



Properties of Composition of Fuzzy Relations and its Verifications

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Abstract: This paper, deals with fundamental notions in pure and applied sciences, i.e., basic operations related to fuzzy relations. The composition of fuzzy relations are defined in two ways such as max-min composition and max-product composition with suitable example. This paper also introduces the properties of composition of fuzzy relations. The newly introduced properties inculcates zero, identity, equal, not-equal, subset, associative, union, intersection and distributive fuzzy relations. Finally, the paper verifies the properties of composition of fuzzy relations using some numerical values for 2x2 order of matrix. Also gives some exercise problems related to the above concepts with accurate answer keys.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Fuzzy relation was introduced by L.A.Zadeh in the year 1965. In general, fuzzy relations are the concept of relations in the same manner as fuzzy sets generalize the fundamental idea of sets.

A classical set theory is defined by crisp(exact) boundaries. i.e., there is no uncertainty about the location of the set boundaries and widely used in digital system design. For example, the question arise “Is water colorless?” then the only crisp sets are “Yes or No”. Therefore, classical set theory allows the membership of the elements in the set in binary terms.

The word “fuzzy” means “vagueness or ambiguity”, i.e., fuzziness occurs when the boundary of a piece of information is not clear-cut. For example, the words like young, tall, good or high are fuzzy sets. In above examples the term young defines there is no single quantitative value (i.e., for some people age 25 is young and for others age 35 is young). Therefore, the concept young has no clean boundary.

Also, fuzzy set theory is an extension of classical set theory which is defined for research approach that can deal with problems relating to ambiguous boundaries. i.e., there exists uncertainty about the location of the set boundaries and which is used in fuzzy controllers. For example, the statement arise “Is Ravi Honest” then the fuzzy sets are, “Extremely Honest (1), Very Honest(0.90), Honest at time (0.50) and Extremely Dishonest (0.0)”.

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Therefore, fuzzy set theory permits membership function valued in the interval [0,1]. Fuzzy relations are significant concepts in fuzzy theory and have been widely used in many fields such as fuzzy clustering, fuzzy control and uncertainty reasoning.

They also have used applications in some fields such as medicine, psychology, economics and sociology.

In that paper we discuss about the concept of composition of fuzzy relations and its properties with suitable examples. We have also given related exercise problems with answer keys.

II. SOME BASIC DEFINITIONS OF FUZZY RELATIONS

2.1 Definition

The Cartesian product $\tilde{A} \times \tilde{B} = \{(x, y) / x \in \tilde{A}, y \in \tilde{B}\}$. Where \tilde{A} and \tilde{B} are subsets of the universal sets X and Y correspondingly.

2.2 Definition

A fuzzy relation is a fuzzy set defined on the Cartesian product of crisp set X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n , where tuples (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) that may have varying degrees of membership within the relation. The membership value is usually represented by a real number for the closed interval [0,1] and indicates the strength of the present relation between elements of the tuple.

Consider $\tilde{R}: X \times Y \rightarrow [0,1]$ then the fuzzy relation on $X \times Y$ denoted by \tilde{R} or $\tilde{R}(x, y)$ is defined as the set $\tilde{R} = \{(x, y), \mu_{\tilde{R}}(x, y) / (x, y) \in X \times Y\}$.

Where $\mu_{\tilde{R}}(x, y)$ is the strength of the relation in two variables called membership function. It gives the degree of membership of the ordered pair (x, y) in \tilde{R} associating with each pair (x, y) in $X \times Y$ a real number in the interval [0,1].

The degree of membership indicates the degree to which x is in the relation with y .

Example 2.1

$x = \{3, 5, 8, 10\}$ and

$X \times X = \{(3,3), (3,5), (3,8), (3,10), \dots, (10,10)\}$ then

$XRY = "x \text{ is considerably less than } y"$

$$\tilde{R} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & x_4 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0.5 & 0.8 & 1.0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.5 & 0.8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$



2.3 Definition

Let \tilde{A} and \tilde{B} be fuzzy sets on the universes X and Y, then

$$\tilde{A} \times \tilde{B} = \tilde{R} \subset X \times Y$$

Then the fuzzy relation \tilde{R} has a membership function $\mu_{\tilde{R}}(x, y) = \mu_{\tilde{A} \times \tilde{B}}(x, y) = \min \{ \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x), \mu_{\tilde{B}}(y) \}$ is called the fuzzy Cartesian product of $X \times Y$.

Example 2.2

Let \tilde{A} defined on the universe of three discrete temperatures, $X = \{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$, and \tilde{B} defined on the universe of two discrete pressures, $Y = \{y_1, y_2\}$. Fuzzy set \tilde{A} represents the “ambient” temperature and fuzzy set \tilde{B} represents the “near optimum” pressure for a certain heat exchanger and the Cartesian product might represent the conditions (temperature-pressure pairs) of the exchanger that are associated with “efficient” operations.

