

## K- Regular Interval Incline Matrices

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### Abstract:

This paper deals the generalized regular interval incline matrices as a generalization of regular fuzzy (interval) matrices and regular (interval) incline matrices are also investigated the concept of k-right (left) regular interval incline matrix and their properties.

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### 1. Introduction

The concept of an incline, introduced by Cao, is an algebraic structure, a special type of a semi rings. The notion of inclines and their applications are described broadly in Cao, Kim and Roush [2]. Kim and Roush [4] have surveyed and outlined algebraic properties of inclines and incline matrices.

Inclines are additively idempotent semi rings in which products are less than or equal to each factor. An incline is a structure which has an associative, commutative addition and distributive multiplication such that  $x+x=x$ ,  $x+xy=x$  and  $y+xy = y$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{L}$

An element  $a$  in an incline is said to be regular if a solution exists for the equation  $axa = a$ , and such a solution is called a generalized inverse (or g-inverse) of  $a$ . An incline  $\mathcal{L}$  is regular if and only if every element of  $\mathcal{L}$  is regular. A matrix  $P \in \mathcal{M}_{mn}(\mathcal{L})$  (the set of  $m \times n$  matrices over an incline  $\mathcal{L}$ ) is regular iff there exists  $A \in \mathcal{M}_{mn}(\mathcal{L})$  Such that  $PAP = P$ , and Such  $A$  is called g-inverse of  $P$ . In [6] meenakshi and kaliraja have studied the regular IVFM. In [8] Meenakshi and Poongodi have introduced on generalized regular interval valued fuzzy matrices.

Recently the concept of generalized regular interval valued fuzzy matrix was introduced by Poongodi [8]. Jenita have represented an generalized regular fuzzy matrices [7].

A matrix  $P(=[P_L, P_U]) \in \mathcal{M}_n^I(\mathcal{L})$ , (the set of  $n \times n$ -interval incline matrices) is said to be right k-regular if there exist a matrix  $A(=[A_L, A_U]) \in \mathcal{M}_n^I(\mathcal{L})$ . Such that  $[P_L^k A_L P_L, P_U^k A_U P_U] = [P_L^k, P_U^k]$ , for some positive integer  $k$ .  $A$  is called a right k-g-inverse of  $P$ , Let  $P_k\{-1_r\} = \{[A_L, A_U] / [P_L^k A_L P_L, P_U^k A_U P_U] = [P_L^k, P_U^k]\}$ . Which is an extension of the Concept of generalized Regular Fuzzy interval incline matrices.

In this paper we investigate the k-regular interval incline matrices.

### 2. Preliminaries

In this section, we recall some basic definitions and results needed are given.

**Definition 2.1**

An interval Incline is a non-empty set of elements  $\mathcal{L}^I$  with binary operations addition and multiplication denoted as  $(+, \cdot)$  defined on  $\mathcal{L}^I \times \mathcal{L}^I \rightarrow \mathcal{L}^I$

For all  $[x_L, x_U], [y_L, y_U], [z_L, z_U] \in \mathcal{L}^I$

- (i)  $[x_L, x_U] + [y_L, y_U] = [y_L, y_U] + [x_L, x_U]$ ;
- (ii)  $[x_L, x_U] + ([y_L, y_U] + [z_L, z_U]) = ([x_L, x_U] + [y_L, y_U]) + [z_L, z_U]$ ;
- (iii)  $[x_L, x_U]([y_L, y_U] + [z_L, z_U]) = [x_L, x_U][y_L, y_U] + [x_L, x_U][z_L, z_U]$ ;
- (iv)  $[x_L, x_U]([y_L, y_U][z_L, z_U]) = ([x_L, x_U][y_L, y_U])[z_L, z_U]$ ;
- (v)  $([y_L, y_U] + [z_L, z_U])[x_L, x_U] = [y_L, y_U][x_L, x_U] + [z_L, z_U][x_L, x_U]$ ;
- (vi)  $[x_L, x_U] + [x_L, x_U] = [x_L, x_U]$ ;
- (vii)  $[x_L, x_U] + [x_L y_L, x_U y_U] = [x_L, x_U]$ ;
- (viii)  $[y_L, y_U] + [x_L y_L, x_U y_U] = [y_L, y_U]$ ;

In an interval incline  $(\mathcal{L}, +, \cdot)$  acting a relation ' $\leq$ ' described as on  $\mathcal{L}^I$ .

