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# ON THE SOLUTION OF SIMULTANEOUS LINEAR FUZZY EQUATIONS

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#### **ABSTRACT**

G. J. Klir and Bo Yuan [2] established a process of solving fuzzy equations of the form  $\tilde{A} + X = \tilde{B}$ , and  $\tilde{A} \cdot X = \tilde{B}$ , where  $\tilde{A}$  and  $\tilde{B}$  are fuzzy numbers in the form of closed intervals. On the basis of the procedure developed by them, the paper is addressed to the introduction of the solution of simultaneous linear fuzzy equations.

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Fuzzy numbers are close to a given real number or around a given interval of real numbers. To qualify as a fuzzy number, a fuzzy set  $\tilde{A}$  on R must be a normal fuzzy set, its  $\alpha$ -cut  $\tilde{A}\alpha$  must be a closed interval for every  $\alpha \in [0,1]$  and the support set  $O_{+\tilde{A}}$  must be bounded.

Each fuzzy number is uniquely determined by its  $\alpha$ -cut. So arithmetic operations +, -,  $\cdot$  and  $\div$  of fuzzy numbers mean the arithmetic operations on closed intervals.

We define

[a, b] + [d, e] = [a + d, b + e]  
[a, b] - [d, e] = [a - e, b - d]  
[a, b] • [d, e] = [min (ad, ae, bd, be), max (ad, ae, bd, be)]  
[a, b] ÷ [d, e] = [a, b] × 
$$[\frac{1}{d}, \frac{1}{e}]$$
  
=  $[\min\left(\frac{a}{d}, \frac{a}{e}, \frac{b}{d}, \frac{b}{e}\right), \max\left(\frac{a}{d}, \frac{a}{e}, \frac{b}{d}, \frac{b}{e}\right)]$   
Provided  $0 \notin [d, e]$  [2].

## 2. SOLUTION OF $\tilde{A} + X = \tilde{B}$ ; $\tilde{A} \cdot X = \tilde{B}$

In these fuzzy equations,  $X = \widetilde{\mathbf{B}} - \widetilde{A}$  and  $X = \frac{\widetilde{\mathbf{B}}}{\widetilde{A}}$  are not solutions like ordinary algebra, so  $\alpha$ -cut have been introduced like  $\widetilde{A}\alpha$ ,  $\widetilde{B}\alpha$ ,  $\widetilde{X}\alpha$  of  $\widetilde{A}$ ,  $\widetilde{B}$  and X, where  $X = [x_1, x_2]$  is a closed interval. Then solutions have been found by taking the interval equations  $\widetilde{A}\alpha + X\alpha = \widetilde{B}\alpha$  and  $\widetilde{A}\alpha \cdot X\alpha = \widetilde{B}\alpha$ , where  $x_1 \leq x_2$ 

When the solutions exist and the nested property  $\alpha \leq \beta \Rightarrow X \beta = X \alpha \text{ hold, Then } X = \bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} \alpha$ .  $X \alpha$  is the solution [2]

In this paper, we propose to develop the solution of simultaneous linear fuzzy equations.

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#### 3. SOLUTION OF SIMULTANEOUS LINEAR FUZZY EQUATIONS

Let 
$$\widetilde{A}X + \widetilde{B}Y = \widetilde{C}$$
 (1)  $\widetilde{D}X + \widetilde{E}Y = \widetilde{F}$ 

be simultaneous linear fuzzy equations where  $\widetilde{A}$ ,  $\widetilde{B}$ ,  $\widetilde{C}$ ,  $\widetilde{D}$ ,  $\widetilde{E}$ ,  $\widetilde{F}$  are fuzzy numbers in the form of closed intervals and their possible solutions X and Y will also be fuzzy numbers in the form of closed intervals  $X = [x_1, x_2], Y = [y_1, y_2].$ 

It is to be noted that the equations (1) do not have any solution like ordinary algebraic simultaneous equations

$$ax + by = c$$

and

having  $\left(\frac{ce-bf}{ae-bd}, \frac{cd-af}{bd-ae}\right)$  as their solution because if it is so, let  $\widetilde{A} = [a_1, a_2], \ \widetilde{B} = [b_1, b_2], \ \widetilde{C} = [c_1, c_2],$ 

$$\widetilde{D} = [d_1, d_2], \ \widetilde{E} = [e_1, e_2], \widetilde{F} = [f_1, f_2]$$

