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# *N*-Group *SU*-Action and its Applications to *N*-Group Theory

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**Abstract:** In this paper, we define a new type of *N*-group action, called *N*-group soft union (SU) action on a soft set. This new concept illustrates how a soft set effects on an *N*-group structure in the mean of union and inclusion of sets and it functions as a bridge among soft set theory, set theory and *N*-group theory. Furthermore, we derive its basic properties with illustrative examples, investigate the relationship between *N*-group *SI*-action defined in [32] and *N*-group *SU*-action and obtain some analog of classical *N*-group theoretic concepts for *N*-group *SU*-action. Finally, we give the applications of *N*-group *SU*-actions to *N*-group theory.

**Keywords:** Soft sets, *N*-group *SI*-action, *N*-group *SU*-action, *N*-ideal *SU*-action, soft pre-image, soft anti image,  $\alpha$ -inclusion.

#### **1** Introduction

Molodtsov [23] introduced soft set theory in 1999 for dealing with uncertainties and it continues to experience tremendous growth and diversification in the mean of algebraic structures as in [1,2,10,14,15,16,18,19,26,28, 29,30,31,34].

Operations of soft sets have been studied by some authors. Maji et al. [20] presented some definitions on soft sets and based on the analysis of several operations on soft sets Ali et al. [3] introduced several operations of soft sets and Sezgin and Atagün [27] studied on soft set operations as well. Moreover, soft set relations and functions [4] and soft mappings [22] with many related concepts were discussed. The theory of soft set also has a wide range of applications especially in soft decision making as in the following studies: [5, 6, 13, 21, 24].

Sezgin et al. [32] introduced a new concept to the literature of N-group, called N-group soft intersection action and abbreviated as "N-group SI-action". In this paper, we define a new type of N-group action on a soft set, which we call N-group soft union action and abbreviate as "N-group SU-action". While N-group SI-action is based on the inclusion relation and intersection of sets, N-group SU-action is based on the inclusion relation and union of sets. Since N-group

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SU-action gathers soft set theory, set theory and N-group theory, it is useful in improving the soft set theory with respect to N-group structures. Based on this new concept, we then introduce the concepts of N-ideal SU-action and we show that if N is a zero-symmetric near-ring, then every N-ideal SU-action over U is an N-group SU-action over U. Moreover, we investigate these notions with respect to soft pre-image, soft anti image and  $\alpha$ -inclusion of soft sets and obtain a significant relationship between N-group SI-action and N-group SU-action. Finally, we give some applications of N-group SU-action to N-group theory.

#### **2** Preliminaries

In this section, we recall some basic notions relevant to N-groups and soft sets. By a *near-ring*, we shall mean an algebraic system (N, +, .), where

N1)(N, +) forms a group (not necessarily abelian) N2)(N, .) forms a semigroup and

N3)(a+b)c = ac+bc for all  $a,b,c \in N$  (i.e. we study on right near-rings.)

Throughout this paper, N will always denote a right nearring. A normal subgroup I of N is called a left ideal of N if  $n(s+i) - ns \in I$  for all  $n, s \in N$  and  $i \in I$  and denoted by  $I \triangleleft_{\ell} N$ .

Let  $(\Gamma, +)$  be a group and

 $\mu:N\times\Gamma\to\Gamma$ 

 $(n, \gamma) \rightarrow n\gamma$ 

 $(\Gamma, \mu)$  is called a *near-ring module* or *N*-group if  $\forall x, y \in N$ ,  $\forall \gamma \in \Gamma$ ,

i) $x(y\gamma) = (xy)\gamma$  and ii) $(x+y)\gamma = x\gamma + y\gamma$ .

It is denoted by  $\Gamma$ . Clearly *N* itself is an *N*-group by natural operation. Let *G* be a group, written additively but not necessarily abelian, and let M(G) be the set  $\{f|f: G \to G\}$  of all functions from *G* to *G*. An addition operation can be defined on M(G): given *f*, *g* in M(G), then the mapping f + g from *G* to *G* is given by (f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x) for all *x* in *G*. Then (M(G), +) is also a group, which is abelian if and only if *G* is abelian. Taking the composition of mappings as the product , M(G) becomes a near-ring. Let *G* be a group. Then, under the operation below:

$$\mu: M(G) \times G \to G$$
$$(f,a) \to f(a)$$

*G* is an M(G)-group. For a near-ring *N*, the zero-symmetric part of *N* denoted by  $N_0$  is defined by  $N_0 = \{n \in N \mid n0 = 0\}$ . A subgroup  $\Delta$  of  $\Gamma$  with  $N\Delta \subseteq \Delta$  is said to be an *N*-subgroup of  $\Gamma$  and denoted by  $\Delta \leq_N \Gamma$ . A normal subgroup  $\Delta$  of  $\Gamma$  is called an *N*-ideal of  $\Gamma$  and denoted by  $\Delta \leq_N \Gamma$ , if  $\forall \gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $\forall \delta \in \Delta$ ,  $\forall n \in N$ ,  $n(\gamma + \delta) - n\gamma \in \Delta$ . Let *N* be a near-ring,  $\Gamma$  and  $\Psi$  two *N*-groups. Then,  $h : \Gamma \to \Psi$  is called an *N*-homomorphism if  $\forall \gamma, \delta \in \Gamma, \forall n \in N$ ,

i) $h(\gamma + \delta) = h(\gamma) + h(\delta)$  and ii) $h(n\gamma) = nh(\gamma)$ .

