

# Intuitionistic Fuzzy Ideal Extensions of $\Gamma$ -Semigroups

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper the concept of the extensions of intuitionistic fuzzy ideals in a semigroup has been extended to a  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups. Among other results characterization of prime ideals in a  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups in terms of intuitionistic fuzzy ideal extension has been obtained.

## 1. Introduction

$\Gamma$ -Semigroups was introduced by Sen and Saha[14] as a generalization of semigroup and ternary semigroup. Many results of semigroups could be extended to  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups directly and via operator semigroups[4] of a  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups. The concept of intuitionistic fuzzy set was introduced by Atanassove[2, 3], as a generalization of the notion of fuzzy set. Many results of semigroups have been studied in terms of fuzzy sets[16]. Kuroki[5,6] is the main contributor to this study. Motivated by Kuroki [5,6], Xie[15], Mustafa et all[9] we have initiated the study of  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups in terms of intuitionistic fuzzy sets. This paper is a continuation of [7],[8]. In this paper, the concept of the extensions of intuitionistic fuzzy ideals in a semigroup, introduced by Xie, has been extended to the general situation of  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups. We have investigated some of its properties in terms of intuitionistic fuzzy prime and intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime ideals of  $\Gamma$ -semigroup. Among other results we have obtained characterization of prime ideals in a  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups in terms of intuitionistic fuzzy ideal extension. The above introduction is mostly a part of [11]

## 2. Preliminaries

**2.1. Definition[4].** Let  $S$  and  $\Gamma$  be two non-empty sets.  $S$  is called a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup[4] if there exist mappings from  $S \times \Gamma \times S$  to  $S$ , written as  $(a, \alpha, b) \rightarrow a\alpha b$ , and from  $\Gamma \times S \times \Gamma$  to  $\Gamma$ , written as  $(\alpha, a, \beta) \rightarrow \alpha a \beta$  satisfying the following associative laws

$$(a\alpha b)\beta c = a(\alpha\beta)c = a\alpha(b\beta c) \text{ and } \alpha(a\beta b)\gamma = (\alpha a\beta)b\gamma = \alpha a(\beta b\gamma)$$

for all  $a, b, c \in S$  and for all  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \Gamma$ .

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**2.2. Definition [2].** An intuitionistic fuzzy set  $A$  of a non-empty set  $X$  is an object having of the form

$$A = \{(x, \mu_A(x), \gamma_A(x)) : x \in X\}$$

where the function  $\mu_A : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  and  $\gamma_A : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  denote the degree of membership and the degree of nonmembership of each element  $x \in X$  to the set  $A$ , and  $0 \leq \mu_A(x) + \gamma_A(x) \leq 1$  for all  $x \in X$ .

For the sake of simplicity, We shall use the symbol  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  for the intuitionistic fuzzy set  $A = \{(x, \mu_A(x), \gamma_A(x)) : x \in S\}$ .  $\text{Im}(\mu_A)$  denote the image set of  $\mu_A$ . Similarly  $\text{Im}(\gamma_A)$  denote the image set of  $\gamma_A$ .

**2.3. Definition [15].** The set of all intuitionistic fuzzy subsets  $A = (\mu_A, v_A)$  and  $B = (\mu_B, v_B)$  of a set  $X$  with the relation

$$A \subseteq B \text{ iff } \mu_A \leq \mu_B \text{ and } v_A \geq v_B$$

$\forall x \in X$  is a complete lattice.

For a nonempty family  $\{A_i = (\mu_{A_i}, v_{A_i}) : i \in I\}$  of intuitionistic fuzzy subsets of  $X$ , the  $\inf A_i = \{(\inf \mu_{A_i}, \sup v_{A_i}) : i \in I\}$  and the  $\sup A_i = \{(\sup \mu_{A_i}, \inf v_{A_i}) : i \in I\}$  are the intuitionistic fuzzy subsets of  $X$  defined by:

$$\begin{aligned} \inf A_i : X &\longrightarrow [0, 1], x \longrightarrow \{(\inf \mu_{A_i}(x), \sup v_{A_i}(x)) : i \in I\} \\ \sup A_i : X &\longrightarrow [0, 1], x \longrightarrow \{(\sup \mu_{A_i}(x), \inf v_{A_i}(x)) : i \in I\} \text{ where } \inf \mu_{A_i}(x) = \\ &\inf \{\mu_{A_i}(x) : i \in I\} \text{ and } \sup v_{A_i}(x) = \sup \{v_{A_i}(x) : i \in I\} \text{ and similarly for } \sup \mu_{A_i}(x) \\ &\text{and } \inf v_{A_i}(x). \end{aligned}$$

**2.4. Definition [8].** A non-empty intuitionistic fuzzy subset  $A = (\mu_A, v_A)$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  is called a intuitionistic fuzzy left ideal(right ideal) of  $S$  if

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_A(x\gamma y) &\geq \mu_A(y) & (\mu_A(x\gamma y) \geq \mu_A(y)) \\ v_A(x\gamma y) &\leq v_A(y) & (v_A(x\gamma y) \leq v_A(y)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\forall x, y \in S, \forall \gamma \in \Gamma.$$

**2.5. Definition [8].** A non-empty intuitionistic fuzzy subset  $A = (\mu_A, v_A)$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  is called an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$  if it is both intuitionistic fuzzy left ideal and intuitionistic fuzzy right ideal of  $S$ .

