

## Fuzzy Subalgebras and Fuzzy T-ideals in TM-Algebras

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**Abstract:** In this study, we introduce the concepts of fuzzy subalgebras and fuzzy ideals in TM-algebras and investigate some of its properties. **Problem statement:** Let  $X$  be a TM-algebra,  $S$  be a subalgebra of  $X$  and  $I$  be a T-ideal of  $X$ . Let  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  be fuzzy sets in a TM-algebra  $X$ . **Approach:** Define the upper level subset  $\mu_t$  of  $\mu$  and the cartesian product of  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  from  $X \times X$  to  $[0,1]$  by minimum of  $\mu(x)$  and  $\nu(y)$  for all elements  $(x, y)$  in  $X \times X$ . **Result:** We proved any subalgebra of a TM-algebra  $X$  can be realized as a level subalgebra of some fuzzy subalgebra of  $X$  and  $\mu_t$  is a T-ideal of  $X$ . Also we proved, the cartesian product of  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  is a fuzzy T-ideal of  $X \times X$ . **Conclusion:** In this article, we have fuzzified the subalgebra and ideal of TM-algebras into fuzzy subalgebra and fuzzy ideal of TM-algebras. It has been observed that the TM-algebra satisfy the various conditions stated in the BCC/ BCK algebras. These concepts can further be generalized.

**Key words:** TM-algebra, fuzzy subalgebra, fuzzy ideals, homomorphism, cartesian product, level subset, conditions stated

### INTRODUCTION

Isaki and Tanaka introduced two classes of abstract algebras BCI-algebras and BCK-algebras. It is known that the class of BCK-algebras is a proper subclass of the class of BCI- algebra. Hu and Li introduced a wide class of abstract algebra namely BCH- algebras. Zadeh (1965), introduced the notion of fuzzy sets in 1965. This concept has been applied to many mathematical branches. Xi applied this concept to BCK-algebra. Dudek and Jun (2001) fuzzified the ideals in BCC-algebras. Jun (2009) contributed a lot to develop the theory of fuzzy sets.

We (Megalai and Tamilarasi, 2010) introduced a new notion called TM-algebra, which is a generalization of Q/BCK / BCI /BCH-algebras and investigated some properties. In this study, we introduce the concepts of fuzzy subalgebras and fuzzy T-ideals in TM-algebra and investigate some of their properties.

### MATERIALS AND METHODS

Certain fundamental definitions that will be used in the sequel are described.

#### Preliminaries:

**Definition 1:** A BCK-algebra is an algebra  $(X, *, 0)$  of type  $(2, 0)$  satisfying the following conditions:

- $(x*y)*(x*z) \leq z*y$
- $x*(x*y) \leq y$
- $x \leq x$ ,
- $x \leq y$  and  $y \leq x$  imply  $x = y$ ,
- $0 \leq x$  implies  $x = 0$ , where  $x \leq y$  is defined by
- $x*y = 0$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

**Definition 2:** Let  $I$  be a non- empty subset of a BCK-algebra  $X$ . Then  $I$  is called a BCK-ideal of  $X$  if:

- $0 \in I$ ,
- $x*y \in I$  and  $y \in I$  imply  $x \in I$ , for all  $x, y \in X$

**Definition 3:** A TM-algebra  $(X, *, 0)$  is a non-empty set  $X$  with a constant "0" and a binary operation "\*" satisfying the following axioms:

- $x*0 = x$
- $(x*y)*(x*z) = z*y$ , for any  $x, y, z \in X$

In  $X$  we can define a binary relation  $\leq$  by  $x \leq y$  if and only if  $x*y = 0$ .

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**Definition 4:** Let  $S$  be a non-empty subset of a TM-algebra  $X$ . Then  $S$  is called a subalgebra of  $X$  if  $x * y \in S$ , for all  $x, y \in X$ .

