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## On Fuzzy Ideals in $\Gamma$ -Semigroups

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#### Abstract

In this paper the notion of fuzzy ideals of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup has been introduced and some of their properties have been investigated. Characterization of a regular  $\Gamma$ -semigroup in terms of fuzzy ideals has been obtained. Operator semigroups of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup has been made to work by obtaining various relationships between fuzzy ideals of a  $\Gamma$ semigroup and that of its operator semigroups. These results are then used to revisit some results of  $\Gamma$ -semigroups.

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# 1 Introduction

 $\Gamma$ -semigroup was introduced by Sen and Saha[8] as a generalization of semigroup and ternary semigroup. Many results of semigroups could be extended to  $\Gamma$ -semigroups directly and via operator semigroups[1] of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup. Many authors have studied semigroups in terms of fuzzy sets[9]. Kuroki [5,6] is the main contributor to this study. Motivated by Kuroki [5], Mustafa et all[7] we have initiated the study of  $\Gamma$ -semigroups in terms of fuzzy sets. The purpose of this paper is as stated in the abstract.

In §3 we introduce the notion of fuzzy ideals of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup and obtain some of their properties.

In §4 we define composition of fuzzy ideals of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup and characterize regular  $\Gamma$ -semigroups in terms of fuzzy ideals.

In §5, in order to make operator semigroups of  $\Gamma$ -semigroup to work in the context of fuzzy sets as it worked in the study of  $\Gamma$ -semigroups[1,2,3], we obtain various relationships between fuzzy ideals of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup and that of its operator semigroups. Here, among other results we obtain an inclusion preserving bijection between the set of all fuzzy ideals of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup and that of its operator semigroups. This bijection is then used to give new proofs of its ideal analogue obtained in [2].

## 2 Preliminaries

A fuzzy subset[9] of a non-empty set X is a function  $\mu: X \to [0, 1]$ .

Let S and  $\Gamma$  be two non-empty sets. S is called a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup[2] if there exist mappings from  $S \times \Gamma \times S$  to S, written as  $(a, \alpha, b) \longrightarrow a\alpha b$ , and from  $\Gamma \times S \times \Gamma$  to  $\Gamma$ , written as  $(\alpha, a, \beta) \longrightarrow \alpha a\beta$  satisfying the following associative laws  $(a\alpha b)\beta c = a(\alpha b\beta)c = a\alpha(b\beta c)$  and  $\alpha(a\beta b)\gamma = (\alpha a\beta)b\gamma = \alpha a(\beta b\gamma)$  for all  $a, b, c \in S$  and for all  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \Gamma$ .

Let S be a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup. By a *left(right) ideal*[2] of S we mean a non-empty subset A of S such that  $S\Gamma A \subseteq A(A\Gamma S \subseteq A)$ . By a *two-sided ideal or simply* an *ideal*[2], we mean a non-empty subset of S which is both a left and a right ideal of S.

A  $\Gamma$ -semigroup S is called regular[2] if, for each element x in S, there exist  $\beta \in \Gamma$  such that  $x = x\beta x$ .

## **3** Fuzzy Ideals in Γ-Semigroup

A non-empty fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup S is called a *fuzzy left ideal*[7] of S if  $\mu(x\gamma y) \ge \mu(y) \ \forall x, y \in S, \ \forall \gamma \in \Gamma$ .

A non-empty fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup S is called a *fuzzy right ideal*[7] of S if  $\mu(x\gamma y) \ge \mu(x) \ \forall x, y \in S, \forall \gamma \in \Gamma$ .

A non-empty fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup S is called a *fuzzy ideal*[7] of S if it is both a fuzzy left ideal and a fuzzy right ideal of S.

**Example:** Let S be the set of all non-positive integers and  $\Gamma$  be the set of all non-positive even integers. Then S is a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup if  $a\gamma b$  and  $\alpha a\beta$  denote the usual multiplication of integers  $a, \gamma, b$  and  $\alpha, a, \beta$  respectively where  $a, b \in S$  and  $\alpha.\beta, \gamma \in \Gamma$ . Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy subset of S, defined as follows

$$\mu(x) = \begin{cases} 1, \text{ if } x = 0 \\ 0.1, \text{ if } x = -1, -2 \\ 0.2, \text{ if } x < -2 \end{cases}$$
. Then  $\mu$  is a fuzzy ideal of  $S$ 

We omit the proof of the following as they can be deduced easily.

