

ON INTUITIONISTIC FUZZY H-IDEALS IN BCI- ALGEBRAS

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Abstract

The aim of this paper is to introduce the notion of H-ideals in BCI- algebras and to investigate some of their properties..

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1.Introduction

The notion of BCK-algebras was introduced by Imai and Iseki in 1966.In the same year, Iseki[5] introduced the notion of a BCI-algebra which is a generalization of a BCK-algebra. After the introduction of the concept of fuzzy sets by L.A. Zadeh [9] ,several researches were conducted on the generalization of the fuzzy sets. Y. B. Jun and J. Meng [7] introduced fuzzy p-ideals in BCI-algebras and studied several properties. H.M. Khalid and B.Ahmad [8] introduced fuzzy H-ideals in BCI-algebras.The idea of intuitionistic fuzzy set was first introduced by K.T. Atanassov [2,3], as a generalization of the notion of fuzzy set. In this paper using Atanassov's idea ,we establish the intuitionistic fuzzification of the concept of H-ideals in BCI-algebras and investigate some of their properties .

2.Preliminaries

In this section we include some elementary definitions that are necessary for this paper.

Definition 2.1 [4] An algebra $(X, *, 0)$ of type $(2,0)$ is called a BCI-algebra if it satisfies the following axioms:

- (1) $((x*y)*(x*z))*(z*y) = 0$,
- (2) $(x*(x*y))*y = 0$,
- (3) $x * x = 0$,
- (4) $x * y = 0$ and $y * x = 0$ imply $x = y$, for all $x, y, z \in X$.

In a BCI-algebra X , we can define a partial ordering " \leq " by putting $x \leq y$ if and only if $x*y = 0$

In a BCI- algebra X ,the following hold :

- (5) $(x * z)*(y * z) \leq x*y$,
- (6) $x * (x * (x * y)) = x*y$,
- (7) $0*(x*y) = (0*x)*(0*y)$,
- (8) $x*0 = x$,
- (9) $(x*y)*z = (x*z)*y$,
- (10) $x \leq y$ implies $x*z \leq y*z$ and $z*y \leq z*x$, for all $x, y, z \in X$.

Example 2.2. The set $X = \{ 0, 1, 2, 3 \}$ with the following Cayley table is a BCI - algebra .

*	0	1	2	3
0	0	0	0	3
1	1	0	0	3
2	2	2	0	3
3	3	3	3	0

Throughout this paper X always means a BCI-algebra without any specification.

Definition 2.3. A non- empty subset A of X is called an ideal of X if

- (1) $0 \in A$,
- (2) $x * y \in A$ and $y \in A$ imply $x \in A$.

Definition 2.4 . A non- empty subset A of X is called an H-ideal of X if

- (3) $0 \in A$,
- (4) $x * (y * z) \in A$ and $y \in A$ imply $x * z \in A$.

If we put $z = 0$,then it follows that A is an ideal.

Definition 2.5 [9]. Let X be a non-empty set. A fuzzy set μ in X is a function

$$\mu : X \rightarrow [0, 1].$$

Definition 2.6 [6] Let μ be a fuzzy set in X . For $t \in [0,1]$,the set $\mu_t = \{ x \in X \mid \mu(x) \geq t \}$ is called a level subset of μ .

Definition 2.7 [6] A fuzzy set μ in X is called a fuzzy ideal of X if for all $x, y \in X$ we have

- (1) $\mu(0) \geq \mu(x)$,
- (2) $\mu(x) \geq \min\{ \mu(x * y), \mu(y) \}$.

Definition 2.8 [6]. A fuzzy set μ in X is called a fuzzy H-ideal of X if for all $x, y, z \in X$,

- (1) $\mu(0) \geq \mu(x)$,
- (2) $\mu(x * z) \geq \min\{ \mu(x * (y * z)), \mu(y) \}$.

Definition 2.9 [2]. An intuitionistic fuzzy set (IFS) A in a non empty set X is an object having the form $A = \{ < x, \mu_A(x), v_A(x) > / x \in X \}$, where the functions $\mu_A : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ and $v_A : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ denote the degree of membership and the degree of non membership of each element $x \in X$ to the set A , respectively, and $0 \leq \mu_A(x) + v_A(x) \leq 1$ for all $x \in X$.

Notation: For the sake of simplicity, we shall use the symbol $A = < \mu_A, v_A >$ for the IFS $A = \{ < x, \mu_A(x), v_A(x) > / x \in X \}$.

Definition 2.10 [2]. Let A be an intuitionistic fuzzy set of a set X . For each pair $< t, s > \in [0, 1]$, the set $A_{<t, s>} = \{ x \in X : \mu_A(x) \geq t \text{ and } v_A(x) \leq s \}$ is called the level subset of A .

