

NOTES ON BIPOLAR-VALUED MULTI FUZZY SUBGROUPS OF A GROUP

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ABSTRACT

In this paper, we study some of the properties of bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup and prove some results on these.

Key Words: *Bipolar-valued fuzzy subset, bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subset, bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup.*

INTRODUCTION

In 1965, Zadeh [12] introduced the notion of a fuzzy subset of a set, fuzzy sets are a kind of useful mathematical structure to represent a collection of objects whose boundary is vague. Since then it has become a vigorous area of research in different domains, there have been a number of generalizations of this fundamental concept such as intuitionistic fuzzy sets, interval-valued fuzzy sets, vague sets, soft sets etc [5]. Lee [7] introduced the notion of bipolar-valued fuzzy sets. Bipolar-valued fuzzy sets are an extension of fuzzy sets whose membership degree range is enlarged from the interval $[0, 1]$ to $[-1, 1]$. In a bipolar-valued fuzzy subset, the membership degree 0 means that elements are irrelevant to the corresponding property, the membership degree $(0, 1]$ indicates that elements somewhat satisfy the property and the membership degree $[-1, 0)$ indicates that elements somewhat satisfy the implicit counter property. Bipolar-valued fuzzy sets and intuitionistic fuzzy sets look similar each other. However, they are different each other [7, 8]. We introduce the concept of bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup and established some results.

1. PRELIMINARIES

1.1 Definition: A bipolar-valued fuzzy set (BVFS) A in X is defined as an object of the form $A = \{ \langle x, A^+(x), A^-(x) \rangle / x \in X \}$, where $A^+ : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ and $A^- : X \rightarrow [-1, 0]$. The positive membership degree $A^+(x)$ denotes the satisfaction degree of an element x to the property corresponding to a bipolar-valued fuzzy set A and the negative membership degree $A^-(x)$ denotes the satisfaction degree of an element x to some implicit counter-property corresponding to a bipolar-valued fuzzy set A . If $A^+(x) \neq 0$ and $A^-(x) = 0$, it is the situation that x is regarded as having only positive satisfaction for A and if $A^+(x) = 0$ and $A^-(x) \neq 0$, it is the situation that x does not satisfy the property of A , but somewhat satisfies the counter property of A . It is possible for an element x to be such that $A^+(x) \neq 0$ and $A^-(x) \neq 0$ when the membership function of the property overlaps that of its counter property over some portion of X .

1.2 Example: $A = \{ \langle a, 0.5, -0.3 \rangle, \langle b, 0.1, -0.7 \rangle, \langle c, 0.5, -0.4 \rangle \}$ is a bipolar-valued fuzzy subset of $X = \{a, b, c\}$.

1.3 Definition: A bipolar-valued multi fuzzy set (BVMFS) A in X is defined as an object of the form $A = \{ \langle x, A_i^+(x), A_i^-(x) \rangle / x \in X \}$, where $A_i^+ : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ and $A_i^- : X \rightarrow [-1, 0]$. The positive membership degrees $A_i^+(x)$ denote the satisfaction degree of an element x to the property corresponding to a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy set A and the negative membership degrees $A_i^-(x)$ denote the satisfaction degree of an element x to some implicit counter-property corresponding to a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy set A . If $A_i^+(x) \neq 0$ and $A_i^-(x) = 0$, it is the situation that x is regarded as having only positive satisfaction for A and if $A_i^+(x) = 0$ and $A_i^-(x) \neq 0$, it is the situation that x does not satisfy the property of A , but somewhat satisfies the counter property of A . It is possible for an element x to be such that $A_i^+(x) \neq 0$ and $A_i^-(x) \neq 0$ when the membership function of the property overlaps that of its counter property over some portion of X , where $i = 1$ to n .

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1.4 Example: $A = \{ \langle a, 0.5, 0, 6, 0.3, -0.3, -0.6, -0.5 \rangle, \langle b, 0.1, 0.4, 0.7, -0.7, -0.3, -0.6 \rangle, \langle c, 0.5, 0.3, 0.8, -0.4, -0.5, -0.3 \rangle \}$ is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subset of $X = \{a, b, c\}$.

