# This time: Fuzzy Logic and Fuzzy Inference

- Why use fuzzy logic?
- Tipping example
- Fuzzy set theory
- Fuzzy inference

# What is fuzzy logic?

- A super set of Boolean logic
- Builds upon <u>fuzzy set theory</u>
- Graded truth. Truth values between True and False. Not everything is either/or, true/false, black/white, on/off etc.
- Grades of membership. Class of tall men, class of far cities, class of expensive things, etc.
- <u>Lotfi Zadeh</u>, UC/Berkely 1965. Introduced **FL to model uncertainty in natural language**. *Tall, far, nice, large, hot, ...*
- Reasoning using <u>linguistic terms</u>. Natural to express expert knowledge.
   If the weather is cold then wear warm clothing

# Why use fuzzy logic?

### Pros:

- Conceptually easy to understand w/ "natural" maths
- Tolerant of <u>imprecise data</u>
- Universal approximation: can model arbitrary nonlinear functions
- Intuitive
- Based on linguistic terms
- <u>Convenient</u> way to express expert and common sense knowledge

# Cons:

- Not a cure-all
- Crisp/precise models can be more efficient and even convenient
- Other approaches might be formally verified to work

## **Tipping example**

• The Basic Tipping Problem: Given a number between 0 and 10 that represents the quality of service at a restaurant what should the tip be?

Cultural footnote: An average tip for a meal in the U.S. is 15%, which may vary depending on the quality of the service provided.

• Tip = 15% of total bill



• What about quality of service?

 Tip = linearly proportional to service from 5% to 25% tip = 0.20/10\*service+0.05



• What about quality of the food?

### **Tipping example: Extended**

• The Extended Tipping Problem: Given a number between 0 and 10 that represents the quality of service <u>and the quality of the food</u>, at a restaurant, what should the tip be?

How will this affect our tipping formula?

• Tip =  $0.20/20^{*}(\text{service}+\text{food})+0.05$ 



• We want service to be more important than food quality. E.g., 80% for service and 20% for food.



• Seems too linear. Want 15% tip in general and deviation only for exceptionally good or bad service.

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if service < 3,
    tip(f+1,s+1) = servRatio*(.1/3*(s)+.05) + ...
        (1-servRatio)*(.2/10*(f)+0.05);
elseif s < 7,
    tip(f+1,s+1) = servRatio*(.15) + ...
        (1-servRatio)*(.2/10*(f)+0.05);
else,
    tip(f+1,s+1) = servRatio*(.1/3*(s-7)+.15) + ...
        (1-servRatio)*(.2/10*(f)+0.05);
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end;

Nice plot but

- 'Complicated' function
- Not easy to modify
- Not intuitive
- Many hard-coded parameters
- Not easy to understand



# **Tipping problem: the fuzzy approach**

#### What we want to express is:

- 1. If service is poor then tip is cheap
- 2. If service is good the tip is average
- 3. If service is excellent then tip is generous
- 4. If food is rancid then tip is cheap
- 5. If food is delicious then tip is generous
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- 1. If service is poor or the food is rancid then tip is cheap
- 2. If service is good then tip is average
- *3. If service is excellent or food is delicious then tip is generous*

#### We have just defined the rules for a fuzzy logic system.

### **Tipping problem: fuzzy solution**

Decision function generated using the 3 rules.



# **Tipping problem: fuzzy solution**

- Before we have a fuzzy solution we need to find out
- a) how to define terms such as poor, delicious, cheap, generous etc.
- b) how to combine terms using AND, OR and other connectives
- c) how to combine all the rules into one final output

### **Fuzzy sets**

 $\mu_{\mathsf{A}}(x) = \begin{cases} 1 \\ 0 \end{cases}$ 

- Boolean/Crisp set A is a mapping for the elements of S to the set {0, 1}, i.e., A: S → {0, 1}
- Characteristic function:

if x is an element of set A

if x is not an element of set A

- Fuzzy set F is a mapping for the elements of S to the interval [0, 1], i.e., F: S → [0, 1]
- Characteristic function:  $0 \le \mu_F(x) \le 1$
- 1 means full membership, 0 means no membership and anything in between, e.g., 0.5 is called **graded membership**

## **Example: Crisp set Tall**

• Fuzzy sets and concepts are commonly used in natural language

*John is tall Dan is smart Alex is happy The class is hot* 

. . .

 E.g., the crisp set *Tall* can be defined as {x | height x > 1.8 meters} But what about a person with a height = 1.79 meters? What about 1.78 meters?

What about 1.52 meters?

### **Example: Fuzzy set Tall**

- In a fuzzy set a person with a height of 1.8 meters would be considered tall to a high degree
   A person with a height of 1.7 meters would be considered tall to a lesser degree etc.
- The function can change for basketball players, Danes, women, children etc.



