

**Artificial Intelligence**

Fuzzy Logic

# **Lesson 2:**

# **Theory of Fuzzy Logic**

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# The Extension Principle

## Motivation (1)

- How to extend  $\phi : X^n \rightarrow Y$  to  $\hat{\phi} : \mathcal{F}(X)^n \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(Y)$ ?  
From functions defined on sets to functions defined on fuzzy sets
- Let  $\mu \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R})$  be a fuzzy set of the imprecise concept “about 2”

Then the degree of membership  $\mu(2.2)$  can be seen as truth value of the statement “2.2 is about equal to 2”

Let  $\mu' \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R})$  be a fuzzy set of the imprecise concept “old”

Then the truth value of “2.2 is about equal 2 and 2.2 is old” can be seen as membership degree of 2.2 w.r.t. imprecise concept “about 2 and old”

## Motivation (2): Operating on Truth Values

- Any triangular norm (t-norm)  $\top$  can be used to represent conjunction
- Any triangular co-norm (t-conorm)  $\perp$  can be used to represent disjunction
- However, now only  $\top_{\min}$  and  $\perp_{\max}$  will be used
- Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be set of imprecise statements that can be combined by the operators “and” and “or”:
  - $\text{truth}:\mathcal{P} \rightarrow [0, 1]$  assigns truth value  $\text{truth}(a)$  to every  $a \in \mathcal{P}$
  - $\text{truth}(a) = 0$  means  $a$  is definitely false
  - $\text{truth}(a) = 1$  means  $a$  is definitely true
  - If  $0 < \text{truth}(a) < 1$ , then only gradual truth of statement  $a$

## Motivation (3): Extension Principle

- Combination of two statements  $a, b \in \mathcal{P}$ 
  - $\text{truth}(a \text{ and } b) = \text{truth}(a \wedge b) = \min\{\text{truth}(a), \text{truth}(b)\}$
  - $\text{truth}(a \text{ or } b) = \text{truth}(a \vee b) = \max\{\text{truth}(a), \text{truth}(b)\}$
- For infinite number of statements  $a_i, i \in I$ :
  - $\text{truth}(\forall i \in I : a_i) = \inf \{\text{truth}(a_i) \mid i \in I\}$
  - $\text{truth}(\exists i \in I : a_i) = \sup \{\text{truth}(a_i) \mid i \in I\}$
- This concept helps to extend  $\phi : X^n \rightarrow Y$  to  $\hat{\phi} : \mathcal{F}(X)^n \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(Y)$
- Crisp tuple  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  is mapped to crisp value  $\phi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$
- Imprecise descriptions  $(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n)$  of  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  are mapped to fuzzy value  $\hat{\phi}(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n)$

# Example:

## How to extend the addition? (1)

- $+: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, (a, b) \mapsto a + b$
- Extensions to sets:

$$+: 2^{\mathbb{R}} \times 2^{\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow 2^{\mathbb{R}}$$

$$(A, B) \mapsto A + B$$

$$= \{y \mid (\exists a)(\exists b)(y = a + b) \wedge (a \in A) \wedge (b \in B)\}$$

- Extensions to fuzzy sets:

$$+: \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}) \times \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}), (\mu_1, \mu_2) \mapsto \mu_1 \oplus \mu_2$$

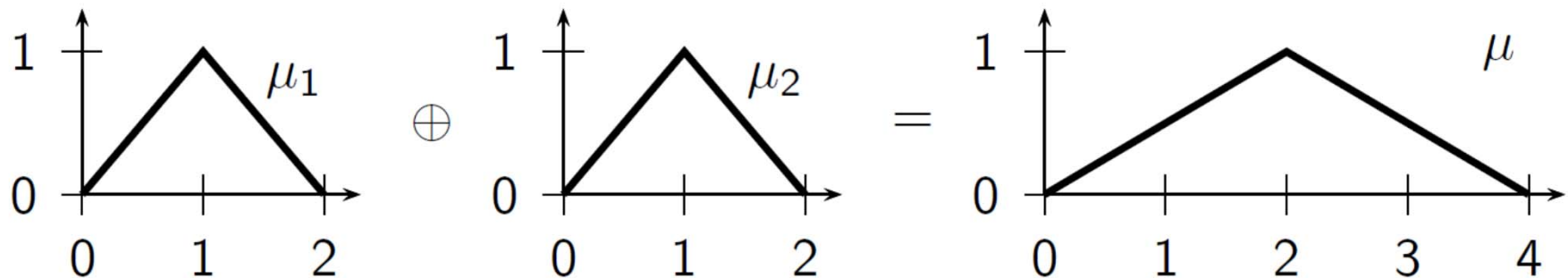
$$\text{truth}(y \in \mu_1 \oplus \mu_2)$$

$$= \text{truth}((\exists a)(\exists b) : (y = a + b) \wedge (a \in \mu_1) \wedge (b \in \mu_2))$$

$$= \sup_{a,b} \{\text{truth}(y = a + b) \wedge \text{truth}(a \in \mu_1) \wedge \text{truth}(b \in \mu_2)\}$$

$$= \sup_{a,b:y=a+b} \{\min(\mu_1(a), \mu_2(b))\}$$

## Example: How to extend the addition? (2)



- $\mu(2) = 1$  because  $\mu_1(1) = 1$  and  $\mu_2(1) = 1$
- $\mu(5) = 0$  because if  $a + b = 5$ ,  
then  $\min\{\mu_1(a), \mu_2(b)\} = 0$
- $\mu(1) = 0.5$  because e.g.  $a = 0.5$  and  $b = 0.5$



# Extension to Sets

- Definition

Let  $\phi : X^n \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping

The extension  $\hat{\phi}$  of  $\phi$  is given by

$\hat{\phi} : [2^X]^n \rightarrow 2^Y$  with

$$\hat{\phi}(A_1, \dots, A_n) = \{y \in Y \mid \exists (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in A_1 \times \dots \times A_n : \phi(x_1, \dots, x_n) = y\}$$

# Extension to Fuzzy Sets

- Definition

Let  $\phi : X^n \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping

The extension  $\hat{\phi}$  of  $\phi$  is given by

$\hat{\phi} : [\mathcal{F}(X)]^n \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(Y)$  with

$$\hat{\phi}(A_1, \dots, A_n) = \sup \{ \min \{ \mu_1(x_1), \dots, \mu_n(x_n) \} \mid \\ (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in X^n \wedge \phi(x_1, \dots, x_n) = y \}$$

assuming that  $\sup \emptyset = 0$

## Example (1)

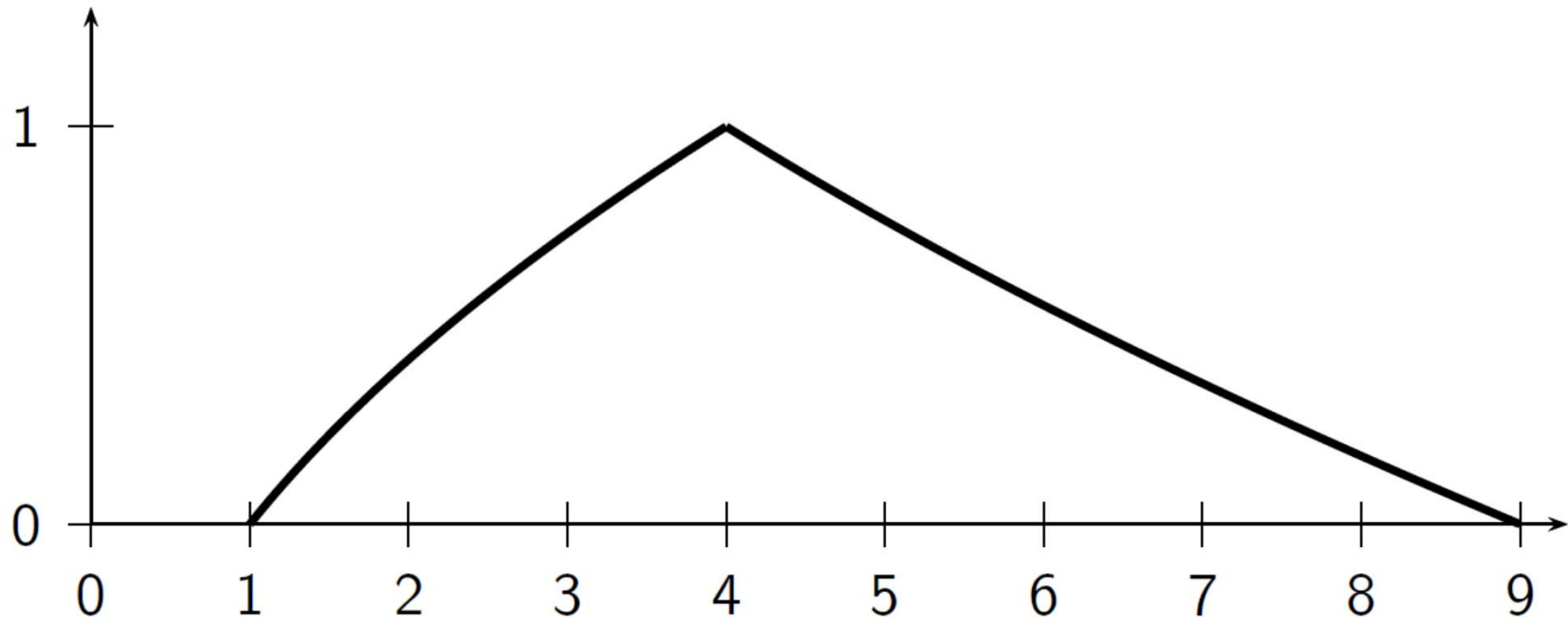
- Let fuzzy set “approximately 2” be defined as

$$\mu(x) = \begin{cases} x - 1, & \text{if } 1 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 3 - x, & \text{if } 2 \leq x \leq 3 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- The extension of  $\phi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, x \mapsto x^2$  to fuzzy sets on  $\mathbb{R}$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\phi}(\mu)(y) &= \sup\{\mu(x) \mid x \in \mathbb{R} \wedge x^2 = y\} \\ &= \begin{cases} \sqrt{y} - 1, & \text{if } 1 \leq y \leq 4 \\ 3 - \sqrt{y}, & \text{if } 4 \leq y \leq 9 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

## Example (2)



- The extension principle is taken as basis for “fuzzifying” the whole theory

# Fuzzy Arithmetic

# Fuzzy Sets on the Real Numbers

- There are many different types of fuzzy sets
- Consider fuzzy sets defined on set  $\mathbb{R}$  of real numbers
- Membership functions of such sets, i.e.

$$\mu : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1]$$

clearly indicate quantitative meaning

- Such concepts may essentially characterize states of fuzzy variables
- They play important role in many applications, e.g. fuzzy control, decision making, approximate reasoning, optimization, and statistics with imprecise probabilities

# Some Special Fuzzy Sets (1)

- Some special classes  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R})$  of fuzzy sets  $\mu$  on  $\mathbb{R}$

- Definition

- Normal Fuzzy Set

$$\mathcal{F}_N(\mathbb{R}) =^{\text{def}} \{\mu \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}) \mid \exists x \in \mathbb{R} : \mu(x) = 1\}$$

- Upper Semi-Continuous Fuzzy Set

$$\mathcal{F}_C(\mathbb{R}) =^{\text{def}} \{\mu \in \mathcal{F}_N(\mathbb{R}) \mid \forall \alpha \in (0, 1] : [\mu]_\alpha \text{ is compact}\}$$

- Fuzzy Intervals

$$\begin{aligned} F_I(\mathbb{R}) &=^{\text{def}} \{\mu \in \mathcal{F}_N(\mathbb{R}) \mid \forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} : c \in [a, b] \\ &\Rightarrow \mu(c) \geq \min\{\mu(a), \mu(b)\}\} \end{aligned}$$

# Some Special Fuzzy Sets (2)

## Normal Fuzzy Set

$$\mathcal{F}_N(\mathbb{R}) =^{\text{def}} \{\mu \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}) \mid \exists x \in \mathbb{R} : \mu(x) = 1\}$$

- An element in  $\mathcal{F}_N(\mathbb{R})$  is called normal fuzzy set:
  - It's meaningful if  $\mu \in \mathcal{F}_N(\mathbb{R})$  is used as imprecise description of an existing (but not precisely measurable) variable  $\subseteq \mathbb{R}$
  - In such cases it would not be plausible to assign maximum membership degree of 1 to no single real number



# Some Special Fuzzy Sets (3)

## Upper Semi-Continuous Fuzzy Set

$$\mathcal{F}_C(\mathbb{R}) =^{\text{def}} \{\mu \in \mathcal{F}_N(\mathbb{R}) \mid \forall \alpha \in (0, 1] : [\mu]_\alpha \text{ is compact}\}$$

- Sets in  $\mathcal{F}_C(\mathbb{R})$  are upper semi-continuous:
  - Function  $f$  is upper semi-continuous at point  $x_0$  if values near  $x_0$  are either close to  $f(x_0)$  or less than

$$f(x_0) \Rightarrow \limsup_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) \leq f(x_0)$$

- This simplifies arithmetic operations applied to them

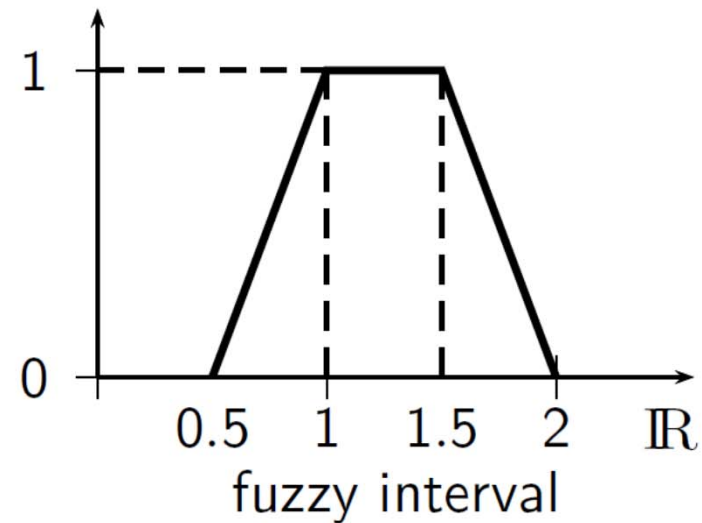
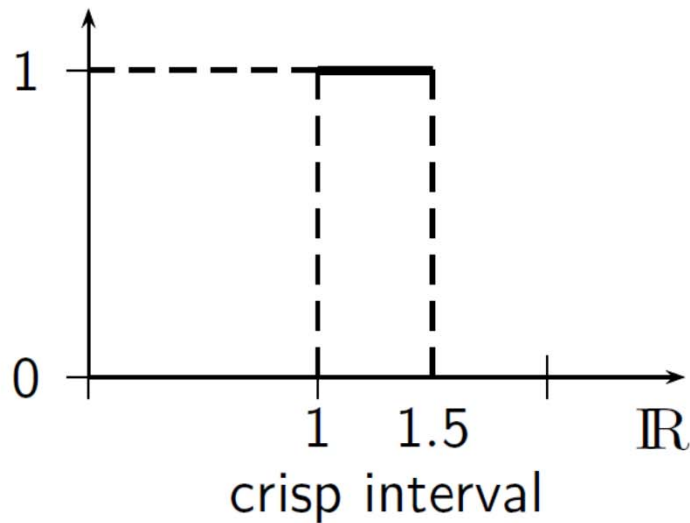
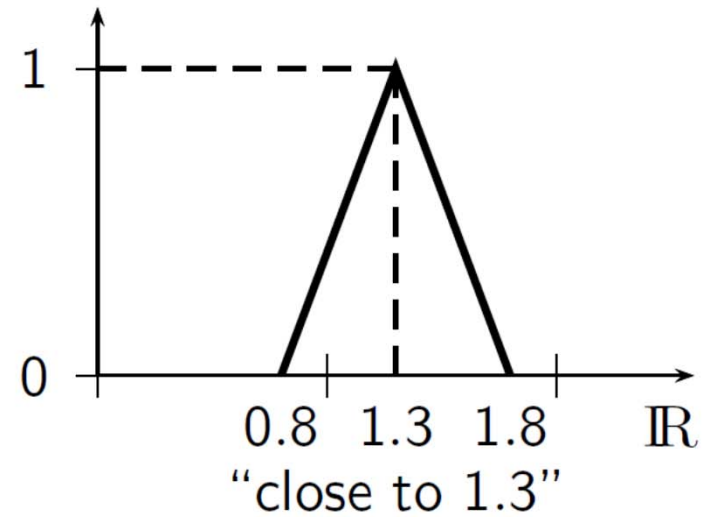
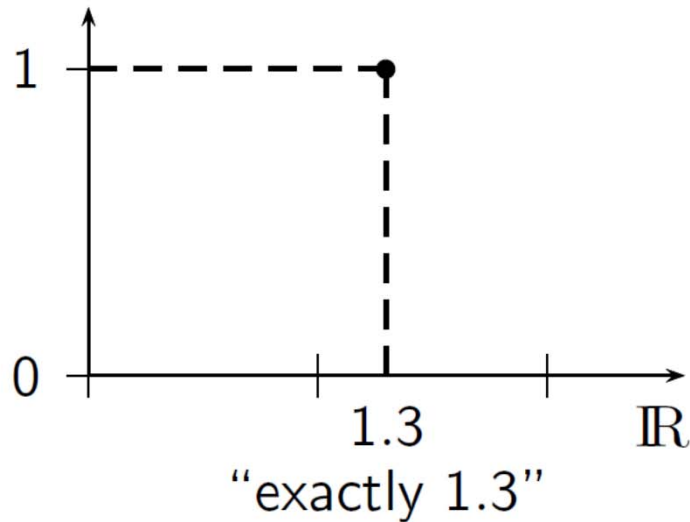
# Some Special Fuzzy Sets (4)