1.5 Definition: Let G be a group. A bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subset A of G is said to be a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of G (BVMFSG) if the following conditions are satisfied

- (i) $A_i^+(xy) \geq \min \{A_i^+(x), A_i^+(y)\}$
- (ii) $A_i^+(x^{-1}) \geq A_i^+(x)$
- (iii) $A_i^-(xy) \leq \max \{A_i^-(x), A_i^-(y)\}$
- (iv) $A_i^-(x^{-1}) \leq A_i^-(x)$ for all x and y in G .

1.6 Example: Let $G = \{1, -1, i, -i\}$ be a group with respect to the ordinary multiplication. Then $A = \{ \langle 1, 0.5, 0.6, 0.4, -0.6, -0.5, -0.3 \rangle, \langle -1, 0.4, 0.5, 0.3, -0.5, -0.4, -0.2 \rangle, \langle i, 0.2, 0.3, 0.2, -0.4, -0.3, -0.1 \rangle, \langle -i, 0.2, 0.3, 0.2, -0.4, -0.3, -0.1 \rangle \}$ is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of G .

1.7 Definition: Let $A = \langle A_i^+, A_i^- \rangle$ and $B = \langle B_i^+, B_i^- \rangle$ be any two bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subsets of sets G and H , respectively. The product of A and B , denoted by $A \times B$, is defined as $A \times B = \{ \langle (x, y), (A_i \times B_i)^+(x, y), (A_i \times B_i)^-(x, y) \rangle \}$ for all x in G and y in H where $(A_i \times B_i)^+(x, y) = \min \{A_i^+(x), B_i^+(y)\}$ and $(A_i \times B_i)^-(x, y) = \max \{A_i^-(x), B_i^-(y)\}$ for all x in G and y in H .

1.8 Definition: Let $A = \langle A_i^+, A_i^- \rangle$ be a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subset in a set S , the strongest bipolar-valued multi fuzzy relation on S , that is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy relation on A is $V = \{ \langle (x, y), V_i^+(x, y), V_i^-(x, y) \rangle \}$ / x and y in S given by $V_i^+(x, y) = \min \{A_i^+(x), A_i^+(y)\}$ and $V_i^-(x, y) = \max \{A_i^-(x), A_i^-(y)\}$ for all x and y in S .

2. PROPERTIES

2.1 Theorem: Let $A = \langle A_i^+, A_i^- \rangle$ be a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of G . Then $A_i^+(x^{-1}) = A_i^+(x)$ and $A_i^-(x^{-1}) = A_i^-(x)$, $A_i^+(x) \leq A_i^+(e)$ and $A_i^-(x) \geq A_i^-(e)$ for all x in G and the identity element e in G .

Proof: Let x be in G . Now $A_i^+(x) = A_i^+((x^{-1})^{-1}) \geq A_i^+(x^{-1}) \geq A_i^+(x)$. Therefore $A_i^+(x) = A_i^+(x^{-1})$ for all x in G . And $A_i^-(x) = A_i^-((x^{-1})^{-1}) \leq A_i^-(x^{-1}) \leq A_i^-(x)$. Therefore $A_i^-(x^{-1}) = A_i^-(x)$ for all x in G .

Now $A_i^+(e) = A_i^+(xx^{-1}) \geq \min \{A_i^+(x), A_i^+(x^{-1})\} = A_i^+(x)$. Therefore $A_i^+(e) \geq A_i^+(x)$ for all x in G . And $A_i^-(e) = A_i^-(xx^{-1}) \leq \max \{A_i^-(x), A_i^-(x^{-1})\} = A_i^-(x)$. Therefore $A_i^-(e) \leq A_i^-(x)$ for all x in G .

2.2 Theorem: Let $A = \langle A_i^+, A_i^- \rangle$ be a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of G . Then

- (i) $A_i^+(xy^{-1}) = A_i^+(e)$ implies that $A_i^+(x) = A_i^+(y)$ for x and y in G .
- (ii) $A_i^-(xy^{-1}) = A_i^-(e)$ implies that $A_i^-(x) = A_i^-(y)$ for x and y in G .

