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# ON FUZZY d-ALGEBRAS

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#### Abstract

In this paper we introduce the notions of fuzzy subalgebras and d-ideals in d-algebras, and investigate some of their results.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

- Y. Imai and K. Iseki [1, 2] introduced two classes of abstract algebras: BCK-algebras and BCI-algebras. It is known that the notion of BCI-algebras is a generalization of BCK-algebras. J. Neggers and H. S. Kim [8] introduced the class of d-algebras which is another generalization of BCK-algebras, and investigated relations between d-algebras and BCK-algebras.
- L. A. Zadeh [6] introduced the notion of fuzzy sets, and A. Rosenfeld [11] introduced the notion of fuzzy group. Following the idea of fuzzy groups, O.

G. Xi [5] introduced the notion of fuzzy BCK-algebras. After that, Y. B. Jun and J. Meng [12] studied fuzzy BCK-algebras. B. Ahmad [10] fuzzified BCI-algebras. In this paper we fuzzify d-algebras.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

In this section we cite the fundamental definitions that will be used in the sequel:

#### Definition 2.1

An algebra (X; \*, 0) of type (2, 0) is called a BCK-algebra if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (1) ((x\*y)\*(x\*z))\*(z\*y) = 0,
- (2) (x \* (x \* y)) \* y = 0,
- (3) x \* x = 0,
- (4)  $x * y = 0, y * x = 0 \Rightarrow x = y,$
- $(5) \ 0 * x = 0$

for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

## Definition 2.2

Let X be a BCK-algebra and I be a subset of X, then I is called an ideal of X if

- (I1)  $0 \in I$ ,
- (I2) y and  $x * y \in I \Rightarrow x \in I$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

## **Definition 2.3**[8]

A nonempty set X with a constant 0 and a binary operation \* is called a d-algebra, if it satisfies the following axioms:

- $(d1) \ x * x = 0,$
- (d2) 0 \* x = 0,
- (d3) x \* y = 0 and  $y * x = 0 \Rightarrow x = y$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

# **Definition 2.4**[9]

Let S be a non-empty subset of a d-algebra X, then S is called *subalgebra* of X if  $x * y \in S$ , for all  $x, y \in S$ .

# Definition 2.5[9]

Let X be a d-algebra and I be a subset of X, then I is called d-ideal of X if it satisfies following conditions:

- (Id1)  $0 \in I$ ,
- (Id2)  $x * y \in I$  and  $y \in I \Rightarrow x \in I$ ,
- (Id3)  $x \in I$  and  $y \in X \Rightarrow x * y \in I$ , i.e.,  $I \times X \subseteq I$ .

### Definition 2.6

A mapping  $f: X \to Y$  of d-algebras is called a homomorphism if f(x \* y) = f(x) \* f(y), for all  $x, y \in X$ .

Note that if  $f: X \to Y$  is homomorphism of d-algebras, then f(0) = 0.

### Definition 2.7

Let X be a non-empty set. A fuzzy (sub)set  $\mu$  of the set X is a mapping  $\mu: X \to [0,1]$ .

## Definition 2.8

Let  $\mu$  be the fuzzy set of a set X. For a fixed  $s \in [0, 1]$ , the set  $\mu_s = \{x \in X : \mu(x) \geq s\}$  is called an *upper level* of  $\mu$ .

#### 3. FUZZY SUBALGEBRAS

#### Definition 3.1

A fuzzy set  $\mu$  in d-algebra X is called a fuzzy subalgebra of X if it satisfies  $\mu(x * y) \ge \min \{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$ , for all  $x, y \in X$ .

# **Example 3.2**[8]

Let  $X := \{0, 1, 2\}$  be a set given by the following Cayley table:

$$\begin{array}{c|ccccc}
* & 0 & 1 & 2 \\
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0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
1 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\
2 & 1 & 1 & 0
\end{array}$$

Then (X; \*, 0) is a d-algebra, but not a BCK-algebra, since  $(2 * (2 * 2)) * 2 = (2 * 0) * 2 = 1 * 2 = 2 \neq 0$ . We define a fuzzy set  $\mu: X \to [0, 1]$  by  $\mu(0) = 0.7$ ,  $\mu(x) = 0.02$ , where for all  $x \neq 0$ . It is easy to see that  $\mu$  is a fuzzy subalgebra of X.

