

## Fuzzy Relations and Metrics

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### Abstract

We investigate the properties of fuzzy relations, metrics and  $\odot$ -equivalence relation on a stsc quantale lattice  $L$  and a commutative cqm-lattice. In particular, pseudo-(quasi-) metrics induce  $\odot$ -(quasi)-equivalence relations.

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### 1. Introduction and Preliminaries

Quantales introduced by Mulvey [11,12] have arisen in an analysis of the semantics of linear logic systems developed by Girard [4], which supports part of foundation of theoretic computer science. Recently, Bělohlávek [3] investigated the properties of fuzzy relations and similarities on a residual lattice. De Baets and Mesiar [1,2] studied the relations between pseudo-metrics and  $\odot$ -equivalences relations.

In this paper, we investigate the properties of fuzzy relations, metrics and  $\odot$ -equivalence relation on a stsc-quantale lattice and a commutative cqm-lattice. Non-negative functions on  $X \times X$  induce fuzzy relation and metrics. In particular, pseudo-(quasi-) metrics induce  $\odot$ -(quasi)-equivalence relations.

**Definition 1.1.** [11,12] A triple  $(L, \leq, \odot)$  is called a *strictly two-sided, commutative quantale* (stsc-quantale, for short) if it satisfies the following conditions:

(Q1)  $L = (L, \leq, \vee, \wedge, 1, 0)$  is a completely distributive lattice where 1 is the universal upper bound and 0 denotes the universal lower bound;

(Q2)  $(L, \odot)$  is a commutative semigroup;

(Q3)  $a = a \odot 1$ , for each  $a \in L$ ;

(Q4)  $\odot$  is distributive over arbitrary joins, i.e.

$$(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} a_i) \odot b = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (a_i \odot b).$$

**Remark 1.2.** [6-8] (1) The unit interval with a left-continuous t-norm  $\odot$ ,  $([0, 1], \leq, \odot)$ , is a stsc-quantale.

(2) Let  $(L, \leq, \odot)$  be a stsc-quantale. For each  $x, y \in L$ , we define  $x \rightarrow y = \bigvee \{z \in L \mid x \odot z \leq y\}$ .

**Definition 1.3.** [1-3], [6-8] Let  $X$  be a set and  $(L, \leq, \odot)$  a stsc-quantale. A function  $R : X \times X \rightarrow L$  is called a fuzzy relation. A fuzzy relation is called:

(R1) reflexive if  $R(x, x) = 1$  for all  $x \in X$ ,

(R2) symmetric if  $R(x, y) = R(y, x)$ , for all  $x, y \in X$ ,  
(R3) transitive if  $R(x, y) \odot R(y, z) \leq R(x, z)$ , for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

If  $R$  satisfies (R1) and (R2),  $R$  is an  $\odot$ -quasi-equivalence relation. If an  $\odot$ -quasi-equivalence relation  $R$  satisfies (R2), then  $R$  is an  $\odot$ -equivalence relation.

**Definition 1.4.** Let  $X$  be a set. A function  $d : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  is called a quasi-metric on  $X$  if it satisfies;

(M1)  $d(x, x) = 0$  for all  $x \in X$ ,

(M2)  $d(x, y) + d(y, z) \geq d(x, z)$ , for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

A quasi-metric  $d$  is called a pseudo-metric if it satisfies;

(M3)  $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$ , for all  $x, y \in X$ .

A pseudo-metric  $d$  is called a metric if it satisfies;

(M) if  $d(x, y) = 0$ , then  $x = y$ .

**Theorem 1.5.** [10] Let  $R_1, R_2 \in L^{X \times X}$  be fuzzy relations. The compositions of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are defined as

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

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

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

$$(R_1 \Leftrightarrow R_2)(x, z) = \bigwedge_{y \in X} (R_1(x, y) \leftrightarrow R_2(y, z)).$$

$$R_1^s(y, x) = R_1(x, y).$$

Then we have the following properties.

(1)  $(R_1 \circ R_2)^s = R_2^s \circ R_1^s$ .

(2)  $(R_1 \Rightarrow R_2)^s = R_2^s \Leftarrow R_1^s$  and  $(R_1 \Leftarrow R_2)^s = R_2^s \Rightarrow R_1^s$ .

(3)  $(R_1 \Leftrightarrow R_2)^s = R_2^s \Leftrightarrow R_1^s$ .

**Definition 1.6.** [10] Let  $(L, \odot)$  be a stsc-quantale. A function  $T : L \rightarrow L$  is called an equivalence transformation map if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (1)  $T(1) = 1$ ,
- (2) if  $x \leq y$ , then  $T(x) \leq T(y)$ ,
- (3)  $T(x) \odot T(y) \leq T(x \odot y)$ .

**Theorem 1.7.** [10] Let  $R$  be an  $\odot$ -equivalence relation and  $T$  an equivalence transformation map. Then  $T \circ R$  is an  $\odot$ -equivalence relation.

