

## FUZZY COMPLETE LATTICES AND DISTANCE SPACES

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper, we introduce the notions of fuzzy join (resp. meet) complete lattices and distance spaces in complete co-residuated lattices. Moreover, we investigate the relations between Alexandrov pretopologies (resp. precotopologies) and fuzzy join (resp. meet) complete lattices, respectively. We give their examples.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

As an algebraic structure for many valued logic, a complete residuated lattice is an important mathematical tool [1-4, 6-11, 15, 16]. For an extension of classical rough sets introduced by Pawlak [12, 13], many researchers [1, 6-11] developed  $L$ -lower and  $L$ -upper approximation operators in complete residuated lattices. By using the concepts of lower and upper approximation operators, fuzzy concepts, information systems and decision rules are investigated in complete residuated lattices [1-4, 6-11, 15, 16].

Zhang et al. [17, 18] introduced the notion of fuzzy complete lattices using fuzzy partially order on a frame as generalizations of usual complete lattices. Based on residuated lattices as an extension of frame, Zhang [19] introduced the notions of partially orders, join, meet and fuzzy completeness.

Kim et al. [7-10] studied the properties of fuzzy join and meet completeness,  $L$ -fuzzy upper and lower approximation spaces and Alexandrov  $L$ -topologies with fuzzy partially ordered spaces in complete residuated lattices. Zheng and Wang [20] introduced complete co-residuated lattices. By using this concepts, lower and upper

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approximation operators, fuzzy rough sets and information systems are investigated [6].

In this paper, we introduce the concepts of fuzzy join and meet complete lattices using distance spaces instead of fuzzy partially ordered spaces [19] in complete co-residuated lattices. We show that fuzzy join (resp. meet) complete lattices and Alexandrov pretopologies (resp. precotopologies) are equivalent, respectively. Moreover, their properties and examples are investigated.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

**Definition 2.1** ([6, 20]). An algebra  $(L, \wedge, \vee, \oplus, 0, 1)$  is called a *complete co-residuated lattice* if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (Q1)  $L = (L, \leq, \vee, \wedge, 0, 1)$  is a complete lattice where 0 is the bottom element and 1 is the top element.
- (Q2)  $a = a \oplus 0$ ,  $a \oplus b = b \oplus a$  and  $a \oplus (b \oplus c) = (a \oplus b) \oplus c$  for all  $a, b, c \in L$ .
- (Q3)  $(\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} a_i) \oplus b = \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} (a_i \oplus b)$ .

**Remark 2.2.** (1) An infinitely distributive lattice  $(L, \leq, \vee, \wedge, \oplus = \vee, 0, 1)$  is a complete co-residuated lattice. In particular, the unit interval  $([0, 1], \leq, \vee, \wedge, \oplus = \vee, 0, 1)$  is a complete co-residuated lattice [4,15].

(2) The unit interval with a right-continuous t-conorm  $\oplus$ ,  $([0, 1], \leq, \oplus)$ , is a complete co-residuated lattice [1,4,15].

(3) Let  $(L, \leq, \oplus)$  be a complete co-residuated lattice. For each  $x, y \in L$ , we define

$$x \ominus y = \bigwedge \{z \in L \mid x \oplus z \geq y\}.$$

Then  $(x \oplus y) \geq z$  iff  $x \geq (y \ominus z)$ .

(4)  $([0, \infty], \leq, \vee, \oplus = +, \wedge, \infty, 0)$  is a commutative unital co-quantale where

$$\begin{aligned} x \ominus y &= \bigwedge \{z \in [0, \infty] \mid x + z \geq y\} \\ &= \bigwedge \{z \in [0, \infty] \mid z \geq -x + y\} = (y - x) \vee 0, \\ \infty + a &= a + \infty = \infty, \forall a \in [0, \infty], \infty \rightarrow \infty = 0. \end{aligned}$$

In this paper, we assume  $(L, \wedge, \vee, \oplus, \ominus, 0, 1)$  is a complete co-residuated lattice. For  $\alpha \in L, A \in L^X$ , we denote  $(\alpha \ominus A), (\alpha \oplus A), \alpha_X \in L^X$  as  $(\alpha \ominus A)(x) = \alpha \ominus A(x)$ ,  $(\alpha \oplus A)(x) = \alpha \oplus A(x)$ ,  $\alpha_X(x) = \alpha$ .

**Lemma 2.3.** *Let  $(L, \wedge, \vee, \oplus, \ominus, 0, 1)$  be a complete co-residuated lattice. For each  $x, y, z, x_i, y_i \in L$ , we have the following properties.*

- (1) If  $y \leq z$ ,  $(x \oplus y) \leq (x \oplus z)$ , then  $x \ominus y \leq x \ominus z$  and  $z \ominus x \leq y \ominus x$ .  
(2)  $x \ominus (\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} y_i) = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (x \ominus y_i)$  and  $(\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} x_i) \ominus y = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (x_i \ominus y)$ .  
(3)  $x \ominus (\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} y_i) \leq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} (x \ominus y_i)$ .  
(4)  $(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} x_i) \ominus y \leq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} (x_i \ominus y)$ .  
(5)  $x \oplus (x \ominus y) \geq y$ ,  $(x \ominus y) \ominus y \leq x$  and  $(x \ominus y) \oplus (y \ominus z) \geq x \ominus z$ .  
(6)  $(x \oplus y) \ominus z = x \ominus (y \oplus z) = y \ominus (x \oplus z)$ .  
(7)  $x \ominus y \geq (x \oplus z) \ominus (y \oplus z)$ ,  $x \ominus y \geq (y \ominus z) \ominus (x \oplus z)$  and  $(x \oplus y) \ominus (z \oplus w) \leq (x \ominus z) \oplus (y \ominus w)$ .  
(8)  $x \ominus x = 0$ ,  $0 \ominus x = x$ . Moreover,  $x \ominus y = 0$  iff  $x \geq y$ .

*Proof.* (1) Since  $y = y \wedge z$ ,  $x \oplus y = x \oplus (y \wedge z) = (x \oplus y) \wedge (x \oplus z)$ . Then  $(x \oplus y) \leq (x \oplus z)$ . Since  $y \leq z \leq x \oplus (x \ominus z)$ ,  $x \ominus y \leq x \ominus z$ . Since  $x \leq y \oplus (y \ominus x) \leq z \oplus (y \ominus x)$ ,  $z \ominus x \leq y \ominus x$ .

(2) By (1),  $x \ominus (\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} y_i) \geq \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (x \ominus y_i)$ . Since  $x \oplus \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (x \ominus y_i) \geq \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (x \oplus (x \ominus y_i)) \geq \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} y_i$ ,  $x \ominus (\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} y_i) \leq \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (x \ominus y_i)$ .

By (1),  $(\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} x_i) \ominus y \geq \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (x_i \ominus y)$ . Since  $(\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} x_i) \oplus \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (x_i \ominus y) \geq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} (x_i \oplus (x_i \ominus y)) \geq y$ ,  $(\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} x_i) \ominus y \leq \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (x_i \ominus y)$ .

