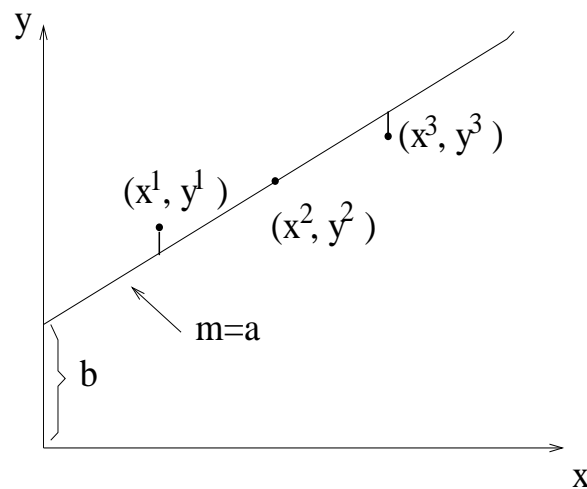


## §5 Fuzzy Regression Models

### Linear Regression Model

One factor

$$y = f(x) = ax + b$$



$$\underline{\varepsilon_j} \triangleq \underline{y^j} - \underline{(ax^j + b)}$$

observation   data   inferred

error   value   value

**Task**: Find  $a, b$  such that a criterion

based on total observation errors is minimized.

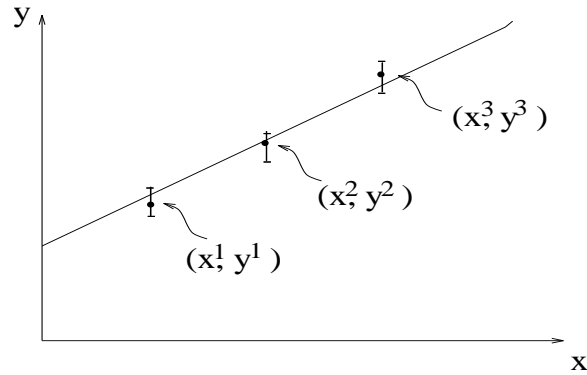
### **Underlying Assumption:**

The system is well-defined with no “ vagueness ”.

Therefore, its output is crisply determined by a linear function and any deviation is caused by the “ observation error” in data collection.

### **Fuzzy Regression Model:**

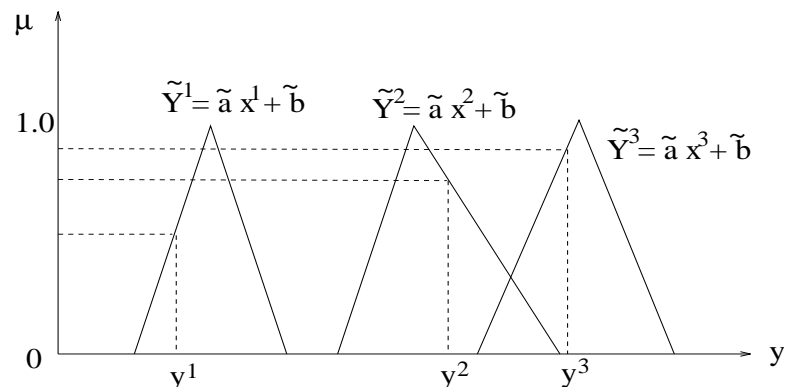
The underlying system has inherent vagueness which can cause many possible outputs to be observed. Our objective is to characterize this (linear) possibility system.