**Definition 5:** Let  $(X, *, 0)$  be a TM-algebra. A non-empty subset  $I$  of  $X$  is called an ideal of  $X$  if it satisfies

- $0 \in I$
- $x * y \in I$  and  $y \in I$  imply  $x \in I$ , for all  $x, y \in X$ .

**Definition 6:** An ideal  $A$  of a TM-algebra  $X$  is said to be closed if  $0 * x \in A$  for all  $x \in A$ .

**Definition 7:** Let  $(X, *, 0)$  be a TM-algebra. A non-empty subset  $I$  of  $X$  is called a T-ideal of  $X$  if it satisfies

- $0 \in I$
- $(x * y) * z \in I$  and  $y \in I$  imply  $x * z \in I$ , for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

**Fuzzy subalgebras:**

**Definition 8:** Let  $X$  be a non-empty set. A mapping  $\mu : x \rightarrow [0,1]$  is called a fuzzy set in  $X$ . The complement of  $\mu$ , denoted by  $\bar{\mu}(x) = 1 - \mu(x)$ , for all  $x \in X$ .

**Definition 9:** A fuzzy set  $\mu$  in a TM-algebra  $X$  is called a fuzzy subalgebra of  $X$  if

$$\mu(x * y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}, \text{ for all } x, y \in X.$$

**Definition 10:** Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy set of a set  $X$ . For a fixed  $t \in [0,1]$ , the set  $\mu_t = \{x \in X / \mu(x) \geq t\}$  is called an upper level of  $\mu$ .

**Fuzzy T-ideals in TM-algebras:**

**Definition 11:** A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  in a TM-algebra  $X$  is called a fuzzy ideal of  $X$ , if:

- (i)  $\mu(0) \geq \mu(x)$
- (ii)  $\mu(x) \geq \min\{\mu(x * y), \mu(y)\}$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$

**Definition 12:** A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  in a TM-algebra  $X$  is called a fuzzy T-ideal of  $X$ , if:

- $\mu(0) \geq \mu(x)$
- $\mu(x * z) \geq \min\{\mu((x * y) * z), \mu(y)\}$ , for all  $x, y, z \in X$

**RESULTS**

**Lemma 13:** If  $\mu$  is a fuzzy subalgebra of a TM-algebra  $X$ , then  $\mu(0) \geq \mu(x)$  for any  $x \in X$ .

Proof: Since  $x * x = 0$  for any  $x \in X$ , then:

$$\mu(0) = \mu(x * x) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(x)\} = \mu(x).$$

This completes the proof.

**Theorem 14:** A fuzzy set  $\mu$  of a TM-algebra  $X$  is a fuzzy subalgebra if and only if for every  $t \in [0,1]$ ,  $\mu_t$  is either empty or a subalgebra of  $X$ .

**Proof:** Assume that  $\mu$  is a fuzzy subalgebra of  $X$  and  $\mu_t \neq \emptyset$ . Then for any  $x, y \in \mu_t$ , we have:

$$\mu(x * y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\} \geq t.$$

Therefore  $x * y \in \mu_t$ .

Hence  $\mu_t$  is a subalgebra of  $X$ .

Conversely,  $\mu_t$  is a subalgebra of  $X$ .

Let  $x, y \in X$ . Take  $t = \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$ .

Then by assumption  $\mu_t$  is a subalgebra of  $X$  implies:

$$x * y \in \mu_t$$

$$\text{Therefore } \mu(x * y) \geq t = \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}.$$

Hence  $\mu$  is a subalgebra of  $X$ .

**Theorem 15:** Any subalgebra of a TM-algebra  $X$  can be realized as a level subalgebra of some fuzzy subalgebra of  $X$ .

**Proof:** Let  $\mu$  be a subalgebra of a given TM-algebra  $X$  and let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy set in  $X$  defined by:

$$\mu(x) = \begin{cases} t, & \text{if } x \in A \\ 0, & \text{if } x \notin A \end{cases}$$

where,  $t \in (0,1)$  is fixed. It is clear that  $\mu_t = A$ .

Now we will prove that such defined  $\mu$  is a fuzzy subalgebra of  $X$ .

