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# Some remarks on interval valued anti fuzzy ideals of near-rings

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, some characterizations of interval valued anti fuzzy ideals of near-ring and fuzzy relations on near-rings are discussed. Also, homomorphism and anti-homomorphism of interval valued anti fuzzy ideals in near-rings are studied.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The study concept of fuzzy set was first initiated by Zadeh[14] in 1965. After a decade he also introduced the notion of interval valued fuzzy subset[15] (in short i-v fuzzy subset) in 1975. In [2] Biswas first discussed the concept of anti fuzzy subgroups. Abou-Zaid<sup>[1]</sup> proposed the concept of fuzzy subnear-rings and ideals of nearring. The concept of fuzzy subgroups first introduced by Rosenfeld[9]. Kim et al.[8] initiated the notion of anti fuzzy ideals of near-rings. The idea of anti fuzzy ideals of  $\Gamma$ -near-rings was studied by Srinivas et al. [10]. In [7], the notion of fuzzy ideals in near-rings was introduced by Kim and Kim. Davvaz<sup>[4]</sup> has discussed the concept of fuzzy ideals of near-rings with interval valued membership functions. Jianming Zhan et al.<sup>[6]</sup> initiated the concept of interval valued fuzzy ideals of hypernear-rings. The concept of interval valued fuzzy quasi-ideals of semigroups was first introduced by Thillaigovindan and Chinnadurai in [11]. Thillaigovindan et al. [12] have introduced the notion of interval valued anti fuzzy ideals in near-rings. Jun et al.[13] have discussed some basic properties of fuzzy *h*-ideals in hemiring. In this paper, some characterizations of interval valued anti fuzzy ideals of near-ring and fuzzy relations on near-rings are discussed. Homomorphism and anti-homomorphism of interval valued anti fuzzy ideals in near-rings are also studied.

#### 2. Preliminaries

Through out this paper R denotes left near-ring unless otherwise specified. In this section we recall some basic definitions and results.

A near-ring is an algebraic system  $(R, +, \cdot)$  consisting of a non empty set R together with two binary operations called + and  $\cdot$  such that (R, +) is a group not necessarily abelian and  $(R, \cdot)$  is a semigroup connected by the distributive law:  $x \cdot$  $(y+z) = x \cdot y + x \cdot z$  valid for all  $x, y, z \in R$ . We use the word 'near-ring 'to mean a 'left near-ring'. We denote xy instead of  $x \cdot y$ . An ideal I of a near-ring R is the subset of R such that (i) (I, +) is a normal subgroup of (R, +), (ii)  $RI \subseteq I$ , (iii)  $(x+a)y - xy \in I$ , for any  $a \in I$  and  $x, y \in R$ . Note that I is a left ideal if it satisfies (i) and (ii), and a right ideal if it satisfies (i) and (iii).

**Definition 2.1.** Let I be an ideal of R. For each a + I, b + I in the factor group R/I, we define (a+I) + (b+I) = (a+b) + I and (a+I)(b+I) = ab + I. Then R/Iis a near-ring which we call the residue class near-ring of R with respect to I.

Notation 2.2 ([11, 5]). By an interval number  $\overline{a}$ , we mean an interval  $[a^-, a^+]$ such that  $0 \le a^- \le a^+ \le 1$  where  $a^-$  and  $a^+$  are the lower and upper limits of  $\overline{a}$  respectively. The set of all closed subintervals of [0, 1] is denoted by D[0, 1]. We also identify the interval [a, a] by the number  $a \in [0, 1]$ . For any interval numbers  $\overline{a}_j = [a_j^-, a_j^+], \overline{b}_j = [b_j^-, b_j^+] \in D[0, 1], j \in J$  an index set we define

$$\max^{i} \{\overline{a}_{j}, b_{j}\} = [\max^{i} \{a_{j}^{-}, b_{j}^{-}\}, \max^{i} \{a_{j}^{+}, b_{j}^{+}\}],$$
$$\min^{i} \{\overline{a}_{j}, \overline{b}_{j}\} = [\min^{i} \{a_{j}^{-}, b_{j}^{-}\}, \min^{i} \{a_{j}^{+}, b_{j}^{+}\}],$$
$$\inf^{i} \overline{a}_{j} = \left[\inf_{j \in I} a_{j}^{-}, \inf_{j \in I} a_{j}^{+}\right], \sup^{i} \overline{a}_{j} = \left[\sup_{j \in I} a_{j}^{-}, \sup_{j \in I} a_{j}^{+}\right]$$

and put

- $\begin{array}{ll} (1) \ \overline{a} \leq \overline{b} \Longleftrightarrow a^- \leq b^- \ \text{and} \ a^+ \leq b^+, \\ (2) \ \overline{a} = \overline{b} \Longleftrightarrow a^- = b^- \ \text{and} \ a^+ = b^+, \end{array}$
- (3)  $\overline{a} < \overline{b} \iff \overline{a} \le \overline{b}$  and  $\overline{a} \ne \overline{b}$
- (4)  $k\overline{a} = [ka^-, ka^+]$ , for  $0 \le k \le 1$ .

**Definition 2.3** ([11]). Let X be a non-empty set. A mapping  $\overline{\mu} : X \to D[0,1]$  is called an i-v fuzzy subset of X. For all  $x \in X$ ,  $\overline{\mu}(x) = [\mu^{-}(x), \mu^{+}(x)]$ , where  $\mu^{-}$ and  $\mu^+$  are fuzzy subsets of X such that  $\mu^-(x) \leq \mu^+(x)$ . Thus  $\overline{\mu}(x)$  is an interval(a closed subset of [0,1] and not a number from the interval [0,1] as in the case of a fuzzy set.

