## FUZZY SUB-F-POLYGROUPS

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Abstrace: The concepts of scalars, fuzzy sub-F-polygroups and fuzzy congruence relations of an F-polygroup are defined and some theorems are proved.

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## 1. PRELIMINARIES

A fuzzy subset [3] of a non-empty set A is a function from A to [0,1]. Throughout this paper I is the unit interval  $[0,1] \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  and  $I^A$  is the set of all fuzzy subsets of A. If  $\mu \in I^A$ , then by  $supp(\mu)$ we mean the set  $\{x \in A | \mu(x) \neq 0\}$ . Let  $\mu, \eta \in I^A$ . Then  $\mu \leq \eta$  iff  $\mu(x) \leq \eta(x)$ , For all  $x \in A$ .

Definition 1.1. Let  $\mu, \eta$  and  $\mu_{\alpha} \in I^A$  where  $\alpha$  is in the index set  $\Lambda$ . We define the fuzzy subsets  $\mu \cap \eta, \mu \cup \eta, \bigcap_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \mu_{\alpha}$  and  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \mu_{\alpha}$ as follows:

- (i)  $(\mu \cap \eta)(x) = \min\{\mu(x), \eta(x)\},$
- (ii)  $(\mu \cup \eta)(x) = \max\{\mu(x), \eta(x)\},$

(iii) 
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(iv)  $(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \mu_{\alpha})(x) = \sup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \mu_{\alpha}(x),$  for all  $x \in A$ .

Definition 1.2. Let  $a \in A, t \in I$ . They by a fuzzy point  $a_t$  of A we mean the fuzzy subset of A given as:

$$a_t(x) = \begin{cases} t & \text{if } x = a \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Definition 1.3 [5] Let  $A \neq \emptyset$  and  $I_{\bullet}^A = I^A \setminus \{o\}$ , where o is the function which is identically 0. Then

(i) by an F-hyperoperation \* on A we mean a function from  $A \times A$  to  $I_*^A$ ; in other words for any  $a, b \in A, a * b$  is a non-empty fuzzy = subset of A.

(ii) if 
$$\mu, \eta \in I_*^A$$
, then  $\mu * \eta \in I_*^A$  is defined by:  $\mu * \eta = \bigcup_{x \in supp(\mu), y \in supp(\eta)} x * y$ .

Notation 1.4. Let  $\mu \in I_*^A$ ,  $B\&C \in P^*(A)$  and  $\mathfrak{a} \in A$ . Then

(i)  $a*\mu$  and  $\mu*a$  denote  $\chi_{\{a\}}*\mu$  and  $\mu*\chi_{\{a\}}$  respectively,

(ii)  $a*B, B*a, \mu*B, B*\mu$  and B\*C denote  $\chi_{\{a\}}*\chi_{B}, \chi_{B}*$  $\chi_{\{a\}}, \mu * \chi_B, \chi_B * \mu \text{ and } \chi_B * \chi_C \text{ respectively.}$ 

**Definition 1.5** [5]. Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a non-empty set and "\*" an F-hyperoperation on  $\mathcal{F}$ . Then  $(\mathcal{F},*)$  is called an F-polygroup iff

- (i)  $(x * y) * z = x * (y * z), \forall x, y, z \in \mathcal{F},$
- (ii) there exists an element  $e_F \in \mathcal{F}$  such that  $x \in supp(x * e_F \cap e_F * x)$ ,  $\forall x \in \mathcal{F}$  (In this case we say  $e_F$  is an F-identity element of  $\mathcal{F}$ .),
- (iii) for each  $x \in \mathcal{F}$ , there exists a unique element  $x' \in \mathcal{F}$  such that  $e_F \in supp(x * x' \cap x' * x)$ ,  $(x' \text{ is called the F-inverse of } x \text{ and is denoted by } x_F^{-1}.)$ ,
- (iv)  $z \in supp(x * y) \Rightarrow x \in supp(z * y^{-1}) \Rightarrow y \in supp(x^{-1} * z)$ ,  $\forall x, y, z \in \mathcal{F}$ . (This property is called the *F*-reversibility of  $\mathcal{F}$  with respect to \*.)

