The Lattice of L-fuzzy Filters in a Given R_0 -algebra

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Abstract. In the present paper, the *L*-fuzzy filter theory on R_0 -algebras is further studied. Some new properties of *L*-fuzzy filters are given. Representation theorem of *L*-fuzzy filter which is generated by a fuzzy set is established. It is proved that the set consisting of all *L*-fuzzy filters on a given R_0 -algebra, under the *L*-fuzzy set-inclusion order \Subset , forms a complete distributive lattice.

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1 Introduction

To make the computers simulate beings in dealing with certainty and uncertainty in information is one important task of artificial intelligence. Logic appears in a "sacred" (resp., a "profane") form which is dominant in proof theory (resp., model theory). The role of logic in mathematics and computer science is twofoldas a tool for applications in both areas, and a technique for laying the foundations. Nonclassical logic [1] including many-valued logic and fuzzy logic takes the advantage of classical logic to handle information with various facets of uncertainty [2], such as fuzziness and randomness. At present, nonclassical logic has become a formal and useful tool for computer science to deal with fuzzy information and uncertain information. R_0 -algebra is an important class of non-classical fuzzy logical algebras which was introduced by Wang in [3] by providing an algebra proof of the completeness theorem of the formal deductive system \mathcal{L}^* . From then, R_0 -algebras has been extensively investigated by many researchers. Among them, Jun and Liu studied the theory of filters in R_0 -algebras in [4]. The concept of fuzzy sets is introduced firstly by Zadeh in [5]. Liu and Li in [6] proposed the concept of fuzzy filters of R_0 -algebras and discussed some their properties by using fuzzy sets theory. As an extension of the concept of fuzzy filter, in [7] the author and Xu propose the notion of L-fuzzy filters of R_0 -algebras in terms of the notion of L-fuzzy set in [8], where the prefix L a lattice. In this paper, we will further research the properties of L-fuzzy filters in R_0 -algebras. The lattice structural feature of the set containing all of L-fuzzy filters in a given R_0 -algebra is investigated. It should be noticed that when L = [0, 1], then [0, 1]-fuzzy sets

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are originally meant fuzzy sets. Since [0, 1] is a special completely distributive lattice, to investigate properties of *L*-fuzzy filters, sometimes we assume that the prefix *L* is a completely distributive lattice.

2 Preliminaries

Definition 1 (cf. [3]). Let M be an algebra of type $(\neg, \lor, \rightarrow)$, where \neg is a unary operation, \lor and \rightarrow are binary operations. $(M, \neg, \lor, \rightarrow, 1)$ is called an R_0 -algebra if there is a partial order \leq such that $(M, \leq, 1)$ is a bounded distributive lattice with the greatest element 1, \lor is the supremum operation with respect to \leq , \neg is an order-reversing involution, and the following conditions hold for every $a, b, c \in M$:

 $\begin{array}{l} (\mathrm{M1}) \neg a \rightarrow \neg b = b \rightarrow a; \\ (\mathrm{M2}) \ 1 \rightarrow a = a, a \rightarrow a = 1; \\ (\mathrm{M3}) \ b \rightarrow c \leqslant (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow c); \\ (\mathrm{M4}) \ a \rightarrow (b \rightarrow c) = b \rightarrow (a \rightarrow c); \\ (\mathrm{M5}) \ a \rightarrow (b \lor c) = (a \rightarrow b) \lor (a \rightarrow c), a \rightarrow (b \land c) = (a \rightarrow b) \land (a \rightarrow c); \\ (\mathrm{M6}) \ (a \rightarrow b) \lor ((a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow (\neg a \lor b)) = 1. \end{array}$

Lemma 1 (cf. [3]). Let M be an R_0 -algebra, $a, b, c \in M$. Then the following properties hold.

 $\begin{array}{l} (\mathrm{P1}) \ a \leqslant b \ \mathrm{if} \ \mathrm{and} \ \mathrm{only} \ \mathrm{if} \ a \to b = 1; \\ (\mathrm{P2}) \ a \leqslant b \to c \ \mathrm{if} \ \mathrm{and} \ \mathrm{only} \ \mathrm{if} \ b \leqslant a \to c; \\ (\mathrm{P3}) \ (a \lor b) \to c = (a \to c) \land (b \to c), (a \land b) \to c = (a \to c) \lor (b \to c); \\ (\mathrm{P4}) \ \mathrm{If} \ b \leqslant c, \ \mathrm{then} \ a \to b \leqslant a \to c, \ \mathrm{and} \ \mathrm{if} \ a \leqslant b, \ \mathrm{then} \ b \to c \leqslant a \to c; \\ (\mathrm{P5}) \ a \to b \geqslant \neg a \lor b \ \mathrm{and} \ a \land \neg a \leqslant b \lor \neg b; \\ (\mathrm{P6}) \ (a \to b) \lor (b \to a) = 1 \ \mathrm{and} \ a \lor b = ((a \to b) \to b) \land ((b \to a) \to a); \\ (\mathrm{P7}) \ a \to (b \to a) = 1 \ \mathrm{and} \ a \to b \leqslant a \land c \to b \land c; \\ (\mathrm{P8}) \ a \to b \leqslant a \lor c \to b \lor c \ \mathrm{and} \ a \to b \leqslant a \land c \to b \land c; \\ (\mathrm{P9}) \ a \to b \leqslant (a \to c) \lor (c \to b). \end{array}$