Interval values fuzzy sets, Interval distributive lattices are the best example for interval inclines.

In an interval incline  $(\mathcal{L}^I, +, \cdot)$  acting a relation of ordering  $\leq$  described as on  $\mathcal{L}^I$ .

For some  $[x_L, x_U], [y_L, y_U] \in \mathcal{L}^I$

$$[x_L, x_U] \leq [y_L, y_U] \text{ or } x_L \leq y_L \text{ and } x_U \leq y_U \text{ if and only if } [x_L, x_U] + [y_L, y_U] = [y_L, y_U]$$

By the incline axioms (vii) and (viii), we have

$$[x_L y_L, x_U y_U] \leq [x_L, x_U] \text{ and } [x_L y_L, x_U y_U] \leq [y_L, y_U];$$

The following characteristics of this interval incline order relation are from (P1) and (P2).

For  $[x_L, x_U], [y_L, y_U] \in \mathcal{L}^I$

Property 1:  $[x_L + y_L, x_U + y_U] \geq [x_L, x_U]$  and  $[x_L + y_L, x_U + y_U] \geq [y_L, y_U]$

Property 2:  $[x_L y_L, x_U y_U] \leq [x_L, x_U]$  and  $[x_L y_L, x_U y_U] \leq [y_L, y_U]$ ;

**Definition 2.2**

An Interval Incline Matrix (IIM) of order  $m \times n$  is defined by  $P = [P_{ij}]_{m \times n}$  the  $ij^{\text{th}}$  element of  $P$  is an interval incline matrices containing all the elements as intervals  $P_L$  is the lower matrix of  $P$  and  $P_U$  is the upper matrix of  $P$ .

For  $P = [P_{ij}]_{m \times n}$  and  $Q = [Q_{ij}]_{m \times n}$  of order  $m \times n$  their addition denoted by  $P+Q$  defined as

$$P+Q = ([P_{ij} + Q_{ij}], [P_{ij} + Q_{ij}]) \rightarrow (1)$$

and their multiplication denoted by  $PQ$  is defined as,

$$PQ = (r_{ij}) = ([r_{ij}], [r_{ij}]) = \left( \sum_{k=1}^n P_{ikL} Q_{kjL}, P_{ikU} Q_{kjU} \right), i=1, 2, 3, \dots, m \text{ and } j=1, 2, \dots, r$$

$$= \left( \sum_{k=1}^n P_{ikL} Q_{kjL}, P_{ikU} Q_{kjU} \right), i=1, 2, 3, \dots, m \text{ and } j=1, 2, \dots, r$$

where  $P = [P_L, P_U]_{m \times n}$  and  $Q = [Q_L, Q_U]_{n \times r}$

Their multiplication denoted by  $PQ = [P_L Q_L, P_U Q_U]_{\max}$   $P = [P_L, P_U]$ ,  $P_L + P_U = P_U$  iff  $P_{ijL} \geq Q_{ijL}$  and  $P_{ijU} \geq Q_{ijU}$  iff  $P+Q=P$

In this interval incline elements having the lower limit and the upper limit are same then the interval incline coincides with the incline.

**Remark 2.3**

An Interval incline matrices (IIM) is a matrix with the entries are the (interval) elements belongs to the Interval incline by  $(\mathcal{L}^I)$ . In particular the interval incline matrix the lower incline matrix and upper incline matrix, that is  $P^{TM}IIM$ 's which is defined as  $P(=[P_L, P_U])=[p_{ijL}, p_{ijU}]$ .

**Remark 2.4**

For  $P(=[P_L, P_U])^{TM} \mathcal{L}_{m \times n}^I$ ,  $P^T$ ,  $P_i^*$ ,  $P_j^*$ ,  $\mathcal{R}(P)$ ,  $C(P)$ ,  $\rho_r(P)$ ,  $\rho_c(P)$  denotes the transpose of  $P$ ,  $i^{\text{th}}$  the row of  $P$ ,  $j^{\text{th}}$  column of  $P$ , row space of  $P$ , Column space of  $P$ , row rank of  $P$ , Column rank of  $P$  respectively.

