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ON INTERVAL VALUED FUZZY ALMOST (m, n) -BI-IDEAL IN SEMIGROUPS

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Abstract. In this paper, we study the concept of an interval valued fuzzy almost (m, n) -bi-ideals. We investigate properties of an interval valued fuzzy almost (m, n) -bi-ideal in semigroups.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The theory of fuzzy set was presented in 1965 by Zadeh [12]. The theory of fuzzy semigroups contained by Kuroki in 1979 [8]. Later the theory of interval valued fuzzy sets was introduced in 1975 by Zadeh [13], as a generalization of the notion of fuzzy sets. Interval valued fuzzy sets have various applications in several areas like medical science [3], image processing [2], decision making [14], etc. In 2006, Narayanan and Manikantan [7] developed the theory of interval valued fuzzy subsemigroup and studied types interval valued fuzzy ideals in semigroups. In 1961, Lajos [5] studied the concepts of (m, n) -ideals in semigroups which generalized of ideals of semigroups. The research of (m, n) -ideals of semigroups has interested many such as Akram et al. [1], N. Yaqoob and M. Aslam [10] and many others. In 2020 Ahsan et al. [6] extended

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the idelas of (m, n) -ideals in semigroups to fuzzy sets in semigroup and they characterize the regular semigroup by using fuzzy (m, n) -ideals.

In this paper, we give the concept of an interval valued fuzzy almost (m, n) -bi-ideals. We prove properties of an interval valued fuzzy almost (m, n) -bi-ideal in semigroups.

2. PRELIMINARIES

In this section, we give some definition and theory helpful in later sections.

A non-empty subset L of a semigroup G is called

- (1) a *subsemigroup* of G if $L^2 \subseteq L$,
- (2) a *left* (right) *ideal* of G if $GL \subseteq L$ ($LG \subseteq G$),
- (3) an *ideal* of a semigroup G we mean a left ideal and a right ideal of G ,
- (4) a *almost bi-ideal* of G if L is a subsemigroup and $LgL \cap L \neq \emptyset$.

A non-empty subset L of a semigroup G . We denote the

$$[L](m, n) = \bigcup_{r=1}^{m+n} L^r \cap L^m GL^n \text{ is principal } (m, n)\text{-ideal,}$$

$$[L](m, 0) = \bigcup_{r=1}^m L^r \cap L^m G \text{ is principal } (m, 0)\text{-ideal,}$$

$$[L](0, n) = \bigcup_{r=1}^n L^r \cap GL^n \text{ is the principal } (0, n)\text{-ideal,}$$

i.e., the smallest (m, n) -ideal, the smallest $(m, 0)$ -ideal and the smallest $(0, n)$ -ideal of G containing L , respectively.

Lemma 2.1. [4] *Let G be a semigroup and m, n positive integers, $[\pi]_{(m, n)}$ the principal (m, n) -ideal generated by the element π . Then*

- (1) $([\pi]_{(m, 0)})^m G = \pi^m G$.
- (2) $G([\pi]_{(0, n)})^n = G\pi^n$.
- (3) $([\pi]_{(m, 0)})^m G([\pi]_{(0, n)})^n = \pi^m G\pi^n$.

For any $p_i \in [0, 1]$, where $i \in \mathcal{A}$, define

$$\bigvee_{i \in \mathcal{A}} p_i := \sup_{i \in \mathcal{A}} \{p_i\} \quad \text{and} \quad \bigwedge_{i \in \mathcal{A}} p_i := \inf_{i \in \mathcal{A}} \{p_i\}.$$

We see that for any $p, q \in [0, 1]$, we have

$$p \vee q = \max\{p, q\} \quad \text{and} \quad p \wedge q = \min\{p, q\}.$$

A *fuzzy set* of a non-empty set T is a function $\omega : L \rightarrow [0, 1]$.

Definition 2.2. [6] A fuzzy set ω of a semigroup G is said to be

- (1) a *fuzzy subsemigroup* of G if $\omega(e_1 e_2) \geq \omega(e_1) \wedge \omega(e_2)$ for all $e_1, e_2 \in G$,
- (2) a *fuzzy left (right) ideal* of G if $\omega(e_1 e_2) \geq \omega(e_2)$ ($\omega(e_1 e_2) \geq \omega(e_1)$) for all $e_1, e_2 \in G$,
- (3) a *fuzzy ideal* of G if it is both a fuzzy left ideal and a fuzzy right ideal of G ,
- (4) a *fuzzy (m,n) -ideal* of G if $\omega(e_1 e_2 \dots e_m b d_1 d_2 \dots d_n) \geq \omega(e_1) \wedge \omega(e_2) \wedge \dots \wedge \omega(e_n) \wedge \omega(d_1) \wedge \omega(d_2) \wedge \dots \wedge \omega(d_n)$ for all $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m, d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n, b \in G$ and m, n are positive integers.

