# S-Fuzzy Left h-Ideal of Hemirings

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**Abstract**—The notion of S-fuzzy left *h*-ideals in a hemiring is introduced and it's basic properties are investigated. We also study the homomorphic image and preimage of S-fuzzy left *h*-ideal of hemirings. Using a collection of left *h*-ideals of a hemiring, S-fuzzy left *h*-ideal of hemirings are established. The notion of a finitevalued S-fuzzy left *h*-ideal is introduced, and its characterization is given. S-fuzzy relations on hemirings are discussed. The notion of direct product and S-product are introduced and some properties of the direct product and S-product of S-fuzzy left *h*-ideal of hemiring are also discussed.

 ${\it Keywords}{--}$  hemiring, left  $h{-}{\rm ideal},{\rm anti}$  fuzzy  $h{-}{\rm ideal},{S}{-}{\rm fuzzy}$  left hideal,  $t{-}{\rm conorm}$  , homomorphism.

# I. INTRODUCTION

HE concept of fuzzy subset was introduced by L.A.Zadeh [8]. Fuzzy set theory is a useful tool to describe situations in which the data are imprecise or vague. Fuzzy sets handle such situation by attributing a degree to which a certain object belongs to a set. B.Schweizer and A.Sklar [5,6] introduced the notions of Triangular norm (t-norm) and Triangular conorm (t-conorm).Triangular norm (t-norm) and Triangular conorm (t-conorm or s-norm) are the most general families of binary operations that satisfy the requirement of the conjunction and disjunction operators respectively. The ideal theory plays an important role in algebraic structure.La Torre [7] studied the notion of h-ideals and k-ideals in hemirings. Then Y.B Jun et. al[4] introduced the notion of fuzzy h-ideal of hemirings and discussed related properties. First, Abu Osman [1] introduced the notion of fuzzy subgroup with respect to t-norm. Following this, J.Zhan [9] introduced the notion of T-fuzzy left h-ideal of hemirings. Then, J. Zhan [10] introduced the notion of fuzzy hyper ideals in hyper near-rings with respect to tnorm.Recently,Y.U Cho et. al[3] introduced the notion of fuzzy subalgebras with respect to t-conorm of BCK-algebras and M.Akram et. al.[2] introduced the notion of sensible fuzzy ideal with respect to t-conorm in BCK-algebras. Using the idea of [2] and [3], In this paper we introduce the notion of S-fuzzy left h-ideal of hemirings and investigate it is related properties. Also, we review several results described in [9] using *t*-conorm.

### II. PRELIMINARIES

An algebra (R; +, .) is said to be a *semiring* if (R; +) and (R; .) are semigroups satisfying a. (b + c) = a.b + a.c and (b + c).a = b.a + c.a for all  $a, b, c \in R.A$  semiring R is said to be *additively commutative* if a + b = b + a for all  $a, b, c \in S$ . A semiring R may have an identity 1, defined by

1.a = a = a.1 and a zero 0, defined by 0 + a = a = a + 0and a.0 = 0 = 0.a for all  $a \in R.A$  semiring R is said to be a *hemiring* if it is an additively commutative with zero.A nonempty subset I of R is said to be a *left (resp., right ideal*) if  $x, y \in I$  and  $r \in R$  imply that  $x + y \in I$  and  $rx \in I$  $(resp., xr \in I)$ . If I is both left and right ideal of R, we say I is a *two-sided ideal, or simply ideal*, of R. A left ideal I of a semiring R is said to be a k-*ideal* if  $a \in I$  and  $x \in R$ , and if  $x + a \in I$  or  $a + x \in I$  then  $x \in I$ . Right k-ideal is defined dually, and two-sided k-ideal or simply a k-ideal is both a left and a right k-ideal.A left ideal I of a hemiring R is called a *left h-ideal* if x + a + z = b + z implies that  $x \in I$  for all  $x, y \in R$  and  $a, b \in R$ .Right h-ideals are defined similarly.

Definition 2.1: Let X be a non-empty set. A fuzzy subset of X is a function  $\mu: X \to [0, 1]$ . Let  $\mu$  be the fuzzy subset of a set X. For a fixed  $0 \le t \le 1$ , the set

$$L(\mu; t) = \{x \in X : \mu(x) \le t\}$$

is called a *lower level set* or simply *level set* of  $\mu$ .

Definition 2.2: A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of a hemiring R is said to be *fuzzy left (resp., right) ideal* of R if

 $\begin{array}{l} (FI1)\mu\left(x+y\right)\geq\min\left\{\mu\left(x\right),\mu\left(y\right)\right\} \text{ and } \\ (FI2)\mu\left(xy\right)\geq\mu\left(y\right) \quad (resp.\,,\mu\left(xy\right)>\mu\left(x\right)) \\ \text{for all } x,y\in R \ . \end{array}$ 

If  $\mu$  is a *fuzzy ideal* of R if it is both fuzzy left and a fuzzy right ideal of R.

Definition 2.3: A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of a hemiring R is said to be an *anti fuzzy left (resp., right) ideal* of R if

 $(FI1)\mu(x+y) \le \max{\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}}$  and

 $(FI2)\mu(xy) \le \mu(y) \quad (resp., \mu(xy) \le \mu(x))$ 

for all 
$$x, y \in R$$
.

If  $\mu$  is an *anti fuzzy ideal* of R if it is both an anti fuzzy left and anti fuzzy right ideal of R.

Definition 2.4: Let R and R' be hemirings. A mapping  $f: R \to R'$  is said to be a homomorphism if

f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y) and f(xy) = f(x)f(y) for all  $x, y \in R$ .

Definition 2.5: A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of a hemiring R is said to be a *fuzzy left (resp., right)* h-ideal of R if

 $(AFI1)\mu(x+y) \ge \min \{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$  and

$$(AFI2)\mu(xy) \ge \mu(y) \quad (resp., \mu(xy) \ge \mu(x))$$

for all  $x, y \in R$ .

(AFI3) If x + a + z = b + z implies that

 $\mu(x) \ge \min\{\mu(a), \mu(b)\}, \text{ for all } a, b, x, z \in S.$ 

If  $\mu$  is *fuzzy h-ideal* of R if it is both a fuzzy left and fuzzy right *h*-ideal of R.

Definition 2.6: A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of a hemiring R is said to be an *anti fuzzy left (resp., right)* h-ideal of R if

 $(AFI1)\mu(x+y) \le \max{\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}}$  and

 $(AFI2)\mu(xy) \le \mu(y) \quad (resp., \mu(xy) \le \mu(x))$ 

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 $\mu(x) \leq max\{\mu(a), \mu(b)\}, \text{ for all } a, b, x, z \in S.$ 

If  $\mu$  is an *anti fuzzy h-ideal* of R it is both an anti fuzzy left h-ideal and anti fuzzy right h-ideal of R.

Definition 2.7: A triangular conorm (t-conorm) is a mapping  $S: [0,1] \times [0,1] \longrightarrow [0,1]$  that satisfies the following conditions:

 $(S1)\,S(x,0) = x,$ 

(S2) S(x, y) = S(y, x),

(S3) S(x, S(y, z)) = S(S(x, y), z),

 $(S4) S(x, y) \leq S(x, z)$  whenever  $y \leq z$ ,

for all  $x, y, z \in [0, 1]$ .

Replacing 0 by 1 in condition S, we obtain the concept of t-norm T.

Proposition 2.8: For a t-conorm S.Then the following statement holds  $S(x, y) \ge max(x, y)$ , for all  $x, y \in [0, 1]$ .