Let  $x, y \in X$ . If  $x, y \in A$  then also  $x * y \in A$ .

Hence  $\mu(x) = \mu(y) = \mu(x * y) = t$  and

$$\mu(x * y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}.$$

If  $x, y \notin A$  then  $\mu(x) = \mu(y) = 0$  and in the consequence  $\mu(x*y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\} = 0$ .

If at most one of  $x, y$  belongs to  $A$ , then at least one of  $\mu(x)$  and  $\mu(y)$  is equal to 0.

Therefore,  $\min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\} = 0$  so that:

$\mu(x*y) \geq 0$ , which completes the proof

**Theorem 16:** Two level subalgebras  $\mu_s, \mu_t (s < t)$  of a fuzzy subalgebra are equal if and only if there is no  $x \in X$  such that  $s \leq \mu(x) < t$ .

**Proof:** Let  $\mu_s = \mu_t$  for some  $s < t$ . If there exists  $x \in X$  such that  $s \leq \mu(x) < t$ , then  $\mu_t$  is a proper subset of  $\mu_s$ , which is a contradiction.

Conversely, assume that there is no  $x \in X$  such that  $s \leq \mu(x) < t$ . If  $x \in \mu_s$ , then  $\mu(x) \geq s$  and  $\mu(x) \geq t$ , since  $\mu(x)$  does not lie between  $s$  and  $t$ . Thus  $x \in \mu_t$ , which gives  $\mu_s \subseteq \mu_t$ . Also  $\mu_t \subseteq \mu_s$ . Therefore  $\mu_s = \mu_t$

**Theorem 17:** Every fuzzy T-ideal  $\mu$  of a TM-algebra  $X$  is order reversing, that is if  $x \leq y$  then:

$$\mu(x) \geq \mu(y) \text{ for all } x, y \in X.$$

**Proof:** Let  $x, y \in X$  such that  $x \leq y$ .

Therefore  $x*y = 0$ .

Now,  $\mu(x) = \mu(x*0)$

$$\geq \min\{\mu((x*y)*0), \mu(y)\}$$

$$= \min\{\mu(0*0), \mu(y)\}$$

$$= \min\{\mu(0), \mu(y)\}$$

$$= \mu(y).$$

**Theorem 18:** A fuzzy set  $\mu$  in a TM-algebra  $X$  is a fuzzy T-ideal if and only if it is a fuzzy ideal of  $X$ .

**Proof:** Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy T-ideal of  $X$

Then (i)  $\mu(0) \geq \mu(x)$  and

(ii)  $\mu(x*z) \geq \min\{\mu((x*y)*z), \mu(y)\}$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

By putting  $z = 0$  in (ii) we have

$$\mu(x) \geq \min\{\mu(x*y), \mu(y)\}.$$

Hence  $\mu$  is a fuzzy ideal of  $X$ .

Conversely,  $\mu$  is a fuzzy ideal of  $X$ .

Then:

$$\mu(x*z) \geq \min\{\mu((x*z)*y), \mu(y)\}$$

$$= \min\{\mu((x*y)*z), \mu(y)\}, \text{ which proves the result.}$$

**Theorem 19:** Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy set in a BCK-algebra  $X$ . Then  $\mu$  is a fuzzy T-ideal if and only if  $\mu$  is a fuzzy BCK-ideal.

**Proof:** Since every BCK-algebra is a TM-algebra, every fuzzy T-ideal is a fuzzy ideal of a TM-algebra and hence a fuzzy BCK-ideal.

Conversely, assume that  $\mu$  be a BCK-ideal of  $X$ .

Then:

$$\mu(x*z) \geq \min\{\mu((x*z)*y), \mu(y)\}$$

$$= \min\{\mu((x*y)*z), \mu(y)\}.$$

Hence  $\mu$  is a fuzzy T-ideal of  $X$ .

