

## Knowledge-Based Control Systems (SC4081)

### Lecture 2: Fuzzy Sets and Systems

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1. Fuzzy sets and set-theoretic operations.

2. Fuzzy relations.

3. Fuzzy systems

4. Linguistic model, approximate reasoning

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## Representation of Sets

- Enumeration of elements:  $A = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$
- Definition by property:  $A = \{x \in X \mid x \text{ has property } P\}$
- Characteristic function:  $\mu_A(x) : X \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$

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

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

## Set of natural numbers smaller than 5



## 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**

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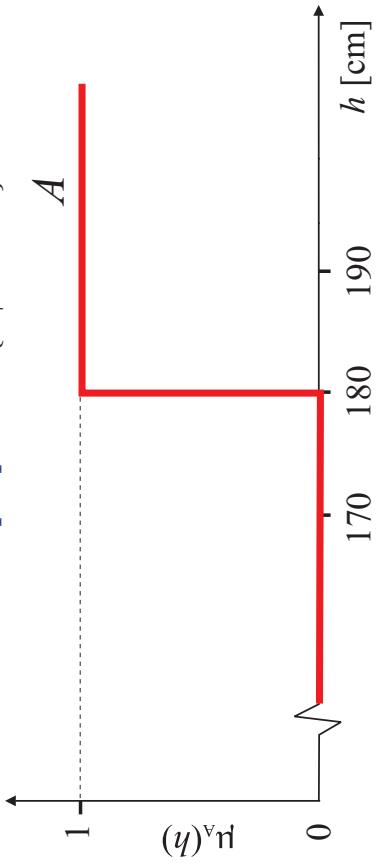
## Fuzzy sets

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## Classical Set Approach

set of tall people  $A = \{h \mid h \geq 180\}$



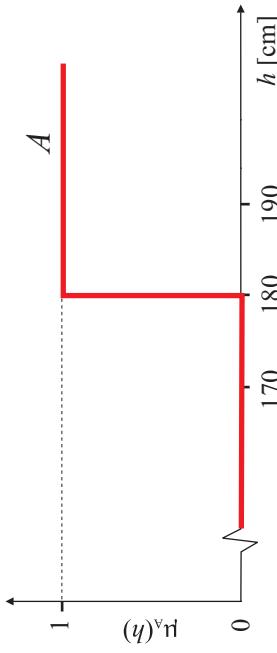
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## Logical Propositions

“John is tall” ... true or false

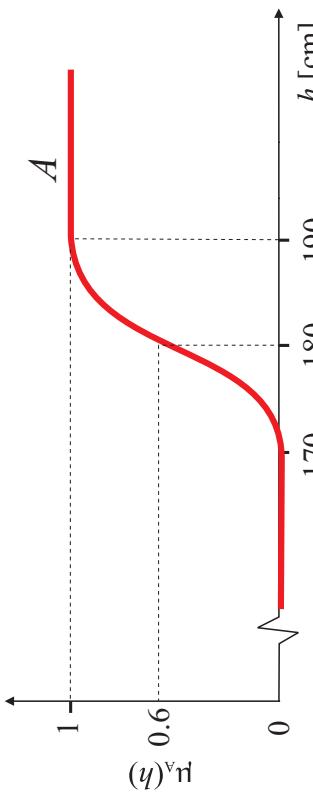
$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{John's height: } h_{John} = 180.0 & \mu_A(180.0) = 1 \text{ (true)} \\ h_{John} = 179.5 & \mu_A(179.5) = 0 \text{ (false)} \end{array}$$



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## Fuzzy Set Approach

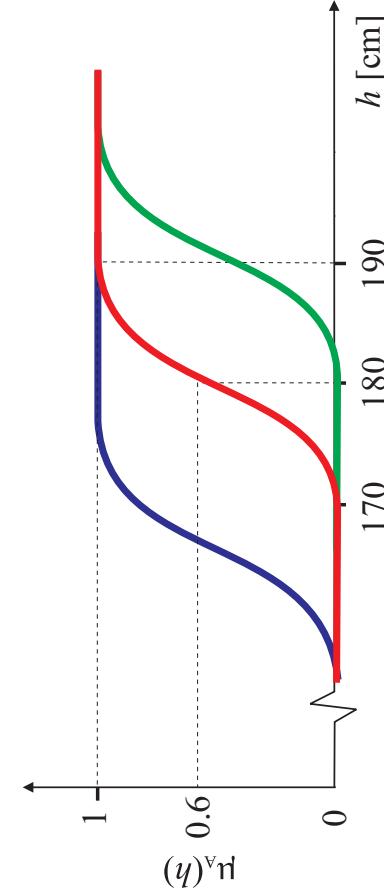


$$\mu_A(h) = \begin{cases} 1 & h \geq 190 \\ (0, 1) & 170 < h < 190 \\ 0 & h \leq 170 \end{cases}$$

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## Subjective and Context Dependent

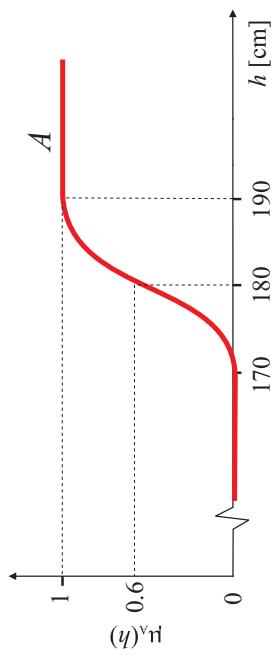


tall in China      tall in Europe      tall in NBA

## Fuzzy Logic Propositions

"John is tall" ... degree of truth

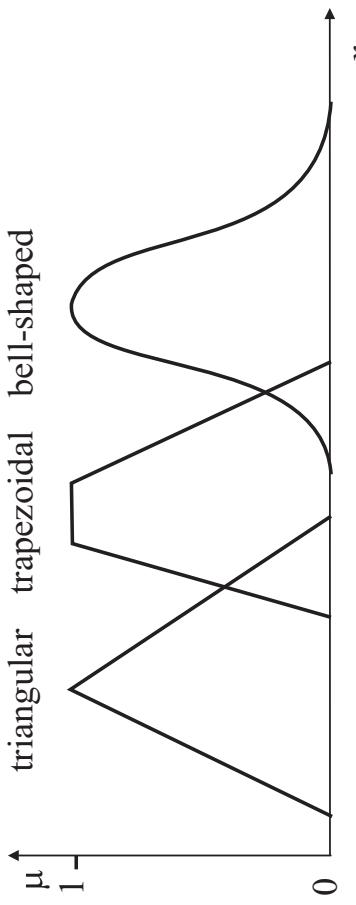
$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{John's height: } h_{John} = 180.0 & \mu_A(180.0) = 0.6 \\ h_{John} = 179.5 & \mu_A(179.5) = 0.56 \\ h_{Paul} = 201.0 & \mu_A(201.0) = 1 \end{array}$$



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## Shapes of Membership Functions



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## Representation of Fuzzy Sets

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- Pointwise as a list of membership/element pairs:

$$A = \{\mu_A(x_1)/x_1, \dots, \mu_A(x_n)/x_n\} = \{\mu_A(x_i)/x_i \mid x_i \in X\}$$