Definition 2.11 [2]. Let A be an IFS in X and let $t \in [0, 1]$. Then the sets $U(\mu_A; t) = \{ x \in X : \mu_A(x) \geq t \}$ and $L(v_A, t) = \{ x \in X : v_A(x) \leq t \}$ are called a μ -level t -cut and v - level t -cut of A , respectively.

3. Intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideals

Definition 3.1 An intuitionistic fuzzy set A in X is called an intuitionistic fuzzy H- ideal of X if for all $x, y \in X$ we have

- (1) $\mu_A(0) \geq \mu_A(x)$,
- (2) $v_A(0) \leq v_A(x)$,
- (3) $\mu_A(x * z) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x * (y * z)), \mu_A(y)\}$,
- (4) $v_A(x * z) \leq \max\{v_A(x * (y * z)), v_A(y)\}$.

Example 3.2. Let $X = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ with the following Cayley table be a BCI algebra.

*	0	1	2	3
0	0	0	0	3
1	1	0	0	3
2	2	2	0	3
3	3	3	3	0

Let $A = < \mu_A, v_A >$ be an IFS in X defined by

$\mu_A(0) = \mu_A(2) = 0.9$, $\mu_A(1) = \mu_A(3) = 0.09$ and $v_A(1) = v_A(3) = 0.9$ and $v_A(0) = v_A(2) = 0.09$. Then A is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of X.

Proposition 1. Every intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal is an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal.

Theorem 3.3. Let $A = (\mu_A, v_A)$ in X be an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of X. If $x \leq y$, then $\mu_A(x) \geq \mu_A(y)$, $v_A(x) \leq v_A(y)$, that is, μ_A is order reversing and v_A is order preserving.

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

$x * y = 0$ and thus

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_A(x) &\geq \min\{\mu_A(x * y), \mu_A(y)\} \\ &= \min\{\mu_A(0), \mu_A(y)\} \\ &= \mu_A(y). \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} v_A(x) &\leq \max\{v_A(x * y), v_A(y)\} \\ &= \max\{v_A(0), v_A(y)\} \\ &= v_A(y). \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3.4. Let $A = (\mu_A, v_A)$ in X be an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of X. If $x * y \leq z$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_A(x) &\geq \min\{\mu_A(y), \mu_A(z)\} \\ v_A(x) &\leq \max\{v_A(y), v_A(z)\} \end{aligned}$$

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

$(x * y) * z = 0$ and thus

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_A(x) &\geq \min\{\mu_A(x * y), \mu_A(y)\} \\ &\geq \min\{\min\{\mu_A((x * y) * z), \mu_A(z)\}, \mu_A(y)\} \\ &= \min\{\min\{\mu_A(0), \mu_A(z)\}, \mu_A(y)\} \\ &= \min\{\mu_A(y), \mu_A(z)\} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_A(x) &\leq \max\{v_A(x*y), v_A(y)\} \\
 &\geq \max\{\max\{v_A((x*y)*z), v_A(z)\}, v_A(y)\} \\
 &= \max\{\max\{v_A(0), v_A(z)\}, v_A(y)\} \\
 &= \max\{v_A(y), v_A(z)\}
 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3.5. In an associative BCI-algebra X, every intuitionistic fuzzy ideal is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of X.

Proof. Let A be an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of X. Then

- (1) $\mu_A(0) \geq \mu_A(x)$,
- (2) $v_A(0) \leq v_A(x)$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Since } \min\{\mu_A(x*(y*z)), \mu_A(y)\} &= \min\{\mu_A(x*y)*z, \mu_A(y)\} \\
 &= \min\{\mu_A((x*z)*y), \mu_A(y)\} \\
 &\leq \mu_A(x*z)
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \max\{v_A(x*(y*z)), v_A(y)\} &= \max\{v_A(x*y)*z, v_A(y)\} \\
 &= \max\{v_A((x*z)*y), v_A(y)\} \\
 &\geq v_A(x*z)
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence A is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of X.

Theorem 3.6. An intuitionistic fuzzy set A of a BCI-algebra X is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of X if and only if for any $t, s \in [0, 1]$, the level subset $A_{t,s} = \{x \in X : \mu_A(x) \geq t \text{ and } v_A(x) \leq s\}$ is either empty or an H-ideal of X.