(3) and (4) are easily proved from (1).

(5) Since  $x \ominus y \geq x \ominus y$ ,  $x \oplus (x \ominus y) \geq y$ . Moreover,  $x \geq (x \ominus y) \ominus y$ . Since  $x \oplus (x \ominus y) \oplus (y \ominus z) \geq y \oplus (y \ominus z) \geq z$ ,  $(x \ominus y) \oplus (y \ominus z) \geq x \ominus z$ .

(6) We have  $x \oplus y \oplus ((x \oplus y) \ominus z) \geq z$  if and only if  $x \oplus ((x \oplus y) \ominus z) \geq y \oplus z$ . Thus  $(x \oplus y) \ominus z \geq x \ominus (y \oplus z)$ .

Since  $x \oplus y \oplus (x \ominus (y \oplus z)) \geq y \oplus (y \oplus z) \geq z$ ,  $x \ominus (y \oplus z) \geq (x \oplus y) \ominus z$ .

Similarly,  $(x \oplus y) \ominus z = y \ominus (x \oplus z)$ .

(7) Since  $(x \oplus z) \oplus (x \ominus y) \geq y \oplus z$ ,  $x \ominus y \geq (x \oplus z) \ominus (y \oplus z)$ . Since  $x \oplus (x \ominus y) \oplus (y \ominus z) \geq z$ ,  $x \ominus y \geq (y \ominus z) \ominus (x \oplus z)$ .

Since  $z \oplus w \leq x \oplus (x \ominus z) \oplus y \oplus (y \ominus w)$ ,  $(x \oplus y) \ominus (z \oplus w) \leq (x \ominus z) \oplus (y \ominus w)$ .

(8) For  $x \in L$ ,  $x \ominus x = \bigwedge \{z \in L \mid x \oplus z \geq x\} = 0$  and  $0 \ominus x = \bigwedge \{z \in L \mid 0 \oplus z \geq x\} = x$ .  $\square$

**Definition 2.4.** Let  $(L, \wedge, \vee, \oplus, \ominus, 0, 1)$  be a complete co-residuated lattice. Let  $X$  be a set. A function  $d_X : X \times X \rightarrow L$  is called a *distance function* if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (M1)  $d_X(x, x) = 0$  for all  $x \in X$ ,  
(M2)  $d_X(x, y) \oplus d_X(y, z) \geq d_X(x, z)$ , for all  $x, y, z \in X$ ,  
(M3) if  $d_X(x, y) = d_X(y, x) = 0$ , then  $x = y$ .

The pair  $(X, d_X)$  is called a *distance space*.

**Remark 2.5.** (1) We define a distance function  $d_X : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ . Then  $(X, d_X)$  is called a non-symmetric pseudo-metric space.

(2) Let  $(L, \wedge, \vee, \oplus, \ominus, 0, 1)$  be a complete co-residuated lattice. Define a function  $d_L : L \times L \rightarrow L$  as  $d_L(x, y) = x \ominus y$ . By Lemma 2.3 (5) and (8),  $(L, d_L)$  is a distance space. Moreover, we define a function  $d_{L^X} : L^X \times L^X \rightarrow L$  as  $d_{L^X}(A, B) = \bigvee_{x \in X} (A(x) \ominus B(x))$ . Then  $(L^X, d_{L^X})$  is a distance space.

(3) We define a function  $d_{[0, \infty]^X} : [0, \infty]^X \times [0, \infty]^X \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  as  $d_{[0, \infty]^X}(A, B) = \bigvee_{x \in X} (A(x) \ominus B(x)) = \bigvee_{x \in X} ((B(x) - A(x)) \vee 0)$ . Then  $([0, \infty]^X, d_{[0, \infty]^X})$  is a non-symmetric pseudo-metric space.

(4) If  $(X, d_X)$  is a distance space and we define a function  $d_X^{-1}(x, y) = d_X(y, x)$ , then  $(X, d_X^{-1})$  is a distance space.

(5) Let  $(L, \wedge, \vee, \oplus, \ominus, 0, 1)$  be a complete co-residuated lattice. Let  $(X, d_X)$  be a distance space and define  $(d_X \uplus d_X)(x, z) = \bigwedge_{y \in X} (d_X(x, y) \oplus d_X(y, z))$  for each  $x, z \in X$ . By (M2),  $(d_X \uplus d_X)(x, z) \geq d_X(x, z)$  and  $(d_X \uplus d_X)(x, z) \leq d_X(x, x) \oplus d_X(x, z) = d(x, z)$ . Hence  $(d_X \uplus d_X) = d_X$ .

(6) If  $d_X$  is a distance function and  $d_X^{-1}(x, y) = d_X(y, x)$  for each  $x, y \in X$ , then  $d_X^{-1}$  is a distance function.

### 3. FUZZY COMPLETE LATTICES AND DISTANCE SPACES

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $(X, d_X)$  be a distance space and  $A \in L^X$ .

(1) A point  $x_0$  is called a *fuzzy join* of  $A$ , denoted by  $x_0 = \sqcup_X A$ , if it satisfies

$$(J1) \quad A(x) \geq d_X(x_0, x),$$

$$(J2) \quad \bigvee_{x \in X} (A(x) \ominus d_X(y, x)) \geq d_X(y, x_0).$$

The pair  $(X, d_X)$  is called *fuzzy join complete* if  $\sqcup_X A$  exists for each  $A \in L^X$ .

A point  $x_1$  is called a *fuzzy meet* of  $A$ , denoted by  $x_1 = \sqcap_X A$ , if it satisfies

$$(M1) \quad A(x) \geq d_X(x, x_1),$$

$$(M2) \quad \bigvee_{x \in X} (A(x) \ominus d_X(x, y)) \geq d_X(x_1, y).$$

The pair  $(X, d_X)$  is called *fuzzy meet complete* if  $\sqcap_X A$  exists for each  $A \in L^X$ .

The pair  $(X, d_X)$  is called *fuzzy complete* if  $\sqcap_X A$  and  $\sqcup_X A$  exists for each  $A \in L^X$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $(X, d_X)$  be a distance space and  $\Phi \in L^X$ .

(1) A point  $x_0$  is a fuzzy join of  $\Phi$  iff  $\bigvee_{x \in X} (\Phi(x) \ominus d_X(y, x)) = d_X(y, x_0)$ .

(2) A point  $x_1$  is a fuzzy meet of  $\Phi$  iff  $\bigvee_{x \in X} (\Phi(x) \ominus d_X(x, y)) = d_X(x_1, y)$ .

(3) If  $\sqcup_X \Phi$  is a fuzzy join of  $\Phi \in L^X$ , then it is unique. Moreover, if  $\sqcap_X \Phi$  is a fuzzy meet of  $\Phi \in L^X$ , then it is unique.

