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Fuzzy Stabilizer in IMTL-Algebras

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Abstract: In this paper, we introduced two types of fuzzy stabilizers $St_R^{\otimes}(F)$ and $St_R^{\oplus}(F)$ of a fuzzy set F and the stabilizer $St^{\vee}(F, G)$ of F with respect to G in IMTL-algebras. We proved that $St_R^{\otimes}(F)$, $St_R^{\oplus}(F)$ and $St^{\vee}(F, G)$ are fuzzy filters of M. We investigated some

properties of the stabilizers. By introducing the $\widetilde{\otimes}$ operation of two fuzzy filters, we prove that $\widetilde{\otimes}$ and $St^{\vee}(\cdot, \cdot)$ form an adjoint pair and the set of all fuzzy filters $\mathscr{F}(M)$ is a residuated lattice.

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1 Introduction

Algebraic method plays a key role in studying fuzzy logic, and any logical algebra systems corresponding to various logical systems are established accordingly [1,2]. MTL-algebras are the corresponding algebraic structures of Esteva and Godo's monoidal t-norm based logic (MTL). IMTL-algebras, which are the algebra structures for monoidal t-norm based logic with an involutive negation (IMTL), are the important sub-classes of MTLalgebras. The main examples of IMTL-algebras are the real unit interval [0, 1] endowed with the structure induced by a left-continuous t-norm with an involutive negation and the Lindenbaum algebra of the IMTL (the quotient of the free algebra of formulas with respect to the logical equivalence). MV-algebras and NM-algebras, which is called R_0 -algebras in [6], are the most known classes of IMTL-algebras. For more details of these algebras, we refer the reader to [3,4,5,6,7,8,9].

Up to now, these relevant logical algebra structures have already been widely studied. In particular, emphasis seems to have been put on filters theory. $H\dot{a}$ [3] proved the completeness of basic logical system BL. Turunnen [10,11] studied some properties of the filters and prime filters of BL-algebras (he called them deductive systems and prime deductive systems, respectively). In [12], he introduced the notion of Boolean filters (Boolean deductive systems) in BL-algebras and derived some characterizations of Boolean filters. Xu, Qin and Jun [13, 14, 15, 16] proposed the notions of positive implicative filter and fuzzy positive implicative filter, and derived several characterizations of fuzzy positive implicative filters in lattice implication algebras. Liu and Li [17, 18] proposed the notions of fuzzy Boolean filters and fuzzy positive implicative filters of BL-algebras and R_0 -algebras. Some properties of fuzzy Boolean filters and fuzzy positive implicative filters of BL-algebras and R_0 -algebras are derived. Recently, Zhang and Zhou [19] proved that the filters set of a residuated lattice forms a residuated lattice and the prime Boolean filters set is a quasi-Boolean algebra by introducing some operations among filters.

In the present paper, we studied two types of fuzzy stabilizers $St_R^{\otimes}(F)$ and $St_R^{\oplus}(F)$ of a fuzzy set F and the fuzzy stabilizer $St^{\vee}(F, G)$ of F with respect to G, for fuzzy subsets F and G in IMTL-algebras. We investigated some properties of the fuzzy stabilizers and show that $St_R^{\otimes}(F)$, $St_R^{\oplus}(F)$ and $St^{\vee}(F, G)$ are fuzzy filters of M. By introducing the $\tilde{\otimes}$ operation of two fuzzy filters, we prove that $\tilde{\otimes}$ and $St^{\vee}(\cdot, \cdot)$ is an adjoint pair and the set $\mathscr{F}(M)$ of all fuzzy filters forms a residuated lattice.

2 Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, let M denote an IMTL-algebra. Here we recall some definitions and results about IMTLalgebra which will be needed in the following.

Definition 2.1 (see [4]). A MTL-algebra is a bounded residuated lattice $(M, \lor, \land, \otimes, \rightarrow, 0, 1)$, where \lor and \land are the lattice meet and join operations and (\otimes, \rightarrow) is a

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residuated pair, satisfying the pre-linearity equation

$$(x \to y) \lor (y \to x) = 1.$$

An IMTL-algebra is a MTL-algebra satisfying

$$\neg \neg x = x$$
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where $\neg x = x \rightarrow 0$.

Let *M* be an IMTL-algebra. For any $x, y \in M$, define $x \oplus y = \neg x \rightarrow y$. It is easy to verify that \oplus are commutative, associative and $x \oplus y = \neg(\neg x \otimes \neg y)$.

