

## GE-FILTER EXPANSIONS IN GE-ALGEBRAS

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**ABSTRACT.** The notions of GE-filter expansion and  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter are introduced and their properties are investigated. Different ways to create a GE-filter expansion are provided. The notion of good GE-filter expansion is introduced and its properties investigated. The conditions for an image and an inverse image of a  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of a GE-algebra to be a  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter are provided.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Y. Imai and K. Iséki (see [8, 9]) introduced BCK-algebras in 1966 as the algebraic semantics for a non-classical logic with only implication. Various scholars have studied generalized notions of BCK-algebras since then. L. Henkin and T. Skolem introduced Hilbert algebras in the 1950s for research into intuitionistic and other non-classical logics. A. Diego demonstrated that Hilbert algebras constitute a locally finite variety (see [6]). Later, several researchers expanded on the theory of Hilbert algebras (see [5, 7, 10, 12]). The notion of BE-algebra was introduced by H. S. Kim and Y. H. Kim as a generalization of a dual BCK-algebra (see [13]). A. Rezaei et al. discussed relations between Hilbert algebras and BE-algebras (see [15]). Y. B. Jun (see [11]) introduced the notions of expansion of subalgebras (resp., ideals),  $\sigma$ -primary ideals, and residual divisions, and investigated related properties. In the study of algebraic structures, abstraction is an important methodology. As a generalization of Hilbert algebras, R. K. Bandaru et.al. introduced the notion of GE-algebras, and investigated several properties (see [1]). For the general development of GE-algebras,

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the filter theory plays an important role. With this motivation, R. K. Bandaru et. al. introduce the notion of belligerent GE-filters in GE-algebras and studied its properties (see [2]). A. Rezaei et.al. introduced the concept of prominent GE-filters in GE-algebras and discussed its properties (see [16]). R. K. Bandaru et.al. introduced the concept of bordered GE-algebra and investigated its properties (see [3]). Later, M. A. Öztürk et. al. introduced the concept of Strong GE-filters, GE-ideals of bordered GE-algebras and investigated its properties (see [14]). A. Borumand Saeid et. al. introduced the concept of voluntary GE-filters of GE-algebras and investigated its properties (see [4]). S. Z. Song et. al. introduced the concept of imploring GE-filters of GE-algebras and discussed its properties (see [18]).

In this paper, we introduce the notions of GE-filter expansion and  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter and investigate their properties. We provide different ways to create a GE-filter expansion. We introduce the notion of good GE-filter expansion and investigate its properties. Finally, we provide the conditions for an image and an inverse image of a  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of a GE-algebra to be a  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

**Definition 2.1** ([1]). By a *GE-algebra* we mean a nonempty set  $X$  with a constant 1 and a binary operation “ $*$ ” satisfying the following axioms:

$$(GE1) \quad u * u = 1,$$

$$(GE2) \quad 1 * u = u,$$

$$(GE3) \quad u * (v * w) = u * (v * (u * w))$$

for all  $u, v, w \in X$ .

Let  $(X, *, 1)$  be a GE-algebra. Define a binary relation “ $\leq$ ” on  $X$  by  $u \leq v$  if and only if  $u * v = 1$ . We can observe that  $\leq$  is only a reflexive relation on  $X$ .

**Definition 2.2** ([1, 2]). A GE-algebra  $X$  is said to be

- *transitive* if it satisfies:

$$(2.1) \quad (\forall u, v, w \in X) (u * v \leq (w * u) * (w * v)).$$

- *commutative* if it satisfies:

$$(2.2) \quad (\forall u, v \in X) ((u * v) * v = (v * u) * u).$$

**Proposition 2.1** ([1]). *Every GE-algebra  $X$  satisfies the following properties.*

$$(2.3) \quad (\forall u \in X) (u * 1 = 1).$$

$$(2.4) \quad (\forall u, v \in X) (u * (u * v) = u * v).$$

$$(2.5) \quad (\forall u, v \in X) (u \leq v * u).$$

$$(2.6) \quad (\forall u, v, w \in X) (u * (v * w) \leq v * (u * w)).$$

$$(2.7) \quad (\forall u \in X) (1 \leq u \Rightarrow u = 1).$$

$$(2.8) \quad (\forall u, v \in X) (u \leq (v * u) * u).$$

$$(2.9) \quad (\forall u, v \in X) (u \leq (u * v) * v).$$

$$(2.10) \quad (\forall u, v, w \in X) (u \leq v * w \Leftrightarrow v \leq u * w).$$

*If  $X$  is transitive, then*

$$(2.11) \quad (\forall u, v, w \in X) (u \leq v \Rightarrow w * u \leq w * v, v * w \leq u * w).$$

$$(2.12) \quad (\forall u, v, w \in X) (u * v \leq (v * w) * (u * w)).$$

$$(2.13) \quad (\forall u, v, w \in X) (u \leq v, v \leq w \Rightarrow u \leq w).$$

*If  $X$  is commutative, then*

$$(2.14) \quad (\forall u, v, w \in X) (u * (v * w) = v * (u * w)).$$

$$(2.15) \quad (\forall u, v, w \in X) (u * (v * w) = (u * v) * (u * w)).$$

**Theorem 2.1.** *If  $X$  is a commutative GE-algebra then  $X$  is antisymmetric and transitive GE-algebra.*

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be a commutative GE-algebra and  $x, y, z \in X$ . Suppose  $x * y = 1$  and  $y * x = 1$ . Then, by (GE2) and (2.2),  $x = 1 * x = (y * x) * x = (x * y) * y = 1 * y = y$ . Hence  $X$  is antisymmetric GE-algebra. Also, by (2.15) and (2.5),  $(x * y) * ((z * x) * (z * y)) = (x * y) * (z * (x * y)) = 1$ . Hence  $X$  is transitive GE-algebra.  $\square$