For example, let $\tilde{A} = \frac{0.2}{x_1} + \frac{0.5}{x_2} + \frac{1}{x_3}$ and $\tilde{B} = \frac{0.3}{y_1} + \frac{0.8}{y_2}$ then

$$\tilde{A} \times \tilde{B} = \tilde{R} = \begin{matrix} & & y_1 & y_2 \\ \begin{matrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} \min \{0.2, 0.3\} & \min \{0.2, 0.8\} \\ \min \{0.5, 0.3\} & \min \{0.5, 0.8\} \\ \min \{1, 0.3\} & \min \{1, 0.8\} \end{bmatrix} & = & \begin{matrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.5 \\ 0.3 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

2.4 Definition

The Cartesian product $\tilde{A} \times \tilde{B}$ is called a zero fuzzy relation, if $0 = \{ (x, y), \mu_0(x, y) \} / (x, y) \in \tilde{A} \times \tilde{B}, \mu_0(x, y) = 0$.

If we set $\mu_{\tilde{R}}(x, y) = 1$ in the definition of fuzzy relation, we get classical relation.

2.5 Definition

The identity relation I defined for all $(x, y) \in \tilde{A} \times \tilde{B}$ then its membership functions as follows: $I = \mu_I(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } x = y \\ 0, & \text{for } x \neq y \end{cases}$

Example 2.3

The fuzzy relation

$$\tilde{R} = \{ (x_1, y_1), 0 \}, \{ (x_1, y_2), 0.1 \}, \{ (x_1, y_3), 0.2 \}, \{ (x_2, y_1), 0.7 \}, \{ (x_2, y_2), 0.2 \}, \{ (x_2, y_3), 0.3 \}, \{ (x_3, y_1), 1 \}, \{ (x_3, y_2), 0.6 \}, \{ (x_3, y_3), 0.2 \}$$

Can also given by the table as follows:

		Y		
	X	y ₁	y ₂	y ₃
$\tilde{R} =$	x ₁	0	0.1	0.2
	x ₂	0.7	0.2	0.3
	x ₃	1	0.6	0.2

Find membership function.

Solution:

The numbers in the cells are located at the intersection of rows and columns. Then the values of the membership function as follows:

$$\mu_{\tilde{R}}(x_1, y_1) = 0, \mu_{\tilde{R}}(x_1, y_2) = 0.1, \mu_{\tilde{R}}(x_1, y_3) = 0.2$$

$$\mu_{\tilde{R}}(x_2, y_1) = 0.7, \mu_{\tilde{R}}(x_2, y_2) = 0.2, \mu_{\tilde{R}}(x_2, y_3) = 0.3$$

$$\mu_{\tilde{R}}(x_3, y_1) = 1, \mu_{\tilde{R}}(x_3, y_2) = 0.6, \mu_{\tilde{R}}(x_3, y_3) = 0.2$$

Example 2.4

Assume two fuzzy sets

$$\tilde{A} = \left\{ \frac{0.2}{x_1} + \frac{0.5}{x_2} + \frac{1}{x_3} \right\}, \quad \tilde{B} = \left\{ \frac{0.3}{y_1} + \frac{0.9}{y_2} \right\}$$

Find the fuzzy relation (the Cartesian product).

Solution:

$$\tilde{A} \times \tilde{B} = \tilde{R} =$$

		Y	
	X	y ₁	y ₂
$\tilde{A} \times \tilde{B} = \tilde{R} =$	x ₁	0.2	0.2
	x ₂	0.3	0.5
	x ₃	0.3	0.9

III. THE BASIC OPERATIONS ON FUZZY RELATIONS

Let \tilde{R}_1 and \tilde{R}_2 be two fuzzy relations on $\tilde{A} \times \tilde{B}$ such that

$$\tilde{R}_1 = \{ (x, y), \mu_{\tilde{R}_1}(x, y) \}, (x, y) \in \tilde{A} \times \tilde{B}$$

$$\tilde{R}_2 = \{ (x, y), \mu_{\tilde{R}_2}(x, y) \}, (x, y) \in \tilde{A} \times \tilde{B}$$

We use the membership functions $\mu_{\tilde{R}_1}(x, y)$ and $\mu_{\tilde{R}_2}(x, y)$ in order to introduce the operations with \tilde{R}_1 and \tilde{R}_2 similarly to operations with fuzzy sets.

A. The equality

$\tilde{R}_1 = \tilde{R}_2$ iff for every pair $(x, y) \in \tilde{A} \times \tilde{B}$, we have $\mu_{\tilde{R}_1}(x, y) = \mu_{\tilde{R}_2}(x, y)$.

B. The inclusion

The pair of all $(x, y) \in \tilde{A} \times \tilde{B}$, then $\mu_{\tilde{R}_1}(x, y) \leq \mu_{\tilde{R}_2}(x, y)$, the relation \tilde{R}_1 is included in \tilde{R}_2 (or \tilde{R}_2 is larger than \tilde{R}_1 , denoted by $\tilde{R}_1 \subseteq \tilde{R}_2$).

