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On Certain Properties of the β -Flexible Q-Fuzzy Groups and β -Flexible Normal Q-Fuzzy Subgroups

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- **Abstract:** The main purpose of this study is to introduce the new concept of fuzzy set and β -flexible fuzzy set. Based on this, the concept of β -flexible Q-fuzzy group and β -flexible normal Q-fuzzy subgroups are given. The necessary properties related to these two concepts are discussed and proved by using these definitions. We shall also extend some new results related to this subject.
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1. Introduction

Zadeh [9] first introduced the fuzzy set concepts. Then Rosenfeld [1] introduced the elementary concepts of fuzzy subgroups, which was the first fuzzification of any algebraic structures. Motivated by this subject, many mathematicians started to review the various concepts and the notion of different fuzzy algebraic structures such as fuzzy ideals in both ring and semi ring etc. Zadeh [9] introduced the concepts of interval-valued fuzzy sets, where the values are members instead of the real points. Zadeh's definition has been generalized by Anthony and Sherwood [2]. They introduced the concept of fuzzy normal subgroups. Mukherjee and Bhattacharya [4] studied the normal fuzzy groups and fuzzy cosets. On the other hand, the notion of a fuzzy subgroup of abelian group was introduced by Murali and Makamba [6], who counted the number of fuzzy subgroups in an abelian group of order $p^n q$, where p, n, q are positive integers, whereas Solairaju and Nagarajan [10] have introduced the notion of Q-fuzzy subgroups and upper Q-fuzzy order. This study was based on the references of Sarangapani and Muruganantham [11], Geethalakshmi Manickam and Solairaju [17] have introduced the concept of β -flexible Q-fuzzy groups and β -flexible normal Q-fuzzy groups and some of its elementary properties are discussed and derived.

2. Preliminaries and Definitions

The basic definitions and results are presented now in a β -flexible Q-fuzzy group.

Definition 2.1. Let X be a set. Then the mapping $X : G \to [0,1]$ is called a fuzzy subset of X.

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Definition 2.2. For any Q-fuzzy set A in X and $t \in [0,1]$, the set $U(A:t) = \{x \in X : A(x,q) \ge t, \forall q \in Q\}$ which is a cut-set of A.

Definition 2.3. Let X be any group. A mapping $\Omega: X_{\beta} \to [0,1]$ is a β -fuzzy group of X if

(i). $\Omega(x\beta y\beta) \le \max\{\Omega(x\beta), \Omega(y\beta)\}.$

(*ii*). $\Omega(x^{-1}\beta) \leq \Omega(x\beta)$ for all $x, y \in X_{\beta}$ and for any β in X_{β} .

Definition 2.4. A β -Q-fuzzy set A is called β -Q-fuzzy group of X_{β} if

 $(\beta$ -QFG1): $A(x\beta y\beta, q) \ge \min\{A(x\beta, q), A(y\beta, q)\}.$

(β -QFG2): $A(x^{-1}\beta, q) = A(x\beta, q)$.

(β -QFG3): $A(x\beta, q) = 1$ for all $x, y \in X_{\beta}$ and $q \in Q$.

Definition 2.5. If Ω is a β -Q-fuzzy group of a group X_{β} having identity e, then

- (i). $\Omega(x^{-1}\beta, q) = \Omega(x\beta, q).$
- (*ii*). $\Omega(e\beta, q) \leq \Omega(x\beta, q)$ for all $x \in X_{\beta}$.

Definition 2.6. Let Ω be a β -Q-fuzzy group of X_{β} . Then Ω is called a β -Q-fuzzy normal group of X_{β} if $\Omega(x\beta y\beta, q) = \mu(y\beta x\beta, q)$ for all $x, y \in X_{\beta}$.

Definition 2.7. The T-norm is a function that maps the pair of number in the unit interval into the unit interval, which is given as $T : [0,1] \times [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$. The following four conditions are hold hood for all a_1, a_2, a_3 and $a_4 \in [0,1]$.