## Example 3.3

Let  $X = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  be a set and the operation \* be defined as follows:

$$x * y := \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \le y \\ x - y & \text{if } y < x \end{cases}$$

Then (X; \*, 0) is an infinite d-algebra. If we define a fuzzy set  $\mu : X \to [0, 1]$  by  $\mu(0) = t_1, \, \mu(x) = t_2$  for all  $x \neq 0$ , where  $t_1 > t_2$ . Then  $\mu$  is a fuzzy subalgebra of X.

# Example 3.4

Let  $X = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  be a set and the operation \* be defined as follows:

$$x * y := \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \le y \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then (X; \*, 0) is an infinite d-algebra, but not BCK-algebras, since  $(2 * (2 * 0)) * 0 = (2 * 1) * 0 = 1 * 0 = 1 \neq 0$ .

## Example 3.5

Let  $X = [0, a] \subset [0, 1]$ , a being a fixed number, and the operation \* be defined as follows:

$$x * y = min(x, max(x, y) - min(x, y)), \quad \forall x, y \in X.$$

Then (X; \*, 0) is an infinite d-algebra.

## Proposition 3.6

A fuzzy set  $\mu$  of a d-algebra X is a fuzzy subalgebra if and only if for every  $t \in [0,1]$  the upper level  $\mu_t$  is either empty or a subalgebra of X.

### Proof

Suppose that  $\mu$  is a fuzzy subalgebra of a d-algebra X and  $\mu_t \neq 0$ , then for any  $x, y \in \mu_t$ , we have  $\mu(x * y) \geq \min \{\mu(x), \mu(y)\} \geq t$  which implies  $x * y \in \mu_t$ , and hence  $\mu_t$  is a subalgebra of X.

Conversely, take  $t = \min \{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$ , for any  $x, y \in X$ . Then by assumption,  $\mu_t$  is a subalgebra of X, which implies  $x * y \in \mu_t$ , so that  $\mu(x * y) \ge t = \min \{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$ . Hence  $\mu$  is a fuzzy subalgebra of X.

#### Proposition 3.7

Any subalgebra of a d-algebra X can be realized as a level subalgebra of some fuzzy subalgebra of X.

#### Proof

Let A be a subalgebra of a d-algebra X and  $\mu$  be a fuzzy set in X defined by

$$\mu(x) := \begin{cases} t, & \text{if } x \in A; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

where  $t \in (0,1)$ . It is clear that  $\mu_t = A$ . Let  $x, y \in X$ . If  $x, y \in A$ , then  $x * y \in A$ . So  $\mu(x) = \mu(y) = \mu(x * y) = t$ , and  $\mu(x * y) \ge \min \{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$ . If  $x, y \notin A$ , then  $\mu(x) = \mu(y) = 0$ . Thus  $\mu(x * y) \ge \min \{\mu(x), \mu(y)\} = 0$ . If at most one of  $x, y \in A$ , then at least one of  $\mu(x)$  and  $\mu(y)$  is equal to 0. Therefore,  $\min \{\mu(x), \mu(y)\} = 0$  and  $\mu(x * y) \ge 0$  which completes the proof.

## Corollary 3.8

Let A be a subset of X. Then the characteristic function  $\chi_A$  is a fuzzy subalgebra of X if and only if A is a subalgebra of X.

## Lemma 3.9

Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy subalgebra with finite image. If  $\mu_s = \mu_t$ , for some  $s, t \in Im(\mu)$ , then s=t.

#### Lemma 3.10

Let  $\mu$  and  $\lambda$  be two fuzzy subalgebras of X with identical family of level subalgebras. If  $Im(\mu) = \{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n\}$  and  $Im(\lambda) = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_m\}$ , where  $t_1 \geq t_2 \geq \dots t_n$  and  $s_1 \geq s_2 \geq \dots s_m$ . Then

- (1) m=n.
- (2)  $\mu_{t_i} = \lambda_{s_i}$ , for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .
- (3) If  $\mu(x) = s_i$ , then  $\lambda(x) = s_i$ , for all  $x \in X$  and  $i=1, 2, \dots, n$ .

## Proposition 3.11

Let  $\mu$  and  $\lambda$  be two fuzzy subalgebras of X with identical family of level subalgebras. Then  $\mu = \lambda \Rightarrow Im(\mu) = Im(\lambda)$ .