Proof. Assume that A is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of X. Then

$$\mu_A(0) \geq \mu_A(x) \text{ and } v_A(0) \leq v_A(x). \text{ Therefore } \mu_A(0) \geq \mu_A(x) \geq t$$

And $v_A(0) \leq v_A(x) \leq s$ for $t, s \in [0, 1]$ or $\mu_A(0) \geq t$ and $v_A(0) \leq s$ imply

$0 \in A_{t,s}$. Next, let $x*(y*z) \in A_{t,s}$ and $y \in A_{t,s}$. Then

$\mu_A(x*(y*z)) \geq t$, $\mu_A(y) \geq t$ and $v_A(x*(y*z)) \leq s$, $v_A(y) \leq s$. Since A is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of X,

$$\mu_A(x*z) \geq \min\{\mu_A(x*(y*z)), \mu_A(y)\} \geq t \text{ and } v_A(x*z) \leq \max\{v_A(x*(y*z)), v_A(y)\} \leq s$$

or $\mu_A(x*z) \geq t$ and $v_A(x*z) \leq s$ imply $x*z \in A_{t,s}$. This proves that the level set $A_{t,s}$ is an H-ideal of X.

Conversely, we will show that A is an intuitionistic fuzzy ideal of X.

Suppose $\mu_A(x_0) > \mu_A(0)$

and $v_A(x_0) < v_A(0)$ for some $x_0 \in X$. Put $t_0 = \frac{1}{2}[\mu_A(0) + \mu_A(x_0)]$ and

$$s_0 = \frac{1}{2}[v_A(0) + v_A(x_0)]. \text{ Then } \mu_A(0) < t_0 \text{ and } v_A(0) > s_0 \text{ and } 0 \leq t_0 < \mu_A(x_0) \leq 1,$$

$1 \geq s_0 > v_A(x_0) \geq 0$. This implies $x_0 \in A_{t_0, s_0}$ or $A_{t_0, s_0} \neq \emptyset$. As A_{t_0, s_0} is an H-ideal of X, we have $0 \in A_{t_0, s_0}$ and hence $\mu_A(0) \geq t_0$ and $v_A(x_0) \leq s_0$. This contradiction proves that

$$\mu_A(0) \geq \mu_A(x) \text{ and } v_A(x_0) \leq v_A(x) \text{ for all } x \in X.$$

$$\mu_A(x_0*z_0) < \min\{\mu_A(x_0*(y_0*z_0)), \mu_A(y_0)\} \text{ and } v_A(x_0*z_0) > \max\{v_A(x_0*(y_0*z_0)), v_A(y_0)\}$$

Put $t_1 = \frac{1}{2}[\mu_A(x_0*z_0) + \min\{\mu_A(x_0*(y_0*z_0)), \mu_A(y_0)\}]$ and

$$s_1 = \frac{1}{2}[v_A(x_0*z_0) + \max\{v_A(x_0*(y_0*z_0)), v_A(y_0)\}]. \text{ Then}$$

$$\mu_A(x_0*z_0) < t_1, v_A(x_0*z_0) > s_1 \text{ and } 0 \leq t_1 < \min\{\mu_A(x_0*(y_0*z_0)), \mu_A(y_0)\} \leq 1,$$

$1 \geq s_1 > \max\{v_A(x_0*(y_0*z_0)), v_A(y_0)\} \geq 0$ which gives $\mu_A(x_0*(y_0*z_0)) > t_1, \mu_A(y_0) > t_1$

and $v_A(x_0*(y_0*z_0)) < s_1$, $v_A(y_0) < s_1$. Therefore $x_0*(y_0*z_0) \in A_{t_1,s_1}$, $y_0 \in A_{t_1,s_1}$. Since A_{t_1,s_1} is an H-ideal, we have $x_0*z_0 \in A_{t_1,s_1}$ and hence $\mu_A(x_0*z_0) \geq t_1$ and $v_A(x_0*z_0) \leq s_1$, a contradiction. Hence the supposition is wrong.

This completes the proof.

Theorem 3.7. Let A be an intuitionistic fuzzy set of X. If A is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of X, then the set $X_A = \{x \in X \mid \mu_A(x) = \mu_A(0) \text{ and } v_A(x) = v_A(0)\}$ is an H-ideal of X.

Proof. Assume that A is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of X. Clearly $0 \in X_A$.

Let $x*(y*z) \in X_A$, $y \in X_A$. Since A is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal in X,

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_A(x*z) &\geq \min\{\mu_A(x*(y*z)), \mu_A(y)\} \\ &= \min\{\mu_A(0), \mu_A(0)\} \\ &= \mu_A(0)\end{aligned}$$

Or $\mu_A(x*z) \geq \mu_A(0)$. But $\mu_A(x*z) \leq \mu_A(0)$ and

$$\begin{aligned}v_A(x*z) &\leq \max\{v_A(x*(y*z)), v_A(y)\} \\ &= \max\{v_A(0), v_A(0)\} \\ &= v_A(0)\end{aligned}$$

Or $v_A(x*z) \leq v_A(0)$. But $v_A(x*z) \geq v_A(0)$. Hence $x*z \in X_A$. This proves that X_A is an H-ideal of X.

