

Introduction to Fuzzy Inference

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Controversy

“The image which is portrayed is of the ability to perform magically well by the incorporation of `new age’ technologies

**of fuzzy logic, neural networks,
... approximate reasoning, and
self-organization in the face of
dismal failure of traditional
methods. This is pure unsupported
claptrap which is pretentious
and idolatrous in the extreme,
and has no place in scientific
literature.”**

Professor Bob Bitmead,
IEEE Control Systems Magazine,
June 1993, p.7.

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The Wisdom of Experience ... ???

- “(Fuzzy theory’s) delayed exploitation outside Japan teaches several lessons. ...(One is) the traditional intellectualism in engineering research in general and the *cult of analyticity* within control system engineering research in particular.”

E.H. Mamdani, 1975 father of fuzzy control (1993).



- "All progress means war with society."

George Bernard Shaw

Crisp Versus Fuzzy

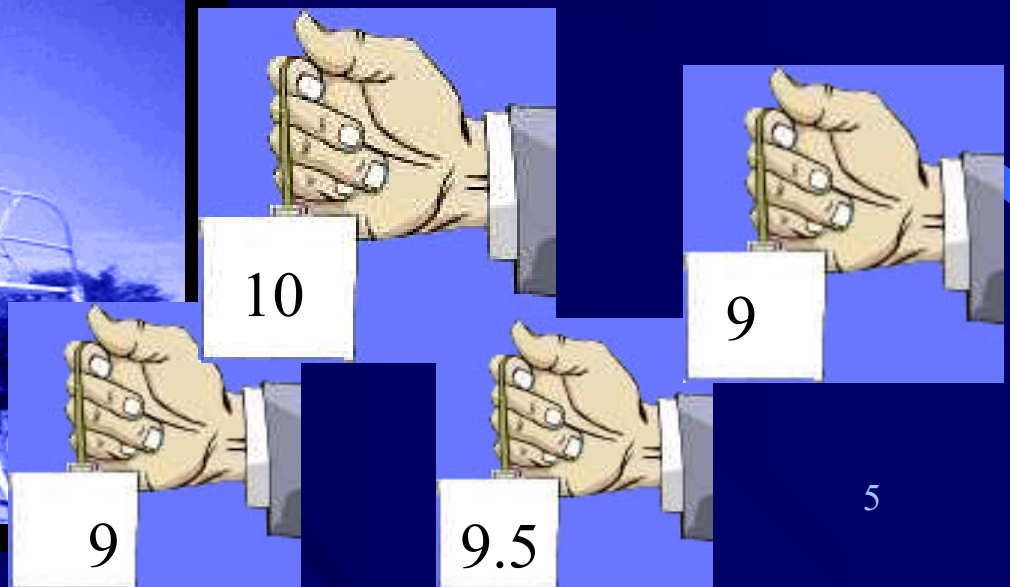
- Conventional or *crisp* sets are binary. An element either belongs to the set or doesn't.
- *Fuzzy sets*, on the other hand, have grades of memberships. The set of cities 'far' from Los Angeles is an example.

$$\mu_{LA} = 0.0 / LA + 0.5 / Chicago \\ + 0.8 / New York + 0.9 / London$$

Fuzzy Linguistic Variables

- The term *far* used to define this set is a *fuzzy linguistic variable*.
- Other examples include *close, heavy, light, big, small, smart, fast, slow, hot, cold, tall* and *short*.

e.g. On a scale of one to 10, how good was the dive?



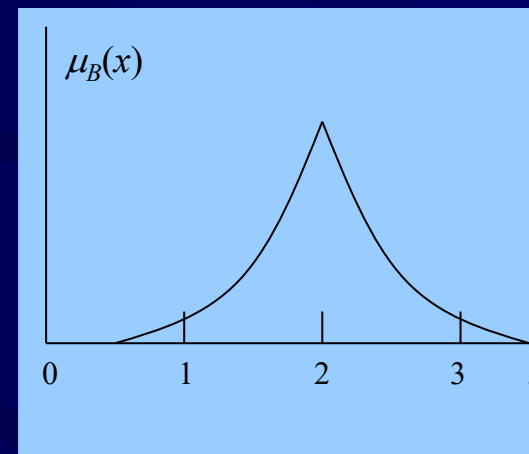
Continuous Fuzzy Membership Functions

- The set, B , of numbers *near* to two is

$$\mu_B(x) = \frac{1}{(x-2)^2}$$

- or...

$$\mu_B(x) = e^{-|x-2|}$$



Fuzzy Subsets

- A fuzzy set, A , is said to be a subset of B if

$$\mu_A(x) \leq \mu_B(x)$$

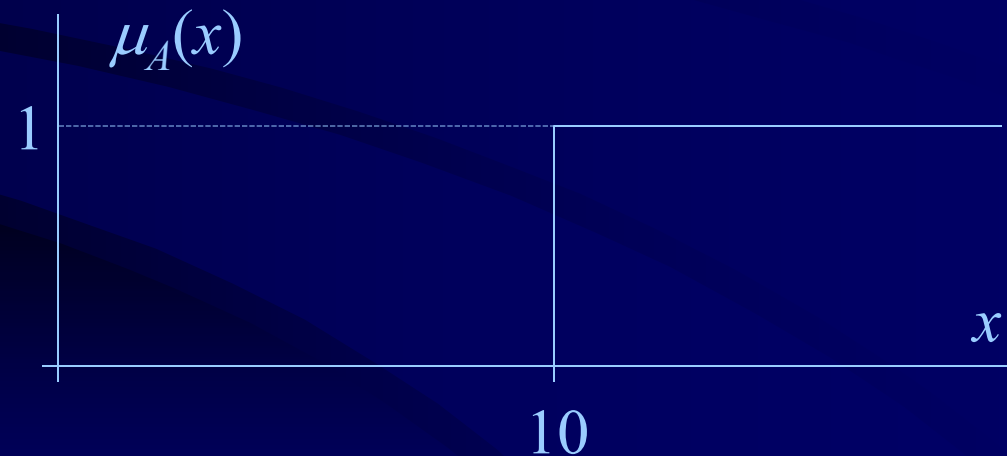
- *e.g.* $B = \text{far}$ and $A = \text{very far}$.
- For example...

$$\mu_A(x) = \mu_B^2(x)$$

Crisp Membership Functions

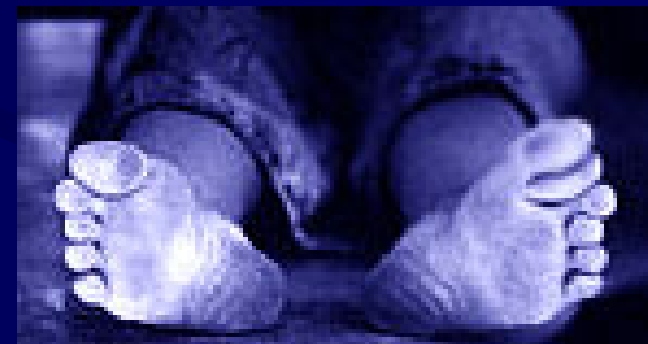
- Crisp membership functions are either one or zero.
- e.g. Numbers greater than 10.

$$A = \{x \mid x > 10\}$$



Fuzzy Versus Probability

- Fuzzy \neq Probability
- Example #1
 - Billy has ten toes. The *probability* Billy has nine toes is zero. The fuzzy membership of Billy in the set of people with nine toes, however, is nonzero.



Fuzzy Versus Probability

Example #2



- A bottle of liquid has a probability of $\frac{1}{2}$ of being rat poison and $\frac{1}{2}$ of being pure water.
- A second bottle's contents, in the fuzzy set of liquids containing *lots* of rat poison, is $\frac{1}{2}$.
- The meaning of $\frac{1}{2}$ for the two bottles clearly differs significantly and would impact your choice should you be dying of thirst.

