

Vague Knowledge: Fuzzy Logic

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(with some slides from Holger Wache and Gwendolin Wilke)

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



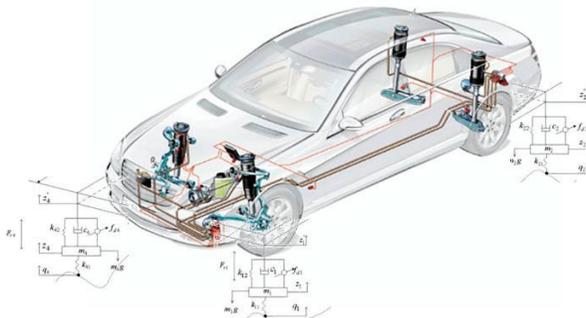
Applications of Fuzzy Logic

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

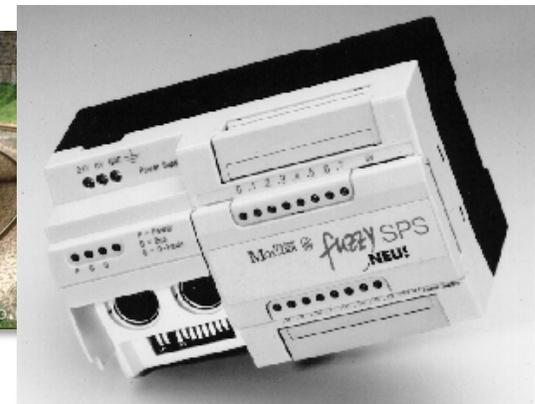
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- Other application areas: Diagnosis, Language understanding, ...



Washing Machine



Active Suspension Control System



Inventor of Fuzzy Logic



Lotfi Zadeh 2010



Lotfi Zadeh 1945

Classical vs. Fuzzy Sets

■ Bald Men Paradox:

- 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.**
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- Would you describe a man with 10000 hairs on his head as bald? **NO.**

Where to draw the line?



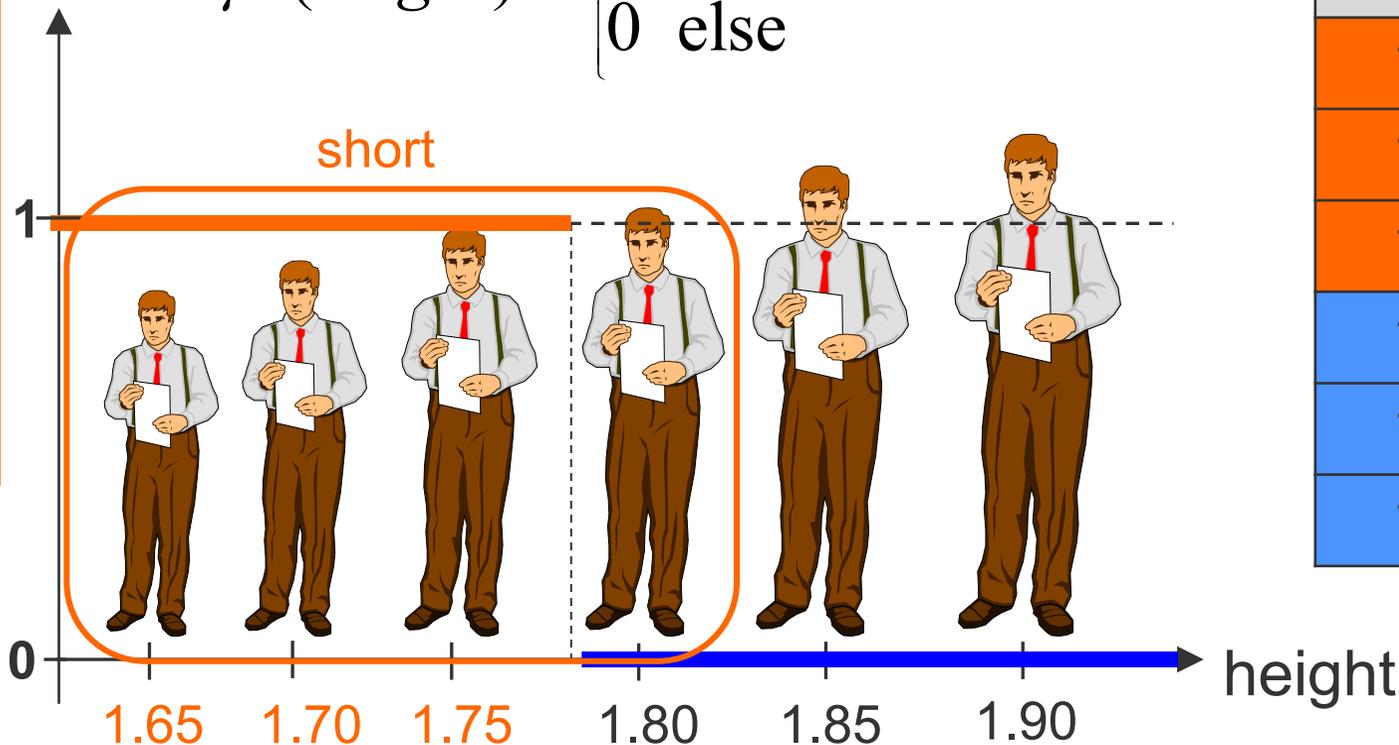
Who is short and who is tall? And who is medium?



Representation by membership function

Classical sets, e.g.: set of short men $S = \{m \mid \text{height}(m) \leq 1.80\}$

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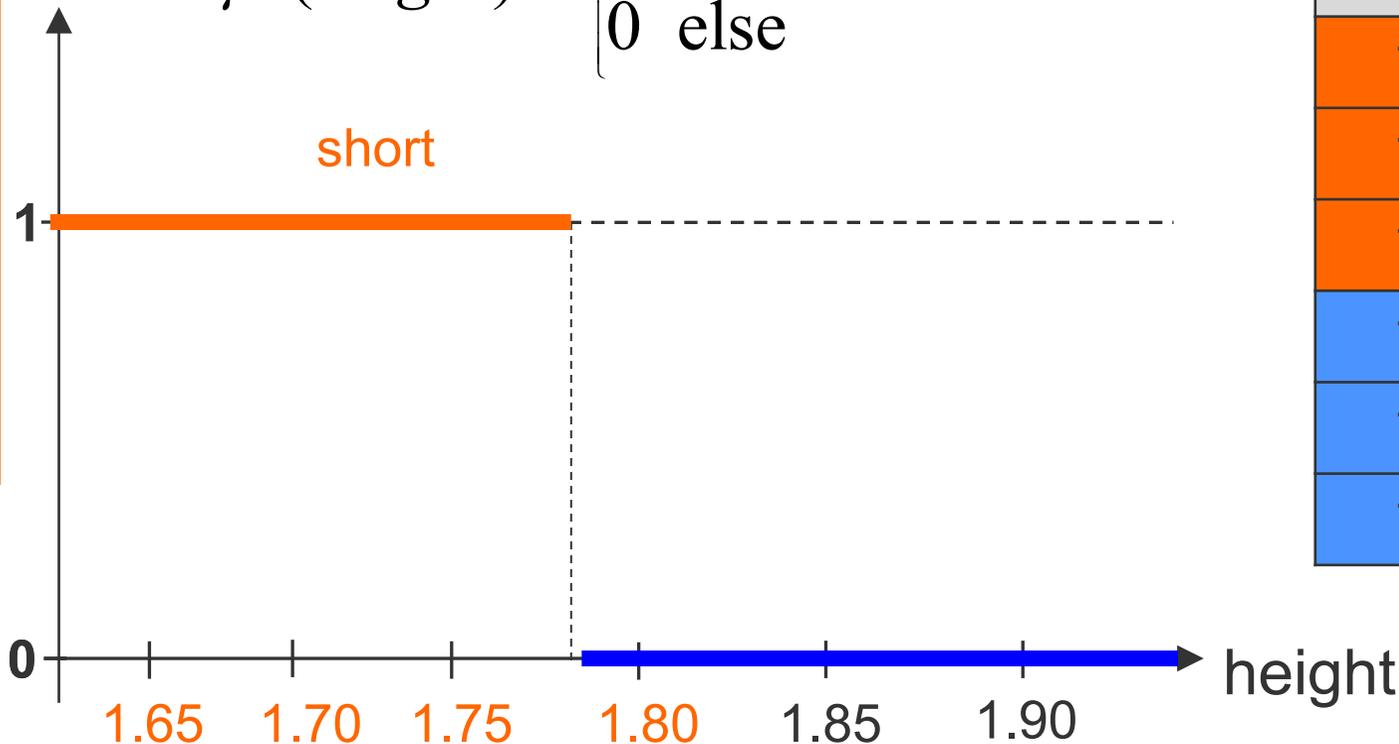
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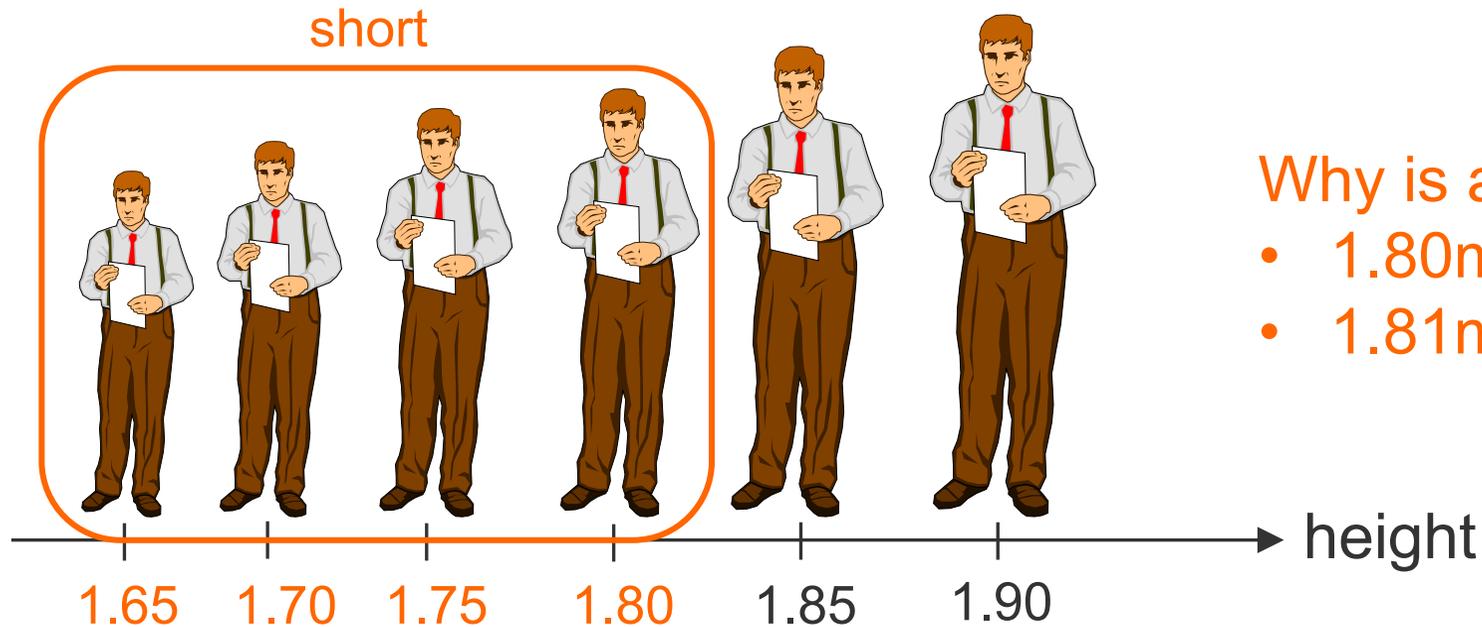


