

## Corrigendum to "On $(L, M)$ -Fuzzy Convex Structures"

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we point out that the proof of Theorem 2.4(5), Proposition 2.6(1) and Proposition 2.8(1) in the paper titled "On  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convex structures" (Filomat 33(13): 4151-4163, 2019) are not true in general. Then, we give three correct proofs of these results.

### 1. Introduction

Sayed et al.[4] defined a new class of  $L$ -fuzzy sets called  $r$ - $L$ -fuzzy biconvex sets in  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convex structures. The transformation method between  $L$ -fuzzy hull operators and  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convex structures were introduced, and a characterization of the product of the  $L$ -fuzzy hull operator was obtained. The aim of this article is to correct some errors in the proof of Theorem 2.4(5), Proposition 2.6(1) and Proposition 2.8(1) proposed by Sayed et al. ([4]).

### 2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, let  $X$  be a non-empty set, both  $L$  and  $M$  be two completely distributive lattices with order reversing involution  $'$  where  $\perp_M (\perp_L)$  and  $\top_M (\top_L)$  denote the least and the greatest elements in  $M(L)$  respectively, and  $M_{\perp_M} = M - \{\perp_M\}$  ( $L_{\perp_L} = L - \{\perp_L\}$ ). Recall that an order-reversing involution  $'$  on  $L$  is a map  $(-)' : L \rightarrow L$  such that for any  $a, b \in L$ , the following conditions hold: (1)  $a \leq b$  implies  $b' \leq a'$ . (2)  $a'' = a$ . The following properties hold for any subset  $\{b_i : i \in I\} \in L$ : (1)  $(\bigvee_{i \in I} b_i)' = \bigwedge_{i \in I} b_i'$ ; (2)  $(\bigwedge_{i \in I} b_i)' = \bigvee_{i \in I} b_i'$ . An  $L$ -fuzzy subset of  $X$  is a mapping  $\mu : X \rightarrow L$  and the family  $L^X$  denoted the set of all fuzzy subsets of a given  $X$  ([1]). The least and the greatest elements in  $L^X$  are denoted by  $\chi_\emptyset$  and  $\chi_X$ , respectively. For each  $\alpha \in L$ , let  $\underline{\alpha}$  denote the constant  $L$ -fuzzy subset of  $X$  with the value  $\alpha$ . The complementation of a fuzzy subset are defined as  $\mu'(x) = (\mu(x))'$  for all  $x \in X$ , (e.g.  $\mu'(x) = 1 - \mu(x)$  in the case of  $L = [0, 1]$ ). We say  $\{\mu_i : i \in \Gamma\}$  is a directed (resp. co-directed) subset of  $L^X$ , in symbols  $\{\mu_i : i \in \Gamma\} \stackrel{dir}{\subseteq} L^X$  (resp.  $\{\mu_i : i \in \Gamma\} \stackrel{cdir}{\subseteq} L^X$ ) if

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for each  $\mu_1, \mu_2 \in \{\mu_i : i \in \Gamma\}$ , there exists  $\mu_3 \in \{\mu_i : i \in \Gamma\}$  such that  $\mu_1, \mu_2 \leq \mu_3$  (resp.  $\mu_1, \mu_2 \geq \mu_3$ ). An element  $a \neq \perp_M$  in a lattice is called coprime if  $a \leq b \vee c$  implies  $a \leq b$  or  $a \leq c$  for all  $b, c \in M$ . Further,  $a$  is said to be join-irreducible if  $a = b \vee c$  implies  $a = b$  or  $a = c$  for all  $b, c \in M$ . The set of all coprime elements (resp. join-irreducible elements) of  $M$  is denoted  $\text{Copr}(M)$  (resp.  $J(M)$ ). It can be verified that if  $M$  is distributive, then  $a \in M$  is coprime iff it is join-irreducible, which means  $\text{Copr}(M) = J(M)$ . So, for convenience, we usually use  $J(M)$  to stand for the set of all coprime elements of  $M$  if  $M$  is distributive. If  $M$  is a completely distributive lattice and  $x \triangleleft \bigvee_{t \in T} y_t$ , then there must be  $t^* \in T$  such that  $x \triangleleft y_{t^*}$  (here  $x \triangleleft a$  means:  $K \subset M, a \leq \bigvee K \Rightarrow \exists y \in K$  such that  $x \leq y$ ), and for each  $b \in M, b = \bigvee \{a \in M : a \triangleleft b\} = \bigvee \{a \in J(M) : a \triangleleft b\}$ . Some more properties of  $\triangleleft$  can be found in [2] and [6].

