Then S is a ternary semigroup under the multiplication over complex numbers. In S, we have $(-i)(i^3)(-i) = i$, $(i)(0^3)(-i) = 0$ and $(i)(-i)^3(i) = -i$. Therefore, $S = \{i, 0, -i\}$ is intra-regular.

Theorem 3.9. A ternary semigroup S is intra-regular if and only if \underline{S} is intra-regular.

Proof.(\Rightarrow)Let a_{α} be an element in \underline{S} . Since *S* is intra-regular and $a \in S$, there exist $x, y \in S$ such that $a = xa^{3}y$. Thus $x_{\alpha}, y_{\alpha} \in \underline{S}$ and $x_{\alpha} * a_{\alpha} * a_{\alpha} * a_{\alpha} * y_{\alpha} = (xa^{3}y)_{\alpha} = a_{\alpha}$. Hence \underline{S} is intra-regular.

(\Leftarrow) Assume <u>S</u> is intra-regular and $a \in S$. Then for any $\alpha \in [0,1)$, there exist $x_{\beta}, y_{\gamma} \in \underline{S}$ such that $a_{\alpha} = x_{\beta} * a_{\alpha} * a_{\alpha} * a_{\alpha} * y_{\gamma} = (xa^{3}y)_{\beta \lor \alpha \lor \gamma}$. This implies that $a = xa^{3}y$ for $x, y \in S$, hence S is intra-regular.

An anti fuzzy ternary subsemigroup A of a ternary semigroup S is called *an anti fuzzy bi-ideal* of S if $A(xaybz) \le A(x) \lor A(y) \lor A(z)$ for all x; a; y; b; $y \in S[10]$.

Theorem 3.10 An anti fuzzy ternary subsemigroup B of a ternary semigroup S is an anti fuzzy biideal of S if and only if $(B * \Theta * B * \Theta * B) \supseteq B$.

Where Θ is the fuzzy subset of *S* mapping every element of *S* on 0.

Proof. Let *B* be an anti fuzzy bi-ideal of a ternary semigroup S and $x \in S$. If $x \neq abc$ for any $a, b, c \in S$, then $(B * \Theta * B * \Theta * B)(x) = 1 \ge B(x)$. If such exists, let $x \neq abc$ for some $a, b, c \in S$, then

$$(B * \Theta * B * \Theta * B)(x)$$

$$= \bigwedge_{x=abc} \{(B * \Theta * B)(a) \lor \Theta(b) \lor B(c)\}$$

$$= \bigwedge_{x=abc} \left\{ \{\bigwedge_{a=pqr} B(p) \lor \Theta(q) \lor B(r)\} \Theta(b) \lor B(c) \right\}$$

$$= \bigwedge_{x=abc} \left\{ \{\bigwedge_{a=pqr} B(p) \lor B(r)\} \lor B(c) \right\} \ge \bigwedge_{x=pqrbc} \{B(p) \lor B(r)\} \lor B(c)\}$$

$$\ge \bigwedge_{x=pqrbc} \{B(pqrbc)\} = \bigwedge_{x=pqrbc} \{B(x)\} = B(x).$$

This implies that $(B * \Theta * B * \Theta * B) \supseteq B$.

Conversely, let *B* be an anti fuzzy ternary subsemigroup of S such that $(B * \Theta * B * \Theta * B) \supseteq B$. Let $u, v, w, x, y \in S$. Then $B(uvwxy) \leq (B * \Theta * B * \Theta * B)(uvwxy)$

$$= \bigwedge_{uvwxy=abc} \{ (B * \Theta * B)(a) \lor \Theta(b) \lor B(c) \}$$

$$\leq (B * \Theta * B)(uvw) \lor \Theta(x) \lor B(y) = \bigwedge_{uvw=pqr} \{ B(p) \lor \Theta(q) \lor B(r) \} \lor B(y)$$

$$\leq B(u) \lor \Theta(v) \lor B(w) \lor B(y) = B(u) \lor B(w) \lor B(y).$$

Hence *B* is an anti fuzzy bi-ideal of *S*. \Box

Theorem 3.11.(see [13, Theorem 3.8]). An anti fuzzy ternary subsemigroup f of a semigroup S is an anti fuzzy bi-ideal of S if and only if the anti level set of f, f_t is a bi-ideal of S for $t \in Im f$.

Theorem 3.112. Let A be a fuzzy set in a ternary semigroup S. Then A is an anti fuzzy bi- ideal of S if and only if \underline{A} is a bi- ideal of \underline{S} .

Proof. Let A be an anti fuzzy bi- ideal of S, then by theorem 3.10, $A * \Theta * A * \Theta * A \supseteq A$. From lemma 3.3, we have $\underline{A} * \underline{\Theta} * \underline{A} * \underline{\Theta} * \underline{A} \subseteq \underline{A} * \Theta * A * \Theta * A \subseteq \underline{A}$. Since \underline{A} is a ternary subsemigroup of \underline{S} , we conclude that \underline{A} is a bi-ideal of \underline{S} . Conversely, we assume that \underline{A} is a bi-ideal of \underline{S} . In order to prove that A be an anti fuzzy bi- ideal of S, by theorem 3.11, it is sufficient to show that the anti level set of $A, A_t = \{x \in S : A(x) \le t\}$, is bi-ideal. So, for $x, y, z \in A_t$, it is clear that $x_t, y_t, z_t \in \underline{A}$. Since \underline{A} is a bi-ideal of \underline{S} , then $w_t = (xaybz)_t = x_t * a_t * y_t * b_t * z_t \in \underline{A} * \underline{\Theta} * \underline{A} * \underline{\Theta} * \underline{A} \subseteq \underline{A}$. Hence $A(xaybz) \le t$ and consequently $(xaybz) \in A_t$ for $a, b \in S$. this means that $A_tSA_tSA_t \subseteq A_t$, that is, A_t is a bi-ideal of S. Now, and by the fact that A is an anti fuzzy ternary semigroup of S, it follows that A is an anti fuzzy bi- ideal of S.

Conflict of Interests

The authors declare that there is no conflict of interests.

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