For all undefined concepts and notions we refer to [25]. From now on, U refers to an initial universe, E is a set of parameters, P(U) is the power set of U and  $A, B, C \subseteq E$ .

**Definition 1.**[6, 23] A soft set  $f_A$  over U is a set defined by

$$f_A: E \to P(U)$$
 such that  $f_A(x) = \emptyset$  if  $x \notin A$ .

Here,  $f_A$  is also called approximate function. A soft set over U can be represented by the set of ordered pairs

$$f_A = \{ (x, f_A(x)) : x \in E, f_A(x) \in P(U) \}.$$

It is clear to see that a soft set is a parametrized family of subsets of the set U. It is worth noting that the sets  $f_A(x)$  may be arbitrary. Some of them may be empty, some may have nonempty intersection. If we define more than one soft set in a subset A of the set of parameters E, then the soft sets will be denoted by  $f_A$ ,  $g_A$ ,  $h_A$  etc. If we define more than one soft set in some subsets A, B, C etc. of parameters E, then the soft sets will be denoted by  $f_A$ ,  $g_B$ ,  $f_C$  etc., respectively. We refer to [6,11,12,20,23] for further details.

**Definition 2.**[6] Let  $f_A$  and  $f_B$  be soft sets over U. Then,  $f_A$  is a soft subset of  $f_B$ , denoted by  $f_A \subseteq f_B$ , if  $f_A(x) \subseteq f_B(x)$  for all  $x \in E$ .

Complement of the soft set  $f_A$  over U, denoted by  $f_A^c$ , is defined as  $f_A^c(\alpha) = U \setminus f_A(\alpha)$  for all  $\alpha \in E$ .

**Definition 3.**[6] Let  $f_A$  and  $f_B$  be soft sets over U. Then, union of  $f_A$  and  $f_B$ , denoted by  $f_A \widetilde{\cup} f_B$ , is defined as  $f_A \widetilde{\cup} f_B = f_{A \widetilde{\cup} B}$ , where  $f_{A \widetilde{\cup} B}(x) = f_A(x) \cup f_B(x)$  for all  $x \in E$ .

Intersection of  $f_A$  and  $f_B$ , denoted by  $f_A \cap f_B$ , is defined as  $f_A \cap f_B = f_{A \cap B}$ , where  $f_{A \cap B}(x) = f_A(x) \cap f_B(x)$  for all  $x \in E$ .

**Definition 4.**[6] Let  $f_A$  and  $f_B$  be soft sets over U. Then,  $\lor$ -product of  $f_A$  and  $f_B$ , denoted by  $f_A \lor f_B$ , is defined as  $f_A \lor f_B = f_{A \lor B}$ , where  $f_{A \lor B}(x, y) = f_A(x) \cup f_B(y)$  for all  $(x, y) \in E \times E$ .

 $\wedge$ -product of  $f_A$  and  $f_B$ , denoted by  $f_A \wedge f_B$ , is defined as  $f_A \wedge f_B = f_{A \wedge B}$ , where  $f_{A \wedge B}(x, y) = f_A(x) \cap f_B(y)$  for all  $(x, y) \in E \times E$ .

**Definition 5.**[7] Let  $f_A$  and  $f_B$  be soft sets over the common universe U and  $\Psi$  be a function from A to B. Then, soft image of  $f_A$  under  $\Psi$ , denoted by  $\Psi(f_A)$ , is a soft set over U by

$$(\Psi(f_A))(b) = \begin{cases} \bigcup \{f_A(a) \mid a \in A \text{ and } \Psi(a) = b\}, \text{ if } \Psi^{-1}(b) \neq \emptyset, \\ \emptyset, & otherwise \end{cases}$$

for all  $b \in B$ . And soft pre-image (or soft inverse image) of  $f_B$  under  $\Psi$ , denoted by  $\Psi^{-1}(f_B)$ , is a soft set over U by  $(\Psi^{-1}(f_B))(a) = f_B(\Psi(a))$  for all  $a \in A$ .

**Definition 6.[8]** Let  $f_A$  and  $f_B$  be soft sets over the common universe U and  $\Psi$  be a function from A to B. Then, soft anti image of  $f_A$  under  $\Psi$ , denoted by  $\Psi^*(f_A)$ , is a soft set over U by  $(\Psi^*(f_A))(b) = \begin{cases} \bigcap \{f_A(a) \mid a \in A \text{ and } \Psi(a) = b\}, \text{ if } \Psi^{-1}(b) \neq \emptyset, \\ \emptyset, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$  for all  $b \in B$ .

**Theorem 1.**[8] Let  $f_A$  and  $f_B$  be soft sets over U,  $f_A^c$ ,  $f_B^c$  be their complements, respectively and  $\Psi$  be a function from A to B. Then,

$$i)\Psi^{-1}(f_B^c) = (\Psi^{-1}(f_B))^c.$$
  
$$ii)\Psi(f_A^c) = (\Psi^{\star}(f_A))^c \text{ and } \Psi^{\star}(f_A^c) = (\Psi(f_A))^c.$$

**Definition 7.**[9] Let  $f_A$  be a soft set over U and  $\alpha$  be a subset of U. Then, upper  $\alpha$ -inclusion of  $f_A$ , denoted by  $f_A^{\supseteq \alpha}$ , and lower  $\alpha$ -inclusion of  $f_A$ , denoted by  $f_A^{\subseteq \alpha}$ , are defined as

$$f_A^{\supseteq \alpha} = \{ x \in A \mid f_A(x) \supseteq \alpha \} \text{ and } f_A^{\subseteq \alpha} = \{ x \in A \mid f_A(x) \subseteq \alpha \},\$$

respectively.