Proof: Now $A_i^+(x) = A_i^+(xy^{-1}y) \geq \min \{A_i^+(xy^{-1}), A_i^+(y)\} = \min \{A_i^+(e), A_i^+(y)\} = A_i^+(y) = A_i^+(yx^{-1}x) \geq \min \{A_i^+(yx^{-1}), A_i^+(x)\} = \min \{A_i^+(e), A_i^+(x)\} = A_i^+(x)$. Therefore $A_i^+(x) = A_i^+(y)$ for x and y in G . And $A_i^-(x) = A_i^-(xy^{-1}y) \leq \max \{A_i^-(xy^{-1}), A_i^-(y)\} = \max \{A_i^-(e), A_i^-(y)\} = A_i^-(y) = A_i^-(yx^{-1}x) \leq \max \{A_i^-(yx^{-1}), A_i^-(x)\} = \max \{A_i^-(e), A_i^-(x)\} = A_i^-(x)$. Therefore $A_i^-(x) = A_i^-(y)$ for x and y in G .

2.3 Theorem: Let $A = \langle A_i^+, A_i^- \rangle$ be a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of a group G .

- (i) If $A_i^+(xy^{-1}) = 1$, then $A_i^+(x) = A_i^+(y)$ for x and y in G .
- (ii) If $A_i^-(xy^{-1}) = -1$, then $A_i^-(x) = A_i^-(y)$ for x and y in G .

Proof: Now $A_i^+(x) = A_i^+(xy^{-1}y) \geq \min \{A_i^+(xy^{-1}), A_i^+(y)\} = \min \{1, A_i^+(y)\} = A_i^+(y) = A_i^+(y^{-1}) = A_i^+(x^{-1}xy^{-1}) \geq \min \{A_i^+(x^{-1}), A_i^+(xy^{-1})\} = \min \{A_i^+(x^{-1}), 1\} = A_i^+(x^{-1}) = A_i^+(x)$. Therefore $A_i^+(x) = A_i^+(y)$ for x and y in G . Hence (i) is proved. Also $A_i^-(x) = A_i^-(xy^{-1}y) \leq \max \{A_i^-(xy^{-1}), A_i^-(y)\} = \max \{-1, A_i^-(y)\} = A_i^-(y) = A_i^-(y^{-1}) = A_i^-(x^{-1}xy^{-1}) \leq \max \{A_i^-(x^{-1}), A_i^-(xy^{-1})\} = \max \{A_i^-(x^{-1}), -1\} = A_i^-(x^{-1}) = A_i^-(x)$. Therefore $A_i^-(x) = A_i^-(y)$ for x and y in G . Hence (ii) is proved.

2.4 Theorem: Let $A = \langle A_i^+, A_i^- \rangle$ be a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of a group G .

- (i) If $A_i^+(xy^{-1}) = 0$, then either $A_i^+(x) = 0$ or $A_i^+(y) = 0$ for x and y in G .
- (ii) If $A_i^-(xy^{-1}) = 0$, then either $A_i^-(x) = 0$ or $A_i^-(y) = 0$ for x and y in G .

Proof: Let x and y in G .

- (i) By the definition $A_i^+(xy^{-1}) \geq \min \{A_i^+(x), A_i^+(y)\}$ which implies that $0 \geq \min \{A_i^+(x), A_i^+(y)\}$. Therefore either $A_i^+(x) = 0$ or $A_i^+(y) = 0$.

- (ii) By the definition $A_i^-(xy^{-1}) \leq \max\{A_i^-(x), A_i^-(y)\}$ which implies that $0 \leq \max\{A_i^-(x), A_i^-(y)\}$. Therefore either $A_i^-(x) = 0$ or $A_i^-(y) = 0$.

2.5 Theorem: If $A = \langle A_i^+, A_i^- \rangle$ be a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of G , then

- (i) $A_i^+(xy) = A_i^+(yx)$ if and only if $A_i^+(x) = A_i^+(y^{-1}xy)$ for x and y in G .
 (ii) $A_i^-(xy) = A_i^-(yx)$ if and only if $A_i^-(x) = A_i^-(y^{-1}xy)$ for x and y in G .

