# G53FUZ Fuzzy Sets and Systems

**Mamdani Inference and Defuzzification** 

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Inferencing Principles

## Overview

- Inferencing principles
  - standard logical implication and inference
  - production rule inference
- Mamdani inference
  - process
  - worked examples
- Defuzzification
  - numeric defuzzification
  - linguistic defuzzification

# **Definition of Logical Implication**

 Logical implication can be defined in terms of other primitives

$$-(p \Rightarrow q) \equiv ((\neg p) \lor q)$$

• Or as a truth table

р	q	$\neg p$	$p \wedge q$	$p \vee q$	$p \Rightarrow q$
F	F	Т	F	F	Т
T	F	F	F	Τ	F
F	Τ	T	F	Τ	Τ
T	Τ	F	Τ	Τ	Τ

# Logical Inference

- Modus ponens
  - $-p \Rightarrow q, p; q$
  - $-((p \Rightarrow q) \land p) \perp q$
  - IF p THEN q; p is TRUE; hence q is TRUE
  - IF p THEN q; p is FALSE; hence q is ???
    - we will return to this question later
- Modus tollens
  - $-((p \Rightarrow q) \land \neg q) \perp \neg p$
  - IF p THEN q; q is FALSE; hence p is FALSE

#### **If-Then Rules**

- Inference is performed by utilising a set of rules connecting premises to conclusions
  - premise (if part) is called the antecedent(s)
  - conclusion (then part) is called the consequent(s)
- These rules are similar to the production rules of expert systems
- Inference is simplified by putting aside formal considerations of logical implication

# Example

- IF raining THEN cloudy
  - modus ponens
    - it is raining: it must be cloudy
  - modus tollens
    - it is not cloudy: it is not raining
  - incorrect inference
    - it is not raining: it is not cloudy
  - correct inference
    - $((F \Rightarrow F): T) \text{ AND } ((F \Rightarrow T): T)$
    - it is not raining: it may or may not be cloudy

#### **If-Then Rules**

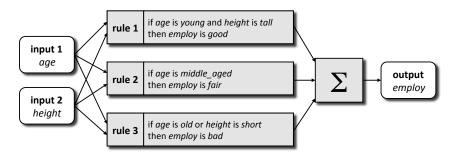
- Essential operation
  - each of the antecedent(s) is evaluated to a number
     in [0, 1] and combined into a single number
    - the truth of the rule premise
  - each of the consequent(s) is considered to be true to the same degree as the premise
- IF p THEN q
  - -p is **true**, hence q is **true**
  - -p is half true, hence q is half true
  - -p is **not true**, hence q is **not true**!

#### Does This Make Sense?

- IF p THEN q; p is FALSE, hence q is FALSE
  - IF it is raining THEN it is cloudy
  - it is NOT raining
  - hence it is NOT cloudy!?
    - NO: logically, you have no evidence to support the conclusion one way or another
- We need to specify alternative antecedents
  - IF it is NOT raining THEN it may be cloudy

Mamdani Inference Overview

## Outline



- 1. Fuzzify inputs
- 4. Aggregate output
- 2. Combine inputs
- 5. (Defuzzify)
- 3. Perform implication

# Background

- Mamdani introduced the first successful form of fuzzy inferencing in 1975
  - E.H. Mamdani and S. Assilian
    - "An experiment in linguistic synthesis with a fuzzy logic controller"; International Journal of Man-Machine Studies; Vol. 7, No. 1, pp. 1-13, 1975
- The fuzzy system was developed to control kiln temperature in a cement factory
  - it is based on pragmatic considerations rather than any theoretical correctness

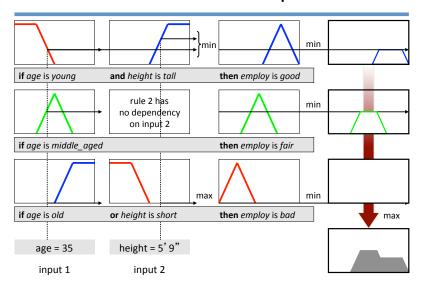
# Methodology

- · Comprises a set of rules of the form
  - IF x is A [AND/OR y is B ...] THEN z is C
  - IF crisp\_input matches fuzzy\_input\_term AND/OR ...THEN add fuzzy output term to fuzzy output
- For each rule
  - for each antecedent
    - evaluate m.f. ( $\mu$ ) of the crisp input value at the fuzzy term
  - combine all  $\mu$  using appropriate fuzzy operator
  - fire the consequence at strength of resultant truth
    - add the output term to a (fuzzy) output set
- Interpret the output set in some way