#### **3** N-group SU-actions and N-ideal SU-actions

In this section, we first define *N*-group soft union actions, abbreviated as *N*-group SU-actions and *N*-ideal SU-actions with illustrative examples. We then study their basic properties with respect to soft set operations.

© 2016 NSP Natural Sciences Publishing Cor. **Definition 8.**Let  $\Gamma$  be an N-group and  $f_{\Gamma}$  be a soft set over U. Then,  $f_{\Gamma}$  is called a N-group SU-action over U if it satisfies the following properties:

$$i)f_{\Gamma}(x+y) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x) \cup f_{\Gamma}(y),$$
  

$$ii)f_{\Gamma}(-x) = f_{\Gamma}(x),$$
  

$$iii)f_{\Gamma}(nx) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x)$$

for all  $x, y \in \Gamma$  and  $n \in N$ .

*Example 1.*Let  $N = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$  be the (right) near-ring due to [25] (Near-rings of low order (*D*-5)) with the following tables:

| +                | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |   |   |   | 2           |   |  |
|------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|-------------|---|--|
| 0                | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0           | 0 |  |
| 1                | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1           | 0 |  |
| 2                | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2           | 0 |  |
| 0<br>1<br>2<br>3 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 1<br>2<br>3 | 0 |  |

Let  $\Gamma = N$  be the sets of parameters and  $U = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ x & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mid x, y \in \mathbb{Z}_4 \right\}, 2 \times 2$  matrices with  $\mathbb{Z}_4$  terms, is the universal set. We construct a soft set  $f_{\Gamma}$  over U by

$$f_{\Gamma}(0) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$
$$f_{\Gamma}(1) = f_{\Gamma}(2) = f_{\Gamma}(3) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

Then, one can easily show that the soft set  $f_{\Gamma}$  is an *N*-group *SU*-action over *U*.

*Example 2*.In Example 1, assume that  $\Gamma$  is again the set of parameters and  $U = S_4$  is the universal set. We define a soft set  $f_{\Gamma}$  by

$$\begin{split} f_{\Gamma}(0) &= \{e\}, \ f_{\Gamma}(1) = \{e, (13)(24)\}, \\ f_{\Gamma}(2) &= \{e, (12)(34), (1234), (2134)\} \text{ and } \\ f_{\Gamma}(3) &= \{e, (13)(24), (134)\}. \end{split}$$

Since  $f_{\Gamma}(2 \cdot 1) = f_{\Gamma}(2) \nsubseteq f_{\Gamma}(1)$ ,  $f_{\Gamma}$  is not an *N*-group *SU*-action over *U*.

It is known that if  $N = N_0$ , then  $n0_{\Gamma} = 0_{\Gamma}$  for all  $n \in N$ . Therefore, if N is a zero-symmetric near-ring and if we take  $\Gamma = \{0_{\Gamma}\}$ , then  $f_{\Gamma}$  is an N-group SU-action over U no matter how  $f_{\Gamma}$  is defined and no matter what U is.

**Proposition 1.**Let  $f_{\Gamma}$  be an N-group SU-action over U. Then,  $f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma}) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x)$  for all  $x \in \Gamma$ .

*Proof.*Assume that  $f_{\Gamma}$  is an *N*-group *SU*-action over *U*. Then, for all  $x \in \Gamma$ ,  $f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma}) = f_{\Gamma}(x - x) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x) \cup f_{\Gamma}(-x) = f_{\Gamma}(x) \cup f_{\Gamma}(x) = f_{\Gamma}(x)$ .

**Theorem 2.**Let  $\Gamma$  be an N-group and  $f_{\Gamma}$  be a soft set over U. Then,  $f_{\Gamma}$  is an N-group SU-action over U if and only if

$$\begin{split} i)f_{\Gamma}(x-y) &\subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x) \cup f_{\Gamma}(y) \\ ii)f_{\Gamma}(nx) &\subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x) \\ for \ all \ x, y \in \Gamma \ and \ n \in N. \end{split}$$

*Proof.*Suppose that  $f_{\Gamma}$  is an *N*-group *SU*-action over. Then, by Definition 8,  $f_{\Gamma}(xy) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(y)$  and  $f_{\Gamma}(x-y) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x) \cup f_{\Gamma}(-y) = f_{\Gamma}(x) \cup f_{\Gamma}(y)$  for all  $x, y \in \Gamma$ .

Conversely, assume that  $f_{\Gamma}(xy) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(y)$  and  $f_{\Gamma}(x-y) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x) \cup f_{\Gamma}(y)$  for all  $x, y \in \Gamma$ . If we choose  $x = 0_{\Gamma}$ , then

$$f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma} - y) = f_{\Gamma}(-y) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma}) \cup f_{\Gamma}(y) = f_{\Gamma}(y)$$

by Proposition 1. Similarly,  $f_{\Gamma}(y) = f_{\Gamma}(-(-y)) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(-y)$ , thus  $f_{\Gamma}(-y) = f_{\Gamma}(y)$  for all  $y \in \Gamma$ . Also, by assumption  $f_{\Gamma}(x+y) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x) \cup f_{\Gamma}(-y) = f_{\Gamma}(x) \cup f_{\Gamma}(y)$ . Thus, the proof is completed.

**Theorem 3.**Let  $f_{\Gamma}$  be an N-group SU-action over U. If  $f_{\Gamma}(x-y) = f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma})$  for any  $x, y \in \Gamma$ , then  $f_{\Gamma}(x) = f_{\Gamma}(y)$ .