**2.6. Definition [7].** An intuitionistic fuzzy ideal  $A = (\mu_A, v_A)$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  is called intuitionistic fuzzy prime ideal

$$\inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x\gamma y) = \{\mu_A(x) \vee \mu_A(y)\}$$

and

$$\sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} v_A(x\gamma y) = \{v_A(x) \wedge v_A(y)\}$$

$$\forall x, y \in S.$$

**2.7. Definition.** An intuitionistic fuzzy ideal  $A = (\mu_A, v_A)$  of a  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups  $S$  is called intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime ideal if

$$\mu_A(x) \geq \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x\gamma x)$$

and

$$v_A(x) \leq \sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} v_A(x\gamma x)$$

$$\forall x, y \in S.$$

**2.8. Definition [4].** Let  $S$  be a  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups. Then an ideal  $I$  of  $S$  is said to be

- (i) prime if for ideals  $A, B$  of  $S$ ,  $A\Gamma B \subseteq I$  implies that  $A \subseteq I$  or  $B \subseteq I$ .
- (ii) semiprime if for an ideal  $A$  of  $S$ ,  $A\Gamma A \subseteq I$  implies that  $A \subseteq I$ .

**2.9. Proposition [7, 8].** Let  $S$  be a  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups and  $\phi = I \subseteq S$ . Then  $I$  is an ideal (prime ideal, semiprime ideal) of  $S$  iff  $X = (\Phi_I, \Psi_I)$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal (resp. intuitionistic fuzzy prime ideal, intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime ideal) of  $S$ , where  $X = (\Phi_I, \Psi_I)$  is the characteristic function of  $I$ .

**2.10. Theorem [7,8].** Let  $I$  be an ideal of a  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups  $S$ . Then the following are equivalent:

- (i)  $I$  is prime(semiprime).
- (ii) for  $x, y \in S$ ,  $x\Gamma y \subseteq I \implies x \in I$  or  $y \in I$  (resp.  $x\Gamma x \subseteq I \implies x \in I$ ).
- (iii) for  $x, y \in S$ ,  $x\Gamma S\Gamma y \subseteq I \implies x \in I$  or  $y \in I$  (resp.  $x\Gamma S\Gamma x \subseteq I \implies x \in I$ ).

### 3. Intuitionistic Fuzzy Ideal Extensions

**3.1. Definition.** Let  $S$  be a  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups,  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy subset of  $S$  and  $x \in S$ , then

$$\langle x, A \rangle (y) = \{(y, \langle x, \mu_A \rangle (y), \langle x, \nu_A \rangle (y)) : x \in X\}$$

is the intuitionistic fuzzy subset of  $S$ . where the function  $\langle x, \mu_A \rangle : S \rightarrow [0, 1]$  and  $\langle x, \nu_A \rangle : S \rightarrow [0, 1]$  defined by  $\langle x, \mu_A \rangle (y) = \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x\gamma y)$  and  $\langle x, \nu_A \rangle (y) = \sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \nu_A(x\gamma y)$  is called the extension of  $A$  by  $x$ .

**Example (a):** Let  $S$  be the set of all non-positive integers and  $\Gamma$  be the set of all non-positive even integers. Then  $S$  is a  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups where  $a\gamma b$  and  $\alpha a\beta$  denote the usual multiplication of integers  $a, \gamma, b$  and  $\alpha, a, \beta$  respectively with  $a, b \in S$  and  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \Gamma$ . Let  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy subset of  $S$ , defined as follows

$$\mu_A(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ 0.1 & \text{if } x = -1, -2 \\ 0.2 & \text{if } x < -2 \end{cases}$$

and

$$\nu_A(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ 0.7 & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Then the intuitionistic fuzzy subset  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  of  $S$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$ .

For  $x = 0 \in S$ ,  $\langle x, \mu_A \rangle (y) = 1$  and  $\langle x, \nu_A \rangle (y) = 0 \forall y \in S$ . For all other  $x \in S$ ,  $\langle x, \mu_A \rangle (y) = 0.2$  and  $\langle x, \nu_A \rangle (y) = 0.7 \forall y \in S$ .

