CLASSICAL AND FUZZY RELATIONS

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CARTESIAN PRODUCT

- An ordered sequence of r elements in the form $(a_1, a_2, a_3, ..., a_r)$ is called an ordered tuple.
- If r = 2, it forms an ordered pair.
- For crisp sets $A_1, A_2, A_3, ..., A_r$
 - $(a_1, a_2, a_3, ..., a_r)$, where $a_1 \in A_1, a_2 \in A_2$ etc. is called the cartesian product $A_1 \times A_2 \times A_3 ... \times A_r$.
- Cartesian product is not the same as arithmetic product.
- When all A_r are identical, $A_1 \times A_2 \times A_3 \dots \times A_r$ can be denoted as A^r .

EXAMPLE

- The elements in two sets A and B are given as $A = \{0, 1\}$ and $B = \{a,b,c\}$
- Various Cartesian products of these two sets can be written as shown:
 - $A \times B = \{(0, a), (0, b), (0, c), (1,a), (1,b), (1,c)\}.$
 - B × A = $\{(a, 0), (a, 1), (b, 0), (b, 1), (c, 0), (c, 1)\}$.
 - $A \times A = A^2 = \{(0,0),(0,1),(1,0),(1,1)\}.$
 - B × B = B² = {(a,a), (a,b), (a,c), (b,a), (b,b), (b,c), (c,a), (c,b), (c,c)}.

CLASSICAL/CRISP RELATIONS

- A subset of the cartesian product of r sets is called a r-ary relation over $A_1, A_2, A_3, ..., A_r$
- If r = 2, it is a binary relation from A_1 into $A_2 (A_1 \times A_2)$.
- For a cartesian product of two universe X and Y, the strength of the relationship between the pairs of elements is measured by a characteristic function χ . If $\chi = 1$, it implies complete relationship and $\chi = 0$ implies no relationship, i.e.,

$$X \times Y = \{(x, y) \mid x \in X, y \in Y\}$$
$$\chi_{X \times Y}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1, & (x, y) \in X \times Y \\ 0, & (x, y) \notin X \times Y \end{cases}$$

CLASSICAL/CRISP RELATIONS

- A binary relationship can be represented by a two dimensional matrix, called a relation matrix. $a \ b \ c$
- This is an example of unconstrained or universal relation $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & a & a \\ 2 & b & c \end{bmatrix}$ $R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

• This is an example of constrained or identity relation

CARDINALITY OF CRISP RELATIONS

• If n elements of set X are related to m elements of set Y, then the cardinality of the relation R between these two sets is the product of the cardinalities of the two sets, i.e., $n_X * m_Y$

COMPOSITION OF CRISP RELATIONS

- Given a relation R between X & Y and Given a relation S between Y & Z, find a relation T between X & Z.
- Two forms of composition operations are there.
 - Max-min composition,T = R O S

$$\chi_{\mathrm{T}}(x,z) = \bigvee_{y \in \mathrm{Y}} (\chi_{\mathrm{R}}(x,y) \wedge \chi_{\mathrm{S}}(y,z))$$

Max-product (sometimes called max-dot) composition,T = R O S

$$\chi_{\mathrm{T}}(x,z) = \bigvee_{y \in \mathrm{Y}} (\chi_{\mathrm{R}}(x,y) \bullet \chi_{\mathrm{S}}(y,z))$$

Here, the symbol "•" is arithmetic product.

EXAMPLE

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\chi_T(x_1, z_1) = \max[\min(1,0), \min(0,0), \min(1,0), \min(0,0)] = 0$$

$$\chi_T(x_1, z_2) = \max[\min(1,1), \min(0,0), \min(1,1), \min(0,0)] = 1$$

$$\therefore T = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

FUZZY RELATIONS

- It is a mapping \underline{R} from the cartesian product $X \times Y$ to the interval [0, 1], where the strength of \underline{R} is expressed by the membership function of the relation, $\mu_R(x, y)$.
- Let \underline{R} be a fuzzy relation between two sets $X = \{Kolkata, Bhuvaneshwar\}$ and $Y = \{Mumbai, Pune, Kolkata\}$ representing "very far". Then R can be represented by
- R = 0.8/Kolkata, Mumbai + 1.0/Kolkata, Pune + 0.0/Kolkata, Kolkata + 0.7/ Bhuvaneshwar, Mumbai + 0.9/ Bhuvaneshwar, Pune+ 0.4/ Bhuvaneshwar, Kolkata

	Kolkata	Bhubaneshwar	
Mumbai	0.8	0.7	
Pune	1.0	0.9	1
Kolkata	0.0	0.4	

2-D Matrix

OPERATIONS ON FUZZY RELATIONS

• Let \underline{R} and \underline{S} be fuzzy relations for $X \times Y$, the following operations can be applied:

Union	$\mu_{\mathbb{R} \cup \mathbb{S}}(x, y) = \max(\mu_{\mathbb{R}}(x, y), \mu_{\mathbb{S}}(x, y)).$
Intersection	$\mu_{\mathbb{R} \cap \mathbb{S}}(x, y) = \min(\mu_{\mathbb{R}}(x, y), \mu_{\mathbb{S}}(x, y)).$
Complement	$\mu_{\underline{\overline{\mathbb{R}}}}(x, y) = 1 - \mu_{\underline{\mathbb{R}}}(x, y).$
Containment	$\underset{\sim}{\mathbb{R}} \subset \underset{\sim}{\mathbb{S}} \Rightarrow \mu_{\underset{\sim}{\mathbb{R}}}(x, y) \leq \mu_{\underset{\sim}{\mathbb{S}}}(x, y).$

