

# Fuzzy relations on generalized residuated lattices

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## Abstract

We investigate the properties of fuzzy relations in generalized residuated lattice. In particular, we construct  $l$ -preorders ( $r$ -preorders) induced by fuzzy relations.

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## 1 Introduction

Wille [11] introduced the structures on lattices which are important mathematical tools for data analysis and knowledge processing. MV-algebra was introduced by Chang [2] to provide algebraic models for many valued propositional logic. Recently, it is developed many directions (BL-algebra, residuated algebra) [9,11]. On the other hand, noncommutative structures play an important role in metric spaces, algebraic structures (groups, rings, quantales, pseudo-BL-algebras)[3-8,10]. Georgescu and Iorgulescu [5] introduced pseudo MV-algebras as the generalization of the MV-algebras. Georgescu and Popescu [6] introduced generalized residuated lattice as a noncommutative structure.

In this paper, we study the properties of fuzzy relations in generalized residuated lattice. In particular, we construct  $l$ -preorders ( $r$ -preorders) induced by fuzzy relations.

## 2 Preliminaries

**Definition 2.1** [6] A triple  $(L, \vee, \wedge, \odot, \rightarrow, \Rightarrow, \perp, \top)$  is called a *generalized residuated lattice* iff it satisfies the following properties:

(L1)  $(L, \vee, \wedge, \perp, \top)$  is a bounded lattice where  $\perp$  is the bottom element and  $\top$  is the top element;

(L2)  $(L, \odot, \top)$  is a monoid;

(L3) adjointness properties, i.e.

$$x \leq y \rightarrow z \text{ iff } x \odot y \leq z \text{ iff } y \leq x \Rightarrow z.$$

Two maps  ${}^0, {}^*: L \rightarrow L$  defined by  $a^0 = a \rightarrow \perp$  and  $a^* = a \Rightarrow \perp$  is called *strong negations* if  $a^{0*} = a$  and  $a^{*0} = a$ .

In this paper, we assume that  $(L, \vee, \wedge, \odot, \rightarrow, \Rightarrow, *, {}^0, \perp, \top)$  be a generalized residuated lattice with strong negations  $*$  and  ${}^0$ .

**Definition 2.2** Let  $X$  be a set. A function  $R : X \times X \rightarrow L$  is called *l-preorder* on  $X$  if it satisfies the following conditions:

(R) (reflexive)  $R(x, x) = \top$  for all  $x \in X$ ,

(LT) (*l*-transitive)  $R(x, y) \odot R(y, z) \leq R(x, z)$ , for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

A function  $R : X \times X \rightarrow L$  is called *r-preorder* on  $X$  if it satisfies (R) and the following condition:

(RT) (*r*-transitive)  $R(y, z) \odot R(x, y) \leq R(x, z)$ , for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

The pair  $(X, R)$  is an *l-preorder (resp. r-preorder) set*.

An *l-preorder (resp. r-preorder)*  $R$  is called an *l-order (resp. r-order)* if  $R(x, y) = \top$  implies  $x = y$ .

An *l-preorder*  $R$  is an  $\odot$ -equivalence relation if it satisfies

(S) (symmetric)  $R(x, y) = R(y, x)$  for all  $x \in X$ .

**Lemma 2.3** For each  $x, y, z, x_i, y_i \in L$ , the following properties hold.

- (1)  $\odot$  is isotone in both arguments.
- (2)  $\rightarrow$  and  $\Rightarrow$  are antitone in the first and isotone in the second argument.
- (3)  $x \rightarrow y = \top$  iff  $x \leq y$  iff  $x \Rightarrow y = \top$ .
- (4)  $x \rightarrow \top = x \Rightarrow \top = \top$  and  $\top \rightarrow x = \top \Rightarrow x = x$ .
- (5)  $x \odot y \leq x \wedge y$ .
- (6)  $x \odot (\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} y_i) = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (x \odot y_i)$  and  $(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} x_i) \odot y = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (x_i \odot y)$ .
- (7)  $x \rightarrow (\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} y_i) = \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} (x \rightarrow y_i)$  and  $(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} x_i) \rightarrow y = \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} (x_i \rightarrow y)$ .
- (8)  $x \Rightarrow (\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} y_i) = \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} (x \Rightarrow y_i)$  and  $(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} x_i) \Rightarrow y = \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} (x_i \Rightarrow y)$ .
- (9)  $x \odot (x \Rightarrow y) \leq y$  and  $(x \rightarrow y) \odot x \leq y$ .
- (10)  $(x \Rightarrow y) \odot (y \Rightarrow z) \leq (x \Rightarrow z)$  and  $(y \rightarrow z) \odot (x \rightarrow y) \leq (x \rightarrow z)$ .
- (11)  $x \Rightarrow y \leq (y \Rightarrow z) \rightarrow (x \Rightarrow z)$  and  $x \rightarrow y \leq (y \rightarrow z) \Rightarrow (x \rightarrow z)$ .
- (12)  $\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} x_i^* = (\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} x_i)^*$  and  $\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} x_i^* = (\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} x_i)^*$ .
- (13)  $\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} x_i^0 = (\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} x_i)^0$  and  $\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} x_i^0 = (\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} x_i)^0$ .
- (14)  $(x \odot y) \rightarrow z = x \rightarrow (y \rightarrow z)$  and  $(x \odot y)^0 = x \rightarrow y^0$ .
- (15)  $(x \odot y) \Rightarrow z = y \Rightarrow (x \Rightarrow z)$  and  $(x \odot y)^* = y \Rightarrow x^*$ .
- (16)  $x \rightarrow (y \Rightarrow z) = y \Rightarrow (x \rightarrow z)$  and  $x \Rightarrow (y \rightarrow z) = y \rightarrow (x \Rightarrow z)$ .