## 2. Fuzzy Relations and Metrics

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $d, d_1, d_2 \in [0, \infty]^{X \times X}$  be non-negative functions. We define  $d_1 \uplus d_2 \in [0, \infty]^{X \times X}$  as follows:

$$d_1 \uplus d_2(x, z) = \bigwedge_{y \in X} (d_1(x, y) + d_2(y, z))$$

$$d_1 \triangleright d_2(x, z) = \bigvee_{y \in X} ((d_1(x, y) - d_2(y, z)) \vee 0)$$

$$d_1 \triangleleft d_2(x, z) = \bigvee_{y \in X} ((d_2(y, z) - d_1(x, y)) \vee 0)$$

$$d_1 \diamond d_2(x, z) = \bigvee_{y \in X} |d_1(x, y) - d_2(y, z)|$$

$$\infty + a = a + \infty = \infty, \forall a \in [0, \infty].$$

$$\infty - \infty = 0.$$

We have the following properties.

(1)  $(d_1 \uplus d_2)^s = d_2^s \uplus d_1^s$  where  $d_i^s(x, y) = d_i(y, x)$  for each  $x, y \in X$ .

(2)  $(d_1 \triangleright d_2)^s = d_2^s \triangleleft d_1^s$  and  $(d_1 \triangleleft d_2)^s = d_2^s \triangleright d_1^s$ .

(3)  $d_1 \uplus (d_2 \triangleright d_3) \geq (d_1 \uplus d_2) \triangleright d_3$ .

(4)  $d_1 \triangleleft (d_2 \uplus d_3) \leq (d_1 \triangleleft d_2) \uplus d_3$ .

(5)  $(d_1 \triangleleft d_2) \triangleleft d_3 \leq d_1 \uplus (d_2 \triangleleft d_3)$ .

(6)  $d_1 \triangleright (d_2 \triangleright d_3) \leq (d_1 \triangleright d_2) \uplus d_3$ .

(7)  $(d_1 \triangleleft d_2) \triangleright d_3 = d_1 \triangleleft (d_2 \triangleright d_3)$ .

(8)  $d_1 \triangleleft (d_2 \triangleleft d_3) = (d_1 \uplus d_2) \triangleleft d_3$ .

(9)  $(d_1 \triangleright d_2) \triangleright d_3 = d_1 \triangleright (d_2 \uplus d_3)$ .

(10) If  $d_i$  is a (quasi-, pseudo-) metric for each  $i = 1, 2$ , then  $d_1 \vee d_2$  and  $d_1 + d_2$  are (quasi-, pseudo-) metric.

(11) Let  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  be quasi-metrics.  $d_1 \wedge d_2$  is a quasi-metric iff  $d_1 \uplus d_2 \geq d_1 \wedge d_2$  and  $d_2 \uplus d_1 \geq d_1 \wedge d_2$ .

(12) Let  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  be metrics.  $d_1 \uplus d_2$  is a metric iff  $d_1 \uplus d_2 = d_2 \uplus d_1$ .

*Proof.* (1) and (2) are similarly proved as the following:

$$\begin{aligned} (d_1 \triangleright d_2)^s(z, x) &= (d_1 \triangleright d_2)(x, z) \\ &= \bigvee_{y \in X} ((d_1(x, y) - d_2(y, z)) \vee 0) \\ &= \bigvee_{y \in X} ((d_1^s(y, x) - d_2^s(z, y)) \vee 0) \\ &= (d_2^s \triangleleft d_1^s)(z, x). \end{aligned}$$

(3) Since  $((a + b) - c) \vee 0 = (a + b - c) \vee 0$  and  $a + ((b - c) \vee 0) = (a + b - c) \vee a$  for all  $a, b, c \geq 0$ , we have  $((a + b) - c) \vee 0 \leq a + ((b - c) \vee 0)$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} &((d_1 \uplus d_2) \triangleright d_3)(x, w) \\ &= \bigvee_z \left( \bigwedge_y (((d_1(x, y) + d_2(y, z)) - d_3(z, w)) \vee 0) \right) \\ &= \bigvee_z \bigwedge_y \left( ((d_1(x, y) + d_2(y, z)) - d_3(z, w)) \vee 0 \right) \\ &\leq \bigwedge_y \bigvee_z \left( d_1(x, y) + ((d_2(y, z) - d_3(z, w)) \vee 0) \right) \\ &= (d_1 \uplus (d_2 \triangleright d_3))(x, w). \end{aligned}$$

(4), (5) and (6) are similarly proved as in (3).