If $\tilde{R}_1 \subseteq \tilde{R}_2$, in addition if for at least one pair $(x, y), \mu_{\tilde{R}_1}(x, y) < \mu_{\tilde{R}_2}(x, y)$, then we have the proper inclusion $\tilde{R}_1 \subset \tilde{R}_2$.

Example 3.1

		Y		
	X	y ₁	y ₂	y ₃
$\tilde{R}_1 =$	x ₁	0	0.2	0.6
	x ₂	0.4	1.0	0.8

		Y		
	X	y ₁	y ₂	y ₃
$\tilde{R}_2 =$	x ₁	0.1	0.2	0.7
	x ₂	0.5	1.0	0.9

Then we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{\tilde{R}_1}(x_1, y_1) &= 0 < \mu_{\tilde{R}_2}(x_1, y_1) = 0.1 \\ \mu_{\tilde{R}_1}(x_2, y_1) &= 0.4 < \mu_{\tilde{R}_2}(x_2, y_1) = 0.5 \\ \mu_{\tilde{R}_1}(x_1, y_2) &= 0.2 = \mu_{\tilde{R}_2}(x_1, y_2) = 0.2 \\ \mu_{\tilde{R}_1}(x_2, y_2) &= 1.0 = \mu_{\tilde{R}_2}(x_2, y_2) = 1.0 \\ \mu_{\tilde{R}_1}(x_1, y_3) &= 0.6 < \mu_{\tilde{R}_2}(x_1, y_3) = 0.7 \\ \mu_{\tilde{R}_1}(x_2, y_3) &= 0.8 < \mu_{\tilde{R}_2}(x_2, y_3) = 0.9 \end{aligned}$$

Hence \tilde{R}_1 is included in \tilde{R}_2 , i.e. $\tilde{R}_1 \subset \tilde{R}_2$.

C. The complement

The complement of a relation \tilde{R} denoted by \tilde{R}' , is defined by

$$\mu_{\tilde{R}'}(x, y) = 1 - \mu_{\tilde{R}}(x, y)$$

Example 3.2

Consider the relation \tilde{R} is given by the table and find its complementation.

$\tilde{R} =$	$X \backslash Y$	y_1	y_2	y_3
	x_1	0	0.2	0.6
	x_2	0.5	1.0	0.8

Solution:

$\tilde{R}' =$	$X \backslash Y$	y_1	y_2	y_3
	x_1	1.0	0.8	0.4
	x_2	0.5	0	0.2

D. The union

The union of \tilde{R}_1 and \tilde{R}_2 denoted by $\tilde{R}_1 \cup \tilde{R}_2$, is defined by $\mu_{\tilde{R}_1 \cup \tilde{R}_2}(x, y) = \max\{\mu_{\tilde{R}_1}(x, y), \mu_{\tilde{R}_2}(x, y)\}, (x, y) \in \tilde{A} \times \tilde{B}$.

E. The intersection

The intersection of \tilde{R}_1 and \tilde{R}_2 denoted by $\tilde{R}_1 \cap \tilde{R}_2$, is defined by $\mu_{\tilde{R}_1 \cap \tilde{R}_2}(x, y) = \min\{\mu_{\tilde{R}_1}(x, y), \mu_{\tilde{R}_2}(x, y)\}, (x, y) \in \tilde{A} \times \tilde{B}$.

Example 3.3

The relations \tilde{R}_1 and \tilde{R}_2 are given by the following tables. Then calculate union and intersection.

$\tilde{R}_1 =$	$X \backslash Y$	y_1	y_2	y_3
	x_1	0	0.1	0.2
	x_2	0	0.7	0.3
	x_3	0.2	0.8	1.0

$\tilde{R}_2 =$	$X \backslash Y$	y_1	y_2	y_3
	x_1	0.3	0.3	0.2
	x_2	0.5	0	1.0
	x_3	0.7	0.3	0.1

Solution:

(i). $\tilde{R}_1 \cup \tilde{R}_2 =$

$X \backslash Y$	y_1	y_2	y_3
x_1	0.3	0.3	0.2
x_2	0.5	0.7	1.0
x_3	0.7	0.8	1

(ii). $\tilde{R}_1 \cap \tilde{R}_2 =$

$X \backslash Y$	y_1	y_2	y_3
x_1	0	0.1	0.2
x_2	0	0	0.3
x_3	0.2	0.3	0.1

Obviously, the proper inclusion $(\tilde{R}_1 \cap \tilde{R}_2) \subset (\tilde{R}_1 \cup \tilde{R}_2)$ holds.