**Theorem 3.1** Let I be a non-empty subset of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup S and  $\chi_I$  be the characteristic function of I, then I is a left ideal(right ideal, ideal) of S if and only if  $\chi_I$  is a fuzzy left ideal(resp. fuzzy right ideal, fuzzy ideal) of S.

**Proposition 3.2** Let I be a left ideal(right ideal, ideal) of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup S and  $\alpha \leq \beta \neq 0$  be any two elements in [0,1], then the fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of S, defined by  $\mu(x) = \begin{cases} \beta, & \text{if } x \in I \\ \alpha, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$  is a fuzzy left ideal(resp. fuzzy right ideal, fuzzy ideal) of S.

**Theorem 3.3** Let S be a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup and  $\mu$  be a non-empty fuzzy subset of S, then  $\mu$  is a fuzzy left ideal(fuzzy right ideal, fuzzy ideal) of S if and only if  $\mu_t$ 's are left ideals(resp. right ideals, ideals) of S for all  $t \in Im(\mu)$  where  $\mu_t = \{x \in S : \mu(x) \ge t\}.$ 

**Definition 3.4** Let S be a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup and  $\mu$  be a fuzzy left ideal(fuzzy right ideal, fuzzy ideal) of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup S. Then the ideals  $\mu_t$ 's are called the level left ideals(resp. level right ideals, level ideals) of  $\mu$  where  $t \in Im(\mu)$ .

**Theorem 3.5** Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy left ideal(fuzzy right ideal, fuzzy ideal) of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup S and  $t_1 > t_2$ . Then  $\mu_{t_1} \subseteq \mu_{t_2}$  where  $t_1, t_2 \in Im(\mu)$ , equality occurs if and only if there is no  $x \in S$  such that  $t_1 \leq \mu(x) < t_2$ .

**Proof.** The first part of the theorem follows easily. Now let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy left ideal of S such that  $\mu_{t_1} = \mu_{t_2}$ . If possible let there exists  $x \in S$  such that  $t_1 \leq \mu(x) < t_2$ . Then  $x \in \mu_{t_1}$  but  $x \notin \mu_{t_2}$ , which is a contradiction. So there exist no  $x \in S$  such that  $t_1 \leq \mu(x) \leq t_2$ .

Conversely, suppose  $\mu$  is a fuzzy left ideal of S such that there does not exist  $x \in S$  with  $t_1 \leq \mu(x) < t_2$ . Since  $t_1 < t_2$ , then  $\mu_{t_2} \subseteq \mu_{t_1}$  (cf. Definition 3.4). If possible let  $\mu_{t_1} \neq \mu_{t_2}$ . Then there is some  $y \in S$  such that  $y \in \mu_{t_1}$  but  $y \notin \mu_{t_2}$ , i.e,  $\mu(y) \geq t_1$  but  $\mu(y) < t_2$ , i.e,  $t_1 \leq \mu(y) < t_2$ , which contradicts our assumption. Hence  $\mu_{t_1} = \mu_{t_2}$ . By applying similar argument we can prove the theorem when  $\mu$  is a fuzzy right ideal and a fuzzy ideal.

**Theorem 3.6** Let  $f : R \to S$  be a homomorphism of  $\Gamma$ -semigroups (i) If  $\lambda$  is a fuzzy left ideal(fuzzy right ideal, fuzzy ideal) of S, then  $f^{-1}(\lambda)$  is also a fuzzy left ideal(resp. fuzzy right ideal, fuzzy ideal) of R (where  $f^{-1}(\lambda)(r\gamma s) := \lambda(f(r\gamma s))$  for all  $r, s \in R$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ), provided  $f^{-1}(\lambda)$  is non-empty. (ii) If f is a surjective homomorphism and  $\mu$  is a fuzzy left ideal(fuzzy right ideal, fuzzy ideal) of R then,  $f(\mu)$  is also a fuzzy left ideal(resp. fuzzy right ideal, fuzzy ideal) of S (where  $(f(\mu)(x)) := \sup_{f(y)=x} \mu(y), x \in S, y \in R$ ).