**Lemma 2.5 [6]**

For  $P=[P_L, P_U]^{TM} \mathcal{L}_{m \times n}^I$  and  $Q=[Q_L, Q_U] \in \mathcal{L}_{np}^I$ , then the following hold:

- (i)  $P^T=[P_L^T, P_U^T]$
- (ii)  $PQ = [P_L Q_L, P_U Q_U]$

**Lemma 2.6 [6]**

For  $P, Q \in (IIM)_{mn}$ ,

- (i)  $\mathfrak{R}(Q) \subseteq \mathfrak{R}(P) \Leftrightarrow Q = AP$  for some  $A \in (IIM)_m$
- (ii)  $C(Q) \subseteq C(P) \Leftrightarrow Q = PB$  for some  $B \in (IIM)_n$

**Lemma 2.7 [6]**

For  $P \in (IIM)_{mn}$  and  $Q \in (IIM)_{np}$ , then the following hold:

- (i)  $\mathfrak{R}(PQ) \subseteq \mathfrak{R}(P)$
- (ii)  $C(PQ) \subseteq C(Q)$

**Lemma 2.8 [6]**

For  $P, Q \in \mathcal{L}_{mn}^I$ , if  $P$  is regular then

- (i)  $\mathfrak{R}(Q) \subseteq \mathfrak{R}(P) \Leftrightarrow Q = QP^*P$  for each  $P^*$  of  $P$
- (ii)  $C(Q) \subseteq C(P) \Leftrightarrow Q = P^*PQ$  for each  $P^*$  of  $P$

**3. k-regular Interval incline matrices****Definition 3.1**

A matrix  $P=[P_L, P_U]^{TM} \mathcal{L}_n^I$  is said to be right k-regular if there exists a matrix  $A^{TM} \mathcal{L}_n^I$  ( $A=[A_L, A_U]^{TM} \mathcal{L}_n^I$ ) such that  $[P_L^k A_L P_L, P_U^k A_U P_U] = [P_L^k, P_U^k]$ , for some positive integer k.  $A=[A_L, A_U]$  is called a right k-g-inverse of  $P$ . the set of all k-g inverse is defined as and  $[P_L, P_U]k-\{1_r\}=\{[A_L, A_U] / [P_L^k A_L P_L, P_U^k A_U P_U] = [P_L^k, P_U^k]\}$ .

**Definition 3.2**

A matrix  $P=[P_L, P_U]^{TM} \mathcal{L}_n^I$  is said to be left k-regular if there exists a matrix  $B=[B_L, B_U]^{TM} \mathcal{L}_n^I$  such that  $[P_L B_L P_L^k, P_U B_U P_U^k] = [P_L^k, P_U^k]$ , for some positive integer k.

$B=[B_L, B_U]$  is called a left k-g-inverse of  $P$ .

Let  $[P_L, P_U] k-\{1\} = \{[B_L, B_U] / [P_L B_L P_L^k, P_U B_U P_U^k] = [P_L^k, P_U^k]\}$ .

Let  $[P_L, P_U] k-\{1\} = [P_L, P_U] k-\{1_r\} \cup [P_L, P_U] k-\{1_l\}$

In general, right  $k$ -regular is different from left  $k$ -regular.

$P^{\text{TM}} \mathcal{L}_{mn}^I$  is said to be  $k$ -regular if it is both left and right  $k$ -regular

These are illustrated in the following examples.

### Example 3.3

$$\text{Let us consider } P = \begin{bmatrix} [0,0] & [0.2,0.5] & [0,0] \\ [0,0] & [0.5,1] & [0.3,0.5] \\ [0.1,0.5] & [0,0] & [0,0] \end{bmatrix} \in (IIM)_{3 \times 3}$$

$$\text{For this, } P^2 = \begin{bmatrix} [0,0] & [0.2,0.5] & [0.2,0.5] \\ [0.1,0.5] & [0.5,1] & [0.3,0.5] \\ [0,0] & [0.1,0.5] & [0,0] \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P^3 = \begin{bmatrix} [0.1,0.5] & [0.2,0.5] & [0.2,0.5] \\ [0.1,0.5] & [0.5,1] & [0.3,0.5] \\ [0,0] & [0.1,0.5] & [0.1,0.5] \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{For } A = \begin{bmatrix} [0.4,0.5] & [0,0] & [0.3,0.5] \\ [0.2,0.5] & [0.5,1] & [0,0] \\ [0,0] & [0.1,0.5] & [0.4,0.5] \end{bmatrix}$$

$P^3 A P = P^3$ . Hence  $P$  is 3-regular.

