

# FUZZY EXPERT SYSTEM: IMPORTANCE AND APPLICATION

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# INTRODUCTION

- ◉ Experts rely on **common sense** when they solve problems.
- ◉ How can we represent expert knowledge that uses **vague** and **ambiguous** terms in a computer?
- ◉ Fuzzy logic is not logic that is fuzzy, but logic that is used to describe fuzziness.
- ◉ Fuzzy logic is the theory of fuzzy sets, sets that calibrate vagueness.
- ◉ Fuzzy logic is based on the idea that all things admit of degrees.

# FUZZY LOGIC

- ◉ What is fuzzy logic?
- ◉ Boolean logic uses **sharp distinctions**.
- ◉ Fuzzy logic reflects how people think. It attempts to model our sense of words, our decision making and our common sense. As a result, it is leading to new, more human, intelligent systems .



# WHY ??

## Why fuzzy?

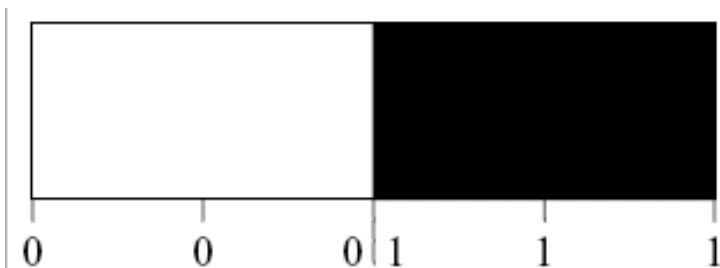
- ◉ As Zadeh said, the term is concrete, immediate and descriptive.

## Why logic?

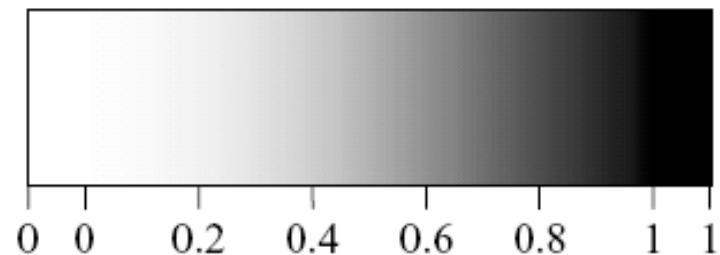
- ◉ Fuzziness rests on fuzzy set theory, and fuzzy logic is just a small part of that theory.
- ◉ Fuzzy logic is useful for commercial and practical purposes.
- ◉ It can control machines and consumer products. It may not give accurate reasoning, but acceptable reasoning.
- ◉ Fuzzy logic helps to deal with the uncertainty in engineering.

# DEFINITION

- ◉ Fuzzy logic is a set of mathematical principles for knowledge representation based on degrees of membership.
- ◉ Unlike two-valued Boolean logic, fuzzy logic is **multi-valued**.
- ◉ It deals with **degrees of membership** and degrees of truth.
- ◉ Fuzzy logic uses the **continuum** of logical values between 0 (completely false) and 1 (completely true).



(a) Boolean Logic.



(b) Multi-valued Logic.

# DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

- Specify the problem; define linguistic variables.
- Determine fuzzy sets.
- Elicit and construct fuzzy rules.
- Encode the fuzzy sets, fuzzy rules and procedures required to perform fuzzy inference into expert system.
- Evaluate and tune the system.

# LINGUISTIC VARIABLES AND HEDGES

- ◉ At the root of fuzzy set theory lies the idea of linguistic variables.
- ◉ A linguistic variable is a fuzzy variable. For example, the statement “John is tall” implies that the linguistic variable John takes the linguistic value tall.
- ◉ Example

IF                      wind is strong  
THEN    sailing is good





IF                      project\_duration is long  
THEN    completion\_risk is high

IF                      speed is slow  
THEN    stopping\_distance is short



# HEDGE

- ◉ A linguistic variable carries with it the concept of **fuzzy set qualifiers**, called **hedges**.
- ◉ Hedges are terms that modify the shape of fuzzy sets. They include adverbs such as very, somewhat, quite, more or less and slightly.

| <i>Hedge</i> | <i>Mathematical Expression</i> | <i>Graphical Representation</i>   |
|--------------|--------------------------------|---|
| A little     | $[\mu_A(x)]^{1.3}$             |    |
| Slightly     | $[\mu_A(x)]^{1.7}$             |   |
| Very         | $[\mu_A(x)]^2$                 |  |
| Extremely    | $[\mu_A(x)]^3$                 |  |

# OPERATIONS

- **Fuzzification**

Definition of fuzzy sets determination of the degree of membership of crisp inputs in appropriate fuzzy sets.