#### Proof

Let  $Im(\mu) = Im(\lambda) = \{s_1, ..., s_n\}$  and  $s_1 > ... > s_n$ . By lemma 3.10, for any  $x \in X$ , there exists  $s_i$  such that  $\mu(x) = s_i = \lambda(x)$ . Thus  $\mu(x) = \lambda(x), \forall x \in X$ . This completes the proof.

### Proposition 3.12

Two level subalgebras  $\mu_s$  and  $\mu_t$ , (s < t) of a fuzzy subalgebra are equal if and only if there is no  $x \in X$  such that  $s \le \mu(x) < t$ .

## Proof

Suppose that  $\mu_s = \mu_t$ , for some s < t. If there exists  $x \in X$  such that  $s \leq \mu(x) < t$ , then  $\mu_t$  is a proper subset of  $\mu_s$ , which is contradicting the hypothesis.

Conversely, suppose that there is no  $x \in X$  such that  $s \leq \mu(x) < t$ . If  $x \in \mu_s$ , then  $\mu(x) \geq s$  and so  $\mu(x) \geq t$ , since  $\mu(x)$  does not lie between s and t. Thus  $x \in \mu_t$ , which gives  $\mu_s \subseteq \mu_t$ . The converse inclusion is obvious since s < t. Therefore,  $\mu_s = \mu_t$ .

#### 4. FUZZY d - IDEALS

#### Definition 4.1

A fuzzy set  $\mu$  in X is called fuzzy BCK-ideal of X if it satisfies the following inequalities:

- (1)  $\mu(0) \ge \mu(x)$ ,
- (2)  $\mu(x) \ge \min\{\mu(x * y), \mu(y)\}\$ , for all  $x, y \in X$ .

## Definition 4.2

A fuzzy set  $\mu$  in X is called fuzzy d-ideal of X if it satisfies the following inequalities:

- (Fd1)  $\mu(0) \ge \mu(x)$ ,
- (Fd2)  $\mu(x) \ge \min\{\mu(x * y), \mu(y)\},\$
- (Fd3)  $\mu(x * y) \ge \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}\$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

# Example 4.3[11]

Let  $X := \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$  be a *d*-algebra with the following Cayley table:

Then (X; \*, 0) is not BCK-algebra since  $\{(1*3)*(1*2)\}*(2*3) = 1 \neq 0$ . We define fuzzy set  $\mu$  in X by  $\mu(0) = 0.8$  and  $\mu(x) = 0.01$ , for all  $x \neq 0$  in X. Then it is easy to show that  $\mu$  is a d-ideal of X.

We can easily observe the following propositions:

- In a d-algebra every fuzzy d-ideal is a fuzzy BCK-ideal, and every fuzzy BCK-ideal is a fuzzy d-subalgebra.
- Every fuzzy d-ideal of a d-algebra is a fuzzy d-subalgebra.

#### Theorem 4.4

If each non-empty level subset  $U(\mu;t)$  of  $\mu$  is a fuzzy ideal of X then  $\mu$  is a fuzzy d-ideal of X, where  $t \in [0,1]$ .

#### **Proof**

Assume that each non-empty level subset  $U(\mu; s)$  of  $\mu$  is a d-ideal. Then it is easy to show that  $\mu$  satisfies  $(Fd_1)$ and  $(Fd_2)$ . Assume that  $\mu(x*y) < \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$ , for some  $x, y \in X$ . Take  $t_0 := \frac{1}{2}\{\mu(x*y) + \min(\mu(x), \mu(y))\}$ , then  $x, y \in U(\mu; t_0)$ . Since  $\mu$  is a d-ideal of X,  $x*y \in U(\mu; t_0)$ , therefore,  $\mu(x*y) \geq t_0$ , a contradiction. Hence assumption is wrong. This completes the proof.

## **Definition 4.5**[4]

Let  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  be the fuzzy sets in a set X. The cartesian product  $\lambda \times \mu$ :  $X \times X \longrightarrow [0,1]$  is defined by  $(\lambda \times \mu)(x,y) = \min\{\lambda(x),\mu(x)\}, \forall x,y \in X$ .

#### Theorem 4.6

If  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are fuzzy d-ideals of a d-algebra X. Then  $\lambda \times \mu$  is a fuzzy d-ideal of  $X \times X$ .