IV. COMPOSITION OF FUZZY RELATIONS

Let \tilde{R} is a fuzzy relation on the Cartesian space $X \times Y$; \tilde{S} is a fuzzy relation on the Cartesian space $Y \times Z$; \tilde{T} is a fuzzy relation on the Cartesian space $X \times Z$.

Therefore, fuzzy max-min and fuzzy max-product compositions are defined as $\tilde{T} = \tilde{R} \circ \tilde{S}$.

(i) Max-min composition

$$\mu_{\tilde{T}}(x, z) = \bigcup_{y \in Y} \{\mu_{\tilde{R}}(x, y) \cap \mu_{\tilde{S}}(y, z)\}$$

(ii) Max-product composition

$$\mu_{\tilde{T}}(x, z) = \bigcup_{y \in Y} \{\mu_{\tilde{R}}(x, y) \circ \mu_{\tilde{S}}(y, z)\}$$

Example 4.1

If $X = \{x_1, x_2\}$, $Y = \{y_1, y_2\}$, and $Z = \{z_1, z_2, z_3\}$.

Consider the following fuzzy relations:

$$\tilde{R} = \begin{matrix} & y_1 & y_2 \\ \begin{matrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 & 0.5 \\ 0.8 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix} \text{ and } \tilde{S} = \begin{matrix} & z_1 & z_2 & z_3 \\ \begin{matrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 0.6 & 0.5 \\ 0.1 & 0.7 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

Find the max-min composition and max-product composition.

Solution:

(i) Using max-min composition,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{\tilde{T}}(x_1, z_1) &= \bigcup_{y \in Y} \{\mu_{\tilde{R}}(x_1, y) \cap \mu_{\tilde{S}}(y, z_1)\} \\ &= \max\{\min(0.7, 0.9), \min(0.5, 0.1)\} \\ &= \max\{0.7, 0.1\} = 0.7 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\tilde{T} = \begin{matrix} & z_1 & z_2 & z_3 \\ \begin{matrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 & 0.6 & 0.5 \\ 0.8 & 0.6 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$



(ii) Using max-product composition,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{\tilde{T}}(x_1, z_2) &= \bigcup_{y \in Y} \{\mu_{\tilde{R}}(x_1, y) \circ \mu_{\tilde{S}}(y, z_2)\} \\ &= \max\{(0.7, 0.6), (0.5, 0.7)\} \\ &= \max\{0.42, 0.35\} = 0.42 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,
$$\tilde{T} = \begin{matrix} & z_1 & z_2 & z_3 \\ x_1 & 0.63 & 0.42 & 0.25 \\ x_2 & 0.72 & 0.48 & 0.20 \end{matrix}$$

V. PROPERTIES OF COMPOSITION OF FUZZY RELATIONS

Let $\tilde{R}, \tilde{R}_1, \tilde{R}_2, \tilde{R}_3$ are fuzzy relations. Then

(i) Composition of fuzzy with zero relation

$$\tilde{R} \circ \tilde{O} = \tilde{O} \circ \tilde{R} (\tilde{O} \rightarrow \text{Zero Relation})$$

(ii) Composition of fuzzy with identity relation

$$\tilde{R} \circ \tilde{I} = \tilde{I} \circ \tilde{R} (\tilde{I} \rightarrow \text{Identity Relation})$$

(iii) Composition of any two arbitrary fuzzy relations

$$\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2 \neq \tilde{R}_2 \circ \tilde{R}_1 (\text{In general})$$

(iv) Composition of fuzzy subset relations

$$\tilde{R}_2 \subseteq \tilde{R}_3 \Rightarrow (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2) \subseteq (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_3) (\text{In general subset})$$

(v) Composition of arbitrary fuzzy associative relations

$$\tilde{R}_1 \circ (\tilde{R}_2 \circ \tilde{R}_3) = (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2) \circ \tilde{R}_3 (\text{In general associative})$$

(vi) Composition of arbitrary fuzzy distributive with union relations

$$\tilde{R}_1 \circ (\tilde{R}_2 \cup \tilde{R}_3) = (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2) \cup (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_3) (\text{In general union})$$

(vii) Composition of arbitrary fuzzy distributive with intersection relations

- (a) If all the elements in $\tilde{R}_2 \neq 0$ and either of at least one element in both \tilde{R}_1 & \tilde{R}_3 are zeros (except for both non-zeros) or alternatively one is non-zero and other one is zero, then

$$\tilde{R}_1 \circ (\tilde{R}_2 \cap \tilde{R}_3) = (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2) \cap (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_3) (\text{In particular case})$$

- (b) If all the elements in $\tilde{R}_2 = 0$ and either of at least one element in both \tilde{R}_1 & \tilde{R}_3 are zeros or alternatively one is non-zero and other one is zero and also both of three relations in all the elements are non-zeros, then

$$\tilde{R}_1 \circ (\tilde{R}_2 \cap \tilde{R}_3) = (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2) \cap (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_3) (\text{In particular case})$$