Definition 2.3. [11] A fuzzy set ω of a semigroup G such that $\omega \neq 0$ is called *fuzzy almost bi-ideal* of G if $(\omega \circ \chi_G \circ \omega) \cap \omega \neq 0$.

Let $\Omega[0, 1]$ be the set of all closed subintervals of $[0, 1]$, i.e.,

$$\Omega[0, 1] = \{\bar{p} = [p^-, p^+] \mid 0 \leq p^- \leq p^+ \leq 1\}.$$

We note that $[p, p] = \{p\}$ for all $p \in [0, 1]$. For $p = 0$ or 1 we shall denote $[0, 0]$ by $\bar{0}$ and $[1, 1]$ by $\bar{1}$.

Let $\bar{p} = [p^-, p^+]$ and $\bar{q} = [q^-, q^+] \in \Omega[0, 1]$. Define the operations \preceq , $=$, \wedge and \vee as follows:

- (1) $\bar{p} \preceq \bar{q}$ if and only if $p^- \leq q^-$ and $p^+ \leq q^+$
- (2) $\bar{p} = \bar{q}$ if and only if $p^- = q^-$ and $p^+ = q^+$
- (3) $\bar{p} \wedge \bar{q} = [(p^- \wedge q^-), (p^+ \wedge q^+)]$
- (4) $\bar{p} \vee \bar{q} = [(p^- \vee q^-), (p^+ \vee q^+)]$.

If $\bar{p} \succeq \bar{q}$, we mean $\bar{q} \preceq \bar{p}$.

For each interval $\bar{p}_i = [p_i^-, p_i^+] \in \Omega[0, 1]$, $i \in \mathcal{A}$ where \mathcal{A} is an index set, we define

$$\bigwedge_{i \in \mathcal{A}} \bar{p}_i = \left[\bigwedge_{i \in \mathcal{A}} p_i^-, \bigwedge_{i \in \mathcal{A}} p_i^+ \right] \quad \text{and} \quad \bigvee_{i \in \mathcal{A}} \bar{p}_i = \left[\bigvee_{i \in \mathcal{A}} p_i^-, \bigvee_{i \in \mathcal{A}} p_i^+ \right].$$

Definition 2.4. [9] Let L be a non-empty set. Then the function $\bar{f} : L \rightarrow \Omega[0, 1]$ is called *interval valued fuzzy set* (shortly, IVF set) of T .

Definition 2.5. [9] Let L be a subset of a non-empty set G . An *interval valued characteristic function* of L is defined to be a function $\bar{\chi}_L : T \rightarrow \Omega[0, 1]$ by

$$\bar{\chi}_L(e) = \begin{cases} \bar{1} & \text{if } e \in L, \\ \bar{0} & \text{if } e \notin L \end{cases}$$

for all $e \in G$.

For two IVF sets \bar{w} and \bar{v} of a non-empty set G , define

- (1) $\bar{w} \sqsubseteq \bar{v} \Leftrightarrow \bar{w}(e) \preceq \bar{v}(e)$ for all $e \in G$,
- (2) $\bar{w} = \bar{v} \Leftrightarrow \bar{w} \sqsubseteq \bar{v}$ and $\bar{v} \sqsubseteq \bar{w}$,
- (3) $(\bar{w} \sqcap \bar{v})(e) = \bar{w}(e) \wedge \bar{v}(e)$ for all $e \in G$,
- (4) $(\bar{w} \sqcup \bar{v})(e) = \bar{w}(e) \vee \bar{v}(e)$ for all $e \in G$.

For two IVF sets \bar{w} and \bar{v} in a semigroup G , define the product $\bar{w} \circ \bar{v}$ as follows : for all $e \in G$,

$$(\bar{w} \circ \bar{v})(e) = \begin{cases} \bigvee_{(t,h) \in F_e} \{\bar{w}(t) \wedge \bar{v}(h)\} & \text{if } F_e \neq \emptyset, \\ \bar{0} & \text{if } F_e = \emptyset, \end{cases}$$

where $F_e := \{(t, h) \in G \times G \mid e = th\}$.

Next, we shall give definitions of various types of IVF subsemigroups.

Definition 2.6. [7] An IVF set \bar{w} of a semigroup G is said to be an *IVF subsemigroup* of G if $\bar{w}(e_1e_2) \succeq \bar{w}(e_1) \wedge \bar{w}(e_2)$ for all $e_1, e_2 \in G$.