## Fuzzy Intervals

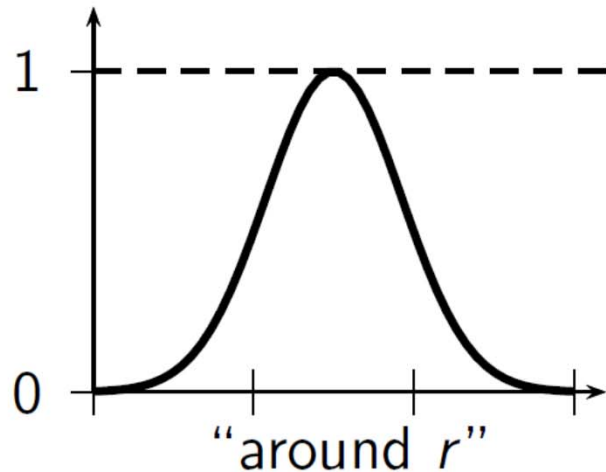
$$F_I(\mathbb{R}) =^{def} \{\mu \in \mathcal{F}_N(\mathbb{R}) \mid \forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} : c \in [a, b] \\ \Rightarrow \mu(c) \geq \min\{\mu(a), \mu(b)\}\}$$

- Fuzzy sets in  $F_I(\mathbb{R})$  are called fuzzy intervals
  - They are normal and fuzzy convex
  - Their core is a classical interval
  - $\mu \in F_I(\mathbb{R})$  for real numbers are called fuzzy numbers

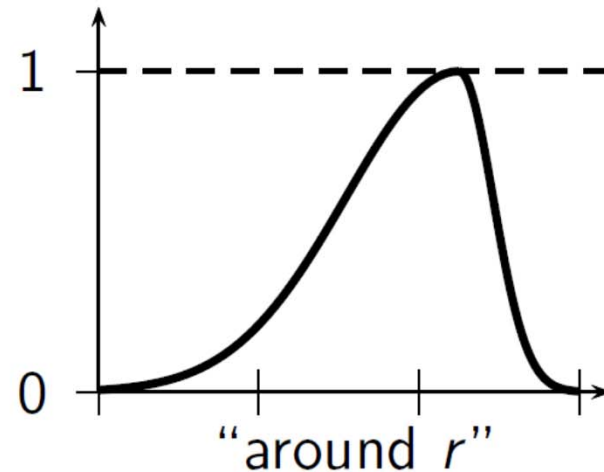
# Comparison of Crisp Sets and Fuzzy Sets on $\mathbb{R}$



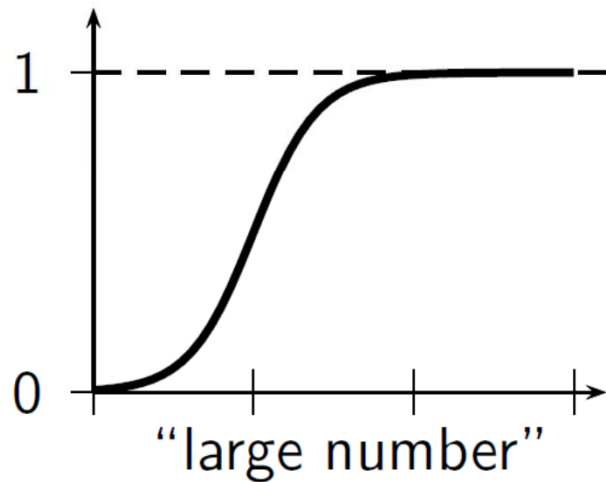
# Basic Types of Fuzzy Numbers



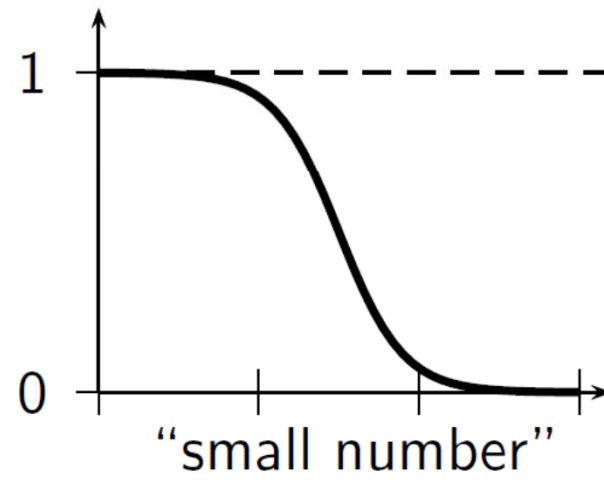
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asymmetric bell-shaped



right-open sigmoid



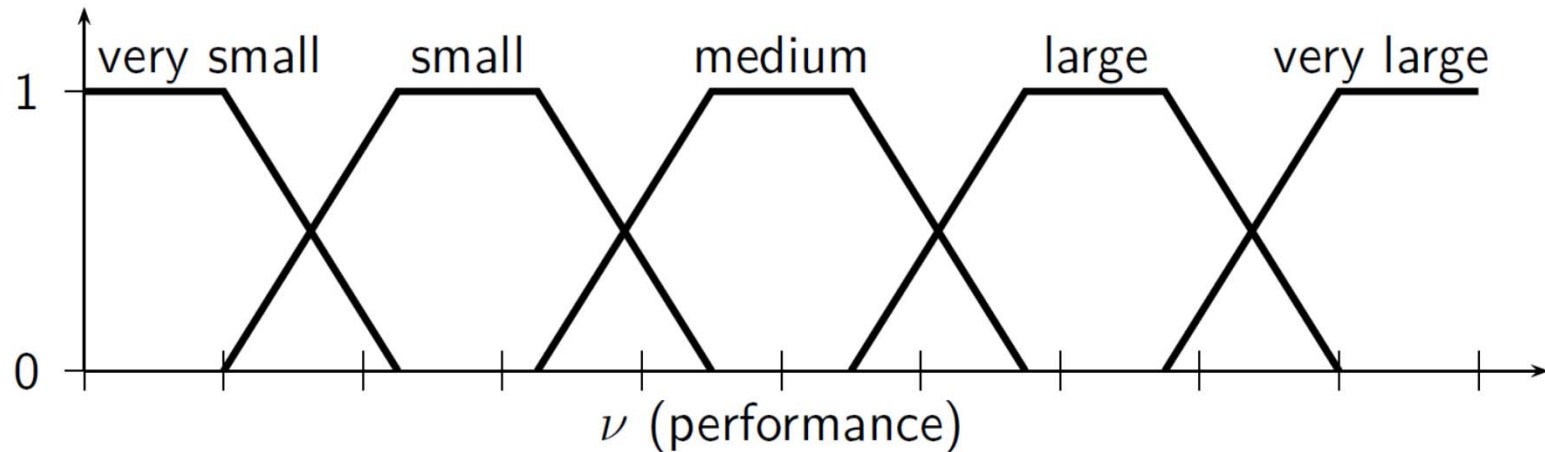
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# Linguistic Information Processing

# Quantitative Fuzzy Variables

- The concept of a fuzzy number plays fundamental role in formulating quantitative fuzzy variables
- These are variables whose states are fuzzy numbers
- When the fuzzy quantities represent linguistic concepts, e.g. very small, small, medium, etc. then fuzzy variables are called linguistic variables
- Each linguistic variable is defined in terms of base variable which is a variable in classical sense, e.g. temperature, pressure, age
- Linguistic terms representing approximate values of base variable are captured by appropriate fuzzy numbers

# Linguistic Variables



- Each linguistic variable is defined by quintuple  $(\nu, T, X, g, m)$ 
  - name  $\nu$  of the variable
  - set  $T$  of linguistic terms of  $\nu$
  - base variable  $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}$
  - syntactic rule  $g$  (grammar) for generating linguistic terms
  - semantic rule  $m$  that assigns meaning  $m(t)$  to every  $t \in T$ , i.e.  $m : T \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(X)$

# Operations on Linguistic Variables

- To deal with linguistic variables, consider
  - not only set-theoretic operations
  - but also arithmetic operations on fuzzy numbers (i.e. interval arithmetic)
- e.g. statistics:
  - Given a sample = (*small, medium, small, large, ...*).
  - How to define mean value or standard deviation?



# Analysis of Linguistic Data

Linguistic Data

	A	B	C
1	large	very large	medium
2	2.5	medium	about 7
3	[3, 4]	small	[7, 8]
⋮			

*linguistic modeling*



Fuzzy Data

	A	B	C
1			
2			
3			
⋮			

*computing with words*



"The mean *w.r.t.* A is approximately 4."

*linguistic approximation*



*statistics with fuzzy sets*



mean of attribute A



# Example: Application of Linguistic Data

- Consider the problem to model the climatic conditions of several towns
- A tourist may want information about tourist attractions
- Assume that linguistic random samples are based on subjective observations of selected people, e.g.
  - climatic attribute clouding
  - linguistic values cloudless, clear, fair, cloudy, . . .

# Example: Linguistic Modeling by an Expert

- The attribute clouding is modeled by elementary linguistic values, e.g.

cloudless	$\mapsto$	$\text{sigmoid}(0, -0.07)$
clear	$\mapsto$	$\text{Gauss}(25, 15)$
fair	$\mapsto$	$\text{Gauss}(50, 20)$
cloudy	$\mapsto$	$\text{Gauss}(75, 15)$
overcast	$\mapsto$	$\text{sigmoid}(100, 0.07)$
exactly)( $x$ )	$\mapsto$	$\text{exact}(x)$
approx)( $x$ )	$\mapsto$	$\text{Gauss}(x, 3)$
between( $x, y$ )	$\mapsto$	$\text{rectangle}(x, y)$
approx_between( $x, y$ )	$\mapsto$	$\text{trapezoid}(x - 20, x, y, y + 20)$

where  $x, y \in [0, 100] \subset \mathbb{R}$ .

## Example

- Gauss( $a, b$ ) is, e.g. a function defined by

$$f(x) = \exp\left(-\left(\frac{x - a}{b}\right)^2\right), \quad x, a, b \in \mathbb{R}, b > 0$$

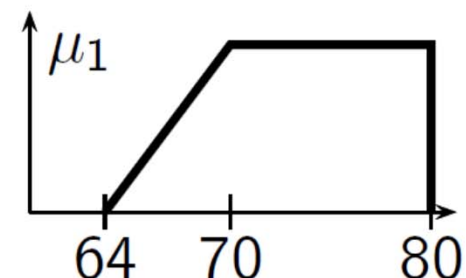
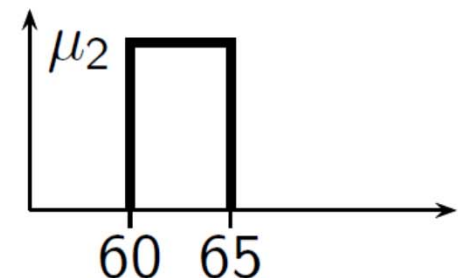
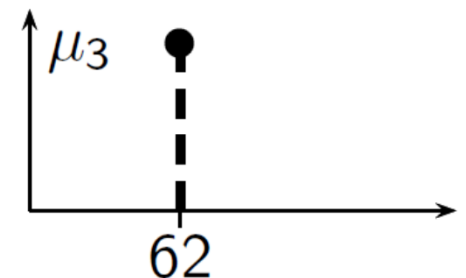
- induced language of expressions:  
    <expression> := <elementary linguistic value> |  
    ( <expression> ) |  
    { not | dil | con | int } <expression> |  
    <expression> { and | or } <expression>
- dil = dilatation , con = concentration
- e.g. *approx*( $x$ ) and *cloudy* is represented by  
    function  $\min\{\text{Gauss}(x, 3), \text{Gauss}(75, 15)\}$

# Example – Linguistic Random Sample

Attribute	:	Clouding
Observations	:	Limassol, Cyprus
2009/10/23	:	cloudy
2009/10/24	:	dil approx_between(50, 70)
2009/10/25	:	fair or cloudy
2009/10/26	:	approx(75)
2009/10/27	:	dil(clear or fair)
2009/10/28	:	int cloudy
2009/10/29	:	con fair
2009/11/30	:	approx(0)
2009/11/31	:	cloudless
2009/11/01	:	cloudless or dil clear
2009/11/02	:	overcast
2009/11/03	:	cloudy and between(70, 80)
. . .	:	. . .
2009/11/10	:	clear

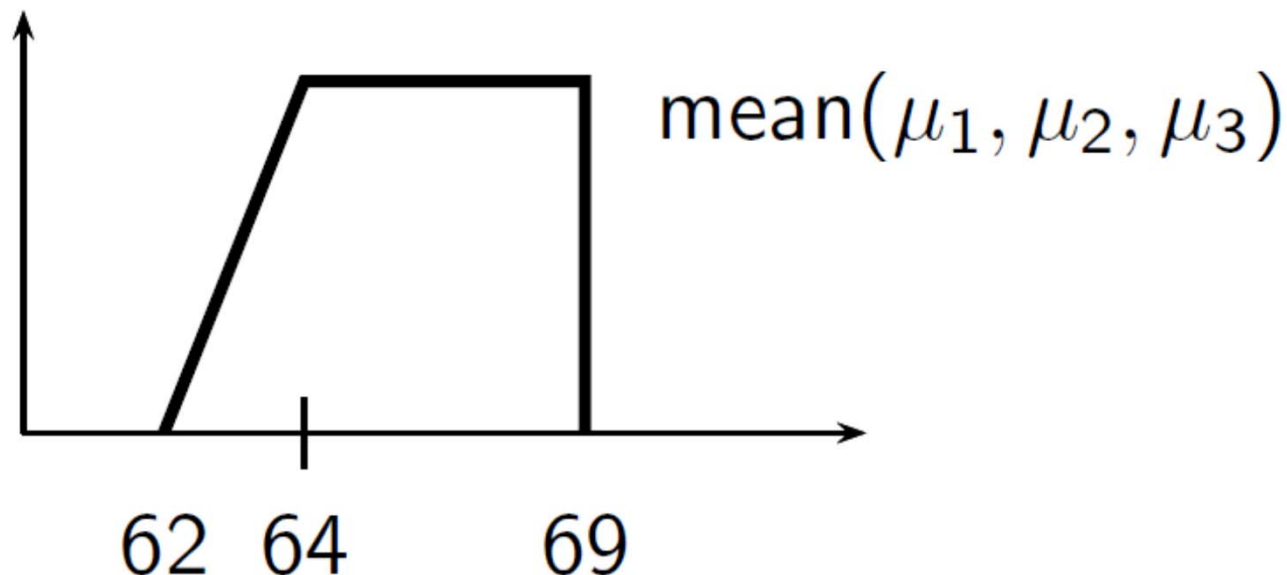
- Statistics with fuzzy sets are necessary to analyze linguistic data

