

Fuzzy Soft Lattice Theory

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ABSTRACT

Soft set theory was introduced by Molodtsov in 1999 as a general mathematical tool for dealing with problems that contain uncertainty. In this paper, we define concept of fuzzy soft lattice, fuzzy soft sublattice, complete fuzzy soft lattice, modular fuzzy soft lattice, distributive fuzzy soft lattice, fuzzy soft chain and study their basic properties.

Keywords: Fuzzy soft sets, Fuzzy soft lattices, Fuzzy soft sublattices, Complete fuzzy soft lattices, Modular fuzzy soft lattices, Distributive fuzzy soft lattices.

1. INTRODUCTION

To solve complex problems in economy, engineering, environmental science and social science, the methods in classical mathematics may not be successfully modeled because of various types of uncertainties. There are some mathematical theories for dealing with uncertainties such as; fuzzy set theory [28], soft set theory [20], fuzzy soft set theory [17] and so on.

Soft set theory [20] was firstly introduced by Molodtsov in 1999 as a general mathematical tool for dealing with uncertainty. At present, research works on the soft set theory and its applications are making progress rapidly. The operations of soft sets are defined in [1, 5, 18, 21]. The algebraic structures of soft sets have been studied by some authors [3, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15]. By embedding the ideas of fuzzy sets, many interesting applications of soft set theory have been expanded [2, 6, 7, 9, 17, 21, 23, 24, 25, 26]. and also algebraic structures of fuzzy soft sets have been studied [4, 10, 16, 19, 27, 22].

In this paper, we first define concept of fuzzy soft lattice. We then study fuzzy soft sublattice, complete fuzzy soft lattice, modular fuzzy soft lattice, distributive fuzzy soft lattice, fuzzy soft chain with their basic properties and give several illustrative examples.

2. PRELIMINARIES

In this section, we have presented the basic definition and results of fuzzy sets, soft sets and fuzzy soft sets theory which are useful for subsequent discussions.

Definition 1:

[28] Let E be a crisp set. Then a fuzzy set μ over E is a function from E into $[0, 1]$.

Definition 2:

[5] Let U be an initial universe, $P(U)$ be the power set of U , E be a set of all parameters and. Then, a soft set f_A over U is a function from E into $P(U)$ such that $f_A(x) = \emptyset$, $x \in A$.

Where f_A is called approximate function of the soft set f_A and the value $f_A(x)$ is a set called x -element of the soft set for all $x \in E$.

Definition 3:

[7] Let U be an initial universe, $F(U)$ be the set of all fuzzy sets over U , E be a set of parameters and $A \subseteq E$. Then, a fuzzy soft set (f, A) over U is a function from E into $F(U)$.

Definition 4:

[7] Let f_A and f_B be two fuzzy soft sets. Then, f_A is a fuzzy soft subset of f_B , denoted by $f_A \subseteq f_B$, if $\mu_A \subseteq \mu_B$ and $f_A(x) \subseteq f_B(x)$ for all $x \in E$.

Definition 5:

[7] Let f_A and f_B be two fuzzy soft sets. Then, union of f_A and f_B , denoted by $f_A \cup f_B$, is defined by its fuzzy approximate function

$$\mu_{A \cup B}(x) = \mu_A(x) \cup \mu_B(x), \text{ for all } x \in E$$

Definition 6:

[7] Let f_A and f_B be two fuzzy soft sets. Then, intersection of f_A and f_B , denoted by $f_A \cap f_B$, is defined by its approximate function

$$\mu_{A \cap B}(x) = \mu_A(x) \cap \mu_B(x), \text{ for all } x \in E.$$

Definition 7:

[7] Let f_A be a fuzzy soft set over U . Then, the complement f_A^c of f_A is a fuzzy soft set such that

$$f_A^c = f_A^c(x), \text{ for all } x \in E$$

where $f_A^c(x)$ is complement of the set $f_A(x)$.