(cite: Bezdek)



Fuzzy Vs. Crisp Probability

- The probability that a fair die will show six is $1/6$. This is a crisp probability. All credible mathematicians will agree on this exact number.
- The weatherman's forecast of a probability of rain tomorrow being 70% is also a fuzzy probability. Using the same meteorological data, another weatherman will typically announce a different probability.



Fuzzy Logic

Criteria for fuzzy “and”, “or”, and “complement”

- Must meet crisp boundary conditions
- Commutative
- Associative
- Idempotent
- Monotonic

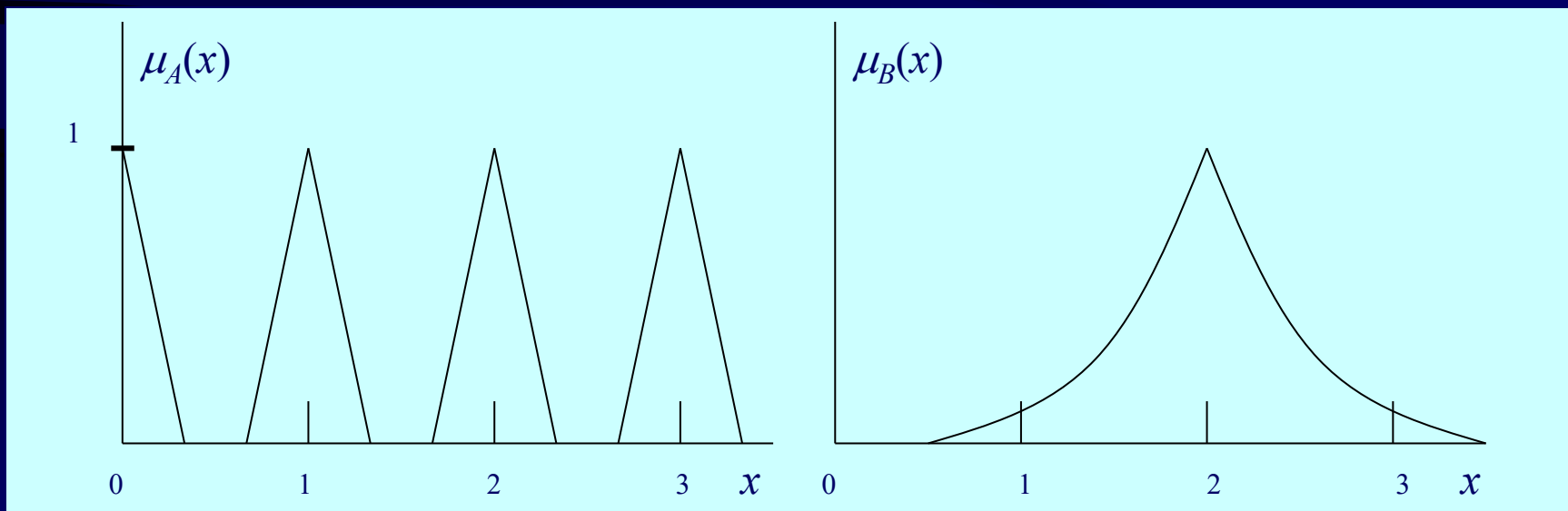


Fuzzy Logic

Example Fuzzy Sets to Aggregate...

$$A = \{ x \mid x \text{ is near an integer} \}$$

$$B = \{ x \mid x \text{ is close to } 2 \}$$



Fuzzy Union

- Fuzzy Union (logic “or”)

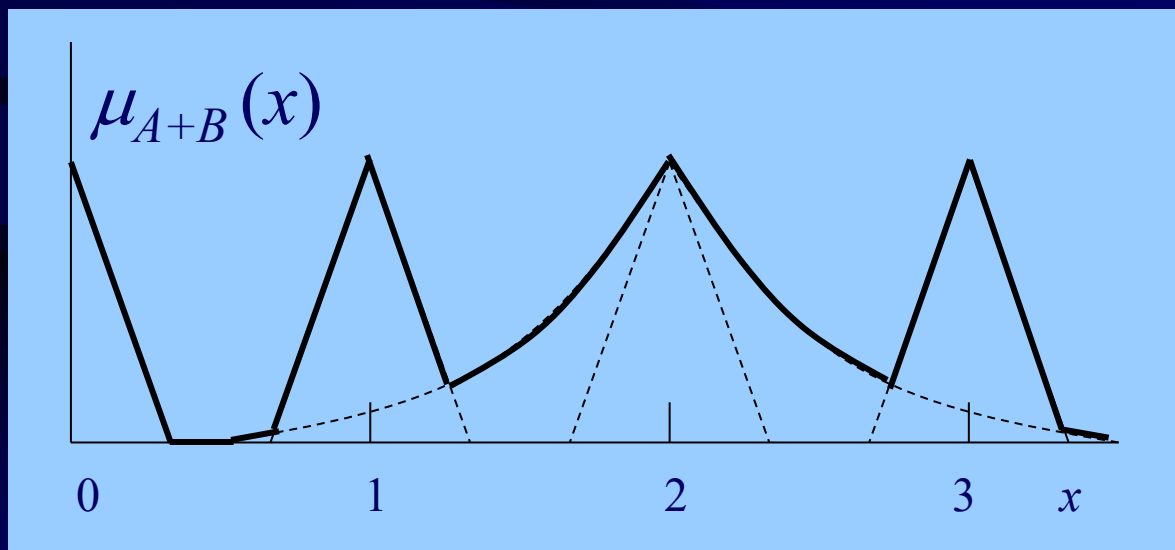
$$\mu_{A+B}(x) = \max [\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x)]$$

- Meets crisp boundary conditions
- Commutative
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Fuzzy Union

$$A \text{ OR } B = A+B = \{ x \mid (x \text{ is near an integer}) \text{ OR } (x \text{ is close to } 2) \}$$
$$= \text{MAX} [\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x)]$$



Fuzzy Intersection

- Fuzzy Intersection (logic “and”)

$$\mu_{A \bullet B}(x) = \min [\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x)]$$

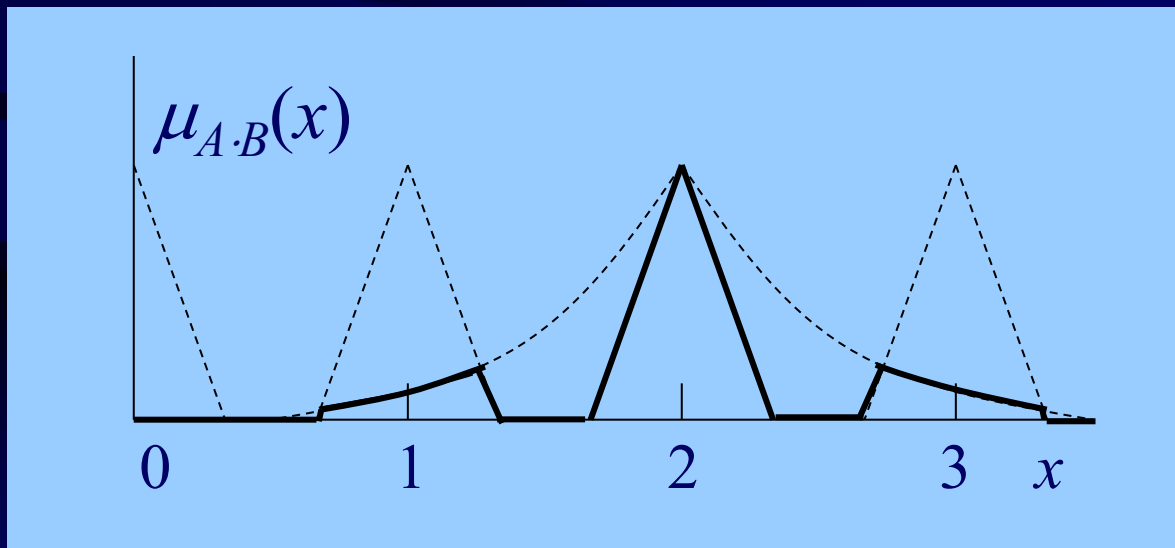
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Fuzzy Intersection