**Example 2.1.** Let  $\mathbb{N}$  be the set of all natural numbers and  $*$  be the binary operation on  $\mathbb{N}$  defined by:

$$x * y = \begin{cases} y & \text{if } x = 1; \\ 1 & \text{if } x \neq 1. \end{cases}$$

Then  $(\mathbb{N}, *, 1)$  is not a commutative GE-algebra, since  $(5 * 1) * 1 = 1 \neq (1 * 5) * 5 = 5$ .

**Example 2.2.** Let  $\mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$  and  $*$  be the binary operation on  $\mathbb{N}_0$  defined by:

$$x * y = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } y \leq x; \\ y - x & \text{if } x < y. \end{cases}$$

Then  $(\mathbb{N}_0, *, 0)$  is a commutative GE-algebra.

**Definition 2.3** ([1]). A subset  $F$  of a GE-algebra  $X$  is called a *GE-filter* of  $X$  if it satisfies:

$$(2.16) \quad 1 \in F,$$

$$(2.17) \quad (\forall u, v \in X)(u \in F, u * v \in F \Rightarrow v \in F).$$

**Lemma 2.1** ([1]). In a GE-algebra  $X$ , every GE-filter  $F$  of  $X$  satisfies:

$$(2.18) \quad (\forall u, v \in X)(u \leq v, u \in F \Rightarrow v \in F).$$

**Definition 2.4** ([16]). Let  $X$  be a GE-algebra. Then a mapping  $f : X \rightarrow X$  is called a *GE-endomorphism* if it satisfies:

$$(\forall x, y \in X)(f(x * y) = f(x) * f(y)).$$

Note that the kernel of  $f$  is given by  $\ker(f) = \{x \in X \mid f(x) = 1\}$ .

**Definition 2.5** ([3]). If a GE-algebra  $X$  has a special element, say 0, that satisfies  $0 \leq u$  for all  $u \in X$ , we call  $X$  a *bordered GE-algebra*.

For every element  $u$  of a bordered GE-algebra  $X$ , we denote  $u * 0$  by  $u^0$ , and  $(u^0)^0$  is denoted by  $u^{00}$ .

**Definition 2.6** ([3]). If a bordered GE-algebra  $X$  satisfies the condition (2.1), we say that  $X$  is a *transitive bordered GE-algebra*.

## 3. GE-FILTER EXPANSIONS

In what follows,  $X$  represents a GE-algebra and  $\mathcal{F}(X)$  represents the set of GE-filters in  $X$  unless otherwise stated.

**Definition 3.1.** A *GE-filter expansion* of  $X$  is defined to be a self-map  $\xi$  on  $\mathcal{F}(X)$  that satisfies:

$$(3.1) \quad (\forall A \in \mathcal{F}(X))(A \subseteq \xi(A)),$$

$$(3.2) \quad (\forall A, B \in \mathcal{F}(X))(A \subseteq B \Rightarrow \xi(A) \subseteq \xi(B)).$$

It is clear that the identity self-map  $\xi$  on  $\mathcal{F}(X)$  is a GE-filter expansion in  $X$ .

**Example 3.1.** (1) The constant map  $\xi : \mathcal{F}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(X)$ ,  $A \mapsto X$ , is a GE-filter expansion in  $X$ .

(2) Given a GE-filter  $A$  of  $X$ , the self-map  $\xi$  on  $\mathcal{F}(X)$  given as follows:

$$\xi(A) = \begin{cases} X & \text{if } A = X, \\ \bigcap \left\{ M_A \mid \begin{array}{l} M_A \text{ is a maximal GE-filter of } X, \text{ that is,} \\ \text{it is a proper GE-filter of } X \text{ which is not a} \\ \text{proper subset of any proper GE-filter of } X, \\ \text{which contains } A \end{array} \right\} & \text{if } A \neq X \end{cases}$$

is a GE-filter expansion in  $X$ .

(3) Let  $X = \{1, a, b, c, d, e\}$  be a set with the binary operation “ $*$ ” in the following Cayley Table:

$*$	1	a	b	c	d	e
1	1	a	b	c	d	e
a	1	1	1	1	d	d
b	1	c	1x	c	d	d
c	1	b	b	1	d	e
d	1	a	b	c	1	b
e	1	c	1	c	1	1

Then  $(X, *, 1)$  is a commutative GE-algebra and the set of all GE-filters of  $X$  is

$$\mathcal{F}(X) = \{F_1, F_2, F_3, F_4, F_5, F_6\}$$

where  $F_1 = \{1\}$ ,  $F_2 = \{1, b\}$ ,  $F_3 = \{1, d\}$ ,  $F_4 = \{1, a, b, c\}$ ,  $F_5 = \{1, b, d, e\}$  and  $F_6 = X$ . Let  $\xi$  be a self-map on  $\mathcal{F}(X)$  defined by  $\xi(F_1) = \xi(F_2) = F_2$ ,  $\xi(F_3) = \xi(F_5) = F_5$ ,  $\xi(F_4) = F_4$  and  $\xi(F_6) = F_6$ . It is easy to verify that  $\xi$  is a GE-filter expansion in  $X$ .

