

DIRECT PRODUCT OF (Q, L)-FUZZY SUBGROUPS AND THEIR PROPERTIES

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ABSTRACT

In this paper, some properties of (Q, L)-fuzzy subgroup of a group are discussed, and obtained some algebraic properties on the direct product of (Q, L)-fuzzy subgroups by means of Q-level sets.

Keywords: (Q, L)-fuzzy subset, (Q, L)-fuzzy subgroups, (Q, L) – fuzzy normal subgroup, Q-level subsets.

SECTION 1 – INTRODUCTION

The concept of fuzzy set was introduced by Zadeh [7]. Rosenfield [6] gave the idea of subgroups. Solairaju and Nagarajan [4, 5] introduced and defined a new algebraic structure of Q-fuzzy groups. Asokkumer Ray [1] defined a product of fuzzy groups. Goguen [2] studied the fuzzy set theory by studying L-fuzzysets. In this paper, we discuss some equivalent characterizations of direct product of (Q, L)-fuzzy groups by means of Q-level subsets.

SECTION 2 – BASIC DEFINITIONS

Definition 2.1: Let X and Q be any two non-empty sets. A mapping $\mu: X \times Q \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is called a Q-fuzzy set in X.

Definition 2.2: Let X be a non-empty set and $L = (L, \leq)$ be a lattice with least element 0 and greatest element 1 and Q be a non-empty set. A (Q, L)-fuzzy subset A of X is a function $A: X \times Q \rightarrow L$.

Definition 2.3: A (Q, L) - fuzzy subset λ of G is said to be a (Q, L)-fuzzy subgroup of G if for all $x, y \in G$ and $q \in Q$

- (i) $(xy, q) \geq \lambda(x, q) \wedge \lambda(y, q)$
- (ii) $\lambda(x^{-1}, q) = \lambda(x, q)$

SECTION 3 – PROPERTIES ON (Q, L) – FUZZY SUBGROUP

Theorem 3.1: A (Q, L)-fuzzy subset λ of G is a (Q, L)-fuzzy subgroup of G if and only if $(xy^{-1}, q) \geq \lambda(x, q) \wedge \lambda(y, q), \forall x, y \in G$ and $q \in Q$.

Proof: λ is a (Q, L)-fuzzy subgroup of G.

$$\Leftrightarrow \lambda(xy, q) \geq \lambda(x, q) \wedge \lambda(y, q) \text{ and } \lambda(x^{-1}, q) = \lambda(x, q)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \lambda(xy^{-1}, q) \geq \lambda(x, q) \wedge \lambda(y, q), \forall x, y \in G \text{ and } q \in Q$$

Definition 3.2: Let A be a (Q, L)-fuzzy subset of G. For $\alpha \in L$, a Q-level subset of A corresponding to α is the set $A_\alpha = \{x \in G, q \in Q: A(x, q) \geq \alpha\}$

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Theorem 3.3: If A is a (Q, L)–fuzzy subset of a group G. Then A is a (Q, L)–fuzzy subgroup of G if and only if A_α is a subgroup of a group G for all $\alpha \in L$.

Proof: Let $x, y \in G, q \in Q$

$$A(xy^{-1}, q) \geq A(x, q) \wedge A(y, q)$$

$$A(xy^{-1}, q) \geq \alpha$$

$\Rightarrow xy^{-1} \in A_\alpha \Rightarrow A_\alpha$ is a subgroup of a group G for all $\alpha \in L$.

Definition 3.4: A (Q, L) - fuzzy subgroup A of group G is a (Q, L)–fuzzy normal subgroup of G

$$\mu_A(xyx^{-1}, q) = \mu_A(y, q) \text{ or } \mu_A(xy, q) \geq \mu_A(yx, q) \text{ for all } x, y \in G \text{ and } q \in Q.$$

Theorem 3.5: If A is a (Q, L) – fuzzy subset of a group G. Then A is a (Q, L) – fuzzy normal subgroup of G if and only if A_α is a normal subgroup of a group G for all $\alpha \in L$.

Proof: Let A be a (Q, L)–fuzzy normal subgroup of a group G and the level subset $A_\alpha, \alpha \in L$ is a subgroup of G. Let $x \in G$ and $a \in A_\alpha$. Then $\mu_A(xax^{-1}, q) = \mu_A(a, q) \geq \alpha$. Hence A_α is a normal subgroup of a group G for all $\alpha \in L$.

