

CHAPTER – 2

FUZZY IDEALS AND FUZZY FILTERS IN CI-ALGEBRAS

SECTION 2.1

FUNDAMENTAL DEFINITIONS ON FUZZY SETS

Definition : 2.1.1

Let X is a non-empty set. A **fuzzy set** μ is a mapping $\mu : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$.

Definition : 2.1.2

A fuzzy set $\mu : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is said to be **empty** if $\mu(x) = 0$ for all x in X . It is denoted by O_X or Φ_X .

Definition : 2.1.3

A fuzzy set $\mu : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is said to be **whole fuzzy set** if $\mu(x) = 1$ for all x in X . It is denoted by 1_X or X .

Definition : 2.1.4

For $C \in [0, 1]$, a fuzzy set $K_c : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is said to be a **constant fuzzy set** if $K_c(x) = c$ for all x in X .

Definition : 2.1.5

The **complement of a fuzzy set** μ in X denoted by μ^c or $\bar{\mu}$ is defined as $\mu^c(x) = 1 - \mu(x)$.

Definition : 2.1.6

If μ is a fuzzy set in X , then **support of μ** denoted by $\text{supp } \mu$ is defined as, $\text{Supp } \mu = \{x \in X / \mu(x) > 0\}$.

Definition : 2.1.7

Two fuzzy sets μ in X and γ in X are **equal**, (written as $\mu = \gamma$), if and only if $\mu(x) = \gamma(x)$ for x in X .

Definition : 2.1.8

Let μ and γ are fuzzy sets in X . μ is contained in γ (or equivalently, μ is a subset of γ , or μ is smaller than or equal to γ) if and only if $\mu(x) \leq \gamma(x)$ for all x in X . In symbols $\mu \leq \gamma$ iff $\mu(x) \leq \gamma(x)$.

Definition : 2.1.9

The **union of two fuzzy sets** μ in X and γ in X is a fuzzy set λ (written as $\lambda = \mu \vee \gamma$) defined by $\lambda(x) = (\mu \vee \gamma)(x) = \max \{\mu(x), \gamma(x)\}$, for all $x \in X$.

Definition : 2.1.10

The **intersection of two fuzzy sets** μ in X and γ in X is a fuzzy set λ (written as $\lambda = \mu \wedge \gamma$) defined by $\lambda(x) = (\mu \wedge \gamma)(x) = \min \{\mu(x), \gamma(x)\}$, $\forall x \in X$.

Definition : 2.1.11

Let Λ be an indexing set and $\{\mu_\lambda / \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ be a family of fuzzy sets in X . Then their **union** and **intersection** are defined as follows :

$$\bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \mu_\lambda(x) = \sup \{\mu_\lambda(x) / \lambda \in \Lambda\} \text{ for all } x \in X.$$

$$\bigwedge_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \mu_\lambda(x) = \inf \{\mu_\lambda(x) / \lambda \in \Lambda\} \text{ for all } x \in X.$$

Definition : 2.1.12

A fuzzy set μ in X is said to have the **sup property** if for any subset $T \subset X$ there exists $x_0 \in T$ such that $\mu(x_0) = \sup_{t \in T} \mu(t)$.

Definition : 2.1.13

A fuzzy set μ in X defined by

$$\mu(y) = \begin{cases} t & \text{if } y = x, t \in (0, 1] \\ 0 & \text{if } y \neq x \end{cases}$$

is called a **fuzzy point** with support x and value t . It is denoted by (x, t) or x_t .

Definition : 2.1.14

A fuzzy point (x, t) or x_t is said to **belong to a fuzzy set** μ in X if $t \leq \mu(x)$ $\forall x \in X$. It is denoted by $(x, t) \in \mu$ or $x_t \in \mu$.

Definition : 2.1.15

- (i) A fuzzy point (x, t) is said to **be quasi coincident** with a fuzzy set μ in X denoted by $(x, t)q\mu$ if $t + \mu(x) > 1$.
- (ii) A fuzzy point (x, t) is **not quasi coincident** with a fuzzy set μ in X denoted by $\overline{(x, t)q\mu}$ if $t + \mu(x) \leq 1$.
- (iii) If $(x, t) \in \mu$ or $(x, t)q\mu$ then $(x, t) \in \vee q\mu$.
- (iv) If $(x, t) \in \mu$ and $x_t q \mu$ then $(x, t) \in \wedge q\mu$.

Note

Also $\overline{\in \vee q}$ means $\in \vee q$ does not hold.

Definition : 2.1.16

Let μ be a fuzzy set in a set X . For $t \in [0, 1]$

- (i) The set $U(\mu ; t) = \{x \in X / \mu(x) \geq t\}$ is called an **upper level subset** of μ . It is also denoted by μ^t .
- (ii) The set $L(\mu ; t) = \{x \in X / \mu(x) \leq t\}$ is called an **lower level subset** of μ . It is also denoted by μ_t .