**Proof.** (i) Let  $\lambda$  be a fuzzy left ideal of S. Let  $r, s \in R$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Then  $(f^{-1}(\lambda))(r\gamma s) = \lambda(f(r\gamma s)) = \lambda(f(r)\gamma f(s)) \geq \lambda(f(s)) = (f^{-1}(\lambda))(s)$ . Thus  $(f^{-1}(\lambda))$  is a fuzzy left ideal of R.

(ii) Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy left ideal of R. Since  $(f(\mu))(x') = \sup_{\substack{f(x)=x'\\f(x)=x'}} \mu(x)$  for  $x' \in S$ , so  $f(\mu)$  is non-empty. Let  $x', y' \in S$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Then  $(f(\mu))(x'\gamma y') = \sup_{\substack{f(x)=x'\\f(z)=x'\gamma y'\\f(x)=x'\\f(y)=y'}} \mu(x\gamma y) \ge \sup_{\substack{f(y)=y'\\f(y)=y'\\f(y)=y'}} \mu(y) = (f(\mu))(y').$ 

Thus  $f(\mu)$  is a fuzzy left ideal of S. In a similar way we can prove the theorem when  $\lambda, \mu$  are fuzzy right ideals and fuzzy ideals.

#### 4 Composition of Fuzzy Ideals

**Definition 4.1** Let S be a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup and  $\mu_1, \mu_2 \in FLI(S)[FRI(S), FI(S)]^1$ . Then the product  $\mu_1 \circ \mu_2$  of  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$  is defined as  $(\mu_1 \circ \mu_2)(x) = \begin{cases} \sup_{\substack{x=u\gamma v \\ 0, \text{ if for any } u, v \in S \text{ and for any } \gamma \in \Gamma, x \neq u\gamma v \end{cases}$ 

**Theorem 4.2** In a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup S the following are equivalent. (i) $\mu$  is a fuzzy left(right) ideal of S. (ii) $\chi \circ \mu \subseteq \mu(\mu \circ \chi \subseteq \mu)$ , where  $\chi$  is the characteristic function of S.

**Proof.** Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy left ideal of S. Let  $a \in S$ . Suppose there exist  $u, v \in S$ and  $\delta \in \Gamma$  such that  $a = u\delta v$ . Then, since  $\mu$  is a fuzzy left ideal of S, we have  $(\chi \circ \mu)(a) = \sup_{a=x\gamma y} [\min\{\chi(x), \mu(y)\}] = \sup_{a=x\gamma y} [\min\{1, \mu(y)\}] = \sup_{a=x\gamma y} \mu(y)$ . Now since  $\mu$  is a fuzzy left ideal,  $\mu(x\gamma y) \ge \mu(y)$  for all  $x, y \in S$  and for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . So in particular,  $\mu(y) \le \mu(a)$  for all  $a = x\gamma y$ . Hence  $\sup_{a=x\gamma y} \mu(y) \le \mu(a)$ . Thus  $\mu(a) \ge (\chi \circ \mu)(a)$ . If there do not exist  $x, y \in S, \gamma \in \Gamma$  such that  $a = x\gamma y$  then  $(\chi \circ \mu)(a) = 0 \le \mu(a)$ . Hence  $\chi \circ \mu \subseteq \mu$ . By a similar argument we can show that  $\mu \circ \chi \subseteq \mu$  when  $\mu$  is a fuzzy right ideal.

Conversely, let  $\chi \circ \mu \subseteq \mu$ . Let  $x, y \in S$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  and  $a := x\gamma y$ . Then  $\mu(x\gamma y) = \mu(a) \geq (\chi \circ \mu)(a)$ . Now  $(\chi \circ \mu)(a) = \sup_{a=u\alpha v} [\min\{\chi(u), \mu(v)\}] \geq \min\{\chi(x), \mu(y)\} = \min\{1, \mu(y)\} = \mu(y)$ . Hence  $\mu(x\gamma y) \geq \mu(y)$ . Hence  $\mu$  is a fuzzy left ideal of S. By a similar argument we can show that if  $\mu \circ \chi \subseteq \mu$  then  $\mu$  is a fuzzy right ideal of S.

Using the above theorem we can deduce the following theorem.