$A \text{ AND } B = A \cdot B = \{ x \mid (x \text{ is } \textit{near} \text{ an integer}) \text{ AND } (x \text{ is } \textit{close} \text{ to } 2) \}$

$$= \text{MIN} [\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x)]$$

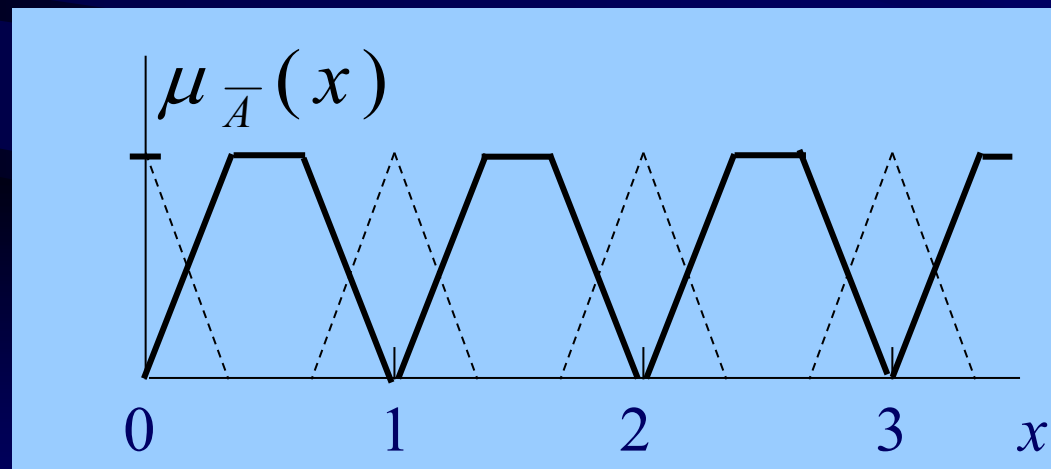


Fuzzy Complement

The complement of a fuzzy set has a membership function...

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

complement of $A = \{ x \mid x \text{ is } \underline{\text{not}} \text{ near an integer} \}$



Associativity

Min-Max fuzzy logic has intersection distributive over union...

$$\mu_{A \bullet (B+C)}(x) = \mu_{(A+B) \bullet (A+C)}(x)$$

since

$$\min[A, \max(B, C)] = \min[\max(A, B), \max(A, C)]$$

Associativity

Min-Max fuzzy logic has union distributive over intersection...

$$\mu_{A+(B \cdot C)}(x) = \mu_{(A \cdot B)+(A \cdot C)}(x)$$

since

$$\max[A, \min(B, C)] = \max[\min(A, B), \min(A, C)]$$

DeMorgan's Laws

Min-Max fuzzy logic obeys DeMorgans Law #1...

$$\mu_{\overline{B \bullet C}}(x) = \mu_{\overline{B} + \overline{C}}(x)$$

since

$$1 - \min(B, C) = \max[(1-A), (1-B)]$$

DeMorgan's Laws

Min-Max fuzzy logic obeys DeMorgans Law #2...

$$\mu_{\overline{B+C}}(x) = \mu_{\overline{B} \cdot \overline{C}}(x)$$

since

$$1 - \max(B, C) = \min[(1-A), (1-B)]$$

Excluded Middle

Min-Max fuzzy logic fails *The Law of Excluded Middle*.

$$A \cdot \bar{A} \neq \phi$$

since

$$\min(\mu_A, 1 - \mu_A) \neq 0$$

Thus, (the set of numbers *close* to 2) AND (the set of numbers not *close* to 2) \neq null set

Contradiction

Min-Max fuzzy logic fails the *The Law of Contradiction*.

$$A + \bar{A} \neq U$$

since

$$\max(\mu_A, 1 - \mu_A) \neq 1$$

Thus, (the set of numbers *close* to 2) OR (the set of numbers not *close* to 2) \neq universal set

Other Fuzzy Logics

There are numerous other operations OTHER than Min and Max for performing fuzzy logic intersection and union operations.

A common set operations is *sum-product inferencing*, where...

$$\mu_{A \bullet B}(x) = \mu_A(x) \mu_B(x)$$

$$\mu_{A+B}(x) = \min [\mu_A(x) + \mu_B(x), 1]$$

Cartesian Product

- The intersection and union operations can also be used to assign memberships on the Cartesian product of two sets.
- Consider, as an example, the fuzzy membership of a set, G , of liquids that taste *good* and the set, LA , of cities close to Los Angeles

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_G = & 0.0 / \text{Swamp Water} \\ & + 0.5 / \text{Radish Juice} \\ & + 0.9 / \text{Grape Juice}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_{LA} = & 0.0 / \text{LA} + 0.5 / \text{Chicago} \\ & + 0.8 / \text{New York} + 0.9 / \text{London}\end{aligned}$$

Cartesian Product

- We form the set...

$$E = G \cdot LA$$

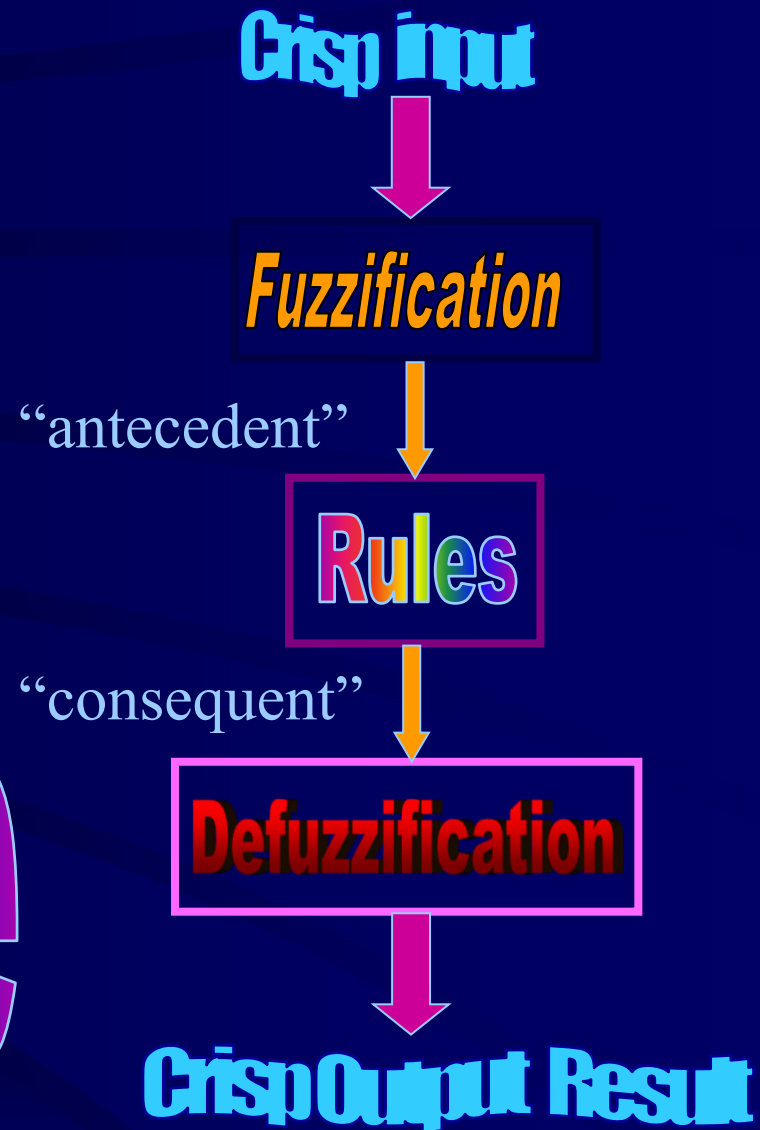
= liquids that taste *good AND* cities that
are *close* to LA

- The following table results...