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Classical vs. Fuzzy Sets

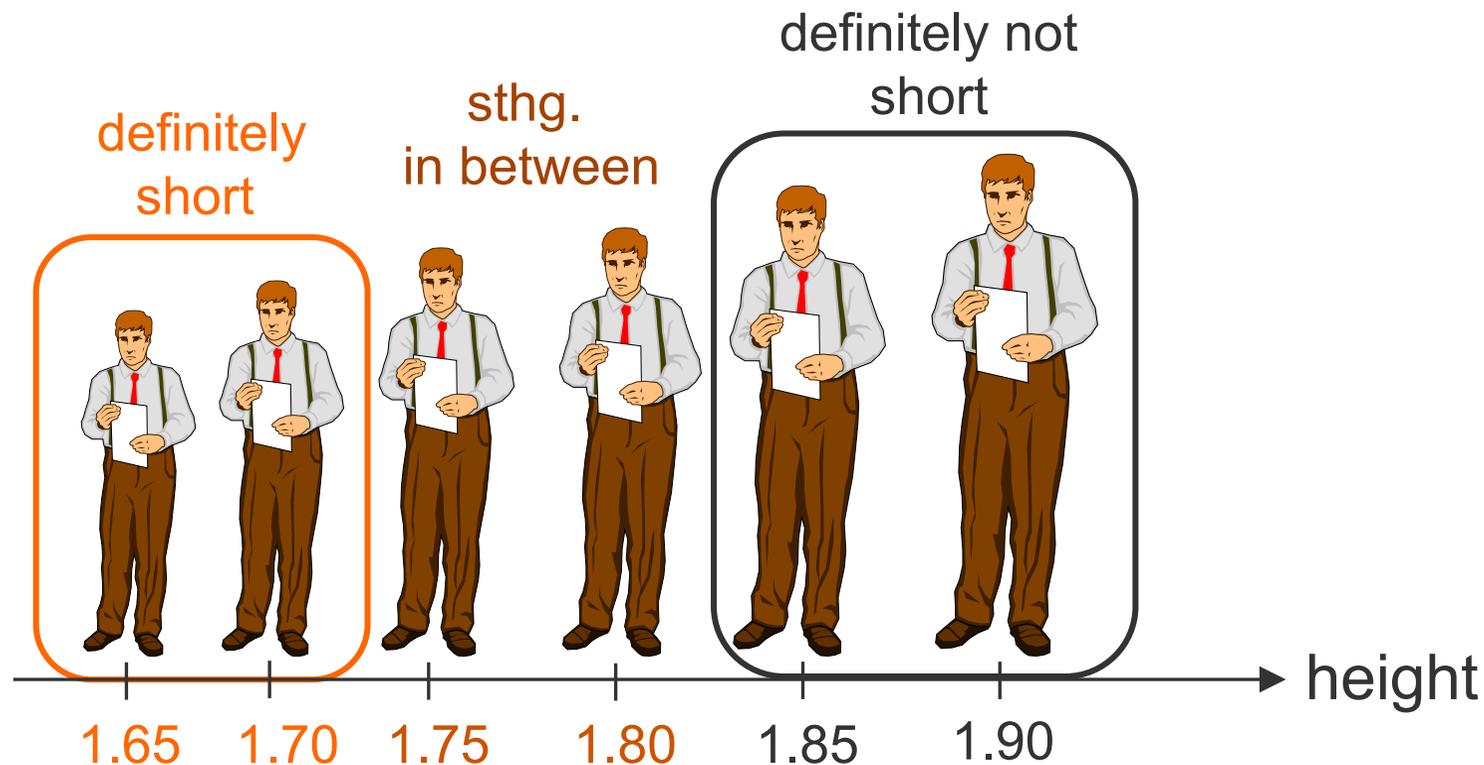
- When is a man short?
- Classical Set Theory: Either short or not short.
E.g.: set of short men $S = \{m \mid \text{height}(m) \leq 1.80\}$



- Why is a man of
- 1.80m short
 - 1.81m not short?

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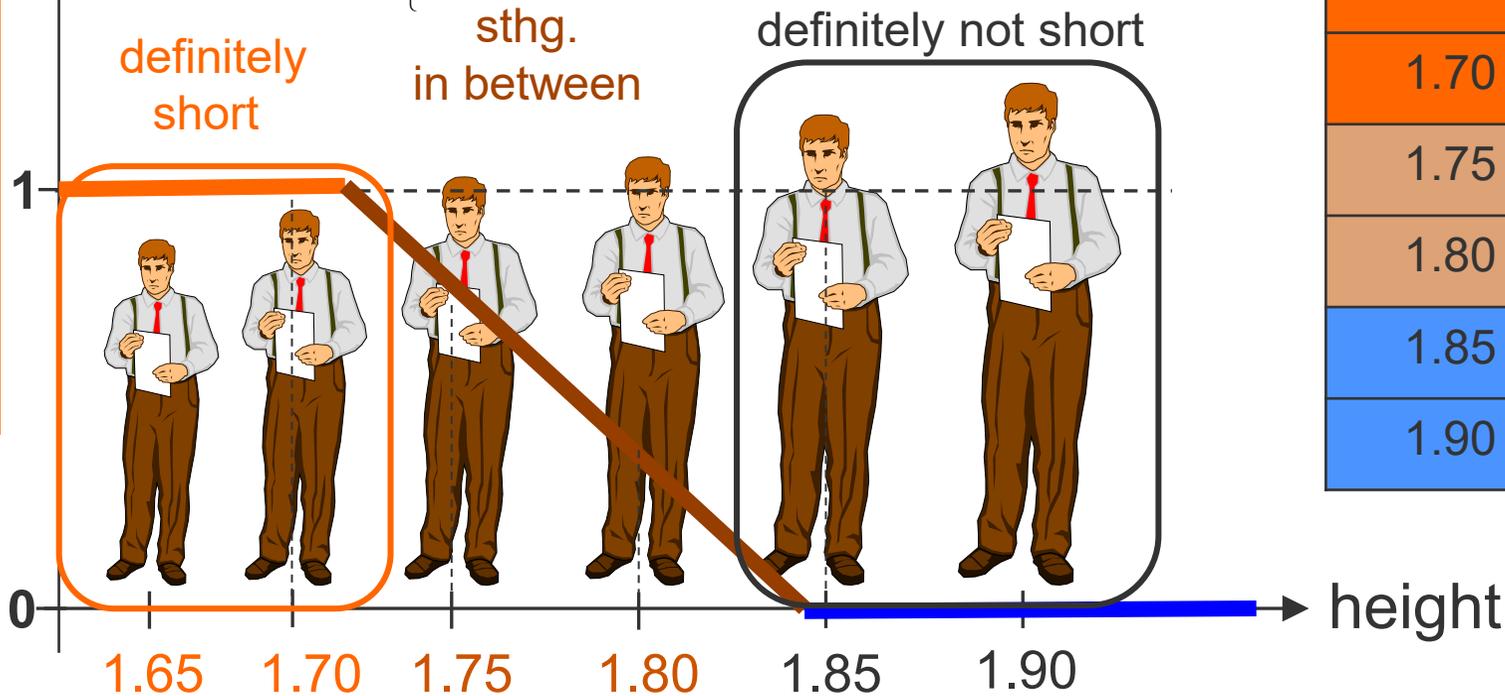
- Fuzzy sets have unsharp boundaries:



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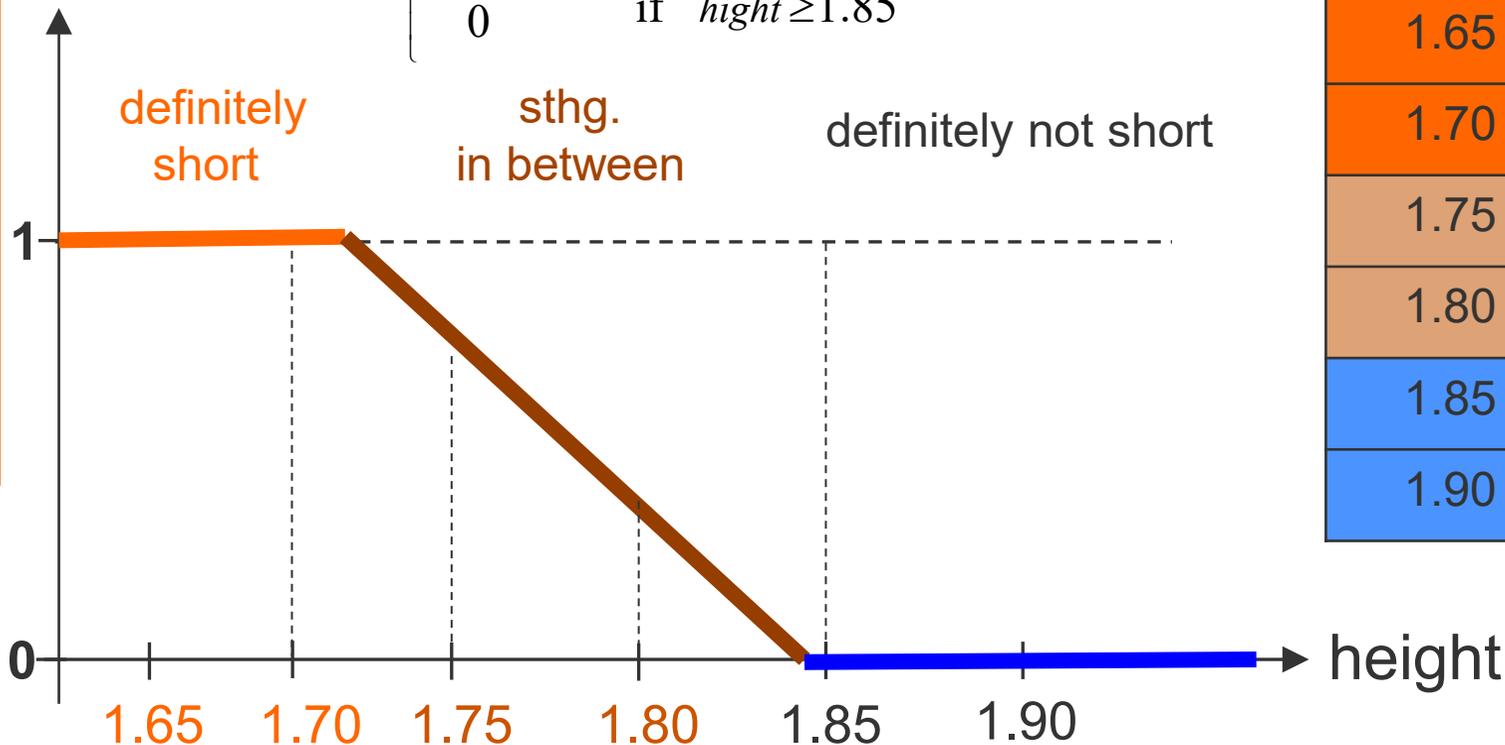
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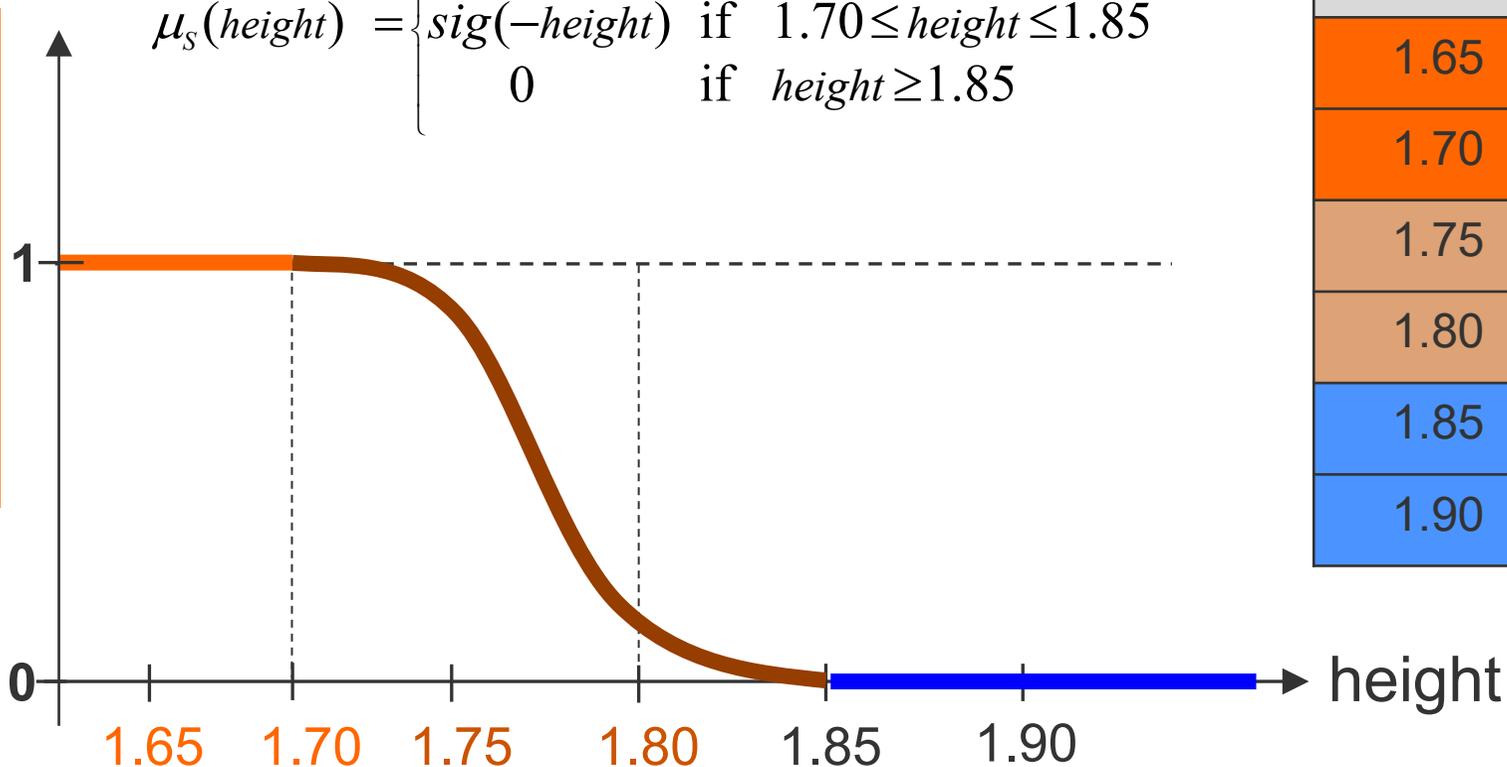
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Classical vs. Fuzzy Sets

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



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:

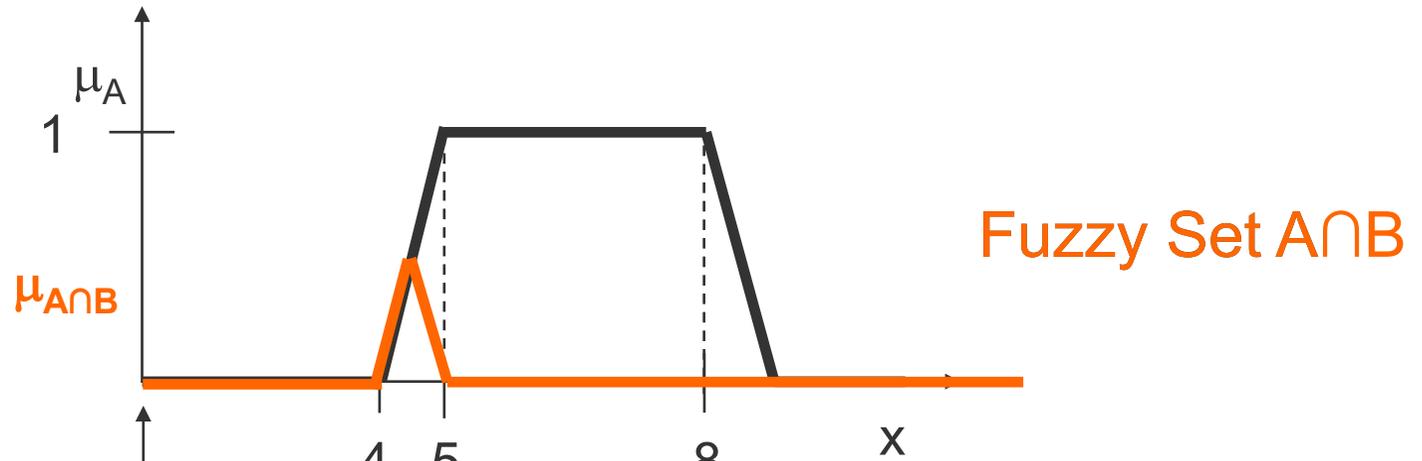
For Fuzzy Sets we can define operations

- ◆ *intersection*,
- ◆ *union*
- ◆ *negation*

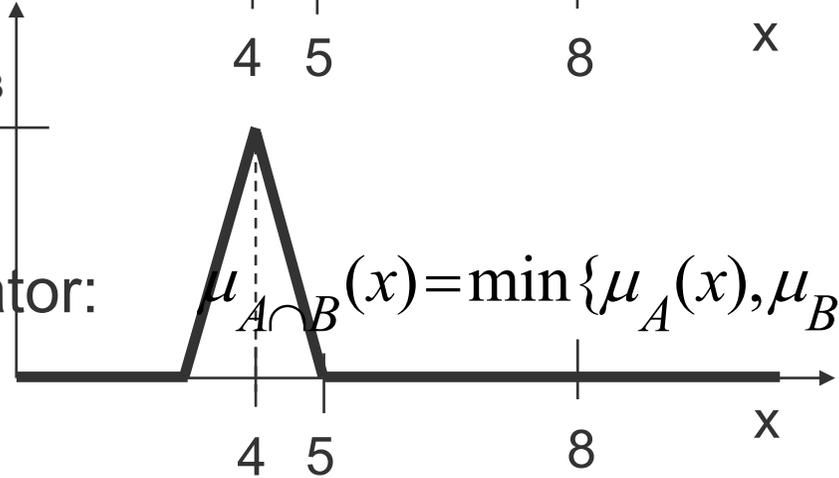
... analogue to classical sets.

Operations with Fuzzy Sets

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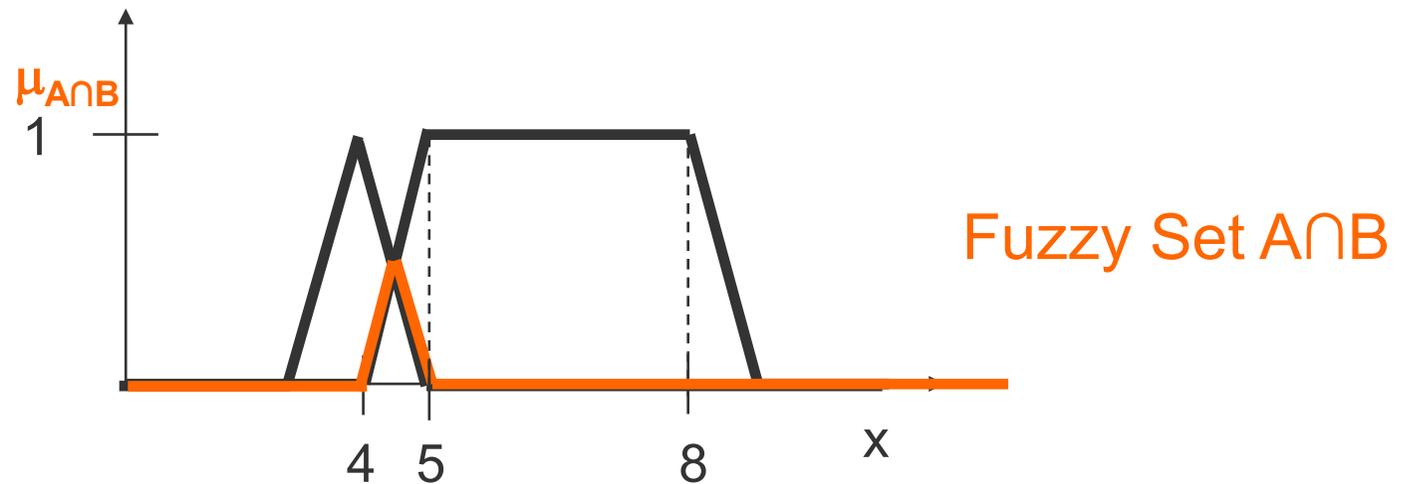


