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# **Circulant Interval Valued Fuzzy Matrices**

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*Abstract.* Circulant matrix is a square matrix whose rows are obtained by cyclically rotating by its first row. In this paper, we define some operations on circulant interval valued fuzzy matrices (CIVFMs). Some elementary operators on circulant interval valued fuzzy matrices (CIVFMs) are presented here. The idea of reflexive, symmetric, transitive, determinant and adjoint of circulant interval valued fuzzy matrices (CIVFMs) are also defined.

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#### **1. Introduction**

The concept of fuzzy set was introduced by Zadeh [17] in 1965. Fuzzy Matrix (FM) is a very important topic in Fuzzy Algebra. In FM, the elements belongs to the interval [0,1]. When the elements of FM are subintervals of the unit interval [0,1], then the FM is known as interval - valued Fuzzy Matrix(IVFM).

Thomason [16] defined fuzzy Matrices for the first time in 1977 and discussed about the convergence of the powers of fuzzy matrix. Several authors presented number of results on the convergence of power sequence of fuzzy matrices [3, 6]. Ragab and Emam [12] presented some properties on determinant and adjoint of square fuzzy matrix. Ragab and Emam [13] introduced some properties of the min-max composition of fuzzy matrix. Kim [5] investigated some important results on determinant of a square fuzzy matrices.

Pal [9,19] introduced the concept of interval-valued fuzzy matrices with intervalvalued fuzzy rows and columns. Shyamal and Pal [14,15,18] introduced two new operators and applications of fuzzy matrices. Bhowmik and Pal [2,20] introduced the concept of circulant triangular fuzzy number matrices (TFNMs) and some result on TNFMs. Hemasinha, Pal and Bezdek [4] studies the max-min iterates of fuzzy circulant matrices.

In this paper, the concept of circulant interval -valued fuzzy matrices (CIVFMs) are defined with some of its properties. The determinant, some binary operations on circulant

interval -valued fuzzy matrix are defined and some important theorems are proved with examples.

#### 2. Circulant interval valued fuzzy matrices

**Definition 2.1.** [14] An m×n matrix  $A = [a_{ij}]$  whose components are in the unit interval [0, 1] is called a fuzzy matrix.

**Definition 2.2.** The determinant |A| of an  $m \times n$  fuzzy matrix A is defined as follows;  $|A| = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} a_{1\sigma(1)} a_{2\sigma(2)} \dots \dots a_{n\sigma(n)}$  where  $S_n$  denotes the symmetric group of all permutations of the indices  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ .

**Definition 2.3.** [9] An interval-valued fuzzy matrix(IVFM) of order m×n is defined as  $A = (a_{ij})_{m \times n}$  where  $a_{ij} = [a_{ijL}, a_{ijU}]$  is the  $ij^{th}$  element of A represents the membership value. All the elements of an IVFM are intervals and all the intervals are the subintervals of the interval [0, 1].

**Definition 2.4.** [12] The interval-valued fuzzy determinant (IVFD) of an IVFM A of order  $n \times n$  is denoted by |A| or det(A) and we defined as

 $|A| = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} a_{1\sigma(1)} a_{2\sigma(2)} \dots \dots \dots a_{n\sigma(n)} = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \prod_{i=1}^n a_{i\sigma(i)}.$ where  $a_{i\sigma(i)} = [a_{i\sigma(i)L}, a_{i\sigma(i)U}]$  and  $S_n$  denotes the symmetric group of all permutations of the indices  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}.$ 

**Definition 2.5.** [2] An Interval Valued Fuzzy Matrix (IVFM) *A* is said to be circulant interval valued fuzzy matrix if all the elements of *A* can be determined completely by its first row.

The first row of *A* is  $[[a_{1L}, a_{1U}] \quad [a_{2L}, a_{2U}] \dots [a_{nL}, a_{nU}]]$ Then any element  $a_{ij} = [a_{ijL}, a_{ijU}]$  of *A* can be determined (throughout the element of the first row) as  $a_{ij} = a_{1(n-i+j+1)}$  with  $a_{1(n+k)} = a_{1k}$ A circulant IVFM is of the form