*Proof* (1) Let  $\sqcup_X \Phi$  be a fuzzy join of  $\Phi \in L^X$ . By (J1), since  $\Phi(x) \geq d_\tau(\sqcup_X \Phi, x)$ , we have  $\Phi(x) \oplus d_X(y, \sqcup_X \Phi) \geq d_X(\sqcup_X \Phi, x) \oplus d_X(y, \sqcup_X \Phi) \geq d_X(y, x)$ . Hence  $d_X(y, \sqcup_X \Phi) \geq \bigvee_{x \in X} (\Phi(x) \ominus d_X(y, x))$ . By (J2),  $d_X(y, \sqcup_X \Phi) = \bigvee_{x \in X} (\Phi(x) \ominus d_X(y, x))$ .

Conversely,  $d_X(y, \sqcup_X \Phi) \geq (\Phi(x) \ominus d_X(y, x))$  if and only if  $\Phi(x) \geq d_X(y, \sqcup_X \Phi) \oplus d_X(y, x)$ . Put  $y = \sqcup_X \Phi$ . Then  $\Phi(x) \geq d_X(\sqcup_X \Phi, x)$ .

(2) It is similarly proved as (1).

(3) Let  $x_1, x_2$  be fuzzy joins of  $\Phi \in L^X$ . For all  $y \in X$ , we have

$$\bigvee_{x \in X} (\Phi(x) \ominus d_X(y, x)) = d_X(y, x_1) = d_X(y, x_2).$$

Put  $y = x_1$ . Then  $0 = d_X(x_1, x_1) = d_X(x_1, x_2)$ . Put  $y = x_2$ . Then  $\square$

**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $(X, d_X)$  be a distance space and  $A, B \in L^X$ .

(1) If  $\sqcup_X A, \sqcup_X B$  exist,  $d_{L^X}(A, B) \geq d_X(\sqcup_X B, \sqcup_X A)$ ,

(2) If  $\sqcap_X A, \sqcap_X B$  exist,  $d_{L^X}(A, B) \geq d_X(\sqcap_X A, \sqcap_X B)$ .

*Proof.* (1) For each  $A, B \in L^X$ ,  $d_{L^X}(A, B) = \bigvee_{x \in X} (A(x) \ominus B(x)) \geq \bigvee_{x \in X} (A(x) \ominus d_X(\sqcup_X B, x)) \geq d_X(\sqcup_X B, \sqcup_X A)$ .

(2) For each  $A, B \in L^X$ ,  $d_{L^X}(A, B) = \bigvee_{x \in X} (A(x) \ominus B(x)) \geq \bigvee_{x \in X} (A(x) \ominus d_X(x, \sqcap_X B)) \geq d_X(\sqcap_X A, \sqcap_X B)$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 3.4.** Let  $(X, d_X)$  be a distance space. Then the followings hold.

(1) For each  $z \in X$ ,  $\sqcup_X d_X(z, -) = z$  and  $\sqcap_X d_X(-, z) = z$ .

(2) For  $\Phi \in L^X$ ,  $\sqcup_X \Phi = \sqcup_X \bigwedge (\Phi(z) \oplus d_X(z, -))$  and  $\sqcap_X \Phi = \sqcap_X \bigwedge (\Phi(z) \oplus d_X(-, z))$ .

*Proof.* (1) Since  $d_X(z, x) \oplus d_X(y, z) \geq d_X(y, x)$ ,

$$d_X(y, z) \geq \bigvee_{x \in X} (d_X(z, x) \ominus d_X(y, x)).$$

From the definition of  $\sqcup_X d_X(z, -) = z$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} d_X(x, \sqcup_X d_X(z, -)) &= \bigvee_{x \in X} (d_X(z, x) \ominus d_X(y, x)) \\ &\geq d_X(z, z) \ominus d_X(y, z) = d_X(y, z). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $d_X(x, \sqcup_X d_X(z, -)) = \bigvee_{x \in X} (d_X(z, x) \ominus d_X(y, x)) = d_X(y, z)$ . Thus  $\sqcup_X d_X(z, -) = z$ . Similarly,  $d_X(\sqcap_X d_X(-, z), y) = \bigvee_{x \in X} (d_X(x, z) \ominus d_X(x, y)) = d_X(z, y)$ . Thus  $\sqcap_X d_X(-, z) = z$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
(2) \text{ From the definitions of } \sqcup_X \wedge(\Phi(z) \oplus d_X(z, -)) \text{ and } \sqcap_X \wedge(\Phi(z) \oplus d_X(-, z)), \\
d_X(y, \sqcup_X \wedge(\Phi(z) \oplus d_X(z, -))) &= \bigvee_{x \in X} (\bigwedge_{z \in X} (\Phi(z) \oplus d_X(z, x)) \ominus d_X(y, x)) \\
&= \bigvee_{x, z \in X} (\Phi(z) \ominus (d_X(z, x) \oplus d_X(y, x))) = \bigvee_{z \in X} (\Phi(z) \ominus \bigvee_{x \in X} (d_X(z, x) \oplus d_X(y, x))) \\
&= \bigvee_{z \in X} (\Phi(z) \ominus d_X(y, z)) = d_X(y, \sqcup_X \Phi), \\
d_X(\sqcap_X \wedge(\Phi(z) \oplus d_X(-, z)), y) &= \bigvee_{x \in X} (\bigwedge_{z \in X} (\Phi(z) \oplus d_X(x, z)) \ominus d_X(x, y)) \\
&= \bigvee_{x, z \in X} (\Phi(z) \ominus (d_X(x, z) \oplus d_X(x, y))) = \bigvee_{z \in X} (\Phi(z) \ominus \bigvee_{x \in X} (d_X(x, z) \oplus d_X(x, y))) \\
&= \bigvee_{z \in X} (\Phi(z) \ominus d_X(z, y)) = d_X(\sqcap_X \Phi, y).
\end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 3.5.** *Let  $(X, d_X)$  be a distance space. Then the following are equivalent:*

- (1)  $\sqcup_X \Phi$  exists for every  $\Phi \in L^X$ .
- (2)  $\sqcap_X \Phi$  exists for every  $\Phi \in L^X$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). For every  $\Phi \in L^X$  and  $\bigvee(\Phi(y) \ominus d_X(y, -)) \in L^X$ , there exists  $z = \sqcup_X(\bigvee(\Phi(y) \ominus d_X(y, -)))$ . We will show that  $z = \sqcap_X \Phi$ .