5.1 Verification of properties of composition of fuzzy relations

Example 5.1

(i) $\tilde{R} \circ \tilde{O} = \tilde{O} \circ \tilde{R}$

Let $\tilde{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\tilde{O} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{R} \circ \tilde{O} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{\min(0.1,0), \min(0.2,0)\} & \max\{\min(0.1,0), \min(0.2,0)\} \\ \max\{\min(0.3,0), \min(0.4,0)\} & \max\{\min(0.3,0), \min(0.4,0)\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \dots \dots \dots (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{O} \circ \tilde{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{\min(0,0.1), \min(0,0.2)\} & \max\{\min(0.1,0), \min(0.2,0)\} \\ \max\{\min(0,0.3), \min(0,0.4)\} & \max\{\min(0,0.3), \min(0,0.4)\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \dots \dots \dots (2) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore (1) = (2)$

(ii) $\tilde{R} \circ \tilde{I} = \tilde{I} \circ \tilde{R}$

Let $\tilde{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\tilde{I} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{R} \circ \tilde{I} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{\min(0.1,1), \min(0.2,0)\} & \max\{\min(0.1,0), \min(0.2,1)\} \\ \max\{\min(0.3,1), \min(0.4,0)\} & \max\{\min(0.3,0), \min(0.4,1)\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} \dots \dots \dots (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{I} \circ \tilde{R} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{\min(1,0.1), \min(0,0.3)\} & \max\{\min(1,0.2), \min(0,0.4)\} \\ \max\{\min(0,0.1), \min(1,0.3)\} & \max\{\min(0,0.2), \min(1,0.4)\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} \dots \dots \dots (2) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore (1) = (2)$

(iii) $\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2 \neq \tilde{R}_2 \circ \tilde{R}_1$

Let $\tilde{R}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 & 0.5 \\ 1.0 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\tilde{R}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.2 \\ 0.0 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 & 0.5 \\ 1.0 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.2 \\ 0.0 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{\min(0.8,0.6), \min(0.5,0.0)\} & \max\{\min(0.8,0.2), \min(0.5,0.7)\} \\ \max\{\min(1.0,0.6), \min(0.9,0.0)\} & \max\{\min(1.0,0.2), \min(0.9,0.7)\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{0.6,0.0\} & \max\{0.2,0.5\} \\ \max\{0.6,0.0\} & \max\{0.2,0.7\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.5 \\ 0.6 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} \dots \dots \dots (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{R}_2 \circ \tilde{R}_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.2 \\ 0.0 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 & 0.5 \\ 1.0 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{\min(0.6,0.8), \min(0.2,1.0)\} & \max\{\min(0.6,0.5), \min(0.2,0.9)\} \\ \max\{\min(0.0,0.8), \min(0.7,1.0)\} & \max\{\min(0.0,0.5), \min(0.7,0.9)\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{0.6,0.2\} & \max\{0.5,0.2\} \\ \max\{0.0,0.7\} & \max\{0.0,0.7\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.5 \\ 0.7 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} \dots \dots \dots (2) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore (1) \neq (2)$

(iv) $\tilde{R}_2 \subseteq \tilde{R}_3 \Rightarrow (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2) \subseteq (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_3)$

Let $\tilde{R}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.6 \\ 0.4 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\tilde{R}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.5 \\ 0.0 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\tilde{R}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.7 \\ 0.1 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix}$

Given relations we conclude that, $\tilde{R}_2 \subseteq \tilde{R}_3$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.6 \\ 0.4 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.5 \\ 0.0 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{\min(0.3,0.2), \min(0.6,0.0)\} & \max\{\min(0.3,0.5), \min(0.6,0.8)\} \\ \max\{\min(0.4,0.2), \min(0.1,0.0)\} & \max\{\min(0.4,0.5), \min(0.1,0.8)\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{0.2,0.0\} & \max\{0.3,0.6\} \\ \max\{0.2,0.0\} & \max\{0.4,0.1\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.6 \\ 0.2 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} \dots \dots \dots (1) \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{And } \tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_3 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.6 \\ 0.4 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.7 \\ 0.1 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{\min(0.3,0.4), \min(0.6,0.1)\} & \max\{\min(0.3,0.7), \min(0.6,0.8)\} \\ \max\{\min(0.4,0.4), \min(0.1,0.1)\} & \max\{\min(0.4,0.7), \min(0.1,0.8)\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{0.3,0.1\} & \max\{0.3,0.6\} \\ \max\{0.4,0.1\} & \max\{0.4,0.1\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.6 \\ 0.4 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} \dots\dots\dots (2) \end{aligned}$$