## **Example: Variables**

- Age
  - -young = 1/0 + 1/10 + .75/20 + .5/30 + .25/40
  - $middle_aged = 0/30 + .5/40 + 1/50 + .5/60 + 0/70$
  - old = .25/60 + .5/70 + .75/80 + 1/90 + 1/100
- Height
  - short = 1/1.4 + .75/1.5 + .5/1.6 + .25/1.7 + 0/1.8
  - tall = .25/1.6 + .5/1.7 + .75/1.8 + 1/1.9 + 1/2.0
- Employ
  - bad = 0/0 + .5/1 + 1/2 + .5/3 + 0/4
  - fair = 0/3 + .5/4 + 1/5 + .5/6 + 0/7
  - -good = 0/6 + .5/7 + 1/8 + .5/9 + 0/10

# Mamdani Example



## Example: Rules

- Three rules
  - IF Age is young AND Height is tall THEN Employ is good
  - IF Age is middle\_aged THEN Employ is fair
  - IF Age is old OR Height is short THEN Employ is bad
- Inputs
  - Age = 40 (years)
  - Height = 1.8 (metres)

## Rule 1

- Antecedent 1
  - Age is young:  $\mu_{young}(40) = 0.25$
- Antecedent 2
  - *Height* is *tall*:  $\mu_{tall}(1.8) = 0.75$
- Rule strength = Ante<sub>1</sub> AND Ante<sub>2</sub>
  - $-\min(0.25, 0.75) = 0.25$
- Consequent
  - Employ is good
    - min(0.25, 0/6 + .5/7 + 1/8 + .5/9 + 0/10)
    - 0/6 + 0.25/7 + 0.25/8 + 0.25/9 + 0/10

#### Rule 3

- Antecedent 1
  - $Age \text{ is old: } \mu_{old}(40) = 0$
- Antecedent 2
  - Height is short:  $\mu_{short}(1.8) = 0$
- Rule strength = Ante<sub>1</sub> OR Ante<sub>2</sub>
  - $-\max(0,0)=0$
- Consequent
  - Employ is bad
    - min(0.0, 0/0 + .5/1 + 1/2 + .5/3 + 0/4)
    - 0/0 + 0/1 + 0/2 + 0/3 + 0/4

#### Rule 2

- Antecedent 1
  - Age is middle\_aged:  $\mu_{middle\_aged}(40) = 0.5$
- Antecedent 2
  - BLANK
- Rule strength = Ante<sub>1</sub>
  - -0.5
- Consequent
  - Employ is fair
    - min(0.5, 0/3 + .5/4 + 1/5 + .5/6 + 0/7)
    - 0/3 + 0.5/4 + 0.5/5 + 0.5/6 + 0/7

#### **Rule Combination**

- The three rule results
  - $-R_1: 0/6 + 0.25/7 + 0.25/8 + 0.25/9 + 0/10$
  - $R_2: 0/3 + 0.5/4 + 0.5/5 + 0.5/6 + 0/7$
  - $-R_3: 0/0 + 0/1 + 0/2 + 0/3 + 0/4$
- Rule combination
  - $\max(R_1, R_2, R_3)$
  - $\max(0/6 + 0.25/7 + 0.25/8 + 0.25/9 + 0/10, 0/3 + 0.5/4 + 0.5/5 + 0.5/6 + 0/7, 0/0 + 0/1 + 0/2 + 0/3 + 0/4)$
  - $\max(0)/0 + \max(0)/1 + \max(0)/2 + \max(0,0)/3 + \max(.5,0)/4 + \max(.5)/5 + \max(.5)/6 + \max(.25,0)/7 + \max(.25)/8 + \max(.25)/9 + \max(0)/10$
  - -0/0+0/1+0/2+0/3+.5/4+.5/5+.5/6+.25/7+.25/8+.25/9+0/10

## **Operators**

- Mamdani inference features union and intersection operators, both in two places
  - intersection
    - combining antecedents joined by AND
    - implication operator to derive each consequent
  - union
    - · combining antecedants joined by OR
    - operator used to combine all consequents overall
- Operator families should be used consistently
  - in practice, often AND-OR pair is varied independently of implication/combination

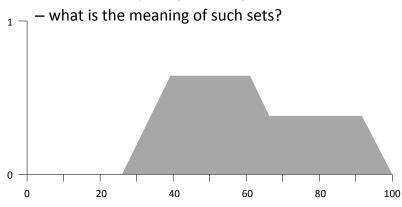
## Defuzzification

- In general, the result of Mamdani inference is a complex output fuzzy set
  - what does this mean?
- Often, for example in Mamdani's case, a single (crisp) number is required for output
  - the fuzzy output set is converted to a number
  - this process is termed defuzzification
- Mamdani chose to use a method whereby the centre of the area under the output set is used
  - this is called the *centroid* or *centre-of-gravity*

#### Defuzzification

## The Problem

 The result of Mamdani inference is one or more arbitrary output fuzzy set(s)