Let  $\overline{\mu}, \overline{\nu}$  be i-v fuzzy subsets of X. The following are defined by

(1)  $\overline{\mu} \leq \overline{\nu} \Leftrightarrow \overline{\mu}(x) \leq \overline{\nu}(x)$ . (2)  $\overline{\mu} = \overline{\nu} \Leftrightarrow \overline{\mu}(x) = \overline{\nu}(x).$ (3)  $(\overline{\mu} \cup \overline{\nu})(x) = \max^i \{\overline{\mu}(x), \overline{\nu}(x)\}.$  (4)  $(\overline{\mu} \cap \overline{\nu})(x) = \min^i \{\overline{\mu}(x), \overline{\nu}(x)\}.$ (5)  $\overline{\mu}^{c}(x) = \overline{1} - \overline{\mu}(x) = [1 - \mu^{+}(x), 1 - \mu^{-}(x)].$ 

**Definition 2.4** ([11]). Let  $\overline{\mu}$  be an i-v fuzzy subset of X and  $[t_1, t_2] \in D[0, 1]$ . Then the set

 $\overline{U}(\overline{\mu}:[t_1,t_2]) = \{x \in X \mid \overline{\mu}(x) \ge [t_1,t_2]\}, \text{ is called the upper level set of } \overline{\mu} \text{ and }$  $\overline{L}(\overline{\mu}:[t_1,t_2]) = \{x \in X | \ \overline{\mu}(x) \le [t_1,t_2]\}, \text{ is called the lower level set of } \overline{\mu}.$ 

**Definition 2.5** ([12]). An i-v fuzzy subset  $\overline{\mu}$  of a near-ring R is called an i-v anti fuzzy subnear-ring of R if

(1)  $\overline{\mu}(x-y) \le \max^i \{\overline{\mu}(x), \overline{\mu}(y)\},\$ 

(2)  $\overline{\mu}(xy) \leq \max^{i} \{\overline{\mu}(x), \overline{\mu}(y)\}, \text{ for all } x, y \in R.$ 

**Definition 2.6** ([12]). An i-v fuzzy subset  $\overline{\mu}$  of a near-ring R is called an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of R if  $\overline{\mu}$  is an i-v anti fuzzy subnear-ring of R and

- (3)  $\overline{\mu}(y+x-y) \le \overline{\mu}(x)$ ,
- (4)  $\overline{\mu}(xy) \leq \overline{\mu}(y)$ ,
- (5)  $\overline{\mu}((x+z)y xy) \le \overline{\mu}(z)$  for any  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Note that  $\overline{\mu}$  is an i-v anti fuzzy left ideal of R if it satisfies (1), (2), (3) and (4), and  $\overline{\mu}$  is an i-v anti fuzzy right ideal of R if it satisfies (1), (2), (3) and (5).

### 3. CHARACTERIZATIONS OF INTERVAL VALUED ANTI FUZZY IDEALS

In this section we first define the direct product of i-v anti fuzzy ideals of nearrings and provide an example. It is established that the anti direct product of i-v anti fuzzy ideals of near-rings is also an i-v anti fuzzy ideals. We obtain the necessary and sufficient condition for the strongest i-v anti fuzzy relation on a near-ring R with respect to an i-v fuzzy subset  $\overline{\mu}$  to be an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of R.

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $\overline{\mu}_i$  be an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of near-ring  $R_i$ , for i = 1, 2, ..., n. Then the anti direct product of  $\overline{\mu}_i$ , (i = 1, 2, ..., n) is a function  $\overline{\mu}_1 \times \overline{\mu}_2 \times ... \times \overline{\mu}_n$ :  $R_1 \times R_2 \times ... \times R_n \longrightarrow D[0, 1]$  defined by  $\overline{\mu}_1 \times \overline{\mu}_2 \times ... \times \overline{\mu}_n(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) = \max^i \{\overline{\mu}_1(x_1), \overline{\mu}_2(x_2), ..., \overline{\mu}_n(x_n)\}.$ 

**Example 3.2.** Let  $R_1, R_2, R_3 = \{0, 1, 2\}$ . Addition is modulo 3 and  $\cdot_{R_1}, \cdot_{R_2}$  and  $\cdot_{R_3}$  be defined as follows:

+	0	1	2	$\cdot_{R_1}$	0	1	2	$\cdot_{R_2}$	0	1	2	$\cdot R_3$	0	1	2
0	0	1	2	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	2	0	1	0	1	2	1	0	1	2	1	0	1	2
2	2	0	1	2	0	1	2	2	0	1	2	2	0	2	1

Then clearly,  $(R_1, +, \cdot_{R_1}), (R_2, +, \cdot_{R_2})$  and  $(R_3, +, \cdot_{R_3})$  are left near-rings. Let  $\overline{\mu}_1 : R_1 \to D[0, 1], \overline{\mu}_2 : R_2 \to D[0, 1]$  and  $\overline{\mu}_3 : R_3 \to D[0, 1]$  be i-v fuzzy subsets of  $R_1, R_2$  and  $R_3$ , respectively defined by,

 $\overline{\mu}_1(0) = [0.1, 0.2], \ \overline{\mu}_1(1) = [0.5, 0.6] = \overline{\mu}_1(2), \ \overline{\mu}_1(1) = [0.7, 0.6] = \overline{\mu}_1(1), \ \overline{\mu}$ 

 $\overline{\mu}_2(0) = [0.3, 0.4], \ \overline{\mu}_2(1) = [0.7, 0.8] = \overline{\mu}_2(2),$ 

 $\overline{\mu}_3(0) = [0.5, 0.6], \ \overline{\mu}_3(1) = [0.8, 0.9] = \overline{\mu}_3(2).$ 

Clearly,  $\mu_1, \mu_2$  and  $\mu_3$  are i-v anti fuzzy ideals of  $R_1, R_2$  and  $R_3$ .

Let  $R = R_1 \times R_2 \times R_3$  and  $\overline{\mu} = \overline{\mu}_1 \times \overline{\mu}_2 \times \overline{\mu}_3$ . Let  $\overline{\mu} : R \to D[0, 1]$  defined by  $\overline{\mu}(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \max^i \{\overline{\mu}_1(x_1), \overline{\mu}_2(x_2), \overline{\mu}_3(x_3)\}$ , for all  $x_1 \in R_1, x_2 \in R_2$  and  $x_3 \in R_3$ 463 is an anti direct product of  $\mu$  as shown below.