## Proof

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For any (x,y) \in X \times X, we have (\lambda \times \mu)(0,0) = \min \{\lambda(0),\mu(0)\} \ge \min \{\lambda(x),\mu(y)\} = (\lambda \times \mu)(x,y)

Let (x_1,x_2) and (y_1,y_2) \in X \times X. Then (\lambda \times \mu)((x_1,x_2)) = \min \{\lambda(x_1),\mu(x_2)\}

\ge \min \{\min \{\lambda(x_1*y_1),\lambda(y_1)\},\min \{\mu(x_2*y_2),\mu(y_2)\}\}

= \min \{\min \{\lambda(x_1*y_1),\mu(x_2*y_2)\},\min \{\lambda(y_1),\mu(y_2)\}\}

= \min \{(\lambda \times \mu)((x_1*y_1,x_2*y_2)),(\lambda \times \mu)((y_1,y_2))\}

= \min \{(\lambda \times \mu)((x_1,x_2)*(y_1,y_2)),(\lambda \times \mu)((y_1,y_2))\}

and (\lambda \times \mu)((x_1,x_2)*(y_1,y_2)) = (\lambda \times \mu)((x_1*y_1,x_2*y_2))

= \min \{\lambda(x_1*y_1),\mu(x_2*y_2)\}

\ge \min \{\min \{\lambda(x_1),\lambda(y_1)\},\min \{\mu(x_2),\mu(y_2)\}\}

= \min \{\min \{\lambda(x_1),\mu(x_2)\},\min \{\lambda(y_1),\mu(y_2)\}\}

= \min \{(\lambda \times \mu)((x_1,x_2)),(\lambda \times \mu)((y_1,y_2))\}.

Hence \lambda \times \mu is a fuzzy d-ideal of X \times X.
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#### Theorem 4.7

Let  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  be fuzzy sets in a d-algebra X such that  $\lambda \times \mu$  is a fuzzy d-ideal of  $X \times X$ . Then

- (i) either  $\lambda(0) \ge \lambda(x)$  or  $\mu(0) \ge \mu(x)$ ,  $\forall x \in X$ .
- (ii) If  $\lambda(0) \ge \lambda(x)$ ,  $\forall x \in X$ , then either  $\mu(0) \ge \lambda(x)$  or  $\mu(0) \ge \mu(x)$ .
- (iii) If  $\mu(0) \ge \mu(x)$ ,  $\forall x \in X$ , then either  $\lambda(0) \ge \lambda(x)$  or  $\lambda(0) \ge \mu(x)$ .

#### Proof

(i) We prove it using reductio ad absurdum.

Assume 
$$\lambda(x) > \lambda(0)$$
 and  $\mu(y) > \mu(0)$ , for some x, y  $\in X$ . Then  $(\lambda \times \mu)(x,y) = \min \{\lambda(x),\mu(y)\} > \min \{\lambda(0),\mu(0)\} = (\lambda \times \mu)(0,0)$   $\Rightarrow (\lambda \times \mu)(x,y) > (\lambda \times \mu)(0,0), \forall x, y \in X$ . which is a contradiction. Hence (i) is proved.

(ii) Again, we use reduction to absurdity.

Assume 
$$\mu(0) < \lambda(x)$$
 and  $\mu(0) < \mu(y)$ ,  $\forall x, y \in X$ . Then,  $(\lambda \times \mu)(0,0) = \min \{\lambda(0),\mu(0)\} = \mu(0)$  and  $(\lambda \times \mu)(x, y) = \min \{\lambda(x), \mu(y)\} > \mu(0) = (\lambda \times \mu)(0, 0)$   $\Rightarrow (\lambda \times \mu)(x, y) > (\lambda \times \mu)(0, 0)$ . which is a contradiction. Hence (ii) is proved.

(iii) The proof is similar to (ii).

The partial converse of the Theorem 4.6 is the following.

#### Theorem 4.8

If  $\lambda \times \mu$  is a fuzzy d-ideal of  $X \times X$ , then  $\lambda$  or  $\mu$  is a fuzzy d-ideal of X.

### Proof

By Theorem 4.7(i), without loss of generality we assume that  $\mu(0) \ge \mu(x)$ ,  $\forall x \in X$ .