Definition 2.7. [7] An IVF set \bar{w} of a semigroup G is said to be an *IVF left (right) ideal* of G if $\bar{w}(e_1e_2) \succeq \bar{w}(e_2)$ ($\bar{w}(e_1e_2) \succeq \bar{w}(e_1)$) for all $e_1, e_2 \in G$. An IVF subset \bar{w} of G is called an *IVF ideal* of G if it is both an IVF left ideal and an IVF right ideal of G .

Theorem 2.8. [7] Let L be a non-empty subset of a semigroup G . Then $\bar{\chi}_L$ is an IVF subsemigroup of G if and only if L is a subsemigroup of G .

Theorem 2.9. Let \bar{w} be an IVF set of a semigroup G . Then \bar{w} is a subsemigroup of G if and only if $\text{sup}(\bar{w})$ is an IVF subsemigroup of G .

Let \bar{w} be an IVF set of a semigroup G and $m \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then

- (1) $\omega^0 := \bar{\chi}_g$ and $\bar{\omega}^0 \circ \bar{\chi}_G \circ \bar{\omega}^0 := \bar{\chi}_G$,
- (2) $\bar{\omega}^m := \underbrace{\bar{\omega} \circ \bar{\omega} \circ \dots \circ \bar{\omega}}_{m\text{-times}}$,
- (3) $\bar{\omega}^m \circ \bar{\chi}_G \circ \bar{\omega}^0 := \bar{\omega}^m \circ \bar{\chi}_G$,
- (4) $\bar{\omega}^0 \circ \bar{\chi}_G \circ \bar{\omega}^m \circ \bar{\omega}^0 := \bar{\chi}_G \circ \bar{\omega}^m$.

The following theorem we can easy to prove.

Theorem 2.10. *Let $\bar{\omega}, \bar{\omega}$ and $\bar{\kappa}$ be IVF set of a semigroup G . Then the following statements hold:*

- (1) *If $\bar{\omega} \sqsubseteq \bar{\omega}$ then $\bar{\omega}^m \sqsubseteq \bar{\omega}^m$ for all $m \in \mathbb{Z}$.*
- (2) *If $\bar{\omega} \sqsubseteq \bar{\omega}$ then $\bar{\omega} \circ \bar{\kappa} \sqsubseteq \bar{\omega} \circ \bar{\kappa}$.*
- (3) *If $\bar{\omega} \sqsubseteq \bar{\omega}$ then $\bar{\omega} \circ \bar{\kappa} \sqcap \bar{\omega} \circ \bar{\kappa}$.*

Definition 2.11. An IVF set $\bar{\omega}$ of a semigroup G is called an *IVF almost (m,n) -ideal* of G if $(\bar{\omega}^m \circ \bar{G} \circ \bar{\omega}^n) \sqcap \bar{\omega} \neq \bar{0}$ for all $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

3. ON INTERVAL VALUED FUZZY ALMOST (m,n) -BI-IDEAL IN SEMIGROUPS

In this section, we give the concept of an interval valued fuzzy almost (m,n) -bi-ideals and investigate properties of an interval valued fuzzy almost (m,n) -bi-ideal in semigroups.

Definition 3.1. An IVF subsemigroup $\bar{\omega}$ of a semigroup G is called an *IVF almost (m,n) -bi-ideal* of G if $(\bar{\omega}^m \circ \bar{G} \circ \bar{\omega}^n) \sqcap \bar{\omega} \neq \bar{0}$ for all $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Theorem 3.2. *Suppose that $\bar{\omega}$ is an IVF almost (m,n) -bi-ideal and $\bar{\omega}$ is an IVF subsemigroup of a semigroup G and $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then the following statements hold:*

- (1) *If $\bar{\omega} \sqsubseteq \bar{\omega}$, then $\bar{\omega}$ is an IVF almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G .*
- (2) *$\bar{\omega} \sqcup \bar{\omega}$ is an IVF almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G .*

Proof. (1) Suppose that $\bar{\omega} \sqsubseteq \bar{\omega}$. Then $\bar{0} \neq (\bar{\omega}^m \circ \bar{G} \circ \bar{\omega}^n) \sqcap \bar{\omega} \sqsubseteq (\bar{\omega}^m \circ \bar{G} \circ \bar{\omega}^n) \sqcap \bar{\omega}$. Thus $\bar{\omega}$ is an IVF almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G .

(2) Clearly $\bar{\omega} \sqsubseteq \bar{\omega} \sqcup \bar{\omega}$. By (1) we have $\bar{\omega} \sqcup \bar{\omega}$ is an IVF almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G .