**Proof.** (1)-(11) are proved in [6].

(12) By (8),  $\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} x_i^* = (\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} x_i)^*$ . Since  $(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} x_i^*) \rightarrow 0 = \bigwedge (x_i^*)^0 = \bigwedge x_i$ , we have  $\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} x_i^* = ((\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} x_i^*) \rightarrow 0) \Rightarrow 0 = (\bigwedge x_i) \Rightarrow 0 = (\bigwedge x_i)^*$ .

(14) Since  $((x \odot y) \rightarrow z) \odot (x \odot y) \leq z$ , we have  $(x \odot y) \rightarrow z \leq x \rightarrow (y \rightarrow z)$ . Since  $(x \rightarrow (y \rightarrow z)) \odot (x \odot y) \leq (y \rightarrow z) \odot y \leq z$ , we have  $x \rightarrow (y \rightarrow z) \leq ((x \odot y) \rightarrow z)$ .

(16) Since  $(y \odot ((x \rightarrow (y \Rightarrow z)))) \odot x = y \odot ((x \rightarrow (y \Rightarrow z)) \odot x) \leq y \odot (y \Rightarrow z) \leq z$ , then  $x \rightarrow (y \Rightarrow z) \leq y \Rightarrow (x \rightarrow z)$ .

Since  $y \odot ((y \Rightarrow (x \rightarrow z)) \odot x) = (y \odot ((y \Rightarrow (x \rightarrow z)))) \odot x = (x \rightarrow z) \odot x \leq z$ , then  $y \Rightarrow (x \rightarrow z) \leq x \rightarrow (y \Rightarrow z)$ .

Other cases are similarly proved.

### 3 Fuzzy relations on generalized residuated lattices

**Theorem 3.1** Let  $R_1, R_2, R_3 \in L^{X \times X}$  be fuzzy relations. The compositions of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are defined as

$$R_1 \circ R_2(x, z) = \bigvee_{y \in Y} R_1(x, y) \odot R_2(y, z)$$

$$R_1 \otimes R_2(x, z) = \bigvee_{y \in Y} R_2(y, z) \odot R_1(x, y)$$

$$(R_1 \Rightarrow R_2)(x, z) = \bigwedge_{y \in Y} (R_1(x, y) \Rightarrow R_2(y, z))$$

$$(R_1 \rightarrow R_2)(x, z) = \bigwedge_{y \in Y} (R_1(x, y) \rightarrow R_2(y, z))$$

$$(R_1 \Leftarrow R_2)(x, z) = \bigwedge_{y \in Y} (R_2(y, z) \Leftarrow R_1(x, y))$$

$$(R_1 \leftarrow R_2)(x, z) = \bigwedge_{y \in Y} (R_2(y, z) \rightarrow R_1(x, y))$$

$$R_i^s(y, x) = R_i(x, y), \forall i \in \{1, 2\}.$$

Then we have the following properties.

- (1)  $(R_1 \circ R_2)^s = R_2^s \otimes R_1^s$  and  $(R_1 \otimes R_2)^s = R_2^s \circ R_1^s$ .
- (2)  $(R_1 \circ R_2)^* = R_1^* \Leftarrow R_2$  and  $(R_1 \circ R_2)^0 = R_1 \rightarrow R_2^0$ .
- (3)  $(R_1 \otimes R_2)^* = R_1 \Rightarrow R_2^*$  and  $(R_1 \otimes R_2)^0 = R_1^0 \Leftarrow R_2$ .
- (4)  $(R_1 \Rightarrow R_2)^s = R_2^s \Leftarrow R_1^s$  and  $(R_1 \rightarrow R_2)^s = R_2^s \leftarrow R_1^s$ .
- (5)  $(R_1 \Leftarrow R_2)^s = R_2^s \Rightarrow R_1^s$  and  $(R_1 \leftarrow R_2)^s = R_2^s \rightarrow R_1^s$ .

- (6)  $R_1 \circ R_2 \leq R_3$  iff  $R_1 \leq R_3 \leftarrow R_2^s$  iff  $R_2 \leq R_1^s \Rightarrow R_3$ .  
(7)  $R_1 \otimes R_2 \leq R_3$  iff  $R_2 \leq R_1^s \rightarrow R_3$  iff  $R_1 \leq R_3 \Leftarrow R_2^s$ .  
(8)  $(R_1 \circ R_2) \rightarrow R_3 = R_1 \rightarrow (R_2 \rightarrow R_3)$  and  $(R_1 \otimes R_2) \Rightarrow R_3 = R_1 \Rightarrow (R_2 \Rightarrow R_3)$ ,  
(9)  $(R_1 \leftarrow R_2) \leftarrow R_3 = R_1 \leftarrow (R_2 \otimes R_3)$  and  $(R_1 \Leftarrow R_2) \Leftarrow R_3 = R_1 \Leftarrow (R_2 \circ R_3)$ ,  
(10)  $R_1 \Rightarrow (R_2 \leftarrow R_3) = ((R_1 \Rightarrow R_2) \leftarrow R_3)$  and  $R_1 \rightarrow (R_2 \Leftarrow R_3) = ((R_1 \rightarrow R_2) \Leftarrow R_3)$ .