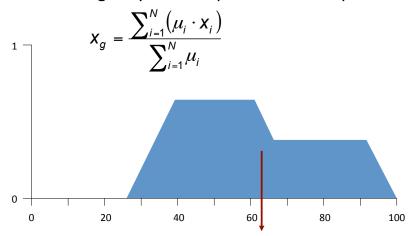


## Defuzzification

- There are two principal forms of defuzzification
  - numeric defuzzification
  - linguistic defuzzification
- Numeric defuzzification
  - often, a single (crisp) number is required as output
    - · e.g. fuzzy control
  - there are many different options
    - COG (centroid), mean-of-maxima, centre-of-area
- Linguistic defuzzification
  - a linguistic term representing the output set is found
  - some form of similarity or distance metric used

# Centre of Gravity

• The imaginary balance point of the shape



# Numeric Defuzzification

## Example

• Recall, our actual output set

Centroid

$$= .5*4 + .5*5 + .5*6 + .25*7 + .25*8 + .25*9$$

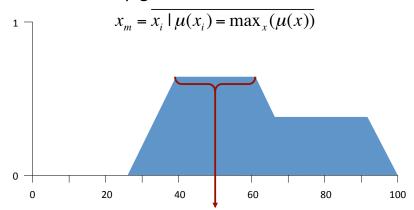
$$.5 + .5 + .5 + .25 + .25 + .25$$

$$= 13.5 / 2.25$$

$$= 6$$

## Mean of Maxima

• The mean of the x's which attain the maximal membership grade



# Example

• Recall, our actual output set

Mean of Maxima

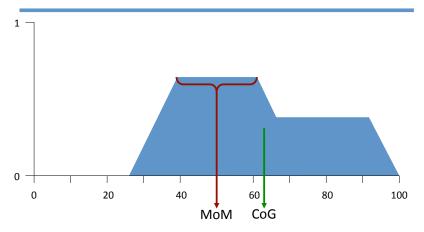
$$- \max(\mu) = 0.5$$

$$- x(\mu = 0.5) = \{ 4, 5, 6 \}$$

$$- \max(4,5,6)$$

$$= 5$$

# Comparison



# Smallest/Largest of Maxima

• The smallest or largest of x's with the maximal grade

# Example

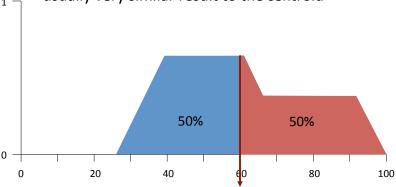
- Recall, our actual output set
  - -0/0 + 0/1 + 0/2 + 0/3 + .5/4 + .5/5 + .5/6 + .25/7 + .25/8 + .25/9 + 0/10
  - -.5/4 + .5/5 + .5/6 + .25/7 + .25/8 + .25/9
- Smallest of Maxima
  - $-\min(4,5,6) = 4$
- Largest of Maxima
  - $-\max(4,5,6)=6$

# Example

- Recall, our actual output set
  - -0/0 + 0/1 + 0/2 + 0/3 + .5/4 + .5/5 + .5/6 + .25/7 + .25/8 + .25/9 + 0/10
  - -.5/4 + .5/5 + .5/6 + .25/7 + .25/8 + .25/9
- Bisector
  - area = 2.25; half-area = 1.125
  - bisector = 5 + (0.125 / 0.5) + 0.5
  - bisector = 5.75 ?
  - no simple formula for bisector

#### **Bisector**

- The value of x which splits the total area into two equal subareas
- $_{\neg}$  usually very similar result to the  $\emph{centroid}$

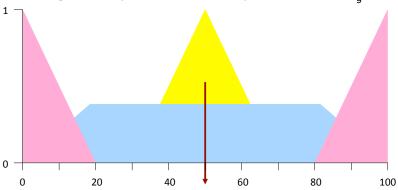


## **Problems**

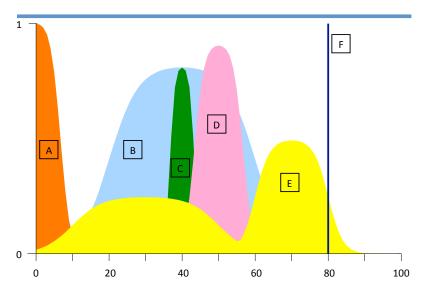
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# **Problems**

- Information is lost
  - this is inevitable when reducing to a single number
  - e.g. these quite different shapes have same  $x_a$