Definition 3.6: Let A and B be two (Q, L) –fuzzy subgroups of G. Then A and B are said to be (Q, L) –fuzzy conjugate subgroup of G if for some $g \in G, \mu_A(x, q) = \mu_B(g^{-1}xg, q), \forall x \in G$.

Definition 3.7: Let A be a (Q, L) –fuzzy subset in a set S, the strongest (Q, L) fuzzy relation on S, that is (Q, L) –fuzzy relation on A is μ_V given by $\mu_V((x, y), q) = \mu_A(x, q) \wedge \mu_A(y, q) \forall x, y \in S$.

SECTION 4: DIRECT PRODUCT OF (Q, L)-FUZZY SUBGROUPS

Definition 4.1: Let A and B be two (Q, L)-fuzzy subsets of X and Y respectively. Then the Cartesian product of A and B is denoted by $A \times B$ and is defined as

$$A \times B = \{ \langle (x, y), q \rangle, \mu_{A \times B}((x, y), q) : x \in X, y \in Y \text{ and } q \in Q \}$$

where $\mu_{A \times B}((x, y), q) = \mu_A(x, q) \wedge \mu_B(y, q)$.

Theorem 4.2: If A and B be two (Q, L) – fuzzy subsets of X and Y respectively, then $(A \times B)_\alpha = A_\alpha \times B_\alpha$ for $\alpha \in L$.

Proof: Let $(x, y) \in (A \times B)_\alpha$ and $q \in Q$.

Then $\mu_{A \times B}((x, y), q) \geq \alpha$

$$\Leftrightarrow \mu_A(x, q) \wedge \mu_B(y, q) \geq \alpha$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \mu_A(x, q) \geq \alpha, \mu_B(y, q) \geq \alpha$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x \in A_\alpha, y \in B_\alpha$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (x, y) \in A_\alpha \times B_\alpha \text{ for } \alpha \in L$$

Hence, $(A \times B)_\alpha = A_\alpha \times B_\alpha$, for $\alpha \in L$.

Theorem 4.3: Let A and B be two (Q, L) – fuzzy subgroups of group G_1 and G_2 respectively. Then $A \times B$ is a (Q, L) – fuzzy subgroup of group $G_1 \times G_2$.

Proof: Since A and B are (Q, L) – fuzzy subgroups of group G_1 and G_2 respectively. Then A_α and B_α are subgroups of group G_1 and G_2 respectively.

$\Rightarrow A_\alpha \times B_\alpha$ is a subgroup of $G_1 \times G_2$, for $\alpha \in L$.

$\Rightarrow (A \times B)_\alpha$ is a subgroup of $G_1 \times G_2$, for $\alpha \in L$. (By thm 2.6)

$\Rightarrow A \times B$ is a (Q, L) – fuzzy subgroup of group $G_1 \times G_2$.

Theorem 4.4: Let A and B be two (Q, L) – fuzzy normal subgroups of group G_1 and G_2 respectively. Then $A \times B$ is a (Q, L) – fuzzy normal subgroup of group $G_1 \times G_2$.

Proof: Since A and B are (Q, L) – fuzzy normal subgroups of group G_1 and G_2 respectively. Then A_α and B_α are normal subgroups of group G_1 and G_2 respectively.

$\Rightarrow A_\alpha \times B_\alpha$ is a normal subgroup of $G_1 \times G_2$, for $\alpha \in L$.

$\Rightarrow (A \times B)_\alpha$ is a normal subgroup of $G_1 \times G_2$, for $\alpha \in L$. (By thm 2.6)

$\Rightarrow A \times B$ is a (Q, L) – fuzzy normal subgroup of group $G_1 \times G_2$.

Remark 4.5: Let A and B be (Q, L) – fuzzy subgroups of group G_1 and G_2 respectively. If $A \times B$ is a (Q, L) –fuzzy subgroup of group $G_1 \times G_2$, then it is not necessary that both A and B should be (Q, L) – fuzzy subgroup of group $G_1 \times G_2$.

Example 4.6: Let $G_1 = \{e_1, x\}$ where $x^2 = e_1$, $G_2 = \{e_2, a, b, ab\}$ where $a^2 = b^2 = e_2$ and $ab = ba$.

Then $G_1 \times G_2 = \{(e_1, e_2), (e_1, a), (e_1, b), (e_1, ab), (x, e_2), (x, a), (x, b), (x, ab)\}$

Let $A = \{<(e_1, q), (0.5, q)>, <(x, q), (0.8, q)>\}$ and $B = \{<(e_2, q), (0.7, q)>, <(a, q), (1, q)>, <b, q, 0.8, q>, <(ab, q), 0.7, q>\}$ be (Q, L)-fuzzy subsets of G_1 and G_2 respectively.