	LosAngeles(0.0)	Chicago (0.5)	New York (0.8)	London(0.9)
Swamp Water (0.0)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Radish Juice (0.5)	0.00	0.25	0.40	0.45
Grape Juice (0.9)	0.00	0.45	0.72	0.81

Fuzzy

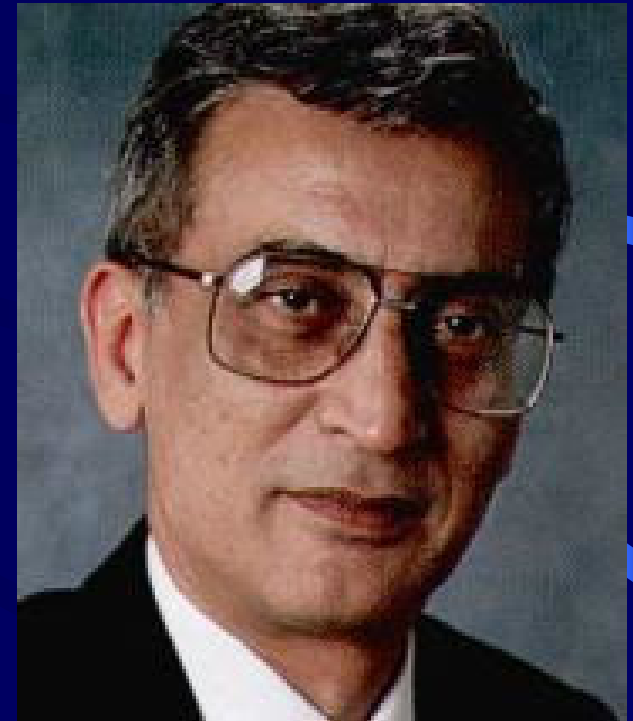
Inference



Fuzzy Inference Example

Example #2

- Assume that we need to evaluate student applicants based on their GPA and GRE scores.
- For simplicity, let us have three categories for each score [High (H), Medium (M), and Low(L)]
- Let us assume that the decision should be Excellent (E), Very Good (VG), Good (G), Fair (F) or Poor (P)
- An expert will associate the decisions to the GPA and GRE score.



Fuzzy Rule Table

GRE

GPA

	H	M	L
H	E	VG	F
M	G	G	B
L	F	B	B

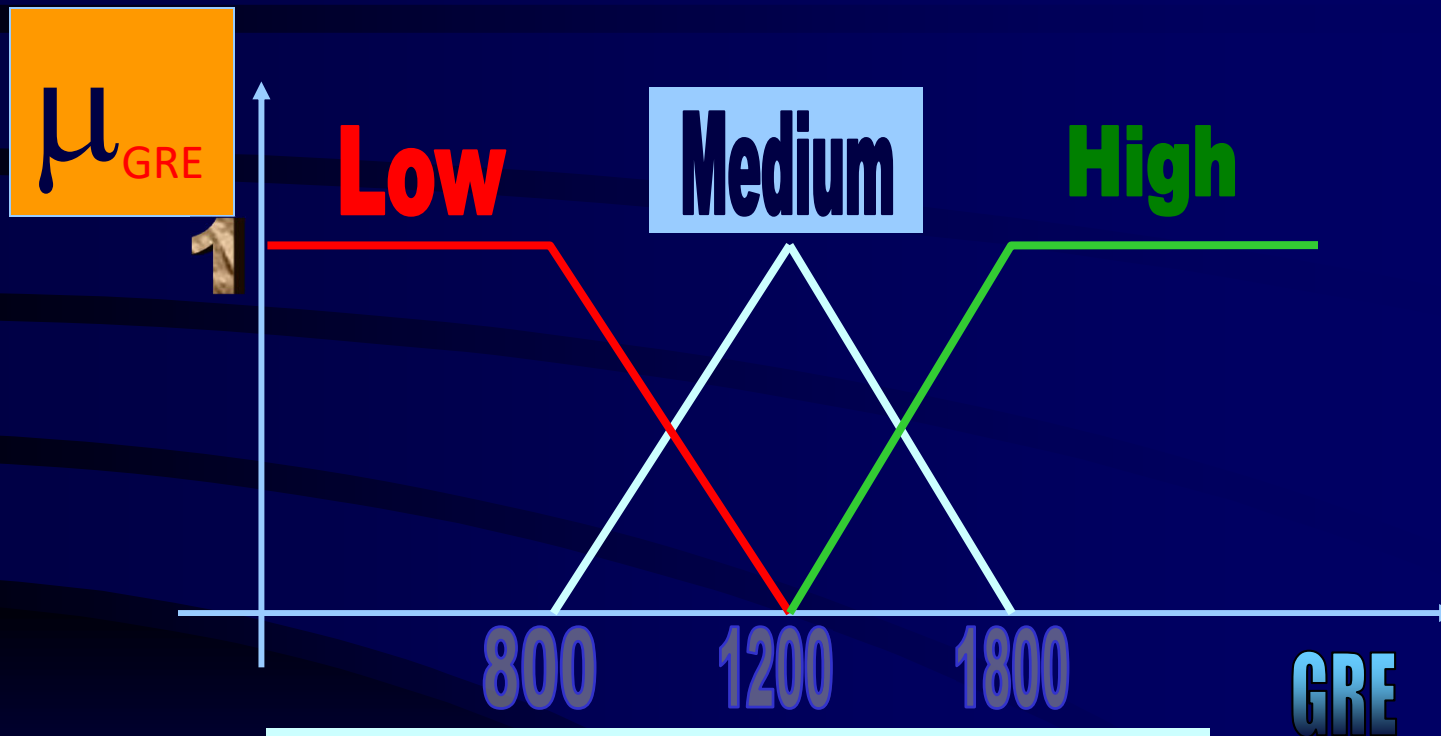
Fuzzification

A Fuzzifier converts a crisp input into a vector of fuzzy membership values.

The membership functions
reflects the designer's knowledge
provides smooth transition between fuzzy sets
are simple to calculate

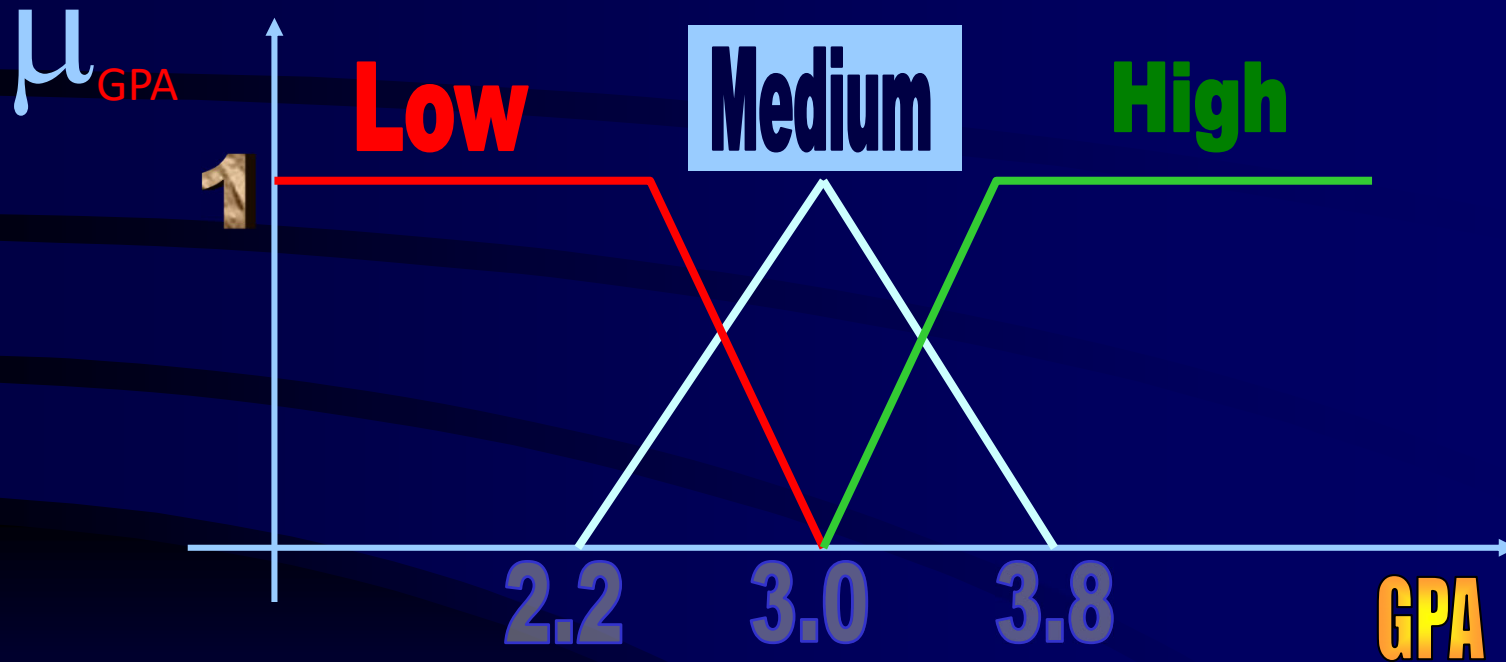
Typical shapes of the membership function are
Gaussian, trapezoidal and triangular.