Example 2.2. Let [0,1] be the real unit interval. \otimes is a left-continuous *t*-norm with an order-reversing involution and \rightarrow is its residuum, then $([0,1],\otimes,\rightarrow)$ is an IMTL-algebra called the IMTL-unit interval.

Lemma 2.3 (see [4,7]). Let M be an IMTL-algebra. Then for any $x, y, z \in M$,

(P1) $(M, \otimes, 1)$ is a commutative semigroup with the unit element 1,

(P2) \oplus is a monotone operator,

 $(P3) \ x \otimes y \leq x \wedge y \leq x \vee y \leq x \oplus y,$

(P4) $x \otimes y \leq z$ if and only if $x \leq y \rightarrow z$,

(P5) $x \otimes y \to z = x \to (y \to z), x \to (y \to x \otimes y) = 1$,

- $(P6) \ x \to y \le x \lor z \to y \lor z, x \to y \le x \otimes z \to y \otimes z,$
- $(P7) \ x \otimes (x \to y) \le y, x \le y \to x \otimes y,$

(P8) $x \otimes \neg x = 0, x \oplus \neg x = 1,$

- $(P9) \ x \otimes (y \lor z) = (x \otimes y) \lor (x \otimes z),$
- (P10) $x \lor (y \otimes z) \ge (x \lor y) \otimes (x \lor z)$,

(P11) $(x \leftrightarrow y) \otimes (y \leftrightarrow z) \leq x \leftrightarrow z$, where $x \leftrightarrow y = (x \rightarrow y) \land (y \rightarrow x)$,

(P12) $(x \leftrightarrow y) \otimes (z \leftrightarrow u) \leq (x \triangle z) \leftrightarrow (y \triangle u)$, where $\triangle \in \{\land, \lor, \otimes, \rightarrow\}$.

A subset *A* of *M* is called a filter of *M* if $(i) 1 \in A$, $(ii) x \in A$ and $x \leq y$ imply $y \in A$, $(iii) x, y \in A$ implies $x \otimes y \in A$. It is easy to prove that a subset *A* is a filter if and only if *A* satisfies (i) and $(iv)x, x \rightarrow y \in A$ imply $y \in A$. A filter *A* is called prime if $(v) \forall a, b \in M, x \lor y \in A$ implies $a \in A$ or $b \in A$ [6,12].

Definition 2.4 (see [19]). A fuzzy set F of M is called a fuzzy filter of M if it satisfies:

(F1) $F(1) \ge F(x)$, for any $x \in M$,

(F2) if $x \le y$ then $F(x) \le F(y)$,

(F3) $F(x \otimes y) \ge F(x) \wedge F(y)$, for any $x, y \in M$.

The empty set \emptyset is also viewed as a fuzzy filter of M, and the set of all fuzzy filters of M is denoted by $\mathscr{F}(M)$.

Proposition 2.5 (see [19]). A fuzzy set F of M is a fuzzy filter if and only if F satisfies (F1) and

(F4) $F(y) \ge F(x) \land F(x \to y)$ for any $x, y \in M$.

Definition 2.6 (see [19]). Let *F* be a fuzzy filter of *M*. *F* is called a fuzzy prime filter if $F(x \lor y) = F(x) \lor F(y)$ for any $x, y \in M$.

Proposition 2.7 (see [19]). A fuzzy set *F* of *M* is a fuzzy prime Boolean filter if and only if $F(x \oplus y) = F(x) \lor F(y)$ for any $x, y \in M$.

Definition 2.8 (see [19]). Let G be a fuzzy set of M. The fuzzy filter generated by G is defined as

$$\langle G \rangle = \bigcap_{\substack{F \in \mathscr{F}(M) \\ G \subseteq F}} F$$

Lemma 2.9 (see [19]). Let *G* be a nonempty fuzzy set of *M*. Then for $x \in M$,

$$\langle G \rangle(x) = \bigvee \{ \bigwedge_{k=1}^n G(a_k) \, | \, a_1, \cdots, a_n \in M, \, x \ge a_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_n \}.$$

Definition 2.10 (see [19]). A fuzzy subset *R* on $M \times M$ is called a fuzzy congruence relation if *R* is a fuzzy equivalent relation and satisfies

$$R(x \triangle z, y \triangle u) \ge R(x, y) \land R(z, u),$$

for all $x, y, z, u \in M$, where $\triangle \in \{\land, \lor, \otimes, \rightarrow\}$.