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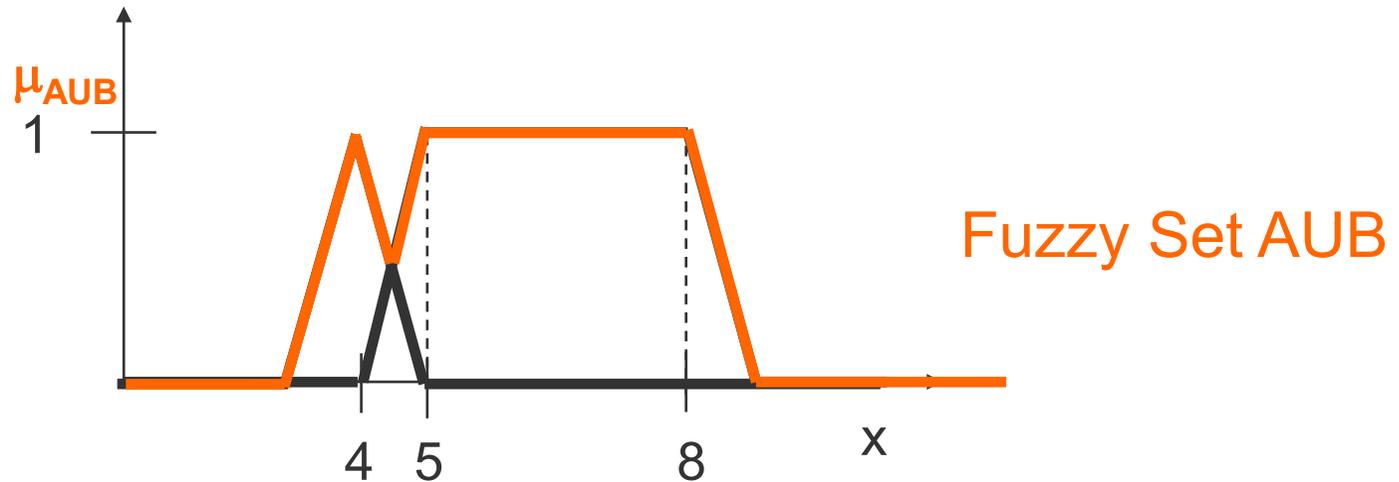
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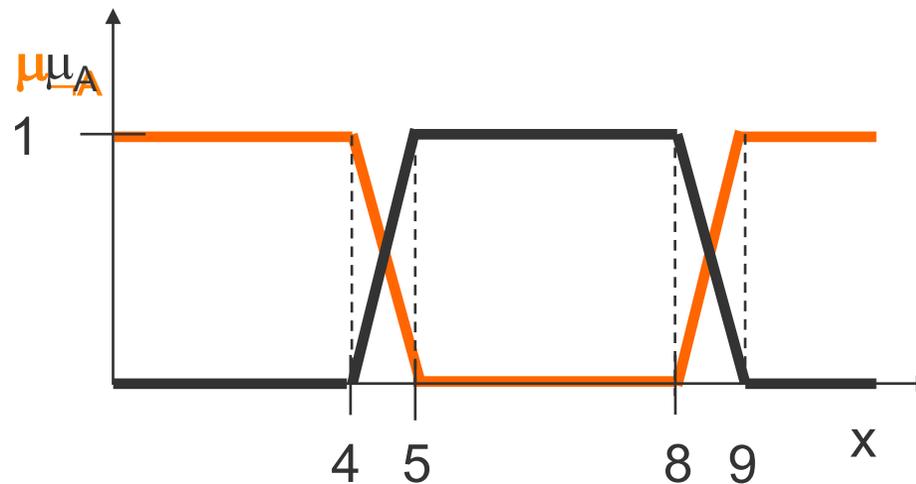
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Operations with Fuzzy Sets

Negation:



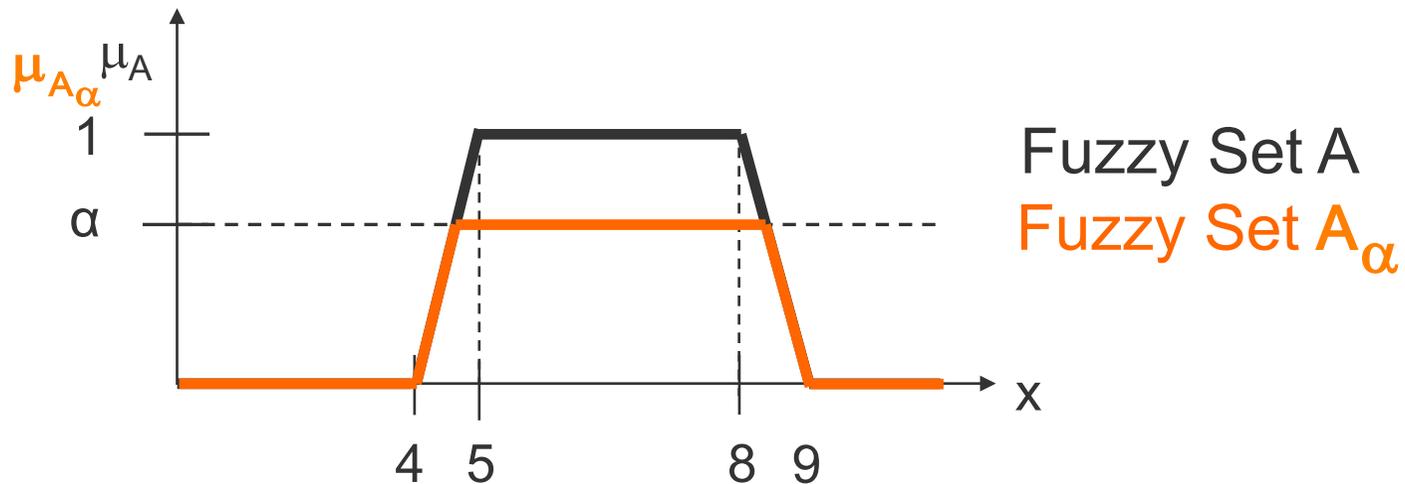
Fuzzy Set A

Fuzzy Set $\neg A$

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

Operations with Fuzzy Sets

Alpha-cut:



α -Cut Operator: $\mu_{A_\alpha}(x) = \min\{\mu_A(x), \alpha\}$

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?





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, $\mu_{A \vee B}(x, y) = \max \{ \mu_A(x), \mu_B(y) \}$
 - ◆ NOT: complement $\mu_{\neg A}(x) = 1 - \mu_A(x)$
- Note: There are several possibilities to define fuzzy logic operators! We use the above.



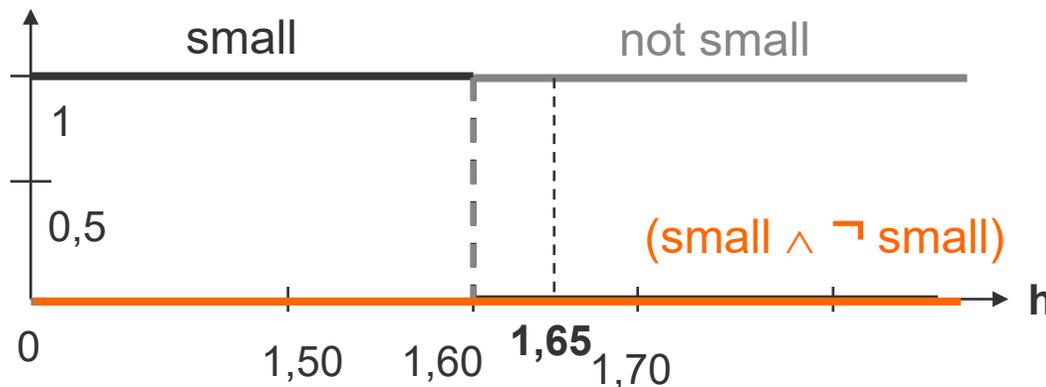
Fuzzy Logic „Paradox“

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

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

„Tertium non datur“
(law of the excluded middle)

Example: Classical statement $s = \text{„Bob is small“}$,
where *small* is specified by the following **crisp set**:



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

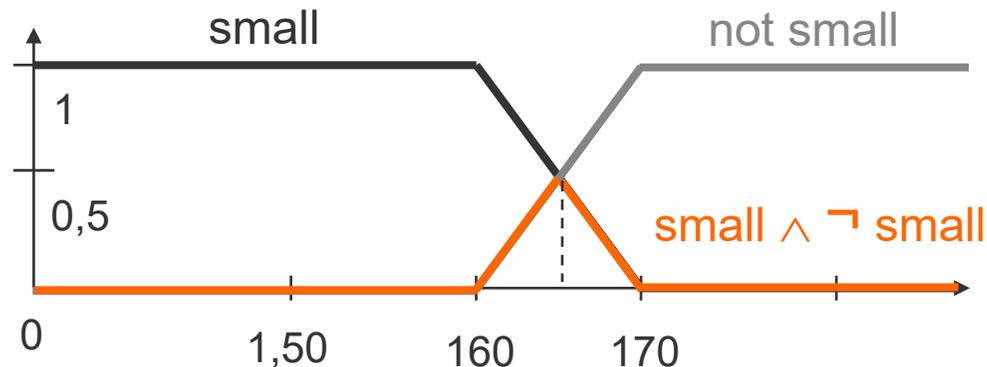


Fuzzy Logic „Paradox“

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

$$(s \wedge \neg s) \neq 0 \quad \text{for some } s$$

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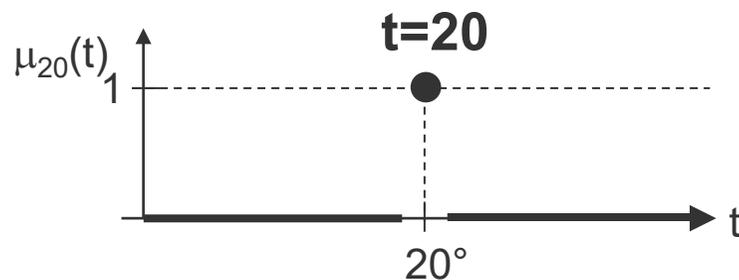