Membership Functions for GRE



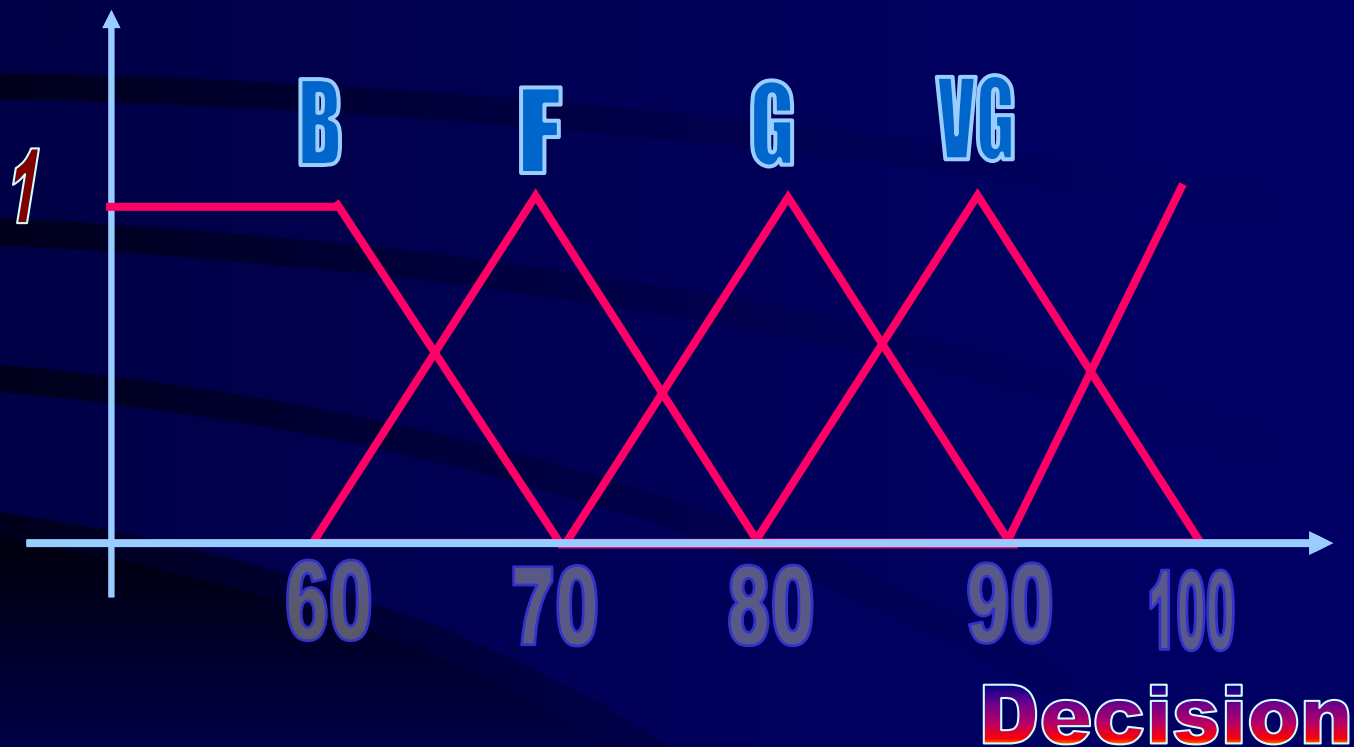
$$\mu_{GRE} = \{\mu_L, \mu_M, \mu_H\}$$

Membership Functions for the GPA



$$\mu_{\text{GPA}} = \{\mu_L, \mu_M, \mu_H\}$$

Membership Function for the Consequent



Fuzzification

- Transform the crisp antecedents into a vector of fuzzy membership values.
- Assume a student with GRE=900 and GPA=3.6. Examining the membership function gives

$$\mu_{\text{GRE}} = \{\mu_{\text{L}} = 0.8, \mu_{\text{M}} = 0.2, \mu_{\text{H}} = 0\}$$

$$\mu_{\text{GPA}} = \{\mu_{\text{L}} = 0, \mu_{\text{M}} = 0.6, \mu_{\text{H}} = 0.4\}$$

