# The necessary and sufficient condition that a fuzzy set is a pointwise fuzzy group

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Abstract: 1971 Rosenfeld gave the concept of fuzzy group in [1] and 1981 Qi Zhen-Kai Gave the definition of pointwise fuzzy group in [2]. In this paper we gave a necessary and sufficient condition that a fuzzy set is a pointwise fuzzy group.

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#### 1. Preliminaries

Let X be a nonempty set. A fuzzy set A is a map A:  $X \rightarrow [0,1]$ , and F(X) will denote the fuzzy power set of X.. We first recall some basic definitions and results that will be needed in the sequel.

**Definition 1.1** [1] Let G be a group and  $A \in F(G)$ . If

- (i)  $A(xy) \ge \min(A(x), A(y)), x, y \in G$ ;
- (ii)  $A(x^{-1}) \geqslant A(x), x \in G$ ,

then A is called a fuzzy group on G.

**Definition 1.2** Let X be a nonempty set,  $x \in X$ ,  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ ,  $x_{\lambda} \in F(X)$  and  $y \in X$ , define

$$x_{\lambda}(y) = \begin{cases} \lambda, y = x \\ 0, y \neq x \end{cases}$$

 $x_{\lambda}$  is called a fuzzy point on X.

Clearly, if  $\lambda \neq 0$ ,  $x_{\lambda} = y_{\mu}$  iff x = y,  $\lambda = \mu$ ;  $x_{\lambda} \subseteq y_{\mu}$  iff x = y,  $\lambda \leq \mu$ .

we define  $a_{\lambda} \in A \Leftrightarrow a_{\lambda} \subseteq A$ 

**Proposition 1.3**  $a_{\lambda} \in A \Leftrightarrow A(a) \ge \lambda$ 

Proof. If  $a_{\lambda} \in A$ , then  $\lambda = a_{\lambda}(a) \leq A(a)$ . If  $A(a) \geq \lambda$ , then  $a_{\lambda} \subseteq A$  hence  $a_{\lambda} \in A$ .

Definition1. 4 Let X be a nonempty set and  $A \in F(X)$ . If there exists a rule, for any  $a_{\lambda}$ ,  $b_{\mu} \in A$ , there is only one  $c_{\nu} \in A$  corresponding to them,  $v = \min\{\lambda, \mu\}$ , and for any  $a_s$ ,  $b_t \in A$ , the element corresponding to them must be  $c_r \in A$ ,  $r = \min\{s,t\}$ . We call this rule the multiplication of A,  $c_{\nu}$  the product of  $a_{\lambda}$  and  $b_{\mu}$ , which is written as  $c_{\nu} = a_{\lambda} b_{\mu}$ . We also call A forms a pointwise fuzzy groupoid with regard to this multiplication .

Definition 1.5 Let A be a pointwise fuzzy groupoid on X. Then A is called a pointwise fuzzy semigroup if, for any  $a_{\lambda}$ , b  $\mu$ ,  $c_{\nu} \in A$ ,

$$(a_{\lambda}b_{\mu})c_{\nu}=a_{\lambda}(b_{\mu}c_{\nu}).$$

Definition1.6 Let A be a pointwise fuzzy groupoid on X. If there exists  $e_{\lambda} \in A$  satisfying

 $e_{\lambda}a_{\mu}=a_{\mu}$  for any  $a_{\mu}\in A$ .

Then  $e_{\lambda}$  is called a left identify of A. Similarly we can define the right identify of A. If  $e_{\lambda}$  is both a left and a right identify of A, then  $e_{\lambda}$  is called the identify of A.

Proposition 1.7 If the pointwise fuzzy groupoid A on X has a left identify  $e_{\lambda}$  and a right identify  $f_{\mu}$ , then  $e_{\lambda}=f_{\mu}$ .

Proof. Since  $e_{\lambda}$  is a left identify, hence  $e_{\lambda}f_{\mu}=f_{\mu}.$ 

Since  $f_{\mu}$  is a right identify, hence  $e_{\lambda}f_{\mu}=e_{\lambda}$ .

Therefore,  $e_{\lambda} = f_{\mu}$ .

Corollary. The identify of pointwise fuzzy groupoint A on X is unique if it exist.

Proposition 1.8 If  $e_{\lambda}$  is the left identify of pointwise fuzzy groupoid A on X, then  $A(x) \leq \lambda$  holds for all  $x \in X$ . Proof. For all  $x \in X$ , since  $e_{\lambda}$  is a left identify, hence  $e_{\lambda} X_{A(x)} = X_{A(x)}$ .

