

# RIFs as the Formal Tool of Measuring Similarity between Sets

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**Abstract.** In my paper, I will present some results towards the formalization of Rough Inclusion Functions (RIFs) and their complementary mappings using the Mizar system. Following the lines established by Anna Gomolińska, we reuse the notions which are already present in the Mizar Mathematical Library, in the theory of metric spaces, in order to establish the connections between the theory of such metrics and the theory of rough sets.

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## 1 Motivation

Rough sets discovered by Z. Pawlak [15] are a tool for knowledge discovery and modelling under imperfect information; this is especially the case nowadays, where we often face large databases of information gathered from various sources. Knowledge discovery by means of computerized tools seems to be important taking into account the amount of available information. Similar tools can be used in order to check or verify the correctness of mathematical theorems expressed in artificial (but still close to the natural) language understandable for computers.

Rough Inclusion Functions (RIFs for short) establish the connection between classical set theory and theory of rough sets. Their quantitative nature shows its feasibility in large databases; on the other hand such a view is also elegant from the mathematical point of view for the theory of rough sets, at the same time opening paths of further research – based on this single predicate one can build the whole theory, as it was done in the case of Leśniewski mereology.

As the proof assistant used to formalize the theory we have chosen the Mizar system, relatively well-known system based on classical logic, together with its repository of texts formally verified by computer – the Mizar Mathematical Library (MML). At *Concurrency Specification & Programming Workshop 2018* we presented the faithful translation of Gomolińska's paper [4] on rough inclusion

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functions. This time, extending the view presented in [4] and exploring the ideas from [3], we focus rather on the reuse of existing fields already present in the Mizar repository, namely complementary mappings, metric spaces, and similarity measures between subsets.

In our formal approach to rough approximations, our choice was to have indiscernibility relation  $\rho$  defined as a binary relation on a non-empty universe  $U$ . Essentially then, this corresponds to an abstract relational structure

$$\mathcal{R} = \langle U, \rho \rangle$$

with all properties credited to the internal relation of  $\mathcal{R}$ . At the very beginning, we do not assume any of standard properties of approximations (or tolerances) added to the type of  $\rho$ , although we introduce two basic Mizar types, called `Approximation_Space` and `Tolerance_Space`, to have them available in the Mizar Mathematical Library. More thorough discussion on this development is given in [10].

Our core testing scenario for the formalization process was that, starting with the mapping complementary to rough inclusion function  $\kappa_1$ , we can obtain an instance of the Marczewski-Steinhaus metric (or, more generally, we can automatically discover metric properties of defined operators). Namely, for subsets  $X, Y$  of the non-empty universe  $U$ , we can define the operator  $\delta_1$  as (see [3])

$$\delta_1(X, Y) = \bar{\kappa}_1(X, Y) + \bar{\kappa}_1(Y, X).$$

Essentially then, we have to build a path from approximation spaces on  $U$  to the theory of metric (or metrizable) spaces, where we can already find some well-known distance operators. In order to achieve this goal, a list of certain formalized notions should be available at hand.

## 2 Rough Inclusion Functions

In this section, we will briefly sketch the content of the Mizar formalization [11] collected in the file under MML identifier `ROUGHIF1`<sup>1</sup>. For a given universe  $U$ , rough inclusion functions (RIFs for short) are the mappings  $\kappa$  from  $\wp U \times \wp U$  into unit interval which satisfy two properties:

$$\text{rif}_1(\kappa) \Leftrightarrow \forall X, Y \subseteq U (\kappa(X, Y) = 1 \Leftrightarrow X \subseteq Y)$$

$$\text{rif}_2(\kappa) \Leftrightarrow \forall X, Y, Z \subseteq U (Y \subseteq Z \Rightarrow \kappa(X, Y) \leq \kappa(X, Z))$$

These two characteristic properties were introduced in Mizar as attributes `satisfying_RIF1` and `satisfying_RIF2`. For example, the first property is as follows:

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<sup>1</sup> The development is available at <http://mizar.uwb.edu.pl/library/roughif1/>