$\overline{\mu}(0,0,0) = [0.5,0.6]$	$\overline{\mu}(0,0,1) = [0.8,0.9]$	$\overline{\mu}(0,0,2) = [0.8,0.9]$
$\overline{\mu}(0,1,0) = [0.7,0.8]$	$\overline{\mu}(0,1,1) = [0.8,0.9]$	$\overline{\mu}(0,1,2) = [0.8,0.9]$
$\overline{\mu}(0,2,0) = [0.7,0.8]$	$\overline{\mu}(0,2,1) = [0.7,0.8]$	$\overline{\mu}(0,2,2) = [0.8,0.9]$
$\overline{\mu}(1,0,0) = [0.5,0.6]$	$\overline{\mu}(1,0,1) = [0.8,0.9]$	$\overline{\mu}(1,0,2) = [0.8,0.9]$
$\overline{\mu}(1,1,0) = [0.7,0.8]$	$\overline{\mu}(1,1,1) = [0.8,0.9]$	$\overline{\mu}(1,1,2) = [0.8,0.9]$
$\overline{\mu}(1,2,0) = [0.8,0.9]$	$\overline{\mu}(1,2,1) = [0.8,0.9]$	$\overline{\mu}(1,2,2) = [0.8,0.9]$
$\overline{\mu}(2,0,0) = [0.5,0.6]$	$\overline{\mu}(2,0,1) = [0.8,0.9]$	$\overline{\mu}(2,0,2) = [0.8,0.9]$
$\overline{\mu}(2,1,0) = [0.7,0.8]$	$\overline{\mu}(2,1,1) = [0.8,0.9]$	$\overline{\mu}(2,1,2) = [0.8,0.9]$
$\overline{\mu}(2,2,0) = [0.7,0.8]$	$\overline{\mu}(2,2,1) = [0.8,0.9]$	$\overline{\mu}(2,2,2) = [0.8,0.9].$

**Definition 3.3.** Let  $\overline{\mu}$  be an i-v fuzzy subset in a set R, the strongest i-v anti fuzzy relation on R, that is an i-v anti fuzzy relation  $\overline{\gamma}$  with respect to  $\overline{\mu}$  given by  $\overline{\gamma}(x,y) = \max^i \{\overline{\mu}(x), \overline{\mu}(y)\}$  for all  $x, y \in R$ .

**Definition 3.4** ([4]). Let f be a mapping from a set R to a set S. Let  $\overline{\mu}$  be an i-v fuzzy subset of R and  $\overline{\lambda}$  be an i-v fuzzy subset of S. Then, the pre-image  $f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})$  is an i-v fuzzy subset of R defined by  $f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})(x) = \overline{\lambda}(f(x))$ , for all  $x \in R$ . The image  $f(\overline{\mu})$  is an i-v fuzzy subset of S defined by

$$f(\overline{\mu})(x) = \begin{cases} \sup_{y \in f^{-1}(x)} i\overline{\mu}(y) & \text{if } f^{-1}(x) \neq \emptyset \\ y \in f^{-1}(x) & \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The anti-image  $f_{-}(\overline{\mu})$  is an i-v fuzzy subset of S defined by

$$f_{-}(\overline{\mu})(x) = \begin{cases} \inf_{y \in f^{-1}(x)} {}^{i}\overline{\mu}(y) & \text{if } f^{-1}(x) \neq \emptyset \\ 1 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

**Definition 3.5** ([7]). Let R and S be near-rings. A map  $f : R \to S$  is called a (near-ring) homomorphism if f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y) and f(xy) = f(x)f(y), for all  $x, y \in R$ .

**Definition 3.6** ([3]). Let R and S be near-rings. A map  $f : R \to S$  is called a (near-ring) anti-homomorphism if f(x+y) = f(y) + f(x) and f(xy) = f(y)f(x), for all  $x, y \in R$ .

**Theorem 3.7.** The anti direct product of i-v anti fuzzy ideals of near-rings is i-v anti fuzzy ideals of a near-ring.

*Proof.* Let  $\overline{\mu}_i$  be i-v anti fuzzy ideals of near-rings  $R_i$ , i=1,2,...,n. Let  $x = (x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$  $y = (y_1, y_2, ..., y_n)$  and  $z = (z_1, z_2, ..., z_n) \in R_1 \times R_2 \times ... \times R_n$  and let  $\overline{\mu}_1 \times \overline{\mu}_2 \times ... \times \overline{\mu}_n = C_1 \times C_2 \times ... \times C_n$ 464

# $\overline{\mu}$ . Then

$$\begin{split} \overline{\mu}(x-y) &= \overline{\mu}((x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) - (y_1, y_2, ..., y_n)) \\ &= \overline{\mu}(x_1 - y_1, x_2 - y_2, ..., x_n - y_n) \\ &= \max^i \{\overline{\mu}_1(x_1 - y_1), \overline{\mu}_2(x_2 - y_2), ..., \overline{\mu}_n(x_n - y_n)\} \\ &\leq \max^i \{\max^i \{\overline{\mu}_1(x_1), \overline{\mu}_1(y_1)\}, \max^i \{\overline{\mu}_2(x_2), \overline{\mu}_2(y_2)\}, ..., \\ &\qquad \max^i \{\overline{\mu}_n(x_n), \overline{\mu}_n(y_n)\}\} \\ &= \max^i \{\max^i \{\overline{\mu}_1(x_1), \overline{\mu}_2(x_2), ..., \overline{\mu}_n(x_n), \}, \max^i \{\overline{\mu}_1(y_1), \overline{\mu}_2(y_2), ..., \\ &\qquad \overline{\mu}_n(y_n), \}\} \\ &= \max^i \{\overline{\mu}_1 \times \overline{\mu}_2 \times, ..., \overline{\mu}_n(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n), \overline{\mu}_1 \times \overline{\mu}_2 \times, ..., \overline{\mu}_n(y_1, y_2, ..., y_n)\} \\ &= \max^i \{\overline{\mu}(x), \overline{\mu}(y)\}. \end{split}$$