# Example: Linguistic Random Sample of 3 People

no.	age (linguistic data)	age (fuzzy data)
1	approx. between 70 and 80 and definitely not older than 80	
2	between 60 and 65	
3	62	

## Example: Mean Value of Linguistic Random Sample

$$\text{mean}(\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3) = \frac{1}{3} (\mu_1 \oplus \mu_2 \oplus \mu_3)$$



i.e. approximately between 64 and 69 but not older than 69

# Efficient Operations (1)

- How to define arithmetic operations for calculating with  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R})$ ?
- Using extension principle for sum  $\mu \oplus \mu'$ , product  $\mu \odot \mu'$  and reciprocal value  $\text{rec}(\mu)$  of arbitrary fuzzy sets  $\mu, \mu' \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R})$   
$$(\mu \oplus \mu')(t) = \sup\{\min\{\mu(x_1), \mu'(x_2)\} \mid x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}, x_1 + x_2 = t\}$$
$$(\mu \odot \mu')(t) = \sup\{\min\{\mu(x_1), \mu'(x_2)\} \mid x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}, x_1 \cdot x_2 = t\}$$
$$\text{rec}(\mu)(t) = \sup\left\{\mu(x) \mid x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}, \frac{1}{x} = t\right\}$$
- In general, operations on fuzzy sets are much more complex (especially if vertical instead of horizontal representation is applied)
- It's desirable to reduce fuzzy arithmetic to ordinary set arithmetic
- Then, we apply elementary operations of interval arithmetic



## Efficient Operations (2)

- Definition

A family  $(A_\alpha)_{\alpha \in (0,1)}$  of sets is called set representation of  $\mu \in \mathcal{F}_N(\mathbb{R})$  if

a)  $0 < \alpha < \beta < 1 \Rightarrow A_\alpha \subseteq A_\beta \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  and

b)  $\mu(t) = \sup\{\alpha \in [0, 1] \mid t \in A_\alpha\}$

holds where  $\sup \emptyset = 0$

- Theorem

Let  $\mu \in \mathcal{F}_N(\mathbb{R})$

The family  $(A_\alpha)_{\alpha \in (0,1)}$  of sets is a set representation of  $\mu$  if and only if

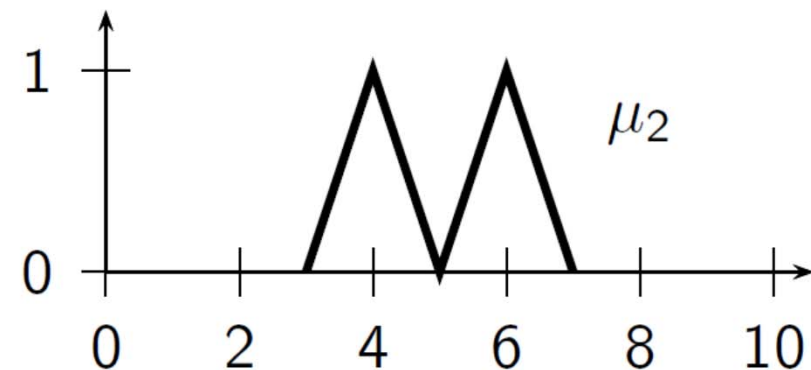
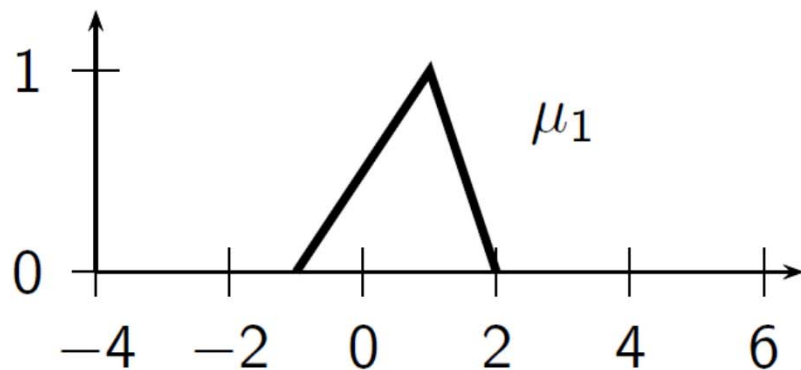
$$[\mu]_{\underline{\alpha}} = \{t \in \mathbb{R} \mid \mu(t) > \alpha\} \subseteq A_\alpha \subseteq \{t \in \mathbb{R} \mid \mu(t) \geq \alpha\} = [\mu]_\alpha$$

is valid for all  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$

# Efficient Operations

- Let  $\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n$  be normal fuzzy sets of  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $\phi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a mapping. Then the following holds
  - $\forall \alpha \in [0, 1) : [\hat{\phi}(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n)]_{\underline{\alpha}} = \phi([\mu_1]_{\underline{\alpha}}, \dots, [\mu_n]_{\underline{\alpha}}),$
  - $\forall \alpha \in (0, 1] : [\hat{\phi}(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n)]_{\alpha} \supseteq \phi([\mu_1]_{\alpha}, \dots, [\mu_n]_{\alpha}),$
  - if  $(A_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in (0,1)}$  is a set representation of  $\mu_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , then  $\left( \phi((A_1)_{\alpha}, \dots, (A_n)_{\alpha}) \right)_{\alpha \in (0,1)}$  is a set representation of  $\hat{\phi}(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n)$
- For arbitrary mapping  $\phi$ , set representation of its extension  $\hat{\phi}$  can be obtained with help of set representation  $((A_i)_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in (0,1)}, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$
- It's used to carry out arithmetic operations on fuzzy sets efficiently

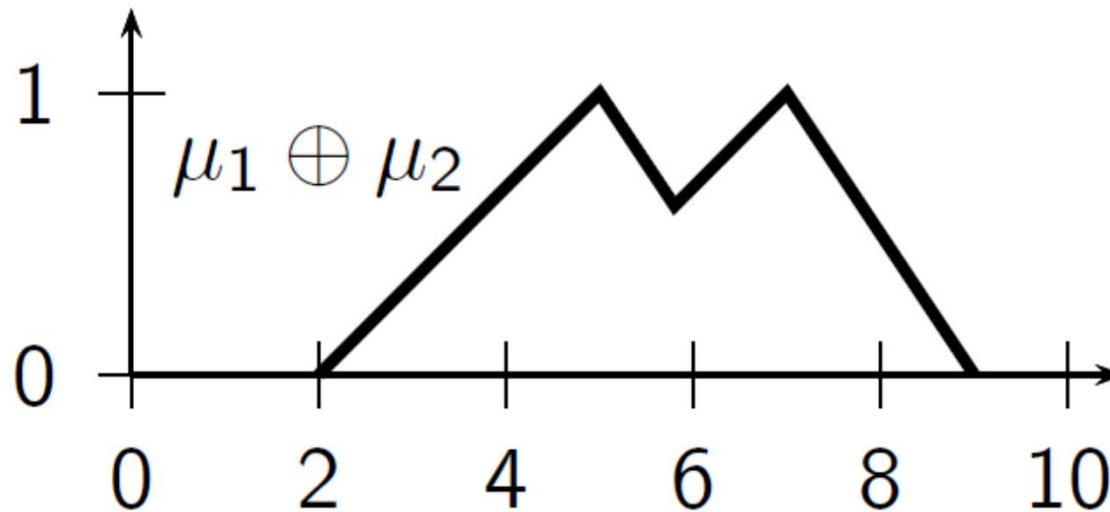
## Example (1)



- For  $\mu_1, \mu_2$ , the set representations are
  - $[\mu_1]_\alpha = [2\alpha - 1, 2 - \alpha]$
  - $[\mu_2]_\alpha = [\alpha + 3, 5 - \alpha] \cup [\alpha + 5, 7 - \alpha]$
- Let  $\text{add}(x, y) = x + y$ , then  $(A_\alpha)_{\alpha \in (0,1)}$  represents  $\mu_1 \oplus \mu_2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_\alpha &= \text{add}([\mu_1]_\alpha, [\mu_2]_\alpha) = [3\alpha + 2, 7 - 2\alpha] \cup [3\alpha + 4, 9 - 2\alpha] \\
 &= \begin{cases} [3\alpha + 2, 7 - 2\alpha] \cup [3\alpha + 4, 9 - 2\alpha], & \text{if } \alpha \geq 0.6 \\ [3\alpha + 2, 9 - 2\alpha], & \text{if } \alpha \leq 0 \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

## Example (2)



$$(\mu_1 \oplus \mu_2)(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x-2}{3}, & \text{if } 2 \leq x \leq 5 \\ \frac{7-x}{2}, & \text{if } 5 \leq x \leq 5.8 \\ \frac{x-4}{3}, & \text{if } 5.8 \leq x \leq 7 \\ \frac{9-x}{2}, & \text{if } 7 \leq x \leq 9 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

# Interval Arithmetic (1)

- Determining the set representations of arbitrary combinations of fuzzy sets can be reduced very often to simple interval arithmetic
- Using fundamental operations of arithmetic leads to the following ( $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$ )

$$[a, b] + [c, d] = [a + c, b + d]$$

$$[a, b] - [c, d] = [a - d, b - c]$$

$$[a, b] \cdot [c, d] = \begin{cases} [ac, bd], & \text{for } a \geq 0 \wedge c \geq 0 \\ [bd, ac], & \text{for } b < 0 \wedge d < 0 \\ [\min\{ad, bc\}, \max\{ad, bc\}], & \text{for } ab \geq 0 \wedge cd \geq 0 \wedge ac < 0 \\ [\min\{ad, bc\}, \max\{ac, bd\}], & \text{for } ab < 0 \vee cd < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{1}{ab} = \begin{cases} \left[ \frac{1}{b}, \frac{1}{a} \right], & \text{if } 0 \notin [a, b] \\ \left[ \frac{1}{b}, \infty \right) \cup \left( -\infty, \frac{1}{a} \right], & \text{if } a < 0 \wedge b > 0 \\ \left[ \frac{1}{b}, \infty \right), & \text{if } a = 0 \wedge b > 0 \\ \left( -\infty, \frac{1}{a} \right], & \text{if } a < 0 \wedge b = 0 \end{cases}$$

## Interval Arithmetic (2)

- In general, set representation of  $\alpha$ -cuts of extensions  $\hat{\phi}(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n)$  cannot be determined directly from  $\alpha$ -cuts.
- It only works always for continuous  $\phi$  and fuzzy sets in  $\mathcal{F}_C(\mathbb{R})$
- Theorem
  - Let  $\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n \in \mathcal{F}_C(\mathbb{R})$  and  $\phi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous mapping
  - Then  $\forall \alpha \in (0, 1] : [\hat{\phi}(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n)]_\alpha = \phi([\mu_1]_\alpha, \dots, [\mu_n]_\alpha)$
  - So, a horizontal representation is better than a vertical one
  - Finding  $\hat{\phi}$  values is easier than directly applying the extension principle
  - However, all  $\alpha$ -cuts cannot be stored in a computer
  - Only a finite number of  $\alpha$ -cuts can be stored

# Fuzzy Relations

# Motivation

- A **crisp relation** represents presence or absence of association, interaction or interconnection between elements of  $\geq 2$  sets

This concept can be generalized to various degrees or strengths of association or interaction between elements

- A **fuzzy relation** generalizes these degrees to membership grades

So, a crisp relation is a restricted case of a fuzzy relation



# Definition of Relation

- A relation among crisp sets  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  is a subset of  $X_1 \times \dots \times X_n$  denoted as  $R(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  or  $R(X_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n)$
- So, the relation  $R(X_1, \dots, X_n) \subseteq X_1 \times \dots \times X_n$  is set, too
- The basic concept of sets can be also applied to relations:
  - containment, subset, union, intersection, complement
- Each crisp relation can be defined by its characteristic function

$$R(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if and only if } (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in R \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- The membership of  $(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  in  $R$  means that the elements of  $(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  are related to each other

# Relation as Ordered Set of Tuples

- A relation can be written as a set of ordered tuples
- Thus  $R(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  represents  $n$ -dimensional membership array  $R = [r_{i_1}, \dots, i_n]$ 
  - Each element of  $i_1$  of  $R$  corresponds to exactly one member of  $X_1$
  - Each element of  $i_2$  of  $R$  corresponds to exactly one member of  $X_2$
  - And so on...
- If  $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in X_1 \times \dots \times X_n$  corresponds to  $r_{i_1}, \dots, i_n \in R$ , then

$$r_{i_1}, \dots, i_n = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if and only if } (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in R \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

# Fuzzy Relations

- The characteristic function of a crisp relation can be generalized to allow tuples to have degrees of membership
- Similar to the generalization of the characteristic function of a crisp set
- A fuzzy relation is a fuzzy set defined on tuples  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  that may have varying degrees of membership within the relation
- The membership grade indicates strength of the present relation between elements of the tuple
- The fuzzy relation can also be represented by an n-dimensional membership array

## Example

- Let  $R$  be a fuzzy relation between two sets  
 $X = \{\text{New York City, Paris}\}$   
and  $Y = \{\text{Beijing, New York City, London}\}$
- $R$  shall represent relational concept “very far”
- It can be represented as two-dimensional membership array

	NYC	Paris
Beijing	1	0.9
NYC	0	0.7
London	0.6	0.3

# Cartesian Product of Fuzzy Sets: *n* Dimensions

- Let  $n \geq 2$  fuzzy sets  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  be defined in the universes of discourse  $X_1, \dots, X_n$ , respectively
- The Cartesian product of  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  denoted by  $A_1 \times \dots \times A_n$  is a fuzzy relation in the product space  $X_1 \times \dots \times X_n$

- It is defined by its membership function

$$\mu_{A_1 \times \dots \times A_n}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \top(\mu_{A_1}(x_1), \dots, \mu_{A_n}(x_n))$$

whereas  $x_i \in X_i, 1 \leq i \leq n$

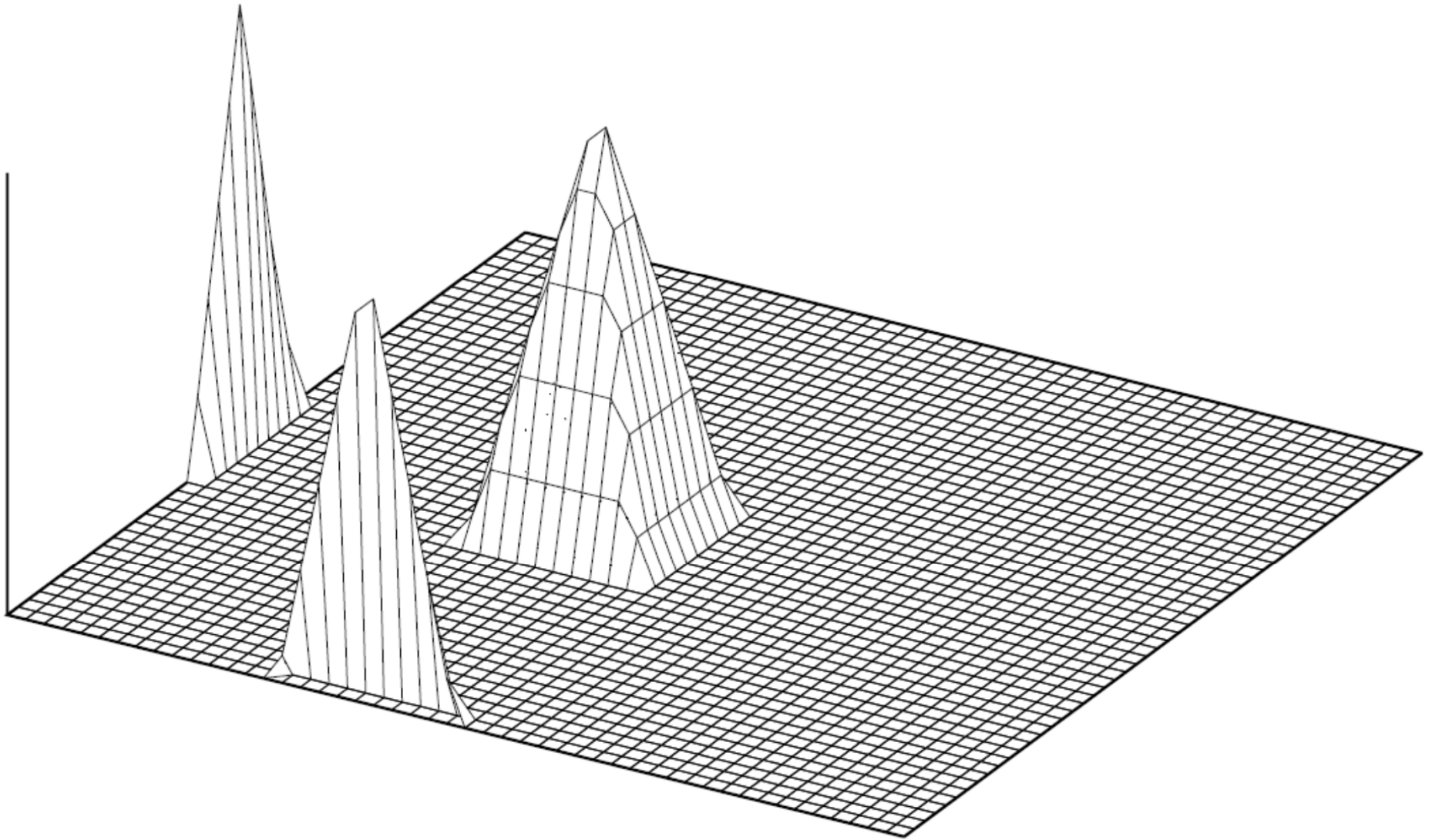
- Usually  $\top$  is the minimum (sometimes also the product)

