

CUBIC SUBALGEBRAS AND FILTERS OF *CI*-ALGEBRAS

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Abstract. The notions of cubic subalgebras and cubic filters in *CI*-algebras are introduced, and related properties are investigated. Characterizations of cubic subalgebras are considered. Conditions for a cubic set to be a cubic filter are provided.

1. Introduction

As a generalization of a BCK-algebra, Kim and Kim [6] introduced the notion of a *BE*-algebra, and investigated several properties. The notion of *CI*-algebras is introduced by Meng [8] as a generalization of *BE*-algebras. Filter theory and properties in *CI*-algebras are studied by Kim [7], Meng [9] and Piekart et al. [10]. Fuzzy sets, which were introduced by Zadeh [11], deal with possibilistic uncertainty, connected with imprecision of states, perceptions and preferences. Based on the (interval-valued) fuzzy sets, Jun et al. [3] introduced the notion of (internal, external) cubic sets, and investigated several properties. Jun et al. applied the notion of cubic sets to *BCK/BCI*-algebras (see [1, 2, 4, 5]).

In this paper, we discuss the notions of cubic subalgebras and cubic filters in *CI*-algebras. We investigated several related properties. We consider characterizations of cubic subalgebras. We provide conditions for a cubic set to be a cubic filter.

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2. Preliminaries

In this section we include some elementary aspects that are necessary for this paper.

An algebra $(X; *, 1)$ of type $(2, 0)$ is called a *CI-algebra* if it satisfies the following properties:

- (CI1) $x * x = 1$,
- (CI2) $1 * x = x$,
- (CI3) $x * (y * z) = y * (x * z)$, for all $x, y, z \in X$.

Let $(X; *_X, 1_X)$ and $(Y; *_Y, 1_Y)$ be two *CI-algebras*. A mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called a *homomorphism* from X to Y if for all $x, y \in X$, $f(x *_X y) = f(x) *_Y f(y)$.

Let $(X; *, 1)$ be a *CI-algebra*. A subset F of X is called a *filter* (see [8]) of X if

- (F1) $1 \in F$;
- (F2) $(\forall x, y \in X)(x * y, x \in F \Rightarrow y \in F)$.

Let I be a closed unit interval, i.e., $I = [0, 1]$. By an *interval number* we mean a closed subinterval $\bar{a} = [a^-, a^+]$ of I , where $0 \leq a^- \leq a^+ \leq 1$. Denote by $D[0, 1]$ the set of all interval numbers. Let us define what is known as *refined minimum* (briefly, *rmin*) of two elements in $D[0, 1]$. We also define the symbols “ \succeq ”, “ \preceq ”, “ $=$ ” in case of two elements in $D[0, 1]$. Consider two interval numbers $\bar{a}_1 := [a_1^-, a_1^+]$ and $\bar{a}_2 := [a_2^-, a_2^+]$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rmin} \{ \bar{a}_1, \bar{a}_2 \} &= [\min \{ a_1^-, a_2^- \}, \min \{ a_1^+, a_2^+ \}], \\ \bar{a}_1 \succeq \bar{a}_2 &\text{ if and only if } a_1^- \geq a_2^- \text{ and } a_1^+ \geq a_2^+, \end{aligned}$$

and similarly we may have $\bar{a}_1 \preceq \bar{a}_2$ and $\bar{a}_1 = \bar{a}_2$. To say $\bar{a}_1 \succ \bar{a}_2$ (resp. $\bar{a}_1 \prec \bar{a}_2$) we mean $\bar{a}_1 \succeq \bar{a}_2$ and $\bar{a}_1 \neq \bar{a}_2$ (resp. $\bar{a}_1 \preceq \bar{a}_2$ and $\bar{a}_1 \neq \bar{a}_2$). Let $\bar{a}_i \in D[0, 1]$ where $i \in \Lambda$. We define

$$\text{rinf}_{i \in \Lambda} \bar{a}_i = \left[\inf_{i \in \Lambda} a_i^-, \inf_{i \in \Lambda} a_i^+ \right] \quad \text{and} \quad \text{rsup}_{i \in \Lambda} \bar{a}_i = \left[\sup_{i \in \Lambda} a_i^-, \sup_{i \in \Lambda} a_i^+ \right].$$