If $\text{height}(\text{Bob}) = 1.65$, then $(s \wedge \neg s) = \min\{0.5, 0.5\} = 0.5$



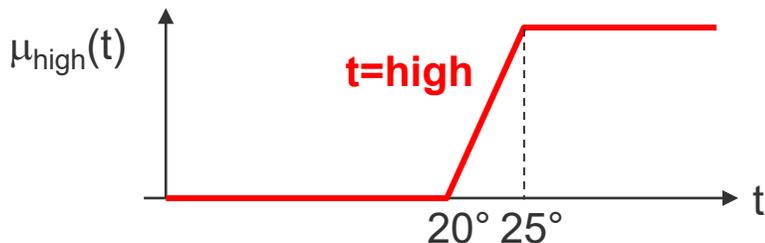
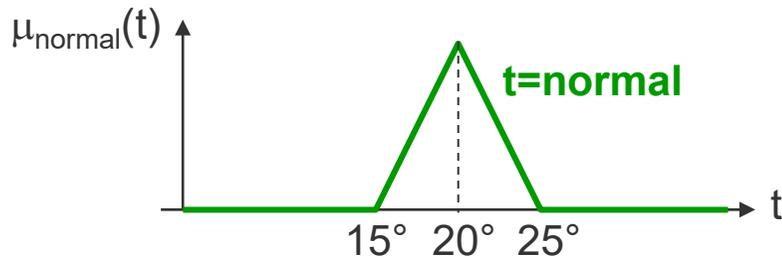
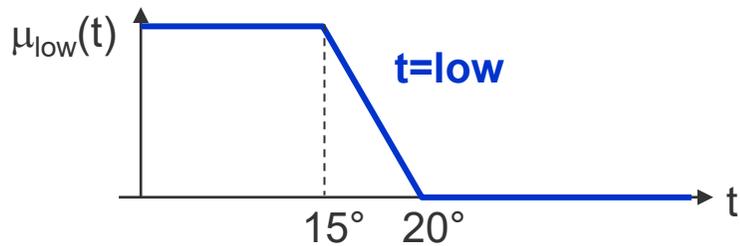
Classical vs. Linguistic Variables

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

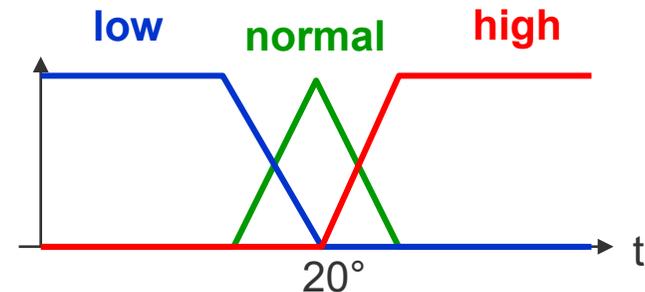


Classical vs. Linguistic Variables

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



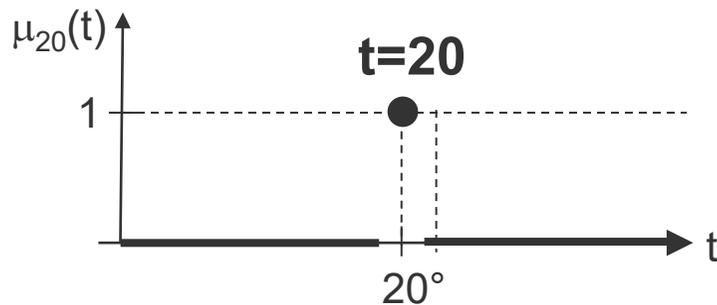
In one graphic:



Classical Logical Statements

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

Example: Exact statement $s = \text{«The temperature is } 20^\circ\text{C.}\text{»}$



«Temperature» is a classical variable (t).
Takes the value $t=20$.

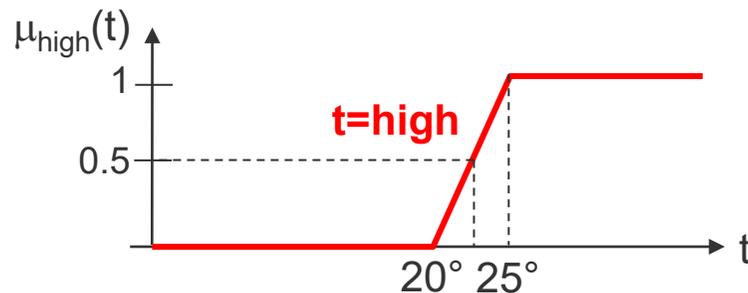
Assume the temperature is 22.5°C .

Then the truth value of s is 0.

Fuzzy Logical Statements

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

Example: Fuzzy statement $s = \text{«The temperature is high.»}$



«Temperature» is a linguistic variable (t).
Takes the value $t = \text{high}$.

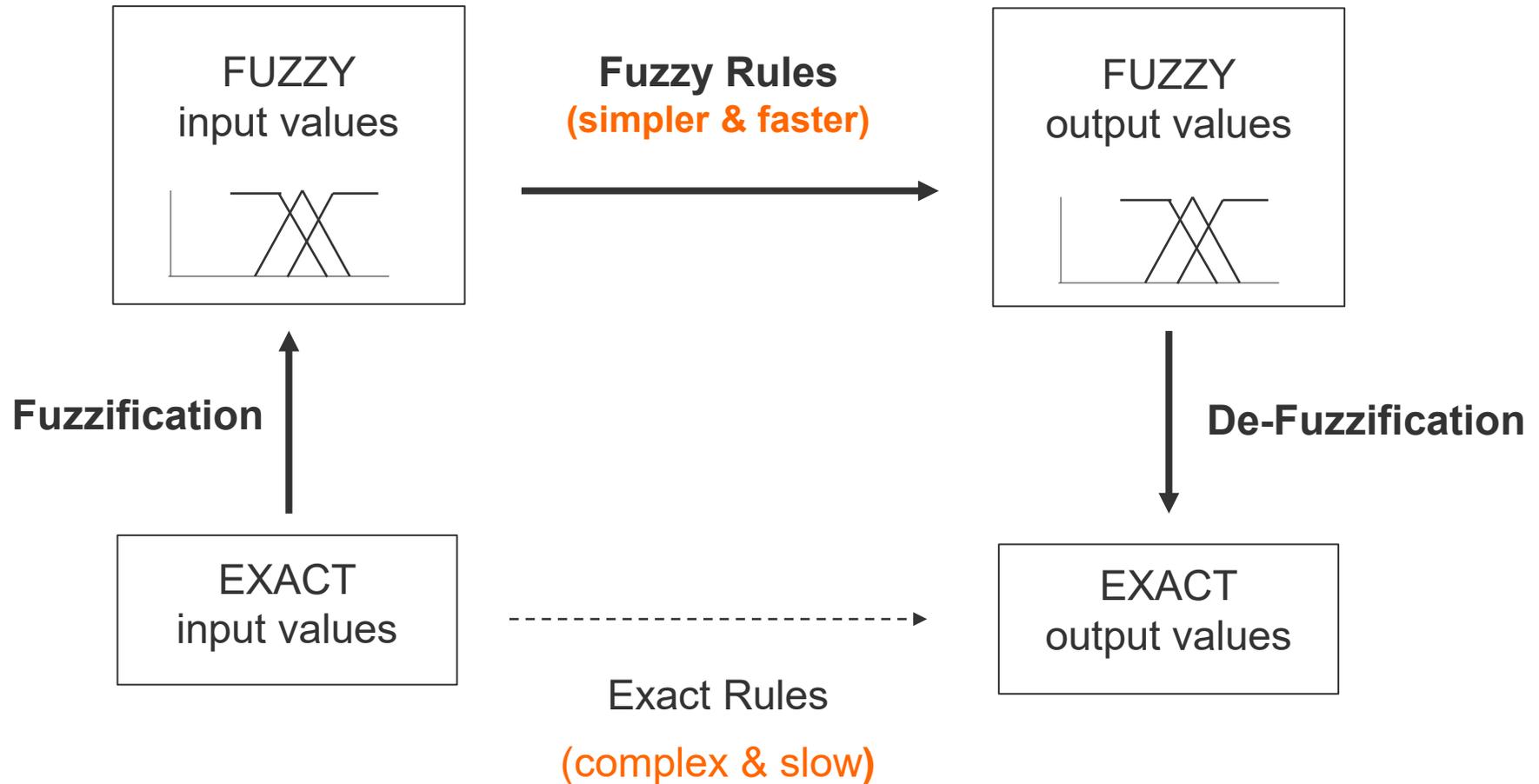
Assume the temperature is 22.5°C .
Then the truth value of s is 0.5 .

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)



Input variables

Output variables



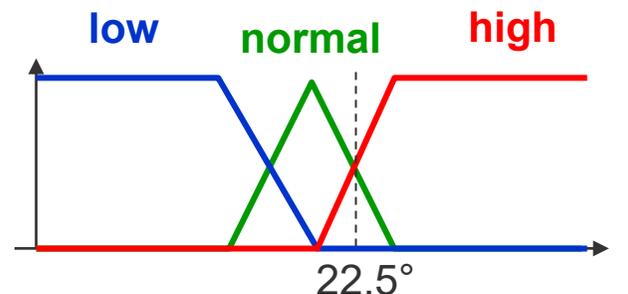
Fuzzification

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

Example: Fuzzification of variable «temperature»:

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

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



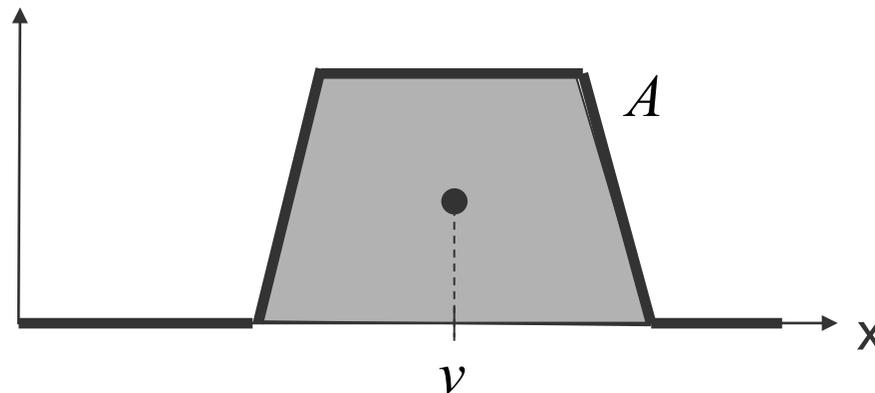
Defuzzification

= 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):



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

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.



