

# t-Intuitionistic Fuzzy Subgroups and Subrings

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### Abstract

In this paper, we introduce the concepts of t-intuitionistic fuzzy subgroups and t-intuitionistic fuzzy subrings. And we study some properties of t-subgroups and t-subrings.

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## 1. Introduction

In 1965, Zadeh[17] introduced the concept of fuzzy sets. After that time, several researchers[1,7,13,14,16] have applied the notion of fuzzy sets to group theory. Moreover, Anthony and Sherwood[1] introduced the concepts of t-fuzzy subgroups by using the t-norm introduced by Schweizer and Sklar[15].

In 1986, Atanassov[2] introduced the concept of intuitionistic fuzzy sets. Recently, Çoker and his colleagues[5,6,8], Lee and Lee[12] introduced the concept of intuitionistic fuzzy topological spaces using intuitionistic fuzzy sets. In 1989, Biswas[4] introduced the concept of intuitionistic fuzzy subgroups and investigated some of its properties. In 2003, Baldev Banerjee and Dhiren Kr.Basnet[3] studied intuitionistic fuzzy subrings and ideals using intuitionistic fuzzy sets. Also Hur and his colleagues[9,10,11] applied the notion of intuitionistic fuzzy sets to group theory.

In this paper, we introduce the concepts of t-intuitionistic fuzzy subgroups and t-intuitionistic fuzzy subrings by using the t-norm. And we investigate some properties of t-subgroups and t-subrings.

## 2. Preliminaries

We will list some concepts and results needed in the later sections.

For sets  $X, Y$  and  $Z, f = (f_1, f_2): X \rightarrow Y \times Z$  is called a *complex mapping* if  $f_1: X \rightarrow Y$  and  $f_2: X \rightarrow Z$  are mappings.

**Definition 1.1[2].** Let  $X$  be a nonempty set. A compl

ex mapping  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A) : X \rightarrow I \times I$  is called an *intuitionistic fuzzy set* (in short, IFS) on  $X$  if  $\mu_A + \nu_A \leq 1$ , where the mapping  $\mu_A : X \rightarrow I$  and  $\nu_A : X \rightarrow I$  denote the degree of membership (namely  $\mu_A(x)$ ) and the degree of nonmembership (namely  $\nu_A(x)$ ) of each  $x \in X$  to  $A$ , respectively.

We will denote the set of all the IFSs in  $X$  as  $\text{IFS}(X)$ .

**Definitions 1.2[2].** Let  $X$  be a nonempty set and let  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  and  $B = (\mu_B, \nu_B)$  be IFSs on  $X$ . Then

- (1)  $A \subset B$  iff  $\mu_A \leq \mu_B$  and  $\nu_A \geq \nu_B$ .
- (2)  $A = B$  iff  $A \subset B$  and  $B \subset A$ .
- (3)  $A^c = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$
- (4)  $A \cap B = (\mu_A \wedge \mu_B, \nu_A \vee \nu_B)$ .
- (5)  $A \cup B = (\mu_A \vee \mu_B, \nu_A \wedge \nu_B)$ .
- (6)  $[ ]A = (\mu_A, 1 - \mu_A), < > A = (1 - \nu_A, \nu_A)$ .

**Definition 1.3[5].** Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in J}$  be an arbitrary family of IFSs in  $X$ , where  $A_i = (\mu_{A_i}, \nu_{A_i})$  for each  $i \in J$ . Then

- (a)  $\cap A_i = (\wedge \mu_{A_i}, \vee \nu_{A_i})$ .
- (b)  $\cup A_i = (\vee \mu_{A_i}, \wedge \nu_{A_i})$ .

**Definition 1.4[5].**  $0 \sim = (0, 1)$  and  $1 \sim = (1, 0)$ .

**Result 1. A[5, Corollary 2.8].** Let  $A, B, C, D$  be IFSs in  $X$ . Then

- (1)  $A \subset B$  and  $C \subset D \Rightarrow A \cup C \subset B \cup D$  and  $A \cap C \subset B \cap D$ .
- (2)  $A \subset B$  and  $A \subset C \Rightarrow A \subset B \cap C$ .
- (3)  $A \subset C$  and  $B \subset C \Rightarrow A \cup B \subset C$ .
- (4)  $A \subset B$  and  $B \subset C \Rightarrow A \subset C$ .
- (5)  $(A \cup B)^c = A^c \cap B^c, (A \cap B)^c = A^c \cup B^c$ .

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- (6)  $A \subset B \Rightarrow B^c \subset A^c$ .
- (7)  $(A^c)^c = A$ .
- (8)  $1^c \sim = 0 \sim, 0^c \sim = 1 \sim$ .

**Definition 1.5[12].** Let  $\lambda, \mu \in (0, 1)$  and  $\lambda + \mu \leq 1$ . An intuitionistic fuzzy point (in short IFP)  $x_{(\lambda, \mu)}$  of  $X$  is the IFS in  $X$  defined by

$$x_{(\lambda, \mu)}(y) = \begin{cases} (\lambda, \mu) & \text{if } y = x, \\ (0, 1) & \text{if } y \neq x, \text{ for each } y \in X. \end{cases}$$

In this case,  $x$  is called the support of  $x_{(\lambda, \mu)}$  and  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are called the value and nonvalue of  $x_{(\lambda, \mu)}$ , respectively.