Lemma 2 (cf. [3]). Let M be an R_0 -algebra. Define a new operator \otimes on M such that $a \otimes b = \neg(a \to \neg b)$, for every $a, b, c \in M$. Then the following properties hold.

(P10) $(M, \otimes, 1)$ is a commutative monoid with the multiplicative unit element 1; (P11) If $a \leq b$, then $a \otimes c \leq b \otimes c$; (P12) $0 \otimes a = 0$ and $a \otimes \neg a = 0$; (P13) $a \otimes b \leq a \wedge b$ and $a \otimes (a \to b) \leq b$ and $a \leq b \to (a \otimes b)$; (P14) $a \otimes b \to c = a \to (b \to c)$ and $a \otimes (b \vee c) = (a \otimes b) \vee (a \otimes c)$. Let X be a non-empty set and L a lattice. A map $\mathscr{A} : X \to L$ is called an

Let X be a non-empty set and L a lattice. A map $\mathscr{A} : X \to L$ is called an L-fuzzy subset on X. The set of all L-fuzzy subsets on X is denoted by $\mathcal{F}_L(X)$. (cf. [8]). Let \mathscr{A} and \mathscr{B} be two L-fuzzy subsets on X. We define $\mathscr{A} \cap \mathscr{B}, \mathscr{A} \cup \mathscr{B}$, $\mathscr{A} \in \mathscr{B}$ and $\mathscr{A} = \mathscr{B}$ as follows:

- (i) $(\mathscr{A} \cap \mathscr{B})(x) = \mathscr{A}(x) \land \mathscr{B}(x)$, for all $x \in X$;
- (ii) $(\mathscr{A} \cup \mathscr{B})(x) = \mathscr{A}(x) \vee \mathscr{B}(x)$, for all $x \in X$;
- (iii) $\mathscr{A} \subseteq \mathscr{B} \iff \mathscr{A}(x) \leqslant \mathscr{B}(x)$, for all $x \in X$;
- (iv) $\mathscr{A} = \mathscr{B} \iff (\mathscr{A} \Subset \mathscr{B} \text{ and } \mathscr{B} \Subset \mathscr{A}).$

3 On *L*-fuzzy Filters in R_0 -algebras

In this section, we recall the definition of L-fuzzy filters and give their some new properties.

Definition 2 (cf. [7]). Let M be an R_0 -algebra and L a lattice. An L-fuzzy subset \mathscr{A} on M is said to be an L-fuzzy filter of M, if it satisfies the following conditions:

 $\begin{array}{ll} (\mathrm{LF1}) \ \mathscr{A}(1) \geqslant \mathscr{A}(a) \ \text{for all} \ a \in M \ ; \\ (\mathrm{LF2}) \ \mathscr{A}(b) \geqslant \mathscr{A}(a) \wedge \mathscr{A}(a \to b) \ \text{for all} \ a, b \in M. \end{array}$

The set of all *L*-fuzzy filters of M is denoted by $\mathbf{LFil}(M)$.

Theorem 1. Let M be an R_0 -algebra, L a lattice and \mathscr{A} an L-fuzzy subset on M. Then $\mathscr{A} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$ if and only if it satisfies the following conditions:

(LF3) $a \leq b$ implies $\mathscr{A}(b) \geq \mathscr{A}(a)$ for all $a, b \in M$; (LF4) $\mathscr{A}(a \otimes b) \geq \mathscr{A}(a) \land \mathscr{A}(b)$ for all $a, b \in M$.

Proof. Assume that $\mathscr{A} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$. From Theorem 6 in [7], we know that \mathscr{A} satisfies the condition (LF3). Let $a, b \in M$, since $a \leq b \to (a \otimes b)$, by (LF2) and (LF3)), we have that $\mathscr{A}(a \otimes b) \ge \mathscr{A}(b) \land \mathscr{A}(b \to (a \otimes b)) \ge \mathscr{A}(a) \land \mathscr{A}(b)$. Thus \mathscr{A} also satisfies the condition (LF4). Conversely, Assume that \mathscr{A} satisfies the condition (LF4). Since $a \leq 1$, by (LF3) we have $\mathscr{A}(1) \ge \mathscr{A}(a)$. Thus \mathscr{A} satisfies the condition (LF1). From $a \otimes (a \to b) \leq b$, (LF3) and (LF4), it follows that $\mathscr{A}(b) \ge \mathscr{A}(a \otimes (a \to b)) \ge \mathscr{A}(a) \land \mathscr{A}(a \to b)$. Thus \mathscr{A} satisfies the condition (LF1). Since $a \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$ by Definition 2.