For  $k=3$ ,  $P^3 A P = P^3$  but  $P A P^3 \neq P^3$

Hence  $A$  is a right 3-g-inverse but need not be a 3-g-inverse, and also a right  $k$ -g-inverse need not be a left  $k$ -g-inverse.

### Remark 3.4

Each interval element of the set  $P k-\{1\}$  is called a  $k$ -g-inverse of  $P$ . If  $P$  is  $k$ -regular then  $P$  is  $q$ -regular for all integer  $q \geq k$ . For  $k=1$ ,  $P k-\{1\}$  reduces to the set of all g-inverses of a regular interval matrix  $P$ .

### Lemma 3.5

Let  $P(=[P_L, P_U])^{\text{TM}} \mathcal{L}_{mn}^I$  is said to be  $k$ -regular interval incline matrix  $A(=[A_L, A_U])$  be a  $k$ -g inverse of  $P$  and  $\lambda^{\text{TM}} \mathcal{L}^I$ . then

$$(i) \quad [A_L^T, A_U^T]^{\text{TM}} [P_L^T, P_U^T] k-\{1\}$$

$$(ii) \quad [\lambda A_L, \lambda A_U]^{\text{TM}} [\lambda P_L, \lambda P_U] k-\{1\}$$

$$(iii) \quad [\rho(A_L), \rho(A_U)] \geq [\rho(P^k_L), \rho(P^k_U)]$$

(iv) If  $R$  and  $S$  are permutation interval matrices, then

$$[R_L^T P_L S_L^T, R_U^T P_U S_U^T]^{\text{TM}} [R_L P_L S_L, R_U P_U S_U] k-\{1\}.$$

### Proof

Let  $[A_L, A_U]$  be a  $k$ -g inverse of  $[P_L, P_U]$  then  $[P_L^k A_L P_L, P_U^k A_U P_U] = [P_L^k, P_U^k]$

Taking the transpose on both sides, we get

$$\begin{aligned} [(P_L^k A_L P_L)^T, (P_U^k A_U P_U)^T] &= [(P_L^k)^T A_L^T P_L^T, (P_U^k)^T A_U^T P_U^T] \\ &= [(P_L^T)^k A_L^T P_L^T, (P_U^T)^k A_U^T P_U^T] \\ &= [P_L^k, P_U^k]. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $[A_L^T, A_U^T]^{TM} [P_L^T, P_U^T]^{k-1}$

(ii) Let  $[P_L, P_U] = [P_{ijL}, P_{ijU}]$  then  $[\lambda P_L, \lambda P_U] = [P_L \lambda, P_U \lambda]$  and  $\lambda \lambda^{-1} = I$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } [\lambda(P_L^k A_L P_L), \lambda(P_U^k A_U P_U)] \\ = [\lambda P_L^k, \lambda P_U^k] \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $[\lambda A_L, \lambda A_U]^{TM} [\lambda P_L, \lambda P_U]^{k-1}$

(iii) Since  $[P_L^k A_L P_L, P_U^k A_U P_U] = [P_L^k, P_U^k]$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow [\rho(P_L^k A_L P_L), \rho(P_U^k A_U P_U)] \\ = [\rho(P_L^k), \rho(P_U^k)] \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow [\rho(P_L), \rho(P_U)] \leq [\rho(A_L), \rho(A_U)]$$

(iv) Since  $[R_L, R_U]$  and  $[S_L, S_U]$  are interval permutation matrices, R and S are invertible  $R^{-1} = R^T, S^{-1} = S^T$

Let  $[P_L^k A_L P_L, P_U^k A_U P_U] = [P_L^k, P_U^k]$

$$\begin{aligned} [R_L P_L^k S_L (S_L^T A_L R_L^T) R_L P_L^k S_L, R_U P_U^k S_U (S_U^T A_U R_U^T) R_U P_U^k S_U] \\ = [R_L P_L^k (S_L S_L^T) A_L (R_L^T R_L) P_L^k S_L, R_U P_U^k (S_U S_U^T) A_U (R_U^T R_U) P_U^k S_U] \\ = [R_L P_L^k A_L P_L S_L, R_U P_U^k A_U P_U S_U] \\ = [R_L (P_L^k A_L P_L) S_L, R_U (P_U^k A_U P_U) S_U] \\ = [R_L P_L^k S_L, R_U P_U^k S_U] \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $[S_L^T A_L R_L^T, S_U^T A_U R_U^T]^{TM} [R_L P_L^k S_L, R_U P_U^k S_U]^{k-1}$

Hence the proof

### Theorem 3.6

Let  $[P_L, P_U]^{TM} \mathcal{L}_n^f$  and k be a positive integer, then  $[A_L, A_U]^{TM} P^{k-1} \Leftrightarrow [A_L^T, A_U^T]^{TM} P^{k-1}$ .

