## **Everything about Reasoning with Uncertainty**

To construct an RBS find ways of reasoning when there is uncertainty

## **Certainty Factors**

A certainty factor (CF or Confidence Factor) involves a measure which represents a level of confidence that some condition is true

Can be expressed as percentages or numbers

Rules can have CFs associated with them

## **Condition Combination using AND or OR**

CF(A and B) = min CF(A), CF(B)CF(A or B) = max CF(A), CF(B)

IF  $\bf P$  THEN  $\bf Q$  @  $\bf N$  - The CF of the conclusion Q is determined by combining the CF of the premise P and the CF of the rule N.

 $CF(\mathbf{Q}) = CF(\mathbf{P}) \times \mathbf{N}/100$ 

## **Combining Rules**

It may happen that a conclusion is supported by more than one rule

Calculate overall CF using:

CF(C) = CF1 + CF2(100-CF1)/100

Order is not important