(7) Since  $((b - a) \vee 0) - c \vee 0 = (((b - c) \vee 0) - a) \vee 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} &((d_1 \triangleleft d_2) \triangleright d_3)(x, w) \\ &= \bigvee_z \left( \bigvee_y (((d_2(y, z) - d_1(x, y)) \vee 0) - d_3(z, w)) \vee 0 \right) \\ &= \bigvee_z \bigvee_y \left( (((d_2(y, z) - d_1(x, y)) \vee 0) - d_3(z, w)) \vee 0 \right) \\ &= \bigvee_y \bigvee_z \left( (((d_2(y, z) - d_3(z, w)) \vee 0) - d_1(x, y)) \vee 0 \right) \\ &= (d_1 \triangleleft (d_2 \triangleright d_3))(x, w). \end{aligned}$$

(8) Since  $((c - b) \vee 0) - a \vee 0 = ((c - a - b) \vee 0)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} &(d_1 \triangleleft (d_2 \triangleleft d_3))(x, w) \\ &= \bigvee_y \left( \bigvee_z (((d_3(z, w) - d_2(y, z)) \vee 0) - d_1(x, y)) \vee 0 \right) \\ &= \bigvee_z \bigvee_y \left( (d_3(z, w) - (d_1(x, y) + d_2(y, z))) \vee 0 \right) \\ &= ((d_1 \uplus d_2) \triangleleft d_3)(x, w). \end{aligned}$$

(9) Since  $((a - b) \vee 0) - c \vee 0 = ((a - (b + c)) \vee 0)$ , we similarly proved as same in (8).

(10) It is easily proved.

(11) ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Since  $d_1 \wedge d_2$  is a quasi-metric,

$$\begin{aligned} (d_1 \uplus d_2)(x, z) &= \bigwedge_y (d_1(x, y) + d_2(y, z)) \\ &\geq \bigwedge_y ((d_1 \wedge d_2)(x, y) + (d_1 \wedge d_2)(y, z)) \\ &\geq (d_1 \wedge d_2)(x, z). \end{aligned}$$

( $\Leftarrow$ ) We only show that  $d_1 \wedge d_2$  satisfies (M2).

$$\begin{aligned} &(d_1 \wedge d_2)(x, y) + (d_1 \wedge d_2)(y, z) \\ &= (d_1(x, y) \wedge d_2(x, y)) + (d_1(y, z) \wedge d_2(y, z)) \\ &= (d_1(x, y) + d_1(y, z)) \wedge (d_2(x, y) + d_1(y, z)) \\ &\quad \wedge (d_1(x, y) + d_2(y, z)) \wedge (d_2(x, y) + d_2(y, z)) \\ &\geq d_1(x, z) \wedge (d_2 \uplus d_1)(x, z) \wedge (d_1 \uplus d_2)(x, z) \wedge d_2(x, z) \\ &\geq (d_1 \wedge d_2)(x, z). \end{aligned}$$

(12) ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Since  $(d_1 \uplus d_2)$  is a metric,

$$\begin{aligned} (d_1 \uplus d_2)(x, z) &= (d_1 \uplus d_2)(z, x) \\ &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} (d_1(z, y) + d_2(y, x)) \\ &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} (d_1(y, z) + d_2(x, y)) \\ &= (d_2 \uplus d_1)(x, z). \end{aligned}$$

( $\Leftarrow$ )

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (d_1 \uplus d_2)(x, y) + (d_1 \uplus d_2)(y, z) \\
 &= \bigwedge_{y_1 \in X} [d_1(x, y_1) + d_2(y_1, y)] \\
 &\quad + \bigwedge_{z_1 \in X} [d_2(y, z_1) + d_1(z_1, z)] \\
 &= \bigwedge_{y_1 \in X} \bigwedge_{z_1 \in X} ([d_1(x, y_1) + d_2(y_1, y)] \\
 &\quad + [d_2(y, z_1) + d_1(z_1, z)]) \\
 &= \bigwedge_{y_1 \in X} \bigwedge_{z_1 \in X} ([d_1(x, y_1) \\
 &\quad + (d_2(y_1, y) + d_2(y, z_1)) + d_1(z_1, z)]) \\
 &\geq \bigwedge_{y_1 \in X} \bigwedge_{z_1 \in X} (d_1(x, y_1) + [d_2(y_1, z_1) + d_1(z_1, z)]) \\
 &= \bigwedge_{y_1 \in X} (d_1(x, y_1) + \bigwedge_{z_1 \in X} [d_2(y_1, z_1) + d_1(z_1, z)]) \\
 &= \bigwedge_{y_1 \in X} (d_1(x, y_1) + (d_2 \uplus d_1)(y_1, z)) \\
 &= \bigwedge_{y_1 \in X} (d_1(x, y_1) + (d_1 \uplus d_2)(y_1, z)) \\
 &= \bigwedge_{y_1 \in X} (d_1(x, y_1) + \bigwedge_{z_2 \in X} [d_1(y_1, z_2) + d_2(z_2, z)]) \\
 &= \bigwedge_{z_2 \in X} (\bigwedge_{y_1 \in X} [d_1(x, y_1) + d_1(y_1, z_2)] + d_2(z_2, z)) \\
 &\geq \bigwedge_{z_2 \in X} (d_1(x, z_2) + d_2(z_2, z)) \\
 &= (d_1 \uplus d_2)(x, z).
 \end{aligned}$$