Similarly,  $\overline{\mu}(xy) \leq \max^i \{\overline{\mu}(x), \overline{\mu}(y)\}.$ 

$$\overline{\mu}(y+x-y) = \overline{\mu}((y_1, y_2, ..., y_n) + (x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) - (y_1, y_2, ..., y_n))$$

$$= \overline{\mu}(y_1 + x_1 - y_1, y_2 + x_2 - y_2, ..., y_n + x_n - y_n)$$

$$= \max^i \{\overline{\mu}_1(y_1 + x_1 - y_1), \overline{\mu}_2(y_2 + x_2 - y_2), ..., \overline{\mu}_n(y_n + x_n - y_n)\}$$

$$\leq \max^i \{\overline{\mu}_1(x_1), \overline{\mu}_2(x_2), ..., \overline{\mu}_n(x_n)\}$$

$$= \overline{\mu}_1 \times \overline{\mu}_2 \times, ..., \overline{\mu}_n(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$$

$$= \overline{\mu}(x).$$

$$\overline{\mu}(xy) = \overline{\mu}((x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)(y_1, y_2, ..., y_n)) 
= \overline{\mu}(x_1y_1, x_2y_2, ..., x_ny_n) 
= \max^i \{\overline{\mu}_1(x_1y_1), \overline{\mu}_2(x_2y_2), ..., \overline{\mu}_n(x_ny_n)\} 
\leq \max^i \{\overline{\mu}_1(y_1), \overline{\mu}_2(y_2), ..., \overline{\mu}_n(y_n)\} 
= \overline{\mu}_1 \times \overline{\mu}_2 \times, ..., \overline{\mu}_n(y_1, y_2, ..., y_n) 
= \overline{\mu}(y).$$

$$\begin{split} \overline{\mu}((x+z)y-xy) &= \overline{\mu}(((x_1,x_2,...,x_n)+(z_1,z_2,...,z_n))(y_1,y_2,...,y_n) - & (x_1,x_2,...,x_n)(y_1,y_2,...,y_n)) \\ &= \overline{\mu}(((x_1+z_1)y_1-x_1y_1),((x_2+z_2)y_2-x_2y_2),..., & ((x_n+z_n)y_n-x_ny_n))) \\ &= \max^i \{\overline{\mu}_1((x_1+z_1)y_1-x_1y_1),\overline{\mu}_2((x_2+z_2)y_2-x_2y_2),..., & \overline{\mu}_n((x_n+z_n)y_n-x_ny_n)\} \\ &\leq \max^i \{\overline{\mu}_1(z_1),\overline{\mu}_2(z_2),...,\overline{\mu}_n(z_n)\} = \overline{\mu}(z). \end{split}$$

Therefore  $\overline{\mu}$  is an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of R.

**Theorem 3.8.** Let  $\overline{\mu}$  be an *i*-v fuzzy subset of a near-ring R and  $\overline{\gamma}$  be the strongest *i*-v anti fuzzy relation of R with respect to  $\overline{\mu}$ . Then  $\overline{\mu}$  is an *i*-v anti fuzzy ideal of R if and only if  $\overline{\gamma}$  is an *i*-v anti fuzzy ideal of  $R \times R$ .

*Proof.* Let us assume that  $\overline{\mu}$  is an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of R. Let  $x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2, z_1, z_2 \in R$ . Then for  $x = (x_1, x_2), y = (y_1, y_2), z = (z_1, z_2) \in R \times R$ , we have

$$\begin{split} \overline{\gamma}(x-y) &= \overline{\gamma}((x_1, x_2) - (y_1, y_2)) \\ &= \overline{\gamma}(x_1 - y_1, x_2 - y_2) \\ &= \max^i \{\overline{\mu}(x_1 - y_1), \overline{\mu}(x_2 - y_2)\} \\ &\leq \max^i \{\max^i \{\overline{\mu}(x_1), \overline{\mu}(y_1)\}, \max^i \{\overline{\mu}(x_2), \overline{\mu}(y_2)\}\} \\ &= \max^i \{\max^i \{\overline{\mu}(x_1), \overline{\mu}(x_2)\}, \max^i \{\overline{\mu}(y_1), \overline{\mu}(y_2)\}\} \\ &= \max^i \{\overline{\gamma}(x_1, x_2), \overline{\gamma}(y_1, y_2)\} \\ &= \max^i \{\overline{\gamma}(x), \overline{\gamma}(y)\}. \end{split}$$

Similarly,  $\overline{\gamma}(xy) \leq \max^i \{\overline{\gamma}(x), \overline{\gamma}(y)\}.$ 

$$\begin{split} \overline{\gamma}(y+x-y) &= \overline{\gamma}((y_1,y_2) + (x_1,x_2) - (y_1,y_2)) \\ &= \overline{\gamma}(y_1+x_1 - y_1,y_2 + x_2 - y_2) \\ &= \max^i \{\overline{\mu}(y_1+x_1 - y_1), \overline{\mu}(y_2+x_2 - y_2)\} \\ &\leq \max^i \{\overline{\mu}(x_1), \overline{\mu}(x_2)\} = \overline{\gamma}(x_1,x_2) = \overline{\gamma}(x). \\ \overline{\gamma}(xy) &= \overline{\gamma}((x_1,x_2)(y_1,y_2)) \\ &= \overline{\gamma}(x_1y_1,x_2y_2) \\ &= \max^i \{\overline{\mu}(x_1y_1), \overline{\mu}(x_2y_2)\} \\ &\leq \max^i \{\overline{\mu}(y_1), \overline{\mu}(y_2)\} = \overline{\gamma}(y_1,y_2) = \overline{\gamma}(y). \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \overline{\gamma}((x+z)y-xy) &= \overline{\gamma}(((x_1,x_2)+(z_1,z_2))(y_1y_2)-(x_1,x_2)(y_1,y_2)) \\ &= \overline{\gamma}((x_1+z_1)y_1-x_1y_1,(x_2+z_2)y_2-x_2y_2) \\ &= \max^i \{\overline{\mu}((x_1+z_1)y_1-x_1y_1), \overline{\mu}((x_2+z_2)y_2-x_2y_2)\} \\ &\leq \max^i \{\overline{\mu}(z_1), \overline{\mu}(z_2)\} = \overline{\gamma}(z_1,z_2) = \overline{\gamma}(z). \end{split}$$

Therefore  $\overline{\gamma}$  is an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of  $R \times R$ .

