



Lecture 8 & 9: Fuzzy Relation and Composition (EC1710)

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Fuzzy Relation

- If A and B are two CRISP sets. The Cartesian Product $A \times B$ is a collection of ordered pairs such that

$$A \times B = \{(a, b) \mid a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}$$

$A \times B$ provides a mapping from $a \in A$ to $b \in B$

- A particular mapping so mentioned is called a **Relation**.
- Example: Given two Crisp Sets $A=\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$; $B=\{3, 5, 7\}$

$$\text{Then } A \times B = \{(1,3), (1,5), (1,7), (2,3), (2,5), (2,7), (3,3), (3,5), (3,7), (4,3), (4,5), (4,7)\}$$

Let us define a **Relation** as $R = \{(a, b) \mid b = a + 1, (a, b) \in A \times B\}$

In this case, $R=\{(2,3), (4,5)\}$; we can represent the Relation R in a matrix form as

$$\begin{array}{c} \begin{matrix} & 3 & 5 & 7 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{array}$$

Fuzzy Relation

- Fuzzy **Relation (R)** is a fuzzy set defined on the cartesian product of Crisp set $\chi_1, \chi_2, \chi_3, \dots, \chi_n$
- Each element of a fuzzy **relation** has varying degrees of membership within the relationship
- The membership values indicates the strength of the **Relation** between the elements.

Example 1: Given two fuzzy sets

X={John, Mary, Preeti} Y={ Ritu, Priya, Jack}

Define a relation R which represents closeness of the two fuzzy sets.

$$R = X \times Y = \begin{array}{c|ccc} & \xrightarrow{Y} & \text{Ritu} & \text{Priya} & \text{Jack} \\ \downarrow X & \text{John} & 0.9 & 0.8 & 0.5 \\ & \text{Mary} & 1 & 0.3 & 0.1 \\ & \text{Preeti} & 0.7 & 0 & 0.6 \end{array}$$

Fuzzy Relation

Example 2: Given two fuzzy sets

$X = \{\text{Typhoid, Viral, Cold}\}$

$Y = \{\text{Running nose, High temperature, Shivering}\}$

Define a relation R which represents closeness of the two fuzzy sets.

$$R = X \times Y = \begin{array}{c} \text{Typhoid} \\ \text{Viral} \\ \text{Cold} \end{array} \begin{array}{cc} \begin{array}{c} \text{Running} \\ \text{Nose} \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} \text{high} \\ \text{temp. shivering} \end{array} \\ \left[\begin{array}{cc} 0.1 & 0.4 \\ 0.2 & 0.9 \\ 0.9 & 0.4 \end{array} \right] & \left[\begin{array}{c} 0.8 \\ 0.7 \\ 0.6 \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

Summary:

Fuzzy Relation – relates elements of one universe X to those of another universe

Y through the cartesian product of two universe.

$$A \in X, B \in Y, \quad R = A \times B \subset X * Y$$

Fuzzy Relation

Fuzzy relation is defined as the Cartesian Product of two fuzzy sets.

A is a fuzzy set on the universe of Discourse X with $\mu_A(x) \parallel x \in X$