Hence the proof.

Definition 3.8. A mapping $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is called a BCI-homomorphism if $f(x*y) = f(x)*f(y)$ for all x, y in X. Note that in a BCI-homomorphism $f(0) = 0$

Theorem 3.9. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be an onto BCI-homomorphism. If an intuitionistic fuzzy set B of Y is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal, then the intuitionistic fuzzy subset $f^{-1}(B)$ of X is also an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal.

Proof. Let $y \in Y$. Since f is onto, there exists $x \in X$ such that $y = f(x)$. Since B is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of Y, it follows that $\mu_B(0) \geq \mu_B(y)$ and $v_B(0) \leq v_B(y)$ or

$\mu_B(f(0)) \geq \mu_B(f(x))$ and $v_B(f(0)) \leq v_B(f(x))$. Then by definition

$\mu_{f^{-1}(B)}(0) \geq \mu_{f^{-1}(B)}(x)$ and $v_{f^{-1}(B)}(0) \leq v_{f^{-1}(B)}(x)$ for all $x \in X$. Next, since B is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal, for any y_1, y_2, y_3 in Y, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_B(y_1*y_3) &\geq \min\{\mu_B(y_1*(y_2*y_3)), \mu_B(y_2)\} \\ \mu_B(f(x_1)*f(x_3)) &\geq \min\{\mu_B(f(x_1)*(f(x_2)*f(x_3))), \mu_B(x_2)\} \\ \mu_B(f(x_1*x_3)) &\geq \min\{\mu_B(f(x_1*(x_2*x_3))), \mu_B(x_2)\} \\ \mu_{f^{-1}(B)}(x_1*x_3) &\geq \min\{\mu_{f^{-1}(B)}(x_1*(x_2*x_3)), \mu_{f^{-1}(B)}(x_2)\}\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}v_B(y_1*y_3) &\leq \max\{v_B(y_1*(y_2*y_3)), v_B(y_2)\} \\ v_B(f(x_1*x_3)) &\leq \max\{v_B(f(x_1)*(f(x_2)*f(x_3))), v_B(f(x_2))\} \\ v_B(f(x_1)*f(x_3)) &\leq \max\{v_B(f(x_1*(x_2*x_3))), v_B(f(x_2))\} \\ v_{f^{-1}(B)}(x_1*x_3) &\leq \max\{v_{f^{-1}(B)}(x_1*(x_2*x_3)), v_{f^{-1}(B)}(x_2)\}\end{aligned}$$

which proves that $f^{-1}(B)$ is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of X.

This completes the proof.

Definition 3.10. Let X and Y be nonempty sets and let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a mapping .Let

$A = <\mu_A, v_A>$ be an IFS in X and $B = <\mu_B, v_B>$ be an IFS in Y . Then

(a) the preimage of B under f ,denoted by $f^{-1}(B)$,is the IFS in X defined by

$$f^{-1}(B) = < f^{-1}(\mu_B), f^{-1}(v_B) >, \text{where } f^{-1}(\mu_B) = \mu_B \circ f \text{ and } f^{-1}(v_B) = v_B \circ f$$

(b) the image of A under f ,denoted by $f(A)$,is the IFS in Y defined by

$$f(A) = < f(\mu_A), f(v_A) >, \text{where for each } y \in Y$$

$$f(\mu_A)(y) = \begin{cases} \bigvee_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} \mu_A(x) & \text{if } f^{-1}(y) \neq \emptyset \\ 0 & \text{if } f^{-1}(y) = \emptyset \end{cases}$$

and

$$f(v_A)(y) = \begin{cases} \bigwedge_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} v_A(x) & \text{if } f^{-1}(y) \neq \emptyset \\ 0 & \text{if } f^{-1}(y) = \emptyset \end{cases}$$

Theorem 3.11. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be an onto BCI-homomorphism .If an intuitionistic fuzzy subset A of X is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal ,then the intuitionistic fuzzy subset $f(A)$ is also an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of Y .