Thus  $\langle x, A \rangle$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal extension of  $A$  by  $x$ .

**3.2. Proposition.** Let  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of a commutative  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups  $S$  and  $x \in S$ . Then  $\langle x, A \rangle$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$ .

**PROOF.** Let  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of a commutative  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups  $S$  and  $p, q \in S$ ,  $\beta \in \Gamma$ . Then

$$\langle x, \mu_A \rangle (p\beta q) = \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x\gamma p\beta q) \geq \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x\gamma p) = \langle x, \mu_A \rangle (p)$$

and

$$\langle x, v_A \rangle (p\beta q) = \sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} v_A(x\gamma p\beta q) \leq \sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} v_A(x\gamma p) = \langle x, v_A \rangle (p)$$

Thus  $\langle x, A \rangle$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy right ideal of  $S$ . Hence  $S$  being commutative  $\langle x, A \rangle$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$ .  $\square$

**3.3. Remark.** Commutativity of  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups  $S$  is not required to prove that  $\langle x, A \rangle$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy right ideal of  $S$  when  $A = (\mu_A, \gamma_A)$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy right ideal of  $S$ .

**3.4. Proposition.** Let  $S$  be a commutative  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups and  $A = (\mu_A, v_A)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy prime ideal of  $S$ . Then  $\langle x, A \rangle$  is intuitionistic fuzzy prime ideal of  $S$  for all  $x \in S$ .

PROOF. Let  $A = (\mu_A, v_A)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy prime ideal of  $S$ . Then by Proposition 3.2,  $\langle x, A \rangle$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$ . Let  $y, z \in S$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \inf_{\beta \in \Gamma} \langle x, \mu_A \rangle (y\beta z) &= \inf_{\beta \in \Gamma} \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x\gamma y\beta z) \text{ by 3.1} \\ &= \inf_{\beta \in \Gamma} \{\mu_A(x) \vee \mu_A(y\beta z)\} \text{ by 2.6} \\ &= \{\mu_A(x) \vee \inf_{\beta \in \Gamma} \mu_A(y\beta z)\} \\ &= \{\mu_A(x) \vee \{\mu_A(y) \vee \mu_A(z)\}\} \\ &= \{(\mu_A(x) \vee \mu_A(y)) \vee (\mu_A(x) \vee \mu_A(z))\} \\ &= \left\{ \inf_{\ell \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x\ell y) \vee \inf_{\varepsilon \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x\varepsilon z) \right\} \\ &= \langle x, \mu_A \rangle (y) \vee \langle x, \mu_A \rangle (z) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{\beta \in \Gamma} \langle x, v_A \rangle (y\beta z) &= \sup_{\beta \in \Gamma} \sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} v_A(x\gamma y\beta z) \text{ by 3.1} \\ &= \sup_{\beta \in \Gamma} \{v_A(x) \wedge v_A(y\beta z)\} \text{ by 2.6} \\ &= \{v_A(x) \wedge \sup_{\beta \in \Gamma} v_A(y\beta z)\} \\ &= \{v_A(x) \wedge \{v_A(y) \wedge v_A(z)\}\} \\ &= \{(v_A(x) \wedge v_A(y)) \wedge (v_A(x) \wedge v_A(z))\} \\ &= \left\{ \sup_{\ell \in \Gamma} v_A(x\ell y) \wedge \sup_{\varepsilon \in \Gamma} v_A(x\varepsilon z) \right\} \\ &= \langle x, v_A \rangle (y) \wedge \langle x, v_A \rangle (z) \end{aligned}$$

Hence by Definition 2.6,  $\langle x, A \rangle$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy prime ideal of  $S$ .  $\square$

**3.5. Definition.** Suppose  $S$  is a  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups and  $A = (\mu_A, v_A)$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy subset of  $S$ . Then we define  $\text{supp } \mu_A = \{x \in S : \mu_A(x) > 0\}$  and  $\text{inf } v_A = \{x \in S : v_A(x) < 1\}$

**3.6. Proposition.** Let  $S$  be a  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups,  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$  and  $x \in S$ . Then we have the following:

- (1)  $A \subseteq \langle x, A \rangle$ .
- (2)  $\langle (x\alpha)^n x, A \rangle \subseteq \langle (x\alpha)^{n+1} x, A \rangle \forall \alpha \in \Gamma, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- (3) If  $\mu_A(x) > 0$  and  $\nu_A(x) < 1$  then  $\text{supp} \langle x, \mu_A \rangle = S$  and  $\text{inf} \langle x, \nu_A \rangle = S$ .

