

## FUZZY TRANSITIVE FILTERS OF $BE$ -ALGEBRAS

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ABSTRACT. The concept of fuzzy transitive filters is introduced in  $BE$ -algebras. Some sufficient conditions are established for every fuzzy filter of a  $BE$ -algebra to become a fuzzy transitive filter. Some properties of fuzzy transitive filters are studied with respect to fuzzy relations and cartesian products.

### 1. Introduction

The notion of  $BE$ -algebras was introduced and extensively studied by H. S. Kim and Y. H. Kim in [4]. Some properties of filters of  $BE$ -algebras were studied by S. S. Ahn and K. S. So in [1] and then by H. S. Kim and Y. H. Kim in [4]. The concepts of a fuzzy set and a fuzzy relation on a set was initially defined by L. A. Zadeh [8]. Fuzzy relations on a group have been studied by Bhattacharya and Mukherjee [2]. In 1996, Y. B. Jun and S. M. Hong [3] discussed the fuzzy deductive systems of Hilbert algebras. In [5], the author introduced the notion of fuzzy filters in  $BE$ -algebras and discussed some related properties. Recently, the concept of fuzzy implicative filters [6] is introduced and studied the properties of these filters in  $BE$ -algebras. In [7], properties of fuzzy filters and also normal fuzzy filters are studied in  $BE$ -algebras.

In this paper, the notion of fuzzy transitive filters is introduced in  $BE$ -algebras. Some sufficient condition are derived for every fuzzy filter of a  $BE$ -algebra to become a fuzzy transitive filter. An extension property is derived for fuzzy transitive filters of  $BE$ -algebras. Some properties of fuzzy transitive filters are studied. Properties of fuzzy transitive filters are studied in terms of fuzzy relations and cartesian

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products. The notion of triangular normed fuzzy transitive filters are introduced and some of the properties of these filters are studied.

## 2. Preliminaries

In this section, we present certain definitions and results which are taken mostly from [4], [5], [6] and [8] for ready reference of the reader.

DEFINITION 2.1. [4] An algebra  $(X, *, 1)$  of type  $(2, 0)$  is called a *BE*-algebra if it satisfies the following properties:

- 1)  $x * x = 1$ ,
- 2)  $x * 1 = 1$ ,
- 3)  $1 * x = x$ , and
- 4)  $x * (y * z) = y * (x * z)$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

THEOREM 2.2. [4] Let  $(X, *, 1)$  be a *BE*-algebra. Then we have

- 1)  $x * (y * x) = 1$  and
- 2)  $x * ((x * y) * y) = 1$ .

We introduce a relation  $\leq$  on a *BE*-algebra  $X$  by  $x \leq y$  implies  $x * y = 1$ . A *BE*-algebra  $X$  is called self-distributive if  $x * (y * z) = (x * y) * (x * z)$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$ . A *BE*-algebra  $X$  is called commutative if  $(x * y) * y = (y * x) * x$  for all  $x, y \in X$ .

DEFINITION 2.3. [8] For any set  $X$ , a fuzzy set in  $X$  is a function  $\mu : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ .

DEFINITION 2.4. [5] Let  $X$  be a *BE*-algebra. A fuzzy set  $\mu$  of  $X$  is called a fuzzy filter if it satisfies the following properties, for all  $x, y \in X$ :

- ( $F_1$ )  $\mu(1) \geq \mu(x)$  and
- ( $F_2$ )  $\mu(y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(x * y)\}$ .

DEFINITION 2.5. [5] Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy set in a *BE*-algebra  $X$ . For any  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ , the set  $\mu_\alpha = \{x \in X \mid \mu(x) \geq \alpha\}$  is called a level subset of  $X$ .

DEFINITION 2.6. [6] A fuzzy relation on a set  $S$  is a fuzzy set  $\mu : S \times S \rightarrow [0, 1]$ .

DEFINITION 2.7. [6] Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy relation on a set  $S$  and  $\nu$  a fuzzy set in  $S$ . Then  $\mu$  is a fuzzy relation on  $\nu$  if  $\mu(x, y) \leq \min\{\nu(x), \nu(y)\}$  for all  $x, y \in S$ .