An IFP  $x_{(\lambda, \mu)}$  is said to belong to an IFS  $A = (\mu_{A_i}, \nu_{A_i})$  in  $X$ , denoted by  $x_{(\lambda, \mu)} \in A$  if  $\lambda \leq \mu_{A_i}(x)$  and  $\mu \geq \nu_{A_i}(x)$ .

**Result 1.B[12; Theorem 2.4].** Let  $A = (\mu_{A_i}, \nu_{A_i})$  be an IFS in  $X$ . Then

$$A = \bigcup \{x_{(\lambda, \mu)}; x_{(\lambda, \mu)} \in A\}.$$

**Definition 1.6[15].** A  $t$ -norm is a mapping  $t: I \times I \rightarrow I$  satisfying the following conditions : for any  $x, y, z, u, v \in I$

- (i)  $t(x, y) = t(y, x)$ , i.e.,  $xty = ytx$ .
- (ii)  $xt(ytz) = (xty)tz$ .
- (iii) If  $x \leq u$  and  $y \leq v$  then  $xty \leq utv$ .

In particular, if  $y \leq v$ , then  $xtv \leq xty$ .

- (iv)  $x1 = x$  and  $x0 = 0$ .

$t$ -norms which are frequently encountered are :

- (a)  $xt_0y = \min \{x, y\}$  for  $x, y \in I$ .
- (b)  $xt_1y = \text{Prod} \{x, y\} = xy$  for  $x, y \in I$ .
- (c)  $xt_2y = \max \{x + y - 1, 0\}$  for  $x, y \in I$ .

**Definition 1.7[15].** A  $t$ -conorm or  $s$ -norm is a mapping  $s_t: I \rightarrow I$  defined by : for any  $u, v \in I$ ,

$$us_tv = 1 - (1 - u)t(1 - v).$$

It is clear that  $s_t$  satisfies the following conditions : for any  $x, y, z, u, v \in I$ ,

- (i)  $xs_ty = ys_tx$ .
- (ii)  $xs_t(y s_t z) = (x s_t y) s_t z$ .
- (iii) If  $x \leq u$  and  $y \leq v$  then  $xs_ty \leq us_tv$ .

In particular, if  $y \leq v$ , then  $xs_tv \leq xs_ty$ .

- (iv)  $xs_t0 = x$  and  $xs_t1 = 1$ .

$t$ -conorms corresponding to the above  $t$ -norms  $t_0, t_1, t_2$  are as follows :

- (a')  $xs_{t_0}y = \max \{x, y\}$  for any  $x, y \in I$ .
- (b')  $xs_{t_1}y = x + y - xy$  for any  $x, y \in I$ .
- (c')  $xs_{t_2}y = \min \{1, x + y\}$  for any  $x, y \in I$ .

**Definition 1.8[11].** Let  $(X, \cdot)$  be a groupoid and let  $A, B \in IFS(X)$ . Then the intuitionistic fuzzy product of  $A$  and  $B$  under  $t$ -norm  $t$  (in short,  $t$ -intuitionistic fuzzy product of  $A$  and  $B$ ),  $A \circ_t B$ , is defined as follows : for any  $x \in X$ ,

$$\mu_{A \circ_t B}(x) = \begin{cases} \bigvee_{yz=x} [\mu_A(y) t \mu_B(z)] \\ \text{for each } (y, z) \in X \times X \text{ with } yz = x, \\ 0 \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and

$$\nu_{A \circ_t B}(x) = \begin{cases} \bigwedge_{yz=x} [\nu_A(y) t \nu_B(z)] \\ \text{for each } (y, z) \in X \times X \text{ with } yz = x, \\ 1 \text{ otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

**Definition 1.9[11].** Let  $(X, \cdot)$  be a groupoid and let  $0 \sim \neq A \in IFS(X)$ . Then  $A$  is called an intuitionistic fuzzy subgroupoid in  $X$  under a  $t$ -norm  $t$  (in short,  $t$ -IFGP) in  $X$  if  $A \circ_t A \subset A$ .

**Definition 1.9'[11].** Let  $(X, \cdot)$  be a groupoid and let  $A \in IFS(X)$ . Then  $A$  is called  $t$ -intuitionistic fuzzy groupoid (in short,  $t$ -IFGP) of  $X$ , if for any  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$\mu_A(xy) \geq \mu_A(x) t \mu_A(y)$$

and

$$\nu_A(xy) \leq \nu_A(x) s_t \nu_A(y).$$

It is clear that  $0 \sim$  and  $1 \sim$  are both  $t$ -IFGPs of  $X$ .

**Definition 1.10[9].** Let  $(X, \cdot)$  be a groupoid and let  $A, B \in IFS(X)$ . Then the intuitionistic fuzzy product of  $A$  and  $B$ ,  $A \circ B$ , is defined as follows : for any  $x \in X$ ,

$$\mu_{A \circ B}(x) = \begin{cases} \bigvee_{yz=x} [\mu_A(y) \wedge \mu_B(z)] \\ \text{for each } (y, z) \in X \times X \text{ with } yz = x, \\ 0 \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and

$$\nu_{A \circ B}(x) = \begin{cases} \bigwedge_{yz=x} [\nu_A(y) \vee \nu_B(z)] \\ \text{for each } (y, z) \in X \times X \text{ with } yz = x, \\ 1 \text{ otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

**Definition 1.11[9].** Let  $(G, \cdot)$  be a groupoid and let  $0 \sim \neq A \in IFS(G)$ . Then  $A$  is called an intuitionistic

fuzzy subgroupoid in  $G$  ( in short, *IFGP* ) in  $G$  if  $A \cdot A \subset A$ .