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

$$A = \{\alpha_1/A_{\alpha_1}, \alpha_2/A_{\alpha_2}, \dots, \alpha_n/A_{\alpha_n}\} = \{\alpha_i/A_{\alpha_i} \mid \alpha_i \in (0, 1)\}$$

- Analytical formula for the membership function:

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

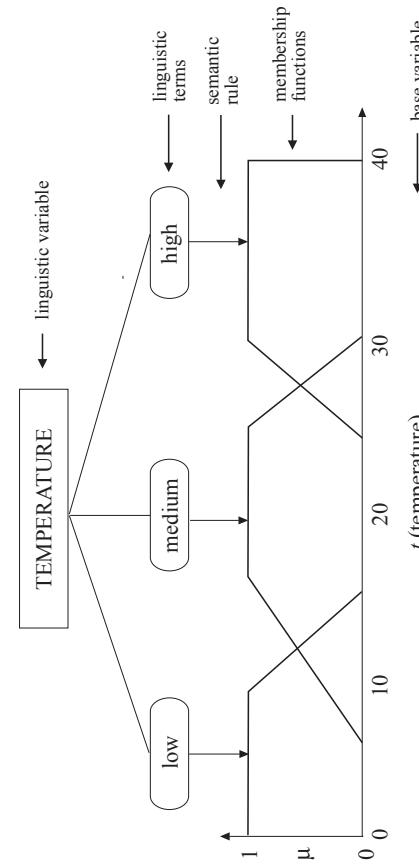
or more generally

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

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

Various shorthand notations:  $\mu_A(x) \dots A(x) \dots a$

## Linguistic Variable

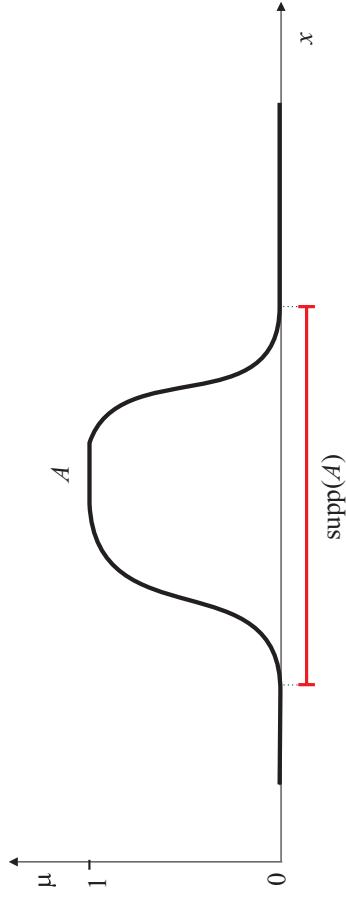


Basic requirements: coverage and semantic soundness

## Properties of fuzzy sets

## Support of a Fuzzy Set

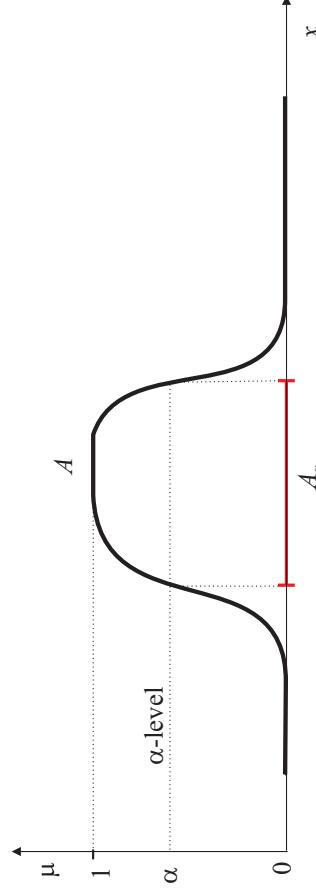
$$\text{supp}(A) = \{x \mid \mu_A(x) > 0\}$$



support is an *ordinary* set

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

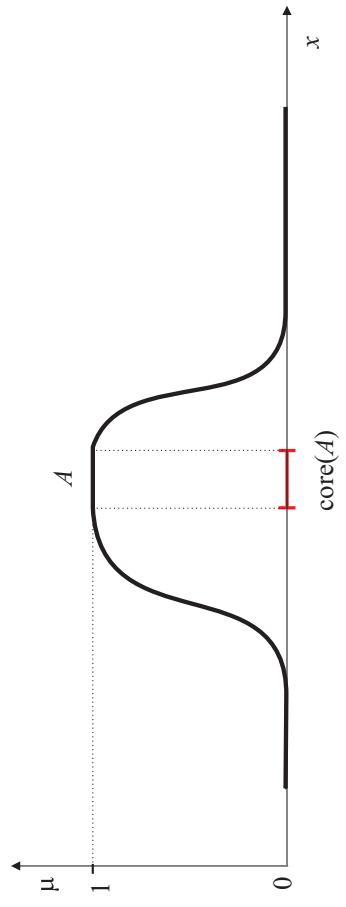
$$A_\alpha = \{x \mid \mu_A(x) > \alpha\} \quad \text{or} \quad A_\alpha = \{x \mid \mu_A(x) \geq \alpha\}$$



$A_\alpha$  is an *ordinary* set

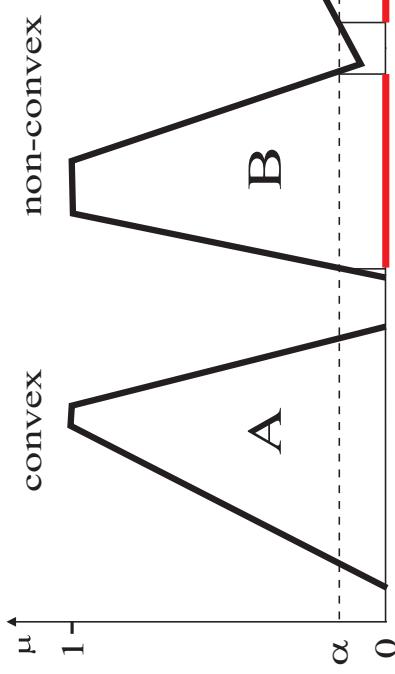
## Core (Kernel) of a Fuzzy Set

$$\text{core}(A) = \{x \mid \mu_A(x) = 1\}$$



core 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

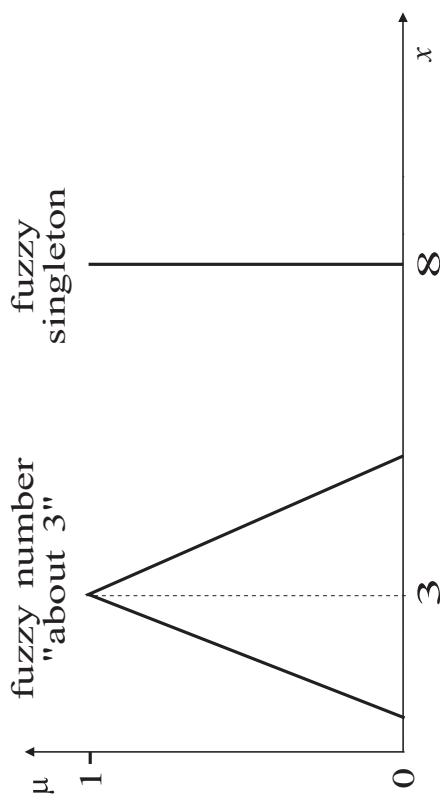


High-risk age for car insurance policy.

