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Fuzzy Subset Theory

Basic set-theoretic operations



The concept of a fuzzy subset

- Let \mathbf{E} be a set denumerable or not, and let x be an element of \mathbf{E} . A *fuzzy subset* \tilde{A} of \mathbf{E} is a set of ordered pairs:

$$\{(x | \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x))\}, \forall x \in E$$

where $\mu_{\tilde{A}}(x)$ is a *membership characteristic function* that takes its values in a totally ordered set \mathbf{M} , and which indicates the *degree* or *level of membership*. \mathbf{M} will be called a *membership set*

- If $\mathbf{M}=\{0, 1\}$, the “fuzzy subset” \tilde{A} will be understood as an “ordinary subset”

- Cardinality of a fuzzy subset: $|\tilde{A}| = \sum_{x \in E} \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x)$

- Examples:

- I. The fuzzy subset of numbers x approximately equal to a given real number n
- II. The fuzzy subset of integers near to 0
- III. The fuzzy subset of integers very near to 0



The concept of a fuzzy subset

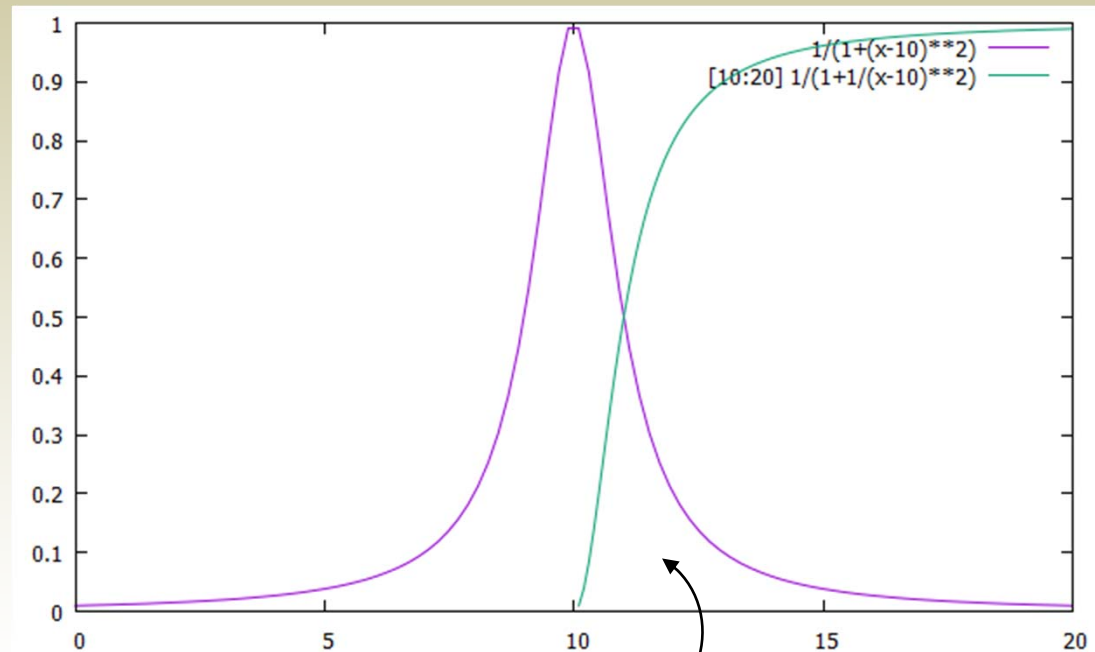
- Examples:

IV. The fuzzy subset \underline{A} of real numbers close to 10

V. The fuzzy subset \underline{B} of real numbers significantly larger than 10

$$\mu_{\underline{A}}(x) = \frac{1}{1 + (x - 10)^2}$$

$$\mu_{\underline{B}}(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x \leq 10 \\ \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{(x-10)^2}} & \text{if } x > 10 \end{cases}$$



$\underline{A} \cap \underline{B}$

Real numbers who are close to 10
fuzzy-and significantly larger than 10



Simple operations on fuzzy subsets

- **Inclusion**: We say that \underline{A} is included in \underline{B} if $\forall x \in E : \mu_{\underline{A}}(x) \leq \mu_{\underline{B}}(x)$ denoted as $\underline{A} \subset \underline{B}$ or $\underline{A} \subseteq \underline{B}$

We can write: $E \subseteq E$

- **Strict inclusion**: If for at least one x , it holds that:

$$\mu_{\underline{A}}(x) < \mu_{\underline{B}}(x)$$

denoted as $\underline{A} \subset \subset \underline{B}$

- **Equality**:

$$\forall x \in E : \mu_{\underline{A}}(x) = \mu_{\underline{B}}(x) \quad \text{denoted as } \underline{A} = \underline{B}$$

- **Complementation** (actually, it is *pseudo-complementation*):

$$\forall x \in E : \mu_{\underline{B}}(x) = 1 - \mu_{\underline{A}}(x) \quad \text{denoted as } \underline{B} = \overline{\underline{A}}$$

It holds that: $\overline{\overline{\underline{A}}} = \underline{A}$



Simple operations on fuzzy subsets

- **Intersection**: This is the *fuzzy and*

$$\forall x \in E : \mu_{\underline{A} \cap \underline{B}}(x) = \text{MIN}\{\mu_{\underline{A}}(x), \mu_{\underline{B}}(x)\} \quad \text{denoted as } \underline{A} \cap \underline{B}$$

- **Union**: This is the *fuzzy or/and*

$$\forall x \in E : \mu_{\underline{A} \cup \underline{B}}(x) = \text{MAX}\{\mu_{\underline{A}}(x), \mu_{\underline{B}}(x)\} \quad \text{denoted as } \underline{A} \cup \underline{B}$$

- **Disjunctive sum**: This is the *fuzzy disjunctive or*

$$\underline{A} \oplus \underline{B} = (\underline{A} \cap \overline{\underline{B}}) \cup (\overline{\underline{A}} \cap \underline{B})$$

- **Difference**:

$$\underline{A} - \underline{B} = \underline{A} \cap \overline{\underline{B}}$$



Simple operations on fuzzy subsets

- Generalized Hamming distance:

$$d(\underline{A}, \underline{B}) = \sum_{i=1}^n |\mu_{\underline{A}}(x_i) - \mu_{\underline{B}}(x_i)|$$

- Euclidean distance or Quadratic distance:

$$e(\underline{A}, \underline{B}) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (\mu_{\underline{A}}(x_i) - \mu_{\underline{B}}(x_i))^2}$$

- Generalized relative Hamming distance:

$$\delta(\underline{A}, \underline{B}) = \frac{d(\underline{A}, \underline{B})}{n}$$

- Relative Euclidean distance:

$$\epsilon(\underline{A}, \underline{B}) = \frac{e(\underline{A}, \underline{B})}{\sqrt{n}}$$



Simple operations on fuzzy subsets

- The ordinary subset nearest to a fuzzy subset:

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_{\underline{A}}(x_i) &= 0 && \text{if } \mu_{\underline{A}}(x_i) < 0.5 \\ &= 1 && \text{if } \mu_{\underline{A}}(x_i) > 0.5 \\ &= 0 \text{ or } 1 && \text{if } \mu_{\underline{A}}(x_i) = 0.5\end{aligned}$$

- Index of fuzziness:

- Linear index of fuzziness

$$\nu(\underline{A}) = \frac{2}{n} d(\underline{A}, \underline{A})$$

- Quadratic index of fuzziness:

$$\eta(\underline{A}) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{n}} e(\underline{A}, \underline{A})$$



Simple operations on fuzzy subsets

- Properties concerning the nearest ordinary subset:

$$\underline{\underline{A}} \cap \underline{\underline{B}} = \underline{\underline{A}} \cap \underline{\underline{B}}$$

$$\underline{\underline{A}} \cup \underline{\underline{B}} = \underline{\underline{A}} \cup \underline{\underline{B}}$$

$$\forall x_i \in E : |\mu_{\underline{\underline{A}}}(x_i) - \mu_{\underline{\underline{A}}}(x_i)| = \mu_{\underline{\underline{A}} \cap \underline{\underline{A}}}(x_i)$$

