Vague Knowledge: Fuzzy Logic

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Repetition: Reliability of Knowledge

- Exact knowledge:
 - "It is raining."
- Uncertain knowledge:
 - "I believe it will not rain tomorrow."
- Incomplete knowledge:
 - "The temperature ist between 10 and 15 degree Celsius"
 - "It will rain between 2 and 5 mm tomorrow"
- Vague knowledge (interpretation-dependent knowledge):
 - "The weather is good."



Application

- Definition of rules with fuzzy values
 - Example:
 - Fuzzy-Logic Controller for a heating controller

IF Temperature = normal AND humidity = high THEN heating power = high

Product recommendation

IF requirement = normal AND price = low THEN product = standard







FUZZY SETS







Applications of Fuzzy Logic

- Fuzzy Systems became well-known as control systems (Washing machine, ...)
- Defining rules with vague knowledge

IF Temperature = normal AND Humidity = high THEN HeatingPower = high

 Other application areas: Diagnosis, Language understanding, ...





Washing Machine





Inventor of Fuzzy Logic



Lotfi Zadeh 2010



Lotfi Zadeh 1945



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Bald Men Paradox:

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- Would you describe a man with 1 hair on his head as bald? YES.
- Would you describe a man with 2 hairs on his head as bald? YES.
- Would you describe a man with 3 hairs on his head as bald? YES.
- Would you describe a man with 10000 hairs on his head as bald? NO.

Where to draw the line?





Who is short and who is tall? And who is medium?





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- When is a man short?
- Classical Set Theory: Either short or not short. E.g.: set of short men S= $\{m \mid height(m) \le 1.80\}$





Fuzzy sets have unsharp boundaries:







- A classical set can be seen as a special case of a fuzzy set, where the fuzziness of the set boudary is infinitely small.
- Classical sets are also called crisp sets.





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Exercise: Fuzzy Sets for Size of People

- Draw fuzzy sets for short, medium and tall men; use trapezoidal membership functions.
- Here are the restrictions:
 - Men below 1.60 are definitely short
 - Men taller than 175 are definitely not short
 - Men taller than 190 are definitely tall
 - Men smaller than 180 are not tall
 - Men between 170 and 185 are medium
 - Men below 165 are not medium
 - Men taller than 190 are not medium





FUZZY SET THEORY





Fuzzy Set Theory

Operations on Fuzzy Sets:

For Fuzzy Sets we can define operations

- intersection,
- union
- negation

... analogue to classical sets.





Intersection:

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Intersection: AND



Minimum Operator:

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





Union:



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





Negation:



Complement Operator: $\mu_{\neg A}(x) = 1 - \mu_A(x)$





Alpha-cut:







Exercise: Fuzzy Sets for Size of People (2)

- Draw the following fuzzy sets of people:
 - NOT short
 - NOT medium
 - NOT tall
 - Short UNION(OR) NOT tall
 - NOT short INTERSECTION(AND) NOT tall
 - Is (NOT Short INTERSETION(AND) NOT tall) = medium?



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Solution: Fuzzy Sets for Size of People (2)



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FUZZY LOGIC





Fuzzy Logical Operators

They modify or combine fuzzy logical statements.

• E.g.: AND, OR, NOT, ...

They are operations on membership degrees:

- AND: minimum, $\mu_{A \wedge B}(x, y) = \min{\{\mu_A(x), \mu_B(y)\}}$
- OR: maximum,

• NOT: complement
$$\mu_{\perp}$$

$$\mu_{A \land B}(x, y) = \min\{\mu_{A}(x), \mu_{B}(y)\}$$

$$\mu_{A \lor B}(x, y) = \max\{\mu_{A}(x), \mu_{B}(y)\}$$

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

Note: There are serveral possibilities to define fuzzy logic operators! We use the above.





Fuzzy Logic "Paradox"

In classical logic, a statement and its negation cannot be true at the same time:

$$(s \ni \neg s) = 0$$

"Tertium non datur" (law of the excluded middle)

Example: Classical statement s=,,Bob is small",

where *small* is specified by the following crisp set:



If height(Bob)=1.65, then $(s \land \neg s) = min\{0,1\}=0$.