Activated Rules

GRE

GPA

	H	M	L
H	E	VG	F
M	G	G	B
L	F	B	B

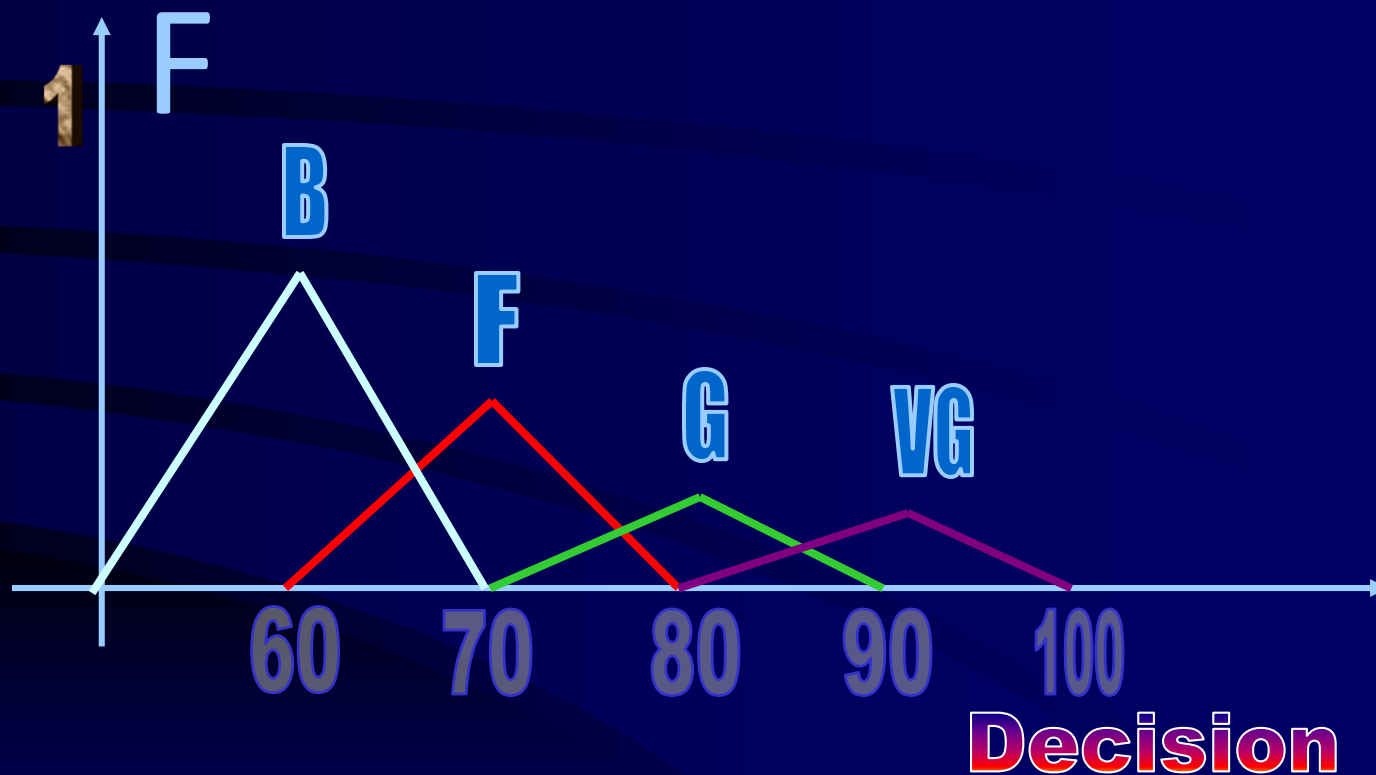
Memberships of Activated Rules

		GRE		
		0	0.2	0.8
GPA	0.4	0	0.2	0.4
	0.6	0	0.2	0.6
	0	0	0	0

$F = \{B, F, G, VG, E\}$

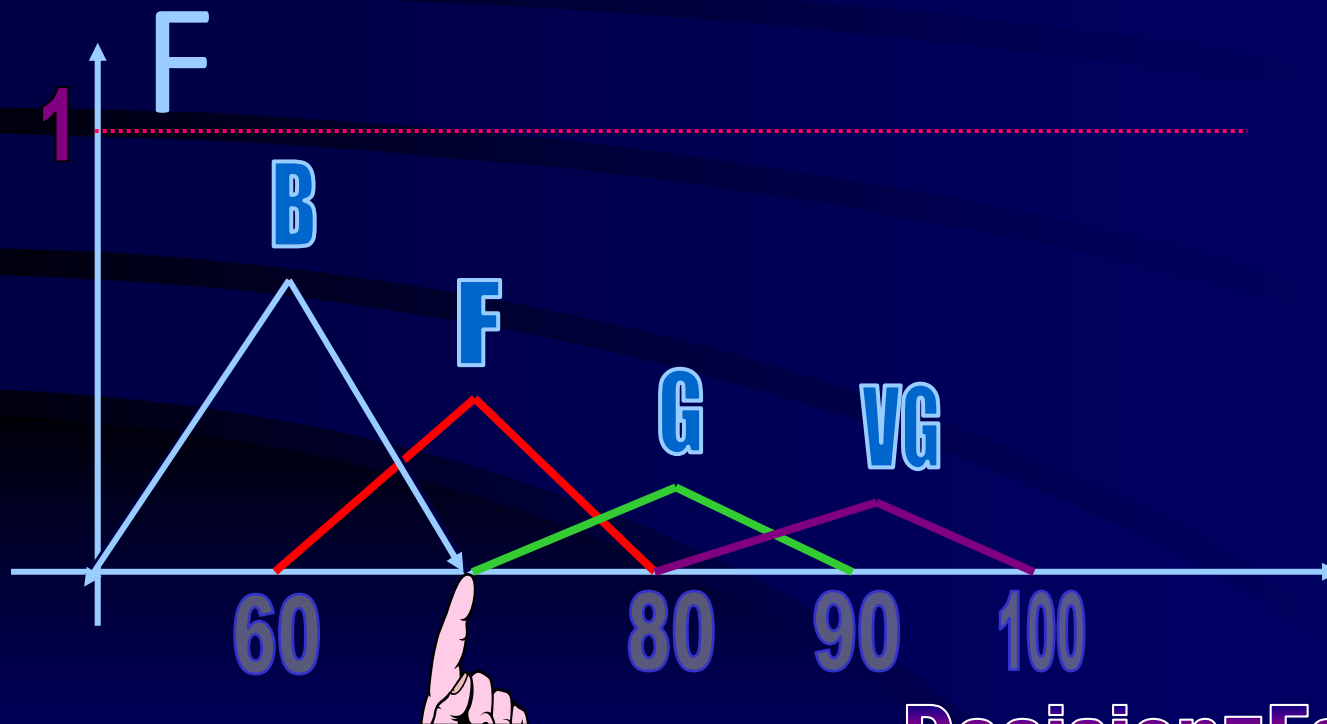
$F = \{0.6, 0.4, 0.2, 0.2, 0\}$

Weight Consequent Memberships



Defuzzification

- Converts the output fuzzy numbers into a unique (crisp) number
- Method: Add all weighted curves and find the center



Decision=Fair Student

Max Method

Fuzzy set with the largest membership value is selected.

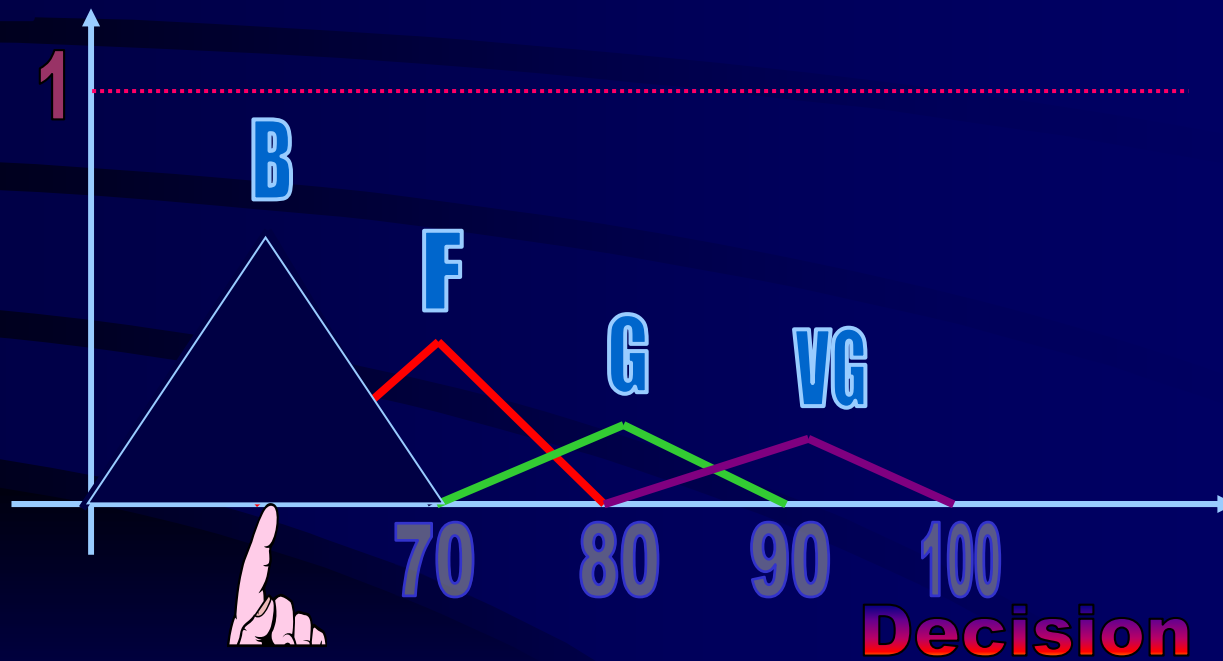
Fuzzy decision: $F = \{B, F, G, VG, E\}$

$F = \{0.6, 0.4, 0.2, 0.2, 0\}$

Final Decision (FD) = Bad Student

If two decisions have same membership max, use the average of the two.

