



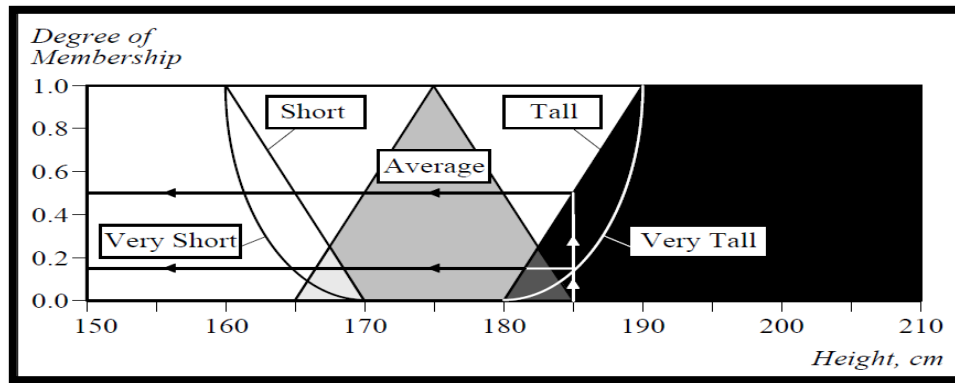
Neural Networks and Fuzzy Logic (630514)

Lecture 19

Operations and rules of fuzzy sets

Linguistic variables and hedges:

- **Linguistic Variables:** Linguistic variables are the **input or output** variables of the system whose values are words from a natural language, instead of numerical values. The fuzzy set theory is rooted in linguistic variables.
- A linguistic variable is a fuzzy variable. For example:
 - The statement “**John is tall**” implies that the *linguistic variable John* takes the *linguistic Value tall*.
- The range of possible values of a linguistic variable represents the **universe of discourse** of that variable.
 - For example, the universe of discourse of the linguistic variable **speed** might be the range between **0 and 220 km/h** and may include such fuzzy subsets as **very slow, slow, medium, fast, and very fast**.
- A linguistic variable carries with it the concept of **fuzzy set qualifiers**, called **hedges**.
- **Hedges** are terms that modify the shape of fuzzy sets. They include adverbs such as **very, somewhat, quite, more or less** and **slightly**.
- **Hedges** act as **operations** themselves, For instance.
 - **Very** performs **concentration** and *creates a new subset*. From the set of tall men, it derives the subset of very tall men. **Extremely** serves the same purpose to a *greater extent*.
 - **More or less** performs **dilation**; for example, the set of more or less tall men is broader than the set of tall men (dilation is an operation opposite to concentration. It expands the set).
 - **Indeed**, the operation of **intensification**, it can be done by **increasing** the degree of membership above **0.5** and **decreasing** those below **0.5**.
- **Hedges** are useful as **operations**, but they can also break down continuums into fuzzy intervals:
 - For example, the following hedges could be used to describe temperature: **very cold, moderately cold, slightly cold, neutral, slightly hot, moderately hot and very hot**.
- Hedges often used in practical applications:
 - **Very**, *the operation of concentration*, it reduces the degree of membership of fuzzy elements using a mathematical square equation, for example: **0.86** membership in the set of tall men will be **0.7396** membership in the set of very tall men.

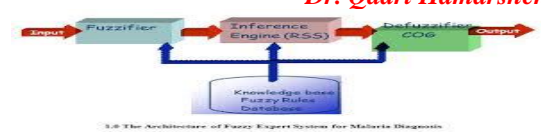


Fuzzy sets with the hedge very

- **Extremely**, same purpose as **very**, for example: **0.86** membership in the set of tall men will be **0.6361** membership in the set of extremely tall men.
- **Very very**, an extension of concentration, for example: **0.86** membership in the set of tall men will be **0.5470** in the set of very very tall men.
- **More or less**, the operation of **dilation expands a set and increases the degree of membership**, for example: **0.86** membership in the set of tall men will be **0.9274** membership in the set of more or less tall men.
- **Indeed**, the operation of **intensification**, it can be done by **increasing** the degree of membership above **0.5** and **decreasing** those below **0.5**. For example: **0.86** membership in the set of tall men will be **0.9608** membership in the set of indeed tall men and **0.24** membership in tall men set, will have a **0.1152** membership in the indeed tall men set.
- In the next figure the **hedges, mathematical expression** and **graphical representation** are presented.