First, we recall two definitions which will be used in this paper.

**Definition 2.1.** ([5]) The pair  $(X, C)$  is called an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convex structure ( $(L, M)$ -fcs, for short), where  $C : L^X \rightarrow M$  satisfying the following axioms:

(LMC1)  $C(\underline{0}) = C(\underline{1}) = \tau_M$ .

(LMC2) If  $\{\mu_i : i \in \Gamma\} \subseteq L^X$  is nonempty, then

$$C\left(\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i\right) \geq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} C(\mu_i).$$

(LMC3) If  $\{\mu_i : i \in \Gamma\} \subseteq L^X$  is nonempty and totally ordered by inclusion, then

$$C\left(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i\right) \geq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} C(\mu_i).$$

The mapping  $C$  is called an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convexity on  $X$  and  $C(\mu)$  can be regarded as the degree to which  $\mu$  is an  $L$ -convex fuzzy set.

**Definition 2.2.** ([3]) Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ . Then the image  $f^{\rightarrow}(\mu)$  of  $\mu \in L^X$  and the preimage  $f^{\leftarrow}(v)$  of  $v \in L^Y$  are defined by:

$$f^{\rightarrow}(\mu)(y) = \bigvee \{\mu(x) : x \in X, f(x) = y\}$$

and  $f^{\leftarrow}(v) = v \circ f$ , respectively. It can be verified that the pair  $(f^{\rightarrow}, f^{\leftarrow})$  is a Galois connection on  $(L^X, \leq)$  and  $(L^Y, \leq)$ .

Next, we recall Theorem 2.4, Proposition 2.6 and Proposition 2.8 of [4] as follows.

**Theorem 2.3.** ([4, Theorem 2.4]) Let  $(X, C)$  be an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convex structure. For each  $\mu \in L^X$  and  $r \in M_{\perp_M}$ , we define a mapping  $CO_C : L^X \times M_{\perp_M} \rightarrow L^X$  as follows:

$$CO_C(\mu, r) = \bigwedge \{v \in L^X : \mu \leq v, C(v) \geq r\}.$$

For  $\mu, v \in L^X$  and  $r, s \in M_{\perp_M}$  the operator  $CO_C$  satisfies the following conditions:

- (1)  $CO_C(\underline{0}, r) = \underline{0}$ .
- (2)  $\mu \leq CO_C(\mu, r)$ .
- (3) If  $\mu \leq v$ , then  $CO_C(\mu, r) \leq CO_C(v, r)$ .
- (4) If  $r \leq s$ , then  $CO_C(\mu, r) \leq CO_C(\mu, s)$ .
- (5)  $CO_C(CO_C(\mu, r), r) = CO_C(\mu, r)$ .
- (6) For  $\{\mu_i : i \in \Gamma\} \subseteq L^X$  is nonempty and totally ordered by inclusion,

$$CO_C\left(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i, r\right) = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} CO_C(\mu_i, r).$$

A mapping  $CO_C$  is called  $L$ -fuzzy hull operator.

**Proposition 2.4.** ([4, Proposition 2.6(1)]) Let  $(X, C_1, C_2)$  be an  $(L, M)$ -fbc. For each  $r \in M_{\perp M}$  and  $\mu \in L^X$ , a mapping  $C_{CO_{12}} : L^X \rightarrow M$  is defined as follows

$$C_{CO_{12}}(\mu) = \bigvee \{r \in M_{\perp M} : \mu = CO_{12}(\mu, r)\},$$

where  $CO_{12}(\mu, r) = CO_{C_1}(\mu, r) \wedge CO_{C_2}(\mu, r)$  satisfies the conditions (1)-(6) of Theorem 2.3 (see [4]). Then  $C_{CO_{12}}$  is an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convexity on  $X$ .

**Proposition 2.5.** ([4, Proposition 2.8]) Let  $(X, C)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{D})$  be  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convex structures. Then  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is

- (1) An  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convexity preserving function if and only if  $f^\rightarrow(CO_C(\mu, r)) \leq CO_{\mathcal{D}}(f^\rightarrow(\mu), r)$  for all  $\mu \in L^X$  and  $r \in M_{\perp M}$ .
- (2) An  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convex-to-convex function if and only if  $CO_{\mathcal{D}}(f^\rightarrow(\mu), r) \leq f^\rightarrow(CO_C(\mu, r))$  for all  $\mu \in L^X$  and  $r \in M_{\perp M}$ .