*Proof.*Assume that  $f_{\Gamma}(x - y) = f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma})$  for any  $x, y \in \Gamma$ . Then,

$$f_{\Gamma}(x) = f_{\Gamma}(x - y + y)$$
  

$$\subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x - y) \cup f_{\Gamma}(y)$$
  

$$= f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma}) \cup f_{\Gamma}(y)$$
  

$$= f_{\Gamma}(y)$$

and accordingly

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$$\begin{aligned} f_{\Gamma}(y) &= f_{\Gamma}((y-x)+x) \\ &\subseteq f_{\Gamma}(y-x) \cup f_{\Gamma}(x) \\ &= f_{\Gamma}(-(y-x)) \cup f_{\Gamma}(x) \\ &= f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma}) \cup f_{\Gamma}(x) \\ &= f_{\Gamma}(x). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $f_{\Gamma}(x) = f_{\Gamma}(y)$ , completing the proof.

It is known that if  $\Gamma$  is an *N*-group, then  $(\Gamma, +)$  is a group but not necessarily abelian. That is, for any  $x, y \in \Gamma$ , x + yneeds not be equal to y + x. However, we have the following:

**Theorem 4.**Let  $f_{\Gamma}$  be an N-group SU-action over U and  $x \in \Gamma$ . Then, for all  $y \in \Gamma$ 

$$f_{\Gamma}(x) = f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma}) \Leftrightarrow f_{\Gamma}(x+y) = f_{\Gamma}(y+x) = f_{\Gamma}(y)$$

*Proof.*Suppose that  $f_{\Gamma}(x+y) = f_{\Gamma}(y+x) = f_{\Gamma}(y)$  for all  $y \in \Gamma$ . Then by choosing  $y = 0_{\Gamma}$ , we obtain that  $f_{\Gamma}(x) = f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma})$ . Conversely, assume that  $f_{\Gamma}(x) = f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma})$ . Then, by Proposition 1, we have

$$f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma}) = f_{\Gamma}(x) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(y), \quad \forall y \in \Gamma.$$
(1)

Since  $f_{\Gamma}$  is an *N*-group *SU*-action over *U*, then

$$f_{\Gamma}(x+y) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x) \cup f_{\Gamma}(y) = f_{\Gamma}(y), \quad \forall y \in \Gamma.$$

Furthermore, for all  $y \in \Gamma$ 

$$f_{\Gamma}(y) = f_{\Gamma}((-x) + x) + y)$$
  
=  $f_{\Gamma}(-x + (x + y))$   
 $\subseteq f_{\Gamma}(-x) \cup f_{\Gamma}(x + y)$   
=  $f_{\Gamma}(x) \cup f_{\Gamma}(x + y)$   
=  $f_{\Gamma}(x + y)$ 

© 2016 NSP Natural Sciences Publishing Cor. Because, by (1),  $f_{\Gamma}(x) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(y)$  for all  $y \in \Gamma$  and  $x, y \in \Gamma$ implies that  $x + y \in \Gamma$ . Thus,  $f_{\Gamma}(x) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x + y)$  and sit follows that  $f_{\Gamma}(x+y) = f_{\Gamma}(y)$  for all  $y \in \Gamma$ . Now, let  $x \in \Gamma$ . Then, for all  $y \in \Gamma$ 

$$f_{\Gamma}(y+x) = f_{\Gamma}(y+x+(y-y))$$
  
=  $f_{\Gamma}(y+(x+y)-y)$   
 $\subseteq f_{\Gamma}(y) \cup f_{\Gamma}(x+y) \cup f_{\Gamma}(y)$   
=  $f_{\Gamma}(y) \cup f_{\Gamma}(x+y)$   
=  $f_{\Gamma}(y),$ 

since  $f_{\Gamma}(x+y) = f_{\Gamma}(y)$ . Moreover, for all  $y \in \Gamma$ ,

$$f_{\Gamma}(y) = f_{\Gamma}(y + (x - x))$$
  
=  $f_{\Gamma}((y + x) - x)$   
 $\subseteq f_{\Gamma}(y + x) \cup f_{\Gamma}(x)$   
=  $f_{\Gamma}(y + x)$ 

by (1). It follows that  $f_{\Gamma}(y+x) = f_{\Gamma}(y)$ , so  $f_{\Gamma}(x+y) = f_{\Gamma}(y+x) = f_{\Gamma}(y)$  for all  $y \in \Gamma$ .

In [32], Sezgin et al. showed that  $\wedge$ -product of two *N*-group *SI*-actions over *U* is an *N*-group *SI*-action. However, we have the following for *N*-group *SU*-actions:

**Theorem 5.** If  $f_{\Gamma}$  and  $f_{\Delta}$  are N-group SU-actions over U, then so is  $f_{\Gamma} \vee f_{\Delta}$  over U.

