

## Level Subsets of Intuitionistic Fuzzy Subsemiring of a Semiring

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### Abstract

In this chapter, we introduce the concept of level subsets of intuitionistic fuzzy subsemirings of a semiring and establish some results on these. We also made an attempt to study the properties of level subsets of intuitionistic fuzzy subsemirings of semiring under homomorphism and anti-homomorphism.

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### INTRODUCTION

There are many concepts of universal algebras generalizing an associative ring  $(R, +, \cdot)$ . Some of them in particular, nearrings and several kinds of semirings have been proven very useful. An algebra  $(R, +, \cdot)$  is said to be a semiring if  $(R; +)$  and  $(R; \cdot)$  are semigroups satisfying  $a \cdot (b+c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c$  and  $(b+c) \cdot a = b \cdot a + c \cdot a$  for all  $a, b$  and  $c$  in  $R$ . A semiring  $R$  is said to be additively commutative if  $a+b = b+a$  for all  $a, b$  in  $R$ . A semiring  $R$  may have an identity  $1$ , defined by  $a \cdot 1 = a = 1 \cdot a$  and a zero  $0$ , defined by  $0+a = a = a+0$  and  $a \cdot 0 = 0 = 0 \cdot a$  for all  $a$  in  $R$ . After the introduction of fuzzy sets by L.A. Zadeh [22], several researchers explored on the generalization of the concept of fuzzy sets. The concept of intuitionistic fuzzy subset was introduced by K.T. Atanassov [3,4], as a generalization of the notion of fuzzy set. The notion of fuzzy subnearrings and ideals was introduced by S. Abou Zaid [20]. In this paper, we introduce the some theorems in level subsets of intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of a semiring under homomorphism and anti-homomorphism.

### 1. PRELIMINARIES:

**1.1 Definition:** Let  $X$  be a non empty set. A fuzzy subset  $A$  of  $X$  is a function  $A: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ .

**1.2 Definition:** Let  $R$  be a semiring. A fuzzy subset  $A$  of  $R$  is said to be a fuzzy subsemiring (FSSR) of  $R$  if it satisfies the following conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_A(x + y) &\geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}, \\ \mu_A(xy) &\geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}, \text{ for all } x \text{ and } y \text{ in } R. \end{aligned}$$

**1.3 Definition [3]:** An intuitionistic fuzzy subset (IFS)  $A$  in  $X$  is defined as an object of the form  $A = \{\langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle / x \in X\}$ , where  $\mu_A: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  and  $\nu_A: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  define the degree of membership and the degree of non-membership of the element  $x \in X$  respectively and for every  $x \in X$  satisfying  $0 \leq \mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) \leq 1$ .

**1.1 Example :** Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  be a set. Then  $A = \{\langle a, 0.52, 0.34 \rangle, \langle b, 0.14, 0.71 \rangle, \langle c, 0.25, 0.34 \rangle\}$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy subset of  $X$ .

**1.4 Definition:** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be any two intuitionistic fuzzy subsets of a set  $X$ . We define the following operations:

- (i)  $A \cap B = \{\langle x, \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x)\}, \max\{\nu_A(x), \nu_B(x)\}\rangle\}$ , for all  $x \in X$ .
- (ii)  $A \cup B = \{\langle x, \max\{\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x)\}, \min\{\nu_A(x), \nu_B(x)\}\rangle\}$ , for all  $x \in X$ .

**1.5 Definition:** Let  $R$  be a semiring. An intuitionistic fuzzy subset  $A$  of  $R$  is said to be an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring (IFSSR) of  $R$  if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (i)  $\mu_A(x + y) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$ ,
- (ii)  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$ ,
- (iii)  $\nu_A(x + y) \leq \max\{\nu_A(x), \nu_A(y)\}$ ,
- (iv)  $\nu_A(xy) \leq \max\{\nu_A(x), \nu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ .

**1.6 Definition:** An intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring  $A$  of a semiring  $R$  is called a intuitionistic fuzzy characteristic subsemiring of  $R$  if  $\mu_A(x) = \mu_A(f(x))$  and  $\nu_A(x) = \nu_A(f(x))$ , for all  $x$  in  $R$  and  $f$  in  $\text{Aut}(R)$ .