### 3. Main Results

First, we point out that the proof of Theorem 2.4(5), Proposition 2.6(1) and Proposition 2.8(1) are not true in general (see [4]). Here is why:

Notice that  $L (M)$  is a completely distributive lattice, not a unit interval  $[0,1]$ . So, if  $a \not\leq b$ , it doesn't imply  $a > b$ . Because there exists another case that  $a$  and  $b$  may be not comparable, i.e.,  $a \parallel b$ .

Now, we provide three correct proofs of these results as follows.

**Proposition 3.1.** ([4, Theorem 2.4(5)]) Let  $(X, C)$  be an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convex structure. For each  $\mu \in L^X$  and  $r \in M_{\perp M}$ , we define a mapping  $CO_C : L^X \times M_{\perp M} \rightarrow L^X$  as follows:

$$CO_C(\mu, r) = \bigwedge \{v \in L^X : \mu \leq v, C(v) \geq r\}.$$

Then

$$CO_C(CO_C(\mu, r), r) = CO_C(\mu, r).$$

*Proof.* For all  $\mu \in L^X$  and  $r \in M_{\perp M}$ . By the definition of  $CO_C(\mu, r)$ , we have  $\mu \leq CO_C(\mu, r)$ . Hence,  $CO_C(CO_C(\mu, r), r) \geq CO_C(\mu, r)$ .

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} CO_C(CO_C(\mu, r), r) &= CO_C\left(\bigwedge \{v \in L^X : \mu \leq v, C(v) \geq r\}, r\right) \\ &\leq \bigwedge_{\mu \leq v, C(v) \geq r} CO_C(v, r) \\ &= \bigwedge_{\mu \leq v, C(v) \geq r} \bigwedge_{v \leq \omega, C(\omega) \geq r} \omega \\ &= \bigwedge_{\mu \leq \omega, C(\omega) \geq r} \omega \\ &= CO_C(\mu, r). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $CO_C(CO_C(\mu, r), r) = CO_C(\mu, r)$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.2.** ([4, Proposition 2.6(1)]) Let  $(X, C_1, C_2)$  be an  $(L, M)$ -fbc. For each  $r \in M_{\perp M}$  and  $\mu \in L^X$ , a mapping  $C_{CO_{12}} : L^X \rightarrow M$  is defined as follows

$$C_{CO_{12}}(\mu) = \bigvee \{r \in M_{\perp M} : \mu = CO_{12}(\mu, r)\}.$$

Then  $C_{CO_{12}}$  is an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convexity on  $X$ .

*Proof.* (LMC1) Since for all  $r \in M_{\perp M}$ ,  $CO_{12}(\underline{1}, r) \geq \underline{1}$  and  $CO_{12}(\underline{0}, r) = \underline{0}$ , we have

$$C_{CO_{12}}(\underline{0}) = C_{CO_{12}}(\underline{1}) = \tau_M.$$

(LMC2) Suppose that  $b \in M$  and  $b \triangleleft \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} C_{CO_{12}}(\mu_i)$ . Then  $b \triangleleft C_{CO_{12}}(\mu_i)$  for all  $i \in \Gamma$ . There exists  $r_0^i \in M_{\perp M}$  such that  $\mu_i = CO_{12}(\mu_i, r_0^i)$  and  $b \triangleleft r_0^i$  (thus  $b \leq r_0^i$ ). Put  $r_0 = \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} r_0^i$ , then  $b \leq r_0$ . Since  $CO_{12}$  satisfies the conditions (1)-(6) of Theorem 2.3, we have  $CO_{12}(\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i, r_0) \leq CO_{12}(\mu_i, r_0^i)$  for all  $i \in \Gamma$ . Then it follows that

$$CO_{12}(\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i, r_0) \leq CO_{12}(\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i, r_0) \leq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} CO_{12}(\mu_i, r_0^i) = \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i.$$

On the other hand, by Theorem 2.3 (2), we have

$$CO_{12}(\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i, r_0) \geq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i.$$

So, we obtain

$$CO_{12}(\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i, r_0) = \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i.$$

By the definition of  $C_{CO_{12}}(\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i)$ , we obtain  $C_{CO_{12}}(\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i) \geq r_0 \geq b$ . Hence

$$C_{CO_{12}}(\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i) \geq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} C_{CO_{12}}(\mu_i).$$