**Definition 1.11'[9].** Let  $(G, \cdot)$  be a groupoid and let  $A \in IFS(G)$ . Then  $A$  is called an *intuitionistic fuzzy subgroupoid* ( in short, *IFGP* ) of  $G$  if for any  $x, y \in G$ ,

$$\mu_A(xy) \geq \mu_A(x) \wedge \mu_A(y)$$

and

$$\nu_A(xy) \leq \nu_A(x) \vee \nu_A(y).$$

**Definition 1.12[10].** Let  $G$  be a group and let  $A \in IFGP(G)$ . Then  $A$  is called an *intuitionistic fuzzy subgroup* ( in short, *IFG* ) of  $G$  if  $A(x^{-1}) \geq A(x)$ , i.e.,  $\mu_A(x^{-1}) \geq \mu_A(x)$  and  $\nu_A(x^{-1}) \leq \nu_A(x)$  for each  $x \in G$ .

We will denote the set of all IFGs of  $G$  as  $IFG(G)$ .

**Definition 1.13[10].** Let  $(R, +, \cdot)$  be a ring and let  $0 \neq A \in IFS(R)$ . Then  $A$  is called an *intuitionistic fuzzy subring* ( in short, *IFR* ) in  $R$  if it satisfies the following conditions :

- (i)  $A$  is an IFG with respect to the operation " $+$ " (in the sense of Definition 1.12),
- (ii)  $A$  is an IFGP with respect to the operation " $\cdot$ " (in the sense of Definition 1.11 or 1.11').

It is clear that subrings of  $R$  are IFRs of  $R$ .

## 2. t-intuitionistic fuzzy subgroups and t-intuitionistic fuzzy normal subgroups

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $X$  be a group and let  $0 \neq A \in IFS(X)$ . Then  $A$  is called an *intuitionistic fuzzy subgroup in  $X$  under a t-norm  $t$*  (in short, *t-IFG*) in  $X$  if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (i)  $A$  is a t-IFGP in  $X$ , i.e.,  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \mu_A(x)t\mu_A(y)$  and  $\nu_A(xy) \leq \nu_A(x)s_t\nu_A(y)$  for any  $x, y \in X$ .
- (ii)  $A(x^{-1}) \geq A(x)$ , i.e.,  $\mu_A(x^{-1}) \geq \mu_A(x)$  and  $\nu_A(x^{-1}) \leq \nu_A(x)$  for each  $x \in X$ .

**Proposition 2.2.** Let  $A$  be a t-IFG in a group  $X$ . Then  $A(x^{-1}) = A(x)$ , i.e.,  $\mu_A(x^{-1}) = \mu_A(x)$  and  $\nu_A(x^{-1}) = \nu_A(x)$  for each  $x \in X$ .

**Proof.** Let  $x \in X$ . Then :

$$\mu_A(x) = \mu_A((x^{-1})^{-1}) \geq \mu_A(x^{-1}) \geq \mu_A(x)$$

and

$$\nu_A(x) = \nu_A((x^{-1})^{-1}) \leq \nu_A(x^{-1}) \leq \nu_A(x).$$

Hence  $\mu_A(x^{-1}) = \mu_A(x)$  and  $\nu_A(x^{-1}) = \nu_A(x)$  for each  $x \in X$ .

**Proposition 2.3.** If  $A$  is a t-IFG in a group  $X$ , then  $H = \{x \in X : A(x) = 1 \sim, \text{ i.e., } \mu_A(x) = 1 \text{ and } \nu_A(x) = 0\}$  is a subgroup of  $X$ .

**Proof.** Let  $x, y \in H$ . Then :

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_A(xy^{-1}) &\geq \mu_A(x)t\mu_A(y^{-1}) = \mu_A(x)t\mu_A(y) \\ &= 1t1 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_A(xy^{-1}) &\leq \nu_A(x)s_t\nu_A(y^{-1}) = \nu_A(x)s_t\nu_A(y) \\ &= 0s_t0 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\mu_A(xy^{-1}) = 1$  and  $\nu_A(xy^{-1}) = 0$ . So  $xy^{-1} \in H$ . Hence  $H$  is a subgroup of  $X$ .

**Proposition 2.4.** If  $A$  is a t-IFG in a group  $X$  and if there is a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  such that

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_A(x_n)t\mu_A(x_n) = 1$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \nu_A(x_n)s_t\nu_A(x_n) = 0$ , then  $\mu_A(e) = 1$  and  $\nu_A(e) = 0$ , where  $e$  is the unity in  $X$ .

**Proof.** Let  $x \in X$ . Then :

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_A(e) &= \mu_A(xx^{-1}) \geq \mu_A(x)t\mu_A(x^{-1}) \\ &= \mu_A(x)t\mu_A(x) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_A(e) &= \nu_A(xx^{-1}) \leq \nu_A(x)s_t\nu_A(x^{-1}) \\ &= \nu_A(x)s_t\nu_A(x). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, for each  $n$ ,  $\mu_A(e) \geq \mu_A(x_n)t\mu_A(x_n)$  and  $\nu_A(e) \leq \nu_A(x_n)s_t\nu_A(x_n)$ . On the other hand,  $1 \geq \mu_A(e) \geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_A(x_n)t\mu_A(x_n) = 1$  and  $0 \leq \nu_A(e) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \nu_A(x_n)s_t\nu_A(x_n) = 0$ . Hence  $\mu_A(e) = 1$  and  $\nu_A(e) = 0$ .

