



Article Multi-Granulation Neutrosophic Rough Sets on a Single Domain and Dual Domains with Applications

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Abstract: It is an interesting direction to study rough sets from a multi-granularity perspective. In rough set theory, the multi-particle structure was represented by a binary relation. This paper considers a new neutrosophic rough set model, multi-granulation neutrosophic rough set (MGNRS). First, the concept of MGNRS on a single domain and dual domains was proposed. Then, their properties and operators were considered. We obtained that MGNRS on dual domains will degenerate into MGNRS on a single domain when the two domains are the same. Finally, a kind of special multi-criteria group decision making (MCGDM) problem was solved based on MGNRS on dual domains, and an example was given to show its feasibility.

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1. Introduction

As we all know, Pawlak first proposed a rough set in 1982, which was a useful tool of granular computing. The relation is an equivalent in Pawlak's rough set. After that, many researchers proposed other types of rough set theory (see the work by the following authors [1–8]).

In 1965, Zadeh presented a new concept of the fuzzy set. After that, a lot of scholars studied it and made extensions. For example, Atanassov introduced an intuitionistic fuzzy set, which gives two degrees of membership of an element; it is a generalization of the fuzzy set. Smarandache introduced a neutrosophic set in 1998 [9,10], which was an extension of the intuitionistic fuzzy set. It gives three degrees of membership of an element (T.I.F). Smarandache and Wang [11] proposed the definition of a single valued neutrosophic set and studied its operators. Ye [12] proposed the definition of simplified neutrosophic sets and studied their operators. Zhang et al. [13] introduced a new inclusion relation of the neutrosophic set and told us when it was used by an example, and its lattice structure was studied. Garg and Nancy proposed neutrosophic operators and applied them to decision-making problems [14–16]. Now, some researchers have combined the fuzzy set and rough set and have achieved many running results, such as the fuzzy rough set [17] and rough fuzzy set. Broumi and Smarandache [18] proposed the definition of a rough neutrosophic set and studied their operators and properties. In 2016, Yang et al. [19] proposed the definition of single valued neutrosophic rough sets and studied their operators and properties.

Under the perspective of granular computing [20], the concept of a rough set is shown by the upper and lower approximations of granularity. In other words, the concept is represented by the

known knowledge, which is defined by a single relationship. In fact, to meet the user's needs or achieve the goal of solving the problem, it is sometimes necessary to use multiple relational representation concepts on the domain, such as illustrated by the authors of [21]. In a grain calculation, an equivalence relation in the domain is a granularity, and a partition is considered as a granularity space [22]. The approximation that is defined by multiple equivalence relationships is a multi-granularity approximation and multiple partitions are considered as multi-granularity spaces; the resulting rough set is named a multi-granularity rough set, which has been proposed by Qian and Liang [23]. Recently, many scholars [24,25] have studied it and made extensions. Huang et al. [26] proposed the notion of intuitionistic fuzzy multi-granulation rough sets and studied their operators. Zhang et al. [27] introduced two new multi-granulation rough set models and investigated their operators. Yao et al. [28] made a summary about the rough set models on the multi-granulation spaces.

Although there have been many studies regarding multi-granulation rough set theory, there have been fewer studies about the multi-granulation rough set model on dual domains. Moreover, a multi-granulation rough set on dual domains is more convenient, for example, medical diagnosis in clinics [22,29]. The symptoms are the uncertainty index sets and the diseases are the decision sets. They are associated with each other, but they belong to two different domains. Therefore, it is necessary to use two different domains when solving the MCGDM problems. Sun et al. [29] discussed the multi-granulation rough set models based on dual domains; their properties were also obtained.

Although neutrosophic sets and multi-granulation rough sets are both useful tools to solve uncertainty problems, there are few research regarding their combination. In this paper, we proposed the definition of MGNRS as a rough set generated by multi-neutrosophic relations. It is useful to solve a kind of special group decision-making problem. We studied their properties and operations and then built a way to solve MCGDM problems based on the MGNRS theory on dual domains.

The structure of the article is as follows. In Section 2, some basic notions and operations are introduced. In Section 3, the notion of MGNRS is proposed and their properties are studied. In Section 4, the model of MGNRS on dual domains is proposed and their properties are obtained. Also, we obtained that MGNRS on dual domains will degenerate into MGNRS on a single domain when the two domains are same. In Section 5, an application of the MGNRS to solve a MCGDM problem was proposed. Finally, Section 6 concludes this paper and provides an outlook.

2. Preliminary

In this section, we review several basic concepts and operations of the neutrosophic set and multi-granulation rough set.

Definition 1 ([11]). A single valued neutrosophic set *B* is denoted by $\forall y \in Y$, as follows:

$$B(y) = (T_B(y), I_B(y), F_B(y))$$

 $T_B(y)$, $I_B(y)$, $F_B(y) \in [0,1]$ and satisfies $0 \le T_B(y) + I_B(y) + F_B(y) \le 3$.

As a matter of convenience, 'single valued neutrosophic set' is abbreviated to 'neutrosophic set' later. In this paper, NS(Y) denotes the set of all single valued neutrosophic sets in Y, and $NR(Y \times Z)$ denotes the set of all of the neutrosophic relations in $Y \times Z$.

Definition 2 ([11]). *If A and C are two neutrosophic sets, then the inclusion relation, union, intersection, and complement operations are defined as follows:*

- (1) $A \subseteq C$ iff $\forall y \in Y$, $TA(y) \leq TC(y)$, $IA(y) \geq IC(y)$ and $FA(y) \geq FC(y)$
- (2) $A^{c} = \{(y, F_{A}(y), 1 I_{A}(y), T_{A}(y)) \mid y \in Y\}$
- (3) $A \cap C = \{(y, T_A(y) \land T_C(y), I_A(y) \lor I_C(y), F_A(y) \lor F_C(y)) \mid y \in Y\}$
- (4) $A \cup C = \{(y, T_A(y) \lor T_C(y), I_A(y) \land I_C(y), F_A(y) \land F_C(y)) \mid y \in Y\}$

Definition 3 ([19]). *If* (*U*, *R*) *is a single valued neutrosophic approximation space. Then* \forall *B* ϵ *SVNS*(*U*), *the lower approximation* $\underline{N}(B)$ *and upper approximation* $\overline{N}(B)$ of B are defined as follows:

$$T_{\underline{N}(B)}(y) = \min_{z \in U} [\max(F_R(y, z), T_B(z))], I_{\underline{N}(B)}(y) = \max_{z \in U} [\min((1 - I_R(y, z)), I_B(z))],$$

$$F_{\underline{N}(B)}(y) = \max_{z \in U} [\min(T_R(y, z), F_B(z))], I_{\overline{N}(B)}(y) = \min_{z \in U} [\max(I_R(y, z), I_B(z))],$$

$$F_{\overline{N}(B)}(y) = \min_{z \in U} [\max(F_R(y, z), F_B(z))]$$

The pair $(\underline{N}(B), \overline{N}(B))$ is called the single valued neutrosophic rough set of B, with respect to (U, R).