### Proof

Let  $[A_L, A_U]^{TM} P^{k-1}$

$$\Leftrightarrow [P_L^k A_L P_L, P_U^k A_U P_U] = [P_L^k, P_U^k]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [P_L^k A_L P_L, P_U^k A_U P_U]^T = [P_L^k, P_U^k]^T$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [(P_L^k A_L P_L)^T, (P_U^k A_U P_U)^T] = [(P_L^T)^k, (P_U^T)^k]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [P_L^T A_L^T (P_L^T)^k, P_U^T A_U^T (P_U^T)^k] = [(P_L^T)^k, (P_U^T)^k]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [A_L^T, A_U^T]^{TM} P^{k-1}$$

### Remark 3.7

In particular for k=1, Definition (3.1) and (3.2) reduce to regular IIM poineer in [12] and in the case  $P_L = P_U$ , Definition (3.1) and (3.2) reduce to regular incline matrix [11].

### Theorem 3.8

Let  $P = [P_L, P_U]^{TM} (IIM)_n$ . Then P is right k-regular interval incline matrix iff  $P_L$  and  $P_U^{TM} \mathcal{L}_n^f$  are right k-regular.

**Proof**

Let  $P=[P_L, P_U]^{TM(IIM)}_n$

Since  $P$  is right  $k$ -regular IIM, there exists

$$A=[A_L, A_U]^{TM(IIM)}_n, \text{ Such that } [P_L^k A_L P_L, P_U^k A_U P_U] = [P_L^k, P_U^k]$$

Let  $A=[A_L, A_U]$  with  $A_L, A_U \in \mathcal{L}'_n$

Then by Lemma (2.5)(ii),

$$\begin{aligned} [P_L^k A_L P_L, P_U^k A_U P_U] &= [P_L^k, P_U^k] \\ P_L^k A_L P_L &= P_L^k \text{ and } P_U^k A_U P_U = P_U^k \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $P_L$  is right  $k$ -regular and  $P_U$  is right  $k$ -regular  $\mathcal{L}'_n$ . Thus  $P$  is right  $k$ -regular IIM.

$$\Rightarrow P_L \text{ and } P_U \in \mathcal{L}'_n \text{ are right } k\text{-regular.}$$

Conversely, Suppose  $P_L$  and  $P_U \in \mathcal{L}'_n$  are right  $k$ -regular, then  $P_L^k A_L P_L = P_L^k$  and

$$P_U^k A_U P_U = P_U^k \text{ for some } A_L \text{ and } A_U \in \mathcal{L}'_n. \quad A_L \in \mathcal{L}'_n(P_L)k-\{1_r\}, A_U \in \mathcal{L}'_n(P_U)k-\{1_r\}.$$

Since  $P_L \leq P_U$ , it is possible to choose at least one  $U \in \mathcal{L}'_n(P_L)k-\{1_r\}$  and  $V \in \mathcal{L}'_n(P_U)k-\{1_r\}$  Such that  $U \leq V$ .

Let us define the interval incline matrix  $Z = [U, V]$ . Then by Lemma (2.5) (ii),

$$\begin{aligned} P^k Z P &= [P_L^k, P_U^k] [U, V] [P_L, P_U] \\ &= [P_L^k U P_L, P_U^k V P_U] \\ &= [P_L^k, P_U^k] \\ &= P^k \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $P$  is right  $k$ -regular IIM.

**Theorem 3.9**

Let  $P=[P_L, P_U]^{TM(IIM)}_n$ . Then  $P$  is left  $k$ -regular interval incline matrix iff  $P_L$  and  $P_U \in \mathcal{L}'_n$  are left  $k$ -regular.