It follows from Theorem 4.7(iii) that either  $\lambda(0) \geq \lambda(x)$  or  $\lambda(0) \geq \mu(x)$ . If  $\lambda(0) \geq \mu(x)$ ,  $\forall x \in X$ . Then  $(\lambda \times \mu)(0, x) = \min \{\lambda(0), \mu(x)\} = \mu(x) - (A)$ Since  $\lambda \times \mu$  is a fuzzy d-ideal of  $X \times X$ , therefore,  $(\lambda \times \mu)(x_1, x_2) \geq \min \{(\lambda \times \mu)((x_1, x_2) * (y_1, y_2)), (\lambda \times \mu)(y_1, y_2)\}$ and  $(\lambda \times \mu)((x_1, x_2) * (y_1, y_2)) \geq \min \{(\lambda \times \mu)((x_1, x_2), (\lambda \times \mu)((y_1, y_2))\}$ It implies that  $(\lambda \times \mu)(x_1, x_2) \geq \min \{(\lambda \times \mu)((x_1 * y_1, x_2 * y_2)), (\lambda \times \mu)(y_1, y_2)\}$ .

and 
$$(\lambda \times \mu)((x_1 * y_1, x_2 * y_2)) \ge \min \{(\lambda \times \mu)((x_1, x_2), (\lambda \times \mu)((y_1, y_2))\}.$$
  
Putting  $x_1 = y_1 = 0$ , we have
$$(\lambda \times \mu)(0, x_2) \ge \min \{(\lambda \times \mu)((0, x_2 * y_2)), (\lambda \times \mu)(0, y_2)\}$$
and  $(\lambda \times \mu)((0, x_2 * y_2)) \ge \min \{(\lambda \times \mu)((0, x_2), (\lambda \times \mu)((0, y_2))\}$ 
using equation(A), we have
$$\mu(x_2) \ge \min\{\mu(x_2 * y_2), \mu(y_2)\}$$
and  $\mu(x_2 * y_2) \ge \min\{\mu(x_2), \mu(y_2)\}.$ 

This proves that  $\mu$  is a fuzzy d-ideal of X. The second part is similar. This completes the proof.

## Definition 4.9[4]

Let A be a fuzzy set in a set S, the strongest fuzzy relation on S that is fuzzy relation on A is  $\mu_A$  given by  $\mu_A(x,y) = \min\{A(x), A(y)\}$ , for all  $x, y \in S$ .

#### Theorem 4.10

Let A be a fuzzy set in a d-algebra X and  $\mu_A$  be the strongest fuzzy relation on X. Then A is a fuzzy d-ideal of X if and only if  $\mu_A$  is a fuzzy d-ideal of  $X \times X$ .

## Proof

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Suppose that A is a fuzzy d-ideal of X. Then \mu_A(0,0) = \min\{A(0),A(0)\} \ge \min\{A(x),A(y)\} = \mu_A(x,y), \forall (x,y) \in X \times X. For any x = (x_1,x_2) and y = (y_1,y_2) \in X \times X, we have \mu_A(x) = \mu_A(x_1,x_2) = \min\{A(x_1),A(x_2)\} \ge \min\{\min\{A(x_1*y_1),A(y_1)\},\min\{A(x_2*y_2),A(y_2)\}\} = \min\{\min\{A(x_1*y_1),A(x_2*y_2)\},\min\{A(y_1),A(y_2)\}\} = \min\{\mu_A(x_1*y_1,x_2*y_2),\mu_A(y_1,y_2)\} = \min\{\mu_A(x_1*y_1,x_2*y_2),\mu_A(y_1,y_2)\} = \min\{\mu_A(x_1*y_1,\mu_A(y_1),\mu_A(y_1,y_2)\} = \min\{\mu_A(x_1*y_1,\mu_A(y_1),\mu_A(y_1,y_2)\} = \min\{\mu_A(x_1*y_1,\mu_A(y_1),\mu_A(y_1,y_2),\mu_A(y_1,y_2)\} = \min\{\mu_A(x_1*y_1,\mu_A(y_1),\mu_A(y_1,y_2),\mu_A(y_1,y_2)\} = \min\{\mu_A(x_1*y_1,\mu_A(y_1),\mu_A(y_1,y_2),\mu_A(y_1,y_2),\mu_A(y_1,y_2)\} = \min\{\mu_A(x_1*y_1,\mu_A(y_1),\mu_A(y_1,y_2),\mu_A(y_1,y_2),\mu_A(y_1,y_2)\}
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and \mu_A(x * y) = \mu_A((x_1, x_2) * (y_1, y_2))
= \mu_A((x_1 * y_1, x_2 * y_2))
= \min \{A(x_1 * y_1), A(x_2 * y_2)\}\
\geq \min \{\min \{A(x_1), A(y_1)\}, \min \{A(x_2), A(y_2)\}\}
= \min \{ \min \{A(x_1), A(x_2)\}, \min \{A(y_1), A(y_2)\} \}
= \min \{ \mu_A((x_1, x_2), \mu_A(y_1, y_2)) \}
= \min \{ \mu_A(x), \mu_A(y) \}.
Hence \mu_A is a fuzzy d-ideal of X \times X.
Conversely, suppose that \mu_A is a fuzzy d-ideal of X \times X. Then
\min\{A(0), A(0)\} = \mu_A(0, 0) \ge \mu_A(x, y) = \min\{A(x), A(y)\}, \forall (x, y) \in X \times X.
It follows that A(x) \leq A(0), \forall x \in X
For any x = (x_1, x_2), y = (y_1, y_2) \in X \times X, we have
\min\{A(x_1), A(x_2)\} = \mu_A(x_1, x_2)
\geq \min \{ \mu_A((x_1, x_2) * (y_1, y_2)), \mu_A(y_1, y_2) \}
= \min \{ \mu_A(x_1 * y_1, x_2 * y_2), \mu_A(y_1, y_2) \}
= \min \{\min\{A(x_1 * y_1), A(x_2 * y_2)\}, \min\{A(y_1), A(y_2)\}\}
= \min \{\min\{A(x_1 * y_1), A(y_1)\}, \min \{A(x_2 * y_2), A(y_2)\}\}.
Putting x_2=y_2=0, we have
\mu_A(x_1) \ge \min \{\mu_A(x_1 * y_1), \mu_A(y_1)\}.
Likewise, \mu_A(x_1 * y_1) \ge \min \{\mu_A(x_1), \mu_A(y_1)\}.
Hence A is fuzzy d-ideal of X.
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#### Definition 4.11