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definition let R be non empty RelStr;
  let f be preRIF of R;
  attr f is satisfying_RIF1 means
    for X,Y being Subset of R holds f.(X,Y) = 1 iff X c= Y;
end;

```

The classical example of a RIF is the standard RIF,  $\kappa$ , defined formally in two steps. Firstly, the Mizar functor `kappa` is defined for two subsets of an approximation space (frankly, it was defined more generally):

```

definition let R be finite Approximation_Space;
  let X,Y be Subset of R;
  func kappa (X,Y) -> Element of [.0,1.] equals
    card (X /\ Y) / card X if X <> {}
    otherwise 1;
  correctness;
end;

```

Then we can define appropriate mapping pointwise as

```

definition let R be finite Approximation_Space;
  func kappa R -> Function of
    [:bool the carrier of R, bool the carrier of R:], [.0,1.] means
    for x,y being Subset of R holds it.(x,y) = kappa (x,y);
end;

```

To assure the automatic understanding that such defined `kappa` has the needed properties of RIF, the *registration of a cluster* is formulated and proved.

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registration let R be finite Approximation_Space;
  cluster kappa R -> satisfying_RIF1 satisfying_RIF2;
  coherence;
end;

```

Practically, all the content of a paper [4] devoted to RIFs is formalized already.

### 3 Complementary Mappings

Having defined rough inclusion function, we can go on with the modification of this operator, using methods known from fuzzy set theory (as fuzzy implication operators or triangular norms or conorms in FUZIMPL1 or FUZNORM1).

With any mapping  $f : \wp U \times \wp U \rightarrow [0, 1]$  we can associate a complementary mapping  $\bar{f} : \wp U \times \wp U \rightarrow [0, 1]$  as

$$\bar{f}(X, Y) = 1 - f(X, Y).$$

Mizar version of the above is introduced as

```

definition let R be finite Approximation_Space;
  let f be preRoughInclusionFunction of R;
  func CMap f -> preRoughInclusionFunction of R means
    for x,y being Subset of R holds
      it.(x,y) = 1 - f.(x,y);
  correctness;
end;

```

Using this definition, we can, e.g. the following:

```

theorem PropEx3k:
  X <> {} implies (CMap kappa R).(X,Y) = card (X \ Y) / card X
proof
  assume
A1: X <> {};
  X \ Y = X \ (X /\ Y) by XBOOLE_1:47; then
T1: card (X \ Y) = card X - card (X /\ Y) by XBOOLE_1:17,CARD_2:44;
  (CMap kappa R).(X,Y) = 1 - (kappa R).(X,Y) by CDef
  . = 1 - kappa (X,Y) by ROUGHIF1:def 2
  . = 1 - card (X /\ Y) / card X by A1,ROUGHIF1:def 1
  . = (card X / card X) - card (X /\ Y) / card X by A1,XCMPLX_1:60
  . = card (X \ Y) / card X by T1,XCMPLX_1:120;
  hence thesis;
end;

```

In order to shorten the notations, and to enhance the formulation of corresponding properties, we introduced also the attribute `co-RIF-like`, stating that for every RIF  $f$ , the mapping complementary to  $f$  is again rough inclusion function. Obviously, every `CMap`  $f$  for arbitrary  $f$ , which is a RIF, has this property.

Independently, we can prove the following analogon of Proposition 6a):

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theorem Prop6a: :: Proposition 6 a)
  for kap being RIF of R holds
    (CMap kap).(X,Y) = 0 iff X c= Y;

```

In similar manner, we completed the whole Proposition 6 from [4].

## 4 Metric Spaces

Even if the repository of Mizar texts strongly depend on Tarski-Grothendieck set theory, which is roughly equivalent with Zermelo-Fraenkel with the Axiom of Choice, so-called structures are important element of the language, especially useful to define abstract algebraic structures.

Metric spaces are excellent example of such a construction: we start with arbitrary set  $U$  and a real function from the Cartesian square of  $U$ .