Proof. Since A is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of X , $\mu_A(0) \geq \mu_A(x)$ and $v_A(0) \leq v_A(x)$

for all $x \in X$. Since $0 = f^{-1}(0)$,we have

$$\mu_{f(A)}(0) = \bigvee_{x \in f^{-1}(0)} \mu_A(x) = \mu_A(0) \geq \mu_A(x)$$

That is , $\mu_{f(A)}(0) \geq \mu_A(x)$

$$\mu_{f(A)}(0) \geq \bigvee_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} \mu_A(x) = \mu_{f(A)}(y)$$

$$\mu_{f(A)}(0) \geq \mu_{f(A)}(y) \quad \text{for all } y \text{ in } X$$

and

$$v_{f(A)}(0) = \bigwedge_{x \in f^{-1}(0)} v_A(x) = v_A(0) \leq v_A(x)$$

That is , $v_{f(A)}(0) \leq v_A(x)$

$$v_{f(A)}(0) \leq \bigwedge_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} v_A(x) = v_{f(A)}(y)$$

$$v_{f(A)}(0) \leq v_{f(A)}(y) \quad \text{for all } y \text{ in } X .$$

Next ,let $y_1, y_2, y_3 \in Y$ and $x_1 \in f^{-1}(y_1), x_2 \in f^{-1}(y_2), x_3 \in f^{-1}(y_3)$ such that

$$\mu_A(x_1 * x_3) = \bigvee_{t \in f^{-1}(y_1 * y_3)} \mu_A(t),$$

$$\mu_A(x_2) = \bigvee_{t \in f^{-1}(y_2)} \{\mu_A(t), \mu_A(x_1 * (x_2 * x_3))\}$$

$$= \bigvee_{t \in f^{-1}(y_2)} \mu_A(t).$$

$$\mu_{f(A)}(y_1 * y_3) = \bigvee_{t \in f^{-1}(y_1 * y_3)} \mu_A(t) = \mu_A(x_1 * x_2)$$

$$\geq \mu_A(x_1 * (x_2 * x_3)) \wedge \mu_A(x_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \bigvee_{t \in f^{-1}(y_1^*(y_2 * y_3))} \mu_A(t) \wedge \bigvee_{t \in f^{-1}(y_2)} \mu_A(t) \\
 &= \mu_{f(A)}(y_1^*(y_2 * y_3)) \wedge \mu_{f(A)}(y_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\nu_A(x_1 * x_3) = \bigwedge_{t \in f^{-1}(y_1^* y_3)} \nu_A(t),$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \nu_A(x_2) &= \bigwedge_{t \in f^{-1}(y_2)} \{\nu_A(t), \nu_A(x_1 * (x_2 * x_3))\} \\
 &= \bigwedge_{t \in f^{-1}(y_1^*(y_2 * y_3))} \nu_A(t).
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \nu_{f(A)}(y_1 * y_3) &= \bigwedge_{t \in f^{-1}(y_1^* y_3)} \nu_A(t) = \nu_A(x_1 * x_2) \\
 &\leq \nu_A(x_1 * (x_2 * x_3)) \wedge \nu_A(x_2) \\
 &= \bigwedge_{t \in f^{-1}(y_1^*(y_2 * y_3))} \nu_A(t) \vee \bigwedge_{t \in f^{-1}(y_2)} \nu_A(t) \\
 &= \nu_{f(A)}(y_1 * (y_2 * y_3)) \vee \nu_{f(A)}(y_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

This proves that $f(A)$ is also an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of Y .

This completes the proof.

Definition 3.12[4]. A fuzzy relation A on any set X is a fuzzy subset A with a membership function $\mu_A : X \times X \rightarrow [0, 1]$

Definition 3.13[4]. If A is a fuzzy relation with membership function μ_A on a set X and B is a fuzzy subset of X with membership function μ_B , then A is a fuzzy relation on B , if for all $x, y \in X$, $\mu_A(x, y) \leq \mu_B(x) \wedge \mu_B(y)$.

Lemma 3.14[4]. Let A and B be fuzzy sets of a set X with membership functions μ_A and μ_B , respectively. Then the Cartesian product $A \times B$ of A and B is a fuzzy relation on a set X whose membership function $\mu_{A \times B}$ is defined as $\mu_{A \times B}(x, y) = \mu_A(x) \wedge \mu_B(y)$ for all $x, y \in X$.

Definition 3.15[4]. Let A and B be intuitionistic fuzzy sets of a set X . Then the Cartesian product $A \times B$ of A and B is a fuzzy relation on a set X is defined as

$$\mu_{A \times B}(x, y) = \mu_A(x) \wedge \mu_B(y) \text{ and } \nu_{A \times B}(x, y) = \nu_A(x) \vee \nu_B(y) \text{ for all } x, y \in X.$$

Theorem 3.16. Let A and B be intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideals of X . Then the Cartesian product $A \times B$ of A and B is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of $X \times X$.