Then,  $\widetilde{\mathbf{A}}\mathbf{X} + \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}\mathbf{Y} = \widetilde{C}$  implies

$$[a_1, a_2] \cdot [x_1, x_2] + [b_1, b_2] \cdot [y_1, y_2] = [c_1, c_2]$$

or  $[\min(a_1x_1, a_1x_2, a_2x_1, a_2x_2), \max(a_1x_1, a_1x_2, a_2x_1, a_2x_2)] + [\min(b_1y_1, b_1y_2, b_2y_1, b_2y_2), \max(b_1y_1, b_1y_2, b_2y_1, b_2y_2)]$  $= [c_1, c_2]$ 

or 
$$[a_1x_1, a_2x_2] + [b_1y_1, b_2y_2] = [c_1, c_2]$$

because  $a_1 \le a_2$ ,  $x_1 \le x_2 \implies a_1x_1 \le a_1x_2 \le a_2x_1 \le a_2x_2$ 

and similarly  $b_1y_1 + b_1y_2 \le b_2y_1 \le b_2y_2$ 

or 
$$[a_1x_1 + b_1y_1, a_2x_2 + b_2y_2] = [c_1, c_2]$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $a_1x_1 + b_1y_1 = c_1$  ------(i)  $a_2x_2 + b_2y_2 = c_2$  -----(ii)

Like wise  $\widetilde{D}X + \widetilde{E}Y = \widetilde{F}$  implies

$$d_2x_2 + e_2y_2 = f_2$$
 ----- (iv)

Converting equations (1) to four simultaneous ordinary algebraic linear equations (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) instead of two.

So we introduce the  $\alpha$ -cut

$$\begin{split} \widetilde{A}\alpha &= [\ a_{1\alpha}, \, a_{2\alpha}], \ \widetilde{B}\alpha &= [\ b_{1\alpha}, \, b_{2\alpha}], \ \ \widetilde{C}\alpha = [\ c_{1\alpha}, \, c_{2\alpha}], \ \widetilde{D}\alpha &= [\ d_{1\alpha}, \, d_{2\alpha}], \ \ \widetilde{E}\alpha &= [\ e_{1\alpha}, \, e_{2\alpha}], \\ \widetilde{F}\alpha &= [\ f_{1\alpha}, \, f_{2\alpha}], \ X\alpha = [\ x_{1\alpha}, \, x_{2\alpha}], \ Y\alpha = [\ y_{1\alpha}, \, y_{2\alpha}] \ \ \text{of the fuzzy numbers.} \end{split}$$

Solving (i) and (iii) and that of (ii) and (iv) we have the values

$$x_1 = \frac{c_1 e_1 - b_1 f_1}{a_1 e_1 - b_1 d_1}, \quad y_1 = \frac{c_1 d_1 - a_1 f_1}{b_1 d_1 - a_1 e_1}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{c_2 e_2 - b_2 f_2}{a_2 e_2 - b_2 d_2}, \quad y_2 = \frac{c_2 d_2 - a_2 f_2}{b_2 d_2 - a_2 e_2}$$

$$\therefore x_1 \le x_2, y_1 \le y_2$$

So, 
$$\frac{c_1e_1 - b_1f_1}{a_1e_1 - b_1d_1} \le \frac{c_2e_2 - b_2f_2}{a_2e_2 - b_2d_2} - \frac{c_2e_2 - b_2f_2}{a_2e_2 - b_2d_2}$$

and 
$$\frac{c_1d_1 - a_1f_1}{b_1d_1 - a_1e_1} \le \frac{c_2d_2 - a_2f_2}{b_2d_2 - a_2e_2}$$