# Cartesian Product of Fuzzy Sets: 2 Dimensions

- A special case of the Cartesian product is when  $n = 2$
- The Cartesian product of fuzzy sets  $A \in F(X)$  and  $B \in F(Y)$  is a fuzzy relation  $A \times B \in F(X \times Y)$  defined by

$$\mu_{A \times B}(x, y) = \top[\mu_A(x), \mu_B(y)], \forall x \in X, \forall y \in Y$$

# Example: Cartesian Product in $F(X \times Y)$ with $t$ -norm = min



# Subsequences

- Consider the Cartesian product of all sets in the family

$$\mathcal{X} = \{X_i \mid i \in \mathbb{N}_n = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}\}$$

- For each sequence (n-tuple)

$$\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \times_{i \in \mathbb{N}_n} X_i$$

and each sequence (r -tuple,  $r \leq n$ )

$$\mathbf{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_r) \in \times_{j \in J} X_j$$

where  $J \subseteq \mathbb{N}_n$  and  $|J| = r$

- $\mathbf{y}$  is called subsequence of  $\mathbf{x}$  if and only if  $y_j = x_j, \forall j \in J$
- $\mathbf{y} < \mathbf{x}$  denotes that  $\mathbf{y}$  is subsequence of  $\mathbf{x}$



# Projection

- Given a relation  $R(x_1, \dots, x_n)$
- Let  $[R \downarrow \mathcal{Y}]$  denote the projection of  $R$  on  $\mathcal{Y}$
- It disregards all sets in  $X$  except those in the family

$$\mathcal{Y} = \{X_j \mid j \in J \subseteq \mathbb{N}_n\}$$

- Then  $[R \downarrow \mathcal{Y}]$  is a fuzzy relation whose membership function is defined on the Cartesian product of the sets in

$$\mathcal{Y}[R \downarrow \mathcal{Y}](\mathbf{y}) = \max_{\mathbf{x} \succ \mathbf{y}} R(\mathbf{x}).$$

- Under special circumstances, this projection can be generalized by replacing the max operator by another  $t$ -conorm

# Example

- Consider the sets  $X_1 = \{0, 1\}$ ,  $X_2 = \{0, 1\}$ ,  $X_3 = \{0, 1, 2\}$  and the ternary fuzzy relation on  $X_1 \times X_2 \times X_3$  defined as follows
- Let  $R_{ij} = [R \downarrow \{X_i, X_j\}]$  and  $R_i = [R \downarrow \{X_i\}]$  for all  $i, j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$
- Using this notation, all possible projections of  $R$  are given below

$(x_1, x_2, x_3)$	$R(x_1, x_2, x_3)$	$R_{12}(x_1, x_2)$	$R_{13}(x_1, x_3)$	$R_{23}(x_2, x_3)$	$R_1(x_1)$	$R_2(x_2)$	$R_3(x_3)$
0 0 0	0.4	0.9	1.0	0.5	1.0	0.9	1.0
0 0 1	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.9
0 0 2	0.2	0.9	0.8	0.2	1.0	0.9	1.0
0 1 0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
0 1 1	0.0	1.0	0.9	0.5	1.0	1.0	0.9
0 1 2	0.8	1.0	0.8	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
1 0 0	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.0	0.9	1.0
1 0 1	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.9
1 0 2	0.1	0.5	1.0	0.2	1.0	0.9	1.0
1 1 0	0.0	1.0	0.5	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
1 1 1	0.5	1.0	0.5	0.5	1.0	1.0	0.9
1 1 2	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

# Example: Detailed Calculation

- Here, only consider the projection  $R_{12}$

$(x_1, x_2, x_3)$	$R(x_1, x_2, x_3)$	$R_{12}(x_1, x_2)$
0 0 0	0.4	$\max[R(0, 0, 0), R(0, 0, 1), R(0, 0, 2)] = 0.9$
0 0 1	0.9	
0 0 2	0.2	
0 1 0	1.0	$\max[R(0, 1, 0), R(0, 1, 1), R(0, 1, 2)] = 1.0$
0 1 1	0.0	
0 1 2	0.8	
1 0 0	0.5	$\max[R(1, 0, 0), R(1, 0, 1), R(1, 0, 2)] = 0.5$
1 0 1	0.3	
1 0 2	0.1	
1 1 0	0.0	$\max[R(1, 1, 0), R(1, 1, 1), R(1, 1, 2)] = 1.0$
1 1 1	0.5	
1 1 2	1.0	

# Cylindric Extension

- Let  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}$  denote the same families of sets as used for projection
- Let  $R$  be a relation defined on Cartesian product of sets in family  $\mathcal{Y}$
- Let  $[R \uparrow \mathcal{X} \setminus \mathcal{Y}]$  denote the cylindric extension of  $R$  into sets  $X_i, (i \in \mathbb{N}_n)$  which are in  $\mathcal{X}$  but not in  $\mathcal{Y}$

- For each  $x$  with  $x \succ y$

$$[R \uparrow \mathcal{X} \setminus \mathcal{Y}](x) = R(y)$$

- The cylindric extension
  - produces largest fuzzy relation that is compatible with projection
  - is the least specific of all relations compatible with projection
  - guarantees that no information not included in projection is used to determine extended relation

## Example

- Consider again the example for the projection
- The membership functions of the cylindric extensions of all projections are already shown in the table under the assumption that their arguments are extended to  $(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  e.g.  
$$[R_{23} \uparrow \{X_1\}](0, 0, 2) = [R_{23} \uparrow \{X_1\}](1, 0, 2) = R_{23}(0, 2) = 0.2$$
- In this example none of the cylindric extensions are equal to the original fuzzy relation
- This is identical with the respective projections
- Some information was lost when the given relation was replaced by any one of its projections

# Cylindric Closure

- Relations that can be reconstructed from one of their projections by cylindric extension exist
- However, they are rather rare and not is more common that relation can be exactly reconstructed
  - from several of its projections (max)
  - by taking set intersection of their cylindric extensions (min)
- The resulting relation is usually called **cylindric closure**
- Let the set of projections  $\{P_i \mid i \in I\}$  of a relation on  $\mathcal{X}$  be given

Then the cylindric closure  $\text{cyl}\{P_i\}$  is defined for each  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  as

$$\text{cyl}\{P_i\}(x) = \min_{i \in I} [P_i \uparrow \mathcal{X} \setminus \mathcal{Y}_i](x)$$

$\mathcal{Y}_i$  denotes the family of sets on which  $P_i$  is defined

# Example

- The cylindric closures of three families of the projections are shown below

$(x_1, x_2, x_3)$	$R(x_1, x_2, x_3)$	$\text{cyl}(R_{12}, R_{13}, R_{23})$	$\text{cyl}(R_1, R_2, R_3)$	$\text{cyl}(R_{12}, R_3)$
0 0 0	0.4	0.5	0.9	0.9
0 0 1	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9
0 0 2	0.2	0.2	0.9	0.9
0 1 0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
0 1 1	0.0	0.5	0.9	0.9
0 1 2	0.8	0.8	1.0	1.0
1 0 0	0.5	0.5	0.9	0.5
1 0 1	0.3	0.5	0.9	0.5
1 0 2	0.1	0.2	0.9	0.5
1 1 0	0.0	0.5	1.0	1.0
1 1 1	0.5	0.5	0.9	0.9
1 1 2	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

- None of them is the same as the original relation  $R$
- So the relation  $R$  is not fully reconstructable from its projections

# Binary Fuzzy Relations



# Motivation and Domain

- Binary relations are significant among  $n$ -dimensional relations
- They are generalized mathematical functions
- On the contrary to functions from  $X$  to  $Y$ , binary relations  $R(X, Y)$  may assign to each element of  $X$  two or more elements of  $Y$
- Some basic operations on functions, e.g. inverse and composition, are applicable to binary relations as well
- Given a fuzzy binary relation  $R(X, Y)$

Its domain  $\text{dom } R$  is the fuzzy set on  $X$  whose membership function is defined for each  $x \in X$  as

$$\text{dom } R(x) = \max_{y \in Y} \{R(x, y)\}$$

i.e. each  $x \in X$  belongs to the domain of  $R$  to a degree equal to the strength of its strongest relation to any  $y \in Y$

# Range and Height

- The range  $\text{ran}$  of  $R(X, Y)$  is a fuzzy binary relation on  $Y$  whose membership function is defined for each  $y \in Y$  as

$$\text{ran } R(y) = \max_{x \in X} \{R(x, y)\},$$

i.e. the strength of the strongest relation which each  $y \in Y$  has to an  $x \in X$  equals to the degree of membership of  $y$  in the range of  $R$

- The height  $h$  of  $R(X, Y)$  is a number defined by

$$h(R) = \max_{y \in Y} \max_{x \in X} \{R(x, y)\}.$$

$h(R)$  is the largest membership grade obtained by any pair  $(x, y) \in R$

# Representation and Inverse

- Consider e.g. the membership matrix

$$\mathbf{R} = [r_{xy}] \text{ with } r_{xy} = R(x, y)$$

Its inverse  $R^{-1}(Y, X)$  of  $R(X, Y)$  is a relation on  $Y \times X$  defined by

$$R^{-1}(y, x) = R(x, y), \forall x \in X, \forall y \in Y$$

$\mathbf{R}^{-1} = [r_{xy}^{-1}]$  representing  $R^{-1}(y, x)$  is the transpose of  $\mathbf{R}$  for  $R(X, Y)$

$$(\mathbf{R}^{-1})^{-1} = \mathbf{R}, \forall \mathbf{R}$$

# Standard Composition

- Consider the binary relations  $P(X, Y)$  ,  $Q(Y, Z)$  with common set  $Y$

The standard composition of  $P$  and  $Q$  is defined as

$$(x, z) \in P \circ Q \iff \exists y \in Y : \{(x, y) \in P \wedge (y, z) \in Q\}$$

In the fuzzy case this is generalized by

$$[P \circ Q](x, z) = \sup_{y \in Y} \{\min\{P(x, y), Q(y, z)\}, \forall x \in X, \forall z \in Z\}$$

- If  $Y$  is finite, sup operator is replaced by max, then the standard composition is also called max-min composition

# Inverse of Standard Composition

- The inverse of the max-min composition follows from its definition

$$[P(X,Y) \circ Q(Y,Z)]^{-1} = Q^{-1}(Z,Y) \circ P^{-1}(Y,X)$$

- Its associativity also comes directly from its definition:

$$\begin{aligned} & [P(X,Y) \circ Q(Y,Z)] \circ R(Z,W) \\ &= P(X,Y) \circ [Q(Y,Z) \circ R(Z,W)] \end{aligned}$$

- Note that the standard composition is not commutative
- Matrix notation:  $[r_{ij}] = [p_{ik}] \circ [q_{kj}]$   
with  $r_{ij} = \max_k \min(p_{ik}, q_{kj})$

# Example

$$P \circ Q = R$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} .3 & .5 & .8 \\ 0 & .7 & 1 \\ .4 & .6 & .5 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} .9 & .5 & .7 & .7 \\ .3 & .2 & 0 & .9 \\ 1 & 0 & .5 & .5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} .8 & .3 & .5 & .5 \\ 1 & .2 & .5 & .7 \\ .5 & .4 & .5 & .5 \end{bmatrix}$$

- For instance:

- $r_{11} = \max\{\min(p_{11}, q_{11}), \min(p_{12}, q_{21}), \min(p_{13}, q_{31})\}$   
 $= \max\{\min(.3, .9), \min(.5, .3), \min(.8, 1)\} = .8$
- $r_{32} = \max\{\min(p_{31}, q_{12}), \min(p_{32}, q_{22}), \min(p_{33}, q_{32})\}$   
 $= \max\{\min(.4, .5), \min(.6, .2), \min(.5, 0)\} = .4$

# Relational Join

- Relational Join yields triples (whereas composition returned pairs)

For  $P(X, Y)$  and  $Q(Y, Z)$ , the relational join  $P * Q$  is defined by

$$[P * Q](x, y, z) = \min\{P(x, y), Q(y, z)\}, \forall x \in X, \forall y \in Y, \forall z \in Z$$

- Then the max-min composition is obtained by aggregating the join by the maximum

$$[P \circ Q](x, z) = \max_{y \in Y} [P * Q](x, y, z), \forall x \in X, \forall z \in Z$$

# Example

- The join  $S = P * Q$  of the relations  $P$  and  $Q$  has the following membership function (shown below on left-hand side)
- To convert this join into its corresponding composition  $R = P \circ Q$  (shown on right-hand side)
- The two indicated pairs of  $S(x, y, z)$  are aggregated using max

$x$	$y$	$z$	$\mu_{S(x, y, z)}$
1	$a$	$\alpha$	.6
1	$a$	$\beta$	.7*
1	$b$	$\beta$	.5*
2	$a$	$\alpha$	.6
2	$a$	$\beta$	.8
3	$b$	$\beta$	1
4	$b$	$\beta$	.4*
4	$c$	$\beta$	.3*

$x$	$z$	$\mu_R(x, z)$
1	$\alpha$	.6
1	$\beta$	.7
2	$\alpha$	.6
2	$\beta$	.8
3	$\beta$	.1
4	$\beta$	.4

- For instance,

$$R(1, \beta) = \max\{S(1, a, \beta), S(1, b, \beta)\} = \max\{.7, .5\} = .7$$



# Binary Relations on a Single Set

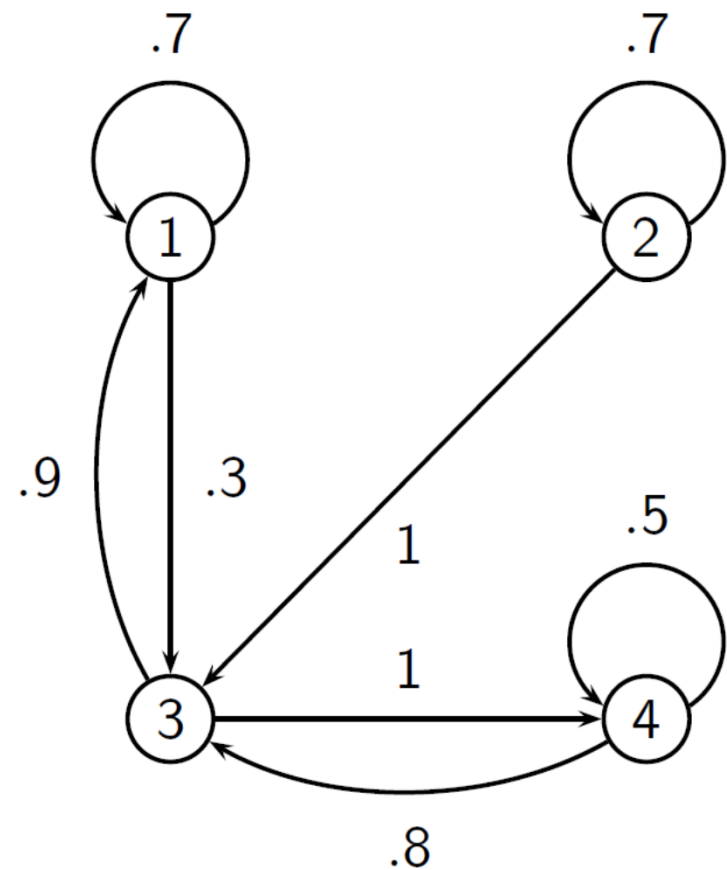
# Binary Relations on a Single Set

- It is also possible to define crisp or fuzzy binary relations among elements of a single set  $X$
- Such a binary relation can be denoted by  $R(X, X)$  or  $R(X^2)$  which is a subset of  $X \times X = X^2$
- These relations are often referred to as directed graphs, which is also a representation of them
  - Each element of  $X$  is represented as node
  - Directed connections between nodes indicate pairs of  $x \in X$  for which the grade of the membership is nonzero
  - Each connection is labeled by its actual membership grade of the corresponding pair in  $R$