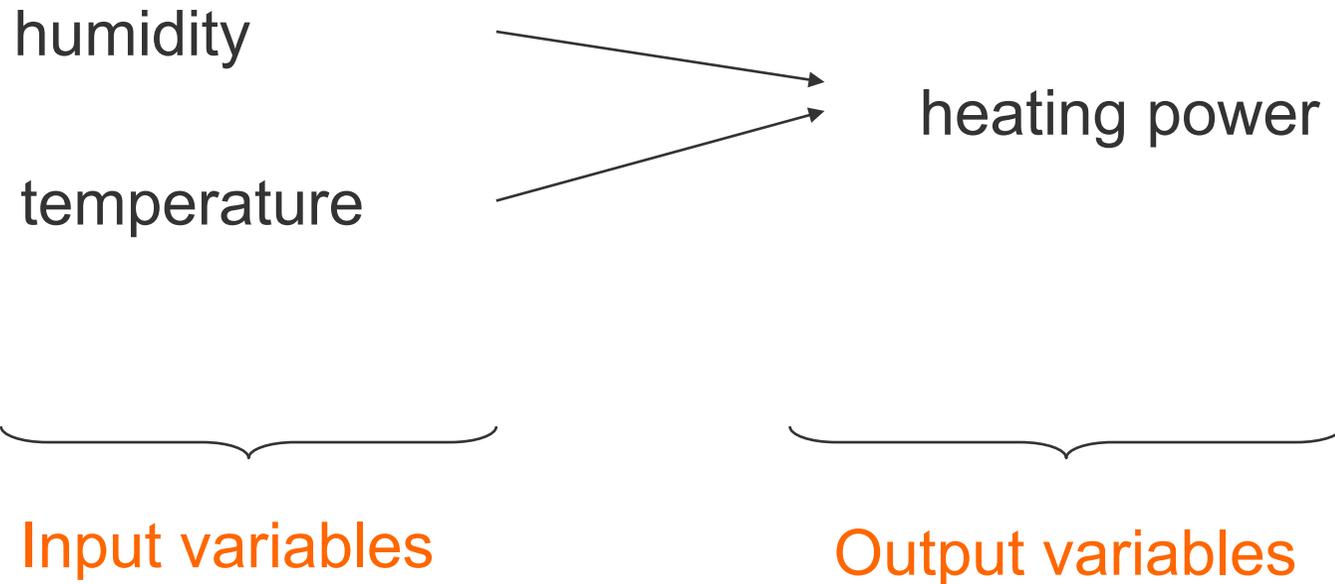
Fuzzy Logic Controller „Car heating system”

Steps to build the fuzzy controller

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

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Step 1: Specify Input and Output variables



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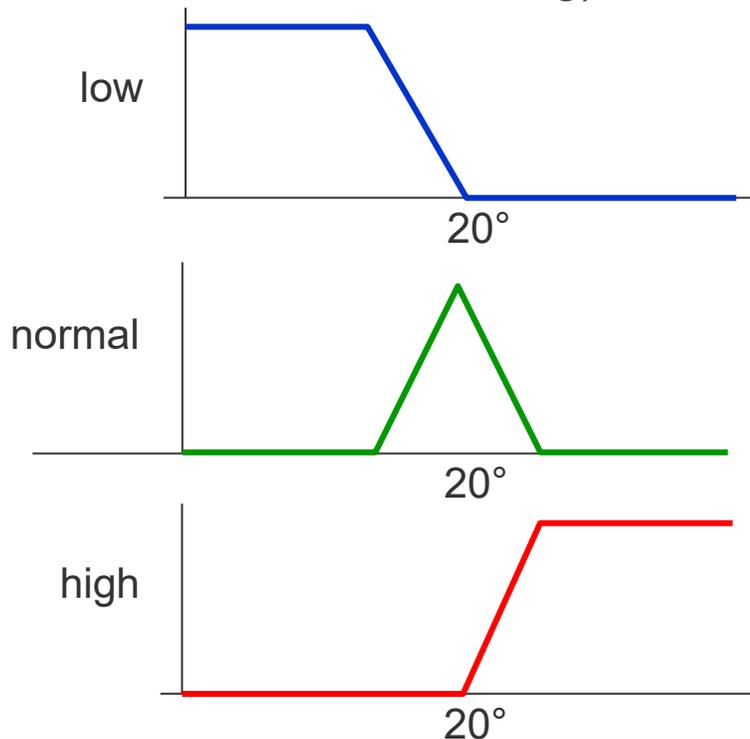
Step 2a: Fuzzification of variables and values:

- 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!

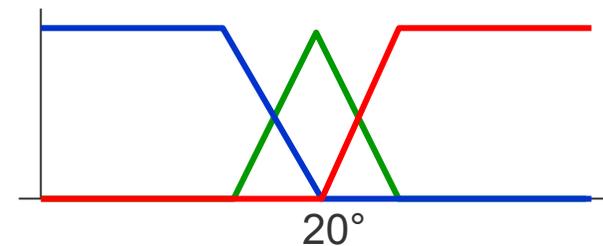
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Step 2b: Fuzzification of variables and values:

- 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).

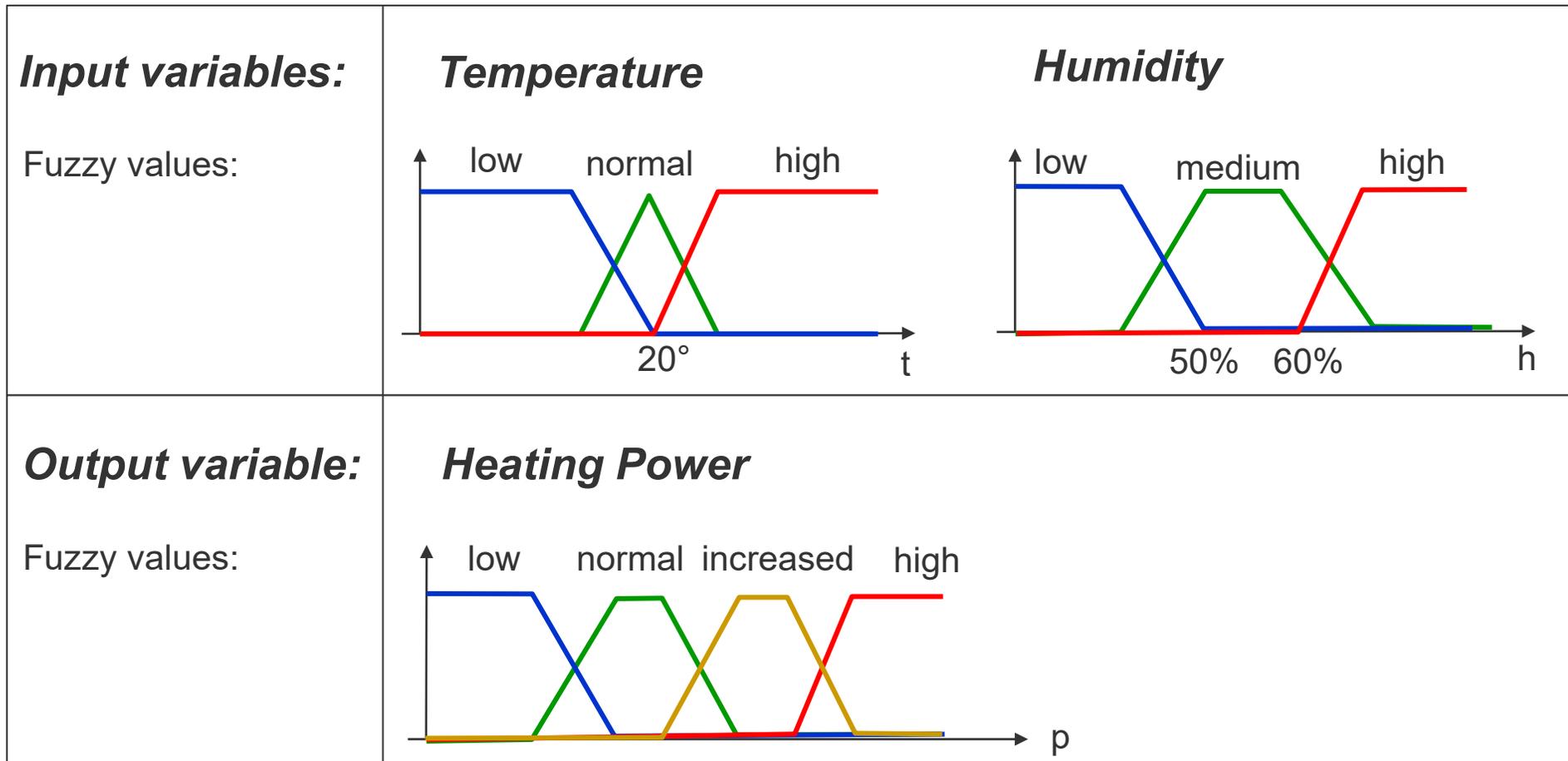


Fuzzy sets for temperature in one graphic



Fuzzy Logic Controller „Car heating system”

Step 2: Fuzzification of variables and values:



Fuzzy Logic Controller „Car heating system”

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.