**Proof (1)**

$$\begin{aligned} (R_1 \circ R_2)^s(z, x) &= (R_1 \circ R_2)(x, z) \\ &= \bigvee_{y \in V} (R_1(x, y) \odot R_2(y, z)) \\ &= \bigvee_{y \in V} (R_1^s(y, x) \odot R_2^s(z, y)) \\ &= (R_2^s \otimes R_1^s)(z, x). \end{aligned}$$

(2) By Lemma 2.3 (12,15), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (R_1 \circ R_2)^*(x, z) &= \left( \bigvee_{y \in V} (R_1(x, y) \odot R_2(y, z)) \right) \Rightarrow 0 \\ &= \bigwedge_{y \in V} \left( R_2(y, z) \Rightarrow (R_1(x, y) \Rightarrow 0) \right) \\ &= (R_1^* \Leftarrow R_2)(x, z). \end{aligned}$$

(3) By Lemma 2.3 (13,14), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (R_1 \otimes R_2)^0(x, z) &= \left( \bigvee_{y \in V} (R_2(y, z) \odot R_1(x, y)) \right) \rightarrow 0 \\ &= \bigwedge_{y \in V} \left( R_2(y, z) \rightarrow (R_1(x, y) \rightarrow 0) \right) \\ &= (R_1^0 \leftarrow R_2)(x, z). \end{aligned}$$

(4)

$$\begin{aligned} (R_1 \Rightarrow R_2)^s(z, x) &= (R_1 \Rightarrow R_2)(x, z) \\ &= \bigwedge_{y \in Y} (R_1(x, y) \Rightarrow R_2(y, z)) \\ &= \bigwedge_{y \in Y} (R_1^s(y, x) \Rightarrow R_2^s(z, y)) \\ &= (R_2^s \Leftarrow R_1^s)(z, x). \end{aligned}$$

(6) We have  $R_1 \circ R_2 \leq R_3$  iff  $R_1 \leq (R_3 \leftarrow R_2^s)$  iff  $R_2 \leq (R_1^s \Rightarrow R_3)$  because

$$\begin{aligned} R_1(x, y) \odot R_2(y, z) \leq R_3(x, z) &\text{ iff } R_1(x, y) \leq R_2(y, z) \rightarrow R_3(x, z) \\ R_1(x, y) \odot R_2(y, z) \leq R_3(x, z) &\text{ iff } R_2(y, z) \leq R_1(x, y) \Rightarrow R_3(x, z). \end{aligned}$$

(8) By Lemma 2.3 (8,15), we have

$$\begin{aligned} ((R_1 \otimes R_2) \Rightarrow R_3)(x, p) &= \bigwedge_{z \in X} ((R_1 \otimes R_2)(x, z) \Rightarrow R_3(z, p)) \\ &= \bigwedge_{z \in X} ((\bigvee_{y \in X} (R_2(y, z) \odot R_1(x, y)) \Rightarrow R_3(z, p))) \\ &= \bigwedge_{z \in X} \bigwedge_{y \in X} (R_1(x, y) \Rightarrow (R_2(y, z) \Rightarrow R_3(z, p))) \\ &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} (R_1(x, y) \Rightarrow (R_2 \Rightarrow R_3)(y, p)) \\ &= (R_1 \Rightarrow (R_2 \Rightarrow R_3))(x, p). \end{aligned}$$

(9) By Lemma 2.3 (14), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 ((R_1 \leftarrow R_2) \leftarrow R_3)(x, p) &= \bigwedge_{z \in X} (R_3(z, p) \rightarrow (R_1 \leftarrow R_2)(x, z)) \\
 &= \bigwedge_{z \in X} (R_3(z, p) \rightarrow \bigwedge_{y \in X} (R_2(y, z) \rightarrow R_1(x, y))) \\
 &= \bigwedge_{z \in X} \bigwedge_{y \in X} (R_3(z, p) \rightarrow (R_2(y, z) \rightarrow R_1(x, y))) \\
 &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} ((\bigvee_{z \in X} (R_3(z, p) \odot R_2(y, z)) \rightarrow R_1(x, y))) \\
 &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} ((R_2 \otimes R_3)(y, p) \rightarrow R_1(x, y)) \\
 &= (R_1 \leftarrow (R_2 \otimes R_3))(x, p).
 \end{aligned}$$

(10) By Lemma 2.3 (16), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (R_1 \Rightarrow (R_2 \leftarrow R_3))(x, p) &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} (R_1(x, y) \Rightarrow (R_2 \leftarrow R_3)(y, p)) \\
 &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} (R_1(x, y) \Rightarrow \bigwedge_{z \in W} (R_3(z, p) \rightarrow R_2(y, z))) \\
 &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} \bigwedge_{z \in X} (R_1(x, y) \Rightarrow (R_3(z, p) \rightarrow R_2(y, z))) \\
 &= \bigwedge_{z \in X} \bigwedge_{y \in X} (R_3(z, p) \rightarrow (R_1(x, y) \Rightarrow R_2(y, z))) \\
 &= \bigwedge_{z \in X} (R_3(z, p) \rightarrow \bigwedge_{y \in X} (R_1(x, y) \Rightarrow R_2(y, z))) \\
 &= \bigwedge_{z \in X} (R_3(z, p) \rightarrow (R_1 \Rightarrow R_2)(x, z)) \\
 &= ((R_1 \Rightarrow R_2) \leftarrow R_3)(x, p).
 \end{aligned}$$

Other cases are similarly proved.