# Example

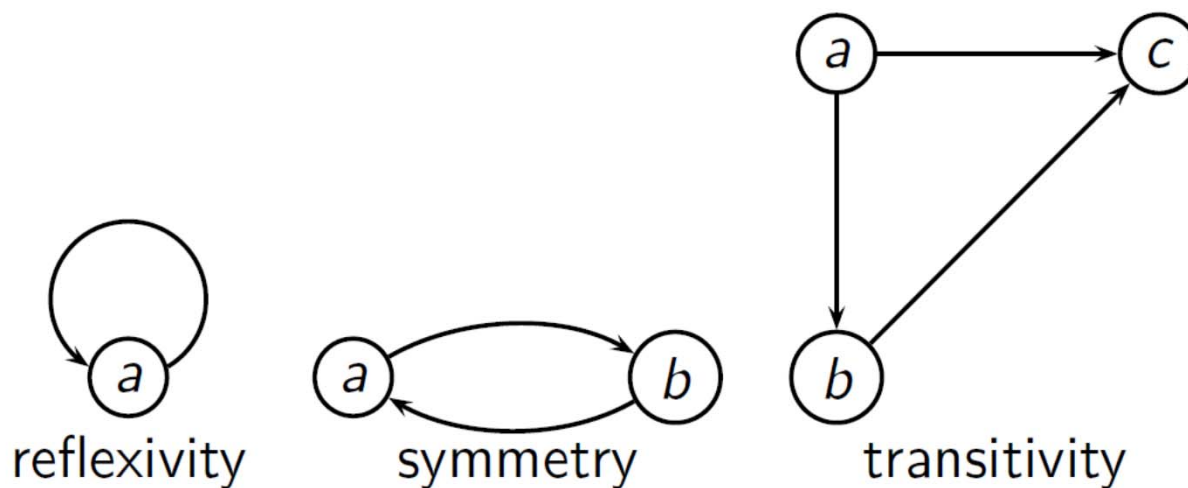
- An example of  $R(X, X)$  defined on  $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$
- Two different representation are shown below

	1	2	3	4
1	.7	0	.3	0
2	0	.7	1	0
3	.9	0	0	1
3	0	0	.8	.5



# Properties of Crisp Relations

- A crisp relation  $R(X, X)$  is called
  - *reflexive* if and only if  $\forall x \in X : (x, x) \in R$
  - *symmetric* if and only if  $\forall x, y \in X : (x, y) \in R \leftrightarrow (y, x) \in R$
  - *transitive* if and only if  $(x, z) \in R$  whenever both  $(x, y) \in R$  and  $(y, z) \in R$  for at least one  $y \in X$



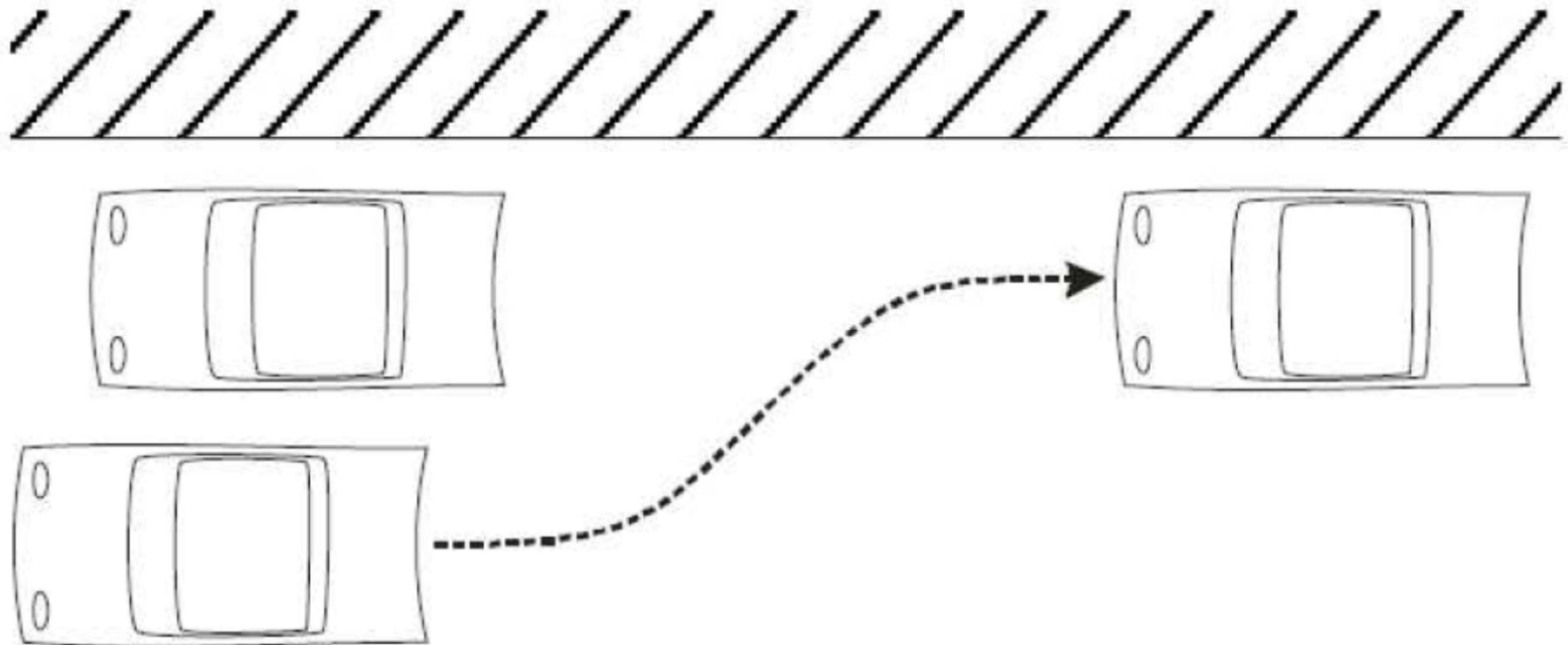
- All these properties are preserved under inversion of the relation

# Properties of Fuzzy Relations

- These properties can be extended for fuzzy relations, by defining them in terms of the membership function of the relation
- A fuzzy relation  $R(X, X)$  is called
  - *reflexive* if and only if  $\forall x \in X : R(x, x) = 1$
  - *symmetric* if and only if  $\forall x, y \in X : R(x, y) = R(y, x)$
  - *transitive* if it satisfies
$$R(x, z) \geq \max_{y \in Y} \min\{R(x, y), R(y, z)\}, \quad \forall (x, z) \in X^2$$
- Note that a fuzzy binary relation that is reflexive, symmetric and transitive is called fuzzy *equivalence relation*

# Fuzzy Control Basics

# Example – Parking a car backwards



- Questions:
  - What is the meaning of satisfactory parking?
  - Demand on precision?
  - Realization of control?

# Fuzzy Control

- Biggest success of fuzzy systems in industry and commerce
- Special kind of non-linear table-based control method
- Definition of non-linear transition function can be made without specifying each entry individually
- Examples: technical systems
  - Electrical engine moving an elevator
  - Heating installation
- Goal: define certain behavior
  - Engine should maintain certain number of revolutions per minute
  - Heating should guarantee certain room temperature



# Table-based Control (1)

- Control systems all share a time-dependent *output variable*
  - Revolutions per minute
  - Room temperature
- Output is controlled by *control variable*
  - Adjustment of current
  - Thermostat
- Also, *disturbance variables* influence output
  - Load of elevator, . . .
  - Outside temperature or sunshine through a window, . . .

## Table-based Control (2)

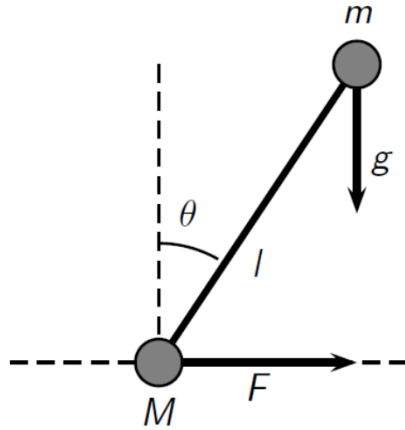
- Computation of actual value incorporates both control variable measurements of current output variable  $\xi$  and change of output variable  $\Delta\xi = \frac{d\xi}{dt}$
- If  $\xi$  is given in finite time intervals, then set
$$\Delta\xi(t_{n+1}) = \xi(t_{n+1}) - \xi(t_n).$$
In this case measurement of  $\Delta\xi$  not necessary

# Notation

- Input variables  $\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n$ , control variable  $\eta$
- Measurements used to determine actual value of  $\eta$
- $\eta$  may specify change of  $\eta$
- Assumption:  $\xi_i, 1 \leq i \leq n$  is value of  $X_i, \eta \in Y$
- Solution: *control function*  $\varphi$

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi : X_1 \times \dots \times X_n &\rightarrow Y \\ (x_1, \dots, x_n) &\mapsto y\end{aligned}$$

# Example: Cartpole Problem (1)



- Balance an upright standing pole by moving its foot
- Lower end of pole can be moved unrestrained along horizontal axis
- Mass  $m$  at foot and mass  $M$  at head
- Influence of mass of shaft itself is negligible
- Determine force  $F$  (control variable) that is necessary to balance pole standing upright
- That is measurement of following output variables
  - angle  $\theta$  of pole in relation to vertical axis,
  - change of angle, *i.e.* triangular velocity  $\dot{\theta} = \frac{d\theta}{dt}$
- Both should converge to zero

## Example: Cartpole Problem (2)

- Angle  $\theta \in X_1 = [-90^\circ, 90^\circ]$
- Theoretically, every angle velocity  $\dot{\theta}$  possible
- Extreme  $\dot{\theta}$  are artificially achievable
- Assume  $-45^\circ/\text{s} \leq \dot{\theta} \leq 45^\circ/\text{s}$  holds, i.e.  
 $\dot{\theta} \in X_2 = [-45^\circ/\text{s}, 45^\circ/\text{s}]$
- Absolute value of force  $|F| \leq 10\text{N}$
- Thus define  $F \in Y = [-10\text{N}, 10\text{N}]$

## Example: Cartpole Problem (3)

- Differential equation of cartpole problem

$$(M + m)\sin^2 \theta \cdot l \cdot \ddot{\theta} + m \cdot l \cdot \sin \theta \cos \theta \cdot \dot{\theta}^2 - (M + m) \cdot g \cdot \sin \theta = -F \cdot \cos \theta$$

- Compute  $F(t)$  such that  $\theta(t)$  and  $\dot{\theta}(t)$  converge towards zero quickly
- Physical analysis demands knowledge about physical process

# Problems of Classical Approach

- Often very difficult or even impossible to specify accurate mathematical model
- Description with differential equations is very complex
- Profound physical knowledge is needed
- Exact solution can be very difficult
- It should be possible to control a process without a physical-mathematical model  
e.g. human being knows how to ride bike without knowing existence of differential equations

# Fuzzy Approach

- Simulate behavior of human who knows how to control
- That is a *knowledge-based* analysis
- Directly ask expert to perform analysis
- Then expert specifies knowledge as *linguistic rules*  
e.g. for cartpole problem:  
“If  $\theta$  is approximately zero and  $\dot{\theta}$  is also approximately zero,  
then F has to be approximately zero, too”



# Fuzzy Approach: Fuzzy Partitioning (1)

- Formulate a set of linguistic rules
  - Determine linguistic terms (represented by fuzzy sets)  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  and  $Y$  is partitioned into fuzzy sets
  - Define  $p_1$  distinct fuzzy sets  $\mu_1^{(1)}, \dots, \mu_{p_1}^{(1)} \in \mathcal{F}(X_1)$  on set  $X_1$
  - Associate linguistic term with each set

## Fuzzy Approach: Fuzzy Partitioning (2)

- Set  $X_1$  corresponds to interval  $[a, b]$  of real line, then  $\mu_1^{(1)}, \dots, \mu_{p_1}^{(1)} \in \mathcal{F}(X_1)$  are triangular functions

$$\mu_{x_0, \varepsilon}: [a, b] \rightarrow [0, 1]$$

$$x \mapsto 1 - \min\{\varepsilon \cdot |x - x_0|, 1\}$$

If  $a < x_1 < \dots < x_{p_1} < b$ , only  $\mu_2^{(1)}, \dots, \mu_{p_1-1}^{(1)}$  are triangular

- Boundaries are treated differently

# Fuzzy Approach: Fuzzy Partitioning (3)

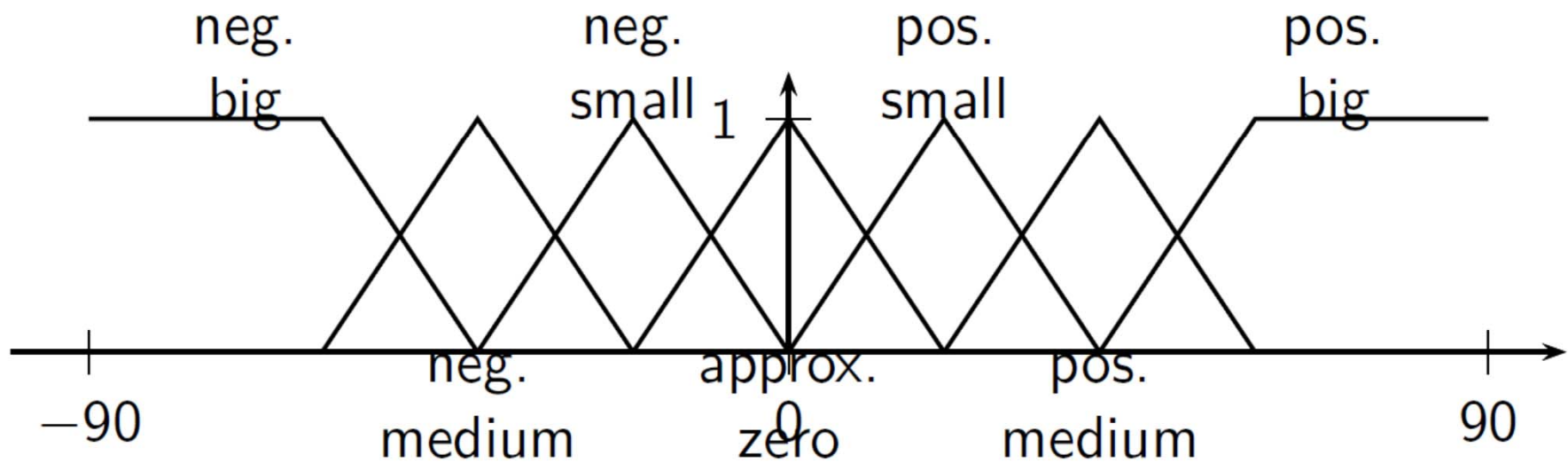
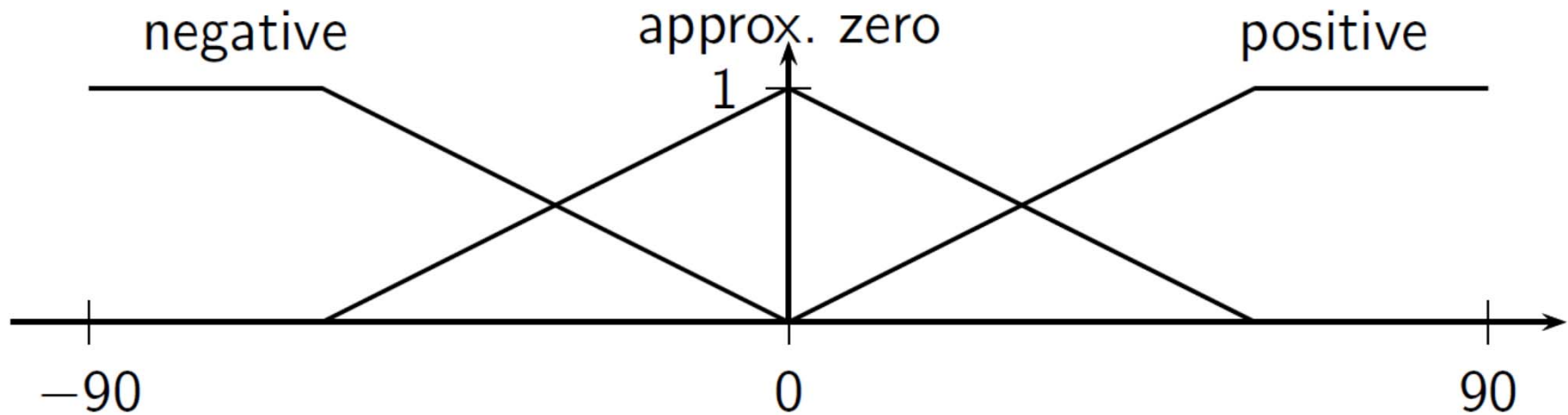
- left fuzzy set:

$$\mu_1^{(1)}: [a, b] \rightarrow [0, 1]$$
$$x \mapsto \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x \leq x_1 \\ 1 - \min\{\varepsilon \cdot (x - x_1), 1\}, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- right fuzzy set:

$$\mu_{p_1}^{(1)}: [a, b] \rightarrow [0, 1]$$
$$x \mapsto \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x_{p_1} \leq x \\ 1 - \min\{\varepsilon \cdot (x_{p_1} - x), 1\}, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

# Coarse and Fine Fuzzy Partitions



## Example: Cartpole Problem (4)

- $X_1$  partitioned into 7 fuzzy sets
  - Support of fuzzy sets: intervals with length  $1/4$  of whole range  $X_1$
  - Similar fuzzy partitions for  $X_2$  and  $Y$
- Specify rules
  - if  $\xi_1$  is  $A^{(1)}$  and . . . and  $\xi_n$  is  $A^{(n)}$  then  $\eta$  is  $B$ ,  
 $A^{(1)}, \dots, A^{(n)}$  and  $B$  represent linguistic terms  
corresponding to  $\mu^{(1)}, \dots, \mu^{(n)}$  and  $\mu$  according to  $X_1, \dots, X_n$   
and  $Y$
  - Rule base consists of  $k$  rules

# Example: Cartpole Problem (5)

		$\theta$						
		nb	nm	ns	az	ps	pm	pb
$\dot{\theta}$	nb			ps	pb			
	nm				pm			
	ns	nm		ns	ps			
	az	nb	nm	ns	az	ps	pm	pb
	ps				ns	ps		pm
	pm				nm			
	pb				nb	ns		

- 19 rules for cartpole problem, often not necessary to determine all table entries e.g.

If  $\theta$  is *approximately zero* and  $\dot{\theta}$  is *negative medium* then  $F$  is *positive medium*

# Fuzzy Approach: Challenge

- How to define function  $\varphi : X \rightarrow Y$  that fits to rule set?
- Idea:
  - Represent set of rules as fuzzy relation
  - Specify desired table-based controller by this fuzzy relation

# Fuzzy Relation

- Consider only crisp sets

Solving control problem means specifying control function

$$\varphi : X \rightarrow Y$$

$\varphi$  corresponds to relation

$$R_\varphi = \{(x, \varphi(x)) \mid x \in X\} \subseteq X \times Y$$

For measured input  $x \in X$ , control value

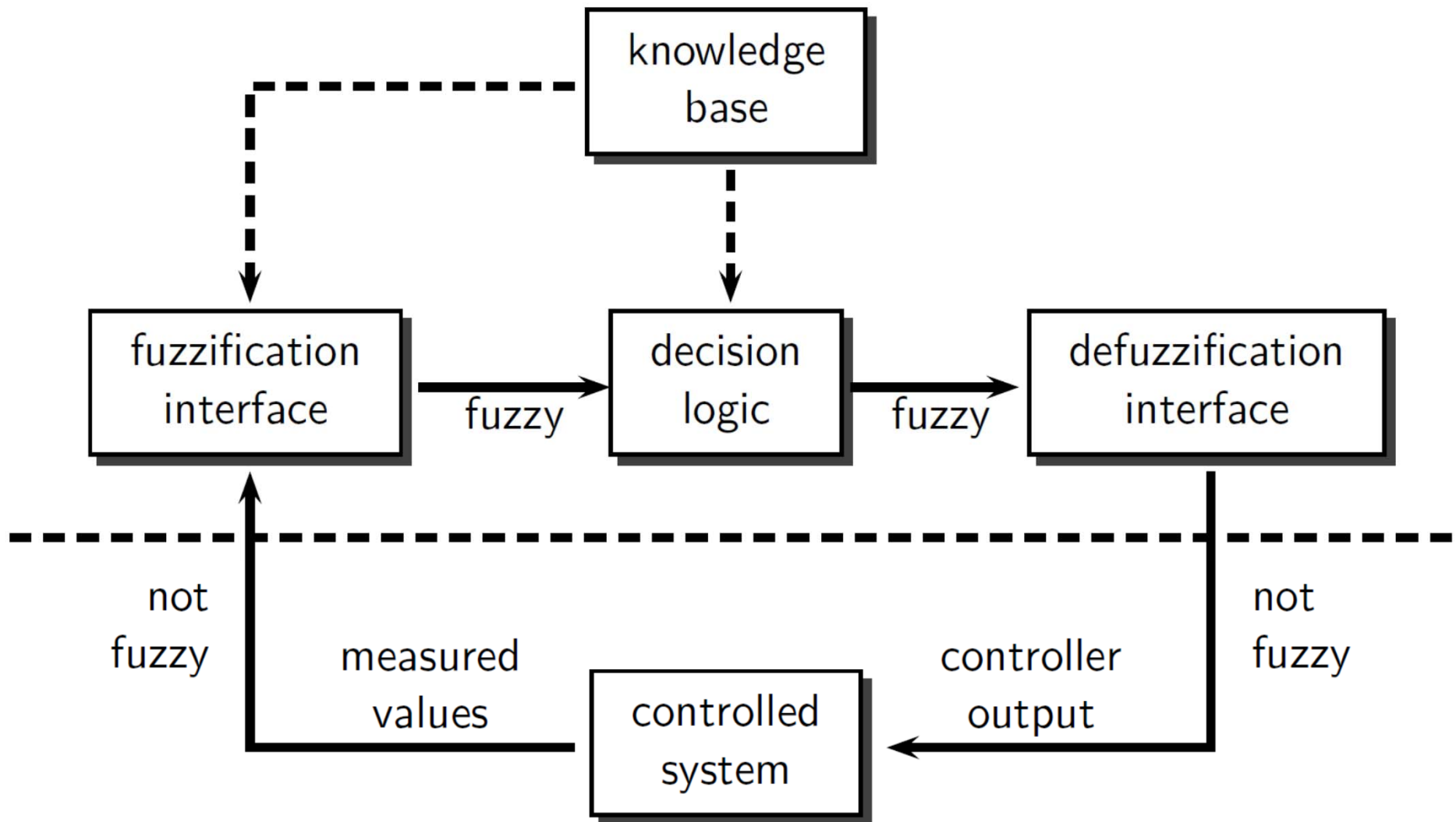
$$\{\varphi(x)\} = \{x\} \circ R_\varphi$$



# Fuzzy Control Rules

- **If** temperature is very high **and** pressure is slightly low,  
**then** heat change should be slightly negative
- **If** rate of descent = positive big **and** airspeed = negative big **and** glide slope = positive big,  
**then** rpm change = positive big **and** elevator angle change = insignificant change

# Architecture of a Fuzzy Controller (1)



# Architecture of a Fuzzy Controller

- *Fuzzification interface*
  - receives current input value (eventually maps it to suitable domain)
  - converts input value into linguistic term or into fuzzy set
- *Knowledge base* (consists of data base and rule base)
  - Data base contains information about boundaries, possible domain transformations, and fuzzy sets with corresponding linguistic terms
  - Rule base contains linguistic control rules
- *Decision logic* (represents processing unit)
  - computes output from measured input according to knowledge base
- *Defuzzification interface* (represents processing unit)
  - determines crisp output value  
(and eventually maps it back to appropriate domain)

# Fuzzy Rule Bases

# Approximate Reasoning with Fuzzy Rules

- General schema

Rule 1:           if  $X$  is  $M_1$ , then  $Y$  is  $N_1$

Rule 2:           if  $X$  is  $M_2$ , then  $Y$  is  $N_2$

...                   ...

Rule  $r$ :           if  $X$  is  $M_r$ , then  $Y$  is  $N_r$

Fact:              $X$  is  $M'$

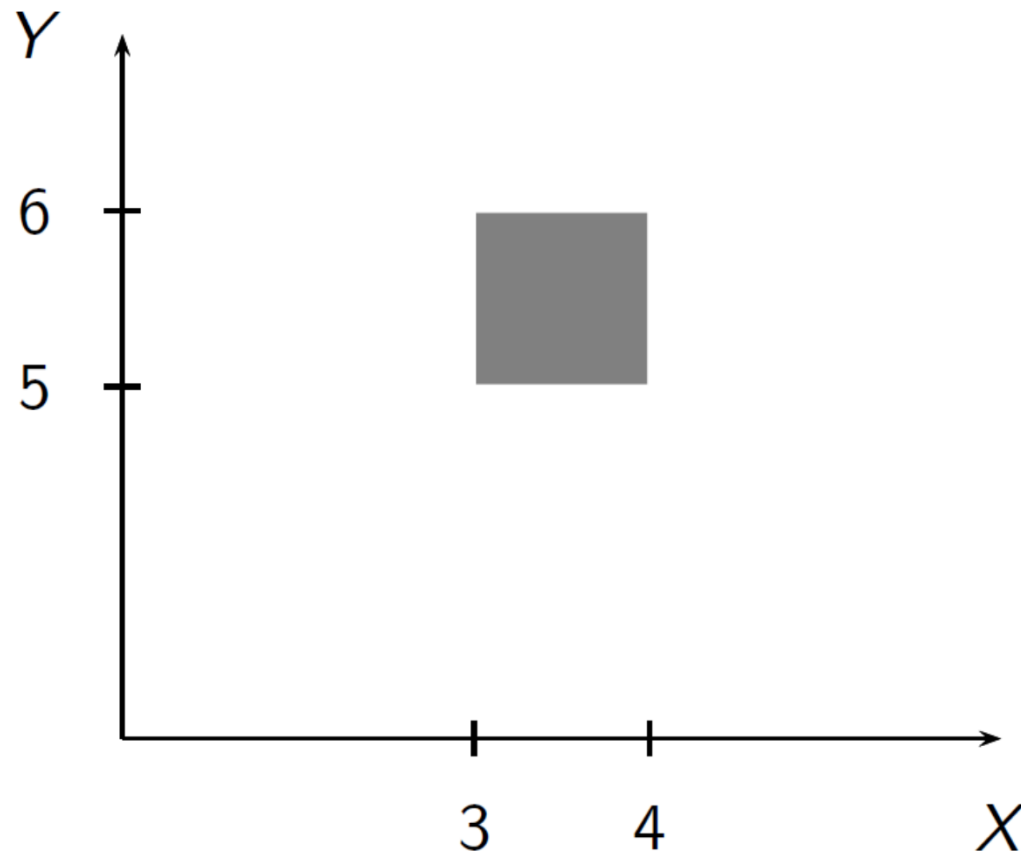
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Conclusion:     $Y$  is  $N'$

- Given  $r$  **if-then rules** and fact " $X$  is  $M'$ ", we conclude " $Y$  is  $N'$ ".
- Typically used in **fuzzy controllers**

# Approximate Reasoning: Disjunctive Imprecise Rule (1)

- Imprecise rule: **if**  $X = [3, 4]$  **then**  $Y = [5, 6]$
- Interpretation: values coming from  $[3, 4] \times [5, 6]$

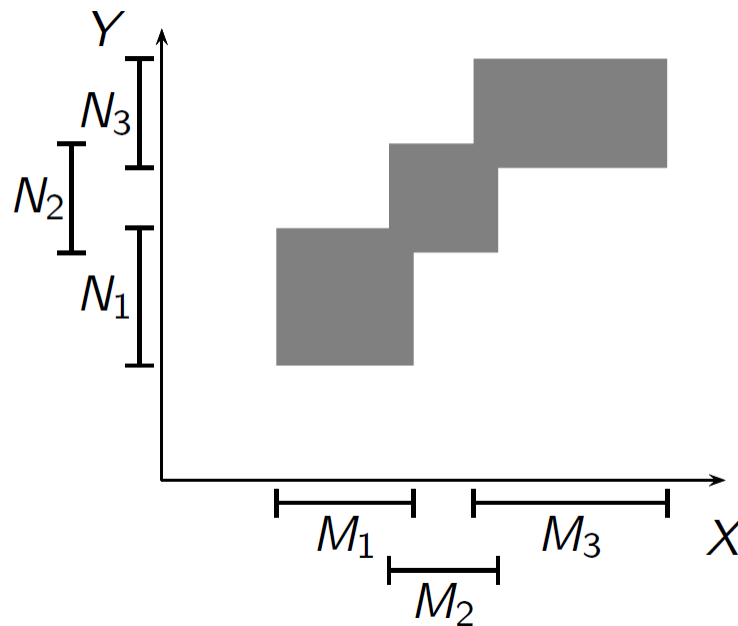


# Approximate Reasoning: Disjunctive Imprecise Rules (2)

- Several imprecise rules

- if  $X = M_1$  then  $Y = N_1$
- if  $X = M_2$  then  $Y = N_2$
- if  $X = M_3$  then  $Y = N_3$