From (1) & (2) we have, $(\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2) \subseteq (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_3)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(v) } \tilde{R}_1 \circ (\tilde{R}_2 \circ \tilde{R}_3) &= (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2) \circ \tilde{R}_3 \\ \text{Let } \tilde{R}_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 & 0.2 \\ 0.4 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{R}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.6 \\ 0.0 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \tilde{R}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.7 \\ 1.0 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix} \\ \tilde{R}_2 \circ \tilde{R}_3 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.6 \\ 0.0 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.7 \\ 1.0 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{\min(0.2,0.3), \min(0.6,1.0)\} & \max\{\min(0.2,0.7), \min(0.6,0.5)\} \\ \max\{\min(0.0,0.3), \min(0.1,1.0)\} & \max\{\min(0.0,0.7), \min(0.1,0.5)\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{0.2,0.6\} & \max\{0.2,0.5\} \\ \max\{0.0,0.1\} & \max\{0.0,0.1\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.5 \\ 0.1 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \dots\dots\dots (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{R}_1 \circ (\tilde{R}_2 \circ \tilde{R}_3) &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 & 0.2 \\ 0.4 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.5 \\ 0.1 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{\min(0.7,0.6), \min(0.2,0.1)\} & \max\{\min(0.7,0.5), \min(0.2,0.1)\} \\ \max\{\min(0.4,0.6), \min(0.8,0.1)\} & \max\{\min(0.4,0.5), \min(0.8,0.1)\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{0.6,0.2\} & \max\{0.5,0.2\} \\ \max\{0.4,0.1\} & \max\{0.4,0.1\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.5 \\ 0.4 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} \dots\dots\dots (2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 & 0.2 \\ 0.4 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.6 \\ 0.0 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{\min(0.7,0.2), \min(0.2,0.0)\} & \max\{\min(0.7,0.6), \min(0.2,0.1)\} \\ \max\{\min(0.4,0.2), \min(0.8,0.0)\} & \max\{\min(0.4,0.6), \min(0.8,0.1)\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{0.2,0.0\} & \max\{0.6,0.1\} \\ \max\{0.2,0.0\} & \max\{0.4,0.1\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.6 \\ 0.2 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} \dots\dots\dots (3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2) \circ \tilde{R}_3 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.6 \\ 0.2 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.7 \\ 1.0 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{\min(0.2,0.3), \min(0.6,1.0)\} & \max\{\min(0.2,0.7), \min(0.6,0.5)\} \\ \max\{\min(0.2,0.3), \min(0.4,1.0)\} & \max\{\min(0.2,0.7), \min(0.4,0.5)\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{0.2,0.6\} & \max\{0.2,0.5\} \\ \max\{0.2,0.4\} & \max\{0.2,0.4\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.5 \\ 0.4 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} \dots\dots\dots (4) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore (2) = (4)$
(vi) $\tilde{R}_1 \circ (\tilde{R}_2 \cup \tilde{R}_3) = (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2) \cup (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_3)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } \tilde{R}_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 & 0.5 \\ 1.0 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{R}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.2 \\ 0.0 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \tilde{R}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 1.0 \\ 0.4 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix} \\ \tilde{R}_2 \cup \tilde{R}_3 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.2 \\ 0.0 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} \cup \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 1.0 \\ 0.4 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{0.6,0.0\} & \max\{0.2,1.0\} \\ \max\{0.0,0.4\} & \max\{0.7,0.3\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 1.0 \\ 0.4 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} \dots\dots\dots (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{R}_1 \circ (\tilde{R}_2 \cup \tilde{R}_3) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 & 0.5 \\ 1.0 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 1.0 \\ 0.4 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{\min(0.8,0.6), \min(0.5,0.4)\} & \max\{\min(0.8,1.0), \min(0.5,0.7)\} \\ \max\{\min(1.0,0.6), \min(0.9,0.4)\} & \max\{\min(1.0,1.0), \min(0.9,0.7)\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{0.6,0.4\} & \max\{0.8,0.5\} \\ \max\{0.6,0.4\} & \max\{1.0,0.7\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.8 \\ 0.6 & 1.0 \end{bmatrix} \dots\dots\dots (2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 & 0.5 \\ 1.0 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.2 \\ 0.0 