Proposition 2.11 (see [19]). Let *R* be a fuzzy congruence relation on *M*. Then $R(x, y) = R(x \leftrightarrow y, 1)$ for all $x, y \in M$

Proposition 2.12 (see [19]). Let *R* be a fuzzy congruence relation on *M*. Then $R(x, \cdot)$ is a fuzzy filter for every $x \in M$.

Proposition 2.13 (see [19]). Let *F* be a fuzzy filter of IMTL-algebra *M* and F(1) = 1. By means of *F* we can generate a fuzzy congruence relation $R(x, y) = F((x \rightarrow y) \land (y \rightarrow x))$ on $M \times M$.

Proposition 2.14. For a fuzzy congruence relation *R* we have $R(x, y) = R(\neg x, \neg y)$ for all $x, y \in M$.

Proof. On one hand, $R(\neg x, \neg y) = R(xto0, y \rightarrow 0) \ge R(x, y) \land R(0, 0) = R(x, y)$. On the other hand, $R(x, y) = R((x \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow 0, (y \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow 0) \ge R(x \rightarrow 0, y \rightarrow 0) \land R(0, 0) = R(\neg x, \neg y)$. Hence $R(x, y) = R(\neg x, \neg y)$.

3 Fuzzy stabilizer with respect to a fuzzy congruence relation *R* in IMTL-algebras

Definition 3.1. Let *F* be a fuzzy set of *M* and *R* be a fuzzy congruence relation on *M*. The fuzzy \otimes -stabilizer and fuzzy \oplus -stabilizer of *F* with respect to *R* are defined by:

$$St_{R}^{\otimes}(F)(x) = \bigwedge_{z \in M} \{F(z) \to R(z, z \otimes x)\},$$
$$St_{R}^{\oplus}(F)(x) = \bigwedge_{z \in M} \{F(z) \to R(z \oplus \neg x, z)\}, x \in M$$

where \rightarrow is the residuum implication with respect to a leftcontinuous *t*-norm \otimes with an order-reversing involution on [0, 1].

Remark 3.2. (1) Let *R* be an identity relation on *M*. Then for any $x \in M$,

$$St_{Id}^{\otimes}(F)(x) = \bigwedge_{z \in M} \{F(z) \to Id(z, z \otimes x)\} = \bigvee_{z \neq z \otimes x} F(z) \to 0,$$

$$St_{Id}^{\oplus}(F)(x) = \bigwedge_{z \in M} \{F(z) \to Id(z \oplus \neg x, z)\} = \bigvee_{z \neq z \oplus \neg x} F(z) \to 0.$$

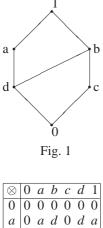
(2) If *R* is an identity relation *Id* on *M* and *X* is a classic subset of *M*, i.e., $F = \chi_X$. Then

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$$St_{Id}^{\otimes}(X) = \{x \in M \mid \forall z \in X, z \otimes x = z\} = \{x \in M \mid \forall z \in X, x \to \neg z = \neg z\},\$$
$$St_{Id}^{\oplus}(X) = \{x \in M \mid \forall z \in X, z \oplus \neg x = z\} = \{x \in M \mid \forall z \in X, z \oplus \neg x = z\} = \{x \in M \mid \forall z \in X, z \oplus \neg x = z\}$$

The above equations mean that $z \otimes x$ identity with zand $z \oplus \neg x$ identity with z for every element $z \in X$. From logical point of view, if X is a formula set then $St_{Id}^{\oplus}(X)$ corresponds to the set of formulae that every formula in Xthat implies z equals to z, $St_{Id}^{\otimes}(X)$ corresponds to the set of formulaes that every formula in X that implies $\neg z$ equals to $\neg z$ for any formula $z \in X$. This means that the formulas in $St_{Id}^{\otimes}(X)$ and $St_{Id}^{\oplus}(X)$ have some stability for implication operation. Hence $St_{Id}^{\otimes}(X)$ and $St_{Id}^{\oplus}(X)$ may be called \otimes -stabilizer and \oplus -stabilizer of X respectively. Further $St_{R}^{\otimes}(F)$ and $St_{R}^{\oplus}(F)$ are called fuzzy \otimes -stabilizer and fuzzy \oplus -stabilizer of fuzzy set F respectively.