3. LATTICE STRUCTURES OF FUZZY SOFT SETS

In this section, the notion of fuzzy soft lattices is defined and several related properties are investigated.

Definition 8:

Let f_L be a fuzzy soft set over U , and Υ and Δ be two binary operation on f_L . If, elements of f_L are equipped with two commutative and associative binary operations Υ and Δ which are connected by the absorption law, then algebraic structure (f_L, Υ, Δ) is called a fuzzy soft lattice.

Example 1. Let $U = \{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\}$ be a universe set and $L = \{e_0, e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5\}$ be parameter set. Assume that,

$$\begin{aligned} f_L(e_5) &= \{0.3/x_1, 0.4/x_2, 0.5/x_3, 0.6/x_4\} \\ f_L(e_4) &= \{0.2/x_1, 0.4/x_2, 0.4/x_3\} \\ f_L(e_3) &= \{0.3/x_1, 0.3/x_2, 0.5/x_3, 0.6/x_4\} \\ f_L(e_2) &= \{0.2/x_1, 0.3/x_2, 0.4/x_3\} \\ f_L(e_1) &= \{0.1/x_1, 0.4/x_2\} \\ f_L(e_0) &= \{0.1/x_1, 0.3/x_2\} \end{aligned}$$

Then, (f_L, \cup, \cap) is a fuzzy soft lattice. Here binary operations are fuzzy union and fuzzy intersection. Hasse diagram of f_L appear in Figure 1.

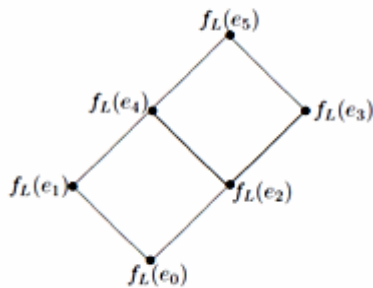


Fig 1: A Fuzzy soft lattice structure

Theorem 1:

Let (f_L, Υ, Δ) be a fuzzy soft lattice. Then

$$f_L(x) \Delta f_L(y) = f_L(x), f_L(x) \Upsilon f_L(y) = f_L(y)$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} f_L(x) \Upsilon f_L(y) &= (f_L(x) \Delta f_L(y)) \Upsilon f_L(y) \\ &= f_L(y) \Upsilon (f_L(x) \Delta f_L(y)) \\ &= f_L(y) \Upsilon (f_L(y) \Delta f_L(x)) \\ &= f_L(y) \end{aligned}$$

Conversely, $f_L(x) \Delta f_L(y) = f_L(x) \Delta (f_L(x) \Upsilon f_L(y)) = f_L(x)$.

Theorem 2:

Let (f_L, Υ, Δ) be a fuzzy soft lattice and \preceq be a relation is denoted by

$$f_L(x) \preceq f_L(y), f_L(x) \Delta f_L(y) = f_L(x) \text{ or } f_L(x) \Upsilon f_L(y) = f_L(y)$$

the relation is an ordering relation on f_L .

Proof:

For all $f_L(x), f_L(y)$ and $f_L(z) \in f_L$,

(i) \preceq is reflexive. $f_L(x) \preceq f_L(y), f_L(x) \Delta f_L(x) = f_L(x)$ by Theorem 1 and Definition 8.

(ii) \preceq is antisymmetric. Let be $f_L(x) \preceq f_L(y)$ and $f_L(y) \preceq f_L(x)$. Then by Definition 8 and Theorem 1.

$$\begin{aligned} f_L(x) &= f_L(x) \Delta f_L(y) \\ &= f_L(y) \Delta f_L(x) \\ &= f_L(y). \end{aligned}$$

(iii) \preceq is transitive. Let be $f_L(x) \preceq f_L(y)$ and $f_L(y) \preceq f_L(z)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} f_L(x) \Delta f_L(z) &= (f_L(x) \Delta f_L(y)) \Delta f_L(z) \\ &= f_L(x) \Delta (f_L(y) \Delta f_L(z)) \\ &= f_L(x) \Delta f_L(z) \\ &= f_L(x) \end{aligned}$$

from Theorem 1, $f_L(x) \preceq f_L(z)$.

