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## INTERVAL-VALUED INTUITIONISTIC FUZZY IDEAL ON SEMI RINGS

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### **Abstract.**

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## **1. INTRODUCTION**

The concept of fuzzy sets was introduced by Zadeh [15], several researches were worked on the generalizations of the notion of fuzzy sets. Interval-valued fuzzy sets provides with a more flexible mathematical framework to deal effectively with imperfect and imprecise information. Atanassov [2,4] introduced the concept of intuitionistic fuzzy sets and the interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy, as a generation of the notion of fuzzy sets. Interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy subgroups are discussed [1]. Fuzzy sets and intuitionistic fuzzy sets are widely used in various algebraic systems and other other fields [5, 10, 12, 13, 14].

A. Rosenfeld [11] is the father of fuzzy abstract algebra. He first studied the notion of fuzzy subgroup in 1971. After that in 1979, N. Kuroki [9] introduced the concept of fuzzy semi group. In 1993, J. Ahsan, K. Saifullah and M. Farid Khan [3] introduced the notion of fuzzy semiring. In 1994, T.K. Dutta and B.K. Biswas [6] characterized fuzzy prime ideals of a semiring. K.H. Kim and J. G. Lee [7] studied the intuitionistic fuzzification of the concept of several ideals in a semi groups and investigate some properties of such ideals. K. H. Kim [8] introduced the notion of intuitionistic Q -fuzzy semi primality in a semigroup and investigate some properties of intuitionistic Q-fuzzification of the concept of several ideals. In this paper, the concepts of interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy ideal on semi-rings are introduced and investigated some of their properties.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

**Definition 2.1.** A non-empty set  $S$  together with two binary operation  $+$  and  $.$  is said to be a semiring. if

- i)  $(S, +)$  is a commutative semigroup,
- ii)  $(S, .)$  is a semigroup,
- iii)  $a(b + c) = ab + ac$  and  $(a + b)c = ac + bc \forall a, b, c \in S$ .

Let  $(S, +, .)$  be a semiring. If there exists an element  $0_s \in S$  such that  $a + 0_s = a = 0_s + a$  and  $a.0_s = 0_s = 0_s.a$  for all  $a \in S$ ; then  $0_s$  is called the zero element of  $S$ . If there exists an element  $1_s \in S$  such that  $a.1_s = a = 1_s.a$  for all  $a \in S$ , then  $1_s$  is called the identity element of  $S$ .

**Note 2.1** A semiring may or may not have a zero and an identity element.

We say that a semiring  $S$  has a zero. if there exists an element  $0 \in S$  such that  $0x = x0 = 0$  and  $0 + x = x + 0 = x$  for all  $x \in S$ .

### Definition 2.2

An interval number on  $[0,1]$ , denoted by  $\hat{a}$ , is defined as the closed subinterval of  $[0,1]$ , where  $\hat{a} = [a^-, a^+]$  satisfying  $0 \leq a^- \leq a^+ \leq 1$ .

For any two interval numbers  $\hat{a} = [a^-, a^+]$  and  $\hat{b} = [b^-, b^+]$ , we define:

- i)  $\hat{a} \leq \hat{b}$  if and only if  $a^- \leq b^-$  and  $a^+ \leq b^+$ .
- ii)  $\hat{a} = \hat{b}$  if and only if  $a^- = b^-$  and  $a^+ = b^+$
- iii)  $\hat{a} < \hat{b}$  if and only if  $a^- \neq b^-$  and  $\hat{a} \leq \hat{b}$

### Definition 2.3

Let  $X \neq \phi$  be a set and  $A \subseteq X$ . Then the interval-valued intuitionistic characteristic function  $\chi_A = (\tilde{\chi}_{M_A}(x), \tilde{\chi}_{N_A}(x))$  of  $A$  is an interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy subset of  $X$ , defined as follows:

$$\hat{\chi}_{M_A}(x) = \begin{cases} \hat{1} & \text{when } x \in A \\ \hat{0} & \text{when } x \notin A \end{cases} \text{ and } \hat{\chi}_{N_A}(x) = \begin{cases} \hat{0} & \text{when } x \in A \\ \hat{1} & \text{when } x \notin A \end{cases}$$

### Definition 2.4

Let  $A = (\hat{M}_A, \hat{N}_A)$  and  $B = (\hat{M}_B, \hat{N}_B)$  be two interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy subsets of a non-empty set  $X$ . Then  $A$  is said to be subset of  $B$ , denoted by  $A \subseteq B$ , if  $\hat{M}_A(x) \leq \hat{M}_B(x)$  and  $\hat{N}_A(x) \geq \hat{N}_B(x)$ . (i.e)  $M_A^-(x) \leq M_B^-(x)$ ;  $M_A^+(x) \leq M_B^+(x)$ ;  $N_A^-(x) \geq N_B^-(x)$ ;  $N_A^+(x) \geq N_B^+(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ .

### Definition 2.5

Let  $A = (\hat{M}_A, \hat{N}_A)$  be an interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy subsets of a non-empty set  $X$  and  $[\alpha, \beta] \in D[0,1]$ . Then the level subset of  $A = (\hat{M}_A, \hat{N}_A)$ , denoted by  $\bar{U}(\hat{M}_A, \hat{N}_A, [\alpha, \beta])$  is defined as:

$$\bar{U}(\hat{M}_A, \hat{N}_A, [\alpha, \beta]) = \{ (x, y) : \hat{M}_A(x) \geq [\alpha, \beta], \hat{N}_A(x) \leq [\alpha, \beta] \}$$

**Proposition 2.1**

If  $[\alpha_1, \beta_1]$  and  $[\alpha_2, \beta_2]$  be two interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy number such that  $[\alpha_1, \beta_1] > [\alpha_2, \beta_2]$ , then  $\bar{U}(\hat{M}, \hat{N}, [\alpha_1, \beta_1]) \subseteq \bar{U}(\hat{M}, \hat{N}, [\alpha_2, \beta_2])$ .

**Proof:**

Let  $[\alpha_1, \beta_1]$  and  $[\alpha_2, \beta_2]$  be two interval numbers such that  $[\alpha_1, \beta_1] > [\alpha_2, \beta_2]$ .

Then  $[\alpha_1, \beta_1] \geq [\alpha_2, \beta_2]$  and  $[\alpha_1, \beta_1] \neq [\alpha_2, \beta_2]$ .

For any  $x \in \bar{U}(\hat{M}, \hat{N}, [\alpha_1, \beta_1]) \Rightarrow \hat{M}(x) \geq [\alpha_1, \beta_1]$  and  $\hat{N}(x) \leq [\alpha_1, \beta_1]$

Then  $\hat{M}(x) \geq [\alpha_1, \beta_1] > [\alpha_2, \beta_2]$  and  $\hat{N}(x) \leq [\alpha_2, \beta_2] < [\alpha_1, \beta_1]$

Therefore,  $\hat{M}(x) > [\alpha_2, \beta_2]$  and  $\hat{N}(x) < [\alpha_2, \beta_2]$

$\therefore x \in \bar{U}(\hat{M}, \hat{N}, [\alpha_2, \beta_2])$

Thus  $\bar{U}(\hat{M}, \hat{N}, [\alpha_1, \beta_1]) \subseteq \bar{U}(\hat{M}, \hat{N}, [\alpha_2, \beta_2])$

**Definition 2.6**

The interval *Min – norm* is a function  $Min^i: D[0,1] \rightarrow D[0,1] \rightarrow D[0,1]$  defined by  $Min^i(\hat{a}, \hat{b}) = [\min(a^-, b^-), \min(a^+, b^+)]$  for all  $\hat{a}, \hat{b} \in D[0,1]$ , where  $\hat{a} = [a^-, a^+]$  and  $\hat{b} = [b^-, b^+]$ .

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**3 INTERVAL-VALUED INTUITIONISTIC FUZZY IDEAL OF A SEMIRNG**

**Definition 3.1**

A non-empty interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy subset  $A$  of a semiring  $S$  is said to be interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$  if

1.  $M_A(x + y) \geq \min^i\{M_A(x), M_A(y)\}$
2.  $N_A(x + y) \leq \max^i\{N_A(x), N_A(y)\}$
3.  $M_A(xy) \geq \max^i\{M_A(x), M_A(y)\}$
4.  $N_A(xy) \leq \min^i\{N_A(x), N_A(y)\}$  for all  $x, y \in S$ .

