# A Method for Solving Integer(each non zero) Linear Fractional Programming Problems with Triangular Fuzzy Variables 

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#### Abstract

A method for solving integer linear fractional programming problems with fuzzy constraint parameters by using classical integer linear fractional programming has been proposed in this paper. In the method, ranking functions are not used, the proposed method can serve managers by providing the best solution to a variety of integer linear fractional programming problems with fuzzy constraint parameters in a simple and effective manner. With the help of numerical examples, the method is illustrated. In the fractional programming it is an essential condition that the denominator should be positive so in the solution it is intentioned that no variable can take zero value.


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1. INTRODUCTION Linear fractional programming has applications in many fields of operations research. It is concerned with the optimization of a linear fractional function while satisfying a set of linear equality and or inequality constraints or restrictions. In real world situation the available information in the system under consideration are not exact, therefore fuzzy linear fractional programming (FLFP) was introduced and studied by many researchers. Fuzzy set theory has been applied to many disciplines such as control theory and management sciences, mathematical modeling and industrial applications. FLFP problems have an essential role in fuzzy modeling, which can formulate uncertainty in actual environment. Afterwards, many authors have considered various types of the FLP problems and proposed several approaches for solving these problems. Fuzzy mathematical programming (FMP) is derived through incorporation of fuzzy set theory within ordinary mathematical programming frameworks. The FMP methods contain two major categories: fuzzy flexible programming (FFP) and fuzzy possiblilistic programming (FPP) (Inuiguchi 1990).

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## 2. PRELIMINARIES

We need the following definitions of the basic arithmetic operators on fuzzy triangular numbers based on the function principle which can be found in [9] .

Definition 2.1. A fuzzy number $a$ is a triangular fuzzy number denoted by
$\left(a_{1}, a_{2}, a_{3}\right)$ where $a_{1}, a_{2}, a_{3}$ real numbers and its membership function are $\mu_{-}(x)$ is given below.

$$
\mu_{a}(x)=\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\frac{x-a_{1}}{a_{2}-a_{1}}, a_{1} \leq x \leq a_{2} \\
\frac{a_{3}-x}{a_{3}-a_{2}}, a_{2} \leq x \leq a_{3} \\
0, \text { otherwise }
\end{array}\right\} .
$$

## Definition 2.2.

Let $\left(a_{1}, a_{2}, a_{3}\right)$ and ( $b_{1}, b_{2}, b_{3}$ ) be two triangular fuzzy numbers. Then
(i) $\left(a_{1}, a_{2}, a_{3}\right) \oplus\left(b_{1}, b_{2}, b_{3}\right)=\left(a_{1}+b_{1}, a_{2}+b_{2}, a_{3}+b_{3}\right)$
(ii) $\left(a_{1}, a_{2}, a_{3}\right) \Theta\left(b_{1}, b_{2}, b_{3}\right)=\left(a_{1}-b_{1}, a_{2}-b_{2}, a_{3}-b_{3}\right)$
(iii) $k\left(a_{1}, a_{2}, a_{3}\right)=\left(\mathrm{k} a_{1}, k a_{2}, k a_{3}\right)$, for $\mathrm{k} \geq 0$
(iv) $k\left(a_{1}, a_{2}, a_{3}\right)=\left(k a_{3}, k a_{2}, k a_{1}\right)$, for $\mathrm{k}<0$

Let $\mathrm{F}(\mathrm{R})$ be the set of all real triangular fuzzy numbers then

## Definition 2.3.

.Let $\tilde{A}=\left(a_{1}, a_{2}, a_{3}\right)$, and $\tilde{B}=\left(b_{1}, b_{2}, b_{3}\right)$, be in $F(\mathrm{R})$.then
(i) $\tilde{A}=\tilde{B} \Leftrightarrow a_{i}=b_{i}$ for all $\mathrm{i}=1,2,3$ and
(ii) $\tilde{A} \leq \tilde{B} \Leftrightarrow a_{i} \leq b_{i}$ for all $\mathrm{i}=1,2,3$

