

**SOME CHARACTERIZATIONS OF FUZZY SUBGROUPS:
VIA FUZZY p^* -SUBSETS AND FUZZY p^* -SUBGROUPS**

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Abstract: The notion of A_{p^*} of a fuzzy subgroup A is introduced. Using the notion, we characterize fuzzy subgroups and show that every commutative fuzzy subgroup characterized as the intersection of its all minimal fuzzy p^* -subgroups.

1. Introduction. To grasp efficiently structures of fuzzy subgroups, the problem characterizing a fuzzy subgroup as the intersection of its all minimal fuzzy p -subgroups or the intersection of its all minimal fuzzy p^* -subgroups whose structures are quite more simple than the structure of the fuzzy subgroup has been studied [1,2,3,4]. In [1], fuzzy subgroups are characterized using the notion of A_p of a fuzzy subgroup A and conditions for a fuzzy subgroup to be written as the intersection of its all minimal fuzzy p -subgroups are given. However, the notion of A_p can be applied only to fuzzy subgroups in which all elements have finite fuzzy orders. In this paper, we introduce the notion of A_{p^*} of a fuzzy subgroup A that is free from the limit and an extension of the notion of A_p , characterize all fuzzy subgroups using the notion, and show that every commutative fuzzy subgroup characterized as the intersection of its all minimal fuzzy p^* -subgroups.

2. A_{p^*} of a fuzzy subgroup A . Let A be a fuzzy subgroup of a group G . If there exists a minimal fuzzy p -subgroup of G containing A , then it is unique [3] and we shall denote it by $A_{(p)}$. And there exists a unique minimal fuzzy

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p^* -subgroup of G containing A [4] and we shall denote it by $A_{(p)^*}$. Note that a fuzzy p -subgroup always is a fuzzy p^* -subgroup.

To study which fuzzy subgroup can be written as the intersection of its all minimal fuzzy p -subgroups, the notion of A_p was introduced where A is a fuzzy subgroup of a group G such that $FO_A(x)$ is finite for all $x \in G$ in [1] as follows: For a given prime p , define a fuzzy subset A_p of G by $A_p(x) = A(x_{A_p})$ where $FO_A(x) = mp^t$, $(m, p) = 1$, $x = x'_{A_p} x_{A_p} = x_{A_p} x'_{A_p}$, $FO_A(x'_{A_p}) = m$, and $FO_A(x_{A_p}) = p^t$.

The notion of A_p can be applied only to fuzzy subgroups of groups whose every element has a finite fuzzy order. To overcome such limit, we now introduce the notion of A_{p^*} . While A_p corresponds to $A_{(p)}$, A_{p^*} corresponds to $A_{(p)^*}$. And the notion of A_{p^*} is a generalization of the notion of A_p (see Theorem 2.8).

DEFINITION 2.1. Let A be a fuzzy subgroup of a group G . For a given prime p , define a fuzzy subset A_{p^*} of G by $A_{p^*}(x) = \sup\{A(x^n) | n \in \mathbb{N}, (n, p) = 1\}$.

By Definition 2.1, it is clear that $A_{p^*} \supseteq A$. However $A_{p^*} \neq A$ and A_{p^*} is not a fuzzy subgroup in general.

PROPOSITION 2.2. Let A be a fuzzy subgroup of a group G . For every $x \in G$, $\min\{n \in \mathbb{N} | A_{p^*}(x) < A_{p^*}(x^n)\}$ is a power of p , whenever this minimum exists.

Motivating this proposition, we introduce the notion of a fuzzy p^* -subset as follows:

DEFINITION 2.3. Let A be a fuzzy subset of a group G . For a given prime p , A is said to be a fuzzy p^* -subset of G if, for every $x \in G$, $\min\{n \in \mathbb{N} | A(x) < A(x^n)\}$ is a power of p , whenever this minimum exists.

DEFINITION 2.4. Let A be a fuzzy subset of a group G . For a given prime p , A is said to be a fuzzy p -subset of G if $FO_A(x)$ is a power of p for all $x \in G$.