**Example 3.1**

Let  $\mathbb{N}_0$  be a semiring of non-negative integers with respect to usual addition and multiplication. Let  $A$  be an interval-valued intuitionistic subset of  $\mathbb{N}_0$ , defined by

$$M_A(x) = f(x) = \begin{cases} [1,1], & \text{if } x = 0 \\ [0.5,0.6], & \text{if } x \text{ is non – zero even} \\ [0.3,0.4], & \text{if } x \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

$$N_A(x) = f(x) = \begin{cases} [0,0], & \text{if } x = 0 \\ [0.3,0.4], & \text{if } x \text{ is non – zero even} \\ [0.5,0.6], & \text{if } x \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

Then  $A$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $\mathbb{N}_0$

**Remark 3.1** Let  $A$  be an interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of a semiring  $S$ . Then  $M_A^-(0_S) \geq M_A^-(x)$ ;  $M_A^+(0_S) \geq M_A^+(x)$  and  $N_A^-(0_S) \leq N_A^-(x)$ ;  $N_A^+(0_S) \leq N_A^+(x)$  for all  $x \in S$ .

### Theorem 3.1

Let  $S$  be a semiring and  $A$  be a subset of  $S$ . Then  $A$  is an ideal of  $S$  if and only if  $A$  is an interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$ .

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be an ideal of  $S$ . Then  $0_S \in A$ . So  $M_{\chi_A}(0_S) = [1,1]$ ;  $N_{\chi_A}(0_S) = [0,0]$  and hence  $\chi_A$  is non-empty. Now suppose that  $x, y \in S$ .

Case: 1

Let  $Max^i(M_{\chi_A}(x), M_{\chi_A}(y)) = [0,0]$  and  $Min^i(N_{\chi_A}(x), N_{\chi_A}(y)) = [1,1]$ .

Then  $M_{\chi_A}(x) = [0,0]$  and  $M_{\chi_A}(y) = [0,0]$ ,  $N_{\chi_A}(x) = [1,1]$  and  $N_{\chi_A}(y) = [1,1]$ .

So  $M_{\chi_A}(xy) \geq [0,0] = Max^i(M_{\chi_A}(x), M_{\chi_A}(y))$  and  $N_{\chi_A}(xy) \leq [1,1] = Min^i(N_{\chi_A}(x), N_{\chi_A}(y))$

Case: 2

Let  $Max^i(M_{\chi_A}(x), M_{\chi_A}(y)) = [1,1]$  and  $Min^i(N_{\chi_A}(x), N_{\chi_A}(y)) = [0,0]$ .

Then  $M_{\chi_A}(x) = [1,1]$  and  $M_{\chi_A}(y) = [1,1]$ ,  $N_{\chi_A}(x) = [0,0]$  and  $N_{\chi_A}(y) = [0,0]$ .

This implies that  $x \in A$  or  $y \in A$ .

Then  $xy \in A$ . since  $A$  is an ideal of  $S$ . This shows that  $M_{\chi_A}(xy) = [1,1] = Max^i(M_{\chi_A}(x), M_{\chi_A}(y))$  and

$N_{\chi_A}(xy) = [0,0] = Min^i(N_{\chi_A}(x), N_{\chi_A}(y))$ . Now  $Max^i(M_{\chi_A}(x), M_{\chi_A}(y)) = [1,1] \Rightarrow$

$Min^i(M_{\chi_A}(x), M_{\chi_A}(y)) = [0,0]$  or  $[1,1]$ .  $Min^i(N_{\chi_A}(x), N_{\chi_A}(y)) = [0,0] \Rightarrow$

$Max^i(N_{\chi_A}(x), N_{\chi_A}(y)) = [1,1]$ .

$Min^i(M_{\chi_A}(x), M_{\chi_A}(y)) = [0,0] \Rightarrow M_{\chi_A}(x+y) \geq Min^i(M_{\chi_A}(x), M_{\chi_A}(y))$  and

$Max^i(N_{\chi_A}(x), N_{\chi_A}(y)) = [1,1] \Rightarrow N_{\chi_A}(x+y) \leq Max^i(N_{\chi_A}(x), N_{\chi_A}(y))$

$Max^i(M_{\chi_A}(x), M_{\chi_A}(y)) = [1,1]$ ,  $Min^i(N_{\chi_A}(x), N_{\chi_A}(y)) = [0,0] \Rightarrow M_{\chi_A}(x) = [1,1]$  and  $M_{\chi_A}(y) = [1,1]$ ;  $N_{\chi_A}(x) = [0,0]$ ,  $N_{\chi_A}(y) = [0,0]$

$\Rightarrow x \in A$  and  $y \in A \Rightarrow x+y \in A$

Since  $A$  is an ideal of  $S \Rightarrow \widehat{M}_{\chi_A}(x+y) = \widehat{1} = Min^i(M_{\chi_A}(x), M_{\chi_A}(y))$  and  $\widehat{N}_{\chi_A}(x+y) = \widehat{0} =$

$Max^i(N_{\chi_A}(x), N_{\chi_A}(y))$ . Consequently  $\widehat{\chi}_A$  is an interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy ideal on  $S$ .

