

Orderings on Generalized Regular Fuzzy Matrices

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Abstract

In this paper, a special type of ordering for k -regular fuzzy matrices is introduced as a generalization of the minus partial ordering for regular fuzzy matrices. A set of equivalent conditions for a pair of k -regular matrices to be under this ordering are obtained. We exhibit that this ordering is preserved under similarity relation.

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1. Introduction

We deal with fuzzy matrices that is, matrices over the fuzzy algebra \mathcal{F} with support $[0,1]$ and fuzzy operations $\{+, \cdot\}$ defined as $a+b = \max\{a, b\}$, $a \cdot b = \min\{a, b\}$ for all $a, b \in \mathcal{F}$. Let $\mathcal{F}_{m,n}$ be the set of all $m \times n$ fuzzy matrices over \mathcal{F} . In short \mathcal{F}_n denotes $\mathcal{F}_{n,n}$. The row space $R(A)$ is the subspace of $\mathcal{F}_{1,n}$ generated by the rows of A , the column space $C(A)$ is defined in the dual fashion. A matrix $A \in \mathcal{F}_{m,n}$ is said to be regular if there exists $X \in \mathcal{F}_{n,m}$ such that $A X A = A$, X is called a generalized inverse (ginverse) of A . Let $A\{1\}$ denotes the set of all g -inverses of A .

A Matrix $A \in \mathcal{F}_n$ is said to be right(left) k -regular if there exists $X (Y) \in \mathcal{F}_n$, such that $A^k X A = A^k (A Y A^k = A^k)$, $X (Y)$ is called a right (left) k - g inverse of A , where k is a positive integer. Let $A_r\{1^k\}$ and $A_l\{1^k\}$ be the set of all right k - g inverses and left k - g inverses of $A \in \mathcal{F}_n$. In [3] it has been proved that right k - g inverse and left k - g inverse for a fuzzy matrix are distinct. In this paper, by a k -regular matrix, we mean that it is either right or left k -regular. If A is k -regular, then it is h regular for all $h \geq k$. Let $\mathcal{F}_n^{(k)}$ denotes the set of all k -regular fuzzy matrices. Let $A\{1^k\} = A_r\{1^k\} \cup A_l\{1^k\}$ be the set of all k - g inverse of A . In particular, for $k=1$, it reduces to a regular matrix and set of all its g -inverses. If A is k -potent, that is, k is the smallest positive integer such that $A^k = A$, then k regularity coincides with regularity. If A^k is regular then A is k -regular, for if A^k is regular, then there exists $X \in \mathcal{F}_n$ such that $A^k X A^k = A^k$ and hence $A^k Y A = A^k = A Z A^k$ for $Y = X A^{k-1}$ and $Z = A^{k-1} X$. In this paper, we introduce a special type of ordering for k -regular

fuzzy matrices as a generalization of the minus ordering studied in [2] for regular fuzzy matrices.

In the sequel, we shall make use of the following results found in [1].

Lemma 1.1

For $A, B \in \mathcal{F}_n$,

$$R(A) \subseteq R(B) \Leftrightarrow A = XB \text{ for some } X \in \mathcal{F}_n$$

$$C(A) \subseteq C(B) \Leftrightarrow A = BY \text{ for some } Y \in \mathcal{F}_n.$$

Lemma 1.2

For $A \in \mathcal{F}_n^{(k)}$ and $X \in \mathcal{F}_n$, $X \in A_r\{1^k\} \Leftrightarrow X^T \in A_l^T(1^k)$

2. Orderings on k -Regular Fuzzy Matrices

In this section, we define a special type of ordering and called it as k – ordering for k -regular fuzzy matrices. Some basic properties on a pair of k – regular fuzzy matrices under this ordering are discussed.