Representation of hedges in fuzzy logic:

Hedge	Mathematical Expression	Graphical Representation
A little	$[\mu_A(x)]^{1.3}$	
Slightly	$[\mu_A(x)]^{1.7}$	
Very	$[\mu_A(x)]^2$	
Extremely	$[\mu_A(x)]^3$	

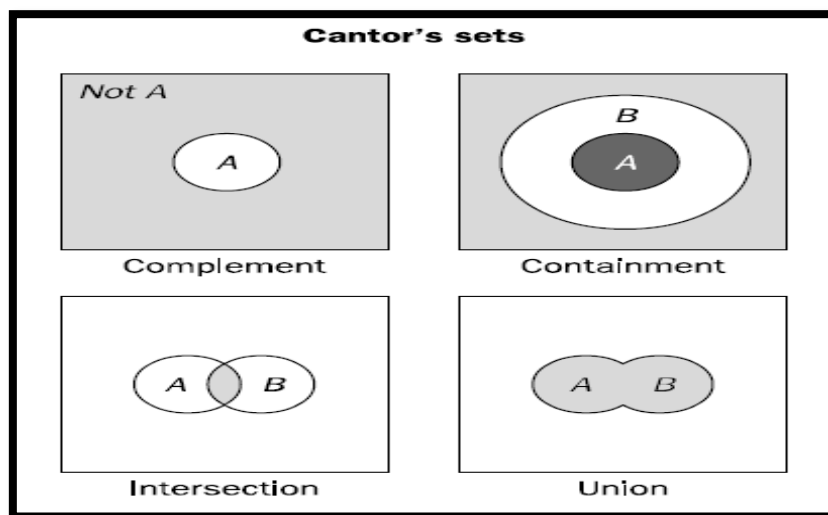


Hedge	Mathematical Expression	Graphical Representation
Very very	$[\mu_A(x)]^4$	
More or less	$\sqrt{\mu_A(x)}$	
Somewhat	$\sqrt{\mu_A(x)}$	
Indeed	$\begin{aligned} &2 [\mu_A(x)]^2 \\ &\text{if } 0 \leq \mu_A \leq 0.5 \\ &1 - 2 [1 - \mu_A(x)]^2 \\ &\text{if } 0.5 < \mu_A \leq 1 \end{aligned}$	

Example: for Alex is tall, $\mu = .86$, Alex is very tall, $\mu = \mu^2 = .74$, Alex is very very tall, $\mu = \mu^4 = .55$.

Operations of fuzzy sets:

- The classical set theory describes interactions between crisp sets. These interactions are called **operations**.
- **Cantor's sets:**



Operations on classical sets

1) Complement:

- **Crisp Sets:** *Who does not belong to the set?*
- **Fuzzy Sets:** *How much do elements not belong to the set?*
- It defined as the collection of all elements in the universe that do not reside in the set A.

$$\bar{A} = \{x/x \notin A, x \in X\}.$$

- The complement of a set is an opposite of this set. For example, if we have the set of tall men, its complement is the set of NOT tall men. If **A** is the fuzzy set, its complement $\neg A$ can be found as follows:

$$\mu_{\neg A}(x) = 1 - \mu_A(x)$$

- **Example:** given a fuzzy set of tall men

Tall men (0/180, 0.25/182.5, 0.5/185, 0.75/187.5, 1/190)

- the fuzzy set of NOT tall men will be:

NOT tall men (1/180, 0.75/182.5, 0.5/185, 0.25/187.5, 0/190)



2) Containment:

- **Crisp Sets:** *Which sets belong to which other sets?*
- **Fuzzy Sets:** *Which sets belong to other sets?*
- A set can contain other sets. The smaller set is called the **subset**.
 - For example, the set of **tall men** contains all tall men; **very tall men** is a subset of **tall men**. However, the **tall men** set is just a subset of the set of **men**.
 - **In crisp sets**, all elements of a subset entirely belong to a larger set.
 - **In fuzzy sets**, however, each element can belong less to the subset than to the larger set.
 - The two sets **A** and **B** in universe, if one set (**A**) is contained in another set **B**, then

$$A \subseteq B \rightarrow \mu_A(x) \leq \mu_B(x)$$

- **Example:**

Tall men	(0/180, 0.25/182.5, 0.50/185, 0.75/187.5, 1/190)
Very tall men	(0/180, 0.06/182.5, 0.25/185, 0.56/187.5, 1/190)