**Theorem 3.2** *Let  $R \in L^{X \times X}$  be a fuzzy relation. We have the following properties.*

- (1) *If  $R$  is an  $\odot$ -equivalence relation, then  $R$  is an  $r$ -preorder.*
- (2) *If  $R$  is an  $r$ -preorder and symmetric, then  $R$  is an  $\odot$ -equivalence relation.*
- (3) *If  $R$  is an  $l$ -preorder (resp.  $r$ -preorder), then  $R^s$  is an  $r$ -preorder (resp.  $l$ -preorder).*
- (4) *If  $R$  is reflexive, then  $R \circ R, R \otimes R$  are reflexive,  $R \leq (R \circ R), R \leq (R \otimes R), (R \rightarrow R) \leq R, (R \Rightarrow R) \leq R, (R \Leftarrow R) \leq R$  and  $(R \leftarrow R) \leq R$ .*
- (5)  *$R$  is symmetric iff  $(R \Rightarrow R)$  is reflexive iff  $(R \Leftarrow R)$  is reflexive iff  $(R \rightarrow R)$  is reflexive iff  $(R \leftarrow R)$  is reflexive.*
- (6) *If  $R$  is symmetric, then  $(R \circ R)^s = R \otimes R, (R \otimes R)^s = R \circ R, (R \Leftarrow R)^s = R \Rightarrow R, (R \Rightarrow R)^s = R \Leftarrow R, (R \leftarrow R)^s = R \rightarrow R, (R \rightarrow R)^s = R \Leftarrow R$ .*
- (7)  *$R$  is  $l$ -transitive iff  $R \circ R \leq R$  iff  $R \leq (R^s \Rightarrow R)$  iff  $R \leq (R \leftarrow R^s)$ .*
- (8)  *$R$  is  $r$ -transitive iff  $R \otimes R \leq R$  iff  $R \leq (R^s \rightarrow R)$  iff  $R \leq (R \Leftarrow R^s)$ .*
- (9) *If  $R$  is an  $l$ -preorder, then  $R = (R \circ R) = (R^s \Rightarrow R) = (R \leftarrow R^s)$ .*
- (10) *If  $R$  is an  $r$ -preorder, then  $R = (R \otimes R) = (R^s \rightarrow R) = (R \Leftarrow R^s)$ .*
- (11)  *$R$  is an  $\odot$ -equivalence relation iff  $(R \Rightarrow R)$  and  $R$  are reflexive and  $R \leq (R \Rightarrow R)$  iff  $(R \Leftarrow R)$  and  $R$  are reflexive and  $R \leq (R \Leftarrow R)$  iff  $(R \rightarrow R)$  and  $R$  are reflexive and  $R \leq (R \rightarrow R)$  iff  $(R \leftarrow R)$  and  $R$  are reflexive and  $R \leq (R \leftarrow R)$ .*

(12) If  $R$  is an  $\odot$ -equivalence relation, then  $R = (R \circ R) = R \otimes R = (R \Rightarrow R) = (R \Leftarrow R) = (R \rightarrow R) = (R \leftarrow R)$ .

(13) If  $R$  is symmetric, then  $R \Rightarrow R$  and  $R \Leftarrow R$  are  $l$ -preorder,  $R \rightarrow R$  and  $R \leftarrow R$  are  $r$ -preorder.

(14) Let  $R$  be reflexive. We define

$$R^\infty(x, y) = \bigvee_{n \in \mathbb{N}} R^n(x, y)$$

where  $R^n = \overbrace{R \circ R \dots \circ R}^n$ . Then  $R^\infty$  is an  $l$ -preorder.

(15) Let  $R$  be reflexive. We define

$$R^{[\infty]}(x, y) = \bigvee_{n \in \mathbb{N}} R^{[n]}(x, y)$$

where  $R^{[n]} = \overbrace{R \otimes R \dots \otimes R}^{[n]}$ . Then  $R^{[\infty]}$  is an  $r$ -preorder.

(16)  $U^\infty$  is an  $l$ -preorder and  $U^{[\infty]}$  is an  $r$ -preorder for  $U \in \{R \Rightarrow R^s, R \rightarrow R^s, R \Leftarrow R^s, R \leftarrow R^s, R^s \Rightarrow R, R^s \rightarrow R, R^s \Leftarrow R, R^s \leftarrow R\}$ .

**Proof** (1) Since  $R$  is symmetric,  $R$  is  $r$ -transitive from:

$$R(y, z) \odot R(x, y) = R(z, y) \odot R(y, x) \leq R(z, x) = R(x, z).$$

(2) Since  $R$  is symmetric and  $R$  is  $r$ -transitive,  $R$  is  $l$ -transitive.