**1.7 Definition:** Let  $(R, +, \cdot)$  and  $(R^1, +, \cdot)$  be any two semirings. Let  $f: R \rightarrow R^1$  be any function and  $A$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring in  $R$ ,  $V$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring in  $f(R) = R^1$ , defined by  $\mu_V(y) = \sup_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} \mu_A(x)$  and  $\nu_V(y) = \inf_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} \nu_A(x)$ , for all  $x$  in  $R$  and  $y$  in  $R^1$ . Then  $A$  is called a preimage of  $V$  under  $f$  and is denoted by  $f^{-1}(V)$ .

**1.8 Definition:** Let  $(R, +, \cdot)$  and  $(R^1, +, \cdot)$  be any two semirings. Then  $f: R \rightarrow R^1$  is called a homomorphism if  $f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y)$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$  and  $f(xy) = f(x)f(y)$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ .

**1.9 Definition:** Let  $(R, +, \cdot)$  and  $(R^1, +, \cdot)$  be any two semirings. Then  $f: R \rightarrow R^1$  is called an anti-homomorphism if  $f(x+y) = f(y) + f(x)$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$  and  $f(xy) = f(y)f(x)$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ .

**1.10 Definition:** Let  $A$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy subset of  $X$ . For  $\alpha, \beta$  in  $[0, 1]$ , the level subset of  $A$  is the set  $A_{(\alpha, \beta)} = \{ x \in X : \mu_A(x) \geq \alpha, \nu_A(x) \leq \beta \}$ .

**2. Properties of level subsets of intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring:**

**2.1 Theorem [18]:** Let  $A$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of a semiring  $(R, +, \cdot)$ . Then for  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in  $[0,1]$ ,  $A_{(\alpha, \beta)}$  is a subsemiring of  $R$ .

**2.2 Theorem:** Let  $A$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of a semiring  $(R, +, \cdot)$ . Then two level subsemirings  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)}$ ,  $A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)}$  and  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$  in  $[0,1]$  and  $\beta_1, \beta_2$  in  $[0,1]$  with  $\alpha_2 < \alpha_1$  and  $\beta_1 < \beta_2$  of  $A$  are equal if and only if there is no  $x$  in  $R$  such that  $\alpha_1 > \mu_A(x) > \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 < \nu_A(x) < \beta_2$ .

**Proof:** Assume that  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)} = A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)}$ . Suppose there exists  $x \in R$  such that  $\alpha_1 > \mu_A(x) > \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 < \nu_A(x) < \beta_2$ . Then  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)} \subseteq A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)}$  which implies that  $x$  belongs to  $A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)}$ , but not in  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)}$ . This is contradiction to  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)} = A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)}$ . Therefore there is no  $x \in R$  such that  $\alpha_1 > \mu_A(x) > \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 < \nu_A(x) < \beta_2$ . Conversely, if there is no  $x \in R$  such that  $\alpha_1 > \mu_A(x) > \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 < \nu_A(x) < \beta_2$ . Then  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)} = A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)}$ .

**2.3 Theorem:** Let  $(R, +, \cdot)$  be a semiring and  $A$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy subset of  $R$  such that  $A_{(\alpha, \beta)}$  be a subsemiring of  $R$ . If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in  $[0,1]$ , then  $A$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of  $R$ .

**Proof:** For  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ . Let  $\mu_A(x) = \alpha_1$  and  $\mu_A(y) = \alpha_2$ ,  $\nu_A(x) = \beta_1$  and  $\nu_A(y) = \beta_2$ .

**Case (i):** If  $\alpha_1 < \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 > \beta_2$ , then  $x$  and  $y$  in  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)}$ . As  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)}$  is a subsemiring of  $R$ ,  $x + y, xy$  in  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)}$ . Now,  $\mu_A(x+y) \geq \alpha_1 = \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$  which implies that  $\mu_A(x+y) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ . Now,  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \alpha_1 = \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$  which implies that  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ . And,  $\nu_A(x+y) \leq \beta_1 = \max\{\nu_A(x), \nu_A(y)\}$  which implies that  $\nu_A(x+y) \leq \max\{\nu_A(x), \nu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ . And,  $\nu_A(xy) \leq \beta_1 = \max\{\nu_A(x), \nu_A(y)\}$  which implies that  $\nu_A(xy) \leq \max\{\nu_A(x), \nu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ .

**Case (ii):** If  $\alpha_1 < \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 < \beta_2$ , then  $x$  and  $y$  in  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_2)}$ . As  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_2)}$  is a subsemiring of  $R$ ,  $x + y, xy$  in  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_2)}$ . Now,  $\mu_A(x+y) \geq \alpha_1 = \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$  which implies that  $\mu_A(x+y) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ . Now,  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \alpha_1 = \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$  which implies that  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ . And,  $\nu_A(x+y) \leq \beta_2 = \max\{\nu_A(x), \nu_A(y)\}$  which implies that  $\nu_A(x+y) \leq \max\{\nu_A(x), \nu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ . And,  $\nu_A(xy) \leq \beta_2 = \max\{\nu_A(x), \nu_A(y)\}$  which implies that  $\nu_A(xy) \leq \max\{\nu_A(x), \nu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ .

$\leq \max\{v_A(x), v_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ .

**Case (iii):** If  $\alpha_1 > \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 > \beta_2$ , then  $x$  and  $y$  in  $A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_1)}$ . As  $A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_1)}$  is a subsemiring of  $R$ ,  $x + y, xy$  in  $A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_1)}$ . Now,  $\mu_A(x+y) \geq \alpha_2 = \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$  which implies that  $\mu_A(x+y) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ . Now,  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \alpha_2 = \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$  which implies that  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ . And,  $v_A(x+y) \leq \beta_1 = \max\{v_A(x), v_A(y)\}$  which implies that  $v_A(x+y) \leq \max\{v_A(x), v_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ . And,  $v_A(xy) \leq \beta_1 = \max\{v_A(x), v_A(y)\}$  which implies that  $v_A(xy) \leq \max\{v_A(x), v_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ .

**Case (iv):** If  $\alpha_1 > \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 < \beta_2$ , then  $x$  and  $y$  in  $A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)}$ . As  $A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)}$  is a subsemiring of  $R$ ,  $x + y$  and  $xy$  in  $A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)}$ . Now,  $\mu_A(x+y) \geq \alpha_2 = \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$  which implies that  $\mu_A(x+y) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ . Now,  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \alpha_2 = \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$  which implies that  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ . And,  $v_A(x+y) \leq \beta_2 = \max\{v_A(x), v_A(y)\}$  which implies that  $v_A(x+y) \leq \max\{v_A(x), v_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ . And,  $v_A(xy) \leq \beta_2 = \max\{v_A(x), v_A(y)\}$  which implies that  $v_A(xy) \leq \max\{v_A(x), v_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ .

**Case (v):** If  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 = \beta_2$ . It is trivial.

In all the cases,  $A$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of a semiring  $R$ .

**2.4 Theorem:** Let  $A$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of a semiring  $R$ . If any two level subsemiring of  $A$  belongs to  $R$ , then their intersection is also level subsemiring of  $A$  in  $R$ .

**Proof:** For  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$  in  $[0, 1]$ ,  $\beta_1$  and  $\beta_2$  in  $[0, 1]$ .

**Case (i):** If  $\alpha_1 < \mu_A(x) < \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 > v_A(x) > \beta_2$ , then  $A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)} \subseteq A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)}$ .

Therefore,  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)} \cap A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)} = A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)}$ , but  $A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)}$  is a level subsemiring of  $A$ .

**Case(ii):** If  $\alpha_1 > \mu_A(x) > \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 < v_A(x) < \beta_2$ , then  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)} \subseteq A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)}$ .

Therefore,  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)} \cap A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)} = A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)}$ , but  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)}$  is a level subsemiring of  $A$ .

**Case (iii):** If  $\alpha_1 < \mu_A(x) < \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 < v_A(x) < \beta_2$ , then  $A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_1)} \subseteq A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_2)}$ .

Therefore,  $A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_1)} \cap A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_2)} = A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_1)}$ , but  $A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_1)}$  is a level subsemiring of  $A$ .

**Case (iv):** If  $\alpha_1 > \mu_A(x) > \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 > v_A(x) > \beta_2$ , then  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_2)} \subseteq A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_1)}$ .

Therefore,  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_2)} \cap A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_1)} = A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_2)}$ , but  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_2)}$  is a level subsemiring of  $A$ .