Therefore ,  $A(x)=\min\{A(x), \lambda\}$  by Definition1.3 and  $\min\{A(x), \lambda\} \le \lambda$ . So that  $A(x) \le \lambda$ .

Proposition 1.9 If  $e_{\lambda}$  is a left identify of pointwise fuzzy groupoid A on X, then  $\lambda = A(e)$ .

Proof. Since  $e_{\lambda} \in A$ , hence  $A(e) \ge \lambda$  by Proposition1.3. Since  $e_{\lambda}$  is a left identify and  $e \in X$  hence  $A(e) \le \lambda$  by

Proposition 1.8. Therefore,  $A(e) = \lambda$ .

Definition 1.10 Let A be a pointwise fuzzy groupoid on X and suppose A has the left identify  $e_{\lambda}$ . If for  $a_{\mu} \in A$ , there exists  $b_{s} \in A$  satisfying  $b_{s}a_{\mu}=e_{\mu}$ , then  $b_{s}$  is called a left inverse of  $a_{\mu}$ . Similarly we can define the right inverse of  $a_{\mu}$ .

Definition 1.11 Let A be a pointwise fuzzy semigroup on X. If

- (1) there exists a left identify  $e_{\lambda} \in A$ , and if
- (2) for any  $a_{\nu} \in A$ , there is at least a left inverse in A. Then A is called a pointwise fuzzy group on X.

**Example 1.12** Let X be a group and suppose A is a fuzzy group on X (see Definition1.1), then A is a poindwise fuzzy group on X.

Proof. For any  $x_{\lambda}$ ,  $y_{\mu} \in A$ , let

$$x_{\lambda}y_{\mu} = (xy)_{\nu}, \quad v = min\{\lambda, \mu\}$$

(1-1)

Then A forms a pointwise fuzzy groupoid with respect to the rule (1-1). Since X is a group, hence we have, for any x,  $y_{\mu}$ ,  $z_{\nu} \in A$ 

$$(\chi_{\lambda} y_{\mu})_{Z_{v}} = (\chi y)_{\min\{\lambda, \mu\}} Z_{v} = ((\chi y)_{\min\{\min\{\lambda, \mu\}, v\}} = (\chi(y_{Z}))_{\min\{\mu, \mu\}} = \chi_{\lambda} (y_{Z})_{\min\{\mu, v\}} = \chi_{\lambda} (y_{\mu} Z_{v})$$

so A is a pointwise fuzzy simegroup on X.

Since A is a fuzzy group on X, hence when e is the unit of X, for all  $x \in X$ 

$$A(e) = A(xx^{-1}) \ge \min\{A(x), A(x^{-1})\} = A(x).$$

Therefore, we also have, for all  $x_{\mu} \in A$ 

$$e_{A(e)}X_{\mu} = (e_X)_{\min\{A(e), \mu\}} = X_{\mu},$$

so  $e_{A(e)}$  is the left identify of A .

If  $x_{\mu} \in A$ , in case of  $A(x^{-1}) \geqslant A(x) \geqslant \mu$ , then  $(x^{-1})_{\mu} \in A$ , and  $(x^{-1})_{\mu} x_{\mu} = (x^{-1}x)_{\min(\mu, \mu)} = e_{\mu},$ 

Hence  $x_{\mu}$  has a left inverse  $(x^{-1})_{\mu} \in A$  and A is a pointwise fuzzy group on X.

## 2. The necessary and sufficient condition that a fuzzy set is a pointwise fuzzy group

**Theorem 2.1** Let X be a nonempty set and  $A \in F(X)$ . Then A is a pointwise fuzzy group iff A is a pointwise fuzzy groupoid and in agreement with the following conditions:

- (1)  $(a_{\lambda}b_{\mu})c_{\nu} = a_{\lambda}(b_{\mu}c_{\nu})$  for any  $a_{\lambda}$ ,  $b_{\mu}$ ,  $c_{\nu} \in A$ .
- (2) There exists a left identify  $e_{\lambda} \in A$  such that  $e_{\lambda} x_{\mu} = x_{\mu}$  for any  $x_{\mu} \in A$ .
- (3) For any  $x_{\mu} \in A$ , there exists at least a left inverse  $y_{\nu} \in A$  such that

$$y_{\nu}x_{\mu} = e_{\mu}$$
.

Proof. If A is a pointwise fuzzy group, then A is a pointwise fuzzy semigroup by Definition1. 11 and so A is a pointwise fuzzy groupoid and satisfying conditions (1), (2) and (3). If A is a pointwise fuzzy groupoid and in agreement with conditions (1), (2) and (3), then A is a pointwise fuzzy semigroup by Definition1. 5 and A is a pointwise fuzzy group by Definition1. 11.