(3) It follows from

$$R^s(y, z) \odot R^s(x, y) = R(z, y) \odot R(y, x) \leq R(z, x) = R^s(x, z).$$

(4) Since  $R \circ R(x, x) \geq R(x, x) \odot R(x, x) = \top$ ,  $R \circ R$  is reflexive.

$$\begin{aligned} (R \Rightarrow R)(x, z) &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} (R(x, y) \rightarrow R(y, z)) \\ &\leq (R(x, x) \rightarrow R(x, z)) = R(x, z). \end{aligned}$$

Other cases are similarly proved.

(5) It easily proved because

$$\begin{aligned} (R \Rightarrow R)(x, x) &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} (R(x, y) \rightarrow R(y, x)) = \top \\ \text{iff } R(x, y) &\leq R(y, x) \text{ ( by Lemma 2.3 (3)).} \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,  $R(x, y) \geq R(y, x)$ . Hence  $R$  is symmetric. Other cases are similarly proved.

(6)  $(R \circ R)^s = R^s \otimes R^s = R \otimes R$ .  $(R \Leftarrow R)^s = (R^s \Rightarrow R^s) = (R \Rightarrow R)$ . Other cases are similarly proved.

(7) We have  $R \circ R \leq R$  iff  $R \leq (R^s \Rightarrow R)$  iff  $R \leq (R \leftarrow R^s)$  because

$$\begin{aligned} R(x, y) \odot R(y, z) \leq R(x, z) &\text{ iff } R(y, z) \leq R(x, y) \Rightarrow R(x, z) \\ R(x, y) \odot R(y, z) \leq R(x, z) &\text{ iff } R(x, y) \leq R(y, z) \rightarrow R(x, z). \end{aligned}$$

Other cases are similarly proved.

(8) It is similarly proved as in (7).

(9) If  $R$  is reflexive, then  $R \leq (R \circ R)$   $R \leq (R^s \Rightarrow R)$  and  $R \leq (R \leftarrow R^s)$ .

By (7), the results holds.

(10) It is similarly proved as in (8).

(11) It follows from (4),(7) and (8).

(12) Since  $R^s = R$ , by (9,10), we easily prove it.

(13) Since  $R$  is symmetric, by (5),  $R \Rightarrow R$  is reflexive.

$$\begin{aligned} (R \Rightarrow R)(x, y) \odot (R \Rightarrow R)(y, z) &\leq (R(x, p) \Rightarrow R(p, y)) \odot (R(y, p) \Rightarrow R(p, z)) \\ &\leq (R(x, p) \Rightarrow R(p, y)) \odot (R(p, y) \Rightarrow R(p, z)) \\ &\leq R(x, p) \Rightarrow R(p, z) \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $R \Rightarrow R$  is  $l$ -transitive. Thus  $R \Rightarrow R$  is an  $l$ -preorder. Other cases are similarly proved.

(14) Since  $R$  is reflexive and  $R(x, x) \leq R^2(x, x) \leq R^\infty(x, x)$ , then  $R^\infty$  is reflexive. Suppose there exist  $x, y, z \in X$  such that

$$R^\infty(x, y) \circ R^\infty(y, z) \not\leq R^\infty(x, z).$$

By the definition of  $R^\infty(x, y)$ , there exists  $x_i \in X$  such that

$$R(x, x_1) \odot R(x_1, x_2) \odot \dots \odot R(x_n, y) \circ R^\infty(y, z) \not\leq R^\infty(x, z).$$

By the definition of  $R^\infty(y, z)$ , there exists  $y_j \in X$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} &R(x, x_1) \odot R(x_1, x_2) \odot \dots \odot R(x_n, y) \\ &\odot R(y, y_1) \odot R(y_1, y_2) \odot \dots \odot R(y_n, z) \not\leq R^\infty(x, z). \end{aligned}$$

It is a contradiction for the definition of  $R^\infty(x, z)$ . Hence  $R^\infty$  is  $l$ -transitive.

(15) Since  $R$  is reflexive and  $R(x, x) \leq R^{[2]}(x, x) \leq R^{[\infty]}(x, x)$ , then  $R^{[\infty]}$  is reflexive. Suppose there exist  $x, y, z \in X$  such that

$$R^{[\infty]}(y, z) \otimes R^{[\infty]}(x, y) \not\leq R^{[\infty]}(x, z).$$

By the definition of  $R^{[\infty]}(x, y)$ , there exists  $x_i \in X$  such that

$$R^{[\infty]}(y, z) \otimes R(x_n, y) \dots \odot R(x_1, x_2) \odot R(x, x_1) \not\leq R^{[\infty]}(x, z).$$

By the definition of  $R^{[\infty]}(y, z)$ , there exists  $y_j \in X$  such that

$$R(y_m, z) \odot \dots \odot R(y_1, y_2) \odot R(y, y_1)$$

$$\odot R(x_n, y) \dots \odot R(x_1, x_2) \odot R(x, x_1) \not\leq R^{[\infty]}(x, z).$$

It is a contradiction for the definition of  $R^{[\infty]}(x, z)$ . Hence  $R^{[\infty]}$  is  $r$ -transitive.

(16) For  $U \in \{R \Rightarrow R^s, R \rightarrow R^s, R \Leftarrow R^s, R \leftarrow R^s, R^s \Rightarrow R, R^s \rightarrow R, R^s \Leftarrow R, R^s \leftarrow R\}$ ,  $U$  is reflexive. By (14,15), it is easily proved.