Let **us** introduce a way to make a GE-filter expansion.

**Lemma 3.1.** *Every transitive bordered GE-algebra  $X$  satisfies:*

$$(3.3) \quad (\forall x, y \in X)((x * y)^{00} \leq x^{00} * y^{00}).$$

*Proof.* Let  $x, y \in X$ . Then  $(x * y)^{00} \leq (x^{00} * y^{00})^{00}$  by (2.11) and (2.12). Using (GE1), (2.6), (2.9) and (2.11), we have

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= (x^{00} * y^{00}) * (x^{00} * y^{00}) \\ &\leq x^{00} * ((x^{00} * y^{00}) * y^{00}) \\ &\leq x^{00} * (y^0 * (x^{00} * y^{00})^0) \\ &\leq x^{00} * (y^0 * (x^{00} * y^{00})^{000}) \\ &\leq x^{00} * ((x^{00} * y^{00})^{00} * y^{00}) \\ &\leq (x^{00} * y^{00})^{00} * (x^{00} * y^{00}), \end{aligned}$$

and so  $(x^{00} * y^{00})^{00} * (x^{00} * y^{00}) = 1$  by (2.7), that is,  $(x^{00} * y^{00})^{00} \leq x^{00} * y^{00}$ . Now (3.3) follows from (2.13).  $\square$

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $X$  be a transitive bordered GE-algebra. Define a self-map  $\xi$  on  $\mathcal{F}(X)$  as follows:*

$$(3.4) \quad \xi : \mathcal{F}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(X), \quad A \mapsto A^\diamond$$

where  $A^\diamond := \{x \in X \mid x^{00} \in A\}$ . Then  $\xi$  is a GE-filter expansion in  $X$ .

*Proof.* Let  $A, B \in \mathcal{F}(X)$ . We first show that  $A^\diamond$  is a GE-filter of  $X$ . Since  $1^{00} = 1 \in A$ , we have  $1 \in A^\diamond$ . Let  $x, y \in X$  be such that  $x \in A^\diamond$  and  $x * y \in A^\diamond$ . Then  $x^{00} \in A$  and  $(x * y)^{00} \in A$ . Since  $(x * y)^{00} \leq x^{00} * y^{00}$  by Lemma 3.1, it follows from Lemma 2.1 that  $x^{00} * y^{00} \in A$ . Hence  $y^{00} \in A$ , and so  $y \in A^\diamond$ . Therefore  $A^\diamond$  is a GE-filter of  $X$ . Hence we know that the map  $\xi$  is well-defined. Let  $x \in A$ . Since  $x \leq x^{00}$  by (2.9), we have  $x^{00} \in A$  by Lemma 2.1, that is,  $x \in A^\diamond$ . Thus  $A \subseteq A^\diamond$ . Assume that

$A \subseteq B$ . If  $x \in A^\circ$ , then  $x^{00} \in A \subseteq B$  and so  $x \in B^\circ$ . Hence  $\xi(A) = A^\circ \subseteq B^\circ = \xi(B)$ . Consequently,  $\xi$  is a GE-filter expansion in  $X$ .  $\square$

The following example illustrates Theorem 3.1.

**Example 3.2.** Let  $X = \{0, 1, a, b, c, d, e\}$  be a set with the binary operation “ $*$ ” in the following Cayley Table.

$*$	0	1	a	b	c	d	e
0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	0	1	a	b	c	d	e
a	0	1	1	b	e	d	e
b	0	1	1	1	c	d	c
c	d	1	1	1	1	d	1
d	e	1	1	b	e	1	e
e	d	1	1	1	1	d	1

Then  $(X, *, 1)$  is a transitive bordered GE-algebra and all GE-filters of  $X$  are  $F_1 = \{1\}$ ,  $F_2 = \{1, a\}$ ,  $F_3 = \{1, a, b\}$ ,  $F_4 = \{1, a, d\}$ ,  $F_5 = \{1, a, b, d\}$ ,  $F_6 = \{1, a, b, c, e\}$  and  $F_7 = X$ . Hence  $\mathcal{F}(X) = \{F_1, F_2, F_3, F_4, F_5, F_6, F_7\}$ . Define a self-map  $\xi$  on  $\mathcal{F}(X)$  as follows:

$$\xi : \mathcal{F}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(X), A \mapsto \begin{cases} F_3 & \text{if } A \in \{F_1, F_2, F_3\} \\ F_5 & \text{if } A \in \{F_4, F_5\}, \\ F_6 & \text{if } A = F_6, \\ F_7 & \text{if } A = F_7, \end{cases}$$

where  $F_1^\circ = F_2^\circ = F_3^\circ = F_3$ ,  $F_4^\circ = F_5^\circ = F_5$ ,  $F_6^\circ = F_6$  and  $F_7^\circ = F_7$ . It is routine to verify that  $\xi$  is a GE-filter expansion in  $X$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** The intersection of two GE-filter expansions in  $X$  is also a GE-filter expansion in  $X$ , that is, given two GE-filter expansions  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in  $X$ , the intersection  $\xi := \alpha \cap \beta$  on  $\mathcal{F}(X)$  given as follows:

$$\xi := \alpha \cap \beta : \mathcal{F}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(X), A \mapsto \alpha(A) \cap \beta(A)$$

is a GE-filter expansion in  $X$ .