## Definition 2.4.

Let $\tilde{A}=\left(a_{1}, a_{2}, a_{3}\right)$ be in $F(\mathrm{R})$.then
(i) $\tilde{A}$ is said to be positive if $a_{i} \geq 0$, for all $\mathrm{i}=1,2,3$
(ii) $\tilde{A}$ is said to be integer if $a_{i} \geq 0$, for all $\mathrm{i}=1,2,3$ are integers and
(iii) $\tilde{A}$ is said to be symmetric if $a_{2}-a_{1}=a_{3}-a_{2}$
3. FUZZY INTEGER LINEAR PROGRAMMING MATHEMATICAL Consider the following integer linear fractional programming problem with fuzzy variables : (

Maximize $\tilde{Z}=\frac{c x}{d \tilde{x}}$.
Subjected to $A x \leq b$ $\qquad$
$x>0$ and are integers.
Where the coefficient matrix $A=\left(a_{i j}\right)_{m \times n}$ is a nonnegative real matrix,
the cost vector $\mathrm{c}=\left(\mathrm{c}_{1}, \mathrm{c}_{2}, \ldots \ldots \ldots . . \mathrm{c}_{n}\right)$ and $d=\left(d_{1}, d_{2}, \ldots \ldots \ldots . . d_{n}\right)$
is nonnegative vector and $\tilde{x}=\left(\tilde{x_{j}}\right)_{n \times 1}$ and $\tilde{b}=(\tilde{b})_{m \times 1}$ are nonnegative real fuzzy vectors
such that $\tilde{x_{j}}, \tilde{b}_{i} \in F(R)$ for all $1 \leq \mathrm{j} \leq \mathrm{n}$
and $1 \leq i \leq m$.

Definition 3.1. A fuzzy vector $x$ is said to be a feasible solution of the problem (P)
if $x$ satisfies (2) and (3).

Definition 3.2. A feasible solution $x$ of the problem (P) is said to be an optimal solution of the problem $(\mathrm{P})$ if there exists no feasible $\tilde{u}=\left(\tilde{u_{j}}\right)_{n \times 1}$ of $(\mathrm{P})$ such that $\frac{c u}{d \tilde{u}}>\frac{c x}{d \tilde{x}}$.
Using the arithmetic operations of fuzzy numbers, we can obtain the following result.

Theorem 3.1.A fuzzy vector $\stackrel{\sim 0}{x}=\left(x_{1}^{0}, x_{2}^{0}, x_{3}^{0}\right)$ is an optimal solution of the problem (P) iff $x_{2}^{0}, x_{1}^{0}$ and $x_{3}^{0}$ are optimal solutions of following integer linear fractional programming $\left(\mathrm{P}_{2}\right),\left(\mathrm{P}_{1}\right)$ and $\left(\mathrm{P}_{3}\right)$ respectivly where
$\left(\mathrm{P}_{2}\right)$ Maximize $\mathrm{Z}_{2}=\frac{c x_{2}}{d x_{2}}$
subjected to $\mathrm{A} x_{2} \leq b_{2}, x_{2}>0$ are integers
$\left(\mathrm{P}_{1}\right)$ Maximize $\mathrm{Z}_{1}=\frac{c x_{1}}{d x_{1}}$
subjected to $\mathrm{A} x_{1} \leq b_{1}, x_{1}>0 x_{1} \leq \mathrm{x}_{2}^{0}$ are integers
$\left(\mathrm{P}_{3}\right)$ Maximize $\mathrm{Z}_{3}=\frac{c x_{3}}{d x_{3}}$
subjected to $\mathrm{A}_{3} \leq b_{3}, x_{3}>0, x_{3} \geq \mathrm{x}_{2}^{0}$ are integers
Proof. Suppose that $\sim_{x}^{x}=\left(x_{1}^{0}, x_{2}^{0}, x_{3}^{0}\right)$ is an optimal solution of (P).This implies that
$Z_{1} \leq Z_{1}^{0}, A x_{1} \leq b_{1}$, where $Z_{1}=\frac{c x_{1}}{d x_{1}}, Z_{1}^{0}=\frac{c x_{1}^{0}}{d x_{1}^{0}}$
$Z_{2} \leq Z_{2}^{0}, A x_{2} \leq b_{2}$, where $Z_{2}=\frac{c x_{2}}{d x_{2}}, Z_{2}^{0}=\frac{c x_{2}^{0}}{d x_{2}^{0}}$
$Z_{3} \leq Z_{3}^{0}, A x_{3} \leq b_{3}$ where $Z_{3}=\frac{c x_{3}}{d x_{3}}, Z_{3}^{0}=\frac{c x_{3}^{0}}{d x_{3}^{0}}$
From (4) we have,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\operatorname{Max} . \mathrm{Z}_{1}=\frac{c x_{1}^{0}}{d x_{1}^{0}}, \operatorname{Max} . \mathrm{Z}_{2}=\frac{c x_{2}^{0}}{d x_{2}^{0}}, \operatorname{Max} . \mathrm{Z}_{3}=\frac{c x_{3}^{0}}{d x_{3}^{0}} \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