 $<sup>{}^{1}</sup>FLI(S)$ , FRI(S), FI(S) denote respectively the set of all fuzzy left ideals, fuzzy right ideals, fuzzy ideals of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup S.

**Theorem 4.3** In a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup S the following are equivalent. (i) $\mu$  is a fuzzy two-sided ideal of S. (ii) $\chi \circ \mu \subseteq \mu$  and  $\mu \circ \chi \subseteq \mu$ , where  $\chi$  is the characteristic function of S.

**Proposition 4.4** Let  $\mu_1$  be a fuzzy right ideal and  $\mu_2$  be a fuzzy left ideal of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup S. Then  $\mu_1 \circ \mu_2 \subseteq \mu_1 \cap \mu_2$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\mu_1$  be a fuzzy right ideal and  $\mu_2$  be a fuzzy left ideal of a  $\Gamma$ semigroup S. Let  $x \in S$ . Suppose there exist  $u_1, v_1 \in S$  and  $\gamma_1 \in \Gamma$  such that  $x = u_1 \gamma_1 v_1$ .

Then  $(\mu_1 \circ \mu_2)(x) = \sup_{x=u\gamma v} \min\{\mu_1(u), \mu_2(v)\} \leq \sup_{x=u\gamma v} \min\{\mu_1(u\gamma v), \mu_2(u\gamma v)\}$ =  $\min\{\mu_1(x), \mu_2)(x) = (\mu_1 \cap \mu_2)(x)$ . Suppose there do not exist  $u, v \in S$  such that  $x = u\gamma v$ . Then  $(\mu_1 \circ \mu_2)(x) = 0 \leq (\mu_1 \cap \mu_2)(x)$ . Thus  $\mu_1 \circ \mu_2 \subseteq \mu_1 \cap \mu_2$ .

From the above proposition and the definition of  $\mu_1 \cap \mu_2$  the following proposition follows easily.

**Proposition 4.5** Let  $\mu_1, \mu_2 \in FI(S)$ . Then  $\mu_1 \circ \mu_2 \subseteq \mu_1 \cap \mu_2 \subseteq \mu_1, \mu_2$ .

**Proposition 4.6** Let S be a regular  $\Gamma$ -semigroup and  $\mu_1, \mu_2$  be two fuzzy subsets of S. Then  $\mu_1 \circ \mu_2 \supseteq \mu_1 \cap \mu_2$ .

**Proof.** Let  $c \in S$ . Since S is regular, then there exists an element  $x \in S$ and  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2 \in \Gamma$  such that  $c = c\gamma_1 x \gamma_2 c = c\gamma c$  where  $\gamma := \gamma_1 x \gamma_2 \in \Gamma$ . Now  $(\mu_1 \circ \mu_2)(c) = \sup_{c=u\alpha v} \{\min\{\mu_1(u), \mu_2(v)\} \ge \min\{\mu_1(c), \mu_2(c)\} = (\mu_1 \cap \mu_2)(c).$ Therefore  $\mu_1 \circ \mu_2 \supseteq \mu_1 \cap \mu_2$ .

**Theorem 4.7** In a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup S the following are equivalent. (i)S is regular. (ii) $\mu_1 \circ \mu_2 = \mu_1 \cap \mu_2$  for every fuzzy right ideal  $\mu_1$  and every fuzzy left ideal  $\mu_2$  of S.

**Proof.** Let S be a regular  $\Gamma$ -semigroup. Then by Proposition 4.6,  $\mu_1 \circ \mu_2 \supseteq \mu_1 \cap \mu_2$ . Again by Proposition 4.5,  $\mu_1 \circ \mu_2 \subseteq \mu_1 \cap \mu_2$ . Hence  $\mu_1 \circ \mu_2 = \mu_1 \cap \mu_2$ .