Proof: Let x and y be in G . Assume that $A_i^+(xy) = A_i^+(yx)$. So, $A_i^+(y^{-1}xy) = A_i^+(y^{-1}yx) = A_i^+(ex) = A_i^+(x)$. Therefore $A_i^+(x) = A_i^+(y^{-1}xy)$ for x and y in G . Conversely assume that $A_i^+(x) = A_i^+(y^{-1}xy)$. We get $A_i^+(xy) = A_i^+(xyxx^{-1}) = A_i^+(yx)$. Therefore $A_i^+(xy) = A_i^+(yx)$ for x and y in G . Hence $A_i^+(xy) = A_i^+(yx)$ if and only if $A_i^+(x) = A_i^+(y^{-1}xy)$ for x and y in G . Also assume that $A_i^-(xy) = A_i^-(yx)$. We get $A_i^-(y^{-1}xy) = A_i^-(y^{-1}yx) = A_i^-(ex) = A_i^-(x)$. Therefore $A_i^-(x) = A_i^-(y^{-1}xy)$ for x and y in G . Conversely assume that $A_i^-(x) = A_i^-(y^{-1}xy)$. So $A_i^-(xy) = A_i^-(xyxx^{-1}) = A_i^-(yx)$. Therefore $A_i^-(xy) = A_i^-(yx)$ for x and y in G . Hence $A_i^-(xy) = A_i^-(yx)$ if and only if $A_i^-(x) = A_i^-(y^{-1}xy)$ for x and y in G .

2.6 Theorem: If $A = \langle A_i^+, A_i^- \rangle$ is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of a group G , then $H = \{x \in G \mid A_i^+(x) = 1, A_i^-(x) = -1\}$ is either empty or a subgroup of G .

Proof: If no element satisfies this condition, then H is empty. If x and y in H , then $A_i^+(xy^{-1}) \geq \min\{A_i^+(x), A_i^+(y)\} = \min\{1, 1\} = 1$. Therefore $A_i^+(xy^{-1}) = 1$. And $A_i^-(xy^{-1}) \leq \max\{A_i^-(x), A_i^-(y)\} = \max\{-1, -1\} = -1$. Therefore $A_i^-(xy^{-1}) = -1$. That is $xy^{-1} \in H$. Hence H is a subgroup of G . Hence H is either empty or a subgroup of G .

2.7 Theorem: If $A = \langle A_i^+, A_i^- \rangle$ is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of G , then $H = \{x \in G \mid A_i^+(x) = A_i^+(e) \text{ and } A_i^-(x) = A_i^-(e)\}$ is a subgroup of G .

Proof: Here $H = \{x \in G \mid A_i^+(x) = A_i^+(e) \text{ and } A_i^-(x) = A_i^-(e)\}$ by Theorem 2.1, $A_i^+(x^{-1}) = A_i^+(x) = A_i^+(e)$ and $A_i^-(x^{-1}) = A_i^-(x) = A_i^-(e)$. Therefore $x^{-1} \in H$. Now $A_i^+(xy^{-1}) \geq \min\{A_i^+(x), A_i^+(y)\} = \min\{A_i^+(e), A_i^+(e)\} = A_i^+(e)$ and $A_i^+(e) = A_i^+((xy^{-1})(xy^{-1})^{-1}) \geq \min\{A_i^+(xy^{-1}), A_i^+(xy^{-1})\} = A_i^+(xy^{-1})$. Hence $A_i^+(e) = A_i^+(xy^{-1})$. Also $A_i^-(xy^{-1}) \leq \max\{A_i^-(x), A_i^-(y)\} = \max\{A_i^-(e), A_i^-(e)\} = A_i^-(e)$ and $A_i^-(e) = A_i^-((xy^{-1})(xy^{-1})^{-1}) \leq \max\{A_i^-(xy^{-1}), A_i^-(xy^{-1})\} = A_i^-(xy^{-1})$. Therefore $A_i^-(e) = A_i^-(xy^{-1})$. Hence $A_i^+(e) = A_i^+(xy^{-1})$ and $A_i^-(e) = A_i^-(xy^{-1})$. Therefore $xy^{-1} \in H$. Hence H is a subgroup of G .