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## Fuzzy Numbers and Singletons

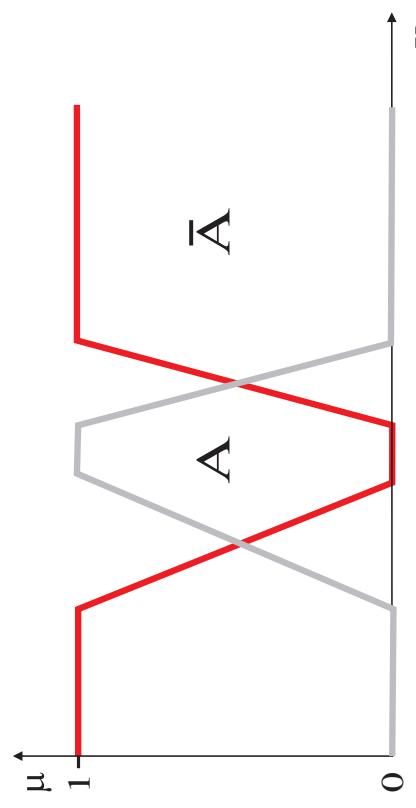


Fuzzy linear regression:  $y = \tilde{3}x_1 + \tilde{5}x_2$

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## Complement (Negation) of a Fuzzy Set



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

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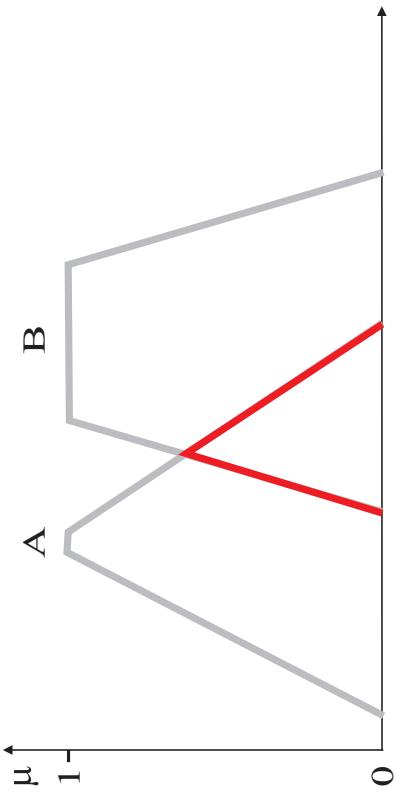
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## Fuzzy set-theoretic operations

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## Intersection (Conjunction) of Fuzzy Sets



$$\mu_{A \cap B}(x) = \min(\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x))$$

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## 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):

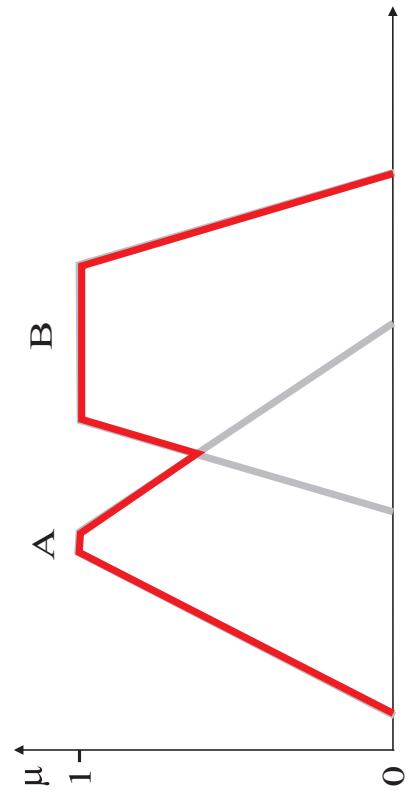
$$\mu_{A \cap B}(x) = \max(0, \mu_A(x) + \mu_B(x) - 1)$$

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

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## Union (Disjunction) of Fuzzy Sets



$$\mu_{A \cup B}(x) = \max(\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x))$$

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## Other Union Operators (T-conorms)

Probabilistic “or”:

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

Lukasiewicz “or” (bounded sum):

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

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

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## Linguistic Modifiers (Hedges)

Modify the meaning of a fuzzy set.

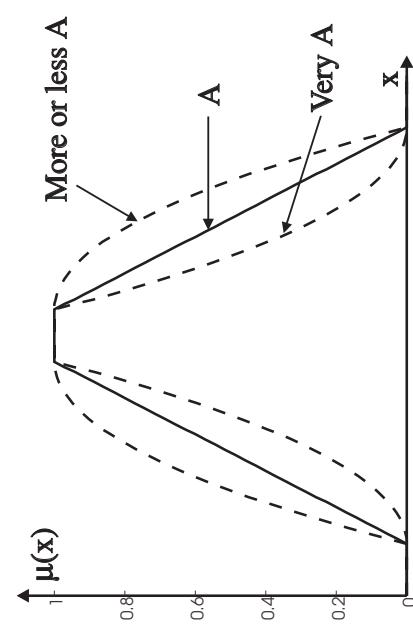
For instance, *very* can change the meaning of the fuzzy set *tall* to *very tall*.

### Demo of a Matlab tool

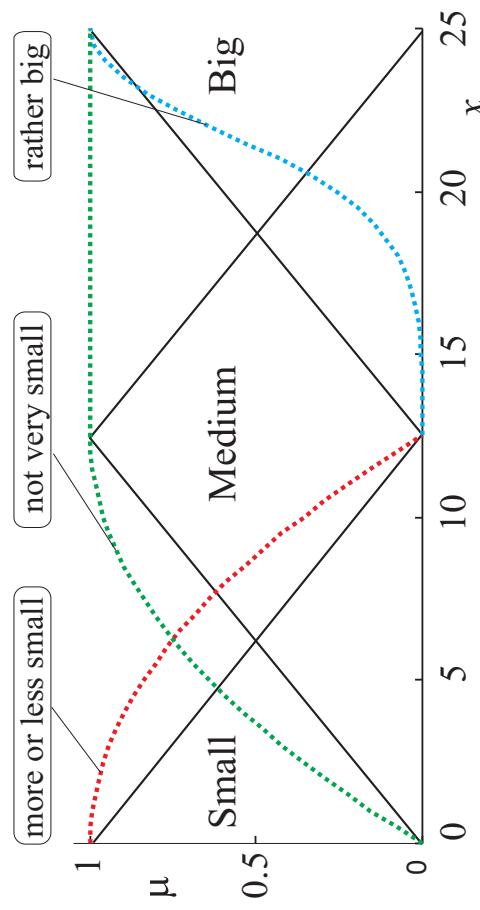
Usual approach: *powered hedges*:

$$\mu_{M_p(A)} = \mu_A^P$$

### Linguistic Modifiers: Example

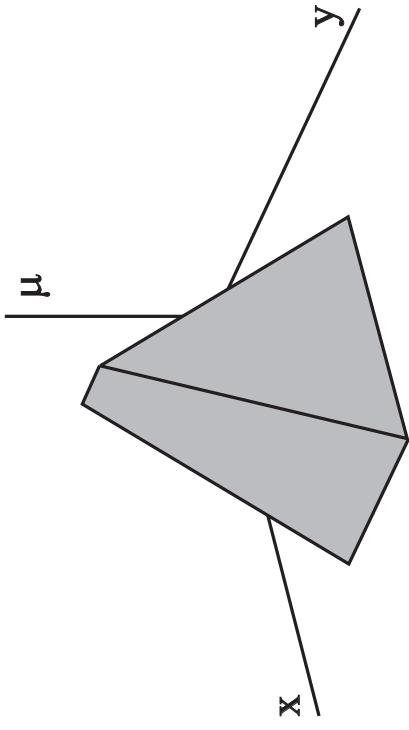


### Linguistic Modifiers



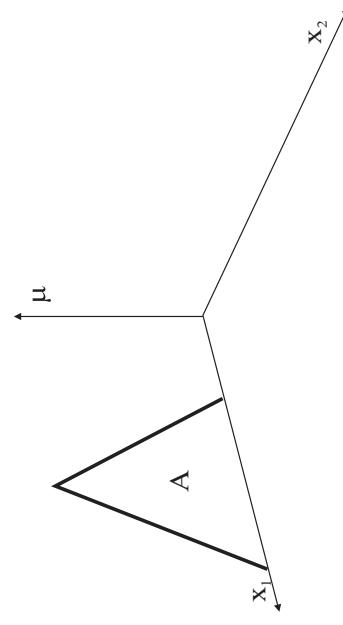
$$\mu_{\text{very}(A)} = \mu_A^2 \quad \mu_{\text{More or less}(A)} = \sqrt{\mu_A}$$

## Fuzzy Set in Multidimensional Domains

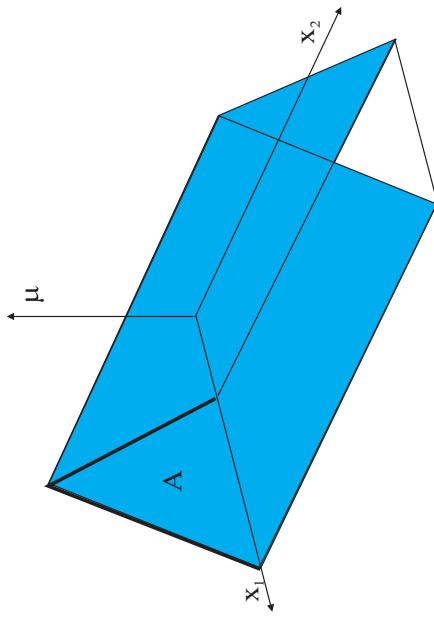


$$A = \{\mu_A(x, y) / (x, y) \mid (x, y) \in X \times Y\}$$

## Cylindrical Extension



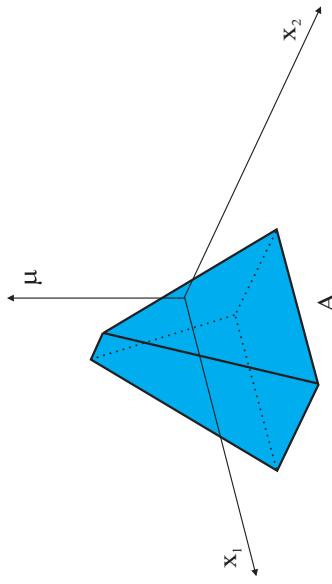
## Cylindrical Extension



$$\text{ext}_{x_2}(A) = \{\mu_A(x_1) / (x_1, x_2) \mid (x_1, x_2) \in X_1 \times X_2\}$$

## Projection

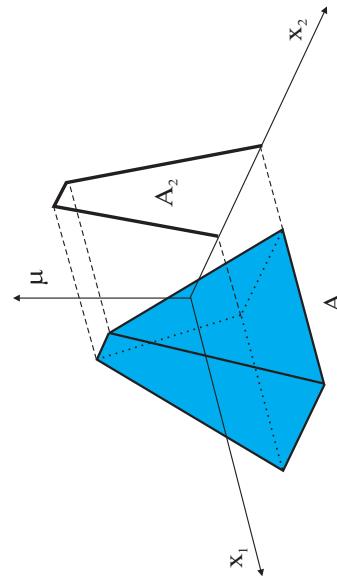
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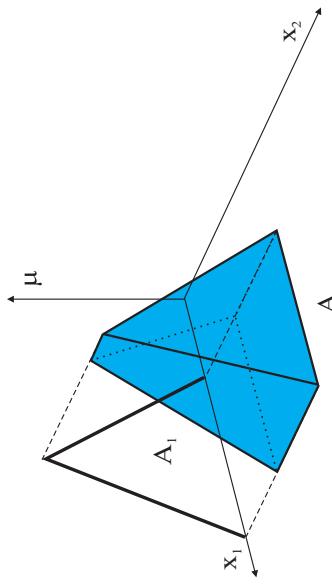
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### Projection onto $X_2$



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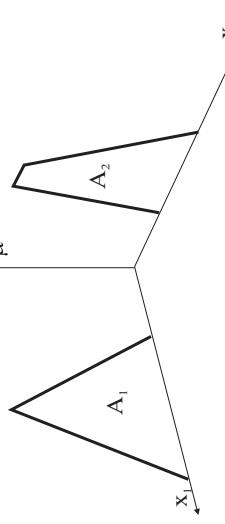
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### Intersection on Cartesian Product Space

An operation between fuzzy sets are defined in different domains results in a multi-dimensional fuzzy set.

Example:  $A_1 \cap A_2$  on  $X_1 \times X_2$ :



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$$\text{proj}_{x_1}(A) = \{ \sup_{x_2 \in X_2} \mu_A(x_1, x_2) / x_1 \mid x_1 \in X_1 \}$$

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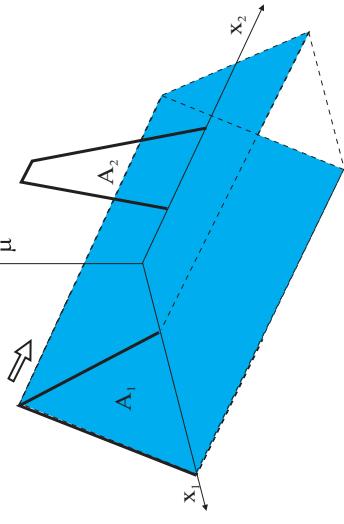
$$\text{proj}_{x_2}(A) = \{ \sup_{x_1 \in X_1} \mu_A(x_1, x_2) / x_2 \mid x_2 \in X_2 \}$$