Definition 3. Let M be an R_0 -algebra, L a lattice and \mathscr{A} an L-fuzzy subset on M. An L-fuzzy subset \mathscr{A}^{λ} on M is defined as follows:

$$\mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(a) = \begin{cases} \mathscr{A}(a), & a \neq 1, \\ \mathscr{A}(1) \lor \lambda, & a = 1, \end{cases}$$
(1)

for all $a \in M$, where $\lambda \in L$.

Theorem 2. Let M be an R_0 -algebra, L a lattice and $\mathscr{A} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$. Then $\mathscr{A}^{\lambda} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$ for all $\lambda \in L$.

Proof. Firstly, for all $a, b \in M$, let $a \leq b$, we consider the following two cases:

(i) Assume that b = 1. If a = 1, we have that $\mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(b) = \mathscr{A}(1) \lor \lambda = \mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(a)$. If $a \neq 1$, by using $\mathscr{A} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$ and (LF1), we have that $\mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(b) = \mathscr{A}(1) \lor \lambda \ge \mathscr{A}(1) \ge \mathscr{A}(a) = \mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(a)$.

(ii) Assume that $b \neq 1$, then $a \neq 1$. It follows that $\mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(b) = \mathscr{A}(b) \geq \mathscr{A}(a) = \mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(a)$ from $\mathscr{A} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$ and (LF3).

Summarize above two cases, we conclude that $a \leq b$ implies $\mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(b) \geq \mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(a)$, for all $a, b \in M$. That is, \mathscr{A}^{λ} satisfies (LF3).

Secondly, for all $a, b \in M$, we consider the following two cases:

(i) Assume that $a \otimes b = 1$. If a = b = 1, it is obvious that

$$\mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(a \otimes b) = \mathscr{A}(1) \lor \lambda = \mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(a) \land \mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(b).$$

If $a = 1, b \neq 1$ or $a \neq 1, b = 1$, then $a \otimes b \neq 1$, it is a contradiction. If $a \neq 1$ and $b \neq 1$, it follows that $\mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(a) \wedge \mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(b) = \mathscr{A}(a) \wedge \mathscr{A}(b) \leqslant \mathscr{A}(a \otimes b) = \mathscr{A}(1) \leqslant \mathscr{A}(1) \lor \lambda = \mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(a \otimes b)$ from $\mathscr{A} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$, (LF4) and (1).

(ii) Assume that $a \otimes b \neq 1$. If a = b = 1, it is obvious a contradiction.

If $a = 1, b \neq 1$ or $a \neq 1, b = 1$, let's assume $a = 1, b \neq 1$, then $a \otimes b = \neg(1 \rightarrow \neg b) = b$, and so $\mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(a) \wedge \mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(b) \leq \mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(b) = \mathscr{A}(b) = \mathscr{A}(a \otimes b) = \mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(a \otimes b)$.

If $a \neq 1$ and $b \neq 1$, it follows that $\mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(a \otimes b) = \mathscr{A}(a \otimes b) \geq \mathscr{A}(a) \wedge \mathscr{A}(b) = \mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(a) \wedge \mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(b)$ from $\mathscr{A} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$ and (LF4).

Summarize above two cases, we conclude that $\mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(a \otimes b) \geq \mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(a) \wedge \mathscr{A}^{\lambda}(b)$, for all $a, b \in M$. That is, \mathscr{A}^{λ} satisfies (LF4).

Thus it follows that $\mathscr{A}^{\lambda} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$ from Theorem 1.

Definition 4. Let M be an R_0 -algebra, L a lattice and \mathscr{A}, \mathscr{B} two L-fuzzy subsets on M. Defined L-fuzzy subsets $\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}}$ and $\mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}$ on M as follows: for all $a \in M$,

$$\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}}(a) = \begin{cases} \mathscr{A}(a), & a \neq 1, \\ \mathscr{A}(1) \lor \mathscr{B}(1), & a = 1, \end{cases} \text{ and } \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}(a) = \begin{cases} \mathscr{B}(a), & a \neq 1, \\ \mathscr{B}(1) \lor \mathscr{A}(1), & a = 1. \end{cases}$$
(2)

Corollary 1. Let M be an R_0 -algebra, L a lattice and \mathscr{A}, \mathscr{B} two L-fuzzy subsets on M. If $\mathscr{A}, \mathscr{B} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$. Then $\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}}, \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$.