Definition 2.9: Let S be a t-conorm. A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  in a hemiring R is called *sensible* with respect to Sif  $Im\mu \subseteq \triangle_S$ , where  $\triangle_S = \{t \in [0,1] | S(t,t) = t\}$ .

# **III. S-FUZZY LEFT H-IDEALS IN HEMIRINGS**

In what follows, R and S denotes a hemiring and t-conorm respectively, unless otherwise specified.

Definition 3.1: A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of R is called a S-fuzzy *left ideal* of a hemiring R (briefly, fuzzy left ideal with respect to t-conorm ) if it satisfies the following conditions:

 $(SFI1)\mu(x+y) \le S(\mu(x), \mu(y)),$ 

 $(SFI2)\mu(xy) \le \mu(y)$ , for all  $x, y \in S$ .

S-fuzzy right ideals are defined similarly.

Definition 3.2: A S-fuzzy ideal  $\mu$  of R is said to be a S-fuzzy left h-ideal if it satisfies the following condition:

(SFI3)x+a+z = b+z implies that  $\mu(x) \leq S(\mu(a), \mu(b)),$ for all  $a, b, x, z \in S$ .

S-fuzzy right h-ideals are defined similarly.

Definition 3.3: A S-fuzzy left h-ideal  $\mu$  of R is said to be a sensible if it satisfies the sensible property.

*Example 3.4*: Let R be the set of natural numbers including 0, and R is a hemiring with usual addition and multiplication .Define a fuzzy subset  $\mu: R \longrightarrow [0, 1]$  by

$$\mu(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & if x is even or 0, \\ 1 & otherwise. \end{cases}$$

and let  $S_m: [0,1] \times [0,1] \longrightarrow [0,1]$  be a function defined by  $S_m(\alpha,\beta) = min\{x+y,1\}$  for all  $x,y \in [0,1]$ . Then,  $S_m$  is a *t*-conorm.By routine calculation, we know that  $\mu$  is a sensible S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R.

Proposition 3.5: Let S be a t-conorm .Then, every sensible S-fuzzy left h-ideal  $\mu$  of a hemiring R is a anti fuzzy left hideal of R.

*Proof:* The proof is obtained dually by using the notion of t-conorm S instead of t-norm T in [9].

Corollary 3.6: If  $\mu$  is a sensible S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R, then each non-empty level subset  $L(\mu; t)$  of  $\mu$  is a left h-ideal of R.

*Proof:* Assume that  $\mu$  is a sensible S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R and  $L(\mu; t)$  is a non-empty level subset of  $\mu$  in R.

(i) Since  $L(\mu; t)$  is a non-empty level subset of  $\mu$ , there exists

 $x, y \in L(\mu; t)$ ,  $\mu(x + y) \leq S(\mu(x), \mu(y)) = t$ . Thus  $x + y \in L(\mu; t)$ . (ii) Let  $x, y \in L(\mu; t)$ , such that  $\mu(xy) \le \mu(y) \le t$ . Thus  $xy \in L(\mu; t)$ . (iii) Let  $a, b, x, z \in L(\mu; t)$ , If x + a + z = b + z implies that  $\mu(x) \leq S(\mu(a), \mu(b)) = t$ . Thus  $x \in L(\mu; t)$ 

Hence,  $L(\mu; t)$  is a left h-ideal of R.

The following example shows that there exists a *t*-conorm S such that an anti fuzzy h-ideal of R may not be an sensible S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R.

*Example 3.7:* Let R be a hemiring in Example[3.4]. Define a fuzzy subset  $\mu: R \longrightarrow [0,1]$  by

$$\mu(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{5} & if \ x \ is \ even \ or \ 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} & otherwise. \end{cases}$$

is an anti fuzzy h-ideal of R.

Let  $\nu = (0, 1)$  and define the binary operation  $S_{\nu}$  on (0, 1) as follows

$$S_{\nu}(\alpha,\beta) = \begin{cases} \max \{\alpha,\beta\} & if \min \{\alpha,\beta\} = 0, \\ 0 & \max \{\alpha,\beta\} > 0, \ \alpha+\beta \ge 1+\nu \\ \nu & otherwise. \end{cases}$$

Then,  $S_{\nu}$  is a *t*-conorm. It is easy to check that  $\mu$  is a *S*-fuzzy left h-ideal of R, but

$$S_{\nu}(\mu(0),\mu(0)) = S_{\nu}\left(\frac{1}{5},\frac{1}{5}\right) = \nu \neq \mu(0)$$

Hence,  $\mu$  is not a sensible S-fuzzy left h-ideal R.

Now, we consider the following theorem.

Theorem 3.8: Let S be a t-conorm and let  $\mu$  be a sensible fuzzy subset in a hemiring R, then  $\mu$  is a sensible S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R if and only if each non-empty level subset  $L(\mu; t)$  of  $\mu$  is a left *h*-ideal of *R*.

The necessary condition can be given by Proof: corollary[3.6].Coversely, assume that each non-empty level subset  $L(\mu; t)$  is a left *h*-ideal of *R*.

(i) Let  $x, y \in R$ .Let if possible, $\mu(x + y) > S(\mu(x), \mu(y))$ .Set  $t_0 := \frac{1}{2} \{ \mu(x+y) + S(\mu(x), \mu(y)) \}, \text{we have } x \in L(\mu; t_0) \}$ and  $y \in L(\mu; t_0)$ , since  $L(\mu; t)$  is a left h-ideal of R. Then  $x + y \in L(\mu; t_0)$  and  $\mu(x + y) \leq t_0$ , a contradiction. Thus  $\mu(x+y) \le S(\mu(x), \mu(y)).$ 

(ii) If  $x, y \in L(\mu; t)$  then  $xy \in L(\mu; t)$ . Then

 $\mu(xy) \le \mu(y) \le t$ . Thus  $\mu(xy) \le \mu(y)$ .

(iii) Let  $a, b, x, z \in R$ . If x + a + z = b + z implies that  $x \in L(\mu; t)$ . Define  $t = min\{\mu(a), \mu(b)\}$ . Then  $\mu(x) \leq t =$  $\min\{\mu(a), \mu(b)\}$ . Thus  $\mu(x) \le \max\{\mu(a), \mu(b)\}$ .

Hence,  $\mu$  is a sensible S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R. Definition 3.9: Let R be a hemiring and a family of fuzzy

sets  $\{\mu_i | i \in I\}$  in *R*. Then the union  $\left(\bigvee_{i \in I} \mu_i\right)$  of  $\{\mu_i | i \in I\}$ is defined by

$$\left(\bigvee_{i\in I}\mu_i\right)(x) = \sup\left\{\mu_i(x)|i\in I\right\}$$

Theorem 3.10: If  $\{\mu_i | i \in I\}$  is a family of S-fuzzy left hideal of R, then  $(\bigvee_{i \in I} \mu_i)(x)$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R.

*Proof:* Let  $\{\mu_i | i \in I\}$  be a family of S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R.

