### INTUITIONISTIC FUZZY IDEALS OF A SEMIGROUP

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Abstract. We give the characterization of an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal[resp. intuitionistic fuzzy left ideal, an intuitionistic fuzzy right ideal and an intuitionistic fuzzy bi-ideal] generated by an intuitionistic fuzzy set in a semigroup without any condition. And we prove that every intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of a semigroup S is the union of a family of intuitionistic fuzzy principle ideals of S. Finally, we investigate the intuitionistic fuzzy ideal generated by an intuitionistic fuzzy set in  $S^1$ .

#### 0. Introduction

In his pioneering paper [21], Zadeh introduced the notion of a fuzzy set in a set X as a mapping from X into the closed unit interval [0,1]. Since then, some researchers [16,17,19,20] applied this notion to semigroup and group theory.

In 1986, Atanassov[2] introduced the concept of intuitionistic fuzzy sets as the generalization of fuzzy sets. Recently Çoker and his colleagues[6,7,8], Hur and his colleagues [13], and Lee and Lee[18] introduced the concept of intuitionistic fuzzy topological spaces using intuitionistic fuzzy sets and investigated some of their properties. In 1989, Biswas[3] introduced the concept of intuitionistic fuzzy subgroups and

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studied some of it's properties. In 2003, Banerjee and Basnet[2] investigated intuitionistic fuzzy subrings and intuitionistic fuzzy ideals using intuitionistic fuzzy sets. Also, Hur and his colleagues[1,9-11, 14, 15] applied the notion of intuitionistic fuzzy sets to algebra. Moreover, Hur and his colleagues[12] applied one to topological group.

In this paper, we give the characterization of an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal [resp. intuitionistic fuzzy left ideal, an intuitionistic fuzzy right ideal and an intuitionistic fuzzy bi-ideal] generated by an intuitionistic fuzzy set in a semigroup without any condition. And we prove that every intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of a semigroup S is the union of a family of intuitionistic fuzzy principle ideals of S. Finally, we investigate the intuitionistic fuzzy ideal generated by an intuitionistic fuzzy set in  $S^1$ .

## 1. Preliminaries

We will list some concept and one result needed in the later sections. For sets X, Y and Z,  $f = (f_1, f_2) : X \to Y \times Z$  is called a *complex mapping* if  $f_1 : X \to Y$  and  $f_2 : X \to Z$  are mappings.

Throughout this paper, we will denote the unit interval [0,1] as I.

Definition 1.1[2, 6]. Let X be a nonempty set. A complex mapping  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A) : X \to I \times I$  is called an *intuitionistic fuzzy set*(in short, IFS) in X if  $\mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) \leq 1$  for each  $x \in X$ , where the mapping  $\mu_A : X \to I$  and  $\nu_A : X \to I$  denote the degree of membership (namely  $\mu_A(x)$ ) and the degree of non-membership(namely  $\nu_A(x)$ ) of each  $x \in X$  to A, respectively. In particular,  $0_{\sim}$  and  $1_{\sim}$  denote the *intuitionistic fuzzy empty set* and the *intuitionistic fuzzy whole set* in a set X defined by  $0_{\sim}(x) = (0,1)$  and  $1_{\sim}(x) = (1,0)$  for each  $x \in X$ , respectively.

We will denote the set of all IFSs in X as IFS(X).

**Definition 1.2[2].** Let X be a nonempty sets and let  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  and  $B = (\mu_B, \nu_B)$  be an IFSs in X. Then

- (1)  $A \subset B$  if and only if  $\mu_A \leq \mu_B$  and  $\nu_A \geq \nu_B$ .
- (2) A = B if and only if  $A \subset B$  and  $B \subset A$ .
- (3)  $A^c = (\nu_A, \mu_A)$ .
- (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[6].** 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

- $(1) \bigcap A_i = (\wedge \mu_{A_i}, \vee \nu_{A_i}).$
- (2)  $\bigcup A_i = (\vee \mu_{A_i}, \wedge \nu_{A_i}).$

**Definition 1.4[18].** Let  $\lambda, \mu \in I$  with  $\lambda + \mu \leq 1$ . An *intuitionistic* fuzzy point(in short, IFP)  $x_{(\lambda,\mu)}$  of X is an IFS in a set X defined by for each  $y \in X$ 

$$x_{(\lambda,\mu)}(y) = \begin{cases} (\lambda,\mu) & \text{if } y = x, \\ (0,1) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

In this case, x is called the *support* of  $x_{(\lambda,\mu)}$  and  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are called the *value* and the *nonvalue* of  $x_{(\lambda,\mu)}$ , respectively. An IFP  $x_{(\lambda,\mu)}$  is said to belong to an IFS  $A = (\mu_A, \nu_A)$  in X, denoted by  $x_{(\lambda,\mu)} \in A$ , if  $\lambda \leq \mu_A(x)$  and  $\mu \geq \nu_A(x)$ .