DEFINITION 2.8. [6] Let  $\mu, \nu$  be two fuzzy sets in a *BE*-algebra  $X$ . The cartesian product of  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  is defined for all  $x, y \in X$  as follows:

$$(\mu \times \nu)(x, y) = \min\{\mu(x), \nu(y)\}.$$

### 3. Fuzzy transitive filters

In this section, the notion of fuzzy transitive filters is introduced in  $BE$ -algebras. Some properties of these fuzzy transitive filters are studied. Some sufficient conditions are derived for any fuzzy filter of a  $BE$ -algebra to become a fuzzy transitive filter.

DEFINITION 3.1. A fuzzy set  $\mu$  of a  $BE$ -algebra  $X$  is called a fuzzy transitive filter of  $X$  if it satisfies the following properties:

- (1)  $\mu(1) \geq \mu(x)$ ,
- (2)  $\mu(x * z) \geq \min\{\mu(x * y), \mu(y * z)\}$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

EXAMPLE 3.2. Let  $X = \{1, a, b, c\}$  be a non-empty set. Define a binary operation  $*$  on  $X$  as follows:

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

Then  $(X, *, 1)$  is a  $BE$ -algebra. Define a fuzzy set  $\mu : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  as

$$\mu(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then it can be easily verified that  $\mu$  is a fuzzy transitive filter of  $X$ .

PROPOSITION 3.3. Every fuzzy transitive filter of a  $BE$ -algebra is a fuzzy filter.

*Proof.* Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy transitive filter of a  $BE$ -algebra  $X$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(y) &= \mu(1 * y) \\ &\geq \min\{\mu(1 * x), \mu(x * y)\} \\ &= \min\{\mu(x), \mu(x * y)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\mu$  is a fuzzy filter of  $X$ . □

The converse of the above proposition is not true. That is a fuzzy filter of a  $BE$ -algebra is not a fuzzy transitive filter as shown in the following:

EXAMPLE 3.4. Let  $X = \{1, a, b, c, d\}$  be a non-empty set. Define a binary operation  $*$  on  $X$  as follows:

$*$	1	$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$
1	1	$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$
$a$	1	1	$b$	$c$	$d$
$b$	1	$a$	1	$b$	$a$
$c$	1	$a$	1	1	$a$
$d$	1	1	1	1	1

Then it can be easily verified that  $(X, *, 1)$  is a BE-algebra. Define a fuzzy set  $\mu$  on  $X$  as follows:

$$\mu(x) = \begin{cases} 0.8, & \text{if } x = 1 \\ 0.3, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Then clearly  $\mu$  is a fuzzy filter of  $X$ , but  $\mu$  is not a fuzzy transitive filter of  $X$  since  $\mu(b * c) < \min\{\mu(b * d), \mu(d * c)\}$ .

We now derive some sufficient conditions for every fuzzy filter of a BE-algebra to become a fuzzy transitive filter.

THEOREM 3.5. Every fuzzy filter  $\mu$  of a BE-algebra  $X$  is a fuzzy transitive filter if it satisfies the following condition for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

$$(T_5) \quad \mu(z) \geq \min\{\mu(x * y), \mu(x * (y * z))\}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy filter of  $X$  such that the condition  $(T_5)$  holds for all  $x, y, z \in X$ . By interchanging  $y$  and  $z$  in condition  $(T_5)$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(y) &\geq \min\{\mu(x * (z * y)), \mu(x * z)\} \\ &\geq \min\{\mu(z * (x * y)), \mu(x * z)\} \\ &\geq \min\{\mu(x * y), \mu(x * z)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\mu$  is a fuzzy filter, we get the following consequence:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(x * z) &\geq \min\{\mu(y), \mu(y * (x * z))\} \\ &= \min\{\mu(y), \mu(x * (y * z))\} \\ &\geq \min\{\min\{\mu(x * y), \mu(x * z)\}, \mu(y * z)\} \\ &= \min\{\mu(x * y), \mu(y * z)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\mu$  is a fuzzy transitive filter of  $X$ . □

THEOREM 3.6. Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy filter of a BE-algebra  $X$  which satisfies the following condition, for all  $x, y, z \in X$ :

$$\mu(z) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(x * y), \mu(y * z)\}.$$

Then  $\mu$  is a fuzzy transitive filter of  $X$ .