(i)For all 
$$x, y \in R$$
,we have

$$\begin{split} \left(\bigvee_{i\in I} \mu_i\right)(x+y) &= \sup\left\{\mu_i(x+y)|i\in I\right\}\\ &\leq \sup\left\{S\left(\mu_i(x),\mu_i(y)\right)|i\in I\right\}\\ &= S\left(\sup\left(\mu_i(x)|i\in I\right),\sup\left(\mu_i(y)|i\in I\right)\right)\\ &= S\left(\left(\bigvee_{i\in I} \mu_i\right)(x),\left(\bigvee_{i\in I} \mu_i\right)(y)\right) \end{split}$$

(ii) For all  $x, y \in R$ , we have

$$\left(\bigvee_{i\in I} \mu_i\right)(xy) = \sup\left\{\mu_i(xy)|i\in I\right\}$$
$$\leq \sup\left\{S\left(\mu_i(x)\right)|i\in I\right\}$$
$$= S\left(\left(\bigvee_{i\in I} \mu_i\right)(x)\right)$$
(iii) For all  $a, b, x, z\in R$  and if  $x + a + z = b + z$  then

$$\left(\bigvee_{i\in I} \mu_i\right)(x) = \sup\left\{\mu_i(x)|i\in I\right\}$$
$$\leq \sup\left\{S\left(\mu_i(a),\mu_i(b)\right)|i\in I\right\}$$
$$= S\left(\sup\left(\mu_i(a)|i\in I\right),\sup\left(\mu_i(b)|i\in I\right)\right)$$
$$= S\left(\left(\bigvee_{i\in I} \mu_i\right)(a),\left(\bigvee_{i\in I} \mu_i\right)(b)\right)$$

Hence  $\left(\bigvee_{i\in I}\mu_i\right)$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R.

Definition 3.11: Let  $f : R \longrightarrow R'$  be a mapping ,where R and R' are non-empty sets and  $\mu$  is a fuzzy subset of R. The preimage of  $\mu$  under f written  $\mu^f$ , is a fuzzy subset of R defined by  $\mu^f = \mu(f(x))$ , for all  $x \in R$ .

Theorem 3.12: Let  $f : R \longrightarrow R'$  be a homomorphism of hemirings. If  $\mu$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R', then  $\mu^f$  is S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R.

*Proof:* Suppose  $\mu$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R', then (i) For all  $x, y \in R$ , we have

$$\mu^{f} (x + y) = \mu (f (x + y)) = \mu (f(x) + f(y))$$
  

$$\leq S (\mu (f(x)), \mu (f(y)))$$
  

$$= S (\mu^{f}(x), \mu^{f}(y))$$

(ii)For all  $x, y \in R$ ,we have

$$\begin{split} \mu^{f}\left(xy\right) &= \mu\left(f\left(xy\right)\right) = \mu\left(f(x)f(y)\right) \\ &\leq \mu\left(f(y)\right) = \mu^{f}(y) \end{split}$$

(iii)For all  $a, b, x, z \in R$  and if x + a + z = b + z then

$$\begin{aligned} \mu^{f}\left(x\right) &= \mu\left(f\left(x\right)\right) \\ &\leq S\left(\mu\left(f(a)\right), \mu\left(f(b)\right)\right) \\ &= S\left(\mu^{f}(a), \mu^{f}(b)\right) \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\mu^f$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R.

Theorem 3.13: Let  $f : R \longrightarrow R'$  be a homomorphism of hemirings. If  $\mu^f$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R ,then  $\mu$  is S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R'.

*Proof:* Suppose  $\mu$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R', then (i)Let  $x', y' \in R'$ , there exists  $x, y \in R$  such that f(x) = x' and f(y) = y', we have

$$\begin{split} \mu \left( x' + y' \right) &= \mu \left( f \left( x \right) + f \left( y \right) \right) \\ &= \mu \left( f \left( x + y \right) \right) \\ &= \mu^{f} \left( x + y \right) \\ &\leq S \left( \mu^{f}(x), \mu^{f}(y) \right) \\ &= S \left( \mu \left( f(x) \right), \mu \left( f(y) \right) \right) \\ &= S \left( \mu \left( x' \right), \mu \left( y' \right) \right) \end{split}$$

(ii)Let  $x',y' \in R'$  , there exists  $x,y \in R$  such that f(x) = x' and f(y) = y' ,we have

$$\mu (x'y') = \mu (f (x) f (y)) = \mu (f (xy)) = \mu^{f} (xy) \leq \mu^{f} (y) = \mu (f(y)) = \mu (y')$$

(iii)Let  $a', b', x', z' \in R'$ , there exists  $a, b, x, z \in R$  such that f(a) = a', f(b) = b', f(x) = x', f(z) = z'. If x' + a' + z' = b'+z'. Then f(x+a+z) = f(b+z) and so f(x)+f(a)+f(z) = f(b) + f(z). It follows that

$$\mu (x') = \mu (f (x)) = \mu^{f} (x) \leq S (\mu^{f}(a), \mu^{f}(b)) = S (\mu (f(a)), \mu (f(b))) = S (\mu (a'), \mu (b'))$$

Hence  $\mu$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R'.

Definition 3.14: Let f be a mapping defined on R.If  $\nu$  is a fuzzy subset in f(R), then the fuzzy subset  $\mu = \nu \circ f$  in R(i.e., the fuzzy subset defined by  $\mu(x) = \nu(f(x))$  for all  $x \in R$ ) is called the *preimage* of  $\nu$  under f.

Proposition 3.15: An onto homomorphic preimage of a S-fuzzy left h-ideal R is S-fuzzy left h-ideal.

*Proof:* The proof is obtained dually by using the notion of t-conorm S instead of t-norm T in [9, Proposition 3.10].

Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy subset in a hemiring R and f be a mapping defined on R. Then the fuzzy subset  $\mu^f$  in f(R) defined by  $\mu^f(y) = \inf_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} \mu(x)$  for all  $y \in f(R)$  is called the *image* of  $\mu$  under f. A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  in R is said to have an *inf property* if for every subset  $H \subseteq R$ , there exists  $h_0 \in H$  such that  $\mu(h_0) = \inf_{h \in H} \mu(h)$ .

Proposition 3.16: An onto homomorphic image of S-fuzzy left h-ideal with inf property is S-fuzzy left h-ideal.

*Proof:* Let  $f : R \longrightarrow R'$  be an onto homomorphism of semirings and let  $\mu$  be a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R with the inf property.

(i)Given  $x', y' \in R'$ , we let  $x_0 \in f^{-1}(x')$  and  $y_0 \in f^{-1}(y')$  be such that

$$\mu(x_0) = \inf_{h \in f^{-1}(x')} \mu(h), \ \mu(y_0) = \inf_{h \in f^{-1}(y')} \mu(h)$$

respectively. Then , we have

$$\mu^{f} (x' + y') = \inf_{z \in f^{-1}(x' + y')} \mu (z) \le \max \{ \mu (x_{0}), \mu (y_{0}) \}$$
$$\le S (\mu (x_{0}), \mu (y_{0}))$$
$$= S \left( \inf_{h \in f^{-1}(x')} \mu (h), \inf_{h \in f^{-1}(y')} \mu (h) \right)$$
$$= S \left( \mu^{f} (x'), \mu^{f} (y') \right)$$

(ii)Given  $x',y' \in R', \mbox{we let } x_0 \in f^{-1}(x') \mbox{ and } y_0 \in f^{-1}(y')$  be such that

$$\mu(x_0) = \inf_{h \in f^{-1}(x')} \mu(h), \ \mu(y_0) = \inf_{h \in f^{-1}(y')} \mu(h)$$

respectively. Then , we have

$$\mu^{f}(x'y') = \inf_{\substack{z \in f^{-1}(x'y') \\ h \in f^{-1}(y')}} \mu(z) \le \mu(y_{0})$$
$$= \inf_{\substack{h \in f^{-1}(y') \\ h \in f^{-1}(y')}} \mu(h) = \mu^{f}(y')$$