Conversely, let  $\widehat{\chi}_A$  be an interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy ideal on  $S$ . Then  $\widehat{\chi}_A$  is non-empty. So  $\widehat{M}_{\chi_A}(x) \neq \widehat{0}$  for some  $s \in S$ . This implies that  $\widehat{M}_{\chi_A}(s) = \widehat{1}$  and  $\widehat{N}_{\chi_A}(s) = \widehat{0}$  for some  $s \in S$ . Hence  $A$  is non-empty.

Let  $x, y \in A$ . Then  $\widehat{M}_{\chi_A}(x) = \widehat{1} = \widehat{M}_{\chi_A}(y)$ ,  $\widehat{N}_{\chi_A}(x) = \widehat{0} = \widehat{N}_{\chi_A}(y)$ . Now since  $\widehat{\chi}_A(x)$  is an interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$ , we have

$\widehat{M}_{\chi_A}(x+y) \geq \min^i\{\widehat{M}_{\chi_A}(x), \widehat{M}_{\chi_A}(y)\} = \min^i\{\widehat{1}, \widehat{1}\} = \widehat{1}$  and  $\widehat{N}_{\chi_A}(x+y) \leq \max^i\{\widehat{N}_{\chi_A}(x), \widehat{N}_{\chi_A}(y)\} = \max^i\{\widehat{0}, \widehat{0}\} = \widehat{0}$ . So  $\widehat{M}_{\chi_A}(x+y) \geq \widehat{1}$ ;  $\widehat{N}_{\chi_A}(x+y) \leq \widehat{0}$ . Also  $\widehat{M}_{\chi_A}(x+y) \leq \widehat{1}$  and  $\widehat{N}_{\chi_A}(x+y) \geq \widehat{0}$  since  $\widehat{M}_{\chi_A}(s) \leq 1$ ;  $\widehat{N}_{\chi_A}(s) \geq 0$  for all  $s \in S$ .

Thus  $\widehat{M}_{\chi_A}(x+y) = \widehat{1}$  and  $\widehat{N}_{\chi_A}(x+y) = \widehat{0}$ . So we find that  $x+y \in A$ . Now, let  $a \in A$  and  $s_1 \in S$ . Then  $\widehat{M}_{\chi_A}(a) = \widehat{1}$ ,  $\widehat{N}_{\chi_A}(a) = \widehat{0}$ . Now since  $\widehat{\chi}_A(x)$  is an interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$ , we have  $\widehat{M}_{\chi_A}(s_1 a) \geq \max^i(\widehat{M}_{\chi_A}(a), \widehat{M}_{\chi_A}(s_1)) = \widehat{1}$  and  $\widehat{N}_{\chi_A}(s_1 a) \leq \min^i(\widehat{N}_{\chi_A}(a), \widehat{N}_{\chi_A}(s_1)) = \widehat{0}$ . So  $\widehat{M}_{\chi_A}(s_1 a) \geq \widehat{1}$  and  $\widehat{N}_{\chi_A}(s_1 a) \leq \widehat{0}$ .

Thus we find that  $\widehat{M}_{\chi_A}(s_1 a) = \widehat{1}$  and  $\widehat{N}_{\chi_A}(s_1 a) = \widehat{0}$ . Consequently  $s_1 a \in A$ . Similarly, we can show that  $a s_1 \in A$ . Hence  $A$  is an ideal of  $S$ .

### Theorem 3.2

A non-empty interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy subset  $A$  of a semiring  $S$  is an interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$  if and only if  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha, \beta]$  are ideals of  $S$  for all  $[\alpha, \beta] \in \text{Im}A$