Clearly an intuitionistic fuzzy point can be represented by an ordered pair of fuzzy points as follows:

$$x_{(\lambda,\mu)} = (x_{\lambda}, 1 - x_{1-\mu})$$

We will denote the set of all IFPs in a set X as  $IF_P(X)$ .

**Definition 1.5[9].** Let A be an IFS in a set X and let  $(\lambda, \mu) \in I \times I$  with  $\lambda + \mu \leq 1$ . Then the set  $A^{(\lambda,\mu)} = \{x \in X : \mu_A(x) \geq \lambda \text{ and } \nu_A(x) \leq \mu\}$  is called a  $(\lambda, \mu)$ -level subset of A.

**Result 1.A[18, Theorem 2.4].** Let X be a set and let  $A \in IFS(X)$ . Then

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

In fact, it is not difficult to see that

$$A = \bigcup_{x \in A^{(0,1)}} x_{A(x)}.$$

# 2. Intuitionistic ideals generated by intuitionistic fuzzy sets

Let S be a semigroup. By a *subsemigroup* of S we mean a non-empty subset of A of S such that

$$A^2 \subset A$$

and by a left [resp. right] ideal of S we mean a non-empty subset A of S such that

$$SA \subset A$$
 [resp.  $AS \subset A$ ].

By two-sided ideal or simply ideal we mean a subset A of S which is both a left and a right ideal of S. We well denote the set of all left ideals [resp. right ideals and ideals] of S as LI(S) [resp. RI(S) and I(S)].

**Definition 2.1[9].** Let S be a semigroup and let  $0_{\sim} \neq A \in IFS(S)$ . Then A is called an:

(1) intuitionistic fuzzy subsemigroup (in short, IFSG) of S if

$$\mu_A(xy) \ge \mu_A(x) \wedge \mu_A(y)$$
 and  $\nu_A(xy) \le \nu_A(x) \vee \nu_A(y)$ 

for any  $x, y \in S$ ,

(2) intuitionistic fuzzy left ideal (in short, IFLI) of S if

$$\mu_A(xy) \ge \mu_A(y)$$
 and  $\nu_A(xy) \le \nu_A(y)$ 

for any  $x, y \in S$ ,

(3) intuitionistic fuzzy right ideal (in short, IFSG) of S if

$$\mu_A(xy) \ge \mu_A(x)$$
 and  $\nu_A(xy) \le \nu_A(x)$ 

for any  $x, y \in S$ ,

(4) intuitionistic fuzzy (two-sided) ideal (in short, IFI) of S if it is both an intuitionistic fuzzy left and an intuitionistic fuzzy right ideal of S.

We well denote the set of all IFSGs [resp. IFLIs, IFRIs and IFIs] of S as IFSG(S) [resp. IFLI(S), IFRI(S) and IFI(S)]. It is clear that  $A \in$  IFI(S) if and only if  $\mu_A(xy) \ge \mu_A(x) \lor \mu_A(y)$  and  $\nu_A(xy) \le \nu_A \land \nu_A(y)$  for any  $x,y \in S$ , and if  $A \in$  IFLI(S)[resp. IFRI(S) and IFI(S)], then  $A \in$  IFSG(S).

Result 2.A[9, Proposition 3.7 and 14, Proposition 2.3]. Let S be a semigroup and let  $(\lambda, \mu) \in I \times I$  with  $\lambda + \mu \leq 1$ . Then  $A \in IFSG(S)$  [resp. IFI(S), IFLI(S) and IFRI(S)] if and only if  $A^{(\lambda,\mu)}$  is a subsemigroup [resp. ideal, left ideal and right ideal] of S.

It is well-known[4] that I is complete completely distributive lattice. Thus we have the following result.

**Proposition 2.2.** Let S be a semigroup. Then IFI(S) is a complete completely distributive lattice with with respect to the meet " $\cap$ " and the union " $\cup$ ".

*Proof.* Let  $\{A_{\alpha}\}_{{\alpha}\in\Gamma}\subset \mathrm{IFI}(S)$ , where  $\Gamma$  denotes the index set. Let  $x,y\in S$ . Then

$$\begin{split} \mu_{\cup_{\alpha\in\Gamma}A_{\alpha}}(xy) &= \bigvee_{\alpha\in\Gamma}\mu_{A_{\alpha}}(xy) \\ &\geq \bigvee_{\alpha\in\Gamma}[\mu_{A_{\alpha}}(x)\vee\mu_{A_{\alpha}}(y)] \ \ (\text{Since } A_{\alpha}\in \text{IFI}(S) \text{ for each } \alpha\in\Gamma) \\ &= (\bigvee_{\alpha\in\Gamma}\mu_{A_{\alpha}}(x))\vee(\bigvee_{\alpha\in\Gamma}\mu_{A_{\alpha}}(y)) = (\mu_{\cup_{\alpha\in\Gamma}A_{\alpha}}(x))\vee(\mu_{\cup_{\alpha\in\Gamma}A_{\alpha}}(y)) \end{split}$$
 and