 $A = \begin{bmatrix} [a_{1L}, a_{1U}] & [a_{2L}, a_{2U}] \dots \dots & \dots \dots & [a_{nL}, a_{nU}] \\ [a_{nL}, a_{nU}] & [a_{1L}, a_{1U}] \dots \dots & [a_{(n-1)L}, a_{(n-1)U}] \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ [a_{3L}, a_{3U}] & [a_{4L}, a_{4U}] \dots \dots \dots & [a_{2L}, a_{2U}] \\ [a_{2L}, a_{2U}] & [a_{3L}, a_{3U}] \dots \dots & [a_{1L}, a_{1U}] \end{bmatrix}.$ 

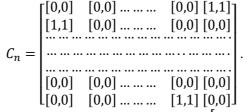
**Remark 2.1.** An IVFM *A* is circulant if and only if

 $[a_{ijL}, a_{ijU}] = [a_{(k \oplus i)(k \oplus j)L}, a_{(k \oplus i)(k \oplus j)U}], \text{ for every } i, j, k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}, \text{ where } \oplus \text{ is sum modulo n. Here all the diagonal elements are equal.}$ 

**Remark 2.2.** For a circulant IVFM *A* we notice that  $[a_{inL}, a_{inU}] = [a_{(i\oplus 1)1L}, a_{(i\oplus 1)1U}]$ and  $[a_{njL}, a_{njU}] = [a_{1(j\oplus 1)L}, a_{1(j\oplus 1)U}]$ , for every *i*,  $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . **Remark 2.3.** For a circulant IVFM A we notice that

 $\left[a_{(i\oplus(n-1))j\,L,}\,a_{(i\oplus(n-1))j\,U}\right] = \left[a_{i(j\oplus1)L},\,a_{i(j\oplus1)}\,a_{i(j\oplus1)U}\right] \text{ for every } i,\,j\in\{1,2,1\}$  $\ldots n$ }.

**Theorem 2.1.** An  $n \times n$  IVFM A is circulant if and only if  $AC_n = C_n A$ , where  $C_n$  is the permutation matrix of IVFM.



**Proof:** Let A be an IVFM and  $X = AC_n$ , then  $x_{ij} = [x_{ijL}, x_{ijU}] = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik}c_{kj}$ In the first row, only  $c_{1n}$  is [1,1] and all the other elements are [0,0]. Therefore we get  $x_{ij} = a_{1(j \oplus 1)}$ . Let  $Y = C_n A$ , then  $y_{ij} = [y_{ijL}, y_{ijU}] = \sum_{k=1}^n c_{ik} a_{kj} = a_{(i \oplus (n-1))j}$ . By remark (2.3),  $x_{ij} = y_{ij}$  for all  $i, j \in \{1, 2, ..., n\}$ . Hence  $C_n = C_n A$ . Therefore we get A is circulant IVFM. The converse is straightforward.

**Example 2.1.** Let A and C are two circulant IVFM of order 3×3, where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} [.3, .6] & [.7, .8] & [.4, .8] \\ [.4, .8] & [.3, .6] & [.7, .8] \\ [.7, .8] & [.4, .8] & [.3, .6] \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } C = \begin{bmatrix} [0, 0] & [0, 0] & [1, 1] \\ [1, 1] & [0, 0] & [0, 0] \\ [0, 0] & [1, 1] & [0, 0] \end{bmatrix}.$$
  
Then  $CA = \begin{bmatrix} [.7, .8] & [.4, .8] & [.3, .6] \\ [.3, .6] & [.7, .8] & [.4, .8] \\ [.4, .8] & [.3, .6] & [.7, .8] \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } AC = \begin{bmatrix} [.7, .8] & [.4, .8] & [.3, .6] \\ [.3, .6] & [.7, .8] & [.4, .8] \\ [.4, .8] & [.3, .6] & [.7, .8] \end{bmatrix}$   
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**Theorem 2.2.** For the circulant IVFM A and B, i) A + B is a circulant IVFM. ii) A' is a circulant IVFM, *iii*) AB is also a circulant IVFM. In particular  $A^k$  is also a circulant IVFM.

**Proof:** i) Proof is straight forward

ii) Since A is circulant IVFM, then A commetes with  $C_n$ .

Therefore we get  $AC_n = C_n A$ . Transpossing both sides, we get  $C'_n A' = A'C'_n$ . Premultiply by  $C_n$ , we get  $C_n C'_n A' = C_n A'C'_n \Rightarrow A' = C_n A'C'_n$ Postmultiply by  $C_n$ , we get  $A'C_n = C_n A'C'_n C_n = C_n A'$ . Hence  $A'C_n = C_n A'$ .