Proof: First suppose that  $\widehat{A}$  is an interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$ . Let  $[\alpha, \beta]$  be an arbitrary element in  $\text{Im}A$ . Now consider the level subset  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha, \beta]$ . Since  $[\alpha, \beta] \in \text{Im}A$ , we have  $\widehat{M}_A(s_0) = [\alpha, \beta]$  for some  $s_0 \in S$ . This implies that  $s_0 \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha, \beta]$ . So,  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha, \beta]$  is non-empty. Now take  $x, y \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha, \beta]$ . Then we have  $\widehat{M}_A(x) \geq [\alpha, \beta]$  and  $\widehat{N}_A(x) \leq [\alpha, \beta]$ ;  $\widehat{M}_A(y) \geq [\alpha, \beta]$  and  $\widehat{N}_A(y) \leq [\alpha, \beta]$ . Since  $\widehat{A}$  is an interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy ideal on  $S$ , we have  $\widehat{M}_A(x+y) \geq \min^i\{\widehat{M}_A(x), \widehat{M}_A(y)\} \geq [\alpha, \beta]$ . So, we get  $x+y \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha, \beta]$ . Again let  $a \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha, \beta]$  and  $s_1 \in S$ . Then  $\widehat{M}_A \geq [\alpha, \beta]$  and  $\widehat{N}_A \leq [\alpha, \beta]$ . Since  $\widehat{A}$  is an interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$ , we have  $\widehat{M}_A(s_1 a) \geq \max^i(\widehat{M}_A(s_1), \widehat{M}_A(a)) \geq [\alpha, \beta]$ . This implies that  $s_1 a \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha, \beta]$ . Similarly, we can show that  $a s_1 \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha, \beta]$ . Thus  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha, \beta]$  is an ideal of  $S$ . Since  $[\alpha, \beta]$  is arbitrary, it follows  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha, \beta]$  is an ideal of  $S$  for all  $[\alpha, \beta] \in \text{Im}A$

Conversely, suppose that  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha, \beta]$  are ideal of  $S$  for all  $\text{Im}A$ . Let  $x, y \in S$  and let  $\widehat{M}_A(x) = [\alpha_1, \beta_1]$ ;  $\widehat{N}_A(x) = [1 - \alpha_1, 1 - \beta_1]$  and  $\widehat{M}_A(y) = [\alpha_2, \beta_2]$ ;  $\widehat{N}_A(y) = [1 - \alpha_2, 1 - \beta_2]$ . This shows that  $x \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha_1, \beta_1]$  and  $y \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha_2, \beta_2]$ . Without loss of generality, we consider  $[\alpha_1, \beta_1] > [\alpha_2, \beta_2]$ . Then by theorem ??, we have  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha_1, \beta_1] \subseteq \overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha_2, \beta_2]$ . So we find that  $x, y \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha_2, \beta_2]$ . Now since  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha, \beta]$  are ideals of  $S$  for all  $[\alpha, \beta] \in \text{Im}A$   $\overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha_2, \beta_2]$  is an ideal of  $S$ . Thus  $x, y \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha_2, \beta_2]$  implies that  $x+y \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha_2, \beta_2]$ . Therefore  $\widehat{M}_A(x+y) \geq [\alpha_2, \beta_2] = \min^i\{[\alpha_1, \beta_1], [\alpha_2, \beta_2]\} = \min^i\{\widehat{M}_A(x), \widehat{M}_A(y)\}$  and  $\widehat{N}_A(x+y) \leq [\alpha_2, \beta_2] = \max^i\{[\alpha_1, \beta_1], [\alpha_2, \beta_2]\} = \max^i\{\widehat{N}_A(x), \widehat{N}_A(y)\}$ . Now let  $s, t \in S$  be such that  $\widehat{M}_A(t) = [\alpha_3, \beta_3]$ . Then  $t \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha_3, \beta_3]$ . Therefore  $st \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha_3, \beta_3]$ , since  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{M}_b \mathcal{N}_b [\alpha_3, \beta_3]$  is an ideal of  $S$ . So  $\widehat{M}_A(st) \geq [\alpha_3, \beta_3] = \widehat{M}_A(t)$  and  $\widehat{N}_A(st) \leq [\alpha_3, \beta_3] = \widehat{N}_A(t)$ . Similarly, if we take  $\widehat{M}_A(s) = [\alpha_3, \beta_3]$ , we can prove that  $\widehat{M}_A(st) \geq \widehat{M}_A(s)$ ;  $\widehat{N}_A(st) \leq \widehat{N}_A(s)$ . Consequently,  $\widehat{M}_A(st) \geq \max^i\{\widehat{M}_A(s), \widehat{M}_A(t)\}$ . Hence  $A$  is an interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$ .