**Proposition 2.5.** Let  $A$  be a t-IFG in a group  $X$ . If  $A(xy^{-1}) = 1 \sim$ , i.e.,  $\mu_A(xy^{-1}) = 1$  and  $\nu_A(xy^{-1}) = 0$ , then  $A(x) = A(y)$ , i.e.,  $\mu_A(x) = \mu_A(y)$  and  $\nu_A(x) = \nu_A(y)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $x, y \in X$ . Then :

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_A(x) &= \mu_A((xy^{-1})y) \geq \mu_A(xy^{-1})t\mu_A(y) = 1t\mu_A(y) \\ &= \mu_A(y) = \mu_A(y^{-1}) = \mu_A(x^{-1}(xy^{-1})) \\ &\geq \mu_A(x^{-1})t\mu_A(xy^{-1}) = \mu_A(x)t1 = \mu_A(x) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_A(x) &= \nu_A((xy^{-1})y) \leq \nu_A(xy^{-1})s_t\nu_A(y) \\ &= 0s_t\nu_A(y) = \nu_A(y) = \nu_A(y^{-1}) \\ &= \nu_A(x^{-1}(xy^{-1})) \leq \nu_A(x^{-1})s_t\nu_A(xy^{-1}) \\ &= \nu_A(x)s_t0 = \nu_A(x). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\mu_A(x) = \mu_A(y)$  and  $\nu_A(x) = \nu_A(y)$ .

**Proposition 2.6.** Let  $X$  be a group and let  $0 \neq A \in IFS(X)$  with  $A(e) = (1, 0)$ . Then  $A$  is a t-IFG in  $X$  if and only if  $\mu_A(xy^{-1}) \geq \mu_A(x) t \mu_A(y)$  and  $\nu_A(xy^{-1}) \leq \nu_A(x) s_t \nu_A(y)$  for any  $x, y \in X$ .

**Proof.** ( $\Rightarrow$ ): Suppose  $A$  is a t-IFG in  $X$  and let  $x, y \in X$ . Then by Proposition 2.4,  $\mu_A(xy^{-1}) \geq \mu_A(x) t \mu_A(y)$  and  $\nu_A(xy^{-1}) \leq \nu_A(x) s_t \nu_A(y)$ .

( $\Leftarrow$ ): Suppose the necessary conditions hold and let  $x, y \in X$ . Then :

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_A(x^{-1}) &= \mu_A(ex^{-1}) \\ &\geq \mu_A(e) t \mu_A(x) \\ &= 1 t \mu_A(x) = \mu_A(x) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_A(x^{-1}) &= \nu_A(ex^{-1}) \\ &\leq \nu_A(e) s_t \nu_A(x) \\ &= 0 s_t \nu_A(x) = \nu_A(x). \end{aligned}$$

So  $\mu_A(x^{-1}) \geq \mu_A(x)$  and  $\nu_A(x^{-1}) \leq \nu_A(x)$  for each  $x \in X$ .

On the other hand :

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_A(xy) &= \mu_A(x(y^{-1})^{-1}) \geq \mu_A(x) t \mu_A(y^{-1}) \\ &\geq \mu_A(x) t \mu_A(y) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_A(xy) &= \nu_A(x(y^{-1})^{-1}) \\ &\leq \nu_A(x) s_t \nu_A(y^{-1}) \leq \nu_A(x) s_t \nu_A(y). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $A$  is a t-IFG in  $X$ .

**Proposition 2.7.** Let  $X_p$  be the cyclic group of prime order  $p$ , let  $t$  a t-norm and let  $A \in IFS(X_p)$  with  $A(e) = (1, 0)$ , where  $e$  is the identity in  $X_p$ . If  $A(x) = A(a) \leq A(e)$ , i.e.,  $\mu_A(x) = \mu_A(a) \leq \mu_A(e)$  and  $\nu_A(x) = \nu_A(a) \geq \nu_A(e)$  for each  $e \neq x \in X_p$  where  $X_p = \langle a \rangle = \{e = a^0, a^1, a^2, \dots, a^{p-1}\}$ , then  $A$  is a t-IFG in  $X_p$ .

**Proof.** Let  $x, y \in X_p$ .

Case(i) : Suppose  $x \neq e, y \neq e$  and  $xy^{-1} \neq e$ . Then, by the hypothesis,  $\mu_A(xy^{-1}) = \mu_A(x) = \mu_A(y)$  and  $\nu_A(xy^{-1}) = \nu_A(x) = \nu_A(y)$ . Thus  $\mu_A(xy^{-1}) \geq \mu_A(x) t \mu_A(y)$  and  $\nu_A(xy^{-1}) \leq \nu_A(x) s_t \nu_A(y)$ .

Case(ii) : Suppose  $x \neq e, y \neq e$  and  $xy^{-1} = e$ . Then, by the hypothesis,  $\mu_A(x) = \mu_A(y) \leq \mu_A(e) = \mu_A(xy^{-1})$  and  $\nu_A(x) = \nu_A(y) \geq \nu_A(e) = \nu_A(xy^{-1})$ . Thus

$$\mu_A(xy^{-1}) \geq \mu_A(x) t \mu_A(y)$$

and

$$\nu_A(xy^{-1}) \leq \nu_A(x) s_t \nu_A(y).$$

Case(iii) : Suppose  $x \neq e$  and  $y = e$ . Then, by the hypothesis,  $\mu_A(x) = \mu_A(xy^{-1}) \leq \mu_A(e) = \mu_A(y) = 1$  and  $\nu_A(x) = \nu_A(xy^{-1}) \geq \nu_A(e) = \nu_A(y) = 0$ . Thus

$$\mu_A(xy^{-1}) \geq \mu_A(x) t \mu_A(y)$$

and

$$\nu_A(xy^{-1}) \leq \nu_A(x) s_t \nu_A(y).$$

Case(iv) : Suppose  $x = e$  and  $y \neq e$ . Then it is the same as case (iii).

