FUZZY SETS HELP UNDERSTAND CRISP DECISION THEORY
Leonid M. Kitainik

1. **Motivation.** Fuzzy constructions too often have no influence on crisp prototypes. The desirable interaction should be mutual – say, $CRISP \xrightleftharpoons[\text{explanation, new concepts}]{\text{generalization}} FUZZY$. Below, several examples of this kind within the frame of decision theory with binary relations are demonstrated (R is [crisp or fuzzy] antireflexive binary preference relation (BR) on a finite set X of alternatives).

2. **Rationality concepts.** Crisp choice rules with BRs are based on "rationality concepts" (RC) $p(R):2^X \to \{0,1\}$, yielding "multifold choice" $\mathcal{D}_c(p,R)=p(R)^{-1}(1)$ [1]. Algebraic formulas of three basic RC's [3-6] are as follows($Z \subseteq X$ is rational iff <Formula>) :

Name Denotation	R-non-domination $\Delta_1(R)(Z)$	Independence $\Delta_2(R)(Z)$	Domination $\Delta_3(R)(Z)$
Formula	$R \square Z \subseteq \overline{Z}$	$R \square Z \subseteq \overline{Z}$	$\overline{Z} \subseteq R \square Z$

(in this table, $\square$ is composition law – boolean product). Set $\Pi_\Delta(\square)=\{$non-decreasing boolean polynoms $p(\Delta_1,\Delta_2,\Delta_3)\}$. This family of RC's is free distributive lattice with three generators (D_{18}), containing 18 decision

procedures. Dual composition law $|\overline{\square}$, $R|\overline{\square}Z=\overline{R \square \overline{Z}}$ generates alternative family $\Pi_\Delta(|\overline{\square})$. Many of well-known choice rules are included in $\Pi_\Delta(\square)$: non-domination ND – $\Delta_1 \wedge \Delta_2$; von Neumann – Morgenstern solution NMS – $\Delta_2 \wedge \Delta_3$; game-theoretical kernel GTK $\Delta_1 \wedge \Delta_2 \wedge \Delta_3$, GOCHA [7] – Δ_1. $\Pi_\Delta(|\overline{\square})$ contains RC Δ_3, underlying GETCHA rule [7].

3. **Fuzzy decision procedures. Optimal solutions.** Fuzzy generalization of RC is fuzzy decision procedure FDP [3,5,6] $p:\mathcal{F}(X^2) \to \mathcal{F}^{(2)}(X)$, $p(R)$ being fuzzy level 2 subset of X. Fuzzy versions of Δ_1 depend on fuzzy inclusion Inc and composition law $\odot$ $(\mu_{\Delta_1(R)}(a)=\mu_{Inc}(R \odot a, \overline{a})$; $\mu_{\Delta_2(R)}(a)=\mu_{Inc}(R \odot a, \overline{a})$ etc.). $\Pi_\Delta(\odot,Inc)$ is defined as in crisp case. "Truth set" $\mathcal{D}_c(p,R)$ is changed for optimal solution $\mathcal{D}_f(p,R)=\mu_{p(R)}^{-1}(\mu_{p(R)}^*)$, $\mu_{p(R)}^* = \bigvee_{a \in \mathcal{F}(X)} \mu_{p(R)}(a)$.

4. **Comparative study of choice rules.** Suppose $Inc = I_5$ is Dienes inclusion. Fuzzy ND rule $p=(\Delta_1 \wedge \Delta_2)(\square, I_5)$ has

optimal solution $\mathfrak{D}_{\mathrm{I}}(p,R)=[0,\chi_{ND(R_{>0})}]$, containing $\varepsilon \circ \chi_Z$
with any $Z \subseteq ND(R_{>0})$ and arbitrarily small ε as well as $ND(R_{>0})$ itself. Similarly, 16 of 18 choice rules in $\Pi_A(\square,inc)$ ($inc \in \{I_5,\subseteq\}$ [2]) induce **no confident crisp choice**). Only NMS and GTK yield "meaningful" fuzzy solutions [3,4]; for NMS $p=\Delta_2 \wedge \Delta_3$, $\mathfrak{D}_{I}(p,R) = \underset{K \in \mathcal{K}^*}{\cup} [\mu^* \chi_K, \chi_K \vee \bar{\mu}^* \chi_K^-]$; ($\mu^* = \mu^*(p,R) > 1/2$; $\mathcal{K}^* = \{K \in NMS(R_{>1/2}) \mid \mu_{p(R)}(\chi_K) = \mu^*\}$). So, optimal solution is collection of **fuzzy dichotomies** $[\mu^*,1]/K + [0,\bar{\mu}^*]/K$, providing stable **guaranteed** resolvability $\mu^* - \bar{\mu}^* > 0$, in contrast with ND-case.

5. **Adjusting crisp choice**. When applied to crisp relations, FDPs often change dichotomy *chosen/rejected* to triangulation *chosen/uncertain/rejected*. Thus, with **GETCHA** rationality concept [7] $p=\Delta_3(\mid\bar{\square},I_5)$, triangulation is $\tau_Z = \{Z \backslash R \mid \bar{\square} Z, Z \wedge R \mid \bar{\square} Z, Z\}$ ($Z \in \mathfrak{D}_c(p,R)$); so, FDPs "automatically" turn boolean logic into the three-valued one.

6. **Producing new choice rules**. "Exact fuzzy NMS" [4] $p=(\Delta_2 \wedge \Delta_3)(\square,\subseteq)$; $\mathfrak{D}_{I}(p,R)=\{a \mid R \square a = \bar{a}\}$ introduces new crisp **ranking** concept – "**dipole decomposition**", that is, a partition $\delta = \{Z_k^+, Z_0, Z_k^-\}_1^m$ of the support X_k satisfying the system of equations: $R \square Z_k^+ = Z_k^-$, $R^{-1} \square Z_k^+ \subseteq \underset{j=1}{\overset{k}{\cup}} Z_j^-$ and being the generalization of von Neumann – Morgenstern solution.

References
1. Bondareva O.N. (1988). Kernel and von Neumann – Morgenstern Solution as Fuzzy Choice Functions. Vestnik Leningradskogo Gosudarstvennogo Universiteta, No. 8.
2. Kitainik L.M. (1987). Fuzzy inclusions and fuzzy dichotomous decision procedures. In: "Optimization Models Using Fuzzy Sets and Possibility Theory", J.Kacprzyk and S. Orlovsky (Eds.), D.Reidel, Dordrecht/Boston.
3. Kitainik L.M. (1988). Fuzzy Binary Relations and Decision Procedures. Technical Cybernetics, No. 6.
4. Kitainik L.M. (1989). Exact Fuzzy von Neumann – Morgenstern Solutions. The 3-d IFSA Congress, Seattle.
5. Kitainik L.M. (1990). Systematization of Choice Rules With Binary Relations. Automatics and Telemechanics, No.5.
6. Kitainik L.M. (1990). Fuzzy Sets Help Understand Crisp Decision Theory. 12-th International Seminar on Fuzzy Set Theory. Linz.
7 Scwartz T.(1986). The Logic of Collective Choice. Columbia University Press, N.Y.

**Computing Center of the USSR Academy of Sciences,
40 Vavilova Street, 117333, Moscow, USSR**