(ii) Given  $a',b',x',y'\in R'$  , we let  $a_0\in f^{-1}(a'),$   $b_0\in f^{-1}(b')$  ,  $x_0\in f^{-1}(x')$  ,  $z_0\in f^{-1}(z')$  be such that

$$\mu(a_0) = \inf_{h \in f^{-1}(a')} \mu(h), \ \mu(b_0) = \inf_{h \in f^{-1}(b')} \mu(h)$$
$$\mu(x_0) = \inf_{h \in f^{-1}(x')} \mu(h), \ \mu(z_0) = \inf_{h \in f^{-1}(z')} \mu(h)$$

respectively. If x'+a'+z'=b'+z' then  $x_0+a_0+z_0=b_0+z_0$ , where  $(x_0+a_0+z_0)\in f^{-1}(x'+a'+z')$  and  $(b_0+z_0)\in f^{-1}(b'+z'),$  we have

$$\mu^{f}(x') = \inf_{z \in f^{-1}(x')} \mu(z) \le \max \{\mu(a_{0}), \mu(b_{0})\}\$$
$$= S\left(\inf_{h \in f^{-1}(a')} \mu(h), \inf_{h \in f^{-1}(b')} \mu(h)\right)\$$
$$= S\left(\mu^{f}(a'), \mu^{f}(b')\right)$$

Hence, $\mu^f$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R'.

Definition 3.17: A t-conorm S on [0,1] is called a continuous t-conorm if S is a continuous function from  $[0,1] \times [0,1] \longrightarrow [0,1]$  with respect to usual topology.

We observe that the function " max " is always a continuous t-conorm

Proposition 3.18: Let S be a continuous t-conorm and let f be a homomorphism on a hemiring R.If  $\mu$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R, then  $\mu^f$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of f(R).

*Proof:* Let 
$$A_1 = f^{-1}(y_1), A_2 = f^{-1}(y_2)$$
 and  $A_{12} = f^{-1}(y_1 + y_2)$ , where  $y_1 + y_2 \in f(R)$ . Consider the set

$$A_1 + A_2 = \{ x \in R | x = a_1 + a_2 \text{ for some } a_1 \in A_1, a_2 \in A_2 \}$$

If  $x\in A_1+A_2$ ,then  $x=x_1+x_2$  for some  $x_1\in A_1$  and  $x_2\in A_2$  so that we have  $f(x)=f(x_1+x_2)=f(x_1)+f(x_2)=y_1+y_2$ ,that is ,  $x\in f^{-1}(y_1+y_2)=A_{12}$ .Thus ,

 $A_1 + A_2 \subseteq A_{12}$ . It follows that

$$\mu^{f}(y_{1} + y_{2}) = \inf \left\{ \mu(x) | x \in f^{-1}(x_{1} + x_{2}) \right\}$$
  
=  $\inf \left\{ \mu(x) | x \in A_{12} \right\}$   
 $\leq \inf \left\{ \mu(x) | x \in A_{1} + A_{2} \right\}$   
 $\leq \inf \left\{ \mu(x_{1} + x_{2}) | x_{1} \in A_{1}, x_{2} \in A_{2} \right\}$   
 $\leq \inf \left\{ S(\mu(x_{1}), \mu(x_{2})) | x_{1} \in A_{1}, x_{2} \in A_{2} \right\}$ 

Since S is continuous for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , we see that if

$$inf\{\mu(x_1)|x_1 \in A_1\} - x_1^* \le \delta$$
 and  
 $inf\{\mu(x_2)|x_2 \in A_2\} - x_2^* \le \delta$ ,then

 $S\left(\inf \left\{ \mu(x_{1}) | x_{1} \in A_{1} \right\}, \inf \left\{ \mu(x_{2}) | x_{2} \in A_{2} \right\} \right) - S\left(x_{1}^{*}, x_{2}^{*}\right) \leq \epsilon$ 

Choose  $a_1 \in A_1$  and  $a_2 \in A_2$ , such that

$$inf\{\mu(x_1)|x_1 \in A_1\} - \mu(a_1) \le \delta$$
 and  
 $inf\{\mu(x_2)|x_2 \in A_2\} - \mu(a_2) \le \delta$ ,then

$$S(\inf \{\mu(x_1) | x_1 \in A_1\}, \inf \{\mu(x_2) | x_2 \in A_2\}) -S(\mu(a_1), \mu(a_2)) \le \varepsilon$$

Thus, we have

$$(i)\mu^{f} (y_{1} + y_{2}) \leq \inf \{ S(\mu(x_{1}), \mu(x_{2})) | x_{1} \in A_{1}, x_{2} \in A_{2} \}$$
  
=  $S(\inf \{\mu(x_{1}) | x_{1} \in A_{1} \}, \inf \{\mu(x_{2}) | x_{2} \in A_{2} \})$   
=  $S(\mu^{f} (y_{1}), \mu^{f} (y_{2}))$ 

(ii)Similarly, we can prove that

$$\mu^f\left(y_1y_2\right) \le \mu^f\left(y_2\right)$$

(iii) Now , let  $a_1,b_1,x_1,z_1 \in f(R)$  be such that  $x_1+a_1+z_1=b_1+z_1.$  we can prove that

$$\mu^{f}(x_{1}) \leq S\left(\mu^{f}(a_{1}), \mu^{f}(b_{1})\right)$$

Hence,  $\mu^f$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of f(R).

Lemma 3.19: Let T be a t-norm. Then t-conorm S can be defined as

$$S(x,y) = 1 - T(1-x,1-y).$$
 Proof: Straightforward.

Theorem 3.20: A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of R is a T-fuzzy left h-ideal if and only if its complement  $\mu^c$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R.

*Proof:* Let  $\mu$  be a *T*-fuzzy left *h*-ideal of *R*. (i) For all  $x, y \in R$ ,we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu^{c} \left( x + y \right) &= 1 - \mu \left( x + y \right) \\ &\leq 1 - T \left( \mu \left( x \right), \mu \left( y \right) \right) \\ &= 1 - T \left( 1 - \mu^{c} \left( x \right), 1 - \mu^{c} \left( y \right) \right) \\ &= S \left( \mu^{c} \left( x \right), \mu^{c} \left( y \right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

(ii)For all  $x, y \in R$ ,we have

$$\mu^{c}(xy) = 1 - \mu(xy) \le 1 - \mu(y) = \mu^{c}(y)$$

(iii)For all  $a, b, x, z \in R$ ,If x + a + z = b + z such that

$$\mu^{c}(x) = 1 - \mu(x) \\ \leq 1 - T(\mu(a), \mu(b)) \\ = 1 - T(1 - \mu^{c}(a), 1 - \mu^{c}(b)) \\ = S(\mu^{c}(a), \mu^{c}(b))$$

Hence  $\mu^c(x)$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R. The converse is proved similarly.

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Let  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  be a fuzzy subset in a hemiring R.Then the S-h-product of  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  is defined by

$$\mu \circ_h \nu (x) = \begin{cases} \inf \left( S \left( \mu(a_i), \mu(b_i) \right) \mid i = 1, 2 \right) \\ if x \ can \ be \ expressed \ as \\ x + a_1 b_1 + z = a_2 b_2 + z, \\ 0 \qquad otherwise. \end{cases}$$

Proposition 4.1: Let  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  be a fuzzy subset of R. If they are S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R, then so  $\mu \cup \nu$ , where  $\mu \cup \nu$  is defined by  $(\mu \cup \nu)(x) = S(\mu(x), \nu(x))$  for all  $x \in R$ . Moreover, If  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  are a S-fuzzy right h-ideal and a S-fuzzy left h-ideal respectively, then  $\mu \circ_h \nu \subseteq \mu \cup \nu$ *Proof:* The proof is obtained dually by using the notion of

*t*-conorm S instead of *t*-norm T in [9,proposition 4.2]. Theorem 4.2: Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy subset in R and

 $Im(\mu) = \{\alpha_0, \alpha_1, ..., \alpha_k\}$ , where  $\alpha_i < \alpha_j$  whenever i > j.Let  $\{A_n | n = 0, 1, ..., k\}$  be a family of ideals of R such that (i)  $A_0 \subset A_1 \subset ... \subset A_k = R$ ,

(ii)  $\mu(A^*) = \alpha_n$ , where  $A_n^* = A_n \setminus A_{n-1}, A_{-1} = \phi$  for n = 0, 1, ..., k.