By theorem 2.1, we have A' is circulant IVFM.

iii) Since A and B are circulant IVFM, each of A and B commutes with  $C_n$ .

Hence AB commutes with  $C_n$ . By remark 2.3 and theorem 2.1 we get AB is circulant IVFM.

Similarly  $A^k$  is circulant IVFM.

iv) Since A and A' are circulant IVFM. By remark 2.3 AA' commutes with  $C_n$ .

Hence, A A' is circulant IVFM.

**Theorem 2.3.** If *A* and *B* are circulant IVFM then AB = BA. **Proof:** Let AB = X and  $x_{ij} = [x_{ijL}, x_{ijU}]$ , for  $i, j \in \{1, 2, ..., n\}$ , Let BA = Y and  $y_{ij} = [y_{ijL}, y_{ijU}]$ , for  $i, j \in \{1, 2, ..., n\}$ Then both *X* and *Y* are circulant, by theorem 2.2(iii) and their first rows are  $[[x_{1L}, x_{1U}] \quad [x_{2L}, x_{2U}]$ .....  $[x_{nL}, x_{nU}]$  and  $[y_{2L}, y_{2U}]$ .....  $[y_{nL}, y_{nU}]$  respectively. Then  $K^{\text{th}}$  element of the first row of *X* is,  $x_k = [x_{kL}, x_{kU}] = \sum_{p=1}^k [a_{pL}, a_{pU}][b_{(k-p+1)L}, b_{(k-p+1)U}]$   $+ \sum_{p=k+1}^n [a_{pL}, a_{pU}][b_{(n-p+k+1)L}, b_{(n-p+k+1)U}]$   $= [a_{1L}, a_{1U}][b_{kL}, b_{kU}] + [a_{2L}, a_{2U}][b_{(k-1)L}, b_{(k-1)U}] + .......$  $+ [a_{(k-1)L}, a_{(k-1)U}][b_{2L}, b_{2U}] + [a_{kL}, a_{kU}][b_{1L}, b_{1U}] + [a_{(k+1)L}, a_{(k+1)U}][b_{nL}, b_{nU}] + ......[a_{nL}, a_{nU}][b_{(k+1)L}, b_{(k+1)U}]$ 

 $K^{\text{th}}$  element of the first row of Y is,

$$y_{k} = [y_{kL}, y_{kU}] = \sum_{p=1}^{n} [b_{pL}, b_{pU}][a_{(k-p+1)L}, a_{(k-p+1)U}] + \sum_{p=k+1}^{n} [b_{pL}, b_{pU}][a_{(n-p+k+1)L}, a_{(n-p+k+1)U}] = [b_{1L}, b_{1U}][a_{kL}, a_{kU}] + [b_{2L}, b_{2U}][a_{(k-1)L}, a_{(k-1)U}] + \dots + [b_{(k-1)L}, b_{(k-1)U}][a_{2L}, a_{2U}] + [b_{kL}, b_{kU}][a_{1L}, a_{1U}] + [b_{(k+1)L}, b_{(k+1)U}][a_{nL}, a_{nU}] + \dots [b_{nL}, b_{nU}][a_{(k+1)L}, a_{(k+1)U}]$$

Hence, we get  $x_k = y_k$ . ie.,  $x_{ij} = y_{ij}$ . ie., X = Y. Therefore we have AB = BA.

**Theorem 2.4.** If a circulant IVFM *A* is circulant, then *DA* is symmetric, where *D* is a permutation matrix of unit circulant IVFM.

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} [0,0] & [0,0] \dots \dots & [0,0] & [1,1] \\ [0,0] & [0,0] \dots & [1,1] & [0,0] \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & [1,1] & [0,0] \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ [0,0] & [1,1] \dots & \dots & [0,0] & [0,0] \\ [1,1] & [0,0] \dots & \dots & [0,0] & [0,0] \end{bmatrix}$$
**Proof:** Let  $M = DA$ , then  $m_{ij} = [m_{ijL}, m_{ijU}] = \sum_{k=1}^{n} d_{ik}a_{kj}$ 

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{n} [d_{ikL}, d_{ikU}][a_{kjL}, a_{kjU}] \text{ for all } i, j \in 1, 2, \dots, n\}$$