(M2) By the definition of  $\sqcup_X(\bigvee(\Phi(y) \ominus d_X(y, -)))$ , by (J1),

$$\bigvee(\Phi(y) \ominus d_X(y, x)) \geq d_X(\sqcup_X(\bigvee(\Phi(y) \ominus d_X(y, -))), x) = d_X(z, x).$$

(M1) Since  $(\Phi(y) \ominus d_X(y, x)) \oplus \Phi(y) \geq d_X(y, x)$  iff  $\Phi(y) \geq (\Phi(y) \ominus d_X(y, x)) \oplus d_X(y, x)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
\Phi(y) &\geq \bigvee_{x \in X} ((\Phi(y) \ominus d_X(y, x)) \oplus d_X(y, x)) \\
&\geq \bigvee_{x \in X} (\bigvee_{y \in X} (\Phi(y) \ominus d_X(y, x)) \oplus d_X(y, x)) \\
&= d_X(y, \sqcup_X(\bigvee(\Phi(y) \ominus d_X(y, -)))) = d_X(y, z).
\end{aligned}$$

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). For every  $\Psi \in L^X$  and  $\bigvee(\Psi(y) \ominus d_X(-, y)) \in L^X$ , there exists  $w = \sqcap_X(\bigvee(\Psi(y) \ominus d_X(-, y)))$ . We will show that  $z = \sqcup_X \Psi$ .

(J2) Since  $w = \sqcap_X(\bigvee(\Psi(y) \ominus d_X(-, y)))$ ,

$$\bigvee(\Psi(y) \ominus d_X(x, y)) \geq d_X(x, \sqcap_X(\bigvee(\Psi(y) \ominus d_X(-, y)))) = d_X(x, w).$$

(J1) Since  $(\Psi(y) \ominus d_X(x, y)) \oplus \Phi(y) \geq d_X(x, y)$  iff  $\Psi(y) \geq (\Psi(y) \ominus d_X(x, y)) \oplus d_X(x, y)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
\Psi(y) &\geq \bigvee_{x \in X} ((\Psi(y) \ominus d_X(x, y)) \oplus d_X(x, y)) \\
&\geq \bigvee_{x \in X} (\bigvee_{y \in X} (\Psi(y) \ominus d_X(x, y)) \oplus d_X(x, y)) \\
&= d_X(\sqcap_X(\bigvee(\Psi(y) \ominus d_X(-, y))), y).
\end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\sqcup_X \Psi = \sqcap_X(\bigvee(\Psi(y) \ominus d_X(-, y))) = w$ . □

**Definition 3.6.** (1) A subset  $\tau \subset L^X$  is called an *Alexandrov pretopology* on  $X$  iff it satisfies the following conditions:

- (O1) if  $A_i \in \tau$  for all  $i \in I$ , then  $\bigvee_{i \in I} A_i \in \tau$ .
- (O2) if  $A \in \tau$  and  $\alpha \in L$ , then  $\alpha \oplus A \in \tau$ .

(2) A subset  $\eta \subset L^X$  is called an *Alexandrov pretopology* on  $X$  iff it satisfies the following conditions:

(CO1) if  $A_i \in \eta$  for all  $i \in I$ , then  $\bigwedge_{i \in I} A_i \in \eta$ .

(CO2) if  $A \in \eta$  and  $\alpha \in L$ , then  $\alpha \oplus A \in \eta$ .

A subset  $\tau \subset L^X$  is called an *Alexandrov topology* on  $X$  iff it is both Alexandrov pretopology and Alexandrov pretopology on  $X$ .

**Theorem 3.7.** *Let  $\tau \subset L^X$ . Define  $d_\tau : \tau \times \tau \rightarrow L$  as  $d_\tau(A, B) = \bigvee_{x \in X} (A(x) \ominus B(x))$ . Then the following statements hold.*

(1)  $(\tau, d_\tau)$  is a distance space.

(2)  $\sqcup_\tau \Phi$  is a fuzzy join of  $\Phi \in L^\tau$  iff  $\bigvee_{A \in \tau} (\Phi(A) \ominus d_\tau(B, A)) = d_\tau(B, \sqcup_\tau \Phi)$ .

(3)  $\sqcap_\tau \Phi$  is a fuzzy meet of  $\Phi \in L^\tau$  iff  $\bigvee_{A \in \tau} (\Phi(A) \ominus d_\tau(A, B)) = d_\tau(\sqcap_\tau \Phi, B)$ .

(4) If  $\sqcup_\tau \Phi$  is a fuzzy join of  $\Phi \in L^\tau$ , then it is unique. Moreover, if  $\sqcap_\tau \Phi$  is a fuzzy meet of  $\Phi \in L^\tau$ , then it is unique.

*Proof.* (1) (M1) For each  $A \in \tau$ ,  $d_\tau(A, A) = \bigvee_{x \in X} (A(x) \ominus A(x)) = 0$ .

(M2) By Lemma 2.3(5),  $d_\tau(A, B) \oplus d_\tau(B, C) = \bigvee_{x \in X} (A(x) \ominus B(x)) \oplus \bigvee_{x \in X} (B(x) \ominus C(x)) \ominus \bigvee_{x \in X} (A(x) \ominus C(x)) \geq \bigvee_{x \in X} ((A(x) \ominus B(x)) \oplus (B(x) \ominus C(x))) \geq d_\tau(A, C)$ , for all  $A, B, C \in \tau$ .

(M3) If  $d_\tau(A, B) = d_\tau(B, A) = 0$ , by Lemma 2.3(8),  $A = B$ . Hence  $(\tau, d_\tau)$  is a distance space.

(2), (3) and (4) follow from Theorem 3.2 □

**Theorem 3.8.** *Let  $(X, d_X)$  be a distance space. Then  $(L^X, d_{L^X})$  is a complete lattice.*

*Proof.* For every  $\Phi \in L^{L^X}$  and  $A \in L^X$ , we obtain that  $\sqcap_{L^X} \Phi(x) = \bigwedge_{A \in L^X} (\Phi(A) \oplus A(x))$  and  $\sqcup_{L^X} \Phi(x) = \bigvee_{A \in L^X} (\Phi(A) \ominus A(x))$ , since

$$\begin{aligned} d_{L^X}(\bigwedge_{A \in L^X} (\Phi(A) \oplus A(-)), B) &= \bigvee_{x \in X} (\bigwedge_{A \in L^X} (\Phi(A) \oplus A(x)) \ominus B(x)) \\ &= \bigvee_{A \in L^X} (\Phi(A) \ominus \bigvee_{x \in X} (A(x) \ominus B(x))) \text{ (by Lemma 2.3(6))} \\ &= \bigvee_{A \in L^X} (\Phi(A) \ominus d_{L^X}(A, B)) = d_{L^X}(\sqcap_{L^X} \Phi, B), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} d_{L^X}(B, \bigvee_{A \in L^X} (\Phi(A) \ominus A(-))) &= \bigvee_{x \in X} (B(x) \ominus \bigvee_{A \in L^X} (\Phi(A) \ominus A(x))) \\ &= \bigvee_{A \in L^X} (\Phi(A) \ominus \bigvee_{x \in X} (B(x) \ominus A(x))) \text{ (by Lemma 2.3(6))} \\ &= \bigvee_{A \in L^X} (\Phi(A) \ominus d_{L^X}(B, A)) = d_{L^X}(B, \sqcup_{L^X} \Phi). \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 3.9.** *Let  $\tau \subset L^X$ . Then the following statements are equivalent:*

(1)  $(\tau, d_\tau)$  is fuzzy join complete.