Note

$\mu^t \cup \mu_t = X$ for $t \in [0, 1]$. If $t_1 < t_2$ then $\mu_{t_1} \subseteq \mu_{t_2}$.

Definition : 2.1.17

Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function from a set X to a set Y and let μ be a fuzzy set of X . Then the fuzzy set λ of Y is defined by

$$\lambda(y) = \begin{cases} \text{Sup } \{\mu(x) / x \in f^{-1}(y)\}, & \text{if } f^{-1}(y) = \{x \in X / f(x) = y\} \neq \Phi \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

is called the **image of μ under f** , denoted by $f(\mu)$.

If λ is a fuzzy set of Y , then the fuzzy set μ of X is given by $\mu(x) = \lambda(f(x))$, for all $x \in X$, is called the **preimage of λ under f** and is denoted by $f^{-1}(\lambda)$ that is, $f^{-1}(\lambda)(x) = \lambda(f(x))$.

SECTION 2.2

FUZZY IDEALS IN CI-ALGEBRAS

Definition : 2.2.1

A fuzzy set μ in X is called **fuzzy ideal of X** if it satisfies the following :

(FI 1) $\mu(x * y) \geq \mu(y)$, for all $x, y \in X$.

(FI 2) $\mu((x * (y * z)) * z) \geq \min \{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$, for all $x, y, z \in X$.

Theorem : 2.2.2

Let μ be a fuzzy set in a CI-algebra X . Then μ is a fuzzy ideal of X iff it satisfies :

$U(\mu ; \alpha) \neq \Phi \Rightarrow U(\mu ; \alpha)$ is an ideal of X , $\forall \alpha \in [0, 1]$

where $U(\mu ; \alpha) = \{x \in X / \mu(x) \geq \alpha\}$.

Proof

Assume that μ is a fuzzy ideal of X .

To Prove : $U(\mu ; \alpha)$ is an ideal of X

Let $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ be such that $U(\mu ; \alpha) \neq \Phi$.

Let $x, y \in X$ be such that $y \in U(\mu ; \alpha)$. Then $\mu(y) \geq \alpha$.

Therefore $\mu(x * y) \geq \mu(y) \geq \alpha$ (by FI 1)

Thus $x * y \in U(\mu ; \alpha)$ (1)

Let $x \in X$ and $a, b \in U(\mu ; \alpha)$ then $\mu(a) \geq \alpha$ and $\mu(b) \geq \alpha$.

Then from (FI 2) we have

$\mu((a * (b * x)) * x) \geq \min \{\mu(a), \mu(b)\} \geq \alpha$

$\Rightarrow (a * (b * x)) * x \in U(\mu ; \alpha)$ (2)

Hence by (1) and (2) $U(\mu ; \alpha)$ is an ideal of X .

Conversely, suppose $U(\mu ; \alpha) \neq \Phi \Rightarrow U(\mu ; \alpha)$ is an ideal of X for all $\alpha \in [0, 1]$.

Claim : μ is a fuzzy ideal of X .

If $\mu(a * b) < \mu(b)$ for some $a, b \in X$

then $\mu(a * b) < \alpha_0 < \mu(b)$ by taking $\alpha_0 = \frac{1}{2} [\mu(a * b) + \mu(b)]$

Hence $a * b \notin U(\mu ; \alpha_0)$ and $b \in U(\mu ; \alpha_0)$ which is a contradiction.

Therefore $\mu(a * b) \geq \mu(b)$ for all $a, b \in X$ (1)

Let $a, b, c \in X$ be such that

$\mu((a * (b * c)) * c) < \min \{\mu(a), \mu(b)\}$.

Taking $\beta_0 = \frac{1}{2} \mu((a * (b * c)) * c) + \min \{\mu(a), \mu(b)\}$ we have $\beta_0 \in [0, 1]$

and $\mu((a * (b * c)) * c) < \beta_0 < \min \{\mu(a), \mu(b)\}$.

Hence $a, b \in U(\mu ; \beta_0)$ and $(a * (b * c)) * c \notin U(\mu ; \beta_0)$

This is a contradiction.

Therefore, $\mu((a * (b * c)) * c) \geq \min \{\mu(a), \mu(b)\}$ (2)

By (1) and (2), μ is a fuzzy ideal of X .

Lemma : 2.2.3

Every fuzzy ideal μ of X satisfies the following inequality : $\mu(1) \geq \mu(x)$,
 $\forall x \in X$.

Proof

Let μ be a fuzzy ideal in X .