2.8 Theorem: Let G be a group. If $A = \langle A_i^+, A_i^- \rangle$ is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of G , then $A_i^+(xy) = \min\{A_i^+(x), A_i^+(y)\}$ and $A_i^+(xy) = \max\{A_i^-(x), A_i^-(y)\}$ for each x and y in G with $A_i^+(x) \neq A_i^+(y)$ and $A_i^-(x) \neq A_i^-(y)$.

Proof: Assume that $A_i^+(x) > A_i^+(y)$ and $A_i^-(x) < A_i^-(y)$. Then $A_i^+(y) = A_i^+(x^{-1}xy) \geq \min\{A_i^+(x^{-1}), A_i^+(xy)\} = \min\{A_i^+(x), A_i^+(xy)\} = A_i^+(xy) \geq \min\{A_i^+(x), A_i^+(y)\} = A_i^+(y)$. Therefore $A_i^+(xy) = A_i^+(y) = \min\{A_i^+(x), A_i^+(y)\}$. And $A_i^-(y) = A_i^-(x^{-1}xy) \leq \max\{A_i^-(x^{-1}), A_i^-(xy)\} = \max\{A_i^-(x), A_i^-(xy)\} = A_i^-(xy) \leq \max\{A_i^-(x), A_i^-(y)\} = A_i^-(y)$. Therefore $A_i^-(xy) = A_i^-(y) = \max\{A_i^-(x), A_i^-(y)\}$.

2.9 Theorem: If $A = \langle A_i^+, A_i^- \rangle$ and $B = \langle B_i^+, B_i^- \rangle$ are two bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroups of a group G , then their intersection $A \cap B$ is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of G .

Proof: Let $A = \{ \langle x, A_i^+(x), A_i^-(x) \rangle \mid x \in G \}$, $B = \{ \langle x, B_i^+(x), B_i^-(x) \rangle \mid x \in G \}$. Let $C = A \cap B$ and $C = \{ \langle x, C_i^+(x), C_i^-(x) \rangle \mid x \in G \}$. Now $C_i^+(xy^{-1}) = \min\{A_i^+(xy^{-1}), B_i^+(xy^{-1})\} \geq \min\{\min\{A_i^+(x), A_i^+(y)\}, \min\{B_i^+(x), B_i^+(y)\}\} \geq \min\{\min\{A_i^+(x), B_i^+(x)\}, \min\{A_i^+(y), B_i^+(y)\}\} = \min\{C_i^+(x), C_i^+(y)\}$. Therefore $C_i^+(xy^{-1}) \geq \min\{C_i^+(x), C_i^+(y)\}$. Also $C_i^-(xy^{-1}) = \max\{A_i^-(xy^{-1}), B_i^-(xy^{-1})\} \leq \max\{\max\{A_i^-(x), A_i^-(y)\}, \max\{B_i^-(x), B_i^-(y)\}\} \leq \max\{\max\{A_i^-(x), B_i^-(x)\}, \max\{A_i^-(y), B_i^-(y)\}\} = \max\{C_i^-(x), C_i^-(y)\}$. Therefore $C_i^-(xy^{-1}) \leq \max\{C_i^-(x), C_i^-(y)\}$. Hence $A \cap B$ is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of G .

2.10 Theorem: The intersection of a family of bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroups of a group G is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of G .

Proof: The Theorem is true by Theorem 2.9.

2.11 Theorem: If $A = \langle A_i^+, A_i^- \rangle$ and $B = \langle B_i^+, B_i^- \rangle$ are any two bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroups of the groups G_1 and G_2 respectively, then $A \times B = \langle (A_i \times B_i)^+, (A_i \times B_i)^- \rangle$ is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of $G_1 \times G_2$.

Proof: Let A and B be two bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroups of the groups G_1 and G_2 respectively. Let x_1 and x_2 be in G_1 , y_1 and y_2 be in G_2 . Then (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) are in $G_1 \times G_2$. Now, $(A_i \times B_i)^+[(x_1, y_1)(x_2, y_2)^{-1}] = (A_i \times B_i)^+(x_1x_2^{-1}, y_1y_2^{-1}) = \min\{A_i^+(x_1x_2^{-1}), B_i^+(y_1y_2^{-1})\} \geq \min\{\min\{A_i^+(x_1), A_i^+(x_2)\}, \min\{B_i^+(y_1), B_i^+(y_2)\}\} = \min\{\min\{A_i^+(x_1), B_i^+(y_1)\}, \min\{A_i^+(x_2), B_i^+(y_2)\}\}$.