Conversely, assume that  $\overline{\gamma}$  is an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of  $R \times R$ . Then, for  $x = (x_1, x_2), y = (y_1, y_2), z = (z_1, z_2) \in R \times R$ ,

$$\max^{i} \{ \overline{\mu}(x_{1} - y_{1}), \overline{\mu}(x_{2} - y_{2}) \} = \overline{\gamma}(x_{1} - y_{1}, x_{2} - y_{2}) \\ = \overline{\gamma}((x_{1}, x_{2}) - (y_{1}, y_{2})) \\ = \overline{\gamma}(x - y) \\ \leq \max^{i} \{ \overline{\gamma}(x), \overline{\gamma}(y) \} \\ = \max^{i} \{ \overline{\gamma}(x_{1}, x_{2}), \overline{\gamma}(y_{1}, y_{2}) \} \\ = \max^{i} \{ \max^{i} \{ \overline{\mu}(x_{1}), \overline{\mu}(x_{2}) \}, \max^{i} \{ \overline{\mu}(y_{1}), \overline{\mu}(y_{2}) \} \}.$$

If  $\overline{\mu}(x_1 - y_1) \ge \overline{\mu}(x_2 - y_2)$ , then  $\overline{\mu}(x_1) \ge \overline{\mu}(x_2)$ ,  $\overline{\mu}(y_1) \ge \overline{\mu}(y_2)$ , we get  $\overline{\mu}(x_1 - y_1) \le \max^i \{\overline{\mu}(x_1), \overline{\mu}(y_1)\}$ . Similarly,  $\overline{\mu}(x_1y_1) \le \max^i \{\overline{\mu}(x_1), \overline{\mu}(y_1)\}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \max^{i} \{ \overline{\mu}(y_{1} + x_{1} - y_{1}), \overline{\mu}(y_{2} + x_{2} - y_{2}) \} &= \overline{\gamma}(y_{1} + x_{1} - y_{1}, y_{2} + x_{2} - y_{2}) \\ &= \overline{\gamma}((y_{1}, y_{2}) + (x_{1}, x_{2}) - (y_{1}, y_{2})) \\ &= \overline{\gamma}(y + x - y) \\ &\leq \overline{\gamma}(x) = \overline{\gamma}(x_{1}, x_{2}) \\ &= \max^{i} \{ \overline{\mu}(x_{1}), \overline{\mu}(x_{2}) \}. \end{aligned}$$

If  $\overline{\mu}(y_1+x_1-y_1) \ge \overline{\mu}(y_2+x_2-y_2)$ , then  $\overline{\mu}(x_1) \ge \overline{\mu}(x_2)$ , we get  $\overline{\mu}(y_1+x_1-y_1) \le \overline{\mu}(x_1)$ .

$$\max^{i} \{ \overline{\mu}(x_{1}y_{1}), \overline{\mu}(x_{2}y_{2}) \} = \overline{\gamma}(x_{1}y_{1}, x_{2}y_{2})$$
$$= \overline{\gamma}((x_{1}, x_{2})(y_{1}, y_{2}))$$
$$= \overline{\gamma}(xy)$$
$$\leq \overline{\gamma}(y) = \overline{\gamma}(y_{1}, y_{2})$$
$$= \max^{i} \{ \overline{\mu}(y_{1}), \overline{\mu}(y_{2}) \}.$$

If  $\overline{\mu}(x_1y_1) \ge \overline{\mu}(x_2y_2)$ , then  $\overline{\mu}(x_1) \ge \overline{\mu}(x_2)$  and  $\overline{\mu}(y_1) \ge \overline{\mu}(y_2)$ , we get  $\overline{\mu}(x_1y_1) \le \overline{\mu}(y_1)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \max^{i} \{ \overline{\mu}((x_{1}+z_{1})y_{1}-x_{1}y_{1}), \overline{\mu}((x_{2}+z_{2})y_{2}-x_{2}y_{2}) \} \\ &= \overline{\gamma}((x_{1}+z_{1})y_{1}-x_{1}y_{1}, (x_{2}+z_{2})y_{2}-x_{2}y_{2}) \\ &= \overline{\gamma}(((x_{1},x_{2})+(z_{1},z_{2}))(y_{1}y_{2})-(x_{1},x_{2})(y_{1},y_{2})) \\ &= \overline{\gamma}((x+z)y-xy) \\ &\leq \overline{\gamma}(z) = \overline{\gamma}(z_{1},z_{2}) \\ &= \max^{i} \{ \overline{\mu}(z_{1}), \overline{\mu}(z_{2}) \}. \end{aligned}$$

If  $\overline{\mu}((x_1+z_1)y_1-x_1y_1) \geq \overline{\mu}((x_2+z_2)y_2-x_2y_2)$ , then  $\overline{\mu}(x_1) \geq \overline{\mu}(x_2)$ ,  $\overline{\mu}(y_1) \geq \overline{\mu}(y_2)$ and  $\overline{\mu}(z_1) \geq \overline{\mu}(z_2)$ , we get  $\overline{\mu}((x_1+z_1)y_1-x_1y_1) \leq \overline{\mu}(z_1)$ . Therefore,  $\overline{\mu}$  is an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of R.

In the next theorem we prove the necessary and sufficient condition for an i-v fuzzy subset of a near-ring R to be an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of R.

**Theorem 3.9.** An *i*-v fuzzy subset  $\overline{\mu}$  of a near-ring R is an *i*-v anti fuzzy ideal of R if and only if its complement  $\overline{\mu}^c$  is an *i*-v fuzzy ideal of R.

*Proof.* Assume that  $\overline{\mu}$  is an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of R. For  $x, y, z \in R$ 

$$\overline{\mu}^{c}(x-y) = \overline{1} - \overline{\mu}(x-y)$$

$$\geq \overline{1} - \max^{i} \{\overline{\mu}(x), \overline{\mu}(y)\}$$

$$= \min^{i} \{\overline{1} - \overline{\mu}(x), \overline{1} - \overline{\mu}(y)\}$$

$$= \min^{i} \{\overline{\mu}^{c}(x), \overline{\mu}^{c}(y)\}.$$

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Similarly,  $\overline{\mu}^c(xy) \ge \min^i \{\overline{\mu}^c(x), \overline{\mu}^c(y)\}$  and,

$$\overline{\mu}^{c}(y+x-y) = \overline{1} - \overline{\mu}(y+x-y)$$

$$\geq \overline{1} - \overline{\mu}(x) = \overline{\mu}^{c}(x).$$

$$\overline{\mu}^{c}(xy) = \overline{1} - \overline{\mu}(xy)$$

$$\geq \overline{1} - \overline{\mu}(y) = \overline{\mu}^{c}(y).$$

Further,  $\overline{\mu}^c((x+z)y - xy) = \overline{1} - \overline{\mu}((x+z)y - xy) \ge \overline{1} - \overline{\mu}(z) = \overline{\mu}^c(z)$ . Therefore,  $\overline{\mu}^c$  is an i-v fuzzy ideal of R.