Now from (4) and (5), We can conclude that $x_{2}^{0}, x_{1}^{0}$, and $x_{3}^{0}$ are optimal solutions of the integer linear fractional programming $\left(\mathrm{P}_{2}\right),\left(\mathrm{P}_{1}\right)$ and $\left(\mathrm{P}_{3}\right)$ respectivly.

This implies that $\stackrel{\sim 0}{x}=\left(x_{1}^{0}, x_{2}^{0}, x_{3}^{0}\right)$ is an optimal solution of the problem (P) with optimal value $\sim_{Z}^{Z}=\left(Z_{1}^{0}, Z_{2}^{0}, Z_{3}^{0}\right)$. Hence the Theorem.
4.NUMERICAL EXAMPLE. The proposed method is illustrated by the following example.

Example 1. Consider the following Fuzzy integer(Non zero ) linear fractional programming in which constraints parameters are fuzzy and the objective function is crisp.

$$
\begin{array}{r}
\text { Maximize } \tilde{Z}=\frac{4 \tilde{x}_{1}+3 \tilde{x}_{2}}{2 \tilde{x}_{1}+\tilde{x}_{2}} \\
3 \tilde{x}_{1}+\tilde{x}_{2} \leq(9,15,21) \\
\tilde{x}_{1}+3 \tilde{x}_{2} \leq(6,9,12) \\
\tilde{x}_{1}, \tilde{x}_{2}>0 \text { and integer }
\end{array}
$$

$$
\tilde{Z}=\left(Z_{1}, Z_{2}, Z_{3}\right), \tilde{x_{1}}=\left(y_{1}, x_{1}, t_{1}\right), \tilde{x_{2}}=\left(y_{2}, x_{2}, t_{2}\right)
$$

let now the problem $\left(\mathrm{P}_{2}\right)$ is given below

$$
\left(\mathrm{P}_{2}\right) \text { Maximize }
$$

Maximize $Z_{2}=\frac{4 x_{1}+3 x_{2}}{2 x_{1}+x_{2}}$

$$
\begin{gathered}
3 x_{1}+x_{2} \leq 15 \\
x_{1}+3 x_{2} \leq 9
\end{gathered}
$$

$x_{1}, x_{2}>0$ and integer
Now using Grid algorithm the solution of this fractional programming is $(1,2)$ i.e.
$x_{1}=1, x_{2}=2, \quad Z_{2}=2.5$
now the problem $\left(\mathrm{P}_{1}\right)$ is given below
( $\mathrm{P}_{1}$ ) Maximize
$\operatorname{Maximize} Z_{1}=\frac{4 y_{1}+3 y_{2}}{2 y_{1}+y_{2}}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 3 y_{1}+y_{2} \leq 9 \\
& y_{1}+3 y_{2} \leq 6
\end{aligned}
$$

$y_{1}, y_{2}>0$ and integer
Now using Grid algorithm the solution of this fractional programming is $(1,1)$ i.e.