B is a fuzzy set on the universe Y with $\mu_B(y) \parallel y \in Y$

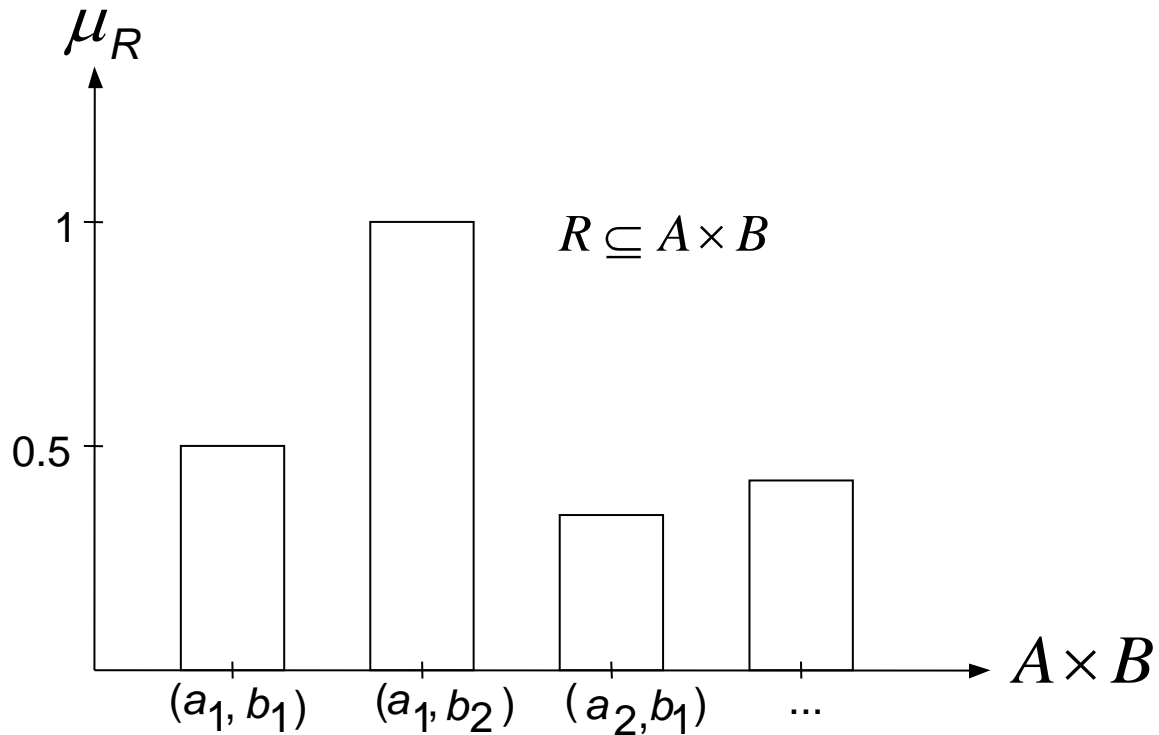
Then, $R = A \times B \subset X \times Y$; $\mu_R : A \times B \rightarrow [0, 1]$

Where R has its membership function given by

$$R = \{((x, y), \mu_R(x, y)) \mid \mu_R(x, y) \geq 0, x \in A, y \in B\}$$

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

Fuzzy Relation



Fuzzy relation as a fuzzy set

Fuzzy Relation

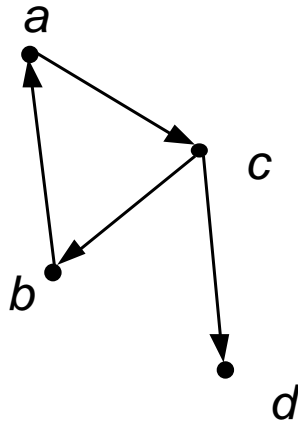
- Example**

Crisp relation R

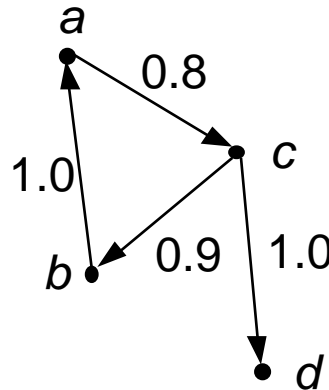
$$\mu_R(a, c) = 1, \mu_R(b, a) = 1, \mu_R(c, b) = 1 \text{ and } \mu_R(c, d) = 1.$$

Fuzzy relation R

$$\mu_R(a, c) = 0.8, \mu_R(b, a) = 1.0, \mu_R(c, b) = 0.9, \mu_R(c, d) = 1.0$$



(a) Crisp relation



(b) Fuzzy relation
crisp and fuzzy relations

$A \backslash A$	a	b	c	d
a	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0
b	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
c	0.0	0.9	0.0	1.0
d	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

corresponding matrix

Fuzzy Relation

Operation of Fuzzy Relation

1) Union relation

$$\forall (x, y) \in A \times B$$

$$\mu_{R \cup S}(x, y) = \text{Max} [\mu_R(x, y), \mu_S(x, y)] = \mu_R(x, y) \vee \mu_S(x, y)$$

2) Intersection relation

$$\mu_{R \cap S}(x, y) = \text{Min} [\mu_R(x, y), \mu_S(x, y)] = \mu_R(x, y) \wedge \mu_S(x, y)$$

3) Complement relation

$$\forall (x, y) \in A \times B$$

$$\mu_{\bar{R}}(x, y) = 1 - \mu_R(x, y)$$

4) Inverse relation

$$\text{For all } (x, y) \subseteq A \times B, \quad \mu_R^{-1}(y, x) = \mu_R(x, y)$$