(2)  $\tau$  is an Alexandrov pretopology on  $X$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Since  $(\tau, d_\tau)$  is fuzzy join complete, for each  $\Phi \in L^\tau$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} d_\tau(B, \sqcup_\tau \Phi) &= \bigvee_{C \in \tau} (\Phi(C) \ominus d_\tau(B, C)) \\ &= \bigvee_{C \in \tau} d_\tau(B, \Phi(C) \ominus C) = d_\tau(B, \bigvee_{C \in \tau} \Phi(C) \ominus C) \text{ (by Lemma 2.3(6)).} \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 3.2(4),  $\sqcup_\tau \Phi = \bigvee_{C \in \tau} (\Phi(C) \ominus C) \in \tau$ .

(O1) Define  $\Phi : \tau \rightarrow L$  as  $\Phi(A) = \alpha$  for  $A \in \tau$  and  $\Phi(B) = 1$ , otherwise. Then

$$\sqcup_\tau \Phi(x) = \bigvee_{A \in \tau} (\Phi(A) \ominus A(x)) = \alpha \ominus A(x).$$

So,  $\sqcup_\tau \Phi = \alpha \ominus A \in \tau$ .

(O2) Let  $\{A_i \in \tau \mid i \in \Gamma\}$  be given. Define  $\Phi : \tau \rightarrow L$  as  $\Phi(A_i) = 0$  for  $i \in \Gamma$  and  $\Phi(B) = 1$ , otherwise. Then

$$\sqcup_\tau \Phi(x) = \bigvee_{A \in \tau} (\Phi(A) \ominus A(x)) = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (0 \ominus A_i(x)) = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} A_i(x).$$

So,  $\sqcup_\tau \Phi = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} A_i \in \tau$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) For each  $\Phi \in L^\tau$ , by (O1) and (O2),  $\bigvee_{C \in \tau} (\Phi(C) \ominus C) \in \tau$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} d_\tau(B, \sqcup_\tau \Phi) &= \bigvee_{C \in \tau} (\Phi(C) \ominus d_\tau(B, C)) \\ &= \bigvee_{C \in \tau} d_\tau(B, \Phi(C) \ominus C) = d_\tau(B, \bigvee_{C \in \tau} \Phi(C) \ominus C) \text{ (by Lemma 2.3(6)).} \end{aligned}$$

By Theorem 3.2 (3),  $\sqcup_\tau \Phi$  is a fuzzy join of  $\Phi$ . □

**Theorem 3.10.** *Let  $\tau \subset L^X$ . Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $(\tau, d_\tau)$  is fuzzy meet complete.
- (2)  $\tau$  is an Alexandrov pretopology on  $X$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Since  $(\tau, d_\tau)$  is fuzzy meet complete, for each  $\Phi \in L^\tau$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} d_\tau(\sqcap_\tau \Phi, B) &= \bigvee_{C \in \tau} (\Phi(C) \ominus d_\tau(C, B)) \\ &= \bigvee_{C \in \tau} d_\tau(\Phi(C) \oplus C, B) = d_\tau(\bigwedge_{C \in \tau} (\Phi(C) \oplus C), B) \text{ (by Lemma 2.3(6)).} \end{aligned}$$

By Theorem 3.2(3),  $\sqcap_\tau \Phi = \bigwedge_{C \in \tau} (\Phi(C) \oplus C) \in \tau$ .

(CO1) Define  $\Phi : \tau \rightarrow L$  as  $\Phi(A) = \alpha$  for  $A \in \tau$  and  $\Phi(B) = 1$ , otherwise. Then

$$\sqcap_\tau \Phi(x) = \bigwedge_{A \in \tau} (\Phi(A) \oplus A(x)) = \alpha \oplus A(x).$$

So,  $\sqcap_\tau \Phi = \alpha \oplus A \in \tau$ .

(CO2) Let  $\{A_i \in \tau \mid i \in \Gamma\}$  be given. Define  $\Phi : \tau \rightarrow L$  as  $\Phi(A_i) = 0$  for  $i \in \Gamma$  and  $\Phi(B) = 1$ , otherwise. Then

$$\sqcap_\tau \Phi(x) = \bigwedge_{A \in \tau} (\Phi(A) \oplus A(x)) = \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} (0 \oplus A_i(x)) = \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} A_i(x).$$

So,  $\sqcap_\tau \Phi = \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} A_i \in \tau$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) For each  $\Phi \in L^\tau$ , by (CO1) and (CO2),  $\bigwedge_{C \in \tau} \Phi(C) \oplus C \in \tau$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} d_\tau(\sqcap_\tau \Phi, B) &= \bigvee_{C \in \tau} (\Phi(C) \ominus d_\tau(C, B)) \\ &= \bigvee_{C \in \tau} d_\tau(\Phi(C) \oplus C, B) = d_\tau(\bigwedge_{C \in \tau} \Phi(C) \oplus C, B). \end{aligned}$$



By Theorem 3.2 (2),  $\sqcap_{\tau}\Phi$  is a fuzzy meet of  $\Phi$ . □

**Theorem 3.11.** *Let  $\mathcal{D} : L^X \rightarrow L^X$  be a map. The following statements are equivalent.*

- (1)  $d_{L^X}(A, B) \geq d_{L^X}(\mathcal{D}(A), \mathcal{D}(B))$  for all  $A, B \in L^X$ .
- (2)  $\alpha \oplus \mathcal{D}(A) \geq \mathcal{D}(\alpha \oplus A)$  for each  $\alpha \in L, A \in L^X$  and  $\mathcal{D}(A) \leq \mathcal{D}(B)$  for  $A \leq B$ .
- (3)  $\mathcal{D}(\alpha \ominus A) \geq \alpha \ominus \mathcal{D}(A)$  for each  $\alpha \in L, A \in L^X$  and  $\mathcal{D}(A) \leq \mathcal{D}(B)$  for  $A \leq B$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). If  $B \leq A$ , by Lemma 2.3(8),  $d_{L^X}(A, B) = 0$  and  $d_{L^X}(\mathcal{D}(A), \mathcal{D}(B)) = 0$ . Thus  $\mathcal{D}(B) \leq \mathcal{D}(A)$ . Since  $\alpha \geq d_{L^X}(A, \alpha \oplus A) \geq d_{L^X}(\mathcal{D}(A), \mathcal{D}(\alpha \oplus A))$ , we have  $\alpha \oplus \mathcal{D}(A) \geq \mathcal{D}(\alpha \oplus A)$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). Put  $\alpha = d_{L^X}(A, B)$ . Then  $d_{L^X}(A, B) \geq d_{L^X}(\mathcal{D}(A), \mathcal{D}(B))$ , since

$$d_{L^X}(A, B) \oplus \mathcal{D}(A) \geq \mathcal{D}(d_{L^X}(A, B) \oplus A) \geq \mathcal{D}(B).$$

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (3). If  $A \leq B$ , then  $\mathcal{D}(A) \leq \mathcal{D}(B)$ . Since  $\alpha \geq d_{L^X}(\alpha \ominus A, A) \geq d_{L^X}(\mathcal{D}(\alpha \ominus A), \mathcal{D}(A))$ , we have  $\mathcal{D}(\alpha \ominus A) \geq \alpha \ominus \mathcal{D}(A)$ .