If we take the interval equations

$$X\alpha = \frac{\tilde{C}\alpha \cdot \tilde{E}\alpha - \tilde{B}\alpha \cdot \tilde{F}\alpha}{\tilde{A}\alpha \cdot \tilde{E}\alpha - \tilde{B}\alpha \cdot \tilde{D}\alpha}$$

$$Y\alpha = \frac{\tilde{C}\alpha \cdot \tilde{D}\alpha - \tilde{A}\alpha \cdot \tilde{F}\alpha}{\tilde{B}\alpha \cdot \tilde{D}\alpha - \tilde{A}\alpha \cdot \tilde{E}\alpha}$$
(2)

$$Y\alpha = \frac{\tilde{C}\alpha \cdot \tilde{D}\alpha - \tilde{A}\alpha \cdot \tilde{F}\alpha}{\tilde{B}\alpha \cdot \tilde{D}\alpha - \tilde{A}\alpha \cdot \tilde{F}\alpha}$$
(3)

Then

$$I \quad \frac{c_{1\alpha}e_{1\alpha}-b_{1\alpha}f_{1\alpha}}{a_{1\alpha}e_{1\alpha}-b_{1\alpha}d_{1\alpha}} \leq \frac{c_{2\alpha}e_{2\alpha}-b_{2\alpha}f_{2\alpha}}{a_{2\alpha}e_{2\alpha}-b_{2\alpha}d_{2\alpha}} \text{ and } \quad \frac{c_{1\alpha}d_{1\alpha}-a_{1\alpha}f_{1\alpha}}{b_{1\alpha}d_{1\alpha}-a_{1\alpha}e_{1\alpha}} \leq \frac{c_{2\alpha}d_{2\alpha}-a_{2\alpha}f_{2\alpha}}{b_{2\alpha}d_{2\alpha}-a_{2\alpha}e_{2\alpha}}$$
 are the required conditions for the solutions of (1).

$$\begin{split} \text{II} \quad & \frac{c_{1\alpha}e_{1\alpha} - b_{1\alpha}f_{1\alpha}}{a_{1\alpha}e_{1\alpha} - b_{1\alpha}d_{1\alpha}} \leq \frac{c_{1\beta}e_{1\beta} - b_{1\beta}f_{1\beta}}{a_{1\beta}e_{1\beta} - b_{1\beta}d_{1\beta}} \leq \frac{c_{2\beta}e_{2\beta} - b_{2\beta}f_{2\beta}}{a_{2\beta}e_{2\beta} - b_{2\beta}d_{2\beta}} \leq \frac{c_{2\alpha}e_{2\alpha} - b_{2\alpha}f_{2\alpha}}{a_{2\alpha}e_{2\alpha} - b_{2\alpha}d_{2\alpha}} \\ & \text{and} \quad & \frac{c_{1\alpha}d_{1\alpha} - a_{1\alpha}f_{1\alpha}}{b_{1\alpha}d_{1\alpha} - a_{1\alpha}e_{1\alpha}} \leq \frac{c_{1\beta}d_{1\beta} - a_{1\beta}f_{1\beta}}{b_{1\beta}d_{1\beta} - a_{1\beta}e_{1\beta}} \leq \dots \\ & \text{where ever } \quad & \alpha \leq \beta \end{split}$$

If the solution exist I is satisfied and if the next property II also holds, we say that  $X = \bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} \alpha \cdot X \alpha$ ,  $Y = \bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} \alpha \cdot Y \alpha$  is the solution of (1).

**Example 3.1:** Let  $\widetilde{A}$ ,  $\widetilde{B}$ ,  $\widetilde{C}$ ,  $\widetilde{D}$ ,  $\widetilde{E}$ ,  $\widetilde{F}$  be six fuzzy numbers given by

$$\widetilde{A}(x) = \begin{cases}
0 & \text{for } x \le 0, x > 2 \\
x & \text{for } 0 \lhd x \le 1 \\
2 - x & \text{for } 1 \lhd x \le 2
\end{cases}$$

$$\widetilde{B}(x) = \begin{cases}
0 & \text{for } x \le 1, x > 3 \\
x - 1 & \text{for } 1 \lhd x \le 2 \\
3 - x & \text{for } 2 \lhd x \le 3
\end{cases}$$

$$\widetilde{C}(x) = \begin{cases}
0 & \text{for } x \le 2, x > 4 \\
x - 2 & \text{for } 2 \lhd x \le 3 \\
4 - x & \text{for } 3 \lhd x \le 4
\end{cases}$$