An *interval-valued fuzzy set* (briefly, *IVF set*) $\tilde{\mu}_A$ defined on a nonempty set X is given by

$$\tilde{\mu}_A := \{ (x, [\mu_A^-(x), \mu_A^+(x)]) \mid x \in X \},$$

which is briefly denoted by $\tilde{\mu}_A = [\mu_A^-, \mu_A^+]$ where μ_A^- and μ_A^+ are two fuzzy sets in X such that $\mu_A^-(x) \leq \mu_A^+(x)$ for all $x \in X$. For any IVF set $\tilde{\mu}_A$ on X and $x \in X$, $\tilde{\mu}_A(x) = [\mu_A^-(x), \mu_A^+(x)]$ is called the degree of membership of an element x to $\tilde{\mu}_A$, in which $\mu_A^-(x)$ and $\mu_A^+(x)$ are

referred to as the lower and upper degrees, respectively, of membership of x to $\tilde{\mu}_A$.

3. Cubic subalgebras

Definition 3.1 ([1, 3]). Let X be a nonempty set. A *cubic set* \mathcal{A} in X is a structure

$$\mathcal{A} = \{ \langle x, \tilde{\mu}_A(x), \lambda(x) \rangle : x \in X \}$$

which is briefly denoted by $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ where $\tilde{\mu}_A = [\mu_A^-, \mu_A^+]$ is an IVF set in X and λ is a fuzzy set in X .

Let $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ be a cubic set in a set X , $r \in [0, 1]$ and $[s, t] \in D[0, 1]$. The set

$$\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}; [s, t], r) := \{ x \in X \mid \tilde{\mu}_A(x) \succeq [s, t], \lambda(x) \leq r \}$$

is called the *cubic level set* of $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ (see [1]).

Denote by $\mathcal{C}(X)$ the family of cubic sets in a set X . In what follows, let X denote a CI -algebra unless otherwise specified.

Definition 3.2. A cubic set $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle \in \mathcal{C}(X)$ is called a *cubic subalgebra* of X if it satisfies:

$$(3.1) \quad (\forall x, y \in X) (\tilde{\mu}_A(x * y) \succeq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(x), \tilde{\mu}_A(y)\}).$$

$$(3.2) \quad (\forall x, y \in X) (\lambda(x * y) \leq \max\{\lambda(x), \lambda(y)\}).$$

Example 3.3. Consider a CI -algebra $X = \{1, a, b, c\}$ in which the $*$ -operation is given by Table 1.

TABLE 1. $*$ -operation

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

We define $\tilde{\mu}_A = [\mu_A^-, \mu_A^+]$ and λ by

$$\tilde{\mu}_A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & b & c \\ [0.6, 0.9] & [0.4, 0.8] & [0.3, 0.7] & [0.1, 0.3] \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\lambda = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & b & c \\ 0.2 & 0.2 & 0.6 & 0.7 \end{pmatrix},$$

respectively. Then $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ is a cubic subalgebra of X .

Proposition 3.4. *If $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ is a cubic subalgebra of X , then $\tilde{\mu}_A(1) \succeq \tilde{\mu}_A(x)$ and $\lambda(1) \leq \lambda(x)$ for all $x \in X$.*

Proof. It is straightforward. \square

Theorem 3.5. *For a cubic set $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle \in \mathcal{C}(X)$, the following are equivalent:*

- (1) $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ is a cubic subalgebra of X .
- (2) The nonempty cubic level set of $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ is a subalgebra of X .