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). Put  $\alpha = d_{L^X}(A, B)$ . Then  $d_{L^X}(A, B) \geq d_{L^X}(\mathcal{D}(A), \mathcal{D}(B))$ , since

$$\mathcal{D}(A) \geq \mathcal{D}(d_{L^X}(A, B) \ominus B) \geq d_{L^X}(A, B) \ominus \mathcal{D}(B).$$

□

**Theorem 3.12.** *Let  $\mathcal{D} : L^X \rightarrow L^X$  be a map. The following statements hold.*

(1)  $\sqcup_{L^X} \mathcal{D}^{\rightarrow}(\Phi) \leq \mathcal{D}(\sqcup_{L^X} \Phi)$  for each  $\Phi \in L^{L^X}$  where  $\mathcal{D}^{\rightarrow}(\Phi)(B) = \bigvee_{B=\mathcal{D}(A)} \Phi(A)$  iff  $\mathcal{D}(\alpha \ominus A) \geq \alpha \ominus \mathcal{D}(A)$  for each  $\alpha \in L, A \in L^X$  and  $\mathcal{D}(A) \leq \mathcal{D}(B)$  for  $A \leq B$ .

(2)  $\mathcal{D}(\sqcap_{L^X} \Phi) \leq \sqcap_{L^X} \mathcal{D}^{\rightarrow}(\Phi)$  for each  $\Phi \in L^{L^X}$  iff  $\alpha \oplus \mathcal{D}(A) \geq \mathcal{D}(\alpha \oplus A)$  for each  $\alpha \in L, A \in L^X$  and  $\mathcal{D}(A) \leq \mathcal{D}(B)$  for  $A \leq B$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $(\Rightarrow)$  For all  $\Phi \in L^{L^X}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} d_{L^X}(B, \sqcup_{L^X} \Phi) &= \bigvee_{A \in L^X} (\Phi(A) \ominus d_{L^X}(B, A)) \\ &= \bigvee_{A \in L^X} d_{L^X}(B, \Phi(A) \ominus A) = d_{L^X}(B, \bigvee_{A \in L^X} \Phi(A) \ominus A), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} d_{L^X}(B, \sqcup_{L^X} \mathcal{D}^{\rightarrow}(\Phi)) &= \bigvee_{C \in L^X} (\mathcal{D}^{\rightarrow}(\Phi)(C) \ominus d_{L^X}(B, C)) \\ &= \bigvee_{C \in L^X} d_{L^X}(B, \mathcal{D}^{\rightarrow}(\Phi)(C) \ominus C) = d_{L^X}(B, \bigvee_{C \in L^X} \mathcal{D}^{\rightarrow}(\Phi)(C) \ominus C). \end{aligned}$$

By Theorem 3.2(3),  $\sqcup_{L^X} \Phi = \bigvee_{A \in L^X} (\Phi(A) \ominus A)$  and  $\sqcup_{L^X} \mathcal{D}^{\rightarrow}(\Phi) = \bigvee_{C \in L^X} (\mathcal{D}^{\rightarrow}(\Phi)(C) \ominus C)$ . Define  $\Phi_1 : L^X \rightarrow L$  as  $\Phi_1(A) = \alpha$  and  $\Phi_1(B) = 1$ , otherwise. Then

$$(\sqcup_{L^X} \Phi_1)(x) = \bigvee_{D \in L^X} (\Phi_1(D) \ominus D(x)) = \alpha \ominus A(x).$$

Since  $\mathcal{D}^\rightarrow(\Phi_1)(B) = \bigvee_{B=\mathcal{D}(A)} \Phi_1(A)$  and  $\mathcal{D}(\sqcup_{L^X} \Phi_1) \geq \sqcup_{L^X} \mathcal{D}^\rightarrow(\Phi_1)$  for all  $\Phi_1 \in L^{L^X}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sqcup_{L^X} \mathcal{D}^\rightarrow(\Phi_1)(x) &= \bigvee_{C=\mathcal{D}(A) \in L^X} (\mathcal{D}^\rightarrow(\Phi_1)(C) \ominus C(x)) \\ &= \Phi_1(A) \ominus \mathcal{D}(A)(x) = \alpha \ominus \mathcal{D}(A)(x) \leq \mathcal{D}(\sqcup_{L^X} \Phi_1)(x) = \mathcal{D}(\alpha \ominus A)(x). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\alpha \ominus \mathcal{D}(A) \leq \mathcal{D}(\alpha \ominus A)$ .

Let  $A \leq B$  be given. Define  $\Phi_2 : L^X \rightarrow L$  as  $\Phi_2(A) = \Phi_2(B) = 0$  and  $\Phi_2(C) = 1$ , otherwise. Then

$$(\sqcup_{L^X} \Phi_2)(x) = \bigvee_{D \in L^X} (\Phi_2(D) \ominus D(x)) = A(x) \vee B(x) = B(x).$$

Since  $\mathcal{D}^\rightarrow(\Phi_2)(B) = \bigvee_{B=\mathcal{D}(A)} \Phi_2(A)$  and  $\mathcal{D}(\sqcup_{L^X} \Phi_2) \geq \sqcup_{L^X} \mathcal{D}^\rightarrow(\Phi_2)$  for  $\Phi_2 \in L^{L^X}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \sqcup_{L^X} \mathcal{D}^\rightarrow(\Phi_2)(x) &= \bigvee_{C=\mathcal{D}(A) \in L^X} (\mathcal{D}^\rightarrow(\Phi_2)(C) \ominus C(x)) \\ &= (\Phi_2(A) \ominus \mathcal{D}(A)(x)) \vee (\Phi_2(B) \ominus \mathcal{D}(B)(x)) = \mathcal{D}(A)(x) \vee \mathcal{D}(B)(x) \\ &\leq \mathcal{D}(\sqcup_{L^X} \Phi_1)(x) = \mathcal{D}(A \vee B)(x) = \mathcal{D}(B)(x). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\mathcal{D}(A) \leq \mathcal{D}(B)$ .