□

Note that for a subset L of G , define $L^0 := G$.

Lemma 3.3. *Let L be a non-empty subset of a semigroup G and $m \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then*

$$(\bar{\chi}_L)^m = \bar{\chi}_L^m.$$

Theorem 3.4. *Let L is a non-empty subset of a semigroup G . Then L is an almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G if and only if the characteristic function $\bar{\chi}_L$ is an IVF almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G for all $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$.*

Proof. Suppose that L is an almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G . Then L is a subsemigroup of G . Thus by Theorem 2.11, $\bar{\chi}_L$ is an IVF subsemigroup of G . Let $d \in G$. Then by assumption, there exists $e \in (L^mGL^n) \cap L$ such that $[(\bar{\chi}_L^m \circ \bar{G} \circ \bar{\chi}_L^n) \cap \bar{\chi}_L](e) \neq \bar{0}$. By Lemma 3.3,

$$[(\bar{\chi}_L)^m \circ \bar{G} \circ (\bar{\chi}_L)^n \cap \bar{\chi}_L](e) \neq \bar{0}.$$

Thus $\bar{\chi}_L$ is an IVF almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G .

Conversely, suppose that $\bar{\chi}_L$ is an IVF almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G . Then $\bar{\chi}_L$ is an IVF subsemigroup. Thus by Theorem 2.11, L is a subsemigroup of G . Let $d \in G$. Then

$$[(\bar{\chi}_L)^m \circ \bar{G} \circ (\bar{\chi}_L)^n \cap \bar{\chi}_L] \neq \bar{0}.$$

Thus there exists $e \in G$ such that $[(\bar{\chi}_L)^m \circ \bar{G} \circ (\bar{\chi}_L)^n \cap \bar{\chi}_L](e) \neq \bar{0}$. By Lemma 3.3,

$$[(\bar{\chi}_L^m \circ \bar{G} \circ \bar{\chi}_L^n) \cap \bar{\chi}_L](e) \neq \bar{0}.$$

Thus $e \in L^mGL^n \cap L$. Hence $L^mGL^n \cap L \neq \emptyset$.

We conclude that L is an almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G . □

For IVF set $\bar{\omega}$ of a semigroup G , defined $\text{supp}(\bar{\omega}) := \{e \in G \mid \bar{\omega}(e) \neq \bar{0}\}$.

Theorem 3.5. *Let $\bar{\omega}$ be an IVF set of a semigroup G . Then $\bar{\omega}$ is an almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G if and only if $\text{sup}(\bar{\omega})$ is an IVF almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G for all $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$.*

Proof. Suppose that $\bar{\omega}$ is an almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G . Then $\bar{\omega}$ is a subsemigroup of G . Thus by Theorem 2.9, $\text{sup}(\bar{\omega})$ is an IVF subsemigroup of G . Let $d \in G$. Then there exists $e \in G$ such that $[(\bar{\omega}^m \circ \bar{G} \circ \bar{\omega}^n) \cap \bar{\omega}](e) \neq \bar{0}$. Thus $\bar{\omega}(r) \neq \bar{0}$ and $e = c_1c_2 \dots c_m d e_1 e_2 \dots e_n$ for some $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_m, e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n \in G$ such that

$$\bar{\omega}(c_1) \neq \bar{0}, \bar{\omega}(c_2) \neq \bar{0}, \dots, \bar{\omega}(c_m) \neq \bar{0}, \bar{\omega}(e_1) \neq \bar{0}, \bar{\omega}(e_2) \neq \bar{0}, \dots, \bar{\omega}(e_n) \neq \bar{0}.$$

So $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_m, e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n, d \in \text{supp}(\bar{\omega})$. It implies that

$$[(\bar{\chi}_{\text{supp}(\omega)})^m \circ \bar{G} \circ (\bar{\chi}_{\text{supp}(\omega)})^n](e) \neq \bar{0} \text{ and } \bar{\chi}_{\text{supp}(f)}(e) \neq \bar{0}.$$

Hence $[(\bar{\chi}_{\text{supp}(\omega)})^m \circ \bar{G} \circ (\bar{\chi}_{\text{supp}(\omega)})^n \cap \bar{\chi}_{\text{supp}(\omega)}](e) \neq \bar{0}$. Thus $\bar{\chi}_{\text{supp}(\bar{\omega})}$ is an IVF almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G . By Theorem 3.4, $\text{supp}(\bar{\omega})$ is an almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G .

