

PRODUCTS OF  $(a,b ; \in_a , \in_a \vee q_{(a,b)})$  - FUZZY SUBGROUPS

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**Abstract :** Internal direct product , semidirect product , subdirect product and amalgamated product of  $(a,b ; \in_a , \in_a \vee q_{(a,b)})$ - fuzzy subgroups are discussed . Some results concerning level subgroups are obtained .

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### 1. INTRODUCTION:

Given a subinterval  $[a,b]$  of  $I$  , with a view to study fuzzy subsystems  $\lambda$  of a universal algebra  $G$  such that  $\lambda_t$  are subalgebras of  $G \forall t \in [a,b]$  , the notion of an  $(a,b ; \alpha , \beta )$  fuzzy subalgebra was introduced in [1] . It was found that  $(a,b ; \in_a , \in_a \vee q_{(a,b)})$ - fuzzy subalgebras may play an important role as a useful non-trivial generalisation of Rosenfeld - type fuzzy subalgebras . But to arrive at a definite conclusion , it is necessary to study different aspects of  $(a,b ; \in_a , \in_a \vee q_{(a,b)})$ -fuzzy subsystems of different algebraic systems .

Various types of products of fuzzy subgroups ( in Rosenfeld's sense ) were studied by different authors . In particular , direct product was discussed by Sherwood [4] , internal direct product by Makamba [2] , and semidirect

product by Wetherilt [5] . The object of this paper is to study different type of products of  $(a,b ; \epsilon_a , \epsilon_a \vee q_{(a,b)})$ -fuzzy subgroups , henceforth called only fuzzy subgroups.

Internal direct product and semidirect product are discussed in Section 3 . Subdirect product and amalgamated product are two important types of product in classical group theory . Their fuzzy analogues are discussed in Sections 4 and 5 respectively . To introduce the notion of subdirect product fuzzy proper functions are used to define a new type of epimorphism of fuzzy subgroups . Some results concerning level subgroups are obtained . It is proved that if  $\lambda_i , \mu_i , \gamma_i , \delta_i$  are fuzzy subgroups of a finite group  $G$  such that  $\lambda_i$  is the direct product of  $\mu_i$  and  $\gamma_i$  with amalgamated fuzzy subgroup  $\delta_i$  for  $i = 1,2$  and if  $\mu_1$  be epimorphic to  $\mu_2$  ,  $\gamma_1$  be epimorphic to  $\gamma_2$  under epimorphisms satisfying certain conditions , then  $\lambda_1$  is epimorphic to  $\lambda_2$  .

## 2 . PRELIMINARIES:

Let  $X$  be any set and let  $I = [0,1]$ .  $I^X$  will denote the set of all functions  $\alpha: X \longrightarrow I$ . If  $x,y \in I$ ,  $M(x,y)$  will denote the minimum of  $x$  and  $y$ .

Let  $a,b \in I$  be such that  $0 < a < b \leq 1$  .

Let  $c = M(2b,1)$  ,  $d = M(2b,1+a)$  and  $k = d/2$  .

DEFINITION 2.1: Let  $\lambda \in I^X$ . If  $0 < r \leq 1$ ,  $0 \leq t < 1$  and  $0 < \alpha < \beta \leq 1$  , then  $\lambda_r$  ,  $\lambda_{st}$  and  $\lambda_{\alpha,\beta}$  are defined by

$$\lambda_r = \{ x \in G; \lambda(x) \geq r \}.$$

$$\lambda_{st} = \{ x \in G ; \lambda(x) > t \}.$$

$$\lambda_{\alpha,\beta} = \{ x \in G ; \alpha < \lambda(x) \leq \beta \}.$$

**DEFINITION 2.2:** Let  $X, Y$  be two sets and let  $\lambda \in I^X, \mu \in I^Y$ . A fuzzy subset  $F$  of  $X \times Y$  is called a proper function from  $\lambda$  to  $\mu$  if (i)  $F(x, y) \leq M(\lambda(x), \mu(y)) \forall x \in X, \forall y \in Y$ ,  
(ii) for each  $x \in X, \exists y_0 \in Y$  such that  $F(x, y_0) = \lambda(x)$  and  $F(x, y) = 0 \forall y \neq y_0$ .