Definition 5. Let M be an R_0 -algebra, L a completely lattice and \mathscr{A}, \mathscr{B} two L-fuzzy subsets on M. An L-fuzzy set $\mathscr{A} \uplus \mathscr{B}$ on M is defined as follows: for all $a, x, y \in M$,

$$(\mathscr{A} \uplus \mathscr{B})(a) = \bigvee_{x \otimes y \leqslant a} \left[\mathscr{A}(x) \land \mathscr{B}(y) \right].$$
(3)

Theorem 3. Let M be an R_0 -algebra, L a completely distributive lattice and \mathscr{A}, \mathscr{B} two L-fuzzy subsets on M. If $\mathscr{A}, \mathscr{B} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$. Then $\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$.

Proof. Firstly, for all $a, b \in M$, let $a \leq b$, then $\{x \otimes y | x \otimes y \leq a\} \subseteq \{x \otimes y | x \otimes y \leq b\}$, and so

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}} \end{pmatrix} (b) = \bigvee_{x \otimes y \leqslant b} \left[\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}}(x) \land \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}(y) \right]$$
$$\geqslant \bigvee_{x \otimes y \leqslant a} \left[\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}}(x) \land \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}(y) \right] = \left(\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}} \right) (a).$$

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Hence $\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}$ satisfies (LF3). Secondly, for all $a, b \in M$, we have that

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}} \end{pmatrix} (a \otimes b)$$

$$= \bigvee_{x \otimes y \leqslant a \otimes b} \begin{bmatrix} \mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}}(x) \land \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}(y) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\geqslant \bigvee_{x_1 \otimes x_2 \leqslant a \text{ and } y_1 \otimes y_2 \leqslant b} \begin{bmatrix} \mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}}(x_1 \otimes y_1) \land \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}(x_2 \otimes y_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\geqslant \bigvee_{x_1 \otimes x_2 \leqslant a \text{ and } y_1 \otimes y_2 \leqslant b} \begin{bmatrix} \mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}}(x_1) \land \mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}}(y_1) \land \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}(x_2) \land \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}(y_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \bigvee_{x_1 \otimes x_2 \leqslant a} \begin{bmatrix} \mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}}(x_1) \land \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}(x_2) \end{bmatrix} \land \bigvee_{y_1 \otimes y_2 \leqslant b} \begin{bmatrix} \mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}}(y_1) \land \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}(y_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}} \end{pmatrix} (a) \land (\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}) (b),$$

and so $\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}$ also satisfies (LF4). Hence $\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$ by Theorem 1.

4 Generated *L*-fuzzy Filter by an *L*-fuzzy Subset

In this section, we give the notion of generated L-fuzzy filter by an L-fuzzy subset and establish its representation theorem.

Definition 6. Let M be an R_0 -algebra, L a lattice and \mathscr{A} an L-fuzzy subset on M. An L-fuzzy filter \mathscr{B} of M is called the generated L-fuzzy filter by \mathscr{A} , denoted $\langle \mathscr{A} \rangle$, if $\mathscr{A} \Subset \mathscr{B}$ and for any $\mathscr{C} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$, $\mathscr{A} \Subset \mathscr{C}$ implies $\mathscr{B} \Subset \mathscr{C}$.

Theorem 4. Let M be an R_0 -algebra, L a completely distributive lattice and \mathscr{A} an L-fuzzy subset on M. An L-fuzzy subset \mathscr{B} on M is defined as follows:

$$\mathscr{B}(a) = \bigvee \left\{ \mathscr{A}(x_1) \wedge \cdots \, \mathscr{A}(x_n) | x_1, x_2, \cdots, x_n \in M \text{ and } x_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes x_n \leqslant a \right\},$$
(4)

for all $a \in M$. Then $\mathscr{B} = \langle \mathscr{A} \rangle$.

Proof. Firstly, we prove that $\mathscr{B} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$. For all $a, b \in M$, let $a \leq b$. Then

$$\mathscr{A}(a) = \bigvee \{ \mathscr{A}(x_1) \land \cdots \mathscr{A}(x_n) | x_1, x_2, \cdots, x_n \in M \text{ and } x_1 \otimes x_2 \otimes \cdots \otimes x_n \leqslant a \}$$
$$\leqslant \bigvee \{ \mathscr{A}(x_1) \land \cdots \mathscr{A}(x_n) | x_1, x_2, \cdots, x_n \in M \text{ and } x_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes x_n \leqslant b \} = \mathscr{B}(b)$$