**Theorem 20:** Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy set in a TM-algebra  $X$  and let  $t \in \text{Im}(\mu)$ . Then  $\mu$  is a fuzzy T-ideal of  $X$  if and only if the level subset:

$$\mu_t = \{x \in X / \mu(x) \geq t\}$$

is a T-ideal of  $X$ , which is called a level T-ideal of  $\mu$ .

**Proof:** Assume that  $\mu$  is a fuzzy T-ideal of  $X$ .

Clearly  $0 \in \mu_t$

Let  $(x*y)*z \in \mu_t$  and  $y \in \mu_t$ .

Then  $\mu((x*y)*z) \geq t$  and  $\mu(y) \geq t$ .

Now  $\mu(x*z) \geq \min\{\mu((x*y)*z), \mu(y)\}$

$$\geq \{t, t\} = t$$

Hence  $\mu_t$  is T-ideal of  $X$ .

Conversely, let  $\mu_t$  is T-ideal of  $X$  for any  $t \in [0,1]$ .

Suppose assume that there exist some  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\mu(0) < \mu(x_0)$ :

$$\text{Take } s = \frac{1}{2}[\mu(0) + \mu(x_0)]$$

$$\Rightarrow s < \mu(x_0) \text{ and } 0 \leq \mu(0) < s < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x_0 \in \mu_s \text{ and } 0 \notin \mu_s \text{ a contradiction, since}$$

$\mu_s$  is a T-ideal of  $X$ .

Therefore,  $\mu(0) \geq \mu(x)$  for all  $x \in X$

If possible, assume that  $x_0, y_0, z_0 \in X$  such that  $\mu(x_0 * z_0) \geq \min \{ \mu((x_0 * y_0) * z_0), \mu(y_0) \}$ :

$$\text{Take } s = \frac{1}{2} [\mu(x_0 * z_0) + \min \{ \mu((x_0 * y_0) * z_0), \mu(y_0) \}]$$

$$\Rightarrow s > \mu(x_0 * z_0)$$

and:

$$s < \min \{ \mu((x_0 * y_0) * z_0), \mu(y_0) \}$$

$$\Rightarrow s > \mu(x_0 * z_0), s < \mu((x_0 * y_0) * z_0) \text{ and } s < \mu(y_0)$$

$\Rightarrow x_0 * z_0 \notin \mu_s$ , a contradiction, since  $\mu_s$  is a T-ideal of X.

Therefore,  $\mu(x * z) \geq \min \{ \mu((x * y) * z), \mu(y) \}$  for any  $x, y, z \in X$ .

### Cartesian product of fuzzy T-ideals of TM-algebras:

**Definition 21:** Let  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  be the fuzzy sets in a set X. The Cartesian product  $\mu \times \nu: X \times X \rightarrow [0,1]$  is defined by:

$$(\mu \times \nu)(x, y) = \min \{ \mu(x), \nu(y) \} \text{ for all } x, y \in X$$

**Theorem 22:** If  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  are fuzzy T-ideals in a TM-algebra X, then  $\mu \times \nu$  is a fuzzy T-ideal in  $X \times X$ .

**Proof:** For any  $(x, y) \in X \times X$ , we have:

$$(\mu \times \nu)(0, 0) = \min \{ \mu(0), \nu(0) \}$$

$$\geq \min \{ \mu(x), \nu(y) \} = (\mu \times \nu)(x, y).$$

Let  $(x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2)$  and  $(z_1, z_2) \in X \times X$ .

$$(\mu \times \nu)((x_1, x_2) * (z_1, z_2)) = (\mu \times \nu)(x_1 * z_1, x_2 * z_2)$$

$$= \min \{ \mu(x_1 * z_1), \nu(x_2 * z_2) \}$$

$$\geq \min \{ \min \{ \mu((x_1 * y_1) * z_1), \mu(y_1) \}, \min \{ \nu((x_2 * y_2) * z_2), \nu(y_2) \} \}$$

$$= \min \{ \min \{ \mu((x_1 * y_1) * z_1), \nu((x_2 * y_2) * z_2) \}, \min \{ \mu(y_1), \nu(y_2) \} \}$$

$$= \min \{ (\mu \times \nu)((x_1 * y_1) * z_1, (x_2 * y_2) * z_2), (\mu \times \nu)(y_1, y_2) \}$$

$$= \min \{ (\mu \times \nu)((x_1 * y_1, x_2 * y_2) * (z_1, z_2)), (\mu \times \nu)(y_1, y_2) \}$$

$$= \min \{ (\mu \times \nu)((x_1, x_2) * (y_1, y_2)) * (z_1, z_2), (\mu \times \nu)(y_1, y_2) \}$$