Fuzzy Logic "Paradox"

In fuzzy logic, a statement and ist negation can both be (partially) true at the same time:

 $(s \ni \neg s) \neq 0$ for some s

Example: Fuzzy statement s= "Bob is small",

where small is specified by the following fuzzy set:



If height(Bob)=1.65, then $(s \land \neg s) = min\{0.5, 0.5\}=0.5$



Classical vs. Linguistic Variables

Example: Classical variable «temperature» (t). t takes exact values in the interval [-50,50],e.g., t=20:







Classical vs. Linguistic Variables

Example: Linguistic variable «temperature» (t). t takes the fuzzy values low, normal, high, e.g., t=low. Fuzzy values are defined as Fuzzy Sets:



In one graphic:





Classical Logical Statements

The possible truth values of an exact statement are: 1 (True) or 0 (False).







Fuzzy Logical Statements

The possible truth values of a fuzzy statement are 1 (True), 0 (False), and every value in between.



The truth value of a fuzzy statement is also called truth degree. The truth degree indicates the degree of compatibility of the exact value 22.5°C with the fuzzy statements s.







APPLICATIONS OF FUZZY LOGIC





Designing a Fuzzy Controller (Procedure)





Fuzzification

- Transformation of exact variables to linguistic variables, and
- Transformation of exact values to fuzzy values (fuzzy sets).

Example: Fuzzification of variable «temperature»:

$$t \in [-50,50] \rightarrow t \in \{low, normal, high\}$$

$$t = 22.5^{\circ}C \rightarrow \{\mu_{low}(t) = 0, \ \mu_{normal}(t) = 0.5, \ \mu_{high}(t) = 0.5\}$$





Defuzzification

= Transformation of a fuzzy set to an exact value (number).

Different possible methods, e.g.,

- Center of gravity method
- Maximum method
- Weighted average method

Example: Centre of gravity method (Sugeno 1985, most commonly used):



Disadvantage: Computationally difficult for complex membership functions.



Example: Fuzzy Logic Controller

- Problem: Car heating system
 - The heating systems of a car should keep the temperature constant.
 - The heating power that is necessary depends on the temperature and the air humidity in the car:
 - The *higher* the temperature, the *lower* must be the heating power.
 - The *lower* the temperature, the *higher* must be the heating power.
 - The humidity interacts with temperature.
 - Sensors show the current temperature and humidity.





Steps to build the fuzzy controller

- 1. Specify Input and Output variables
- 2. Fuzzification of variables and values
- 3. Define fuzzy rules
- 4. Defuzzification





Step 1: Specify Input and Output variables





Step 2a: Fuzzification of variables and values:

- Determine linguistic variables:
 - Humidity: {low, medium, high}
 - Temperature: {low, normal, high}
 - Heating power: {low, normal, increased, high}
- Specify the fuzzy values of the linguistic variables as fuzzy sets
 - see next slide!





Step 2b: Fuzzification of variables and values:

- For each variable and each value a Fuzzy Set is defined.
- Here is the Fuzzification of temperature. It is assumed that the normal temperature is around 20° C (imagine it as the temperature that is adjusted at controller of the heating).



Fuzzy sets for temperature in one graphic





Step 2: Fuzzification of variables and values:







Step 3: Define fuzzy IF-THEN rules

- A fuzzy IF-THEN rule is NOT a logical implication, but can be thought of as a command.
- A set of Fuzzy IF-THEN rules maps linguistic variables to linguistic variables (fuzzy function).
- Fuzzy IF-THEN rules describe the control of the system. They are similar to the experiences of an expert, who would formulate their knowledge in natural language terms.