Theorem 3:

Let (f_L, Υ, Δ) be a fuzzy soft lattice. Then,

(i) $f_L(x) \Delta f_L(y) \preceq f_L(x)$ and $f_L(x) \Delta f_L(y) \preceq f_L(y)$

(ii) $f_L(x) \preceq f_L(x) \Upsilon f_L(y)$ and $f_L(y) \preceq f_L(x) \Upsilon f_L(y)$

Proof:

(i) By Definition 8, $(f_L(x) \Delta f_L(y)) \Upsilon f_L(x) = f_L(x) \Upsilon (f_L(x) \Delta f_L(y)) = f_L(x)$. From Theorem 1, we get $f_L(x) \Delta f_L(y) \preceq f_L(x)$. It can be show that $f_L(x) \Delta f_L(y) \preceq f_L(y)$.

The proof ii. can be made similarly.

Theorem 4:

Let (f_L, Υ, Δ) be a fuzzy soft lattice. Then,

$$f_L(x) \preceq f_L(y) \text{ and } f_L(z) \preceq f_L(t) \Rightarrow f_L(x) \Delta f_L(z) \preceq f_L(y) \Delta f_L(t)$$

Proof:

From hypothesis and Theorem 1,

$$f_L(x) \Delta f_L(y) = f_L(x) \text{ and } f_L(z) \Upsilon f_L(t) = f_L(z)$$

$$(f_L(x) \Delta f_L(z)) \Delta (f_L(y) \Delta f_L(t)) =$$

$$\begin{aligned} &[(f_L(x) \Delta f_L(z)) \Delta f_L(y)] \Delta f_L(t) \\ &= [f_L(x) \Delta (f_L(z) \Delta f_L(y))] \Delta f_L(t) \\ &= [f_L(x) \Delta (f_L(y) \Delta f_L(z))] \Delta f_L(t) \\ &= [(f_L(x) \Delta f_L(y)) \Delta f_L(z)] \Delta f_L(t) \\ &= (f_L(x) \Delta f_L(y)) \Delta (f_L(z) \Delta f_L(t)) \\ &= f_L(x) \Delta f_L(z) \end{aligned}$$

Then, from Theorem 2, $f_L(x) \Delta f_L(z) \preceq f_L(y) \Delta f_L(t)$.

Theorem 5:

Let $(f_L, \mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{A})$ be a fuzzy soft lattice. Then,
 $f_L(x) \mathbf{Y} f_L(y)$ and $f_L(z) \mathbf{Y} f_L(t) \mathbf{Y} f_L(x)$

$\mathbf{A} f_L(z) \mathbf{Y} f_L(y) \mathbf{A} f_L(t)$

Proof:

Proof is similarly to Theorem 4.

Example 2:

Consider the lattice f_L in Example 1. Since $f_L(e_4) \mathbf{E} f_L(e_5)$ and $f_L(e_2) \mathbf{E} f_L(e_3)$, then $f_L(e_4) \mathbf{Y} f_L(e_2) \mathbf{E} f_L(e_5) \mathbf{Y} f_L(e_3)$, and $f_L(e_4) \mathbf{U} f_L(e_2) \mathbf{E} f_L(e_2) \mathbf{U} f_L(e_5)$.

Lemma 6:

Let $(f_L, \mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{A})$ be a fuzzy soft lattice. Then, $f_L(x)$ and $f_L(y)$ are the least upper bound and the greatest lower bound of $f_L(x)$ and $f_L(y)$, respectively.