Other cases are easily proved.  $\square$

**Example 2.2.** (1) We give an example  $d_1 \uplus (d_2 \triangleright d_3) \geq (d_1 \uplus d_2) \triangleright d_3$  from:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \uplus \left[ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \triangleright \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \right] = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \\
 & \geq \left[ \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \uplus \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right] \triangleright \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

(2)  $d_1 \triangleleft (d_2 \uplus d_3) \leq (d_1 \triangleleft d_2) \uplus d_3$  from:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \triangleleft \left[ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \uplus \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \right] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\
 & \leq \left[ \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \triangleleft \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right] \uplus \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\
 & \text{(3) } (d_1 \triangleleft d_2) \triangleright d_3 = d_1 \triangleleft (d_2 \triangleright d_3) \text{ from:} \\
 & \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \triangleleft \left[ \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \triangleright \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \right] = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\
 & = \left[ \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \triangleleft \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \right] \triangleright \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

(4) Let  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  be quasi-metrics as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 d_1 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 0 & 4 \\ 5 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & d_2 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\
 d_1 \uplus d_2 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$d_1 \wedge d_2 = d_2 \uplus d_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Since  $d_1 \uplus d_2 \not\geq d_1 \wedge d_2$ , by Theorem 2.1(11),  $d_1 \wedge d_2$  is not a quasi-metric because

$$3 = (d_1 \wedge d_2)(z, y) + (d_1 \wedge d_2)(y, x) \not\geq (d_1 \wedge d_2)(z, x) = 4.$$

(5) Let  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  be metrics as follows:

$$d_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 & 7 \\ 3 & 0 & 10 \\ 7 & 10 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad d_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 10 & 9 \\ 10 & 0 & 2 \\ 9 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$d_1 \uplus d_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 7 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad d_2 \uplus d_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 & 7 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 5 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Since  $d_1 \uplus d_2 \neq d_2 \uplus d_1$ ,  $d_1 \uplus d_2$  is not a metric because

$$5 = (d_1 \uplus d_2)(x, z) \neq (d_1 \uplus d_2)(z, x) = 7,$$

$$5 = (d_1 \uplus d_2)(z, y) + (d_1 \uplus d_2)(y, x) \not\geq (d_1 \uplus d_2)(z, x) = 7.$$

(6) Let  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  be metrics as follows:

$$d_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 5 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 5 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad d_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 & 2 \\ 4 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$d_1 \uplus d_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad d_2 \uplus d_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Since  $d_1 \uplus d_2 = d_2 \uplus d_1 = d_1 \wedge d_2$ ,  $d_1 \uplus d_2$  is a metric.

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $d \in [0, \infty]^{X \times X}$  be a non-negative function. We have the following properties.

(1) If  $d(x, x) = 0$  for each  $x \in X$ , then  $d \uplus d \leq d$ ,  $d \leq (d \triangleright d)$ ,  $d \leq (d \triangleright d^s)$ ,  $d \leq (d \triangleleft d)$ ,  $d \leq (d^s \triangleleft d)$  and  $d \uplus d(x, x) = 0$  for each  $x \in X$ .

(2) If  $d$  is symmetric, then  $d \uplus d$  is symmetric,  $(d \triangleright d)(x, x) = 0$  for all  $x \in X$ ,  $(d \triangleleft d)^s = d \triangleright d$ , and  $d \diamond d$  is symmetric and  $d \diamond d(x, x) = 0$  for all  $x \in X$ .

(3)  $d$  is symmetric iff  $(d \triangleright d)(x, x) = 0$  for all  $x \in X$  iff  $(d \triangleleft d)(x, x) = 0$  for all  $x \in X$ .

(4) If  $d \triangleright d \leq d$ , then  $d \leq d^s \uplus d$ . Moreover, if  $d \triangleleft d \leq d$ , then  $d \leq d^s \uplus d$ .

(5)  $d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z)$  for each  $x, y, z \in X$  iff  $d \leq d \uplus d$  iff  $d^s \triangleleft d \leq d$  iff  $d \triangleright d^s \leq d$

(6) If  $d(x, x) = 0$  and  $d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z)$  for each  $x, y, z \in U$ , then  $d = d \uplus d = d^s \triangleleft d = d \triangleright d^s$ .

(7)  $d \uplus d^s$  is symmetric.

(8)  $d \uplus d^s \geq d$  and  $d(x, x) = 0$  for each  $x \in X$ , iff  $d$  is a pseudo-metric on  $X$  iff  $d \triangleright d \leq d$  and  $d(x, x) = 0$

$(d \triangleright d)(x, x) = 0$  for each  $x \in X$  iff  $d \triangleleft d \leq d$  and  $d(x, x) = (d \triangleleft d)(x, x) = 0$  for each  $x \in X$ .