Fuzzy Logic Controller „Car heating system”

Step 3: Define fuzzy IF-THEN rules

- Rule 1:

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*

Fuzzy Logic Controller „Car heating system”

Step 3: Define fuzzy IF-THEN rules ... as decision table

| | | Humidity | | |
|-------------|--------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| AND | | low | medium | high |
| Temperature | low | increased | increased | increased |
| | normal | normal | | high |
| | high | low | low | low |

White fields contain irrelevant cases

Rule Application: „Car heating system”

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 which 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



Rule Application: „Car heating system”

Step 1: Evaluate Antecedents

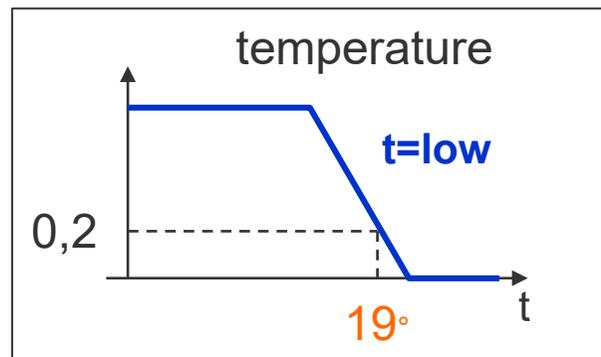
Assume the **sensors** have measured the following exact input values:

Temperature: $t=19^{\circ}$
Humidity: $h=45\%$

Rule Application: „Car heating system”

Step 1: Evaluate Antecedents

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

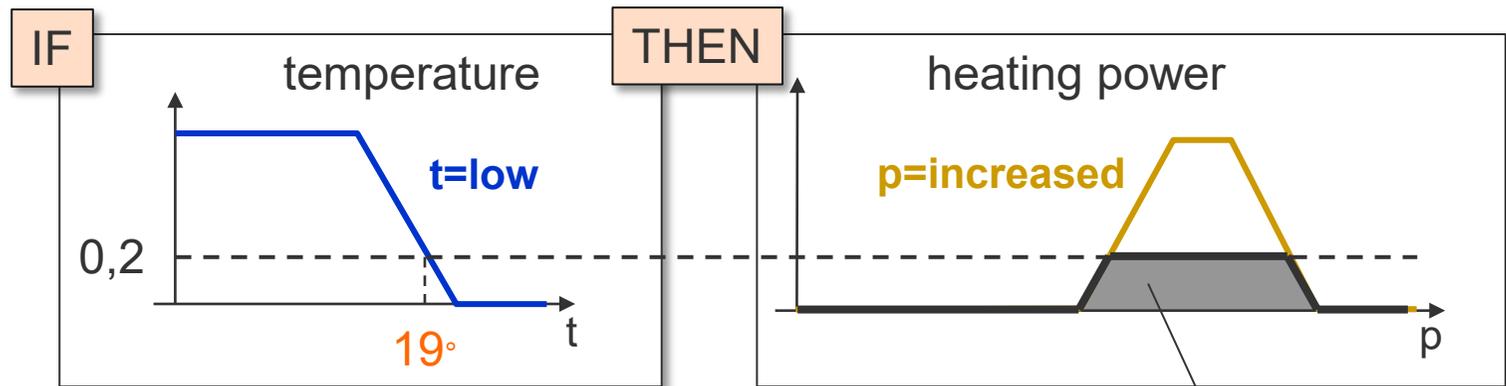


$$\mu_{t=low}(19^\circ) = 0.2$$

Rule Application: „Car heating system”

Step 2: Evaluate Consequents

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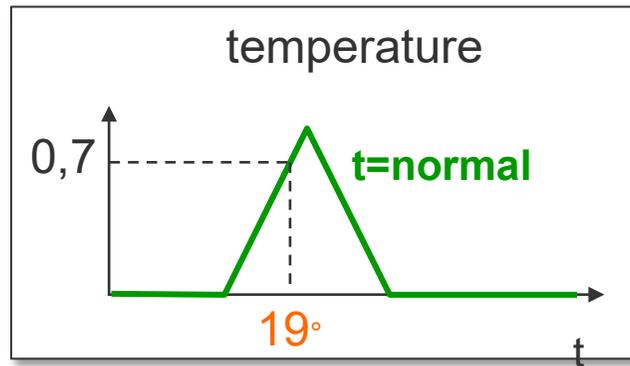


Output fuzzy set: $(\mu_{p=increased})_{0.2}$
(α -cut of $\mu_{p=increased}$ with $\alpha=0.2$.)

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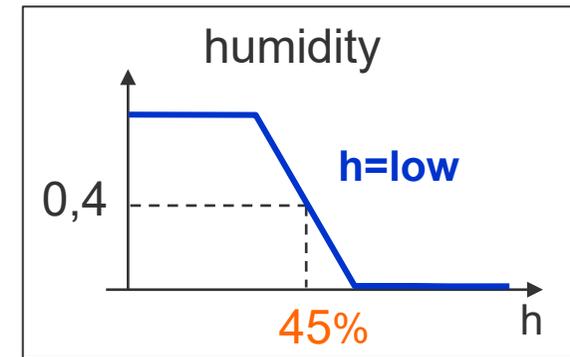
Step 1: Evaluate Antecedents

Rule 2: IF temperature = *normal* AND humidity = *low* THEN heating power is *normal*



$$\mu_{t=normal}(19^\circ) = 0.7$$

AND



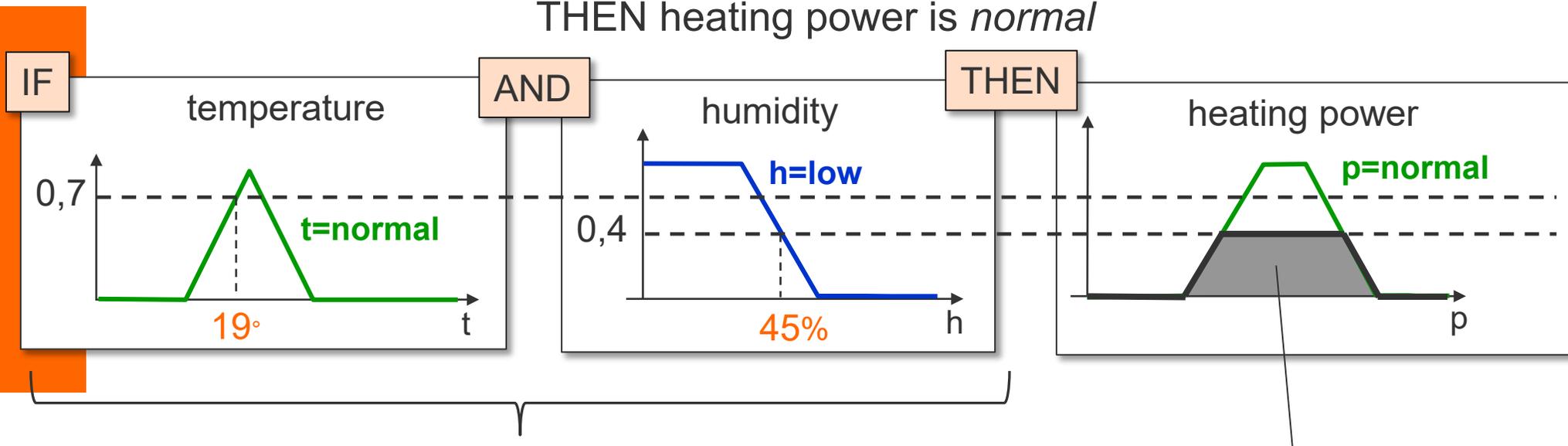
$$\mu_{h=low}(45\%) = 0.4$$

Min-Operator for AND: $\mu_{t=normal \wedge h=low}(19^\circ, 45\%) = \min\{0.7, 0.4\} = 0.4$

Rule Application: „Car heating system”

Step 2: Evaluate Consequents

Rule 2: IF temperature = *normal* AND humidity = *low*
THEN heating power is *normal*



Min-Operator for AND:

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Output fuzzy set:

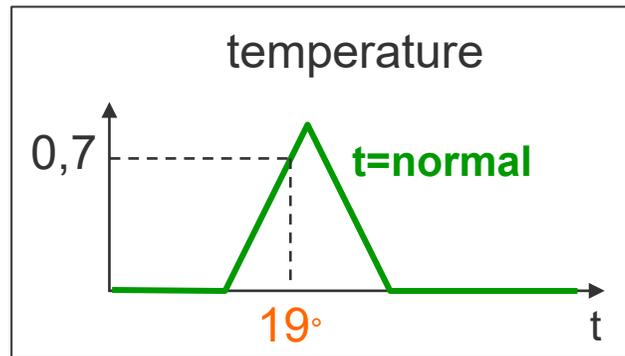
$$(\mu_{p=normal})_{0.4}$$



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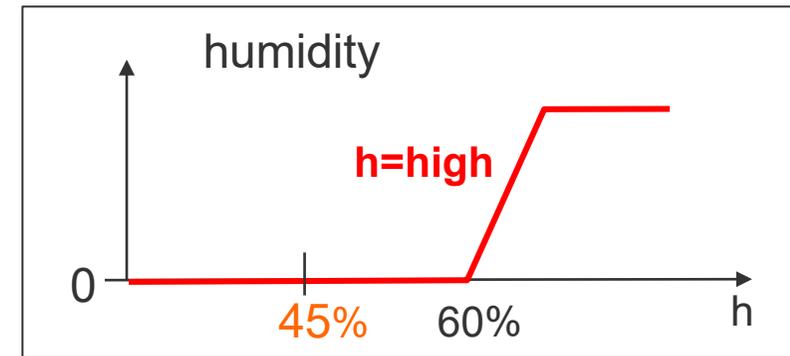
Step 1: Evaluate Antecedents

Rule 3: IF Temperature = *normal* AND humidity = *high*
THEN heating power is *high*



$$\mu_{t=normal}(19^\circ) = 0.7$$

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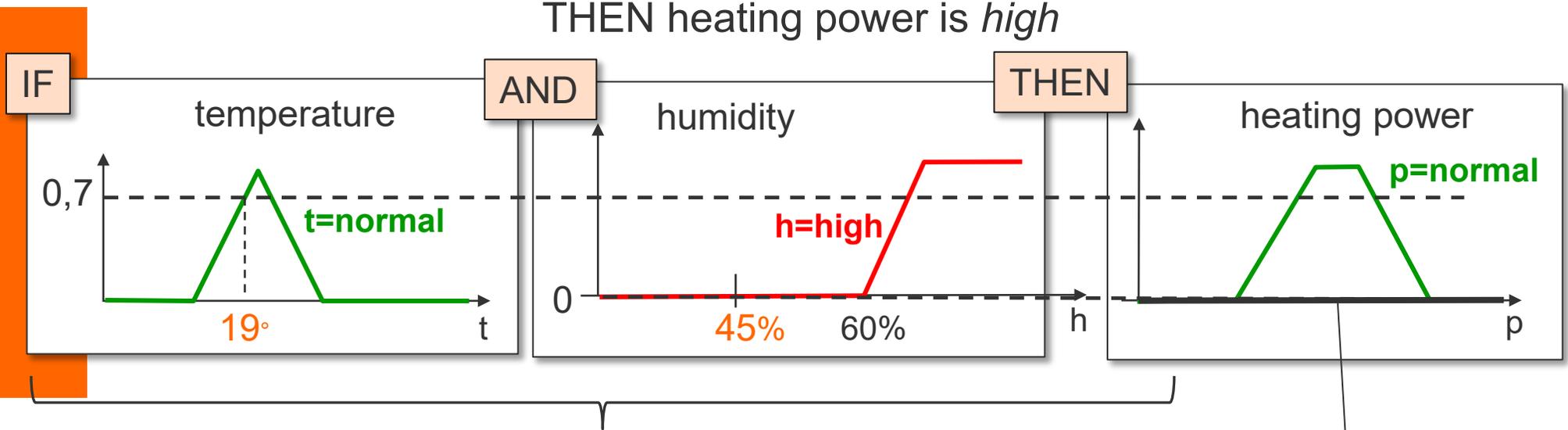
$$\mu_{h=high}(45\%) = 0$$

