

Soft Computing: **Fuzzy Sets**

Fuzzy Sets

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Fuzzy Sets: Outline

Introduction

Basic definitions and terminology

Set-theoretic operations

MF formulation and parameterization

- MFs of one and two dimensions
- Derivatives of parameterized MFs

More on fuzzy union, intersection, and complement

- Fuzzy complement
- Fuzzy intersection and union
- Parameterized T-norm and T-conorm

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Motivation

- Treat vague (uncertain) concepts or information
- Use knowledge expressed linguistically
- Perform non-linear mapping from input to output described precisely mathematically

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Probability vs. Fuzziness

Randomness:

uncertainty described by tendency (frequency) of a random variable to take on a value in a specified region

Interpretations: frequency \rightarrow willingness to accept bet (subjective probability)

Fuzziness:

degree to which the element satisfies properties characterized by a fuzzy set.

Interpretations: Possibility \rightarrow similarity \rightarrow desirability

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Boolean Algebra (Run through)

Assign binary truth value to statements

A	statement	A	$\neg A$
1	true	1	0
0	false	0	1

Combine statements using AND and OR operators

A	B	$A \vee B$	A	B	$A \wedge B$
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	0	1	0
1	0	1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	1

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Binary Logic vs. Fuzzy Logic:

Sets with crisp and fuzzy boundaries, respectively

A = Set of tall people

Crisp set A

Fuzzy set A

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Membership Functions (MFs)

Characteristics of MFs:

- Subjective measures
- Not probability functions

MFs

Heights

5'10"

"tall" in Asia

"tall" in the US

"tall" in NBA

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Formal definition:

A fuzzy set A in X is expressed as a set of ordered pairs:

$$A = \{(x, \mu_A(x)) | x \in X, \mu_A(x): X \mapsto [0,1]\}$$

Labels in the diagram: Fuzzy set (points to the set notation), Membership function (MF) (points to $\mu_A(x)$), Universe or universe of discourse (points to X).

A fuzzy set is totally characterized by a membership function (MF).

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Fuzzy Sets with Discrete Universes

Fuzzy set C = "desirable city to live in"
 $X = \{\text{SF, Boston, Troy}\}$ (discrete and nonordered)
 $C = \{(\text{SF}, 0.9), (\text{Boston}, 0.8), (\text{Troy}, 0.6)\}$

Fuzzy set A = "sensible number of children"
 $X = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ (discrete universe)
 $A = \{(0, .1), (1, .3), (2, .7), (3, 1), (4, .6), (5, .2), (6, .1)\}$

Membership Grades

X = Number of Children

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Fuzzy Sets with Cont. Universes

Fuzzy set B = "about 50 years old"
 $X = \text{Set of positive real numbers (continuous)}$
 $B = \{(x, \mu_B(x)) | x \text{ in } X\}$

$$\mu_B(x) = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{x - 50}{10}\right)^2}$$

Membership Grades

X = Age

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Alternative Notation

A fuzzy set A can be alternatively denoted as follows:

X is discrete $\Rightarrow A = \sum_{x_i \in X} \mu_A(x_i) / x_i$

X is continuous $\Rightarrow A = \int_X \mu_A(x) / x$

Note that \sum and integral signs stand for the union of membership grades; "/" stands for a marker and does not imply division.

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Fuzzy Partition

Fuzzy partitions formed by the linguistic values "young", "middle aged", and "old":

