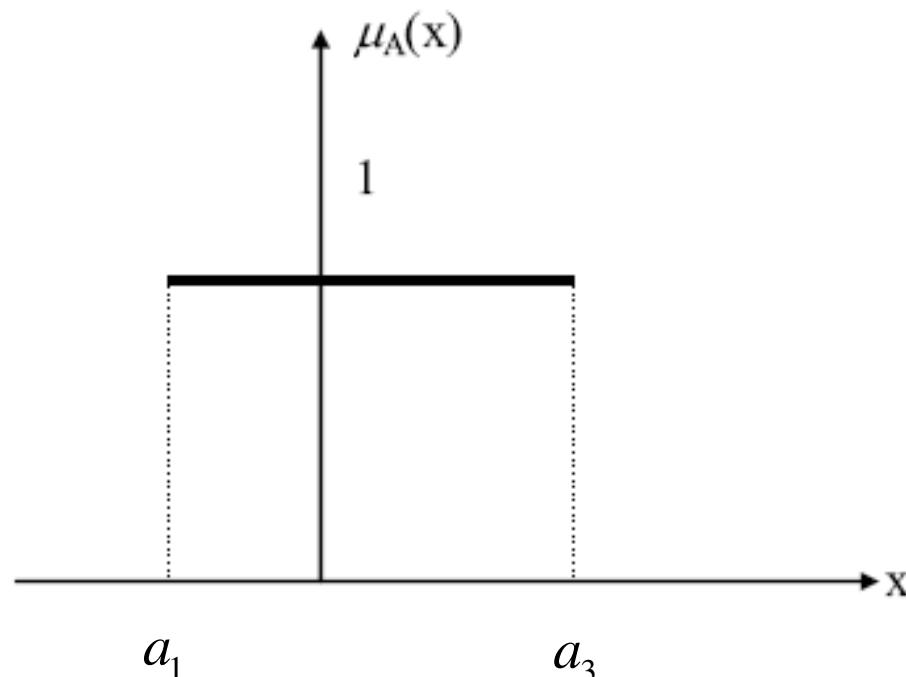


# Interval

$[a_1, a_3]$

$$\mu_A(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < a_1 \\ 1, & a_1 \leq x \leq a_3 \\ 0, & x > a_3 \end{cases}$$