According to the operation of neutrosophic number in [16], the sum of two neutrosophic sets in U is defined as follows.

Definition 4. If *C* and *D* are two neutrosophic sets in U, then the sum of C and D is defined as follows:

$$C + D = \{ \langle y, C(y) \oplus D(y) \rangle \mid y \in U \}.$$

Definition 5 ([30]). *If* $b = (T_b, I_b, F_b)$ *is a neutrosophic number,* $n^* = (T_{b^*}, I_{b^*}, F_{b^*}) = (1, 0, 0)$ *is an ideal neutrosophic number. Then, the cosine similarity measure is defined as follows:*

$$S(b,b^*) = \frac{T_b \cdot T_{b^*} + I_b \cdot I_{b^*} + F_b \cdot F_{b^*}}{\sqrt{T_b^2 + I_b^2 + F_b^2} \cdot \sqrt{(T_{b^*})^2 + (I_{b^*})^2 + (F_{b^*})^2}}$$

3. Multi-Granulation Neutrosophic Rough Sets

In this part, we propose the concept of MGNRS and study their characterizations. MGNRS is a rough set generated by multi-neutrosophic relations, and when all neutrosophic relations are same, MGNRS will degenerated to neutrosophic rough set.

Definition 6. Assume U is a non-empty finite domain, and R_i $(1 \le i \le n)$ is the binary neutrosophic relation on U. Then, (U, R_i) is called the multi-granulation neutrosophic approximation space (MGNAS).

Next, we present the multi-granulation rough approximation of a neutrosophic concept in an approximation space.

Definition 7. Let the tuple ordered set (U, R_i) $(1 \le i \le n)$ be a MGNAS. For any $B \in NS$ (U), the three memberships of the optimistic lower approximation $\underline{M}^o(B)$ and optimistic upper approximation $\overline{M}^o(B)$ in (U, R_i) are defined, respectively, as follows:

$$T_{\underline{M}^{o}(B)}(y) = \max_{i=1}^{n} \min_{z \in U} \left(\max\left(F_{R_{i}}(y, z), T_{B}(z)\right)\right) I_{\underline{M}^{o}(B)}(y) = \min_{i=1}^{n} \max_{z \in U} \left(\min\left(\left(1 - I_{R_{i}}(y, z)\right), I_{B}(z)\right)\right), \\ F_{\underline{M}^{o}(B)}(y) = \min_{i=1}^{n} \max_{z \in U} \left(\min\left(T_{R_{i}}(y, z), F_{B}(z)\right)\right), T_{\overline{M}^{o}(B)}(y) = \min_{i=1}^{n} \max_{z \in U} \left(\min\left(T_{R_{i}}(y, z), T_{B}(z)\right)\right), \\ I_{\overline{M}^{o}(B)}(y) = \max_{i=1}^{n} \min_{z \in U} \left(\max\left(I_{R_{i}}(y, z), I_{B}(z)\right)\right), F_{\overline{M}^{o}(B)}(y) = \max_{i=1}^{n} \min_{z \in U} \left(\max\left(F_{R_{i}}(y, z), F_{B}(z)\right)\right).$$

Then, $\underline{M}^{o}(B)$, $\overline{M}^{o}(B)$ \in NS(U). In addition, B is called a definable neutrosophic set on (U, R_i) when $\underline{M}^{o}(B) = \overline{M}^{o}(B)$. Otherwise, the pair $(\underline{M}^{o}(B), \overline{M}^{o}(B))$ is called an optimistic MGNRS.

Definition 8. Let the tuple ordered set (U, R_i) $(1 \le i \le n)$ be a MGNAS. For any $B \in NS(U)$, the three memberships of pessimistic lower approximation $\underline{M}^p(B)$ and pessimistic upper approximation $\overline{M}^p(B)$ in (U, R_i) are defined, respectively, as follows:

$$T_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{i=1}^{n} \min_{\substack{z \in U \\ n}} (\max(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), T_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \max_{i=1}^{n} \max_{\substack{z \in U \\ n}} (\min((1 - I_{R_{i}}(y,z)), I_{B}(z))), F_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \max_{i=1}^{n} \max_{\substack{z \in U \\ n}} (\min(T_{R_{i}}(y,z), T_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \max_{i=1}^{n} \max_{\substack{z \in U \\ n}} (\min(T_{R_{i}}(y,z), T_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{i=1}^{n} \min_{\substack{z \in U \\ n \in U}} (\max(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), F_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{i=1}^{n} \min_{\substack{z \in U \\ n \in U}} (\max(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), F_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{i=1}^{n} \min_{\substack{z \in U \\ n \in U}} (\max(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), F_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{i=1}^{n} \min_{\substack{z \in U \\ n \in U}} (\max(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), F_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{\substack{z \in U \\ n \in U}} \min(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), F_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{\substack{z \in U \\ n \in U}} \min(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), F_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{\substack{z \in U \\ n \in U}} \min(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), F_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{\substack{z \in U \\ n \in U}} \min(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), F_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{\substack{z \in U \\ n \in U}} \min(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), F_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{\substack{z \in U \\ n \in U}} \min(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), F_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{\substack{z \in U \\ n \in U}} \min(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), F_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{\substack{z \in U \\ n \in U}} \min(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), F_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{\substack{z \in U \\ n \in U}} \min(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), F_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{\substack{z \in U \\ n \in U}} \min(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), F_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{\substack{z \in U \\ n \in U}} \min(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), F_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{\substack{z \in U \\ n \in U}} \min(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), F_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{\substack{z \in U \\ n \in U}} \min(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), F_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{\substack{z \in U \\ n \in U}} \min(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), F_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{\substack{z \in U \\ n \in U}} \min(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), F_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{\substack{z \in U \\ n \in U}} \min(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), F_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{\substack{z \in U \\ n \in U}} \min(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), F_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{\substack{z \in U \\ n \in U}} \min(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), F_{B}(z))), I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{\substack{x \in U \\ n \in U}} \min(F_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y,z)), I_{\underline{M}^{p}$$

Similarly, B is called a definable neutrosophic set on (U, R_i) when $\underline{M}^p(B) = \overline{M}^p(B)$. Otherwise, the pair $(\underline{M}^p(B), \overline{M}^p(B))$ is called a pessimistic MGNRS.

