

L-Fuzzy Multivalued Mapping

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Abstract

In this paper, we introduce a new definition of *L*-fuzzy multivalued mapping and investigate some of their properties.

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1 Introduction

In 1988, Ottoy and Kerre introduced the concept of a fuzzy multivalued mapping [2], based on the observation that every fuzzy relation from a universe X into a universe Y can be characterized by means of a unique mapping from X into I^Y (with $I = [0, 1]$) and vice versa. Due to this identification, the whole machinery of Berge's multivalued mappings can be extended to fuzzy multivalued mappings. In [2], Ottoy and Kerre also defined the direct images, the lower and upper inverse images of fuzzy sets under a fuzzy multivalued mapping, and listed some elementary properties. Recently, we have taken up this study again, and have added some additional properties to this list, mainly concerning the direct and the lower inverse images [4]. Such a repository of properties and relationships comes in very handy, as we have experienced in our successful extension of Berge's pure and stable sets with respect to multivalued mappings to fuzzy multivalued mappings [1,3]. The purpose of this paper is to share this arsenal of properties with other researchers. We will therefore discuss them in detail and provide, for the first time, proofs where required.

2 Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, let X be a nonempty set and $L = (L, \leq, \vee, \wedge, \perp, \top)$ a completely distributive lattice where \perp (resp. \top) denotes the universal lower (resp. upper) bound.

Definition 2.1 [6]**CQML**, the category of **complete quasi-monoidal lattices**, comprises the following data, where composition and identities are taken from **SET**:

- (1) **Objects**: (L, \leq, \odot) where $\odot : L \times L \rightarrow L$ is isotone and $\top \odot \top = \top$.
- (2) **Morphisms**: All **SET** morphisms preserves \odot , \top and arbitrary \vee .

Definition 2.2 [6]**Categories related to CQML**.

(1) **QUMML**, the category of **quasi-uniform monoidal lattices** is the full subcategory of **CQML** for which \odot is associative, commutative and \top is identity.

(2) **DQML**, the category of **deMorgan quasi-monoidal lattices** is the full subcategory of **CQML** for which $*$ is an order-reversing involution and each morphism preserves the involution.

(3) **QUANT**, the category of **quantales** is the full subcategory of **CQML** for which \odot is distributive over arbitrary joins, i.e.,

$$\left(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} r_i\right) \odot s = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (r_i \odot s).$$

(4) **QUANT**, the category of **coquantales** is the full subcategory of **CQML** for which \odot is distributive over arbitrary meets, i.e.,

$$\left(\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} r_i\right) \odot s = \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} (r_i \odot s).$$

(5) **DQUAT**, the category of **deMorgan, quasi-uniform monoidal quantales**. In this paper, for each $(L, \leq, \odot, *) \in \mathbf{DQUAT}$, we define $x \oplus y = (x^* \odot y^*)^*$.

(6) **DBIQUAT** = **DQUAT** \cap **COQUANT**.

(7) **CMVAL**, the category of **complete MV-algebra** is the full subcategory of **DBIQUAT** for which it satisfies

(MV) $(x \mapsto y) \mapsto y = x \vee y$, for all $x, y \in L$ where $x \mapsto y$ is defined by $x \mapsto y = \bigvee \{z \mid x \odot z \leq y\}$ and $x^* = x \mapsto \perp$.

Definition 2.3 [5] Let $(L, \leq, \odot, \oplus, *) \in \mathbf{DQUAT}$ and $\phi : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. For each $x, y, z \in L$, $\{y_i \mid i \in \Gamma\} \subset L$, $f, g \in L^X$ and $f_i \in L^Y$ we have:

- (1) If $y \leq z$, $(x \odot y) \leq (x \odot z)$ and $(x \oplus y) \leq (x \oplus z)$.