$$\begin{split} \nu_{\cup_{\alpha\in\Gamma}A_{\alpha}}(xy) &= \bigwedge_{\alpha\in\Gamma}\nu_{A_{\alpha}}(xy) \leq \bigwedge_{\alpha\in\Gamma}[\nu_{A_{\alpha}}(x)\wedge\nu_{A_{\alpha}}(y)] \\ &= (\bigwedge_{\alpha\in\Gamma}\nu_{A_{\alpha}}(x))\wedge(\bigwedge_{\alpha\in\Gamma}\nu_{A_{\alpha}}(y)) = (\nu_{\cup_{\alpha\in\Gamma}A_{\alpha}}(x))\wedge(\nu_{\cup_{\alpha\in\Gamma}A_{\alpha}}(y)). \end{split}$$
 Also,

$$\mu_{\cap_{\alpha\in\Gamma}A_{\alpha}}(xy) = \bigwedge_{\alpha\in\Gamma}\mu_{A_{\alpha}}(xy)$$

$$= \bigwedge_{\alpha\in\Gamma}[\mu_{A_{\alpha}}(x)\vee\mu_{A_{\alpha}}(y)] \text{ (Since } A_{\alpha}\in\mathrm{IFI}(S) \text{ for each } \alpha\in\Gamma)$$

$$\geq (\bigwedge_{\alpha\in\Gamma}\mu_{A_{\alpha}}(x))\vee(\bigwedge_{\alpha\in\Gamma}\mu_{A_{\alpha}}(y)) = (\mu_{\cap_{\alpha\in\Gamma}A_{\alpha}}(x))\vee(\mu_{\cap_{\alpha\in\Gamma}A_{\alpha}}(y))$$
and

$$\begin{split} \nu_{\cap_{\alpha\in\Gamma}A_{\alpha}}(xy) &= \bigvee_{\alpha\in\Gamma}\nu_{A_{\alpha}}(xy) = \bigvee_{\alpha\in\Gamma}[\nu_{A_{\alpha}}(x)\vee\nu_{A_{\alpha}}(y)] \\ &\leq (\bigvee_{\alpha\in\Gamma}\nu_{A_{\alpha}}(x))\vee(\bigvee_{\alpha\in\Gamma}\nu_{A_{\alpha}}(y)) = (\nu_{\cap_{\alpha\in\Gamma}A_{\alpha}}(x))\vee(\nu_{\cap_{\alpha\in\Gamma}A_{\alpha}}(y)). \\ \text{Hence } \cup_{\alpha\in\Gamma}A_{\alpha}, \ \cap_{\alpha\in\Gamma}A_{\alpha}\in \mathrm{IFI}(S). \ \text{This completes the proof.} \end{split}$$

**Definition 2.3.** Let S be a semigroup and let  $A \in IFS(S)$ . Then the least IFLI[resp. IFRI and IFI] of S containing A is called the IFLI[resp. IFRI and IFI] of S generated by A and is denoted by  $(A)_L[resp. (A)_R]$  and  $(A)_L[resp. (A)_R]$ .

**Lemma 2.4.** Let X be a set, let  $A \in IFS(X)$  and let  $x \in X$ . Then  $A(x) = (\bigvee_{x \in A^{(\lambda,\mu)}} \lambda, \bigwedge_{x \in A^{(\lambda,\mu)}} \mu)$ , where  $\lambda, \mu \in I$  with  $\lambda + \mu \leq 1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\lambda_0 = \bigvee_{x \in A^{(\lambda,\mu)}} \lambda$ , let  $\mu_0 = \bigwedge_{x \in A^{(\lambda,\mu)}} \mu$  and let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Then  $\bigvee_{x \in A^{(\lambda,\mu)}} \lambda > \lambda_0 - \varepsilon$  and  $\bigwedge_{x \in A^{(\lambda,\mu)}} \mu < \mu_0 + \varepsilon$ . Thus there exists  $(s,t) \in \{(\lambda,\mu) : x \in A^{(\lambda,\mu)}\}$  such that  $s > \lambda_0 - \varepsilon$  and  $t < \mu_0 + \varepsilon$ . Since  $x \in A^{(\lambda,\mu)}$ ,  $\mu_A(x) \geq \lambda$  and  $\nu_A(x) \leq \mu$ . Then  $\mu_A(x) > \lambda_0 - \varepsilon$  and  $\nu_A(x) < \mu_0 + \varepsilon$ . Since  $\varepsilon$  is an arbitrary real number,  $\mu_A(x) \geq \lambda_0$  and  $\nu_A(x) \leq \mu_0$ . On the other hand, let A(x) = (s,t). Then  $x \in A^{(s,t)}$ . Thus  $(s,t) \in \{(\lambda,\mu) : x \in A^{(\lambda,\mu)}\}$ . So  $s \leq \bigvee_{x \in A^{(\lambda,\mu)}} \lambda$  and  $t \geq \bigwedge_{x \in A^{(\lambda,\mu)}} \mu$ , i.e.,  $\mu_A(x) = s \leq \lambda_0$  and  $\nu_A(x) = t \geq \mu_0$ . Hence  $A(x) = (\mu_A(x), \nu_A(x)) = (\lambda_0, \mu_0)$ .