- **Inference**

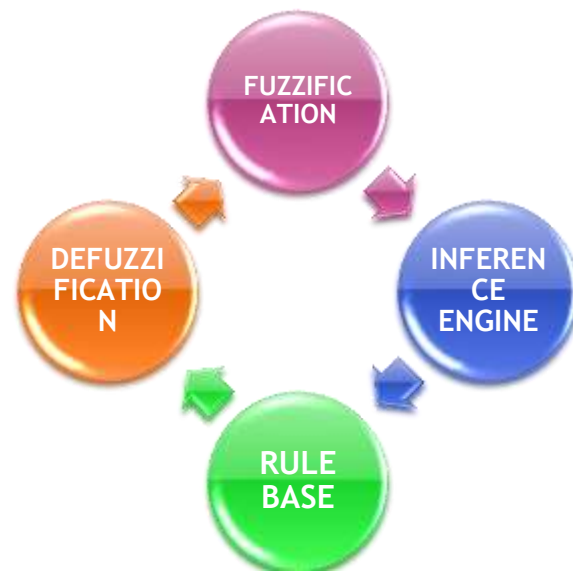
Evaluation of fuzzy rules to produce an output for each rule.

- **Compostion**

Aggregation or combination of the outputs of all rules.

- **Defuzzification**

Computation of crisp output.



# PROS AND CONS

## ◉ **PROS**

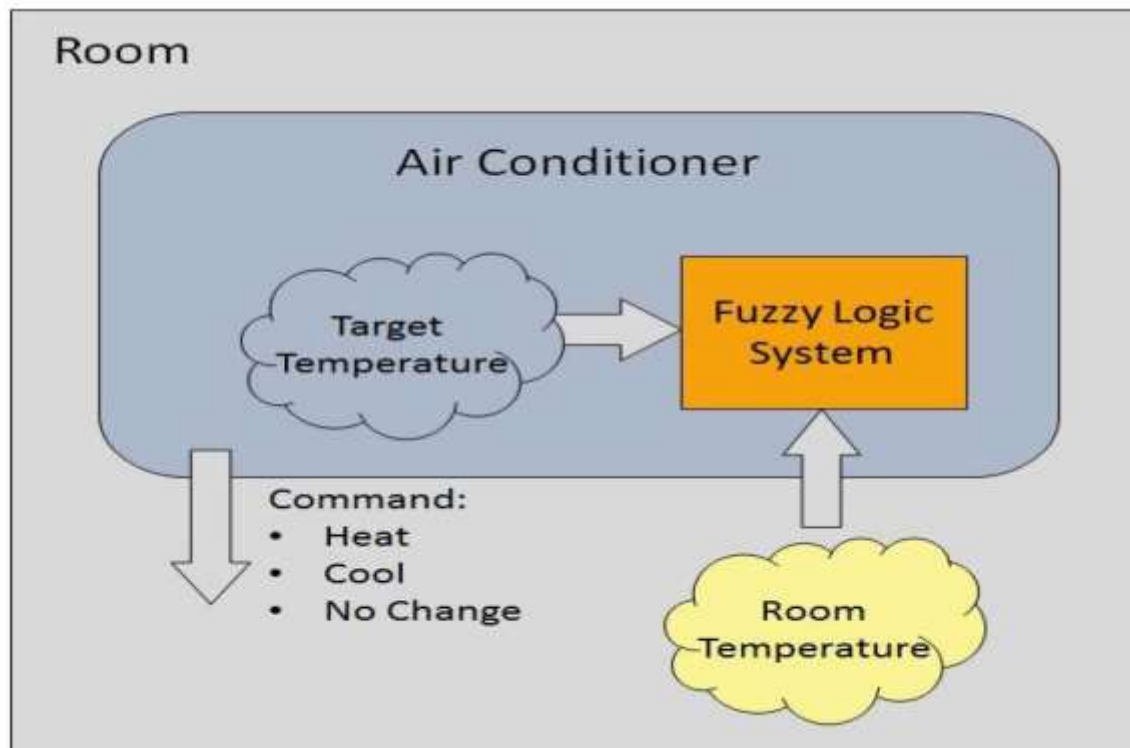
- Mathematical concepts within fuzzy reasoning are very simple.
- You can modify a FLS by just adding or deleting rules due to flexibility of fuzzy logic.
- Fuzzy logic Systems can take imprecise, distorted, noisy input information.
- FLSs are easy to construct and understand.
- Fuzzy logic is a solution to complex problems in all fields of life, including medicine, as it resembles human reasoning and decision making.