According to Theorem2.1 we can give a new definition of pointwise fuzzy group equivalent to Definition1.11. Definition2.2 Let X be a nonempty set and  $A \in F(X)$ . If there exists a rule, for any  $a_{\lambda}$ ,  $b_{\mu} \in A$ , there is only one  $c_v \in A$  corresponding to them,  $v = \min\{\lambda, \mu\}$ , and for any  $a_s$ ,  $b_t \in A$ , the element corresponding to them must be  $c_r \in A$ ,  $r = \min\{s, t\}$ . We call this rule the multiplication of A,  $c_v$  the product of  $a_\lambda$  and  $b_\mu$ , which is written as  $c_v = a_\lambda b_\mu$ . And the multiplication and in agreement with the following conditions:

- (1)  $(a_{\lambda}b_{\mu})c_{\nu} = a_{\lambda}(b_{\mu}c_{\nu})$  for any  $a_{\lambda}$ ,  $b_{\mu}$ ,  $c_{\nu} \in A$ .
- (2) There exists a left identify  $e_{\lambda} \in A$  such that  $e_{\lambda} x_{\mu} = x_{\mu}$  for any  $x_{\mu} \in A$ .
- (3) For any  $x_{\mu} \in A$ , there exists at least a left inverse y  $_{\nu} \in A$  such that

$$y_{\nu}x_{\mu} = e_{\mu}$$
.

Then A is called a pointwise fuzzy group on X.

If X is a group and A is a fuzzy group on X. Let, for any  $a_{\lambda}$ ,  $b_{\mu} \in A$ 

$$a_{\lambda}b_{\mu} = (ab)_{\min\{\lambda, \mu\}}$$

Then A is a pointwise fuzzy group on X by Example 1.12.

Theorem2. 3 Let X be a nonempty set and A a pointwise fuzzy semigroup on X. Then A is a pointwise fuzzy group on X iff for any  $a_{\lambda}$ ,  $b_{\mu} \in A$ ,  $v = \min\{\lambda, \mu\}$ ,

$$a_v x_v = b_v$$
 and  $y_v a_v = b_v$ 

has a solution in A.

Proof. First we prove the sufficient. For any  $a_{\lambda} \in A$ , since  $y_{\lambda} a_{\lambda} = a_{\lambda}$ 

has a solution in A, hence there is a  $e_{\lambda}\!\in\!A$  satisfying  $e_{\lambda}a_{\lambda}\,=\,a_{\lambda}$ 

For another any  $b_{\mu} \in A$ , let  $v = \min\{\lambda, \mu\}$ . Since  $a_{\nu}x_{\nu} = b_{\nu}$ 

has a solution in A , so there exists a  $c_v \in A$  satisfying  $a_v c_v = b_v$ .

Hence

$$e_v b_v = e_v (a_v c_v) = (e_v a_v) c_v$$
  
=  $a_v c_v = b_v$ 

Assume  $A(e) = \xi$ . It is easy to get

$$e_{\xi}a_{\lambda} = a_{\lambda}$$
 for all  $a_{\lambda} \in A$ .

Hence  $e_{\xi} \in A$  is a left identify .

Second, for each  $a_{\lambda} \in A$ , then  $e_{\lambda} \in A$ , and according to the hypothesis

$$y_{\lambda}a_{\lambda} = e_{\lambda}$$

has a solution  $b_{\lambda} \in A$  such that  $b_{\lambda}a_{\lambda} = e_{\lambda}$ 

so  $a_{\lambda}$  has a left inverse  $b_{\lambda} \in A$ . Therefore, A is a pointwise fuzzy group on X.

Now we come to prove the necessary. Since A is a pointwise fuzzy group on X, hence for any  $a_{\lambda}$ ,  $b_{\mu} \in A$ , here exist  $c_{\xi} \in A$  such that  $c_{\xi} a_{\lambda} = e_{\lambda}$ ,  $e_{A(e)}$  is the identify of A. Let  $b_{\mu} c_{\xi} = d_{\xi}$ . Then  $\zeta = \min\{\mu, \xi\} \leqslant \mu$ ,  $\lambda = \min\{\xi, \lambda\} \leqslant \xi$ . If  $v = \min\{\lambda, \mu\}$ , then

$$d_{v}a_{v} = (b_{v}c_{v})a_{v} = b_{v}(c_{v}a_{v}) = b_{v}e_{v} = b_{v}.$$

Therefore,  $y \cdot a \cdot = b \cdot$  has a solution  $d \cdot \in A$ . Similarly can prove  $a \cdot x \cdot = b \cdot$  has a solution in A.

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