Now, *D* is permutation matrix of unit circulant IVFM and only the elements  $d_{1n}, d_{2(n-1)}, d_{3(n-2)}, \dots, d_{n1}$ , are [1, 1] and all other elements are [0, 0]. Then  $m_{ij} = [a_{(n-i+1)jL}, a_{(n-i+1)jU}]$ .Since *A* is circulant, we get  $m_{ij} = a_{(n-i+1)j} = a_{((n-i+1)\oplus k)(k+j)}$ , for all  $i, j, k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

When 
$$k = i$$
,  $m_{ij} = a_{(n-i+1)j} = a_{((n-i+1)\oplus i))(i+j)} = a_{(n\oplus 1)(i\oplus j)} = a_{1(i\oplus j)}$  and  $m_{ji} = a_{(n-j+1)i} = a_{((n-j+1)\oplus k))(k+i)}$ , for all i, j,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

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When k = j,  $m_{ji} = a_{(n-j+1)i} = a_{((n-j+1)\oplus j))(j+i)} = a_{(n\oplus 1)(i\oplus j)} = a_{1(i\oplus j)}$ Therefore, we get  $m_{ij} = m_{ji}$ . Hence *M* is symmetric.

**Theorem 2.5.** For a Circulant Interval -Valued Fuzzy Matrix *A*, we have *adj A* is circulant.

**Proof.** We have to prove co-factor of the elements  $a_{i(j\oplus 1)}$  and  $a_{(i\oplus(n-1))j}$  are same. By remark 2.3, we have  $a_{i(j\oplus 1)} = a_{(i\oplus(n-1))j}$ . So the minor of  $a_{i(j\oplus 1)}$  and  $a_{(i\oplus(n-1))j}$  are will be same. co-factor of  $a_{i(j\oplus 1)} = (-1)^{i\oplus(j+1)} \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \prod_{k=1, k\neq i, k\neq j\oplus 1}^n [a_{k\sigma(k)L}, a_{k\sigma(k)U}]$ co-factor of  $a_{(i\oplus(n-1))j} = (-1)^{(1\oplus(n-1))+j} \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \prod_{k=1, k\neq j, k\neq (1\oplus(n-1))}^n [a_{k\sigma(k)L}, a_{k\sigma(k)U}]$ 

Now, the sign of  $(-1)^{i\oplus(j+1)}$  = the sign of  $(-1)^{(i\oplus(n-1))+j}$  (since n is fixed) So, the co-factor of  $a_{i(j\oplus 1)}$  and  $a_{(i\oplus(n-1))j}$  are same.

Hence adj A is circulant interval -valued fuzzy matrix.

#### 3. Operators on circulant IVFM

In this section, some operators, viz .  $\Lambda$ , V are defined and explained with numerical examples.

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n} = [a_{ijL}, a_{ijU}]$  and  $B = [b_{ij}]_{n \times n} = [b_{ijL}, b_{ijU}]$  are two circulant IVFM, then  $A \lor B = [a_{ij}] \lor [b_{ij}] = [a_{ijL}, a_{ijU}] \lor [b_{ijL}, b_{ijU}] = [a_{ijL} \lor b_{ijL}, a_{ijU} \lor b_{ijU}].$ 

**Theorem 3.1.** If A and B are two circulant IVFM then AVB is also circulant IVFM. **Proof:** Proof is straight forward.

**Definition 3.2.** The  $\land$  operation is similar to  $\lor$  operation. Let  $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n} = [a_{ijL}, a_{ijU}]$  and  $B = [b_{ij}]_{n \times n} = [b_{ijL}, b_{ijU}]$  are two CIVFM, then  $A \land B = [a_{ij}] \land [b_{ij}] = [a_{ijL}, a_{ijU}] \land [b_{ijL}, b_{ijU}] = [a_{ijL} \land b_{ijL}, a_{ijU} \land b_{ijU}].$ 