**Case (v):** If  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 = \beta_2$ , then  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)} = A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)}$ .

In all cases, Intersection of any two level subsemiring is a level subsemiring of  $A$ .

**2.5 Theorem:** Let  $A$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of a semiring  $(R, +, \cdot)$ . If

$\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_j$  in  $[0,1]$  and  $A_{(\alpha_i, \beta_j)}$ ,  $i$  and  $j$  in  $I$ , is a collection of level subsemirings of  $A$ , then their intersection is also a level subsemiring of  $A$ .

**Proof:** It is trivial.

**2.6 Theorem:** Let  $A$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of a semiring  $R$ . If any two level subsemirings of  $A$  belongs to  $R$ , then their union is also a level subsemiring of  $A$  in  $R$ .

**Proof:** Let  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \beta_1$  and  $\beta_2$  in  $[0,1]$ .

**Case (i):** If  $\alpha_1 < \mu_A(x) < \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 > \nu_A(x) > \beta_2$ , then  $A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)} \subseteq A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)}$ .

Therefore,  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)} \cup A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)} = A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)}$ , but  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)}$  is a level subsemiring of  $A$ .

**Case (ii):** If  $\alpha_1 > \mu_A(x) > \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 < \nu_A(x) < \beta_2$ , then  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)} \subseteq A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)}$ .

Therefore,  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)} \cup A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)} = A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)}$ , but  $A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)}$  is a level subsemiring of  $A$ .

**Case (iii):** If  $\alpha_1 < \mu_A(x) < \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 < \nu_A(x) < \beta_2$ , then  $A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_1)} \subseteq A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_2)}$ .

Therefore,  $A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_1)} \cup A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_2)} = A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_2)}$ , but  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_2)}$  is a level subsemiring of  $A$ .

**Case (iv):** If  $\alpha_1 > \mu_A(x) > \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 > \nu_A(x) > \beta_2$ , then  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_2)} \subseteq A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_1)}$ .

Therefore,  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_2)} \cup A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_1)} = A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_1)}$ , but  $A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_1)}$  is a level subsemiring of  $A$ .

**Case (v):** If  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 = \beta_2$ , then  $A_{(\alpha_1, \beta_1)} = A_{(\alpha_2, \beta_2)}$ .

In all cases, union of any two level subsemiring is also a level subsemiring of  $A$ .

**2.7 Theorem:** Let  $A$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of a semiring  $(R, +, \cdot)$ . If  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_j$  in  $[0,1]$  and  $A_{(\alpha_i, \beta_j)}$ ,  $i$  and  $j$  in  $I$ , is a collection of level subsemirings of  $A$ , then their union is also a level subsemiring of  $A$ .

**Proof:** It is trivial.

**2.8 Theorem:** Let  $A$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of a semiring  $(R, +, \cdot)$ . If  $A$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy characteristic subsemiring of  $R$ , then each level subsemiring of  $A$  is a characteristic subsemiring of  $R$ .

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy characteristic subsemiring of a semiring  $(R, +, \cdot)$ . Let  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ ,  $\alpha$  in  $\text{Im } \mu_A$ ,  $\beta$  in  $\text{Im } \nu_A$ ;  $f$  in  $\text{Aut}(R)$  and  $x$  in  $A_{(\alpha, \beta)}$ . Clearly  $\mu_A(f(x)) \geq \alpha$  and  $\nu_A(f(x)) \leq \beta$ . Therefore,  $f(x) \in A_{(\alpha, \beta)}$ . Hence,  $f(A_{(\alpha, \beta)}) \subseteq A_{(\alpha, \beta)}$  -----(1). For the reverse inclusion, let  $x$  in  $f(A_{(\alpha, \beta)})$  and  $y$  in  $R$  such that  $f(y)=x$ . Then,  $\mu_A(y)=\mu_A(f(y))=\mu_A(x)\geq\alpha$ . And,  $\nu_A(y)=\nu_A(f(y))=\nu_A(x)\leq\beta$ . Therefore,  $\mu_A(y) \geq \alpha$  and  $\nu_A(y) \leq \beta$ . Hence,  $y \in A_{(\alpha, \beta)}$ , when  $x \in f(A_{(\alpha, \beta)})$ . Hence,  $f(A_{(\alpha, \beta)}) \subseteq A_{(\alpha, \beta)}$  ----- (2). From (1) and (2), we get  $A_{(\alpha, \beta)}$  is a characteristic subsemiring of a semiring  $R$ .