**Theorem 2.5.** Let S be a semigroup, let  $A \in IFS(S)$  and let  $(\lambda, \mu) \in I \times I$  with  $\lambda + \mu \leq 1$ . We define a complex mapping  $A^* = (\mu_{A^*}, \nu_{A^*}) : S \to I \times I$  as follows: for each  $x \in S$ 

$$A^*(x) = (\bigvee_{x \in (A^{(\lambda,\mu)})} \lambda, \bigwedge_{x \in (A^{(\lambda,\mu)})} \mu).$$

Then  $A^* = (A)$ , where  $(A^{(\lambda,\mu)})$  denotes the ideal generated by  $A^{(\lambda,\mu)}$ .

*Proof.* For each  $x \in S$ , let  $(s,t) \in \{(\lambda,\mu) : x \in A^{(\lambda,\mu)}\}$ . Then  $x \in A^{(s,t)}$ . Thus  $x \in (A^{(s,t)})$ . So  $(s,t) \in \{(\lambda,\mu) : x \in (A^{(\lambda,\mu)})\}$ , i.e.,  $\{(\lambda,\mu) : x \in A^{(\lambda,\mu)}\} \subset \{(\lambda,\mu) : x \in (A^{(\lambda,\mu)})\}$ . Then, by Lemma 2.4,

$$\mu_A(x) = \bigvee_{x \in A^{(\lambda,\mu)}} \lambda \le \bigvee_{x \in (A^{(\lambda,\mu)})} \lambda = \mu_{A^*}(x)$$

and

$$\nu_A(x) = \bigwedge_{x \in A^{(\lambda,\nu)}} \mu \ge \bigwedge_{x \in (A^{(\lambda,\nu)})} \mu = \nu_{A^*}(x).$$
  
So  $A \subset A^*$ .

For each  $(s,t) \in \text{Im } A^*$ , let  $s_n = s - \frac{1}{n}$  and  $t_n = t + \frac{1}{n}$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $x \in A^{*(s,t)}$ . Then  $\mu_{A^*}(x) \geq s$  and  $\nu_{A^*}(x) \leq t$ . Thus, for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ 

$$\bigvee_{x \in (A^{(\lambda,\mu)})} \lambda \ge s > s - \frac{1}{n} = s_n$$

and

$$\bigwedge_{x \in (A^{(\lambda,\mu)})} \mu \le t < t + \frac{1}{n} = t_n.$$

So there exists a  $(\lambda_n, \mu_n) \in \{(\lambda, \mu) : x \in (A^{(\lambda, \mu)})\}$  such that  $\lambda_n > s_n$  and  $\mu_n < t_n$ . Then  $A^{(\lambda_n, \mu_n)} \subset A^{(s_n, t_n)}$ . So  $x \in (A^{(\lambda_n, \mu_n)}) \subset (A^{(s_n, t_n)})$ . Consequently, we have  $x \in \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} (A^{(s_n, t_n)})$ . Now let  $x \in \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} (A^{(s_n, t_n)})$ . Then clearly  $(s_n, t_n) \in \{(\lambda, \mu) : x \in (A^{(\lambda, \mu)})\}$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Thus for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$s - \frac{1}{n} = s_n \le \bigvee_{x \in (A^{(\lambda,\mu)})} \lambda = \mu_{A^*}(x)$$

and

$$t + \frac{1}{n} = t_n \ge \bigwedge_{x \in (A^{(\lambda,\mu)})} \mu = \nu_{A^*}(x).$$

Since n is an arbitrary positive integer,  $s \leq \mu_{A^*}(x)$  and  $t \geq \nu_{A^*}(x)$ . Thus  $(s,t) \in A^{*(s,t)}$ . So  $A^{*(s,t)} = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} (A^{(s_n,t_n)})$ . It is clear that  $\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} (A^{(s_n,t_n)})$  is an ideal of S. So, by Result 2.A,  $A^* \in IFI(S)$ .

Now let  $B \in \text{IFI}(S)$  such that  $A \subset B$  and let  $x \in S$ . If  $A^*(x) = (0,1)$ , then clearly  $\mu_{A^*}(x) \leq \mu_B(x)$  and  $\nu_{A^*}(x) \geq \nu_B(x)$ , i.e.,  $A^* \subset B$ . If  $A^*(x)(s,t) \neq (0,1)$ , then  $x \in A^{*(s,t)} = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} (A^{(s_n,t_n)})$ . Thus  $x \in (A^{(s_n,t_n)}) = A^{(s_n,t_n)}S \cup SA^{(s_n,t_n)}S \cup A^{(s_n,t_n)}S \cup A^{(s_n,t_n)}$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . We consider the following cases:

Case (i): Suppose  $x \in A^{(s_n,t_n)}$ . Then clearly for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ 

$$s_n \le \mu_A(x) \le \mu_B(x)$$
 and  $t_n \ge \nu_A(x) \ge \nu_B(x)$ .