$\min\{A_i^+(x_2), B_i^+(y_2)\} = \min\{(A_i \times B_i)^+(x_1, y_1), (A_i \times B_i)^+(x_2, y_2)\}$. Therefore $(A_i \times B_i)^+ [(x_1, y_1)(x_2, y_2)^{-1}] \geq \min\{(A_i \times B_i)^+(x_1, y_1), (A_i \times B_i)^+(x_2, y_2)\}$. Also $(A_i \times B_i)^- [(x_1, y_1)(x_2, y_2)^{-1}] = (A_i \times B_i)^-(x_1x_2^{-1}, y_1y_2^{-1}) = \max\{A_i^-(x_1x_2^{-1}), B_i^-(y_1y_2^{-1})\} \leq \max\{\max\{A_i^-(x_1), A_i^-(x_2)\}, \max\{B_i^-(y_1), B_i^-(y_2)\}\} = \max\{\max\{A_i^-(x_1), B_i^-(y_1)\}, \max\{A_i^-(x_2), B_i^-(y_2)\}\} = \max\{(A_i \times B_i)^-(x_1, y_1), (A_i \times B_i)^-(x_2, y_2)\}$. Therefore $(A_i \times B_i)^- [(x_1, y_1)(x_2, y_2)^{-1}] \leq \max\{(A_i \times B_i)^-(x_1, y_1), (A_i \times B_i)^-(x_2, y_2)\}$. Hence $A \times B$ is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of $G_1 \times G_2$.

2.12 Theorem: Let $A = \langle A_i^+, A_i^- \rangle$ and $B = \langle B_i^+, B_i^- \rangle$ be any two bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subsets of the groups G and H respectively. Suppose that e and e^1 are the identity elements of G and H respectively. If $A \times B$ is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of $G \times H$, then at least one of the following two statements must hold.

- (i) $B_i^+(e^1) \geq A_i^+(x)$ for all x in G and $B_i^-(e^1) \leq A_i^-(x)$ for all x in G
- (ii) $A_i^+(e) \geq B_i^+(y)$ for all y in H and $A_i^-(e) \leq B_i^-(y)$ for all y in H .

Proof: Let $A \times B$ is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of $G \times H$. By contraposition, suppose that none of the statements (i) and (ii) holds. Then we can find a in G and b in H such that $A_i^+(a) > B_i^+(e^1)$, $A_i^-(a) < B_i^-(e^1)$ and $B_i^+(b) > A_i^+(e)$, $B_i^-(b) < A_i^-(e)$. We have $(A_i \times B_i)^+(a, b) = \min\{A_i^+(a), B_i^+(b)\} > \min\{A_i^+(e), B_i^+(e^1)\} = (A_i \times B_i)^+(e, e^1)$. Also $(A_i \times B_i)^-(a, b) = \max\{A_i^-(a), B_i^-(b)\} < \max\{A_i^-(e), B_i^-(e^1)\} = (A_i \times B_i)^-(e, e^1)$. Thus $A \times B$ is not a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of $G \times H$. Hence either $B_i^+(e^1) \geq A_i^+(x)$ for all x in G and $B_i^-(e^1) \leq A_i^-(x)$ for all x in G or $A_i^+(e) \geq B_i^+(y)$ for all y in H and $A_i^-(e) \leq B_i^-(y)$ for all y in H .

2.13 Theorem: Let $A = \langle A_i^+, A_i^- \rangle$ and $B = \langle B_i^+, B_i^- \rangle$ be any two bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subsets of the groups G and H , respectively and $A \times B$ is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of $G \times H$. Then the following are true:

- (i) If $A_i^+(x) \leq B_i^+(e^1)$ for all x in G and $A_i^-(x) \geq B_i^-(e^1)$ for all x in G , then A is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of G where e^1 is identity element of H .
- (ii) If $B_i^+(x) \leq A_i^+(e)$ for all x in H and $B_i^-(x) \geq A_i^-(e)$ for all x in H , then B is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of H where e is identity element of G .
- (iii) either A is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of G or B is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of H where e and e^1 are the identity elements of G and H respectively.

