# Knowledge-Based Control Systems (SC4081) 

## Lecture 2: Fuzzy Sets and Systems

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## Outline

1. Fuzzy sets and set-theoretic operations.
2. Fuzzy relations.
3. Fuzzy systems
4. Linguistic model, approximate reasoning

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- A line in $\mathbb{R}^{2}: A=\{(x, y) \mid a x+b y+c=0,(x, y, a, b, c) \in \mathbb{R}\}$


## Representation of Sets

- Enumeration of elements: $A=\left\{x_{1}, x_{2}, \ldots, x_{n}\right\}$
- Definition by property: $A=\{x \in X \mid x$ has property $P\}$
- Characteristic function: $\mu_{A}(x): X \rightarrow\{0,1\}$

$$
\mu_{A}(x)= \begin{cases}1 & x \text { is member of } A \\ 0 & x \text { is not member of } A\end{cases}
$$

## Set of natural numbers smaller than 5



## Fuzzy sets

## Why Fuzzy Sets?

- Classical sets are good for well-defined concepts (maths, programs, etc.)
- Less suitable for representing commonsense knowledge in terms of vague concepts such as:
- a tall person, slippery road, nice weather, ...
- want to buy a big car with moderate consumption
- If the temperature is too low, increase heating a lot


## Classical Set Approach



## Logical Propositions

"John is tall" ... true or false

John's height: $h_{J o h n}=180.0 \quad \mu_{A}(180.0)=1$ (true)

$$
h_{J o h n}=179.5 \quad \mu_{A}(179.5)=0(\text { false })
$$



## Fuzzy Set Approach

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { 隹 } \\
& \mu_{A}(h)=\left\{\begin{array}{lll}
1 & h \text { is full member of } A & (h \geq 190) \\
(0,1) & h \text { is partial member of } A(170<h<190) \\
0 & h \text { is not member of } A & (h \leq 170)
\end{array}\right.
\end{aligned}
$$

## Fuzzy Logic Propositions

"John is tall" ... degree of truth
John's height: $h_{J o h n}=180.0 \quad \mu_{A}(180.0)=0.6$

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
h_{J o h n}=179.5 & \mu_{A}(179.5)=0.56 \\
h_{\text {Paul }}=201.0 & \mu_{A}(201.0)=1
\end{array}
$$



## Subjective and Context Dependent


tall in China
tall in Europe

## Shapes of Membership Functions



## Representation of Fuzzy Sets

- Pointwise as a list of membership/element pairs:

$$
A=\left\{\mu_{A}\left(x_{1}\right) / x_{1}, \ldots, \mu_{A}\left(x_{n}\right) / x_{n}\right\}=\left\{\mu_{A}\left(x_{i}\right) / x_{i} \mid x_{i} \in X\right\}
$$

- As a list of $\alpha$-level/ $\alpha$-cut pairs:

$$
A=\left\{\alpha_{1} / A_{\alpha_{1}}, \alpha_{2} / A_{\alpha_{2}}, \ldots, \alpha_{n}, A_{\alpha_{n}}\right\}=\left\{\alpha_{i} / A_{\alpha_{i}} \mid \alpha_{i} \in(0,1)\right\}
$$

## Representation of Fuzzy Sets

- Analytical formula for the membership function:

$$
\mu_{A}(x)=\frac{1}{1+x^{2}}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}
$$

or more generally

$$
\mu(x)=\frac{1}{1+d(x, v)} .
$$

$d(x, v) \ldots$ dissimilarity measure

Various shorthand notations: $\mu_{A}(x) \ldots A(x) \ldots a$

## Linguistic Variable



Basic requirements: coverage and semantic soundness

## Properties of fuzzy sets

## Support of a Fuzzy Set

$$
\operatorname{supp}(A)=\left\{x \mid \mu_{A}(x)>0\right\}
$$


support is an ordinary set

## Core (Kernel) of a Fuzzy Set

$$
\operatorname{core}(A)=\left\{x \mid \mu_{A}(x)=1\right\}
$$


core is an ordinary set

## $\alpha$-cut of a Fuzzy Set

$$
A_{\alpha}=\left\{x \mid \mu_{A}(x)>\alpha\right\} \quad \text { or } \quad A_{\alpha}=\left\{x \mid \mu_{A}(x) \geq \alpha\right\}
$$


$A_{\alpha}$ is an ordinary set

## Convex and Non-Convex Fuzzy Sets



A fuzzy set is convex $\Leftrightarrow$ all its $\alpha$-cuts are convex sets.