PROOF. (1). Let  $y \in S$ . Then

$$\langle x, \mu_A \rangle (y) = \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x\gamma y) \geq \mu_A(y)$$

and

$$\langle x, \nu_A \rangle (y) = \sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \nu_A(x\gamma y) \leq \nu_A(y)$$

(since  $A$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$ ). Hence  $A \subseteq \langle x, A \rangle$ .

(2). In (2) we have to prove that

$$\begin{aligned} (\langle (x\alpha)^n x, \mu_A \rangle) &\leq (\langle (x\alpha)^{n+1} x, \mu_A \rangle) \text{ and} \\ (\langle (x\alpha)^n x, \nu_A \rangle) &\geq (\langle (x\alpha)^{n+1} x, \nu_A \rangle) \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} (\langle (x\alpha)^{n+1} x, \mu_A \rangle) (y) &= \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A((x\alpha)^{n+1} x\gamma y) \\ &= \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x\alpha (x\alpha)^n x\gamma y) \\ &\geq \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A((x\alpha)^n x\gamma y) \\ &= \langle (x\alpha)^n x, \mu_A \rangle (y) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (\langle (x\alpha)^{n+1} x, \nu_A \rangle) (y) &= \sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \nu_A((x\alpha)^{n+1} x\gamma y) \\ &= \sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \nu_A(x\alpha (x\alpha)^n x\gamma y) \\ &\leq \sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \nu_A((x\alpha)^n x\gamma y) \\ &= \langle (x\alpha)^n x, \nu_A \rangle (y) \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\langle (x\alpha)^n x, A \rangle \subseteq \langle (x\alpha)^{n+1} x, A \rangle \forall \alpha \in \Gamma, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

(3). Since  $\langle x, A \rangle$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy subset of  $S$ , by definition,  $\text{supp} \langle x, A \rangle \subseteq S$ . Let  $y \in S$ . Since  $A$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$ , we have,

$$\langle x, \mu_A \rangle (y) = \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x\gamma y) \geq \mu_A(x) > 0$$

and

$$\langle x, \nu_A \rangle (y) = \sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \nu_A(x\gamma y) \leq \nu_A(x) < 1$$

Then  $\langle x, \mu_A \rangle (y) > 0$  and  $\langle x, \nu_A \rangle (y) < 1$ . So  $y \in \text{supp} \langle x, \mu_A \rangle$  and  $y \in \text{inf} \langle x, \nu_A \rangle$ .  $\square$

**3.7. Remark.** If we consider  $(x\alpha)^0 x = x$  then (2) is also true for  $n = 0$ .

**3.8. Definition.** Suppose  $S$  is a  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups,  $M \subseteq S$  and  $x \in S$ . We define  $\langle x, M \rangle = \{y \in S \mid x\Gamma y \subseteq M\}$ , where  $x\Gamma y := \{x\alpha y : \alpha \in \Gamma\}$ .

**3.9. Proposition.** Let  $\phi = M \subseteq S$ . Then  $\langle x, \Phi_M \rangle = \Phi_{\langle x, M \rangle}$  and  $\langle x, \Psi_M \rangle = \Psi_{\langle x, M \rangle}$  for every  $x \in S$ , where  $(\Phi_M, \Psi_M)$  denotes the characteristic function of  $M$ , where

$$\Phi_M(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in M \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin M \end{cases}, \quad \Psi_M(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \in M \\ 1 & \text{if } x \notin M \end{cases}$$

PROOF. Let  $x, y \in S$ . Then two cases may arise viz. Case (i)  $y \in \langle x, M \rangle$ . Case (ii)  $y \notin \langle x, M \rangle$ .

Case (i)  $y \in \langle x, M \rangle$ . Then  $x\Gamma y \subseteq M$ . Hence  $x\gamma y \in M \forall \gamma \in \Gamma$ . This means  $\Phi_M(x\gamma y) = 1$  and  $\Psi_M(x\gamma y) = 0 \forall \gamma \in \Gamma$ . Hence  $\inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \Phi_M(x\gamma y) = 1$  and  $\sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \Psi_M(x\gamma y) = 0$  whence  $\langle x, \Phi_M \rangle = 1$  and  $\langle x, \Psi_M \rangle = 0$ . Also  $\Phi_{\langle x, M \rangle} = 1$  and  $\Psi_{\langle x, M \rangle} = 0$ .