Proof. Assume that $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ is a cubic subalgebra of X . Let $x, y \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}; [s, t], r)$ for all $r \in [0, 1]$ and $[s, t] \in D[0, 1]$. Then $\tilde{\mu}_A(x) \succeq [s, t]$, $\lambda(x) \leq r$, $\tilde{\mu}_A(y) \succeq [s, t]$ and $\lambda(y) \leq r$. It follows from (3.1) and (3.2) that

$$\tilde{\mu}_A(x * y) \succeq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(x), \tilde{\mu}_A(y)\} \succeq [s, t]$$

and $\lambda(x * y) \leq \max\{\lambda(x), \lambda(y)\} \leq r$ so that $x * y \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}; [s, t], r)$. Therefore the nonempty cubic level set of $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ is a subalgebra of X .

Conversely, assume that $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}; [s, t], r)$ is a subalgebra of X for all $r \in [0, 1]$ and $[s, t] \in D[0, 1]$ with $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}; [s, t], r) \neq \emptyset$. Suppose that (3.1) is not true and (3.2) is valid. Then there exist $[s_0, t_0] \in D[0, 1]$ and $a, b \in X$ such that

$$\tilde{\mu}_A(a * b) \prec [s_0, t_0] \preceq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(a), \tilde{\mu}_A(b)\}$$

and $\lambda(a * b) \leq \max\{\lambda(a), \lambda(b)\}$. It follows that $a, b \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}; [s_0, t_0], \max\{\lambda(a), \lambda(b)\})$ but $a * b \notin \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}; [s_0, t_0], \max\{\lambda(a), \lambda(b)\})$. This is a contradiction. If (3.1) is true and (3.2) is not valid, then $\tilde{\mu}_A(a * b) \succeq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(a), \tilde{\mu}_A(b)\}$ and

$$\lambda(a * b) > r_0 \geq \max\{\lambda(a), \lambda(b)\}$$

for some $r_0 \in [0, 1]$ and $a, b \in X$. Thus $a, b \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}; \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(a), \tilde{\mu}_A(b)\}, r_0)$ but $a * b \notin \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}; \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(a), \tilde{\mu}_A(b)\}, r_0)$, which is a contradiction. Assume that there exist $[s_0, t_0] \in D[0, 1]$, $r_0 \in [0, 1]$ and $a, b \in X$ such that

$$\tilde{\mu}_A(a * b) \prec [s_0, t_0] \preceq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(a), \tilde{\mu}_A(b)\}$$

and $\lambda(a * b) > r_0 \geq \max\{\lambda(a), \lambda(b)\}$. Then $a, b \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}; [s_0, t_0], r_0)$ but $a * b \notin \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}; [s_0, t_0], r_0)$. This is also a contradiction. Hence (3.1) and (3.2) are valid. Therefore $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ is a cubic subalgebra of X . \square

Theorem 3.6. *If $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ is a cubic subalgebra of X , then the set*

$$S := \{x \in X \mid \tilde{\mu}_A(x) = \tilde{\mu}_A(1), \lambda(x) = \lambda(1)\}$$

is a subalgebra of X .

Proof. Let $x, y \in S$. Then $\tilde{\mu}_A(x) = \tilde{\mu}_A(1) = \tilde{\mu}_A(y)$ and $\lambda(x) = \lambda(1) = \lambda(y)$. It follows from (3.1) and (3.2) that

$$\tilde{\mu}_A(x * y) \succeq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(x), \tilde{\mu}_A(y)\} = \tilde{\mu}_A(1)$$

and $\lambda(x * y) \leq \max\{\lambda(x), \lambda(y)\} = \lambda(1)$ so from Proposition 3.4 that $\tilde{\mu}_A(x * y) = \tilde{\mu}_A(1)$ and $\lambda(x * y) = \lambda(1)$. Hence $x * y \in S$, and so S is a subalgebra of X . \square