Example 3.3. Let $M = \{0, a, b, c, d, 1\}$ be a set with Fig.1 as a partial order. Define two binary operations " \otimes " and " \rightarrow " on *M* as Table 1 and Table 2 respectively:



\otimes	0	а	b	С	d	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0 a b c d	0	a	d	0	d	а
b	0	d	С	С	0	b
c	0	0	С	С	0	С
d	0	d	0	0	0	d
1	0	a	b	С	d	1

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\rightarrow	0	a	b	С	d	1
0	1	1	1	1	1	1
а	С	1	b	С	b	1
b	d	a	1	b	a	1
С	а	a	1	1	a	1
d	b	1	1	b	1	1
0 a b c d 1	0	a	b	С	d	1



Then M is an IMTL-algebra. Define a fuzzy set F of M by

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } x = 1, \\ 0.7, & \text{for } x \in \{b, c\}, \\ 0.3, & \text{for } x \in \{0, a, d\}. \end{cases}$$

The fuzzy congruence relation *R* is generated by *F*. Then fuzzy \otimes -stabilizer and fuzzy \oplus -stabilizer of *F* are

$$St_{R}^{\otimes}(F) = \begin{cases} 0.9, \text{ for } x \in \{b, c, 1\}, \\ 0.4, \text{ for } x \in \{0, a, d\}. \end{cases}$$
$$St_{R}^{\oplus}(F) = \begin{cases} 0.9, \text{ for } x \in \{b, c, 1\}, \\ 0.4, \text{ for } x \in \{0, a, d\}. \end{cases}$$

In the following, we give some characterizations of fuzzy prime Boolean filters.

Theorem 3.4. Let R be a fuzzy congruence relation and F, G be two fuzzy sets of M. Then

(1) Denote $\chi_{\{1\}}(x) = \begin{cases} 1, \text{ for } x = 1 \\ 0, \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$, then

$$St_R^{\otimes}(\boldsymbol{\chi}_{\{1\}}) = R(1, \cdot);$$

(2) Denote
$$\chi_{\{0\}}(x) = \begin{cases} 1, \text{ for } x = 0\\ 0, \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$
, then

$$St_R^{\otimes}(\boldsymbol{\chi}_{\{0\}}) = M$$

(3) If $F \subseteq G$, then $St_R^{\otimes}(G) \subseteq St_R^{\otimes}(F)$ and $St_R^{\oplus}(G) \subseteq St_R^{\oplus}(F)$.

 $\begin{array}{l} (4) \quad St^{\otimes}_{R}(F \cup G) = St^{\otimes}_{R}(F) \cap St^{\otimes}_{R}(G), \quad St^{\oplus}_{R}(F \cup G) = \\ St^{\oplus}_{R}(F) \cap St^{\oplus}_{R}(G). \end{array}$

(5) $St_R^{\otimes}(F \cap G) = St_R^{\otimes}(F) \cup St_R^{\otimes}(G), \quad St_R^{\oplus}(F \cap G) = St_R^{\oplus}(F) \cup St_R^{\oplus}(G).$

(6) If we define a fuzzy set $\widetilde{F} : \widetilde{F}(x) = F(\neg x), x \in M$, then $St_R^{\oplus}(\widetilde{F}) = St_R^{\otimes}(F)$.

Proof. (1)
$$St_R^{\otimes}(\chi_{\{1\}})(x) = \bigwedge_{z \in M} \{\chi_{\{1\}}(z) \to R(z, z \otimes x)\}$$

$$= 1 \rightarrow R(1, 1 \otimes x) = R(1, x). \text{ Hence } St_R^{\otimes}(\chi_{\{1\}}) = R(1, \cdot).$$

$$(2) St_R^{\otimes}(\chi_{\{0\}})(x) = \bigwedge_{z \in M} \{\chi_{\{0\}}(z) \rightarrow R(z, z \otimes x)\} = 1 \rightarrow$$