3) Intersection:

- **Crisp Sets:** *Which element belongs to both sets?*
- **Fuzzy Sets:** *To what degree the element is in both sets?*
- **In classical set** theory, an intersection between two sets contains the elements shared by these sets.
 - For example, the intersection of the set of **tall men** and the set of **fat men** is the area where these sets overlap.
 - It represents all those elements in the universe **X** that simultaneously reside in (or belongs to) both sets **A** and **B**.

$$\mathbf{A \cap B = \{x/x \in A \text{ and } x \in B\}.}$$

- **In fuzzy sets**, an element may partly belong to both sets with different memberships.
 - A fuzzy intersection is the lower membership in both sets of each element. The fuzzy intersection of two fuzzy sets **A** and **B** on universe of discourse **X**:

$$\mu_{A \cap B}(x) = \min [\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x)] = \mu_A(x) \cap \mu_B(x), \text{ where } x \in X$$

- **Example:**

Tall men	(0/165, 0/175, 0.0/180, 0.25/182.5, 0.5/185, 1/190)
Average men	(0/165, 1/175, 0.5/180, 0.25/182.5, 0.0/185, 0/190)

The intersection of these two sets is:

$$\mathbf{Tall\ men \cap average\ men\ (0/165, 0/175, 0/180, 0.25/182.5, 0/185, 0/190)}$$

Or

$$\mathbf{Tall\ men \cap average\ men\ (0/180, 0.25/182.5, 0/185)}$$

4) Union

- **Crisp Sets:** *Which element belongs to either set?*
- **Fuzzy Sets:** *How much of the element is in either set?*



- In classical set, **Union** represents all the elements in the universe that reside in either the set **A**, the set **B** or both sets **A** and **B**. This operation is called the **logical OR**.

$$A \cup B = \{x/x \in A \text{ or } x \in B\}.$$

- For example, the union of **tall men** and **fat men** contains all men who are **tall OR fat**.
- In **fuzzy sets**, the union is the reverse of the intersection. That is, the union is the **largest** membership value of the element in either set.
 - The fuzzy operation for forming the union of two fuzzy sets **A** and **B** on universe **X** can be given as:

$$\mu_{A \cup B}(x) = \max [\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x)] = \mu_A(x) \cup \mu_B(x), \text{ where } x \in X$$

● **Example:**

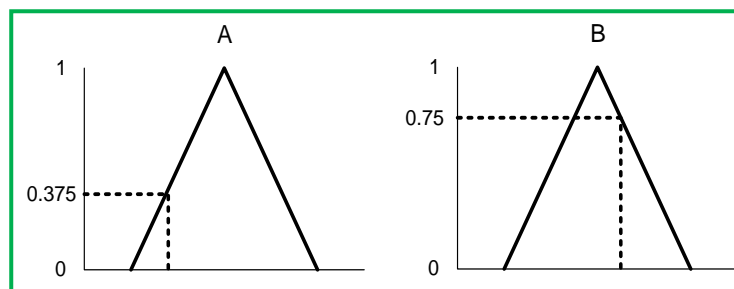
Tall men (0/165, 0/175, 0.0/180, 0.25/182.5, 0.5/185, 1/190)

Average men (0/165, 1/175, 0.5/180, 0.25/182.5, 0.0/185, 0/190)

The union of these two sets is:

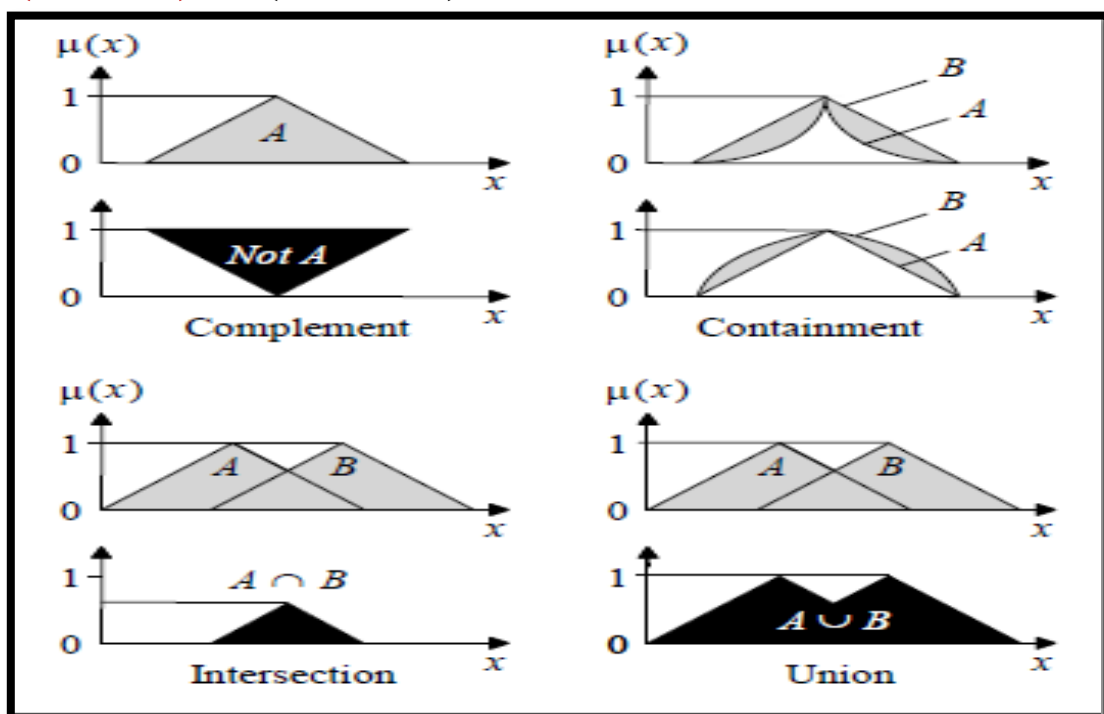
Tall men \cup **average men** (0/165, 1/175, 0.5/180, 0.25/182.5, 0.5/185, 1/190)

● **Example:**

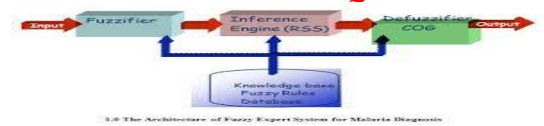


$$(A \vee B = C) \Rightarrow (C = 0.75)$$

$$(A \wedge B = C) \Rightarrow (C = 0.375)$$



Operations of fuzzy sets



Operations on fuzzy sets:

- **Crisp and fuzzy sets** have the **same properties**; frequently used properties of fuzzy sets are described below.

Consider two sets **A** and **B** defined on the universe **X**.

1) Commutativity:

$$A \cup B = B \cup A$$

$$A \cap B = B \cap A$$

○ Example:

Tall men **OR** short men = short men **OR** tall men

Tall men **AND** short men = short men **AND** tall men

2) Associativity:

$$A \cup (B \cup C) = (A \cup B) \cup C$$

$$A \cap (B \cap C) = (A \cap B) \cap C$$

○ Example:

- Tall men **OR** (short men **OR** average men) = (tall men **OR** short men) **OR** average men

- Tall men **AND** (short men **AND** average men) = (tall men **AND** short men) **AND** average men

3) Distributivity:

$$A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$$

$$A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$$

4) Idempotency:

$$A \cup A = A$$

$$A \cap A = A$$

5) Identity:

$$A \cup \emptyset = A$$

$$A \cap X = A$$

$$A \cap \emptyset = \emptyset$$

$$A \cup X = X.$$

○ Example:

- tall men **OR** undefined = tall men
- tall men **AND** unknown = tall men
- tall men **AND** undefined = undefined
- tall men **OR** unknown = unknown

Where

- **Undefined** is an empty (**null**) set, the set having all degree of memberships equal to 0.
- **Unknown** is a set having all degree of memberships equal to 1.