Definition 2.1

For $A \in \mathcal{F}_n^{(k)}$, $B \in \mathcal{F}_n$; the ordering denoted as $A \overline{<} B$ is defined as

$$\begin{aligned} A \overline{<} B \Leftrightarrow & \quad A^k X = B^k X \text{ for some } X \in A_r\{1^k\} \\ & \text{and } YA^k = YB^k \text{ for some } Y \in A_l\{1^k\} \end{aligned}$$

In particular for $k=1$, Definition (2.1) reduces to minus ordering on fuzzy matrices found in [2]. If $X \in A_r\{1^k\}$, then X need not be a g – inverse of A^k . This is illustrated in the following example.

Example 2.1

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{pmatrix} 0.3 & 0.7 \\ 0.5 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.5 & 0.3 \\ 0.3 & 0.5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{For } X = \begin{pmatrix} 0.3 & 0.7 \\ 0.5 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A^2 X A = A^2. \text{ Hence } X \in A_r\{1^2\} \text{ and } A \text{ is } 2\text{-regular, but } A^2 X A^2$$

$\neq A^2$, therefore X is not in $A^2\{1\}$. Thus X is a 2 – g inverse of A but X is not a g – inverse for A^2 .

Lemma 2.1

For $A \in \mathcal{F}_n^{(k)}$ and $B \in \mathcal{F}_n$; the following are equivalent.

- (i) $A \overline{<} B$
- (ii) $A^k = B^k X A = A Y B^k$ for some $X, Y \in A\{1^k\}$

Proof(i) \Rightarrow (ii) $A \overline{<} B \Rightarrow A^k X = B^k X$ for some $X \in A_r\{1^k\}$ and $Y A^k = Y B^k$ for some $Y \in A_l\{1^k\}$ Now, $A^k = (A^k X) A = B^k X A$ for some $X \in A_r\{1^k\}$ $A^k = A (Y A^k) = A Y B^k$ for some $Y \in A_l\{1^k\}$ $A^k = B^k X A = A Y B^k$ for some $X, Y \in A\{1^k\}$

Thus (ii) holds.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i)Let $Z = XAX$ for $X \in A_r\{1^k\}$ $A^k Z A = A^k (XAX) A = (A^k X A) X A = A^k X A = A^k$ $\Rightarrow Z \in A_r\{1^k\}$ Similarly, $A Z A^k = A^k$ for $Z = YAY$ for $Y \in A_l\{1^k\}$ $\Rightarrow Z \in A_l\{1^k\}$ Thus, for $X \in A\{1^k\}$, $Z = XAX \in A_r\{1^k\}$ when $X \in A_r\{1^k\}$ and $Z = XAX \in A_l\{1^k\}$ when $X \in A_l\{1^k\}$.Now, $A^k Z = A^k (XAX) = (A^k X A) X = A^k X = (B^k X A) X = B^k (XAX) = B^k Z$ Hence $A^k Z = B^k Z$ for some $Z \in A_r\{1^k\}$.Similarly, $Z A^k = Z B^k$ for some $Z \in A_l\{1^k\}$.Therefore $A \overline{<} B$. Thus (i) holds.

Hence the Theorem.

Lemma 2.2For $A, B \in \mathcal{F}_n^{(k)}$ (i) If B is right k -regular and $R(A^k) \subseteq R(B^k)$ then $A^k = A^k B \cdot B$ for each right k -g inverse $B \cdot$ of B .(ii) If B is left k -regular and $C(A^k) \subseteq C(B^k)$ then $A^k = B B \cdot A^k$ for each left k -g inverse $B \cdot$ of B .**Proof**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i) } R(A^k) \subseteq R(B^k) &\Rightarrow A^k = X B^k && \text{(By Lemma 1.1)} \\
 &= X B^k B \cdot B && \text{(for each } B \cdot \in B_r\{1^k\}) \\
 &= A^k B \cdot B
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus (i) holds.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii) } C(A^k) \subseteq C(B^k) &\Rightarrow A^k = B^k Y && \text{(By Lemma 1.1)} \\
 &= B B \cdot B^k Y && \text{(for each } B \cdot \in B_l\{1^k\}) \\
 &= B B \cdot A^k
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus (ii) holds.