## ◉ **CONS**

- There is no systematic approach to fuzzy system designing.
- They are understandable only when simple. They are suitable for the problems which do not need high accuracy.

# EXAMPLE: AIR CONDITIONER

- Let us consider an air conditioning system with 5-level fuzzy logic system. This system adjusts the temperature of air conditioner by comparing the room temperature and the target temperature value.



# ALGORITHM

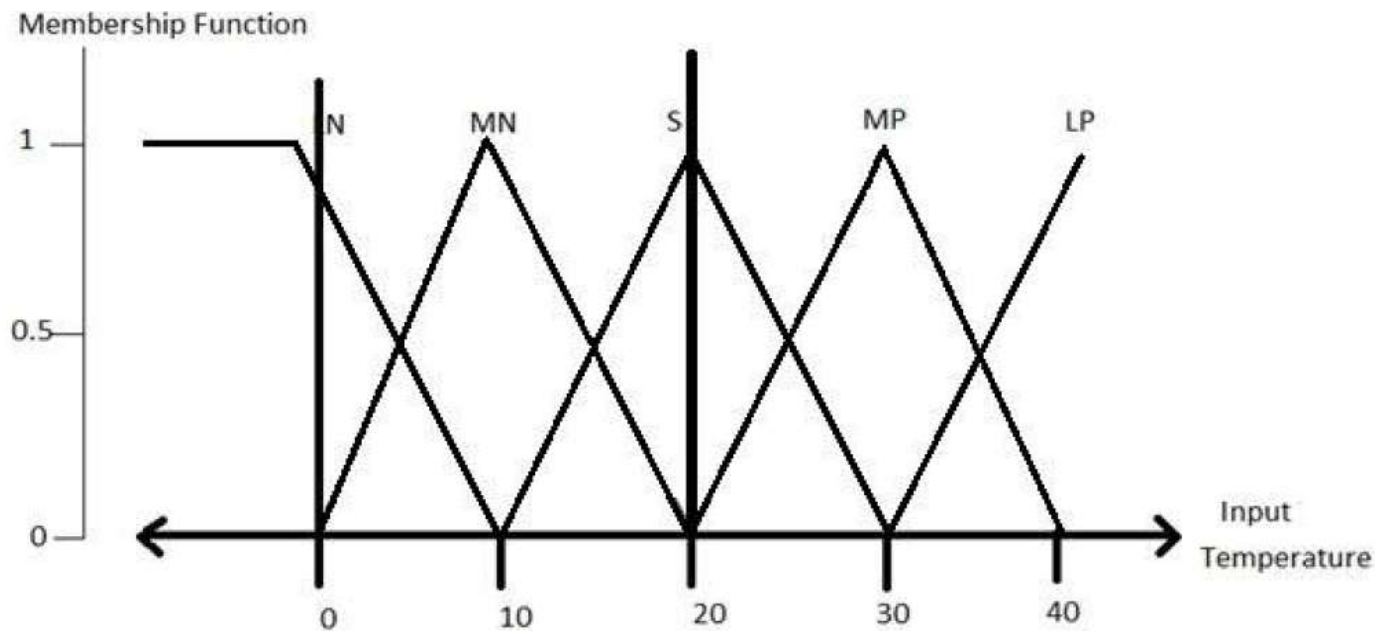
- ◉ Define linguistic variables and terms.
- ◉ Construct membership functions for them.
- ◉ Construct knowledge base of rules.
- ◉ Convert crisp data into fuzzy data sets using membership functions. *Fuzzification*
- ◉ Evaluate rules in the rule base. *Interfaceengine*  
Combine results from each rule. *Composition*
- ◉ Convert output data into non-fuzzy values.  
*Defuzzification*

# LOGIC DEVELOPMENT

- ◉ **Step 1: Define linguistic variables and terms**
  - Linguistic variables are input and output variables in the form of simple words or sentences. For room temperature, cold, warm, hot, etc., are linguistic terms.
  - Temperature  $t = \{\text{very-cold, cold, warm, very-warm, hot}\}$

# LOGIC DEVELOPMENT

- ◉ **Step 2: Construct membership functions for them**
- The membership functions of temperature variable are as shown –



# LOGIC DEVELOPMENT

- ◉ **Step3: Construct knowledge base rules**
  - Create a matrix of room temperature values versus target temperature values that an air conditioning system is expected to provide.