( $\Leftarrow$ )  $\sqcup_{L^X} \mathcal{D}^\rightarrow(\Phi) \leq \mathcal{D}(\sqcup_{L^X} \Phi)$ , since

$$\begin{aligned} \sqcup_{L^X} \mathcal{D}^\rightarrow(\Phi)(y) &= \bigvee_{A \in L^X} \Phi(A) \ominus \mathcal{D}(A)(y) \\ &\leq \mathcal{D}(\bigvee_{A \in L^X} (\Phi(A) \ominus A))(y) = \mathcal{D}(\sqcup_{L^X} \Phi)(y). \end{aligned}$$

(2) ( $\Rightarrow$ ) For all  $\Phi \in L^{L^X}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} d_{L^X}(\sqcap_{L^X} \Phi, B) &= \bigvee_{A \in L^X} (\Phi(A) \ominus d_{L^X}(A, B)) \\ &= \bigvee_{A \in L^X} d_{L^X}(\Phi(A) \oplus A, B) = d_{L^X}(\bigwedge_{A \in L^X} (\Phi(A) \oplus A), B), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} d_{L^X}(\sqcap_{L^X} \mathcal{D}^\rightarrow(\Phi), B) &= \bigvee_{C \in L^X} (\mathcal{D}^\rightarrow(\Phi)(C) \ominus d_{L^X}(C, B)) \\ &= \bigvee_{C \in L^X} ((\bigvee_{\mathcal{D}(A)=C} \Phi(A) \ominus d_{L^X}(C, B))) \\ &= \bigvee_{A \in L^X} (\Phi(A) \ominus d_{L^X}(\mathcal{D}(A), B)) = \bigvee_{A \in L^X} d_{L^X}(\Phi(A) \oplus \mathcal{D}(A), B) \\ &= d_{L^X}(\bigwedge_{A \in L^X} \Phi(A) \oplus \mathcal{D}(A), B). \end{aligned}$$

By Theorem 3.2(3),  $\sqcap_{L^X} \Phi = \bigwedge_{A \in L^X} (\Phi(A) \oplus A)$  and  $\sqcap_{L^X} \mathcal{D}^\rightarrow(\Phi) = \bigwedge_{A \in L^X} (\Phi(A) \oplus \mathcal{D}(A)) \in L^X$ . Define  $\Phi_1 : L^X \rightarrow L$  as  $\Phi_1(A) = \alpha$  and  $\Phi_1(B) = 1$ , otherwise. Then

$$(\sqcap_{L^X} \Phi_1) = \bigwedge_{A \in L^X} (\Phi_1(A) \oplus A) = \alpha \oplus A.$$

Since  $\mathcal{D}^\rightarrow(\Phi_1)(B) = \bigvee_{B=\mathcal{D}(A)} \Phi_1(A)$  and  $\mathcal{D}(\sqcap_{L^X} \Phi_1) \leq \sqcap_{L^X} \mathcal{D}^\rightarrow(\Phi_1)$  for  $\Phi_1 \in L^{L^X}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \sqcap_{L^X} \mathcal{D}^\rightarrow(\Phi_1)(y) &= \bigwedge_{B \in L^X} (\Phi_1(A) \oplus \mathcal{D}(A)(y)) \\ &= \alpha \oplus \mathcal{D}(A)(y) \geq \mathcal{D}(\sqcap_{L^X} \Phi_1)(y) = \mathcal{D}(\alpha \oplus A)(y). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\mathcal{D}(\alpha \oplus A) \leq \alpha \oplus \mathcal{D}(A) \in L^X$ .

Let  $A \leq B$  be given. Define  $\Phi_2 : L^X \rightarrow L$  as  $\Phi_2(A) = \Phi_2(B) = 0$  and  $\Phi_2(C) = 1$ , otherwise. Then  $(\sqcap_{L^X} \Phi_2)(x) = \bigwedge_{D \in L^X} (\Phi_2(D) \oplus D(x)) = A(x) \wedge B(x) = A(x)$ . Since  $\mathcal{D}^\rightarrow(\Phi_2)(B) = \bigvee_{B=\mathcal{D}(A)} \Phi_2(A)$  and  $\mathcal{D}(\sqcap_{L^X} \Phi_2) \leq \sqcap_{L^X} \mathcal{D}^\rightarrow(\Phi_2)$  for  $\Phi_2 \in L^{L^X}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \sqcap_{L^X} \mathcal{D}^\rightarrow(\Phi_2)(x) &= \bigvee_{C=\mathcal{D}(A) \in L^X} (\mathcal{D}^\rightarrow(\Phi_2)(C) \oplus C(x)) \\ &= (\Phi_2(A) \oplus \mathcal{D}(A)(x)) \wedge (\Phi_2(B) \oplus \mathcal{D}(B)(x)) = \mathcal{D}(A)(x) \wedge \mathcal{D}(B)(x) \\ &\geq \mathcal{D}(\sqcap_{L^X} \Phi_1)(x) = \mathcal{D}(A \wedge B)(x) = \mathcal{D}(A)(x). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\mathcal{D}(A) \leq \mathcal{D}(B)$ .

( $\Leftarrow$ )  $\mathcal{D}(\sqcap_{L^X} \Phi) \leq \sqcap_{L^X} \mathcal{D}^\rightarrow(\Phi)$ , since

$$\begin{aligned} \sqcap_{L^X} \mathcal{D}^\rightarrow(\Phi) &= \bigwedge_{A \in L^X} (\Phi(A) \oplus \mathcal{D}(A)) \\ &\geq \bigwedge_{A \in L^X} \mathcal{D}(\Phi(A) \oplus A) \geq \mathcal{D}(\bigwedge_{A \in L^X} (\Phi(A) \oplus A)) = \mathcal{D}(\sqcap_{L^X} \Phi). \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 3.13.** Let  $\mathcal{D} : L^X \rightarrow L^X$  be a map with  $d_{L^X}(A, B) \geq d_{L^X}(\mathcal{D}(A), \mathcal{D}(B))$  for all  $A, B \in L^X$ . Then followings hold.

(1)  $\tau_{\mathcal{D}} = \{A \in L^X \mid A \leq \mathcal{D}(A)\}$  is an Alexandrov fuzzy pretopology, that is,  $\tau_{\mathcal{D}}$  is a fuzzy join complete lattice.

(2)  $\eta_{\mathcal{D}} = \{A \in L^X \mid \mathcal{D}(A) \leq A\}$  is an Alexandrov fuzzy precotopology, that is,  $\eta_{\mathcal{D}}$  is a fuzzy meet complete lattice.

*Proof.* (1) (O1) For each  $A \in \tau_{\mathcal{D}}$ , by Theorem 3.11,  $\mathcal{D}(\alpha \ominus A) \geq \alpha \ominus \mathcal{D}(A) \geq \alpha \ominus A$ . Hence  $(\alpha \ominus A) \in \tau_{\mathcal{D}}$ .

(O2) For each  $A_i \in \tau_{\mathcal{D}}$  for  $i \in \Gamma$ ,  $\mathcal{D}(\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} A_i) \geq \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} \mathcal{D}(A_i) \geq \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} A_i$ . Hence  $\bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} A_i \in \tau_{\mathcal{D}}$ .

(2) (O1) For each  $A \in \eta_{\mathcal{D}}$ , by Theorem 3.11,  $\mathcal{D}(\alpha \oplus A) \leq \alpha \oplus \mathcal{D}(A) \leq \alpha \oplus A$ . Hence  $(\alpha \oplus A) \in \eta_{\mathcal{D}}$ .