*Proof.*By Definition 4, let  $f_{\Gamma} \vee f_{\Delta} = f_{\Gamma \vee \Delta}$ , where  $f_{\Gamma \vee \Delta}(x,y) = f_{\Gamma}(x) \cup f_{\Delta}(y)$  for all  $(x,y) \in E \times E$ . Since  $\Gamma$  and  $\Delta$  are *N*-groups, then  $\Gamma \times \Delta$  is an  $N \times N$ -group. So, let  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in \Gamma \times \Delta$  and  $(n_1, n_2) \in N \times N$ . Then,

$$\begin{split} f_{\Gamma \lor \Delta}((x_1, y_1) - (x_2, y_2)) &= f_{\Gamma \lor \Delta}(x_1 - x_2, y_1 - y_2) \\ &= f_{\Gamma}(x_1 - x_2) \cup f_{\Delta}(y_1 - y_2) \\ &\subseteq (f_{\Gamma}(x_1) \cup f_{\Gamma}(x_2)) \cup (f_{\Delta}(y_1) \cup f_{\Delta}(y_2)) \\ &= (f_{\Gamma}(x_1) \cup f_{\Delta}(y_1)) \cup (f_{\Gamma}(x_2) \cup f_{\Delta}(y_2)) \\ &= f_{\Gamma \lor \Delta}(x_1, y_1) \cup f_{\Gamma \lor \Delta}(x_2, y_2) \end{split}$$

$$f_{\Gamma \lor \Delta}((n_1, n_2)(x_1, y_1)) = f_{\Gamma \lor \Delta}(n_1 x_1, n_2 y_1)$$
  
=  $f_{\Gamma}(n_1 x_1) \cup f_{\Delta}(n_2 y_1)$   
 $\subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x_1) \cup f_{\Delta}(y_1)$   
=  $f_{\Gamma \lor \Delta}(x_1, y_1)$ 

Thus,  $f_{\Gamma} \vee f_{\Delta}$  is an *N*-group *SU*-action over *U*.

In [32], Sezgin et al. showed that if  $f_{\Gamma}$  and  $h_{\Gamma}$  are two *N*-group *SI*-actions over *U*, then so is  $f_{\Gamma} \cap h_{\Gamma}$  over *U*. However, we have the following for *N*-group *SU*-actions:

**Theorem 6.** If  $f_{\Gamma}$  and  $h_{\Gamma}$  are two N-group SU-actions over U, then so is  $f_{\Gamma} \widetilde{\cup} h_{\Gamma}$  over U.

*Proof*.Let  $x, y \in \Gamma$  and  $n \in N$ , then

$$\begin{split} (f_{\Gamma}\widetilde{\cup}h_{\Gamma})(x-y) &= f_{\Gamma}(x-y) \cup h_{\Gamma}(x-y) \\ &\subseteq (f_{\Gamma}(x) \cup f_{\Gamma}(y)) \cup (h_{\Gamma}(x) \cup h_{\Gamma}(y)) \\ &= (f_{\Gamma}(x) \cup h_{\Gamma}(x)) \cup (f_{\Gamma}(y) \cup h_{\Gamma}(y)) \\ &= (f_{\Gamma}\widetilde{\cup}h_{\Gamma})(x) \cup (f_{\Gamma}\widetilde{\cup}h_{\Gamma})(y), \end{split}$$

 $(f_{\Gamma} \widetilde{\cup} h_{\Gamma})(nx) = f_{\Gamma}(nx) \cup h_{\Gamma}(nx)$  $\subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x) \cup h_{\Gamma}(x)$  $= (f_{\Gamma} \widetilde{\cup} h_{\Gamma})(x)$ 

Therefore,  $f_{\Gamma} \widetilde{\cup} h_{\Gamma}$  is an *N*-group *SU*-action over *U*.

**Definition 9.**Let  $\Gamma$  be an N-group and  $f_{\Gamma}$  be an N-group SU-action over U. Then,  $f_{\Gamma}$  is called an N-ideal SU-action of  $\Gamma$  over U if it satisfies the following properties:

$$i)f_{\Gamma}(x+y) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x) \cup f_{\Gamma}(y),$$
  

$$ii)f_{\Gamma}(-x) = f_{\Gamma}(x),$$
  

$$iii)f_{\Gamma}(x+y-x) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(y),$$
  

$$iv)f_{\Gamma}(n(x+y)-nx) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(y),$$

for all  $x, y \in \Gamma$  and  $n \in N$ . Here, note that  $f_{\Gamma}(x+y) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x) \cup f_{\Gamma}(y)$  and  $f_{\Gamma}(-x) = f_{\Gamma}(x)$  imply  $f_{\Gamma}(x-y) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x) \cup f_{\Gamma}(y)$ .

*Example 3.*Let  $N = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$  be the (right) near-ring due to [25] (Near-rings of low order (*D*-10)) with the following tables:

| + | 0           | 1 | 2 | 3 |   |   |   | 2           |   |  |
|---|-------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|-------------|---|--|
| 0 | 0<br>1<br>2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0           | 0 |  |
| 1 | 1           | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2           | 1 |  |
| 2 | 2           | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0           | 2 |  |
| 3 | 3           | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 2<br>0<br>2 | 3 |  |

Let  $\Gamma = N$  be the sets of parameters and  $U = D_3$ , dihedral group, be the universal set. We define a soft set  $f_{\Gamma}$  over U by

 $f_{\Gamma}(0) = \{e, x\}, f_{\Gamma}(1) = f_{\Gamma}(3) = \{e, x, yx, yx^2\}, f_{\Gamma}(2) = \{e, x, yx^2\}.$ Then, one can show that  $f_{\Gamma}$  is an *N*-ideal *SU*-action of  $\Gamma$  over *U*.