Let  $f: X \longrightarrow Y$  be a mapping of d-algebras and  $\mu$  be a fuzzy set of Y. The map  $\mu^f$  is the pre-image of  $\mu$  under f, if  $\mu^f(x) = \mu(f(x)), \forall x \in X$ .

## Theorem 4.12

Let  $f: X \longrightarrow Y$  be a homomorphism of d-algebras. If  $\mu$  is a fuzzy d-ideal of

Y, then  $\mu^f$  is a fuzzy d-ideal of X.

#### Proof

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For any x \in X, we have \mu^f(x) = \mu(f(x)) \le \mu(0) = \mu(f(0)) = \mu^f(0)

Let x, y \in X. Then \min \{\mu^f(x * y), \mu^f(y)\}

= \min \{\mu(f(x * y)), \mu(f(y))\}

= \min \{\mu(f(x) * f(y)), \mu(f(y))\}

\leq \mu(f(x)) = \mu^f(x)

and \min \{\mu^f(x), \mu^f(y)\}

= \min \{\mu(f(x)), \mu(f(y))\}

= \min \{\mu(f(x)), \mu(f(y))\}

\leq \mu(f(x) * f(y)) = \mu(f(x * y)) = \mu^f(x * y).

Hence \mu^f is a fuzzy d- ideal of X.
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## Theorem 4.13

Let  $f: X \longrightarrow Y$  be an epimorphism of d-algebras. If  $\mu^f$  is a fuzzy d-ideal of X, then  $\mu$  is a fuzzy d-ideal of Y.

#### Proof

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Let y \in Y, there exists x \in X such that f(x) = y. Then \mu(y) = \mu(f(x)) = \mu^f(x) \le \mu^f(0) = \mu(f(0)) = \mu(0)

Let x, y \in Y. Then there exist a, b \in X such that f(a) = x and f(b) = y. It follows that \mu(x) = \mu(f(a)) = \mu^f(a)

\geq \min \{\mu^f(a * b), \mu^f(b)\}

= \min \{\mu(f(a * b)), \mu(f(b))\}

= \min \{\mu(f(a) * f(b)), \mu(f(b))\}

= \min \{\mu(x * y), \mu(y)\}
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and \mu(x * y) = \mu(f(a) * f(b)) = \mu^f(a * b)

\geq \min \{\mu^f(a), \mu^f(b)\}

= \min \{\mu(f(a)), \mu(f(b))\}

= \min \{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}.

Hence \mu is a fuzzy d- ideal of Y.
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