Proof. Let $(x, y) \in X$. Then by definition

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mu_{A \times B}(0, 0) &= \mu_A(0) \wedge \mu_B(0) \\
 &\geq \mu_A(x) \wedge \mu_B(y) = \mu_{A \times B}(x, y)
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \nu_{A \times B}(0, 0) &= \nu_A(0) \vee \nu_B(0) \\
 &\leq \nu_A(x) \vee \nu_B(y) = \nu_{A \times B}(x, y)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Next, consider } \mu_{A \times B}((x_1, x_2) * ((y_1, y_2) * (z_1, z_2))) \wedge \mu_{A \times B}((y_1, y_2) \\
&= \mu_{A \times B}((x_1, x_2) * (y_1 * z_1, y_2 * z_2)) \wedge \mu_{A \times B}(y_1, y_2) \\
&= \mu_{A \times B}(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1), x_2 * (y_2 * z_2)) \wedge \mu_{A \times B}((y_1, y_2) \\
&= [\mu_A(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1)) \wedge \mu_B(x_2 * (y_2 * z_2))] \wedge [\mu_A(y_1) \wedge \mu_B(y_2)] \\
&= [\mu_A(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1)) \wedge \mu_A(y_1)] \wedge [\mu_B(x_2 * (y_2 * z_2)) \wedge \mu_B(y_2)] \\
&\leq \mu_A(x_1 * z_1) \wedge \mu_B(x_2 * y_2) \\
&= \mu_{A \times B}(x_1 * z_1, x_2 * y_2) \\
&= \mu_{A \times B}((x_1, x_2), (z_1, z_2))
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
v_{A \times B}((x_1, x_2) * ((y_1, y_2) * (z_1, z_2))) \vee v_{A \times B}((y_1, y_2) \\
&= v_{A \times B}((x_1, x_2) * (y_1 * z_1, y_2 * z_2)) \vee v_{A \times B}(y_1, y_2) \\
&= v_{A \times B}(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1), x_2 * (y_2 * z_2)) \vee v_{A \times B}((y_1, y_2) \\
&= [v_A(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1)) \vee v_B(x_2 * (y_2 * z_2))] \vee [v_A(y_1) \vee v_B(y_2)] \\
&= [v_A(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1)) \vee v_A(y_1)] \vee [v_B(x_2 * (y_2 * z_2)) \vee v_B(y_2)] \\
&\geq v_A(x_1 * z_1) \vee v_B(x_2 * y_2) \\
&= v_{A \times B}(x_1 * z_1, x_2 * y_2) \\
&= v_{A \times B}((x_1, x_2), (z_1, z_2))
\end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.

Theorem 3.17. Let A and B be intuitionistic fuzzy sets of a BCI-algebra X. If $A \times B$ is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of $X \times X$, then

- (i) $\mu_A(0) \geq \mu_A(x)$ and $v_A(0) \leq v_A(x)$ or $\mu_B(0) \geq \mu_B(x)$ and $v_B(0) \leq v_B(x)$
- (ii) $\mu_B(0) \geq \mu_A(x)$ and $v_B(0) \leq v_A(x)$ or $\mu_B(0) \geq \mu_B(x)$ and $v_B(0) \leq v_B(x)$
- (iii) $\mu_A(0) \geq \mu_A(x)$ and $v_A(0) \leq v_A(x)$ or $\mu_A(0) \geq \mu_B(x)$ and $v_A(0) \leq v_B(x)$
- (iv) A or B is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of X.

Proof. (i) Suppose $\mu_A(0) < \mu_A(x)$, $v_A(0) > v_A(x)$ and $\mu_B(0) < \mu_B(y)$, $v_B(0) > v_B(y)$ for some x, y in X.

Then $\mu_{A \times B}(x, y) = \mu_A(x) \wedge \mu_B(y) > \mu_A(0) \wedge \mu_B(0) = \mu_{A \times B}(0, 0)$ and

$$v_{A \times B}(x, y) = v_A(x) \vee v_B(y) < v_A(0) \vee v_B(0) = v_{A \times B}(0, 0) \text{ or}$$

$$\mu_{A \times B}(x, y) > \mu_{A \times B}(0, 0) \text{ and } v_{A \times B}(x, y) < v_{A \times B}(0, 0) \text{ for all } x, y \in X \times X, \text{ a contradiction.}$$

This proves (i)

(ii) Suppose $\mu_B(0) < \mu_A(x)$, $v_B(0) > v_A(x)$ and $\mu_B(0) < \mu_B(y)$, $v_B(0) > v_B(y)$ for some x, y in X. Then $\mu_{A \times B}(0, 0) = \mu_A(0) \wedge \mu_B(0) = \mu_B(0)$ and $v_{A \times B}(0, 0) = v_A(0) \vee v_B(0) = v_B(0)$

It follows that $\mu_{A \times B}(x, y) = \mu_A(x) \wedge \mu_B(y) > \mu_B(0) \wedge \mu_B(0) = \mu_B(0) = \mu_{A \times B}(0, 0)$ or

$$\mu_{A \times B}(x, y) > \mu_{A \times B}(0, 0)$$

and

$$v_{A \times B}(x, y) = v_A(x) \vee v_B(y) < v_B(0) \vee v_B(0) = v_B(0) = v_{A \times B}(0, 0) \text{ or}$$

$$v_{A \times B}(x, y) < v_{A \times B}(0, 0) \text{ which is a contradiction. This proves (ii)}$$

(iii) is similar to (ii)

(iv) By (i) suppose $\mu_B(0) \geq \mu_B(x)$ and $v_B(0) \leq v_B(x)$ for all $x \in X$.