Then by (CI 1), $\mu(1) = \mu(x * x) \forall x \in X$

$$\Rightarrow \mu(1) \geq \mu(x) \forall x \in X$$

Example : 2.2.4

Let $X = \{1, a, b, c, d, 0\}$ be a set with the following cayley table :

*	1	a	b	c	d	0
1	1	a	b	c	d	0
a	1	1	a	c	c	d
b	1	1	1	c	c	c
c	1	a	b	1	a	b
d	1	1	a	1	1	a
0	1	1	1	1	1	1

Then $(X ; *, 1)$ is a CI-algebra.

(i) Let μ be a fuzzy set in X defined by

$$\mu(x) = \begin{cases} 0.7 & \text{if } x \in \{1, a, b\} \\ 0.2 & \text{if } x \in \{c, d, 0\} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Then } U(\mu ; \alpha) = \begin{cases} \Phi & \text{if } \alpha \in (0.7, 1], \\ \{1, a, b\} & \text{if } \alpha \in (0.2, 0.7], \\ X & \text{if } \alpha \in [0, 0.2]. \end{cases}$$

Then $\{1, a, b\}$ and X are ideals of X , and so μ is a fuzzy ideal of X .

(ii) Let μ be a fuzzy set in X defined by

$$\mu(x) = \begin{cases} 0.6 & \text{if } x \in \{1, a\} \\ 0.4 & \text{if } x \in \{b, c, d, 0\} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Then } U(\mu ; \beta) = \begin{cases} \Phi & \text{if } \beta \in (0.6, 1], \\ \{1, a\} & \text{if } \beta \in (0.4, 0.6], \\ X & \text{if } \beta \in [0, 0.4]. \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Then } (a * (a * b)) * b = (a * a) * b$$

$$= 1 * b$$

$$= b \notin \{1, a\}$$

$\Rightarrow \{1, a\}$ is not an ideal of X .

Hence μ is not a fuzzy ideal in X .

Proposition : 2.2.5

If μ is a fuzzy ideal of X , then $\mu((x * y) * y) \geq \mu(x)$, $\forall x, y \in X$.

Proof

Let μ be a fuzzy ideal of X .

Taking $y = 1$ and $z = y$ in $\mu((x * (y * z)) * z) \geq \min \{\mu(x), \mu(y)\} \forall x, y, z \in X$ and

using $1 * x = x$ and $\mu(1) \geq \mu(x)$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} \mu((x * y) * y) &= \mu(((x * (1 * y)) * y)) \\ &\geq \min \{\mu(x), \mu(1)\} \\ &= \mu(x) \quad \forall x, y \in X \end{aligned}$$

Corollary : 2.2.6

Every fuzzy ideal μ of X is order preserving i.e, μ satisfies :

$$x \leq y \Rightarrow \mu(x) \leq \mu(y), \quad \forall x, y \in X.$$

Proof

Let μ be a fuzzy ideal in X . Let $x, y \in X$ be such that $x \leq y$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } x * y &= 1 \text{ and so } \mu(y) = \mu(1 * y) \quad \text{by (CI 2)} \\ &= \mu((x * y) * y) \end{aligned}$$

By proposition (2.2.5) $\mu(y) \geq \mu(x)$.

Proposition : 2.2.7

Let μ be a fuzzy set in X which satisfies $\mu(1) \geq \mu(x) \forall x \in X$ and $\mu(x * z) \geq \min \{\mu(x * (y * z)), \mu(y)\} \forall x, y, z \in X$. Then μ is order preserving.

Proof

Let μ be a fuzzy set in X which satisfies $\mu(1) \geq \mu(x) \quad \forall x \in X$ and $\mu(x * z) \geq \min \{\mu(x * (y * z)), \mu(y)\} \quad \forall x, y, z \in X$. Let $x, y \in X$ be such that $x \leq y$. Then $x * y = 1$.

$$\text{And } \mu(y) = \mu(1 * y) \geq \min \{\mu(1 * (x * y)), \mu(x)\}.$$

By putting $x = 1, z = y, y = x$ in (1) we get,

$$\mu(y) = \min \{\mu(1 * 1), \mu(x)\} = \min\{\mu(1), \mu(x)\} = \mu(x).$$

$$\therefore \mu(x) \leq \mu(y)$$

$$\therefore x \leq y \Rightarrow \mu(x) \leq \mu(y)$$

$$\therefore \mu \text{ is order presenting.}$$

Theorem : 2.2.8

Let X be a transitive CI-algebra. A fuzzy set μ in X is a fuzzy ideal of X . Then it satisfies condition :

- (i) $\mu(1) \geq \mu(x), \quad \forall x \in X$ and
- (ii) $\mu(x * z) \geq \min \{\mu(x * (y * z)), \mu(y)\}$, for all $x, y, z \in X$.