Membership Grades

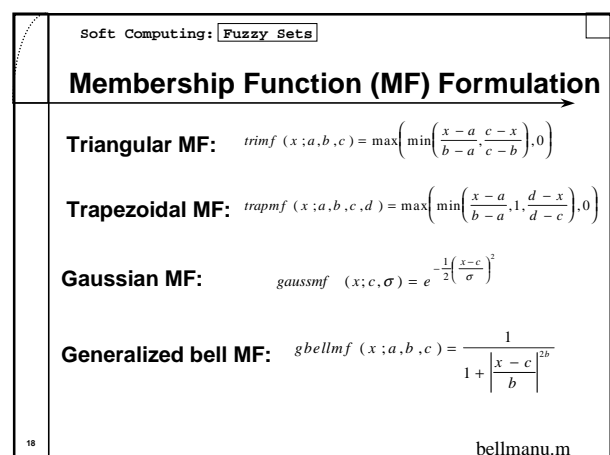
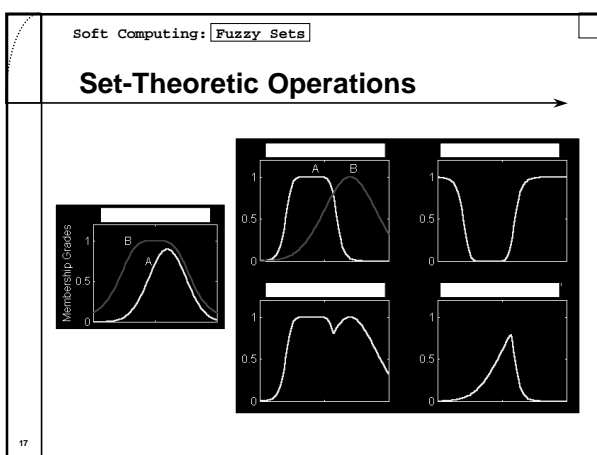
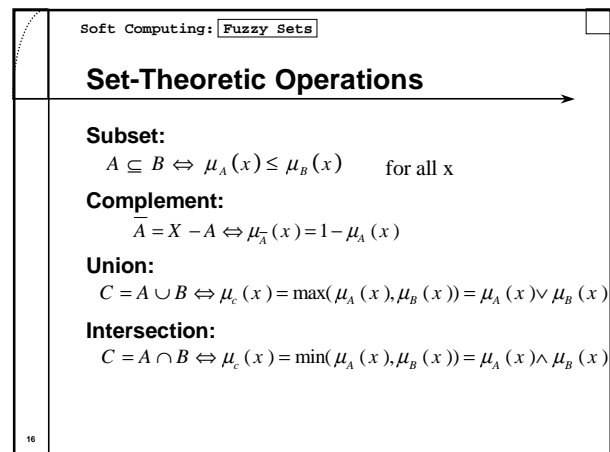
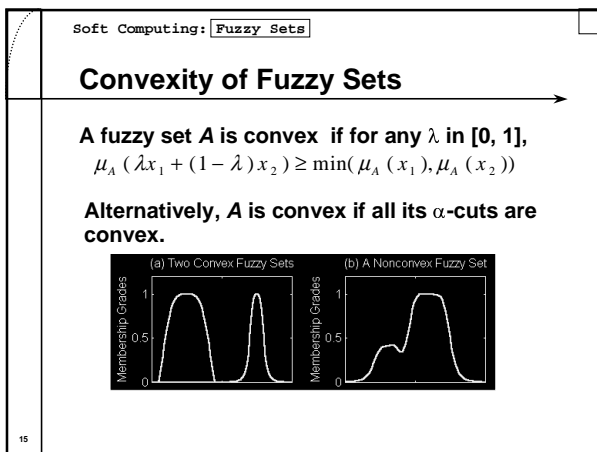
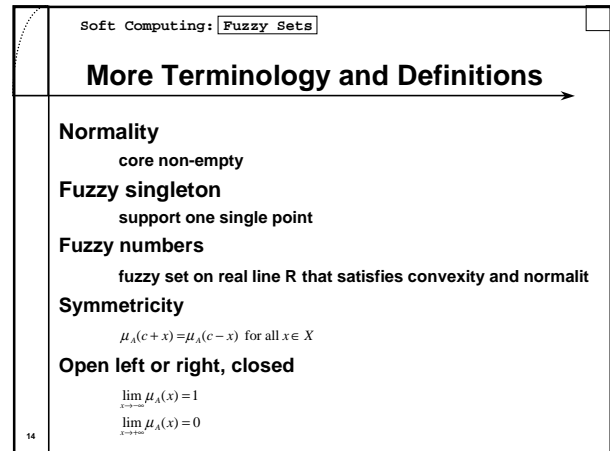