*Proof.* Assume that  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are GE-filter expansions in  $X$ . Let  $A \in \mathcal{F}(X)$ . Then  $A \subseteq \alpha(A)$  and  $A \subseteq \beta(A)$ . Hence  $A \subseteq \alpha(A) \cap \beta(A) = \xi(A)$ . Let  $A, B \in \mathcal{F}(X)$  and  $A \subseteq B$ . Then  $\alpha(A) \subseteq \alpha(B)$  and  $\beta(A) \subseteq \beta(B)$ . Thus

$$\xi(A) = \alpha(A) \cap \beta(A) \subseteq \alpha(B) \cap \beta(B) = \xi(B).$$

Therefore  $\xi$  is a GE-filter expansion in  $X$ .  $\square$

The union of two GE-filter expansions in  $X$  need not be a GE-filter expansion in  $X$ , that is, given two GE-filter expansions  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in  $X$ , the union  $\eta := \alpha \cup \beta$  on  $\mathcal{F}(X)$  given as follows:

$$\eta := \alpha \cup \beta : \mathcal{F}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(X), \quad A \mapsto \alpha(A) \cup \beta(A),$$

is not a GE-filter expansion in  $X$ .

**Example 3.3.** Let  $(X, *, 1)$  be a GE-algebra given in Example 3.1(3). Let  $\alpha$  be the GE-filter expansion  $\xi$ , defined in the Example 3.1(3), and  $\beta$  is the GE-filter expansion defined by

$$\beta(F_1) = \beta(F_3) = F_3, \beta(F_2) = \beta(F_5) = F_5, \beta(F_4) = \beta(F_6) = F_6.$$

But  $\alpha \cup \beta$  is not a GE-filter expansion of  $X$ , since

$$(\alpha \cup \beta)(F_1) = \alpha(F_1) \cup \beta(F_1) = F_2 \cup F_3 = \{1, b, d\} \notin \mathcal{F}(X).$$

**Definition 3.2.** Let  $X$  be a GE-algebra and let  $\xi$  be a GE-filter expansion in  $X$ . Then a GE-filter  $A$  of  $X$  is said to be

- *first  $\xi$ -primary* if it satisfies:

$$(3.5) \quad (\forall x, y \in X)(x \dot{+} y \in A, x \notin A \Rightarrow y \in \xi(A))$$

- *second  $\xi$ -primary* if it satisfies:

$$(3.6) \quad (\forall x, y \in X)(x \dot{+} y \in A, y \notin A \Rightarrow x \in \xi(A))$$

- *$\xi$ -primary* if it is both first  $\xi$ -primary and second  $\xi$ -primary

where  $x \dot{+} y := (x * y) * y$  for all  $x, y \in X$ .

It is clear that if  $X$  is commutative, then the notion of first  $\xi$ -primary coincides with that of second  $\xi$ -primary. In this case, it is only called  $\xi$ -primary.



**Example 3.4.** Consider the GE-filter expansion  $\xi$  in Example 3.1(3). It is routine to verify that  $F_4 := \{1, a, b, c\}$ ,  $F_5 = \{1, b, d, e\}$  and  $F_6 = X$  are  $\xi$ -primary GE-filters of  $X$ . But  $F_1 = \{1\}$ ,  $F_2 = \{1, b\}$  and  $F_3 = \{1, d\}$  are not  $\xi$ -primary because of

$$(a * d) * d = d * d = 1 \in F_1 \text{ and } a \notin F_1 \text{ but } d \notin \xi(F_1) = F_2,$$

$$(a * d) * d = d * d = 1 \in F_2 \text{ and } a \notin F_2 \text{ but } d \notin \xi(F_2) = F_2,$$

$$(b * c) * c = c * c = 1 \in F_3 \text{ and } b \notin F_3 \text{ but } c \notin \xi(F_3) = F_5.$$

**Example 3.5.** Let  $X = \{1, a, b, c, d, e\}$  be a set with the binary operation “ $*$ ” in the following Cayley Table:

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

Then  $(X, *, 1)$  is a GE-algebra and the set of all GE-filters of  $X$  is

$$\mathcal{F}(X) = \{F_1, F_2, F_3, F_4, F_5\}$$

where  $F_1 = \{1\}$ ,  $F_2 = \{1, b, e\}$ ,  $F_3 = \{1, b, c, e\}$ ,  $F_4 = \{1, a, b, d, e\}$  and  $F_5 = X$ . Let  $\xi$  be a self-map on  $\mathcal{F}(X)$  defined by  $\xi(F_1) = \xi(F_2) = F_2$ ,  $\xi(F_3) = F_3$ ,  $\xi(F_4) = F_4$  and  $\xi(F_5) = F_5$ . It is easy to verify that  $\xi$  is a GE-filter expansion in  $X$ . Also, we can observe that  $F_3$  is a first  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of  $X$  and  $F_4$  is a second  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of  $X$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $\xi$  and  $\eta$  be GE-filter expansions in  $X$  that satisfies:

$$(3.7) \quad (\forall A \in \mathcal{F}(X))(\xi(A) \subseteq \eta(A)).$$

Then every first (resp., second)  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter is a first (resp., second)  $\eta$ -primary GE-filter.