(9) Let  $d(x, x) = 0$  and  $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$  for each  $x, y \in X$ . We define

$$d^\infty(x, y) = \bigwedge_{n \in N} d^n(x, y)$$

Where  $d^n = \overbrace{d \oplus d \dots \oplus d}^n$ . Then  $d^\infty$  is a pseudo-metric on  $X$ .

(10)  $d \diamond d^s$  is a pseudo-metric on  $X$ .

(11) If  $d$  is symmetric, then  $d \diamond d$  is a pseudo-metric on  $X$ .

*Proof.* (1)

$$\begin{aligned} (d \triangleright d)(x, z) &= \bigvee_{y \in U} (d(x, y) - d(y, z)) \vee 0 \\ &\geq d(x, z) - d(z, z) = d(x, z). \end{aligned}$$

Other cases are similarly proved.

(2) By Theorem 2.1(2),

$$\begin{aligned} (d \diamond d)^s &= (d \triangleright d)^s \vee (d \triangleleft d)^s \\ &= (d \triangleleft d) \vee (d \triangleright d) = d \diamond d. \end{aligned}$$

(3) It easily proved because

$$\begin{aligned} (d \triangleright d)(x, x) &= \bigvee_{y \in X} (d(x, y) - d(y, x)) \vee 0 = 0 \\ \text{iff } d(x, y) &\leq d(y, x). \end{aligned}$$

(4) and (5) follow from:

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, z) &\leq d(x, y) + d(y, z) \\ \text{iff } (d(x, z) - d^s(z, y)) \vee 0 &\leq d(x, y) \\ \text{iff } (d(x, z) - d^s(y, x)) \vee 0 &\leq d(y, z). \end{aligned}$$

(6) Since  $d(x, x) = 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (d \triangleright d^s)(x, z) &= \bigvee_{y \in U} (d(x, y) - d^s(y, z)) \vee 0 \\ &\geq d(x, z) - d^s(z, z) \leq d(x, z). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $d(x, y) + d(y, z) \leq d(x, z)$ , we have  $d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) - d(y, z)$ . Thus

$$d(x, y) \leq \bigvee_{z \in U} (d(x, z) - d^s(z, y)) \vee 0.$$

Therefore  $d = (d \triangleright d^s)$ .

(7) It is proved from  $(d \oplus d^s)^s = d \oplus d^s$ .

(8) ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Since  $d(x, x) = 0$ ,  $d \geq d \oplus d^s$ . Thus  $d \geq d \oplus d^s$ . By (6),  $d$  is symmetric. Since  $d = d^s$  and  $d \oplus d = d$ ,  $d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z)$ .

( $\Leftarrow$ ) It is easy.

(9) Suppose there exist  $x, y, z \in X$  such that

$$d^\infty(x, y) + d^\infty(y, z) \not\geq d^\infty(x, z).$$

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

$$d(x, x_1) + d(x_1, x_2) + \dots + d(x_n, y) + d^\infty(y, z) \not\geq d^\infty(x, z).$$

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

$$d(x, x_1) + d(x_1, x_2) + \dots + d(x_n, y)$$

$$+ d(y, y_1) + d(y_1, y_2) + \dots + d(y_n, z) \not\geq d^\infty(x, z).$$

It is a contradiction for the definition of  $d^\infty(x, z)$ .

(10)

$$\begin{aligned} &(d \triangleright d^s)(x_i, x_j) + (d \triangleright d^s)(x_j, x_k) \\ &\geq (d(x_i, y) - d^s(y, x_j)) + (d(x_j, y) - d^s(y, x_k)) \\ &= (d(x_i, y) - d(x_j, y)) + (d(x_j, y) - d^s(y, x_k)) \\ &= d(x_i, y) - d^s(y, x_k) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &(d \triangleleft d^s)(x_i, x_j) + (d \triangleleft d^s)(x_j, x_k) \\ &\geq (d^s(y, x_j) - d(x_i, y)) + (d^s(y, x_k) - d(x_j, y)) \\ &= (d(x_j, y) - d(x_i, y)) + (d^s(y, x_k) - d(x_j, y)) \\ &= d^s(y, x_k) - d(x_i, y) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &(d \diamond d^s)(x_i, x_j) + (d \diamond d^s)(x_j, x_k) \\ &\geq (d \triangleright d^s)(x_i, x_j) + (d \triangleleft d^s)(x_j, x_k) \\ &\vee (d \triangleleft d^s)(x_i, x_j) + (d \triangleright d^s)(x_j, x_k) \\ &\geq (d(x_i, y) - d^s(y, x_k)) \vee (d(x_i, y) - d^s(y, x_k)) \end{aligned}$$

It implies

$$(d \diamond d^s)(x_i, x_j) + (d \diamond d^s)(x_j, x_k) \geq (d \diamond d^s)(x_i, x_k).$$

(11) It follows from (10).  $\square$

**Example 2.4.** Let  $d$  be a metric as follows:

$$d = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & 7 \\ 3 & 7 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad d^\infty = d \oplus d = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & 5 \\ 3 & 5 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$d = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad d^\infty = d \oplus d = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 & 4 \\ 7 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \triangleright \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 7 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 & 3 \\ 7 & 0 & 6 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 & 4 \\ 7 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \triangleleft \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 7 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 7 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 6 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 & 4 \\ 7 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \diamond \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 7 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 7 & 3 \\ 7 & 0 & 6 \\ 3 & 6 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Definition 2.5.** A strictly increasing function  $s : [0, \infty] \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  is called a metric transformation map if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (1)  $s(0) = 0$ ,
- (2)  $s(x+y) \leq s(x) + s(y)$ .