Proof

Assume that μ is a fuzzy ideal of X . Then by lemma (2.2.3) μ satisfies, $\mu(1) \geq \mu(x)$. Since X is transitive, we have

$$(y * z) * z \leq (x * (y * z)) * (x * z)$$

$$\text{i.e., } ((y * z) * z) * ((x * (y * z)) * (x * z)) = 1 \quad \forall x, y, z \in X.$$

$$\text{Consider } \mu(x * z) = \mu(1 * (x * z)) \quad \text{by (CI 2)}$$

$$= \mu[((y * z) * z) * ((x * (y * z)) * (x * z)) * (x * z)]$$

$$\geq \min \{\mu((y * z) * z), \mu(x * (y * z))\}$$

$$\geq \min \{\mu(x * (y * z)), \mu(y)\}$$

Hence μ satisfies (ii)

Corollary : 2.2.9

Let X be a self-distributive CI-algebra. A fuzzy set μ in X is a fuzzy ideal of X , then it satisfies condition

- (i) $\mu(1) \geq \mu(x) \quad \forall x \in X$
- (ii) $\mu(x * z) \geq \min \{\mu(x * (y * z)), \mu(y)\}$ for all $x, y, z \in X$.

Proof : Obvious.

Definition : 2.2.10

For every $a, b \in X$, let μ_a^b be a fuzzy set in X defined by

$$\mu_a^b(x) = \begin{cases} \alpha & \text{if } a * (b * x) = 1, \\ \beta & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

for all $x \in X$ and $\alpha, \beta \in [0, 1]$ with $\alpha > \beta$.

The following example shows that there exist $a, b \in X$ such that μ_a^b is not a fuzzy ideal of X .

Example : 2.2.11

Let $X = \{1, a, b, c, d, 0\}$ be a CI-algebra as in example (2.2.4).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \mu_1^a((a * (a * b)) * b) &= \mu_1^a((a * a) * b) \\ &= \mu_1^a(1 * b) \\ &= \mu_1^a(b) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{since } 1 * (a * b) * a &\neq 1 = \beta < \alpha = \mu_1^a(a) \\ &= \min \{\mu_1^a(a), \mu_1^a(a)\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \mu_1^a((a * (a * b)) * b) < \min \{\mu_1^a(a), \mu_1^a(a)\}$$

$\Rightarrow \mu_1^a$ is not a fuzzy ideal of X .

Lemma : 2.2.12

A non empty subset I of a CI-algebra X is an ideal of X if it satisfies.

- (i) $1 \in I$ and
- (ii) $x * (y * z) \in I \Rightarrow x * z \in I, \forall x, z \in X$ and $\forall y \in I$

Proof

Let I be an ideal of a CI-algebra X .

Since $x * x = 1$ and if $x \in X, a \in I$ then $x * a \in I$,

we have $1 = a * a \in I \forall a \in I$

$$\therefore 1 \in I$$

Claim : $x * y \in I \Rightarrow y \in I, \forall x \in I, \forall y \in X$

Let $x \in I$ and $y \in X$ be such that $x * y \in I$.

Then $y = 1 * y$

$$= ((x * y) * (x * y)) * y \in I \quad \text{by (1.1.17)}$$

Now let $x, z \in X$ and $y \in I$ be such that $x * (y * z) \in I$

Then $y * (x * z) \in I$ [by (CI 3)]

Since $y \in I$, we have $x * z \in I$

That is, $x * (y * z) \in I \Rightarrow x * z \in I \forall x, z \in X$ and $\forall y \in I$

This completes the proof.

Theorem : 2.2.13

Let μ be a fuzzy set in a CI-algebra X . Then μ is a fuzzy ideal of X iff μ satisfies the following assertion :

For all $a, b \in X$ and $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ $a, b \in U(\mu ; \alpha) \Rightarrow A(a, b) \subseteq U(\mu ; \alpha)$.

Proof

Assume that μ is a fuzzy ideal of a CI-algebra X . Let $a, b \in U(\mu ; \alpha)$ then $\mu(a) \geq \alpha$ and $\mu(b) \geq \alpha$. Let $x \in A(a, b)$. Then $a * (b * x) = 1$.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Hence } \mu(x) &= \mu(1 * x) \\
&= \mu[a * (b * x) * x] \\
&\geq \min \{\mu(a), \mu(b)\} \\
&\geq \alpha \\
&\therefore x \in U(\mu ; \alpha)
\end{aligned}$$

Thus $A(a, b) \subseteq U(\mu ; \alpha)$

Conversely, suppose $A(a, b) \subseteq U(\mu ; \alpha)$ for all $a, b \in U(\mu ; \alpha)$.

Claim : μ is a fuzzy ideal of X .