**Definition 3.2**

If  $A$  be an interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $\mathcal{S}$ , then the ideals  $\bar{U}(\mathcal{M}_A, \mathcal{N}_A [\alpha, \beta])$  of  $\mathcal{S}$ , where  $[\alpha, \beta] \in \mathcal{I}m\mathcal{A}$  are called the level ideals of  $A$

**Theorem 3.2**

Let  $\mathcal{S}$  be a semiring and  $A$  be an interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy ideal on  $\mathcal{S}$ . Then for any  $x, y \in \mathcal{S}$ ;  $\mathcal{M}_A(x) \geq \mathcal{M}_A(y)$ ;  $\mathcal{N}_A(x) \leq \mathcal{N}_A(y)$  whenever  $x \in \langle y \rangle$ , the principal ideal generated by  $y$ .

Proof: Since  $\mathcal{S}$  is a semiring with identity, we find that

$\langle y \rangle = \{ \sum_{i=1}^n r_i y s_i : r_i, s_i \in \mathcal{S} \text{ and } n \in \mathbb{N} \}$ . Now  $x \in \langle y \rangle$  implies that  $x = \sum_{i=1}^n r_i y s_i$  for some  $r_i, s_i \in \mathcal{S}$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $\mathcal{M}_A(x) = \mathcal{M}_A(\sum_{i=1}^n r_i y s_i)$

$$= \mathcal{M}_A(r_1 y s_1 + r_2 y s_2 + \dots + r_n y s_n)$$

$$= \mathcal{M}_A((r_1 y s_1 + r_2 y s_2 + \dots + r_{n-1} y s_{n-1}) + r_n y s_n)$$

$$\geq \text{Mint} \{ \mathcal{M}_A(r_1 y s_1 + r_2 y s_2 + \dots + r_{n-1} y s_{n-1}), \mathcal{M}_A(r_n y s_n) \} \text{ (Since } A \text{ is an interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of } \mathcal{S} \text{.)}$$

$$\geq \text{Mint} \{ \mathcal{M}_A(r_1 y s_1 + r_2 y s_2 + \dots + r_{n-1} y s_{n-1}), \text{Max}^i(\mathcal{M}_A(r_n y), \mathcal{M}_A(s_n)) \} \text{ (Since } A \text{ is an interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of } \mathcal{S} \text{.)}$$

$$\geq \text{Mint} \{ \mathcal{M}_A(r_1 y s_1 + r_2 y s_2 + \dots + r_{n-1} y s_{n-1}), \text{Max}^i(\text{Max}^i(\mathcal{M}_A(r_n), \mathcal{M}_A(y)), \mathcal{M}_A(s_n)) \}$$

$$\geq \text{Mint} \{ \mathcal{M}_A(r_1 y s_1 + r_2 y s_2 + \dots + r_{n-1} y s_{n-1}), \mathcal{M}_A(y) \}$$

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$$\geq \mathcal{M}_A(y).$$

Thus we get that  $\mathcal{M}_A(x) \geq \mathcal{M}_A(y)$ .

$$\mathcal{N}_A(x) = \mathcal{N}_A\left(\sum_{i=1}^n r_i y s_i\right)$$

$$= \mathcal{N}_A(r_1 y s_1 + r_2 y s_2 + \dots + r_n y s_n)$$

$$= \mathcal{N}_A((r_1 y s_1 + r_2 y s_2 + \dots + r_{n-1} y s_{n-1}) + r_n y s_n)$$

$$\geq \text{Max}^i \{ \mathcal{N}_A(r_1 y s_1 + r_2 y s_2 + \dots + r_{n-1} y s_{n-1}), \mathcal{N}_A(r_n y s_n) \} \text{ (Since } A \text{ is an interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of } \mathcal{S} \text{.)}$$

$$\leq \text{Max}^i \{ \mathcal{N}_A(r_1 y s_1 + r_2 y s_2 + \dots + r_{n-1} y s_{n-1}), \text{Mint}(\mathcal{N}_A(r_n y), \mathcal{N}_A(s_n)) \} \text{ (Since } A \text{ is an interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of } \mathcal{S} \text{.)}$$

$$\leq \text{Max}^i \{ \mathcal{N}_A(r_1 y s_1 + r_2 y s_2 + \dots + r_{n-1} y s_{n-1}), \text{Mint}(\text{Mint}(\mathcal{N}_A(r_n), \mathcal{N}_A(y)), \mathcal{N}_A(s_n)) \}$$

$$\leq \text{Max}^i \{ \mathcal{N}_A(r_1 y s_1 + r_2 y s_2 + \dots + r_{n-1} y s_{n-1}), \mathcal{N}_A(y) \}$$

.

$\leq \mathcal{N}_A(y)$ .