**Proof**

This can be proof is similar to Theorem (3.8) and hence omitted.

**Lemma 3.10**

For  $[P_L, P_U], [Q_L, Q_U]^{TM(IIM)}_n$ , and a positive integer  $k$ , the following hold.

(i) If  $[P_L, P_U]$  is right  $k$ -regular and  $[R(Q_L), R(Q_U)] \subseteq [R(P_L^k), R(P_U^k)]$

then,  $[Q_L, Q_U] = [Q_L A_L P_L, Q_U A_U P_U]$  for each right  $k$ -g- inverse  $[A_L, A_U]$  of  $[P_L, P_U]$ .

(ii) If  $[P_L, P_U]$  is left  $k$ -regular and  $[C(Q_L), C(Q_U)] \subseteq [C(P_L^k), C(P_U^k)]$

then,  $[Q_L, Q_U] = [P_L B_L Q_L, P_U B_U Q_U]$  for each left  $k$ -g- inverse  $[B_L, B_U]$  of  $[P_L, P_U]$ .

**Proof**

(i) Since  $[R(Q_L), R(Q_U)] \subseteq [R(P_L^k), R(P_U^k)]$ , by Lemma (2.6), there exists  $[Z_L, Z_U]$  such that  $[Q_L, Q_U] =$

$$[Z_L P_L^k, Z_U P_U^k].$$

Since  $[P_L, P_U]$  is right  $k$ -regular, by Definition (3.1),

$$[P_L^k A_L P_L, P_U^k A_U P_U] = [P_L^k, P_U^k] \text{ for some } [A_L, A_U] \in \mathcal{L}'_n(P_L, P_U)k-\{1_r\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } [Q_L, Q_U] &= [Z_L P_L^k, Z_U P_U^k] \\ &= [Z_L P_L^k A_L P_L, Z_U P_U^k A_U P_U] \\ &= [Q_L A_L P_L, Q_U A_U P_U] \end{aligned}$$

Thus (i) holds.

(ii) Since  $[C(Q_L), C(Q_U)] \subseteq [C(P_L^k), C(P_U^k)]$ , by Lemma (2.6), there exists  $W$  such that

$$[Q_L, Q_U] = [P_L^k W_L, P_U^k W_U]$$

Since  $[P_L, P_U]$  is left  $k$ -regular.

By Definition (3.2),  $[P_L B_L P_L^k, P_U B_U P_U^k] = [P_L^k, P_U^k]$  for some  $[B_L, B_U] \in \text{TM}[P_L, P_U]_{k-\{1\}}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } [Q_L, Q_U] &= [P_L^k W_L, P_U^k W_U] \\ &= [P_L B_L P_L^k W_L, P_U B_U P_U^k W_U] \\ &= [P_L B_L Q_L, P_U B_U Q_U] \end{aligned}$$

Thus (ii) holds.

### Theorem 3.11

For  $[P_L, P_U], [Q_L, Q_U] \in \text{IIM}_n$ , with  $[R(P_L), R(P_U)] = [R(Q_L), R(Q_U)]$  and

$[R(P_L^k), R(P_U^k)] = [R(Q_L^k), R(Q_U^k)]$  then  $[P_L, P_U]$  is right  $k$ -regular IIM iff  $[Q_L, Q_U]$  is right  $k$ -regular IIM.

#### Proof

Let  $[P_L, P_U]$  be a right  $k$ -regular IIM satisfying  $[R(Q_L^k), R(Q_U^k)] \subseteq [R(P_L^k), R(P_U^k)]$  and  $[R(P_L), R(P_U)] \subseteq [R(Q_L), R(Q_U)]$ .

since  $[R(Q_L^k), R(Q_U^k)] \subseteq [R(P_L^k), R(P_U^k)]$ ,

by Lemma (4.7)  $[Q_L^k, Q_U^k] = [Q_L^k A_L P_L, Q_U^k A_U P_U]$  for each  $k$ -g-inverse  $[A_L, A_U]$  of  $[P_L, P_U]$ .

since  $[R(P_L), R(P_U)] \subseteq [R(Q_L), R(Q_U)]$ ,

by Lemma (2.6),  $[P_L, P_U] = [B_L Q_L, B_U Q_U]$  for some  $[B_L, B_U] \in \text{IIM}_n$ .

substituting for  $[P_L, P_U]$  in  $[Q_L^k, Q_U^k] = [Q_L^k A_L P_L, Q_U^k A_U P_U]$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{we get, } [Q_L^k, Q_U^k] &= [Q_L^k A_L P_L, Q_U^k A_U P_U] \\ &= [Q_L^k A_L B_L Q_L, Q_U^k A_U B_U Q_U] \\ &= [Q_L^k Z_L Q_L, Q_U^k Z_U Q_U] \text{ where } [A_L B_L, A_U B_U] = [Z_L, Z_U] \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $[Q_L, Q_U]$  is right  $k$ -regular IIM.