Case (ii): Suppose  $x \in A^{(s_n,t_n)}S$ . Then there exist  $a \in A^{(s_n,t_n)}$  and  $b \in S$  such that x = ab. Thus for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ 

$$s_n \le \mu_A(a) \le \mu_B(a) \le \mu_B(ab) = \mu_B(x)$$
and 
$$t_n \ge \nu_A(a) \ge \nu_B(a) \ge \nu_B(ab) = \nu_B(x).$$

Case (iii): Suppose  $x \in SA^{(s_n,t_n)}$ . Then, by the similar arguments of Case (ii), we have  $\mu_B(x) \geq s_n$  and  $\nu_B(x) \leq t_n$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Case (iv): Suppose  $x \in SA^{(s_n,t_n)}S$ . Then there exist  $a \in A^{(s_n,t_n)}$  and  $b \in S$  such that x = abc. Since  $B \in IFI(S)$ , for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ 

$$s_n \le \mu_A(a) \le \mu_B(a) \le \mu_B(x)$$
 and  $t_n \ge \nu_A(a) \ge \nu_B(a) \ge \nu_B(x)$ .

Since n is an arbitrary number in  $\mathbb{N}$ , in all,  $\mu_{A^*}(x) = s \leq \mu_B(x)$  and  $\nu_{A^*}(x) = t \geq \nu_B(x)$ . thus  $A^* \subset B$ . Hence  $A^* = (A)$ . This complete the proof.

Corollary 2.5. Let S be a semigroup and let  $x_{(\lambda,\mu)} \in \mathrm{IF}_P(S)$ . We define a complex mapping  $(x_{(\lambda,\mu)}): S \to I \times I$  as follows: for each  $x \in S$ ,

$$(x_{(\lambda,\mu)})(y) = \begin{cases} (\lambda,\mu) & \text{if } y \in (x), \\ (0,1) & \text{if } y \notin (x), \end{cases}$$

where (x) is the principal ideal of S generated by x. Then  $(x_{(\lambda,\mu)})$  is the IFI generated by  $x_{(\lambda,\mu)}$ . In this case,  $(x_{(\lambda,\mu)})$  is called the *intuitionistic* fuzzy principal ideal(in short, IFPI) of S generated by  $x_{(\lambda,\mu)}$ .

*Proof.* By Theorem 2.5,  $(x_{(\lambda,\mu)})(y) = (\bigvee_{z \in (A^{(s,t)})} s, \bigwedge_{z \in (A^{(s,t)})} t)$  for each  $y \in S$ .

Case (i): Suppose  $y \in (x)$ . Let  $(s,t) \in (0,\lambda] \times [\mu,1)$ . Then  $A^{(s,t)} = \{z \in S : \mu_{x_{(\lambda,\mu)}}(z) \geq s, \ \nu_{x_{(\lambda,\mu)}}(z) \leq t\} = \{x\}$ . Thus  $y \in (x) = (A^{(s,t)})$ . If  $s > \lambda$  and  $t < \mu$ , then clearly  $x_{(\lambda,\mu)} = (0,1)$ . So

$$(x_{(\lambda,\mu)})(y) = (\bigvee_{z \in (A^{(s,t)})} s, \bigwedge_{z \in (A^{(s,t)})} t) = (\bigvee_{0 < s \le \lambda} s, \bigwedge_{\mu \le t < 1} t) = (\lambda,\mu).$$

Case (ii): Suppose  $y \notin (x)$ . Assume that  $(x_{(\lambda,\mu)})(y) \neq (0,1)$ . Then there exists  $(s,t) \in (0,1] \times [0,1)$  with  $s+t \leq 1$  such that  $y \in (A^{(s,t)})$ . Since  $A^{(s,t)} \neq (0,1)$ , by Case (i),  $s \leq \lambda$  and  $t \geq \mu$ . Thus  $A^{(\lambda,\mu)} = \{x\}$ . So  $y \in (A^{(s,t)}) = (x)$ . This is a contradiction. Thus  $(x_{(\lambda,\mu)})(y) = (0,1)$ . Hence  $(x_{(\lambda,\mu)})$  is well-defined.

The following is an easy modification of Theorem 2.5.

**Theorem 2.6.** Let S be a semigroup and let  $A \in IFS(S)$ . We define a complex mapping  $A^*: S \to I \times I$  as follows: for each  $x \in S$ ,

$$A^*(x) = (\bigvee_{x \in (A^{(\lambda,\mu)})_L} \lambda, \bigwedge_{x \in (A^{(\lambda,\mu)})_L} \mu).$$

Then  $A^* = (A)_L$ , where  $(A^{(\lambda,\mu)})_L$  denotes the left ideal generated by  $A^{(\lambda,\mu)}$ .