When there is no ambiguity, for simplicity of notation we use e and  $x^{-1}$  instead of  $e_F$  and  $x_F^{-1}$  respectively.

If  $\mathcal{F}$  is an F-polygroup and x \* y = y \* x,  $\forall x, y \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $\mathcal{F}$  is said to be Abelian.

Henceforth  $\mathcal{F}$  will denote an F-polygroup with hyperoperation "\*" and e will denote the F-identity of  $\mathcal{F}$ .

**Definition 1.6** [5]. Let  $\emptyset \neq H \subseteq \mathcal{F}$ . Then H is called an F-subpolygroup iff

- (i) if  $x \in H$ , then  $x^{-1} \in H$ ;
- (ii)  $supp(x*y) \subseteq H, \forall x, y \in H.$

In this case we write:  $H <_{F-P} \mathcal{F}$ .

Note that condition (ii) of the above Definition is equivalent to  $x*y \leq \chi_H$ ,  $\forall x,y \in H$ .

**Lemma 1.7** [5]. Let  $\emptyset \neq H \subseteq \mathcal{F}$ . Then  $H <_{F-P} \mathcal{F}$  if and only if  $supp(x * y^{-1}) \subseteq H$ ,  $\forall x, y \in H$ .

**Definition 1.8** [5]. Let  $H <_{F-P} \mathcal{F}$ . Then

- (i) H is said to be weak normal in  $\mathcal{F}(H \triangleleft_{F-P}^w \mathcal{F})$  iff  $x*H*x^{-1} \leq \chi_H$ ,  $\forall x \in \mathcal{F}$ ,
- (ii) H is said to be normal in  $\mathcal{F}(H \triangleleft_{F-P} \mathcal{F})$  iff  $x * H * x^{-1} = \chi_H$ ,  $\forall x \in \mathcal{F}$ .

Notation: Let  $H \triangleleft_{F-P} \mathcal{F}$ . Then  $\mathcal{F}/H = \{x * H : x \in \mathcal{F}\}$ .

**Theorem 1.9** [6]. Let  $H \triangleleft_{F-P} \mathcal{F}$ . Define the F-hyperoperation " $\square$ "

on  $\mathcal{F}/H$  as follows:

$$\Box: \mathcal{F}/H \times \mathcal{F}/H \longrightarrow I_{\star}^{\mathcal{F}/H}$$
$$(x * H, y * H) \longmapsto x * H \Box y * H$$

where

$$(x*H\square y*H)(z*H)=(x*y*H)(z), \quad \forall z*H\in \mathcal{F}/H.$$

Then  $(\mathcal{F}/H, \square)$  is an F-polygroup called the quotient F-polygroup.

**Definition 1.10.** A fuzzy binary relation R on a set X (i.e.  $R \in I^{X \times X}$ ) is said to be a fuzzy similarity relation if it satisfies for all  $x, y, z \in X$ :

- (S1) reflexivity: R(x, x) = 1;
- (S2) symmetry: R(x, y) = R(y, x);
- (S3) transitivity:  $\min\{R(x,y),R(y,z)\} \leq R(x,z)$ .

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $\mu \in I^{\mathcal{F}}$ . Then  $\mu$  is a fuzzy sub-F-polygroup of  $\mathcal{F}$  iff

- (i)  $\mu(z) \geq min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}, \forall z \in supp(x * y), \forall x, y \in \mathcal{F}.$
- (ii)  $\mu(x^{-1}) \ge \mu(x), \forall x \in \mathcal{F}$ .

Note that this definition is a generalization of D-finition 4.1 of [4]. Clearly (ii) implies that  $\mu(x^{-1}) = \mu(x), \forall x \in \mathcal{F}$  and (i) implies that  $\mu(e) \geq \mu(x), \forall x \in \mathcal{F}$ .