## Non-Convex Fuzzy Set: an Example



High-risk age for car insurance policy.

## Fuzzy Numbers and Singletons



Fuzzy linear regression: $y=\tilde{3} x_{1}+\tilde{5} x_{2}$

# Fuzzy set-theoretic operations 

## Complement (Negation) of a Fuzzy Set



$$
\mu_{\bar{A}}(x)=1-\mu_{A}(x)
$$

## Intersection (Conjunction) of Fuzzy Sets



$$
\mu_{A \cap B}(x)=\min \left(\mu_{A}(x), \mu_{B}(x)\right)
$$

## Other Intersection Operators (T-norms)

Probabilistic "and" (product operator):

$$
\mu_{A \cap B}(x)=\mu_{A}(x) \cdot \mu_{B}(x)
$$

Lukasiewicz "and" (bounded difference):

$$
\mu_{A \cap B}(x)=\max \left(0, \mu_{A}(x)+\mu_{B}(x)-1\right)
$$

Many other t-norms $\ldots[0,1] \times[0,1] \rightarrow[0,1]$

## Union (Disjunction) of Fuzzy Sets



## Other Union Operators (T-conorms)

Probabilistic "or":

$$
\mu_{A \cup B}(x)=\mu_{A}(x)+\mu_{B}(x)-\mu_{A}(x) \cdot \mu_{B}(x)
$$

Łukasiewicz "or" (bounded sum):

$$
\mu_{A \cup B}(x)=\min \left(1, \mu_{A}(x)+\mu_{B}(x)\right)
$$

Many other t-conorms $\ldots[0,1] \times[0,1] \rightarrow[0,1]$

## Demo of a Matlab tool

## Linguistic Modifiers (Hedges)

Modify the meaning of a fuzzy set.

For instance, very can change the meaning of the fuzzy set tall to very tall.

Other common hedges: slightly, more or less, rather, etc.

Usual approach: powered hedges:

$$
\mu_{M_{p}(A)}=\mu_{A}^{P}
$$

## Linguistic Modifiers: Example



## Linguistic Modifiers



Fuzzy Set in Multidimensional Domains


## Cylindrical Extension



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$$
\operatorname{ext}_{x_{2}}(A)=\left\{\mu_{A}\left(x_{1}\right) /\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right) \mid\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right) \in X_{1} \times X_{2}\right\}
$$

## Projection



## Projection onto $\mathrm{X}_{1}$



$$
\left.\operatorname{proj}_{x_{1}}(A)=\left\{\sup _{x_{2} \in X_{2}} \mu_{A}\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right)\right) / x_{1} \mid x_{1} \in X_{1}\right\}
$$

## Projection onto $\mathrm{X}_{2}$



$$
\left.\operatorname{proj}_{x_{2}}(A)=\left\{\sup _{x_{1} \in X_{1}} \mu_{A}\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right) / x_{2}\right) \mid x_{2} \in X_{2}\right\}
$$

## Intersection on Cartesian Product Space

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## Fuzzy Relations

Classical relation represents the presence or absence of interaction between the elements of two or more sets.

With fuzzy relations, the degree of association (correlation) is represented by membership grades.

An n-dimensional fuzzy relation is a mapping

$$
R: X_{1} \times X_{2} \times X_{3} \ldots \times X_{n} \rightarrow[0,1]
$$

which assigns membership grades to all n-tuples $\left(x_{1}, x_{2}, \ldots, x_{n}\right)$ from the Cartesian product universe.