Then  $\mu$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R.

*Proof:* Suppose  $\{A_n | n = 0, 1, ..., k\}$  be a family of ideals of R.

(i) For all  $x, y \in R$ , Then we discuss the following cases: If  $x + y \in A_n$  and  $y \in A_n$  such that  $x \in A_n$ , since  $A_n$  is an ideal of R, thus

 $\mu(x+y) \leq \alpha_n = S(\mu(x), \mu(y)).$ If  $x+y \notin A_n^*$  and  $y \notin A_n^*$ , then the following four cases arise:

- 1)  $x + y \in R \setminus A_n$  and  $y \in R \setminus A_n$
- 2)  $x + y \in A_{n-1}$  and  $y \in A_{n-1}$
- 3)  $x + y \in R \setminus A_n$  and  $y \in A_{n-1}$

4) 
$$x + y \in A_{n-1}$$
 and  $y \in R \setminus A_n$ 

But, in either cases, we know that

$$\mu(x+y) \le S(\mu(x), \mu(y)).$$

If 
$$x + y \in R \setminus A_n^*$$
 and  $y \notin A_n^*$  then either  $y \in A_{n-1}$  or  
 $y \in R \setminus A_n$ . It follows that either  $x \in A_n$  or  $x \in R \setminus A_n$ . Thus  
 $\mu(x + y) \leq S(\mu(x), \mu(y))$ .

If  $x+y \notin R \setminus A_n^*$  and  $y \in A_n^*$  then by similar process we have

$$\mu(x+y) \le S(\mu(x), \mu(y))$$
(ii) Similarly, for  $x, y \in R$ , we have

 $\mu(xy) \le \mu(y).$ 

(iii)For all  $a, b, x, z \in R$ , If x + a + z = b + z such that  $a \in A_n$  and  $b \in A_n$  then  $x \in A_n$ . By the above process it is easy to show that

$$\mu(x) \leq S(\mu(a), \mu(b)).$$
 Hence  $\mu$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R.

Theorem 4.3: Let  $\{A_n | n \in N\}$  be a family of *h*-ideals of a hemiring *R* which is nested, that is,  $R = A_1 \supset A_2 \supset \dots$ .Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy subset in *R* defined by

$$\mu(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{n+1} & \text{if } x \in A_n \setminus A_{n+1}, n = 1, 2, 3..., \\ 0 & \text{if } x \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \,. \end{cases}$$

for all  $x \in R$ . Then  $\mu$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R.

*Proof:* Let  $x, y \in R$ .

(i)Suppose that  $x \in A_k \setminus A_{k+1}$  and  $y \in A_r \setminus A_{r+1}$ for k = 1, 2, ...; r = 1, 2, ... Without loss of generality,we may assume that  $k \leq r$ . Then  $x + y \in A_k$  and so

$$\mu(x+y) \le \frac{1}{k+1} = \max\left\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\right\} \le S\left(\mu(x), \mu(y)\right)$$
  
If  $x, y \in \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} A$ , then  $x+y \in \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} A$ , and thus

$$x, y \in \prod_{n=1}^{n} A_n$$
 then  $x + y \in \prod_{n=1}^{n} A_n$  and thus  
$$\mu (x + y) = 0 = S(\mu (x), \mu (y))$$

If  $x \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$  then  $y \notin \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$ , then there exists  $i \in N$  such that  $y \in A_i \setminus A_{i+1}$ . It follows that  $x + y \in A_i$  so that

$$\mu(x+y) \le \frac{1}{i+1} = \max \{\mu(x), \mu(y)\} \le S(\mu(x), \mu(y))$$

Similarly,we know that

$$\mu\left(x+y\right) \leq S\left(\mu\left(x\right),\mu\left(y\right)\right)$$

for all  $x \notin \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$  then  $y \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$ .

(ii) Now,<br/>if  $y\in A_r\backslash A_{r+1}$  for some k=1,2,..., then<br/>  $xy\in A_k$  for all  $x\in R.$  Thus

$$\mu\left(x+y\right) \leq \frac{1}{k+1} = \mu\left(y\right)$$

If  $y \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$  then  $xy \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$  for all  $x \in R$ . Thus  $\mu (xy) = 0 = \mu (y)$ 

(iii) Now, let  $a, b, x, z \in R$  be such that x + a + z = b + z. If  $a, b \in A_r \setminus A_{r+1}$  for some r = 1, 2, 3..., then  $x \in A_r$  as  $A_r$ is a left *h*-ideal of *R*. Thus

$$\mu(x) \leq \frac{1}{k+1} = \max \left\{ \mu(a), \mu(b) \right\} \leq S(\mu(a), \mu(b))$$
  
If  $a, b \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$  then  $x \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$  and so

$$\mu\left(x\right) = 0 = S\left(\mu\left(a\right), \mu\left(b\right)\right)$$

Assume that  $a \in A_r \setminus A_{r+1}$  for some r = 1, 2, 3, ..., and  $b \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$  (or ,  $a \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$  and  $b \in A_r \setminus A_{r+1}$  for some r = 1, 2, 3...). Then  $x \in A_r$  and so

$$\mu(x) \le \frac{1}{r+1} = \max \{\mu(a), \mu(b)\} \le S(\mu(a), \mu(b))$$

Hence,  $\mu$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R.

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Let  $\mu : R \longrightarrow [0,1]$  be a fuzzy subset of R. The smallest S-fuzzy left h-ideal containing  $\mu$  is called the S-fuzzy left h-ideal generated by  $\mu$ , and  $\mu$  is said to be n-valued if  $\mu(R)$ is a finite set of n elements. When no specific n is intended, we call  $\mu$  a finite-valued fuzzy subset.

Theorem 4.4: A S-fuzzy left h-ideal  $\nu$  of R is finite valued if and only if a finite-valued fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of R is generated by  $\nu$ .