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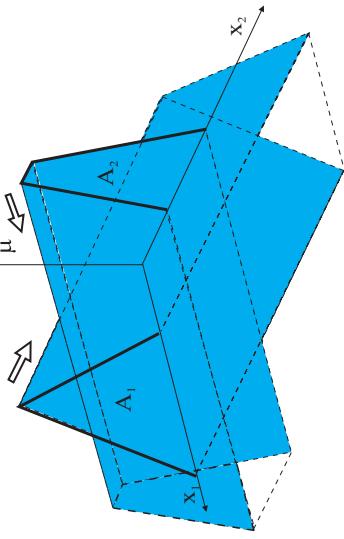
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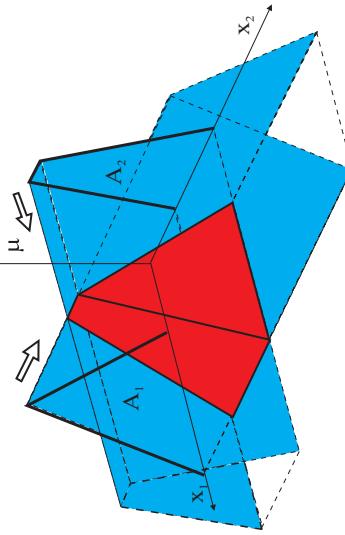
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## Fuzzy Relations

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

$$R : X_1 \times X_2 \times X_3 \dots \times X_n \rightarrow [0, 1]$$

which assigns membership grades to all n-tuples  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  from the Cartesian product universe.

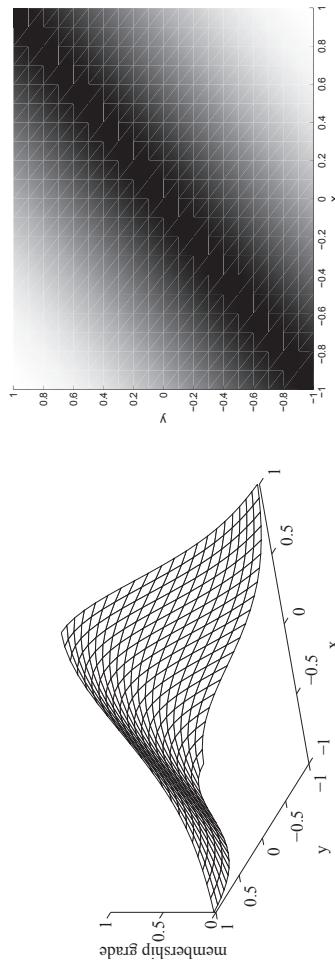
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## Fuzzy Relations: Example

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

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



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## 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  $Y$ :

$$B = A \circ R = \text{proj}_Y(\text{ext}_{X \times Y}(A) \cap R)$$

max-min composition:

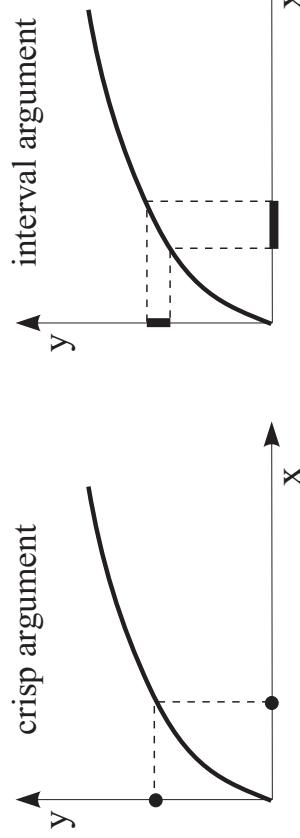
$$\mu_B(y) = \max_x \min(\mu_A(x), \mu_R(x, y))$$

Analogous to evaluating a function.

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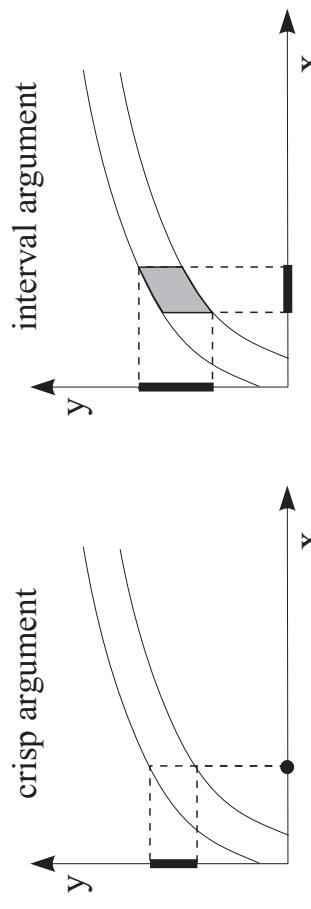
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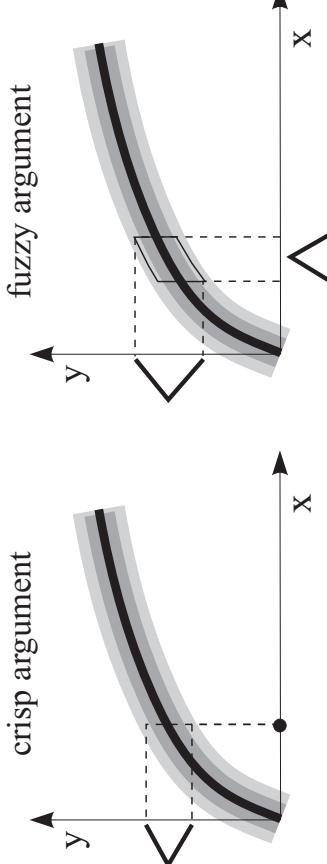
## Graphical Interpretation: Interval Function



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## Graphical Interpretation: Fuzzy Relation



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## Max-Min Composition: Example

$$\mu_B(y) = \max_x \min(\mu_A(x), \mu_R(x, y)), \quad \forall y$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1.0 & 0.4 & 0.1 & 0.0 & 0.0 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 0.0 & 0.4 & 0.8 \\ 0.0 & 0.1 & 1.0 & 0.2 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 1.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 0.9 & 0.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 & 0.8 & 0.3 & 0.0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 0.1 & 0.4 & 0.4 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix}$$

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## Fuzzy Systems

- Systems with fuzzy parameters

$$y = \tilde{3}x_1 + \tilde{5}x_2$$

- Fuzzy inputs and states

$$\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Bu(t), \quad x(0) = \tilde{x}$$

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

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## Rule-based Fuzzy Systems

- Linguistic (Mamdani) fuzzy model

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

- Fuzzy relational model

If  $x$  is  $A$  then  $y$  is  $B_1(0.1), B_2(0.8)$

- Takagi–Sugeno fuzzy model

If  $x$  is  $A$  then  $y = f(x)$

## Linguistic Model

- If  $x$  is  $A$  then  $y$  is  $B$ 
  - $x$  is  $A$  – antecedent (fuzzy proposition)
  - $y$  is  $B$  – consequent (fuzzy proposition)