- One sometimes calls the fuzzy subset whose membership function is $2\mu_{\underline{\underline{A}} \cap \underline{\underline{A}}}(x)$ the *vectorial indicator of fuzziness*



Simple operations on fuzzy subsets

- Evaluation of *fuzziness through entropy*

- Recall the entropy of a system comprised by N states:

$$\mathcal{H}(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_N) = - \sum_{i=1}^N p_i \times \ln(p_i)$$

- minimum value= 0, maximum value= $\ln(N)$
- Thus, the above equation in $[0,1]$ becomes a measure of fuzziness:

$$\mathcal{H}(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_N) = - \frac{1}{\ln(N)} \sum_{i=1}^N p_i \times \ln(p_i)$$

- Explanation through an example:

$$\mu_{\underline{A}}(x_1) = 0.7, \quad \mu_{\underline{A}}(x_2) = 0.9, \quad \mu_{\underline{A}}(x_3) = 0.0,$$

$$\mu_{\underline{A}}(x_4) = 0.6, \quad \mu_{\underline{A}}(x_5) = 0.5, \quad \mu_{\underline{A}}(x_6) = 1,$$



Simple operations on fuzzy subsets

- Putting:

$$\pi_{\underline{A}}(x_i) = \frac{\mu_{\underline{A}}(x_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^6 \mu_{\underline{A}}(x_i)}$$

- We get:

$$\pi_{\underline{A}}(x_1) = \frac{7}{37}, \quad \pi_{\underline{A}}(x_2) = \frac{9}{37}, \quad \pi_{\underline{A}}(x_3) = 0.0,$$

$$\pi_{\underline{A}}(x_4) = \frac{6}{37}, \quad \pi_{\underline{A}}(x_5) = \frac{5}{37}, \quad \pi_{\underline{A}}(x_6) = \frac{10}{37}$$

Therefore:

$$\mathcal{H}(\pi_1, \pi_2, \dots, \pi_6) = -\frac{1}{\ln(6)} \sum_{i=1}^6 \pi_{\underline{A}}(x_i) \times \ln(\pi_{\underline{A}}(x_i)) = \dots = 0.89$$

Entropy may be used in the theory of fuzzy subsets, but it is not a good indicator



Simple operations on fuzzy subsets

- **Ordinary subset of level α :**

- For $\alpha \in [0,1]$

$$A_\alpha = \{x | \mu_{\underline{A}}(x) \geq \alpha\}$$

- Important property:

$$\alpha_2 \geq \alpha_1 \Rightarrow A_{\alpha_2} \subset A_{\alpha_1}$$

- **Decomposition theorem:** Any fuzzy subset \underline{A} can be decomposed as products of ordinary subsets by the coefficients α_i

$$\underline{A} = \max_{\alpha_i} [\alpha_1 \times A_{\alpha_1}, \alpha_2 \times A_{\alpha_2}, \dots, \alpha_n \times A_{\alpha_n}],$$

$$0 < \alpha_i \leq 1, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$



Decomposition theorem proof

- **Proof:** The proof is immediate:

$$\mu_{A_{\alpha_i}}(x) = 1, \text{ if } \mu_{\underline{A}}(x) \geq \alpha_i$$

$$\mu_{A_{\alpha_i}}(x) = 0, \text{ if } \mu_{\underline{A}}(x) < \alpha_i$$

- So, the membership function of \underline{A} may be written:

$$\mu_{\underline{A}}(x) = \max_{\alpha_i} [\alpha_i A_{\alpha_i}]$$

$$= \max_{\alpha_i \leq \mu_{\underline{A}}(x)} [\alpha_i]$$

$$= \mu_{\underline{A}}(x)$$



Decomposition theorem example

$$\begin{array}{c} x_1 \quad x_2 \quad x_3 \quad x_4 \quad x_5 \\ \boxed{0,2 \quad 0 \quad 0,5 \quad 1 \quad 0,7} = \text{MAX} \left((0,2) \cdot \begin{array}{c} x_1 \quad x_2 \quad x_3 \quad x_4 \quad x_5 \\ \boxed{1 \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad 1 \quad 1} \end{array}, \right. \\ \\ (0,5) \cdot \begin{array}{c} x_1 \quad x_2 \quad x_3 \quad x_4 \quad x_5 \\ \boxed{0 \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad 1 \quad 1} \end{array}, (0,7) \cdot \begin{array}{c} x_1 \quad x_2 \quad x_3 \quad x_4 \quad x_5 \\ \boxed{0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad 1} \end{array}, \\ \\ (1) \cdot \begin{array}{c} x_1 \quad x_2 \quad x_3 \quad x_4 \quad x_5 \\ \boxed{0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad 0} \end{array} \left. \right) \end{array}$$



Set of fuzzy subsets for E and M finite

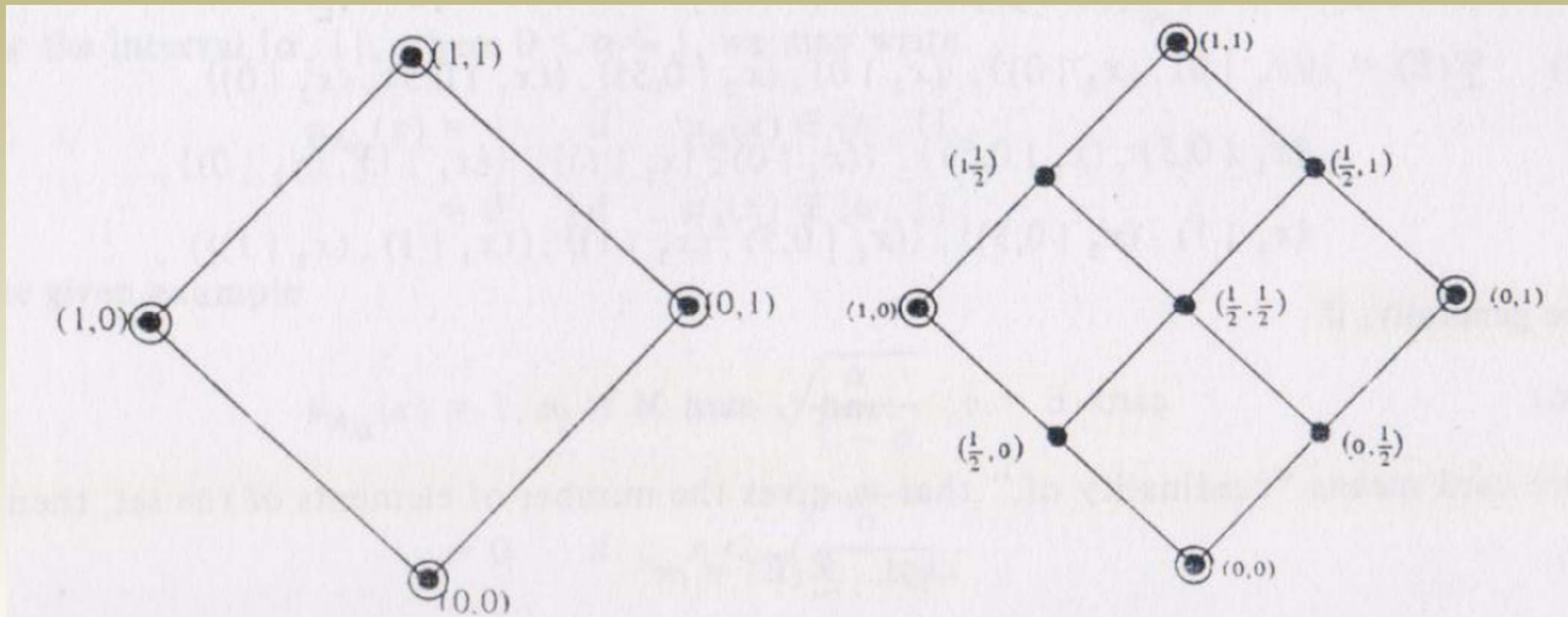
- The powerset for a fuzzy subset

- If cardinality[E] = n and cardinality[M] = m , then:

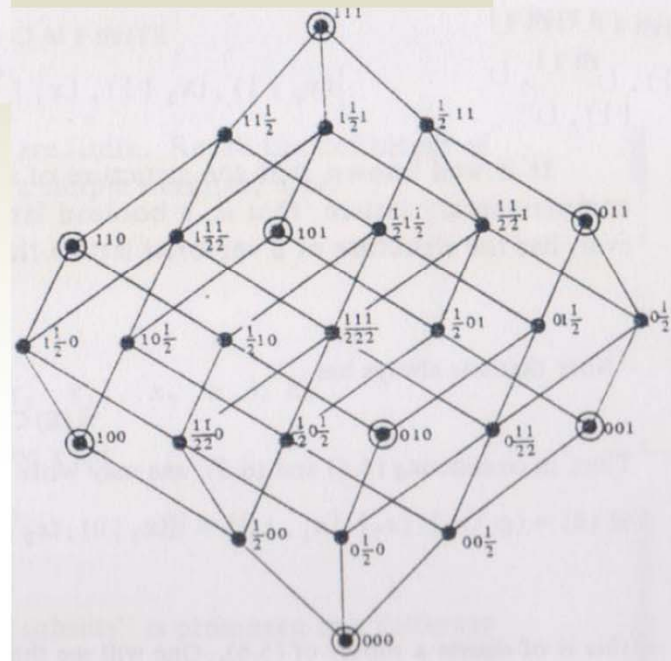
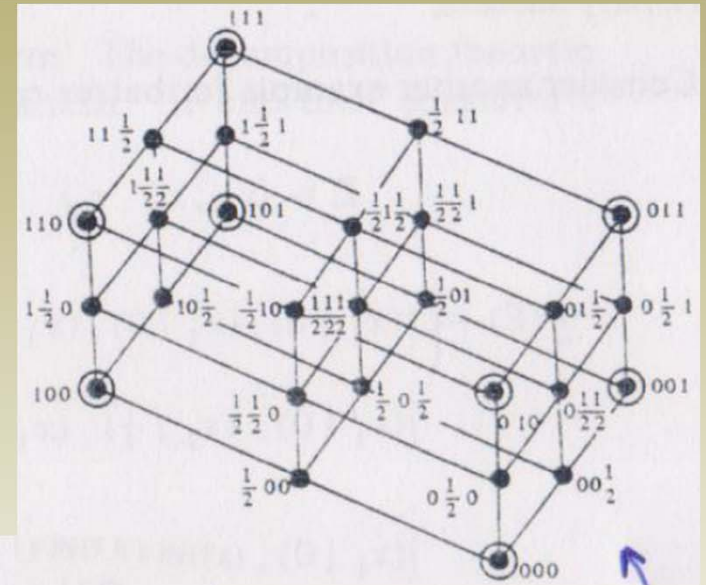
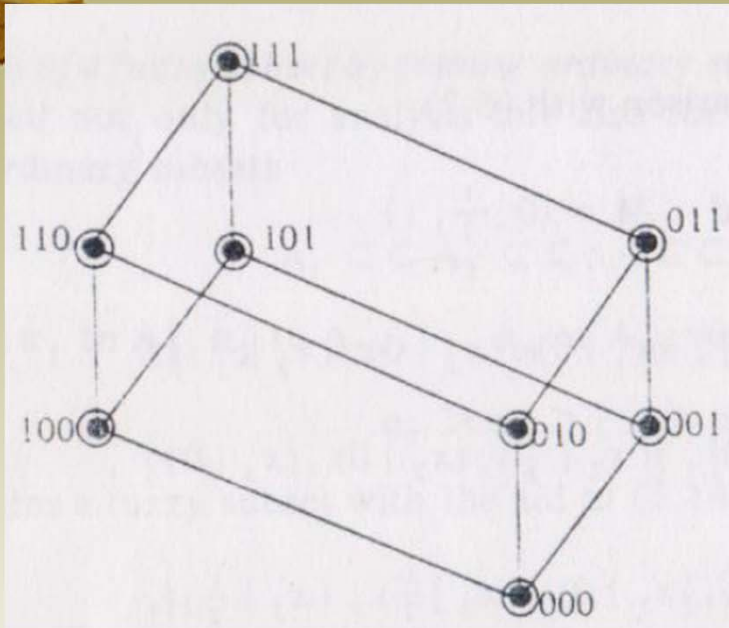
$$\text{cardinality}[\mathcal{P}(E)] = m^n$$

- It is well known that the structure of a power set $\mathcal{P}(E)$ of a set is a distributive and complementary lattice, that is, a *boolean lattice*. The set of fuzzy subsets $\mathcal{F}(E)$, however, has the structure of a *vectorial lattice* that is distributive but not complementary

Set of fuzzy subsets for E and M finite



Set of fuzzy subsets for E and M finite





Properties of the powerset of ordinary set

$A \cap B = B \cap A$	(1)	} commutativity properties
$A \cup B = B \cup A$	(2)	
$(A \cap B) \cap C = A \cap (B \cap C)$	(3)	} associativity properties
$(A \cup B) \cup C = A \cup (B \cup C)$	(4)	
$A \cap A = A$	(5)	} idempotence
$A \cup A = A$	(6)	
$A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$	(7)	} distributivity of intersection with respect to union, and of union with respect to intersection
$A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$	(8)	
$A \cap \bar{A} = \emptyset$ Law of contradiction	(9)	
$A \cup \bar{A} = E$ Law of excluded middle	(10)	
$A \cap \emptyset = \emptyset$	(11)	absorption by \emptyset
$A \cup \emptyset = A$	(12)	} identity
$A \cap E = A$	(13)	
$A \cup E = E$	(14)	absorption by E
$\overline{(\bar{A})} = A$	(15)	involution
$\overline{A \cap B} = \bar{A} \cup \bar{B}$	(16)	} De Morgan's theorems
$\overline{A \cup B} = \bar{A} \cap \bar{B}$	(17)	



Properties of the set of fuzzy subsets

$$\widetilde{A \cap B} = \widetilde{B \cap A} \quad (18)$$

$$\widetilde{A \cup B} = \widetilde{B \cup A} \quad (19)$$

commutativity properties

$$\widetilde{(A \cap B) \cap C} = \widetilde{A \cap (B \cap C)} \quad (20)$$

$$\widetilde{(A \cup B) \cup C} = \widetilde{A \cup (B \cup C)} \quad (21)$$

associativity properties

$$\widetilde{A \cap A} = \widetilde{A} \quad (22)$$

$$\widetilde{A \cup A} = \widetilde{A} \quad (23)$$

idempotence

$$\widetilde{A \cap (B \cup C)} = \widetilde{(A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)} \quad (24)$$

$$\widetilde{A \cup (B \cap C)} = \widetilde{(A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)} \quad (25)$$

distributivity of intersection with respect to union, and of union with respect to intersection

$$\widetilde{A \cap \emptyset} = \emptyset \quad (26)$$

$$\widetilde{A \cup \emptyset} = \widetilde{A} \quad (27)$$

where \emptyset is the ordinary set, such that $\mu_{\emptyset}(x_i)=0, \forall x_i$

$$\widetilde{A \cap E} = \widetilde{A} \quad (28)$$

$$\widetilde{A \cup E} = E \quad (29)$$

where E is the ordinary set, such that $\mu_E(x_i)=1, \forall x_i$

$$\widetilde{\widetilde{A}} = A \quad (30)$$

involution

$$\widetilde{\widetilde{A \cap B}} = \widetilde{\widetilde{A}} \cup \widetilde{\widetilde{B}} \quad (31)$$

$$\widetilde{\widetilde{A \cup B}} = \widetilde{\widetilde{A}} \cap \widetilde{\widetilde{B}} \quad (32)$$