Proof:

From Theorem 3, $f_L(x) \mathbf{A} f_L(y)$ and $f_L(x) \mathbf{Y} f_L(y)$ are lower bound and upper bound $f_L(x)$ and $f_L(y)$, respectively. Assume that, $f_L(x) \mathbf{A} f_L(y)$ is not a greatest lower bound of $f_L(x)$ and $f_L(y)$. Then $f_L(z) \mathbf{E} f_L(x) \mathbf{A} f_L(y)$ exists, such that

$f_L(x) \mathbf{A} f_L(y) \mathbf{Y} f_L(z) \mathbf{Y} f_L(x)$ and $f_L(x) \mathbf{A} f_L(y) \mathbf{Y} f_L(z) \mathbf{Y} f_L(y)$. Hence, by Theorem 4, $f_L(z) \mathbf{A} f_L(z) \mathbf{Y} f_L(x) \mathbf{A} f_L(y)$.

Thus $f_L(z) \mathbf{Y} f_L(x) \mathbf{A} f_L(y)$. That is $f_L(z) = f_L(x) \mathbf{A} f_L(y)$. This is a contradiction. For $f_L(x) \mathbf{Y} f_L(y)$ the proof can be made similarly.

Theorem 7:

A fuzzy soft lattice is a poset.

Proof:

The proof is obviously, from Lemma 6. Example 3. Let $U = \{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$ be a universe set and $L = \{e_0, e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4\}$ be parameter set. Assume that,

$f_L(e_0) = \{0.1/x_1, 0.1/x_2, 0.15/x_3\}$
 $f_L(e_1) = \{0.3/x_1, 0.1/x_2, 0.15/x_3\}$
 $f_L(e_2) = \{0.2/x_1, 0.4/x_2, 0.15/x_3\}$
 $f_L(e_3) = \{0.1/x_1, 0.2/x_2, 0.3/x_3\}$
 $f_L(e_4) = \{0.6/x_1, 0.8/x_2, 0.6/x_3\}$

and \mathbf{E} is a partial ordering relation on f_L defined by " $f_L(e_i)(x)$ divides $f_L(e_j)(x)$ " $\forall i, j \in I$ and $x \in U$. Hasse diagram of f_L appears in Figure.2. Thus, f_L is a fuzzy soft lattice.

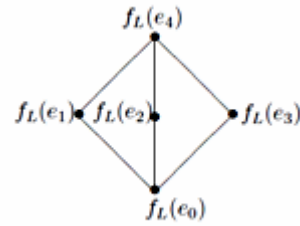


Fig 2: A soft lattice structure

Theorem 8:

Let f_L be a fuzzy soft set. Then, an algebraic structure $(f_L, \mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{E})$ is a fuzzy soft lattice.

Proof:

For all $f_L(x), f_L(y), f_L(z) \mathbf{E} f_L$,

(i) From Lemma 6,

$f_L(x) \mathbf{A} f_L(y) \mathbf{Y} f_L(x)$ and $f_L(x) \mathbf{A} f_L(y) \mathbf{Y} f_L(y)$.

From Theorem 3, $f_L(x) \mathbf{A} f_L(y) \mathbf{Y} f_L(x) \mathbf{A} f_L(x)$.

Similarly,

$f_L(y) \mathbf{A} f_L(x) = f_L(x) \mathbf{A} f_L(y)$ then, $f_L(x) \mathbf{A} f_L(y) \mathbf{Y} f_L(y) \mathbf{A} f_L(x)$. By the same way, the proof of $f_L(x) \mathbf{Y} f_L(y) = f_L(y) \mathbf{Y} f_L(x)$ can be made.

(ii) From Lemma 6, $(f_L(x) \mathbf{A} f_L(y)) \mathbf{A} f_L(z) \mathbf{Y} (f_L(x) \mathbf{A} f_L(y)) \mathbf{Y} f_L(y)$ and $(f_L(x) \mathbf{A} f_L(y)) \mathbf{A} f_L(z) \mathbf{Y} f_L(z)$, and from Theorem 3,

$(f_L(x) \mathbf{A} f_L(y)) \mathbf{A} f_L(z) \mathbf{Y} f_L(y) \mathbf{A} f_L(z)$ (1)

Also

$(f_L(x) \mathbf{A} f_L(y)) \mathbf{A} f_L(z) \mathbf{Y} f_L(x) \mathbf{A} f_L(y) \mathbf{Y} f_L(x)$. (2)

From (1) and (2), $(f_L(x) \mathbf{A} f_L(y)) \mathbf{A} f_L(z) \mathbf{Y} f_L(x) \mathbf{A} (f_L(y) \mathbf{A} f_L(z))$.