$$\tilde{Y} = \tilde{a}x + \tilde{b} \qquad y = ax + b$$

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fuzzy   fuzzy



**Task:** Find  $\tilde{a}, \tilde{b}$  with minimal spreads in  $\tilde{Y}^j$

such that

$$\mu_{\tilde{Y}^j}(y^j) \geq h \qquad j = 1, 2, 3$$

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preassigned possibility

## n-factor Linear Possibility System

$$\tilde{Y} = \tilde{A}_0 + \tilde{A}_1 x_1 + \cdots + \tilde{A}_n x_n$$

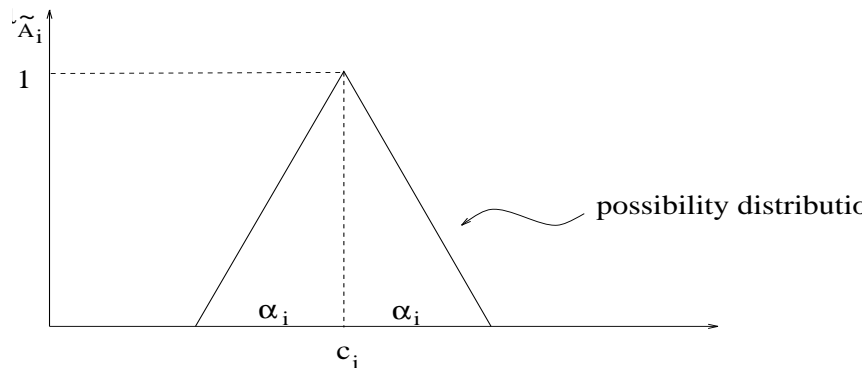
$\tilde{A}_i$ : fuzzy number

$$(m, \alpha, \beta)_{LR}$$

For simplicity, we take

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} m = c_i \\ \alpha = \beta = \alpha_i > 0 \\ L = R \end{array} \right\} \mu_{\tilde{A}_i}(x) = L((x - c_i)/\alpha_i)$$

### Example



$$\mu_{\tilde{A}_i}(x) = 1 - \frac{|x - c_i|}{\alpha_i}$$

In general:

$$(1) L(x) = L(-x)$$

$$(2) L(0) = 1, L(1) = 0$$

$$(3) L(x) \text{ strictly decreasing}$$

**Example:**

$$L_1(x) = \max\{0, 1 - |x|^p\}, \quad \text{for } p > 0$$

$$L_2(x) = e^{-|x|^p}, \quad \text{for } p > 0$$

$$L_3(x) = \frac{1}{1 + |x|^p}, \quad \text{for } p > 0$$

**Properties:**

$$\begin{aligned} (1) (c_1, \alpha_1)_L + (c_2, \alpha_2)_L \\ = (c_1 + c_2, \alpha_1 + \alpha_2)_L \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (2) (c_1, \alpha_1)_L - (c_2, \alpha_2)_L \\ = (c_1 - c_2, \alpha_1 - \alpha_2)_L \end{aligned}$$

$$(3) \lambda \cdot (c_1, \alpha_1)_L = (\lambda c_1, |\lambda| \alpha_1)_L$$

**Theorem:**

The membership function for the output of  
a linear possibility system

$$\tilde{Y} = \tilde{A}_0 + \tilde{A}_1 x_1 + \cdots + \tilde{A}_n x_n$$

with  $\tilde{A}_i = (c_i, \alpha_i)_L$

is given by

$$\mu_{\tilde{Y}}(y) = L((y - \sum_{i=0}^n x_i c_i) / \sum_{i=0}^n |x_i| \alpha_i)$$

where  $x_0 = 1$ .

**Observation:**

· Possibility distribution

$$(c_1, \alpha_1)_L x_1 + \cdots + (c_n, \alpha_n)_L x_n = (c^t x, \alpha^t | x|)_L$$