De Morgan's theorems



Properties of the set of fuzzy subsets

- We see that all properties (1)-(17) are satisfied except from (9) and (10)
- One may define a unique complement, but the properties (9) and (10) hold only for ordinary subsets
- Thus, we stress: All properties of an ordinary power set are found again in a power set of fuzzy subsets, except (9) and (10). Thus, we no longer have an *algebra* in the sense of the theory of ordinary sets; the structure is that of a *vector lattice*



Algebraic product and sum of two fuzzy subsets

- **Algebraic product**: E be an ordinary set and $M=[0, 1]$

$$\forall x \in E : \mu_{\underline{A}.\underline{B}}(x) = \mu_{\underline{A}}(x) \times \mu_{\underline{B}}(x) \quad \text{denoted as } \underline{A}.\underline{B}$$

- **Algebraic sum**:

$$\forall x \in E : \mu_{\underline{A}\hat{+}\underline{B}}(x) = \mu_{\underline{A}}(x) + \mu_{\underline{B}}(x) - \mu_{\underline{A}}(x) \times \mu_{\underline{B}}(x) \quad \text{denoted as } \underline{A}\hat{+}\underline{B}$$

- One important remark:

- If $M=\{0, 1\}$, i.e., we are in the case of ordinary subsets, then

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

$$A \cup B = A\hat{+}B$$



Algebraic product and sum of two fuzzy subsets

$$\underline{\underline{A}} \cdot \underline{\underline{B}} = \underline{\underline{B}} \cdot \underline{\underline{A}} \quad (33)$$

$$\underline{\underline{A}} \hat{+} \underline{\underline{B}} = \underline{\underline{B}} \hat{+} \underline{\underline{A}} \quad (34)$$

$$(\underline{\underline{A}} \cdot \underline{\underline{B}}) \cdot \underline{\underline{C}} = \underline{\underline{A}} \cdot (\underline{\underline{B}} \cdot \underline{\underline{C}}) \quad (35)$$

$$(\underline{\underline{A}} \hat{+} \underline{\underline{B}}) \hat{+} \underline{\underline{C}} = \underline{\underline{A}} \hat{+} (\underline{\underline{B}} \hat{+} \underline{\underline{C}}) \quad (36)$$

$$\underline{\underline{A}} \cdot \emptyset = \emptyset \quad (37)$$

$$\underline{\underline{A}} \hat{+} \emptyset = \underline{\underline{A}} \quad (38)$$

$$\underline{\underline{A}} \cdot E = \underline{\underline{A}} \quad (39)$$

$$\underline{\underline{A}} \hat{+} E = E \quad (40)$$

$$\overline{\underline{\underline{A}}} = \underline{\underline{A}} \quad (41)$$

$$\overline{\underline{\underline{A}} \cdot \underline{\underline{B}}} = \overline{\underline{\underline{A}}} \hat{+} \overline{\underline{\underline{B}}} \quad (42)$$

$$\overline{\underline{\underline{A}} \hat{+} \underline{\underline{B}}} = \overline{\underline{\underline{A}}} \cdot \overline{\underline{\underline{B}}} \quad (43)$$

commutativity properties

associativity properties

involution

De Morgan's theorems

- Only the above properties are verified. Idempotence [(5) and (6)], distributivity [(7) and (8)], and of course (9) and (10) are not satisfied



Algebraic product and sum of two fuzzy subsets

- Note that \cup is not distributive with respect to \cdot or $\hat{+}$, and likewise \cap , but on the other hand one has:

$$\underset{\sim}{A} \cdot (\underset{\sim}{B} \cap \underset{\sim}{C}) = (\underset{\sim}{A} \cdot \underset{\sim}{B}) \cap (\underset{\sim}{A} \cdot \underset{\sim}{C}) \quad (44)$$

$$\underset{\sim}{A} \cdot (\underset{\sim}{B} \cup \underset{\sim}{C}) = (\underset{\sim}{A} \cdot \underset{\sim}{B}) \cup (\underset{\sim}{A} \cdot \underset{\sim}{C}) \quad (45)$$

$$\underset{\sim}{A} \hat{+} (\underset{\sim}{B} \cap \underset{\sim}{C}) = (\underset{\sim}{A} \hat{+} \underset{\sim}{B}) \cap (\underset{\sim}{A} \hat{+} \underset{\sim}{C}) \quad (46)$$

$$\underset{\sim}{A} \hat{+} (\underset{\sim}{B} \cup \underset{\sim}{C}) = (\underset{\sim}{A} \hat{+} \underset{\sim}{B}) \cup (\underset{\sim}{A} \hat{+} \underset{\sim}{C}) \quad (47)$$



Algebraic product and sum of two fuzzy subsets

- Let us prove (42):
 - Suppose that $\mu_A(x)=a$ and $\mu_B(x)=b$
 - The left part gives: $1-ab$
 - The right part gives: $(1-a)+(1-b)-(1-a)(1-b)= 1-a+1-b-1-ab+a+b= 1-ab$
 - Thus, the two parts are alike
- Let us disprove that distributivity holds, i.e., that
$$\underline{A} \cdot (\underline{B} \hat{+} \underline{C}) \neq (\underline{A} \cdot \underline{B}) \hat{+} (\underline{A} \cdot \underline{C})$$
 - The left part gives: $a(b+c-bc)= ab +ac -abc$
 - The right part gives: $ab + ac -abac= ab +ac -a^2bc$



Fuzzy relation

- Example 1

- $E_1 = \{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$
- $E_2 = \{y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4, y_5\}$
- $M = [0, 1]$

	y_1	y_2	y_3	y_4	y_5
x_1	0	0	0,1	0,3	1
x_2	0	0,8	0	0	1
x_3	0,4	0,4	0,5	0	0,2

- Example 2

- $E_1 = E_2 = R$
- Η σχέση: $y \ll x$ is a fuzzy relation

$$\mu_{R^2}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } y \geq x \\ \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{(x-y)^2}} & y < x \end{cases}$$

Projection of a fuzzy relation

- *First projection* of \tilde{R}
- *Second projection* of \tilde{R}
- The second projection of the first projection (or vice versa) will be called the *global projection*

$$\mu_{\tilde{R}}^{(1)}(x) = \bigvee_y \mu_{\tilde{R}}(x, y)$$

$$\mu_{\tilde{R}}^{(2)}(y) = \bigvee_x \mu_{\tilde{R}}(x, y)$$

$$\begin{aligned} h(\tilde{R}) &= \bigvee_x \bigvee_y \mu_{\tilde{R}}(x, y) \\ &= \bigvee_y \bigvee_x \mu_{\tilde{R}}(x, y) \end{aligned}$$

If $h(\tilde{R}) = 1$, the relation is said to be *normal*.
 If $h(\tilde{R}) < 1$, the relation is called *subnormal*.

\tilde{R}	y_1	y_2	y_3	y_4	1 st proj.
x_1	0,1	0,2	1	0,3	1
x_2	0,6	0,8	0	0,1	0,8
x_3	0	1	0,3	0,6	1
x_4	0,8	0,1	1	0	1
x_5	0,9	0,7	0	0,5	0,9
x_6	0,9	0	0,3	0,7	0,9
2 nd proj.	0,9	1	1	0,7	1
					global projection