## Linguistic Model

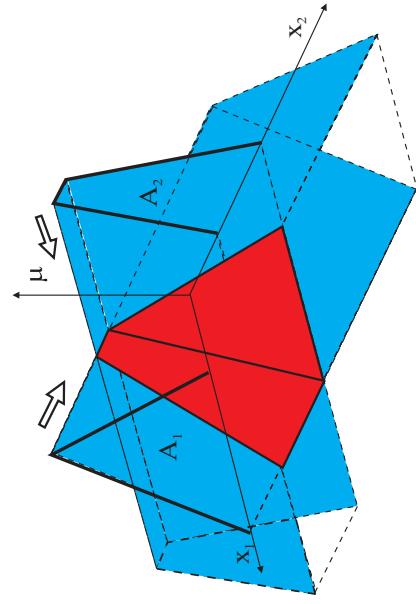
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Compound propositions (logical connectives, hedges):

If  $x_1$  is very big and  $x_2$  is not small

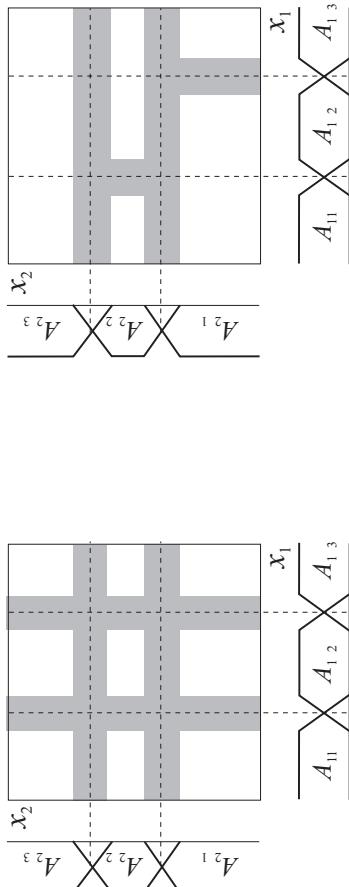


## Multidimensional Antecedent Sets

- $A_1 \cap A_2$  on  $X_1 \times X_2$ :

## 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

Fuzzy logic

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{if } x \text{ is } A \text{ then } y \text{ is } B \\ x \text{ is } A \\ \hline y \text{ is } B \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{if } x \text{ is } A \text{ then } y \text{ is } B \\ x \text{ is } A' \\ \hline y \text{ is } B' \end{array}$$

## Relational Representation of Rules

### 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

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

Conjunction

$A \setminus B$	0	1
0	0	0
1	0	1

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

## Fuzzy Implications and Conjunctions

Fuzzy implication is represented by a fuzzy relation:

$$R: [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$$

$$\mu_R(x, y) = I(\mu_A(x), \mu_B(y))$$

$I(a, b)$  – implication function

“classical” Kleene–Dienes  $I(a, b) = \max(1 - a, b)$

Lukasiewicz  $I(a, b) = \min(1, 1 - a + b)$

T-norms Mamdani  $I(a, b) = \min(a, b)$

Larsen  $I(a, b) = a \cdot b$

## Inference With One Rule

1. Construct implication relation:

$$\mu_R(x, y) = I(\mu_A(x), \mu_B(y))$$

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1. Construct implication relation:

$$\mu_R(x, y) = I(\mu_A(x), \mu_B(y))$$

2. Use relational composition to derive  $B'$  from  $A'$ :

$$B' = A' \circ R$$

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## Inference With Several Rules

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

$$\mu_{R_i}(x, y) = I(\mu_{A_i}(x), \mu_{B_i}(y))$$

2. Aggregate relations  $R_i$  into one:

$$\mu_R(x, y) = \text{aggr}(\mu_{A_i}(x))$$

The **aggr** operator is the minimum for implications and the maximum for conjunctions.

3. Use relational composition to derive  $B'$  from  $A'$ :

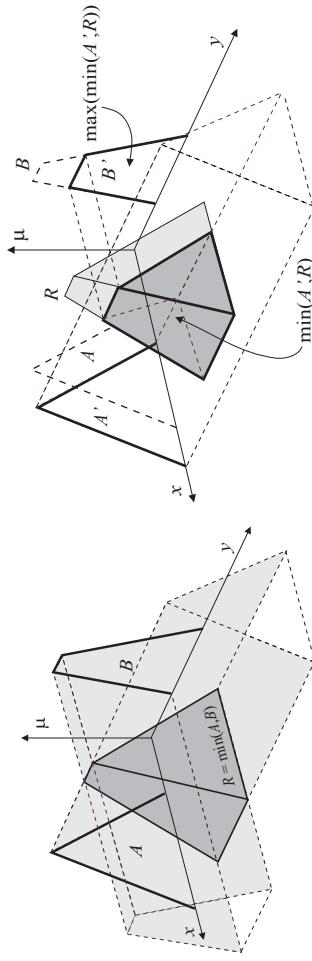
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## Graphical Illustration

$$\mu_R(x, y) = \min(\mu_A(x), \mu_B(y)) \quad \mu_{B'}(y) = \max_x \min(\mu_{A'}(x), \mu_R(x, y))$$



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## 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  $X \times Y$ :

$$R_i = A_i \times B_i \quad \mu_{R_i}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \mu_{A_i}(\mathbf{x}) \wedge \mu_{B_i}(\mathbf{y})$$

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## Aggregation and Composition

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

$$R = \bigcup_{i=1}^K R_i \quad \mu_R(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \max_{1 \leq i \leq K} [\mu_{R_i}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})]$$

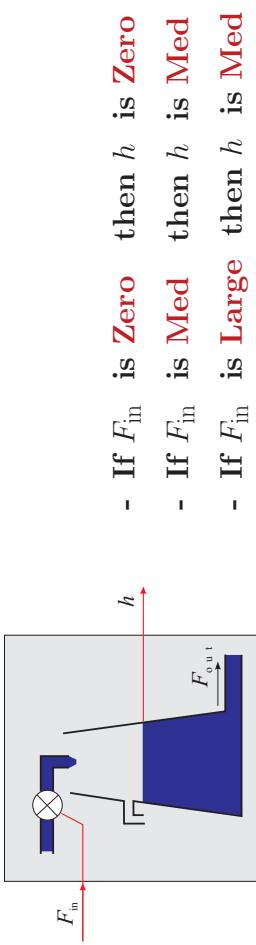
3. Given an input value  $A'$  the output value  $B'$  is:

$$B' = A' \circ R \quad \mu_{B'}(\mathbf{y}) = \max_X [\mu_{A'}(\mathbf{x}) \wedge \mu_R(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})]$$

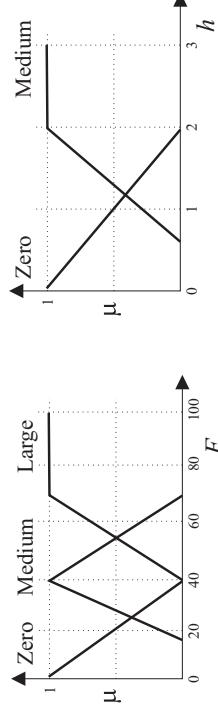
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## Example: Modeling of Liquid Level