From (iii), take $\mu_B(x) \leq \mu_A(0)$ and $v_B(x) \geq v_A(0)$ for all $x \in X$. Then

$$\mu_{A \times B}(0, x) = \mu_A(0) \wedge \mu_B(x) = \mu_B(x) \text{ and } v_{A \times B}(0, x) = v_A(0) \vee v_B(x) = v_B(x) \text{ (I)}$$

Since $A \times B$ is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal, we have

$$\mu_{A \times B}((x_1, x_2) * (z_1, z_2)) \geq \mu_{A \times B}((x_1, x_2) * ((y_1, y_2) * (z_1, z_2))) \wedge \mu_{A \times B}(y_1, y_2)$$

or

$$\mu_{A \times B}(x_1 * z_1, x_2 * z_2) \geq \mu_{A \times B}(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1), x_2 * (y_2 * z_2)) \wedge \mu_{A \times B}(y_1, y_2)$$

and

$$\vee_{A \times B}((x_1, x_2) * (z_1, z_2)) \leq \vee_{A \times B}((x_1, x_2) * ((y_1, y_2) * (z_1, z_2))) \vee \vee_{A \times B}(y_1, y_2)$$

or

$$\vee_{A \times B}(x_1 * z_1, x_2 * z_2) \leq \vee_{A \times B}(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1), x_2 * (y_2 * z_2)) \vee \vee_{A \times B}(y_1, y_2)$$

If $x_1 = y_1 = z_1 = 0$, then

$$\mu_{A \times B}(0, x_2 * z_2) \geq \mu_{A \times B}(0, x_2 * (y_2 * z_2)) \wedge \mu_{A \times B}(0, y_2) \text{ and}$$

$$\vee_{A \times B}(0, x_2 * z_2) \leq \vee_{A \times B}(0, x_2 * (y_2 * z_2)) \vee \vee_{A \times B}(0, y_2)$$

By (I) we have

$$\mu_{A \times B}(x_2 * z_2) \geq \mu_{A \times B}(x_2 * (y_2 * z_2)) \wedge \mu_{A \times B}(y_2) \text{ and}$$

$$\vee_{A \times B}(x_2 * z_2) \leq \vee_{A \times B}(x_2 * (y_2 * z_2)) \vee \vee_{A \times B}(y_2)$$

This proves that B is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of X. Similar is the case when

$\mu_A(x) \leq \mu_A(0)$, $\vee_A(x) \geq \vee_A(0)$ and $\mu_A(x) \leq \mu_B(0)$, $\vee_A(x) \geq \vee_B(0)$ for all $x \in X$. This gives that A is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of X.

This completes the proof.

Definition 3.18[4]. Let B be a fuzzy subset of X. Then the strongest fuzzy relation on X, that is, a fuzzy relation A on B whose membership function μ_{A_B} is given by

$$\mu_{A_B}(x, y) = \mu_B(x) \wedge \mu_B(y) \text{ for all } x, y \in X$$

Definition 3.19. Let A and B be two intuitionistic fuzzy subsets of X. Then the strongest intuitionistic fuzzy relation on X, that is, an intuitionistic fuzzy relation A on B is A_B defined by $\mu_{A_B}(x, y) = \mu_B(x) \wedge \mu_B(y)$ and

$$\nu_{A_B}(x, y) = \nu_B(x) \vee \nu_B(y) \text{ for all } x, y \in X$$

Theorem 3.20. Let B be an intuitionistic fuzzy subset of a BCI-algebra X and A_B be the strongest intuitionistic fuzzy relation on X. Then B is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of X if and only if A_B is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of $X \times X$.