Conversely, suppose that $\text{supp}(\bar{\omega})$ is an IVF almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G . Then $(\bar{\omega})$ is an IVF subsemigroup of G . Thus by Theorem 2.9, $(\bar{\omega})$ is a subsemigroup of G . Let $r \in G$. Then by Theorem 3.4, $\bar{\chi}_{\text{supp}(\bar{\omega})}$ is an IVF almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G . Thus

$$[(\bar{\chi}_{\text{supp}(\bar{\omega})})^m \circ \bar{G} \circ (\bar{\chi}_{\text{supp}(\bar{\omega})})^n \cap \bar{\chi}_{\text{supp}(\bar{\omega})}] \neq \bar{0}.$$

So there exists $e \in S$ such that $[(\bar{\chi}_{\text{supp}(f)})^m \circ \bar{G} \circ (\bar{\chi}_{\text{supp}(\bar{\omega})})^n \cap \bar{\chi}_{\text{supp}(\bar{\omega})}](r) \neq \bar{0}$.

Hence $(\bar{\chi}_{\text{supp}(\bar{\omega})})^m \circ \bar{G} \circ (\bar{\chi}_{\text{supp}(\bar{\omega})})^n(e) \neq \bar{0}$ and $\bar{\chi}_{\text{supp}(\bar{\omega})}(e) \neq \bar{0}$.

Thus there exist $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_m, e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n, d \in G \text{ supp}(\bar{\omega})$ and $e = c_1 c_2 \dots c_m d e_1 e_2 \dots e_n$. So $\bar{\omega}(c_1) \neq \bar{0}, \bar{\omega}(c_2) \neq \bar{0}, \dots, \bar{\omega}(c_m) \neq \bar{0}, \bar{\omega}(e_1) \neq \bar{0}, \bar{\omega}(e_2) \neq \bar{0}, \dots, \bar{\omega}(e_n) \neq \bar{0}$.

Hence $[(\bar{\omega}^m \circ \bar{G} \circ \bar{\omega}^n)](e) \neq \bar{0}$ implies $[(\bar{\omega}^m \circ \bar{G} \circ \bar{\omega}^n) \cap \bar{\omega}](e) \neq \bar{0}$.

Therefore $\bar{\omega}$ is an almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G . □

Definition 3.6. An IVF almost bi-ideal $\bar{\omega}$ is called *minimal* if for all nonzero IVF almost bi-ideals $\bar{\omega}$ of a semigroup G such that $\bar{\omega} \sqsubseteq \bar{\omega}$ implies $\text{supp}(\bar{\omega}) = \text{supp}(\bar{\omega})$.

Definition 3.7. An IVF almost (m,n) -bi-ideal $\bar{\omega}$ is called *minimal* if for all nonzero IVF almost (m,n) -bi-ideals $\bar{\omega}$ of a semigroup G such that $\bar{\omega} \sqsubseteq \bar{\omega}$ implies $\text{supp}(\bar{\omega}) = \text{supp}(\bar{\omega})$.

Theorem 3.8. Let L be a non-empty subset of a semigroup G . Then L is a minimal almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G if and only if $\bar{\chi}_L$ is a minimal IVF almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G .

Proof. Suppose that L is a minimal almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G . Then by Theorem 3.4, $\bar{\chi}_L$ is an IVF almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G . Let $\bar{\omega}$ be an IVF almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of S such that $\bar{\omega} \sqsubseteq \bar{\chi}_L$. Then $\text{supp}(\bar{\omega}) \sqsubseteq \text{supp}(\bar{\chi}_L) = L$. By Theorem 3.5, $\text{sup}(\bar{\omega})$ is an almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G . By supposition, $\text{supp}(\bar{\omega}) = L = \text{supp}(\bar{\chi}_L)$. Hence $\bar{\chi}_L$ is a minimal IVF almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G .

Conversely, suppose that $\bar{\chi}_L$ is a minimal IVF almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G and let D be an almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G such that $D \subseteq L$. Then $\bar{\chi}_D$ is an IVF almost (m,n) -bi-ideal of G

such that $\bar{\chi}_D \sqsubseteq \bar{\chi}_L$. Thus $D = \text{supp}(\bar{\chi}_B) = \text{supp}(\bar{\chi}_L) = L$. Therefore L is a minimal almost (m, n) -bi-ideal of G . \square

Corollary 3.9. *Let G has no proper almost (m, n) -bi-ideal if and only if for all IVF almost (m, n) -bi-ideal $\bar{\omega}$ of G , $\text{supp}(\bar{\omega}) = G$.*

Proof. It follows from Theorem 3.8. \square

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