**2.9 Theorem:** Any subsemiring  $H$  of a semiring  $(R, +, \cdot)$  can be realized as a level subsemiring of some intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of  $R$ .

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be the intuitionistic fuzzy subset of a semiring  $(R, +, \cdot)$  defined by

$$\mu_A(x) = \begin{cases} \alpha & \text{if } x \in H, 0 < \alpha < 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin H \quad \text{and} \end{cases}$$

$$\nu_A(x) = \begin{cases} \beta & \text{if } x \in H, 0 < \beta < 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin H \end{cases}$$

and  $\alpha + \beta \leq 1$ , where  $H$  is a subsemiring of  $R$ . Let  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ . If  $x$  and  $y$  in  $H$ , then  $x+y, xy$  in  $H$ , since  $H$  is a subsemiring of  $R$ . So,  $\mu_A(x+y) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ ,  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ . So,  $\nu_A(x+y) \leq \max\{\nu_A(x), \nu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ .  $\nu_A(xy) \leq \max\{\nu_A(x), \nu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ . If  $x$  in  $H$ ,  $y$  not in  $H$ , then  $x+y, xy$  not in  $H$ . Therefore,  $\mu_A(x+y) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ ,  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ . Therefore,  $\nu_A(x+y) \leq \max\{\nu_A(x), \nu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ ,  $\nu_A(xy) \leq \max\{\nu_A(x), \nu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ . If  $x$  and  $y$  not in  $H$ , then  $x+y, xy$  not belong to  $H$ . Clearly  $\mu_A(x+y) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ ,  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ . Also,  $\nu_A(x+y) \leq \max\{\nu_A(x), \nu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ ,  $\nu_A(xy) \leq \max\{\nu_A(x), \nu_A(y)\}$ , for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$ . Hence  $A$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of  $R$ .

**2.10 Theorem:** Let  $f$  be any mapping from a semiring  $R_1$  to  $R_2$  and let  $A$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of  $R_1$ . Then for  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in  $[0,1]$ , we have

$$f(A_{(\alpha, \beta)}) = \bigcap_{\substack{\alpha > \varepsilon_1 > 0, \\ \beta > \varepsilon_2 > 0}} f(A_{(\alpha - \varepsilon_1, \beta + \varepsilon_2)}).$$

**Proof:** Suppose that  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in  $[0,1]$  and  $y = f(x)$  in  $R_2$ . If  $y$  in  $f(A_{(\alpha, \beta)})$ , then  $f(\mu_A)(y) = \sup_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} \{\mu_A(x)\} \geq \alpha$  and  $f(\nu_A)(y) = \inf_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} \{\nu_A(x)\} \leq \beta$ . Therefore, for

every real number  $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 > 0$ , there exist  $x_0 \in f^{-1}(y)$  such that  $\mu_A(x_0) > \alpha - \varepsilon_1$  and  $\nu_A(x_0) < \beta + \varepsilon_2$ . So, for every  $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 > 0$ ,  $y = f(x_0) \in f(A_{(\alpha - \varepsilon_1, \beta + \varepsilon_2)})$  and hence

$$y \in \bigcap_{\substack{\alpha > \varepsilon_1 > 0, \\ \beta > \varepsilon_2 > 0}} f(A_{(\alpha - \varepsilon_1, \beta + \varepsilon_2)}).$$

$$\text{Therefore, } f(A_{(\alpha, \beta)}) \subseteq \bigcap_{\substack{\alpha > \varepsilon_1 > 0, \\ \beta > \varepsilon_2 > 0}} f(A_{(\alpha - \varepsilon_1, \beta + \varepsilon_2)}). \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

Conversely,  $y \in \bigcap_{\substack{\alpha > \varepsilon_1 > 0, \\ \beta > \varepsilon_2 > 0}} f(A_{(\alpha - \varepsilon_1, \beta + \varepsilon_2)})$ , then for each  $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 > 0$ , we have

$y \in f(A_{(\alpha - \varepsilon_1, \beta + \varepsilon_2)})$  and there exist  $x_0 \in A_{(\alpha - \varepsilon_1, \beta + \varepsilon_2)}$  such that  $y = f(x_0)$ . Therefore for each  $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 > 0$ , there exist  $x_0 \in f^{-1}(y)$  and  $\mu_A(x_0) \geq \alpha - \varepsilon_1$  and  $\nu_A(x_0) \leq \beta + \varepsilon_2$ .