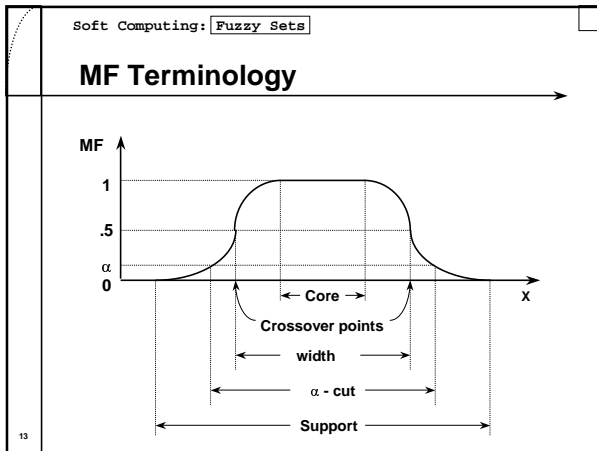
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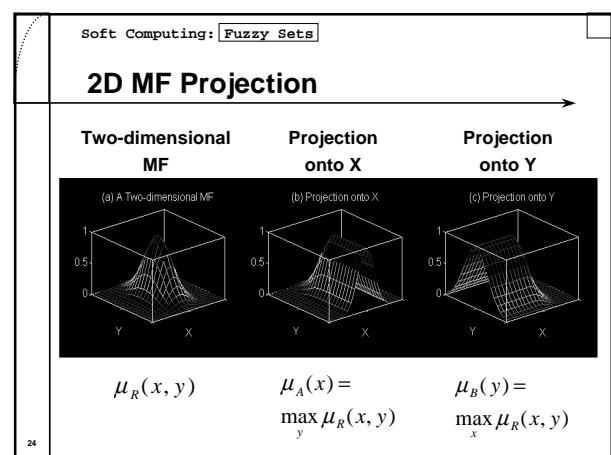
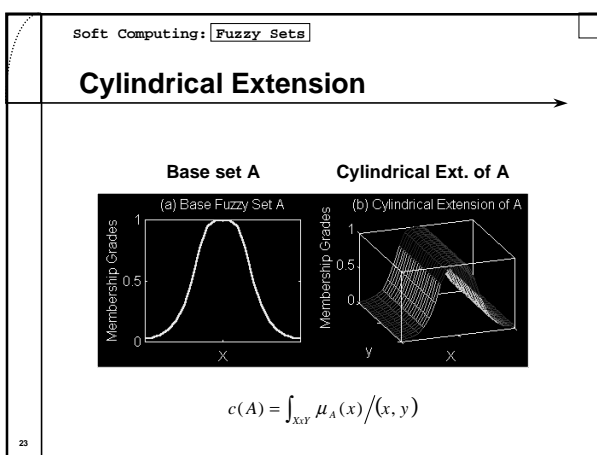
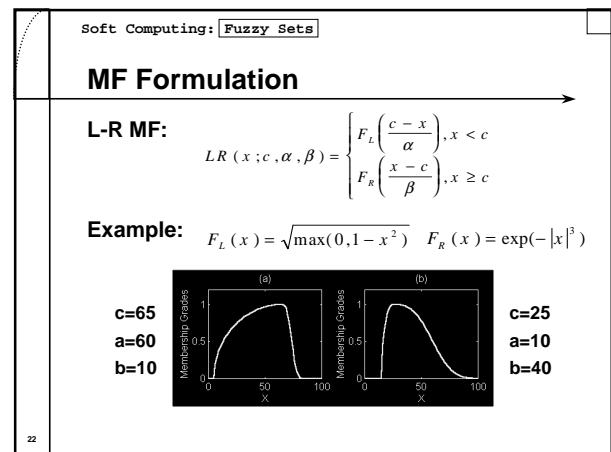