Then

$A \times B = \{<((e_1, e_2), q), (0.5, q)>, <((e_1, a), q), (0.5, q)>, <((e_1, b), q), (0.5, q)>, <((e_1, ab), q), (0.5, q)>, <(x, e_2, q), 0.7, q>, <(x, a, q), 0.8, q>, <(x, b, q), 0.8, q>, <(x, ab, q), 0.7, q>\}$.

Here $A \times B$ is a (Q, L)-fuzzy subgroup of $G_1 \times G_2$ where A is a (Q, L)-fuzzy subgroup of G_1 but B is not a (Q, L)-fuzzy subgroup of G_2 .

Theorem 4.7: Let A and B be (Q, L)- fuzzy subgroups of G_1 and G_2 respectively. Suppose that e_1 and e_2 are the identity element of G_1 and G_2 respectively. If $A \times B$ is a (Q, L)-Fuzzy subgroup of $G_1 \times G_2$, then at least one of the two statements must hold.

(i) $\mu_B(e_2, q) \geq \mu_A(x, q)$ for all $x \in G_1$ (ii) $\mu_A(e_1, q) \geq \mu_B(y, q)$ for all $y \in G_2$

Proof: Let $A \times B$ is a (Q, L)-Fuzzy subgroup of $G_1 \times G_2$.

Suppose that (i) and (ii) does not hold.

Then we can find some $x \in G_1$ and $y \in G_2$ such that $\mu_A(x, q) > \mu_B(e_2, q)$ and $\mu_A(e_1, q) < \mu_B(y, q)$.

Now $\mu_{A \times B}((x, y), q) = \mu_A(x, q) \wedge \mu_B(y, q) > \mu_B(e_2, q) \wedge \mu_A(e_1, q) = \mu_{A \times B}((e_1, e_2), q)$.

which implies that $A \times B$ is not a (Q, L)-Fuzzy subgroup of $G_1 \times G_2$, which is a contradiction.

Hence either $\mu_B(e_2, q) \geq \mu_A(x, q)$ for all $x \in G_1$, $q \in Q$ or $\mu_A(e_1, q) \geq \mu_B(y, q)$ for all $y \in G_2$, $q \in Q$.

Theorem 4.8: Let A and B be (Q, L)-fuzzy subsets of G_1 and G_2 respectively such that $\mu_A(x, q) \leq \mu_B(e_2, q)$, $x \in G_1$, e_2 be the identity element of G_2 , $q \in Q$. If $A \times B$ is a (Q, L)-fuzzy subgroup of $G_1 \times G_2$, then A is a (Q, L)-fuzzy subgroup of G_1 .

Proof: Let $x, y \in G_1$. Then $(x, e_2), (y, e_2) \in G_1 \times G_2$.

Since $\mu_A(x, q) \leq \mu_B(e_2, q)$, for all $x \in G_1$, $e_2 \in G_2$, $q \in Q$.

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_A(xy^{-1}, q) &= \mu_A(xy^{-1}, q) \wedge \mu_B(e_2 e_2, q) \\ &= \mu_{A \times B}((xy^{-1}, e_2 e_2), q) = \mu_{A \times B}((x, e_2)(y^{-1}, e_2), q) \\ &\geq \mu_{A \times B}((x, e_2), q) \wedge \mu_{A \times B}((y^{-1}, e_2), q) (\because A \times B \text{ is a (Q, L)-Fuzzy subgroup of } G_1 \times G_2) \\ &= (\mu_A(x, q) \wedge \mu_B(e_2, q)) \wedge (\mu_A(y^{-1}, q) \wedge \mu_B(e_2, q)) \\ &= \mu_A(x, q) \wedge \mu_A(y^{-1}, q) \\ &\geq \mu_A(x, q) \wedge \mu_A(y, q) \end{aligned}$$

Hence A is an (Q, L)-fuzzy subgroup of G_1 .

Corollary 4.9: Let A and B be (Q, L)-fuzzy subsets of G_1 and G_2 respectively such that $\mu_B(y, q) \leq \mu_B(e_1, q)$ holds for all $y \in G_2$, $q \in Q$. e_1 being the identity element of G_1 . If $A \times B$ is a (Q, L)-fuzzy subgroup of $G_1 \times G_2$, then B is a (Q, L)-fuzzy subgroup of G_2 .