```

definition
  struct (1-sorted) MetrStruct
    (# carrier -> set,
     distance -> Function of [:the carrier,the carrier:],REAL #);
end;

```

Additional adjectives of the `distance` function correspond to standard properties defining distance operators. For example, `triangle` means the following:

```

definition
  let A be set;
  let f be PartFunc of [:A,A:], REAL;
  attr f is triangle means
  for a, b, c being Element of A holds f.(a,c) <= f.(a,b) + f.(b,c);
end;

```

Following these lines, the theory of metric spaces is build upon the Mizar type `MetrSpace`:

```

definition
  mode MetrSpace is Reflexive discerning symmetric triangle MetrStruct;
end;

```

That is, metric spaces are structures `MetrStruct` under the assumption that `distance` satisfies ordinary properties of the distance function.

## 5 Similarity Measures between Subsets

Additionally, some preparatory work was started to bridge the gap between the theory of (abstract) metric spaces, concrete metrics defined to measure the distance between the subsets. I focus on the Hausdorff distance which was defined by me in the Mizar article `HAUSDORF` available in the Mizar Mathematical Library as the following<sup>2</sup>:

```

definition
  let M be non empty MetrSpace, P, Q be Subset of TopSpaceMetr M;
  func HausDist (P, Q) -> Real equals
  :: HAUSDORF: def 1
  max ( max_dist_min (P, Q), max_dist_min (Q, P) );
  commutativity;
end;

```

Such quite complicated definition using an auxiliary functor `max_dist_min` introduced previously allows me to show the ordinary metric-like properties of the above, e.g. the triangle inequality (so, it states that `HausDist` is `triangle`):

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<sup>2</sup> All item from MML can be tracked via its MML identifier at <http://mizar.org/version/current/html/>

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theorem :: HAUSDORF:38
  for M being non empty MetrSpace,
    P, Q, R being non empty Subset of TopSpaceMetr M st
      P is compact & Q is compact & R is compact holds
        HausDist (P, R) <= HausDist (P, Q) + HausDist (Q, R);

```

In order to show some rough set-specific connections, we defined relatively well-known Jaccard distance, starting with the number showing the similarity between subsets of arbitrary finite 1-sorted structure:

```

definition let R be finite 1-sorted;
  let A, B be Subset of R;
  func JaccardIndex (A,B) -> Element of [.0,1.] equals :JacInd:
    card (A /\ B) / card (A \/ B) if A \/ B <> {}
    otherwise 1;
  correctness;
end;

```

Using this functor, and previously formalizing its basic properties, we can conclude with the definition of Jaccard function:

```

definition let R be finite 1-sorted;
  func JaccardDistance R -> Function of
    [:bool the carrier of R, bool the carrier of R:], REAL means :JacDef:
    for A, B being Subset of R holds
      it.(A,B) = 1 - JaccardIndex (A,B);
  correctness;
end;

```

Some other distance operators are present in the MML, e.g. in the article METRIC\_3. In the case of Jaccard distance, first three adjectives are rather simple to show (that it is Reflexive, discerning, and symmetric). To prove the remaining one, first we constructed  $\delta_1$  from Section 1, in a straightforward way:

```

definition let R;
  func delta_1 R -> preRIF of R means :Delta1:
    for x,y being Subset of R holds
      it.(x,y) = (CMap kappa_1 R).(x,y) + (CMap kappa_1 R).(y,x);
  correctness;
end;

```

Finally, we can show that such defined  $\delta_1$  and JaccardDistance coincide, and hence, as the earlier is a distance (and satisfies the triangle inequality), so is the latter.

```

theorem
  for A, B being Subset of R holds
    (JaccardDistance R).(A,B) = (delta_1 R).(A,B);

```

Although the formal proof in arbitrary setting is quite complex, our version, using the proven correspondence with rough sets, is immediate.

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registration let R be finite 1-sorted;
  cluster JaccardDistance R -> triangle;
  coherence;
end;
```

Having all these formal notions at hand, our future work will be to discover automatically possible connections between these topics, as suggested in [3].

All formal developments described above are submitted for inclusion into the Mizar Mathematical Library and are available under the following URL:

<http://mizar.org/library/roughif2/>

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