Conversely, let S be a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup and for every fuzzy right ideal  $\mu_1$  and every fuzzy left ideal  $\mu_2$  of S,  $\mu_1 \circ \mu_2 = \mu_1 \cap \mu_2$ . Let L and R be respectively a left ideal and a right ideal of S and  $x \in R \cap L$ . Then  $x \in R$  and  $x \in L$ . Hence  $\chi_L(x) = \chi_R(x) = 1$  (where  $\chi_L(x)$  and  $\chi_R(x)$  are respectively the characteristic functions of L and R). Thus  $(\chi_R \cap \chi_L)(x) = \min\{\chi_R(x), \chi_L(x)\} = 1$ . Now by Theorem 3.1,  $\chi_L$  and  $\chi_R$  are respectively a fuzzy left ideal and a fuzzy right ideal of S. Hence by hypothesis,  $\chi_R \circ \chi_L = \chi_R \cap \chi_L$ . Hence  $(\chi_R \circ \chi_L)(x) = 1$ , i.e.,  $\sup_{x=y\gamma z} [\min\{\chi_R(y), \chi_L(z)\} : y, z \in S; \gamma \in \Gamma] = 1$ . This implies that there exist some  $r, s \in S$  and  $\gamma_1 \in \Gamma$  such that  $x = r\gamma_1 s$  and  $\chi_R(r) = 1 = \chi_L(s)$ . Hence  $r \in R$  and  $s \in L$ . Hence  $x \in R\Gamma L$ . Thus  $R \cap L \subseteq R\Gamma L$ . Also  $R\Gamma L \subseteq R \cap L$ . Hence  $R\Gamma L = R \cap L$ . Consequently, the  $\Gamma$ -semigroup S is regular(cf. Theorem 1[2]).

#### 5 Corresponding Fuzzy Ideals

**Definition 5.1** [2] Let S be a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup. Let us define a relation  $\rho$  on  $S \times \Gamma$ as follows :  $(x, \alpha)\rho(y, \beta)$  if and only if  $x\alpha s = y\beta s$  for all  $s \in S$  and  $\gamma x\alpha = \gamma y\beta$  for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Then  $\rho$  is an equivalence relation. Let  $[x, \alpha]$  denote the equivalence class containing  $(x, \alpha)$ . Let  $L = \{[x, \alpha] : x \in S, \alpha \in \Gamma\}$ . Then L is a semigroup with respect to the multiplication defined by  $[x, \alpha][y, \beta] = [x\alpha y, \beta]$ . This semigroup L is called the left operator semigroup of the  $\Gamma$ -semigroup S. Dually the right operator semigroup R of  $\Gamma$ -semigroup S is defined where the multiplication is defined by  $[\alpha, a][\beta, b] = [\alpha a\beta, b]$ .

**Definition 5.2** For a fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of R we define a fuzzy subset  $\mu^*$  of S by  $\mu^*(a) = \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu([\gamma, a])$ , where  $a \in S$ . For a fuzzy subset  $\sigma$  of S we define a fuzzy subset  $\sigma^{*'}$  of R by  $\sigma^{*'}([\alpha, a]) = \inf_{s \in S} \sigma(s\alpha a)$ , where  $[\alpha, a] \in R$ . For a fuzzy subset  $\delta$  of L, we define a fuzzy subset  $\delta^+$  of S by  $\delta^+(a) = \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \delta([a, \gamma])$  where  $a \in S$ . For a fuzzy subset  $\eta$  of S we define a fuzzy subset  $\eta^{+'}$  of L by  $\eta^{+'}([a, \alpha]) = \inf_{s \in S} \eta(a\alpha s)$ , where  $[a, \alpha] \in L$ .

Now we recall the following propositions from [2] which were proved therein for one sided ideals. But the results can be proved to be true for two sided ideals.

**Proposition 5.3** [2] Let S be a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup with unities and L be its left operator semigroup. If A is a (right) ideal of L then  $A^+$  is a(right) ideal of S.

**Proposition 5.4** [2] Let S be a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup with unities and L be its left operator semigroup. If B is a (right)ideal of S then  $B^{+'}$  is a(right)ideal of L.

**Proposition 5.5** [2] Let S be a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup with unities and R be its right operator semigroup. If A is a (left)ideal of R then  $A^*$  is a(left)ideal of S.

**Proposition 5.6** [2] Let S be a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup with unities and R be its right operator semigroup. If B is a (left)ideal of S then  $B^{*'}$  is a(left)ideal of R.