Theorem 3.7. *For a subset S of X , let $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle \in \mathcal{C}(X)$ be defined by*

$$\tilde{\mu}_A(x) = \begin{cases} [s, t] & \text{if } x \in S, \\ \bar{0} = [0, 0] & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and

$$\lambda(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \in S \\ r & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where $r, s, t \in (0, 1]$ with $s < t$. Then

- (1) *If S is a subalgebra of X , then $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ is a cubic subalgebra of X and $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}; [s, t], r) = S$.*
- (2) *If $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ is a cubic subalgebra of X , then S is a subalgebra of X .*

Proof. (1) Assume that S is a subalgebra of X . Obviously $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}; [s, t], r) = S$. Let $x, y \in X$. If $x, y \in S$, then $x * y \in S$ and so

$$\tilde{\mu}_A(x * y) = [s, t] = \text{rmin}\{[s, t], [s, t]\} = \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(x), \tilde{\mu}_A(y)\}$$

and $\lambda(x * y) = 0 = \max\{0, 0\} = \max\{\lambda(x), \lambda(y)\}$. If $x, y \notin S$, then $\tilde{\mu}_A(x) = \bar{0} = [0, 0] = \tilde{\mu}_A(y)$ and $\lambda(x) = r = \lambda(y)$. Hence

$$\tilde{\mu}_A(x * y) \geq \bar{0} = [0, 0] = \text{rmin}\{\bar{0}, \bar{0}\} = \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(x), \tilde{\mu}_A(y)\}$$

and $\lambda(x * y) \leq r = \max\{r, r\} = \max\{\lambda(x), \lambda(y)\}$. If $x \in S$ and $y \notin S$, then $\tilde{\mu}_A(x) = [s, t]$, $\tilde{\mu}_A(y) = \bar{0}$, $\lambda(x) = 0$ and $\lambda(y) = r$. It follows that

$$\tilde{\mu}_A(x * y) \geq \bar{0} = \text{rmin}\{[s, t], \bar{0}\} = \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(x), \tilde{\mu}_A(y)\}$$

and $\lambda(x * y) \leq r = \max\{0, r\} = \max\{\lambda(x), \lambda(y)\}$. Similarly for the case $x \notin S$ and $y \in S$, we have $\tilde{\mu}_A(x * y) \geq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(x), \tilde{\mu}_A(y)\}$ and $\lambda(x * y) \leq \max\{\lambda(x), \lambda(y)\}$. Therefore $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ is a cubic subalgebra of X .

(2) Suppose that $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ is a cubic subalgebra of X . Let $x, y \in S$. Then $\tilde{\mu}_A(x) = [s, t] = \tilde{\mu}_A(y)$ and $\lambda(x) = 0 = \lambda(y)$, and so

$$\tilde{\mu}_A(x * y) \geq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(x), \tilde{\mu}_A(y)\} = \text{rmin}\{[s, t], [s, t]\} = [s, t]$$

and $\lambda(x * y) \leq \max\{\lambda(x), \lambda(y)\} = 0$. Thus $x * y \in S$, and therefore S is a subalgebra of X . \square

Let X and Y be given sets. A mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ induces two mappings $\mathcal{C}_f : \mathcal{C}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(Y)$, $\mathcal{A} \mapsto \mathcal{C}_f(\mathcal{A})$, and $\mathcal{C}_f^{-1} : \mathcal{C}(Y) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(X)$, $\mathcal{B} \mapsto \mathcal{C}_f^{-1}(\mathcal{B})$, where $\mathcal{C}_f(\mathcal{A})$ is given by

$$\mathcal{C}_f(\tilde{\mu}_A)(y) = \begin{cases} \text{rsup}_{y=f(x)} \tilde{\mu}_A(x) & \text{if } f^{-1}(y) \neq \emptyset \\ \bar{0} = [0, 0] & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{C}_f(\lambda)(y) = \begin{cases} \inf_{y=f(x)} \lambda(x) & \text{if } f^{-1}(y) \neq \emptyset \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