Similarly, $f_L(x) \mathbf{A} (f_L(y) \mathbf{A} f_L(z)) \mathbf{Y} (f_L(x) \mathbf{A} f_L(y)) \mathbf{A} f_L(z)$.

Then, $(f_L(x) \mathbf{A} f_L(y)) \mathbf{A} f_L(z) = f_L(x) \mathbf{A} (f_L(y) \mathbf{A} f_L(z))$.

By the same way, the proof of $(f_L(x) \mathbf{Y} f_L(y)) \mathbf{Y} f_L(z) = f_L(x) \mathbf{Y} (f_L(y) \mathbf{Y} f_L(z))$ can be made. From Theorem 3,

$f_L(x) \mathbf{Y} (f_L(x) \mathbf{Y} f_L(y))$ and $f_L(x) \mathbf{Y} f_L(x)$.

From Theorem 4, $f_L(x) \mathbf{Y} (f_L(x) \mathbf{Y} f_L(y)) \mathbf{Y} f_L(x)$.

Similarly, $(f_L(x) \mathbf{Y} f_L(y)) \mathbf{A} f_L(x) \mathbf{Y} f_L(x)$.

Then, $f_L(x) \mathbf{A} (f_L(x) \mathbf{Y} f_L(y)) = f_L(x)$. By the same way, the proof of $f_L(x) \mathbf{Y} (f_L(x) \mathbf{Y} f_L(y)) = f_L(x)$ can be made

Note 1:

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According to Theorem 8, a fuzzy soft lattice $(f_L, \mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{A})$ has the same character with $(f_L, \mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{A}, \leq)$. Therefore, we shall identify any fuzzy soft lattice $(f_L, \mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{A})$ with $(f_L, \mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{A}, \leq)$ and use these two concept as interchangeable.

Lemma 9:

Let $(f_L, \mathbf{U}, \mathbf{N})$ be a fuzzy soft set and \subseteq be a relation is defined by $f_L(x) \subseteq f_L(y)$, $f_L(x) \cup f_L(y) = f_L(y)$ or $f_L(x) \cap f_L(y) = f_L(x)$ for all $f_L(x), f_L(y) \in f_L$, is an ordering relation on f_L .

Proof:

The proof is straightforward.

Corollary 1:

Let $(f_L, \mathbf{U}, \mathbf{N}, \subseteq)$ is a fuzzy soft lattice.

Definition 9:

Let $(f_L, \mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{A}, \leq)$ be a fuzzy soft lattice, If $f_L(x) \leq f_L(y)$ for all $y \in L$, then $f_L(x)$ is called the minimum element of f_L . If $f_L(y) \leq f_L(x)$ for all $y \in L$, then $f_L(x)$ is called the maximum element of f_L .

Definition 10:

Let $(f_L, \mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{A}, \leq)$ be a fuzzy soft lattice. Then, f_L is called a soft chain, If $f_L(y) \leq f_L(x)$ or $f_L(x) \leq f_L(y)$ for all $f_L(x), f_L(y) \in f_L$.

Example 4:

Consider the fuzzy soft lattice f_L in Example 1, a fuzzy soft subset $f_S = \{f_L(e_0), f_L(e_1), f_L(e_4), f_L(e_5)\}$ of f_L is a fuzzy soft chain. But $(f_L, \mathbf{U}, \mathbf{N}, \subseteq)$ is not fuzzy soft chain because $f_L(e_1)$ and $f_L(e_2)$ can not be comparable.

Definition 11:

Let $(f_L, \mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{A}, \leq)$ be a fuzzy soft lattice. If, every subsets of f_L have both a greatest lower bound and a least upper bound, then it is called complete fuzzy soft lattice.