## Fuzzy Relations: Example

Example: $R: x \approx y$ (" $x$ is approximately equal to $y ")$

$$
\mu_{R}(x, y)=e^{-(x-y)^{2}}
$$



## Relational Composition

Given fuzzy relation $R$ defined in $X \times Y$ and fuzzy set $A$ defined in $X$, derive the corresponding fuzzy set $B$ defined in $Y$ :

$$
B=A \circ R=\operatorname{proj}_{Y}\left(\operatorname{ext}_{X \times Y}(A) \cap R\right)
$$

max-min composition:

$$
\mu_{B}(y)=\max _{x} \min \left(\mu_{A}(x), \mu_{R}(x, y)\right)
$$

Analogous to evaluating a function.

## Graphical Interpretation: Crisp Function




## Graphical Interpretation: Interval Function




## Graphical Interpretation: Fuzzy Relation



## Max-Min Composition: Example

$$
\mu_{B}(y)=\max _{x} \min \left(\mu_{A}(x), \mu_{R}(x, y)\right), \quad \forall y
$$



## Fuzzy Systems

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- Systems with fuzzy parameters

$$
y=\tilde{3} x_{1}+\tilde{5} x_{2}
$$

- Fuzzy inputs and states

$$
\dot{x}(t)=A x(t)+B u(t), \quad x(0)=\tilde{2}
$$

- Rule-based systems

If the heating power is high
then the temperature will increase fast

## Rule-based Fuzzy Systems

- Linguistic (Mamdani) fuzzy model

$$
\text { If } x \text { is } A \text { then } y \text { is } B
$$

- Fuzzy relational model

$$
\text { If } x \text { is } A \text { then } y \text { is } B_{1}(0.1), B_{2}(0.8)
$$

- Takagi-Sugeno fuzzy model

$$
\text { If } x \text { is } A \text { then } y=f(x)
$$

## Linguistic Model

## If $x$ is $A$ then $y$ is $B$

$x$ is $A$ - antecedent (fuzzy proposition)
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Compound propositions (logical connectives, hedges):

If $x_{1}$ is very big and $x_{2}$ is not small

## Multidimensional Antecedent Sets

$$
A_{1} \cap A_{2} \text { on } X_{1} \times X_{2} \text { : }
$$



## Partitioning of the Antecedent Space

conjunctive

other connectives


## Inference Mechanism

Given the if-then rules and an input fuzzy set, deduce the corresponding output fuzzy set.

- Formal approach based on fuzzy relations.
- Simplified approach (Mamdani inference).
- Interpolation (additive fuzzy systems).


## Formal Approach

1. Represent each if-then rule as a fuzzy relation.
2. Aggregate these relations in one relation representative for the entire rule base.
3. Given an input, use relational composition to derive the corresponding output.

## Modus Ponens Inference Rule

## Classical logic

if $x$ is $A$ then $y$ is $B$
$x$ is $A$
$y$ is $B$

Fuzzy logic
if $x$ is $A$ then $y$ is $B$
$x$ is $A^{\prime}$
$y$ is $B^{\prime}$

## Relational Representation of Rules

If-then rules can be represented as a relation, using implications or conjunctions.

Classical implication

| $A$ | $B$ | $A \rightarrow B(\neg A \vee B)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 |


| $A \backslash B$ | 0 | 1 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 |

$R:\{0,1\} \times\{0,1\} \rightarrow\{0,1\}$

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Conjunction

| $A$ | $B$ | $A \wedge B$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 |


| $A \backslash B$ | 0 | 1 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 0 | 0 |
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$$
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## Fuzzy Implications and Conjunctions

Fuzzy implication is represented by a fuzzy relation:

$$
\begin{gathered}
R:[0,1] \times[0,1] \rightarrow[0,1] \\
\mu_{R}(x, y)=\mathrm{I}\left(\mu_{A}(x), \mu_{B}(y)\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

$\mathrm{I}(a, b)$ - implication function
"classical" Kleene-Diene $\mathrm{I}(a, b)=\max (1-a, b)$
Lukasiewicz $\quad \mathrm{I}(a, b)=\min (1,1-a+b)$
T-norms Mamdani $\mathrm{I}(a, b)=\min (a, b)$
Larsen

$$
\mathrm{I}(a, b)=a \cdot b
$$

## Inference With One Rule

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$$
B^{\prime}=A^{\prime} \circ R
$$