**Definition 2.2.** Let  $\xi$  be a binary fuzzy relation between two F-polygroups  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}'$  (i.e.  $\xi \in I^{\mathcal{F} \times \mathcal{F}'}$ ). Then  $\xi$  is called an FP-relation iff:

(i)  $(e, e') \in supp(\xi)$ , where e and e' are the identity elements of  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{F}'$  respectively;

(ii)  $\xi(a,b) \le \xi(a^{-1},b^{-1}) \ \forall a,b \in \mathcal{F},$ 

(iii)  $\min\{\xi(a,b),\xi(c,d)\} \leq \xi(x,y), \forall x \in supp(a*c), y \in supp(b*d), \text{ for all } (a,b),(c,d) \in \mathcal{F} \times \mathcal{F}'.$ 

Clearly (ii) implies that  $\xi(a,b) = \xi(a^{-1},b^{-1}), \forall a,b \in \mathcal{F}$ .

**Theorem. 2.3.** If  $\xi$  is an FP-relation between  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}'$  and if  $K <_{F-P} \mathcal{F}'$ , then the subset H of  $\mathcal{F}$  which is defined as follows:

$$H = \{x \in \mathcal{F} : (x, y) \in supp(\xi), \text{ for some } y \in K\}$$

is an F-subpolygroup of  $\mathcal{F}$ .

**Proof.** Since  $(e,e') \in supp(\xi)$ , so  $e \in H$ . Now let  $x \in H$ . Then there is  $y \in K$  such that  $\xi(x,y) > 0$ . Since  $\xi(x,y) \le \xi(x^{-1},y^{-1})$  and  $y^{-1} \in K$ , we get  $x^{-1} \in H$ . At present let  $x_1,x_2 \in H$  and  $t \in supp(x_1*x_2)$ . Thus  $(x_1,y_1)\&(x_2,y_2) \in supp(\xi)$ , for some  $y_1,y_2 \in K$ . Thus

$$0 < \min\{\xi(x_1, y_1), \xi(x_2, y_2)\} \le \xi(t, w)$$

where  $w \in supp(y_1 * y_2) \subseteq K$ . Hence  $t \in H$ .

**Theorem 2.4.** If  $\xi$  is a reflexive FP-relation on an F-polygroup  $\mathcal{F}$ , then  $\xi$  is a fuzzy similarity relation on  $\mathcal{F}$ .

**Proof.** First we prove the condition  $S_2$  of Definition 1.10. Let  $(a,b) \in \mathcal{F} \times \mathcal{F}$ . Then

 $\xi(a,b)$ 

=  $\min\{\xi(a,b),\xi(b^{-1},b^{-1})\}$ , by reflexivity of  $\xi$ 

 $\leq \xi(t,e), \forall t \in supp(a*b^{-1}), \text{ since } e \in supp(b*b^{-1})$ 

 $\leq \xi(t^{-1},e), \forall t \in supp(a*b^{-1})$ 

=  $\min\{\xi(t^{-1},e), \xi(a,a)\}$ , by reflexivity of  $\xi$ 

 $\leq \xi(b,a)$ , since  $b \in supp(t^{-1} * a)$ .

Similarly  $\xi(b,a) \leq \xi(a,b)$ . Hence  $\xi$  is symmetric. Now we prove the condition  $S_3$  of Definition 1.10. For any  $a,b,d \in \mathcal{F}$  we

have:

$$\begin{aligned} \min\{\xi(a,b),\xi(b,d)\} & \leq & \xi(b,d) \\ & = & \min\{\xi(b,d),\xi(b^{-1},b^{-1})\} \\ & \leq & \xi(e,w) \;, \; \forall w \in supp(d*b^{-1}) \cdot \end{aligned}$$

Since,  $\min\{\xi(a,b),\xi(b,d)\} \leq \xi(a,b)$ . Therefore

$$\min\{\xi(a,b),\xi(b,d)\} \leq \min\{\xi(e,w),\xi(a,b)\}$$
  
$$\leq \xi(a,d), \text{since } d \in supp(w*b).$$

Thus  $\xi$  is transitive.

**Definition 2.5.** An FP-relation on an F-polygroup  $\mathcal{F}$  which is also a fuzzy similarity relation is called a fuzzy congruence relation on  $\mathcal{F}$ .

**Definition 2.6.** Let  $\xi$  be a fuzzy congruence relation on  $\mathcal{F}$ , then the fuzzy subset  $\xi < e >$  of  $\mathcal{F}$  is defined by  $\xi < \epsilon > (x) = \xi(e,x)$ , for all  $x \in \mathcal{F}$ .