 $R(0,0) = 1 \text{. Hence } St_R^{\otimes}(\chi_{\{0\}}) = M.$ $(3) St_R^{\otimes}(G) = \bigwedge_{z \in M} \{G(z) \to R(z, z \otimes x)\} \le \bigwedge_{z \in M} \{F(z) \to R(z, z \otimes x)\} = St_{\Theta}^{\otimes}(F).$

$$St_{R}^{\oplus}(G) = \bigwedge_{z \in M}^{K} \{G(z) \to R(z, z \oplus \neg x)\} \le \bigwedge_{z \in M} \{F(z) \to R(z, z \oplus \neg x)\} \le \sum_{z \in M}^{K} \{F(z) \to R(z, z \oplus \neg x)\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathsf{R}(z, z \oplus \neg x) &= \mathsf{St}_{R}^{\otimes}(F \cup G) \\ & (4) \quad \mathsf{St}_{R}^{\otimes}(F \cup G) = \bigwedge_{z \in M} \{F(x) \lor G(z) \to R(z, z \otimes x)\} \\ &= \bigwedge_{z \in M} \{F(z) \to R(z, z \otimes x)\} \bigwedge_{z \in M} \bigwedge_{z \in M} \{G(z) \to R(z, z \otimes x)\} \\ &= \mathsf{St}_{R}^{\otimes}(F) \cap \mathsf{St}_{R}^{\otimes}(G), \\ & \mathsf{St}_{R}^{\oplus}(F \cup G) = \bigwedge \{F(x) \lor G(z) \to R(z, z \oplus \neg x)\} = \end{aligned}$$

$$\bigwedge_{z \in M} \{F(z) \to R(z, z \oplus \neg x)\} \bigwedge_{z \in M} \{G(z) \to R(z, z \oplus \neg x)\}$$

 $= St_{R}^{\oplus}(F) \cap St_{R}^{\oplus}(G).$ (5) The proof of (5) is similar to (4).

(6) By Proposition 2.14, we have

$$St_R^{\oplus}(\widetilde{F})(x) = \bigwedge_{z \in M} \{\widetilde{F}(z) \to R(z, z \oplus \neg x)\}$$

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$$= \bigwedge_{z \in M} \{F(\neg z) \to R(\neg z, \neg(z \oplus \neg x))\}$$
$$= \bigwedge_{z \in M} \{F(\neg z) \to R(\neg z, \neg z \otimes x))\}$$
$$= \bigwedge_{u = \neg z, z \in M} \{F(u) \to R(u, u \otimes x))\}$$
$$= \bigwedge_{u \in M} \{F(u) \to R(u, u \otimes x))\} = St_R^{\otimes}(F)(x).$$

Theorem 3.5. Let *F* be a fuzzy set of *M*. Then $St_R^{\otimes}(F)$ and $St_R^{\oplus}(F)$ are fuzzy filters of *M*.

Proof. (1) $St_R^{\otimes}(F)(1) = \bigwedge_{z \in M} \{F(z) \to R(z, z \otimes 1)\} =$ $\bigwedge_{z \in M} \{F(z) \to R(z, z)\} = 1 \ge St_R^{\otimes}(F)(x);$

(2) For $x \le y$, by Propositions 2.11 and 2.12 we have

$$St_{R}^{\otimes}(F)(x) = \bigwedge_{z \in M} \{F(z) \to R(z, z \otimes x)\}$$
$$= \bigwedge_{z \in M} \{F(z) \to R(z \leftrightarrow z \otimes x, 1)\}$$
$$\leq \bigwedge_{z \in M} \{F(z) \to R(z \leftrightarrow z \otimes y, 1)\}$$
$$\leq \bigwedge_{z \in M} \{F(z) \to R(z, z \otimes y)\} = St_{R}^{\otimes}(F)(y);$$

(3) $\forall x, y, z \in M$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (z \to z \otimes x) \otimes (z \to z \otimes y) \to (z \to z \otimes x \otimes y) \\ &= (z \to z \otimes x) \to [(z \to z \otimes y) \to (z \to z \otimes x \otimes y)] \\ &= (z \to z \otimes x) \to [z \otimes (z \to z \otimes y) \to z \otimes x \otimes y] \\ &= z \otimes (z \to z \otimes x) \otimes (z \to z \otimes y) \to z \otimes x \otimes y \\ &\ge z \otimes x \otimes (z \to z \otimes y) \to z \otimes x \otimes y \\ &\ge x \otimes z \otimes y \to z \otimes x \otimes y = 1. \end{aligned}$$