In all,

$$\mu_A(xy^{-1}) \geq \mu_A(x) t \mu_A(y)$$

and

$$\nu_A(xy^{-1}) \leq \nu_A(x) s_t \nu_A(y).$$

Hence  $A$  is a t-IFG in  $X_p$ .

**Definition 2.8.** Let  $A$  be a t-IFG in a group  $X$ . Then  $A$  is called a *t-intuitionistic fuzzy normal subgroup* (in short, *t-IFNG*) in  $X$  if  $A(xy) = A(yx)$ , i.e.,  $\mu_A(xy) = \mu_A(yx)$  and  $\nu_A(xy) = \nu_A(yx)$  for any  $x, y \in X$ .

**Proposition 2.9.** Let  $A$  be a t-IFNG in a group  $X$ .

- (1) For each  $B \in IFS(X)$ ,  $A \circ_t B = B \circ_t A$ .
- (2) If  $B$  is a t-IFG in  $X$ , then so is  $B \circ_t A$ .

**Proof.** (1) Let  $z \in X$  with  $z = xy$ . Then :

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{A \circ_t B}(z) &= \bigvee_{xy=z} \mu_A(x) t \mu_B(y) \\ &= \bigvee_{x=zy^{-1}} \mu_A(x) t \mu_B(y) \\ &= \bigvee_{x=zy^{-1}} \mu_A(zy^{-1}) t \mu_B(y) \\ &= \bigvee_{x'=y^{-1}z} \mu_A(x') t \mu_B(y) \\ &\quad (A \text{ is a } t\text{-IFNG in } X) \\ &= \bigvee_{yx'=z} \mu_B(y) t \mu_A(x') = \mu_{B \circ_t A}(z) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_{A \circ_t B}(z) &= \bigwedge_{xy=z} \nu_A(x) s_t \nu_B(y) \\ &= \bigwedge_{x=zy^{-1}} \nu_A(zy^{-1}) s_t \nu_B(y) \\ &= \bigwedge_{x'=y^{-1}z} \nu_A(zy^{-1}) s_t \nu_B(y) \\ &= \bigwedge_{yx'=z} \nu_A(x') s_t \nu_B(y) \\ &= \bigwedge_{yx'=z} \nu_B(y) s_t \nu_A(x') \\ &= \nu_{B \circ_t A}(z) \end{aligned}$$

So  $\mu_{A \circ_t B} = \mu_{B \circ_t A}$  and  $\nu_{A \circ_t B} = \nu_{B \circ_t A}$ . Hence  $A \circ_t B = B \circ_t A$ .

- (2) By Definition 1.9 and Proposition 2.9 in [11],

$(B \circ_t A) \circ_t (B \circ_t A) = B \circ_t (A \circ_t B) \circ_t A = B \circ_t (B \circ_t A) \circ_t A = (B \circ_t B) \circ_t (A \circ_t A) \subset B \circ_t A$ .  
Thus  $B \circ_t A$  is a t-IFG in  $X$ . Now let  $x \in X$  with  $x^{-1} = yz$ . Then :

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{B \circ_t A}(x^{-1}) &= \bigvee_{yz=x^{-1}} \mu_B(y) t \mu_A(z) \\ &= \bigvee_{x=z^{-1}y^{-1}} \mu_B((y^{-1})^{-1}) t \mu_A((z^{-1})^{-1}) \\ &\geq \bigvee_{x=z^{-1}y^{-1}} \mu_B(y^{-1}) t \mu_A(z^{-1}) \\ &= \bigvee_{x=z^{-1}y^{-1}} \mu_A(z^{-1}) t \mu_B(y^{-1}) \\ &= \mu_{A \circ_t B}(x) = \mu_{B \circ_t A}(x) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \nu_{B \circ_t A}(x^{-1}) &= \bigwedge_{yz=x^{-1}} \nu_B(y) s_t \nu_A(z) \\ &= \bigwedge_{x=z^{-1}y^{-1}} \nu_B((y^{-1})^{-1}) s_t \nu_A((z^{-1})^{-1}) \\ &\leq \bigwedge_{x=z^{-1}y^{-1}} \nu_B(y^{-1}) s_t \nu_A(z^{-1}) \\ &= \bigwedge_{x=z^{-1}y^{-1}} \nu_A(z^{-1}) s_t \nu_B(y^{-1}) \\ &= \nu_{A \circ_t B}(x) = \nu_{B \circ_t A}(x). \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\mu_{B \circ_t A}(x^{-1}) \geq \mu_{B \circ_t A}(x)$  and  $\nu_{B \circ_t A}(x^{-1}) \leq \nu_{B \circ_t A}(x)$ .  
Hence  $B \circ_t A$  is a t-IFG in  $X$ .

### 3. t-intuitionistic fuzzy rings and ideals

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $(X, +, \cdot)$  be a ring and let  $t$  a t-norm and let  $0 \neq A \in IFS(X)$ . Then  $A$  is called a *t-intuitionistic fuzzy subring* (in short, *t-IFR*) in  $X$  if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (i)  $A$  is a t-IFG in  $X$  with respect to "+" (in the sense of Definition 2.1),
- (ii)  $A$  is a t-IFGP in  $X$  with respect to "·" (in the sense of Definition 1.9 or Definition 1.9').