Conversely, if  $[Q_L, Q_U]$  is right  $k$ -regular IIM.

satisfying  $[R(P_L^k), R(P_U^k)] \subseteq [R(Q_L^k), R(Q_U^k)]$  and  $[R(Q_L), R(Q_U)] \subseteq [R(P_L), R(P_U)]$ , then  $[P_L, P_U]$  is right  $k$ -regular IIM can be Proved in the same manner.

Hence the Theorem.

### Theorem 3.12

For  $[P_L, P_U], [Q_L, Q_U] \in \text{IIM}_n$ , with  $[C(P_L), C(P_U)] = [C(Q_L), C(Q_U)]$  and

$[C(P_L^k), C(P_U^k)]$  then  $[P_L, P_U]$  is left  $k$ -regular IIM iff  $[Q_L, Q_U]$  is left  $k$ -regular IIM.

#### Proof

This is similar to Theorem (3.11) and hence omitted.

### Theorem 3.13

For  $[P_L, P_U], [Q_L, Q_U] \in \text{IIM}_n$ , with  $[R(P_L), R(P_U)] = [R(Q_L), R(Q_U)]$  and  $[R(P_L^k), R(P_U^k)] = [R(Q_L^k), R(Q_U^k)]$

then the following are equivalent:

(i)  $[P_L, P_U]$  is right  $k$ -regular IIM

- (ii)  $P_L$  and  $P_U$  are right  $k$ -regular interval incline matrices
- (iii)  $[Q_L, Q_U]$  is right  $k$ -regular IIM
- (iv)  $Q_L$  and  $Q_U$  are right  $k$ -regular interval incline matrices

**Proof**

(i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (ii) and (iii)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iv) are precisely Theorem (3.8)

(i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iii) This follows Theorem (3.11).

**Theorem 3.14**

For  $[P_L, P_U], [Q_L, Q_U]^{TM}(\text{IIM})_n$ , with  $[C(P_L), C(P_U)] = [C(Q_L), C(Q_U)]$  and  $[C(P_L^k), C(P_U^k)] = [C(Q_L^k), C(Q_U^k)]$  then the following are equivalent:

- (i)  $[P_L, P_U]$  is left  $k$ -regular IIM
- (ii)  $P_L$  and  $P_U$  are left  $k$ -regular interval incline matrices
- (iii)  $[Q_L, Q_U]$  is left  $k$ -regular IIM
- (iv)  $Q_L$  and  $Q_U$  are left  $k$ -regular interval incline matrices

**Proof**

(i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (ii) and (iii)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iv) are precisely Theorem (3.9)

(i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iii) This follows Theorem (3.12).

**Theorem 3.15**

Let  $[P_L, P_U]^{TM}(\text{IIM})_n$  and  $k$  be a positive integer, then the following hold

- (i) If  $A = [A_L, A_U]^{TM}Pk-\{1_r\}$ , then  $\rho_c(P_L^k) = \rho_c(P_L^k A_L)$ ,  $\rho_c(P_U^k) = \rho_c(P_U^k A_U)$  and  $\rho_r(P_L^k) \leq \rho_r(A_L P_L) \leq \rho_r(A_L)$ ,  $\rho_r(P_U^k) \leq \rho_r(A_U P_U) \leq \rho_r(A_U)$
- (ii) If  $[A_L, A_U]^{TM}Pk-\{1_r\}$ , Then  $\rho_c[(P_L^k), (P_U^k)] = \rho_c[P_L^k A_L, P_U^k A_U]$  and  $\rho_r[P_L^k, P_U^k] \leq \rho_r[A_L P_L, A_U P_U] \leq \rho_r[P_L, P_U]$ .
- (iii) If  $A = [A_L, A_U]^{TM}Ak-\{1_r\}$ , then  $\rho_r(P_L^k) = \rho_r(A_L P_L^k)$ ,  $\rho_r(P_U^k) = \rho_r(A_U P_U^k)$  and  $\rho_c(P_L^k) \leq \rho_c(P_L A_L) \leq \rho_c(P_L)$ ,  $\rho_c(P_U^k) \leq \rho_c(P_U A_U) \leq \rho_c(P_U)$
- (iv) If  $[A_L, A_U]^{TM}Pk-\{1_l\}$  then  $\rho_r[P_L^k, P_U^k] = \rho_r[A_L P_L^k, A_U P_U^k]$  and  $\rho_r[P_L^k, P_U^k] \leq \rho_c[P_L A_L, P_U A_U] \leq \rho_c[P_L, P_U]$

