

# Classical Relations & Fuzzy Relations

Lecture 03

## Classical & Fuzzy Relations

**Relation:** Involved in logic and represents mapping

**Crisp Relations:** "completely, related " or "not related"

**Fuzzy Relations:** Allows the relations between elements of two or more sets.

## Cartesian Product

### Cartesian Product:

An ordered sequence of  $r$  elements, written in the form  $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r)$  is called an **ordered  $r$ -tuple**.

## Cartesian Product

For crisp sets  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_r$ , the set of all  $r$ -tuples  $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r)$  where  $a_1 \in A_1, a_2 \in A_2, \dots, a_r \in A_r$  is called the **Cartesian Product** of  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_r$  and is denoted by  $A_1 \times A_2 \times \dots \times A_r$ .

## Cartesian Product

**Example:** Two sets;  $A=\{0,1\}$  and  $B=\{a,b,c\}$ .

$$A \times B = \{(0,a),(0,b),(0,c),(1,a),(1,b),(1,c)\}$$

$$B \times A = \{(a,0),(a,1),(b,0),(b,1),(c,0),(c,1)\}$$

$$A \times A = A^2 = \{(0,0),(0,1),(1,0),(1,1)\}$$

$$B \times B = B^2 = \{(a,a),(a,b),(a,c),(b,a),(b,b),(b,c),(c,a),(c,b),(c,c)\}$$

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**Crisp Relations:**

A subset of the Cartesian Product  $A_1 \times A_2 \times \dots \times A_r$ , is called an **r-ary relation** over  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_r$ . If  $r = 2$ ;  $A_1 \times A_2$  is called a **binary relation** from  $A_1$  to  $A_2$ .

$$X \times Y(x,y) = \{(x,y) \mid x \in X, y \in Y\}$$

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The strength of this relationship between ordered pairs of elements in each universe is measured by the characteristic function, denoted,  $\chi$

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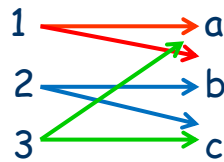
**Characteristic Function:**

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

Finite discrete sets are related via **relation matrix**.

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**Example:**



$$R = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} a & b & c \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{or } R = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

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**Definition:**

$$\text{Identity Relation: } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{I}$$

$$\text{Null Relation: } \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \text{zeros}$$

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Complete Relation:  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \text{ones}$

## Classical Relations

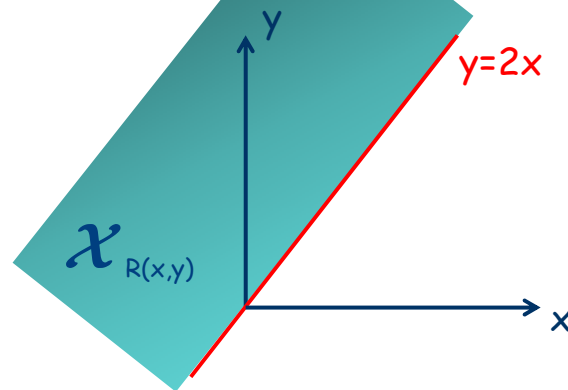
**Example:** Relations can also be defined for continuous universes.

Consider, for example,

$R = \{(x,y) \mid y \geq 2x, x \in X, y \in Y\}$ . Then this means

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

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## Classical Relations

### Cardinality of Crisp Relations:

The cardinality of a set is a measure of the number of the elements of the set.

If cardinality of  $X$  is  $n_x$  and cardinality of  $Y$  is  $n_y$ , then cardinality of the relation

$$n_{x \times y} = n_x \times n_y.$$

## Classical Relations

### Operations of Crisp Relations:

#### Union

$$R \cup S \rightarrow \mathcal{X}_{R \cup S}(x, y) = \max[\mathcal{X}_R(x, y), \mathcal{X}_S(x, y)]$$

#### Intersection

$$R \cap S \rightarrow \mathcal{X}_{R \cap S}(x, y) = \min[\mathcal{X}_R(x, y), \mathcal{X}_S(x, y)]$$

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#### Complement

$$\bar{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}_{\bar{R}}(x, y) = 1 - \mathcal{X}_R(x, y)$$

The properties of *commutativity*, *associativity*, *distributivity*, *involution* and *idempotency* all hold for crisp relations just as they do for classical set operations.