Conversely, Assume that  $\overline{\mu}^c$  is an i-v fuzzy ideal of R. Let  $x, y, z \in R$ . Then

$$\begin{split} \overline{1} - \overline{\mu}(x - y) &= \overline{\mu}^c(x - y) \\ &\geq \min^i \{ \overline{\mu}^c(x), \overline{\mu}^c(y) \} \\ &= \overline{1} - \max^i \{ \overline{1} - \overline{\mu}^c(x), \overline{1} - \overline{\mu}^c(y) \}, \end{split}$$

which implies that  $\overline{1}-\overline{\mu}(x-y) \geq \overline{1}-\max^i \{\overline{\mu}(x), \overline{\mu}(y)\}$ . Thus  $\overline{\mu}(x-y) \leq \max^i \{\overline{\mu}(x), \overline{\mu}(y)\}$ . Similarly,  $\overline{\mu}(xy) \leq \max^i \{\overline{\mu}(x), \overline{\mu}(y)\}$  and

$$\overline{1} - \overline{\mu}(y + x - y) = \overline{\mu}^c(y + x - y)$$
$$\geq \overline{\mu}^c(x) = \overline{1} - \overline{\mu}(x)$$

Therefore  $\overline{\mu}(y+x-y) \leq \overline{\mu}(x)$ . Next,  $\overline{1} - \overline{\mu}(xy) = \overline{\mu}^c(xy) \geq \overline{\mu}^c(y) = \overline{1} - \overline{\mu}(y)$ . Thus  $\overline{\mu}(xy) \leq \overline{\mu}(y)$ . Further,  $\overline{1} - \overline{\mu}((x+z)y - xy) = \overline{\mu}^c((x+z)y - xy) \geq \overline{\mu}^c(z) = \overline{1} - \overline{\mu}(z)$ . Therefore  $\overline{\mu}((x+z)y - xy) \leq \overline{\mu}(z)$ . Thus  $\overline{\mu}$  is an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of R.  $\Box$ 

**Example 3.10.** Let  $Z_3 = \{0, 1, 2\}$ . Addition is modulo 3 and . is defined as follows:

+	0	1	2	•	0	1	2
0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0
1	1	2	0	1	0	1	2
2	2	0	1	2	0	1	2

Then clearly,  $(R, +, \cdot)$  is a left near-ring. Let  $\overline{\mu} : R \to D[0, 1]$  be an i-v fuzzy subset defined by  $\overline{\mu}(0) = [0.2, 0.3]$  and  $\overline{\mu}(1) = [0.6, 0.7] = \overline{\mu}(2)$ . Clearly,  $\overline{\mu}$  is an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of R. Further  $\overline{\mu}^c(0) = [0.7, 0.8]$  and  $\overline{\mu}^c(1) = [0.3, 0.4] = \overline{\mu}^c(2)$ . It is easy to check that  $\overline{\mu}^c$  is an i-v fuzzy ideal of R.

**Theorem 3.11.** Let I be an ideal of R. Then for any  $\overline{t} \in D[0,1]$  with  $\overline{t} \neq [1,1]$  there exists an i-v anti fuzzy ideal  $\overline{\mu}$  of R such that  $\overline{L}(\overline{\mu}:\overline{t}) = I$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\overline{\mu}: R \to D[0,1]$  be an i-v fuzzy set of R defined by

$$\overline{\mu}(x) = \begin{cases} \overline{t} & \text{if } x \in I \\ \overline{1} & \text{if } x \notin I. \end{cases}$$

Where  $\overline{t}$  is a fixed i-v number in D[0,1] with  $\overline{t} \neq [1,1]$  and clearly  $\overline{L}(\overline{\mu}:\overline{t}) = I$ . Let  $x, y \in R$ . Suppose that  $\overline{\mu}(x-y) > \max^i \{\overline{\mu}(x), \overline{\mu}(y)\}$ . Then  $\overline{\mu}(x-y) = \overline{1}$  and  $\max^i \{\overline{\mu}(x), \overline{\mu}(y)\} = \overline{t}$ . This implies that  $\overline{\mu}(x) = \overline{t} = \overline{\mu}(y)$  and so  $x, y \in I$ . Clearly,  $x - y \in I$ , because I is an ideal of R, which implies that,  $\overline{\mu}(x-y) = \overline{t}$ . This leads to a contradiction. Thus  $\overline{\mu}(x-y) \leq \max^i \{\overline{\mu}(x), \overline{\mu}(y)\}$ . Similarly,  $\overline{\mu}(xy) \leq \max^i \{\overline{\mu}(x), \overline{\mu}(y)\}$ . If there exists  $x, y \in R$  such that  $\overline{\mu}(y + x - y) > \overline{\mu}(x)$ . Then  $\overline{\mu}(y+x-y) = \overline{1}$  and  $\overline{\mu}(x) = \overline{t}$ . Thus  $x \in I$  and so  $y+x-y \in I$ , which implies that  $\overline{\mu}(y+x-y) = \overline{t}$ , a contradiction. Hence  $\overline{\mu}(y+x-y) \leq \overline{\mu}(x)$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ . Similarly, we have to prove that  $\overline{\mu}(xy) \leq \overline{\mu}(y)$  and  $\overline{\mu}((x+z)y-xy) \leq \overline{\mu}(z)$ , for all  $x, y, z \in R$ . Therefore,  $\overline{\mu}$  is an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of R.

The final result of this section brings out the connection between the residue class near-ring R/I with respect to an ideal I of R and the i-v fuzzy subset of R/I.

**Theorem 3.12.** Let I be an ideal of R. If  $\overline{\mu}$  is an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of R, then the i-v fuzzy subset  $\overline{\mu}^*$  of R/I defined by  $\overline{\mu}^*(a+I) = \inf_{x \in I} {}^i \overline{\mu}(a+x)$  is an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of the residue class near-ring R/I of R with respect to I.