Fuzzy Relation

Examples

M_R	a	b	c
1	0.3	0.2	1.0
2	0.8	1.0	1.0
3	0.0	1.0	0.0

M_S	a	b	c
1	0.3	0.0	0.1
2	0.1	0.8	1.0
3	0.6	0.9	0.3

$M_{R \cup S}$	a	b	c
1	0.3	0.2	1.0
2	0.8	1.0	1.0
3	0.6	1.0	0.3

$M_{R \cap S}$	a	b	c
1	0.3	0.0	0.1
2	0.1	0.8	1.0
3	0.0	0.9	0.0

$M_{\bar{R}}$	a	b	c
1	0.7	0.8	0.0
2	0.2	0.0	0.0
3	1.0	0.0	1.0

Fuzzy Relation

Examples

#1

$$A = \{(a_1, 0.2), (a_2, 0.7), a_3, 0.4)\}$$

$$B = \{(b_1, 0.5), (b_2, 0.6)\}$$

$$R = A \times B = \begin{matrix} & & b_1 & b_2 \\ \begin{matrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{matrix} & \left[\begin{array}{cc} 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0.5 & 0.6 \\ 0.4 & 0.4 \end{array} \right] \end{matrix}$$

Composition of fuzzy relation

If $R \Rightarrow$ Relation on universe X and Y

$S \Rightarrow$ Relation on universe Y and Z

Then Composition T of fuzzy relation R and S is denoted as

$$\mathbf{T = R \circ S}$$

It gives direct mapping between X and Z

There are two methods of finding out Composition

- **Max –min composition**

$$\mu_{R \circ S} = \max_{y \in Y} [\min (\mu_R(x, y), (\mu_S(y, z))]$$

- **Max-product composition**

$$\mu_{R \circ S} = \max_{y \in Y} [(\mu_R(x, y) \cdot (\mu_S(y, z))]$$

Composition of fuzzy relations

- Max-min composition

$$\forall (x, y) \in A \times B, \forall (y, z) \in B \times C$$

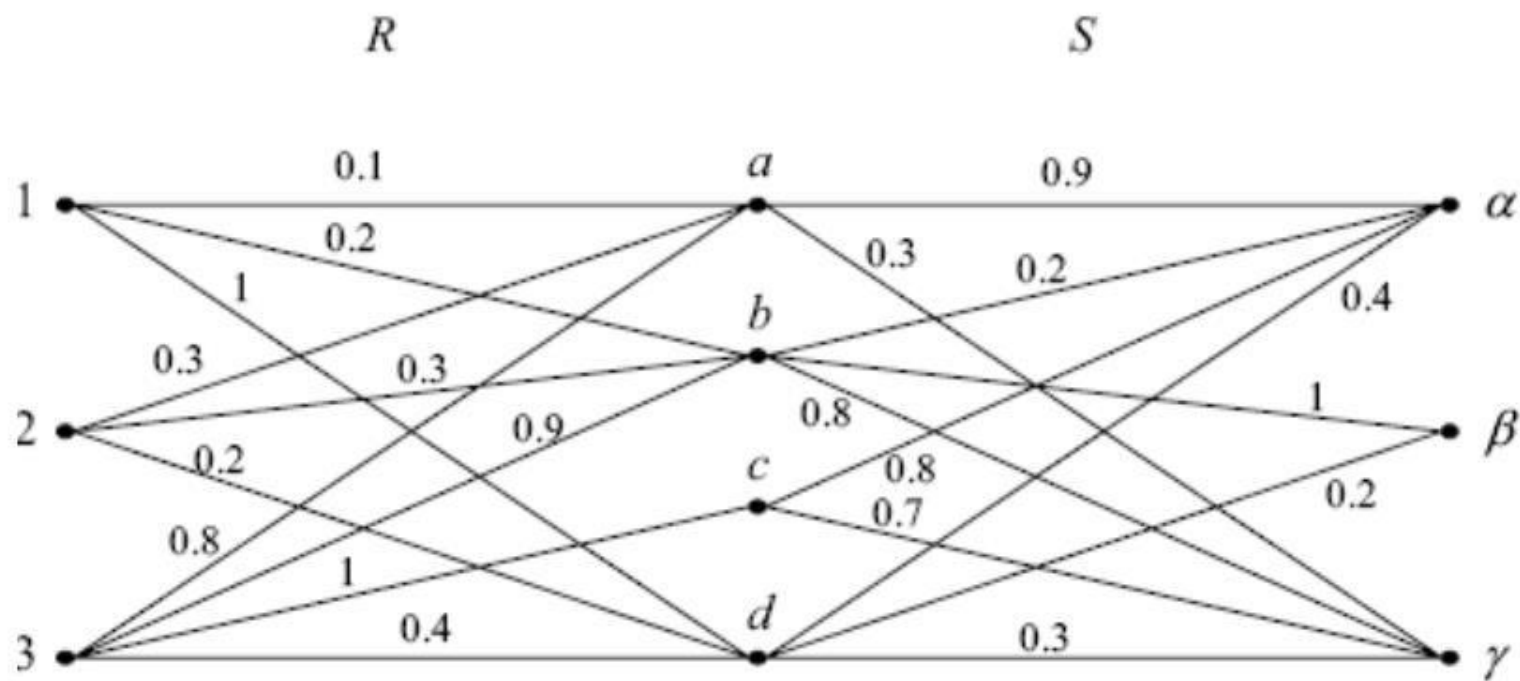
$$\begin{aligned}\mu_{S \circ R}(x, z) &= \max_y [\min(\mu_R(x, y), \mu_S(y, z))] \\ &= \bigvee_y [\mu_R(x, y) \wedge \mu_S(y, z)]\end{aligned}$$