*Proof.* Assume that the condition holds in  $X$ . Clearly  $\mu(1) \geq \mu(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ . Let  $x, y, z \in X$ . Clearly  $\mu(y * z) \leq \mu((x * y) * (y * z))$ . Since  $\mu$  is a fuzzy filter, by the assumed condition, we get the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(x * z) &\geq \min\{\mu(x * y), \mu((x * y) * (x * z))\} \\ &\geq \min\{\mu(x * y), \min\{\mu(x * y), \mu((x * y) * (y * z))\}\} \\ &= \min\{\mu(x * y), \mu((x * y) * (y * z))\} \\ &\geq \min\{\mu(x * y), \mu(y * z)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\mu$  is a fuzzy transitive filter in  $X$ . □

As a converse of the above theorem, it can be easily observed that a fuzzy transitive filter of a  $BE$ -algebra can not satisfy the condition of the Theorem 2.5. We now derive a sufficient condition for a transitive filter of a  $BE$ -algebra to satisfies the condition of the Theorem 2.5.

**THEOREM 3.7.** *A fuzzy transitive filter  $\mu$  of a commutative  $BE$ -algebra  $X$  satisfies the following condition for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .*

$$\mu((x * y) * (x * z)) \geq \min\{\mu(x * y), \mu((x * y) * (y * z))\}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy transitive filter of  $X$ . Hence  $\mu$  is a fuzzy filter of  $X$ . Let  $x, y, z \in X$ . Consider  $(x * y) * ((x * y) * (x * z)) = t$  for brevity. Then we get

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(t) &\geq \min\{\mu((x * y) * (y * z)), \mu((y * z) * ((x * y) * (x * z)))\} \\ &= \min\{\mu((x * y) * (y * z)), \mu((x * y) * ((y * z) * (x * z)))\} \\ &= \min\{\mu((x * y) * (y * z)), \mu((x * y) * (x * ((y * z) * z)))\} \\ &= \min\{\mu((x * y) * (y * z)), \mu((x * y) * (x * ((z * y) * y)))\} \\ &= \min\{\mu((x * y) * (y * z)), \mu((x * y) * ((z * y) * (x * y)))\} \\ &= \min\{\mu((x * y) * (y * z)), \mu((z * y) * ((x * y) * (x * y)))\} \\ &= \min\{\mu((x * y) * (y * z)), \mu((z * y) * 1)\} \\ &= \min\{\mu((x * y) * (y * z)), \mu(1)\} \\ &= \mu((x * y) * (y * z)). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\mu$  is a fuzzy filter and from the above observation, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \mu((x * y) * (x * z)) &\geq \min\{\mu(x * y), \mu((x * y) * ((x * y) * (x * z)))\} \\ &\geq \min\{\mu(x * y), \mu((x * y) * (y * z))\}. \end{aligned}$$

This is the complete of the proof. □

In the following theorem, an extension property for fuzzy transitive filters of  $BE$ -algebras is obtained.

**THEOREM 3.8.** (*Extension property for fuzzy transitive filters*). Let  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  be two fuzzy filters of a commutative  $BE$ -algebra  $X$  such that  $\mu(1) = \nu(1)$  and  $\mu \subseteq \nu$  (i.e.  $\mu(x) \leq \nu(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ ). If  $\mu$  is a fuzzy transitive filter, then so is  $\nu$ .

*Proof.* Assume that  $\mu$  is a fuzzy transitive filter of  $X$ . Let  $x, y, z \in X$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \nu((y * z) * ((x * y) * (x * z))) &\geq \mu((y * z) * ((x * y) * (x * z))) \\
 &= \mu((x * y) * ((y * z) * (x * z))) \\
 &= \mu((x * y) * (x * ((y * z) * z))) \\
 &= \mu((x * y) * (x * ((z * y) * y))) \\
 &= \mu((x * y) * ((z * y) * (x * y))) \\
 &= \mu((z * y) * ((x * y) * (x * y))) \\
 &= \mu((z * y) * 1) \\
 &= \mu(1) \\
 &= \nu(1).
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\nu((y * z) * ((x * y) * (x * z))) = \nu(1)$ . Since  $\nu$  is a fuzzy filter, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \nu((x * y) * (x * z)) &\geq \min\{\nu(y * z), \nu((y * z) * ((x * y) * (x * z)))\} \\
 &= \min\{\nu(y * z), \nu(1)\} \\
 &= \nu(y * z) \\
 &\geq \min\{\nu(x * y), \nu((x * y) * (y * z))\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence by the above theorem,  $\nu$  is a fuzzy transitive filter of  $X$ .  $\square$

#### 4. Cartesian products

In this section, the homomorphic images of fuzzy transitive filters are studied in  $BE$ -algebras. Some properties of fuzzy transitive filters of  $BE$ -algebras are also studied with respect to cartesian products and fuzzy relations.