- (2) $x \odot y \leq x \wedge y \leq x \vee y \leq x \oplus y$.
- (3) $\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} y_i^* = (\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} y_i)^*$ and $\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} y_i^* = (\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} y_i)^*$.
- (4) $x \oplus (\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} y_i) = \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} (x \oplus y_i)$.
- (5) $\phi^{-}(f \odot g) \leq \phi^{-}(f) \odot \phi^{-}(g)$ with equality if ϕ is injective.
- (6) $\phi^{-}(\odot_{i \in \Gamma} f_i) = \odot_{i \in \Gamma} \phi^{-}(f_i)$ and $\phi^{-}(\oplus_{i \in \Gamma} f_i) = \oplus_{i \in \Gamma} \phi^{-}(f_i)$, Γ is finite.
- (7) For $(L, \leq, \odot, \oplus, *) \in |\mathbf{DBIQUAT}|$, we have $x \oplus (\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} y_i) = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (x \oplus y_i)$.
- (8) For $(L, \leq, \odot, \oplus, *) \in |\mathbf{DBIQUAT}|$, we have $\phi^{-}(f \oplus g) \leq \phi^{-}(f) \oplus \phi^{-}(g)$ with equality if ϕ is injective.

3 *L*-fuzzy multivalued mapping

Definition 3.1 An *L*-fuzzy multivalued mapping (*L*-FMM, for short) ϕ from X into Y assigns to each $x \in X$, an *L*-fuzzy set $\phi(x)$ in Y . We can identify with an *L*-fuzzy subset $G_\phi \in L^{X \times Y}$, $\phi(x)(y) = G_\phi(x, y)$ for any $(x, y) \in X \times Y$.

Consider an *L*-FMM ϕ from X into Y . The domain of ϕ , denoted by $dom(\phi)$ and the range of ϕ , denoted by $rng(\phi)$, for any $x \in X$ and $y \in Y$,

$$dom(\phi)(x) = \bigvee_{y \in Y} G_\phi(x, y), \text{ and } rng(\phi)(y) = \bigvee_{x \in X} G_\phi(x, y).$$

The inverse mapping of an *L*-FMM ϕ from X into Y is an *L*-FMM ϕ^{-} from Y into X defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \phi^{-} : Y &\rightarrow L^X, & \text{where } \phi^{-}(y) : X &\rightarrow L \\ y &\rightarrow \phi^{-}(y), \text{ for each } y \in Y, & x &\rightarrow G_\phi(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

One can immediately verify that $dom(\phi^{-}) = rng(\phi)$ and $dom(\phi) = rng(\phi^{-})$.

Definition 3.2 Let ϕ be an *L*-FMM from X into Y . Then,

- (1) the image of an *L*-fuzzy subset f in X is an *L*-fuzzy subset $\phi^{\Rightarrow}(f)$ in Y is defined by

$$\phi^{\Rightarrow}(f)(y) = \bigvee_{x \in X} [G_\phi(x, y) \odot f(x)].$$

- (2) the lower inverse of an *L*-fuzzy subset g in Y is an *L*-fuzzy subset $\phi^{\Downarrow}(g)$ in X is defined by

$$\phi^{\Downarrow}(g)(x) = \bigvee_{y \in Y} [G_\phi(x, y) \odot g(y)].$$

- (3) the upper inverse of an *L*-fuzzy subset g in Y is an *L*-fuzzy subset $\phi^{\Uparrow}(g)$ in X is defined by

$$\phi^{\Uparrow}(g)(x) = \bigwedge_{y \in Y} [G_\phi(x, y) \oplus g(y)].$$

Definition 3.3 Let ϕ be an *L*-FMM from X into Y . Then, ϕ is called:

- (1) surjective L -FMM iff for each $y \in Y$, $rng(\phi)(y) = \top$.
 (2) a crisp L -FMM iff for each $x \in X$, $G_\phi(x, y) = \top$, for any $y \in Y$.
 (3) normalized L -FMM iff for each $x \in X$, there exists $y_0 \in Y$ such that $G_\phi(x, y_0) = \top$.