**Proposition 3.2.** Let  $X$  be a ring and let  $0 \neq A \in IFS(X)$  such that  $A(0) = 1$  where  $0$  is the zero element for "+" in  $X$ . Then  $A$  is a t-IFR in  $X$  if and only if for any  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$\mu_A(x) t \mu_A(y) \leq \mu_A(x-y) \wedge \mu_A(xy)$$

and

$$\nu_A(x) s_t \nu_A(y) \geq \nu_A(x-y) \vee \nu_A(xy).$$

**Proof.**  $A$  is a t-IFR in  $X$  if and only if  $\mu_A(x-y) \geq \mu_A(x) t \mu_A(y)$ ,  $\nu_A(x-y) \leq \nu_A(x) s_t \nu_A(y)$  (by Proposition 2.6) and  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \mu_A(x) t \mu_A(y)$ ,  $\nu_A(xy) \leq \nu_A(x) s_t \nu_A(y)$  for any  $x, y \in X$  (by Definition 1.9') if and only if  $\mu_A(x) t \mu_A(y) \leq \mu_A(x-y) \wedge \mu_A(xy)$  and  $\nu_A(x) s_t \nu_A(y) \geq \nu_A(x-y) \vee \nu_A(xy)$  for any  $x, y \in X$ .

**Corollary 3.2.** Let  $X$  be a ring and let  $0 \neq A \in IFS(X)$ . Then  $A$  is an IFR in  $X$  if and only if  $\mu_A(x) \wedge \mu_A(y) \leq \mu_A(x-y) \wedge \mu_A(xy)$  and  $\nu_A(x) \vee \nu_A(y) \geq \nu_A(x-y) \vee \nu_A(xy)$  for any  $x, y \in X$ .

**Definition 3.3.** Let  $X$  be a ring and let  $0 \neq A$  a t-IFR in  $X$ . Then  $A$  is called a :

- (1) *t-intuitionistic fuzzy left ideal* (in short, *t-IFLI*) in  $X$  if  $A(xy) \geq A(y)$  i.e.,  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \mu_A(y)$  and  $\nu_A(xy) \leq \nu_A(y)$  for any  $x, y \in X$ .
- (2) *t-intuitionistic fuzzy right ideal* (in short, *t-IFRI*) in  $X$  if  $A(xy) \geq A(x)$  i.e.,  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \mu_A(x)$  and  $\nu_A(xy) \leq \nu_A(x)$  for any  $x, y \in X$ .
- (3) *t-intuitionistic fuzzy ideal* (in short, *t-IFI*) in  $X$  if it is both t-IFLI and t-IFRI in  $X$ .

**Proposition 3.4.** Let  $X$  be a ring and let  $0 \neq A \in IFS(X)$  such that  $A(0) = 1$ . Then  $A$  is

- a t-IFI [ resp. t-IFLI, t-IFRI ] in  $X$  if and only if  $\mu_A(x-y) \geq \mu_A(x) t \mu_A(y)$ ,  $\nu_A(x-y) \leq \nu_A(x) s_t \nu_A(y)$  and  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \mu_A(x) s_t \mu_A(y) [ \geq \mu_A(y), \geq \mu_A(x) ]$ ,  $\nu_A(xy) \leq \nu_A(x) t \nu_A(y) [ \leq \nu_A(y), \leq \nu_A(x) ]$  for any  $x, y \in X$ .

**Proof.** It is obvious from Proposition 3.2 and Definition 3.3.

**Corollary 3.4[10, Proposition 4.5].** Let  $X$  be a ring and let  $0 \neq A \in IFS(X)$ . Then  $A$  is an IFI [ resp. IFLI, IFRI ] in  $X$  if and only if  $\mu_A(x-y) \geq \mu_A(x) \wedge \mu_A(y)$ ,  $\nu_A(x-y) \leq \nu_A(x) \vee \nu_A(y)$  and  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \mu_A(x) \vee \mu_A(y) [ \geq \mu_A(y), \geq \mu_A(x) ]$ ,  $\nu_A(xy) \leq \nu_A(x) \wedge \nu_A(y) [ \leq \nu_A(y), \leq \nu_A(x) ]$  for any  $x, y \in X$ .

**Proposition 3.5.** Let  $X$  be a skew-field and let  $0 \neq A \in IFS(X)$ . Then  $A$  is a t-IFI in  $X$  if and only if

- (1)  $A(x) = A(e)$ , i.e.,  $\mu_A(x) = \mu_A(e)$  and  $\nu_A(x) = \nu_A(e)$  for each  $x \in X - \{0\}$ ,
- (2)  $\mu_A(0) = \mu_A(0) s_t \mu_A(x) \geq \mu_A(e) t \mu_A(e)$  and  $\nu_A(0) = \nu_A(0) t \nu_A(x) \leq \nu_A(e) s_t \nu_A(e)$  for each  $x \in X$ ,
- (3)  $\mu_A(e) = \mu_A(e) s_t \mu_A(e)$  and  $\nu_A(e) = \nu_A(e) t \nu_A(e)$ .