Thus \mathscr{B} satisfies (LF3). Assume that there are $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in M$ and $y_1, \dots, y_m \in M$ such that $x_1 \otimes x_2 \otimes \dots \otimes x_n \leq a$ and $y_1 \otimes y_2 \otimes \dots \otimes y_m \leq b$, we have that $x_1 \otimes x_2 \otimes \dots \otimes x_n \otimes y_1 \otimes y_2 \otimes \dots \otimes y_m \leq a \otimes b$ by (P11). Thus, we can

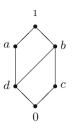


Table 1. Def. of " \rightarrow "						
\rightarrow	0	a	b	c	d	1
0	1	1	1	1	1	1
a	c	1	b	c	b	1
b	d	a	1	b	a	1
c	a	a	1	1	a	1
d	b	1	1	b	1	1
1	0	a	b	c	d	1

Fig. 1. The Hasse diagram of M

obtain that

Hence \mathscr{B} also satisfies (LF4). It follows from Theorem 1 that $\mathscr{B} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$.

Secondly, For any $a \in M$, it follows from $a \leq a$ and the definition of \mathscr{B} that $\mathscr{A}(a) \leq \mathscr{B}(a)$. This means that $\mathscr{A} \subseteq \mathscr{B}$.

Finally, assume that $\mathscr{C} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$ with $\mathscr{A} \subseteq \mathscr{C}$. Then for any $a \in M$, we have

$$\mathscr{B}(a) = \bigvee \{\mathscr{A}(x_1) \land \dots \land \mathscr{A}(x_n) | x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in M \text{ and } x_1 \otimes x_2 \otimes \dots \otimes x_n \leqslant a \}$$
$$\leqslant \bigvee \{\mathscr{C}(x_1) \land \dots \land \mathscr{C}(x_n) | x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in M \text{ and } x_1 \otimes x_2 \otimes \dots \otimes x_n \leqslant a \}$$
$$\leqslant \bigvee \{\mathscr{C}(x_1 \otimes \dots \otimes x_n) | x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in M \text{ and } x_1 \otimes x_2 \otimes \dots \otimes x_n \leqslant a \}$$
$$\leqslant \bigvee \{\mathscr{C}(a)\} = \mathscr{C}(a).$$

Hence $\mathscr{B} \in \mathscr{C}$ holds. To sum up, we have that $\mathscr{B} = \langle \mathscr{A} \rangle$.

Example 1. Let $M = \{0, a, b, c, d, 1\}$, $\neg 0 = 1$, $\neg a = c$, $\neg b = d$, $\neg c = a$, $\neg d = b$, $\neg 1 = 0$, the Hasse diagram of lattice $(M, \lor, \land, \leqslant)$ be defined as Fig. 1, and the binary operator \rightarrow of M be defined as Table 1.

Then $(M, \neg, \lor, \rightarrow, 1)$ is an R_0 -algebra. Take $L = ([0, 1], \max, \min)$ and define an [0,1]-fuzzy subset \mathscr{A} on M by $\mathscr{A}(1) = \mathscr{A}(c) = \alpha, \mathscr{A}(a) = \mathscr{A}(b) = \mathscr{A}(d) =$ $\mathscr{A}(0) = \beta, \ 0 \leq \beta < \alpha \leq 1$. Since $c \leq b$ but $\mathscr{A}(b) = \beta \geq \alpha = \mathscr{A}(c)$, we know that $\mathscr{A} \notin \mathbf{LFil}(M)$. It is easy to verify that $\langle \mathscr{A} \rangle \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$ from Theorem 4, where $\langle \mathscr{A} \rangle(1) = \langle \mathscr{A} \rangle(b) = \langle \mathscr{A} \rangle(c) = \alpha, \langle \mathscr{A} \rangle(a) = \langle \mathscr{A} \rangle(d) = \langle \mathscr{A} \rangle(0) = \beta$.

5 The Lattice of *L*-fuzzy Filters in a Given R_0 -algebra

In this section, we investigate the lattice structural feature of the set $\mathbf{LFil}(M)$ under the *L*-fuzzy set-inclusion order \subseteq .

Theorem 5. Let M be an R_0 -algebra and L a complete lattice. Then $(\mathbf{LFil}(M), \subseteq)$ is a complete lattice.

Proof. For any $\{\mathscr{A}_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \subseteq \mathbf{LFil}(M)$, where Λ is an indexed set. It is easy to verify that $\bigcap_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \mathscr{A}_{\alpha} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$ is infimum of $\{\mathscr{A}_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$, where $(\bigcap_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \mathscr{A}_{\alpha})(a) =$ $\bigwedge_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \mathscr{A}_{\alpha}(a)$ for all $a \in M$. i.e., $\bigwedge_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \mathscr{A}_{\alpha} = \bigcap_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \mathscr{A}_{\alpha}$. Define $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \mathscr{A}_{\alpha}$ such that $(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \mathscr{A}_{\alpha})(a) = \bigvee_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \mathscr{A}_{\alpha}(a)$ for all $a \in M$. Then $(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \mathscr{A}_{\alpha})$ is supermun of $\{\mathscr{A}_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$, where $(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \mathscr{A}_{\alpha})$ is the *L*-fuzzy filter generated by $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \mathscr{A}_{\alpha}$ of *M*. i.e., $\bigvee_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \mathscr{A}_{\alpha} = (\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \mathscr{A}_{\alpha})$. Therefor $(\mathbf{LFil}(M), \Subset)$ is a complete lattice. The proof is completed.