Theorem 3.4 Let ϕ be an L -FMM from X into Y . Then,

- (1) if $f_1 \leq f_2$, then $\phi^{\Rightarrow}(f_1) \leq \phi^{\Rightarrow}(f_2)$.
 (2) if $g_1 \leq g_2$, then $\phi^\Downarrow(g_1) \leq \phi^\Downarrow(g_2)$ and $\phi^\Uparrow(g_1) \leq \phi^\Uparrow(g_2)$.
 (3) if ϕ is normalized, then $\phi^\Uparrow(g) \leq \phi^\Downarrow(g)$.
 (4) if ϕ^- is normalized, then $(\phi^{\Rightarrow}(f))^* \leq \phi^{\Rightarrow}(f^*)$.
 (5) if ϕ is normalized, then $(\phi^\Downarrow(f))^* \leq \phi^\Downarrow(f^*)$.
 (6) $\phi^\Uparrow(f) = (\phi^\Downarrow(f^*))^*$ and $\phi^\Downarrow(f) = (\phi^\Uparrow(f^*))^*$

Proof (1) and (2) the proof is easy by the definition.

(3) Since ϕ is normalized, we can choose $y_0 \in Y$ such that $G_\phi(x, y_0) = \top$.
 Then,

$$\phi^\Downarrow(g)(x) = \bigvee_{y \in Y} [G_\phi(x, y) \odot g(y)] \geq G_\phi(x, y_0) \odot g(y_0) = \top \odot g(y_0) = g(y_0).$$

$$\phi^\Uparrow(g)(x) = \bigwedge_{y \in Y} [G_\phi^*(x, y) \oplus g(y)] \leq G_\phi^*(x, y_0) \oplus g(y_0) = \perp \oplus g(y_0) = g(y_0).$$

(5) Since ϕ is normalized, we can choose $y_0 \in Y$ such that $G_\phi(x, y_0) = \top$.
 Then,

$$(\phi^\Downarrow(g))^*(x) = \left(\bigvee_{y \in Y} [G_\phi(x, y) \odot g(y)] \right)^* \leq (G_\phi(x, y_0) \odot g(y_0))^* = (\top \odot g(y_0))^* = g^*(y_0).$$

$$\phi^\Downarrow(g^*)(x) = \bigwedge_{y \in Y} [G_\phi^*(x, y) \oplus g(y)] \geq G_\phi^*(x, y_0) \oplus g^*(y_0) = \perp \oplus g^*(y_0) = g^*(y_0).$$

$$\begin{aligned} (6) \quad & (\phi^\Downarrow(f^*))^*(x) = \left(\bigvee_{y \in Y} [G_\phi(x, y) \odot f(y)] \right)^* \\ & = \bigwedge_{y \in Y} \left([G_\phi(x, y) \odot f^*(y)] \right)^* \\ & = \bigwedge_{y \in Y} [G_\phi^*(x, y) \oplus f(y)] \\ & = \phi^\Uparrow(f)(x). \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3.5 Let $(L, \leq, \odot, \oplus, *) \in |\mathbf{DQUAT}|$ and $\phi : X \rightarrow L^Y$ be an L -FMM. Then

- (1) $\phi^{\Rightarrow}(\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} f_i) \leq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \phi^{\Rightarrow}(f_i)$.
 (2) $\phi^\Downarrow(\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} f_i) \leq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \phi^\Downarrow(f_i)$.
 (3) $\phi^\Uparrow(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} f_i) \geq \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \phi^\Uparrow(f_i)$.

Proof (1) This can be proved in a similar way as (2).

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (2) \phi^\downarrow(\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} f_i)(x) = \bigvee_{y \in Y} [G_\phi(x, y) \odot (\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} f_i(y))] \\
 & = (\bigvee_{y \in Y} \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} [G_\phi(x, y) \odot f_i(y)]) \\
 & \leq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} (\bigvee_{y \in Y} [G_\phi(x, y) \odot f_i(y)]) = \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \phi^\downarrow(f_i). \\
 & (3) \phi^\uparrow(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} f_i)(x) = \bigwedge_{y \in Y} [G_\phi^*(x, y) \oplus (\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} f_i(y))] \\
 & = (\bigwedge_{y \in Y} \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} [G_\phi^*(x, y) \oplus f_i(y)]) \\
 & \geq \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (\bigwedge_{y \in Y} [G_\phi^*(x, y) \oplus f_i(y)]) = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \phi^\uparrow(f_i).
 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3.6 Let $\phi : X \rightarrow L^Y$ be an *L-FMM*. Then