#### **Membership functions: S-function**

- The S-function can be used to define fuzzy sets ۲
- $\mathbf{S}(x, a, b, c) =$ •

• 0

• 1



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#### **Membership functions: ∏**–**Function**

- $\Pi(x, a, b) =$ 
  - S(x, b-a, b-a/2, b) for  $x \le b$
  - 1 S(x, b, b + a/2, a+b) for  $x \ge b$



#### **Simple membership functions**

- Piecewise linear: triangular etc.
- Easier to represent and calculate  $\Rightarrow$  saves computation



### Other representations of fuzzy sets

- A finite set of elements:
  - $F = \mu_1 / x_1 + \mu_2 / x_2 + \dots + \mu_n / x_n$
  - + means (Boolean) set union
- For example:

 $\mathsf{TALL} = \{0/1.0, 0/1.2, 0/1.4, 0.2/1.6, 0.8/1.7, 1.0/1.8\}$ 

### **Fuzzy set operators**

Equality • A = B $\mu_{\mathsf{A}}\left(x\right) = \mu_{\mathsf{B}}\left(x\right)$ for all  $x \in X$ • Complement A'  $\mu_{A'}(x) = 1 - \mu_{A}(x)$ for all  $x \in X$ • Containment  $A \subseteq B$  $\mu_{A}(x) \leq \mu_{B}(x)$ for all  $x \in X$ Union •  $A \cup B$ for all  $x \in X$  $\mu_{A \cup B}(x) = \max(\mu_{A}(x), \mu_{B}(x))$ Intersection •  $A \cap B$  $\mu_{A \cap B}(x) = \min(\mu_{A}(x), \mu_{B}(x))$ for all  $x \in X$ 

### **Example fuzzy set operations**



#### **Linguistic Hedges**

- Modifying the meaning of a fuzzy set using hedges such as *very, more or less, slightly, etc.*
- tall Very  $F = F^2$ ٠ More or less  $F = F^{1/2}$ 0.9 etc. 0.8 0.7 More or less tall Very tall 0.5 0.4 0.3 0.2 0.1 0 1.4 1.7 1.1 1.2 1.3 1.5 1.6 1.8 1.9 height

### **Fuzzy relations**

• A fuzzy relation for N sets is defined as an extension of the crisp relation to include the membership grade.

$$\mathsf{R} = \{ \mu_R(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N) / (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N) \mid x_i \in X, i=1, \dots, N \}$$

which associates the membership grade,  $\mu_R$ , of each tuple.

• E.g.

Friend = {0.9/(Manos, Nacho), 0.1/(Manos, Dan), 0.8/(Alex, Mike), 0.3/(Alex, John)}

# **Fuzzy inference**

- Fuzzy logical operations
- Fuzzy rules
- Fuzzification
- Implication
- Aggregation
- Defuzzification

#### **Fuzzy logical operations**

- AND, OR, NOT, etc.
- NOT A = A' = 1  $\mu_A(x)$
- A AND B = A  $\cap$  B = min( $\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x)$ )
- A OR B = A  $\cup$  B = max( $\mu_A(x), \mu_B(x)$ )

From the following truth tables it is seen that fuzzy logic is a **superset** of Boolean logic.



### **If-Then Rules**

 Use fuzzy sets and fuzzy operators as the subjects and verbs of fuzzy logic to form rules.

#### if x is A then y is B

where A and B are linguistic terms defined by fuzzy sets on the sets X and Y respectively.

This reads

if  $\underline{\mathbf{x}} = = \underline{\mathbf{A}}$  then  $\underline{\mathbf{y}} = \underline{\mathbf{B}}$ 

### **Evaluation of fuzzy rules**

- In Boolean logic:  $p \Rightarrow q$ if p is true then q is true
- In fuzzy logic:  $p \Rightarrow q$ if p is true to some degree then q is true to some degree.

0.5p => 0.5q (partial premise implies partially)

• How?

### Evaluation of fuzzy rules (cont'd)

- Apply implication function to the rule
- Most common way is to use min to "chop-off" the consequent (prod can be used to scale the consequent)



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# **Summary: If-Then rules**

#### 1. Fuzzify inputs

Determine the degree of membership for all terms in the premise. If there is one term then this is the degree of support for the consequence.

- Apply fuzzy operator
   If there are multiple parts, apply logical operators to determine the
   degree of support for the rule.
- Apply implication method Use degree of support for rule to shape output fuzzy set of the consequence.

How do we then combine several rules?

### **Multiple rules**

- We aggregate the outputs into a single fuzzy set which combines their decisions.
- The input to aggregation is the list of truncated fuzzy sets and the output is a single fuzzy set for each variable.
- Aggregation rules: max, sum, etc.
- As long as it is commutative then the order of rule exec is irrelevant.

### max-min rule of composition

- Given N observations E<sub>i</sub> over X and hypothesis H<sub>i</sub> over Y we have N rules:
  - if  $E_1$  then  $H_1$ if  $E_2$  then  $H_2$
  - if  $\boldsymbol{E}_{N}$  then  $\boldsymbol{H}_{N}$
- $\mu_{\text{H}} = \max[\min(\mu_{\text{E1}}), \min(\mu_{\text{E2}}), \dots, \min(\mu_{\text{EN}})]$

### **Defuzzify the output**

- Take a fuzzy set and produce a single crisp number that represents the set.
- Practical when making a decision, taking an action etc.





## Limitations of fuzzy logic

- How to determine the membership functions? Usually requires finetuning of parameters
- Defuzzification can produce undesired results

## Fuzzy tools and shells

- Matlab's Fuzzy Toolbox
- FuzzyClips
- Etc.