For convenience of the readers, we may note that for a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup S and its left, right operator semigroups L, R respectively four mappings namely ()<sup>+</sup>, ()<sup>+'</sup>, ()<sup>+</sup>, ()<sup>\*'</sup> occur. They are defined as follows: For  $I \subseteq R, I^* = \{s \in S, [\alpha, s] \in I \forall \alpha \in \Gamma\}$ ; for  $P \subseteq S, P^{*'} = \{[\alpha, x] \in R : s\alpha x \in P \forall s \in S\}$ ; for  $J \subseteq L, J^+ = \{s \in S, [s, \alpha] \in J \forall \alpha \in \Gamma\}$ ; for  $Q \subseteq S, Q^{+'} = \{[x, \alpha] \in L : x\alpha s \in Q \forall s \in S\}$ . **Proposition 5.7** If  $\mu$  is a fuzzy subset of R (the right operator semigroup of the  $\Gamma$ -semigroup S), then  $(\mu_t)^* = (\mu^*)_t$  for all  $t \in [0, 1]$  such that the sets are non-empty.

**Proof.** Let  $s \in S$ . Then  $s \in (\mu_t)^* \Leftrightarrow [\gamma, s] \in \mu_t \ \forall \gamma \in \Gamma \Leftrightarrow \mu([\gamma, s]) \ge t \ \forall \gamma \in \Gamma \Leftrightarrow \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu([\gamma, s]) \ge t \Leftrightarrow \mu^*(s) \ge t \Leftrightarrow s \in (\mu^*)_t$ . Thus  $(\mu_t)^* = (\mu^*)_t$ .

**Proposition 5.8** Let  $\sigma$  is a fuzzy subset of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup S. Then  $(\sigma_t)^{*'} = (\sigma^{*'})_t$  for all  $t \in [0, 1]$  such that the sets under consideration are non-empty.

**Proof.** Let  $[\alpha, x] \in R$  and t is as mentioned in the statement. Then  $[\alpha, x] \in (\sigma_t)^{s'} \Leftrightarrow s\alpha x \subseteq \sigma_t \ \forall s \in S \Leftrightarrow \sigma(s\alpha x) \ge t \ \forall s \in S \Leftrightarrow \inf_{s \in S} \sigma(s\alpha x) \ge t \Leftrightarrow \sigma^{s'}([\alpha, x]) \ge t \Leftrightarrow [\alpha, x] \in (\sigma^{s'})_t$ . Thus  $(\sigma_t)^{s'} = (\sigma^{s'})_t$ .

In what follows S denotes a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup with unities[1], L,R its left and right operator semigroups respectively.

**Proposition 5.9** If  $\mu \in FI(R)(FLI(R))$ , then  $\mu^* \in FI(S)$  (respectively FLI (S)]).

**Proof.** Suppose  $\mu \in FI(R)$ . Then  $\mu_t$  is an ideal of  $R \quad \forall t \in Im(\mu)$ . Hence  $(\mu_t)^*$  is an ideal of  $S \forall t \in Im(\mu)(cf.$  Proposition 5.5). Now since  $\mu$  is fuzzy ideal of R,  $\mu$  is a non-empty fuzzy subset of R. Hence for some  $[\alpha, s] \in R, \mu([\alpha, s]) > 0$ . Then  $\mu_t \neq \phi$  where  $t := \mu([\alpha, s])$ . So by the same argument applied above  $(\mu_t)^* \neq \phi$ . Let  $u \in (\mu_t)^*$ . Then  $[\beta, u] \in \mu_t$  for all  $\beta \in \Gamma$ . Hence  $\mu([\beta, u]) \geq t$ . This implies that  $\inf_{\beta \in \Gamma} \mu([\beta, u]) \geq t$ , i.e.,  $\mu^*(u) \geq t$ . Hence  $u \in (\mu^*)_t$ . Hence  $(\mu^*)_t \neq \phi$ . Consequently,  $(\mu_t)^* = (\mu^*)_t(cf.$  Proposition 5.7). It follows that  $(\mu^*)_t$  is an ideal of S for all  $t \in Im(\mu)$ . Hence  $\mu^*$  is a fuzzy ideal of S(cf. Theorem 3.3). The proof for fuzzy left ideal follows similarly.

In a similar fashion by using Propositions 5.6, 5.8 and Theorem 3.3 we deduce the following proposition.