Hence  $\mu \times \nu$  is a fuzzy T-ideal of a TM-algebra in  $X \times X$ .

**Theorem 23:** Let  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  be fuzzy sets in a TM-algebra X such that  $\mu \times \nu$  is a fuzzy T-ideal of  $X \times X$ . Then:

- (i) Either  $\mu(0) \geq \mu(x)$  or  $\nu(0) \geq \nu(x)$  for all  $x \in X$
- (ii) If  $\mu(0) \geq \mu(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ , then either  $\nu(0) \geq \mu(x)$  or  $\nu(0) \geq \nu(x)$
- (iii) If  $\nu(0) \geq \nu(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ , then either  $\mu(0) \geq \mu(x)$  or  $\mu(0) \geq \nu(x)$
- (iv) Either  $\mu$  or  $\nu$  is a fuzzy T-ideal of X.

**Proof:**  $\mu \times \nu$  is a fuzzy T-ideal of  $X \times X$ .

Therefore  $(\mu \times \nu)(0, 0) \geq (\mu \times \nu)(x, y)$  for all  $(x, y) \in X \times X$  and  $(\mu \times \nu)((x_1, x_2) * (z_1, z_2)) \geq \min \{ (\mu \times \nu)((x_1, x_2) * (y_1, y_2)) * (z_1, z_2), (\mu \times \nu)(y_1, y_2) \}$  for all  $(x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2)$  and  $(z_1, z_2) \in X \times X$ .

Suppose that  $\mu(0) < \mu(x)$  and  $\nu(0) < \nu(y)$  for some  $x, y \in X$ .

Then:

$$(\mu \times \nu)(x, y) = \min \{ \mu(x), \nu(y) \} > \min \{ \mu(0), \nu(0) \} = (\mu \times \nu)(0, 0),$$

a contradiction.

Therefore either  $\mu(0) \geq \mu(x)$  or  $\nu(0) \geq \nu(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ .

Assume that there exist  $x, y \in X$  such that:

$$\nu(0) < \mu(x) \text{ and } \nu(0) < \nu(y).$$

Then:

$$(\mu \times \nu)(0, 0) = \min \{ \mu(0), \nu(0) \} = \nu(0) \text{ and hence } (\mu \times \nu)(x, y) = \min \{ \mu(x), \nu(y) \} > \nu(0) = (\mu \times \nu)(0, 0), \text{ a contradiction.}$$

Hence if  $\mu(0) \geq \mu(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ , then either:  $\nu(0) \geq \mu(x)$  or  $\nu(0) \geq \nu(x)$

Similarly we can prove that if  $\nu(0) \geq \nu(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ , then either  $\mu(0) \geq \mu(x)$  or  $\mu(0) \geq \nu(x)$ .

First we prove that  $\nu$  is a fuzzy T-ideal of X.

Since, by (i), either  $\mu(0) \geq \mu(x)$  or  $\nu(0) \geq \nu(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ .

Assume that  $\nu(0) \geq \nu(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ .

It follows from (iii) that either  $\mu(0) \geq \mu(x)$  or  $\mu(0) \geq \nu(x)$ .