**Proof.( $\Rightarrow$ ):** Suppose  $A$  is a t-IFI in  $X$  and let  $0 \neq x \in X$ . Then :

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_A(x) &= \mu_A(xe) \geq \mu_A(x) s_t \mu_A(e) \\ &= \mu_A(e) s_t \mu_A(x) \geq \mu_A(e) s_t 0 \\ &= 1 - (1 - \mu_A(e)) t (1 - 0) \\ &= 1 - (1 - \mu_A(e)) = \mu_A(e) = \mu_A(x^{-1}x) \\ &\geq \mu_A(x^{-1}) s_t \mu_A(x) = \mu_A(x) s_t \mu_A(x^{-1}) \\ &\geq \mu_A(x) s_t 0 = \mu_A(x) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_A(x) &= \nu_A(xe) \leq \nu_A(x) t \nu_A(e) \\ &= \nu_A(e) t \nu_A(x) \leq \nu_A(e) t 1 \\ &= 1 - (1 - \nu_A(e)) s_t (1 - 1) \\ &= 1 - (1 - \nu_A(e)) = \nu_A(e) \\ &= \nu_A(x^{-1}) t 1 \leq \nu_A(x^{-1}) t \nu_A(x) \\ &= \nu_A(x) t \nu_A(x^{-1}) \leq \nu_A(x) t 1 \\ &= \nu_A(x). \end{aligned}$$

So  $\mu_A(x) = \mu_A(e)$  and  $\nu_A(x) = \nu_A(e)$  for each  $x \in X - \{0\}$ , i.e., the condition (1) holds.

Let  $x \in X$ . Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_A(0) &= \mu_A(x0) \geq \mu_A(x) s_t \mu_A(0) \\ &= \mu_A(0) s_t \mu_A(x) \geq \mu_A(0) s_t 0 = \mu_A(0) \\ &= \mu_A(0) s_t \mu_A(0) = \mu_A(e - e) s_t \mu_A(e - e) \\ &\geq [\mu_A(e) t \mu_A(e)] s_t [\mu_A(e) t \mu_A(e)] \\ &\geq [\mu_A(e) t \mu_A(e)] s_t 0 = \mu_A(e) t \mu_A(e) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_A(0) &= \nu_A(x0) \leq \nu_A(x) t \nu_A(0) = \nu_A(0) t 1 \\ &= \nu_A(0) t \nu_A(0) = \nu_A(e - e) t \nu_A(e - e) \\ &\leq [\nu_A(e) s_t \nu_A(e)] t [\nu_A(e) s_t \nu_A(e)] \\ &= [\nu_A(e) s_t \nu_A(e)] t 1 = \nu_A(e) s_t \nu_A(e). \end{aligned}$$

So  $\mu_A(0) = \mu_A(0) s_t \mu_A(x) \geq \mu_A(e) t \mu_A(e)$  and  $\nu_A(0) = \nu_A(0) t \nu_A(x) \leq \nu_A(e) t \nu_A(e)$ , i.e., the condition (2) holds.

Now let  $0 \neq x \in X$ . Then, by (1),

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_A(e) &= \mu_A(x) = \mu_A(xe) \geq \mu_A(x) s_t \mu_A(e) \\ &= \mu_A(e) s_t \mu_A(x) \geq \mu_A(e) s_t 0 = \mu_A(e) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_A(e) &= \nu_A(x) = \nu_A(xe) \leq \nu_A(x) t \nu_A(e) \\ &= \nu_A(e) t \nu_A(x) \leq \nu_A(e) t 1 = \nu_A(e). \end{aligned}$$

So  $\mu_A(e) = \mu_A(e) s_t \mu_A(e)$  and  $\nu_A(e) = \nu_A(e) t \nu_A(e)$ , i.e., the condition (3) holds.

( $\Leftarrow$ ): Suppose the necessary conditions hold and let  $x \in X$ . Since  $\mu_A(0) = \mu_A(-0)$  and  $\nu_A(0) = \nu_A(-0)$ , let  $x \neq 0$ . Then, by (1),  $\mu_A(x) = \mu_A(e) = \mu_A(-x)$  and  $\nu_A(x) = \nu_A(e) = \nu_A(-x)$ . So  $\mu_A(-x) = \mu_A(x)$  and  $\nu_A(-x) = \nu_A(x)$  for each  $x \in X$ . (\*)

Let  $x, y \in X$ .

Case (i): Suppose  $x + y \neq 0$  with  $y \neq 0$ . Then;

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_A(x+y) &= \mu_A(x+y) t 1 \\ &\geq \mu_A(x+y) t \mu_A(x) \\ &= \mu_A(x) t \mu_A(x) \quad (by(1)) \\ &= \mu_A(y) t \mu_A(x) \quad (by(1)) \\ &= \mu_A(x) t \mu_A(y) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_A(x+y) &= \nu_A(x+y) s_t 0 \\ &\leq \nu_A(x+y) t \nu_A(x) \\ &= \nu_A(e) s_t \nu_A(x) \quad (by(1)) \\ &= \nu_A(y) s_t \nu_A(x) \quad (by(1)) \\ &= \nu_A(x) s_t \nu_A(y). \end{aligned}$$

Case(ii): Suppose  $x + y = 0$  with  $x = 0$ . Then :

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_A(x+y) &= \mu_A(0) = \mu_A(0) t 1 \geq \mu_A(0) t \mu_A(y) \\ &= \mu_A(x) t \mu_A(y) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_A(x+y) &= \nu_A(0) = \nu_A(0) s_t 0 \leq \nu_A(0) s_t \nu_A(y) \\ &= \nu_A(x) s_t \nu_A(y). \end{aligned}$$