**DEFINITION 4.1.** Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a homomorphism of  $BE$ -algebras and  $\mu$  is a fuzzy set in  $Y$ . Then define a mapping  $\mu^f : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that  $\mu^f(x) = \mu(f(x))$  for all  $x \in X$ .

Clearly the above mapping  $\mu^f$  is well-defined and a fuzzy set in  $X$ .

**THEOREM 4.2.** *Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an onto homomorphism of  $BE$ -algebras and  $\mu$  is a fuzzy set in  $Y$ . Then  $\mu$  is a fuzzy transitive filter in  $Y$  if and only if  $\mu^f$  is a fuzzy transitive filter in  $X$ .*

*Proof.* Assume that  $\mu$  is a fuzzy transitive of  $Y$ . For any  $x \in X$ , we have  $\mu^f(1) = \mu(f(1)) = \mu(1') \geq \mu(f(x)) = \mu^f(x)$ . Let  $x, y, z \in X$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mu^f(x * z) &= \mu(f(x * z)) \\ &= \mu(f(x) * f(z)) \\ &\geq \min\{\mu(f(x) * f(y)), \mu(f(y) * f(z))\} \\ &= \min\{\mu(f(x * y)), \mu(f(y * z))\} \\ &= \min\{\mu^f(x * y), \mu^f(y * z)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\mu^f$  is a fuzzy transitive filter of  $X$ . Conversely, assume that  $\mu^f$  is a fuzzy transitive filter of  $X$ . Let  $x \in Y$ . Since  $f$  is onto, there exists  $y \in X$  such that  $f(y) = x$ . Then  $\mu(1') = \mu(f(1)) = \mu^f(1) \geq \mu^f(y) = \mu(f(y)) = \mu(x)$ . Let  $x, y, z \in Y$ . Then there exist  $a, b, c \in X$  such that  $f(a) = x, f(b) = y$  and  $f(c) = z$ . Hence we get

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(x * z) &= \mu(f(a) * f(c)) \\ &= \mu(f(a * c)) \\ &= \mu^f(a * c) \\ &\geq \min\{\mu^f(a * b), \mu^f(b * c)\} \\ &= \min\{\mu(f(a) * f(b)), \mu(f(b) * f(c))\} \\ &= \min\{\mu(x * y), \mu(y * z)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\mu$  is a fuzzy transitive filter in  $Y$ . □

Let  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  be two fuzzy sets in a  $BE$ -algebra  $X$ . Then obviously  $\mu \times \nu$  is a fuzzy relation on  $X$  and hence a fuzzy set in  $X \times X$ . For any two  $BE$ -algebras  $X$  and  $Y$ , define an operation  $*$  on  $X \times Y$  as follows:

$$(x, y) * (x', y') = (x * x', y * y') \text{ for all } x, x' \in X \text{ and } y, y' \in Y.$$

Then it can be easily observed that  $(X \times Y, *, (1, 1))$  is a  $BE$ -algebra.

**THEOREM 4.3.** *Let  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  be two fuzzy transitive filters of a  $BE$ -algebra  $X$ . Then  $\mu \times \nu$  is a fuzzy transitive filter in  $X \times X$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $(x, y) \in X \times X$ . Since  $\mu, \nu$  are fuzzy transitive filters in  $X$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} (\mu \times \nu)(1, 1) &= \min\{\mu(1), \nu(1)\} \\ &\geq \min\{\mu(x), \nu(y)\} && \text{for all } x, y \in X \\ &= (\mu \times \nu)(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $(x, x'), (y, y'), (z, z') \in X \times X$ . Since  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  are fuzzy transitive filters in  $X$ , we can obtain the following consequence.

$$\begin{aligned} (\mu \times \nu)((x, x') * (z, z')) &= (\mu \times \nu)(x * z, x' * z') \\ &= \min\{\mu(x * z), \nu(x' * z')\} \\ &\geq \min\{\min\{\mu(x * y), \mu(y * z)\}, \min\{\nu(x' * y'), \nu(y' * z')\}\} \\ &= \min\{\min\{\mu(x * y), \nu(x' * y')\}, \min\{\mu(y * z), \nu(y' * z')\}\} \\ &= \min\{(\mu \times \nu)(x * y, x' * y'), (\mu \times \nu)(y * z, y' * z')\} \\ &= \min\{(\mu \times \nu)((x, x') * (y, y')), (\mu \times \nu)((y, y') * (z, z'))\}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\mu \times \nu$  is a fuzzy transitive filter in  $X \times X$ .  $\square$