PROPOSITION 2.5. Let f be a group homomorphism from G onto H . Then the following hold:

(1) If A is a fuzzy p^* -subset [resp. p -subset] of G , then $f(A)$ is a fuzzy p^* -subset [resp. p -subset] of H , provided A is f -invariant, i.e., if $f(x) = f(y)$ implies $A(x) = A(y)$.

(2) If B is a fuzzy p^* -subset [resp. p -subset] of H , then $f^{-1}(B)$ is a fuzzy p^* -subset [resp. p -subset] of G .

COROLLARY 2.6. Let f be a group homomorphism from G onto H . Then the following hold:

(1) If A is a fuzzy p^* -subgroup [resp. p -subgroup] of G , then $f(A)$ is a fuzzy p^* -subgroup [resp. p -subgroup] of H , provided A is f -invariant.

(2) If B is a fuzzy p^* -subgroup [resp. p -subgroup] of H , then $f^{-1}(B)$ is a fuzzy p^* -subgroup [resp. p -subgroup] of G .

PROPOSITION 2.7. Let f be a group homomorphism from G onto H . And let A and B be fuzzy subgroups of G and H , respectively. Then the following hold:

(1) $(f(A))_{p^*} \supseteq f(A_{p^*})$ for every prime p .

(2) If either A is f -invariant or G is a divisible group, then $(f(A))_{p^*} = f(A_{p^*})$ for every prime p .

(3) $(f^{-1}(B))_{p^*} = f^{-1}(B_{p^*})$ for every prime p .

THEOREM 2.8. Let A be a fuzzy subgroup of a group G such that $FO_A(x)$ is finite for all $x \in G$. Then $A_{p^*} = A_p$ for every prime p .

Thus the notion of A_{p^*} is a generalization of the notion of A_p . Now we show that every fuzzy subgroup A can be written as the intersection of all A_{p^*} .

THEOREM 2.9. Let A be a fuzzy subgroup of a group G . Then $A = \bigcap \{A_{p^*} \mid p \text{ is a prime}\}$ (briefly, $A = \bigcap A_{p^*}$).

3. Fuzzy subgroups and minimal fuzzy p^* -subgroups. In this section, we characterize a fuzzy subgroup as the intersection of its all minimal fuzzy p^* -subgroups.

PROPOSITION 3.1. Let A be a fuzzy subgroup of a group G . Then A_{p^*} is a fuzzy subgroup of G if and only if $A_{p^*} = A_{(p)^*}$.

THEOREM 3.2. Let A be a fuzzy subgroup of a group G . If A_{p^*} is a fuzzy subgroup of G for every prime p , then $A = \bigcap A_{(p)^*}$.

THEOREM 3.3. *Let A be a commutative fuzzy subgroup of a group G . Then A_{p^\bullet} is a fuzzy subgroup of G for every prime p .*

COROLLARY 3.4. *Let A be a commutative fuzzy subgroup of a group G . Then $A = \bigcap A_{(p)^\bullet}$.*

PROPOSITION 3.5. *Let f be a group homomorphism from G onto H . And let A and B be fuzzy subgroups of G and H , respectively. Then the following hold:*

- (1) *If $A_{(p)^\bullet}$ is f -invariant, then $(f(A))_{(p)^\bullet} = f(A_{(p)^\bullet})$.*
- (2) *$(f^{-1}(B))_{(p)^\bullet} = f^{-1}(B_{(p)^\bullet})$ for every prime p .*

THEOREM 3.6. *Let f be a group homomorphism from G onto H . And let A and B be fuzzy subgroups of G and H , respectively. Then the following hold:*

- (1) *If $A = \bigcap A_{(p)^\bullet}$, then $f(A) = \bigcap f(A_{(p)^\bullet}) = \bigcap (f(A))_{(p)^\bullet}$, provided every $A_{(p)^\bullet}$ is f -invariant.*
- (2) *If $B = \bigcap B_{(p)^\bullet}$, then $f^{-1}(B) = \bigcap f^{-1}(B_{(p)^\bullet}) = \bigcap (f^{-1}(B))_{(p)^\bullet}$.*

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