| RoomTemp.<br>/Target | Very_Cold | Cold      | Warm      | Hot       | Very_Hot  |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Very_Cold            | No_Change | Heat      | Heat      | Heat      | Heat      |
| Cold                 | Cool      | No_Change | Heat      | Heat      | Heat      |
| Warm                 | Cool      | Cool      | No_Change | Heat      | Heat      |
| Hot                  | Cool      | Cool      | Cool      | No_Change | Heat      |
| Very_Hot             | Cool      | Cool      | Cool      | Cool      | No_Change |



# LOGIC DEVELOPMENT

- Build a set of rules into the knowledge base in the form of IF-THEN-ELSE structures.

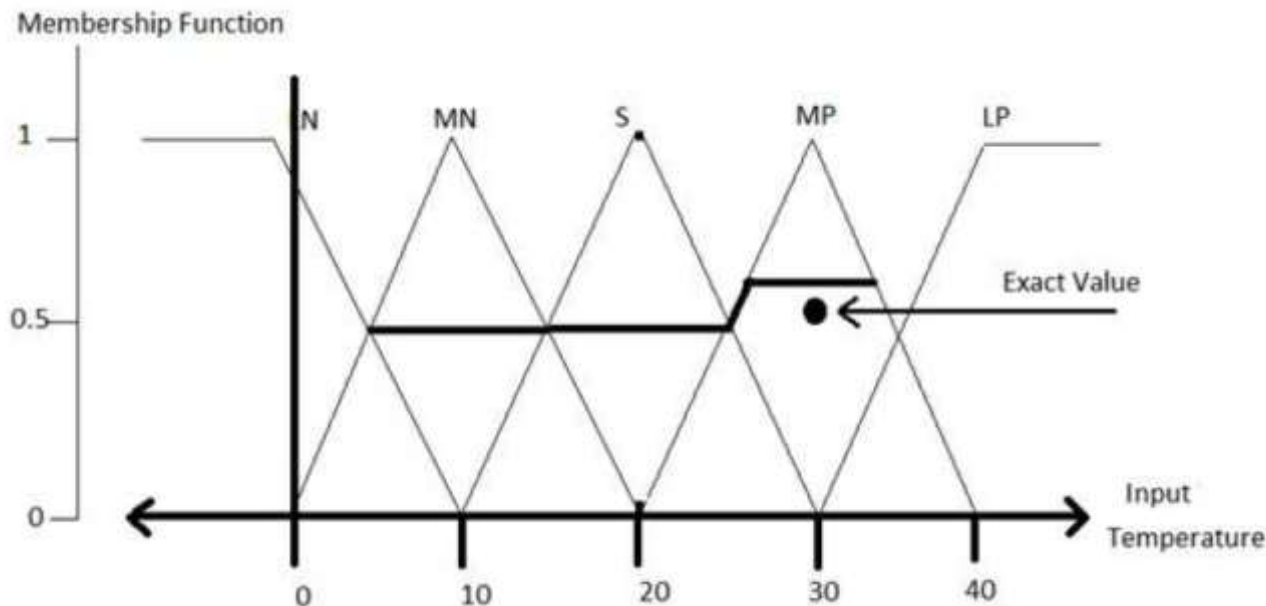
| Sr. No. | Condition   | Action    |
|---------|---|-----------|
| 1       | IF temperature= <i>ColdORVery<sub>C</sub>old</i> AND target=Warm THEN | Heat      |
| 2       | IF temperature= <i>HotORVery<sub>H</sub>ot</i> AND target=Warm THEN   | Cool      |
| 3       | IF <i>temperature = Warm</i> AND <i>target = Warm</i> THEN            | No_Change |

- Step 4: Obtain fuzzy value**
  - Fuzzy set operations perform evaluation of rules. The operations used for OR and AND are Max and Min respectively. Combine all results of evaluation to form a final result. This result is a fuzzy value.

# LOGIC DEVELOPMENT

## ◉ Step 5: Perform defuzzification

- Defuzzification is then performed according to membership function for output variable.



# APPLICABILITY

The key application areas of fuzzy logic are as given –

- ◉ **Automotive Systems**

- Automatic Gearboxes
- Four-Wheel Steering

- ◉ **Consumer Electronic Goods**

- Hi-Fi Systems
- Television

- ◉ **Domestic Goods**

- Microwave Ovens
- Refrigerators

- ◉ **Environment Control**

- Air Conditioners/Dryers/Heaters
- Humidifiers