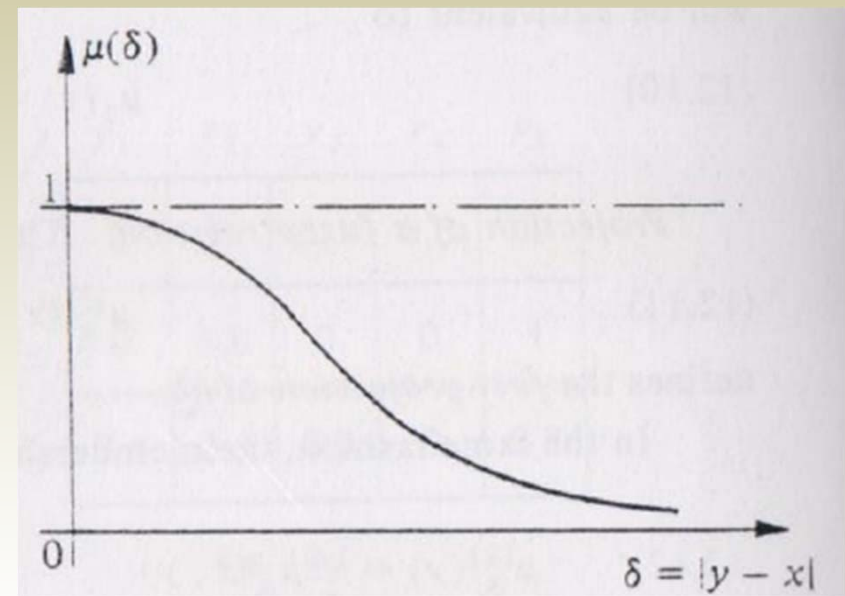
Projection of a fuzzy relation: Example 2

- x and y are very near to one another:

$$\mu_{\tilde{R}}(x, y) = e^{-k(y-x)^2}, \quad k > 1$$

- For a fixed value x_0 :

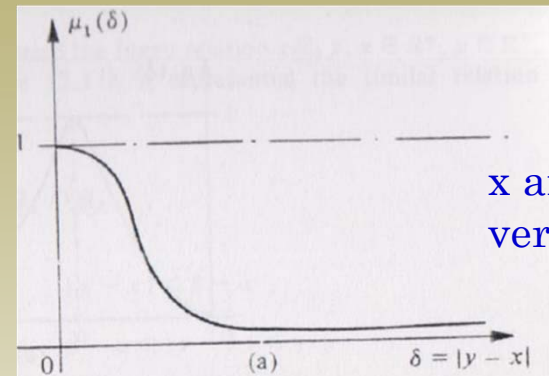
$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{\tilde{R}}^{(1)}(x_0) &= V_y \mu_{\tilde{R}}(x_0, y) \\ &= V_y e^{-k(y-x_0)^2} \\ &= e^{-k(y-x_0)^2} \quad \text{for } y = x_0 \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$



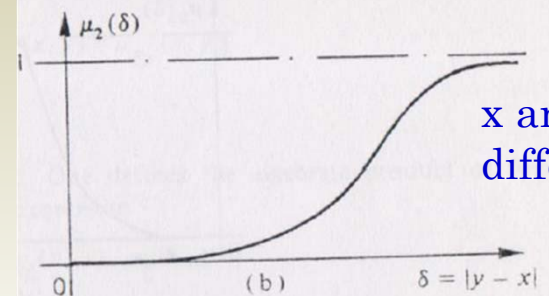


Union of two fuzzy relations

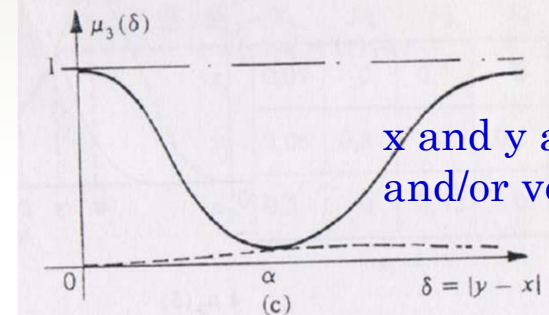
$$\begin{aligned}\mu_{\widetilde{R \cup Q}}(x, y) &= \mu_{\widetilde{R}}(x, y) \vee \mu_{\widetilde{Q}}(x, y) \\ &= \max[\mu_{\widetilde{R}}(x, y), \mu_{\widetilde{Q}}(x, y)]\end{aligned}$$



x and y are very near



x and y are very different

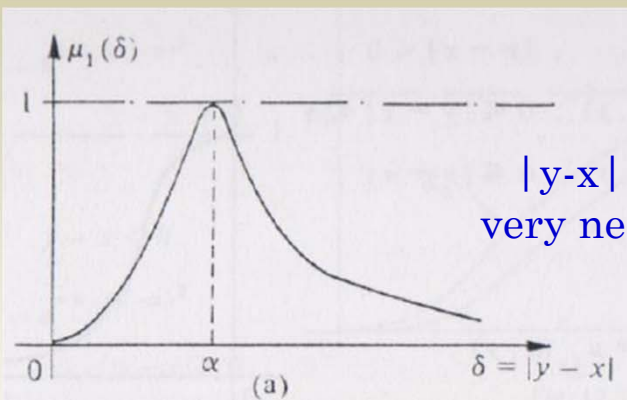


x and y are very near and/or very different

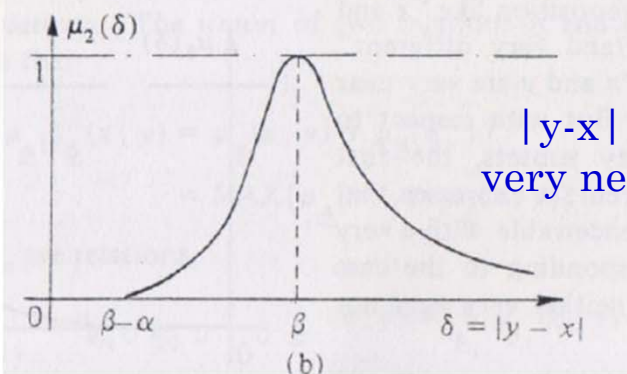


Intersection of two fuzzy relations

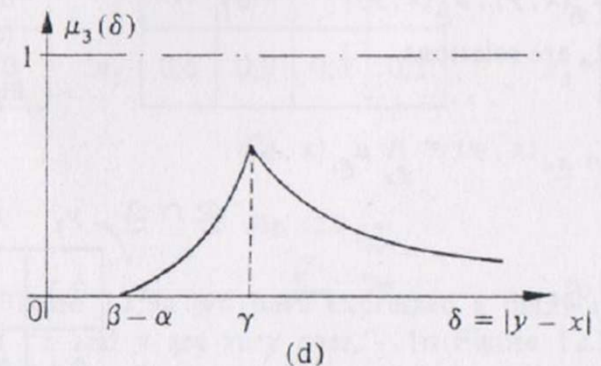
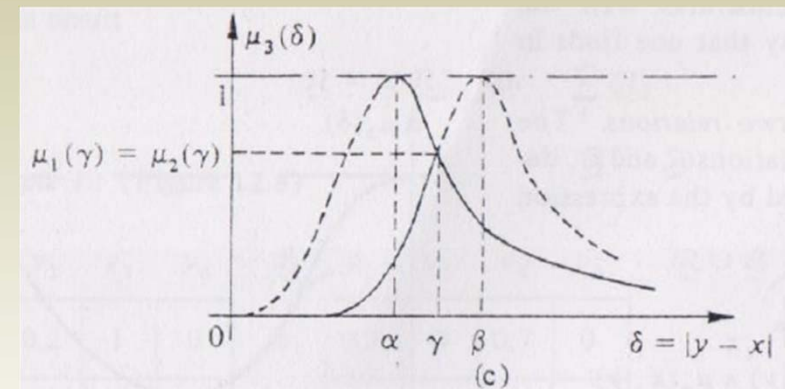
$$\begin{aligned}\mu_{\tilde{R} \cap \tilde{Q}}(x, y) &= \mu_{\tilde{R}}(x, y) \wedge \mu_{\tilde{Q}}(x, y) \\ &= \min[\mu_{\tilde{R}}(x, y), \mu_{\tilde{Q}}(x, y)]\end{aligned}$$