*Proof.* Let  $B$  be a first  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of  $X$  and let  $x, y \in X$  be such that  $x \dot{+} y \in B$  and  $x \notin B$ . Then  $y \in \xi(B) \subseteq \eta(B)$  by (3.7). Hence  $B$  is a first  $\eta$ -primary

GE-filter of  $X$ . Similarly, if  $B$  is a second  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter, then it is a second  $\eta$ -primary GE-filter.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.1.** *If  $\xi$  and  $\eta$  are GE-filter expansions in  $X$  that satisfy (3.7), then every  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter is an  $\eta$ -primary GE-filter.*

**Proposition 3.1.** *Let  $\xi$  be a GE-filter expansion in  $X$ . Then every first  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter  $A$  of  $X$  satisfies:*

$$(3.8) \quad (\forall F, G \in \mathcal{F}(X))(F \dot{+} G \subseteq A, F \not\subseteq A \Rightarrow G \subseteq \xi(A))$$

where  $F \dot{+} G = \{x \dot{+} y \mid x \in F, y \in G\}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be a first  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of  $X$  and let  $F, G \in \mathcal{F}(X)$  be such that  $F \dot{+} G \subseteq A$  and  $F \not\subseteq A$ . If  $G \not\subseteq \xi(A)$ , then there exist  $r \in F \setminus A$  and  $s \in G \setminus \xi(A)$ , such that  $r \dot{+} s \in F \dot{+} G \subseteq A$ . But  $r \notin A$  and  $s \notin \xi(A)$ . This contradicts the assumption that  $A$  is  $\xi$ -primary. Hence  $A$  satisfies (3.8).  $\square$

Similarly, we have the following result.

**Proposition 3.2.** *Let  $\xi$  be a GE-filter expansion in  $X$ . Then every second  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter  $A$  of  $X$  satisfies:*

$$(3.9) \quad (\forall F, G \in \mathcal{F}(X))(F \dot{+} G \subseteq A, G \not\subseteq A \Rightarrow F \subseteq \xi(A)).$$

We provide one way to create a new GE-filter expansion using a given GE-filter expansion.

**Theorem 3.4.** *Let  $\alpha$  be a GE-filter expansion in a commutative GE-algebra  $X$ . Define a self-map  $\xi_\alpha$  on  $\mathcal{F}(X)$  as follows:*

$$(3.10) \quad \xi_\alpha : \mathcal{F}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(X), \quad A \mapsto \bigcap \{B \in \mathcal{F}(X) \mid A \subseteq B \text{ and } B \text{ is } \alpha\text{-primary}\}.$$

*Then  $\xi_\alpha$  is a GE-filter expansion in  $X$ .*

*Proof.* It is clear that  $A \subseteq \xi_\alpha(A)$  for all  $A \in \mathcal{F}(X)$ . Let  $F, G \in \mathcal{F}(X)$  be such that  $F \subseteq G$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\xi_\alpha(F) &= \bigcap \{B \in \mathcal{F}(X) \mid F \subseteq B \text{ and } B \text{ is } \alpha\text{-primary}\} \\ &\subseteq \bigcap \{B \in \mathcal{F}(X) \mid G \subseteq B \text{ and } B \text{ is } \alpha\text{-primary}\} \\ &= \xi_\alpha(G).\end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\xi_\alpha$  is a GE-filter expansion in  $X$ . □

Given a nonempty subset  $A$  of a GE-algebra  $X$  and an element  $a$  in  $X$ , consider the following set:

$$(3.11) \quad a^{-1}A := \{x \in X \mid (a * x) * x \in A\}.$$

It is clear that if  $A$  and  $B$  are nonempty subsets of  $X$  and  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $a^{-1}A \subseteq a^{-1}B$  for all  $a \in X$ .

The following example shows that  $a^{-1}A$  is not a GE-filter of  $X$ .

**Example 3.6.** Let  $X = \{1, a, b, c, d, e\}$  be a set with the binary operation “ $*$ ” in the following Cayley Table:

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

Then  $(X, *, 1)$  is a GE-algebra. Let  $A = \{1, a, b\}$  and  $e \in X$ . Then it is easy to see that  $e^{-1}A = \{1, a, b, c, d\}$ . But  $e^{-1}A$  is not a GE-filter of  $X$  since  $b * e = 1 \in e^{-1}A$  and  $b \in e^{-1}A$  but  $e \notin e^{-1}A$ .

We provide conditions for the set  $a^{-1}A$  to be a GE-filter.

**Lemma 3.2.** *Every commutative GE-algebra  $X$  satisfies:*

$$(3.12) \quad (\forall x, y \in X)((x * y) * y) * y = x * y).$$

$$(3.13) \quad (\forall a, x, y \in X)(a \dot{+} (x * y) \leq (a \dot{+} x) * (a \dot{+} y)).$$

*Proof.* For every  $x, y \in X$ , we have  $x * y \leq ((x * y) * y) * y$  by (GE1) and (2.14). On the other hand, we get