**Proposition 5.10** If  $\sigma \in FI(S)(FLI(S))$ , then  $\sigma^{*'} \in FI(R)$  (respectively FLI(R)).

We can also deduce the following left operator analogues of the above propositions.

**Proposition 5.11** If  $\delta \in FI(L)[FRI(L)]$ , then  $\delta^+ \in FI(S)$  [respectively FRI(S)].

**Proposition 5.12** If  $\eta \in FI(S)(FRI(S))$ , then  $\eta^{+'} \in FI(L)$  (respectively FR I(L)).

**Theorem 5.13** Let S be a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup with unities and L be its left operator semigroup. Then there exist an inclusion preserving bijection  $\sigma \mapsto \sigma^{+'}$  between the set of all fuzzy ideals (fuzzy right ideals) of S and set of all fuzzy ideals (resp. fuzzy right ideals) of L, where  $\sigma$  is a fuzzy ideal (resp. fuzzy right ideal) of S.

**Proof.** Let  $\sigma \in FI(S)(FRI(S))$  and  $x \in S$ . Then  $(\sigma^{+'})^+(x) = \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \sigma^{+'}([x, \gamma]) = \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} [\inf_{s \in S} \sigma(x\gamma s)] \geq \sigma(x)$ . Hence  $\sigma \subseteq (\sigma^{+'})^+$ . Let  $[\gamma, f]$  be the right unity of S. Then  $x\gamma f = x$  for all  $x \in S$ . Now  $\sigma(x) = \sigma(x\gamma f) \geq \inf_{\alpha \in \Gamma} [\inf_{s \in S} \sigma(x\alpha s)] = \inf_{\alpha \in \Gamma} \sigma^{+'}([x, \alpha]) = (\sigma^{+'})^+(x)$ . So  $\sigma \supseteq (\sigma^{+'})^+$ . Hence  $(\sigma^{+'})^+ = \sigma$ . Now let  $\mu \in FI(L)(FRI(S)$ . Then  $(\mu^+)^{+'}([x, \alpha]) = \inf_{s \in S} \mu^+(x\alpha s) = \inf_{s \in S} [\inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu([x\alpha s, \gamma]) = \inf_{s \in S} [\inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu([x, \alpha][s, \gamma]) \geq \mu([x, \alpha])$ . So  $\mu \subseteq (\mu^+)^{+'}$ . Let  $[e, \delta]$  be the left unity of L. Then  $\mu([x, \alpha]) = \mu([x, \alpha][e, \delta]) \geq \inf_{s \in S} [\inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu([x, \alpha][s, \gamma]) = (\mu^+)^{+'}([x, \alpha])$ . So  $\mu \supseteq (\mu^+)^{+'}$  and hence  $\mu = (\mu^+)^{+'}$ . Thus the correspondence  $\sigma \mapsto \sigma^{+'}$  is a bijection. Now let  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2 \in FI(S)(FRI(S))$  be such that  $\sigma_1 \subseteq \sigma_2$ . Then for all  $[x, \alpha] \in L, \sigma_1^{+'}([x, \alpha]) = \inf_{s \in S} \sigma_1(x\alpha s) \leq \inf_{s \in S} \sigma_2(x\alpha s) = \sigma_2^{+'}([x, \alpha])$ . Thus  $\sigma_1^{+'} \subseteq \sigma_2^{+'}$ . Similarly we can show that if  $\mu_1 \subseteq \mu_2$  where  $\mu_1, \mu_2 \in FI(L)(FRI(L))$  then  $\mu_1^+ \subseteq \mu_2^+$ . Hence  $\sigma \mapsto \sigma^{+'}$  is an inclusion preserving bijection. The rest of the proof follows from Propositions 5.11 and 5.12.

In a similar way by using Propositions 5.9 and 5.10 we can deduce the following theorem.

**Theorem 5.14** Let S be a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup with unities and R be its right operator semigroup. Then there exist an inclusion preserving bijection  $\sigma \mapsto \sigma^{*'}$  between the set of all fuzzy ideals (fuzzy left ideals) of S and set of all fuzzy ideals (resp. fuzzy left ideals) of R, where  $\sigma$  is a fuzzy ideal (resp. fuzzy left ideal) of S.