- (*i*). $T(a_1, a_2) = T(a_2, a_1)$.
- (*ii*). $T(a_1, T(a_2, a_3)) = T(T(a_1, a_2), a_3)$.
- (*iii*). $T(a_1, 1) = T(1, a_1) = 1$.
- (iv). If $a_1 \leq a_3$ and $a_2 \leq a_4$ then $T(a_1, a_2) \leq T(a_3, a_4)$.

Note: The T-norm is a minimum norm.

Definition 2.8. Let X_{β} be a set. Then a mapping $\Omega : X_{\beta} \times Q \to Q^*([0,1])$ is called β -Q-flexible subset of X_{β} , where $Q^*([0,1])$ denotes the set of all non-empty subsets in the interval [0, 1].

Definition 2.9. Let X_{β} be a non-empty set and Ω, λ be two β -flexible Q-fuzzy subsets of X_{β} . Then the intersection of Ω and λ is denoted by $(\Omega \cap \lambda)$ is defined by $\Omega \cap \lambda = {\min\{a, b\}/a \in \Omega(x\beta), b \in \lambda(x\beta)}$ for all $x \in X_{\beta}$.

The union of Ω and λ is denoted by $(\Omega \cap \lambda)$ is defined by $\Omega \cap \lambda = \{\max\{a, b\}/a \in \Omega(x\beta), b \in \lambda(y\beta)\}$ for all $x \in X_{\beta}$.

Definition 2.10. Let X_{β} be a groupoid (it is a set which is closed under a binary relation, namely multiplicatively). Then the mapping is called β -flexible Q-fuzzy groupoid if the following conditions are hold hood:

(i). $\inf \Omega(x\beta y\beta, q) \ge T\{\inf \Omega(x\beta, q), \inf \Omega(y\beta, q)\}.$

(*ii*). $\sup \Omega(x\beta y\beta, q) \ge T\{\sup \Omega(x\beta, q), \sup \Omega(y\beta, q)\}$ for all $x, y \in X_{\beta}$ and $q \in Q$.

Definition 2.11. Let X_{β} be a group. A mapping $\Omega : X_{\beta} \times Q \to Q^*([0,1])$ is called a β -flexible Q-fuzzy group of X_{β} if the following conditions are hold hood:

- (i). $\inf \Omega(x\beta y\beta, q) \ge T\{\inf \Omega(x\beta, q), \inf \Omega(y\beta, q)\}.$
- (*ii*). $\sup \Omega(x\beta y\beta, q) \ge T\{\sup \Omega(x\beta, q), \sup \Omega(y\beta, q)\}.$
- (*iii*). inf $\Omega(x^{-1}\beta, q) \ge \inf \Omega(x\beta, q)$.
- (iv). $\sup \Omega(x^{-1}\beta, q) \ge \sup \Omega(x\beta, q)$ for all $x, y \in X_{\beta}$ and $q \in Q$.

Example 2.12. Let $G = \{e, p, q, r\}$ be Klein's four groups. We define the multiplication in a group G as follows

	•	e	р	\mathbf{q}	r
	е	е	е	е	е
	р	р	р	р	р
	q	е	е	е	q
	r	р	р	р	е

Then (G, \bullet) is a group. Define a flexible fuzzy subset $\mu : G \to Q^*([0, 1])$ by $\mu(e) = 0.75, \mu(p) = 0.25, \mu(q) = 0.0.25, \mu(r) = 0.75$. Then μ is a flexible fuzzy subgroup of G.

Note 2.13. In definition * if $\Omega : X_{\beta} \times Q \to Q^*([0,1])$, then $\Omega(x\beta,q) \quad \forall x \in X_{\beta}$ are real points in [0, 1] and also $\inf(\Omega(x\beta,q)) = \sup(\Omega(x\beta,q)) = \Omega(x\beta,q), x \in X_{\beta}$ and $q \in Q$. Thus definition * reduces to definition of Rosenfeld's fuzzy group. So a β -flexible Q-fuzzy group is a generalization of Rosenfeld's fuzzy group.