*Example 4.*Let  $N = \{0, a, b, c\}$  be the (right) near-ring per scheme 2 ([25], p. 408) under the operations defined by the following tables:

| + | 0      | а | b | с |   | . | 0 | а | b      | с |  |
|---|--------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|--------|---|--|
| 0 | 0      | а | b | С | ( | ) | 0 | 0 | 0      | 0 |  |
| а | а      | 0 | с | b | 8 | ı | 0 | 0 | а      | а |  |
| b | a<br>b | с | 0 | а | ł | ) | 0 | а | a<br>b | b |  |
| с | с      | b | а | 0 | ( | 2 | 0 | а | с      | с |  |

Let  $\Gamma = N$  be the sets of parameters and  $U = \mathbb{Z}^-$  be the universal set. We define a soft set  $f_{\Gamma}$  over U by  $f_{\Gamma}(0) = \{-3\}, f_{\Gamma}(a) = \{-3, -5, -9\}, f_{\Gamma}(b) = \{-3, -5, -9, -11, -15\},$ 

$$f_{\Gamma}(c) = \{-3, -11, -15\}.$$

Since  $f_{\Gamma}(a(c+c)-ac) = f_{\Gamma}(a0-ac) = f_{\Gamma}(0-a) = f_{\Gamma}(0+a) = f_{\Gamma}(a) \notin f_{\Gamma}(c), f_{\Gamma}$  is not an *N*-ideal *SU*-action of  $\Gamma$  over *U*.

It is known that if *N* is a zero-symmetric near-ring, then every *N*-ideal of  $\Gamma$  is also an *N*-subgroup of  $\Gamma$  [25]. Here, we have an analog for this case:

**Theorem 7.**Let N be a zero-symmetric near-ring. Then, every N-ideal SU-action over U is an N-group SU-action over U.

© 2016 NSP Natural Sciences Publishing Cor. *Proof.*Let  $f_{\Gamma}$  be an *N*-ideal *SU*-action of  $\Gamma$  over *U*. Since  $f_{\Gamma}(n(x+y) - nx) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(y)$ , for all  $x, y \in \Gamma$  and  $n \in N$ , in particular for  $x = 0_{\Gamma}$ , it follows that  $f_{\Gamma}(n(0_{\Gamma} + y) - n0_{\Gamma}) = f_{\Gamma}(ny - 0_{\Gamma}) = f_{\Gamma}(ny) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(y)$ . Since the other conditions is satisfied by Definition 9,  $f_{\Gamma}$  is an *N*-group *SU*-action over *U*.

In [32], Sezgin et al. showed that  $\wedge$ -product of two *N*-ideal *SI*-actions over *U* is an *N*-ideal *SI*-action over *U*. However, we have the following for *N*-ideal *SU*-action:

**Theorem 8.** If  $f_{\Gamma}$  is an N-ideal SU-action of  $\Gamma$  and  $f_{\Delta}$  is an N-ideal SU-action of  $\Delta$  over U, then  $f_{\Gamma} \vee f_{\Delta}$  is an Nideal SU-action of  $\Gamma \times \Delta$  over U.

*Proof.*Let  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)$  and  $(n_1, n_2) \in N \times N$ . Then  $f_{\Gamma \lor \Delta}((x_1, y_1) - (x_2, y_2)) \subseteq f_{\Gamma \lor \Delta}(x_1, y_1) \cup f_{\Gamma \lor \Delta}(x_2, y_2)$ can be shown similar to Theorem 5. Now,  $f_{\Gamma \lor \Delta}((x_1, y_1) + (x_2, y_2) - (x_1, y_1)) = f_{\Gamma \lor \Delta}(x_1 + x_2 - x_1, y_1 + y_2 - y_1)$   $= f_{\Gamma}(x_1 + x_2 - x_1) \cup f_{\Delta}(y_1 + y_2 - y_1)$  $\subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x_2) \cup f_{\Delta}(y_2)$ 

 $=f_{\Gamma\vee\Delta}(x_2,y_2),$ 

and

$$\begin{split} &f_{\Gamma \lor \Delta}((n_1, n_2)((x_1, y_1) + (x_2, y_2)) - (n_1, n_2)(x_1, y_1))) \\ &= f_{\Gamma \lor \Delta}(n_1(x_1 + x_2) - n_1x_1, n_2(y_1 + y_2) - n_2y_1) \\ &= f_{\Gamma}(n_1(x_1 + x_2) - n_1x_1) \cup f_{\Delta}(n_2(y_1 + y_2) - n_2y_1) \\ &\subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x_2) \cup f_{\Delta}(y_2) \\ &= f_{\Gamma \lor \Delta}(x_2, y_2). \end{split}$$

Therefore,  $f_{\Gamma} \vee f_{\Delta}$  is an *N*-ideal *SU*-action of  $\Gamma \times \Delta$  over *U*.

In [32], Sezgin et al. showed that if  $f_{\Gamma}$  and  $h_{\Gamma}$  are two *N*-ideal *SI*-actions of  $\Gamma$  over *U*, then so is  $f_{\Gamma} \cap h_{\Gamma}$  over *U*. However, we have the following for *N*-ideal *SU*-actions:

**Theorem 9.** If  $f_{\Gamma}$  and  $h_{\Gamma}$  are two N-ideal SU-actions of  $\Gamma$  over U, then  $f_{\Gamma} \widetilde{\cup} h_{\Gamma}$  is an N-ideal SU-action of  $\Gamma$  over U.