Hence,  $f(\mu_A)(y) = \text{Sup}_{x_i \in f^{-1}(y)} \{ \mu_A(x_i) \} \geq \text{Sup}_{\alpha > \varepsilon_1 > 0} \{ \alpha - \varepsilon_1 \} = \alpha$  and

$f(\nu_A)(y) = \text{Inf}_{x_i \in f^{-1}(y)} \{ \nu_A(x_i) \} \leq \text{Inf}_{\beta > \varepsilon_2 > 0} \{ \beta + \varepsilon_2 \} = \beta$ . So,  $y \in f(A_{(\alpha, \beta)})$ .

Therefore,  $\bigcap_{\substack{\alpha > \varepsilon_1 > 0, \\ \beta > \varepsilon_2 > 0}} f(A_{(\alpha - \varepsilon_1, \beta + \varepsilon_2)}) \subseteq f(A_{(\alpha, \beta)}) \dots\dots\dots (2).$

From (1) and (2) we get,  $f(A_{(\alpha, \beta)}) = \bigcap_{\substack{\alpha > \varepsilon_1 > 0, \\ \beta > \varepsilon_2 > 0}} f(A_{(\alpha - \varepsilon_1, \beta + \varepsilon_2)})$ .

**2.11 Theorem:** Let A be an intuitionistic fuzzy subset of a set X. Then  $\mu_A(x) = \max \{ \alpha / x \in A_{(\alpha, \beta)} \}$  and  $\nu_A(x) = \min \{ \beta / x \in A_{(\alpha, \beta)} \}$ , where  $x \in X$ .

**Proof:** It is trivial.

**2.12 Theorem:** Any two different intuitionistic fuzzy subsemirings of a semiring may have identical family of level subsemirings.

**Proof:** We consider the following example:

Consider the semiring  $R = Z_5 = \{ 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 \}$  with addition modulo 5 and multiplication modulo 5 operations. Define intuitionistic fuzzy subsets A and B of R by  $A = \{ \langle 0, 0.7, 0.1 \rangle, \langle 1, 0.5, 0.4 \rangle, \langle 2, 0.5, 0.4 \rangle, \langle 3, 0.5, 0.4 \rangle, \langle 4, 0.5, 0.4 \rangle \}$  and  $B = \{ \langle 0, 0.8, 0.2 \rangle, \langle 1, 0.6, 0.3 \rangle, \langle 2, 0.6, 0.3 \rangle, \langle 3, 0.6, 0.3 \rangle, \langle 4, 0.6, 0.3 \rangle \}$ . Clearly A and B are two different intuitionistic fuzzy subsemirings of R. And,  $\text{Im } \mu_A = \{0.7, 0.5\}$ ,  $\text{Im } \nu_A = \{0.1, 0.4\}$ . The level subsemirings of A are  $A_{(0.7, 0.1)} = A_{(0.7, 0.4)} = A_{(0.5, 0.1)} = \{0\}$ ,  $A_{(0.5, 0.4)} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\} = R$ . And,  $\text{Im } \mu_B = \{0.8, 0.6\}$ ,  $\text{Im } \nu_B = \{0.2, 0.3\}$ . The level subsemirings of B are  $B_{(0.8, 0.2)} = B_{(0.8, 0.3)} = B_{(0.6, 0.2)} = \{0\}$ ,  $B_{(0.6, 0.3)} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\} = R$ . Thus the two intuitionistic fuzzy subsemirings A and B have the same family of level subsemirings.

**2.13 Theorem:** Let A and B be intuitionistic fuzzy subsets of the sets G and H respectively and  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in  $[0, 1]$ . Then  $(A \times B)_{(\alpha, \beta)} = A_{(\alpha, \beta)} \times B_{(\alpha, \beta)}$ .