Min-Operator for AND: $\mu_{t=normal \wedge h=high}(19^\circ, 45\%) = \min\{0.7, 0\} = 0$

Rule Application: „Car heating system”

Step 2: Evaluate Consequents

Rule 3: IF Temperature = *normal* AND humidity = *high* THEN heating power is *high*



Min-Operator for AND:

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Output fuzzy set:

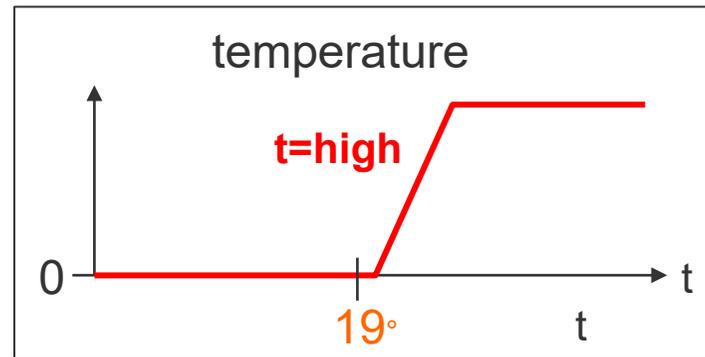
$$(\mu_{p=normal})_0 \equiv 0$$



Rule Application: „Car heating system”

Step 1: Evaluate Antecedents

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

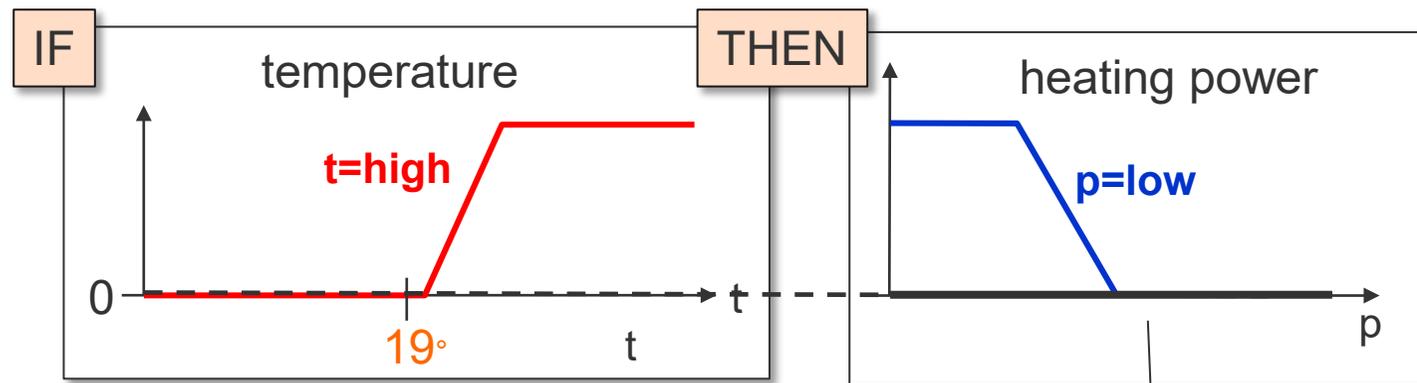


$$\mu_{t=high}(19^\circ) = 0$$

Rule Application: „Car heating system”

Step 2: Evaluate Consequents

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

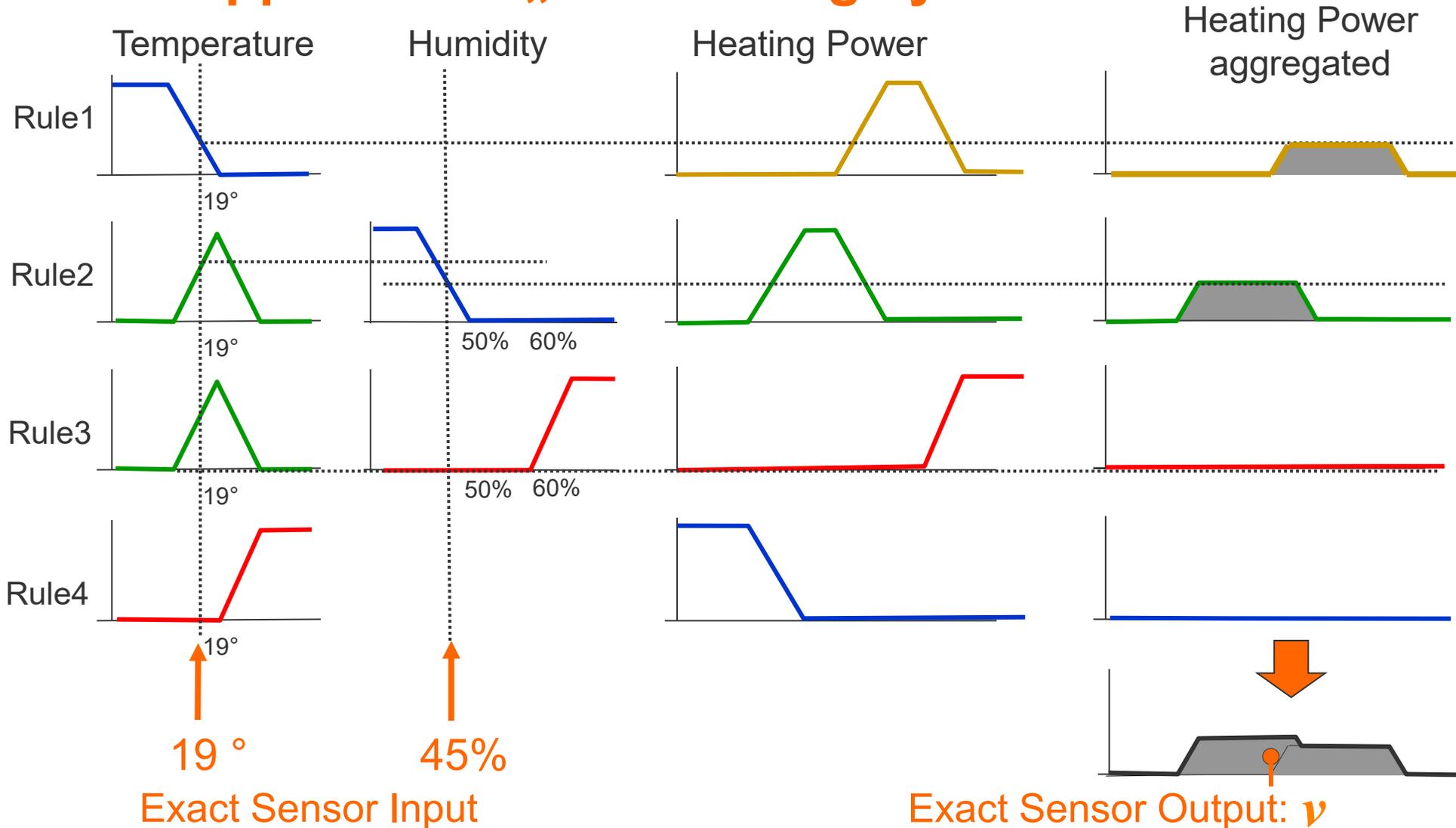


$$\mu_{t=high}(19^\circ) = 0$$

Output fuzzy set:

$$(\mu_{p=normal})_0 \equiv 0$$

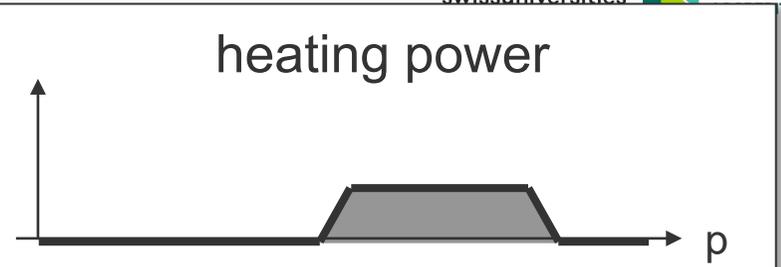
Rule Application: „Car heating system”



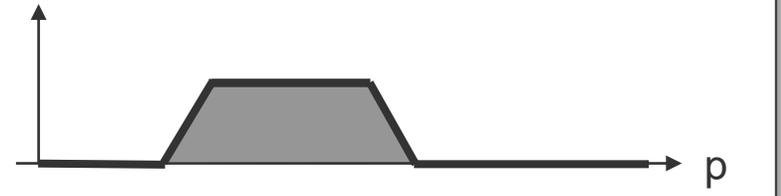
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Step 3: Aggregate
Evaluated
Consequents:

Output
Rule 1:



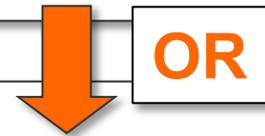
Output
Rule 2:



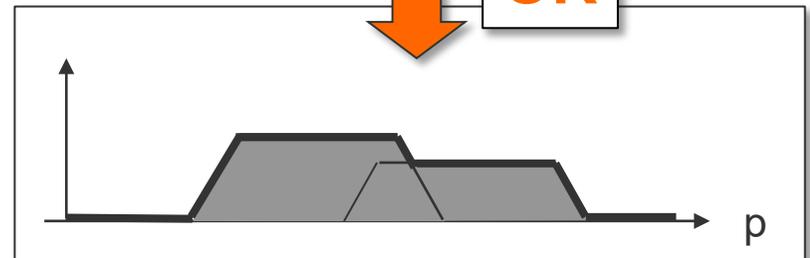
Output
Rule 3:



Output
Rule 4:



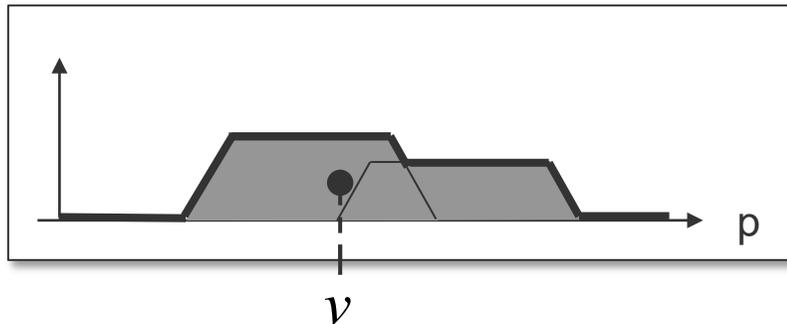
Aggregated
Output:



Rule Application: „Car heating system”

Step 4: Defuzzify aggregated output

Center of gravity method:



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

Rule Application: „Car heating system”

Main difference to exact reasoning:

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