Remark 1. Let M be an R_0 -algebra and L a complete lattice. For all $\mathscr{A}, \mathscr{B} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$, by Theorem 5 we know that $\mathscr{A} \wedge \mathscr{B} = \mathscr{A} \cap \mathscr{B}$ and $\mathscr{A} \vee \mathscr{B} = \langle \mathscr{A} \cup \mathscr{B} \rangle$.

Theorem 6. Let M be an R_0 -algebra and L a completely distributive lattice. Then for all $\mathscr{A}, \mathscr{B} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M), \mathscr{A} \vee \mathscr{B} = \langle \mathscr{A} \sqcup \mathscr{B} \rangle = \mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \sqcup \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}$ in the complete lattice $(\mathbf{LFil}(M), \Subset)$.

Proof. For all $\mathscr{A}, \mathscr{B} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$, it is obvious that $\mathscr{A} \Subset \mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}$ and $\mathscr{B} \Subset \mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}$, that is, $\mathscr{A}(a) \leq (\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}})(a)$ and $\mathscr{B}(a) \leq (\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}})(a)$ for all $a \in M$. Thus $(\mathscr{A} \uplus \mathscr{B})(a) = \mathscr{A}(a) \lor \mathscr{B}(a) \leq (\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}})(a)$, that is, $\mathscr{A} \sqcup \mathscr{B} \Subset \mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}$, and thus $\langle \mathscr{A} \sqcup \mathscr{B} \rangle \Subset \mathscr{B} \simeq \mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$ by Theorem 3. Let $\mathscr{C} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$ such that $\mathscr{A} \sqcup \mathscr{B} \Subset \mathscr{C}$. For all $a \in M$, we consider the following two cases:

(i) If
$$a = 1$$
, then $\left(\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}\right)(1) = \bigvee_{\substack{x \otimes y \leq 1 \\ x \otimes y \leq 1}} \left[\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}}(x) \land \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}(y)\right] = \mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}}(1) \land \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}(1) = \mathscr{A}(1) \lor \mathscr{B}(1) = (\mathscr{A} \uplus \mathscr{B})(1) \leq \mathscr{C}(1).$

(ii) If a < 1, then we have

$$\begin{split} \left(\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}\right)(a) &= \bigvee_{x \otimes y \leqslant a} \left[\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}}(x) \wedge \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}(y)\right] \\ &= \bigvee_{x \otimes y \leqslant a, x \neq 1, y \neq 1} \left[\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}}(x) \wedge \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}(y)\right] \vee \bigvee_{x \leqslant a} \left\{\mathscr{A}(x) \wedge [\mathscr{A}(1) \vee \mathscr{B}(1)]\right\} \\ &\quad \vee \bigvee_{y \leqslant a} \left\{[\mathscr{A}(1) \vee \mathscr{B}(1)] \wedge \mathscr{B}(y)\right\} \\ &= \bigvee_{x \otimes y \leqslant a, x \neq 1, y \neq 1} \left[\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}}(x) \wedge \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}(y)\right] \vee \left[\bigvee_{x \leqslant a} \mathscr{A}(x)\right] \vee \left[\bigvee_{y \leqslant a} \mathscr{B}(y)\right] \\ &\leqslant \bigvee_{x \otimes y \leqslant a, x \neq 1, y \neq 1} \left[\mathscr{C}(x) \wedge \mathscr{C}(y)\right] \vee \left[\bigvee_{x \leqslant a} \mathscr{C}(x)\right] \vee \left[\bigvee_{y \leqslant a} \mathscr{C}(y)\right] \\ &= \bigvee_{x \otimes y \leqslant a} \left[\mathscr{C}(x) \wedge \mathscr{C}(y)\right] \leqslant \bigvee_{x \otimes y \leqslant a} \mathscr{C}(x \otimes y) \leqslant \mathscr{C}(a), \end{split}$$

thus $\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}} \Subset \mathscr{C}$ for above two cases.

By Definition 6 and Theorem 4 we have that $\mathscr{A} \vee \mathscr{B} = \langle \mathscr{A} \sqcup \mathscr{B} \rangle = \mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \sqcup \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}$.