A proper function  $F$  from  $\lambda$  to  $\mu$  is said to be  $(a, b)$ -surjective if for all  $y \in \mu_{sa}$ , there exists  $x \in \lambda_{sa}$  such that  $F(x, y) = \lambda(x)$  and  $\lambda(x) \geq \mu(y)$  if  $y \in \mu_{a,k}$  and  $\lambda(x) \geq k$  if  $\mu(y) > k$ .

**DEFINITION 2.3[1]:** Let  $\lambda \in I^X$ . A fuzzy point  $(x, t)$  is said to belong to  $\lambda$  with respect to  $a$ , denoted by  $(x, t) \in_a \lambda$  (resp., coincident with  $\lambda$  with respect to  $(a, b)$  denoted by  $(x, t) q_{(a,b)} \lambda$ ) if  $\lambda(x) \geq \max\{a, t\}$  (resp.,  $\lambda(x) + t > d$ ). If  $(x, t) \in_a \lambda$  or  $(x, t) q_{(a,b)} \lambda$  then we write  $(x, t) \in_a \vee q_{(a,b)} \lambda$ .

Let  $G$  be a group.

**DEFINITION 2.4[1]:** A fuzzy subset  $\lambda$  of  $G$  is said to be an  $(a, b, \in_a, \in_a \vee q_{(a,b)})$  fuzzy subgroup of  $G$  if

$$(i) (x, t) \in_a \lambda, (y, t_1) \in_a \lambda \Rightarrow (xy, M(t, t_1)) \in_a \vee q_{(a,b)} \lambda,$$

$$(ii) (x, t) \in_a \lambda \Rightarrow (x^{-1}, t) \in_a \vee q_{(a,b)} \lambda$$

for all  $x, y \in G$  and for all  $t, t_1 \in (a, c]$ .

The conditions (i) and (ii) of Definition 2.4 are equivalent to respectively

$$(I) \lambda(xy) \geq M(\lambda(x), \lambda(y), k) \forall x, y \in \lambda_{sa},$$

$$(II) \lambda(x^{-1}) \geq M(\lambda(x), k) \forall x \in \lambda_{sa}.$$

In what follows, unless otherwise mentioned, by a fuzzy

subgroup of  $G$ , we shall mean an  $(a, b, \in_a, \in_a \vee q_{(a,b)})$ -fuzzy subgroup of  $G$ .

**DEFINITION 2.5:** Let  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  be two fuzzy subgroups of  $G$ . A proper function  $F$  from  $\lambda$  to  $\mu$  is said to be a homomorphism from  $\lambda$  to  $\mu$  if for  $x, x_1 \in \lambda_{sa}$ ,  $y, y_1 \in \mu_{sa}$

$$F(x, y) = \lambda(x), F(x_1, y_1) = \lambda(x_1) \Rightarrow F(xx_1, yy_1) = \lambda(xx_1).$$

A homomorphism  $F$  from  $\lambda$  to  $\mu$  is called an epimorphism if it is  $(a, b)$ -surjective.

**LEMMA 2.6:** Let  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  be fuzzy subgroups of  $G$ . Let  $F$  be a homomorphism from  $\lambda$  to  $\mu$ . Then

(i)  $F(e, e) = \lambda(e)$ , where  $e$  is the identity element of  $G$ .

(ii) If for  $x \in \lambda_{sa}$ ,  $y \in \mu_{sa}$ ,  $F(x, y) = \lambda(x)$ , then  $F(x^{-1}, y^{-1}) = \lambda(x^{-1})$ .

**DEFINITION 2.7:** Let  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  be two fuzzy subsets of  $G$ . The product  $\lambda\mu : G \rightarrow I$  is defined by

$$\lambda\mu(x) = \sup \{ M(\lambda(y), \mu(z)) ; yz = x \} \forall x \in G.$$

**DEFINITION 2.8:** Let  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  be fuzzy subgroups of  $G$  such that  $\lambda \leq \mu$ . Then  $\lambda$  is called a fuzzy subgroup of  $\mu$ .

### 3. INTERNAL DIRECT PRODUCT AND SEMIDIRECT PRODUCT:

Let  $G$  be a group.

**DEFINITION 3.1:** A fuzzy subgroup  $\lambda$  of  $G$  is said to be a fuzzy normal subgroup of  $G$  if

$$(x, t) \in_a \lambda \Rightarrow (y^{-1}xy, t) \in_a \vee q_{(a,b)} \lambda \forall x, y \in G \text{ and } \forall t \in (a, c]$$

or equivalently

$$\lambda(y^{-1}xy) \geq M(\lambda(x), k) \forall y \in G \text{ and } \forall x \in \lambda_{sa}.$$

**THEOREM 3.2:** A fuzzy subset  $\lambda$  of  $G$  is a fuzzy normal

subgroup of  $G$  iff  $\lambda_t (\lambda_{st})$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$  for all  $t \in (a, k]$  ( $t \in [a, k)$ ).