Case (ii)  $y \notin \langle x, M \rangle$ . Then there exists  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  such that  $x\gamma y \notin M$ . So  $\Phi_M(x\gamma y) = 0$  and  $\Psi_M(x\gamma y) = 1$ . Hence  $\inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \Phi_M(x\gamma y) = 0$  and  $\sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \Psi_M(x\gamma y) = 1$ . Thus  $\langle x, \Phi_M \rangle = 0$  and  $\langle x, \Psi_M \rangle = 1$ . Again  $\Phi_{\langle x, M \rangle} = 0$  and  $\Psi_{\langle x, M \rangle} = 1$ . Thus we conclude  $\langle x, \Phi_M \rangle = \Phi_{\langle x, M \rangle}$  and  $\langle x, \Psi_M \rangle = \Psi_{\langle x, M \rangle}$ .  $\square$

**3.10. Proposition.** Let  $S$  be a  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups and  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  be a nonempty intuitionistic fuzzy subset of  $S$ . Then for any  $t \in [0, 1]$ ,  $\langle x, A_t \rangle = \langle x, A \rangle_t$  for all  $x \in S$ . where  $A_t$  denotes  $U(\mu_A: t)$  and  $L(\nu_A: t)$ .

PROOF. Let  $y \in \langle x, A \rangle_t$ . This means  $y \in U(\langle x, \mu_A \rangle: t)$  and  $y \in L(\langle x, \nu_A \rangle: t)$ . Then  $\langle x, \mu_A \rangle(y) \geq t$  and  $\langle x, \nu_A \rangle(y) \leq t$ . Hence  $\inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x\gamma y) \geq t$  and  $\sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \nu_A(x\gamma y) \leq t$ . This gives  $\mu_A(x\gamma y) \geq t$  and  $\nu_A(x\gamma y) \leq t$  for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  and hence  $x\gamma y \in U(\mu_A: t)$  and  $x\gamma y \in L(\nu_A: t)$  for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Consequently,  $y \in \langle x, U(\mu_A: t) \rangle$  and  $y \in \langle x, L(\nu_A: t) \rangle$ . i.e  $y \in \langle x, A_t \rangle$ . It follows that  $\langle x, A \rangle_t \subseteq \langle x, A_t \rangle$ . Reversing the above argument we can deduce that  $\langle x, A_t \rangle \subseteq \langle x, A \rangle_t$ . Hence  $\langle x, A_t \rangle = \langle x, A \rangle_t$ .  $\square$

**3.11. Proposition.** Let  $S$  be a commutative  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups i.e.,  $a\alpha b = b\alpha a \forall a, b \in S, \forall \alpha \in \Gamma$  and  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy subset of  $S$  such that  $\langle x, A \rangle = A$  for every  $x \in S$ . Then  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  is a constant function.

PROOF. Let  $x, y \in S$ . Then by hypothesis we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_A(x) &= \langle y, \mu_A \rangle(x) \\ &= \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A(y\gamma x) \\ &= \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x\gamma y) \\ &= \langle x, \mu_A \rangle(y) = \mu_A(y) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_A(x) &= \langle y, \nu_A \rangle(x) \\ &= \sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \nu_A(y\gamma x) \\ &= \sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \nu_A(x\gamma y) \\ &= \langle x, \nu_A \rangle(y) = \nu_A(y) \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  is a constant function.  $\square$

3.11.1. *Corollary.* Let  $S$  be a commutative  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups,  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy prime ideal of  $S$ . If  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  is not constant, then  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  is not a maximal intuitionistic fuzzy prime ideal of  $S$ .

PROOF. Let  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy prime ideal of  $S$ . Then, by Proposition 3.4 for each  $x \in S$ ,  $\langle x, A \rangle$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy prime ideal of  $S$ . Now by Proposition 3.6 (1)  $A \subseteq \langle x, A \rangle$  for all  $x \in S$ . If  $\langle x, A \rangle = A$  for all  $x \in S$  then by Proposition 3.11  $A$  is constant which is not the case by hypothesis. Hence there exists  $x \in S$  such that  $A \subset \langle x, A \rangle$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

**3.12. Proposition.** Let  $S$  be a commutative  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups. If  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime ideal of  $S$ , then  $\langle x, A \rangle$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime ideal of  $S$  for every  $x \in S$ .

PROOF. Let  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime ideal of  $S$  and  $x, y \in S$ . Then  $\inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \langle x, \mu_A \rangle (y\gamma y) = \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \inf_{\delta \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x\delta y\gamma y) \leq \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \inf_{\delta \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x\delta y\gamma y\delta x)$  (since  $A$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$ )  $= \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \inf_{\delta \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x\delta y\gamma x\delta y)$  (using commutativity of  $S$  and Definition 2.7)  $= \langle x, \mu_A \rangle (y)$ . And  $\sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \langle x, \nu_A \rangle (y\gamma y) = \sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \sup_{\delta \in \Gamma} \nu_A(x\delta y\gamma y) \geq \sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \sup_{\delta \in \Gamma} \nu_A(x\delta y\gamma y\delta x)$  (since  $A$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$ )  $= \sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \sup_{\delta \in \Gamma} \nu_A(x\delta y\gamma x\delta y)$  (using commutativity of  $S$  and Definition 2.7)  $= \langle x, \nu_A \rangle (y)$ .