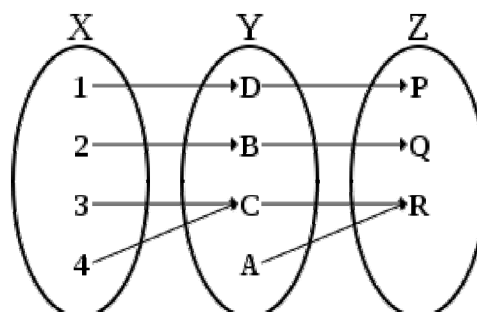
## Classical Relations

### Compositions:

Let  $R: X \rightarrow Y$  and  $S: Y \rightarrow Z$ .

We can find  $T: X \rightarrow Z$  and denoted by  $T = R \circ S$ . This is called as **composition**.

## Composition



## Some forms of composition operator

### 1. Max-Min Composition:

$$T=R \circ S \Rightarrow \mathcal{X}_{T(x,z)} = \bigvee_{y \in Y} (\mathcal{X}_R(x,y) \wedge \mathcal{X}_S(y,z))$$

### 2. Max-Product Composition:

$$T=R \circ S \Rightarrow \mathcal{X}_{T(x,z)} = \bigvee_{y \in Y} (\mathcal{X}_R(x,y) \cdot \mathcal{X}_S(y,z))$$

## Classical Relations

### Example:

$T=R \circ S$  using max-min composition?

$$R = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} y_1 & y_2 & y_3 & y_4 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix} \text{ and } S = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} z_1 & z_2 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

## Classical Relations

- Using the max–min composition operation, relation matrices for R and S would be expressed as

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

$$T = \begin{matrix} & z_1 & z_2 \\ \begin{matrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

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

$$T = \begin{matrix} & z_1 & z_2 \\ \begin{matrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

## Classical Relations

$$R: X \rightarrow Y, S: Y \rightarrow Z \Rightarrow T: X \rightarrow Z$$

Answer:  $T =$

		$z_1$	$z_2$
$x_1$	$0$	$1$	
$x_2$	$0$	$0$	
$x_3$	$0$	$0$	

## Fuzzy Relations

### Fuzzy Relations:

A fuzzy relation  $\tilde{R}$  is a mapping from Cartesian space  $X \times Y$  to the interval  $[0,1]$ . The strength of mapping is expressed by the membership function of the relation for ordered pairs from the two universes:  $\mu_{\tilde{R}}(x,y)$ .

## Fuzzy Relations

### Cardinality of Fuzzy Relations :

Since the cardinality of fuzzy sets on any universe is infinity, the cardinality of a fuzzy relation between two or more universes is also infinity.

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### Example (Approximate Equal)

$$X = Y = U = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$$

$$\tilde{R} = \{((x, y), \mu_{\tilde{R}}(x, y)) \mid (x, y) \in X \times Y\}$$

$$\mu_{\tilde{R}}(u, v) = \begin{cases} 1 & |u - v| = 0 \\ 0.8 & |u - v| = 1 \\ 0.3 & |u - v| = 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad M_{\tilde{R}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.8 & 0.3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.8 & 1 & 0.8 & 0.3 & 0 \\ 0.3 & 0.8 & 1 & 0.8 & 0.3 \\ 0 & 0.3 & 0.8 & 1 & 0.8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.3 & 0.8 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Fuzzy Cartesian Product

### Fuzzy Cartesian Product:

Let  $\tilde{A}$  be a fuzzy set on  $X$  and  $\tilde{B}$  be a fuzzy set on  $Y$ ,

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

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

## Fuzzy Cartesian Product

### Example:

$$\tilde{A} = \frac{0.2}{x_1} + \frac{0.5}{x_2} + \frac{1}{x_3} \qquad \tilde{B} = \frac{0.3}{y_1} + \frac{0.4}{y_2}$$

$$\tilde{A} \times \tilde{B} = \tilde{R} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} y_1 & y_2 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.4 \\ 0.3 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

## Fuzzy Relation Operations

Let  $\tilde{R}$  and  $\tilde{S}$  be fuzzy relations on the Cartesian space  $X \times Y$ ,