· Probability distribution

$$N(e_1, \sigma_1^2) x_1 + \cdots + N(e_n, \sigma_n^2) x_n = N(e^t x, (\sigma^2)^t x^2)$$

where  $|x| = (|x_1|, \cdots, |x_n|)^t$ ,  $x^2 = (x_1^2, \cdots, x_n^2)^t$

## Linear Possibility Regression Model

Regular Data Set ( n-factors, N points)

$$(x_1^1, x_2^1, \dots, x_n^1) \longrightarrow y^1$$

$$(x_1^2, x_2^2, \dots, x_n^2) \longrightarrow y^2$$

$$\vdots \qquad \qquad \qquad \vdots$$

$$(x_1^N, x_2^N, \dots, x_n^N) \longrightarrow y^N$$

- Linear Possibility system

$$\tilde{Y}^j = \tilde{A}_0 + \tilde{A}_1 x_1^j + \dots + \tilde{A}_n x_n^j, \quad j = 1, \dots, N$$

with  $\tilde{A}_i = (c_i, \alpha_i)_L$ , for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

- Given a required possibility level  $h$ ,

we want to have

$$\mu_{\tilde{Y}^j}(y^j) \geq h, \quad \text{for } j = 1, \dots, N$$

(The possibility of having observation  $y^j$  from

the inferred system is higher than  $h$ .)

- The total spread of the system outputs  $\{\tilde{Y}^j\}$

is

$$J(\alpha) = \sum_{j=1}^N (\sum_{i=0}^n |x_i^j| \alpha_i)$$

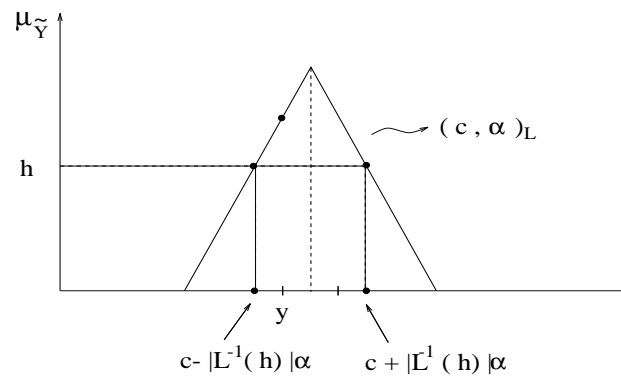
- Minimize $_{\alpha, c}$   $J(\alpha) = \sum_{j=1}^N (\sum_{i=0}^n |x_i^j| \alpha_i)$

$$\text{s.t. } \mu_{\tilde{Y}^j}(y^j) \geq h, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

$$\alpha_i \geq 0, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

$$c_i \in \mathbf{R}, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

- Note that





- Linear Fuzzy Regression

$$\min J(\alpha) = \sum_{j=1}^N (\sum_{i=0}^n |x_i^j| \alpha_i)$$

s.t.

$$y^j \leq \sum_{i=0}^n x_i^j c_i + |L^{-1}(h)| (\sum_{i=0}^n |x_i^j| \alpha_i) \\ j = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

$$y^j \geq \sum_{i=0}^n x_i^j c_i - |L^{-1}(h)| (\sum_{i=0}^n |x_i^j| \alpha_i) \\ j = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

$$\alpha_i \geq 0, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

$$c_i \in \mathbf{R}, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

- LP with  $2(n+1)$  variables ( $(n+1)$  free variables

and  $(n+1)$  non-negative variables) and  $2N$

explicit constraints.

**Observations:**

(1) For  $h = 1.0$ , the LP problem requires

that

$$y^j = \sum_{i=0}^n x_j^i c_i, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

When  $N > n + 1$ , LP may have no solution.

(2) However, for any  $h < 1.0$ , if  $\alpha_i$  is

large enough, the LP problem is always

feasible.

**Theorem:** Given data  $(y^j, x^j)$ , for  $0 \leq h < 1$ ,

the LP problem has an optimal solution

with

$$\tilde{A}_i^h = (c_i^h, \alpha_i^h)_L$$

**Example:** p.77, 78, 79, 80.

**Theorem** : Given  $\tilde{A}_i^h = (c_i^h, \alpha_i^h)_L$  is known,

for  $1 > h' \neq h$ , we have

$$\tilde{A}_i^{h'} = (c_i^h, \frac{L^{-1}(h)}{L^{-1}(h')} \alpha_i^h)_L$$