3. Properties of β -Flexible Q-Fuzzy Group

Theorem 3.1. A β -flexible Q-fuzzy subset Ω of a group X_{β} is a β -flexible Q-fuzzy group if and only if the following conditions are hold.

- (i). $\inf \Omega(x\beta y^{-1}\beta, q) \ge T\{\inf \Omega(x\beta, q), \inf \Omega(y\beta, q)\}.$
- (*ii*). $\sup \Omega(x\beta y^{-1}\beta, q) \ge T\{\sup \Omega(x\beta, q), \sup \Omega(y\beta, q)\}.$

for all $x, y \in X_{\beta}$.

Proof. At first let Ω be a β -flexible Q-fuzzy group of X_{β} and $x, y \in X_{\beta}$. Then

$$\inf \Omega(x\beta y^{-1}\beta, q) \ge T\{\inf \Omega(x\beta, q), \inf \Omega(y^{-1}\beta, q)\}$$
$$= T\{\inf \Omega(x\beta, q), \inf \Omega(y\beta, q)\}$$
$$\sup \Omega(x\beta y^{-1}\beta, q) \ge T\{\sup \Omega(x\beta, q), \sup \Omega(y\beta, q)\}$$
$$= T\{\sup \Omega(x\beta, q), \sup \Omega(y\beta, q)\}.$$

Conversely, let Ω be a β -flexible Q-fuzzy subset of X_{β} and given conditions hold. Then it follows that

$$\inf \Omega(e\beta, q) = \inf \Omega(x\beta x^{-1}\beta, q)$$

$$\geq T\{\inf \Omega(x\beta, q), \inf \mu(x\beta, q)\}$$

$$= \inf \Omega(x\beta, q) \qquad (1)$$

$$\sup \Omega(e\beta, q) = \sup \Omega(x\beta x^{-1}\beta, q)$$

$$\geq T\{\sup \Omega(x\beta, q), \sup \Omega(x\beta, q)\}$$

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 $= \sup \Omega(x\beta, q)$

for all $x \in X_{\beta}$. It implies that

$$\inf \Omega(x^{-1}\beta, q) = \inf \Omega(e\beta x^{-1}\beta, q)$$

$$\geq T\{\inf \Omega(e\beta, q), \inf \Omega(x\beta, q)\}$$

$$= \inf \Omega(x\beta, q) \text{ by using (1)}$$

$$\sup \Omega(x^{-1}\beta, q) = \sup \Omega(e\beta x^{-1}\beta, q)$$

$$\geq T\{\sup \Omega(e\beta, q), \sup \Omega(x\beta, q)\}$$

$$= \sup \Omega(x\beta, q) \text{ by using (2)}$$

Again,

$$\inf \Omega(x\beta y\beta, q) \ge T\{\inf \Omega(x\beta, q), \inf \Omega(y^{-1}\beta, q)\}$$
$$\ge T\{\inf \Omega(x\beta, q), \inf \Omega(y\beta, q)\}.$$
$$\sup \Omega(x\beta y\beta, q) \ge T\{\sup \Omega(x\beta, q), \sup \Omega(y\beta, q)\}$$
$$\ge T\{\sup \Omega(x\beta, q), \sup \Omega(y\beta, q)\}.$$

Hence Ω is a β -flexible Q-fuzzy group of X_{β} .

Theorem 3.2. If Ω is a β -flexible Q-fuzzy groupoid of an infinite group X_{β} , then Ω is a β -flexible Q-fuzzy group of X_{β} .