- (1) $\phi^\Rightarrow(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} f_i) = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \phi^\Rightarrow(f_i)$.
- (2) $\phi^\downarrow(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} f_i) = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \phi^\downarrow(f_i)$.
- (3) $\phi^\uparrow(\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} f_i) = \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \phi^\uparrow(f_i)$.
- (4) $\phi^\Rightarrow(\underline{\alpha}) = \underline{\alpha}$, if ϕ is surjective.
- (5) $\phi^\downarrow(\underline{\alpha}) = \phi^\uparrow(\underline{\alpha}) = \underline{\alpha}$, if ϕ^\leftarrow is surjective.

Proof (5) $\phi^\downarrow(\underline{\alpha}) = \bigvee_{y \in Y} [G_\phi(x, y) \odot \underline{\alpha}(y)]$
 $= \bigvee_{y \in Y} [G_\phi(x, y) \odot \alpha]$
 $= \top \odot \alpha = \alpha(y),$
 $\phi^\uparrow(\underline{\alpha}) = \bigwedge_{y \in Y} [G_\phi^*(x, y) \oplus \underline{\alpha}(y)]$
 $= \bigwedge_{y \in Y} [G_\phi^*(x, y) \oplus \alpha]$
 $= \perp \oplus \alpha = \alpha(y).$

Definition 3.7 Consider the family $\{\phi_i\}_{i \in \Gamma}$ of *L-FMM*'s from X into Y , we define the union and the intersection of the family pointwise as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i : X \rightarrow Y \text{ is defined by } (\bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i)(x) &= \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i(x), \\
 \bigcap_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i : X \rightarrow Y \text{ is defined by } (\bigcap_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i)(x) &= \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i(x).
 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3.8 Let $(L, \leq, \odot, \oplus, *) \in |\mathbf{DQUAT}|$ and $\phi_i : X \rightarrow L^Y$ be an *L-FMM*. Then,

- (1) $(\bigcap_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i)^\Rightarrow(f) \leq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} (\phi_i)^\Rightarrow(f)$.
- (2) $(\bigcap_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i)^\downarrow_L(f) \leq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} (\phi_i)^\downarrow(f)$.
- (3) $(\bigcap_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i)^\uparrow_L(f) \geq \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (\phi_i)^\uparrow(f)$.

Proof (2) $(\bigcap_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i)^\downarrow_L(f)(x) = \bigvee_{y \in Y} (G_{(\bigcap_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i)}(x, y) \odot f(y))$
 $= \bigvee_{y \in Y} (\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i(x)(y) \odot f(y))$
 $\leq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} (\bigvee_{y \in Y} G_{\phi_i}(x, y) \odot f(y)) = \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} (\phi_i)^\downarrow(f)(x).$
 (3) $(\bigcap_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i)^\uparrow_L(f)(x) = \bigwedge_{y \in Y} (G_{(\bigcap_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i)}^*(x, y) \oplus f(y))$
 $= \bigwedge_{y \in Y} (\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (\phi_i(x)(y))^* \oplus f(y))$
 $\geq \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (\bigwedge_{y \in Y} G_{\phi_i}^*(x, y) \oplus f(y)) = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (\phi_i)^\uparrow(f)(x).$