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= (x * ((x * y) * y)) * (((x * y) * y) * y * (x * y)) \\ &= ((x * y) * (x * y)) * (((x * y) * y) * y * (x * y)) \\ &= 1 * (((x * y) * y) * y * (x * y)) \\ &= (((x * y) * y) * y) * (x * y) \end{aligned}$$

by (GE1), (GE2), (2.12) and (2.14), that is,  $((x * y) * y) * y \leq x * y$ . Since every commutative GE-algebra is antisymmetric, it follows that  $((x * y) * y) * y = x * y$ , i.e., (3.12) is valid. Let  $a, x, y \in X$ . Using (2.12), (2.14), (2.15) and (3.12), we have

$$\begin{aligned} &(a \dot{+} (x * y)) * ((a \dot{+} x) * (a \dot{+} y)) \\ &= ((x * y) \dot{+} a) * ((x \dot{+} a) * (y \dot{+} a)) \\ &= ((x * y) \dot{+} a) * ((x \dot{+} a) * ((y * a) * a)) \\ &= ((x * y) \dot{+} a) * ((y * a) * ((x \dot{+} a) * a)) \\ &= ((x * y) \dot{+} a) * ((y * a) * (((x * a) * a) * a)) \\ &= ((x * y) \dot{+} a) * ((y * a) * (x * a)) \\ &= (y * a) * (((x * y) \dot{+} a) * (x * a)) \\ &= (y * a) * (x * (((x * y) \dot{+} a) * a)) \\ &= (y * a) * (x * (((x * y) * a) * a * a)) \\ &= (y * a) * (x * ((x * y) * a)) \\ &= (y * a) * ((x * y) * (x * a)) \\ &= (x * y) * ((y * a) * (x * a)) = 1, \end{aligned}$$

which shows that (3.13) is valid. □

**Theorem 3.5.** *If  $A$  is a GE-filter of a commutative GE-algebra  $X$ , then  $a^{-1}A$  is a GE-filter of  $X$  which contains  $A$ .*

*Proof.* Assume that  $A$  is a GE-filter of  $X$ . It is clear that  $1 \in a^{-1}A$ . Let  $x, y \in X$  be such that  $x * y \in a^{-1}A$  and  $x \in a^{-1}A$ . Then  $a \dot{+} (x * y) \in A$  and  $a \dot{+} x \in A$ . Hence  $(a \dot{+} x) * (a \dot{+} y) \in A$  by Lemma 2.1 and (3.13), which implies from (2.17) that  $a \dot{+} y \in A$ , i.e.,  $y \in a^{-1}A$ . Therefore  $a^{-1}A$  is a GE-filter of  $X$ . Let  $y \in A$ . Since  $y \leq (a * y) * y = a \dot{+} y$  by (2.8), it follows from Lemma 2.1 that  $a \dot{+} y \in A$ , that is,  $y \in a^{-1}A$ . Thus  $A$  is contained in  $a^{-1}A$ , and the proof is complete.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.3.** *Given a nonempty subset  $A$  of a GE-algebra  $X$  and an element  $a$  in  $X$ , we have*

- (1) *If  $a^{-1}A = X$ , then  $a \in A$ .*
- (2) *If  $A$  is a GE-filter of  $X$ , then*

$$(3.14) \quad a \in A \Rightarrow a^{-1}A = X.$$

- (3) *If  $X$  is commutative and  $A$  is a GE-filter of  $X$ , then*

$$(3.15) \quad (\forall x, y \in X)(x \leq y \Rightarrow x^{-1}A \subseteq y^{-1}A).$$

*Proof.* (1) If  $a^{-1}A = X$ , then  $a \in a^{-1}A$  and so  $a = 1 * a = (a * a) * a \in A$  by (GE1) and (GE2).

(2) Assume that  $A$  is a GE-filter of  $X$  and let  $a \in A$ . It is clear that  $a^{-1}A \subseteq X$ . If  $x \in X$ , then  $a \leq (a * x) * x$  by (2.9) and so  $(a * x) * x \in A$  by Lemma 2.1, that is,  $x \in a^{-1}A$ . Thus  $a^{-1}A = X$ .

(3) Assume that  $X$  is commutative and  $A$  is a GE-filter of  $X$ . Now let  $x, y \in X$  be such that  $x \leq y$ . Then  $y * a \leq x * a$ , and so

$$(3.16) \quad x \dot{+} a = (x * a) * a \leq (y * a) * a = y \dot{+} a$$

for all  $a \in X$  by (2.11). If  $z \in x^{-1}A$ , then  $x \dot{+} z \in A$  which implies from Lemma 2.1 and (3.16) that  $y \dot{+} z \in A$ , that is,  $z \in y^{-1}A$ . Hence  $x^{-1}A \subseteq y^{-1}A$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.6.** *Let  $X$  be a commutative GE-algebra. Given an element  $a$  of  $X$ , the self-map  $\xi_a$  on  $\mathcal{F}(X)$  defined as follows:*

$$(3.17) \quad \xi_a : \mathcal{F}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(X), \quad A \mapsto a^{-1}A$$

*is a GE-filter expansion in  $X$ .*

*Proof.* It is derived from Theorem 3.5. □

**Lemma 3.3.** *Every commutative GE-algebra  $X$  satisfies:*

$$(3.18) \quad (\forall x, y, z \in X)(x \leq y \Rightarrow x \dot{+} z \leq y \dot{+} z),$$

$$(3.19) \quad (\forall x, y, z \in X)(x \leq z, y \leq z \Rightarrow x \dot{+} y \leq z).$$

*Proof.* Let  $x, y \in X$  be such that  $x \leq y$ . Then  $y * z \leq x * z$  by (2.11), and hence  $x \dot{+} z = (x * z) * z \leq (y * z) * z = y \dot{+} z$  for all  $x \in X$ . This proves (3.18). Let  $x, y, z \in X$  be such that  $x \leq z$  and  $y \leq z$ . Then  $x \dot{+} z \leq z \dot{+} z = z$  and  $x \dot{+} y = y \dot{+} x \leq z \dot{+} x = x \dot{+} z$ . Hence  $x \dot{+} y \leq z$  since  $X$  is commutative and hence transitive. Therefore (3.19) is valid. □