Obviously $1 \in A(a, b) \subseteq U(\mu ; \alpha) \quad \forall a, b \in X$.

Let $x, y, z \in X$ be such that $x * (y * z) \in U(\mu ; \alpha)$ and $y \in U(\mu ; \alpha)$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\text{Since } (x * (y * z)) * (y * (x * z)) \\
&= (x * (y * z)) * (x * (y * z)) \quad [\text{by (CI 3)}] \\
&= 1 \quad [\text{by (CI 1)}] \\
&\Rightarrow x * z \in A(x * (y * z), y) \subseteq U(\mu ; \alpha) \\
&\therefore U(\mu ; \alpha) \text{ is an ideal of } X
\end{aligned}$$

Hence by theorem (2.2.2) μ is a fuzzy ideal of X .

Corollary : 2.2.14

If μ is a fuzzy ideal of a CI-algebra X .

$$\text{Then } U(\mu ; \alpha) \neq \Phi \Rightarrow U(\mu ; \alpha) = \bigcup_{a, b \in U(\mu ; \alpha)} A(a, b), \quad \forall \alpha \in [0, 1].$$

Proof

Let μ be a fuzzy ideal of a CI-algebra X .

Let $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ be such that $U(\mu ; \alpha) \neq \Phi$.

Since $1 \in U(\mu ; \alpha)$ we have

$$U(\mu ; \alpha) \subseteq \bigcup_{a \in U(\mu ; \alpha)} A(a, 1) \subseteq \bigcup_{a, b \in U(\mu ; \alpha)} A(a, b).$$

$$\text{Let } x \in \bigcup_{a, b \in U(\mu ; \alpha)} A(a, b).$$

Then there exists $a, b \in U(\mu ; \alpha)$ such that $x \in A(a, b) \subseteq U(\mu ; \alpha)$, by theorem (2.2.13).

Thus $\bigcup_{a, b \in U(\mu ; \alpha)} A(a, b) \subseteq U(\mu ; \alpha)$.

Definition : 2.2.15

A fuzzy filter μ of a CI-algebra X is said to be **normal** if there exists $x \in X$ such that $\mu(x) = 1$.

Example : 2.2.16

Let $X = \{1, a, b, c\}$ be a set with the following table :

*	1	a	b	c
1	1	a	b	c
a	1	1	b	c
b	1	a	1	c
c	c	c	c	1

Then $(X ; *, 1)$ is a CI-algebra. Then the fuzzy filter μ in X defined by $\mu(1) = \mu(a) = 1, \mu(b) = \mu(c) = 0.3$ is a fuzzy normal filter.

Note

If μ is a normal fuzzy filter of a CI-algebra X , then clearly $\mu(1) = 1$, and hence μ is normal if and only if $\mu(1) = 1$.

Theorem : 2.2.17

Let μ is a fuzzy filter of a CI-algebra X . Let μ^+ be a fuzzy set in X defined by $\mu^+(x) = \mu(x) + 1 - \mu(1)$ for all $x \in X$. Then μ^+ is a normal fuzzy filter of X which contains μ .

Proof

Let μ is a fuzzy filter of a CI-algebra X . Let μ^+ be a fuzzy set in X defined by $\mu^+(x) = \mu(x) + 1 - \mu(1)$ for all $x \in X$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \mu^+(1) &= \mu(1) + 1 - \mu(1) = 1 \geq \mu^+(x) \text{ for all } x \in X. \text{ Let } x, y \in X. \text{ Then} \\ \min \{\mu^+(x), \mu^+(x * y)\} &= \min \{\mu(x) + 1 - \mu(1), \mu(x * y) + 1 - \mu(1)\} \\ &= \min \{\mu(x), \mu(x * y)\} + 1 - \mu(1) \\ &\leq \mu(y) + 1 - \mu(1) = \mu^+(y). \end{aligned}$$

Hence μ^+ is a normal fuzzy filter of X . Clearly $\mu \subseteq \mu^+$.

Note

Let μ and μ^+ be as in Theorem (2.2.17). If there exists $x \in X$ such that $\mu^+(x) = 1$, then $\mu(x) = 1$.

Theorem : 2.2.18

A fuzzy filter μ of a CI-algebra X is normal if and only if $\mu^+ = \mu$.

Proof

The sufficiency is obvious.

Assume that μ is a normal fuzzy CI-algebra of X and let $x \in X$.

Then $\mu^+(x) = \mu(x) + 1 - \mu(1) = \mu(x)$, hence $\mu^+ = \mu$.

Proposition : 2.2.19

If μ is a fuzzy filter of X , then $(\mu^+)^+ = \mu^+$.