$$\widetilde{D}(x) = \begin{cases}
0 & \text{for } x \le 3, x > 5 \\
x - 3 & \text{for } 3 \lhd x \le 4 \\
5 - x & \text{for } 4 \lhd x \le 5
\end{cases}$$

$$\widetilde{E}(x) = \begin{cases}
0 & \text{for } x \le 4, x > 6 \\
x - 4 & \text{for } 4 \lhd x \le 5 \\
6 - x & \text{for } 5 \lhd x \le 6
\end{cases}$$

$$\widetilde{F}(x) = \begin{cases}
0 & \text{for } x \le 5, x > 7 \\
x - 5 & \text{for } 5 \lhd x \le 6 \\
7 - x & \text{for } 6 \lhd x \le 7
\end{cases}$$

We intend to solve  $\tilde{A}X + \tilde{B}Y = \tilde{C}$  $\tilde{D}X + \tilde{E}Y = \tilde{F}$ 

**Solution:** The  $\alpha$ -cuts of the given fuzzy numbers are

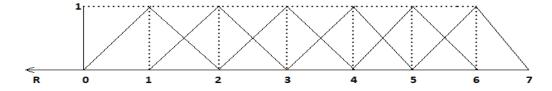


Figure-(a)

$$\begin{split} \widetilde{\mathbf{A}}\alpha &= [\alpha, 2 - \alpha] \\ \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}\alpha &= [\alpha + 1, 3 - \alpha] \\ \widetilde{C}\alpha &= [\alpha + 2, 4 - \alpha] \\ \widetilde{D}\alpha &= [\alpha + 3, 5 - \alpha] \\ \widetilde{\mathbf{E}}\alpha &= [\alpha + 4, 6 - \alpha] \\ \widetilde{F}\alpha &= [\alpha + 5, 7 - \alpha] \end{split}$$

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Now, 
$$\tilde{C}\alpha \cdot \tilde{E}\alpha - \tilde{B} \cdot \tilde{F}$$

$$= [\alpha + 2, 4 - \alpha] \cdot [\alpha + 4, 6 - \alpha] - [\alpha + 1, 3 - \alpha] \cdot [\alpha + 5, 7 - \alpha]$$

$$= [6\alpha - 13, -16\alpha + 19]$$
and  $\tilde{A}\alpha \cdot \tilde{E}\alpha - \tilde{B}\alpha \cdot \tilde{D}\alpha = [12\alpha - 15, -12\alpha + 9]$ 
by arithmetic operations '·' and '-'
$$\vdots \quad \text{By (2)},$$

$$X\alpha = \frac{[16\alpha - 13, -16\alpha + 19]}{[12\alpha - 15, -12\alpha + 9]}$$

$$= \left[ 16\alpha - 13, -16 + 19 \right] \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{12\alpha - 15}, \frac{1}{-12\alpha + 9} \right]$$

$$= \left[ \min\left\{ \frac{16\alpha - 13}{12\alpha - 15}, \frac{16\alpha - 13}{-12\alpha + 9}, \frac{-16\alpha + 19}{12\alpha - 15}, \frac{-16\alpha + 19}{-12\alpha + 9} \right\}, \max\left\{ \frac{16\alpha - 13}{12\alpha - 15}, \frac{16\alpha - 13}{-12\alpha + 9}, \frac{-16\alpha + 19}{12\alpha - 15}, \frac{-16\alpha + 19}{-12\alpha + 9} \right\} \right]$$

$$= \left[ \frac{16\alpha - 13}{-12\alpha + 9}, \frac{-16\alpha + 19}{-12\alpha + 9} \right], \text{ by arithmetic operation } \div$$

The range of which is  $\left[\frac{-13}{9}, \frac{19}{9}\right]$ ,  $(\alpha = 0)$ 

$$\therefore X(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & for \ x \le \frac{-13}{9}, x > \frac{19}{9} \\ \frac{13+9x}{16+12x} & for \ \frac{-13}{9} < x \le -1 \\ \frac{9x-19}{-16+12x} & for \ -1 < x \le \frac{19}{9} \end{cases}$$