DEFINITION 4.4. Let  $\nu$  be a fuzzy set in a  $BE$ -algebra  $X$ . Then the strongest fuzzy relation  $\mu_\nu$  is a fuzzy relation on  $X$  defined for all  $x, y \in X$  as follows:

$$\mu_\nu(x, y) = \min\{\nu(x), \nu(y)\}.$$

THEOREM 4.5. Let  $\nu$  be a fuzzy set in a  $BE$ -algebra  $X$  and  $\mu_\nu$  the strongest fuzzy relation on  $X$ . Then  $\nu$  is a fuzzy transitive filter of  $X$  if and only if  $\mu_\nu$  is a fuzzy transitive filter of  $X \times X$ .

*Proof.* Assume that  $\nu$  is a fuzzy transitive filter of  $X$ . Then for any  $(x, y) \in X \times X$ ,

$$\mu_\nu(x, y) = \min\{\nu(x), \nu(y)\} \leq \min\{\nu(1), \nu(1)\} = \mu_\nu(1, 1).$$

Let  $(x, x'), (y, y'), (z, z') \in X \times X$ . Then we get the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_\nu((x, x') * (z, z')) &= \mu_\nu(x * z, x' * z') \\ &= \min\{\nu(x * z), \nu(x' * z')\} \\ &\geq \min\{\min\{\nu(x * y), \nu(y * z)\}, \min\{\nu(x' * y'), \nu(y' * z')\}\} \\ &= \min\{\min\{\nu(x * y), \nu(x' * y')\}, \min\{\nu(y * z), \nu(y' * z')\}\} \\ &= \min\{\mu_\nu(x * y, x' * y'), \mu_\nu(y * z, y' * z')\} \\ &= \min\{\mu_\nu((x, x') * (y, y')), \mu_\nu((y, y') * (z, z'))\}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\mu_\nu$  is a fuzzy transitive filter of  $X \times X$ . Conversely, assume that  $\mu_\nu$  is a fuzzy transitive filter of  $X \times X$ . Then

$$\nu(1) = \min\{\nu(1), \nu(1)\} = \mu_\nu(1, 1) \geq \mu_\nu(x, x) = \min\{\nu(x), \nu(x)\} = \nu(x)$$



for all  $x \in X$ . Hence it yields that  $\nu(x) \leq \nu(1)$  for all  $x \in X$ . Let  $x, y, z \in X$ . Then we have the following consequence.

$$\begin{aligned} \nu(x * z) &= \min\{\nu(x * z), \nu(1)\} \\ &= \mu_\nu(x * z, 1) \\ &= \mu_\nu((x, 1) * (z * 1)) \\ &\geq \min\{\mu_\nu((x, 1) * (y, 1)), \mu_\nu((y, 1) * (z, 1))\} \\ &= \min\{\mu_\nu(x * y, 1), \mu_\nu(y * z, 1)\} \\ &= \min\{\min\{\nu(x * y), \nu(1)\}, \min\{\nu(y * z), \nu(1)\}\} \\ &= \min\{\nu(x * y), \nu(y * z)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\nu$  is a fuzzy transitive filter of  $X$ . □

### 5. Triangular normed fuzzification

In this section, the notion of triangular normed fuzzy transitive filters in  $BE$ -algebras. Some sufficient conditions are derived for every triangular normed fuzzy filter of a  $BE$ -algebra to become a triangular normed fuzzy transitive filter.

DEFINITION 5.1. Let  $I = [0, 1]$ . Then by a  $t$ -norm  $T$ , we mean a function  $T : I \times I \rightarrow I$  satisfying the following:

- (1)  $T(x, x) = 1$ ,
- (2)  $y \leq z$  implies  $T(x, y) \leq T(x, z)$ ,
- (3)  $T(x, y) = T(y, x)$ , and
- (4)  $T(x, T(y, z)) = T(T(x, y), z)$  for all  $x, y, z \in I$ .

Let  $I = [0, 1]$  and  $T : I \times I \rightarrow I$  a function defined as follows:

$$T_m(x) = \min\{x, y\} = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \leq y \\ y & \text{if } y < x. \end{cases}$$

Then clearly  $T_m$  is a  $t$ -norm on  $I$ . For any  $t$ -norm  $T$  on  $I$ , it can be easily observed that  $T(\alpha, \beta) \leq \min\{\alpha, \beta\}$  for all  $\alpha, \beta \in I$ . For any  $t$ -norm  $T$  on  $I$ , define  $\Delta_T = \{\alpha \in I \mid T(\alpha, \alpha) = \alpha\}$ . A  $t$ -norm  $T$  is continuous if  $T$  is a continuous function.