Proof: Let $A \times B$ be a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of $G \times H$ and x and y in G . Then (x, e^1) and (y, e^1) are in $G \times H$. Now using the property if $A_i^+(x) \leq B_i^+(e^1)$ for all x in G and $A_i^-(x) \geq B_i^-(e^1)$ for all x in G where e^1 is identity element of H we get, $A_i^+(xy^{-1}) = \min\{A_i^+(xy^{-1}), B_i^+(e^1e^1)\} = (A_i \times B_i)^+((xy^{-1}), (e^1e^1)) = (A_i \times B_i)^+[(x, e^1)(y^{-1}, e^1)] \geq \min\{(A_i \times B_i)^+(x, e^1), (A_i \times B_i)^+(y^{-1}, e^1)\} = \min\{\min\{A_i^+(x), B_i^+(e^1)\}, \min\{A_i^+(y^{-1}), B_i^+(e^1)\}\} = \min\{A_i^+(x), A_i^+(y^{-1})\} \geq \min\{A_i^+(x), A_i^+(y)\}$. Therefore $A_i^+(xy^{-1}) \geq \min\{A_i^+(x), A_i^+(y)\}$ for all x and y in G . Also $A_i^-(xy^{-1}) = \max\{A_i^-(xy^{-1}), B_i^-(e^1e^1)\} = (A_i \times B_i)^-((xy^{-1}), (e^1e^1)) = (A_i \times B_i)^-[(x, e^1)(y^{-1}, e^1)] \leq \max\{(A_i \times B_i)^-(x, e^1), (A_i \times B_i)^-(y^{-1}, e^1)\} = \max\{A_i^-(x), B_i^-(e^1)\}, \max\{A_i^-(y^{-1}), B_i^-(e^1)\}\} = \max\{A_i^-(x), A_i^-(y^{-1})\} \leq \max\{A_i^-(x), A_i^-(y)\}$. Therefore $A_i^-(xy^{-1}) \leq \max\{A_i^-(x), A_i^-(y)\}$ for all x and y in G . Hence A is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of G . Thus (i) is proved. Now using the property $B_i^+(x) \leq A_i^+(e)$ for all x in H and $B_i^-(x) \geq A_i^-(e)$ for all x in H we get, $B_i^+(xy^{-1}) = \min\{B_i^+(xy^{-1}), A_i^+(e.e)\} = (A_i \times B_i)^+((e, x)(e, y^{-1})) = (A_i \times B_i)^+[(e, x)(e, y^{-1})] \geq \min\{(A_i \times B_i)^+(e, x), (A_i \times B_i)^+(e, y^{-1})\} = \min\{\min\{A_i^+(e), B_i^+(x)\}, \min\{A_i^+(e), B_i^+(y^{-1})\}\} = \min\{B_i^+(x), B_i^+(y^{-1})\} \geq \min\{B_i^+(x), B_i^+(y)\}$. Therefore $B_i^+(xy^{-1}) \geq \min\{B_i^+(x), B_i^+(y)\}$ for all x and y in H . Also $B_i^-(xy^{-1}) = \max\{B_i^-(xy^{-1}), A_i^-(e.e)\} = (A_i \times B_i)^-((e, x)(e, y^{-1})) = (A_i \times B_i)^-[(e, x)(e, y^{-1})] \leq \max\{(A_i \times B_i)^-(e, x), (A_i \times B_i)^-(e, y^{-1})\} = \max\{\max\{A_i^-(e), B_i^-(x)\}, \max\{A_i^-(e), B_i^-(y^{-1})\}\} = \max\{B_i^-(x), B_i^-(y^{-1})\} \leq \max\{B_i^-(x), B_i^-(y)\}$. Therefore $B_i^-(xy^{-1}) \leq \max\{B_i^-(x), B_i^-(y)\}$ for all x and y in H . Hence B is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of H . Thus (ii) is proved. Hence (iii) is clear.