Example 1. Define MGNAS (U, R_i) , where $U = \{z_1, z_2, z_3\}$ and R_i $(1 \le i \le 3)$ are given in Tables 1–3

<i>R</i> ₁	<i>z</i> ₁	<i>z</i> ₂	<i>z</i> ₃
z_1	(0.4, 0.5, 0.4)	(0.5, 0.7, 0.1)	(1, 0.8, 0.8)
z_2	(0.5, 0.6, 1)	(0.2, 0.6, 0.4)	(0.9, 0.2, 0.4)
z_3	(1, 0.2, 0)	(0.8, 0.9, 1)	(0.6, 1, 0)

Table 1. Neutrosophic relation *R*₁.

Table 2. Neutrosophic relation *R*₂.

R ₂	z_1	<i>z</i> ₂	z_3
z_1	(0.9, 0.2, 0.4)	(0.3, 0.9, 0.1)	(0.1, 0.7, 0)
z_2	(0.4, 0.5, 0.1)	(0, 0.1, 0.7)	(1, 0.8, 0.8)
z_3	(1, 0.5, 0)	(0.4, 0.4, 0.2)	(0.1, 0.5, 0.4)

Table 3. Neutrosophic relation *R*₃.

R_3	z_1	<i>z</i> ₂	<i>z</i> ₃
z_1	(0.7, 0.7, 0)	(0.4, 0.8, 0.9)	(1, 0.4, 0.5)
z_2	(0.8, 0.2, 0.1)	(1, 0.1, 0.8)	(0.1, 0.3, 0.5)
z_3	(0, 0.8, 1)	(1, 0, 1)	(1, 1, 0)

Suppose a neutrosophic set on *U* is as follows: $C(z_1) = (0.2, 0.6, 0.4), C(z_2) = (0.5, 0.4, 1), C(z_3) = (0.7, 0.1, 0.5);$ by Definitions 7 and 8, we can get the following:

 $\underline{\underline{M}}^{o}(C)(z_{1}) = (0.4, 0.3, 0.4), \underline{\underline{M}}^{o}(C)(z_{2}) = (0.5, 0.4, 0.5), \underline{\underline{M}}^{o}(C)(z_{3}) = (0.7, 0.4, 0.4)$ $\overline{\underline{M}}^{o}(C)(z_{1}) = (0.3, 0.6, 0.4), \overline{\underline{M}}^{o}(C)(z_{2}) = (0.5, 0.4, 0.5), \overline{\underline{M}}^{o}(C)(z_{3}) = (0.4, 0.6, 0.5)$ $\underline{\underline{M}}^{p}(C)(z_{1}) = (0.2, 0.6, 0.5), \underline{\underline{M}}^{p}(C)(z_{2}) = (0.2, 0.6, 0.1), \underline{\underline{M}}^{p}(C)(z_{3}) = (0.2, 0.6, 0.1)$ $\overline{\underline{M}}^{p}(C)(z_{1}) = (0.7, 0.4, 0.4), \overline{\underline{M}}^{p}(C)(z_{2}) = (0.7, 0.2, 0.4), \overline{\underline{M}}^{p}(C)(z_{3}) = (0.7, 0.4, 0.4)$

Proposition 1. Assume (U, R_i) is MGNAS, R_i $(1 \le i \le n)$ is the neutrosophic relations. $\forall C \in NS(U)$, $\underline{M}^o(C)$ and $\overline{M}^o(C)$ are the optimistic lower and upper approximation of C. Then,

$$\underline{M}^{o}(C) = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} \underline{N}(C) \overline{M}^{o}(C) = \bigcap_{i=1}^{n} \overline{N}(C)$$

where

$$\underline{N}(C)(y) = \bigcap_{z \in U} (R_i^c(y, z) \cup C(z)), \overline{N}(C)(y) = \bigcup_{z \in U} (R_i(y, z) \cap C(z))$$

Proof. They can be proved by Definitions 7.

Proposition 2. Assume (U, R_i) be MGNAS, R_i $(1 \le i \le n)$ be neutrosophic relations. $\forall C \in NS(U)$, $\underline{M}^p(C)$ and $\overline{M}^p(C)$ are the pessimistic lower and upper approximation of C. Then

$$\underline{M}^{p}(C) = \bigcap_{i=1}^{n} \underline{N}(C) \overline{M}^{p}(C) = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} \overline{N}(C)$$

where

$$\underline{N}(C)(y) = \bigcap_{z \in U} (R_i^c(y, z) \cup C(z)), \overline{N}(C)(y) = \bigcup_{z \in U} (R_i(y, z) \cap C(z))$$

Proof. Proposition 2 can be proven by Definition 8.

Proposition 3. Assume (U, R_i) is MGNAS, R_i $(1 \le i \le n)$ is the neutrosophic relations. $\forall C, D \in NS(U)$, we have the following:

- (1) $\underline{M}^{o}(C) = \sim \overline{M}^{o}(\sim C), \underline{M}^{p}(C) = \sim \overline{M}^{p}(\sim C);$ (2) $\overline{M}^{o}(C) = \sim \underline{M}^{o}(\sim C), \overline{M}^{p}(C) = \sim \underline{M}^{p}(\sim C);$ (3) $\underline{M}^{o}(C \cap D) = \underline{M}^{o}(C) \cap \underline{M}^{o}(D), \underline{M}^{p}(C \cap D) = \underline{M}^{p}(C) \cap \underline{M}^{p}(D);$ (4) $\overline{M}^{o}(C \cup D) = \overline{M}^{o}(C) \cup \overline{M}^{o}(D), \overline{M}^{p}(C \cup D) = \overline{M}^{p}(C) \cup \overline{M}^{p}(D);$ (5) $C \subseteq D \Rightarrow \underline{M}^{o}(C) \subseteq \underline{M}^{o}(D), \underline{M}^{p}(C) \subseteq \underline{M}^{p}(D);$ (6) $C \subseteq D \Rightarrow \overline{M}^{o}(C) \subseteq \overline{M}^{o}(D), \overline{M}^{p}(C) \subseteq \overline{M}^{p}(D);$
- (7) $\underline{M}^{o}(C \cup D) \supseteq \underline{M}^{o}(C) \cup \underline{M}^{o}(D), \underline{M}^{p}(C \cup D) \supseteq \underline{M}^{p}(C) \cup \underline{M}^{p}(D);$
- (8) $\overline{M}^{o}(C \cap D) \subseteq \overline{M}^{o}(C) \cap \overline{M}^{o}(D), \overline{M}^{p}(C \cap D) \subseteq \overline{M}^{p}(C) \cap \overline{M}^{p}(D).$

Proof. (1), (2), (5), and (6) can be taken directly from Definitions 7 and 8. We only show (3), (4), (7), and (8).