DEFINITION 5.2. A fuzzy set  $\mu$  in a  $BE$ -algebra  $X$  is said to satisfy *imaginable property* if  $T(\mu(x), \mu(x)) = \mu(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ .

DEFINITION 5.3. A fuzzy set  $\mu$  of a  $BE$ -algebra  $X$  is called a fuzzy filter of  $X$  with respect to a  $t$ -norm  $T$  (simply called  $T$ -fuzzy filter) if it satisfies:

- (1)  $\mu(1) \geq \mu(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ ,  
 (2)  $\mu(y) \geq T(\mu(x), \mu(x * y))$  for all  $x, y \in X$ .

DEFINITION 5.4. A fuzzy set  $\mu$  of a  $BE$ -algebra  $X$  is called a fuzzy transitive filter  $X$  with respect to a  $t$ -norm  $T$  (simply called  $T$ -fuzzy transitive filter) if it satisfies:

- (1)  $\mu(1) \geq \mu(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ ,  
 (2)  $\mu(x * z) \geq T(\mu(x * y), \mu(y * z))$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

PROPOSITION 5.5. Every  $T$ -fuzzy transitive filter of a  $BE$ -algebra is a  $T$ -fuzzy filter.

*Proof.* Let  $\mu$  be a  $T$ -fuzzy transitive filter of  $F$ . Let  $x, y \in X$ . Then  $\mu(y) = \mu(1 * y) \geq T(\mu(1 * x), \mu(x * y)) = T(\mu(x), \mu(x * y))$ . Hence  $\mu$  is a  $T$ -fuzzy filter of  $X$ .  $\square$

In general, the converse of the above proposition is not true. However, in the following, we derive some sufficient conditions for every  $T$ -fuzzy filter of a  $BE$ -algebra to become a  $T$ -fuzzy transitive filter.

THEOREM 5.6. Every  $T$ -fuzzy filter  $\mu$  of a  $BE$ -algebra  $X$  is a  $T$ -fuzzy transitive filter if it satisfies the following condition for all  $x, y \in X$ .

$$(TF_1) \quad \mu(y) \geq \mu(x * (x * y))$$

*Proof.* Let  $\mu$  be a  $T$ -fuzzy filter of  $X$  such that the condition  $(TF_1)$  holds for all  $x, y \in X$ . Let  $x, y, z \in X$ . Then we get the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(x * z) &\geq T(\mu(y), \mu(y * (x * z))) \\ &= T(\mu(y), \mu(x * (y * z))) \\ &\geq T(\mu(y), \mu(y * z)) \\ &\geq T(\mu(x * (x * y)), \mu(y * z)) \\ &\geq T(\mu(x * y), \mu(y * z)). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\mu$  is a  $T$ -fuzzy transitive filter of  $X$ .  $\square$

THEOREM 5.7. Every  $T$ -fuzzy filter  $\mu$  of a  $BE$ -algebra  $X$  is a  $T$ -fuzzy transitive filter if it satisfies the following condition for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

$$(TF_2) \quad \mu((x * y) * z) \geq \mu(x * (y * z)).$$

*Proof.* Let  $\mu$  be a  $T$ -fuzzy filter of  $X$  such that the condition  $(TF_2)$  holds for all  $x, y, z \in X$ . Let  $x, y, z \in X$ . Then we get the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(x * z) &\geq \mu(z) \\ &= T(\mu(x * y), \mu((x * y) * z)) \\ &\geq T(\mu(x * y), \mu(x * (y * z))) \\ &\geq T(\mu(x * y), \mu(y * z)). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\mu$  is a  $T$ -fuzzy transitive filter of  $X$ . □

LEMMA 5.8. *Every imaginable  $T$ -fuzzy transitive filter of a  $BE$ -algebra  $X$  is order preserving.*

*Proof.* Let  $\mu$  be a  $T$ -fuzzy transitive filter of  $X$ . Let  $x, y \in L$  be such that  $x \leq y$ . Then  $x * y = 1$ . Hence we get the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(y) &= \mu(1 * y) \\ &\geq T(\mu(1 * x), \mu(x * y)) \\ &= T(\mu(x), \mu(1)) \geq T(\mu(x), \mu(x)) \\ &= \mu(x). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\mu$  is order preserving. □