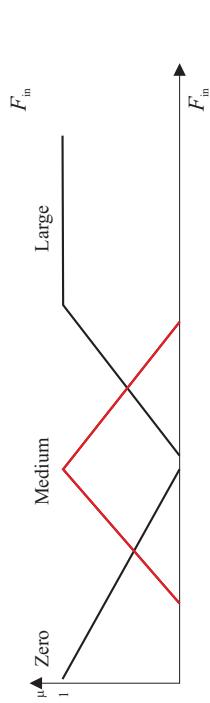
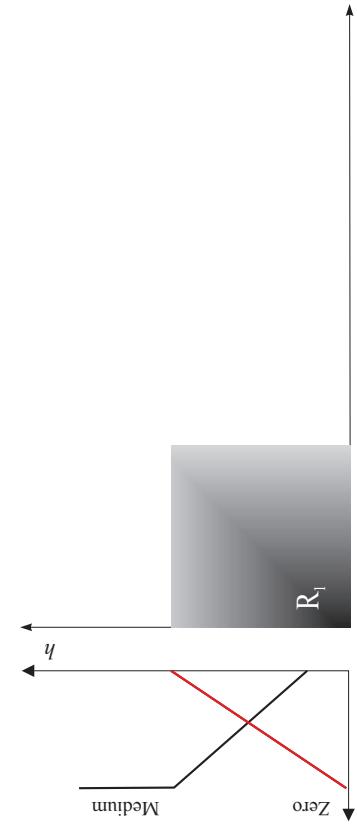
- If  $F_{in}$  is Zero then  $h$  is Zero
- If  $F_{in}$  is Med then  $h$  is Med
- If  $F_{in}$  is Large then  $h$  is Med



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## $\mathcal{R}_2$ If Flow is Medium then Level is Medium



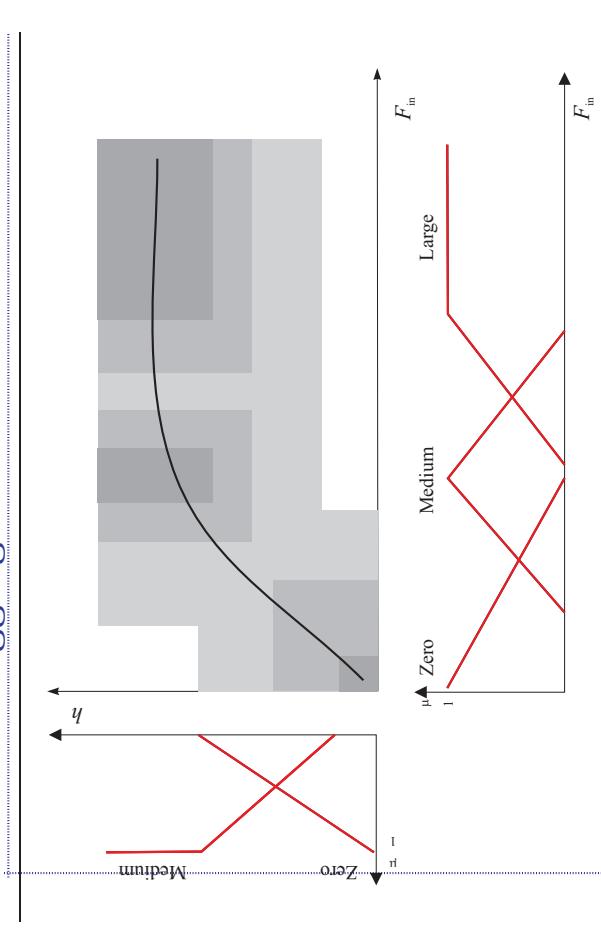
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## $R_3$ If Flow is Large then Level is Medium

### Aggregated Relation



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### 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.

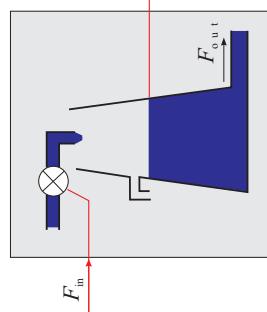
3. Aggregate output fuzzy sets of all the rules into one fuzzy set.

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

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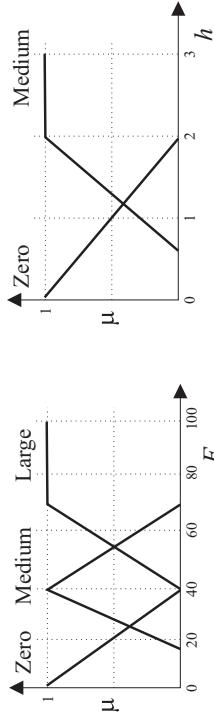
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### Water Tank Example



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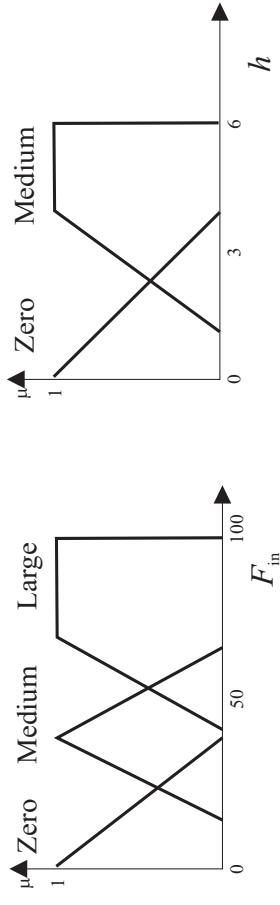


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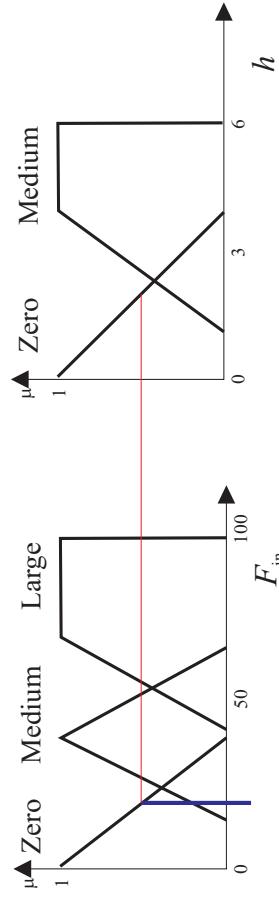
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## Mamdani Inference: Example

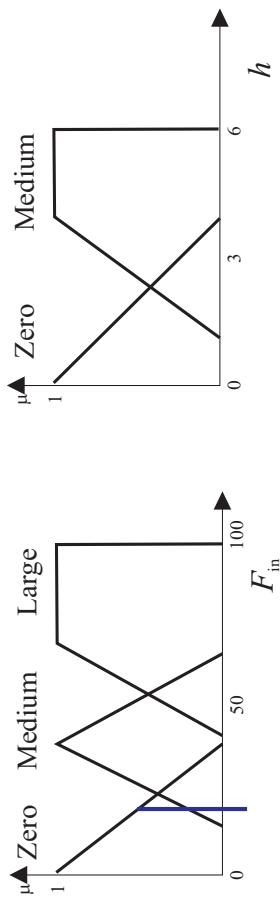
### Mamdani Inference: Example



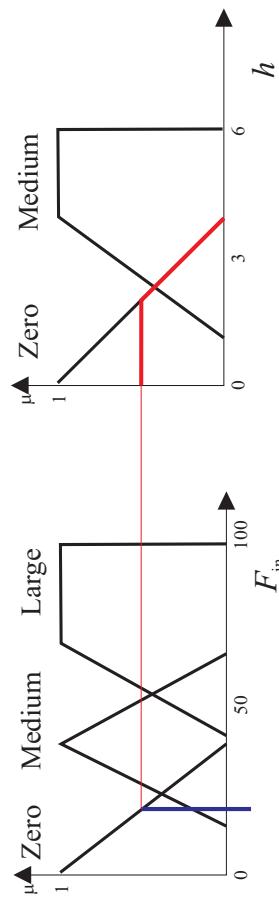
If  $F_{in}$  is Zero then ...