- Example

R	a	b	c	d
1	0.1	0.2	0.0	1.0
2	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.2
3	0.8	0.9	1.0	0.4

S	α	β	γ
a	0.9	0.0	0.3
b	0.2	1.0	0.8
c	0.8	0.0	0.7
d	0.4	0.2	0.3

Composition of fuzzy relations



Composition of fuzzy relations

- Example

R	a	b	c	d
1	0.1	0.2	0.0	1.0
2	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.2
3	0.8	0.9	1.0	0.4

S	α	β	γ
a	0.9	0.0	0.3
b	0.2	1.0	0.8
c	0.8	0.0	0.7
d	0.4	0.2	0.3

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_{S \circ R}(1, \alpha) &= \max[\min(0.1, 0.9), \min(0.2, 0.2), \min(0.0, 0.8), \min(1.0, 0.4)] \\ &= \max[0.1, 0.2, 0.0, 0.4] = 0.4\end{aligned}$$

Composition of fuzzy relations

- Example

R	a	b	c	d
1	0.1	0.2	0.0	1.0
2	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.2
3	0.8	0.9	1.0	0.4

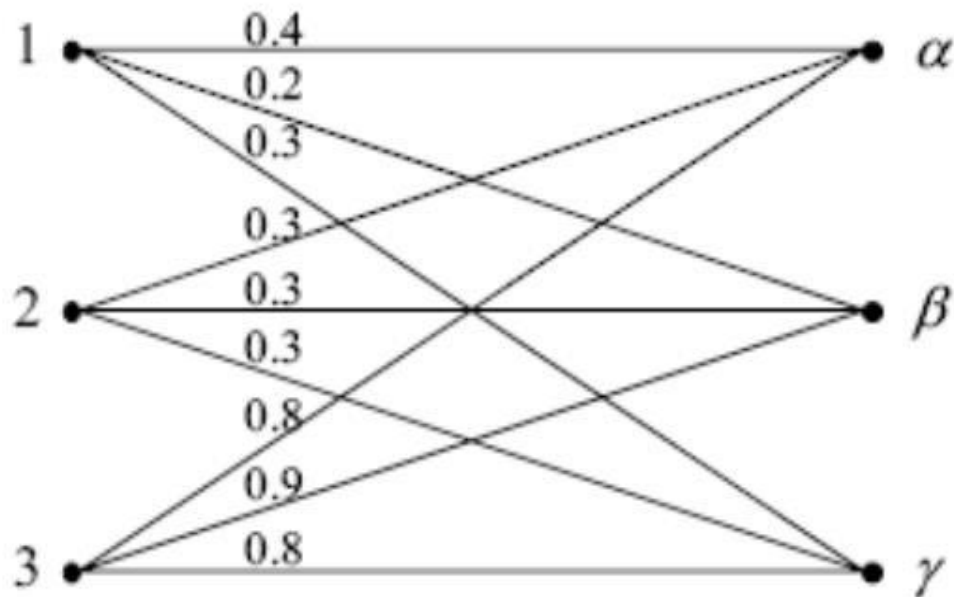
S	α	β	γ
a	0.9	0.0	0.3
b	0.2	1.0	0.8
c	0.8	0.0	0.7
d	0.4	0.2	0.3

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_{S \circ R}(1, \beta) &= \max[\min(0.1, 0.0), \min(0.2, 1.0), \min(0.0, 0.0), \min(1.0, 0.2)] \\ &= \max[0.0, 0.2, 0.0, 0.2] = 0.2\end{aligned}$$

Composition of fuzzy relations

S•R	α	β	γ
1	0.4	0.2	0.3
2	0.3	0.3	0.3
3	0.8	0.9	0.8

S•R



Composition of fuzzy relation

Example:

Obtain fuzzy relation T as a composition between fuzzy Relation R and S.

