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Final Exam (Fall 2015) Selected topics in Artificial Intelligence (The Theory of Fuzzy Sets) COMP 792-a

Full credit is 100. Start each question in a new page. The exam is in **three** pages.

### Question (1) (25 Points) Fuzzy Sets and Fuzzy Logic:

- **A.** (14 Points) Set up your own continuous membership functions for modeling linguistic values about the temperature: "hot", "warm", and "cold". According to your definition, what is the membership function for
  - i. "warm or hot"
  - ii. "not cold"
  - iii. "warm and not cold"
- **B.** (9 Points) Consider these two fuzzy sets and *min* and *max* fuzzy set operations

$$A = \frac{0.4}{1} + \frac{0.6}{2} + \frac{0.7}{3} + \frac{0.8}{4} + \frac{1.0}{5}$$
 and  $B = \frac{0.3}{1} + \frac{0.65}{2} + \frac{0.4}{3} + \frac{0.1}{4}$ 

- a. Find the intersection of *A* and its complement. Comment on the result with respect to the difference between crisp and fuzzy sets
- b. Can the above two sets be fuzzy numbers? Why?
- c. Find the alpha-cuts of A
- **C.** (4 Points) Prove that for any fuzzy sets  $A,B \in F(X)$  on a universe of discourse X, we have

$$(A \land B^c) \lor (A^c \land B) \ge 0.5 \land (A \lor B) \land (A^c \lor B^c)$$

Where B<sup>c</sup> is the complement of B.

# **Question (2) (25 points) T-Norm and Conorm:**

- i. Given any *t-norm* T and *t-conorm* S, is it necessary to have T(x,0)=0 and S(x,1)=1, for all  $x \in [0,1]$ ? why?
- ii. Show that the algebraic product T(x,y) = xy, and the algebraic sum S(x,y) = x+y-xy are *t-norm* and *t-conorm*.
- iii. Decide whether, they (in ii) form DeMorgan triplet together with the standard negation.
- iv. According to the definition in (ii) , determine if the following are true or false i. S(A, T(B,C)) = T(S(A,B), S(A,C))

ii. 
$$S(A, T(A,B)) = A$$

- v. Let *T* be a *t*-norm such that T(a,b+c)=T(a,b)+T(a,c) for all  $a,b,c \in [0,1]$ ,  $b+c \le 1$ . Show that *T* must be the algebraic product defined in (ii).
- vi. For any *t-norm* T and *t-conorm* S, we have  $T(x,y) \ge x \land y$  and  $S(x,y) \ge x \lor y$
- vii. Show that the *t-norm* in (ii) is not idemponent (T(a,a)=a). For extra credit, show that the only idemponent *t-norm* is the standard one (min).
- viii. According to the above, comment of the popularity of the definitions in (ii) compared with the standard ones (min and max ones).

#### Question (3) (20 points) Algebraic properties:

**A.** Let A and B be two fuzzy sets defined on X such that

$$A(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < 2, \\ \frac{x - 2}{5} & 2 \le x < 7, \\ \frac{10 - x}{3} & 7 \le x < 10 \\ 0 & 10 \le x \end{cases} \qquad B(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < 3, \\ x - 3 & 2 \le x < 4, \\ 1 & 4 \le x < 5, \\ \frac{7 - x}{2} & 5 \le x < 7, \\ 0 & 7 \le x, \end{cases}$$

And consider the fuzzy implications

$$I_1(x, y) = \max\{1 - x, y\}, \qquad I_2(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \le y, \\ y & y < x \end{cases}$$

- a. Choose one of the above implications to calculate and graph.
- b. Does any of them reduces to the crisp (Boolean) implication (show that)?
- c. According to your Boolean background, which one of them is closer to the Boolean one?
- d. Why does the implication function needs to decreasing in its first variable and increasing in its second variable?
- e. If *I* is a fuzzy implication, what can you say about *I*', defined by  $I'(x,y)=I(\sim y, \sim x)$

#### **Question (4) (15 points) Fuzzy Numbers and Interval Arithmetic:**

A. (3 points) Calculate the following

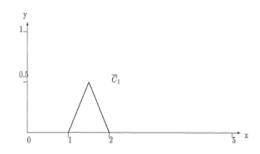
- i. [-2,4]-[3,6]
- ii. [-3,4]\*[-3,4]
- iii. [-4,6]/[1,2]

**B.** (12 points) Determine which fuzzy sets defined here are fuzzy numbers. If it is not a fuzzy number, explain why.

*i.* 
$$A = \frac{0.4}{1} + \frac{0.6}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4}$$

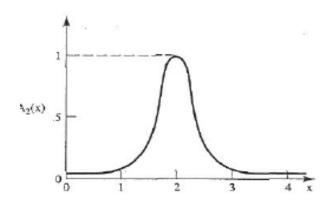
ii. 
$$A(x) = \begin{cases} \sin(x) & 0 \le x \le \pi, \\ 0 & otherwise \end{cases}$$

iii.



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iv.



$$v. \qquad B(x) = \begin{cases} x & 0 \le x \le 1, \\ 0 & otherwise \end{cases}$$

vi. 
$$C(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 \le x \le 10, \\ 0 & otherwise \end{cases}$$

## **Question (5) (15 points) Extension Principle:**

- **A.** (5 points) Explain the importance and the limitations of the Extension Principle in the theory of fuzzy sets. And explain how can we overcome its limitations.
- **B.** (10 points) Consider the following two fuzzy numbers  $A = \{ 1/2, 0.5/3 \}, B = \{ 1/3, 0.8/4 \}$  Add them using the alpha-cuts and the extension principle, then comment on your answer.

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