 $\begin{array}{l} \textit{Proof:} \ \mbox{If } \nu: R \longrightarrow [0,1] \mbox{ is a finite-valued } S\mbox{-fuzzy left } h\mbox{-ideal} \ \mbox{of R,then one may choose } \mu = \nu. \mbox{Consequently, assume that} \\ \mu: R \longrightarrow [0,1] \mbox{ is a } n\mbox{-valued fuzzy subset with } n \mbox{ distinct} \\ \mbox{values } t_1, t_2, ..., t_n, \mbox{where } t_1 < t_2 < ... < t_n. \mbox{Let } G^i \mbox{ be the} \\ \mbox{inverse image of } t_i \mbox{ under } \mu, \mbox{ that } \mbox{is,} G^i = \mu^{-1}(t_i). \mbox{Obviously,} \\ \mbox{U}_{i=1}^j G^i \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^r G^i \mbox{ when } j < r. \mbox{We denote by } A^j \mbox{ the left } h\mbox{-ideal} \end{array}$ 

i=1 i=1 of R generated by the set  $\bigcup_{i=1}^{j} G^{i}$ . Then we have the following

chain of left *h*-ideals: 
$$i=1$$

$$A^1 \supseteq A^2 \supseteq \dots \supseteq A^n = R$$

Define a fuzzy  $\nu: R \longrightarrow [0,1]$  by

$$\nu\left(x\right) = \begin{cases} t_n & if \in A^n, \\ t_j & if \in A^j \setminus A^{j-1}; j = 1, 2, ..., n-1 \end{cases}$$

We claim that  $\nu$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R and  $\mu$  is generated by  $\nu$ .Let  $x, y \in R$  and let i and j be the largest integer such that  $x \in A^i$  and  $y \in A^j$ .we may assume that i < j without loss of generality.Then  $x + y \in A^i$  and  $xy \in A^i$ and so

$$\nu (x + y) \le t_j = \max \{t_i, t_j\} = \max \{\nu (x), \nu (y)\}$$
$$\le S (\nu (x), \nu (y))$$

and

$$\nu\left(xy\right) \le t_j = \nu\left(y\right)$$

Now, let  $a, b, x, z \in R$  be such that x + a + z = b + z. If  $a \in A^i$ and  $b \in A^j$  for some i < j, then  $a, b \in A^i$  and so  $x \in A^i$  as  $A^i$  is a *h*-ideal of *R*. Thus

$$\nu(x) \leq t_{j} = \max \{t_{i}, t_{j}\} = \max \{\nu(a), \nu(b)\}$$
  
$$\leq S(\nu(a), \nu(b))$$

Hence,  $\mu$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R.

If  $x \in R$  and  $\mu(x) = t_j$ , then  $x \in G^j$  and so  $x \in A^j$ . But we get  $\nu(x) \leq t_j = \mu(x)$ . Consequently,  $\nu \subseteq \mu$ . Let  $\gamma$  be any *S*-fuzzy left *h*-ideal of *R* which is a subset of  $\mu$ . Then,  $\bigcup_{i=1}^j G^i = (1 + i)^{-1} f_i = 0$ .

 $L(\gamma; t_j) \subseteq L(\mu; t_j)$ , and thus  $A^j \subseteq L(\gamma; t_j)$ . Hence,  $\gamma \subseteq \mu$  and  $\mu$  is generated by  $\nu$ . Note that  $|Im\mu| = n = |Im\nu|$ . Thus completing the proof.

A semiring R is a said to be *left h-artinian* (see [9]) if it satisfies the descending chain condition on left *h*-ideals of R.

Theorem 4.5: If R is a h-artinian hemiring, then every S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R is finite valued.

**Proof:** Let  $\mu : R \longrightarrow [0,1]$  be a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R which is not finite valued. Then, there exists sequence of distinct numbers  $\mu(0) = t_1 > t_2 > ... > t_n$ , where  $t_1 = \mu(x_i)$  for some  $x_i \in R$ . This sequence induces an infinite sequence of distinct left h-ideals of R:

$$L\left(\mu;t_{1}\right)\supset L\left(\mu;t_{2}\right)\supset\ldots\supset L\left(\mu;t_{n}\right)\supset\ldots\ .$$

This is a contradiction.

Combining Theorem 8 and Theorem 9,we have the following corollary.

Corollary 4.6: If R is a h-artinian hemiring, then every S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R is generated by a finite fuzzy subset in R.

# V. S-product of S-fuzzy left h-ideals

Definition 5.1: (see [2]) A fuzzy relation on any set R is a fuzzy subset  $\mu : R \times R$ .

 $\begin{array}{l} \textit{Definition 5.2: Let $S$ be a $t$-conorm. If $\mu$ is a fuzzy relation}\\ \text{on a set $R$ and $\nu$ is a fuzzy set in $R$,then $\mu$ is a $S$-fuzzy relation}\\ \text{on $\nu$ if $\mu_{\nu}(x,y) \geq S(\nu(x),\nu(y))$, $for all $x,y \in R$} \end{array}$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} \textit{Definition 5.3: Let } S \text{ be a } t\text{-conorm . Let } \mu \text{ and } \nu \text{ be a } \\ \texttt{fuzzy subset of } R \text{ . Then direct } S\text{-product of } \mu \text{ and } \nu \text{ is defined } \\ \texttt{by } (\mu \times \nu) (x,y) = S (\mu(x),\nu(y)) \ , \textit{ for all } x,y \in R \end{array}$ 

Lemma 5.4: Let S be a t-conorm .Let  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  be a fuzzy subset of R .Then,

(i)  $\mu \times \nu$  is a S-fuzzy relation on S.

(ii)  $L(\mu \times \nu; t) = L(\mu; t) \times L(\nu; t)$ , for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ *Proof:* The proof is obvious.

Definition 5.5: Let S be a t-conorm .Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy subset of R,then  $\mu$  is said to be the strongest S-fuzzy relation on R if  $\mu_{\nu}(x, y) \ge S(\nu(x), \nu(y))$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ 

*Lemma 5.6:* For given fuzzy subset  $\nu$  in a set R, let  $\mu_{\nu}$  be the strongest S-fuzzy relation on R. Then

 $L(\mu_{\nu};t) = L(\mu;t) \times L(\nu;t)$ , for all  $t \in [0,1]$ .

*Proof:* The proof is obvious.

Proposition 5.7: For given fuzzy subset  $\nu$  in a set R, let  $\mu_{\nu}$  be the strongest S-fuzzy relation on R. If  $\mu_{\nu}$  is a sensible S-fuzzy left h-ideal of  $R \times R$ , then  $\nu(a) \ge \nu(0)$  for  $a \in R$ . Proof: If  $\mu_{\nu}$  is a sensible S-fuzzy left h-ideal of  $R \times R$ , then  $\mu_{\nu}(a, a) \ge \mu_{\nu}(0, 0)$  for  $a \in R$ . This means  $S(\nu(a), \nu(a)) \ge S(\nu(0), \nu(0))$  for  $a \in R$ . Since  $\mu$  is sensible, then  $\nu(a) \ge \nu(0)$  for  $a \in R$ .

The following proposition is an immediate consequence of lemma 5.6.

Proposition 5.8: Let  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  be S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R,then the level left h-ideals of  $\mu_{\nu}$  are given by  $L(\mu_{\nu};t) = L(\mu;t) \times L(\nu;t)$ , for all  $t \in R$ .

Theorem 5.9: Let S be a t-conorm. Let  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  be S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R,then  $\mu \times \nu$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of  $R \times R$ . Proof: Suppose  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  be S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R.Let  $\mu \times \nu$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of  $R \times R$ .Let  $x = (x_1, x_2)$  and  $y = (y_1, y_2)$  be any element of  $R \times R$ .Then, (i)

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \mu \times \nu \right) (x+y) &= (\mu \times \nu) \left( (x_1, x_2) + (y_1, y_2) \right) \\ &= (\mu \times \nu) \left( (x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2) \right) \\ &= S \left( \mu(x_1 + y_1), \nu(x_2 + y_2) \right) \\ &\leq S \left( S \left( \mu(x_1), \mu(y_1) \right) \right), S \left( \nu(x_2), \nu(y_2) \right) \right) \\ &= S \left( S \left( \mu(x_1), \nu(x_2) \right) \right), S \left( \mu(y_1), \nu(y_2) \right) \right) \\ &= S \left( (\mu \times \nu) \left( x_1, x_2 \right), (\mu \times \nu) \left( y_1, y_2 \right) \right) \\ &= S \left( (\mu \times \nu) \left( x), (\mu \times \nu) \left( y_1 \right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