Again by Proposition 3.2,  $\langle x, A \rangle$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$ . Consequently,  $\langle x, A \rangle$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime ideal of  $S$  for all  $x \in S$ .  $\square$

**3.13. Corollary.** Let  $S$  be a commutative  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups,  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$  be a non-empty family of intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime ideals of  $S$  and let  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A) = (\inf_{i \in I} \mu_{A_i}, \sup_{i \in I} \nu_{A_i})$ . Then for any  $x \in S$ ,  $\langle x, A \rangle$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime ideal of  $S$ .

PROOF. Since each  $A_i = (\mu_{A_i}, \nu_{A_i})$  ( $i \in I$ ) is an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal,  $\mu_{A_i}(0) \neq 0$  and  $\nu_{A_i}(0) \neq 1 \forall i \in I$  (Each  $\mu_{A_i}$  and  $\nu_{A_i}$  are non-empty, so there exists  $x_i \in S$  such that  $\mu_{A_i}(x_i) \neq 0$  and  $\nu_{A_i}(x_i) \neq 1 \forall i \in I$ . Also  $\mu_{A_i}(0) = \mu_{A_i}(0\gamma x_i) \geq \mu_{A_i}(x_i)$  and  $\nu_{A_i}(0) = \nu_{A_i}(0\gamma x_i) \leq \nu_{A_i}(x_i) \forall i \in I$ . Hence  $\forall i \in I, \mu_{A_i}(0) \neq 0$  and  $\nu_{A_i}(0) \neq 1$ ). Consequently,  $\mu_A \neq 0$  and  $\nu_A \neq 1$ . Thus  $A$  is non-empty. Now let  $x, y \in S$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_A(x\gamma y) &= \inf \{ \mu_{A_i} : i \in I \} (x\gamma y) \\ &= \inf \{ \mu_{A_i}(x\gamma y) : i \in I \} \\ &\geq \inf \{ \mu_{A_i}(x) : i \in I \} \\ &= \mu_A(x) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
v_A(x\gamma y) &= \sup \{v_{A_i} : i \in I\} (x\gamma y) \\
&= \sup \{v_{A_i}(x\gamma y) : i \in I\} \\
&\leq \sup \{v_{A_i}(x) : i \in I\} \\
&= v_A(x)
\end{aligned}$$

Hence  $S$  being a commutative  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups  $A$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$ .

Now if  $a \in S$  then

$$\begin{aligned}
\mu_A(a) &= \inf \{ \mu_{A_i} : i \in I \} (a) \\
&= \inf \{ \mu_{A_i}(a) : i \in I \} \\
&\geq \inf \left\{ \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_{A_i}(a\gamma a) : i \in I \right\} \text{ cf. Definition 2.7} \\
&= \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \{ \inf \{ \mu_{A_i}(a\gamma a) : i \in I \} \} \\
&= \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \{ \inf \{ \mu_{A_i} : i \in I \} (a\gamma a) \} \\
&= \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A(a\gamma a)
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
v_A(a) &= \sup \{ v_{A_i} : i \in I \} (a) \\
&= \sup \{ v_{A_i}(a) : i \in I \} \\
&\leq \sup \left\{ \sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} v_{A_i}(a\gamma a) : i \in I \right\} \text{ cf. Definition 2.7} \\
&= \sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \{ \sup \{ v_{A_i}(a\gamma a) : i \in I \} \} \\
&= \sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \{ \sup \{ v_{A_i} : i \in I \} (a\gamma a) \} \\
&= \sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} v_A(a\gamma a)
\end{aligned}$$

This means,  $A = (\mu_A, v_A)$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime ideal of  $S$ . Hence by Proposition 3.13, for any  $x \in S$   $\langle x, A \rangle$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime ideal of  $S$ .  $\square$

**3.14. Remark.** The proof of the above Corollary shows that in a  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups intersection of arbitrary family of intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime ideals is an intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime ideal.

**3.15. Corollary.** Let  $S$  be a commutative  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups,  $\{S_i\}_{i \in I}$  a non-empty family of semiprime ideals of  $S$  and  $A := \bigcap_{i \in I} S_i \neq \phi$ . Then  $\langle x, X_A \rangle$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime ideal of  $S$  for all  $x \in S$  where  $X_A = (\Phi_A, \Psi_A)$  is the characteristic function of  $A$ .