## $\alpha$ -cut

$$A_\alpha = \{x \in X \mid \mu_A(x) \geq \alpha\}$$

$$A_{\alpha^+} = \{x \in X \mid \mu_A(x) > \alpha\}$$

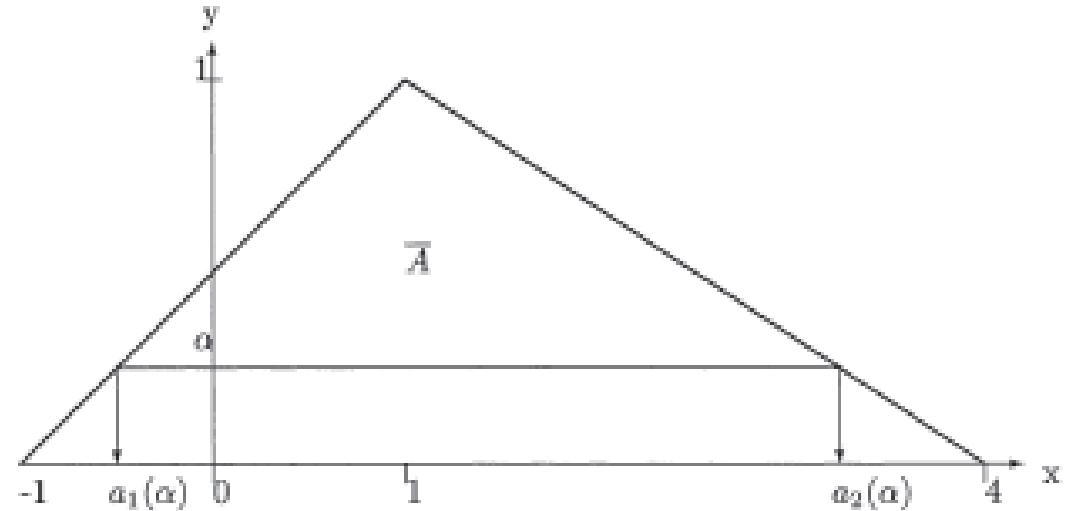


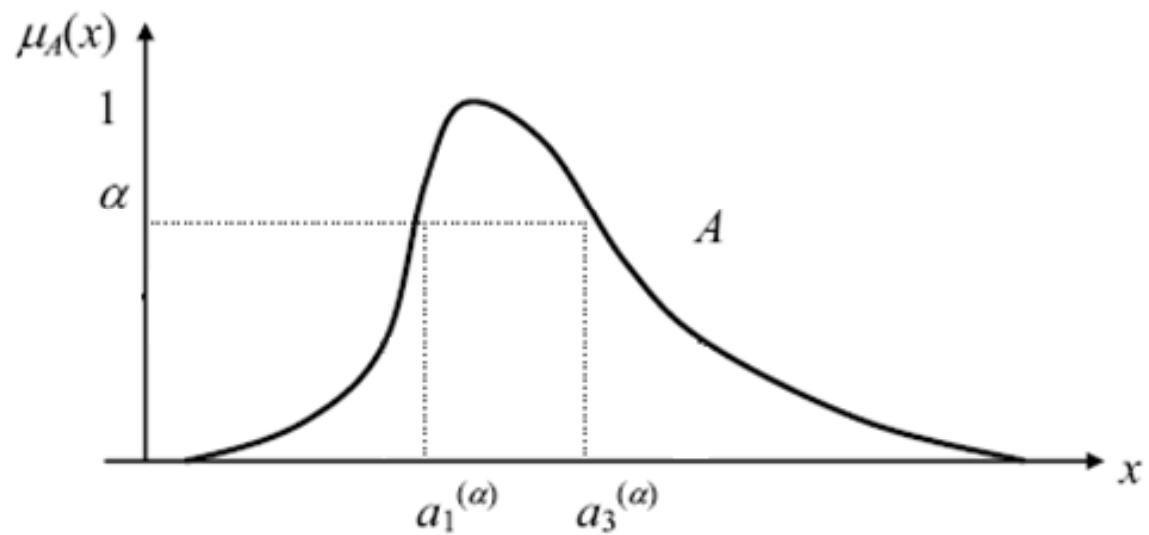
Figure 3.9: Continuous Fuzzy Set

## Definitions

$A_{0^+}$  is called the support of  $A$

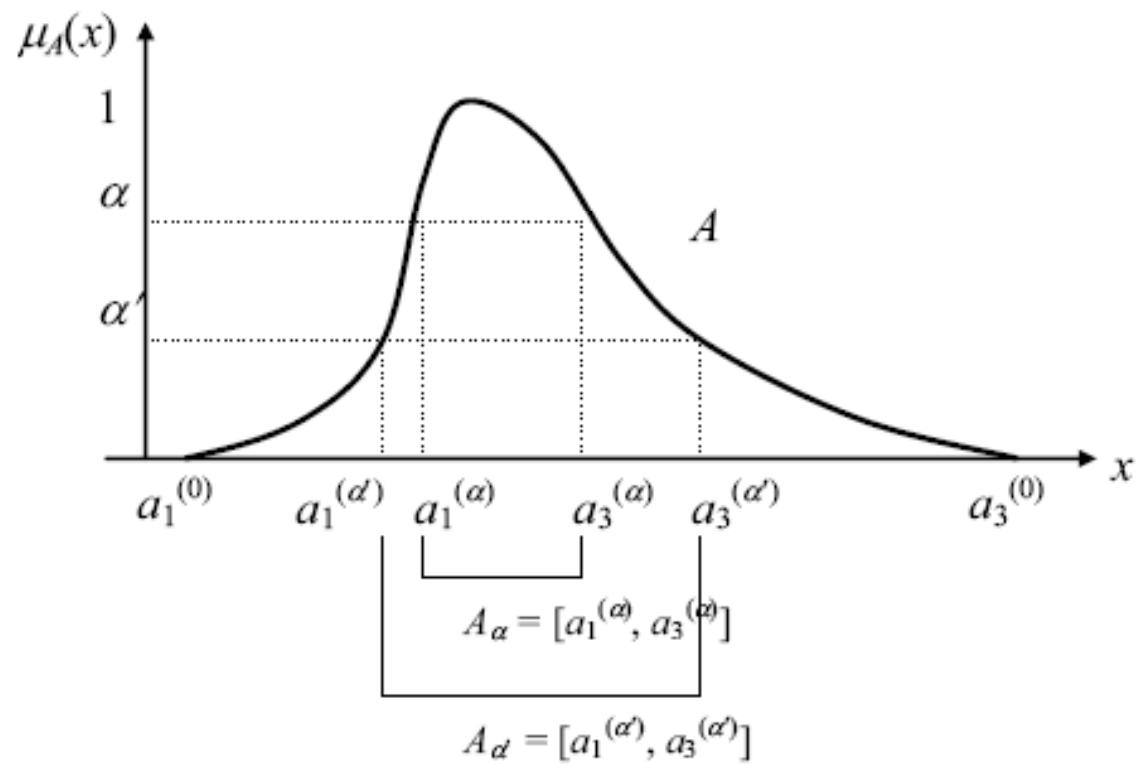
$A_1$  is called the core of  $A$

# $\alpha$ -cut



$$A_\alpha = [a_1^{(\alpha)}, a_3^{(\alpha)}]$$

# $\alpha$ -cut



## $\alpha$ -cut

In case of discrete fuzzy set

Find  $\alpha$ -cuts of

$$\overline{A} = \left\{ \frac{0}{x_1}, \frac{.7}{x_2}, \frac{1}{x_3}, \frac{.5}{x_4}, \frac{.2}{x_5} \right\},$$