$|y-x|$ is
very near α



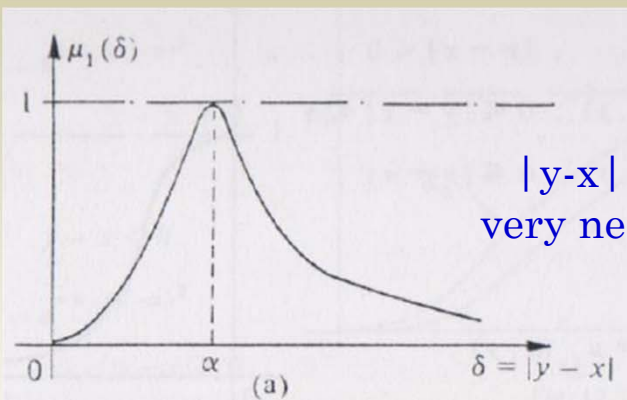
$|y-x|$ is
very near β



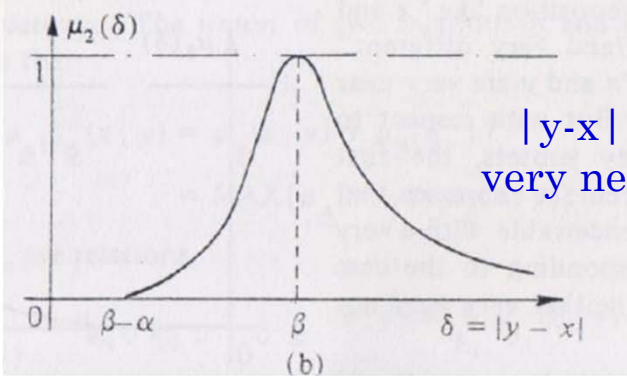


Algebraic product of two fuzzy relations

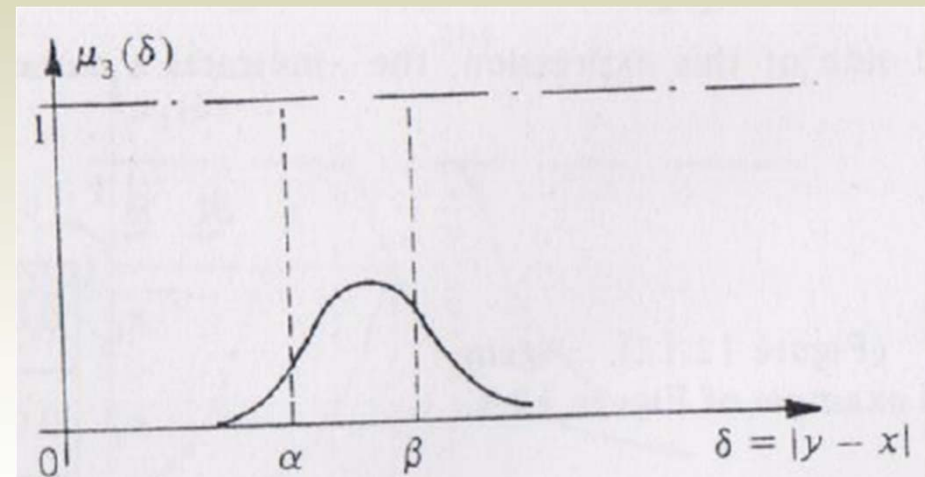
$$\underbrace{\mu_{R.Q}}_{\sim \sim}(x, y) = \underbrace{\mu_R}_{\sim}(x, y) \cdot \underbrace{\mu_Q}_{\sim}(x, y)$$



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very near α



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Distributivity property

$$\underbrace{R}_{\sim} \cap (\underbrace{Q}_{\sim} \cup \underbrace{P}_{\sim}) = (\underbrace{R}_{\sim} \cap \underbrace{Q}_{\sim}) \cup (\underbrace{R}_{\sim} \cap \underbrace{P}_{\sim})$$

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Algebraic sum of two fuzzy relations

$$\mu_{\underline{R} \hat{+} \underline{Q}}(x, y) = \mu_{\underline{R}}(x, y) + \mu_{\underline{Q}}(x, y) - \mu_{\underline{R}}(x, y) \cdot \mu_{\underline{Q}}(x, y)$$

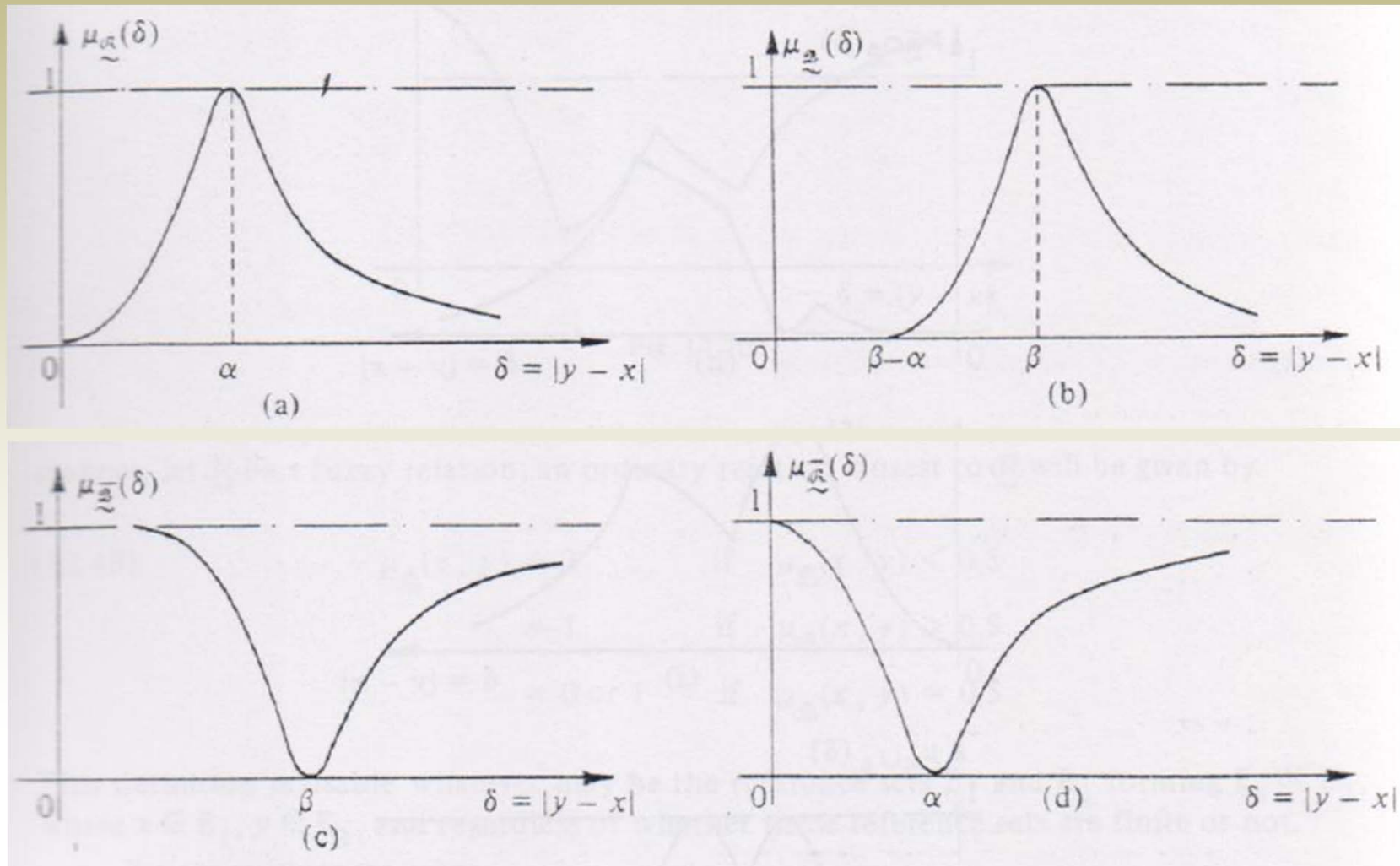
- The complement of a relation:

$$\mu_{\underline{R}}(x, y) = 1 - \mu_{\underline{R}}(x, y)$$



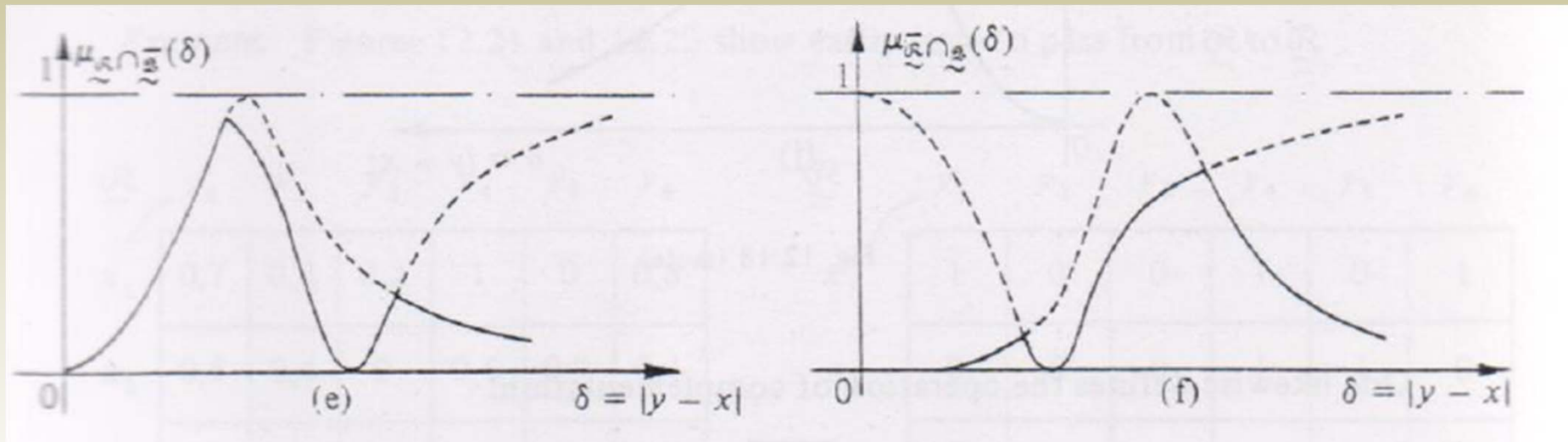
Disjunctive sum of two fuzzy relations

$$\underline{\tilde{R}} \oplus \underline{\tilde{Q}} = (\underline{\tilde{R}} \cap \overline{\underline{\tilde{Q}}}) \cup (\overline{\underline{\tilde{R}}} \cap \underline{\tilde{Q}})$$

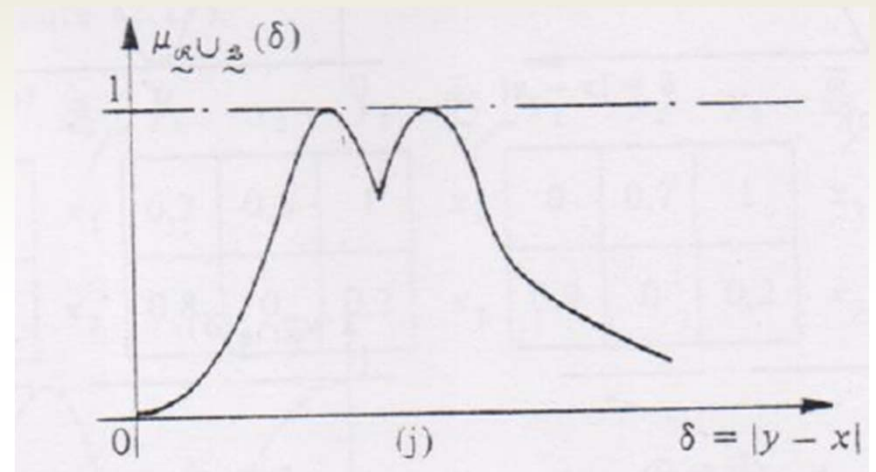
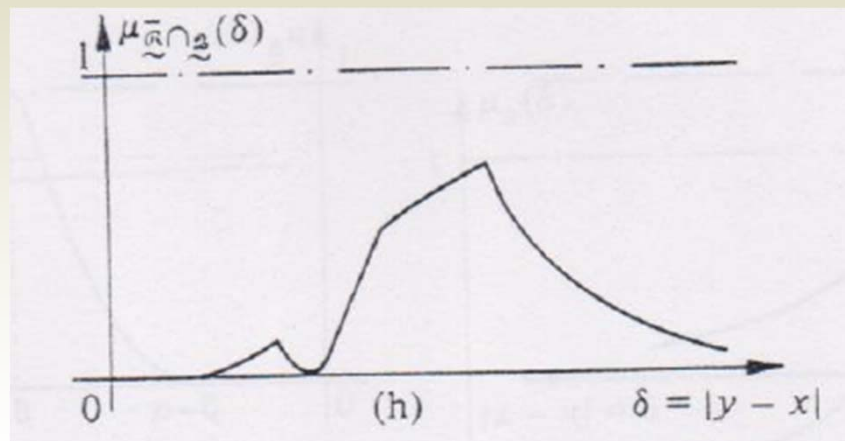
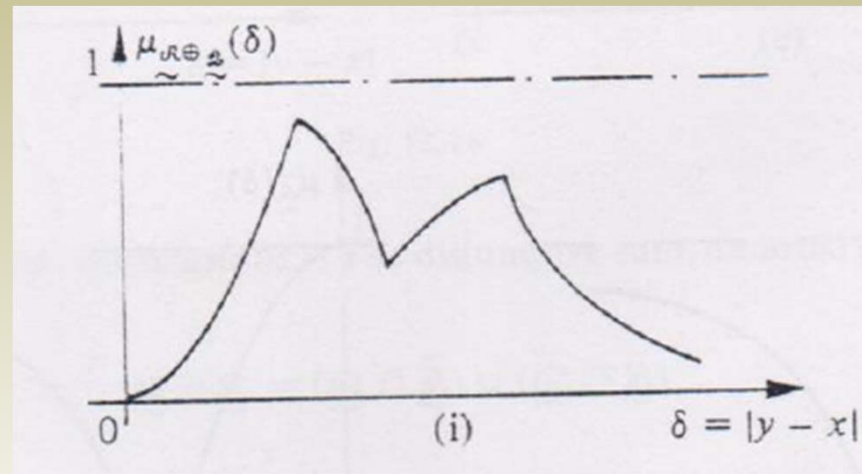
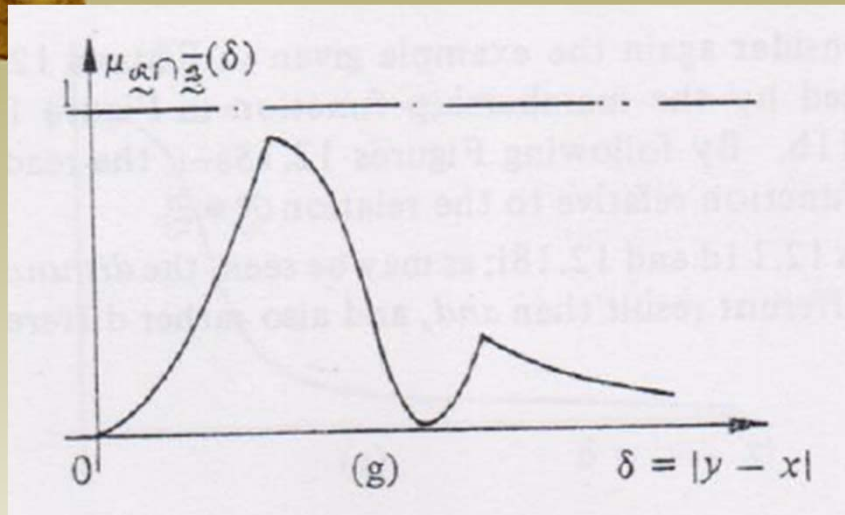




Disjunctive sum of two fuzzy relations



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Composition of two fuzzy relations

- Max-min composition

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_{\widetilde{R} \circ \widetilde{Q}}(x, z) &= \bigvee_y [\mu_{\widetilde{R}}(x, y) \wedge \mu_{\widetilde{Q}}(y, z)] \\ &= \max_y \left[\min \left\{ \mu_{\widetilde{R}}(x, y), \mu_{\widetilde{Q}}(y, z) \right\} \right]\end{aligned}$$