**PROOF.** By supposition  $A = \phi$ . Then for any ideal  $P$  of  $S$ ,  $P\Gamma P \subseteq A$  implies that  $P\Gamma P \subseteq S_i \forall i \in I$ . Since each  $S_i$  is a semiprime ideal of  $S$ ,  $P \subseteq S_i \forall i \in I$  (cf. Definition 2.8). So  $P \subseteq \bigcap_{i \in I} S_i = A$ . Hence  $A$  is a semiprime ideal of  $S$  (cf. Definition 2.8). So the characteristic function  $X_A = (\Phi_A, \Psi_A)$  of  $A$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime ideal of  $S$  (cf. Proposition 2.9). Hence by Proposition 3.13,  $\forall x \in S$   $\langle x, X_A \rangle$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime ideal of  $S$ .



**Alternative Proof:**  $A := \bigcap_{i \in I} S_i \neq \phi$  (by the given condition). Hence  $X_A \neq \phi$  i.e  $\Phi_A \neq \phi$  and  $\Psi_A \neq \phi$ . Let  $x \in S$ . Then  $x \in A$  or  $x \notin A$ . If  $x \in A$  then  $\Phi_A(x) = 1$  and  $\Psi_A(x) = 0$  and  $x \in S_i \forall i \in I$ . Hence

$$\inf \{\Phi_{S_i} : i \in I\}(x) = \inf \{\Phi_{S_i}(x) : i \in I\} = 1 = \Phi_A(x)$$

and

$$\sup \{\Psi_{S_i} : i \in I\}(x) = \sup \{\Psi_{S_i}(x) : i \in I\} = 0 = \Psi_A(x)$$

If  $x \notin A$  then  $\Phi_A(x) = 0$  and  $\Psi_A(x) = 1$  and for some  $i \in I$ ,  $x \notin S_i$ . It follows that  $\Phi_{S_i}(x) = 0$  and  $\Psi_{S_i}(x) = 1$ . Hence

$$\inf \{\Phi_{S_i} : i \in I\}(x) = \inf \{\Phi_{S_i}(x) : i \in I\} = 0 = \Phi_A(x)$$

and

$$\sup \{\Psi_{S_i} : i \in I\}(x) = \sup \{\Psi_{S_i}(x) : i \in I\} = 1 = \Psi_A(x)$$

Thus we see that  $\Phi_A = \inf \{\Phi_{S_i} : i \in I\}$  and  $\Psi_A = \sup \{\Psi_{S_i} : i \in I\}$ . Again  $X_{S_i} = (\Phi_{S_i}, \Psi_{S_i})$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime ideal of  $S$  for all  $i \in I$  (cf. Definition 2.9). Consequently by Corollary 3.14, for all  $x \in S, < x, X_A >$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy semiprime ideal of  $S$ .  $\square$

**3.16. Theorem.** Let  $S$  be a  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups. If  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy prime ideal of  $S$  and  $x \in S$  such that  $A(x) = \left( \inf_{y \in S} \mu_A(y), \sup_{y \in S} \nu_A(y) \right)$ , then  $< x, A > = A$ . Conversely, if  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$  such that  $< y, A > = A \forall y \in S$  with  $A(y)$  not maximal in  $A(S)$  then  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  is prime.

PROOF. Let  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy prime ideal of  $S$  and  $x \in S$  be such that  $\mu_A(x) = \inf_{y \in S} \mu_A(y)$  and  $\nu_A(x) = \sup_{y \in S} \nu_A(y)$  (it can be noted here that since each  $\mu_A(y), \nu_A(y) \in [0, 1]$ , a closed and bounded subset of  $R$ ,  $\inf_{y \in S} \mu_A(y)$  and  $\sup_{y \in S} \nu_A(y)$  exists). Let  $z \in S$ . Then  $\mu_A(x) \leq \mu_A(z)$  and  $\nu_A(x) \geq \nu_A(z)$ . Hence

$$\{\mu_A(x) \vee \mu_A(z)\} = \mu_A(z) \dots \dots \dots *$$

and

$$\{\nu_A(x) \wedge \nu_A(z)\} = \nu_A(z) \dots \dots \dots *'$$

Now  $< x, \mu_A > (z) = \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x\gamma z)$  and  $< x, \nu_A > (z) = \sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \nu_A(x\gamma z)$ . Since  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy prime ideal of  $S$ , So  $\inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x\gamma z) = \{\mu_A(x) \vee \mu_A(z)\}$  and  $\sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \nu_A(x\gamma z) = \{\nu_A(x) \wedge \nu_A(z)\}$ . This implies  $\inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x\gamma z) = \mu_A(z)$  and  $\sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \nu_A(x\gamma z) = \nu_A(z)$  (using  $*$ ,  $*'$ ). Hence  $< x, \mu_A > (z) = \mu_A(z)$  and  $< x, \nu_A > (z) = \nu_A(z)$ . Consequently,  $< x, A > = A$ .