This means that $(z \to z \otimes x) \otimes (z \to z \otimes y) \leq (z \to z \otimes x \otimes y)$. Then by Propositions 2.11 and 2.12 we have

$$\begin{split} St_{R}^{\otimes}(F)(x\otimes y) &= \bigwedge_{z\in M} \{F(z) \to R(z\leftrightarrow z\otimes x\otimes y, 1)\} \\ &= \bigwedge_{z\in M} \{F(z) \to R(z\to z\otimes x\otimes y, 1)\} \\ &\geq \bigwedge_{z\in M} \{F(z) \to R(z\to z\otimes x, 1) \land R(z\to z\otimes y, 1)\} \\ &= \bigwedge_{z\in M} \{F(z) \to R(z\to z\otimes x, 1)\} \bigwedge \bigwedge_{z\in M} \{F(z) \to R(z\to z\otimes y, 1)\} \\ &= \bigwedge_{z\in M} \{F(z) \to R(z, z\otimes x)\} \bigwedge \bigwedge_{z\in M} \{F(z) \to R(z, z\otimes y)\} \\ &= St_{R}^{\otimes}(F)(x) \land St_{R}^{\otimes}(F)(y). \end{split}$$

Hence $St_R^{\otimes}(F)$ is a fuzzy filter of M. The proof of that $St_R^{\oplus}(F)$ is a fuzzy filter of M is similar.

4 Stabilizer of a fuzzy set with respect to another fuzzy set

Definition 4.1. Let *F*, *G* be two fuzzy sets of *M*. The \lor -stabilizer of *F* with respect to *G* is defined by:

$$St^{\vee}(F,G)(x) = \bigwedge_{z \in M} [F(z) \to G(z \lor x)]$$

Example 4.2. The IMTL-algebra M is defined as in Example 3.3. Given two fuzzy sets F and G of M as follows:

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0.9, \text{ for } x = 1, \\ 0.8, \text{ for } x \in \{b, c\}, \\ 0.4, \text{ for } x \in \{0, a, d\}. \end{cases}$$
$$G(x) = \begin{cases} 0.9, \text{ for } x \in \{b, c, 1\}, \\ 0.3, \text{ for } x \in \{0, a, d\}. \end{cases}$$

Then the \lor -stabilizer of *F* with respect to *G* is

$$St^{\vee}(F,G)(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } x \in \{b,c,1\}, \\ 0.9, & \text{for } x \in \{0,a,d\}. \end{cases}$$

In the above computing, the implication operator \rightarrow is taken as Lukasiewicz implication operator, i.e., $a \rightarrow b = (1 - a + b) \wedge 1$.

Theorem 4.3. (1) If $St^{\vee}(F, G) = M$ then $F \subseteq G$. Conversely, if $F \subseteq G$ and F is a fuzzy filter then $St^{\vee}(F, G) = M$, particularly $St^{\vee}(F, F) = M$;

(2) If *G* is a fuzzy filter, then $G \subseteq St^{\vee}(F, G)$; (3) $St^{\vee}(\chi_{\{0\}}, G) = G$; (4) If $G \subseteq St^{\vee}(\chi_{\{0\}}, G) = G$;

(4) If G is a fuzzy filter and G(1) = 1, then $St^{\vee}(\chi_{\{1\}}, G) = M$;

(5) If $F_1 \subseteq F_2$ and $G_1 \subseteq G_2$, then $St^{\vee}(F_2, G_1) \subseteq St^{\vee}(F_1, G_2)$;

(6)
$$St^{\vee}(F,\bigcap_{i\in\Gamma}G_i) = \bigcap_{i\in\Gamma}St^{\vee}(F,G_i);$$

(7) $St^{\vee}(\bigcup_{i\in\Gamma}F_i,G) = \bigcap_{i\in\Gamma}St^{\vee}(F_i,G).$
Proof. (1) Since $St^{\vee}(F,G) = M$, we have $\forall x \in M$,

$$St^{\vee}(F,G)(x) = \bigwedge_{z \in M} [F(z) \to G(z \lor x)] = 1.$$

Hence $\forall z \in M, F(z) \to G(z \lor x) = 1$, particularly, $F(x) \to G(x \lor x) = F(x) \to G(x) = 1$. So $F(x) \le G(x)$ for all $x \in M$. That is $F \subseteq G$.

Conversely, let $F \subseteq G$. Then

$$St^{\vee}(F,G)(x) = \bigwedge_{z \in M} [F(z) \to G(z \lor x)]$$
$$\geq \bigwedge_{z \in M} [F(z \lor x) \to G(z \lor x)] = 1.$$

Hence $St^{\vee}(F, G) = M$.