**Corollary 2.6.** Let S be a semigroup and let  $x_{(\lambda,\mu)} \in \operatorname{IF}_P(S)$ . We define two complex mappings  $(x_{(\lambda,\mu)})_L : S \to I \times I$  and  $(x_{(\lambda,\mu)})_R : S \to I \times I$  as follows, respectively: for each  $y \in S$ ,

$$(x_{(\lambda,\mu)})_L(y) = \begin{cases} (\lambda,\mu) & \text{if } y \in (x)_L, \\ (0,1) & \text{if } y \notin (x)_L, \end{cases}$$

and

$$(x_{(\lambda,\mu)})_R(y) = \begin{cases} (\lambda,\mu) & \text{if } y \in (x)_R, \\ (0,1) & \text{if } y \notin (x)_R. \end{cases}$$

Then  $(x_{(\lambda,\mu)})_L[\text{resp. }(x_{(\lambda,\mu)})_R)$  is the IFLI[resp. IFRI] of S generated by  $x_{(\lambda,\mu)}$  in S. In this case,  $(x_{(\lambda,\mu)})_L[\text{resp. }(x_{(\lambda,\mu)})_R]$  is called the *intuitionistic fuzzy principal left* [resp. right]ideal(in short, IFPLI[resp. IFPRI]) generated by  $x_{(\lambda,\mu)}$ .

*Proof.* The proofs are similar to the case of Corollary 2.5. So we omit.  $\hfill\Box$ 

**Remark 2.7.** As the dual of Theorem 2.6,  $(A)_R$  can be characterized by  $(A)_R(x) = (\bigvee_{x \in (A^{(\lambda,\mu)})_R} \lambda, \bigwedge_{x \in (A^{(\lambda,\mu)})_R} \mu)$  for each  $x \in S$ , where  $(A^{(\lambda,\mu)})_R$  denotes the right ideal generated by  $A^{(\lambda,\mu)}$ .

A nonempty subset A of a semigroup S is called a *bi-ideal* of S if  $A^2 \subset A$  and  $ASA \subset A$ . We will denote the set of all bi-ideals of S as BI(S).

**Definition 2.8[14].** Let S be a semigroup and let  $0_{\sim} \neq A \in IFS(S)$ . Then A is called an *intuitionistic fuzzy bi-ideal* (in short, IFBI) of S if it satisfies the following conditions: for any  $x, y, z \in S$ .

- (i)  $\mu_A(xy) \ge \mu_A(x) \wedge \mu_A(y)$  and  $\nu_A(xy) \le \nu_A(x) \vee \nu_A(y)$
- (ii)  $\mu_A(xyz) \ge \mu_A(x) \wedge \mu_A(z)$  and  $\nu_A(xyz) \le \nu_A(x) \vee \nu_A(z)$ .

We will denote the set of all IFBIs of S as IFBI(S).

**Result 2.B[14, Proposition 2.8].** Let S be a semigroup and let  $A \in IFS(S)$ . Then  $A \in IFBI(S)$  if and only if  $A^{(\lambda,\mu)} \in BI(S)$  for each  $(\lambda,\mu) \in I \times I$  with  $\lambda + \mu \leq 1$ .

Let A be a subset of a semigroup S. Then it is not difficult to see that the bi-ideal  $(A)_B$  generated by A in S is  $A \cup A^2 \cup ASA$ .

The following can be shown by the above comment, Result 2.B and a moderate modification of Theorem 2.5.

**Theorem 2.9.** Let S be a semigroup and let  $A \in IFS(S)$ . We define a complex mapping  $A^*: S \to I \times I$  as follows: for each  $x \in S$ ,

$$A^*(x) = (\bigvee_{x \in (A^{(\lambda,\mu)})_B} \lambda, \bigwedge_{x \in (A^{(\lambda,\mu)})_B} \mu).$$

Then  $A^* = (A)_B$ , where  $(A)_B$  denotes the IFBI generated by A.

Corollary 2.9. Let S be a semigroup and let  $x_{(\lambda,\mu)} \in \mathrm{IF}_P(S)$ . We define two complex mappings  $(x_{(\lambda,\mu)})_B : S \to I \times I$  as follows, respectively: for each  $y \in S$ ,

$$(x_{(\lambda,\mu)})_B(y) = \begin{cases} (\lambda,\mu) & \text{if } y \in (x)_B, \\ (0,1) & \text{if } y \notin (x)_B. \end{cases}$$

Then  $(x_{(\lambda,\mu)})_B$  is the IFBI of S generated by  $x_{(\lambda,\mu)}$  in S. In this case,  $(x_{(\lambda,\mu)})_B$  is called the *intuitionistic fuzzy principal bi-ideal*(in short, IF-PBI) generated by  $x_{(\lambda,\mu)}$ .

*Proof.* The proofs is similar to the case of Corollary 2.5. So we omit.  $\Box$ 

It is well-known that every ideal of a semigroup S is the union of some principal ideals of S. Similarly, we have the following result.