FUZZY CARTESIAN PRODUCT

• For two fuzzy sets \underline{A} on universe X and \underline{B} on universe Y, the cartesian product (or relation) \underline{R} between \underline{A} and \underline{B} is given by

$$A \times B = C \times X \times Y$$

where the fuzzy relation R has membership function

$$\mu_{R}(x, y) = \mu_{A \times B}(x, y) = \min(\mu_{A}(x), \mu_{B}(y)).$$

EXAMPLE

• If
$$A = \frac{0.2}{x_1} + \frac{0.5}{x_2} + \frac{1}{x_3}$$
 and $B = \frac{0.3}{y_1} + \frac{0.9}{y_2}$

• Then
$$\underline{A} \times \underline{B} = \underline{R} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.5 \\ 0.3 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix}$$

DOMAIN OF A FUZZY RELATION

• We define the domain of a binary fuzzy relation R(X,Y) as the fuzzy set:

$$dom\underline{R}(x) = \max_{y \in Y} R(x, y)$$

• Each element of X belongs to domain of R to the degree equal to strength of its strongest relation to any member of set Y.

RANGE OF A FUZZY RELATION

• The range of a binary fuzzy relation is defined as the fuzzy set:

$$ran\underline{R}(y) = \max_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathsf{X}} R(x, y)$$

• This is the strength of strongest relation which each element of Y has to an element of X.

HEIGHT OF A FUZZY RELATION

• The height of a fuzzy relation R is a number h(R) and is given by

$$h(\underline{R}) = \max_{y \in Y} \max_{x \in X} R(x, y)$$

• It is the largest membership grade attended by any pair (x,y) in R.

INVERSE OF A FUZZY RELATION

The Inverse of a fuzzy relation R is given by

$$R^{-1}(y,x)=R(x,y)$$

Is a relation on Y x X.

COMPOSITION OF FUZZY RELATION

- Given two relations R(X,Y) and S(Y, Z) with a common set (Y), we define their standard composition as:
 - Two forms of composition operations are there
 - Max-min composition, $\underline{T} = \underline{R} \odot \underline{S}$

$$\mu_{\widetilde{\mathbb{Z}}}(x,z) = \bigvee_{y \in Y} (\mu_{\widetilde{\mathbb{R}}}(x,y) \wedge \mu_{\widetilde{\mathbb{S}}}(y,z))$$

• Max-product (Max-dot) composition, $\underline{T} = \underline{R} \odot \underline{S}$

$$\mu_{\widetilde{\mathbb{X}}}(x,z) = \bigvee_{y \in Y} (\mu_{\widetilde{\mathbb{X}}}(x,y) \bullet \mu_{\widetilde{\mathbb{X}}}(y,z))$$

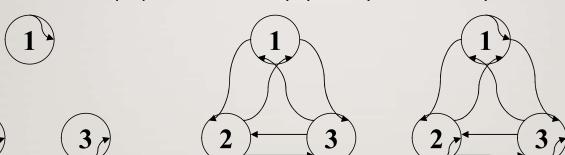
But $ROS \neq SOR$

EXAMPLE (MAX-MIN COMPOSITION)

EXAMPLE (MAX-DOT COMPOSITION)

PROPERTIES OF RELATIONS

• Any relation can have the properties of reflexivity, symmetry and transitivity.



Reflexivity

Symmetry

Transitivity

• There are some more antireflexive, asymmetric and antisymmetric, antitransitive.

CRISP EQUIVALENCE

A relation R on a universe X can also be thought of as a relation from X to X. The
relation R is an equivalence relation if it has the following three properties: (I) reflexivity,
(2) symmetry, and (3) transitivity.

Reflexivity	$(x_i, x_i) \in \mathbb{R} \text{ or } \chi_{\mathbb{R}}(x_i, x_i) = 1.$
Symmetry	$(x_i, x_j) \in \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow (x_j, x_i) \in \mathbb{R}$
	or $\chi_{\mathbf{R}}(x_i, x_j) = \chi_{\mathbf{R}}(x_j, x_i)$.
Transitivity	$(x_i, x_j) \in \mathbb{R}$ and $(x_j, x_k) \in \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow (x_i, x_k) \in \mathbb{R}$
	or $\chi_{\mathbf{R}}(x_i, x_j)$ and $\chi_{\mathbf{R}}(x_j, x_k) = 1 \longrightarrow \chi_{\mathbf{R}}(x_i, x_k) = 1$

FUZZY EQUIVALENCE OR SIMILARITY RELATION

• A fuzzy relation, \underline{R} , on a single universe X is also a relation from X to X. It is a fuzzy equivalence relation if all three of the following properties for matrix relations define it:

Reflexivity
$$\mu_{\mathbb{R}}(x_i, x_i) = 1.$$

Symmetry $\mu_{\mathbb{R}}(x_i, x_j) = \mu_{\mathbb{R}}(x_j, x_i).$

Transitivity $\mu_{\mathbb{R}}(x_i, x_j) = \lambda_1$ and $\mu_{\mathbb{R}}(x_j, x_k) = \lambda_2 \longrightarrow \mu_{\mathbb{R}}(x_i, x_k) = \lambda,$

where $\lambda \geq \min[\lambda_1, \lambda_2].$

FUZZY TOLERANCE/PROXIMITY

Exhibits only reflexivity and symmetry.