for all $y \in Y$; and $\mathcal{C}_f^{-1}(\mathcal{B})$ is defined by $\mathcal{C}_f^{-1}(\tilde{\mu}_B)(x) = \tilde{\mu}_B(f(x))$ and $\mathcal{C}_f^{-1}(\kappa)(x) = \kappa(f(x))$ for all $x \in X$. Then the mapping \mathcal{C}_f (resp. \mathcal{C}_f^{-1}) is called a *cubic transformation* (resp. *inverse cubic transformation*) induced by f . A cubic set $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ in X has the *cubic property* if for any subset T of X there exists $x_0 \in T$ such that $\tilde{\mu}_A(x_0) = \text{rsup}_{x \in T} \tilde{\mu}_A(x)$ and $\lambda(x_0) = \inf_{x \in T} \lambda(x)$.

Theorem 3.8. *For a homomorphism $f : X \rightarrow Y$ of CI-algebras, let $\mathcal{C}_f : \mathcal{C}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(Y)$ and $\mathcal{C}_f^{-1} : \mathcal{C}(Y) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(X)$ be the cubic transformation and inverse cubic transformation, respectively, induced by f .*

- (1) *If $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle \in \mathcal{C}(X)$ is a cubic subalgebra of X which has the cubic property, then $\mathcal{C}_f(\mathcal{A})$ is a cubic subalgebra of Y .*
- (2) *If $\mathcal{B} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_B, \kappa \rangle \in \mathcal{C}(Y)$ is a cubic subalgebra of Y , then $\mathcal{C}_f^{-1}(\mathcal{B})$ is a cubic subalgebra of X .*

Proof. (1) Given $f(x), f(y) \in f(X)$, let $x_0 \in f^{-1}(f(x))$ and $y_0 \in f^{-1}(f(y))$ be such that

$$\tilde{\mu}_A(x_0) = \text{rsup}_{a \in f^{-1}(f(x))} \tilde{\mu}_A(a), \quad \lambda(x_0) = \inf_{a \in f^{-1}(f(x))} \lambda(a),$$

and

$$\tilde{\mu}_A(y_0) = \text{rsup}_{b \in f^{-1}(f(y))} \tilde{\mu}_A(b), \quad \lambda(y_0) = \inf_{b \in f^{-1}(f(y))} \lambda(b),$$

respectively. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{C}_f(\tilde{\mu}_A)(f(x) * f(y)) &= \text{rsup}_{z \in f^{-1}(f(x) * f(y))} \tilde{\mu}_A(z) \\
&\succeq \tilde{\mu}_A(x_0 * y_0) \succeq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(x_0), \tilde{\mu}_A(y_0)\} \\
&= \text{rmin}\left\{ \text{rsup}_{a \in f^{-1}(f(x))} \tilde{\mu}_A(a), \text{rsup}_{b \in f^{-1}(f(y))} \tilde{\mu}_A(b) \right\} \\
&= \text{rmin}\{\mathcal{C}_f(\tilde{\mu}_A)(f(x)), \mathcal{C}_f(\tilde{\mu}_A)(f(y))\}, \\
\mathcal{C}_f(\lambda)(f(x) * f(y)) &= \inf_{z \in f^{-1}(f(x) * f(y))} \lambda(z) \\
&\leq \lambda(x_0 * y_0) \leq \max\{\lambda(x_0), \lambda(y_0)\} \\
&= \max\left\{ \inf_{a \in f^{-1}(f(x))} \lambda(a), \inf_{b \in f^{-1}(f(y))} \lambda(b) \right\} \\
&= \max\{\mathcal{C}_f(\lambda)(f(x)), \mathcal{C}_f(\lambda)(f(y))\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\mathcal{C}_f(\mathcal{A})$ is a cubic subalgebra of Y .