**Lemma 3.4.** *If  $X$  is a commutative GE-algebra, then  $(X, \dot{+})$  is a semigroup.*

*Proof.* Let  $x, y, z \in X$ . Then  $x * (x \dot{+} y) = 1$  and  $(x \dot{+} y) * ((x \dot{+} y) \dot{+} z) = 1$  by (2.9). Hence  $x \leq (x \dot{+} y)$  and  $x \dot{+} y \leq (x \dot{+} y) \dot{+} z$ . Since  $X$  is commutative, we get  $x \leq (x \dot{+} y) \dot{+} z$ . Since, by (2.8),  $y * (x \dot{+} y) = 1$ , we get  $(y \dot{+} z) * ((x \dot{+} y) \dot{+} z) = 1$  by (3.18). Thus  $y \dot{+} z \leq (x \dot{+} y) \dot{+} z$  which implies from Lemma 3.3 that  $x \dot{+} (y \dot{+} z) \leq (x \dot{+} y) \dot{+} z$ . Similarly, we can show that  $(x \dot{+} y) \dot{+} z \leq x \dot{+} (y \dot{+} z)$ . Since  $X$  is commutative, we get  $x \dot{+} (y \dot{+} z) = (x \dot{+} y) \dot{+} z$ . Therefore  $(X, \dot{+})$  is a semigroup. □

**Theorem 3.7.** *Let  $\xi$  be a GE-filter expansion in a commutative GE-algebra  $X$  and let  $B$  be a  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of  $X$ . If  $A$  is a GE-filter of  $X$ , then the set  $\bigcap_{a \in A} a^{-1}B$  is a  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of  $X$ . Also, if  $F$  is a GE-filter of  $X$  which is not contained in  $\xi(B)$ , then  $B = \bigcap_{x \in F} x^{-1}B$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be a GE-filter of  $X$ . Then  $\bigcap_{a \in A} a^{-1}B$  is a GE-filter of  $X$  which contains  $B$  by Theorem 3.5. Assume that  $B$  is  $\xi$ -primary and let  $x, y \in X$  be such that

$x \dot{+} y \in \bigcap_{a \in A} a^{-1}B$  and  $x \notin \bigcap_{a \in A} a^{-1}B$ . Then  $a \dot{+} x \notin B$  for some  $a \in A$  and so  $(a \dot{+} x) \dot{+} y = a \dot{+} (x \dot{+} y) \in B$  by Lemma 3.4. Since  $B$  is  $\xi$ -primary and  $a \dot{+} x \notin B$ , we have  $y \in \xi(B)$ . Hence  $y \in \xi(B) \subseteq \xi\left(\bigcap_{a \in A} a^{-1}B\right)$ . Therefore  $\bigcap_{a \in A} a^{-1}B$  is a  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of  $X$ . Now, assume that  $F$  is a GE-filter of  $X$  which is not contained in  $\xi(B)$ . It is clear that  $B \subseteq \bigcap_{x \in F} x^{-1}B$  by Theorem 3.5. Let  $z \in F \dot{+} \bigcap_{x \in F} x^{-1}B$ . Then  $z = a \dot{+} y$  for some  $a \in F$  and  $y \in \bigcap_{x \in F} x^{-1}B$ . It follows that  $z = a \dot{+} y \in B$ . Hence

$$F \dot{+} \bigcap_{x \in F} x^{-1}B \subseteq B.$$

Since  $F \not\subseteq \xi(B)$ , we have  $\bigcap_{x \in F} x^{-1}B \subseteq B$  by Proposition 3.2. Therefore  $B = \bigcap_{x \in F} x^{-1}B$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 3.5** ([16, 17]). *Given a GE-morphism  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ , we have*

- (1) *If  $G$  is a GE-filter of  $Y$ , then  $f^{-1}(G)$  is a GE-filter of  $X$ .*
- (2) *If  $f$  is onto and  $F$  is a GE-filter of  $X$ , then  $f(F)$  is a GE-filter of  $Y$ .*

**Definition 3.3.** Let  $X$  be a GE-algebra and  $f : X \rightarrow X$  a GE-endomorphism. A GE-filter expansion  $\xi$  in  $X$  is called  *$f$ -good* (or good with respect to  $f$ ) if

$$(3.20) \quad (\forall A \in \mathcal{F}(X))(\xi(f^{-1}(A)) = f^{-1}(\xi(A))).$$

**Example 3.7.** (1) *The identity self-map  $\xi$  on  $\mathcal{F}(X)$  is a good GE-filter expansion in  $X$ .*

(2) *Let  $X = \{1, a, b, c, d, e\}$  be a set with the binary operation “ $*$ ” in the following Cayley Table:*

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

*Then  $(X, *, 1)$  is a GE-algebra and the set of all GE-filters of  $X$  is*

$$\mathcal{F}(X) = \{F_1, F_2, F_3, F_4, F_5\}$$

where  $F_1 = \{1\}$ ,  $F_2 = \{1, e\}$ ,  $F_3 = \{1, c, d, e\}$ ,  $F_4 = \{1, a, b, e\}$  and  $F_5 = X$ . Define a self-map  $f : X \rightarrow X$  defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in \{1, e\}, \\ a & \text{if } x \in \{a, b\}, \\ d & \text{if } x \in \{c, d\}. \end{cases}$$

Then we can observe that  $f$  is a GE-endomorphism. Also,  $f^{-1}(F_1) = f^{-1}(F_2) = F_2$ ,  $f^{-1}(F_3) = F_3$ ,  $f^{-1}(F_4) = F_4$  and  $f^{-1}(F_5) = F_5$ . Let  $\xi$  be a self-map on  $\mathcal{F}(X)$  defined by  $\xi(F_1) = \xi(F_2) = F_2$ ,  $\xi(F_3) = F_3$ ,  $\xi(F_4) = F_4$  and  $\xi(F_5) = F_5$ . It is routine to verify that  $\xi$  is a  $f$ -good GE-filter expansion in  $X$ .