Theorem 3.9 Let $\phi_i : X \rightarrow L^Y$ be an L -FMM. Then,

- (1) $(\bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i)^{\Rightarrow}(f) = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (\phi_i)^{\Rightarrow}(f)$.
- (2) $(\bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i)^{\Downarrow}(f) = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (\phi_i)^{\Downarrow}(f)$.
- (3) $(\bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i)^{\Uparrow}(f) \leq \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (\phi_i)^{\Uparrow}(f)$.
- (4) $(\bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i)^{\Uparrow}(f) = \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} (\phi_i)^{\Uparrow}(f)$.
- (5) $(\bigcap_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i)^{\Uparrow}(f) \neq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} (\phi_i)^{\Uparrow}(f)$.
- (6) If ϕ is normalized, then $(\phi_i)^{\Downarrow}((\phi_i)^{\Rightarrow})(f) \geq f$.
- (7) If ϕ^{\leftarrow} is normalized, then $\phi^{\Rightarrow}((\phi_i)^{\Downarrow})(f) \geq f$.
- (8) $(\phi_i)^{\Rightarrow}((\phi_i)^{\Downarrow})(f) \not\geq f$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proof (2)} \quad & (\bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i)^{\Downarrow}_L(f)(x) = \bigvee_{y \in Y} (G_{(\bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i)}(x, y) \odot f(y)) \\ & = \bigvee_{y \in Y} ((\bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i)(x)(y) \odot f(y)) \\ & = \bigvee_{y \in Y} (\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (\phi_i)(x)(y) \odot f(y)) \\ & = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (\bigvee_{y \in Y} G_{\phi_i}(x, y) \odot f(y)) \\ & = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (\phi_i)^{\Downarrow}(f)(x) = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (\phi_i)^{\Downarrow}_L(f)(x). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(3)} \quad & (\bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i)^{\Uparrow}_L(f)(x) = \bigwedge_{y \in Y} (G_{(\bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i)}^*(x, y) \oplus f(y)) \\ & = \bigwedge_{y \in Y} ((\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \phi_i)(x)(y))^* \oplus f(y) \\ & = \bigwedge_{y \in Y} (\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} (\phi_i)(x)(y))^* \oplus f(y) \\ & = \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} (\bigwedge_{y \in Y} G_{\phi_i}^*(x, y) \oplus f(y)) = \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} (\phi_i)^{\Uparrow}(f)(x). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(6)} \quad & \text{Since } \phi \text{ is normalized, then there exists } y_0 \text{ such that } G_{\phi}(x, y_0) = \top. \text{ Let } \\ & x \in X \text{ and } f \in L^X. \text{ Then, } (\phi_i)^{\Downarrow}((\phi_i)^{\Rightarrow}(f))(x) = \bigvee_{y \in Y} [G_{\phi_i}(x, y) \odot (\phi_i)^{\Rightarrow}(f)(y)] \\ & = \bigvee_{y \in Y} [G_{\phi_i}(x, y) \odot (\bigvee_{z \in X} [G_{\phi_i}(z, y) \odot f(z)])] \\ & \geq \bigvee_{y \in Y} [G_{\phi_i}(x, y) \odot ([G_{\phi_i}(x, y_0) \odot f(x)])] \\ & = \bigvee_{y \in Y} [G_{\phi_i}(x, y) \odot f(x)] \\ & = (\bigvee_{y \in Y} G_{\phi_i}(x, y)) \odot f(x) = \top \odot f(x) = f(x). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Example 3.10} \quad & \text{Let } L = [0, 1] \text{ be given and } X = \{x_1, x_2\}, Y = \{y_1, y_2, y_3\} \\ & \text{and } \phi : X \rightarrow L^Y \text{ be } L\text{-FMM defined by } G_{\phi}(x_1, y_1) = 0.3, G_{\phi}(x_1, y_2) = 0.6, \\ & G_{\phi}(x_1, y_3) = 0.0, G_{\phi}(x_2, y_1) = 0.0, G_{\phi}(x_2, y_2) = 0.0 \text{ and } G_{\phi}(x_2, y_3) = 0.4. \\ & \text{Define } f(y_1) = 0.3, f(y_2) = 0.0 \text{ and } f(y_3) = 0.7. \text{ Let } x \odot y = 0 \vee (x + y - 1) \\ & \text{and } x \oplus y = 1 \wedge (x + y). \text{ Then } \phi^{\Downarrow}(x_1) = [G_{\phi}(x_1, y_1) \odot f(y_1)] \vee [G_{\phi}(x_1, y_2) \odot \\ & f(y_2)] \vee [G_{\phi}(x_1, y_3) \odot f(y_3)] \\ & = [0.3 \odot 0.3] \vee [0.6 \odot 0.0] \vee [0.0 \odot 0.7] = 0.0, \phi^{\Downarrow}(x_2) = [G_{\phi}(x_2, y_1) \odot f(y_1)] \vee \\ & [G_{\phi}(x_2, y_2) \odot f(y_2)] \vee [G_{\phi}(x_2, y_3) \odot f(y_3)] \\ & = [0.0 \odot 0.3] \vee [0.0 \odot 0.0] \vee [0.4 \odot 0.7] = 0.1, \phi^{\Rightarrow} \phi^{\Downarrow}(f)(y_1) = [G_{\phi}(x_1, y_1) \odot \\ & \phi^{\Downarrow}(f(x_1))] \vee [G_{\phi}(x_2, y_1) \odot \phi^{\Downarrow}(f(x_2))] \\ & = [0.3 \odot 0.0] \vee [0.0 \odot 0.1] = 0.0 \phi^{\Rightarrow} \phi^{\Downarrow}(f)(y_2) = [G_{\phi}(x_1, y_2) \odot \phi^{\Downarrow}(f(x_1))] \vee \\ & [G_{\phi}(x_2, y_2) \odot \phi^{\Downarrow}(f(x_2))] \\ & = [0.6 \odot 0.0] \vee [0.0 \odot 0.1] = 0.0 \phi^{\Rightarrow} \phi^{\Downarrow}(f)(y_3) = [G_{\phi}(x_1, y_3) \odot \phi^{\Downarrow}(f(x_1))] \vee \\ & [G_{\phi}(x_2, y_3) \odot \phi^{\Downarrow}(f(x_2))] \\ & = [0.0 \odot 0.0] \vee [0.4 \odot 0.1] = 0.0 \text{ Thus, } \phi^{\Rightarrow} \phi^{\Downarrow}(f) \not\geq f. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3.11 Let $\phi : X \rightarrow L^Y$ be a crisp L -FMM. Then