Proof. Let $x \in X_{\beta}$. Since X_{β} is finite, x has finite order, say p. Then $x^{p} = e$, where e is the identity element of X_{β} . Thus $x^{-1}\beta = \mu^{p-1}\beta$ using the definition of β -flexible Q-fuzzy groupoid, it gets that $\inf \Omega(x^{-1}\beta,q) = \inf \Omega(x^{p-1}\beta,q) = \inf \Omega(x^{p-2}\beta,q) \ge T\{\inf \Omega(x^{p-2}\beta,q), \Omega(x\beta,q)\}$. Again, $\inf \Omega(x^{p-2}\beta,q) = \inf \Omega(x^{p-3}\beta,x,q) \ge T\{\inf \Omega(x^{p-3}\beta,q), \Omega(x\beta,q)\}$. Then we have $\inf \Omega(x^{-1}\beta,q) \ge T\{\inf \Omega(x^{p-3}\beta,q), \inf \Omega(x\beta,q)\}$. So applying the definition of β -flexible Q-fuzzy groupoid repeatedly, we have now $\inf \Omega(x^{-1}\beta,q) \le \inf \Omega(x\beta,q)$. Similarly it gives that $\sup \Omega(x^{-1}\beta,q) \le \sup \Omega(x\beta,q)$. Therefore Ω is a β -flexible Q-fuzzy group of X_{β} .

Theorem 3.3. The intersection of any two β -flexible Q-fuzzy groups is also a β -flexible Q-fuzzy group of X_{β} .

Proof. Let A and B be any two β -flexible Q-fuzzy groups of X_{β} , both x and y are elements of X_{β} . Then

$$\inf(A \cap B)(x\beta y^{-1}\beta, q) = T\{\inf A(x\beta y^{-1}\beta, q), \inf B(x\beta y^{-1}\beta, q)\}$$

$$\geq T\{T\{\inf A(x\beta, q), \inf A(x\beta, q)\}, \{\inf B(x\beta, q), \inf B(y\beta, q)\}\}$$

$$= T\{T\{\inf A(x\beta, q), \inf B(x\beta, q)\}, T\{\inf A(x\beta, q), \inf B(y\beta, q)\}\}$$

$$= T\{\inf A \cap B(x\beta, q), \inf A \cap B(y\beta, q)\}$$
(3)

Again

$$\sup(A \cap B)(x\beta y^{-1}\beta, q) = T\{\sup A(x\beta y^{-1}\beta, q), \sup B(x\beta y^{-1}\beta, q)\}$$
$$\geq T\{T\{\{\sup A(x\beta, q), \sup A(x\beta, q)\}, \{\sup B(x\beta, q), \sup B(y\beta, q)\}\}\}$$

(2)

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$$= T\{T\{\sup A(x\beta, q), \sup B(x\beta, q)\}, T\{\sup A(x\beta, q), \sup B(y\beta, q)\}\}$$
$$= T\{\sup A \cap B(x\beta, q), \sup A \cap B(y\beta, q)\}$$
(4)

By (3) and (4) and using results, then it gets that $(A \cap B)$ is a β -flexible Q-fuzzy group of X_{β} .

Theorem 3.4. If A is a β -flexible Q-fuzzy group of a group X_{β} having identity e, then

- (i). inf $A(x^{-1}\beta, q) = \inf A(x\beta, q)$ and $\sup A(x^{-1}\beta, q) = \sup A(x\beta, q)$.
- (*ii*). inf $A(e\beta, q) = \inf A(x\beta, q)$ and $\sup A(e\beta, q) = \sup A(x\beta, q)$

for all $x \in X_{\beta}$.

Proof.

(i). As A is a β -flexible Q-fuzzy group of a group X_{β} , then it gets that $\inf A(x^{-1}\beta, q) \leq \inf A(x\beta, q)$. Again, $\inf A(x\beta, q) = \inf A((x^{-1})^{-1}\beta, q) \leq \inf A(x^{-1}\beta, q)$. So $\inf A(x^{-1}\beta, q) = \inf A(x\beta, q)$. Similarly it can prove that $\sup A(x^{-1}\beta, q) = \sup A(x\beta, q)$

$$\inf A(e\beta, q) = \inf A(x\beta x^{-1}\beta, q) \ge T\{\inf A(x\beta, q), \inf A(x^{-1}\beta, q)\}$$

$$\sup A(e\beta, q) = \sup A(x\beta x^{-1}\beta, q) \ge T\{\sup A(x\beta, q), \sup A(x^{-1}\beta, q)\}.$$

Theorem 3.5. Let Ω and λ be two β -flexible Q-fuzzy groups of X_{β_1} and X_{β_2} respectively, and f be a homomorphism from X_{β_1} to X_{β_2} . Then

- (i). $f(\Omega\beta, q)$ is a β -flexible Q-fuzzy group of X_{β_2} .
- (ii). $f(\Omega\beta, q)$ is a β -flexible Q-fuzzy group of X_{β_1} .