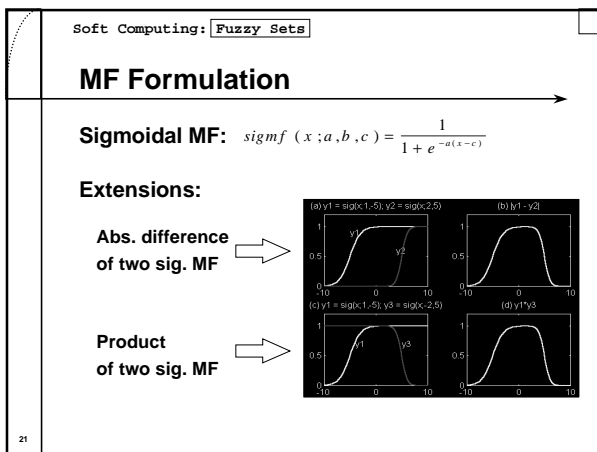
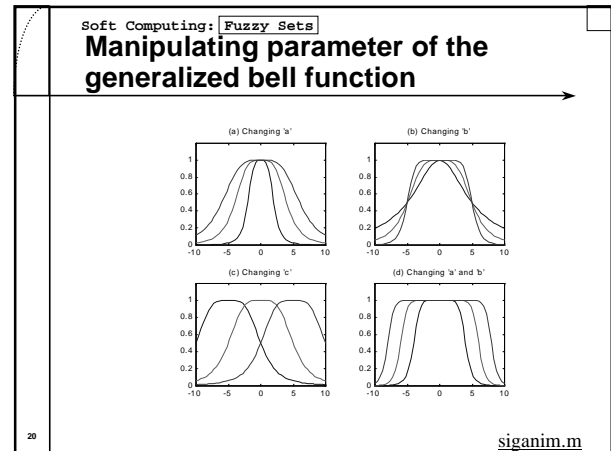
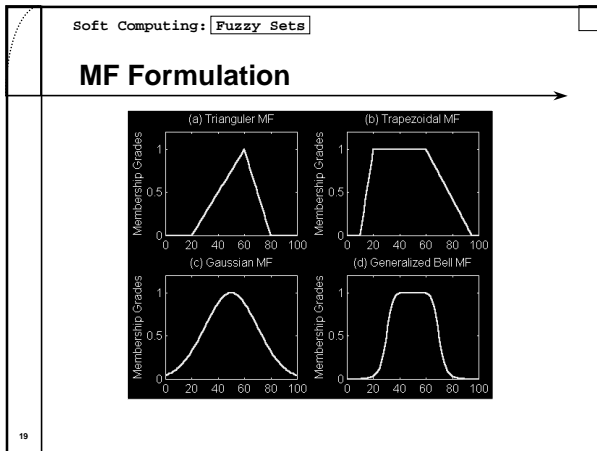
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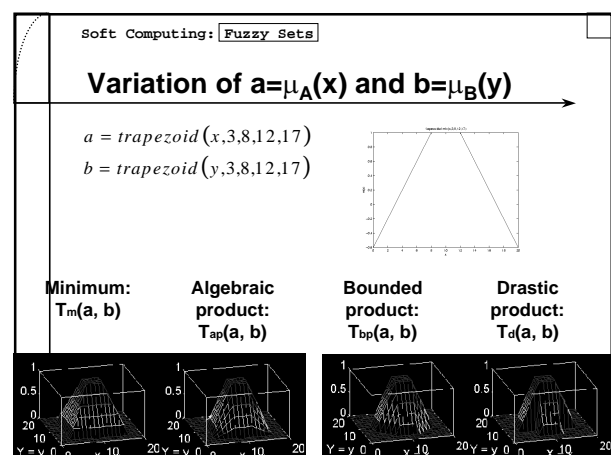