Proof

For any $x \in X$, we have

$$(\mu^+)^+(x) = \mu^+(x) + 1 - \mu^+(1) = \mu^+(x).$$

SECTION 2.3

ON $(\epsilon, \epsilon \vee q_k)$ -FUZZY FILTERS OF CI-ALGEBRAS

Definition : 2.3.1

A fuzzy set μ in a CI-algebra X is called a **fuzzy filter of X** if it satisfies the following conditions :

(FF 1) $\mu(1) \geq \mu(x)$ for all $x \in X$.

(FF 2) $\mu(y) \geq \min \{\mu(x * y), \mu(x)\}$ for all $x, y \in X$.

Definition : 2.3.2

Let X be a CI-algebra and $k \in [0, 1]$ for $\alpha \in \{\epsilon, \epsilon \vee q_k\}$, define the following

(i) $(x, t) \alpha_k \mu$, we mean $\mu(x) + t + k > 1$,

(ii) $(x, t) \in \alpha_k \mu$, means that $(x, t) \in \mu$ or $(x, t) \alpha_k \mu$.

Note

For $(x, t) \overline{\alpha} \mu$, we mean $(x, t) \alpha \mu$ does not hold.

Definition : 2.3.3

A fuzzy set μ in X is called an **$(\epsilon, \epsilon \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy filter of X** if it satisfies

(C 1) $(x, t) \in \mu \Rightarrow (1, t) \in \alpha_k \mu$,

(C 2) $(x, t) \in \mu$ and $(x * y, r) \in \mu \Rightarrow (y, \min \{t, r\}) \in \alpha_k \mu$ for all $x, y \in X$ and $t, r \in (0, 1]$.

Note

An $(\epsilon, \epsilon \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy filter of X with $k = 0$ is called $(\epsilon, \epsilon \vee q)$ -fuzzy filter of X .

Example : 2.3.4

Let $X = \{1, a, b, c\}$ be a CI-algebra as in example (2.2.16). Then define a fuzzy set $\mu : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ on X , by $\mu(1) = 0.8$, $\mu(a) = \mu(b) = 0.4$ and $\mu(c) = 0.3$. Then μ is a $(\epsilon, \epsilon \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy filter of X .

Theorem : 2.3.5

A fuzzy set μ in X is an $(\epsilon, \epsilon \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy filter of X if and only if it satisfies two conditions :

$$(C 3) \quad \mu(1) \geq \min \left\{ \mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2} \right\}, \text{ for all } x \in X.$$

$$(C 4) \quad \mu(y) \geq \min \left\{ \mu(x), \mu(x * y), \frac{1-k}{2} \right\}, \text{ for all } x, y \in X.$$

Proof

Assume that μ is an $(\epsilon, \epsilon \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy filter of X , if (C3) is not valid, then $\mu(1) < t_a \leq \min \left\{ \mu(a), \frac{1-k}{2} \right\}$, for some $a \in X$ and $t_a \in (0, \frac{1-k}{2}]$.

Thus $(a, t_a) \in \mu$ but $(1, t_a) \notin \mu$.

Also, $\mu(1) + t_a < 2 t_a \leq 1 - k$, i.e., $(1, t_a) \notin \overline{q_k \mu}$.

Therefore $(1, t_a) \in \overline{\vee q_k \mu}$, which is a contradiction.

Consequently $\mu(1) \geq \min \left\{ \mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2} \right\}$ for all $x \in X$.

Assume that (C4) is not valid.

Then there exist $a, b \in X$ and $t \in (0, \frac{1-k}{2}]$

such that $\mu(b) \leq t \leq \min \left\{ \mu(a), \mu(a * b), \frac{1-k}{2} \right\}$.

If $\min \left\{ \mu(a), \mu(a * b) \right\} < \frac{1-k}{2}$, then $\mu(b) < t \leq \min \left\{ \mu(a), \mu(a * b) \right\}$.

Hence $(a, t) \in \mu$ and $(a * b) \in \mu$ but $(b, t) \notin \mu$.

Moreover, $\mu(b) + t < 2t \leq 1 - k$, and so $(b, t) \notin \overline{\text{qk}\mu}$.

Therefore $(b, t) \in \overline{\text{qk}\mu}$, which is a contradiction,

if $\min \{\mu(a), \mu(a + b) \geq \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ then $(a, \frac{1-k}{2}) \in \mu$ and $(a + b, \frac{1-k}{2}) \in \mu$

but $(b, \frac{1-k}{2}) \notin \mu$.

Also, $\mu(b) + \frac{1-k}{2} < \frac{1-k}{2} + \frac{1-k}{2} = 1 - k$. i.e. $(b, \frac{1-k}{2}) \notin \overline{\text{qk}\mu}$.

Hence $(b, \frac{1-k}{2}) \in \overline{\text{qk}\mu}$, which is a contradiction.