(ii)

$$(\mu \times \nu) (xy) = (\mu \times \nu) ((x_1, x_2)(y_1, y_2)) = (\mu \times \nu) ((x_1y_1, x_2y_2)) = S (\mu(y_1), \nu(y_2)) = (\mu \times \nu) (y_1, y_2) = (\mu \times \nu) (y)$$

(iii) Let  $x = (x_1, x_2)$ ,  $z = (z_1, z_2)$ ,  $a = (a_1, a_2)$  and  $b = (b_1, b_2)$  be such that  $x_1 + a_1 + z_1 = b_1 + z_1$  and  $x_2 + a_2 + z_2 = b_2 + z_2$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} (\mu \times \nu) (x) &= (\mu \times \nu) ((x_1, x_2)) \\ &= S (\mu(x_1), \nu(x_2)) \\ &\leq S (S (\mu(a_1), \mu(b_1))), S (\nu(a_2), \nu(b_2))) \\ &= S (S (\mu(a_1), \nu(a_2))), S (\mu(b_1), \nu(b_2))) \\ &= S ((\mu \times \nu) (a_1, a_2), (\mu \times \nu) (b_1, b_2)) \\ &= S ((\mu \times \nu) (a), (\mu \times \nu) (b)) \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\mu \times \nu$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of  $R \times R$ .

Corollary 5.10: Let S be a t-conorm. Let  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  be a sensible S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R,then  $\mu \times \nu$  is a sensible S-fuzzy left h-ideal of  $R \times R$ .

*Proof:* By Theorem 5.9, we have  $\mu \times \nu$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of  $R \times R$ .Let  $x = (x_1, x_2)$  be any element in  $R \times R$ ,then

$$\begin{aligned} (\mu \times \nu) (x) &= (\mu \times \nu) ((x_1, x_2)) \\ &= S (\mu(x_1), \nu(x_2)) \\ &= S (S (\mu(x_1), \mu(x_1))), S (\nu(x_2), \nu(x_2))) \\ &= S (S (\mu(x_1), \nu(x_2))), S (\mu(x_1), \nu(x_2))) \\ &= S ((\mu \times \nu) (x_1, x_2), (\mu \times \nu) (x_1, x_2)) \\ &= S ((\mu \times \nu) (x), (\mu \times \nu) (x)) \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\mu \times \nu$  is a sensible S-fuzzy left h-ideal of  $R \times R$ . As the converse of Corollary 5.10, we have a following question: If  $\mu \times \nu$  is a sensible S-fuzzy left h-ideal of  $R \times R$ , then are both  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  sensible S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R? The following example gives a negative answer.

*Example 5.11:* Let R be a hemiring with  $|R| \ge 2$  and let  $t \in [0,1]$ . Define a sensible fuzzy subset  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  in R by  $\mu(x) = 1$  and

$$\nu(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & if \ x = 0, \\ t & otherwise. \end{cases}$$

for all  $x \in R$ , respectively. If x = 0, then  $\nu(x) = 1$ , and thus

$$(\mu \times \nu)(x, x) = S(\mu(x), \nu(x)) = S(1, 1) = 1$$

If  $x \neq 0$ , then  $\nu(x) = t$ , and thus

$$(\mu \times \nu) (x, x) = S(\mu(x), \nu(x)) = S(1, t) = 1$$
  
That is, $\mu \times \nu$  is a constant function, and so  $\mu \times \nu$  is a sensible *S*-fuzzy left *h*-ideal of  $R \times R$ .Now, $\mu$  is a sensible *S*-fuzzy left *h*-ideal of *R*,but  $\nu$  is not a sensible *S*-fuzzy left *h*-ideal of *R*,since for  $x \neq 0$ , we have  $\nu(0) = 1 > t = \nu(x)$ .

Now, we generalize the product of two S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R to the product of n S-fuzzy left h-ideal.we first need to generalize the domain of t-conorm R to  $\prod_{i=1}^{n} [0,1]$  as follows.

Definition 5.12: The function  $S_n$  :  $\prod_{i=1}^n [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$  is defined by

 $S_n(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \ldots, \alpha_n) =$ 

 $S(\alpha_i, S_{n-1}(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{i-1}, \alpha_{i+1}, \dots, \alpha_n))$ 

for all  $1 \le i \le n$ , where  $n \ge 2$   $S_2 = S$  and  $S_1 = identity$ . Lemma 5.13: For a t-conorm S and every  $\alpha_i, \beta_i \in [0, 1]$ , where  $1 \le i \le n, n \ge 2$ , we have

 $S_n\left(S\left(\alpha_1,\beta_1\right),S\left(\alpha_2,\beta_2\right),\ldots,S\left(\alpha_n,\beta_n\right)\right)$  $= S \left( S_n \left( \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n \right), S_n \left( \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n \right) \right).$ Proposition 5.14: Let S be a t-conorm. Let  $\{R_i\}_{i=1}^n$  be the finite collection of hemirings and  $R = \prod_{i=1}^{n} R_i$  the S-product of  $S_i$ .Let  $\mu_i$  be a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of  $S_i$ ,where  $1 \le i \le n$ . Then,  $\mu = \prod_{n=1}^{n} \mu_i$  defined by

$$\mu(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n \mu_i(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = S_n(\mu_1(x_1), \mu_2(x_2), \dots, \mu_n(x_n))$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n \in R$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R.

*Proof:* The proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 10. Definition 5.15: Let  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  be fuzzy subset in R.Then, the S-product of  $\mu$  and  $\nu$ , written as

$$[\mu \, . \, \nu]_S(x) = S(\mu(x), \nu(x))$$

for all  $x \in R$ .

Theorem 5.16: Let  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  be S-fuzzy left h-idealof R.If  $S^*$  is a *t*-conorm which dominates *S*,that is,

$$S^{*}\left(S\left(\alpha,\beta\right),S\left(\gamma,\delta\right)\right) \geq S\left(S^{*}\left(\alpha,\beta\right),S^{*}\left(\gamma,\delta\right)\right)$$

for all  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta \in R$ . Then  $S^*$ -product of  $\mu$  and  $\nu, [\mu, \nu]_{S^*}$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of S.

*Proof:* Let  $x, y \in R$ , then we have (i)

$$\begin{split} [\mu \, \cdot \, \nu]_{S^*} \, (x+y) &= S^* \, (\mu(x+y), \nu(x+y)) \\ &\leq S^* \, (S \, (\mu(x), \mu(y)) \, , S \, (\nu(x), \nu(y))) \\ &\leq S^* \, (S \, (\mu(x), \nu(x)) \, , S \, (\mu(y), \nu(y))) \\ &= S \, ( \, [\mu \, \cdot \, \nu]_{S^*} \, (x) \, , \, [\mu \, \cdot \, \nu]_{S^*} \, (y)) \end{split}$$

(ii)