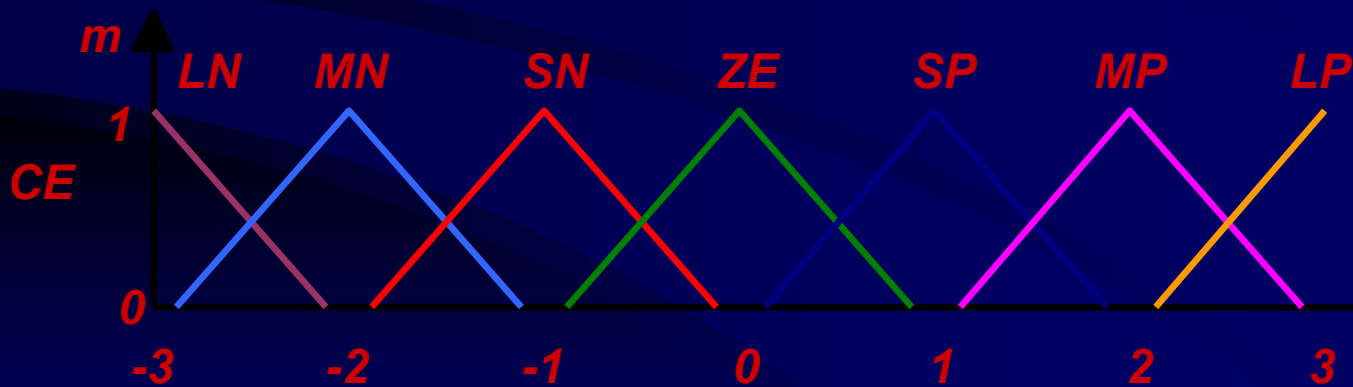
Decision: Max Method



Example: Fuzzy Table for Control

		CE						
		LN	MN	SN	ZE	SP	MP	LP
E	LN	LN	LN	LN	LN	MN	SN	SN
	MN	LN	LN	LN	MN	SN	ZE	ZE
	SN	LN	LN	MN	SN	ZE	ZE	SP
	ZE	LN	MN	SN	ZE	SP	MP	LP
	SP	SN	ZE	ZE	SP	MP	LP	LP
	MP	ZE	ZE	SP	MP	LP	LP	LP
	LP	SP	SP	MP	LP	LP	LP	LP

Membership Functions



Rule Aggregation

		CE						
		LN	MN	SN	ZE	SP	MP	LP
E	LN	LN	LN	LN	LN	MN	e. SN	f. SN
	MN	LN	LN	LN	MN	d. SN	0.2 ZE	0.0 ZE
	SN	LN	LN	MN	c. SN	0.5 ZE	ZE	SP
	ZE	LN	MN	b. SN	0.3 ZE	SP	MP	LP
	SP	a. SN	ZE	0.4 ZE	SP	MP	LP	LP
	MP	0.1 ZE	SP	SP	MP	LP	LP	LP
	LP	SP	SP	MP	LP	LP	LP	LP

Consequent is or SN if *a* or *b* or *c* or *d* or *f*.

Rule Aggregation

Consequent is or SN if a or b or c or d or f .

Consequent Membership = $\max(a,b,c,d,e,f) = 0.5$

More generally:

$$\text{agg}_{\alpha}(\vec{x}) = \left[\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N x_n^{\alpha} \right]^{1/\alpha}$$

Rule Aggregation

$$\text{agg}_\alpha(\vec{x}) = \left[\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N x_n^\alpha \right]^{1/\alpha}$$

Special Cases:



$$\text{agg}_{-\infty}(\vec{x}) = \min_n x_n; \text{minimum}$$

$$\text{agg}_{-1}(\vec{x}) = \left[\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{x_n} \right]^{-1}; \text{harmonic mean}$$

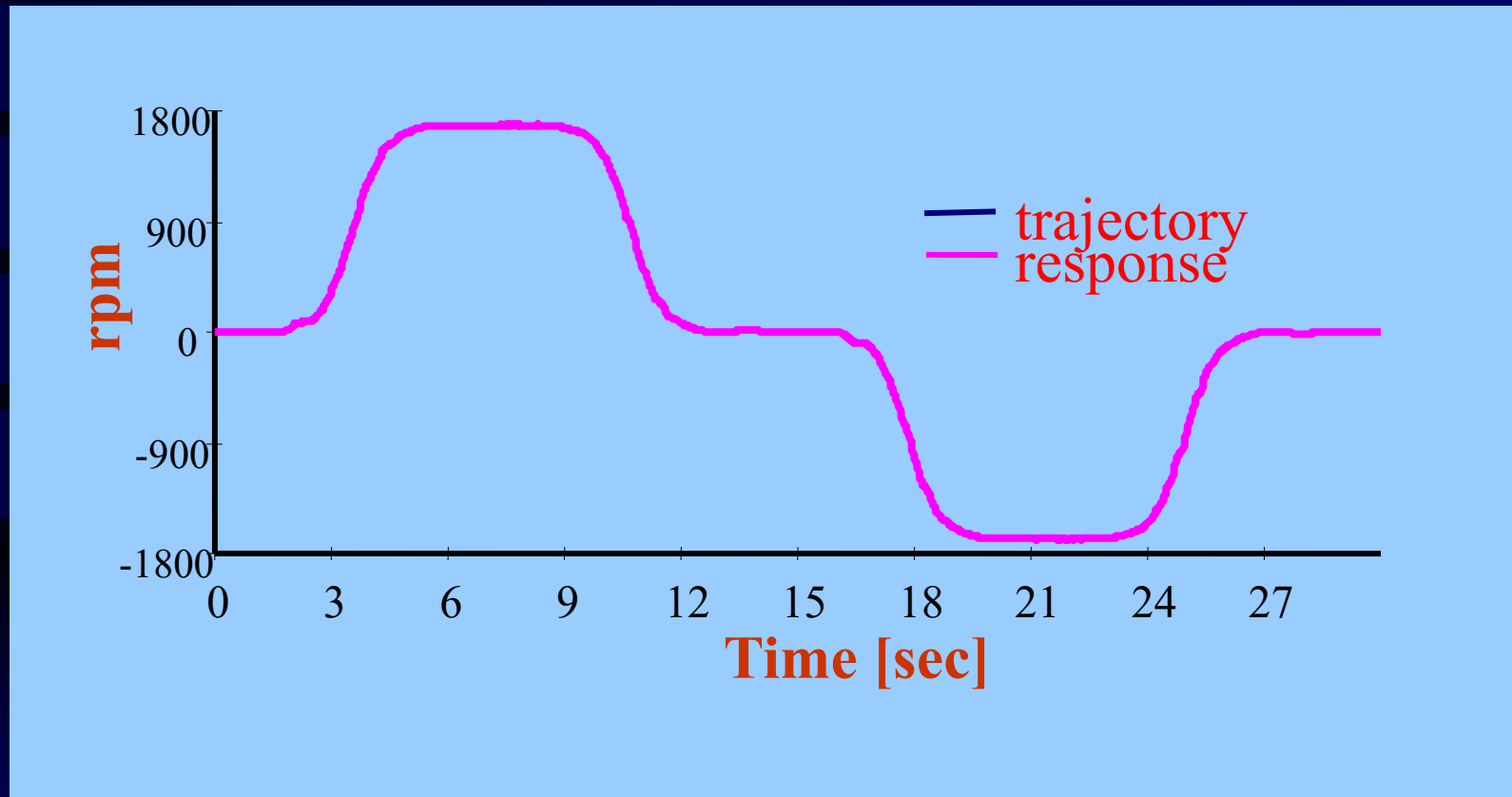
$$\text{agg}_0(\vec{x}) = \left[\prod_{n=1}^N x_n \right]^{1/N}; \text{geometric mean}$$

$$\text{agg}_1(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N x_n; \text{average}$$