(O2) For each  $A_i \in \eta_{\mathcal{D}}$  for  $i \in \Gamma$ ,  $\mathcal{D}(\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} A_i) \leq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} \mathcal{D}(A_i) \leq \bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} A_i$ . Hence  $\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} A_i \in \eta_{\mathcal{D}}$ . □

**Example 3.14.** Let  $X$  be a set and  $R \in L^{X \times X}$ . For each  $A \in L^X$ , define  $D_1, D_2 : L^X \rightarrow L^X$  as follows:

$$D_1(A)(y) = \bigwedge_{x \in X} (R(x, y) \oplus A(x)), \quad D_2(A)(y) = \bigvee_{x \in X} (R(x, y) \ominus A(x)).$$

For each  $A, B \in L^X$ , the followings hold.

$$\begin{aligned} &d_{L^X}(D_1(A), D_1(B)) \\ &= \bigvee_{y \in X} ((\bigwedge_{x \in X} (R(x, y) \oplus A(x))) \ominus (\bigwedge_{x \in X} (R(x, y) \oplus B(x)))) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \bigvee_{y \in X} \bigvee_{x \in X} ((R(x, y) \oplus A(x)) \ominus (\bigwedge_{x \in X} (R(x, y) \oplus B(x)))) \\
&\leq \bigvee_{y \in X} \bigvee_{x \in X} ((R(x, y) \oplus A(x)) \ominus (R(x, y) \oplus B(x))) \\
&\leq \bigvee_{x \in X} (A(x) \ominus B(x)) = d_{L^X}(A, B), \\
&d_{L^X}(D_2(A), D_2(B)) \\
&= \bigvee_{y \in X} ((\bigvee_{x \in X} (R(x, y) \ominus A(x))) \ominus (\bigvee_{x \in X} (R(x, y) \ominus B(x)))) \\
&\leq \bigvee_{y \in X} ((R(x, y) \ominus A(x)) \ominus (\bigvee_{x \in X} (R(x, y) \ominus B(x)))) \\
&\leq \bigvee_{y \in X} \bigvee_{x \in X} ((R(x, y) \ominus A(x)) \ominus (R(x, y) \ominus B(x))) \\
&\leq \bigvee_{x \in X} (A(x) \ominus B(x)) = d_{L^X}(A, B).
\end{aligned}$$

For each  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ , by Theorems 3.12, 3.13 and 3.14, the followings hold.

(1)  $\alpha \oplus \mathcal{D}_i(A) \geq \mathcal{D}_i(\alpha \oplus A)$  for each  $\alpha \in L, A \in L^X$  and  $\mathcal{D}_i(A) \leq \mathcal{D}_i(B)$  for  $A \leq B$ .

(2)  $\mathcal{D}_i(\alpha \ominus A) \geq \alpha \ominus \mathcal{D}_i(A)$  for each  $\alpha \in L, A \in L^X$  and  $\mathcal{D}_i(A) \leq \mathcal{D}_i(B)$  for  $A \leq B$ .

(3)  $\sqcup_{L^X} \mathcal{D}_i^{\rightarrow}(\Phi) \leq \mathcal{D}_i(\sqcup_{L^X} \Phi)$  for each  $\Phi \in L^{L^X}$  where  $\mathcal{D}_i^{\rightarrow}(\Phi)(B) = \bigvee_{B=\mathcal{D}_i(A)} \Phi(A)$ .

(4)  $\mathcal{D}_i(\prod_{L^X} \Phi) \leq \prod_{L^X} \mathcal{D}_i^{\rightarrow}(\Phi)$  for each  $\Phi \in L^{L^X}$ .

(5)  $\tau_{D_i} = \{A \in L^X \mid A \leq \mathcal{D}_i(A)\}$  is an Alexandrov fuzzy pretopology, that is,  $\tau_{D_i}$  is a fuzzy join complete lattice.

(6)  $\eta_{D_i} = \{A \in L^X \mid \mathcal{D}_i(A) \leq A\}$  is an Alexandrov fuzzy precotopology, that is,  $\eta_{D_i}$  is a fuzzy meet complete lattice.

**Example 3.15.** Let  $X = \{x, y, z\}$ ,  $A \in [0, \infty]^X$  with  $A(x) = 8, A(y) = 3, A(z) = 9$ .

(1) Define an Alexandrov pretopology as

$$\tau_X = \{\alpha \ominus A \mid \alpha \in [0, \infty]\}.$$

By Theorem 3.7(1),  $(\tau_X, d_{\tau_X})$  is a distance space. For each  $\Phi : \tau_X \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ , since  $\bigvee_{C \in \tau_X} (\Phi(C) \ominus C) = \bigvee_{\alpha \in [0, \infty]} (\Phi(\alpha \ominus A) \ominus (\alpha \ominus A)) = \bigvee_{\alpha \in [0, \infty]} ((\Phi(\alpha \ominus A) \oplus \alpha) \ominus A) \in \tau_X$ , it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
d_{\tau}(B, \sqcup_{\tau_X} \Phi) &= \bigvee_{C \in \tau_X} (\Phi(C) \ominus d_{\tau_X}(B, C)) \\
&= \bigvee_{C \in \tau_X} d_{\tau_X}(B, \Phi(C) \ominus C) = d_{\tau_X}(B, \bigvee_{C \in \tau_X} (\Phi(C) \ominus C)) \\
&= d_{\tau_X}(B, \bigvee_{\alpha \in [0, \infty]} ((\Phi(\alpha \ominus A) \oplus \alpha) \ominus A)).
\end{aligned}$$

By Theorem 3.2(2),  $(\tau_X, d_{\tau_X})$  is a fuzzy join complete lattice.

(2) Define an Alexandrov precotopology as

$$\eta_X = \{\alpha \oplus A \mid \alpha \in [0, \infty]\}.$$

By Theorem 3.7(1),  $(\eta_X, d_{\eta_X})$  is a distance space. For each  $\Psi : \eta_X \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ , since  $\bigwedge_{C \in \tau_X} (\Psi(C) \oplus C) \in \eta_X = \bigwedge_{\alpha \in [0, \infty]} ((\Psi(\alpha \oplus A) \oplus \alpha) \oplus A) \in \eta_X$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
d_{\eta_X}(\sqcap_{\eta_X} \Psi, B) &= \bigvee_{C \in \eta_X} (\Psi(C) \ominus d_{\eta_X}(C, B)) \\
&= d_{\eta_X}(\bigwedge_{C \in \eta_X} (\Psi(C) \oplus C), B) \\
&= d_{\eta_X}(\bigwedge_{\alpha \in [0, \infty]} ((\Psi(\alpha \oplus A) \oplus \alpha) \oplus A), B).
\end{aligned}$$

By Theorem 3.2(3),  $(\eta_X, d_{\eta_X})$  is a fuzzy meet complete lattice.

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