**Theorem 3.2.** If A and B are two CIVFM, then  $A \land B$  is also a CIVFM. **Proof:** Proof is straight forward.

Example 3.1. Let 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} [.2, .4] & [.5, .8] & [.7, .9] \\ [.7, .9] & [.2, .4] & [.5, .8] \\ [.5, .8] & [.7, .9] & [.2, .4] \end{bmatrix}$$
 and  
 $B = \begin{bmatrix} [.3, .5] & [.6, .7] & [.1, .8] \\ [.1, .8] & [.3, .5] & [.6, .7] \\ [.6, .7] & [.1, .8] & [.3, .5] \end{bmatrix}$   
Then,  $A \lor B = \begin{bmatrix} [.3, .5] & [.6, .8] & [.7, .9] \\ [.7, .9] & [.3, .5] & [.6, .8] \\ [.6, .8] & [.7, .9] & [.3, .9] \end{bmatrix}$  and

 $A \wedge B = \begin{bmatrix} [.2, .4] & [.5, .7] & [.1, .8] \\ [.1, .8] & [.2, .4] & [.5, .7] \\ [.5, .7] & [.1, .8] & [.2, .4] \end{bmatrix}.$  Therefore AVB and AAB are CIVFM

**Definition 3.3.** Let  $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n} = [a_{ijL}, a_{ijU}]$  and  $B = [b_{ij}]_{n \times n} = [b_{ijL}, b_{ijU}]$  are two CIVFM.

Then  $A \bigoplus B = [a_{ijL} \bigoplus b_{ijL} - a_{ijL} \cdot b_{ijL}, a_{ijU} \bigoplus b_{ijU} - a_{ijU} \cdot b_{ijU}]$  for all i,j  $A \bigoplus B = [a_{ijL} \cdot b_{ijL}, a_{ijU} \cdot b_{ijU}]$  for all i,j  $A @ B = [\frac{1}{2}(a_{ijL} + b_{ijL}), \frac{1}{2}(a_{ijU} + b_{ijU})]$  for all i,j.

**Definition 3.4.** The complement of CIVFM  $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n} = [a_{ijL}, a_{ijU}]$  is defined as  $A^{C} = [1 - a_{ij}]_{n \times n}$ .

**Definition 3.5.** An CIVFM is called **self complement**  $(A^{C})^{C} = A$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** If *A* be a CIVFM, then 
$$(A^{C})^{C} = A$$
.  
**Proof:** Let  $B = A^{C}$ . Then  $b_{ij} = 1 - a_{ij} = [1 - a_{ijU}, 1 - a_{ijL}]$   
If  $D = B^{C} = (A^{C})^{C}$ , then  $d_{ij} = 1 - b_{ij} = [1 - b_{ijL}, 1 - b_{ijU}]$   
 $= [1 - (1 - a_{ijL}), 1 - (1 - a_{ijU})]$   
 $= [a_{ijL}, a_{ijU}] = A$ . Therefore  $(A^{C})^{C} = A$ .

**Theorem 3.4.** If a CIVFM  $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n}$  is self complement then  $a_{ijL} + a_{ijU} = 1$  for all *i*, *j*.

**Proof:** By the definition of complement

 $a_{ij}^c = [1,1] - [a_{ijL}, a_{ijU}] = [1 - a_{ijU}, 1 - a_{ijL}] = [a_{ijL}, a_{ijU}].$ Since A is self complement, then  $A^c = A$ . Hence  $a_{ijL} + a_{ijU} = 1$ , for all i, j.

**Theorem 3.5.** (De Morgan's laws) Let  $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n} = [a_{ijL}, a_{ijU}]$  and  $B = [b_{ij}]_{n \times n} = [b_{ijL}, b_{ijU}]$  are two CIVFM, then  $i)(A \vee B)^C = A^C \wedge B^C$ ,  $ii)(A \wedge B)^C = A^C \vee B^C$ . **Proof:** i). Let  $P = A \vee B$ , then  $p_{ij} = [a_{ij} \vee b_{ij}] = [a_{ijL} \vee b_{ijL}, a_{ijU} \vee b_{ijU}]$ Let  $Q = P^C$ , then  $Q_{ij} = p_{ij} = 1 - a_{ij} \vee b_{ij} = [1, 1] - [a_{ijL} \vee b_{ijL}, a_{ijU} \vee b_{ijU}]$   $= [1 - a_{ijU} \vee b_{ijU}, 1 - a_{ijL} \vee b_{ijL}]$ Let  $R = A^C \wedge B^C$ , then  $R_{ij} = (1 - a_{ij}) \wedge (1 - b_{ij})$   $= ([1, 1] - [a_{ijL}, a_{ijU}]) \wedge ([1, 1] - b_{ijL}, b_{ijU})$   $= [1 - a_{ijU} \vee b_{ijU}, 1 - a_{ijL} \vee b_{ijL}] = Q_{ij}$ . Hence  $(A \vee B)^C = A^C \wedge B^C$ . i). Proof is similar to (i).