If  $\mu(0) \geq \nu(x)$  for any  $x \in X$ , then:

$$\begin{aligned} v(x) &= \min\{\mu(0), v(x)\} = (\mu \times v)(0, x). \\ v(x^*z) &= \min\{\mu(0), v(x^*z)\} \\ &= (\mu \times v)(0, x^*z) \\ &= (\mu \times v)(0^*0, x^*z) \\ &= (\mu \times v)((0, x)^*(0, z)) \\ &\geq \min\{(\mu \times v)((0, x)^*(0, y))^*(0, z), \\ &(\mu \times v)(0, y)\} \\ &= \min\{(\mu \times v)((0^*0, x^*y)^*(0, z)), (\mu \times v)(0, y)\} \\ &= \min\{(\mu \times v)((0^*0)^*0, (x^*y)^*z), (\mu \times v)(0, y)\} \\ &= \min\{(\mu \times v)(0, (x^*y)^*z), (\mu \times v)(0, y)\} \\ &= \min\{v((x^*y)^*z), v(y)\} \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $v$  is a fuzzy T-ideal of  $X$ .

Now we will prove that  $\mu$  is a fuzzy T-ideal of  $X$ .

Let  $\mu(0) \geq \mu(x)$ .

By (ii) either  $v(0) \geq \mu(x)$  or  $v(0) \geq v(x)$ .

Assume that  $v(0) \geq \mu(x)$ , Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(x) &= \min\{\mu(x), v(0)\} = (\mu \times v)(x, 0). \\ \mu(x^*z) &= \min\{\mu(x^*z), v(0)\} \\ &= (\mu \times v)(x^*z, 0) \\ &= (\mu \times v)(x^*z, 0^*0) \\ &= (\mu \times v)((x, 0)^*(z, 0)) \\ &\geq \min\{(\mu \times v)((x, 0)^*(y, 0))^*(z, 0), (\mu \times v)(y, 0)\} \\ &= \min\{(\mu \times v)((x^*y, 0^*0)^*(z, 0)), (\mu \times v)(y, 0)\} \\ &= \min\{(\mu \times v)((x^*y)^*z, 0), (\mu \times v)(y, 0)\} \\ &= \min\{\mu((x^*y)^*z), \mu(y)\} \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\mu$  is a fuzzy T-ideal of  $X$ .

**Homomorphism of TM-algebras:**

**Definition 24:** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be TM-algebras. A mapping  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be a homomorphism if it satisfies:

$$f(x^*y) = f(x)^*f(y), \text{ for all } x, y \in X.$$

**Definition 25:** Let  $f: X \rightarrow X$  be an endomorphism and  $\mu$  a fuzzy set in  $X$ . We define a new fuzzy set in  $X$  by  $\mu_f$  in  $X$  by  $\mu_f(x) = \mu(f(x))$  for all  $x$  in  $X$ .

**Theorem 26:** Let  $f$  be an endomorphism of a TM-algebra  $X$ . If  $\mu$  is a fuzzy T-ideal of  $X$ , then so is  $\mu_f$ .

**Proof:**  $\mu_f(x) = \mu(f(x)) \leq \mu(0)$

$$= \mu(f(0)) = \mu_f(0) \text{ for all } x \in X$$

Let  $x, y, z \in X$ .

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_f(x^*z) &= \mu(f(x^*z)) = \mu(f(x)^*f(z)) \\ &\geq \min\{\mu((f(x)^*f(y))^*f(z)), \mu(f(y))\} \\ &= \min\{\mu((f(x^*y))^*f(z)), \mu(f(y))\} \\ &= \min\{\mu(f((x^*y)^*z)), \mu(f(y))\} \\ &= \min\{\mu_f((x^*y)^*z), \mu_f(y)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\mu_f$  is a fuzzy T-ideal of  $X$ .

**DISCUSSION**

With minimum conditions in TM-algebra it satisfy these results. In other algebras like BCK/BCI/BCH/BCC the number of conditions are more.

**CONCLUSION**

In this article, we have fuzzified the subalgebra and ideal of TM-algebras into fuzzy subalgebra and fuzzy ideal of TM-algebras. It has been observed that the TM-algebra satisfy the various conditions stated in the BCC/ BCK algebras and can be considered as the generalization of all these algebras. These concepts can further be generalized.

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