Theorem 2.1

For $A, B \in \mathcal{F}_n^{(k)}$, if $A \overline{<} B$ then $R(A^k) \subseteq R(B^k)$, $C(A^k) \subseteq C(B^k)$ and $A^k X B = A^k = B Y A^k$ for each $X \in Br\{1^k\}$ and for each $Y \in B_l\{1^k\}$.

Proof

$$A \overline{<} B \Rightarrow A^k = A Y B^k = B^k X A \quad (\text{By Lemma 2.1})$$

$$\Rightarrow A^k = V B^k = B^k U, \text{ where } V = A Y \text{ and } U = X A$$

$$\Rightarrow R(A^k) \subseteq R(B^k) \text{ and } C(A^k) \subseteq C(B^k) \quad (\text{By Lemma 1.1})$$

$$A^k X B = A^k = B Y A^k \text{ for each } X \in B_r\{1^k\} \text{ and for each } Y \in B_l\{1^k\} \quad (\text{By Lemma 2.2})$$

Theorem 2.2

For $A, B \in \mathcal{F}_n^{(k)}$, the following hold.

$$(i) A \overline{<} A$$

$$(ii) A \overline{<} B \text{ and } B \overline{<} A \text{ then } A^k = B^k$$

$$(iii) A \overline{<} B \text{ and } B \overline{<} C \text{ then } A \overline{<} C$$

Proof

$$(i) A \overline{<} A \text{ is trivial.}$$

$$(ii) A \overline{<} B \Rightarrow A^k = B^k X A \text{ for } X \in A_r\{1^k\} \quad (\text{By Lemma 2.1})$$

$$B \overline{<} A \Rightarrow B^k = B Y A^k \text{ for } Y \in A_l\{1^k\} \quad (\text{By Lemma 2.1})$$

$$\text{Now, } A^k = B^k X A = (B Y A^k) X A = B Y (A^k X A) = B Y A^k = B^k$$

$$\text{Hence } A \overline{<} B \text{ and } B \overline{<} A \Rightarrow A^k = B^k$$

$$(iii) A \overline{<} B \Rightarrow A^k = A^k B \cdot B = B B \cdot A^k \quad (\text{By Theorem 2.1 and Lemma 2.2(i)})$$

$$B \overline{<} A \Rightarrow B^k = C^k B \cdot B = B B \cdot C^k \quad (\text{By Theorem 2.1 and Lemma 2.2(i)})$$

$$\text{Let } Z = B \cdot B X \text{ for } B \cdot \in B_r\{1^k\} \text{ and } X \in A_r\{1^k\}$$

$$\text{Then } A^k Z A = (A^k B \cdot B) X A = A^k X A = A^k$$

$$\text{Therefore } Z \in A_r\{1^k\}$$

$$\text{If } Z = Y B B \cdot \text{ for } B \cdot \in B_l\{1^k\} \text{ and } Y \in A_l\{1^k\} \text{ then it follows that } A Z A^k = A^k$$

$$\text{Therefore } Z \in A_l\{1^k\}.$$

Since $A \overline{<} B$ and $B \overline{<} C$, applying Theorem 2.1, we have

$$A^k Z = A^k (B \cdot B X)$$

$$= (A^k B \cdot B) X$$

$$= A^k X$$

$$(\text{By Theorem 2.1})$$

$$= B^k X$$

$$= (C^k B \cdot B) X$$

$$(\text{By Lemma 2.1})$$

$$= (B B \cdot B^k) X$$

$$= C^k (B \cdot B X)$$

$$= C^k Z \quad \text{for some } Z \in A_r\{1^k\}.$$

and $ZA^k = ZC^k$ for some $Z \in A_{\{1^k\}}$ can be proved in a similar manner.
Hence $Z \in A_{\{1^k\}}$ with $A^k Z = C^k Z$ and $ZA^k = ZC^k$. Therefore $A \overline{<} C$.