(ii)  

$$\begin{aligned} [\mu \, . \, \nu]_{S^*} \, (xy) &= S^* \, (\mu(xy), \nu(xy)) \\ &\leq S^* \, (\mu(y), \nu(y)) \\ &= [\mu \, . \, \nu]_{S^*} \, (y) \end{aligned}$$
(iii) Now,let  $a, b, x, z \in R$  be such that  $x + a + z = b + z$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} [\mu \cdot \nu]_{S^*} &(x) = S^* \left( \mu(x), \nu(x) \right) \\ &\leq S^* \left( S \left( \mu(a), \mu(b) \right), S \left( \nu(a), \nu(b) \right) \right) \\ &\leq S^* \left( S \left( \mu(a), \nu(a) \right), S \left( \mu(b), \nu(b) \right) \right) \\ &= S \left( \left[ \mu \cdot \nu \right]_{S^*} (a), \left[ \mu \cdot \nu \right]_{S^*} (b) \right) \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $[\mu . \nu]_{S^*}$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R. Theorem 5.17: Let  $R \longrightarrow R'$  be an onto homomorphism of hemirings.Let  $S^*$  be a t-conorm such that  $S^*$  dominates S.Let  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  be S-fuzzy left h-ideal of S'.If  $[\mu . \nu]_{S^*}$  is the S<sup>\*</sup>-product of  $\mu$  and  $\nu$ , and  $[f^{-1}(\mu) \cdot f^{-1}(\nu)]_{S^*}$  is the S<sup>\*</sup>-product of  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  and  $f^{-1}(\nu)$ , then

$$f^{-1}\left(\left[\mu \;.\; \nu\right]_{S^*}\right) = \; \left[f^{-1}(\mu) \;.\; f^{-1}\left(\nu\right)\right]_{S^*}$$

*Proof:* Let  $x \in R$ , then we have

$$\begin{split} f^{-1} \left( \left[ \mu \, . \, \nu \right]_{S^*} \right) (x) &= \left[ \mu \, . \, \nu \right]_{S^*} \left( f(x) \right) \\ &= S^* \left( \mu \left( f(x) \right) , \nu \left( f(x) \right) \right) \\ &= S^* \left( f^{-1} \left( \mu(x) \right) , f^{-1} \left( \nu(x) \right) \right) \\ &= \left[ f^{-1}(\mu) \, . \, f^{-1} \left( \nu \right) \right]_{S^*} (x) \end{split}$$

Theorem 5.18: Let  $\nu$  be a sensible fuzzy subset of R. Let  $\mu_{\nu}$  be the strongest S-fuzzy relation on R. Then  $\nu$  is a sensible S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R if and only if  $\mu_{\nu}$  is a sensible S-fuzzy left h-ideal of  $R \times R$ .

**Proof:** Suppose that  $\nu$  is a sensible S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R.Let  $x = (x_1, x_2)$  and  $y = (y_1, y_2)$  be any elements of  $R \times R$ . Then, (i)

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{\nu} \left( x + y \right) &= \mu_{\nu} \left( (x_1, x_2) + (y_1, y_2) \right) \\ &= \mu_{\nu} \left( (x_1 + y_1), (x_2 + y_2) \right) \\ &= S \left( \nu(x_1 + y_1), \nu(x_2 + y_2) \right) \\ &\leq S \left( S \left( \nu(x_1), \nu(y_1) \right), S \left( \nu(x_2), \nu(y_2) \right) \right) \\ &= S \left( S \left( \nu(x_1), \nu(x_2) \right), S \left( \nu(y_1), \nu(y_2) \right) \right) \\ &= S \left( \mu_{\nu} \left( x_1, x_2 \right), S \left( \mu_{\nu} \left( y_1, y_2 \right) \right) \right) \\ &= S \left( \mu_{\nu} \left( x \right), S \left( \mu_{\nu} \left( y \right) \right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

(ii)

$$\mu_{\nu} (xy) = \mu_{\nu} ((x_1, x_2)(y_1, y_2)) = \mu_{\nu} ((x_1y_1, x_2y_2)) = S (\nu(x_1y_1), \nu(x_2y_2)) \leq \mu_{\nu} ((x_1, x_2)(y_1, y_2)) = \mu_{\nu} (y_1, y_2) = \mu_{\nu} (y)$$

(iii) Let  $x = (x_1, x_2)$ ,  $z = (z_1, z_2)$ ,  $a = (a_1, a_2)$  and  $b = (b_1, b_2)$  be such that  $x_1 + a_1 + z_1 = b_1 + z_1$  and  $x_2 + a_2 + z_2 = b_2 + z_2$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{\nu} \left( x \right) &= \mu_{\nu} \left( (x_1, x_2) \right) \\ &= S \left( \nu(x_1), \nu(x_2) \right) \\ &\leq S \left( S \left( \nu(a_1), \nu(b_1) \right), S \left( \nu(a_2), \nu(b_2) \right) \right) \\ &= S \left( S \left( \nu(a_1), \nu(a_2) \right), S \left( \nu(b_1), \nu(b_2) \right) \right) \\ &= S \left( \mu_{\nu} \left( a_1, a_2 \right), S \left( \mu_{\nu} \left( b_1, b_2 \right) \right) \right) \\ &= S \left( \mu_{\nu} \left( a \right), S \left( \mu_{\nu} \left( b \right) \right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\mu_{\nu}$  is a S-fuzzy left h-ideal of  $R \times R$ . (iv) For any  $x = (x_1, x_2) \in R \times R$ ,then

$$S(\mu_{\nu}(x), \mu_{\nu}(x)) = S(\mu_{\nu}(x_{1}, x_{2}), \mu_{\nu}(x_{1}, x_{2}))$$
  
=  $S(S(\nu(x_{1}), \nu(x_{2})), S(, \nu(x_{1}), \nu(x_{2})))$   
=  $S(S(\nu(x_{1}), \nu(x_{1})), S(, \nu(x_{2}), \nu(x_{2})))$   
=  $S(\nu(x_{1}), \nu(x_{2}))$   
=  $\mu_{\nu}(x_{1}, x_{2})$   
=  $\mu_{\nu}(x)$ 

Hence,  $\mu_{\nu}$  is a sensible S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R. Conversely, suppose that  $\mu_{\nu}$  is a sensible S-fuzzy left h-ideal of  $R \times R$ . Let  $x, y \in R$ , we have (i)

$$\begin{split} \nu \left( x+y \right) &= S \left( \nu \left( x+y \right) , \nu \left( x+y \right) \right) \\ &= \mu_{\nu} \left( x+y,x+y \right) \\ &= \mu_{\nu} \left( (x,x) + (y,y) \right) \\ &\leq S \left( \mu_{\nu} \left( x,x \right) , \mu_{\nu} \left( y,y \right) \right) \\ &= S \left( S \left( \nu \left( x \right) , \nu \left( x \right) \right) , S \left( \nu \left( y \right) , \nu \left( y \right) \right) \right) \\ &= S \left( \nu \left( x \right) , \nu \left( y \right) \right) \end{split}$$

(ii)

$$\nu (xy) = S (\nu (xy), \nu (xy))$$
$$= \mu_{\nu} (xy, xy)$$
$$\leq \mu_{\nu} (y, y)$$
$$= S (\nu (y), \nu (y))$$
$$= \nu (y)$$

(iii)Let  $a,b,x,z\in R$  be such that (x,x)+(a,a)+(z,z)=(b,b)+(z,z). Since  $\mu_\nu$  is a sensible S-fuzzy left h-ideal of  $R\times R.$  Then

$$\begin{split} \nu \left( x \right) &= S \left( \nu \left( x \right), \nu \left( x \right) \right) \\ &= \mu_{\nu} \left( x, x \right) \\ &= \mu_{\nu} \left( (x, x) + (y, y) \right) \\ &\leq S \left( \mu_{\nu} \left( a, a \right), \mu_{\nu} \left( b, b \right) \right) \\ &= S \left( S \left( \nu \left( a \right), \nu \left( a \right) \right), S \left( \nu \left( b \right), \nu \left( b \right) \right) \right) \\ &= S \left( \nu \left( a \right), \nu \left( b \right) \right) \end{split}$$

Consequently,  $\nu$  is a sensible S-fuzzy left h-ideal of R.

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