PROPOSITION 5.9. *Every fuzzy transitive filter is a  $T$ -fuzzy transitive.*

*Proof.* Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy transitive filter of a  $BE$ -algebra  $X$ . For  $x, y, z \in X$ , we have

$$\mu(x * z) \geq \min\{\mu(x * y), \mu(y * z)\} \geq T(\mu(x * y), \mu(y * z)).$$

Therefore  $\mu$  is a  $T$ -fuzzy transitive filter in  $X$ . □

The converse of the above proposition is not true. However, we derive a sufficient condition for every  $T$ -fuzzy transitive filter to become a fuzzy transitive filter.

THEOREM 5.10. *Every imaginable  $T$ -fuzzy transitive filter of a  $BE$ -algebra  $X$  is a fuzzy transitive filter.*

*Proof.* Let  $\mu$  be an imaginable  $T$ -fuzzy filter in  $X$ . Let  $x, y, z \in X$ . Then clearly  $\mu(x * z) \geq T(\mu(x * y), \mu(y * z))$ . Since  $\mu$  is imaginable and  $\min\{\mu(x * y), \mu(y * z)\} \leq \mu(x * y), \mu(y * z)$ , we get the following:

$$\begin{aligned} &\min\{\mu(x * y), \mu(y * z)\} \\ &= T(\min\{\mu(x * y), \mu(y * z)\}, \min\{\mu(x * y), \mu(y * z)\}) \\ &\leq T(\min\{\mu(x * y), \mu(y * z)\}, \mu(y * z)) \\ &\leq T(\mu(x * y), \mu(y * z)) \\ &\leq \min\{\mu(x * y), \mu(y * z)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $T(\mu(x * y), \mu(y * z)) = \min\{\mu(x * y), \mu(y * z)\}$ . Thus

$$\mu(x * z) \geq T(\mu(x * y), \mu(y * z)) = \min\{\mu(x * y), \mu(y * z)\}.$$

Therefore  $\mu$  is a fuzzy transitive filter of  $X$ . □

DEFINITION 5.11. Let  $X$  and  $X'$  be any two set and  $f : X \rightarrow X'$  be a function. If  $\nu$  is a fuzzy set in  $f(X)$ , then the fuzzy set  $\mu$  in  $X$  defined for all  $x \in X$  by

$$\mu(x) = \nu(f(x))$$

is called the pre-image of  $\nu$  under  $f$  and is denoted by  $f^{-1}(\nu)$ . Clearly  $f^{-1}(\nu) = \nu \circ f$ .

THEOREM 5.12. Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an onto homomorphism of BE-algebras. If  $\nu$  is a  $T$ -fuzzy transitive filter of  $Y$ , then  $f^{-1}(\nu)$  is a  $T$ -fuzzy transitive filter of  $X$ . Moreover, if  $\nu$  satisfies the imaginable property then so does  $f^{-1}(\nu)$ .

*Proof.* For any  $x \in X$ ,  $f^{-1}(\nu)(1) = \nu(f(1)) = \nu(1) \geq \nu(f(x)) = f^{-1}(\nu)(x)$ . Let  $x, y, z \in X$ . Then

$$f^{-1}(\nu)(x * z) = \nu(f(x * z)) = \nu(f(x) * f(z)) \geq T(\nu(f(x) * a), \nu(a * f(z)))$$

for some  $a \in Y$ . Since  $f$  is onto, there exists  $y_a \in X$  such that  $f(y_a) = a$ . Now

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(\nu)(x * z) &\geq T(\nu(f(x) * a), \nu(a * f(z))) \\ &= T(\nu(f(x) * f(y_a)), \nu(f(y_a) * f(z))) \\ &= T(\nu(f(x * y_a)), \nu(f(y_a * z))) \\ &= T(f^{-1}(\nu)(x * y_a), f^{-1}(\nu)(y_a * z)). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $a$  is arbitrary, this inequality holds for all  $y \in X$ . Hence it yields

$$f^{-1}(\nu)(x * z) \geq T(f^{-1}(\nu)(x * y), f^{-1}(\nu)(y * z)).$$

Therefore  $f^{-1}(\nu)$  is a  $T$ -fuzzy transitive filter of  $X$ . Suppose  $\nu$  satisfies the imaginable property. Then we get

$$T(f^{-1}(\nu)(x), f^{-1}(\nu)(x)) = T(\nu(f(x)), \nu(f(x))) = \nu(f(x)) = f^{-1}(\nu)(x).$$

Therefore  $f^{-1}(\nu)$  satisfies the imaginable property.  $\square$

DEFINITION 5.13. Let  $X$  and  $X'$  be any two sets and  $f : X \rightarrow X'$  be any function. If  $\mu$  is a fuzzy set in  $X$ , then the fuzzy set  $\nu$  in  $X'$  defined for all  $x \in X'$  by

$$\nu(x) = \sup_{t \in f^{-1}(x)} \mu(t)$$

is called the image of  $\mu$  under  $f$  and is denoted by  $f(\mu)$ .