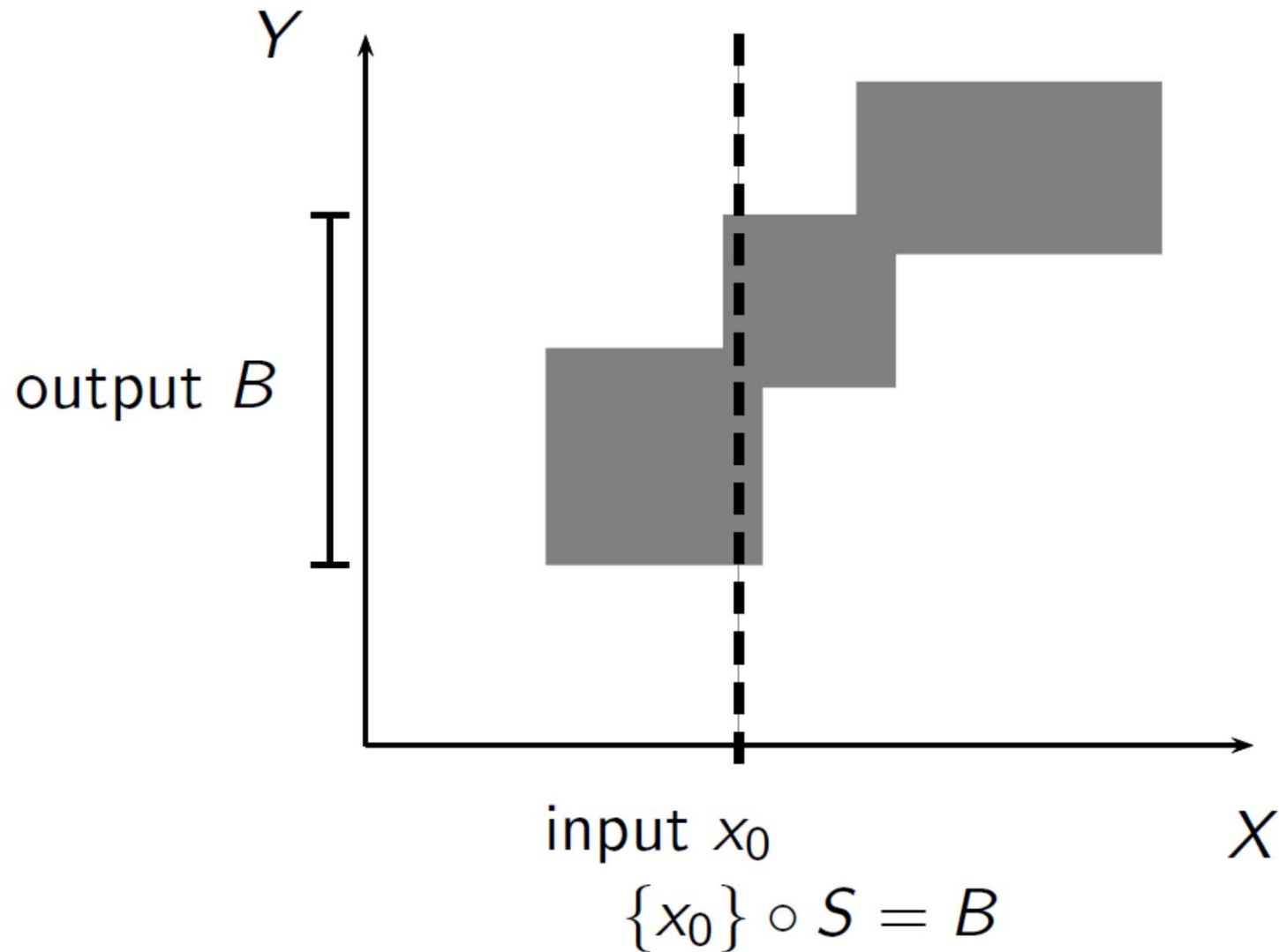
Interpretation: rule 1 as well as rule 2 as well as rule 3 hold true



$$S = \bigcup_{i=1}^r M_i \times N_i$$

“patchwork rug”  
describing function’s  
behavior as indicator  
function

# Approximate Reasoning: Conclusion

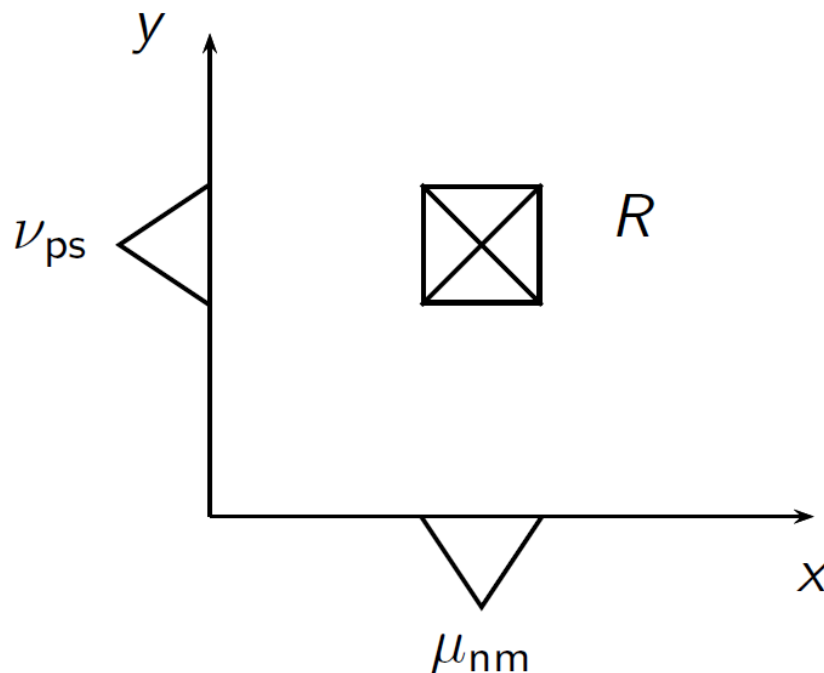




# Approximate Reasoning: Disjunctive Fuzzy Rules (1)

one fuzzy rule:

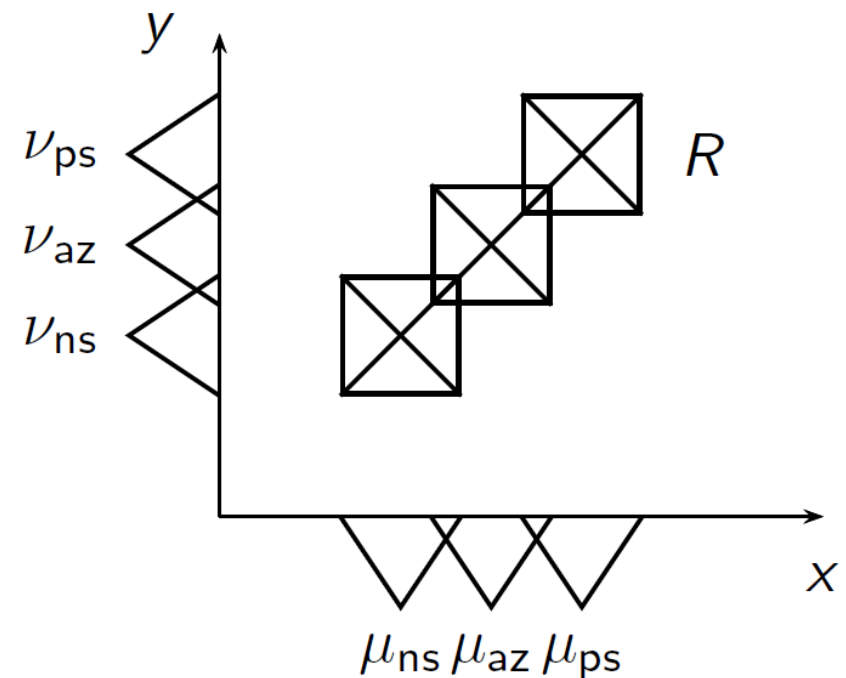
**if**  $X = nm$  **then**  $Y = ps$



$$R = \mu_{nm} \times \nu_{ps}$$

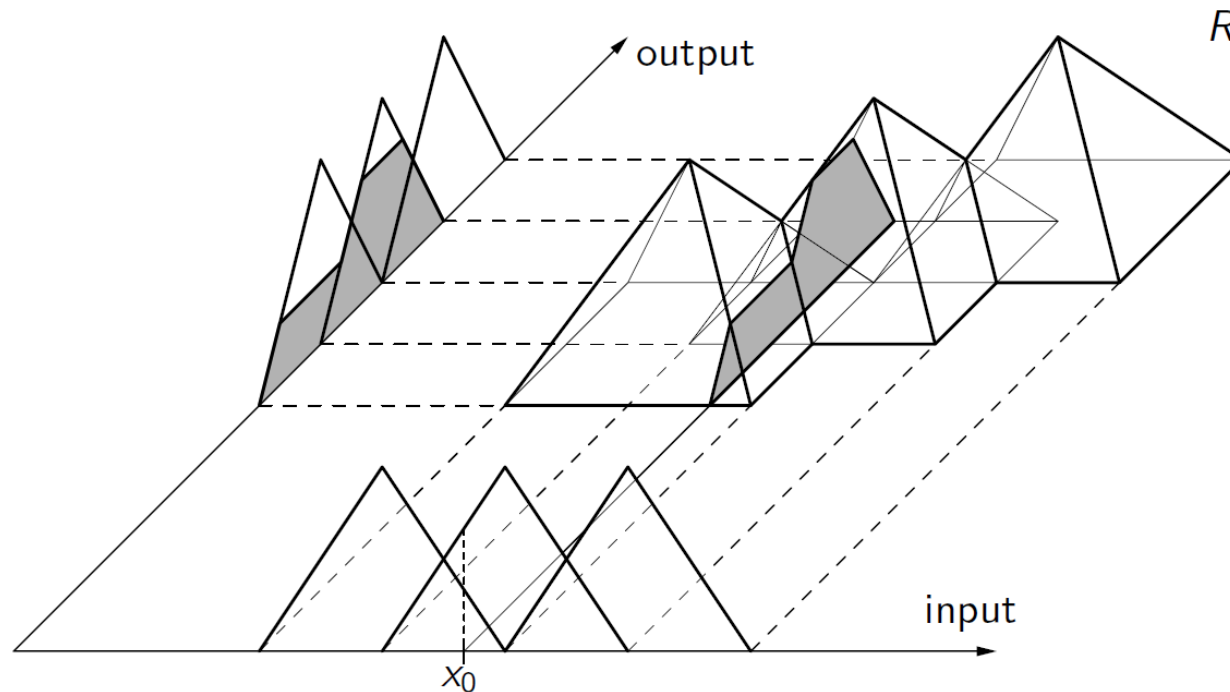
several fuzzy rules:

$ns \rightarrow ns', az \rightarrow az', ps \rightarrow ps'$



$$R = \mu_{ns} \times \nu_{ns'} \cup \mu_{az} \times \nu_{az'} \cup \mu_{ps} \times \nu_{ps'}$$

# Approximate Reasoning: Disjunctive Fuzzy Rules (2)



- 3 fuzzy rules
- Every pyramid is specified by 1 fuzzy rule (Cartesian product)
- Input  $x_0$  leads to gray-shaded fuzzy output  $\{x_0\} \circ R$

# Disjunctive or Conjunctive? (1)

- Fuzzy relation  $R$  employed in reasoning is obtained as follows

- For each rule  $i$ , we determine relation  $R_i$  by

$$R_i(x, y) = \min[M_i(x), N_i(y)] \quad \text{for all } x \in X, y \in Y$$

- $R$  is defined by union of  $R_i$ , i.e.

$$R = \cup_{1 \leq i \leq r} R_i$$

if-then rules are treated **disjunctive**

- If-then rules can be also treated **conjunctive** by

$$R = \cap_{1 \leq i \leq r} R_i$$

## Disjunctive or Conjunctive? (2)

- Decision depends on intended use and how  $R_i$  are obtained
- For both interpretations, two possible ways of applying composition

$$B'_1 = A' \circ (\cup_{1 \leq i \leq r} R_i)$$

$$B'_3 = \cup_{1 \leq i \leq r} A' \circ R_i$$

$$B'_2 = A' \circ (\cap_{1 \leq i \leq r} R_i)$$

$$B'_4 = \cap_{1 \leq i \leq r} A' \circ R_i$$

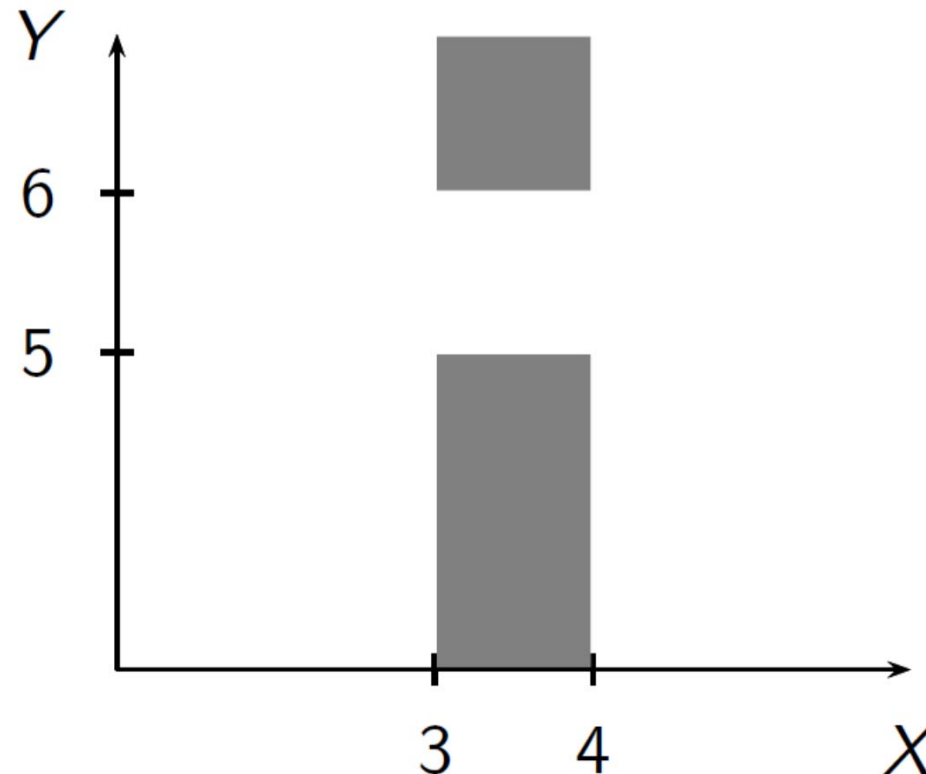
- Theorem

$$B'_2 \subseteq B'_4 \subseteq B'_1 = B'_3$$

This holds for any continuous  $\tau$  used in composition

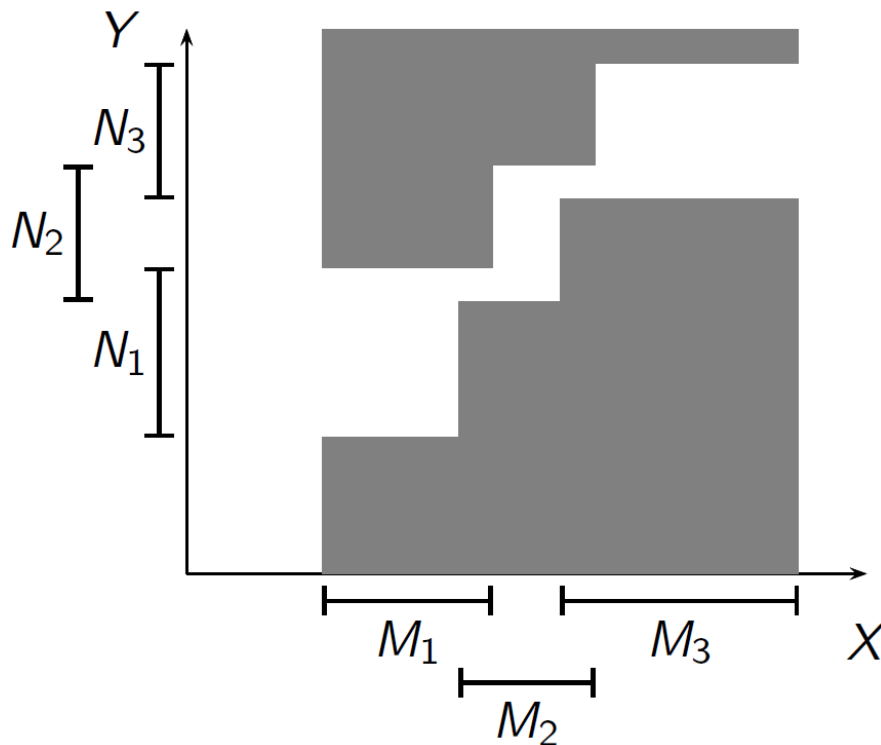
# Approximate Reasoning: Conjunctive Imprecise Rules (1)

- **if**  $X = [3, 4]$  **then**  $Y = [5, 6]$
- Gray-shaded values are impossible, white ones are possible