(2) Since $\forall z \in M$, $F(z) \to G(z \lor x) \ge G(z \lor x) \ge G(x)$, we obtain

$$St^{\vee}(F,G)(x) = \bigwedge_{z \in M} [F(z) \to G(z \lor x)] \ge G(x).$$

Therefore $G \subseteq St^{\vee}(F, G)$. (3) For any $x \in M$, $St^{\vee}(\chi_{\{0\}}, G)(x) = \bigwedge_{z \in M} [\chi_{\{0\}}(z) \to G(z \lor x)] = G(x)$. Hence $St^{\vee}(\chi_{\{0\}}, G) = G$. (4) For any $x \in M$, $St^{\vee}(\chi_{\{1\}}, G)(x) = \bigwedge_{z \in M} [\chi_{\{1\}}(z) \to G(z \lor x)] = 1$. Hence $St^{\vee}(\chi_{\{1\}}, G) = M$.

(5) For any $x \in M$, $St^{\vee}(F_2, G_1)(x) = \bigwedge_{z \in M} [F_2(z) \rightarrow$

 $G_1(z \lor x)] \le \bigwedge_{z \in M} [F_1(z) \to G_2(z \lor x)].$ This means that $St^{\lor}(F_2, G_1) \subseteq St^{\lor}(F_1, G_2).$ (6) For any $x \in M$,

$$St^{\vee}(F,\bigcap_{i\in\Gamma}G_i)(x) = \bigwedge_{z\in M} [F(z) \to \bigwedge_{i\in\Gamma}G_i(z\vee x)]$$
$$= \bigwedge_{z\in M} \bigwedge_{i\in\Gamma} [F(z) \to G_i(z\vee x)]$$
$$= \bigwedge_{i\in\Gamma} \bigwedge_{z\in M} [F(z) \to G_i(z\vee x)] = \bigwedge_{i\in\Gamma} St^{\vee}(F,G_i)(x).$$

Therefore (6) holds.

(7) For any $x \in M$,

$$St^{\vee}(\bigcup_{i\in\Gamma}F_i,G)(x) = \bigwedge_{z\in M} [\bigvee_{i\in\Gamma}F_i(z) \to G(z \lor x)]$$
$$= \bigwedge_{z\in M} \bigwedge_{i\in\Gamma} [F_i(z) \to G(z \lor x)]$$
$$= \bigwedge_{i\in\Gamma} \bigwedge_{z\in M} [F_i(z) \to G(z \lor x)] = \bigwedge_{i\in\Gamma} St^{\vee}(F_i,G)(x)$$

Therefore (7) holds.

Theorem 4.4. If G is a fuzzy filter then $St^{\vee}(F, G)$ is a fuzzy filter. If G is also a fuzzy prime filter then $St^{\vee}(F, G)$ is a fuzzy prime filter.

Proof. Suppose that *G* is a fuzzy filter. Then

(1)
$$St^{\vee}(F,G)(1) = \bigwedge_{z \in M} [F(z) \to G(z \lor 1)]$$

$$= \bigwedge_{z \in M} [F(z) \to G(1)] \ge \bigwedge_{z \in M} [F(z) \to G(z \lor x)]$$

$$= St^{\vee}(F,G)(x).$$
(2) Let $x \in Y$ we have

(2) Let $x \le y$, we have

$$St^{\vee}(F,G)(x) = \bigwedge_{z \in M} [F(z) \to G(z \lor x)]$$

$$\leq \bigwedge_{z \in M} [F(z) \to G(z \lor y)] = St^{\vee}(F,G)(y).$$

$$(3) St^{\vee}(F,G)(x\otimes y) = \bigwedge_{z\in M} [F(z) \to G(z \lor (x\otimes y))]$$

$$\geq \bigwedge_{z\in M} [F(z) \to G((z\lor x)\otimes (z\lor y))]$$

$$\geq \bigwedge_{z\in M} [F(z) \to G(z\lor x) \land G(z\lor y)]$$

$$= \bigwedge_{z\in M} [(F(z) \to G(z\lor x)) \land (F(z) \to G(z\lor y))]$$

$$= \bigwedge_{z\in M} [F(z) \to G(z\lor x)] \bigwedge \bigwedge_{z\in M} [F(z) \to G(z\lor y)]$$

$$= St^{\vee}(F,G)(x) \land St^{\vee}(F,G)(y).$$

This shows that $St^{\vee}(F, G)$ is a fuzzy filter. If *G* is also a fuzzy prime filter, then