Consequently, $\mu(b) \geq \min \{\mu(a), \mu(a * b), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ for all $x, y \in X$.

Conversely, let μ be a fuzzy set in X satisfying (C3) and (C4).

Let $x \in X$ and $t \in (0, 1]$ be such that $(x, t) \in \mu$.

Then $\mu(x) \geq t$, and so $\mu(1) \geq \min \{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\} \geq \min \{t, \frac{1-k}{2}\}$.

If $t \leq \frac{1-k}{2}$, then $\mu(1) \geq t$, i.e. $(1, t) \in \mu$.

If $t > \frac{1-k}{2}$, then $\mu(1) \geq \frac{1-k}{2}$.

Thus $\mu(1) + t > \frac{1-k}{2} + \frac{1-k}{2} = 1 - k$. i.e., $(1, t) \in \overline{\text{qk}\mu}$.

Hence $(1, t) \in \overline{\text{qk}\mu}$, which proves (C1).

Let $x, y \in X$ and $t, r \in (0, 1]$ be such that $(x, t) \in \mu$ and $(x * y, r) \in \mu$.

Then $\mu(x) \geq t$ and $\mu(x * y) \geq r$.

It follows from (C4) that $\mu(y) \geq \min \{\mu(x), \mu(x, y), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$

$$\geq \min \left\{ t, r, \frac{1-k}{2} \right\} = \begin{cases} \min \{t, r\} & \text{if } t \leq \frac{1-k}{2} \text{ or } r \leq \frac{1-k}{2}, \\ \frac{1-k}{2} & \text{if } t > \frac{1-k}{2} \text{ or } r > \frac{1-k}{2} \end{cases}$$

The case $\mu(y) \geq \min \{t, r\}$ implies that $(y, \min \{t, r\}) \in \mu$.

From $\mu(y) \geq \frac{1-k}{2}$ we have

$$\mu(y) + \min \{t, r\} > \frac{1-k}{2} + \frac{1-k}{2} = 1 - k, \text{ i.e. } (y, \min \{t, r\}) \text{ qk}\mu.$$

Hence $(y, \min \{t, r\}) \in \forall \text{qk}\mu$.

Therefore the condition (C2) is valid.

Consequently, μ is an $(\epsilon, \epsilon \forall \text{qk})$ -fuzzy filter of L .

Theorem : 2.3.6

A fuzzy set μ in a CI-algebra X is an $(\epsilon, \epsilon \forall \text{qk})$ -fuzzy filter of X if and only if it satisfies :

$$(*) U(\mu ; t) \neq \Phi \Rightarrow U(\mu ; t) \text{ is a filter of } L, \text{ for all } t \in (0, \frac{1-k}{2}].$$

Proof

Let μ be an $(\epsilon, \epsilon \forall \text{qk})$ -fuzzy filter of X .

Let $t \in (0, \frac{1-k}{2}]$ be such that $U(\mu ; t) \neq \Phi$.

Obviously, $1 \in U(\mu ; t)$ for all $t \in (0, \frac{1-k}{2}]$.

Let $x, y \in X$ be such that $x \in U(\mu ; t)$ and $x * y \in U(\mu ; t)$.

Then $\mu(x) \geq t$ and $\mu(x * y) \geq t$.

It follows from (C4) that

$$\mu(x * y) \geq \min \{ \mu(x), \mu(x * y), \frac{1-k}{2} \} \geq \min \{ t, \frac{1-k}{2} \} = t$$

so that $y \in U(\mu ; t)$. Hence $U(\mu ; t)$ is a filter of X .

Conversely, let μ be a fuzzy set in X in which $(*)$ is valid.

If there exists $a \in X$ such that $\mu(1) < \min \{ \mu(a), \frac{1-k}{2} \}$, then

$\mu(1) < t_a \leq \min \{ \mu(a), \frac{1-k}{2} \}$ for some $t_a \in (0, \frac{1-k}{2}]$. Thus $(a, t_a) \in \mu$ but

$(1, t_a) \notin \mu$.

Also, $\mu(1) + t_a < 2t_a \leq 1 - k$, i.e., $(1, t_a) \in \overline{\text{qk}\mu}$. Hence $(1, t_a) \in \overline{\text{vqk}\mu}$, which is a contradiction. Therefore $\mu(1) \geq \min \{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ for all $x \in X$. Assume that there exists $a, b \in X$ such that $\mu(b) < \min \{\mu(a), \mu(a * b), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$.

Then $\mu(b) < t \leq \min \{\mu(a), \mu(a * b), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ for some $t \in (0, \frac{1-k}{2}]$, and so $a \in U(\mu ; t)$ and $a * b \in U(\mu ; t)$, but $b \notin U(\mu ; t)$.

Since $U(\mu ; t)$ is a filter of X , it is a contradiction.