*Proof.* Let  $a, b \in R$  be such that a + I = b + I. Then b = a + y for some  $y \in I$  and so  $\overline{\mu}^*(b+I) = \inf_{x \in I} {}^i \overline{\mu}(b+x) = \inf_{x \in I} {}^i \overline{\mu}(a+y+x) = \inf_{x+y=z \in I} {}^i \overline{\mu}(a+z) = \overline{\mu}^*(a+I)$ . Hence,  $\overline{\mu}^*$  is well defined. For any  $x + I, y + I, z + I \in R/I$ , we have

$$\begin{split} \overline{\mu}^{*}((x+I) - (y+I)) &= \overline{\mu}^{*}((x-y) + I) \\ &= \inf_{z \in I}^{i} \overline{\mu}((x-y) + z) \\ &= \inf_{z=u-v \in I}^{i} \{\overline{\mu}((x-y) + (u-v))\} \\ &= \inf_{u,v \in I}^{i} \{\overline{\mu}((x+u) - (y+v))\} \\ &\leq \inf_{u,v \in I}^{i} \max^{i} \{\overline{\mu}(x+u), \overline{\mu}(y+v)\} \\ &= \max^{i} \{\inf_{x \in I}^{i} \overline{\mu}(x+u), \inf_{v \in I}^{i} \overline{\mu}(y+v)\} \\ &= \max^{i} \{\overline{\mu}^{*}(x+I), \overline{\mu}^{*}(y+I)\}. \end{split}$$

Similarly,  $\overline{\mu}^*((x+I)(y+I)) \le \max^i \{\overline{\mu}^*(x+I), \overline{\mu}^*(y+I)\}$  and,

$$\begin{split} \overline{\mu}^*((y+I) + (x+I) - (y+I)) &= \overline{\mu}^*((y+x-y) + I) \\ &= \inf_{z \in I} i^i \overline{\mu}((y+x-y) + z) \\ &= \inf_{z = (v+u-v) \in I} i^i \overline{\mu}((y+x-y) + (v+u-v)) \\ &= \inf_{u \in I, v \in I} i^i \overline{\mu}((y+v) + (x+u) - (y+v)) \\ &\leq \inf_{z \in I} i^i \overline{\mu}(x+u) \\ &= \overline{\mu}^*(x+I). \\ &\quad 469 \end{split}$$

Again,

$$\overline{\mu}^*((x+I)(y+I)) = \overline{\mu}^*((xy)+I)$$

$$= \inf_{z \in I}^i \overline{\mu}((xy)+z)$$

$$= \inf_{z=(uv) \in I}^i \overline{\mu}((xy)+(uv))$$

$$= \inf_{u \in I, v \in I}^i \overline{\mu}((x+u)(y+v))$$

$$\leq \inf_{v \in I}^i \overline{\mu}(y+v)$$

$$= \overline{\mu}^*(y+I).$$

Similarly,  $\overline{\mu}^*(((x+I)+(z+I))(y+I)-(x+I)(y+I)) \leq \overline{\mu}^*(z+I)$ . Therefore,  $\overline{\mu}^*$  is an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of R/I with respect to I.

# 4. Homomorphism of interval valued anti fuzzy ideals

In this section, we give some characterizations of homomorphism of interval valued anti fuzzy ideals of near-rings.

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $f : R \to S$  be an onto homomorphism of near-rings.

(1) If  $\overline{\lambda}$  is an *i*-v fuzzy subset in S, then  $f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda}^c) = (f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda}))^c$ .

(2) If  $\overline{\mu}$  is an *i*-v fuzzy subset in R, then  $f(\overline{\mu}^c) = (f_-(\overline{\mu}))^c$  and  $f_-(\overline{\mu}^c) = (f(\overline{\mu}))^c$ .

*Proof.* (1) Suppose  $\overline{\lambda}$  is an i-v fuzzy subset in S. For  $x \in R$ ,

$$f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda}^c)(x) = \overline{\lambda}^c(f(x))$$
  
=  $\overline{1} - \overline{\lambda}(f(x))$   
=  $\overline{1} - f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})(x)$   
=  $(f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda}))^c(x).$ 

Thus  $f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda}^c) = (f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda}))^c$ .

(2) Suppose  $\overline{\mu}$  is an fuzzy subset in R. Let  $x \in R$ . Then

$$f(\overline{\mu}^{c})(y) = \sup_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} \overline{\mu}^{c}(x)$$

$$= \sup_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} \overline{(1 - \overline{\mu}(x))}$$

$$= \overline{1} - \inf_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} \overline{\mu}(x)$$

$$= \overline{1} - f_{-}(\overline{\mu})(y)$$

$$= (f_{-}(\overline{\mu}))^{c}(y).$$
And  $f_{-}(\overline{\mu}^{c})(y) = \inf_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} \overline{\mu}^{c}(x)$ 

$$= \inf_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} \overline{(1 - \overline{\mu}(x))}$$

$$= \overline{1} - \sup_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} \overline{\mu}(x)$$

$$= \overline{1} - f(\overline{\mu})(y)$$

$$= (f(\overline{\mu}))^{c}(y).$$

**Theorem 4.2.** Let  $f : R \to S$  be a homomorphism of near-rings R and S. If  $\overline{\lambda}$  is an *i*-*v* anti fuzzy ideal of S, then  $f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})$  is an *i*-*v* anti fuzzy ideal of R.

*Proof.* Let  $\overline{\lambda}$  is an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of S. Let  $x, y, z \in R$ . Then

$$f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})(x-y) = \overline{\lambda}(f(x-y))$$
  
=  $\overline{\lambda}(f(x) - f(y))$   
 $\leq \max^{i}\{\overline{\lambda}(f(x)), \overline{\lambda}(f(y))\}\$   
=  $\max^{i}\{f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})(x), f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})(y)\}.$ 

Similarly,  $f^{-1}(\lambda)(xy) \le \max^i \{f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})(x), f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})(y)\}$ . And

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})(y+x-y) &= \overline{\lambda}(f(y+x-y)) \\ &= \overline{\lambda}(f(y)+f(x)-f(y)) \\ &\leq \overline{\lambda}(f(x)) \\ &= f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})(x). \end{aligned}$$

Again,

$$f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})(xy) = \overline{\lambda}(f(xy))$$
  
$$= \overline{\lambda}(f(x)f(y))$$
  
$$\leq \overline{\lambda}(f(y))$$
  
$$= f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})(y).$$
  
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$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})((x+z)y - xy) &= \overline{\lambda}(f((x+z)y - xy)) \\ &= \overline{\lambda}((f(x) + f(z))f(y) - f(x)f(y)) \\ &\leq \overline{\lambda}(f(z)) \\ &= f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})(z). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})$  is an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of R.

The converse of the Theorem 4.2 with stronger condition on f can be stated as follows.

