

# Mathematics for Informatics

Fuzzy Logic  
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There is a bijection between sets and characteristic functions, so we identify each set with its characteristic function.

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For every element  $x \in X$ , the **degree of membership** of  $x$  to  $A$  is given by  $\mu_A(x) \in [0, 1]$ .

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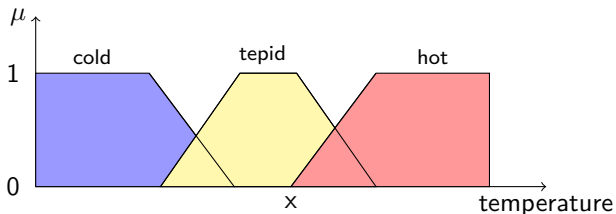
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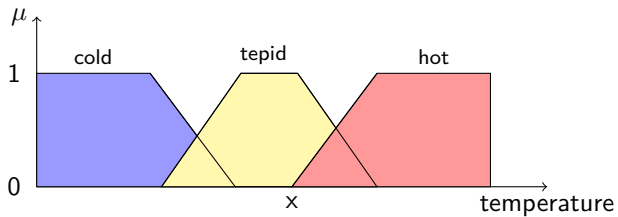
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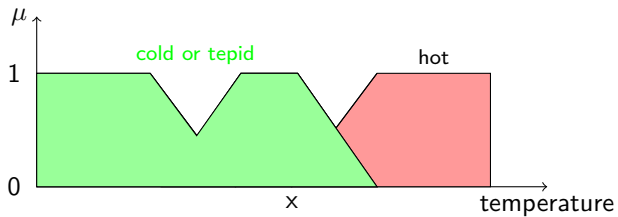
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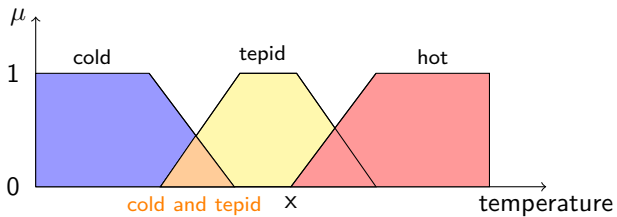
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We can extend the second definition to membership functions and obtain another definition of union and intersection of fuzzy sets.  
We shall do this in a more general fashion.

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If we have intersection and complement, we define union by  $A \cup B = (A^c \cap B^c)^c$   
(De Morgan's laws).

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In fuzzy logic, to interpret such implications, we consider “the water is cold” and “my shower is bad” as fuzzy sets and we decide using an **implication** function

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This is sometimes called **approximate reasoning**.

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## Examples:

- (i) **Mamdani**:  $I(x, y) = \min \{x, y\}$  (this fails item 3, but usually in knowledge systems we are not interested in rules where the antecedent part is false),
- (ii) **Willmott**:  $I(x, y) = \max \{1 - x, \min \{x, y\}\}$ ,
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1. Measure the input variables, i.e., the temperature  $x_0 \in X$ .
2. Transform the measured values into fuzzy sets: we have fuzzy sets with constant membership functions  $\mu_{cold}(x_0)$ ,  $\mu_{tepid}(x_0)$ , and  $\mu_{hot}(x_0)$ .
3. Apply all the rules: we obtain 3 *control* fuzzy sets
  - $\mu_{r_1}(y) = I(\mu_{cold}(x_0), \mu_{bad}(y))$ ,
  - $\mu_{r_2}(y) = I(\mu_{tepid}(x_0), \mu_{good}(y))$ ,
  - $\mu_{r_3}(y) = I(\mu_{hot}(x_0), \mu_{bad}(y))$ .
4. Aggregate the control fuzzy sets into one fuzzy set  $C$ .
5. Defuzzify  $C$  to obtain the output value  $c \in Y$ .

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A usual choice is Gödel t-norm and Mamdani for implication, union for aggregation, and a defuzzification by center of gravity:

$$y_0 = \frac{\int_Y y \mu_C(y) dy}{\int_Y \mu_C(y) dy}$$

(or replace by sums if  $Y$  is discrete).

(See full example in tutorial.)