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{\min(0.8,0.6), \min(0.5,0.0)\} & \max\{\min(0.8,0.2), \min(0.5,0.7)\} \\ \max\{\min(1.0,0.6), \min(0.9,0.0)\} & \max\{\min(1.0,0.2), \min(0.9,0.7)\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{0.6,0.0\} & \max\{0.2,0.5\} \\ \max\{0.6,0.0\} & \max\{0.2,0.7\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.5 \\ 0.6 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} \dots\dots\dots (3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_3 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 & 0.5 \\ 1.0 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 1.0 \\ 0.4 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{\min(0.8,0.0), \min(0.5,0.4)\} & \max\{\min(0.8,1.0), \min(0.5,0.3)\} \\ \max\{\min(1.0,0.0), \min(0.9,0.4)\} & \max\{\min(1.0,1.0), \min(0.9,0.3)\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{0.0,0.4\} & \max\{0.8,0.3\} \\ \max\{0.0,0.4\} & \max\{1.0,0.3\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.8 \\ 0.4 & 1.0 \end{bmatrix} \dots\dots\dots (4) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2) \cup (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_3) &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.5 \\ 0.6 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} \cup \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.8 \\ 0.4 & 1.0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{0.6,0.4\} & \max\{0.5,0.8\} \\ \max\{0.6,0.4\} & \max\{0.7,1.0\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.8 \\ 0.6 & 1.0 \end{bmatrix} \dots\dots\dots (5) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore (2) = (5)$
(vii) **Case (a):** $\tilde{R}_1 \circ (\tilde{R}_2 \cap \tilde{R}_3) = (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2) \cap (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_3)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } \tilde{R}_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.2 \\ 0.1 & 0.0 \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{R}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.5 \\ 0.6 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \tilde{R}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 0.1 \\ 0.3 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix} \\ \tilde{R}_2 \cap \tilde{R}_3 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.5 \\ 0.6 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} \cap \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 0.1 \\ 0.3 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \min\{0.4,0.0\} & \min\{0.5,0.1\} \\ \min\{0.6,0.3\} & \min\{0.7,0.2\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 0.1 \\ 0.3 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix} \dots\dots\dots (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{R}_1 \circ (\tilde{R}_2 \cap \tilde{R}_3) &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.2 \\ 0.1 & 0.0 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 0.1 \\ 0.3 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{\min(0.3,0.0), \min(0.2,0.3)\} & \max\{\min(0.3,0.1), \min(0.2,0.2)\} \\ \max\{\min(0.1,0.0), \min(0.0,0.3)\} & \max\{\min(0.1,0.1), \min(0.0,0.2)\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{0.0,0.2\} & \max\{0.1,0.2\} \\ \max\{0.0,0.0\} & \max\{0.1,0.0\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0.0 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \dots\dots\dots (2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.2 \\ 0.1 & 0.0 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.5 \\ 0.6 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{\min(0.3,0.4), \min(0.2,0.6)\} & \max\{\min(0.3,0.5), \min(0.2,0.7)\} \\ \max\{\min(0.1,0.4), \min(0.0,0.6)\} & \max\{\min(0.1,0.5), \min(0.0,0.7)\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max\{0.3,0.2\} & \max\{0.3,0.2\} \\ \max\{0.1,0.0\} & \max\{0.1,0.0\} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.3 \\ 0.1 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \dots\dots\dots (3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.2 \\ 0.1 & 0.0 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 0.1 \\ 0.3 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \max \{ \min(0.3,0.0), \min(0.2,0.3) \} & \max \{ \min(0.3,0.1), \min(0.2,0.2) \} \\ \max \{ \min(0.1,0.0), \min(0.0,0.3) \} & \max \{ \min(0.1,0.1), \min(0.0,0.2) \} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \max \{ 0.0, 0.2 \} & \max \{ 0.1, 0.2 \} \\ \max \{ 0.0, 0.0 \} & \max \{ 0.1, 0.0 \} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0.0 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \dots\dots\dots (4)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2) \cap (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_3) &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.3 \\ 0.1 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \cap \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0.0 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \min \{ 0.3, 0.2 \} & \min \{ 0.3, 0.2 \} \\ \min \{ 0.1, 0.0 \} & \min \{ 0.1, 0.1 \} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0.0 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \dots\dots\dots (5)
 \end{aligned}$$