**Theorem 3.3** *Let  $X$  be a set and  $A \in L^X$ . We define  $R_{\Rightarrow}, R_{\rightarrow} : X \times X \rightarrow L$  as follows:*

$$R_{\Rightarrow}(x, y) = A(x) \Rightarrow A(y), \quad R_{\rightarrow}(x, y) = A(x) \rightarrow A(y).$$

*We have the following properties.*

- (1)  $R_{\Rightarrow}$  is  $l$ -preorder and  $R_{\rightarrow}$  is  $r$ -preorder.
- (2)  $R_l$  is  $l$ -preorder and  $R_r$  is  $r$ -preorder with  $R_r = R_l^s$  where  $R_l(x, y) = R_{\Rightarrow}(x, y) \wedge R_{\rightarrow}(y, x)$  and  $R_r(x, y) = R_{\rightarrow}(x, y) \wedge R_{\Rightarrow}(y, x)$ . Moreover, if  $A$  is an injective function, then  $R_l$  is  $l$ -order and  $R_r$  is  $r$ -order.

**Proof.** (1) It follows from, by Lemma 2.3 (10),

$$(A(x) \Rightarrow A(y)) \odot (A(y) \Rightarrow A(z)) \leq (A(x) \Rightarrow A(z))$$

$$(A(y) \rightarrow A(z)) \odot (A(x) \rightarrow A(y)) \leq (A(x) \rightarrow A(z)).$$

(2)

$$\begin{aligned} R_l(x, y) \odot R_l(y, z) &\leq (A(x) \Rightarrow A(y)) \odot (A(y) \Rightarrow A(z)) \leq (A(x) \Rightarrow A(z)) \\ R_l(x, y) \odot R_l(y, z) &\leq (A(y) \rightarrow A(x)) \odot (A(z) \rightarrow A(y)) \leq (A(z) \rightarrow A(x)) \\ R_l(x, y) \odot R_l(y, z) &\leq R_l(x, z). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R_r(y, z) \odot R_r(x, y) &\leq (A(y) \rightarrow A(z)) \odot (A(x) \rightarrow A(y)) \leq (A(x) \rightarrow A(z)) \\ R_r(x, y) \odot R_r(y, z) &\leq (A(z) \Rightarrow A(y)) \odot (A(y) \Rightarrow A(x)) \leq (A(z) \Rightarrow A(x)) \\ R_r(y, z) \odot R_r(x, y) &\leq R_r(x, z). \end{aligned}$$

If  $R_l(x, y) = \top$ , then  $A(x) = A(y)$ . Since  $A$  is injective,  $x = y$ .

**Example 3.4** Let  $K = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x > 0\}$  be a set and we define an operation  $\otimes : K \times K \rightarrow K$  as follows:

$$(x_1, y_1) \otimes (x_2, y_2) = (x_1x_2, x_1y_2 + y_1).$$

Then  $(K, \otimes)$  is a group with  $e = (1, 0)$ ,  $(x, y)^{-1} = (\frac{1}{x}, -\frac{y}{x})$ .

We have a positive cone  $P = \{(a, b) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid a = 1, b \geq 0, \text{ or } a > 1\}$  because  $P \cap P^{-1} = \{(1, 0)\}$ ,  $P \odot P \subset P$ ,  $(a, b)^{-1} \odot P \odot (a, b) = P$  and  $P \cup P^{-1} = K$ . For  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in K$ , we define

$$\begin{aligned} (x_1, y_1) \leq (x_2, y_2) &\Leftrightarrow (x_1, y_1)^{-1} \odot (x_2, y_2) \in P, \quad (x_2, y_2) \odot (x_1, y_1)^{-1} \in P \\ &\Leftrightarrow x_1 < x_2 \text{ or } x_1 = x_2, y_1 \leq y_2. \end{aligned}$$



Then  $(K, \leq \otimes)$  is a lattice-group. (ref. [1])

The structure  $(L, \odot, \Rightarrow, \rightarrow, (\frac{1}{2}, 1), (1, 0))$  is a generalized residuated lattice with strong negation where  $\perp = (\frac{1}{2}, 1)$  is the least element and  $\top = (1, 0)$  is the greatest element from the following statements:

$$\begin{aligned} (x_1, y_1) \odot (x_2, y_2) &= (x_1, y_1) \otimes (x_2, y_2) \vee (\frac{1}{2}, 1) = (x_1x_2, x_1y_2 + y_1) \vee (\frac{1}{2}, 1), \\ (x_1, y_1) \Rightarrow (x_2, y_2) &= ((x_1, y_1)^{-1} \otimes (x_2, y_2)) \wedge (1, 0) = (\frac{x_2}{x_1}, \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_1}) \wedge (1, 0), \\ (x_1, y_1) \rightarrow (x_2, y_2) &= ((x_2, y_2) \otimes (x_1, y_1)^{-1}) \wedge (1, 0) = (\frac{x_2}{x_1}, -\frac{x_2y_1}{x_1} + y_2) \wedge (1, 0). \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, we have  $(x, y) = (x, y)^{\circ} = (x, y)^{\circ*}$  from:

$$\begin{aligned} (x, y)^* &= (x, y) \Rightarrow (\frac{1}{2}, 1) = (\frac{1}{2x}, \frac{1-y}{x}), \\ (x, y)^{\circ*} &= (\frac{1}{2x}, \frac{1-y}{x}) \rightarrow (\frac{1}{2}, 1) = (x, y). \end{aligned}$$