 $\therefore$  X =  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} \alpha \cdot X_{\alpha}$  is triangular shaped fuzzy number given by

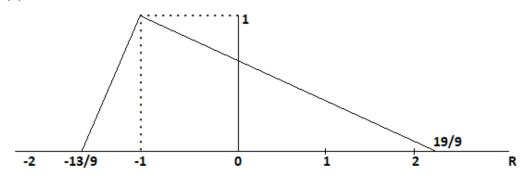


Figure-(b)

Again,

$$\widetilde{C}\alpha \cdot \widetilde{D}\alpha - \widetilde{A}\alpha \cdot \widetilde{F}\alpha = [14\alpha - 8, -14\alpha + 20]$$
  
$$\widetilde{B}\alpha \cdot \widetilde{D}\alpha - \widetilde{A}\alpha \cdot \widetilde{E}\alpha = [12\alpha - 9, -12\alpha + 15]$$

as previous process

$$\therefore \text{ By (3)}, 
Y\alpha = \frac{[14\alpha - 8, -14\alpha + 20]}{[12\alpha - 9, -12\alpha + 15]} 
= \left[14\alpha - 8, -14\alpha + 20\right] \left[\frac{1}{12\alpha - 9}, \frac{1}{-12\alpha + 15}\right] 
= \left[\min\left\{\frac{14\alpha - 8}{12\alpha - 9}, \frac{14\alpha - 8}{-12\alpha + 15}, \frac{-14\alpha + 20}{12\alpha - 9}, \frac{-14\alpha + 20}{-12\alpha + 15}\right\}, \max\left\{\frac{14\alpha - 8}{12\alpha - 9}, \frac{14\alpha - 8}{-12\alpha + 15}, \frac{-14\alpha + 20}{12\alpha - 9}, \frac{-14\alpha + 20}{-12\alpha + 15}\right\}\right] 
= \left[\frac{-14\alpha + 20}{12\alpha - 9}, \frac{-14\alpha + 20}{-12\alpha + 15}\right]$$

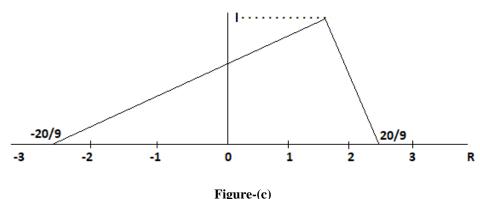
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When  $\alpha = 0$ ,  $\frac{-20}{9}$  to  $\frac{4}{3}$  is the range. But since  $\left[\frac{-20}{9}, \frac{4}{3}\right]$  is contained in  $\left[\frac{-20}{9}, \frac{20}{9}\right]$ . we may take the later as the

range [5] Thus

$$Y(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & for \ x \le \frac{-20}{9}, x > \frac{20}{9} \\ \frac{20+9x}{14+12x} & for \quad \frac{-20}{9} < x \le 2 \\ \frac{15x-20}{12x-14} & for \quad 2 < x \le \frac{20}{9} \end{cases}$$

 $\therefore Y = \bigcup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} \alpha \cdot Y \alpha \text{ is a triangular shaped fuzzy number.}$ 



#### 4. JUSTIFICATION OF THE SOLUTION

As fuzzy numbers are close to a given real numbers or around a given interval of real numbers, we can say that the fuzzy numbers  $\widetilde{A}$ ,  $\widetilde{B}$ ,  $\widetilde{C}$ ,  $\widetilde{D}$ ,  $\widetilde{E}$ ,  $\widetilde{F}$  are around the intervals [0, 2], [1, 3], [2, 4], [3, 4], [4, 6], [5, 7] fig.— (a) indicating the central valued crisp real numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.

So, if the Co-efficient of the equations (1) be respectively these crisp real numbers then simultaneous ordinary equations

$$X + 2Y = 3$$
$$4X + 5Y = 6$$

Have their solutions X = -1, Y = 2 which are also crisp real numbers around the intervals  $\left[\frac{-13}{9}, \frac{19}{9}\right]$  and  $\left[\frac{-20}{9}, \frac{20}{9}\right]$  as shows in figure (b) and (c) respectively.

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