Theorem 2.7. If  $\xi$  is a fuzzy congruence relation on an F-polygroup  $\mathcal{F}$ , then the fuzzy subset  $\xi < \epsilon >$  is a fuzzy sub-F-polygroup of  $\mathcal{F}$ .

**Proof.** Let  $x, y \in \mathcal{F}$ . Then  $\min\{\xi < e > (x), \xi < e > (y)\} = \min\{\xi(e, x), \xi(e, y)\} \le \xi(e, z), \forall z \in supp(x * y).$ 

Also we have  $\xi < e > (x) = \xi(e, x) \le \xi(e, x^{-1}) = \xi < e > (x^{-1})$ . Therefore  $\xi < e >$  is a fuzzy sub-F-polygroup of  $\mathcal{F}$ .

**Definition 2.8.** Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy sub-F-polygroup of  $\mathcal{F}$ . Then  $\mu$  is said to be normal iff for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{F}$ 

$$\mu(z) = \mu(z'), \forall z \in supp(x * y), \ \forall z' \in supp(y * z).$$

Note that the above definition generalizes Definition 2.3 of [4].

**Remark 2.9.** It is obvious that if  $\mu$  is a normal fuzzy sub-F-polygroup of  $\mathcal{F}$ , then  $\mu(z) = \mu(z'), \ \forall z, z' \in supp(x*y), \ \forall x, y \in \mathcal{F}$ .

**Theorem 2.10.** Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy sub-F-polygroup of  $\mathcal{F}$ . Then the following condition are equivalent:

- (i)  $\mu$  is normal.
- (ii) For all  $x, y \in \mathcal{F}, \mu(z) = \mu(y), \forall z \in supp(x * y * x^{-1})$
- (iii) For all  $x, y \in \mathcal{F}, \mu(z) \ge \mu(y), \ \forall z \in supp(x * y * x^{-1})$
- (iv) For all  $x, y \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $\mu(z) = \mu(y)$ ,  $\forall z \in supp(x^{-1} * y^{-1} * x * y)$ . **Proof.** The proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 2.5 of [4].

Corollary 2.11. If  $\xi$  is a fuzzy congruence relation on  $\mathcal{F}$ , then  $\xi < e > \in I^{\mathcal{F}}$  is a normal fuzzy sub-F-polygroup of  $\mathcal{F}$ .

**Proof.** By Theorem 2.7,  $\xi < e >$  is a fuzzy sub-F-polygroup of  $\mathcal{F}$ . Now let  $x, y \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $z \in supp(x * y * x^{-1})$ . Then  $z \in supp(t * x^{-1})$ , for some  $t \in supp(x * y)$ . Hence we have:

$$\xi < e > (z) = \xi(e, z)$$

$$\geq \min\{\xi(x, t), \xi(x^{-1}, x^{-1})\},$$

$$= \xi(x, t), \text{ since } \xi \text{ is reflexive}$$

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$$= \xi(e, y), \text{ since } \xi \text{ is reflexive}$$

$$= \xi < e > (y).$$

Therefore by Theorem 2.10 (iii),  $\xi < e >$  is normal.

Corollary 2.12.  $H \triangleleft_{F-P}^w \mathcal{F}$  if and only if  $\chi_H$  is a normal fuzzy sub-F-polygroup of  $\mathcal{F}$ .

**Proof.** The proof follows from Definition 2.1, Theorem 2.10 (iii).

Corollary 2.13. Let  $H \triangleleft_{F-P} \mathcal{F}$ . Then  $x * H * x^{-1}$  is a normal fuzzy sub-F-polygroup of  $\mathcal{F}$ , for all  $x \in \mathcal{F}$ .

Proof. It is obvious.

Remark 2.14. It is well-known that in the fuzzy group theory, every fuzzy subgroup of an Abelian group is normal. But the following example shows that this is not true in the case of F-polygroups. At first we have the following theorem:

Theorem 2.15 [6]. Let (A, o) be a polygroup [1]. Then (A, \*) is an F-polygroup where  $x * y = \chi_{xoy}, \ \forall x, y \in A$ .