*Proof*.Let  $x, y \in \Gamma$  and  $n \in N$ . Then,

$$(f_{\Gamma}\widetilde{\cup}h_{\Gamma})(x-y)\subseteq (f_{\Gamma}\widetilde{\cup}h_{\Gamma})(x)\cup (f_{\Gamma}\widetilde{\cup}h_{\Gamma})(y)$$

can be shown similar to Theorem 6. Now,

$$(f_{\Gamma}\widetilde{\cup}h_{\Gamma})(x+y-x) = f_{\Gamma}(x+y-x) \cup h_{\Gamma}(x+y-x)$$
  

$$\subseteq f_{\Gamma}(y) \cup h_{\Gamma}(y)$$
  

$$= (f_{\Gamma}\widetilde{\cup}h_{\Gamma})(y)$$
  

$$(f_{N}\widetilde{\cup}h_{N})(n(x+y)-nx) = f_{N}(n(x+y)-nx) \cup h_{N}(n(x+y)-nx)$$
  

$$\subseteq f_{N}(y) \cup h_{N}(y)$$
  

$$= (f_{N}\widetilde{\cup}h_{N})(y)$$

Therefore,  $f_{\Gamma} \widetilde{\cup} h_{\Gamma}$  is an *N*-ideal *SU*-action of  $\Gamma$  over *U*.

# **4 Applications of** *N***-group** *SU***-actions and** *N***-ideal** *SU***-actions**

In this section, first we obtain the relation between N-ideal SI-action and N-ideal SU-action of an N-group over U and then give the applications of soft pre-image, soft anti image, lower  $\alpha$ -inclusion of soft sets and N-homomorphism to N-group theory with respect to N-group SU-actions and N-ideal SU-actions.

**Theorem 10.**Let  $f_{\Gamma}$  be a soft set over U. Then,  $f_{\Gamma}$  is an N-ideal SU-action of  $\Gamma$  over U if and only if  $f_{\Gamma}^c$  is an N-ideal SI-action of  $\Gamma$  over U.

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*Proof.*Let  $f_{\Gamma}$  be an *N*-ideal *SU*-action of  $\Gamma$  over *U*. Then, for all  $x, y \in \Gamma$  and  $n \in N$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} f_{\Gamma}^{c}(x-y) &= U \setminus f_{\Gamma}(x-y) \\ &\supseteq U \setminus \left( \left( f_{\Gamma}(x) \cup f_{\Gamma}(y) \right) \right) \\ &= \left( U \setminus f_{\Gamma}(x) \right) \cap \left( U \setminus f_{\Gamma}(y) \right) \\ &= f_{\Gamma}^{c}(x) \cap f_{\Gamma}^{c}(y), \end{aligned}$$

Also,

$$f_{\Gamma}^{c}(x+y-x) = U \setminus f_{\Gamma}(x+y-x)$$
$$\supseteq U \setminus (f_{\Gamma}(y))$$
$$= f_{\Gamma}^{c}(y)$$

Furthermore,

$$f_{\Gamma}^{c}(n(x+y) - nx) = U \setminus f_{\Gamma}(n(x+y) - nx)$$
  

$$\supseteq U \setminus (f_{\Gamma}(y))$$
  

$$= f_{\Gamma}^{c}(y)$$

which shows that  $f_{\Gamma}^c$  is an *N*-ideal *SI*-action of  $\Gamma$  over *U*. The converse can be shown similarly.

**Theorem 11.***If*  $f_{\Gamma}$  *is an N*-*ideal SU*-*action of*  $\Gamma$  *over U*, *then*  $\Gamma_f = \{x \in \Gamma : f_{\Gamma}(x) = f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma})\}$  *is an N*-*ideal of*  $\Gamma$ .

*Proof.*It is obvious that  $0_{\Gamma} \in \Gamma_f \subseteq \Gamma$ . We need to show that (i)  $x - y \in \Gamma_f$ , (ii)  $\gamma + x - \gamma \in \Gamma_f$  and (iii)  $n(\gamma + x) - n\gamma \in \Gamma_f$ for all  $x, y \in \Gamma_f$  and  $n \in N$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . If  $x, y \in \Gamma_f$ , then  $f_{\Gamma}(x) = f_{\Gamma}(y) = f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma})$ . By Proposition 1,

 $f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma}) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x-y), f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma}) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(\gamma+x-\gamma) \text{ and } f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma}) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(n(\gamma+x)-n\gamma)$ for all  $n \in N, x, y \in \Gamma_{f}$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Since  $f_{\Gamma}$  is an *N*-ideal *SU*-action of  $\Gamma$  over *U*, then for all  $n \in N, x, y \in \Gamma_{f}$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ 

(i) 
$$f_{\Gamma}(x-y) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x) \cup f_{\Gamma}(y) = f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma}),$$
  
(ii)  $f_{\Gamma}(\gamma+x-\gamma) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x) = f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma})$  and  
(iii)  $f_{\Gamma}(n(\gamma+x)-n\gamma) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x) = f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma}).$ 

Hence,

 $f_{\Gamma}(x-y) = f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma}), f_{\Gamma}(\gamma+x-\gamma) = f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma}) \text{ and } f_{\Gamma}(n(\gamma+x)-n\gamma) = f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma})$ for all  $n \in N$ ,  $x, y \in \Gamma_f$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Therefore,  $\Gamma_f$  is an *N*-ideal of  $\Gamma$ .

**Theorem 12.**[32] Let  $f_{\Gamma}$  be a soft set over U and  $\alpha$  be a subset of U such that  $\emptyset \subseteq \alpha \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma})$ . If  $f_{\Gamma}$  is an N-ideal SI-action over U, then  $f_{\Gamma}^{\supseteq \alpha}$  is an N-ideal of  $\Gamma$ .

**Theorem 13.**Let  $f_{\Gamma}$  be a soft set over U and  $\alpha$  be a subset of U such that  $\emptyset \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma}) \subseteq \alpha$ . If  $f_{\Gamma}$  is an N-ideal SU-action of  $\Gamma$  over U, then  $f_{\Gamma}^{\subseteq \alpha}$  is an ideal of  $\Gamma$ .