$$(4) St^{\vee}(F,G)(x \vee y) = \bigwedge_{z \in M} [F(z) \to G(z \vee x \vee y)]$$
$$= \bigwedge_{z \in M} [F(z) \to G((z \vee x) \vee (z \vee y))]$$
$$\ge \bigwedge_{z \in M} [F(z) \to G(z \vee x) \vee G(z \vee y)]$$
$$= \bigwedge_{z \in M} [(F(x) \to G(z \vee x)) \vee (F(x) \to G(z \vee y))]$$
$$\ge \bigwedge_{z \in M} [F(z) \to G(z \vee x)] \bigvee \bigwedge_{z \in M} [F(z) \to G(z \vee y)]$$
$$= St^{\vee}(F,G)(x) \vee St^{\vee}(F,G)(y).$$

This shows that $St^{\vee}(F, G)$ is a fuzzy prime filter.

Definition 4.5. Let *F*, *G* be two fuzzy filters. For fuzzy set $F \otimes G$: $(F \otimes G)(x) = F(x) \otimes G(x), \forall x \in M$, the generated fuzzy filter of $F \otimes G$ is denoted by $F \otimes G$, i.e., $\forall x \in M$,

$$(F \,\widetilde{\otimes}\, G)(x) = \bigvee \{\bigwedge_{i=1}^m (F(a_i) \otimes G(a_i)) \,|\, x \ge a_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_m\}.$$

Theorem 4.6. Let F, G, H be three fuzzy filters of M. Then $F \otimes G \subseteq H$ if and only if $F \subseteq St^{\vee}(G, H)$.

Proof. Suppose that $F \otimes G \subseteq H$. Then $\forall x \in M, F(x) \otimes G(x) \leq (F \otimes G)(x) \leq H(x)$. Hence

$$St^{\vee}(G,H)(x) = \bigwedge_{z \in M} [G(z) \to H(z \lor x)]$$

$$\geq \bigwedge_{z \in M} [G(z \lor x) \to H(z \lor x)]$$

$$\geq \bigwedge_{z \in M} [G(z \lor x) \to F(z \lor x) \otimes G(z \lor x)]$$

$$\geq \bigwedge_{z \in M} F(z \lor x) \geq F(x).$$

This means that $F \subseteq St^{\vee}(G, H)$.



Conversely, suppose that $F \subseteq St^{\vee}(G, H)$. Then $\forall x \in M$, $F(x) \leq St^{\vee}(G, H)(x) = \bigwedge_{z \in M} [G(z) \to H(z \lor x)]$. Hence $F(x) \leq G(x) \to H(x \lor x) = G(x) \to H(x)$. It follows that $F(x) \otimes G(x) \leq H(x)$ for all $x \in M$. Thus

$$(F \otimes G)(x) = \bigvee \{\bigwedge_{i=1}^{m} (F(a_i) \otimes G(a_i)) | x \ge a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_m\}$$
$$\leq \bigvee \{\bigwedge_{i=1}^{m} (H(a_i) | x \ge a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_m\}$$
$$= \bigvee \{(H(a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_m) | x \ge a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_m\}$$
$$< H(x).$$

This shows that $F \otimes G \subseteq H$.

On the set $\mathscr{F}(M)$, if we denote $F \leq G$ if and only if $F \subseteq G$, $F \wedge G = F \cap G$, $F \vee G = \langle F \cup G \rangle$, then $(\mathscr{F}(M), \leq, \wedge, \vee)$ is a bounded distributive lattice (see [19]). By Theorem 4.6, we have the following conclusion.

Theorem 4.7. $(\mathscr{F}(M), \leq, \wedge, \vee, \widetilde{\otimes}, St^{\vee}(\cdot, \cdot))$ is a residuated lattice.

5 Conclusion

In this paper, we introduced two types of fuzzy stabilizers $St_R^{\otimes}(F)$ and $St_R^{\oplus}(F)$ of a fuzzy set *F* and the stabilizer $St^{\vee}(F, G)$ of *F* with respect to *G* in an IMTL-algebra. We investigated some properties of the stabilizers and shows that $St_R^{\otimes}(F)$, $St_R^{\oplus}(F)$ and $St^{\vee}(F, G)$ are fuzzy filters of *M*. By introducing the $\tilde{\otimes}$ operation of two fuzzy filters, we prove that $\tilde{\otimes}$ and $St^{\vee}(\cdot, \cdot)$ form an adjoint pair and the set of all fuzzy filters $\mathscr{F}(M)$ is a residuated lattice.

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