- (1) $\phi \rightrightarrows (\phi^\uparrow(f)) \leq f$.
- (2) $\phi^\uparrow(\phi \rightrightarrows(f)) \geq f$.
- (3) If ϕ is normalized, then $\phi^\downarrow(\phi \rightrightarrows(\underline{\alpha})) = \underline{\alpha}$.
- (4) If ϕ^\downarrow is normalized, then $\phi \rightrightarrows(\phi^\downarrow(\underline{\alpha})) = \underline{\alpha}$.

Proof (1) $\phi \rightrightarrows(\phi^\uparrow(f)) = \bigvee_{x \in X} [G_\phi(x, y) \odot \phi^\uparrow(f)(x)]$
 $= \bigvee_{x \in X} [G_\phi(x, y) \odot \bigwedge_{s \in Y} [G_\phi^*(x, s) \oplus f(s)]]$
 $\leq \bigvee_{x \in X} [G_\phi(x, y) \odot [G_\phi^*(x, y) \oplus f(y)]]$
 $\leq \bigvee_{x \in X} [G_\phi(x, y) \wedge [G_\phi^*(x, y) \oplus f(y)]]$
 $= f(y)$. Thus, $\phi \rightrightarrows(\phi^\uparrow(f)) \leq f$.

(2) $\phi^\uparrow(\phi \rightrightarrows(f)) = \bigwedge_{y \in Y} [G_\phi^*(x, y) \oplus \phi \rightrightarrows(f)(y)]$
 $= \bigwedge_{y \in Y} [G_\phi^*(x, y) \oplus \bigvee_{z \in X} [G_\phi(z, y) \odot f(z)]]$
 $\geq \bigwedge_{y \in Y} [G_\phi^*(x, y) \oplus [G_\phi(x, y) \odot f(x)]]$
 $\geq \bigwedge_{y \in Y} [G_\phi^*(x, y) \vee [G_\phi(x, y) \odot f(x)]]$
 $= f(x)$. Thus $\phi^\uparrow(\phi \rightrightarrows(f)) \geq f$.