- Max-star composition: we may replace the operation \wedge with another, under the restriction that one uses an operation that is associative and monotone nondecreasing in each argument. Then:

$$\mu_{\widetilde{R} * \widetilde{Q}}(x, z) = \bigvee_y [\mu_{\widetilde{R}}(x, y) * \mu_{\widetilde{Q}}(y, z)]$$

- Max-product composition: among the max-star compositions, max-product is particularly interesting, where instead of star it uses the usual product operation

$$\mu_{\widetilde{R} \cdot \widetilde{Q}}(x, z) = \bigvee_y [\mu_{\widetilde{R}}(x, y) \cdot \mu_{\widetilde{Q}}(y, z)]$$



Composition of fuzzy relations: Example

\tilde{R}	y_1	y_2	y_3	y_4	y_5
x_1	0.1	0.2	0	1	0.7
x_2	0.3	0.5	0	0.2	1
x_3	0.8	0	1	0.4	0.3

\tilde{Q}	z_1	z_2	z_3	z_4
y_1	0.9	0	0.3	0.4
y_2	0.2	1	0.8	0
y_3	0.8	0	0.7	1
y_4	0.4	0.2	0.3	0
y_5	0	1	0	0.8

Εκκινώ με $(x, z) = (x_1, z_1)$

$$\min(\mu_{\tilde{R}}(x_1, y_1), \mu_{\tilde{Q}}(y_1, z_1))$$

$$= \min(0.1, 0.9)$$

$$= 0.1$$

$$\min(\mu_{\tilde{R}}(x_1, y_2), \mu_{\tilde{Q}}(y_2, z_1))$$

$$= \min(0.2, 0.2)$$

$$= 0.2$$

$$\min(\mu_{\tilde{R}}(x_1, y_3), \mu_{\tilde{Q}}(y_3, z_1))$$

$$= \min(0, 0.8)$$

$$= 0$$

$$\min(\mu_{\tilde{R}}(x_1, y_4), \mu_{\tilde{Q}}(y_4, z_1))$$

$$= \min(1, 0.4)$$

$$= 0.4$$

$$\min(\mu_{\tilde{R}}(x_1, y_5), \mu_{\tilde{Q}}(y_5, z_1))$$

$$= \min(0.7, 0)$$

$$= 0$$

$$\max[\min(\mu_{\tilde{R}}(x_1, y_i), \mu_{\tilde{Q}}(y_i, z_1))]$$

$$= \max(0.1, 0.2, 0, 0.4, 0)$$

$$= 0.4$$

$\tilde{R} \circ \tilde{Q}$	z_1	z_2	z_3	z_4
x_1	0.4	0.7	0.3	0.7
x_2	0.3	1	0.5	0.8
x_3	0.8	0.3	0.7	1



Fuzzy vector-matrix multiplication

$\underline{\underline{A}}$				
	0.3	0.4	0.8	1

$\underline{\underline{B}}$			
	0.2	0.8	0.7
	0.7	0.6	0.6
	0.8	0.1	0.5
	0	0.2	0.3

$$\{\underline{\underline{A}} \circ \underline{\underline{B}}\}_j = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} [\min(a_i, b_{i,j})]$$

$$\{\underline{\underline{A}} \circ \underline{\underline{B}}\}_1 = \max[\min(0.3, 0.2), \min(0.4, 0.7), \min(0.8, 0.8), \min(1, 0)]$$

$$= \min(0.2, 0.4, 0.8, 0)$$

$$= 0.2$$

$$\{\underline{\underline{A}} \circ \underline{\underline{B}}\}_2 = \max(0.3, 0.4, 0.1, 0.2)$$

$$= 0.4$$

$$\{\underline{\underline{A}} \circ \underline{\underline{B}}\}_3 = \max(0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.3)$$

$$= 0.5$$

$\underline{\underline{A}} \circ \underline{\underline{B}}$			
	0.2	0.4	0.5



Exercises

Recall (from your Discrete Mathematics course) the concepts of modus ponens and modus tollens as inference rules (κανόνες συμπεράσματος):

Modus ponens (κανών αποσπάσεως): $p \wedge (p \Rightarrow q) \Rightarrow q$

Modus tollens (κανών συλλογισμού αρνητικής μορφής): $(p \Rightarrow q) \wedge !q \Rightarrow !p$

Exercise 1. Let $t : \mathbf{S} \rightarrow [0,1]$ be a continuous or “fuzzy” truth function on the set \mathbf{S} of statements. Define the implication operator as the truth function $t_L(A \rightarrow B) = \min(1, 1 - t(A) + t(B))$ for statements A and B . Then prove the following generalized fuzzy *modus ponens* inference rule:

$$t_L(A \rightarrow B) = c$$

$$t(A) \geq \alpha$$

Therefore $t(B) \geq \max(0, \alpha + c - 1)$

Hence, if $t(A) = t_L(A \rightarrow B) = 1$, then $t(B) = 1$, which generalizes classical bivalent *modus ponens*.



Exercises

Exercise 2. Use the multivalued logic operations of the previous problem to prove the following generalized *modus tollens* inference rule:

$$t_L(A \rightarrow B) = c$$

$$t(B) \leq b$$

Therefore $t(A) \leq \min(1, 1-c+b)$

Hence, if $t_L(A \rightarrow B) = 1$ and $t(B) = 0$, then $t(A) = 0$, which generalizes classical bivalent *modus tollens*.

Exercise 3. Define the Gaines implication operator as:

$$t_G(A \rightarrow B) = \begin{cases} \min(1, t(B)/t(A)) & \text{if } t(A) > 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } t(A) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Use the Gaines implication operator $t_G(A \rightarrow B)$ to derive fuzzy *modus ponens* and *modus tollens* inference rules. The conclusions of the inference rules should differ from the conclusions of the inference rules in the previous two exercises.



Exercises

Exercise 4. Prove the following properties:

a) $\underline{\underline{A}} \cap (\underline{\underline{A}} \cup \underline{\underline{B}}) = \underline{\underline{A}}$ and $\underline{\underline{A}} \cup (\underline{\underline{A}} \cap \underline{\underline{B}}) = \underline{\underline{A}} = \underline{\underline{A}}$

b) $\emptyset \subset \underline{\underline{A}} \cap \overline{\underline{\underline{A}}} \subset \underline{\underline{A}} \cup \overline{\underline{\underline{A}}} \subset E$

c) $(\underline{\underline{A}} \cap \underline{\underline{B}}) \cup (\underline{\underline{B}} \cap \underline{\underline{C}}) \cup (\underline{\underline{C}} \cap \underline{\underline{A}}) = (\underline{\underline{A}} \cup \underline{\underline{B}}) \cap (\underline{\underline{B}} \cup \underline{\underline{C}}) \cap (\underline{\underline{C}} \cup \underline{\underline{A}})$

Exercise 5. Simplify the expression:

$$[\underline{\underline{A}} \cap [(\underline{\underline{B}} \cap \underline{\underline{C}}) \cup (\overline{\underline{\underline{A}}} \cap \overline{\underline{\underline{C}}})]] \cup \overline{\underline{\underline{C}}}$$



Exercises

Exercise 6. Consider the reference set $E = [0, \alpha] \subset \mathbb{R}$. If \tilde{A} is the fuzzy subset defined by:

$$\mu_{\tilde{A}}(x) = \frac{x^2}{\alpha^2}, \quad x \in [0, \alpha]$$

then give the linear index of fuzziness of \tilde{A} .

Exercise 7. Define the *ordinary subset of level α in a fuzzy relation* exactly the same way we did for the fuzzy subsets. Then, for the fuzzy relation defined in \mathbb{R}^2 by:

$$\mu_{\tilde{\mathcal{R}}}(x, y) = 1 - \frac{1}{1 + x^2 + y^2}$$

calculate the (ordinary) subset of level 0.3. Provide also its geometrical interpretation.