If  $F_{in}$  is Zero then  $h$  is Zero



Given a crisp (numerical) input ( $F_{in}$ ).

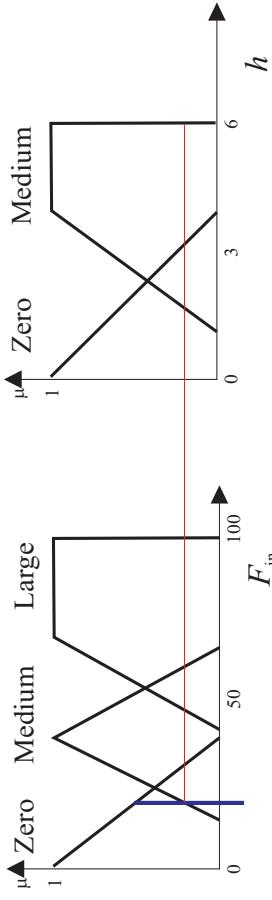


Determine the degree of fulfillment (truth) of the first rule.

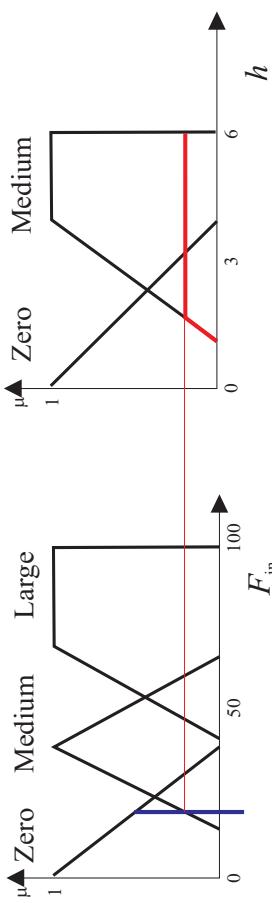
Clip consequent membership function of the first rule.

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

If  $F_{in}$  is Medium then  $h$  is Medium



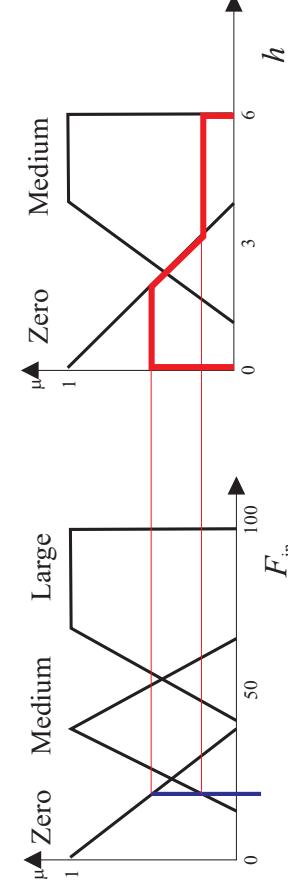
Determine the degree of fulfillment (truth) of the second rule.



Clip consequent membership function of the second rule.

## Aggregation

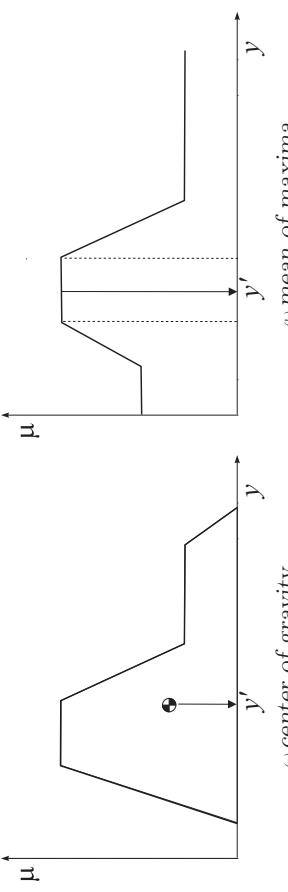
conversion of a fuzzy set to a crisp value



Combine the result of the two rules (union).

## Defuzzification

conversion of a fuzzy set to a crisp value



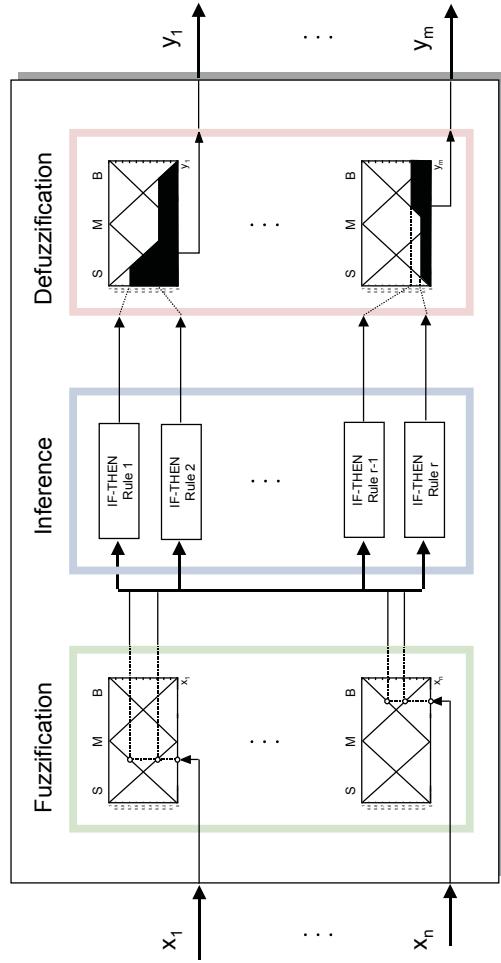
## Center-of-Gravity Method

$$y_0 = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^F \mu_{B'}(y_j) y_j}{\sum_{j=1}^F \mu_{B'}(y_j)}$$

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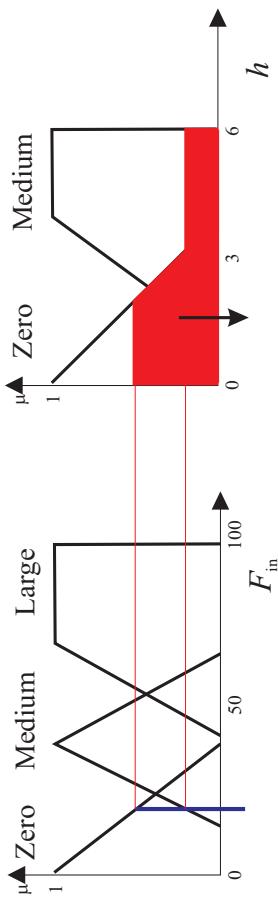
## Fuzzy System Components



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## Defuzzification



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

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