(2) For any $x, y \in X$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{C}_f^{-1}(\tilde{\mu}_B)(x * y) &= \tilde{\mu}_B(f(x * y)) = \tilde{\mu}_B(f(x) * f(y)) \\
&\succeq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_B(f(x)), \tilde{\mu}_B(f(y))\} \\
&= \text{rmin}\{\mathcal{C}_f^{-1}(\tilde{\mu}_B)(x), \mathcal{C}_f^{-1}(\tilde{\mu}_B)(y)\}, \\
\mathcal{C}_f^{-1}(\kappa)(x * y) &= \kappa(f(x * y)) = \kappa(f(x) * f(y)) \\
&\leq \max\{\kappa(f(x)), \kappa(f(y))\} \\
&= \max\{\mathcal{C}_f^{-1}(\kappa)(x), \mathcal{C}_f^{-1}(\kappa)(y)\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence $\mathcal{C}_f^{-1}(\mathcal{B})$ is a cubic subalgebra of X . \square

4. Cubic filters

Definition 4.1. A cubic set $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle \in \mathcal{C}(X)$ is called a *cubic filter* of X if it satisfies: for all $x, y \in X$,

$$(4.1) \quad (\forall x, y \in X) (\tilde{\mu}_A(1) \succeq \tilde{\mu}_A(x), \lambda(1) \leq \lambda(x)).$$

$$(4.2) \quad (\forall x, y \in X) (\tilde{\mu}_A(y) \succeq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(x), \tilde{\mu}_A(x * y)\}).$$

$$(4.3) \quad (\forall x, y \in X) (\lambda(y) \leq \max\{\lambda(x), \lambda(x * y)\}).$$

Example 4.2. Consider a CI -algebra $X = \{1, a, b, c\}$ in which the $*$ -operation is given by Table 2.

TABLE 2. *-operation

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

We define $\tilde{\mu}_A = [\mu_A^-, \mu_A^+]$ and λ by

$$\tilde{\mu}_A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & b & c \\ [0.5, 0.8] & [0.4, 0.7] & [0.4, 0.7] & [0.1, 0.3] \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\lambda = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & b & c \\ 0.2 & 0.2 & 0.2 & 0.6 \end{pmatrix},$$

respectively. Then $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ is a cubic filter of X .

Proposition 4.3. *Every cubic filter $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ of X satisfies: for all $a, b, x, y, z \in X$,*

- (1) $x * y = 1 \Rightarrow \tilde{\mu}_A(y) \succeq \tilde{\mu}_A(x), \lambda(y) \leq \lambda(x),$
- (2) $a * (b * x) = 1 \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\mu}_A(x) \succeq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(a), \tilde{\mu}_A(b)\} \\ \lambda(x) \leq \max\{\lambda(a), \lambda(b)\} \end{pmatrix}.$
- (3) $\begin{cases} \tilde{\mu}_A(x * z) \succeq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(x * (y * z)), \tilde{\mu}_A(y)\}, \\ \lambda(x * z) \leq \max\{\lambda(x * (y * z)), \lambda(y)\} \end{cases}$
- (4) $\tilde{\mu}_A(x) \preceq \tilde{\mu}_A((x * y) * y), \lambda(x) \geq \lambda((x * y) * y),$
- (5) $\begin{cases} \tilde{\mu}_A((a * (b * x)) * x) \succeq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(a), \tilde{\mu}_A(b)\}, \\ \lambda((a * (b * x)) * x) \leq \max\{\lambda(a), \lambda(b)\}. \end{cases}$

Proof. (1) Assume that $x * y = 1$ for all $x, y \in X$. Then

$$\tilde{\mu}_A(x) = \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(1), \tilde{\mu}_A(x)\} = \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(x * y), \tilde{\mu}_A(x)\} \preceq \tilde{\mu}_A(y)$$

and

$$\lambda(x) = \max\{\lambda(1), \lambda(x)\} = \max\{\lambda(x * y), \lambda(x)\} \geq \lambda(y).$$