Theorem 7. Let M be an R_0 -algebra and L a completely distributive lattice. Then $(\mathbf{LFil}(M), \Subset)$ is a distributive lattice, where, $\mathscr{A} \land \mathscr{B} = \mathscr{A} \cap \mathscr{B}$ and $\mathscr{A} \lor \mathscr{B} = \langle \mathscr{A} \sqcup \mathscr{B} \rangle$, for all $\mathscr{A}, \mathscr{B} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$.

Proof. To finish the proof, it suffices to show that $\mathscr{C} \wedge (\mathscr{A} \vee \mathscr{B}) = (\mathscr{C} \wedge \mathscr{A}) \vee (\mathscr{C} \wedge \mathscr{B})$, for all $\mathscr{A}, \mathscr{B}, \mathscr{C} \in \mathbf{LFil}(M)$. Since the inequality $(\mathscr{C} \wedge \mathscr{A}) \vee (\mathscr{C} \wedge \mathscr{B}) \Subset \mathscr{C} \wedge (\mathscr{A} \vee \mathscr{B})$ holds automatically in a lattice, we need only to show the inequality $\mathscr{C} \wedge (\mathscr{A} \vee \mathscr{B}) \Subset (\mathscr{C} \wedge \mathscr{A}) \vee (\mathscr{C} \wedge \mathscr{B})$. i.e., we need only to show that $(\mathscr{C} \cap (\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}))(a) \leqslant ((\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{A})^{\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{B}} \uplus (\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{B})^{\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{A}})(a)$, for all $a \in M$. For these, we consider the following two cases:

(i) If a = 1, we have

$$\begin{split} & \left(\mathscr{C} \cap \left(\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}\right)\right)(1) = \mathscr{C}(1) \land \left(\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}\right)(1) \\ & = \mathscr{C}(1) \land \bigvee_{x \otimes y \leqslant 1} \left[\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}}(x) \land \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}(y)\right] = \mathscr{C}(1) \land \left[\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}}(1) \land \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}(1)\right] \\ & = \left[\mathscr{C}(1) \land \mathscr{A}(1)\right] \lor \left[\mathscr{C}(1) \land \mathscr{B}(1)\right] = \left(\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{A}\right)(1) \lor \left(\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{B}\right)(1) \\ & = \left(\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{A}\right)^{\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{B}}(1) \land \left(\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{B}\right)^{\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{A}}(1) \\ & = \bigvee_{x \otimes y \leqslant 1} \left[\left(\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{A}\right)^{\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{B}}(x) \land \left(\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{B}\right)^{\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{A}}(y) \right] \\ & = \left(\left(\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{A}\right)^{\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{B}} \uplus \left(\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{B}\right)^{\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{A}}\right)(1). \end{split}$$