Case(iii): Suppose  $x + y = 0$  with  $0 \neq x = -y$ . Then ;

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_A(x+y) &= \mu_A(0) \geq \mu_A(e) t \mu_A(e) \quad (by(2)) \\ &= \mu_A(x) t \mu_A(-y) \quad (by(1)) \\ &= \mu_A(x) t \mu_A(y) \quad (by(*)) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_A(x+y) &= \nu_A(0) \leq \nu_A(e) s_t \nu_A(e) \quad (by(2)) \\ &= \nu_A(x) s_t \nu_A(-y) \quad (by(1)) \\ &= \nu_A(x) s_t \nu_A(y). \quad (by(*)) \end{aligned}$$

In all, for any  $x, y \in X$ ,  $\mu_A(x+y) \geq \mu_A(x) t \mu_A(y)$  and  $\nu_A(x+y) \leq \nu_A(x) s_t \nu_A(y)$ . (\*\*)

Now let  $x, y \in X$ .

Case(i): Suppose  $xy = 0$  with, say,  $x = 0$ .

Then; by (2),

$$\mu_A(xy) = \mu_A(0) = \mu_A(0) s_t \mu_A(y) = \mu_A(x) s_t \mu_A(y)$$

and

$$\nu_A(xy) = \nu_A(0) = \nu_A(0) t \nu_A(y) = \nu_A(x) t \nu_A(y).$$

Case(ii): Suppose  $xy \neq 0$ . Then; by (1) and (3),

$$\mu_A(xy) = \mu_A(e) = \mu_A(e) s_t \mu_A(e) = \mu_A(x) s_t \mu_A(y)$$

and

$$\nu_A(xy) = \nu_A(e) = \nu_A(e) t \nu_A(e) = \nu_A(x) t \nu_A(y).$$

In all, for any  $x, y \in X$ ,  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \mu_A(x) s_t \mu_A(y)$  and  $\nu_A(xy) \leq \nu_A(x) t \nu_A(y)$ . (\*\*\*)

On the other hand; by (\*\*\*)

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_A(xy) &\geq \mu_A(x) s_t \mu_A(y) \geq \mu_A(x) s_t 0 \\ &= \mu_A(x) = \mu_A(x) t 1 \geq \mu_A(x) t \mu_A(y) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_A(xy) &\leq \nu_A(x) \wedge \nu_A(y) \leq \nu_A(x) \wedge 1 \\ &= \nu_A(x) = \nu_A(x) \wedge 0 \leq \nu_A(x) \wedge \nu_A(y). \end{aligned}$$

So  $\mu_A(xy) \geq \mu_A(x) \wedge \mu_A(y)$  and  $\nu_A(xy) \leq \nu_A(x) \wedge \nu_A(y)$  for  $x, y \in X$ . (\*\*\*\*)

Hence, by (\*), (\*\*), (\*\*\*) and (\*\*\*\*),  $A$  is a t-IFI in  $X$ .

**Corollary 3.5[10, Proposition 4.7].** Let  $X$  be a skew field and let  $0 \neq A \in IFS(X)$ . Then  $A$  is an IFI[resp. IFLI, IFRI] in  $X$  if and only if  $A(x) = A(e) \leq A(0)$ , i.e.,  $\mu_A(x) = \mu_A(e) \leq \mu_A(0)$  and  $\nu_A(x) = \nu_A(e) \geq \nu_A(0)$  for each  $0 \neq x \in X$ .

**Proposition 3.6.** Let  $X$  be a commutative ring with a unity  $e$ . If for any t-IFI  $A$  in  $X$ ;  $A(x) = A(e) \leq A(0)$ , i.e.,  $\mu_A(x) = \mu_A(e) \leq \mu_A(0)$  and  $\nu_A(x) = \nu_A(e) \geq \nu_A(0)$  for each  $0 \neq x \in X$ , then  $X$  is a field.

**Proof.** Let  $A$  be an ideal of  $X$  such that  $A \neq X$ . Then clearly  $A = (\chi_A, \chi_{A^c})$  is a t-IFI in  $X$  such that  $A \neq 1$ . Then there exists  $y \in X$  such that  $y \notin A$ .

Thus  $\chi_A(y) = 0$  and  $\chi_{A^c}(y) = 1$ . By the hypothesis,  $\chi_A(x) = \chi_A(e) \leq \chi_A(0)$  and  $\chi_{A^c}(x) = \chi_{A^c}(e) \geq \chi_{A^c}(0)$  for each  $0 \neq x \in X$ . Thus  $\chi_A(x) = \chi_A(e) \leq \chi_A(0)$  and  $\chi_{A^c}(x) = \chi_{A^c}(e) = 1 \geq \chi_{A^c}(0)$  for each  $0 \neq x \in X$ . So  $\chi_A(0) = 1$  and  $\chi_{A^c}(0) = 0$ , i.e.,  $A = \{0\}$ . Hence  $X$  is a field.

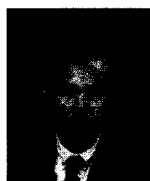
**Corollary 3.6[10, Proposition 4.9].** Let  $X$  be a commutative ring with a unity  $e$ . If for any IFI  $A$  in  $X$ ,  $A(x) = A(e) \leq A(0)$ , i.e.,  $\mu_A(x) = \mu_A(e) \leq \mu_A(0)$  and  $\nu_A(x) = \nu_A(e) \geq \nu_A(0)$  for each  $0 \neq x \in X$ . Then  $X$  is a field.

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