**Example 3.2.** Let *A* and *B* are two CIVFM of order 3×3, where

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$$A = \begin{bmatrix} [.2, .4] & [.5, .8] & [.7, .9] \\ [.7, .9] & [.2, .4] & [.5, .8] \\ [.5, .8] & [.7, .9] & [.2, .4] \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} [.3, .5] & [.6, .7] & [.1, .8] \\ [.1, .8] & [.3, .5] & [.6, .7] \\ [.6, .7] & [.1, .8] & [.3, .5] \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A \lor B)^{C} = \begin{bmatrix} [.5, .7] & [.2, .4] & [.1, .3] \\ [.1, .3] & [.5, .7] & [.2, .4] \\ [.2, .4] & [.1, .3] & [.5, .7] \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{C} = \begin{bmatrix} [.6, .8] & [.2, .5] & [.1, .3] \\ [.1, .3] & [.6, .8] & [.2, .5] \\ [.2, .5] & [.1, .3] & [.6, .8] \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B^{C} = \begin{bmatrix} [.5, .7] & [.3, .4] & [.2, .9] \\ [.2, .9] & [.5, .7] & [.3, .4] \\ [.3, .4] & [.2, .9] & [.5, .7] \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{C} \land B^{C} = \begin{bmatrix} [.5, .7] & [.2, .4] & [.1, .3] \\ [.1, .3] & [.6, .8] & [.2, .5] \\ [.1, .3] & [.6, .8] & [.2, .5] \\ [.2, .4] & [.1, .3] & [.5, .7] \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(3.2)$$

From (3.1) and (3.2) we get  $(A \lor B)^{C} = A^{C} \land B^{C}$ .

## 4. Determinant of circulant interval-valued fuzzy matrix

**Definition 4.1.** The determinant of a CIVFM of order  $n \times n$  is defined by |A| and is defined as  $|A| = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} sgn\sigma \prod_{i=1}^n a_{i\sigma(i)}$ , where  $a_{i\sigma(i)} = [a_{i\sigma(i)L}, a_{i\sigma(i)U}]$  is the IVFM and  $S_n$  denotes the symmetric group of all permutation of the indices  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  and  $\sigma = 1 \text{ or } -1$  according as the permutation  $\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \\ \sigma(1) & \sigma(2) \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \sigma(n) \end{pmatrix}$  is even or odd respectively. The computation of det(A) involves several product of IVFM. Since A is circulant IVFM, the value of  $a_{ij} = [a_{ijL}, a_{ijU}] = [a_{1(n-1+j+1)L}, a_{1(n-1+j+1)U}]$ , with  $[a_{1(n+k)L}, a_{1(n+K)U}] = [a_{1kL}, a_{1kU}].$ 

**Theorem 4.1.** If A be a CIVFM, then A |adj| A is weakly reflexive. **Proof:** Let  $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n} = [a_{ijL}, a_{ijU}]$  be a circulant IVFM with  $[a_{1lL}, a_{1lU}] \ge [a_{1iL}, a_{1iU}]$ Let C = A a d j A. Then C is circulant, since A and a d j A are circulant. Now, we have  $[C_{11L}, C_{11U}] = \sum_{k=1}^{n} ([a_{1kL}, a_{1kU}] \cdot |[A_{1kL}, A_{1kU}]|)$ Here  $|[A_{1lL}, A_{1lU}]| = \sum_{\sigma \in S_{n1nl}} sgn\sigma \prod [a_{t\sigma(t)L}, a_{t\sigma(t)U}]$ =  $[a_{2\pi(2)L}, a_{2\pi(2)U}] \cdot [a_{3\pi(3)L}, a_{3\pi(3)U}] \dots \dots [a_{n\pi(n)L}, a_{n\pi(n)U}]$ for some  $\pi \in s_n$ Since A is circulant, we get  $[a_{1lL}, a_{1lU}] = [a_{2(l \oplus 1)L}, a_{2(l \oplus 1)U}]$  $= [a_{3(l\oplus 2)L}, a_{3(l\oplus 2)U}] = \cdots = [a_{n(l\oplus (n-1))L}, a_{n(l\oplus (n-1))U}]$ Suppose  $\pi \in S_{n1 nl}$  be defined as  $\pi = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 \dots \dots \dots n \\ (l \oplus 1) & (l \oplus 2) & (l \oplus 3) \dots \dots (l \oplus (n-1)) \end{pmatrix}$ Then  $|[A_{1lL}, A_{1lU}]| = [a_{2(l \oplus 1)L}, a_{2(l \oplus 1)U}] \cdot [a_{3(l \oplus 2)L}, a_{3(l \oplus 2)U}] \dots \dots$  $\left[a_{n(l\oplus(n-1))L}, a_{n(l\oplus(n-1))U}\right] = [a_{1lL}, a_{1lU}]$ Therefore,  $[C_{11L}, C_{11U}] \ge [a_{1lL}, a_{1lU}]$ . But  $[a_{1lL}, a_{1lU}] \ge [a_{1iL}, a_{1iU}]$ . Then  $[C_{11L}, C_{11U}] \ge [C_{1iL}, C_{1iU}]$ . Since, C is circulant, the elements of its diagonal are all