SECTION 5: OTHER PROPERTIES ON (Q, L) – FUZZY SUBGROUPS

Theorem 5.1: Let A, C be (Q, L) -fuzzy subgroups of G_1 and B, D be (Q, L) -fuzzy subgroups of G_2 respectively such that A, C be (Q, L) -fuzzy conjugate subgroups of G_1 and B, D be (Q, L) -fuzzy conjugate subgroups of G_2 . Then $A \times B$ of $G_1 \times G_2$ is conjugate to the (Q, L) -fuzzy conjugate subgroup $C \times D$ of $G_1 \times G_2$.

Proof: Since A and C are (Q, L) -fuzzy conjugate subgroups of G_1 , $\exists g_1 \in G_1$ such that

$$\mu_A(x, q) = \mu_C(g_1^{-1}xg_1, q), \forall x \in G_1.$$

Since B and D are (Q, L) -fuzzy conjugate subgroups of G_2 , $\exists g_2 \in G_2$ such that $\mu_B(y, q) = \mu_D(g_2^{-1}yg_2, q), \forall y \in G_2$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } \mu_{A \times B}((x, y), q) &= \mu_A(x, q) \wedge \mu_B(y, q) = \mu_C(g_1^{-1}xg_1, q) \wedge \mu_D(g_2^{-1}yg_2, q) \\ &= \mu_{C \times D}((g_1^{-1}xg_1, g_2^{-1}yg_2), q) = \mu_{C \times D}((g_1^{-1}, g_2^{-1})(x, y)(g_1, g_2), q) \end{aligned}$$

Hence the (Q, L) –fuzzy subgroup $A \times B$ is conjugate to the (Q, L) –fuzzy subgroup $C \times D$.

Theorem 5.2: Let A be a (Q, L) -fuzzy subset of a group G and V be the strongest fuzzy (Q, L) -fuzzy relation on G . Then A is a (Q, L) -fuzzy subgroup of G iff V is (Q, L) -fuzzy subgroup of $G \times G$.

Proof: Let A be a (Q, L) -fuzzy subgroup of G .

Let $x = (x_1, x_2), y = (y_1, y_2) \in G \times G$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_V(xy, q) &= \mu_V((x_1, x_2)(y_1, y_2), q) = \mu_V((x_1y_1, x_2y_2), q) = \mu_A(x_1y_1, q) \wedge \mu_A(x_2y_2, q) \\ &\geq (\mu_A(x_1, q) \wedge \mu_A(y_1, q)) \wedge (\mu_A(x_2, q) \wedge \mu_A(y_2, q)) \\ &= (\mu_A(x_1, q) \wedge \mu_A(x_2, q)) \wedge (\mu_A(y_1, q) \wedge \mu_A(y_2, q)) \\ &= \mu_V((x_1, x_2), q) \wedge \mu_V((y_1, y_2), q). \end{aligned}$$

$$\mu_V(xy, q) \geq \mu_V(x, q) \wedge \mu_V(y, q)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_V(x^{-1}, q) &= \mu_V((x_1, x_2)^{-1}, q) = \mu_V((x_1^{-1}, x_2^{-1}), q) \\ &= \mu_A(x_1^{-1}, q) \wedge \mu_A(x_2^{-1}, q) \\ &= \mu_A(x_1, q) \wedge \mu_A(x_2, q) = \mu_V(x, q). \end{aligned}$$

Hence V is a (Q, L) -fuzzy subgroup of $G \times G$.

Lemma 5.3: For $a, b \in L$, m is positive integer (i) If $a < b$, then $a^m < b^m$ (ii) $(a \wedge b)^m = a^m \wedge b^m$

Proof: It is obvious.

Theorem 5.4: Let A be a (Q, L) -fuzzy subgroup of G . Then $A^m = \{ \langle (x, q), (\mu_A(x, q))^m \rangle : x \in G, q \in Q \}$ is a (Q, L) -fuzzy subgroup of G^m , where m is a positive integer.

Proof: Let G be a group. Then (G, \cdot) is a group. Hence (G^m, \cdot) is also a group

Let A be a (Q, L) -fuzzy subgroup of G . Let $x, y \in G$ and $q \in Q$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{A^m}(xy, q) &= (\mu_A(xy), q)^m \geq (\mu_A(x, q) \wedge \mu_A(y, q))^m \\ &= (\mu_A(x, q))^m \wedge (\mu_A(y, q))^m \\ &= \mu_{A^m}(x, q) \wedge \mu_{A^m}(y, q) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{A^m}(x^{-1}, q) &= (\mu_A(x^{-1}, q))^m \\ &= (\mu_A(x, q))^m \\ &= \mu_{A^m}(x, q) \end{aligned}$$

Hence A^m is a (Q, L) -fuzzy subgroup of G^m .