**Lemma 2.6.** Let  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  be a strictly decreasing continuous function with  $f(1) = 0$  and  $f^{-1} : [0, f(0)] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ . Then

(1) Define  $x \odot y = f^{-1}(f(x) + f(y) \wedge f(0))$ . Then  $\odot$  is a continuous t-norm and  $([0, 1], \leq, \odot)$  is a stsc-quantale.

$$(2) x \rightarrow y = f^{-1}((f(y) - f(x)) \vee 0).$$

*Proof.* (1) It follows from [13] and Remark 1.2(1).

(2)

$$\begin{aligned} x \rightarrow y &= \bigvee \{z \mid x \odot z \leq y\} \\ &= \bigvee \{z \mid f^{-1}((f(x) \odot f(z)) \wedge f(0)) \leq y\} \\ &= \bigvee \{z \mid f(z) \geq (f(y) - f(x)) \vee 0\} \\ &= f^{-1}((f(y) - f(x)) \vee 0). \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 2.7.** Let  $d$  be a metric on  $X$  and  $s$  a metric transformation map. Then

(1)  $s \circ d$  is a metric.

(2) If  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  is a strictly decreasing function with  $f(1) = 0$  and  $f^{-1} : [0, f(0)] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  with  $s(f(0)) \leq f(0)$ , then  $T = f^{-1} \circ s \circ f$  is an equivalence relation with respect to  $x \odot y = f^{-1}(f(x) + f(y) \wedge f(0))$ .

*Proof.* (1) It is easy.

(2)

$$\begin{aligned} T(x) \odot T(y) &= f^{-1} \circ s \circ f(x) \odot f^{-1} \circ s \circ f(y) \\ &= f^{-1}(f(0) \wedge (s(f(x)) + s(f(y)))) \\ &\leq f^{-1}(f(0) \wedge (s(f(x) + f(y))). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(x \odot y) &= (f^{-1} \circ s \circ f)(f^{-1}(f(0) \wedge (f(x) + f(y)))) \\ &= f^{-1}(s(f(0)) \wedge s(f(x) + f(y))). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $s(f(0)) \leq f(0)$ ,  $T(x) \odot T(y) \leq T(x \odot y)$ .

□

**Example 2.8.** Let  $s(x) = \frac{2x}{x+1}$  and  $f(x) = 1-x$ . Then  $x \odot y = (x+y-1) \vee 0$  and  $T(x) = \frac{x}{2-x}$ . Put  $d$  as follows:

$$d = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0.2 & 0.3 \\ 0.2 & 0 & 0.4 \\ 0.3 & 0.4 & 0 \end{pmatrix} f^{-1}(d) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.8 & 0.7 \\ 0.8 & 1 & 0.6 \\ 0.7 & 0.6 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then we obtain  $f^{-1}(s \circ d) = T(f^{-1}(d))$ :

$$s \circ d = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{4}{12} & \frac{6}{14} \\ \frac{4}{12} & 0 & \frac{13}{14} \\ \frac{6}{13} & \frac{8}{14} & 0 \end{pmatrix} f^{-1}(s \circ d) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{8}{12} & \frac{7}{14} \\ \frac{8}{12} & 1 & \frac{6}{14} \\ \frac{7}{14} & \frac{6}{14} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

From the following theorem, non-negative functions on  $X \times X$  induce fuzzy relations.

**Theorem 2.9.** Let  $d_1, d_2 \in [0, \infty]^{X \times X}$  be non-negative functions. Let  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  be a strictly decreasing continuous function with  $f(1) = 0$  and  $f^{-1} : [0, f(0)] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ . We define  $f^{-1}(d_i) \in [0, 1]^{X \times X}$  as  $f^{-1}(d_i)(x, y) = f^{-1}(d_i(x, y))$  and  $x \odot y = f^{-1}((f(x) + f(y)) \wedge f(0))$ .

We have the following properties.

(1) If  $d_i$  is a pseudo-metric on  $X$  with where  $f(0) \geq \bigvee_{x,y,z} (d_i(x, y) + d_i(y, z))$  for each  $i = 1, 2$ , then  $f^{-1}(d_i)$  is an  $\odot$ -equivalence relation on  $X$  for each  $i = 1, 2$  where  $x \odot y = f^{-1}(f(x) + f(y))$ . Furthermore,  $d_1 \vee d_2$  is a pseudo-metric such that  $f^{-1}(d_1 \vee d_2) = f^{-1}(d_1) \wedge f^{-1}(d_2)$ .