Thus we get that  $\mathcal{N}_A(x) \leq \mathcal{N}_A(y)$ .

### Theorem 3.4

Let  $I$  be an ideal of a semiring  $S$  and  $[\alpha, \beta] \leq [\gamma, \delta] \neq \hat{0}$  be any two interval valued intuitionistic fuzzy numbers on  $[0,1]$ . Then the interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy subset  $A$  of  $S$  defined by

$$\mathcal{M}_A(x) = \begin{cases} [\gamma, \delta] & \text{when } x \in I \\ [\alpha, \beta] & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \mathcal{N}_A(x) = \begin{cases} [1 - \gamma, 1 - \delta] & \text{when } x \in I \\ [1 - \alpha, 1 - \beta] & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \text{ is an interval-valued}$$

intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$ .

Proof: Since  $I$  is an ideal of  $S$ , we have  $0_S \in I$ . Then  $\mathcal{M}_A(0_S) = [\gamma, \delta] \neq \hat{0}$  and  $\mathcal{N}_A(0_S) = [1 - \gamma, 1 - \delta] \neq \hat{0}$ . So  $\mathcal{M}_A(x)$  is non-empty.

Now let  $x, y \in S$ .

Case: 1

Let  $Max^i(\mathcal{M}_A(x), \mathcal{M}_A(y)) = [\alpha, \beta]$  and  $Min^i(\mathcal{N}_A(x), \mathcal{N}_A(y)) = [1 - \alpha, 1 - \beta]$ .

Then  $\mathcal{M}_A(x) = [\alpha, \beta]$  and  $\mathcal{N}_A(x) = [1 - \alpha, 1 - \beta]$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_A(y) = [\alpha, \beta] &\Rightarrow \mathcal{M}_A(xy) \geq [\alpha, \beta] = Max^i(\mathcal{M}_A(x), \mathcal{M}_A(y)) \text{ and} \\ \mathcal{N}_A(y) = [1 - \alpha, 1 - \beta] &\Rightarrow \mathcal{N}_A(xy) \leq [1 - \alpha, 1 - \beta] \text{ and } \mathcal{M}_A(x+y) \geq [\alpha, \beta] = Min^i(\mathcal{M}_A(x), \mathcal{M}_A(y)) \text{ and} \\ &\mathcal{N}_A(x+y) \leq [1 - \alpha, 1 - \beta] = Max^i(\mathcal{N}_A(x), \mathcal{N}_A(y)). \end{aligned}$$

Case: ii

Let  $Max^i(\mathcal{M}_A(x), \mathcal{M}_A(y)) = [\gamma, \delta]$  and  $Min^i(\mathcal{N}_A(x), \mathcal{N}_A(y)) = [1 - \gamma, 1 - \delta]$ .

Then  $\mathcal{M}_A(x) = [\gamma, \delta]$ ;  $\mathcal{N}_A(x) = [1 - \gamma, 1 - \delta]$ ; or  $\mathcal{M}_A(y) = [\gamma, \delta]$ ;  $\mathcal{N}_A(y) = [1 - \gamma, 1 - \delta]$ ;

$\Rightarrow x \in I$  or  $y \in I \Rightarrow xy \in I$  (since  $I$  is an ideal of  $S$ )

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{M}_A(xy) = [\gamma, \delta] = Max^i(\mathcal{M}_A(x), \mathcal{M}_A(y))$  and  $\mathcal{N}_A(xy) = [1 - \gamma, 1 - \delta] = Min^i(\mathcal{N}_A(x), \mathcal{N}_A(y))$

Now,  $Max^i(\mathcal{M}_A(x), \mathcal{M}_A(y)) = [\gamma, \delta] \Rightarrow Min^i(\mathcal{M}_A(x), \mathcal{M}_A(y)) = [\alpha, \beta]$  or  $[\gamma, \delta]$

$Min^i(\mathcal{N}_A(x), \mathcal{N}_A(y)) = [1 - \gamma, 1 - \delta] \Rightarrow Max^i(\mathcal{N}_A(x), \mathcal{N}_A(y)) = [1 - \alpha, 1 - \beta]$  or  $[1 - \gamma, 1 - \delta]$

$Min^i(\mathcal{M}_A(x), \mathcal{M}_A(y)) = [\alpha, \beta] \Rightarrow \mathcal{M}_A(x+y) \geq [\alpha, \beta] = Min^i(\mathcal{M}_A(x), \mathcal{M}_A(y))$  and