Proof. It is straight forward.

Remark 3.6. If Ω is a β -flexible Q-fuzzy group of X_{β} and K is a subgroup of X_{β} , then the restriction of Ω to $K(\Omega/K)$ is a β -flexible Q-fuzzy group of K.

4. Normal β -Flexible Q-Fuzzy Group

Definition 4.1. If Ω is a β -flexible Q-fuzzy group of a group X_{β} , then Ω is called a normal β -flexible Q-fuzzy group of X_{β} if

$$\inf \Omega(x\beta y\beta) = \inf \Omega(y\beta x\beta)$$
$$\sup \Omega(x\beta y\beta) = \sup \Omega(y\beta x\beta)$$

for all $x, y \in X_{\beta}$.

Theorem 4.2. The intersection of any two normal β -flexible Q-fuzzy groups of X_{β} is also a normal β -flexible Q-fuzzy group of X_{β} .

Proof. Let A and B be any two normal β -flexible Q-fuzzy groups of X_{β} . Then $A \cap B$ is a β -flexible Q-fuzzy group of X_{β} . Let $x, y \in X_{\beta}$. Then by definition

$$\begin{split} \inf(A \cap B)(x\beta y\beta,q) &= T\{\inf A(x\beta y\beta,q), \inf B(x\beta y\beta,q)\}\\ &= T\{\inf A(y\beta x\beta,q), \inf B(y\beta x\beta,q)\}\\ &= \inf A \cap B(y\beta x\beta,q). \end{split}$$

Similarly $\sup(A \cap B)(x\beta y\beta, q) = \sup(A \cap B)(y\beta x\beta, q)$. This shows that $A \cap B$ is a normal β -flexible Q-fuzzy group of X_{β} . \Box

Theorem 4.3. The intersection of any arbitrary collection of normal β -flexible Q-fuzzy groups of a group X_{β} is also a normal β -flexible Q-fuzzy group of X_{β} .

Proof. Let $x, y \in X_{\beta}$ and $\alpha \in X_{\beta}$. Now it finds that

$$\begin{split} \inf A(x\beta y^{-1}\beta,q) &= \inf A(\alpha^{-1}x\beta y^{-1}\beta\alpha,q) \\ &= \inf A(\alpha^{-1}x\beta\alpha\alpha^{-1}y^{-1}\beta\alpha,q) \\ &= \inf (A(\alpha^{-1}x\beta\alpha,q),A((\alpha^{-1}y\beta\alpha)^{-1},q)) \\ &\geq T\{\inf (A(\alpha^{-1}x\beta\beta\alpha,q),\inf A((\alpha^{-1}y\alpha),q))\} \\ &= T\{\inf (A(x\beta,q),A((y\beta,q))\}. \end{split}$$

Again,

$$\begin{aligned} \sup A(x\beta y^{-1}\beta, q) &= \sup A(\alpha^{-1}x\beta y^{-1}\beta\alpha, q) \\ &= \sup A(\alpha^{-1}x\beta\alpha\alpha^{-1}y^{-1}\beta\alpha, q) \\ &= \sup(A(\alpha^{-1}x\beta\alpha, q), A((\alpha^{-1}y\beta\alpha)^{-1}, q)) \\ &\geq T\{\sup(A(\alpha^{-1}x\beta\alpha, q), \sup(A(\alpha^{-1}y\beta\alpha), q))\} \\ &= T\{\sup(A(x\beta, q), A(y\beta, q))\}. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that A is a normal β -flexible Q-fuzzy group of a group X_{β} .

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5. Conclusion

In this study we have introduced the concept of a β -flexible fuzzy set and a β -flexible Q-fuzzy group. Based on this β -flexible Q-fuzzy normal groups are given and some elementary properties are discussed. Some of these properties are proved.

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