(1) Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  be a set. Let  $A \in L^X$  as

$$A(a) = (0.6, 2), \quad A(b) = (0.8, -1), \quad A(c) = (0.5, 3).$$

From Theorem 3.3, we obtain  $R_{\Rightarrow}, R_{\rightarrow}, R_l, R_r \in L^{X \times X}$  as

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\Rightarrow} &= \begin{pmatrix} (1, 0) & (1, 0) & (\frac{5}{6}, \frac{5}{3}) \\ (\frac{3}{4}, \frac{15}{4}) & (1, 0) & (\frac{5}{8}, -1) \\ (1, 0) & (1, 0) & (1, 0) \end{pmatrix} \\ R_{\rightarrow} &= \begin{pmatrix} (1, 0) & (1, 0) & (\frac{5}{6}, \frac{4}{3}) \\ (\frac{3}{4}, \frac{11}{4}) & (1, 0) & (\frac{5}{8}, \frac{29}{8}) \\ (1, 0) & (1, 0) & (1, 0) \end{pmatrix} \\ R_l &= \begin{pmatrix} (1, 0) & (\frac{3}{4}, \frac{11}{4}) & (\frac{5}{6}, \frac{5}{3}) \\ (\frac{3}{4}, \frac{15}{4}) & (1, 0) & (\frac{5}{8}, 5) \\ (\frac{5}{6}, \frac{4}{3}) & (\frac{5}{8}, \frac{29}{8}) & (1, 0) \end{pmatrix} \\ R_r &= \begin{pmatrix} (1, 0) & (\frac{3}{4}, \frac{15}{4}) & (\frac{5}{6}, \frac{4}{3}) \\ (\frac{3}{4}, \frac{11}{4}) & (1, 0) & (\frac{5}{8}, \frac{29}{8}) \\ (\frac{5}{6}, \frac{5}{3}) & (\frac{5}{8}, 5) & (1, 0) \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

(2) Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  be a set. Define  $R \in L^{X \times X}$  as

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} (1, 0) & (0.6, 2) & (0.7, 1) \\ (0.6, 2) & (1, 0) & (0.9, -1) \\ (0.7, 1) & (0.9, -1) & (1, 0) \end{pmatrix}$$

Since  $(0.63, -1) = R(b, c) \odot R(c, a) \not\leq R(b, a) = (0.6, 2)$ ,  $R$  is not  $l$ -transitive. Since  $(0.63, -1) = R(c, b) \odot R(a, c) \not\leq R(a, b) = (0.6, 2)$ ,  $R$  is not  $r$ -transitive.

$$R \circ R = \begin{pmatrix} (1, 0) & (0.63, 0.3) & (0.7, 1) \\ (0.63, -0.1) & (1, 0) & (0.9, -1) \\ (0.7, 1) & (0.9, -1) & (1, 0) \end{pmatrix}$$

Since  $R \circ R = R^n = \bigvee_{n \in \mathbb{N}} R^n = R^\infty$  for  $n \geq 2$ , by Theorem 3.2 (14),  $R^2 = R^\infty$  is an  $l$ -order.

$$R \otimes R = \begin{pmatrix} (1, 0) & (0.63, -0.1) & (0.7, 1) \\ (0.63, 0.3) & (1, 0) & (0.9, -1) \\ (0.7, 1) & (0.9, -1) & (1, 0) \end{pmatrix}$$

Since  $R \otimes R = R^{[n]} = \bigvee_{n \in \mathbb{N}} R^{[n]} = R^{[\infty]}$  for  $n \geq 2$ , by Theorem 3.2 (15),  $R^{[2]} = R^{[\infty]}$  is an  $r$ -order.

$$R \Rightarrow R = \begin{pmatrix} (1, 0) & (0.6, 2) & (0.7, 1) \\ (0.6, 2) & (1, 0) & (0.9, -1) \\ (\frac{2}{3}, \frac{10}{3}) & (\frac{6}{7}, \frac{10}{7}) & (1, 0) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R \Leftarrow R = \begin{pmatrix} (1, 0) & (0.6, 2) & (\frac{2}{3}, \frac{10}{3}) \\ (0.6, 2) & (1, 0) & (\frac{6}{7}, \frac{10}{7}) \\ (0.7, 1) & (0.9, -1) & (1, 0) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R \rightarrow R = \begin{pmatrix} (1, 0) & (0.6, 2) & (0.7, 1) \\ (0.6, 2) & (1, 0) & (0.9, -1) \\ (\frac{2}{3}, \frac{10}{3}) & (\frac{6}{7}, \frac{8}{7}) & (1, 0) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R \leftarrow R = \begin{pmatrix} (1, 0) & (0.6, 2) & (\frac{2}{3}, \frac{10}{3}) \\ (0.6, 2) & (1, 0) & (\frac{6}{7}, \frac{8}{7}) \\ (0.7, 1) & (0.9, -1) & (1, 0) \end{pmatrix}$$

Since  $R$  is symmetric, by Theorem 3.2 (13),  $R \Rightarrow R$  and  $R \Leftarrow R$  are  $l$ -preorder,  $R \rightarrow R$  and  $R \leftarrow R$  are  $r$ -preorder.