**THEOREM 3.3:** Let  $\mu, \mu_1, \mu_2$  be fuzzy subgroups of  $G$  such that  $\mu = \mu_1 \mu_2$ . Then  $\mu_{sa} = (\mu_1)_{sa} (\mu_2)_{sa}$ .

**DEFINITION 3.4:** Let  $\mu, \mu_1, \mu_2$  be fuzzy subgroups of  $G$ .

Then  $\mu$  is said to be the fuzzy internal direct product of  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$  written as  $\mu = \mu_1 \times \mu_2$  if

(i)  $\mu_1, \mu_2$  are fuzzy normal.

(ii)  $\mu(x) \leq a \iff (\mu_1 \mu_2)(x) \leq a$

$\mu(x) = (\mu_1 \mu_2)(x) \forall x \in \mu_{a,k}$  and  $\mu(x) > k \iff (\mu_1 \mu_2)(x) > k$ .

(iii)  $(\mu_1 \cap \mu_2)_{sa} = \{e\}$ .

**THEOREM 3.5:** Let  $G$  be a finite group. A fuzzy subgroup  $\mu$  of  $G$  is a fuzzy internal direct product of two fuzzy subgroups  $\mu_1, \mu_2$  iff for all  $t \in (a, k]$ ,  $\mu_t$  is an internal direct product of  $(\mu_1)_t$  and  $(\mu_2)_t$ .

**DEFINITION 3.6:** Let  $G$  and  $H$  be two multiplicative groups and  $\alpha : G \longrightarrow \text{Aut}(H)$  be a homomorphism of groups mapping  $g \in G$  to  $\alpha_g \in \text{Aut}(H)$ . The set  $G \times H$  is given the structure of a group by defining  $\forall h, h_1 \in H$  and  $g, g_1 \in G$ ,

$$(g, h)(g_1, h_1) = (gg_1, \alpha_{g_1}(h)h_1).$$

This group is called a semidirect product of  $G$  and  $H$  and is denoted by  $G \times_{\alpha} H$ .

**THEOREM 3.7:** Let  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  be two fuzzy subgroups of the groups  $G$  and  $H$  respectively. Let  $\alpha : G \longrightarrow \text{Aut}(H)$  be a homomorphism such that  $\mu$  is  $\alpha(G)$ -invariant. Then the fuzzy subset  $\lambda \times_{\alpha} \mu$  of  $G \times_{\alpha} H$  given by

$$(\lambda \times_{\alpha} \mu)(g, h) = M(\lambda(g), \mu(h))$$

is a fuzzy subgroup of  $G \times_{\alpha} H$ , called the fuzzy semidirect product of  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$ .

#### 4. SUBDIRECT PRODUCT:

Let  $\lambda_i$  be a fuzzy subgroup of a group  $G_i \forall i \in I$ .  $\lambda = \prod \{\lambda_i ; i \in I\} : \prod \{G_i ; i \in I\} \longrightarrow I$  defined by  $\lambda[(x_i)] = \inf \{\lambda_i(x_i) ; i \in I\}$  for all  $(x_i) \in \prod \{G_i ; i \in I\}$  is a fuzzy subgroup of  $\prod \{G_i ; i \in I\}$ .

The proper function  $\pi_{\lambda_i}$  from  $\prod \{\lambda_i ; i \in I\}$  to  $\lambda_i$  defined by  $\pi_{\lambda_i}((x_i), x) = (\prod \{\lambda_i ; i \in I\})[(x_i)]$  or  $\emptyset$  according as  $x = x_i$  or  $x \neq x_i$  is called the projection mapping from  $\prod \{\lambda_i ; i \in I\}$  to  $\lambda_i$ .

Clearly  $\pi_{\lambda_i}$  is a homomorphism.

**DEFINITION 4.1:** Let  $f : \lambda \longrightarrow \mu$  be a proper function and let  $\lambda_0$  be a fuzzy subset of  $\lambda$ . The proper function  $f_0 : \lambda_0 \longrightarrow \mu$  defined by

$f_0(x, y) = \lambda_0(x)$  or  $\emptyset$  according as  $f(x, y) = \lambda(x)$  or  $\emptyset$ , is said to be the restriction of  $f$  to  $\lambda_0$  and it is denoted by  $f|_{\lambda_0}$ .