equal.

Hence,  $[C_{iiL}, C_{iiU}] \ge [C_{ijL}, C_{ijU}]$ . Therefore C = A adj A is weakly reflexive.

**Theorem 4.2.** If  $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n} = [a_{ijL}, a_{ijU}]$  be a  $n \times n$  CIVFM, then CIVFM is transitive. **Proof:** Let C = A adj A, then  $C_{ij} = [C_{ijL}, C_{ijU}] = \sum_{k=1}^{n} ([a_{ikL}, a_{ikU}] \cdot |[A_{jkL}, A_{jkU}]|)$   $= [a_{itL}, a_{itU}] \cdot |A_{jtL}, A_{jtU}|$   $(C_{ij})^2 = [C_{ijL}, C_{ijU}]^2 = \sum_{k=1}^{n} [C_{isL}, C_{isU}] [C_{sjL}, C_{sjU}]$   $= \sum_{s=1}^{n} [(\sum_{p=1}^{n} [a_{ipL}, a_{ipU}] |[A_{spL}, A_{spU}]|) (\sum_{q=1}^{n} [a_{sqL}, a_{sqU}] |[A_{jqL}, A_{jqU}]|)]$   $= \sum_{s=1}^{n} ([a_{ihL}, a_{ihU}] |[A_{shL}, A_{shU}]|) ([a_{skL}, a_{skU}] (|[A_{jkL}, A_{jkU}]|)$   $\leq [a_{ihL}, a_{ihU}] |[A_{jkL}, A_{jkU}]| \leq [a_{itL}, a_{itU}] |[A_{jtL}, A_{jtU}]|.$ Hence,  $(A adj A)^2 \leq A adj A$ . Therefore, A adj A is transitive.

**Theorem 4.3.** If  $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n} = [a_{ijL}, a_{ijU}]$  be a circulant interval valued fuzzy matrix, then *A* adj *A* is idempotent.

**Proof:** Let 
$$C = A \ adj \ A$$
. By theorem (4.2),  $[C_{ijL}, C_{ijU}]^2 \leq [C_{ijL}, C_{ijU}]$   
But  $[C_{ijL}, C_{ijU}]^2 = \sum_{k=1}^{n} [C_{ikL}, C_{ikU}] [C_{kjL}, C_{kjU}] \geq [C_{iiL}, C_{iiU}] [C_{ijL}, C_{ijU}]$ 
$$= [C_{ijL}, C_{ijU}]$$

Therefore we get,  $[C_{ijL}, C_{ijU}]^2 = [C_{ijL}, C_{ijU}]$ . Hence, A adj A is idempotent.