(3) From Proposition 1, we have the following:

$$\underline{M}^{o}(C \cap D)(y) = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} \left(\bigcap_{z \in U} (R_{i}^{c}(y, z) \cup (C \cap D)(z)) \right) \\ = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} \left(\bigcap_{z \in U} ((R_{i}^{c}(y, z) \cup C(z)) \cap (R_{i}^{c}(y, z) \cup D(z))) \right) \\ = \left(\bigcap_{i=1}^{n} \left(\bigcap_{z \in U} (R_{i}^{c}(y, z) \cup C(z)) \right) \right) \cap \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{n} \left(\bigcap_{z \in U} (R_{i}^{c}(y, z) \cup D(z)) \right) \right) \\ = \underline{M}^{o}C(y) \cap \underline{M}^{o}D(y).$$

Similarly, from Proposition 2, we can get the following:

$$\underline{M}^{p}(C \cap D)(y) = \underline{M}^{p}C(y) \cap \underline{M}^{p}D(y).$$

(4) According to Propositions 1 and 2, in the same way as (3), we can get the proof.

(7) From Definition 7, we have the following:

$$T_{\underline{M}^{o}(C\cup D)}(y) = \max_{\substack{i=1\\n}}^{n} \min_{z \in U} \{\max[F_{R_{i}}(y, z), (\max(T_{C}(z), T_{D}(z)))]\} \\ = \max_{i=1}^{n} \min_{z \in U} \{\max[(\max(F_{R_{i}}(y, z), T_{C}(z))), (\max(F_{R_{i}}(y, z), T_{D}(z)))]\} \\ \ge \max\left\{ \left[\max_{i=1}^{n} \min_{z \in U} (\max(F_{R_{i}}(y, z), T_{C}(z)))\right], \left[\max_{i=1}^{n} \min_{z \in U} (\max(F_{R_{i}}(y, z), T_{D}(z)))\right]\right\} \\ = \max\left(T_{\underline{M}^{o}(C)}(y), T_{\underline{M}^{o}(D)}(y)\right).$$

$$\begin{split} I_{\underline{M}^{0}(C\cup D)}(y) &= \min_{\substack{i=1\\n}}^{n} \max_{z\in U} \{\min[(1 - I_{R_{i}}(y, z)), (\min(I_{C}(z), I_{D}(z)))]\} \\ &= \min_{i=1}^{n} \max_{z\in U} \{\min[(\min((1 - I_{R_{i}}(y, z)), I_{C}(z))), (\min((1 - I_{R_{i}}(y, z)), I_{D}(z)))]\} \\ &\leq \min\left\{ \left[\min_{i=1}^{n} \max_{z\in U} (\min((1 - I_{R_{i}}(y, z)), I_{C}(z))) \right], \left[\min_{i=1}^{n} \max_{z\in U} (\min((1 - I_{R_{i}}(y, z)), I_{D}(z))) \right] \right\} \\ &= \min(I_{\underline{M}^{0}(C)}(y), I_{\underline{M}^{0}(D)}(y)). \\ F_{\underline{M}^{0}(C\cup D)}(y) &= \min_{i=1}^{n} \max_{z\in U} \{\min[T_{R_{i}}(y, z), (\min(F_{C}(z), F_{D}(z)))] \} \\ &= \min_{i=1}^{n} \max_{z\in U} \{\min[\min(T_{R_{i}}(y, z), F_{C}(z))], [\min(T_{R_{i}}(y, z), F_{D}(z))] \} \\ &= \min\left\{ \left[\min_{i=1}^{n} \max_{z\in U} (\min(T_{R_{i}}(y, z), F_{C}(z))) \right], \left[\min_{i=1}^{n} \max_{z\in U} (\min(T_{R_{i}}(y, z), F_{D}(z))) \right] \right\} \\ &= \min(F_{\underline{M}^{0}(C)}(y), F_{\underline{M}^{0}(D)}(y)). \end{split}$$

Hence, $\underline{M}^{o}(C \cup D) \supseteq \underline{M}^{o}(C) \cup \underline{M}^{o}(D)$. Also, according to Definition 8, we can get $\underline{M}^{p}(C \cup D) \supseteq \underline{M}^{p}(C) \cup \underline{M}^{p}(D)$. (8) From Definition 7, we have the following:

$$T_{\overline{M}^{0}(C\cap D)}(y) = \min_{\substack{i=1\\n}}^{n} \max_{z \in U} \{\min[T_{R_{i}}(y, z), (\min(T_{C}(z), T_{D}(z)))]\}$$

= min_{i=1}^{n} max_{z \in U} \{\min[(\min(T_{R_{i}}(y, z), T_{C}(z))), (\min(T_{R_{i}}(y, z), T_{D}(z)))]\}
\leq min \left\{ \left[\min_{i=1}^{n} \max_{z \in U} (\min(T_{R_{i}}(y, z), T_{C}(z)))\right], \left[\min_{i=1}^{n} \max_{z \in U} (\min(T_{R_{i}}(y, z), T_{D}(z)))\right] \right\}
= min $\left(T_{\overline{M}^{0}(C)}(y), T_{\overline{M}^{0}(D)}(y)\right).$

$$\begin{split} I_{\overline{M}^{0}(C\cap D)}(y) &= \max_{\substack{i=1\\n}}^{n} \min_{z \in U} \{\max\left[I_{R_{i}}(y, z), (\max(I_{C}(z), I_{D}(z)))\right]\} \\ &= \max_{i=1}^{n} \min_{z \in U} \{\max\left[\left(\max\left(I_{R_{i}}(y, z), I_{C}(z)\right)\right), (\max\left(I_{R_{i}}(y, z), I_{D}(z)\right)\right)\right]\} \\ &\leq \min\left\{\left[\max_{i=1}^{n} \min_{z \in U} (\max\left(I_{R_{i}}(y, z), I_{C}(z)\right))\right], \left[\max_{i=1}^{n} \min_{z \in U} (\max\left(I_{R_{i}}(y, z), I_{D}(z)\right))\right]\right\} \\ &= \min\left(I_{\overline{M}^{0}(C)}(y), I_{\overline{M}^{0}(D)}(y)\right). \\ F_{\overline{M}^{0}(C\cap D)}(y) &= \max_{i=1}^{n} \min_{z \in U} \left[F_{R_{i}}(y, z) \lor (F_{C}(z) \lor F_{D}(z))\right] \\ &= \max_{i=1}^{n} \min_{z \in U} \left[(F_{R_{i}}(y, z) \lor F_{C}(z)) \lor (F_{R_{i}}(y, z) \lor F_{D}(z))\right] \\ &\geq \left[\max_{i=1}^{n} \min_{z \in U} \left(F_{R_{i}}(y, z) \lor F_{C}(z)\right)\right] \lor \left[\max_{i=1}^{n} \min_{z \in U} (F_{R_{i}}(y, z) \lor F_{D}(z))\right] \\ &= \max\left(F_{\overline{M}^{0}(C)}(y), F_{\overline{M}^{0}(D)}(y)\right). \end{split}$$