*Proof.*Since  $f_{\Gamma}(0_{\Gamma}) \subseteq \alpha$ , then  $0_{\Gamma} \in f_{\Gamma}^{\subseteq \alpha}$  and  $\emptyset \neq f_{\Gamma}^{\subseteq \alpha} \subseteq \Gamma$ . Let  $x, y \in f_{\Gamma}^{\subseteq \alpha}$ , then

$$f_{\Gamma}(x) \subseteq \alpha$$
 and  $f_{\Gamma}(y) \subseteq \alpha$ 

We need to show that  $(i) x - y \in f_{\Gamma}^{\subseteq \alpha}$ ,  $(ii) \gamma + x - \gamma \in f_{\Gamma}^{\subseteq \alpha}$  and  $(iii) n(\gamma + x) - n\gamma \in f_{\Gamma}^{\subseteq \alpha}$  for all  $x, y \in f_{\Gamma}^{\subseteq \alpha}$ ,  $n \in N$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Since  $f_{\Gamma}$  is an *N*-ideal *SI*-action of  $\Gamma$  over *U*, it follows that

$$f_{\Gamma}(x-y) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x) \cup f_{\Gamma}(y) \subseteq \alpha \cup \alpha = \alpha,$$
  
$$f_{\Gamma}(\gamma+x-\gamma) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x) \subseteq \alpha \text{ and}$$
  
$$f_{\Gamma}(n(\gamma+x)-n) \subseteq f_{\Gamma}(x) \subseteq \alpha.$$

Thus, the proof is completed.

**Theorem 14.**[32] Let  $f_{\Gamma}$  and  $f_{\Delta}$  be soft sets over U and  $\Psi$  be an N-isomorphism from  $\Gamma$  to  $\Delta$ . If  $f_{\Gamma}$  is an N-ideal SI-action of  $\Gamma$  over U, then  $\Psi(f_{\Gamma})$  is an N-ideal SI-action of  $\Delta$  over U.

**Theorem 15.**Let  $f_{\Gamma}$  and  $f_{\Delta}$  be soft sets over U and  $\Psi$  be an N-isomorphism from  $\Gamma$  to  $\Delta$ . If  $f_{\Gamma}$  is an N-ideal SUaction of  $\Gamma$  over U, then  $\Psi^{\star}(f_{\Gamma})$  is an N-ideal SU-action of  $\Delta$  over U.

*Proof.*Let  $f_{\Gamma}$  be an *N*-ideal *SU*-action of  $\Gamma$  over *U*. Then,  $f_{\Gamma}^c$  is an *N*-ideal *SI*-action of  $\Gamma$  over *U* by Theorem 10 and  $\Psi(f_{\Gamma}^c)$  is an *N*-ideal *SI*-action of  $\Delta$  over *U* by Theorem 14. Thus,  $\Psi(f_{\Gamma}^c) = (\Psi^*(f_{\Gamma}))^c$  is an *N*-ideal *SI*-action of  $\Delta$  over *U* by Theorem 1 (ii). Therefore,  $\Psi^*(f_{\Gamma})$  is an *N*-ideal *SU*-action of  $\Delta$  over *U* by Theorem 10.

**Theorem 16.**[32] Let  $f_{\Gamma}$  and  $f_{\Delta}$  be soft sets over U and  $\Psi$  be an N-homomorphism from N to  $\Delta$ . If  $f_{\Delta}$  is an N-ideal SI-action of  $\Delta$  over U, then  $\Psi^{-1}(f_{\Delta})$  is an N-ideal SI-action of  $\Gamma$  over U.

**Theorem 17.**Let  $f_{\Gamma}$  and  $f_{\Delta}$  be soft sets over U and  $\Psi$  be an N-homomorphism from  $\Gamma$  to  $\Delta$ . If  $f_{\Delta}$  is an N-ideal SUaction of  $\Delta$  over U, then  $\Psi^{-1}(f_{\Delta})$  is an N-ideal SU-action of  $\Gamma$  over U.

*Proof.*Let  $f_{\Delta}$  be an *N*-ideal *SU*-action of  $\Delta$  over *U*. Then,  $f_{\Delta}^{c}$  is an *N*-ideal *SI*-action of  $\Delta$  over *U* by Theorem 10 and  $\Psi^{-1}(f_{\Delta}^{c})$  is an *N*-ideal *SI*-action of  $\Gamma$  over *U* by Theorem 16. Thus,  $\Psi^{-1}(f_{\Delta}^{c}) = (\Psi^{-1}(f_{\Delta}))^{c}$  is an *N*-ideal *SI*-action of  $\Gamma$  over *U* by Theorem 1 (i). Therefore,  $\Psi^{-1}(f_{\Delta})$  is an *N*-ideal *SU*-action of  $\Gamma$  over *U* by Theorem 10.

#### **5** Conclusion

In this paper, we have defined a new kind of *N*-group action on a soft set, called *N*-group *SU*-action. This new concept is very functional for obtaining results in the mean of *N*-group structure, since it brings the soft sets, sets and *N*-groups together. Based on the definition, we have introduced the concept of *N*-ideal *SU*-action of an *N*-group. We have then investigated this notion with respect to soft pre-image, soft anti image and lower  $\alpha$ -inclusion of soft sets. Finally, we obtain the relationship between *N*-group *SI*-action and *N*-group *SU*-action and give some applications of these new concepts to *N*-group theory. To extend this study, one can further study the other algebraic structures such as algebras in view of their *SU*-actions.

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