Example 4.1. Let 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} [.3, .5] & [.6, .8] & [.7, .9] \\ [.7, .9] & [.3, .5] & [.6, .8] \\ [.6, .8] & [.7, .9] & [.3, .5] \end{bmatrix}$$
 then  
 $Adj A = \begin{bmatrix} [.6, .8] & [.7, .9] & [.6, .8] \\ [.6, .8] & [.6, .8] & [.7, .9] \\ [.7, .9] & [.6, .8] & [.6, .8] \end{bmatrix}$   
Let  $C = A adj A = \begin{bmatrix} [.7, .9] & [.6, .8] & [.6, .8] \\ [.6, .8] & [.7, .9] & [.6, .8] \\ [.6, .8] & [.7, .9] & [.6, .8] \\ [.6, .8] & [.7, .9] \end{bmatrix}$ .  
Now,  $[C_{iiL}, C_{iiU}] \ge [C_{ijL}, C_{ijU}]$ . Hence,  $A adj A$  is weakly reflexive.  
 $(A adj A)^2 = \begin{bmatrix} [.7, .9] & [.6, .8] & [.6, .8] \\ [.6, .8] & [.7, .9] & [.6, .8] \\ [.6, .8] & [.7, .9] & [.6, .8] \\ [.6, .8] & [.7, .9] & [.6, .8] \\ [.6, .8] & [.7, .9] & [.6, .8] \\ [.6, .8] & [.7, .9] & [.6, .8] \\ [.6, .8] & [.6, .8] & [.7, .9] \end{bmatrix}$ .  
Hence  $(A adj A)^2 \le A adj A$ . Therefore,  $A adj A$  is transitive.

Here  $[C_{ijL}, C_{ijU}]^2 = [C_{ijL}, C_{ijU}]$ . Hence, C = A adj A is idempotent.

**Theorem 4.4.** If  $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n} = [a_{ijL}, a_{ijU}]$  be a circulant interval valued fuzzy matrix, then determinant of A is the largest element in A. **Proof:** Let  $[a_{1mL}, a_{1mU}] \ge [a_{1iL}, a_{1iU}]$  i.e,  $a_{1m}$  is the largest element of A. Then by definition of |A| we have  $|A| = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} sgn \sigma \prod_{i=1}^n a_{i\sigma(i)}$  Circulant Interval Valued Fuzzy Matrices

$$\begin{split} &= \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} sgn \ \sigma \prod_{i=1}^n [a_{i\sigma(i)L}, \ a_{i\sigma(i)U}] = \prod_{i=1}^n [a_{i\pi(i)L}, \ a_{i\pi(i)U}] & \text{for some } \pi \in s_n \\ &= [a_{1\pi(1)L}, \ a_{1\pi(1)U}] \cdot [a_{2\pi(2)L}, \ a_{2\pi(2)U}] \dots \dots \dots [a_{n\pi(n)L}, \ a_{n\pi(n)U}] \\ &\text{Let } \pi(1) = 1. \text{ Since } A \text{ is circulan, we get} \\ &[A_{1mL}, \ A_{1mU}] = [a_{2(m \oplus 1)L}, \ a_{2(m \oplus 1)U}] = [a_{3(m \oplus 2)L}, \ a_{3(m \oplus 2)U}] \dots \dots \dots \\ & \dots \dots \dots = [a_{m(m \oplus (n-1))L}, \ a_{m(m \oplus (n-1))U}] \\ &\text{Let the permutation } \pi \text{ defined as } \pi = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \dots \\ m & m \oplus 1 \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots m \oplus (n-1) \end{pmatrix} \\ &\text{Therefore } |A| = [a_{1mL}, \ a_{1mU}] \cdot [a_{2(m \oplus 1)L}, \ a_{2(m \oplus 1)L}, \ a_{2(m \oplus 1)U}] = \\ &[a_{3(m \oplus 2)L}, \ a_{3(m \oplus 2)U}], \dots \dots \dots \dots = [a_{m(m \oplus (n-1))L}, \ a_{m(m \oplus (n-1))U}] \\ &|A| = [a_{1mL}, \ a_{1mU}]. \text{ Hence, } |A| \text{ is the largest element in } A. \\ &[[.3,.6] \quad [.7,.9] \quad [.4,.3]] \end{split}$$

Example 4.4. Let 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} [.3,.0] & [.7,.9] & [.4,.3] \\ [.4,.3] & [.3,.6] & [.7,.9] \\ [.7,.9] & [.3,.6] & [.3,.6] \end{bmatrix}$$
 then  $|A| = [.7, .9]$ 

Hence, |A| is the largest element in A.

### 5. Conclusion

In this paper, some properties of circulant interval valued fuzzy matrix (CIVFMs) are discussed with examples. De Morgan's laws are proved using elementary operators. The concept and some properties of determinant of circulant interval valued fuzzy matrix (CIVFMs) are also discussed.

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