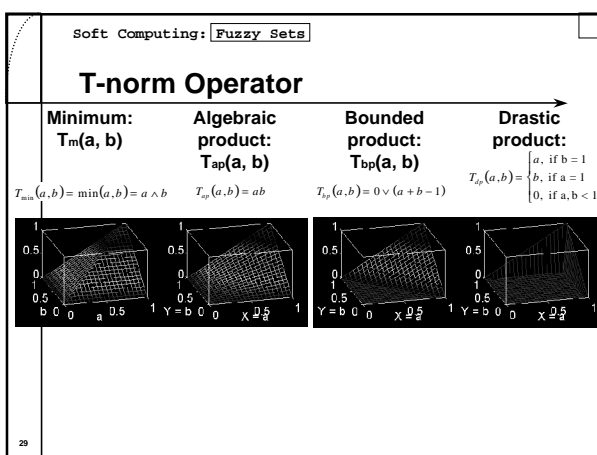
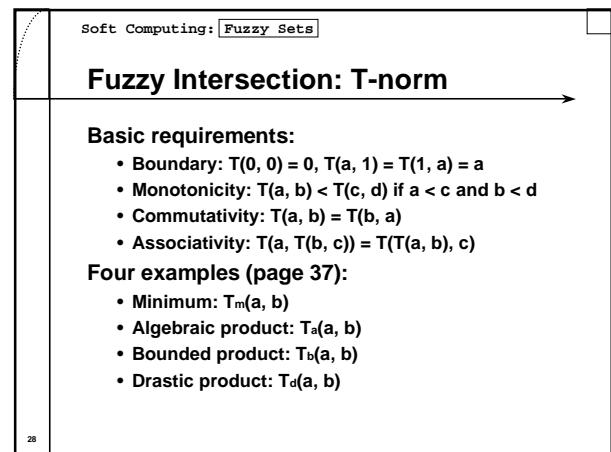
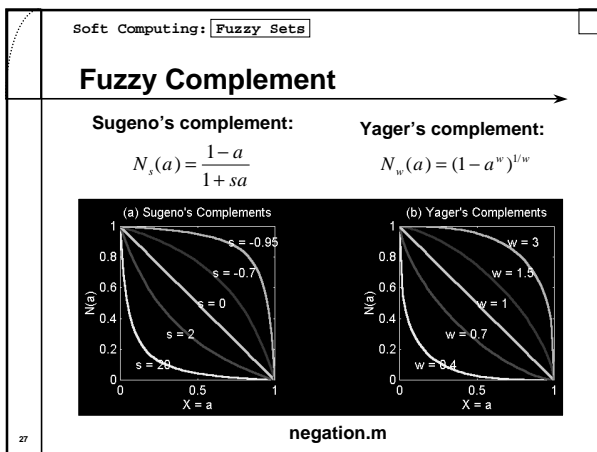
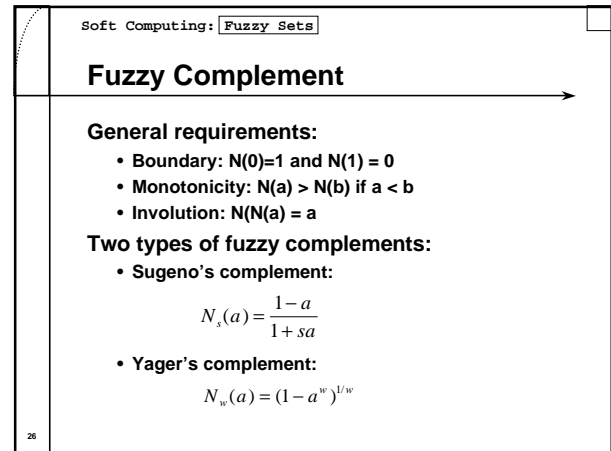
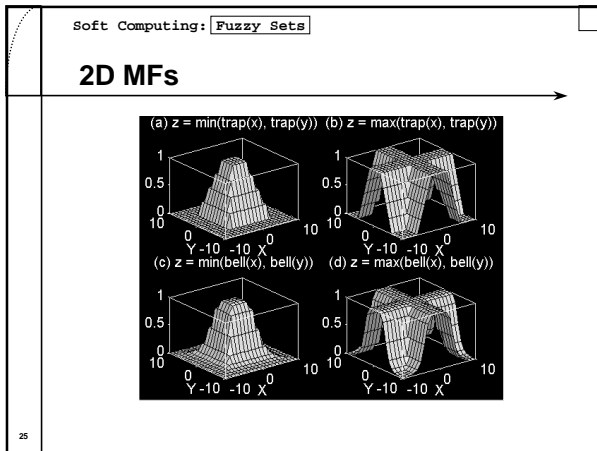
Middle Aged