∴ (2) = (5)

Case (b): $\tilde{R}_1 \circ (\tilde{R}_2 \cap \tilde{R}_3) \neq (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2) \cap (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_3)$

Let $\tilde{R}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.3 \\ 0.4 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix}$, $\tilde{R}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.2 \\ 0.5 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\tilde{R}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 1.0 \\ 0.3 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{R}_2 \cap \tilde{R}_3 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.2 \\ 0.5 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix} \cap \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 1.0 \\ 0.3 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \min \{ 0.4, 0.9 \} & \min \{ 0.2, 1.0 \} \\ \min \{ 0.5, 0.3 \} & \min \{ 0.3, 0.2 \} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix} \dots\dots\dots (1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{R}_1 \circ (\tilde{R}_2 \cap \tilde{R}_3) &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.3 \\ 0.4 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \max \{ \min(0.1,0.4), \min(0.3,0.3) \} & \max \{ \min(0.1,0.2), \min(0.3,0.2) \} \\ \max \{ \min(0.4,0.4), \min(0.8,0.3) \} & \max \{ \min(0.4,0.2), \min(0.8,0.2) \} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \max \{ 0.1, 0.3 \} & \max \{ 0.1, 0.2 \} \\ \max \{ 0.4, 0.3 \} & \max \{ 0.2, 0.2 \} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.2 \\ 0.4 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix} \dots\dots\dots (2)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.3 \\ 0.4 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.2 \\ 0.5 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \max \{ \min(0.1,0.4), \min(0.3,0.5) \} & \max \{ \min(0.1,0.2), \min(0.3,0.3) \} \\ \max \{ \min(0.4,0.4), \min(0.8,0.5) \} & \max \{ \min(0.4,0.2), \min(0.8,0.3) \} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \max \{ 0.1, 0.3 \} & \max \{ 0.1, 0.3 \} \\ \max \{ 0.4, 0.5 \} & \max \{ 0.2, 0.3 \} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.3 \\ 0.5 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix} \dots\dots\dots (3)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_3 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.3 \\ 0.4 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 1.0 \\ 0.3 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \max \{ \min(0.1,0.9), \min(0.3,0.3) \} & \max \{ \min(0.1,1.0), \min(0.3,0.2) \} \\ \max \{ \min(0.4,0.9), \min(0.8,0.3) \} & \max \{ \min(0.4,1.0), \min(0.8,0.2) \} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \max \{ 0.1, 0.3 \} & \max \{ 0.1, 0.2 \} \\ \max \{ 0.4, 0.3 \} & \max \{ 0.4, 0.2 \} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.2 \\ 0.4 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} \dots\dots\dots (4)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2) \cap (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_3) &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.3 \\ 0.5 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix} \cap \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.2 \\ 0.4 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \min \{ 0.3, 0.3 \} & \min \{ 0.3, 0.2 \} \\ \min \{ 0.5, 0.4 \} & \min \{ 0.3, 0.4 \} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.2 \\ 0.4 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix} \dots\dots\dots (5)
 \end{aligned}$$

∴ (2) ≠ (5)

Exercise Problems

1. Verify $\tilde{R}_1 \circ (\tilde{R}_2 \cup \tilde{R}_3) = (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2) \cup (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_3)$.

$$\text{If } \tilde{R}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{R}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 0.1 \\ 0.4 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \tilde{R}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 0.2 \\ 0.5 & 0.6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Answer: } LHS = RHS = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0.4 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Verify $\tilde{R}_1 \circ (\tilde{R}_2 \cap \tilde{R}_3) = (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2) \cap (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_3)$.

$$\text{If } \tilde{R}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.0 \\ 0.3 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{R}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.3 \\ 0.1 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \tilde{R}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.7 \\ 1.0 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Answer: } LHS = RHS = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Verify $\tilde{R}_1 \circ (\tilde{R}_2 \cap \tilde{R}_3) = (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2) \cap (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_3)$.

$$\text{If } \tilde{R}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{R}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 & 0.4 \\ 0.8 & 1.0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \tilde{R}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.0 \\ 0.3 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Answer: } LHS = RHS = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

4. Verify $\tilde{R}_1 \circ (\tilde{R}_2 \cap \tilde{R}_3) \neq (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2) \cap (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_3)$.

$$\text{If } \tilde{R}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 0.2 \\ 0.6 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{R}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.0 \\ 0.3 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \tilde{R}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.5 \\ 0.8 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Answer: } LHS = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0.4 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix} = RHS$$

5. Verify $\tilde{R}_1 \circ (\tilde{R}_2 \cap \tilde{R}_3) \neq (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2) \cap (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_3)$.

$$\text{If } \tilde{R}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.3 \\ 0.4 & 0.6 \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{R}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 0.1 \\ 0.3 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \tilde{R}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.6 \\ 0.9 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Answer: } LHS = \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} = RHS$$

6. Verify $\tilde{R}_1 \circ (\tilde{R}_2 \cap \tilde{R}_3) \neq (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2) \cap (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_3)$.

$$\text{If } \tilde{R}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.0 \\ 0.3 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{R}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 0.5 \\ 0.3 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \tilde{R}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 0.1 \\ 0.0 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Answer: } LHS = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 0.1 \\ 0.0 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 0.1 \\ 0.3 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix} = RHS$$

7. Verify $\tilde{R}_1 \circ (\tilde{R}_2 \cap \tilde{R}_3) \neq (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_2) \cap (\tilde{R}_1 \circ \tilde{R}_3)$.

$$\text{If } \tilde{R}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 & 0.5 \\ 1.0 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{R}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.2 \\ 0.0 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \tilde{R}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 1.0 \\ 0.4 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Answer: } LHS = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 0.3 \\ 0.0 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.5 \\ 0.4 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} = RHS$$

VI. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we have seen some definitions and basic operations related on fuzzy relations. Next the composition of fuzzy relations are defined in two ways such as max-min composition and max-product composition with example. The max-min composition and max-product composition are two compositions of fuzzy relations which is being made use in this paper to introduce new properties of composition of fuzzy relations which we have verified by solving a suitable problems with the newly introduced properties and have given the solution for the problems.

SCOPE OF PROPERTIES

In future this properties can be used to extend 3x3, 4x4, etc., order of matrix and also this properties can be used to work out the problems of non-square matrix.

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