(3) Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  be a set. Define  $R \in L^{X \times X}$  as

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} (\frac{1}{2}, 1) & (\frac{5}{6}, -\frac{2}{3}) & (\frac{5}{7}, \frac{2}{7}) \\ (\frac{5}{6}, -\frac{2}{3}) & (\frac{1}{2}, 1) & (\frac{5}{9}, \frac{14}{9}) \\ (\frac{5}{7}, \frac{2}{7}) & (\frac{5}{9}, \frac{14}{9}) & (\frac{1}{2}, 1) \end{pmatrix}$$

We obtain

$$R \circ R = \begin{pmatrix} (\frac{25}{36}, -\frac{11}{9}) & (\frac{1}{2}, 1) & (\frac{1}{2}, 1) \\ (\frac{1}{2}, 1) & (\frac{25}{36}, -\frac{11}{9}) & (\frac{25}{42}, -\frac{4}{21}) \\ (\frac{1}{2}, 1) & (\frac{25}{42}, -\frac{4}{21}) & (\frac{25}{49}, \frac{24}{49}) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R \Rightarrow R = \begin{pmatrix} (1, 0) & (\frac{3}{5}, 2) & (\frac{2}{3}, \frac{8}{3}) \\ (\frac{3}{5}, 2) & (1, 0) & (\frac{6}{7}, \frac{8}{7}) \\ (\frac{10}{7}, -\frac{4}{3}) & (\frac{9}{10}, 1) & (1, 0) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R \rightarrow R = \begin{pmatrix} (1, 0) & (\frac{3}{5}, \frac{7}{5}) & (\frac{2}{3}, 2) \\ (\frac{3}{5}, \frac{7}{5}) & (1, 0) & (\frac{6}{7}, \frac{6}{7}) \\ (\frac{10}{7}, \frac{4}{5}) & (\frac{9}{10}, -\frac{2}{5}) & (1, 0) \end{pmatrix}$$

Since  $R$  is symmetric, by Theorem 3.2 (6),  $R \otimes R = (R \circ R)^s$ ,  $R \leftarrow R = (R \Rightarrow R)^s$  and  $R \leftarrow R = (R \rightarrow R)^s$ . Since  $(\frac{25}{36}, -\frac{11}{9}) = R(a, b) \odot R(b, a) \not\leq R(a, a) = (0.5, 1)$ ,  $R$  is not  $l$ -transitive. Since  $R$  is symmetric, by Theorem 3.2 (13),  $R \Rightarrow R$  and  $R \leftarrow R$  are  $l$ -preorder and  $R \rightarrow R$  and  $R \leftarrow R$  are  $r$ -preorder.

(4) Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  be a set. Define  $R \in L^{X \times X}$  as

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} (1, 0) & (\frac{5}{8}, \frac{5}{2}) & (\frac{5}{6}, \frac{5}{3}) \\ (\frac{5}{7}, \frac{30}{7}) & (1, 0) & (\frac{5}{8}, -\frac{5}{4}) \\ (1, -2) & (\frac{5}{7}, \frac{10}{3}) & (1, 0) \end{pmatrix}$$

Since  $R$  is an  $l$ -preorder,  $R = R \circ R = R^s \Rightarrow R = R \leftarrow R^s$ . Furthermore, since  $R$  is an  $r$ -preorder,  $R = R \otimes R = R^s \rightarrow R = R \leftarrow R^s$ .

(5) Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  be a set. Define  $R \in L^{X \times X}$  as

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} (\frac{1}{2}, 1) & (0.8, -1) & (0.6, 0) \\ (0.7, -2) & (\frac{1}{2}, 1) & (0.8, 2) \\ (0.5, 2) & (0.6, -1) & (\frac{1}{2}, 1) \end{pmatrix}$$

We obtain

$$R \circ R = \begin{pmatrix} (\frac{1}{2}, 1) & (\frac{1}{2}, 1) & (0.64, 0.6) \\ (\frac{1}{2}, 1) & (0.56, -2.7) & (\frac{1}{2}, 1) \\ (\frac{1}{2}, 1) & (\frac{1}{2}, 1) & (\frac{1}{2}, 1) \end{pmatrix}$$

Since  $(0.64, 0.6) = R(a, b) \odot R(b, c) \not\leq R(a, c) = (0.6, 0)$ ,  $R$  is not  $l$ -transitive.

$$R \otimes R = \begin{pmatrix} (0.56, -2.7) & (\frac{1}{2}, 1) & (\frac{1}{2}, 1) \\ (\frac{1}{2}, 1) & (0.56, -2.7) & (\frac{1}{2}, 1) \\ (\frac{1}{2}, 1) & (\frac{1}{2}, 1) & (\frac{1}{2}, 1) \end{pmatrix}$$

Since  $(0.56, -2.7) = R(b, a) \odot R(a, b) \not\leq R(a, a) = (0.5, 1)$ ,  $R$  is not  $r$ -transitive.

$$R \Rightarrow R^s = \begin{pmatrix} (1, 0) & (\frac{5}{8}, \frac{5}{2}) & (\frac{3}{4}, 0) \\ (\frac{5}{7}, \frac{30}{7}) & (1, 0) & (\frac{5}{8}, -\frac{5}{4}) \\ (1, -2) & (\frac{5}{6}, \frac{10}{3}) & (1, 0) \end{pmatrix}$$

Since  $(R \Rightarrow R^s)^n = R \Rightarrow R^s$  for all  $n \in N$ ,  $R^\infty = R \Rightarrow R^s$  is an  $l$ -order.

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