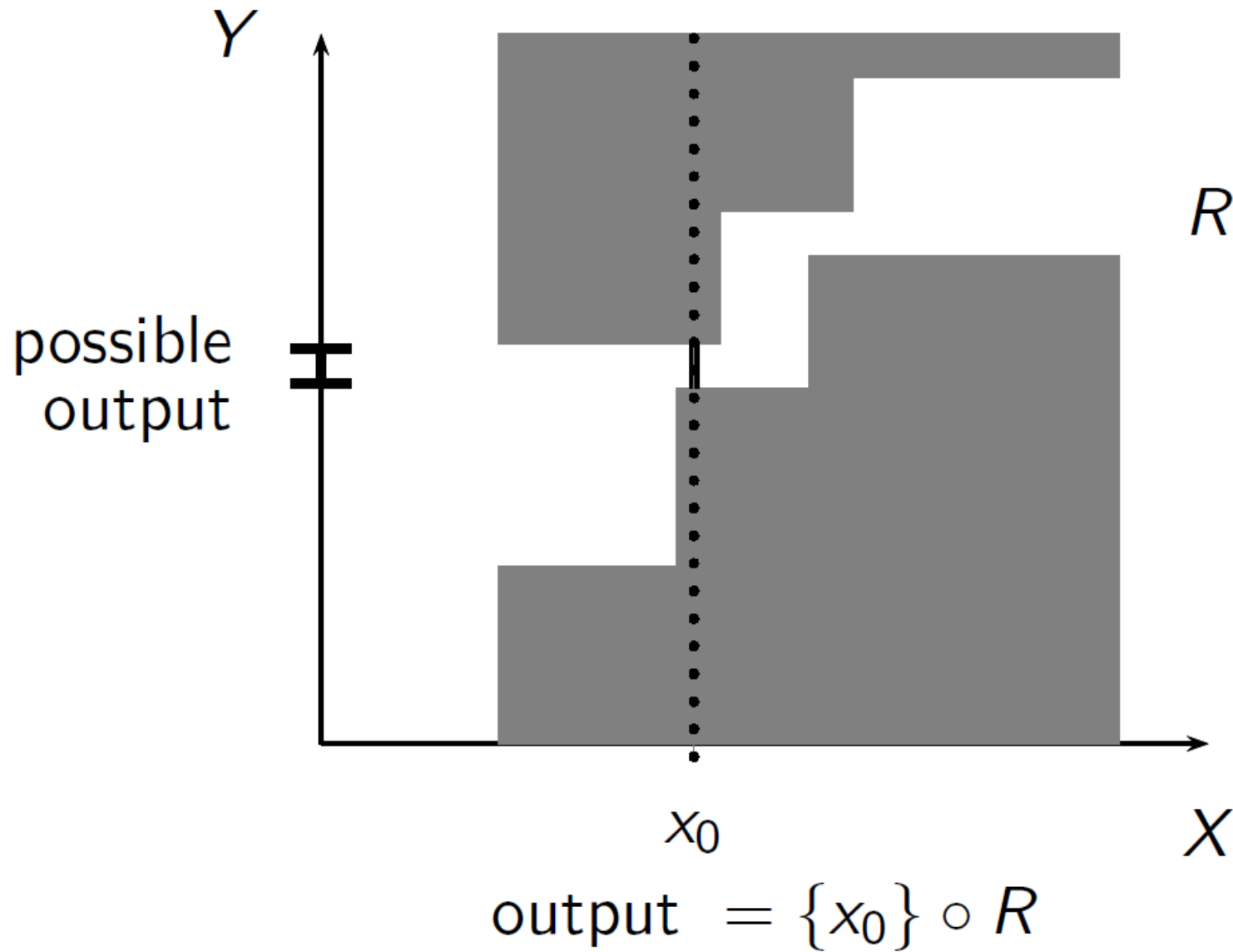
# Approximate Reasoning: Conjunctive Imprecise Rules (2)

- Several imprecise rules
  - if  $X = M_1$  then  $Y = N_1$
  - if  $X = M_2$  then  $Y = N_2$
  - if  $X = M_3$  then  $Y = N_3$



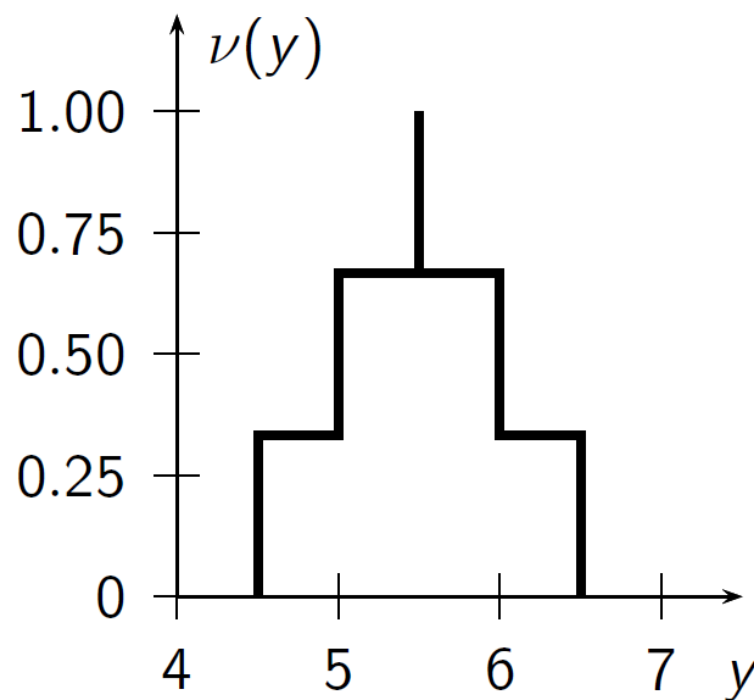
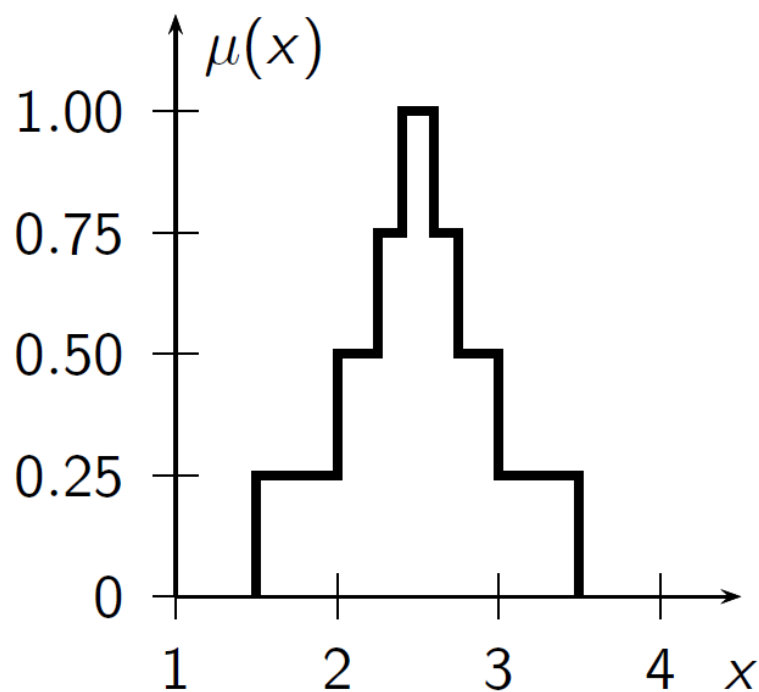
Still possible are  
$$R = \bigcap_{i=1}^r (M_i \times N_i) \cup (M_i^c \times Y)$$
  
“corridor” describing  
function’s behavior

# Approximate Reasoning with Crisp Input



# Generalization to Fuzzy Rules

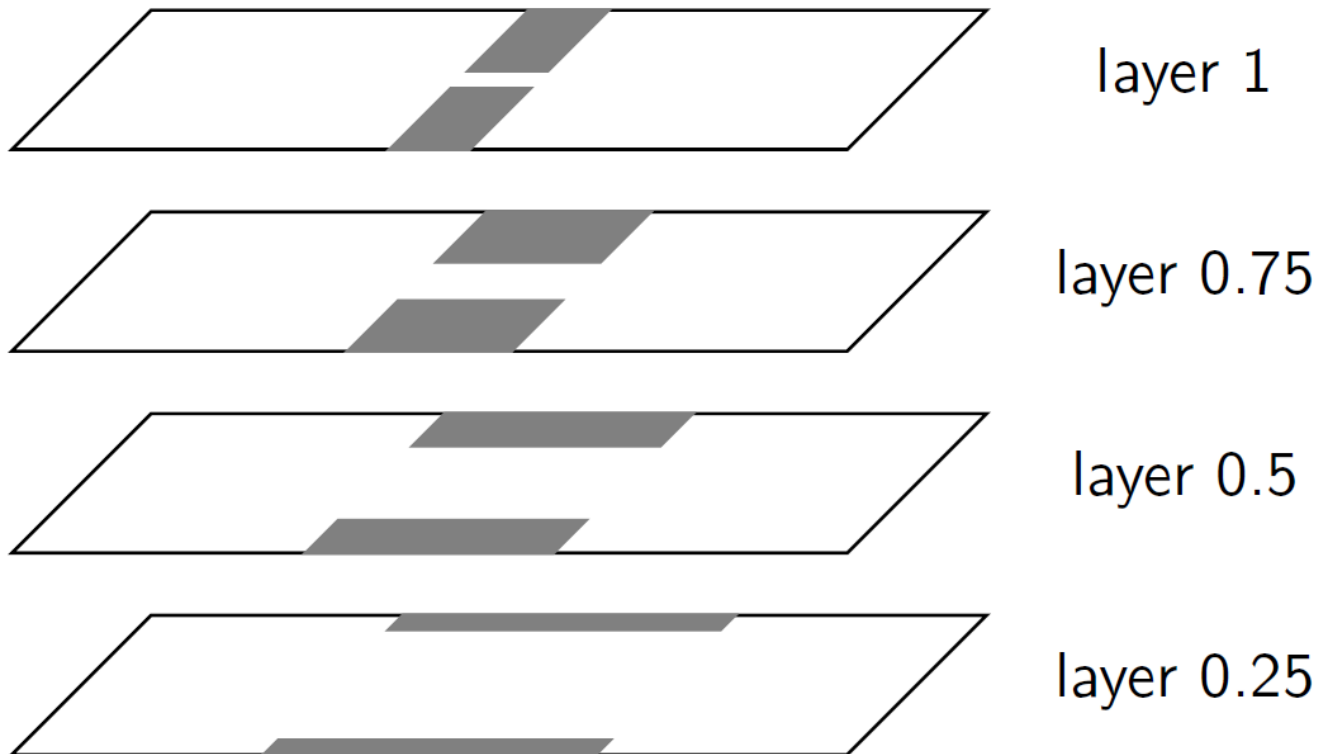
- **if  $X$  is approx. 2.5 then  $Y$  is approx. 5.5**





# Modeling a Fuzzy Rule in Layers

$$R_1 : \text{if } X = \mu_{M_1} \text{ then } Y = v_{B_1}$$



$$\mu_{R_1} : X \times Y \rightarrow [0, 1], I(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \mu_{M_1}(x) \leq v_{B_1}(y) \\ v_{B_1}(y), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

# Conjunctive Fuzzy Rule Base

$R_1 : \text{if } X = \mu_{M_1} \text{ then } Y = v_{B_1}, \dots,$

$R_n : \text{if } X = \mu_{M_n} \text{ then } Y = v_{B_n}$



$$\mu_R = \min_{1 \leq i \leq r} \mu_{R_i}$$

Input  $\mu_A$ , then output  $\eta$  with

$$\eta(y) = \sup_{x \in X} \min\{\mu_A(x), \mu_R(x, y)\}$$

## Example: Fuzzy Relation

- Classes of cars  $X = \{s, m, h\}$   
(small, medium, high quality)
- Possible maximum speeds  
 $Y = \{140, 160, 180, 200, 220\}$  (in km/h)
- For any  $(x, y) \in X \times Y$ , fuzzy relation  $\varrho$  states possibility that maximum speed of car of class  $x$  is  $y$

$\varrho$	140	160	180	200	220
s	1	.5	.1	0	0
m	0	.5	1	.5	0
h	0	0	.4	.8	1

# Fuzzy Relational Equations

- Given  $\mu_1, \dots, \mu_r$  of  $X$  and  $\nu_1, \dots, \nu_r$  of  $Y$  and  $r$  rules  
**if**  $\mu_i$  **then**  $\nu_i$
- What is a fuzzy relation  $\varrho$  that fits the rule system?
- One solution is to find a relation  $\varrho$  such that

$$\forall i \in \{1, \dots, r\} : \nu_i = \mu_i \circ \varrho$$

$$\mu \circ \varrho : Y \rightarrow [0, 1], \quad y \mapsto \sup_{x \in X} \min\{\mu(x), \varrho(x, y)\}$$

# Solution of a Relational Equation

- Theorem

1. Let “if  $A$  then  $B$ ” be a rule with  $\mu_A \in F(X)$  and  $\nu_B \in F(Y)$

The relational equation  $\nu_B = \mu_A \circ \varrho$  can be solved iff the Gödel relation  $\varrho_{A \odot B}$  is a solution.

$\varrho_{A \odot B} : X \times Y \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is defined by

$$(x, y) \mapsto \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \mu_A(x) \leq \nu_B(y) \\ \nu_B(y), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

2. If  $\varrho$  is a solution, then the set of solutions

$R = \{\varrho_S \in \mathcal{F}(X \times Y) \mid \nu_B = \mu_A \circ \varrho_S\}$  has the following property: If  $\varrho_{S'} \in R$ , then  $\varrho_{S'} \cup \varrho_{S''} \in R$

3. If  $\varrho_{A \odot B}$  is a solution, then  $\varrho_{A \odot B}$  is the largest solution w.r.t.  $\subseteq$

# Example

$$\mu_A = ( \ .9 \quad 1 \quad .7 \ )$$

$$\nu_B = ( \ 1 \quad .4 \quad .8 \quad .7 \ )$$

$$\varrho_{A \odot B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & .4 & .8 & .7 \\ 1 & .4 & .8 & .7 \\ 1 & .4 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\varrho_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & .7 \\ 1 & .4 & .8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

	1	.4	.8	.7
	1	.4	.8	.7
	1	.4	1	1
.9 \quad 1 \quad .7	1	.4	.8	.7

$$\varrho_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & .4 & .8 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & .7 \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\varrho_{A \odot B}$  largest solution,  $\varrho_1, \varrho_2$  are two minimal solutions
- Solution space forms upper semilattice

# Solution of a Set of Relational Equations

- Generalization of this result to system of  $r$  relational equations
- Theorem
  - Let  $\nu_{B_i} = \mu_{A_i} \circ \varrho$  for  $i = 1, \dots, r$  be a system of relational equations
    1. There is a solution iff  $\cap_{i=1}^r \varrho_{A_i} \odot B_i$  is a solution
    2. If  $\cap_{i=1}^r \varrho_{A_i} \odot B_i$  is a solution, then this solution is the biggest solution
  - Remark: if there is no solution, then Gödel relation is often at least a good approximation

# Solving a System of Relational Equations

- Sometimes it is a good choice not to use the largest but a smaller solution  
i.e. the Cartesian product  $\varrho_{A \times B}(x, y) = \min\{\mu_A(x), \nu_B(y)\}$   
If a solution of the relational equation  $\nu_B = \mu_A \circ \varrho$  for  $\varrho$  exists, then  $\varrho_{A \times B}$  is a solution, too
- Theorem
  - Let  $\mu_A \in \mathcal{F}(X)$ ,  $\nu_B \in \mathcal{F}(Y)$ . Furthermore, let  $\varrho \in F(X \times Y)$  be a fuzzy relation which satisfies the relational equation  $\nu_B = \mu_A \circ \varrho$
  - Then  $\nu_B = \mu_A \circ \varrho_{A \times B}$  holds



# Solving a System of Relational Equations by Using Cartesian product

- $\mu_{A_i} = \nu_{B_i} \circ \varrho$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq r$  can be reasonably solved with  $A \times B$  by

$$\varrho = \max\{\varrho_{A_i \times B_i} \mid 1 \leq i \leq r\}$$

- For crisp value  $x_0 \in X$  (represented by  $1_{\{x_0\}}$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \nu(y) &= (1_{\{x_0\}} \circ \varrho)(y) \\ &= \max_{1 \leq i \leq r} \left\{ \sup_{x \in X} \min\{1_{\{x_0\}}(x), \varrho_{A_i \times B_i}(x, y)\} \right\} \\ &= \max_{1 \leq i \leq r} \left\{ \min\{\mu_{A_i}(x_0), \nu_{B_i}(y)\} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

- This solution is the Mamdani-Assilian fuzzy control