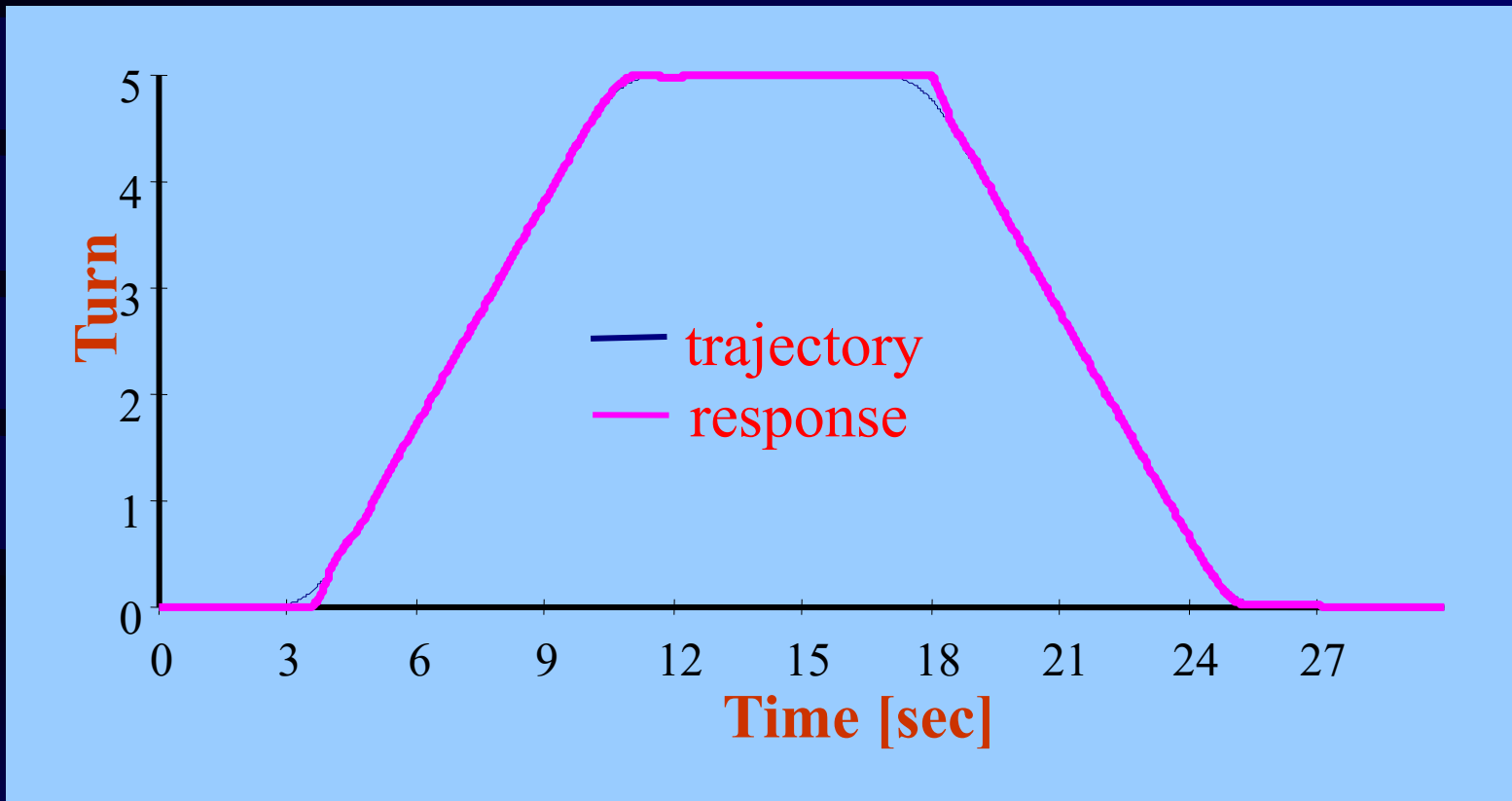
$$\text{agg}_2(\vec{x}) = \left[\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N x_n^2 \right]^{1/2}; \text{rms}$$

$$\text{agg}_\infty(\vec{x}) = \max_n x_n; \text{maximum}$$

Lab Test: Speed Tracking of IM

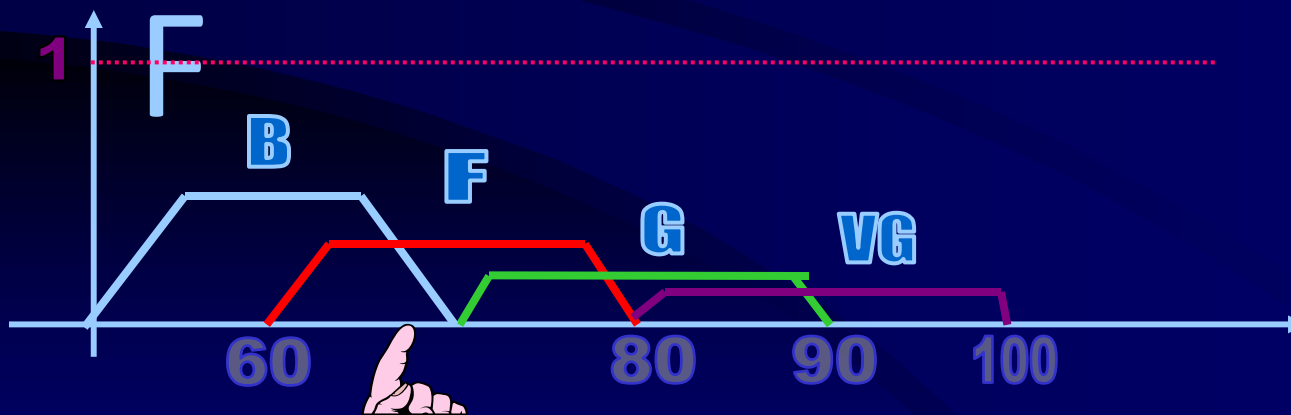
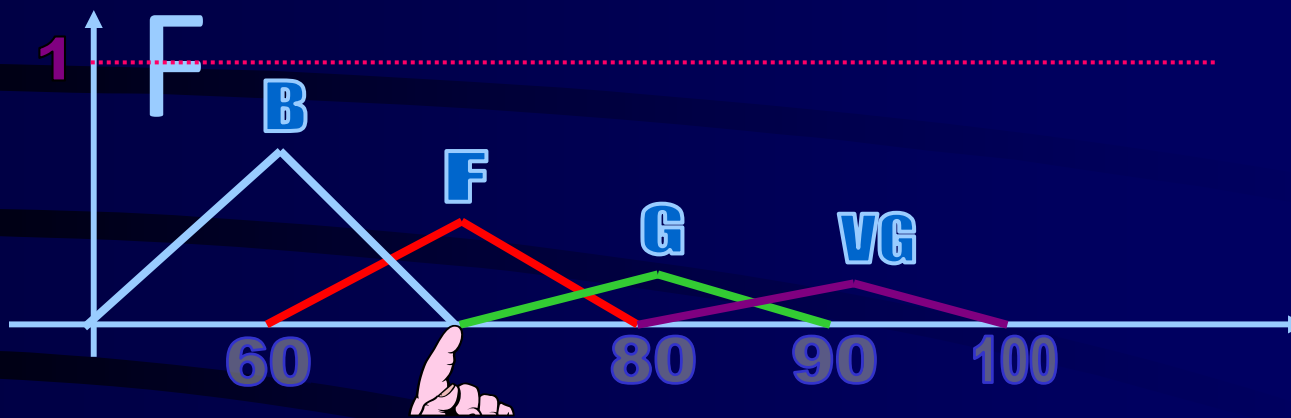


Lab Test: Precision Position Tracking of IM



Commonly Used Variations

Clipped vs. Weighted Defuzzification



Commonly Used Variations

Sum-Product Inferencing

Instead of $\min(x,y)$ for fuzzy AND...

$$\text{Use } \Rightarrow x \cdot y$$

Instead of $\max(x,y)$ for fuzzy OR...

$$\text{Use } \Rightarrow \min(1, x + y)$$

Why?

Commonly Used Variations

Sugeno inferencing

Other Norms and co-norms

Relationship with Neural Networks

Explanation Facilities

Teaching a Fuzzy System

Tuning a Fuzzy System

The Bottom Line...

Reduction
to
Practice

"In theory, theory and reality are the same.
In reality, they are not."

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