### Fuzzy Sets and Fuzzification

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### Lecture Outline

- Crisp sets
- Fuzzy sets
- Fuzzy membership functions
- Fuzzification
- Fuzzy logic

## **Crisp Sets**

- Everything is either true or false
- No uncertainty is allowed
- An item either is

   entirely within a set, or
   entirely not in a set
- The Law of the Excluded Middle

   X must be either in set A or in set not-A
   no middle ground is allowed

### **Crisp Sets**

- Opposite sets (A and not-A) must between them contain everything
- Venn diagram



# Fuzzy Sets

- Items can belong to a fuzzy set to different degrees
  - degrees of membership
- Completely within a set is a membership degree of 1
- Completely outside a set is a membership degree of 0

# Fuzzy Sets

- Degrees of membership must sum to 1
- An item can be both A and not-A to different degrees
  - $\circ$  e.g. A to a degree of 0.8, not-A 0.2
- Degrees of membership are expressed with membership functions
- Range of values a variable can take is called the universe of discourse

## **Membership Functions**

- A membership function describes the degree of membership of a value in a fuzzy set
- Referred to as MF
  - ∘ Also

• whe  $\mu(x)$  the value being fuzzified

### **Membership Functions**

- There are many different types of MF
- Which one to use depends on the problem

#### Singleton MF



### Singleton MF

$$\mu(x) = \left\{ egin{array}{cc} 1, & x=c \ 0, & ext{otherwise} \end{array} 
ight.$$

# **Rectangular MF**



### **Rectangular MF**

$$\mu(x) = \left\{ egin{array}{cc} 1, & l \leq x \leq r \ 0, & ext{otherwise} \end{array} 
ight.$$

# Triangular MF

- A family of MF
- Constantly tend towards zero and one
- Three in the family
  - Left-shouldered
  - Triangular
  - Right-shouldered

# Triangular MF



### **Triangular MF**

$$\mu(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - \frac{x - c}{r - c}, & c < x < r \\ 1 - \frac{c - x}{c - l}, & l < x < c \\ 1, & c = x \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- A family of MF
- Smoothly tend towards one and zero
- Three in the family
  - Z
  - Gauss
  - **S**



$$\mu_b(x) = expigg(-rac{(x-c)^2}{2\sigma^2}igg)$$

- *c* is the centre of the MF
- sigma is the width of the MF
- *exp* is the exponential function

S function



- *L* is the left hand 'breakpoint' of the MF
- r is the right hand 'breakpoint' of the MF
- *c* is the centre of the MF

$$\mu(x) = 1 - S(x)$$

• Z function is symmetrical to S function

### **Membership Functions**

- MF can also be represented by a set of ordered pairs
- Pairs are crisp-fuzzy values
  - $\circ A = \{(0,1.0),(1,1.0),(2,0.75),(3,0.5),(4,0.25),(5,0.0), \\ (6,0.0),(7,0.0),(8,0.0),(9,0.0),(10,0.0)\}$
  - $\circ B=\{(0,0.0),(1,0.2),(2,0.4),(3,0.6),(4,0.8),(5,1.0),\\(6,0.8),(7,0.6),(8,0.4),(9,0.2),(10,0.0)\}$
  - $\circ C = \{(0,0.0),(1,0.0),(2,0.0),(3,0.0),(4,0.0),(5,0.0),(6,0.25),(7,0.5),(8,0.75),(9,1.0),(10,1.0)\}$

#### **Membership Functions**



### Fuzzification

- The process of determining the degree to which a value belongs in a fuzzy set
- The value returned by a fuzzy MF
- Most variables in a fuzzy system have multiple MF attached to them
- Fuzzifying that variable involves passing the crisp value through each MF attached to that value

- Same operations and function as in crisp logic
- Must deal with degrees of truth rather than absolute truths
- Fuzzy logic is a superset of crisp (Boolean) logic

- AND, OR, NOT
- Crisp logical functions

   AND true is both parameters are true
   OR true if either parameter is true
   NOT reverses truth of argument

• AND function - crisp version



AND function - fuzzy version

 take the minimum of the two arguments

AND		
A	B	min(A,B)
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

• OR function - crisp version



OR function - fuzzy version

 take the maximum of the two arguments



• NOT function - crisp version



NOT function - fuzzy version
 subtract the truth value from one



- Output of fuzzy logical functions are the same as crisp functions
  - just calculated differently
  - handle *degrees* of truth, rather than *absolute* truths
- The basis of fuzzy rule based systems

# Summary

- Fuzzy logic deals with uncertainty
- Allows degrees of truth
- Allows partial membership in sets
- Fuzzy membership functions describe degrees of membership in fuzzy sets
- Many different types of MF exist

# Summary

- Fuzzification = determining degree of membership

   uses fuzzy MF to do so
- Fuzzy logic extends Boolean operators to handle partial truths

   the basis of fuzzy rules