(LMC3) Let  $\{\mu_i : i \in \Gamma\} \stackrel{cdir}{\subseteq} L^X$ . Suppose that  $b \in M$  and  $b \triangleleft \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} C_{CO_{12}}(\mu_i)$ . Then  $b \triangleleft C_{CO_{12}}(\mu_i)$  for all  $i \in \Gamma$ . There exists  $r_0^i \in M_{\perp M}$  such that  $\mu_i = CO_{12}(\mu_i, r_0^i)$  and  $b \triangleleft r_0^i$  (thus  $b \leq r_0^i$ ). Put  $r_0 = \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} r_0^i$ , then  $b \leq r_0$ . By Theorem 2.3 (6), we have

$$\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i \leq CO_{12}(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i, r_0) \leq CO_{12}(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i, r_0) = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} CO_{12}(\mu_i, r_0^i) = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i.$$

So, we obtain

$$CO_{12}(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i, r_0) = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i.$$

By the definition of  $C_{CO_{12}}(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i)$ , we obtain  $C_{CO_{12}}(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i) \geq r_0 \geq b$ . Hence  $C_{CO_{12}}(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \mu_i) \geq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} C_{CO_{12}}(\mu_i)$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.3.** ([4, Proposition 2.8(1)]) *Let  $(X, C)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{D})$  be  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convex structures. Then  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convexity preserving function if and only if  $f^{\rightarrow}(CO_C(\mu, r)) \leq CO_{\mathcal{D}}(f^{\rightarrow}(\mu), r)$  for all  $\mu \in L^X$  and  $r \in M_{\perp M}$ .*

*Proof.* ( $\implies$ ) Since  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convexity preserving function, we obtain  $C(f^{\leftarrow}(\omega)) \geq \mathcal{D}(\omega)$  for all  $\omega \in L^Y$ . So, for each  $r \in M_{\perp M}$  and  $\mu \in L^X$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} f^{\leftarrow}[CO_{\mathcal{D}}(f^{\rightarrow}(\mu), r)] &= f^{\leftarrow} \left[ \bigwedge \left\{ \omega \in L^Y : f^{\rightarrow}(\mu) \leq \omega, \mathcal{D}(\omega) \geq r \right\} \right] \\ &= \bigwedge \left\{ f^{\leftarrow}(\omega) \in L^X : f^{\rightarrow}(\mu) \leq \omega, \mathcal{D}(\omega) \geq r \right\} \\ &\geq \bigwedge \left\{ f^{\leftarrow}(\omega) \in L^X : \mu \leq f^{\leftarrow}(\omega), C(f^{\leftarrow}(\omega)) \geq r \right\} \\ &\geq \bigwedge \left\{ v \in L^X : \mu \leq v, C(v) \geq r \right\} = CO_C(\mu, r). \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$f^{\rightarrow}(CO_C(\mu, r)) \leq f^{\rightarrow} f^{\leftarrow}[CO_{\mathcal{D}}(f^{\rightarrow}(\mu), r)] \leq CO_{\mathcal{D}}(f^{\rightarrow}(\mu), r).$$

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Suppose that  $b \in J(M)$  and  $b \triangleleft \mathcal{D}(\omega)$  for all  $\omega \in L^Y$ , then  $b \leq \mathcal{D}(\omega)$ . So,

$$f^{\rightarrow}(CO_C(f^{\leftarrow}(\omega), b)) \leq CO_{\mathcal{D}}(f^{\rightarrow}(f^{\leftarrow}(\omega)), b) \leq CO_{\mathcal{D}}(\omega, b) = \omega.$$

It follows that

$$f^{\leftarrow}(\omega) \leq CO_C(f^{\leftarrow}(\omega), b) \leq f^{\leftarrow}(\omega).$$

Therefore,  $CO_C(f^{\leftarrow}(\omega), b) = f^{\leftarrow}(\omega)$ . Furthermore,

$$C(f^{\leftarrow}(\omega)) = C(CO_C(f^{\leftarrow}(\omega), b)) = C\left(\bigwedge \{v \in L^X : f^{\leftarrow}(\omega) \leq v, C(v) \geq b\}\right) \geq \bigwedge_{f^{\leftarrow}(\omega) \leq v, C(v) \geq b} C(v) \geq b.$$

Hence  $C(f^{\leftarrow}(\omega)) \geq \mathcal{D}(\omega)$  and  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is an  $(L, M)$ -fuzzy convexity preserving function.  $\square$

#### 4. Conclusion

In this paper, we point out that the proof of Theorem 2.4(5), Proposition 2.6(1) and Proposition 2.8(1) in [4] are incorrect, and then, we present the modified versions.

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