**Theorem 2.10.** Let S be a semigroup. Then every IFI of S is the union of some IFPIs of S.

*Proof.* Let  $A \in IFI(S)$ . Then, by Result 1.A,

$$A = \bigcup_{x_{(\lambda,\mu)} \in A} x_{(\lambda,\mu)} = \bigcup_{x \in A^{(0,1)}} x_{A(x)}.$$

Let  $y \in S$ .

Case (i) : Suppose  $A(y) \neq (0, 1)$ . Then

$$\begin{split} (\bigcup_{x \in A^{(0,1)}} x_{A(x)})(y) &= (\bigcup_{y \in (z), z \in A^{(0,1)}} (z_{A(z)}))(y) \\ &= (\bigvee_{y \in (z), z \in A^{(0,1)}} \mu_{A(z)}, \bigwedge_{y \in (z), z \in A^{(0,1)}} \nu_{A(z)}). \end{split}$$

If  $z \neq y$ , then there exist  $a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2 \in S$  such that  $y = za_1$  or  $y = a_2z$  or  $y = b_1zb_2$ . For any cases, since  $A \in IFI(S)$ ,  $\mu_A(y) \geq \mu_a(z)$  and  $\nu_A(y) \leq \nu_a(z)$ . Thus

$$(\bigcup_{x \in A^{(0,1)}} x_{A(x)})(y) = (\bigvee_{y \in (z), z \in A^{(0,1)}} \mu_{A(z)}, \bigwedge_{y \in (z), z \in A^{(0,1)}} \nu_{A(z)})$$
$$= (\mu_A(y), \nu_A(y)) = A(y).$$

Case (ii): Suppose A(y) = (0,1). Assume that there exists  $z \in A^{(0,1)}$  such that  $y \in (z)$ . Then  $\mu_A(y) \ge \mu_A(z)$  and  $\nu_A(y) \le \nu_A(z)$  as above. Thus  $A(y) \ne (0,1)$ . This is a contradiction. Then  $y \notin (z)$  for each  $z \in A^{(0,1)}$ . So

$$A(y) = (\bigcup_{x \in A^{(0,1)}} (x_{A(x)}))(y) = (0,1).$$

Hence, in all,  $A = \bigcup_{x \in A^{(0,1)}} x_{A(x)}$ . This completes the proof.

# 3. Some special cases

In this case, we study intuitionistic fuzzy ideal generated by an IFS A in  $S^1$ .

**Theorem 3.1.** Let S be a semigroup and let  $A \in IFS(S^1)$ . Then

$$(A)(a) = (\bigvee_{\substack{a = x_1 x_2 x_3 \\ x_1, x_2, x_3 \in S^1}} \mu_A(x_2), \bigwedge_{\substack{a = x_1 x_2 x_3 \\ x_1, x_2, x_3 \in S^1}} \nu_A(x_2)) \text{ for each } a \in S.$$

*Proof.* Let  $a \in S$  such that  $a = x_1x_2x_3$  for some  $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in S^1$  and let  $A(x_2) = (s, t)$ . Then  $x_2 \in A^{(s,t)}$ . Thus  $a \in (A^{(s,t)})$ . So  $A(x_2) \in \{(s,t): a \in (A^{(s,t)})\}$ . By theorem 2.5,

$$\mu_{(A)}(a) = \bigvee_{a \in (A^{(s,t)})} s \ge \bigvee_{\substack{a=x_1x_2x_3\\x_1,x_2,x_3 \in S^1}} \mu_A(x_2)$$
(\*)

and

$$\nu_{(A)}(a) = \bigwedge_{a \in (A^{(s,t)})} t \le \bigwedge_{\substack{a = x_1 x_2 x_3 \\ x_1, x_2, x_3 \in S^1}} \nu_A(x_2).$$

On the other hand, let  $(\lambda, \mu) \in \{(s, t) : a \in (A^{(s,t)})\}$ . Then clearly  $a \in (A^{(\lambda,\mu)})$ . Thus there exist  $x_1, x_3 \in S^1$  and  $x_2 \in A^{(\lambda,\mu)}$  such that  $a = x_1x_2x_3$ . Since  $x_2 \in A^{(\lambda,\mu)}$ ,  $\mu_A(x_2) \ge \lambda$  and  $\nu_A(x_2) \le \mu$ . Then

$$\mu_A(a) = \bigvee_{a \in (A^{(s,t)})} s \le \bigvee_{\substack{a = x_1 x_2 x_3 \\ x_1, x_2, x_3 \in S^1}} \mu_A(x_2)$$

$$(*')$$

and

$$\nu_A(a) = \bigwedge_{a \in (A^{(s,t)})} t \ge \bigwedge_{\substack{a = x_1 x_2 x_3 \\ x_1, x_2, x_3 \in S^1}} \nu_A(x_2).$$

Hence, by (\*) and (\*'),

$$A(a) = \left( \bigvee_{\substack{a = x_1 x_2 x_3 \\ x_1, x_2, x_3 \in S^1}} \mu_A(x_2), \bigwedge_{\substack{a = x_1 x_2 x_3 \\ x_1, x_2, x_3 \in S^1}} \nu_A(x_2) \right).$$

This completes the proof.