Old

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Fuzzy Union: T-conorm or S-norm

Basic requirements:

- Boundary: $S(1, 1) = 1$, $S(a, 0) = S(0, a) = a$
- Monotonicity: $S(a, b) < S(c, d)$ if $a < c$ and $b < d$
- Commutativity: $S(a, b) = S(b, a)$
- Associativity: $S(a, S(b, c)) = S(S(a, b), c)$

Four examples (page 38):

- Maximum: $S_m(a, b)$
- Algebraic sum: $S_a(a, b)$
- Bounded sum: $S_b(a, b)$
- Drastic sum: $S_d(a, b)$

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T-conorm or S-norm

Maximum: $S_m(a, b)$	Algebraic sum: $S_a(a, b)$	Bounded sum: $S_b(a, b)$	Drastic sum: $S_d(a, b)$
$S_m(a, b) = \max(a, b) = a \vee b$	$S_a(a, b) = a + b - ab$	$S_b(a, b) = 1 \wedge (a + b)$	$S_d(a, b) = \begin{cases} a, & \text{if } b = 0 \\ b, & \text{if } a = 0 \\ 1, & \text{if } a, b > 0 \end{cases}$

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Variation of $a = \mu_A(x)$ and $b = \mu_B(y)$

$a = \text{trapezoid}(x, 3, 8, 12, 17)$
 $b = \text{trapezoid}(y, 3, 8, 12, 17)$

Maximum: $S_m(a, b)$	Algebraic sum: $S_a(a, b)$	Bounded sum: $S_b(a, b)$	Drastic sum: $S_d(a, b)$
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Generalized DeMorgan's Law

T-norms and T-conorms are duals which support the generalization of DeMorgan's law:

- $T(a, b) = N(S(N(a), N(b)))$
- $S(a, b) = N(T(N(a), N(b)))$

$T_m(a, b)$	\longleftrightarrow	$S_m(a, b)$
$T_a(a, b)$	\longleftrightarrow	$S_a(a, b)$
$T_b(a, b)$	\longleftrightarrow	$S_b(a, b)$
$T_d(a, b)$	\longleftrightarrow	$S_d(a, b)$

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Parameterized T-norm and S-norm

Parameterized T-norms and dual T-conorms have been proposed by several researchers:

- Yager
- Schweizer and Sklar
- Dubois and Prade
- Hamacher
- Frank
- Sugeno
- Dombi

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Summary

Basic definitions and terminology

- Fuzzy Sets (ordered pairs of variable and MF value)

MF formulation and parameterization

- MFs of one and two dimensions

Set-theoretic operations

- Union, intersection, etc.
- Generalization of intersection (AND): T-norm, e.g., "min"
- Generalization of union (OR): T-conorm, e.g., "max"

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