(2) Let $a, b, x \in X$ be such that $a * (b * x) = 1$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mu}_A(x) &\succeq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(b * x), \tilde{\mu}_A(b)\} \\ &\succeq \text{rmin}\{\text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(a * (b * x)), \tilde{\mu}_A(a)\}, \tilde{\mu}_A(b)\} \\ &= \text{rmin}\{\text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(1), \tilde{\mu}_A(a)\}, \tilde{\mu}_A(b)\} \\ &= \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(a), \tilde{\mu}_A(b)\} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda(x) &\leq \max\{\lambda(b * x), \lambda(b)\} \\ &\leq \max\{\max\{\lambda(a * (b * x)), \lambda(a)\}, \lambda(b)\} \\ &= \max\{\max\{\lambda(1), \lambda(a)\}, \lambda(b)\} \\ &= \max\{\lambda(a), \lambda(b)\}.\end{aligned}$$

(3) Using (4.2), (4.3) and (CI3), we have

$$\tilde{\mu}_A(x * z) \succeq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(y * (x * z)), \tilde{\mu}_A(y)\} = \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(x * (y * z)), \tilde{\mu}_A(y)\}$$

and

$$\lambda(x * z) \leq \max\{\lambda(y * (x * z)), \lambda(y)\} = \max\{\lambda(x * (y * z)), \lambda(y)\}$$

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

(4) If we take $y = (x * y) * y$ in (4.2) and (4.3), then

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\mu}_A((x * y) * y) &\succeq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(x * ((x * y) * y)), \tilde{\mu}_A(x)\} \\ &= \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A((x * y) * (x * y)), \tilde{\mu}_A(x)\} \\ &= \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(1), \tilde{\mu}_A(x)\} = \tilde{\mu}_A(x)\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda((x * y) * y) &\leq \max\{\lambda(x * ((x * y) * y)), \lambda(x)\} \\ &= \max\{\lambda((x * y) * (x * y)), \lambda(x)\} \\ &= \max\{\lambda(1), \lambda(x)\} = \lambda(x)\end{aligned}$$

by using (CI3), (CI1) and (4.1).

(5) Using (3) and (4), we get

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\mu}_A((a * (b * x)) * x) &\succeq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A((a * (b * x)) * (b * x)), \tilde{\mu}_A(b)\} \\ &\succeq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(a), \tilde{\mu}_A(b)\}\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda((a * (b * x)) * x) &\leq \max\{\lambda((a * (b * x)) * (b * x)), \lambda(b)\} \\ &\leq \max\{\lambda(a), \lambda(b)\}\end{aligned}$$

for all $a, b, x \in X$. □

As a generalization of Proposition 4.3(2), we have the following result.

Proposition 4.4. *If a cubic set $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle \in \mathcal{C}(X)$ is a cubic filter of X , then*

$$(4.4) \quad \prod_{i=1}^n a_i * x = 1 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \tilde{\mu}_A(x) \succeq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(a_i) \mid i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} \\ \lambda(x) \leq \max\{\lambda(a_i) \mid i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} \end{cases}$$

for all $x, a_1, \dots, a_n \in X$, where

$$\prod_{i=1}^n a_i * x = a_n * (a_{n-1} * (\dots (a_1 * x) \dots)).$$

Proof. The proof is by induction on n . Let $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ be a cubic filter of X . By (1) and (2) of Proposition 4.3, we know that the condition (4.4) is valid for $n = 1, 2$. Assume that $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ satisfies the condition (4.4) for $n = k$, that is,

$$\prod_{i=1}^k a_i * x = 1 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \tilde{\mu}_A(x) \succeq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(a_i) \mid i = 1, 2, \dots, k\} \\ \lambda(x) \leq \max\{\lambda(a_i) \mid i = 1, 2, \dots, k\} \end{cases}$$

for all $x, a_1, \dots, a_k \in X$. Suppose that $\prod_{i=1}^{k+1} a_i * x = 1$ for all $x, a_1, \dots, a_k, a_{k+1} \in X$. Then

$$\tilde{\mu}_A(a_1 * x) \succeq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(a_i) \mid i = 2, 3, \dots, k+1\}$$

and

$$\lambda(a_1 * x) \leq \max\{\lambda(a_i) \mid i = 2, 3, \dots, k+1\}.$$

Since $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ is a cubic filter of X , it follows from (4.2) and (4.3) that