## Graphical Illustration

$$
\mu_{R}(x, y)=\min \left(\mu_{A}(x), \mu_{B}(y)\right) \quad \mu_{B^{\prime}}(y)=\max _{x} \min \left(\mu_{A^{\prime}}(x), \mu_{R}(x, y)\right)
$$



## Inference With Several Rules

1. Construct implication relation for each rule $i$ :

$$
\mu_{R_{i}}(x, y)=\mathrm{I}\left(\mu_{A_{i}}(x), \mu_{B_{i}}(y)\right)
$$

2. Aggregate relations $R_{i}$ into one:

$$
\mu_{R}(x, y)=\operatorname{aggr}\left(\mu_{A_{i}}(x)\right)
$$

The aggr operator is the minimum for implications and the maximum for conjunctions.
3. Use relational composition to derive $B^{\prime}$ from $A^{\prime}$ :

$$
B^{\prime}=A^{\prime} \circ R
$$

## Example: Conjunction

1. Each rule

$$
\text { If } \tilde{x} \text { is } A_{i} \text { then } \tilde{y} \text { is } B_{i}
$$

is represented as a fuzzy relation on $X \times Y$ :

$$
R_{i}=A_{i} \times B_{i} \quad \mu_{R_{i}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})=\mu_{A_{i}}(\mathbf{x}) \wedge \mu_{B_{i}}(\mathbf{y})
$$

## Aggregation and Composition

2. The entire rule base's relation is the union:

$$
R=\bigcup_{i=1}^{K} R_{i} \quad \mu_{R}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})=\max _{1 \leq i \leq K}\left[\mu_{R_{i}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})\right]
$$

3. Given an input value $A^{\prime}$ the output value $B^{\prime}$ is:

$$
B^{\prime}=A^{\prime} \circ R \quad \mu_{B^{\prime}}(\mathbf{y})=\max _{X}\left[\mu_{A^{\prime}}(\mathbf{x}) \wedge \mu_{R}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})\right]
$$

## Example: Modeling of Liquid Level



- If $F_{\text {in }}$ is Zero then $h$ is Zero
- If $F_{\text {in }}$ is Med then $h$ is Med
- If $F_{\text {in }}$ is Large then $h$ is Med




## $\mathcal{R}_{1}$ If Flow is Zero then Level is Zero



## $\mathcal{R}_{2}$ If Flow is Medium then Level is Medium



## $\mathcal{R}_{3}$ If Flow is Large then Level is Medium



## Aggregated Relation



## Simplified Approach

1. Compute the match between the input and the antecedent membership functions (degree of fulfillment).
2. Clip the corresponding output fuzzy set for each rule by using the degree of fulfillment.
3. Aggregate output fuzzy sets of all the rules into one fuzzy set.

This is called the Mamdani or max-min inference method.

## Water Tank Example



- If $F_{\text {in }}$ is Zero then $h$ is Zero
- If $F_{\text {in }}$ is Med then $h$ is Med
- If $F_{\text {in }}$ is Large then $h$ is Med




## Mamdani Inference: Example




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Given a crisp (numerical) input $\left(F_{\text {in }}\right)$.

## If $F_{\text {in }}$ is Zero then ...



Determine the degree of fulfillment (truth) of the first rule.

## If $F_{\text {in }}$ is Zero then $h$ is Zero



Clip consequent membership function of the first rule.

## If $F_{\text {in }}$ is Medium then ...



Determine the degree of fulfillment (truth) of the second rule.

## If $F_{\text {in }}$ is Medium then $h$ is Medium



Clip consequent membership function of the second rule.

## Aggregation



Combine the result of the two rules (union).

## Defuzzification

conversion of a fuzzy set to a crisp value

${ }^{(a)}$ center of gravity

(b) mean of maxima

## Center-of-Gravity Method

$$
y_{0}=\frac{\sum_{j=1}^{F} \mu_{B^{\prime}}\left(y_{j}\right) y_{j}}{\sum_{j=1}^{F} \mu_{B^{\prime}}\left(y_{j}\right)}
$$

## Defuzzification



Compute a crisp (numerical) output of the model (center-of-gravity method).

## Fuzzy System Components