**Proof:** It is trivial.

**2.14 Theorem:** Let  $(R, +, \cdot)$  be a finite semiring and  $A$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of  $R$ . If  $\alpha, \gamma$  are elements of the image set of  $\mu_A$  of  $A$  and  $\beta, \delta$  are elements of the image set of  $\nu_A$  of  $A$  such that  $A_{(\alpha, \beta)} = A_{(\gamma, \delta)}$ , then need not be  $\alpha = \gamma$  and  $\beta = \delta$ .

**Proof:** We consider the following example: Consider the semiring  $R = Z_5 = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$  with addition modulo 5 and multiplication modulo 5 operations. Define intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring  $A$  by  $A = \{\langle 0, 0.7, 0.1 \rangle, \langle 1, 0.5, 0.4 \rangle, \langle 2, 0.5, 0.4 \rangle, \langle 3, 0.5, 0.4 \rangle, \langle 4, 0.5, 0.4 \rangle\}$ . If  $\alpha = 0.7, \gamma = 0.5$ , are in  $\mu_A$  of  $A$  and  $\beta = 0.1, \delta = 0.1$  are in  $\nu_A$  of  $A$ , then  $A_{(0.7, 0.1)} = \{0\}, A_{(0.5, 0.1)} = \{0\}$  are the level subsemirings of  $R$ . Clearly  $\alpha \neq \gamma$ .

**2.15 Theorem:** Let  $A$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of a semiring  $(R, +, \cdot)$ . Then for  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in  $[0, 1]$ ,  $\mu$ -level  $\alpha$ -cut  $U(\mu_A, \alpha)$  is a subsemiring of  $R$ .

**Proof:** For all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $A_{(\alpha, \beta)}$ . Now,  $\mu_A(x+y) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\} \geq \alpha$  which implies that  $\mu_A(x+y) \geq \alpha$ . Now,  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_A(y)\} \geq \alpha$  which implies that  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \alpha$ . Therefore,  $\mu_A(x+y) \geq \alpha$  and  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \alpha$ , we get  $x+y$  and  $xy$  in  $U(\mu_A, \alpha)$ . Hence  $U(\mu_A, \alpha)$  is a subsemiring of  $R$ .

**2.16 Theorem:** Let  $A$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of a semiring  $(R, +, \cdot)$ . Then for  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in  $[0, 1]$ ,  $\nu$ -level  $\beta$ -cut  $L(\nu_A, \beta)$  is a subsemiring of  $R$ .

**Proof:** For all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $A_{(\alpha, \beta)}$ . Now,  $\nu_A(x+y) \leq \max\{\nu_A(x), \nu_A(y)\} \leq \beta$  which implies that  $\nu_A(x+y) \leq \beta$ . And also,  $\nu_A(xy) \leq \max\{\nu_A(x), \nu_A(y)\} \leq \beta$  which implies that  $\nu_A(xy) \leq \beta$ . We get  $x+y$  and  $xy$  in  $L(\nu_A, \beta)$ . Hence  $L(\nu_A, \beta)$  is a subsemiring of  $R$ .

**2.17 Theorem [18]:** Let  $(R, +, \cdot)$  and  $(R^1, +, \cdot)$  be any two semirings. If  $f: R \rightarrow R^1$  is a homomorphism, then the homomorphic image of a level subsemiring of an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of  $R$  is a level subsemiring of an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of  $R^1$ .

**2.18 Theorem [18]:** Let  $(R, +, \cdot)$  and  $(R^1, +, \cdot)$  be any two semirings. If  $f: R \rightarrow R^1$  is a homomorphism, then the homomorphic pre-image of a level subsemiring of an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of  $R^1$  is a level subsemiring of an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of  $R$ .

**2.19 Theorem [18]:** Let  $(R, +, \cdot)$  and  $(R^1, +, \cdot)$  be any two semirings. If  $f: R \rightarrow R^1$  is an anti-homomorphism, then the anti-homomorphic image of a level subsemiring of an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of  $R$  is a level subsemiring of an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of  $R^1$ .



**2.20 Theorem [18]:** Let  $(R, +, \cdot)$  and  $(R^1, +, \cdot)$  be any two semirings. If  $f: R \rightarrow R^1$  is an anti-homomorphism, then the anti-homomorphic pre-image of a level subsemiring of an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of  $R^1$  is a level subsemiring of an intuitionistic fuzzy subsemiring of  $R$ .

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