6) Transitivity:

If $A \subseteq B \subseteq C$, then $A \subseteq C$, \subseteq means contained.

- Every set contains the subsets of its subsets.

○ Example:

IF (extremely tall men \subseteq very tall men)

AND (very tall men \subseteq tall men)

THEN (extremely tall men \subseteq tall men)



7) Involution:

$$\neg(\neg A) = A$$

8) De Morgan's Law:

$$\overline{A \cap B} = \overline{A} \cup \overline{B}$$

$$\overline{A \cup B} = \overline{A} \cap \overline{B}$$

- Using fuzzy set operations, their properties and hedges, we can easily obtain a variety of fuzzy sets from the existing ones.
 - For example**, if we have fuzzy set **A** of tall men and fuzzy set **B** of short men, we can derive fuzzy sets:
 - C** of not very tall men and not very short men:

$$\mu_C(x) = [1 - \mu_A(x)^2] \cap [1 - (\mu_B(x))^2]$$

- D** of not very very tall and not very very short men:

$$\mu_D(x) = [1 - \mu_A(x)^4] \cap [1 - (\mu_B(x))^4]$$

Solved Example:

Given the classical sets,

$$A = \{9, 5, 6, 8, 10\}$$

$$B = \{1, 2, 3, 7, 9\}$$

$$C = \{1, 0\}$$

Defined on universe

$$X = \{\text{Set of all 'n' natural no}\}$$

Prove the classical set properties associativity.

Solution: The associative property is given by

$$1. A \cup (B \cup C) = (A \cup B) \cup C.$$

LHS

$$A \cup (B \cup C)$$

$$(a) B \cup C = \{2, 3, 7, 9, 1, 0\}.$$

$$(b) A \cup (B \cup C) = \{5, 6, 8, 10, 2, 3, 7, 9, 1, 0\}.$$

RHS

$$(A \cup B) \cup C$$

$$(a) (A \cup B) = \{9, 5, 6, 8, 10, 1, 2, 3, 7\}.$$

$$(b) (A \cup B) \cup C = \{9, 5, 6, 10, 8, 1, 2, 3, 7, 0\}.$$

$$\text{LHS} = \text{RHS}$$

$$A \cup (B \cup C) = (A \cup B) \cup C.$$

$$2. (A \cap (B \cap C)) = (A \cap B) \cap C$$

LHS

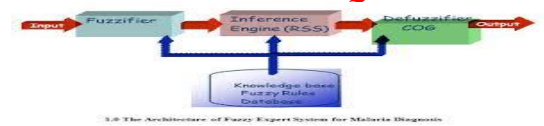
$$(a) (B \cap C) = \{1\}.$$

$$(b) A \cap (B \cap C) = \{\emptyset\}.$$

RHS

$$(A \cap B) \cap C$$

$$(a) (A \cap B) = \{9\}.$$



$$(b) (A \cap B) \cap C = \{\emptyset\}.$$

LHS = RHS

$$A \cap (B \cap C) = (A \cap B) \cap C.$$

Fuzzy rules:

- A **fuzzy rule** can be defined as a conditional statement in the form:

IF x is A THEN y is B

Where **x** and **y** are **linguistic variables**; and **A** and **B** are **linguistic values**.

- Antecedent** - The **initial** (or "if") part of a fuzzy rule.
- Consequent** - The **final** (or "then") part of a fuzzy rule.
- An example might be a **temperature controller**:

**If the break temperature is HOT
and the speed is NOT VERY FAST
then break SLIGHTLY DECREASED.**

What is the difference between classical and fuzzy rules?

- A classical **IF-THEN** rule uses binary logic, for example,

Rule: 1

**IF speed is > 100
THEN stopping_distance is long**

Rule: 2

**IF speed is < 40
THEN stopping_distance is short**

- The variable **speed** can have any numerical value between **0** and **220 km/h**, but the linguistic variable **stopping_distance** can take either value **long** or **short**.
- In other words, classical rules are expressed in the **black-and-white** language of Boolean logic.
- We can also represent the stopping distance rules in a **fuzzy form**:

Rule: 1

**IF speed is fast
THEN stopping_distance is long**

Rule: 2

**IF speed is slow
THEN stopping_distance is short**

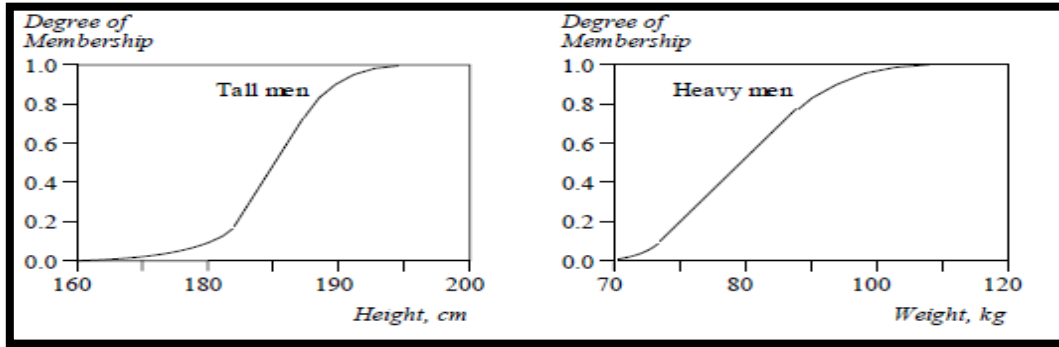
- In **fuzzy rules**, the linguistic variable **speed** also has the range (the universe of discourse) between **0** and **220 km/h**, but this range includes fuzzy sets, such as **slow**, **medium** and **fast**. The universe of discourse of the linguistic variable **stopping_distance** can be between **0** and **300 m** and may include such fuzzy sets as **short**, **medium** and **long**.

Fuzzy rules relate fuzzy sets:

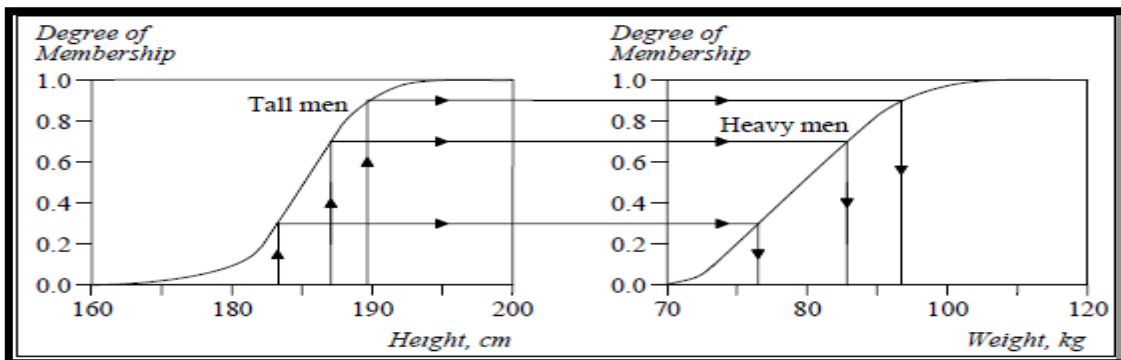
- In a **fuzzy system**, **all rules fire to some extent**, i.e., fire partially. If the antecedent is true to some degree of membership, then the consequent is also true to that same degree.



Example: Fuzzy sets of tall and heavy men.



- These fuzzy sets provide the basis for a weight estimation model. The model is based on a relationship between a man's height and his weight:
IF height is tall THEN weight is heavy
- The value of the output or a truth membership grade of the rule consequent **can be estimated directly from** a corresponding truth membership grade in the antecedent. This form of fuzzy inference uses a method called **monotonic selection**.



- A fuzzy rule can have **multiple antecedents**, for example:
 - **IF** project_duration is long
AND project_staffing is large
AND project_funding is inadequate
THEN risk is high.
 - **IF** service is excellent
OR food is delicious
THEN tip is generous.
- The **consequent** of a fuzzy rule can also include **multiple parts**, for instance:
 - IF** temperature is hot
THEN hot_water is reduced;
cold_water is increased
- **How are all these output fuzzy sets combined and transformed into a single number?**
 - To obtain a **single crisp solution**, a fuzzy expert system first **aggregates** all output fuzzy sets into a single output fuzzy set, and then **defuzzifies** the resulting fuzzy set into a **single number**.