**DEFINITION 4.2:** A fuzzy subgroup  $\lambda_0$  of  $\prod \{\lambda_i ; i \in I\}$  is called a fuzzy subdirect product of  $\prod \{\lambda_i ; i \in I\}$  if  $\pi_{\lambda_i}|_{\lambda_0}$  is an epimorphism for all  $i \in I$ .

**THEOREM 4.3:** Let  $\lambda_i$  be a fuzzy subgroup of  $G_i$  for all  $i \in I$ . Let  $\lambda_0$  be a fuzzy subgroup of  $\prod \{\lambda_i ; i \in I\}$ .

(i) If  $\lambda_0$  be a fuzzy subdirect product of  $\prod \{\lambda_i ; i \in I\}$ , then  $(\lambda_0)_{st}$  is a subdirect product of  $\prod \{(\lambda_i)_{st} ; i \in I\}$  for all  $t \in [a, k)$ .

(ii) If  $(\lambda_0)_t$  is a subdirect product of  $\prod \{(\lambda_i)_t ; i \in I\}$  for all  $t \in (a, k]$ , then  $\lambda_0$  is a fuzzy subdirect product of  $\prod \{\lambda_i ; i \in I\}$ .

## 5. AMALGAMATED PRODUCT:

**DEFINITION 5.1:** Let  $G$  be a group and let  $\lambda, \mu, \gamma, \delta$  be fuzzy subgroups of  $G$ .  $\delta$  is said to be a direct product of  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  with amalgamated fuzzy subgroup  $\gamma$  denoted by  $\delta = \lambda \times_{\gamma} \mu$  if

(i)  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are fuzzy normal,

(ii)  $\emptyset \leq \delta(x) \leq a \iff \emptyset \leq (\lambda\mu)(x) \leq a$

$\delta(x) = (\lambda\mu)(x) \forall x \in (\delta)_{a,k}$  and  $\delta(x) > k \iff (\lambda\mu)(x) > k$ .

(iii)  $\emptyset \leq (\lambda\eta\mu)(x) \leq a \iff \emptyset \leq \gamma(x) \leq a$

$(\lambda\eta\mu)(x) = \gamma(x) \forall x \in \gamma_{a,k}$  and  $(\lambda\eta\mu)(x) > k \iff \gamma(x) > k$ .

(iv)  $x \in \lambda_{sa}, y \in \mu_{sa} \Rightarrow xy = yx$ .

**THEOREM 5.2:** Let  $G$  be a finite group. Let  $\delta, \mu, \lambda, \gamma$  be fuzzy subgroups of  $G$  such that  $\emptyset \leq \delta(x) \leq a \iff \emptyset \leq (\lambda\mu)(x) \leq a$  and  $\emptyset \leq (\lambda\eta\mu)(x) \leq a \iff \emptyset \leq \gamma(x) \leq a$ . Then  $\delta$  is a direct product of  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  with amalgamated fuzzy subgroup  $\gamma$  iff  $\delta_t$  is a direct product of  $\lambda_t$  and  $\mu_t$  with amalgamated subgroup  $\gamma_t$  for all  $t \in (a, k]$ .

**THEOREM 5.3 :** Let  $G$  be a finite group. let  $\lambda, \mu, \lambda_i, \mu_i$  and  $\gamma_i$  for  $i = 1, 2$  be fuzzy subgroups of  $G$ . Let  $\lambda$  be a direct product of  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  with amalgamated fuzzy subgroup  $\gamma_1$  and  $\mu$  be a direct product of  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$  with amalgamated fuzzy subgroup  $\gamma_2$ . Let there exist an epimorphism  $f$  from  $\lambda_1$  to  $\mu_1$  and  $g$  from  $\lambda_2$  to  $\mu_2$  satisfying the property (P) : if  $x \in (\gamma_1)_{sa} = (\lambda_1)_{sa} \cap (\lambda_2)_{sa}$  and  $f(x, y) = \lambda_1(x)$ , and  $g(x, y_1) = \lambda_2(x)$ , where  $y, y_1 \in G$ , then  $y = y_1$ .

Then there exists an epimorphism from  $\lambda$  to  $\mu$ .

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