$$
y_{1}=1, \quad y_{2}=1, \quad Z_{1}=7 / 3=2.333
$$

now the problem $\left(\mathrm{P}_{3}\right)$ is given below
$\left(\mathrm{P}_{3}\right)$ Maximize
Maximize $Z_{3}=\frac{4 t_{1}+3 t_{2}}{2 t_{1}+t_{2}}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 3 t_{1}+t_{2} \leq 21 \\
& t_{1}+3 t_{2} \leq 12
\end{aligned}
$$

$t_{1}, t_{2}>0$ and integer
Now using Grid algorithm the solution of this fractional programming is $(1,3)$ i.e.
$t_{1}=1, t_{2}=3, \quad Z_{3}=13 / 5=2.6$

Therefore the solution of given fuzzy integer (Non zero) linear fractional programming is $\tilde{x_{1}}=\left(y_{1}, x_{1}, t_{1}\right)=(1,1,1)$,
$\tilde{x}_{2}=\left(y_{2}, x_{2}, t_{2}\right)=(1,2,3)$ and $\tilde{Z}=(2.333,2.5,2.6)$
Example 2. Consider the following Fuzzy integer(Non zero ) linear fractional programming in which constraints parameters are fuzzy and the objective function is crisp.

$$
\operatorname{Maximize} \tilde{Z}=\frac{10 x_{1}+20 x_{2}}{5 \tilde{x_{1}+3 x_{2}}}
$$

$$
2 \tilde{x}_{1}+5 \tilde{x}_{2} \leq(15,20,30)
$$

$$
\tilde{x}_{1}+4 \tilde{x}_{2} \leq(20,24,30)
$$

$$
\tilde{x}_{1}, \tilde{x}_{2}>0 \text { and integer }
$$

$$
\tilde{Z}=\left(Z_{1}, Z_{2}, Z_{3}\right), \tilde{x_{1}}=\left(y_{1}, x_{1}, t_{1}\right), \tilde{x_{2}}=\left(y_{2}, x_{2}, t_{2}\right)
$$

Let now the problem $\left(\mathrm{P}_{2}\right)$ is given below

$$
\left(\mathrm{P}_{2}\right) \text { Maximize }
$$

$\operatorname{Maximize} Z_{2}=\frac{10 x_{1}+20 x_{2}}{5 x_{1}+3 x_{2}}$

$$
2 x_{1}+5 x_{2} \leq 20
$$

$$
3 x_{1}+4 x_{2} \leq 24
$$

$$
x_{1}, x_{2}>0 \text { and integer }
$$

Now using Grid algorithm the solution of this fractional programming is $(1,3)$ i.e.
$x_{1}=1, x_{2}=3, \quad Z_{2}=5$
now the problem $\left(\mathrm{P}_{1}\right)$ is given below
$\left(\mathrm{P}_{1}\right)$ Maximize
$\operatorname{Maximize} Z_{1}=\frac{10 y_{1}+20 y_{2}}{5 y_{1}+3 y_{2}}$

$$
2 y_{1}+5 y_{2} \leq 15
$$

$$
3 y_{1}+4 y_{2} \leq 20
$$

$y_{1}, y_{2}>0$ and integer
Now using Grid algorithm the solution of this fractional programming is $(1,2)$ i.e.
$y_{1}=1, \quad y_{2}=2, \quad Z_{1}=50 / 11=4.5454$
now the problem $\left(\mathrm{P}_{3}\right)$ is given below
( $\mathrm{P}_{3}$ ) Maximize
Now using Grid algorithm the solution of this fractional programming is $(1,5)$ i.e.
$t_{1}=1, t_{2}=5, \quad Z_{3}=110 / 20=5.5$
Therefore the solution of given fuzzy integer (Non zero) linear fractional programming is $\tilde{x}_{1}=\left(y_{1}, x_{1}, t_{1}\right)=(1,1,1)$,
$\tilde{x}_{2}=\left(y_{2}, x_{2}, t_{2}\right)=(2,3,5)$ and $\tilde{Z}=(4.5454,5,5.5)$

## 5. CONCLUSION

The method provides an optimal solution to FILFP(Fuzzy Integer Linear Fractional Programming) problems applying classical integer linear fractional programming. This method can serve managers by providing the best solution to a variety of integer linear fractional programming problems with fuzzy variables in a simple and effective manner.

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