Hence, $\overline{M}^{o}(C \cap D) \subseteq \overline{M}^{o}(C) \cap \overline{M}^{o}(D)$. Similarly, according Definition 8, we can get $\overline{M}^{p}(C \cap D) \subseteq \overline{M}^{p}(C) \cap \overline{M}^{p}(D)$. Next, we will give an example to show that maybe $\underline{M}^{o}(C \cup D) \neq \underline{M}^{o}(C) \cup \underline{M}^{o}(D)$.

Example 2. Define MGNAS (U, R_i), where $U = \{z_1, z_2, z_3\}$ and R_i ($1 \le i \le 3$) are given in Example 1. Suppose there are two neutrosophic sets on universe U, as follows: $C(z_1) = (0.5, 0.1, 0.2), C(z_2) = (0.5, 0.3, 0.2), C(z_3) = (0.6, 0.2, 0.1), D(z_1) = (0.7, 0.2, 0.1), D(z_2) = (0.4, 0.2, 0.1), D(z_3) = (0.2, 0.2, 0.5), we have <math>(C \cup D)(z_1) = (0.7, 0.1, 0.1), (C \cup D)(z_2) = (0.5, 0.2, 0.1), (C \cup D)(z_3) = (0.6, 0.2, 0.1), (C \cap D)(z_1) = (0.5, 0.1, 0.2)$ 0.2), $(C \cap D)(z_2) = (0.4, 0.2, 0.2)$, $(C \cap D)(z_3) = (0.2, 0.2, 0.5)$. Then, from Definitions 7 and 8, we can get the following:

$$\underline{M}^{o}(C)(z_{1}) = (0.5, 0, 0.2), \underline{M}^{o}(C)(z_{2}) = (0.5, 0.1, 0.2), \underline{M}^{o}(C)(z_{3}) = (0.5, 0.1, 0.2); \\ \underline{M}^{o}(D)(z_{1}) = (0.4, 0, 0.1), \underline{M}^{o}(D)(z_{2}) = (0.2, 0.1, 0.2), \underline{M}^{o}(D)(z_{3}) = (0.4, 0.1, 0.2); \\ \underline{M}^{o}(C \cup D)(z_{1}) = (0.5, 0, 0.1), \underline{M}^{o}(C \cup D)(z_{2}) = (0.5, 0.1, 0.1), \underline{M}^{o}(C \cup D)(z_{3}) = (0.5, 0.1, 0.1) \\ (\underline{M}^{o}(C) \cup \underline{M}^{o}(D))(z_{1}) = (0.5, 0, 0.1), (\underline{M}^{o}(C) \cup \underline{M}^{o}(D))(z_{2}) = (0.5, 0.1, 0.2), \\ (\underline{M}^{o}(C) \cup \underline{M}^{o}(D))(z_{3}) = (0.5, 0.1, 0.2)$$

So, $\underline{M}^{o}(C \cup D) \neq \underline{M}^{o}(C) \cup \underline{M}^{o}(D)$. Also, there are examples to show that maybe $\underline{M}^{p}(C \cup D) \neq \underline{M}^{p}(C) \cup \underline{M}^{p}(D)$, $\overline{M}^{o}(C \cap D) \neq \overline{M}^{o}(C) \cap \overline{M}^{o}(D)$, $\overline{M}^{p}(C \cap D) \neq \overline{M}^{p}(C) \cap \overline{M}^{p}(D)$. We do not say anymore here.

4. Multi-Granulation Neutrosophic Rough Sets on Dual Domains

In this section, we propose the concept of MGNRS on dual domains and study their characterizations. Also, we obtain that the MGNRS on dual domains will degenerate into MGNRS, defined in Section 3, when the two domains are same.

Definition 9. Assume that U and V are two domains, and $R_i \in NS(U \times V)$ $(1 \le i \le n)$ is the binary neutrosophic relations. The triple ordered set (U, V, R_i) is called the (two-domain) MGNAS.

Next, we present the multi-granulation rough approximation of a neutrosophic concept in an approximation space on dual domains.

Definition 10. Let (U, V, R_i) $(1 \le i \le n)$ be (two-domain) MGNAS. $\forall B \in NS(V)$ and $y \in U$, the three memberships of the optimistic lower and upper approximation $\underline{M}^o(B)$, $\overline{M}^o(B)$ in (U, V, R_i) are defined, respectively, as follows:

$$T_{\underline{M}^{o}(B)}(y) = \max_{i=1}^{n} \min_{z \in V} \left[\max\left(F_{R_{i}}(y,z), T_{B}(z)\right) \right] I_{\underline{M}^{o}(B)}(y) = \min_{i=1}^{n} \max_{z \in V} \left[\min\left(\left(1 - I_{R_{i}}(y,z)\right), I_{B}(z)\right) \right]$$

$$F_{\underline{M}^{0}(B)}(y) = \min_{i=1}^{n} \max_{z \in V} [\min(T_{R_{i}}(y, z), F_{B}(z))] T_{\overline{M}^{0}(B)}(y) = \min_{i=1}^{n} \max_{z \in V} [\min(T_{R_{i}}(y, z), T_{B}(z))] I_{\overline{M}^{0}(B)}(y) = \max_{i=1}^{n} \min_{z \in V} [\max(I_{R_{i}}(y, z), I_{B}(z))] F_{\overline{M}^{0}(B)}(y) = \max_{i=1}^{n} \min_{z \in V} [\max(F_{R_{i}}(y, z), F_{B}(z))]$$

Then $\underline{M}^{o}(B)$, $\overline{M}^{o}(B) \in NS(U)$. In addition, *B* is called a definable neutrosophic set on (U, V, R_i) on dual domains when $\underline{M}^{o}(B) = \overline{M}^{o}(B)$. Otherwise, the pair $(\underline{M}^{o}(B), \overline{M}^{o}(B))$ is called an optimistic MGNRS on dual domains.