Theorem 5.5: If A and A^c are (Q, L) -fuzzy subgroups of G , A is a constant (Q, L) -fuzzy subset of G .

Proof: Since A and A^c are (Q, L) -fuzzy subgroups of G , it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_A(xx^{-1}, q) &\geq \mu_A(x, q) \wedge \mu_A(x^{-1}, q), \forall x, x^{-1} \in G, q \in Q \\ \mu_{A^c}(xx^{-1}, q) &\geq \mu_{A^c}(x, q) \wedge \mu_{A^c}(x^{-1}, q), \forall x, x^{-1} \in G, q \in Q \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\Rightarrow 1 - \mu_A(xx^{-1}, q) \geq (1 - \mu_A(x, q)) \wedge (1 - \mu_A(x^{-1}, q)) \\
 &\Rightarrow 1 - [(1 - \mu_A(x, q)) \wedge (1 - \mu_A(x^{-1}, q))] \geq \mu_A(xx^{-1}, q) \\
 &\Rightarrow \mu_A(x, q) \vee \mu_A(x^{-1}, q) \geq \mu_A(xx^{-1}, q)
 \end{aligned} \tag{2}.$$

From (1) & (2) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\mu_A(x, q) \wedge \mu_A(x^{-1}, q) \leq \mu_A(xx^{-1}, q) \leq \mu_A(x, q) \vee \mu_A(x^{-1}, q) \\
 &\Rightarrow \mu_A(x, q) \leq \mu_A(e, q) \leq \mu_A(x, q). \\
 &\Rightarrow \mu_A(x, q) = \mu_A(e, q), \forall x \in G, q \in Q. \text{ Therefore A is constant.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 5.6: If A^n and A^m are (Q, L)-fuzzy subgroups of G^m , then $A^n \vee A^m$ is also a (Q, L)-fuzzy subgroup of G^m if $n < m$.

Proof: Since $n < m$, then it follows that $A^n \subset A^m$ and $\mu_{A^n}(x, q) \leq \mu_{A^m}(x, q)$.

Now

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mu_{A^n \vee A^m}(xy, q) &= \mu_{A^n}(xy, q) \vee \mu_{A^m}(xy, q) = (\mu_A(xy, q))^n \vee (\mu_A(xy, q))^m \\
 &= (\mu_A(xy, q))^m \\
 &\geq (\mu_A(x, q))^m \wedge (\mu_A(y, q))^m \\
 &= ((\mu_A(x, q))^n \vee (\mu_A(x, q))^m) \wedge ((\mu_A(y, q))^n \vee (\mu_A(y, q))^m) \\
 &= \mu_{A^n \vee A^m}(x, q) \wedge \mu_{A^n \vee A^m}(y, q)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mu_{A^n \vee A^m}(x, q) &= \mu_{A^n}(x, q) \vee \mu_{A^m}(x, q) = (\mu_A(x, q))^n \vee (\mu_A(x, q))^m \\
 &= (\mu_A(x^{-1}, q))^n \vee (\mu_A(x^{-1}, q))^m \\
 &= \mu_{A^n}(x^{-1}, q) \vee \mu_{A^m}(x^{-1}, q) \\
 &= \mu_{A^n \vee A^m}(x^{-1}, q)
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $A^n \vee A^m$ is also a (Q, L)-fuzzy subgroup of G^m .

Theorem 5.7: If $A^n (n = 1, 2, \dots), A^i \subseteq A^j$ for $i \leq j$ is a (Q, L)-fuzzy subgroup, then $A = A \vee A^2 \vee A^3 \vee \dots$ is also a (Q, L)-fuzzy subgroup.

Proof: Since $A^i \vee A^j$ is also a (Q, L)-fuzzy subgroup for $i \leq j$, also $A^i \subseteq A^j$ for $i \leq j$.

Hence, $A = A \vee A^2 \vee A^3 \vee \dots$ is a (Q, L)-fuzzy subgroup.

CONCLUSION

In this paper, we have discussed the direct product of (Q, L)-fuzzy groups, (Q, L)-fuzzy conjugate groups, and direct product of (Q, L)-fuzzy conjugate groups. Also we have conclude that positive integral powers of a (Q, L)-fuzzy group is a (Q, L)-fuzzy group. This concept can be extended for new results.

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