2.14 Theorem: Let $A = \langle A_i^+, A_i^- \rangle$ be a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subset of a group (G, \cdot) and $V = \langle V_i^+, V_i^- \rangle$ be the strongest bipolar-valued multi fuzzy relation of G . Then A is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of G if and only if V is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of $G \times G$.

Proof: Suppose that A is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of G . Then for any $x = (x_1, x_2)$ and $y = (y_1, y_2)$ are in $G \times G$. We have $V_i^+(xy^{-1}) = V_i^+[(x_1, x_2)(y_1, y_2)^{-1}] = V_i^+(x_1y_1^{-1}, x_2y_2^{-1}) = \min\{A_i^+(x_1y_1^{-1}), A_i^+(x_2y_2^{-1})\} \geq \min\{\min\{A_i^+(x_1), A_i^+(y_1)\}, \min\{A_i^+(x_2), A_i^+(y_2)\}\} = \min\{\min\{A_i^+(x_1), A_i^+(x_2)\}, \min\{A_i^+(y_1), A_i^+(y_2)\}\} = \min\{V_i^+(x_1, x_2), V_i^+(y_1, y_2)\} = \min\{V_i^+(x), V_i^+(y)\}$. Therefore $V_i^+(xy^{-1}) \geq \min\{V_i^+(x), V_i^+(y)\}$ for all x and y in $G \times G$. Also we have $V_i^-(xy^{-1}) = V_i^-[(x_1, x_2)(y_1, y_2)^{-1}] = V_i^-(x_1y_1^{-1}, x_2y_2^{-1}) = \max\{A_i^-(x_1y_1^{-1}), A_i^-(x_2y_2^{-1})\} \leq \max\{\max\{A_i^-(x_1), A_i^-(y_1)\}, \max\{A_i^-(x_2), A_i^-(y_2)\}\} = \max\{\max\{A_i^-(x_1), A_i^-(x_2)\}, \max\{A_i^-(y_1), A_i^-(y_2)\}\} = \max\{V_i^-(x_1, x_2), V_i^-(y_1, y_2)\} = \max\{V_i^-(x), V_i^-(y)\}$. Therefore $V_i^-(xy^{-1}) \leq \max\{V_i^-(x), V_i^-(y)\}$ for all x and y in $G \times G$. This proves that V is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of $G \times G$. Conversely, assume that V is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of $G \times G$, then for any $x = (x_1, x_2)$ and $y = (y_1, y_2)$ are in $G \times G$, we have $\min\{A_i^+(x_1y_1^{-1}), A_i^+(x_2y_2^{-1})\} = V_i^+(x_1y_1^{-1}, x_2y_2^{-1}) = V_i^+[(x_1, x_2)(y_1, y_2)^{-1}] = V_i^+(xy^{-1}) \geq \min\{V_i^+(x), V_i^+(y)\} = \min\{V_i^+(x_1, x_2), V_i^+(y_1, y_2)\} = \min\{\min\{A_i^+(x_1), A_i^+(x_2)\}, \min\{A_i^+(y_1), A_i^+(y_2)\}\}$. If we put $x_2 = y_2 = e$, we get, $A_i^+(x_1y_1^{-1}) \geq \min\{A_i^+(x_1), A_i^+(y_1)\}$ for all x_1 and y_1 in G . Also we have $\max\{A_i^-(x_1y_1^{-1}), A_i^-(x_2y_2^{-1})\} = V_i^-(x_1y_1^{-1}, x_2y_2^{-1}) = V_i^-[(x_1, x_2)(y_1, y_2)^{-1}] = V_i^-(xy^{-1}) \leq \max\{V_i^-(x), V_i^-(y)\}$

$= \max \{V_i^-(x_1, x_2), V_i^-(y_1, y_2)\} = \max \{ \max \{A_i^-(x_1), A_i^-(x_2)\}, \max \{A_i^-(y_1), A_i^-(y_2)\} \}$. If we put $x_2 = y_2 = e$, we get $A_i^-(x_1 y_1^{-1}) \leq \max \{A_i^-(x_1), A_i^-(y_1)\}$ for all x_1 and y_1 in G . Hence A is a bipolar-valued multi fuzzy subgroup of G .

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