Definition 11. Assume (U, V, R_i) $(1 \le i \le n)$ is (two-domain) MGNAS. $\forall B \in NS(V)$ and $y \in U$, the three memberships of the pessimistic lower and upper approximation $\underline{M}^p(B)$, $\overline{M}^p(B)$ in (U, V, R_i) are defined, respectively, as follows:

$$T_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{i=1}^{n} \min_{z \in V} \left[\max\left(F_{R_{i}}(y, z), T_{B}(z)\right) \right], I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \max_{i=1}^{n} \max_{z \in V} \left[\min\left(\left(1 - I_{R_{i}}(y, z)\right), I_{B}(z)\right) \right], I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \max_{i=1}^{n} \max_{z \in V} \left[\min\left(T_{R_{i}}(y, z), F_{B}(z)\right) \right], T_{\overline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \max_{n=1}^{n} \max_{z \in V} \left[\min\left(T_{R_{i}}(y, z), T_{B}(z)\right) \right], I_{\underline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{n=1}^{n} \min_{z \in V} \left[\max\left(I_{R_{i}}(y, z), I_{B}(z)\right) \right], F_{\overline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{i=1}^{n} \min_{z \in V} \left[\max\left(I_{R_{i}}(y, z), I_{B}(z)\right) \right], F_{\overline{M}^{p}(B)}(y) = \min_{i=1}^{n} \min_{z \in V} \left[\max\left(F_{R_{i}}(y, z), F_{B}(z)\right) \right].$$

Then, *B* is called a definable neutrosophic set on (U, V, R_i) when $\underline{M}^p(B) = \overline{M}^p(B)$. Otherwise, the pair $(\underline{M}^p(B), \overline{M}^p(B))$ is called a pessimistic MGNRS on dual domains.

Remark 1. Note that if U = V, then the optimistic and pessimistic MGNRS on the dual domains will be the same with the optimistic and pessimistic MGNRS on a single domain, which is defined in Section 3

Proposition 4. Assume (U, V, R_i) $(1 \le i \le n)$ is (two-domain) MGNAS, R_i $(1 \le i \le n)$ is the neutrosophic relations. $\forall C, D \in NS(U)$, we have the following:

- (1) $\underline{M}^{o}(C) = \sim \overline{M}^{o}(\sim C), \underline{M}^{p}(C) = \sim \overline{M}^{p}(\sim C);$
- (2) $\overline{M}^{o}(C) = \sim \underline{M}^{o}(\sim C), \overline{M}^{p}(C) = \sim \underline{M}^{p}(\sim C);$

(3) $\underline{M}^{o}(C \cap D) = \underline{M}^{o}(C) \cap \underline{M}^{o}(D), \underline{M}^{p}(C \cap D) = \underline{M}^{p}(C) \cap \underline{M}^{p}(D);$

- (4) $\overline{M}^{o}(C \cup D) = \overline{M}^{o}(C) \cup \overline{M}^{o}(D), \overline{M}^{p}(C \cup D) = \overline{M}^{p}(C) \cup \overline{M}^{p}(D);$
- (5) $C \subseteq D \Rightarrow \underline{M}^{o}(C) \subseteq \underline{M}^{o}(D), \underline{M}^{p}(C) \subseteq \underline{M}^{p}(D);$
- (6) $C \subseteq D \Rightarrow \overline{M}^{o}(C) \subseteq \overline{M}^{o}(D), \overline{M}^{p}(C) \subseteq \overline{M}^{p}(D);$
- (7) $\underline{M}^{o}(C \cup D) \supseteq \underline{M}^{o}(C) \cup \underline{M}^{o}(D), \underline{M}^{p}(C \cup D) \supseteq \underline{M}^{p}(C) \cup \underline{M}^{p}(D);$
- (8) $\overline{M}^{o}(C \cap D) \subseteq \overline{M}^{o}(C) \cap \overline{M}^{o}(D), \overline{M}^{p}(C \cap D) \subseteq \overline{M}^{p}(C) \cap \overline{M}^{p}(D).$

Proof. These propositions can be directly proven from Definitions 10 and 11.

5. An Application of Multi-Granulation Neutrosophic Rough Set on Dual Domains

Group decision making [31] is a useful way to solve uncertainty problems. It has developed rapidly since it was first proposed. Its essence is that in the decision-making process, multiple decision makers (experts) are required to participate and negotiate in order to settle the corresponding decision-making problems. However, with the complexity of the group decision-making problems, what we need to deal with is the multi-criteria problems, that is, multi-criteria group decision making (MCGDM). The MCGDM problem is to select or rank all of the feasible alternatives in multiple, interactive, and conflicting standards.

In this section, we build a neo-way to solve a kind of special MCGDM problem using the MGNRS theory. We generated the rough set according the multi-neutrosophic relations and then used it to solve the decision-making problems. We show the course and methodology of it.

5.1. Problem Description

Firstly, we describe the considered problem and we show it using a MCGDM example of houses selecting.

Let $U = \{x_1, x_2, ..., x_m\}$ be the decision set, where x_1 represents very good, x_2 represents good, x_3 represents less good, ..., and x_m represents not good. Let $V = \{y_1, y_2, ..., y_n\}$ be the criteria set to describe the given house, where y_1 represents texture, y_2 represents geographic location, y_3 represents price, ..., and y_n represents solidity. Suppose there are k evaluation experts and all of the experts give their own evaluation for criteria set y_j ($y_j \in V$) (j = 1, 2, ..., n), regarding the decision set elements x_i ($x_i \in U$) (i = 1, 2, ..., m). In this paper, let the evaluation relation $R_1, R_2, ..., R_k$ between V and U given by the experts, be the neutrosophic relation, $R_1, R_2, ..., R_k \in SNS$ ($U \times V$). That is, R_l (x_i, y_j) (l = 1, 2, ..., k) represents the relation of the criteria set y_j and the decision set element x_i , which is given by expert l, based on their own specialized knowledge and experience. For a given customer, the criterion of the customer is shown using a neutrosophic set, C, in V, according to an expert's opinion. Then, the result of this problem is to get the opinion of the given house for the customer.

Then, we show the method to solve the above problem according to the theory of optimistic and pessimistic MGNRS on dual domains.

5.2. New Method

In the first step, we propose the multi-granulation neutrosophic decision information system based on dual domains for the above problem.

According to Section 5.1's description, we can get the evaluation of each expert as a neutrosophic relation. Then, all of the binary neutrosophic relations R_l given by all of the experts construct a relation set \mathcal{R} (i.e., $R_l \in \mathcal{R}$). Then, we get the multi-granulation neutrosophic decision information systems based on dual domains, denoted by (U, V, \mathcal{R}) .