**Theorem 4.3.** Let  $f : R \to S$  be an epimorphism of near-rings R and S. If  $\overline{\lambda}$  is an *i*-v fuzzy subset of S, such that  $f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})$  is an *i*-v anti fuzzy ideal of R then  $\overline{\lambda}$  is an *i*-v anti fuzzy ideal of S.

*Proof.* Let  $x, y, z \in S$ . Then f(a) = x, f(b) = y and f(c) = z for some  $a, b, c \in R$ . It follows that

$$\begin{split} \lambda(x-y) &= \lambda(f(a) - f(b)) = \lambda(f(a-b)) \\ &= f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})(a-b) \\ &\leq \max^i \{f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})(a), f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})(b)\} \\ &= \max^i \{\overline{\lambda}(f(a)), \overline{\lambda}(f(b))\} \\ &= \max^i \{\overline{\lambda}(x), \overline{\lambda}(y)\}. \end{split}$$

Similarly,  $\overline{\lambda}(xy) \leq \max^i \{\overline{\lambda}(x), \overline{\lambda}(y)\}.$ 

$$\begin{split} \overline{\lambda}(y+x-y) &= \overline{\lambda}(f(b) + f(a) - f(b)) \\ &= \overline{\lambda}(f(b+a-b)) \\ &= f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})(b+a-b) \leq f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})(a) \\ &= \overline{\lambda}(f(a)) = \overline{\lambda}(x). \\ \overline{\lambda}(xy) &= \overline{\lambda}(f(a)f(b)) = \overline{\lambda}(f(ab)) \\ &= f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})(ab) \leq f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})(b) \\ &= \overline{\lambda}(f(b)) = \overline{\lambda}(y). \\ \overline{\lambda}((x+z)y-xy) &= \overline{\lambda}((f(a) + f(c))f(b) - f(a)f(b)) \\ &= f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})((a+c)b-ab)) \\ &= f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})((a+c)b-ab) \\ &\leq f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})(c) = \overline{\lambda}(f(c)) = \overline{\lambda}(z). \end{split}$$

Hence  $\overline{\lambda}$  is an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of R.

**Theorem 4.4.** Let  $f : R \to S$  be an epimorphism of near-rings R and S. If  $\overline{\mu}$  is an *i*-v anti fuzzy ideal of R, then  $f_{-}(\overline{\mu})$  is an *i*-v anti fuzzy ideal of S.

*Proof.* Let  $\overline{\mu}$  be an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of R. Since  $f_{-}(\overline{\mu})(x') = \inf_{f(x)=x'} {}^{i}(\overline{\mu}(x))$ , for  $x' \in S$ . So  $\overline{\mu}$  is nonempty. Let  $x', y', z' \in S$ . Then we have

$$\begin{split} \{x|x \in f^{-1}(x'-y')\} &\supseteq \{x - y|x \in f^{-1}(x') \text{ and } y \in f^{-1}(y')\} \text{ and } \{x|x \in f^{-1}(x'y')\} \supseteq \{xy|x \in f^{-1}(x') \text{ and } y \in f^{-1}(y')\}. \\ f_{-}(\overline{\mu})(x'-y') &= \inf_{f(z)=x'-y'}{}^{i} \{\overline{\mu}(z)\} \leq \inf_{f(x)=x',f(y)=y'}{}^{i} \{\overline{\mu}(x-y)\} \\ &\leq \inf_{f(x)=x',f(y)=y'}{}^{i} \{\max^{i} \{\overline{\mu}(x), \overline{\mu}(y)\}\} \\ &= \max^{i} \{\inf_{f(x)=x'}{}^{i} \{\overline{\mu}(x)\}, \inf_{f(y)=y'}{}^{i} \{\overline{\mu}(y) \\ &= \max^{i} \{f_{-}(\overline{\mu})(x'), f_{-}(\overline{\mu})(y')\}. \\ \text{Similarly, } f_{-}(\overline{\mu})(x'y') \leq \max^{i} \{f_{-}(\overline{\mu})(x'), f_{-}(\overline{\mu})(y')\}. \\ f_{-}(\overline{\mu})(y'+x'-y') &= \inf_{f(z)=y'+x'-y'}{}^{i} \{\overline{\mu}(z)\} \\ &\leq \inf_{f(x)=x',f(y)=y'}{}^{i} \{\overline{\mu}(x)\} = f_{-}(\overline{\mu})(x'). \\ f_{-}(\overline{\mu})(x'y') &= \inf_{f(z)=y'+x'-y'}{}^{i} \{\overline{\mu}(z)\} \\ &\leq \inf_{f(x)=x',f(y)=y'}{}^{i} \{\overline{\mu}(xy)\} \\ &\leq \inf_{f(y)=y'}{}^{i} \{\overline{\mu}(y)\} = f_{-}(\overline{\mu})(y'). \\ f_{-}(\overline{\mu})((x'+z')y'-x'y') &= \inf_{f(z)=x',f(y)=y'}{}^{i} \{\overline{\mu}((x+z)y-xy)\} \\ &\leq \inf_{f(z)=z'}{}^{i} \{\overline{\mu}(z)\} = f_{-}(\overline{\mu})(z'). \\ \end{split}$$

Therefore  $f_{-}(\overline{\mu})$  is an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of S.

# 5. Anti-homomorphism of interval valued anti fuzzy ideals

In this section, we characterize of anti-homomorphism of i-v anti fuzzy ideals.

**Theorem 5.1.** Let  $f : R \to S$  be an anti-homomorphism of near-rings R and S. If  $\overline{\lambda}$  is an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of S, then  $f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})$  is an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of R.

*Proof.* The proof is straightforward from Theorem 4.2.

The converse of the Theorem 5.1 with stronger condition on f is stated as follows.

**Theorem 5.2.** Let  $f : R \to S$  be an anti-epimorphism of near-rings R and S. If  $\overline{\lambda}$  is an i-v fuzzy subset of S, such that  $f^{-1}(\overline{\lambda})$  is an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of R then  $\overline{\lambda}$  is an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of S.

*Proof.* The proof is straightforward from Theorem 4.3.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 5.3.** Let  $f : R \to S$  be an anti-epimorphism of near-rings R and S. If  $\overline{\mu}$  is an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of R, then  $f(\overline{\mu})$  is an i-v anti fuzzy ideal of S.

*Proof.* The proof is straight forward from Theorem 4.4.  $\Box$ 

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