**Proof**

Let  $[P_L, P_U]$  Since  $A = [A_L, A_U]^{TM}Pk-\{1_r\}$ ,

By Definition (3.1) and Lemma (2.5) (ii)

$$P_L^k A_L P_L = P_L^k \text{ and } P_U^k A_U P_U = P_U^k$$

By Lemma (2.7) , we get

$$C(P_L^k) = C(P_L^k A_L P_L) \subseteq C(P_L^k A_L) \subseteq C(P_L^k) \rightarrow 3.1 \text{ and}$$

$$C(P_U^k) = C(P_U^k A_U P_U) \subseteq C(P_U^k A_U) \subseteq C(P_U^k) \rightarrow 3.2$$

$$\rho_c(P_L^k) = \rho_c(P_L^k A_L) \text{ and } \rho_c(P_U^k) = \rho_c(P_U^k A_U)$$

Since  $P_L^k A_L P_L = P_L^k$  and  $P_U^k A_U P_U = P_U^k$

$$\text{we have } P_L^k = P_L^k A_L P_L = P_L^k (A_L P_L)^2 = \dots = P_L^k (A_L P_L)^k$$

$$P_U^k = P_U^k A_U P_U = P_U^k (A_U P_U)^2 = \dots = P_U^k (A_U P_U)^k$$

Therefore,  $P_L^k = P_L^k(A_L P_L)^k$ , Hence

$$R(P_L^k) = R(P_L^k(A_L P_L)^k) \subseteq R((A_L P_L)^k) \subseteq R(A_L P_L) \subseteq R(P_L) \rightarrow 3.3$$

Therefore  $R(P_L^k) \subseteq R(A_L P_L) \subseteq R(P_L)$

$$\rho_r(P_L^k) \leq \rho_r(A_L P_L) \leq \rho_r(P_L)$$

Similarly,  $P_U^k = P_U^k(A_U P_U)^k$ ,

Hence  $R(P_U^k) = R(P_U^k(A_U P_U)^k) \subseteq R((A_U P_U)^k) \subseteq R(A_U P_U) \subseteq R(P_U)$

Therefore  $R(P_U^k) \subseteq R(A_U P_U) \subseteq R(P_U) \rightarrow 3.4$

$$\rho_r(P_U^k) \leq \rho_r(A_U P_U) \leq \rho_r(P_U)$$

Thus (1) holds.

Since,  $[P_L, P_U]^{\text{TM}}(\text{IIM})_n$ , From (3.1) and (3.2)

$$\begin{aligned} C(P^k) &= [C(P_L^k), C(P_U^k)] \\ &= [C(P_L^k A_L), C(P_U^k A_U)] \\ &= C(P^k A) \end{aligned}$$

and  $\rho_c[(P_L^k), (P_U^k)] = \rho_c[P_L^k A_L, P_U^k A_U]$

Similarly From (3.3) and (3.4)

$$\begin{aligned} R(P^k) &= [R(P_L^k), R(P_U^k)] \\ &\subseteq [R(A_L P_L), R(A_U P_U)] \\ &\subseteq [R(P_L), R(P_U)] \\ &= R(P) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $[R(P_L^k), R(P_U^k)] \subseteq [R(A_L P_L), R(A_U P_U)] \subseteq [R(P_L), R(P_U)]$

$$\rho_r[(P_L^k), (P_U^k)] \leq \rho_r[A_L P_L, A_U P_U] \leq \rho_r[P_L, P_U].$$

Thus (ii) holds.

Proof is similar to that of (iii) and hence omitted.

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