Example 5:

Let $U = \{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\}$ and $L = \{e_0, e_1, e_2, e_3\}$ such that,

$$\begin{aligned} f_L(e_0) &= \{0.1/x_1, 0.3/x_2\} \\ f_L(e_1) &= \{0.2/x_1, 0.3/x_2, 0.4/x_4\} \\ f_L(e_2) &= \{0.1/x_1, 0.4/x_2\} \\ f_L(e_3) &= \{0.2/x_1, 0.4/x_2, 0.4/x_3\} \end{aligned}$$

Then $(f_L, \mathbf{U}, \mathbf{N}, \subseteq)$ is a complete fuzzy soft lattice. Because every finite subset of f_L have a greatest lower bound and a least upper bound.

Definition 12:

Let $(f_L, \mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{A}, \leq)$ be a fuzzy soft lattice and $f_M \subseteq f_L$. If f_M is a fuzzy soft lattice with the operations of f_L , then f_M is called a fuzzy soft sublattice of f_L .

Example 6:

Let f_L be a fuzzy soft lattice as in Figure 1. It is clear that

$$f_{L_1} = \{(e_0, \{0.09/x_1, 0.29/x_2\}), (e_1, \{0.09/x_1, 0.39/x_2\}), (e_2, \{0.19/x_1, 0.29/x_2, 0.39/x_4\}), (e_4, \{0.19/x_1, 0.39/x_2, 0.49/x_4\})\}$$

And

$$f_{L_2} = \{(e_0, \{0.08/x_1, 0.28/x_2\}), (e_2, \{0.18/x_1, 0.28/x_2, 0.38/x_4\}), (e_3, \{0.28/x_1, 0.28/x_2, 0.48/x_3, 0.55/x_4\})\}$$

are both fuzzy soft sublattices of f_L .

Proposition 1:

Let f_{L_1} and f_{L_2} be two fuzzy soft sublattices of f_L . Then, $f_{L_1} \cap f_{L_2}$ is a fuzzy soft lattice with operations of f_L .

The following example shows Proposition 1 doesn't hold in general with respect to the soft union.

Example 7:

Let f_{L_1} and f_{L_2} be two fuzzy soft sublattices of f_L as in Figure 1, such that

$$f_{L_1} = \{(e_0, \{0.09/x_1, 0.29/x_2\}), (e_2, \{0.19/x_1, 0.29/x_2, 0.39/x_4\}), (e_3, \{0.29/x_1, 0.39/x_2, 0.49/x_3, 0.54/x_4\}), (e_5, \{0.29/x_1, 0.39/x_2, 0.49/x_3, 0.55/x_4\})\}$$

And

$$f_{L_2} = \{(e_0, \{0.08/x_1, 0.28/x_2\}), (e_2, \{0.18/x_1, 0.28/x_2, 0.38/x_4\}), (e_4, \{0.18/x_1, 0.38/x_2, 0.54/x_4\}), (e_5, \{0.28/x_1, 0.38/x_2, 0.48/x_3, 0.54/x_4\})\}$$

It is easily verified that

$$f_{L_1} \cap f_{L_2} = \{(e_0, \{0.08/x_1, 0.28/x_2\}), (e_2, \{0.18/x_1, 0.28/x_2, 0.38/x_4\}), (e_5, \{0.28/x_1, 0.38/x_2, 0.48/x_3, 0.54/x_4\})\}$$

is a fuzzy soft lattice. But

$$f_{L_1} \cup f_{L_2} = \{(e_0, \{0.09/x_1, 0.29/x_2\}), (e_2, \{0.19/x_1, 0.29/x_2, 0.39/x_4\}), (e_3, \{0.29/x_1, 0.29/x_2, 0.49/x_3, 0.54/x_4\}), (e_4, \{0.18/x_1, 0.38/x_2, 0.54/x_4\}), (e_5, \{0.29/x_1, 0.39/x_2, 0.49/x_3, 0.55/x_4\})\}$$

isn't a fuzzy soft sublattice of f_L .