Secondly, we compute $\underline{M}^{o}(C)$, $\overline{M}^{o}(C)$, $\underline{M}^{p}(C)$, $\overline{M}^{p}(C)$ for the given customer, regarding (U, V, \mathcal{R}). Thirdly, according to Definition 4, we computed the sum of the optimistic and pessimistic multi-granulation neutrosophic lower and upper approximation.

Next, according Definition 5, we computed the cosine similarity measure. Define the choice x^* with the idea characteristics value $\alpha * = (1, 0, 0)$ as the ideal choice. The bigger the value of $S(\alpha_{x_i}, \alpha^*)$ is, the closer the choice x_i with the ideal alternative x *, so the better choice x_i is.

Finally, we compared $S(\alpha_{x_i}, \alpha^*)$ and ranked all of the choices that the given customer can choose from and we obtained the optimal choice.

5.3. Algorithm and Pseudo-Code

In this section, we provide the algorithm and pseudo-code given in table Algorithm 1.

Algorithm 1. Multi-granulation neutrosophic decision algorithm.

Input Multi-granulation neutrosophic decision information systems (U, V, \mathcal{R}) . Output The optimal choice for the client. **Step 1** Computing $\underline{M}^{o}(C)$, $\overline{M}^{o}(C)$, $\underline{M}^{p}(C)$, $\overline{M}^{p}(C)$ of neutrosophic set *C* about (*U*, *V*, \mathcal{R}); **Step 2** From Definition 4., we get $\underline{M}^{o}(C) + \overline{M}^{o}(C)$ and $\underline{M}^{p}(A) + \overline{M}^{p}(A)$; **Step 3** From Definition 5., we computer $S^o(\alpha_{x_i}, \alpha^*)$ and $S^p(\alpha_{x_i}, \alpha^*)$ (i = 1, 2, ..., m); **Step 4** The optimal decision-making is to choose x_h if $S(\alpha_{x_h}, \alpha^*) = \max_{i \in \{1, 2, \cdots, m\}} (S(\alpha_{x_i}, \alpha^*)).$ pseudo-code Begin Input (U, V, \mathcal{R}) , where U is the decision set, V is the criteria set, and \mathcal{R} denotes the binary neutrosophic relation between criteria set and decision set. Calculate $\underline{M}^{o}(C)$, $\overline{M}^{o}(C)$, $\underline{M}^{p}(C)$, $\overline{M}^{p}(C)$. Where $\underline{M}^{o}(C)$, $\overline{M}^{o}(C)$, $\underline{M}^{p}(C)$, $\overline{M}^{p}(C)$, which represents the optimistic and pessimistic multi-granulation lower and upper approximation of C, which is defined in Section 4. Calculate $\underline{M}^{o}(C) + \overline{M}^{o}(C)$ and $\underline{M}^{p}(C) + \overline{M}^{p}(C)$, which is defined in Definition 4. Calculate $S^{o}(\underline{M}^{o}(C) + \overline{M}^{o}(C), \alpha^{*})$ and $S^{p}(\underline{M}^{p}(C) + \overline{M}^{p}(C), \alpha^{*})$, which is defined in Definition 5. For i = 1, 2, ..., m; j = 1, 2, ..., n; l = 1, 2, ..., k; If $S^{o}(\alpha_{x_{i}}, \alpha^{*}) < S^{o}(\alpha_{x_{j}}, \alpha^{*})$, then $S^{o}(\alpha_{x_{j}}, \alpha^{*}) \to Max$, else $S^{o}(\alpha_{x_{i}}, \alpha^{*}) \rightarrow Max$, If $S^{o}(\alpha_{x_{l}}, \alpha^{*}) > Max$, then $S^{o}(\alpha_{x_{l}}, \alpha^{*}) \rightarrow Max$; Print Max;

End

5.4. An Example

In this section, we used Section 5.2's way of solving a MCGDM problem, using the example of buying houses.

Let $V = \{y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4\}$ be the criteria set, where y_1 represents the texture, y_2 represents the geographic location, y_3 represents the price, and y_4 represents the solidity. Let $U = \{z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4\}$ be a decision set, where z_1 represents very good, z_2 represents good, z_3 represents less good, and z_4 represents not good.

Assume that there are three experts. They provide their opinions about all of the criteria sets y_j ($y_j \in V$) (j = 1, 2, 3, 4) regarding the decision set elements z_i ($x_i \in U$) (i = 1, 2, 3, 4). Like the discussion in Section 5.1, the experts give three evaluation relations, R_1 , R_2 , and R_3 , which are neutrosophic relations between V and U, that is, R_1 , R_2 , $R_3 \in NR(U \times V)$. $T_{Rk}(z_i, y_j)$ shows the expert, k, give the truth membership of y_j to z_i ; $I_{Rk}(z_i, y_j)$ shows the expert, k, give the falsity membership of y_j to z_i . For example, the first value (0.2, 0.3, 0.4) in Table 4, of 0.2 shows that the truth membership of the texture for the given house is very good, and 0.4 shows that the falsity membership of the texture for the given house is very good, and 0.4 shows that the falsity membership of the texture for the given house is very good.

R_1	y_1	<i>Y</i> 2	<i>y</i> 3	y_4
z_1	(0.2, 0.3, 0.4)	(0.3, 0.5, 0.4)	(0.4, 0.6, 0.2)	(0.1, 0.3, 0.5)
z_2	(0.8, 0.7, 0.1)	(0.2, 0.5, 0.6)	(0.6, 0.6, 0.7)	(0.4, 0.6, 0.3)
z_3	(0.5, 0.7, 0.2)	(0.6, 0.2, 0.1)	(1, 0.9, 0.4)	(0.5, 0.4, 0.3)
z_4	(0.4, 0.6, 0.3)	(0.5, 0.5, 0.4)	(0.3, 0.8, 0.4)	(0.2, 0.9, 0.8)

Table 4. Neutrosophic relation *R*₁.

So, we build the multi-granulation neutrosophic decision information system (U, V, \mathcal{R}) for the example.

Assume that the three experts give three evaluation relations, the results are given in Tables 4-6.