**Example 2.16.** If  $(H = \{e, a, b, c\},.)$  is Klein's four-group, then (H, o) is a polygroup (see [2]) where the hyperoperation "o" is defined as follows:

$$xoy = \{x, y, x.y\}, \text{ if } x \neq y^{-1}, \quad x, y \neq \epsilon,$$
  
 $xox^{-1} = x^{-1}ox = H, \text{ if } x \neq \epsilon,$   
 $xoe = eox = \{x\} \text{ for every } x \in H.$ 

Now let "\*" be the F-hyperoperatoin induced by "o" (i.e.  $x*y=\chi_{xoy}, \forall x,y\in H$ ). Then by Theorem 2.15 (H,\*) is an F-polygroup. Let  $\beta,\gamma\in[0,1]$  such that  $\beta<\gamma$ . Define a fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of H as follows:

$$\mu(a) = \mu(b) = \mu(c) = \beta, \mu(\epsilon) = \gamma.$$

Then it is easy to see that  $\mu$  is a fuzzy sub-F-polygroup of (H,\*). But since  $e \in supp(a*a)$ ,  $a \in supp(a*a)$  and  $\mu(e) \neq \mu(a)$ , we get  $\mu$  is not normal.

Theorem 2.17. Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be an Abelian F-polygroup and  $\mu$  a normal fuzzy sub-F-polygroup of  $\mathcal{F}$  such that  $\mu(\epsilon) = 1$ . Define  $\xi \in I^{\mathcal{F} \times \mathcal{F}}$  as follows:

$$\xi(x,y) = \mu(z)$$
, for some arbitrary element  $z \in supp(x * y^{-1})$ 

Then  $\xi$  is a fuzzy congruence relation and  $\mu = \xi < \epsilon >$ .

**Proof.** By Remark 2.9,  $\xi$  is well-defined. Clearly  $\xi(e, e) > 0$ . Now for all  $(x, y) \in \mathcal{F} \times \mathcal{F}$  we have:

$$\xi(x,y) = \mu(w), w \in supp(x * y^{-1})$$

= 
$$\mu(w^{-1})$$
,  $w^{-1} \in supp(y * x^{-1})$   
=  $supp(x^{-1} * y)$ , by commutativity of \*  
=  $\xi(x^{-1}, y^{-1})$ .

Now we show that

$$\min\{\xi(a_1, b_1), \xi(a_2, b_2)\} \le \xi(x, y), \forall x \in supp(a_1 * a_2)$$
  
,  $\forall y \in supp(b_1 * b_2)$ .

Let  $x \in supp(a_1 * a_2)$ ,  $y \in supp(b_1 * b_2)$  and  $t \in supp(x * y^{-1})$  be arbitrary. Then we have:  $t \in supp(x * y^{-1}) \subseteq supp(a_1 * b_1^{-1} * a_2 * b_2^{-1})$ . Thus  $t \in supp(s * w)$ , for some  $s \in supp(a_1 * b_1^{-1})$  and  $w \in supp(a_2 * b_2^{-1})$ . Therefore we get

$$\xi(x,y) = \mu(t)$$
, by definition of  $\xi$   
 $\geq \min\{\mu(s), \mu(w)\}$ , since  $\mu$  is a fuzzy sub-F-polygroup  
 $= \min\{\xi(a_1, b_1), \xi(a_2, b_2)\}$ .

Consequently  $\xi$  is an FP-relation. Since  $\xi(x,x) = \mu(e) = 1$ , then  $\xi$  is reflexive. Hence by Theorem 2.4 and Definition 2.5,  $\xi$  is a fuzzy congruence relation.

Since 
$$\mu(x) = \mu(x^{-1}), \forall x \in \mathcal{F}$$
, we get that  $\mu = \xi < e >$ .

Corollary 2.18. Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy subset of an Abelian F-polygroup,  $\mathcal{F}$ . Then  $\mu$  is a normal fuzzy sub-F-polygroup of  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mu(e)=1$  if and only if there exists a congruence relation  $\xi$  on  $\mathcal{F}$  such that  $\mu=\xi< e>$ .

**Proof.** The proof follows from Theorem 2.17, and Corollary 2.11.

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