Remark 2.1

In particular for $k = 1$, Theorem(2.2) reduces to Theorem(2.2) of [2], that is, the minus ordering is a partial ordering on regular matrices.

3. Properties of k-ordering

In this section, we shall derive some basic properties of k -ordering on k -regular fuzzy matrices that include the results found in [2] as a special case.

Proposition 3.1

For $A, B \in \mathcal{F}_n^{(k)}$, $A \overline{<} B \Leftrightarrow A^T \overline{<} B^T$

Proof

$A \overline{<} B \Leftrightarrow A^k A^- = B^k A^-$ for some $A^- \in A_{\{1^k\}}$
and $A^- A^k = A^- B^k$ for some $A^- \in A_{\{1^k\}}$

By Lemma (1.2), $A^- \in A_{\{1^k\}} \Leftrightarrow (A^-)^T \in A_{\{1^k\}}$.

$$\begin{aligned} A^k A^- &= B^k A^- \\ \Leftrightarrow (A^k A^-)^T &= (B^k A^-)^T \\ \Leftrightarrow (A^-)^T (A^k)^T &= (A^-)^T (B^k)^T \\ \Leftrightarrow (A^T)^- (A^k)^T &= (A^T)^- (B^k)^T \end{aligned}$$

Thus $A^k A^- = B^k A^- \Leftrightarrow (A^T)^- (A^k)^T = (A^T)^- (B^k)^T$

Similarly $A^- A^k = A^- B^k \Leftrightarrow (A^k)^T (A^T)^- = (B^k)^T (A^T)^-$

Hence $A \overline{<} B \Leftrightarrow A^T \overline{<} B^T$

Proposition 3.2

For $A, B \in \mathcal{F}_n^{(k)}$, $A \overline{<} B \Leftrightarrow PAP^T \overline{<} PBP^T$ for some permutation matrix P .

Proof

Since A is k -regular, it can be verified that PAP^T is k -regular and $PA^- P^T$ is a k -g inverse of PAP^T for each k -g inverse A^- of A .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } (PAP^T)^- (PAP^T)^k &= PA^- P^T PA^k P^T \\ &= PA^- (P^T P) A^k P^T \\ &= P(A^- A^k) P^T \\ &= P(A^- B^k) P^T \\ &= (PA^- P^T) (PB^k P^T) \\ &= (PAP^T)^- (PBP^T)^k \end{aligned}$$

Hence $(PAP^T)^- (PAP^T)^k = (PAP^T)^- (PBP^T)^k$

Similarly $(PAP^T)^k (PAP^T)^- = (PBP^T)^k (PAP^T)^-$

Hence $(PAP^T) \leq (PBP^T)$

Conversely, if $PAP^T \leq PBP^T$, then by the preceding part,

$$A = P^T(PAP^T)P \leq P^T(PBP^T)P = B$$

Thus $A \leq B$.

Proposition 3.3

For $A, B \in \mathcal{F}_n^{(k)}$, if $A \leq B$ with B^k is idempotent, then A^k is idempotent.

Proof

Since $A \leq B$, By Lemma (2.1)

$$\begin{aligned} A^{2k} &= A^k A^k \\ &= (AYB^k)(B^kXA) \\ &= AY(B^{2k})XA = (AYB^k)XA = A^k XA = A^k \end{aligned}$$

Remark 3.1

In the above Proposition 3.3, if $A \leq B$ with A^2 idempotent then B^2 need not be idempotent.

This is illustrated in the following.

Example 3.1

Consider $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ Here $A \leq B$ for $A^2 = A$, But B is not idempotent.

Proposition 3.4

For $A, B \in \mathcal{F}_n^{(k)}$, if $A \leq B$ then $B^k = 0$ implies $A^k = 0$.

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Since } A \leq B \Rightarrow A^k &= AYB^k \quad (\text{By Lemma 2.1}) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

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