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mu}_A(x) &\succeq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(a_1 * x), \tilde{\mu}_A(a_1)\} \\ &\succeq \text{rmin}\{\text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(a_i) \mid i = 2, 3, \dots, k+1\}, \tilde{\mu}_A(a_1)\} \\ &= \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(a_i) \mid i = 1, 2, \dots, k+1\} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(x) &\leq \max\{\lambda(a_1 * x), \lambda(a_1)\} \\ &\leq \max\{\max\{\lambda(a_i) \mid i = 2, 3, \dots, k+1\}, \lambda(a_1)\} \\ &= \max\{\lambda(a_i) \mid i = 1, 2, \dots, k+1\}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof. \square

We now provide conditions for a cubic set to be a cubic filter.

Theorem 4.5. *If a cubic set $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle \in \mathcal{C}(X)$ satisfies two conditions (4.1) and Proposition 4.3(2), then $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ is a cubic filter of X .*

Proof. Since $x * ((x * y) * y) = 1$ for all $x, y \in X$, it follows from Proposition 4.3(2) that

$$\tilde{\mu}_A(y) \succeq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(x * y), \tilde{\mu}_A(x)\}$$

and

$$\lambda(y) \leq \max\{\max(x * y), \max(x)\}$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Therefore $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ is a cubic filter of X . \square

Theorem 4.6. *If a cubic set $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle \in \mathcal{C}(X)$ satisfies two conditions (4.1) and Proposition 4.3(3), then $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ is a cubic filter of X .*

Proof. If we take $x = 1$ in Proposition 4.3(3) and use (CI2), then

$$\tilde{\mu}_A(z) = \tilde{\mu}_A(1 * z) \succeq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(1 * (y * z)), \tilde{\mu}_A(y)\} = \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A(y * z), \tilde{\mu}_A(y)\}$$

and

$$\lambda(z) = \lambda(1 * z) \leq \max\{\lambda(1 * (y * z)), \lambda(y)\} = \max\{\lambda(y * z), \lambda(y)\}$$

for all $y, z \in X$. Hence $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ is a cubic filter of X . \square

Theorem 4.7. *If a cubic set $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle \in \mathcal{C}(X)$ satisfies Proposition 4.3(5) and*

$$(4.5) \quad (\forall x, y \in X) (\tilde{\mu}_A(y * x) \succeq \tilde{\mu}_A(x), \lambda(y * x) \leq \lambda(x)),$$

then $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ is a cubic filter of X .

Proof. Using (CI1), (CI2) and Proposition 4.3(5), we have

$$\tilde{\mu}_A(y) = \tilde{\mu}_A(1 * y) = \tilde{\mu}_A(((x * y) * (x * y)) * y) \succeq \text{rmin}\{\tilde{\mu}_A((x * y)), \tilde{\mu}_A((x))\}$$

and

$$\lambda(y) = \lambda(1 * y) = \lambda(((x * y) * (x * y)) * y) \leq \text{rmin}\{\lambda((x * y)), \lambda((x))\}$$

for all $x, y \in X$. If we take $y = x$ in (4.5), then $\tilde{\mu}_A(1) = \tilde{\mu}_A(x * x) \succeq \tilde{\mu}_A(x)$ and $\lambda(1) = \lambda(x * x) \leq \lambda(x)$ for all $x \in X$. Consequently, $\mathcal{A} = \langle \tilde{\mu}_A, \lambda \rangle$ is a cubic filter of X . \square

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