(2) If  $d_i$  is a pseudo-metric on  $X$  with where  $f(0) \geq \bigvee_{x,y} (d_1(x, y) + d_2(x, y))$  for each  $i = 1, 2$ , then  $f^{-1}(d_1) \odot f^{-1}(d_2)$  is an  $\odot$ -equivalence relation on  $X$  such that  $f^{-1}(d_1 + d_2) = f^{-1}(d_1) \odot f^{-1}(d_2)$ .

(3) If  $f(0) \geq \bigvee_{x,z} (\bigwedge_y (d_1(x, y) + d_2(y, z)))$ , then  $f^{-1}(d_1 \oplus d_2) = f^{-1}(d_1) \circ f^{-1}(d_2)$ .

(4)  $f^{-1}(d_1 \triangleright d_2) = f^{-1}(d_1) \Leftrightarrow f^{-1}(d_2)$ .

(5)  $f^{-1}(d_1 \triangleleft d_2) = f^{-1}(d_1) \Rightarrow f^{-1}(d_2)$ .

(6)  $f^{-1}(d_1 \diamond d_2) = f^{-1}(d_1) \Leftrightarrow f^{-1}(d_2)$ .

*Proof.* (1) It follows from:

$$\begin{aligned} &f^{-1}(d_1)(x, y) \odot f^{-1}(d_1)(y, z) \\ &= f^{-1}(f(0) \wedge (d_1(x, y) + d_1(y, z))) \\ &= f^{-1}(d_1(x, y) + d_1(y, z)) \\ &\geq f^{-1}(d_1)(x, z). \end{aligned}$$

(2) It follows from:

$$\begin{aligned} &f^{-1}(d_1)(x, y) \odot f^{-1}(d_2)(x, y) \\ &= f^{-1}(f(0) \wedge (d_1(x, y) + d_2(x, y))) \\ &= f^{-1}(d_1(x, y) + d_2(x, y)) \\ &\geq f^{-1}(d_1 + d_2)(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

(3)

$$\begin{aligned} &f^{-1}((d_1 \oplus d_2)(x, z)) \\ &= f^{-1}((\bigwedge_{y \in Y} (d_1(x, y) + d_2(y, z)))) \\ &= \bigvee_{y \in X} f^{-1}(d_1(x, y) + d_2(y, z)) \\ &(f^{-1}(d_1) \circ f^{-1}(d_2))(x, z) \\ &= \bigvee_{y \in X} (f^{-1}(d_1)(x, y) \odot f^{-1}(d_2)(y, z)) \\ &= \bigvee_{y \in X} f^{-1}(f(0) \wedge (d_1(x, y) + d_2(y, z))) \\ &= \bigvee_{y \in X} f^{-1}(d_1(x, y) + d_2(y, z)). \end{aligned}$$

(4)

$$\begin{aligned} &f^{-1}((d_1 \triangleright d_2)(x, z)) \\ &= f^{-1}(\bigvee_{y \in Y} ((d_1(x, y) - d_2(y, z)) \vee 0)) \\ &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} f^{-1}((d_1(x, y) - d_2(y, z)) \vee 0) \\ &(f^{-1}(d_1) \Leftrightarrow f^{-1}(d_2))(x, z) \\ &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} (f^{-1}(d_2)(y, z) \rightarrow f^{-1}(d_1)(x, y)) \\ &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} f^{-1}((d_1(x, y) - d_2(y, z)) \vee 0). \end{aligned}$$

(5) and (6) are similarly proved as in (4).

□

**Example 2.10.** Put  $d_1 \uplus d_2$  as follows:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \uplus \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 7 & 6 \\ 0 & 4 & 8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 & 5 \\ 1 & 4 & 6 \\ 1 & 5 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

Let  $f(x) = 10 - 10x$ ,  $f^{-1}(x) = (1 - \frac{x}{10}) \wedge 10$  and  $f(0) > 7$ . We obtain  $f^{-1}(d_1 \uplus d_2) = f^{-1}(d_1) \circ f^{-1}(d_2)$  as

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \begin{matrix} \frac{9}{10} & \frac{7}{10} & \frac{5}{10} \\ \frac{8}{10} & \frac{1}{10} & \frac{6}{10} \\ \frac{7}{10} & \frac{8}{10} & \frac{9}{10} \end{matrix} \right) \circ \left( \begin{matrix} \frac{7}{10} & \frac{8}{10} & \frac{6}{10} \\ \frac{10}{10} & \frac{3}{10} & \frac{4}{10} \\ 1 & \frac{6}{10} & \frac{2}{10} \end{matrix} \right) \\ &= \left( \begin{matrix} \frac{6}{10} & \frac{7}{10} & \frac{5}{10} \\ \frac{9}{10} & \frac{6}{10} & \frac{4}{10} \\ \frac{9}{10} & \frac{5}{10} & \frac{3}{10} \end{matrix} \right) \end{aligned}$$