**Remark 3.2.** By theorem 2.5 and its dual, we can easily obtain  $(A)_L[\text{resp. }(A)_R]$  generated by A in  $S^1$  defined by

$$A_L(a) = (\bigvee_{\substack{a=x_1x_2\\x_1,x_2 \in S^1}} \mu_A(x_2), \bigwedge_{\substack{a=x_1x_2\\x_1,x_2 \in S^1}} \nu_A(x_2))$$

[resp.  $A_R(a) = (\bigvee_{\substack{a=x_1x_2 \\ x_1, x_2 \in S^1}} \mu_A(x_1), \bigwedge_{\substack{a=x_1x_2 \\ x_1, x_2 \in S^1}} \nu_A(x_1))$ ], for each  $a \in S$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** Let S be a regular semigroup and let  $A \in IFS(S^1)$ . Then

$$(A)_B(a) = (\bigvee_{\substack{a = x_1 x_2 x_3 \\ x_1, x_2, x_3 \in S^1}} [\mu_A(x_1) \wedge \mu_A(x_3)], \bigwedge_{\substack{a = x_1 x_2 x_3 \\ x_1, x_2, x_3 \in S^1}} [\nu_A(x_1) \vee \nu_A(x_3)])$$

for each  $a \in S$ .

*Proof.* Let  $a \in S$  such that  $a = x_1x_2x_3$  for some  $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in S^1$  and let  $(s,t) = (\mu_A(x_1) \wedge \mu_A(x_3), \nu_A(x_1) \vee \nu_A(x_3))$ . Then clearly  $x_1, x_3 \in A^{(s,t)}$ . Thus  $a \in (A^{(s,t)})_B$ . So  $(\mu_A(x_1) \wedge \mu_A(x_3), \nu_A(x_1) \vee \nu_A(x_3)) \in \{(s,t) : a \in (A^{(s,t)})_B\}$ . By theorem 2.9,

$$\mu_{(A^{(s,t)})_B}(a) = \bigvee_{a \in (A^{(s,t)})_B} s \ge \bigvee_{\substack{a=x_1x_2x_3\\x_1,x_2,x_3 \in S^1}} [\mu_A(x_1) \wedge \mu_A(x_3)]$$

$$(**)$$

and

$$\nu_{(A^{(s,t)})_B}(a) = \bigwedge_{a \in (A^{(s,t)})_B} t \le \bigwedge_{\substack{a = x_1 x_2 x_3 \\ x_1, x_2, x_3 \in S^1}} [\nu_A(x_1) \vee \nu_A(x_3)].$$

Now let  $(\lambda, \mu) \in \{(s, t) : a \in (A^{(s,t)})_B\}$ . Then

 $a = (A^{(s,t)})_B = A^{(s,t)} \cup A^{(s,t)} A^{(s,t)} \cup A^{(s,t)} S^1 A^{(s,t)} = A^{(s,t)} \cup A^{(s,t)} S^1 A^{(s,t)}.$  Since  $S^1$  is regular,  $A^{(s,t)} \subset A^{(s,t)} S^1 A^{(s,t)}$ . Then  $a \in (A^{(s,t)})_B = A^{(s,t)} S^1 A^{(s,t)}$ . Thus there exist  $x_1, x_2 \in A^{(s,t)}$  and  $x_2 \in S^1$  such that  $a = x_1 x_2 x_3$ . Since  $x_1, x_3 \in A^{(s,t)}, \ \mu_A(x_1) \geq s, \ \nu_A(x_1) \leq t \ \text{and} \ \mu_A(x_3) \geq s, \ \nu_A(x_3) \leq t$ . Then  $\mu_A(x_1) \wedge \mu_A(x_3) \geq s, \ \nu_A(x_1) \vee \nu_A(x_3) \leq t$ . Thus

$$\mu_{(A^{(s,t)})_B}(a) = \bigvee_{a \in (A^{(s,t)})_B} s \le \bigvee_{\substack{a = x_1 x_2 x_3 \\ x_1, x_2, x_3 \in S^1}} [\mu_A(x_1) \wedge \mu_A(x_3)]$$

$$(**')$$

$$\nu_{(A^{(s,t)})_B}(a) = \bigwedge_{a \in (A^{(s,t)})_B} t \ge \bigwedge_{\substack{a = x_1 x_2 x_3 \\ x_1, x_2, x_3 \in S^1}} [\nu_A(x_1) \vee \nu_A(x_3)].$$

Hence, by (\*\*) and (\*\*'),

and

$$(A^{(s,t)})_B(a) = (\bigvee_{\substack{a = x_1 x_2 x_3 \\ x_1, x_2, x_3 \in S^1}} [\mu_A(x_1) \wedge \mu_A(x_3)], \bigwedge_{\substack{a = x_1 x_2 x_3 \\ x_1, x_2, x_3 \in S^1}} [\nu_A(x_1) \vee \nu_A(x_3)]).$$

This completes the proof.

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