Proof. Assume that B is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of X. Then

$$\mu_{A_B}(0, 0) = \mu_B(0) \wedge \mu_B(0) \geq \mu_B(x) \wedge \mu_B(y) = \mu_{A_B}(x, y) \text{ and}$$

$$\nu_{A_B}(0, 0) = \nu_B(0) \vee \nu_B(0) \leq \nu_B(x) \vee \nu_B(y) = \nu_{A_B}(x, y) \text{ for all } (x, y) \text{ in } X \times X. \text{ Next,}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{A_B}((x_1, x_2) * (z_1, z_2)) &= \mu_{A_B}(x_1 * z_1, x_2 * z_2) = \mu_B(x_1 * z_1) \wedge \mu_B(x_2 * z_2) \\ &\geq [\mu_B(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1)) \wedge \mu_B(y_1)] \wedge [\mu_B(x_2 * (y_2 * z_2)) \wedge \mu_B(y_2)] \\ &= [\mu_B(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1)) \wedge \mu_B(x_2 * (y_2 * z_2))] \wedge [\mu_B(y_1) \wedge \mu_B(y_2)] \\ &= \mu_{A_B}(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1), x_2 * (y_2 * z_2)) \wedge \mu_{A_B}(y_1, y_2) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_{A_B}((x_1, x_2) * (z_1, z_2)) &= \nu_{A_B}(x_1 * z_1, x_2 * z_2) = \nu_B(x_1 * z_1) \vee \nu_B(x_2 * z_2) \\ &\leq [\nu_B(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1)) \vee \nu_B(y_1)] \vee [\nu_B(x_2 * (y_2 * z_2)) \vee \nu_B(y_2)] \\ &= [\nu_B(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1)) \vee \nu_B(x_2 * (y_2 * z_2))] \vee [\nu_B(y_1) \vee \nu_B(y_2)] \\ &= \nu_{A_B}(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1), x_2 * (y_2 * z_2)) \vee \nu_{A_B}(y_1, y_2) \end{aligned}$$

for all $(x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2), (z_1, z_2)$ in $X \times X$. This proves that A_B is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of $X \times X$.

Conversely, let A_B be an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of $X \times X$. Then for all $(x, y) \in X \times X$

$\mu_B(0) \wedge \mu_B(0) = \mu_{A_B}(0,0) > \mu_{A_B}(x,x) = \mu_B(x) \wedge \mu_B(x)$ or $\mu_B(0) > \mu_B(x)$ and

$\nu_B(0) \vee \nu_B(0) = \nu_{A_B}(0,0) < \nu_{A_B}(x,x) = \nu_B(x) \vee \nu_B(x)$ or $\nu_B(0) < \nu_B(x)$

for all $x \in X$. Next, let $(x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2), (z_1, z_2) \in X \times X$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_B(x_1 * z_1) \wedge \mu_B(x_2 * z_2) &= \mu_{A_B}(x_1 * z_1, x_2 * z_2) = \mu_{A_B}((x_1, x_2), (z_1, z_2)) \\ &\geq \mu_{A_B}((x_1, x_2) * ((y_1, y_2) * (z_1, z_2))) \wedge \mu_{A_B}(y_1, y_2) \\ &= \mu_{A_B}(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1), x_2 * (y_2 * z_2)) \wedge \mu_{A_B}(y_1, y_2) \\ &= [\mu_B(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1)) \wedge \mu_B(x_2 * (y_2 * z_2))] \wedge [\mu_B(y_1) \wedge \mu_B(y_2)] \\ &= [\mu_B(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1)) \wedge \mu_B(y_1)] \wedge [\mu_B(x_2 * (y_2 * z_2)) \wedge \mu_B(y_2)] \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_B(x_1 * z_1) \vee \nu_B(x_2 * z_2) &= \nu_{A_B}(x_1 * z_1, x_2 * z_2) = \nu_{A_B}((x_1, x_2), (z_1, z_2)) \\ &\leq \nu_{A_B}((x_1, x_2) * ((y_1, y_2) * (z_1, z_2))) \vee \nu_{A_B}(y_1, y_2) \\ &= \nu_{A_B}(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1), x_2 * (y_2 * z_2)) \vee \nu_{A_B}(y_1, y_2) \\ &= [\nu_B(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1)) \vee \nu_B(x_2 * (y_2 * z_2))] \vee [\nu_B(y_1) \vee \nu_B(y_2)] \\ &= [\nu_B(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1)) \vee \nu_B(y_1)] \vee [\nu_B(x_2 * (y_2 * z_2)) \vee \nu_B(y_2)] \end{aligned}$$

Taking $x_2 = y_2 = z_2 = 0$, we get

$$\mu_B(x_1 * z_1) \wedge \mu_B(0) \geq \mu_B(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1)) \wedge \mu_B(y_1) \wedge \mu_B(0) \text{ or}$$

$$\mu_B(x_1 * z_1) \geq \mu_B(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1)) \wedge \mu_B(y_1)$$

and

$$\nu_B(x_1 * z_1) \vee \nu_B(0) \leq \nu_B(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1)) \vee \nu_B(y_1) \vee \nu_B(0) \text{ or}$$

$$\nu_B(x_1 * z_1) \leq \nu_B(x_1 * (y_1 * z_1)) \vee \nu_B(y_1)$$

which proves that B is an intuitionistic fuzzy H-ideal of X .

This completes the proof.

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