$Max^i(\mathcal{N}_A(x), \mathcal{N}_A(y)) = [1 - \alpha, 1 - \beta] \Rightarrow \mathcal{N}_A(x+y) \leq [1 - \alpha, 1 - \beta] = Max^i(\mathcal{N}_A(x), \mathcal{N}_A(y))$

$Min^i(\mathcal{M}_A(x), \mathcal{M}_A(y)) = [\gamma, \delta] \Rightarrow \mathcal{M}_A(x) = [\gamma, \delta]$  and  $\mathcal{M}_A(y) = [\gamma, \delta] \Rightarrow x \in I$  and  $y \in I \Rightarrow x+y \in I$

$Max^i(\mathcal{N}_A(x), \mathcal{N}_A(y)) = [1 - \gamma, 1 - \delta] \Rightarrow \mathcal{N}_A(x) = [1 - \gamma, 1 - \delta]$  and  $\mathcal{N}_A(y) = [1 - \gamma, 1 - \delta] \Rightarrow x \in I$  and  $y \in I \Rightarrow x+y \in I$  (since  $I$  is an ideal of  $S$ ).

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{M}_A(x+y) = [\gamma, \delta] = Min^i(\mathcal{M}_A(x), \mathcal{M}_A(y))$  and  $\mathcal{N}_A(x+y) = [1 - \gamma, 1 - \delta] = Max^i(\mathcal{N}_A(x), \mathcal{N}_A(y))$

$\mathcal{M}_A(xy) \geq Max^i(\mathcal{M}_A(x), \mathcal{M}_A(y))$  and  $\mathcal{N}_A(xy) \leq Min^i(\mathcal{N}_A(x), \mathcal{N}_A(y))$

Consequently,  $\mathcal{M}_A$  is an interval-valued fuzzy ideal of  $S$ .

### Theorem 3.5

Let  $A$  be an interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of a semiring  $\mathcal{S}$ . Then the set  $\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_0 = (\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_0, \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_0)$  where  $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_0 = \{x \in \mathcal{S} : \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_A(x) = \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_A(0_s)\}$  and  $\tilde{\mathcal{N}}_0 = \{x \in \mathcal{S} : \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_A(x) = \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_A(0_s)\}$  is an ideal of  $\mathcal{S}$ .

Proof:

Since  $0_s \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_0$  is non-empty. Let  $x, y \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_0$ . Then  $\tilde{\mathcal{A}}(x) = \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_0(0_s) = \tilde{\mathcal{A}}(y)$ . Now since  $\tilde{\mathcal{A}}$  is an interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $\mathcal{S}$ , we have  $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_A(x+y) \geq \text{Min}^i(\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_A(x), \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_A(y)) = \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_A(0_s)$  and  $\tilde{\mathcal{N}}_A(x+y) \leq \text{Max}^i(\tilde{\mathcal{N}}_A(x), \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_A(y)) = \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_A(0_s)$ . Also by remark 1, we have  $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_A(0_s) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_A(x+y)$ ;  $\tilde{\mathcal{N}}_A(0_s) \leq \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_A(x+y)$ . Thus  $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_A(x+y) = \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_A(0_s)$ ;  $\tilde{\mathcal{N}}_A(x+y) = \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_A(0_s)$ . So  $x+y \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_0$ .

Let  $s \in \mathcal{S}$  and  $t \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_0$ . Then  $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_A(st) = \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_A(0_s)$ ;  $\tilde{\mathcal{N}}_A(st) = \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_A(0_s)$ .

Now since  $\tilde{\mathcal{A}}$  is an interval-valued intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $\mathcal{S}$ , we have

$$\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_A(st) \geq \text{Max}^i(\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_A(s), \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_A(t)) = \text{Max}^i(\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_A(s), \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_A(0_s)) = \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_A(0_s) \text{ and}$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{N}}_A(st) \leq \text{Min}^i(\tilde{\mathcal{N}}_A(s), \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_A(t)) = \text{Min}^i(\tilde{\mathcal{N}}_A(s), \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_A(0_s)) = \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_A(0_s)$$

Also, since  $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_A(0_s) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_A(st)$ ;  $\tilde{\mathcal{N}}_A(0_s) \leq \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_A(st)$ , we have

$$\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_A(st) = \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_A(0_s); \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_A(st) = \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_A(0_s). \text{ Thus } st \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_0. \text{ Similarly, we can show that } ts \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_0.$$

Hence  $\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_0$  is an ideal of  $\mathcal{S}$ .

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