(3) Since ϕ is normalized, then there exists y_0 such that $G_\phi(x, y_0) = \top$. Let $x \in X$ and $f \in L^X$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \phi^\downarrow(\phi \rightrightarrows(\underline{\alpha}))(x) &= \bigvee_{y \in Y} [G_\phi(x, y) \odot \phi \rightrightarrows(\underline{\alpha})(y)] \\ &= \bigvee_{y \in Y} [G_\phi(x, y) \odot (\bigvee_{z \in X} [G_\phi(z, y) \odot \underline{\alpha}(z)])] \\ &= \bigvee_{y \in Y} [G_\phi(x, y) \odot ((\bigvee_{z \in X} G_\phi(z, y)) \odot \alpha)] \\ &= [(\bigvee_{y \in Y - \{y_0\}} (G_\phi(x, y) \odot \bigvee_{z \in X} G_\phi(z, y)) \vee (G_\phi(x, y_0) \odot \bigvee_{z \in X} G_\phi(z, y_0)))] \odot \alpha \\ &= (\bigvee_{y \in Y - \{y_0\}} (G_\phi(x, y) \odot \bigvee_{z \in X} G_\phi(z, y)) \vee \top) \odot \alpha \\ &= \top \odot \underline{\alpha}(x) = \underline{\alpha}(x). \end{aligned}$$

Definition 3.12 Let $\phi : X \rightarrow L^Y$ and $\psi : Y \rightarrow L^Z$ be two *L-FMM*'s. Then the composition $\psi \circ \phi$ is defined by

$$((\psi \circ \phi) \rightrightarrows_L(x))(z) = \bigvee_{y \in Y} [G_\phi(x, y) \odot G_\psi(y, z)].$$

Theorem 3.13 Let $\phi : X \rightarrow L^Y$ and $\psi : Y \rightarrow L^Z$ be two *L-FMM*'s. Then we have the following

- (1) $((\psi \circ \phi) \rightrightarrows_L) = \phi \rightrightarrows(\psi \rightrightarrows_L)$.
- (2) $((\psi \circ \phi) \uparrow_L) = \phi^\uparrow(\psi \uparrow_L)$.
- (3) $((\psi \circ \phi) \downarrow_L) = \phi^\downarrow(\psi \downarrow_L)$.

Proof (2) Let $x \in X$ and $f \in L^X$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} ((\psi \circ \phi) \uparrow_L) &= \bigwedge_{z \in Z} [(G_{\psi \circ \phi}(x, z))^* \oplus f(z)] \\ &= \bigwedge_{z \in Z} ((\psi \circ \phi) \rightrightarrows_L(x)(z))^* \oplus f(z) \\ &= \bigwedge_{z \in Z} ((\bigvee_{y \in Y} [G_\phi(x, y) \odot G_\psi(y, z)])^* \oplus f(z)) \\ &= \bigwedge_{z \in Z} \bigwedge_{y \in Y} [(G_\phi(x, y))^* \oplus (G_\psi(y, z))^*] \oplus f(z) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \bigwedge_{y \in Y} (G_\phi(x, y))^* \oplus [\bigwedge_{z \in Z} (G_\psi(y, z))^* \oplus f(z)] \\
&= \bigwedge_{y \in Y} (G_\phi(x, y))^* \oplus \psi_L^\uparrow(f)(y) \\
&= \phi^\uparrow(\psi_L^\uparrow(f))(x). \text{ Thus, } ((\psi \circ \phi)_L^\uparrow) = \phi^\uparrow(\psi_L^\uparrow). \\
(3) \text{ From Theorem 3.4(6), } &(\psi \circ \phi)_L^\downarrow(f) = ((\psi \circ \phi)_L^\uparrow(f^*))^* = (\phi^\uparrow(\psi_L^\uparrow(f^*)))^* = \\
&(\phi^\uparrow(\psi_L^\downarrow(f)))^* = \phi^\downarrow(\psi_L^\downarrow(f)).
\end{aligned}$$

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