where  $X = \{x_1, \dots, x_5\}$ . Then

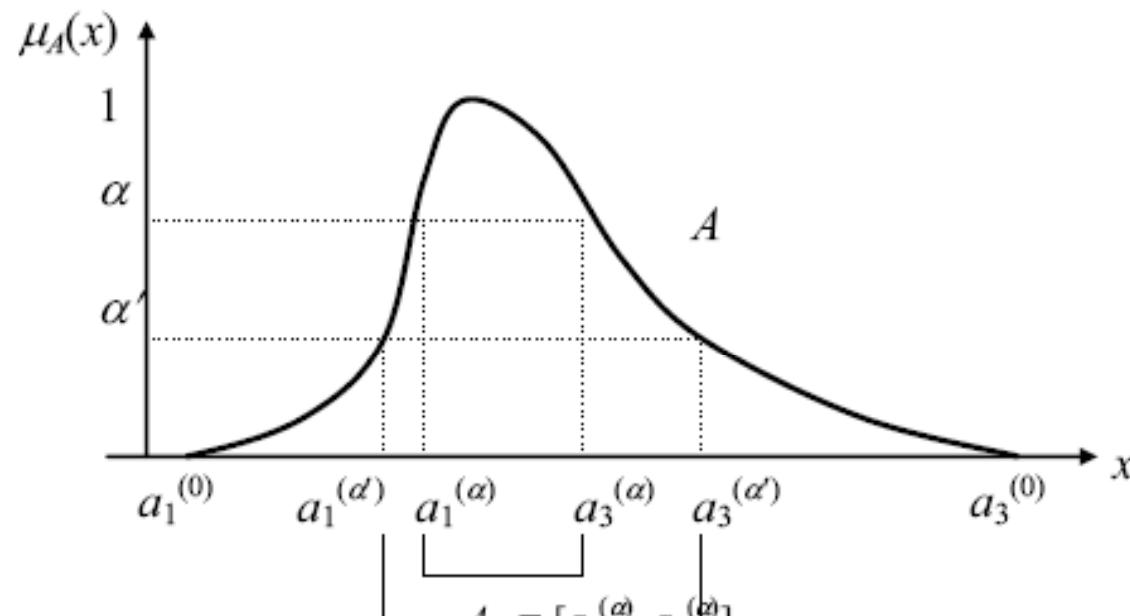
$$\overline{A}[\alpha] = \{x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5\}, 0 < \alpha \leq 0.2,$$

$$\overline{A}[\alpha] = \{x_2, x_3, x_4\}, 0.2 < \alpha \leq 0.5,$$

$$\overline{A}[\alpha] = \{x_2, x_3\}, 0.5 < \alpha \leq 0.7,$$

$$\overline{A}[\alpha] = \{x_3\}, 0.7 < \alpha \leq 1.$$

# Properties of $\alpha$ -cut



$$A_\alpha = [a_1^{(\alpha)}, a_3^{(\alpha)}]$$

$$A_{\alpha'} = [a_1^{(\alpha')}, a_3^{(\alpha')}]$$

$$(\alpha' < \alpha) \Rightarrow (a_1^{(\alpha')} \leq a_1^{(\alpha)}, a_3^{(\alpha')} \geq a_3^{(\alpha)}) \Rightarrow (A_\alpha \subset A_{\alpha'})$$

# Interval Arithmetic

$$A = [a_1, a_2], \quad B = [b_1, b_2]$$

## Interval Operations

Addition

$$[a_1, a_2] + [b_1, b_2] = [a_1 + b_1, a_2 + b_2]$$

Subtraction

$$[a_1, a_2] - [b_1, b_2] = [a_1 - b_2, a_2 - b_1]$$

Multiplication

$$[a_1, a_2] * [b_1, b_2] = [\min\{a_1b_1, a_1b_2, a_2b_1, a_2b_2\}, \max\{a_1b_1, a_1b_2, a_2b_1, a_2b_2\}]$$

Division

$$\begin{aligned} [a_1, a_2] / [b_1, b_2] &= [a_1, a_2] * [1/b_2, 1/b_1] \\ &\quad 0 \notin [b_1, b_2] \end{aligned}$$

# Examples

## Addition

$$[2,5] + [1,3] = [3,8] \quad [0,1] + [-6,5] = [-6,6]$$

## Subtraction

$$[2,5] - [1,3] = [-1,4] \quad [0,1] - [-6,5] = [-5,7]$$

## Multiplication

$$[-1,1] * [-2,-0.5] = [-2,2] \quad [3,4] * [2,2] = [6,8]$$

## Division

$$[-1,1] / [-2,-0.5] = [-2,2] \quad [4,10] * [1,2] = [2,10]$$

# Properties of Interval Operations

Commutative

$$A + B = B + A \quad A \cdot B = B \cdot A$$

Assocoative

$$(A + B) + C = A + (B + C) \quad (A \cdot B) \cdot C = A \cdot (B \cdot C)$$

Identity  $0 = [0,0]$   $1 = [1,1]$

$$A = A + 0 = 0 + A \quad A = A \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot A$$

Subdistributive

$$A \cdot (B + C) \subseteq A \cdot B + A \cdot C$$

Inverse

$$0 \in A - A \quad 1 \in A/A$$

Monotonicity for any operations \*

If  $A \subseteq E$  and  $B \subseteq F$  then  $A * B \subseteq E * F$