We obtain  $f^{-1}(d_1 \triangleright d_2) = f^{-1}(d_1) \Leftarrow f^{-1}(d_2)$  as

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \begin{matrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{matrix} \right) \triangleright \left( \begin{matrix} 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 7 & 6 \\ 0 & 4 & 8 \end{matrix} \right) = \left( \begin{matrix} 5 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{matrix} \right) \\ & \left( \begin{matrix} \frac{9}{10} & \frac{7}{10} & \frac{5}{10} \\ \frac{10}{10} & \frac{1}{10} & \frac{6}{10} \\ \frac{7}{10} & \frac{8}{10} & \frac{9}{10} \end{matrix} \right) \Leftarrow \left( \begin{matrix} \frac{7}{10} & \frac{8}{10} & \frac{6}{10} \\ \frac{10}{10} & \frac{3}{10} & \frac{4}{10} \\ 1 & \frac{6}{10} & \frac{2}{10} \end{matrix} \right) \\ &= \left( \begin{matrix} \frac{5}{10} & \frac{9}{10} & 1 \\ \frac{10}{10} & 1 & 1 \\ \frac{9}{10} & \frac{9}{10} & 1 \end{matrix} \right) \end{aligned}$$

From Theorem 2.9, we obtain the following corollary.

**Corollary 2.11.** Let  $d, d_1, d_2, d_3 \in [0, \infty]^{X \times X}$  be a fuzzy relation. Let  $f$  and  $\odot$  be defined as in Theorem 2.9. We have the following properties.

- (1) If  $f(0) \geq \bigvee_{x,z} (\bigwedge_y (d_1(z, y) + d_2(y, x)))$ ,  $f^{-1}(d_1 \uplus d_2)^s = f^{-1}(d_2) \circ f^{-1}(d_1^s)$ .
- (2)  $f^{-1}((d_1 \triangleright d_2)^s) = (f^{-1}(d_2) \Rightarrow f^{-1}(d_1^s))$  and  $f^{-1}((d_1 \triangleleft d_2)^s) = (f^{-1}(d_2) \Leftarrow f^{-1}(d_1^s))$ .
- (3) If  $f(0) \geq \bigvee_{x,z} (\bigwedge_y (d_1(x, y) + d_2(y, z)))$ ,  $f^{-1}(d_1) \circ (f^{-1}(d_2) \Leftarrow f^{-1}(d_3)) \leq ((f^{-1}(d_1) \circ f^{-1}(d_2)) \Leftarrow f^{-1}(d_3))$ .
- (4) If  $f(0) \geq \bigvee_{y,w} (\bigwedge_y (d_2(y, z) + d_3(z, w)))$ ,  $f^{-1}(d_1) \Rightarrow (f^{-1}(d_2) \circ f^{-1}(d_3)) \geq (f^{-1}(d_1) \Rightarrow f^{-1}(d_2)) \circ f^{-1}(d_3)$ .
- (5) If  $f(0) \geq \bigvee_{x,z} (\bigwedge_y (d_1(x, y) + d_2(y, z)))$ ,  $(f^{-1}(d_1) \Rightarrow f^{-1}(d_2)) \Rightarrow f^{-1}(d_3) \geq f^{-1}(d_1) \circ (f^{-1}(d_2) \Rightarrow f^{-1}(d_3))$ .
- (6)  $(f^{-1}(d_1) \Rightarrow f^{-1}(d_2)) \Leftarrow f^{-1}(d_3) = f^{-1}(d_1) \Rightarrow (f^{-1}(d_2) \Leftarrow f^{-1}(d_3))$ .
- (7)  $f^{-1}(d_1) \Leftarrow (f^{-1}(d_2) \Leftarrow f^{-1}(d_3)) \geq (f^{-1}(d_1) \Leftarrow f^{-1}(d_2)) \circ f^{-1}(d_3)$ .
- (8) If  $f(0) \geq \bigvee_{x,z} (\bigwedge_y (d_1(x, y) + d_2(y, z)))$ ,  $f^{-1}(d_1) \Rightarrow (f^{-1}(d_2) \Rightarrow f^{-1}(d_3)) = (f^{-1}(d_1) \circ f^{-1}(d_2)) \Rightarrow f^{-1}(d_3)$ .
- (9) If  $f(0) \geq \bigvee_{y,w} (\bigwedge_y (d_2(y, z) + d_3(z, w)))$ ,  $(f^{-1}(d_1) \Leftarrow f^{-1}(d_2)) \Leftarrow f^{-1}(d_3) = (f^{-1}(d_1) \Leftarrow (f^{-1}(d_2) \circ f^{-1}(d_3)))$ .

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