**Theorem 3.8.** *Let  $f : X \rightarrow X$  be a GE-endomorphism and  $\xi$  an  $f$ -good GE-filter expansion in  $X$ . If  $A$  is a first (resp., second)  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of  $X$ , then so is  $f^{-1}(A)$ .*

*Proof.* Assume that  $\xi$  is a  $f$ -good GE-filter expansion in  $X$ . If  $A$  is a first  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of  $X$ , then  $A$  is a GE-filter of  $X$  and so  $f^{-1}(A)$  is a GE-filter of  $X$  by Lemma 3.5(1). Let  $x, y \in X$  be such that  $x \dot{+} y \in f^{-1}(A)$  and  $x \notin f^{-1}(A)$ . Then  $f(x) \notin A$  and

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) \dot{+} f(y) &= (f(x) * f(y)) * f(y) \\ &= f(x * y) * f(y) \\ &= f((x * y) * y) \\ &= f(x \dot{+} y) \in f(f^{-1}(A)) \subseteq A. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $A$  is a first  $\xi$ -primary, it follows that  $f(y) \in \xi(A)$ . Hence  $y \in f^{-1}(\xi(A)) = \xi(f^{-1}(A))$ , and therefore  $f^{-1}(A)$  is a first  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of  $X$ . Similarly, if  $A$  is a second  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of  $X$ , then  $f^{-1}(A)$  is a second  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of  $X$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.2.** *Let  $f : X \rightarrow X$  be a GE-endomorphism and  $\xi$  an  $f$ -good GE-filter expansion in a commutative GE-algebra  $X$ . If  $A$  is a  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of  $X$ , then so is  $f^{-1}(A)$ .*



**Lemma 3.6.** *Let  $f : X \rightarrow X$  be a GE-endomorphism. If  $A$  is a GE-filter of  $X$  that contains the kernel of  $f$ , then  $f^{-1}(f(A)) = A$ .*

*Proof.* It is sufficient to show that  $f^{-1}(f(A)) \subseteq A$ . If  $x \in f^{-1}(f(A))$ , then  $f(x) \in f(A)$  and so  $f(x) = f(y)$  for some  $y \in A$ . Hence  $f(y * x) = f(y) * f(x) = 1$ , which implies that  $y * x \in \ker(f) \subseteq A$ . Thus  $x \in A$ . This shows that  $f^{-1}(f(A)) \subseteq A$ , and the proof is complete.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.9.** *Let  $f : X \rightarrow X$  be a GE-endomorphism and  $\xi$  an  $f$ -good GE-filter expansion in  $X$ . Let  $A$  be a GE-filter of  $X$  that contains the kernel of  $f$ .*

- (1) *If  $f(A)$  is a first (resp., second)  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of  $X$ , then so is  $A$ .*
- (2) *If  $f$  is a one-to-one and onto GE-morphism, that is,  $f$  is a GE-automorphism, and  $A$  is a first (resp., second)  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of  $X$ , then  $f(A)$  is also a first (resp., second)  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of  $X$ .*

*Proof.* (1) Assume that  $f(A)$  is a first (resp., second)  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of  $X$ . Then  $A = f^{-1}(f(A))$  is a first (resp., second)  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of  $X$  by Theorem 3.8 and Lemma 3.6.

(2) Assume that  $f$  is a one-to-one and onto GE-morphism and let  $A$  be a first  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of  $X$ . Then  $f(A)$  is a GE-filter of  $X$  by Lemma 3.5. Using (3.20) and Lemma 3.6, we have

$$\xi(A) = \xi(f^{-1}(f(A))) = f^{-1}(\xi(f(A))),$$

and so

$$f(\xi(A)) = f(f^{-1}(\xi(f(A)))) = \xi(f(A)).$$

Let  $x, y \in X$  be such that  $x \dot{+} y \in f(A)$  and  $x \notin f(A)$ . Then  $f(a) = x$  and  $f(b) = y$  for some  $a, b \in X$ . Hence

$$f(a \dot{+} b) = f(a) \dot{+} f(b) = x \dot{+} y \in f(A),$$

and so  $a \dot{+} b \in f^{-1}(f(A)) = A$ . Since  $f(a) = x \notin f(A)$ , we have  $a \notin A$ . Since  $A$  is first  $\xi$ -primary, we have  $b \in \xi(A)$  and so  $y = f(b) \in f(\xi(A)) = \xi(f(A))$ . Therefore  $f(A)$  is a first  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of  $X$ . Similarly, if  $A$  is a second  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of  $X$ , then  $f(A)$  is also a second  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of  $X$ .  $\square$

## 4. CONCLUSION

We have introduced the notions of GE-filter expansion and  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter and investigated their properties. We have provided different ways to create a GE-filter expansion. We have introduced the concept of good GE-filter expansion and investigated its properties. We have provided the conditions for an image and an inverse image of  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter of a GE-algebra to be a  $\xi$ -primary GE-filter.

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