## Metrics Illustrated



## **Other Metrics**

- Membership grade at defuzzification point  $(\mu_g)$  provides an indication of confidence in the result
- Maximum membership grade ( $\mu_h$ , height) — provides a direct measure of strength of rules fired
- Normalised area

$$A = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} \mu_i}{N}$$

Fuzzy entropy

$$S = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} \left(-\mu_{i} \ln(\mu_{i}) - (1 - \mu_{i}) \ln(1 - \mu_{i})\right)}{N}$$

## **Metric Values**

set	$x_g$	$\mu_g$	$\mu_h$	Α	S
А	3	0.95	1.00	0.07	0.06
В	40	0.80	0.80	0.32	0.50
С	40	0.80	0.80	0.05	0.08
D	50	0.90	0.90	0.12	0.15
E	50	0.16	0.50	0.19	0.60
F (singleton)	80	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00
unknown 1.0/x	50	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00
indeterm. 0.5/x	50	0.50	0.50	0.50	1.00
undefined 0/x	50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

# Linguistic Defuzzification

# **Similarity Measures**

• Euclidean distance

$$\delta^2 = \sum_{i=1}^N (\mu_i - \eta_i)^2$$

- where  $\eta_i$  is membership grade of linguistic term
- minimum will determine the best match
- Degree of overlap

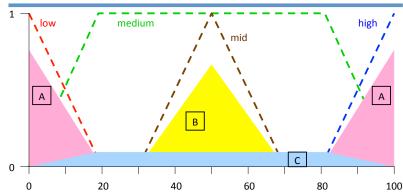
$$\gamma = \frac{|A \cap B|}{|A \cup B|}$$

- maximum will determine the best match

# **Linguistic Approximation**

- A similarity measure is used to compute the distance between
  - the actual output set
  - the set of all terms of the linguistic variable
    - collection of primitive terms, connectives and hedges
- Search to find the best term while limiting the complexity to produce comprehensible output
  - e.g. medium or high may be preferred to not extremely low or fairly medium or fairly high
- Special level sets may also be included in search

# **Examples**



- A is best approximated by low or high
- B is best approximated by mid
- C is best approximated by undefined (0/x)

# Example - Sets

Recall, our output set

$$-.5/4 + .5/5 + .5/6 + .25/7 + .25/8 + .25/9$$

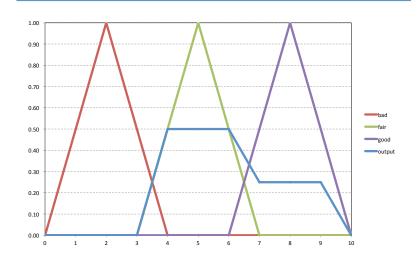
- Recall, the output sets for Employ
  - -bad = 0/0 + .5/1 + 1/2 + .5/3 + 0/4
  - fair = 0/3 + .5/4 + 1/5 + .5/6 + 0/7
  - -good = 0/6 + .5/7 + 1/8 + .5/9 + 0/10
- And, three level sets
  - undefined= 0/0 + 0/1 + 0/2 + ... + 0/8 + 0/9 + 0/10
  - indeterminate = .5/0 + .5/1 + .5/2 + ... + .5/8 + .5/9 + .5/10
  - unknown = 1/0 + 1/1 + 1/2 + ... + 1/8 + 1/9 + 1/10

# Example - Similarities

X	output	bad	dist(bad)	fair	dist(fair)	good	dist(good)	undefined	d(undefined)	indet.	d(indet.)	unknown	d(unknown)
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.25	1.00	1.00
1	0.00	0.50	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.25	1.00	1.00
2	0.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.25	1.00	1.00
3	0.00	0.50	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.25	1.00	1.00
4	0.50	0.00	0.25	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.25	0.00	0.25	0.50	0.00	1.00	0.25
5	0.50	0.00	0.25	1.00	0.25	0.00	0.25	0.00	0.25	0.50	0.00	1.00	0.25
6	0.50	0.00	0.25	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.25	0.00	0.25	0.50	0.00	1.00	0.25
7	0.25	0.00	0.06	0.00	0.06	0.50	0.06	0.00	0.06	0.50	0.06	1.00	0.56
8	0.25	0.00	0.06	0.00	0.06	1.00	0.56	0.00	0.06	0.50	0.06	1.00	0.56
9	0.25	0.00	0.06	0.00	0.06	0.50	0.06	0.00	0.06	0.50	0.06	1.00	0.56
10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.25	1.00	1.00
		Σ	2.44		0.44		1.44		0.94		1.44		7.44

• The best linguistic match is 'fair'

# Example - Plots



## Summary

- Lecture summary
  - Mamdani inference uses a heuristic approximation of inference, inspired by production rules
  - with reasonable choices of variables, terms and rules, it produces reasonable results
  - defuzzification is required as the output is fuzzy
    - there are alternative numeric and linguistic methods
    - no defuzzification technique is 'correct'
- Next lecture
  - Sugeno inference