**Union:**  $\mu_{\tilde{R} \cup \tilde{S}}(x,y) = \max(\mu_{\tilde{R}}(x,y), \mu_{\tilde{S}}(x,y))$

**Intersection:**  $\mu_{\tilde{R} \cap \tilde{S}}(x,y) = \min(\mu_{\tilde{R}}(x,y), \mu_{\tilde{S}}(x,y))$

**Complement:**  $\mu_{\tilde{R}^c}(x,y) = 1 - \mu_{\tilde{R}}(x,y)$

## Classical & Fuzzy Relations

*Commutativity, associativity, distributivity, involution and idempotency* properties all hold for fuzzy relations. But **excluded middle laws do not hold:**

$$\tilde{R} \cup \tilde{R}^c \neq E \quad E: \text{Complete relation}$$

$$\tilde{R} \cap \tilde{R}^c \neq 0 \quad 0: \text{Null relation}$$

## Fuzzy Compositions

### Fuzzy Compositions:

Fuzzy compositions can be defined just as it is for crisp (binary) relations (by using fuzzy sets instead of crisp sets).

$$\tilde{R} = X \times Y, \tilde{S} = Y \times Z \Rightarrow \tilde{T} = \tilde{R} \circ \tilde{S}, \tilde{T}: X \times Z.$$

## Fuzzy Compositions

### Max-Min Composition:

$$\mu_{\tilde{T}}(x,z) = \bigvee_{y \in Y} (\mu_{\tilde{R}}(x,y) \wedge \mu_{\tilde{B}}(y,z))$$

### Max-Product Composition:

$$\mu_{\tilde{T}}(x,z) = \bigvee_{y \in Y} (\mu_{\tilde{R}}(x,y) \cdot \mu_{\tilde{B}}(y,z))$$



## Fuzzy Compositions

Neither crisp nor fuzzy compositions are commutative in general

$$\underset{\sim}{R} \circ \underset{\sim}{S} \neq \underset{\sim}{S} \circ \underset{\sim}{R}$$

## Fuzzy Compositions

**Example:**

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

$$\underset{\sim}{R} = \begin{array}{cc} & \begin{array}{cc} y_1 & y_2 \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{array} & \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 & 0.5 \\ 0.8 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \quad \text{and} \quad \underset{\sim}{S} = \begin{array}{ccc} & \begin{array}{ccc} z_1 & z_2 & z_3 \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{array} & \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 0.6 & 0.2 \\ 0.1 & 0.7 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix} \end{array}$$

$$\underset{\sim}{T} = \underset{\sim}{R} \circ \underset{\sim}{S}?$$

## Fuzzy Compositions

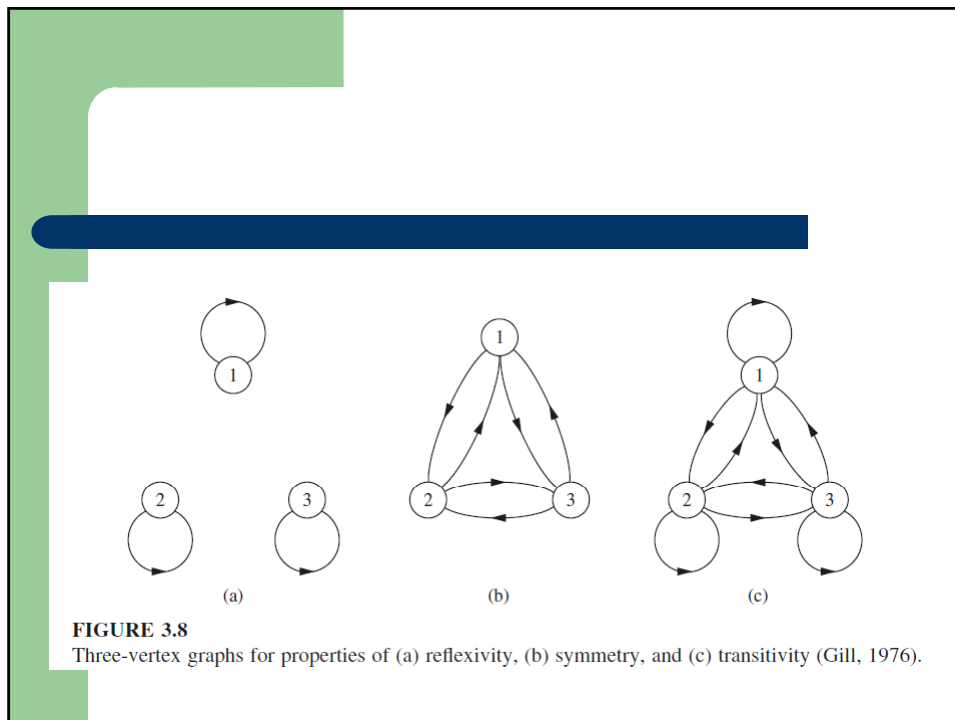
Answers:

$$\tilde{T} = \begin{array}{c} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{array} \begin{array}{ccc} z_1 & z_2 & z_3 \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 & 0.6 & 0.5 \\ 0.8 & 0.6 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \quad (\text{Max-Min Comp.})$$

$$\tilde{T} = \begin{array}{c} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{array} \begin{array}{ccc} z_1 & z_2 & z_3 \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0.63 & 0.42 & 0.25 \\ 0.72 & 0.48 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \quad (\text{Max-Product Comp.})$$

## Relation properties

Relations can exhibit various useful properties, a few of which are discussed here. Relations can be used especially in graph theory. Consider the following figure. This figure describes a universe of three elements, which are labeled as the vertices of this graph, 1, 2, and 3, or in set notation,  $X = \{1, 2, 3\}$ . The useful properties we wish to discuss are **reflexivity**, **symmetry**, and **transitivity**.



## Relation properties

	CRISP	FUZZY
Reflexivity:	$(x_i, x_i) \in R$	$\mu_R(x_i, x_i) = 1$
Symmetry:	$(x_i, x_j) \in R \Rightarrow (x_j, x_i) \in R$	$\mu_R(x_i, x_j) = \mu_R(x_j, x_i)$

## Relation properties

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Transitivity:		
$(x_i, x_j) \in R, (x_j, x_k) \in R$		$\mu(x_i, x_j) = \lambda_1,$
$\Rightarrow (x_i, x_k) \in R$		$\mu(x_j, x_k) = \lambda_2,$
		$\Rightarrow \mu(x_i, x_k) = \lambda$
		where $\lambda \geq \min(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$

## Special Relations

### Equivalence Relations:

The relation R is an equivalence relation if it has the following three properties:

- 1) Reflexivity
- 2) Symmetry
- 3) Transitivity

## Special Relations

### **Tolerance Relation:**

A tolerance relation  $R$  on a universe  $X$  is a relation that exhibits only the properties of reflexivity and symmetry.

## Classical & Fuzzy Relations

### **Example:**

Suppose in an airline transportation system we have a universe composed of five elements: the cities Omaha, Chicago, Rome, London, and Detroit. The airline is studying locations of potential hubs in various countries and must consider air mileage between cities and takeoff and landing policies in the various countries.

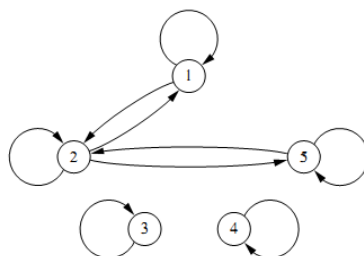
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- These cities can be enumerated as the elements of a set, i.e.,  
 $X = \{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5\} = \{\text{Omaha, Chicago, Rome, London, Detroit}\}$
- Suppose we have a tolerance relation,  $R_1$ , that expresses relationships among these cities:

$$R_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{This relation is reflexive and symmetric.}$$

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- The graph for this tolerance relation



- If  $(x_1, x_5) \in R_1$  can become an equivalence relation

**Example:**

The following fuzzy relation is reflexive and symmetric. However, it is not transitive.

$$R_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.8 & 0 & 0.1 & 0.2 \\ 0.8 & 1 & 0.4 & 0 & 0.9 \\ 0 & 0.4 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0.5 \\ 0.2 & 0.9 & 0 & 0.5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mu_R(x_1, x_2) = 0.8, \mu_R(x_2, x_5) = 0.9 \geq 0.8$$

but

$$\mu_R(x_1, x_5) = 0.2 \leq \min(0.8, 0.9)$$

## Homework

**Homework:**

See extra examples from the textbook.

