

Problem 1. Suppose that the state of "fast speed" of a machine is denoted by the fuzzy set F with membership function $\mu_F(v)$. Then the state of "very fast speed", where the linguistic hedge "very" has been incorporated, may be represented by $\mu_F(v-v_o)$ with $v_o > 0$. Also, the state "presumably fast speed", where the linguistic hedge "presumably" has been incorporated, may be represented by $\mu_F^2(v)$.

(a) Discuss the appropriateness of the use of these membership functions to represent the respective linguistic hedges.

(b) In particular, if

$$F = \left\{ \frac{0.1}{10}, \frac{0.3}{20}, \frac{0.6}{30}, \frac{0.8}{40}, \frac{1.0}{50}, \frac{0.7}{60}, \frac{0.5}{70}, \frac{0.3}{80}, \frac{0.1}{90} \right\}$$

in the discrete universe $V = \{0, 10, 20, \dots, 190, 200\}$ rev/s and $v_o = 50$ rev/s, determine the membership functions of "very fast speed" and "presumably fast speed". Display both membership functions over the discrete Universe V .

Problem 2. Sketch the membership function $\mu_A(x) = e^{-\lambda(x-a)^n}$ for $\lambda = 2$, $n = 2$, and $a = 3$ for the support set $S = [0, 6]$. On this sketch separately show the shaded areas that represent the following fuzziness measures given by M_1 , M_2 and M_3 :

$$(a) \quad M_1 = \int_S f(x) dx \quad \text{where} \quad \begin{aligned} f(x) &= \mu_A(x) && \text{for } \mu_A(x) \leq 0.5 \\ &= 1 - \mu_A(x) && \text{for } \mu_A(x) > 0.5 \end{aligned}$$

$$(b) \quad M_2 = \int_S |\mu_A(x) - \mu_{A_{1/2}}(x)| dx$$

where $\mu_{A_{1/2}}$ is the α -cut of $\mu_A(x)$ for $\alpha = 1/2$

$$(c) \quad M_3 = \int_S |\mu_A(x) - \mu_{\bar{A}}(x)| dx$$

where \bar{A} is the complement of the fuzzy set A . Evaluate the values of M_1 , M_2 and M_3 for the given membership function.

- i. Establish relationships between M_1 , M_2 and M_3 .
- ii. Indicate how these measures can be used to represent the degree of fuzziness of a membership function.
- iii. Compare your results with the case $\lambda = 1$, $a = 3$, and $n = 2$ for the same support set, by showing the corresponding fuzziness measures on a sketch of the new membership function.

Problem 3. The characteristic function χ_A of a crisp set A is analogous to the membership function of a fuzzy set, and is defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\chi_A(x) &= 1 \text{ if } x \in A \\ &= 0 \text{ otherwise}\end{aligned}$$

Using isomorphism of crisp sets and binary logic, show that

$$\chi_{A'} = 1 - \chi_A$$

$$\chi_{A \cup B} = \max(\chi_A, \chi_B)$$

$$\chi_{A \cap B} = \min(\chi_A, \chi_B)$$

$$\chi_{A \rightarrow B}(x, y) = \min[1, \{1 - \chi_A(x) + \chi_B(y)\}]$$

where A and B are defined in the same universe X , except in the last case (implication) where A and B may be defined in two different universes X and Y .

What are the implications of these results?

Problem 4. Show that $\max[0, x + y - 1]$ is a t-norm. Also, determine the corresponding t-conorm (i.e., s-norm). *Hint:* Show that the non-decreasing, commutative, and associative properties and the boundary conditions are satisfied.