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{cc} & \begin{array}{cc} Y_1 & Y_2 \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{array} & \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.3 \\ 0.2 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \end{array}$$

$$\mathbf{S} = \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{ccc} Z_1 & Z_2 & Z_3 \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \end{array} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.5 & 0.3 \\ 0.8 & 0.4 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} \end{array}$$

Solution:

1. Max-min composition

$$\begin{aligned} T_{2 \times 3} &= \begin{bmatrix} \max(0.6, 0.3) & \max(0.5, 0.3) & \max(0.3, 0.3) \\ \max(0.2, 0.8) & \max(0.2, 0.4) & \max(0.2, 0.7) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.5 & 0.3 \\ 0.8 & 0.4 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Composition of fuzzy relation

Example:

Obtain fuzzy relation T as a composition between fuzzy Relation R and S.

$$R = \begin{array}{c|cc} & \xrightarrow{Y_1 \quad Y_2} & \\ \xrightarrow{X_1 \quad X_2} & \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.3 \\ 0.2 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix} & \end{array}$$

$$S = \begin{array}{c|ccc} & \xrightarrow{Z_1 \quad Z_2 \quad Z_3} & \\ \xrightarrow{Y_1 \quad Y_2} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.5 & 0.3 \\ 0.8 & 0.4 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} & \end{array}$$

Solution:

1. Max-product composition

$$\begin{aligned} T_{2 \times 3} &= \begin{bmatrix} \max(0.6, 0.24) & \max(0.3, 0.12) & \max(0.18, 0.21) \\ \max(0.2, 0.72) & \max(0.1, 0.36) & \max(0.06, 0.63) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.3 & 0.21 \\ 0.72 & 0.36 & 0.63 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Example 2

Let $R_1(x, y)$ and $R_2(y, z)$, be defined as the following relational matrices

$$R_1 = \begin{matrix} & 0.6 & 0.5 \\ 1 & 1 & 0.1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.7 \end{matrix}$$

$$R_2 = \begin{matrix} & 0.7 & 0.3 & 0.4 \\ 0.9 & 0.1 & 0.6 \end{matrix}$$

Calculate the max-min composition $R_1 \circ R_2$

$$R_1 \circ R_2 = \begin{matrix} & 0.6 & 0.5 \\ 1 & 1 & 0.1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.7 \end{matrix} \circ \begin{matrix} & 0.7 & 0.3 & 0.4 \\ 0.9 & 0.1 & 0.6 \end{matrix}$$

$$\mu_{R_1 \circ R_2}(x_1, x_2) = \max [\min (0.6, 0.7), \min (0.5, 0.9)] = \max (0.6, 0.5) = 0.6$$

Similarly we can calculate the other entries. The relational matrix for max-min composition in fuzzy relation is thus

$$R_1 \circ R_2 = \begin{matrix} & \mathbf{0.6} & \mathbf{0.3} & \mathbf{0.5} \\ \mathbf{0.7} & \mathbf{0.3} & \mathbf{0.4} \\ \mathbf{0.7} & \mathbf{0.1} & \mathbf{0.6} \end{matrix}$$

Example 3

Let $R_1(x, y)$ and $R_2(y, z)$, be defined as the following relational matrices

$$R_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.2 & 0 & 1 & 0.7 \\ 0.3 & 0.5 & 0 & 0.2 & 1 \\ 0.8 & 0 & 1 & 0.4 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_2(y, z) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 0 & 0.3 & 0.4 \\ 0.2 & 1 & 0.8 & 0 \\ 0.8 & 0 & 0.7 & 1 \\ 0.4 & 0.2 & 0.3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix}$$

Calculate the max-min composition $R_1 \circ R_2 (x, z)$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{R_1 \circ R_2}(x_1, z_1) &= \max[\min(0.1, 0.9), \min(0.2, 0.2), \min(0, 0.8), \min(1, 0.4), \\ &\quad \min(0.7, 0)] \\ &= \max [0.1, 0.2, 0, 0.4, 0] = 0.4 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly we can determine the grades of membership for all pairs (x_i, z_i) ; $i=1,2,3$ & $j=1,2\dots$