(ii) If a < 1, we have

$$\begin{split} & \left(\mathscr{C} \oplus \left(\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \oplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}\right)\right)(a) = \mathscr{C}(a) \land \left(\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \oplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}\right)(a) \\ &= \mathscr{C}(a) \land \bigvee_{x \otimes y \leq a} \left[\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}}(x) \land \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}(y)\right] = \bigvee_{x \otimes y \leq a} \left[\mathscr{C}(a) \land \mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}}(x) \land \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}(y)\right] \\ &= \bigvee_{x \otimes y \leq a, x \neq 1, y \neq 1} \left[\mathscr{C}(a) \land \mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}}(1) \land \mathscr{B}(y)\right] \lor \bigvee_{x \leq a} \left[\mathscr{C}(a) \land \mathscr{A}(x) \land \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}(1)\right] \\ &= \bigvee_{y \leq a} \left[\mathscr{C}(a) \land \mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}}(1) \land \mathscr{A}(x)\right] \land \left[\mathscr{C}(a) \land \mathscr{B}(y)\right]\right] \lor \\ &= \bigvee_{y \leq a} \left\{\left[\mathscr{C}(a) \land \mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}}(1)\right] \land \left[\mathscr{C}(a) \land \mathscr{B}(y)\right]\right\} \lor \\ &= \bigvee_{x \leq y \leq a, x \neq 1, y \neq 1} \left\{\left[\mathscr{C}(a \lor x) \land \mathscr{A}(a \lor x)\right] \land \left[\mathscr{C}(a \lor y) \land \mathscr{B}(a \lor y)\right]\right\} \lor \\ &= \bigvee_{x \leq y \leq a, x \neq 1, y \neq 1} \left\{\left[\mathscr{C}(1) \land (\mathscr{A}(1) \lor \mathscr{B}(1))\right] \land \left[\mathscr{C}(a \lor y) \land \mathscr{B}(a \lor y)\right]\right\} \lor \\ &= \bigvee_{x \leq y \leq a, x \neq 1, y \neq 1} \left\{\left[\mathscr{C}(n \land \mathscr{A}) \land (\mathscr{C} \oplus \mathscr{B})(a \lor x)\right] \land \left[\mathscr{C}(1) \land (\mathscr{B}(1) \lor \mathscr{A}(1))\right]\right\} \end{aligned} \\ &= \bigvee_{x \leq y \leq a, x \neq 1, y \neq 1} \left[\left(\mathscr{C} \oplus \mathscr{A}\right)(a \lor x) \land (\mathscr{C} \oplus \mathscr{B})(a \lor y)\right] \lor \\ &= \bigvee_{x \leq a} \left\{\left[(\mathscr{C} \oplus \mathscr{A})(a \lor x) \land (\mathscr{C} \oplus \mathscr{B})(a \lor y)\right] \lor \\ &= \bigvee_{x \leq a} \left\{\left[(\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{A})(a \lor x) \land (\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{B})^{\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{A}}(a \lor y)\right] \lor \\ &= \bigvee_{x \leq y \leq a, x \neq 1, y \neq 1} \left[\left(\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{A}\right)^{\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{A}}(a \lor x) \land (\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{B})^{\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{A}}(a \lor y)\right] \lor \\ &= \bigvee_{x \leq y \leq a, x \neq 1, y \neq 1} \left[\left(\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{A}\right)^{\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{A}}(a \lor x) \land (\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{B})^{\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{A}}(a \lor y)\right] \lor \\ &= \bigvee_{x \leq y \leq a, x \neq 1, y \neq 1} \left[\left(\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{A}\right)^{\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{A}}(a \lor x) \land (\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{B})^{\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{A}}(a \lor y)\right] \lor \\ &= \bigvee_{x \leq y \leq a, x \neq 1, y \neq 1} \left[\left(\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{A}\right)^{\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{A}}(a \lor x) \land (\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{B})^{\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{A}}(a \lor y)\right] \lor \\ &= \bigvee_{x \leq y \leq a, x \land 1} \land (\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{B})^{\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{A}}(a \lor y) \right] \lor \\ &= \bigvee_{x \leq y \leq a, x \land 1, y \land 1} \left(\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{B})^{\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{A}}(a \lor y) \land (\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{A}) \land (\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{B})^{\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{A}}(a \lor y)\right] \lor \\ &= \bigvee_{x \leq y \leq a, x \land 1} \land (\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{B})^{\mathscr{C} \otimes \mathscr{A}}(a \lor y) \right] \lor$$

Let $a \lor x = u$ and $a \lor y = v$, since $x \otimes y \leq a$, using Lemma 2 we get that

$$\begin{aligned} u \otimes v &= (a \lor x) \otimes (a \lor y) = ((a \lor x) \otimes a) \lor ((a \lor x) \otimes y) \\ &= (a \otimes a) \lor (a \otimes x) \lor (a \otimes y) \lor (x \otimes y) \\ &\leqslant a \lor a \lor a \lor (x \otimes y) \\ &= a \lor (x \otimes y) \leqslant a \lor a = a. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we can conclude that

$$\begin{split} \left(\mathscr{C} \cap \left(\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}\right)\right)(a) &\leqslant \bigvee_{x \otimes y \leqslant a} \left[\left(\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{A}\right)^{\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{B}} (a \lor x) \land \left(\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{B}\right)^{\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{A}} (a \lor y) \right] \\ &\leqslant \bigvee_{u \otimes v \leqslant a} \left[\left(\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{A}\right)^{\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{B}} (u) \land \left(\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{B}\right)^{\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{A}} (v) \right] \\ &= \left(\left(\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{A}\right)^{\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{B}} \uplus \left(\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{B}\right)^{\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{A}} \right) (a). \end{split}$$

To sum up, we have that

$$\left(\mathscr{C} \cap \left(\mathscr{A}^{\mathscr{B}} \uplus \mathscr{B}^{\mathscr{A}}\right)\right)(a) \leqslant \left(\left(\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{A}\right)^{\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{B}} \uplus \left(\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{B}\right)^{\mathscr{C} \cap \mathscr{A}}\right)(a)$$

for all $a \in M$. The proof is completed.

6 Conclusion

As well known, filters is an important concept for studying the structural features of R_0 -algebras. In this paper, the *L*-fuzzy filter theory in R_0 -algebras is further studied. Some new properties of *L*-fuzzy filters are given. Representation theorem of *L*-fuzzy filter which is generated by an *L*-fuzzy subset is established. It is proved that the set consisting of all *L*-fuzzy filters in a given R_0 -algebra, under the *L*-fuzzy set-inclusion order \Subset , forms a complete distributive lattice. Results obtained in this paper not only enrich the content of *L*-fuzzy filters theory in R_0 -algebras, but also show interactions of algebraic technique and *L*-fuzzy sets method in the studying of logic problems. We hope that more links of fuzzy sets and logics emerge by the stipulating of this work.

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