We say that a fuzzy set  $\mu$  in  $X$  has the sup property if, for any subset  $A$  of  $X$ , there exists  $a_0 \in A$  such that  $\mu(a_0) = \sup_{a \in A} \mu(a)$ .

**THEOREM 5.14.** *Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a homomorphism of a BE-algebra  $X$  onto a BE-algebra  $Y$ . Let  $\mu$  be a  $T$ -fuzzy transitive filter of  $X$  which has the sup property. Then the image of  $\mu$  under  $f$  is a  $T$ -fuzzy transitive filter of  $Y$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $1 \in f^{-1}(1)$ , we get  $f(\mu)(1) = \sup_{t \in f^{-1}(1)} \mu(t) = \mu(1) \geq \mu(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ . Hence  $f(\mu)(1) \geq \sup_{t \in f^{-1}(a)} \mu(t) = f(\mu)(a)$  for all  $a \in Y$ . For any  $a, b, c \in Y$ , let  $x_a \in f^{-1}(a), x_b \in f^{-1}(b)$  and  $x_c \in f^{-1}(c)$  be such that  $\mu(x_a * x_c) = \sup_{t \in f^{-1}(a*c)} \mu(t), \mu(x_b * x_c) = \sup_{t \in f^{-1}(b*c)} \mu(t)$  and  $\mu(x_a * x_b) = \sup_{t \in f^{-1}(a*b)} \mu(t)$ . Then we get the following consequence:

$$\begin{aligned} f(\mu)(a * c) &= \sup_{t \in f^{-1}(a*c)} \mu(t) \\ &= \mu(x_a * x_c) \\ &\geq T(\mu(x_a * x_b), \mu(x_b * x_c)) \\ &= T(\sup_{t \in f^{-1}(a*b)} \mu(t), \sup_{t \in f^{-1}(b*c)} \mu(t)) \\ &= T(f(\mu)(a * b), f(\mu)(b * c)). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $f(\mu)$  is a  $T$ -fuzzy transitive filter of  $Y$ . □

**DEFINITION 5.15.** Let  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  be two fuzzy sets in a BE-algebra  $X$ . Then the  $T$ -product of  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  is defined by  $(\mu \times \nu)_T(x) = T(\mu(x), \nu(x))$  for all  $x \in X$

**DEFINITION 5.16.** Let  $T$  and  $S$  be two  $t$ -norms on  $I = [0, 1]$ . Then the  $t$ -norm  $S$  is said to dominate the  $t$ -norm  $T$  if for all  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta \in [0, 1]$ , the following satisfies:

$$S(T(\alpha, \gamma), T(\beta, \delta)) \geq T(S(\alpha, \beta), S(\gamma, \delta))$$

**THEOREM 5.17.** *Let  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  be  $T$ -fuzzy transitive filters of a BE-algebra  $X$ . If a  $t$ -norm  $S$  dominates  $T$ , then the produce  $(\mu \times \nu)_S$  is a  $T$ -fuzzy transitive filter of  $X$ .*

*Proof.* For any  $x \in X$ , we can get that  $(\mu \times \nu)_S(1) = S(\mu(1), \nu(1)) \geq S(\mu(x), \nu(x)) = (\mu \times \nu)_S(x)$ . Let  $x, y, z \in X$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} (\mu \times \nu)_S(x * z) &= S(\mu(x * z), \nu(x * z)) \\ &\geq S(T(\mu(x * y), \mu(y * z)), T(\nu(x * y), \nu(y * z))) \\ &\geq T(S(\mu(x * y), \nu(x * y)); S(\mu(y * z), \nu(y * z))) \\ &= T((\mu \times \nu)_S(x * y), (\mu \times \nu)_S(x * y)). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $(\mu \times \nu)_S$  is a  $T$ -fuzzy transitive filter of  $X$ . □

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