Now to apply the above theorem for giving a new proof of Theorem 4.6 ([2]) and its two sided ideal analogue we obtain the following lemmas.

**Lemma 5.15** Let I be a (left) ideal of the right operator semigroup R of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup S. Then  $(\lambda_I)^* = \lambda_{I^*}$  where  $\lambda_I$  denotes the characteristic function of I.

**Proof.** Suppose  $s \in I^*$ . Then  $[\beta, s] \in I$  for all  $\beta \in \Gamma$ . This means  $\inf_{\beta \in \Gamma} (\lambda_I([\beta, s])) = 1$ . Also  $\lambda_{I^*}(s) = 1$ . Now suppose  $s \notin I^*$ . Then there exists  $\delta \in \Gamma$  such that  $[\delta, s] \notin I$ . Hence  $\lambda_I([\delta, s]) = 0$  and so  $\inf_{\beta \in \Gamma} (\lambda_I([\beta, s])) = 0$ . Hence  $(\lambda_I)^*(s) = 0$ . Again  $(\lambda_{I^*})(s) = 0$ . Thus  $(\lambda_I)^* = \lambda_I^*$ .

By applying similar argument as above we deduce the following lemma.

**Lemma 5.16** Let I be a(right) ideal of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup S and R be the right operator semigroup of S. Then  $(\lambda_I)^{*'} = \lambda_{I^{*'}}$ .

**Remark 5.17** By drawing an analogy we can deduce results similar to the above lemmas for left operator semigroup L of the  $\Gamma$ -semigroup S.

**Theorem 5.18** [2] Let S be a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup with unities. Then there exists an inclusion preserving bijection between the set of all ideals (left ideals) of S and that of its right operator semigroup R via the mapping  $I \to I^{*'}$ .

**Proof.** Let us denote the mapping  $I \to I^{*'}$  by  $\phi$ . This is actually a mapping follows from Proposition 5.6. Now let  $\phi(I_1) = \phi(I_2)$ . Then  $I_1^{*'} = I_2^{*'}$ . This implies that  $\lambda_{I_1^{*'}} = \lambda_{I_2^{*'}}($  where  $\lambda_I$  is the characteristic function I). Hence by Lemma 5.16,  $(\lambda_{I_1})^{*'} = (\lambda_{I_2})^{*'}$ . This together with Theorem 5.14 gives  $\lambda_{I_1} = \lambda_{I_2}$  whence  $I_1 = I_2$ . Consequently  $\phi$  is one-one. Let I be a (left) ideal of R. Then its characteristic function  $\lambda_I$  is a fuzzy (left) ideal of R. Hence by Theorem 5.14,  $((\lambda_I)^{*)^{*'}} = \lambda_I$ . This implies that  $\lambda_{(I^*)^{*'}} = \lambda_I$  (cf. Lemmas 5.15 and 5.16). Hence  $(I^*)^{*'} = I$ , i.e.,  $\phi(I^*) = I$ . Now since  $I^*$  is a (left) ideal of S (cf. Proposition 5.5), it follows that  $\phi$  is onto. Let  $I_1, I_2$  be two (left) ideals of S with  $I_1 \subseteq I_2$ . Then  $\lambda_{I_1} \subseteq \lambda_{I_2}$ . Hence by Theorem 5.14,  $(\lambda_{I_2})^{*'}$  i.e.,  $\lambda_{I_1^{*'}} \subseteq \lambda_{I_2^{*'}}$  (cf. Lemma 5.16) which gives  $I_1^{*'} \subseteq I_2^{*'}$ .

**Remark 5.19** Now by using a similar argument as above and with the help of lemmas dual to Lemmas 5.15, 5.16(cf. Remark 5.17) and Theorem 5.15 we can deduce that the mapping  $()^{+'}$  is an inclusion preserving bijection(with  $()^{+}$ as the inverse) between the set of all ideals(right ideals) of S and that of its left operator semigroup L.

**Concluding Remark:** Results of fuzzy semigroups can be extended to the general setting of fuzzy  $\Gamma$ -semigroups via operator semigroups as various relationships between fuzzy subsets of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup and that of its operator semigroups are found to be true and many results of  $\Gamma$ -semigroup can be rediscovered with the help of fuzzification which is illustrated in Theorem 5.18 and Remark 5.19.

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