Therefore $\mu(y) \geq \min \{\mu(x), \mu(x * y), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ for all $x, y \in X$.

Consequently, μ is an $(\epsilon, \epsilon \vee \text{qk})$ -fuzzy filter of X .

Corollary : 2.3.7

A fuzzy set μ in X is an $(\epsilon, \epsilon \vee \text{q})$ fuzzy filter of X if and only if it satisfies:
 $U(\mu ; t) \neq \Phi \Rightarrow U(\mu ; t)$ is a filter of X , for all $t \in (0, 0.5]$.

Proof : Obvious.

Theorem : 2.3.8

If A is a filter of X , then a fuzzy set μ in X defined by $\mu : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$,

$$x = \begin{cases} t_1 & \text{if } x \in A \\ t_2 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
 where $t_1 \in [\frac{1-k}{2}, 1]$ and $t_2 \in (0, \frac{1-k}{2})$, is an $(\epsilon, \epsilon \vee \text{qk})$ -fuzzy filter of X .

Proof

Obviously, $U(\mu ; r) = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } r \in (t_2, \frac{1-k}{2}] \\ X & \text{if } r \in (0, t_2] \end{cases}$ is a filter of X .

By Theorem (2.3.6), μ is an $(\epsilon, \epsilon \vee \text{qk})$ -fuzzy filter of X .

Corollary : 2.3.9

If A is a filter of X , then a fuzzy set μ in X defined by $\mu : L \rightarrow [0, 1]$, $x = \begin{cases} t_1 & \text{if } x \in A, \\ t_2 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ where $t_1 \in [0.5, 1]$ and $t_2 \in (0, 0.5)$, is an $(\epsilon, \epsilon \vee qk)$ -fuzzy filter of X .

Proof : Obvious.

Theorem : 2.3.10

Every fuzzy filter is an $(\epsilon, \epsilon \vee qk)$ -fuzzy filter.

Proof : Obvious.

Note

The converse of Theorem (2.3.10) is not true in general which can be shown in following example.

Example : 2.3.11

Let $X = \{1, a, b, c\}$ be a set with the following table :

*	1	a	b	c
1	1	a	b	c
a	1	1	b	c
b	1	a	1	c
c	1	a	b	1

Then $(X ; *, 0)$ is a CI-algebra. Define a fuzzy set $\mu : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ on X , by $\mu(1) = \mu(a) = \mu(b) = 0.6$ and $\mu(c) = 0.5$ and $k = 0.2$ then μ is a $(\epsilon, \epsilon \vee qk)$ -fuzzy filter of X but is not a fuzzy filter because $\mu(c)$ is not $\geq \min \{\mu(b), \mu(c * b)\}$.

Theorem : 2.3.12

If μ is an $(\epsilon, \epsilon \vee qk)$ -fuzzy filter satisfying $\mu(1) < \frac{1-k}{2}$, then μ is a fuzzy filter.

Proof

Let μ be an $(\epsilon, \epsilon \vee qk)$ -fuzzy filter of X such that $\mu(1) < \frac{1-k}{2}$, using (C3) we have $\min \{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\} \leq \mu(1) < \frac{1-k}{2}$ and so $\mu(x) \leq \frac{1-k}{2}$ for all $x \in X$.

It follows from (C3) and (C4) that $\mu(1) \geq \mu(x)$ and $\mu(y) \geq \min \{\mu(x), \mu(y * x)\}$ for all $x, y \in X$.

Hence μ is a fuzzy filter of X .

Corollary : 2.3.13

If μ is an $(\epsilon, \epsilon \vee q)$ -fuzzy filter satisfying $\mu(1) < 0.5$, then μ is a fuzzy filter.

Proposition : 2.3.14

For any $k_1, k_2 \in (0, 1]$ with $k_1 < k_2$, every $(\epsilon, \epsilon \vee qk_1)$ -fuzzy filter is an $(\epsilon, \epsilon \vee qk_2)$ -fuzzy filter.

Example : 2.3.15

In Example (2.3.11), define a fuzzy set $\mu : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ on X , by $\mu(1) = \mu(a) = \mu(b) = 0.6$ and $\mu(c) = 0.5$ and $k_1 = 0.1$. Then μ is a $(\epsilon, \epsilon \vee qk_1)$ fuzzy filter of X . Also by $\mu(1) = \mu(a) = \mu(b) = 0.6$ and $\mu(c) = 0.4$ and $k_2 = 0.4$, then μ is a $(\epsilon, \epsilon \vee qk_2)$ -fuzzy filter of X , but $(\epsilon, \epsilon \vee qk_2)$ -fuzzy filter is not an $(\epsilon, \epsilon \vee qk_1)$ -fuzzy filter.