The relational matrix for max-min composition in fuzzy relation is thus

$$R_1 \circ R_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.7 & 0.3 & 0.7 \\ 0.3 & 1 & 0.5 & 0.8 \\ 0.8 & 0.3 & 0.7 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example 3

Calculate by max product composition

$$R_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.2 & 0 & 1 & 0.7 \\ 0.3 & 0.5 & 0 & 0.2 & 1 \\ 0.8 & 0 & 1 & 0.4 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_2(y, z) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 0 & 0.3 & 0.4 \\ 0.2 & 1 & 0.8 & 0 \\ 0.8 & 0 & 0.7 & 1 \\ 0.4 & 0.2 & 0.3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mu_{R_1}(x_1, y_1) \cdot \mu_{R_2}(y_1, z_1) = 0.1 * 0.9 = 0.09$$

$$\mu_{R_1}(x_1, y_2) \cdot \mu_{R_2}(y_2, z_1) = 0.2 * 0.2 = 0.04$$

$$\mu_{R_1}(x_1, y_3) \cdot \mu_{R_2}(y_3, z_1) = 0 * 0.8 = 0$$

$$\mu_{R_1}(x_1, y_4) \cdot \mu_{R_2}(y_4, z_1) = 1 * 0.4 = 0.4$$

$$\mu_{R_1}(x_1, y_5) \cdot \mu_{R_2}(y_5, z_1) = 0.7 * 0 = 0$$

$$\mu_{R_1 \circ R_2}(x_1, z_1) = \max(0.09, 0.04, 0, 0.4, 0) = 0.4$$

Similarly, by performing all calculation, we get $\mu_{R_1 \circ R_2} =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.7 & 0.3 & 0.56 \\ 0.27 & 1 & 0.4 & 0.8 \\ 0.8 & 0.3 & 0.7 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example of Crisp composition

$$X = \{x_1, x_2\}$$

$$Y = \{y_1, y_2\}$$

$$Z = \{z_1, z_2\}$$

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad Q = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find the max-min composition and max product composition

$$S = R \circ Q$$

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is the max-min composition.}$$

And

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is the max-product composition.}$$

It is clear from the example that **max-min composition** and **max product composition** of **crisp relations** will yield the **same** result, but in **fuzzy** max-min composition and max product composition have **different result**.

Composition of fuzzy relation

Exercise:

Find Max –min composition and

Max-product composition

For given fuzzy relation.

$$R = \begin{matrix} & Y_1 & Y_2 \\ \begin{matrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \\ X_3 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 0.1 \\ 0.2 & 0.9 \\ 0.8 & 0.6 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix} \quad S = \begin{matrix} & Z_1 & Z_2 & Z_3 \\ \begin{matrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.4 & 0.7 \\ 0.5 & 0.8 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

Alpha-Cut/ Alpha Level or Cut Worthy Set of Fuzzy Relation

Let $X=\{1,2,3,4\}$ and Let $A=\{(1,0.2), (2,0.4), (3,0.6), (4,0.9)\}$

Let $\alpha = 0.3$

Then $A_{\alpha=0.3} = \{2,3,4\}$ as

$$\mu_A(1) = 0.2 < 0.3$$

$$\mu_A(2) = 0.4 > 0.3$$

$$\mu_A(3) = 0.6 > 0.3$$

$$\mu_A(4) = 0.9 > 0.3$$

α -cut of fuzzy relation

- Assume $R \subseteq A \times B$, and R_α is a α -cut relation. Then
$$R_\alpha = \{(x, y) \mid \mu_R(x, y) \geq \alpha, \quad x \in A, y \in B\}$$

Note that R_α is a crisp relation. \square

- Example

$M_R =$		0.9	0.4	0.0
		0.2	1.0	0.4
		0.0	0.7	1.0
		0.4	0.2	0.0

$A = \{0, 0.2, 0.4, 0.7, 0.9, 1.0\}$

α -cut of fuzzy relation

0.9	0.4	0.0
0.2	1.0	0.4
0.0	0.7	1.0
0.4	0.2	0.0

$$M_{R\,0.4} =$$

1	1	0
0	1	1
0	1	1
1	0	0

$$M_{R\,0.9} =$$

1	0	0
0	1	0
0	0	1
0	0	0

$$M_{R\,0.7} =$$

1	0	0
0	1	0
0	1	1
0	0	0

$$M_{R\,1.0} =$$

0	0	0
0	1	0
0	0	1
0	0	0