Step 3: Define fuzzy IF-THEN rules



IF Temperature = *low* THEN heating power is *increased*

Rule 2:

IF Temperature = *normal* AND humidity = *low* THEN heating power is *normal*

Rule 3:

IF Temperature = *normal* AND humidity = *high* THEN heating power is *high*

Rule 4:

IF Temperature = *high* THEN heating power is *low*





Rule Application is performed in four steps:

- 1. Evaluate Antecedents:
 - For an exact input value, determine to which degree each antecedent is satisfied
 - Combine the degrees using the logical operators (AND in our example)
- 2. Evaluate Consequents:
 - The degree to wich an input variables A_i is satisfied determines the degree to which the corresponding output variable B_i holds (because IF-THEN rules are fuzzy functions). The result is the alpha cut of the output variable.
- 3. Aggregate Consequents:
 - Each rule gives one fuzzy set as a fuzzy output. Since all rules are valid, the fuzzy outputs may overlap (law of the excluded middle does not hold in general!). Combine them by OR to obtain a single fuzzy output value («aggregated output»).
- 4. Defuzzify Aggregated Output





Step 1: Evaluate Antecedents

Assume the sensors have measured the following exact input values:

Temperature:t=19°Humidity:h=45%





Step 1: Evaluate Antecedents

Rule 1: IF temperature = *low* THEN heating power is *increased*







Step 2: Evaluate Consequents







Step 1: Evaluate Antecedents





Min-Operator for AND:

 $\mu_{t=normal \land h=low}(19^\circ, 45\%) = \min\{0.7, 0.4\} = 0.4$





Step 2: Evaluate Consequents





Step 1: Evaluate Antecedents





Min-Operator for AND:

$$\mu_{t=normal \land h=high}(19^\circ, 45\%) = \min\{0.7, 0\} = 0$$





Step 2: Evaluate Consequents





Step 1: Evaluate Antecedents

Rule 4: IF Temperature = high

THEN heating power is *low*



 $\mu_{t=high}(19^{\circ})=0$





Step 2: Evaluate Consequents

Rule 4: IF Temperature = *high* THEN heating power is *low*











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Step 4: Defuzzify aggregated output

Center of gravity method:



 $v = \frac{\int \mu_A(x) \cdot x \, dx}{\int \mu_A(x) \, dx}$





Main difference to exact reasoning:

Several rules can be active at the same time! (Usually with different strengths.)







FUZZY LOGIC IN FLEX

Flex ist die Fuzzy-Komponent of LPA Prolog https://lpa.co.uk/





Representation of Fuzzy Logic in Flex



fuzzy_variable temperature ;
ranges from -50 to 50 ;
fuzzy_set low is \ shaped and linear at 15, 20 ;
fuzzy_set normal is /\ shaped and linear at 15, 20, 25 ;
fuzzy_set high is / shaped and linear at 20, 25 ;

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Repräsentation von Fuzzy-Logik in Flex

temperature



heating power



fuzzy variable temperature ; ranges from -50 to 50; fuzzy set low is \ shaped and linear at 15, 20; fuzzy set normal is /\ shaped and linear at 15, 20, 15; fuzzy set high is / shaped and linear at 20, 25;

fuzzy variable humidity ; ranges from 0 to 100; fuzzy_set low is \ shaped and linear at 40, 50 ; fuzzy set medium is /-\ shaped and linear at 40, 50, 60, 70; fuzzy set high is / shaped and linear at 60, 100;

fuzzy variable heatingpower ; ranges from 0 to 100 ; fuzzy set low is \ shaped and linear at 20, 30; fuzzy set normal is /-\ shaped and linear at 20, 30, 40, 50; fuzzy set increased is /-\ shaped and linear at 40,50,60,70; fuzzy set high is / shaped and linear at 60, 70;





Fuzzy-Regeln in Flex

IF Temperature = *low* THEN heating power is *increased*

IF Temperature = *normal* AND humidity = *low* THEN heating power is *normal*

IF Temperature = *normal* AND humidity = *high* THEN heating power is *high*

IF Temperature = *high* THEN heating power is *low*

fuzzy_rule r_1 if temperature is low
 then heatingpower is increased.

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fuzzy_rule r_2 if temperature is normal and humidity is low
then heatingpower is normal.
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fuzzy_rule r_3 if temperature is normal and humidity is high
 then heatingpower is normal.

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fuzzy_rule r_4 if temperature is high
   then heatingpower is low.
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