Conversely, let  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$  such that  $< y, A > = A \forall y \in S$  with  $A(y)$  not maximal in  $A(S)$  and let  $x_1, x_2 \in S$ . Then  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  being an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of  $S$ ,  $\mu_A(x_1\gamma x_2) \geq \mu_A(x_1), \nu_A(x_1\gamma x_2) \leq \nu_A(x_1)$  and  $\mu_A(x_1\gamma x_2) \geq \mu_A(x_2), \nu_A(x_1\gamma x_2) \leq \nu_A(x_2) \forall \gamma \in \Gamma$ . This leads to  $\inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x_1\gamma x_2) \geq \mu_A(x_1)$ ,  $\sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \nu_A(x_1\gamma x_2) \leq \nu_A(x_1) \dots \dots (**)$  and  $\inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x_1\gamma x_2) \geq \mu_A(x_2)$ ,  $\sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \nu_A(x_1\gamma x_2) \leq \nu_A(x_2) \dots \dots (**')$ . Now two cases may arise viz. Case (i) Either  $(\mu_A(x_1), \nu_A(x_1))$  or  $(\mu_A(x_2), \nu_A(x_2))$  is maximal in  $A(S)$ . Case (ii) Neither

$(\mu_A(x_1), v_A(x_1))$  nor  $(\mu_A(x_2), v_A(x_2))$  is maximal in  $A(S)$ . Case (i) Without loss of generality, let  $(\mu_A(x_1), v_A(x_1))$  be maximal in  $A(S)$ . Then  $\inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x_1 \gamma x_2) \leq \mu_A(x_1)$ ,  $\sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} v_A(x_1 \gamma x_2) \geq v_A(x_1)$ . Consequently  $\inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x_1 \gamma x_2) = \mu_A(x_1) = \{\mu_A(x_1) \vee \mu_A(x_2)\}$ ,  $\sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} v_A(x_1 \gamma x_2) = v_A(x_1) = \{v_A(x_1) \wedge v_A(x_2)\}$ . Case (ii) By the hypothesis  $\langle x_1, A \rangle = v_A$ . i.e  $\langle x_1, \mu_A \rangle = \mu_A$  and  $\langle x_1, v_A \rangle = v_A$  also  $\langle x_2, \mu_A \rangle = \mu_A$  and  $\langle x_2, v_A \rangle = v_A$ . Hence  $\langle x_1, \mu_A \rangle (x_2) = \mu_A(x_2)$  and  $\langle x_1, v_A \rangle (x_2) = v_A(x_2) \implies \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x_1 \gamma x_2) = \mu_A(x_2)$  and  $\sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} v_A(x_1 \gamma x_2) = v_A(x_2)$ . So  $\inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_A(x_1 \gamma x_2) = \{\mu_A(x_1) \vee \mu_A(x_2)\}$  and  $\sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} v_A(x_1 \gamma x_2) = \{v_A(x_1) \wedge v_A(x_2)\}$  (using (\*\*), (\*\*')). Thus we conclude that  $A = (\mu_A, v_A)$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy prime ideal of  $S$ .  $\square$

To end this paper we get the following characterization theorem of a prime ideal of a  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups which follows as a corollary to the above theorem.

**3.17. Corollary.** Let  $S$  be a  $\Gamma$ -Semigroups and  $I$  be an ideal of  $S$ . Then  $I$  is prime iff for  $x \in S$  with  $x \notin I$ ,  $\langle x, X_I \rangle = X_I$ , where  $X_I = (\Phi_I, \Psi_I)$  is the characteristic function of  $I$ .

PROOF. Let  $I$  be a prime ideal of  $S$ . Then, by Proposition 2.9,  $X_I = (\Phi_I, \Psi_I)$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy prime ideal of  $S$ . For  $x \in S$  such that  $x \notin I$ , we have

$$\Phi_I(x) = 0 = \inf_{y \in S} \Phi_I(y)$$

and

$$\Psi_I(x) = 1 = \inf_{y \in S} \Psi_I(y)$$

Then by Theorem 3.17  $\langle x, X_I \rangle = X_I$ .

Conversely, let  $\langle x, X_I \rangle = X_I$  for all  $x$  in  $S$  with  $x \notin I$ . Let  $y \in S$  be such that  $X_I(y)$  is not maximal in  $X_I(S)$ . Then  $\Phi_I(y) = 0$  and  $\Psi_I(y) = 1$  so  $y \notin I$ . So  $\langle y, X_I \rangle = X_I$ . So by the Theorem 3.17,  $X_I$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy prime ideal of  $S$ . So  $I$  is prime ideal of  $S$  (cf. Proposition 2.9).  $\square$

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