<i>R</i> ₂	y_1	<i>y</i> 2	Уз	<i>y</i> 4
z_1	(0.3, 0.4, 0.5)	(0.6, 0.7, 0.2)	(0.1, 0.8, 0.3)	(0.5, 0.3, 0.4)
z_2	(0.5, 0.5, 0.4)	(1, 0, 1)	(0.8, 0.1, 0.8)	(0.7, 0.8, 0.5)
z_3	(0.7, 0.2, 0.1)	(0.3, 0.5, 0.4)	(0.6, 0.1, 0.4)	(1, 0, 0)
z_4	(1, 0.2, 0)	(0.8, 0.1, 0.5)	(0.1, 0.2, 0.7)	(0.2, 0.2, 0.8)

Table 5. Neutrosophic relation *R*₂.

R_3	<i>y</i> 1	<i>Y</i> 2	<i>y</i> 3	y_4
z_1	(0.6, 0.2, 0.2)	(0.3, 0.1, 0.7)	(0, 0.2, 0.9)	(0.8, 0.3, 0.2)
z_2	(0.1, 0.1, 0.7)	(0.2, 0.3, 0.8)	(0.7, 0.1, 0.2)	(0, 0, 1)
z_3	(0.8, 0.4, 0.1)	(0.9, 0.5, 0.3)	(0.2, 0.1, 0.6)	(0.7, 0.2, 0.3)
z_4	(0.6, 0.2, 0.2)	(0.2, 0.2, 0.8)	(1, 1, 0)	(0.5, 0.3, 0.1)

Table 6. Neutrosophic relation R_3 .

Assume *C* is the customer's evaluation for each criterion in *V*, and is given by the following:

$$C(y_1) = (0.6, 0.5, 0.5), C(y_2) = (0.7, 0.3, 0.2), C(y_3) = (0.4, 0.5, 0.9), C(y_4) = (0.3, 0.2, 0.6)$$

From Definitions 10 and 11, we can compute the following:

$$\begin{split} \underline{M}^{o}(C)(z_{1}) &= (0.4, 0.5, 0.4), \\ \underline{M}^{o}(C)(z_{2}) &= (0.5, 0.4, 0.6), \\ \underline{M}^{o}(C)(z_{3}) &= (0.3, 0.3, 0.6), \\ \underline{M}^{o}(C)(z_{4}) &= (0.6, 0.4, 0.4) \end{split}$$

$$\overline{M}^{o}(C)(z_{1}) &= (0.4, 0.3, 0.5), \\ \overline{M}^{o}(C)(z_{2}) &= (0.4, 0.5, 0.7), \\ \overline{M}^{o}(C)(z_{3}) &= (0.6, 0.3, 0.4), \\ \overline{M}^{o}(C)(z_{4}) &= (0.5, 0.5, 0.5) \\ \underline{M}^{p}(C)(z_{1}) &= (0.3, 0.5, 0.6), \\ \underline{M}^{p}(C)(z_{2}) &= (0.3, 0.5, 0.8), \\ \underline{M}^{p}(C)(z_{3}) &= (0.3, 0.5, 0.9) \\ \overline{M}^{o}(C)(z_{1}) &= (0.6, 0.3, 0.2), \\ \overline{M}^{o}(C)(z_{2}) &= (0.7, 0.2, 0.5), \\ \overline{M}^{o}(C)(z_{3}) &= (0.7, 0.2, 0.2), \\ \overline{M}^{o}(C)(z_{4}) &= (0.7, 0.2, 0.4) \end{split}$$

According Definition 4, we have the following:

$$\left(\underline{M}^{o}(C) + \overline{M}^{o}(C)\right)(z_{1}) = (0.64, 0.15, 0.2), \left(\underline{M}^{o}(C) + \overline{M}^{o}(C)\right)(z_{2}) = (0.7, 0.2, 0.42), \left(\underline{M}^{o}(C) + \overline{M}^{o}(C)\right)(z_{3}) = (0.72, 0.09, 0.24), \left(\underline{M}^{o}(C) + \overline{M}^{o}(C)\right)(z_{4}) = (0.8, 0.2, 0.2) \left(\underline{M}^{p}(C) + \overline{M}^{p}(C)\right)(z_{1}) = (0.72, 0.15, 0.12), \left(\underline{M}^{p}(C) + \overline{M}^{p}(C)\right)(z_{2}) = (0.79, 0.1, 0.4),$$

$$\left(\underline{M}^{p}(C) + \overline{M}^{p}(C)\right)(z_{3}) = (0.79, 0.1, 0.18), \left(\underline{M}^{p}(C) + \overline{M}^{p}(C)\right)(z_{4}) = (0.79, 0.1, 0.36)$$

Then, according Definition 5, we have the following:

$$S^{o}(\alpha_{z_{1}},\alpha^{*}) = 0.9315, S^{o}(\alpha_{z_{2}},\alpha^{*}) = 0.8329, S^{o}(\alpha_{z_{3}},\alpha^{*}) = 0.8588, S^{o}(\alpha_{z_{4}},\alpha^{*}) = 0.9428.$$
(1)

$$S^{p}(\alpha_{z_{1}},\alpha^{*}) = 0.9662, S^{p}(\alpha_{z_{2}},\alpha^{*}) = 0.8865, S^{p}(\alpha_{z_{3}},\alpha^{*}) = 9677, S^{p}(\alpha_{z_{4}},\alpha^{*}) = 0.9040.$$
(2)

Then, we have the following:

$$S^{o}(\alpha_{z_{4}}, \alpha^{*}) > S^{o}(\alpha_{z_{1}}, \alpha^{*}) > S^{o}(\alpha_{z_{3}}, \alpha^{*}) > S^{o}(\alpha_{z_{2}}, \alpha^{*}).$$
(3)

$$S^{p}(\alpha_{z_{3}},\alpha^{*}) > S^{p}(\alpha_{z_{1}},\alpha^{*}) > S^{p}(\alpha_{z_{4}},\alpha^{*}) = S^{p}(\alpha_{z_{2}},\alpha^{*}).$$
(4)

So, the optimistic optimal choice is to choose x_4 , that is, this given house is "not good" for the customer; the pessimistic optimal choice is to choose x_3 , that is, this given house is "less good" for the customer.

6. Conclusions

In this paper, we propose the concept of MGNRS on a single domain and dual domains, and obtain their properties. I addition, we obtain that MGNRS on dual domains will be the same as the MGNRS on a single domain when the two domains are same. Then, we solve a kind of special group decision-making problem (based on neutrosophic relation) using MGNRS on dual domains, and we show the algorithm and give an example to show its feasibility.

In terms of the future direction, we will study other types of combinations of multi-granulation rough sets and neutrosophic sets and obtain their properties. At the same time, exploring the application of MGNRS in totally dependent-neutrosophic sets (see [32]) and related algebraic systems (see [33–35]), and a new aggregation operator, similarity measure, and distance measure (see [36–39]), are also meaningful research directions for the future.

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