Corollary 2:

Every fuzzy soft chain is a fuzzy soft sublattice.

Proof:

Let f_C be a fuzzy soft chain. Since any two elements of f_C is comparable, and for all $f_C(x), f_C(y) \in f_C$, $f_C(x) \mathbf{A} f_C(y)$ and $f_C(x) \mathbf{Y} f_C(y) \in f_C$.

Corollary 3:

Every fuzzy soft lattice is fuzzy soft sublattice of itself.

<http://www.ejournalofscience.org>**Proof:**

The proof is clearly.

Definition 13:

Let $(f_L, \mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{K})$ be a fuzzy soft lattice. Then, f_L is called distributive fuzzy soft lattice. If

$$\begin{aligned} f_L(x) \mathcal{A} (f_L(y) \mathcal{Y} f_L(z)) &= (f_L(x) \mathcal{A} f_L(y)) \mathcal{Y} (f_L(x) \\ &\mathcal{A} f_L(z)) \\ f_L(x) \mathcal{Y} (f_L(y) \mathcal{A} f_L(z)) &= (f_L(x) \mathcal{Y} f_L(y)) \mathcal{A} (f_L(x) \\ &\mathcal{Y} f_L(z)). \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 10:

Let f_L be a distributive fuzzy soft lattice. Then every fuzzy soft sublattice of f_L is distributive.

Proof:

It is straightforward.

Theorem 11:

Every fuzzy soft chain is a distributive fuzzy soft lattice.

Proof:

It is immediate by Definition 5 and 13.

Definition 14:

Let $(f_L, \mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{K})$ be a fuzzy soft lattice. Then, f_L is called modular fuzzy soft lattice. If it satisfies the following axiom:

$$\begin{aligned} f_L(z) \mathcal{K} f_L(x) \Rightarrow f_L(x) \mathcal{A} (f_L(y) \mathcal{Y} f_L(z)) &= (f_L(x) \\ &\mathcal{A} f_L(y)) \mathcal{Y} f_L(z). \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 12:

If $(f_L, \mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{K})$ be a distributive fuzzy soft lattice, then $(f_L, \mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{K})$ is a fuzzy soft modular lattice.

Proof:

The proof is clearly.

Example 8:

Consider the fuzzy soft lattice f_L in Example 3, f_L is a modular fuzzy soft lattice.

Note 2:

Modular fuzzy soft lattice may not be a distributive fuzzy soft lattice.

Example 9:

Consider the fuzzy soft lattice f_L in Example 3. Since $f_L(e_1) \mathcal{A} (f_L(e_2) \mathcal{Y} f_L(e_3)) \neq (f_L(e_1) \mathcal{A} f_L(e_2)) \mathcal{Y} f_L(e_3)$, although $(f_L, \mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{K})$ is a modular fuzzy soft lattice, it is not distributive soft lattice.

Theorem 13:

Let $(f_L, \mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{K})$ be a fuzzy soft lattice. Then, $f_L(x) \mathcal{K} f_L(y) \Rightarrow f_L(x) \mathcal{K} f_L(y) \mathcal{A} (f_L(x) \mathcal{Y} f_L(z))$

Example 10:

The fuzzy soft lattice $(f_L, \mathcal{U}, \mathcal{N}, \mathcal{E})$, is an example for Theorem 13.

Theorem 14:

Every fuzzy soft chain is a modular fuzzy soft lattice.

Proof:

It is immediate by Definition 5 and 14.

4. CONCLUSION

The fuzzy soft set theory has been applied to many fields from theoretical to practical. In this study, we first define concept of fuzzy soft lattice. We then study fuzzy soft sublattice, complete fuzzy soft lattice, modular fuzzy soft lattice, distributive fuzzy soft lattice, fuzzy soft chain with their basic properties and give several illustrative examples. Moreover, based on this paper, we can investigate other properties of fuzzy soft lattices.

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